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Students use passing periods to go to their lockers.
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NOTHING else MATTERS



Nothing else matters. It's Friday night, time for senior Brian Biggs to inspire the crowds during the football home opener against Central. Despite Biggs' best efforts, the Bulldogs, ranked #5, lost to the sixth rated Eagles, 12-7. (photo by Cherie Connors)

NOTHING else MATTERS

Jeff Jorgensen

Reality hit us right in the face as our alarms sounded with the sunrise for the first time in months on Aug. 25. Nothing else mattered as our lazy summer days were history and so were our hopes of getting a heat day.

The parking lot was packed by 7:30 a.m., and for those who slept in, a long walk from Burke Boulevard to the front doors greeted them. Once inside the doors, we found our friends and relived our summers until the sound of a doorbell over the recently updated intercom system reminded us why we were here. This sound was the new one-minute-left-of-passing chime which aimed to cut down student tardies.

Homeroom lasted for over two hours while we filled out endless sheets of personal information. Before homeroom was over, we had gotten our locker numbers, chosen our year-long partner, received our "personal code" for the lunchline, and found out who would share our lunch hour.

allying the crowd during the Westside game, the Varsity and JV cheerleaders do their best to keep the crowd involved in the game. The Bulldogs won the defensive struggle, 8-0, the first Bulldog victory against the Warriors in four years.
photo by Mark Ward)





unning ahead of the pack, freshman Stephanie Diamantis and junior Keri Eberhardt keep their stride during the Kansas University Invitational. The Girls Cross Country team qualified for the State Cross Country meet. (photo by Mike Mingo)



eadying for Day 2, students carry their newly covered books into school. Most students had a hard time adjusting to the routine of being in class by 7:45 a.m. and not leaving the building until at least 2:01 p.m. (photo by Cherie Connors)

iding on their first float, the Freshmen, dressed in '50s garb, don't even notice the drizzle and falling temperatures. Red, royal blue, green and yellow were the colors chosen by Student Government to go with the theme "Caribbean Cruise." (photo by Ann Manchester)



NOTHING ELSE MATTERS

olling out a banner before a home Varsity football game, junior Heather O'Gara asks a friend how it looks. Cheerleaders decorated the stadium before every game. (photo by Cherie Connors)



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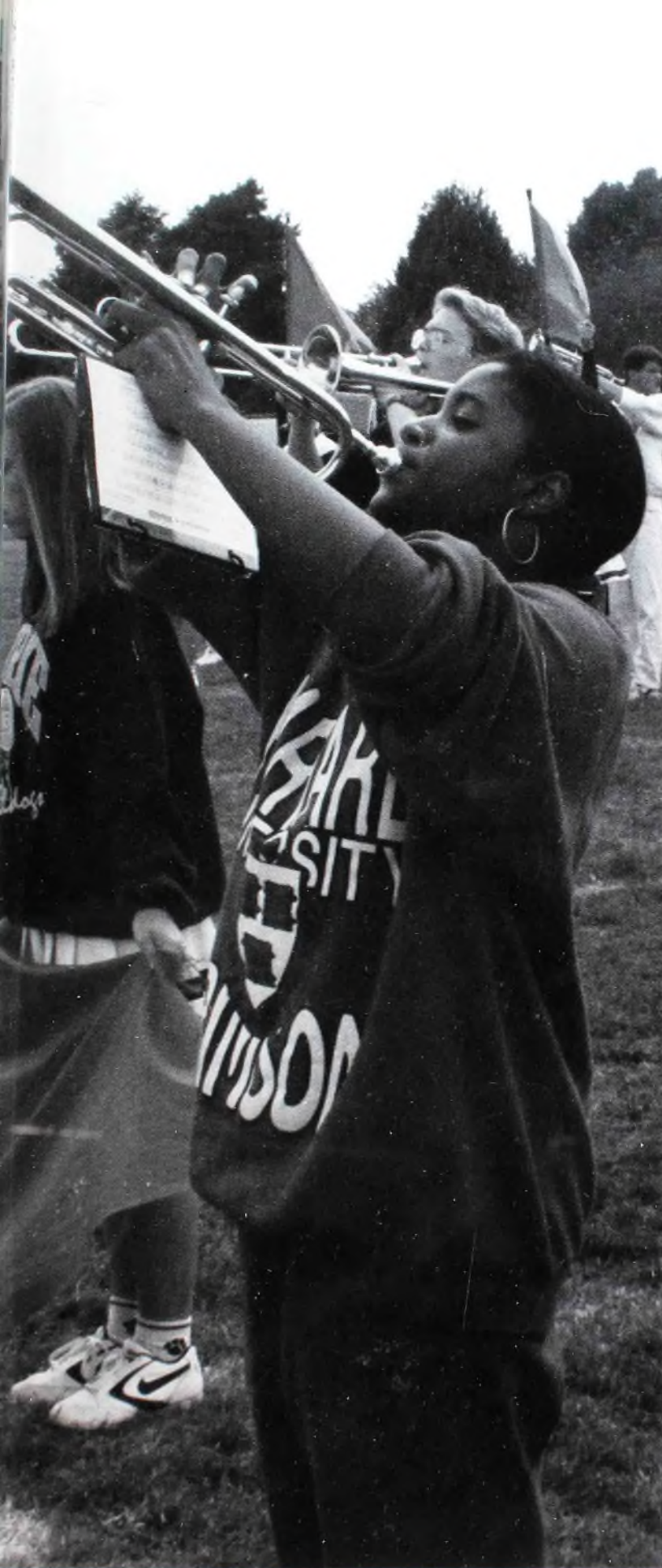
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outines were quickly established. After homeroom, all morning classes met for 20 minutes. It took little time to get used to the class pattern: get a book, fill out a book card, fill out a personal information card, read over the class syllabus, get our first assignment.

By fifth hour, most of us had discovered the vivarium's newest addition, Monty the python, and we were ready to tackle the computerized lunch line. Nothing else mattered as we rushed to the cafeteria to find our friends, and sat in the usual places. Seniors congregated in the north cafeteria, juniors in the middle, and the underclassman sat on the south side.

After lunch, the day flew. When the dismissal bell rang at 2:50, we were surprised and hurried home. At home, we started our first assignment of the new year, covering those books, and began the countdown. There were only 32 weeks and 174 days left until next summer break.





aising her trumpet during an 8th hour practice for the half time show, sophomore Jaime Ross concentrates on her counts. The half time show was from *Les Miserables*. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Rather than going to Target, junior Kevin Berthelsen stops at the Bookstore for a book cover before heading to his homeroom. Besides school supplies, students could also buy Activity Cards and pay class fees at the Bookstore. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Rebuilding the baseball field means getting up early on Saturday morning for junior Ricky Murillo, Chris Minardi and Mr. Saathoff. Players and coaches spent endless hours repairing the outdated field. (photo by Cherie Connors)



MATTER OF

LIFE

As school commenced, gone were the lazy summer days. Students could no longer sleep until noon, catch their favorite soap, run to the pool to fight off the heat, come home for a quick bite, then take off for a fun-filled night of excitement in the greater metropolis of Omaha.

You're never home anymore! This statement was commonly heard coming from parents. For most students, finding free time to spend with the family was impossible while balancing their jobs, school work, and social lives.

Homecoming was a major part of most students' lives. The Caribbean Cruise theme provided a colorful background for a great celebration. Most students went into a frenzy around Homecoming time. For the girls, finding the perfect dress was a matter of life and death. For the guys, their only worry was to see if they could find a date before all of the girls were asked. After homecoming was over, time seemed to fly.

The fall months were gone before we knew it and the second semester was here. During the long winter months, we focused on the next break to keep from going crazy. Breaks were key in keeping us happy. We could go shopping at the mall, go on vacation, or just hang out with our friends.

When there was no break in sight, and we thought we were going to die, we lived from weekend to weekend. This was the time to forget about all of school's stresses and do something like cheer on the basketball team or see the newest movie.

Nothing else mattered when spring finally arrived. Finding an excuse to get out into the warming weather wasn't so difficult. Homework became a second priority as we could play sand volleyball, softball, or get an early start on a summer tan. If there was one thing a student learned all year, it was that there was more to life than studying.

by
Jeff
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At the first basketball game of the year, junior Pom members Cari Perlmeter, Becky Cerveny and Carla Mackie cheer on the Bulldogs. Pom Squad performed at home games. (photo by Cheri Connors)

After a week of two-day practices, senior Scott Newland enjoys another piece of watermelon. The Watermelon Feed marked the end of pre-season practice. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)



Another dunk by senior Ben Ebong brings the crowd to its feet at the Burke vs. Bellevue West basketball game. Ebong scored 32 points to lead the Bulldogs to victory in the season opener. (photo by Cheri Connors)

Rush hour

Getting out the door on time

SARAH BAKER

The alarm goes off and it's too early in the morning for anyone to be getting up. You drag yourself out of bed and get into the shower. It's just another day for the average student.

"The hardest thing for me to do in the mornings is to get up," sophomore Abby Rogers said. "I have to get up at 5:30 because I have zero hour chemistry."

Getting up early was a big complaint of students with and without a zero hour class. Arriving at school before the sun was even thinking about breaking out was not tops on

too many students' lists. "I have to be at my early morning swim practices at 5:15 a.m.," sophomore Amy Isaacson said. "It's way too early."

Just getting everything done in the hour or so between climbing out of bed and leaving the front door was nearly impossible for some students. "The biggest problem I have in the morning is leaving my house on time," sophomore Michelle Vankat said. "My hair is never done, my shoes are never on, and my ride is honking her horn in the driveway."

Students with cars had other problems. "In icy, bad weather, scrapping your windows is really bad," junior Eva Arant said.

Figuring out exactly how you were going to get to school each day caused some stress. "Depending on if my sister was sick or busy, she takes me to school," sophomore Leigh Wehner said. "If she is sick, I must be dropped off by the "Drug-Free Zone" sign by my mother in her nightgown in my family's lovely mini-van. How embarrassing!"

As if combating the elements with eyes half opened was not enough, once students got to Burke Boulevard, their problems were sometimes just beginning.

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"The hardest thing for me to do in the morning is to get myself together.

Some mornings I wake up late and I feel like I'm going crazy to get myself ready to walk out the door."

Shelli Martin, freshman



"Mornings aren't much trouble for me. My alarm clock goes off at 6:20. I leave

around seven and still have time to eat breakfast. The only problem I have is shutting off my alarm clock."

Brandon Walker, senior





With sophomore Dan Reagan looking over his shoulder, freshman Lance Baker uses Newsbank to do some research before school. The library was open before and after school for student use. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Seniors Kasey Brandt, Shirley Zimmerman, Jenny Kelley and Amy Gunn meet in the cafeteria before school to make weekend plans. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Before heading to homeroom, students grab books out of their lockers. To help students avoid tardies, a one-minute warning chime was used. (photo by Cherie Connors)



After homeroom on the first day of school, students head off to meet their teachers and to see who's in their classes. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Even though it's still dark, senior Brian Biggs is in the library finishing his math assignment. Busy students had to make use of every minute. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Gone away

Vacations used to hit road

JILL HARRINGTON

How was your trip?" was a common question for those getting back home. Students traveled all over with friends, youth groups, family, and for few, with foreign exchange programs. Many went with their parents.

"I like traveling with my parents," freshman Stephanie Diamantis said. "They're not as strict as at home."

Some students went away for some rest and relaxation. Cabins and vacation resorts like Lake of the Ozarks and Lake Okoboji were favorites. Swimming, boating, or just lounging in the sun were popular ways to waste away the days.

Sophomore Mike Feber described parasailing in the Lake of the Ozarks as "skiing in the air."

Greg Norris, a sophomore, said he enjoyed his

trip to his grandparents' ranch in Wyoming. "It was kind of fun because we got to do some stuff you can't do in the city," he said, "like marksmanship, and I got to see a lot of different types of animals."

Not all trips offered students an escape. Some trips were for a purpose. Junior Jaime Olsen went to Mexico with her youth group to build houses for the people there.

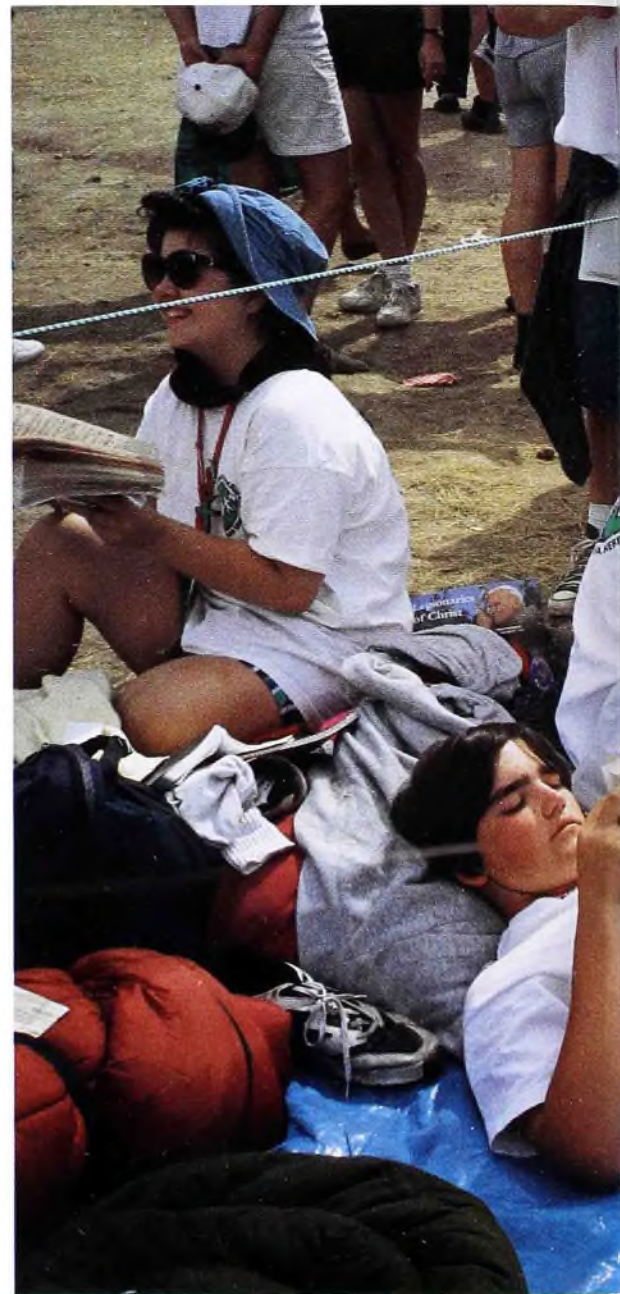
"There were all these little shacks," she said. "You'd have to go to see what it's like."

Students that went to Germany over the summer had a memorable experience.

"We stayed three weeks at a host family's house and went to school for one week with the exchange student," senior Jonie Pagel said. "It was a good experience because we could compare it to our society. I'd like to go back."

When Pope John Paul II went to Denver over the summer hundreds of thousands of people went to greet him, including sophomore Cherie Connors.

"It was unbelievably crowded. People were dropping everywhere with heat stroke and only 30,000 people made the five mile hike to a state park called Cherry Creek," she recalled. "I met so many people from all over the world. The whole experience was memorable."



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"I went to Guatemala with my youth group. We went to help build a church

down there, and we told people about the hope Jesus can offer them."

Mark Arant, junior



"Our trip to Kansas City was a lot of fun. We went to Worlds of Fun and a

Royals baseball game. It was relaxing to get some time off and get a break."

Kelly Horbach, freshman



Sophomore Kelly, Kim, '91, and sophomore Jon Broder enter the Western Wall in Jerusalem, Israel. The Broders had visited Israel the summer before, too. (photo courtesy of Jon Broder)



During summer break, sophomore Mike Ferber drives a boat on the Lake of the Ozarks. Ferber did a lot of skiing and parasailing over the summer before, too. (photo by Michael Ferber)



While in Berlin, seniors Lisa Jensen and Jessica Chandler pause by a Traubi car. (photo by Alison Horbach)



Seniors Steve Saylor and Jeff Jorgensen enjoy canoeing down a river in Braunschweig, Germany. Twelve Burke students made the trip to Germany. (photo by Jessica Chandler)

After staking out his spot for the Pope's speech, senior Matt Nelson lays down to read a book. Nelson was one of thousands of youths who went to Denver to see the Pope in August. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Time out

Weekends used for a break

SUSAN DAHLQUIST

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hether we spent our weekdays studying, working or sleeping, everyone looked forward to the weekend, those few jam-packed hours away from the daily routine of school.

"I work and then I go out with my

friends," junior Beth Dye said. "We drive around and hang out at each other's houses."

If there was a game, most students at least made an appearance and tried to "Support those Dawgs!"

"On Friday nights I go to football or basketball games with my friends and then drive around and look for something to do," sophomore Stacey Hanselman said. "On Saturday mornings I usually have practice, then I go home and sleep. At night we go out."

Movies, parties, and eating out were not only the most popular dating rituals, but were also common things to do with friends. "I go to T.G.I. Friday's with my friends to see a waiter named Rich," said junior Missy Heckenlively.

Unless there was a major research paper due very soon, as in Monday morning, most students reserved Saturday as a day to do what they wanted, not what they should.

"On Saturdays, I hang out with my friends, and try to forget about school," junior Summer Brown. If students spent Saturday working, Sunday was their day to do it all.

No matter how we spent the rest of our weekend, nearly all of us spent Sunday night the same way—stressed out doing homework. And most of us stayed up much too late, so that Monday morning found us counting down to the weekend, a time when we could catch up on our sleep.

At a holiday party, sophomores Jenny Knihal, Cherie Connors, Jill Harrington, and junior Susan Bokelmann watch *America's Funniest Home Videos*. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)



On a Saturday in October, seniors Jenny Bonge, Noelle Sherrets, junior Nick Eastland and senior Jenny Lydick go horseback riding at Shady Lanes. (photo by Noelle Sherrets)



At a Yearbook staff party, sophomores Sarah Baker and Jill Harrington enjoy a game of pinball. (photo by Cherie Connors)



At the Third Annual Stu Pospisal Quill and Scroll Golf Invitational, junior Stephanie DePorte tries to show senior Sari Gilinsky how to hold her club. (photo by Mark Ward)

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"I go to the games and go out with my friends afterwards."

During the days I usually have to work at Garden Cafe or I catch up on my sleep."
Debbie Givner, junior



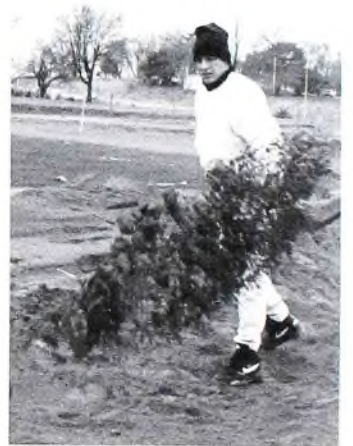
"I usually go out on the weekends with my friends. We

mess around and most of the time just go and hang out at each other's houses."
Aaron Shefren, sophomore



Before the KU Invite, members of the Boys Cross Country Team get last minute instructions from Coach Mike Mingo. After the meet, the boys attended the Kansas University football game. (Bill Scarborough)

After a hard week of school, senior Matt Waller helps his dad build their new house. Nearly three-fourths of the student body had some type of part-time job. (photo by Jennifer Paskach)



Early one fall Saturday morning, junior Mike Hermesen helps work on the baseball field. Parents, students and coaches put in many weekend hours upgrading the field. (photo by Cherie Connors)

At a Saturday morning Omaha Youth Symphony practice, sophomore Stacy Domnanish concentrates on her counting. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Spirit Cheerleaders sophomore Kristian McComb, Sabrina Moody and Kerry Schmidt decorate the hall near the cafeteria. Cheerleaders decorated the school 8th hour and after school. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Students mill around before the Thursday night pep rally begins. The evening pep rally featured performances by the cheerleaders, pompon squad and the announcement of the Varsity football team. (photo by Courtney Johnson)

Despite the falling temperatures, strong winds and drizzle, Spanish Club members' spirits remain high. Senior Al Totilas drove the float. (photo by Ann Manchester)

Seniors dressed in '60s garb get their float organized before the parade begins. The parade began

at 5 p.m. was organized by Student Government. (photo by Ann Manchester)



Juniors Randy Romanik, Jena Seitzinger and Danny Cohn find sheets aren't quite warm enough. (photo by Ann Manchester)



After school, Varsity Cheerleaders and senior Pom Squad members decorate the main stairs.

Streamers, balloons and posters gave the school a festive feel. (photo by Courtney Johnson)





Before school, senior Jill Wehner gets a new hairdo compliments of senior Laura Sides. The girls were dressed as hippies for the senior

Traditions

Old ways take on new twists

SARAH BAKER

Traditions with a twist could have been the homecoming theme, but it wasn't. The basic elements of the traditional homecoming celebration were there - the Thursday decorating and evening rally, the parade, the game, and of course the weeks of planning by Student Government members. But there was a twist.

Instead of kicking off the weekend's festivities with the usual Thursday night bonfire, a pep rally was held in the stadium. Some students called it the bonfire without the fire.

Student Government members sold 25-cent tickets to the Thursday night event, with the proceeds going to Make-a-Wish.

The hallway decorating even took on a twist. The cheerleaders and pom-pom members began decorating during their 8th hour class, so students got a glimpse of what they would see on Friday morning as they left.

"The decorating was a lot of fun," sophomore Corie Geller said. "It set the mood for the great homecoming weekend ahead."

After almost a full week of gorgeous weather, it was almost predictable. On Friday, the day of the parade, it was rainy and cold. Of course the rain was on-again, off-again, so a decision about whether to hold the parade was held off until 4 p.m. Naturally, at 4:10, the temperature dropped and the rain began. But the parade went on. New guidelines greeted parade participants. Gone were the junkers, here were the teacher supervised floats. To have a float in the parade, students needed to find a teacher sponsor and have all decorations and plans approved. Students who wanted to ride on the float had to buy a \$2 ticket, with a maximum of 25 students per flatbed. The money was used to decorate the floats.

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"Homecoming was really fun. My date was great. It took me a while, but I eventually found a really awesome dress. I would love to go again."

Dana Votava, sophomore



"Homecoming was a lot of fun. It was different than I had expected it to be. It was really cool because I was homecoming royalty and Burke paid for my tuxedo."

M.J. Kratina, freshman

Senior Prince Cedric Welch and Princess Kristin Jenkins pose for royalty pictures. King Mark Nielsen and Queen Jaime Zuhlke watch. (photo by John Jorgensen)



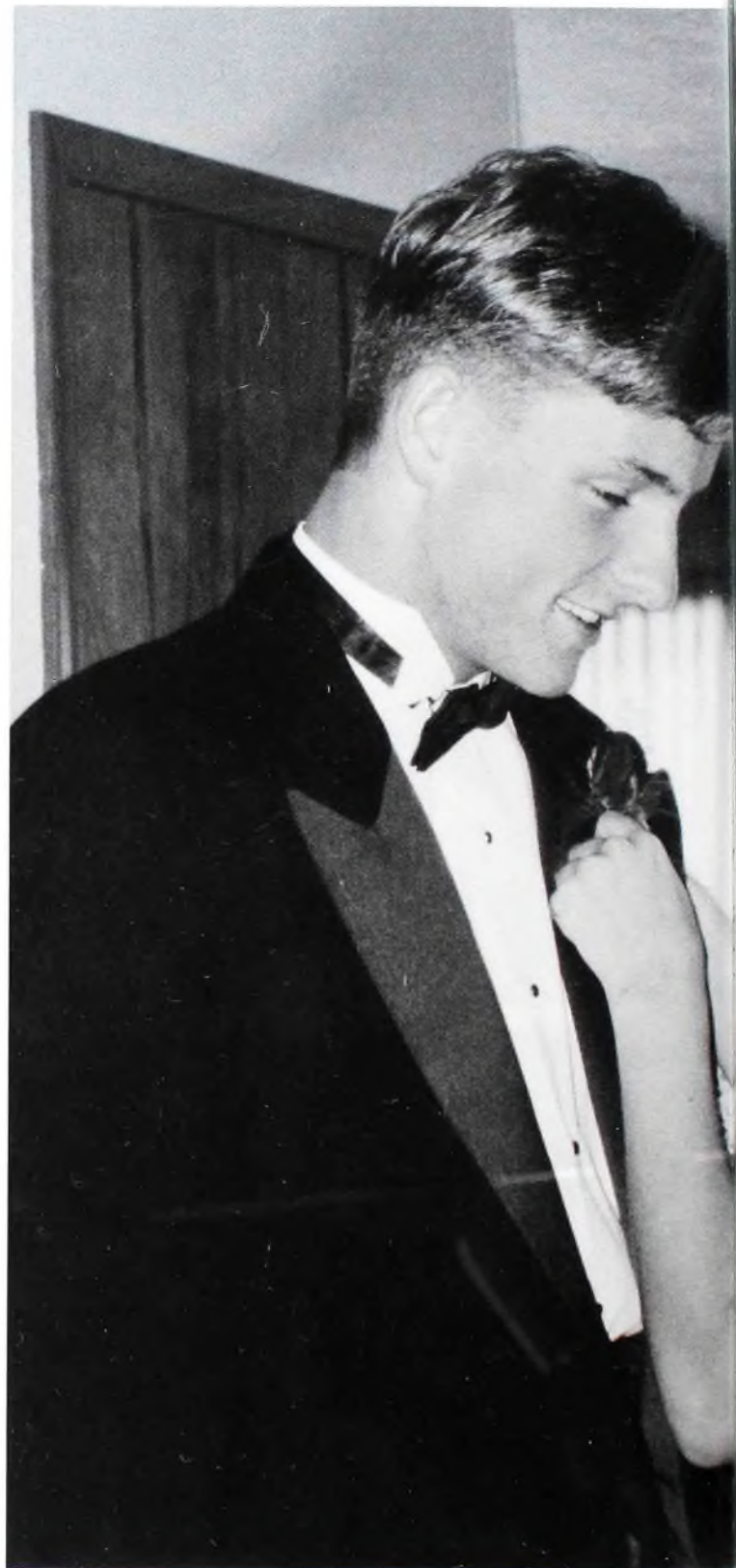
As Suzanne Horbach pins on a boutonniere, senior Alison Horbach and sophomore Shannon Horbach put on their shoes. (photo by Larry Horbach)



Student Government members work together to blow up balloons for Saturdays decorating. (photo by Allison Gutnik)



As a friend pins on her dates' boutonniere, seniors Christy Urosevich and Sarah Fredstrom laugh at her foibles. After pictures, they dined at Claudia's. (photo by Julia Jorgensen)





On his way to pick up his Homecoming date, senior Jeff Jorgensen pauses for a photo. (photo by Julia Jorgensen)

Junior Ben Titus watches as his date, senior Courtney Johnson pins his boutonniere on. (photo by Sandra Johnson)



Cruise ship

Anticipated night arrives

JILL HARRINGTON



Oct. 9 seemed to last forever. When the evening finally came, we realized that at the last minute we weren't ready. This was the story for most students who bought tickets for the Caribbean Cruise.

Preparations for the big fall event began weeks ahead of time. "It took a couple months to prepare, we had a meeting in the summer and just threw out ideas," quoted junior Meredith Witt, "We picked the one that would be the easiest."

Red, blue, green, and yellow were the colors decorators used to transform the gym and auditorium. "We decorated Friday after school and Saturday morning from 8 to 12," sophomore Jenny Knihal explained. "I guess we spent about

12 hours decorating for the dance and the coronation."

Even those not involved in Student Government had to plan ahead. Getting a date for the big event took some arranging.

"I asked her and then she laughed at me," junior Ryan Haag said. "I think her friend told her I was serious. Then she said yes."

The next hurdle many had to face was pinning a corsage or boutonniere on their date.

"I kept thinking I was gonna poke him," sophomore Jenny Rowedder said. "It took me forever to get it on, and after pictures were over, we realized that it was upside down."

Some got over their anxiety with practice.

"My date didn't have any trouble putting on my boutonniere," freshman Cory Itkin said. "She said she practiced all day on her brother."

After pictures and dinner, it was time to head for the dance and the 10 p.m. coronation.

Crowned King and Queen were seniors Mark Nielsen and Jaime Zuhlke. Senior prince and princess were Cedric Welch and Kristen Jenkins. Michael Croom and Tina Cruz were junior prince and princess.

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"It was fun! It really surprised me because it was a lot more fun than

I thought it would be. Maybe it was because I was older and knew a lot more people."
Contessa Kellog-senior



"I decorated for cheerleading and it was a lot of work but it was worth it in the end because the

school looked great and it promoted school spirit. I had a great time and I'll probably never forget it."
Laurie Epstein-sophomore

Algernon

Mouse steals Friday's show

JILL HARRINGTON

They say working with animals and children is challenging, and the cast of *Flowers for Algernon* found out just how true that was. "Working with the mice was pretty hard because you never knew how they were gonna be. There was the good mouse and the bad mouse that bit me in dress rehearsal," senior Brian Biggs, who played Charlie Gordon said. "Sean (little Charlie) was probably the best actor. He learned all his lines in one day."

The cast began preparing for the show at the end of September, directed by Greg Doty. "We rehearsed every day after school until 5:30 p.m. for about five weeks," senior Matt

Nelson said. "I really felt the audience enjoyed the play even though there wasn't that much comedy."

Being involved in the Fall Play meant more than memorizing lines, it also meant building sets and gathering props.

"The set took a lot of work because there were a lot of platforms," sophomore Lights Crew Chief Mike Dworak said. "There was also a lot of scenery to paint."

After all the hard work, it was time for the show. The cast performed for the students on November 4th. Evening performances were on the 5th and 6th at 7:30 p.m.

"When I got most nervous, was when the house lights went down and it got really quiet," senior Christine Quirk said. "But as soon as I got on the stage, I forgot about being nervous and focused on my character."

Being in a play can be a nerve wracking experience. Going out in front of the crowd, being in the spotlight and making it off the stage without any noticeable mistakes were some of the main concerns of the cast.

"The curtain call was very big for me and walking out on stage was the best feeling," recalled Brian Biggs. "But taking that solo bow was the most memorable experience in my life!"



Charles' parents played by Robyn Nisi and Andy Ruback argue about the the best alternatives for young Charlie. (photo by Cherie Connors)



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"The play was really fun and everyone made me feel

a part of everything. It gave me good experience to work with my other classmates."
Lance Polikov-freshman



"The hardest part of the play was that the scenes were spread out over time,

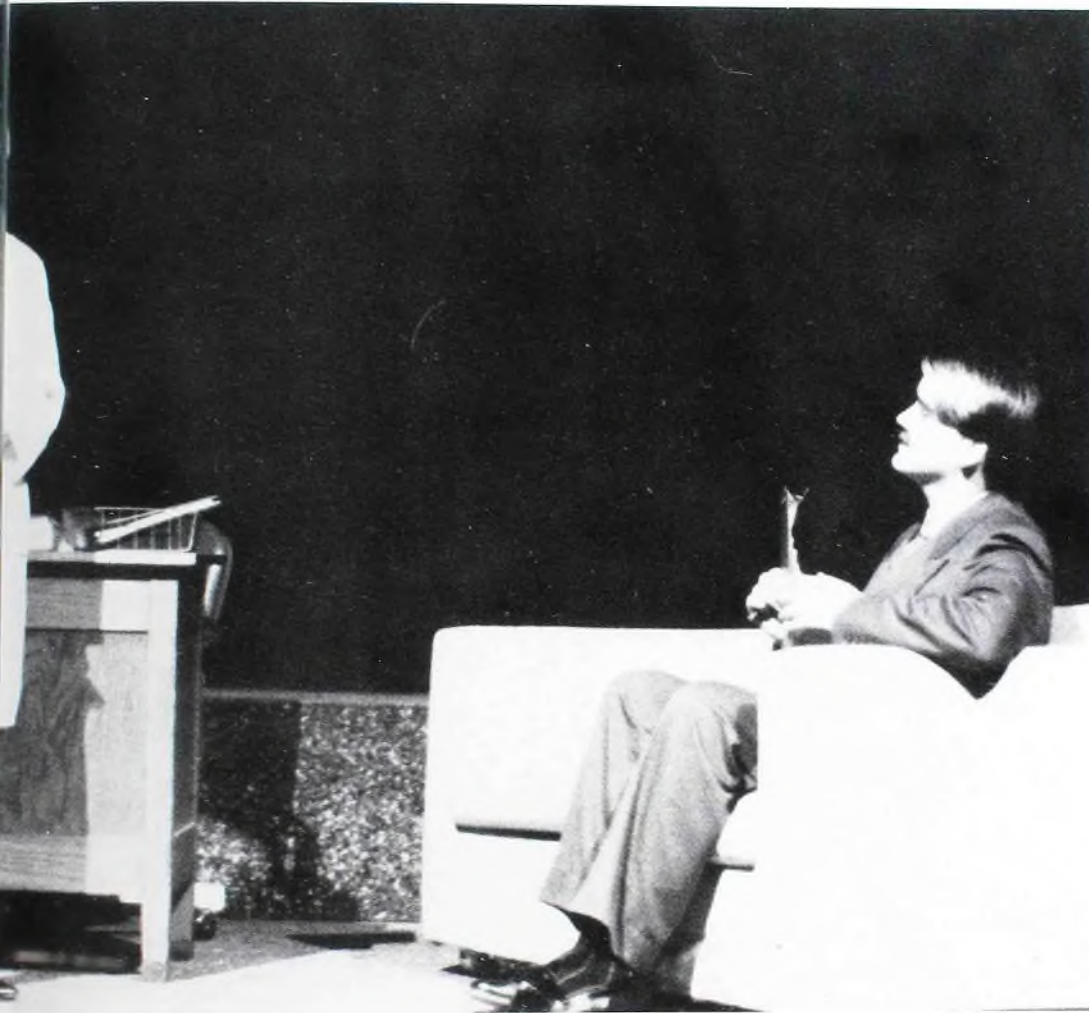
but I think we all worked really hard and wanted it to come together at the end."
Kasey Brandt-senior



Mrs. Donner, played by Emily Schmad, interrupts the bakery workers teasing about Charlie so that worker Laurie Epstein can serve a customer. (photo by Cherie Connors)

In the opening scene, Kasey Brandt, Sari Gilinsky and Matt Nelson discuss whether Charlie is suitable for their experiment. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Brian Biggs comes to the realizations of the quality of his life before the experiment. Brian did an excellent job as the lead. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Brian Biggs introduces Algernon to his new landlady Mrs. Mooney played by Christine Quirk. (photo by Cherie Connors)

No gamble

Practices make performances

SUSAN DAHLQUIST

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Realistic backdrops, colorful costumes and lively music made the musical *Guys & Dolls* a great experience for the cast and the audience. It provided for an escape into the past. "The sets and props were very realistic. It was almost as if I was there myself. I could tell that a lot of time and effort was put into making them," junior Dani Hruska said. Many students enjoyed the music. Songs like "A Bushel and a Peck" and "Sit Down You're Rockin' the Boat" were popular with the students.

"I'm really glad that I did the musical," junior Ted Anderson said. "It's always really neat to see all the long hours of hard work learning and practicing songs and dances finally pay off in the end."

Lead roles were played by Heather Riddle, Mike Zaller, Steve Saylor and Kasey Brandt. They played Miss Adelaide, Nathan Detroit, Sky Masters, and Sarah Brown.

"Since I was a lead, I memorized a scene a night for homework," senior Steve Saylor said. "I practiced almost every day after school, too. Memorizing was a lot easier than I thought it would be, but it took a lot of time." As Detroit tries to put off his already postponed engagement of 14 years to Miss Adelaide, Masters gambles on his ability to get Brown to go off to Havana with him. Brown, head of the mission, despises gambling. When Masters and Brown end up falling in love, and Miss Adelaide and Detroit get married, everyone gets more than they gambled on.

"The musical was a very memorable experience because I got to meet a lot of new people and spend time with people that I don't normally see," senior Christine Quirk said.

Nicely-Nicely Johnson and Benny Southstreet sing about Nathan Detroit's commitment to Miss Adelaide. The roles were played by junior Jimmy Friedlander and senior Andy Ruback. (photo by Cherie Connors)



The Hot Box dancers perform "A Bushel and a Peck." There were 16 girls who spent many extra hours learning and practicing dances with choreographer Cathy Wheelton. (photo by Cherie Connors)



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"I think being in *Guys and Dolls* was a great experience

because even though it was a lot of hard work, I had a great time."

Heather Riddle-junior



"I enjoyed being in the musical because it was a fun

time where I got to meet a lot of new people. It was a lot of work, but it was worth it."

Steve Saylor-senior

Seniors Dave Oxenford and Tanya Reyes try to sell watches to senior Kendall Swenson and sophomore Bret Katelman in the opening scene of the musical. (photo by Cherie Connors)





Sky Masterson, played by Steve Saylor, leads the gamblers in "Luck Be a Lady." (photo by Cherie Connors)

Mike Zaller surprises Heather Riddle with the announcement that they're getting married (photo by Cherie Connors)



In an emotional scene, junior Daniel Cohn, who played Arvide Abernathy, sings "More I Cannot Wish You" to senior Kasey Brandt, who played Sarah Brown. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Nathan Detroit, Nicely -Nicely Johnson, and Benny Southstreet, played by Mike Zaller, Jimmy Friedlander, and Andy Ruback, lead the ensemble in "Oldest Established." (photo by Cherie Connors)

Hilarious

Plaza Suite winds up season

SARAH BAKER

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Plaza Suite left its audience members wanting more. The play, which took place in suite 719 of the Plaza Hotel in New York City, only lasted a little over an hour.

"I really liked the play, and I thought it was very entertaining," sophomore Jennifer Rowedder said. "I would have liked to have seen it again."

The eight cast members couldn't get enough of the play either. "I really enjoyed this show because it was a comedy, which I have never done, and because I got to play a snot. I'm used to playing saintly good girls. This was a fun change," senior Kasey Brandt said.

Brandt played the role of Beth Hollender.

Some of the actors liked the play for different reasons.

Sophomore Geoff Carlson liked being in a play with a small cast and also because, "We got to know each other really well and had a great time."

Playing a role similar to the way many teens picture their parents was challenging, senior Tanya Reyes said. "Playing the part was hard, but fun when you think about how parents always overreact and communicate," she said. "It's no wonder why we don't get along with them, They are confusing people."

For junior Jeff Connor, acting in a play was a new experience. "I thought the performance would make me very nervous," he said. "But I kept my cool. Everything went very smoothly. The whole experience was very positive."

Even though the 75-minute play was shorter than most stage performances, a lot of preparation was needed. Practice for the performance lasted for five weeks, after school for about two hours.

The stage crew was also an important part of the play. They had to make the sets and do other jobs as well. The production staff, which was led by director Greg Doty, consisted of seven students.

"It was fun to be the assistant director as well as to be able to act in the play," junior James Bagwell, who played the role of soon-to-be-married Borden Eisler, said.

Doty said he chose the suite of plays because, "Neil Simon has universal appeal. Everybody likes a comedy." The evening performances of the play were April 29 and 30 at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$3.

Roy Hubley, played by senior Mike Zaller, tries to explain to Borden Eisler, played by junior James Bagwell, why his daughter won't come out of the bathroom, as Norma Hubley, played by senior Tanya Reyes, frets. (photo by Cherie Connors)



As the father of the bride-to-be, Mike Zaller, threatens to break down the door, Norma Hubley, played by Tanya Reyes, tries to calm her husband. (photo by Cherie Connors)

The mother of the bride, played by Tanya Reyes, excitedly greets her daughter who was played by Hayley Morinelli when she finally decides to leave the bathroom and get married. (photo by Cherie Connors)



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"I really liked doing a comedy for a change. The sound

of the audience's laughter makes all of your work seem worth it." Mike Zaller-senior



"I liked working with a small cast. Doing a comedy was a great experience, learning how to deal with laugh lines and stuff."

Christine Quirk, senior

Stu Fanklyn, played by Jeff Conner, tries to comfort his ailing wife Gert, who was played by senior Christine Quirk. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Roy Hubley, played by senior Mike Zaller, prepares to escort his daughter, who was played by sophomore Hayley Morinelli, to the ballroom for her wedding. (photo by Cherie Connors)

After twisting her ankle in a tennis game, husband Mort Hollender, played by Geoff Carlson, tries to help his wife Beth, played by senior Casey Brandt, to the couch with the assistance of their friend Stu Franklin, who was played by junior Jeff Conner. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Final preparations for seniors Jenny Kelly and Terry Keber include painting their nails. (photo by Christine Quirk)



Coronation emcees Jamie Zuhlke and Mark Nielsen clap along with senior Prince Dave Oxenford, senior Princess Jamie Sazama and junior Princess Sabrina Redding as they present Queen Terri Keber and King Ben Ebong. (photo courtesy of Gordon Deas Studios)



After taking pictures, graduate Mike Huffman and senior Jill Wehner head for dinner. (photo courtesy of Jill Wehner)



On Saturday afternoon, senior Emily Schmad takes time to have her hair professionally done for prom. (photo by Christine Quirk)





After taking pictures junior Eddie Lund, sophomores Erin Ring and Rachel Warne and junior Jason Schmitz head for prom. (photo courtesy of Rachel Warne)

Before heading to dinner and the dance, Senior Cory Mann and sophomore Anna Basso exchange flowers. (photo courtesy of Anna Basso)



Romantic

Evening begins with stars

JILL HARRINGTON & SARAH BAKER

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or many students, prom was a night that they would never forget. Prom anticipation ran high as students prepared for the big "Night with the Stars." Preparations began weeks ahead with finding the right person to spend the evening with.

"My friends and I all took guys from other schools, so we took them out to dinner," junior Carey Guthmiller said. "At prom we danced and watched coronation, then we got our pictures taken. We all had a lot of fun."

The small prom committee took extra time to prepare the dance decorations that would transform the Milo Bail Student Center. "When we started decorat-

ing the area, we used balloons right above the students' heads for decorating the ceiling," Prom Chairperson Marilyn Warner said. "It was a lovely way to decorate, but it was also practical because the students took the balloons home which made cleanup very easy." All the work that went in to preparing for prom was worth it for those who attended.

"Prom was really fun because I like to dance," senior Cort Lovato said. "I think the people that danced had more fun than the people that didn't dance as much."

Coronation was one of the evening's highlights. Junior Prince and Princess were Alvin Mitchell and Sabrina Redding. Senior Prince and Princess were Dave Oxenford and Jamie Sazama. The King and Queen were Ben Ebong and Terri Keber.

After prom, students could attend the Junior-Senior Party. Students could play in the casino, listen to the live alternative band, participate in the basketball shoot out, and win free prizes. Many viewed the slide show, watched friends get hypnotized, and got their fortune told or their pictures drawn.

"Post Prom went well. My date and I spent like an hour with the fortune teller lady," said sophomore Val Cook. "There was a band there. It was really fun. There were a lot of people there."

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Prom was even more fun than I expected, and my date made the evening

even more special. The best parts were dancing and dinner at Vivache's in the Old Market.
Mike Jung -junior



"It was a lot of fun playing blackjack in the casino except I kept

losing, but my date won so it was fun. It was also really fun to see my friends get hypnotized.
Kathy Echtenkamp-junior

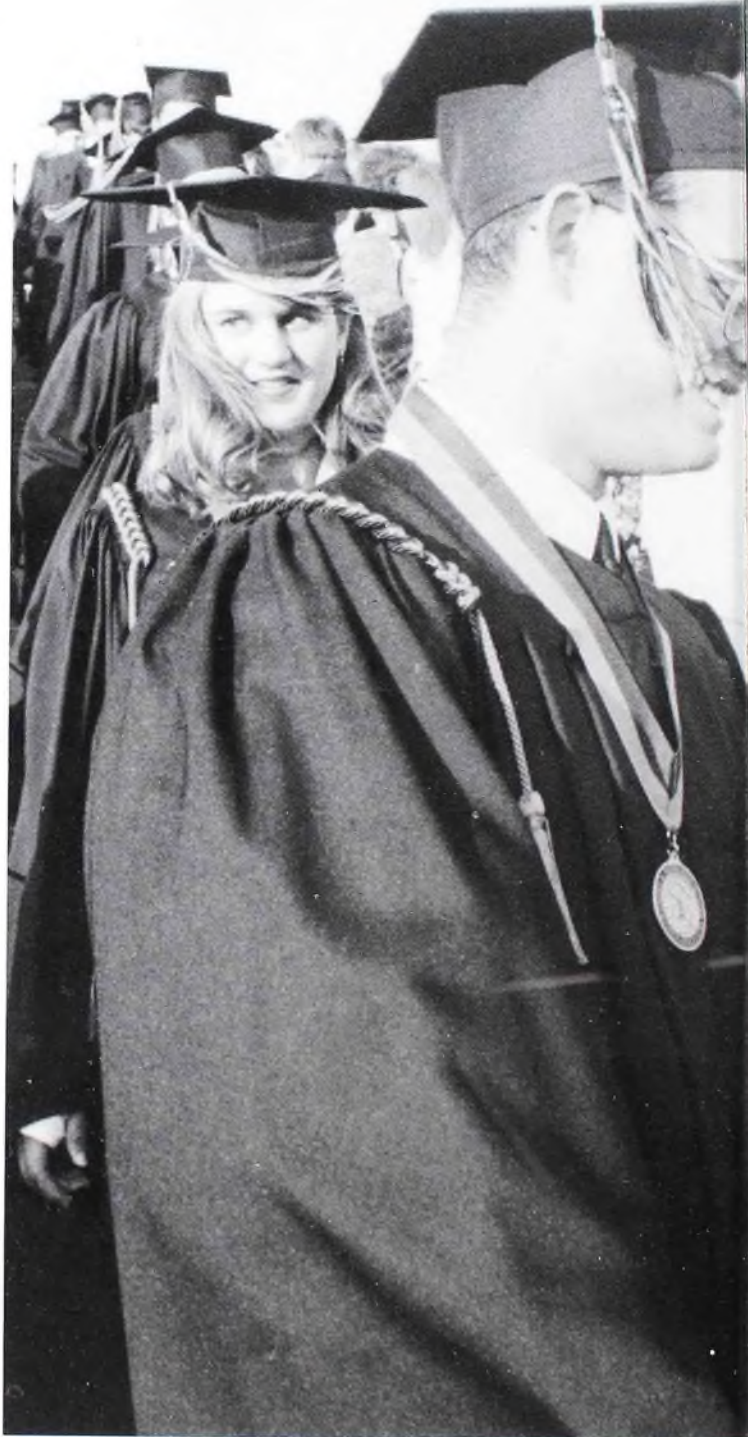
Waiting anxiously for their diplomas, Travis Manners and Susie Atwood stand in line. (photo by Mark Ward)



Students find that holding on to their mortar boards is very important as winds gust up to 30 miles per hour. (photo by Mark Ward)



Pausing for a quick snapshot, Bobby Shapiro stops on his way to his seat. (photo by Mark Ward)



Signing away for some graduation pictures, Angie Burton fills out an order form. The Picture Man took all formal pictures for the night. (photo by Mark Ward)



Checking her hair and using her last bobby pin, Holly Kudrna asks her mom how she looks. Many girls found bobby pins the perfect solution for slipping mortar boards. (photo by Mark Ward)



Second to the last stop for the new graduates is pitching their robes into the pile. The last stop was picking up their actual diploma. (photo by Mark Ward)

A group of nervous students mingle and help each other adjust their collars. Graduates had to report to the auditorium at 7 p.m. for the 8 p.m. ceremony. (photo by Mark Ward)



Carpe diem

Hang on to your mortar board

JILL HARRINGTON

Finally, the moment was here, and there was no turning back. Graduation, with all its pomp and circumstance, had arrived and seniors' emotions ran the gamut from ecstasy to disbelief, from cocky to anxious. It was time to seize the day!

Reality began to set in for the seniors May 24 when they reported to the auditorium for a 1 p.m. practice which was followed by robe check-out. Once that black robe was in their hands, they knew it was true, for better or worse, they would be leaving Burke High School and moving on.

That night, as the class gathered at Crown Hall, 8345 Crown Point Ave., for its banquet, the 220 in attendance mingled with friends and acquaintances and feasted on a buffet-style dinner. Superlatives, the best kept secret of the year, were announced after dinner. And then it was time for the slide show.

Wednesday's activities began early. Although they had only been out of classes for seven days, being at school at 7:30 in the morning seemed overwhelming. Over \$1 million in scholarships were won by members of the class of 1994.

After Honors Day, it was time for one more practice, this time outside. In keeping with tradition, it poured buckets mid-afternoon leaving doubt concerning the event's location. But the weather cooperated, and commencement began at 8 p.m., outside with bright sun and strong winds.

Speakers Jon Eden, Chad Hoffart and Terri Keber brought back memories of childhood and urged their classmates to accept no limitations and to be all that they could be.

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It was nice to see everybody again before I left for college. I was really

glad it didn't rain. Having Commencement outside was a memorable experience.
Jeff Randall- 12



This is the moment to create a new picture with a new box of crayons.

Above all draw with love, honesty and respect for your fellow man.

Jon Eden- 12, graduation speaker

After hours

2:50 bell signals beginning

SUSAN DAHLQUIST

The dismissal bell signaled the end of the day for some, but for others it was just the beginning. Practices, clubs and lessons took up a lot of after-school hours for many students. Whether students were involved in sports or *Guys and Dolls*, they had to commit many hours of their life to rehearsals and practices before the big game or show.

"I go to swim practice from 4-7 p.m., then I go home, eat dinner, do my homework and watch TV," junior Brandon Crenshaw said. "Sometimes it's really hard to get motivated to do

homework because I'm so tired, I just want to go to sleep."

While some students were headed to the locker room, other students were headed back to classrooms for club meetings.

"Sometimes I have B Club, National Honors Society, Bowling Club and French Club after school," junior Shawna Albers said. "I don't leave right after school very often."

Food was often a top priority for those who did leave when the bell rang. "We usually head to Burger King on the way home," junior Autumn Rice said. "After being in school all day, I'm usually starving."

Other students went to private lessons or classes.

Junior Lisa Coren kept busy after school with volunteering at the Anti-Defamation League and playing tennis. "I have something going on almost every night," she said. "I'm usually very busy."

After being on the go all day and at least part of the night, when students finally went home for good, many headed for the big T's—the television or the telephone.

"After volleyball practice," sophomore Lindsey Daubman said, "I talk on the phone or do homework. I usually don't have time to go anywhere, I have to use my time efficiently."



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"After school I go to work at Hy-Vee, then I go home and do

my homework. I usually put in about 25 hours each week at the store."

Mindy Conner, junior



"I stay after school and practice for volleyball, basketball,

and tennis." I get home about 5:30-6:00. Then I eat, watch TV, and talk on the phone."

Val Cook, sophomore



Before leaving Burke on his early release pass, junior Matt Humphrey quenches his thirst. (photo by Cherie Connors)

During 8th hour practice, the Burkettes perfect their kickline for Friday night's performance. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Students waste no time leaving the building after their last class. (photo by Cherie Connors)



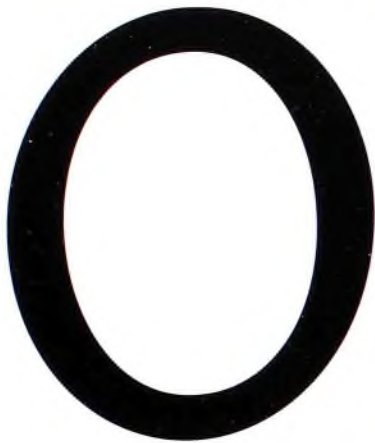
Before going home, freshman Terese Jung works on posters for the homecoming float. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Concentrating on his counts, senior Matt Nelson practices after school with the marching band. (photo by Cherie Connors).

Part time

Working provides funds

SUSAN DAHLQUIST



On top of being involved in club activities, keeping up with never-ending mounds of homework and having some semblance of a social life, many students had to put in about 15-20 hours of work each week. As with most things in life, there were pros and cons to having a job. "I work at the Cookie Factory in Westroads," junior Keri Eberhardt said. "Usually I put in about 17 or 18 hours each week. I work because I need the money. I use the money for clothes, gifts and I save some for college," she added. "I like the

money and the experience, but I hate the late hours and the effect working has on my social life."

Some students made sure their jobs didn't interfere too much with school and activities.

"I don't mind working because it's a change of pace and I get to talk to lots of people," junior Kent Cisar said. "I don't have many hours a week because I don't want work to interfere with my schoolwork and other activities."

Some students just like the work experience and being financially independent of their parents.

"I work at J.C. Penney's 13-23 hours a week," junior Eva Arant said. "I like the fact that I'm able to provide for myself."

Along with the positives of work, there were some negatives, too. "I work at Nobbies, 25 to 30 hours a week. It's good experience, I like meeting new people and making money, but on the downside, I hate dealing with some of the customers, spending money on my car, weekend activities, and clothes, but most of all I hate working on the weekends," junior Michelle Kuti said.

Holly Smith and Michelle Kuti stock inventory at Nobbies. (photo by Susan Dahlquist)

Charla Shurter unpacks a recent shipment at her part-time job at Nobbies. (photo by Susan Dahlquist)



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"I work at Fernando's about 30 hours a week. The things I like about my

job are the free food, cute waitresses and the fair pay. I usually work on school nights."
Brad Hendricks, junior



"I really enjoy working at the Westroads Club. I usually work

about 20 hours a week. I work mostly on the weekends and I really enjoy the extra money."
Jason Yoo, senior

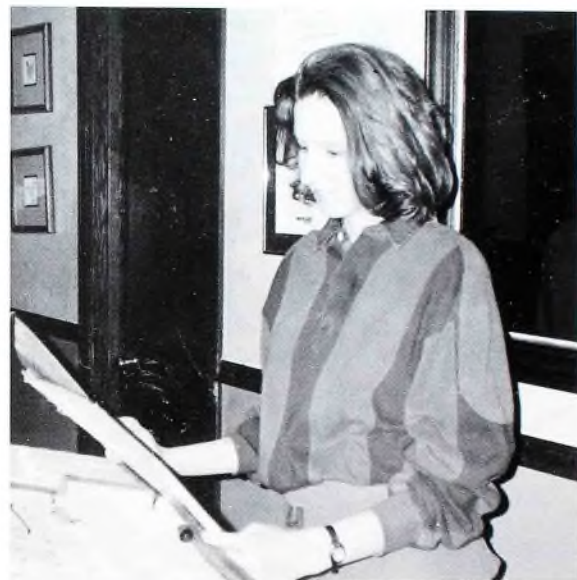
"Camelot Community Center, this is Paul, may I help you?" says senior Paul Crim, as he answers the phone at work. (photo by Susan Dahlquist)





Hard at work, junior Staci Pratt rings up a sale at House of Fabrics. Pratt worked about 20 hours a week. (photo by Susan Dahlquist)

Kelly Layendecker gets ready for the Monday night dinner crowd at Jack and Mary's restaurant. (photo by Susan Dahlquist)



At her after school job at J.C. Penney's, Eva Arant files sales receipts. (photo by Susan Dahlquist)



Stacey Kretchmer helps one of her customers. Kretchmer worked in the accessories department at Younkers. (photo by Susan Dahlquist)



Celebrate!

Students win many awards

SARAH BAKER

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any students were honored in academic related contests. In the National Current Events League Competition, Ken Cisar, Jason Itkin, David Kricsfield, George Lessmann, David Mayberry, Andrew Miller, Drew Peterson, Trevor Putnam, Jeff Wemhoff, and Chiwei Wu won 1st place.

Six student winners in the monthly *World-Herald* Opportunity for Writers Contest included Sari Gilinski, Susie Shackman, Matthew Nelson, Steve Preston, Robyn Nisi, and Misty Christo.

Senior Karalee Ziemba was the recipient of

the 1993 National Council of Teachers of English Achievement Award in Writing. Senior Brian Jorde won the National Student Essay Competition sponsored by the National Society for the Colonial Dames of America. Winners in the Martin Luther King Essay, poster and Poetry Contest included Victor Ford, Ben Ebong and Cynthia Bradford, Spencer Danner, Christopher Griffin and Fauzia Azimi.

Winners in the Nebraska State Fair Social Studies Essay Contest were Jason Itkin, Brian Jorde, Heather Treat and Brian Biggs.

The Cornhusker Optimists Club honored Charlie Lessmann and Jessica Chandler for their essays. In the essay contest sponsored by the Miracle Hills Optimists Club winners were Karalee Ziemba, Fauzia Azimi, and Kiran Lassi.

At the Omaha Marching Invitational hosted by OPS, Burke's marching band was the only OPS school to receive a superior rating. Jonie Pagel, Bill Schoonover, and Mike Zaller made the Nebraska All State Chorus.

In the 1994 Metropolitan Science and Engineering Fair, first place category awards were received by Brandon Neary, Chih-Yung Wu, Nick Wong, and Heather Treat.

Students receiving grand prize awards were Fariha Ahmed, Eric Givner, Zach Hill, Lisa Jenses, and Tanya Reyes. David Kricsfield, Tammy Cruz, David Kulakofsky, Tim Winkleman, Adam Julch, Charlie Lessmann and Steve Preston.

The eleven member math team that participated in the Atlantic-Pacific High School Mathematics League Competition was recognized for getting perfect scores on the second part of the competition.

Senior Craig Redinger presents his award-winning research project at the National Junior Academy of Science in San Francisco. (photo by Mike Antrim)



Senior Tanya Reyes displays her science project at the Nebraska Science and Engineering Fair. Reyes received over \$3,000 in scholarships and awards for her project, "The Effects of Synthetic Eggs and Different Nesting Devices on the Roosting of Pyharra Frontalis." (photo by Mike Antrim)

Senior David Kricsfield displays his science research project at the Metropolitan Science and Engineering fair. (photo by Mike Antrim)





FASHION Time warp

A fashion time-warp took us back to the '60s and '70s and the land of beads, bells, and boots.

Colorful beaded necklaces were popular once again, and for a more sophisticated look, choker necklaces were often seen. Hair was long, braided, and definitely parted down the middle. Long hair was not only common with the girls, but also

with many of the guys.

Shoes ranged from black Doc Martins, to clogs, to platforms for females. Although a lot of guys still wore their Nike shoes, Converse came back in style along with Vans and hiking boots.

Plaid, plaid, and more plaid! It seemed as if everyone owned at least one plaid shirt, commonly untucked for the "grunge" affect.

"I dress how I want to, not how others dress. I like to be my own person and have my own style," senior Brian Messier said.

Although "grunge" was popular, so was the "romantic" look. Big, black pants were popular for the girls along with tons of ruffles. Ruffles were seen on pant cuffs, shirt cuffs, collars, everywhere. Flowing, long flowered skirts were a hot item and also just a plain colored, straight, non-fitted dress.

Remember how everyone made fun of bell-bottoms? Well, they came back! And they were just as groovy as before.

While girls were wearing tight, colorful ribbed shirts, most guys were still into the baggy jeans, otherwise known as "lowriders."

Laurie Brown



Before class begins, junior Shandra Fleming braids sophomore Ronnell Bonner's hair. (photo by Cherie Connors)

THE LOOK

From a long dred, to preppy, from afros to bleach blond and straight. In the halls, you could see it all.

Seniors Mike Cuadrado and John McGowen had long, sometimes dred styled hair. McGowen, who had dreds for a while, said he grew his hair out to be different from everyone else.

Cuadrado said he grew his hair out because, "It makes people take a second look at you." Both guys compared having long hair to having a tattoo.

Sophomore Lance Larsen had a preppy haircut because he felt it was his style. Many of the preppy styles were seen on the models in *G.Q.* Other preppy cuts resembled the Jason Preistly look seen on *Beverly Hills 90210*.

One student who definitely stood out among the crowd was junior Lafayette Daye. He said he was sick of getting haircuts, so he decided to let his afro grow.

"I want it to look good at a nice size, so I can braid it," Daye explained.

Whether you decided to let it grow out or trimmed it, hair was important to many students. Mousse, gel, hair-spray, highlighting and perms were for guys too. For the good or the bad, guys spent as much time on their hair as girls. The stereotype of girls spending hours in the



Bargain hunters

Clothes were a big deal. And finding the right clothes at the right prices was easy if you shopped at the right stores.

Popular places for the dollar-conscious to shop included Marshalls, T.J. Maxx, and the thrift stores. These stores sold clothing that students could find in department stores, but at lower prices. Emily Schmad, a senior, said, "I can get more for my money by shopping at those stores." There was always a wide variety of clothing that ranged from boxers to formals. Students found these stores to their liking and they could usually manage to stop in and find something. When asked why teens shop at these places, Angie Flemmings, a senior, said, "More teens have jobs now and are beginning to understand that money is hard to come by."

Nebraska Crossing was a big deal for the Omaha area. The outlet mall consisted of a total of 50 stores. The mall first opened with 37 stores. In October, the Grand Opening brought crowds of people in from everywhere. Some of the stores included Team Spirit, Sunglass World, and Bass. Most students who shopped at the outlets wanted to find great bargains!

"If you really look, you can find some good deals," sophomore Becky Rubin said. The Nebraska Crossing provided a variety of different items and was a great place to shop!

—Jill Wehner

Finding a parking spot is challenging for Nebraska Crossing shoppers during the outlet mall's first weeks. (photo by Matt Nabity)



GO BIG RED

Red. Everywhere you looked you saw red. No, you weren't angry. You were probably at a Cornhusker football or basketball game or at a party cheering the team on.

The Nebraska Cornhuskers finished the year in excellent standings. The football team, 13-0 in the regular season, headed to the Orange Bowl to take on the Florida State Seminoles.

Unfortunately, Coach Tom Osborne and his crew of young contenders lost in the Orange Bowl 18-16.

The Husker Basketball team won the Big Eight



Championship for the first time in the program's 97 year history.

To celebrate the Cornhusker's success, many students bought Nebraska

by Jon Broder
photo by Evelyn Huffman

Cornhusker jackets, jerseys, hats, and other team apparel.

"I bought my Husker sweat shirt because I really enjoy watching the Huskers," senior Ryan Plummer said. "Since I'm going to UNL next year, I know I'll need a sweat-shirt anyway."

Senior Missy Harms found herself in a similar situation. "Since I will be attending UNL, I have a lot of Nebraska sports wear and of course I always support the Cornhuskers!"

Starter jackets, much like the jackets that coaches and team members wore, were hot items that many students wore. Some people wanted these jackets so badly that they were often stolen. Students often bought team jackets for around \$125 to be in fashion and also to support their favorite teams. Starter jackets came in all sizes, colors, and sports.

Team hats were not only extremely popular with guys, but girls were often seen wearing hats.

"I like to wear hats when I don't feel like curling my hair and I just want to kick back and relax," junior Kerri Schaefer said.

Other popular sports paraphernalia were athletic warm-up suits. Students not only wore these suits before games, but also when they wanted to be comfortable in class or to just hang around.

Shoes, especially Nike and Reebok, were very popular thanks in part at least to the athletes what sponsored the shoes. Basketball, football, and tennis players mostly sponsored these shoes. Many students, seeing these athletes as role models, quickly went out and purchased the latest edition of the shoes.

Team clothing definitely added new ideas to our casual wardrobes. From the latest shoes, to hats, to jackets, to warm-up suits, everyone had his favorite accessory for everyday wear.

TEAM WEAR

by Laurie Brown

Flood waters

Many of us associate one word with the summer of '93, Rain. The lazy, hazy days of summer were few and far between.

The summer of '93 will also be remembered for the flooding the rains caused. All along the Mississippi, cities, towns and farms were covered with water.

President Clinton declared much of the Midwest a national disaster area, making national funds available to the flood victims. The flooding left approximately 20 million acres waterlogged and caused an estimated \$12 billion in damage.

Des Moines residents were left without water for weeks when their reservoir was flooded. St. Louis residents nearly faced a similar fate, but the waters receded.

Although flooding in

Omaha wasn't nearly as severe, some whose homes along the Platte and Missouri Rivers were destroyed.

The flood victims weren't the only ones affected. It was very difficult for people trying to travel from one place to another. Senior Matt Waller, said, "I had to try and find an alternate route to K.C.I. I missed my flight and was a day late!"

When looking back on this disaster, senior Karalee Ziemba said, "I think it's a real testament to the American spirit that we saw, during the floods, such intense care and concern for one's neighbor. Communities, hundreds of miles away from the floods were having raffles and bake sales to raise money. Moments like those show the real heart of the people of the U.S.!"

Jill Wehner



Gas stations were a popular place to purchase a variety of lottery tickets. (photo by Laurie Brown)

WIN BIG

No longer did lottery players need to cross the Missouri River to place their wager. Nebraska became the 37th state in the nation to join the lottery game.

On Sept. 11, sales of instant game lottery tickets began. Six different games were available from the 1400 retailers who agreed to sell tickets in their establishments.

Over \$34 million of tickets were sold in the just the first six months of the lottery. The monies generated by the ticket sales were distributed according to a predetermined plan. Fifty percent of the money from sales went back to winners, 5 percent went to the retailer as commission. Twenty-five percent of the money went toward educational and environmental trust funds, and 20 percent of the money was used to cover expenditures like advertising and the ticket production.

One big attraction to the lottery was that tickets were easy to find. You could pick up a ticket at the nearest quick pick or the grocery store.

Every 90 days money was distributed to the environmental and educational trust funds. After the first 90 days, \$3.5 million was sent to the trust funds.

In July, on-line games were scheduled to debut. I bought a lottery ticket," psychology teacher John Knickman said. "I want to win millions of dollars and be able to retire!"

Newsmakers

Omaha was definitely a hot spot for news. In fact many news items directly related to Burke.

Snow days were welcome, but not as common as forecasted. Students got to leave early one day (a historic event), stay home because of cold one day and the drifts another day. Teachers and students both got to stay home one day together.

Burke once again captured the State and Metro titles in boys and girls swimming and were profiled in the *World-Herald*.

Attorney General Janet Reno paid an educational and inspirational visit to Burke in September, speaking about the importance of families in today's society.

Senior Brian Biggs was honored by Mayor Morgan for his instinctive use of CPR on a victim of a shooting at the Crossroads Mall that prolonged the victim's life. Biggs received the honor of having a special day named after him.

The birth control kit also made the news as it was approved by the Board of Education for use in high school Human Growth and Development classes for teaching purposes. Despite Archbishop Curtis' disapproval and attempt to keep all Catholics from participating in the course, a stance he later reversed.

Lastly, Peony Park, an amusement park, closed down, much to the dismay of many students, due to financial problems.

—by *Laura Setlak*



United States Attorney General Janet Reno addresses the student body during a special assembly on Friday Sept. 10. Reno talked about the importance of the family and taking responsibility for each individual's life. (photo by Cherie Connors)

VIOLENCE

The national spotlight shone on Omaha when *TIME* featured the city in an August issue about violence, guns and teenagers. After the article, it was hard for anyone to deny there was a problem in our city. Violence touched nearly everyone in some way.

Shootings were a big problem, especially when they seemed like they happened all the time. Drive-by shootings at people and at homes almost seemed like a nightly occurrence.

Over the summer some groups tried to help teens "find something to do."

by *Jill Wehner*
photo by *Cherie Connors*

activities to keep teens busy. The problems were never completely resolved. If someone needed or wanted a gun, he didn't have to look too far. Guns were sold on the streets at affordable prices.

Madd Dads, a group of concerned fathers, tried to help get guns off the streets by sponsoring a gun buy-back program where people could exchange guns for cash or gift certificates.

Dances and pool parties were some of the main activities, and local television stations were responsible for getting the word out.

Although there were

If you wanted some good shopping, but did not want to drive all the way to the Mall of America in Minnesota, Nebraska was the spot for hot new stores.

Omaha Sports, 3031 N. 120th St., had its grand opening July 1, but many students had been inside the store since school was out. The new sporting goods store had begun hiring workers on May 1, and many students had taken advantage of the opportunity.

"We are different from other sporting stores in that we offer a better selection and better service," Manager Steve Galeska said.

Eddie Bauer finally made it to Omaha, too. The store, which featured clothing, shoes, backpacks, and much more was a new addition to One Pacific Place.

"I really like Eddie Bauer because it has great sales and great clothes, too!," freshman Shelli Martin said.

Eddie Bauer offered a more rugged look for the men and women of the nineties. Opening in the spring of 1993, Eddie Bauer was a great place for all ages to shop. From casual, to sporty, to formal styles, Eddie Bauer had clothes for all types of people.

Other specialty stores like Northern Reflections at Westroads, Wild Things at Oak View and American Eagle provided shoppers with variety and incentive to spend their cash.



by *Laurie Brown*

OPEN SHOP

Computer age

The computer age hit Burke High in a big way. In nearly every aspect of our lives we used computers, even at lunch!

On the first day of school, students found there was no more register, and no more card screening.

Instead, students punched their student code number into a keypad. This loaded the student's account number onto the computer

screen, and gave the computer operator the name of the account holder, his account number, and the amount of food he purchased. Some students paid cash, and others pre-paid and were able to use credit.

Most students adjusted quickly to the new technology. The lines moved much faster with a credit line. Yet some still used cash.

Naturally, computers played a major role in most of our classes. Journalism, business, and drafting students all got to use new specialty labs.

Business students welcomed their new IBM labs and students involved in the production of the school newspaper and yearbook staffs were overjoyed when their new Macintosh Centris computers arrived.

Second semester drafting students saw a huge improvement when their new CAD lab arrived in February.

Besides the specialty labs, a new student writing lab opened at the end of first semester. Located in the library, this lab allowed students to use a computer at any time.

Numerous fundraising activities were held throughout the year to support the growing demand for technology.



While shopping at the Nebraska Furniture Mart, Senior Jodi Hendricksen pumps up the volume. (photo by Chris Wormley)

TECH PLAY

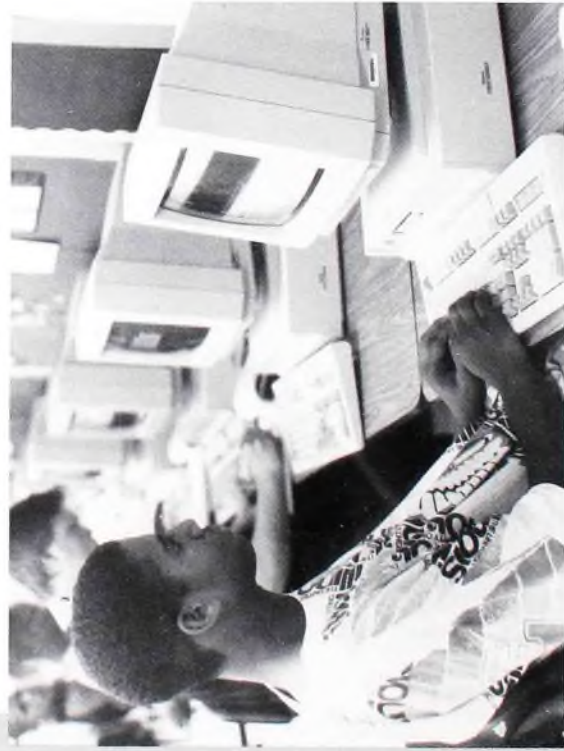
Technological entertainment changed constantly. More and more items were put out on the market everyday. Some things were placed in the home to make things easier such as pre-programming your house to a set temperature, or turning on the stereo or the television before you got home.

Some items available for home use included television sets in which a number of different screens were visible at the same time as well as high definition televisions, advertised on the screens of regular televisions (if that makes sense).

Improved Sony Watchmans hit the marketplace. The TVs, which were about the size of a tape recorder, were especially handy when there was a big game on and you had to be somewhere else. The machines also ran tapes.

Laser discs could be used to play movies, stop anywhere in the movie, and move frame by frame with a perfect picture. Chris Jagasitz, a local artist was able to pause on a frame of Bridget Fonda and draw a perfect reproduction. The perfect view also allowed rolls of film to be placed and viewed on TV discs the size of audio CDs.

For real exciting entertainment, students battled with laser tag at Skateland. There were also the laser shows at Kountze Planetarium and the music laser shows at UNO.



Sophomore Elliott Mitchell uses the IBM Business Lab to complete a key.

"You on the other line? OK, call me back!"

Call waiting, for many people, was a necessity. Without it, a busy signal was heard, and many important phone calls were missed.

Another favorite phone service was three-way calling or conference. This was a great way to get many friends on the same line at once. On the other hand, it could also be used to get all the dirt on someone without them even knowing that you were on the phone, listening to their secrets.

For those who permanently had the phone attached to their ears, a teen line was the answer. Many parents had a hard time sharing the line with talkative teeny-bopper. Teens could talk privately in their own room, without having to worry about Aunt Edna calling for mom, or dad needing to make an important business call.

With so many after school activities, many students were not home to answer their many calls. Answering machines, or voice messaging services were right up many students' alleys. Another option for many students was a great device called a caller I.D. The idea behind the caller I.D. was to know who was calling you. After two rings, the I.D. showed the caller's name, address, and number.

"I really like my caller I.D. because I know who's calling me before I answer the phone!," junior Shana Novak said.

—by Laurie Brown



Instead of having to rely on her memory, junior Kerri Schaefer makes use of her phones' automatic dialing features. (photo by Laurie Brown)

FUNDRAISING

The Burke Technology Committee did its share of fundraising. By March, the group which was made of teachers, students and parents had raised over \$14,000.

Many activities were organized by the group to raise money for supplies and equipment such as computers, color printers, and computer programs.

"It's been really worth while fundraising for the technology committee because it's added so much needed equipment," Sharon Hostler, math teacher and



co-chairperson of the committee, said.

The year opened with a craft Boutique which raised about \$4,000 and was held the first weekend of Octo-

by Jill Wehner
photo by Matt Nabity

ber. Many students helped out at the Boutique by selling concessions or by distributing posters.

Students were also involved in the school's first telethon. Nearly \$10,000 was donated to the school for technological improvements.

Watches were sold for \$15 and \$20 during the winter holidays and a Chili Feed was held in February. Over 700 chili dinners were served and celebrities from Burke and all over the Omaha metro area competed in a chili contest.

You rented your favorite movie, and were just about to sit down to relax, when suddenly you were hit with a case of the munchies.

What were your options?

- (a) Your mom's gourmet leftover meat loaf
- (b) Make a run for the border
- (c) Order pizza—AGAIN
- (d) Your order, please!

If you chose "d," you definitely knew how to enjoy a restaurant's meal in the privacy of your own home.

Your Order, Please, a new delivery service for people who were sick of fast food, debuted. The menu included meals from fine restaurants like Austin's, Julios, Clark's Cafe, Great Wall, and Zios.

To order, clients checked out the Your Order, Please menu book and decided from which restaurant they wanted to order. A quick call to 333-9393 to place their order set the wheels in motion. Most orders usually took about 45 minutes to be delivered.

The "waiters" delivered the meals right to the client's kitchens or to wherever they wanted to chow down.

"Whenever I want a good meal, and also be able to just chill and watch TV, it's great to order out through "Your Order, Please,"" freshman Brett Chure said.

DIAL A MEAL

by Laurie Brown

World conflict

Many found it hard to believe their eyes when PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, Israeli Prime Minister Itzak Rabin and President Bill Clinton stood united in Washington, D.C. The monumental event was televised worldwide.

This August day was a turning point. For years, Israel and the PLO had communicated, but had never publicly recog-

nized each other. Their meeting brought hope to many that peace in the Middle East would soon become more than just a dream.

Growing peace-keeping efforts continued in other parts of the world as well. Continuing in a precedent set by its actions during the events in Somalia and Kuwait, the United Nations took an active

role in international affairs.

Troops were sent to the emerging nations from the former Yugoslavia and surrounding countries as ethnic divisions widened. Daily news reports showed innocent victims of the violence.

Thirteen-year-old Zlata Filipovic's diary of the events in Sarajevo, which was published worldwide, captured the drama of day to day life in the war-torn city. At the 1994 Winter Olympics in Lillehammer, athletes and fans adopted the slogan "Remember Sarajevo" to demonstrate the support for a cease-fire in the troubled republics.

Humanitarian efforts by the UN in Somalia through Operation Restore Hope were considered successful.

Jeff Connor, Jon Broder & Charlie Lessmann



Several hundred thousand people gather at Cherry Creek preparing for the Pope's arrival. (photo by Cherie Connors)

JOHN PAUL

The Pope visited Denver, Colo., during the week of August 11-14, right before school began. It was an exciting event for millions of people who traveled to Denver from all over the world. People came from not only around the United States, but the Philippines, Canada, and all parts of Europe. Three students from Burke were lucky enough to go see the Pope. Seniors Sarah Hansen, Matt Nelson and sophomore Cherie Connors traveled to Colorado with their church youth groups. Denver-area families provided places to stay for the three Burke students and some of their friends.

There were many activities held all over the city of Denver, including meetings at Mile High Stadium. Some of the activities were music concerts and seminars.

Feeding the multitudes was a challenge tackled by McDonald's. Another problem was getting enough to drink. The heat was one of the main concerns for a lot of people, and justifiably so. Many of those who were visiting the city suffered from heat stroke.

"They were always telling us to drink more and more water even though it was very hard to come by," Connors said.

The atmosphere was very intense. When the Pope made his appearance, people screamed and cried.

Bill Wehner



Expanding her worldly knowledge, senior Shannon Holm browses over

BRING HOME GOLD

Thirteen proved to be a very lucky number for the members of the 1994 Winter Olympics team. The games, which were held in Lillehammer, Norway, were the most successful for a US Winter team ever.

Perhaps some of our most vivid memories would be of speed skater Dan Jansen, 28, who set the world record in the 1500 meter and won his first and well-deserved gold medal, skating his victory lap with his 18-month old daughter.

Speed skater Bonnie Blair won the hearts of Americans and won her fifth gold medal in the 1000 meters, making her the most highly decorated US Olympian ever.

American skiers were not expected to bring home any medals from the games. These low expectations may have helped the team. Skier Tommy Moe captured the imaginations of nearly all viewers when he won an unexpected gold medal in the downhill. Moe also won a silver in the Super G.

In the Women's Super G, Dianne Roffe-Steinrotter won a gold; in the Women's Downhill, Picabo Street won a silver. American Liz McIntyre won a silver in the Freestyle Moguls.

And of course the controversial case of Nancy Kerrigan and Tonya Harding continued throughout the Olympic Games. Although Kerrigan was one of the favorites to win gold, 16-year-old Oksana Baiul of the Ukraine won by the slimmest of margins. Kerrigan had to be satisfied with the silver.

—Jon Broder



The Winter Olympic games had many U.S. headline names: Nancy Kerrigan, Tonya Harding, Tommy Moe, and Dan Jansen. (photo by Matt Nabity)

CELEB HEADS

Celebrities caught our attention. Michael Jackson, a popular singer, was in the headlines of practically every newspaper, magazine, and newscast from the end of 1993 into the middle of 1994 when he was accused of molesting a 13-year-old Los Angeles boy. Jackson lost his \$10-million endorsement deal with Pepsi.

It came as a surprise to many that on July 27, actress Julia Roberts, 26, married country singer Lyle Lovett, 36. After only a month of dating, the two were wed in a little Lutheran



by Laurie Brown photo courtesy of

Bulls. Jordan's father, James, had been murdered four weeks after the Bulls won the 1993 NBA finals, and that had a big effect on Michael. Michael surprised us again in February when he announced that he wanted to play baseball for Chicago. Off to training camp he went.

Burt Reynolds, 57, and Loni Anderson, 47, ended their five-year marriage in January.

country church in Marion, Indiana.

On Oct. 6, Michael Jordan announced that he was retiring from playing basketball for the Chicago

Disasters and conflicts grabbed our attention throughout the year.

In early November, Los Angeles had a monstrous forest fire. 5,000 fire fighters, 765 engine companies, and 6 air tankers stopped flames. More than 200 homes and 35,000 acres were destroyed in Malibu and nearby canyons.

Also in Los Angeles, at 4:31 am, on Martin Luther King Day, there was a tremendous earthquake. The earthquake was not the "Big One," but did register 6.6 on the Richter Scale.

Another big problem, and not just for Californians, was guns in schools. A University of Michigan study reported that 9 percent of eighth graders carried a gun, knife, or club to school at least once a month. It was estimated that 270,000 guns went to schools everyday.

Do the names Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan sound familiar? They should, they were in the news during much of the winter.

On Jan. 6, figure skater Kerrigan was attacked just after completing a practice session for Nationals. It was said that skater Tonya Harding and her ex-husband, Jeff Gillooly, had the plan set up to break Kerrigan's leg so that Harding could win the gold medal at the 1994 Winter Olympics in Norway. At the Olympics, Kerrigan won a silver; Harding finished in 10th place.

GUNS, FIRES & QUAKE

by Laurie Brown

Late nights

ENTERTAINMENT

For those who suffered from insomnia, late-night television was a must. The late night shows were popular with many students, insomnia or not. Despite a 7:45 a.m. homeroom, students and teachers managed to stay up and watch the talk shows. In fact, more people watched late night shows than watched the prime time shows.

David Letterman who changed networks from NBC to CBS, was probably the most well-liked. His set for the show was the newly remodeled Ed Sullivan Theater.

Students' favorites were things like The Top 10 lists, Stupid Human Tricks, and the segments featuring Letterman's mom!

"My favorite was

David Letterman's mom when she went to Lillehammer, Norway during the Olympic Winter Games," sophomore Leigh Wehner said.

The Dorito man, Jay Leno, was another late night comedian. Leno took over Johnny Carson's *Tonight Show* when Carson retired in the Spring of '93.

The short-lived *Cherly Chase Show* debuted in the fall. It was also cancelled in the fall. Although many people liked Chase for his hilarious movies, his late night show on FOX just didn't have what it took to be a hit.

Conan O'Brien was another new face on the late-night scene. He took over David Letterman's spot on NBC.

Arsenio Hall's show also managed to air even though it wasn't a big favorite.



Here's a look at the years most popular tunes. (photo by Cherie Connors)

HOT TUNES

The '70s had disco. The '80s had punk rock. And the '90s were a mixture of rap and alternative music.

Popular rap albums were Spice 1 and Dr. Dre. "It makes you hyper and in one of those moods," junior Matt Clure said about the albums.

Many students enjoyed rap because it was loud, fast and had lyrics with a message.

Alternative music continued to grow in popularity. Pearl Jam, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Screaming Trees, Green Day, 311, and Blind Melon were some of the most popular groups. M-TV even debuted a show, *Alternative Nation*, that aired daily at 11 p.m. to meet the growing demand for alternative tunes.

"It's different from all the other types of music," sophomore Ben Forrest explained. "Every song is different and you can actually understand what they're saying. It's out of the ordinary, it's new, and I think it's better than rap."

Nearly all music was expensive, and if you wanted your rap or alternative music to sound its best, you had to shell out the bucks for equipment. A good car system could run as much as \$500.

"I spend a lot of time in my car, so I want my music to sound its best," junior Tim Caldwell said. "I got a great system and of course a security alarm for it."

Music had always been a big part of everyone's lives, whether country, rap, reggae, or pop.



Chevy Chase, who began his career on *Saturday Night Live*, briefly hosted a late night show on FOX.

TOP PICKED TICKETS

Whether going on a date or just hanging out with friends, going to the movies was a popular activity for students.

Popular flicks included *The Program*, *Free Willie*, *Independent Proposal*, *Jurassic Park*, and *Malice*. Tons of other movies were showing in the theaters, but the most popular movies were the ones that impacted those people who watched them.

The Program, a movie about a determined college football team whose members were confronted by many issues including date rape, steroids, alcoholism, and overcoming death, appealed to many students. One scene in the movie was especially controversial.

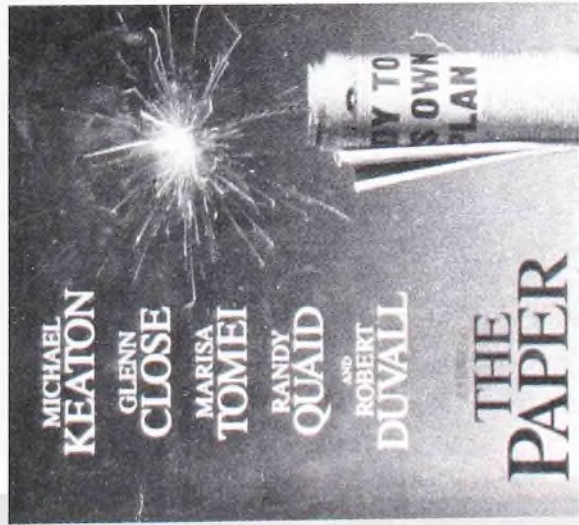
In the movie, members of the football team laid in the middle of a busy street, just being crazy and challenging death. But some teenagers thought they too could defy death, and copied the movie. Only a few teens died imitating the movie, but many were injured.

Another movie that inspired people to take a stand was the tear-jerker *Free Willie*, about a boy who realizes how badly a whale is being treated and is determined to free it. "When I walked out of the theater, I felt like saving the whales," junior Traci Mogil said.

The thrilling adventure *Jurassic Park*, about scientist re-creating dinosaurs, was another popular movie.

"I loved the movie so much that I saw it five times," sophomore Stephanie Vainunis said.

—Laurie Brown



(photo by Chris Wormley)

BAND BONDS

Many of us played an instrument in elementary school just for the heck of it. Many of us quit, and yet others of us continued and played throughout high school.

For some, the Burke Band was a satisfying achievement. Others set even higher goals.

"We all played instruments in elementary school," senior Dave Huggbanks, a member of the band Vigorous Recreation. "But we don't still play them in our band. I now play bass guitar. Jeff Randall plays

guitar, and Tim Vogelsberg plays drums. We recently added Sara Heikel as our singer."

Huggbanks said that it was an MTV interview with

For many students, extra spending money was hard to come by. And when mom and dad wouldn't come through, and there was a CD that you just had to have, the only answer was buying used.

Music was a big part of every student's life. From rap, to pop, to country, to raggaec, everyone had his favorite. Music stores offered every possible type of music. Homer's Records and Tapes was a hot spot for the latest hits.

Most students owned CD players and therefore bought many CDs or sold some of their old ones for money. Most music stores bought CDs for about \$5 to \$8 each. And while most new CDs cost from \$12 to \$17, used CDs ranged from \$4 to \$9.

"Because I have to budget my money between my car and music, I like to sell my old CDs and sometimes buy used ones," junior Paul Burri said.

Used CDs were not scratched and did not have lower sound quality compared to new CDs. They were just used and cheaper.

"I love to listen to CDs, but the thing is that they can get very expensive, I have to work for my extra spending money, so when I buy music, I like to get a good bargain, and sometimes the best bargains are buying used CDs," sophomore Jenny Knihal said.

If your cash flow was running low, buying used CDs was the best thing to do. The quality was none less than new CDs, just a little bit older and used!

by Jon Broder
photo by Laurie Brown

Henry Rollins that inspired him and the members of his band to form a group.

Another student's band was Talion. Its members included senior Dave Mayberry who stated, "We've been playing together for a year and a half and we hope to cut a record by the end of April." Senior Matt Hatfield was in a band called Creatures of Habit.

Students who formed bands found an experience that they would never forget.



by Laurie Brown

NOT QUITE NEW CD'S

Sports fans

When weekends became boring, many Omahans headed to Aksarben or Rosenblatt. Hockey fans went out in droves to support the Lancers, defending league champions.

Lancer games were known for their intensity, and many fans enjoyed watching the infamous fights. Hockey season started in October and ended in March, and games were

played at Aksarben.

If grand slams were more of your thing, the Omaha Royals were a great team to watch. The Royals, Omaha's Triple-A team, played at Rosenblatt Stadium. Rosenblatt was also the host of the College World Series. The Series, held in early June, was a sure signal that summer was just around the corner.

"The College World

Series games are always a ton of fun to go to and you get to see a lot of friends there, too," junior Heather O'Gara said.

Slam dunk seekers could go out and support those Racers! The team, which had won the CBA Championship in 1993, played at Aksarben from winter until early spring.

"We just try our hardest to perform to our full potential. All the support we get from our fans really helps the team out a lot," Racers' Coach Mike Thibault said.

Creighton University provided sports fans with excitement. Tranquility Park was always filled with soccer fans when the Blue Jays took to the field. Their Women's Basketball team, which was invited to the NCAA tourney, was one more team that brought excitement to Omaha.

(photo by Crhsi Wormley)

Laurie Brown



(photo by Laurie Brown)

'2-WHEELIN'

Remember those "before-car-days" when the old Schwinn was a necessity to get you to a friend's house, school, or anywhere when mom or dad just didn't have time to taxi you around?

Although most students did have a driver's license and access to a car, some chose to pedal their way around town. They weren't cycling to reminisce of their freshman years, but rather to exercise and have fun at the same time.

"I love to cycle because you can go places faster than by foot, but slow enough to explore our world around us," sophomore Sarah Kirke said.

Bicycling was not only a sport for girls who loved to exercise, but also for guys who wanted to get in shape or just to stay healthy. Cycling not only burned calories, but also built up the leg muscles and tightened and firmed areas that you couldn't slim down by pressing the gas and brake pedals.

Cycling was made easier when the Keystone Trail was extended. People of all ages loved riding along the trails since they didn't have to worry about automobiles, stop lights, or crossing intersections.

"Getting out in nature is a great way to relieve stress and I love to just have time to myself, besides that, it gives me a better body!" senior Mark Nielsen said.

Laurie Brown



(photo by Crhsi Wormley)

Rollerblading, a cross between ice skating and roller-skating, was a favorite sport to take on. Blades could be found for as little as \$50 or as much as \$200, depending on where they were purchased and the quality of skate.

"My skates were a lot of money because I wanted to have good quality rollerblades!" junior David Kulakofsky said.

The skates which were challenging at first.

"I'll never forget my first time out I thought I was going to fall on my face! Hills were my biggest challenge, but after a few times of blading, I got it down," said senior Sara Jaros.

Most stores offered a wide variety of protective "gear" for the beginners.

Whether you were a beginner or an advanced skater, there was always somewhere to skate. Candlewood Lake and Keystone Trail were two of the most common skating sites. For most students who owned a pair, the challenge of skating was what was exciting!

The benefits of rollerblading were numerous. Many students said they like rollerblading because it helped to tone the legs and to build strength. "It's good exercise that isn't straining," senior Kelly O'Donnell said. "You can have fun at the same time!"

Fitness was important. It helped to relieve stress and was a break from the "normal routine," senior Heidi O'Gara said. "Rollerblading is an excuse to get away and to get fit all at the same time!"

---Jill Wehner



Senior Jill Wehner gets some exercise rollerblading in her neighborhood and has fun at the same time. Rollerblading's popularity continued to grow. (photo by Leigh Wehner)

GOOD SPORTS

The thrill of victory and the agony of defeat were not reserved for the Varsity athletes. Intramurals provided an outlet for those with a competitive nature.

Every Monday night from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. friends, rivals, and competitors ventured to compete on the court. Intramural basketball and volleyball involved over 110 students.

"Intramural basketball was great because it was a time to male bond!" senior Steve Saylor said.

Besides being a chance to get some exercise, intramurals was also a good excuse to get out of the house. "Intramural basketball was a chance for me to get

Part of keeping in shape was eating right. What "right" was debatable. Low-fat, no-fat, low-salt, low-cholesterol, low-calorie, high carbohydrate were among the health options promoted as the healthy way to eat.

"I believe in a low-fat diet because I feel a lot healthier and I have a lot more energy," senior Laura Sides said. "I drink a lot of water, eat a lot of cereal, pasta and avoid foods like french fries, donuts and peanut butter."

Many fast food restaurants jumped on the health food bandwagon. For example, McDonald's offered McLean Deluxe, grilled chicken sandwiches and low-fat frozen yogurt. They even had charts posted which gave the caloric and fat content of the food.

"I think it's good that health charts are being posted because then consumers will become more health conscious which is important," senior Jon Eden said.

In keeping with the "You are what you eat" theme of the '90s, bottled water was a popular option for former soda drinkers. Evian, Pierre, Crystal Springs, Mendota Springs, Clearly Canadian, Mountain Valley Spring were just a few of the many brands.

"I feel that nutritious products are a good influence on society because they make people think more about wanting to be healthy. In the long run, foods that are good for you will help decrease cholesterol and heart disease which are a big problem now days," senior Jamie Szama said.

by Jon Broder
photo by Leigh Wehner

out of the house on Monday nights," Saylor's added. "It was a good opportunity to visit and have a good time with my friends."

As with many athletic contests, winning was not everything.

"It was really fun to play intramural basketball because all my friends were on my team and we had a good time," junior Zach Weiss said. "The competition was great!"

Intramural sports was open and offered to anyone who was interested.



EAT RIGHT

by Jill Wehner

Fast eating

When our growling stomachs demanded attention, we often headed for fast food. Choices of food for students on the go ranged from sandwiches to tacos, burgers to Chinese.

"It seems like I am always running somewhere," junior Carissa Peters said. "If it weren't for Taco Bell, I'd probably starve."

After a game or a long

day of school, many found the munchies too big to ignore. Subway was one of the closest fast food places to Burke, and a popular after school stop.

"I go to Subway because the food is better for you than other fast food places," said freshman Dan Sindelar.

Other fast food places frequented by students included Burger King and McDonalds, both at

114th and Dodge streets.

There was also a new place to eat called Hot & Now. It was a burger joint that featured burgers, fries, and a soda for close to \$2.20.

"I really like Burger King, but when I'm in a super hurry or I'm poor, I love Hot-N-Now," senior Nick Palco said.

If Chinese was on the menu, and there wasn't time for the wait at Imperial Palace or the Great Wall, Hong Kong Cafe and Schezwan were both close by. For Mexican food, the drive was a little longer for students. The main places for tacos were Taco Bell and Amigo's.

Students made a "Run for the Border" at the Taco Bell because they had 59/79/99 cent deals.

There was always something to eat even if you didn't have a lot of money at the time.

Jill Wehner



Re-enacting a civil war camp is part of the celebration during Septemberfest. (photo by Mark Ward)

CELEBRATE

Many students found that when days got boring, fun festivals in the Big 'O' were always just around the corner. Many enjoyed exciting festivals such as Septemberfest, River City Round-Up, the Douglas County Fair, the Polish Festival in South Omaha, La Festa Italiana, Dia de la Independencia, and the ever-so-popular Rosenblatt Stadium on the Fourth of July for the fireworks displays.

Food was a big part of festivals and fairs, especially La Festa Italiana and Dia de la Independencia.

"I'm Italian, so I love to go to La Festa Italiana and eat all that great food!" junior Chris Batchelder said.

"My favorite thing about fairs and festivals is the fireworks, Rosenblatt on the fourth is the best!" senior Kirk Koop said.

Firecrackers were a big part of the excitement for Omahans at festivals. Everyone knew about the big fireworks displays every year at Rosenblatt Stadium on July 4, but many other events often included firecrackers. September Fest, River City Round-Up, and the Douglas County Fair were just a few other productions that offered the thrill of multicolored explosions in the sky.

Festivals may seem childish to some, but many discovered that they really were a fun pastime.

Junior Ally Ball commented, "My grandma always drags us to tons of festivals and we dread it at first, but end up having a really good time."

Laurie Brown



Ready to take an order, a McDonalds worker clears her computer pad.

Some students found it hard to resist the temptations of visiting Lincoln for a weekend. A half-hour to 45-minute drive to Lincoln took care of many people's desires to get out of Omaha and away from the same old routine of seeing movies, hanging out at friend's houses and waiting for something to happen. Most who ventured to the south found nothing but a great time.

Many of those who jumped on I-80 went to Lincoln to visit friends who had graduated in past years. Others visited relatives. Mostly, people went down to get a look at college life.

"I went to Lincoln to visit my friends that had graduated and to see what college will be like for me next year," senior Kristen Jenkins said. "I'm excited though, and visiting Lincoln gave me a chance to prepare myself for next year."

Many students who traveled to Lincoln stayed for only one night. Others stayed for the whole weekend. Some found time to see a UNL football or basketball game. Others saw shows at the Lied Center of Performing Arts.

"UNL football games were very exciting, and I had a blast watching the Huskers," senior Ryan Fischer said.

Whether people went to go celebrate or to visit, Lincoln was a great place to get away from Omaha and a chance to get a break from the stresses at home.

—Jon Broder



On their way to the State Basketball Tournament in Lincoln, Senior Cheerleaders pose for a picture. The Bulldogs lost to Creighton Prep 81-77 in the first round of the tournament. (photo by Jill Wehner)

JUST PARK IT

Many students took advantage of their breaks. Students went camping with their parents and friends; it was an easy way to relax and a great chance to get a away from every day life.

"It's nice to get out and be in the middle of nowhere and have a great time!" said sophomore Robbie-Jo Haagenenson.

Many couldn't find time to travel the long distances to some state parks. The parks and recreational areas around Omaha satisfied those seeking the chance to get away.

Some of the favorite parks in the metro area were Fontenelle Park and Forest, Elmwood Park, Lake Manawa, Riverview Park, Mahoney State Park, Platte

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photo by Michelle France

River State Park, Memorial Park, and the Heartland of America Park.

Zorinsky Park, in Millard, was a popular park, especially for rollerbladers. Those who like to fish and canoe frequented Dam Site 16.

Chalco Hills Park, located just off I-80 by Sapp Brothers, was another favorite. Pictured to the left, two Millard North students and seniors Kim Jiede and Dave Mayberry enjoy one of the last days of summer at their work picnic held at Chalco Hills.

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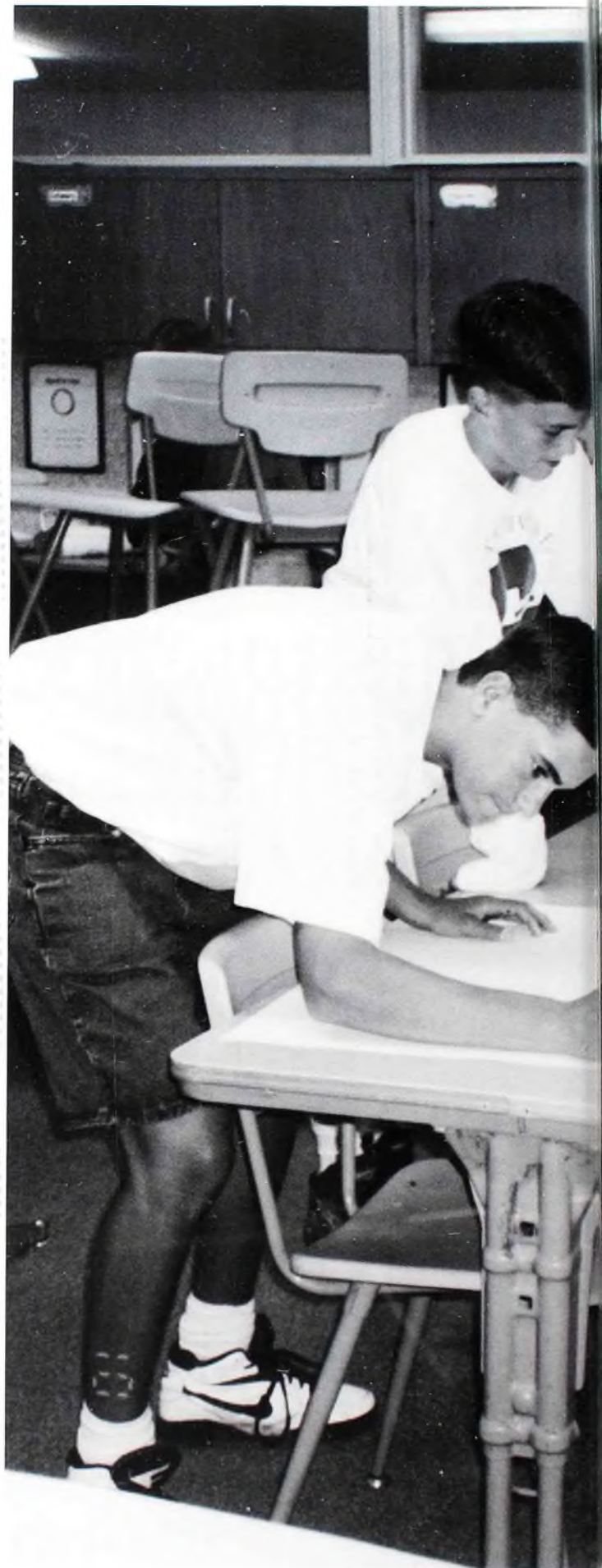
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Interpreting a French recipe for French bread, visitor Marc Fenet helps freshman Carman Simpson with her translations. (photo by Cherie Connor)

Intent on designing signs for the Freshman Homecoming Float, Jeff Shapiro, J.T. Savoie, and Bret Katelman show their creativity. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Insuring there would be enough blood for the holiday season, senior Kristin Holland and junior Karnell Perkins rest after giving blood at the school's blood drive. (photo by Cherie Connors)





FRIENDS MATTER

In a school of 1843 people, there were bound to be standouts. Before the school year even began, senior Karalee Ziemba's leadership abilities were recognized when she was elected governor of Girls State and senior Sarah Fredstrom's athletic talents were featured in the World-Herald.

Some, like National Merit Semifinalists seniors Ryan Fischer and Jenny Jorgensen were known because of their academic success, while others got a great deal of recognition because of some other talent. Almost everyone knew junior quarterback Ben Titus and senior basketball player Ben Ebong. And most of us could identify senior Brian Biggs as the guy who had to hold that mouse in the fall play Flowers for Algernon, and junior Yemi Smith as one of the Student Government members who was collecting cans before the holidays.

Others, like the teacher who stood in the bathroom every day until the tardy bell rang and the guy who lockered across the hall from you, we recognized just because we saw them almost everyday. Still others, like "Go out and support those Dawgs" Rosemary Haverkamp, we might not have recognized, but knew their voice.

But what made high school bearable for most us was our friends. They were the ones who dug through your locker looking for that history assignment that somehow got stuck in your Trig book, or who went from mall to mall with you in search of the perfect outfit for your big date.

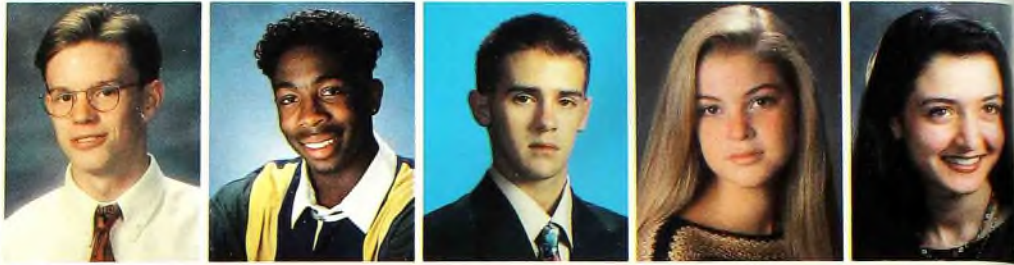
Even in a school full of standouts, hardly a day went by when we didn't see someone new, someone we had never even seen before. Sometimes these strangers would become some our closest friends, and they too became one of those people who mattered in our lives.

by
Jeff
Jorgensen

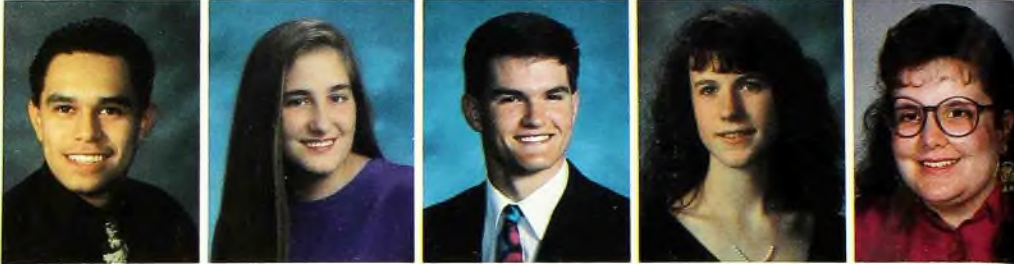
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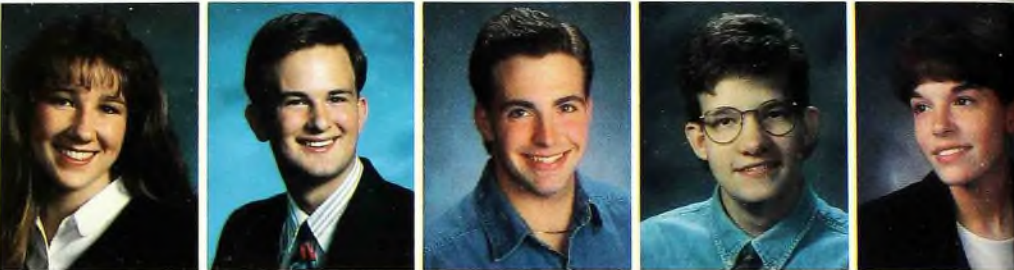
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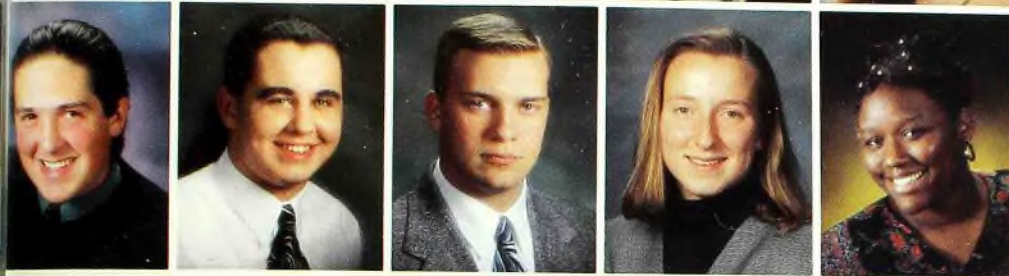


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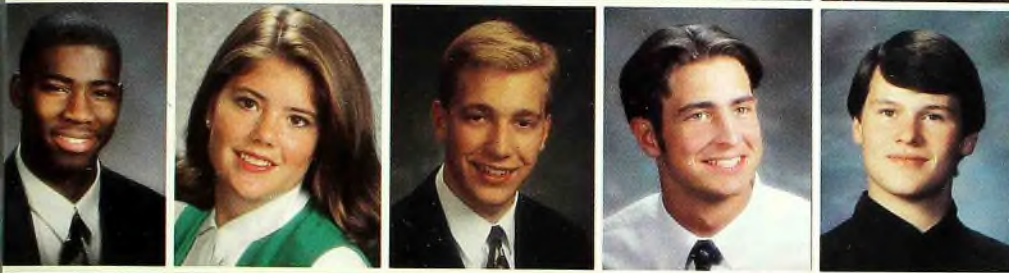




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ATHLETE

The word lazy was definitely not in Sarah Fredstrom's vocabulary. Fredstrom, the most decorated female athlete in the school's history, played Varsity softball, volleyball, basketball and tennis.

The four-sport athlete had lettered in three sports each year, and even earned an academic letter.

"My biggest achievement was beating Millard North in the district basketball tournament, and in softball this year. We came back in the last inning to win the game."

By pushing herself beyond the limits,

Fredstrom earned herself All-Metro for basketball, All-State for softball and three state tennis championships.

Fredstrom, who maintained a 4.0 GPA, was also involved in National Honor Society and Student Government.

"When I leave Burke I think I will miss my friends, teachers, and coaches that I have had through the years the most."

When asked who her inspiration was, she said, "No one really, I just do sports because I like to and I'm a perfectionist."

She accepted a full-ride scholarship to Colorado State to play softball and hoped to be a pharmacist at UNMC."



Before the Metro Finals, Sarah Fredstrom and her doubles partner Alison Horbach warm up. The two girls won #2 Doubles at the meet. (photo by Bill Roach)

WHAT

is one moment you will never forget?

"Losing in the State Championship Soccer Finals against Prep with 53 seconds left in the game."

-Brian Maschka

"When I took my first curtain call in a Burke musical."

-Andy Ruback

"When I had my first performance as the bulldog."

-Brian Biggs

"State Basketball Tournament. Even though we lost, it was a great time."

-Dave Oxenford

"Missing coronation at Prom because it took three hours to eat dinner."

-Dana Shane

"Getting hit by things the senior float threw at us during the Homecoming Parade my junior year."

-Missy Harms

GOVERNOR

by Jenny Jorgensen

Added to Karalee Ziemba's many achievements was being elected Governor of Girls State, a convention of 400 girls from Nebraska. They met to perform a mock government.

Ziemba had to conduct a campaign that included defining a platform and giving speeches.

"To be an effective governor, I had to utilize both knowledge and compassion. Obviously I had to be well-versed on state issues, but I also had to be able to understand each party's views," Ziemba said.

Other delegates from Burke included Angie Fleming, and Boys State representatives Jason Itkin and David Kricsfeld.

"At first I didn't like Boys State very much," Kricsfeld said, "but by the end of the week I was having fun. It was great to meet all of the different people and hear their views."



President Bill Clinton greets Girls State Governor Karalee Ziemba at a White House reception (photo courtesy of President Bill Clinton)

YEAR FULL OF STRESS

BY ALI HORBACH

Sometimes it was just too much.

Registering and taking the ACT and SAT tests, finding a job, staying on top of homework, deciding on a

college, applying to schools and for scholarships, and meeting those endless deadlines.

It was not exactly the kicked-back year most seniors had envisioned having when they were freshmen.

"My job makes it hard to do my homework. Doing my homework makes it hard to do the college preps and ACT tests. Everything is just going on all at once," Mary Healey said.

Instead of spending their last semesters in pud classes, many seniors took advantage of their last chance for a free education and took heavy class loads.

"I thought my senior year would be more laid back," Charlie Lessmann said. Instead I'm taking four honors classes and writing zillions of papers."

SCHOOL RECORD BREAKER

Alison Horbach

Year-round involvement in Varsity athletics and participation in O'Club and African American societies kept Terrance Hill busy.

His senior year, Hill was named to the All-Division Defensive football team and maintained a 3.2 GPA. Even though the football team did not qualify for the State Tournament, Hill was not a stranger to competing in championships. To stay competitive, Hill spent many hours in the weight room. He shattered the school's squat record by lifting 570 pounds.

During his junior year he went to state in wrestling where he competed at the heavyweight division (275 lbs.), and track, where he competed in the shot put. In fact, during his junior wrestling season, Hill beat the #1 heavyweight in the State. As he entered his senior wrestling season, he was optimistic.

"This season I hope to place in State in both sports and to get the major colleges to look at me. I am expecting to be one of the top shot putters in the State this year," he said.

After high school, Hill hoped to attend college to major in communications or radio broadcasting. "Once I graduate from college, I want to go to work at a radio station and host my own show," he said.



Vigorous training and intense lifting helps Terrance Hill to excel in every sport he participates in. Hill broke the school's squat record by lifting 570 pounds, vaulting him past Pat Shea's long lasting mark.



Shirley Zimmerman balances working long hours on end at Runza in Westroads' Food Court, and keeping on top of her academic studies. (photo by Chris Wormley)



Charlie Lessmann keeps warm as he supports his team at the State Tennis Meet. With a full load of classes, along with involvement in Journalism, National Honor Society, and Tennis, Lessmann learned to efficiently budget his time. (photo by Mike Jung)

TIME

Between sports, clubs, jobs and doing homework, many students had to learn to balance their time to keep their sanity.

Involvement not only meant major time commitments, but also major strains. Students found that their loads were lightened if they prioritized.

"I just make a list of what I need to do, then I follow the list in order of importance," said Kelly O'Donnell. "It makes life easier for me and I don't go bonkers." O'Donnell was co-captain of the pompon squad, involved in German Club, NHS, and on newspaper staff.

"I really like being active in school, but it sometimes can be overwhelming. If you're not having fun, being involved isn't worth it."

Brandon Walker's secret for keeping sane involves a lot of writing. "I write everything down on my calendar and then I follow along the dates with what I need to do." Walker played Varsity soccer and worked part time at Blockbuster Video.

"I work about 25 hours a week, and it is kind of hard to balance work, school, practice, and friends, but I manage all right," Walker said.

—by Kara Stamm

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Candace Gray
Matthew Grosse
Nicole Grosse



Amy Gunn
Janice Haack
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Tiffany Hardeman
Missy Harms
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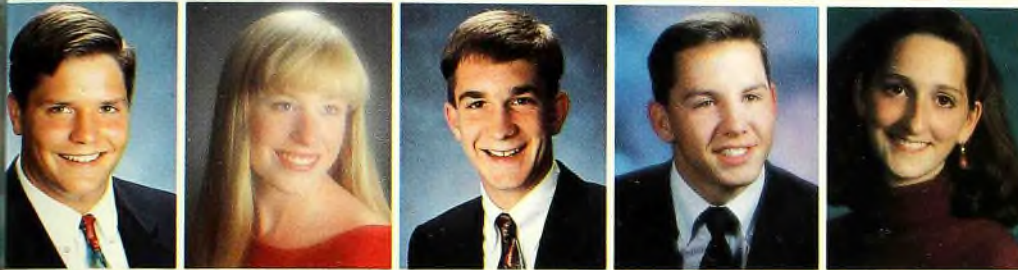




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Rebecca Kubart
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Charlie Lessmann
George Lessmann



ARTISTIC

Music and art were a big part of senior Eric Hochstein's life. In fact, one of his biggest achievements was winning the National Jazz Band competition in St. Louis in 1992. Hochstein, who plays alto sax and was the 1993-1994 drum major, was definitely gifted both musically and artistically.

Hochstein's hobbies included music and art. He spent many hours in the art room, the choir room, and the band room as well. Hochstein has been involved in band, jazz band and choir for a total of seven years. "I spend at least five hours a day prac-

ticing the sax, and I do art whenever I can," he said. Hochstein dabbled with oils and canvas painting.

His future plans included attending UNL, KU, or the Kansas City Art Institute. "I want to study art or music, and all of these schools have solid programs," he said. "In 10 years I see myself touring in large cities playing the sax." On being the drum major Hochstein said, "It's a lot of fun and responsibility. It's almost like being another teacher because you have to try to keep the others in line."



During an 8th-hour practice session, Eric Hochstein directs the Marching Band. Besides band, Hochstein was involved in art and vocal music. (photo by Cherie Connors)

WHAT

person has influenced you the most?

"My older sister. I've always looked up to her."

-Melissa Hobza

"My parents. They have always supported me and wanted me to do well."

-Heidi Bielenberg

"Mom. She tries to get involved in what I do."

-Lisa Jensen

"Brother-in-law. He is a doctor, yet he is immature. It shows that you can succeed in life and still have fun."

-Danny Horwich

"Mr. Shirck. He taught me that a grade wasn't the important thing. The point is to learn it and not to doubt myself."

-Shannon Holm

"My dad. He always helps me make tough decisions."

-Cory Mann

EXPENSIVE

by Jenny Jorgensen

Along with the excitement and fun of senior year came some major expenses. The high cost of graduating and preparing for college shocked many seniors. Cash flow problems began with the ACT and SAT. Senior pictures, graduation announcements, and cap and gown rental fees also drained the pockets of many soon-to-be graduates.

"After paying for the sitting fee and buying pictures for my friends and relatives, my senior pictures were very expensive," explained Angela Moerke.

Students frequently held after-school jobs or worked over the summer to save for senior expenses.

"I worked at Omaha Sports all summer to save money for school," Terri Keber said. "It's a stressful year because I have to pay for my college tuition, so I'm trying to conserve my money now."



Claude Fortenberry, Trisha Williams, and Monica Tripp pass out senior pictures, another senior expense. (photo by Chris Wormley)

ENTER THE REAL WORLD

BY KARA STAMM

Instead of going to an accredited university, some seniors chose to attend the university of life, opting to go directly into the workforce immediately after graduating.

"I'm tired of school, so I'm taking a year off to work and save money," Kim Loinier said. After her year off, she said she planned to attend UNO to major in pre-medicine.

Other students chose to go into the armed forces to help their country.

Senior Kate McCullough wanted to go to the Air Force Academy. "The hardest part is getting into the Academy, but I really am very interested in going. I hope to be a pilot and help the U.S."

Whether it was work, school, or boot camp, the roads of any senior's life were as varied as their choices.



Cross country, diving, track, art, and newspaper staff kept semifinalist Ryan Fischer busy. (photo by Mike Mingo)

Semifinalist Jenny Jorgensen balanced her involvement in Yearbook and Junior Achievement with a college-prep class load. (photo courtesy of Andrews studio)

EQUAL RIGHTS LEADER

Kara Stamm

Independent and outspoken were two of the most common adjectives used to describe Kendra Maroney. Maroney, who kept busy with Diversity Awareness and Cultural Council, Spanish Club, French Club and Nebraska-Math Engineering and Science Achievement, hoped to become a lawyer and travel.

"I think I want to study international relations and foreign languages and then maybe go to law school," she said. "I want to go to the east coast, maybe Washington D.C. or Atlanta."

Maroney first went to Washington D.C. as part of the Close-Program during her junior year.

Always an activist, Maroney was instrumental in founding the DACC and served as treasurer of the organization her senior year.

"I think one of the biggest problems is people's ignorance about other races and ethnic and cultural groups. I believe this is a lot to do with gangs, poverty, and racial tension like the riots," she explained. "I would solve this problem by making ethnic and cultural studies classes mandatory in schools."



Kendra Maroney helps Edison second-grader Jeremy Lyons with his 'Just Say No' poster. (photo by Ryan Fischer)

SMARTS

Getting the top score on a major test would make anyone feel great, but imagine scoring in the top half of one percent on the PSAT, the national qualifying exam for the National Merit Scholarships.

Two seniors did just that. Ryan Fischer and Jenny Jorgensen got the good news when school started.

"I was excited," Jorgensen said. "Being a semifinalist opened up a lot of opportunities for scholarships. Even if you don't become a finalist, you can still get scholarships"

Besides having more opportunities, the semifinalists also got a lot more mail.

"Not a day goes by that I don't get junk mail from some school," said Fisher, who wanted to go to college somewhere in Texas, like Rice or Baylor.

Having more confidence to apply to competitive schools was another benefit of being a semi-finalist.

Jorgensen said she wanted to go to Notre Dame, the University of Illinois, or UNL.

Both seniors' parents were very proud of their students. "My parents were probably more excited about me being a semifinalist than I was!" Jorgensen said. "They were really proud of me."

---Alison Horbach

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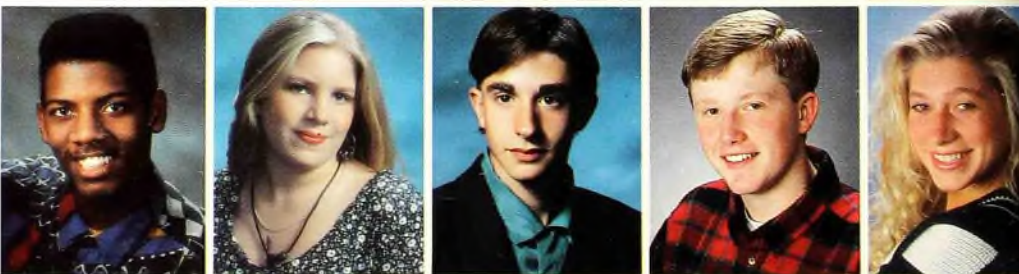
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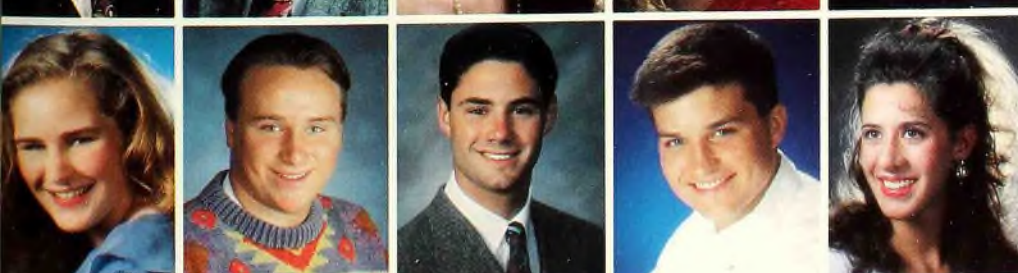
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Michele Rubin
Latonya Sanders



Leah Sandstedt
James Saroka
Kevin Saylan
Steven Saylor
Jamie Sazama

ACTION

You would probably find her in the pool.

Or on the sidelines.

Or at a club meeting.

Or in the library studying.

Swimming, cheerleading, school activities and homework kept Laura Sides active.

"During the swimming season, I'm in the pool at least three hours a day," she said. "We have morning practices at 5:30 a.m., and then again after school for two hours. Swimming is a lot of hard work, but it pays off in the end."

What's the pay off for all the hours in the water? Winning.

"I love the thrill of winning," she said. Unforgettable winning moments included breaking a 13-year record in the 100-butterfly at the Metro Swimming Meet her junior year, winning four gold medals at State and being voted Most Outstanding Swimmer in the Metro by the coaches.

Her post high school plans were to get into the University of Texas, Arizona State, UCLA or UNLV, hopefully on a full scholarship, and to swim competitively in college.



Swimming took up a great deal of Laura Sides' time, but the award-winning swimmer was also a Varsity cheerleader, and a member of National Honor Society. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

WHAT would be your ideal spring break?

"Halle Barry, Janet Jackson and on a Caribbean Cruise."

-Cedric Welch

"Going to Hawaii and laying out by the ocean with all my friends."

-Amy Schaeppi

"Going to Jamaica because that's where the legendary Bob Marley is from."

-Chad Hoffart

"I would like to go to Daytona Beach because it's warm and there is no snow."

-Holly Kudrna

"Going to Cancun with my friends, getting a tan and meeting a ton of guys."

-Lisa Millard

"Skiing in Estes Park, Col., then camping in the mountains."

-Pat Coons

PRIVILEGED

by Alison Horbach

Membership had its privileges. Honors Passes, Early Release Passes and ending the school year over two weeks early were among the most popular senior perks. One of the best parts about being a senior was knowing your way around and being more relaxed around teachers.

"Since I'm a senior I feel more comfortable talking to teachers," said Christy Urosevich.

Although feeling comfortable was nice, getting out before the underclassmen was the most looked forward to aspect of senior year. In fact, annually, the rumor spread that this would be the last year seniors got out early.

"I've been going to school for 13 years. I feel I need a reward of getting out early at the end of my senior year," Cory Gieselman replied. "It gives me hope."



Kim Jiede, Christine Quirk, Jeff Jorgensen, and Courtney Johnson use their Honors Passes in the library. (photo by Allison Gutnik)

MUCH TOO MUCH TO DO

BY ALI HORBACH

Getting ready for college wasn't as easy as throwing a few things in a suitcase and heading for I-80. For most seniors, getting ready for college began in the Career Center with hours of research.

"My mom always said, 'What's the point of going across the border and paying extra tuition when you can get the same education in Nebraska?'" senior Kristin Jenkins said. "I obviously am going to UNL."

Besides finances, college-bound seniors had to look seriously at their grades and test scores. "I was worried about my tests scores not being high enough to get into the schools I want," Travis Manners said.

Many seniors took and retook the ACT and SAT tests with hopes of improving their scores. "I retook the ACT because I wanted to see if I could do better," Steve Saylor said. "And because my dad is making me!"

ESSAY WINS TRIP TO JAPAN

by Jenny Jorgensen

One of only two lucky high school students in Omaha to win a trip to Shizuoka, Japan, was John Edén.

Edén won this trip to Japan through Junior Achievement, an organization for high school students interested in business. To win the trip, Edén wrote an essay on what he could gain from traveling to Japan. He also had an interview.

In Shizuoka, he visited many different high schools. He also went to other exciting places such as Mt. Fuji.

"I had a great time. It was interesting to see a completely different culture," Edén commented.

Edén stayed with two different host families. These families gave him an example of the everyday life of the Japanese.

"The first house that I stayed in was very traditional. There were no chairs, so we sat on the floor. My next host family's house was very western and resembled houses like we have in the United States," explained Edén.

These families also gave him opportunities to do things that he could not do in the U.S. "My host families took me yachting on the Pacific Ocean. They also took me to karaoke restaurants, which are very popular in Japan."

In these restaurants, Edén found very interesting food.

"I liked most of the food, but some of it was really different. In most restaurants, the fish came with the head on it, and most food was served raw such as squid," commented Edén.



While in Japan, John Edén poses in front of Mount Fuji with his host family. (photo courtesy of John Edén)



Senior Senate members examine the sweats they sold to raise money for the Senior Class. (photo by Allison Gutnik)



Senior Class President Ben Ebong greets Attorney General Janet Reno at an all-school assembly. (photo by Cherie Connors)

SENATE

A new tradition was established by the class of '94—a Senior Senate. In the spring of junior year, class members elected peers to serve on the Senior Senate. From the Senate members, class officers were elected.

The Senior Senate represented the class and was responsible for many of the senior activities. Members met weekly to discuss fund-raisers and other activities. Ben Ebong, one of two nominated by the senate for president, was elected president in an all-class vote.

"It was a real honor to be elected president of my senior class. It was a lot of work, but it paid off in the end. Fundraising was one of the most challenging activities," Ebong commented.

Jenny Bonge, one of the 12 members, said, "The Senior Senate is really good this year because we all get along and have a good idea of what the school wants and needs."

Other members of the Senior Senate are Dave Oxenford, Chad Hoffart, Jeff Jorgensen, Cedric Welch, Dave Kricsfield, Kevin Saylan, Karalee Ziemba, Candice Gray, Kristin Jenkins, and Heidi O'Gara.

—Jenny Jorgensen

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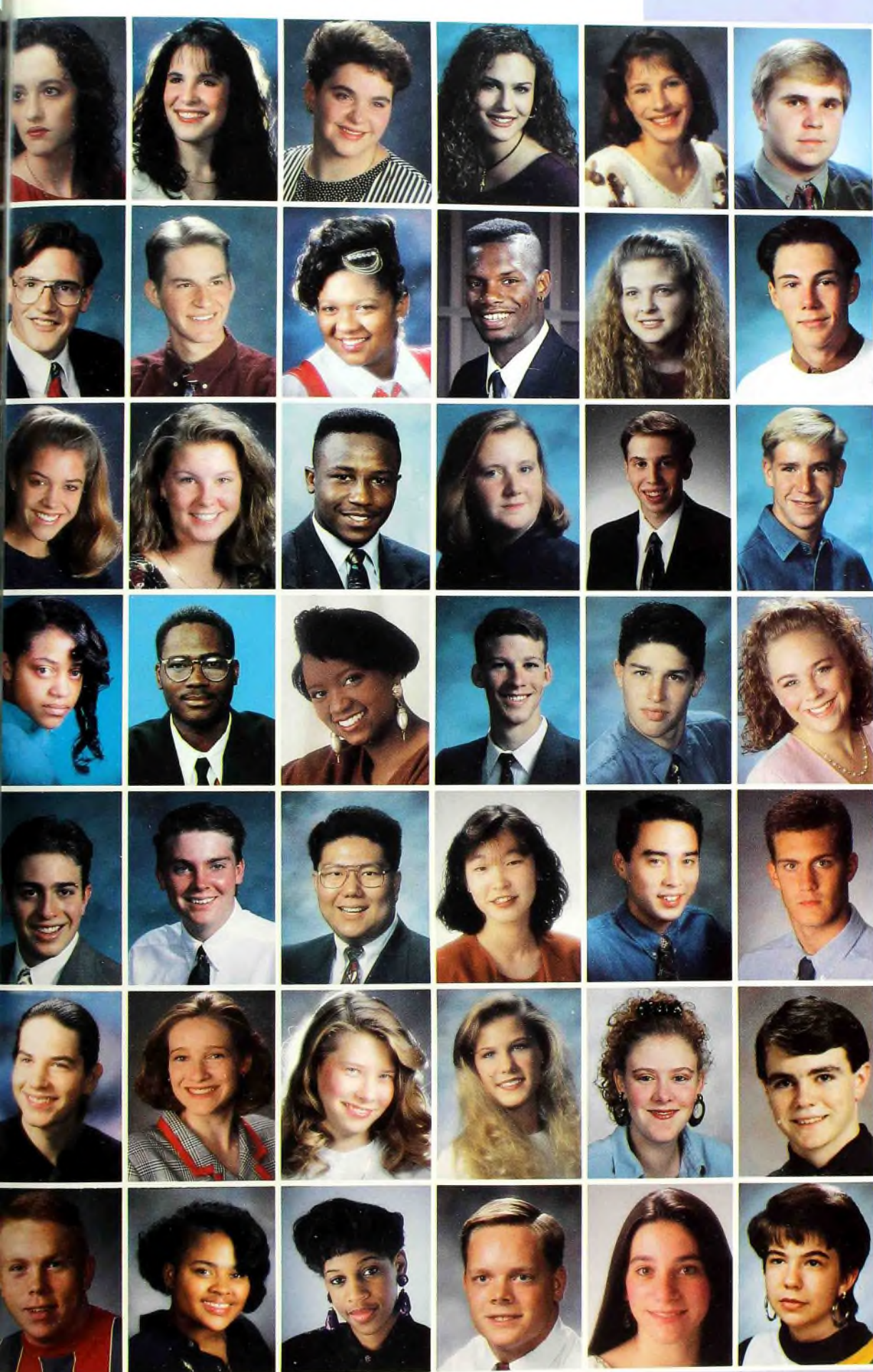


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 Susan Shackman
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WORLDLY

While most students spent their summers relaxing around a swimming pool or playing softball with friends, Fauzia Azimi spent her summers in Pakistan, visiting her father.

Azimi's father, a professor at a refugee aid program called U.S. Aid, lived in Pakistan.

Foreign countries were not new to Azimi. Until she was 5, Azimi's family lived in Afghanistan. The family moved to Pakistan because of the Russian invasion. Her family then moved to the United States after staying in Pakistan for 14 months.

When asked if she liked the United States or Pakistan better, Azimi commented, "I would rather live in the United States, but it is nice to visit Pakistan for a change."

Azimi added, "In Pakistan, women live in a very oppressive society. They are not allowed to do many things. I enjoy all the freedom I have in the United States."

While in Pakistan, Azimi likes to go shopping and to restaurants with her friends. She also spent time at a cabin in the mountains.



After collecting water samples at Heron Haven, Fauzia Azimi, (top left) takes a break with other SEA members. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

WHAT

will be the hardest to leave behind?

"Friends because they are the people I've been with for four years and now we are all going different directions."

-Kim Faiman

"Playing tennis and basketball competitively."

-Kevin Saylan

"Basketball, because of the love for the game."

-Ben Ebong

"Playing golf and tennis."

-Ashleigh Echols

"Performing in Burke musicals and plays."

-Matthew Nelson

"The friends I made, because most of them I will not see for a long time."

-Tor Harvey

"All the great teachers I've had."

-Jake Dinan

"The home football game, because all my friends were there."

-Steve Hill

ELIMINATION

by Kara Stamm

For many seniors, the hardest thing about getting ready to graduate was choosing a college. Most students found choosing a college was harder than they thought it would be and found themselves in the Career Center looking for help.

"I decided on UNL," Jessica Chandler said. "I talked to their representative when he was here in the Career Center and found out that their journalism program is one of the best, and that's what I want to go into."

College visits also helped many students make the final decision about where to go.

Dana Shane visited Iowa State, Kansas State, Drake University, and UNL.

"I thought visiting these schools would make the college decision easier, but as of now, I still haven't made my decision on where my life is going to lead."



During a study hall, Cory Giesselman meets with college rep. (photo by Chris Wormley)

Senior Superlatives

Best Dressed

Brian Jorde
Jamie Sazama

Best Personality

Luke Edmundsen
Terri Keber

Most Likely to Succeed

Jon Eden
Karalee Ziemba

Most Talented

Mike Zaller
Sarah Fredstrom

Most Athletic

Jason Yoo
Sarah Fredstrom

Most Handsome/Prettiest

Chad Seymore
Courtney Johnson

Biggest Comedian

Matt Haifley
Ceritta Turner

Most Likely To Marry

Eric Allgood & Jamie Zuhlke

Most Argumentative

Andy Ruback
Jennifer Luther

Mr. Casanova

Corey Giesselman

Miss Flirtatious

Laura Sides

Prettiest Eyes

Chad Hoffart
Jodi Hendricksen

Shyest

Eric Krelle
Pam Aken

Prettiest Smile

Mark Nielsen
Christy Urosevich

Friendliest

Mark Nielsen
Jamie Zuhlke

Most Spirited

Brian Biggs
Laura Sides

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Can't wait to get in the Driver's seat

by Pat Woodman

Some students looked forward to the moment, some students dreaded it. Getting behind the wheel for the first time could be a horrible experience not only for the students, but also for the parents.

"I was looking forward to driving, until I got in the car for the first time with my dad," sophomore Mike Dworak said. "He never shut up! Put this foot here, put that foot there."

David Proksel, freshman, also remembered the first time he drove.

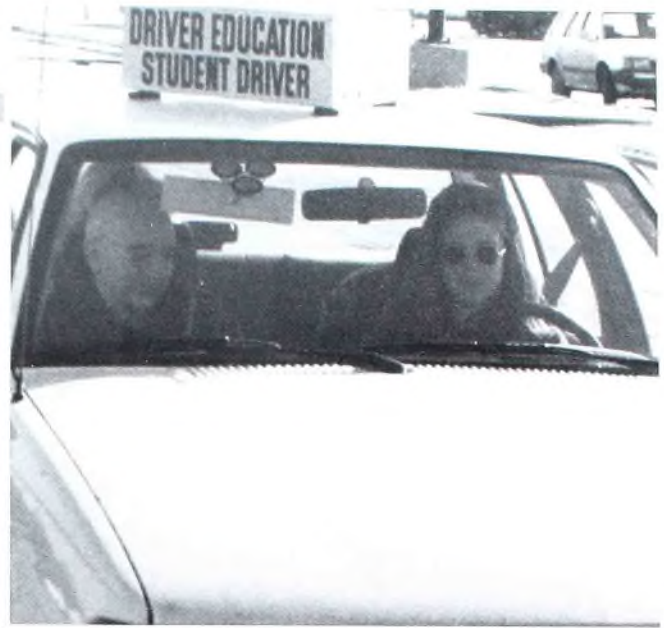
"I remember the first time I drove. My mom and dad were

both in the car with me. My mom told me to do one thing, and my dad told me to do another. I never wanted to drive again!"

Some parents wanted their kids to drive.

"My mom wanted me to drive," said sophomore Brandon Cain. "The first time I drove she wanted me to drive her all over town!"

"I was scared to get behind the wheel for the first time. I thought my mom would talk the whole time, telling me what to do," commented freshman



Lindsay Votava. "My older sister was really scared for me. When my sister got in the car for the first time, she came back almost crying. I was relieved to find out that mom was calmer than she used to be."

After a long day of school, sophomore Pam Klith takes a driving test for her driver's educational class. Many underclass students had to take driver's ed classes before being allowed to hit the highways solo. (photo by Cherie Connors)



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On the first day, try to Just survive

by Carla Mackie

What could be worse than the first day of school? The first day of school at a new school; it's like a nightmare.

"The thing I was most afraid of was meeting new friends," sophomore Scott Craven said. "I didn't know what this school was like, and I was afraid I wouldn't fit in."

For others, Burke was their first high school and they did not know what to expect.

"I was really nervous wondering about the teachers and the new people. It was weird knowing I only had four years of school left," freshman Noel

Gagnon said.

Some freshmen did not find high school that big of a change.

"It wasn't a real big difference," freshman Holly Worthington said. "There were more people, it was a bigger school, and there were more activities."

For some new students, Burke was a huge change.

"It was a good day, different from what I expected, but good," junior Nathan Penney said.

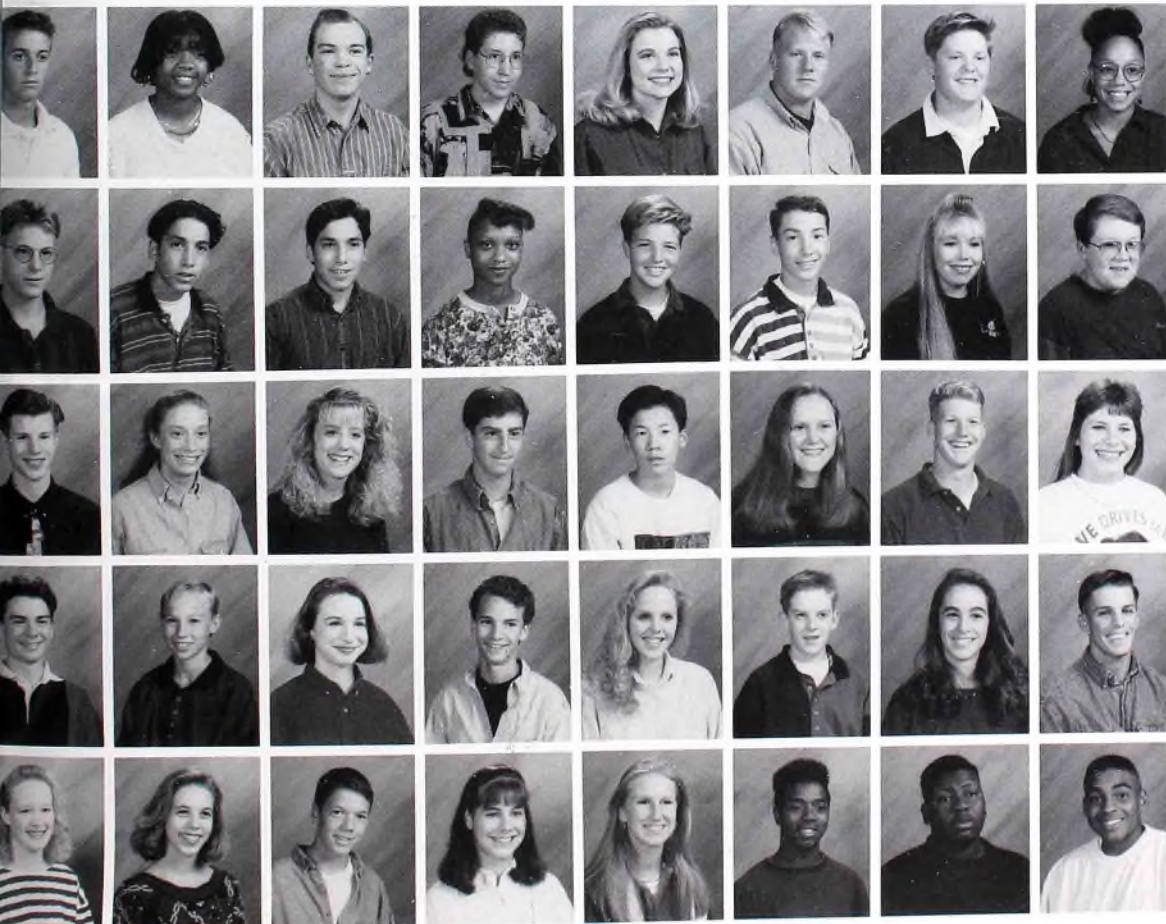
By the end of the day, most were relieved and ready to go



home.

"I was relieved when the day was finally over, and I was really surprised I found my way around," said junior Michael Well. "The good part of my day was that I made many new friends."

Four freshmen make their way to their first hour English class with Lillie Holmes during Freshman Orientation. On the Monday before school began, freshmen were invited to attend Orientation so they would have a chance to go through a practice run of their schedules. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)



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Travelers experience Going alone

by Pat Woodman

It was any student's dream—A week alone without your parents! You didn't have to clean your room or wash behind your ears. You were free!

"I could do whatever I wanted," sophomore Heather Wickes said. "When I went to Germany this summer, I had the time of my life. My room was a mess, and I went to bed whenever I wanted."

Junior Jim Voisin also had the time of his life when he went to San Francisco over the summer.

"My trip was all party, no

parents. I didn't even write one postcard!"

Not all students loved being away from their parents.

I missed my parents a lot," said sophomore Kerry Schmidt, who went to Florida for the summer. "Disney World would have been much more fun if my parents could have come."

Junior Nikki Wittrock also wished her parents could have come with her when she went to Denver over the summer.



"I had fun, but not as much fun as if my parents could have been there. One time I was thinking of them as I was going down the slopes. I almost ran into a tree. I stayed in the ski lodge for the rest of my vacation."

While skiing at Colorado, sophomore Leigh Wehner (third from left) poses with her siblings. Skiing was a great way to exercise and relax at the same time. (photo courtesy of Jill Wehner)

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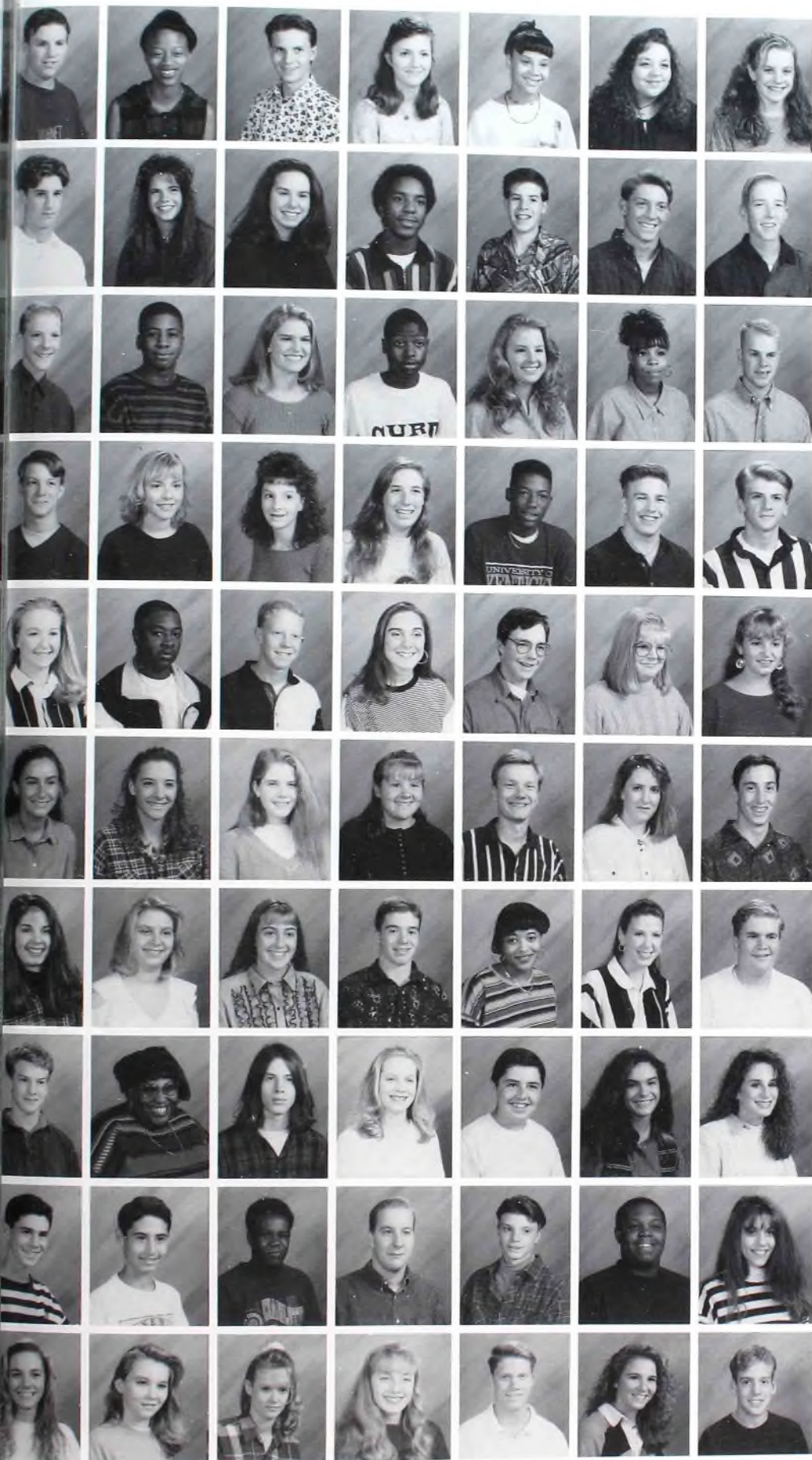


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Following in siblings' Footsteps

by Pat Woodman

"Didn't I have your brother or sister?"

It was a younger sibling's worst nightmare. But there were benefits to following an older brother or sister.

"It's okay, I guess, having your sister in the same school," sophomore Don Gilpin said. "At least I have a ride home every day. I sure wish they would quit comparing her to me though."

Junior Barb Gilpin said she liked having Don at Burke with her.

"I like having a younger brother in the same school,"

she said. "I know that there's somebody who looks up to me, even if I don't talk to him in the hall."

As if having a sibling wasn't tough enough, some students had twins. Sophomores Sherry and Laura Peterson said they liked being in the same school. "It's always fun to play tricks on the teachers," Sherry said. "I love it when we get in the same class."

"We always seem to get the same teachers," said Joe Smith, one of the Smith twins. "The teachers are constantly getting us mixed up."



"I get sick of getting mixed up with Joe," said Chris, the other Smith twin. "I get sick of saying that I'm Chris and Joe is my brother."

Senior Jamie Leach shows her freshman brother Justin Leach around school at Freshman orientation. One of the advantages of following in an older sibling's footsteps was having someone to show you the ropes. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

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Age changes TV taste?

Watch it

by Nikki Cohn

By the time we graduated from high school, the average teenager had watched over 20,000 hours of television.

Most of us got a good start on that number in our preschool years, watching *Sesame Street* and *Mister Rogers* and could recall favorite episodes of beloved shows.

"My favorite show was *Sesame Street*," sophomore Carrie Subeck said. "I liked Ernie and all of the other characters."

Some people's viewing preferences covered the spec-

trum of children's entertainment. Most of us would readily admit to watching some violence, but few liked to say they actually watched *Mr. Roger's Neighborhood*, even though most of us spent hours watching the trolley go to the Land of Make-Believe.

"I liked G.I. Joe and Mister Rogers the best," freshman Mike Steimer said. "They were educational and fun to watch."

Guns and fighting were popular cartoon attractions.

"When I was little, I liked to watch the cartoon *Transform-*



ers because there was guns and fighting," junior Matt Clure said.

For those who just didn't or couldn't get enough animation, the Cartoon Network filled the void.

Between the grade school musical matinee and the first evening performance of *Guys and Dolls*, freshman Chris Swenson takes a break in front of the television with *Licorice*. Swenson was member of the chorus. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

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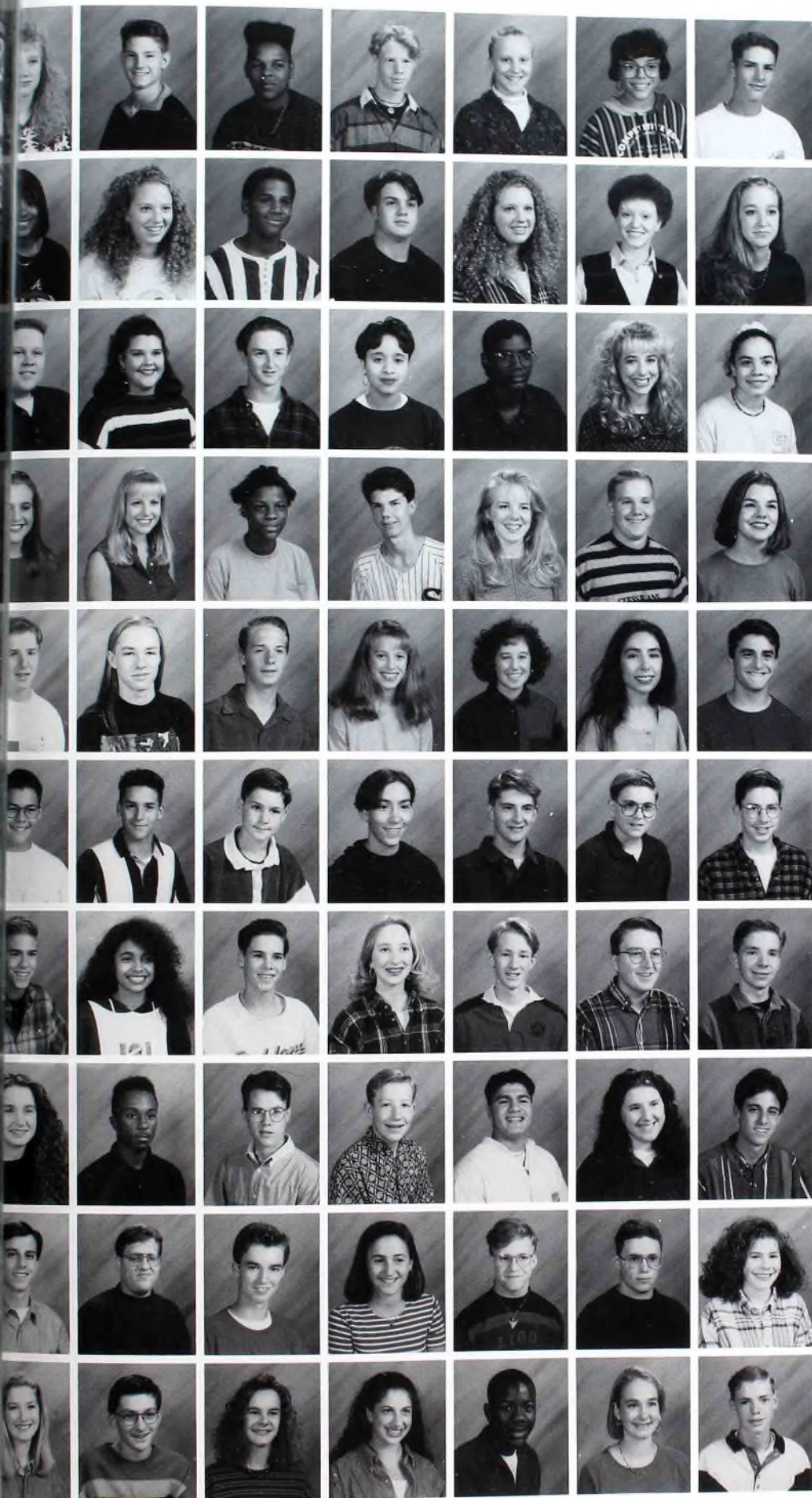


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Jumping in and Helping out

by Nikki Cohn

There were many needs in our community and many reasons for people to help out or volunteer to aid in these good causes.

"I volunteered for John Christensen for an American history project," junior Sam Nanfito said. "I supported him because he is pro-life. It made me feel like I was working for something that I believed in."

"I volunteered at the Rose Blumkin Home," said junior Traci Mogil. "I made name tags for peoples' rooms in case they forgot where there

rooms were. I'm doing it for school, but it's also a rewarding experience."

Although some people volunteered for school, there were others who did it on their own.

Junior Nick was one student who voluntarily volunteered.

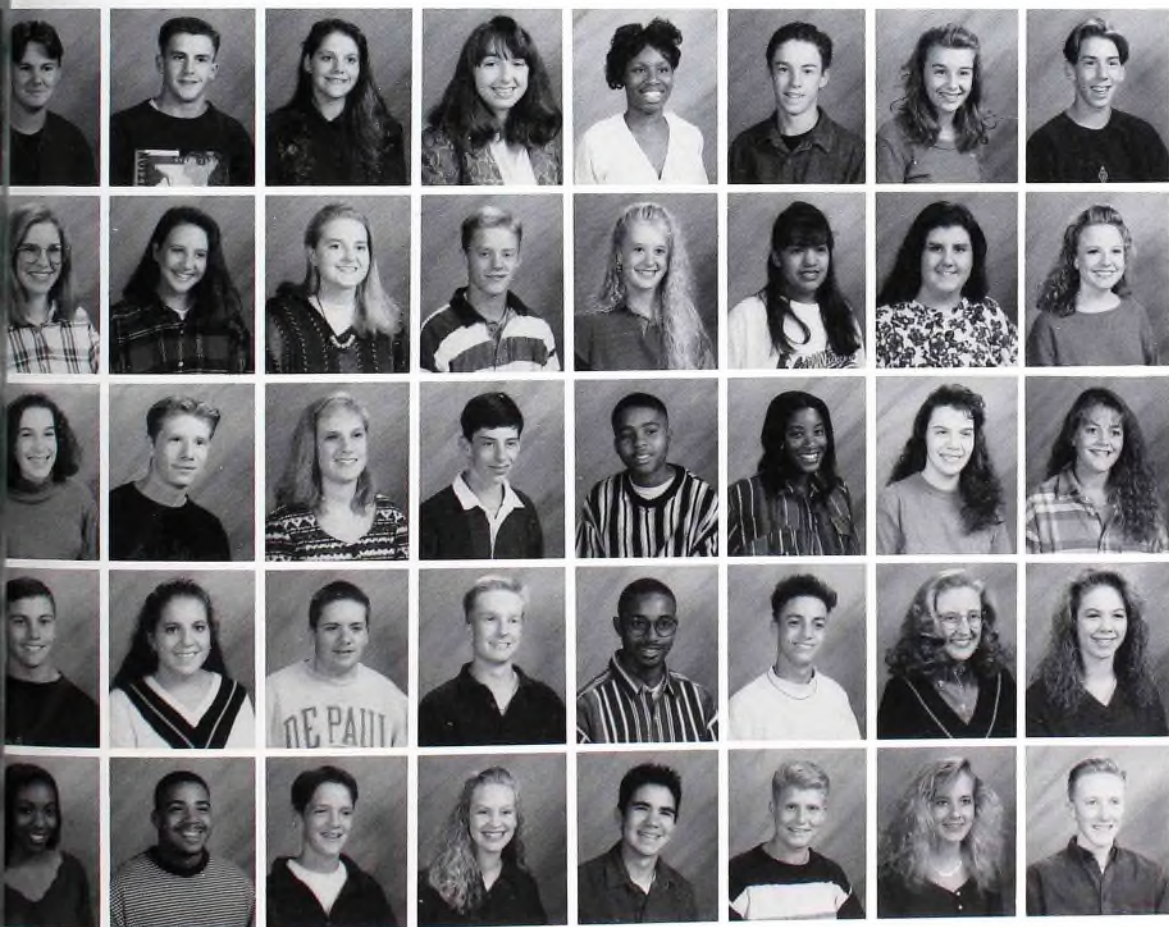
"I'm working at the Francis House, where they feed homeless people. I go in at five o'clock and set up. I also bring out food, clean up, and make sack lunches. I think that it feels to to feed them an to know



that I am helping out.

"I volunteered at the Thomas Fitzgerald Veterans Home and helped old people play bingo," said junior James Bayer.

Preparing flowers for the NHS carnation sales, junior Kathy Echtenkamp spends her Saturday morning tying name tags. (photo by Kim Jiede)



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 Terrill Smith-9
 Joe Snell-9
 Amee Snyder-10
 Danielle Soby-9



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 Tyler Sohns-9
 Jeremy Solt-11
 Jaime Sortino-9
 Michael Sortino-10
 Brian Souba-10
 Michelle Spagnuolo-9



Get first paycheck & Watch it go

by Carla Mackie

Most high school students said the thing that they needed most was money. For most students that meant getting their first minimum wage job. At first, \$4.25 an hour sounded like a lot of money, but after receiving that first paycheck with all of the taxes taken out it didn't seem like much pay for all those hours work.

"My check was almost \$200 until they took taxes out," sophomore Val Cook said. "After taxes it was only about \$100."

Getting that first real check

was exciting. After getting their check, many students headed right for the mall where they found out just how far one check could go.

"I saved some, but I spent most of it on clothes," junior Angie Tank said. "It was the first time I was able to buy my own clothes." Purchasing clothes was one of the most common things students said their first check was spent on.

"I spent the whole thing on clothes," junior Micheala King said.

Although a lot of students spent their first pay check on

clothes and shopping, some spent their money on entertainment.

"I spent most of it on CD's," junior David Kulakofsky said. At over \$15 a CD, that probably did not take too long to do.



Answering the phone was just one of junior Charla Shurter's responsibilities Shurter worked part-time at Nobbies, 120th and Center. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)



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 Michael Steimer-9
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 Keith Stewart-11
 Layla Stewart-9

Sarah Stick-9
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 Jennifer Surber-10
 Heather Svanda-10
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 Angie Tank-11
 Christina Tanner-11
 Kerin Tate-10
 Adarryl Terrell-9
 Christina Tesar-9
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Jay Thiltgen-11
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Stephanie Tldmore-10
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Amanda Tollefson-9



Tracy Tompkins-10
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Cora Travers-10
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Wyatt Tuell-9
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Trisha Uden-10
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Jessica Walkup-10
Jeffrey Wallace-11
Keshonna Wallace-9
Paul Walters-9
Rachel Warne-10
Theodore Waters-9



Courtney Watkins-9
Kevin Weale-10
Alyssa Wedemeyer-10
Brian Wegehaupt-9
Jace Wegge-9
Leigh Wehner-10
Well Michael-11



Andrew Wells-10
Lena Weinman-9
Thomas Weis-9
Dustin Weiss-10
Zachary Weiss-11
Jeffrey Wemhoff-11
Brian Werner-10



Phyllis Brooks-9
Fara Nita Dunbar-9



Hours away from school Jam-packed

by Carla Mackie



Part of sophomore Tom Bizzarri's freetime was spent at his church's youth group. Many high school youth groups sponsored vacation trips and mission trips for their members. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Free time, for most students was a rarity, but when given choices about how they would spend their time most students said sleeping, shopping, or hanging out.

"In my free time I go out with my friends, go shopping, or sleep," junior Mary Ann Jenkins said.

Many students were involved in sports in which they also participated in during their spare time. "I enjoy participating in sports, sleeping, or just hanging out with friends," junior Nick Eastland said. "I go out with my

friends and do sports."

Did students do anything but sleep, shop, hang out with friends, or participate in sports?

Junior Lori Citta said, "I don't have any free time during the week. I'm either at school or at work. The weekends are about the only free-time I have, and I spend that time with my friends since I don't have time to see them during the week."

Many students spent what would have been their free time working.

"I spend almost all of my

freetime working at Albertson's on the weekends," sophomore Mike Ferber said. "I work about every night during the week, too so the only free time I have is when I'm sleeping."



- Tamarra West-9
- Troy Whitmarsh-9
- Heather Wickes-10
- Molly Wickham-10
- Ryan Wiebe-10
- Lori Wies-10
- Todd Wiese-10
- Scott Wright-11

- Angela Williams-10
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- Jeffrey Williamson-11
- Aaron Wills-11
- Alyssa Wilson-11
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- Pat Woodman-10
- Jillene Worley-11
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- Brian Yaghoutfam-11
- Lynn Yancey-11
- Garrett Young-9
- Cathy Younger-9
- Thomas Zagozda-11
- Joseph Zbylut-10
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Pat Frederick
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Using time off To travel

by Carla Mackie & Pat Woodman

Summertime was not just for students' relaxation. Several teachers used their time away from school to take relaxing trips to other countries. Dave Ross, an economics teacher, took a trip to Russia for an economical overview.

"I went to Russia and got all new insights on how the economy worked over there," Ross said. "I gained information that I now use in my economics classes practically every day."

Rich Hood, chemistry, biology, and human growth and development instructor, took an exciting and enchanting trip to England.

"My trip to England this summer was probably more

fun than it was educational. Several teachers used their time away from school to take relaxing trips to other countries. Dave Ross, an economics teacher, took a trip to Russia for an economical overview.

got a chance to view the light side of the British life," Hood said. "I saw what they did their free time and tried to do what they did. Like the famous saying, 'when in Rome do what the Romans do!'"

Art teacher DreAnn Hadash took a trip to Pakistan over summer and developed a new look on life.

"The trip to Pakistan this summer that I and many other teachers took, was a profoundly educational experience. The trip really opened my eyes and made me see how good I really have it. Now whenever my students complain, I tell them about the children in Pakistan."



During his study trip to Russia, social studies teacher Dave Ross poses in London while waiting for his plane. (photo by Mike Young)





Overlooking a scenic landmark at the Grand Canyon, Susan Reiman-Garland pulls her kids together for a quick picture. (photo courtesy of Susan Reiman-Garland)



On a ski trip in beautiful Colorado, English teacher Mary Kay Hart poses with her brothers in law. (photo courtesy of Mary Kay Hart)



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Amer. Cultures
Lillie Holmes
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Swimming, Sen. Senate
Nancy Haverman
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Dev. Res. Center
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Work, family, fun require Balancing

Carla Mackie & Pat Woodman

Students were not the only people who needed to balance their time, teachers did too. Many teachers also had to do the balancing act to keep their lives in order.

"I try to get all my schoolwork done at school functions," said home economics teacher Nancy Burkhart. "My spouse also gives me a great support system."

Burkhart's thoughts were echoed by those of Julie Ermel, another home ec teacher. "When I get home I'm a mother first. The school work is kept at school so that I can focus on what's important. My husband helps a lot," Ermel said.

Not only were children time consuming, but so were teacher's civic activities. Some work ten hours at school, do homework for about two hours at night and sometimes on the weekend. I also choose to teach night school once a week," teacher Dave Hays said. "During elections I get involved in the campaigns for the candidates of my choice. Teacher Molly Witzendorn said, "I don't have a life during the week and on the weekends I take one day completely off." For teachers, the balancing of time was very important and everyone had their own different methods.



Assistant Principals Diane Caldwell and Nancy Faber serve junior Adam Lundgren a piece of cake during the school's 30th birthday celebration. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

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Club, V. Volleyball

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Phys. Sci., SEA, Frosh. B.
Basketball

Dennis Pekula
Security

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Michaela Reilly
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Susan Reiman-Garland
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Latin Club

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Fund., Small Engine Fund,
Wrestling, FCA

De Schmierer
Career Center

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Adv. Pottery, Pottery, Art Club

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History, Boys JV Basketball

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Boys Golf

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Exploratory Art, Pottery, Fr.
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Asst Coach JV Baseball,
Intramural Bowling





Counselor Al Rowch helps a parent during September's Open House. Evening responsibilities forced many staff members to juggle their away-from school responsibilities. (photo by Cherie Connors)

At the Ice Cream Sundae feed sponsored by Marriott, secretary Lois Hynek, and teachers Loma Howard and Becky Kadel get ready to feast. The Ice Cream Sundaes were just one of many activities sponsored by Burke's Adopt-A-School partners. (photo by Ben Cichowski)



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Type 1
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Beg Yrbk, Adv Yrbk, Newspaper,
Hons News, Yrbk, Beg, Journ
Marilyn Warner
English 5-6, Hons English 3-4,
Japanese 1-2
Charles Watt
Biology 1-2, AP Bio, Hon Bio
Peggy Whitmore
Spanish 1-2, 3-4, Student
Government, PPC

Bryan Watkins
French 3-4, 1-2, International
Business, Japanese 3-4, 5-6
Holly Willart
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Club
Cherry Witham
Counselor (FGINWZ)

Molly Witzenburg
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1-2, MESA
Michael Young
Social Studies Dept Head, A.P.
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History, Key Club

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MATTER OF

FACT

Even if you weren't the type who recalculated your grades after every quiz, you had to admit that your grades did matter. For some, the difference between passing and not passing would mean the difference between walking across the stage on May 25, or crawling into summer school on June 6.

For some of us, one or two percentage points would determine whether we would be watching 20/20 with mom and dad or driving to Friday night's game with a carload of friends. When mid-quarter reports approached, nearly all of us suddenly became concerned with our grades, and some students became interested in the U.S. mail delivery schedule as well. "At least write a good comment! Say something nice!" begged pleading students as they watched their grades being recorded.

Balancing academics with the rest of our lives was hard. Somehow, memorizing Plank's constant just wasn't as fun as giving the details of last week's date, but we knew it couldn't be avoided. As a matter of fact, without classes we wouldn't be able to make new friends and maybe even find something to do for the upcoming weekend.

Some of us were all we could be and took the stressful classes with tough reputations. Others kicked back and relaxed with stress-buster classes like speech and human growth.

Every once and awhile, we all got a break and got to go to a pep rally or assembly to get that school spirit all revved up. But we were quickly brought back to reality as deadlines approached and papers were due. And just when you got into the working mode, the computer jammed up and all of our precious work was lost. Despite all of the distractions, most of us did find the time for work and still saved time for play.

by
Jeff
Jorgensen





"Eeeeeee," freshman Angela Peoples sings as she warms up during Voice Class under the direction of instructor Merlin Lempke. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Exact measuring is important as freshmen Michael Kricksfield, Wendy Christensen, and Stephanie Diamantis whip up a batter in French class. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Encouraging an Edison student with her illustration, senior Amy Schaeppi helps the fifth grader get a contest entry ready. (photo by Jaime Zuhlke)

CREATIVE

ELECTIVES GAVE STUDENTS A CHANCE TO MAKE SOMETHING AND BE CREATIVE

A mound of clay.

A blank computer screen.

A strip of silver.

These were just a few supplies students needed to complete their creative courses.

Pottery, always a popular class, was taught by Carolyn Schmitz.

"Pottery allows you to be yourself and lets you use your own creative mind in the pieces you make," freshman Garrett Young said.

Beginning and advanced pottery classes were both full-year courses. Students made clay tablets, coil pots, and other hand building projects first semester. During second semester, students learned how to use the potter's wheel. Advanced pottery worked mostly on the potter's wheel and designed beautiful shapes.

Other art classes were just as popular. Applied Design was a great class for students who liked to make jewelry.

"Making silver rings was my favorite activity throughout the whole year," sophomore Lindsay Dillman said.

A new art class was

Advanced Placement Studio Art. The students would draw a picture, then had to analyze and write what the picture meant. Students also spent a lot of time preparing their portfolios.

"I really enjoyed AP Studio Art because it gave me a break from all my other classes," senior Eric Krelle said.

Students in Interior Design learned how to decorate the inside of houses.

"Interior Design challenged students to use their creativity and helped them find a more comfortable way to live," senior Cory Mann said.

Other home economics classes focused on food preparation and creating clothing.

Students in

Stage Craft, Hobbies and Crafts, and other industrial technology courses got the chance to use a variety of tools when building projects.

"I liked learning about all the different tools to use," senior Dan Hannah said.

"I'm glad Burke offers a lot of electives because I can take a class that I like," freshman Terese Jung said.

"MAKING SILVER RINGS WAS MY FAVORITE ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR."
—LINDSEY DILLMAN, 10

Smoothing the edges on her pottery project, sophomore Mindy Matkins aims for perfection. Pottery was a popular elective. (photo by Matt Nabity)

AP Art student senior Brigid Freymuler puts the finishing touches on her watercolor project. AP Art students had to complete a portfolio. (photo by Chris Wormley)



Carefully cutting out her pattern, sophomore Katherine Biddle keeps an eye out for notches. (photo by Cherie Connors)



French 3-4 students sophomore Janelle Fay, freshman Wyatt Tuell and sophomore Alicia Fiserman mix up some bread dough. (photo by Cherie Connors)



BY LAURA SIDES

quiz

Even when we were being creative, we had to have a basic working knowledge of the equipment and terminology. How much do you remember?

1. How many coats of glaze do you need to use?
 - a. 1
 - b. 2
 - c. 3
 - d. 4
2. How many times does it take to fire a piece of pottery?
 - a. 1
 - b. 2
 - c. 3
 - d. 4
3. What artist is known for black and white allusion drawing?
 - a. M.C. Escher
 - b. Van Gogh
 - c. De Vinci
 - d. Picasso
4. What are the three primary colors?
 - a. purple, green, black
 - b. red, yellow, blue
 - c. blue, white, orange
 - d. red, pink, grey
5. Who was a famous Pueblo Potter?
 - a. Maria Martinez
 - b. Mr. Thomas
 - c. Mrs. Schmitz
 - d. José Cuadro
6. Which is not a stage of clay as it becomes a complete piece?
 - a. Bisque
 - b. Leather-hard
 - c. Greenware
 - d. Stoneware

ANSWERS
1. c; 2. b; 3. a; 4. b; 5. a; 6. d.

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breaks from classes

Listen, take notes, quiz, review, study, test. Listen, take notes, quiz, review, study, test. Listen, take notes, quiz, review, study, test.

Sometimes the routine of school almost drove us to the edge. If it weren't for those little interruptions that broke up the monotony, we would have probably gone crazy.

Although any break was better than no break, some were more fun than others. Let's face it, taking the CAT test for 5 periods was a break, but it wasn't exactly the blast we wanted!

Here's a list of some of the very best breaks we could take:

10. Go to bathroom. Anything to get out of class!

9. Study in groups. Well, at least pretend to study.

8. Go outside for a fire drill. Unless you had a class in the portable, it might be your only chance to check out the weather.

7. Work in computer lab. At least it was someplace new.

6. Go to the library.

5. Research college options in the College/Career center.

4. Attend pep rallies.

3. Talk with friends.

2. Eat lunch, hopefully with friends.

1. Sleep. The best escape of all.

Seniors Ashleigh Echols, Missy Harms and Pat Coons use study hall time to work on a class project together. (photo by Chris Wormley)

Seniors use passing period to visit and change books. The one-minute warning bell helped students avoid tardies. (photo by Laura Sides)



Before tackling his homework, senior Eric Krelle puts the finishing touches on his banner encouraging the Varsity Basketball team as they headed to State. (photo by Matt Nability)

On the first day of school, students use the passing period to find their next classroom and to try their locker combinations. (photo by Ann Manchester)





Junior Eddie Lund checks out the selections on the lunch line. A computerized lunch system sped lines. (photo by Chris Wormley)

BREAKS

TAKING TIME OFF DURING SCHOOL FOR MUCH NEEDED



Fifth hour study hall students try to make the most of their split-lunch study time. Many students found the auditorium wasn't an ideal place for getting homework done. (photo by Chris Wormley)

Students use passing period to make plans for the night's big game against Prep in the opening round of the State Basketball Tournament. (photo by Chris Wormley)

Ding, ding. Ding, ding. One minute until the tardy bell. The 60-second warning chimes, introduced in the fall, were popular with most students.

"I like the chimes," senior Brian Maschka said. "I can chill with my friends and know I won't be late to my class."

The intent of the warning bell was to help students avoid being late to class. Even with a warning, some students cut it short and would be seen racing down the halls.

"I liked to talk to my friends and usually had to run to my next class, so I wouldn't be late," senior Sara Jaros said.

Some students looked forward to other breaks in the day.

For many students, lunch was one of the only breaks from schoolwork and teachers.

"Lunch allowed me to be with my friends," senior Zach McDermot said.

Some students used their 30-minute break to cram for afternoon tests or to finish their homework they didn't do the night before.

Study halls were

another opportunity to go to the library, the College/ Career Center, or go see a teacher. Some students would go to the Success Center to get help with their homework from another student.

"My study hall gives me a break from my classes and allows me to relax," senior Travis Manners said.

Other students used their study halls to go to the library, either to get research information for a report, or because it was a quieter environment. A lot of times, students could meet friends from another study hall in the library.

Pep rallies were another time to take a break from the school day. The cheerleaders

and the pom-pom squad did their best to boost the spirits of the student body.

"It seemed this year the students enjoyed our performances much better than last year," Varsity cheerleader Kim Faiman said.

Besides pep rallies, assemblies and fire drills were something to look forward to both got us out of class.

"I LIKE THE CHIMES. I CAN CHILL WITH MY FRIENDS AND KNOW I WON'T BE LATE."
—BRIAN MASCHKA
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BY LAURA SIDES

MAP TESTS & VOCABULARY QUIZZES WERE JUST A FEW OF THE PLACES WE USED OUR

MEMORIES MEMORIES

Even though most teachers tried to emphasize hands-on experiences, memorization was still a key element in many courses. Whether it was memorizing verb conjugations for French or learning the keyboard for Typing -I, there came a time for nearly all of us when we just had to sit down and commit things to memory.

Foreign language students learned the basics: reading, writing, and speaking in the language, the structure of the language, and the cultures of the people that spoke the language.

Many students found that flash cards came in handy when trying to learn vocabulary words.

"I used to write the vocabulary words over and over again," sophomore David Owings said. "Latin was a fun class though."

Memorizing vocabulary words was also a skill Word Study students learned.

Another class that required memorization was Geography. Stu-

dents learned about physical and topographical features of the Earth, cultural differences, and map usage. Memorization was especially important for the weekly place-name tests.

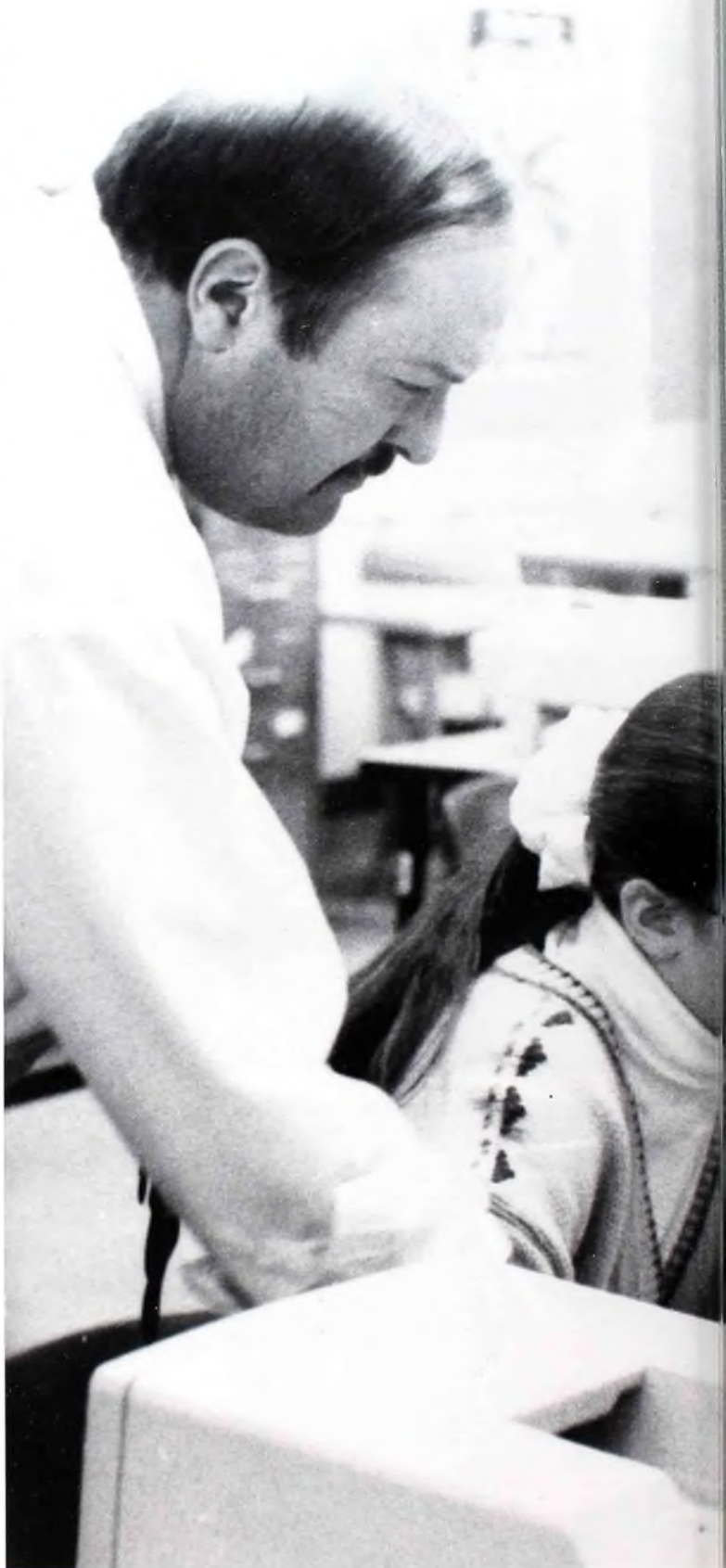
"I didn't think it was hard to memorize cities for Geography," freshman Paul Nabity said. "It just took a little time."

Keyboarding/Word processing classes also made students use their memories.

These classes taught the touch method of operating a computer or word processing keyboard. It took a lot of practice before most students' fingers could fly over the keyboard without looking at their fingers.

Practice was also a must for Speech and Debate students. Before a competition, students gave their speech over and over to classmates. Debate students worked on strategies with their 4-member team. Team members tried to commit key points to their memory so the information would be there during contests.

"I DIDN'T
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GEOGRA-
PHY."
—PAUL
NABITY, 9



BY JEFF LEANNA

quiz

Memory came into play in many subjects. How much do you remember?

1. With what finger do you hit the “;”?
 - a. Right pinkey
 - b. Left right finger
 - c. Right pointer
 - d. Left pointer
2. How do you say “cat” in Spanish?
 - a. Perro
 - b. Gaucho
 - c. Gatto
 - d. Calor
3. What is the capital of Israel?
 - a. Tel Aviv
 - b. Jerusalem
 - c. Nazareth
 - d. Haifa
4. How do you say “no” in German?
 - a. Ya
 - b. No
 - c. Neun
 - d. Nein
5. Where is the Grand Canyon?
 - a. Arizona
 - b. Nevada
 - c. Colorado
 - d. New Mexico
6. With what finger do you hit the “z” key?
 - a. Left thumb
 - b. Left pinkey
 - c. Right pinkey
 - d. Right pointer
7. What is the capital of France?
 - a. Dijon
 - b. Colon
 - c. Paris
 - d. Debuque

ANSWERS
1. a; 2. c; 3. b; 4. d; 5. a; 6. b; 7. c

Experiencing a temporary set-back on her Geometry assignment, freshman Heather Otto gets some help from teacher Kent Graham. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Using the last few minutes of class, senior Jessica Chandler finishes her Speech assignment. (photo by Chris Wormley)

JROTC students listen attentively to junior Bettina Bush's directions. (photo courtesy of JROTC)



Spanish teacher Peggy Whitmore helps freshmen Jason Mortensen and Justin Riddle with their project. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Concentrating on her text, freshman Carrie Ausdemore works on her Keyboarding assignment. (photo by Cherie Connors)

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"it's a bad day" clues

Everyone had at least one a year. Those mornings when everything that could go wrong did, and you knew it was not going to be your day. Those days when you woke up late, the hot water ran out while you were rinsing your hair, and the car wouldn't start, or you missed your ride, were the worst! They were more than a clue: some days you kept seeing bright neon lights flashing "Today is not your day! Go back to bed!" everywhere you went.

Just in case you couldn't tell if your day was going the wrong way, here's a list of clues that you were having one of "those" days:

10. You get to school early, but it's a snow day.
9. You trip up the main stairs.
8. You go in the wrong class.
7. You rear-end the principal's car on the way to school.
6. You run out of gas.
5. You spill your lunch.
4. When you come to school you find out you have 3 tests.
3. You lock the keys in the car.
2. You head out for the library at 7:30 to finish a paper due the next day, but the library is closed because it's a holiday.
1. You realize you stayed up until 3 a.m. to finish a paper that isn't due until next week.

Senior Frank Novotny gets thrown by a classmate in Judo. In Judo, which was offered for the first time as alternative to PE 3-4, students practiced self-defense moves. (photo by Chris Wormley)



Beat managing editor senior Susie Shackman pastes up the center spread. Shackman was responsible for the final check of all pages. (photo by Matt Nability)



Aquatics students sophomore Damion Williams and junior Bob Sullivan practice life saving techniques under instructor Rich Hood's supervision. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Fourth hour Judo students listen intently as instructor Delo Lee opens class. Judo was one of many new P.E. classes. (photo by Matt Nability)



Juniors Roy Baca and Tony Ciani experience one of the sure signs that their day is not going right. Students who accumulated too many tardies ended up spending a day in ISS. (photo by Cherie Connors)

UNIQUE

FIRST-TIME COURSE OFFERINGS ALLOW STUDENTS TO EXPERIENCE SOMETHING



AP art student senior Eric Krelle works on layering techniques for his project. AP Studio Art was one of several new classes offered. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Sophomore Lance Larsen practices rescuing junior Bob Sullivan during Advanced Aquatics. Aquatics students prepared for the WSI exam. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Imagine being in the same old gym class or not being able to check the engine on your car. Not any more! Many new classes were added to the curriculum to give students more of a selection of classes.

Honors Humanities was created to prepare freshman and sophomores for Advanced Humanities.

"Honors Humanities helped prepare me for the PSAT's and testing," sophomore Jenny Rowedder said.

Six Physical Education classes were added: Judo, Light Weight Training, Aerobics, Individual Sports, Team Sports and Advanced Aquatics.

Sophomore Brad Holmes said, "I thought Judo would be a change, and I thought it'd be fun."

Honors Newspaper was for students who had been on a publication staff for one year already, and AP Studio Art, which was for seniors with four semesters of art.

Senior Eric Krelle said AP Art was fun because, "You can do anything you want and use any medium you want."

Honors Newspaper students focused on the history of journalism.

In Principles of Accounting, students learned, "Advanced principles and keeping books," senior Jason Yoo said. And in Advanced

Speech students studied many forms of competitive speech activities. Sophomore Don Gilpin said "We have to make our own speech, make cuts, work on it, and take it to the tournaments."

Another challenging course was AP Calculus BC, a college level course.

Car Care was great for students with their own cars. They learned about engine tune-ups, safety with cars and parts of an engine.

Students with a special interest in

business could choose to take Computer Information Management.

In Computer Information Management students learned basic concepts of word processing, spreadsheets, data base, graphics and desktop publishing.

Instrumental Ensemble students worked in small groups with individualized instruction.

"HUMANITIES HELPED PREPARE ME FOR THE PSAT AND TESTING" — JENNY ROWEDDER 10

BY ABBY ROGERS

IN-CLASS WORK HELPS STUDENTS GET GROUNDED IN

REALITY ABILITY

Expanding students' horizons and preparing for the real world were two goals of popular electives. Business Law, Marketing, Accounting, Family Living, and Human Growth were just a few of the many electives available to students who were looking for reality-based classes.

Car Care, a new elective, was for students who wanted to learn the parts of the engine, how to change oil, and how to change a tire.

"I really enjoyed Car Care class, especially when I learned how to change a tire," senior Sarah Fredstrom said.

Business Law was a great class for students who wanted to pursue a career in Law. Students studied court procedures and talked about which court to go to when in trouble.

"The best activity all year was when the class went down to the court house and experienced a real life trial," senior Matt Wiebe said.

Accounting was another challenging elective class many students took. Students learned about financial papers for busi-

ness and how to journal business transactions.

"Accounting was a real learning experience everyday," senior Scott Newland said.

The most popular Home Economics class was Family Living. Students learned functions of marriage and parenting roles. An activity the students looked forward to throughout the year was carrying around their fish babies. The students took care of their babies all day and had to find baby-sitters for them if they couldn't watch them.

"It was a nice change from regular classes like math, science, history, and English," senior Ann Silverman said.

In Human Growth and Development students learned about decision-making skills related to physical, emotional and social points of life.

"I enjoyed Human Growth because I thought that the teachers made learning about sometimes uncomfortable subjects fun," sophomore Jill Harrington said.

Studying the latest business journals, juniors Chris Batchelder, Chris Bechtold and senior Stacy Kretchmer answer questions in Marketing class. Students learned sales strategies and business fundamentals in the business program. (photo by Chris Wormely)

Using Pagemaker, junior Jeff Connor revises his pages for the *Burke Beat*. The journalism department received 12 new computers to speed up their work. (photo by Matt Nabity)



"ACCOUNTING WAS A REAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE."
—SCOTT NEWLAND, 12


BY LAURA SIDES

quiz


You've made it this far! Congratulations! But how much do you remember from your reality-based courses?

1. When should a person change the oil in a car?
 - a. every month
 - b. 2 months
 - c. 3 months
 - d. 4 months
2. How many Judicial Courts are there?
 - a. 10
 - b. 9
 - c. 13
 - d. 20
3. $Assets + Liability =$
 - a. Owner's Equity
 - b. Debits
 - c. Cost of merchandise sold
 - d. Revenue
4. What is the highest court in the land?
 - a. Judicial
 - b. Supreme
 - c. Small claims
 - d. Juvenile
5. What is changed when taking in your car for a tune-up?
 - a. Spark plugs
 - b. Check Fuel and Emission System
 - c. Measure Exhaust Emissions
 - d. All of the above.
6. What is the most common hand tool used?
 - a. Screwdriver
 - b. Hammer
 - c. Plier
 - d. Punch

ANSWERS
1. c; 2. c; 3. a; 4. b; 5. d; 6. a.



Typing in the business lab, sophomore Chris Smith calls up his report. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Exchange student Marc Fenet talks to a French class about bread. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Working to meet their copy deadline, junior Traci Mogil and seniors Shannon Holm, Sari Gilinski and Dave Hughbanks type their stories. (photo by Matt Nabity)



French students freshmen Carmen Simpson, Shillayne Davis and Russa Smith work together to review for a quiz. (photo by Cheri Connors)

During Marketing class junior Jeremy Martin listens attentively to Merl Gier's lecture. (photo by Chris Wormley)

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things said backstage

No matter if it was a play or a musical, you could hear funny little things being said behind the curtain. Whether someone was screaming about how he had left part of his costume in the dressing room or crying because her voice had gone hoarse right before her big song, the happenings backstage were usually amusing, to say the least.

Despite these little "problems," the productions usually turned out just fine.

Here's a list of the funniest or most heard things behind the stage:

10. Would you happen to know my line?
9. Did I hit my notes?
8. Where's Doty?
7. Get out of my dressing room!!
6. Why isn't the drop down yet?
5. Help! I forgot my cues!
4. Get out of the wings!!
3. Where's my costume? Has someone seen my costume? It was here a minute ago! Do you have my costume? Someone, help!
2. What scene are we on?
1. Don't forget: if you can see them they can see you!

Voice Class students sophomore Jenny McMahon, Michelle Howe, freshmen Marlin Sams, and Dejuane Griffin go over their parts on a new song. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Rehearsing their lines for a class project, sophomores Robbie-Jo Haagenson and Laurie Epstein try to memorize cues. Many of those involved in productions were also in drama classes or stage craft. (photo by Chris Wormley)



Adviser Debi Ward gives layout editor junior Lisa Coren a little assistance. (photo by Matt Nability)



Senior Dan Vlach uses a blow torch to weld a piece of metal. (photo by Matt Nability)



Putting the final touches on his art project, freshman Sean Z, aims for precision. Art classes were popular electives. (photo by X Y)



TALENTED

SUCCESS CAME NATURALLY IN THE FINE ARTS TO THOSE WHO WERE

In some classes talent was a prerequisite. Students had to possess some sort of musical or acting ability, or at least desire, to be successful in music or drama classes. It helped to be mechanical and have a sense of design when working in the industrial technology labs. And writing talent sure came in handy in journalism and yearbook classes.

Electives that relied more on performance and skill than on testing ability were welcomed by the talented.

Vocal music students could choose from a wide variety of classes ranging from Chorus to Ensemble.

"I took Vocal Music, because I enjoy singing and I like to perform," junior Albertine Moore said.

In Chorus, students rehearsed, performed, and studied a variety of choral literature.

"I liked chorus a lot," sophomore Leigh Wehner said. "It was fun to perform, especially at All-City."

Concert Choir students studied advanced choral literature as well as performed at a variety of vocal concerts. Selected students

got to perform at All-City and All-State.

Members of the premier choral group, Vocal Ensemble, performed choreographed pop and jazz music at various public

events. Students tried out for the positions. Then they learned songs and dances, and they got to perform at various events and functions.

Instrumental groups like Concert Band and Marching Band were also popular. "I like band. It's a fun class to take, and I really enjoy playing at concerts and in marching band," junior Walter Wilman said.

Other instrumental choices included Stage Band and Orchestra.

Students interested in performing on stage in the plays and musicals

could take a drama class. Students learned the theory and application of dramatics in their first year of drama.

Stage Craft was also available to students wanting to learn practical applications of theater and work on the plays and musicals. Students worked on scenery and props for the plays and musicals.

"I TOOK VOCAL MUSIC BECAUSE I ENJOY SINGING, AND I LIKE TO PERFORM." — ALBERTINE MOORE, 11



Burke Beat layout editor junior Joan Daughton and sports reporter senior Mary Healey lead a workshop group of Columbian Elementary School sixth graders. The sixth graders were at Burke to learn about lead writing and staff organization. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Clarinet player junior Erica Lantz performs at the Janet Reno Assembly with Concert Band. (Cherie Connors)

BY JEFF LEANNA

EXPLORE EXPLORE

The solution bubbled over the beaker. The acidic smell of the chemicals filled the room. Next door, the room was filled with the stench of formaldehyde, as the students dissected a little frog.

From finding the formula for isopropyl alcohol to locating the esophagus of a frog, students explored many different topics.

Biology students studied plants, animals, genetics, and evolution. Dissecting was something different students got to do.

Freshman Kim Brothers said, "Dissecting was great because I got to see how the animals worked."

Students could take Chemistry after they had taken Biology.

Junior Cameron McCarthy said, "Chemistry was a fun class. I learned a lot about why things happen the way they do."

Juniors and seniors who took Physics explored the concepts of motion, dynamics, and energy.

Physical Science combined physics, chemistry, and earth.

Topics like geology,

meteorology, and oceanography were the focus of those in Earth Science, while Astronomy students got to meet in the Planetarium to learn about the solar system.

Students enjoyed learning about constellations, the creation of stars, how to graph stars, and black holes.

"I liked Astronomy because it made me think," senior Charlie Lessmann said.

Students who liked scientific research could have taken Honors Science Seminar. Students worked on one major experiment and entered it into competitions.

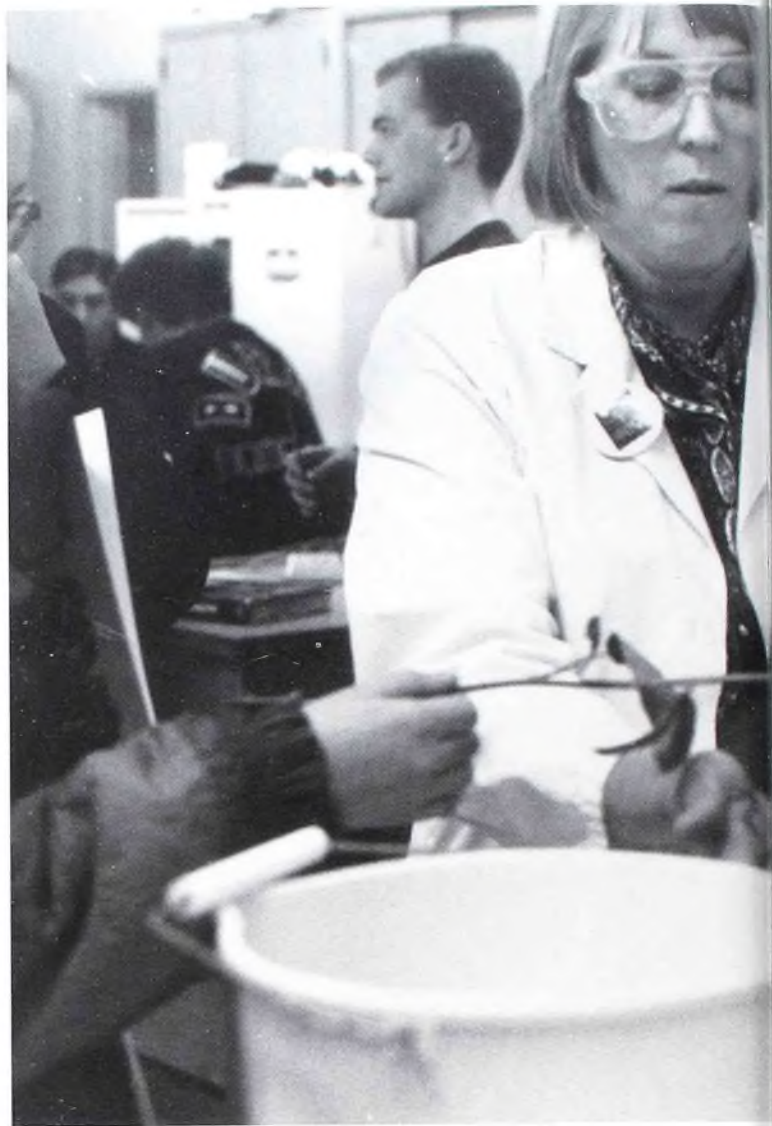
"I enjoy being able to choose and conduct my own research project," junior Brian Neary said.

Problem solving was also the focus of projects in Industrial Technology. Students used hydraulics, robotics arms, and C.N.C.

Human behavior was the focus in Psychology class.

"We learned about human behavior and why people do the things they do," senior Susie Shackman said.

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SHACKMAN
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Eighth hour Psychology students listen as teacher John Knickman goes over a quiz. Psychology was a popular elective for juniors and seniors. (photo by Matt Naby)

BY ABBY ROGERS

quiz

Even when you are exploring you need to know some basic facts. See if you have what it takes.

1. What is "PV = K"?
 - a. Einstein's theory of relativity
 - b. Plank's constant
 - c. Boyle's Law
 - d. None of the above
2. What is the HR Diagram?
 - a. a graph of the stars.
 - b. a model of the heart
 - c. a model to explain home runs
 - d. a graph of the human mind
3. What is in the nucleus of an atom?
 - a. yolk
 - b. electrons
 - c. protons and neutrons
 - d. b and c
4. What is needed for photosynthesis?
 - a. sunlight
 - b. water
 - c. oxygen
 - d. all of the above
5. What is the kinetic theory?
 - a. the theory that matter is neither created nor destroyed.
 - b. the theory that people are always in motion.
 - c. the theory explaining how the earth was made
 - d. the theory explaining the movement of stars.
6. What is a Punnett square?
 - a. half of a Rubik's cube
 - b. a chart with all of the chemical elements on it
 - c. the square root of -i
 - d. a genetic chart

ANSWERS: 1. c; 2. a; 3. b; 4. d; 5. a; 6. d.



Science teacher Becky Kadel freezes roses with liquid nitrogen during a demonstration at 8th grade Open House. Kadel taught biology and chemistry. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Senior Heather Trect and junior Michelle Kulti work hard in their lab write-ups during AP Chemistry. Many college bound students took this advanced science class. (photo by Chris Wormely.)



Students in Becky Kadel's science class learn about the importance of cooperation firsthand. (photo by Cherie Connors.)

Careful not to spill, sophomores Tracy Tompkins and Lynn Yancey work on a water displacement lab. Labs were an important part of science classes. (photo by Cherie Connors)

worst study habits

Study. Study. Study. We couldn't avoid it. Most of us had to know how to study in order to get things done.

It seemed like some people were born studiers, but others of us were natural procrastinators. Instead of going to a quiet place to study, many of us tried to study with our music blaring while laying out in the sun, or with the TV tuned in to the latest saga on *Beverly Hills 90210* and the phone attached to our ears.

Just for your reference, here is a list of the worst study habits ever.

10. Watching *Beavis and Butt-head* while trying to do chemistry.

9. Gabbing to your best friend on the phone while writing a theme.

8. Having your boy/girlfriend over to study.

7. Having all your good friends over for group study.

6. Worrying about whether everyone saw you trip up the stairs.

5. Opening up the windows on the nicest day of Spring.

4. Blaring your favorite CD.

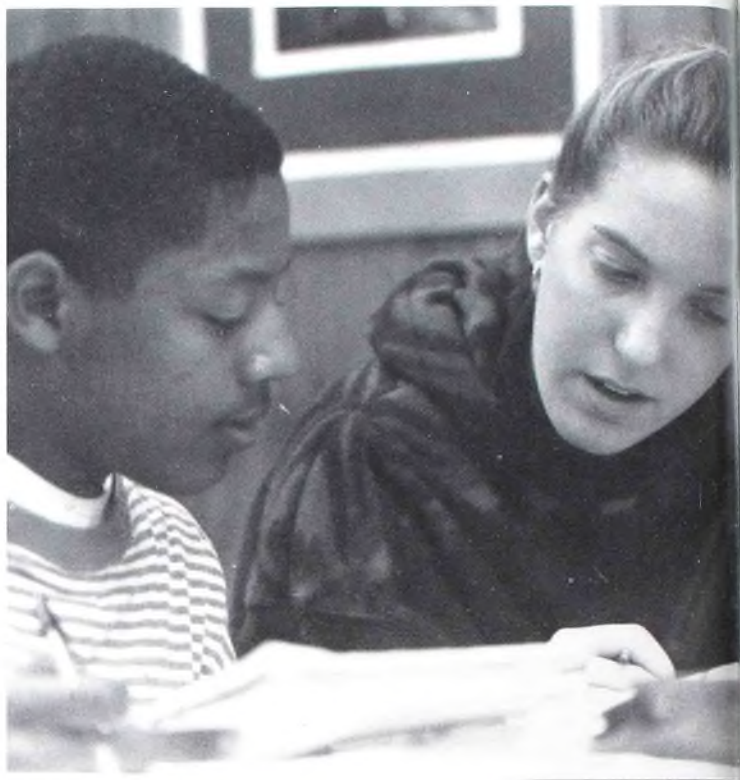
3. Starting your homework at 11 p.m.

2. Laying in your bed with your English anthology.

1. Not doing homework at all.

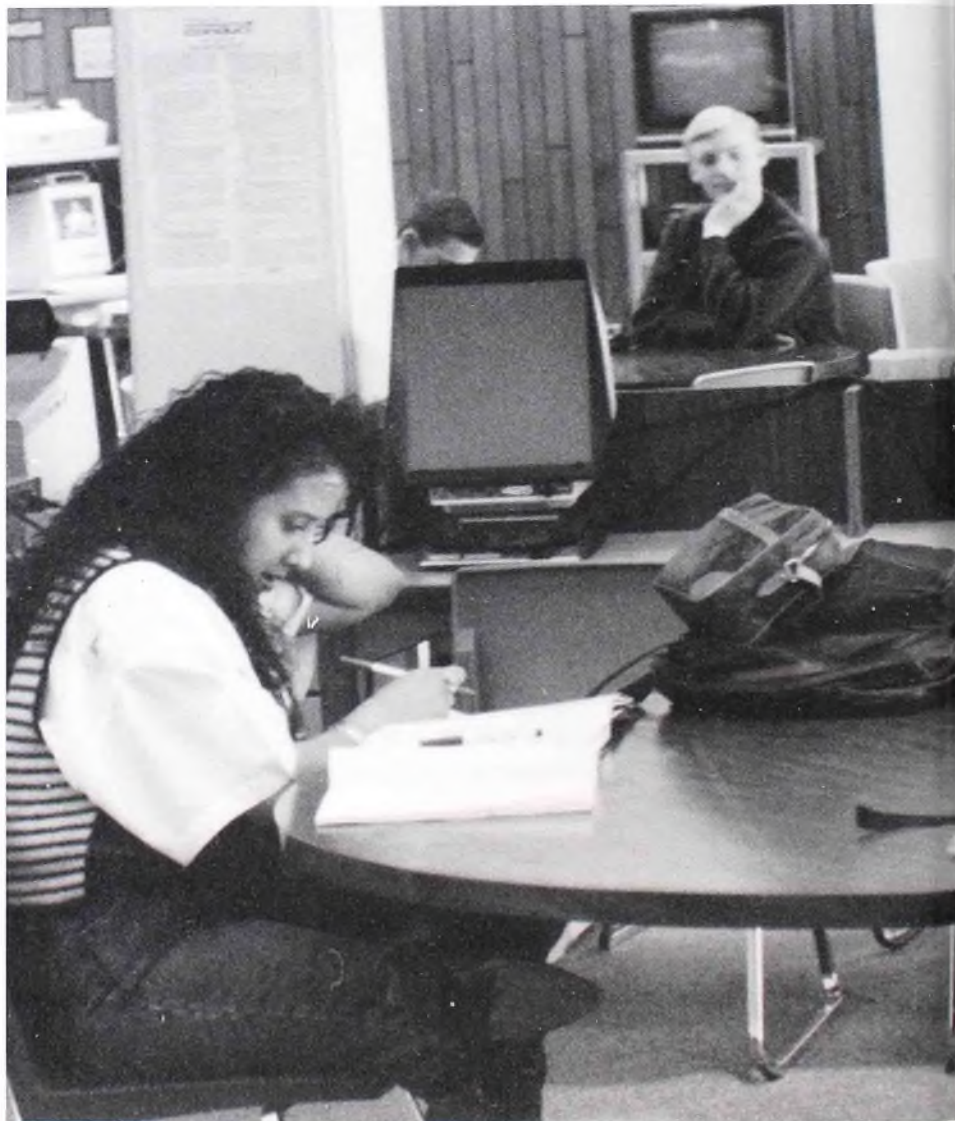


To prepare for the PSAT-NMSQT test, junior Jeff Connor wears his good luck symbols. All juniors took the PSAT in early October. (photo by Steve Saylor)



In the Student Success Center, freshman Curtis Johnson gets some help with his Algebra assignment from junior Lisa Coren. (photo by Chris Wormley)

The library is a popular place for students who needed to get research done, use Internet or work in groups. (photo by Matt Nabity)



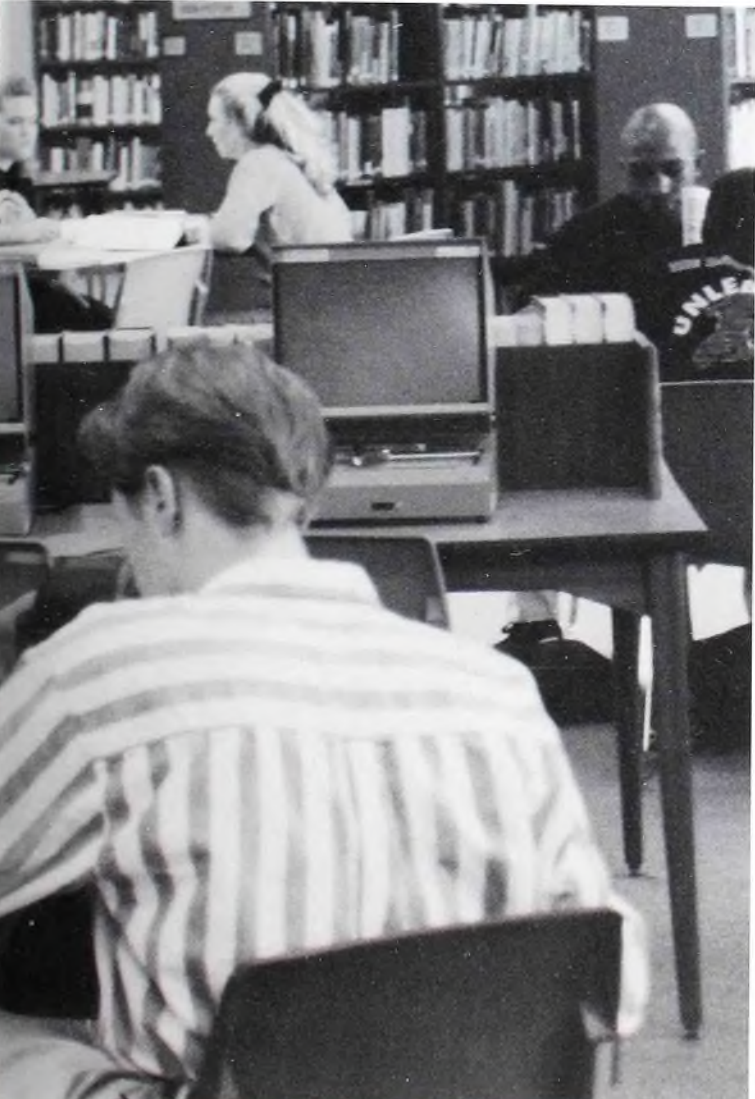
HABITS

TO PASS CLASSES, STUDENTS HAD TO DEVELOP SOME STUDY



Junior Erin Anstey uses some free time to work on her assignment. Like most students, Anstey tried to make the most of each minute. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Fourth hour Freshman Seminar students take advantage of their work time. Seminar students learned about study skills. (photo by Chris Wormley)



Homework was a big part of high school life. At least it was supposed to be.

"I do most of my homework in study hall or at night," senior Ann Silverman said. "I didn't study for tests. I look it over, but I don't usually spend a lot of time studying. I might have someone quiz me if I need it. That helps the best."

Along with lots of homework came better study habits. Some of us had more expertise in this area than others.

Junior Stephanie DePorte advised, "Don't procrastinate, study right when you get home from school, and don't study really late at night." Even though this was great advice, DePorte admitted that even she had occasional lapses of procrastination.

Homework procrastinators were famous for the last-minute rush. They would start their homework at midnight, or even worse, before homeroom.

It was a good thing that the computer lab was opened early in the morning. Many people found

themselves up at school early to get the required paper or project done or to get help from teachers.

Some people found that they depended on those night before study sessions (sometimes "cram" sessions) with friends. Study groups were popular among students because once in a while they found out that the teacher had given different information to different classes.

"To study for tests I just read over the material," senior Angie Vampola, a late-night studier said. "I also make flash cards or just write it over and over again."

Some people found the easiest way to get work done was in study hall. All study halls, ex-

cept those during the lunch period, were held in the cafeteria. However, after reporting to study hall, students could check out and go to the library to work on research or read quietly. Other study hall options included visiting a counselor, going to the Career Center or finding a teacher to get some individual help.

"I DO MOST OF MY HOMEWORK IN STUDY HALL OR AT NIGHT."
—ANN SILVERMAN, 12

BY JEFF LEANNA & ARRY ROGERS

IT TOOK A GREAT DEAL OF CREATIVITY TO MAKE SOMETHING THAT WAS AN

ORIGINAL ORIGINAL

Making something from scratch, whether it was a new dress or blueprints for a house, was a fun and often rewarding experience for students.

"I liked taking drafting because it challenged my creativity and drawing skills, and it was a lot of fun," sophomore Devin Flint said.

Architecture students got a chance to design and draw a house of their choice. AutoCad classes taught students drawing techniques using AutoCad computer software.

"Taking AutoCad is a good idea if you are looking toward a career in architecture or drafting because those areas are moving more toward computer aided technology," senior Rebecca Kubart said.

In Beginning Pottery students worked on hand-built pottery as well as wheel-made pottery. Advanced Pottery students worked with the wheel to create pottery projects as well as learning characteristics of clay types and the qualities of clay.

"I liked taking pottery class. It's a fun class to

take, and it gives me a chance to express my artistic ability," junior Walter Willman said.

Many home economic electives required creativity, but were practical at the same time.

"Sewing is fun," sophomore Brenda Poulsen said. "It's nice to know how to fix something on your own."

Sophomore Nederah Ross said she liked sewing because, "It makes me proud to wear something that I made."

Students who were more interested in writing stories or designing layouts for publication could have taken Beginning Journalism or Beginning Yearbook. Much of the class was spent teaching students to use the computer when creating

their stories or page designs. After the beginning classes, students could apply for one of the production staffs.

"I was really surprised at how many different ways there are to write a lead," Beginning Journalism student sophomore Scott Fortkamp said.

Junior Jason Schmitz perfects his design using the CAD lab. In the Spring, the CAD lab got new computers. (photo by Matt Nabity)



During a lecture by Marv Lodes drafting students sophomore Matt Saathoff, freshman Josh Neal and sophomore Kerry Schmidt take careful notes. (photo by Chris Wormley)



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—DEVIN
FLINT, 10



BY JEFF LEONNA

quiz

Making things from scratch was not as easy as it looked. Basic knowledge was needed to understand the concepts and processes involved in designing and making something. Did you have the basics down? Find out.

1. What does "CAD" stand for?
 - a. California Achievement Desks
 - b. Computer Assisted Drafting
 - c. Cats and Dogs
 - d. Computer Aided Design
2. What is "Push it down. Drop it down. Take it over. Take it back?"
 - a. Directions to put hospital corners on your sheets
 - b. The perspective "chant" to find true size
 - c. How a wrestler beats his opponent
 - d. A football cheer
3. What is the first paragraph of a newspaper or yearbook story called?
 - a. The lead
 - b. The beginning
 - c. The opening
 - d. The heading
4. What is the standard seam?
 - a. 5/8 inch
 - b. 1/2 inch
 - c. 3/4 inch
 - d. 1 inch
5. What are isometric and cavalier drawings?
 - a. Perspective drawings
 - b. Very difficult
 - c. 3-D drawings
 - d. Geometric shapes

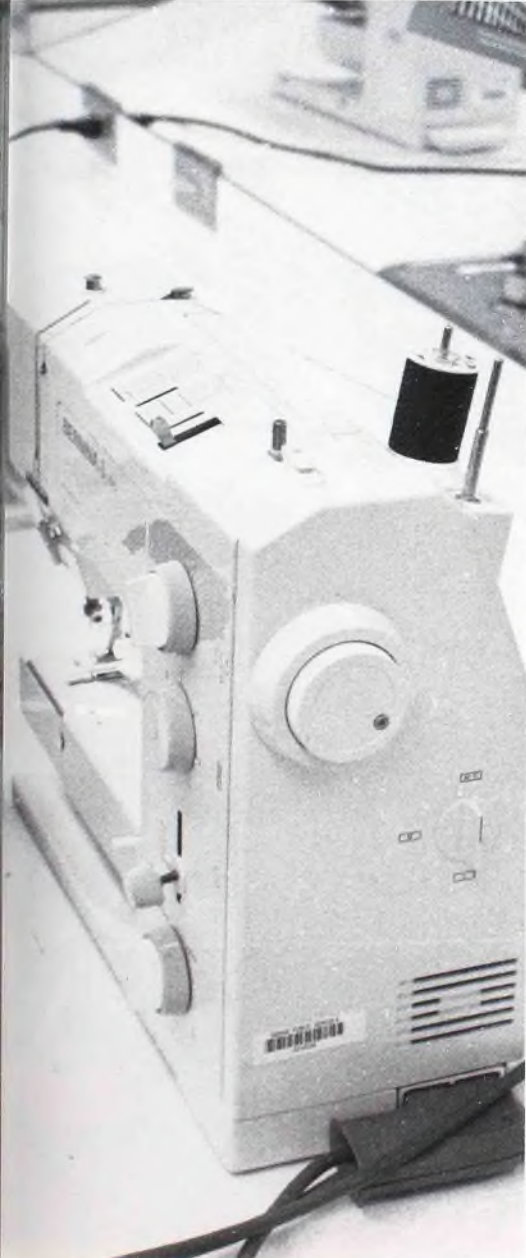
ANSWERS
1. d; 2. b; 3. a; 4. a; 5. c

Former newspaper staff members hold a press conference for the Beginning Journalism class about college journalism. (photo by Kelly O'Donnell)



After finishing her seam, sophomore Brenda Poulsen rips out her basting stitches. (photo by Matt Nabity)

Beginning Newspaper student junior Autumn Rice carefully finishes her newspaper layout. (photo by Kelly O'Donnell)



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best excuses for not having homework done

Whether it was because you were sicker than a dog, or you forgot your book in your locker in your mad dash to get home, or you just plain forgot about it, you probably tried to make up an original excuse for not having your required assignment done.

Two excuses that gained popularity everyday were that your printer ran out of paper or that the printer's ribbon ran out of ink. One that most likely didn't work anymore was that your dog or cat ate it.

Here's a list of excellent excuses only tried occasionally:

10. I was up all night doing other homework.
9. My mom is a fanatic cleaner, and she threw it away.
8. My locker is permanently stuck, so I can't get it.
7. I washed it in my jeans pocket.
6. My locker partner took it.
5. My mom made me clean my room, so I didn't have time to do it.
4. It's in my car, in the shop.
3. My little sister flushed it down the toilet.
2. The lab rats ate it in Chemistry class.
1. What assignment?!



Before heading to first hour English, sophomore Amy Isaacson stops at her locker to get an assignment. (photo by Mark Ward)

Juniors Leroy Landrum, Keith Christ, and Mike Gibilisco finish a competitive point during their volleyball game in fifth hour P.E. All students had to take either two years of P.E. or four years of ROTC. (photo by Chris Wormley)



Eighth hour World Geography students freshmen Latasha Holmes and Dejah Floyd work together on their flight plan. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Stumped over a genetics problem in Biology, freshman Josh Neal, sophomore Brandon Cain and freshman Justin Riddle work together to find the answer. Biology was a required class for graduation. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Sophomores Casie Lindeman and Heather Otto work on their geometry program with assistance from their teacher Kent Graham. Geometry students used the computer lab once every two weeks. (photo by Cherie Connors)



REQUIRED

IF WE WANTED A DIPLOMA, THERE WERE CERTAIN CLASSES THAT WERE

REQUIRED

You had no choice. If you wanted a diploma you had to have eight credits of English, seven credits of social studies, four credits of math, Physical Fitness, and science, one from Human Growth and Development, and 45 credits total.

Bill Schoonover said his favorite required class was, "American History because my teacher (Mr. Armsbury) helps me out. He is awesome!"

Students had fun in their required classes.

Senior Jeremy Stone said, "Some of the class discussions are pretty good entertainment!"

Sophomore Arina Woods liked Human Growth and Development because of the information she got. "We're learning how each other's bodies work without being ashamed and learning how to express our feelings."

Relationships, alcohol and drugs, sex education, and peer pressure were just some of the units covered in Human Growth and Development.

We all knew there was a reason we had to pass these classes to graduate. Katherine Carpender,

sophomore, thinks English is required "to teach good grammar and basic skills."

Students in an English class had to write a minimum of 10 themes each year in addition to reading assigned novels, essays and plays. Keeping a portfolio up-to-date was a big part of any English class, too.

Freshman Angie Batchelder said she liked the portfolios "because you can go over and revise your work."

Freshman Ann Mulligan also said science is important. "Science is something I'll probably need to know in college."

All students had to pass Biology. For their second science class, students chose between Physical Science, Chemistry, or Earth Science.

"I'm glad I'm taking Physical Science because I'm learning a lot," said sophomore Candice Burkholder.

We needed to take World History for other important reasons. Some students thought that if we didn't take it then history would repeat itself.

"SCIENCE IS SOMETHING I'LL PROBABLY NEED TO KNOW IN COLLEGE."
—ANN MULLIGAN
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Honors American Government teacher Dave Haar explains the path of a bill in Congress. American Government was a one semester required course. (photo by Chris Wormley)

English teacher Mitch Hansen's pet pig tries to make friends with junior Keeley Bibins. The pig's visit, the day before Winter Break, had become an annual tradition. (photo by Mark Ward)

BY ABBY ROGERS

HONORS

CHALLENGE-SEEKING STUDENTS WHO LIKED HAVING THEIR MINDS BOGGLED CHOOSE

Students who needed a challenge didn't have to go far. Several honors and Advanced Placement classes were offered that gave students a chance to have their mind boggled.

Math students could choose from 12 honors classes including Honors Geometry and Discreet Math, an alternative to calculus.

Freshman Lance Polikov said Honors Geometry was a challenge. "The proofs are hard because the steps take forever."

Algebra 3-4 Honors was a second year of algebra with more stress on mathematical reasoning and structure. After Algebra 3-4 students could take Algebra 5, Pre-Calculus or Honors Trigonometry, all one semester classes.

Other advanced math classes included

Calculus, Differential Equations, Probability/Statistics and Enrichment Mathematics.

Another mind-boggling class was Honors Economics in which sophomores studied the market economy.

Sophomore Sarah Baker said, "Economics was a challenging class, but I learned a lot about the economy."

Honors American Gov-

ernment was an advanced study of the democratic political process.

For a study of American history since 1492, students took Advanced American History.

Juniors and Seniors who were selected could be in Advanced Humanities. The class included work in research, study skills and preparation for state and national Academic Decathlon competition.

Students of all grades could choose to take honors level English. Ten themes, grammar and sponge activities were still required, but the honors students usually went at a faster pace. The biggest difference for many students was that more reading was required.

"I thought the speed of Honors English was just right. We covered the material at a good speed," sophomore Laurie Speers said.

Those who liked math and science had the chance to put the two interests together if they tackled Honors Physics. Junior Ted Anderson said, "I liked the way physics combined science and math. It gave me a chance to explore both subjects."

Juniors Brad Schaepi and Ricky Murillo work on their Physics assignment using the new computer lab. Many science students used computers as part of their lab work. (photo by Matt Nability.)



Freshman Honors English teacher Mary Buttell assigns seats to her 7th hour class on the first day of school. In addition to writing 10 themes, most freshmen read *Animal Farm* and *Romeo and Juliet*. (photo by Mark Ward.)



"HONORS ECONOMICS WAS A CHALLENGING CLASS, BUT I LEARNED A LOT."
—SARAH BAKER, 10



BY ABBY ROGERS

quiz

Honors classes required that you knew certain facts. How much do you remember?

1. LN stands for:
 - a. late night
 - b. lowest common number
 - c. the natural log.
 - d. last name
2. Our state Legislature:
 - a. is a unicameral.
 - b. is a nonpartisan.
 - c. has 49 seats.
 - d. all of the above.
3. What is S.A.S.?
 - a. Side Angle Side.
 - b. Student Advice Service
 - c. a brand of shoes
 - d. Special Account Service
4. What year was the Constitution signed?
 - a. 1789
 - b. 1492
 - c. 1776
 - d. 1903
5. An amortization table is:
 - a. a very large table, traced back to Greek mythology.
 - b. a table showing the death rate of people who don't go to school
 - c. a table used to determine loan payments with interest.
 - d. a table with all numbers up to infinity.
6. The parable of the water tank:
 - a. is a story about some horses that never left their water tank.
 - b. is an example of why you should drink a lot of water.
 - c. represents the economy.
 - d. teaches a lesson about bullies who throw little kids in water tanks.

ANSWERS:
1. c; 2. d; 3. a; 4. a; 5. c; 6. c.

AP English student senior Jannice Haack looks over an Edison student's work as part of a project. All AP English students were required to complete an extra project each semester. (photo by Joan Hobart.)



During a demonstration at eighth grade open house, AP Chemistry students seniors Mark Wright and Steve Hill experiment with liquid nitrogen. AP Chemistry students worked on many different labs throughout the year. (photo by Cherie Connors.)

AP English students seniors Kim Jiede and Michelle France use Barbie dolls to act the story of *Don Juan*. AP English students focused primarily on British literature. (photo by Cherie Connors.)

Working hard in practice junior Mary Soby perfects her butterfly stroke. Soby was a member of the State Championship Swim team. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Winding up for a shot on the goal, senior Cory Giesselman takes careful aim. Giesselman led the State Championship Soccer team in goals at State. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Walking across home plate after a home run, senior Sarah Fredstrom enjoys the crowd's cheers. Fredstrom won All-American honors. (photo by Matt Nabity)





Winning

MATTERS

Winning wasn't everything, but we'd be lying if we said it didn't matter. Whether your team didn't win one game or won them all, it took practice, sweat, dedication, and heart to be an athlete.

Sometimes 100 percent effort and individual heroics just weren't enough. The letdown was hard to take as endless hours of practicing and preparation brought us short of our goal of winning state. It will be impossible for us to forget the late season loss to Bryan on a last-minute punt return which kept the Varsity Football team out of the playoffs.

Even worse was the rain out of the Girls Softball State Tournament as our team was denied its chance at the State title. The harsh reality of a disappointing season was hard to swallow, especially after setting such high standards in the pre-season.

Another unforgettable moment was the Boys Varsity Basketball district championship and close loss to rival Creighton Prep at State.

For other teams, hard work and practice paid off with big wins. Both the Boys and Girls Swim Teams won the Metro and State Championships. It was the girls' fourth win in five years, and the second win in three years for the boys. For the third consecutive year, members of the Girls Varsity Tennis Team pulled together to win State and Metro.

Individuals also set many records and competed at the top of their sport. We'd all remember Alvin Mitchell's record breaking State Tournament Basketball game in which he set records for most three-pointers in a game with 10, and 44 points overall, and Brandon Walker's district championship kick in a sudden death shootout against Ralston which sent the Boys Soccer team on their way to a State championship. Sarah Fredstrom will always be remembered as the most decorated female athlete in the school's history. Winning may not have been the only thing that mattered, but State was what everyone aimed for, and a few were lucky enough to experience.

by
Jeff
Jorgensen

TOUGH

An up and down year left

the Varsity Football team pondering what could have been. The Bulldogs finished the season 6-3, failing to make the state play-offs by a matter of a few play-off points.

The team was led by a strong senior class. Twenty-two seniors were on the team. The team's defense, dominated by seniors, led the state in total, rushing, and scoring defense and also became the #1 scoring defense in Class A history.

"Our defense was the strength and support of our team. It gave us an excellent chance to win in every ball game," Coach Larry Jacobsen said.

The offense struggled through most of the year because of illnesses and injuries to key players. Junior quarterback Brian Eakin started the first three games in place of junior Ben Titus, who had mononucleosis. Eakin led the team to key victories over rivals Westside and Northwest.

The intensity of veteran starters helped to keep the team focused during the first few rough weeks. Leaders on the team, according to Coach Jacobsen, included senior linebackers Hoffart, Cedric Welch, Jimmie Goltl, lineman Terrance Hill, and junior lineman/tight-end Aaron Wills.

Wills, Welch, and junior kicker Paul Kosel were all named to the All-Metro first team along with Goltl, who received second team honors. Welch and Kosel were also named to the All-Nebraska first team. Wills received a position on the second team All-State list.

"The highlight of the season had to be when we came back from the loss to Central to win five in a row," Jacobsen stated.

"Beating Westside for the first time in four years was the highlight for me," senior Jeff Jorgensen said, "because it's always been a heated rivalry and made for great competition."

A heartbreaking loss to Omaha Bryan, who finished their regular season undefeated, on a last-minute 76-yard punt return for a touchdown was the low point of the season for many of the players.

"I felt we were the better team and played the better game," senior Mark Nielsen said. "The breaks just didn't fall our way in the fourth quarter."

by
Steven
Saylor

BREAKS

A fumble in the end zone leaves senior Scott Newland and several Central players fighting for control of the ball. (photo by Cherie Connors).

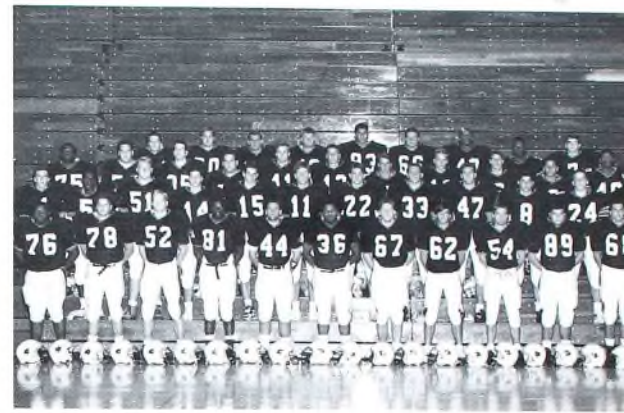


All-State tackle Aaron Wills takes a pursuit angle on a Northwest running back as Steve Talbot and Adam Julch follow. The defense was the top scoring defense in Class A history. (photo by Cherie Connors.)

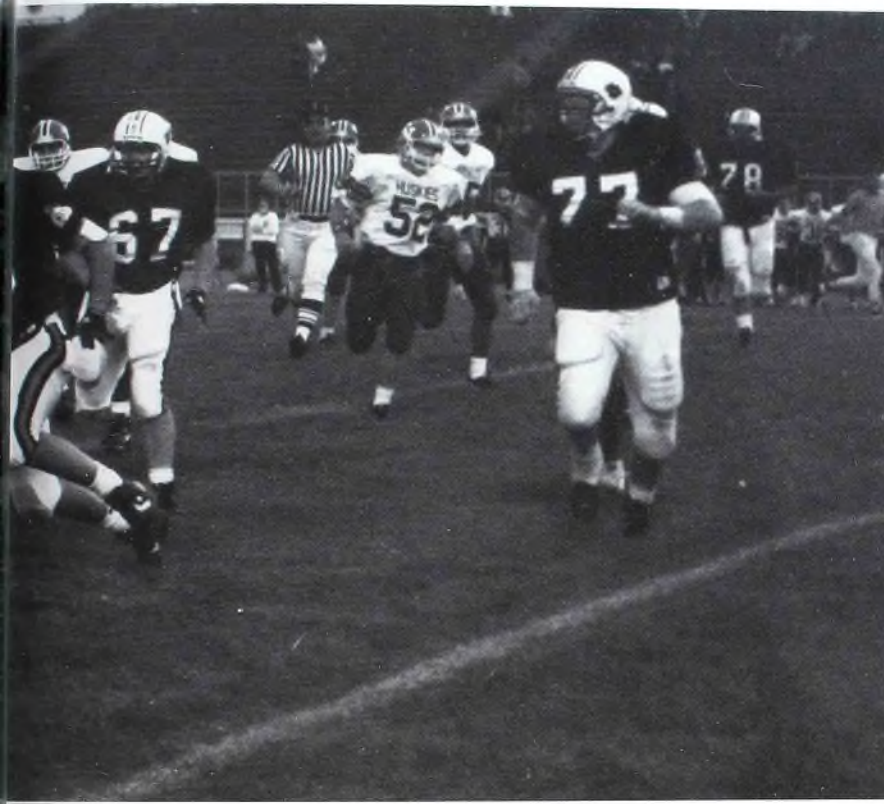


Throwing a Central running back to the ground, Jimmie Goltl leads the defense with Chad Hoffart in hot pursuit. Burke's rushing defense was top's in the state. (photo by Cherie Connors.)





VARISTY FOOTBALL *Front row:* Terrance Hill, Jeff Jorgensen, Scott Newland, Cedric Welch, Chad Hoffart, Jimmie Goltl, Steve Talbot, James Kennedy, Aaron Nielsen, Steve Saylors, Mark Nielsen. *Row 2:* Brian Langbehn, Andre Williams, Brett Flodine, Paul Kosel, Chris Gमित, Ben Titus, Mike Croom, Mike Hermsen, Mike Zaller, John Wood, Brian Holmes, George Lessmann. *Row 3:* Damione Moore, Matt Byrne, Ben Cipperley, Joe Aliano, Joel Carlberg, Matt Clure, Matt Rech, Nate Aaland, Brian Eakin, Ricky Murillo, Lonnie Williams. *Back row:* Steve Coe, Dusty Weiss, Kendall Swenson, Travis Manners, Aaron Wills, Zach McDermott, Lamont Thomas, Richard Nettles, Nick Stark. (picture courtesy of Rick Billings Studio).



VARISITY FOOTBALL

OPPONENT	BHS	Opp.
Central	7	12
Westside	8	0
Northwest	28	10
Benson	22	0
Thomas Jefferson	14	0
North	23	0
Bryan	9	16
Millard South	14	16
South	18	7



Celebrating a tie-breaking 8-0 victory over the Warriors was Burke's first in five years. (photo by Cherie Connors.)

MIRROR

The JV
and Reserve

football teams had seasons that were almost a mirror image of each other.

It was a difficult and long season for the Sophomore Football team, but in the end they were able to pull it all together. The team went for two wins and six loses, both of the victories being shut outs.

The team suffered the loss of several experienced, key players to injuries. Many on the team were first year players who learned well and showed great improvement through the season.

Coaches Jim Engelhart, Mark Bowder, Greg Pavlik and Darin Peterson set out at the start of the season to lead the team to show general improvement. The 28-0 victory over Central in the last game showed how well the team strived to reach their goal.

"The guys really listened and tried hard. They were a great bunch to work with," Engelhart said.

Team leaders included sophomores Trevor Putnam and Aaron Cubrich. "We had a lot of talent on our team and we just got everything working well as a team as the season was ending. I'm looking forward to next year," quarterback Putnam said.

The JV team set out at the start of the season with the hope of a 7-0 season. They came close to meeting their goal, only two losses stood in the way.

Coach Gary Graner led the team and was very proud of the seasons accomplishments.

"We had a really great team this year. They put forth a lot of effort and did a really great job the whole year long," Graner said.

Team leaders included quarterback Brian Eakin, defender Mark Hill, Steve Coe and Chris Betchelder.

"The best part of the season was when we beat Prep," sophomore Joe McCrilis said. "It really lifted the team spirit up."

The Dawgs were very proud of their season. Next year is to well anticipated as the 5-2 JV's may become the 7-0 Varsity.

by
Christine
Quirk

IMAGE



Junior Chris Betchelder dives to make a shoestring tackle. The JV's lost to Millard South by 21 to 13. (photo by Alison Lidolph)

Heading for the end zone, sophomore Ronald Oliver eludes a Prep defender. The Dawgs beat the Bluejays, marking the JV's first victory over Prep in eight years. (photo by Alison Lidolph)

The stingy Reserve defense awaits the snap. The Bulldogs posted a 21-0 victory over the Bryan Bears. (photo by Alison Lidolph)

Defensive back Andre Williams accidentally clutches an opponents face mask. Physical play was common for the JV team. (photo by Alison Lidolph)



JV defenders deflect an apparent touchdown pass in the Bryan game. Cooperation helped the defense to lead the team to victory. (photo by Alison Lidolph)



JV FOOTBALL Front row: Andre Williams, Brent Flodine, Joe Aliano, Ronald Oliver, Brian Pike, Joel Carlberg, Lonnie Willams. Row 2: Mark Hill, Chris Batchelder, Brian Langbehn, Chris Grimet, Brian Eakin, Steve Coe, Zach Hill. Row 3: Tim McKeone, Karnell Perkins, Ben Ciperley, Joe McCrillis, Rickey Murillo, Lamont Thomas. Row 4: Matt Byrne, Mike Marcinek, Chris Bechtold, Joe Engel, Randy Howe. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



RESERVE FOOTBALL Front row: Doug Kaiser, Yasser Abou-Nasr, Ryan Wiebe, Aaron Cubrich, Tim Belmont, Steve Aken. Row 2: Stuart Anderson, Ryan Lamp, Doug Woleban, Brian Johnson, Dennes Sayles, Don Gilpin, Terrell Anderson. Row 3: Khader Abou-Nasr, Troy Hayes, Alan DePorte, Trevor Putnam, Les Blakeman. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

JV / RESERVE FOOTBALL

Opponent	BHS/Opp.	BHS/Opp.
Benson	14-0	NG
Northwest	18-0	NG
Prep	12-11	14-36
Ralston	10-0	NG
South	13-14	NG
Millard South	13-21	8-35
Central	21-7	28-0
Bryan	NG	21-0
Bellevue East	NG	0-22
Westside	NG	0-19
Bellevue West	NG	6-14
Papillion/LaVista	NG	8-36
Season Record	5-2	2-8

TEAM STATS



VARSITY VOLLELYBALL *Front row:* Megan Mulligan, Joan Daughton, Kristin Wittmann, Ann Mulligan, Katie Burke. *Middle row:* Manager Jaime Ross, Jill Worley, Laura Schafer, Jennifer Rowedder, Val Cook, Manager Dani Hruska. *Back row:* Coach Pat Otto, Jenny Gillespie, Angie Tidmore, Jana Becker, Manager Summer Brown (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



JV VOLLELYBALL *Front row:* Molly Wickham, Lea Hill, Chris Beasley. *Middle row:* Lindsey Daubman, Emily Olesen, Amy Teshack, Stephanie Vainiunas, Suzanne Freimuth, Becky Rubin. *Back row:* Coach Jerry Steele, Kris Aldinger, Allison Lidolph, Amanda Baeder, Kari Wolf, Christine Johnson (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

GIRLS VOLLELYBALL	Varsity	JV
Opponent	BHS/Opp.	BHS/Opp.
Central	14-16;15-8;15-12	W
Benson	14-16;13-15	W
Westside	16-14;15-11	L
Thomas Jefferson	NG	L
Norhwest	15-4;15-4	W
South	15-10;13-15;15-8	W
North	15-2;15-9	W
Bryan	6-15;15-9;15-13	W
Abraham Lincoln	2-16;11-15	NG
Millard South	6-15;10-15	W
Westside	15-3;6-15;15-17	NG
	INVITES	
Bellevue Invite	0-5	
Gradoville Invite	1-1	
Lincoln Invite	0-3	
Metro	1-2	
Westside Invite	0-3	2-2
Benson JV	1-2-2	
Millard North JV	1-2	
Season Record	9-18	11-8-2



Concentrating on the play, sophomore Kari Wolf prepares her defense. The JV team ended its season with a 11-8-2 record. (photo by Jenny Knihal)



Waiting for the serve, junior Kristin Wittmann gets into defensive position. Wittmann was a first year starter for the Varsity team. (photo by Matt Nabity)

BUILD

During a key play, sophomore Molly Wickham hits the ball back over the net as her teammates watch. (photo by Jenny Knihal)

Before the last home game, underclassmen congratulate the seniors on a job well done. Jenny Gillespie, Angie Tidmore, and Jana Becker were the team's only seniors. (photo by Matt Nabity)



Getting the pieces together was a struggle for the Varsity Volleyball team. With only three seniors returning, the girls had a lot of hard work trying to build a sense of team unity.

Big wins came against North, Northwest, T.J., and Bryan, earning the Lady Spikers a division runner-up award with a 4-1 division record.

"The highlight of my season was winning the the 3rd set against Bryan to comeback at home," said sophomore Val Cook, who, along with senior Angie Tidmore, were placed on the Metro Coaches All-Division Team. Honorable mention was awarded to senior Jenny Gillespie.

Junior Joan Daughton said, "The team had a lot of talent, and we had a pretty good season."

With the team's 9-18 record, things didn't go as well as planned. "The season had its ups and downs and really didn't go as well as we hoped, but we played our best and that's all that you can ask for," Cook said.

Sophomore Jennifer Rowedder agreed. "Our team was pretty young, so we will play together next season. We all got along really well and had lots of fun. Next year will be our best yet."

Success was the name of the game for members of the JV Volleyball team, who ended the season with an 11-8-2 record. Marian proved to be the most difficult opponent for the young team, accounting for two of its losses.

The young team of 13 sophomores, one freshman, and one junior was led by captains Becky Rubin and Stephanie Vainiunas.

Junior Amy Teshack was voted most valuable player and best spiker by the team. Sophomores Emily Olesen and Christine Johnson were voted most improved while the best server was sophomore Kris Aldinger.

The JV team completed all of its goals of getting playing experience, competing well, and understanding the game, Coach Jerry Steele said.

"All players contributed to a good team effort resulting in a successful season," Coach Steele said. "The JV players have excellent potential to develop into good Varsity players."



Concentrating on the ball, junior Amy Teshack prepares to return the serve as sophomore Lea Hill watches. Teshack was voted most valuable player and best spiker at the end of the season. (photo by Matt Nabity)

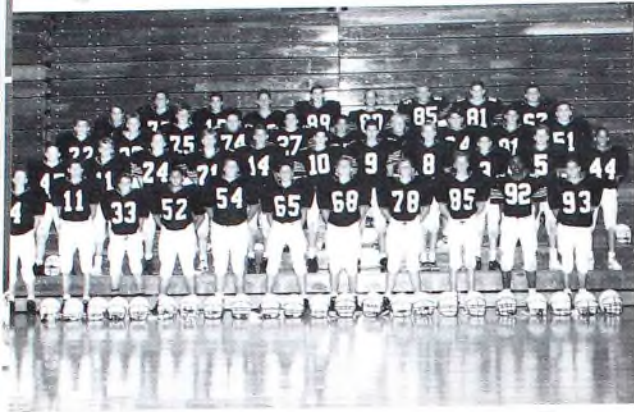


Sophomore Kari Wolf passes the ball to the setter. Teamwork was a key to the team. (photo by Allison Lidolph)

UNITY

by
Jenny
Knihal

TEAM STATS



FRESHMAN FOOTBALL *Front row:* Ryan Maliszewski, Tom Ostronic, Eric Catlin, Michael Murillo, Travis Flodine, Denny Sciscoe, Clint Osler, David Saylor, Josh Peterson, Spencer Danner, Jason Mashek. *Row 2:* Phil Novotny, Jeff Hollingsworth, Joe Kasel, Jeremy Vuagniaux, Tim Vanderpool, Mike Learner, Brian Moriarty, Brian Zimmerman, C.J. Lickert, Brad Eakin, Jarmail Brown. *Row 3:* Nathan Croom, Ryan Lee, Ben Conner, Ryan Rutledge, Russell Hughell, Curry Witrock, Jeremy Adkins, Jay Lewis, Andy Bassett, Charlie Holcomb. *Row 4:* Brian Gunn, Jace Wegge, Mark Potter, Joe Stickman, Joe Olsen, Ryan Larson, Mark Kratina, Curtis Wollen, Brett Clure. *Not pictured:* Justin Armsbury, Chris Cattlett, Mark Mullen. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL *Front row:* Katie Sevening, Melissa Caniglia. *Row 2:* Lisa Delashmutti, Angie Batchelder, manager Amber Barr, manager Michelle Bier, Margaret Jetequi. *Row 3:* Melissa Morrissey, Julie Ommen, Kristin Holmes, Erin Elliot, Amy Hildreth. *Row 4:* Kara Shannon, Coach Lori Godbolt. *Row 5:* Maria Hagg, Allison Gordon. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



FRESHMAN FOOTBALL/VOLLEYBALL

Opponent	BHS/Opp.	BHS/Opp.
North	0-6	W
Benson	6-20	L
Bryan	8-14	W
Milliard North	0-49	NG
Lewis & Clark	8-24	W
Prep	8-35	NG
Millard South	6-49	G
Norris	NG	W
Central	NG	W
Northwest	NG	W
South	NG	L
Season Record	0-7	6-2

The Freshman Volleyball team receives last minute tips from Coach Lori Godbolt. It took hours of practice to teach the girls a high school offense. (photo by Christine Quirk)



During the Marian game, the freshmen call for a quick time out. The Dawgs lost to the Crusaders in a close match. (photo by Christine Quirk)

TEAMS



At halftime, the freshmen replenish their fluids. Having many late summer games, conditioning was extremely important. (photo by Christine Quirk)

Both the Freshman

Football and Freshman Volleyball teams made marked improvement throughout the year.

Perseverance was the name of the game for the Freshman Football team. The 0-7 Dawgs had a rough season but came out with something more important than a winning record.

Coaches Jim Engelhart, Mark Bowder, Darin Peterson and Head Coach Greg Pavlik taught the team, many of which were new competitors, how to compete and how to improve. Coach Pavlik said, "The guys can use those things throughout the rest of their lives."

At the start of the season, the Freshman Football team set out to learn the Varsity systems of offense and defense and successfully completed their goal. "At the end of the season our defense picked up the pace and made some big plays. They really helped us in our last two games," said Brian Gunn. The games against Westside and Prep were the best games of the season because they showed that the team learned how to work as one.

Winning their first five games in a row got the Freshman Volleyball team started on the right track. Their winning streak was stopped by Benson, their most difficult opponent who provided them with three of their five losses.

The team set several goals for the season and were proud to say they accomplished most of them. They made it to the Final Four and won the American Division but did not make their ultimate goal, to be first in the city.

"This was an excellent group of girls to work with," Coach Lori Godbolt said. "They were fun, hard workers and eager to learn. They really made practice enjoyable every day."

Team leaders included Melissa Caniglia, Katie Severing, and Angle Batchelder. "It was really fun year and a great experience," Caniglia said.

"I expect some of the girls to be on the Varsity by their junior year if they continue on the same line and fine tune their skills," Godbolt said.



Freshmen Phil Novotny and Jason Mashek make the tackle against Creighton Prep. The Dawgs defense kept their games competitive. (photo by Christine Quirk)

Hut, hut, hike. The Prep quarterback calls out the signals as the Burke defense awaits the snap. The Bluejays defeated the Bulldogs 35-8. (photo by Christine Quirk)



LEARN

by
Christine
Quirk

UP HILL

It was a season of

hills and valleys for members of the Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams.

The Boys Team was led by sophomore Matt Tippery and junior Chad Grosse, who finished 2nd and 3rd in Districts and qualified for state as individuals.

"I trained real hard, kept real confident, and tried to run my best," said Tippery, who was out for three weeks with a broken toe, but was still able to come back and lead the team at districts.

When asked about his team's season long performance junior Chad Grosse said, "We had a good season, and we accomplished our main goal, improving from the previous year." Tippery placed 21st and Grosse placed 22nd of 92 runners at the meet.

Although pleased with team member's individual times, Coach Mike Mingo said he was disappointed by the team's performance. "Our goal was to make state as a team, and that we did not do. All the runners set personal bests during the season, and I can't be disappointed in that."

It was an above average season for the Lady Dogs, who finished well as a young team. They were successful in making state as a team.

"Our two seniors, Naomi and Karalee, had the biggest job of the year in that they had to develop this young team. Sixteen of our 22 cross country girls had never run cross country before, and six of our top eight Varsity runners had never run cross country," Coach Bill Scarborough said.

Star senior Naomi Underwood said, "We had a very young team who improved greatly over the season and really matured as distance runners."

The young Lady Dogs placed 3rd in districts and 12th in State. "With 20 of 22 runners coming back next year," Coach Scarborough explained, "that means we will have a lot more experience, and nothing beats experience! All these girls now know what kind of dedication, commitment and effort is needed to be successful."

Scarborough added, "These girls are not only good athletes, but the combined grade average for these 22 girls was 3.6! Like I said, these girls will all be good leaders in their own time and day."



Senior Naomi Underwood breaks through the pack at State. She received a Varsity letter for her team leadership. (photo by Bill Scarborough)



by
Brad
Schaeppi

BATTLE

TEAM SPORTS



Junior Ed Lund and Senior Dave Westfall show some excitement at the Kansas Invitational. Staying relaxed kept runners poised in the races. (photo by Mike Mingo)

Sophomore Matt Tippery makes his move at the K.U. Invite. Tippery had an outstanding year despite his injury to his foot. (photo by Mike Mingo)



Junior Chad Grosse strives for the win. Chad qualified for state as an individual for his third place District finish. (photo by Mike Mingo)

Freshman Steph Diamantis, and junior Keri Eberhardt run at State in Kearney. Burke was one of 12 high schools to qualify for state as a team. (photo by Bill Scarborough)



BOYS CROSS COUNTRY *Front row:* Matt Tippery, Ed Lund, Kent Cisar, Brian Fisher, John Lien, Chad Grosse, John Berry, Dan Underwood. *Row 2:* Tom Bizzari, Frank Novotny, Nate Vessly, Andy Bekenhaur, Brad Struck, Paul Burri, Todd Brothers. *Back row:* Coach Mike Mingo, Dave Westfall, Jason Schmidt, Eric Krelle, James Bayer, Coach Kirk Gottschalk. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY *Front row:* Rachel Warne, Allison Hughell, Jamie Bizzari, Nicole Davidon, Cori Schiemann, Steph Diamantis, Chris Swenson, Nicole Cleek. *Row 2:* Olga Borovskaya, Janelle Treat, Keri Eberhardt, Mary Becker, Katie Wolf, Carrie Bizzari, Sarah Vanderloo, Naomi Underwood. *Back row:* Coach Bill Scarborough, Christy Vieregger, Katie Laird, Tracy Tompkins, Anna Gray, Jamie Endelman. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

CROSS COUNTRY Opponent	Boys	Girls
	BHS/Opp.	BHS/Opp.
Nebraska Wesleyan	4th	6th
Burke 9-10 Invite	1st	NM
Millard South Invite	6th	8th
Class of the Metro	7th	2nd
Kansas University Invite	14th	12th
Creighton Prep Invite	3rd	4th
Bellevue East	NM	3rd
Millard North Invite	NM	6th
Columbus Invite	8th	NM
Metro	9th	6th
Districts	4th	3rd
State	NM	12th

GROUP

Improved scores and

progression in meets were the keys locking the combined Burke and Northwest gymnastics team into a 4-2 season. The combined team was a good experience for both the Burke gymnasts as well as the Northwest gymnasts.

"It was a wonderful experience with the combination of the Burke and Northwest squads because I got to team up and compete with a lot of old friends," senior Tanya Reyes said. "There were no conflicts within a team as one might think there would be with a combined squad. We all got along really well because most of us already knew one another."

The team, led by senior captains Reyes from Burke and Wendy Hutchinson from Northwest, ended its season competing in Metro for 5th place and competing in State for 8th.

The goal of the team was to compete as a whole on the second day of State. Unfortunately, the goal was not reached, partly due to the injury of freshman Gina Guerrero. Despite her injuries, Guerrero was a top scorer along with Burke junior Christine Mora and Northwest sophomore Nikki Hutchinson.

"Our team had a lot of talent, and next year we will have a stronger, bigger team," Guerrero said.

Of the 11 members of the gymnastics team, seven girls were awarded letters including W. Hutchinson, Reyes, Mora, N. Hutchinson, Burke sophomore Erin Horeis, Burke freshman Lena Weinman, and Guerrero.

The young team of five freshman, three sophomores, one junior, and two seniors, was one of the biggest in the school's history.

"I have the biggest team I've had in years," Coach Dave Ross said. He said that the team's numbers seem to go in cycles, explaining that every three to five years he sees an influx of gymnasts.

"We have a great group coming back next year," Coach Ross said, "Three all-around gymnasts and some good individual event gymnasts."

by
Jenny
Korihal

EFFORT



Coach Dave Ross helps Erin Horeis with her uneven bar routine. The uneven bar was a strong event for the girls team. (photo by Sandy Summers)

Junior Christina Mora rehearses her balance beam performance. Grace and form were key in judging gymnastic meets. (photo by Jill Ruben)



BULLDOGS



GIRLS VARSITY GYMNASTICS *Front row:* Lena Weinman, Nikki Hutchinson, Gina Guerrero. *Row 2:* Tanya Reyes. *Row 3:* Christine Mora, Wendy Hutchinson, Erin Horeis. *Back row:* Assistant Coach Marnie Simpson, Coach Dave Ross (photo courtesy Rick Billings Studio)

GYMNASTICS

Opponent	Varsity	
	BHS	Opp.
South	123.4	95.7
Papillion	120.95	127.40
North	128.40	127.8
Millard North	131.2	141.15
Ralston	132.1	121.35

INVITES

Grand Island	122.75	8th
Millard South	135.1	5th
Papio	135.7	5th
METRO	129.75	5th
STATE	125.3	8th

Season Record 4-2



Practicing her floor event, senior Tanya Reyes begins her flip. Tanya was a returning letter winner for the Gymnastics squad. (photo by Alison Gutnik)

TEAM STATS



GIRLS VARSITY GOLF *Front row:* Suzanne Stirek, Noele Tesar. *Back row:* Ashleigh Echols, Emily Echols, Angela Moerke, Coach Marv Lodes, Heidi Bielenberg. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



Warming up at Lincoln's Woods Park, senior Jimmy Friedlander and junior Nick Eastland work on their team play. (photo by Gary Lundeen)



VARSITY BOYS TENNIS *Front row:* David Kulakofsky, Nezy Badakhsh, John Fitzekam, Ben Forrest, Jimmy Friedlander, Tony Smalley. *Back row:* Matt Preist, Kevin Saylan, Charlie Lessmann, Coach Gary Lundeen, Nick Eastland, Ryan Caswell, Steve Hill. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

BOYS TENNIS	Varsity JV	GIRLS GOLF	
OPPONENT	BHS/Opp.	Central	212-228
Millard North	3-6	Westside	204-200
North	4-5	Northwest	212-243
South	7-1	Millard N.	208-199
Bryan	9-0	NM North	157-154
Millard South	1-8	NM Bryan	196-244
Westside	3-6	NM T.J.	211-261
Northwest	7-2	NM Millard So.	204-220
Ralston	NM 10-3	Tournaments	
Bellevue East	NM 7-7	Lincoln SE	8th
Prep	NM 3-10	Duchesne	5th
Mt. Michael	NM 10-3	Ralston/Westside	
Fremont	NM 11-3		6th
Lincoln East	NM 7-6	Metro	7th
Triangular Records		A-3 District	2nd
Prep (9), Fremont (5), Burke (4)		State	12th
Lincoln East (10), Lincoln SE (5), Burke (3)			
Tournament finishes			
Kearney Doubles Invite	5th		
Fremont Invite	7th		
Monarch Invite	Tie 12th		
Metro	13th		
State	14th		

JV BOYS TENNIS *Front row:* Greg Norris, Carl Schroeder, Jeff Shapiro, Paul Schoonover, Mike Schroder, Nathan Grosse. *Back row:* Cory Itkin, James Vobejda, Matt Maresch, Nathan Penny, Brian Key, Nathan Johnson. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



Working on his serve, senior Charlie Lessmann warms-up one day at practice. Lessmann was Burke's number 1 singles player. (photo by Alison Lidolph)



Practicing her drive, senior Ashleigh Echols warms-ups at the Knolls Golf Course. (photo by Alison Lidolph)



Practicing a serve before the match against North, junior Nezy Badakhsh works out at the Burke tennis courts. Dadakhsh went to state as a number 2 doubles player along with senior Kevin Saylan. (photo by Allison Lidolph)

Returning a serve during a warm-up, sophomore Ben Forest uses a forehand volley. Forest competed at No. 1 doubles with junior Ryan Caswell. (photo by Allison Lidolph)



DREAMS

Both the Girls Golf

and Boys Tennis teams began their seasons with high goals and expectations. For the boys, their goal was to place higher at Metro and State than the previous year. The girls wanted to take more team members to state and record more low scores.

When the Metro Tennis Tourney came along, the tennis team's dual record was a lower than expected 3-4.

"The team played well at all the duels, putting all effort forward," Varsity Tennis Coach Gary Lundeen said. The Bulldogs figured that Metro would be a good place to redeem themselves. Going into Metro, the team wasn't ranked. Good performances came from the #1 doubles pair junior Ryan Caswell and sophomore Ben Forest and from the #2 doubles team senior Kevin Saylan and junior Nezy Badakhsh. Both pairs made it to the quarter finals, where both had disappointing losses.

The Bulldogs had some impressive plays at state, with both of the doubles teams and the #2 singles qualifying for the round of 16. Unfortunately that was as far as they got.

The JV team finished with 5-2-1 dual record, a come-from-behind win over a very talented Lincoln East team proved to be a high point of the season: Burke trailed 3-6 after the singles competition but came back to win all four doubles matches to notch a 7-6 victory.

Strong performances were recorded in #1 singles by sophomore Paul Schoonover and from the #1 doubles team of sophomore Jon Broder and junior Nate Penny.

Good senior leadership lead the Girls Golf team to low scores and good rounds.

"Our season had many ups and down, but it also had some awesome highlights. I was very proud of the team at the Lincoln/Southeast Invite when we all turned in real low scores," senior Ashleigh Echols said. The Lady Dawgs record was 3-5. One of their most prestigious highlights was at districts. The team brought home a second place victory and also had Echols, senior Heidi Bielenberg, and sophomore Emily Echols all bring back medals. In doing this the team qualified for state, where they were one of the top 12 Class "A" teams.

BASHED

by
Mike
Jung

TEAM STATS



VARSITY SOFTBALL Front row: Sherry Peterson, Stacey Hanselman, Christa Horst, Brandi Moser. Row 2: Jamie Sazama, Meredith Witt, Amy Schaeppi, Christy Urosevich, Kristin Jenkins, Lora Peterson. Row 3: Coach Marty Torrez, Sarah Fredstrom, Sydney Graham, Connie Quigley, Kim Killion, Kim Beacom, Asst. Coach Jim Sazama. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



JV SOFTBALL Front row: Christina Mavis, Annette Eden, Alyssa Wedemeyer, Tracey Stick. Row 2: Tammy Heinz, Shannon Robson, Robbie Jo Haagenson, Kate Csarri, Sarah Cunningham, Tara Kelly. Row 3: Mrs. Hargens, Makala Hargens, Carrie Audsmore, Andrea Peterson, Jill Peterson, Angie Urosevich, Coach Deane Carr. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

VARSITY/J.V. SOFTBALL

Opponent	BHS/Opp.	BHS/Opp.
Central	9-1	9-2
Lincoln High	3-7	N/G
Westside	6-7	24-1
Northwest	12-5	10-0
South	16-3	26-0
Benson	18-2	N/G
Millard North	7-6	11-9
Bellevue West	21-6	N/G
Lincoln SE	0-1	N/G
Roncalli	19-0	N/G
Papillion	7-9	6-1
Lincoln East	11-1, 11-7	N/G
North	12-0	9-8
Lincoln SE	3-6	N/G
Bryan	13-0	13-2
Ralston	3-5	N/G
Millard South	7-5	11-5
Marian	2-3	N/G
DISTRICTS		
Beatrice	7-5	
Lincoln SE	2-9	
Beatrice	12-10	
Season Record	14-8	9-0

Sliding into home, sophomore Sherri Peterson is called safe. Peterson was one of the leaders in runs scored with 20. (photo by Matt Nability)



Blasting a drive into left field, senior Christy Urosevich steadies her swing. Urosevich led the team with 24 singles on the year. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Rounding the corner for home plate is sophomore Sydney Graham followed closely by senior Kristin Jenkins. Graham was the team's ace pitcher with 8 wins while Jenkins was a mainstay starter in the outfield. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Waiting for her pitch, senior Sarah Fredstrom takes a fast ball. Fredstrom led the team with a .592 batting average and was named to *Fast Pitch's* All-America team. (photo by Cherie Connors)



REIGN

The Girls Varsity Soft-

ball team took full advantage of its first year as a recognized Varsity sport, as the high-powered Dawgs finished 8th in the *World-Herald* top ten with a 14-8 record.

"Our team averaged nine runs per game and defeated Roncalli by 19 runs," Coach Marty Torrez stated.

The Lady Dawgs finished the season with a .377 team batting average, led by All-State captain Sarah Fredstrom's .592. In addition to All-State honors, Fredstrom was also named to *Fast Pitch* magazine's All-American team as a first team selection at short stop.

"We played to our potential throughout the whole year," Fredstrom said. "We also had a great time on and off the field together." Other key contributors included seniors Connie Quigley and Christy Urosevich.

Most all of the teams losses were close. Five of the eight were by two runs or less, and seven of the eight were to ranked teams. "It was exciting to be in so many close games during the season," senior Kristin Jenkins stated. "We were glad to be able to pull most of them out in the end."

The district tournament provided for more close finishes and exciting play. After the Dawgs edged by Beatrice 5-3 with two runs in the bottom of the last inning, they prepared to face an extremely tough Lincoln Southeast team. Southeast defeated the Dawgs giving them their first loss in the double-elimination tournament. They were set for a rematch in the finals against Southeast, but because of excessive rain the tournament was called and Southeast was declared the winner.

"It was disappointing not getting the chance to beat them, but at least we finished the season with a win," Urosevich said.

The JV team completed its first year as a sanctioned sport to perfection. The team finished the season with an unblemished perfect record. JV leaders included sophomores Angie Urosevich and Alyssia Wiedemeyer.

"We worked hard this year to accomplish our goals," Urosevich stated. "It was a lot of fun being able to work together to succeed in what we knew we could do."

DELAY

by
Steven
Sayfors

Warming up before the game, sophomore Sydney Graham takes some practice pitches. The team allowed only 4.36 runs per game while producing 9 runs per game. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Before the game, starting senior catcher Connie Quigley warms up. Quigley's seven doubles tied for tops on the team. (photo by Cherie Connors)



TITLE

Excitement, action, and a

state tournament berth were all part of the Varsity Boys Basketball team's 14-7 season. The Bulldogs, who entered the season ranked 10th in Class A, finished strong with a district championship and a trip to state. The Dawgs finished the season ranked 7th.

In the beginning of the season, the inexperienced Dawgs looked to senior Ben Ebong for leadership. Ebong, one of the only returning lettermen from the previous year's state finalist team, responded by leading the team in scoring and rebounding.

"A lot of underclassmen stepped up this year, and our seniors played a big part in making this a great season," Ebong stated. "The hard work and support the seniors gave didn't always get the credit during the games, but they made the team improve every practice."

Junior Alvin Mitchell rejoined the team at the semester, sparking the team to key wins over Central and South.

"We had our ups and downs during the beginning of the season, but during the Central game we came together as a team," senior Tyrone Lee said. "That game was the key for us to start our run that led to State."

Mitchell and Ebong, along with key players seniors Lee and Court Lovato, juniors Adam Julch, Eric Coffman, and Eddie Lund, and sophomore Andre Williams, put things together leading into districts.

Wins over Benson and Bryan gave Burke its first District Championship since 1988 and Coach Gary Graner his first title as a head coach.

At State, Burke drew a highly touted Creighton Prep squad. A record-setting night by Mitchell wouldn't be enough to contain the Jays as Creighton Prep escaped the first round with a 4-point victory en route to their first state title since 1981. Mitchell did, however, set the Class A mark for most 3-pointers in a game surpassing Eric Strickland's mark by halftime. Mitchell ended the game with 10 3's and 44 points, third highest in Class A tournament history.

Mitchell's performance earned him a spot on the All-Class All-Tournament team. In addition to the All-Tournament honor Mitchell along with Ebong were named to the All-Metro team.

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WINNER

With a strong drive to the hoop, senior Ben Ebong penetrates the Mustang defense for an easy lay up. The game remained close throughout, with the Bulldogs losing a heartbreaker by one at the buzzer. (photo by Chris Wormley)

Senior Tyrone Lee takes an open shot over Millard North's Mike Johnette, the grandson of former coach John Johnette. (photo by Chris Wormley)



As the Creighton Prep team is announced before the opening game of the State Tournament, the bald bulldogs sustain their focus and intensity. As a motivational tool for districts, the whole team went bald to beat the Bryan Bears in the finals (photo by Chris Wormley)

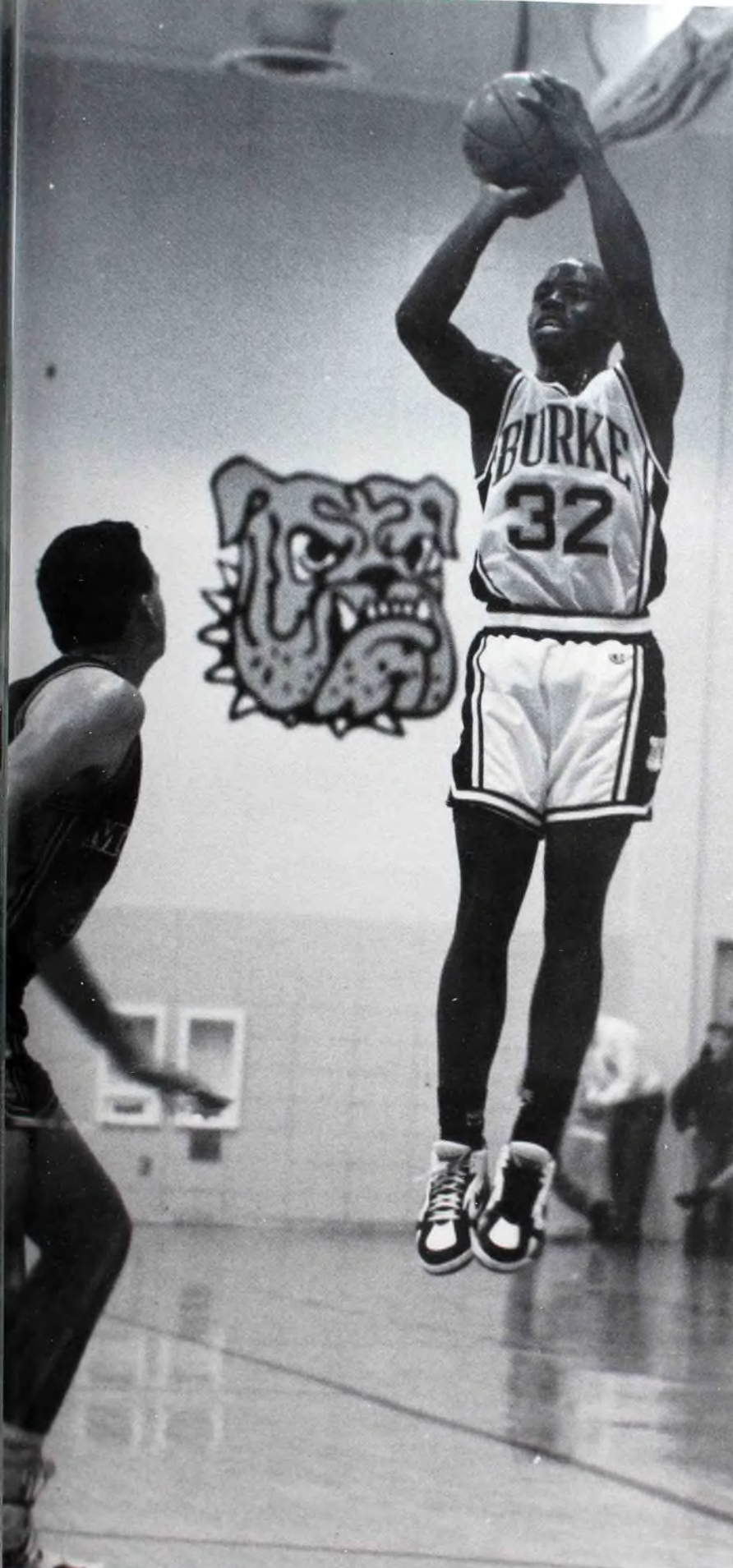


With a berth to the state tournament on the line, junior Alvin Mitchell attacks the glass. Mitchell's play in districts and state earned him a spot on the All-Metro and All-Tournament teams. (photo by Chris Wormley)



Senior Court Lovato shows his range in a State loss to Prep. Lovato was among the state leaders in 3-point percentage. (photo by Chris Wormley)

TEAM STATS



VARSITY BASKETBALL Front row: Andre Williams, Mitchell Bronson, Alvin Mitchell, Dan Regan (team manager), Jon Eichhorn, Ed Jackson, Court Lovato. Row 2: Adam Julch, Drew Peterson, Ben Ebong, Eddie Lund, Kevin German, Victor Ebong, Eric Coffman, Tyrone Lee. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

Opponent	BHS/Opp
Bellevue West	68-60
Westside	61-59
Millard North	50-51
Prep	72-85
Papillion	50-58
Lincoln East	67-55
Thomas Jefferson	82-47
Fremont	53-50
Northwest	67-65
North	61-43
Lincoln Southeast	65-69
Bryan	76-91
Central	84-66
South	77-48
Benson	88-82
Millard South	64-55
Holiday Tournament	
Ralston	68-69 (OT)
Northwest	62-53 (OT)
Districts	
Benson	76-73
Bryan	77-68
State	
Prep	77-81
Season Record	14-7

RECORD

Finishing
with a 14-6

record, the Girls Varsity Basketball Team had one of the best seasons in recent history. Ranked in the Top 10 for several weeks, the girls faced a tough district that sent three of five teams to State.

"The seniors assumed the right to lead the team and worked very hard to keep the team motivated," Coach Larry Seitz said. Senior Sarah Fredstrom was a performance leader along with sophomore Val Cook.

Fredstrom set new record in most career field goals, most career points, most career steals, most steals in a season and most steals in one game. She also received Super State, All State, All Metro and Academic All State honors. She was chosen Metro Female Basketball Player of the year and was B'Nai B'rith Female Athlete of the Year.

Even though the girls did not reach their goal of making state, they reached their goals of having a winning season, improving consistently, and maintaining solidarity of purpose.

When asked to identify season highlights, Coach Seitz simply said, "The players themselves. They were a good group to work with. Watching them improve and being successful was very rewarding."

Seitz thinks the future looks very promising. "Of the 14 girls on our JV roster, 10 are returning and nine of those 10 are sophomores and freshmen.

"The Varsity team has set a standard of excellence that we will strive to surpass in the future."

The JV basketball team also had a very successful season. With a 12-4 record it was the best in JV girl's history.

The team's strengths of speed, skills, and fantastic work ethics helped the girls complete their goals of improving both team and individual skills to advance to the Varsity level.

Despite the lack of practice space the girls made major accomplishments. With the help of the leading scorer and rebounder Amanda Baeder the team beat Millard South and Papio. They also played a last second win over Lincoln East.

Coach Steve Moore commented, "This team was a pleasure to coach and showed great improvement."



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Jenny
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SETTERS

Senior Sarah Fredstrom takes the ball down the court. Fredstrom, a 4-year letterwinner in basketball, was named to B'Nai B'rith Female Athlete of the Year. (photo by Matt Nabity)



Looking for a teammate to pass to, senior Lori Link inbounds the ball. (photo by Matt Nabity)

Blocking a TJ player, sophomore Lora Peterson shows great defensive skills. (photo by Matt Nabity)



TEAM STATS



GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL Front row Ann Mulligan, Katie Sevening, Val Cooke, Jennifer Rowedder, Sarah Fredstrom, Sherry Peterson, Lori Link. Row 2: Jill Peterson, Amy Teshack, Michelle Rubin, Amanda Baeder, Erin Elliot, Lora Peterson. Not pictured: Liz Hall, Coach Larry Seitz (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



GIRLS JV BASKETBALL Front row: Lea Hill, Melissa Morrissey, Amanda Baeder, Julie Lund, Heather Frickes, Jill Peterson. Row 2: Katie Sevening, Stacey Hanselman, Suzanne Freimuth, Robbie-Jo Haagenson, Ann Mulligan, Amy Teshack, Mary Becker. Not pictured: Coach Steve Moore (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

GIRLS BASKETBALL	Varsity	JV
Opponent	BHS/Opp	BHS/Opp
Bellevue West	52-30	55-28
Duchesne	33-27	25-30
Papillion	53-33, 44-43	54-44
Westside	64-26, 76-32	56-29
Millard North	53-49	27-49
Lincoln East	45-44	38-36
TJ	53-18	47-23
Elkhorn	NG	47-38
Lincoln Southeast	33-55	35-56
Northwest	71-45	43-29
Central	63-42	45/9
Bryan	33-48, 44-50	37-26
Benson	61-38	48-26
South	43-27	51-40
Marian	60-77	47-50
Millard South	47-53	37-36
North	48-38	NG
Season Record	14-6	12-4

TEAM STATS



J.V. BOYS BASKETBALL Front Row: Brian Langeban, Mike Sortino, Jeremy Robson, Brian Eakin, Drew Brown, Matt Clure. Row 2: Jon Eichhorn, Victor Ebong, Jason Schmitz, Kyle Mann, Andy Light, Mark Klitske. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL Front row: Craig Brown, Herman Shields, Kamren Holbert, Ryan Lamp, John Distefano, Alan Deporte Top Row: Brian Costanzo, Kasey Hanson, Matt Saddoff, Kyle Mann, Stewart Anderson, Doug Woleben, Terrell Anderson. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

BASKETBALL

Opponent	J.V./Opp.	Reserve/Opp
Northwest	53-54	NG
Bryan	70-62	55-57
Bellevue West	64-57	61-45
Westside	60-61	48-46
Benson	55-52	NG
Prep	56-45	58-53
Papillion	44-46	45-42
Lincoln East	54-75	NG
Fremont	39-46	NG
North	46-71	40-61
Lincoln SE	49-59	NG
Thomas Jefferson	73-36	
Millard North	54-58	52-38
Central	40-70	40-70 NG
South	61-53	58-46
Millard South	44-62	55-60
Roncolli	NG	66-57
Boystown	NG	75-60
Season Record	6-10	7-5



Splitting the defense, freshman Channell Hickey drives through the lane for a strong lay-in. Hickey made many contributions to the team. (photo by Matt Nabity)



Posting-up down in the paint, sophomore Kyle Mann positions himself for a pass from sophomore Kamren Holbert. Mann was a perennial starter for the sophomores. (photo by Sherri Mann)

During a break in the action, many players catch their breath and rehash game strategy before resuming play. The cohesiveness of the team was one of the sophomores' greatest assets. (photo by Sherri Mann)



CLOSE



In an intense scramble for position underneath the basket, Burke players wrestle the ball free from the Westside defense. This heated rivalry ended well with a 48-46 victory. (photo by Sherry Mann)



Slashing through the lane enroute to the basket, freshman Michael Learner encounters a barrage of defenders. (photo by Matt Nabity)



Being introduced at the annual Black and Gold intra-squad scrimmage, sophomores Matt Saahtoff and Herman Shields reflect on the upcoming game against the freshman. Saahtoff and Shields were leaders of the sophomore team. (photo by Sherry Mann)

Leading the fast break, sophomore Kyle Mann takes control of Burke's high-powered offense. The team recorded a season-high 75 points against Boystown. (photo by Sherry Mann)

Both the Boys Junior Varsity and

Sophomore Boys Basketball teams came into their seasons confident and ready to win. Each squad had an abundance of talented players, and throughout the season almost every team member improved through playing time and concentrating on their individual skills.

Competitive play and hard work were the qualities that shaped the Boys J.V. Basketball team this year. The team finished the season with 6 wins and 10 losses. Three of those 6 wins came at the hands of longtime nemeses Benson, South, and Creighton Prep.

"The most exciting part of the season was the fact that 6 of the games were decided by 3 points or less." Coach Kenyon Sharp said. "That provided for some very intense games."

The main goals of the team were to play with 100% intensity and improve with each game. Coach Sharp made sure the team worked hard in practice knowing the sacrifice would benefit his players in the season.

"We played hard despite our youth, and inconsistencies all year," coach Sharp stated.

Leaders on the team included junior Jeremy Robson and sophomores Victor Ebong and John Eichhorn.

Overall, we were a very young team. Half of the team was made up of sophomores. The obstacle for us was ourselves. We played hard all year despite some inconsistent play throughout the season.

Perhaps the greatest strength of the team was being a close group. They stuck together through the good times and the bad times.

Improving fundamentals, playing together as a team, and learning to compete while representing Burke well, were the goals of the sophomore basketball team.

The young sophomore team had a very successful season ending its season with an impressive 7-5 record.

The highlights of the season were victories over Creighton Prep, Millard South, and Papillion, longtime rivals of the mighty Bulldogs.

The young team was led by Herman Shields, and Matt Saahtoff, each who made key contributions to the team. Perhaps the greatest obstacle for the team dealt with a problem in developing fundamentals of the game.

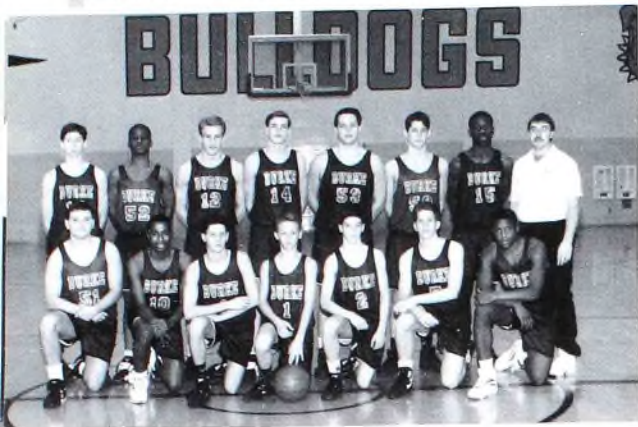
The group worked very hard as team and played very well together.

GROUP

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Steven
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TEAM STATS

BULLDOGS



BOYS FRESHMAN BASKETBALL Front row: Brett Clure, Nick Johnson, Andy Bassett, Jason Livermore, Mike Lerner, Tyler Sohns, Montice Griggs. Row 2: Tom Ostronic, Chanell Hickey, M.J. Kratina, Joe Olsen, Dan Vlach, Troy Pollard, Ron Oliver, Coach Greg Pavlik. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



GIRL'S FRESHMAN BASKETBALL Front row: Tracey Stick, Chris Swenson, Anna Wolcott, Sarah Curry. Row 2: Carrie Ausdemore, Jaime Bizzarri, Melissa Caniglia, Dana Fester, Nyree Hunter. Back Row: Coach Lori Godbolt, Andrea Lerner, Amy Hildreth, Julie Ommen, Michaela Hargens, Adrial Mitchell, Tammi Heinz, Manager Andrea Cichowski. Not pictured: Manager Michelle Biers. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL	BOYS	GIRLS
Opponent	BHS/Opp	BHS/Opp
Bryan	48-40	26-28
Benson	39-42	25-14
Central	56-26	27-19
Westside	53-46	21-33
Prep 'A'	41-44	NG
Northwest	52-63	36-4
Millard South	39-45	12-45
North	57/55	24-14 35-18
Lewis & Clark	43-65	34-16
Millard North	48-80	17-53
South	57-65	28-25
Boystown	63-30	NG
TJ	61-53	NG
Norris	NG	36-11
Skutt	NG	28-27
Gross	NG	17-35
Holiday Tournament	@North	@Benson
Prep 'B'	52-64	NG
Benson	55-57	NG
South	NG	18-12
Central	NG	24-20
Marian	NG	25-27
Bryan	NG	26-17
Roncalli	NG	8-27
Prep Tourney		
Millard South	49-58	NG
Season Record	6-10	12-7
		City Champs

Doing his free throw bounces, Tom Ostronic prepares to shoot. The Bulldogs lost to the Mustangs 48-80. (photo by Mike Antrim)

Cheering on the Bulldogs, the freshman squad pauses for a quick picture. Cheerleading was very important in keeping the audience involved in the games. (photo courtesy of Amy Hildreth)



Fighting for rebounding position, Brett Clure #51 and Andy Bassett #4 move in. The Bulldogs relied on their height advantage in order to beat their opponents. (photo by Mike Antrim)

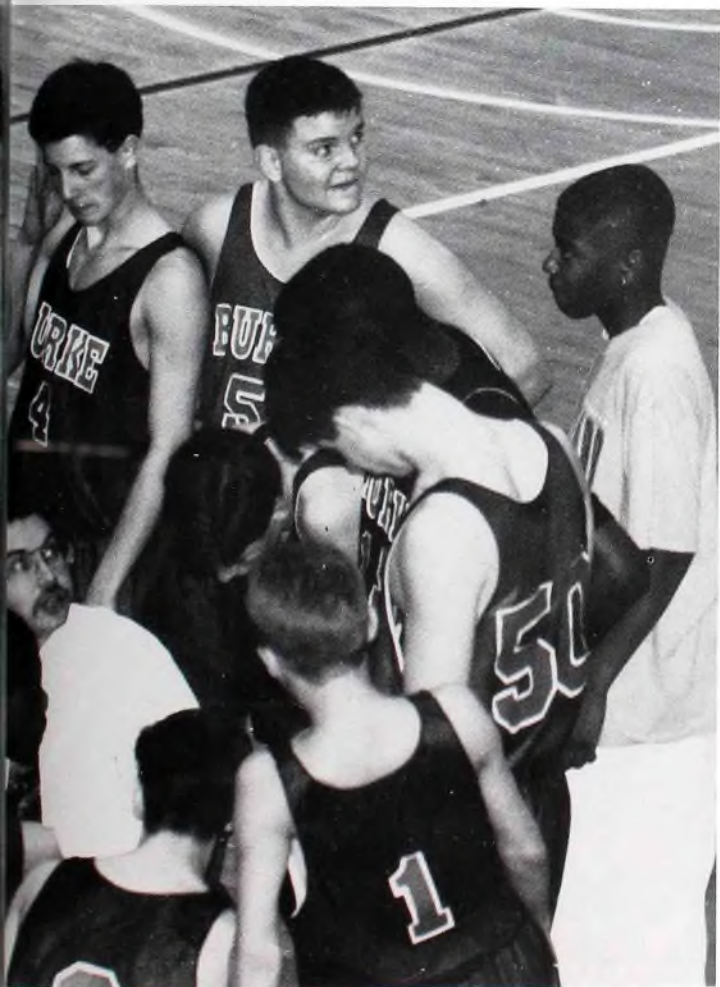
Planning a strategy for the second half, Coach Greg Pavlik specifies his instructions. Great effort by the coaching staff helped inspire the team. (photo by Mike Antrim)





A Millard North center puts up the shot as the Bulldogs prepare for a fast break. The young dawgs loved to run and gun. (photo by Mike Antrim)

While warming up before a game versus Central, Amy Hildreth takes a breather and poses with Coach Lori Godbolt. (photo courtesy of Amy Hildreth)



BRIGHT

Hard working and determined would be a good way to describe the members of the Boys Freshman Basketball team. The boys were a very streaky team, and had their ups and downs. Coached by Greg Pavlik, the boys started the season 6-3 and finished with an overall record of 6-10, losing their last seven games.

The team set realistic goals to take one game at a time and to compete during each contest. They also wanted to improve as the season went on. As the competition became more difficult during the course of the season, the team stepped up and played to the best ability they could.

Key players who helped the team reach these goals were offensive players Nick Johnson and Andy Bassett. Defensively the team was led by Montice Griggs and Tom Ostronic. M.J. Kratina and Chanell Hickey were considered the team's hardest workers according to Coach Pavlik.

Overall, the team improved and gained a lot of experience in the sport. "There is good talent and good work ethics in this group. With their athletic ability the boys will have great future seasons," said Pavlik.

The Freshman Girls Basketball team completed all of its major goals ending the season as division champions. The girls posted a record of 12-7 throughout the course of the season. According to Coach Lori Godbolt, the team accomplished a great sense of team unity by practicing and playing together all season long.

"Team unity is very hard to achieve when you have girls that went to five different schools as eighth graders," said Godbolt, "We managed unity by meeting together everyday before practice to study or just talk."

The inspiring team unity really paid off for the girls as the team became a close knit family and everyone supported each other.

Nyree Hunter was the leading scorer and rebounder for the young team. Other standout players were Adrial Mitchell who led the team in steals, and Melissa Caniglia who had the best free throw percentage for the entire year. Andrea Peterson was awarded as the most improved player.

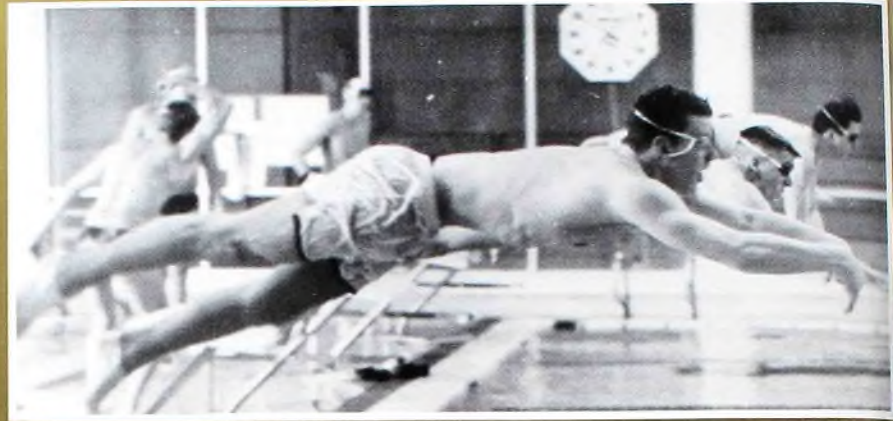
The team was very balanced in all aspects and no clear player was titled as the best. "We didn't have one MVP," Godbolt said. "We had a team of MVPs."

FUTURES

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TEAM STATS

Showing their quick starts, junior Brian Gabb, senior Nick Palko, and junior Zach Weiss prepare for State. (photo by Cherie Connors)



BOYS SWIMMING *Front row:* Cory Itkin, Tom Bizzarri. *Row 2:* Andy Itkin, Jeff Shapiro, Nick Spath, Jason Itkin, Jay Thiltgen, John Barry, Randy Romanik. *Row 3:* Coach Rich Hood, Nick Palko, Matt Benson, Brett Flodine, Brandon Crenshaw, Aaron Wills, Jeremy Solt, John Stevens, Steve Jackson, Chad Loveless, Kevin Barbee. *Back row:* Neil Thitgen, Scott Lake, Mike Jung, Ben Cichowski, Bob Sullivan, Jeff Stalnaker, Lance Larsen, Brian Gabb, Zach Weiss, Nate Vesely. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

BOYS SWIMMING

Opponent	BHS/Opp.
Dual Meets	8-0
Division Record	6-0
Burke Invite	1st
Millard South Invite	1st
Lincoln Southeast Invite	2nd
Ram Relays	1st
Metro	1st
State	1st



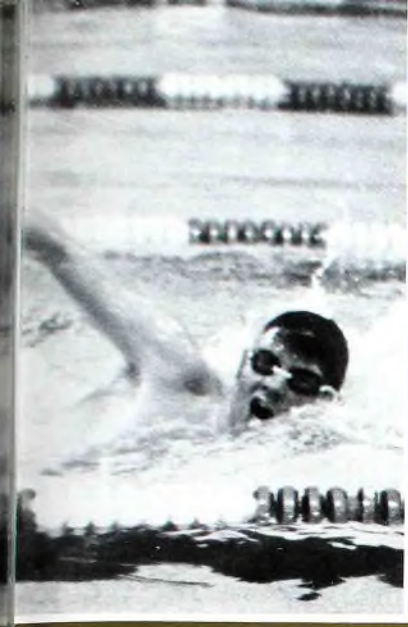
Doing the backstroke, sophomore Lance Larsen, one of the Bulldog's gold medalists at the Metro meet, shows great form. The stroke was a power event. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Competing against one another, juniors Steve Jackson and Jeremy Solt race to the wall. Both swimmers qualified for state. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Swimming extra laps at practice, junior Mike Jung works on his technique. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Working his turns in practice, junior Matt Benson prepares for Metro. Benson was one of the strongest butterflyers in the state. (photo by Cherie Connors)



AGAINST

Against all odds, the

Boys Swim Team brought home gold from the State Swimming Meet. The swim team had experienced a state title only once before, in 1992. To win, the boys had to defeat defending state champions Lincoln Southeast. The boys beat Southeast by 54 points.

"We deserved everything we got this year and more," captain Jason Itkin said. Itkin was identified by Coach Rich Hood as an outstanding team leader.

The team began the season with one major goal, Coach Rich Hood said. "Our goal was to be as successful as our abilities and talents would allow us, both in the pool and in the classroom."

Besides the state championship, the Bulldogs won the Metro championship by a large margin. The boys team won all of its duals. In fact, the boys only lost one meet all season—the Lincoln Southeast Invite. At that Invite, they got beat by only four points.

"When we won Metro by that much, I knew state was going to be fun," junior Zach Wiess said.

After a disappointing third place at state in 1993, the Bulldogs had extra drive to win. "The determination, strength, and depth were key elements we had over the rest of the competition in state," junior Bob Sullivan said.

Coach Hood said he believed this was a naturally talented team.

The 15 state qualifiers went to Lincoln shaved and BALD. Qualifiers included freshman Neil Thiltgen; sophomores John Stevens, Lance Larsen and diver John Barry; juniors Matt Benson, Brandon Crenshaw, Steve Jackson, Jay Thiltgen, Mike Jung, Jeremy Solt, Aaron Wills, Sullivan, Weiss; and seniors Itkin and Nick Palko.

The State Swimming & Diving Meet just didn't bring out a team championship, it also brought two individual champions and Burke's first two relay state championships. Jung and Wills brought home the first individual golds in the past three years. The biggest accomplishment for the team was winning Burke's first relay champions. The team's 200 Medley (Jung, Palko, Benson, and Solt) and 200 Freestyle (Weiss, Solt, Benson, and Wills) won gold medals. Jung's 100 Backstroke (:54.04) and the 200 Freestyle relay times also broke school records.

ALL ODDS

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CHAMPS

It was a dream come

true for the Girls Swimming and Diving team. After losing to Lincoln East the previous season by only three points at the state meet, the girls set a goal to take back the crown which had been theirs the previous four years. Achieving the goal is exactly what they did.

"This year was important not only to prove we could handle another coach, but also to show how a determined team could regain its state title," captain Jenny Bonge said.

The girls had to start from scratch with their new coach, Sue Rosenthal. "The girls developed nicely this year, I truly look forward to the challenges and excitement that next year will bring," Rosenthal said.

The girls went into the Metro meet with three loses, two of them to Metro teams. The girls pulled off an impressive win and looked strong, taking nine girls to the state meet: freshmen Terese Jung and Danielle Soby; sophomores Angie Urosevich and Amy Issacson; juniors Leah Abraham, Amie Mitchell, and Mary Soby; and seniors Bonge and Laura Sides.

"Winning at Metro pumped us up. We knew that the nine of us going to State would have to swim hard to win the whole thing because we had the fewest state qualifiers of all the big schools," Abraham said.

Going into the State Swim Meet the girls were focused and well prepared. Lincoln East was the reigning state title holder, and the Bulldogs felt that they had a good chance of taking it back.

"With this being my last state meet, I felt that I needed to swim better than I have in the past. I also wanted to leave high school with a state team title," captain Sides said.

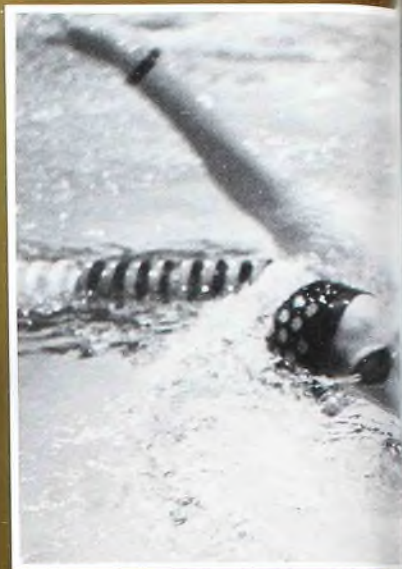
The team brought home the gold. Sides finished her high school career with 12 individual and relay gold medals from the state meet. Sides and Jung each broke team records, Sides in the 100 fly and Jung in the 200 I.M.

"I'll always remember winning State because I was a freshman and it was my first time swimming in the State meet," Jung said. "It was great to win State."

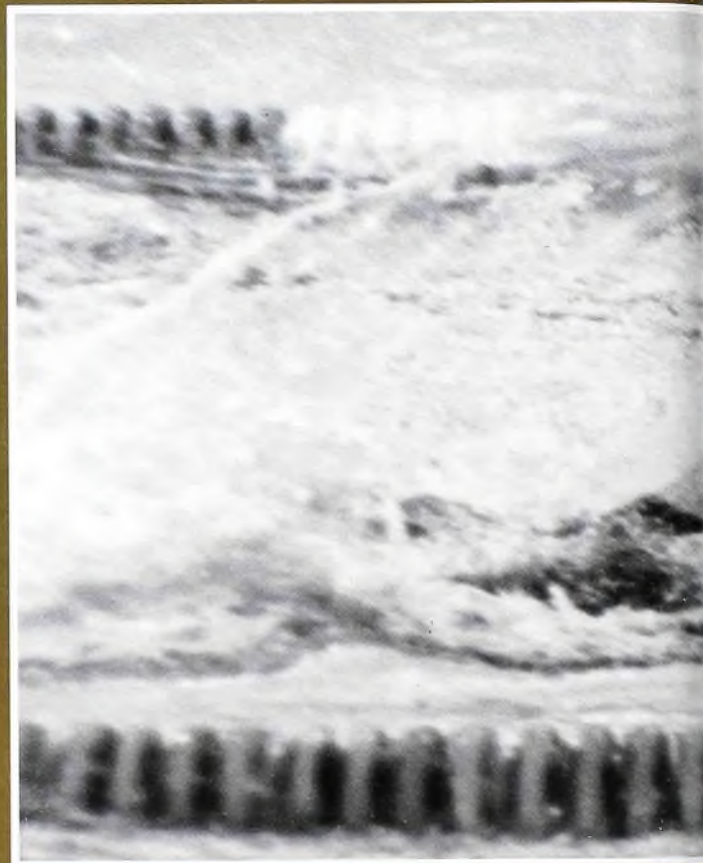
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REPEAT

Setting a strong pace, junior Mary Soby swims the backstroke. Soby was one of the point scorers in the 100 fly, 100 backstroke and a member of two relay teams. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Working her stroke, senior Laura Sides practices her freestyle before the Metro meet. Sides was Burke's high scorer at the State meet winning four gold medals. (photo by Cherie Connors)

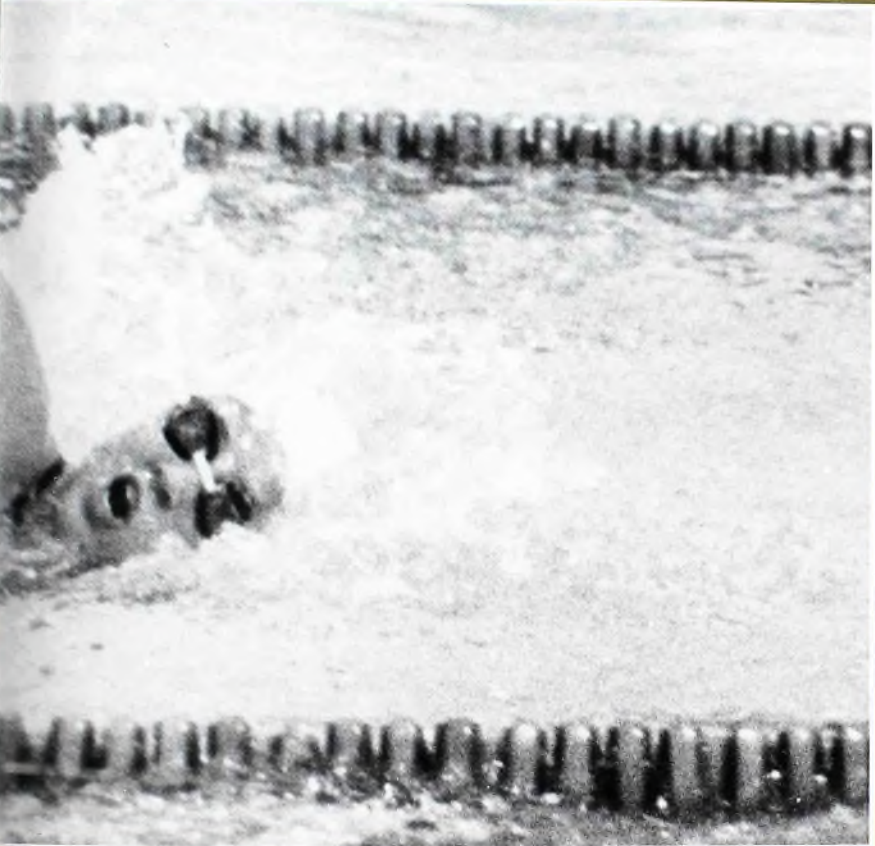


Working on her backstroke, sophomore Angie Urosevich, approaches the wall for a turn. Urosevich was one of the nine swimmers that qualified for two events at the State meet. (photo by Cherie Connors)



After winning the medley relay at State, Coach Sue Rosenthal celebrates, Rosenthal helped turned a young team into a winning team in her first year. (photo by Casie Lindeman)

TEAM STATS



GIRLS SWIMMING Front row: Coach Sue Rosenthal, Jenny Folkers, Laura Sides, Leah Abraham, Anna Gray, Terese Jung, Lindsay Votava, Tana Lauritsen, Lisa Delashmutt. Row 2: Nicole Violet, Kim Brothers, Holly Worthington, Holly Beyette, Sara Vanderloo, Theresa Soby, Chris Mavis, Danielle Soby. Row 3: Nicole Grosse, Marie Wineiger, Kelli Melia, Katie McGowan, Heather Mitchell, Michelle Howe, Melissa Hoenshell. Back row: Amy Mitchell, Mary Soby, Amy Isaacson, Angie Urosevich, Jenny Bonge, Susan Biach, Casie Lindeman. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

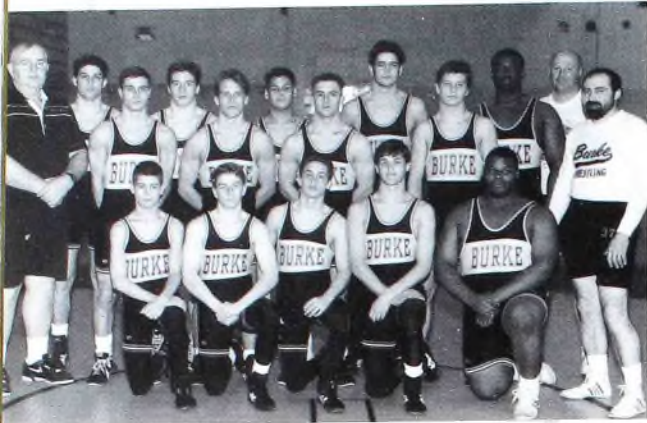
GIRLS SWIMMING

Opponent	BHS/Opp.
Bryan	133 34
Northwest	144 35
Lincoln East	119 69
North	122 62
Millard North	105 81
Millard South	89 98
Westside	89 94
Lincoln S.East	90 109
Invite	Place
Burke Invite	2nd
Lincoln S.East Invite	1st
Millard North Invite	1st
Metro	1st
State	1st



"Take your marks!" Sophomore Katie McGowan prepares for a quick start. McGowan was one of the Bulldog's many sprinters. (photo by Cherie Connors)

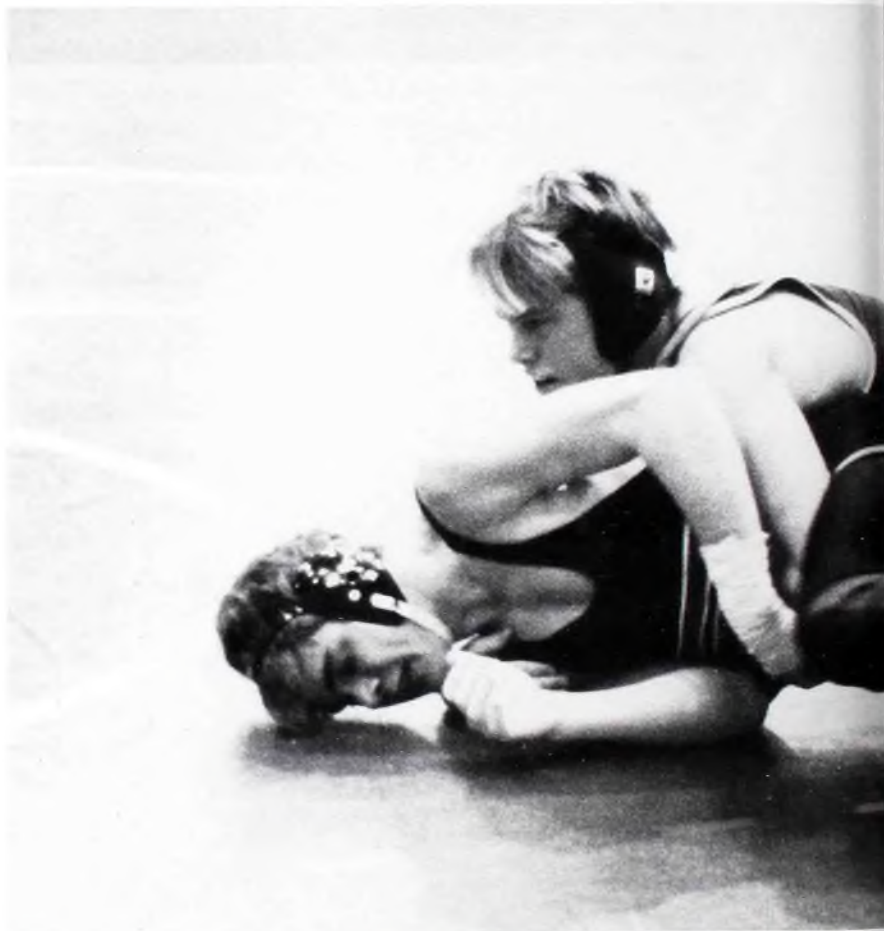
TEAM STATS



Wrestling Front row: Joe Long, Eric Catlin, Tony Vanderpool, Tom Zagozda, Terrance Hill. Row 2: Coach Denny Scheer, Paul Burri, Chad Seymour, Brad Reynolds, Adam Lundgren, Vol. Coach Randy Hughell. Row 3: John Wood, Rusty Hughell, Mike Murillo, Luke Edmundson, Damione Moore, Coach Jim McKean. Not Pictured: Demar Alley, Brian Scott (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

WRESTLING Opponent	VARSITY BHS/Opp.	JV BHS/Opp.
North	21-45	48-24
Ralston	18-40	48-30
TJ	24-53	35-33
AL	12-54	12-54
Fremont	36-33	36-28
Prep	nm	42-33
Beatrice	31-24	NM
Fremont	37-31	NM
Lin. NE	18-45	NM
Bellevue West	34-37	38-28
Prep	NM	44-30
TOURNAMENTS		
North	12/16	
South	8/12	
South Sioux City	4/7	
Prep	6/8	
Metro	9/18	
Burke	10/11	
Bellevue East	5/12	
Districts	6/8	
Season Record	2-7	7-1

A Millard South wrestler is about to be turned over by Senior Luke Edmundson. Edmundson placed in second at the Burke Invite. (photo by Cherie Connors)

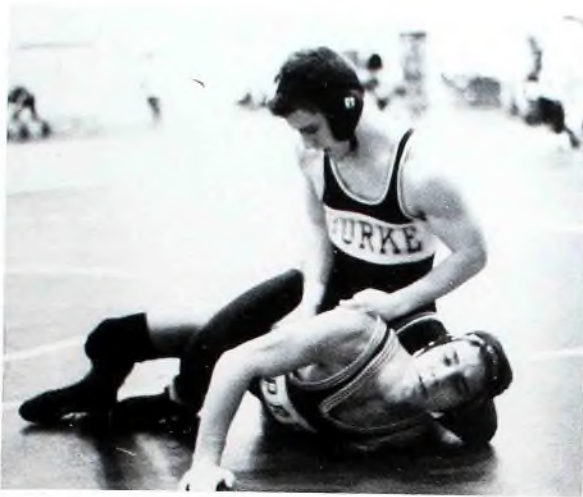


Breaking out of a half-nelson, senior John Wood escapes from a South wrestler. Wood was a state qualifier. (photo by Cherie Connors)



At Burke, senior Luke Edmundson takes down an opponent. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Sophomore Brad Reynolds makes his move against Prep. (photo by Cherie Connors)



ROUGH

The Bulldogs had a rough season on the wrestling mats, but were able to boast of improvement at the finish.

Head Coach Denny Scheer said, "I had one of the most enjoyable seasons in my 70 seasons of coaching, even if it didn't show up in the season record."

The varsity finished the season with a duel record of 2-7. The JV had a 7-1 record.

Seniors Luke Edmundson, who wrestled at 171, and Chad Seymour, 135, led the Bulldog team this year. Both placed in every meet in which they wrestled, as did junior Tom Zagozda.

"This year was really great. It was a really good way to end my senior year," said Edmundson finished the season with a 23-9 record. Seymour finished at 28-12. Edmundson was also the team leader in pins with 18, followed by Seymour at 14, and a close third by senior heavyweight Terrence Hill with 8.

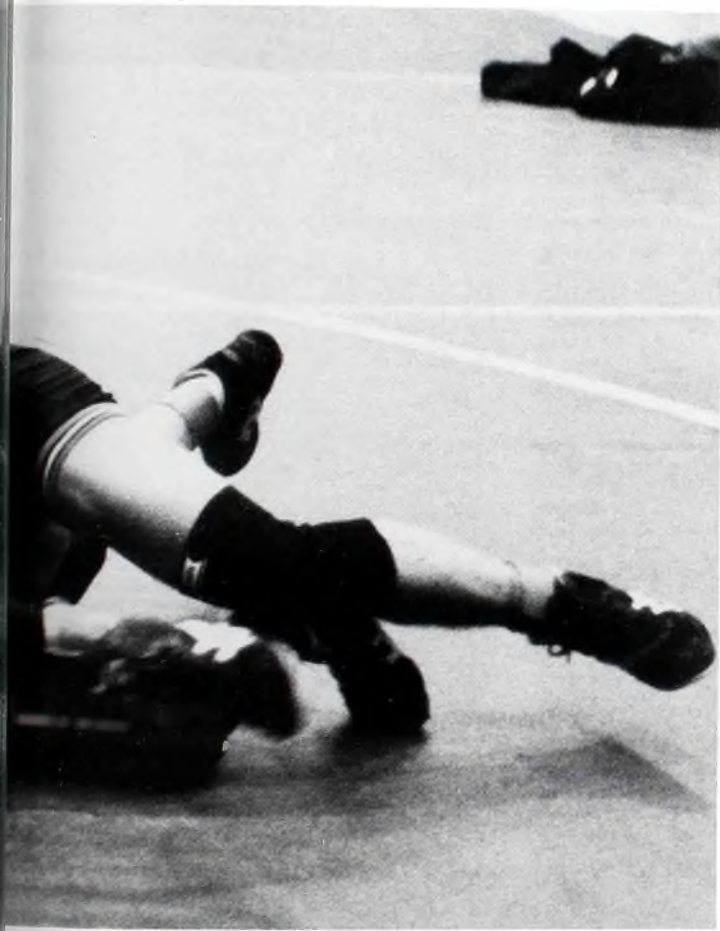
Sophomore Brad Reynolds, 140, with 48 take downs, was second only to Seymour. Seymour had the most team points, 148.5 with Edmundson close behind at 144 and Zagozda, 125, in third with 87.5 points. The team had a total of 1,147 points for the season.

At the district meet, Edmundson and Seymour both finished in second place. Seniors John Wood, Hill and underclassman Zagozda all finished in fourth. These wins qualified the five for the state wrestling meet. Although no one placed at State, the team put forth a good effort and were proud of the accomplishments they made.

"The State Meet was a lot of fun. I hope to be there again next year," Zagozda said.

Along with the five state qualifiers, 10 others qualified for Varsity Lettermen's Awards. The criteria for lettering in wrestling included Varsity matches, state qualifiers and attendance. More importantly, to Coach Scheer, things like attitude, improvement and coachability were also big considerations. Scheer felt that having a positive attitude was important when part of a team.

"It was a pleasure to coach such hard workers who were eager to learn and improve their skills," Assistant Coach Jim McKean agreed. Scheer, who has been coaching wrestling at Burke for 28 years, and McKean, who finished 17 years with this season, were assisted by volunteer Randy Hughell.



Rolling over his Westside opponent, Senior Chad Seymour attempts the pin. Seymour was a team leader in pins. (photo by Cherie Connors)

A Prep wrestler is seconds away from getting pinned by Seymour. Seymour placed in third at the Burke Invite. (photo by Cherie Connors)



SEASON

by
Christine
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TEAM STATS



VARSITY BOYS SOCCER *Front row:* Brian Gabb, Brian Maschka, Dave Oxenford, Ryan Plumber, Bill Schoonover, Ryan Caswell, Steve Preston, Jason Knott, Ted Anderson, Mike Preston. *Row 2:* Coach Jerry Ludwig, Brian Realph, Kirk Newnman, Cory Giesselman, Marc Luedtke, Jeff Wemhoff, Coach Roland Munro, Jon Eichcorn, Cory Mann, Travis Clark, Peter Becker, Paul Kosel, Goalie Coach Chris Kranjc. *Not pictured:* Joe Basso. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



BOYS JV SOCCER *Front row:* Joel Catlin, Nate Grosse, Eric Catlin, Matt Munyon, Andy Miller, Bill Schoonover, Brent Geissinger, Jeff Leudtke, Tobin Vontz. *Row 2:* Mike Dean, Andrew Beckenhower, Danny Benda, John Lien, Steve Coe, Coach Jerry Ludwig, Coach John Riddle, Justin Riddle, Josh Neal, David Proksel, Brad Struck, Brian Key. *Not pictured:* Jim Vobejda. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

BOYS SOCCER	VARSITY	JV
Opponent	BHS/Opp	BHS/Opp
Bryan	2-0	6-0
Ralston	3-0	3-1
Mt. Michael	3-2	
Northwest	6-0	
Central	2-1	3-1
TI	3-0	13-1
Millard North	1-4	0-1
Benson	12-0	7-1
North	2-0	9-0
Prep	0-1	0-3
Millard South	2-3	1-4
Westside	2-3	3-2
Skutt	NM	16-1
Tournaments		
Prep JV Invite		
North	NG	6-1
Millard South	NG	2-0
Millard North	NG	0-2
Districts		
Northwest	10-0	
Lincoln High	4-1	
Ralston	4-3	
State		
Columbus	3-0	
Kearney	2-0	
Blair	5-0	
Season Record	14-4	10-4

Driving for the goal, senior co-captain Brian Maschka shows tremendous foot skills. Maschka, who played right wing, was a team offensive leader. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Co-captain senior Dave Oxenford starts the ball from defense in route for a goal. Left fullback Oxenford helped lead the Bulldogs to their first State Championship since 1990. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Junior fullback Paul Kosel attempts a pass as junior sweeper Kirk Newman offers assistance. (photo by Cherie Connors)



After beating Blair 5-0 in the State Soccer Championships, the team accepts their trophy from Principal Karen Burmood. The team won all of its games in the State Tourney with shut-outs. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

In a tough match against Prep at Tranquility, senior Mark Luedtke wards off an attack. The Bulldogs lost the game 1-0. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Stealing the ball from a Prep player, senior Cory Gieselmann shows great aggression. Gieselmann was responsible for one of the most exciting goals in the State Tournament when he crashed through and scored off a header. (photo by Cherie Connors)



GOLDEN

There was little doubt

as to who was number one after the Boys State Soccer Championships at Bryan High. The Bulldogs avenged their one goal loss of a year ago to rival Creighton Prep and destroyed all of the teams that stood between themselves and a State Championship.

The boys used a stingy defense to propel themselves in the tournament with three straight shutouts. Blair Coach Todd Wick commented, "They took everybody apart in this tournament, they just peaked at the right time."

This title was the second title since 1990 for Coach Roland Munro. Munro felt confident throughout the tournament and knew exactly how well his team could perform. His game plan for the finals was to score early, after that the defense should save the game. Scoring early was exactly what the team did.

The first goal came just 11 and one-half minutes into the game scored by junior Ted Anderson, followed by two more first half goals. After goals by brothers sophomore Mike and senior Steve Preston in the second half, the rout was on. The game ended in a 5-0 shutout.

Perhaps the strongest asset of the team was its defense which was the first team in the last decade to hold all competition scoreless in the state tournament. In fact, the boys had a string of five scoreless games to end the season.

The defensive leaders of the team were stopper senior Marc Luedtke, sweeper junior Kirk Newman, and fullbacks senior David Oxenford and junior Paul Kosel. These players were solely responsible for making goalie junior Ryan Caswell life much easier. The opposition was not able to take many quality shots, and when they did, Caswell was there for the save.

The Junior Varsity team also had a winning season, with 14 out of 20 players scoring goals at some point during the season. Offensive team leaders, according to Coach Jerry Ludwig, included freshman Josh Neal, who scored 15 goals, and Justin Riddle and Mike Dean. Leaders on the defense were sophomore Steve Coe and freshman Jim Vobejda.

TOUCH

by
Jeff
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DASHED

Showing tremendous

potential both the Varsity and JV Girls Soccer teams had winning seasons. The Varsity record was 11-6, and the JV record was 6-4-1.

Besides winning state, the three Varsity captains, seniors Jen Gillespie, Mary Healey and Dana Shane, wanted to bring the team together and play up to their full potential. Adopting the motto, "The higher they are, the harder they fall," the defending district champions had hopes of making it to State, but a loss to finalist Duchesne dashed the hopes of the team. Despite losing at the district tournament, the Varsity team which was coached by Steve Moore, ended the season ranked 8th in the state by the *Omaha World-Herald*.

Unity was the team's major strength.

"I feel that we captains have brought this team together," Shane said. "The whole team worked really hard and by pulling together the way we did, we had a really great season."

The highlight of the Varsity season was winning the Hoover Cup, both Healey and Shane agreed.

"We really came together the way we knew we could, and we all gave 100 percent," Healey explained. "Winning the Hoover Cup meant a lot to us all, especially the seniors."

On the other hand, the most disappointing part of the season was losing to Duchesne in districts. The team was really worked up for the game and lost some of their concentration.

The JV Girls Soccer Team set out at the start of the season to improve their skills and have a winning season. Both of the goals were accomplished. For the first time in three years, the JV team beat Millard South.

"It was the highlight of the season to beat Millard South. The girls really played a great game," Coach Matt Shafer said.

Team leaders included juniors Corey Wilson, Sara Kurtenbach, and freshman Jill Newman.

"Our team was really great this year. We wanted to have a winning season and we did," Kurtenbach said.

Junior Amy Teshack teems up to advance the ball down the field in hopes of scoring the first goal of the game. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Senior Jenny Gillespie hustles the ball down the field showing strong offensive skills. Gillespie was one of three senior team captains. (photo by Cherie Connors)



by
Christine
Quirk

HOPES

TEAM STATS



Freshman Bridget Sullivan avoids the defense and maneuvers down the field. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Sophomore Christine Johnson sets up a teammate to score. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Senior Dana Shane advances the ball down the field and avoids the defense. Shane was a team leader. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Sophomore Christine Johnson traps a punt from one of her teammates. Junior Jill Worley comes in from behind to offer any assistance Johnson may need. (photo by Cherie Connors)



GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER *Front row:* Carrie Bizzarri, Bridget Sullivan, Lindsey Plummer, Allison Lidolph, Lora Peterson, Ann Mulligan, Tammy Heinz, Amy Teshack, Megan Heim. *Back row:* Coach Chris Kranjck, Coach Steve Moore, Mary Becker, Jill Worley, Jamie Bizzarri, Jennifer Gillespie, Brooke Beine, Christine Johnson, Dana Shane, Mary Healey, Coach Matt Schafer, Manager Nate Vesely. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



JV GIRLS SOCCER *Front row:* Noel Tesar, Angie Neal, Sara Kurtenbach, Lynn Yancey, Jill Newman, Corey Wilson, Amy Duncan, Annette Eden, Jena Lowe. *Back row:* Manager Nate Vesely, Dana Fester, Kathy Johnson, Holly Beyette, Amanda Tollefson, Lisa Delashmutt, Kim Brothers, Alyssa Arends, Coach Matt Shafer. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

GIRLS SOCCER	Varsity BHS/Opp.	JV BHS/Opp.
Opponent		
Ralston	2-0	4-1
Westside	1-3	0-5
Northwest	7-1	4-0
Central	9-1	5-1
Thomas Jefferson	5-1	5-2
Millard North	1-3	0-4
Benson	1-0	NM
North	3-0	NM
Duschene	0-3	0-2
Marian	2-4	0-8
Millard South	0-2	3-1
Norfolk	3-0	NM
Duschene	1-3	NM
Bryan	NM	5-3
Skutt	NM	3-3
Tournaments		
Moore Cup		
Bryan	11-0	
Hoover Cup	1st	
Abraham Lincoln	2-1	
Bellevue East	3-1	
Marian	1-0	
Season Record	11-6	6-4-1

STROKE

Just one
stroke

along with an interesting twist separated the Boys Varsity Golf team from its second State title in the past three years. The team lost a sudden death play-off to Lincoln East only to find that the play-off was unnecessary due to a scoring error. When the error was corrected, it showed that the Dawgs had fallen one stroke short of Lincoln East in the 18-hole tournament, thus nullifying the play-off. Yet in finishing second, the Dawgs were able to claim the second and fourth place finishes in the State meet by seniors Matt Kadavy and Mark Wright respectively.

The team finished the season with a 6-1 dual record lead by Wright, Kadavy, senior Brian Jorde, and junior Dan Shirck.

After coming off wins in duels over Bryan and Northwest, the Dawgs prepared for Metro and Districts. In both, the Dawgs finished with strong third place showings, which gave them confidence coming into state.

"After Districts we knew that we could compete with anyone," junior David Kulakofsky said. "We just needed to put everything together and come out strong and confident in our abilities."

Come out strong is what they did as the Dawgs ripped through Hastings' Lochland golf course and put themselves right in the thick of the hunt for the State title.

"All of the practicing and long car rides to tournaments helped build a camaraderie among the team. We came together at State and truly showed what we were capable of," Jorde stated.

All of the golfers turned in impressive finishes at state led by Kadavy's personal best, second place showing, Wright's fourth place finish, and Kulakofsky's nine stroke improvement from the Hastings Invite, also held at Lochland.

"It was just a matter of everyone playing well on the same day," Jorde said. "We didn't put any pressure on ourselves, we just came out and played."

"I'm proud of them," Coach Robert Shirck said. "They are all good solid kids who did well in representing our school."

by
Steven
Saylor

SHORT



Teeing-off at Metro, senior Mark Wright concentrates on his shot. Wright was consistently Burke's top golfer. (photo by Bob Shirck)



Practicing on the putting green, senior Jason Kadavy and junior David Kulakofsky work on their short games. (photo by Bob Shirck)

Receiving his first place medal at Metro, Senior Mark Wright accepts congratulations from the North High coach as the rest of the Varsity team watches intently. (photo by Bob Shirck)



Accepting gratitude from Millard South's Ryan Vermeer, senior Mark Wright celebrates his Metro title after a three hole play-off for first. (photo by Bob Shirck)

Preparing for a sudden death play-off for the Metro crown, senior Mark Wright concentrates on his tee shot. (photo by Bob Shirck)

TEAM STATS



BOYS VARSITY GOLF Front row: Jason Kadavy, Jeff Anderson, Paul Schoonover, Nick Randall, Carl Schroeder, Mike Schroeder, David Kulakofsky. Row 2: Ryan Larson, Brian Jorde Mark Wright, Coach Robert Shirck, Andy Licht, Dan Shirck, Troy Pollard. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

BOYS GOLF	Varsity	JV
Opponent	Score/Place	
Central/Prep	159/1	194/2
T.J	173/1	188/1
North	127/1	145/1
Westside	144/2	175/1
Millard North/ Millard South	148/1	193/2
Bryan	140/1	169/1
Northwest	315/1	N/A
Invitationals		
Central	337/4	N/A
Westside	339/10	N/A
Hastings	322/3	N/A
Prep	332/6	N/A
Burke	323/3	N/A
Tournaments		
JV Tourney	N/A	168/3
Metro	315/3	N/A
Districts	329/3	N/A
State	306/2	N/A
Dual Record	6-1	4-2

TEAM STATS

After winning their third consecutive Metro Title, the Varsity team poses for a picture at Dewey Park. (photo courtesy of Lisa Coren)



Sophomore Shannon Horbach, #2 singles, hits a forehand winner. (photo by Gary Lundeen)



VARSITY TENNIS Front row: Merel van Hoeve, Shannon Horbach. Row 2: Ali Horbach, Ashley Larsen, Kelly Horbach, Emily Echols. Back row: Sarah Fredstrom, Ashleigh Echols, Sara Jaros, Coach Gary Lundeen, Lisa Coren, Stephanie Diamantus, Val Cook. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)



J.V. TENNIS Front row: Akiko Yamazaki, Shana Novak, Jessi Morgan, Laura Bokelman, Fria Ahmed. Back row: Coach Jim Engelhart, Nicole Violett, Amanda Baeder, Amy Hildreth, Stacy Domanish, CJ Cunningham, Bethany Simpson. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

GIRLS TENNIS	VARSITY	JV
Opponent	BHS/Opp.	BHS/Opp.
Marian	3-6	
Millard North	7-2	3-6
Thomas Jefferson	9-0	10-2
North	9-0	9-1
Bryan	9-0	NM
Northwest	9-0	NM
Millard South	8-1	NM
South	9-0	9-1, 10-0
Lincoln High	9-1	NM
Papillion	NM	6-3
Fremont/NM	7-2	
Lincoln East	NM	6-4
Central	NM	9-0
Bellevue East	NM	5-5
Triangular Meets		
Lincoln S.E./Fremont	12-6-0	
Westside/Lincoln E.	10-5-3	
Ralston Tournament		
Westside/Grand Island	44-31-28	
Fremont Invite		
Marion/Grand Island	48-36-34	
Metro Tournament	1st (54 points)	
State Tournament	1st (47 points)	
Season Record	8-1	8-1-1



Approaching the net, senior Sarah Fredstrom works on her drop shots. Fredstrom was a member of the State Championship #1 singles team. (photo by Matt Nabity)



Practicing her first serves, senior Sara Jaros swings away. Jaros was a four time State champion. (photo by Matt Nabity)





Before playing #2 doubles their match at State, freshman Kelly Horbach and senior Ali Horbach get advice from Coach Gary Lundeen. (photo by Stephanie Diamantus)

Finishing her follow through, #1 singles player junior Lisa Coren prepares for her next swing. (photo by Marc Sherman)



3-PEAT

Coming off two

back-to-back State Championships, expectations were high. Fans weren't disappointed as the Girls Varsity Tennis Team, coached by Gary Lundeen, pulled off dominating performances at both Metro and State to claim a third straight set of titles.

"Our team depth and strength allowed us to play super at Metro and State," Lundeen said. "Even the matches we lost were excellently played."

The team captured the #1 and #2 doubles titles at Metro, while claiming second place finishes in both #1 and #2 singles.

At Metro, sophomore Shannon Horbach finished a strong second place in #2 singles, while her sisters senior Alison Horbach and freshman Kelley Horbach teamed-up for a #2 doubles crown.

At State, the Bulldogs were able to place in the top 4 in the race for all four titles as they coasted to team title. Seniors Sarah Fredstrom and Sara Jaros captured the #1 doubles title, Shannon Horbach finished second in #2 singles, junior Lisa Coren placed third in #1 singles, and Alison and Kelley Horbach ended-up fourth in #2 doubles.

"The accomplishment of winning Metro and State this season was even greater than the past two years because there was so much competition," Coren explained.

Along with Coren the team was led throughout the year by the steady play of the #1 doubles team of Fredstrom and Jaros. The team went undefeated for the season adding an exclamation point on their dominance with a straight-set victory in the State finals over a competitive Marian team.

For Fredstrom the doubles title at state was a welcome addition to her three #2 doubles titles dating back to freshman year. The #1 doubles title was a fourth state championship for Jaros, her third straight #1 doubles title as a bulldog. She also captured the Class B #1 singles crown for Duschene as a freshman.

The JV team finished its strong season with an 8-1-1 record. The basic goals of the team were to improve the teams tennis skills and teach the girls how to compete. The highlight, according to coach Jim Engelhart, was losing only one match.

CHAMPS

by
Steven
Saylors

TEAM STATS



BOYS VARSITY TRACK *Front row:* Ryan Fisher, Frank Novotny, Terrance Hill, Steve Talbot, Tyrone Lee, Jason Yoo, Scott Newland, Jeff Jorgensen, Jason Banks. *Row 2:* Mike Ferber, Lonnie Johnson, Karnell Perkins, Matt Tippery, Kent Cisar, Jason Schmitz, Eddie Lund, Eric Coffman, Adam Julch, Chris Gritmit, Nate Penny. *Row 3:* Travis Flodine, Charlie Holcumb, Dusty Weiss, Joe McCrillis, David Treat, Joe Olsen, James Cooke, John Barry, Dan Underwood, Chad Grosse. *Row 4:* Dan Vlach, Skyler Steinke, David Saylor, Jason Masek, Tom Dahl, Rusty Hughell, Jeff Nicolaisen, Wyatt Tuell, Jemale Brown, Curtis Wollen. (photo by Rick Billings Studio)



GIRLS VARSITY TRACK *Front row:* Katie Sevensing, Katie McGowan, Anna Wilcot, Maria Haag, Suzanne Freimuth. *Row 2:* Jill Peterson, Chris Swenson, Cory Schiemann, Nicole Davidson, Alison Hughell, Jamie Leudkte, Alison Gordon, Karen Aken, Lindsay Votova, Tracey Stick. *Row 3:* Erin Horeis, Kristy Vieregger, Emily Crim, Michelle Rubin, Julie Ommen, Connie Quigley, Erin Elliot, Julie Lund, Andrea Petersen, Nicole Cleek, Jessica Doty, Shelli Martin, Gina Guerrero., Coach Bill Scarborough. *Row 4:* Candice Burkholder, Margaret Jeregui, Holly Worthington, Jamie Sing, Naomi Underwood, Janell Stevens, Michaela Hargens, Jeri Eberhardt, Sheena Apell, Katie Wolf, Kim Vincent. Not pictured Becky Mohatt. (photo by Rick Billings Studio)

VARSITY TRACK

Meet	Boys	Girls
Burke Relays	1st	3rd
Milliard North	NM	6th
Ralston	NM	8th
Milliard South	1st	6th
Central	2nd	5th
Papillion LaVista	1st	5th
Metro	2nd	14th
Districts	1st	5th
State	6th	21st

Keeping her body torqued, senior shot putter Connie Quigley throws at the State Meet. Quigley competed for both shot put and discus at State.

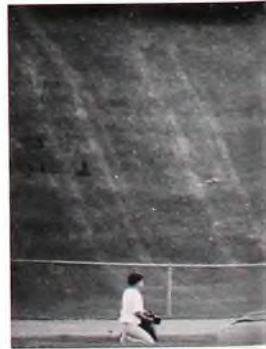


Concentrating on his corner, sophomore Matt Tippery kicks it in on his mile. Tippery finished fourth in the mile at State.



Senior Michelle Rubin and freshman Janelle Treat make a perfect exchange. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Senior Jeff Jorgensen warms up an Milliard South. (photo by Julia Jorgensen)





Senior Tyrone Lee competes in the Long jump at the Burke Relays. (photo courtesy of Coach Lawrence)

Senior Naomi Underwood concentrates while running in the 3200 relay at State. (photo courtesy of Coach Scarborough)



Making his move, senior Jason Yoo turns it on in the 400 at the State Meet. You finished 2nd overall in the finals. (photo courtesy of Coach Scarborough)

Not forgetting to arch his back, junior Eric Coffman works on his high jumping. (photo courtesy of Coach Lawrence)

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It was a banner

year for the Boys Varsity Track team. With the experience of several seniors and strong underclassman contributions, the team vaulted into the season with the goals of winning the Metro, District, and State titles.

The boys got off to a fast start with an impressive victory at the Burke Relays, followed by a second place finish at North Platt's very own Buffalo Bill Relays, losing the championship by a mere four points.

As the year progressed, the team improved as the competition increased. The boys were crowned champs of the Millard South and Papillion Invitationals and were poised going into the last major three meets of the season: Metro, Districts, and State.

The Bulldogs cruised to a second place finish at Metro, and repeated their District championship title. The team qualified many competitors to the state meet.

Team leaders included seniors Jason Yoo, Jeff Jorgensen, sophomore Matt Tippery, and senior Jason Schmitz.

Overall, the boys finished a respectable 6th place at the state meet. Yoo finished second in the 400, and 6th in the 300 intermediate hurdles. Senior Tyrone Lee finished 6th in the 100 meter dash, and Jorgensen finished 2nd in the discus, breaking a school record, while fellow thrower Scott Newland finished 9th. The team accumulated 26 points in the state meet, finishing off a great season.

"We were a well balanced team. We were able to score in the field as well as on the track," Coach Merlin Lawrence stated. "Perhaps our biggest obstacle was finding the right people to compete in the early season relays."

It was a long season for the young girls track team. The team worked on developing work ethics and learning how to compete at their highest ability.

Team leaders included senior Naomi Underwood, senior Connie Quigley, junior Becky Mohatt, junior Erin Horeis, sophomore Katie McGowan, and sophomore Suzanne Freimuth.

The greatest obstacles facing the girls were nagging injuries that sidelined some throughout the season.

Coach Bill Scarborough was pleased with his girls' effort throughout the the season and at State. "Our team improved in teamwork and cooperation every week," Scarborough said, "If this group can learn to desire to succeed, they will do very well."

SETTERS

by
Jeff
Jorgensen

GROWING

Frustrating. That

one word pretty much summed up the Varsity Baseball season. The team started the season with hopes of winning the State Tournament, but fell short when they lost to Millard South in the second round of district competition.

Throughout the season, the young Bulldog team worked on its defense. "The major obstacles this team had to overcome were its low team batting average and having too many errors leading to lots of unearned runs," Varsity Coach Mitch Hansen said.

Hansen added that the team's strengths were its quickness and its pitching. The team had two good pitchers in senior Kevin German and junior Jim Voisin.

"Our year got off to a rocky start, but by the end the team had improved a lot," said junior Jim Voisin.

Other team leaders, according to Hansen, included senior first baseman Cedric Welch and outfielder Eric Givner, and junior right fielder Ben Titus. Welch led the team with the highest batting average.

Season highlights, Hansen said, were the team's 8-1 victory over Westside, the eventual state runner-ups to Northwest, and winning the Spartan (Lincoln East) Invitational.

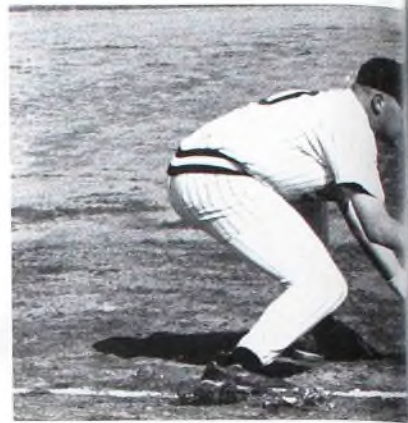
"The Lincoln East Invitational was a turning point of the season. It got us on the right track and afterwards we started playing more as a team," junior Ben Titus said.

"The team worked hard this season and we started to play better at the end of the season," junior outfielder Mike Hermesen said. "We needed to play better at the beginning as well."

In addition to working hard on their game, many members of the team worked hard on the field's \$20,000 renovations. Field improvements included infield and outfield sprinklers, a warning track, and new dirt.

"All the hard work the baseball players and parents put in the field over the fall and winter was well worth it because the field is really nice to play on," senior infielder Lee Dresser said.

Judging a hot grounder, senior Lee Dresser prepares for an awkward bounce. Third base was a hard position to play due to hard grounders and line drives. (photo by Matt Nabity)



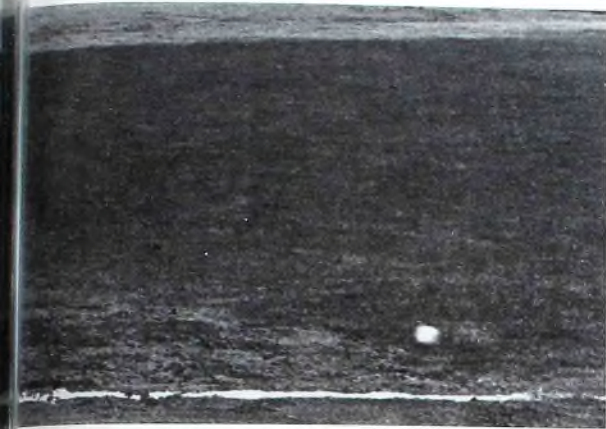
Waiting on a fast ball, senior Kevin German picks out his pitch. German also pitched for the team. (photo by Matt Nabity)

Warming up his pitching arm, junior Tony Cianni throws in infield practice while his teammates look on. (photo by Matt Nabity)

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PAINS

TEAM STATS



Giving his delivery, junior Jim Voisin throws his curve ball. Voisin was a very effective pitcher for the team. (photo by Matt Nability)



Leaping at third base, senior Lee Dresser concentrates on catching a fly ball. Dresser was a key member of the Bulldogs infield. (photo by Matt Nability)



VARSITY BASEBALL Front row: Ricky Murillo, Matt Rech, Paul Burri. Row 2: Court Lavato, Mike Sortino, Matt Clure, Mike Hermesen, Jeremy Robson. Row 3: Jim Voisin, Ben Titus, Kevin German, Coach Mitch Hansen, Jeff Faiman, Zach McDermott. Back row: Aaron Nielsen, Eric Givner, Cedric Welch, Andy Miller, Lee Dresser. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

VARSITY BASEBALL BHS/Opp

Papillion	2-4
Bellevue East	5-6
Northwest	2-6
Lincoln Southeast	5-7
South	11- 5
Gross	5-8
Bellevue West	7-6
Millard North	4-6
Westside	9-2
Millard South	1-15
Lincoln East	11- 8
Bryan	8-5
Benson	1-5
North	11-12
Lincoln East	11- 4
Northwest	1-3
Roncalli	10- 0
Ralston	1-6
Prep	8-19
Tournaments	
Lincoln East	1st
Districts	
Roncalli	7/2
Millard North	1/2

MASTER

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every game and giving the best performance possible were two goals members of the JV and Reserve baseball teams had when they began their season.

Judging by the teams' records, they were successful.

The JV boys ended the season with a 14-3-1 record. "Fourteen wins has to be one of the best accomplishments ever on the JV level," Coach Marty Torrez said. "Winning the Lincoln East tournament was also very exciting."

Team leaders identified by Coach Torrez included juniors Drew Brown, Tony Ciani, Chris Minardi, Ricky Murillo, and Ryan Olson.

"We had great team unity," Torrez said. "We had an overall desire to win." Because the JV team was little older than usual, it was very competitive. Torrez said he wished that more team members would have had the opportunity to have more playing time, especially some of the team's younger players.

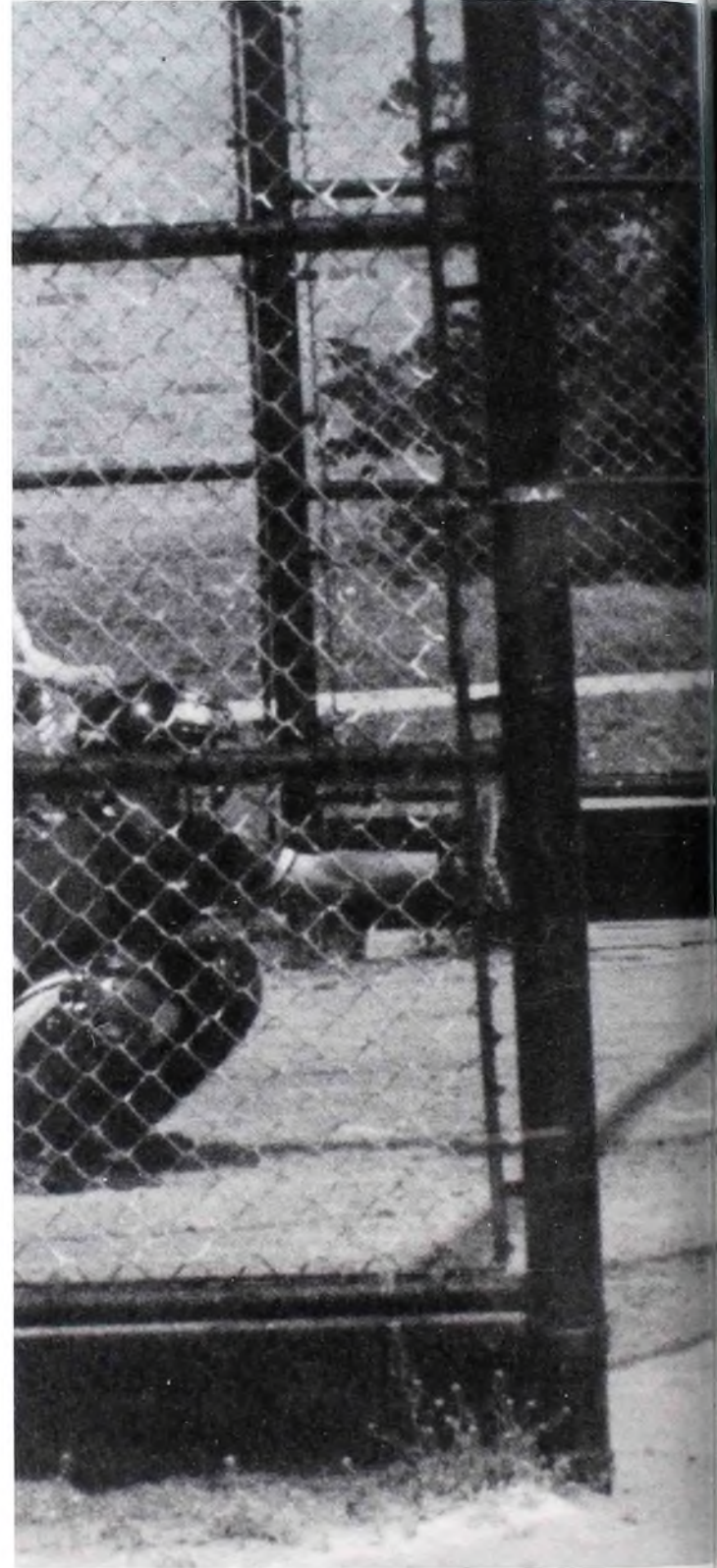
"After losing the first game, we were down, but we regrouped and our confidence went up. We started to believe in ourselves and ended up winning 10 games in a row. We also used our hitting strengths and beliefs in ourselves to dominate the Lincoln Tournament," said junior Tony Ciani. "Winning the Lincoln Tournament was the highlight of my season."

Leaders on the Reserve team included freshman Brian Zimmerman, sophomore Mike Ruback, freshman Brian Gunn, freshman Brad Eakin and freshman MJ Kratina. Zimmerman led the team with a .438 batting average, tied for most homers with Gunn at one, scored the most runs, 18, and had the most walks, 15. Ruback led the team with 15 RBI's, while Eakin led with a .645 on base percentage. Kratina and Gunn each had 10 strikeouts.

Leading Reserve pitchers included freshman Syneca Horton, sophomore Jason Epstein, freshman Brett Clure, freshman Lance Phillips, and freshman Tom Ostronic.

Horton, with three wins, pitched 22.3 innings. Epstein only allowed 27 hits, and Clure had 22 strikeouts Phillips had an ERA of 3.96.

A towering homer by junior Ricky Murillo bring the team cheering of the bench. (photo by Marty Torrez)



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Jorgensen

SKILLS



While pitching at Waterloo Valley, Tate Meier posts a victory. (photo by Marty Torrez)

Junior Chris Minardi sizes up a fastball at a tournament in Lincoln. (photo by Marty Torrez)



TEAM STATS



JV BASEBALL: Front row: Brad Reynolds, John Fitzekam, Ricky Murillo. Row 2: Peter Borovac, Mike Ruback, Ryan Olson, Coach Marty Torrez, Beau Morrison. Back Row: Brian Eakin, John Stevens, Drew Brown, Tate Meier, Matt Saathoff, Chris Minardi, Tony Ciani. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Studio)

RESERVE BASEBALL Front row: Brian Zimmerman, Michael Ruback, M.J. Kratina, Brett Clure, Thomas Ostronic, Scott Fortkamp, Lance Phillips, Brian Gunn. Row 2: Brad Eakin, Jason Epstein, Jeff Hollingsworth, Brent Holmquist, Jason Gurney, Frank Ryan, Syneca Horton, Folland. (no photo)

JV/ RESERVE BASEBALL

Opponent	BHS/Opp	BHS/Opp
Northwest	7-7	NA
Lincoln SE	4-5	NA
Gross	13-5	NA
Bellevue West	5-1	NA
Bryan	15-5	NA
Lincoln East	12-2	NA
Lincoln East	10-7 (9 innings)	NA
Westside	6-2	NA
Millard South	6-13 (9 innings)	NA
Papio	8-9	NA
Lincoln East	14-4	NA
Lincoln High	7-3	NA
Waterloo	9-5	NA
Benson	16-1	NA
South	15-13	10-3
North	5-1	7-5
Ralston	11-5	NA
Prep	12-3	1-4 1-4
Millard North	NA	10-15
Overall Record	14-3-1	10-7

MATTER OF

TIME

After spending a full day in an intellectual surrounding, you would think that most students would rush home right after the 2:50 p.m. dismissal bell. However, over 75 percent of the student body was involved in at least one of the 52 clubs available, and that meant putting in some after-school hours.

If taking samples with SEA at Heron Haven, Omaha's wetlands, wasn't your idea of fun, you could have joined Club B and made posters for our athletic teams, or joined one of the language clubs and gone ice skating.

One thing became clear early on. It took time to make things happen. Hours of planning by Student Government members went in to the preparation of Homecoming's "Caribbean Cruise." Revising the pep rally and parade didn't just happen over night. Likewise, the cheerleaders, pompon squad, marching band, and flag corps spent hours readying for the weekend's exciting events.

In the heat of the mid-August sun, the Yearbook staff met and quickly discovered just how much time went in to preparing the annual. The staff quickly learned not to slack as procrastination became the thief of time.

Hours of practice went into each routine the pompon and cheerleading squads performed, and rehearsals took the place of Oprah when ensemble and drama clubs members prepared for stage.

Making a contribution to the community was part of most clubs. NHS members spent a vacation day shopping with the visually impaired, and student government members collected canned goods for the needy hoping to make their holiday season a little brighter.

Time mattered more and more as the year flew by and there was always something to do; we relished our time with friends while moving on from one activity to another.

by
Jeff
Jorgensen





Analyzing the effects of pollution at Heron Haven, SEA members Janice Haack, Lisa Jensen, and Fauzia Azimi test water samples. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

Accentuating the down beat, drum major senior Eric Hochstein practices with the Marching Band. Hochstein was heavily involved in art and music. (photo by Cherie Connors)



After hours of planning by the cheerleaders, senior Lisa Millard tapes up streamers during Homecoming. (photo by Courtney Johnson)

SCHOOLS

Making posters, practicing cheers and dances, memorizing formations and designing T-shirts are just part of what it takes to support those Dawgs SPIRITS SOAR HIGH



Cheering to the crowd, the Varsity cheerleaders kept the spirit up at the Burke/ Westside game. Burke went on to beat the Warriors. (photo by Shana Novak)

It's 8th hour. Members of the Marching Band and Flag Corp are out on the football field rehearsing, while the Pom Squad and the cheerleading squads are in the gym perfecting their routines. After school, members of Club B are in the cafeteria making signs. All of this activity was in preparation for the big game.

"We basically support all athletic teams here at Burke by hanging ban-

ners all over school the day before their games," Club B president Megan Heim said.

Club B met after school on Thursdays to prepare for weekend games.

"We not only help the teams out, but also do fun things like decorating homecoming floats and even the whole school."

The Band and Flag Corp added to school

spirit, too.

"Performing at games made all the practicing we did pay off in a big way!" sophomore Sarah Kirke said.

The Pom Squad also worked hard to keep the crowd hyped.

"We come to school at 6 a.m. every morning and practice different dances to perform for the student body," junior Cari Perlmeter said. "We always hope the crowd will like our performance and will cheer the team on

because of it."

Other clubs that had noting to do with dancing, cheering, or playing an instrument kept school spirits high.

Student Government members and Senior Senate worked hard to plan fun school functions like homecoming, fundraisers, and pep rallies.

"We started working on Homecoming in May," senior Mark Nielsen said. "We really wanted the weekend to be a blast, and I think we did that."

Senior Senate came up with a fundraiser for the Senior Class that not only increased their treasury, but also got students to "Go out and support those Dawgs."

When the Bulldogs made it to the State Basketball Tournament, the Senate sold "Unfinished Business" T-shirts. Over 550 shirts were sold.

"We wanted a shirt that would stand out, so we picked a black shirt," senior Dave Oxenford said.

—Shana Novak



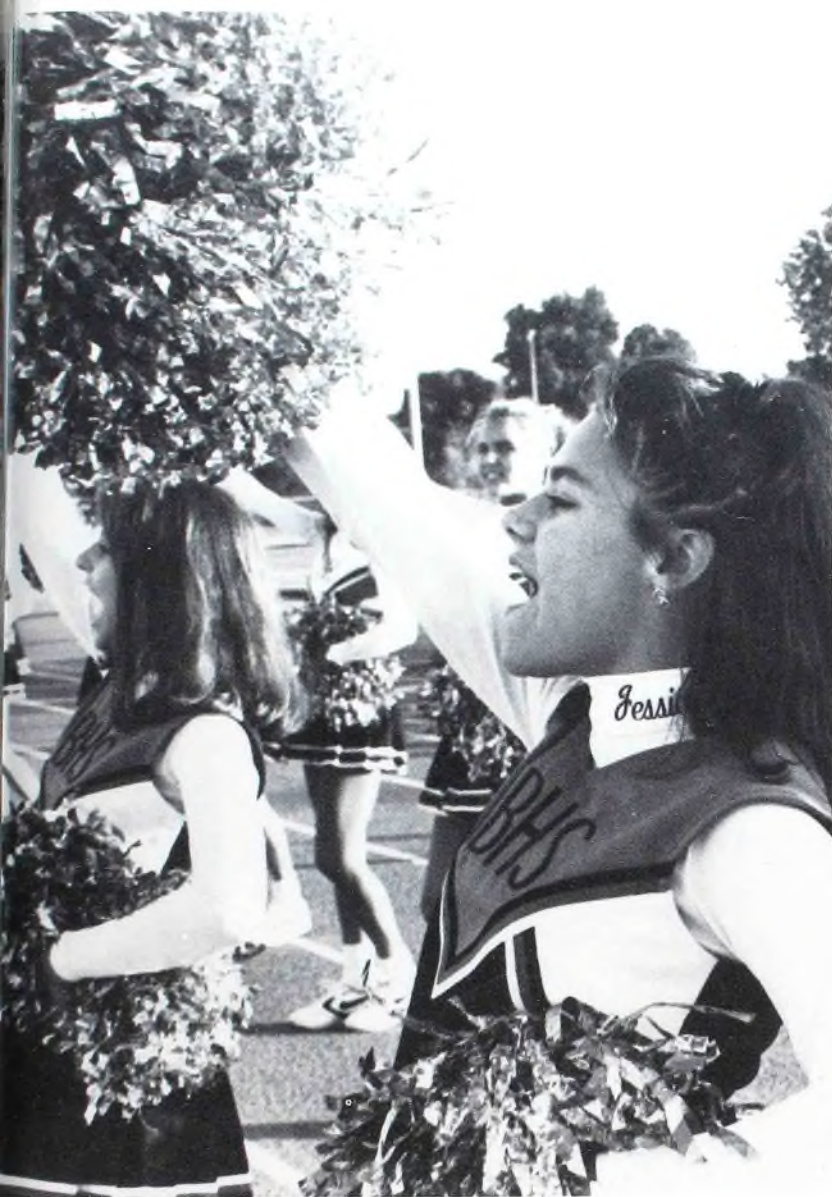
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ACADEMIC DECATHLON *Front row:* Yemi Smith, Becky Perelman, Jason Itkin, Kim Jiede, Brian Jorde, Shannon Holm, Jeff Connor, Ralph Haag. *Row 2:* Joni Percival, David Kriesfeld, Ricky Murillo, Faisal Ahmed, Edweena Wade, Katie Wolf, Sam Nanfite. *Row 3:* Missy Hudson, Pat Coons, Mike Piccolo, Chad McCrillis, Matt Nabity, Eric Krelle, Tory Mullins, Makayla Maclin, Candy Gray. *Row 4:* Angie Fleming, Ben Ebong, Chris Smith, Bryan Rockwood, Sam Woleben, Joe Smith, Karalee Ziemba. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography.)



AFRICAN AMERICAN ACHIEVERS *Front row:* Dr. Carol Jackson(sponsor), Angelic Green, Hunter, Monica Tripp, Christina Gatewood, Angie Flemmings, Tanisha Elem, Shauntal Holms, Tovey, Christina Johnson, Alicia Scranton, Kaushan Richardson, Sabrina Moody. *Row 2:* Holly (sponsor), Kimberly McWilliams, Mitchell Bronson, Edward Jackson, Theresa Miller, Felisha Makayla Maclin, Kendra Maroney, Brandon Walker, Keeley Bibins, Daudi Merriweather, Bri Ceritta Turner, Asha Mobley. *Row 3:* Jamar Williams, Troy Hollis, Laron Ross, Eric Williams, Goltl, Azizi Merriweather, Mike Mallory, Kenvi Mahone, Shanekia Colbert, Candance Gray Williams, Contessa Kellogg, Yemi Smith. *Row 4:* Marg Hill, Patrick Collins, Conlontra Hughes, Tremble, Liljog Davis, Tim Veasley, Ben Ebong, Dee Looney, Terrell Rooks, Damione Moore Jones, Terrence Hill, Cliff Hodges, Kevin Johnson. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

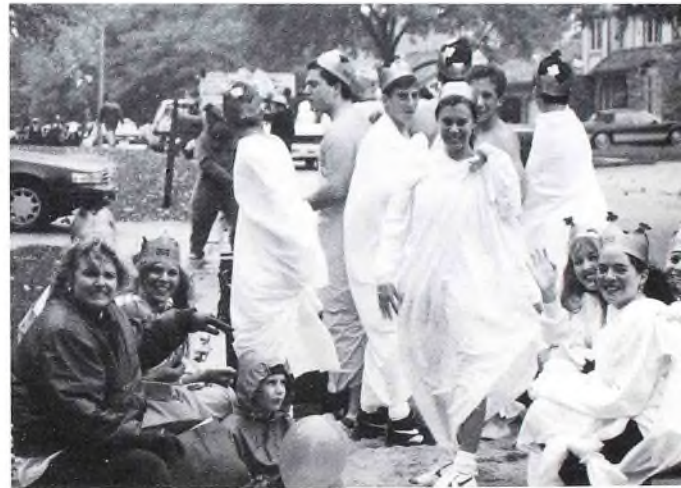


Keeping the spirits high, JV Cheerleaders Carin Riekes and Jessie Cathcart chant "Bulldog Power" to the students. (photo by Cherie Connors)

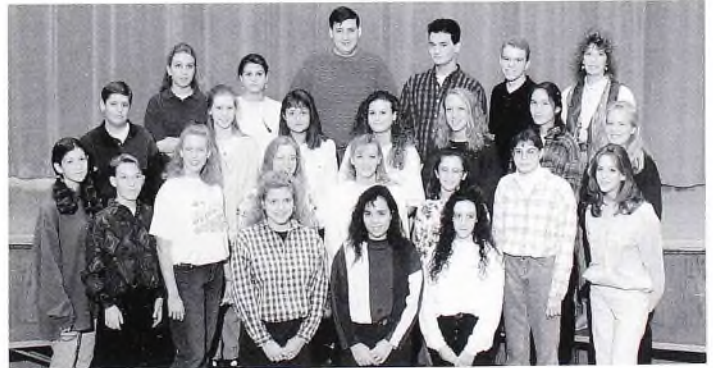


Members of Club B explain what their club is all about at Eighth Grade Orientation. (photo by Cherie Connors)

The Junior class has a toga party on their Homecoming float. (photo by Cherie Connors)



STUDENT BODY OFFICERS Front row: Cherry Witham (sponsor), Zach Graham, Kevin Saylan, Fauzia Azimi, Amy... (text is partially cut off)



ART CLUB Front row: Katie Walker, Jody Slachetka, Naomi Underwood. Row 2: Beth Katz, Brett Katelman, Amanda Tollefson, Jessica Rieck, Holly Kudrna, Jodi Lerner, Heather Otto, Kim Danner. Row 3: Matt Pelowski, Kerry Tulson, Olga Borovskaya, Becky Vanderbrink, Janice Haaack, Kristy Vieregger, Hayley Morinelli. Row 4: Carissa Peters, Michaela King, Rob Hughes, John Bergin III, Jay Thultgen, Carolyn Schmitz (sponsor). (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography.)

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SUMMER

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Early morning practices, long hours, and hard work during hot afternoons were a part of many students lives during the summer



During the watermelon feed, JV cheerleaders Joan Daughton and Jaimie Olsen keep the crowd's spirits high. Cheerleaders practiced many mornings during the summer. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

Once the school year was over, most students looked forward to sleeping late every morning or soaking up the sun during the afternoon. But, for many students this wasn't always possible. Members of many Burke groups were required to practice or prepare for the upcoming year during their summer vacation.

For many groups, practice sometimes involved long, early morning hours.

"We had to be up at school at 5:45 in the morning every other week to practice for camp and the first pep rally," senior Pom Squad member Tanya Reyes said.

Varsity cheerleader Lisa Millard said, "During August, everyone was required to come to practice from seven to nine in the morning. The

Varsity squad taught the other squads the football cheers and the eight counts and

made sure everyone could check-off. It was really fun, but also very stressful."

For other groups, early mornings weren't required, but long hours were.

Yearbook editor Jeff Jorgensen said, "Before the school year started, I worked two to three days a week for three to four hours getting the layouts and themes ready for the yearbook."

Flag Corps captain Ali-

cia Scranton said, "We worked a few days a week for two hours. It was really hot during the afternoon, but we got a lot done."

Other groups met less often, but accomplished just as much. Student Government met only a few times over the summer, but many important decisions were made.

"During the summer, we made plans for the decorations for Homecoming. We started making the big decorations like the ship and planning the coronation decorations," senior member Christy Urosevich said.

Ensemble member Michelle France said, "We met once over the summer to discuss the fundraising for our uniforms for the year. Getting that over with during the summer made the year easier."

No matter how much time or how many days the groups spent working during the summer, all agreed that meeting over the summer made the school year easier.

—Kim Jiede

The senior Pom Squad members work on their dance the final basketball game before school. The Pom Squad practiced during the summer for pep rallies and coronations. (photo by Cherie Connor)



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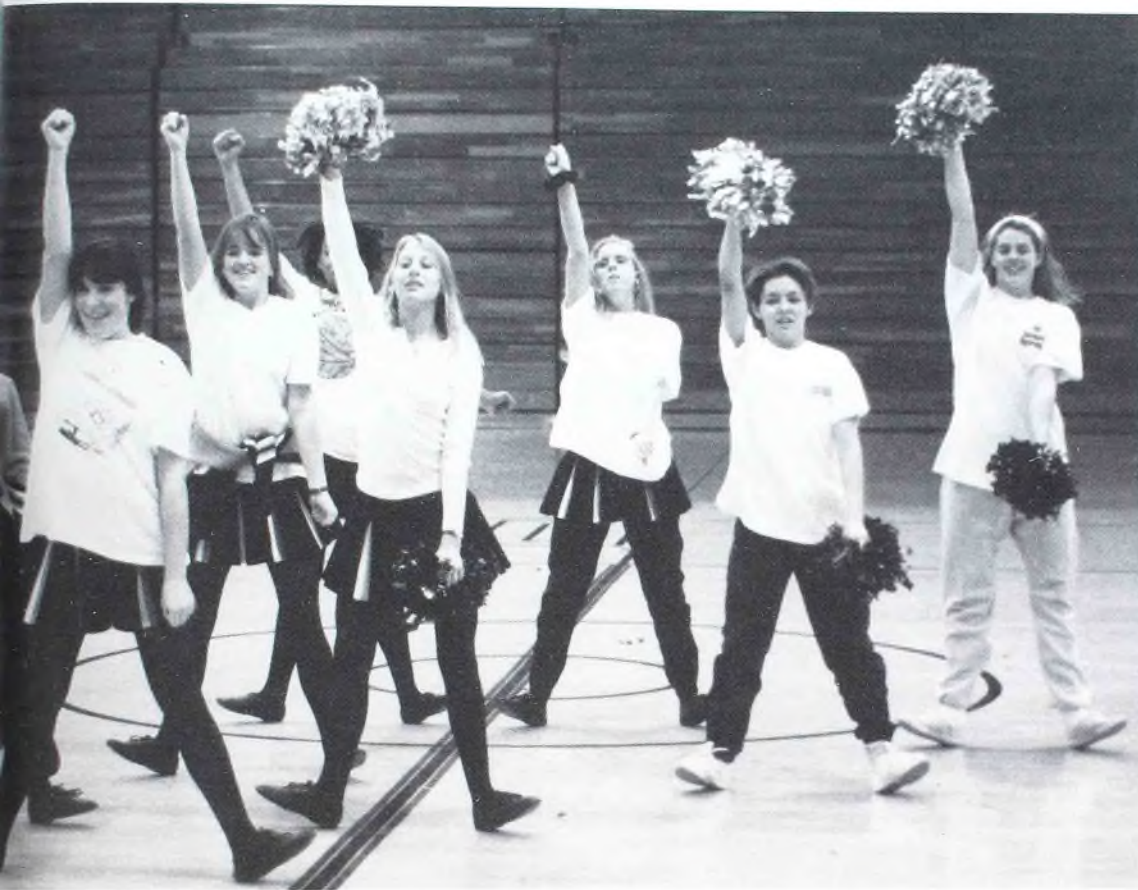
FRESHMAN CHEERLEADERS Front row: Jessie Morgan, Gina Guerrero, Laura Bockelman. Row 2: Lindsay Votava, Shelli Martin, Janell Stevens, Angela Batchelder, Jill Faraci. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



SOPHOMORE CHEERLEADERS Front Row: Angie Urosevich, Robbie-Jo Haagenson. Row 2: Daubman, Shannon Robson, Laurie Epstein, Kris Aldinger. Row 3: Julie Abrahamson, Alyssa Welser, Becky Bell, Anna Basso. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



Showing their spirit to the crowd, sophomore cheerleaders Laurie Epstein, Shannon Robson, Kris Aldinger, and Alyssa Wedemeyer cheer at the watermelon feed. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)



While practicing their routine for the first football game, sophomore Nick Spath and senior Matt Nelson perfect their half-time show. (photo by Cherie Connors)



VARSAITY CHEERLEADERS Front row: Carin Riekes, Jessica Cathcart, Shana Novak. Row 2: Schaefer, Laurie Brown, Joan Daughton, Megan Heim. Row 3: Katie Wolf, Tina Cruz, Jeana Oger, Heather O'Gara, Jaimie Olsen. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



VARSAITY CHEERLEADERS Front Row: Terri Keber, Amy Gunn, Shannon Holm, Jill Webner, Christine Quirk, Kim Jiede, Jodi Hendrickson. Row 2: Amy Schaeppi, Jamie Sazama, Kristin Jenkins, Laura Sides, Kim Faiman, Lisa Millard, Vicki Sazama. (photo courtesy of Andrews Photography)

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PREPARE

YOURSELF FOR FUTURE



Before yearbook distribution day, junior Megan Heim helps alphabetize stamped books. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Clubs help students get an early start on the future by introducing them to career ideas and job opportunities

What do you want to be when you grow up?

What field of business do you intend to go into?

What college do you want to attend?

Students who wanted to get a jump on answering these questions often joined clubs to help them find the answers. Debate, Junior Engineering Technological Society, Future Teachers and Nebraska Math, Engineering and Science Achievement helped

students become aware of job opportunities, learn job skills, learn about the world, and at the same time gave students a chance to meet new people and have fun.

"Debate has given me valuable speaking and research skills," vice president senior Tessa Kellogg said. "It

has enriched my speaking vocabulary. I definitely feel more prepared for college life in my career through my participation for speech and debate."

JETS members learned more about careers in science and engineering. Members went on field trips to places like the University of Nebraska at Omaha for various competitions and demonstrations.

"It helps prepare me, a science student, for the future by touring various medical, engineering and biological facili-

ties," senior Bobby Shapiro said.

Students interested in a career in education could join Future Teacher club. Members volunteered to tutor grade school students.

"The best part of the clubs is that it helps you get different styles of teaching," sophomore Pat Meisinger said.

"We got together to advertise nominating teachers for Buffett award," senior Chritine Quirk said. "I think that was a good thing to do."

Academic excellence was also the focus of students involved in Nebraska MESA. This group encouraged students to study math and science and exposed members to college and career opportunities.

"The goal," sponsor Molly Witzenburg said, "is to increase awareness of opportunities for minorities in math, science and engineering fields, where minorities are currently under-represented."

—Susan Bokelmann



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Varsity Spirit Squad Front row: April Lorsch, Jill Krelle, Lisa Goodwin, Kristian McComb, Corie Geller, Sabrina Moody. Row 2: Missy Bradley, Kari Wolt, Tanisha Avery, Kerry Schmidt, Dana Votava. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



Clown Troupe Front row: Stacey Leonard, Monica Tripp, Keeley Bibins, Shauntel Stennis, Le Manning. Row 2: Carol Nickerson (sponsor), Angelic Green, Karen Beck, Missy Bradley, Dee Deedorf, Micaela Golding, James Flinn. Row 3: Laymashia Briggs, Alicia Scranton, Starla Sanders, Razac, Christina Johnson, Amee Snyder, Amanda Tollefson, Fariha Ahmed. Row 4: Brian Beasley, sa Miller, Benjamin Thorpe. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



A member of the Clown Troupe works at the group's booth at the Eighth Grade Open House. Clown members performed anti-drug skits. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Newspaper staff members senior Ryan Fischer, juniors Kathy Echtenkamp, Traci Mogil and Stephanie DePorte and senior Jessica Chandler stuff inserts in the paper. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)



Beat sports editor senior Charlie Lessmann and Book editor Jeff Jorgensen edit copy stories. (photo by Cherie Connors)
Members of the Decathlon team study before the competition. (photo by Kim Jiede)



CHEERLEADERS
Front row: Kelly Kalin, Lindsay Kemnitz, Shana Novak, Megan Heim, Summer Brown, Jill Albers, Jessica Doty. Row 2: Katie Wolf, Heather O'Gara, Carin Rickes, Jaimie Olsen, Shawna Albers, Lindsay Plumber. Row 3: Dani Hruska, Emily Crimm, Nikki Hruska, Alicia Gibb, Christa Johnson, Trisha Deaver. (photo by Cherie Connors)



COLOR GUARD Front row: Genea Cunningham. Row 2: Devin Flint, Nick Arling. Row 3: Jeff Leanna, Phillip Smith, Carrie Marsden. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

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Whether on stage or on the field, students use their singing, dancing, and acting talents to entertain and build school spirit

READY TO TAKE THE STAGE FOR A SHOW



Varsity cheerleaders Vikki Sazama and Jodi Hendrikson raise school spirits at the football game. (photo by Cherie Connors.)

Your heart is pumping and your hands are shaking. It's time to put on a show. Members of many clubs and organizations performed for the school.

Members of the band and the cheerleaders worked hard to keep the crowds in the games.

"At my first game I was excited, and a little nervous," freshman Lindsay Votava said. "We didn't have our skirts yet, and we weren't very confident

with the cheers. After a few games though, cheering was lots of fun."

Pom Squad members performed at the half-time of every home game.

"I tried out for Pom because I love to dance," junior Debbie Givner said. "Performing at the games was the best part of being on the squad."

Besides the cheerleaders and Pom Squad members, many other students entertained as well. Members of Clowns acted out anti-drug messages.

Members of musical groups like Orchestra, Honors Choir, Ensemble, and Madrigals worked throughout the year to prepare songs for concerts and for graduation.

Concert Choir was exactly what its name said. Members sang numbers in shows with

an audience ranging from parents to all of Metro Omaha.

"Giving your best performance is really rewarding. That's the best part," choir member junior Carin Riekes said.

Additionally, some groups like Jazz Band and Ensemble performed in the community. At football and basketball games, members of the band kept the crowd on its feet.

"Starting with band camp and summer practice and ending with periodical 8th hour practices, my students work hard to put on a good show," director Murl Mickey said.

Up on stage, the drama club put on many plays such as "Flowers for Algernon." Club members helped with set building and ticket sales.

"We had a great group of people for this play which showed up on stage because we took this production really far," senior Andy Ruback said.

—Shana Novak



CON - ENS



CONCERT CHOIR *Front row:* Amy Duncan, Brian Gabb, Lawanda Stennis, Kerri Schaeffer, Aaron Smith, Emily Bartlett, Brad Smith, Jonie Pagel, Brian Nogg, Katie Fullmer, Trisha Uden. *Row 2:* Bridget McGuire, Carrie Sebeck, Beth Dye, James Bagwell, Leigh Wehner, James Friedlander, Angelic Green, Eric Coffman, Niki Grosse, Erin Horeis, Danny Cohn, Lisa Goodwin, Brian Biggs, Terri Keber, Steve Saylor, Heather Riddle, Emily Griebel, Jennifer Kelley. *Row 3:* Christina Mavis, Lisa Millard, Carin Riekes, Hayley Morinelli, Kerin Tate, Ronell Bonner, Julie Kinkennon, Bill Schoonover, Holly Smith, Mike Zaller, Kasey Brandt, Tim Belmont, Michelle France, Malinda Vaughn, Terrell Anderson, Katie Wolf, Lisa Linehan, Heather Koehler, Angela Williams. *Row 4:* Cora Travers, Jeff Nogg, Michelle Howe, Casandra Lindeman, Megan Nelson, Andy Ruback, Sarah Heikel, Eric Hochstein, Robyn Nisi, Victor Ebong, Jennifer McMahon, Julie Lund, Dan Anderson, Carey Guthmiller, Geoff Carlson, Dana Brooks, Lynn Vancy, Laura Speers, Ted Anderson. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



DECA *Front row:* Barb Gilpin, Brandi Moser, Mindy Flint, Christina Gatewood, Lasandra May, Sarah Friemuth, Tracey Midland, Laurie Brown, Susan Atwood. *Row 2:* Matt Haifley, Kira Astle, J. Anderson, Richard Jackson, Tim Volgelburg, Jake Dinan, Chad Hoffart, Chei-WeiWu, Jeff Beers, Pike, Janelle Cladinos, Alisha Coy, Julie Cooke. *Row 3:* Mark Schneiderwind, Melissa Leahy, Mindy ner, Jim Kennedy, Angie Burton, Joe Ingel, Ryan Olson, Cedric Welch, Pamar Alley, John Bergin, Kundra, Kara Stamm, Stacey Smith, Neeley McGregor, Jenny Luther, Stacey Brown, Michelle B. Merl Gier (sponsor). *Row 4:* Jason Smith, Jody Hough, Matt Byrne, Jason Anderson, Stacey Krete, Charla Shuter, Liljoy Davis, Brian Huggins, Geoffrey Stewart, Richard Davidson, Mike Marshnik, Batchelder, Matt Clure, Mike Croom, Tyrone Banks, Dave Childers, Timothy Larson, Eric Al. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

After finishing their performance, the Ensemble members bow to the audience. The group performed at many

school functions, including open house, and 8th grade visitor night. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Focusing on his pitch, Pat Styles performs at the Janet Reno assembly. The concert band practiced many hours a week to prepare themselves for every performance. (photo by Cherie Connors)

During Open House, the Jazz Band plays the blues. The jazz band played a variety of songs to keep the perspective students entertained. (photo by Cherie Connors)



STUDENT COUNCIL Front row: Missy Bradley, Amy Schaeppi, Christine Quirk, Noelle Sherrets, Emily ...
 Row 2: Jessie Moore, Sarah Smith, Lance Polikov, Frank Novotny, ...
 Row 3: Starla Stewart, Shaun Slifer, Brad Smith, Beth Katz, Emily Griebel, Beverly Baun, ...
 Row 4: Michele Howe, ...
 (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography.)



ENSEMBLE Front row: Heather Riddle. Row 2: Carey Guthmiller, Geoff Carlson. Row 3: Emily Bartlett, James Bagwell. Row 4: Sarah Heikel, Terri Keber, Brian Biggs, Danny Cohn. Row 5: Steve Saylor, Jimmy Friedlander, Michelle France, Jonie Pagel. Row 6: Julie Kinkennon, Eric Coffman, Kasey Brandt, Victor Ebong, Holly Smith, Bill Schoonover. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

CON - ENS

SERVICE

TO THOSE IN NEED

Having fun while working hard to help others in need, students complete hours of community service



While working on the Heron Haven project, SEA members Janice Haack and Fauzia Azimi take water samples. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

Community service was an important part of many clubs, whether it was required for membership or something students just chose to do to help others.

Members of National Honors Society and Student Government were required to complete community service hours to fulfill membership requirements.

NHS sponsor Susan Reiman-Garland said, "Community service is a large part of the National

Honors Society. I feel that the members should be willing to help others because they were given so much in life and have so much going for them. They should feel obligated to help those who aren't as lucky as they are."

"We collected cans for the Omaha Food Bank by grade level. The competition between the grade levels was a great way to get students to bring in cans and it was fun to compete against the other grades for the biggest can statue," Student Government member senior Terri Keber said.

For some clubs, the main goal was to help others in the community. The Clown Troupe was one club that was formed just to help others.

"The Clown Troupe goes through training to teach lessons on self-esteem, peer pressure,

and drugs. They travel to elementary schools to give presentations to children in grades K-4," sponsor Carol Nickerson said.

Many groups were not required to complete hours of community service, but chose to.

"We recycled cans from the school and worked on the Heron Haven project, which is a project to save the wetlands," Students for Environmental Awareness president senior Heather Koehler said.

The weightlifters also did their share of community service. They raised money for the Food Bank with their annual Lift-a-Thon.

"We raised over \$1000 with our lift-a-thon for the Presbyterian Food Bank and used the rest of the money for some new equipment for the weight room," senior Jeff Jorgensen said.

Whether the community service was mandatory or optional, students agreed that it was fun to help others.

—Kim Jiede



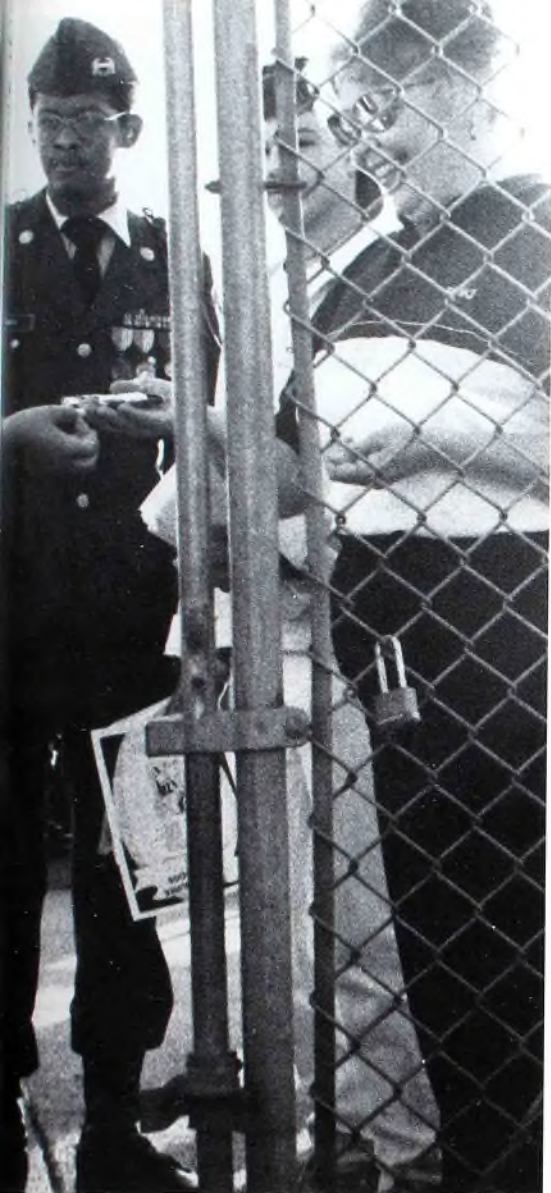
FBL - GEO



FBLA Front row: Alicia Scranton, Jim Cooke, Karen Beck, Ceritta Turner, Kit Morgan, Jessica Moore, unidentified, Kerin Tate, Stacey Hanselman. Row 2: Jeff Nicolaisen, Nikki Rezac, Christina Johnson, Jaime Ross, David Oxenford, Tammi Heinz, Annette Eden. Row 3: unidentified, Jon Eden, Jason Yoo, Ryan Plummer, Marc Luedtke, Laura Sides, James Rohrig, Tammy Cruz. Row 4: John Fitzekam, Steve Johnson, Theresa Miller, Brian Beasley, Travis Manners, Dan Horwich, Amy Isaacson, Amy Hildreth. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



FRENCH CLUB Front row: Kate McCullough, Amy Pemberton, David Kricsfeld, Jill Wehner, Sherrets. Row 2: Wyatt Tuell, Tameika Grayner, Sarah Smith, Leigh Wehner, Katie Wolf, Laura Sides, Dinan, Sara Jaros, Amy Schaeppi, Sabrina Redding, Emily Bartlett, Robbie Jo Haagenson, Chandra er. Row 3: Beth Katz, Pam Klith, Angie Horst, Anne Enenbach, Leah Abraham, Carrie Bizzarri, Flemmings, Andrea Kayser, Mike Kricsfeld, Shawna Albers, Lori Wies, Katie Fullmer, Beck, Michaela Golding, Matt Waller, Sean Scott. Row 4: Todd Brothers, Jessica Rittenhouse, Stephan mantis, Fauzia Azimi, Raegan Cornaci, Janice Haack, Kendra Maroney, Kendall Swenson, Heidi C. Cory Giesselman, Ryan Plummer, Matt Nelson, Frank Novotny, Janelle Fay, John Barry, Z. Franklin. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



During the football game, teacher Jackie Brink and ROTC member Philip Smith take a ticket from sophomore Tammy Cruz at the gate. (photo by Alison Gutnick)

While attending the Oak Valley Valentine party, NHS member junior Ben Titus dances with his new friend. NHS members spent much of their time completing hours of community service. (photo by Kim Jiede)



During the holiday food drive, Student Government members sophomore Jenny Knihal and freshmen Chris Swenson and Shelli Martin make statues out of their class's cans before school. (photo by Cherie Connors)



FRONT TEACHERS Front row: Emily Schmad, Niki Grosse, Kim Faiman, Jenny Kelley, Corie Schnabel, Nicolaisen. Row 2: Sarah Baker, Kit Morgan, Christine Quirk, Shirley Zimmerman, Kim Jiede, Amy Row 3: Karen Spencer-May (sponsor), Jenny Sandberg, Monica Tripp, Walter Willman, Michelle Leigh Wehner. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



GEOGRAPHY CLUB Front row: Troy Whitmarsh, Scott Antony, Bob Inness. Row 2: Phillip Novotny, Charles Novotny, Mike Hayes, Tim Winkelman. Row 3: Lee Johnson (sponsor), Josh Hillwick, Brian Rockwood, Frank Novotny, Jim Beglin (sponsor). (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

FBL - GEO

RAISING

MONEY FOR ACTIVITIES

Students get together to raise money for their clubs' activities, supplies and scholarships by selling concessions, food, ads and shirts



Sophomores Jill Krelle and Beth Davidson take a time out from working at the boutique to enjoy some of the food themselves. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Many students, helping their clubs, spent time raising money for special activities, scholarships or supplies.

"We all sold mugs and candy this year in order to raise money for our uniforms," Varsity Spirit cheerleader sophomore Jill Krelle said. "It brought the squad together and helped all of us to work toward something we could use."

Fundraising and concessions also brought

friends together. "For the basketball season, the Spanish Club helped at the concession stands. It was fun to talk to people and it was a good chance to see everyone outside of school," junior Shana Novak said.

Lots of students got involved in helping their group increase its treasury.

"We helped at the concessions for our debate team during the football season," senior Contessa Kellogg said. "It was a good way to show our appreciation for our own club and the school."

Many of the clubs got to do things they wouldn't have done otherwise if they couldn't raise money through their fundraising activities.

"I served concessions at one of the basketball games," sophomore Abby Rogers said. "I had a really good time because I was working with the people I was

friends with. The best thing out of the whole experience was meeting new people from different schools."

Baseball players raised money for the renovation of the field by selling sweatshirts, mugs, hats and jerseys. They also collected used sporting equipment to sell to a local sporting goods company.

To raise money for the weightroom, members of Boys O'Club sold Pleasure Packs.

"My brother and I worked together to sell Pleasure Packs," senior Steve Saylor said. "It was a good chance for David and I to bond."

Members of both the Yearbook and the Newspaper staffs sold ads to raise money for their publications.

"At first, I thought it would be hard to sell ads," Book staff member Pat Woodman said. "But it turned out that there were a lot of seniors that wanted an ad."

—Susan Bokelman



GER - INS



GERMAN CLUB Front row: Heather Wickes, Cynthia Deaver, Crystal Jelken, Lisa Jensen, Heather Treat, Jessica Chandler, Shannon Holm, Angie Tidmore, Kelly O'Donnell, Dana Shane, Terri Keber, Angie Neal, Jenny Seip, Tara O'Dowd, Cherie Albers, Jonie Pagel, Julie Linehan, Jodi Lerner, Judy Kerkoff. Row 2: Connie Banks (sponsor), Amie Coy, Katie Argersinger, Lora Peterson, Emily Olesen, Jill Krelle, Shannon Scott, Merel Vanhoeve, Caroline Sieka, Allison Lidolph, Katie Burke, Megan Mulligan, Alyssa Wedemeyer, Alicia Coy, Jason Livermore, Brent Geissinger, Matt Pelowski, Nick Arling, Khader Abounasr, Ryan Samuels. Row 3: Makayla Monico, Stacy Domanish, Kristin Holmes, Amanda Baeder, Misty Christy, Stacy Kretchmer, Eric Krelle, Michaela Hargens, Jennifer Sterken, Kern Tate, Danny Horwich, Brian Gabb, Jacque Stevens, Kim Baxter, Kristine Komrofske, Lorie Roebuck, Robyn Nisi, Travis Flodine, Andy Bassett, Nick Spath. Row 4: Emily Crim, Krista Roffman, Matt Belmont, Tim Belmont, Danny Benda, P.J. Sykes, Aaron Smith, Richard Davidson, Joel Carlberg, Bob Sullivan, Jeff Wemhoff, Brett Flodine, Chris Monico, Keri Eberhardt, Tricia Deaver, Justin Melkus, Kristin Haas, unidentified, unidentified, Christina Cauden, Andrew Beckenhauer, John Shuminski. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



GIRLS O CLUB Front row: Lindsey Plummer, Jessica Chandler, Niki Grosse, Amy Schaeppi, Laura Sara Jaros, Sarah Fredstrom, Kristin Jenkins, Christy Urosevich, Meredith Witt. Row 2: non-member Caeli Morford, Naomi Underwood, Lisa Coren, Keri Eberhardt, Allison Lidolph, Mary Healey, Jodi Erickson, Megan Heim, Susan Blach, Dana Shane, Jill Worley. Row 3: Becky Rubin, Marie Wine, Katie Burke, Joan Daughton, Kristin Whittman, Tracy Tompkins, Carrie Bizzari, Katie McGowan, tine Johnson, Jenny Bonge, Valerie Cook. Row 4: Kelli Melia, Stephanie Tidmore, Mary Becker, Lora son, Stacey Hanselman, Alyssa Wedemeyer, Angie Urosevich, Shannon Robson, Robbie Jo Haag, Lindsey Daubman, Lindsey Dillman, Jenny Rowedder, Angie Tidmore, Jenny Gillespie, Amy Isa. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



Concessions kept students busy during the basketball season as people came in for pop and snacks. (photo by Kim Jiede)



Senior Jaime Zuhlke lead the eighth grade pom clinic at one of the football games. (photo by Cherie Connors)
Working concession stands kept students warmer as the football season got colder. (photo by Cherie Connors)



CHOIR Front row: Brandy Bloomquist, Tameika Grayer, Yvonne Winbush, Bret Katelman, LaSoby, Kelly Kalin, Joyneeda Stevenson. Row 2: Angela Reimers, Gwen Jackson, Lindsey Schmidt, Fears, Funita McDonald, Russa Smith, Juan Warren, Jason Reinders. Row 3: Tabitha Davis, Kristi Gerger, Lynn Larson, Kristin Holmes, Terrill Smith, Faranita Dunbar, Jennifer Davis, Bradley Hen-Justin Riddle. Row 4: Artilene Wilson, Willietta Williams, Yanata Baker, Emily Crim, Carliss Xavier Goodes, Stephanie Diamantis, Jamie Sing, Spencer Danner, Melanie Bartlett. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



INSPIRATIONAL CHOIR Front row: LaWanda Stennis, DeeDee Dodendorf, Stacey Leonard, Bret Katelman, Kate McCullough, Amy Pemberton. Row 2: unidentified, Keley Bibins, Missy Bradley, Theresa Miller, Jennifer Davis, Faranita Dunbar, Kristin Haas. Row 3: Michelle Howe, Ronell Bonner, Terry Danner, Dan Anderson, Liljoy Davis, unidentified. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

GER - INS

USING

SUMMER TO PREPARE

Often, traveling by bus and spending long hours in the sun, many groups spent time during the summer at camp to learn new skills and have fun



The Pom Squad and the JV and Varsity cheerleaders count the minutes until their arrival at camp in Okoboji. (photo by Shannon Holm)

While most students looked forward to the school year being over, others used their summer vacation to get ready for the next school year. Many groups found that camp was a great place to pick up new ideas for the upcoming year.

Student Government members attended an NASC camp at Wayne State College. The camp taught students how to be better leaders for their school, but many brought back much more than

that.

"I learned how to be a better leader," sophomore Jenny Knihal said, "but, I learned so much more about myself and other people. The week of NASC made a huge impact on my life that I'll never forget."

Other groups didn't have such a great time at camp, but everything turned out well in the end. The JV and Varsity cheerleaders and the

Pom Squad went to summer camp in Okoboji.

"It was really hot and everyone got sunburned," Varsity captain senior Shannon Holm said, "but we got to go swimming and boating during our breaks."

Senior Flag Member Kate McCullough said, "We had our disagreements, but we rose above our differences to become a great squad with an excellent routine."

The Band attended camp at Peru State College and had to overcome

sweltering heat each day. But, most members agreed that the experience was worthwhile even though it was so hot.

"Band camp was three days of heat, work, and sweat. I wouldn't change a thing for the world. It's the greatest experience one could ever have," senior Band member Alicia Scanton said.

Other students went to camp even though it wasn't required. Yearbook and Newspaper staffs were two groups who could attend camp if they wanted to.

Yearbook staff member Abby Rogers said, "We had three classes a day and did different things related to making a yearbook like developing themes and drawing layouts. It was fun even though I was the only Yearbook member from Burke."

No matter why they went or what they did there, all students agreed that camps were a necessity for learning and for fun.

—Kim Jiede

INT - LAT



INTERNATIONAL CLUB Front row: Merel Van Hoeve, Stacie Leonard, DeeDee Dodendorf, Akiko Yamazaki, Zebada Hunter. Row 2: Micaela Golding, Lucy Etus, Fariha Ahmed, Caroline Sieka, Debra Everett. Row 3: Loma Howard(sponsor), Andrea Kayser, Daniel Tobias, Laura Nicolaisen, Summer Brown, Holly Willert(sponsor). (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



JETS Front row: Brian Maschka, Angie Flemming, Bobby Shapiro, Lisa Jensen, Falisha Anders, Schaeppi, Noelle Sherrets. Row 2: Yemi Smith, Ceritta Turner, Dave Oxenford, Makayla Macin, Gray, Heather Treat, Jeana Seitzinger. Row 3: David Kricsfield, Steve Saylor, Aaron Smith, Greg N. Eric Givner, Katie Fullmer, Michelle Cooper (sponsor). Row 4: Jason Itkin, Shawn Philips, Sam Wol, Jason Banks, Stacy Domnanish, Lori Wies, Craig Redinger. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photogr)



While attending a weekend retreat, ROTC members test their skills by repelling down a wall. The ROTC members spent many weekends perfecting their old skills or learning new ones. (photo courtesy of Burke JROTC)

Members of the Varsity cheerleading squad end their routine during the competition at camp. The squad was recognized as one of the top squads by the camp instructors in Okoboji. (photo courtesy of Shannon Holm)



Members of the Flag Corps practice their routine for the football half-time show. The Flag Corps attended camp at Peru State during the summer to perfect their routines. (photo by Cherie Connors)



ROTC Front Row: Kate McCullough. Row 2: Rebecca Kubart, Alicia Scranton. Row 3: Carrie Marsden, Harrell. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



LATIN CLUB Front row: Mary Roeser (sponsor), Susan Bokelman, Tom Bizarri, Lisa Coren, Tessa Kellogg, Latreasha Williams. Row 2: J.T. Savoie, Pat Meisinger, Amy Teshack, Jennifer Gillespie, Jeff Anderson. Row 3: Effie Winkelmann, Faisal Ahmed, Dan Underwood, Nate Vesely, Kim Brothers, Sydney Graham. Row 4: Chih-Ying Wu, James Bayer, Rob Hughes, Kevin Weale, David Westfall, Tyrone Lee, Zach Graham. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

INT-LAT

ALWAYS

HAVE FUN TOGETHER

Members hips give students a chance to have fun, join in, get away and get together without the pressures of school



Clown members show school spirit during the Homecoming Parade, despite the cold weather and drizzle. (photo by Ann Manchester)

What was a good way to get in the fun of high school? Clubs! They were over 50 groups waiting for new members to get involved.

Clubs weren't just something to make a college application look good. Clubs could provide something fun to do outside of school.

"Clubs give us some free time. They give kids a chance to have fun together away from school," senior Ralph Haag said.

Students involved in Aviation Club got a chance to take to the skies.

"The Aviation Club makes trips around Omaha, and we look at planes and other aviation equipment. We went to Millard Airport and looked at a twin engine.

We are organizing a trip to Eppley Airport to see their weather radar and control towers," said sponsor Robert Todd.

Clubs gave members a chance to be themselves and to get away from the pressures of school.

Ralph Haag said, "If I was to do bad on a math test or something I could just take my mind off of the test by going after school with the Bowling Club. There's no competition and it's an easy way for relaxation."

Students who liked to write could join Creative Writing Club.

"I joined because it

brings some of the most creative people in school together," senior Sari Gilinsky said. "It's really nice to be with people who are on the same wave length as you are."

Even groups geared toward competition or performances provided members with some relaxing moments. For example, Quill and Scroll members held their annual Stu Pospisil Golf Tourney at Eagle Run and Decathlon members had study sessions.

"I had a blast golfing," senior Shannon Holm, *Beat* feature reporter said. "Even though I wasn't very good, it was fun getting together with the other staff members."

Members of the Pom squad and cheerleaders often held dinners before games.

"The dinners were a chance for everyone to get together," senior cheerleader Christine Quirk said. "They were a chance for all of us to get to know everyone, not just those on our own squad."

Burkettes and cheerleaders the school excited for Homecoming. (photo by Court Johnson)

Girls O'Club members enjoying time a team. (photo by Sue Rosenthal)



MAD - MEN



MADRIGALS Front row: Heather Riddle, Bret Katelman, Hayley Morinelli. Row 2: Jason Reinders, Emily Griebel, Andi Gutnik. Row 3: Chris Swenson, Julie Kinkennon, Justin Riddle, Melanie Bartlett. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



MATH CLUB Front row: Tara O'Dowd, Amy Gunn, Bobby Shapiro, Brian Jorde, Candy Gray, Keber, Sara Jaros, Jeana Seitzinger, Jason Itkin. Row 2: Joni Percival, Ralph Haag, Jeff Connor, Luedtke, Lisa Coren, Eric Givner. Row 3: Scott Antony, Nick Stark, T.J. Farmer, James Friedlander, Kricsfield, David Kulakofsky, Jamie Rohrig, Kevin German, Matt Nabity. Row 4: Dave Stodola (spo), Karalee Ziemba, Jon Eden, Matt Schaffer, Mark Wright, Jamie Epstein, Laura Schafer, Joe Engel. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



Academic Decathlon members junior Jeff Connor and senior Jason Itkin take a break between competitions to eat. (photo by Ann Grill)

Quill & Scroll members junior Traci Mogil, senior Susie Shackman, junior Stephaine DePorte and senior Sari Gilinsky find a little bit of relaxation helpful before their next T-off. (photo by Mark Ward)



MAD - MEN
Front row: Daniel Underwood, Jaime Ross, Alicia Scranton, Ceritta Turner, Shauntal Holmes, La Hunter, LaTresha Williams. **Row 2:** Erick Soby, Tanisha Elem, Candy Gray, Makayla Maclin, Bibins, Dametra Stevenson. **Row 3:** Brian Fonseca, Angela Scranton, Tonisha Thorpe, Falisha, Jimmy Goltl, Natalie Nichols, Keshia Loftin. **Row 4:** Erin Elliott, Victor Ebong, Kendra Maroney, Fleming, Cedric Welsh, Ben Ebong, Donald Looney, Yemi Smith. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



MENS O CLUB **Front row:** Chad Hoffart, Mark Nielsen, Dave Oxenford, Tor Harvey, Brian Maschka, Zach Weiss, Marc Luedtke, Aaron Wills, John Underwood. **Row 2:** Adam Lundgren, Paul Kosel, Zach McDermott, Mike Jung, Steve Saylor, Jeff Jorgensen, John Wood, Terrance Hill, Jimmy Goltl, Kendall Swenson. **Row 3:** unidentified, Brian Gabb, Travis Clark, Eric Coffman, Matt Clure, Matt Benson, Scott Newland, Aaron Nielsen, Tim Kostronic, Jim Kennedy, Nate Vesely. **Row 4:** Eddie Lund, Bob Sullivan, Brian Jorde, Jason Itkin, Travis Manners, Cory Mann, Cory Giesselman, Luke Edmundson, Ben Ebong, Jason Schmitz, Damione Moore, Dave Westfall, Jason Banks. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

Applications, interviews, scholarship and community service determine membership lists of some elite groups

SPECIAL

QUALITIES

REQUIRED



While working hard to finish on time, Newspaper staff member junior Matt Nabity stuffs inserts in the paper. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Whether you had to take a written test or mail in an application, if you were one of the chosen for membership in one of the many clubs that required more than attendance, you knew ahead of time what kind of a commitment you were making. Many students were selected for or elected to clubs such as Positive Peer Culture, Future Probe, National Honor Society, and Student Government.

"I was hoping I'd be picked for the yearbook staff because I knew it would be lots of fun, and I liked all the people applying with me," sophomore Jon Broder said.

Some organizations aware run on an election only basis.

"I had fun campaigning for Student Government. I was nervous wondering if I would make it or not, but I'm glad the junior class wanted me to represent them," junior Becky Perlman said.

Burke Ambassadors was another club you didn't just join, you had to be picked.

"We look for juniors and seniors who are fun, outgoing, dedicated and kind," counselor Cherry Witham said. "Also, if they've been through a new school experience themselves, it helps."

Ambassadors primary responsibility was

showing new students what Burke was all about.

The results of a test were just one of the selection guidelines used to determine who would be invited to join Academic Decathlon. The primary goal of the group was to prepare for district, state, and regional decathlon competition.

"There are actually cool people in Academic Decathlon," senior Jason Itkin said. "There's a lot of my friends and also lots of work along with the class. The competition is great."

Students who had hopes of being on publications staffs, needed to fill out a complete application the preceding year.

"When the paper is done and looks great, it's so rewarding," senior Susie Shackman said. "Being the managing editor of the newspaper staff also taught me a lot about responsibility."

—Shana Novak

Senior Senate members Celine Welch, Ben Ebong, and Kristina Jenkins check out the system before the Homecoming Pep Rally. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Quill & Scroll members junior Kathy Echtenkamp and Lacey Setlak work with 6th grade from Columbian School lead writing. (photo by Cherie Connors)



MOC - ORI



MOCK TRIAL Front row: Bobby Shapiro, Kim Faiman, Terri Keber, Sara Jaros, Brian Jorde, Jason Itkin, David Kricsfield, Allison Gutnik, Anna Basso, Laurie Epstein, Amy Schaeppi, Candy Gray, Chris Swenson, Nicole Violet. Row 2: April Lorsch, Angela Williams, Lisa Goodwin, Kerry Schmidt, Lisa Jensen, Abby Rogers, Jenny Roweder, Makayla Maclin, Sarah Baker, Jill Harrington, Michaela Golding, Mike Kricsfield, Lance Polikov, Cory Itkin, Tammy Cruz, Kris Aldinger. Row 3: Beth Davidson, Amy Isaacson, Kerry Tulson, Stephanie DePorte, Angie Neal, Tracy Mogil, Debbie Givner, Kendra Maroney, Angie Flemmings, Jaime Ross, James Bayer, Zach Hill, Nikki Rezac, Pam Klith, Jessica Rieck, Jay Bently. Row 4: Dave Haar (sponsor), Kim Jiede, Jeff Connor, Karalee Ziemba, Brian Biggs, Yemi Smith, Kent Cisar, unidentified, Julie Lineham, Laura Schaffer, Ted Anderson, Megan Heim, Jeff Wemhoff, Bill Schoover, Jon Broder, Scott Fortcamp, Jason Epstein, Sam Woleben. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY Front row: Bill Schoonover, Kristin Jenkins, George Lessmann, O'Donnell, Terri Keber, David Kricsfield, Noelle Sherrets, Jenny Bonge, Kevin Saylan, Janice Haack, Cherie Albers, Shawna Albers, Katie Burke, Tina Cruz, Yemi Smith, Carin Riekens, David Kulakofsky, Horst, Bobby Shapiro, Laura Nicolaisen, Heather Olesh, Lisa Coren, Amy Schaeppi, Laura Sides, Kim Shannon Holm, Dana Shane, Edweena Wade, Heather Treat, Jamie Endelman, Meredith Witt, Nikki Traci Mogil, Sarah Fredstrom, Sara Jaros, Aaron Smith. Row 3: Barb Gilpin, Katie Wolf, Stephanie D Megan Heim, Joan Daughton, Heather O'Gara, Amy Pemberton, Michelle France, Kim Jiede, Jonie Heidi O'Gara, David Oxenford, Matt Wiebe, Zach Graham, Jason Itkin, Ryan Fischer, Eric Givner, Eric Angie Neal, Brian Gabb, Sam Nanfite, Ricky Murillo, Jamie Epstein, Makayla Maclin, Steve Johnson, Bridget McGuire, Jana Becker, Karalee Ziemba, Michelle Rubin, Summer Brown, Keri Eberhardt, Wittman, Jeff Jorgensen, Brad Schaeppi, Jay Thilgen, Matt Nabity, Aaron Wills, Ben Cipperly, Eddi Sam Woleben, Craig Redinger, Jason Banks, Mike Zaller, Jeff Wemhoff, James Bayer, Zach Hill, Badakhsh, Jeff Connors, Kendall Swenson. Row 5: Maybelle Galusha (sponsor), Mary Buttell (sponsor), Reiman-Garland (sponsor). (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



While working on the NHS carnation fundraiser, senior Kristin Jenkins sorts flowers by homeroom floor. NHS members spent a lot of their time helping the school and community. (photo by Abby Rogers)



PAPER (BURKE BEAT) Front row: Mary Healey, Julie Cooke, Traci Mogil, Joan Daughton, Megan Stephanie DePorte, Susie Shackman, Kelly O'Donnell. Row 2: Lisa Coren, Amy Gunn, Deb Ward, Angie Vampola, Debbie Givner, Leah Abraham, Cari Perlmeter. Row 3: Ann Silverman, Laura Kathy Echtenkamp, Paul Ericksen, Ryan Fischer, Jeff Randall, Sari Gilinsky, Christine Wormley, Shannon Holm, Jessica Chandler, Matt Nabity, Jill Ruben, Ben Cichowski, Jeff Connor, Dave Anks, Kira Astle. Not pictured: Mark Arant, Cherie Connors, Laurie Epstein, Scott Fortkamp, Joni Tracy Washburn. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



ORIENTEERING TEAM Front row: Keley Bibins, Bettina Bush, Sabrina Moody. Row 2: Brian Harrell, Devin Flint, Rickey Butler. Row 3: Jeff Leanna, Patrick Collins, Phillip Smith, Carrie Marsden. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

MOC - ORI

TO WIN

IS ONLY HALF THE FUN

Debating, dancing, firing, studying, cheering, and arguing were all ways that students participated in competitions throughout the year



Studying for the State Academic Decathlon competition, juniors Ricky Murillo and Becky Perlman spend their Friday night in the library. (photo by Kim Jiede)

Many groups participated in competitions throughout the year. The competitions varied from group to group, but a common element of all was hard work.

Many students participated in Mock Trial, one of the most popular competitions. Teams of students prepared both sides of the fictional case "Kris Moss vs. The Metro City School District." Team members spent long hours working on their arguments and then competed against teams from other schools. One team

from Burke made it to the finals of the competition.

Team member David Kricsfeld said, "Our Mock Trial team worked very hard this year, and we advanced to the finals. Our efforts and dedication really paid off in the end."

Academic Decathlon was another group that spent long hours prepar-

ing for their competition. Members worked during fifth hour daily and attended study

groups in their free time. The groups' efforts paid off at the Regional competition where they qualified for State. At State, the team placed fifth overall and won third place in the Super Quiz.

Medal winners included: Jeff Connor, silver medal-essay and Bronze medal-interview; David Kricsfield, silver medal-interview; Brian Jorde, gold medal-interview; Karalee Ziemba, gold medal-economics, gold medal-essay, and bronze medal-speech; Faisal Ahmed, gold medal-economics, silver medal-sci-

ence; and Chad McCrillis, gold medal-essay. The team also received medals in the alternate competition. Alternate winners included: Jason Itkin, silver medal-social sciences; Joni Percival, silver medal-language and fine Arts; Ben Ebong, silver medal-language and fine Arts, silver medal-social sciences.

Itkin said, "We were all proud of our efforts at the State Competition."

Many groups participated in competitions, but didn't place quite as well as they would have liked.

The cheerleaders and the pom squad competed in Spirit Spectacular, a competition for squads from all over the city. All of the squads performed well and placed high in their divisions. The Freshmen squad won third place in their division.

Freshmen cheerleaders Lindsay Votava and Jessie Morgan said, "We practiced for about two hours a day with our choreographer, so when we won we were really excited because all our hard work had paid off. It was a lot of fun to compete against some of the top squads and win."

—Kim Jiede



POM - RIF

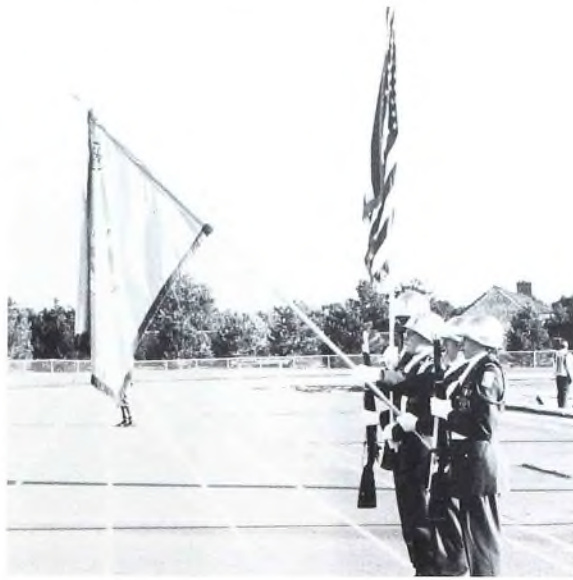


POM SQUAD Front row: Falisha Anders, Katie Burke, Jenny Bonge, Kira Astle, Julie Cooke, Jaime Zuhlike. Row 2: Kristin Wittman, Meredith Witt, Noelle Sherrets, Heather Olesh, non-member, Christine Mora. Row 3: Cari Perimeter, Becky Cerveny, Nicole Wittrock, Carla Mackie, Barb Gilpin, Sabrina Redding, Heather Riddle, Debbie Givner. Row 4: Kelly O'Donnell, Tanya Reyes, Jenny Kelley, Courtney Johnson, Christy Urosevich. (photo courtesy of Arnold Clark Photography)



PRINCIPAL STUDENT ADVISORY Front row: Jessica Cathcart, Cari Perimeter, Christy Urosevich, Heather Olesh, Jamie Ross, Ceritta Turner, Karen Burmood (sponsor). Row 2: Tate Meyer, Shelli Urosevich, Lindsay Votava, Jenny Knihal, Yemi Smith. Row 3: Karalee Ziemba, Mike Sortino, Anna Gray, Matt Golding, Ryan Olson, Becky Bell. Row 4: Erin Elliot, Jon Eden, Ben Ebong, Sam Woleben, Donald L. Terrell Anderson. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

Preparing for the next competition, junior Chris Esterbrooks practices his tuba. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Before the football game, the Color Guard presents the flag. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Competing in Spirit Spectacular, Varsity cheerleaders Kim Jiede, Kristin Jenkins, Kim Faiman, Laura Sides, and Lisa Millard prepare to start their cheer. (photo by Shana Novak)



POM & SCROLL Front row: Kim Jiede, Christine Quirk, Jenny Jorgensen, Courtney Johnson, Jeff Jorin, Cari Perimeter, Laura Sides, Kristin Jenkins, Jill Wehner, Shana Novak. Row 2: Jenny Knihal, Julie E, Carla Mackie, Amy Gunn, Debbie Givner, Steve Saylor, Alison Horbach, Kara Stamm, Mary, Sarah Baker. Row 3: Stephanie DePorte, Traci Mogil, Laurie Brown, Leah Abraham, Brad Schaepply, Mike Jung, Shannon Holm, Jessica Chandler, Allison Lidolph. Row 4: Jon Broder, Fischer, Matt Nabity, Jeff Connor, Lisa Coren, Allison Gutnik, Susie Shackman, Sari Gilinsky, Jill ngton, Abby Rogers, Jeff Randall. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



RIFLE TEAM Front row: Jason Beacom, Carrie Marsden. Row 2: Jason Callaway, Jerry Foster, Akiko Yamazaki. Row 3: Jeff Leanna, Richard Smith, Michael Dworak, Joshua Hillwick. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

POM - RIF

LESSONS

Co-curricular activities blend knowledge, hard work, friendships, fun and competition

HELP YOU GROW



Along with SEA members, senior Kendall Swenson collects water samples while working on the Heron Haven project. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

Academic Hallmarks, Future Business Leaders if America, Geography Club, Debate, Math Club. Sounds like a lot of work, huh? Guess again! Many clubs incorporated learning and fun into one.

"I've got the best job in school!" Academic Decathlon coach Ann Grill said. "We have so much fun winning, and it's a blast." Academic Decathlon members worked hard to win their competitions.

To prepare for their competitions, members worked in study groups, attended Friday night work sessions, and studied during class.

"Studying on Friday nights wasn't always the greatest but it paid off the next day when we beat all our competi-

tion!" senior Decathlon member David Kricsfeld said.

Another group whose aim was winning

was Mock Trial. Students involved in Mock Trial worked in teams to prepare all sides of the fictional case "Chris Moss vs. Metro City School District". The case involved a student who was functionally illiterate and was blaming the school for her lack of skills. Team members met after school and on weekends to research and rehearse their roles.

"We put a lot time into our case and it showed up when we gave one of

the best teams in Omaha a real run for their money in the finals." Mock Trial team member Terri Keber said.

Language clubs were another area students seemed to like. The combination of fun and a foreign language attracted students like a magnet.

"It's fun to get together with other German students. We all have something in common," senior Kelly O'Donnell said.

Besides German Club, students could also join Latin Club, Spanish Club, or French Club.

"We take field trips to places like the French Cafe and have so much fun!" junior Jimmy Friedlander said.

Field trips were a big part of JETS too.

"We do everything from chemistry experiments for kids to touring medical labs," senior Bobby Shapiro said. The club met on alternate Wednesdays after school.

—Shana Novak



SAB-SPA



SABER TEAM: Front row: Jerry Foster, Brian Harrel. Row 2: Jason Callaway, Devin Flint, Nick Arling. Row 3: Jeff Leanna, Phillip Smith, Carrie Marsden, Genaea Cunningham. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



SEA Front row: Kerry Tulson, Sarah Kirke, Julie Abrahamson, Jamie Simanuci, Fauzia Azimi, Amy S. bauer, Heather Koehler. Row 2: Matt Belmont, Tanisha Shepard, Julie Linehan, unidentified, unidentified, unidentified, Janice Haack. Row 3: Jon Broder, Emily Griebel, Michael Kricsfeld, Cichowski, Cory Mann, Dave Hughbanks, Jeff Randall, Nicole Burgett. Row 4: Jeff Connor, Jason S. Jonie Pagel, Beth Katz, Nick Wong, Nick Randall, Ron Vleck, Brooks Hitt. (photo by Rick Billings Photography)



While attending a weekend retreat, ROTC members test their skills on the wall climb. (photo courtesy of Burke ROTC)



During a study session, Academic Decathlon members take a break from studying. (photo by Kim Jiede)

Spanish Club president senior Ralph Haag decorates the club's float for the Homecoming parade. (photo by Matt Nability)



Senior Senate: Front row: Kristin Jenkins, David Kriesfeld. Row 2: Chad Hoffart, David Oxenford, Ben Welch, Cedric Welch. Row 3: Karalee Ziemba, Heidi O'Gara, Jeff Jorgenson, Jenny Bonge, Kevin Saylan, Matt Gray. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



Spanish Club: Front Row: Al Totilas sponsor, Tina Cruz, Carin Riekes, Shana Novak, Nikki Cohn, Jamie Epstein. Row 2: Sam Nanfity, Ralph Haag, Laura Setlak, Heather Olesh, Charlie Liquori, Kathy Echtenkamp. Row 3: Greg Norris, Shirley Zimmerman, Jeff Shapiro. (photo by Matt Nability) Not pictured: Dave Oxenford, Kim Faiman.

SAB-SPA

GROUPS

BUILDING TOGETHER

Working together on a common cause, whether learning a new routine or raising money, builds a sense of unity



At the Quill and Scroll /Stu Pospisil Golf Tournament, junior Matt Nabity, senior Ryan Fischer, junior Ricky Murrillo and junior Jeff Connor prepare to Tee off. (photo by Mark Ward)

What could clubs do for you? For many students, club activities were a place to hang out with old friends and a way to meet new people, too.

"One thing about being on Pom— you learn that a lot can be done under a little time together," junior Pom Squad member Kristin Wittmann said. "You learn the most about each other under the most stressful mo-

ments." Students from different groups worked together to do things for each other and for other people. For example, Student Government members organized a can drive and helped recruit donors for the blood drive.

"Student Government allows people from different groups to come together to make decisions affecting the school," junior Katie Wolf said. "We also do things for the community."

Clubs helped students bond together and helped students get involved.

"Since I was new to Burke this year," junior Tracy Washburn said, "it was kind of hard to make friends at first. Being involved in Future Business Leaders of America was great for meeting people. I'm really excited about going to

the state FBLA convention. I'm sure I'll meet a lot of neat people there."

I like belonging to Spanish Club, Students for Environmental Awareness, Newspaper, Jazz Band, and Creative Writing Club because the groups do things that are fun," senior Dave Hughbanks explained.

Freshman Jessie Morgan agreed. "Being involved in FBLA and cheerleading helped me meet a lot of new people when school started. It made school fun."

Many events, like Homecoming, the International Dinner and Eighth Grade Orientation involved members of many clubs.

"The International Dinner brought our club, Latin Club, and other clubs all to one place, together, working for a common cause," freshman Kim Brothers commented. "We all had a really fun night."

Get involved in the clubs and become acquainted with people from all around.

—Susan Bokelmann



SPE - YEA



SPEECH & DEBATE Front row: Karen Beck, Megan Miller, Keley Bibins, Don Gilpin, Tricia Williams. Row 2: Devin McMahon, Christy Clark, Contessa Kellogg, Teresa Seina, Jason Itkin, David Kricsfeld. Row 3: Jack Fu, Ann Waugh, Laura Schafer, Brian Jorde, Katie Cascio, Nolan Gaskill, Ken Brueggemann (sponsor). (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



STUDENT GOVERNMENT Front row: Katie Wolf, Gina Guerrero, Jenny Knihal, Sabrina Reyes, Courtney Johnson, Kristin Jenkins, Christy Urosevich, Terri Keber, Jill Wehner. Row 2: Becky Perry, Angela Batchelder, Shelli Martin, Allison Gutnik, Leigh Wehner, Shannon Robson, Sarah Freedman, Brad Reynolds, M.J. Kratina, Chris Swenson. Row 3: Meredith Witt, Mike Sortino, Jimmy Friedman, Cari Perlmeter, Carin Riekens, Yemi Smith, Ted Anderson, Joan Daughton, Anna Basso, Jon Broderick, Kay Votava. Row 4: John Knickman (sponsor), Matt Benson, Ben Ebong, Jon Eden, Luke Edmundson, Jorgensen, Cedric Welch, Mike Croom, Mark Nielsen, Kyle Mann, Adam Lundgren. Not pictured: Harms, Kevin Saylan, J.B. Bell. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



Beat staff members junior Kathy Echtenkamp, seniors Ryan Fischer, senior Charlie Lessmann, and Jessica Chandler, and junior Tracy Mogil prepare the mailing of a special edition of the school paper. (photo by Cherie Connors)



At the Watermelon Feed, Varsity Spirit Cheerleaders sophomores Lisa Goodwin and Dana Votava try to get the football players involved in a cheer. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)

Freshmen, sporting a '50s theme, prepare for the Homecoming Parade. The Freshman float was voted the best decorated float. (photo by Matt Nabity)



STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER FACILITATORS Front row: Megan Heim, Shirley Zimmerman, Kelly Annell, Emily Schmad. Row 2: Lisa Coren, Michelle Rubin, Traci Mogil, Amy Pemberton, Dave Oxen-Dave Kulakofsky. Row 3: Brooks Hitt, Angie Horst, Brian Jorde, Fauzia Azimi, Janice Haack, Craig Jinger, Ralph Haag. Row 4: Julie Kinkennon, Karalee Ziemba, Ben Ebong, Jon Eden, Bryan Rockwood, Vogelsberg, Dan Polley, Brandon Neary. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)



YEARBOOK STAFF (Burke Book) Front row: Allison Lidolph, Jenny Knihal, Carla Mackie, Laura Sides, Courtney Johnson, Jill Wehner, Allison Horbach, Nikki Cohn, Shana Novak. Row 2: Cherie Connors, Susan Bokelmann, Kristin Jenkins, Susan Dahlquist, Christine Quirk, Kim Jede, Kara Stamm, Laurie Brown. Row 3: Jenny Jorgensen, Deb Ward (sponsor), Allison Gutnik, Mike Jung, Abby Rogers, Jill Harrington, Sarah Baker, Jeff Jorgensen. Row 4: Jon Broder, Brad Schaeppi, Steve Saylor, Pat Woodman, Jeff Leanna. (photo courtesy of Rick Billings Photography)

SPE - YEA

Searching for the best bargain, sophomore Sarah Baker checks out the new line of purses at Westroads. (photo by Cherie Connors)




Sampling different candies at Mr. Bulky, senior Jaime Zuhlke and her brother grab some Skittles. (photo by Cherie Connors)



Spending free time in search of the perfect Homecoming dress, senior Jody Hough compares prices. (photo by Cherie Connors)





money

MATTERS

Some of us had it, others needed it. Most of us worked hard for it but quickly spent it. It seemed as if the events of every weekend revolved around one simple thing, money.

Money mattered as minimum wage just didn't cut it. We had to fork out cash for car insurance, gas, snacks, and school supplies. Not to mention movies, clothes, and an occasional date. Every night of fun left your wallet dry as a bone, and sent you crawling toward your parents begging for some change.

With a restricted budget, we searched long and hard for bargains, and sales. We frequented the 1/2 Price store and Best Buy hunting for the lowest possible prices, and we learned to enjoy the fine cuisine of Hot-'N-Now, home of the world's cheapest hamburger.

For those who didn't have a time-consuming job, sitting at home watching General Hospital, or Home Improvement became a favorite pastime. We occasionally left the comfortable surroundings of our home to shop and ended up spending our last dollar on a Nebraska lottery ticket hoping to win the jackpot.

There were the times when we just had to have the new Doc Martins, or the tickets to the Pearl Jam concert. We reached for the cash box, but came up just short, and resorted to mooching off our best friends. When pay day came around, some of us found ourselves paying off old debts and crying as our hours of work fluttered away.

Not all of us spent every cent we had. Some saved at least a little of their change in their piggy bank toward a new stereo system, or a college fund. But no matter what we did with our money, we learned to value it, realized it didn't "grow on trees," and faced the harsh reality of the expenses in the real world.

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As the years have gone by, we have always been proud of you. Now as you step into the future, remember we'll be there for you when you need us.

Love always,

**Mom, Dad,
Shawn, Cindi, & Levi**



Stacey Brown



Holly Smith

Holly,

Eighteen short years ago you came to us as a Christmas Blessing. Now that you are making one of life's transitions we know you will be a blessing to others.

Mom & Dad

Congratulations

Karen,

We are very proud of what you have already accomplished. Your determination will take you far in life. Always remember to believe in yourself.

We wish you happiness and success in all you do.

Love,

Mom, Dad, & Kevin



Karen Beck



Alison Horbach

Ali,

You have brought great joy into our lives. We are so very proud of you and all you've accomplished.

Congratulations!

Love,

**Mom, Dad, Anne, Shannon,
Kelley, and Paddy**

Janice,

Congratulations!

I'm so very proud of you. Good luck in college and the future.

Love, Mom



Janice Haack



Susie Shackman

Dear Susie,

We are so proud of you. You are a wonderful daughter and sister. We know you will succeed in future years. May all your dreams become realities.

We love you,

Mom, Dad, and Bill

Kim,

From little girl to young woman, your sparkling eyes, shining smile, and energy for life has brought happiness to us and everyone your life has touched. Every goal in life you want will be yours because of your desire to succeed. We are so very proud of you. We love you very much.

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Kit,

To our bonus child who kept us young. You have given us so many wonderful moments to remember.

Success is not measured by heights attained, but by obstacles overcome.

May you find happiness as you succeed in life.

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Mom, Dad, Charmaine, Tom, Marie,
Tim, Kim, and the Kids



Kit Morgan



Christine Quirk

Christine,

Our family recieved a special gift when you were born. You have filled our hearts with joy and love as we have watched you grow. You have a wonderful life ahead of you.

Good Luck!

Love,

Mom, Dad, Scott,
Bryan, and Mike

Rodney

Congratulations! To a fine son & brother.

We're sure your sense of humor will help you face any challenge!

Best Wishes for a successful and happy future.

Love,

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Susan, Ryan, & Christina



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Dear Andrew,

We wish you a life filled with good friends, good health, and great happiness in your work.

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Mom, Dad, Kara

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It has been a joy watching you become the unique and special young man you are. You have always had to do things your way! Continue to be your own person. We are very proud of you!

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Dianne



Brian Schmitz



Shannon Holm

Shannon,

You are a special person who has enriched our lives with joy and many cherished memories. Your determination, sensitivity to others, and your wonderful sense of humor will take you far in the years to come. With love and pride, we wish you all the best.

Mom, Dad, & Ryan

Bryan,

Take your HITS and RUN with them. Put your ERRORS behind you, but learn from them. Most importantly, enjoy whatever "game" you're in.

We are proud of you.

Love,

Mom, Dad, & Kim



Bryan Realphi

Emily



Emily Schmad

Our shy little girl certainly has grown up to become a lovely young lady--on stage and off! Your accomplishments came as a result of hard work, determination, and talent!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Andy, & Elizabeth

Terri,

We are very proud of you. You have set high goals for yourself and have succeeded in reaching so many of them. Keep striving for new ones as you go through life. You can do it.

Love,
Dad, Mom, & David



Terri Keber

Dana,

You have brought so much joy into our lives! We know you can reach the goals you set for your life.

Our love,
Mom, Dad, and Brian



Dana Shane

To our wise and gentle Ryan-

We're very proud of all that you are and will become. Thank you for enriching our family with your quiet strength, artistry and sense of humor. We wish the best for you always.

So much love,
Mom, Dad and Kate



Ryan Fischer

Dear Susie,

What an experience it has been raising you from this dark haired baby to a beautiful blond young lady. God bless you!

We love you!
Mom, Dad, and family



Susie Atwood

Lisa,

Congratulations!!

Thank you for the joy and love you have brought to us. We are very proud of all that you are, and all that you do. May your future be bright and full of happiness.

We Love You!
Mom & Mike



Lisa Millard

Travis,

We have watched you grow up to become a mature, responsible and hard working young man, who has learned how to set goals for himself and work to achieve those goals. We are very proud of you Travis, and know that you will be successful in the future. Congratulations on your academic and athletic accomplishments in High School, and good luck at College! May God continue to bless you in the future as He has in the past. We Love You

Mom & Dad



Travis Mannors

Josh,

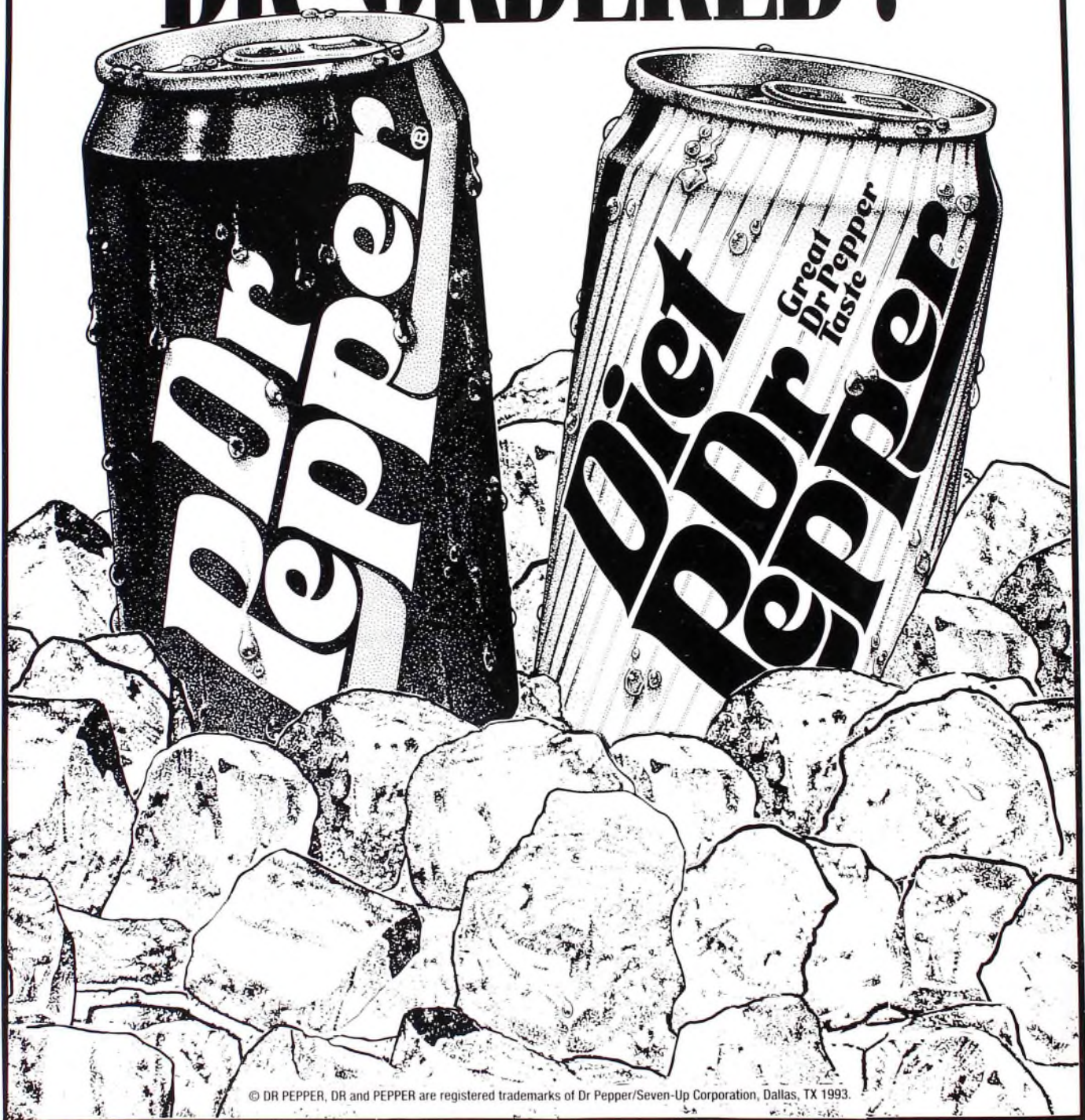
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Mom, Dad, Eryk, Cory,
Devon, Cameron



Jeff Randall

Dear Jeff,

Congratulations! You have made us so incredibly proud these past 18 years. Not only are we proud of your academic success but also of the 'all-around great guy' you have grown into.

We have given you wings, now it is up to you to use them. Go out there and make your mark on the literary world.

We believe in you!

Dad, Mom & Nick



Christy Urosevich

C. U.

'On the sea of life there are gentle currents and rough winds.'

May you continue to show your personal strength and courage as you encounter life's rough winds, and may life's gentle currents take you to where you dream to be.

We love you,
Your family



Ann Silverman

To Ann:

'May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,

May the sun shine warm on your face,

And rains fall soft upon your field,

And may God hold you
In the palm of His hand.'

We love you and will always be there for you.

Mom and Dad



Mark Nielsen

Mark,

You were just as much fun when this picture was taken as you are now.

You are our sunshine!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Ryan, and Carrie



Shirley Zimmerman

Shirley-

Your determination to meet all your challenges, facing agonies of defeat, never boasting on your winnings--we've learned a lot from you! You're a sweet, loving girl and will go far. We're very proud of you. You're a neat kid; stay that way. Thanks.

We Love You Very Much--

Mom, Dad, & Brian



Jill Wehner

Jill,

You have brought us so much joy as we watched the shyest little girl become such a confident, capable young lady. Thank you for all you've brought into our lives.

We are exceedingly proud!

Our love always--
Dad, Mom, Leigh,
Scott, & Lynn



Kim Killion

Congratulations Kim

For every door that closes, somewhere another one opens-- always remember to be receptive to that other door that has opened. Your determination and hard work will take you far!
We are proud of the person you are!!!

Love & Best Wishes,
Dad and Mom



Olivia Troxel

Livie,

Gone are the poodle ears of your first day of school. You've matured into a beautiful young woman. We are very proud of you on this day and wish you all the happiness the future can possibly bring.

**Good Luck Bud
Love Ya Lots
Mom, Dad, & Colleen**

'Katrinka Twinkle Bean'

*Always follow your
rainbow,
But keep home in your
heart,
And don't forget your
ruby slippers.*

*Love
Mom, The Lion and Toto Too!!*



Kasey Brandt

Amy,

You've gone from grade school to graduation with flying colors. We're so proud of you, and we look forward to your college career and a bright future.

May all your dreams come true!

**Love,
Mom, Dad, & Wendy**



Amy Pemberton

Kate

From pigtails to dimples to one of America's Finest preparing for Tomorrow's Challenge, go forward with our love and support to pursue the bright future that awaits you, full of excitement and unlimited possibilities. The sky is the limit-- AIM HIGH!!

**All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Kevin**



Kate McCullough

Dear Steven,

"May you go farther, run faster, be stronger, and reach higher. . . and always know that we believe in you."

Love,

Mom, Dad, David, & Jeffrey



Steve Saylor

Jeff,

It's been a great journey so far. Can't wait to see your new horizons. May you continue to have success and happiness in everything that you do.

**All our love,
Mom and Dad**



Jeff Jorgensen

Steve,

We are very proud of you and wish you success wherever your heart takes you.

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Steve Hill

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Kevin & Mark,

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We wish you the best
As you leave us here
In our empty nests.*

Love from your Moms,
Donna and Eileen



Kevin German
Mark Wright



Charlie Liquori

Charlie
You have made us very proud. Your future is opening before you. Enjoy each day and be happy in all that you do.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Christina & Katie

*Congratulations Glenn Anthony
You have worked hard and accomplished much in your seventeen years, and you have shown your ability, integrity, and sense of humor throughout. You are a very fine young man and a wonderful son. With much love and great pride.*

Mom, Dad and family



Glenn Woster



Kendall Swenson

Son,
You have come a long way from 'dribbles & bit' to a young man at the stepping-off place for the rest of his life. That journey has been a wonderful one for us. We hope that continued journey has many occasions to bring you home again.

Your Mom & Pops

Kendall
There is no way I can express in words the feelings of love and pride I have toward you. With your strength and determination, you will go as far as you desire in life.

GOOD LUCK BIG BROTHER!

Chris



Chris Swenson
Kendall Swenson



Falisha Anders

Falisha Lenn Anders
'If we could sit across, the table from God, we'd thank him for lending us you.'

You are a blessed gift and 'Joy'.

Our unconditional Love Always,
Mom & Dad

Rob,

Just as we let go to watch you take your first step as a child, now it is time to let go so you can take the next step in your future. We know you will accomplish all your goals.

You have always been a special part of our lives and have given us much to be proud of. We love you.

Dad, Mom, and Becky



Rob Hughes



Charlie Lessmann
George Lessmann

*It has been a
great 13 years!
Congratulations
Charlie
and
George*

Mom and Dad

Thanks Burke High School.

The Lessmanns

Amy Burke 1986 UNL 1990

Anne Burke 1989

Bryn Mawr 1993

Liz Marian 1991

Connecticut College 1995

*George Burke 1994
Charlie*



*Lessmann
Family*



Sam Woleben

Sam,

We are very proud of you. You have grown from a delightful little boy to a young man of ability and integrity. Keep growing, use your good judgment, and seize the opportunities that come before you-- you can make wonderful things happen in your life. We support you all the way!

*Love,
Mom, Dad, & Doug*

Dear Sara-Bear

From a beautiful baby to a lovely young woman-- we've been proud of you every step of the way. May all your dreams come true.

God Bless You!

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Brett,
Bobby, & Cecily*



Sara Jaros



Tracey Midden

*Tracey Ann,
Congratulations Racer!*

We are all very proud and happy for you. You are and will always be very special to all of us. We will cherish all of those wonderful memories.

*Here is our recipe for you--
T-truth, R-respect & reliability, A-accomplishment & positive attitude, C-challenge & change, E-excitement, and Y-youth...*

Tracey, add a cupful of love and faith and this special recipe will give you a future of happiness and success! Keep your beautiful smile & go race after your future!

*We love you,
Mom, Dad, Tom, Tyler,
Jane, Kyle, Kelly, &
Grandparents*

Kevin,

Thank you for all the joy, enthusiasm, and pride you have brought to our family. We are so proud of the fine person you are, and we wish you a lifetime of good health, happiness, and success!

*Lots of love,
Mom and Dad
Scott, David, and Amy*



Kevin Saylan



Bobby Shapiro

Bobby,

We have enjoyed watching you grow into a fine young man. Continue to have big dreams and reach for the stars. We hope your faith in yourself and your high moral and ethical standards will always be a source of pride and strength. Our wish is that your life will continue to be filled with happiness, health, and love. We are very proud of you!

We love you, Mom & Dad

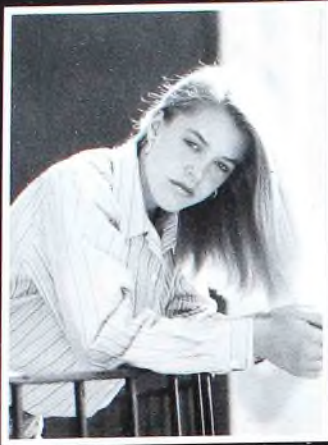
*Carrie,
Congratulations!*

We're very proud of you and may you always have much success.

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



Carrie Sloan



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Kristen Steere

Kristen,
You are the shining star in our eyes. Always remember that we love you "as big as the sky." Be happy and keep sight of your goals!

With much pride, love and encouragement,

Dad, Mom, Kaleigh and Grandma

Kevin,

As our favorite song says 'That hero lies in you.'

Kevin you will always be our hero-- our favorite honor student, baseball player and basketball player, but most of all a son and brother who is special in every way.

We are proud of you and love you very much.

Love Mom, Dad, Kimberly and Sparkles



Kevin German



Cort Lovato

Cort,

To our son of whom we are so proud. The values you have set for yourself will take you far in this life. We'll miss you very much but wish you the best of everything you desire.

Love,

Mom & Dad

Amy,

Continue your future with the passion you have lived in your past. Happiness and success will surely follow. I am proud of all you have accomplished. Good luck in the future and always remember who 'Loves you Baby.'

Love,

Dad



Amy Gunn



Karalee Ziemba

Karalee,

Just what are two parents supposed to do with a happy, curious, precocious three-year-old who can read? Give her books...and more books...and more books...

Congratulations, love, and thanks for being you!

Dad and Mom

Corie,

God's blessings to you as you move forward with learning, work and life. Always look for joy and contentment.

We love you very much.

Mom, Dad & Steph



Corie Schnabel



George & Charlie Lessmann and Courtney Johnson

"Preschool Buddies"

George, Charlie & Courtney

We're so proud of you!

Love,

Your Moms

Steve,

You have given us so many reasons to be proud of you and your achievements. We look forward to watching your talents and aspirations unfold and develop.

We love you!

Mom, Dad, Jim, Mike and Becca



Steve Preston



Eric,

*Who would have ever thought
your hair would ever be an issue?*

*Congratulations on all your
accomplishments and thanks for the
pleasure you have brought into our
lives.*

*Love always,
Mom, Dad, & Shamen*

Eric Hochstein

Dear Craig,

*You will always be our
dink.*

Congratulations!

*Our Love,
Dad, Mom, & Scott
Grandpa Joe & Grandma
Margaret & Grandma Rose*



Craig Redinger



Ryan,

*When you were starting to walk out the door
for your first day of school, you stopped, held
your stomach and said 'I don't know if I can
do it, my stomach feels funny.' On the second
day when I tried to wake you, you were still
sleepy, and you told me, 'I'm too tired today,
but I'll go tomorrow'. Ryan, we're glad you
stayed with it, and even better reward comes
from faith in Jesus. The leaning of your entire
human personality on Him, in absolute trust
and confidence in His power, wisdom, and
goodness.*

*Love and blessings,
Dad, Mom, Tressa, Travis, Anna, & Marc*

Ryan Gourley

Matt:

*Always the actor --
you will always be a
"star" to us!*

*Love,
Mom & Dad*



Matt Nelson



Candy,

*Mischievous as always. Remember
this old picture of you as a two-year-
old. Bell bottoms and all. What a
great smile. You could tell you would
be an achiever even then. Good luck
as you start your college years. We
have always been proud of you and
expect the tradition to continue.*

Love, Mom & Dad

Candy Gray

Angie

*Life's a stage and you're my star.
I'm proud that you have come so
far,*

*So that maybe someday you'll get
that new car.*

*Love you always,
Mom*

*Angie-- you're the best sister I
could wish for.*

Love Travis



Angela Vampola



Dear Nick,

*We are so proud of you.
You are a wonderful son,
and we wish you joy and
happiness in the years to
come.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, John and Suzy*

Nick Stark

Congratulations Jason,

*We wish for you a happy,
healthy, and successful future,
with all your dreams coming
true!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, and Dave*



Jason Kadavy



Chad Hoffart

Chad
Yesterdays are now only treasured memories of our precious little boy with curly locks.
Today we so enjoy our handsome and considerate young man who is so much fun to have around!
Tomorrow holds all of your dreams and visions that we pray will one day all come true for you!

With all our love,
Mom, Dad, Brent, Andrea, & Darren

Courtney

From our little girl in pigtails to the wonderful young woman you are today. You have always been a joy and we are so proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, & Stacey



Courtney Johnson



Jamie Vicki
Sazama Sazama

Congratulations Vicki and Jamie.

We are very proud of you!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Jill, Peaches,
Devon, & Tabby

Kristin,

From Day One, being Grandpa's 'Little Princess,' you have filled our lives with love, pride and respect. Remember 'The Rainbow' and all your accomplishments. Keep your first 18 years in focus and you will be blessed with love, happiness and success--that is our wish and hope for you.

We honor you, Kris, and we love you!
Dad, Mom and Greg



Kristin Jenkins



Brian Jorde

Dear Brian,

Thank you for being your determined, zestful, unique, positive, and supportive self. It is an honor and a blessing to be your parents.

Keep your face to the wind!
Love,
Mom and Dave

Congratulations, Dave!!

We are very proud of you and all of your accomplishments. May the future hold lots of success and happiness for you, and may all your dreams come true. Thank you for the joy you bring into our lives.

Love,
Mom, Dad, & Tammy



Dave Oxenford



Amy Schaeppi

Amy,

To our little ski racer...
We hope all your dreams come true.

Love,
Your Stepdad and Your Mother

Dear Heidi,

Always remember that without a dream, nothing happens. Keep reaching for your dreams, becoming all that you can and want to be. You are a beautiful, bright and talented young woman, with a sensitive and loving heart. We are very proud of you and will always love you!

Love,
Mom, Ken, John, Heather, and Jason



Heidi O'Gara



Jaime Zuhlke

Jaime

From a beautiful young girl--to a beautiful young lady. You are such a special daughter, a special sister and a special person. We have always been very proud of you and we always will be. You have a wonderful future ahead of you.

Good Luck!

We love you,

Dad, Mom, and Eric



Eric Givner

Dear Eric,

What joy and pride you've brought us as you grew up to become a terrific young man!

Set your goals, and may you reach them all!

Love,

Mom, Dad, Steve and Debra



Heather Treat

Dear Heather,
CONGRATULATIONS!

We are very proud of you.

We wish you well in all you do.

We love you!

Dad, Mom, Janelle &
David



Kara Stamm

Kara,

As you begin a new chapter in your life, with your beautiful smile, strong spirit and caring heart, we have no doubt you will achieve your goals. May your bright eyes always look to the future that is open before you.

We are very proud to call you our daughter!

Love,

Mom, Dad, Britney & Snuggles



Susan Blach

Susan,

Congratulations on your high school graduation. We are very proud of all that you are and all that you do.

We love you very much.

Dad and Mom



Susan Blach

BOOCH

Congratulations!!

We are so proud of you and all you've done! We wish you the best and brightest in the future!

It's true... they do save the best for last!

Love,

Marina & Bruce, Julie &
Mike, Kerry and John



Jessica Chandler

Jessica-

You're now ready to step out and begin the rest of your life.

We wish you the very best!

We love you!!!

Mom, Dad, Eric, and Ryan



Jason Banks

Jason,

We've watched you grow and develop these past 18 years with such joy and pride. We wish for you the best in life--success and happiness always. Wherever you go and whatever you do, may God guide you and watch over you.

Our love always,

Mom, Dad, Adam, and Megan



Nicole Grosse

It's for you,
Niki Renae
Your graduation, your
goals, your dreams. Go for
the Gold, (not the 'ello!)
Congratulations...we're
proud of you.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Jason, Nate and
Miranda



Mike Zaller

Michael,
We are very proud of you
for all you have
accomplished. We hope
your life is filled with as
much happiness as you have
brought us.

Love,
Mom, Dad & Dawn



Julie Cooke

Dear Julie,
For so many years you've
brought a smile to our faces by
being our loving daughter and
sister. As you head off to the
next part of your life, use all
that enthusiasm in everything
you accomplish.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Jim, David & Jenny
Butter & Chad



Jenny Bonge

Jennifer--
Congratulations
and
Good Luck!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Kelly O'Donnell

Congratulations, Kelly!!!!
From the time you were a
little girl, you've always had a
wonderful way of warming
hearts and brightening lives.
We're proud of you and wish you
continued success as you go on to
college.

Love,
Dad, Mom, and Hugh



Ryan Plummer

Ryan,
You've attained your
diploma and the future
looms ahead. We know
you'll succeed in all you
pursue.

Love,
Dad, Mom,
Stacie, Lindsay & Brandon



Brian Harrell

Congratulations
Brian!
We are so very
proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Kris,
Jenny and Kaela



Kristina Ward

Dear Kristina,
Even at two you were
trying to do many things
at once!

Good luck!
Mom, Dad
Yo, Bo, Karma Jo,
Aspen & Tuffy-O

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Tragedy hits Burke High School

Three Burke students, Matthew Guifoyle, 16; Jaydn Lombardi, 16; and Janelle Papillon, 17; were killed in a one-car accident on State Street Friday, April 1.

The deaths shocked the student body.

"The deaths were a real reality check that helped me realize we are not invincible," junior Kira Astle said. "I think that no one will ever forget the accident. Even the students who didn't know Matt, Jaydn and Janelle will remember the tragedy."

Students were also shocked at the death of sophomore Robert Winter, 15, on Feb. 6.

"He was a very special young man who lives on in the hearts of us all," teacher Mickey Reilly said.

NOTHING else MATTERS

Relaxing between shot put flights, State Track Meet workers quench their thirst as temperatures continue to rise. The State Track Meet, which was held at Burke, signals the end of the school year. For the first time in years, the meet was rainless. (photo by Mark Ward)

Jeff Jorgensen

Ready or not. After all the complaining and wishing the school year would just be over, suddenly it was. The countdown charts were empty, and seniors were left counting the days until graduation.

Spring Break brought the first harsh reality. Only 30 school days were left for seniors, a fact that sent some of us into shock. Post-Spring Break was time to kick it in, or risk being back in high school next year.

Seniors became obsessed with filling out college and scholarship applications, and time flew by.

Some seniors who couldn't handle the pressure decided to take a one-day sneak. The next day these skippers were greeted with three extra school days added on to the end of their year.

At first, everybody was bragging about how they were going to get out of those three extra days. The juniors anxiously awaited the decision, already planning ahead.

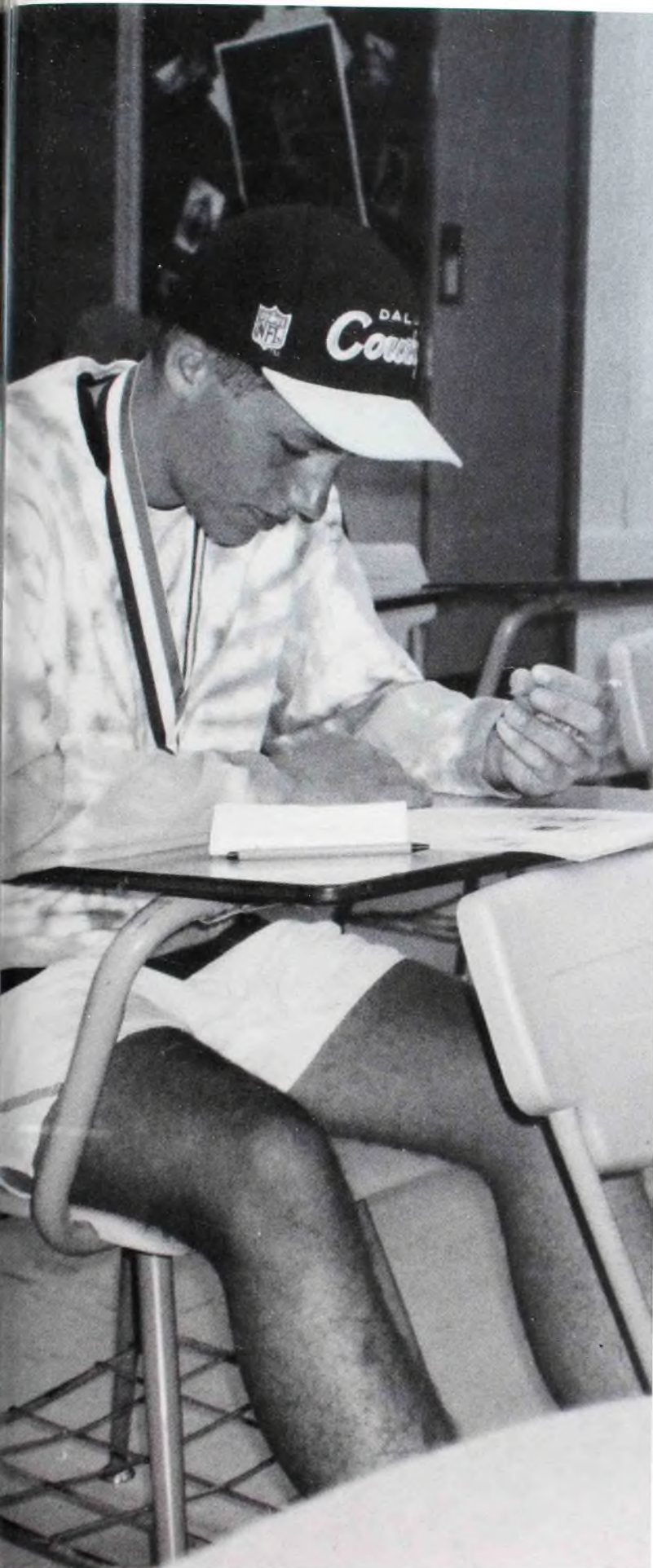
Although at first it seemed like the end of the world to spend THREE MORE DAYS in school, over 150 seniors who did come back found it really wasn't that bad.

Reality set in when the graduating seniors picked up their robes May 24. Nervous, but definitely ready, seniors strolled down the halls paying last-minute fines as envy filled the eyes of the underclassmen still in class doing sponge activities.

Nothing else mattered on the last day as you took one long last look into your empty locker and handed in all of your books. You couldn't help wondering who would have your locker next year. Would it be immaculate or trashed?

It didn't really matter though, after one last look at the 'B,' it was time to move on.





Leading over his Beginning Yearbook final exam, senior Cory Mann finds it difficult to concentrate after playing in the State Championship Soccer game the night before. The Bulldogs won the game 5-0 over Blair High School. (photo by Mark Ward)



Ready to graduate, senior Ryan Fischer walks to his seat on the field. A mid-afternoon thunderstorm left many wondering whether commencement would be moved inside, but the skies cleared and only the wind was a factor. (photo by Cherie Connors)

Spinning in the spinning crowns, seniors Ali Horbach and Mark Leudkte celebrate after the Senior Banquet. Senior Banquet was held Crown Hall. (photo by Jeff Jorgensen)



NOTHING ELSE MATTERS



radiant, salutatorian Susie Shackman marches to the beat of "Pomp and Circumstance." Shackman, named *World-Herald* Key Staffer, was editor-in-chief of the *Burke Beat*. (photo by Mark Ward)