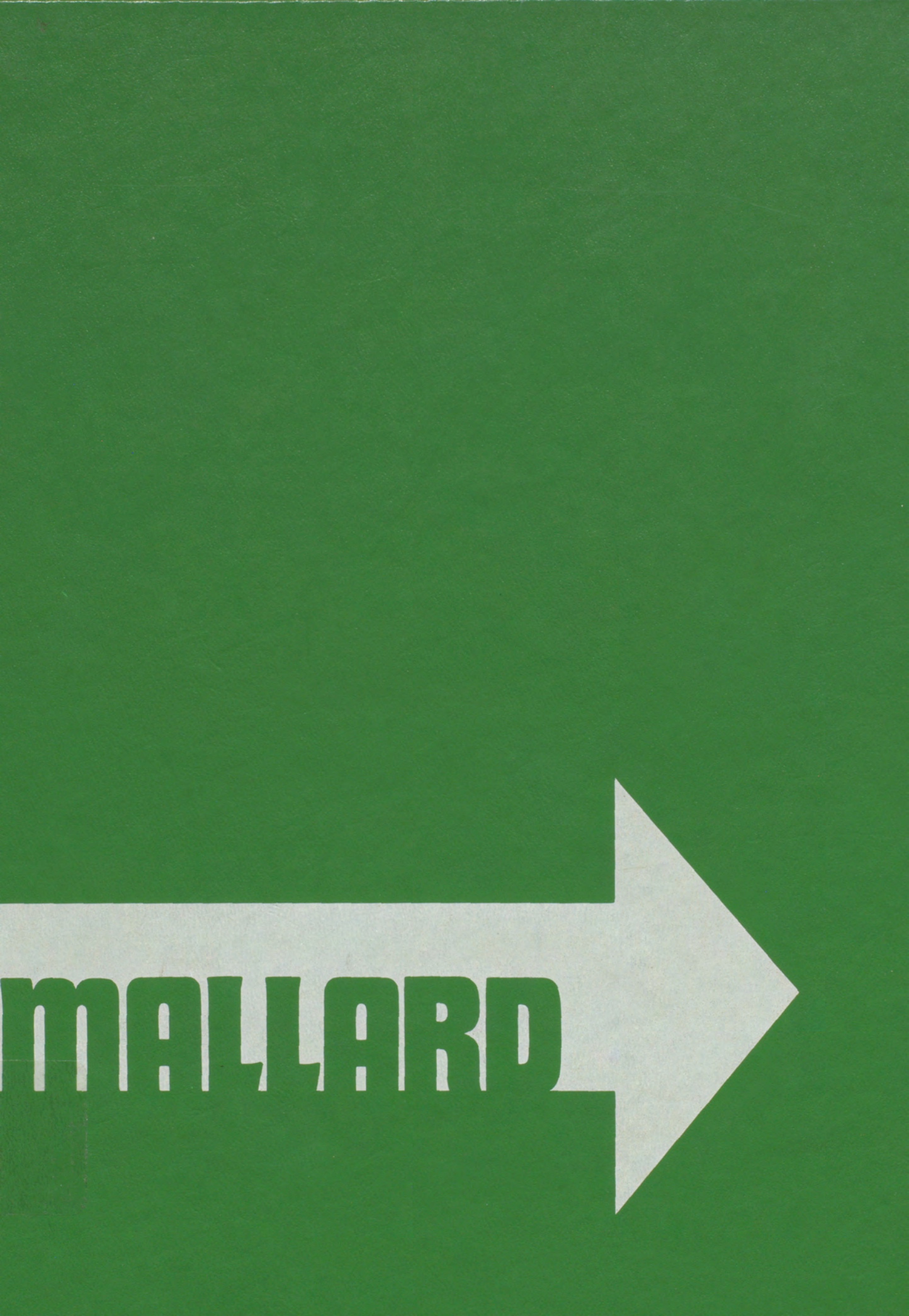
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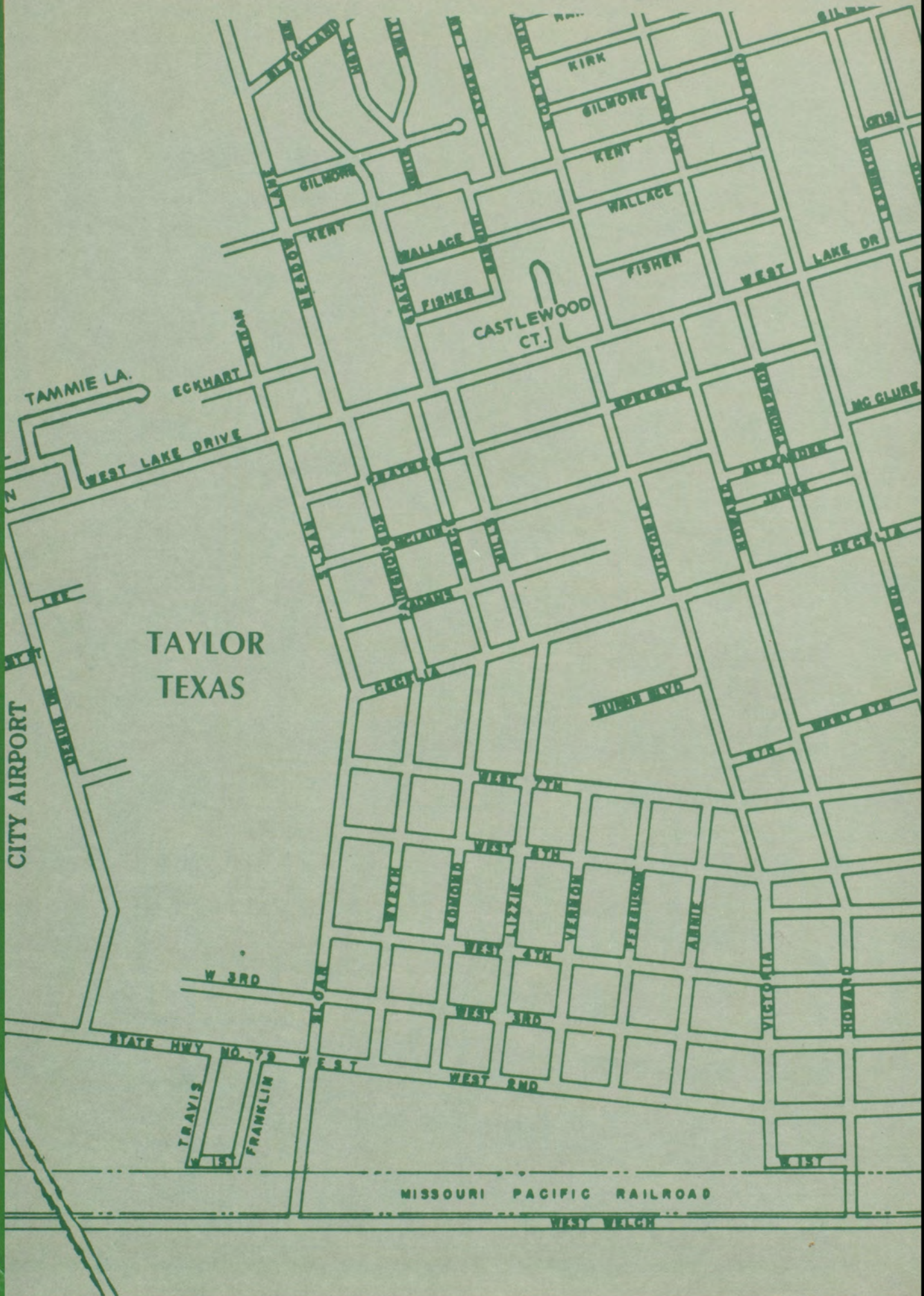
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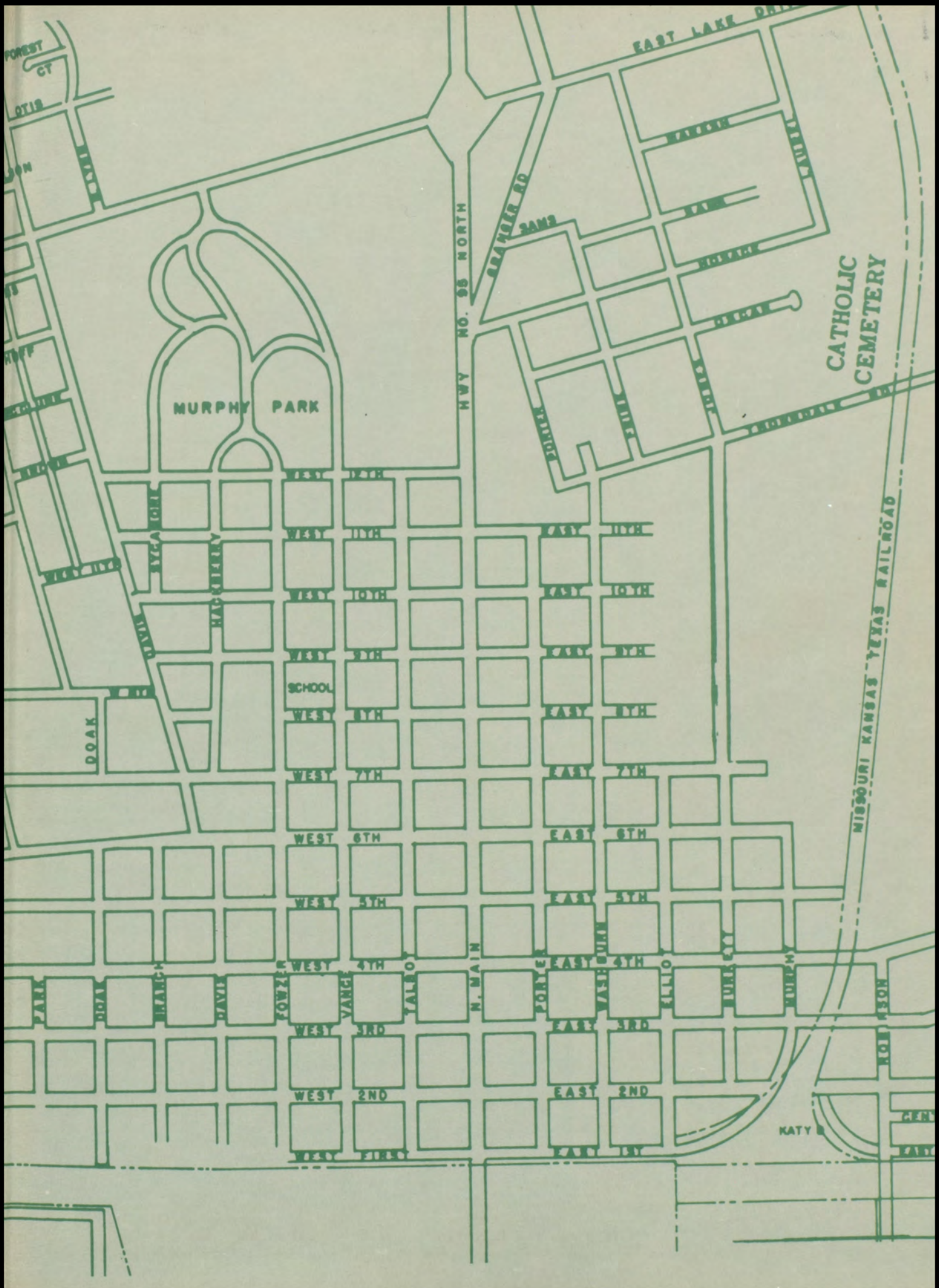

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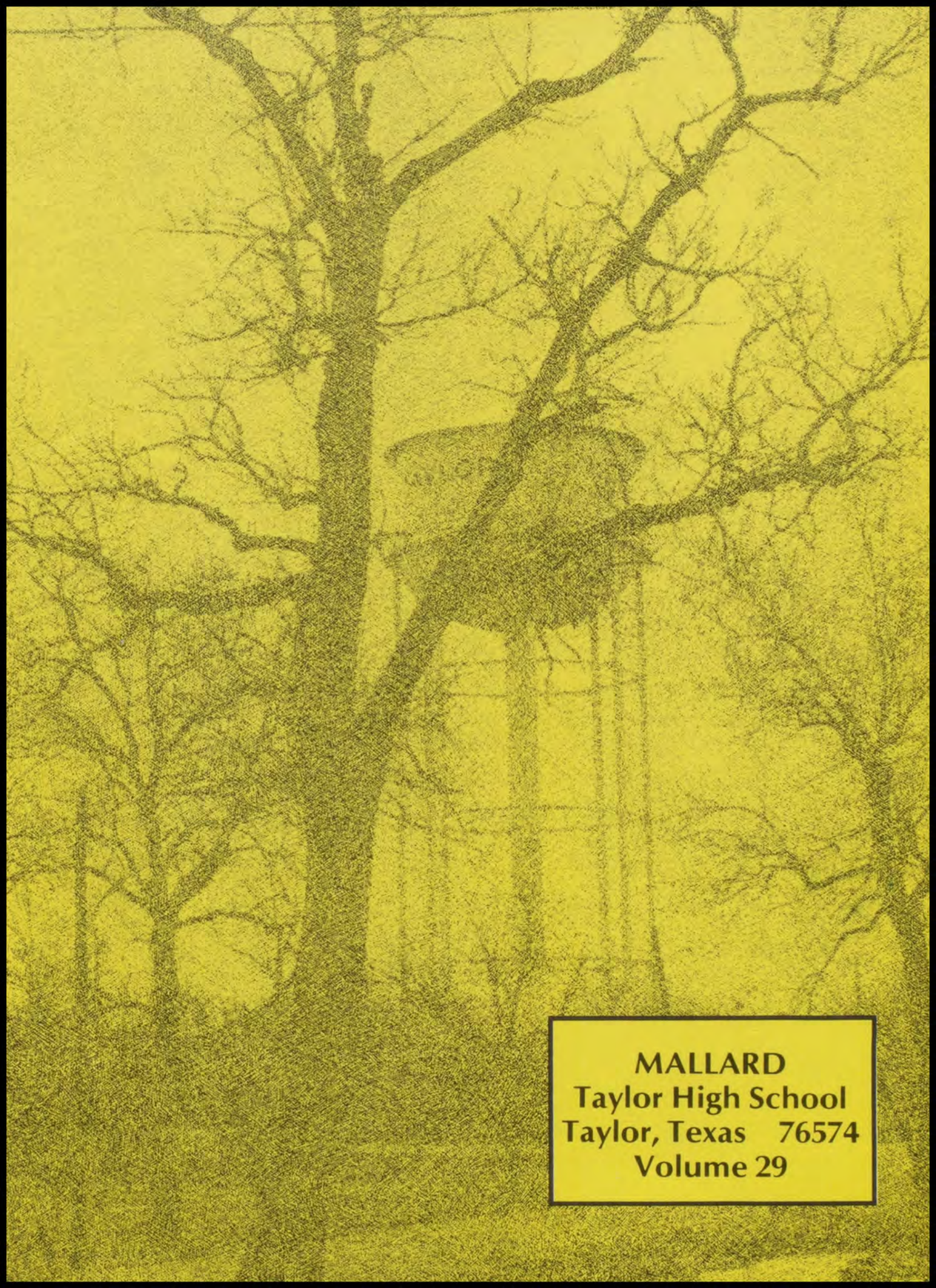

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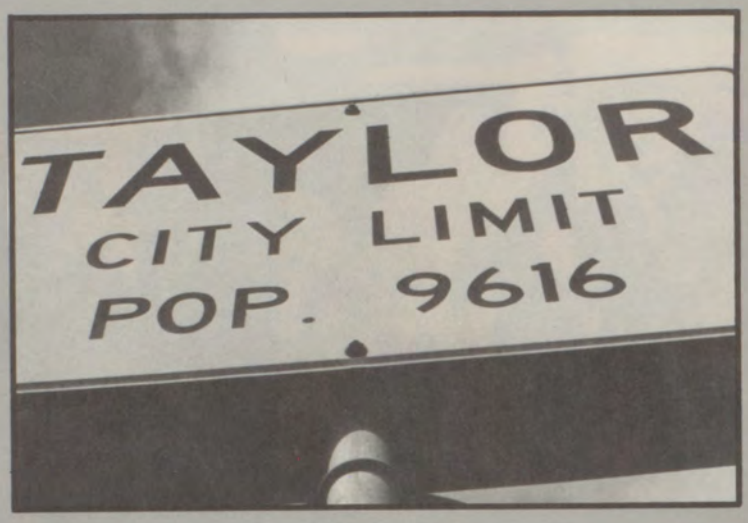
You are now entering Taylor, Texas,

the town that's "Friendly as a Texan's smile." Population 9,616, but still growing. Immediately in front of you is one of our latest pieces of construction, the loop. Look at it, but do not enter because then you will bypass our little town. Our first stop is Murphy Park, where you can find everything from a lake to a zoo. We like it even though it doesn't quite compare to Disneyland. A couple of reasons for continuing progress in our town are the civic clubs and the Chamber of Commerce. They help unite us as a city, yet preserve our many different cultures. Tall water towers are running a close race with the ancient hackberry trees, but signs of advancement are able to mingle nicely in our varied landscape. With new housing additions popping up all over town, it's getting a little harder to find a country road. But for those sun-n-fun lovers, a serene river setting is still only a five-minute drive away. The last stop today is our pride and joy - Taylor High School. Come and look a little closer.





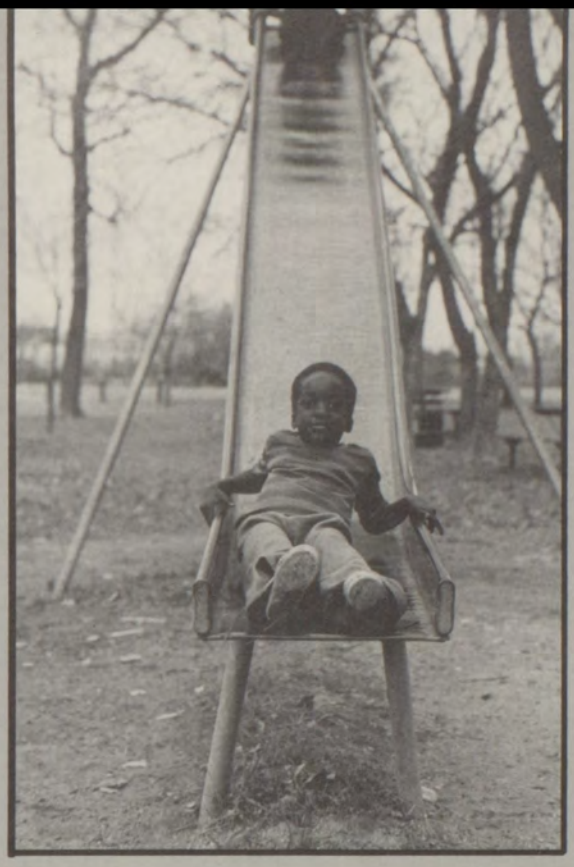










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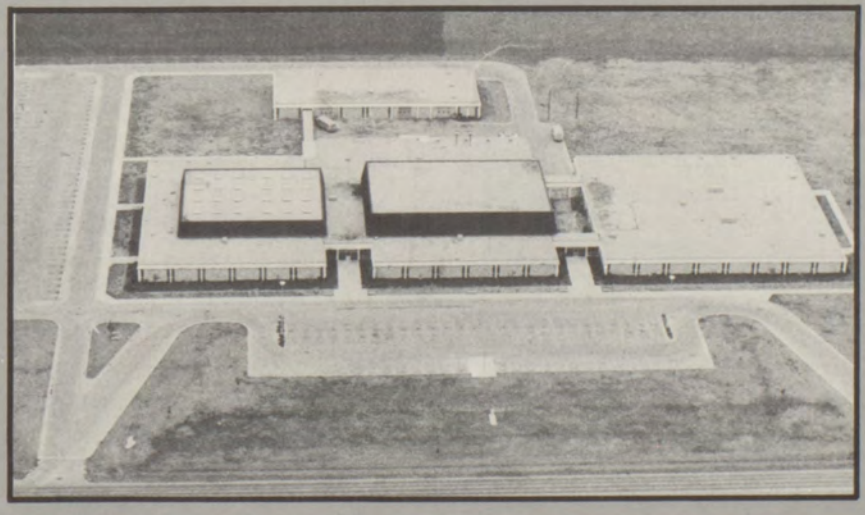



Less than one mile



One to four miles

No More Horse and Buggy

In a community as spread out as Taylor, students found many different modes of transportation to school. One survey indicated that there were four basic ways to arrive on campus at THS.

Since school is located just outside of the city limits, only 24% of the student body lives less than a mile away. This portion of the clientele usually found it more convenient to walk or ride a bike to class.

Almost half of the students, 49%, live within a one to four mile radius of the campus. They all find it easy to drive to school and home again for lunch.

Waiting as a half-hour train passes was a familiar scene for 16% of the students. These country folk travelled four to eight miles to school.

The smallest group of students were bus riders. This 11% resided over eight miles away from school.

One way or another, students and teachers alike always made it to school in time to take part in all the activities of a busy year.



Four to eight miles



Over eight miles

Diversity is the word - people from all backgrounds, buildings from all ages, traditions from all cultures. Our small town of Taylor represents different religions, beliefs and loves. Yet we all unite to celebrate who we are, where we are and where we are going.

Against a deep blue sky, this windmill has seen many sunsets in Taylor. The windmill, like other relics of the past, remains active amid Taylor's symbols of progress.

Taylor Ducks, both the human and animal varieties, enjoy the peaceful atmosphere of a warm afternoon at Murphy Park.

Representative of Taylor's various denominations, this contemporary church stands proudly, welcoming its parishioners.

As a part of the school scene, these musicians "band together" to add spirit and fellowship to a notorious Duck pep rally.

A colorful array of lights frames a town bank and serves as a sharp contrast between this modern foundation and one of Taylor's older institutions.

The Taylor Public Library exemplifies the community's yearning for better learning facilities and the ability to do something about it.

In unison, Pep Squad members continue to support their team with cheerful yells and chants.

City Hall houses the town leaders. "City Dads" operate from here to create ordinances and make decisions which serve to improve both physical and abstract situations in Taylor.

Almost with the "speed of sound," Taylor is attracting new businesses, people and ideas.




















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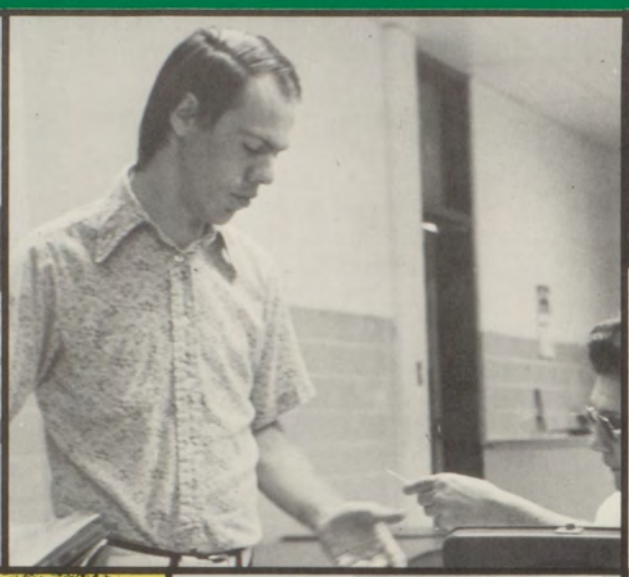
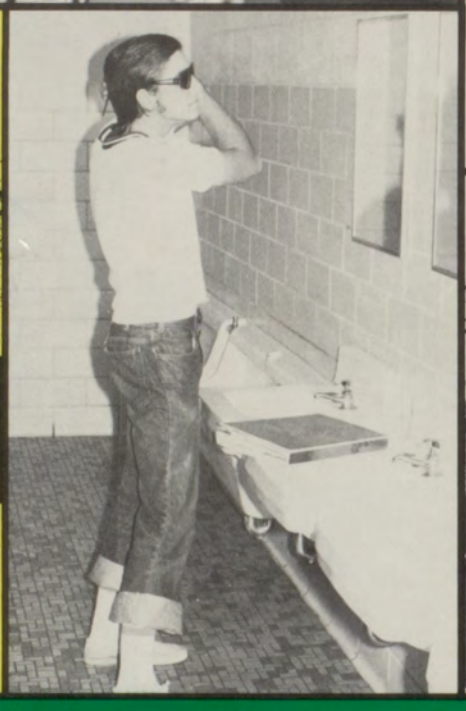










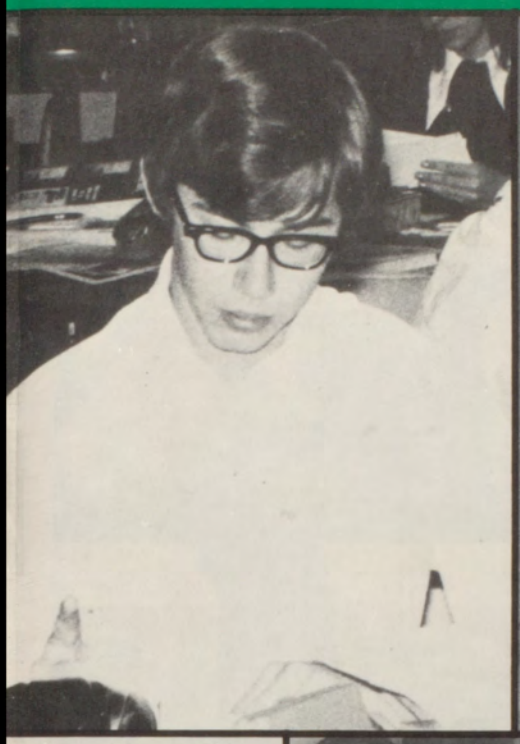
Living is doing and caring. Living through months of school and extracurricular activities serves to broaden students' mental and physical capability. Life in THS is no exception.

Mitchell Gipson escorts Claudia Lee to her next class.

Denney Poldrack buys his lunch ticket from Agnes Kasparek in the Snack Bar.

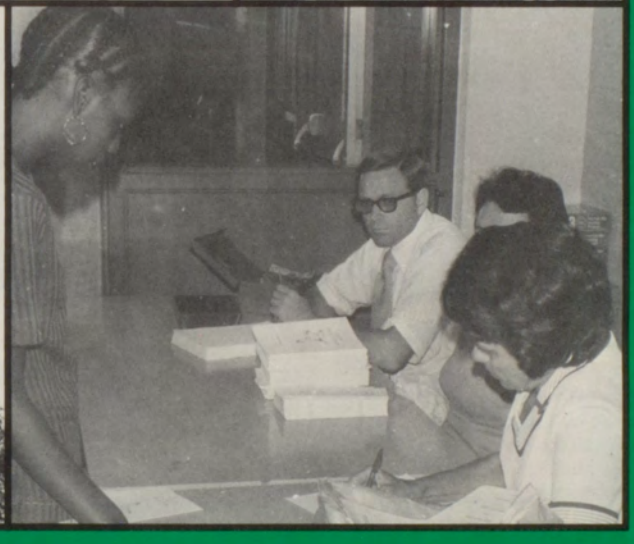
Thomas Conn and other English II students discover the world of research reports.

Philip Eschberger is greeted by the juggling musician, Sam Gainer, with a trick hat in an attempt to draw some laughter









LIVING

from the assembly audience.

After a long, exhausting class, Larry Whatley excitedly gulps down some water.

As a part of "Fifties Day" for Homecoming, Randy McGee checks his new greased-down hair style.

Duane Danek, David Marcon, Donald Stolte, David Wingate, Ricky Huber, Randall Hobbs and Marcel Ruzicka top the Homecoming bonfire.

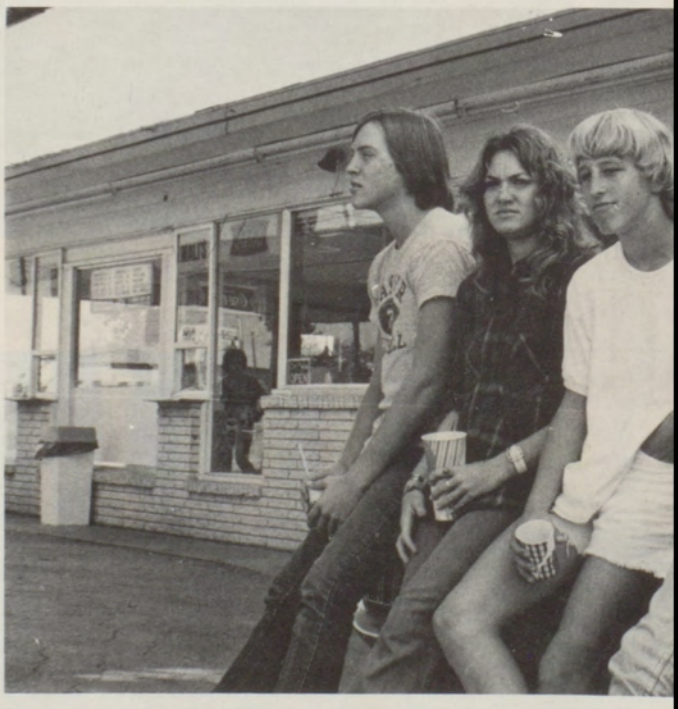
To begin another year of high school, Janet Jackson passes by the registration desk manned by Robert Malone, Elizabeth Zetak and Joyce Quebe.

JUNE-JULY



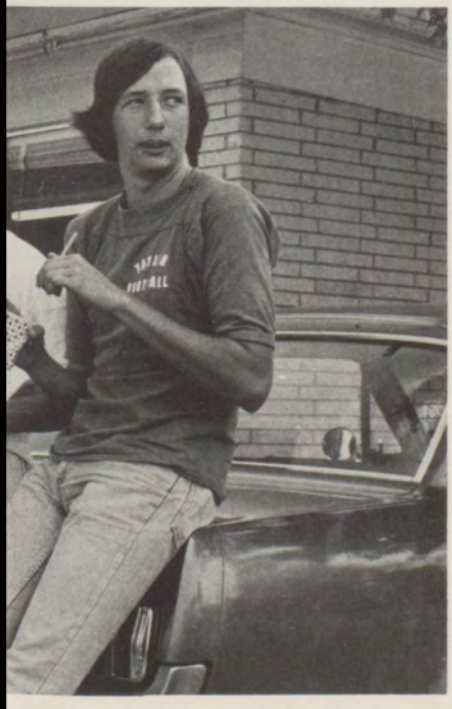


RIGHT PAGE: (Top Left) A summer day is the perfect time for a sports enthusiast like Randy McGee to sharpen his tennis skills. (Top Right) Even though dove season is several months away, Michael Bachmeyer spends his free time firing at a target to be sure his aim is still good. (Bottom) Kent Hanacik, Abby Frazier, Terry Lindemann and Kevin Page spend a typical summer afternoon thinking of something to do. LEFT PAGE: (Top) Hard work during summer football practice gets Marion Morgan and Donald Frederick in shape for the upcoming season. (Center) Freshmen and new band members spend July days with Director Gene Rhemann learning the basic marching techniques needed for their performances once football begins. (Bottom) To earn some money in months away from school, Randall Bachmeyer concentrates on his painting jobs.











TAKE TIME OUT FOR WORK AND FUN

With great rejoicing, Taylor students welcomed June. Old routines ended as new ones sprang up. To the 42 summer school students this meant changing from regular school hours to a 7:30-11:30 a.m. class time for the first six weeks of summer. To some the new routines required getting used to working hours and to others the summer held a time of relaxation. But to all of us, June spelled relief from the end-of-year hassles at school.

More time for recreation came with the summer. People always complained that there was nothing to do since Taylor is so small, but even so, its inhabitants usually found something to fill their time. Making the drag and going to Mood's dances filled extra hours for many.

The tennis courts overflowed with people during the day. A few souls pedaled around town on English racers. Swimming and water skiing were ways to beat the heat and people went to Lake Travis, the San Gabriel, and Blue Hole to get a tan the cool way.

The high point of July and the social event of the summer was the Taylor Independence Festival. T.I.F. days brought a dance every night, a parade, a tennis tournament, and a swim meet.

As June and July passed, so did the carefree feeling that came with the summer.

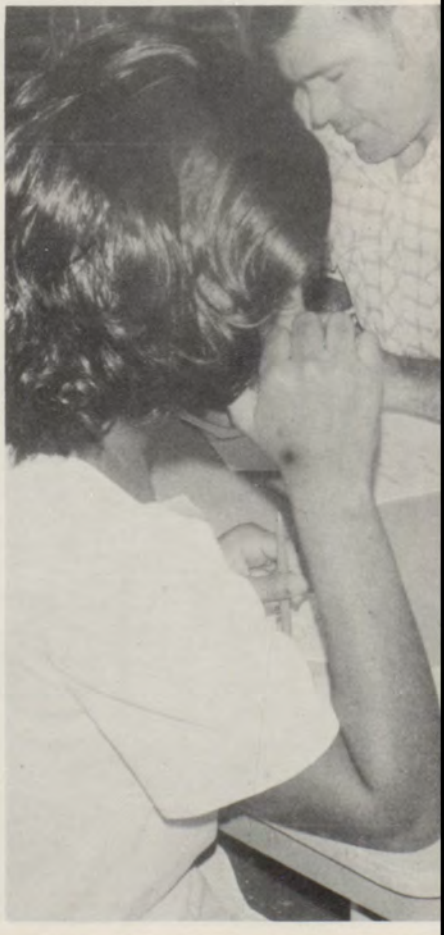
LEISURE EXPIRES — STUDIES PREVAIL

By August, the excitement of summer had faded into boredom. We all tried to cram into those last days all the things we'd meant to do during the summer but hadn't. Yet we had to face the reality of summer's end when the registration schedule came out. While many of us were ready to return to the routine of school, others felt the summer vacation was entirely too short. Nevertheless, the inevitable first day of school arrived bringing with it the confusion of finding classrooms and lockers, changing schedules, and an air of excitement and uncertainty.

The beginning of school is always hectic as everyone tries to settle into a new routine. But September '74 provided a few more distractions than usual. An early taste of winter came at the beginning of the month and caught us off-guard since only a few days earlier we had been scantily attired. A second unexpected diversion occurred when a chemistry lab mishap forced an evacuation of the building. Besides these unplanned happenings, there were enough scheduled events to keep the first full months of school from being humdrum. September produced: introduction night, pep rallies and games, Junior Varsity cheerleader tryouts, senior rings for juniors arrived, classes and clubs held organizational meetings, and class pictures were taken. A look at the activity calendar makes it hard to believe that there was time for class, but we managed to work that in too.







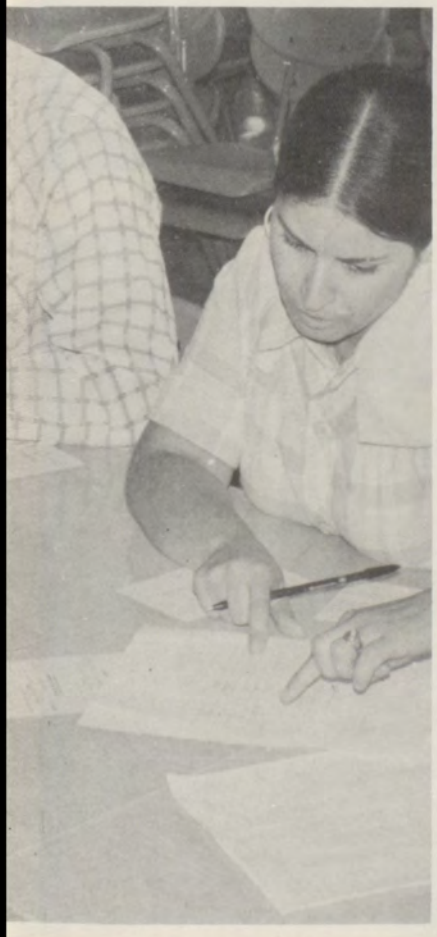
AUGUST-SEPTEMBER





LEFT PAGE: (Bottom Right) With the assistance of Lupe Ramirez and Harold Kurtz, students receive their schedules and locker equipment on registration day. (Top) Yo Yo Day brings a change of atmosphere as well as appearance to the school as everyone goes all out to promote spirit for the first football game. (Bottom Left) To perfect their performance for their first halftime show, Hi-Steppers put in long hours of diligent practice.





(Top Left) Getting back into the pace of school, Ruth Kincl manages to study with a relaxed air. (Top Right) Abby Frazier executes a spectacular jump demonstrating her cheerleading abilities during Junior Varsity cheerleader tryouts. (Above) Escorted by Neal Janke and Elroy Stoglin, Anna Marie Schwenke proudly goes to accept the Miss Spirit Award, a mum from the football team.

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER





(Right) Pam Finn, Ellen Schmidt, Pam Brueckner, Kathie Krenek, Debra Morris and Phillip Wagner join the October street parade to boost the Ducks on to victory over Belton. (Far Right) Pam Carmack proudly accepts the coveted spirit stick as she is named "Most Spirited Student" at the "Beat Del Valle" pep rally.





(Above) Highlighting mock 1954 pregame festivities at the Homecoming Assembly, queen candidates are introduced with their "cool" escorts. Some of those presented were Scholley Buzan, Tim Pevehouse, Sue Ruzicka, Gary Lankford, Stancie Schwenker and Wade Williams. (Right) Kathie Krenek, Dorie Switzer, Sheila Mahlow, Donna Lutz, Becky Kubala, Nora Perez, Tammie Sefcik and Stephanie Schneider exhibit old clothes styles during "Fifties Days." RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Marianne Ponton, escorted by Scott Zetak, accepts a dozen red roses after being chosed Homecoming Queen by the entire student body. (Bottom Left) During the Auto Mechanics-sponsored car bash, Mike Hollowell lets out his secret frustrations. (Bottom Right) Typing I students strive for perfection and a ribbon in the door decorating contest.







PUMPKIN DAYS GO TO TURKEY CRAZE

Football spirit seemed to fill the air through October and November as the Ducks went into Bi-District play only to suffer a heart-breaking loss to Belton.

Homecoming activities dominated the scene as Nov. 8 was celebrated under the theme "The Way We Were?" In an assembly presented by the Student Senate, contemporaries and exes alike were entertained by the dubious talents of the Marching Kazoo Band and the Duckette football team. All the hard work paid off as the Ducks overpowered their foe both on the scoreboard and at half time.

Excitement due to a renewed ritual, a bonfire, increased spirit twice only to be dampened each time. According to tradition it rained before the Homecoming game and we could proudly boast, "No one can hold a match to our bonfire!" In an effort to rebuild the ill-fated pile of boxes after it was thoughtlessly burned to the ground by vandals, four THS students suffered serious injuries in a truck mishap.

So the gridiron season was over. But when footballs were dropped, spirits still soared as basketballs dribbled in.

November also provided a much needed break for all school personnel when Thanksgiving rolled in. However, as all good things must come to an end, so must Turkey Day Holidays, which paved the way into a cold December.

Thoughts Turn to Yuletide Season

With the beginning of December, students turned their thoughts to two weeks of vacation during the Christmas holidays. Yuletide spirit was boosted by FTA's door decorating contest and Drama Club's version of A CHRISTMAS CAROL.

Classes resumed on January 2, 1975, and students were involved in district basketball, preparations for the Band trip to the Mardi Gras and mid-term tests.

Although students did not have a White Christmas in Taylor, they did get some snow on January 12. Even though it did not stay forever, students had the chance to throw a snowball or two before it melted.

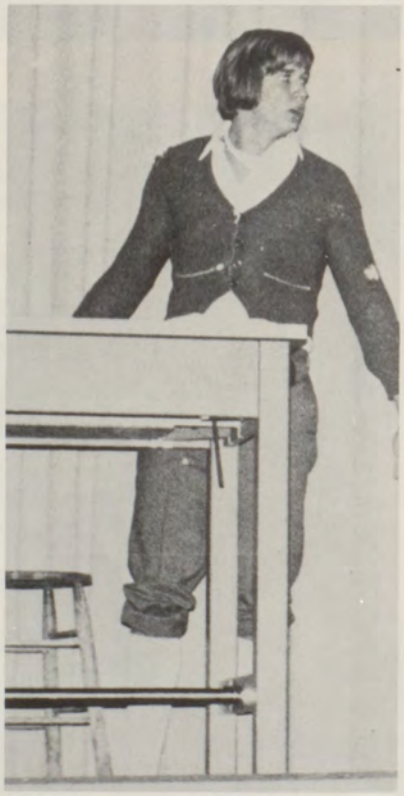
December and January was not too early for seniors to think of their education after graduation as they took entrance exams for college, while underclassmen began thinking about summer and another year of school.

Various reactions were brought on by three assemblies during January. Sam Gainer, Band of the West and the Sunshine Show performed.

After finishing nine weeks and mid-term tests, students could begin to think of the last half of the school year and graduation.









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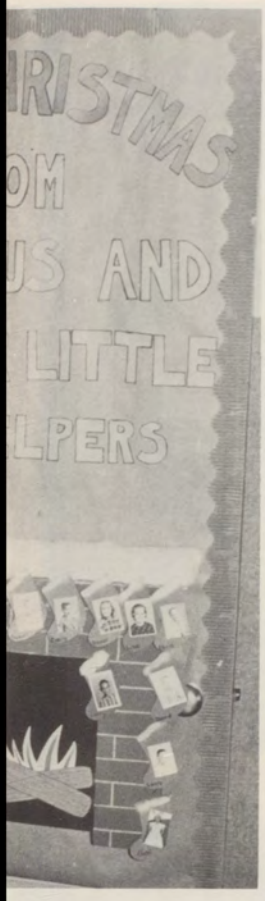
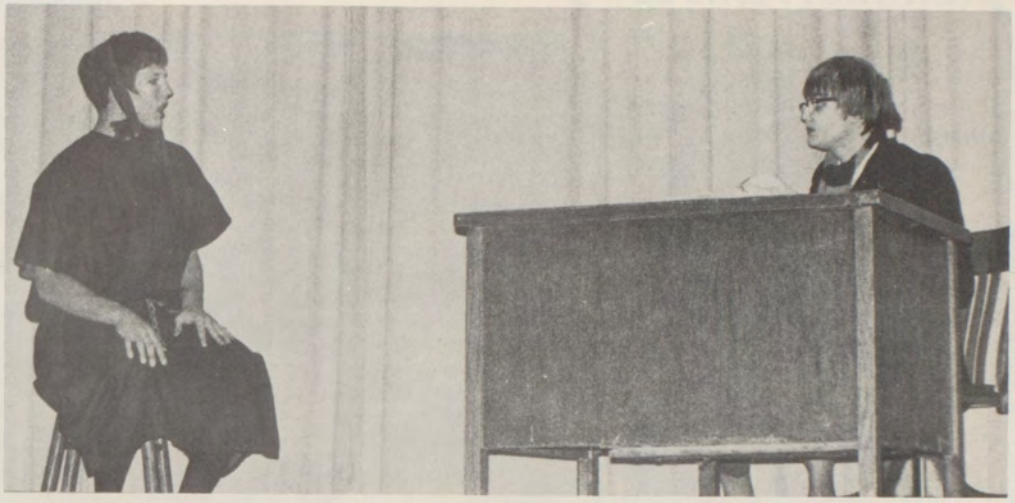
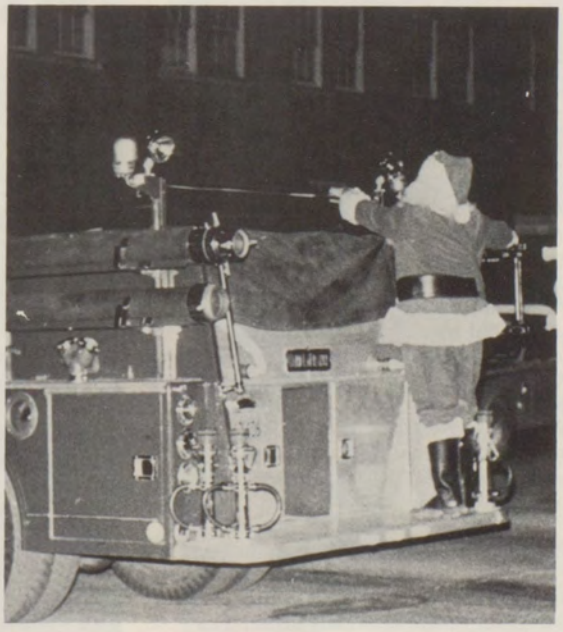










LEFT PAGE: (Upper Left) Snowy conditions give Taylor High a different look during January's icy temperatures. (Upper Right) Joyce Quebe and her helpers won first place with their door in the Future Teachers door contest. (Center) Juggling and balancing on a teeter board, Sam Gainer returned to Taylor for the first paid assembly of the year. (Above) During the Christmas assembly, Griffin Teggeman as Marley and David Honeycutt as Scrooge perform in A Christmas Carol. (Lower Left) January brought cold weather, as evidenced by the frozen fountains on Lake Drive. (Lower Left) In the Drama Club's portrayal of A Christmas Carol, Shelley Smith plays the part of Bob Cratchet. (Below) A city fire truck serves as a replacement for Santa's traditional deer-drawn sleigh as he enters downtown Taylor to greet Christmas shoppers.

FEBRUARY-MARCH

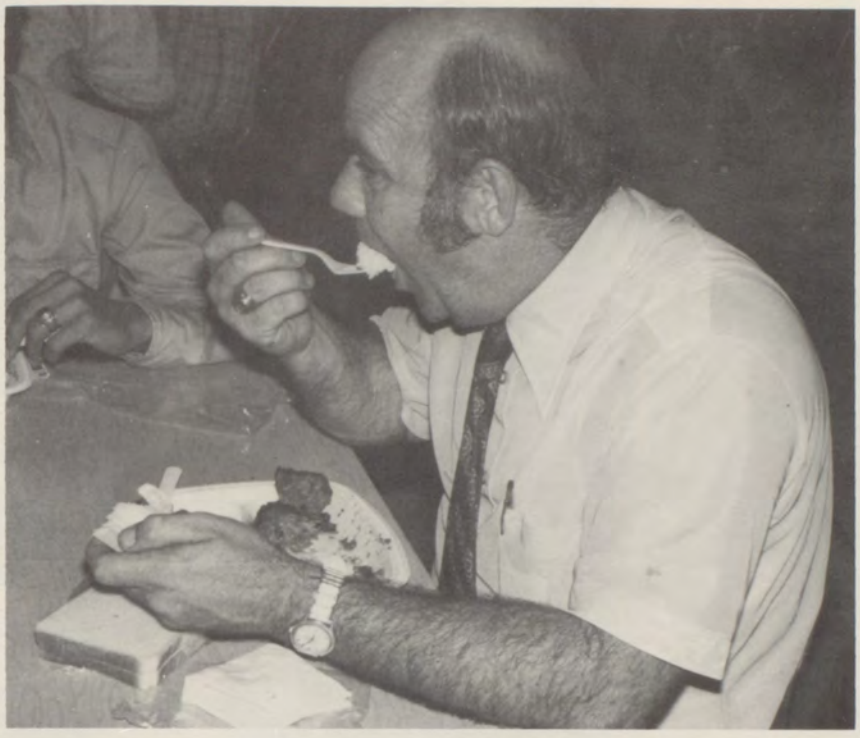








RIGHT PAGE: (Top) David Bates seems to be having a good time as he enjoys his food at the Junior class barbeque. (Bottom Right) Ace tennis player Doug Cotner practices to improve his abilities for the upcoming tournament. LEFT PAGE: (Top) First baseman Larry Loeve takes the last throw for an out to lead the Ducks to victory against Westlake. (Top Right) At the Future Teachers of America Convention Michael Bachmeyer and Donald Randig set up the campaign stand for Mickey McGee. (Above) Vocational Office Education members Sherry Pasemann, Bev Bearden, Debbie Vega, Amy Rowe, Charlotte Simcik, Shelley Wooldridge, Cindy Townsend, Carla Dial, Ruth Kincl and Delores Fojtik display the plaques they won at local contests. (Right) Waiting to leave and march in the seven mile long Mardi Gras Parade are Trisha Hobbs, Kim Holton, Margaret Urbanek and Johnny Roose.







Events Abound, Not Boredom

February and March brought a flurry of activities. The intercom system announced more club and class meetings and upcoming events.

On Fridays in February, conventions and contests took many students out of town. The Band participated in the Mardi Gras parade. Hi-Steppers and Distributive Education classes journeyed out of town for their contests. Future Teachers also left for their convention.

Besides our students leaving town, we had tracksters converging for the Cotton Boll Relays. Inside school, February proved to be the month for lovers as F.T.A. sponsored the carnation sale. School-shaking news arrived when people learned that the administration for next year would be different.

March winds brought changes of weather from warm to nearly freezing days. On the bright days, there were baseball and tennis games. Organizations expanded their memberships as National Honor Society and MALLARD announced new members.

Band members competed for ratings at Solo and Ensemble and played host to schools for Concert and Sightreading. Vocational Office Education students won honors at their contest, and Future Homemakers of America attended an area meet. Along with these events, the Junior class supplied a barbeque supper before a concert given by the Hardin-Simmons University Band.

Last Stages of Finality

The final two months of school brought a climax to the year with a surge of end-of-the-year activities. Various clubs and organizations held banquets, initiations, and chose new officers for the coming year.

Winning first at the State Meet in Dallas, the Vocational Office Education Parliamentary Procedure team advanced to national competition in Chicago. University Interscholastic League Literary contest was here for the second year and several of our students placed in the various events. Those trying out for Hi-Steppers, Twirlers or Drum Majors spent many hours learning routines.

"An Evening in Paradise" was the theme for the prom on which the juniors worked diligently to prepare. After receiving a I at Concert Contest, the Concert Choir took a three day tour to several North Texas towns. Library Club hosted a Bicentennial Day on April 18th to celebrate Taylor's centennial. On this occasion, a number of speakers were on hand in the library for everyone to hear after the assembly.

For some seniors, trying to keep an A average so as to be exempt from finals was a great task, while others found it difficult enough just to pass in order to graduate. However, graduation day came sooner than expected. With all the tears of happiness and sadness, seniors experienced the first step to a future all their own.



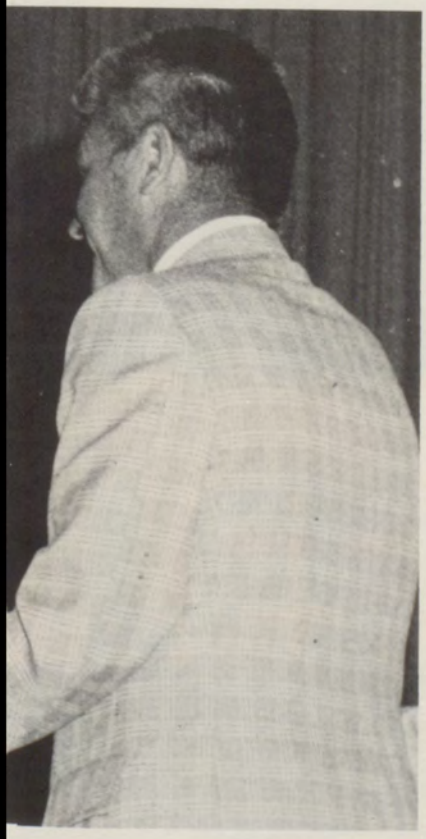




APRIL - MAY









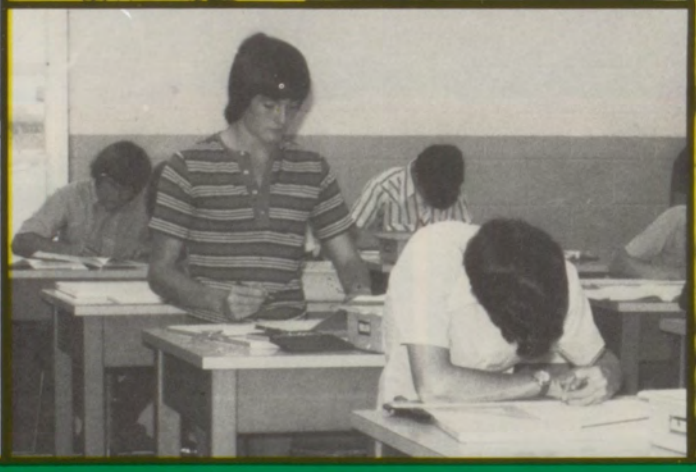
LEFT PAGE: (Upper) At the prom, Mary Gayton, Emil Carrizales, James Walton and Doug Kaspar dance to the music of "Reunion." (Lower Right) Judy Rhode pats her pony after her ride at the Spring Fling. (Lower Left) On graduation night, T. W. Holmstrom presents Patricia Hobbs with her diploma. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) Showing her freckles, Marianne Ponton portrays a typical senior on Kid Day. (Upper Right) Emil Carrizales and Johnny Roose study for the trigonometry final as Arthur Frerichs returns to his seat. (Above) Seniors wait for the processional to end to be seated at Baccalaureate.













Learning is what school is all about. At THS, various ways of teaching are implemented in order that every student may be reached.

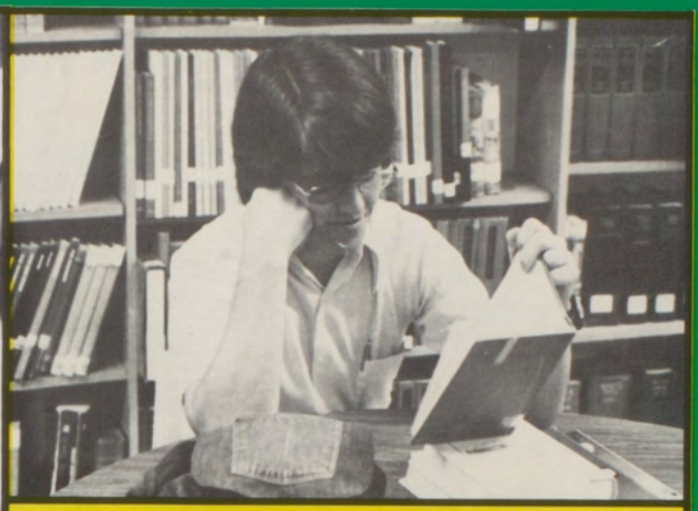
Taylor High spreads into different dimensions to provide a diverse atmosphere for all students.

Cutting up in class is something to look forward to, until Louisa Alvarez begins dissecting a frog in biology.

David Bogan finds that the library provides one of the few quiet atmospheres for studying.

Trigonometry is just a long word for a









LESSONS

short course that did not scare Curtis Stauffer.

Civic students, Walter Brister, Sofie Perez and Daniel Doss map out a course for their "Get Out to Vote" campaign.

Eric Cupp and other future architects take drafting seriously while they reconstruct model pictures.

Robert Grant Burns, from the Texas Commission on the Humanities and Arts, speaks to English classes on expression.

Individual assistance is not a thing of the past at THS; Jeanne Sherry aids Susan Price in her physical science lab.

Literary Magazine Is Revived



In 1921, THE STUDENT'S QUILL appeared and disappeared at Taylor High School. Now, half a century later, a literary magazine reappeared titled ETC.

This bi-annual magazine was created to give recognition to those who have talent in the various expressions of communication. ETC. consisted of original contributions of students - poems, pictures, short stories and drawings.

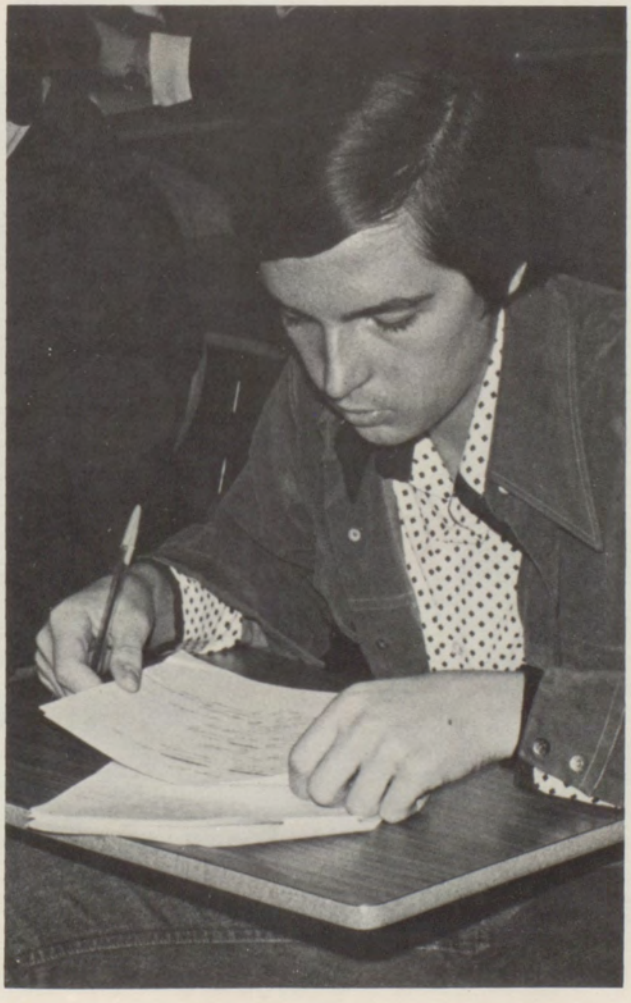
It was business as usual in English classes with students producing compositions, research reports, plays, skits and book reports. Latin and Spanish classes immersed themselves in cultural and language development.

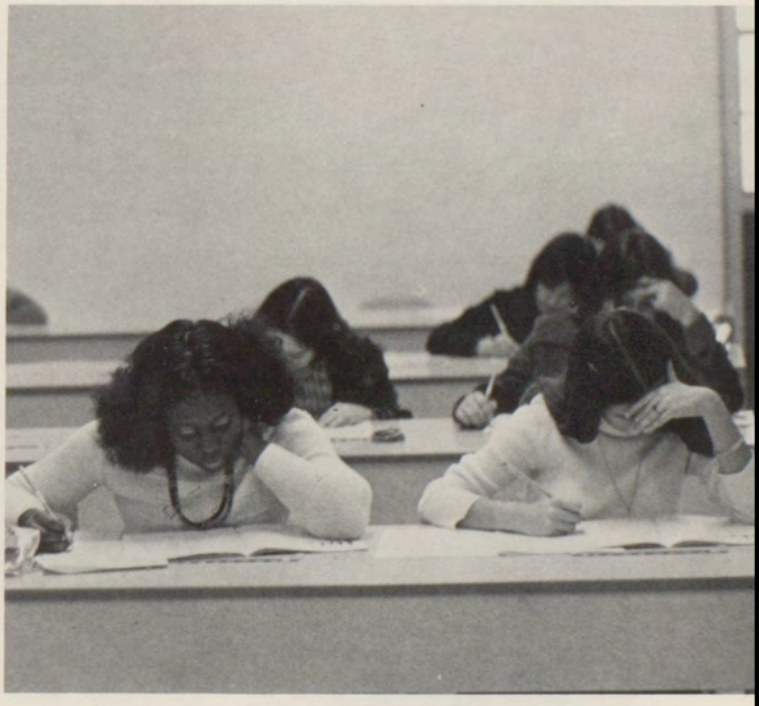






RIGHT PAGE: (Right) As they listen to Editor Alice Aanstoos and Advisors Mary Kay Gotcher and Patty Clark, ETC. staff members Rodney Bohls, Randy McGee and Marianne Ponton consider the difficulties in producing the magazine. Other members of the staff are Barbara Huser and Cheryl Raesz. (Bottom Left) To be helpful, Gabriel Torres brings a stack of dictionaries to his classmates. (Bottom Right) The READER'S GUIDES provide much information for Chris Marshall, Randy McGee and Scott Zetak as they uncover new sources for their research. RIGHT PAGE: (Left) As usual, Latin II students strenuously try to disclose the meaning of the translation before them. (Bottom Left) Deep in thought, Bret Harbors concentrates on putting his ideas down on paper for an English theme. (Bottom Right) Members of one of the Spanish classes work to complete a lab before the period is over.



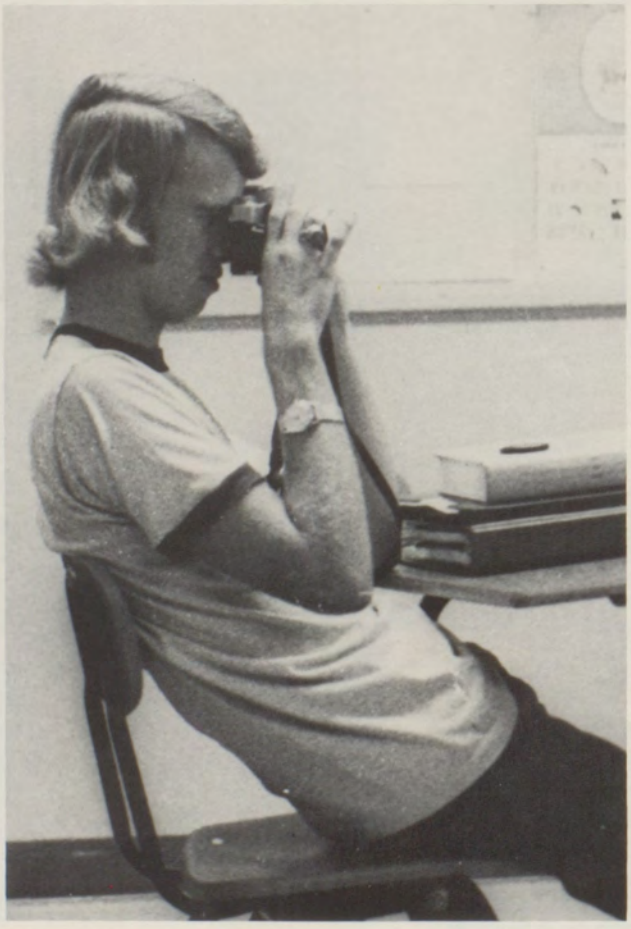


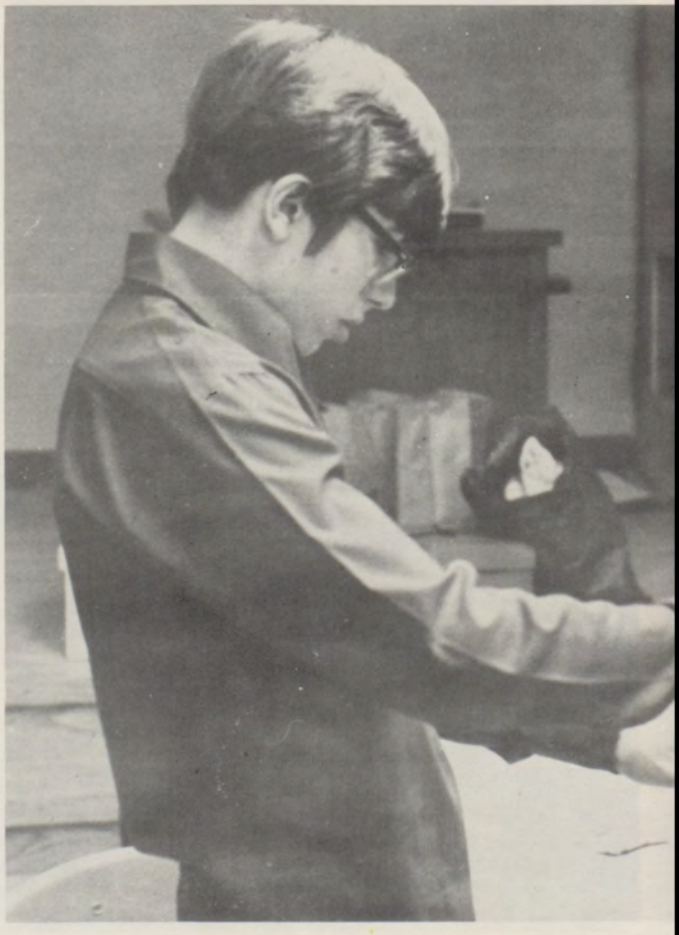
Dedication Is the Key to Achievement

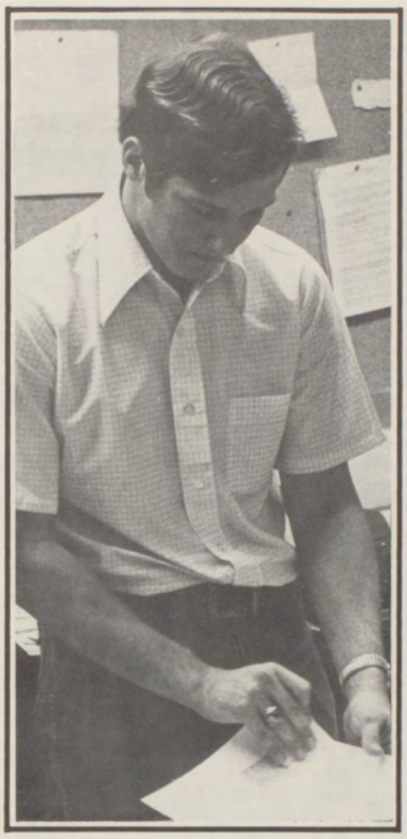
Skits, speeches and commercials filled class time for many Speech I and II students. These were put to practical use in preparing some students for the one act play, the Optimist Club speech contest and University Interscholastic League literary events.

Both MALLARD and COTTON BOLL staffers were constantly trying to beat the calendar to meet deadlines. Headlines had to count right, copy had to fit and pages had to be proofread. To help solve various problems and to acquire newer and better ideas, both staffs attended the Interscholastic League Press Conference convention at the University of Texas in Austin.

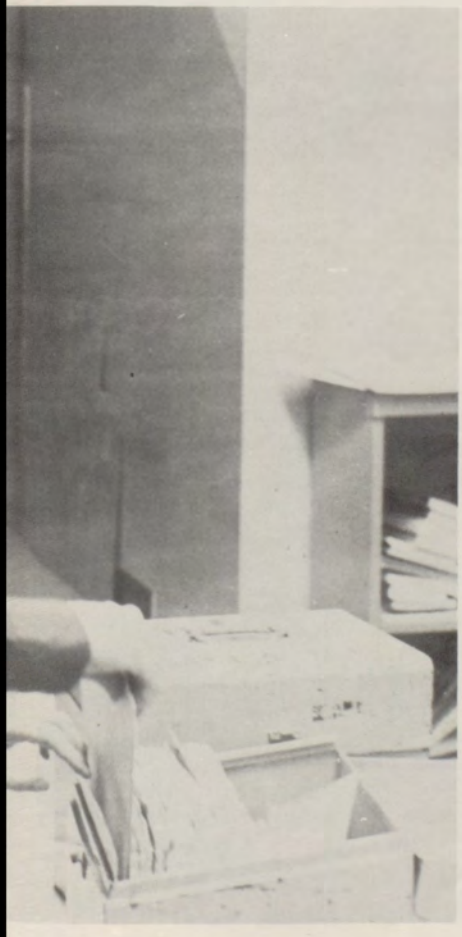








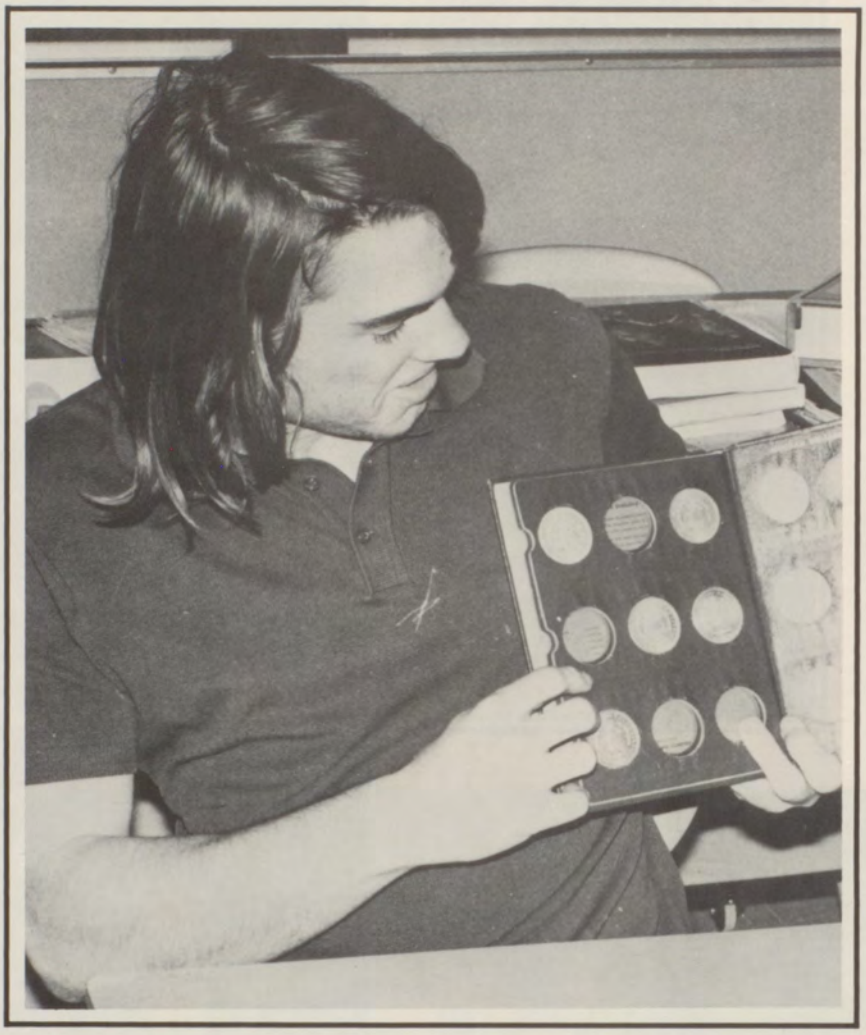






LEFT PAGE: (Above Right) As Kandice Poldrack crops another picture, Alice Aanstoos organizes her material for the rest of the copy staff. (Bottom Left) Michael Bachmeyer always seems to be ready, even in class, to snap a picture of someone caught off guard. RIGHT PAGE: (Above Left) Greg Teggeman proofreads his story one last time before it goes to the press. (Above Right) To find the right pictures for their pages Sofie Perez, David Wingate, Joy Ponkoney and Mickey McGee look them over. (Above) While introducing a new shaving cream to their speech class, Jimmy Scrivner, Dan Wuthrich and Tim Bulgerin experiment on Patrick Jones. (Left) Gathering information on his speech topic, Gilbert Mokry searches the files.

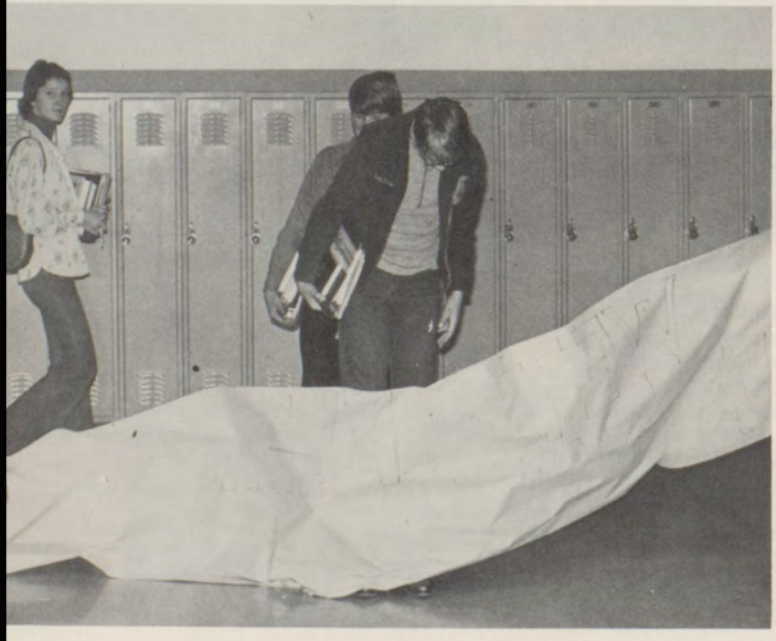
Historians Explore Past and Present



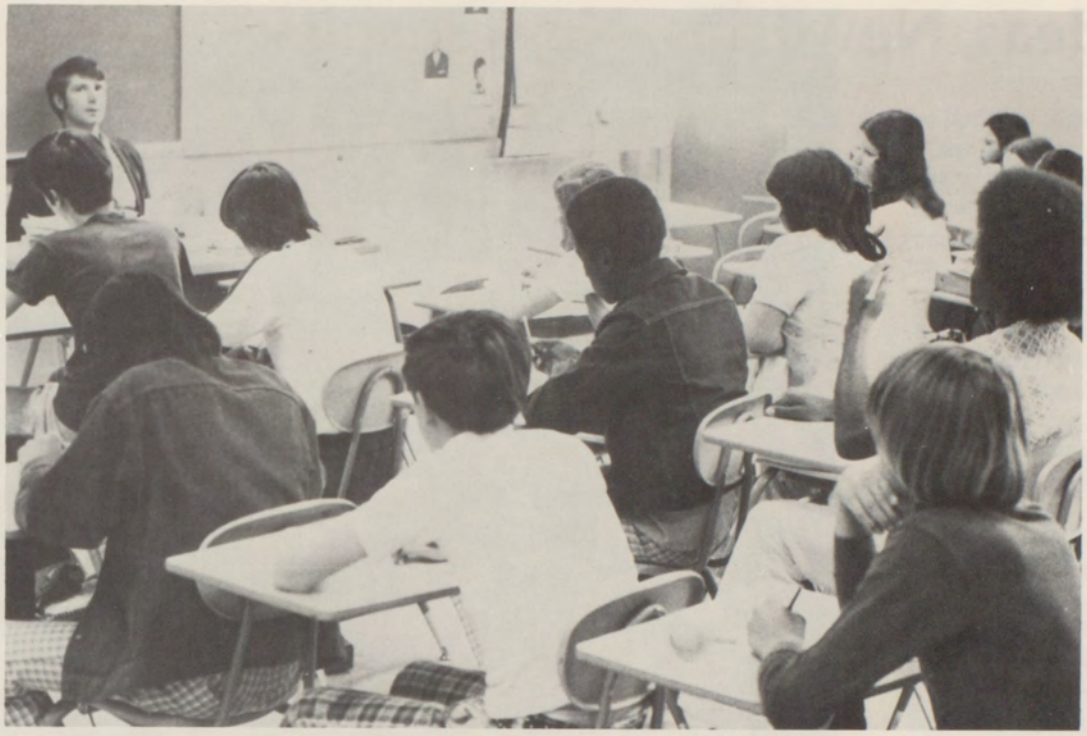
Students in jail, barricades in the hall - a student revolt? No, just social studies class projects in action.

While studying human behavior, sociology classes conducted an interesting experiment by placing a "wet floor" sign on the dry hall floor to see how everyone would react. At first, everyone just looked at the sign and detoured. Finally, one brave soul broke the barrier and then crowds followed. Civics students took a field trip to the local jail and ran city offices for one day. Texas History classes made an in-depth study on the past of Texas to gain more knowledge on their state.

For World History and American History, interviewing the elderly, watching films, doing newspaper exercises, taking notes and working work sheets made dates, places, people and causes take on a deeper meaning.









LEFT PAGE: (Above) Daniel Doss proudly describes his coin collection as he shows it to members of his Texas History class. (Bottom Left) David Heap and Guy Nelson try to figure out why the "wet floor" sign is barring the dry hall floor as Kathy Vrana passes by to see what all the commotion is about. (Bottom Right) After one semester of government is concluded, civics books are turned in only to be given out next semester to a different class. RIGHT PAGE: (Above) While his students listen intently, Don Jones talks about America's past. (Left) Charles Pool prepares the film projector, a familiar sight in his World History classes.

New Ideas, New Labs, New Results

Science classes were reduced to physical science, biology and chemistry as there was no physics class. Most students felt that the three classes were plenty to handle.

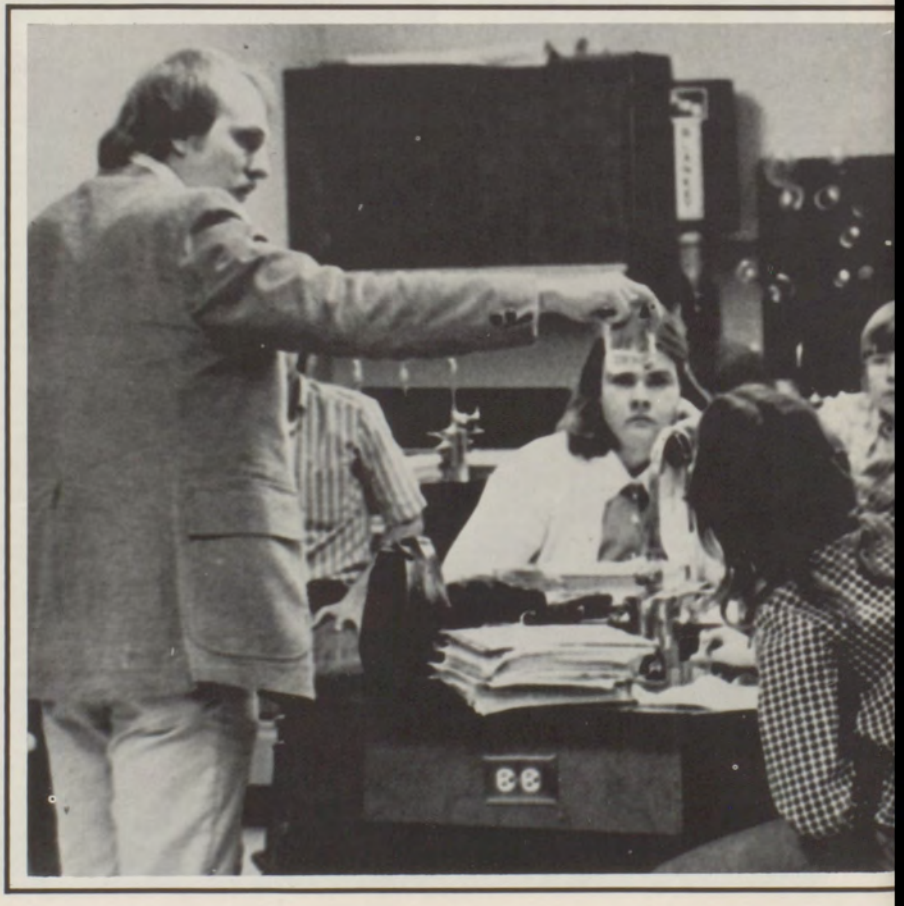
Students in the physical science classes changed from the traditional teaching to a lab-type situation. Actually working with batteries, simple machines and chemicals helped explain scientific concepts.

The biology classes continued doing labs based on currently learned material. Dissecting frogs and typing blood were the most infamous labs, enjoyable to some but bringing shudders to others.

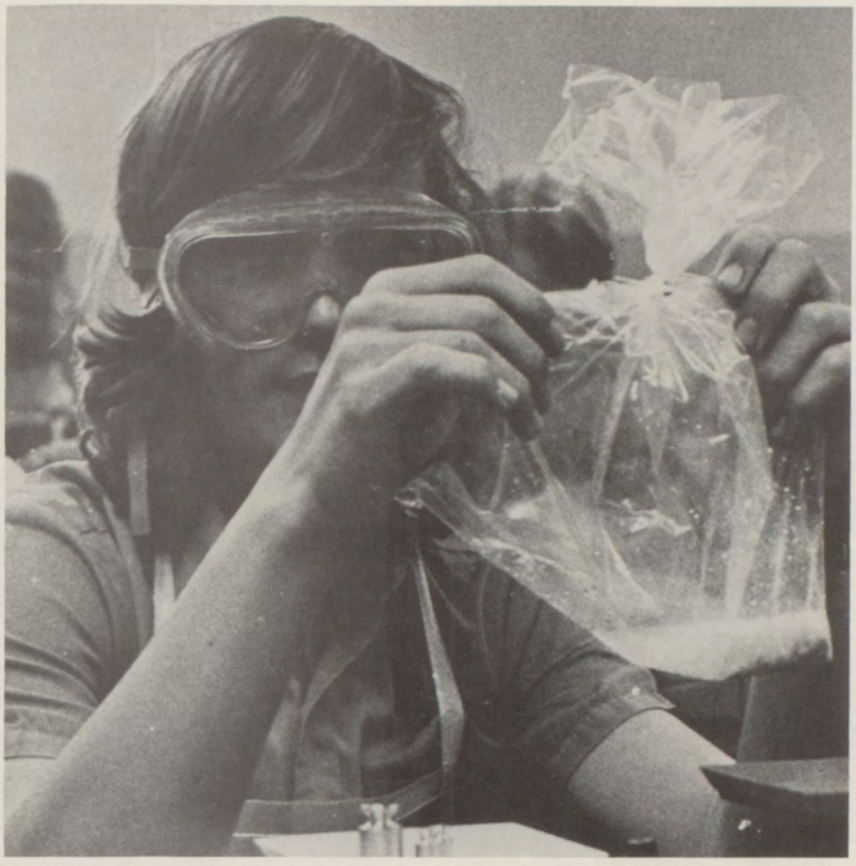
Although the chemistry classes were still taught in the straight-from-the-book way, they were never dull. They had surprises from the evacuation of the school due to a dropped bottle of bromine to a stray kitten in the chemistry room.

Throughout the year, science classes brought groans because they were so difficult but they also challenged students with new concepts and experiences.

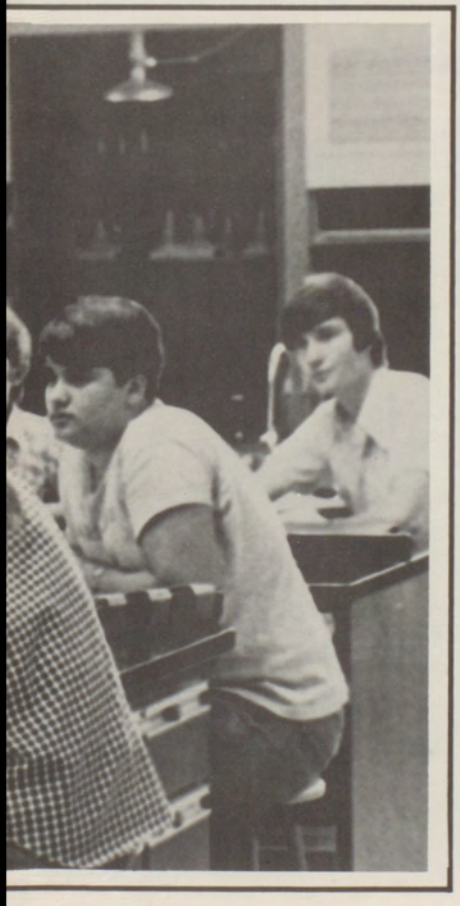


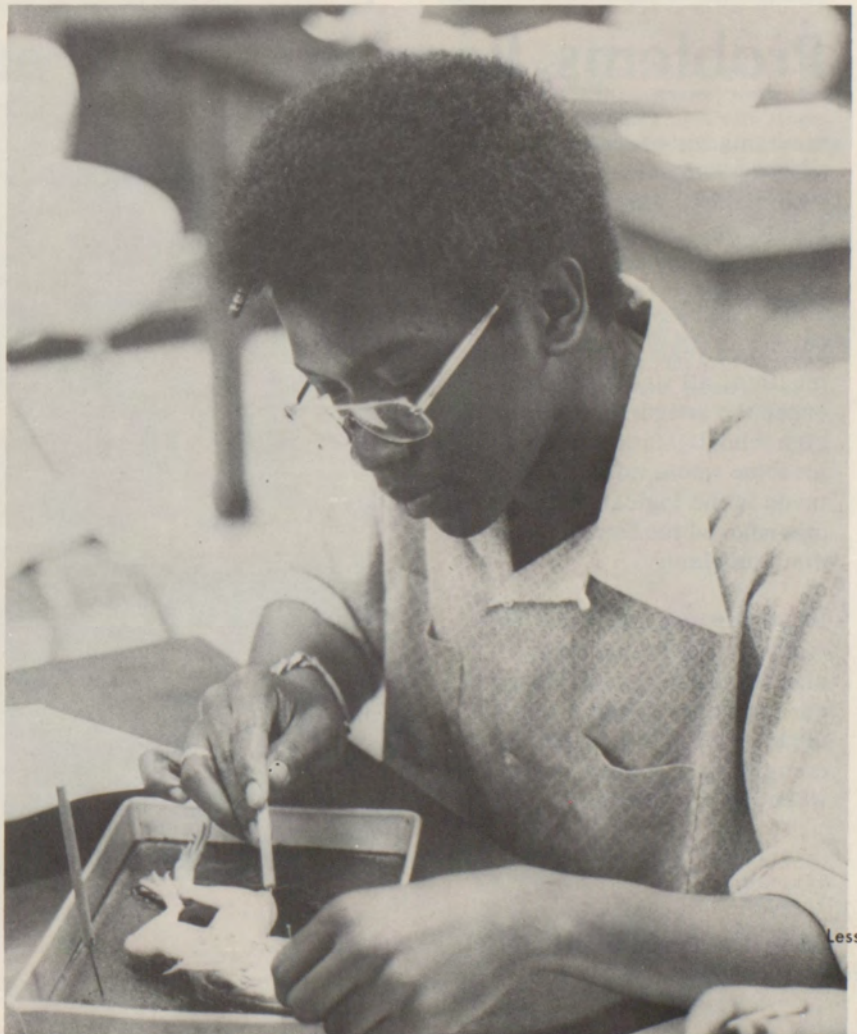




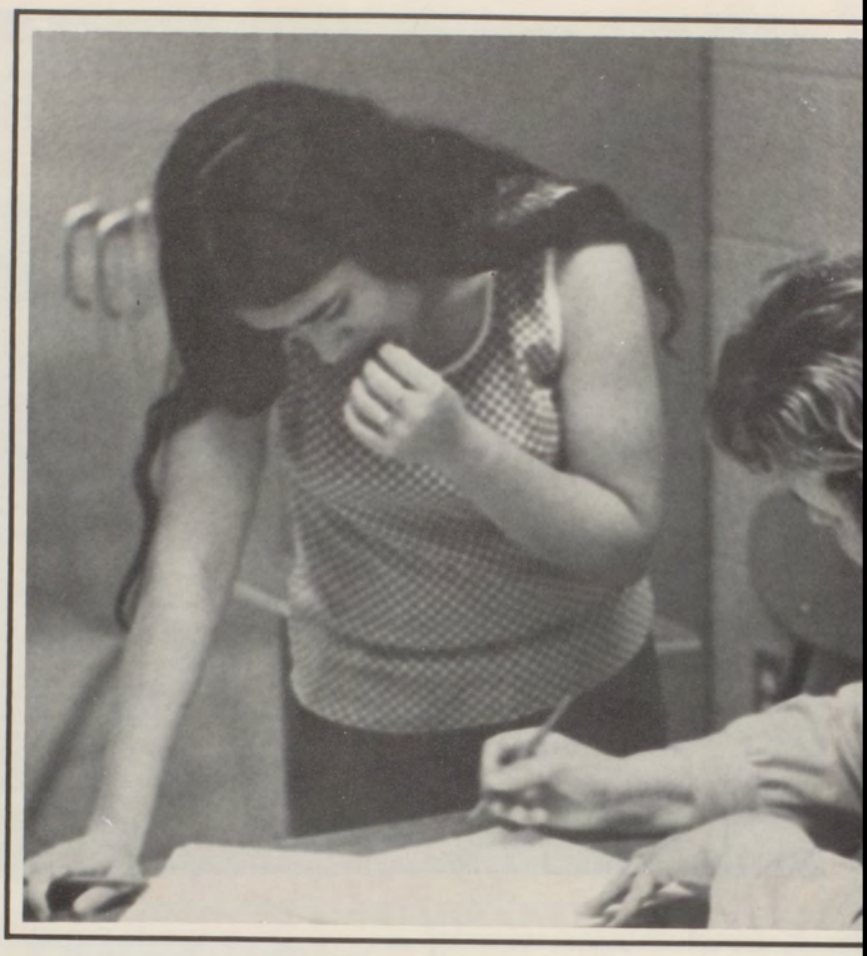


LEFT PAGE: (Top) David Marcon looks on as Jeanne Sherry shows the reaction of hydrochloric acid with different substances. (Bottom Left) Mickey McGee, Wade Williams and Lisa Corbett concentrate on a difficult problem during a chemistry test. (Bottom Right) In biology class, Jack Rambo displays to his students an example of a certain class of animal. RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Using extreme caution, Kenny Flannery finishes a lab dealing with chemical reactions in his physical science class. (Bottom) Harvey Randle delicately dissects a frog in biology in order to see first hand the anatomy of an animal.









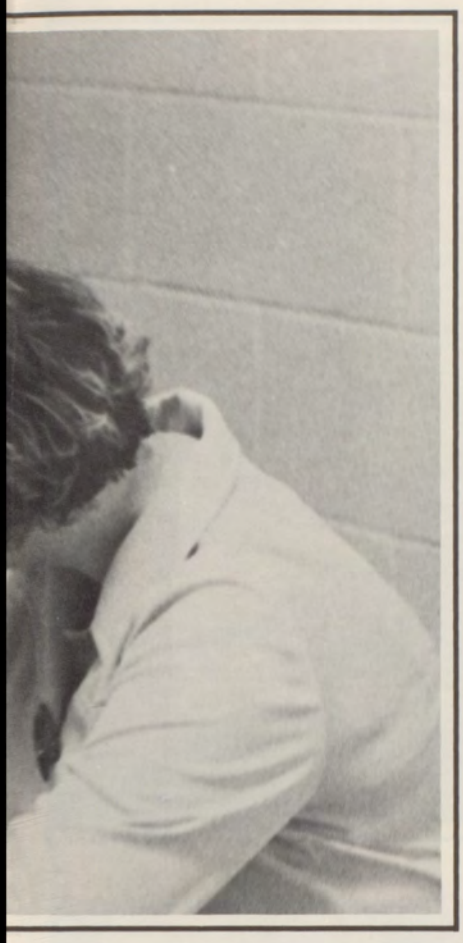
Problems, Pondering and Pencils

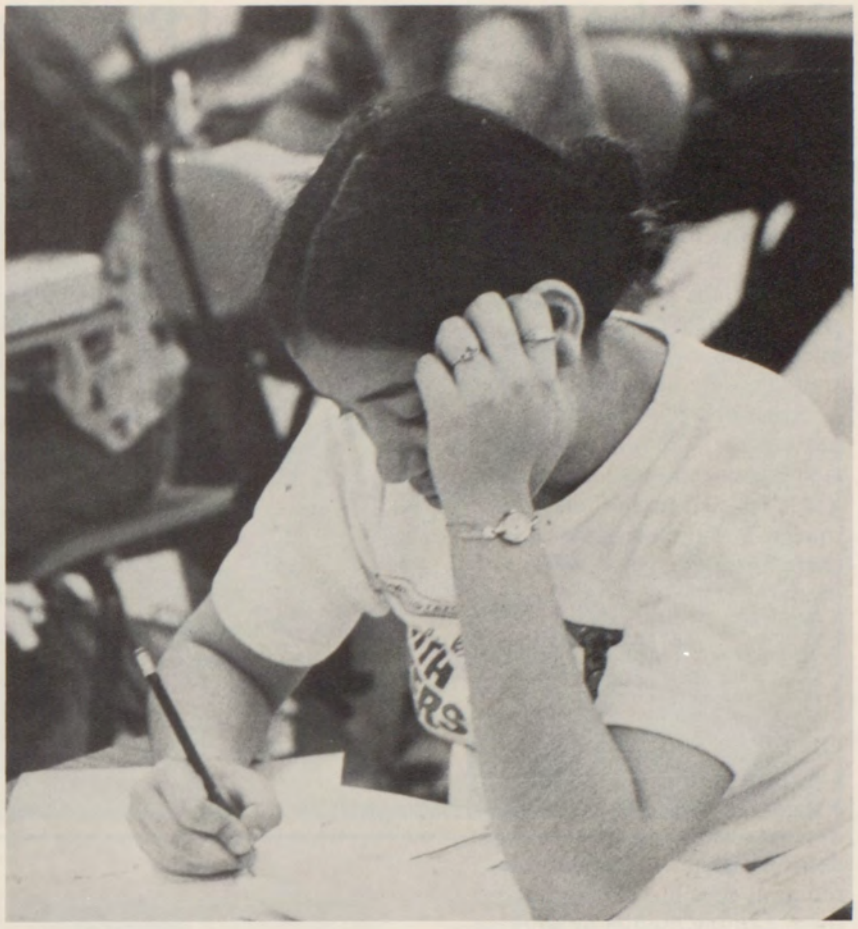
Mathematics was one of the widest ranges of courses offered. From Related Math to Trigonometry, classes were filled with concentration, problems and lots of erasers.

Since two years of math are required, all students experienced the assignments during high school. Math was a drudge for some whose minds were not made in the logical vein, but others loved the intricacies of the math problems.

Whether struggling through the two years, or taking extra classes, math students shared certain things in common - a dread of tests, a satisfaction in completing a problem and relief when the year was over.









LEFT PAGE: (Top Left) Going to the board is common in trigonometry, where Kandice Poldrack copies a homework assignment. (Top Right) Dot Gilligan gives aid as Rachel Valdez thinks over a difficult problem. (Bottom) Students discover that plane geometry is a different type of math class when they try to prove mathematical theorems. RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Emily Chapa finds that concentration is essential when working on math assignments. (Bottom) Lisa Campos and Becky Garcia work on a new set of problems in math class where homework never seems to stop coming.

Special Aid for Special People

Besides the normal classroom situations, Taylor High also offered a different setting for students who found problems in keeping up with their classmates.

Resource labs were for students who had no learning disabilities and normal capabilities. These students were deprived of the necessary basic skills in their early years. Consequently, these students became one or more grade levels behind their classmates. Resource rooms enabled them to improve reading and math skills.

A special services room provided a space for students with special problems. People with learning disabilities who needed individualized help in certain subjects were in this program. The concept was aimed to get these students in as many regular classrooms as possible and also had them earning credits by working at jobs.









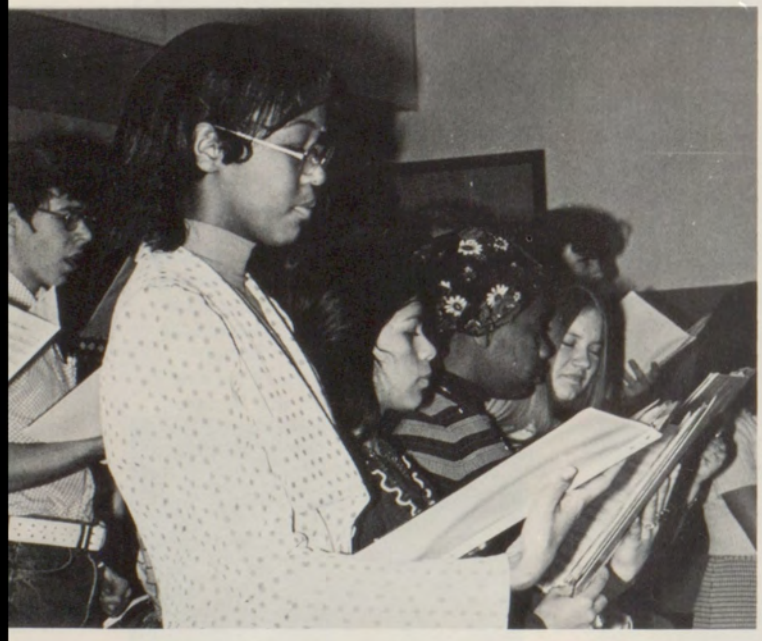


LEFT PAGE: (Top) Working together to master a subject, Diane Oranday and Debra Freeman put their heads together over a question. (Bottom Left) Sarah Stoll carries out the regular classroom typing work in the resource room. (Bottom Right) Betty Porter looks on Michael Goin's work to see if he has completed his assignment. RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Rodney Ripple starts on a new concept as Hallie Streit checks the paper he just turned in. (Bottom) Jimmy Grimm listens to one of the new audio-visual learning aids that incorporates a cassette and filmstrip to cover a topic.

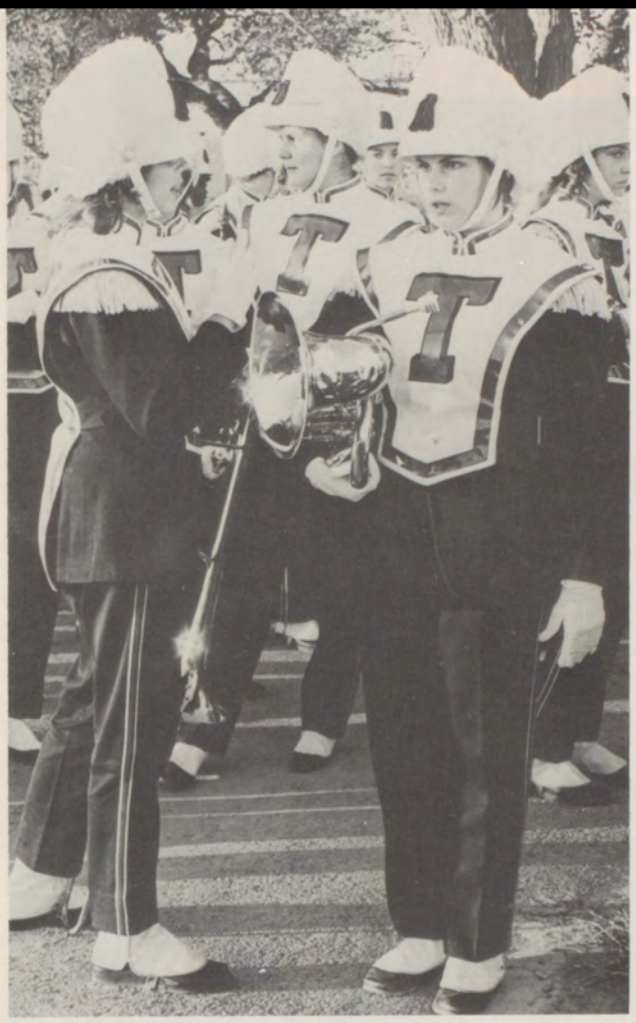
Musicians Drill for Good Quality

Musicians at Taylor High discovered that practice was the key to a successful performance. Daily, both band and choir rehearsed selections over and over in preparation for concerts, assemblies, contests and various other performances. Balance, blend and tuning were three major concerns which our musicians had to deal with. Excitement over superior ratings, choir members making district and region choir, the band's trip to the Mardi Gras and having other talented musicians come and perform made 1975 a record year for our music makers.











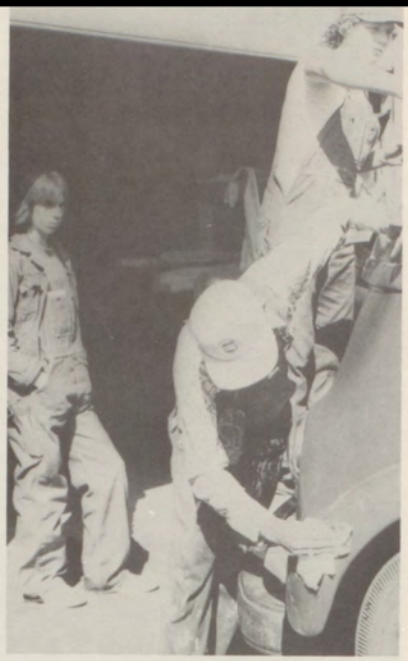


LEFT PAGE: (Above) Leading the prayer during the Sunday morning fellowship on the Band's trip to Louisiana is James Nira. (Bottom Left) Sopranos Carla Nickerson, Linda Trevino, Hannah Hooks and Sharon Brown silently count out their rests while the rest of the Choir continues singing. (Bottom Right) Playing in the halls before a pep rally, Steven Sutton, Marianne Ponton and Johnny Roose once again blast the familiar strains of the Fight Song. RIGHT PAGE: (Above Left) Band members Terri Briggs and Molly Stone nervously discuss the marching contest routine as the time for the Band's performance draws nearer. (Above Right) Elroy Stoglin, Phillip Zavala and Paul Knox listen closely as Larry Koonce, Choir director, gives instructions and explanations of new music. (Left) Even though contest is two months away, Concert Choir practices earnestly on one of their competition numbers.

Students Learn Skill From Vocation Program

The Vocational Education program continued to grow this year with more courses being offered and more students being involved in the program.

Students were given the opportunity to learn a trade through on-the-job training. Not only did the program teach students a trade but also a possible profession upon graduation from high school.















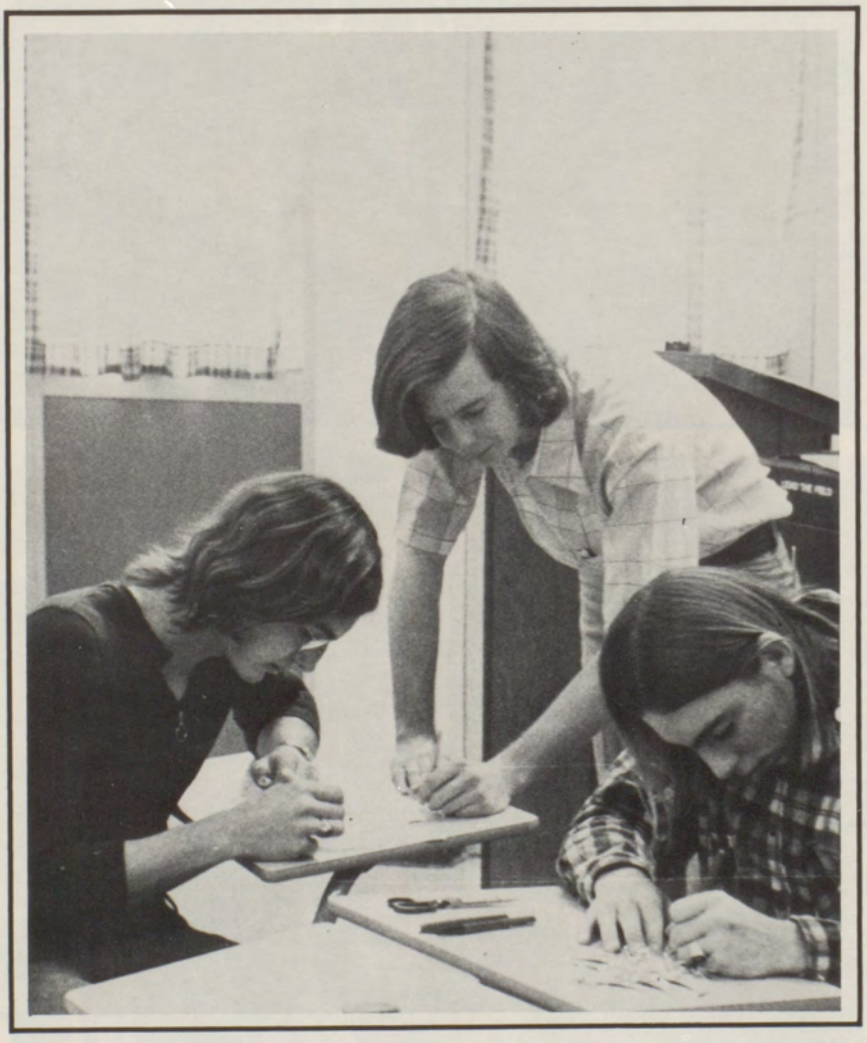
LEFT PAGE: (Above Right) Eddie Hertz watches Kenneth Balusek and Mike Hollowel put the final touches on a wax job. (Left) John Berry and drafting teacher Charles Schroeder examine John's scale drawing. (Center) Making sure the auto mechanic building stays clean, Joe DeLaRosa sweeps up at the end of morning class. (Below Right) Rex Schneider, Steve Ging and Doug Mikulencak work on putting a welding compressor back together. RIGHT PAGE: (Above Left) Sandra Banks fixes her typewriter ribbon before getting down to work on her typing assignment. (Above) Elroy Stoglin works on his drawing with Harvey Randall, Mr. Schroeder and Doug Alexander watching every move. (Center) Jeffery Balusek and David Stolte await their turn to show their steers in the Taylor Livestock Show. (Below) Chris Calvin, Ricky Alford, Teresa Janek and Baldamar Salazar paint trash cans for the Williamson County Activity Center.



















LEFT PAGE: (Above Left) Terry Lindemann, Trey Buzan, Donna Repa and Pam Wyche concentrate on speed and accuracy in Typing I classes. (Above Right) Homemaking students work on making their own clothes. (Middle Left) Homemaking teacher, Mary Frances, helps Teri Roose with her dress pattern. (Below Right) Wayne Cuba, Harry Schroeder and Mickey Crowell work on decorations for a Christmas bulletin board. (Below Left) Crispin Valdez and Craig Garrett work with the electric saw in afternoon Building Trade class. RIGHT PAGE: (Above) Sarah Berry tries to figure the dimensions of her drawing in drafting. (Left) Ricky Bubenik studies his Typing I assignment before he starts.

Fitness, Fun: A Healthy Combination

Setting speed records for dressing in less than five minutes, both boys' and girls' physical education classes had a busy year participating in many different sports.

Daily classes started off with various exercises and then students would participate in a variety of athletic activities.

When weather permitted, boys' classes ventured outside to play flag football or softball, while girls participated in track or softball.

One day out of the week was devoted to studying the functions of the human body.

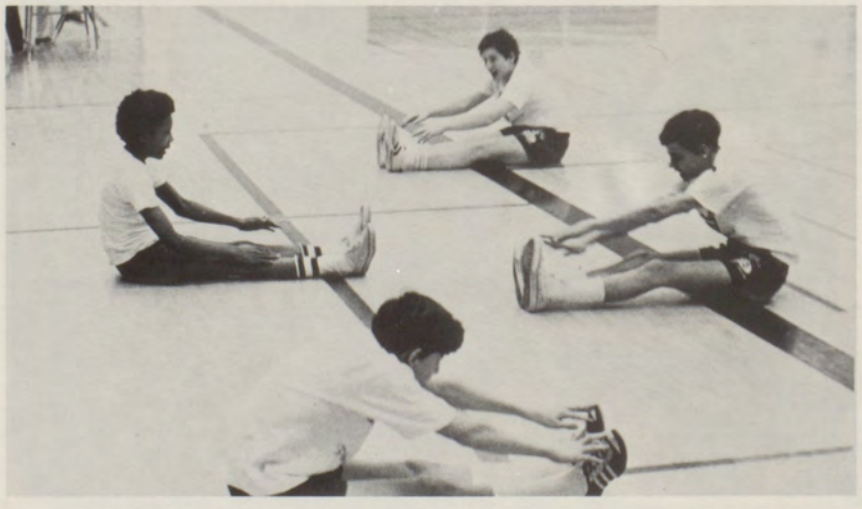
Physical education classes went past the definition, training and developing the human body, but brought about good fun in athletics.





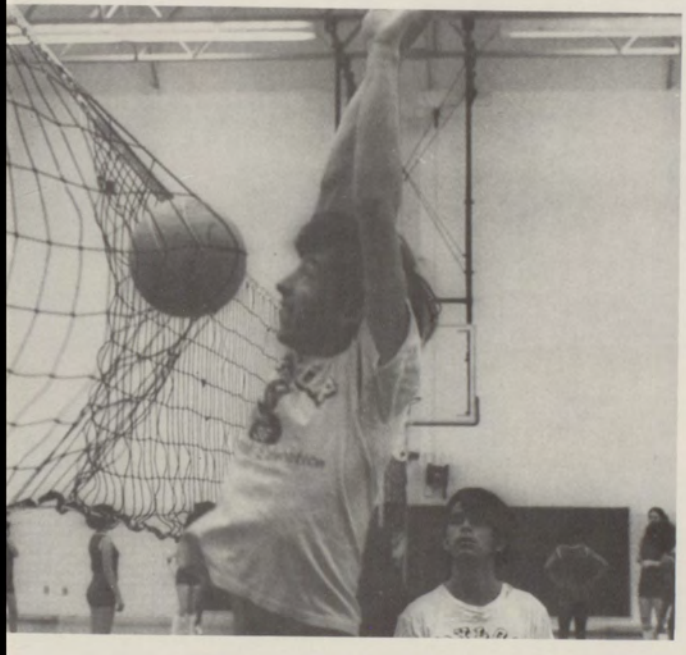












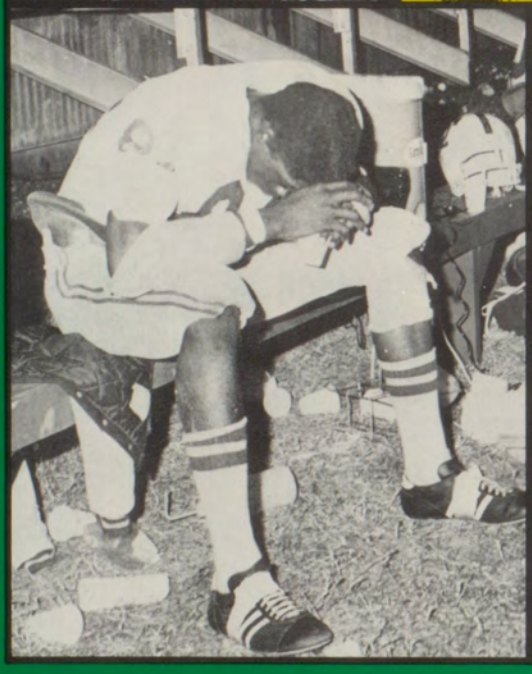


LEFT PAGE: (Top) Louis Tamez, Mark Cuba, Michael Bruce and Stephen Janke fight for a rebound during a third period P.E. (Far Left) Attempting a lay-up, Steven Kovar drives around Mark Cuba. (Middle Left) Patrick Jones loosens up by jogging around the basketball court. (Middle Right) A different dimension of physical education classes, boys and girls compete against each other in volleyball. (Bottom) A daily part of P.E., boys classes start off with various exercises. RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Mary Carmona prepares to hit the birdie. (Above) Mark Cuba stumbles as Steven Kovar dribbles for the basket. (Left) Vickie Randig gets into the swing of things by playing badminton.













In a school with so many different personalities, there are naturally several who excel. These students are recognized for accomplishments in their own field and congratulated for their efforts.

As Melodie Slagle accompanies her, Cynthia Jozwiak performs her first division clarinet solo.

Frances Lee measures honor graduate, Griffin Teggeman, for his graduation cap and gown.

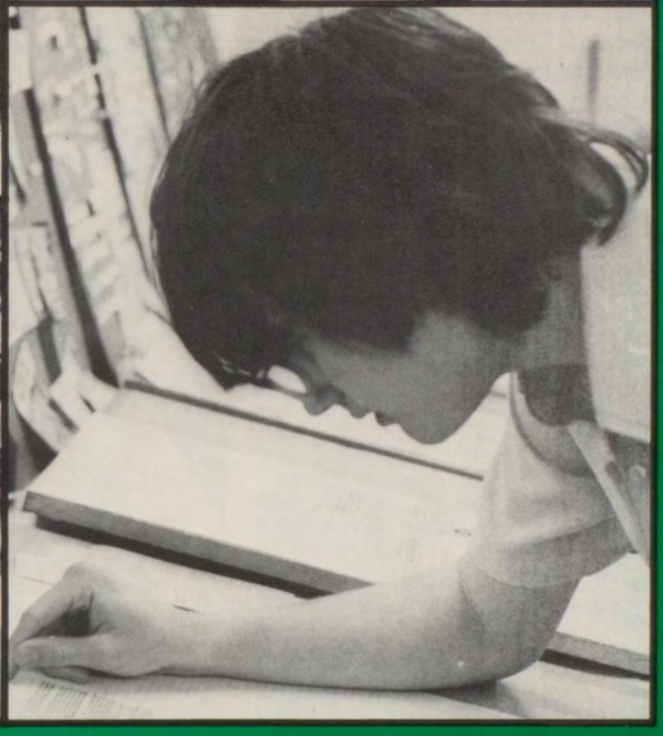
Marianne Ponton and Kandice Poldrack stand proudly after being named salutatorian and valedictorian, respectively.

Homecoming Queen nominees Valerie









MERITS

Cox, Joy Ponkoney, Marianne Ponton, Tina Tiemann and Jan Walker proudly sit around the THS State Champion memorial.

All-State defensive end, Elroy Stoglin, takes a breather during another tough football game.

Sharon Young sits proudly after being named the Betty Crocker award recipient.

A bouquet of a dozen red roses represents the coveted title of Homecoming Queen, presented each year to a senior girl.

Always studying, David Honeycutt shows why he is a National Merit Finalist.

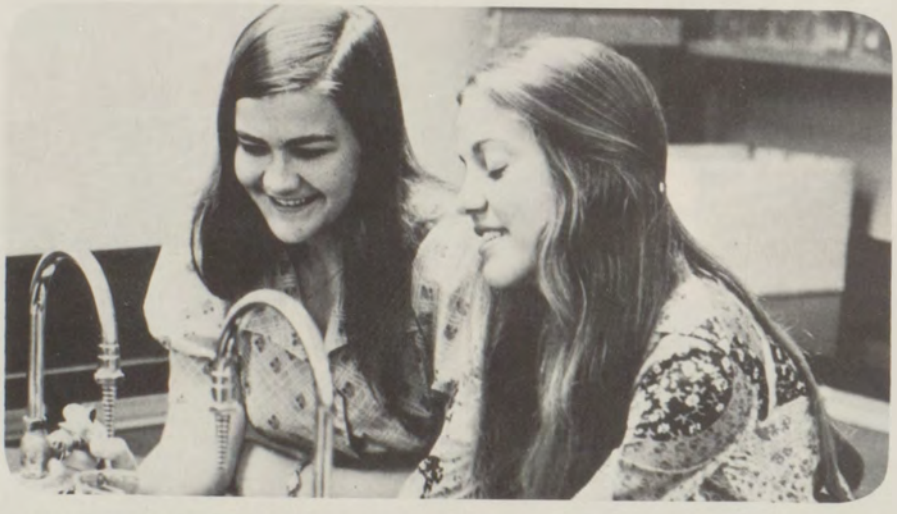
Girls Gain Top Honors

Valedictorian Kandice Poldrack has many academic honors to her credit. In addition to being an honor graduate, she was awarded the National Honor Society Scholarship, received the academic award three years, won University Interscholastic League Band medals, placed in Interscholastic League Press Conference competition, was named to Who's Who 1974-1975, and she was awarded the Danforth Foundation Award. Kandice's activities reflected her responsibility. She was president of the Future Teachers of America, MALLARD editor, NHS treasurer, Band section leader and a Student Senate member.

Salutatorian Marianne Ponton was presented with the Balfour Award in addition to winning three academic awards and several Band medals. Besides serving as vice president of the Band, Marianne also sang in the Concert Choir and Women's Choir. A member of NHS and vice president of Teens Aid the Retarded, she also filled the position of business manager for the newly created literary magazine, ETC. Marianne's popularity is evident as she has been elected by her peers as a goodfellow, Choir sweetheart, Band sweetheart, Homecoming queen, Cotton Boll Relays queen and Miss THS.



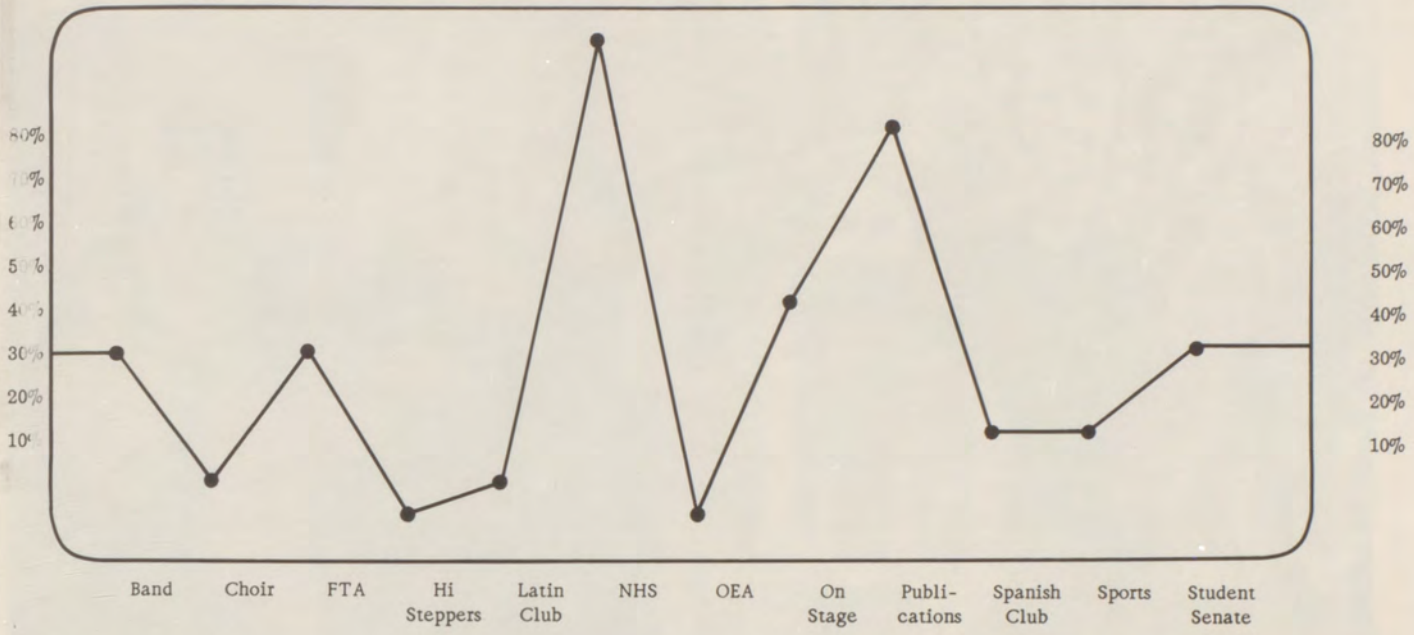








15 Seniors Come Out on Top





Honor graduates had much more on their hands besides just studying for good grades. Extracurricular clubs and organizations had them involved in school functions almost constantly. At top is a graph indicating the number of top grads in various clubs. Honor graduates are Greg Teggeman, Curtis Stauffer, Mike Bachmeyer, David Honeycutt, Karen Remmel, Marianne Ponton, Candy Walker, Kandice Poldrack, Alice Aanstoos, Arthur Frerichs, Donald Randig, Debbie Vega, Janice Kaspar, Sofie Perez and Griffin Teggeman.

Assembly Recognizes Top Students









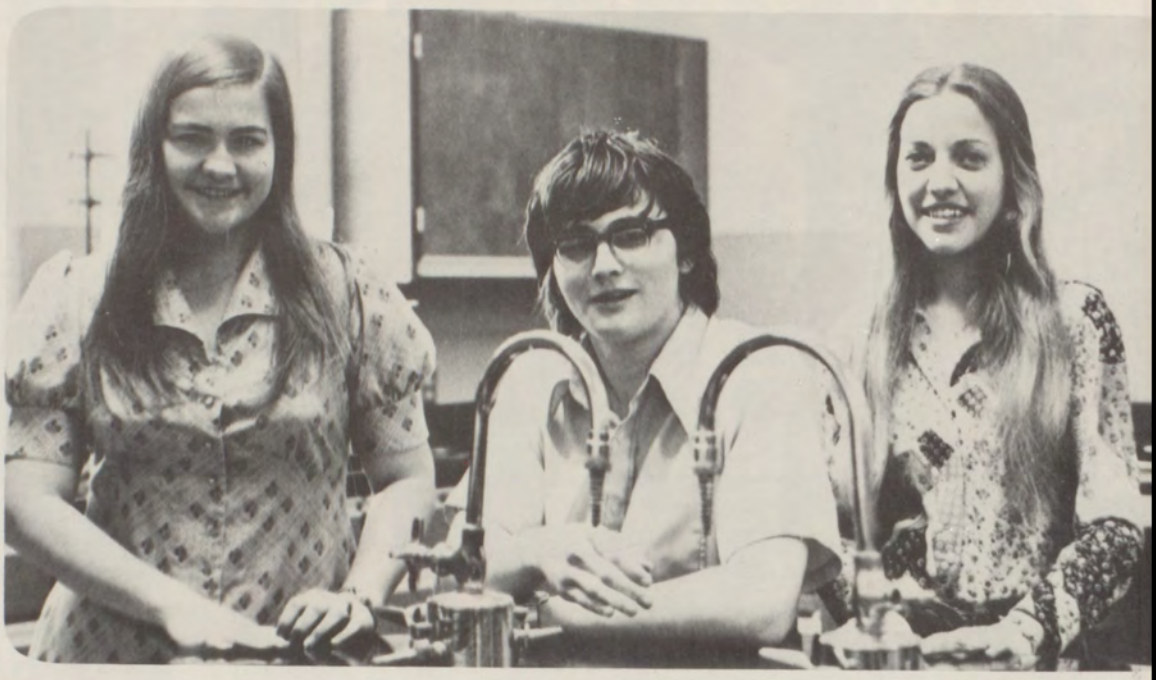






LEFT PAGE: ABOVE LEFT: Recipients of the Danforth Award are Michael Bachmeyer and Kandice Poldrack. Marianne Ponton is the winner of the Balfour Award. ABOVE RIGHT: Writing the winning essays in the Flag Contest are Isabel Soza, Gilbert Mokry, Larry Washington, David Honeycutt and Delia Contreras. BELOW LEFT: Receiving certificates for writing the most inches in the COTTON BOLL are Michael Bachmeyer and Alice Aanstoos. BELOW RIGHT: Winners of various scholarships are Debbie Vega, Bobby Wilks Memorial; Hannah Hooks, music scholarship; Kandice Poldrack, National Honor Society and Sandra Banks, Future Teachers of America. RIGHT PAGE: Other award winners include Debbie Vega, Business and Professional Women's Club; Mike Bachmeyer, Texas Chemical Council; Susan Tate, outstanding Industrial Cooperative student and Cynthia Loeve, A.M. House Award. UPPER RIGHT: Voice of Democracy winners are Griffin Teggeman, Daniel Doss and Dan Wutrich. ABOVE: Academic award winners are Susan Ponton, Lisa Corbett, Susan Harris, Janis West, Kathryn Kotrla, Marianne Ponton, Kandice Poldrack, Janice Kaspar, Alice Aanstoos, Jennifer Henderson, Cindy Bittner, Cheryl Raesz, Randall Bachmeyer, Renee Scott, Barbara Huser, Monica Vittek, Diana Sherek and Greg Teggeman.

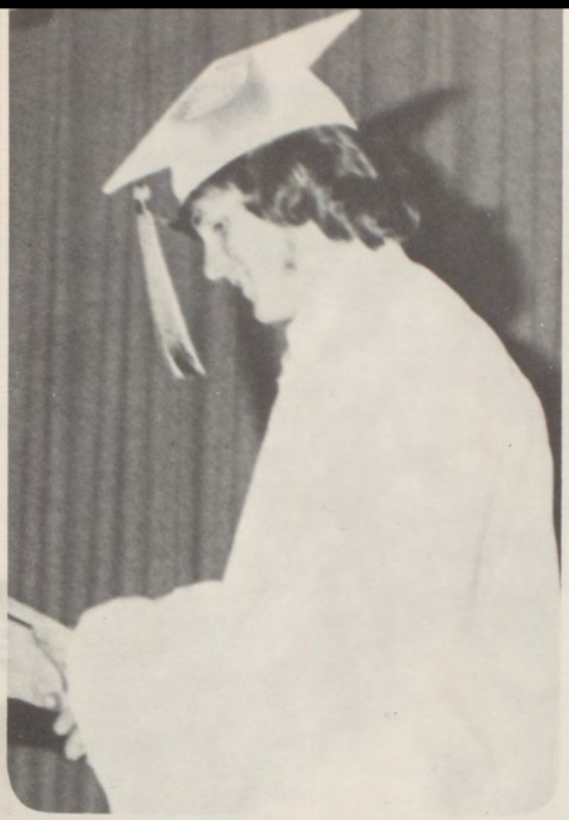
Awards, Honors, Scholars Abound







UPPER: The three top honors students gather after Kandice Poldrack, valedictorian, received scholarships to a church or state-oriented university and David Honeycutt, the top ranked boy, and Marianne Ponton, salutatorian, both earned scholarships to church-supported schools. ABOVE LEFT: Joe Scrivner awards one of the Melasky scholarships to Margaret Urbanek. ABOVE RIGHT: Boys' State delegate Mickey McGee and alternate Wade Williams pause after learning of the honor. RIGHT PAGE: UPPER LEFT: Philip Hohle proudly accepts his Melasky scholarship. UPPER RIGHT: Kandice Poldrack receives the first Ruth Schroeder scholarship as Joe Scrivner congratulates her. LOWER LEFT: After winning a Melasky scholarship, Jan Walker turns to leave the stage. LOWER RIGHT: Joe Scrivner hands the Gurnert scholarship to Curtis Stauffer, the only Gurnert winner.



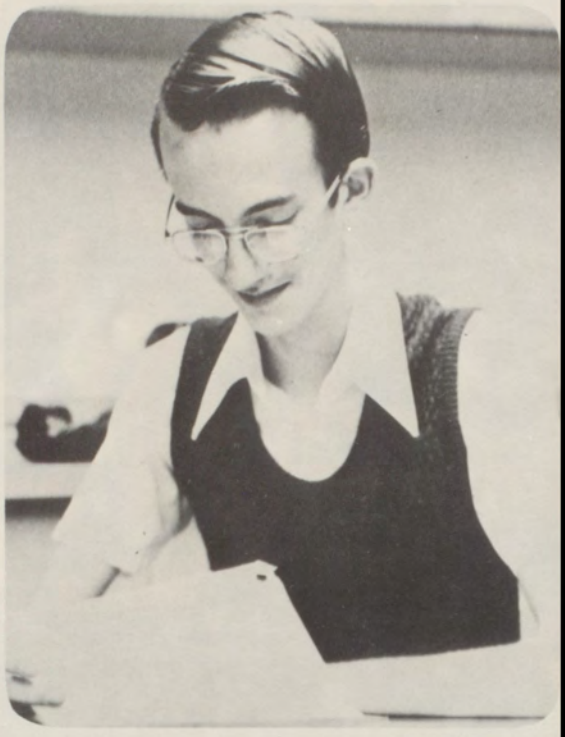


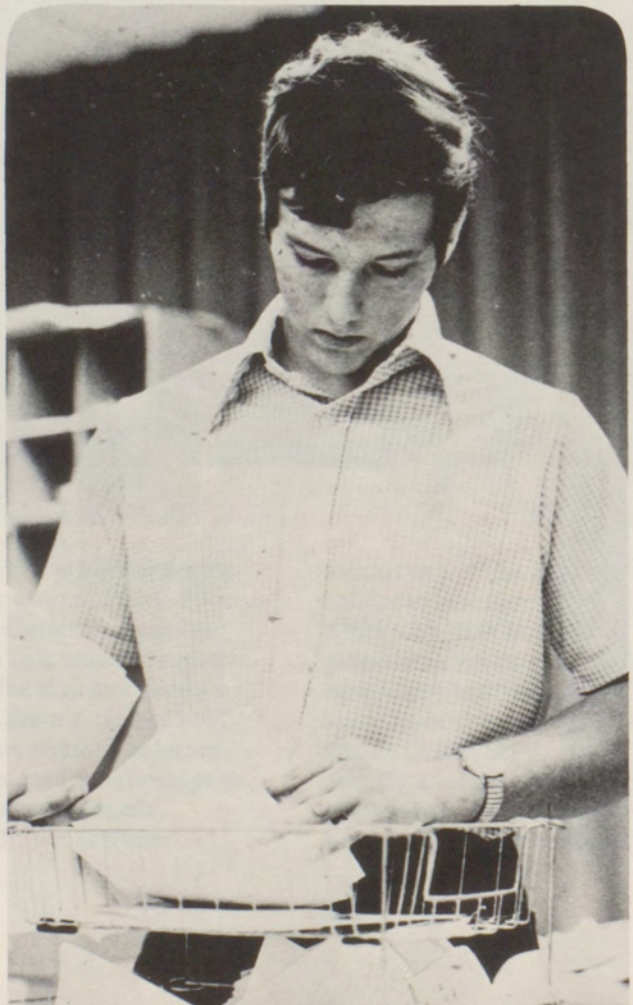




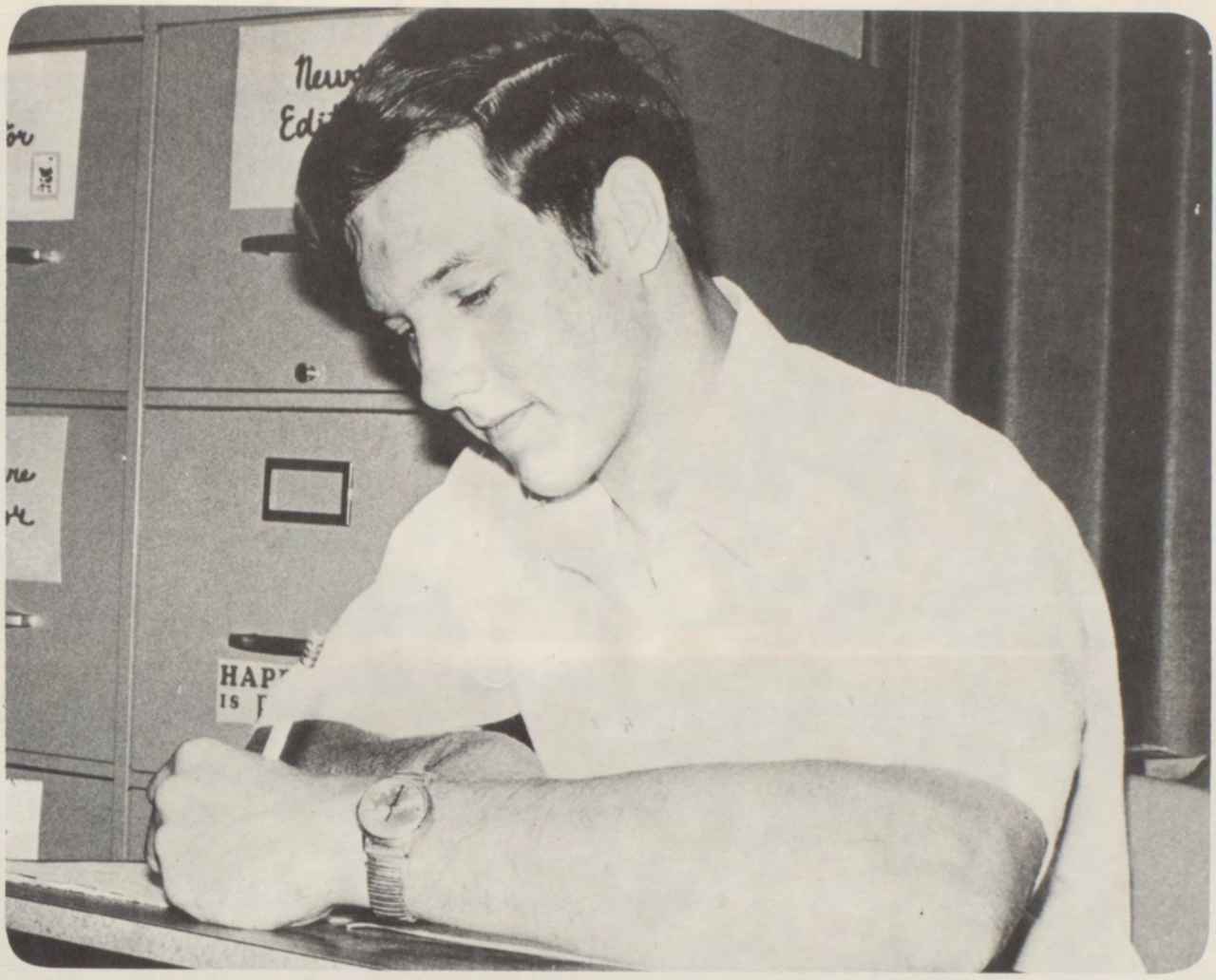
Literary Academes Have Winning Form













Winning first at district in headline writing, Greg Teggeman eventually found himself copping second at state.

Others who earned top spots at the district meet in Taylor were Alice Aanstoos, second in headline writing; David Wolbrueck, third in spelling; and Jimmy Scrivner, third in persuasive speaking. All four students then advanced to regional competition and spent the weekend in Corpus Christi.

13 Musicians Lead THS







Musicians entered every contest that came their way including University Interscholastic League Solo and Ensemble competition and District and Regional tryouts. A total of 35 Band and Choir members travelled the road to District competition, some to Regional and 13 advanced to State.

UPPER LEFT: State solo entrants in Choir include Tim Bulgerin, Dana Farr and Gene Moreno. Winning first division in easier music are Paul Knox, Anna Chavana and Larry Blomquist. UPPER RIGHT: Choir member David Switzer is the only musician to place in the regional group. ABOVE: Clarinet Choir members prepare to take their ensemble to State competition. Members include Eusabia Gonzales, Joy Ponkoney, Gayle Brister, Melodie Slagle, Renee Scheer, Brenda Townsend and Kandice Poldrack. RIGHT PAGE: UPPER LEFT: First division winners in Class II Band solos and ensembles are Becky Kubala, Karen Page, Cynthia Jozwiak, Dorie Switzer, Dawn Burow and Susan Ponton. Karen Mazac is the only winner in Class III music. UPPER RIGHT: District Band trombonist, Pam Carmack, sharpens her playing skills in preparation for upcoming tryouts. CENTER: District Choir participants are Hannah Hooks, Louis Zachary, Cynthia Harrell, Marianne Ponton, David Switzer, Brad Ross, Jimmy Scrivner, Sharon Brown, Dana Farr and Paul Knox. LOWER: Winning first at regional, the flute trio composed of Alice Aanstoos, Susan Ponton and Kim Holton advanced to State.

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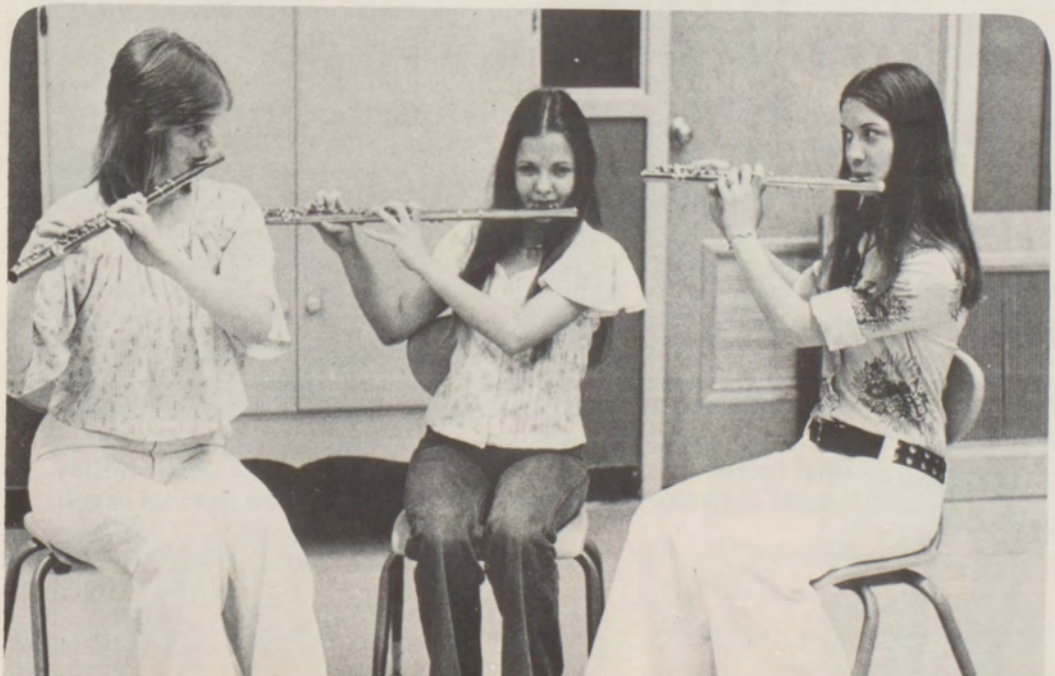
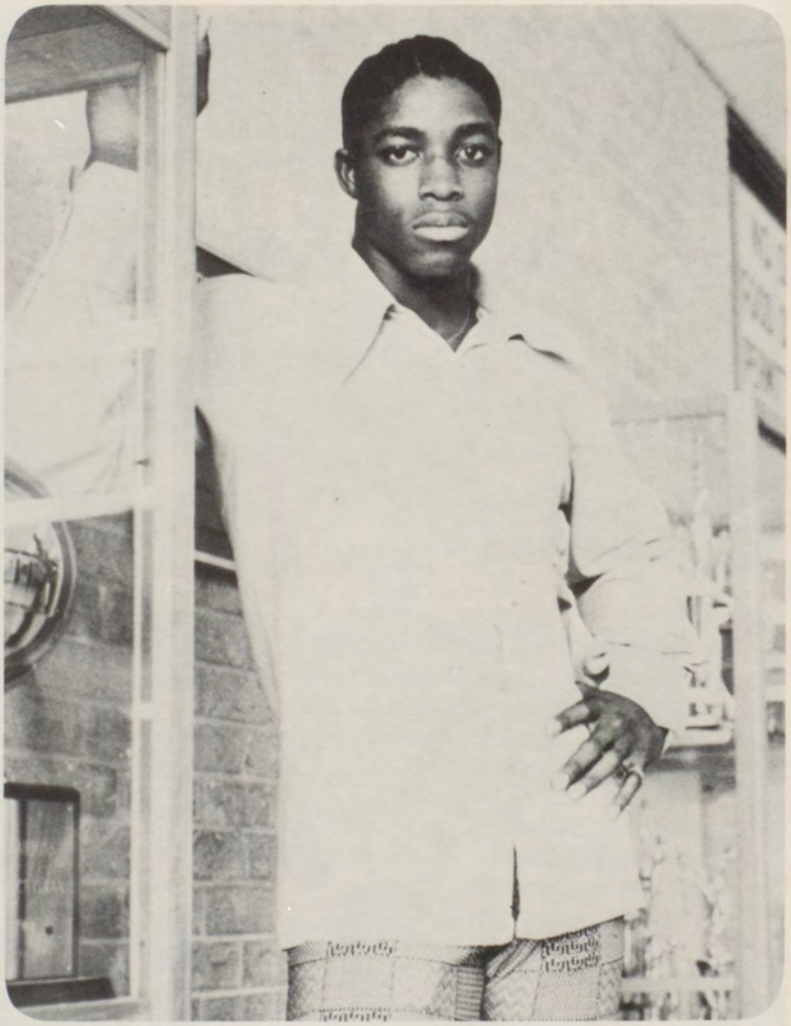


Sports Shoot for the Stars















LEFT PAGE: UPPER: Top netters are Eric Cupp and Tim Kinsley, second in district doubles; Kelly Zetak, first in district singles; Vickie Simcik and Janis West, second in regional doubles; Laurie Pasemann, second in district singles, Lisa Corbett, first in district singles and Jay Harkins, second in district singles. CENTER LEFT: Kathleen Jackson and Roberta Young are All District volleyballers. RIGHT: In addition to his other honors, Elroy Stoglin is on the Centex, Super-Centex and State teams. LOWER: Winning first in State for high jump is Bruce Turner and Gary Lankford for pole vault. RIGHT PAGE: UPPER: Football sporters on the All District team include Elroy Stoglin, Neal Janke, Bruce Turner, Gene Barnett, Tilmon Barnett, Philip Hohle, Greg Teggeman, Mitchell Gipson, Greg Krenek, Griffin Teggeman, Arthur Frerichs, Darrell Jackson, Brad Streit, and Chris Marshall. Centex players are Neal Janke, Bruce Turner and Greg Krenek. ABOVE LEFT: The only girl advancing to state track meet is Chestina Martin who placed third in the high jump. ABOVE RIGHT: All District basketball stars are Elroy Stoglin and Brad Ross. All District baseballers are Thomas Kaspar, David Stiba, Greg Krenek, Ricky Bubenik, Trey Buzan, James Elliott, Brad Ross, and Larry Loeve.

WHO'S WHO

In conjunction with National Honor Society, MALLARD offered a new system for recognizing the school's outstanding scholars. Criteria for selection included responsible attitude, class participation, self-discipline and a proven desire to learn. The following departments chose to honor their outstanding student.



ENGLISH
David Honeycutt
Imagination always held a prominent place in David's writing. He was able to maintain an A average in English IV through his work, whether it was a humorous political satire or philosophical prose. Several of his stories found themselves in the ETC.



FOREIGN LANGUAGE
Stella Taliaferro
Stella has managed to hold on to the highest average in her Spanish I class. Besides having a good book knowledge, she is able to understand and speak the language well.



SOCIAL STUDIES
Barbara Huser
As a student of World History, Barbara is outstanding in her class. She always understands concepts raised by the teacher due to her deep interest and concern in the past.



MATH
Kandice Poldrack
Taking two math courses this year would be almost impossible for anyone but Kandice. She had steady high A's in both Algebra II and trig and she plans to major in math. Kandice also had the distinction of being the only female in the trig class.



SCIENCE
Kathryn Kotrla
Kathryn has taken every science course offered at THS and has always had a superior average. She furthered her interest this year by being a teacher's aide in physical science classes. Kathryn's future plans include a major in science.



PRE-EMPLOYMENT LAB PROGRAMS
Ray Hernandez
Ray has been instrumental in helping his Building Trades class construct a home.



VOCATIONAL HOME ECONOMICS
Debra Shamard
Debra is a three year member of Future Homemakers of America and served this year as first vice president.



PUBLICATIONS
Craig Stafford
A member of both the COTTON BOLL and MALLARD staffs, Craig served as photographer the past two years. Several of his pictures won him prizes during the year, including the Interscholastic League Press Conference and COTTON BOLL contests.



SPEECH
Philip Hohle
A two time member of the All Star Cast at District, Philip's most recent honor was being named to the elite cast for his performance in "Goodbye to the Clown." He also participated in speech contests and was previously named "Ham of the Year" by On Stage '74.



VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE
David Welch
Only a freshman, David has already exemplified skill and leadership qualities in his Vo-Ag class.



VOCATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAMS
Daniel Talasek
Daniel has been active in Distributive Education for the past two years.



MUSIC
Jan Walker
In addition to serving as Drum Major this year, Jan was also baritone section leader. Although she was not enrolled in Choir, she accompanied the singers on piano during the second semester. As a reward for her musical talents, she received a scholarship to Blinn College.





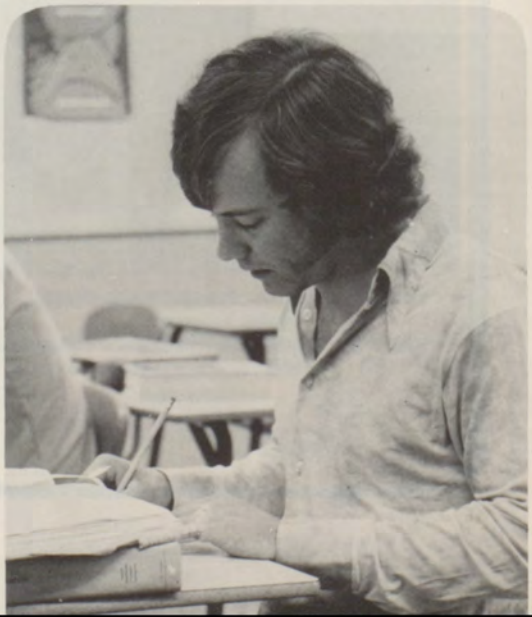


Two Picked by Peers

Larry Burnett, Mr. THS, was an active football player through all four years of high school. He participated in Future Farmers of America and was an officer of Latin Club. He enjoyed hunting, cars and playing pool. With college still in mind for the future, he planned on working on pipeline construction after school.

This was not the first time for Marianne Ponton, Miss THS, to be honored by her peers. She had previously been named sweetheart for both Choir and Band, queen for Homecoming and the Cotton Boll Relays and Goodfellow. She was also in National Honor Society and Teens Aid the Retarded. Marianne took her Salutatorian standing to Baylor University.





Queens, Beaux: Popularity Reigns





Queens are Sandra Mazac, Future Farmers sweetheart; Ophal Reese, Choir sweetheart and Marianne Ponton, Band sweetheart, Homecoming Queen and Cotton Boll Relays Queen and their beaux are Griffin Teggeman, Future Homemakers Beau; Curtis Stauffer, Band Beau and Kevin Gault, Choir Beau.

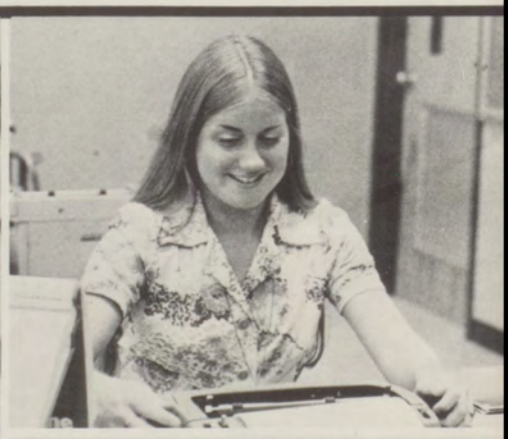
Nominees in the various popularity races are Theresa Leschber, Joy Ponkoney, Donna Barron and Sandra Mazac. Also Sharon Nickerson, Jan Walker, Pam Carmack, Sharon Brown and Cynthia Harrell. And George Torres, Valerie Cox, Sherry Pasemann, Stancie Schwenker, Johnny Roose and David Sikes.

Personality + Smiles → Goodfellows



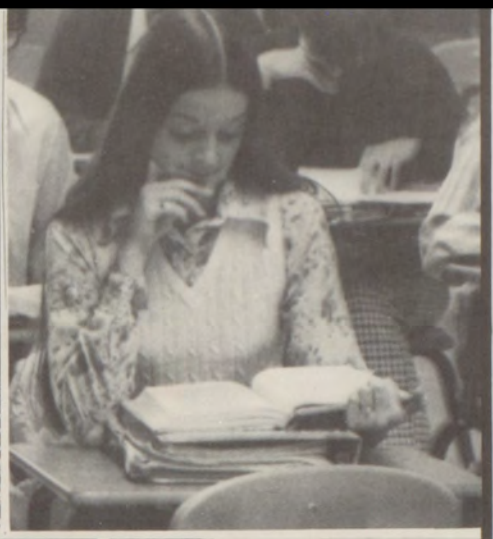
Goodfellows are chosen by their peers on the basis of personality, involvement and campus awareness. MALLARD staff, who ran the election, revamped the procedure this year. In the past seniors chose ten Goodfellows, juniors named eight, sophomores took six and freshmen had four. The new system allowed four individuals to be chosen from each class - two girls and two boys. The change was well accepted by the student body as it went practically unnoticed. Reactions from being named a Goodfellow varied from a cool "Thanks" to a more surprised "Who, me?"















LEFT PAGE: UPPER: SENIORS: Joy Ponkoney, Louis Zachary, Win Williams, Tina Tiemann and Philip Hohle. LOWER: JUNIORS: Sherry Pasemann, Lisa Corbett, Wade Williams and Ricky Bubenik. RIGHT PAGE: LEFT: SOPHOMORES: Sue Ruzicka, Susan Harris, David Rozacky and Trey Buzan. LOWER: FRESHMEN: Keith Reiger, Sheila Mahlow, Rick Cuzzort and Stancie Schwenker.













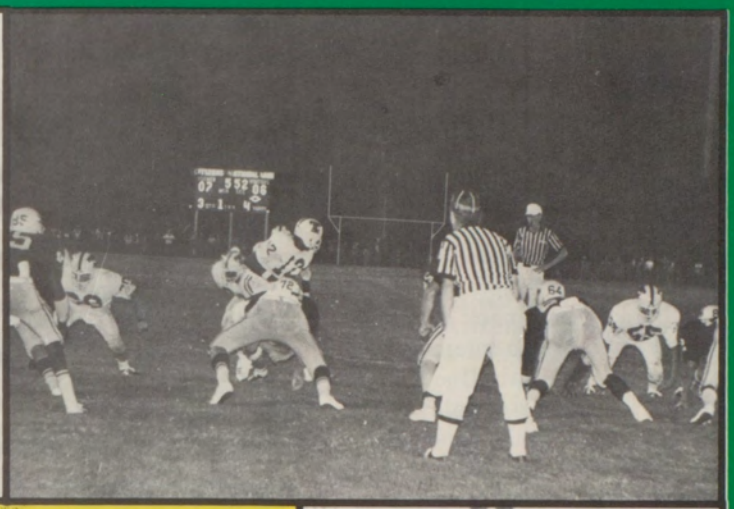
Athletics provided a special diversion away from a strenuous academic life. Students and teachers alike were able to enjoy sports in classes and intramurals. More than this however, the entire community benefited from the enjoyment sports had to offer.

Chestina Martin takes her volleyball game seriously, being one of only three girls sports offered in the school.

Early in the season Super Duck basketball players "shoot for state" but are unable to dribble past district play.

Marion Morgan goes through tough conditioning exercises in preparation for football play.









REPLAYS

Football action is a typical sight on Memorial Field from September through November.

Ducks make it to district competition in football only to fall to the tough Belton Tigers.

Tipping off the season for the Junior Varsity basketballers is Donald Allen as he leaps high for a jump ball.

Assistant Principal Ross Baldwin helps boost team spirit when he speaks to the student body at a pep rally.

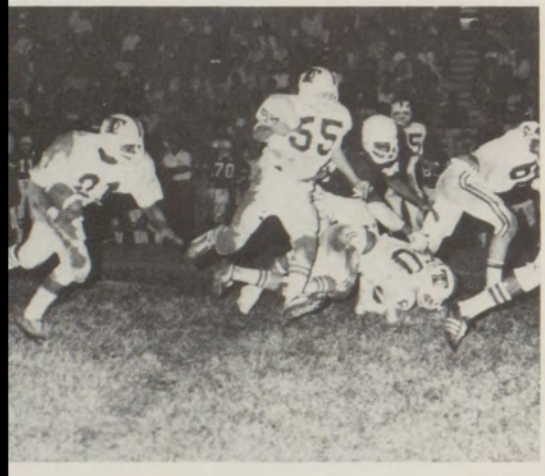
Drallam sprawls across the gym floor to remind spectators that they are the "fightin' Taylor Ducks."

Record Best for Ducks in 3A Play

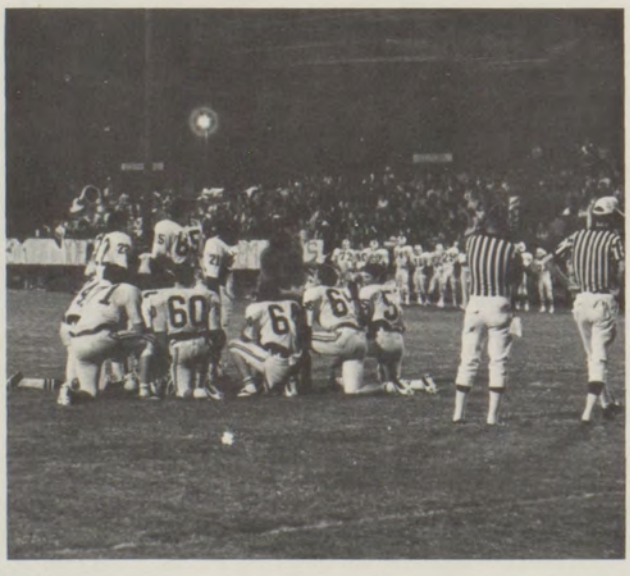
Taylor Ducks finished the season with an 8-2-1 record, the best showing since Taylor joined 12AAA.

Offensively the Ducks gained 3,377 yards, 2,433 of these yards coming on the ground and passing 944 yards. Averaging 307 total offensive yards a game, the Ducks scored 245 points in eleven games for a 22.3 average. A tough defense allowed only 108 points in eleven games for a 9.8 average. Opponents could only muster an average of 106 yards on the ground and 63 yards in the air. A 4-0 record in south zone play allowed Taylor to play the Belton Tigers for the district crown. After a very close three quarters, the Tigers took the lead 21 to 14 with 2:42 left to play. The Ducks fought back but were halted when Belton intercepted a pass on their 11-yard line. With this, visions of a state play-off berth vanished as the final seconds ticked off the clock. A district title will have to wait till next year but as the Ducks continue to grow in experience and enthusiasm, the district title is in reach.





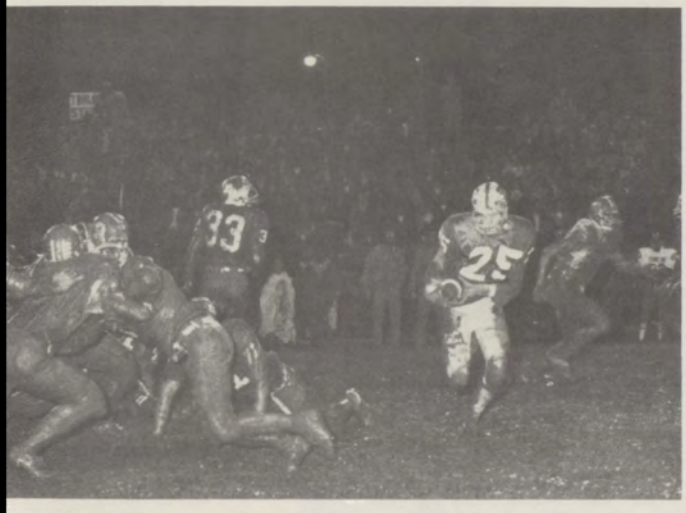








RIGHT PAGE: (Left) Coach Frazier gives the team the defensive signal and maybe says a quick prayer. (Below Left) Brad Streit runs around end in the mud against Rockdale in the showdown for the south zone title. (Below Right) Set for the snap, the Ducks get ready to move out the Cameron Yoemen in the opening game of the season. LEFT PAGE: (Top) Tilmon Barnett lowers his head and prepares to put the boom on a hapless Del Valle Cardinal. (Center Left) Halfback Gene Barnett follows the blocking of Gregory Teggeman and Griffin Teggeman and looks for daylight. (Center Right) Bursting through the line, Gene Barnett tries to break into the open for necessary Duck yardage against the Belton Tigers in the playoff game for the District 12AAA title. (Bottom Left) The Taylor Ducks call a time out for a needed breather and to regain strength and finesse which marked their style of play throughout the year. (Bottom Right) Tilmon Barnett gives a super effort to get into the end zone for another Duck tally against the Del Valle Cardinals.















(Top Left) End Mitchell Gipson prepares to catch the ball as Belton defenders move in for a tackle. (Top Right) Attempting to block an extra point, the entire line pressures the Rockdale kicker on a muddy homecoming field. (Above Left) The offensive line opens the hole for running back Gene Barnett. (Above Right) A big crowd watches Taylor and Belton battle for the district title. (Right) Elroy Stoglin and Eugene De La Rosa lead the Ducks through the run-through sign. RIGHT PAGE: (Top Left) Greg Krenek fights Belton defender for the ball in district playoff game. (Top Right) Captains for the season were Elroy Stoglin, Win Williams and Neal Janke. (Center Left) Quarterback Bruce Turner uses his scrambling ability to run out of the pocket. (Center Right) Tilmon Barnett looks for the hole the offensive line has opened for him. (Bottom Left) Kevin Gualt tries to duck under Del Valle defenders.







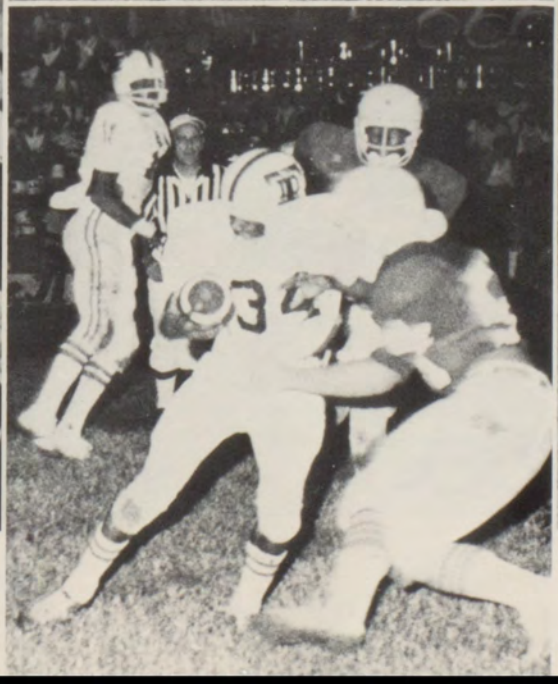














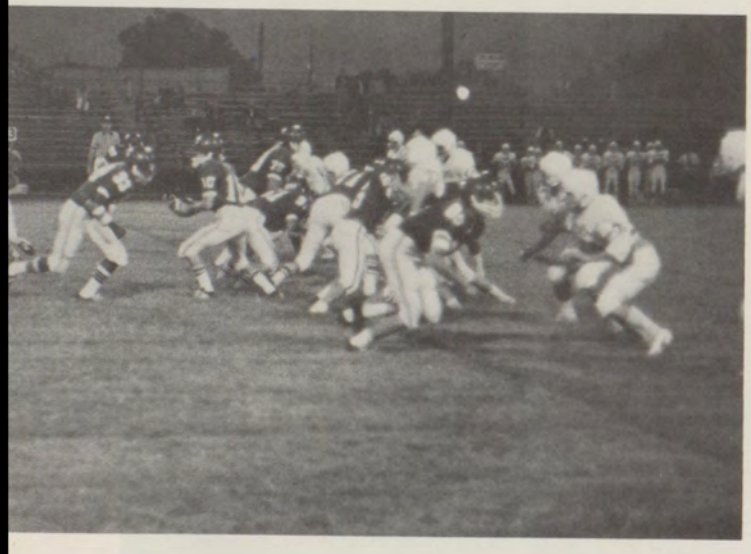
JV Season Shines Bright With Wins

The Taylor Junior Varsity put together a winning season with a 4-3 record, highlighted by a victory over the previously undefeated Belton Tigers.

After getting off to a slow start, losing three of the first four games, the Taylor JV turned the season around winning the final three games. After a crushing defeat at the hands of the Gatesville Hornets the JV rallied to defeat the Belton JV Tigers 30-26. This was the first time the Belton JV had lost in twenty-six games.

Although the Taylor JV play ended abruptly with the cancellation of the final two games against Round Rock and Rockdale, their season was not yet over as their marked style of play earned them a berth on the 1974 South Zone Champion Taylor Duck Varsity.







(Top Right) Trying to spot an open receiver, quarterback Gary Lankford rolls and prepares to throw. (Above) Taylor JV line fires out to open a hole for one of the backs. (Above Right) Gary Lankford and Doug Alexander move in to help Richard Smith and Rick Bubenik make the tackle. (Right) JV kickoff team hustles down field to make a tackle on opponent's kickoff returner.



(Right) Lester Zachary tries to evade the Cameron Yoeman in a winning effort for the Freshmen. (Below Left) Leonard Burnett prepares to make a helpful block to aid the Freshman running game. (Below Right) Freshman Football: FRONT ROW: Michael Pittman, Clarence Wooldridge, Dennis Mundkowsky, Jesse Tovar, Arthur Tamez, Keith Rieger, Robert Gomez, Kenneth Thomas, Mark Kruse, Randall Dlouhy. SECOND ROW: Ronald Benskin (mgr.). BACK ROW: Coach Bobby Menchaca, James Collins, James Casey, Douglas Kuhl, Winford Hull, Lester Zachary, Leonard Burnett, Ricky Cuzzort, Dale Bunge, Donald Stolte, Jay Harkins (mgr.), Coach Danny Potts. (Bottom) Michael Pitman displays his elusive running style as he breaks free to give Freshmen good field position with a kickoff return.









Fish Streak to Victory

The Taylor Duck Freshmen playing with abandon all season ended their play with a fine 8-1 record blemished only by the Belton Tigers.

Spear-headed on offense by Lester Zachary, Leonard Burnett, Michael Pittman, and an explosive offensive line the underclassmen amassed 2,265 yards rushing on the season for an average of 251 yards per game.

Behind the golden arms of Keith Reiger and Clarence Wooldridge the Freshmen threw for 525 yards for an average of 58 yards per game.

Freshman Coach Danny Potts best summoned up this year's freshman squad by claiming, "They're the best team I've ever coached."

Cagers Tally 19 Wins

Varsity roundballers completed the basketball season with only six losses. Unfortunately, four of these losses were in South Zone play and the Ducks finished third in zone.

Play did prove to be full of excitement with five games being decided by three points or less.

Through the 19-6 season the varsity averaged 64 points a game while holding their opponents to 53 points average per game.

Losing to only three different teams, the Ducks were strong contenders throughout the season. "We did our best and that's all anyone can ask," said Shirl Frazier, coach.



















LEFT PAGE: (Above Right) Junior Ricky Bubenik put up a soft jumper over a Rockdale Tiger in South Zone play. (Above) Darrell Jackson shows the Del Valle Cardinals his shooting form as William Collins and Elroy Stoglin move into positions for a rebound. (Right) Ducks and Coach Shirl Frazier take a time out to discuss strategy for a district game. (Below) VARSITY BASKETBALL: FRONT ROW: Brad Ross, Ricky Bubenik, Mitchell Gipson and David Switzer, manager. SECOND ROW: Elroy Stoglin, William Collins, Louis Zachary, Preston Haskins and Coach Frazier. RIGHT PAGE: (Top Left) Elroy Stoglin, eyes another rebound against the Round Rock Dragons. (Top Right) Duck defense was tough to score on as the Dragon found out when surrounded by William Collins, Elroy Stoglin and Louis Zachary. (Above) Brad Ross prepares to show a Dragon how to dribble a basketball. (Left) Louis Zachary goes up for a tip-in during one of the Ducks home games.

Hustle Marks JV Play

A team lacking in height and number, the Junior Varsity finished the season with an 11-11 record. Three of these losses came in the Taylor tournament to Varsity teams.

The JV unit was hurt by slow starts averaging 11 points during the first quarter but came on to average 53 points a game.

Highlighting the season was a 97-23 trouncing of TSD and a 40-39 victory over Gatesville with the last five minutes of the game being played by only four Ducks.

This hustle and determination made up for the lack of height and players and marked their style of play throughout the season.











Practice Paves Way for Fish Season



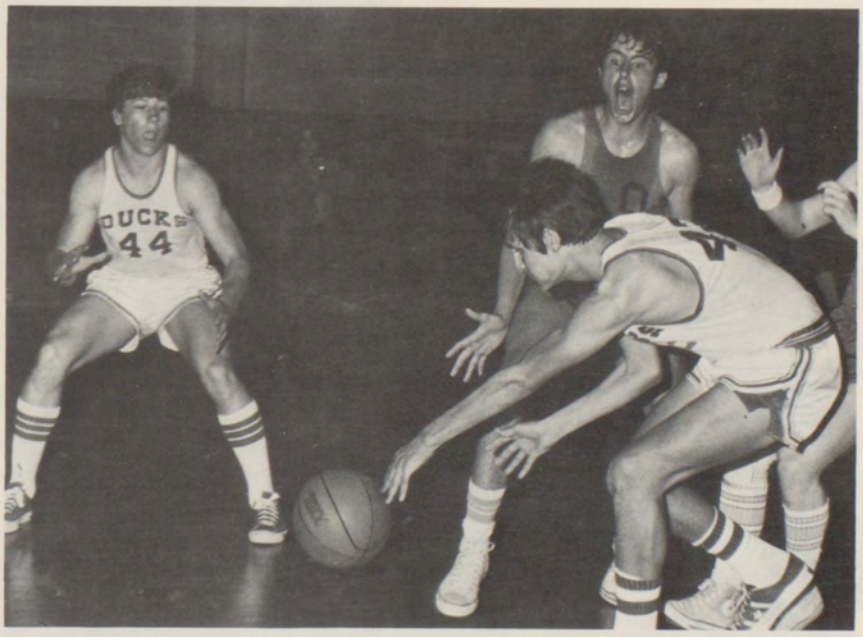
Running lines, working on fast breaks and zone defenses proved to be helpful in putting together a 10-5 record for the Freshmen roundballers.

Coached by Danny Potts, the Fish used three different zone defenses to shut down opponents through the entire season.

All in all, the year provided useful experience for the young Duck roundballers who will, in the near future, be the nucleus of varsity action.



LEFT PAGE: (Above) Rodney Bohls puts a shot up during the Round Rock game. (Middle Left) Trey Buzan, Derrick Hubbard and Tim Kinsley prepare to rebound Donald Allen's free throw against the Dragons. (Middle Right) Trey Buzan attempts an outside shot while Larry Kelly moves into position for a rebound. (Below Left) Donald Allen gets high off the floor for a tip-off against Round Rock. (Below Right) FRESHMEN AND JV BASKETBALL: FRONT ROW: David Gonzales*, Tim Kinsley, Arthur Tamez*, Larry Kelly, Trey Buzan and John Griep*. SECOND ROW: Clarence Wooldridge*, Kenneth Thomas*, Douglas Kuhl*, Leonard Burnett*, Dale Bunge* and Rodney Bohls. BACK ROW: Jay Harkins*, Gary Keith, Winford Hull*, Derrick Hubbard, Donald Allen and David Meiske. *Denotes freshmen. RIGHT PAGE: (Above) Waiting for things to clear, Clarence Wooldridge prepares to drive for the basket. (Middle Right) Clarence Wooldridge watches as Douglas Kuhl dribbles around a Rockdale Tiger. (Below Right) To the amazed of look of a Rockdale player, Douglas Kuhl passes off to Leonard Burnett.



New Coach New Beginning

Duck tracksters got a slow start out of the blocks this season as they were plagued by injuries until District. However, Leon Nickerson's troops pulled together to gather fourth place honors at the District meet in the tough eleven team field.

Midway through the season Joel Smith and Kevin Gault were elected track captains by their peers.

The team was especially strong in the field events as Gary Lankford and Bruce Turner placed in every meet. Both went on to capture the top echelon in their specialty as Gary jumped 14 feet to win the State pole vault and Bruce high jumped 6 feet 11 inches to set a new State record.





















LEFT PAGE: (Upper) Bruce Turner goes over the bar for the winning high jump at Regional. (Above Left) At the Regional meet in Corpus Christi, Brad Ross places third in the broad jump. (Above Right) Eddie Lankford gives Shelley Smith encouragement before he pole vaults. (Below Left) Elroy Stoglin strains to pull out in front at the Round Rock track meet in the 220 yard dash. (Below Right) Shouting encouragement, Shirl Frazier urges Joe De La Rosa on to the finish line.
RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) Freshman Michael Pittman gets off to a quick start in the 220. (Above) Setting a new record, Gary Lankford wins the pole vault competition at Regional. (Center) Gary Lankford pauses a moment to concentrate before attempting a 14 foot leap. (Left) Wade Williams holds off competition in the 880 yard dash in a Taylor practice meet.

Bigger and Better Girls Track Team

With only three girls participating in the girls track program last year, the seven girls this year proved that girls track was getting bigger and better.

At District Ophelia Jewel, coach, and her tracksters finished fourth place with Chestina Martin qualifying for Regional.

Martin then took second at regional for a berth in the state high jump. At the state meet in Austin she captured third place for her jump of five feet three inches.

As girls track grows, title hopes are high for next year.













LEFT PAGE: (Upper) GIRL'S TRACK: FRONT ROW: Lisa Wilborn, Denise Jefferson and Jeannie Wilborn. BACK ROW: Katy Borgne, Janet Jackson, Debra Freeman and Kathleen Jackson. (Lower Left) To get in shape for the upcoming meet, Debra Freeman practices the 440 relay. (Lower Right) With determination in her eyes, Willie Deary runs the 220 yard dash during the Cotton Boll Relays. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) 440 RELAY TEAM: FRONT ROW: Debra Freeman and Denise Jefferson. BACK ROW: Janet Jackson and Kathleen Jackson. (Upper Right) With a thrust of energy, Katy Borgne prepares to throw the shot put. (Left) Denise Jefferson and Debra Freeman work together to practice the 440 relay.

Still Champs to Us



With an 8-0 record, the girls volleyball team found themselves at the threshold of the district championship.

Though they lost the district game to Belton, they did not feel discouraged about the performance of the team.

Because there were just enough players for one team, the girls were at a great disadvantage compared to other teams with a full squad of substitutions.

According to Ophelia Jewel, coach of the volleyballers, they had a much better team than last year; however, if they could have had more players, they would have had a better team.

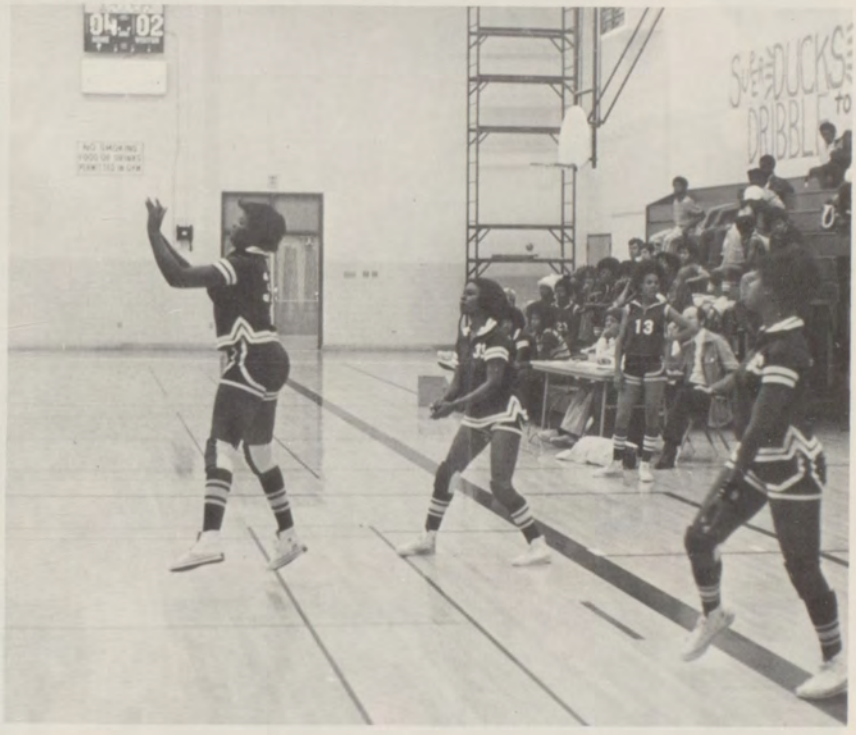
















LEFT PAGE: (Upper Right) Getting ready to "put it to 'em," Sheila Reese concentrates on the oncoming ball. (Left) During a time out, Ophelia Jewel, coach, discusses team strategy with the girls. (Right) Roberta Young blocks the spike of an opposing team member. (Below Left) Barbara Zachary and Denise Hubbard watch closely in hopes that Renee Davis will get the ball over the net. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM: FRONT ROW: Doris Jefferson, Kathleen Jackson and Marilyn Lewis. BACK ROW: Roberta Young, Beverly Barnett, Barbara Zachary, Pam Henry, Renee Davis, Chestina Martin and Myra Martin. (Upper Right) As a look of determination comes across her face, Alice Flores prepares to set the ball up to a fellow teammate. (Above Left) Denise Hubbard gets ready to hit the ball while Renee Davis and Kathleen Jackson stand ready for a return volley. (Above) Debra Freeman watches in dismay as the ball goes out of bounds. (Left) Eyeing the ball for a good setup, Kathleen Jackson tries to make it easier for someone to spike.

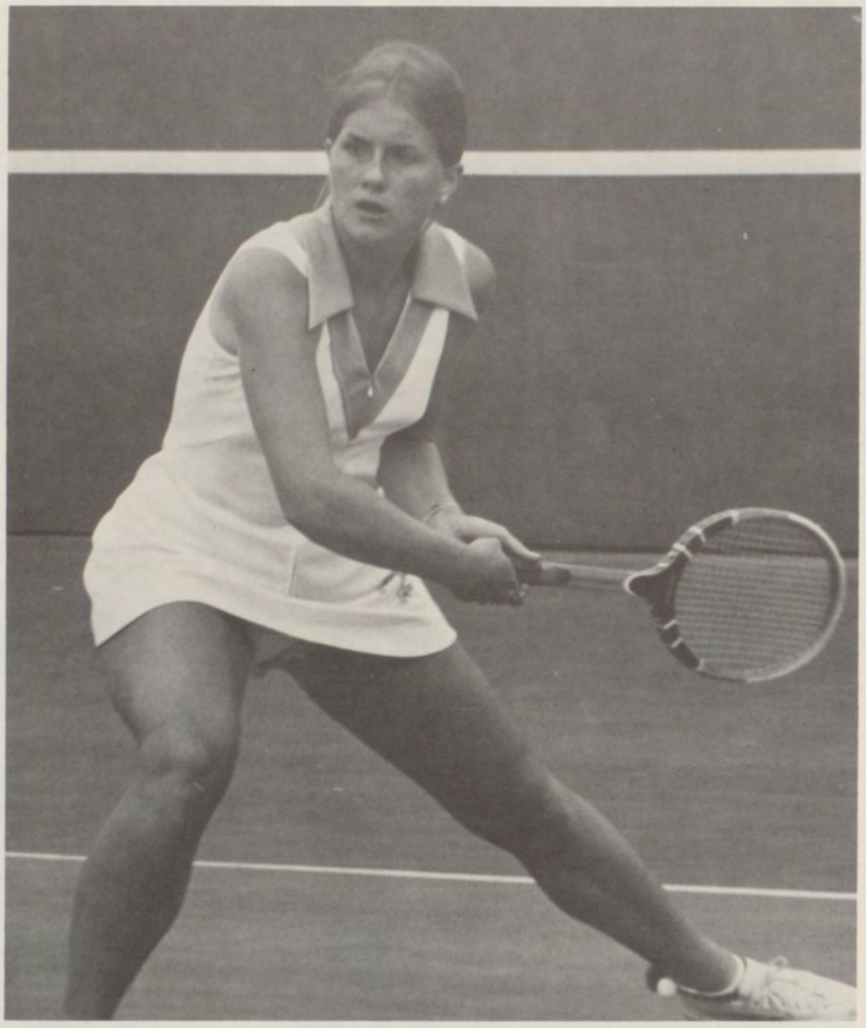
And Another Winning Season

Continuing the dominance over the District, the tennis team won the District title for the seventh consecutive year.

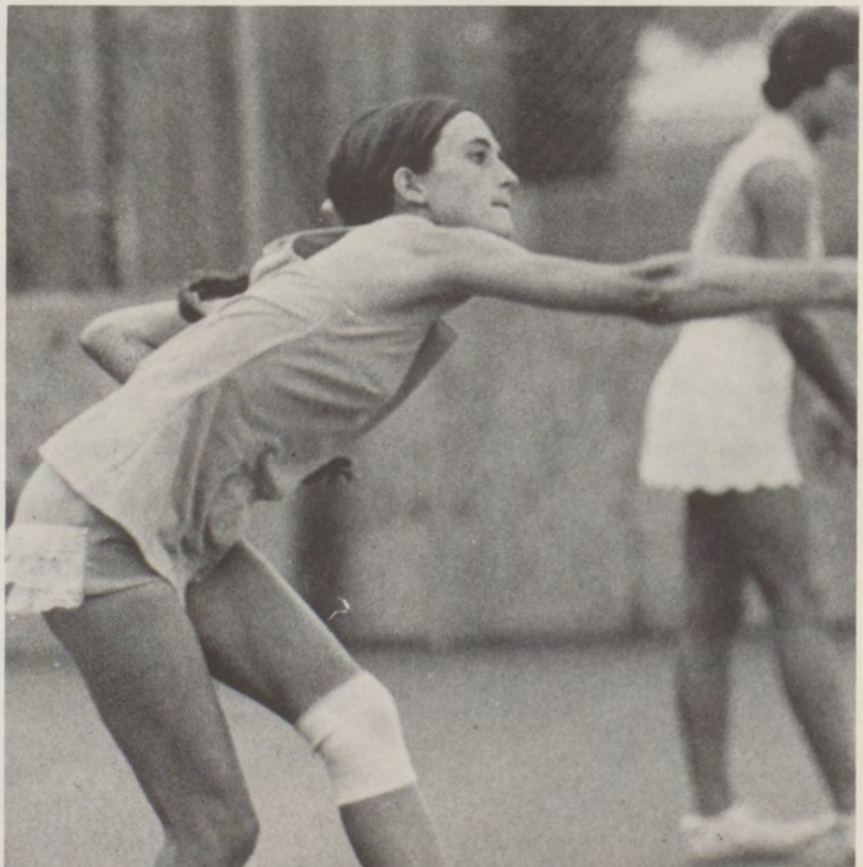
In the girls' division at District, Lisa Corbett and Laurie Pasemann finished first and second in singles. In doubles Janis West and Vickie Simcik repeated as District champs, took second at regional and qualified for the State tourney.

Freshman Jay Harkins finished second in boys' singles, but lost to the eventual four-time State champion at Regional. The doubles team of Doug Cotner and Kelly Zetak took first at District and advanced to Regional.

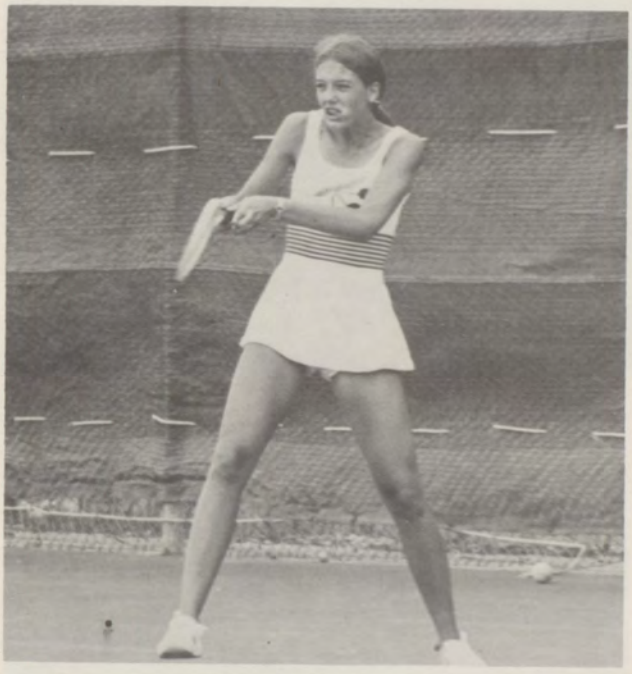
With all coming back, hopes are high for an eighth straight title.

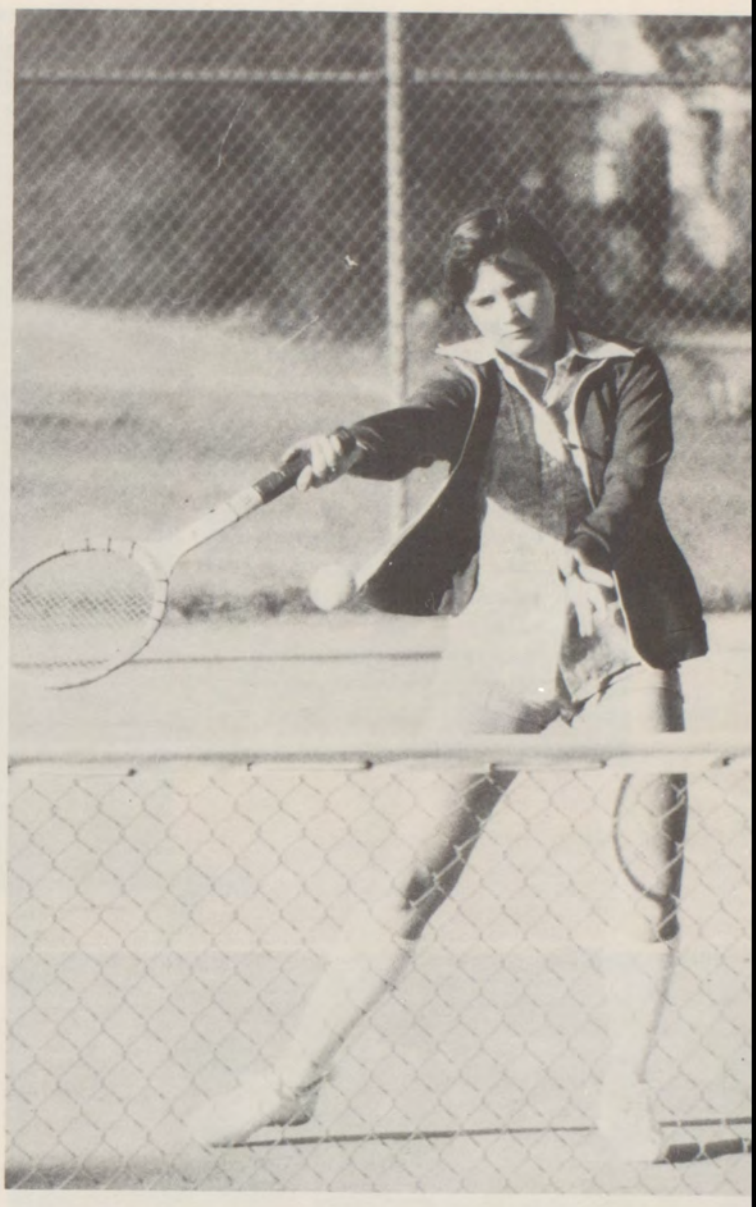


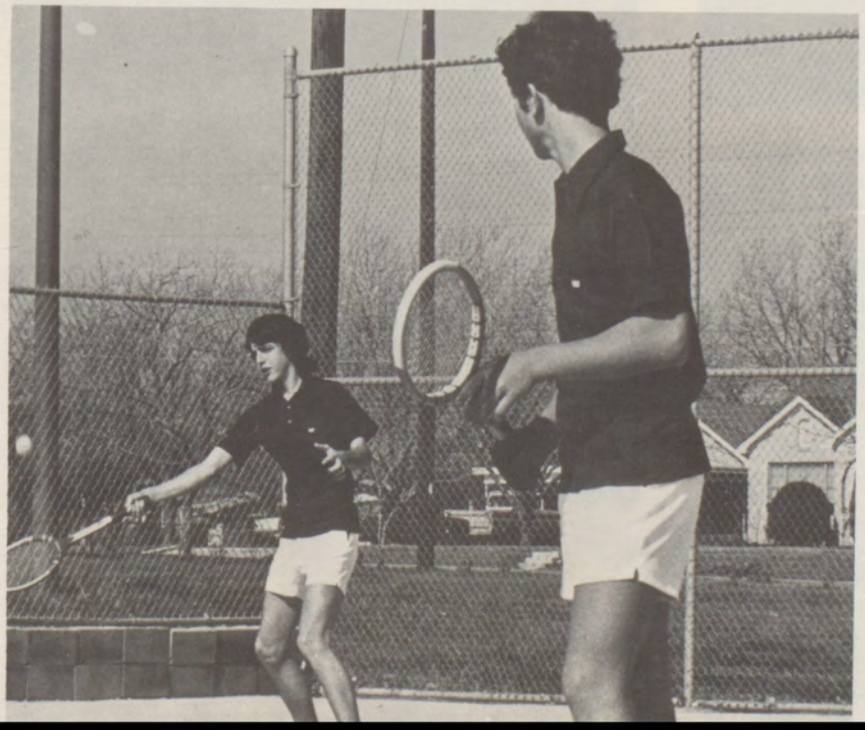












LEFT PAGE: (Above Right) Lisa Corbett grimaces as she returns a tough backhand shot. (Below Left) Frankie Krenek winds up to serve in the District meet at Taylor. (Below Right) At the State meet in Austin Janis West smashes a serve to her opponents. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) Kelly Zetak sharpens up his net play by hitting the ball machine. (Above) Working on net shots Vickie Simcik prepares for the District meet. (Center) Returning a shot at Regional, Laurie Pasemann uses her backhand. (Left) Volleying, Doug Cotner and Kelly Zetak warm up for practice.

Inexperience Takes Its Toll

Rebuilding was the key for the golf team as only two lettermen returned from the previous year. Youth and inexperience hindered the team throughout tournament play this year.

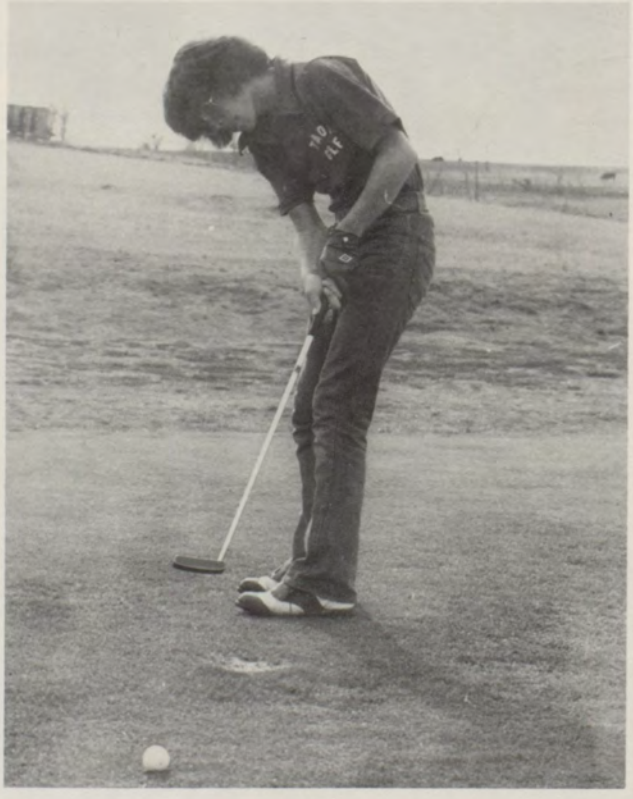
Although not winning any tournaments the team paved the way for next year as all the players return next year as veterans.

Dan Wuthrick plus second year men Mikey Kirschvink and Ricky Alford were the nucleus of this year's squad while enroute to an eighth place finish at District.

From the knowledge gained, the lackluster year should be overshadowed by the brighter days ahead for the golf team.

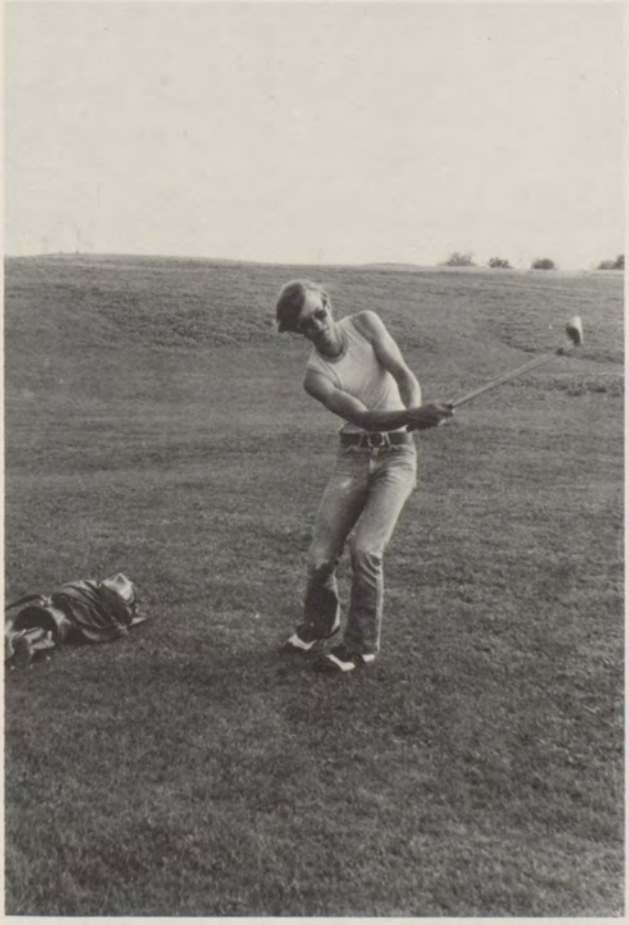














LEFT PAGE: (Upper Right) Mikey Kirschvink displays his own style of hitting a long fairway shot. (Far Left) Junior Dan Wuthrich anxiously anticipates a birdie enabling him to advance as number one player. (Right) Tim Mikeska watches his putt roll towards the cup. (Below Left) Chipping out of the rough, David Alford hopes for a possible birdie. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper) Getting into the swing of things Dan Wuthrich tees off while the team members wait for their turn. (Left) Ricky Alford practices hitting his irons as he prepares for tournament play. (Above) Bobby Menchaca, coach, demonstrates techniques by putting to Mikey Kirschvink.

Another Year: Same Champs

In the first Zone baseball game, Taylor's hope of a fifth consecutive District title started to look slim as Lockhart beat the Ducks.

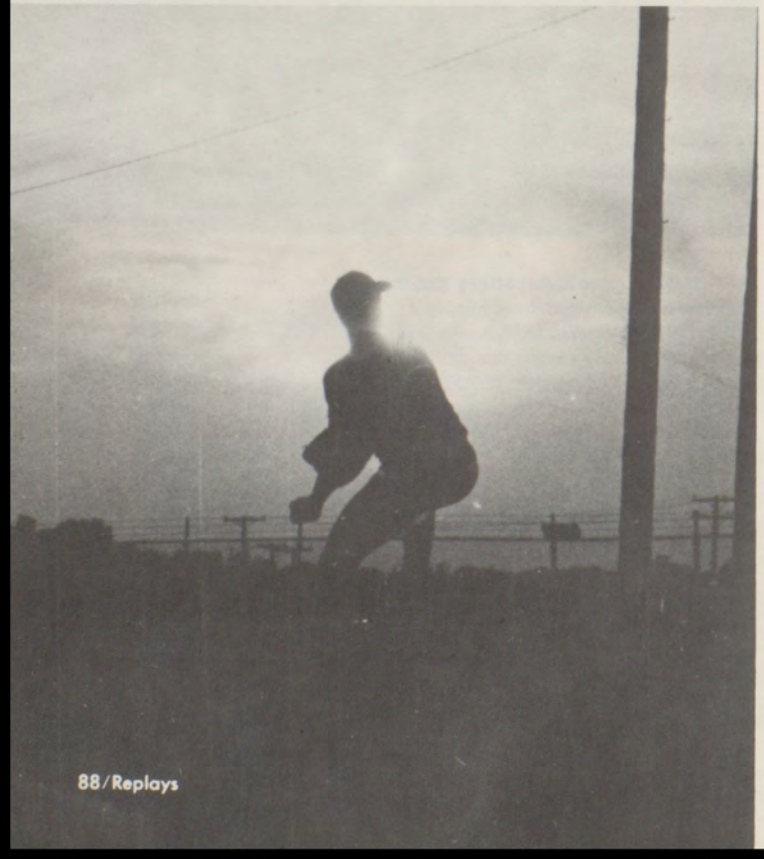
While the team compiled a 22-8 record, Brad Ross was busy breaking his goal for most stolen bases in a season with 25. Tommy Kaspar broke the record for most strikeouts in a season with 133.

But the Ducks hung together and won the next seven zone games followed by two district victories over Georgetown for the 12AAA Title.

For the third straight year Taylor faced Brenham in Bi-District but lost 1-0 in the third game.

Winning District is becoming as common as hot dogs, apple pie and baseball.











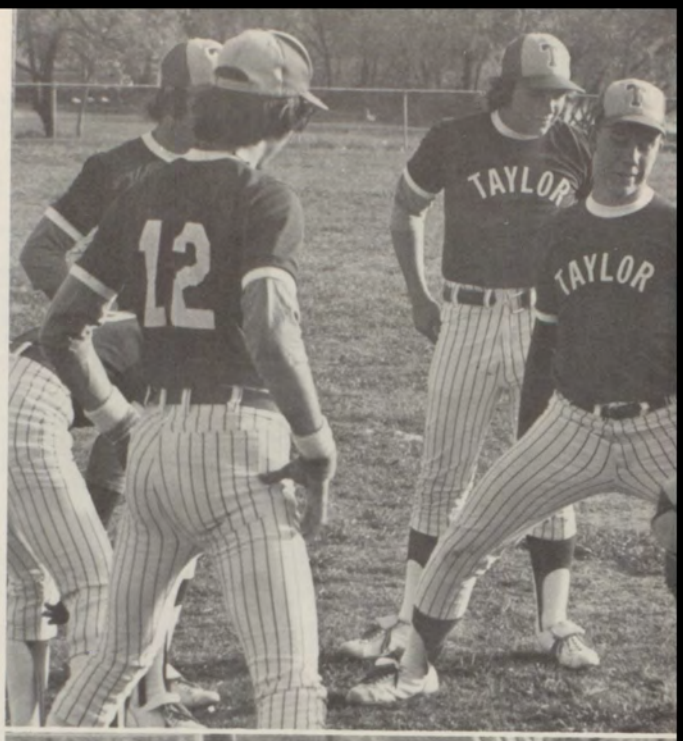






LEFT PAGE: (Above) Thomas Kaspar displays his unique pitching form which won him many games. (Below Left) Larry Loeve's pitching form is silhouetted against the sunset during an evening district game. (Below Right) Pitcher, Thomas Kaspar, plans strategy for the next inning with third baseman Brad Ross. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) Firing the ball to the first baseman, Ricky Bubenik pegs out another Rockdale runner. (Upper Right) BASEBALL TEAM: FRONT ROW: Steven Kovar, Terry Lindemann, Trey Buzan, James Elliot, Brad Ross and Arthur Tamez, manager. SECOND ROW: Ernest Stefek, Tim Bartosh, Ricky Bubenik, Paul Knox, David Stiba and Patrick Jones, scorekeeper. BACK ROW: Danny Potts, coach; Thomas Kaspar, David Stolte, Larry Loeve, Greg Krenek, Kent Hanacik, Doug Kuhl, Leonard Burnett and David Krueger, coach. (Above Left) After walking a Dragon, Larry Loeve, pitcher, is reassured by first baseman, Thomas Kaspar. (Above) Ricky Bubenik, anticipating the pitch, takes a practice swing. (Left) Left fielder, Trey Buzan, waits for coach's signal before batting.

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LEFT PAGE: (Upper Left) Coaches Danny Potts and David Krueger ponder strategy for zone play. (Upper Right) Limbering up before a game, the starting lineup prepares to take the field. (Center Left) Intent on watching a close district battle, Taylor baseball fans pack the stands to spur the team on to another victory. (Center Right) On the run, Greg Krenek prepares to throw the ball into the infield. (Below Left) Butch Lee and James Horne describe the action from their pressbox vantage point. (Below Right) Tim Bartosh practices on keeping his throwing arm ready for district play. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Right) Attempting a pick-off, Larry Loeve gets set to tag out a Rockdale runner. (Above Left) Coach Krueger gives last minute instructions to the team before starting. (Above) Left fielder Trey Buzan fires the ball home in warm-up before play begins. (Left) Duck diamond ballers take a short break before returning to daily practice.

Competition Among Friends

A growing part of lunchtime, the Intramural Program occupied the time of numerous students as well as Leon Nickerson, coach.

The various sports gave those students who did not participate in Interscholastic League Athletics a chance to partake in the fun of volleyball, basketball, ping pong and softball.



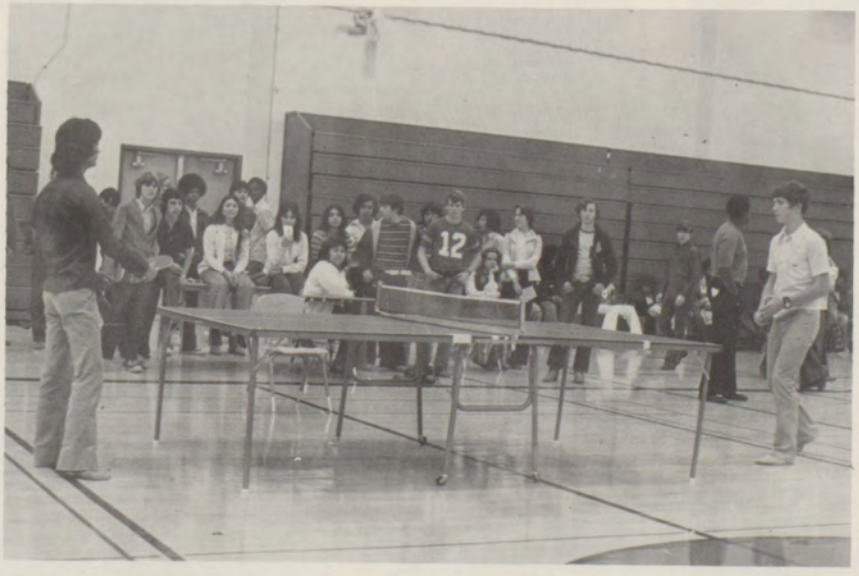














LEFT PAGE: (Upper) Ernie Rohlack takes a mighty swing in the intramural program. (Lower Left) Ricky Mann winds up to pitch as Steven Sutton waits for the results. (Center) Preston Haskins returns a serve as he stars in an intramural volleyball game. (Lower Right) Deril Milliken displays winning form in intramural ping pong. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) Deril Milliken keeps Ray Hernandez from stealing base. (Above) Ervin Ross returns a hard serve in ping pong. (Center) Intramural players gather around the Navy recruiting bus after the day's basketball game. (Left) Gene Moreno and Kelly Zetak battle it out to the finals.

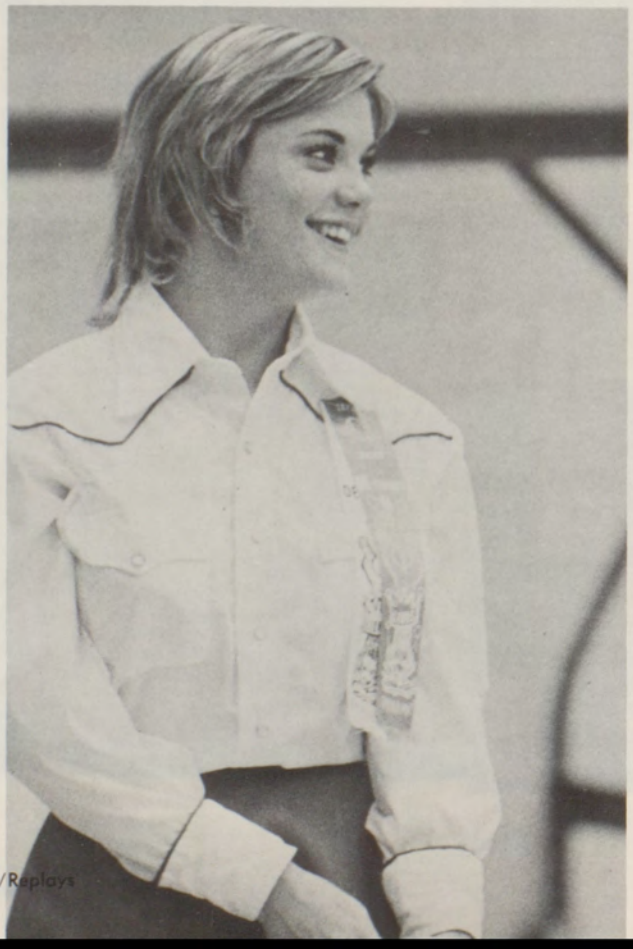
Spirit From Skits and Signs

Cheerleading started before school did. The newly elected and veteran cheerleaders went to Southern Methodist University for a summer camp. Activities started with school, and the cheerleaders were ready to encourage spirit.

Signs in the halls and in the gym were made by cheerleaders. Throughout the year, they supplied locker signs for players in all sports. Cheerleaders also joined with the football team in a candy sale.

The cheerleaders planned all the pep rallies to get the support of the student body. During the year, spirit for the school was generated with signs, spirit sticks and pep rallies which is what cheerleading is all about.













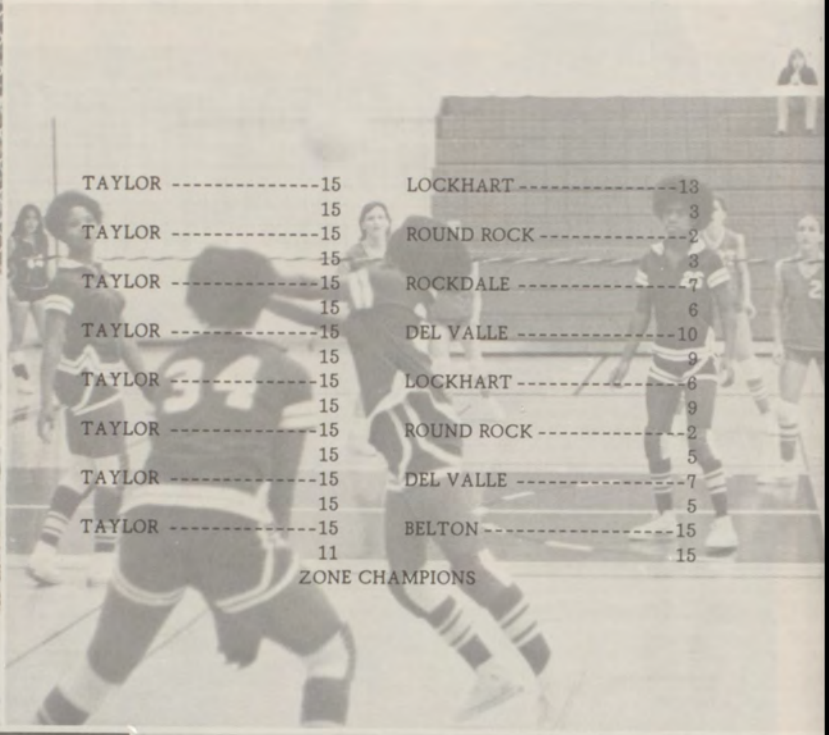




LEFT PAGE: (Above) Encouraging spirit, Joy Ponkoney begins a cheer. (Far Left) Tina Tiemann pauses a moment before starting another yell. (Left) Valerie Cox leads the student body in the fight song. RIGHT PAGE: (Top Left) At a break in a basketball game, Ophal Reese takes time to rest. (Top Right) Sherry Pasemann joins in a yell at a pep rally. (Above Left) Jennifer Henderson leads a cheer for the crowd. (Above) At the Junior Varsity football game, Stancie Schwenker, Kathleen Jackson, Laurie Pasemann and Donna Tiemann execute a yell routine. (Left) JV CHEERLEADERS: Stancie Schwenker, Laurie Pasemann, Teresa Snider, Donna Tiemann and Abby Frazier.



TENNIS ----------1st in district



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TAYLOR	15	ROCKDALE	7
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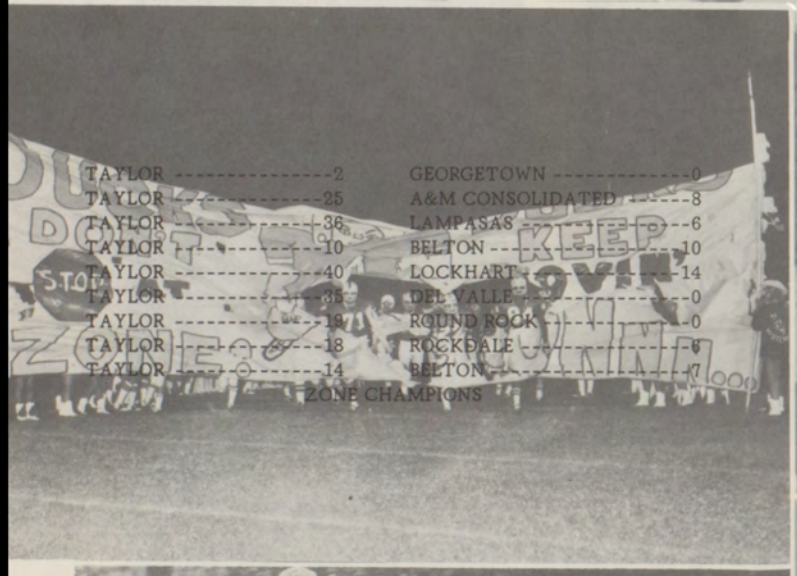
TAYLOR	15	DEL VALLE	10
	15		9
TAYLOR	15	LOCKHART	6
	15		9
TAYLOR	15	ROUND ROCK	2
	15		5
TAYLOR	15	DEL VALLE	7
	15		5
TAYLOR	15	BELTON	15
	11		15

ZONE CHAMPIONS



TAYLOR	2	GEORGETOWN	0
TAYLOR	25	A&M CONSOLIDATED	8
TAYLOR	36	LAMPASAS	6
TAYLOR	10	BELTON	10
TAYLOR	40	LOCKHART	14
TAYLOR	35	DEL VALLE	0
TAYLOR	19	ROUND ROCK	0
TAYLOR	18	ROCKDALE	6
TAYLOR	14	BELTON	7

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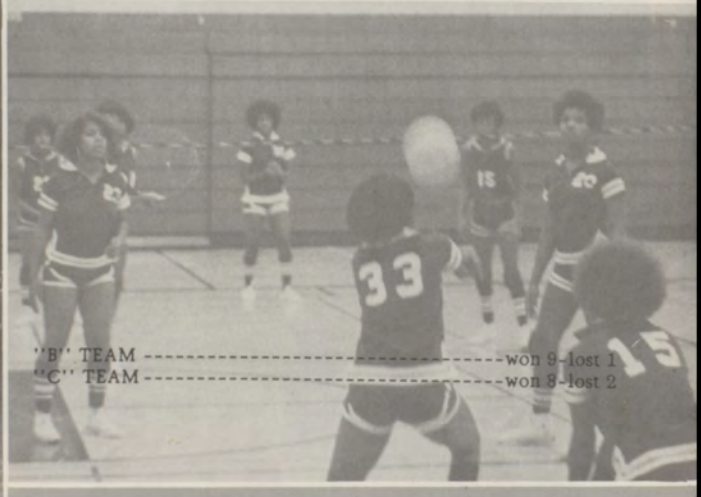


"B" TEAM ----------won 9-lost 1
"C" TEAM ----------won 8-lost 2



JUNIOR VARSITY ----------won 4-lost 3
FRESHMEN ----------won 8-lost 1

TAYLOR	3	LOCKHART	4
TAYLOR	12	ROUND ROCK	2
TAYLOR	3	ROCKDALE	1
TAYLOR	2	DEL VALLE	0
TAYLOR	2	LOCKHART	0
TAYLOR	5	ROUND ROCK	4
TAYLOR	14	DEL VALLE	4

DISTRICT

TAYLOR	7	GEORGETOWN	3
TAYLOR	2	GEORGETOWN	0

BI-DISTRICT

TAYLOR	4	BRENHAM	6
TAYLOR	11	BRENHAM	6
TAYLOR	0	BRENHAM	1

DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL

FIRST PLACE ----------Skin Tights
SECOND PLACE ----------Schroeder's Raiders
THIRD PLACE ----------Kelly's Heroes

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

FIRST PLACE ----------Superstars
SECOND PLACE ----------Troopers
THIRD PLACE ----------BT Express

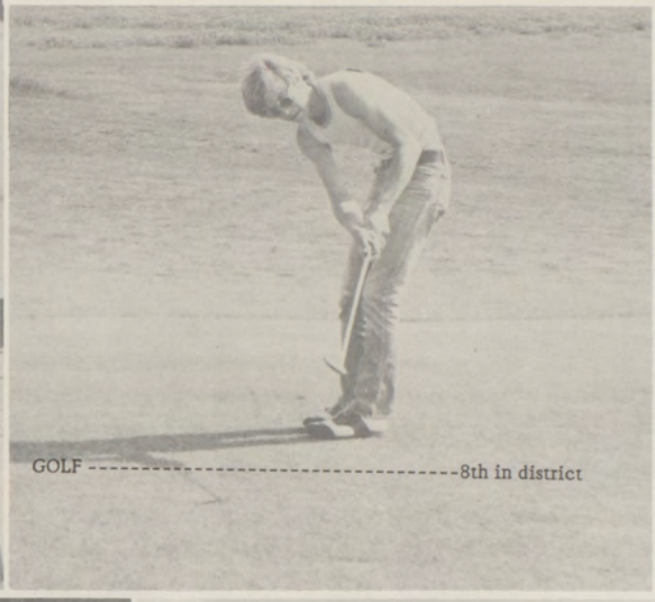
INTRAMURAL PING PONG

BOYS

FIRST PLACE ----------Frankie Krenek
SECOND PLACE ----------Kelly Zetak
THIRD PLACE ----------Gene Moreno

GIRLS

FIRST PLACE ----------Kathie Krenek
SECOND PLACE ----------Kathleen Jackson
THIRD PLACE ----------Rachel Valdez



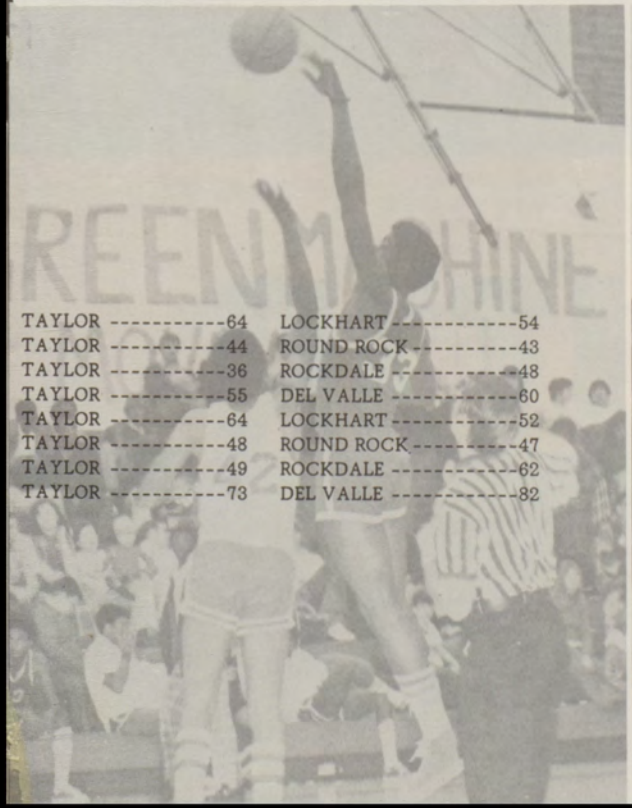
GOLF ----------8th in district



BOYS TRACK ----------4th in district



GIRLS TRACK ----------4th in district



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TAYLOR	44	ROUND ROCK	43
TAYLOR	36	ROCKDALE	48
TAYLOR	55	DEL VALLE	60
TAYLOR	64	LOCKHART	52
TAYLOR	48	ROUND ROCK	47
TAYLOR	49	ROCKDALE	62
TAYLOR	73	DEL VALLE	82



JUNIOR VARSITY ----------won 11-lost 11
FRESHMEN ----------won 10-lost 5

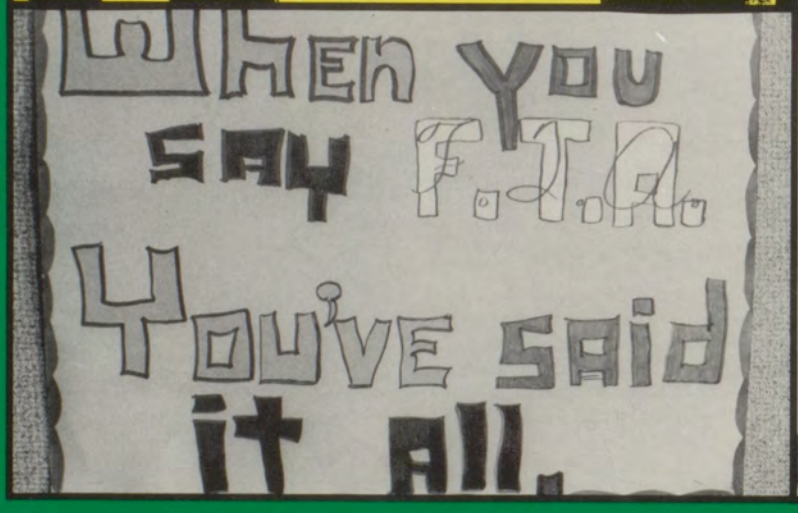












Lights, cameras, ACTION! Taylor High is similar to any stage where each actor has a part to play. Various interests of each student create an involved plot for the story of '75.

Cren Naivar, Tommy Kaspar, James Elliot and Larry Shiller take time to smile for the camera after painting another trash can in their ICT class.

Performing at a PTA meeting was one of the choir's many duties as they continued their winning singing style.

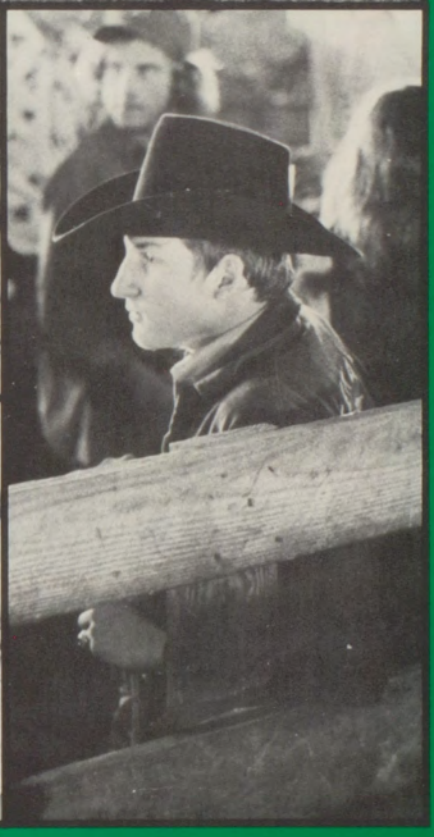
Rhemann's Raiders wait to march off the marching contest field after proving that long hours of practice pays off.

Reminders to "Join our club" decorated the halls the first few weeks of school to











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familiarize new students with all the various organizations.

As president of National Honor Society, Arthur Frerichs helps members make plans for their festival, the "Spring Fling."

Karen Remmel and Debbie Vega inform new Spanish Club members of what will be expected of them during the year.

Charles Schroeder digs up a dime to pay COTTON BOLL representative Neal Janke and Mike Bachmeyer for a copy of the newspaper.

David Stoite patiently waits his turn to show his steer at the Taylor Livestock Show.

Student Government — No Watergate

Characteristic of past Student Senates, poor attendance was common at early Senate meetings. But interest picked up with a deluge of activities.

Since Taylor was elected as district first vice president, hosting the fall convention became their responsibility. At the spring convention, Senate officers conducted a leadership workshop.

When it rains it pours. Ask any Senator who also worked for two solid weeks to construct another top-notch Homecoming Assembly.

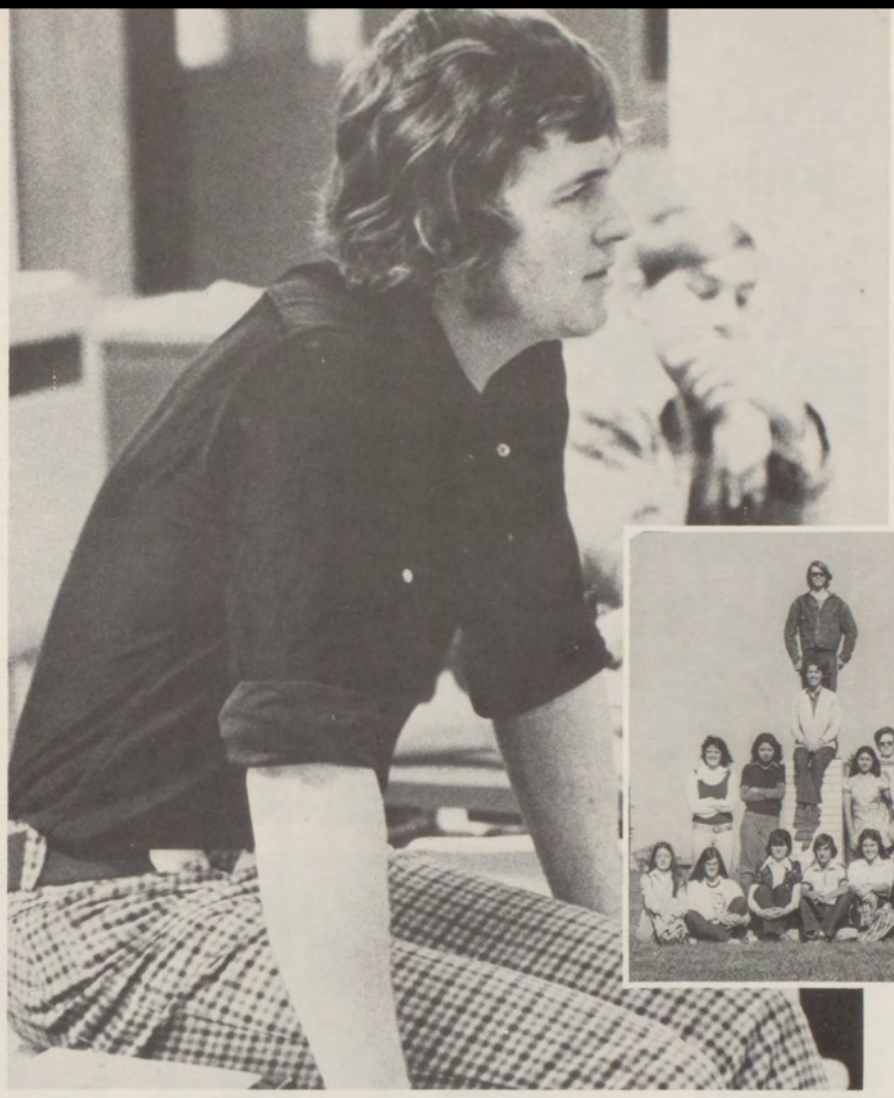
Along with regular duties of scheduling assemblies, conducting Cotton Boll Relays and Homecoming Queen nominations, the Senate topped off the year by running Mr. and Miss THS elections.







LEFT PAGE: (Top) Committee meetings, such as this one with David Caffey, Charles Schroeder, Kandice Poldrack and Harlan Bachmayer, accomplished much for individual Senate projects. (Above) Senators listen attentively as they discuss plans for their best possible Homecoming assembly. (Right) Members of the Duckette Football team prove to the Homecoming assembly audience that they can make just as much noise as their counterparts when warming up. RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Senate President Philip Hohle leads discussion on a talk session for ideas for the upcoming district convention. (Bottom Left) Continuing a tradition, the marching Kazoo Band imitates the High School musicians in a vain attempt to gain world renown. (Bottom Right) Sue Ruzicka, Rodney Bohls, Harlan Bachmayer and Sofie Perez assist in registering out of town guests for the Fall Capital area convention.



STUDENT SENATE: FRONT ROW: Susan Harris, Candy Walker, Sandra Banks, Kieth Rieger, Stancie Schwenker, Kandice Poldrack, Darrell Jackson, vice president; Joy Ponkoney, secretary; Alice Aanstoos, reporter-corresponding secretary; Wade Williams, Philip Hohle, president; Valerie Cox and Myra Martin. SECOND ROW: Susan Tate, Debbie Vega, Nancy Rathke, Sofie Perez, Harlan Bachmayer, Sue Ruzicka, Larry Manley, Griffin Teggeman, Carla Nickerson, Scholley Buzan, Jan Walker, Arthur Frerichs, Rodney Bohls, Michael Bachmeyer and Randall Bachmeyer, parliamentarian. TOP: Johnny Roose and Jimmy Scrivner, treasurer.















UPPER LEFT: At the NHS barbeque Lisa Corbett gazes hungrily at the chicken Greg Teggeman serves her. UPPER RIGHT: In preparation for the barbeque Kandice Poldrack and Alice Aanstoos get the tea ready before the serving begins. ABOVE: Members recite the NHS pledge at the conclusion of the party at Rowe Valley. RIGHT: Daniel Talasek tries to throw rings around soda water bottles during the "Spring Fling" while Bob Smith watches, surprised at Daniel's luck. FAR RIGHT: As Greg Teggeman adds a final touch of flavor to the barbeque, Lisa Jacobson, Griffin Teggeman, Brenda Townsend and Melodie Slagle wonder if they will ever eat all that barbeque. RIGHT PAGE: UPPER: Greg Teggeman pauses from his bookkeeping to let Alice Aanstoos pin an NHS tag on him certifying his new membership. RIGHT: Assisted by Phillip Zavala, Patty Clark, NHS sponsor, chooses an album which she has just won at the "Spring Fling."



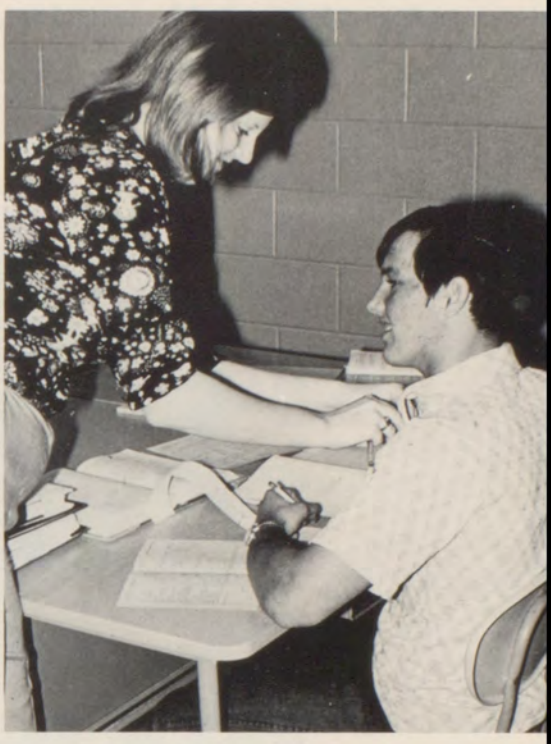
Many Have Wing Ding at NHS Spring Fling

"Spring Fling" was the major project of the National Honor Society this year. Its purpose was to raise money for the annual NHS scholarship and to involve all organizations. Various clubs had booths including a cake walk, a pie throw, a pony ride, a white elephant sale, a movie, a dart throw and various others.

Since NHS was unable to run the Cotton Boll Relays concession stand as in previous years, they decided to sell posters. Though this was a different type of project, it was not very successful.

In the Spring 23 students were added to the club under a new method of choosing. Students interested had to apply thus eliminating those who were not interested in belonging to NHS.

The induction ceremony of new members was held at Rowe Valley. This ceremony, which was led by the officers, was to explain to new members why they were chosen. Officers for 1975-76 school year were also presented at this time.









LEFT: NHS: FRONT ROW: Cindy Bittner, Marianne Ponton, Kandice Poldrack, treasurer; Brenda Townsend, Donna Ryan, Melodie Slagle, Frances Kiesling, Dana Farr and Sherry Krenek. SECOND ROW: Barbara Huser, Sofie Perez, Arthur Frerichs, president; Griffin Teggeman, Cindy Crowley, Diana Sherek, Susan Anderson, Cheryl Raesz, Janis West and Win Williams. BACK ROW: Philip Hohle, Susan Tate, Scott Zetak, Jason Reiger, Debbie Vega, Michael Bachmeyer, Curtis Stauffer, vice president; Kathryn Kotrla, Mike Moss, Renee Scott, Kelly Zetak, Lisa Corbett, Susan Harris, Sue Ruzicka and Rodney Bohls.

Active Librarians Alter the Scene

Many changes occurred during the year for the hard-working Library Club.

A new sponsor, Mary Jean Livingood, helped start the year off right by encouraging members to help make the library a more interesting and informative place for students.

A field trip to the LBJ Library and KLRN-TV in Austin added a bit of enjoyment as well as knowledge to the club activities. Members went to Anderson High School to see how another type of library works.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce donated $350 to help pay for the new set of Encyclopedia Britannicas and Annals of America. To pay the remaining $250, the club took funds from their T-shirt sale which was their money-making project in the early school months.

Bicentennial Day at Taylor High was the major spring project sponsored by the Library Club. An assembly with State Representative Dan Kubiak was the main activity for the day.

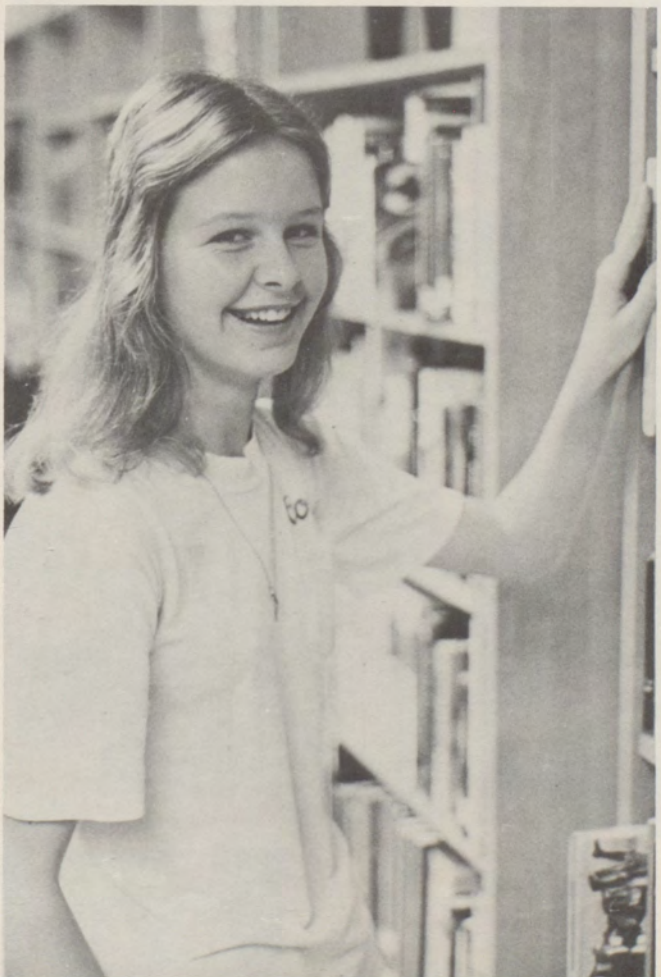










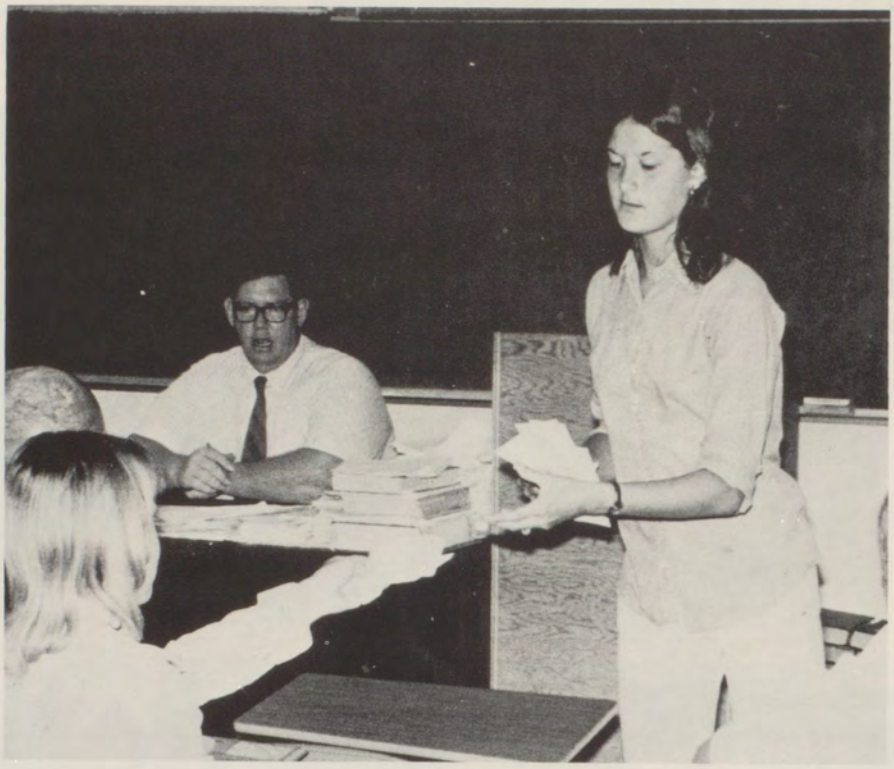


LEFT PAGE: (Above) In preparation for Bicentennial Day Hilaria Medina, Daniel Doss, Sheri Dykowski, David Sykes and Aurora Reyes decorate the library. (Center) At a noontime meeting Sponsor Mary Jean Livingood and club members make plans for their Spring Fling sno-cone booth. (Below Left) Checking to see that books are correctly shelved is only one of the responsibilities of library assistant Hilaria Medina. (Below Right) Library Club members hold a meeting to elect new officers. RIGHT PAGE: (Above Left) LIBRARY CLUB: Penny Sitman, Aurora Reyes, Sheri Dykowski, Kathy Vrana, Debbie Touchstone, Hilaria Medina, David Sykes, Melissa Haverland, Diane Alderete, Roxann Berger, Renee Calder, Sarah Stoll, Larry Manley, David Heap, Daniel Doss and Charlie Pokorny. (Above) Lin Stabeno skillfully operates the video tape machine. (Left) Sheri Dykowski is one of nineteen aides who earns a half-credit working in the THS library.

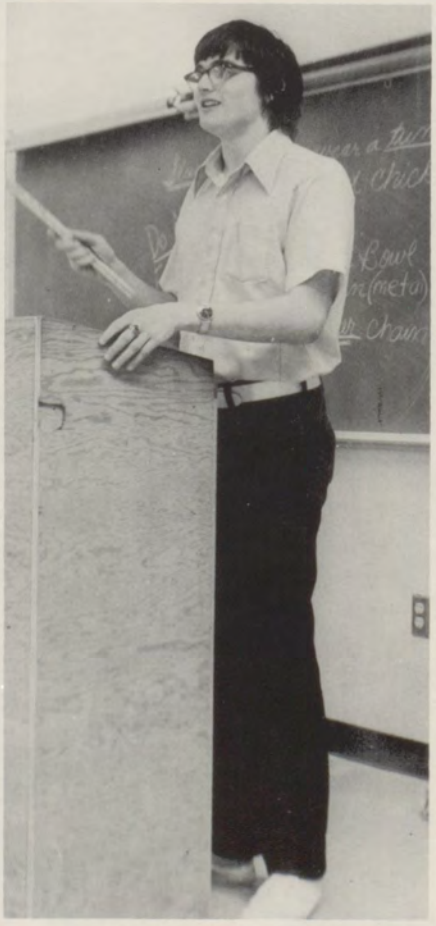
Slaves Gain Freedom From Oppression

With 12 new slaves and 34 returning citizens, Latin Club once again began another year portraying Latin culture in various ways. To supplement the knowledge gained in class, the meetings incorporated films and skits displaying ancient Roman life.

"Circus Maximus" was the theme of the banquet and initiation. After the meal which was served by the slaves, juggling and chariot races were performed. Then began the initiation of the slaves and the punishment of bad slaves. Once this was over the president of the club freed the slaves whose first duty as citizens was to remain and clean up the gigantic mess.









LEFT PAGE: ABOVE: As President Sue Ruzicka gathers the last ballot for King and Queen from Joy Ponkoney, Sponsor John Crow tells everyone about behavior rules for the banquet. BELOW LEFT: With expressions of disbelief, Karen Mazac, Dorie Switzer, Sherri Townsend and Deborah Werchan listen to initiation details. BELOW RIGHT: David Honeycutt warns Latin I members to obey the citizens or suffer the consequences. RIGHT PAGE: LEFT: While Mike Moss covers James Casey's face with mud, they find out what being a slave is all about. BELOW: LATIN CLUB: FRONT ROW: Lois Anderson, Dorie Switzer, Donna Ryan, Sherry Krenek, secretary-treasurer; Cheryl Raesz, Rodney Bohls, Becky Preuss, Stephanie Schneider, Susan Ponton and Rhonda Srnensky, reporter. SECOND ROW: Sherri Townsend, Melodie Slagle, Karen Mazac, Barbara Huser, Diana Sherek, Gilbert Mokry, Deborah Werchan, Jimmy Scrivner, Trey Buzan and Karen O'Rear. THIRD ROW: Alice Aanstoos, Tommy Zett, James Casey, Larry Blomquist, Daniel Doss, Kelly Zetak, Becky Kubala, Lisa Jacobson and Janis West. FOURTH ROW: Laine Holman, Louis Tamez, Larry Kieschnick, Randall Bachmeyer, Thomas Conn, sergeant at arms; Susan Harris, parliamentarian; Lisa Corbett and Joy Ponkoney. FIFTH ROW: Scott Zetak, Curtis Stauffer, David Switzer, David Honeycutt, Alvin Isensee, Bob Smith, vice president; Greg Krenek, Kent Hanacik, Mike Moss and Sue Ruzicka. BELOW LEFT: Sherri Townsend patiently waits for Daniel Doss to finish stuffing her tunic with banquet dinner, while Bob Smith applauds David Switzer for standing on his head. BELOW RIGHT: Latin Club members meet to make preparations for the annual banquet and initiation.







New Ideas and Annual Events

Since 1956, Spanish Club has been a part of the scene at Taylor High. The third sponsor in the history of the organization, Lupe Ramirez, came this year and brought new ideas for projects. The membership consisted of 40 people, and new members underwent the rigors of an initiation in September.

A candy sale began the projects early in the year. On February 8, Spanish Club prepared tacos for the annual Mexican Food supper. Members started a cold drink tumbler sale in April and provided a place for aspiring artists to produce spin-art at the Spring Fling booth. A bake sale provided a final money raising event.

The money went to provide the ingredients of a Thanksgiving basket for a needy family. Then the top 15 members traveled to the Pan American Student Forum Convention in San Antonio. The top members also journeyed to Mexico on a one day trip. All members gathered at the end of the year for a banquet at Rudy Mikeska's.













LEFT PAGE: UPPER: At a lunch-time meeting, Eusabia Gonzales, Lourdes Torres, Ginny Urbanek and Debbie Vega finalize plans for the trip to Mexico. BELOW LEFT: SPANISH CLUB: FRONT ROW: Teri Roose, Ginny Urbanek, John Griep, Patricia Batto, Denise Morales, Teresa Vega, Isabel Soza, Pat Nira, Donna Vega and Lourdes Torres. SECOND ROW: Susan Sobotik, Keith Rieger, JoAnn Mott, Debbie McGee, Pam Brueckner, Raymond Pokorny, Sofie Perez, Hilaria Medina and Eusabia Gonzales. THIRD ROW: Tim Mikeska, Dale Bunge, Laurie Pasemann, Stancie Schwenker, Debbie Vega, Richard Botello, Patrick Jones and Henry Gonzales. BACK ROW: Doug Cotner, Philip Hohle, Tim Pevehouse, Mickey McGee, Margaret Urbanek and Wade Williams. BELOW RIGHT: After a successful bake sale, Spanish Club ended the year with a boost in finances. RIGHT PAGE: UPPER: Debbie Vega looks for prospective customers at the downtown location of the bake sale. ABOVE: Members of the Spanish Club gather at a called meeting to decide on a money-raising project. LEFT: To help members decide on having the bake sale, Lupe Ramirez brings up a convincing argument.

"Extra! Extra! Read All About It!"

Even though much writing was done on the night before a deadline, the COTTON BOLL always appeared on the assigned date.

From political editorials to humorous satires, the school newspaper always had something to offer each student. When the best news stories, features, cartoons, ads, etc. were chosen, they were entered in several contests including the Texas High School Press Association and the Interscholastic League Press Conference.

Early in the year, combined Journalism I and II classes journeyed to Austin to tour the University of Texas student publications, KTBC television station and the Austin-American facilities. Later, six staff members attended the Southwest Journalism Forum at Southern Methodist University.

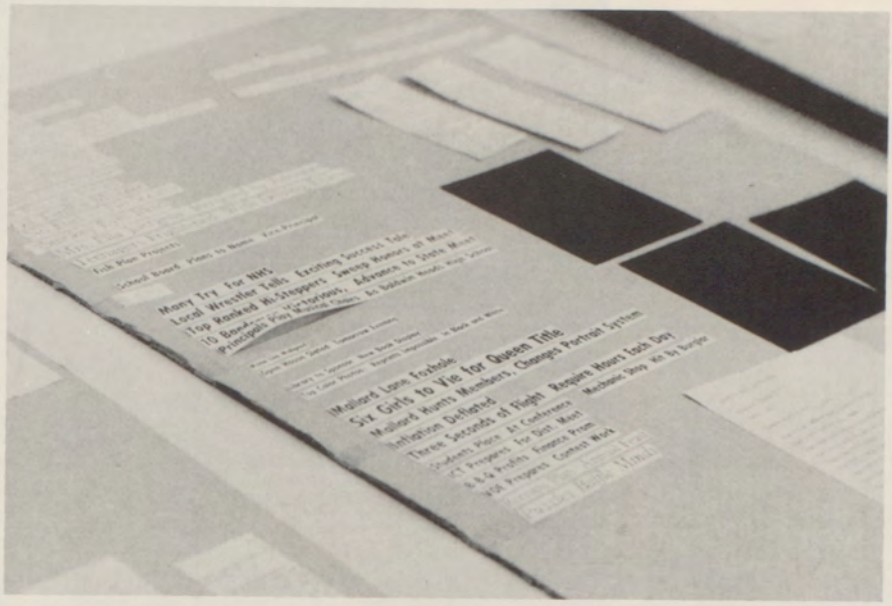
Laying out the paper was a particular duty for JII'ers. This was an awesome task, especially when four additional pages were thrown together at the last minute in order to get all contest material printed. This probably would not have been possible if the staff did not work on in-service holidays.

COTTON BOLL sponsored a school-wide photo contest for the first time. The event was successful with many amazing prints being entered by industrious photographers.

The only money-making project for the year was selling pictures. Camera bugs from both publication staffs joined together on this job and used their profit to buy a new enlarger for the darkroom.







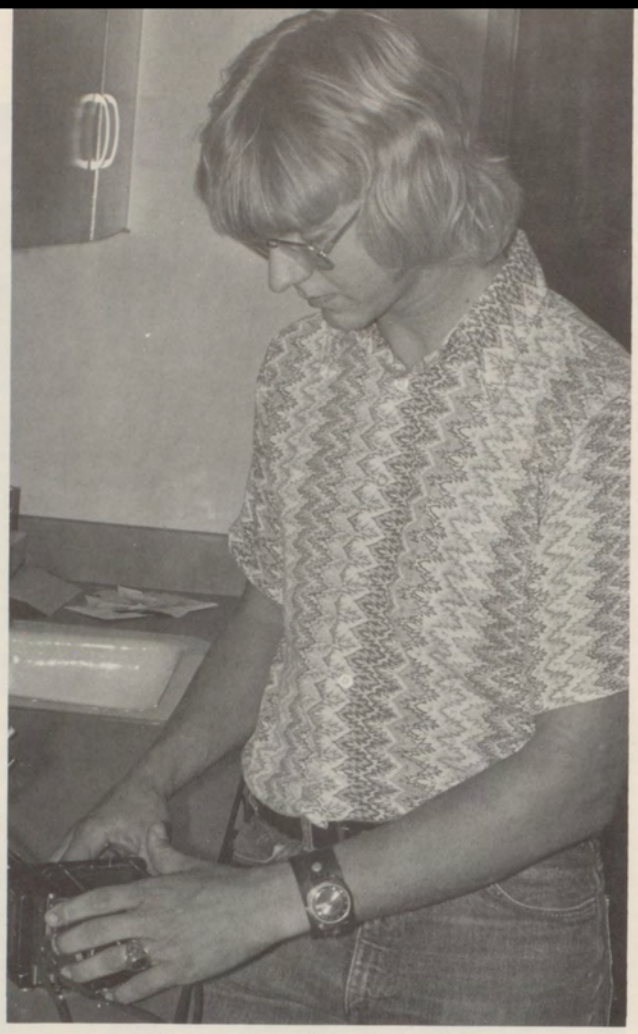
LEFT PAGE: (Top) Alice Aanstoos tries once again to think up another topic for "Salt and Pepper." (Bottom) While Neal Janke finishes typing up another story, Greg Teggeman copy-reads to get stories ready for the press. RIGHT PAGE: (Left) Advisor Vivian Rice helps Janice Kaspar and Alice Aanstoos hunt for pictures for their pages. (Below) Just thrown together, the COTTON BOLL does not look like much until JII staff members construct another winning issue.

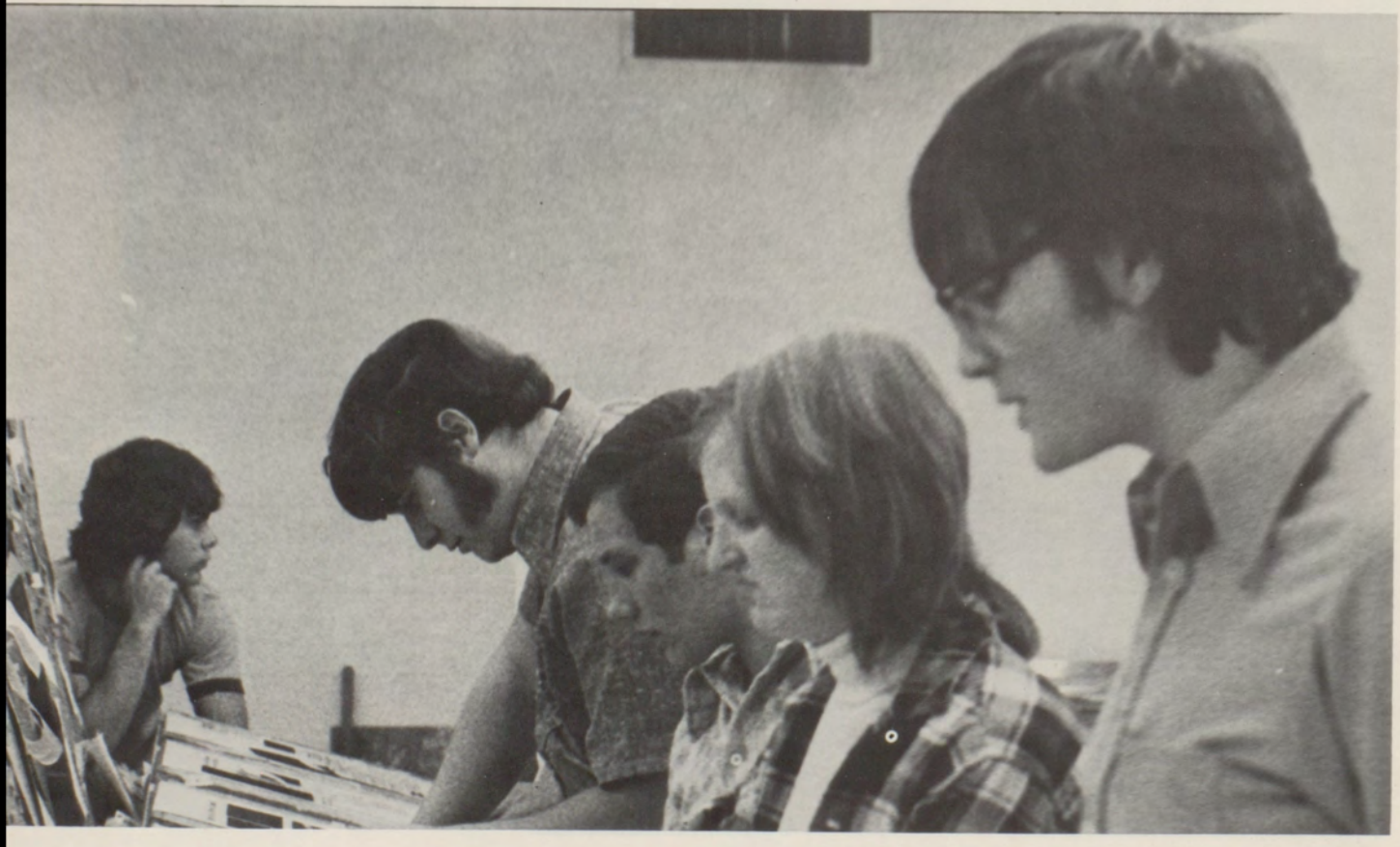




COTTON BOLL STAFF: FRONT ROW: Janice Kaspar, business manager; Alice Aanstoos, news editor; Neal Janke, circulation manager; Larry Whatley, sports editor. BACK ROW: David Honeycutt, editorial editor; Michael Bachmeyer, editor; Greg Teggeman, feature editor; David Stiba, sports writer and Greg Krenek, sports editor.





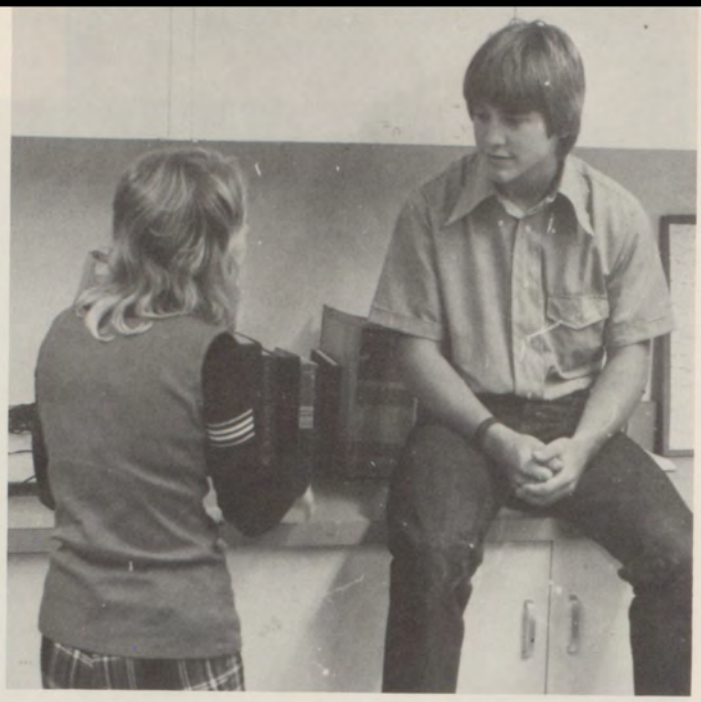




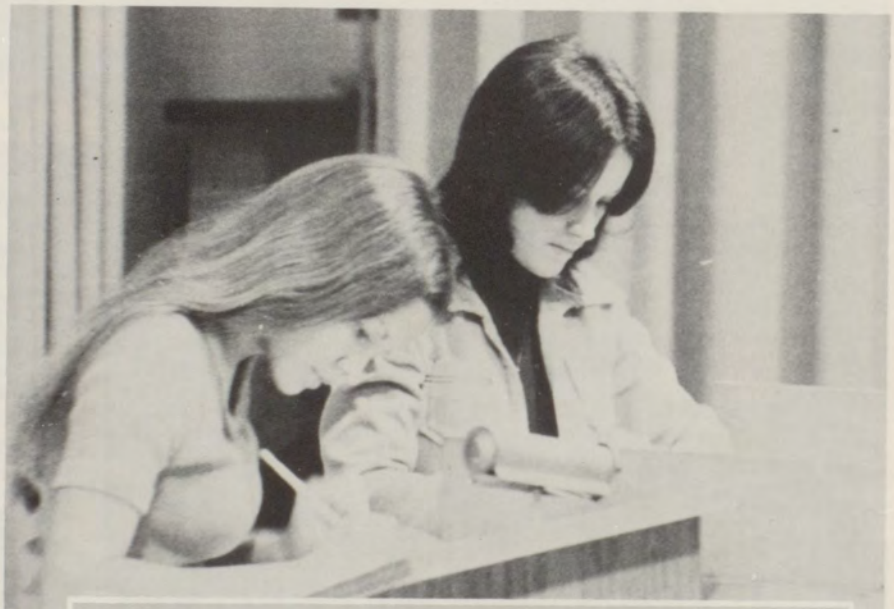


LEFT PAGE: (Left) This typical scene in the journalism work room is evidence of how a lot of work pays off. (Right) Always taking pictures, Donald Randig sets his camera for another shot. (Below) The day before distribution of another COTTON BOLL, David Stiba, Neal Janke, Greg Teggeman, Alice Aanstoos and David Honeycutt are hard at work laying out their pages. RIGHT PAGE: (Top) As different as salt and pepper, two columnists discuss the pros and cons of an issue in each COTTON BOLL. JI: (Above) Mikey Kirschvink, Craig Stafford, John Debus, Doug Kaspar, Katy Borgne, Pam Kaspar, Rodney Bohls, Pat Fry, Johnny Roose, James Nira, Arthur Frerichs, Shelly Anderson, Delia Contreras, Raymond Gonzales, Devvie Brueckner, Karen O'Rear, Lisa Jacobson, James Psencik, Stella Taliaferro, Carla Nickerson, Ava Weise, Kevin Page, Kent Hanacik, Philip Hohle, Frances Kiesling and John Berry. (Left) Mike Bachmeyer and Vivian Rice check headlines for errors before laying them out in the paper.

LEFT PAGE: (Right) Co-sports Editor Rodney Bohls discusses plans for his pages with Advisor Mary Kay Gotcher. (Below Left) As he focuses his camera, Photography Editor Craig Stafford prepares to snap another picture for the yearbook. (Below Right) Susan Ponton and Phyllis Baird keep a record of students' names as they take class pictures. RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Kandice Poldrack, editor, concentrates on adding up the money collected for school pictures as she continues to another room. (Below Left) Yearbook photographers are Bob Smith, Win Williams, Philip Hohle, Curtis Stauffer, Craig Stafford and Rodney Bohls. (Below Right) Taylor Publishing Company representative, Doug Altom, talks with Alice Aanstoos, Joy Ponkoney, Sofie Perez, Kandice Poldrack and David Wingate about the 1974 yearbook and possible improvements. (Bottom) Writing cutlines and cropping pictures are two ways in which Kathryn Koltrla and Donna Ryan aid in putting the MALLARD together.

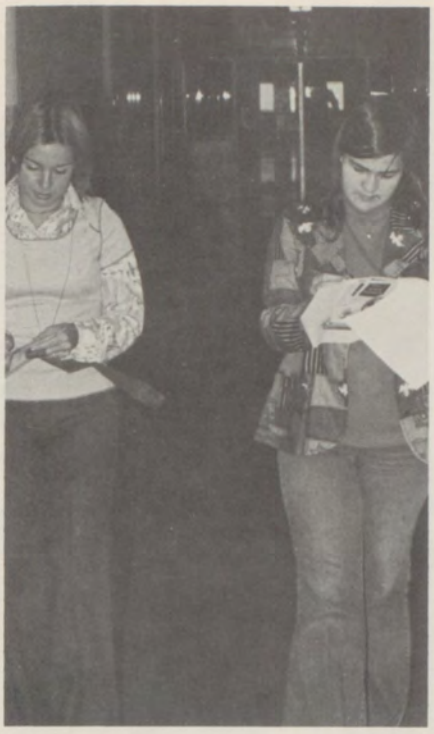






MALLARD: FRONT ROW: Kathryn Kotrla, activities editor; Donna Ryan, academic and index editor; Alice Aanstoos, copy editor; Joy Ponkoney, business manager. BACK ROW: David Wingate, activities editor; Hannah Hooks, circulation manager; Mary Kay Gotcher, adviser; Susan Ponton, student life editors; Sofie Perez, layout editor; Phyllis Baird, class editor; Pam Carmack, assistant layout editor; Mickey McGee and Kandice Poldrack, editor.





One Goal — One Result

Though school began the last week in August, the MALLARD staff began working in midsummer for their goal, the completed MALLARD.

The staff spent three of the most exhausting days of the year helping photographers take class pictures, senior portraits and organization pictures.

The tedious work of trying to reach deadlines kept everyone working morning, lunch and night. Photographers spent hours on end in the darkroom printing pictures, and yet the staff never seemed to have enough. Copy staff searched their minds for cutlines, headlines and copy. For precise layouts, the page design staff worked with photographers for the right effect. Proofreading the pages was a great task because many pages had to be redone and corrections typed.

Everyone felt a terrific sense of relief when the final deadline was met. At the same time, a great feeling of curiosity and excitement filled them as they waited for the day the yearbooks would arrive.







Entertainment in Town, on Tour

From Glee Club to Concert Choir and Choraliers, choirs entertained audiences.

For the Belton halftime presentation, the Choir sang in a patriotic show. Choirs participated in the Homecoming and Easter assemblies. Both Concert Choir and Choraliers starred in individual concerts.

Choir members entered contests and received top ratings on their performances. Twelve singers won a position in the District Choir and one went on to sing in Region Choir. Concert Choir traveled to Contest making a I in concert and a II in sightreading.

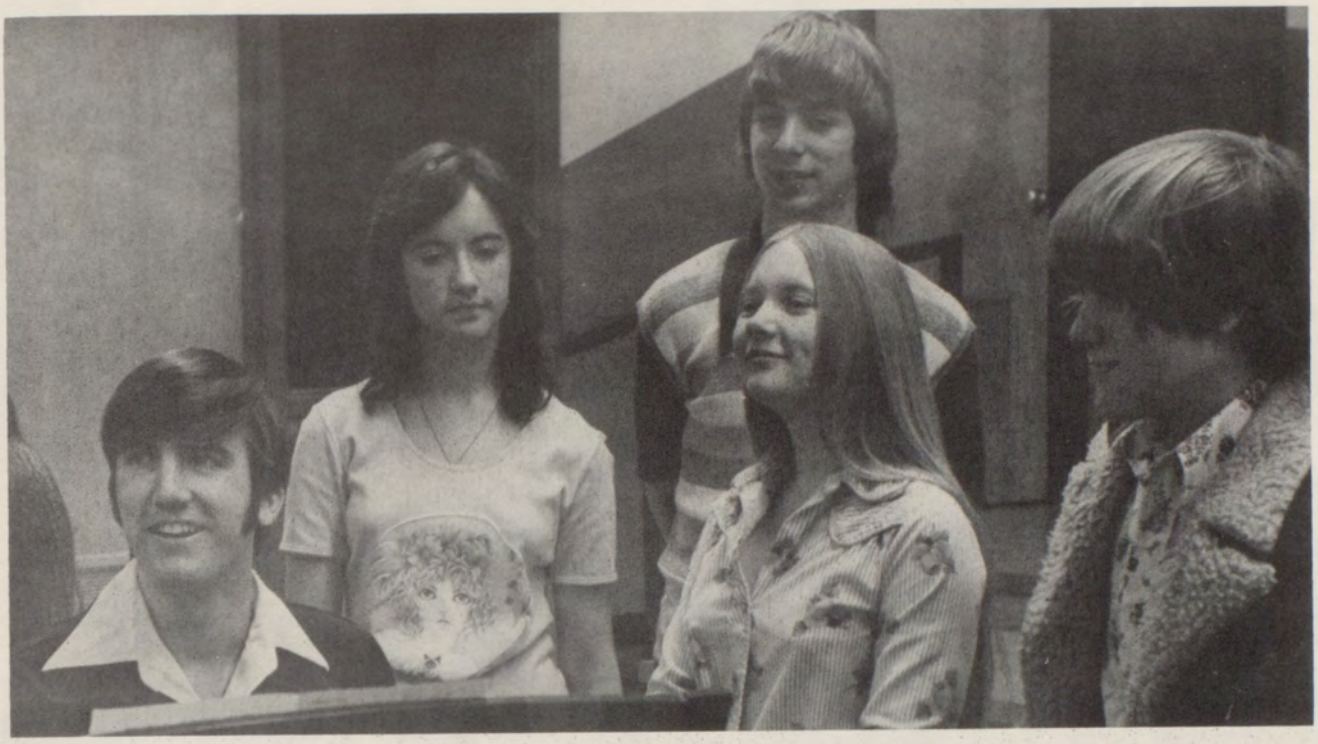
Trips for the Choirs came at the end of the year when Choraliers visited Aquarena Springs and Concert Choir went on tour.



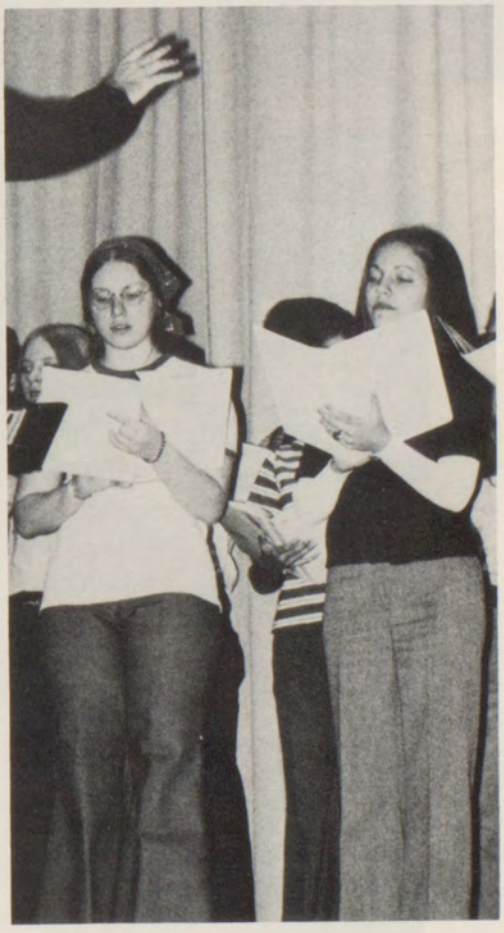




UPPER: Before the singing begins, Sandra Banks studies her music to think through the performances. FAR LEFT: Searching for one piece of choral music, Candy Walker looks through the song file. RIGHT: At a practice for the patriotic halftime show, Larry Koonce directs both the Choir and the Band.

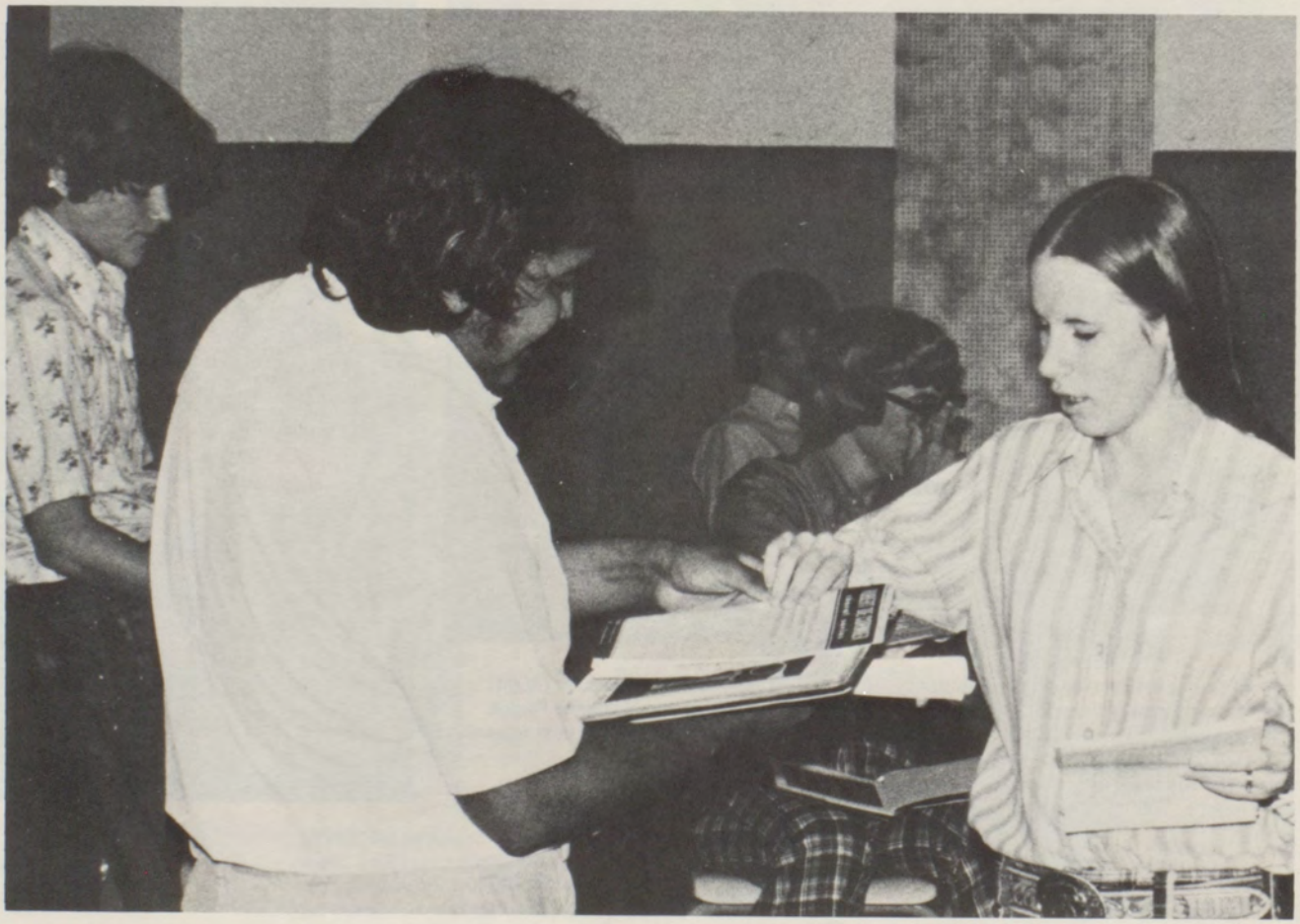






(Top) During solo and ensemble practice, Larry Koonce leads Dana Farr, David Switzer, Sharon Brown and Tim Bulgerin through their madrigal. (Above) Pop Choir waits quietly before starting the next song at the Homecoming assembly. (Right) Frances Kiesling and Marianne Ponton stand ready to perform their next selection at a performance.









LEFT PAGE: UPPER: Choir class also consists of music appreciation as Ricky Gray, Eugene Moreno, Brad Ross and Louis Zachary relax while listening to records. CHORALIERS: FRONT ROW: Lydia Blomquist, Penny Sitman, Joan Peters, Hope Moerbe, Brenda Brockington, Gloria Robinson, Rachel Valdez, Stella De La Rosa, Ofamia Alvarado and Anna Walton. SECOND ROW: Doris Jefferson, Sarah Stoll, Candy Walker, accompanist; Myra Martin, Sharon Campbell, Brenda Hubbard, Jan Zachary and Aurora Reyes. BACK ROW: Charlie Pokorney, Gene Barnett, William Collins, Bruce Turner, Alvin Isensee, Marvin Mapp and Marion Morgan. RIGHT: At the end of the year Philip Zavala passes in music from his folder to Ruth Rowland. RIGHT PAGE: CONCERT CHOIR: FRONT ROW: Sandra Banks, Cynthia Jozwiak, Sharon Brown, Linda Trevino, Cindy Crowley, treasurer; Marianne Ponton, Ruth Rowland, Dawn Burow, Anna Chavana and Shelley Wooldridge. SECOND ROW: Hannah Hooks, Cindy Townsend, Cynthia Harrell, secretary; Francis Kiesling, vice president; Evelyn White, Dana Farr, Ophal Reese, Candy Walker, accompanist and president; Carla Nickerson and Sheila Kruse. THIRD ROW: Elvino Carrizales, Tim Bulgerin, chaplain; David Sikes, Brad Ross, Todd Harris and Larry Blomquist. BACK ROW: Gene De La Rosa, David Switzer, Philip Zavala, Ricky Gray, Louis Zachary, Kevin Gault, Henry Gonzales and Placido Olquin. UPPER: Choir members work together in a skit to amuse the student body at a pep rally. LOWER: For Baccalaureate Kevin Gault, David Sikes, Louis Zachary and Ricky Gray set up risers for the Choir to stand on.

Mardi Gras Trip — Focus on Reality

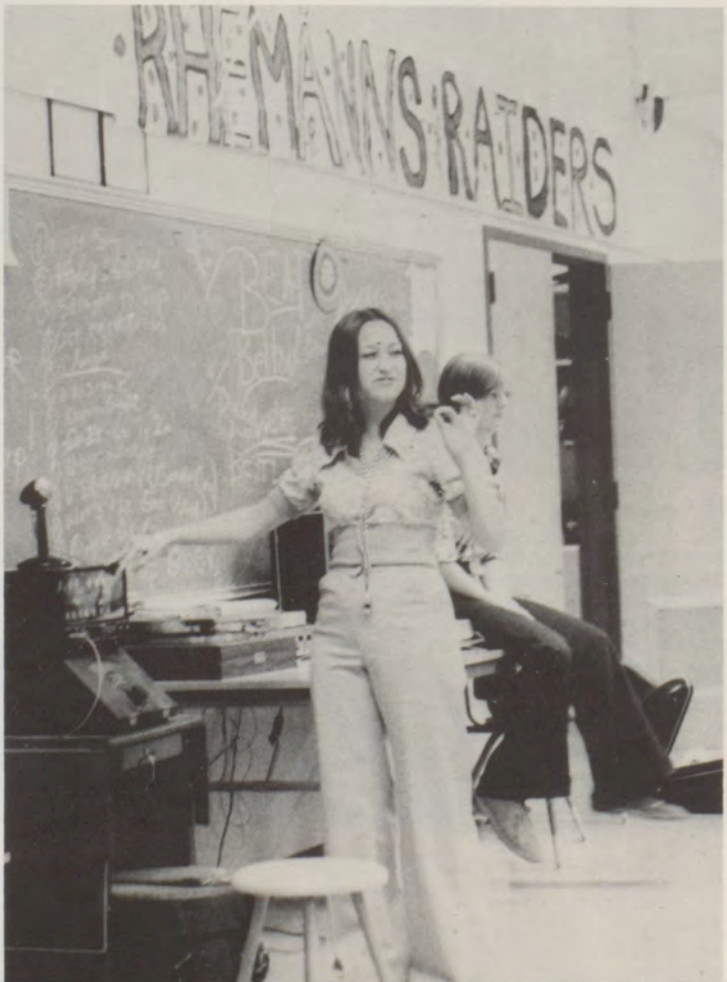
When the possibility of a trip to the Mardi Gras in New Orleans was first presented to the Band, no one believed it would actually come true. With many community contributions as well as profits from various projects, the trip became a reality. Departing on Saturday morning, February 1, Bandsmen set out for New Orleans. Arriving in Kenner, Louisiana later than expected, the exhausted musicians settled down for their first night's stay. They were chosen to lead the seven mile Mardi Gras parade and everyone began to wonder if it would ever end as it seemed to drag on and on. When at last they dissembled, Bandsmen headed on to Jennings to rest their aching feet. After a concert at Jennings High School the next morning and a short shopping spree in Houston they returned home.

Rain prevailed throughout most of the football season and often prevented the Band from marching. Much hard work went into preparation for various contests through the year and they made an excellent rating at Concert contest.

The City Commission named the Band as official emissary of the city of Taylor as a Bicentennial City. They helped to start the celebration by presenting a concert at the "Bicentennial Kick-off." Also at the end of the year the Band received the Bicentennial flag which will be carried at all their future performances.















LEFT PAGE: ABOVE: As they play over their music one last time before Marching Contest, the trumpet section carefully thinks over the routine. LEFT: To assist in Taylor's Bicentennial "Kick-off" the Varsity Band plays a short patriotic concert before the program begins. RIGHT: Drum Major Jan Walker helps someone tune his instrument by indicating he is slightly flat while assistant drum major, Alice Aanstoos, makes sure the rest of the band stays quiet. RIGHT PAGE: ABOVE: In spite of the strong wind Lisa Jacobson, Susan Ponton, Karen Mazac, Tammi Sefcik, Kim Sapp, Jo Ann Mott, Shelia Mahlow, Pam Brueckner, Becky Preusa and Stancie Schwenker enjoy their lunches during the stop at the San Jacinto Battlegrounds before reaching New Orleans. CENTER: Lee Boyd Montgomery, band director from Westlake High School, clinics the band before Concert Contest to help them iron out the rough spots. LEFT: Percussionists Nancy Wingate and Leslie Basco watch closely to come in at the right moment during the "Bicentennial Kick-off" outside of the City Hall.

RIGHT PAGE: (Top) Senior Sarah Berry is measured for her Band jacket, wondering if it will arrive in time for graduation. (Middle Left) Diane Roznovak pays close attention to her music at a pep rally. (Middle Right) Seeking refuge in the student center, Rhemann's Raiders don't let cold, rainy weather prevent them from practicing for contest. (Bottom Left) Relieved after leading the band through another halftime performance are Jan Walker and Alice Aanstoos. (Bottom right) Band received a good rating for their precision drill routine at contest. LEFT PAGE: (Top Left) Sarah Berry, Juanna Seale and Debbie Carpenter get in tune before marching contest. (Top Right) Volunteer band members add spirit and sound to an early evening junior varsity football game. (Bottom) Bandsmen relax on the sidelines awaiting their halftime show at the Lockhart game.

















(Above) BAND: FRONT ROW: Becky Pruess, Dorie Switzer, Lisa Jacobson, Kim Holton, Sharon Nickerson, Donna Ryan. SECOND ROW: Mary Holman, Eusebia Gonzales, Sonja Wingate, Carol Hollowell, Guy Nelson, James Nira, quartermaster; Gaylon Steffek, Dawn Burow, Lee Keel, Delia Trevion. THIRD ROW: Cindy Bittner, Shelia Mahlow, Robin Sutton, Laurie Pasemann, Kandice Poldrack, Brenda Townsend, secretary; Shelly Grieger, Carol Holton, Donna Lutz, Melody Slagle, Karen Page, Susan Ponton, reporter; Cheryl Raesz, Janeane Fuessel, Rhonda Brinkmeyer, Kathryn Seigmund, Alice Aanstoos. FOURTH ROW: Cynthia Jozwiak, Denise Faykus, Renee Scheer, Reva Killingsworth, Pam Finn, Gayle Brister, Diane Roznovak, Teresa Snider, Brenda Zrubek, Sammie Perry, Renee Scott, Karen Mazac, Marie Grieger, Dan Wutrich, Tammi Sefcik, Anita Allen. FIFTH ROW: Lois Anderson, Lisa Campos, Joy Ponkoney, Joe Gomez, Sherry Krenek, Alvin Roznovak, Pam Brueckner, Jimmy Grimm, JoAnn Mott, Joe Walton, Kim Sapp, Charles Hurta, David Slivensky, Pam Kruse. SIXTH ROW: Janice Cubit, Becky Kubala, Barbara Leshikar, assistant quartermaster; Leslie Basco, Molly Stone, Brenda Farr, Pam Carmack, Steve Sutton, Ellen Schmidt, Debbie Carpenter, Sarah Berry, Juanna Seale. BACK ROW: Jan Walker, Brenda Johnson, Terri Briggs, Stancie Schwenker, Marianne Ponton, vice president; Kimberly Klotz, Curtis Stauffer, George Torres and Johnny Roose, president.



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LEFT PAGE: ABOVE LEFT: Having just arrived in New Orleans, Bandsmen make final preparations before the seven mile Mardi Gras parade begins. ABOVE RIGHT: Two key Band members, George Torres and Johnny Roose, forcefully blow their music toward the stands. BELOW LEFT: As they await the announcement of their rating, band members discuss their performance and watch other bands during Marching Contest held in Round Rock. BELOW RIGHT: Jimmy Dodson, city manager, Patsy Bartosh, Bicentennial Chairman, and Calvin Janak, mayor, present the Bicentennial flag and a certificate to Gene Rhemann and the Band. RIGHT PAGE: LEFT: Dorie Switzer and Karen Page show their enthusiasm during the Band's concert at the Cattlemen Association's "Saturday in the Park." BELOW: At the Band banquet, Candy Walker presents Gaylon Steffek with the "Easy Rider Award" for hitching a ride when he gave out during the Mardi Gras parade. LOWER RIGHT: While Barbara Leshikar, Marianne Ponton, Joy Ponkoney and Kandice Poldrack dream of New Orleans, Alice Aanstoos and Jan Walker discuss their plans for the trip.







Involvement and Action With Support the Goal

One of the most active and involved organizations in Taylor High was the Pep Squad. Pep Squad members were always willing to participate in any event that encouraged the football or basketball teams on to a winning season.

Each week that had a football game, Pep Squad members circulated throughout the school selling ribbons and showing their support of the team. Also at football games, they distributed programs, often having fewer than they needed as the crowds became larger and larger.

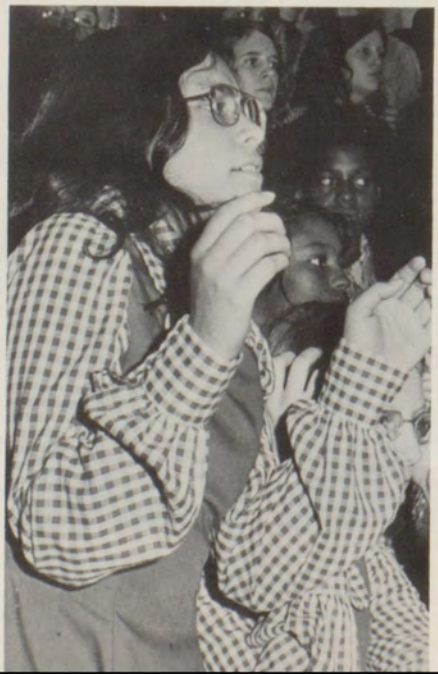
Among their other activities, the Pep Squad helped to brighten the school by making spirit signs. The Pep Squad led the school in spirit, always ready to aid in spirit-raising projects around school.







LEFT PAGE: (Above) Christie McLaughlin and Merry Marek carefully watch a basketball game, ready to offer their support. (Right) During a crucial moment of a football game, Carmen Gamez stands with anticipation of the outcome of the play. (Far Right) Joan Peters and Nora Perez clap at a pep rally during the fight song. RIGHT PAGE: (Above) Pep Squad cheers enthusiastically as Taylor completes a yard gaining play. (Above Right) As the opposing team completes a pass, Irene Martinez yells for the defense to stop the ball on the scrimmage line. (Below) Pep Squad members wait at time out in a football game before beginning the next cheer.













PEP SQUAD: FRONT ROW: Anna Marie Schwenke, treasurer, Sheri Dykowski; secretary, Stephanie Schneider; vice president, Kathie Krenek; president, Myra Martin. SECOND ROW: Patricia Batto, Deborah Werchan, Kathy Vrana, Judy Baron, Sheila Kruse. THIRD ROW: Dewanna Slocum, Casey Smith, Mary Hollan, Linda Gault, Glenda Ross. FOURTH ROW: Joan Peters, Isabel Soza, Carmen Gamez, Susan Walton, Delores Lopez. FIFTH ROW: Debbie Touchstone, Peggy Janak, Merry Marek, Betty Wiesner, Donna Eiben. SIXTH ROW: Lou Ann Mokry, Debra Norris, Christi McLaughlin, Denise Morales, Nora Perez. BACK ROW: Eva Smith, Irene Martinez, Debbie McGee, Vickie Hughes, Candy Walker, Sharon Campbell, Annette Martin, Beth Merka, Claudia Lee, Janet Jackson.

Work Yields Success

Work started early for Hi-Steppers and 1974-75 developed into a full and very successful year. After school practices and extra hours proved to be worthwhile as the year went on.

Along with learning routines, time was used in money-raising projects. Hi-Steppers helped in the selling of ads for the football programs. Then at Homecoming, Hi-Steppers handled the mum sale. Practice intensified during the football season to perfect a new performance for every game and some pep rallies.

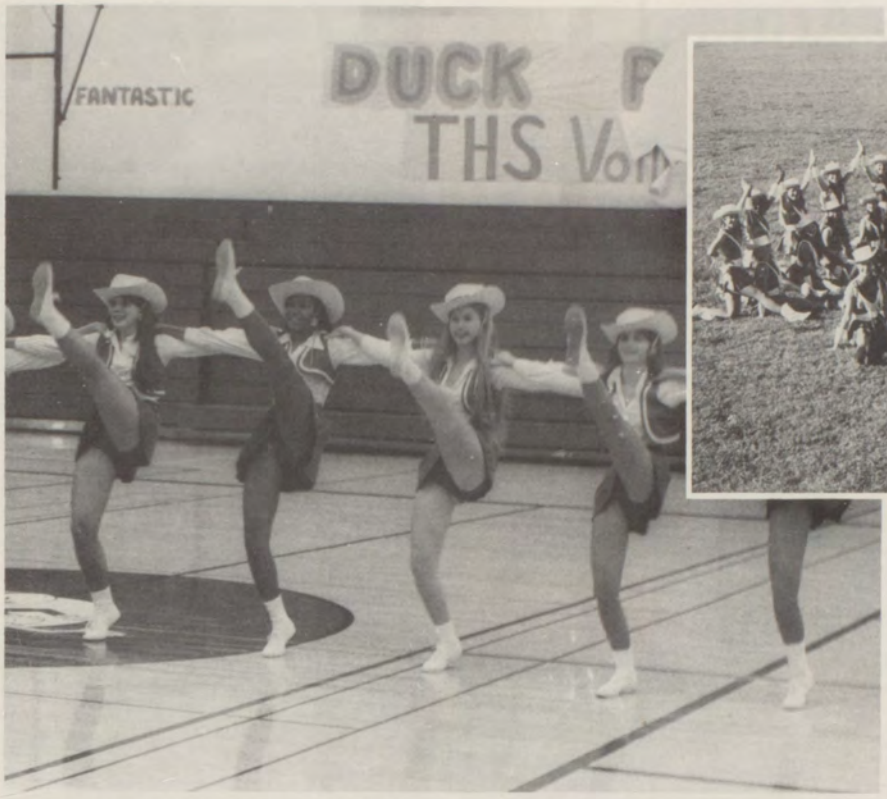
An extraordinary treat was in store for the senior officers who were chosen to march as the flag bearers for the Band at the Mardi Gras. However, the real reward for a year of hard work was the Sweepstakes Award earned at the East Texas State University Drill Team Contest for a first division rank in jazz, prop and high kick competitions.



















LEFT PAGE: (Above Left) Sandra Mazac, Patricia Hobbs, Lisa Corbett and Pam Kaspar perfectly execute a routine. (Above Right) Sandra Mazac continues to smile while counting and keeping time to the music. (Below Left) Margaret Urbanek, Irene Chapa, Diane Strmiska and Vickie Marburger take a last minute check of make-up and uniforms before they line up for a performance. (Below Right) Hi-Steppers wait before they march out to perform before the student body at a pep rally. RIGHT PAGE: (AbOVE LEFT: Practice pays off in perfection for Barbara Conn, Cynthia Harrell, Margaret Urbanek and Susan Sobotik as they high kick in unison. (Above) HI-STEPPERS: FRONT ROW: Vickie Marburger, captain. SECOND ROW: Margaret Urbanek, second lieutenant; Patricia Hobbs, first lieutenant; Sandra Mazac, co-captain; Phyllis Baird, first lieutenant and Janis West, second lieutenant. THIRD ROW: Jeana Vanacek, Colleen Baird, Lisa Corbett, Janice Kaspar, Liz Lawrence, Diane Strmiska, Ava Weise, Barbara Conn, Susan Harris, Mary Griep, Scholley Buzan, Beverly Bearden and Irene Chapa. LAST ROW: Teri Roose, Cynthia Harrell, Rhonda Srnensky, Pam Kaspar, Pat Strmiska, Sue Ruzicka, Carla Nickerson, Susan Sobotik, Teresa Leshber, Ginny Urbanek, Vanessa Cox, Pam Wyche, Carla Dial and Heidi Aguilar. (Center) On the way home from contest, Hi-Steppers relax after earning the Sweepstakes Award. (Below Left) Before their turn to go through the routine, Hi-Steppers watch other members at an afternoon practice. (Below Right) For a different type of routine, Hi-Steppers execute a performance using props.

On Stage Plays Around

Though On Stage '75 started the year off rather slowly, things soon began picking up as many projects came their way.

On Halloween night Drama Club created a Spook House in the cafeteria which was a big success. Dramatists fixed themselves up as goblins, fortune tellers and other such freaky creatures. Many people came to be amused and somewhat frightened by them.

An attempt to create the play "You Can't Take It With You" was unsuccessful because of lack of rehearsal time. Producing Charles Dicken's "A Christmas Carol" for the Christmas assembly showed the extreme concentration and dedication involved in producing a play. Although they did not place their play "Goodbye to the Clown" in UIL competition, the star of the performance was chosen to be a member of the All-Star Cast.



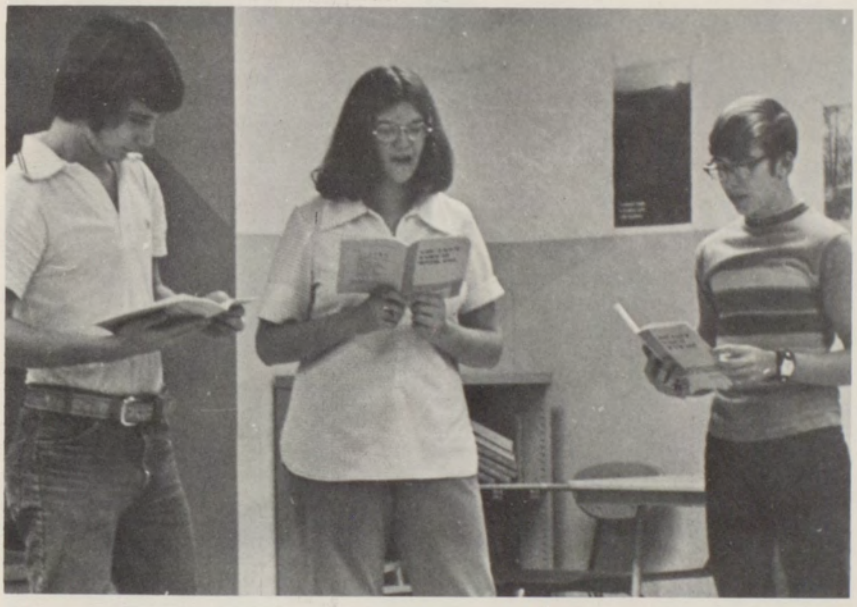


ABOVE RIGHT: Philip Hohle puts on the finishing touch before his lead performance in "Goodbye to the Clown" for which he was chosen to be a member of the All-Star Cast. ABOVE: As they watch the presentation of awards, Delia Contreras, Diana Sherek and Jimmy Scrivner wonder if their name will be called. RIGHT: Terry Farr plays the part of a vampire at the Spook House.

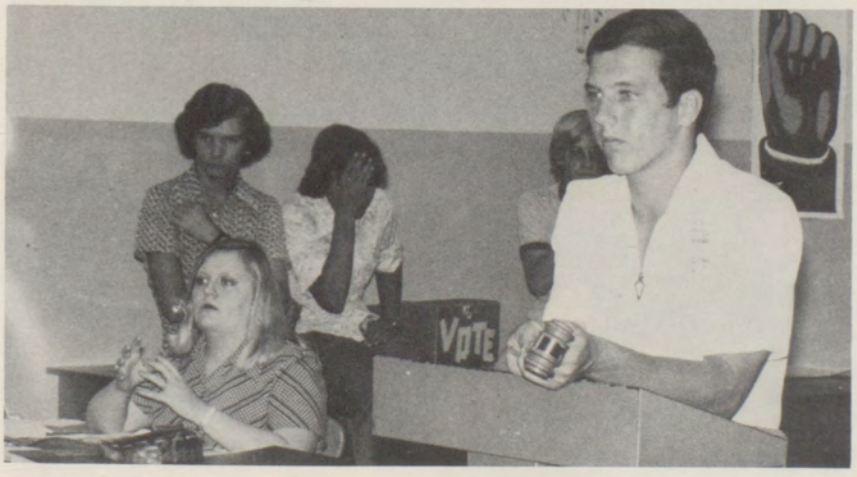






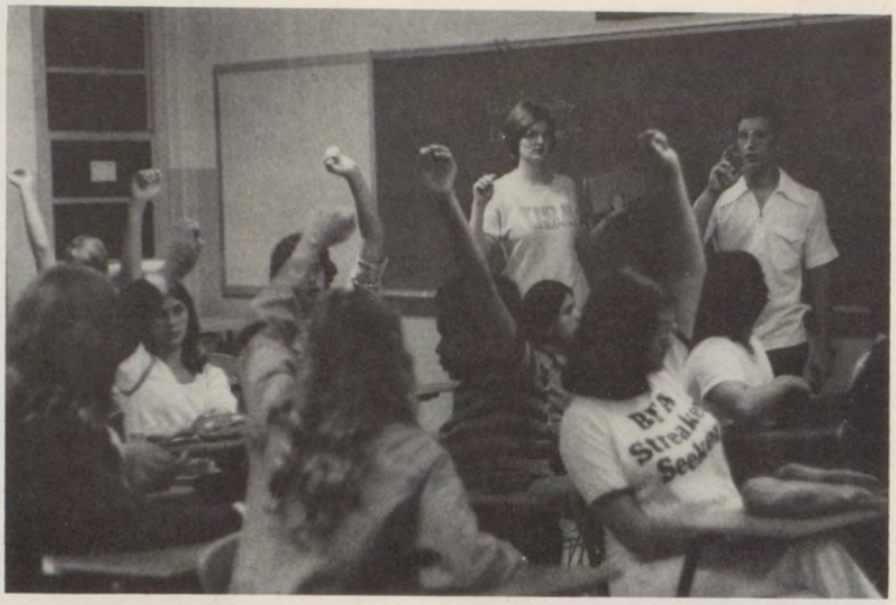






(Top Left) During play practice, Griffin Teggeman and Cynthia Jozwiak read through their lines. (Top Right) Carriers Tommy Zett, Ron Schaefer and Doug Kaspar support baby-duck Delia Contreras. (Above Left) Doug Kaspar, Candy Walker and Gilbert Mokry enact a scene from the three-act play. (Above) Coledon Bosley studies his part in the play. (Left) Sponsor Dee Grimm makes a point at an On Stage meeting as Duane Danek, Steve Ging, Ron Schaefer and Griffin Teggeman listen.



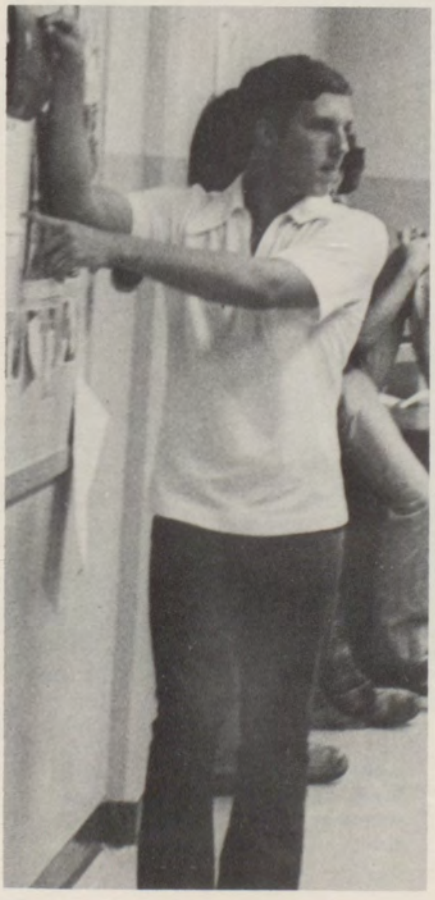




ABOVE: Winning the Best Public Speaker Award, David Honeycutt gives an impromptu speech at the Drama Club party. ABOVE RIGHT: Drama Club members take time out from play practice to vote on officers for the coming year. RIGHT: At the Drama Club party, Ginny Urbanek gives an impromptu speech on how to turn a guy down for a date. RIGHT PAGE: UPPER LEFT: Making signs to advertise the Spook House, Delia Contreras, Debbie Carpenter, Marie Greiger, Kim Robb and Cynthia Jozwiak try to give them a scary appearance. FAR RIGHT: DRAMA CLUB: FRONT ROW: Roxanne Berger, Cheryl Raesz, Sherry Krenek, Molly Stone, Mary Hollan, Delia Contreras, Becky Preuss, Marie Greiger, Heidi Aguilar and Tim Kinsley. SECOND ROW: Gary Lankford, Pam Carmack, Gilbert Mokry, Ron Schaeffer, Cynthia Jozwiak, Diana Sherek, Kathryn Kotrla, Jeanie Wilborn, Leslie Basco, Dawn Burow, Ginny Urbanek and Jimmy Scrivner. THIRD ROW: Irene Chapa, Dan Wuthrich, Larry Blomquist, Harold Nelson, Terry Farr, Griffin Teggeman, Kelly Zetak, Denise Faykus, Hannah Hooks, Gregory Teggeman, Liz Lawrence and Isabel Medina. FOURTH ROW: Abby Frazier, Dana Farr, Vickie Randig, Connie Kelso, Doug Kaspar, James Walton, Willard Guidry, Delores Lopez, Diana Alderete and Darlene Cervenka. FIFTH ROW: Alice Aanstoos, Charlene Stolte, Donna Daughtry, Stella Taliaferro, Pam Kaspar, Vickie Kromas, Daniel Doss, David Honeycutt, Tommy Zett, Katy Borgne, Joy Ponkoney and Candy Walker, BACK ROW: Sandra Banks, Barbara Conn, Kim Robb, Carol Holton, Ruth Rowland, Mitchell Gipson, Steve Ging, Philip Hohle, Laine Holman, Ron Tysdal, Robert Rathke, Coledon Bosley and Michael Bachmeyer. LEFT: As a token of appreciation, Heidi Aguilar presents sponsor, Deborah Grimm, with a small gift. FAR RIGHT: Griffin Teggeman points out possible dates for the Spook House.









Honors Overflow Through Dedication

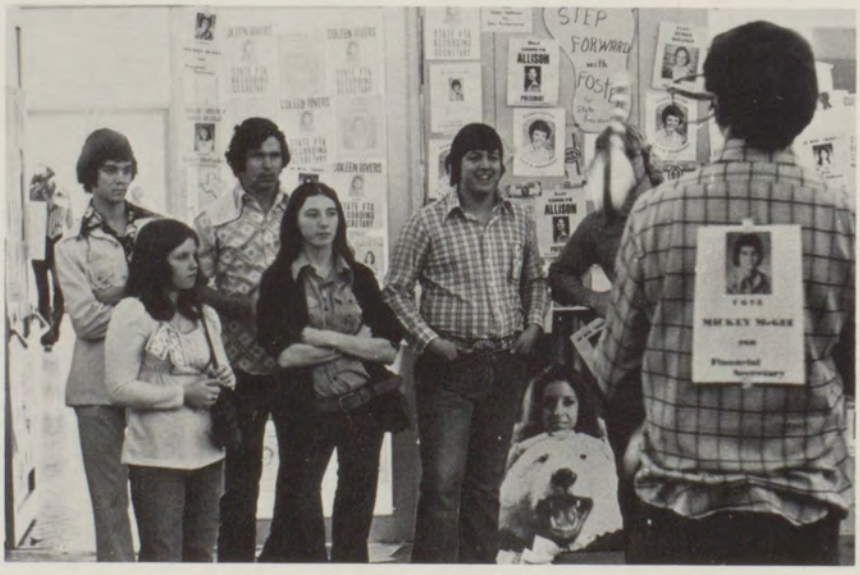
Helping with the Library Story Hour, typing report cards for Middle School, trick or treating for United Nations Children's Fund and receiving a service award for outstanding contributions in the Cystic Fibrosis Drive were activities on which Future Teachers were a major part.

The tedious job of preparing for District Convention paid off as the Taylor Chapter was named "Best Chapter" along with several other awards.

More time and effort were spent to prepare for State Convention. Members worked constantly on their candidate's campaign for State Office. They received an award for one of the Top Ten projects and scrapbooks and also second place for their non-commercial yearbook.

A banquet at Rudy Mikeska's Barbeque climaxed the year for FTA members. Speaker, Jack Roberts, discussed job opportunities and new officers were installed, bringing forth another year.







UPPER: FTA girls finish pinning on campaign material and making final preparations before going inside the Reagan gym to support their candidates for district. ABOVE: To promote Mickey McGee's campaign for State Financial Secretary, Bob Smith performs his juggling feats as people gather around to watch. LEFT: As they discuss plans for Mickey McGee's campaign, Susan Sobotik, Scholley Buzan, Kandice Poldrack and Mickey McGee try to come up with a unique theme.





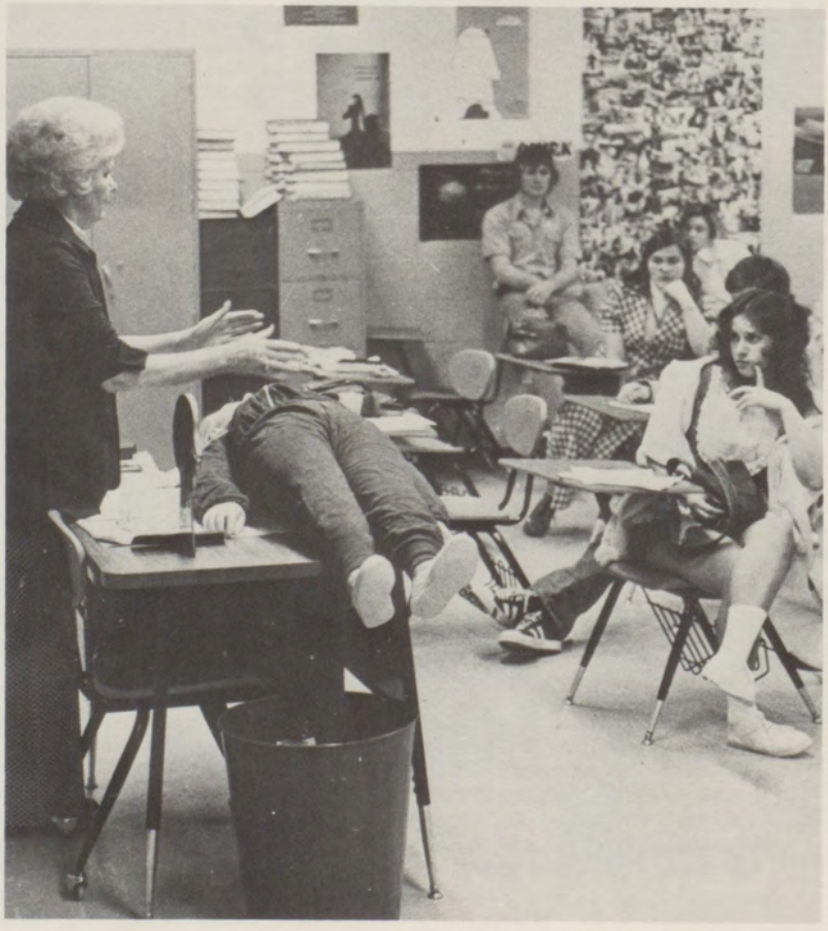


(Above Left) Kandice Poldrack pins the ribbon on the door that won the honorable mention prize in the FTA door-decorating contest for Homecoming. (Above Right) To help elect Taylor candidates at the state convention, Shelia Kruse joins in a campaign song. (Left) At an FTA meeting, Philip Hohle and Peggy Mott laugh before discussing the business at hand.















LEFT PAGE: UPPER LEFT: FTA: FRONT ROW: Sue Ruzicka, Susan Harris, Cindy Townsend, Becky Preuss, Becky Kubala, Marie Grieger, Susan Ponton, Debbie McGee, Neva Klotz, Lou Ann Mokry, Debra Norris, Jan Walker, Donna Ryan, Delia Contreras, Stephanie Schneider, Sheila Mahlow, Tammi Sefcik, Carla Nickerson and Ophal Reese. SECOND ROW: Ruth Kincl, Debbie Raesz, Cindy Crowley, Barbara Conn, Cynthia Harrell, Pam Brueckner, Lisa Jacobson, Susan Sobotik, Vanessa Cox, Carla Dial, Ginger Kaiser, Sherry Pasemann, Vicki Kromas, Frances Kiesling and Myra Martin. THIRD ROW: Sponsor Joyce Quebe, Stancie Schwenker, Scholley Buzan, Kathie Krenek, Laurie Pasemann, Ginny Urbanek, Heidi Aguilar, Vickie Randig, Molly Stone, Denise Faykus, Donna Tiemann, Judy Kropp, Cindy Bittner, Kandice Poldrack, Carol Kaspar and Sharon Brown. FOURTH ROW: Alice Aanstoos, Joy Ponkoney, Brenda Townsend, Diane Roznovak, Dana Farr, Cheryl Raesz, Sherry Krenek, Leslie Basco, Melodie Slagle, Deborah Werchan, Teresa Snider, Liz Lawrence, Rhonda Srnensky, Pam Wyche and Donna Repa. BACK ROW: Scott Zetak, Sandra Banks, Charlene Stolte, Carol Hollowell, Anita Allen, Merry Marek, Sherri Townsend, Candy Walker, Dawn Burow, Kim Holton, Donna Barron, Karen O'Rear, Lisa Corbett, Sharon Young, Mary Griep, Annette Martin, Sharon Campbell, Shelly Grieger, Sheila Kruse, Donna Lutz, Kim Robb, Curtis Stauffer, treasurer; Mike Bachmeyer, David Rozacky, Gary Lankford, Trey Buzan, Mickey McGee, Wade Williams, Kevin Page, Eric Cupp, Brad Ross and Robert Norris. UPPER RIGHT: Candidate for state voting delegate at district convention, Sue Ruzicka, talks over last minute details with district voting delegates Stancie Schwenker and Mike Bachmeyer before giving her speech. LOWER LEFT: Delighted with all the awards received at district convention, Kim Holton and Historian Jan Walker leave with high hopes for State Convention. LOWER RIGHT: Irene Arning explains how to apply artificial respiration at an FTA meeting. RIGHT PAGE: ABOVE LEFT: FTA President Kandice Poldrack discovers what teaching is really like as she practice teaches a fifth grade math class. ABOVE: Vice President Karen O'Rear, Dean Corbett and Secretary Ginger Kaiser finish their meal as Jack Roberts begins speaking on job opportunities. LEFT: To gain knowledge in the teaching field, Jan Walker practices teaching for Patty Clark's English classes.

Helping Themselves and Others

Future Homemakers of America changed this year when a representative to executed meetings were elected from each class. Finances for the year's events came from a concession stand and the sale of Stanley and Tupperware products.

Style shows and open houses involved FHA girls in activities. More than 80 young women aided in the cystic fibrosis drive, and all members made favors for rest homes. FHA also encouraged people in the self-improvement "Encounter" program. Seamstresses made and repaired learning materials and gave parties for the children at the Child Development Center. Twenty-seven Taylor girls attended an area FHA meeting and six continued on to the state conference.







UPPER: Before she starts cooking Patricia Batto finds the ingredients she needs as Denise Blakley and Eloise Thomas look on. FAR LEFT: To learn homemaking skills, Denise Blakley and Ofamia Alvarado prepare a meal during class. RIGHT: Shelia Mahlow models garments she made for homemaking in a style show for the Parent Teachers Association.







(Top) Teri Roose watches closely as Mary Frances helps straighten out her material before pinning the pattern to it. (Middle) FHA: FRONT ROW: Janie Sandoval, Mary Carmona, Delores Domingez, Donna Eiben, Sylvia Ortiz, Lupe Domingez, Denise Morales, Isabel Soza, Ramona Urbanek, Tammi Sefcik, Sheila Mahlow, Nora Perez. SECOND ROW: Patricia Zucknick, Dianna Krieg, Monica Mekolik, Debra Voigt, Edna Gonzales, Cynthia Loeve, Deborah Cervenka, Darlene Cervenka, Cynthia Harrell, Marianne Ponton. THIRD ROW: Mary Griep, Donna Barron, Teresa Snider, Debbie Raesz, Kathie Krenek, Pam Henry, Betty Weisner, Cheryl Raesz, Molly Stone, Yvonne Zachary. FOURTH ROW: Irene Gonzales, Denise Jefferson, Janice Cubit, Brenda Johnson, Debra Norris, Becky Kubala, Lois Anderson, Christi McLaughlin, Peggy Janak. LEFT: As she models the dress she made in homemaking, Marie Grieger quickly walks off stage.



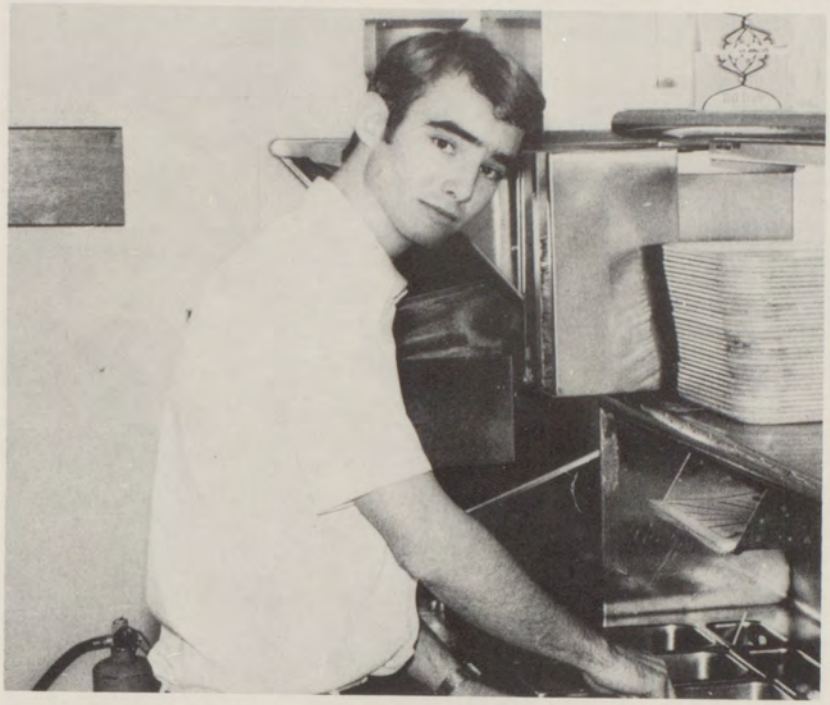


FHA: (Above) FIRST ROW: Dorie Switzer, Marie Grieger, Kim Robb, Delia Contreras, Gayle Brister, Rhonda Brinkmeyer and Lisa Corbett. SECOND ROW: Debbie Cantrell, Louise Alvarez, Carol Hollowell, Delores Jonse, Reve Killingsworth, Janet Jackson, Ofamia Alvarado, Denise Blakely, Ella Harris and Sherri Campbell. THIRD ROW: Karen O'Rear, Lou Ann Mokry, Debbie Martin, Connie Kelso, Teri Roose, Pat Strmiska, Vanessa Cox, Pam Wyche, Lisa Buzan, Katy Borgne, Carla Nickerson, Doris Frederick and Janice Zachary. (Above Right) Homemaking I girls Dorie Switzer, Marie Grieger, Donna Lutz and Kim Robb happily go about cleaning their kitchen. (Right) During the Homemaking style show, Katy Borgne models the long dress she created. FHA: (Below) Janis West, Ginger Kaiser, Jana Parker, Lulu Torres, Irene Chapa, Emily Chapa, Mary Gayton, Sue Ruzicka, Judy Kropp, Denise Hubbard, Roxanne Berger, Annette Martin, Myra Martin, Glenda Ross and Brenda Hubbard.





Knowledge From Books to Life



As an integral part of the homemaking co-op class, Home Economics Related Occupations offered a class for adapting to human relationships when working. All members of HERO worked in homemaking related jobs. One class a day provided a place to gain knowledge about the working world.

The club met and discussed business during classtime. A football game concession stand financed the year's activities. The major project was visiting and entertaining residents at the SPJST rest home on alternate Fridays. The employee/employer banquet ended the year.







UPPER: The first and only male member of HERO, Forrest Corne, works preparing food at Dairy Queen. ABOVE: As Gene Satterfield goes to check on french fries, Mary Carpenter begins frying another hamburger for the Sonic Drive-In. LEFT: FHA AND HERO: FRONT ROW: Debbie Ingram*, Beverly Lefner*, Debra Kaiser, Lucy Lopez, Linda Estrada, Mary Polasek, Helen Flores, Diane Oranday, Gloria Robinson, Ora Tanksley*, Rhonda Sorrels, Sharon Nickerson* and Claudia Lee. BACK ROW: Sharon Polasek, Diane Manley*, Valerie Cox*, Terry Matetzschk*, Debra Shamard*, Forrest Corne*, Vanita Sorenson*, Josie Sandoval*, Linda Strimiska, Peggy Kilgore and Renee Davis*. (*Denotes HERO member)

Raising Crops and Stock

Future Farmers of America completed a school year of attending stock shows, money making projects, raising animals and working to improve the school farm.

To help pay for expenses, the club had their annual fruit sales along with a calendar sale.

Members showed their animals at stock shows in Georgetown, Houston and Taylor.

In October, faculty sponsors Emerson Brister and Steve Suchomel attended the National Convention of Future Farmers in Kansas City.

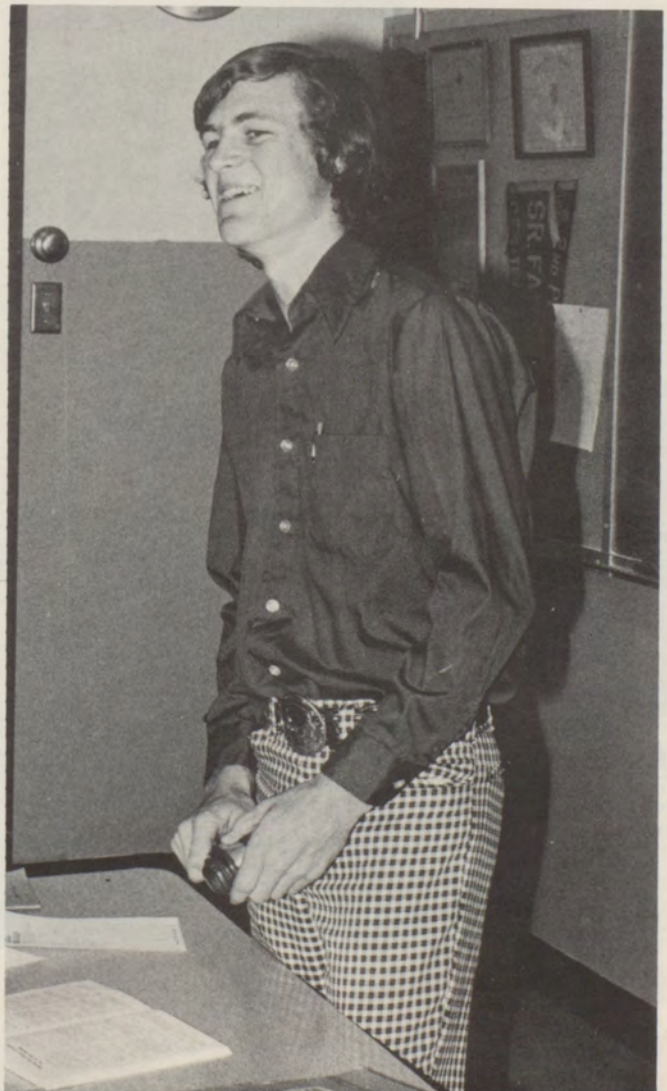
From selling fruit to working on the school farm FFA members found some way to keep busy.











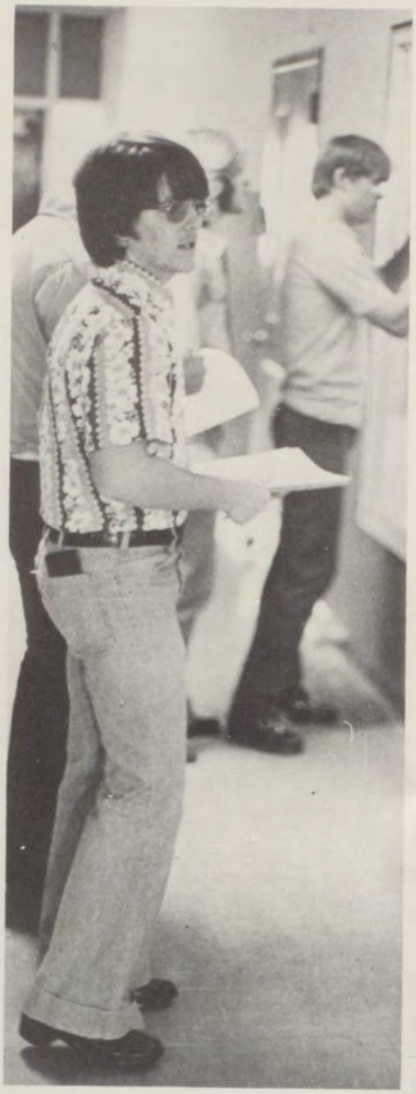
LEFT PAGE: TOP: Albert Janecka and Lin Stabeno clamp down on the wire and wait for it to be welded. LEFT: Ag teacher Harold Kurtz shows students Randy Haverland, Albert Janecka and Lin Stabeno the procedure of welding. RIGHT: Harold Kurtz and Emerson Brister, Ag teachers, watch students show their animals at an annual livestock show. RIGHT PAGE: TOP: Seniors David Caffey and Walter Brister type up progress reports for Ag Co-op. ABOVE RIGHT: FFA: FRONT ROW: Philip Eschberger, Jay Moldenhour, Jimmy Grimm, Dennis Mundkowsky, Robert Gomez, John Griep, Stephen Janke, David Marcon, Claudy Gamez and Liz Lawerence. SECOND ROW: Judy Baran, Teresa Leschber, Sandra Mazac, David Heap, Mark Kruse, David Welch, Russell Minzenmayer, Jimmie Graybill, Joe Gamez, Benny Janecka, Ernie Rohlack and Paul Knox. THIRD ROW: Ken Richter, Rodney Jansky, Sidney Ging, Mike Gossett, David Burow, Terry Blackwell, Albert Janecka, Wayne Voigt, Randy Haverland, Steve Ging, Scott Ging, Tim Bartosh, Lloyd Stabeno and Rex Schneider. FOURTH ROW: Brett Harbers, Jeff Balusek, Ricky Huber, David Stolte, Randall Hobbs, Ernest Stefek, Brian Sakewitz, Douglas Kuhl, Donald Stolte, Ricky Strmiska, James Kolinek and Lin Stabeno. BACK ROW: David Caffey, Dennis Nickel, Walter Brister, Robert Naivar, Duane Kuhl and Allen Baran. LEFT: President of FFA, David Caffey, prepares to bring the meeting to order.

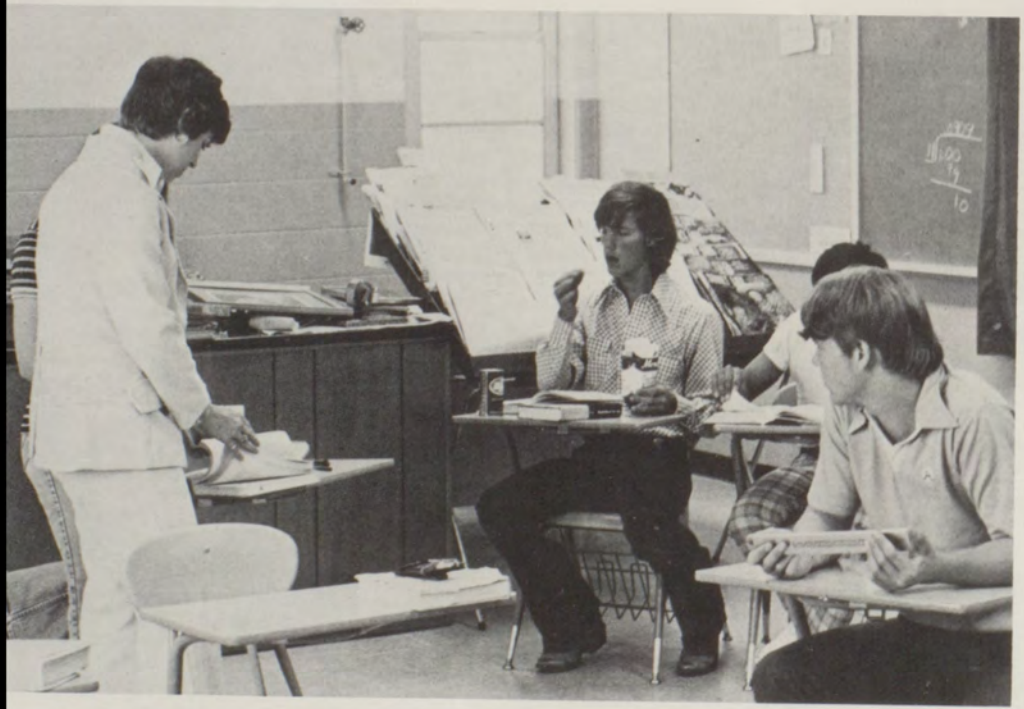
School Work and Fun Along With Employment

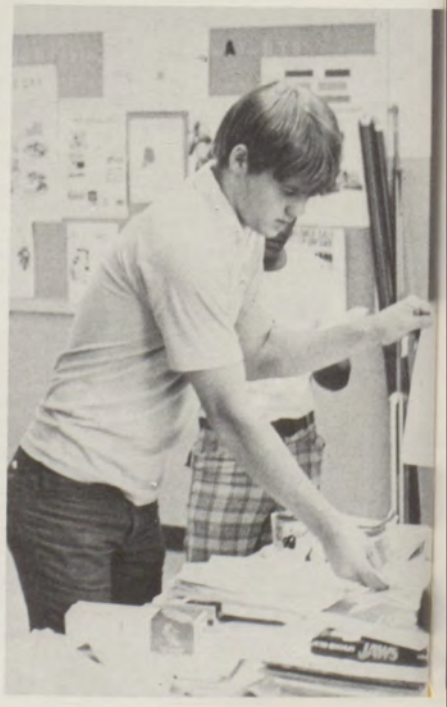
Distributive Education taught marketing and retailing, and Distributive Education Clubs of America served as a social outpost for DE students. DE students worked along with classes at school and had little time left to join other organizations. The activities of DECA provided plenty of outside projects for working students.

To get the club off to a good start, two members attended a leadership conference. For their Christmas party, DECA held a private celebration at the Big Cat. Work intensified in January in preparation for the service project and contest in February. Two people from Taylor went on to the state contest. As usual, DECA operated KTAE for a one day broadcasting session.

Work continued all year, but the club also had its share of fun. For the Spring Fling, DECA thought of the pony ride, and members took turns leading youngsters around the school on the backs of two ponies. With Industrial Cooperative Training they played a basketball game. To end the year, the employee-employer banquet was held.





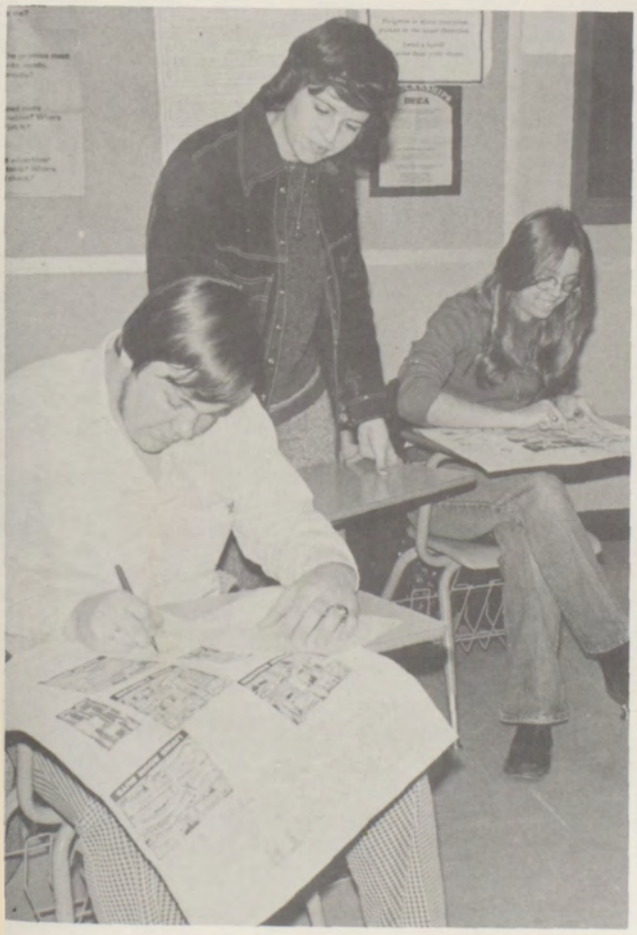


ABOVE RIGHT: Judge David Bogan takes a careful look at a display case before he assigns it a rating. ABOVE: For in class work, Marilyn Tennill instructs Kenny Sakewitz, Placido Olguin and Joe Downs in a lesson from the book. RIGHT: Before starting on his ad poster Joe Downs gathers the materials he needs.











(Top Left) David Bogan completes the rough draft for the plan of a newspaper ad. (Top Right) Daniel Steffek carefully letters the slogan on his DECA poster. (Middle) To achieve the best possible effect, Placido Olguin decides where to place an ad picture. (Left) Marilyn Tennill checks to see that Lonnie Zycha and Donna Daughtry are progressing on their projects. (Above) With Norbert Martin and Kenny Sakewitz looking on, Brad Streit finishes the plan for a newspaper ad.









LEFT PAGE: ABOVE: Scott Cutcher, Joe Downs and Daniel Talasek work together on an assignment as Marilyn Tennill looks on. CENTER: FRONT ROW: Joe Downs, Chris Sikes, Alex Ochoa, Robert Rathke, Placido Olguin, Mary Jane Duffy and Jennifer Rathke. BACK ROW: Larry Kieschnick, Ken Richter, Nathaniel Hill, Brad Streit, Philip Zavala, Carol Stauffer, Barbara Zachary and Ms. Tennill. FAR RIGHT: Before judging the display cases, Placido Olguin checks over his scoring sheets. RIGHT: Brad Streit and Norbert Martin gather the materials they need to set up a display case for the DECA special projects. RIGHT PAGE: ABOVE LEFT: FRONT ROW: Norbert Martin, Bill Kruse, Lonnie Zycha and Kenny Sakewitz. SECOND ROW: David Bogan, Daniel Talasek, Patty Machu and Donna Daughtry. BACK ROW: Scott Cutcher, Richard Robles and Doug Weise. ABOVE RIGHT: Joe Downs and Kenny Sakewitz decide on how to design an advertisement poster. CENTER: While Placido Olguin works on his own, Ms. Tennill points out the assignment for Joe Downs and Daniel Talasek. FAR RIGHT: Daniel Talasek makes a shot for DECA in the basketball game against the Industrial Cooperative Training team. BOTTOM LEFT: Members of DECA gather in front of display cases to judge which one is best.



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Working for a Job and Graduation

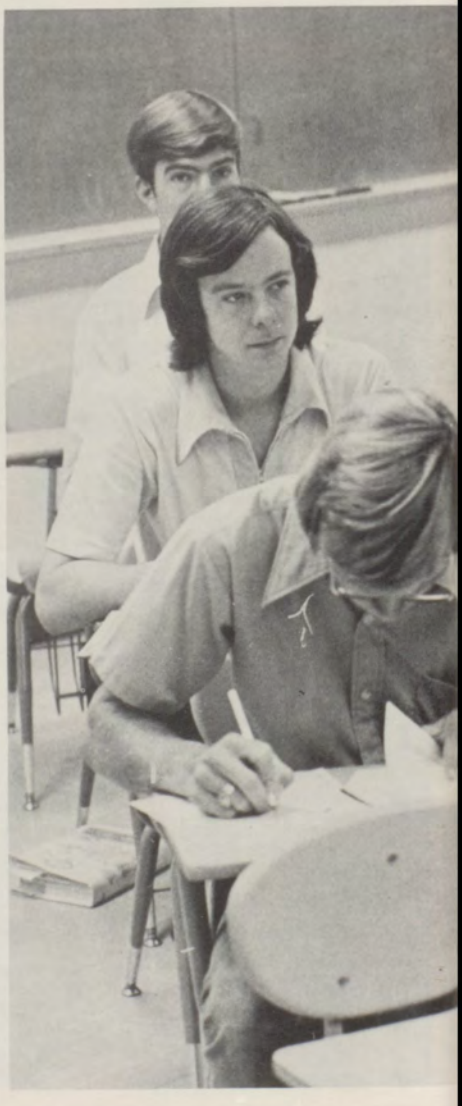
Industrial Cooperative Training prepared young men and women in the skilled trades of their choice while they completed requirements for graduation. Thirty-one members filled the class and worked at sixteen different occupations.

ICT needed only one money raising event - a concession stand for a football game. The money went for the service project this year. In December the class purchased and decorated two trash containers for the Taylor Activity Center. ICT also bought and painted barrels for the Taylor High parking lot.

An initiation in October took place in the vocational room, and a Christmas celebration occured at Noack. Besides the parties, seven people from Taylor participated in the District Contest on March 21 in Austin. Three of the seven qualified for the state contest in April. The events of the year closed with the employee/employer banquet.





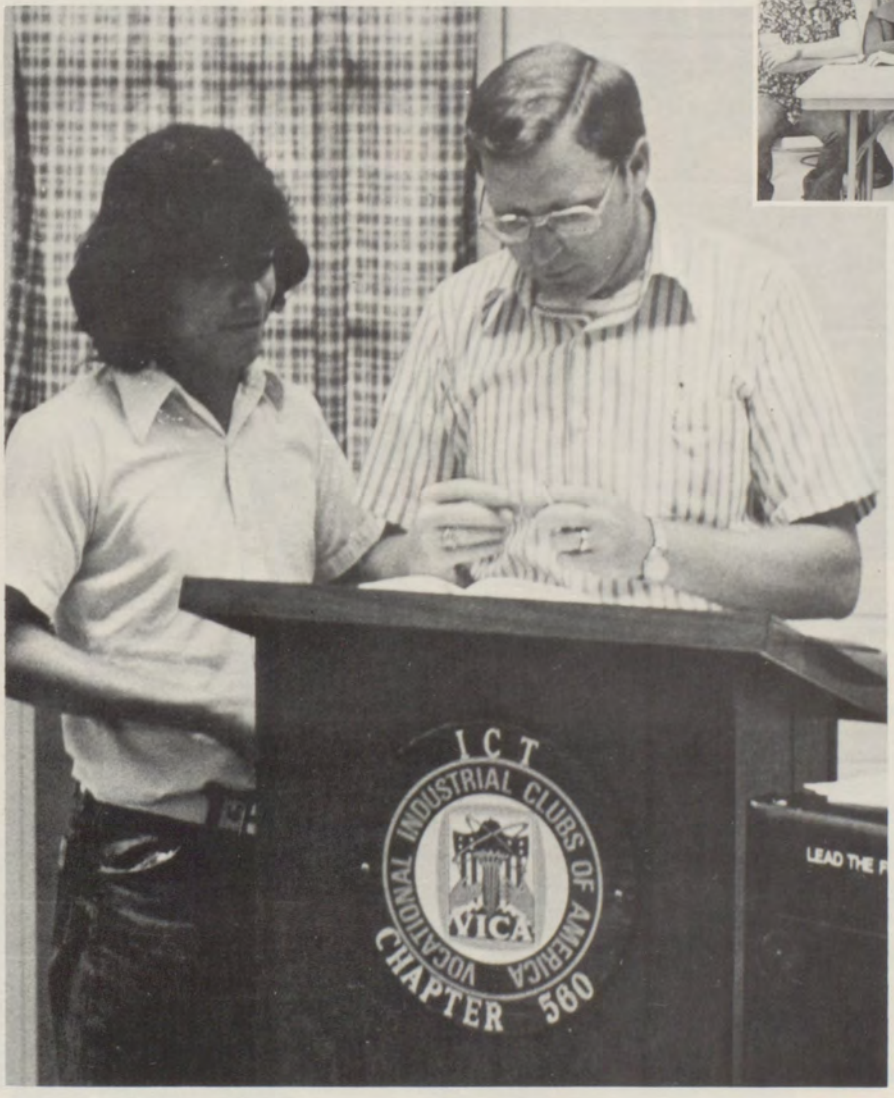












LEFT PAGE: (Upper Right) Susan Tate, first in the state contest for her notebook, and Larry Shiller, placing at district, smile proudly about their accomplishments. (Center Right) To review before a test, Rodney Gamble looks through his notes. (Center Left) In the VICA classroom Darwin Klotz, Harry Schroeder and Ricky Alford work on an assignment. (Lower Left) Baldamar Salazar, Chris Calvin, Mickey Crowell and Wayne Cuba take notes from a chapter in their books. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) For the special project, ICT members finish painting trash barrels to go on the school parking lot. (Upper Right) ICT MORNING CLASS: FRONT ROW: Teresa Janek, Susan Tate, Kim Holton and Debbie Young. SECOND ROW: Duane Kuhl, Larry Shiller, James Elliot, Baldamar Salazar, Cren Naivar and Chris Calvin. BACK ROW: Rodney Gamble, Harry Schroeder, Bryan Mahlow and Darwin Klotz. (Above) ICT AFTERNOON CLASS: FRONT ROW: Vickie Simcik, Jana Parker, Grace Gomez, Stella Gomez, Barbara Leshikar and Beth Wingate. BACK ROW: Doug Mikulencek, Glen Polasek, Robert Naivar, Ruben Cantu and Joe Sledge. (Left) Baldamar Salazar discusses the progress he had made on his job with Robert Malone.

Active in Locals and Nationals

Office Education Association served as a place to further clerical abilities. Juniors and seniors in the lab stayed in the classroom two classes a day. A senior co-op third period provided a class for working students.

To supply money for projects during the year, OEA handled a concession stand at the first home football game. The second money-raiser was the sale of Tom-Wat products.

OEA played a vital part in the banquets and shows of other organizations at Taylor High by printing programs and tickets for the Choir, Spanish Club and Future Farmers of America. THE TAYLOR DAILY PRESS received help from OEA during the Vocational Week when they listed the names of people in vocational classes.

Ten outstanding students displayed skills in a contest held in Dallas in April. The parliamentary procedure team placed in the national contest in Chicago. The employee/employer banquet closed the year.















LEFT PAGE: TOP: Shirley Manning checks on Becky Sorenson and Dolores Fojtik as they practice clerical skills. LEFT: During the Senior Lab in the afternoon, Rose Haag types out a form as a favor for another organization. RIGHT: To perfect their typing, Sherry Pasemann and Beverly Bearden concentrate on speed and accuracy for the assignment. RIGHT PAGE: TOP: An an OEA meeting, members decide to sell Tom-Wat products as a money-raising project. ABOVE LEFT: OEA CO-OP: FRONT ROW: Patricia Hobbs, Charlotte Simcik, Tina Tiemann, Patsy Valdez, Eusabia Gonzales and Debbie Vega. BACK ROW: Cindy Minzenmayer, Amy Rowe, Nancy Rathke, Diane Strmiska and Vickie Marburger. ABOVE RIGHT: OEA LAB: FRONT ROW: Patricia Zucknick, Monica Mekolik, Debbie Voight, Cissy Stalmach, Janie Gunter, Shelley Wooldridge, Donna Jones and Dolores Fojtik. MIDDLE ROW: Rose Haig, Beverly Bearden, Carol Kaspar, Ruth Kincl, Marcy Mokry, Cindy Townsend, Carla Dial and Pam Kaspar. BACK ROW: Diana Krieg, Pam Roznovak, Charlene Stolte, Sandra Banks, Susan Anderson, Roxann Strmiska, Becky Sorenson, Ann Marek and Sherry Pasemann. LEFT: As Shirley Manning and Nancy Rathke look over information about the OEA contest, they discuss plans for the event.

Builders Lay Foundation for Future

Building Trades classes constructed two houses on Lake Drive and attained excellent craftsmanship for future jobs.

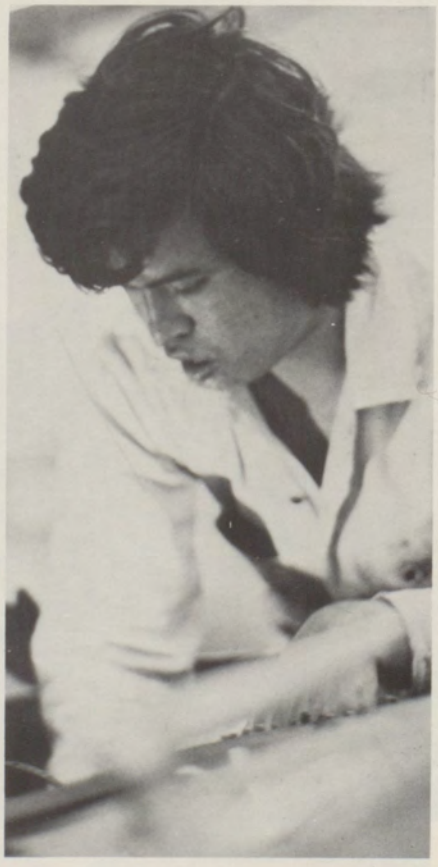
As the two houses went from foundation to finished product, students acquired the skill and labor that goes into building a house.

Besides working on the homes, the Building Trades classes also built storage buildings which were sold. The money raised from these projects financed barbecues for the builders.

When the jobs were finally finished, the young carpenters had much pride in their own work.









LEFT PAGE: (Top) Mark Taylor shows Danny Holubec and Frankie Krenek how to hammer at an odd angle. (Left) Joe Gamez works diligently as David Gordon looks at the work being done. (Above) Meanwhile, Raymond Hernandez concentrates on getting his work done. RIGHT PAGE: (Left) Frankie Krenek makes use of a keyhole saw in starting another part of the afternoon house. (Below) AFTERNOON CLASS: FIRST ROW: Joe Gamez, Wayne Flannery, Michael Peschel, Frankie Krenek. SECOND ROW: Bart Luck, Delvin Brown, Glen Ross, Ricky Huber, James Kolinek, Danny Holubec. (Lower Left) MORNING CLASS: FIRST ROW: Raymond Hernandez, Joe Tovar, Eddie Hertz. STANDING: Eloy Alderete, Ken Balusek, Henry Loeve, Mike Hollowell, Larry Washington, Crispin Valdez, C. W. Ford, sponsor; Craig Garrett, Robert Killingsworth. (Bottom) Mike Hollowell takes a breather as Johnny Castro keeps working.

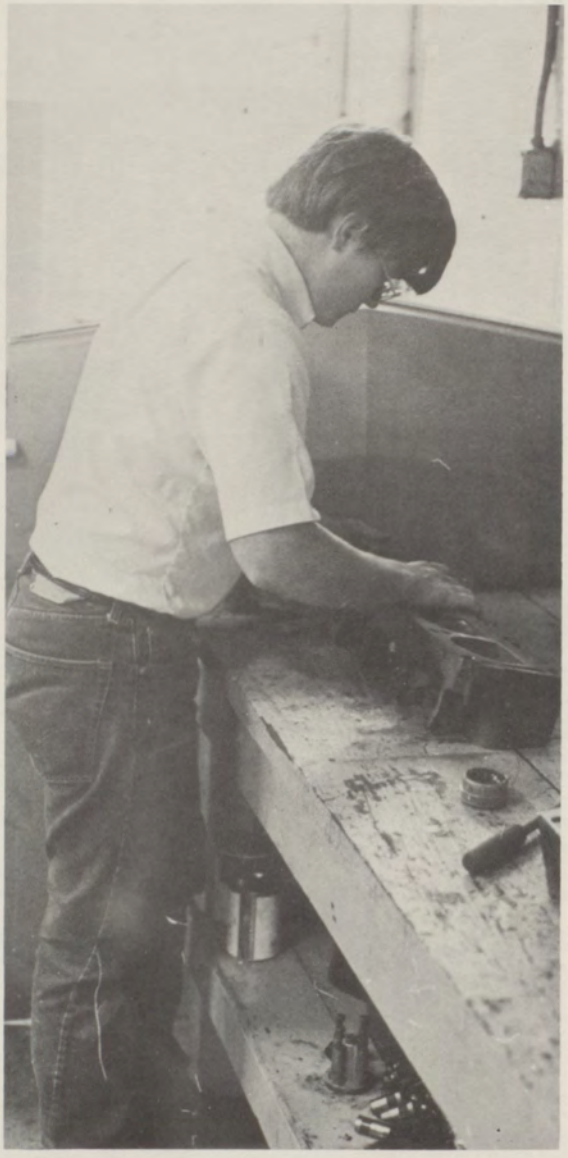




Mechanics Drive Toward Experience

Inflation sent everyone searching for bargains and many teachers and students found a savings in vehicle repairs at the Auto Mechanics shop. Not all members of the three hour classes were Taylorites. Two boys, Duane Finn and Stephen Heineke live in the neighboring communities of Hutto and Thrall.

On March 21 mechanics travelled to District V VICA Skill Olympics entering skill speed and projects display events. Duane Finn, Clint Herzer, Randell Kolinek, Mark Moffit, Bill Sitman and Phillip Waggoner all placed in skill or project events while Harlan Bachmayer, Gary Gaydos, Stephen Heineke, and Tony Ortiz went on to compete at the state convention.















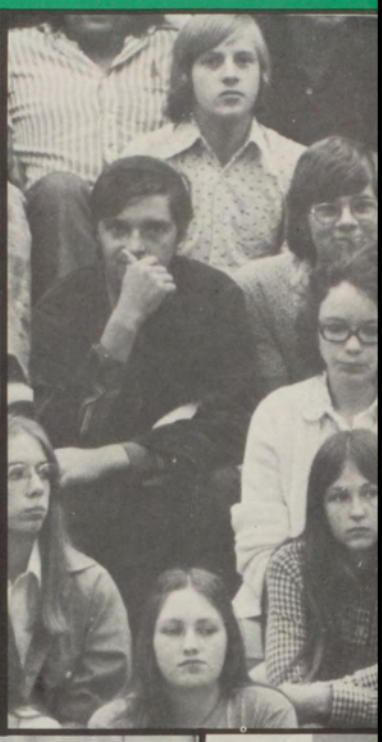


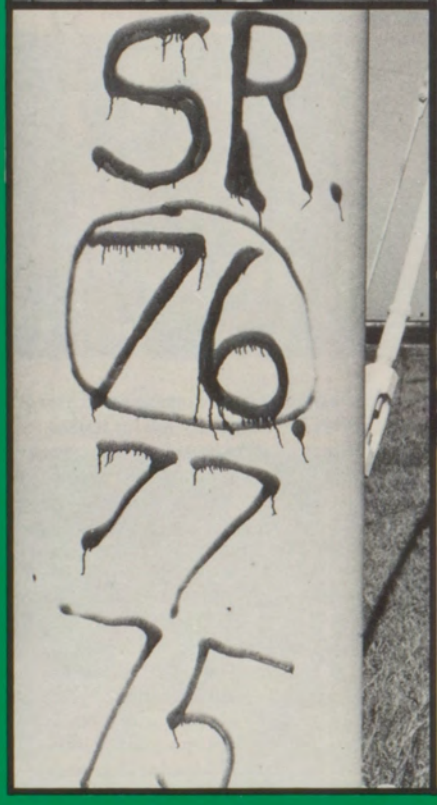
LEFT PAGE: (Above) Working on a cylinder proves to be a greasy job for Harlan Bachmayer. (Left) Ernest Deaver instructs Larry Manley on checking under the hood. (Center) AUTO MECHANICS: FRONT ROW: Larry Manley, Paul Reyes and Bruce Seidel. SECOND ROW: Harlan Bachmayer, David Blomquist, Ricky Preusse and Clint Herzer. BACK ROW: Randell Kolinek, Larry Loeve and Gary Gaydos. (Below) Auto Mechanics students Marcel Ruzicka, Donald Allen, Darrell Jackson, Bill Sitman and Derrick Hubbard attempt to figure out what is wrong with a brake drum. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) Harlan Bachmayer bids on a windshield to earn money during the Homecoming car-bash. (Above) AUTO MECHANICS: FRONT ROW: Tony Ortiz, George Campos, Manuel Salazar, Robert Biehle, Duane Finn, Donald Allen and Derrick Hubbard. BACK ROW: Mark Moffet, Marcel Ruzicka, Steven Heineke, Bill Sitman and Darrell Jackson. (Far Left) Darrell Jackson and Robert Biehle study an old engine and prepare to get it working again. (Left) As Michael Freeland reaches into the tool cabinet, he decides what is needed to finish repairing an engine. (Below) Derrick Hubbard discovers why the engine is malfunctioning.















Without people, "school" is just a building which houses lockers, desks and chalkboards. It is the students and teachers who make school come alive and create a useful place for learning, living and loving.

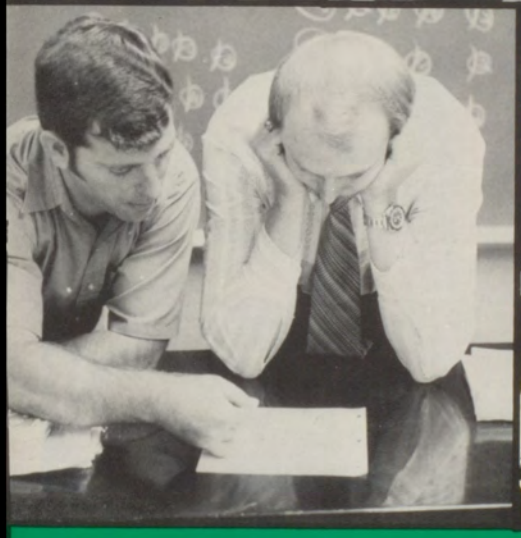
Working on Homecoming decorations was a class project. Sophomores Marie Grieger, Becky Kubala and Donna Lutz begin planning their door with hopes of winning first prize.

Sarah Berry gets a preliminary taste of graduation by posing for her cap and gown senior portrait.

With different attitudes towards pep rallies evident, students come together anyway, mustering as much spirit as possible.









PEOPLE

In appreciation of fine football spirit, cheerleader Joy Ponkoney awards the coveted Spirit Stick to Sophomore Class President Scholley Buzan.

Since their marks are left to posterity this year's seniors, juniors and sophomores will never be forgotten.

Daniel Steffek, Cren Naivar, Baldamar Salazar and Daniel Talasek fully realize that they are upperclassmen as they prepare for their senior portraits.

Teachers need help, too, especially when Eddie Spiller and Jack Rambo confer on a science problem.

Spirit ran high for some people as Lisa Corbett shows her concern for the Ducks at a pep rally.

School Authorities Plan Next Year

The school board is the policy making body for the Taylor Independent School District. It relies on the hired administration to run all the schools based on the board plans. The '74-'75 board was greatly concerned with introducing the quarter system at high school for the next year.

A new state law concerning education has made the quarter system mandatory in all schools by the '75-'76 school year. As a testing ground, Middle School went on the quarter system during the '73-'74 school year. Next year, the elementary schools will have very little trouble converting to a tri-semester school year, but high school will have some difficulties.

The school board and high school administration worked together to decide how the quarter system can best be used at high school. Members of the school board are (Left to Right): T. W. Holmstrom, president, busy at Taylor Floral Co.; Shannon B. McMakin concentrating on some business for the Texas National Guard; Dr. R. Dale Cummings pausing between his patients at the clinic; Fred Switzer, vice-president, broadcasting at KTAE; Roy Meiske discussing a deal for Taylor Manufacturing Co.; Albert Buzan, secretary, relaxing at his home; and Dr. Crawford Daniel studying one of patient's cases before consultation.

















Joe Scrivner is Taylor's superintendent. After advising the school board on the decisions they make concerning school policy, Mr. Scrivner sees that the decisions are carried out in all the schools. He oversees the hiring of teachers and other school employees.

Taylor High School Principal Howard Oliphint ensures that high school policies follow those of the school board. Among his other duties are finding teachers and recommending them to Mr. Scrivner. He also supervises class scheduling and the student registration.

Assistant Principal Ross Baldwin helps Mr. Oliphint in the administration of high school. Mr. Baldwin handles most of the discipline problems. He gives instructional supervision by visiting the classrooms and making comments to the teachers as well as planning faculty meetings and in-service days for the teaching staff.







David Bates is one of our counselors. From McMurray College, he earned a B.A. in Industrial Arts. Continuing his education, Mr. Bates received a Master's in Secondary Administration from Sul Ross College, and went into postgraduate work at North Texas Administrative Leadership. He farms and ranches for relaxation.



A graduate of Texas A&M, Emerson Brister holds a B.S. in Agriculture I and II and Ag Co-op. He is a sponsor of Future Farmers of America and Young Farmers of America.



A Longhorn from the University of Texas, Patty Clark holds a B.S. and M.A. in English Education. English students had a hard time calling her a new name after her Christmas-time wedding. Ms. Clark spent much of her time sponsoring NHS and sophomores.



Edward Contreras finds fishing a pleasurable way to spend time away from his job of counseling. Mr. Contreras obtained a B.A. and M.A. degree from Southwest Texas State University. His B.A. is held in Business Administration; his M.A. in Counseling.



Latin Club sponsor, John Crow, graduated from Abilene Christian College where he received his B.A. and M.A. degrees in Language and History. Mr. Crow teaches Latin I and II, English I, and is a sponsor of the Sophomore class.



Earnest Deaver graduated from Mary Hardin Baylor College. He holds a B.S. in Speech and English plus a Vocational Instructor's Certificate. He presently teaches auto mechanics and sponsors Auto Mechanics, VICA and the Senior class.



C. W. Ford presently teaches building trades at Taylor High. He sponsors Building Trades and VICA. He enjoys reading, fishing and hunting.



Mary Frances received a B.A. in Home Economics when she graduated from the University of Texas. She teaches Homemaking I and II. Ms. Frances also sponsors FHA, the Senior class and Young Homemakers of Texas. Her little boy employs a great deal of her time.



Shirl Frazier graduated from Texas Wesleyan College with a B.S. in Social Science, Science and P.E. He teaches American History and P.E. He is head football and basketball coach in addition to being Athletic Director.



Maurine Frost earned her B.S. in English and History from Sul Ross State and is currently working towards a Master's in history. She is presently teaching government, sociology, American Cultures and Texas history. Ms. Frost's interest in government is reflected by her active role in politics.



Mary Kay Gotcher graduated from Texas Christian University where she received a B.A. in history and English. At THS much of her work is geared toward molding a number one yearbook. Ms. Gotcher also helped spawn a new literary magazine.



Deborah (Dee) Grimm earned her B.S. in Education from Texas Christian University. As sponsor of On Stage '75, she divided her time between working with drama students, and teaching English. Ms. Grimm sponsors the Junior class.



Steven Guarjardo teaches furniture upholstery and repair in the CVAE department. His hobby is collecting carnival glassware.



Clifford Ivicic an all-round sportsman, enjoys sports in general but finds particular pleasure in fishing and golfing. He is a Vocational Adjustment Coordinator at THS. During his college days, Mr. Ivicic earned a B.S. degree from Southwest Texas State University.



Holding a B.A. in Health and Physical Education from Huston Tillotson College, Ophelia Jewell is the girl's physical education teacher and coaches girl's volleyball and track. She is a sponsor of the Senior class and she enjoys sewing, cooking, bowling, and listening to records.



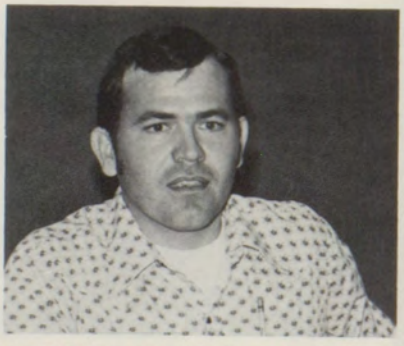
A graduate of Texas Tech, Don Jones holds a B.A. in Education and an M.A. in P.E. Besides being a football coach, he also teaches American history. He is sponsor of the Sophomore class and he enjoys football and outdoor activities.



Choir director, Larry Koonce, is a graduate of Eastern New Mexico University and Portales New Mexico University. He holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in Music Education. He is a sponsor of the Choral Club and the Pop Choir. His pastimes are playing golf and watching most sports.



With a Bachelor's from St. Edwards University and a Master's from Southwest Texas State, Sid Krhovjak instructs biology classes. He actively serves as a Senior class sponsor. Mr. Krhovjak has many hobbies, including fishing, photography, painting and playing the guitar.



Harold Kurtz graduated from Sam Houston State University with a B.S. in Agricultural Educational Biology. Besides teaching Vocational Agriculture I, II, and III, he sponsors Future Farmers of America and Young Farmers of America.



Lynn Lankford, a graduate of Southwest Texas State University and Sam Houston State University, hold B.S. and M.S. degrees respectfully. She teaches homemaking and home and family living. Ms. Lankford is sponsor of the Junior class and FHA.



Francis Lee aids the students as a counselor. She went to Southwest Texas State University to earn a B.S. in Education and continued her education at the University of Texas by receiving a Master's degree. Ms. Lee enjoys travelling and gardening.



Leland (Butch) Lee holds a B.S. degree in Education from Southwest Texas State and he teaches a variety of subjects including English, typing, reading and record keeping. He sponsors the Junior class and Student Senate and enjoys all outdoor sports and spending time with his family.



Holding her B.A. in Business from Southwestern University, Jo Layne Leggett teaches shorthand, Typing II and bookkeeping. She is a sponsor of the Junior class and enjoys playing golf and painting.



Barbara Leschber is a graduate of Mary Hardin Baylor University where she received her B.S. in Business Education. Ms. Leschber, who enjoys sewing and dancing, is a sponsor of the Senior class and Office Education Association.



Mary Jean Livingood graduated from the University of Texas, where she received a B.A. in History and an M.A. in Library Science. Ms. Livingood is the librarian, and she sponsors the Library Club and Student Senate. Her free time is filled with gardening and writing.



Odessa Mackey has the Remedial Math classes to teach. Qualified to do so, she has a B.A. in Math and Biology. Ms. Mackey earned her degree at Huston Tillotson College. Some of her favorite pastimes are sewing, reading and fishing.



Robert Malone graduated from Abilene Christian College with a B.S. in Education. He is presently teaching Industrial Cooperative Training and is a sponsor of VICA and the Junior class. Mr. Malone likes to play golf and bird hunt.



Shirley Manning teaches the Vocational Office Education classes and is a sponsor of OEA. Ms. Manning earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of Texas. She spends any free time that she has with her son, Will.



Peggy Mott teaches English II and Practical English. She gives her time sponsoring FTA, the Sophomore class and is an honorary sponsor of Student Senate. Sewing, reading and playing bridge are her hobbies. Ms. Mott graduated from the University of Texas after earning a B.S. in Secondary Education.



George Murray graduated from Howard Payne and Northern Arizona University. He holds a B.A. in English and Math and an M.A. in Administrative Psychology. He teaches English and reading in the resource lab. Worm farming is one of Mr. Murray's hobbies.



Pat Myers is a graduate of Baylor University where she received her B.S. in Home Economics. She teaches homemaking and is a sponsor of the Sophomore class and FHA. Among her favorite pastimes are decorative painting, flower arranging, sewing and reading.



Bobbie Nickerson is a graduate of Prairie View A&M University where she received her B.S. and M.S. degrees in Education. Ms. Nickerson, who teaches homemaking is a sponsor of FHA. She enjoys playing the piano, crocheting and reading.



A graduate of Prairie View A&M, Leon Nickerson holds a B.S. in P.E. and is working on his Masters. He teaches P.E. and health. He coaches football, track, and J.V. basketball. Coach Nickerson enjoys soul music.



Charles Pool attended Stephen F. Austin College where he first earned a Bachelor's degree and then went on to earn a Master's degree. He is a teacher of both world and American history. In his spare time, Mr. Pool likes to hunt, fish and bicycle.



Betty Porter is a special services resource teacher, and a sponsor of TARS. She holds a B.A. degree which she earned at Louisiana State University. Ms. Porter spends her spare time restoring a 100-year-old house, collecting antiques, and researching her family history.



The name Joyce Quebe has grown to be synonymous with Future Teachers of America, not only in the Taylor Chapter, but state wide. Ms. Quebe has a B.A. in Math and Education from Mary Hardin Baylor and she teaches all algebra classes. She is also a Junior class sponsor and enjoys keeping busy.



Dottie Rambo is a graduate of Southeastern University in Oklahoma where she received her B.A. degree in Math. Ms. Rambo, a sponsor of Hi Steppers and Pep Squad, teaches Related Math I and II and trigonometry. Her favorite interests are handicrafts and camping.



With a B.S. from Southeastern University in Oklahoma and an M.A. from Southwest Texas State, Jack Rambo teaches science classes at THS. As a sponsor of Future Teachers, Student Senate and Freshman class, Mr. Rambo is always busy, but he still finds time for camping.



Lupe Ramirez graduated from Southwest Texas Junior College and Southwest Texas State University where she received her Associative Arts and B.S. degree respectively. She is presently teaching World History, Spanish, English and also sponsors the Freshman class and Spanish Club.



Eugene Rhemann graduated from the University of Texas. There he received his Bachelor of Music Education. He leads "Rhemann's Raiders" as band director at THS. Mr. Rhemann is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Administration. He enjoys working with sound equipment.



A graduate of Oklahoma State University, Vivian Rice holds a B.S. in Education. She is best known to journalism students as the Cotton Boll adviser, but she also teaches English III. Ms. Rice is a Freshman class sponsor.



Being a sponsor of the National Honor Society fills many hours for Judy Rohde. With a B.A. in history and English from the University of Texas, Ms. Rohde teaches freshman and junior English classes. Macrame, sewing and bridge are a few of her favorite pastimes outside of school.



Charles Schroeder carries his interests, wood working and drafting, into the classroom where he teaches drafting. Mr. Schroeder is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University where he received a B.S. in Industrial Arts. He gives his aid to the Student Senate and the Freshman class.



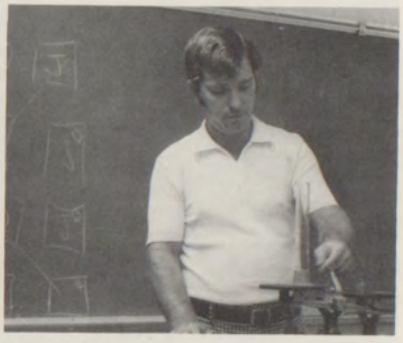
A graduate of East Texas Baptist College, Dan Sherry has a B.S. in Math and History. At THS he teaches geometry and related math and sponsors the Chess Club. Among Mr. Sherry's favorite pastimes are canoeing, travelling and playing chess.



Jeanne Sherry came to Texas from Carlow University in Pennsylvania where she earned both a Bachelor's and Master's degree. Besides teaching physical science and chemistry, she is also a Sophomore class sponsor. Traveling, canoeing, camping and sewing fill her time.



Robert Simpson, a graduate of Howard Payne, holds a B.A. in Mathematics and a M.A. in Math. He teaches Introductory Algebra I and II, related math and American history. He sponsors the Freshman class. Mr. Simpson enjoys watching sports and being with his children.



Eddie Spiller, physical science and related math teacher, graduated from Angelo State University. He holds a B.S. in Biology. Coach Spiller sponsors the Senior class and his pastimes are playing tennis and golf and listening to country and western music.



Marilyn Tennill is a graduate of Trinity University. She received a B.A. in both English and Latin. All the Distributive Education classes are taught by Ms. Tennill, and she is the sponsor of DECA and the Freshman class. Besides owning six horses, Ms. Tennill is also interested in painting.

Behind the Scene Aides — Invaluable



(Right) Pearl Wheeler is the community school visiting aide. She checks on students during extended absences and counsels those who want to drop out. When students are ill at school and have no transportation home, Ms. Wheeler supplies it.





(Above Left) Dorothy Gilligan is an aide to Robert Simpson and all the related math teachers. She works in the ESAA lab and helps the teachers in preparation of math materials. Specializing in working the ESAA reading lab, Elizabeth Zetak is an aide for George Murray and his reading classes. As an aide in the resource room, Hallie Streit does secretarial work for Betty Porter and does instructional work with resource students. Helen Rivers aides Mr. Murray and Odessa Mackey in the reading and math ESAA labs. She prepares and distributes material for the reading and math classes. (Above Right) Rosella Rieger can be found in the office or in the library. She helps as a library aide to Mary Jean Livingood and keeps the attendance record for the school. (Right) Even though Velma Loeve is officially Howard Oliphint's secretary, she doubles as the school secretary and does duties all around the school.



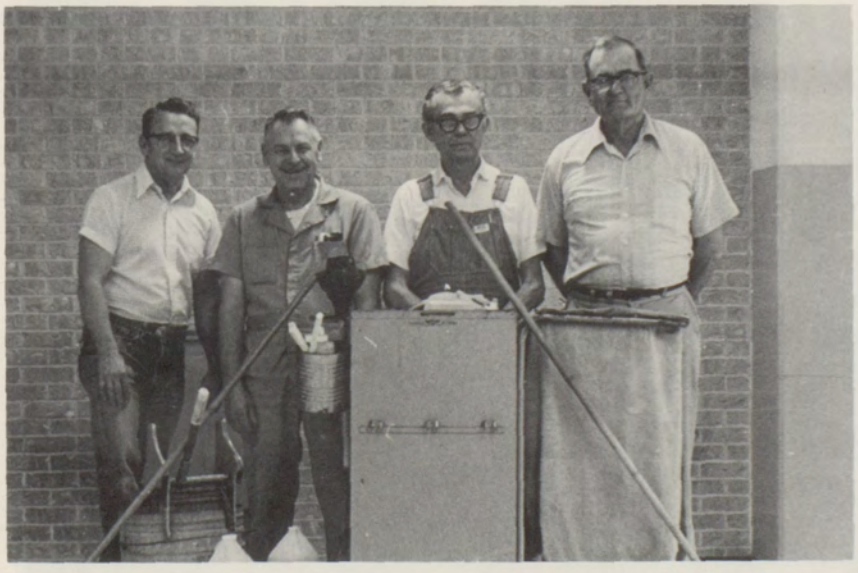


(Left) Cafeteria workers Lorene Brunken, Ruth Hill, Joyce Kuykendall, Millie Reiger, Erna Wutrich, Ella Huser, Elsie Volek, Ruby Achtruth, Margarie Hirstus, Ella Sorenson, Olga Kaase and Thelma Barran prepare the noon meal daily for the school population. They worked hard to cook balanced and nutritious lunches for all the schools.

Reliable Workers Within the School







(Above Left) Richard Pundsack helps Student Senators set the stage for the Homecoming Assembly. (Above Right) In charge of the snack bar are Agnes Kasparek, Delores Naiver and Elenora Smith. They not only serve quick lunches, but also offer snacks for hungry bodies all morning long. (Left) Paul Volek, Richard Pundsack, W. C. Brueckner and Marvin Schroeder are always on hand to keep the school clean. They spend each day maintaining spotless floors and beautifying the campus.

Grads Survive ABC's to XYZ's

Coming together from different elementary schools did not bother the seniors of '75. Through all the fun of a busy last year in high school, graduates formed long-lasting friendships.

"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can and wisdom to know the difference," was chosen by the class as their motto. The song was "The Long and Winding Road;" flower, the yellow rose and colors were blue and yellow.

Upperclassmen barely managed to get enough help for money-raising projects to help finance the senior trip. An early year bake sale fell short of expected profit as did the concessions at the Cotton Boll Relays.

Graduation finally became a reality when it was time to snap senior portraits. Other indications that commencement was near was the routine credit check in the counselor's office, beating brains out on SAT. ACT and achievement tests and ordering invitations. An unexpected thrill went through many seniors as they were measured for caps and gowns, and those scholarly enough ordered their honor cords.

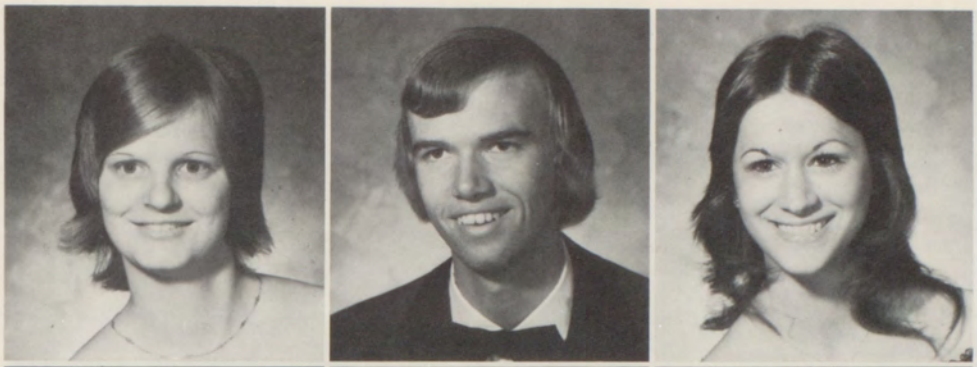




(Above) Senior class officers Joy Ponkoney, secretary; Jan Walker, president; Phyllis Baird, treasurer; Griffin Teggeman, parliamentarian and Win Williams, vice president, sit and discuss plans for commencement exercises. (Above Right) At the Gatesville pep rally, Tina Tiemann works to get the student body's support for the team. (Right) A Marine representative passes out the Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery Tests to Phyllis Baird, Amy Rowe and Ava Weise. (Far Right) Jan Walker smiles enthusiastically as she poses for her senior portraits.







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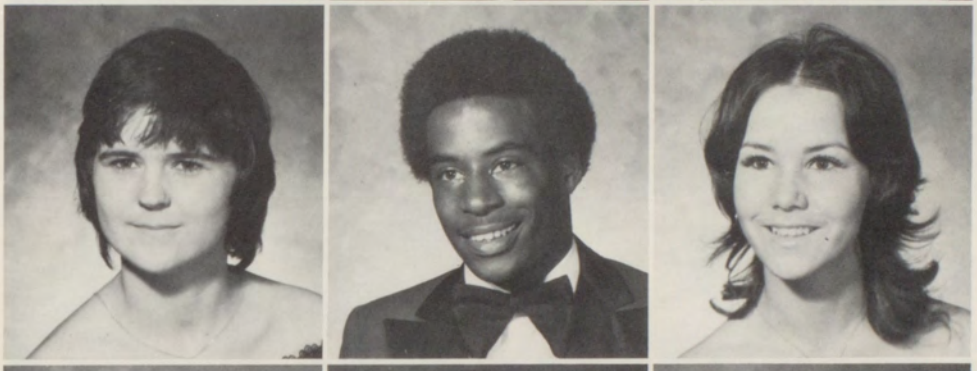

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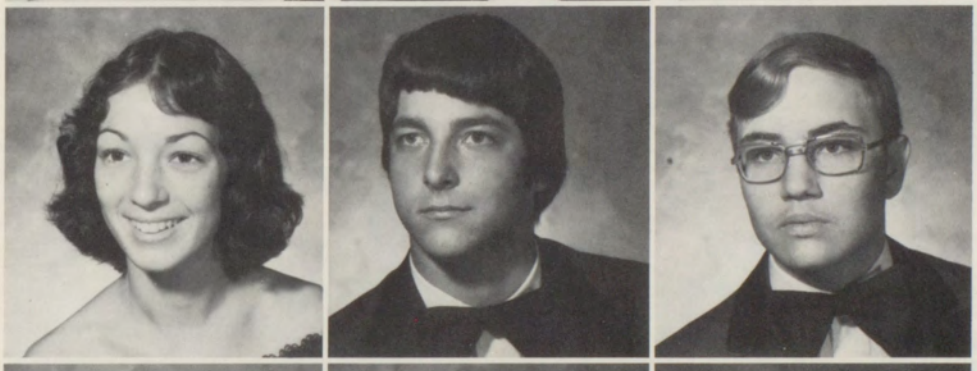

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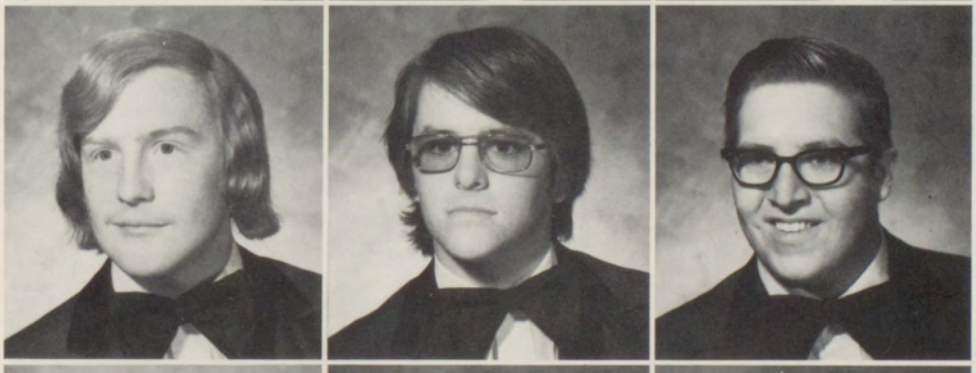

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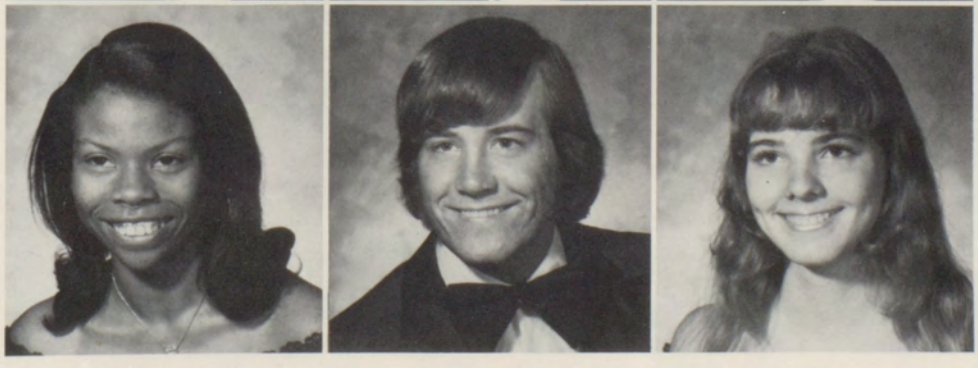

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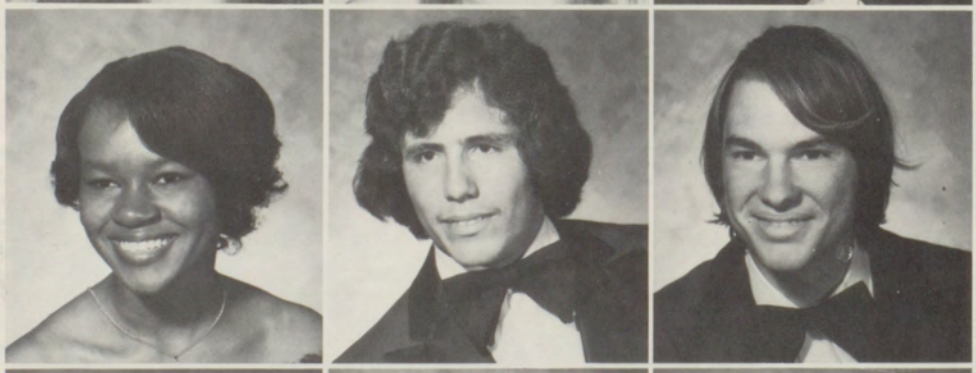

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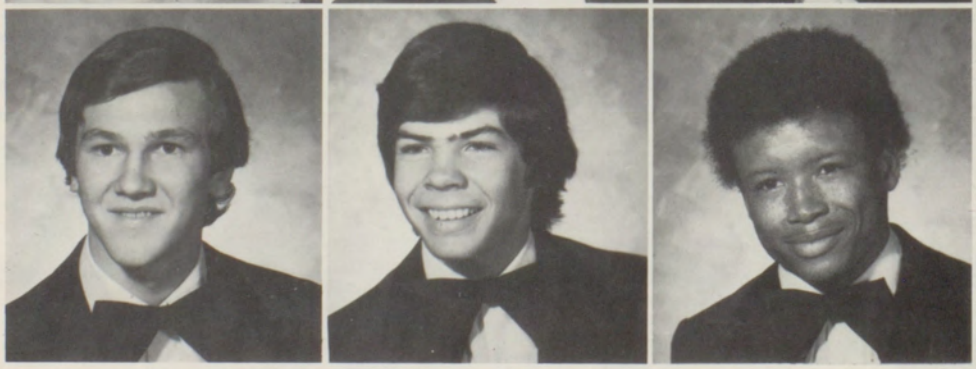



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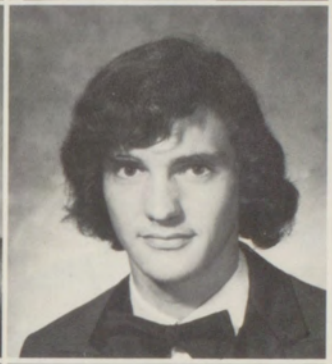

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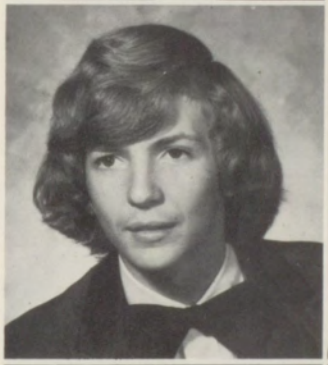

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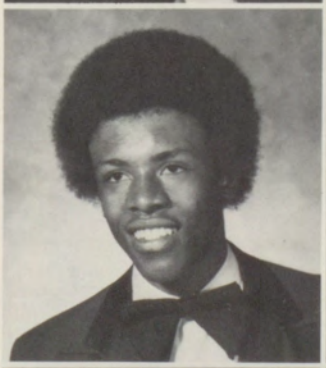

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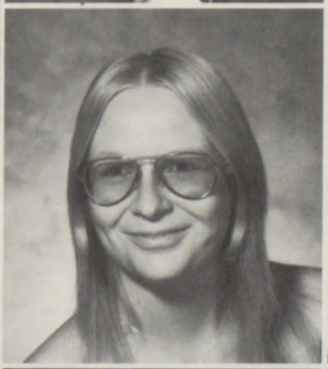

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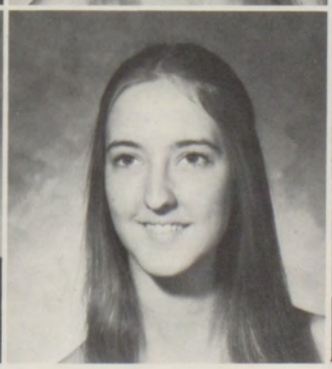

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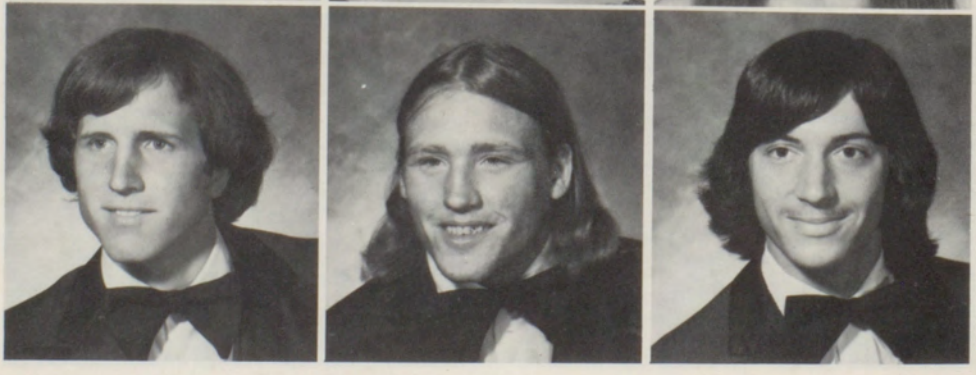



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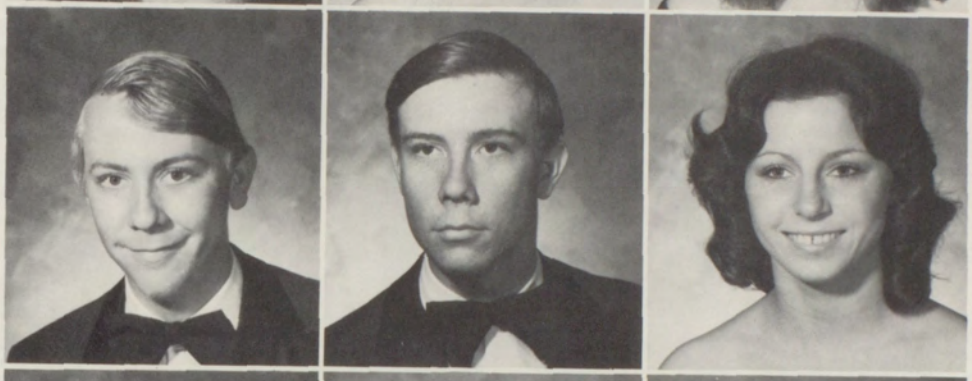

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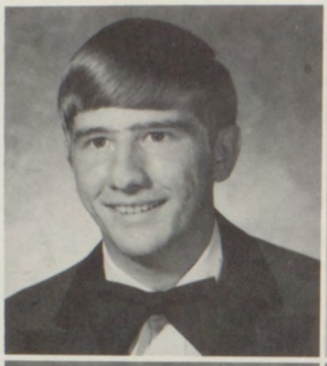



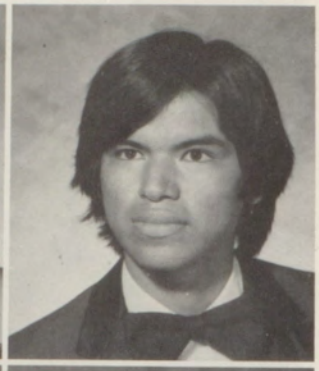

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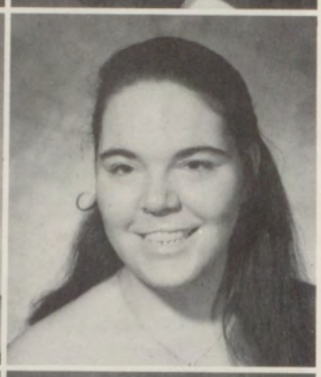

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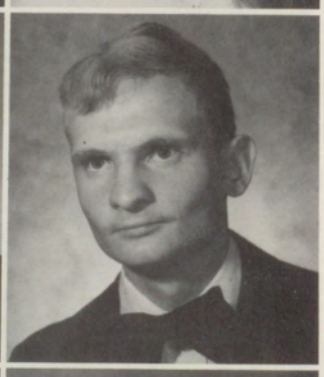

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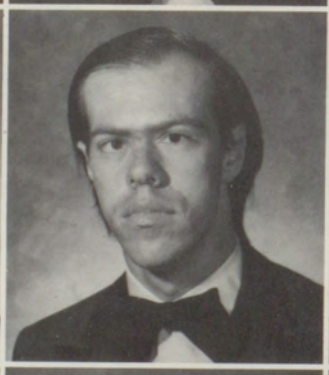



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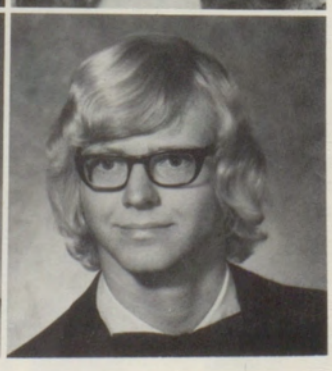



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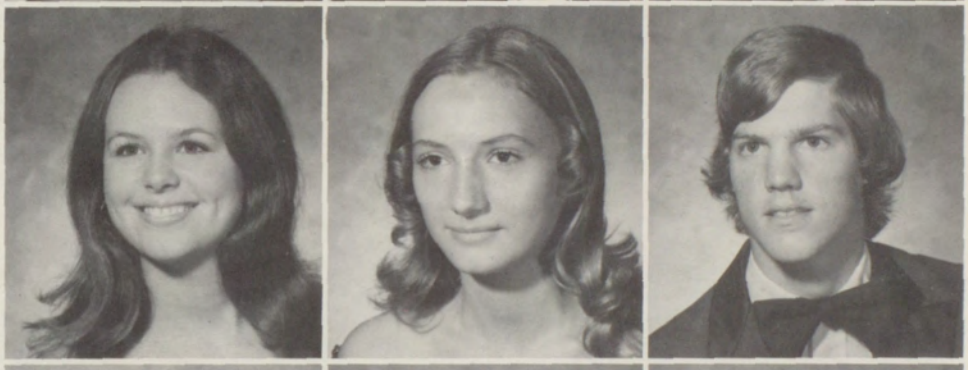

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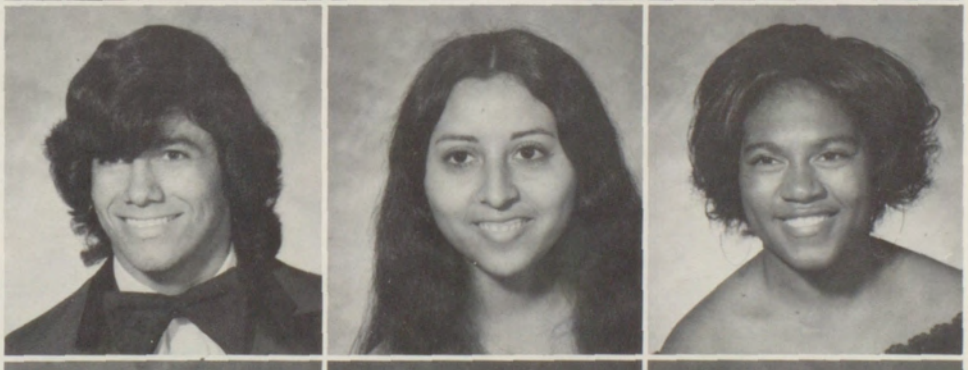

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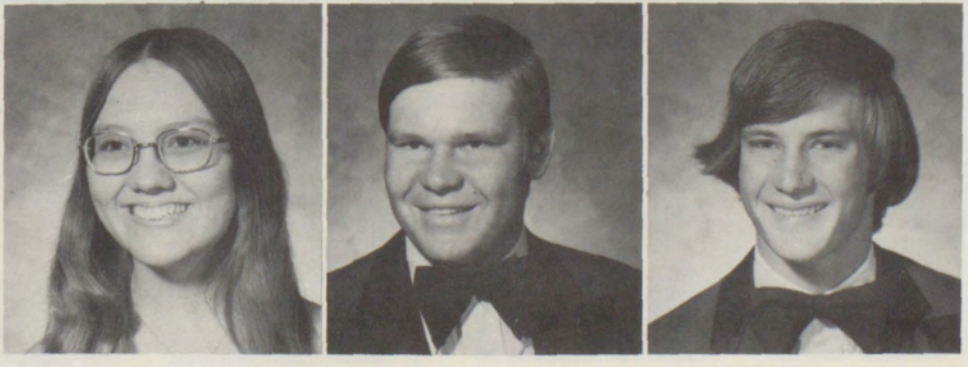

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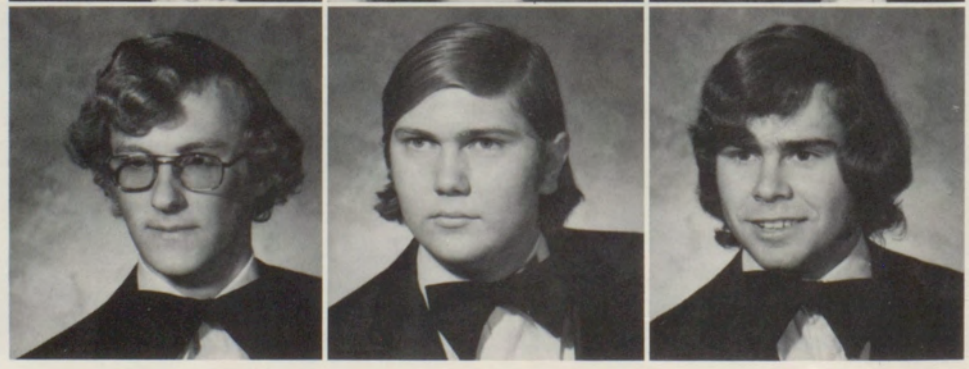



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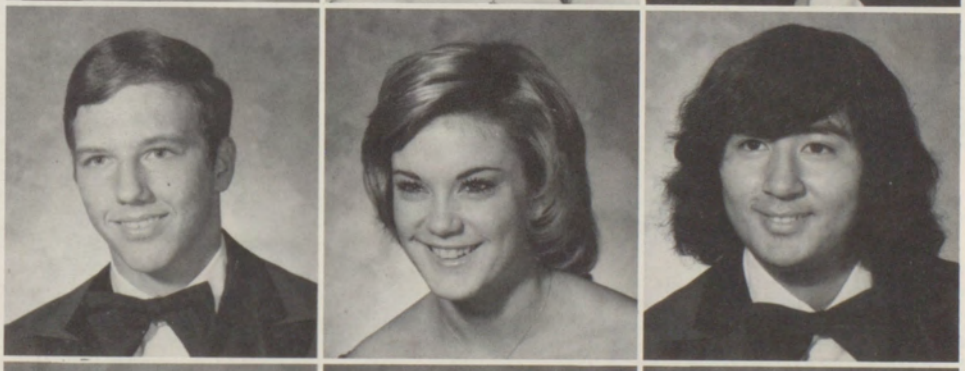

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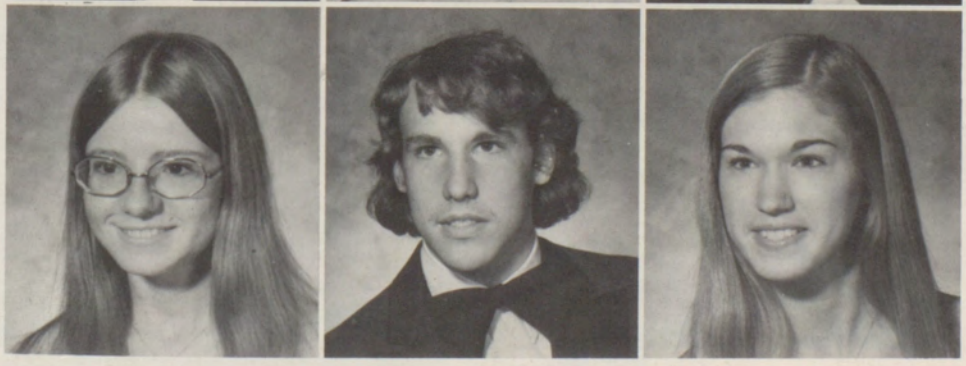

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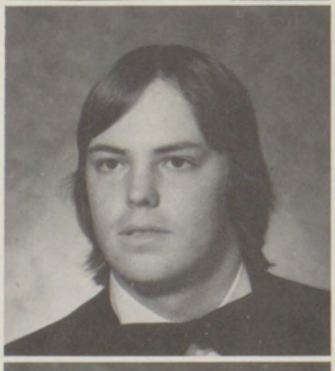
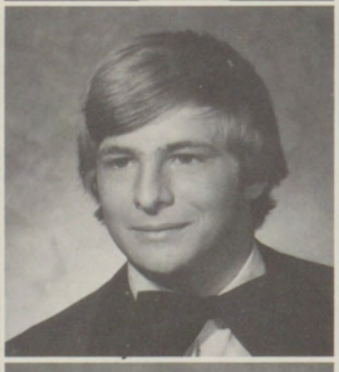
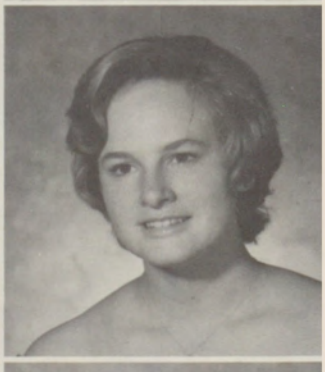

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Louis Zachary
Sammie Zachary
Phillip Zavala

Scott Zetak
Patricia Zuchnick
Lonnie Zycha







(Above Left) Michael Bachmeyer patiently waits while David Honeycutt decides on his next chess move during their study hall recreation. (Above) Gene Satterfield, Brenda Hubbard, Vanita Sorenson, Sharon Polasek and Larry Burnett ponder over which senior portraits to order. (Left) Janice Kaspar finds that even hard bus seats make good pillows in times of exhaustion.

SENIOR DIRECTORY

ALICE AANSTOOS - Band, assistant Drum Major; Drama Club, secretary; Latin Club, parliamentarian; MALLARD, copy editor; COTTON BOLL, news editor; ETC., editor; Student Senate, corresponding secretary; NHS, secretary; FTA; FHA; Junior class secretary; Girls' State; Academic Awards; Who's Who in American High Schools; Honor Graduate; UIL Band medals; Who's Who; Regional Intermediate Band; UT Journalism Scholarship.

MICHAEL BACHMEYER - COTTON BOLL, editor; NHS; Explorers, president; FTA; Drama Club; Ecology Club; Chess Club; National Explorer Conference Delegate; Cream of the Crop Award for Journalism; Photo Contest winner; Honor Graduate; Texas Chemical Council Award; Danforth Foundation Award; plans to go into engineering at Texas A&M.

PHYLLIS BAIRD - Hi-Steppers, first lieutenant; MALLARD; Sophomore class parliamentarian; Senior class treasurer; UIL Choir medal; Pep Squad; Goodfellow; Cotton Boll Relays Queen Nominee; plans to attend SWTSU.

SANDRA BANKS - FHA, Encounter Award; FTA; Drama Club; TARS, president; OEA; Choir; Student Senate; FTA Scholarship; plans to attend SWTSU.

TILMON BARNETT - Football, All-District.

PAM BEARDEN - Pep Squad; Hi-Steppers; plans to be a secretary.

SARAH BERRY - Band, assistant quarter master; Spanish Club; UIL Band medals; Band Sweetheart, third runner-up; plans to attend Kilgore College for Commercial Art.

TERRY BLACKWELL - Choir; FFA; Choral Club; plans to work.

DAVID BLOMQUIST - Choir; plans to attend TSTI.

DAVID BOGAN - Football; Wrestling; Baseball; plans to work.

WALTER BRISTER - Football; Track; FFA, Star Green Hand and Star Chapter Farmer; Gold Star Boy in 4-H; plans to work or join the service.

BRENDA BROCKINGTON - Choir; OEA; Pep Squad; UIL Choir medal; plans to attend Durham's Business College.

LARRY BURNETT - Football; FFA; Latin Club, sergeant at arms; Mr. THS; plans to work in pipeline construction.

DAWN BUROW - Band; Choir; Choral Club; Drama Club; Spanish Club; FTA; Pep Choir; UIL Choir medal; District Choir; Who's Who in American High Schools; plans to attend college.

DAVID CAFFEY - FFA, president and sentinel; plans to work on a ranch.

CHRIS CALVIN - Band; Table Tennis Team; Drama Club; NHS; plans to attend college.

RUBEN CANTU - Auto Mechanics.

PAM CARMACK - Band; MALLARD; Drama Club; District Band; Band Sweetheart first runner-up; plans to attend Blinn Jr. College and be a lab technician.

MARY CARPENTER - ICT; HECE; Ecology Club; plans to work for the telephone company.

WILLIAM COLLINS - Football; Basketball; plans to attend business college.

VALERIE COX - Cheerleader; Student Senate; HECE; Hi-Steppers; Pep Squad; Spanish Club; Homecoming Queen Nominee; Cotton Boll Relays Queen Nominee; plans to attend Blinn Jr. College.

MICKY CROWELL - ICT; plans to work as an electrician.

CINDY CROWLEY - Choir; FTA; Choral Club, treasurer; FHA; French Club; NHS; plans to attend college.

WAYNE CUBA - ICT; VICA; plans to attend school and work.

RENEE DAVIS - Volleyball; Choral Club; FHA; HERO; plans to work or join the Navy.

EUGENE DE LA ROSA - Football; Track; plans to be a Marine.

DANIEL DOSS - Latin Club, vice president; Drama Club; Library Club, vice president; VFW Flag Contest winner; Voice of Democracy Contest winner; Who's Who in American High Schools; plans to attend UT.

JAMES ELLIOTT - Baseball; VICA; Latin Club, sergeant at arms; Basketball; plans to work.

PHILIP ESCHBERGER - FFA; plans to farm.

MICHAEL FREELAND

DEBRA FREEMAN - DECA; Volleyball; Track; plans to attend college and be an Interior Decorator.

WANDA FREEMAN - Volleyball.

ARTHUR FRERICHS - Football; NHS, president; Honor Graduate; plans to attend Texas A&M and major in electronics.

PAT FRY - plans to attend secretarial school.

KEVIN GAULT - Football; honorary captain; Basketball; Choir; Track; Choir Beau; plans to attend college.

STEVE GING - Drama Club, vice president; FFA; plans to farm or attend a trade school.

MITCHELL GIPSON - Football, All District; Basketball.

EUSEBIA GONZALES - TARS, president; Band; OEA; Spanish Club; FHA; Pep Squad; UIL Band medal; plans to work.

RICKY GRAY - Freshman class parliamentarian; Basketball; Choir; plans to work.

CAROL GRIFFIN - Choir; FHA; plans to work with fashions.

JANIE GUNTER - OEA; plans to attend secretarial school.

ROSE HAAG - FHA; OEA; plans to work and travel.

PRESTON HASKINS - Basketball; Football; Baseball; Track.

PATRICIA HOBBS - Hi-Steppers, first lieutenant; TARS; OEA; Pep Squad; FHA; plans to work.

PHILIP HOHLE - Football, All-District Center; Student Senate, president; Junior class vice president; Drama Club, District All-Star Cast; MALLARD; Goodfellow; NHS; District XIII Mr. FTA; Who's Who in Speech; Melasky Scholarship; plans to attend Concordia College.

KIM HOLTON - Band, twirler; FTA; ICT; Spanish Club; plans to be a Laboratory Medical Technologist.

LEE HOLMAN - Football; Spanish Club; plans to attend college.

DAVID HONEYCUTT - COTTON BOLL, editorial editor; Latin Club; Drama Club; Speech, placed in persuasive speaking; National Merit Finalist; NHS; VFW Flag Contest winner; Highest Ranking Boy; Honor Graduate; Who's Who in English; plans to attend Rice University.

HANNAH HOOKS - Choir; MALLARD; FTA; French Club; UIL Choir medal; District Choir; Music Club Scholarship; plans to attend SWTSU.

BRENDA HUBBARD - Choir; Pep Squad; FHA; Who's Who; plans to attend nursing school.

DARRELL JACKSON - Football, Honorable Mention All-District; Basketball; Track; Finalist in National Merit Achievement; plans to be a psychiatrist.

JUDY JACKSON - Volleyball; Track; J.V. Cheerleader; plans to work.

TERESA JANEK - VICA; DECA; plans to attend nursing school.

NEAL JANKE - Football, captain, All-District and All-Centex Defensive Tackle, All-District Offensive Tackle; Prep All-American Football Squad Nominee; COTTON BOLL; plans to attend college.

DORIS JEFFERSON - Choir; Volleyball; FTA; FHA; plans to work as a secretary.

LINDA JOHNSON - HECE; Volleyball; Track, Regional; FHA; plans to attend college at Central Texas State.

JANICE KASPAR - Hi-Steppers; COTTON BOLL, business manager; FTA; Latin Club; Goodfellow; Honor Graduate; Academic Awards; plans to attend SHSU.

THOMAS KASPAR - Baseball, four year letterman, All-Dsitrict and All-State; Football; VICA; plans to attend college.

GREG KRENEK - Baseball, All-District; Football, All-District Defensive Halfback, All-Centex Punter; Track; COTTON BOLL, sports editor; FFA; Latin Club; plans to attend college and work.

DIANNA KRIEG - FHA; OEA; Choir; plans to attend secretarial school.

ELIZABETH LAWRENCE - Hi-Steppers; FHA; FTA; Drama Club; Choir; FFA, showed Grand Champion; plans to attend Tarleton Jr. College.

BARBARA LESHIKAR - Band; ICT; UIL Band medal; plans to attend college and major in psychology.

HENRY LOEVE

LARRY LOEVE - Baseball; plans to go into the service.

PATTIE MACHU - FFA.

LARRY MANLEY - Choir; Drama Club; Library Club, president; Auto Mechanics; plans to attend TSTI and become a mechanic.

VICKIE MARBURGER - Hi-Steppers, captain; FHA; FTA; OEA; plans to attend SWTSU.

CHRIS MARSHALL - Football, All-District Honorable Mention; Baseball; Basketball; Goodfellow; plans to attend SWTSU.

NORBERT MARTIN - DECA; plans to work and attend school.

SANDRA MAZAC - Hi-Steppers, co-captain; FFA; Student Senate; FHA; FFA Sweetheart; Homecoming Queen Nominee; plans to attend Tarleton Jr. College.

RANDALL McGEE - Tennis; Spanish Club, Delegate; ETC.; plans to attend college.

MONICA MEKOLIK - Latin Club; FHA; OEA; plans to attend college.

CINDY MINZEMAYER - FHA; OEA; Young Homemakers of Texas Award; plans to continue working.

CREN NAIVER - FFA; ICT; Ag Co-op; Baseball; Football; plans to work.

DENNIS NICKEL - FFA, president; Student Senate; State Lone Star Farmer Award; plans to attend Texas A&M.

SHARON NICKERSON - Band, twirler; HECE; FHA; Band Sweetheart Nominee, plans to attend Prairie View A&M.

JAMES NIRA - Band, quartermaster; ICT; plans to work or join the army.

KAREN O'REAR - Junior class secretary; FTA, vice president; Latin Club; FHA; Tennis Team; Goodfellow; plans to work and later attend UT.

SOFIE PEREZ - MALLARD, page design editor; Student Senate; Spanish Club; Pep Squad; NHS; Who's Who; Girls' State Alternate; Honor Graduate.

JOAN PETERS - plans to attend college.

MARVIN POKORNY - FFA; ICT; plans to work.

SHARON POLASEK - Choir; FHA; HERO, HECE.

DENNEY POLDRACK - plans to continue working.

KANDICE POLDRACK - MALLARD, editor; FTA, president; NHS, treasurer; Band, section leader; Student Senate; Who's Who in Math; UIL Band medals; ILPC First Place medal; Valedictorian; Academic Awards; Danforth Foundation Award; NHS Scholarship; Honor Graduate; Ruth Schroeder Memorial Scholarship; plans to attend SWTSU.

JOY PONKONEY - FTA; NHS; Latin Club; Drama Club; Band, twirler; MALLARD, business manager; Junior class parliamentarian; Senior class secretary; Homecoming Queen First runner-up; Band Sweetheart Second runner-up; Cheerleader; Student Senate, secretary; plans to attend TCU.

MARIANNE PONTON - Band, vice president; Choir; NHS; TARS, vice president; ETC., business manager; Choir Sweetheart; Band Sweetheart; Balfour Award; Homecoming Queen; District Choir; Salutatorian; Miss THS; Cotton Boll Relays Queen; Goodfellow; plans to attend Baylor.

DONALD RANDIG - FTA, parliamentarian; COTTON BOLL; Honor Graduate; plans to work.

KAREN REMMEL - Spanish Club, secretary-treasurer; FTA; FHA; NHS; plans to attend UT.

PAUL REYES - plans to attend college or a technical school.

GLORIA ROBINSON - Pep Squad; FHA; plans to attend business college.

JOHNNY ROOSE - Band, president; UIL Band medals; plans to attend school of engineering at Texas Tech.

AMY ROWE - OEA; Hi-Steppers; FHA; plans to attend SWTSU.

DIANE ROZNOVAK - Band, section leader; FTA; Latin Club; plans to attend SWTSU.

KENNETH SAKEWITZ - plans to move to the coast and work.

BALDAMAR SALAZAR - ICT; Building Trades; Baseball; plans to work.

JOSIE SANDOVAL - FHA; HECE; HERO; plans to work.

VIRGINIA SATTERFIELD - FHA; HECE; HERO; plans to attend business school.

RENEE SCHEER - Band; FHA; UIL Band medal; plans to work as a secretary.

DOUG SCHERNIK - FFA; plans to farm or attend a vocational school.

REX SCHNEIDER - FFA; Drama Club; plans to work.

HARRY SCHROEDOR - Plans to become a mechanic.

JUANNA SEALE - Mid-term graduate; Band.

BRUCE SEIDEL - plans to work.

LARRY SHILLER - FFA; ICT; plans to work as a draftsman.

CHARLOTTE SIMCIK - OEA; FHA; FTA; Drama Club; plans to work.

WILLIE JO SLEDGE

SHELLEY SMITH - Football; Track Drama Club; Basketball; plans to attend SWTSU.

VANITA SORENSON - FHA; HECE; plans to work.

RHONDA SORRELS - FHA; Drama Club; Cotton Boll Relays Queen Nominee; plans to work.

LLOYD STABENO - FFA; plans to attend college or work.

CRAIG STAFFORD - MALLARD, photography editor; Student Senate; PBA, president; plans to attend SHSU to major in photography.

CISSY STALMACH - Spanish Club; OEA; plans to work.

CURTIS STAUFFER - Band; FTA, treasurer; MALLARD; Track; Drama Club; Honor Graduate; Ecology Club; NHS, vice president; Gernert scholarship; Boys' State; plans to attend Baylor.

DANIEL STEFFEK - plans to work.

DAVID STIBA - Baseball; FFA; Football; Basketball; Student Senate; Goodfellow; plans to attend SHSU.

ELROY STOGLIN - Football, All-State, All Cen-Tex, Super Cen-Tex, All-District, All-Zone; Basketball, Letterman, All-District; Choir; plans to attend UT at El Paso.

CHARLENE STOLTE - OEA; FTA; FHA; TARS, treasurer; Pep Squad; plans to work.

BRAD STREIT - Football, All-District; Basketball; Track; Baseball; MALLARD; DECA; Student Senate; Goodfellow; plans to attend Stephen F. Austin University.

BETTY ANN STRMISKA - FHA, president; OEA; Drama Club; Library Club; J.V. Cheerleader; Pep Squad; plans to work.

DIANE STRMISKA - Hi-Steppers; OEA; plans to work.

ORA TANKSLEY - Volleyball; Track; FTA; FHA; HERO; Choral Club; plans to attend college.

DANIEL TALASEK - DECA; Baseball; FTA; Spanish Club; Student Senate; Tennis; Who's Who in cooperative programs; plans to go into the service.

SUSAN TATE - ICT, Outstanding Student Award; Student Senate; NHS; Latin Club; plans to work.

MARK TAYLOR - Baseball; plans to attend Temple Jr. College.

GREGORY TEGGEMAN - Football, All-District Offensive Tackle; Drama Club; COTTON BOLL, features editor, second in State headline writing; NHS; Honor Graduate; Academic Awards; plans to attend college.

GRIFFIN TEGGEMAN - Football, All-District; Drama Club, president; Senior class parliamentarian; Speech, first in informative speaking; FHA Beau; first in Region at VFW Voice of Democracy contest.

TINA TIEMANN - Cheerleader; Hi-Steppers; Pep Squad; FTA; FHA; OEA; Goodfellow; Homecoming Queen Nominee; Cotton Boll Relays Queen Nominee; Miss THS Nominee; plans to attend SWSTU.

GEORGE TORRES - Band, Beau Nominee.

BRENDA TOWNSEND - Band, secretary-treasurer; FTA; FHA; Latin Club; Band Sweetheart Nominee; NHS; plans to attend SWSTU.

RON TYSDALE - Drama Club; graduated at mid-term; attends UT.

MARGARET URBANEK - Hi-Steppers, second lieutenant; Spanish Club; Pep Squad; TARS; FTA; Melasky Scholarship; plans to attend SWTSU and become a nurse.

CRISPIN VALDEZ - Baseball; plans to join the Marines.

PATSY VALDEZ - FHA; Pep Squad; OEA; plans to work as a secretary.

JEANETTE VANACEK - Hi-Steppers; FHA; OEA; Drama Pep Squad; plans to work as a secretary.

DEBBIE VEGA - Spanish Club, president; Student Senate; OEA; FHA; NHS; Honor Graduate; Business and Professional Women's Club Scholarship; Bobby Wilks Memorial Scholarship; plans to work.

DEBBIE VOIGT - FHA; OEA, plans to work.

CANDY WALKER - Choir, District and Regional Choir, Choral Club, president; Band; Pep Squad; Pop Choir; Drama Club; French Club; Student Senate; Honor Graduate; plans to attend college.

JAN WALKER - Band, Drum Major; FTA, historian; Spanish Club; Drama Club; NHS; Senior class president; Melasky Scholarship; Who's Who in Music; plans to attend Blinn Jr. College.

JAMES WALTON - Drama Club; Football; plans to attend SWTSU.

AVA WEISE - Hi-Steppers; Sophomore class secretary; Spanish Club; plans to attend business school and become a legal secretary.

LARRY WHATLEY - Football; Basketball; Track; FFA; Freshman class vice president; COTTON BOLL, sports editor; plans to attend Blinn Jr. College.

WIN WILLIAMS - Football, captain, Honorable Mention All-District; Senior class vice president; Spanish Club; NHS; MALLARD; FFA; Drama Club; Goodfellow; Who's Who; Mr. THS Nominee; plans to attend Baylor.

BETH WINGATE - VICA; plans to attend college or join the armed forces.

TOMMY WYCHE - Football; Hi-Steppers Beau; plans to attend college.

SHARON YOUNG - TARS; FTA; Band; FHA; Betty Crocker Homemakers Award; plans to attend college.

BARBARA ZACHARY - FHA; Pep Squad; Choir; Volleyball; Track; plans to attend Durham's Business College.

LOUIS ZACHARY - Basketball; Choir; plans to go into the Air Force.

SAMMIE ZACHARY

PHILIP ZAVALA - Choir; DECA; Choral Club; plans to enter the Navy.

SCOTT ZETAK - FTA; Latin Club; Drama Club; MALLARD; Who's Who; NHS; Junior class treasurer; plans to attend Baylor and major in history.

PATRICIA ZUCKNICK - FHA; Choir; OEA; plans to work.

LONNIE ZYCHA - DECA; plans to work.



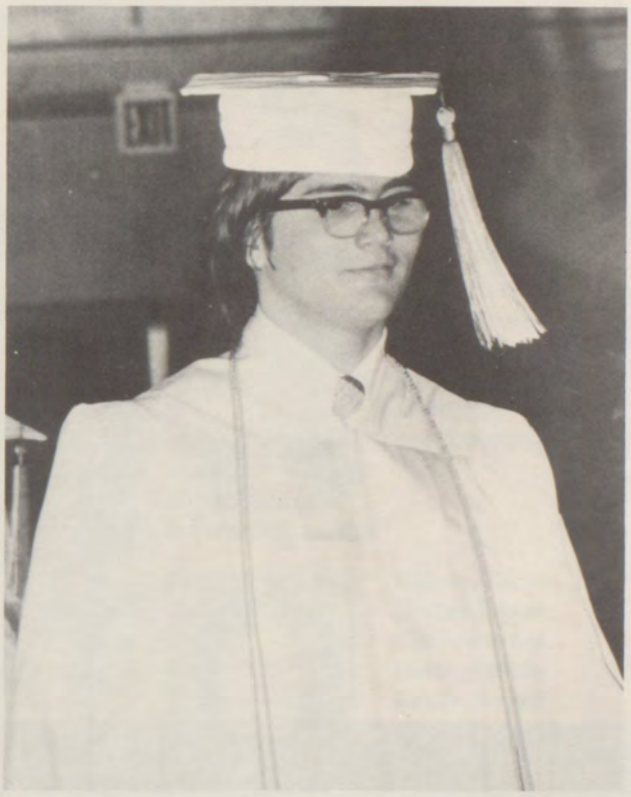














LEFT PAGE: (Left) David Caffey picks out his homework for I.C.T. (Center) In chemistry Scott Zetak fills out a lab report based on his experiments. (Right) To observe the disintegration of a compound, Michael Bachmeyer heats an evaporating dish. RIGHT PAGE: (Upper Left) As Debbie Vega types a form for O.E.A., Shirley Manning waits to ask her a question. (Upper Right) Concentrating on getting the hitter out, David Stiba crouches to catch the ball. (Above Left) Vickie Marburger scrutinizes the package containing her long-awaited cap and gown. (Above Right) David Honeycutt proudly marches down the aisle at Baccalaureate. (Left) At the prom, Mitchell Gipson and Claudia Lee listen to the music of "Reunion."

New Projects Net Funds for the Prom

Relieved to find they were past the halfway mark, juniors experienced a year of anticipation and excitement.

A winning Homecoming sign proved to be well worth the long hours of work they put into it. Selling decals, running the Gatesville concession stand and preparing a barbecue in the spring were a few of the ways they acquired money for the prom.

Though class participation was often a problem, the juniors overflowed with spirit, and they showed it by winning the spirit stick.

For most juniors, looking forward to their final year made everything worth it. For an unusual number of them, however, graduating early was the thing to do so they could get a head start on their futures.



Heidi Aguilar
Eloy Alderete
Ricky Alford
Don Allen





Ofamia Alvarado
Shelley Anderson
Susan Anderson
Harlan Bachmayer







(Above) Wade Williams listens to a proposal for a Junior class money-making project at an officers meeting. (Left) Junior class officers Mickey McGee, reporter; Vickie Simcik, vice president; Wade Williams, president; Lisa Corbett, treasurer; Heidi Aguilar, parliamentarian and Karen O'Rear, secretary, discuss plans for the Junior class barbecue.



Jeff Balusek



Ken Balusek





Lisa Corbett, Heidi Aguilar, Karen O'Rear and Vickie Simcik discuss a moneymaking project during a class meeting.

Allen Baran











Doug Barron
Tim Bartosh
Beverly Bearden
John Berry
Sue Berryhill











Kenneth Beyer
Jimmy Bigon
Cindy Bittner
Rodney Bohls
Kathy Borgne











Melissa Bowling
Delvin Brown
Sharon Brown
Devvie Brueckner
Ricky Bubenik











Debbie Bucanek
Tim Bulgerin
George Campos
Irene Chapa
Delia Ann Contreras

Lisa Corbett
Forrest Corne
Doug Cotner
Cindy Crowley
Scott Cutcher







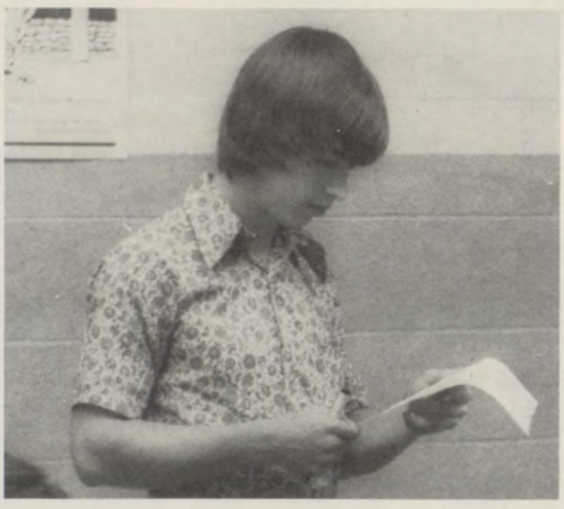
Donna Daughtry
John Debus
Joe De La Rosa
Carla Dial
Joe Downs







Mary Jane Duffy
Wayne Flannery


Journalism I student, John Debus, proofreads his story for the COTTON BOLL.

Delores Fojtik
Trinett Freeman




Rodney Gamble
David Gomez





A member of the Student Senate Kazoo Band, Rodney Bohls displays his skill during the Homecoming assembly.

Estella Gomez
Grace Gomez




Henry Gonzales
Homer Gonzales
Irene Gonzales
Raymond Gonzales
Karen Haller









Kent Hanacik



Cynthia Harrell







First-place-winning Junior sign brightens up Homecoming Day and urges the Ducks to victory.

Jennifer Henderson

Roy Hernandez











Clint Herzer
Nathaniel Hill
Mike Hollowell
Carol Holton
Charles Hurta











Barbara Huser
Debbie Ingram
Alvin Isensee
Lisa Jacobson
Rodney Jansky











Donna Jones
Ginger Kaiser
Carol Kaspar
Doug Kaspar
Pam Kaspar

Larry Kieschnick
Frances Kiesling



Kevin Page, Rodney Bohls and Cindy Crowley give their votes to Cindy Towsend for the choice of the band for the Junior-Senior prom.

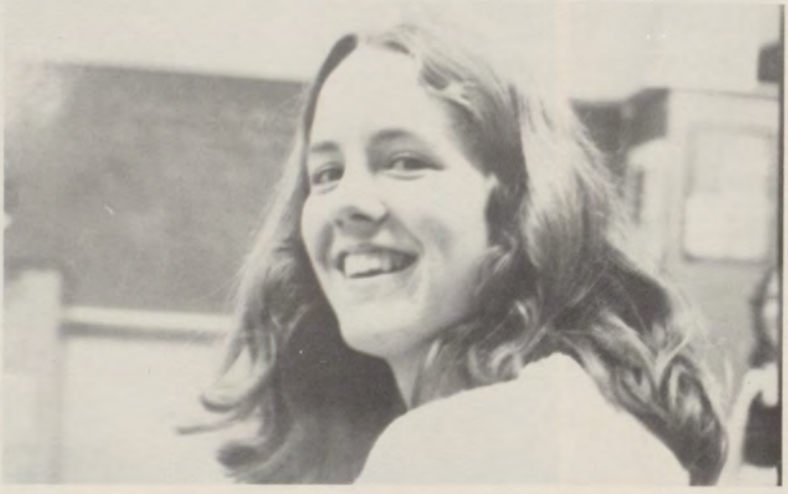


Ruth Kincl
Mike Kirschvink

Darwin Klotz



Stella Taliaferro passes on another of her gleaming smiles as she is recognized by her fellow students as a new face in Taylor High.



Kimberly Klotz



Kathryn Kotrla
Frankie Krenek
Vicki Kromas
Duane Kuhl
Beverly Lefner





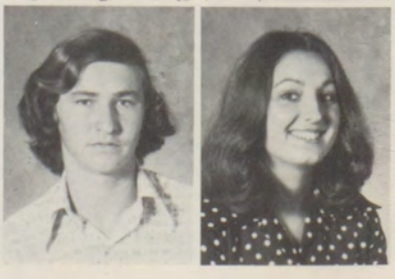
Teresa Leschber
Bryan Mahlow
Diane Manley
Vickie Marcon
Myra Martin





Terry Matetzschk
Mickey McGee
Beth Merka
Doug Mikulencak
Marcy Mokry











Robert Naivar
Carla Nickerson
Alex Ochoa
Placido Olguin
Karen O'Rear







Kevin Page
Jana Parker
Sherry Pasemann
Sammie Perry
Michael Peschel



Tim Pevehouse





With help from Duck Donna Barron, Myra Martin leads a yell for the pep squad to boost spirit at a pep rally.

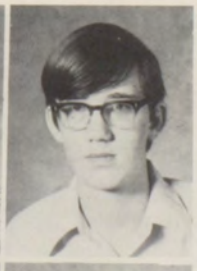
Raymond Pokorny




Susan Ponton

As long as he keeps his eye on the balls, Bob Smith has no trouble with his juggling act.







Becky Preuss
Ricky Preusse
James Psencik
Debbie Raesz
Harvey Randle







Jennifer Rathke
Robert Rathke
Ophal Reese
Ken Richter
Brad Ross

Ruth Rowland
Pam Roznovak
Donna Ryan
Manuel Salazar



Paul Santa Cruz



After a long day of school, Tommy Zett seems pleased with the thought of going home.





Renee Scott



Working hard to finish their newspaper assignments before the bell, this World History class shows that they are concerned with current world and local events.



Debra Shamard



Robin Sutton, Kathryn Kotrla, Barbara Huser and John Debus concentrate on taking the PSAT/NMSQT tests.

Diana Sherek



Chris Sikes
Vickie Simcik
Bob Smith
Becky Sorenson
Carolyn Stauffer



David Stolte
Roxanne Strmiska
Robin Sutton
Stella Taliaferro
Louis Tamez









Lourdes Torres
Cindy Townsend
Bruce Turner
Phillip Wagner
Anna Walton





Larry Washington

Hoping for a good class picture, Shelly Anderson flashes a bright smile for the camera.



Doug Weise




Janis West

At the Future Teachers district convention, Frances Kiesling joins in conversation with the FTA members around her.



Lisa Wilborn








Roberta Young
Tommy Zett
Michael Zycha




Wade Williams
David Wingate
Shelley Wooldridge
Dan Wuthrich
Debbie Young

NOT PICTURED
Danny Cervenka
Donnie Felder
William Kruse
Johnny Moreno
Larry Williams

Cooperation → Success



After surviving one year as freshmen, enthusiastic sophomores started the year off with a bang.

During football season, their continuous display of spirit and liveliness earned them the spirit stick two times. By running the concession stands at the Belton football game and at all the home basketball games, they managed to clear a large profit to add to their ever-growing treasury.

A new point system helped the eager sophomores plan early for their senior trip and to increase class participation.

The number of sophomore drivers increased daily, it seemed, as the graduates of summer drivers education celebrated sixteenth birthdays with a driver's test.

Excitement overwhelmed them when at last the time came for senior rings to be ordered. Trying to pick the suitable color and style proved to be a difficult task.

They took pride in a successful year as the long-awaited end of the year arrived and sophomores moved up one step closer to the top.

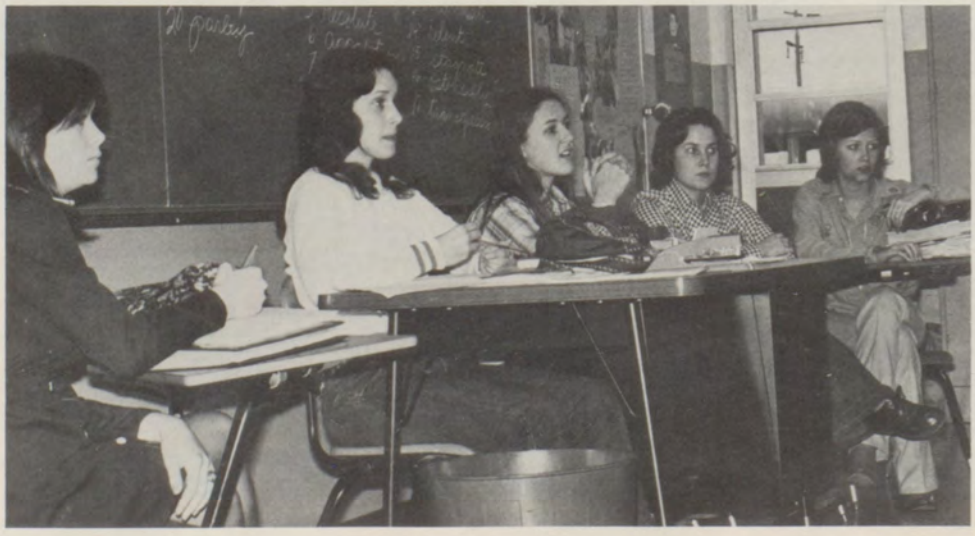
SOPHOMORES

Diane Alderete
Doug Alexander
Louisa Alvarez
Lois Anderson
Randall Bachmeyer



Beatrice Bailey
Colleen Baird
Judy Baran
Beverly Barnett
Gene Barnett





(Right) Sophomore class officers Donna Repa, secretary; Scholley Buzan, president; Rhonda Srnensky, vice president; Pam Wyche, reporter and Donna Tiemann, parliamentarian, organize the basketball concession stands at a class meeting. (Top) Scott Ging and Doug Alexander reveal growing sophomore enthusiasm.



Donna Barron
Leslie Basco
Patricia Batto
Roxanne Berger
Dallas Berry



Larry Blomquist
Coledon Bosley
Lucille Bradford
Rhonda Brinkmeyer
Jeanette Brown



Mike Bruce
Scholley Buzan
Trey Buzan
Renee Calder
Sherry Campbell



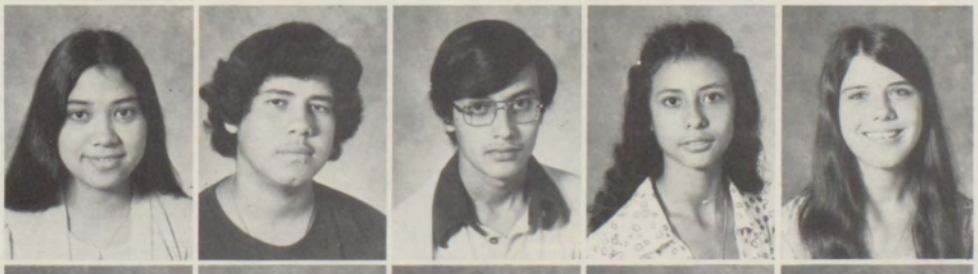
Debbie Carpenter



Delegates of the Sophomore class meet to discuss plans for the concession stand at the Belton game.



Elvino Carrizales



Emily Chapa
Frank Chapa
Frank Chavana
Mary Camacho
Barbara Conn



Thomas Conn
Jessie Copeland
Vanessa Cox
Tim Crabb
Mark Cuba

Eric Cupp
Duane Danek





Vickie Doss
Sheri Dykowski





To help boost spirit at pep rallies, Dorie Switzer happily shows her twirling abilities.



Johnny Estrada
Brenda Farr





Dana Farr
Denise Faykus
Alice Flores
Abby Frazier









Doris Frederick
Joe Gamez
Craig Garrett
Cruzita Garza









Linda Gault
Gary Gaydos
Mary Gayton
Scott Ging









Lanny Gist
Joe Gomez
Billy Good
David Gordon

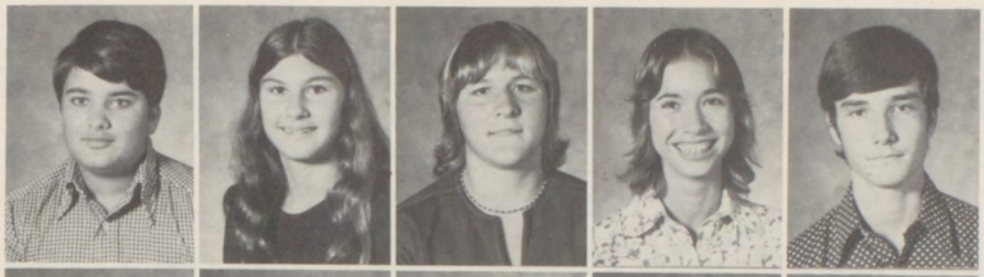












Jimmy Graybill
Marie Grieger
Shelly Grieger
Mary Griep
Willard Guidry



Janice Haag
Bret Harbers
Susan Harris
Melissa Haverland
Randy Haverland



Raymond Hernandez
Eddie Hertz
Mary Hollan
Carol Hollowell
Laine Holman





Mary Holman
Daniel Holubec



Denise Hubbard
Derrick Hubbard

Pat Strmiska finds that combining the Christmas season with Homemaking makes work a little easier.



Ricky Huber
Albert Janecka

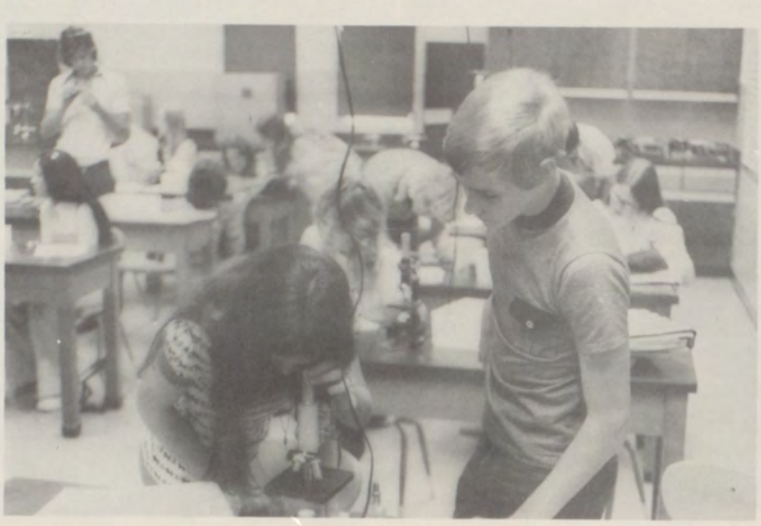


Denise Jefferson
Carolyn Johnson

Darrell Johnson
Duane Johnson
Patrick Jones
Cynthia Jozwiak
Gary Keith



Connie Kelso







Examining the many mysteries of biology are Colleen Baird and Doug Alexander.

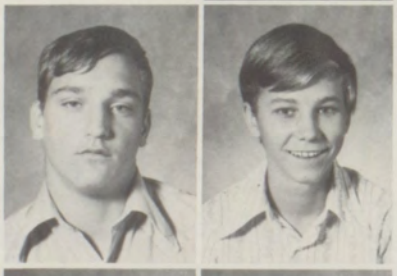
Robert Killingsworth

Tim Kinsley
Paul Knox





James Kolinek
Steven Kovar



With a ring of enthusiasm, Kelly Zetak encourages the Ducks at the District play-off game against Belton.

Sherry Krenek
Judy Kropp



Sheila Kruse
Becky Kubala
Gary Lankford
Madeline Lewis
Terry Lindemann

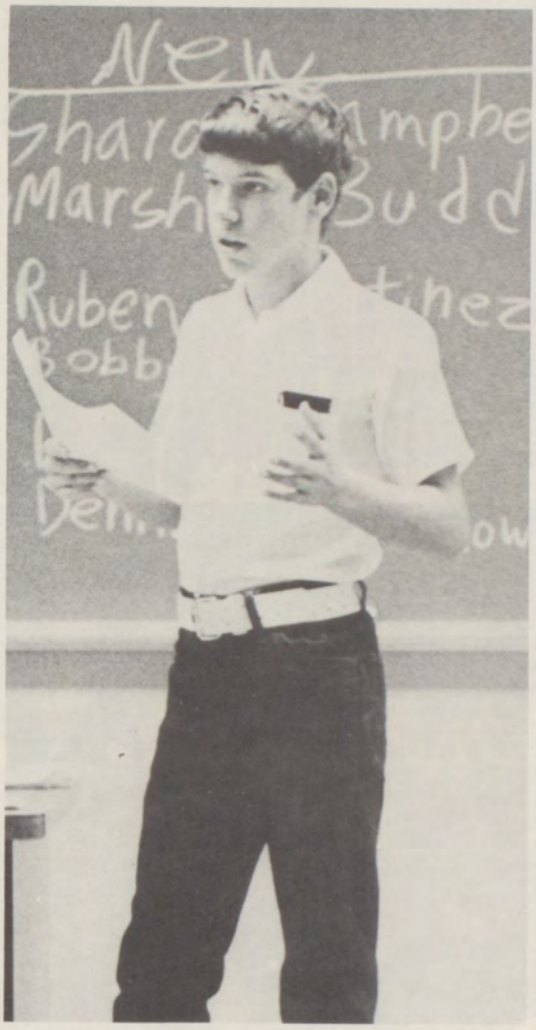














Ben Lopez
Delores Lopez



Bart Luck
Donna Lutz

Student Senate Treasurer Jimmy Scrivner gives a report of the District XVIII Convention.



Gloria Mackey
Ann Marek



Annette Martin
Chestina Martin











Debbie Martin
Bobby Martinez
Ruben Martinez
Hilaria Medina
James Medina











David Meiske
Russell Minzenmayer
Mark Moffet
Gilbert Mokry
Gene Moreno











Marion Morgan
Mike Moss
Patricia McDonald
Janice Natek
Pat Nira

Robert Norris
Tom Oranday
Linda Ornelas
Karen Page
Robert Perry



Kim Petrus
Tim Pokorny
Cheryl Raesz
Vickie Randig
Sheila Reese



Donna Repa
Antonio Reyes
Jason Rieger
Kim Robb
Ernie Rohlack



Teri Roose
Glen Ross





Glenda Ross
David Rozacky





Although pausing from her cheerleading duties for a cool drink, Abby Frazier never takes her eyes off the game.



Marcel Ruzicka
Sue Ruzicka





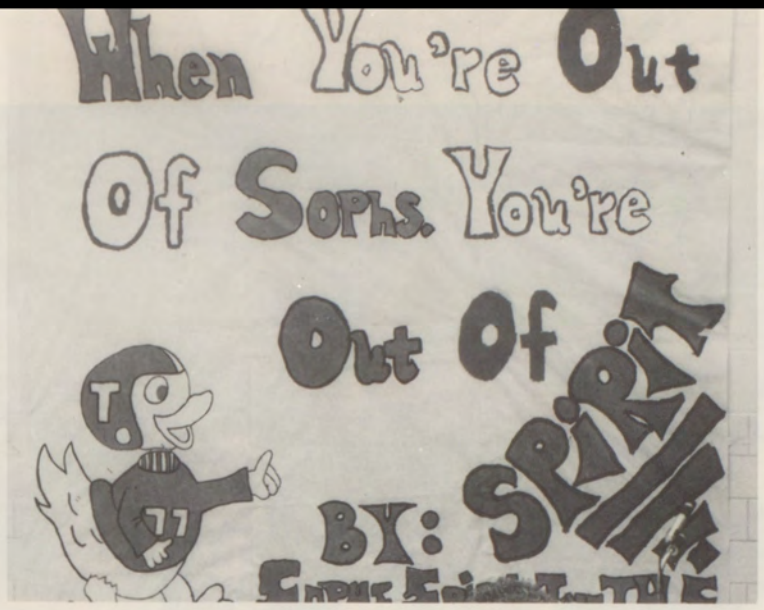
Diane Salazar
Irma Santa Cruz











Ronald Schaefer

Sophomores fill the school with spirit and signs thus winning the spirit stick twice during the football season.

Jimmy Scrivner











Kathryn Seigmund
Bill Sitman
Melodie Slagle
Billy Smith
Richard Smith











Teresa Snider
Susan Sobotik
Tony Sorrels
Rhonda Srnensky
Lin Stabeno



Ernest Stefek







All smiles are Scholley Buzan and Colleen Baird while eagerly awaiting the first quarter of the opening season basketball game.

Sarah Stoll

Molly Stone

Douglas Strait
Pat Strmiska
David Switzer
Dorie Switzer
Timmy Talley



Emma Tanksley
Billy Ray Thomas
Donna Tiemann
Marcia Tillis
Gabriel Torres



Rosario Torres
Joe Tovar
Delia Trevino



Linda Trevino
Ginny Urbanek
Donna Vega



Enthusiastic Donna Tiemann cheers the Ducks to victory in her very special way.

Wayne Voigt
Kathy Vrana
Susan Walton



Billy Washington
Deborah Werchan
Evelyn White
Sonja Wingate
Pam Wyche



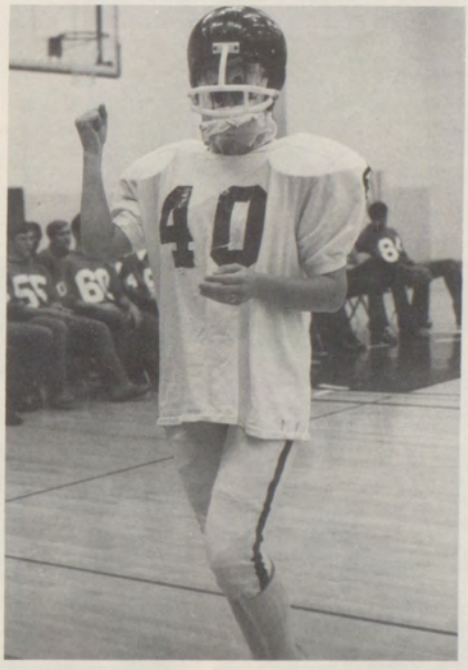
Janice Zachary
Yvonne Zachary
Kelly Zetak
Bridget Zycha













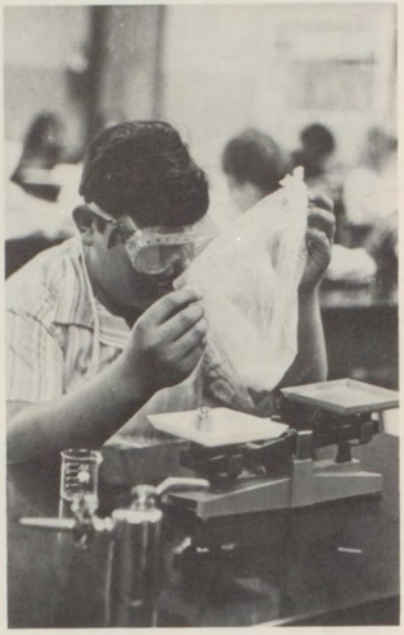
SOPHS: NOT PICTURED: Marsha Budd, Albert Cathey, Gloria Cummings, Tim Kiesling, Marvin Mapp, Billy Moore and Mary Vasquez. (Top) Susan Sobotik joins other Hi-Steppers in a warm-up drill before a pep rally performance. (Top Right) Smiling as usual, Teri Roose draws near the end of another routine. (Above Left) Cheryl Raesz listens to plans for another ETC. magazine publication. (Above Right) Super Duck, Donna Barron, joins in on the yell "The Big Green Machine Keeps Movin' Along." (Left) Duck footballer, David Rozacky, finds it vital to lift weights in order to help have another winning team next fall.

Fresh Contributions From New Faces

Adjusting from middle school to high school presented the major problem for freshmen the first few weeks of school. New schedules, new teachers and unfamiliar halls greeted fish at the beginning of school until new habits became routine and freshmen settled into high school's pattern.

Freshmen quickly became involved in activities around school. One of them even planted a tree on school grounds and offered to care for it during the year. During football season the whole class banded together to win the spirit stick by bringing fishing poles and decorating the student center. A successful bake sale in November provided all the finances needed for the beginning year of high school, so freshmen planned no other money-raising project.

From upperclassmen at middle school to low men on the totem pole at high school was a big jump, but finally starting the last four-year stretch of public schooling made it worthwhile.







(Top) Intently watching a chemical reaction, Claudy Gamez handles the hydrochloric acid in the bag with extreme caution in physical science. (Above) Freshmen class officers are Debra Norris, parliamentarian; Pam Brueckner, reporter; Karen Mazac, vice president and Vickie Hughes, secretary. (Right) On the Band's trip to the Mardi Gras, Jo Ann Mott and Kim Sapp use their free time to go on a shopping spree.







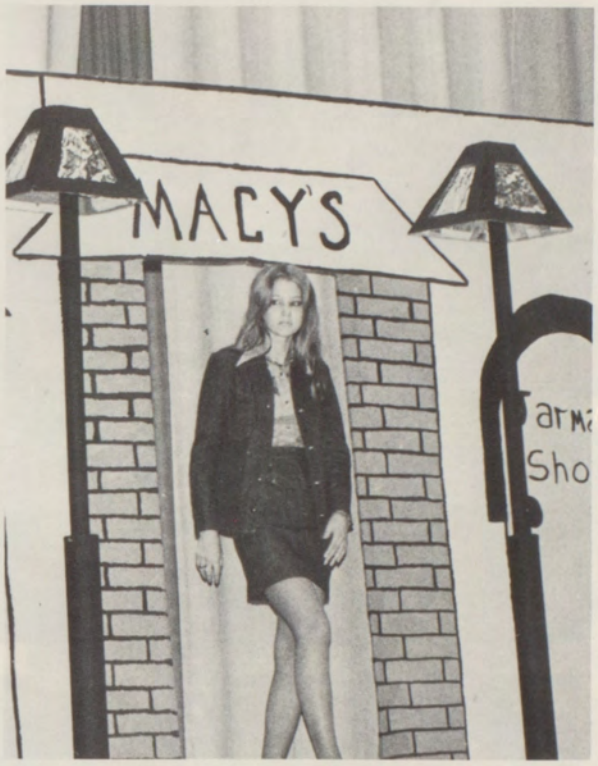




























Billy Aguilar
Domingo Alderte

Brenda Zrubek models the latest fashions at the choir "Styles Alive" concert fashion show.

Rosa Alderte
David Alford

Anita Allen
Tanner Autry

Ronald Benskin
David Betak
Marion Biehle
Denise Blakely
Lydia Blomquist

Richard Botello
Terri Briggs

Getting "creamed" is one way Jimmy Grimm shows his fine Duck spirit at a pep rally.

Gayle Brister
Pam Brueckner

Dale Bunge
Leonard Burnett

David Burow
Lisa Buzan



LouAnn Mokry and Gayle Brister work for perfection in cutting out Christmas cookies.

Lisa Campos
Debbie Cantrell





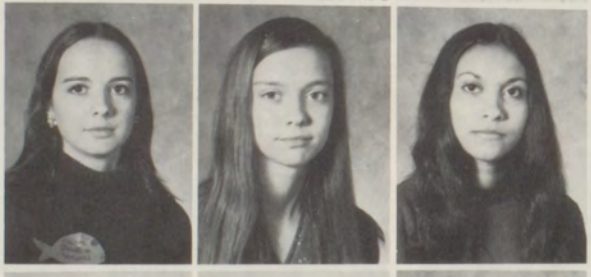


Mary Carmona
Nellie Carmona
James Casey
Alex Castro
Ronald Cepak





Darlene Cervenka
Deborah Cervenka
Anna Marie Chavana
James Collins
Karen Corne



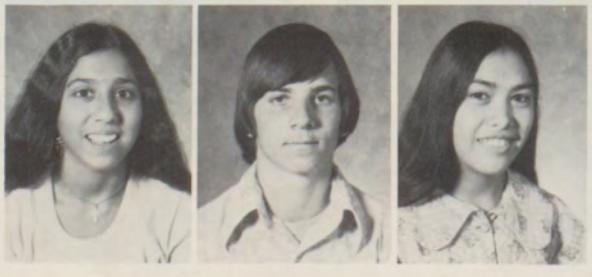


Janice Cubit
Jessie Curtis
Willie Curtis
Rick Cuzzort
Elaine Davison





Stella De La Rosa
Randell Dloughy
Delores Dominguez
Lupe Dominguez
Cindy Dworaczyk











John Dykowski

At their first class meeting, these Fish are elated with their first taste of high school life.

Donna Eiben







Linda Estrada
Terry Farr
Pam Finn
Kenny Flannery
Helen Flores







Donald Frederick
Janeane Fuessel
Robert Fuller
Ruthie Gambrell
Carmen Gamez





Claudy Gamez
Joann Gamez







Becky Garcia
Abraham Garza

Dennis Mundkowski is still able to smile after breaking his arm during football action.





Sidney Ging
Robert Gomez

David Gonzales
Edna Gonzales
Larry Gonzales







Lisa Buzan contemplates her next step in preparing a baked creation in her homemaking class.



Mike Gossett
John Griep
Jimmy Grimm









Jay Harkins
Michael Harrell





Reva Killingsworth and Janice Cubit take advice from Junior Ofamia Alvarado in their Homemaking I class.

Ella Harris
Todd Harris





David Heap
Pam Henry
Randall Hobbs
Vickie Hughes
Winford Hull











Annie Jackson
Janet Jackson
Kathleen Jackson
Peggy Janak
Benny Janecka

















Stephen Janke
Brenda Johnson
Delores Jonse
Fernando Jonse
Debra Kaiser







Lee Keel
Larry Kelly
Ronnie Kelly
Peggy Kilgore
Reva Killingsworth







Neva Klotz
Kathie Krenek
Darryl Kruse
Mark Kruse
Pam Kruse





Douglas Kuhl

Vickie Hughes, Kathie Krenek, Lisa Buzan, Neva Klotz and Debbie McGee don't seem to have a care in the world as they relax between classes.

Ronnie Lawler









Claudia Lee
Cynthia Loeve
Jerry Lopez
Lucy Lopez
Glenn Mackey







Sheila Mahlow
Ricky Mann
David Marcon
Merry Marek
Irene Martinez

Rosemary Matuke
Karen Mazac
Debbie McGee
Christi McLaughlin
Eusebio Medina



Tim Mikeska
Deral Milliken



Jack Rambo receives the eager assistance of Stancie Schwenker, Ellen Schmidt, Sheila Mahlow, Lisa Buzan, Vickie Hughes and Kathie Krenek at the Freshman Bake Sale.



Hope Moerbe
Lou Ann Mokry



Jay Moldenhour
Denise Morales



Joann Mott



Kim Sapp joins the rest of the Band in playing music of the 50's for the Homecoming Assembly.





Dennis Mundkowsky

Harold Nelson
Debra Norris
Toni Oden
Sylvia Ortiz
Laurie Pasemann







Nora Perez
Michael Pittman
Charlie Pokorny
Mary Polasek
Susan Price





Aurora Reyes
Rudy Reyes
Keith Rieger
Charles Louis Rogers
Gene Ross





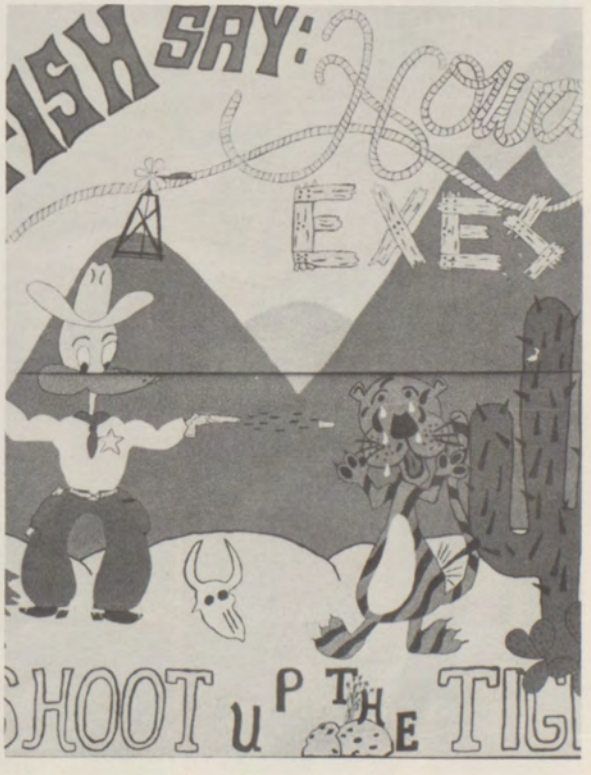
Alvin Roznovak
Brian Sakewitz
Esther Salazar
Janie Sandoval
Kim Sapp





Ellen Schmidt
Stephanie Schneider
Anna Marie Schwenke
Stancie Schwenker
Tammi Sefcik





Larry Shamard
David Sikes

Freshmen are unable to net first place in the Homecoming sign contest even with this colorful creation.

Penny Sitman
David Slivensky



Dewanna Slocum
Casey Smith

Eva Smith
Isabel Soza



Leonard Burnett checks a drafting assignment one last time before turning it in.



Debra Spellings
Gaylon Steffek



Donald Stolte
Linda Strmiska





At a break during classes, Tammi Sefcik goes to her locker to get the necessary books for her next class.

Loaded down with luggage, a uniform and purchases from the Mardi Gras trip, Steven Sutton gratefully arrives back in Taylor.



Ricky Strmiska
Steven Sutton
Arthur Tamez













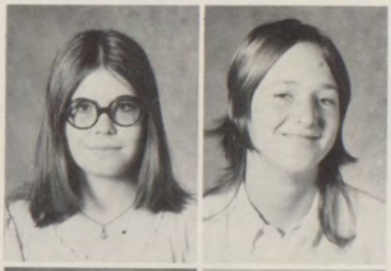


Eloise Thomas
Kenneth Thomas
Debra Tillis
Gregory Tillis
Debbie Touchstone

Jesse Tovar
Sherri Townsend
Ramona Urbanek
Rachel Valdez
Teresa Vega

Sharon Walker
Patricia Wapole
Joe Walton
David Welch
Betty Weisner











Jeannie Wilborn
Nancy Wingate
David Wolbrueck

Freshmen show their interest and involvement in school activities by watching the intramural volleyball games at lunch.

David Wolbrueck
Clarence Wooldridge

Ray Yanis
Kirk Zachary

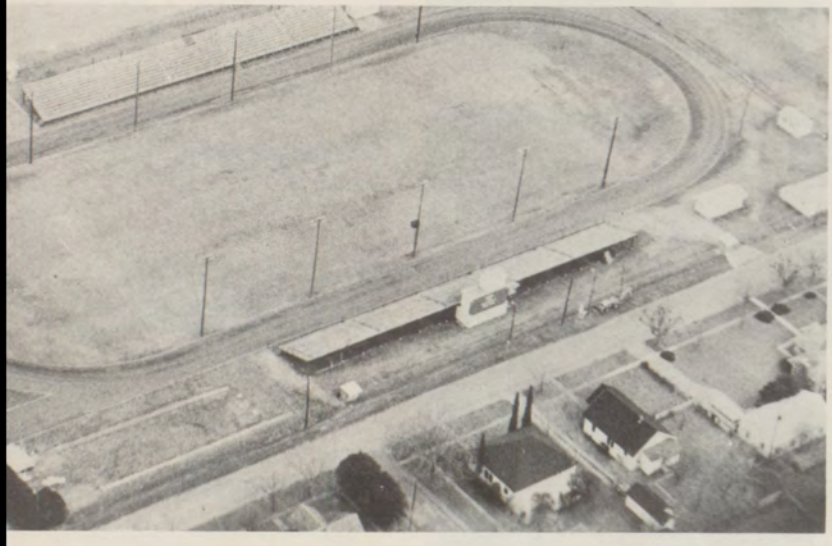
As he runs past a freshman Yoeman, Clarence Wooldridge gains yardage which adds to the winning effort of the freshman team.

Lester Zachary
Brenda Zrubek

Come Back and See Us Sometime

The end of another long day is marked by the usual ritual of leaving school. While some free-spirited students merely jumped on motorcycles and wheeled out of the parking lot, the more studious ones dragged notes, books, musical instruments, etc. out to their cars. There were only two basic escape routes leading students away from school - Mallard Lane and the highway. But either path was full of speedsters at 3:30, some who wanted to hit the tennis courts and others who simply headed for home to watch television. No matter how rapidly students cleared the school parking lot, it never seemed adequate as they often dreamed of having their own personal helicopter to carry them home.

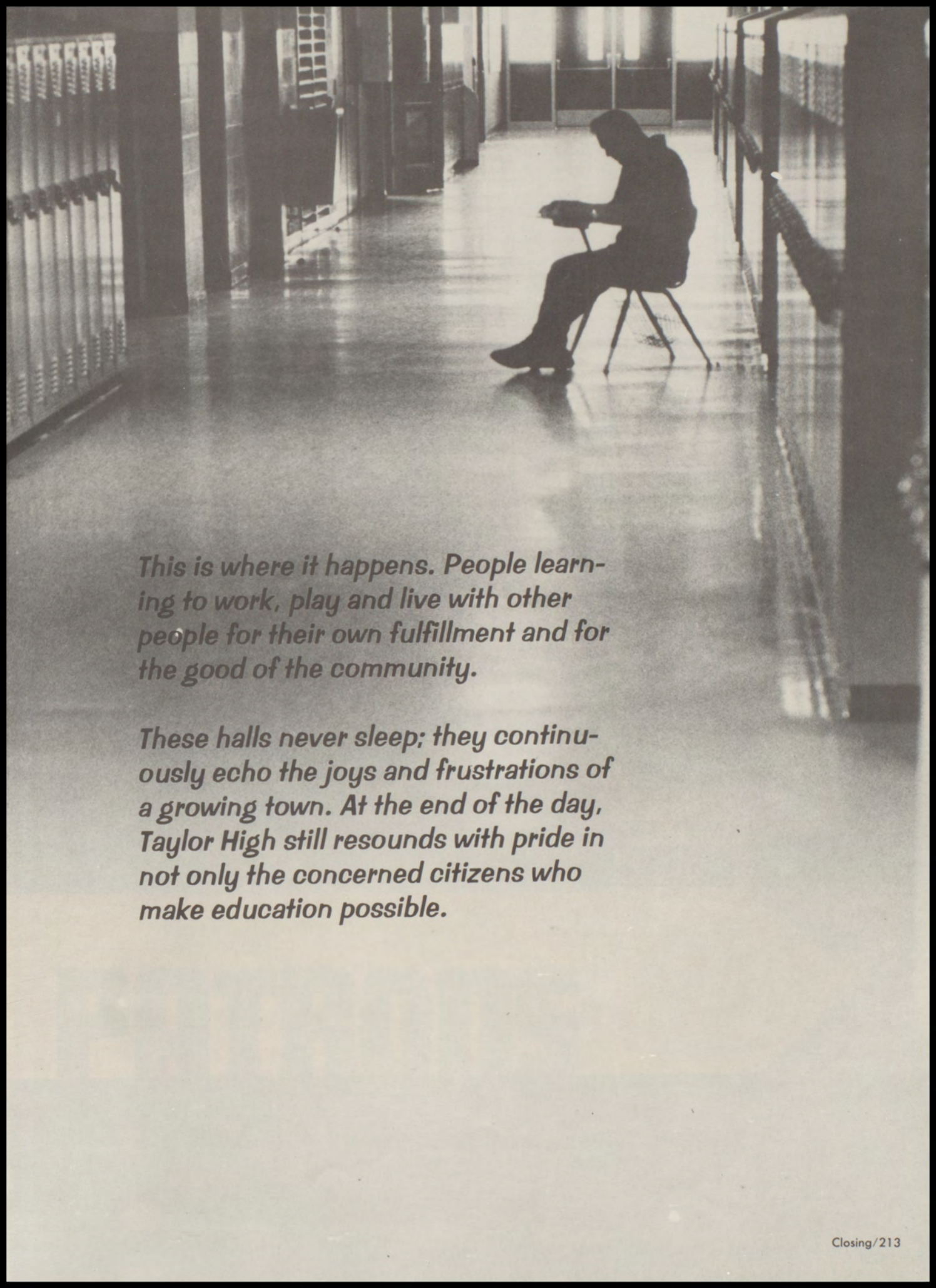












This is where it happens. People learning to work, play and live with other people for their own fulfillment and for the good of the community.

These halls never sleep; they continuously echo the joys and frustrations of a growing town. At the end of the day, Taylor High still resounds with pride in not only the concerned citizens who make education possible.











A sure indication of a progressive town is when more stores are built and new ideas are formulated. Area merchants have done much to support the school and the students. Their good will has been reciprocated and highly appreciated by Taylor High.

Representing the expansion of the business district, new stores such as this Seven Eleven are being constructed outside of the downtown area.

High schoolers like Marie Grieger, Karen Page and Kim Robb are a big part of the merchant's clientele.

An aerial view of the Taylor business dis-









PATRONS

trict shows our economy from a different vantage point.

A wide variety of shops are crowded along Main Street.

It is always time to save when shopping in Taylor.

Despite the mode of transportation, all Taylorites eventually make it into town.

Taylor's own radio station, with Fred Switzer, announcer, lends entertainment and sophistication to the town.

Santa Claus visits downtown shoppers during the Christmas rush.

GOODYEAR



TAYLOR GOODYEAR TIRE CENTER

Your Auto, Truck, Farm Tire Headquarters
352-3687

TAYLOR AUTO ELECTRIC AND MAGNETO

219 E. 3rd 352-2411

IRA A. PREWITT HARDWARE CO.

The Complete Hardware Store

316 N. Main 352-6316



DAIRY QUEEN worker, Diane Huff, prepares to serve hot tacos to an anxiously awaiting customer.

Dairy Queen

DAIRY QUEEN

Everybody's Everything
Taylor



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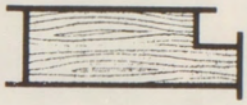

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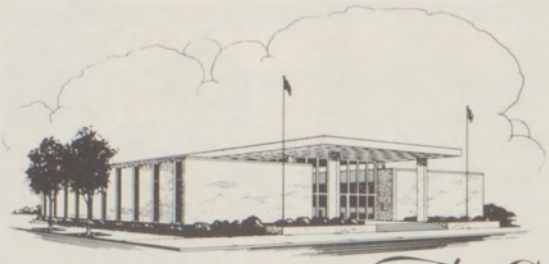

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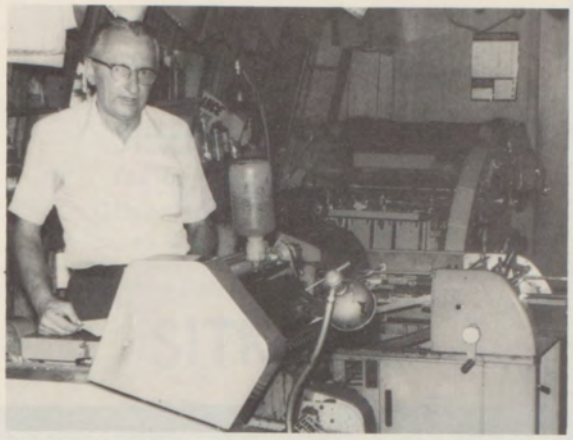

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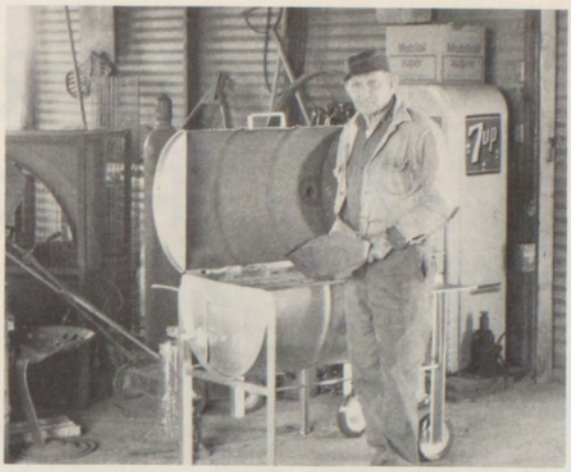

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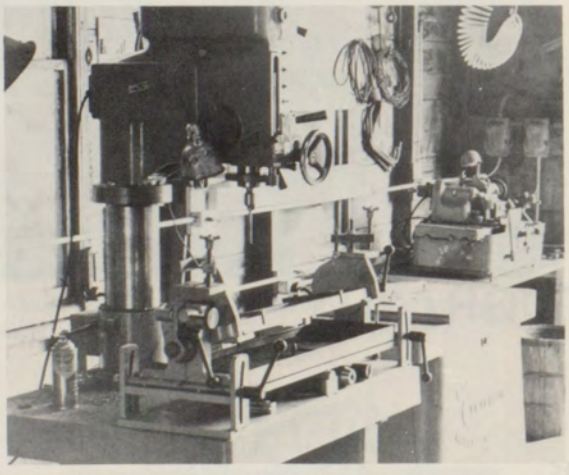

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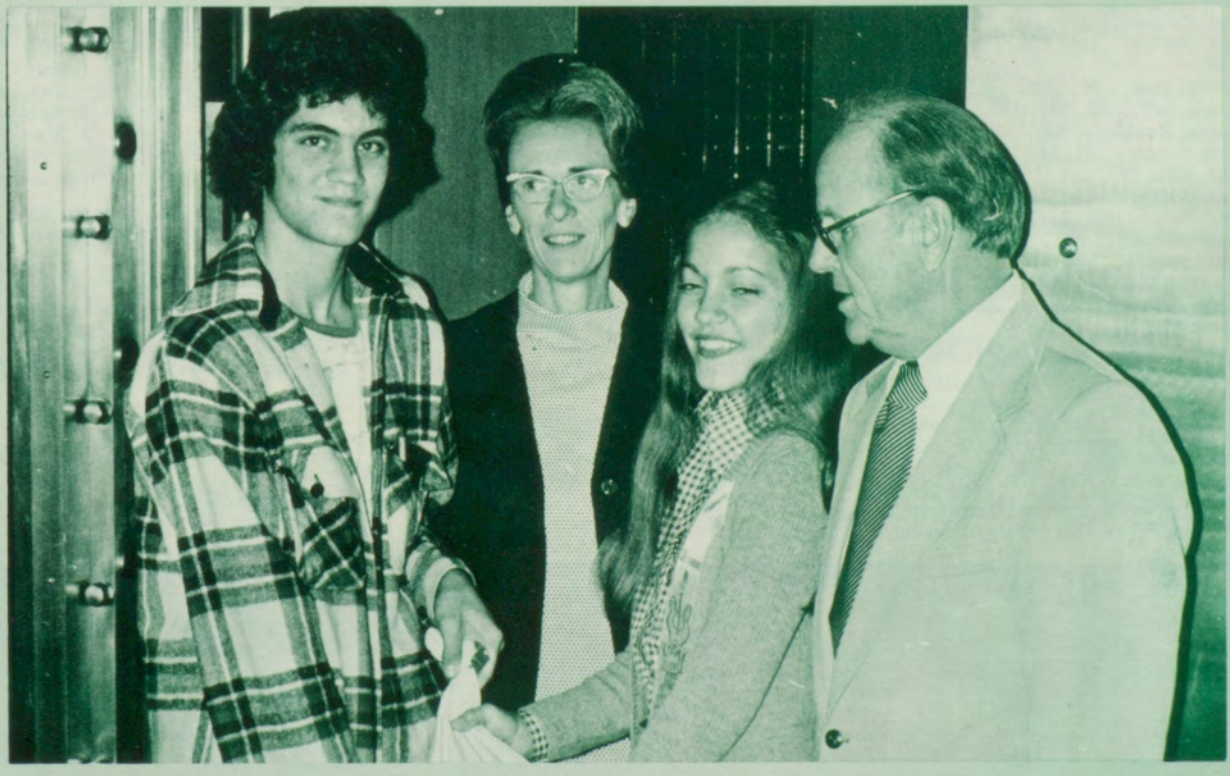

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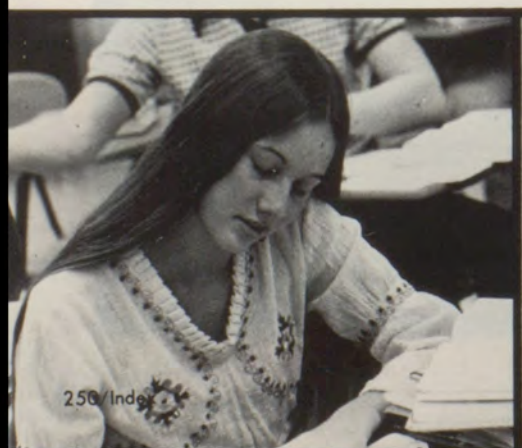









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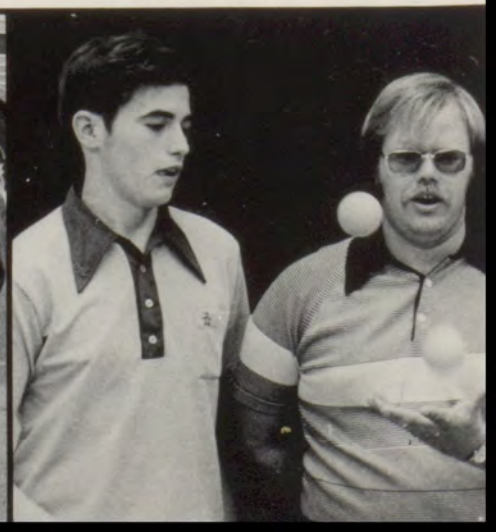





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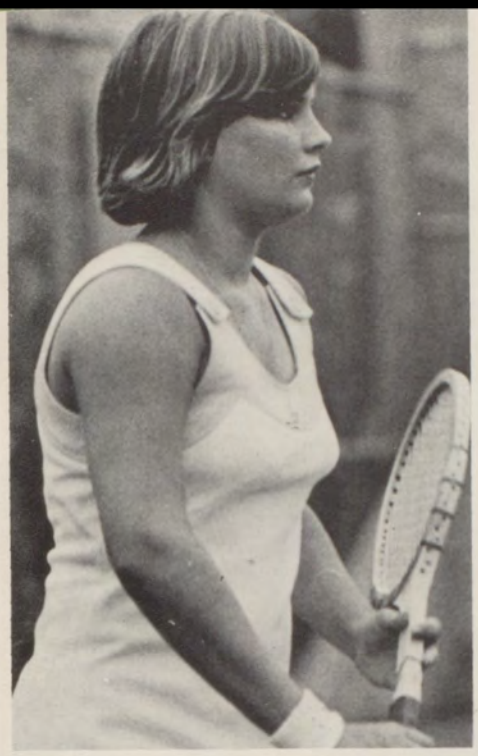







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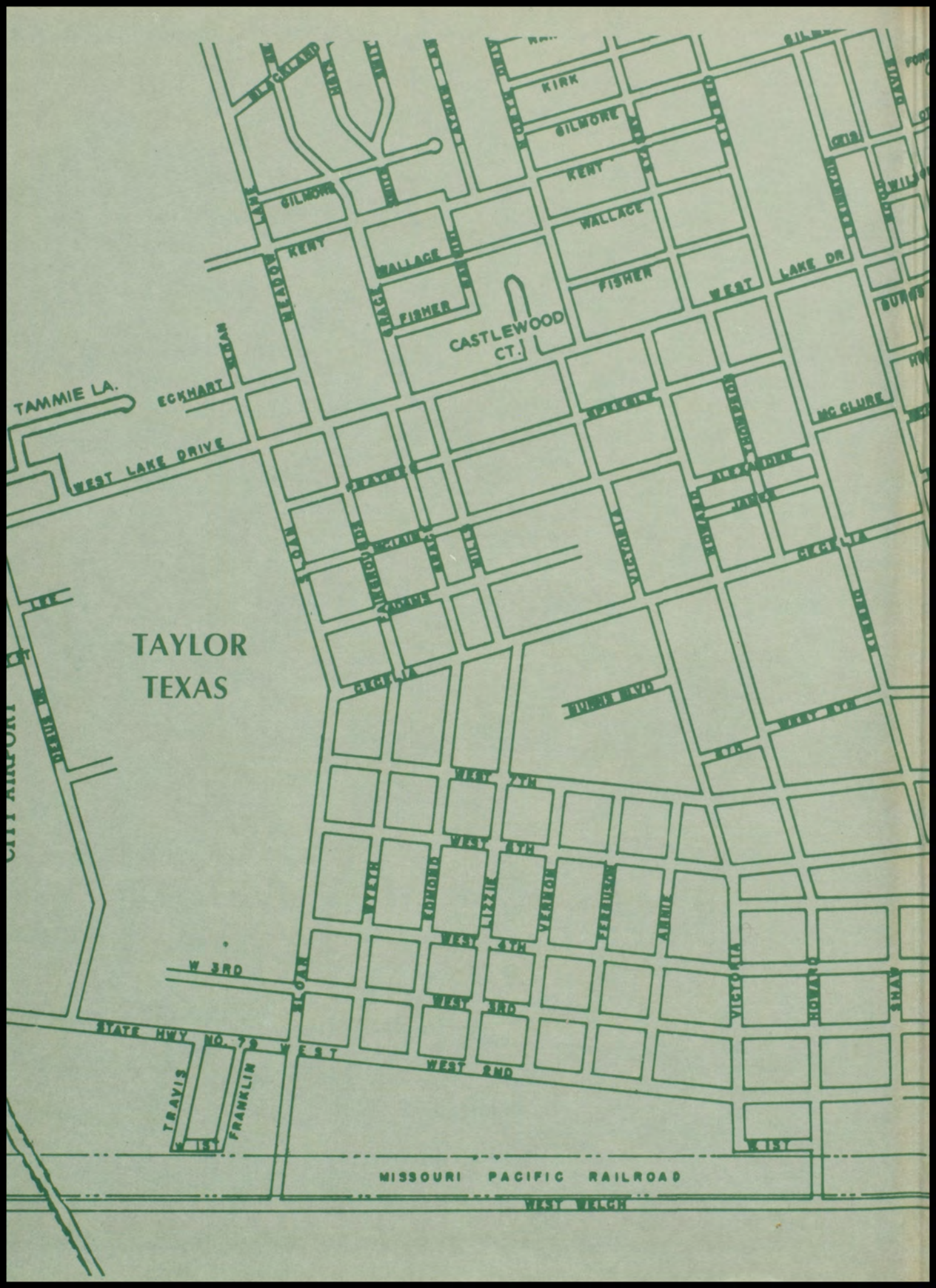
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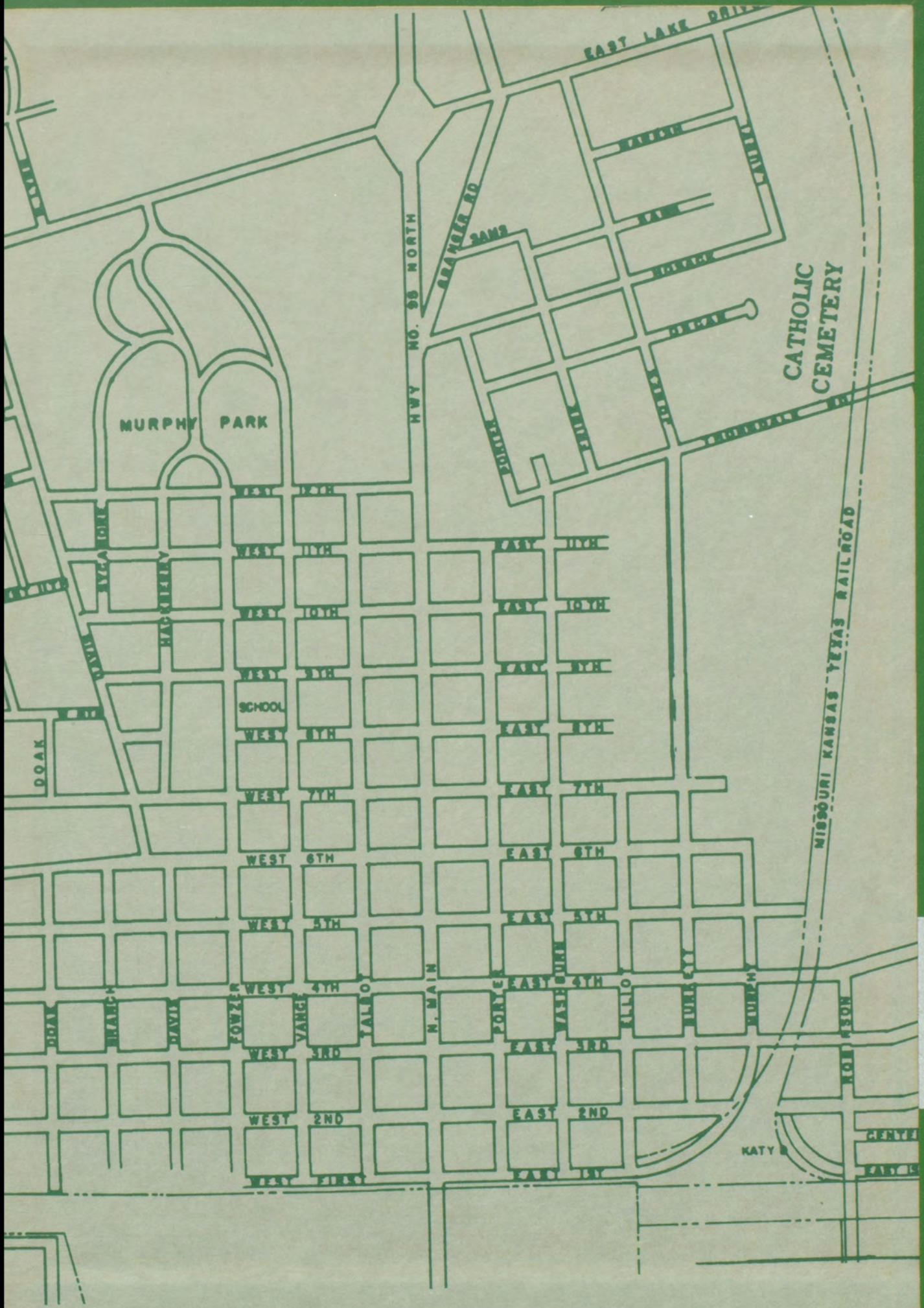
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