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Learning was the original purpose. Spending over 4320 hours in the classroom alone it was clear that we were learning more than academics. Our education was not comprised of mere facts; they were lessons about living.

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The good times were what we seem to remember most clearly. From sports to student life, they made our days more exciting. Besides adding spice to our life, good times allowed us to spend time with our favorite people.

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Sharing was what friendship was all about. The people we knew made this period in our lives more special. Whether the faces were old or new, they expressed the same emotion; anticipation, of the year and its new beginning.



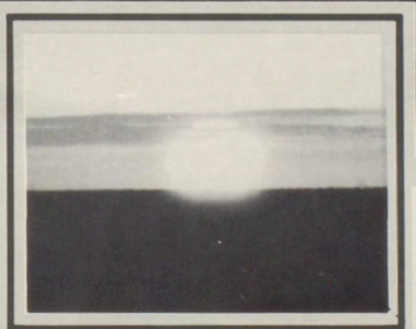




Looking over specifications, C. W. Ford instructs Joe Watson and Eugene Zachary in building trades. **Rainbow** and organ take to the field as the band plays "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" for the Georgetown half-time show. **Conversation** makes up a large portion of any friendship. Cynthia Druesdow, Annett Calder and Brenda Shear talk outside.

'As the Sun Rose on August 25, 1980, 703 Students and 61 Teachers and Administrators Awoke to Face a Year of New Beginnings'.









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A New Beginning Brought a Mixed Blessing

Apathy or Enthusiasm?

What is it that makes one year more different than another? Some school years carry on established values and seem to be a mere continuation of the year gone before. While others defy tradition and routines and name their own starting point. Such a year was 1981 and with it came the mixed blessing of starting over.

The year was in no way an extension of what had come before. The changes that took place were met with typical reactions. As could be expected, the first reaction was one of resistance to a changing environment. Juniors and Seniors had spent two to three years becoming accustomed to the traditions of THS. They had come to expect what these traditions delegated and could not help feeling that some how they had been cheated. As if to say, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks", many students let their frustrations turn into apathy.



But there were those who saw danger in the student body's lack of involvement. Determined to make the best of the situation, a few students took it upon themselves to raise the spirits of their fellow classmates. Groups like the JV football team, who made up cheers for the pep rallies, and the Hi-Steppers who gave each football player his own "secret stepper", began to find common ground in being a duck.

As homecoming approached an air of enthusiasm which had once seemed impossible, began to muster. Many had realized that life at THS was never going to be the same again. There was no way to bring back their friends who had graduated or their favorite teachers and sponsors who had moved away. Juniors and Seniors accepted the new beginning and found friends among the Sophomores and Freshmen. And through these new relationships they rediscovered the sense of pride that Taylor High School brought to each of its own.





Wearily, Laurie Preuss awaits the end of band class. **"We are number one!"**, chants a group of spectators at the last pep rally.

"Starting over was hard, but a sense of pride made it easier."



Duck skits were typical at pep rallies, as demonstrated here by cheerleaders Missy Little and Johanna Leshikar. **Riding a donkey,** Donna Kaspar plays in the tennis fundraiser.

"As old traditions died, new ones rose to take their place."





Fire trucks were in front of the building early in the year during a false alarm. **Hearing tests** are administered to Ernest Torres.



Eleven Teachers Join the Faculty
Clubs Welcome New Sponsors

A decade after its construction, the building was the only thing in our school which remained the same. The profusion of changes in our school was the main cause of the new beginning. After losing more than a third of its faculty in 1980, every department welcomed new instructors. New teachers meant new club sponsors. The Spanish Club, the Band and the Mallard staff, to name a few, received new sponsors.

Yet, new teachers were only a small part of changes. The main instigator was the death of many long honored traditions. Latin Club, the organization probably most built around tradition became defunct due to lack of interest. A homecoming assembly was replaced by a parade and class floats were made instead of class signs. A new exemption policy was adopted which allowed students to be exempt from final exams with a C average and no absences. "Pink Slips" came into use and were given by teachers to assign disciplinary action.



Still more change lie in habits of the students. For most students, lunch routines had been altered in some way. Federal law ruled that candy and soft drinks could not be sold at lunch. Timers were placed on vending machines to enforce that law. Because of Mrs. Brunken's retirement, the cafeteria received a new dietitian, Diane Reineke, who gave students a choice of three to five items on lunches. Those who did not eat in the cafeteria were able to walk across the street and eat in the delicatessen at Safeway or the snack bar at Wal-Mart.

Where tradition fell prey to the new beginnings, the student body found new ones to replace them. Luckily the students adapted, with a little difficulty, to the new beginnings in their lives.

Looking for their names on an exemption list are Reggie Hill and Mike Dlugos.
Waiting in the cafeteria line a group of students await eating lunch.

Price Wars Threaten Hometown Merchants

New Businesses Come to Town

People watched with concern as Taylor's downtown area began to lose merchant after merchant. When the Ira A. Prewitt hardware store, Taylor's oldest operating hardware store announced that they were going out of business, it seemed as though the town's commerce was meeting with disaster. But this was not true. In fact, Taylor's trade was expanding and the Chamber of Commerce announced that tax revenues were on a steady upward incline. The new businesses which opened all over Taylor were signs that Taylor's economy was very strong. Four shops opened in Taylor Plaza, an electronics plant began production and a national frame factory chose Taylor as the location for their new factory. But the most assuring sign of our town's stability was the healthy competition between Wal-Mart and TG & Y. In fitful price war battles each slashed prices refusing to be "undersold".



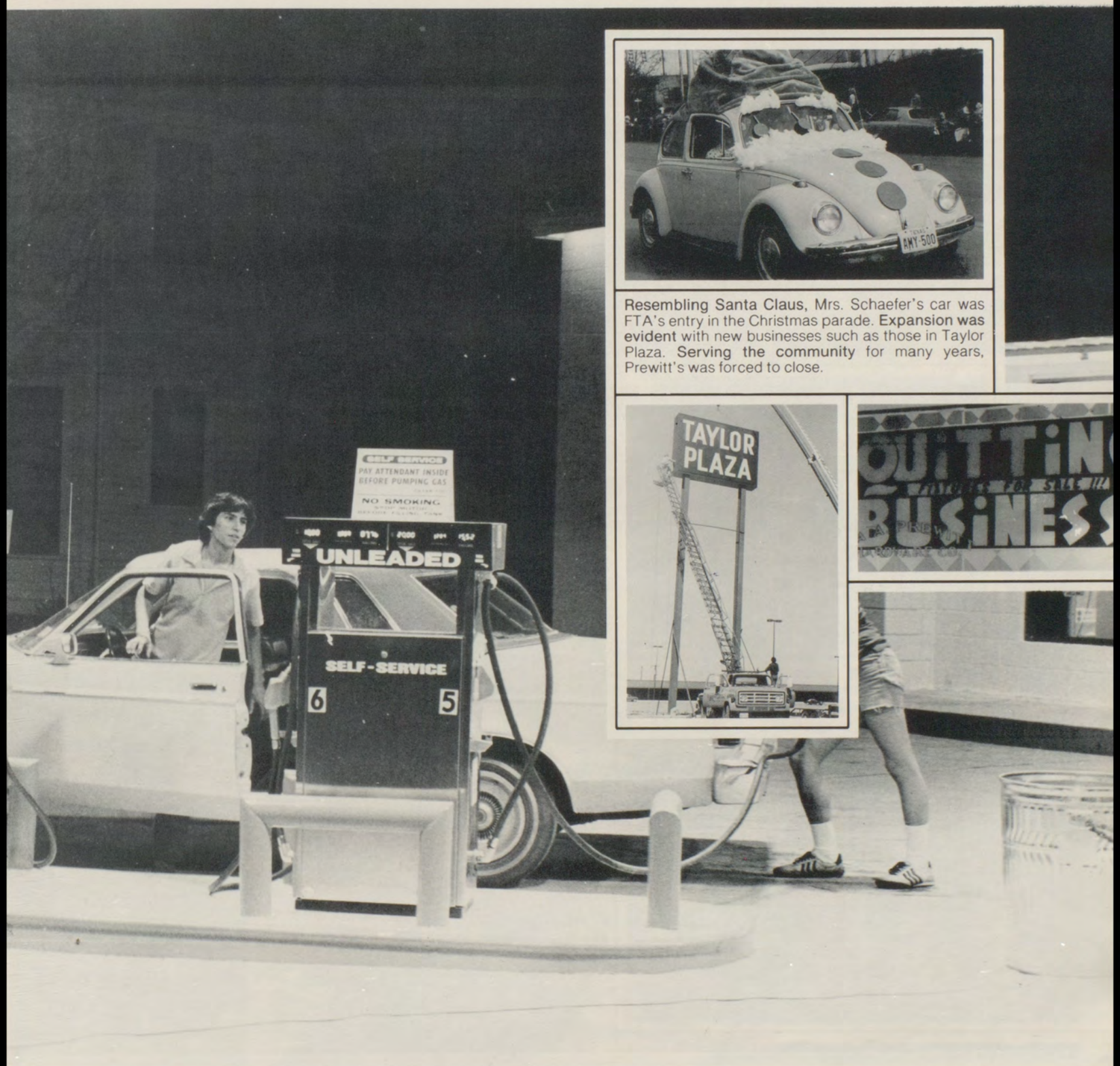
Yet this trend toward new businesses showed a definite attitude change in the consumers of Taylor. They seemed no longer to appreciate the old-fashioned approach which hometown businesses took pride in. Many citizens realized and feared that Taylor might lose its downtown area. In an attempt to drum up business, downtown merchants offered free parking and sponsored a Christmas parade. They were determined not to let the charm of Taylor's downtown area become extinct.

The community we lived in echoed the changes which were taking place in our school and with our attitudes. Taylor seemed to be losing much of its tradition through the trend toward new businesses. And these new businesses represented just another new beginning.



Grand opening signs adorned the newly opened Beverage Barn. **Pumping gas** at the new Phillips 66 station are Mike Gomez and Hector Trevinio

"Shoppers went to the lowest bidder!"



Resembling Santa Claus, Mrs. Schaefer's car was FTA's entry in the Christmas parade. **Expansion was evident** with new businesses such as those in Taylor Plaza. **Serving the community** for many years, Prewitt's was forced to close.

"Reagan is president, the hostages are back, America is searching for some stability."



Ribbons around trees demonstrated our nations support for the 52 hostages. "**Reagan for Shah,**" symbolizes how Linda Brown feels about Reagan.





The '80s Came in Like a Lion

In a Turbulant World

The influence of world events on our daily lives became increasingly obvious as the new decade started rolling. The Iranian crisis was on everyone's mind. A serious afront to our national dignity, it was an international crisis that lacked any resolution for almost a year. Russia had occupied Afghanistan for 10 months and there were few people who did not begin to wonder if major political action might be taken.

But if things seemed dismal abroad, they were even worse here at home. Unemployment was up and there was literally no one in our country who was not shaken by soaring inflation. Much of the high inflation rate was caused by limited energy sources. When the newspapers read of elderly freezing to death in their homes because they could not afford heating, America's standard of living had hit an all time low. Citizens were fed-up with government bureacy which only added to inflation. Something had to give. We had to go back and sort through our economic and political philosophy. Our nation ached for a change and a chance to start over.



The November election gave such a chance. Our nation's state was debated openly among the candidates. Some criticized Carter as being too soft and lacking leadership, while others warned of how Reagan's strong militaristic policies promoted war. When the ballots were counted, it was Reagan's conservatism which had won. This choice said something about America. Our nation was searching for some stability in a turbulant world. The hostages were free and Reagan was in office. We were ready for the new beginning that faced our nation in the decade ahead.

On the blackboard, Mrs. Clark writes a quote from "Strawberry Fields," to express sorrow for John Lennon's assasination.
Voting in a mock election, Jan Tate votes for President.

Textbooks and Teachers

Bring Change





To most students, it did not seem possible for classes to change the same routine flavor that they had always had. But from the first day they proved to be a new experience. New teachers could not help but make a difference. With their arrival they brought new attitudes and fresh ideas. The adoption of different textbooks in the English department had an impact on our school's curriculum too. A textbook committee in the State Legislature had chosen to ban certain short stories and poems from the public school book list. One of these stories was "The Lottery", which was banned due to the violence it portrayed.

New teachers and textbooks were just a start of new beginnings which faced students. And they taught important lessons — that change was an inevitable part of our education.



Examining with a magnifying glass Brenda Urbanek and Donna Kaspar study an old field. **Demonstrating** the dangers of acid, Mr. Albert lectures his physical science class.

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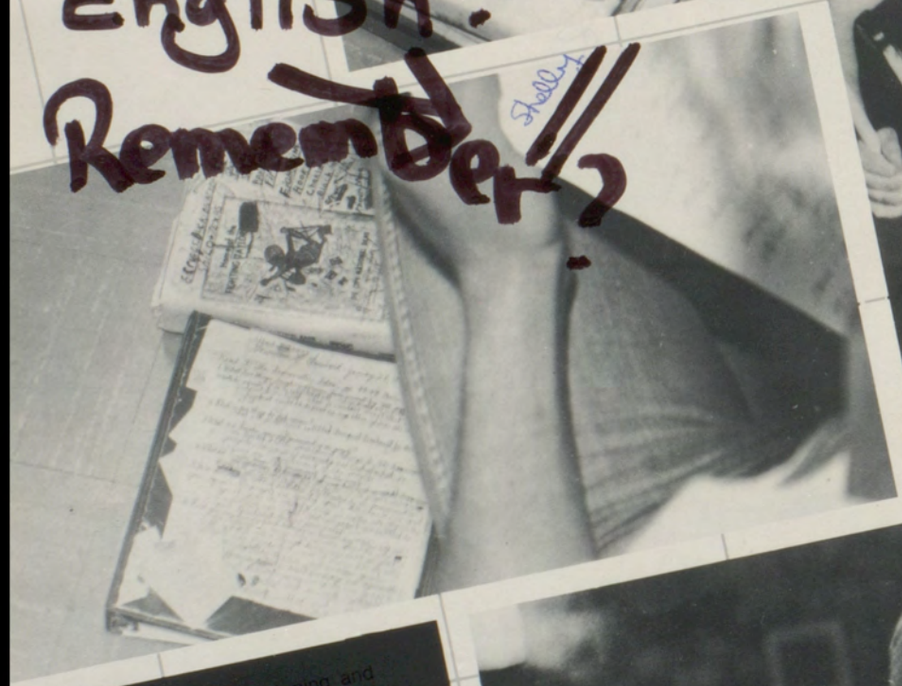




Sleeping in class, like skipping and cheating was a forbidden act. Jackie Sherek is caught in the act of sleeping in her English Class.
Playing pool and riding around is what Trevor Sladek did on those few days he admittedly skipped school.
Drinking and relaxing is what Brian Patschke did on those he claimed to have skipped class.
Book covers made an excellent place to write cheat notes such as algebraic or geometric equations.
See-through note books also proved to be a common hiding place for cheat notes.



Breaking the Rules

Going Against the Grain

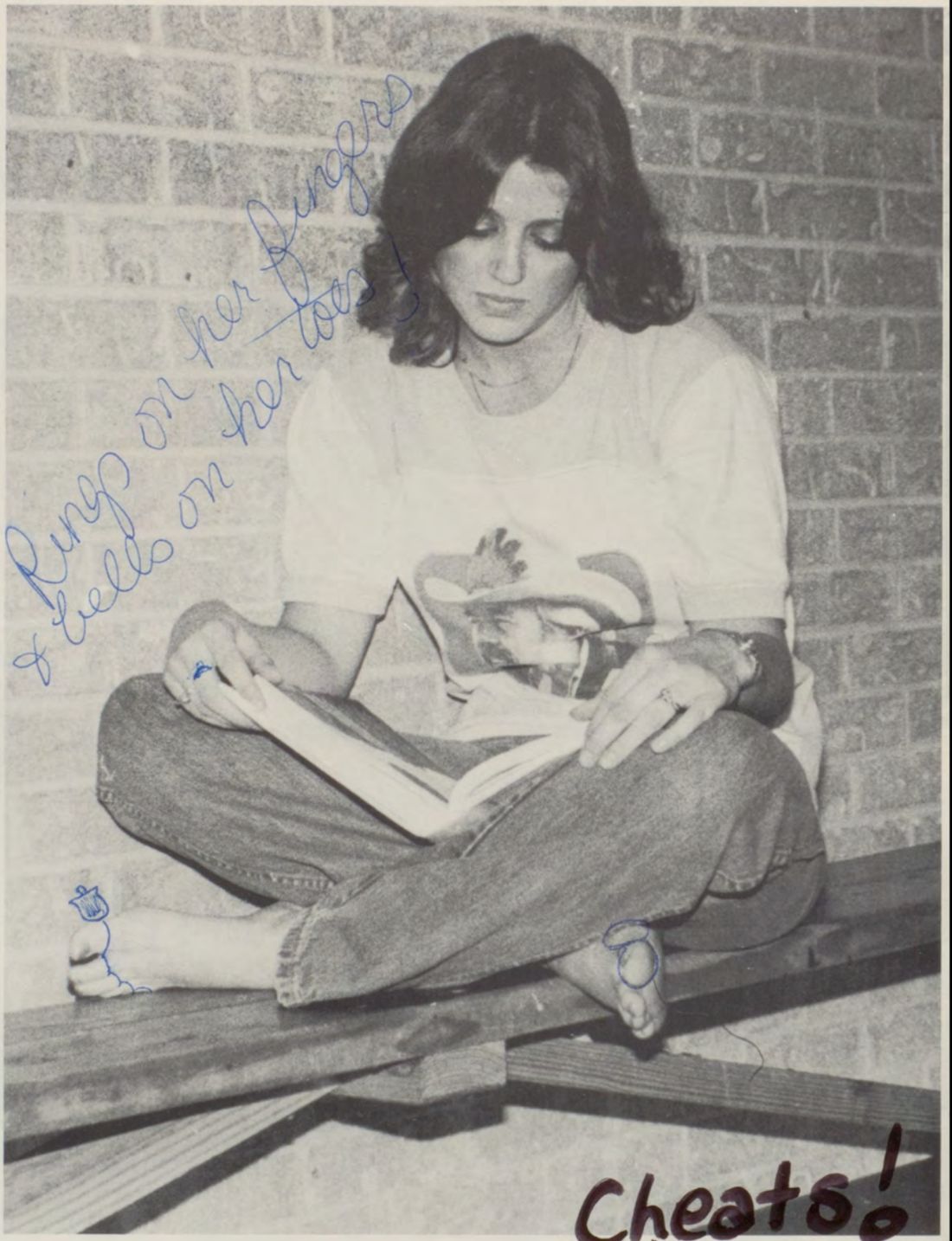
By Marc Brown

The rules governing our school behavior at times seemed impossible to obey. If we took the chance to break the rules we had to be prepared to face the consequences.

Skipping was a difficult temptation to overcome. There was always the prospect of staying in bed, going to Austin, and in the spring months, going to the lakes or to the river. The penality imposed for skipping was three days detention hall or three licks for each day skipped.

Cheating was another daily temptation. The ease of copying a neighbors answers, or making a set of cheat-notes, made cheating a difficult situation to handle. The penalty for cheating was a zero on the paper combined with whatever other disciplinary action the teacher deemed necessary.

To successfully go against the grain of school rules by skipping or cheating could mean an easy high school career. However, to get caught in these acts meant strict punishment combined with feelings of shame and guilt.



▲ Photo by Stella Flores

Barefoot is better. Getting comfortable was of upmost importance when studying. Sharon Marburger finds that taking off her shoes stimulated her ability to study world history.



"There are so many things that I'd rather do that it is hard to find time to study. But it is essential. So I make time."

Richard Torres

Everybody Studies

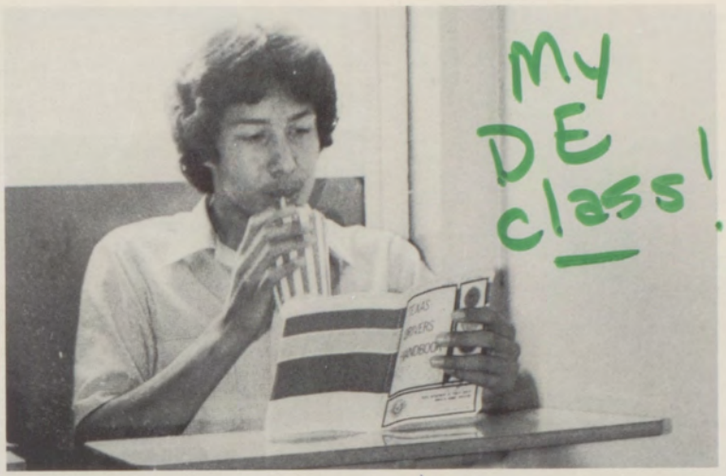
No Matter How Much or How Little

Some people would argue whether studying is an essential part of the learning process. But one thing was for sure, when it came to actually sitting down and studying, there was always something better to do. And even the busiest students some how found time.

For many finding time was no easy task. Extracurricular activities or part time jobs could last until late at night. This caused many students to read at work or stay up well past midnight after a tiring practice to writing an English essay due the next day.

Students with ample free time didn't find studying an easy task eigher. The television seemed to always be luring us away from our studies. The prospect of weekend activities left homework until late Sunday night. When assignments were completed at home, they were done at places ranging from bedrooms to bathtubs. Enumerous facilities at school including offices, restrooms and the library were utilized as study halls. Though some debated on whtether or not to study, most wondered about when, where or how they would find time to study.







Many times finding a few moments to study wasn't easy. In the counselor's office, Jackie Chalupa finishes her algebra homework for the next period. ***In driver's ed,*** Hector Garcia looks over his handbook before the afternoon class starts. ***Finding out what's on the test,*** Edward Carmona quizzes Jewel Hartley and Julie Johnson in the hallway.





Waiting for her ride, Lisa Morales glances over the next chapter in her plane geometry book. ***Being a library aide*** often gave Becky Flores a few spare moments to study. Here she skims over her reading assignment.



▲photo by Stella Flores

Looking through the wide variety of books in the library, Vicki Safarik gets the information she needs for an English I book report.



"The trial made class seem interesting for a change. It gave us a chance to express our feelings about the case. It was fun and I really learned something from it. I think that learning should be fun.

Renita Patterson

Learning to Make Decisions

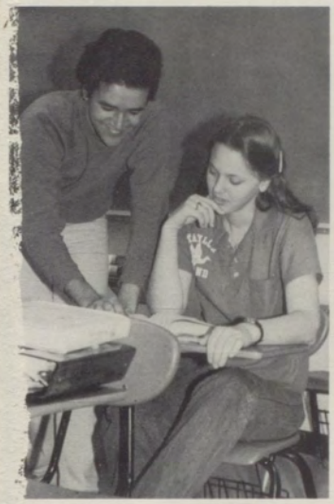
Mrs. Turner helped to nulify the misconception that English class solely involves reading, writing and spelling. Her junior English class acted out a trial based on a book in which they read called *The Oxbow Incident.* Students participating in this mock trial were required to use logic and deductive reasoning.

We are constantly confronted with situations that involve making important decisions. Making those decisions isn't always easy. Learning to think and make decisions is an important part of English class.

With the help of our English teachers we were able to broaden our thinking capacities to people and things beyond our own environment. While freshman English students were reading "Romeo and Juliet," sophomores were reading novels like *A Separate Peace* by John Knowles. Junior English students were indulging in more complex activities such as writing research papers. Seniors had a wider variety of English classes to choose from. Business English was offered to seniors who were interested in pursuing a career in the business world.









The library is frequently occupied by Business English students. Ronnie Wilson and Albert Gutierrez listen for instructions as they do research. **Discussing** Hamlet are senior Project Go students Brian Davis and Kathleen Hannan. **Listening attentively** is Rebecca Strnad. Clyde Cannon leans forward to show Rebecca what he finds so amusing during junior Project Go. **Finding out what's new,** Greg Matuke does research on current events in Business English by looking in the newspaper for information.





Making a speech? No. Senior English student Mark Balduff is simply looking up a word in the dictionary. **Playing Scrabble** is one of the fun and exciting learning experiences that Eddie Tealer and Brian Broadnax enjoy during their freshman English class.



Conducting interviews often meant going out of doors to find your subject. *Cotton Boll* editor, Mark Urbanek conducts an interview on a farm near Newbourne.



"The main reason that I'm taking journalism is for a change from the usual classroom situation. We get out and do interesting things like reporting news stories."
Lynn Fischer.

Expecting the Unexpected

Upon entering the journalism room on that, the first day of school, we did not really know quite what to expect. We thought that we would be writing and reporting but were not really sure what we would be doing. We did know that it would be one of the most unique classes we would be taking during our high school career.

At first we sat and learned. Lessons on basic news writing, interviewing, reporting and photography filled up the bulk of the class time in the first six weeks. After learning how a news reporter should operate we left the classroom and tried to broaden our scope of knowledge by reporting. Our first assignments being simply to report an interesting school news story. Eventually the assignments became more involved. Finally some of us made our ultimate goal for Journalism I, we had our 25 inches of copy printed in the *Cotton Boll*." We were reporters in the official sense of the word.

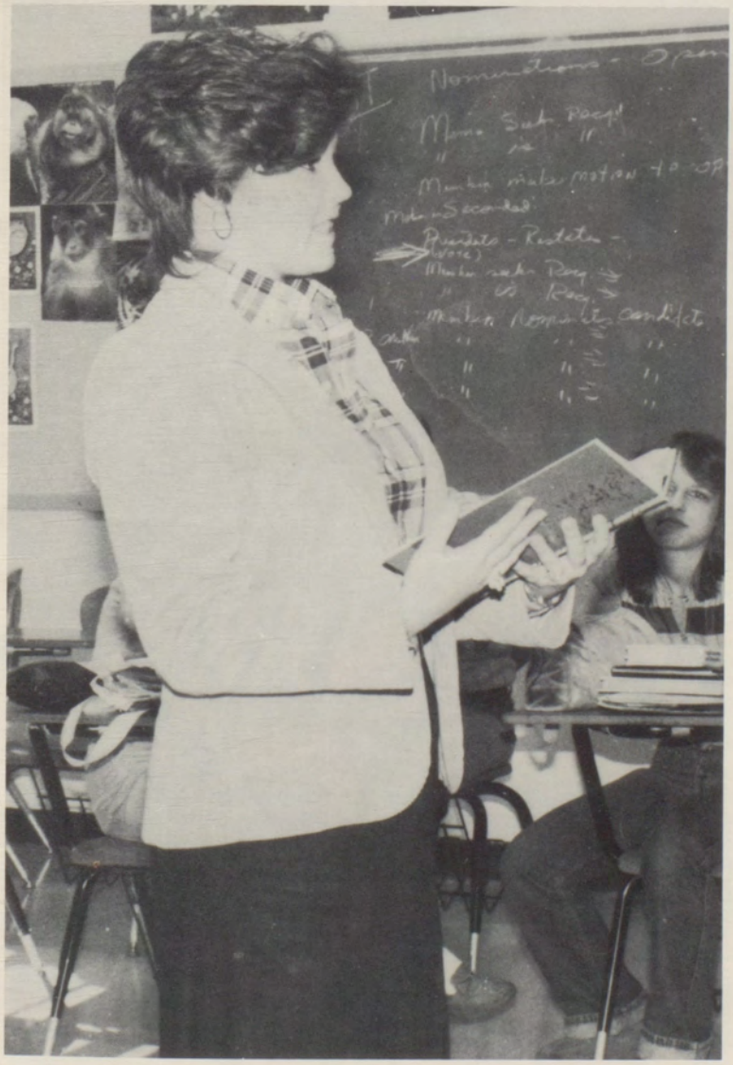
Other unique communications courses included Journalism M, for the yearbook staff and speech for those interested in public speaking.







Being involved in journalism entailed various duties. **Layout out** pages for the Cotton Boll is Michelle Brueckner. **Examining her negative** file, Stella Flores looks for basketball shots. Trying to fit her copy, [redacted] counts the number of characters in her *Mallard* cutlines.





Lecturing David Kyser's sixty period speech on parliamentary procedure is Southwestern student teacher Hope Phillips. **Presenting her assigned speech,** Kim Fielder speaks on Texas heroes.



▲Photo by Mike Gomez

Developing our talents to the fullest extent was stressed in our fine arts classes. Michelle Schultz develops her talents in choir.



"I enjoy playing my horn because I can express myself through my music. In English, we learn to express our feelings in words but I can sometimes express myself better through music."

Cynthia De La Rosa

Expressing Ourselves in a Different Way

While some of us felt that our daily routines were a bit monotonous, others of us found that because we were taking one of the fine arts classes, we never encountered a dull moment.

In choir, band and Hi-Steppers, we worked with music. We learned a new way of expressing ourselves and communicating with others. These classes also gave us a change from our regular academic courses. We were able to express ourselves in a way that was different. In other classes, we expressed ourselves through words, verbally and on paper. In these music related courses, we were able to communicate our feelings through music.

These classes also gave us a change from the routineness of our other classes. We did not have to study grammar or memorize dates, tables, or rules. We were able to learn more about something we enjoyed. We learned to play or perform to music. We could put our feelings into our music and express ourselves in a way that not only pleased, but also impressed our audiences. We were expressing ourselves in a new and different way.





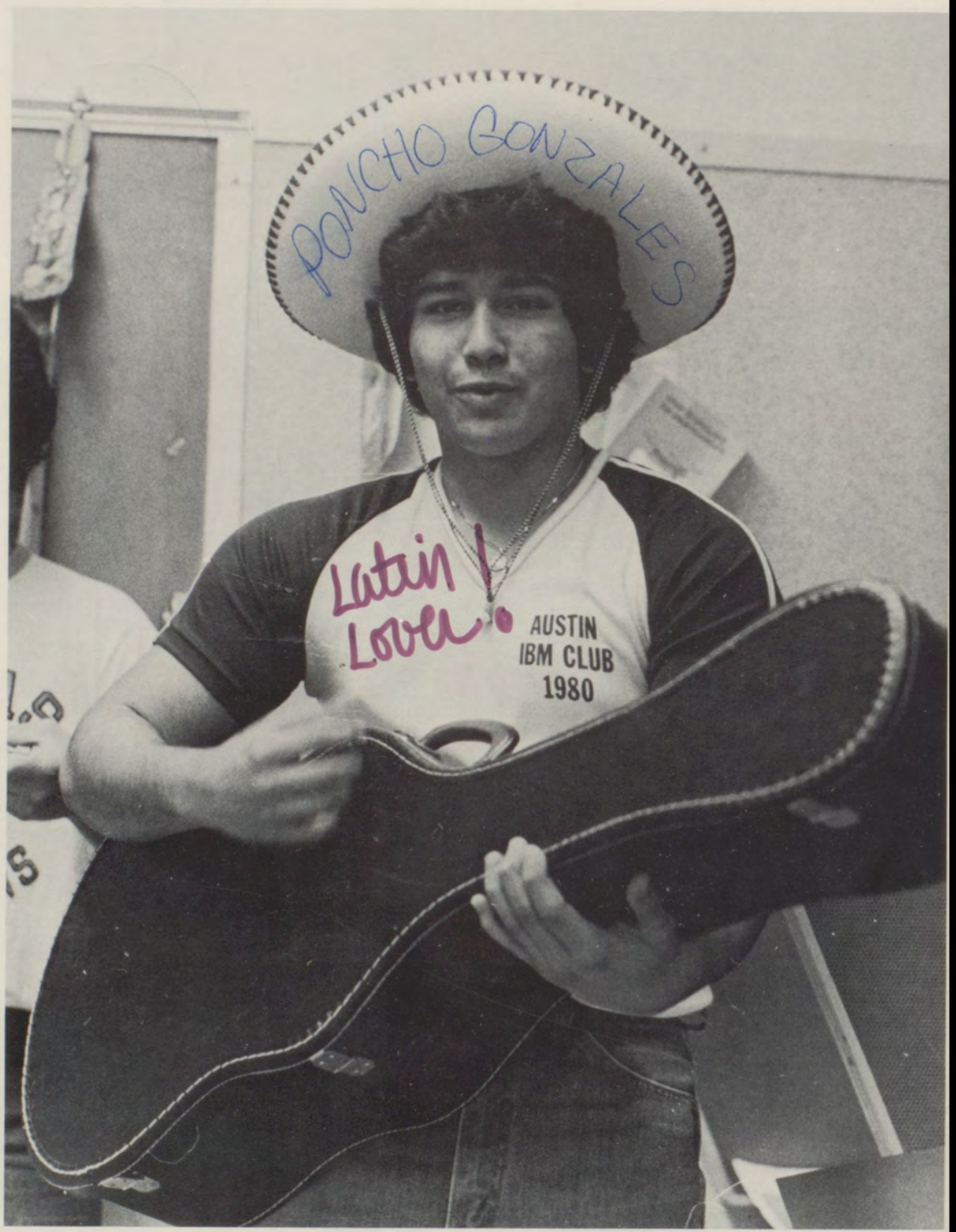


Gaining the right, blend required the efforts of everyone. Darla Baldwin, Stephen Gonzales, Michelle Schultz, Janine Schultz, Penny Bachmeyer and Cheryl Wade work to gain a better sound for contest. **Extra effort** was put forth by some band students. Rebecca Strnad prepares herself for solo and ensemble contest. **Listening to other** was important in getting the right balance in sound. Lupe Gamez, Teresa Garcia and Sharon Jaecks blend with the rest of the band while working on sight-reading.





Weekly challenges required that band students practice their music individually. Dudley Yeoman works on his music for the weekly try-outs. **Kicking, smiling** and keeping toes pointed, Sylvia Sandavol, Regina Perez, Debbie Thompson and Joy Harris work on perfecting a routine for performance.



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Strumming a guitar case seems a bit unusual, but Jesse Ancira uses his imagination as he does his famous impression of Pancho Villa for his Spanish II class.



"I guess you could call it a change of pace. It wasn't like any other class. I had to do almost everything on my own, but Mr. Crow was always there when I needed help. Where there's a will, there's a way

Karen Shamard

Foreign Language Offered

A Change

Karen Shamard was the number one student in her Latin II class. Aside from being the number one student, Karen was also the only student. She took Latin II in the same classroom and during the same period as other students who took Latin I. With strong determination, Karen overlooked this slight obstacle and completed Latin II successfully.

Most foreign language students agreed that they didn't have to be in Karen's shoes to know that taking a foreign language requires self-discipline in order to be successful. Spanish as well as Latin was popular to many students because it was an entrance requirement for some colleges. Spanish I students learned basic grammar which included spelling, conjugation, pronounciation and reading. Spanish II students directed their studies toward literature, composition and conversation. Latin I, like Spanish I involved learning the basics and Latin II was a more advanced part of Latin I. These foreign languages offered a welcomed change that helped to prepare students for college.

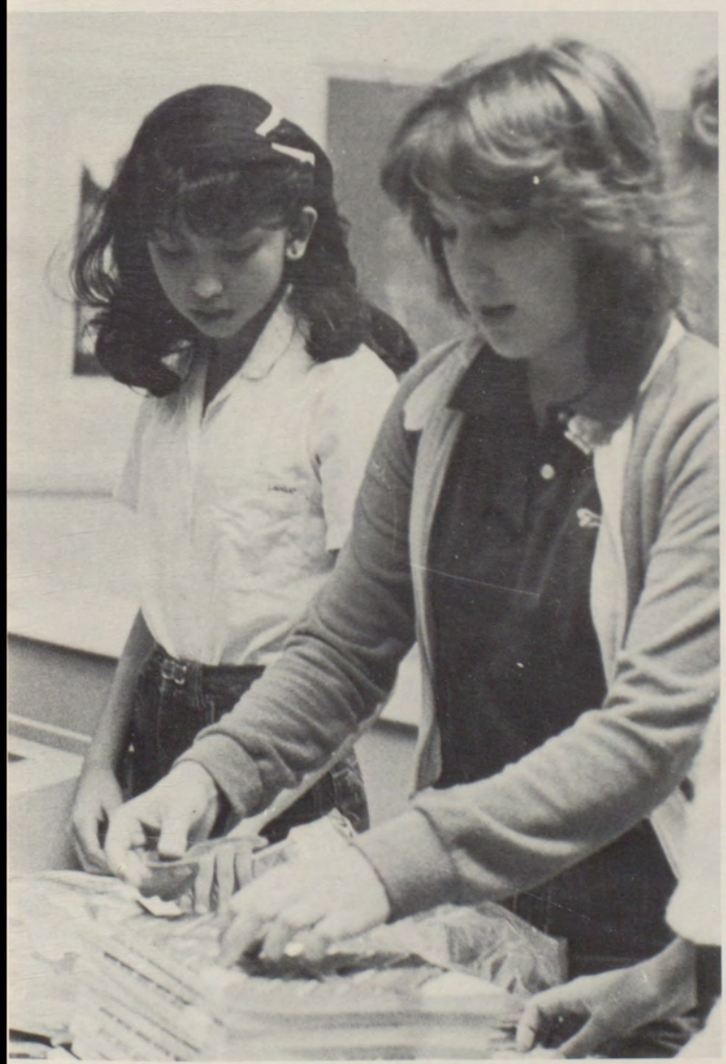








Reading over a Latin I assignment is sophomore Eddie Griffith. **Selecting the right one,** Malcolm Randig makes sure he has a good pencil to start his Latin I assignment. **Speaking to her fellow classmates,** Monica Dykowski translates Latin during her Latin I class. **Studying her notes** before a quiz is Latin I student Paula Rankin.





Arranging the letters for the Spanish "Ojos de Dios" display are Tina Guajardo and Sheila Srnensky. **Writing and reading** are Spanish II students Charlotte Sanders and Ely Dlugos. Charlotte works on an assignment while Ely reads a book after completing her assignment.



▲Photo by Mike Gomez

Relations between students and teachers are important in every class. During his class on Black Cultures, Chris Smith receives some helpful history information from Mrs. Frost.



"I really liked government because I got to study what was going on now. Instead of always studying the past, we got to find out what our government is like now."

Becky Pool

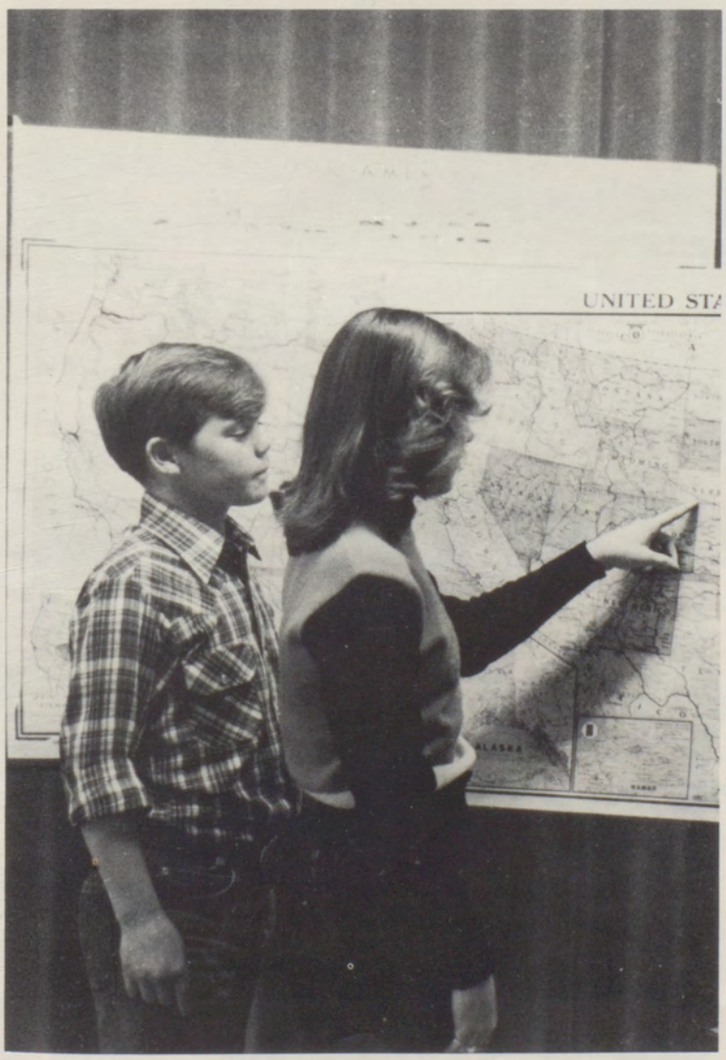
Studying the Past And Now

Although knowing about the past is important, we also experienced today's world in our studies. After learning the basics of the formation of our country and its government and the beginnings of the constituion and our basic rights, we looked beyond the past and the basic structure of our nation's government. We debated on issues of importance to our society today and learned to examine all sides of an issue before stating our opinion. We examined the job of the President. We also held our own mock Presidential election and interestingly enough, President Carter won by an overwhelming majority. In addition to holding our own debates in which we studied the facts and issues, the local Student Government Day was also held. Through this, many of us got an inside view of the way in which our city government works.

Finding out about what was happening today and how it was affecting us was what we were really interested in. Government class gave us the opportunity to study and learn to deal with what was really important in our world.

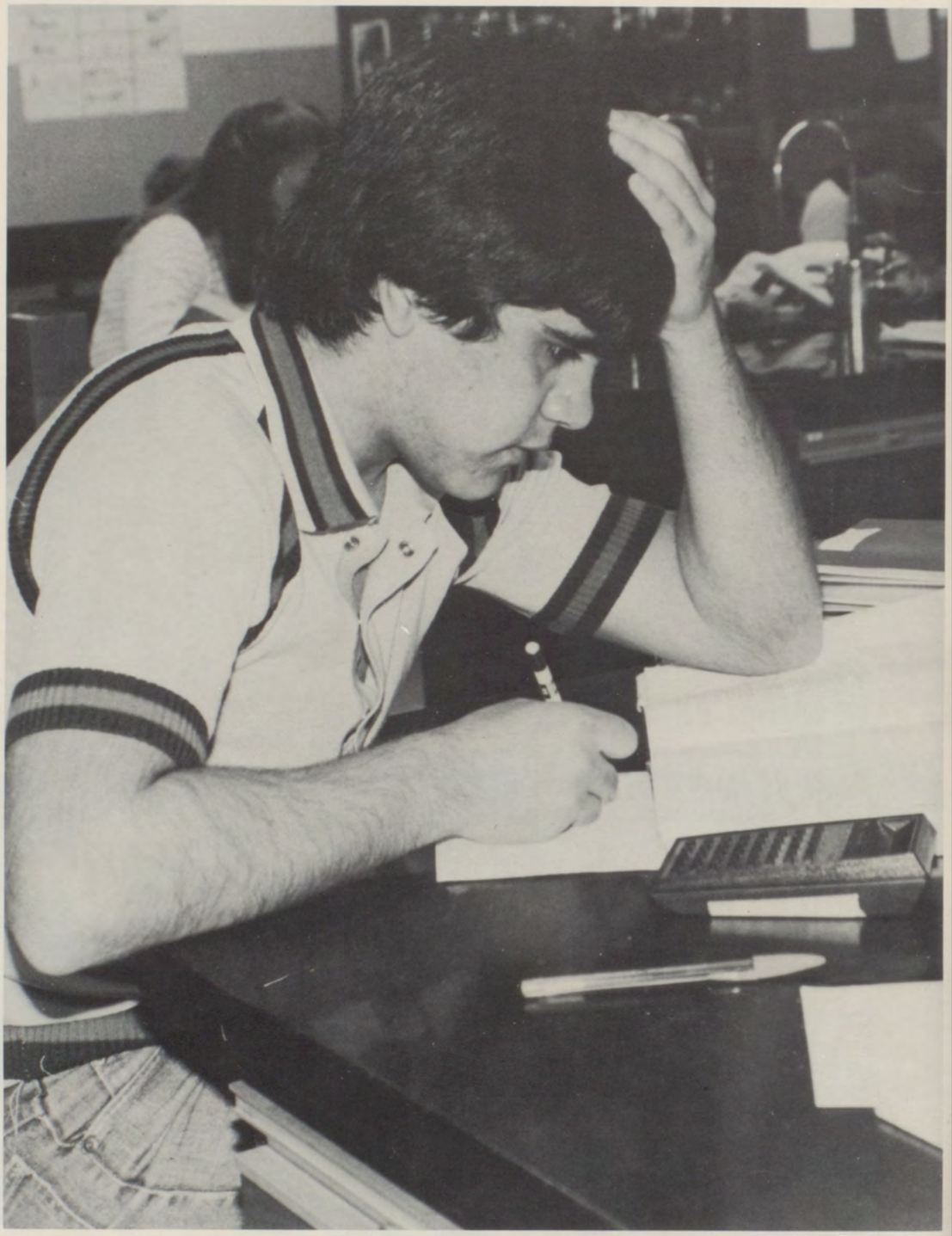


Experiencing the real duties of our government officials, some students participated in Student Government Day. Mike Pille, Melanie Sadewitz, Mark Balduff, Ronnie McAdams, Kim Poldrack and Terry Richter listen to instructions on their responsibilities.





Locating different points on the map was useful to American History students. Dudley Yeoman and Vickie Safarik point out one location. **Taking notes** was an important part of World History. David Gomez reviews his notes for an upcoming major test.



Dealing with physics problems often required the aid of a calculator. Arturo Carrasco struggles with a problem involving heat transfer.



"What I really enjoy most about advanced science is that I can study more about what I am most interested in. I have freedom to study the parts of science that really interest me."

Brian Davis

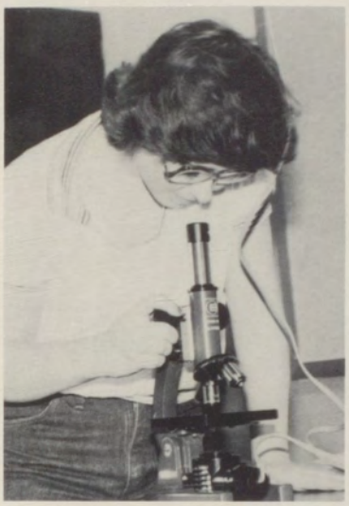
▲Photo by Stella Flores

Opening New Doors With Freedom!

Freedom was something that we did not experience much in our classes. Most science classes were based on labs, memorization of elements and working problems. Although this was the case in most classes, advanced science took on a different pace. This class served as a college preparatory class. Other science classes confined us to the basics. Physical science taught us the basic laws of motion, biology gave us the basics of lab work, chemistry stressed the importance of the Periodic Table and we began to work simple problems, and in physics, the problems became more difficult. After mastering the basics, we entered into advanced science and we were given the freedom to explore those areas of science that interested us most. We were able to experience a class that would prepare us for the science classes we would encounter in college. We did more difficult labs in which accuracy was stressed even more than it had been in the past. In advanced science, we further explored the scientific world, opened new doors and we did it with freedom.



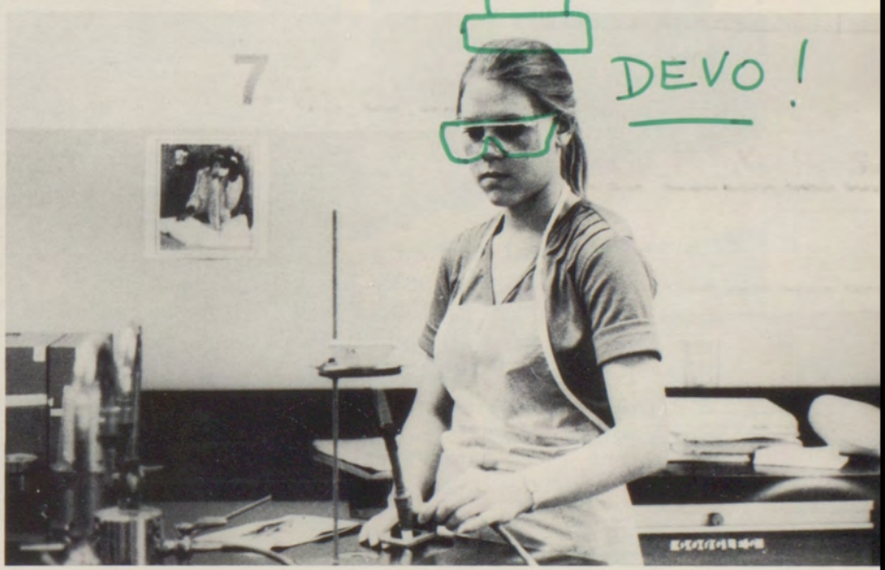




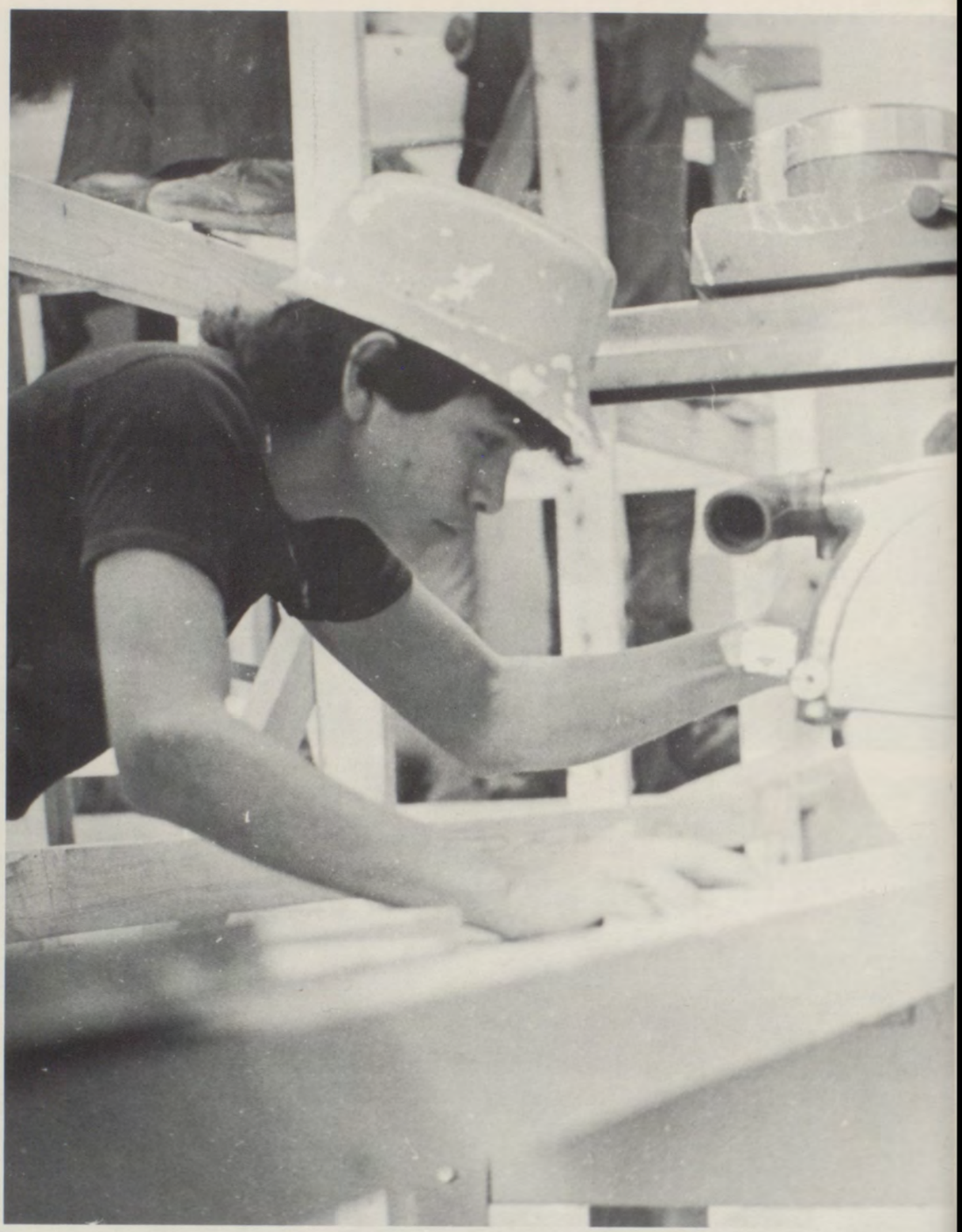


Working together helped us to develop our skills. Checking their memorization of the Periodic Table, Ely Dlugos and Kathleen Hannan drill each other in preparation for a test. **Chemistry students** also worked on labs. Tim Vanecek and James Marek measure out 5mm of acid to be used in their lab. **Heating water** with a kerosene burner, Mattie Deary and Chris Vanek encounter their first experience with lab work in physical science. **Microscopes became** familiar instruments to biology students. Sherri Maxwell focuses on the microscopic world to learn more about those things we cannot normally see without the aid of a microscope.





Pulling a string through a glass tube, Bryan Townsend prepares to begin his physics lab on centripetal force. **Looking through** a pair of goggles, Ellen Nelson improves her skills at lab work during advanced science.



Skillful eyes and steady hands are needed when machinery is used. Robert Pachicano demonstrates this as he carefully cuts a building stud with a table skilsaw.



"It feels sort of funny being in a class of mostly guys, but I feel that ag will help me a great deal after I graduate, since I am planning on becoming a veterinarian."

Delores Flores

Trying Out an Occupation

Preparation for post high school careers was the essential goal of Vo Ag and other vocational courses as well.

Vocational agriculture was not merely basic farm education. Although we did learn about tending to farm animals, seasonal planting and the proper operational procedures for some common farm machinery, we also learned some simple welding techniques and basic agricultural management for a large farm as well as a small family garden.

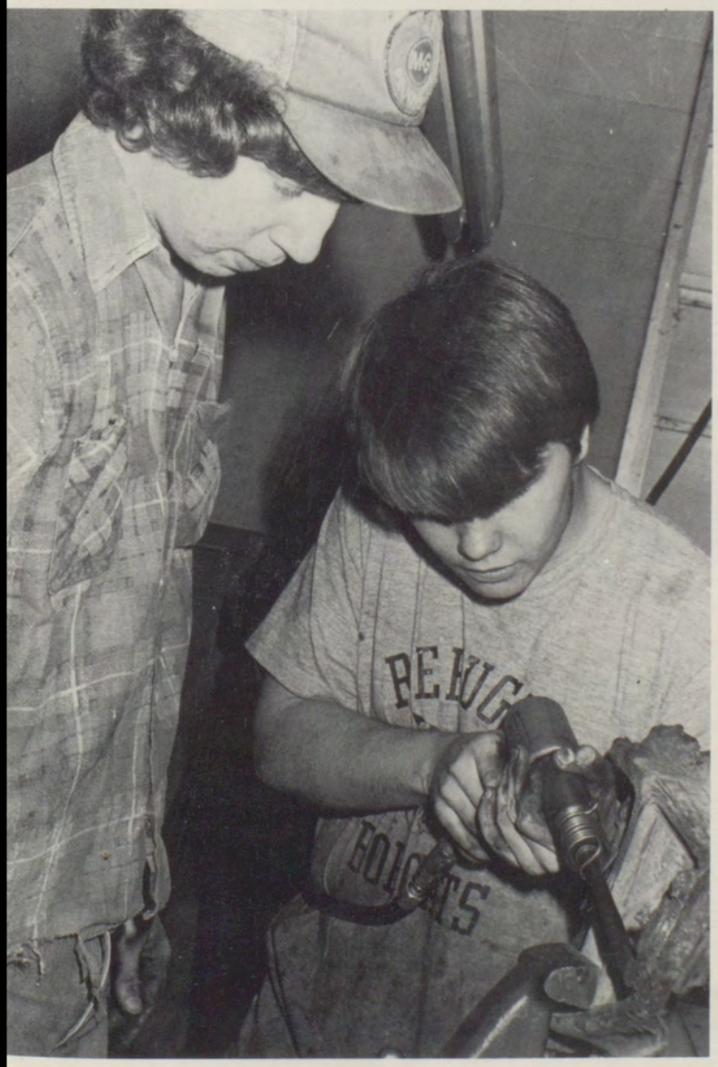
We could also opt to take other vocational courses such as those oriented towards the building profession. Building trades allowed us to build a home that would be sold to be lived in, while drafting taught us the basic steps in designing a home. Those of us interested in autos could enroll in auto mechanics. Various secretarial preparatory courses such as typing, VOE, bookkeeping and office equipment operations were also offered. For freshmen unsure of their career there was the state required occupational investigation class. Our vocational classes gave us first-hand career experience.





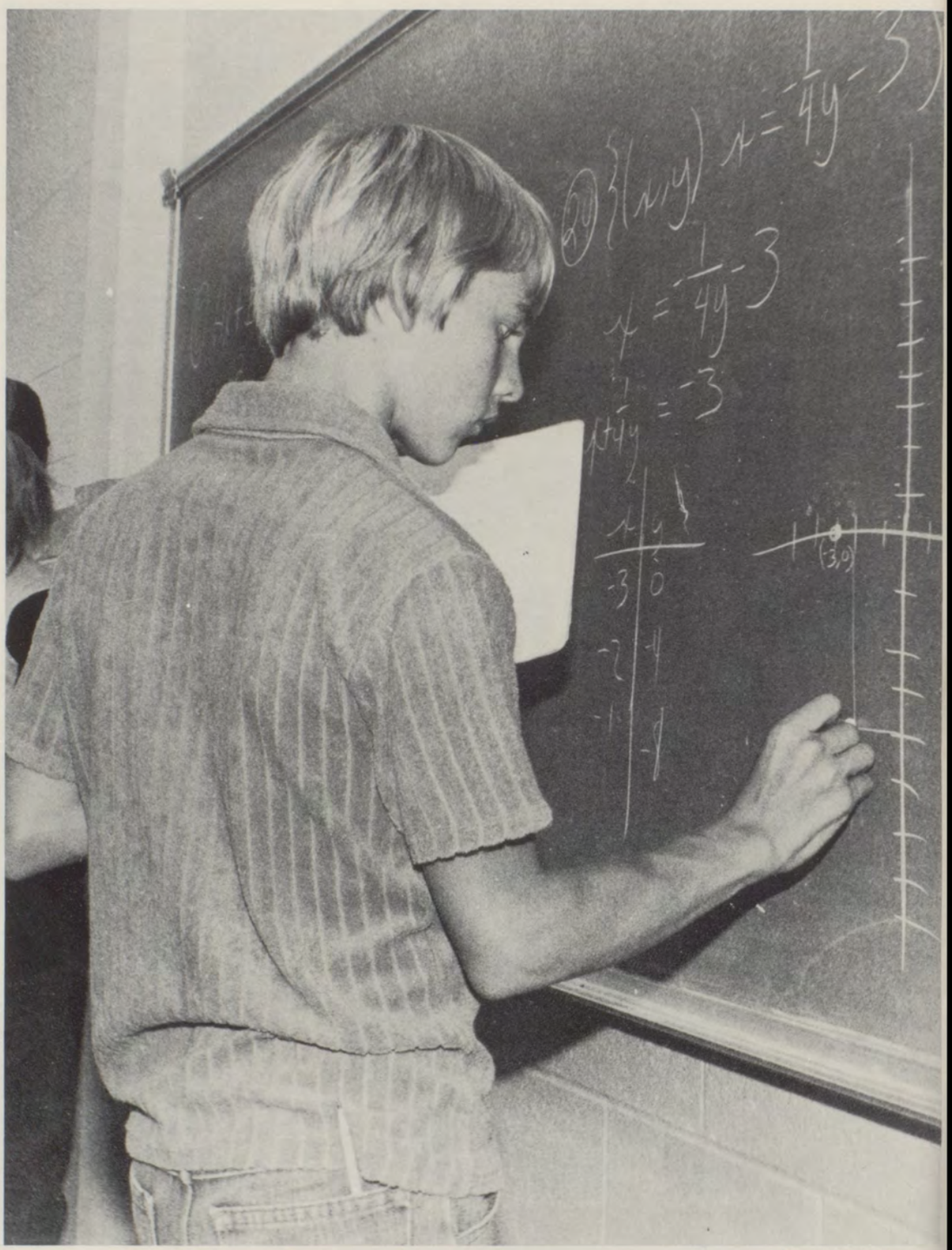


Some vocational courses were taught in classrooms. **Drafting** student Bruce Jensen designs the plans for a small storage shed. **Penny Payliska** finds class time ample to complete her short hand assignment. **VOE student** Lisa Ornales types her assigned job, a mock letter.





Many vocational classes provided special equipment for students. Ronald Siptak watches as Shell Hubbard places a steel rivet in an oil crankcase. **Joe Watson** works to position a framing brace.



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Plotting the designated point on the coordinate plane is junior Algebra II student Daved Pille.



"Nobody wants to sit at the first desk, but when you make the lowest grade on a major exam; that's where you sit. Sometimes it's embarrassing, especially when the others tease you, but you learn to adjust."

Rosie Gutierez

Nobody Wanted the First Desk

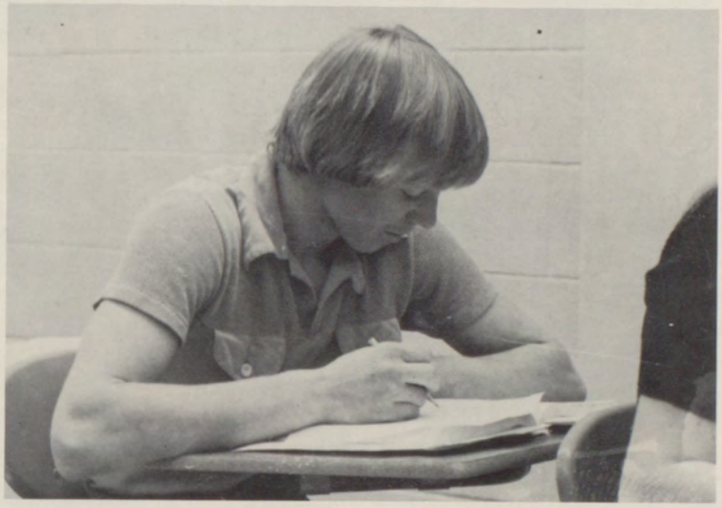
It was the day after a major test and Mr. Sherry entered the room in his usual cheerful manner. All eyes were nervously focused on him. Then he began. With test papers in hand, he called out the students' names in ascending order according to the test scores. The student with the lowest grade took the first desk and all the other desks were filled accordingly until the student with the highest grade proudly occupied the last desk. Mr. Sherry said that he used this seating arrangement because it motivated his students to try harder and those who weren't successful at taking tests would have a better chance if they were seated near the front.

Although students were required to take at least two years of math, they were fortunate enough to have many different math courses to choose from. The courses offered were Introductory Algebra I and II, Fundamentals of Math I and II, Algebra I and II, Drafting, MOCE, Trigonometry and Elementary Analysis for college-bound students.









Comparing answers, Karen Hollowell, Terance Jackson and Rueben Galvan try to finish their F.O.M. homework a few minutes before it is to be checked. **With pencil in hand** F.O.M. student Desmond Aldridge takes a pop test. **Looking down at her paper,** Jackie Walton finalizes answers before handing in her M.O.C.E. pop test. **Finishing homework** before the bell is to ring is Algebra II student Joey Susan.





Reaching for the top is plane geometry student Keith Blomquist. Keith completes the illustration for his proof. **Getting down to business,** Stephanie Kerlin concentrates on factoring quadratic equations during Algebra II class.



▲Photo by Marc Brown

Stretching her muscles, Detrit Sykes exercises during her girls PE class.



"Sure it is one of those required courses. But even though I have to take PE, I don't hate it. It gives me a chance to let off some steam and have a little fun while doing it."
Cheryl Jansky

Taking a Required Course and Liking it

This and similar sentiments were shared by most of us enrolled in a physical education class. Since the state requires a minimum of one and one half years of PE or an equivilant substitute, many of us made our daily treks to the gymnasium in order to partake in body building rituals of calasenics and small scale competitive sports. PE gave both we and our counterparts of the opposite sex a chance to play volleyball, basketball and softball through the year. In addition to the physical workouts, periodic written examinations were administered by coach Leon Nickerson. Coach Nickerson also gave a written final exam at the year's end.

While PE taught us firsthand about physical fitness, health, another state required course, taught us the necessity of proper nutrition, good personal hygiene as well as the importance of staying in shape. The single semester course also dealt with drugs, alcohol and lifesaving first aid techniques.

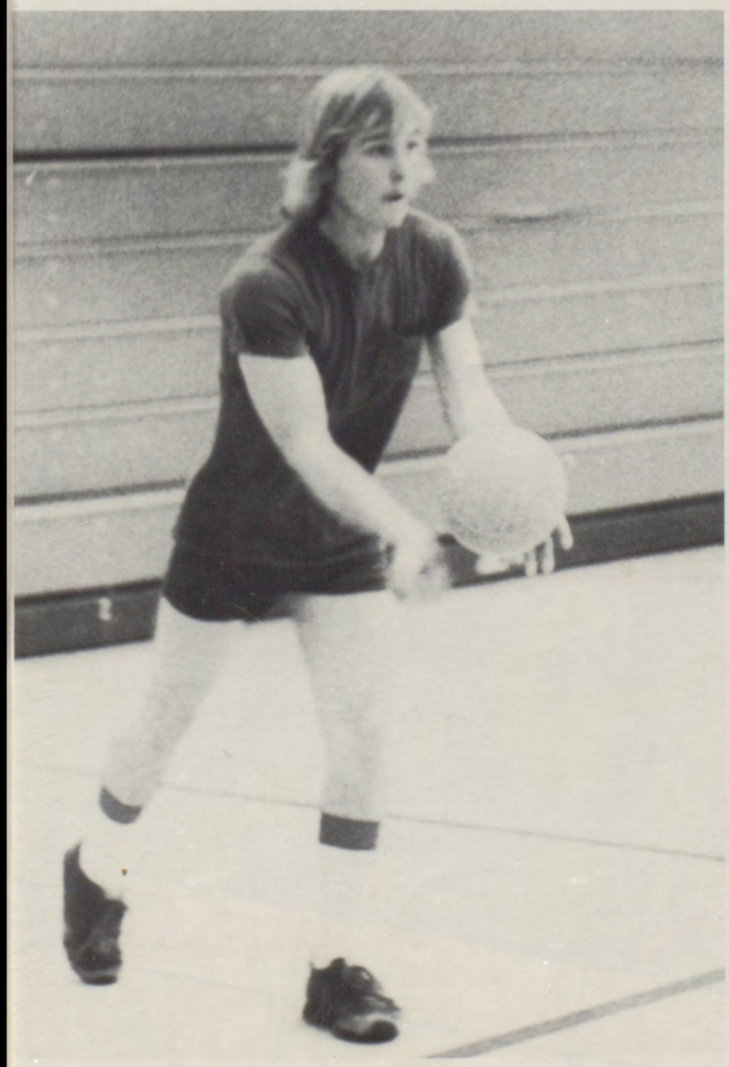
Though we were literally forced to take these courses, most of us found them tolerable if not enjoyable.







Resource room provided special help for students in many ways. **Adaptive PE specialist,** Karl Scholl helps Steve Tucek with his physical therapy. **Patricia Deary** concentrates on a question on the chalk board. **Pablo Vasquez receives** a little help from Ms. Socorro De Larosa with his multiplication homework assignments.





Concentrating on a good serve is Glenn Hyzak. **Playing Volleyball** is one of the many activities in boys PE. **Smiling at Rueben Galvan,** John Matuke seems to be pleased with Reuben's response as they drill each other for an up-coming health quiz.











Crying after being named to the honor of Homecoming Queen is Missy Little. **Presenting one of the two NHS scholarships** to the male recipient, Mike Pillw is Brenda Urbanek, incoming President. **Accepting** from the presenter the award for the outstanding math and science student is Brian Davis. **Presenting academic awards** to Monica Dykowski, Delores Flores and Alaine Heselmeyer is Naomi Passeman. **Posing** for this photo is the Girls Class AAAA State Long Jump champ, Terry Moore.



y Scott Lindeman▲

Getting Recognition

Gaining Satisfaction

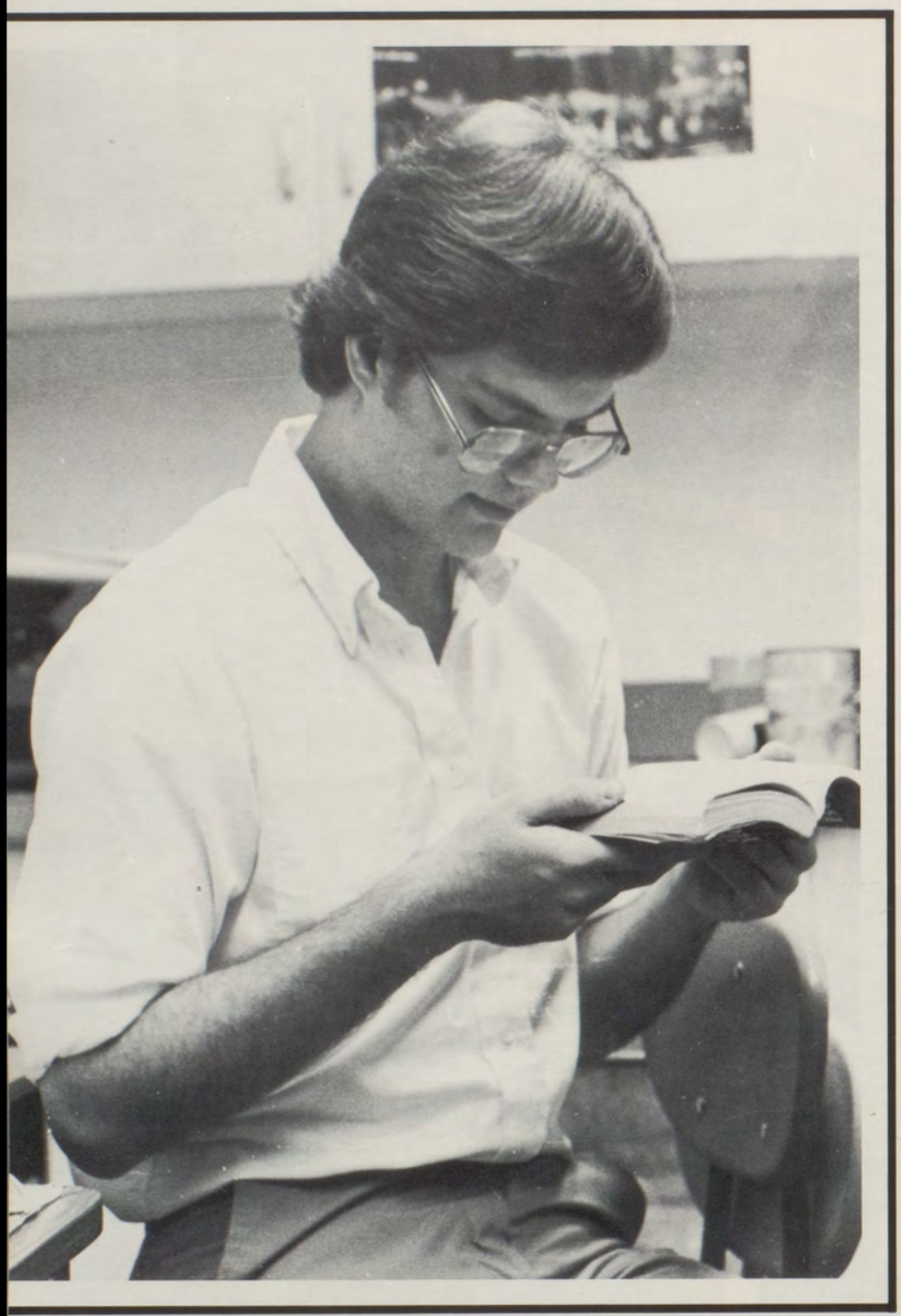
by Marc Brown

Being awarded or recognized for our achievements, either academic or athletic was satisfying. It made us proud of what we had accomplished and it made all those long hours of sacrifice seem worth it.

In late May several of us were recognized and received various awards for our many accomplishments during the year. The nature of the different awards ranged from academic excellence to participating on a championship intermural team. Many local scholarships were presented as well as awards of achievement to vocational students.

Winners were not only recognized at the end of the year. Earlier in the year, Terri Moore became the state champion in girls long jump. Our tennis team was also first in state. A number of us also advanced to the regional UIL Literary meet in Corpus.

As winners we were proud of our individual and team accomplishments. Moreover we were proud and honored to receive awards and recognition from our school as a whole.



Finding the exactly right word for his essays is very important to a serious writer. Barry Cravens skims through a copy of Roget's Thesaurus. He was chosen Who's Who in both English and the field of Journalism.

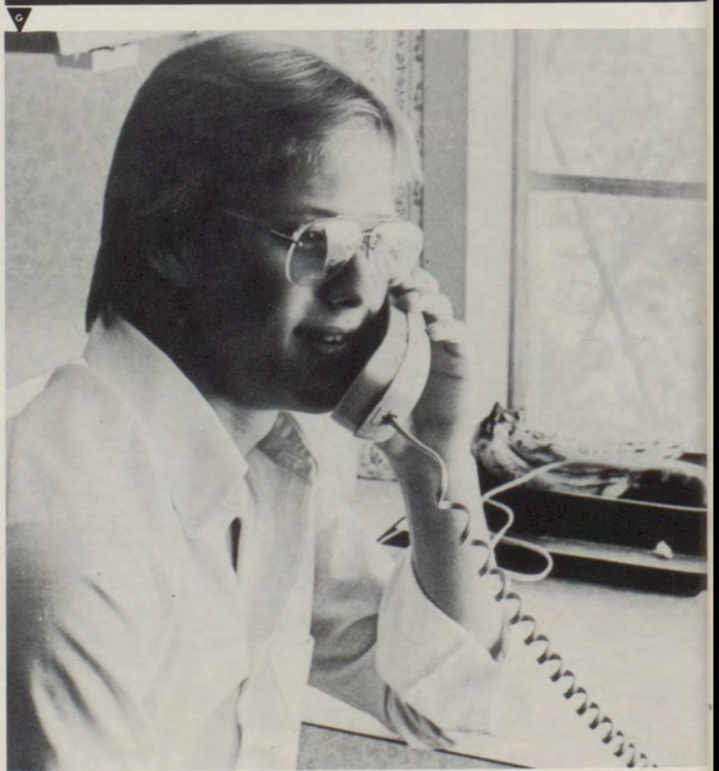
Who's Who: A Notch Above

There are some students whose talent, participation and desire to learn in a specific course of study extraordinary that their high grades in the class seemed too small a compensation for the effort that they put forth. But fortunately there exists an elite group especially designed for students gifted in certain fields of learning. This group was Who's Who and was chosen every year following the criteria listed above.

In April the head teachers of the departments of English, Speech, Drama, Journalism, Math, Science, History, Music and Foreign Language met with the other teachers of these departments and came up with the one student that they felt had been the most outstanding and contributing member of each particular course for the entire year.

Being named to Who's Who was an academic honor which happened solely to ten students each year. It was an honor which signified the accomplishment which set them apart from their fellow classmates.

A — With flute to her lips Rebecca Strnad, Who's Who in History, studies her music. **B — Chosen in Math** is Roger Striet. **C — Doing a chemical** analysis Brian Davis shows why he is Who's Who in Science. **D — Outdoor reading** is relaxing to Donald Baker chosen in music. **E — Pencil to the page** Ely Dlugos, named Who's Who in Speech begins to fill out a questionnaire. **F — Reflected in the mirror** Who's Who in Foreign Language Karen Shamard brushes her hair. **G — Gettin' a rap** Tim Vanecek talks on the phone. He was chosen in Drama.

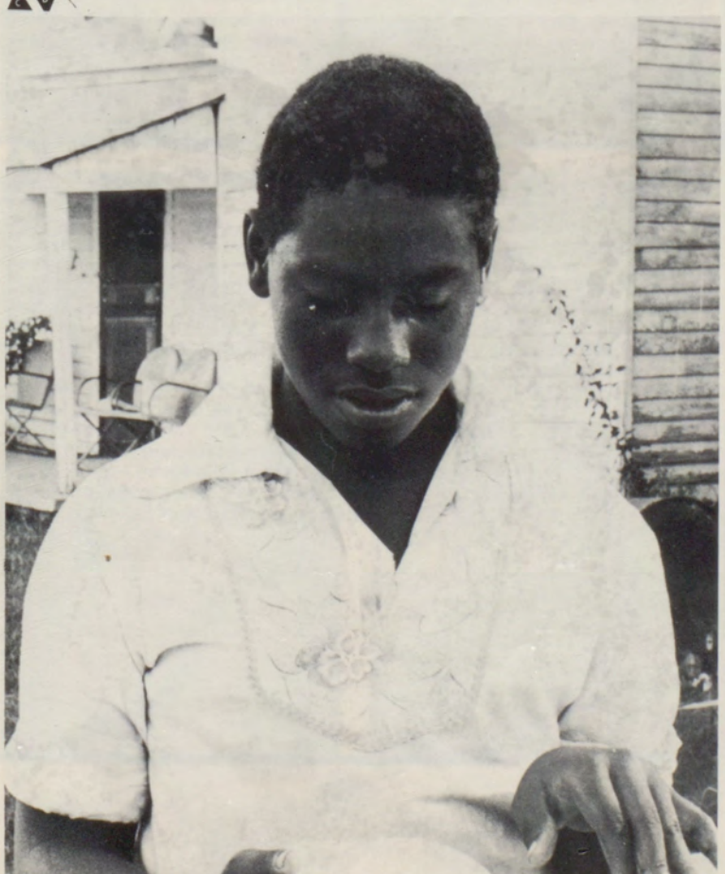
















Look, even after all the getting yelled at by Mr. E. You made it!!

Shaking hands with Mervyn Greer, Greg Haverland smiles with pride as he receives the Balfour award.

Getting Their Just Rewards

You need not roam the halls of THS long before you become aware of a strange status that exists here. The Friday night football spectaculars seem to overshadow all events of the season and demand supreme attention. In the midst of these overpowering sports heroes stands the seemingly unimportant academic student struggling from day to day for that allusive yet necessary A which would enable them to keep up their grades. And for this scholarly strife they get very little recognition for academic endeavors. Yet there was one event which celebrated their achievements — the Academic Honors Awards Assembly.

As the month of May approached grade averages appeared to rise with a last major effort to have the best possible average for the AM House Award for the highest average among the student body. Although there were admirable attempts for this award by many students, Lynn Mokry, a ninth grader, won it with an average of 97.31.

Taking the entire morning, the awards assembly was one of the longest assemblies of the year. Over thirty acknowledgements were made by school board members, representatives of community organizations and THS's own counselors and principal. "It is important that we take time to acknowledge these students because their academic achievements are the backbone of our school. After all learning is why we're here," explained Mr. Baldwin.



Excellence in Typing I — Shelly Meiske Monica Dykowski, Alaine Heselmeyer and Dolores Flores. **Christi Leschber** receives the Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship.



A — The AM House Award is received by Lynn Mokry for the highest average. **B — OEA Area, State and National Finalists** are Loretta Stefek, Teresa Bowden, Regina Perez, Darian Petrucci, Michele Brueckner, Royanne Rogers, Zina Rodenbeck, Suzanne Stasny, Cheryl Kieschnick, Vernell Jackson and Lisa Chasak. **C — Academic Award winners** are Ely Dlugos, Monica Dykowski, James Mokry, Leslie Jacobson, Dolores Flores, Roger Steit, Louanna Werchan, Donna Hobbs, Donna Kasper, Karen Shamard, Amy Casey, Rebecca Strnad, Kathy Griffith Linda Brown, Greg Haverland, Kim Poldrack, Regina Perez, Kathleen Hannan, Becky Pool. **D — Boys' and Girls' State Delegates** are Donna Hobbs, Louanna Werchan, Roger Streit, and Greg Cervenka. **E — The Bob Wilks Memorial Scholarship** goes to Karen Harris. **F — The Alcoa Award** was received by Brian Davis. **G — Speech Winners** are Eddie Wrinkle, Joey Urbanek, Craig Cook, Malcom Randig, Russel Muery and Kathy Griffith. **H — The Danforth Leadership award** was given to Louanna Werchan and Mark West. **I — The Optimist Club Scholarships** were presented to Karen Naivar and Greg Blomquist. **J — FTA Award recipients** are Sandra Sobotic and Kara Petrus. **K — Speech Winners** are Ely Dlugos, David Elliot and Melanie Sakewitz.













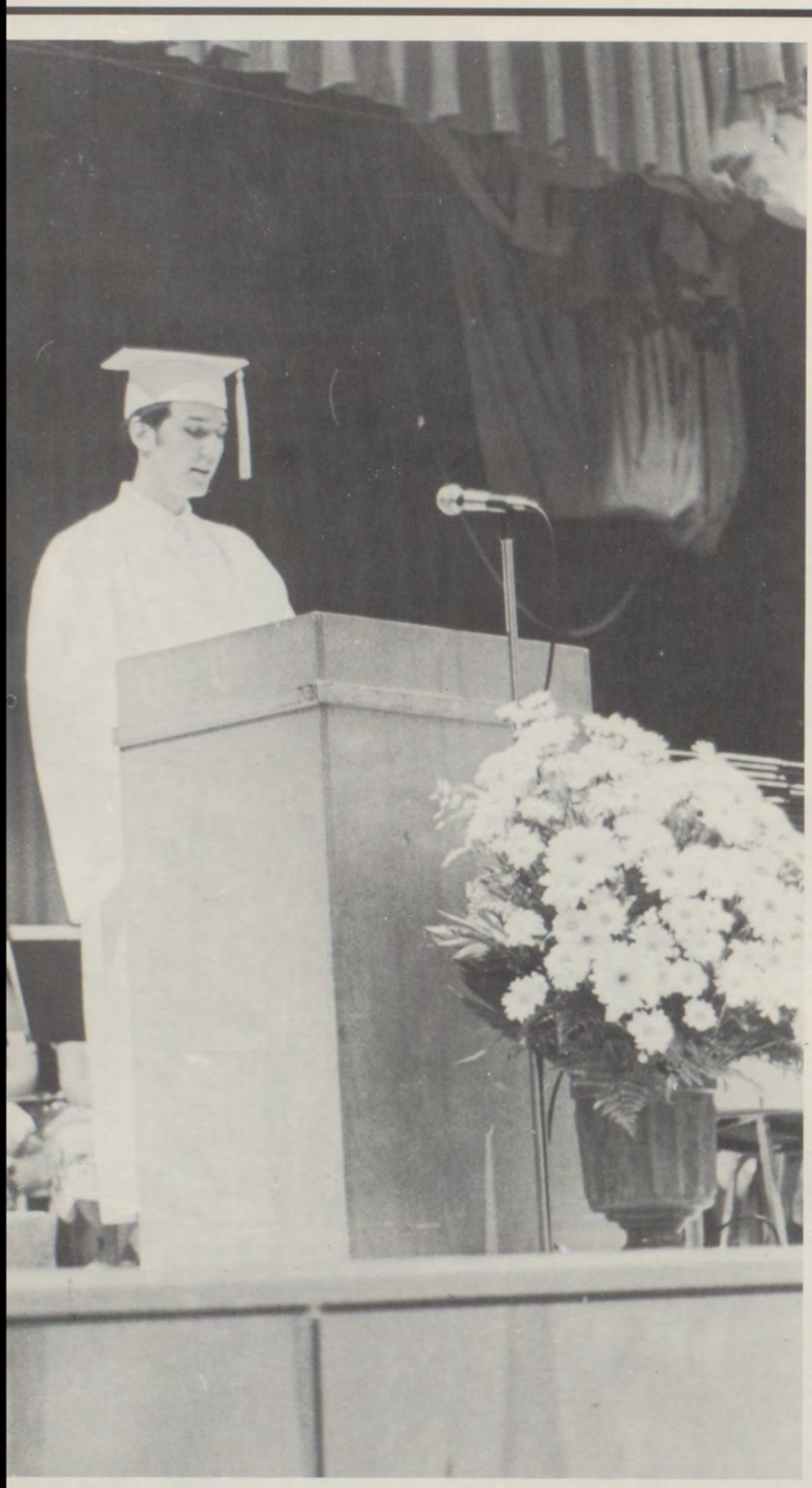










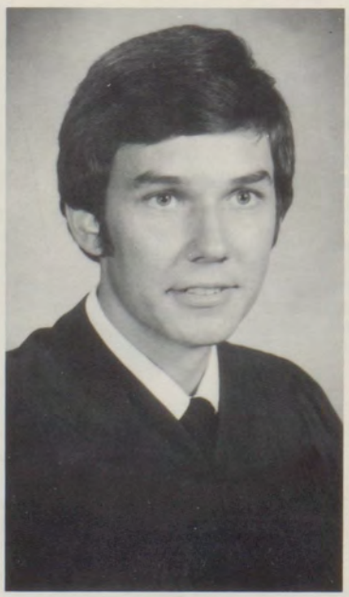


Greg Haverlands gives his Valedictorian address to the graduating seniors during commencement. The speech was one of the duties of the Valedictorian.

They Were at the Top of Their Class

A golden cord symbolizes an honor graduate. But a lot more than a neat rope around their necks can be attributed to the twenty-five students who graduated as honor graduates. From the time that they entered high school they had to plan for their honor graduate status. As freshmen they were required to adapt their schedule to academic courses which were necessary to maintain their status. The courses were four years of English or equivalent; two years of math of Algebra or higher; World History; American History; Government; two of science of Biology or higher and they were averaged along with two highest electives. If the average of all these courses was 90 or above the student was an honor graduate. The honor graduates were placed above non-honor graduate students in their class ranking. The honor graduate with the highest average was Greg Haverland and he was Valedictorian. The second highest average was that of Linda Brown and she was named salutatorian. Both Valedictorian and Salutatorian graduated with "highest honors."

The honors honor graduates received went beyond a gold cord or the phrase "with honors" spoken after their name. These people were special because they were at the top of their class.





Greg Haverland, Valedictorian, with an average of 95.8462 is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Haverland. As a freshman he won the A.M. House Award for highest overall average in the high school. He was consistently on the honor roll and earned academic awards for three years. Named Young Texan and received Balfour Award. Plans to enter Texas A & M University and study petroleum engineering.

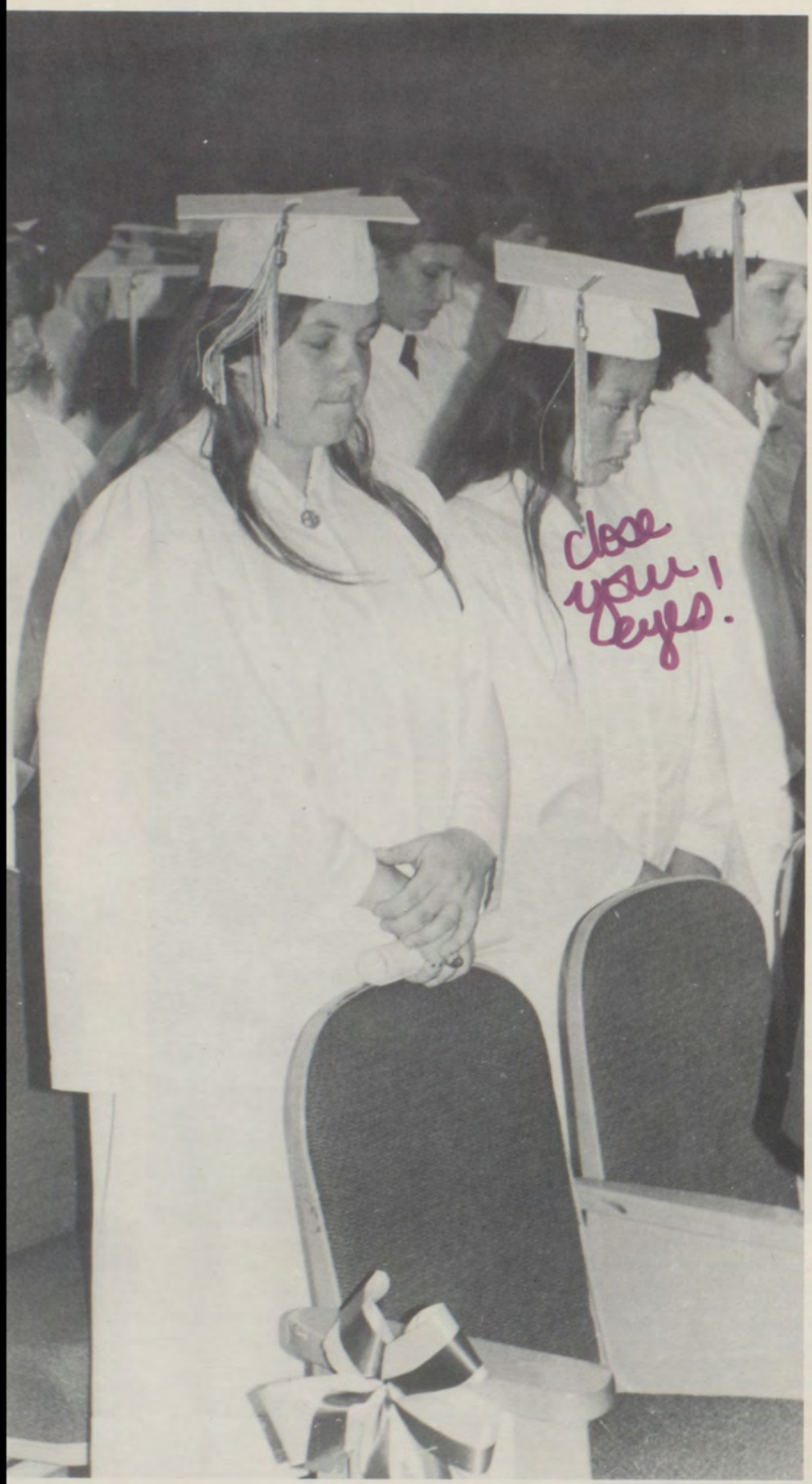
Linda Brown, Salutatorian, with a 94.0377 average is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Brown. She was active in FTA, Drama Club, Mallard, speech, Debate, National Honor Society, Project Go, selected "most likely to succeed," plans to enter University of Texas and major in business.







Rotary Sweater Winners are Becky Pool, Teresa Bowden, Melanie Sakewitz, Karen Harris, Christi Leschber, Kara Petrus, Penny Pavliska, Kathleen Hannan, Mark Urbanek, Audrey Heselmeyer, Linda Brown, Coty Balusek, Regina Perez, Stella Flores Jason Sefcik, Barry Cravens, Terry Richter, Reggie Hill, Greg Haverland, Michael Pille, Adam Martinez, Bryan Townsend. Honor Graduates are Karen Naivar, Coty Balusek, Karen Harris, Christi Leschber, Kim Poldrack, Teresa Bowden, Kara Petrus, Regina Perez, Jason Sefcik, Stella Flores, Becky Pool, Melanie Sakewitz, Audrey Heselmeyer, Penny Pavliska, Kathleen Hannan, Linda Brown, Adam Martinex, Bryan Townsend, Michael Pille, Brian Davis, Reggie Hill, Greg Haverland, Terry Richter, Mark Urbanek, Barry Cravens. With flowers in front of her, Linda Brown gives her Salutatorian speech to her fellow classmates and the audience.



Bowing her head in prayer Kelly Adams stands for the invocation given by Reggie Hill at commencement exercises.

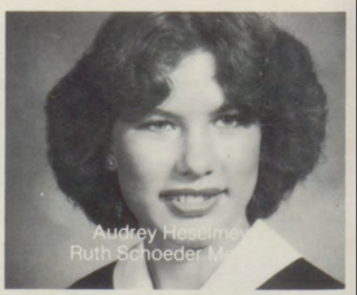
It ~~Was~~ the Best of Times

After twelve years of being a part of the educational system the day had come to say good-bye to an institution that had been the center of our lives for the greater part of our existences. The school system had been a motivator, agitator and shaper of our lives from the nervousness of the first day of school to the excitement of summer vacation. And now it was time to turn our backs and walk away. We had finally come of age.

This coming of age was not merely numerical age, for there were some graduates who had not yet turned eighteen. It was a maturing of mind. Our senior year had been spent filling out forms for college admission, armed services applications, admissions testing and student information forms. Last but not least were the financial aid forms which brought the very adult reality of dollars and cents to our concern. Besides forms there were many things that required paperwork. They were invitations, thank you notes, cap and gown, senior portraits, and name cards. Yes there were a multitude of things to do besides graduate.

As we turned our tassles from left to right it was easy to wonder, "Was it all worth it?" The answer was yes. All the frills and the solemn ceremony were a fitting end. Few seniors would deny that their last year was anticlimatic and a dramatic end was necessary to remember the best of times.


James Marek
Tree Enterprise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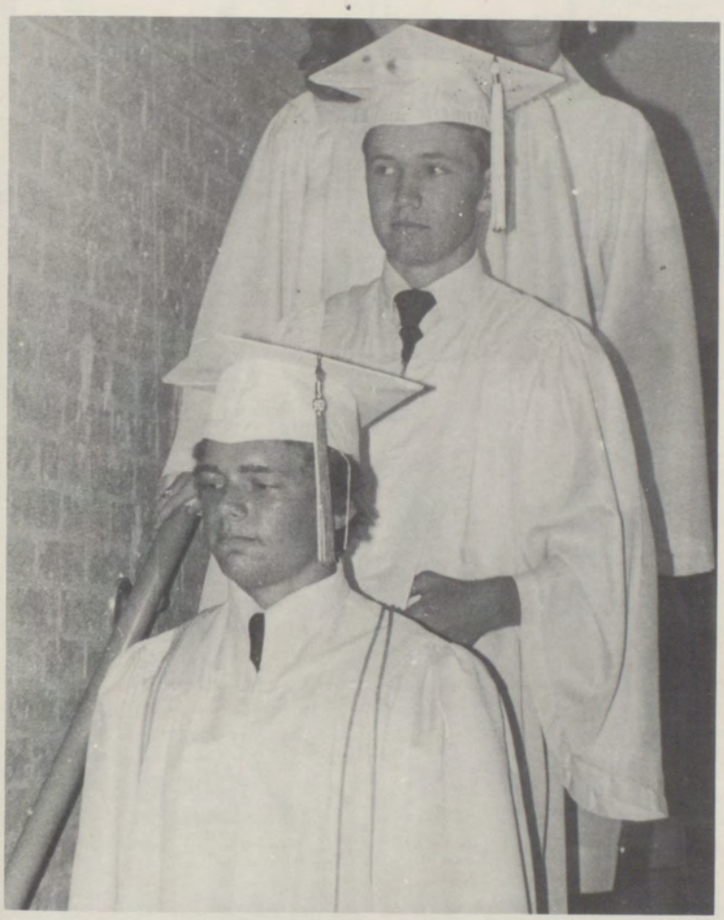






Turning his tassle Terry Richter participates in an old tradition which symbolizes turning from student to graduate. **Marching down the stairs** Clifford Tomacek and Bryan Townsend nervously listen to "Pomp and Circumstance." **Shaking hands with Mervyn Greer,** Annette Calder accepts her diploma with pride. **Listening attentively** to the valedictorian address Elizabeth Barratachea, Linda Bearden and Bobby Blagg await their time to rise and accept their diplomas.













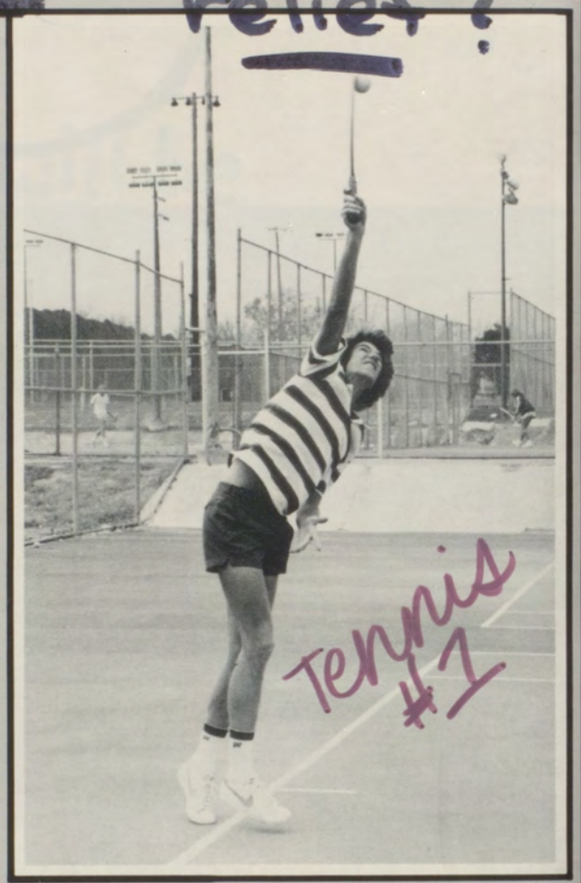
Sports and Activities

Offer Relief

There was a point in every student's life when the pressures of grades and the demands that school put upon us could really spoil our day. It was at this time that sports or the activities of student seemed to carry us over. Yet this year sports and student life did not offer as much stability as in the years before. Students had to adjust and some even found the new good times more exciting and stimulating than ever.

Sports at THS received a near complete overhaul. New coaches flooded the campus. Coach Klar, a new female coach, led the girls sports with a new spirit. She was proud of the girls sport department and wanted to bring this pride to her girls. Although the head coach, Linquist, was not new, he announced his resignation and Coach Spiller was named head coach.

The activities of student life also offered a relief change. People's attitudes had changed, too. Any chance to party, to relieve some of the pressures was taken. Sometimes it seemed that all we lived for was fun and the good times.



Snug as a bug Sylvia Sandoval, Shelly Hall, Amy Kasparak, and Monica Cuba stay warm at the Del Valle football game. Friends were always part of our good times. **Serving the ball** Russel Becker takes a swing at the ball.



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G for the Good Times

You got it!











Paying Mrs. Lynn Lankford for his cafeteria lunch is Tim Reiger. ***Crowding*** during the lunchtime rush occurred in both the cafeteria and snack bar. This large group of students represents a typical lunchtime. ***Eating in cars*** was something that all of us could identify with. Johanna Leshikar orders her meal at Sonic. ***Eating ice cream*** after lunch at Goodies, is Laurie Preuss. ***Eating a sack lunch*** on campus was another option offered to students. Here Brenda Scheer and Annette Calser eat lunch in the south hallway.



▲ Photo by Mike Gomez

Eating Out at Lunch

The Soup Is On

by Marc Brown

As the 11:30 bell rang, the parking lot became a busy place, with the hurried exits made by us heading for lunch.

We had a vareity of dining establishments to choose from. Whether our fancy was burgers or pizza, we could eat whatever our stomachs desired.

A number of new places to eat sprang up relatively close to our school, within easy walking distance. These included, the delicatessen at the new Safeway, Don Pedro's and Goodies Ice Cream Parlor.

Many of us chose to dine a little farther away from campus at restaurants such as Bill's, Dairy Queen, Sonic, Dairy Quinn, Rudy's, Diamond Inn and Golden Fried Chicken.

Others of us, without cars or with less determination chose to remain at school for lunch, eating in the cafeteria or snack bar. The cafeteria began offering at least two choices of a main course and salads. The snack bar offered cheeseburgers for the first time.

One thing was certain, we could not complain about no place to go for lunch.

A Winter Playground

Living in Central Texas, we experienced many different kinds of weather but we rarely saw snow. Winter came early though, and with it, the first snowfall seen by many of us in a number of years. Although there was not enough snow to prevent us from going to school, there was enough to enjoy.

Our school day was different from any other. Some teachers allowed their classes to go outside to enjoy the snow. We also organized our own snowball fights on our time. Our school grounds had turned into a winter playground and it looked like a promising winter as far as snow was concerned.



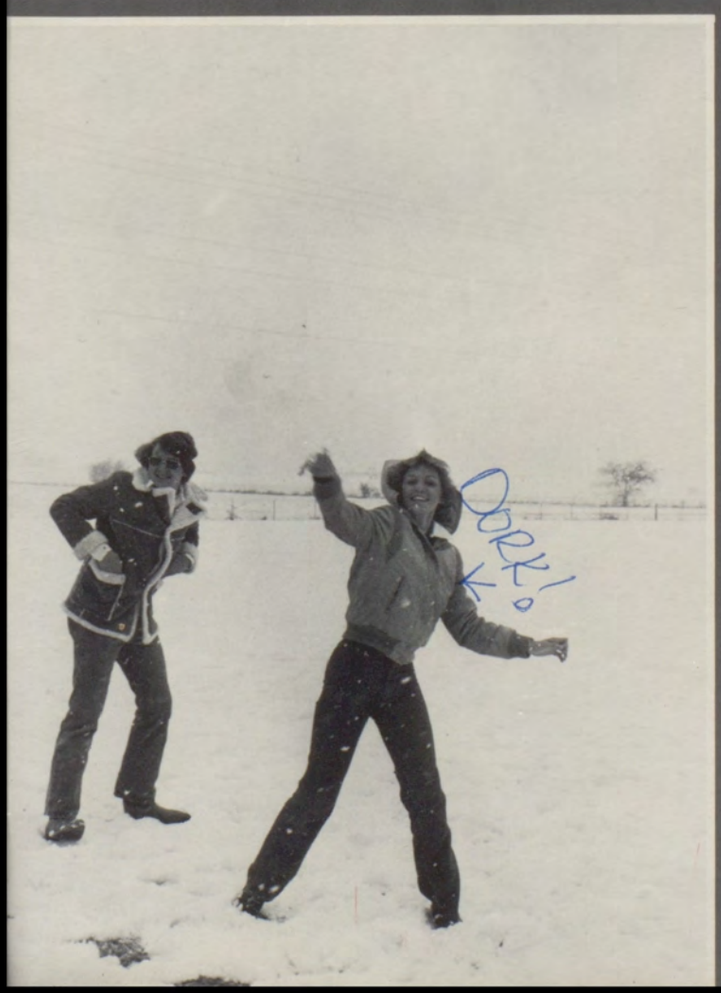


Cold hands and feet were some of the after effects of the snowball fights. Odis Fletcher defies mother nature by throwing snowballs without the comfort of a coat and gloves. **Snowballs** filled the air throughout the day. The sight of snow made all of us feel like children once again. Armed with a giant snowball, Karen Raesz aims at a victim. **Building a snowman,** Alex Alvarez, Joe Valdez, Richard Olguin and Robert Pachicano celebrate the school day of snow that was almost like a holiday.









Daring each other to be the first to throw a snowball, Antonia Galvan and Vickie Keith enjoy the snow. **Snowball fights** became a popular pastime before and after school and at lunch. Carol Stewart searches for her next target.

Observing Janine Veselka's skill at throwing snowballs is Malcolm Randig. **Snowmen were built** all around the school. Buddy Michna and Tommy Gaston work on their creation.



Heat Wave

Hottest Summer in 50 Years

How much further do we have to go? A few more miles. Is that it over there to the right? Yes, that's it over there, there's summer.

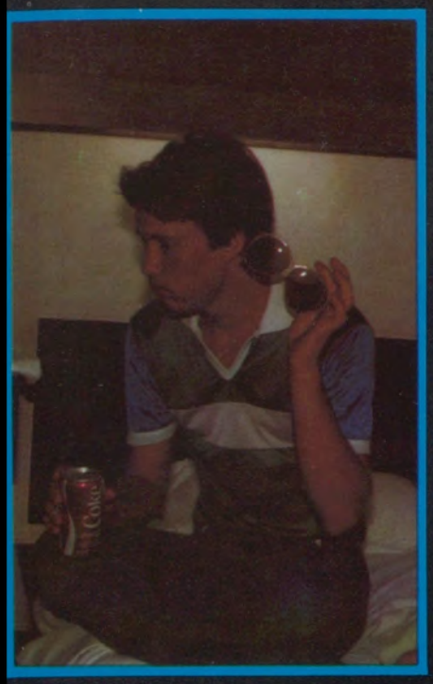
When the final bell rang that Friday afternoon, we had a lot of work behind us and a bunch of activities planned for the three months ahead. The Cotton Boll staff traveled to UT Arlington and Mallard summer workshop was held at the Texas A & M campus, while the Hi-stepper officers learned new routines at the drill team camp in Denton, but of course, activity did not limit itself to that sponsored by the school.

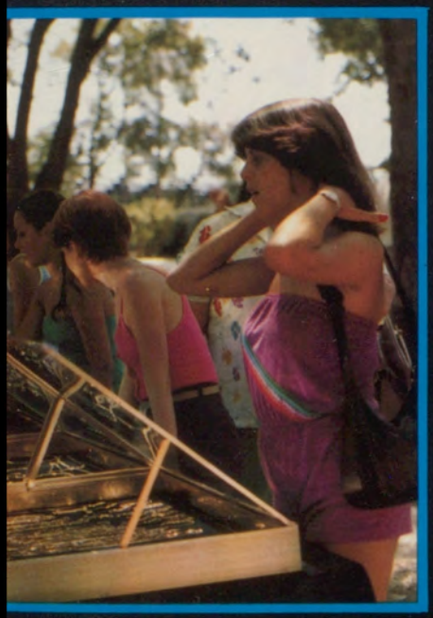
We took the initiative. Concerts were an available alternative to those who had the cars and the money. Texas Jam !!! went off as scheduled during June. "We decided to go at the last minute and I sure am glad we did, especially since the Eagles won't be back again."

The lakes were as always a popular spot for summer recreation, but when August rolled around, our time ran out. We returned to the halls of THS, some sunburned and others deaf.

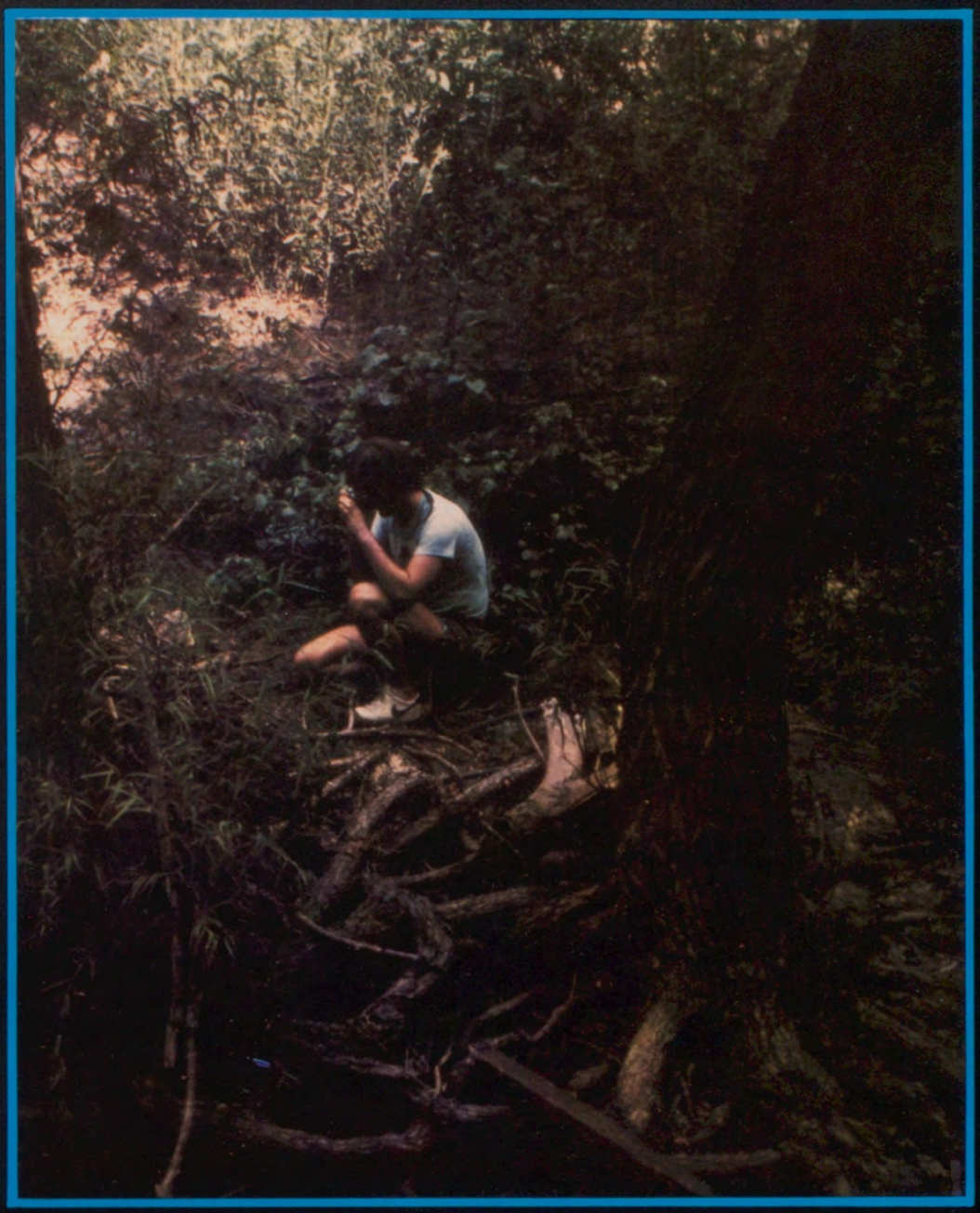


Coke and sunglasses in hand, Jason Sefcik relates his experience at Texas Jam. The all day music event took place at Dallas in the month of June. Jewelry and a multitude of other arts and crafts attracted over 7,000 people during the five day event. Darian Petrucci prepares to try a necklace on during the TIF days celebration. Waving from a ferry boat, Shelley Hall looks over at the shore of Port Aransas in the heat of the June month. Fireworks were the special attraction that ended the TIF days festival. Over a thousand dollars were spent for the visual display of colors.











Green summer woods often inspire beautiful pictures. Summer gives Barry Cravens time to spend on his hobby as he snaps a shot near Coupland. Toga parties could be attributed in part to the sweltering heat. With nighttime temperature over 100 degrees, Mark Urbanek and Adam Martinez don sheets for the party during the A amd M Communications Convention.



Carpentry is one of many occupations that have opened up for women since the women's movement. Karen Schaefer and Miriam Balduff work on the winning junior float and male Craig Cook stares in amazement.



Singing during the Homecoming assembly was one of many gigs that the Innovations did in the Taylor area. Kelly Wilkerson lends his vocal talent to the effort. Kazoo **band wackies** board their float and prepare to serenade their audience with their music.





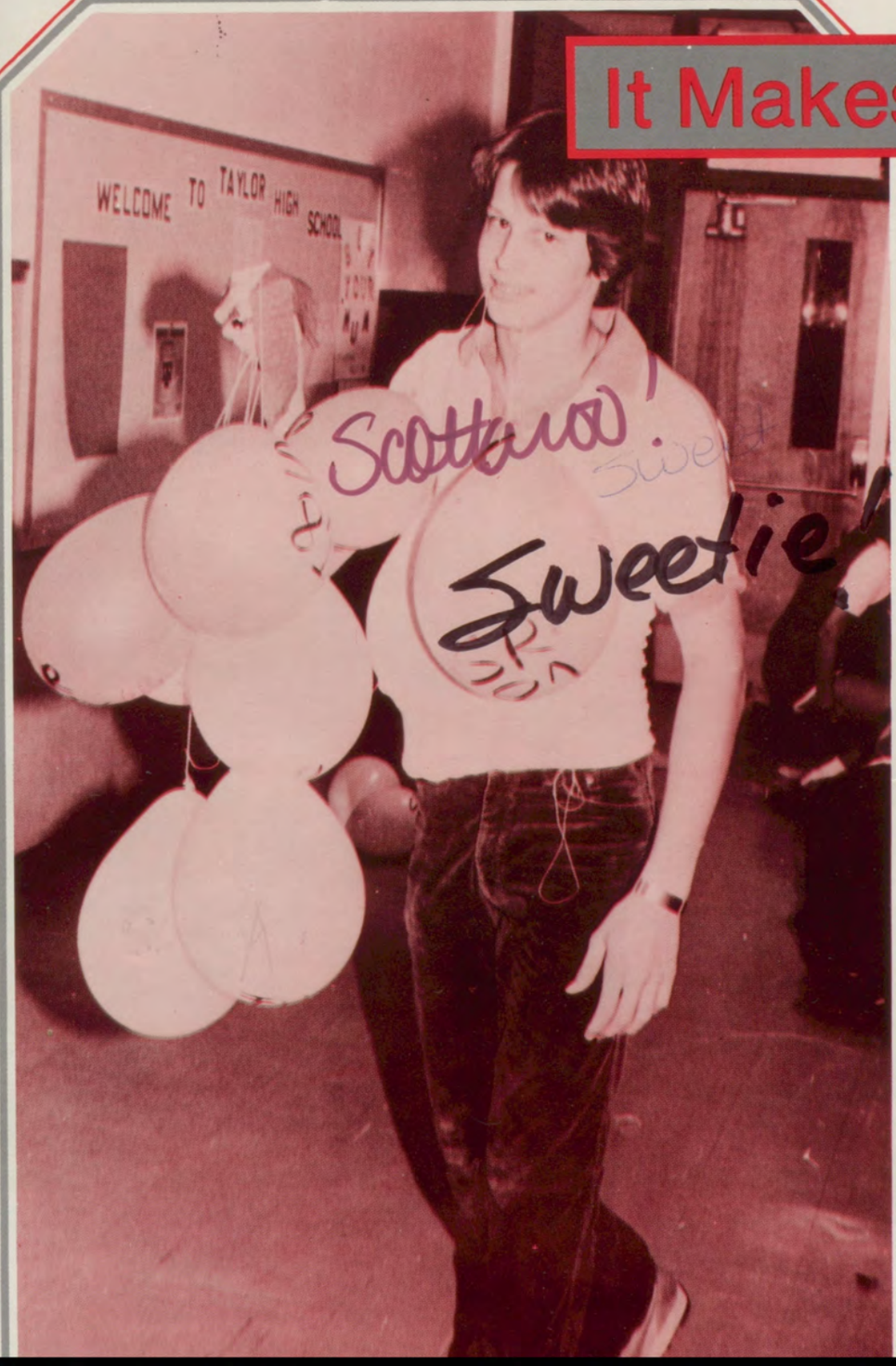
Clowning around before the parade are sophomores Penny Bachmeyer and Connie [illegible]. **Football games can be chilling experiences** as Kara Petrus, Arlene Alvarez, Sylvia Sandavol and Regina Perez will attest.





Painting tombstones is one of many experiences that we ordinarily would not associate with a high school education, but just ask Regina Perez if the skill did not come in handy.

It Makes Us Wait



Anticipation. That was what we Duck enthusiasts experienced during the two weeks before the big Homecoming game. There were floats to be built, signs to be painted and of course halls to be decorated.

Each year the four THS classes decorate their designated hall, trying to outdo the other three, and though all four may look exactly the same at the casual glance of an outsider, they could easily be distinguished by the students. Balloons were the trademark of the senior hall as seemingly hundreds adourned the lockers and ceiling near the office. Green and white streamers were also hung, giving the hall a tent-like affect.

When we walked down the halls or helped in the construction of floats and signs, we could not help but become excited, the game, the last big game, with all its formalities, and of course the many parties afterwards.

One of the larger ones was given by the senior class at Taylor Hall off of Hwy. 79, and though we lost the game we managed to have a good time, to bounce back from defeat and look ahead, anticipate.

Carrying balloons for the senior hall decoration keeps Scott Lindemann busy and quiet.

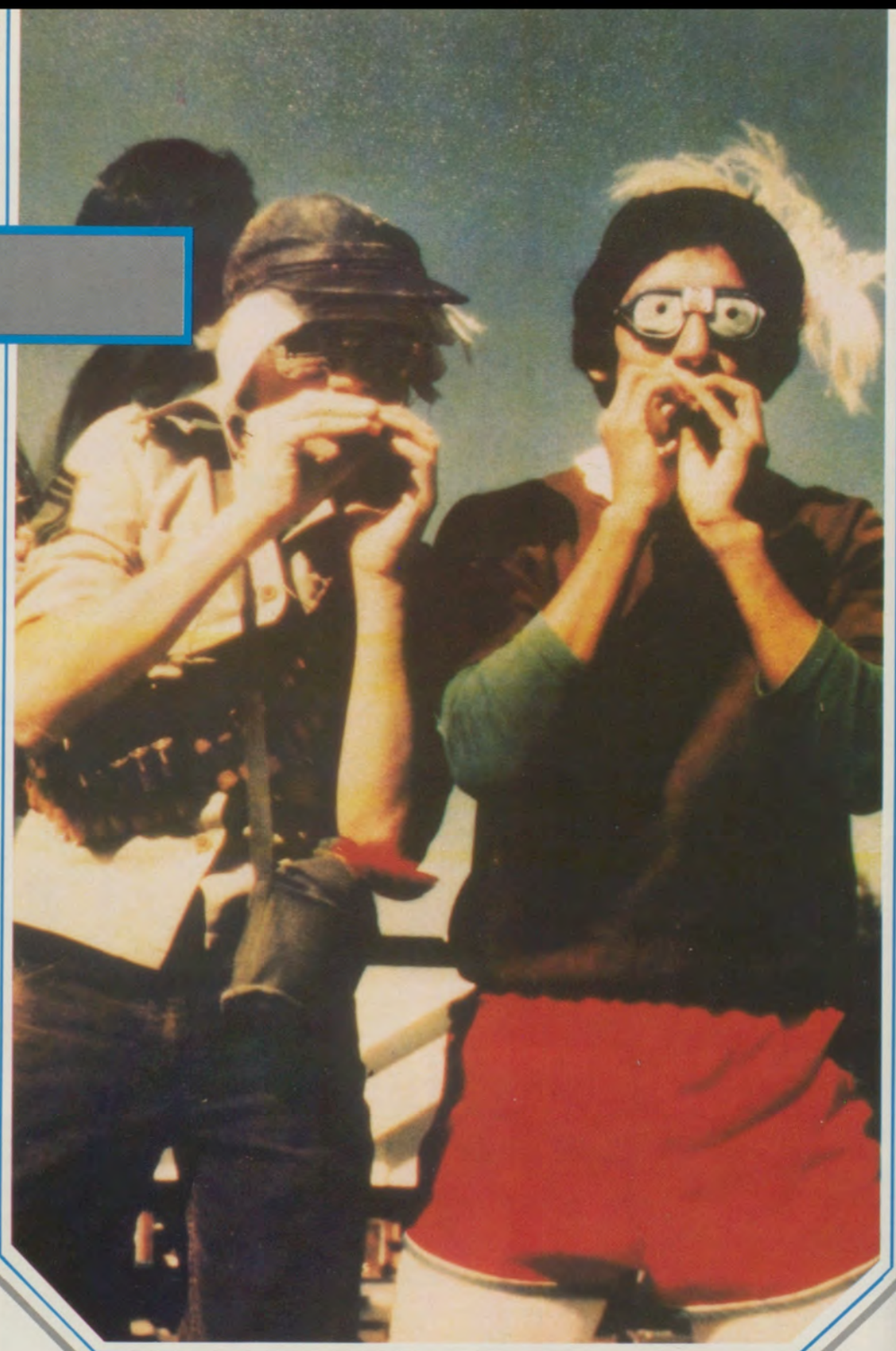
It Rained on

Our Parade

Holidays were special for everyone. They were times that we shared with friends without the everyday interruptions. They were festive occasions and we celebrated them in accordance with tradition. Surely everyone at THS considered Homecoming to be one of the most important holidays of the year, for it was by far the most celebrated.

The day began like no other. Girls came to school adourned in 60's attire, bouffant hairdo and all, while boys mimicked the style of "Beaver" Cleaver of the once popular television show, Leave It to Beaver. This year was unique; however, in that the assembly and class sign contest that had marked the festivity in years past, were replaced with a parade. Each THS organization built a float depicting a Taylor victory over opponent Del Valle. Weeks of hard work preceeded the event as THS students soon discovered that float building was no easy task, and of course it rained the week of Homecoming, creating a little extra work for the organizations who had not prepared themselves or their floats for foul weather.

Homecoming being a holiday though, it was taken in good spirit. We worked together and became a little closer because of it. It rained, but then it rained on all of us together.



The Kazoo band has become a Homecoming tradition as Tony Perez and Troy Lane will attest. Here they warm up before the pep rally at the field. **Mimicking the dress** of former graduates, seniors Elaine Stefek, Bonnie Kiesling, Trevor Sladek and Cheryl Kieschnick join the parade riding a '64 Chevrolet.

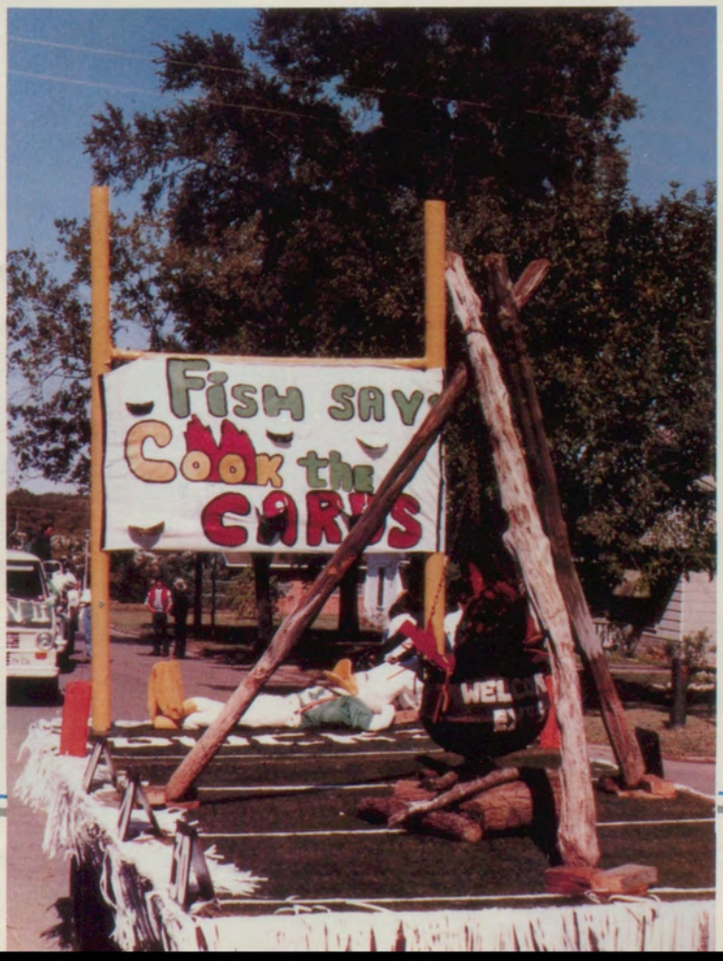




Muddy feet are the result of the rain which may have dampened Homecoming spirits but certainly did not spoil the holiday festivities. **Sitting on the bleachers** before the pep rally, Laurie Brooks sadly reflects facing a year in band without the seniors. **Gathering on their float** before the parade are Mallard staffers Barry Cravens, Jason Sefcik, Greg Maxwell, Duck Linda Raesz and Cardinal Theresa Lopez.

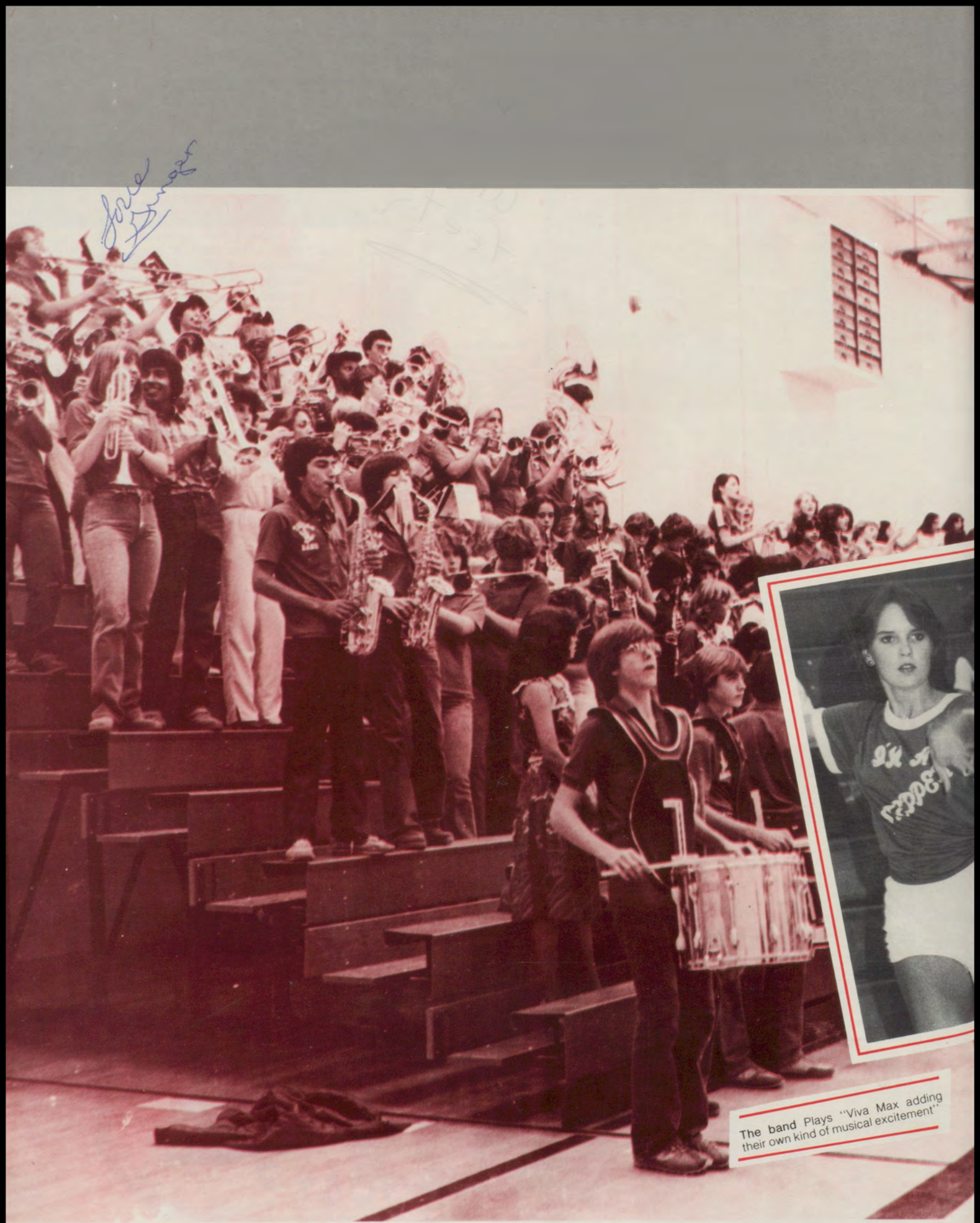








The freshman float travels down Second Street on Homecoming day. **Kissing** Homecoming queen Missy Little is James Marek's way of expressing his congratulations to her.



The band Plays "Viva Max adding their own kind of musical excitement"



Creating Excitement

Upon entering the gym at 3:00 on those Friday afternoons, we were immediately caught up in the excitement created by pep rallies.

Shortened afternoon classes provided the time to show our support for the team, to help them onto a victory in that nights game.

Although we were not required to attend the pep rallies, most of us did attend out of loyalty or lack of something better to do.

After hearing an opening yell by the cheerleaders, we listened to the band play the familiar fight song and watched the team enter through the back doors.

As the rallies progressed, we heard a few more spirit boosting yells and watched the Hi-Steppers perform as the band played. We again heard more cheers and witnessed the flag team perform its practiced routine. We then heard speeches by the players, predicting the outcome of that night's game. At last the rally drew to a close with the singing of our school song.

Although to an outsider this half hour ritual might seem boring, it was not. It was a chance for we as students to show our support for not only the football team, but also for the band, drill team and every other facet of high school life.











Fourteen mums covered most of Miriam Balduff at the Homecoming game. The flowers were given by friends. **Crowning football sweetheart,** Kathy Griffith, are Jimmy McAdams and Lawrence Wright, captains for the week. **Splitting on the field** as she is introduced is Hi-Stepper Arlene Alverez. **Going up for the catch** against a Del Valle defender Greg Blomquist hopes to score. **Busting through the run-through sign,** the Ducks charge onto the field for the Halloween game against Bastrop.

We Loved it



Sights and sounds of Hi-Steppers and band students bustling from place, to place, cheerleaders hanging spirit signs and the football team doing warm-up exercises on the field, filled the air. Whether we were participating in the night's activities or were spectators, we could feel the excitement. This was football season and we loved it.

As we watched the pre-game ceremonies we eagerly anticipated the opening kick-off. As the game progressed we were filled with highs and lows depending upon the game's action. Finally it was half-time and we could relax.

While we watched the band and drill team perform, we also sated our thirsts and appetites and the concession stands. We also impatiently awaited the commencement of the second half and the game's exciting conclusion.

As the seconds ticked away we watched our enthusiasm grow or diminish, depending upon the score. As the final gun sounded we left, either elated by a victory or disheartened by a heartbreaking defeat.

Win or lose, we would almost certainly be back the following week to fill the stadium to near capacity.







Waiting to perform at the last home game, members of the flag corps and drum major, Rebecca Strnad watch the final plays of the first-half. **Enjoying their third quarter** break, Mike Dlugos, Mary Ann Gonzales and Lupe Gomez pose for a picture. **Introducing their sons,** Ronnie and Jimmy McAdams, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Cernosek take part in parents night at the final home game. **Somewhere over the Rainbow,** a visual half-time show was performed at home games as well as out of town games.

All Night Long

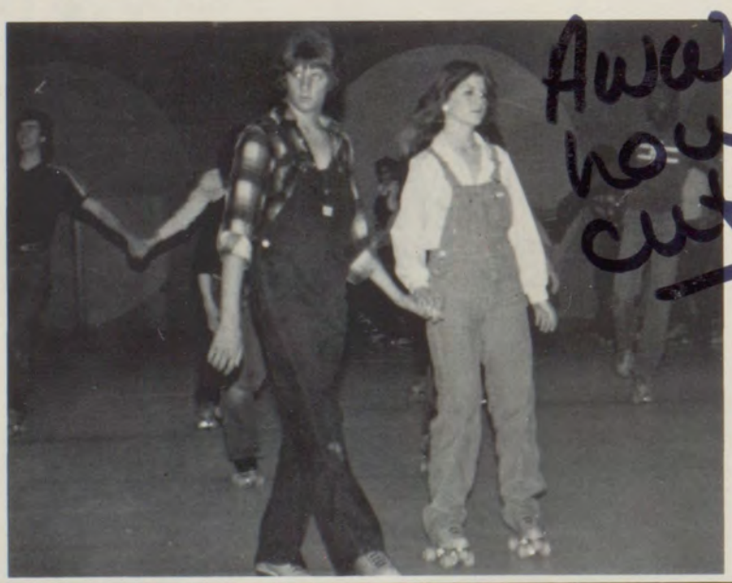
Being young and energetic, many of us yearned for something a bit more exciting than the hum drum routine of school. Thus, as the 3:30 bell rang, most of us immediately thought of our evening activities. We deserved at least a little relaxation after seven hours of school. We were ready to unwind and party. The night was ours.

On week nights, we tended to stay within the city limits, taking drags, stopping at Mr. Gattis, or Randy's Ice House or maybe even getting a bite to eat. The prospect of school the next day usually brought us home before the midnight hour.

The week-ends however, were another story. With virtually no curfew, we ventured into Austin and got a taste of big city entertainment. Whether our beat was country, rock, new, wave or disco, we could find it in the various night clubs in the nearby capital city. Austin also offered a wide variety of dining establishments as well as numerous theaters, shopping malls and recreational centers.

At home, the week-ends meant dances by the Debonaires, Innovations, or the Road Runners. The newly opened skating rink as well as the Howard Theater also offered us relaxation closer to home in our own city.

What time did this all-out partying and celebrating end? Usually very late. Many of us in fact, found ourselves out on the town all night long.



Wally Sanborn and Betty Cravens enjoy a Saturday evening at the newly opened Family Skating Center.



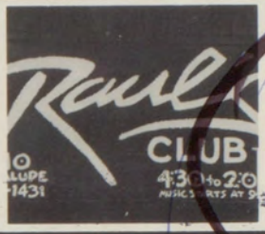
Mr. Gatti's was one of the most popular student gathering places. Sherry Maxwell orders her meal before she sits and visits with friends.









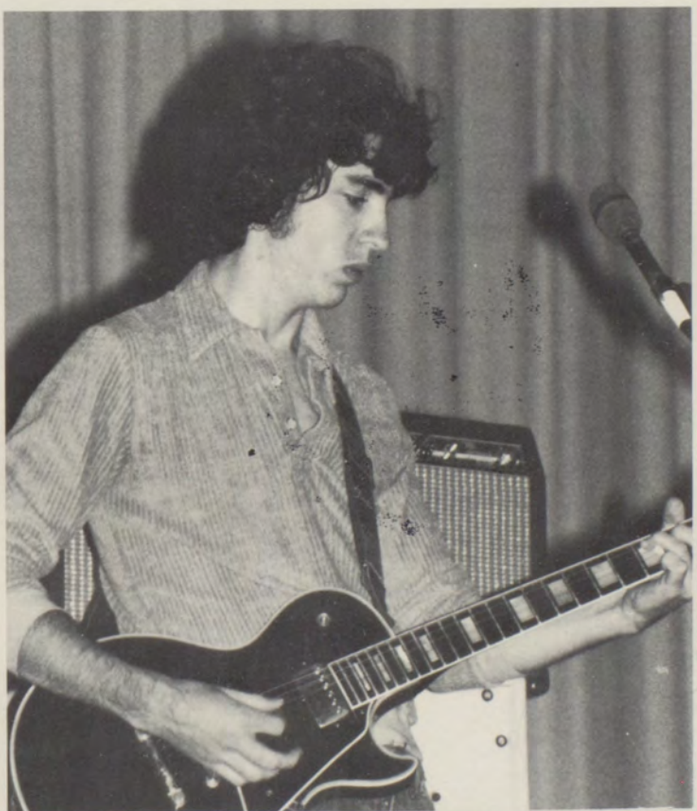




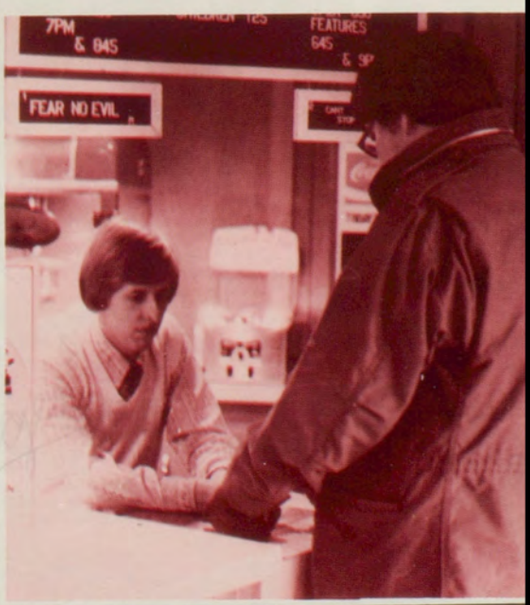








Purchasing a ticket from Raymond Pokorny, Mathew Krebbs prepares to enjoy a movie at the Howard Theater. **Popular** because of its location on the "drag" Randy's Ice House was usually a busy spot for students. **At the week-end dances,** students sometimes listened to the music of the Innovations in which Dean Herzer played.













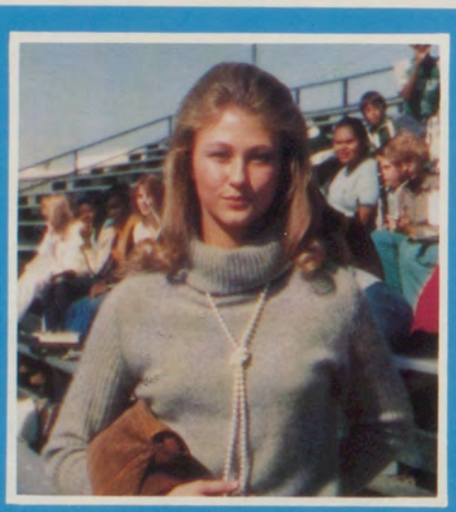




Preppy bows and skirts made a welcome appearance. Along with the skirts came the flat heeled shoes of the 1960's. Miriam Balduff gets ready to attend class. **Purple plastic** was an obvious product of new wave. Mark Urbanek displays one outfit popularized by the group DEVO.

Monograms and Designer Clothes

It Was in Style to Have a Label



Jordache, Calvin Klein, Izods . . . designer clothes made their appearance. It was easy to see many people who into the fashion craze. From preppy skirts to new wave plastic jumpsuits we always tried to fit into the crowd by dressing in style. Even though the cost of fashionable clothing was not cheap we still paid the outrageous prices in order to get that certain look. Imagine spending $40 to $45 for a pair of jeans or maybe $24 for a knit shirt with a small alligator on it.

There are many choices to make on which type of fashion we want to be known for. The western look of blue jeans, boots and a flannel shirt or maybe a unique hairstyle or by wearing only one designer brand. Whatever style the student chose to wear each individual stood out with his favorite designer style.

Cashmere and pearls made up Katherine Mekolik's classic look. **Coordinating yellow clothes** were only one of the many outfits worn by students.



Bobby Griffin models such an outfit. **Colorful Izods** made their appearance on students bodies. Mike Gomez was one of the many addicted to the gator.

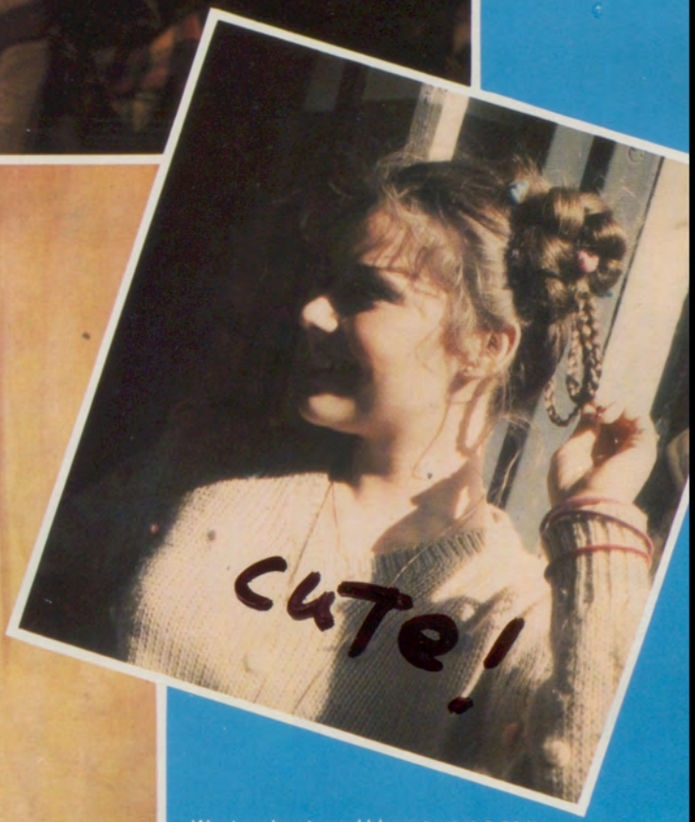












Western boots and blazers were a new fashion that showed up regularly throughout the yar, Teresa Bowden polishes her boots before leaving for school. Unique hairstyles was one way to express ideas of fashion. Sherill Ripple displays one such style. Guys fashions also brought about changes in the male students appearance. Gwenda Johnson straightens Chris Smith's tie.



A Crazy Little Thing Called Love

Just relax and slow down. Take it easy. But when you are in love those are not easy words. In the beginning it is the worst. You try to break the ice and open the line of communication, but sometimes those lines got crossed and that lump in your throat remains just that, but after a while, with a little more experience . . . it will all work out. Your first relationship. You find that special someone you can share the good times with, someone to protect you from the awkwardness of being alone. Dating is just naturally the way of finding that someone. So get ready, swallow those butterflies and make a go of it.

"Watching T.V. is sometimes just as fun as going out," Willie Mays comments about nights spent with Terri Moore. "I was so nervous when I went to pick her up," Craig Cook recalls a date with Sherill Ripple, "The first date is always the scariest."





Stranded on the side of the road because of car trouble . . . how many of us have been through this? Greg Cervenka and Donna Kaspar set out to find help.



I got so mad I threw ice on him" Laurie Brooks recalls one date she had with Jim Lindquist.



My date actually hit the mailbox with my car while we were kissing." Pam Steger continues, "He never asked me out again."

A Fantasy in Paradise

Not enough hours to change the dull, lifeless hall into A FANTASY IN PARADISE.

It just didn't seem possible that only twenty or so Juniors and a couple of adults could change the K. C. Hall into the exotical theme of a tropical island. So much had to be done with so little time to do it in.

On first arrival to the hall the night before, we knew that we had to redecorate the entire place in order to get prepared for the following night. The water fall had yet to be built. All the table fixtures and wall decorations remained unfinished as the hours pass by. The entrance of a bambo hut with water troughs and floating candles still had to be constructed. After redoing the overhead sky two times the final touches of clipping and taping were done to the blue streamer spiral.

Things were finally in motion. Around 3:00 the few remaining workers put up for the night only to return at 10:00 the same morning to touch up and rearrange flowers and candles. The florist soon arrived to arrange the live flowers, plants and palm trees. It was hard to believe that we had finished decorating.

Now all we had to do was go home, put our tuxes and long dresses on, fix our hair and faces, and get ready for the big night ahead of us. The Debonaires entertained us with the sounds of rock and country. The night was a total success. It was said to be one of the best proms ever and was certainly worth all the hard work.





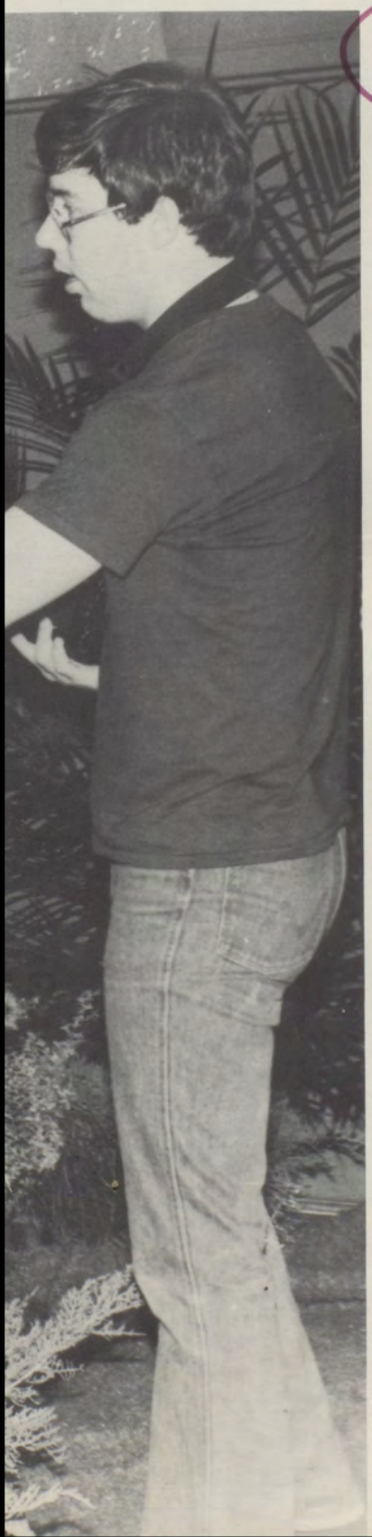
Photo by Stella Flores

Giving directions for the live plant arrangements at the picture scene is Thomas Conn. Joe Garcia and Raj Nadkarni rearrange the plants to create a tropical atmosphere.





What an expression! Michele Brueckner shows the cameraman what she thinks of him as Keith Repa, Mike Qualls, and Shelly Meiske look on. **Relaxing and taking a seat** was needed after dancing. Greg Cervenka and Louanna Werchen do just that. **Playing a guitar** and singing his heart out was Debonaires member Leslie Huff.









With a big smile on her face Kara Petrus stops for a picture. Kara and Steve Lawhon were only one of the many who attended the prom. **Eating from the watermelon boat** is the freshmen servers dressed in Hawaiian attire. Brian Broadnex, Jolynn Schaefer, Chris Chapa, Craig Pepper, Robert Simien, and Claire Bartosh enjoy the fruit.









Quenching his thirst. Gabriel Zavala drinks straight from a leaking water pipe after finishing a blistering August afternoon practice session.
Alertly poised at the net, Kim Poldrack awaits her opponents serve in practice.
Leaping into the air, Gina Reichenbach practices returning volleyball serves.
Place kicker, Arturo Carrasco practices to improve his distance in both field goals and kick-offs.
Sitting and stretching, members of the varsity track squad prepare to begin a routine afternoon work-out.



Long Hours

Making the Sacrifices

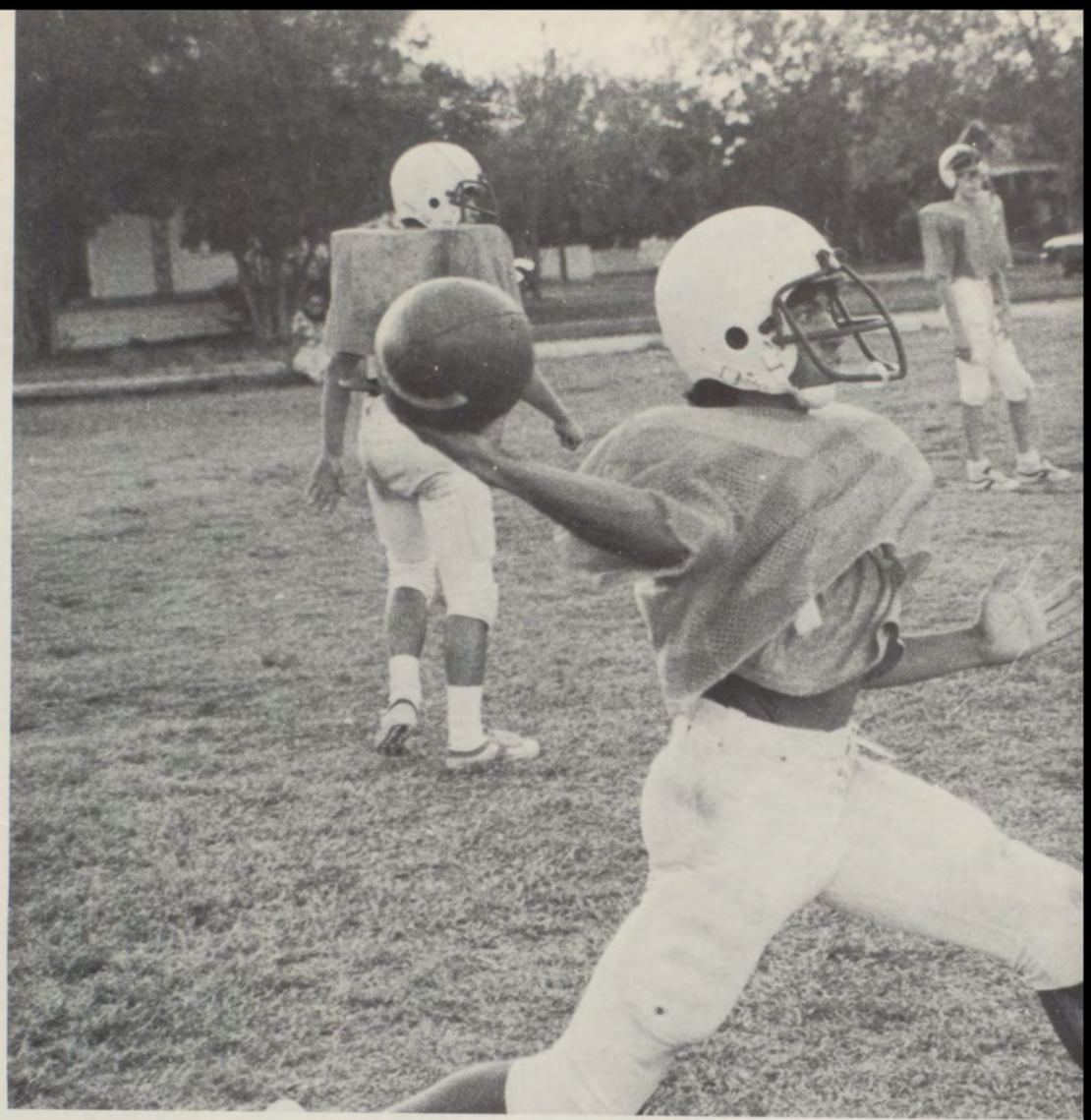
by Marc Brown

▲ Photo by Scott Lindeman

Being involved in any athletic activity meant devoting a great deal of extra time and energy not only to the actual competition but to the numerous lengthy practice sessions as well. These practices took place before, during and after school hours, each week day.

At first we had to make adjustments for both the increase in physical activity and the loss of a great deal of former spare time. A large portion of what little spare time we did have was devoted to studying and maintaining an academic average high enough not to jeopardize our eligibility for sports. Many of us also gave up part-time jobs to have enough time for our various athletic activities. At times amid the gruelling drills, long cross country runs and tiring skrimages we wondered why we ever did this.

Despite the sacrifices required for athletic activities, all of us involved in them felt deep personal satisfaction and pride for being able to represent our school in sporting contests.



Proper stance and power behind a throw are two of the aspects behind passing as Bobby Guzman spends a hot September afternoon perfecting his form.

A Gleam of Brightness:

Indecision and an unusual quietness hung in the air . . .

of the dressing room, the formidable Rockdale team already out on the field chanting ferocious yells about the Ducks. Strapping the shoulder pads on a determined feeling of wanting success slowly grew about the room as if each were growing in pride, ready to take care of the degrading remarks the other team had so quickly announced. The final task of pulling over the game jersey, strapping on the helmet, and they were out on the field, a fired up group of high school atheletes, ready to prove to everyone that they were undoubtedly the best.

This was their chance. A look at the stands and a surprised glance at the fullness of the crowd. yells broke out as they ran out on the field. These were the freshmen, the little men of school, and the junior varsity, often called rejects of the varsity, playing their hearts out for themselves and everyone else in town, and gleam of brightness in the often stormy waters of our athletic department and program.

The game was over, the showers were wet but turned off, the room was just about deserted except for a few strong souls savoring the moments of the night. They had been the center of attention, the ones to watch. The door was locked, the lights turned out. They were now a team, a unit as a whole, something to give them credit. The last of the remaining stood in silence, looking at the field, waiting for another chance.



Despite muddy conditions. Freshmen quarterback mark Krueger, manages to dodge a Lockhart defender as he look for an open receiver downfield.





JV Football	6-4-0
Cameron	6-14
Rockdale	27-0
Pflugerville	6-21
Hays	41-0
Leander	41-0
Westlake	13-0
Del Valle	20-22
Bastrop	22-8
Georgetown	6-20
Lockhart	28-6

Fish Football	4-3-3
Cameron	0-12
Rockdale	42-0
Pflugerville	0-0
Hays	6-0
Leander	0-7
Westlake	6-0
Del Valle	6-16
Bastrop	0-13
Georgetown	0-0
Lockhart	6-0



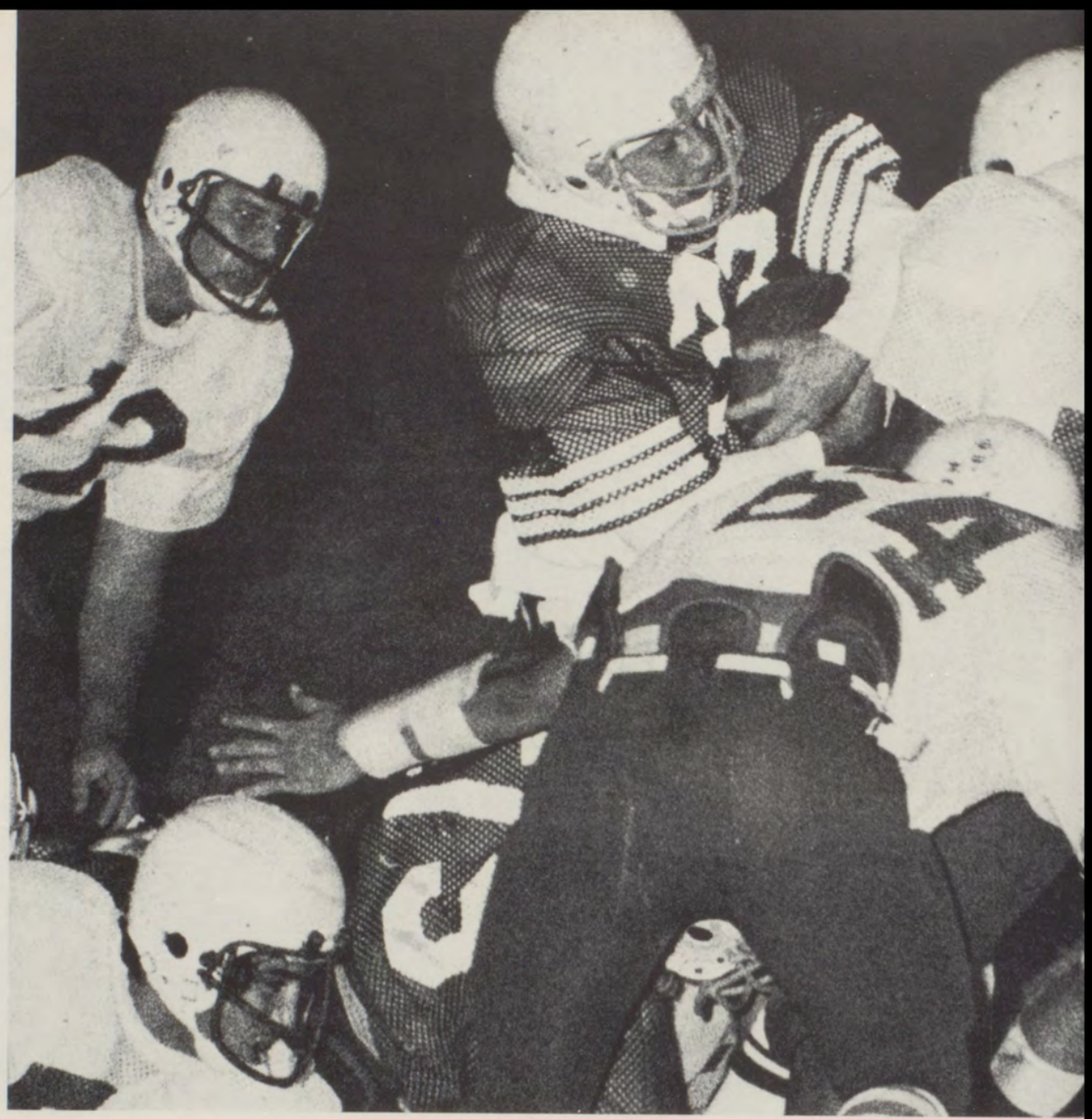




LEECH



The members of the junior varsity are (Front Row) Kenneth Townsend, Darrel Kaderka, Claudio Carrasco, Chris Blakely, Bobby Guzman, David Kaatz (Second Row) Raul Gonzales, Randy Gault, Howard McCallie, Dwayne Martin, Keith Blomquist, Bobby Frazier, Kevin Kostroan, Desmond Aldridge (Third Row) Tim Rieger, Donnie Farrel, Buddy Michna, Tom Vanacek (Back Row) Lance Stasny Johnson, Tony Patschke, Thomas Brister, Craig Cook, Kevin Leech, Chris Huff, Tommy Garner, Robert Mokry. **The members of freshmen team are** (Front Row) Robert Trevino, Keith Brooks, Martin Hernandez, Johnny Torres, Robert Simien, John Matuke, Melvin Davis (Second Row) Jeff Lloyd, Eddie Griffith, Chris Chapa, Stephen Henry, Demitrus Budd, Ernest Torres, Sebe Rivera, Curtis Tieman, Richard Torres (Third Row) Jeff Kirchoff, Tim Haverland, James Baldwin, Eddie Tealer, Rusty Wright, Scott Morales, David Filmore, Keith Bachmeyer, Coach Cmerek, Coach Nickerson (Back Row) mark Krueger, Craig Pepper, Brian Broadnax, jeff Schneider, Paul Zavala, Danny Leschber, Jim Randig, Sherman Houston, Wayne Mueller. **Breaking the line of scrimmage** proved to be only part of a runner's job as Kevin Leech prepares to stiff-arm an oncoming Georgetown coverage man. **Relationships with those on the field** often broke tension and helped ease the players. Kevin Leech and David Kaatz confer with an official before the second half kickoff.



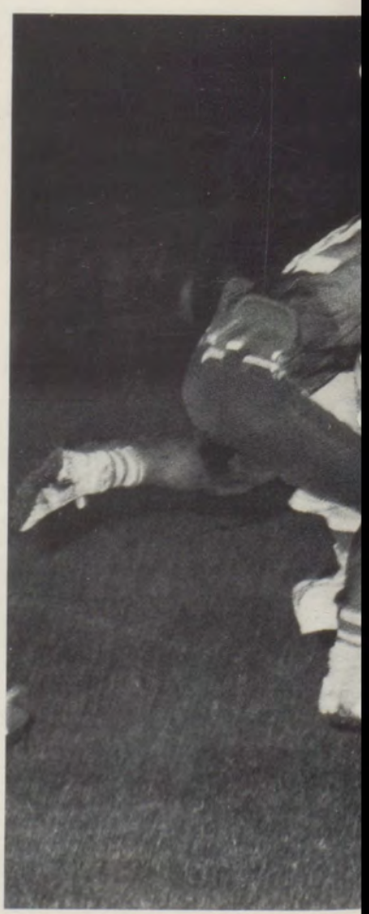
Successive gang tackling was one of the main reasons for the application Green Swarm to the Ducks defense. Jesse Ancira and Thomas Reese apply a strong blow to an oncoming and powerful Georgetown halfback.

Missing the Point:

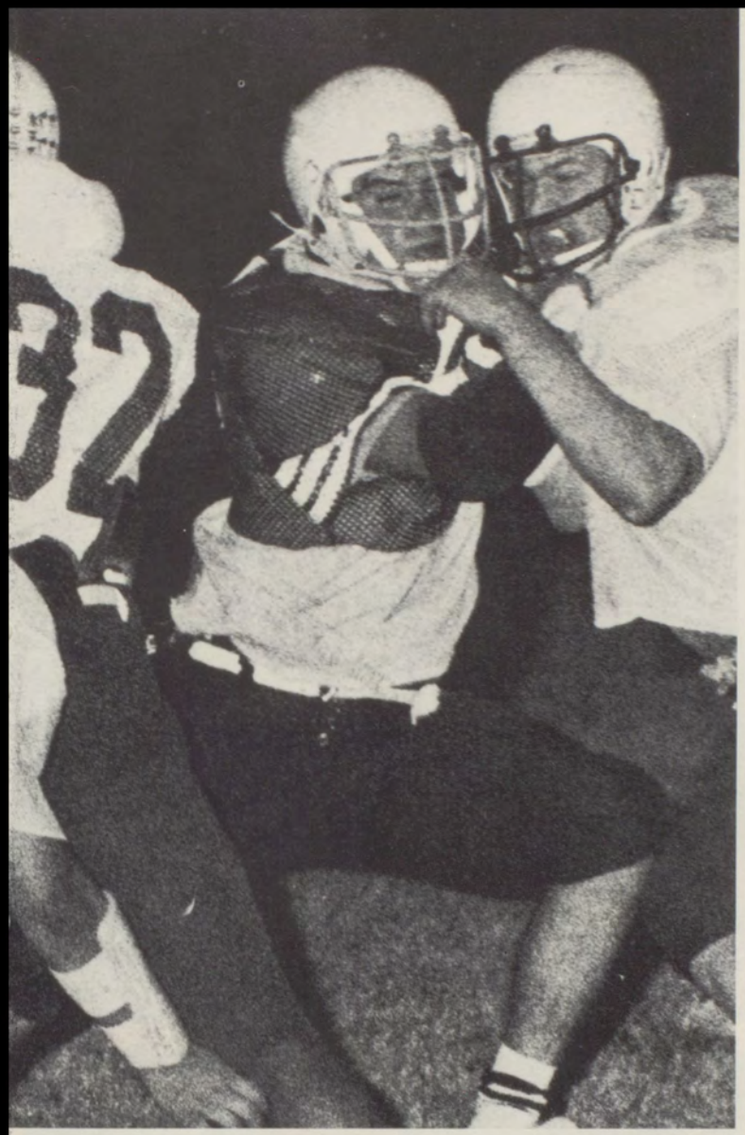
The scoreboard lights had just changed as we anxiously built up . . .

. . . in excitement and joy. The Ducks had just gone ahead of a tough Cameron team 6-0 with the easy task of an extra point conversion ensuing. Cheers broke out as the Ducks broke from the huddle and lined up for the kick. The fight song in the background exemplified every student's feelings as the snap came. The kick sailed wide left. A few grunts were heard but a missed point could not be that important. As the second half began, worried looks grew by the number as we fumbled the ball on our own ten yard line and watched a hungry Cameron team score in three plays. The kick was good. The score stood 6-7 and remained that way. So set the trend for a heartbreaking season. As the football season progressed fate seemed to play the Ducks a losing hand in all but two instances. A strong and experienced team in its second year under a veer offense slowly watched what were once district title hopes slip away to an undeserving 2-7-1 record. New problems were forever producing unwanted results thus putting a damper on our season.

As the time ticked away in a 8-24 Lockhart game, we watched our players give it their all. So it hadn't happened this year . . . No district title, only one district win. But whatever had plagued us this year, we knew that the Ducks weren't dead.



Agile running and good catching ability were both trademarks of the defensive secondary. Willie Mays runs back a tying interception.







The laws of gravity Were often defied as vicious hits seemed to turn bodies every which way. Thomas Reese is knocked loose of a reception. **Strong defensive stands** proved to be the Ducks most effective weapon as Jesse Ancira and Vernall Jackson stop a runner.



Varsity Football 2-7-1

Opp.	Score
Cameron	6-7
Rockdale	6-14
Pflugerville	6-0
Hays	14-15
Leander	26-12
Westlake	20-20
Del Valle	0-25
Bastrop	8-15
Georgetown	7-40
Lockhart	8-24







A strong leap gives Terri Moore the elevation that she needs to spike the ball gainst the Bastrop team.

Meeting the Challenge

. . . the lady ducks made a strong comeback during their second match against the dominating Georgetown team. This match was perhaps the most exciting match of the year for our Varsity team. At the beginning of season, Varsity's first game against the Eagles left them defeated with a score of 0-2. As the final stage of the volleyball season drew near, the lady ducks prepared themselves mentally and physically to conquer the lady eagles. October 21, the showdown began. The atmosphere was full of excitement and anticipation. After loosing the first game of the match, the fighting Taylor squad came back in the second to tie the score. Coming into the deciding game of the match, our team was fired up and ready to play. They gave it their best shot, but despite their great effort, the lady eagles edged past them to win.

Our Varsity team concluded the season with 15 wins and 16 losses, and 6 wins 8 losses in district competition. Junior Varsity had a record of 23-8, and 11-3 in district competition. The Freshman team did equally well with 14 wins and 3 losses, and they were credited with a record of 11-1 in district competition. "I think that this year was a building year for the team. With the majority of the Varsity players returning next year, we're anticipating the district title," commented coach, Liz Klar. Being new here was quite a challenge for coach Klar. She said that she enjoys coaching volleyball and working with the girls. Coach Klar was proud of her young team and she seemed excited about next year's schedule.





Positioned and alert, Monica Matysek displays a good defensive position as she waits for the ball.
Lunging forward, Demetria Johnson makes contact with the ball during the Freshman's successful game against Georgetown.







Practice makes perfect. Gwenda Johnson practices to perfect her skills during a Varsity workout.

Coach Klar tapes Debbie Bowden's hand to prevent further injuries during practice for district compeition.

Varsity Volleyball-6-8

Hays 0-2	Hays 0-2
Leander 1-2	Leander 2-1
Westlake 1-2	Westlake 2-1
Del-Valle 0-2	Del Valle 0-2
Bastrop 2-0	Bastop 2-0
Georgetown 0-2	Georgetown 1-2
Lockart 2-0	Lockhart 2-0



The members of the varsity team are (Front Row) Dietra Sauls, Gina Reichenbach, Gwenda Johnson, Terri Moore, Jan Tate, Shelly Hall, Willie Mae Jackson, Linda Zachary, Paula Mayberry, Penny Pavliska. (Back Row) Kelly Adams, Coach Clar.

JV Volleyball 11-3

Hays 2-0	Hays 2-1
Leander 2-0	Leander 2-0
Westlake 2-0	Westlake 0-2
Del Valle 1-2	Del Valle 1-2
Bastrop 2-0	Bastrop 2-0
Georgetown 2-1	Georgetown 2-1
Lockhart 2-0	Lockhart 2-1



The members of the junior varsity team are (Front Row) Julie Walton, Linda Zachary, Debbie Bowden, Rochelle Griffin, Renee McDonald, Donna Taylor, Michelle Griffin, Allien Bradyburg, Regina Hill, Mary Ruia, Jackie Walton, Coach Liz Klar.

Fish Volleyball 10-2

Hays 2-1	Hays 0-2
Leander 2-0	Leander 2-0
Westlake 2-1	Westlake 2-0
Del Valle 2-1	Del Valle 2-0
Georgetown 2-1	Georgetown 2-0
Lockhart 2-0	Lockhart 0-2



The members of the freshman team are (Front Row) Faye Fredricks, Michelle Jiminez, Debbie Ruiz, Deana Domingues, Karen Domingues, Diane Oviedo, Dion Bradford, Rhonda Leschber. (Back Row) Sonya Ross, Demitria Jonnson, Silvia Gamez, Liz Klar, Edyie Johnson, Mattie Deary, Monica Matysek.



Putting on the pressure is Michael Gonzales as Dario Connars dribbles downcourt during practice.

Short of the Top

Dribbling downcourt . . .

. . . was Senior, Brian Hubbard. Immediately, we gained possession of the ball and Lawrence (Pop) Wright scored the first two points of the game. The crowd cheered with much enthusiasm as the Taylor team overpowered the Dripping Springs Tigers. By the end of the second quarter, we had advanced twelve points ahead of our opponents.

The second quarter was an entirely different episode. Dripping Springs came back on the rampage to narrow the margin, thus; leaving Taylor ahead by only two points going into halftime.

Despite the desperate effort of the Tigers, we defeated them in a remarkable double overtime in the Taylor Invitational Tournament. Our victory over the Tigers advanced us to the championship game, but we were unable to capture the title as Bastrop edged past us to receive the first place trophy.

We were a good team, but we never really made it to the top. Critics called us the upsetters because we often defeated teams against the odds. Our season record was 15-19. Two team members were given district recognition. Senior, James Marek made the All-District second team, while Senior, Elmo Griffin received honorable mention.

The Junior Varsity team was coached by coach Michalik. Those promising young athletes displayed talent as they captured first place in the Pflugerville tournament. The Freshman team was divided into groups. Together they had a season record of 15-15.

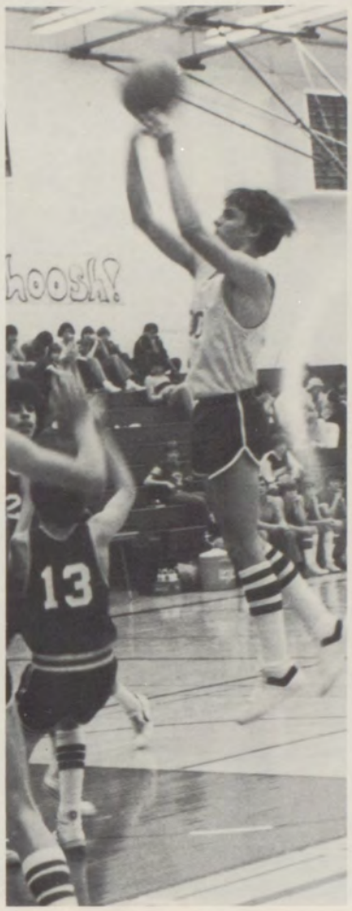
Overall, our basketball teams had a season of ups and downs. We were true competitors, but we never made the "big time." We fell short of reaching the top.





Doing a reverse lay-up, Lawrence (Pop) Wright scores two points to help the Ducks defeat the Leander Lions. **Fighting defensive pressure** from a Leander guard, Tony Patsche extends his arms to receive a pass.





Shooting a jump shot from the top of the circle is Freshman, Mark Krueger.



Knees slightly bent, fingertips touching the floor, looking straight ahead, Danny Leschber is in position for a couple of "mad Dogs" during work-out.

Freshman Basketball
15-15

TOURNAMENT	AWARDS
Hutto	4th place
Pflugerville	2nd place



The members of the freshman team are (Front Row) manager, Robert Trevino, Michael Hill, Robert Simien, Kirven Jackson, Eddie Griffith, Keith Bachmeyer, Chris Chapa, Edward Banks, **(Back Row)** Craig Pepper, Stephen Henry, Jeff Kirkoff, Mark Krueger, Danny Leschber, Wayne Mueller, Brian Broadnax and David Filmore.

Junior Varsity Basketball

TOURNAMENT	AWARDS
Lampasas	Consolation
Pflugerville	1st Place



The members of the JV team are (Front Row) Chris Huff, Carl McDonald, Reggie Robinson, Desmond Aldridge, Lance Bland, **(Back Row)** Bobby Frazier, David Ash, Tony Patsche, Kevin Leech and Clay Sakewitz.

Varsity Basketball
15-19

TOURNAMENT	AWARDS
Georgetown	Consolation
Belton	3rd Place
Taylor	2nd Place
All District Selections	
James Marek	2nd Team
Elmo Griffin	Honorable Mention



The members of the varsity team are (Front Row) Adrian Scott, Alvin Thomas, James, Jackson, Michael Gonzales, **(Back Row)** Craig Cook, Elmo Griffin, James Marek, Frian Hubbard and Lawrence Wright.



Going for a layup is Varsity team member Gina Reichenback. Determined to win she made her shot easily.

Taking It to the Hoop:

As the ball continued to bounce . . .

. . . the fight between our Lady Duck Varsity team and the Austin High Maroons raged on. Throughout the game, the Lady Ducks and the Maroons managed to keep their scores competively close. Finally in the last few seconds of the game, a Lady Duck took the ball to the hoop to secure another win for our team.

Coach Danny Potts was very confident about his varsity team. We had a season record of fifteen wins and sixteen losses, which proved that we were capable of winning. We won third place and consolation in two season tournaments, and we ended the season with fifth place in district. The return of Varsity members next year brought about the hope of an even season with experience in our favor.

The Junior Varsity team did tremendously well. We won district with a record of . We also won first place at the

The young freshman Lady Ducks showed the potential to be champions as future Junior Varsity and Varsity players. They were very easy to coach because they were anxious and responsive to instructions. Demetria Johnson was a Freshman with a great talent for basketball. She was switched from the Freshman team early in the season and transferred to the Varsity team. She was often the high point player credited with scoring as many as twenty-points in a single game.

Taking it to the hoop. That's what the game was all about. We knew we had to score to win, and we knew we had to take it to the hoop to score. Our daily workouts were directed toward sharpening our skills at shooting, passing, catching and dribbl ing. We relied on those skills to utilize the fast break and score to win.





Laying it up easy, Debbie Bowden beats her opponent to the basket to score two points against Crockett. ***Keeping the ball low,*** Demitria Johnson hustles to prevent a Georgetown guard from stealing the ball.





Diane Ovieda draws back to deliver a one-handed pass down court to her teammate. ***Jumping high, Linda Zachary*** tries to tip the ball to one of the lady Ducks during a Varsity game against Crockett.



The members of the freshman team are Mattie Deary, Cheryl Marshall, Jewel Hartly, Dion Bradford, Faye Fredricks, Amanda Olivarez, Diane Ovieda, Monica Matysek, Delores Gols, and Coach Klar.

Taylor Lady Ducks (Varsity)

District Basketball Scores

Taylor	36	Hay	52
Taylor	30	Leander	45
Taylor	34	Westlake	44
Taylor	34	Del Valle	61
Taylor	37	Bastrop	35
Taylor	51	Georgetown	53
Taylor	68	Lockhart	44



The members of the JV Team are Isabel Coleman, Reanee McDonald, Sandra Fredricks, Donna Taylor, Regina Hill, Debbie Bowden, Polly Coleman, Gina Reichenbach, and Coach Klar.

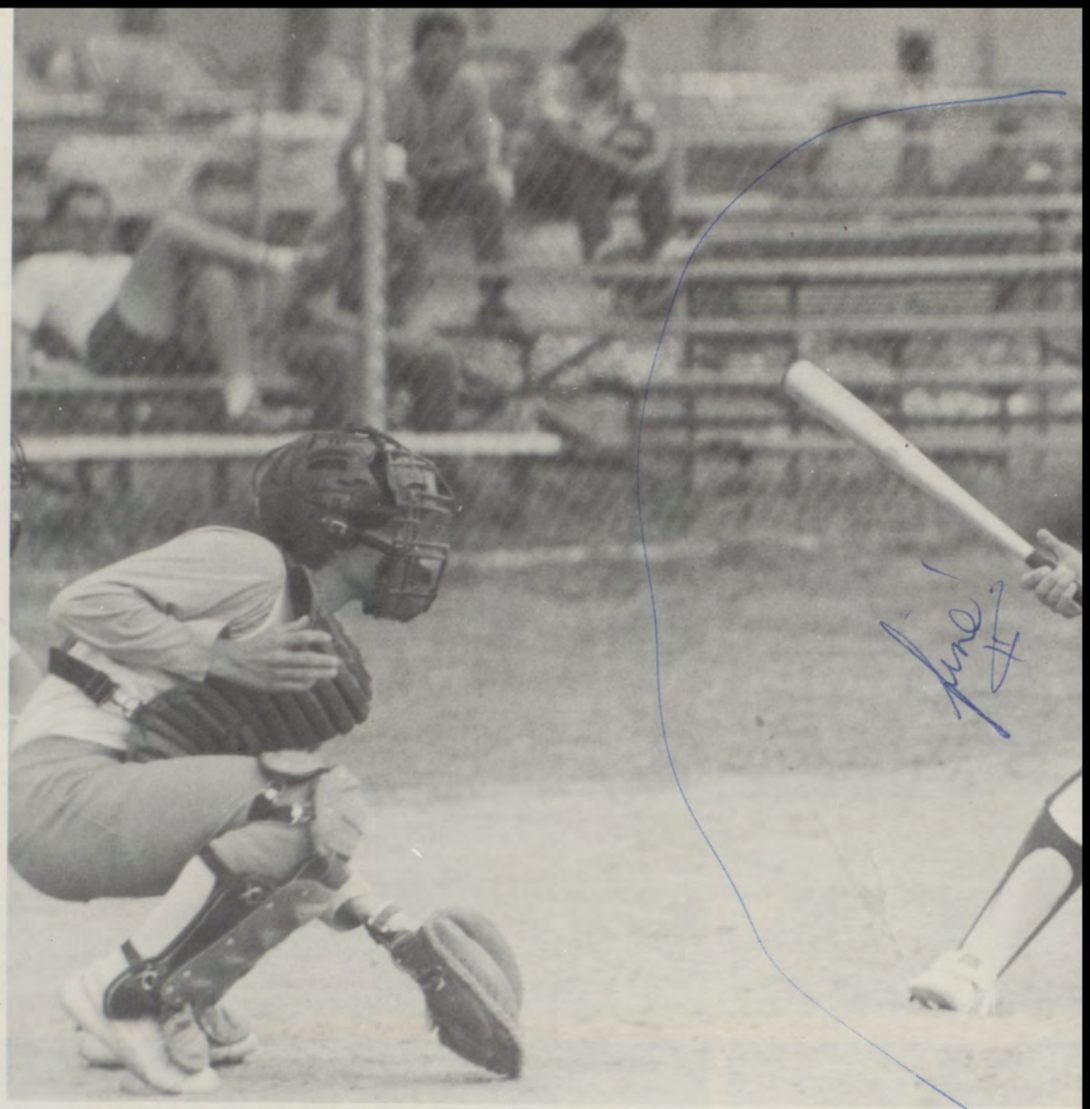
Taylor Lady Ducks (JV)

District Basketball Scores

Taylor	59	Hay	65
Taylor	39	Leander	43
Taylor	25	Westlake	42
Taylor	56	Del Valle	62
Taylor	53	Bastrop	45
Taylor	30	Georgetown	27
Taylor	55	Lockhart	42



The members of the varsity team are Demetria Johnson, Gwenda Johnson, Dietra Sauls, Jackie Sherek, Linda Zackary, Shelly Hall, Terri Moore, Tina Schneider, Willie Mae Jackson, Ellen Nelson.



Concentrating on hitting the ball is Kevin Leech. Each individual was known for his special stance and way of batting. Leech was included in the three who were disqualified from the varsity squad midway through the year.

Strike Three, Varsity's Out

We were on our way . . .

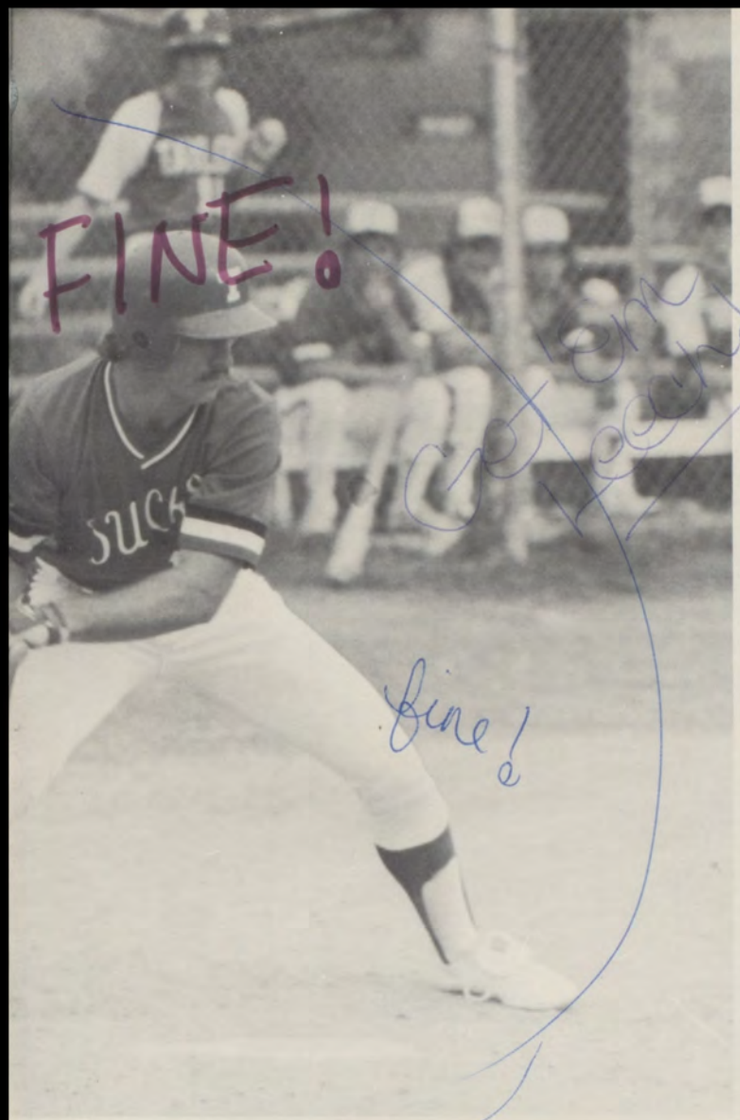
to District when UIL enforced the residency rule. Because of thi this small misgiving, junior Kevin Leech, Kenny Kropp, and Mark Kropp were demoted to Junior Varsity squad. According to UIL regulations all Varsity members must live within the school district with his legal guardian (s) at least thirty days before the beginning of the first practice of the season. All three met the thirty day requirement but they also lived in Taylor without parental guidance.

Because the three boys were playing Varsity baseball illegally they were penalized by having to forfeit the previous eight wins in which they had played in. This left Taylor with only one win and sixteen loses (eight of which were forfeits). This hurt Taylor badsly and therefore lost their standing of their tie for second on the way to district.

The team was well on their way to possibly going to district and competing for the state title. Leech coments, "It was really shocking . . . and disappointing." All three of the former Varsity players were important to the team. They were sorely missed and the outcome showed it.



Resting on the fence wasn't the only place to take a breather. Kevin Kostrum and Mark Krueger await their turn. ***Thinking things over*** by getting away from the crowd is Jim Randig. J.V. ***Baseball players*** are: (FRONT ROW): Trainer Lance Bland, Kenny Kropp, Jason Rickter, Chris Chapa, Sebe Rivera, and Curtis Tiemann. (SECOND ROW): Kevin Kostrum, Jim Randig, Scott Stasny, Tim Rieger, Brad Dawson, Tony Perez, Keith Backmayer, and Mark Kropp. (BACK ROW): Coach Ray Amaro, Danny Leshber, Mark West, Mike Randig, Clay Sakewitz, Craig Pepper, and David Kaatz.







With their eyes on the game the varsity players watch the J.V. game with interest. *Bent over* and ready for the ball is Mark West. Fielders must always anticipate the batter. *Varsity Baseball players* are: (FRONT ROW): Trainer Lance Bland, Greg Cervenka, Dean Threadgill, Lance Johnson, and Mark Krueger. (SECOND ROW): James Mokry, Carl Zackary, Mike Qualls, Tony Patschke, Leonard Olivarez, and Russell Kovar. (BACK ROW): Terry Rickter, Kevin Freels, James Marek, Steve Lawhon, Kirby Sakewitz, and Coach Kenny Cmerek.



Varsity Baseball 14-12

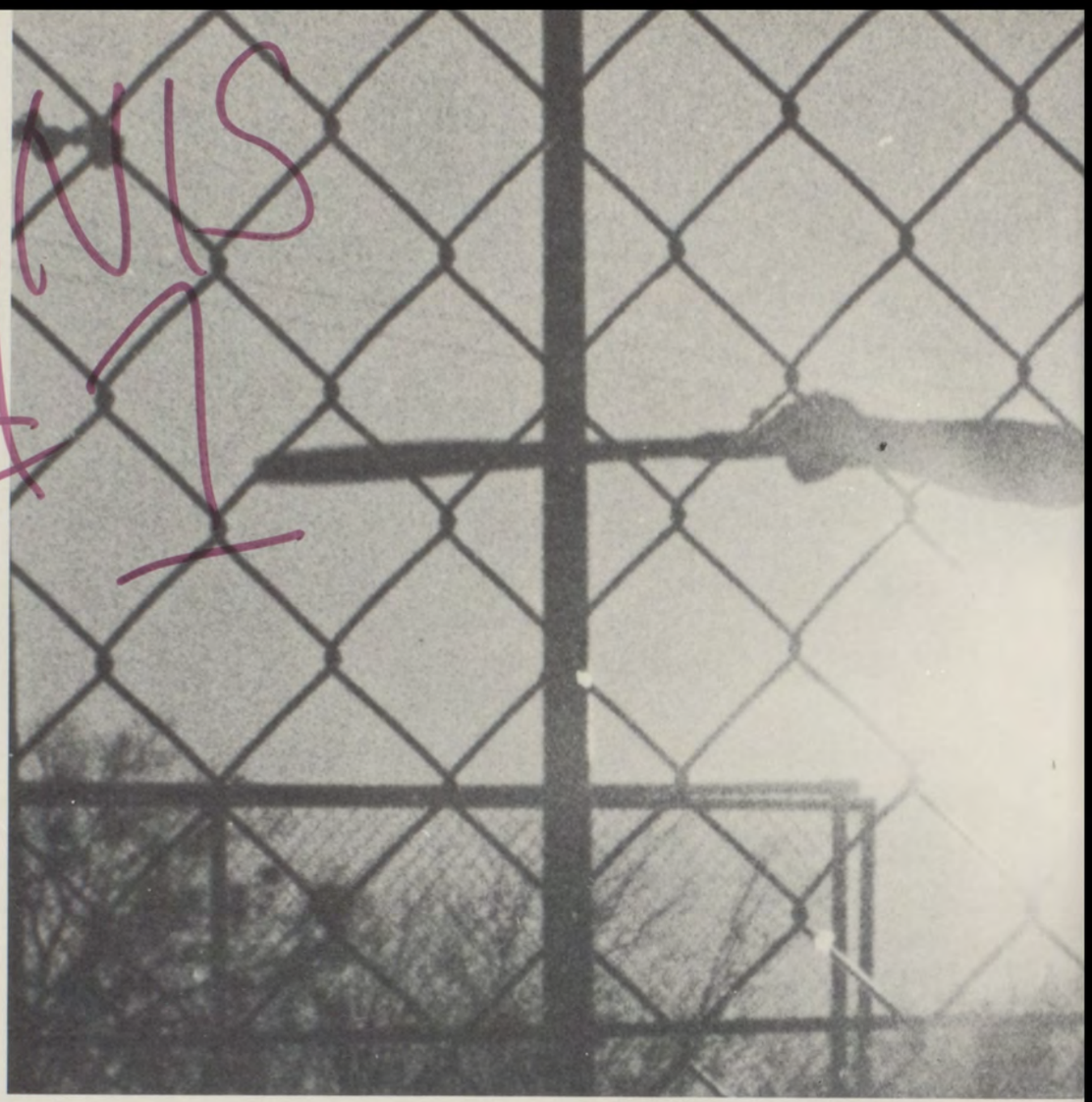
opp.	score
Hays	12-3
Leander	10-2
Westlake	4-5
Del Valle	0-3
Bastrop	3-1
Georgetown	11-7
Lockhart	3-2
Hays	3-4
Leander	6-5
Westlake	0-6
Del Valle	10-6
Bastrop	16-3
Georgetown	6-8
Lockhart	2-1
J.V. Baseball	12-6-1
Hays	10-4
Leander	3-5
Westlake	6-3
Del Valle	5-8
Bastrop	8-7
Georgetown	0-12
Lockhart	7-12
Leander	10-13
Westlake	4-4
Del Valle	2-1
Bastrop	6-1
Georgetown	6-2
Lockhart	5-2







TENNIS



The setting sun was seen by many tennis players. The hours spent working on small problems added up quickly. The graceful style of this athlete was emphasized by the glow of the sun.

Success Year Round

WAY TO GO!

We've made it! Again!!

Spending weekends out of town with friends, getting dismissed from school one or even two times a week and soaking in the sun hours on end sounds like a great way to spend a season, huh? Well, this is the brighter side of the long, hard, grueling days each and every tennis player experienced.

Starting in January and continuing all the way through the summer we devoted any spare time we had to perfect little problems, such as net shots, serves, and backhand shots.

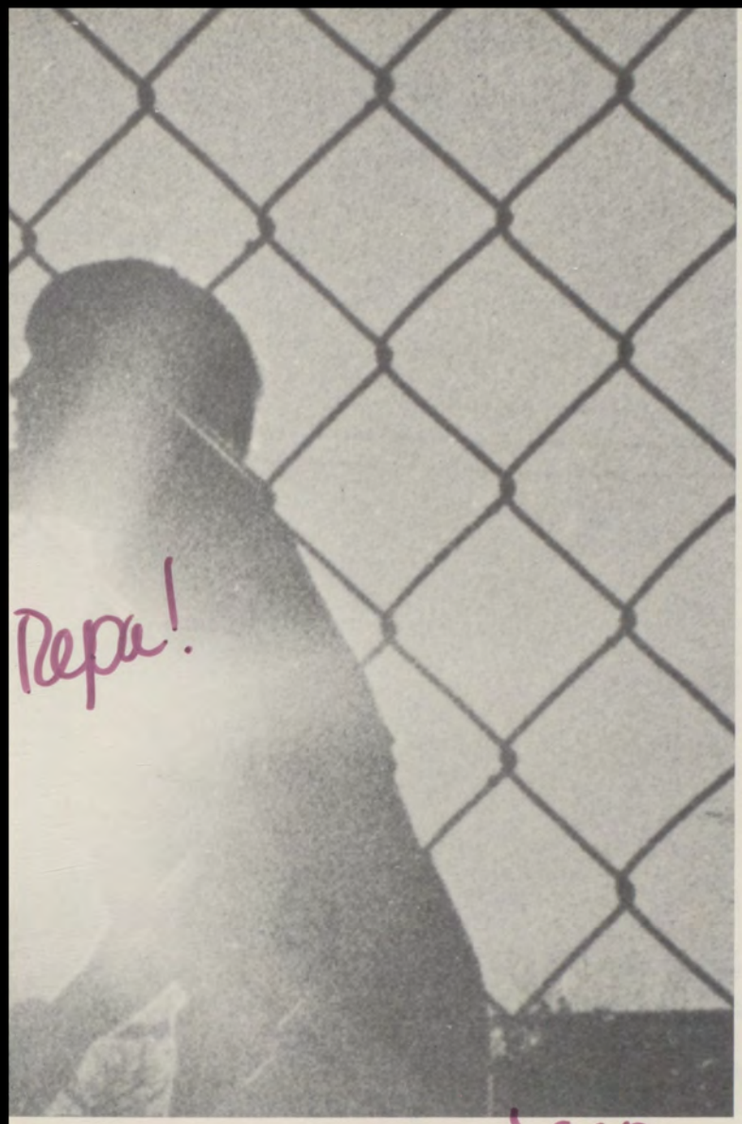
On the average a dedicated daily member spent as many as four hours a day on the court running lines, returning balls, and playing one to one practice points.

The highlight of the year was attending the state team competition held in Abilene. Along with approximately sixteen other teams we struggled to win every point, game, and match in order to take the trophy home with us. Our long practices most definitely paid off because once again we won the title of 4A State Team Champs.

This year the girls doubles made it all the way to state competition held in Austin. The girls came in second, loosing to a team from Uvalde. Only two weeks before Kim Poldrack, senior, and Donna Kaspar, junior, defeated the two in regional tournament. The year was completely a success.



Concession stand workers were needed to bring in a little extra cash. At all in town tournaments refreshments were available to thirsty, exahusted tennis players. Coach Botello gives Jimmy Weise a helping hand in the stand. ***Behind the base line*** is Russell Becker awaiting to return a shot.

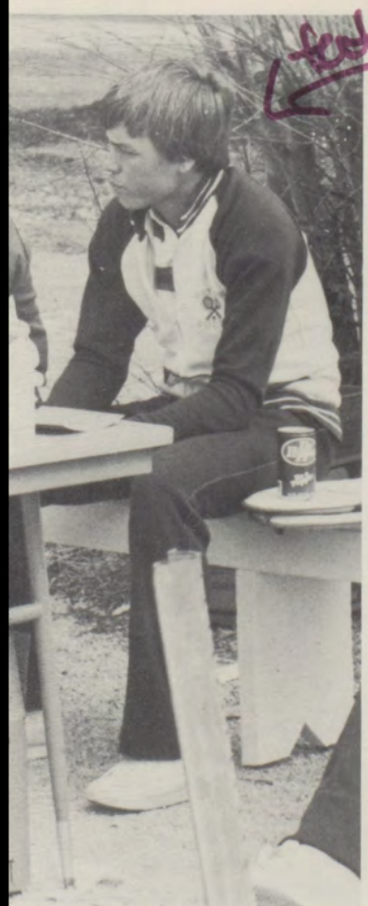






Tennis — Dual Match 20-0

opp.	score
Round Rock	14-4
Austin High	12-6
Temple	18-0
Westlake	14-4
Round Rock	14-4
Killeen Ellison	17-1
Bastrop	18-0
New Braunfels Canyon	18-0
McCallum	17-1
Westlake	11-2
Georgetown	13-5
Fort Stickton	16-1
New Braunfels	12-1
Kernville	13-0
Georgetown	4-1
Austin High	6-2
Georgetown	5-3
Temple	6-2
Leander	11-1
McCallum	8-1

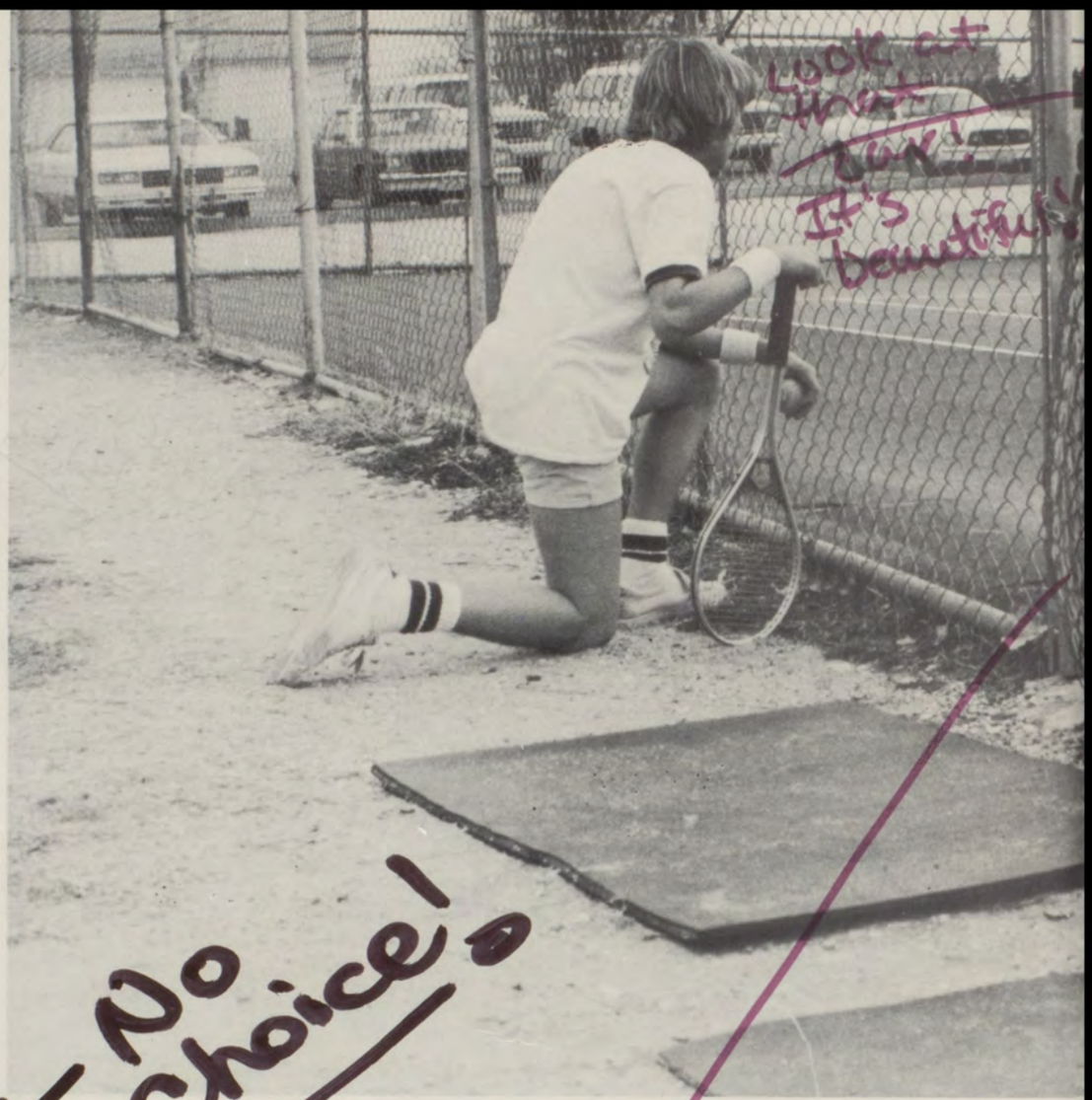


Two handed backhands were used mostly by girls. Shelly Meiske shows her style during one of her doubles matches. ***No, the ball isn't glued to the racket.*** Kevin Spiller puts his all into his serve. ***Varsity Tennis players*** are: (FRONT ROW): Kristie Krenek, Donna Kaspar, Kim Poldrack, Sharon Schaefer, Karen Harris, Shelly Meiske, Michele Brueckner, and Connie Frankeny. (BACK ROW): Coach Larry Safarik, Joe Talesek, Roger Wilson, Keith Repa, Russell Becker, Vlado Ruzicka, Kevin Spiller, and Bobby Frazier. All tangled up over his serve is Varsity member Jimmy Weise. Weise has been on a tennis team for over seven years and is the only senior boy on the Varsity squad.









Watching other teammates was often one way a tennis player learned of ways of correcting problems. Troy Lane observes Jimmy Weise's serving form during a dual match.

Living Up to the Name!

Following the tradition . . .

of a winning Tennis State Championship title isn't quite as easy as someone might think", Junior Varsity member, Nancy Stover, recalls a thought about her envolvement with the team. Around the state Taylor has been known for its experienced and superb Tennis program.

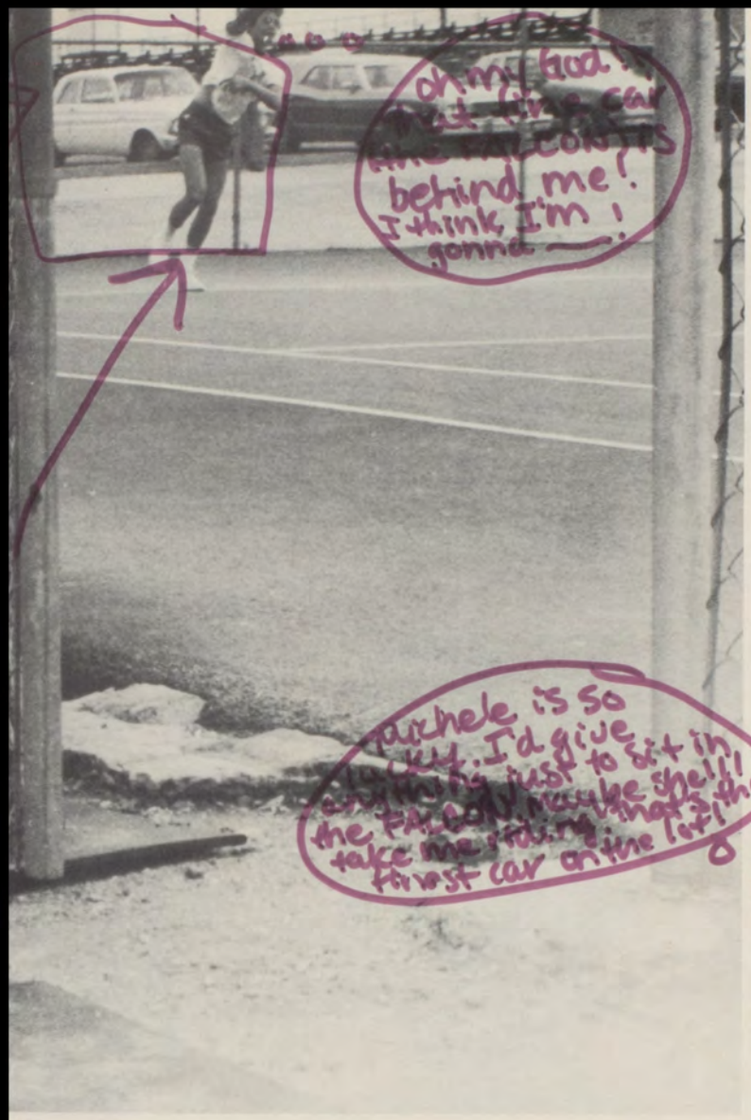
When we came to the courts for our first practice all we knew was that alot would be expected from us, not only from our coach but also from our teammates, especially the Varsity squad. All we could think about was following the tradition of winning. We must continue the reputation of perfection.

Starting with basically an all freshman team, the Junior Varsity was inexperienced when it came to a more mature type of game. The matches required more concentration and much more dedication. The seasons a J.V. member goes through test his stability to remain with the tennis program.

There is alot to live up to when a person is a member of a Junior Varsity squad. The years of recognition that the Varsity have attained lay heavily on the mind of a younger member with hopes of advancing upward. We followed the tradition and tried to maintain the high ratings of what was known as one of the finest tennis teams in the state. The hard work was worth it.



Donkey riding instead of playing tennis? Peyton Cross shows the art of riding bareback during the Donkey Basketball game. ***Discussing*** partners for a dual meet is Coach Larry Safarik, J.V. girls Claire Bartosh and Rhonda Leschber and Varsity's Donna Kaspar. ***Nike mania!*** One tennis player transforms his shoes into the famous and traditional Nike brand.







A seat on the car and an interest of the game. Kim Poldrack, Donna Kaspar, Claire Bartosh, and Jolynn Schaefer spend a restful moment between matches during the Taylor tourney. ***Laying down for a little rest*** was needed after hours of playing in the hot sun, Karen Harris and Leslie Jacobson discuss the team's winnings. ***J.V. tennis members*** are: (FRONT ROW): Nancy Stover, Jolynn Schaefer, Peyton Cross, Diana Dominguez, and Claire Bartosh. (BACK ROW): Coach Larry Safarik, Troy Lane, Leslie Jacobson, Rhonda Leschber, Marty Hernandez, and Hecfor Garcia.



Tennis-Tournaments, 1st places — 9 place
Taylor Team
New Braunfels
Region 4 Team (Kerrville)
State Team (Abilene)
Canyon
Corpus Christi
Taylor Optimist
Mason
District 14AAAA

I want everyone to get at it like the FALCON!









Judge #1 approaches Johnny Guzman who just won the mile run. After winning, the exhaustion was overwhelmed by how proud he was of his run.

Sticking Together

Running, Jumping, Vaulting, hurdling, and throwing . . .

Running, jumping, vaulting, hurdling, and throwing . . . were just the physical aspects of the competition in Track. The mental status of our track team played an important role in keeping us together as a group in an atmosphere of team work.

The supportiveness and giving each other confidence helped our team stick together like a family.

Coach Nickerson quoted "It takes support and effort of the whole group to make a successful track team."

We had five boys go to Regional competition this year at Corpus Christi. They were: Desmond Aldrige, Willie Mayes, Thomas Reese, Ronnie Wilson, and Lawrence Wright. Also we had a State Winner for the girls competition. Bringing home an almost broken State Record. Terri Moore now has a set goal for next year to break the triple jump record by a ¼ of an inch.

We were very proud of these individuals that advanced in their specific sport event. Long, hard, workouts paid off for them. Even though everybody could not go to state finals, we each felt important as a part of the team knowing that a fellow track mate advanced to a higher acknowledgement. This made us a proud team.

We kept our team spirit going with faith in each other. Not only as an athlete, but as an individual too.



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The members of the boys track team are: **(Row)** Coach Nickerson, Adrian Scott, Eddie Tealer, Tommy Garner, Randy Gault, Johnny Woodridge Bobby Guzman, Carl Hatley, Desmond Aldridge, Stephenie Moore (Trainer), Alvin Thomas. **(Middle Row)** Tony Guiterrez, Claudio Carrasco, James Jackson, Kevin Leech, Thomas Reese, Willie Mayes, Lawrence Wright, Brian Hubbard, Ronnie Wilson, Lisa Phillips (Trainer) Chris Blakely. **(Front Row)** Tim Haverland, Andy Thompson, Eddie Griffith, Jeff Kirkoff, Jeff Llyod, Dwayne Martin, Danny Leschber, Reggie Robinson, David Filmore, Johnny Guzman, Darrell Washington.

The members of the girls track team are **(Back Row)** Gina Reichenback, Lillie Mae Hunt, Lisa Baily, Polly Coleman, Terri Moore, Edyie Jackson, Regina Hill, Kiddy Johnson. **(Middle Row)** Debbie Bowden, Mary Ruiz, Lisa Johnson, Dennis Johnson, Karen Wooldridge, Penny Bachmeyer, Cheryl Wade, Donna Ta[illegible], Theresa Fredrick, Mary Walton, Jennifer Koenig, **(Front Row)** Coach Klar, Dlores Gola, Dianne Oviedo, Karen Dominguez, Deon Smith, Amanda Olivarez, Faye Robinson, Renita Johnson, [illegible] Humandez, Debbie Ruiz, Coach Potts.







Stretching her legs, Terri Moore leaps across the pit to reach a jump of which captured first place in Taylor. **Clearing the last hurdle,** Alvin (Pitt) Thomas runs to beat his opponent to the finish line. **Exchanging smiles,** Cotton Boll Relays queen, Michelle Brueckner gleams radiantly as last years queen, Miriam Balduff congratulates her.



Holding his golf club, Darrell Kaderka judges the distance that he needs to score a hole in one.

Doing It on Our Own

The thrill of victory or . . .

. . . the agony of defeat. All athletes as individuals experience each of those during their involvement in sports. Victory is much more appreciated and it brings greater satisfaction when it is achieved through individual effort. Just ask James Marek, Eddie Wrinkle or any participant in our Intramural sports program or our golf team.

We had five sports in our intramural sports program which was supervised by coach Leon Nickerson. Three of the five sports, arm wrestling, free throw shooting and table tennis were individual sports. The other sports were basketball and volleyball. The program started about six years ago. Its purpose was to provide recreation and enjoyment for students as well as faculty during the lunch hour.

Our golf team had only 7 members. Its importance did not depend on the number of players. It depended on the performance of each of the participants.

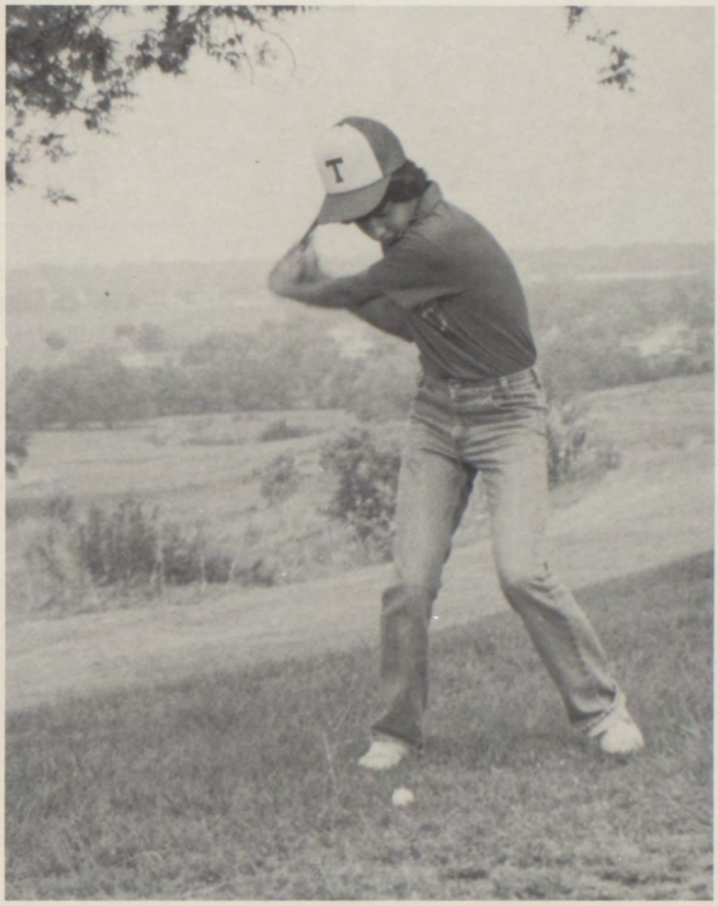
Our team was even more unique because the players had to instruct themselves due to the fact that coach Cowart transfered before the season ended.



Making contact with the ball, Senior, James Marek prepares to hit it back across the net.
With a back-hand swing, Kristi Krenik makes a good return to her opponent during an intramural table tennis game.









Teeing off, Sophomore, Stephen Gonzales practices at the Taylor country club to improve his score. ***Carrying the bag,*** Darrell Kaderka talks with Stephen Gonzales as they walk along the golf course.

The members of the golf team are: Stephen Gonzales, Darrell Kaderka, Eddie Wrinkle, James Baldwin.

GOLF TEAM	LOW SCORES
James Wagner	123
John Schmidt	112
Johnny Gonzales	
James Baldwin	103
Darrell Kaderka	101
Eddie Wrinkle	100
Stephen Gonzales	98



Personalities Enliven Relationships

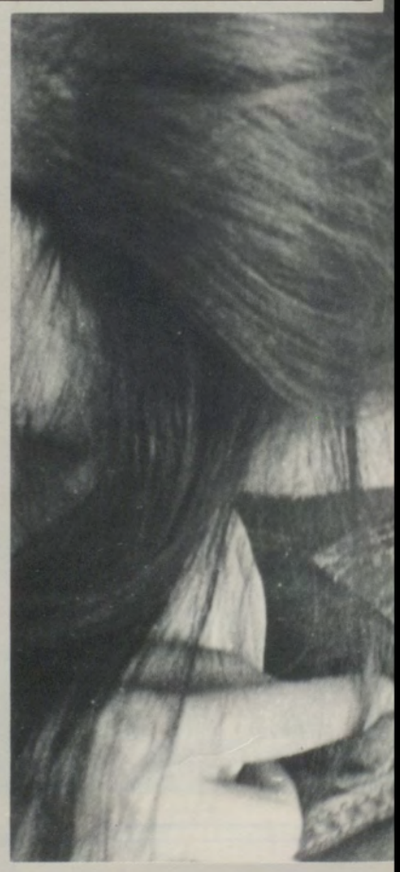




Everyone had friendships of some kind, it was taken for granted. Few people stopped to think how the people we spent our days and nights with made our lives special. Classrooms and textbooks are a part of every school. What adds dimension to a rather flat picture are the people.

With all the changes in our school we clung to our familiar group of friends to stabilize the disruption in our lives. Familiar faces seemed to sympathize with our confusion.

Yet, around every corner seemed to be a new face. Many clubs welcomed new sponsors and the freshman class, both offered possibilities for meeting new people and starting new relationships. Yes, we were all individuals, with personalities particular only to ourselves. Yet this individuality meant nothing until it was contrasted with the personalities of our friends. And that is why sharing made our lives special.



A picnic gives Janine Schultz, Michelle Schultz, Debbie Bowden and Ely Dlugos a chance to be together. **Sharing a pillow** Linda Brown and Jason Sefcik sleep on the bus to THSPA convention.

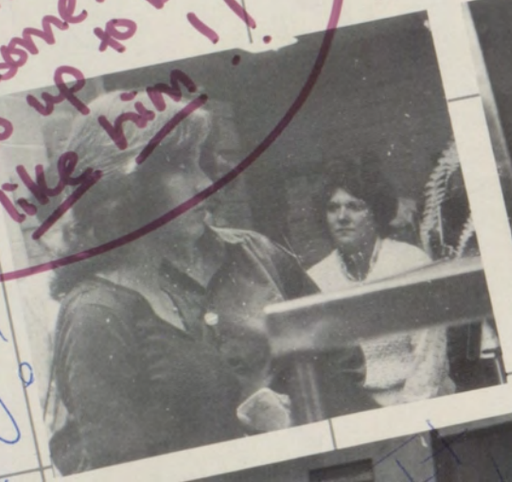
SHAR



ING MADE IT SPECIAL

Hey everyone! Look, there's my wonderful dad behind me! Isn't he great? And handsome. I hope I grow up to be just like him!!

Ride 'em Shelly!











Gee Ti Shelly!

father & daughter

Donkey Champ!





Sorting through carnations, FTA member Sandra Sobotik prepares to help deliver the club's money making product.
Awaiting service, Cheryl Jansky patronizes the band booster spaghetti supper.
Donkey basketball was the tennis team's chief fundraiser. Here Shelly Meiske takes her mount out on the gym floor.
Serving at the Spanish Club's annual Mexican buffet is Shelly Hall.
Arranging items to be sold at the NHS rummage sale, members Penny Pavliska and Regina price the merchandise.



▲Photo by Barry Cravens

Selling the Goods

Raising the Cash

by Marc Brown

Belonging to and actively participating in a club or organization offered a number of interesting learning opportunities. One of the most common lessons learned by belonging to a club was that of good salesmanship. Since all clubs had to pay their bills, they had to in some way raise money to cover expenses. These fundraisers often involved selling something. Whether it was actual merchandise or a ticket to a buffet or car wash, we quickly became accustomed to selling things for this club or that organization.

Being in a club however, was not just selling things. Each organization utilized the profits from the sales of magazines, caps and supper tickets to cover various costs. These expenditures included conventions, banquets, parties, scholarships and various charities.

Most of us did not really mind bringing things for bake sales, and selling the variety of items for our respective organizations. We realized that we were working for ourselves as well as the club.



Above All, We Learned How to Yell

The curtains folded aside. The loud applause of the audience was heard all through . . . the empty halls as Mrs. Tennil announced her name through the deafening microphone. The whole enormous stage now belonged to the nervous little girls who had been practiced her cheers and stunts for the past three weeks. She began her cheer with a little squeak and as she gained confidence, her voice graduatlly strengthened. She continued with her stunts and hurriedly ran off the stage with a big confused smile.

Cheerleading tryouts was an ordinary site for the student body, hówver, the determination for trying out was known only by us, who had experienced it. These tryouts would also influence our position as cheerleader the following year.

Our position as cheerleaders reflected on the spirit of the team members and fans. We began by attending cheerleading camp at SMU, where we learned new chants and stunts. We were judged on the presentation of these yells and as an award, we received a spirit stick.

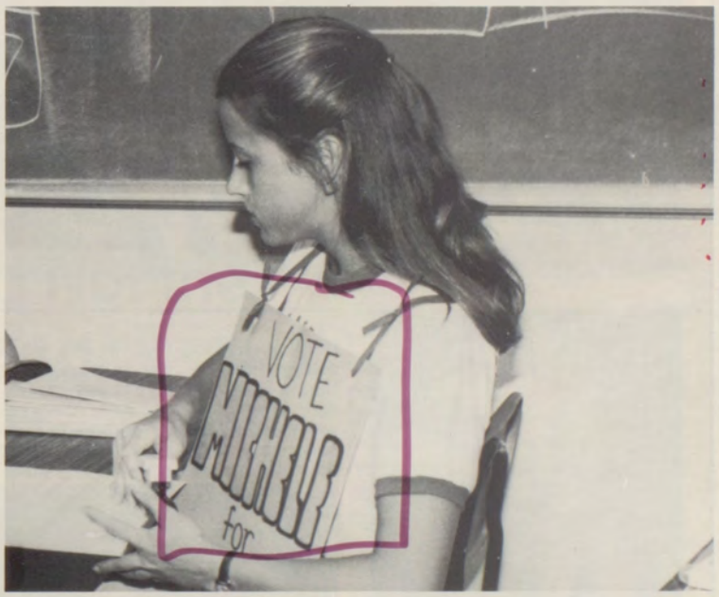
As football season drew near, we began making wooden ducks that would be placed on the football players' front yard. We decorated their locker rooms, cars and the field house with hundred of signs to encourage their spirit

Skipping around the bonfire, Missy Little, Johanna Leshikar and Becky Bulgerin lead the Duck fans around the bonfire to promote the spirit before the Football game against Georgetown.
The 1980-81 Varsity Cheerleaders are: Kathy Griffin Becky Bulgerin, Amy Casey, Johanna Leshikar, Karen Naivar and Missy Little. ***Wearing a signboard,*** Donna Casper campaigns for Michele Brueckner for Varsity Cheerleader. ***A hug of congratulations*** was given by Missy Little to Amy Casey for being selected Varsity Cheerleader for 1982.
The 1980-81 Jr. Varsity Cheerleaders are: Sonya Ross, Vickie Farrell, Sharon Naivar, Cheryl Wade, Sandra Motal and Shelly Meiske.









for the following game. To help encourage the spirit within the student body, we had Crazy Sock Day and 50's Day. We also gave out the spirit stick to the most spirited class or organization.

She looked back at all of the wonderful times she had as a cheerleader and realized that she had changed in many ways. She had promoted the spirit within the team members and fans, she and the other cheerleaders became a closer family and above all she had learned to yell. Maybe she wouldn't be remembered as the terrified little girl who could yell no louder than a tiny mouse.



The 1980-1981 Hi-Steppers are: (FRONT ROW): Miriam Balduff, Brenda Urbanek; second lieut. Karen Harris; co-capt. Jeanne Popplez; capt. Melanie Sakewitz, Monica Cuba; first lieut. (SECOND ROW): Sylvia Sandoval, Shelley Hall, Arlene Alvarez, Christi Leshber, Kara Petrus, and Regina Perez. (THIRD ROW): Debbie Thompson, Jennifer Zavala, Sharon Marburger, Amy Kasparek, Sandra Sobotik, Coty Balusek and Teresa Bowden. (BACK ROW): Joy Harris, Karen Motal, Monica Dykowski, Leslie Jacobson, Nancy Cummings, Sherill Ripple and Linda Ging. Not pictured is Sherri Shamard.







Holding her leg high in the air is Jeanne Popplez. The grand finale at Spring Show allowed the girls to show their talents, as does Amy Kasparek with a beautiful split. **Halftime at football games** is only a small part of what Steppers do. Karen Harris and Melanie Sakewitz perform to Hot Stuff.
Gotta be a macho man! Miriam Balduff does her impression of the construction worker in The Village People. **Watching with interest** is the officers of 1980-81. Each Tuesday before football games Hi-Steppers had to try out. Monica Cuba, Jeanne Popplez, Brenda Urbanek, and Miriam Balduff judge them.







Begging for money? Yes, in a way. The Hi-Steppers join with the Lions Club and collect donations for the blind during "White Cane Day." Debbie Thompson and Linda Ging wait outside the doors of H.E.B. for someone to come.

◂photo by Stella Flores

Not the End . . . The Beginning



We're in the twilight zone. Melanie Sakewitz and Monica Cuba put their own talents into their duet.

Tears filled our eyes with both happiness and sorrow while listening to Dotty Rambo, sponsor of the Hi-Steppers, make her address to the senior Steppers during Spring Show. The year was a hard and long one, but the love and devotion that the twenty-seven member drill team had for each other and for dancing itself could not be replaced by any other form of accomplishment. More than half of the team consisted of graduating seniors. These seventeen girls led the team with spirit and guided the new through experiences every Stepper must learn.

Because the majority of the team consisted of three year members the year could go nowhere but up. Starting with the football games all the way through Spring Show we tried our hardest and worked until we were perfected. Even though sometimes we thought it might not be worth it, the audience and their applause always reminded us that we were appreciated.

Not only are the Steppers known for dancing but they are also becoming involved with other organizations. Joining with the Lions Club the girls collected donations for the blind and received $200 as a profit. Charity work was also done during the assembly of local volunteer Fire Departments held in Taylor.

As the year came to an end the seniors graduated and new members gained the recognition of becoming one of the best known drill teams in Central Texas. Another year passed and once again we're starting over.



Expressing Ourselves

Rehearsing around the piano was found enjoyable to the Taylor Girls' Choir, it gave them a change of scenery from their regular seating arrangement and also a chance to express their own musical talent by playing the piano.

Music began with the most primitive man. We were all born with a great musical instrument, our voice. We used our instrument in many ways — to express our thoughts, our actions and ourselves. By expressing ourselves most of us enjoyed singing.

Being in Choir, the opportunity to express our talent for singing extended a little further. We attended long rehearsals in preparation for public performances and contest. Our first public performance was our annual Christmas Concert that was held at St Paul's Lutheran Church.

'We were all born with a great musical instrument.'

Following the concert we went Christmas caroling in the Taylor Business area to promote the Christmas Spirit.

The second half of the year was focused on UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest held in San Marcos. Donna Hobbs, Angie Chasak, Pam Steger, Sonya Ross and Lisa Ornelas all received 1st division ratings for their solo performances. Angie Chasak, Lisa Ornelas and Donna Hobbs also received a I for their trio. Michael Gonzales, Stephen Henry, Penny Bachmeyer, Stephen Gonzales and Donald Baker all received a II for their solo performances.

As a fund raising project, we sold M & M's and decorative antique tin cans that contained popcorn. On May 9-10 we took our Spring trip to Houston, where we toured the NASA facilities and went to the beach.

The year had finally ceased. However, we realized that we had not only expressed ourselves by singing but that we had also expressed our thoughts into action.







Get it Cheryl!

Love, Cheryl



Discussing a musical composition, Mrs. Cooley explains to Pam Steger the rhythmic sequence of a choral selection from West Side Story. **Singing as a group,** the Concert Choir run through their contest music one last time before leaving to UIL Contest. **Sopranos Lisa Ornelas and Jennifer Koenig** rehearse a piece of music that is to be sung at their annual Spring Concert.

The 1980-81 Taylor Girls' Choir members are (FRONT ROW): Norma Garza, Pam Steger, Hazal Hunt, (BACK ROW): Brenda Scheer, Cheryl Tomancak, Melanie Tomancak, and Lori Davis. **The 1980-81 Concert Choir members are** (FRONT ROW): Janine Schultz, Vickie Keith, Cheryl Wade, Sonya Ross, Lisa Ornelas, Angie Chasak, (SECOND ROW): Darla Baldwin, Donna Hobbs, Michael Gonzales, Jennifer Koenig, Penny Bachmeyer, Michele Schultz, Johanna Case, (BACK ROW): Stephen Henery, Donald Baker, Tommy Garner, Alex Hunt and Steve Gonzales.







Love, Cheryl

Love, Pen!

The members of the band are Front Row: Angela Allen, Laurie Brooks, Paula Machu, Rebecca Strnad, Laurie Pruess, Karen Schaefer, Terry Juarez Second row, Clayton Walthers, Heidi Polack, Tina Alderete, Steve Saul, Tim Vanecek, Karen Halowell, MaryAnn Gonzales, David Odom, Gary Brown, Michael Dlugos, Third row, Jay Taylor, Dora Martinez, Audrey Heselmeyer, Christine Gonzales, Karen Raese, Carol Stewart, Betty Cravens, James Carmona, Mary Zavala, Min nie Garza, Alex Martinez Fourth row, Genine Schultz, Theresa Garcia, Ester Orocha, Becky Pool, Tracy Sims, Audrey Heselmyer, Sandra Martinez, Sally Villerial, Hiede Harrison, Michael Stevens, Frances Buckalew, Lupe Gamez, Dede Kruse, Andrea Stouts, Lorie Jahn, Julie Johnson, Arlene Santa Cruze, Teresa Dale, Alaine Heselmeyer, Theresa Turner, Sherry Mcadams, Karen Gordon, Fifth row, Julie Kirshnink, Tricia Lathan, Hector Trevino, Steven Preusse, Michael Gomez, Marty Hernandez, Shelia Serneskie, Diane Oviedo, Janet Kruse, Sandy Clark, Debbie Ruiz, Edward Banks, Cynthia DeLarosa, Kim Poldrack, Adam Martinez, Theresa Lopez, Cheryl McAllister, Kelly Kruse, Lisa Morales, David Polle, Barry Cravens, Sandra Young, Sixth row, Genine Veselka, Brenda Alvarez, Back row, Brady Johnson, Dudley Yoeman, Cheryl Marshall, Brian Davis, Enrico Carizales, Clayton Lefner, Edward Carmona, Monica Morales, Malcolm Randig, Mark Gille, Seventh row, Deloros Flores, Terry Lundie, Sharon Lundie, Tracy Loyd, Denise Larkins, Mike Brooks, Slyvia Gonzales.

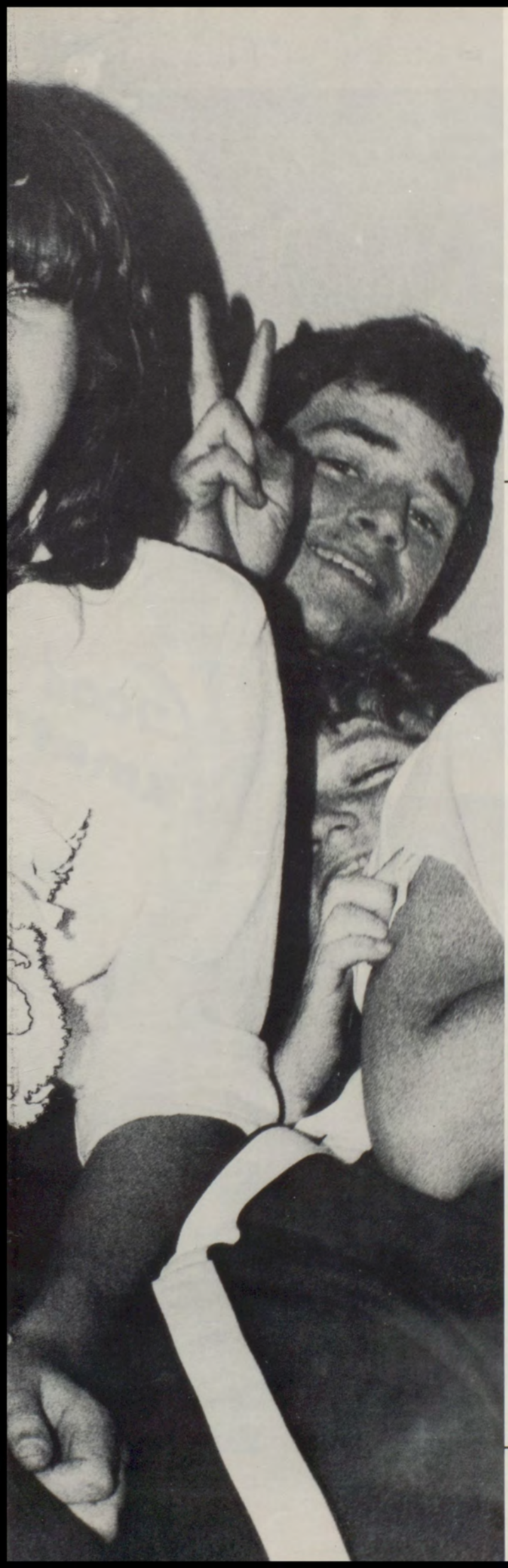




Percussion Music is the subject of debate between Hiedi Polack, Karen Shaeffer and Gary Brown who attempt to discern a difficult rythm. ***Belis toward the audience.*** Enrico Carrizales and Brain Davis play the fight song at a pep rally. ***Marching a pinwheel,*** Barry Cravens plays his trumpet during a third period band practice.







Craming into the restroom, Shelia Serneskie and Randle Parker find something to do on the bus trip to Fort Worth, Texas.

◀ Photo by Mike Gomez

A Year in the Life of a Clarinet



Green sweaters were worn at the homecoming pep rally at Memorial Stadium. Clarinetist Audrey Heselmeyer plays the fight song.

Well, here I am, back in this old case again and boy do I have a rotten headache. Well, who wouldn't have one with an old cracked reed like mine. To top that off, my leaky pads are falling off from practicing out in the rainy weather. Being a clarinet this past year hasn't been easy for me at all.

It all started when we got a new band director and like all new directors, he had different ideas for rehearsing and the style of marching that we were to do. Our positive attitude towards achieving our new style was evidently present when we began having band practice three weeks before school started.

More emphasis was placed on our practices as we began to prepare for marching contests. On Nov. 1, we competed in the Westlake marching contest and received a III rating. On Nov. 14, we attended UIL Marching Contest and made a III. Although Marching contests were over, we had to adjust our sound to fit the concert stage in order to prepare for concert and sightreading contest. On April 14-15, we once again hosted the annual UIL Concert and Sightreading contest in which we also competed in and made a II. On May 8-10, we took our Spring trip to Fort Worth where we competed in the World of Music competition at Texas Christian University. We brought home three trophies and one plaque for our I division rating.

You know this year hasn't been all that bad. Maybe this won't be my last year and I might even get myself repadded. I sure hope so.

New Additions to Our Family Tree

Organizations were similar to a growing tree. They seemed to branch out and extend the different activities within the organization. We experienced changes with our new band director and his different ideas. One of those changes was the addition of the Jazz Band. We also had our Flag Corps which added diversity to our new style of marching.

To become a member of the Jazz Band, we were required to audition for our positions. In preparation for our first contest we rehearsed during lunch and after school. On Feb. 6-7, we attended our first contest at Tarleton State University in Stephenville. We received a II (Excellent). On Feb. 27, we went to the San Antonio Jazz festival and received a II for our performance. We also per formed for many Local Civic Organizations and School assemblies. As our last contest, we traveled to Fort Worth and competed in the World of Music festival and placed 5th in our division.

Being in the Flag Corps required many hours of practice, too. We developed a new characteristic that blended with the band's marching style. We used sabers, streamers and double flags during half time shows and performed a feature to Electro Phantasma.

We all attended long rehearsals that sometimes interupted our lunch and social schedule. However, when we got together, we felt that our branches had extended into one big and happy family tree.





Twirling their streamers in the air, Dora Martinez, Silvia Gonzales, Brenda Alverez and Elaine Loeve perform a feature to Electro Phantasma. **The Flag Corps members are (FRONT ROW):** Silvia Gonzales, Elaine Loeve, **(SECOND ROW):** Dora Martinez, Janine Schultz, Minnie Garza, Gina Young, **(BACK ROW):** Janine Veselka, Karen Gordon and Julie Kirschvenk. **Saxophonist Mike Gomez** and Trumpet player, Kelly Kruse play a duet to "Don't Look Back." **The Jazz Band members are (FRONT ROW):** Gary Brown, Edward Banks, Hector Trevino, Lori Jahn Cheryl McAlister, Tracy Lloyd, Carol Stuart, **(SECOND ROW):** Enrico Carrizales Brian Davis, Kelly Kruse, Mike Gayton, Marty Hernandez, David Odom, **(BACK ROW):** Randall Parker and Mike Brooks.











With drum sticks in his hands, Mike Gayton practices on his drum solo at home to ensure a good performance at the World of Music Festival in Fort Worth, Texas.

Family Tree

While purchasing an *Etc* magazine, Mrs. Schaefer receives her change from Coty Balusek. Karen Harris accompanies Coty in selling the magazine. **Dressed in his tights,** Romeo (Gary Brown) pleads with the Nurse (Ely Dlugos) to find Juliet.





On Stage members are (FRONT ROW): Gary Brown, Tim Vanecek, Mike Gomez, Terry Juarez, **(SECOND ROW):** Chris Chapa, Janine Vaselka, Silvia Gonzales, Teresa Turner, Cynthia DeLa Rosa, Christine Gonzales, **(BACK ROW):** Heidi Polach, Susan Wolbrueck, Betty Cravens, Eddie Wrinkle, Mike Dlugos, and Mark Vittek. **Etc Staff members** are **(FRONT ROW):** Coty Balusek, Karen Harris, **(BACK ROW):** Adam Martinez, Silvia Gayton, Mrs. Clark, Rosie Gutierrez, Brenda Urbanek and Barry Cravens.







Finishing up props and scenery for the play "Livin de Life" are Mike Dlugos, Christine Gonzales and Mike Gomez.
◂photo by Stella Flores

A Change of Scenery



With an Etc magazine in her hands, Silvia Gonzales occupies her spare time by reading a poem.

There were times when we felt a barrier that kept us from expressing our work and having it read by the public. Although Etc was our smallest publication it gave us a chance to reveal our writing abilities by publishing our stories.

Etc met twice a year to publish a Christmas and Graduation issue. We received stories from students with writing abilities. The different jobs that were performed before the publication of an issue were typing and proofreading the material and designing layouts.

Our daily lives brought on many unendurable pressures. We felt the need to escape into the world of entertainment. As a change of scenery we focused on On Stage to establish the dramatic side of entertainment.

At the beginning of the year, we attended workshop sessions and plays at U.T. where we learned new ideas on how to present a play. To help raise money for our contest play, we held a Mexican buffet dinner and presented the play "Livin de Life." The three hundred dollars profit was used to pay for costumes and materials needed in building the different sceneries.

We memorized our lines and cues. However, to ensure a successful performance, we had regular night rehearsals to rehearse the different scenes as a group.

In the end, our long night rehearsals all paid off. We were satisfied with our successful performances and our ability to work together as a unit. We had also found a way to escape into the world of entertainment.



Not Just a Bunch of Brains

The candle tradition was performed every year at the N.H.S. banquet. Karen Harris, Kara Petrus, and Mike Pille pass the light on. **Pinning** new members is Kara Petrus. Alaine Heselmeyer receives her card.



"I'm really not that smart. I'm sure that I wouldn't make it," she continues, "You've got to be a brain to make the N.H.S. club." This is a comment that has been heard from many students apprehensive of submitting their application for membership into the N.H.S., National Honor Society. Little did they know that their grades weren't the only criteria considered when the choosing of the new members was made. Mrs. Patty Clark and Mrs. Betty Tomlin, sponsors of the club, did the selecting.

Early in the year President Penny Pavliska organized a combination garage sale-bake sale. It consisted of both home baked items and material objects donated by all members. Each person was required to bring one baked good and five home objects to the designated place. Those who did not donate were asked to work in shifts.

"I'm not as smart as some of the others, but brains aren't the only thing."

Not only did N.H.S. hold a garage-bake sale they also had a regular bake sale. This was held several places throughout Taylor, such as TG & Y, Wal Mart, and H.E.B. Both projects were successful in raising needed money for both the banquet and the two $100 scholarships given at the end of school.

This year the banquet location was changed from Rowe Valley to the pool side residence of Penny Pavliska. Remaining money was spent on chicken to be barbequed by the chosen seniors to be cooks. Both old and new members were asked to join the festivities. Along with the barbequed chicken were side dishes brought by the members.

Honor was the key word of the membership of this particular club. To be included in such a club was an achievement in itself.



Photo by Marc Brown▲









Being pulled into the pool is Jason Sefcik. James Lantzsch and James Jackson do the pulling as Brenda Urbanek does the pushing. **Sliding down** into the water is Kim Poldrack. Mike Pille awaits his turn. **Relaxing** by the pool before the other N.H.S. members come to the banquet is President Penny Pavliska.

Glittering icicles in Miriam Balduff's hand are about to be placed on the Christmas tree. All members of the Student Senate and class representatives helped decorate the tree in the middle of the student center.



▲Photo by Stella Flores

Key to Service Is Organization

The United States government . . . elected a President and advisors for the people just like the school had unfair policies, a principal and the Student Senate were the school body's advisors to change rules.

Student Senate was one of the most important organizations for the student body. We were the democracy in the school system. We also helped and planned various activities. They handled all of the school elections very successfully. They offered their services to the community and helped out with the telethon.

This organization also provided the school with an hour of entertainment from the rock'n roll group Free Fare from Florida.

Each year the Student Senate and a representative from each club decorated the student center Christmas tree.

The newest change this year was the organization of a homecoming parade. Student Senate contacted every organization in the community to become involved with the school activities. A total of 51 floats were entered in the parade.

By sponsoring assemblies, such as the homecoming

Jamming in a high school is very seldom, but the Student Senate was able to provide an hour of Rock and Roll for entertainment. **Convincing the student body** that their candidate is the one to vote for Student Senate are Steven Saul, and Tyke Harrison. **The members of the Student Senate are: (Back Row)** Mrs. Leschber, Thomas Reese, Vernell Jackson, Craig Cook, James Marek, Christie Leschber, Michelle Schultz, Adam Martinez, Connie Frankeny Mrs. Hill. **(Front Row)** Stephen Gonzales, Tyke Harrison, Louanna Werchen, Sandee Sequist, Kim Poldrack, Karen Harris, Dora Martinez, Dianna Dominguiz, and Michael Gonzales. **Reaching for a pin** to pin on tags, "Have You Voted Today" is Craig Cook. Helping with the voting procedures are other members, Penny Pavliska and Lynn LaDico.









parade and Free Fare. Student Senate attempted to provide entertainment for the student body.

Student Senate's biggest change in policy this year was class favorites. Besides the usual contest of Mr. and Miss THS, Homecoming Queen, Cotton Boll Relays Queen, and Goodfellows, they added the most beautiful, handsome, athletic, intelligent, and most likely to succeed. These changes gave more students in the class recognition.

Student Senate was a very important part of the school and its functions.



A Strange Site for

Curious Eyes

Have you ever heard the expression, "A site for sore eyes?" Well, how about "A strange site for curious eyes?" Curiousity would have aroused your interest to learn of our strange site. As we, Jr. Historians were straightening up tombstones, clearning out weeds, and painting on a new coat of paint on an old wrought iron fence in order to restore the Joseph Rubarth cemetery.

This year we began a new chapter of the state Jr. Historians which was a highly recognized club statewide. Our sponsers were the Texas State Historical Association who provided us with essential information that was needed to perform our projects. The Taylor Conservation and Heritage Society and the Williamson County Historican Community also supplied us with local facts about our community. The signification of our club was to preserve our community's history, thus the restoration of the Joseph Rubarth cemetery was our main project.

Joseph Rubarth was a native born German who had the unique distinction of having fought in the Battle of Waterloo and in the Battle of San Jacinto. At the age of sixty he died and was buried in the Hoxie Community.

Our purpose for restoring his cemetery was because of its historical significance, thus we applied for a historical marker to be placed on this historical site.

"We still have a long way to go, commented Mrs. Livingood, however, we really want to promote Taylor as an interesting place to live."











Checking his list, Raj Nad Karni tends to last minute details before Local History Day begins. **At a spinning wheel exhibition,** Becky Nyc teaches Corrine Walters the fine art of operating a spinning wheel. **Straightening up tombstontes** was a task performed in restoring the Rubarth cemetery which required physical exertion from both John Price and Chris Vanek. **The 1980-81 Jr. Historians:** (FRONT ROW): Laura Agular, John Price, Hope Dominguez, Aida Trevino, Mrs. Livingood (BACK ROW): James Wagner, Charles De Luna, Jan Wagner, Chris Vanek, Tony Sanchez and Gloria Johnson.



Painting the fence and pulling weeds at the Joseph Rubarth cemetery amounted to hard work. However, Jan Wagner, Chris Vanek and John Price entertain themselves with the thought of receiving a historical marker as an award for their efforts.

'A Strange Site for Curious Eyes'

Paying for her meal at the Downtown Cafeteria is Betty Cravens. Stella Flores takes her ticket. **No fishing.** "Slick Chick" Guerra shows how much she enjoys the local out house. **Swinging on the rope** to go into the lake is President Ellen Nelson.





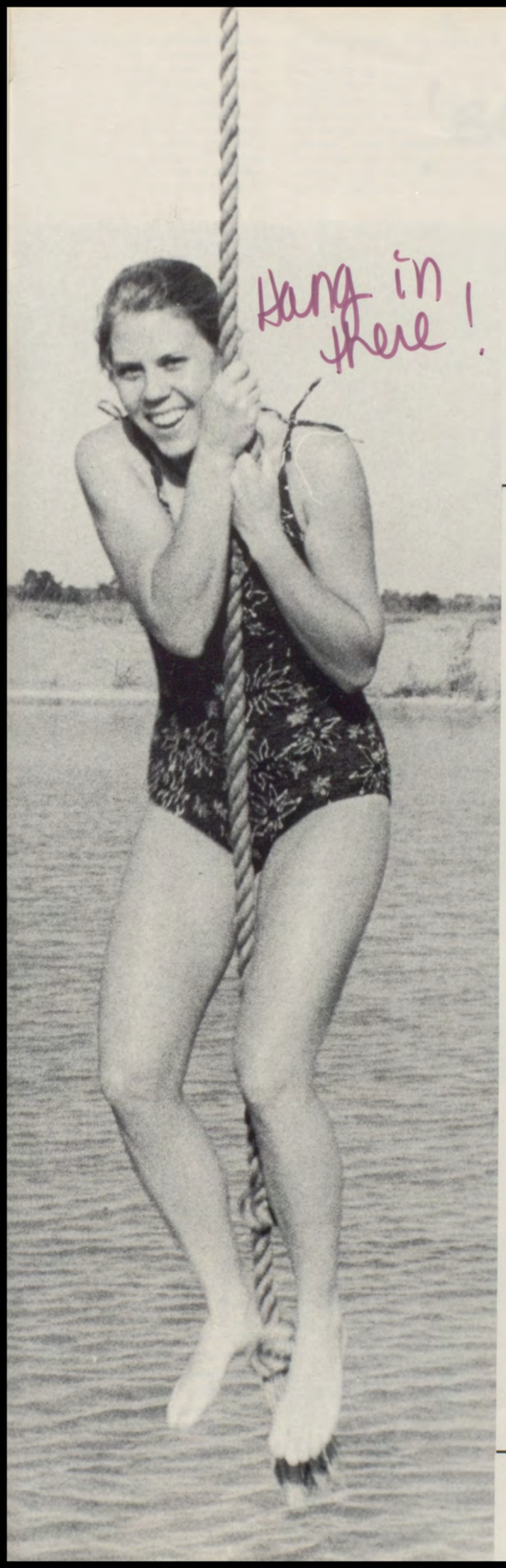


An innertube built for two. Ely Dlugos and Barry Cravens have fun in the lake. **Dishing out the rice.** Arlene Santa Cruz allows the assembly line of Spanish food to continue while at the Mexican Buffet. **P.A.S.F. members are: (FRONT ROW):** Mark Urbanek, Arlene Santa Cruz, Ellen Nelson, Shelly Hall, and Adam Martinez. **(MIDDLE ROW):** Kathy Griffith, Rosie Gutierrez, Stella Flores, Sylvia Gayton, Ely Dlugos, and sponsor Irma Guerra. **(BACK ROW):** Brenda Urbanek, Marc Brown, Barry Cravens, Steven Saul, and Roger Streit.









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Slick Chick Made It Fun



Riding a horse and dressed in Spanish attire is Ellen Nelson. Ellen rode in the Homecoming parade.

On first sight of the new sponsor of P.A.S.F., Pan American Student Forum, we knew the year was going to be incredible. The curly, dark hair on top of a nutty face invited openness and a friendly atmosphere. The students and sponsors were not separated but united because of similar interests. Along with the new sponsor, Mrs. Irma "Slick Chick" Guerra, came new changes and rules within the club. The gaining of points of previous years had changed for the good.

Instead of not being able to get credit for tickets sold at the annual Spanish club Mexican buffet the members were allowed to receive these points. By having a less strict point system, the members have shown more interest in projects and the club itself.

Although throughout the year many downfalls hit the club. Starting with the surprise snow flurry that happened to fall on the night of the Mexican buffet to the big question of "Will there be a scrapbook this year?" We continued having a fantastic time throughout the year.

A major change that happened was the doing away with a formal banquet. This year, the club decided to have a casual picnic of swimming in the lake and barbeque chicken. Frisbees and innertubes made their appearance, while the partying continued at Marc Brown's house.

The year was a fun one and even though not too many projects were accomplished, the year will be remembered by everyone who got involved. Due to Slick Chick the first year of P.A.S.F. with a new sponsor was a terrific one.



Working Hours for Others

As she walked into the room, She realized . . .

that although these were the same faces, these were not the same people she spoke to every day and had known most of her life. Today she was the teacher and they were the students.

This was the day that most senior members of the Future Teachers of America had been waiting for. This was the day they would get a chance to find out what teaching was really like. Although some had already had the chance to teach while enrolled in the Teaching Experience Program, teaching at the high school level proved to be a totally new experience.

While learning more about teaching, we also found other ways to help serve our community. We decided to visit residents of the Sunnyside II Resthome. Every other Wednesday, a small group of FTA members found themselves enjoying the company of the elderly.

Although there were other activities to keep us busy, we all anticipated the highlight of our year — State Convention. Our exciting weekend got off to a great start when we found ourselves unloading the bus only to be told that we would have an hour wait for our rooms. After vacating the parking lot and heading for our rooms, we rushed to be

Valentine's Day brought with it carnations from FTA. Members found themselves showing their creativity with flowers. Jolynn Schaefer selects carnations for an order. ***Delivery of the carnations*** required organization and the aid of book cart. Stacy Steger and Sandra Sobotik stack flowers to deliver. Skill in working with flowers was acquired by the end of the day. Monica Dykowski prepares to make an arrangement. *FTA members are:* (Back Row) Audrey Heselmeyer, Regina Perez, Yvonne Gonzales, Joy Harris, Mary Ruiz, Jolynn Schaefer, Janet Kaderka, Tina Guajardo, Joan Kaderka, Alaine Heselmeyer, Connie Frankeny, Sharon Jaecks, Julie Johnson, and Regina Hill. (Second Row) Sponsor Kaye, Schaefer, Kathy Griffith, Karen Motal, Kristie Fontenot, Sandee Seaquist, Monica Dykowski, Melanie Sakewitz, Greg Blomquist, Terry Richter, Kevin Freels, Mike Pille, Rhonda Leschber, Robin Thaler, Diane Oviedo, and sponsor Martha Miller. (Third Row) Claire Bartosh, Jacquii Gonzales, Sherrill Ripple, Nancy Cummings, Nancy Stover, Leslie Jacobson, Monica Cuba, Amy Kasparek, Paula Machu, Stephanie Kerlin, Renee Touchstone, and Peyton Cross. (Bottom Row) Sponsor Janie Turner, Tina Schneider, Sheryl Jansky, Stacy Steger, Kara Petrus, Sandra Sobotik, Jimmy Weise, and Teresa Bowden. ***Selling baked goods*** at the Christmas parade brought in a great deal of money. Sandra Sobotik and Melanie Sakewitz arrange the FTA booth in front of the Twin's Shop.









prepared for the first general session that was starting in less than an hour.

To conclude an eventful year, our awards banquet was held on May 5. Outstanding Officers were Sandra Sobotik and Jimmy Weise. Outstanding Members were Nancy Stover, Alaine Heselmeyer, Sheryl Jansky and Audrey Heselmeyer.

After a year of work and we found that there was more to being a teacher than we had thought. A teacher was not someone who just made homework assignments. She was someone who worked many hours for others.





A Break in the Routine

Going from one class to another six hours a day, every day was the routine of most students. For VOE students this was not true. Working half a day and attending school the other half was just one alternative offered to the students who attended the 7:30 Co-op class. For the ones who could not fit their schedule for a working condition they took the two hour VOE lab. During this two hour class the students learned business skills, such as bookkeeping and operating different machines for office jobs.

Various alternatives were offered to the students.

Bagging items was part of the job for Teresa Bowden. TG & Y offered Teresa a chance to be in contact with people. **Interchangeable parts.** Michelé Stiba not only had to type, she also had to work with machines.





VOE students, 9:30-11:30, are: (FRONT ROW): Debbie Esquivel, Sylvia Gayton, Janie Lopez, Yvonne Gonzalez, and Regina Perez. **(BACK ROW):** Vickie Keith, Annette Calder, Mary Ruiz, Christine Gonzalez, Kara Petrus, Sandra Sobotik, Loretta Stefek, Kristie Krenek, Teresa Bowden, and Josie Sapata.



▲photo by Mary Zavala



VOE students, 8:30-9:30, are: (FRONT ROW): Elaine Stefek, Cheryl Kieschnick, Suzanne Stasny, Elizabeth Barratachea, and Paula Repa. **(BACK ROW):** Tamara Hirt, Estella Gayton, Michele Stiba, Darian Petrucci, and Bonnie Kiesling. **Sorting out statements** is Dana Teeple. Working at Taylor Bedding involved a lot of paper work. **The adding machine** at The Taylor Daily Press occupied a lot of Darian Petrucci's time and patience. **Telephone calls** were made daily by Elaine Stefek to contact the customers of Pokorny Construction Company.











VOE students, 12:30-2:30, are: (FRONT ROW): Irene Sandoval, Ann Janecka, Michele Brueckner, Lupe Gamez, and Cheryl Tomancek. **(BACK ROW):** Sandra Martinez, Amy Kasparek, Arleen Santa Cruz, Lisa Chasak, Lennice Loeve, Theresa Garcia, and Yolanda Barrera. The 7:30-8:30 students are: **(FRONT ROW):** Karen Harris, Sylvia Sandoval, Shelley Hall, Jeanne Popplez, Sherri Shamard, and Denise Trevino Matuke. **(BACK ROW):** Margarita Aleman, Royanne Rogers, Christi Leschber, Zina Rodenbeck, Sandee Sequist, and Vernell Jackson.



Standing behind the jewelry counter, Jan Wagner assists a customer in selecting a necklace.

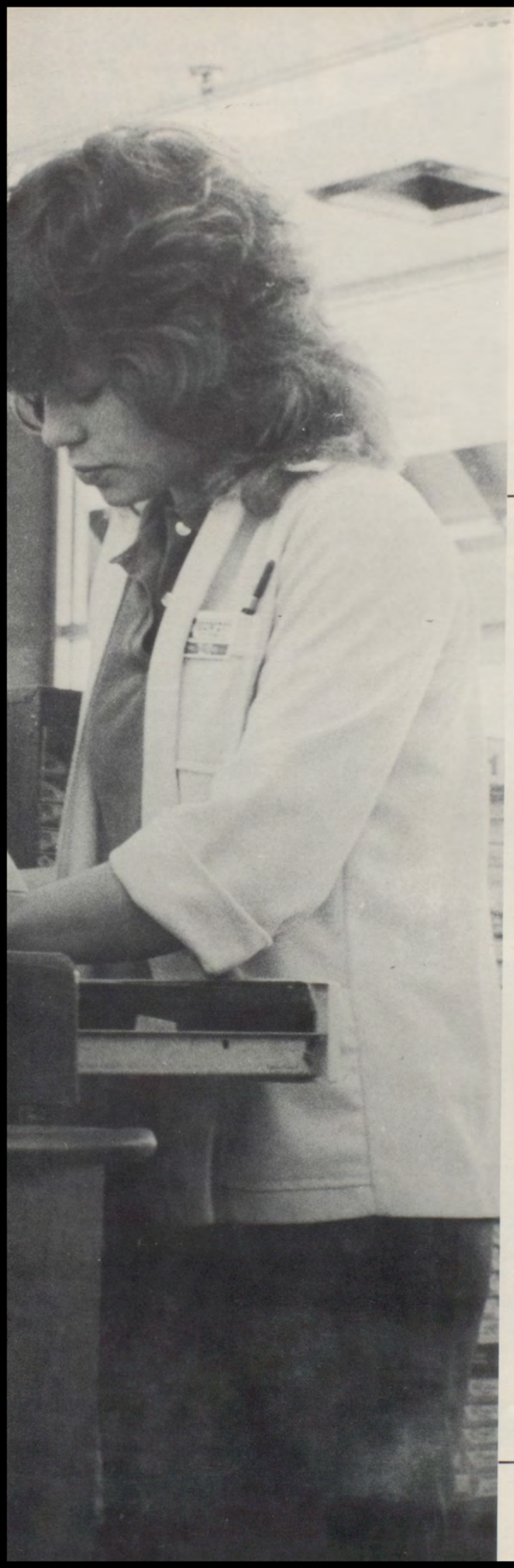




While writing a receipt, Mary Ann Gonzales converses with a customer. **VICA members are: (FRONT ROW):** Gloria Rodriguez, Lisa Wright, Coach Eddie Spiller, Becky Cepak, Stacy Steger, **(BACK ROW):** Louis Jahn, Matthew Smith, Mike Carpenter, Kent Stabeno, Greg Young, Kent Kunze, Glen Glover, and Alan Wuthrich. **Reaching over the sink,** Greg Young applies the finishing touches to the molding.







Counting up change from the cash register is Pam Steger an employee of HEB.

◀Photo by Mary Zavala

'Why Do We Go?'



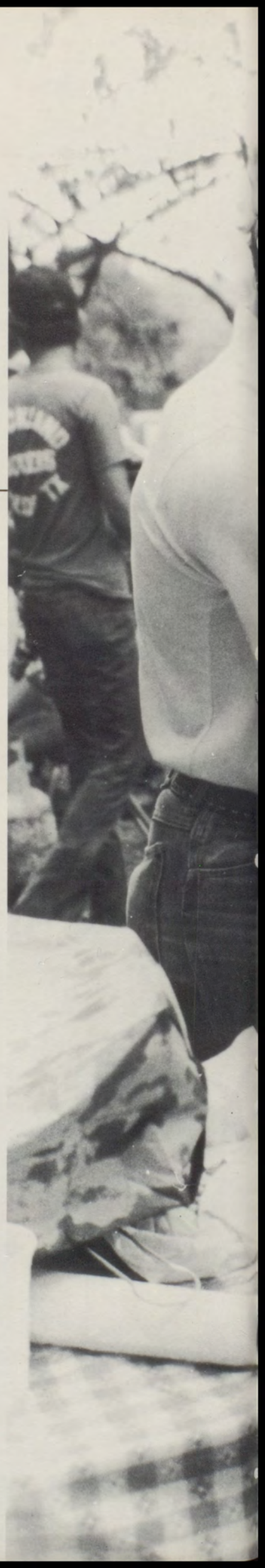
Writing out a receipt is just one of the jobs that Lenard Olivarez must do at Central Auto Parts.

"Why do we go to school?" This was a familiar question that always seemed to enter our minds. Especially when we spent that special plan weekend at home doing tons of useless homework instead of going to the beach or enjoying the Night Life in Austin with a special friend. The answer to this question didn't seem logical at that time but the real reason we went was to get an education and to prepare ourselves for the different occupational fields that we were to enter. But how could we gain experience by reading it out of a book? We had to go out and learn through experience.

ICT, Industrial Co-operative Training, was just one of the classes available under the VICA co-op program. Whether we wanted to be a doctor, a mechanic or an electrician, ICT gave us the opportunity to learn the basic skills and improve our abilities by actually performing these different industrial jobs. By performing these jobs, we were not only learning the different skills, but we were also getting paid. Thus we learned of income tax, types of forms and deductions.

While ICT dealt with the different industrial jobs, DE, Distributive Education, familiarized us with the work involved with the sales of common goods. We learned how to work with the customers and our fellow coworkers.

Although reading it out of a book gave us know-how, we gained knowledge of the business world through experience.

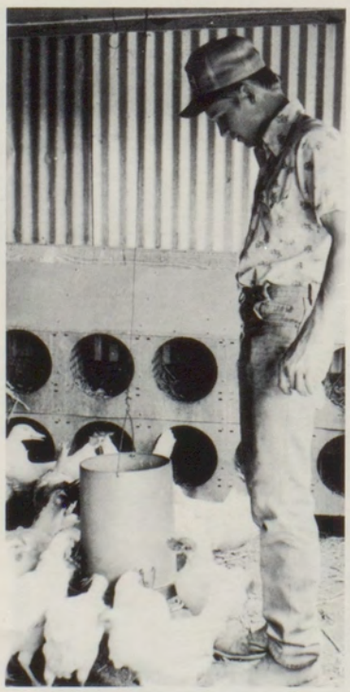


Giving vaccinations to their show animals is a vital part dealing with their health. Mark Balduff prepares a vaccination shot for his cow.





Grooming is just one part of the preparation for judging. Buddy Michna helps Jason Richter brush his lamb. **FFA members are (FRONT ROW):** Clayton Leftner, Jason Richter, Elaine Loeve, Kathy Mekolik, Sharon Niavar, Chris Smith, **(BACK ROW):** Curtis Tieman, Dwayne Martin, Greg Hirt, Troy Wade, David Kaatz and Shell Hubbard. **Feeding the chickens** is just one of the jobs that Clifford Tomancek must do in preparation for the stock show.







Preparing the fillet was part of the work for the annual FFA fish fry. David Kaatz cuts the fish to be fried.

◂Photo by Stella Flores

Learning to Provide for Others



Serving as sentinel, Greg Hirt and Buddy Michna listen to final plans for the district banquet.

Being a member of the Future Farmers of America did not just mean that we were planning to some day become farmers. It meant that we had an interest in the land and livestock. We were not just concerned with what the land could give us, but also with what we could do to enrich the land and gain better crops. We also learned about the care of the animals. We had our own animals to be entered in stock shows and their care was our own responsibility.

The land and its products being our main interest, we held our annual fruit sale to raise money. Most of our attention though was on Stock shows. We attended local stock shows and made a good showing at the Taylor Stock Show in January. Thomas Brister, sophomore, placed first in the Light Weight steer Division.

On May 14, six FFA members traveled to the Area Convention. Those attending the convention were Dwayne Martin, Buddy Michna Kenneth Townsend, David Kaatz, Thomas Brister, applying for Star Chapter Farmer, and Clifford Tomancak, applying for State Farmer Degree.

Although the end of January brought the end of stock shows for the year, FFA members still stayed busy preparing for next year. We learned ways that we could improve on our showing. While others were gaining basic skills for college or training in office skills, those of us who were members of FFA were learning more about the land so that we could one day live off the land and provide for others.



▲Photo by Stella Flores

Abundant Feature Stories Prove an Asset

Keeping warm in the early morning bus ride on a trip back to Taylor from a convention at Denton are Christine Gonzales, Donna Steger, and Donna Kaspar.

An abundance of feature stories with at least one running each issue proved the biggest assets for the Cotton Boll of the school.

Printing the student telephone directory was a process that started before school did. At registration Editor, Mark Urbanek and other staff members passed out information sheets that resulted in a money making project.

Layout was also given special attention. Managing editors Christine Gonzales and Jennifer Zavala spent weekends making dummy layouts. Picture pages also played a key element to the paper.

The Cotton Boll placed coverage as a high priority. The Bond Issue story led the community in becoming aware of how necessary the proposals were for the schools.

Feature coverage also played a major role in the Cotton Boll to capture student interest. The exemption policy caused student elation but for some teachers there was discontent. The newspaper got the teachers opinions and Mr. Seal, the assistant principal's reply.

The controversial Senior Favorites story illicited much response. Four consecutive



The members of the Cotton Boll are: (Back Row) Donna Kaspar, Lonnie Cantu, Mark West, Mrs. Kommandowsky, Debbie Thompson, Lori Graybill, Donna Steger, **(Middle Row)** Stella Flores, Karen Schaefer. **(Front Row)** Jennifer Zavala, Mark Urbanek, Louanna Werchen, and Christine Gonzales. **Mickey Mouse** keeps Miriam Balduff company on the long ride to the Cotton Boll convention in Denton. **Working together** Jennifer Zavala and Mark West succeed in their group work of getting the Cotton Boll finished before the deadline. **Editing the final** copies before going into publishing is Mark Urbanek. To have a successful school newspaper there must be dedication.



me too!





letters to the editor stated either pro or con opinions of the new honors.

Humorous and factual feature also jazzed up page 4: feature page. The widespread attraction of dating plus the opening of a new school were just a few of the topics covered by the reporters.

Besides winning awards, the State Champion in Newspaper at convention in Denton, the Cotton Boll strove to put out a quality publication. Although the issue count was lowered by the two from last year, the high standards and superior work was still evident in every issue.



Making Yearbooks for Your Heart as Well as Your Head

Often we have heard our parents and friends talk about the good old days. They seemed to enjoy reminiscing about the past. We would take out an old yearbook and spend hours recognizing familiar faces.

The purpose of our Mallard was to record those precious days. From the front cover to the last page, the story of a certain year in our lives was told. A theme which we could relate prevailed throughout the book.

Being a member of the Mallard Staff required dedication. Our slogan was, "We make yearbooks for your heart as well as your head." Although the task was not easy, we enjoyed it and we found our efforts rewarding.

The staff attended two conventions. In December, we traveled to Denton to the Texas Women's University and in March we attended the ILPC convention at UT in Austin. At the conventions we learned new methods, which helped us to produce a better yearbook and record all the precious memories of our high school days.











Punk or Party time? Bug-eyed glasses and party horns were just a few highlights of the Mallard Banquet as Mary Zavala demonstrates the fun. **Expressing appreciation** for the carnations for Valentines Day is the newcomer on Staff, Mrs. Parsons. Looking on is Brenda Urbanek. **Munching down** on a piece of pizza is Marc Brown, at the Dallas Mall. Besides attending long sessions at convention, there is always time for a good meal.
The members of the Mallard Staff are: (Back Row) Karen Raesz, Mary Zavala, Charlotte Sanders, Stella Flores, Brenda Urbanek, and Linda Raesz. (Front Row) Marc Brown, Mike Gomez, and Barry Cravens.



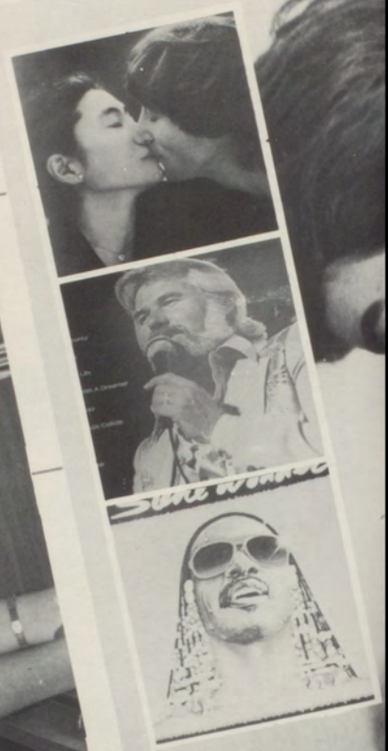
Collecting money, Editor, Barry Cravens writes out a receipt to Greg Cervenka. In order to have an annual, the staff must sell yearbooks in advance.

Making Yearbook for Your **Heart** as Well as Your Head

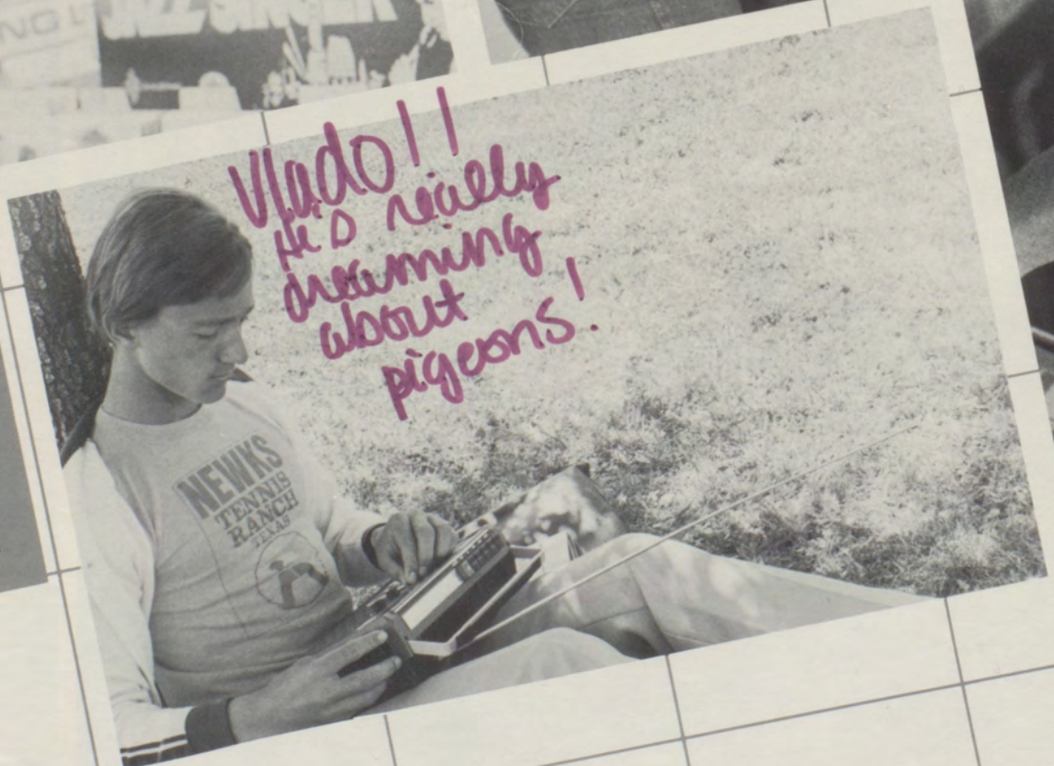
◂Photo by Marc Brown











Enjoying the clean sounds provided by his graphic equalizer is James Lantzch.
Listening to records on her home stereo is Shiela Srnensky.
Browsing through records, David Odom looks for the latest releases.
Relaxing in the shade, Vlado Ruzicka listens to his favorite radio station.
Scrutinizing the musical selections, Clayton Walther enjoys ding to the sounds of a juke box.
The three most popular albums chosen by students are: Double Fantasy, by John Lennon, Kenny Roger's Greatest Hits, and Stevie Wonder's, Hotter than July.

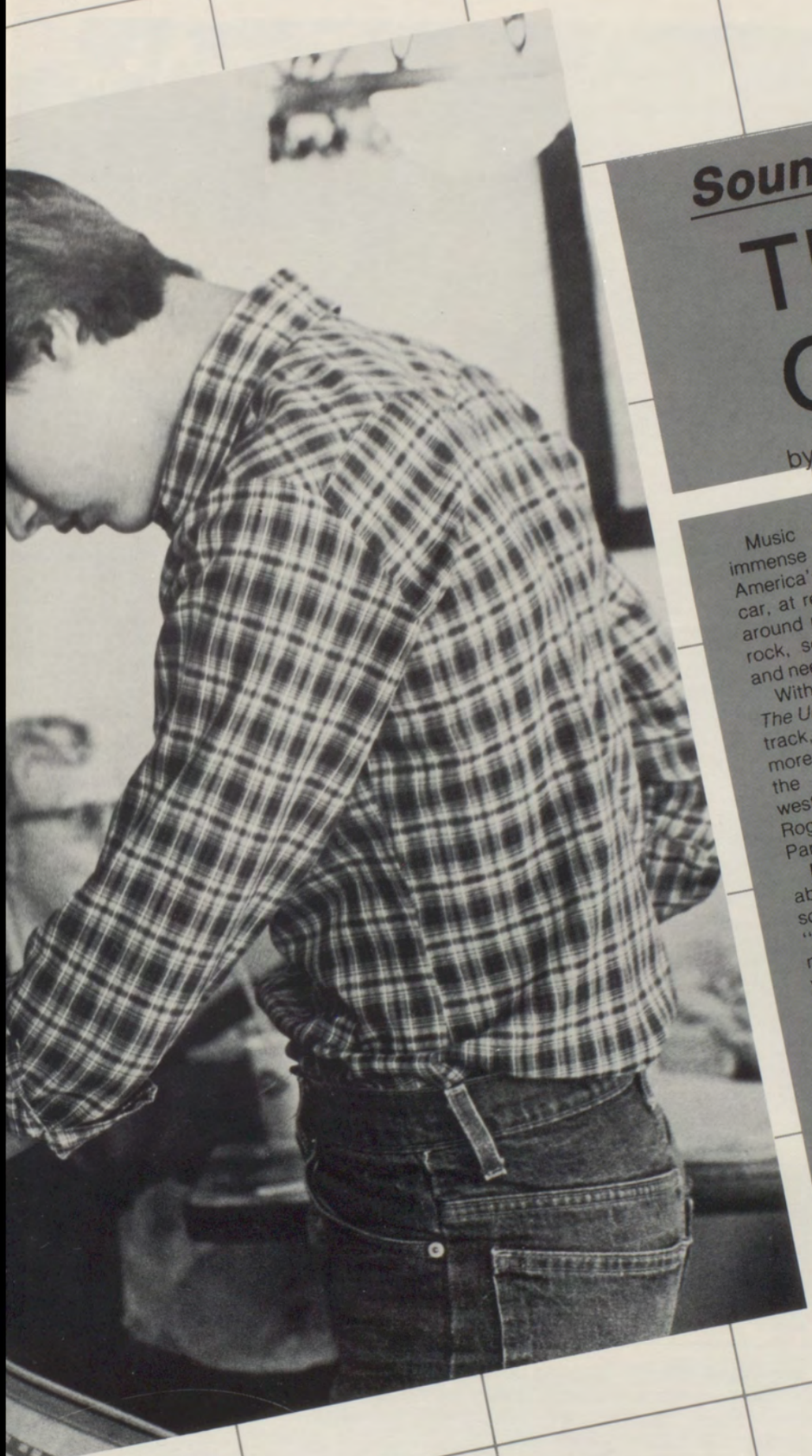


Photo by Mike Gomez

Sounds of Music

The Beat Goes on

by Marc Brown

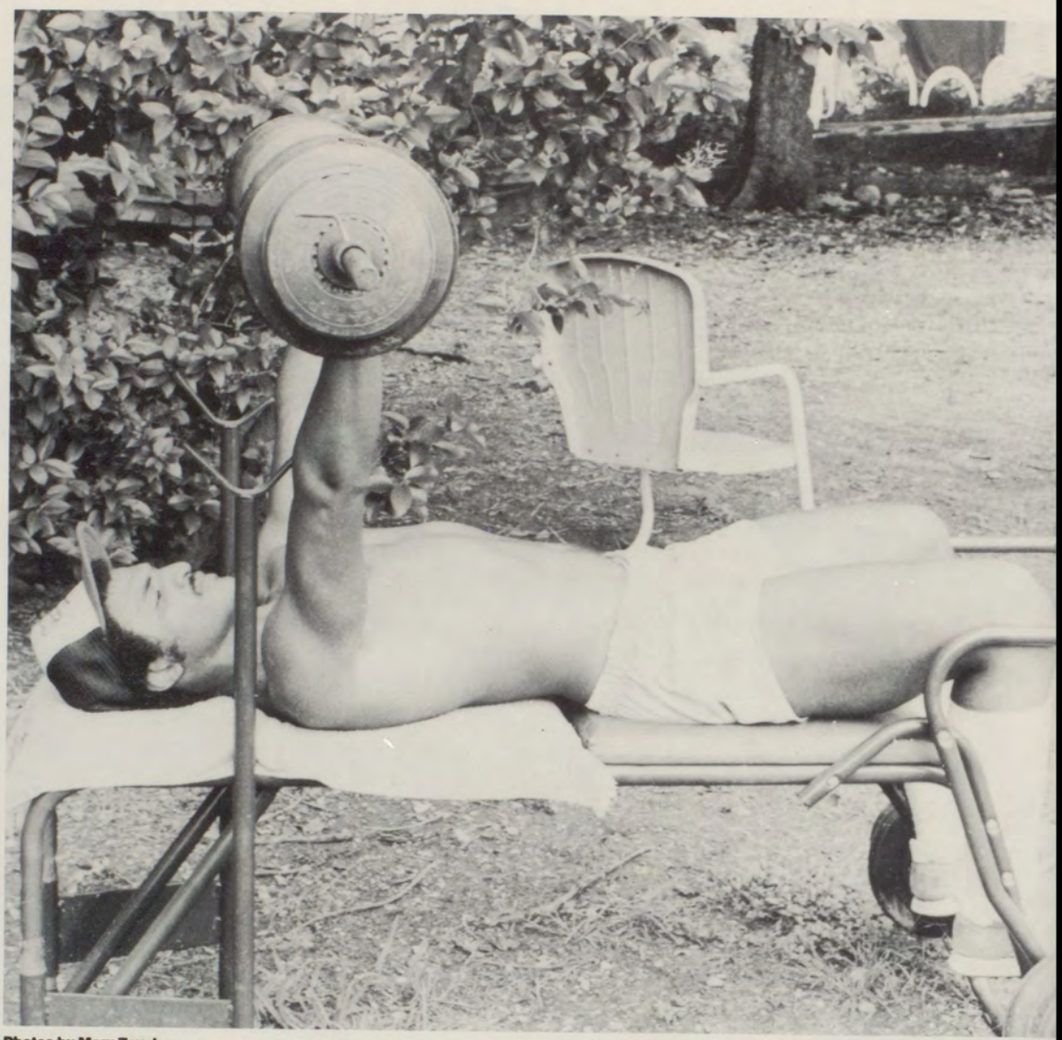
Music has always been an immense force affecting we, America's youth. At home, in the car, at restaurants, music was all around us. Whether we preferred rock, soul or country, we loved and needed our music.

With the popularity of the film, *The Urban Cowboy* and its soundtrack, country music became more popular than ever. Some of the more popular country and western artists included Kenny Rogers, Willie Nelson and Dolly Parton.

New wave was the most noticeable change in the rock music scene. Fast paced songs like "Whip It", by DEVO typified the new wave movement. Rock music was also affected by new releases from AC-DC, Bruce Springsteen and a final album from John Lennon.

New releases from both Prince and Stevie Wonder were eagerly received by soul enthusiasts. Up-beat songs like Kool and the Gang's "Celebrate" typified current soul trends.

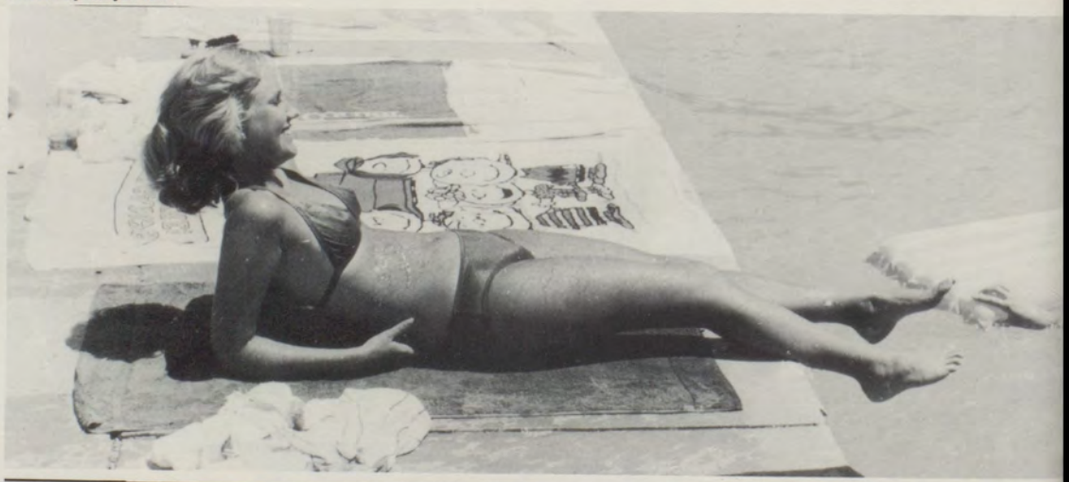
Regardless of our varied musical tastes one thing was certain, we would always need the sounds of our music.



Keeping in shape played a big role with our athletes. Thomas Reese takes advantage of his day off to do a little weight lifting. **Lying under** the hot and penetrating sun is Senior Laurie Preuss. She was awakened by a cool splash of water. While some seniors laid out, slept late or just goofed around, Regina Perez did some of her chores by **watering her plants.**

Photos by Mary Zavala

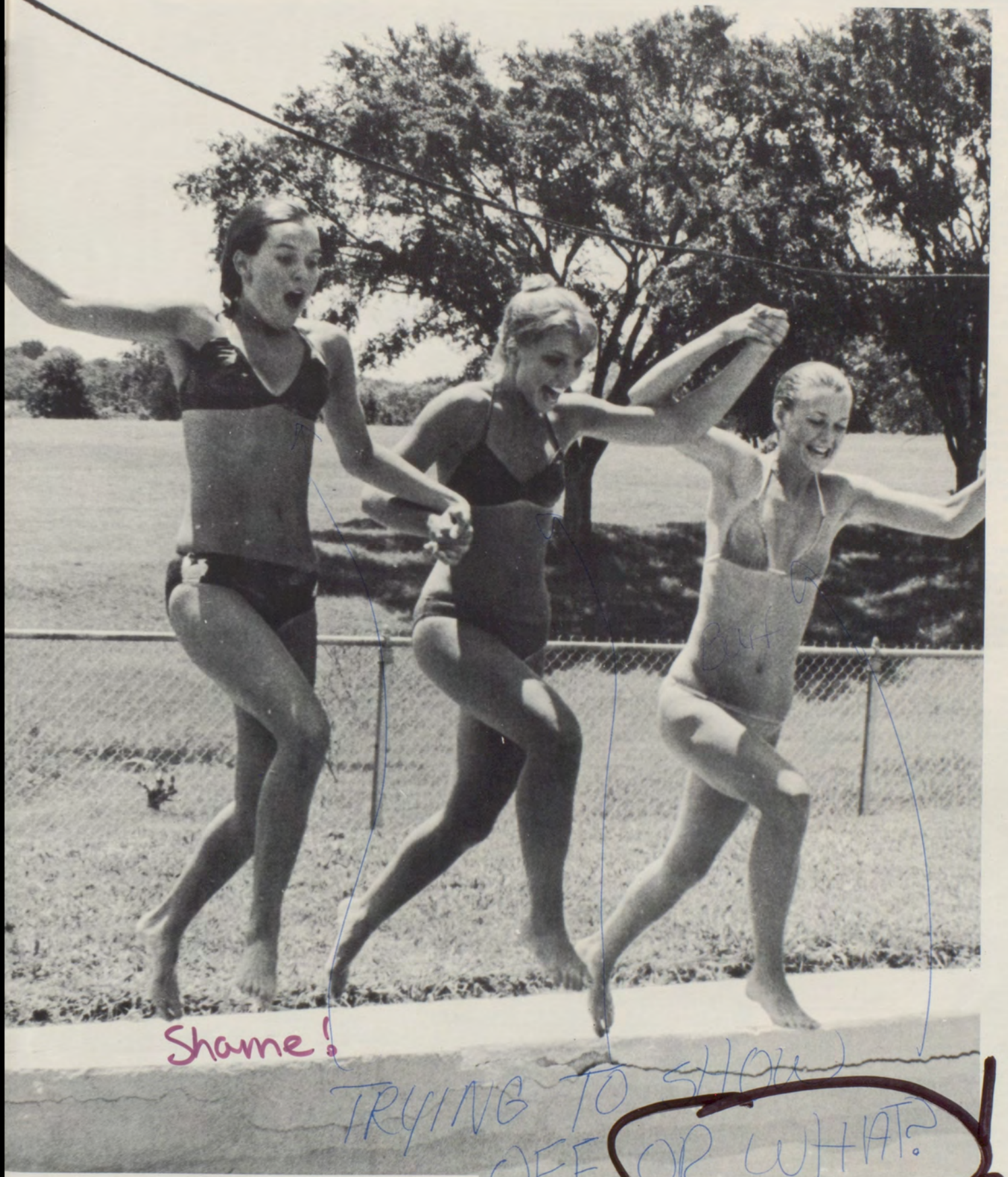




How Do You Spell Relief? S-E-N-I-O-R

How do you spell relief? Well it seemed that everyone had their own definition and way of finding relief. Especially with two more days of school left and graduation on its way, we seniors could feel the post graduate anxieties and tension building up within us. We had a special day of vacation to forget school and do what ever we wanted.

The senior trip was what some of us did. Jack Seals and David Kyser served as sponsors on the trip to Corpus Christi. The sunny beach was relaxing and many of us came back with a tan. A few others went to Six Flags and found to their surprise that it was closed. Although others spelled relief, ROLAIDS, we spelled it S-E-N-I-O-R D-A-Y.



D-A-Y

One, two, three, monkey see, monkey do. Splishing and splashing was one of the Senior day events that took place at the Country Club. Paula Machu, Coty Balusek and Kara Petrus hold hands while jumping into the swimming pool.

Kelly Adams
James Albers
Tina Alderete
Margarita Aleman
Pam Allen: Track — 2; FHA — 3; Band — 4
Arlene Alvarez: JV Volleyball; Spanish Club — 2; FTA — 3; Concert Choir — 2; Hi-Steppers —3

Justin Anderson: Football; VICA — 3; FFA — 3
Bobby Bailey
Mark Balduff
Coty Balusek: Tennis — 3; Bsktbll; Chrldr; Hi-Steppers — 3; 100 Hi-Club; Latin Club — 3, Parl; NHS — 3, Treas; FTA — 2; DECA Rptr; Etc — 3, Co Ed; UIL Typ, Rdy Wrtng; Cl Sec; Ac Awrd; Ac Swtr; Homecoming Queen Nom; Most Intellectual
Elizabeth Barratachea: Pep Squad — 2, V Pres; OEA — 2; FHA — 2
Linda Bearden: Volleyball — 3; Spanish Club — 2; HERO; Band

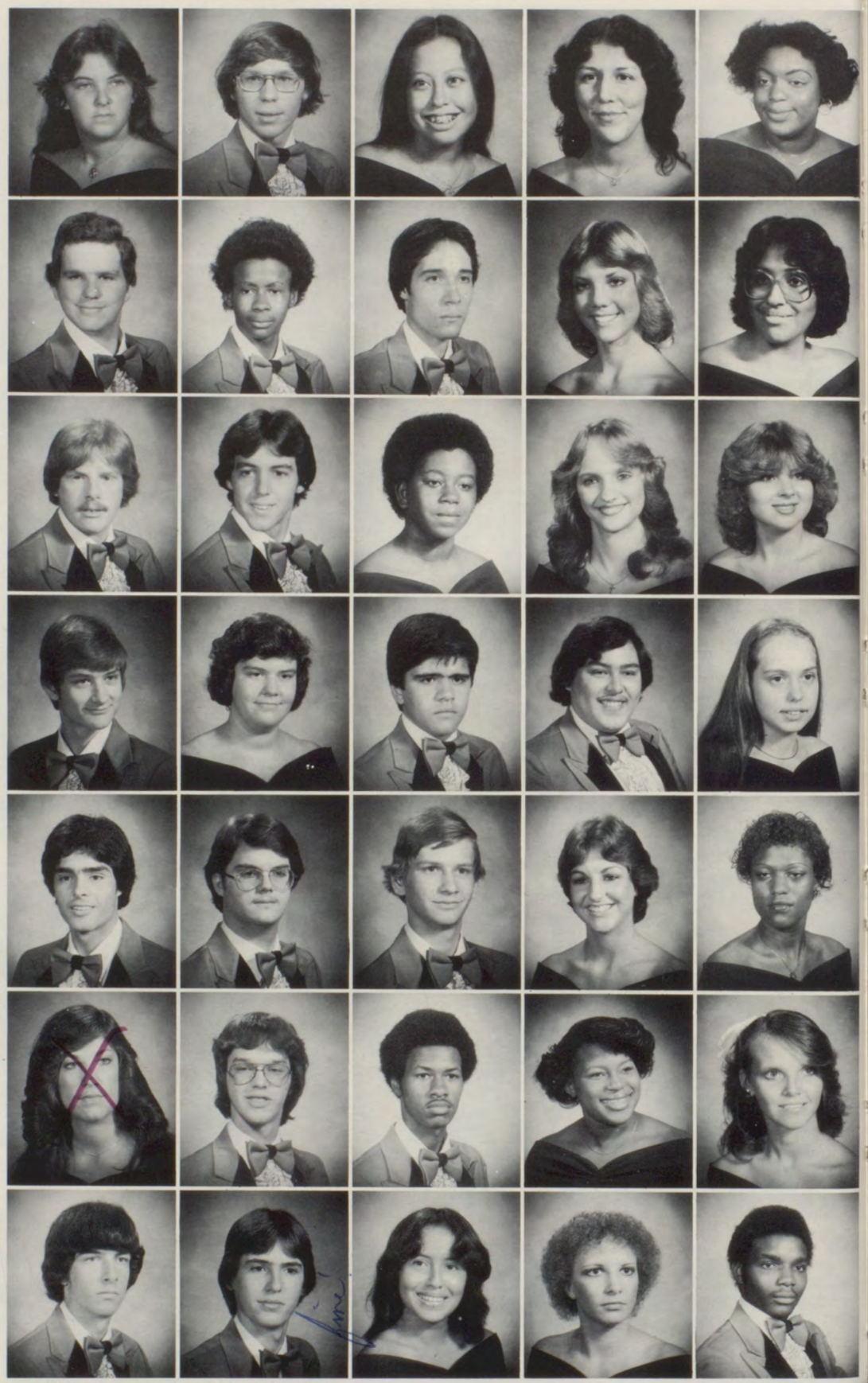
Bobby Blagg: JV Baseball; V Baseball — 2; ICT
Greg Blomquist: V Football — 3; V Track; V Golf; Student Senate; FTA — 3; Goodfellow; Boys' State; Young Texan
Vera Blue
Teresa Bowden: Pep Squad; Hi-Steppers — 3; FHA — 2; FTA — 3; NHS — 2; OEA Sec; Student Senate; Cl Rep; Academic Sweater; Who's Who
Linda Brauer
Linda Brown: Track; Latin Club — 3, Pres; FTA; Drama Club — 3, V Pres; Debate

Marc Brown: Mallard — 3, Ass't Ed — 2; Spanish Club — 3; NHS — 3; On Stage — 3; Project Go — 2
Annette Calder
Arturo Carrasco: Track; Football; Art Club; NHS; Art Contest
Enrico Carrizales
Johanna Case: Choir — 4
Charles Cervenka: VICA; DECA — 2

Dario Connors
Barry Cravens: Band — 4; On Stage — 3, Rptr, Phtg; Spanish Club — 3, Parl; Student Senate — 2; Mallard — 3, Ed — 2; Academic Sweater; THS Who's Who in Journ; Who's Who
Tim Crisp: VICA; DECA
Monica Cuba: Pep Squad; FTA — 4, Yr Bk Chrmn; Hi-Steppers — 3, 1st lt, 100 Hi-Club; Homecoming Queen Nominee
Debra Curtis
Jim Cuzzort

~~Tresa Dale~~
Brian Davis
Michael Davis
Bessie Deary: V Volleyball — 3; Basketball
Sherri Dlouhy
Cynthia Druesdow

Mike Dykowski: Ag Co-Op; Building Trades; FFA — 3
Greg Fielder
Stella Flores: Mallard; Cotton Boll — 2; Spanish Club — 3, Rptr, Sec; NHS; FTA; Academic Award; Young Texanne; Academic Sweater
Barbara Flory: Choir
Leroy Frederick
Kevin Freels: JV Baseball — 2; V Baseball — 2; FTA



Seniors '83

















Decorating halls is a Homecoming tradition. Melanie Sakewitz, Sandra Sobotik, and Monica Cuba hang streamers and balloons in the senior hall.

Measuring for caps and gowns made seniors realize that graduation was approaching quickly. Bobby Janosec gets his height measured by Mrs. Pasemann.

Making Plans



It was hard to believe that we had already completed three years of high school and were completing our fourth year. Plans for the future were made. Some of us planned to skip college and get a job immediately after graduation. Others of us took college entrance exams and information from different colleges filled our mail boxes.

The second half of the year was filled with finishing up details for graduation. Our credits were checked. We found that our senior year was a busy time. Senior portraits were taken and ordered, we were measured for caps and gowns and graduation announcements were ordered. We found that we had many other responsibilities in addition to our class work.



Being a senior could be costly. Cheryl Kieschnick and Elaine Stefek pay Mary Alice Comacho the rental fee on their caps and gowns.

Work nights were held to work on the Homecoming float. Scott Lindemann and Vernell Jackson check their measurements for accuracy before cutting the wood.



Ada — Fre

Estella Gayton: FTA; Spanish Club — 2; VOE — 2
Letecia Gonzales
Mary Gonzales
Laurie Graybill
Bobbie Griffin: Pep Squad; Best Dressed
Elmo Griffin

Kathy Griffith: Latin Cl — 3; Sngldr; NHS — 3; FTA; Pep Squad — 2; V Chrldr; Ftbll Swthrt; Young Tex-Anne; Who's Who; Project Go
Albert Gutierrez: VICA — 3; Library Cl — 3
Shelley Hall
Kathleen Hannan: NHS — 3; Ac Swtr; Who's Who; Project Go — 2
Karen Harris: Tennis — 4; FTA — 3; Hi-St — 3; Latin Cl — 3, V Pres; NHS — 2; Etc — 3; OEA; Ac Awrd; Ac Swtr; Who's Who
Carl Hattley: V Football; Bsktbll — 3; JV, V — 2; V Track; HECE

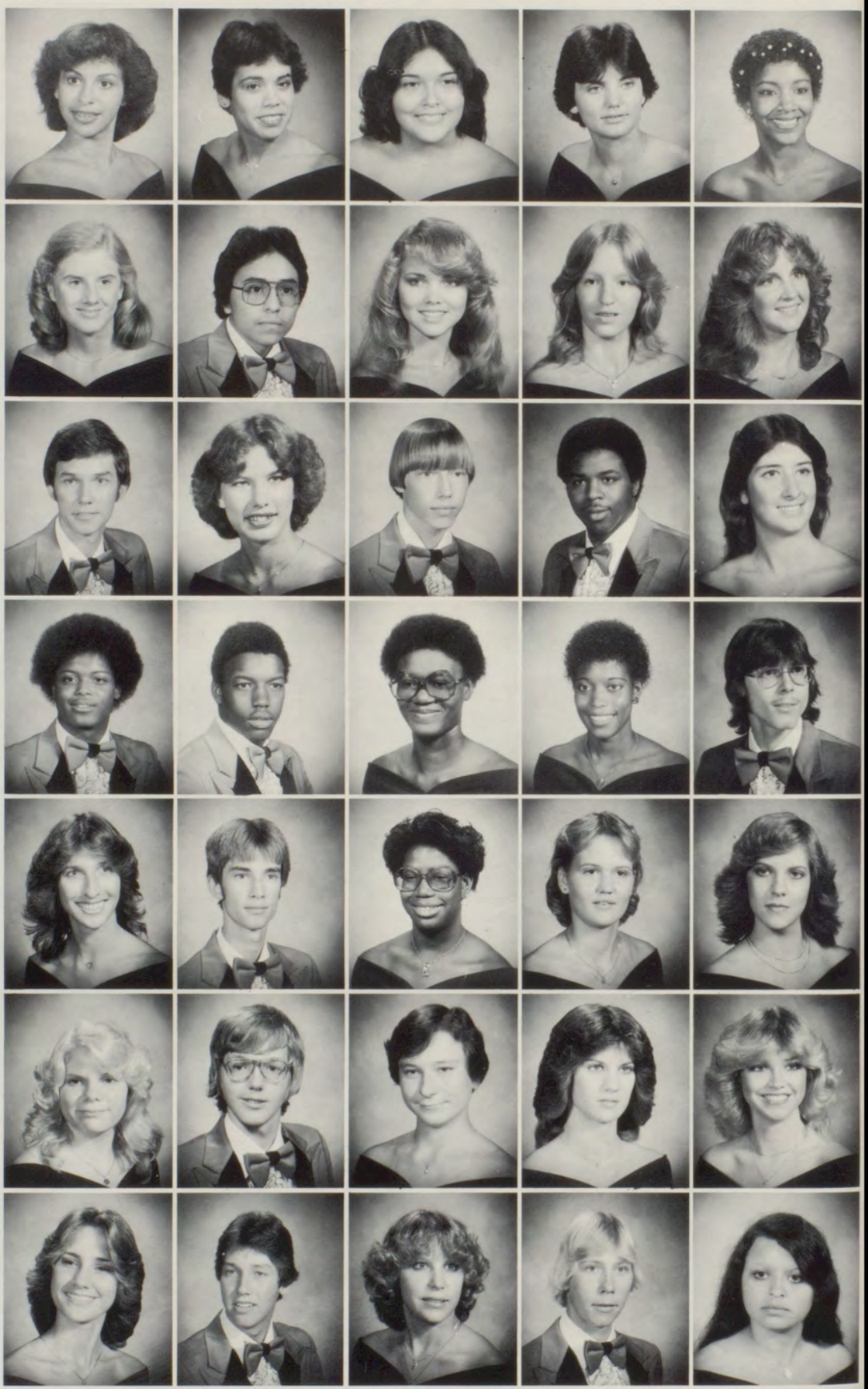
Greg Haverland; FTA; A M House Award; Ac Awrd — 2; Young Texan; Ac Swtr
Audrey Heselmeyer: Band — 4; FTA — 4; NHS — 3; Mallard — 2; Pro Go — 2; Ac Awrd; Who's Who; UIL Spelling; Academic Sweater
Jeff Heselmeyer: Library Cl — 2; VICA — 3
Reggie Hill: Ftbll — 3, Co Capt; Track; Bsktbll; Cl Rep — 2, Cl Pres — 2; FTA — 4; Stu Sen — 4; NHS — 3; DECA; Who's Who; Hi-St and Chrldr Beau; Mr. THS Nom; Boys' St; Goodfellow — 3
Tamara Hirt
Annette Howrey

Brian Hubbard
Vernell Jackson
Willie Jackson: Basketball — 4; FHA — 4; Volleyball — 3, Hon Ment, All Tourn; HECE — 2
Mary Jefferson: Track; FHA — 3; Sec, Pres, Treas
Jimmy Jensen
Eddie Johnson: Pep Squad; Choir — 3; Library Club; HERO; FHA — 3

Amy Kasparek: FTA — 4; Hi-Steppers — 3; 100 Hi-Club; Pep Squad; OEA, V Pres
Marc Keese
Angela Keith: Pep Squad; FHA — 4; Girls' Choir — 2; Concert Choir; HERO Sec; HECE — 2
Cheryl Kieschnick: FTA — 4; OEA — 2
Bonnie Kiesling: Band — 2; Spanish Club; OEA — 2; Project Go
Russell Kovar: Baseball — 4; DECA; Most Handsome

Frances Kruse
Kelly Kruse
Tricia Lathan: Band — 4; Spanish Club; OEA
Donna Lecroy: HECE; HERO Treas; Band — 3, Dist — 2, Region — 2, Area
Christi Leschber: Basketball; Tennis — 3; Spanish Club; Band; Hi-Steppers — 3; FTA — 4; OEA; Student Senate — 4, Cl Rep — 3, Sec; Goodfellow; Girls' St Alt; Academic Sweater
Scott Lindemann: Cotton Boll — 3; V Football Mgr — 4, Lettered — 2; V Basketball Mgr

Melissa Little: V Chrldr — 2; FTA — 2; Con Chr; DECA — 2, Treas; Ftbll Sweetheart; Cl Rptr; Goodfllw; Homecoming Queen; Miss THS; Relays Queen Nominee
Mike Little: VICA; DECA — V Pres, Pres
Tracy Lloyd: Spanish Cl; DECA — 2; Band — 4; V Track
Jeffrey Loeve; Baseball; DE; ICT; FFA — 4
Janie Lopez: VOE; OEA
Paula Machu: Drama Cl — 2; Band — 4, Twlr — 3; FTA — 4, Dist Sec; Latin Cl — 2, Sec; NHS — 3; Etc; Nom — Relays Queen, Homecmng Qun, Miss THS



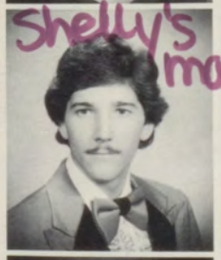
Seniors - I miss 'em!







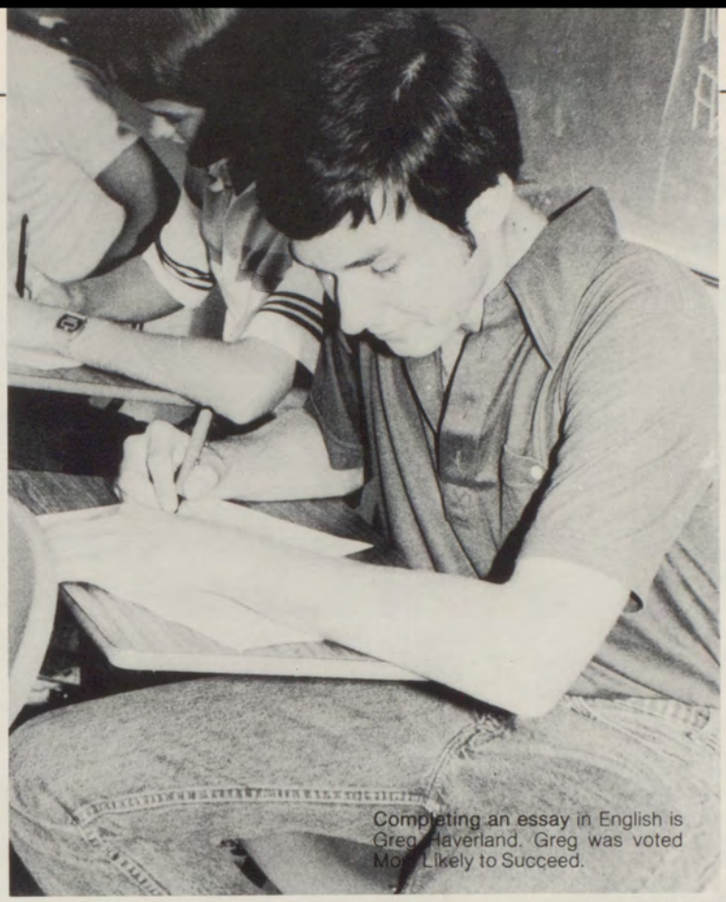




Shelly's mom!







Completing an essay in English is Greg Haverland. Greg was voted Most Likely to Succeed.





fine!

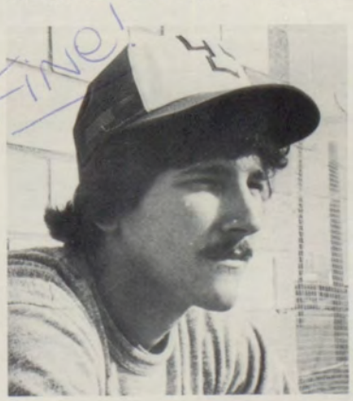
Getting some fresh air during the lunch hour, Bobbie Griffin relaxes on a bench in the schoolyard. Bobbie was elected Best Dressed. **Reading a report** in front of the class was a familiar experience. Wyly Owen was chosen Best Dressed.

Voting On Our Own

We experienced many changes during the school year and one of the most obvious was in the school elections. We no longer received ballots in the classroom. We were required to take the responsibility of voting and had to vote in the student center on our own time. Less ballots were cast but only those who were interested in the elections voted.

Another change in the elections affected only the senior class. Instead of the traditional two female and two male Goodfellows, the senior class elected Favorites for the first time in ten years.





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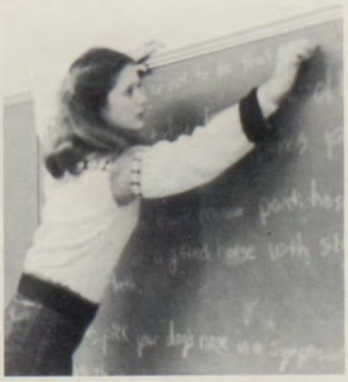




Waiting for the bell [redacted] thinks about an upcoming test. [redacted] was chosen Best Dressed. **Keeping an eye** on the game, Russell Kovar waits for the outcome of the next pitch. **Reaching the top** of the board, Linda Brown writes an assignment. Linda was selected Most Likely to Succeed. **Concentration** was important in twirling without dropping the baton. Paula Machu, chosen Most Beautiful, ends a routine.

Gay — Mac

Gina Manley: Volleyball — 2; Hero — 2
James Marek: JV Baskerball; V Basketball — 2; V Baseball — 2; Student Senate — 2, Parl, Pres; Cl V Pres, Cl Pres; Goodfellow — 3; Mr THS
H Adam Martinez: On Stage — 3; Spanish Cl — 3; NHS — 2; Band — 4; Student Senate — 3; Mallard — 3; Etc; Who's Who; Tex Achievement Award; Young Texan; Project Go — 2
Denise Matuke: VOE — 2
Greg Maxwell: Spanish Cl — 2; Mallard — 2; Project Go — 2
Paula Mayberry

Ronnie McAdams: V Football — 3; V Track; V Basketball; NHS — 2; DECA; Spanish Cl; Who's Who
Brad Moss: V Football — 3; V Basketball; JV Track; NHS — 3; DECA
Karen Naivar
Rodney Neidig; FFA — 2; VICA — 2
Ellen Nelson: Basketball — 3, JV, V — 2; V Track — 2; Pep Squad; FTA; Student Senate; Spanish Club — 4, V Pres, Pres; Project Go — 2; Who's Who; Most Athletic
Leonard Olivarez: Football — 4, V — 3; V Baseball — 3; FTA — 2

Dora Ortiz
Wyly Owen
Brian Patschke: VICA — 2, Pres, Sent; FFA — 2
Penny Pavliska: V Volleyball — 4; Pep Squad; V Track — 2; V Basketball; NHS — 3, Pres; FTA — 2; Latin Cl — 3, Rep; Student Sen — 2; Academic Sweater
Regina Perez: Pep Squad; Hi-Steppers — 3; FTA — 3; NHS — 3; OEA Parl; Cl Sec; UIL Spelling; Young Texanne; Ac Award — 2; Ac Swtr; Who's Who
Darian Petrucci

Kara Petrus
Michael Pille: JV Track; Football — 2, JV, V; JV Baseball; FFA; FTA; HHS — 2, V Pres; UIL Prose, Science, Calculator
Kim Poldrack: Tennis — 4, V — 2; Student Sen; NHS — 3; Latin Cl — 2, V Pres; Band — 4, Pres; Who's Who; Young Tex-Anne
Becky Pool: FTA — 2; Latin Cl — 2, Parl; Band — 4; Academic Award; Academic Sweater
Jeanne Poppelz
Laurie Preuss: FTA — 4, Scrapbook; Band — 4, Twlr — 3; On Stage — 2; Etc

Paul Randle
Thomas Reese: V Football — 2, Cat, All Dist, All Centex; Track — 4; On Stage; Spanish Cl — 2; FTA; Student Sen, Cl Rep; Most Athletic
Paula Repa: Pep Squad — 2, Pres; Student Sen; OEA — 2; FTA; FHA — 2
Terry Richter: Baseball — 4, JV, V — 3; FTA — 3; Basketball — 2, JV; Cl Sec — 2; Academic Sweater
Zina Rodenbeck: Band; OEA — 2
Royanne Rogers: V Track; Cheerleader — 3, JV — 2, V; Student Sen — 2, Cl Rep, Sec; Spanish Cl; OEA; FTA — 3, Jr Miss FTA

Paula Ross: Volleyball; HERO
Melanie Sakewitz: Hi-St — 3, 1st Lt; FTA — Miss FTA; Spanish Cl — 2; Cl Treas — 2; FFA Swthrt; Gdfllw; Nom — Relays Qun, Homecmng Qun; Ac Swtr
Sylvia Sandoval: Hi-Steppers — 3; OEA — 2
Arleen Santa Cruz: Band — 4, Sec, Treas; OEA; Spanish Cl — 2
Steven Saul: Golf Tm; Spanish Cl — 3, Sec, V Pres; On Stage — 4, Parl; Band — 4, Qtmst; Etc; Mllrd and Cttn Bll Bus Mgr; Band Beau
Brenda Scheer

Sandee Seaquist: FTA — 4; OEA — 2, Hist; Etc; Cotton Boll Rptr; Student Sen, Cl Rep
Jason Sefcik: JV Tennis; On Stage — 3; NHS — 2; Mallard — 2; Debate; All Star Cast — 2; Ac Award; Academic Sweater
Sherri Shamard: Band — 2; Hi-Steppers — 2, 100% Performance Award; OEA — 2
Ronald Siptak: FFA — 4; VICA
Trevor Sladek
Chris Smith: Football — 2; Track — 3; DECA



Seniors



















Relaxing by the lake on a sunny afternoon are Missy Little and James Marek who were chosen Mr. and Miss THS. **Activities** outside of school varied. Ellen Nelson, voted Most Athletic, works at a stable. **Reviewing** for a test, Steven Saul , who was chosen Most Friendly, studies vocabulary words.

Election Controversy

The change in senior elections brought about a bit of controversy. There was a question of whether or not the student body agreed with the change. While some students felt that the elections were just another popularity poll, others believed that the elections gave more students the chance to be recognized. Whether or not the entire student body agreed with the change, the elections were held.





Cleaning his equipment, Jason Sefcik completes a Physics lab. Jason was chosen Most Intellectual. **Jogging around the track,** Thomas Reese who was voted Most Athletic warms up for track practice. **Flashing a big smile** at the end of a Hi-Stepper routine is Coty Balusek. Coty was chosen Most Intellectual. **Friendly smiles** on familiar faces helped brighten a long, hard day. Melanie Sakewitz was selected Most Friendly.







Man — Smi

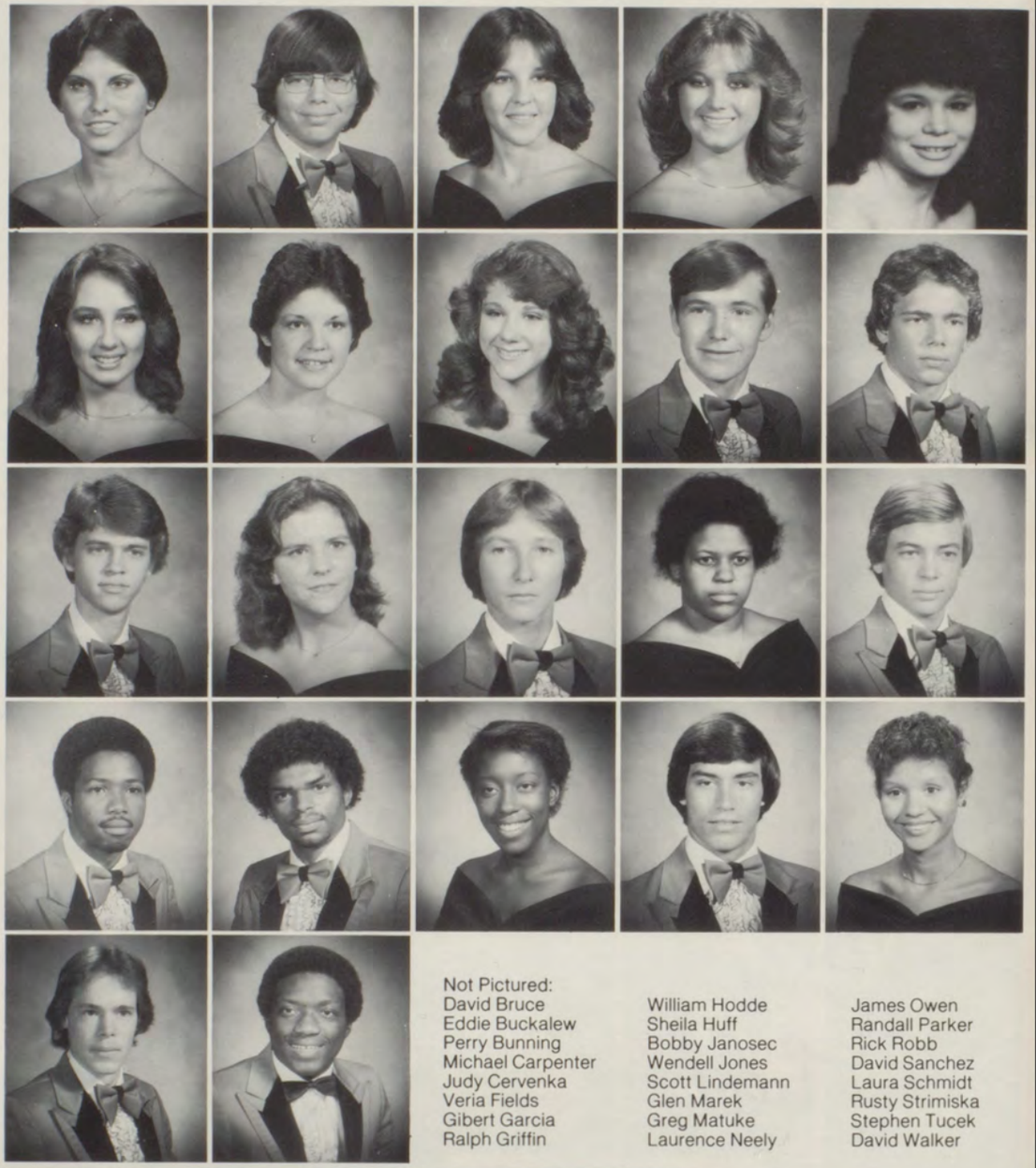
Sandra Sobotik: Pep Squad; Hi-Steppers-3; FHA; FTA-4, Sec-2, Outstanding Jr and Off; OEA; Student Senate, C1 Rep
Kent Stabeno
Suzanne Stasny; FTA OEA-2, Pres
Elaine Stefek; Pep Squad; FTA; DECA; OEA
Pam Steger: Drama C1-2; Latin; DECA; Girls' Choir-3, Sec, Treas, Pres; FTA-2; NHS-3

Michele Stiba: Hi-Steppers-2, 2nd Lt, Outstanding Soph and Jr, Rookie of the Yr, 100 Hi-Club; OEA; Ac Award; Homecoming Queen Nom
Jan Tate: Volleyball-4; OEA-2
Dana Teeple
Clifford Tomancak
Bryan Townsend: Football; NHS-2; Ac Award

Mark Urbanek: Cotton Boll-2, Co Ed: On Stage; Spanish C1; Lib C1; Stud Sen; Ac Sweater; Who's Who
Lillie Vanek
Kenneth Vrana
Veronica Washington: V Basketball; FHA
Jimmy Weise: Football-2, V; V Tennis-4; FTA-3, V Pres, Pres, Jr Mr FTA-2; Who's Who

Ronnie Wilson
Johnny Wooldridge
Lisa Wright
Eddie Wrinkle
Lynn Yates

Greg Young: Ag Co-Op; Building Trades: ICT; VICA; FFA-2
Carl Zachary



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David Bruce
Eddie Buckalew
Perry Bunning
Michael Carpenter
Judy Cervenka
Veria Fields
Gibert Garcia
Ralph Griffin
William Hodde
Sheila Huff
Bobby Janosec
Wendell Jones
Scott Lindemann
Glen Marek
Greg Matuke
Laurence Neely
James Owen
Randall Parker
Rick Robb
David Sanchez
Laura Schmidt
Rusty Strimiska
Stephen Tucek
David Walker

Adults or Not?

As seniors, most of us would turn 18. At last we would be considered adults and gain certain privileges. But the threat of losing one of these privileges soon became evident. We discovered that a bill to raise the drinking age to 19 was being discussed.

This bill would require that a person be 19 years old before he could buy beer. Many comments on the bill were made. One of the biggest arguments for the law was that it would keep drinking out of the schools. There were many that had a problem with students coming to class drunk. It was believed that raising the drinking age could prevent this. One student commented, "I'm not 18 now and I can still get beer if I want it. Why wouldn't I be able to get it if they raised the age?" The majority of students agreed that the problem of alcohol in schools could not be solved by raising the drinking age. Seniors turning 18 were still legal adults. We had the resonsibilities of being adults but were not sure how much longer being 18 would mean legal drinking.



Seniors

Studying physics while [illegible] outside and drinking a beer [illegible] Penny Pavliska.





More Than One White Gown

While all of us were making decisions that would affect our careers for the future, some of us were also making decisions that would affect the rest of our personal lives.

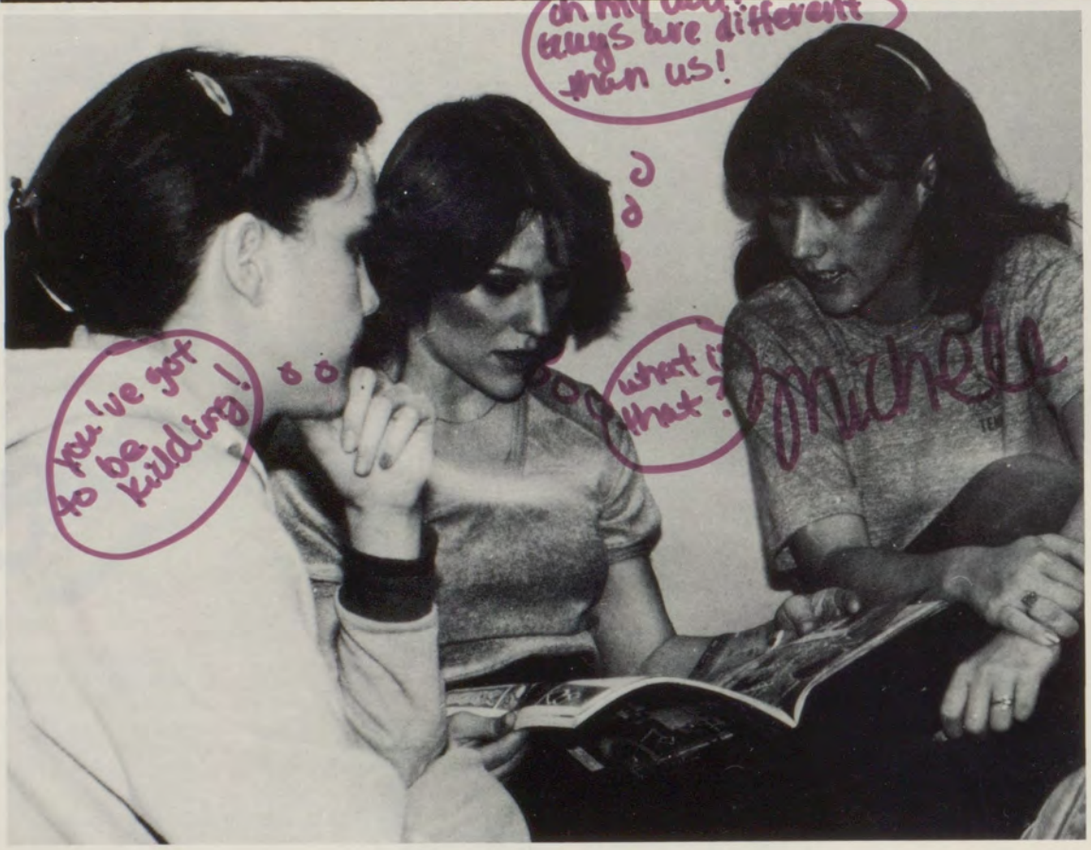
Many of us decided that graduation from high school would not be the only "big event" in the near future. We began to plan our weddings. In between ordering caps and gowns and graduation announcements, those of us planning to be married in the near future were also busy choosing a wedding gown and invitations and making other plans. We busied ourselves trying to arrange our wedding plans around our graduation plans. We even arranged our wedding date around college freshman orientation. We found that trying to plan for graduation and a wedding was not easy. So our days were filled not only with thoughts of a white graduation gown, but also with thoughts of a white wedding gown.



Making plans for a wedding was often shared with friends. Penny Pavliska asks Ellen Nelson for her opinion on a group of bridesmaids' gowns. **White gowns** were to be worn by all seniors at graduation, but some would be wearing more than one white gown in the near future. Coty Balusek shops for a gown for her upcoming wedding. **Spending a quiet moment** with someone special often helped relieve some of the tension of being a senior. Sherri Shamard and Ronnie McAdams spend some time together in a relaxing atmosphere.

Sob-Zac

Juniors '82





While seated on the floor, Louanna Werchen, Becky Bulgerin and Michelle Brueckner look at a magazine. **Displaying their carpentry skills,** Karen Schaefer and Miriam Balduff work on the Junior class float. **Helping Dorthy Debus** is Lisa Ornales. They creatively construct props for the prom on April 4.

Three down One to go

Three down and one to go, he replied with a sigh of relief. It was the end of his very busy Junior year. He leaned back and pleasantly reminisced about all of the joys and disappointments that he encountered during the year.

Homecoming, boy was that exciting. The best part of all was winning first prize on our class float. As I recall, the theme was "Cut the Cards." The work days were a hassle, but it was worth it.

As he glanced down at his hand, the sparkle of his class ring reminded him of the joy that he and his fellow classmates shared as Juniors ordering the class rings.

Then there came the "not so pleasant" thought of college entrance exams. The ACT and the SAT exams aroused questions like, will my score be high enough for me to be accepted into the college of my choice?

He quickly erased those thoughts with perhaps the most pleasant thoughts of all. Prom night was a night to remember. The soft lights, the music of the Debonaires, and being with that special person. All of the time involved in fund raising for the prom was very much appreciated because the prom was a total success. Fund raising activities included a concession stand which substantially increased the Junior class finance, and a basketball game featuring members of the faculty against members of the KOKE radio station.

With such fond memories of a successful Junior year, he replied with a sigh of relief, three down and one to go.



Alm — Gut



Joe Almazon
Jesse Ancira
Yvonne Armstrong
David Ash
Ruth Backus
Lisa Baily
Darla Baldwin



Todd Basco
Russel Becker
Kevin Biehle
Michele Brueckner
Robin Bucek
Frances Buckalew
Becky Bulgerin



Paul Burow
Lonnie Cantu
Claudio Carrasco
Amy Casey
Julia Castillo
Becky Cepak
Greg Cervenka



Angela Chasak
Barbara Chasak
Lisa Chasak
Isabel Coleman
Craig Cook
Lori Costilla
Paul Cuzzott



Dorothy Debus
Charles Deluna
Michael Dlugos
Gordon Druesdow
David Elliott
Debbie Esquivel
Joe Esquivel



Donnie Farrell
Eusebio Flores
Jeff Foster
Antonia Galvan
Lupe Gamez
Joe Garcia
Stella Garcia



Teresa Garcia
Steve Garrett
Nora Garza
Tommy Gaston
Sylvia Gayton
Alex Gola
Gary Gola



David Gomez
Christine Gonzales
Michael Gonzales
Yvonne Gonzales
Sandra Good
Delores Griffin
Rosie Gutteirrez

Juniors

Junior Goodfellows

Throughout the year, many students received honors from various individuals and organizations. One of the most prestigious honors awarded was the traditional honor of good fellow. Recipients of this honor were selected according to their popularity, academic abilities and leadership by their fellow classmates. There were five good fellows chosen by the Junior class. They were Becky Bulgerin, Amy Casey, Craig Cook, James Jackson, and Mark West.











Gathering information provides the basis for a research paper. Terry Juarez and Julie Walton collect important facts from reference books.

Searching For Facts

One of the most controversial projects that juniors encountered was writing research papers. The idea of writing a research paper seemed frightening to some, but once they learned what it was all about, the initial shock was over.

Most of the classes spent a full six weeks on the project. The first part was an introduction. During the second part, students visited libraries and conducted interviews to collect their information. The final stage of the project was organizing the information into a typewritten report.

A group of 21 Junior English students were questioned about their reports. The most popular subject studied was drugs. The majority of these students spent between 10 and 20 hours outside of class on the assignment. Ironically most of the students said that they enjoyed the project, and they learned from it.





Hal — Pol



Shelly, Hall
Tyke Harrison
Janet Hattley
Donna Hobbs
Shell Hubbard
Donna Hughes
Hazel Hunt



Lillie Hunt
Glen Hyzak
Carolyn Jackson
James Jackson
Louis Jahn
Ann Janecka
Brady Johnson



Teresa Juarez
Donna Kaspar
Vickie Keith
Kevin Kelley
Kevin Kostroun
Kristie Krenek
Kenneth Kropp



Mark Kropp
Janet Kruse
Kent Kunze
James Lantzsch
Brian Lathan
Steve Lawhon
Caroline LeBlanc



Matthew LeBlanc
Carla LeCroy
Frank Leech
Johanna Leshikar
Cheryl Lewis
Jim Lindquist
Lynn LoDico



Lennice Loeve
Robert Lopez
Edward Machicek
Allen Manley
Shraon Marburger
Sandra Martinez
Michael Massar



Jimmy McAdams
Randy Meiske
Kathy Mekolik
Stephanie Moore
Mario Moreno
Russell Muery
Ronald Mundkowsky



Raj Nadkarni
Lisa Ornelas
Eddie Pachicano
Renita Patterson
Lisa Phillips
David Pille
Laura Polasek

Juniors

Acting Smart On Saturday

Many of us had to neglect the various activities that we indulged in on one Saturday for a few hours. Can you imagine missing your favorite cartoon, or passing up the opportunity to sleep late just to take a test? We felt that at least two tests were worth it.

The results of the ACT, American College Testing Program, and the SAT, Scholastic Aptitude Test, had major roles in our college choices. Some colleges like the University of Texas required that students make high scores. Smaller colleges like Temple Junior College allowed a more lenient range of scores.

Both the ACT and SAT consisted of two parts. One part was English usage, and the other half was mathematics. The advantage of these tests was that we were allowed to take them until we reached a satisfactory score. The disadvantage was the fact that the tests were not administered in Taylor. Despite a few minor inconveniences, many Juniors felt that those college entrance exams were important.





Mailing his ACT packet, Adrian Scott barely makes the deadline. **Mary Ruiz** finds a quiet spot to register for the ACT exam. **While Troy Wade fastens the saddle** on his horse, David Elliot, his rodeo companion, checks the reins.

Steer Crazy

Every class consisted of individuals, each one being different from the other. Some of us were daring, some brave. Others of us were cowardly or timid. We proudly recognized two members of our Junior class who were both daring and brave. Those two fearless rodeo fanatics were Troy Wade and David Elliot.

David and Troy enjoyed steer-saddling in their spare time. They were very successful at the annual Taylor rodeo which was held on August 16th, 17th, and 18th. As the youngest ever to enter this very dangerous event, David and Troy won first place on the first night of the rodeo and second place on the following two nights. David explained, "People don't think it's dangerous, but it is. There are sixteen and eighteen guys all out there at the same time, and while your back is turned, another steer can come up right behind you."



Pus — Zav



David Pustejovsky
Mike Qualls
Linda Raesz
Michael Randig
Nancy Rangel
Sophie Reyes
George Rivera



Gloria Rodriguez
Mary Ruiz
Rebecca Ruiz
Kirby Sakewitz
Dietra Sauls
Karen Schaefer
Kenny Schneider



Tina Schneider
Michele Schultz
Adrian Scott
David Sefcik
Karen Shamard
Jackie Sherek
Tracy Spellings



Scott Stasny
Loretta Stefek
Mike Stefek
Donna Steger
Stacy Steger
Roger Streit
Rebecca Strnad



Joey Susan
Donna Taylor
Gina Teeple
Alvin Thomas
Debbie Thompson
Dean Threadgill
Cheryl Tomancak



Melanie Tomancak
Yvette Townsend
Hector Trevino
[redacted]
John Urbanek
Thomas Vanecak
Tim Vanecak



Mark Vittek
Troy Wade
Janet Wagner
Jackie Walton
Julie Walton
Joe Watson
Jaquelyn Welch



Louanna Werchen
Mark West
Troy Wilkins
Alan Wuthrich
Gavriel Zavala
Jennifer Zavala

Not Pictured
Barbie Alstrom
Shevon Armstrong
Miriam Balduff
Yolanda Barrera
Clyde Canon
Marion Glover
Rosie Guitierrez
Jimmy Jenson
Darlene Lewis
Lisa Morales
Elsa Saenz
Jimmy Sanchez
Charlotte Sanders
Irene Sandoval
Sharon Shaw

Aurelio Alderete
Benny Alderete
Christina Alderete
Brenda Alvarez
Andrea Anderson
Penny Bachmeyer
Greg Baker



Kenneth Baran
Chris Blakely
Keith Blomquist
Debbie Bowden
Allieen Brandyburg
Gay Brinkmeyer
Brent Brinson



Thomas Brister
Laurie Brooks
Mike Brooks
Gary Brown
James Carmona
William Carpenter
Michael Cerenka



Jackie Chalupa
Sandy Clark
Lenora Collins
Richard Costello
Gilbert Costilla
Robert Crayton
Peyton Cross



Nancy Cummings
Darrin Dale
Cynthia De La Rosa
Ely Dlugos
Monica Dykowski
Kim Fielder
Edward Filla



Lynn Fischer
Dolores Flores
Rebecca Flores
Kristie Fontenot
Connie Frankeny
Bobby Frazier
Sandra Frederick



Rita Gage
Joe Gamez
Hector Garcia
Tommie Garner
Minerva Garza
Randy Gault
Steven Gill



Linda Ging
Michael Gomez
Raul Gonzales
Stephen Gonzales
Jaecquilyn Gonzales
Michelle Griffin
Rochelle Griffin



Sophomores #1

Second Time Around

Entering the familiar building with anticipation of beginning our second year of high school, we tingled with a sense of unique feelings — feelings of maturity, relief, and pride after surviving our first confusing year. Realizing that we had achieved a rank of seniority over the Freshmen, we were aroused with a feeling of authority. Well acquainted with the surrounding environment, we adjusted well to high school life.

Since one year of high school was behind us, we became more involved with school activities. Consequently, we devoted our time and enthusiastic efforts into our fund raising projects for our class which included a concession stand and a bake sale. Together the 750 dollar profit substantially increased our class savings.

However, the work did not end there. In preparation for Homecoming, we had workshops for constructing our float. Even though a lot of work was required, it was evidently proven worthwhile. We received second place.

As the year slowly approached its end, we recollected all of our past experiences and lessons learned. We comprehended that by working together, becoming involved and feeling good about being an individual Sophomore, allowed us to develop into being a member of the *Sophomore Class*.







Paper mache on their hands, Mary Walton and Stephen Gonzales work on the padding for their homecoming float. **Dissecting a frog,** Lawrence Wright and Jakie Welch participate in a Biology lab. **Flutist, Mary Zavala,** plays along with the other flutes in their solo part in "Still" during the De Valle half time show.

Remember Ald — Gri

That?

Tina Guajardo
Gwynetha Haines
Philip Hannan
David Hanson
Janice Harris
Alaine Heselmeyer
Regina Hill



Vic Hill
Gregory Hirt
Danny Hyzak
Leslie Jacobson
Sharon Jaecks
Sheryl Jansky
Gwenda Johnson



Lance Johnson
David Kaase
David Kaatz
Darrell Kaderka
Janet Kaderka
Stephanie Kerlin
Clarissa Kimble



Matthew Krebs
Matthew Kreidel
Brian Kruse
Clayton Lefner
Bill Lo Dico
Brett Luck
Lori Machu



Dwayne Martin
Sherri Maxwell
Willie Mays
Carl McDonald
Renee McDonald
Shelly Meiske
Buddy Michna



Gail Mokry
James Mokry
Robert Mokry
Arthur Montgomery
Terri Moore
Karen Motal
Sharon Naivar



Shawn Newsey
David Odom
John Oranday
Cynthia Pachicano
Robert Pachicano
Tony Patschke
Tony Perez



Karen Raesz
Malcolm Ratdig
Regina Reichenbach
Keith Repa
Jason Richter
Timothy Reiger
Sherill Ripple



Sophomores



Sophomore Goodfellows

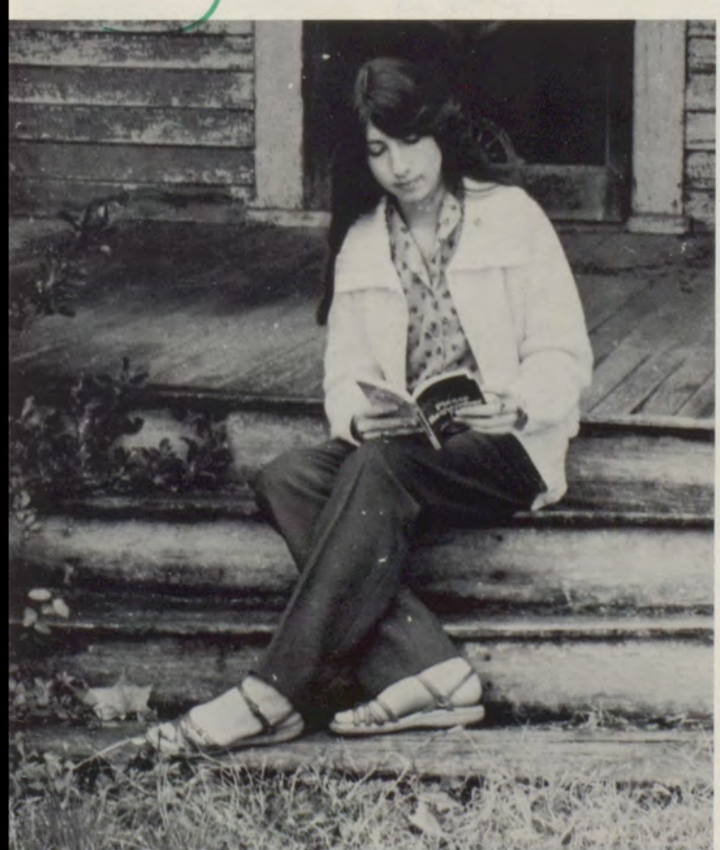
Traditionally, Sophomores selected four members out of their 180 classmates. These students were chosen because of their friendly personality, fellowship and merely the fact that they were goodfellows.

Bobby Frazier was active in JV Football, JV Basketball, and on the Var. Tennis Team.

Buddy Michna participated in JV Football, in Student Senate, was reporter for FFA, and a member of the Blackland.

Shelly Meiske was JV cheerleader, a member of FTA and played on the Var. Tennis Team.

Cheryl Wade was JV cheerleader, in Concert Choir, a member of FTA, and on the Girls' Track Team.



Our Own Little World

Being in the shoes of a high school student was not all fun and games. Many times our hectic schedules demanded much of our spare time. There were exams to study for, deadlines to meet and long hours of practice sessions to attend. The responsibilities and pressure often became hard to handle. Because of these demands, we felt a need to be by ourselves — to get away from it all.

Many of us, to escape from the hussel and bussel of everyday life, found peace and solitude in the privacy of our room or by taking long walks. We enjoyed spending time in a secluded place which gave us an opportunity to recollect our private thoughts and to seek out who we really are.

This was the pleasing side of solitude, there was also a harsh side to it. Many times we found ourselves standing in a crowd of friends and feeling completely isolated.

Although our busy schedules occupied much of our time, we somehow managed to escape into our own little world of solitude. Finding peace within ourselves and within our surroundings often made our demands seem more bearable.

Steps of an old abandoned house is where Dora Velasquez finds a secluded haven to enjoy her book. High school students often found that their busy schedule made solitude elusive. Yet everyone seemed to find their own secret little world to escape to.

Gua — Rip

Trinidad Rivera
Reginald Robinson
Vladimir Ruzicka
Clayton Sakewitz
Wallis Sanborn
Sharon Schaefer
John Schmidt



Janine Schultz
Connie Simien
Tracy Sims
Jo Ann Siptak
Emily Sitman
Clement Skrhak
Terry Skrhak



Kevin Spiller
Shelia Srnensky
Amy Stabeno
Michael Steffek
Carol Stewart
Herman Stork
Jerry Susan



Joe Talasek
Kathy Tillis
Regina Tillis
Steve Torres
Renee Touchstone
Kenneth Townsend
Ruben Trevino



Joseph Urbanek
Michael Vanek
Dora Velasquez
Jorge Velasquez
Cheryl Wade
Clayton Walther
Mary Walton



Darrell Washington
Ronda Whittington
Roger Wilson
Karen Wooldridge



Lawrence Wright
Ginger Wuensche
Linda Zachary
Mary Zavala



Lisa Zucknick



Not Pictured:
Genral Blakely
Richard Budd
Berry Graham
Sammie Griffin
Larry Jefferson
Bruce Jensen
Donna Jensen
Vivana Johnson
Danny Martinez
Jasper Milligan
Bobby Milliken
William Randle
Angela Tovar
Victor Valdez
Victoria Valdez
Edna Jackson
Ivory Tealer
Jeannie Guentzel
Cynthia Polasek
Edna Jackson
Samuel Franklin
Kenneth Jackson
Tina Sheppard
Edward Ware
Jennifer Koenig
David Owens
Perlinda Stoglin



Sophomores



Mane Craze

While other students were enjoying the cowboy hats and boots that accompanied the country western craze, Lisa Zucknick found another way of contributing to it. For nine years she has collected over one hundred and thirty model horses. The sizes ranged from one half inch to ten inches tall. They are made of molded plactic.

Asked why she enjoys this hobbie, she replied, "They are a collector's item and less trouble than a real horse. I also want to learn more about horses to help me pursue my career as a horse trainer."

Although horses are no longer used in our society, they are now being used more for pleasure and show purposes. Lisa Zucknick plans to increase her collection and hand it down to her future generations.

Escaping to a world of miniature horses is the way Lisa Zucknick finds relief from the pressure and anxieties of her high school life. **Practice** makes perfect. Mike Gayton practices on his parallel parking to improve his driving skills before taking his driver's test. **Shopping for a car,** James Carmona checks the price tag on a new model.





One Step Closer

One day we awakened to realize that we were almost sixteen years old. For many of us this meant gaining independence and trust as we became young adults. One of the most important events was receiving our driver's license.

Taking driver's ed meant hours of class before actually getting behind the wheel of a car. Then hours more were spent practicing parallel parking and techniques to improve our driving skills. We anxiously awaited our sixteenth birthday and our driving test.

When it was all over, we realized that the long hours of driver's ed and the many hours spent on parallel parking was all worthwhile. It was also another step closer to adulthood and consequently to our independence.

Riv — Zuc

Freshmen

Laura Aguitar
Antonio Alderete
Desmond Aldridge
Angela Allen
Alex Alvarez
Henry Alvarez
Esther Arocha



Tony Arocha
Keith Bachmayer
Christy Baker
Donald Baker
James Baldwin
Edward Banks
Claire Bartosh



Lance Bland
Dion Bradford
Melvin Bradford
Brian Broadnax
Keith Brooks
Demetrious Budd
Duane Burt



Edward Carmona
Gloria Carrasco
Chris Chapa
Lamon Cook
Betty Cravens
Lori Davis
Brad Dawson



Matti Deary
Diana Dominquez
Hope Dominquez
Karen Dominquez
Vicki Farrell
David Fillmore
Odis Fletcher



Francisco Flores
Laura Fredrick
Teresa Frederick
Jackie Fuller
Rosie Gamez
Sylvia Gamez
Ysedreff Garza



Mike Gayton
Mark Gilley
Deanna Gipson
Allen Gola
Dolores Gola
Johnny Gonzales
Sylvia Gonzales



Karen Gordon
Beverly Gorrells
Eddie Griffith
Johnny Gusman
Tony Gutierrez
Heidi Harrison
Jewel Hartley



Here We Are

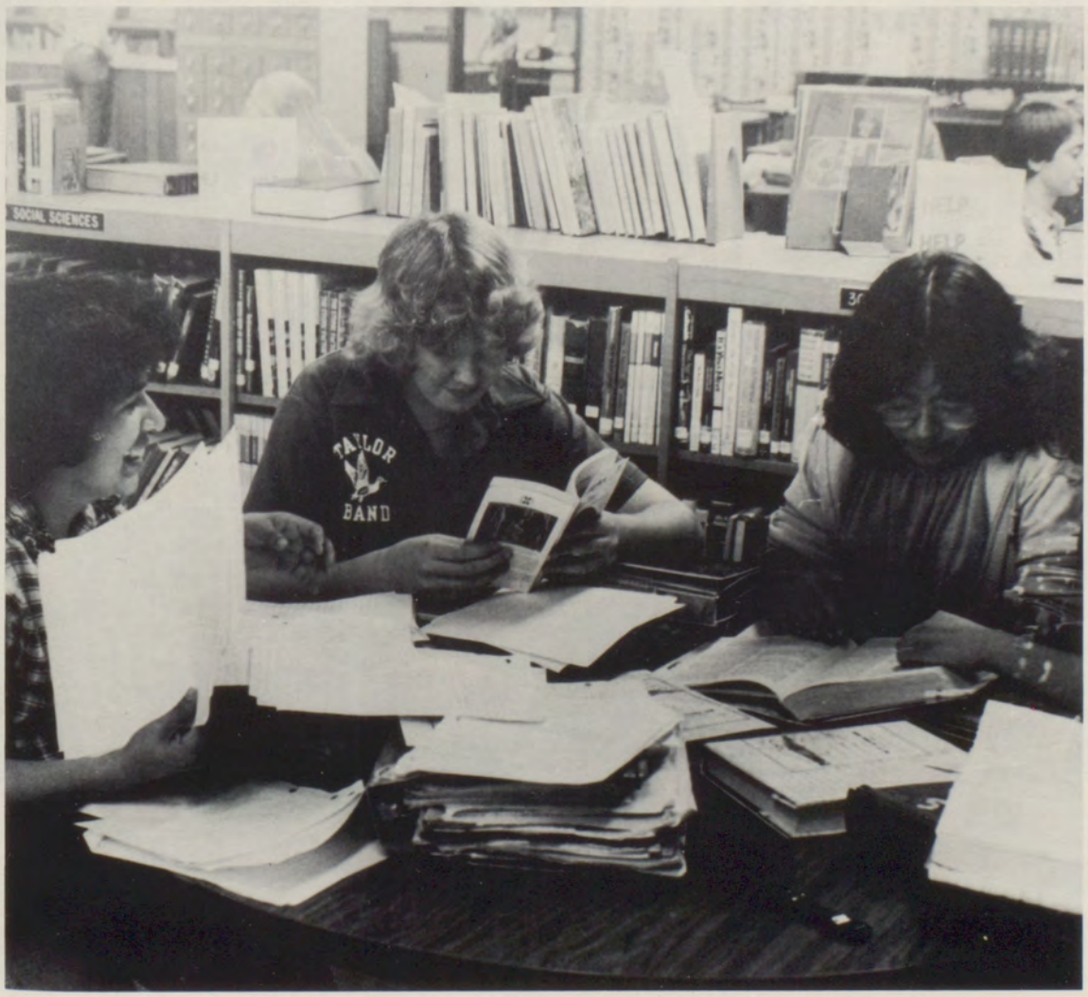
Well, here I am. I feel so strange, butterflies flying in my stomach, the tension almost unbearable. How can any fourteen year old take such pressure? Oh no, there's a group of seniors. Feet, please don't fail me now. Whew! I made it past them without any hassle. How lucky. Let's see, the library is just around the corner, and the band hall is by the cafeteria, or is it by the office? Where do I report for PE? Oh, I'll never remember everything. Please let the day end!

Our thoughts and actions were always the most unique and unusual of any class in the school. Confusion was ever present on our faces, and our clusters were always numerous and shy. But after a short time, it was harder to distinguish us from the upper- classmen, as we grew accustomed to our surroundings.

As we matured, action took the place of our uneasiness. Constructing our Homecoming float, decorating halls and our involvement with school activities helped us to work as a unit and to grow in maturity.

Well, it's over. I am now considered a Sophomore. How great! But wait, what's so great about being a Sophomore? Nobody pays attention to us anyway. Why can't I be a Freshman again? It was so much fun.







Cramming for upcoming tests, Heidi Polach, Karen Dominguez, and Diane Oviedo review their study notes. **Preparing for their 7th annual Local History Day,** Jr. historians make signs. **Listening through ear phones,** Gloria Torres has her ears tested.

Freshmen

Tim Haverland
John Haynes
Stephen Henry
Martin Hernandez
Marty Hernandez
Michael Hill
Ann Hodon



Karen Hollowell
Roger Huber
Chris Huff
Carolyn Jackson
Doris Jackson
Edyie Jackson
Kevin Jackson



Terence Jackson
Lori Jahn
Michelle Jimenez
Demitra Johnson
Earl Johnson
Gloria Johnson
Julie Johnson



Joan Kaderka
Lynn Keeling
Kim Kelley
Jeff Kirchoff
Julie Kirschvink
Marvin Klepac
Jerry Koehler



Patrick Kovar
Mark Krueger
Dee Dee Kruse
Troy Lane
Denise Larkins
Danny Leschber
Rhonda Leschber



Jeff Lloyd
Elaine Loeve
Lisa Lopez
Paul Lopez
Terrie Lundy
Cheryl Marshall



Adam Martinez
Dora Ann Martinez
Dora Martinez
Monica Matysek
Sheri McAdams
Cheryl Mc Alister
Mark Meyer



Lynn Mokry
Monica Morales
Scott Morales
Johnny Moreno
Doug Moss
Sandra Motal
Lisa Mott
Wayne Mueller



Hav — Mue









Freshman Goodfellows

These four freshmen students were judged on the basis of class involvement, personal attitudes, and fellowship. They were elected by their peers to represent the Freshman class as goodfellows.

Claire Bartosh was Freshman class secretary, a member of FTA and played on the Tennis team.

Brian Broadnax participated on the Freshman Football and Basketball Teams.

David Fillmore was active in Freshman Football and Basketball and on the Boys' Track Team.

Sonya Ross was JV cheerleader, in Concert Choir, and played on the JV Volleyball Team.



One of These Days

Did you ever have one of those days when everything you did went wrong? The alarm didn't go off so you were an hour late and had only fifteen mintues to dress before catching the bus. While dressing, you realized that your mom had not washed the day before and you didn't have a clean pair of jeans to wear.

When you arrived at school, you were tardy and given D-hall. In algebra, you had a major exam for which you had forgotten to study the night before. At lunch, you spilled your food on your new blouse.

School was finally over. Running to catch the bus, you tripped and all of your books and papers went flying everywhere. As you bent over to pick them up, your pants ripped. It was just one of those days.



After encountering a collision in the hall, Robin Thaler gathers up her books. **Taking a nap.** During a hard day of school, Karen Gordon finds time in class to catch up on her lost sleep.

Freshmen

Melanie Nelson
Jimmy Nieto
Richard Olguin
Amanda Olivarez
Emma Oritz
Diane Oviedo
Kathy Pape



Chris Parker
Craig Pepper
Irene Perez
Veronica Pina
Thomas Pokorney
Heidi Polach
Steven Preuss



John Price
Jim Randig
Paula Rankin
Sebastian Rivera
Howard Ross
Sonya Ross
Beatrice Ruiz



Debbie Ruiz
Vickie Safarik
Tony Sanchez
Jolynn Schaefer
Juanita Shaw
Robert Simien
Andrea Stautz



Marcia Stephens
Michael Stephens
Nancy Stover
Tammy Strmiska
Detrit Sykes
Sherrie Tanksley
Timmie Tealer



Eddie Tealer
Robin Thaler
Andy Thompson
Sheryl Tieman
Curtis Tieman
Ernest Torres
Gloria Torres

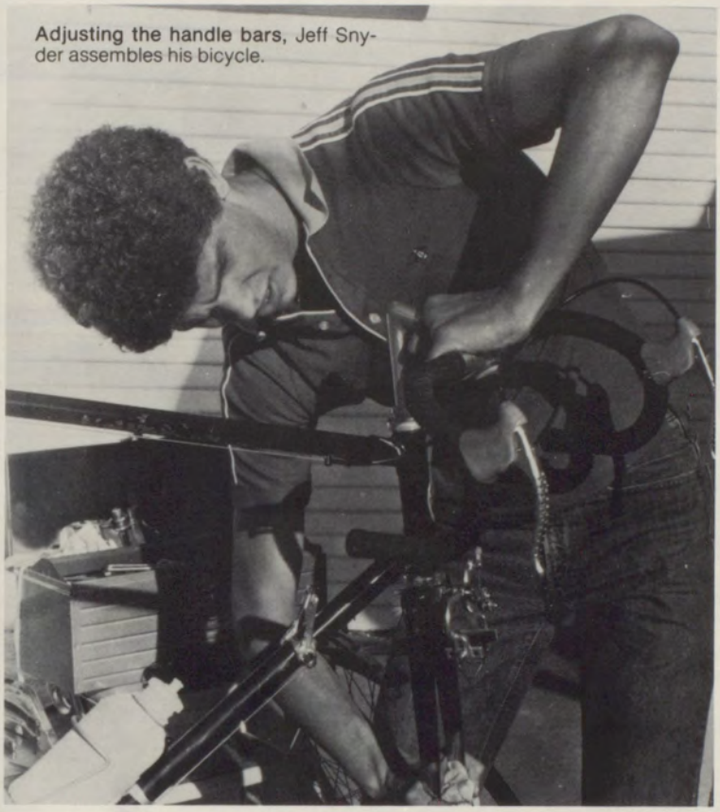


Irene Torres
Richard Torres
Jaime Tovar
Linda Tovar
Aida Trevino
Robert Trevino
Teresa Turner



Sally Balerio
Myra Valverede
Chris Vanek
Janine Veselka
James Wagner
Corrine Walters
John Walton





Adjusting the handle bars, Jeff Snyder assembles his bicycle.

Cycle Mania

At a time when most Freshmen were kept busy with school work and activities, Jeff Snyder tied all ends together to combine his favorite sport with his occupation. Thus his spare time and work hours were centered around one thing. Cycling. For the past two years, he has devoted his interest to repairing and assembling bicycles. He has spent almost 900 dollars on two bicycles alone, with some parts ranging from 10 to 200 dollars.

When asked why he enjoys working and cycling on bicycles he replied, "It's fun riding on an open road and taking pride in my work."

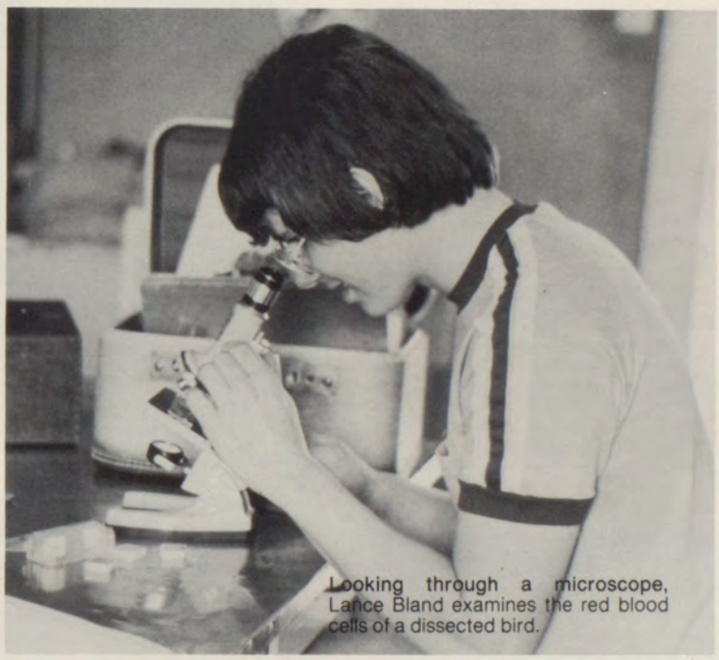
Whether you look at cycling as a sport or as a source of exercise, Jeff has found it to be a worthwhile hobby and a profitable one. "Besides," Jeff says, "with the prices of gas these days, riding a bicycle will help our economy fight the gas shortage."

Experience in Experiments

While freshmen were getting acquainted with their unfamiliar science material, Lance Bland was conducting experiments on his own. For the past nine years, he has occupied his spare time experimenting with electronics, chemicals, and all forms of biology. He has recreated a number of now famous experiments to reaffirm some proven theories.

When asked to describe his first experiment, he replied, "I began mixing vinegar and bleach in a plastic bowl. The temperature imcreased to a boiling point which melted the bowl. Later I found out that I was dealing with chlorine gas which is extremely poisonous."

His reason for choosing this particular hobby is the fact that it will help him in pursuing a career as a Biochemist. His amateur attempts might be vital in the scientific world in the years to come.



Looking through a microscope, Lance Bland examines the red blood cells of a dissected bird.

Not Pictured:

Arnold Alderete
Josie Alderete
Rudy Alderete
Lester Bailey
Ron Barcuch
Donald Brown
Eric Bunn
Polly Coleman
Patricia Deary
Barbara Demps
Robert Filla
Ruben Glavan
Bobby Guzman
Sherman Houston
Kevin Klotz
Martin Martinez
John Matuke
Howard McCallie
Cynthia Mohell
Della Nealy
Manuel Ochoa
Michael Ortiz
Abel Robles
Jeffrey Snyder
Janice Tealer
Shannon Thorton
Johnny Torres
Ben Valerio
Pable Vasquez
Max Villanueva



Susan Wolbreuck
Joe Woods
Rusty Wright
Dudley Yeoman
Gina Young
Paul Zavala

Bill Albert: Biology; CVAE Biology; CVAE Physical Science; Physical Science; Health
Raymond Amaro: Health; World History; JV Baseball; Freshman Basketball; V Football
Ross Baldwin: Principal
David Bates: Counselor
Patty Clark: English II, IV; Sr. Project Go; NHS; Etc.

Mary Alice Comacho: Office Aide
Judith Cooley: Choir
John Crow: World History; Latin I
Scorro De La Rosa: Special Education
Jose Esquivel: Business Eng; General Business; Typing I; Sophomore Class

Good 'Ole Mr. E!

LaVerne Eulenfeld: Library Aide
Maurine Frost: Government; Sociology; Black Cultures
Beverly Grace: MOCE; Intro. Algebra II; Algebra I
Bridget Graham: English I, II
Steve Guajardo: CVAE Shop

Irma Guerra: English I; CVAE English; Spanish I, II; PASF
Jeannie Hill: Shorthand I; Accounting I; Typing II; Student Senate
Sandra Hill: Resource English
Weldon Hulsey: Auto Mechanics; VICA
Cliff Ivicic: VAC

Liz Klar: Girls' PE; Girls' Volleyball; Girls' Track
Susan Komandosky: English I; Journalism I, II; Cotton Boll
Sid Krhovjak: Biology
Harold Kurtz: Vocational Agriculture; FFA
Barbara Leschber: VOE Co-op; Student Senate; OEA

Mary Livingood: Librarian; Jr. Historians
Velma Loeve: Office Aide
Odessa Mackey: FOM; CVAE FOM
Shirley Manning: Jr. VOE Laboratory; OEA; Junior Class
Leslie Michalik: FOM; Intro. Alg. I; Alg. II; JV Football; JV Basketball

Martha Miller: Occupational Investigation; FTA
Leon Nickerson: Boys' PE; V Track
Priscilla Parsons: CVAE English; English I, II, Mallard
Naomi Pasemann: Counselor
Charles Pool: American History



Faculty

Faculty Speaks Out



"I have mixed feelings about the whole thing. I think that having the exemption policy the way it stands is both good and bad." Mrs. Komandosky

"I understood that the reason the students were required to take at least one exam a day, was for the experience of testing on the high school level." Mrs. Sherry



There were many rules that we felt should have been changed. If one looked hard enough, there was someone to disagree with every rule. One of the most commented on policies was the new exemption policy. The policy stated that a student could be exempt with four absences and an A, two absences and a B, or no absences and a C. The faculty voiced many different opinions on the subject of the exemption policy.

All teachers agreed that the policy was good because it encouraged students to attend school, but they also felt that a few changes should be made. Some teachers felt that no student wih a C average should be exempt. Many felt that having a C menat that the student still needed to review the work.

Most teachers also agreed that a student with an A should be exempt no matter how many absences. While Mr. Seals realized that the policy could be unfair, he also stressed the need for allowing only a certain number of absences. "It's unfair when a student with an A gets the flu and misses five days, but it is not something we can make an exception to or the policy will become so watered down that it doesn't serve the desired purposes."

Many teachers also disagreed with the students having the choice of taking the grade if they were exempt. Most teachers felt that a student should be totally exempt and if he chose to take the test, the grade should stand. Some teachers felt that allowing the student to choose only gave the teacher more useless work.

Although there were many arguments for and against the different aspects of the new policy, it remained the same. The policy might be changed in the future, but there will probably still be points argued. Mr. Seals stated, "It would be easier on everyone if we said everyone was exempt but that isn't the purpose of school."

"Last year's policy was unfair to other students. We had students with an A and many absences who were still exempt. Those students who were able to take easy classes and still make an A with that many absences made it unfair to those taking harder classes." Mr. Seals





"It's good if the student gets to choose if he will take the exam grade since it will affect his grade." Mr. Crow

Alb-Poo

Dotty Rambo: Plane Geometry; Trig; E.A.; Alg. I; Hi-Steppers
Diane Robbins: Office Duplication Practices I, II; Senior Class
Jack Seals: Vice-Principal
Jeanne Sherry: Chemistry; Physics; Advanced Science
Eddie Spiller: ICT; VICA; Junior Class



Hollie Striet: Resource Aide
Marilyn Tennill: DE; DECA; Cheerleaders; Freshman Class
Betty Tomlin: English II, III; Reading Improvement; NHS
Janie Turner: English II, III; Jr. Project Go; FTA



Not Pictured are:
Emerson Brister: Voc. Ag.; Ag Co-op
Ernest Carter: VEH H S
Ed Coward: Building Trades
David Kyser: Speech; Flag Corps
Lynn Lankford: HECE
Bob Lindquist: Typing; Athletic Dir.
Scott Moss: World His.; Am. His.
Bobbie Nickerson: HECE
Danny Potts: Health
Wayne Schroeder: Boys Basketball
Dan Sherry: Intro. Alg.; Alg II
Jay Taylor: Band Director
Alfred Terrazas: Drafting
Jalene Tuced: HECE



School Board

Discussing changes for the upcoming school year are the new School Board members. They are Gene Raesz, Superintendent Mervyn Greer, S. R. Moss, Shannon McMakin, Jerry Ash, Dale Cummings, Ron Werner, Frank Rivers — not pix.

Cafeteria Workers



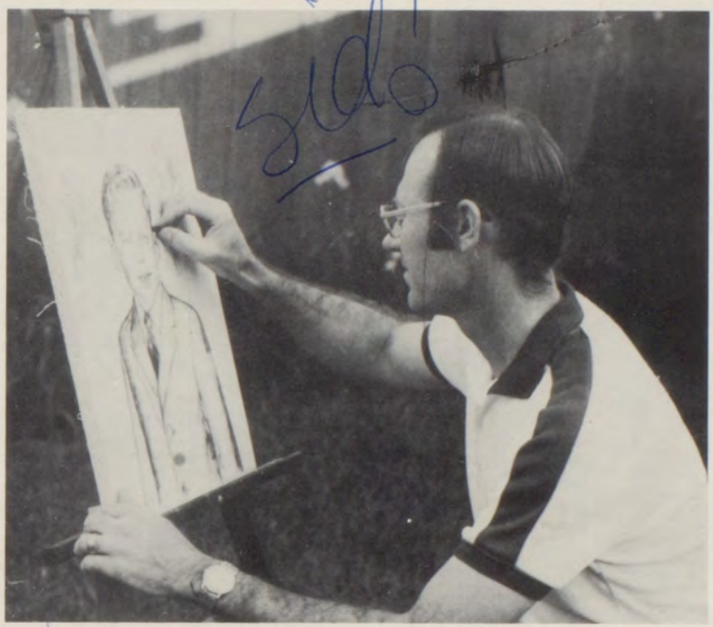
Cafeteria workers are (FRONT ROW): Olga Kaatz, Ela Sorenson, Martha Kruse, Lula Jenson (BACK ROW): Supervisor Diane Ranike, Erma Wuthrick, Thelma Barron, Millie Rieger, and Delores Naivar.

Faculty

Teachers Are People, Too

When the 3:30 bell rang ending our school day, we all went our separate ways and did our own thing. We were finally free to do something we enjoyed after taking tests, writing English papers and working all those Algebra problems. While we were out enjoying ourselves, few of us realized that we were not the only ones who needed outside activities to help us get away from the pressures of school. Teachers also needed something to help them relax and forget about the problems of school. Choosing education as their career did not require that our teachers live and breathe school.

We sometimes forgot that our teachers were people too. While our activities outside of school varied from sports to hobbies to music and dancing, so did theirs. There were those teachers who, like many of us, enjoyed athletic activities. Sports, frisbee throwing and exercise were activities that our teachers could be found enjoying. Staying physically fit was important to them too. We were also not the only ones who enjoyed music and dancing. Our teachers participated in dancing. Some learned to dance in dancing groups or enjoyed just listening to music. The activities of our teachers were as varied as our own. So while we were out enjoying ourselves, our teachers were not always grading papers and planning their next test. They also needed some time to just relax and enjoy themselves.



Occupying spare time with hobbies was something we all did and hobbies were as varied as our personalities. Each was an expression of the individual. Mr. Krhovjak uses his artistic ability to finish a painting.



Outdoor sports and other activities were enjoyed by teachers. Ms. Guerra participates in frisbee throwing. ***Dancing*** has been a popular pastime for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Tomlin take square-dancing lessons in Pflugerville.













Everything had to fit into place before the final purchase was made. Minnie Garza checks the fit, price, and style. Oranges sold by the pound reached ceiling prices as Elizabeth Barratachea discovers while grocery shopping at Safeway. Buying a new radio proved to be a major investment. Jan Tate carefully examines the radio Adam Martinez, TG & Y employee, displays. Gatorade didn't lose its popularity during the year's inflation, as Robert Lopez demonstrates. Car prices soared right alongside gas expenses. Joy Harris compares automobile sticker prices at one of Taylor's dealers.

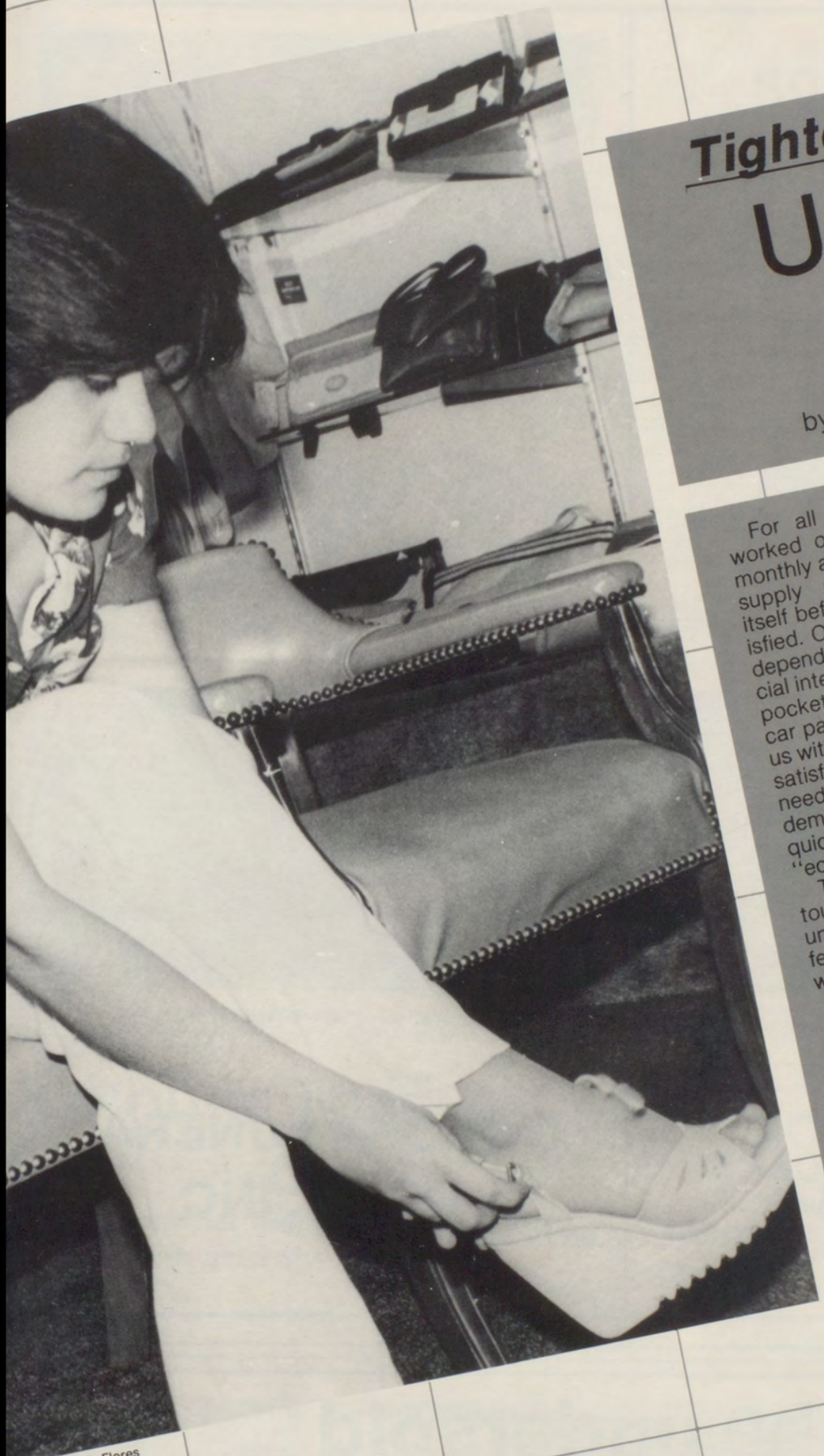


photo by Stella Flores

Tightening the Belt

Up Another Notch

by Linda Brown

For all of us whether we worked or simply received a monthly allowance, our money supply seemed to deplete itself before our need was satisfied. Our investments greatly depended upon age and special interest. While some of our pocket books strained to meet car payments, others supplied us with the needed currency to satisfy our fashion or social needs. Regardless of our academic schedule we learned quickly what was meant by "economic crunch."

To say that inflation merely touched our lives would be an understatement, each of us felt the bite. A weekend date with a favorite girl including a dinner and a movie could easily cost $25.00. In a month's time we found that our gas tanks had consumed at least $20.00 and our clothing costs ranged anywhere from $50.00 to $70.00. These necessities seemed almost too expensive to retain. We had very little left to spend on hobbies and other miscellaneous expenses.

The year brought promises of rising costs and a renewed motivation to earn more money. When our stack of cash got low, our belts had to be tightened. Somehow we managed and each of us gained a new insight into the status of the economy.

PAUL ANDERSON
PLUMBING & ELECTRIC

704 W. Second 352-2841

THE TWIN'S SHOP



315 N. Main 352-6232



Comfortable and stylish furniture are available to suit anyone's taste at Crim Furniture. Robin Thaler, Jolyn Schaefer, and Karen Schaefer take a minute to relax at Crim's after a hectic morning of shopping in downtown Taylor.

CRIM FURNITURE
. . . For Your browsing pleasure!

120 W. Second 352-3212



Cleaning cars before they are to be sold requires a great amount of time. Ricky Janecka washes one car that is on display.

RUSSELL'S USED CARS
"Cleanest Cars in Town"

306 W. Fourth 352-3489



Condra Funeral Home, serving Taylor in times of need.

CONDRA FUNERAL HOME, INC.

503 Talbot 352-3636

Not to be undersold

I can't believe how much they have marked me down! I know I'm worth a lot more than this.", one pair of U•R• Free jeans says to another. "Just because TG & Y ran a half price sale on all of their ladies pants and jeans we suffer and get marked so much lower than our quality." This is the way it went for all articles sold at TG & Y and Wal Mart.

Both stores sold basically the same things and therefore the prices decreased. Each were not to be undersold.





Keeping things cool is their business at Marx Repair Service where they offer refrigeration and air conditioning repairs. James Marx takes time from his job to pose for a picture.

MARX REPAIR SERVICE

1010 Symes **352-3393**

SCHWENKER'S REXALL PHARMACY

"Good Luck Ducks"
Frances and Stan Schwenker

2407 N. Main **352-3659**

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"Family Owned for Four Generations Since 1903"

115 W. Third **352-3212**



Buy your class rings from House Jewelry. They offer a full line of custom designs. Weldon House Jr. and Lynn Purcell display some of the popular styles for senior rings.

HOUSE JEWELRY CO.

Remember the times of your life with gold and diamonds.

309 N. Main **352-3656**



Pay a little and receive plenty at Golden Fried Chicken. Gary Brown buys a tasty snack during his lunch break.

GOLDEN FRIED CHICKEN

Eat In or take it out!

1701 W. Second **352-7168**





Select a record from the music department at TG & Y where they offer a large selection. Stephanie Kerlin and Monica Dykowski take advantage of the low sale price to buy their favorite records. **Shop and save** at Walmart where they have special discounts daily. Here Linda Raesz sorts through a pile of lingerie.

Shelly's size!

FIRST-TAYLOR National Bank
TAYLOR, TEXAS

First Taylor National Bank employees and their children are: (FRONT ROW) Jolynn Schaefer, Shelly Meiske, Karen Schaefer (SECOND ROW) David Kaase, Judy Kaase, Joy Ash, Linda Schaefer, Gladys Brister (BACK ROW) Stanley Keese, Marc Keese, Randy Meiske, David Ash, Tommy Brister, and Carolyn Meiske.



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New Places to Shop

Taylor's newest shopping center opened on highway 95 north. This shopping center, Taylor Plaza, consisted of seven stores; Safeway, The Gift Shop, The Shoe Palace, Revco, Denium Den and A & K Appliance.

Taylor Plaza was an asset to this community because it provided employment to many Taylor High students.

Because of the location of the shopping center, the growth of Taylor shifted northward. Two stores Safeway and The Gift Shop moved their locations from downtown to Taylor Plaza.



TAYLOR
TODAY
TOMORROW
TAYLOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 231 352-2342

SEVENTH ST. DAY CARE AND EARLY LEARNING CENTER

18 Months-6 Years
Susan Turner — Owner — Director
619 Vernon 352-8350

The Shoe Palace

TAYLOR PLAZA
3106 N. Main 352-3419



WILCOX-ELLIOTT INC.

715 W. 2nd 352-6301

Keeping track of records and shipping orders are very important in any business, especially one involving agriculture. Calvin Janek Jr. and Larry Sladek prepare an inventory report at Wilcox Elliott Inc.



With the arrival of the new, the old must be removed. Once a mere agricultural field, Taylor Plaza now represents a part of the ever growing industrial world.



D's fashions furnishes the latest styles for students at a reasonable price. Gina Young, Karen Raesz, and Sylvia Gonzales carefully look through the wide selection of shirts.

D's

319 N. Main 352-3020



Raesz Food Mart carries all of your grocery needs and provides customers with quick and friendly service.

RAESZ FOOD MART

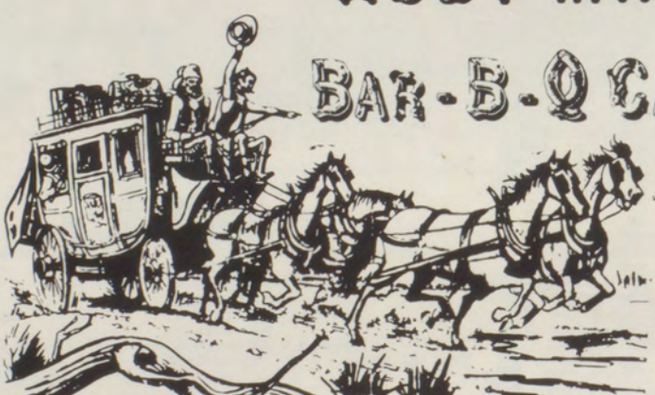


301 Elliot 352-3161

TAYLOR'S #1 EATING PLACE

RUDY MIKESKA'S

BAR-B-Q CAFETERIA



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QUALITY FOOD & SERVICE
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CATERING SERVICE

MODERATE PRICES
ULTRA CLEAN

300 W. Second Taylor Phone 352-3722

The Whole Town Is Going Out of Business

Competition. It makes or breaks a business in today's world. But it is very seldom that any town sees an established business of 10 or more years suddenly lock it's doors with no forewarning. Gibson's and Prewitt's were the latest victims, falling prey to a younger crop of retailers. The fact that with success comes failure is clearly seen as a seemingly fresh group of competitors squeezed out the long time veterans of the game played in the Taylor area.





Growing concern offers various styles and arrangements for any floral event. Donna Lecroy examines a Christmas wreath arrangement.



THE GROWING CONCERN

401 N. Main 352-8377

KEN'S LIQUOR

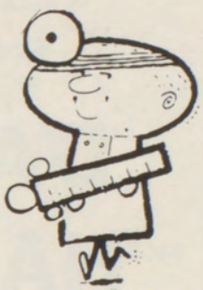
Wines, Liquors, and Cheap Prices

Kenneth Sefcik 352-5095

108½ Second Taylor

THRIFTY PHARMACY

203 4th Street 352-5517





Taylor Motor Company repairs and sells new and used cars. Peyton Cross models one of the many economy cars.

TAYLOR MOTOR COMPANY

200 Porter CHEVROLET 352-3618





Quitting business became a familiar phrase in the downtown area as Prewitt's Hardware shut it's doors in the 1980-1981 school year. **General upkeep** and repair seem of little importance as Gibsons sold its building to an upcoming attraction, a skating rink.



HWI
The Friendly Ones®

DAWSON'S HARDWARE
1910 N. Main 352-3651

You can help.

You've heard a lot about the need to conserve electricity and all forms of energy. Not only does conservation help save our nation's precious energy resources, it helps you and your family save money since the cost of energy is a big chunk out of most families' budgets. You can help your family by doing your part ... make sure you close doors and windows when the heating or air conditioning unit is on; don't "graze" when you raid the refrigerator — know what you want before you open the door; hot water takes energy — try a shorter shower; and make sure the television or stereo is off when you're through with it. Work with your family to save energy now ... you'll help make sure there will be enough for everyone when you start a family of your own.

TPL
TEXAS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
A tax-paying, investor-owned electric utility



WALMART
They forgot this ad!
"We Will Not Be Undersold"
SONIC
also known as
"Emil's Place"
Highway 95 North 352-5505
Remember
FINE Emil !!
(Emo)

Expanding the Choice

As a community grows, all aspects of that community will undoubtedly grow. A new educational facility is one of the rarest changes an area receives but a new school made its way into our system. A Christian school under the guidance of Robert Malone occupied the old Christ Fellowship Church building. The new chance of expanding one's choice of school delighted most residents as it became the second religion based school in town. It provides a new change for our area.





Pfennigs provides all medications and prescriptions possible for good health and comfort. Mike Gomez purchases a prescribed order from an employee.

PFENINGS PRESCRIPTION PHARMACY

511 N. Main **352-5233**

BUCK'S MEDICAL RENTAL SERVICE

"Medical Aids for All Handicaps"

503 Mallard Ln. **352-7064**

THE TAYLOR CAFE



101 N. Main **352-9064**



Graham Ford carries numerous cars and trucks. Archie and Ben Graham display one of the many pick-up trucks designed for your driving pleasure.

GRAHAM FORD SALES

"The Best of Ford Products"

1600 N. Main **352-6318**





Attentive looks and aprehension assist all new students of the Christian school as the first day of classes began. **Individual assistance** was one of the many high points of the new school and its different format.

The City National Bank
TAYLOR, TEXAS

Many conveniences of a full-service bank are provided by the City National Bank. J. M. Guyot takes advantage of the drive-through service.



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A New Addition

Since the time that the gates of the Granger Dam were closed, the lake has proven to be a beneficial addition to our community. The Granger Lake may serve as an additional water supply for the Taylor area, but it will also provide us with a recreational facility. The grounds surrounding the lake are the site of many picnic areas. Cabins are also being built on the grounds around the lake. Taylor residents now have an alternative to the lakes in Austin. They can now travel half the distance and enjoy the same benefits in Granger.





The Cake Shop bakers Rosie Priem and Amelia Pokorny pose with Lennice Loeve and Brenda Loeve.

THE CAKE SHOP

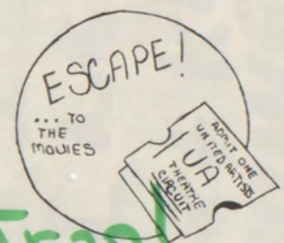
919 W. Fourth **352-5364**

JIFFY CLEANING CENTER

512 W. Second **352-6305**

HOWARD THEATER

Twin Screens
352-3761
308 N. Main



#1 Rat Trap!



TAYLOR FLORAL COMPANY INC.

The Holmstroms
Serving the Taylor
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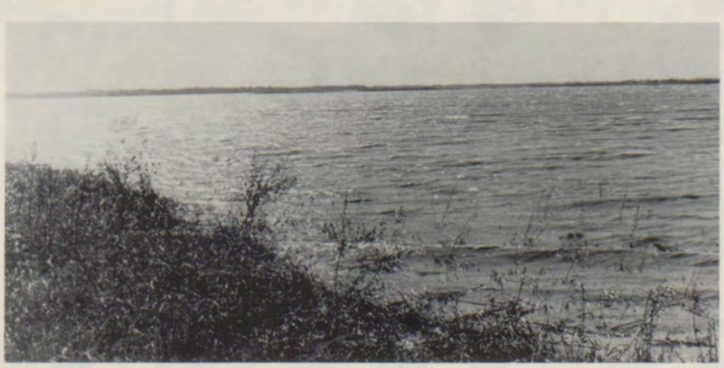
Sixth and Davis **352-6369**

Choosing a gift was made easy by the wide selection at Taylor Floral. Betty Cravens selects an arrangement.





The Taylor Park is just one of the many parks surrounding the Granger Dam. **Offering an alternative** to the lakes in Austin, the Granger Lake is more conveniently located and provides many of the same benefits.



A Sign of Progress

ENRICHMENT... ABUNDANCE... FULFILLMENT
ALL POSSIBLE THROUGH THRIFT!

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS OF AUSTIN

108 W. Fifth

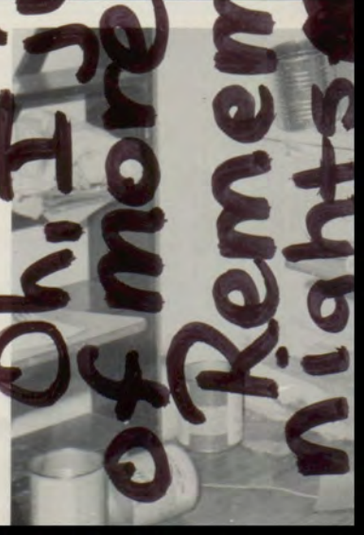
FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK SYSTEM

352-357

Places to Learn In

The building that a student is educated in is almost as important as the people he is educated by. We cannot be expected to learn in the cramped, inadequately heated buildings that characterized the schools in the Taylor ISD.

A bond proposal was made and the proposal passed. A new school and other renovations will improve the learning conditions. The changes that will be made will not only provide us with comfort, but also increase our safety.



1972 School Bond



Filling out order forms is just one of Reggie Hill's responsibilities at Central Auto Parts. Here he is shown ordering a muffler for a customer.

CENTRAL AUTO PARTS

Service Dept.
Open Sundays

1022 N. Main 352-5511

COWAN'S HOME DECORATING SUPPLY

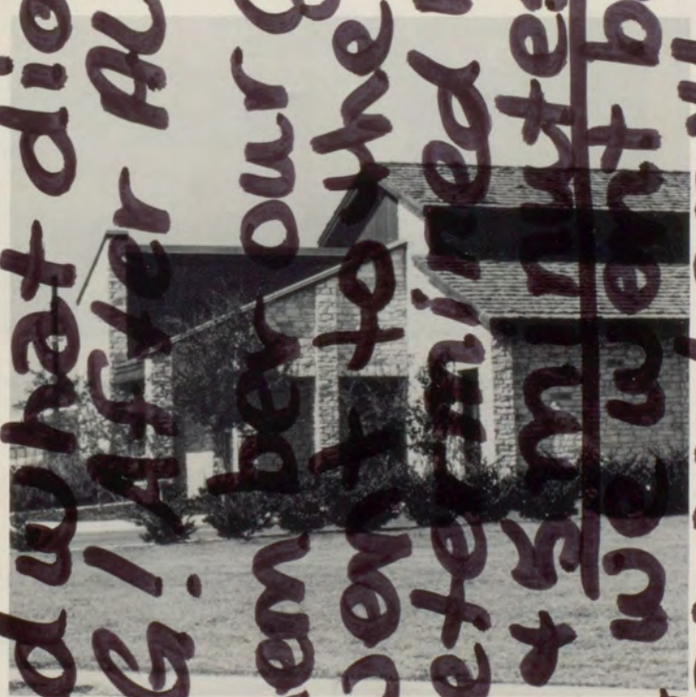
"You're #1 With Us"

120 W. Fourth 352-6131

TAYLOR LAWN MOWER SHOP

Owner:
Don B. Bearden

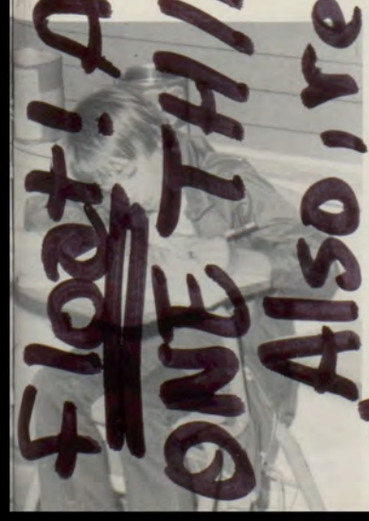
1400 W. Second 352-5217



TAYLOR SAVINGS & LOAN

1701 N. Main 352-3623

Taylor Savings and Loan offers financial assistance to the Taylor Area.



Tin cans collecting the water from the leaky roof prove only to be a temporary solution to the problem. The loud noise from the water hitting the metal is a more difficult problem to solve. Roofing ceilings such as this one are not uncommon in the Taylor schools.



Working on books was just a small part of owning a business. Michele Brueckner, daughter of BRB part owner, Wallace Brueckner, does some work on the books in order to keep things straight.

BRB

Magnavox — RCA — Zenith

117 E. Third **352-2421**

B&M TRACTOR PARTS



Parts for most makes and models.

101 Sloan **352-6400**



House fixtures . . . but they don't come with the house. Karen Harris and Joy Harris pose in front of a house their father helped build. HGH offers a wide variety of different styles such as old-fashioned.

HGH

More Taylor families now live in homes built by HGH than any other builder.

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"Gaslight," a melodramatic mystery was the group's first production. Michael Woods directed this drama and along with two students from Southwestern University chose the actors to fill the roles. The group used the high school auditorium for each performance. They met weekly and perfected their little problems to satisfaction.

Members of the Community Theatre consist of Taylorites interested in performing in front of audiences. This group of people met regularly and were called on frequently to put on skits, such as the ones performed during the T.I.F. days during the July fourth celebrations. Finally Taylor has been offered something new — SOMETHING DIFFERENT.

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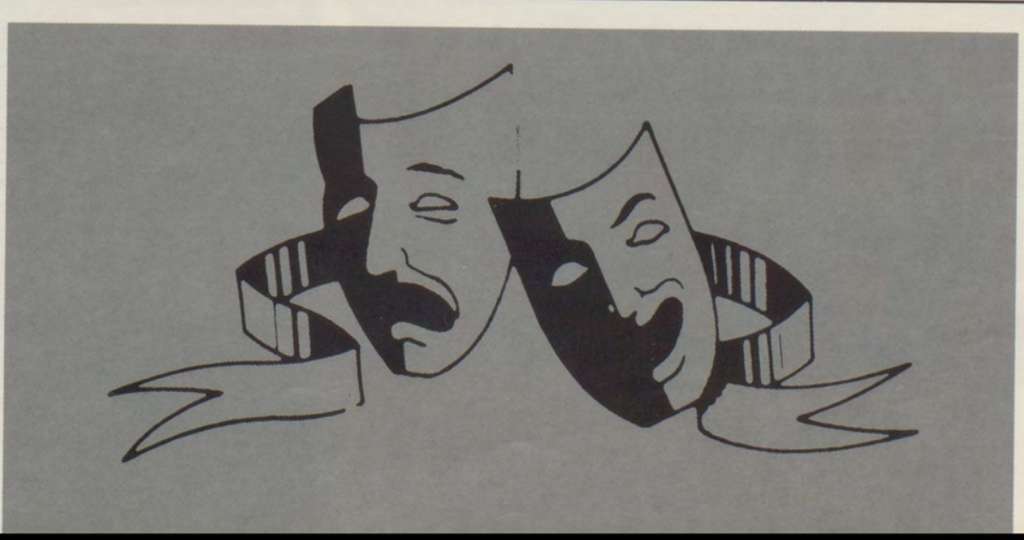

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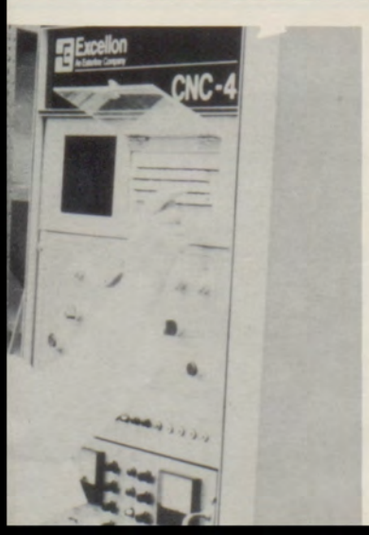



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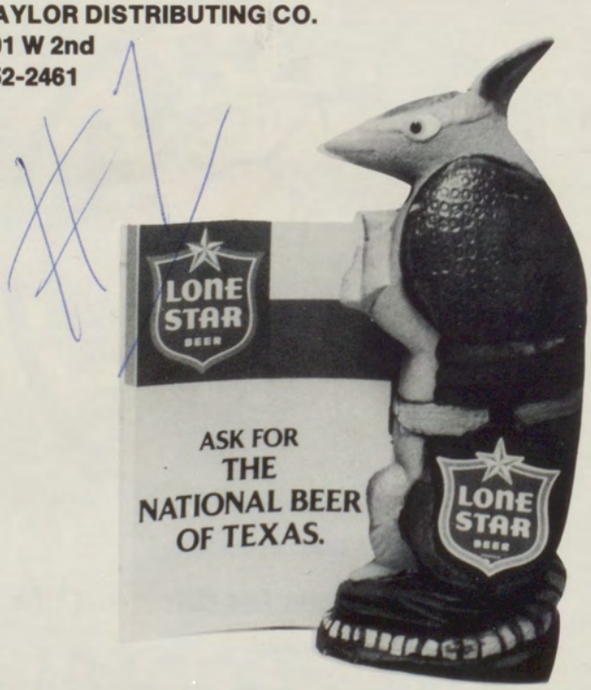

Jumping to the Beat

Jumping rope for the Heart Association were volunteers from the High school and other surrounding schools. They were rewarded with T-shirts for their participation in the event. Many people in the community generously pledged money for the volunteers' strenuous exercises.

The time and participation from the students was appreciated and impressed the public with their involvement in the jump-a-thon held at the Taylor High School gymnasium.



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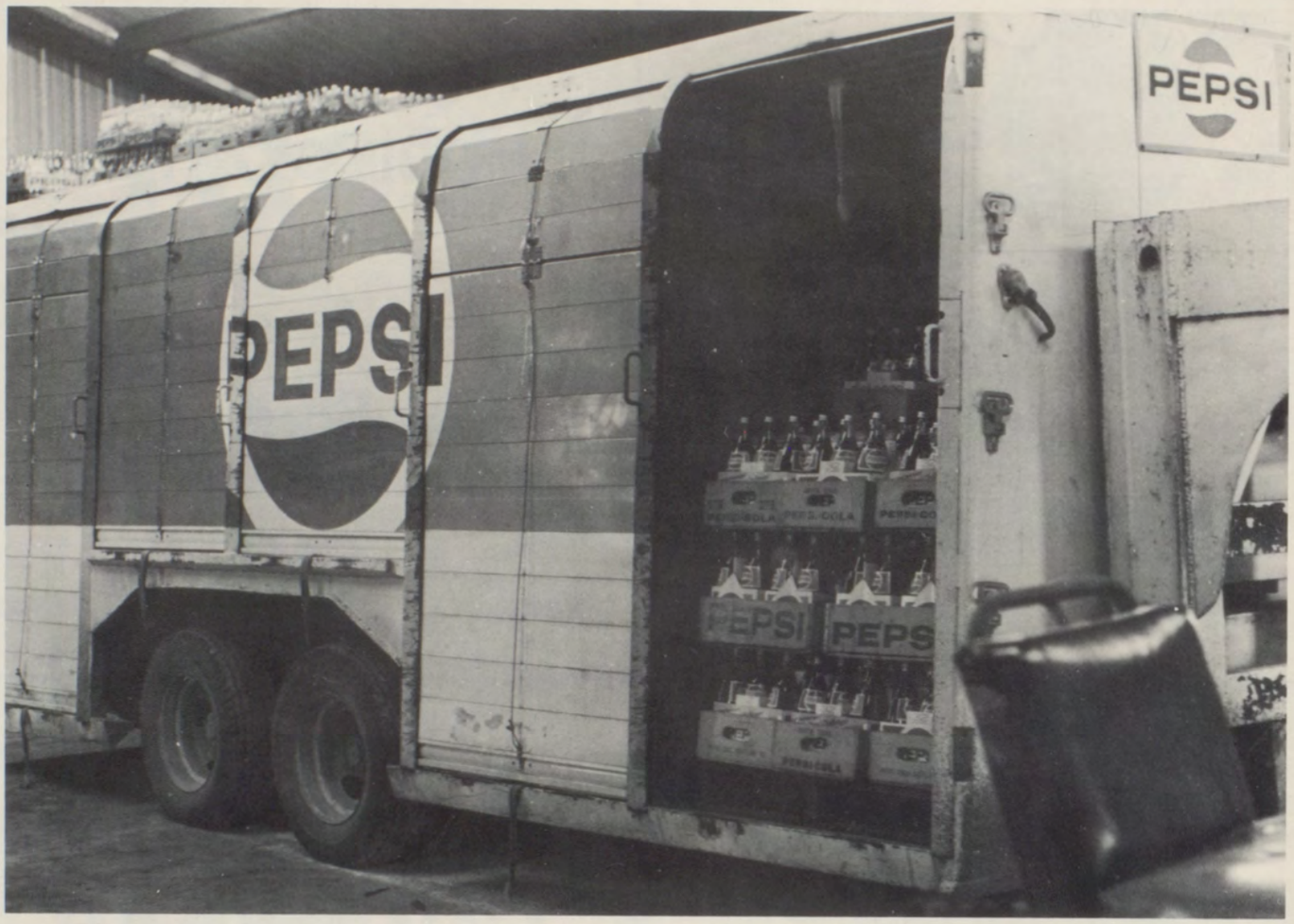



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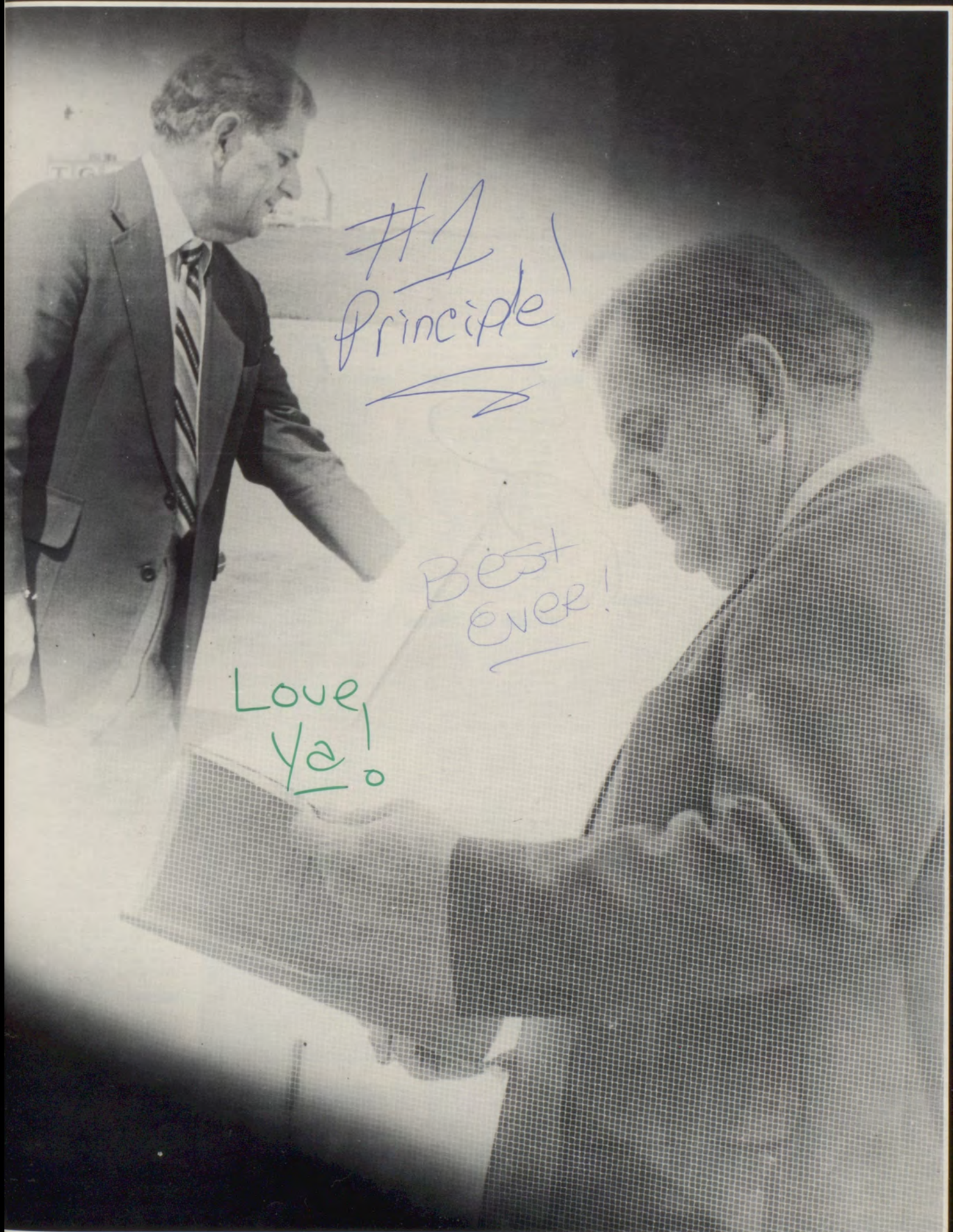
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All incompassing change is a difficult thing for anyone to adjust to. New teachers, new friends, and even new attitudes leave an incomprehensible effect on the people of Taylor High School. It seemed that we had barely gotten used to the new beginning when suddenly the year the year ccme to an end.

We had finally conquered most of our problems. We learned to like the new faces, to enjoy the excitement of fresh ideas and what we couldn't accept, we griped about for awhile then ignored it. Everyone had to find their own way of dealing with it.

Officers Elections and Banquets Signified the Year's End

Looking forward made change easier to accept. Making plans and hoping for the best. As the spring rolled around clubs began to plan for the next year. Hi-Steppers had their annual try-outs. The yearbook staff and NHS pin new members. Clubs planned fundraisers and projected the activities for the year to come. And officers were chosen to lead the new members at the new activities.



But before we could abandon 1981 with good conscience we had a few things to take care of. A new budget was planned with finances more in line with the inflation. More money went towards teachers' salaries although teachers were to receive only a small raise. And even in the face of adversity there was a need to recognize those who had performed outstandingly. The awards assembly served this purpose. Graduation gave recognition to the seniors who were perhaps the most disturbed by the new beginning. They had spent four years waiting for the special satisfaction leaving school. Yet there was little satisfaction in leaving a place that you don't belong to; where you're not needed.



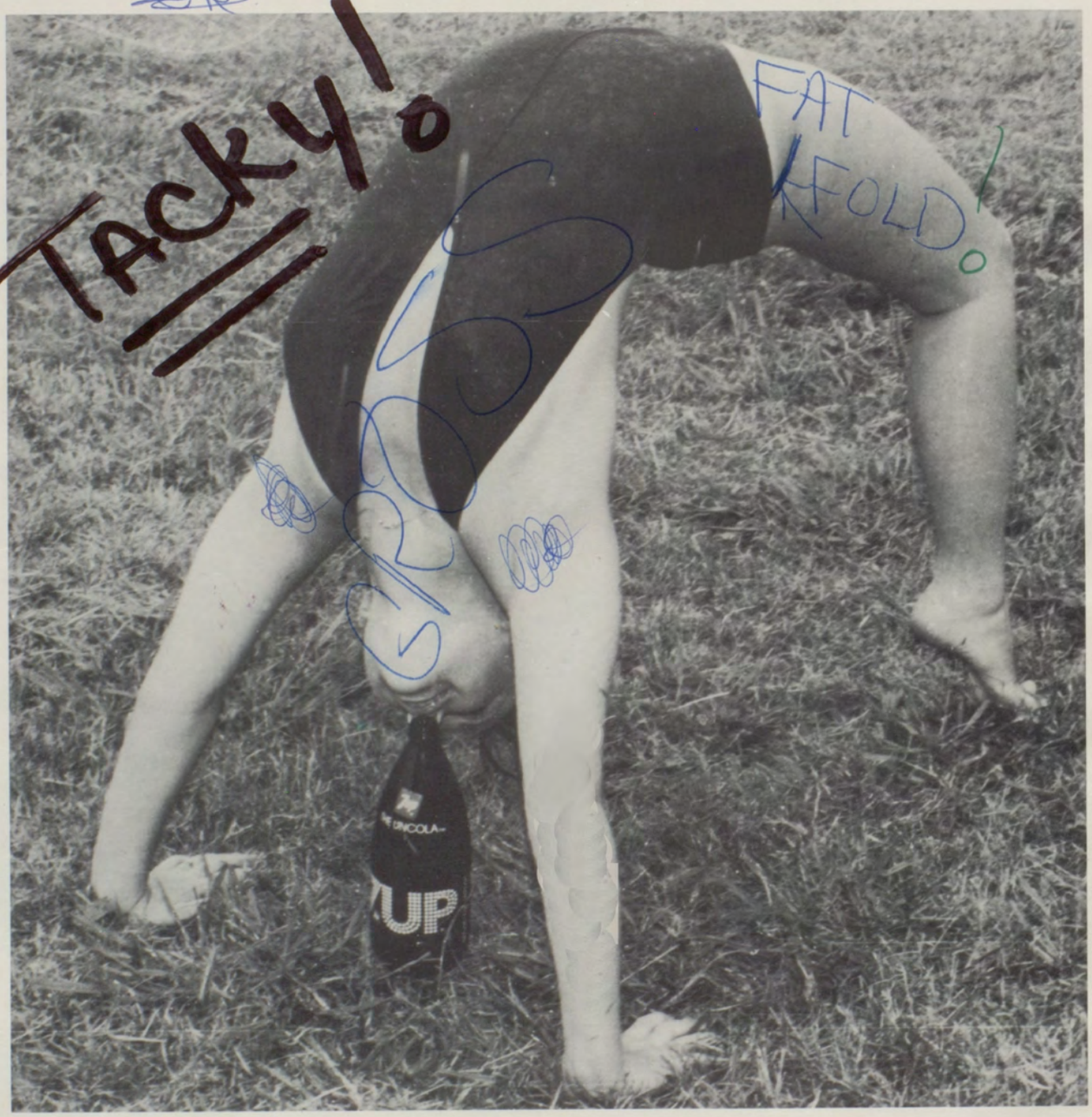
Backhanding the ball Kim Poldrack rushes the net. **Spring rains** kept the creeks flowing high. Austin received major flood damage. Here the creek rises well over Davis street.

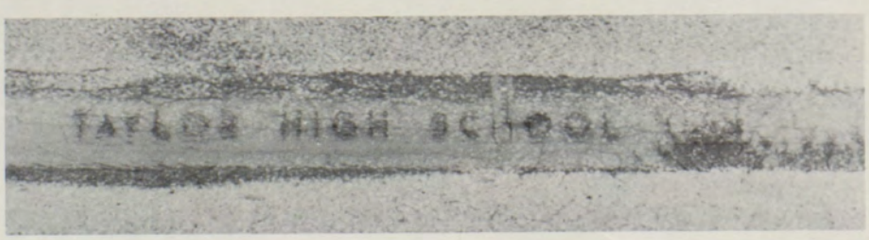
"Suddenly It Was the Beginning of the End"



Lifeguarding at the country club swimming pool Darrel Kaderka, relieved with the end of school, watches the swimmers. **Banquets** finished up the year. James Lantzsch, Betty Cravens, Cheryl McAlister, Carol Stuart and Heidi Polach have fun at the Mallard banquet.

"Get It Any Way You Can." She must!





Going for the bo attempts to drink from a 7-Up bottle by doing a backbend in her swimsuit. **Reflected in a pool** of water the words Taylor High School symbolize the special place our school has in the hearts of all of its students.

