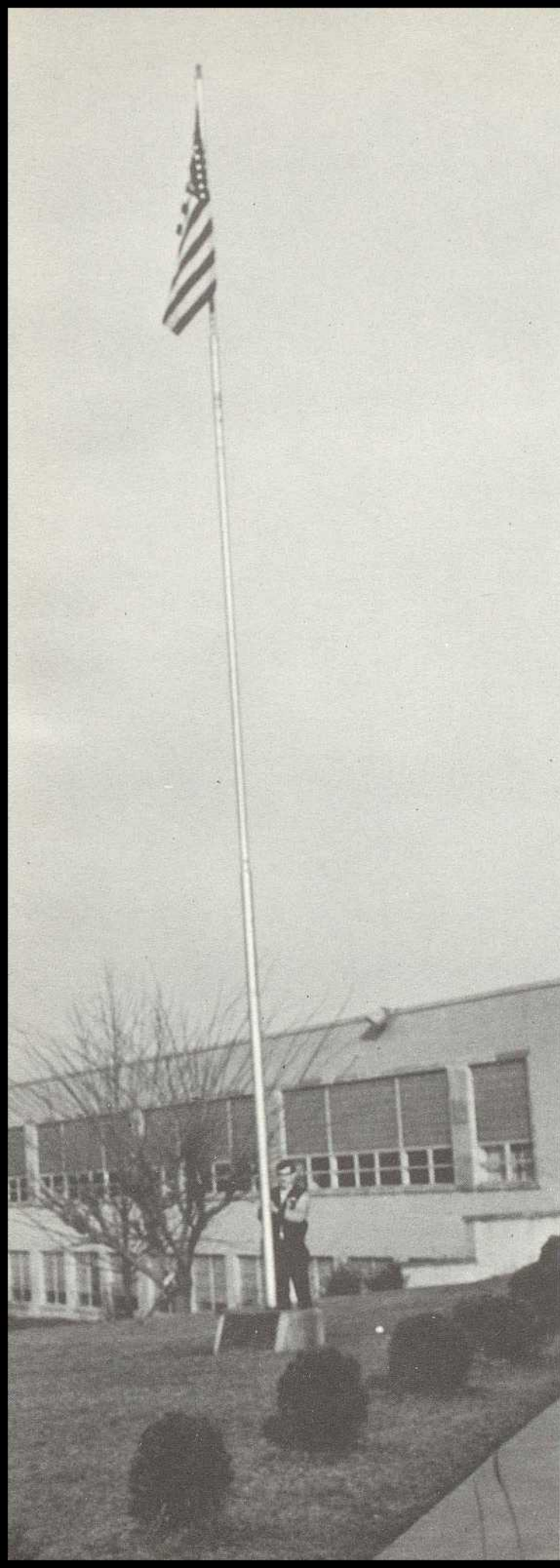




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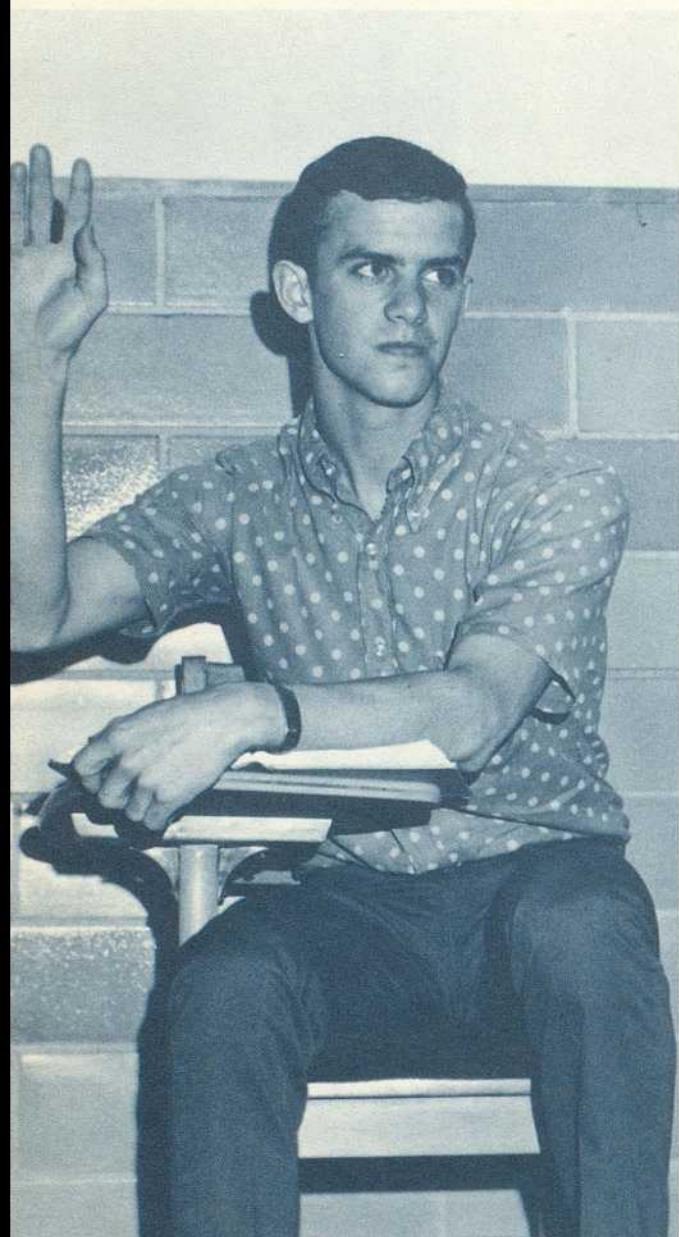


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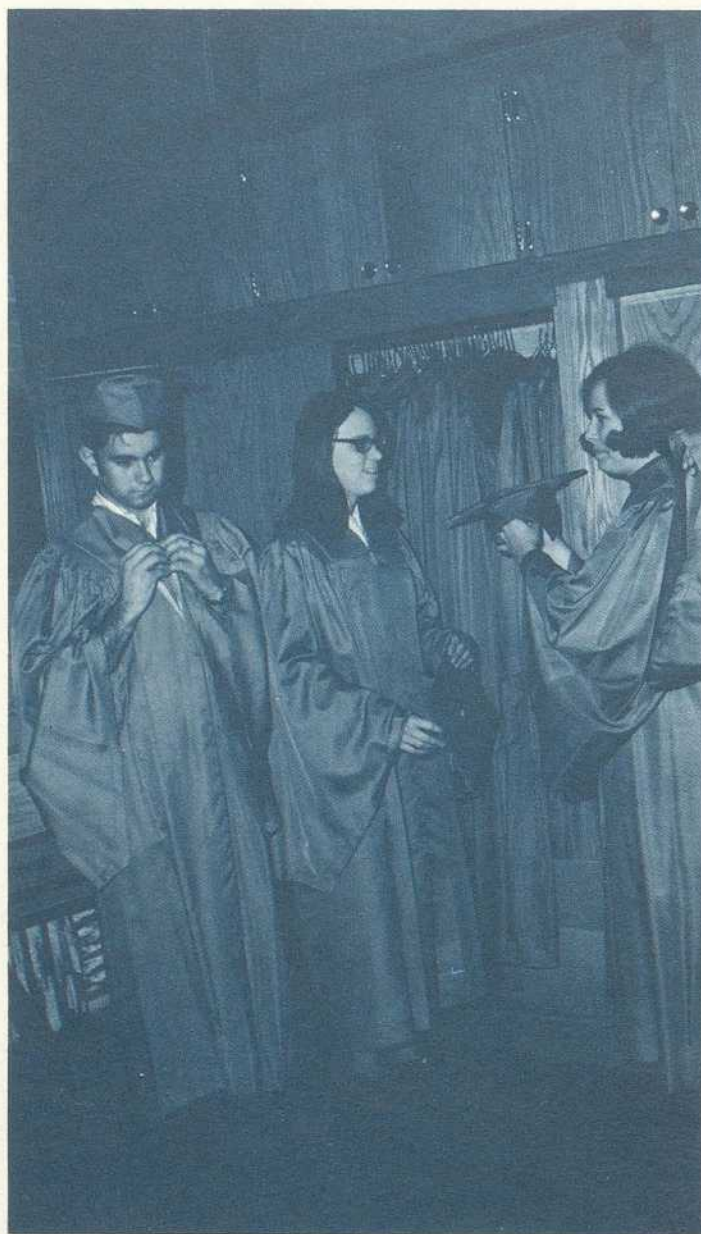
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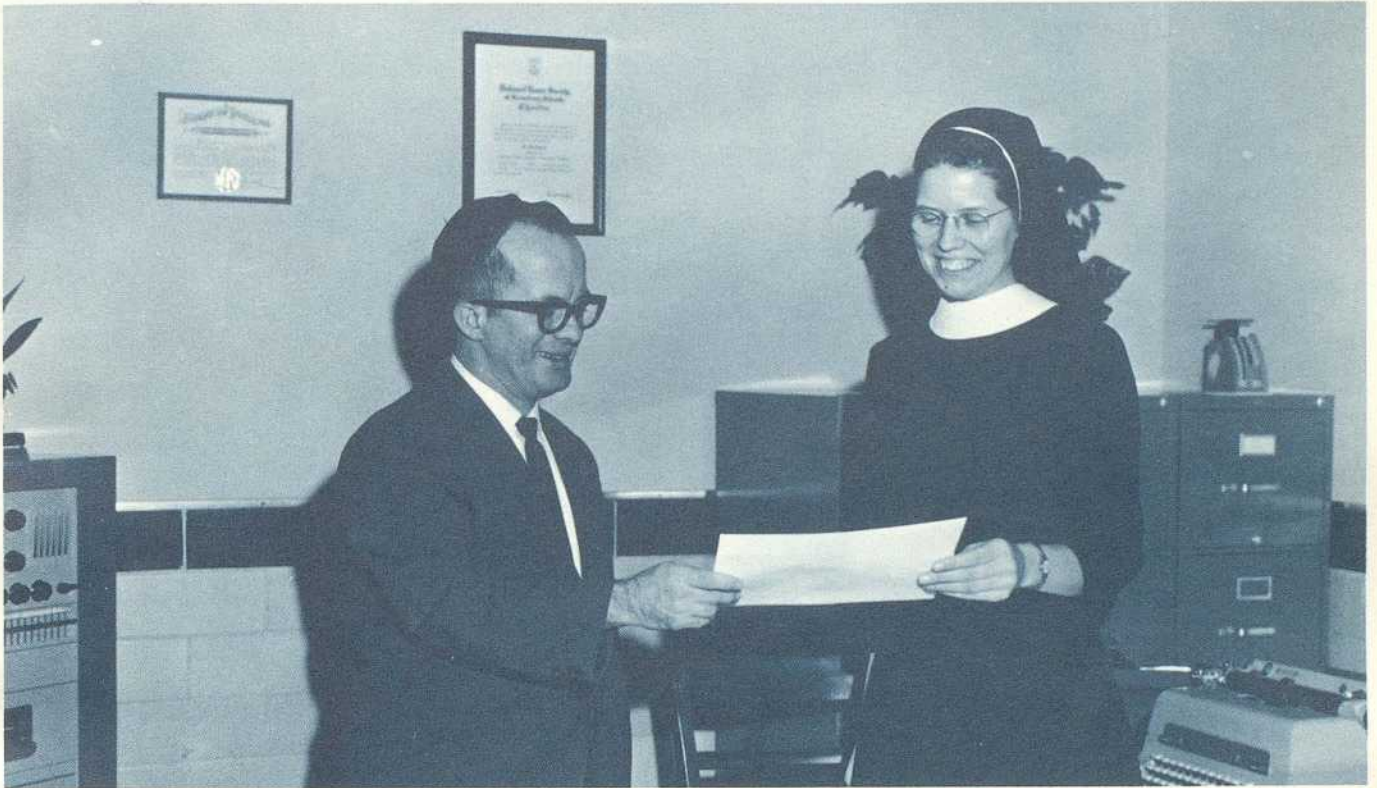


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While assistants at St. Ferdinand Parish, Fathers Kuper and Verkamp work amid piles of paper work at the rectory.

Former Teachers Receive Dedication

In the first three years of our high school careers, probably no one has influenced us more than have Fathers Raymond Kuper and Bernard Verkamp. As members of the teaching staff of St. Ferdinand High School, they have in their religion classes helped us to formulate our hopes, goals, and desires as young Christians into a unified plan. New ideas and a new youth and vigor relating to our beliefs were clearly defined in the course of three years' study.

Guidance counseling was inaugurated at FHS by these two priests. Through their efforts many of us received the advice we needed for making future plans and the encouragement and enlightenment to live in our world today.

Father Verkamp performed additional duties as superintendent of our high school. Certainly the way he carried out school policies has and will effect us greatly. Father Kuper also carried an extra load. A number of students have benefited from weekly YCS meetings and a larger group from an active CYO group.

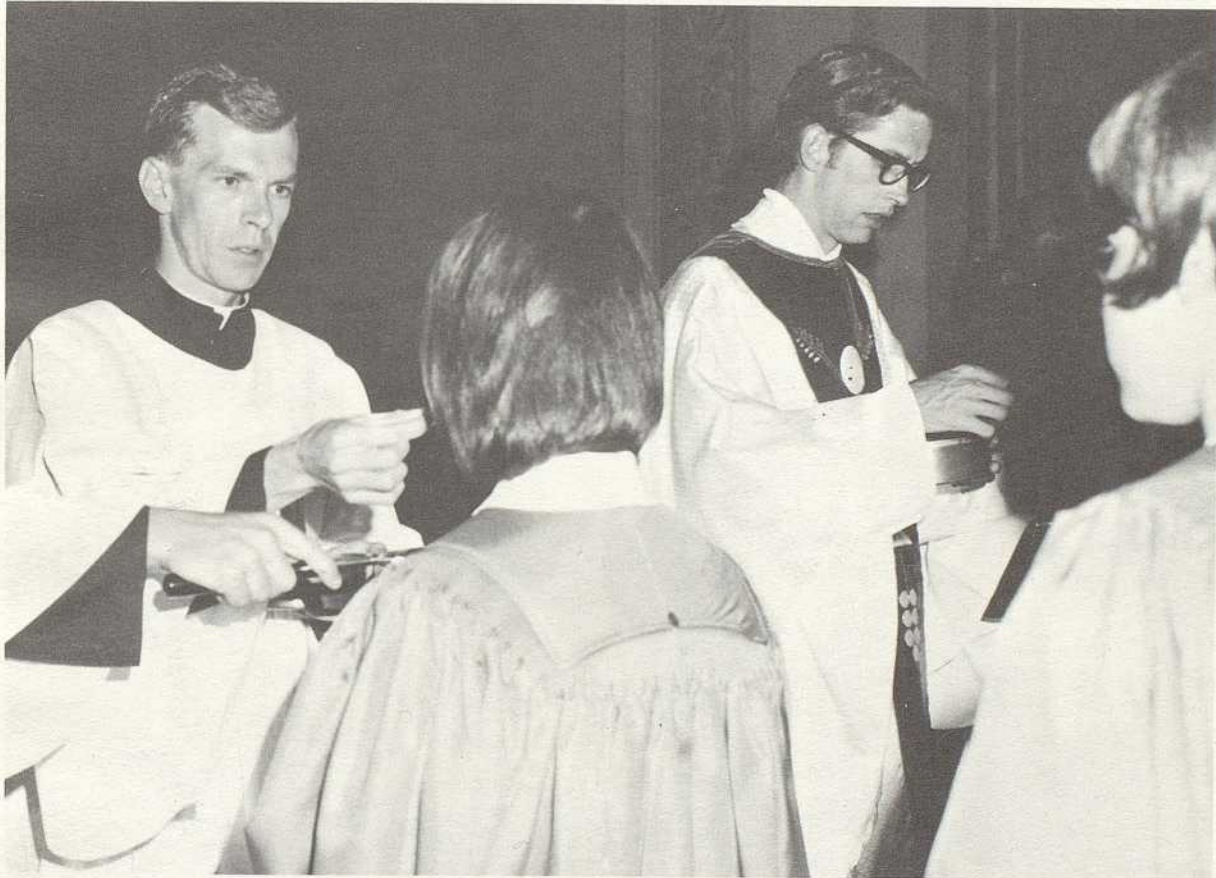
Therefore, having reached the goal of our high school years, we, the Class of 1969, wish to dedicate this yearbook to Fathers Kuper and Verkamp in recognition of the contribution they have made to our lives.



Father Bernard Verkamp attends to administrative duties as superintendent of St. Ferdinand High School.



The sermon at the seniors' Baccalaureate Mass was presented by Father Raymond Kuper.



Fathers Kuper and Verkamp distribute Communion to the seventy graduating seniors.



Upon becoming a public school for the year '68-'69, Ferdinand High School received a new administration. Mr. Earl Buechler, former school superintendent of Dubois County, was appointed superintendent for the Southeast Dubois County School Corporation. A new school board was elected in January. Sister Mary Carmen, who had been principal when the school was parochial, continued in that same capacity this year.

Mr. Earl Buechler administers from his new office in Ferdinand.



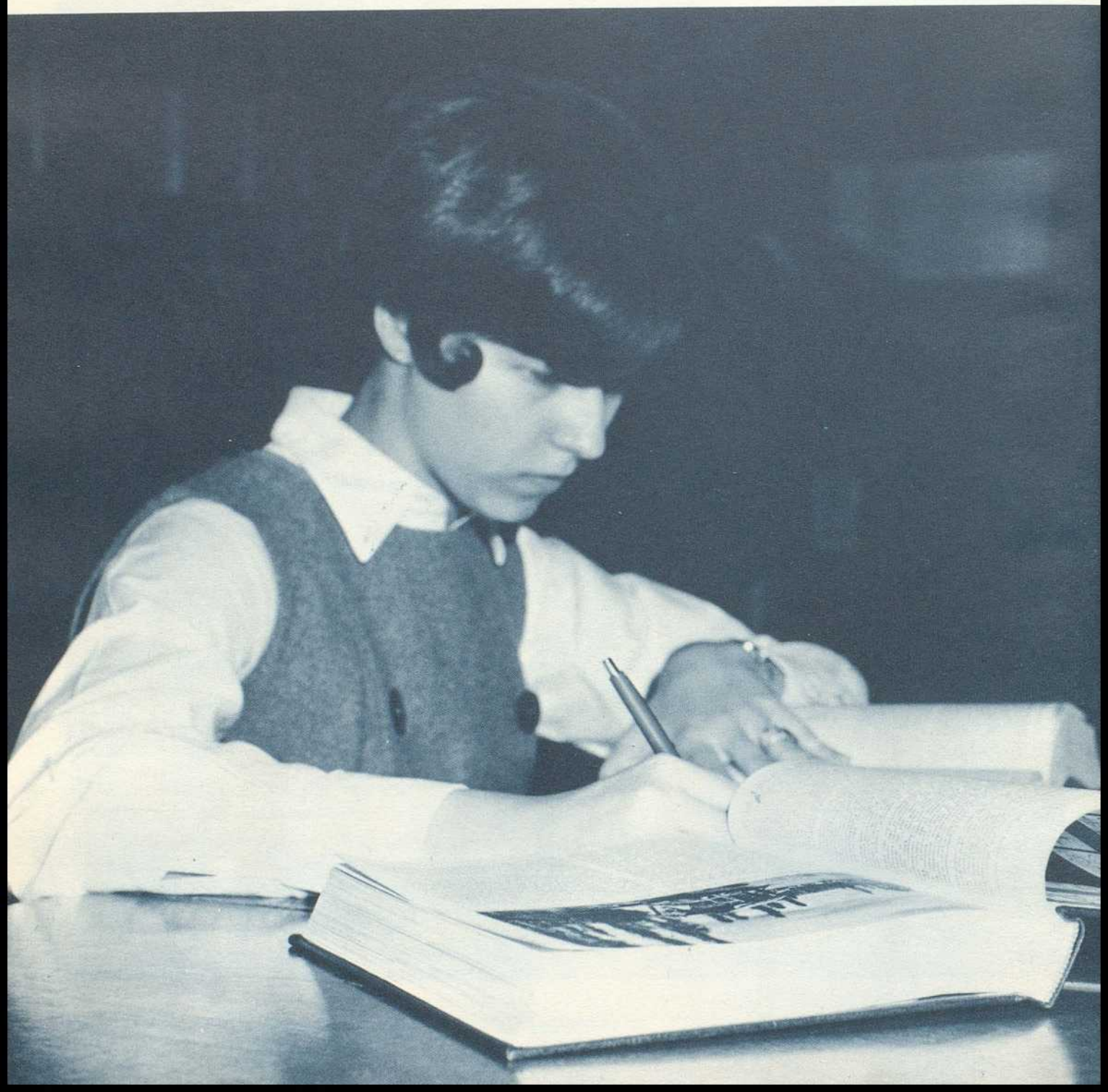
Jerome Meyer receives academic advice from Sister Mary Carmen.

New Administration Governs Public School

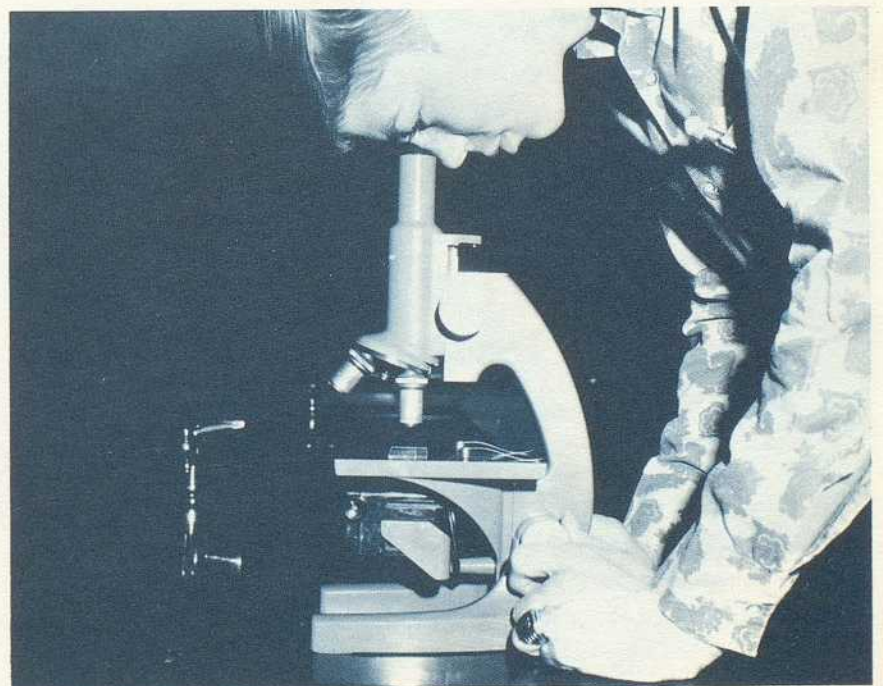
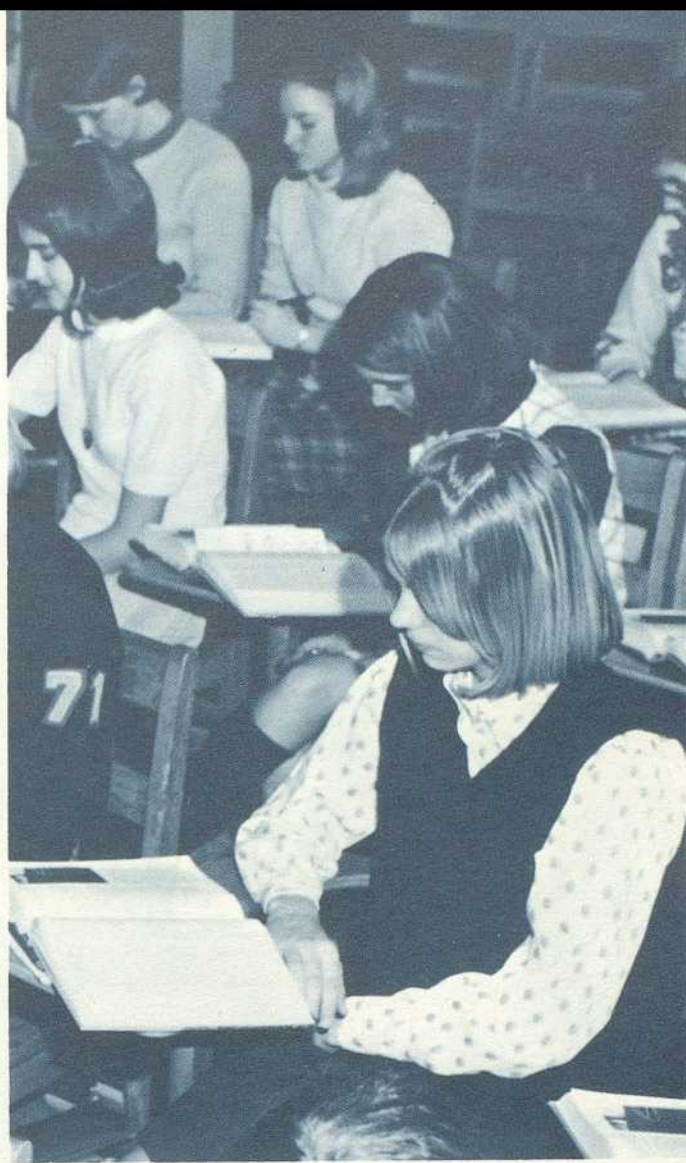


Members of the Southeast Dubois County School Corporation are Mr. John Schnell, Mr. Al Betz, Mr. Jim Leinenbach, Mr. John Buechler, and Mr. Emil Olinger. These five men were elected at the time the county was divided into four corporations.

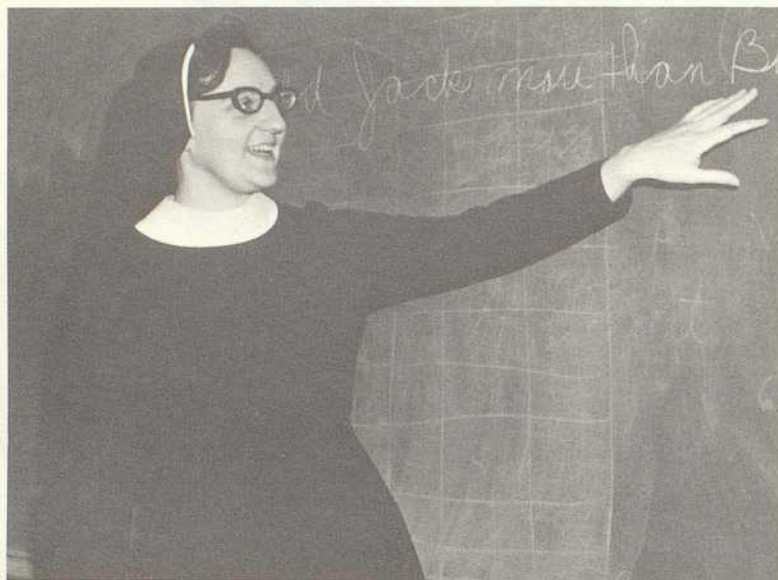
Reflections of a Search for Knowledge



Academics



Reading, Writing, Speaking Receive Emphasis



Sister Mary Nicholas explains the need for clarity in self-expression.

Communication requires proper knowledge and usage of language. The theory and practice are both emphasized in English classes. Literature also receives much stress. Seniors may choose the English class they wish to take. Developmental reading, World literature and composition are available to them. The juniors study English literature; the sophomores, American literature; the freshmen, a general survey of literary types.



READER'S GUIDE places materials at Dave Hoppenjan's and Martha Kemper's finger tips. Darlene Fischer finds essential information in the encyclopedia.



Ginny Potter ponders over ideas she reads in her search for truth.

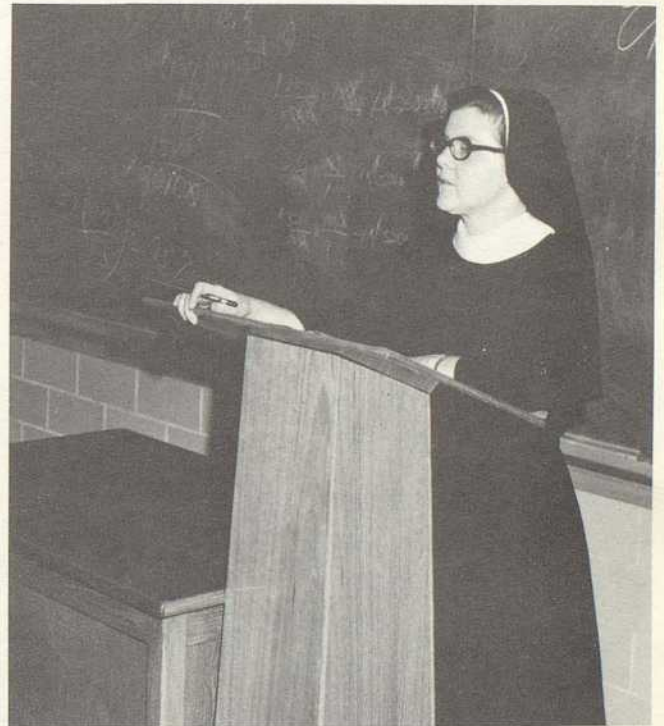
Language Learned Through Literature



Sister Mary Nicholas supervises a freshmen English class as they discuss the right of public servants to strike.



American literature students, taught by Sister Mary Gervase, learn to recognize good writing styles.

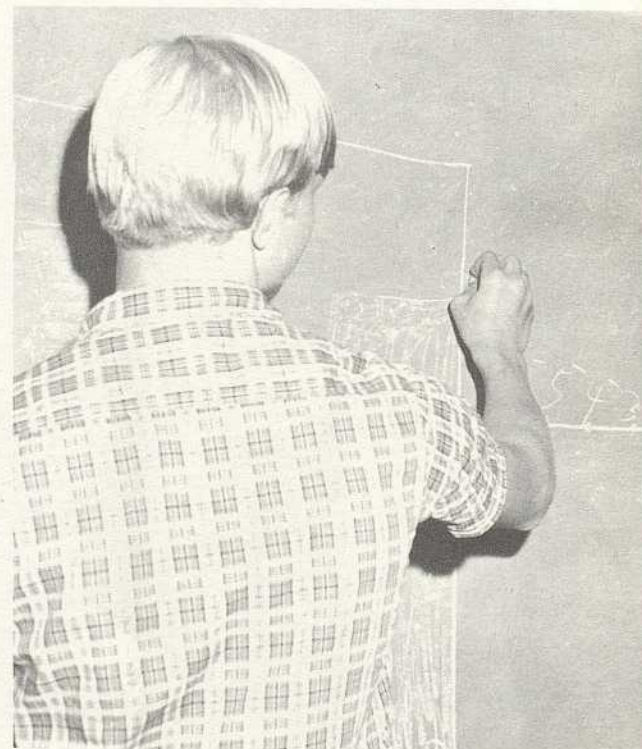


Proper use of language is emphasized by Sister Mary Beth.

Mathematicians

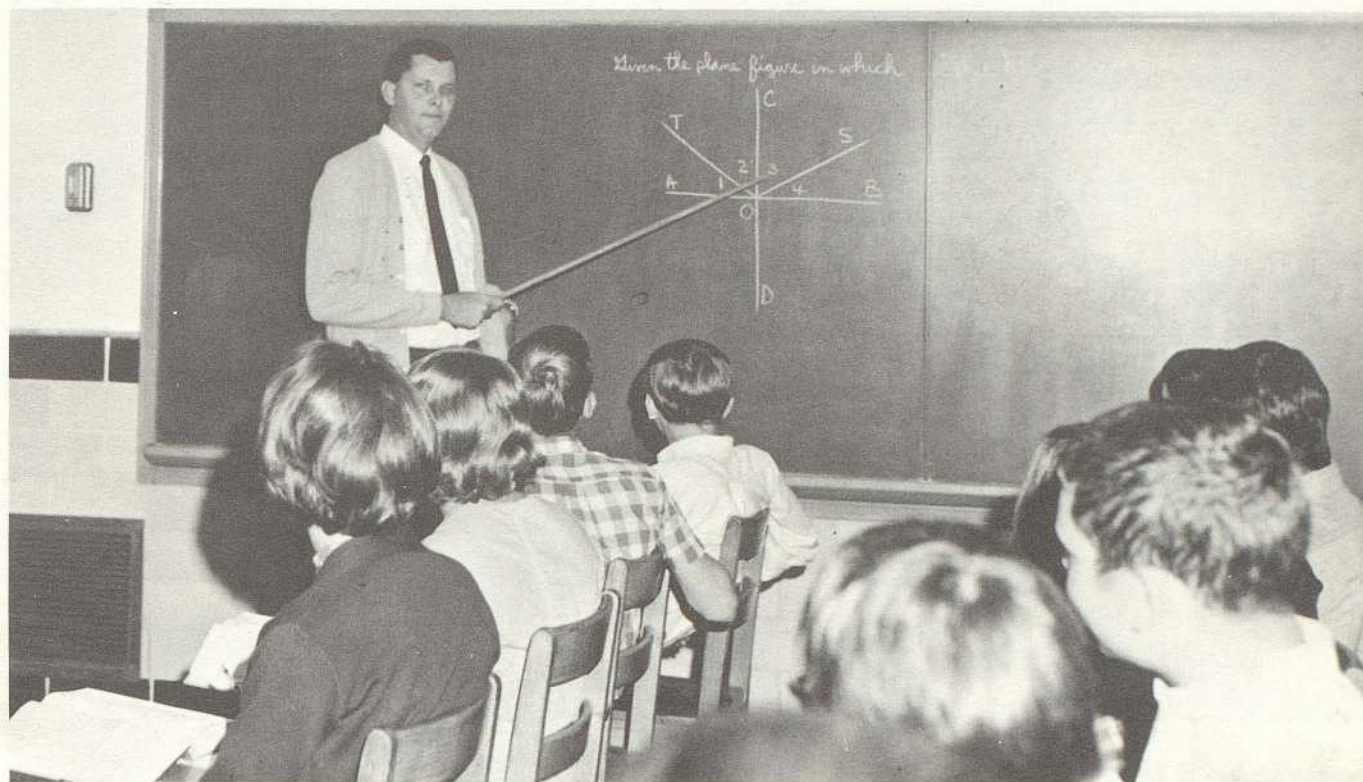
Mathematics interests students of all levels and abilities. Graphing hyperbolas, parabolas, and straight lines; creating three dimensional figures to display trigonometric equations; learning to construct and bisect angles and arcs; dealing with percentage and monetary values; and figuring areas and volumes are all part of the math program taught by Mr. Klein and Mr. Schipp.

Mr. David Schipp, full-time math teacher, instructs students in general math, Algebra I and II, trigonometry and analytical geometry.

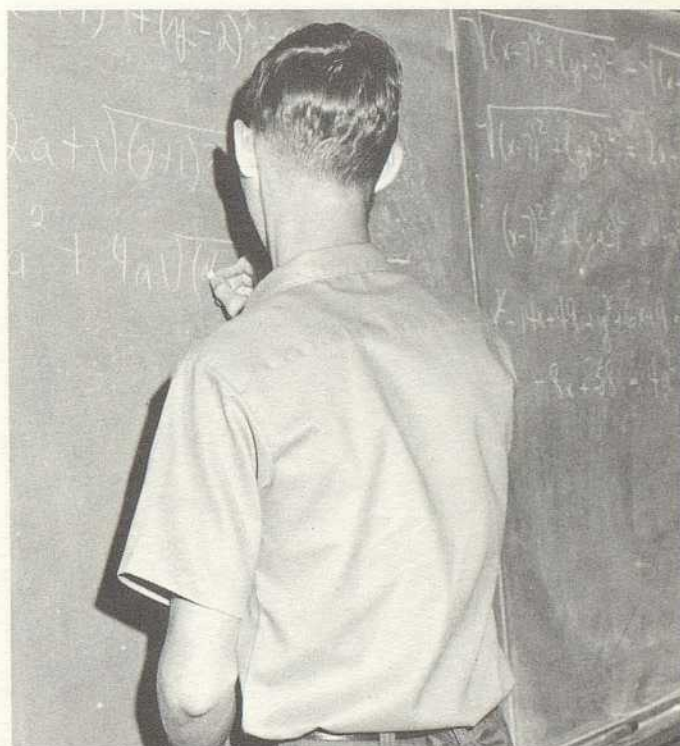
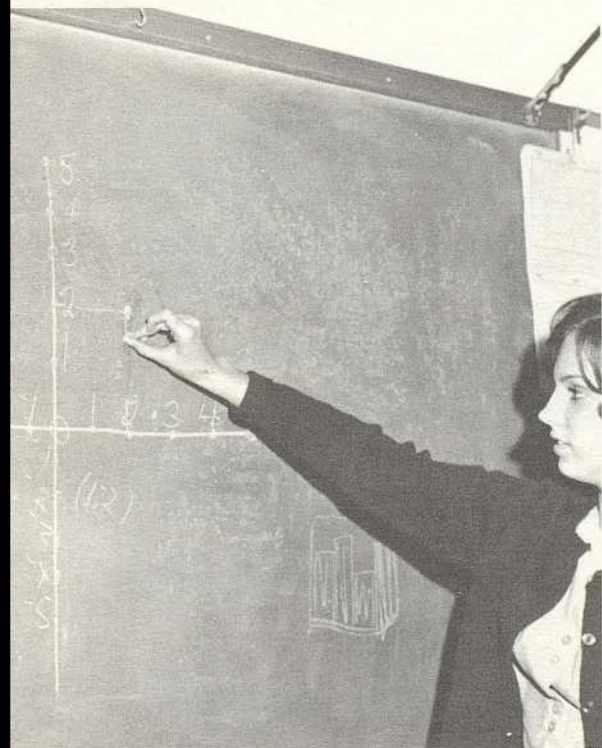


Dave Wagner and Judy Ebert display knowledge of graph construction learned in general math.

Gain Theoretical and Practical Knowledge



Mr. Klein explains the theory of complementary angles.



Dan Hoppenjans works his way through a complicated Algebra II problem.

World Problems and Affairs Intrigue Students



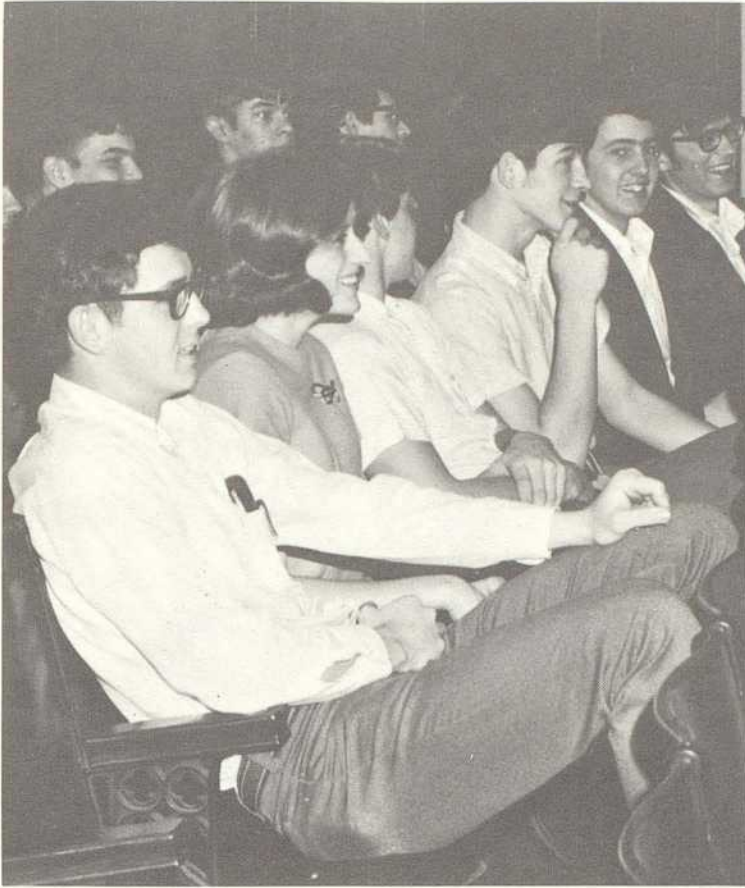
Marvin Meyer and Maurice Wobkenberg look on as Bill Fischer points out Latin America.



Sister Mary Gervase draws globe showing temperature zones.



Mr. Meuser explains theories of United States history.



Students await the beginning of a trial in Jasper court.

Through the various social studies classes, students gain a thorough background of modern world problems and affairs. Sister Mary Gervase explains the physical advantages and disadvantages of the countries. Mr. Hagedorn provides an over-all knowledge of the history of the world through the various ages. Concentrating on the United States, Mr. Meuser devotes his energies to United States history and government. Mr. Olinger teaches theoretical and practical solutions to the problems presented in his economic and sociology classes.



Economic and social principles are explained by Mr. Leon Olinger.



Man's advancement through the ages is revealed by Mr. Jim Hagedorn.



French I students, Virginia Rahman and Joan Nord, artfully maneuver their puppets during a presentation of "Guignol", the hero of French children.



Sister Josella relates her experiences.



French culture and history are included in Sr. Mary Philip's lecture.

Language Proves Universal Happening

Presently the Spanish section of the language department boasts the largest number of students. Sister Josella teaches Spanish five periods daily. Sisters Mary Philip and Mary Nicholas each contribute two periods of French and German respectively. An additional drawing card of the language department is its useful equipment and the annual social affairs. Each group of linguists spends one social evening playing games, singing songs, and enjoying traditional foods while speaking only the new language.



Through use of tapes Sr. Mary Nicholas helps students improve pronunciation.

Spanish I students take advantage of equipment made available to them through the language department.



Observation, Experimentation Verification

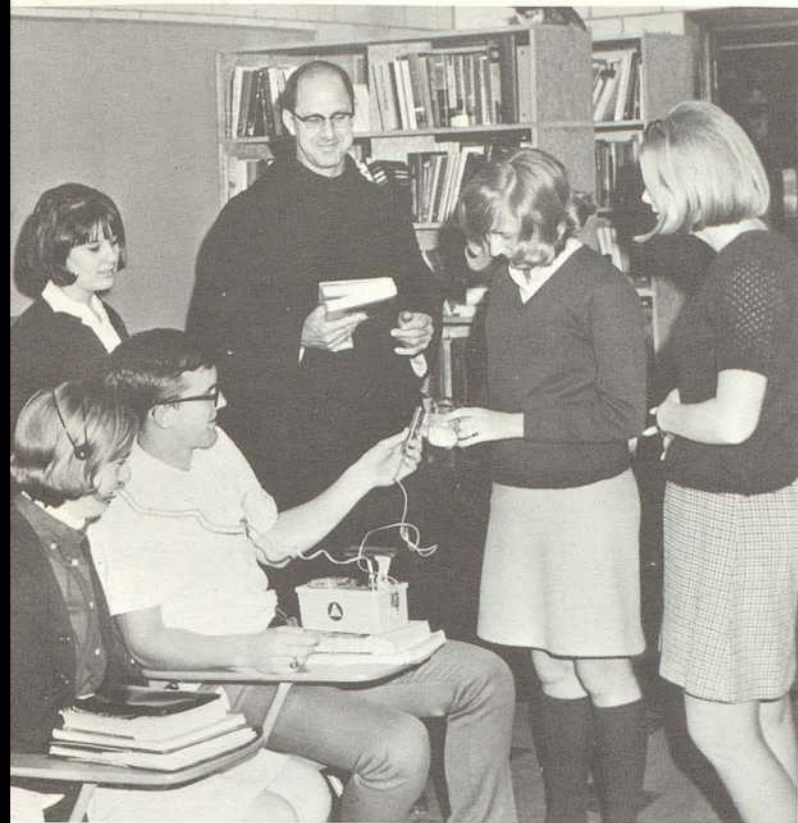


Sister Francesca supervises progress made by Chemistry students David Seng and Mary Jane Schlachter as they work chemical equations.

Highly qualified teachers and excellent equipment combine to create a tempting habitat for future scientists. Sr. Francesca, chemistry instructor, is also professor at St. Ben's. Physics students, under Fr. Kevin, use college equipment. Mr. Hagedorn devotes energies to students interested in biological problems.



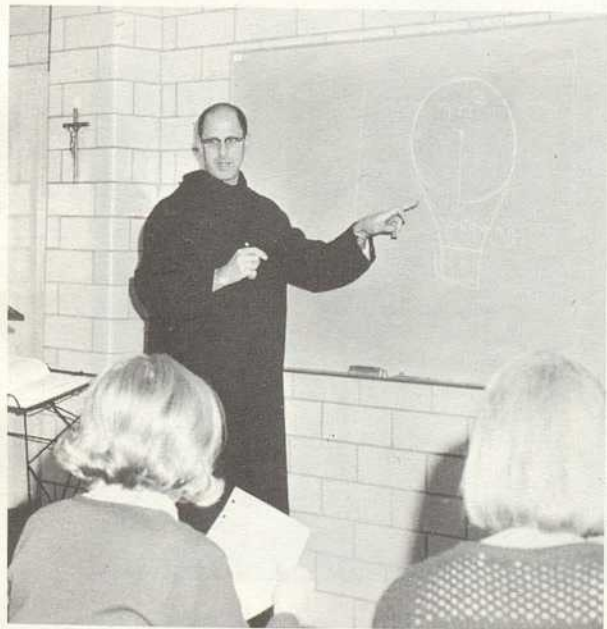
Pat Laake, Ginny Potter, and Mike Rasche carefully measure elements in preparation for their chemistry experiment.



Doreen Slaats, Martha Krempp, Connie Hedinger, Dennis Verkamp, Judy Steltenpohl, and Lori Schnieders test radio-active substances with a geiger counter as Fr. Kevin shares in the experiment.



Judy Drach and Connie Burger listen as Mr. Hagedorn explains the techniques of the use of microscopes.

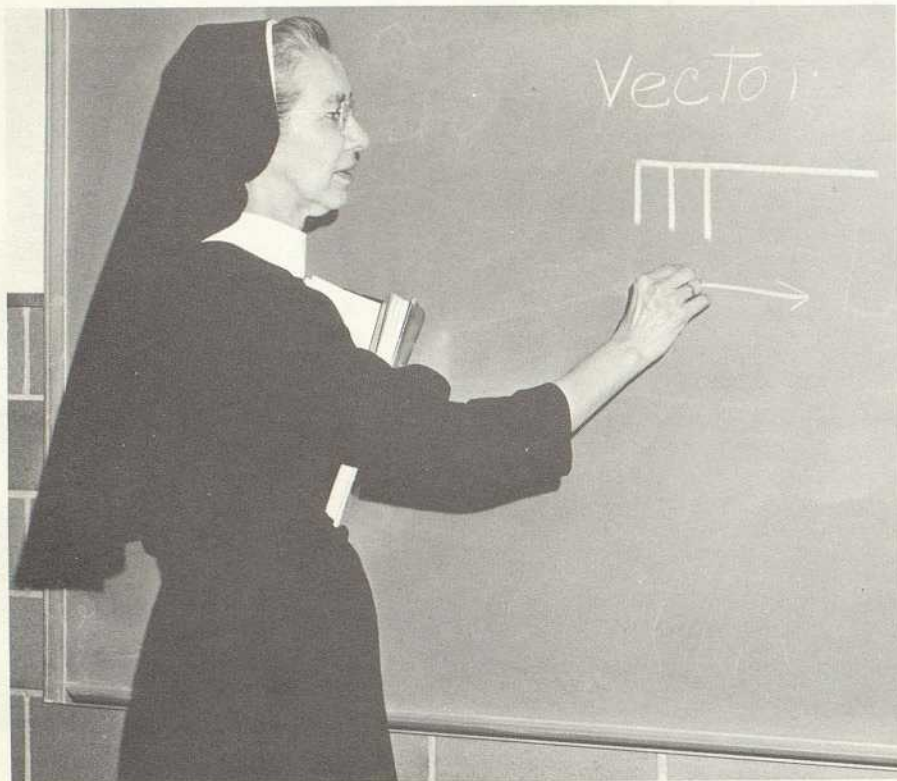


Fr. Kevin Ryan illustrates physics principles.



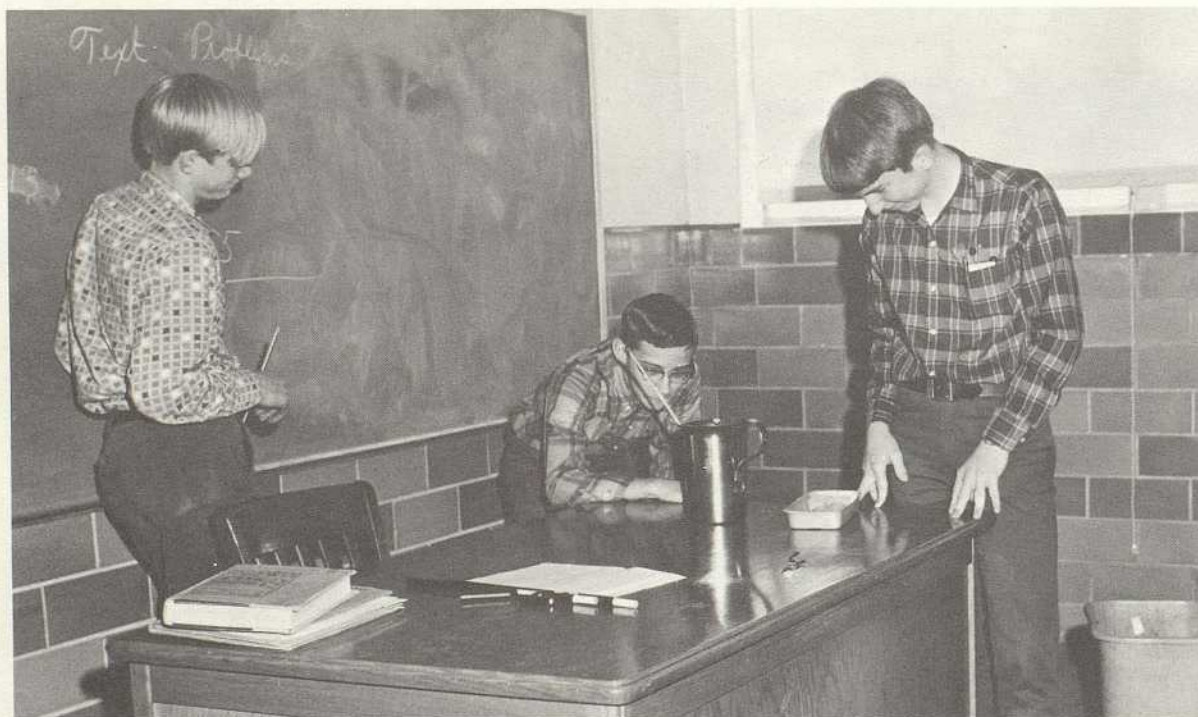
Mr. Hagedorn examines test tubes in biology lab.

Scientists Discover Facts About Earth



Earth Science offers students an excellent opportunity to learn interesting facts about our own planet, as well as the universe. The causes of weather, the reading of maps, the knowledge of the soil, types of cloud formation are all included in these lectures.

Sister Josepha explains symbols found on weather maps.



Checking dew point are Louis Verkamp, Dennis Balbach, and Jim Lubbehusen.

Vital Life Functions Explored



Sue Goeperich follows diagram to find pressure point on Connie Kippenbrock's arm.



Nervous system finds its center in brain Miss Taylor points out.

Functions of the human mechanism and proper care of it are vital. Therefore health is one of the required courses for freshmen. All the important systems of life are studied including circulatory, glandular, and excretory systems.



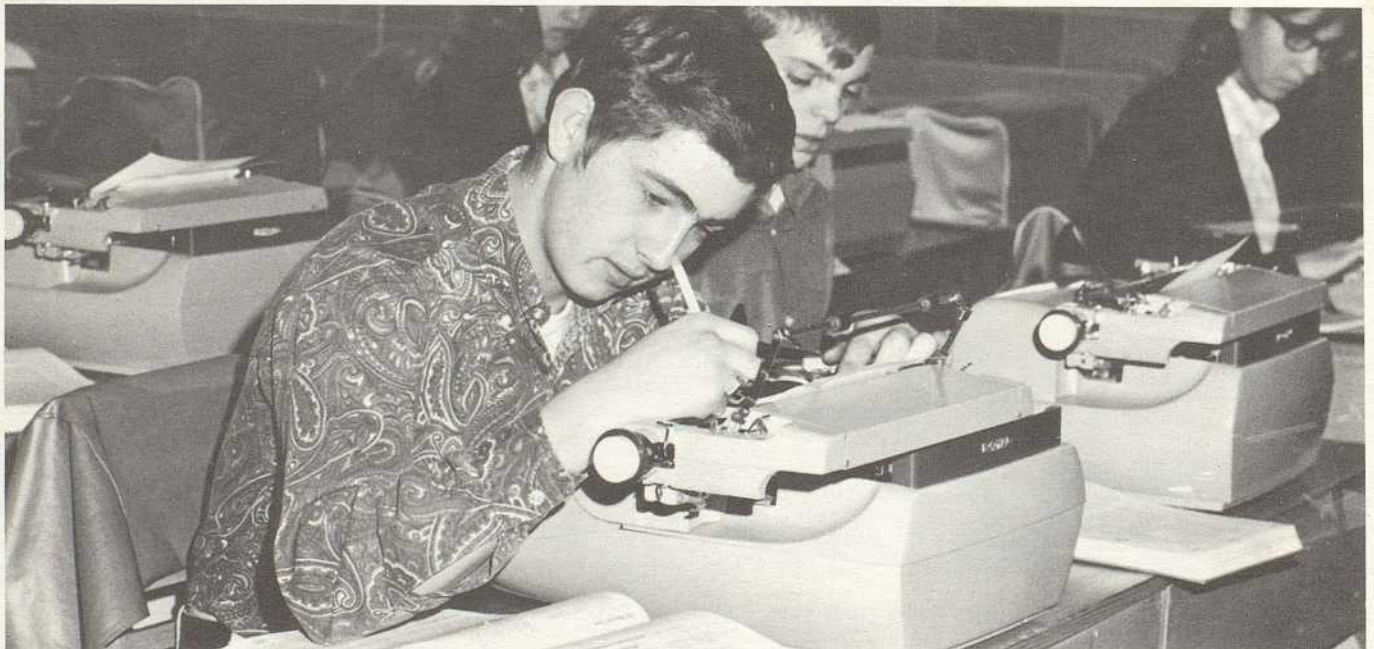
Terry Englert removes the imaginary water from Stan Hasenour's lungs.

Business Students Place First in Contest



Sister Mary Aquin explains the use of the ditto machine to Typing II students.

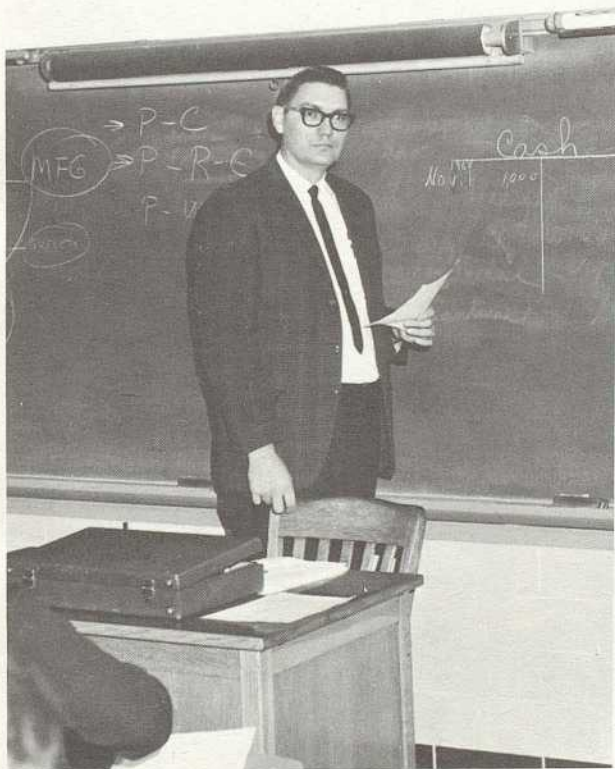
Ten business students participated in the Archdiocesan Business and Education Association Contest in Indianapolis. The student's total points won the trophy for our school. The individual contestants received medals, ribbons, and certificates. Included in the business curriculum is business math, business law, bookkeeping, economics, Shorthand I and II, Typing I and II.



Gary Oser displays practical knowledge gained in Typing I.



Students proudly add trophy won in the Archdiocesan Business and Education Association Contest to trophy case.



Mr. Olinger, instructor of sociology, economics, business law, and bookkeeping, explains ledger entries.



Sister Mary Carmen explains shorthand forms.

Creativity Released in Clay, Oils, and Paint



Creativity is encouraged and developed by art students and their instructor Sister Mary Alice. Students participated in various contests. One of Sharon Mehling's original sketches was selected for publication in the semi-annual ANTHOLOGY OF HIGH SCHOOL ART. Students also put many hours of inspired time and labor into the production of the *LITTLE PRINCE*.

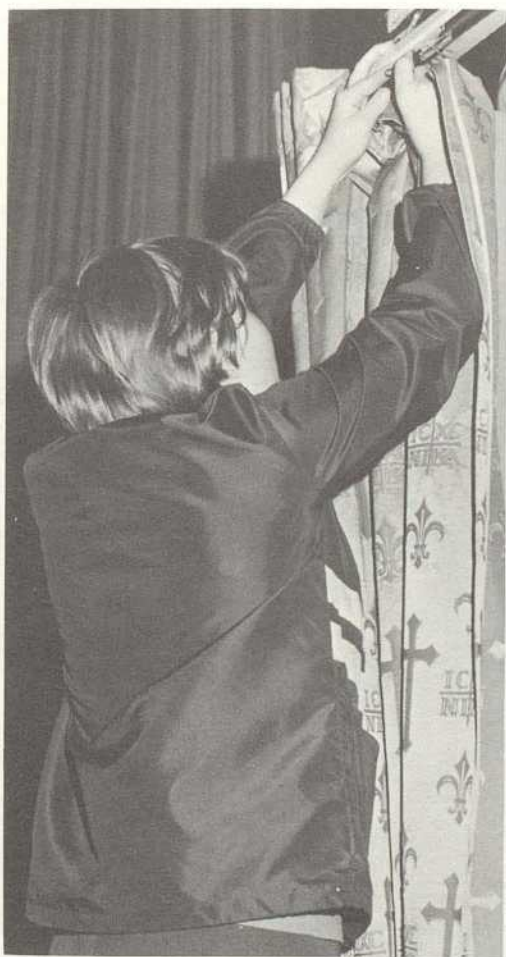
Diane Ebert, Eileen Luebbehusen, and Sharon Mehling try their artistic skills in molding clay.



Students learn figure drawing as well as still life production.



Debbie Klem works with oils as Phil Lindauer draws a poppy poster.



Laura Luebbehusen curtains LITTLE PRINCE stage.

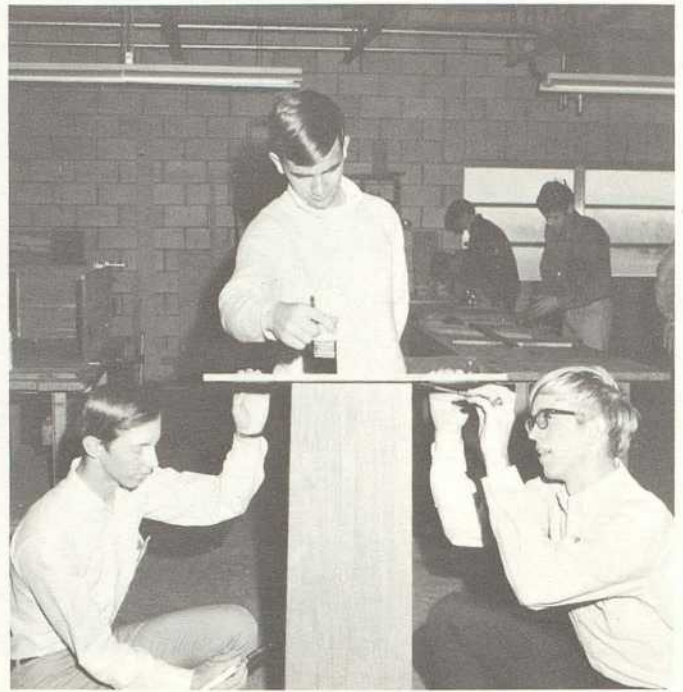


Sister Mary Alice places pieces of ceramic design in the kiln for firing.

Students Display Useful Skills



Paul Niehaus constructs intricate designs as Mr. Tyring observes.



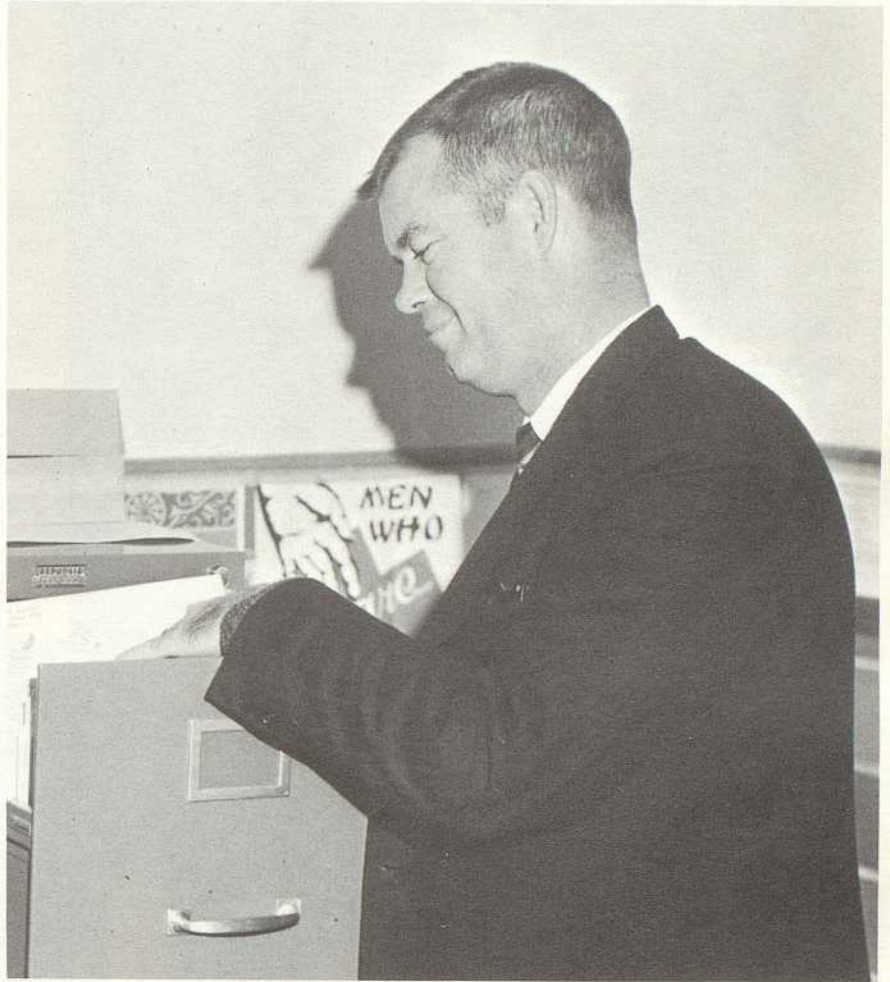
Dennis Weyer, John Wendholt, and Steve Weyer work industriously on one of the podia made for the school by the woodworking class.



Mr. Tyring examines the achievements of his woodworking class as Bob Demuth and Steve Weyer add finishing touches.

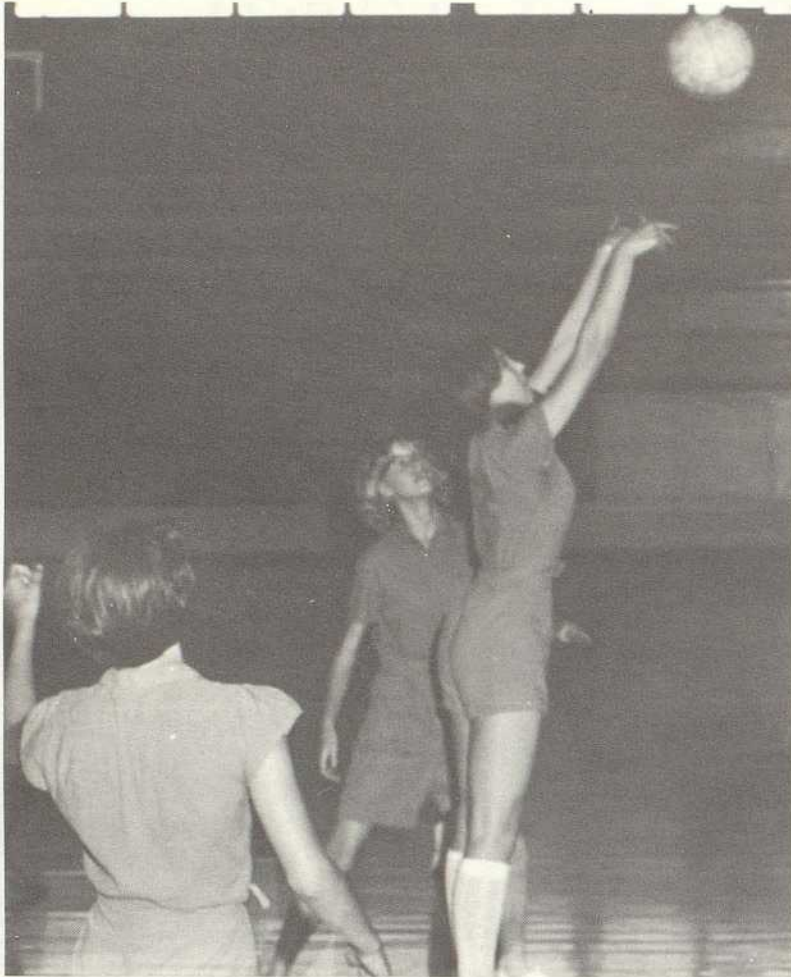
Librarian and Counselor Aide Students

Mr. Charles Wilder, guidance counselor at Ferdinand High, aids both college-bound and job-seeking students in their academic choices.



Ferdinand High Library progresses under the influence of Sister Mary Boniface. Through Sister's connections with other area libraries, current publications circulate more smoothly.

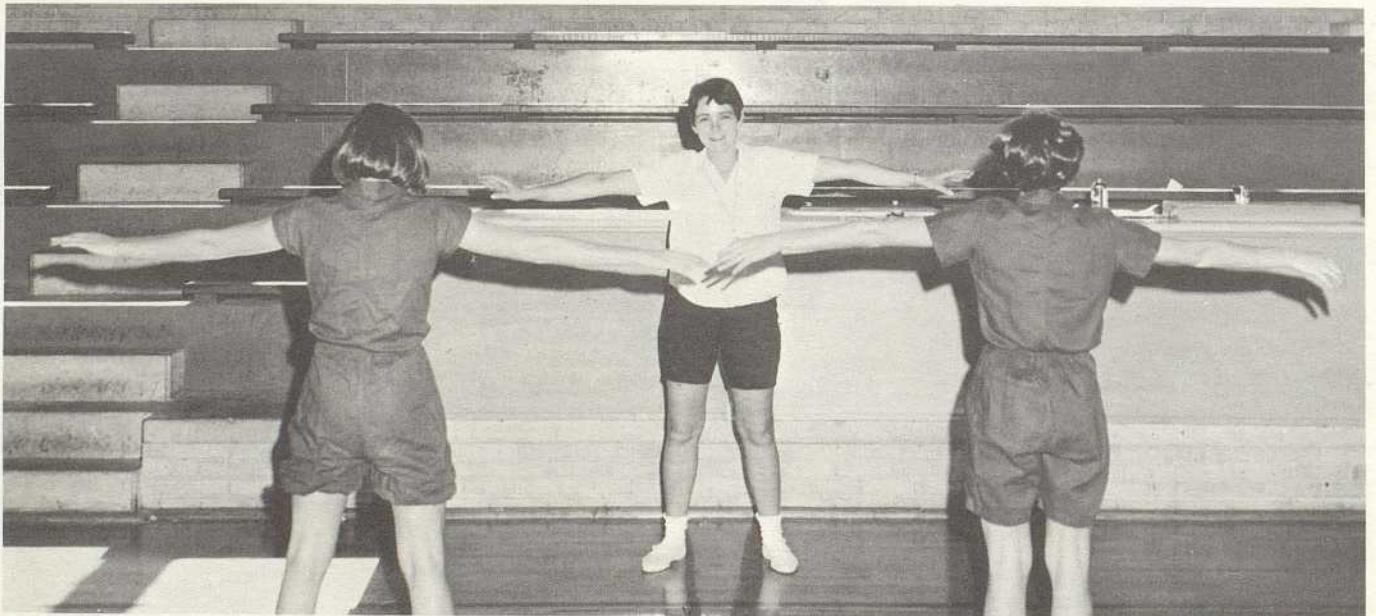
Physical Education



Mary Schreiner rises high to volley the ball to the other side.



Lorna Bettag and Jane Fleck touch their toes as Anne Fleck attempts to reach hers.



Girls' P.E. instructor, Miss Taylor, demonstrates exercises for the girls.

Proves Valuable for Underclassmen

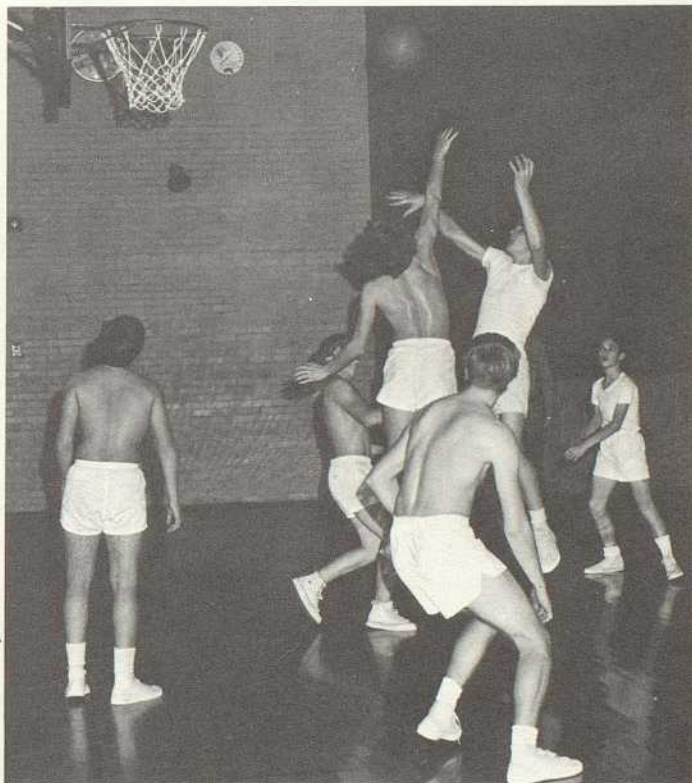
Miss Carol Taylor and Coach Larry Klein share the responsibilities of physical education. Freshman and sophomore students become physically fit under their directions. Calisthenics as well as games are practiced.



Larry Weyer swings hard only to find the whiffleball does not fly far.



P.E. instructor, Larry Klein, functions as pitcher for both teams.



Dave Bromm blocks Tom Brames's shot in an exciting game of basketball.

Band, Glee Club Promote Spirit



Mr. Matthews raises his baton for attention.

Besides participating in the school's musical productions, this enthusiastic group of students took part in area parades and provided entertainment between games on basketball nights.



1968-69 band officers, Gary Wendholt, Martha Kemper, Donna Gelhausen, and Hubert Goepferich relax between sessions.



Much practice from these enthusiasts lead to an excellent season of entertainment.



Glee club members prepare for production of THE LITTLE PRINCE.

Ferdinand High Concert Choir contributed the vocal portions of the winter and spring musical productions. All choral work is voluntary. The freshmen vocalists combined talent at the University of Evansville to bring home a blue ribbon from the annual contest. During the winter, the music department moved into its new location. The new department has space for an office, storage of instruments, and for combined band and chorus practice.



Sr. Maureen, chorus directress, gives last minute instructions.



Future homemakers not only spend time learning theories, they also put them to work serving others. During the past year, Home Ec students prepared cookies and punch for visiting entertainment groups of neighboring high schools. They also provided a delicious lunch for the faculty luncheon. Third year students also prepared a complete meal for their mothers on Mother-Daughter Night.

Judy Meyer and Eileen Olinger mix cookie dough.



Decorative salads and desserts always add zest to any meal as these beginning homemakers learn.

Baking, Cooking, Sewing Reduce Expenses

Not only do the homemakers learn to cook, they also visit the bakery at the convent, which is not far from the school. Here they witness mass production of rolls, bread, and pies.

In the course of the year, wardrobes are also increased by these industrious students.



Watching mass production of baked goods is a new experience for many students.

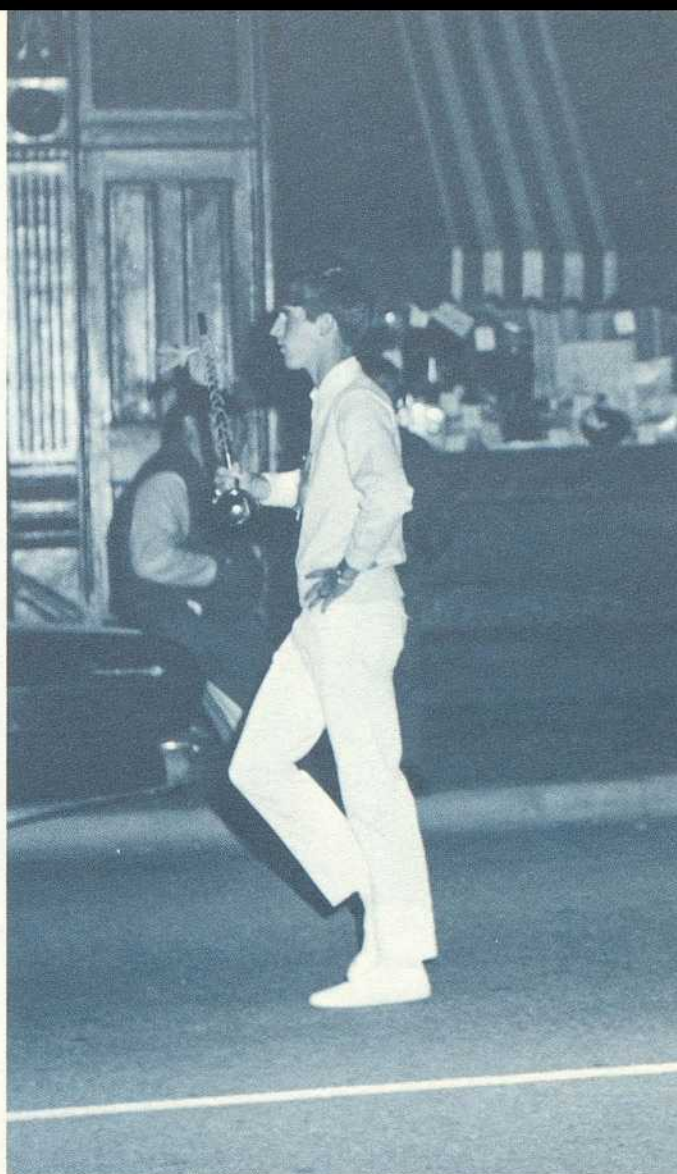


Sister Josepha shows Diane how to guide the material through the machine.

Reflections of the Leaders of Tomorrow



Organizations



Leadership Responsibility Displayed

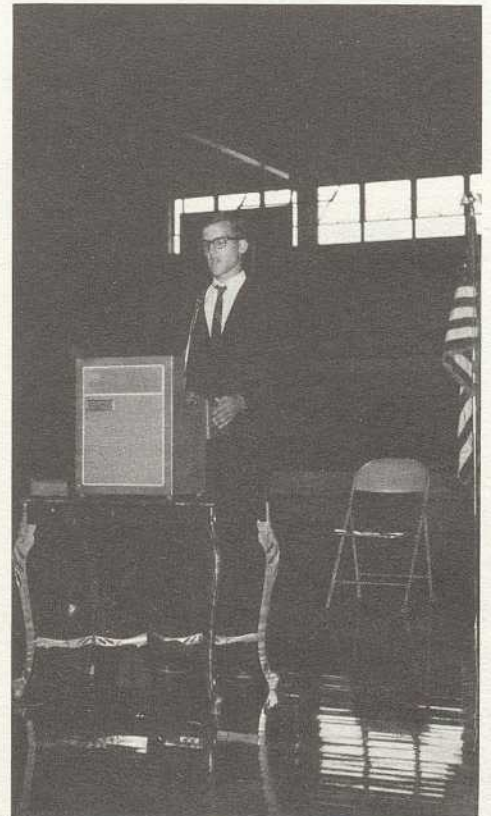


Student Council Officers: President Dennis Verkamp, Vice-President Debbie Lueken, Secretary Kathy Kippenbrock, Treasurer Gary Wendholt.

Student Council members have shown outstanding leadership in school and community affairs. Students have aided the administration in monitoring the hall. Social activities such as the Halloween party and Holiday Ball were sponsored by these students. Enthusiasm was stirred by the Student Council for the Civic Center in town. On May 14, the Council presented Sister Mary Carmen, Principal, a check for one hundred dollars toward the purchase of new drop curtains on the stage.



The Student Council has "paved the way" for numerous school and civic activities, as their civic center float demonstrates.



Dennis Verkamp, as President of the Student Council, addresses the student body.



Mistletoe and the "Lavender Hill Mob" set the mood for the first Holiday Ball.



Phil Lindauer, Ken Buechler, and Tom Fleck mark their ballots electing the new officers.



Costumes ranging from "ugly" to "beautiful" and haunting decorations are on the scene for the "Trick or Treat" festivity.



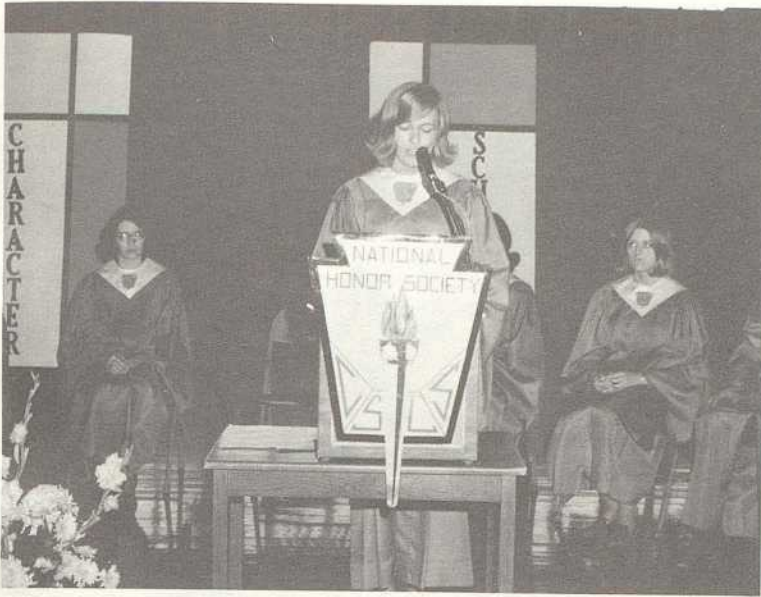
Leadership for the 1968-1969 National Honor Society: President Dennis Verkamp; Vice-Pres. Judy Steltenpohl; Secretary Martha Kemper; and Treasurer Ginny Potter.

The Ferdinand Chapter of the National Honor Society held its third induction ceremony during ECA on March 20. Pres. Verkamp served as Master of Ceremonies. Dolores Schnieders explained the keystone and colors of the NHS. The four characteristics, Leadership, Character, Scholarship, and Service were described by Judy Steltenpohl, Phyllis Buechler, Charlotte Lueken, and Martha Kemper, respectively. Sr. Mary Carmen delivered an invocation and administered the NHS pledge.



National Honor Society members, Judy Steltenpohl, Phyllis Buechler, Martha Kemper, Lori Schnieders, and Ginny Potter, draw the lucky winner of a St. Bernard dog. Proceeds from the raffle went to the Guatemala missions.

NHS Sponsors Annual Activities



Leadership, as a prerequisite for induction, is explained by Judy Steltenpohl.



Ginny Potter observes as new member Debbie Werne lights her candle from the torch of knowledge.



New members of the National Honor Society pledge to live by the standards expected of them.

Library Club Keeps History of School



Library Club Officers: Vice-President Martha Kemper, Secretary Becky Fischer, President Nancy Olinger, Treasurer Karen Lindaur enjoy reflections of past school years.



A.I.C. students browse at Book Fair.

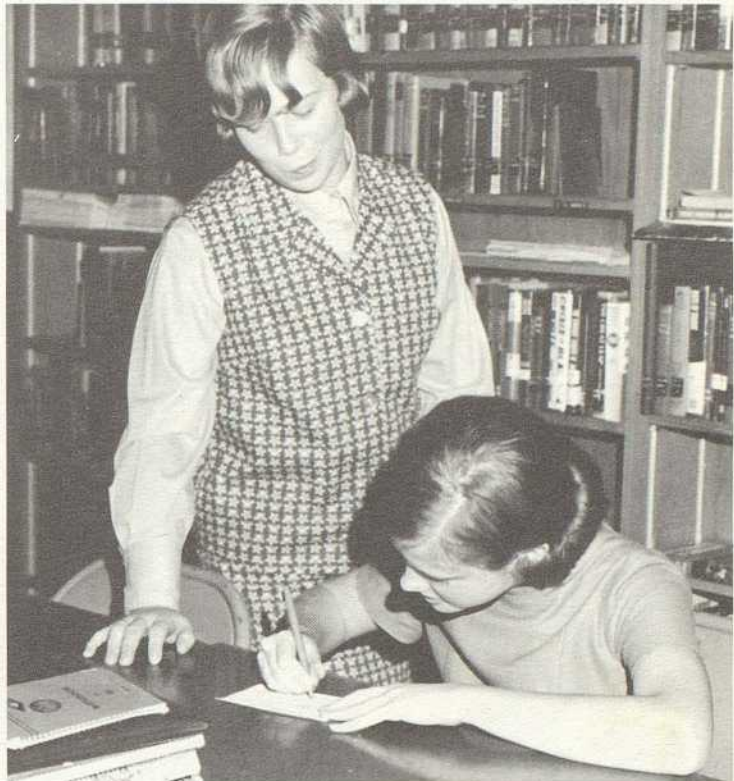


Ronnie Berg, Brenda Barth, and Mary Schriener convert publications into a Book Fair.

Aids Librarian



Reporter Ginny Potter and Historian Debbie Lueken gather materials for school history.



Library Club members, Eileen Olinger signs Susie Wollenmann's hall pass.



Present officers conduct elections of '69-'70 Library Club officers.

The Library Club is one of the most active of the school clubs. Debbie Lueken and Ginny Potter have both held state offices in the HSLA. The club is responsible for the school history. They also work in the library during study halls signing passes for Sister Mary Boniface, Club sponsor.

Lance Informs FHS of School Happenings



LANCE reporters, headline writers, and proofreaders are hard at work to meet deadline dates for a new edition.

The LANCE staff, under the supervision of Sister Mary Beth, keeps the student body informed and up-to-date on current happenings. All work on the school paper is done on a volunteer basis by interested and willing students. One issue is published each month using important news copy and interesting stories submitted by students. Editor Phyllis Buechler, and Co-editor Vernita Shipp, are in charge of layout and proofreading copy before and after it is taken to the Ferdinand News for final printing.



Phyllis Buechler, editor, and Vernita Schipp, co-editor, proofread LANCE copy before sending it on to the printer.



Phyllis Buechler works diligently figuring out an attractive layout for the school paper, the LANCE.



Sr. Mary Beth supervises school publications.

Crusader Staff Prepares Account of



Photographer Debbie Werne poses as Co-photographer Paul Greenwell snaps her picture.



Typing copy is one of the many jobs Kathy Berg and the rest of the staff perform in compiling the yearbook.

1969 School Year

The '69 CRUSADER staff, composed only of seniors, held regular meetings throughout the school year in order to compile this year's yearbook. Many hours were spent drawing layouts on mats, writing copy, and preparing and checking final drafts. Also important to the accomplishment of this task was the selling of ads and of yearbooks. By working overtime, the staff was able to meet its final deadline.



Editor Lori Schnieders and Co-editor Judy Steltenpohl search the yearbook files for materials needed for a meeting.



Debbie Lueken, Debbie Werne, Nancy Olinger, and Charlotte Lueken look over material for a double-page spread.



The FHS Cheerleaders have led the cheering block in hearty yells to back the Crusaders during the exciting year of 1968-1969. The cheerleaders have boosted spirit and helped maintain good sportsmanship through their untiring efforts.

"Fight, Crusaders, Fight!" is the battle cry of the dynamic cheerleaders.

Yell Leaders Boost School Spirit



Varsity Cheerleaders 1968-1969, Judy Steltenpohl, Charlotte Lueken, Debbie Werne, Donna Gelhausen, and Yvonne Spayd smile with memories of a great season.



"Spanish Flea" was one of the many routines of the Drill Team.

Marching Formation Adds Variety

The FHS Drill Team for the '68-69 season was under the direction of Captain Ginny Potter and Co-captain Kathy Berg. Other members of the squad were Linda Lueken, Mary Gerber, Virginia Rahman, Janice Luebbehusen, Debbie Lueken, Phyllis Buechler, Norma Meyer, Phyllis Klem, Margie Weyer, Darla Werne, Carol Oeding, and Ruth Schneiders.

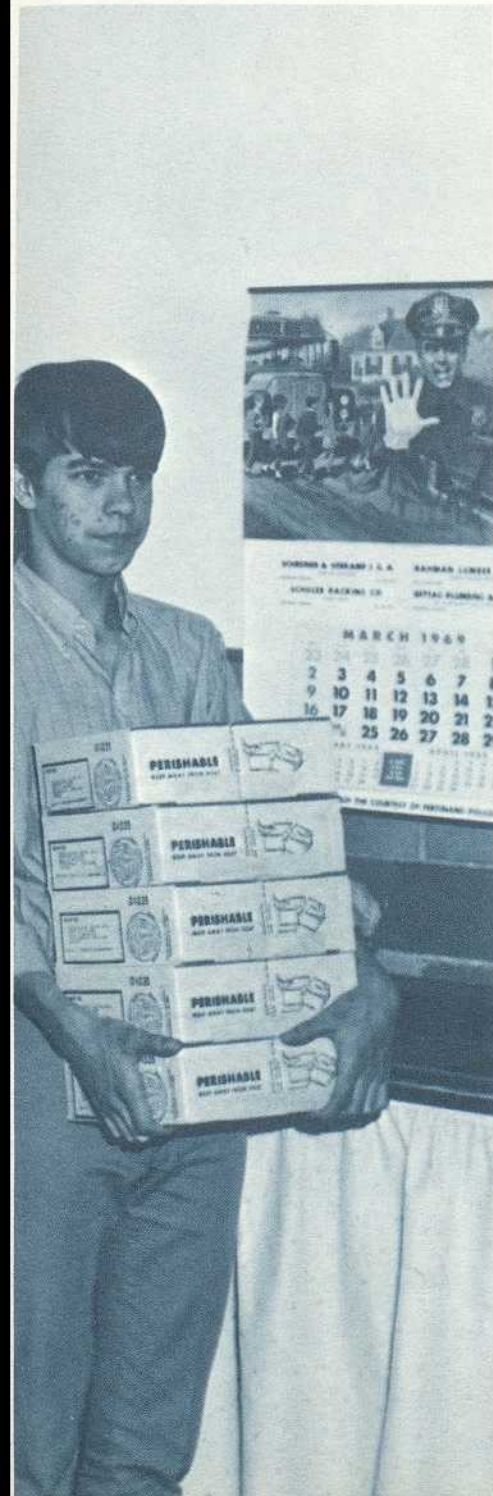
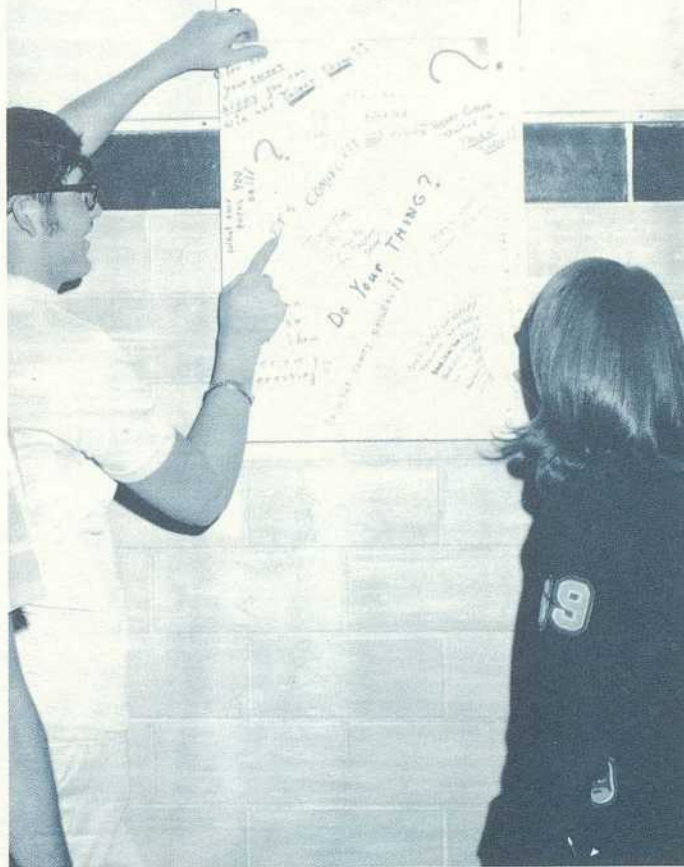


Rhythm is necessary for accurate movements, as shown by Virginia Rahman and Ruth Schneiders.

Reflections of the Spirit of Youth



Activities





Right: Anna Fleck "Rings Those Christmas Bells" as she dances across the stage. Above: "For Unto Us a Child Is Born" from Handel's MESSIAH is sung by a select group of chorus members represented here by Connie Bolte, Darla Werne and Donna Hancock. Below: "The Merry Christmas Polka" is enjoyed by a group of young German Mädchen.





"Granny," portrayed by Gayla Gehlhausen reminisces over "the good old days" with her "granddaughter," Kanda Gehlhausen.

Reminisces of Christmas Past

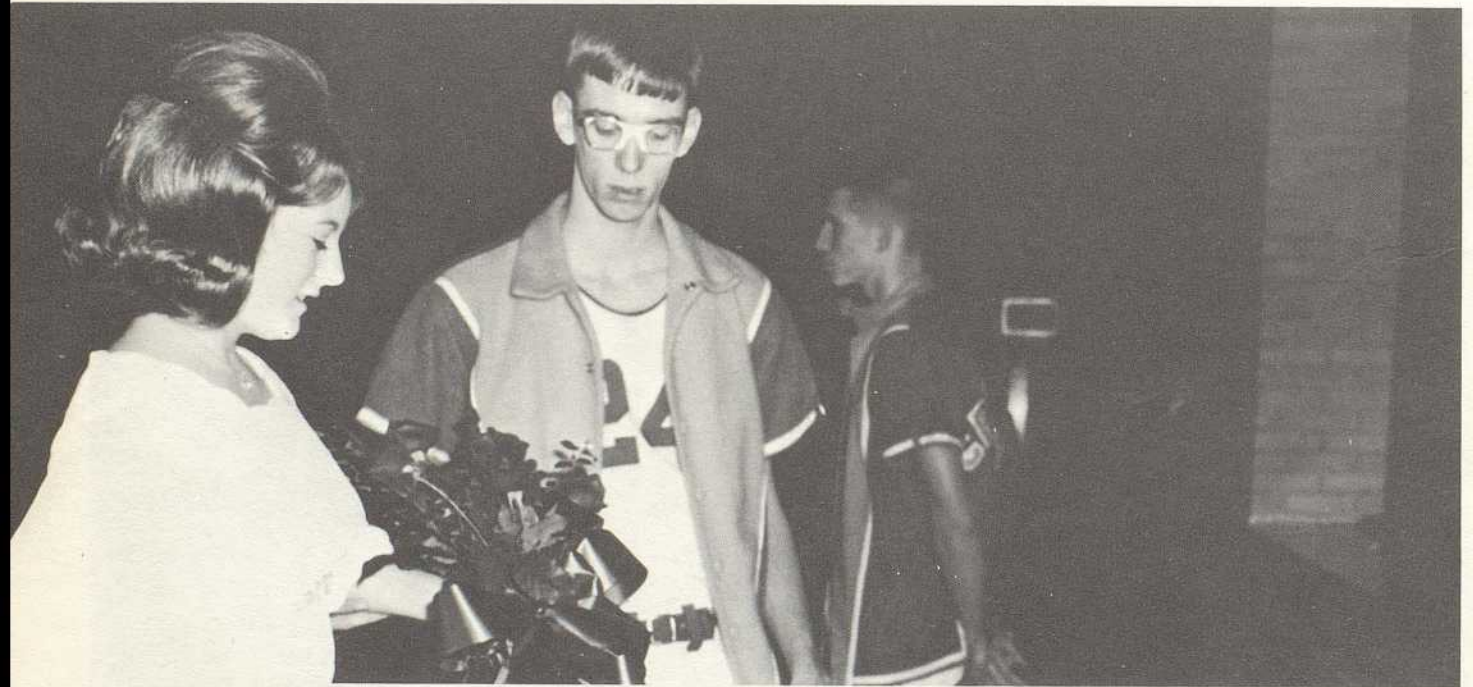
"A Christmas Album" was presented under the direction of Sister Maureen and Mr. Steven Matthews. Chorus and band talent combined to portray the beauty of the Christmas season. The more profound spirit of Christmas was instilled with such selections as "Christmastide Overture", "Come Follow the Star", and "Drummer Boy". These were balanced by such selections as "Santa's Holiday", "Jingle Bell Rhapsody", "Toyland", and "Winter Wonderland." The combined talent concluded the program with "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."





Paul Niehaus helps Debbie Lueken up to the stage.

Reflections of Royalty



1968-69 Basketball Court: Kathy Buechler, Martha Kemper, Marilyn Kluemper, Judy Steltenpohl, Queen Debbie Lueken, Debbie Werne, Ruth Dilger, Virginia Rahman, Donna Gehlhausen, and Karen Leinenbach.



Miss Debbie Lueken reigned as 1968-69 basketball queen during the Ferdinand-Tecumseh game, February 25, 1969. Senior varsity member Paul Niehaus crowned her queen amid a setting of Winter Essence.



Misty Moonlight Setting for Junior Senior Prom



Virginia Rahman and Jim Freyberger silhouette prom theme.

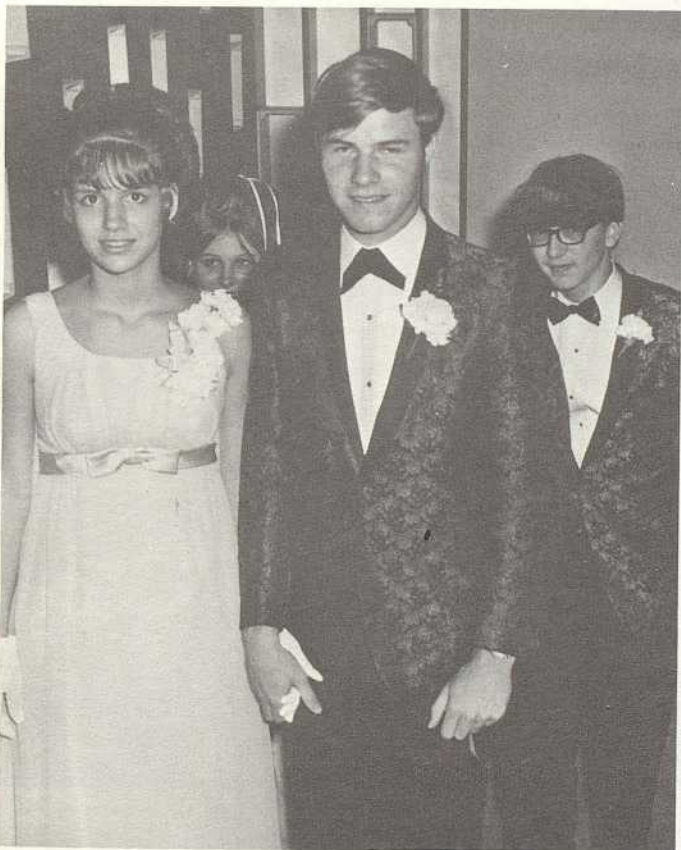
Juniors and seniors spent the prom evening "In the Misty Moonlight." The annual affair sponsored by the juniors took place in the ballroom of the American Legion Home. The setting included a bridge spanning a small rivulet, the silhouette shown at the left, and a small silver moon hung from the ceiling. The juniors elected and crowned Dennis Verkamp and Karen Leinenbach as King and Queen of the '69 prom.



The Company Front provided dance rhythms.



Terry Burger, Roxanne Denton, Tom Weyer, and John Hedinger relax during prom.



Dave Seng and Terry Burger escort their dates Sandy and Roxanne Denton through the inviting prom entrance.



Dennis Verkamp and Karen Leinenbach reign as King and Queen of the '69 prom.

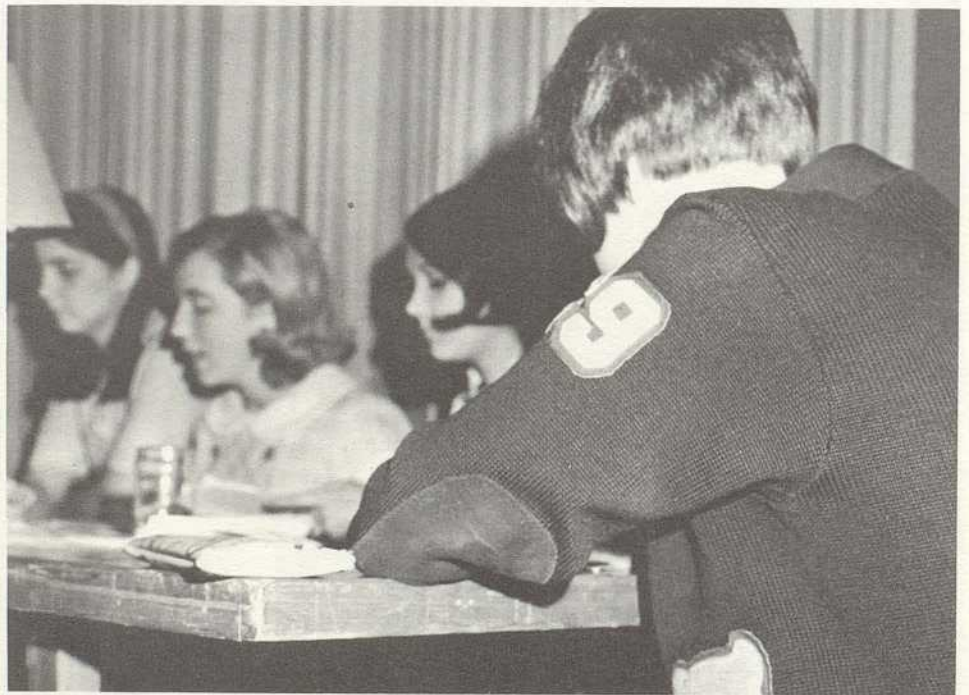
Music, Art Students Produce *LITTLE*



Kristy Fritz, supported by the chorus, sings Tony's solo.



Little Prince questions Tony concerning lambs.



Senior art students Darlene Fischer, Becky Fischer, Karen Lindauer, and Donna Helming read the puppet parts.

PRINCE

Antoine St. Exupery's THE LITTLE PRINCE was presented through the combined efforts of the art and music departments. The stage frame was built by the wood-working students under the supervision of Mr. Tyring. This frame was painted and ornamented by the art students. Art students also made the puppets and their costumes.



Little Prince encounters Fox.



King proclaims absolute rule.



Mary Schreiner manipulates Businessman.

Students Merit Awards at Honor Assembly



The 1969 Honor Assembly was held on May 14, 1969, in the high school gymnasium. Students received awards in recognition of scholastic achievement, outstanding service, and resourceful leadership. The assembly capped the activities of the student body for the school year. Dennis Verkamp and Phyllis Buechler were awarded for rating scholastically first and second, respectively, in their class. Service and Leadership awards were presented to Debbie Lueken, Ginny Potter and Dennis Verkamp.

Sister Mary Carmen hands Charlotte Lueken medals for Social Studies and Typing II achievement.



Gary Wendholt merits Industrial Arts award.



Vernita Schipp accepts award for being on the honor roll throughout her high school years.



Sixty-nine students received recognition for outstanding achievement at the 1969 honor assembly.

Seniors Officially



Valedictorian Dennis Verkamp urges graduates to become actively involved in world problems.



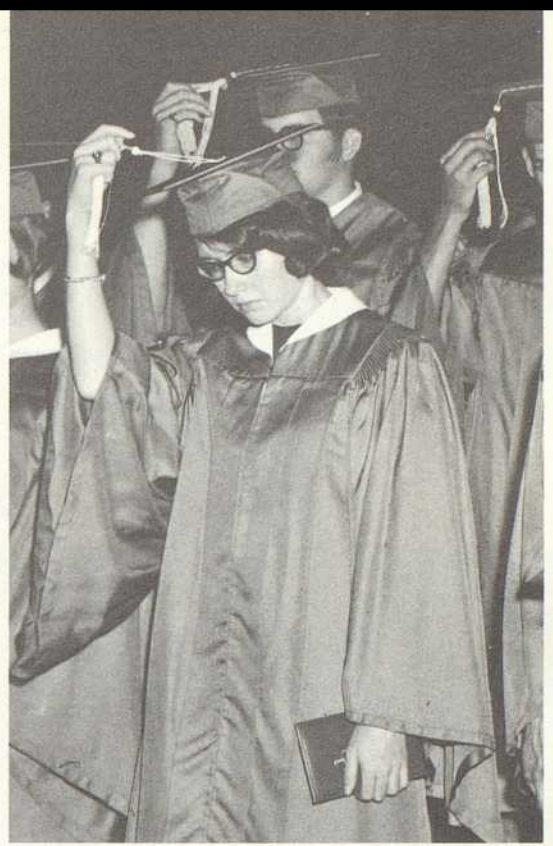
Phyllis Buechler expresses the gratitude of the Class of 1969 to their parents and teachers in the Salutatory address.



Mr. Emil Olinger introduces guest speaker Doctor James Morlock, who pointed out the need for awareness to the graduates.

Pronounced Graduates

On May 18, 1969, seventy seniors entered the Ferdinand High School gymnasium for the last time as members of the student body for commencement exercises. Mr. Earl Buechler, superintendent of the Southeast Dubois County School District, distributed the diplomas to the graduates. The valedictory address was given by Dennis Verkamp, and Phyllis Buechler served as salutatorian. The guest speaker was Doctor James Morlock of the University of Evansville who gave a speech entitled, "Watchman, What of the Night?"

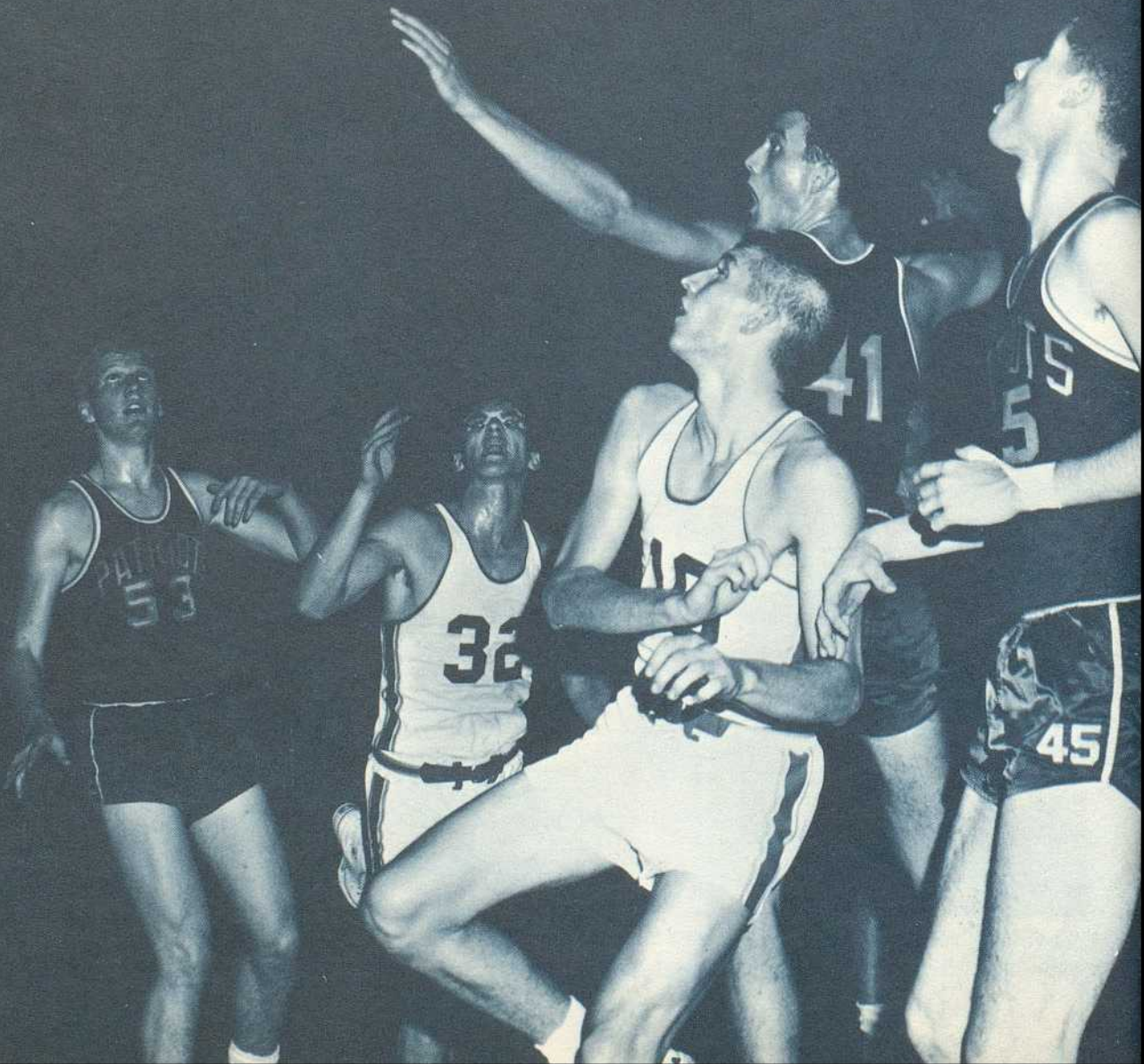


Phyllis Buechler solemnly moves her tassel to the right as Sister Mary Carmen, Principal, officially pronounces the seniors graduates.

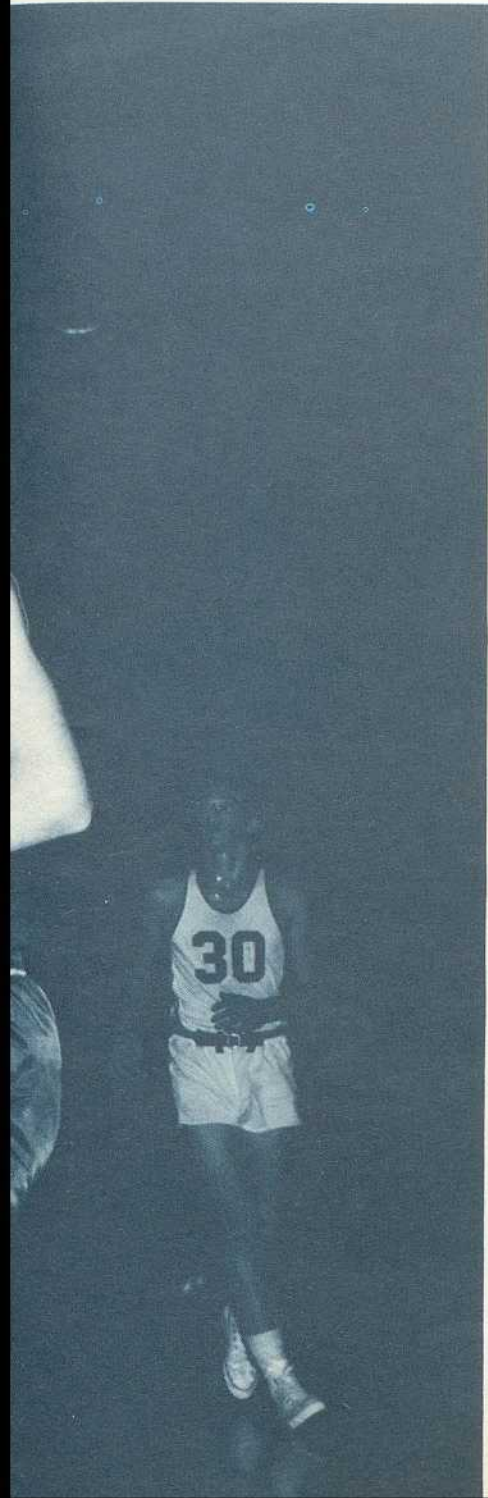


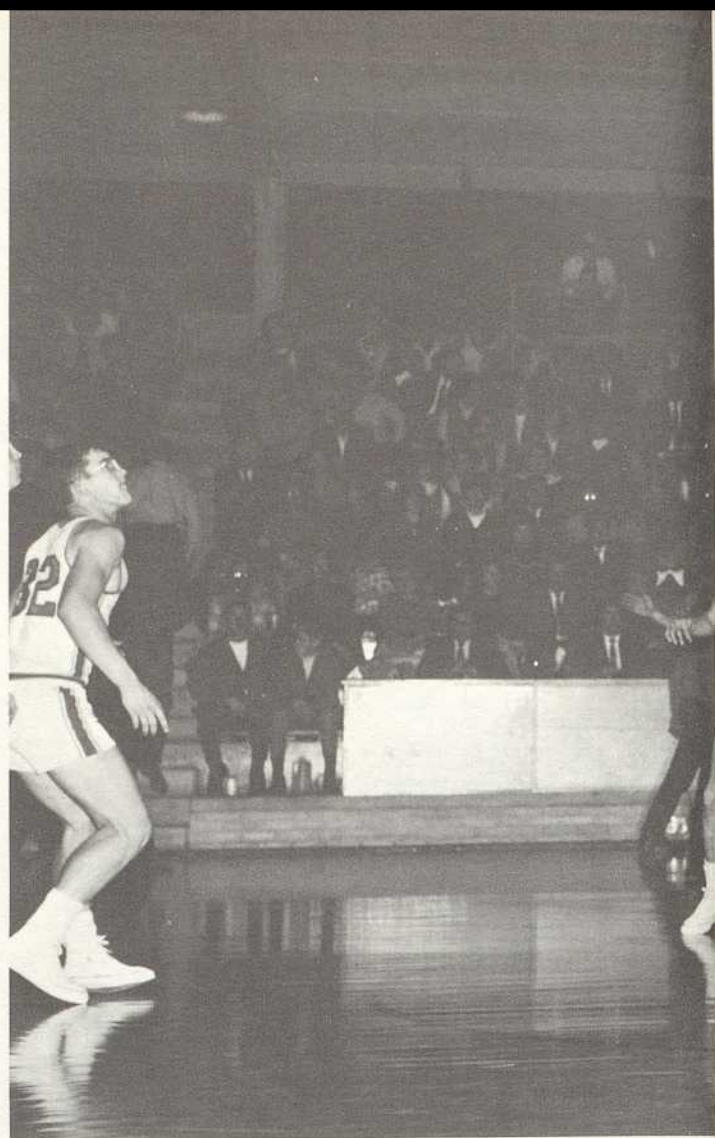
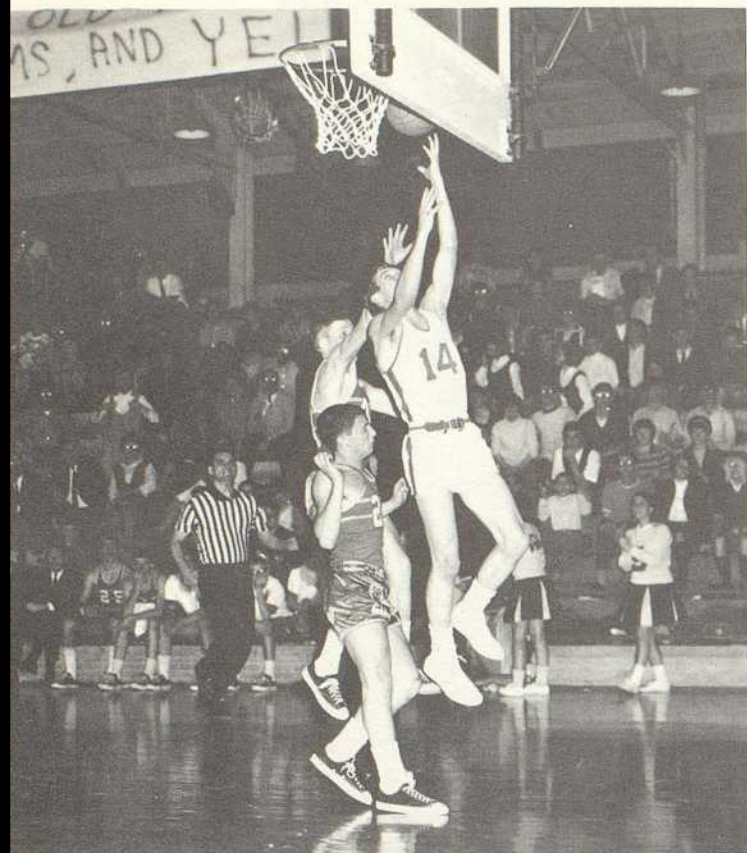
Kathy Berg accepts her diploma and congratulations from Mr. Earl Buechler.

Reflections of a Will to Victory



Sports

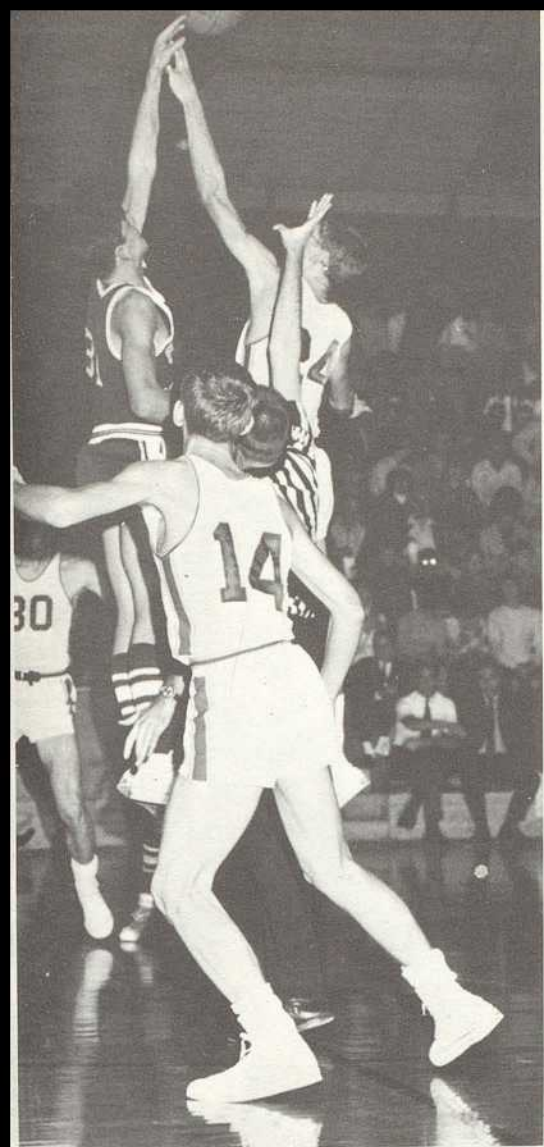




Top: Tom Weyer fires up the Blue with two more points for the Crusaders. Right: Paul Niehaus reaches high in an attempt to tip the ball to a teammate. Bottom: Surrounded by Dubois players, Stan Ruhe takes a shot from the side.

Blue and Gold Fires Up Season





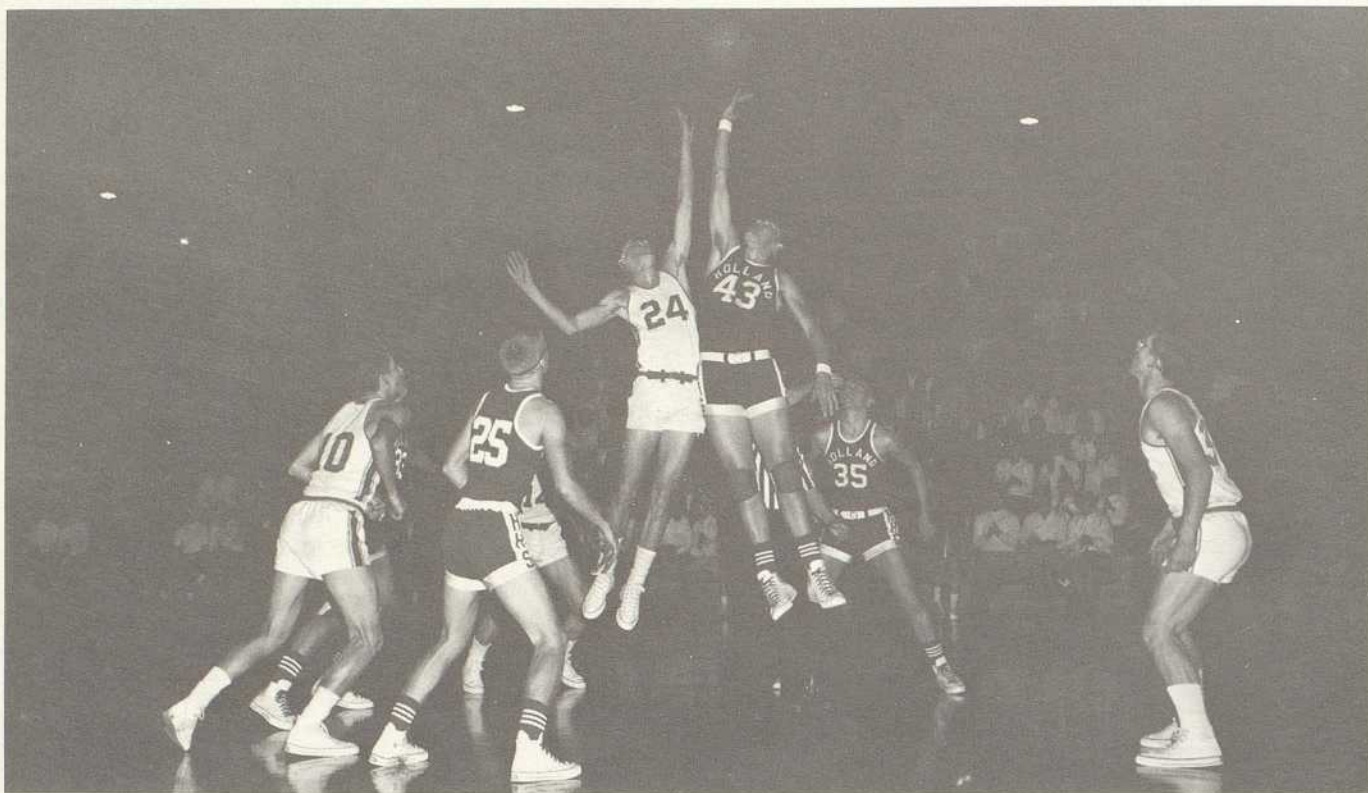
The 1968-'69 basketball season proved to be a worthwhile one for the Crusaders as they earned a 16-5 record. The team gave the Ferdinand fans many exciting victories during the year. True sportsmanship was displayed by every member of the team. The art of basketball was seen at its peak through the efforts of the 1968-69 Ferdinand Crusaders.

VARSITY BASKETBALL

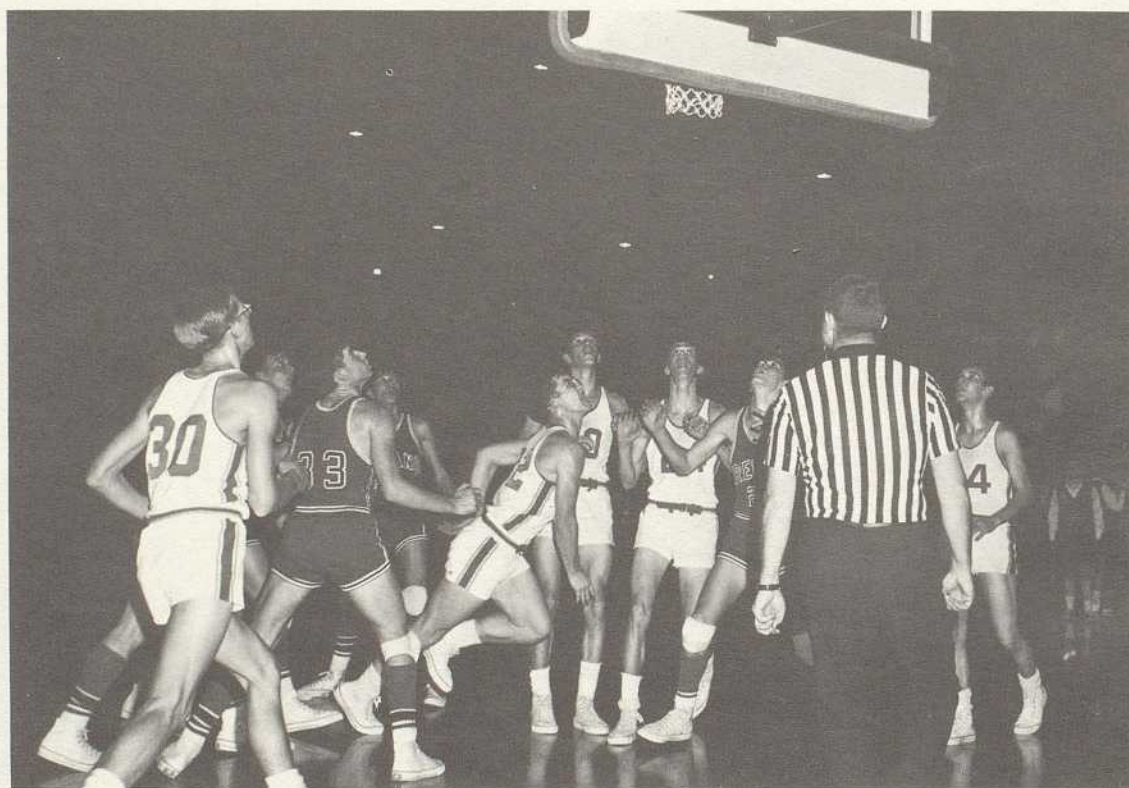
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FHS 91	Leavenworth 67	FHS 79	Ireland 45
FHS 55	Holland 60	FHS 78	Cannelton 45
FHS 104	Dale 42	FHS 78	Tecumseh 64
FHS 66	Rex Mundi 60	FHS 47	Barr Reeve 54
FHS 61	Tell City 38	FHS 73	Washington Cath. 62
FHS 73	Vincennes Cath. 52	FHS 69	Winslow 68
FHS 78	Holland 67	FHS 58	Chrisney 81
FHS 56	Ireland 53	FHS 59	St. John's 62
FHS 80	Mater Dei 79	FHS 66	Holland 88
FHS 66	Perry Central 63		



1968-69 Crusaders—Row 1: Tom Brames, Ron Berg, Pat Lueken, Tom Weyer, Dan Schipp, Rick Muller, and Alan Weyer. Row 2: Asst. Coach Jim Hagedorn, Student Manager Dave Hoppenjans, Ed Gudorf, Dennis Verkamp, Paul Niehaus, Stan Ruhe, Chet Schuler, Student Manager John Wendholt, and Coach Larry Klein.

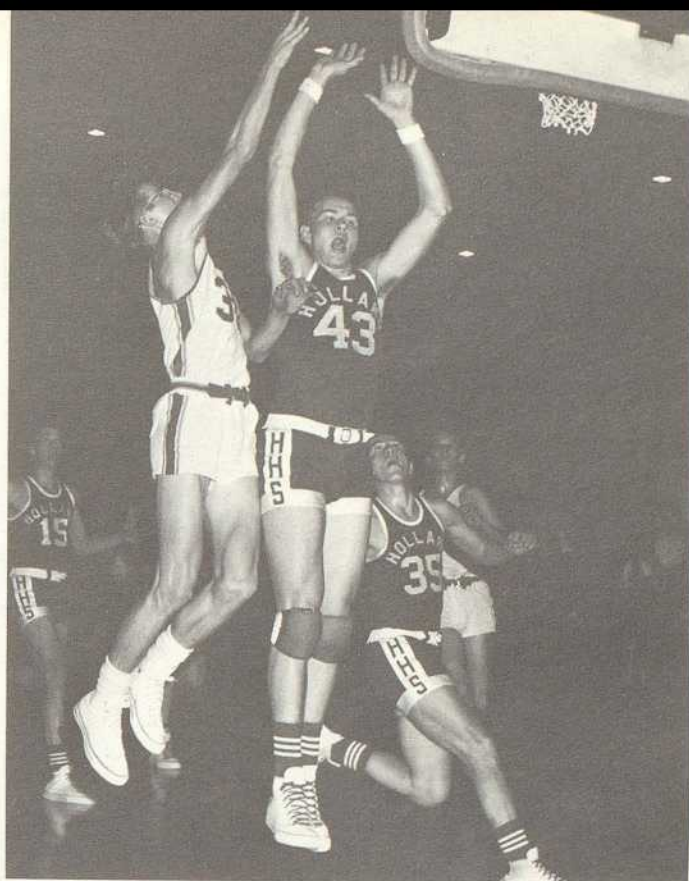


Paul Niehaus and Gary Dougan jump high as the Invitational Tourney officially opens.



Players anxiously await result of D. Verkamp's shot.

In the opening game of the Invitational Tourney held December 18th-19th at Huntingburg, the Ferdinand Crusaders downed the Holland Dutchmen by outscoring them 78 to 67. The Crusaders went on to take the Tourney by defeating the Ireland Spuds 56 to 53. This was the sixth time the Crusaders carried the trophy since the annual tourney began during the 1953-54 basketball season.

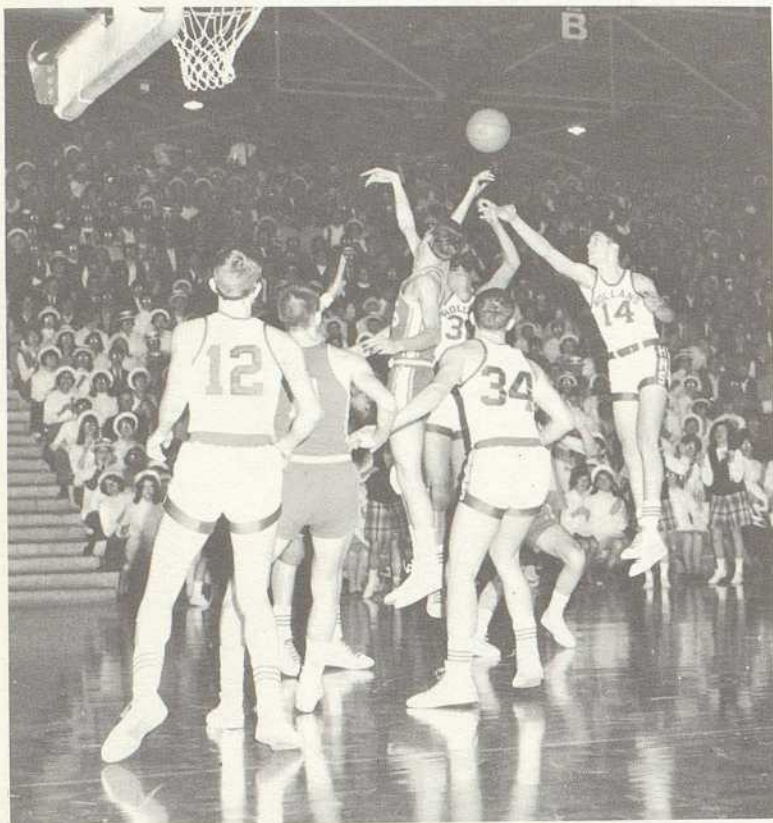


Ed Gudorf scores despite Gary Dougan.



Jubilant Crusaders proudly display trophy with great satisfaction.

Crusaders Attempt Victory



Senior guard Paul Niehaus fights for play against Dutchman Phil Meyer.



Stan Ruhe snatches rebound.

Holland finds defensive moves unsuccessful as Stan Ruhe chalks up another basket.



The 1968-69 Huntingburg Sectional was met by Ferdinand Crusaders and fans with high hopes and memories of an excellent season. Despite outstanding plays and sportsmanship, Larry Klein's Crusaders fell to the Holland Dutchmen, 66-88, in their first sectional meet. The Springs Valley Black Hawks took the sectional title with a twenty point victory over the Dutchmen.

B-Team Sets Pace

Basketball enthusiasts found that preliminary Junior Varsity games set the pace for an exciting season of basketball. The Chargers, coached by Mr. James Hagedorn, had a 12-6 winning streak for the season. Hopes for a good varsity next year were strengthened by the polish and sportsmanship displayed by the Chargers especially in their last games of the season.



Pat Lueken pumps one in for the Chargers!



The '68-'69 B-Team players are—Row 1: George Schipp, Ken Buechler, Ron Berg, Phil Lindauer, Alan Weyer, Tom Brames. Row 2: Coach Jim Hagedorn, Pat Lueken, Chet Schuler, Dan Schipp, Student Managers Lee Ray Temple and Ted Meyer.



Members of the 1968-1969 Freshmen basketball team are—Row 1: Tom Kippenbrock, John Potter, Steve Meyer, George Pauckner, Bill Fischer, Dave Schwinghamer, Eric Weyer. Row 2: Tom Lueken (student manager), Alvin Hoppenjans, Jerry Werne, Kevin Gerber, Larry Meyer, and Coach James Hagedorn.

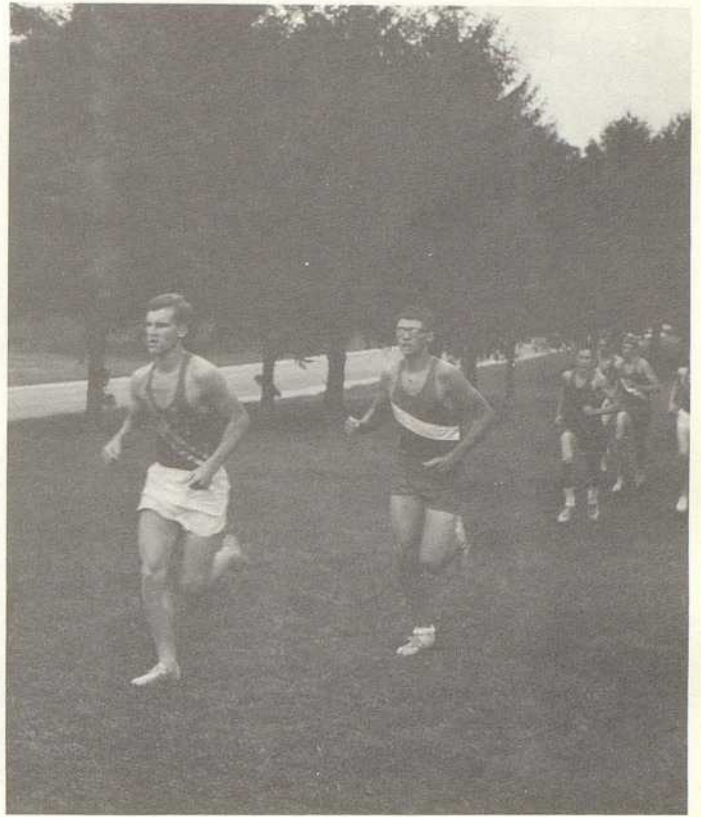
Frosh Prepare for Varsity Ball



Basketball takes hold of the freshmen as well as the upperclassmen. Mr. Jim Hagedorn, assistant varsity coach, drills the frosh at their workouts and guides them during their games. The frosh played fourteen games during the season, including a tourney at Holland. They championed six of their fourteen games.

The Freshmen Chargers flex muscles and stand alert to grab the tip-off.

Most Kleinmen are young men interested in a full year of sport activities. Cross Country helps the boys achieve the endurance needed for their other participative sports. After a grueling schedule of Cross Country meets these pacers move on to basketball and then for some, practice begins for the spring track meets. The Kleinmen paced ahead in two of their nine meets in the 1968-69 season.



Dennis Verkamp leads Kleinmen.



1968-69 Kleinmen—Row 1: Kenny Buechler, George Schipp, Pat Lueken, Coach Larry Klein. Row 2: Ron Berg, Tom Weyer. Row 3: John Wendholt and Dave Hoppenjans (student managers), Dennis Verkamp, Stan Ruhe, Paul Niehaus, Dan Schipp, and Ed Gudorf.

Young Track Team Shows Promising Performances



Cindermen '69—Row 1: Dave Bromm, Pat Lueken, Larry Rasche, Kenny Buechler, Jerome Durcholz, Alvin Hoppenjans. Row 2: John Wendholt, Student Manager, Joe Vaal, Dave Gehl, George Schipp, Rick Wendholt, Gary Fritz, George Pauckner, LeRay Tempel, Student Manager. Row 3: Ted Meyer, Dan Schipp, Bill Hancock, Mike Daunhauer, Larry Meyer.



Mike Daunhauer races over the high hurdles.

Coach Klein's cindermen considered this track season a warm-up for the future. Two of the team members were seniors and only three were juniors. Even with this inexperience the cindermen placed sixth in the PVC meet at Jasper.



Ted Meyer gathers energy before releasing the shot-put.

Players Predict Winning Season



Tom Lueken swings hard as Coach Hagedorn encourages Ed Gudorf to score.



Dave Bromm soars another strike over the plate, while Ed Gudorf awaits some action.

The first game of the Season pitched by Stan Ruhe was a no-hitter. Dave Bromm also showed much promise as a pitcher. The team worked well together, promising a winning season. At the time of printing, the team had a 2-1 record.



'69 Baseball Team—Kneeling: John Potter, Tom Lueken, Steve Meyer, Dennis Balbach, Tom Kippenbrock, George Schipp. Standing: Coach Hagedorn, Rick Muller, Dave Bromm, Ed Gudorf, Stan Ruhe, Pat Lueken, Chet Schuler.



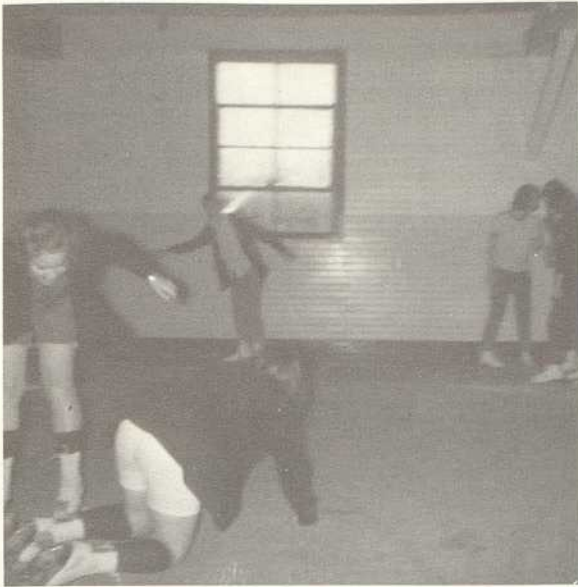
GAA Officers: President Debbie Werne, Vice-President Judy Steltenpohl, Secretary Nancy Olinger, Treasurer Margie Weyer.

GAA Sponsors Athletic Events for Girls



Sharon Lueken leads the pack at the roller rink at Tell City.

The GAA again provided ample opportunity for athletic-minded girls to participate in sports. Several times the girls traveled to Tell City for roller skating. Ice skating was enjoyed at Oakland City. The girls were taught the proper techniques of bowling and were given a chance to display them at Huntingburg. In addition, the organization sponsored a Play Day at Ferdinand High School and also volunteered many posters at Sectional time which helped to boost team spirit.



Many bruises and scrapes were incurred when the girls traveled to Tell City for roller skating.

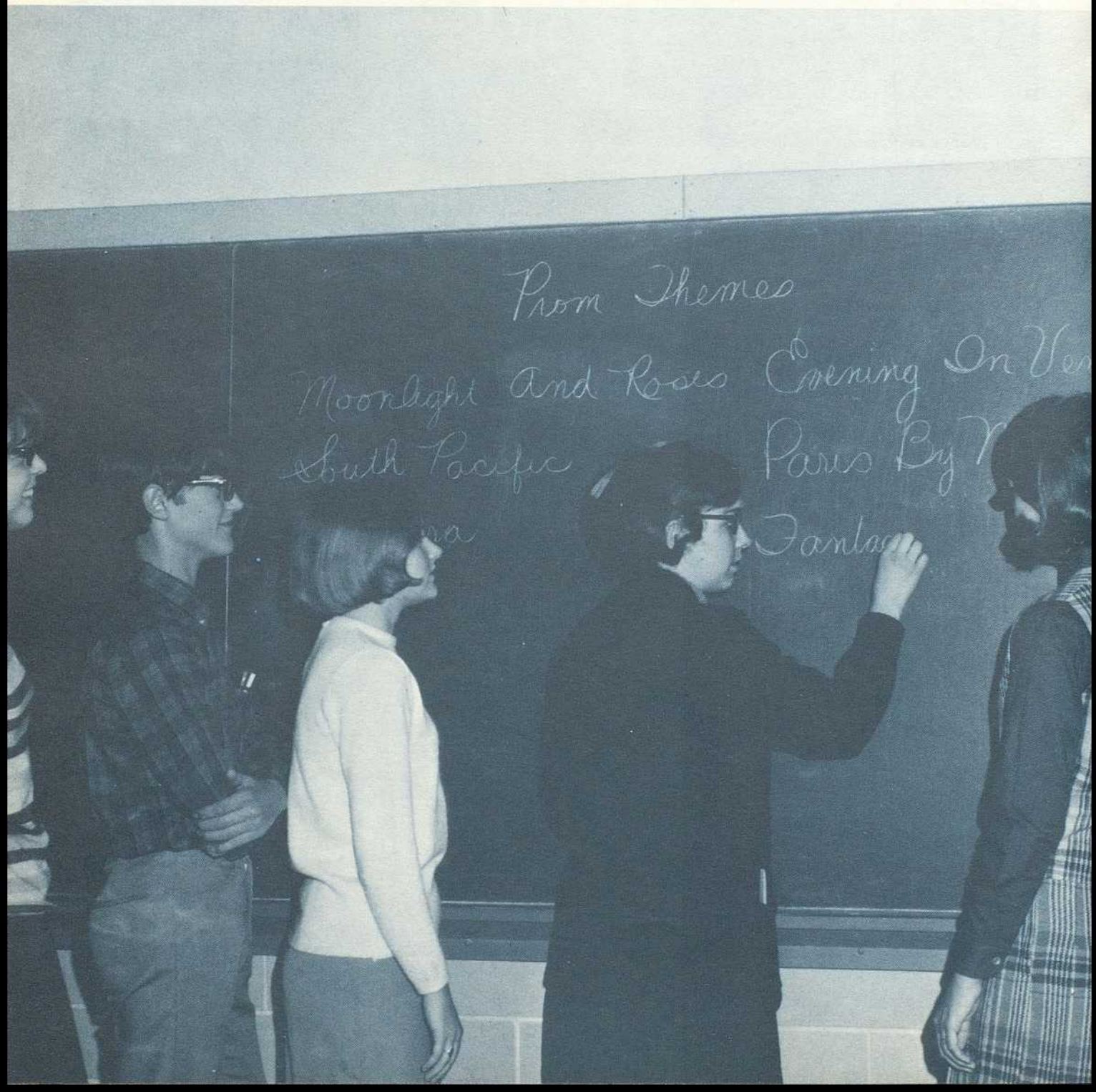


Miss Brewer and some members of the G.A.A. take time to rest and recover from recent spills.

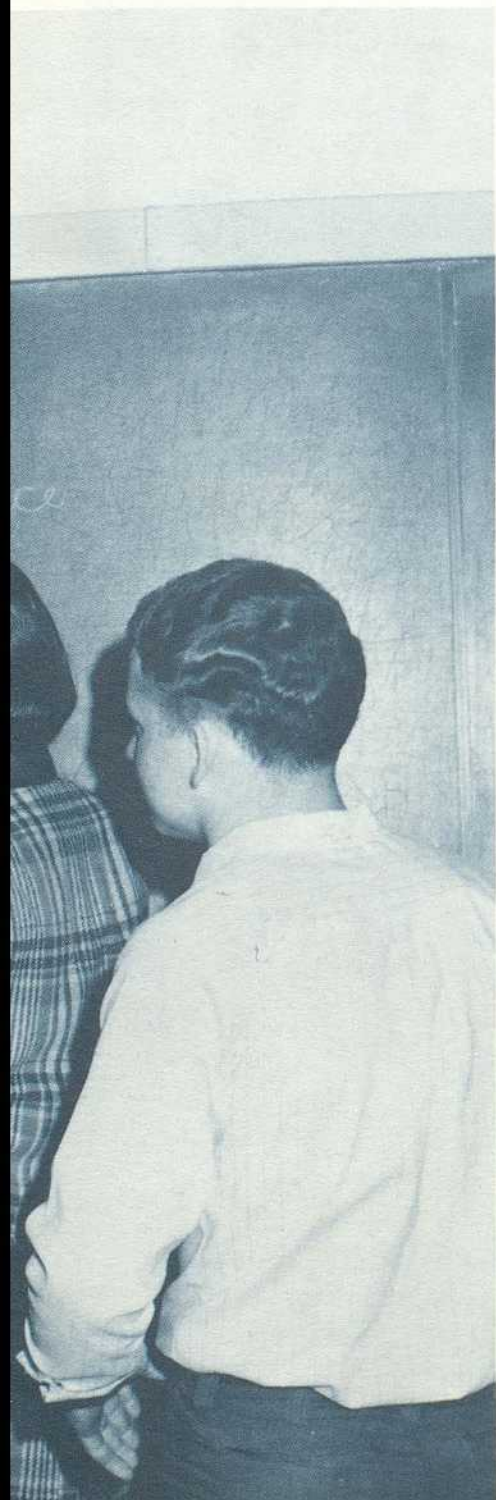
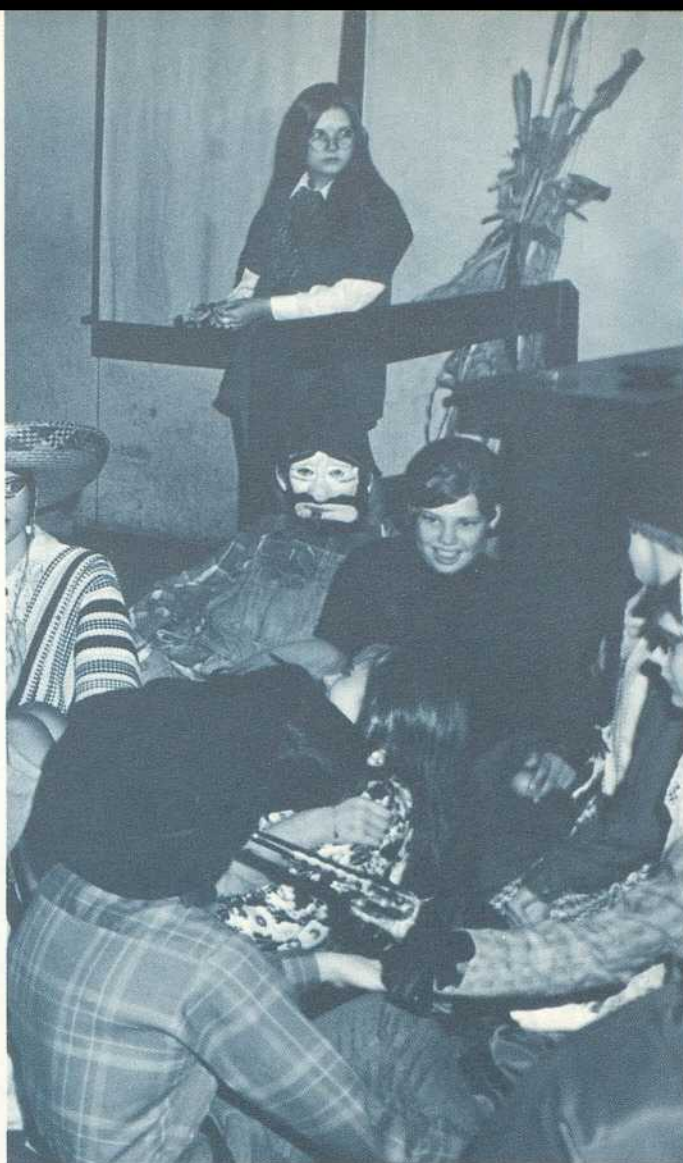


Betty Haake volleys the ball over the net in an effort to make more points for her team.

Reflections of a Time of Learning



Students



Juniors Join Upper Ranks



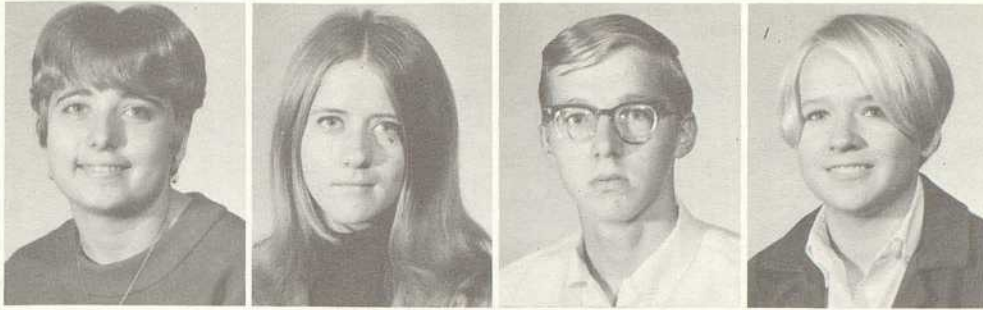
Junior Class Officers: President Rachel Verkamp, Vice-President Eugene Olinger, Secretary Linda Lueken, Treasurer Daniel Schipp.

Connie Bolte
Debbie Brahm
Eugene Braunecker
John Daunhauer



Marlene Daunhauer
Robert Demuth
Jerome Durcholz
Richard Fleig





Margaret Fritz
 Mary Gerber
 Edward Gudorf
 Clara Hagedorn



Donna Hancock
 Steve Hauser
 Elaine Helming
 Paul Helming



Dan Hoppenjans
 Phyllis Klem
 Margaret Knust
 Patrick Laake



Larry Leinenbach proved to be "very interesting" in the Juniors' "Laugh-In" skit which helped build spirit for the Sectional.



Larry Leinenbach



John Lubbehusen

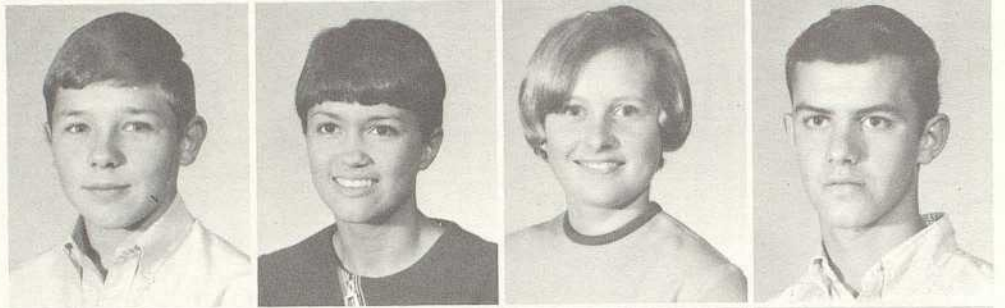


Janice Luebbehusen

Laura Luebbehusen
Linda Lueken
Evelyn Mehling
Theodore Meyer



Richard Muller
Patricia Nord
Carol Oeding
Gary Oeding



Eugene Olinger
Steve Olinger
Betty Oser
Gary Oser



Juniors Decorate Hall, Raise Money for



Juniors Ted Meyer, Ed Gudorf, and Gene Olinger create rivulet for Junior-Senior prom.



John Oser
Richard Oser

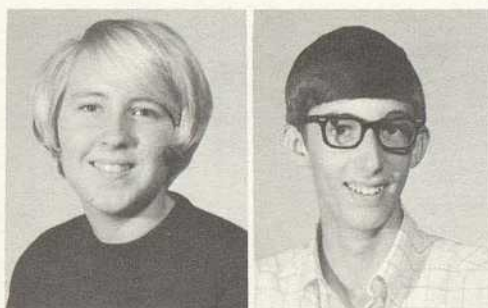


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Tom Pund



Carol Rahman
Michael Rasche

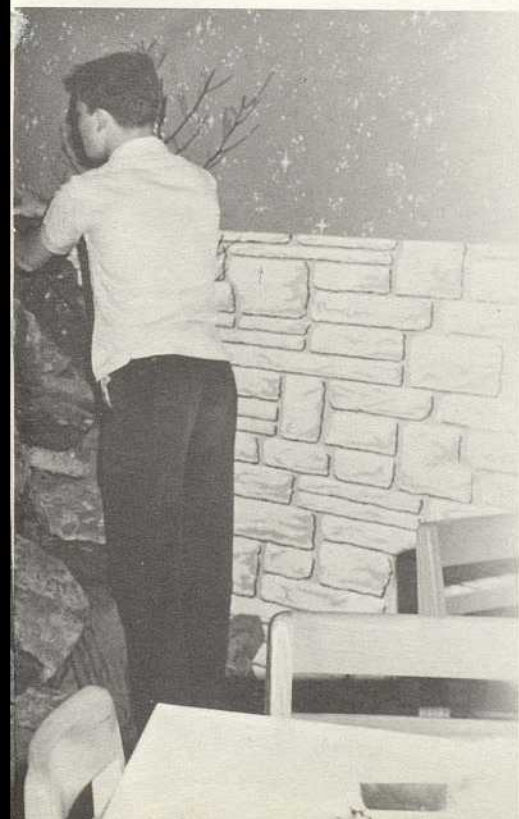
Junior-Senior Prom



Sue Remke
Daniel Schipp



Kenneth Schipp
Mary Schlachter





Evelyn Mehling, Mary Gerber, and Darla Werne prepare for LITTLE PRINCE.

“Little Prince” Production Aided by Juniors

Ruth Schnieders
Chester Schuler
Mary Sue Schuler



Ruth Schum
Brenda Schwinghamer
David Seng



Patrick Spayd
Donna Steckler
Jo Rene Temple





Joseph Tretter
Michael Verkamp
Madonna Vonderheide



Jeanne Vonderheide
Pauline Wagner
Arlene Welp
Jane Welp



"Impressed with our rings?" ask Tom Weyer and Margie Knust.



Darla Werne



Judy Werne



Dennis Weyer



Patrick Weyer

Steven Weyer
Tom Weyer
Eddie Wilmes



Mary Wuebkenberg
Maurice Wuebkenberg
Rebecca Zink



Juniors to Lead Next Year's Student Council



Juniors Mike Rasche, Judy Werne, Rachel Verkamp, and Dan Schipp prepare posters for Student Council election campaign.

Sophomores hail as survivors of the first year "greenie" stage. The halls of FHS are familiar sights to them now, as they are ranked as full-fledge members of the student body. Their class sweaters, which boldly display the year '71, are their pride and joy. Studies were difficult, involving such courses as biology, geometry and second year foreign languages. The Crusaders spirit was boosted by their skit presentation of "Snoopy and the Red Baron." The sophomores are midway in their high school careers, with many achievements and great times lying ahead in wait of their efforts.



Sophomore Class Officers: President Donna Mehling, Vice-President Pat Lueken, Secretary Karen Ruhe, Treasurer Debbie Klem.

Sophomores Accept Greater Challenges



Alan Begle
Beverly Begle
Ronald Berg
Kathy Bickwermert

Allen Boeckman
Jerome Boeckman
Dennis Boeglin
Thomas Brames

David Bromm
Donald Brosmer
Marie Brosmer
Kenneth Buechler

Connie Burger
Mike Daunhauer
Richard Demuth
Lois Dilger



Louise Dilger
Judy Drach
Paula Drach
Gary Ebert



Mary Egloff
Vicki Erhart
La Verne Fischer
Tom Fleck



Ray Fritz



Mary Gaesser



David Gehl



Sophomores Display School



Ruth Haake and Ray Fritz proudly display their school sweater and jacket.



Brenda Gehlhausen



Benita Greenwell



Ruth Haake



Psychiatrist Debbie Klem advised Dave Bromm about shortening hair lengths and lengthening school spirit.

Spirit



Bill Hartwick
Jacinta Hasenour
Christine Hedinger



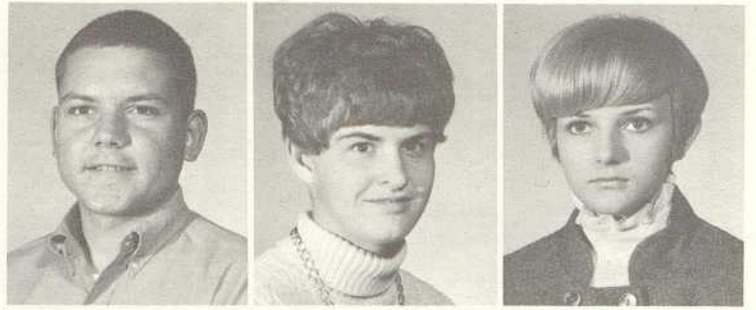
Paul Hedinger
Bertram Heeke
Glen Helming



Dennis Hoppenjans
Kevin Hulsman
Mike Hulsman



Gerard Hurst
Lois Johanneman
Geraldyn Kemper



Janis Kemper
Eugene Kerstiens
Kathy Kippenbrock



Debbie Klem
Kathy Knust
Bonnie Lange



Art Show Enhanced by



Sharon Mehling, Janis Kemper, and Mary Egloff
work to meet deadline of Art Display opening.



Jerry Leinenbach
 Phil Lindauer
 Eileen Luebbehusen
 Pat Lueken



Donna Mehling
 Sharon Mehling
 Marvin Meyer
 Charles Mundy



Joan Nord
 Randy Nord
 Daniel Oeding
 Shirley Oeding

Sophomore Talent



John Reckelhoff



Karen Ruhe



Alice Schipp



Sophomores Anticipate "Upperclassmanship"

George Schipp
Yvonne Spayd



Rosemarie Stallman
Norma Steckler



Lee Ray Tempel
Alvin Vaal
Mary Wagner
Susan Wagner



Gloria Werne
Alan Weyer
Carolyn Weyer
James Weyer



Kathleen Weyer
Norman Wilmes
Carol Woebkenberg
Sylvia Zink



Freshmen Merit Place in School



Freshman Class Officers: President Alvin Hoppenjans, Vice-President Elaine Becher, Secretary Stephen Meyer, Treasurer Eric Weyer.

Another year has passed during which another freshman class has again had to endure the upperclassmen's attempts to shake their courage and initiative. But their class has survived the ordeal and has acquired honors along the way. During the past year they have struggled, achieved, and triumphed. Through their efforts, they have finally earned their place as students of FHS and intend to remain so until 1972. The freshmen made their elders, the upperclassmen, stand up and take notice as their class consistently led the honor roll in scholastic achievement. The freshman girls displayed their singing talent as they merited first place in the music contest at the University of Evansville. The float they entered in the Civic Center Fund parade won a first in effort in the minds of many.



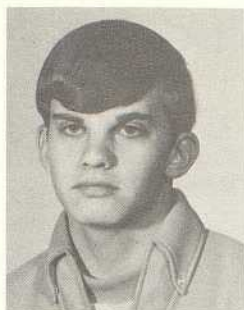
Dennis Balbach
Brenda Barth
Cindy Bartley
Elaine Becher



Becky Begle
Lorna Bettag
Donna Bickwermert
John Bieker

Advertising Themselves As

Randy Bromm



Patrick Brosmer



Judy Ebert



We hardworking freshmen are willing to be sold.

Gary Englert
Terry Englert
Tom Englert
Connie Erhart



William Fischer
Anna Fleck
Jane Fleck
Gary Fritz



Kristy Fritz
Pamela Fritz
Gayla Gehlhausen
Kevin Gerber



Slaves Frosh Aid Center



Are you willing to buy us?



Susan Goepferich



June Greenwell



Betty Haake



Mary Jo Haas
Stanley Hasenour
Doris Helming
Mary Alice Helming

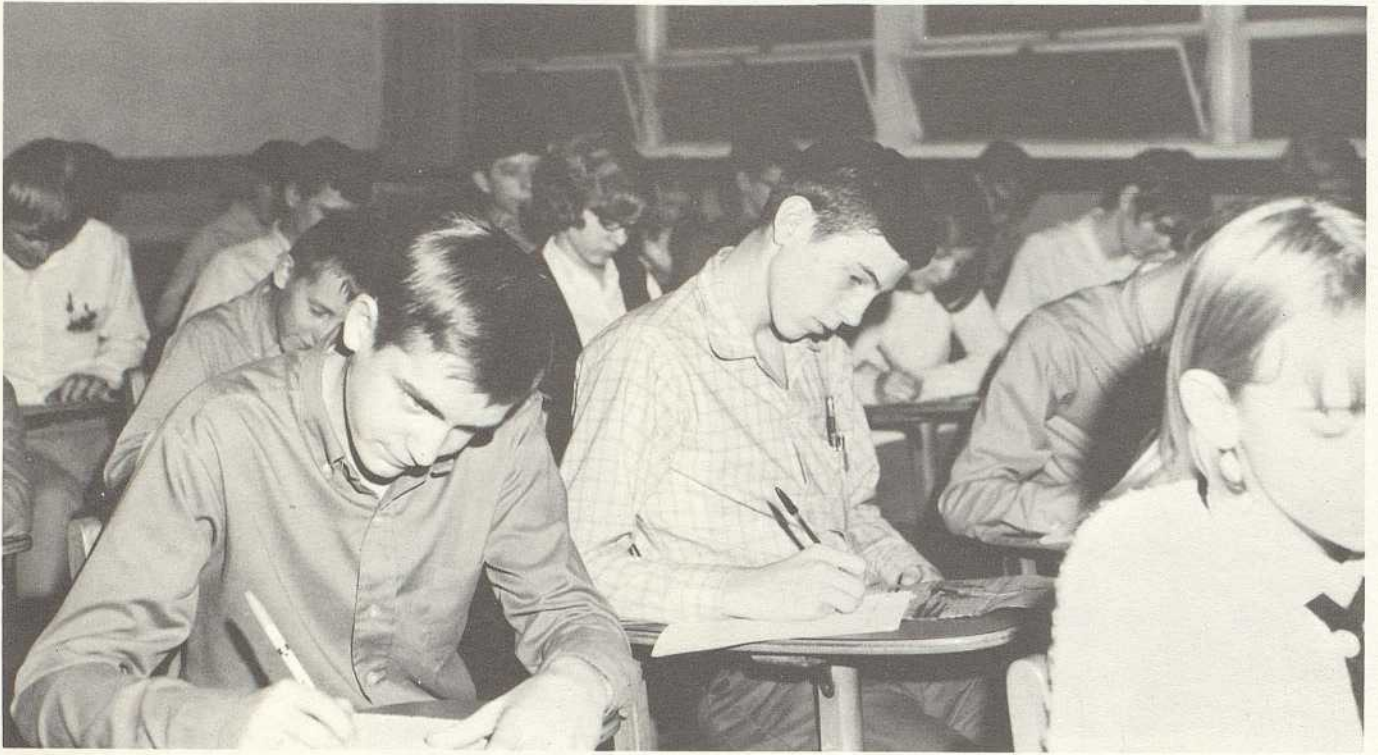


Alvin Hoppenjans
Laverne Jacob
Mary Johanneman
Sue Ann Johanneman



Edward Kersteins
Connie Kippenbrock
Tom Kippenbrock
Luann Klem

Frosh Find High School Challenging



Freshmen find writing poetry demanding concentration and need for inspiration.

Albert Kluemper
James Lubbehusen
Sharon Lueken
Tom Lueken



Mike Maffenbeier
Randy Merkley
Judy Meyer
Larry Meyer





Marilyn Meyer
 Michael Meyer
 Robert Meyer
 Stephen Meyer



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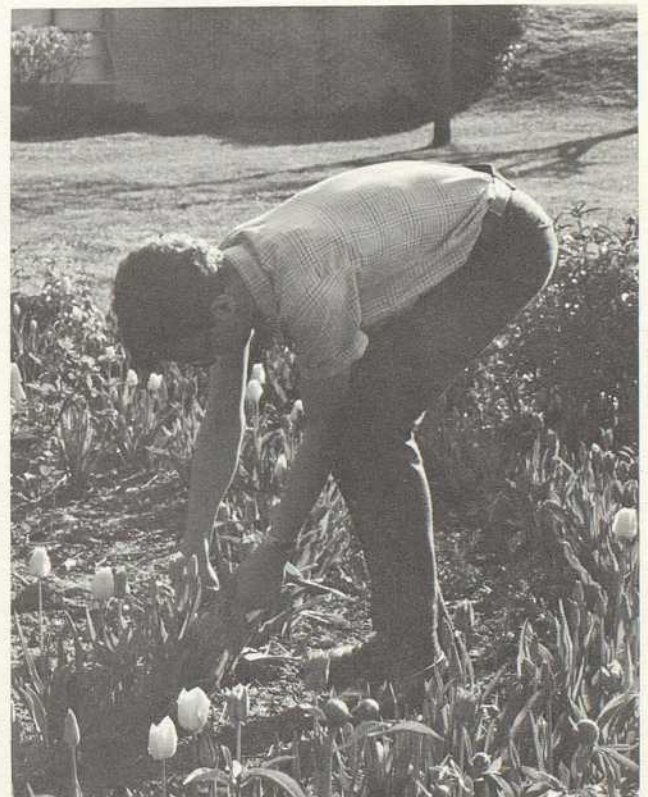
Margie Rasche



Diane Schaeffer



John Schipp



Tom Englert steals flowers for principal.

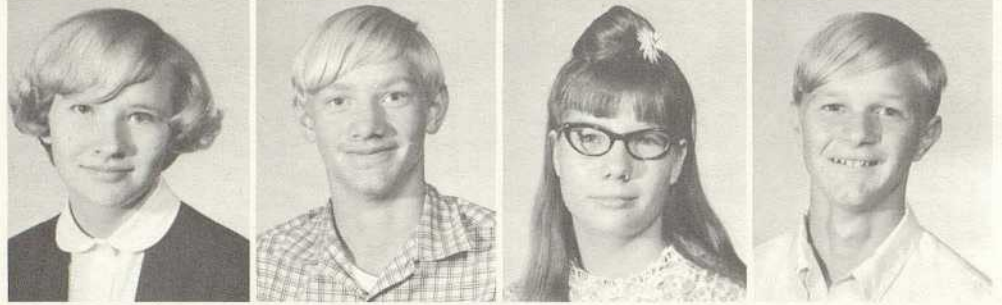
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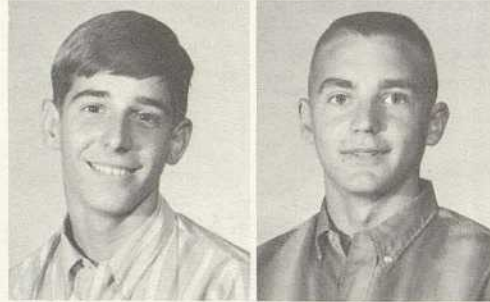
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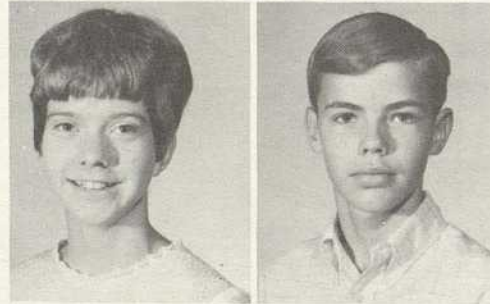
Donna Verkamp
 Louis Verkamp
 Carla Vittitow
 David Wagner



Rick Wendholt
 Jerry Werne



Jane Wessel
 Eric Weyer



Gerald Weyer
 Larry Weyer



Lockers Frustrate Freshmen



Patty Wilgus
Marlene Wuebkenberg



Mary Wollenmann
Debbie Zink



Elaine Zink

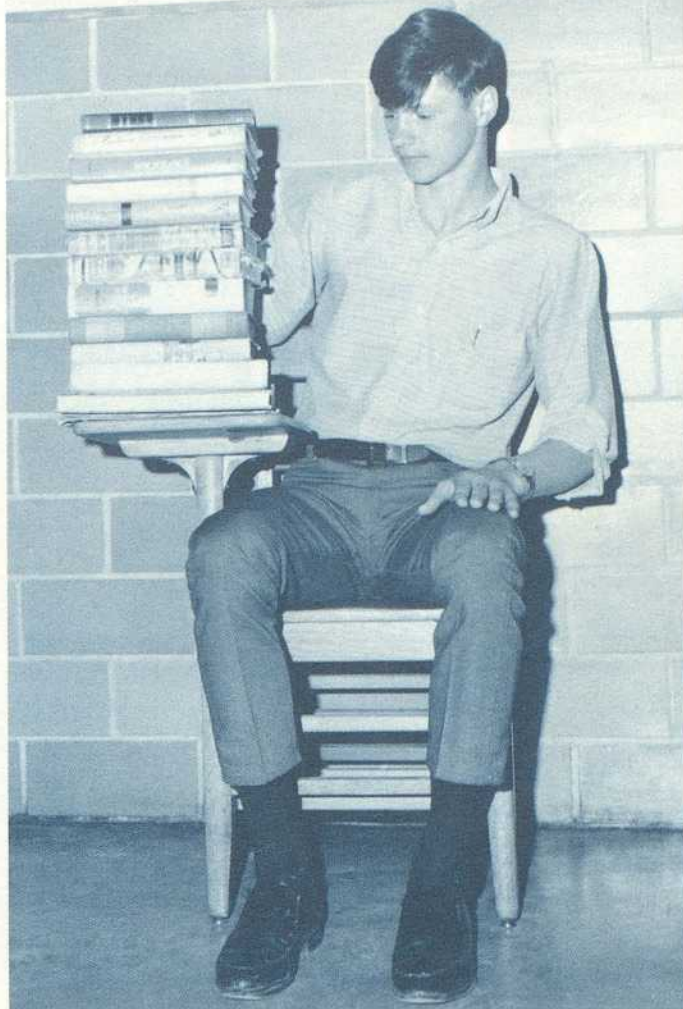


Jane Fleck and Rick Wendholt practice locker combinations.

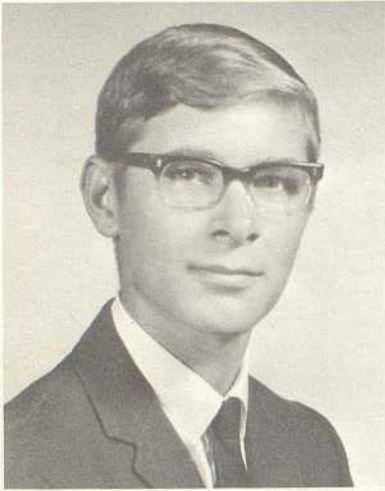
Reflections of a Hope for the Future



Seniors



Senior Initiative Provides



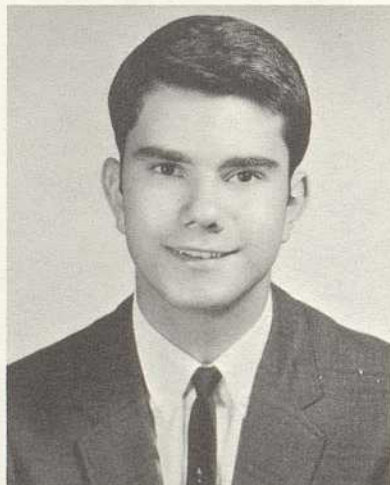
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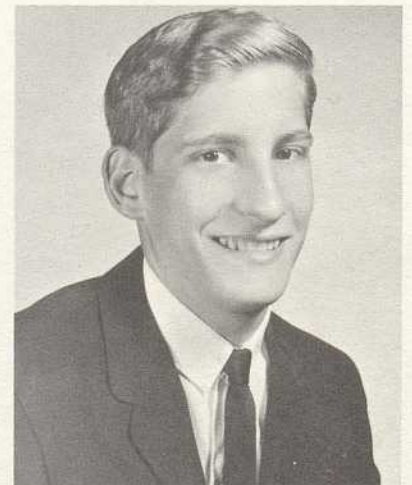
Kathy Berg



Randall Berg



Mark Bolte



Norbert Brames

We proudly present the Seniors of 1969. Throughout our high school career, we have continuously worked to create the present image of our class.

As freshmen and sophomores we willingly took our place as underclassmen, serving the needs of our elders. We participated actively in school organizations and projects.

Our junior year found us taking on the responsibilities of upperclassmen. Because of the combined efforts of our class, the prom was a great success. As seniors, we led the students of Ferdinand High School by our encouraging example. We assumed the traditional responsibilities of seniors. In addition, we canvassed the area selling raffle tickets for hams in order to finance our class trip. A two-day venture in St. Louis was our destination. Because of our excellent training, we eagerly face the leadership of tomorrow.



Leadership for School



Senior Class Officers: President Dennis Verkamp, Vice-President Bill Schipp, Secretary Stan Ruhe, Treasurer Donna Gehlhausen.



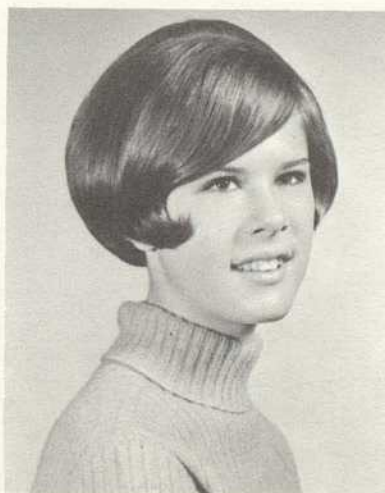
Phyllis Buechler



Terry Burger



Irma Brinkman



Kathy Buechler



Sue Daunhauer

Academic Achievement Pursued



Paul Greenwell and Ginny Potter use microfilm reader as they do research for papers.



Ruth Dilger



Diane Ebert



Darlene Fischer



Rebecca Fischer



Carol Fleck



Martha Gaesser



Donna Gehlhausen



Hubert Goepferich



Paul Greenwell



Phyllis Buechler captured "Freedom's Challenge" award.

Senior Social



William Hancock



Lawrence Hasenour



Constance Hedinger



Marvin Weyer escorts Tony Wigand into "Misty Moonlight" ballroom.



John Hedinger

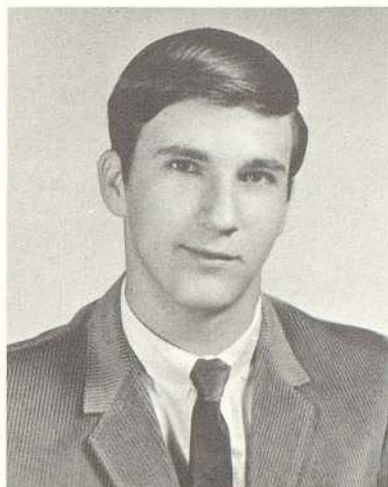


Mary Lee Hedinger



Donna Helming

Highlight



Samuel Helming



David Hoppenjans



Marilyn Jacob



Martha Kemper



Lewis Klem



Marilyn Kluemper



Joan Krampe



Karen Leinenbach



Karen Lindauer



Carol Luebbehusen



Charlotte Lueken



Deborah Lueken

Ham Raffle Sponsors St. Louis Trip



R. Dilger, D. Fischer, D. Werne, J. Wendholt, D. Hoppenjans, and Mr. Klein name winners.



Rebecca Mehling

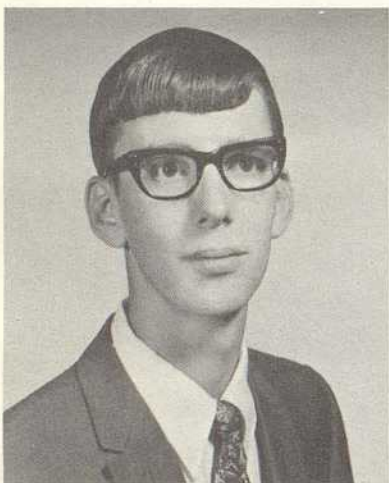


Jerome Meyer

Seniors Express Gratitude



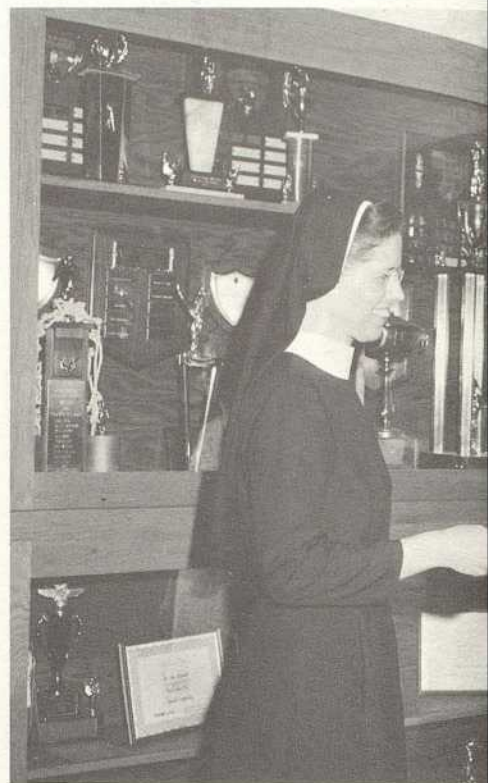
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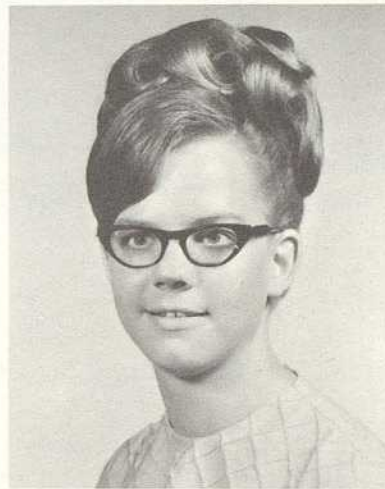
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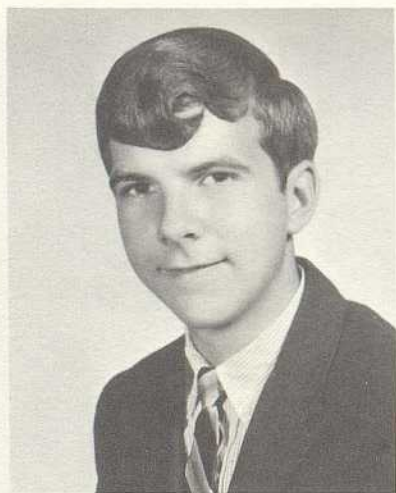
Lawrence Rasche





Noon lunch hour finds seniors perched on cars, waiting for the inevitable bell to ring.

Seniors Anticipate End of School Year



Mark Schilling



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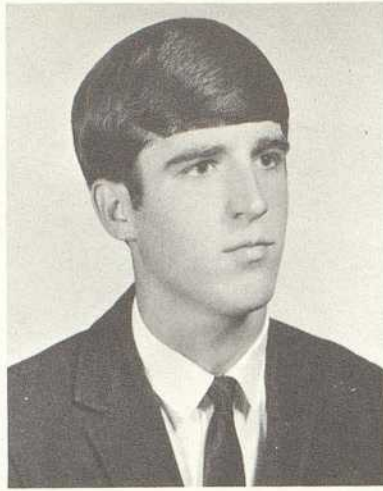
Judith Steltenpohl

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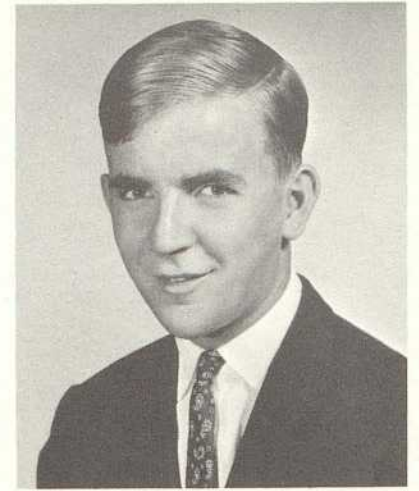




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Beverly Weyer

Senior Year Two-Day



Margaret Weyer



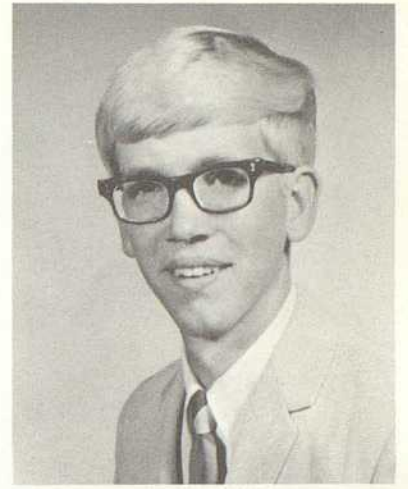
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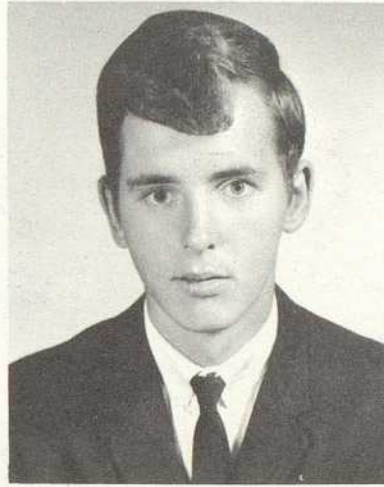
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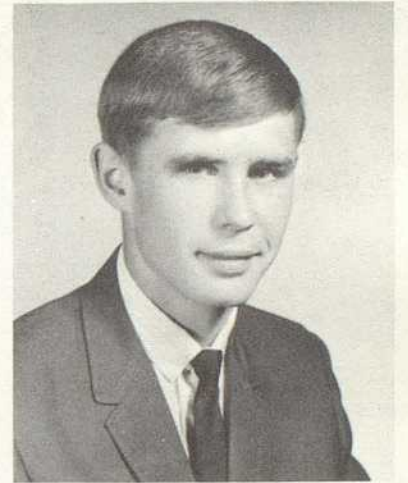
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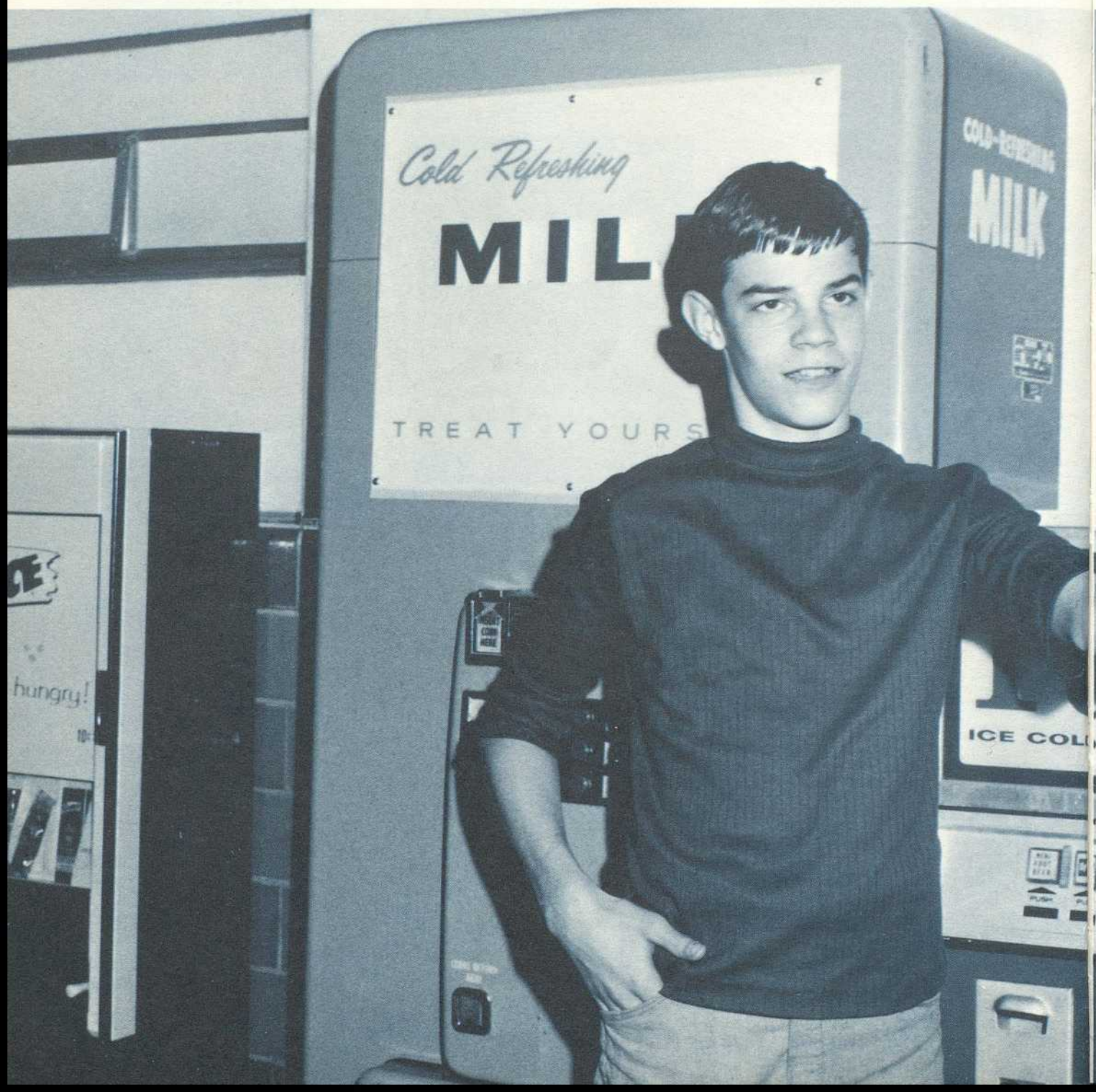
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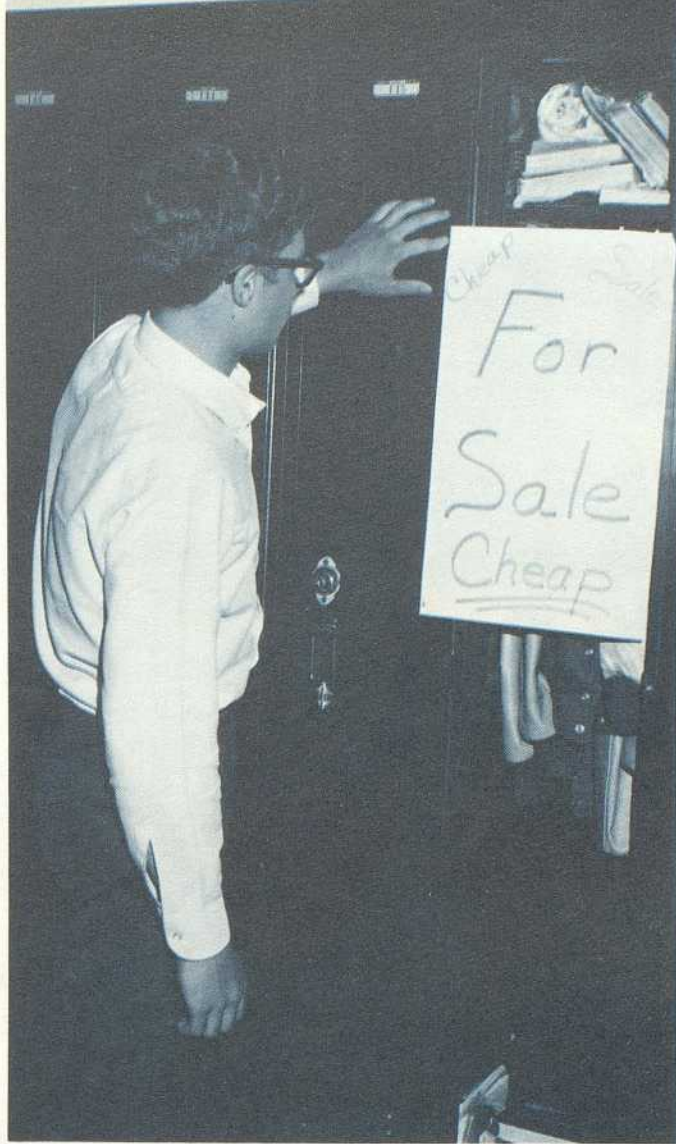


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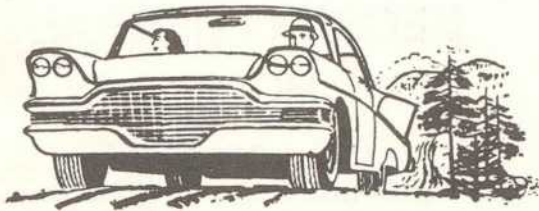
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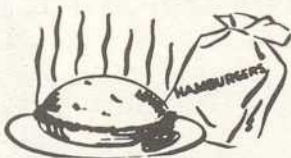
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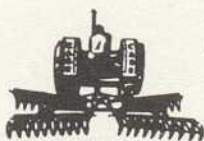
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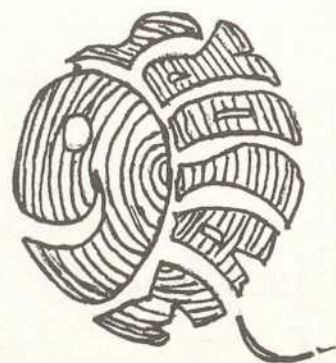
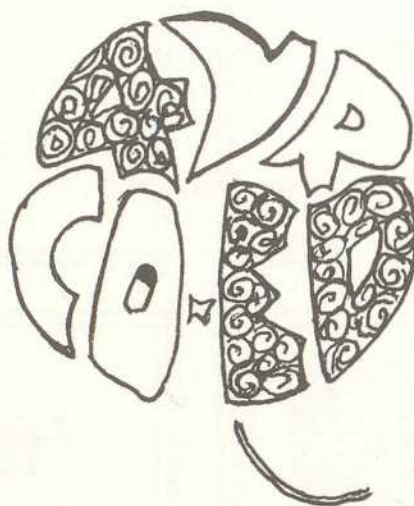
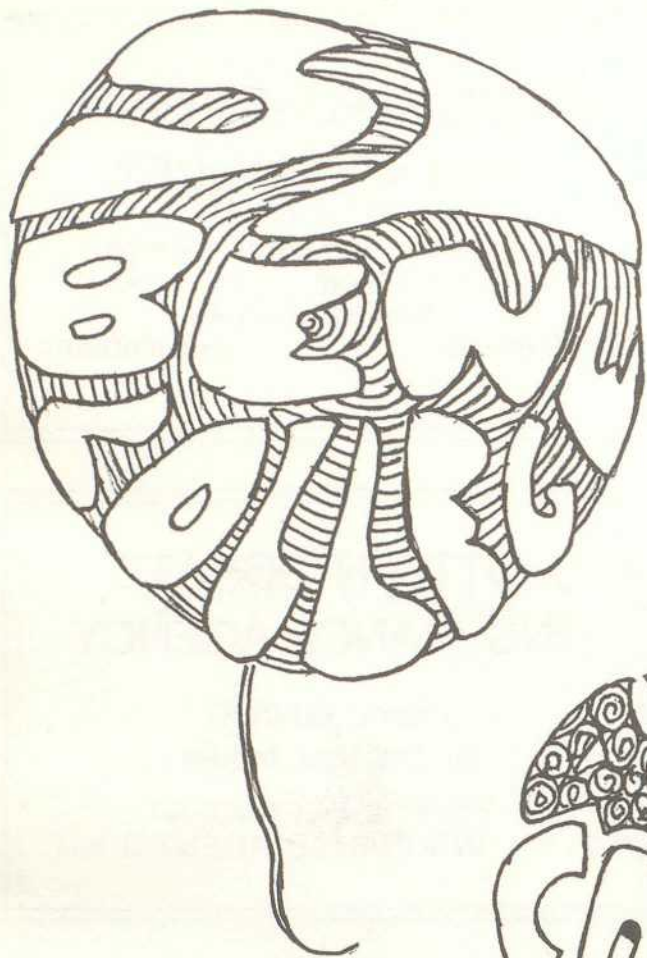
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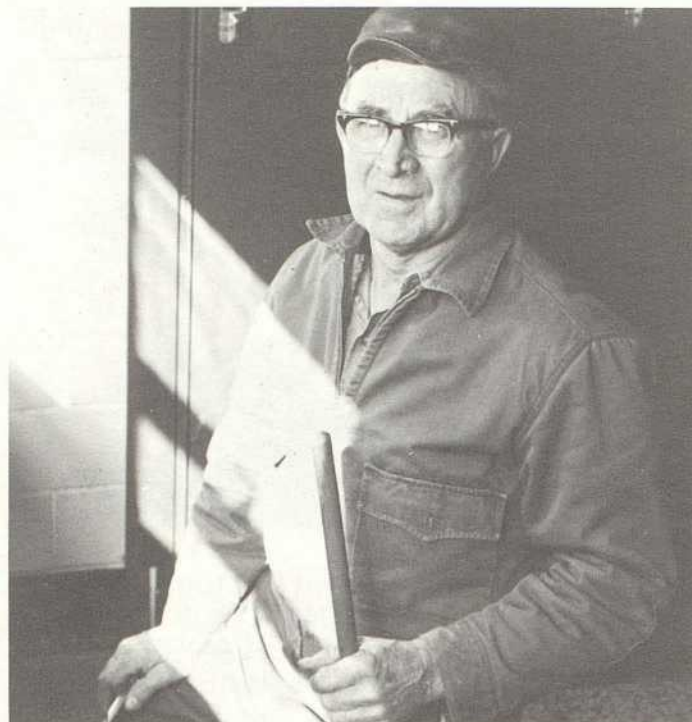
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