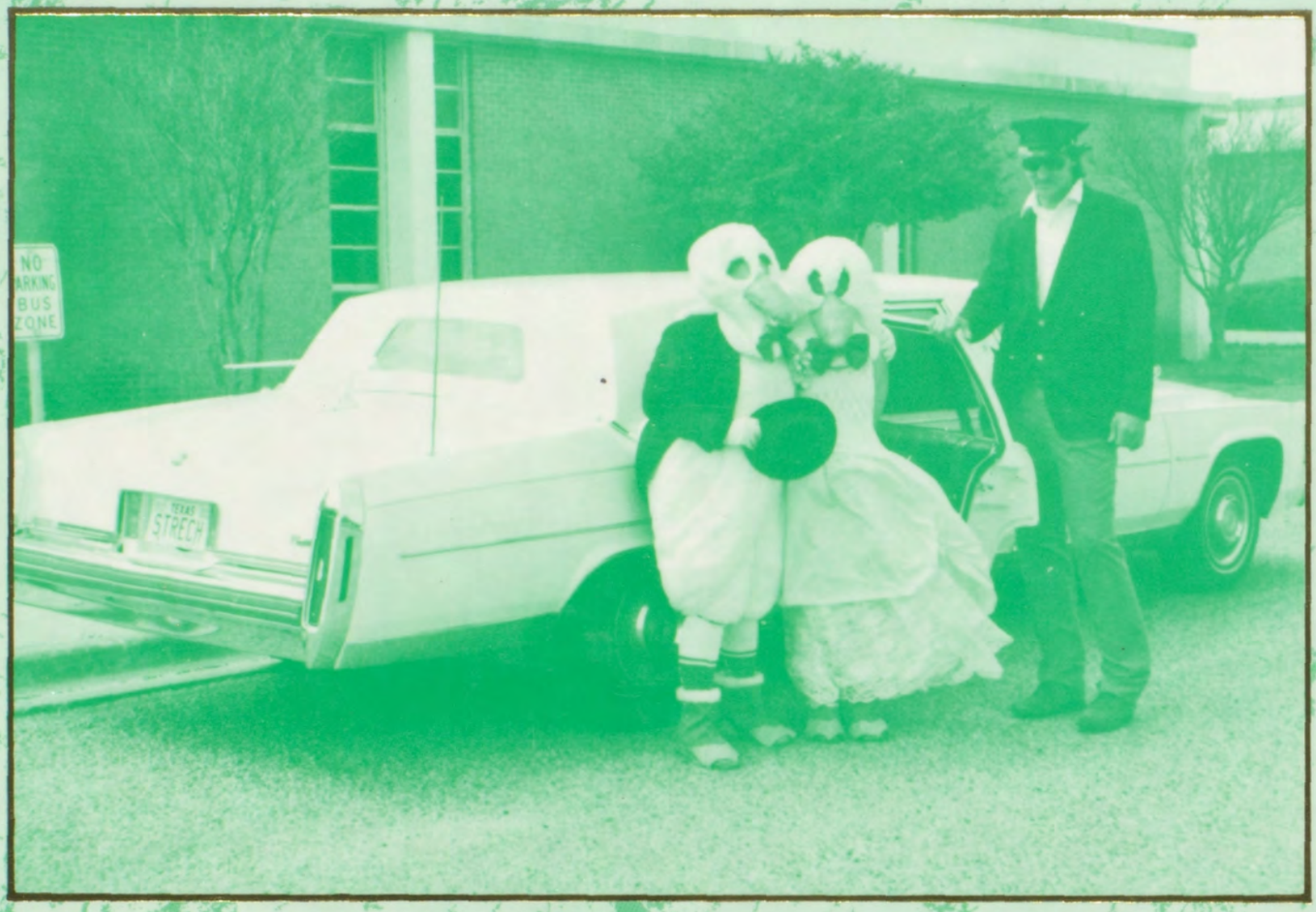


Anything But Ordinary

MALLARD 1988

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PEOPLE
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Anything . . .



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Take a look at us
We are Taylor High
Our Mascot is a duck
Soaring through the sky

Our students are exceptional
The teachers are the best
Come take a closer look
Because we're different
From the rest!!



Being chosen Team of the Week by Channel 7, Coach Schroeder accepts a trophy as the guys celebrate their achievements.







Making his debute, the new drug dog looks us over as we leave the gym after learning all about him.

Discussing the latest styles, Nikki Urbis and Toby Branson compliment each other's taste in fashion.

Supporting the "Tie up the Tigers" theme, Penny Artieschofsky, Mark Kokes, Christi Hall, Laura Wagner, Michelle Wilson, Anne McConchie, Charlotte Zett, Christi Hamann.



Posing for a picture after a night time pep-rally are members of the "BAD" varsity football team.



Blocking their opponents during a game of Powder-Puff football, the senior girls take on the juniors.

Ordinary (ord'n-er'e)adj. — commonly encountered; usual; average in rank or merit; commonplace.

Although Taylor High may appear ordinary on the surface, underneath it is anything but.

A special feeling of unity had developed among Taylor High students and

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AT TAYLOR HIGH



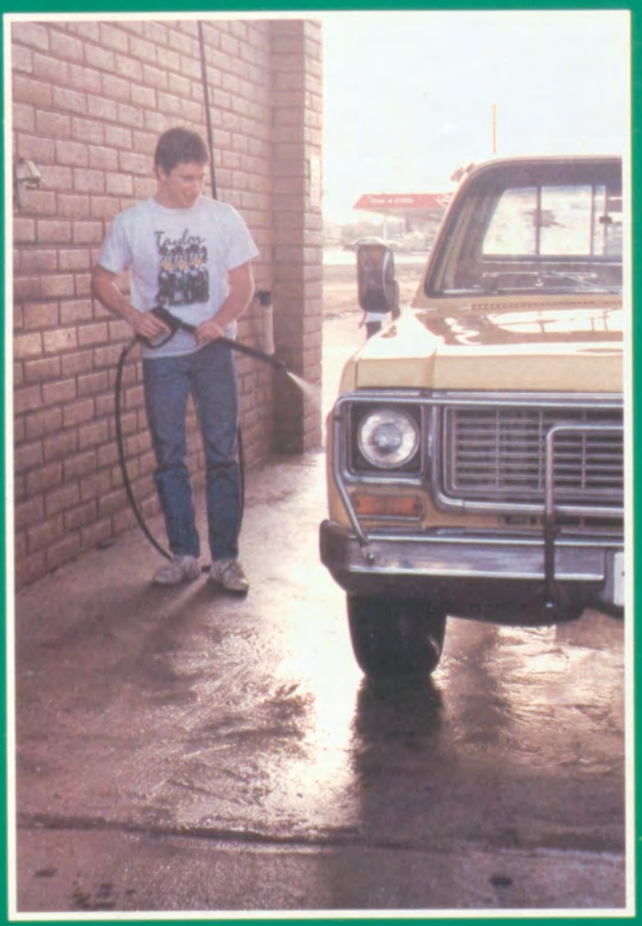


Forming a "T", the "out of the ordinary" 12th MAN consist of, Chris Schultz, Adam Mehevec, Jeff Krueger, Stephen Vorwerk, Mark Tolbert, Todd Sladek and Richard Gonzales.



faculty. Duck families were started to help school spirit. The atmosphere inside the heart of Taylor High School was lighthearted, but warm and caring. We took pride in all our members, and we felt our school stood a cut above the rest. We knew we had something special here. We knew we were extraordinary!

Washing his truck, Randall Fischer finds time for those odd jobs on the weekend.





As I slowly watched the hands of my watch move from 3:23 to 3:24, I breathed a sigh of relief. One more week was just about over, and this week had been one of those that seemed endless! The anticipation of the week-end could be felt over the entire school. Listening quietly, I heard talk of dances, work, movies, taking drags, and getting tans. Mainly, everyone's objective was to forget about the pressures of school for a couple of days and just take it easy. After all, we knew what was in store for us when we returned on Monday morning. There would be tests, reports, research papers, quizzes, and lots of notes to take. The idea that these were the best, most carefree days of our lives was often questionable during those long, "Calgon" days when every teacher decided to buckle down on the homework and doubled the material to be learned because they, too, felt pressured to try to fit all of those 99/100 Essential Elements into an often too short time period. But for now, the idea of two days of relaxation brought relief. Finally, the hands moved to 3:25 and the bell rang. As the students rushed out the door, it seemed to them that they heard their words of "Thank God; it's Friday" echo. Could it be that the teachers felt the same way?



Getting ready for the weekend, Jerry Bennett fills up his car with gas.

T.G.I.F



Buying tickets for the movies, Jessica Ortiz and Michael Buchanan plan to see "Three Men and a Baby."

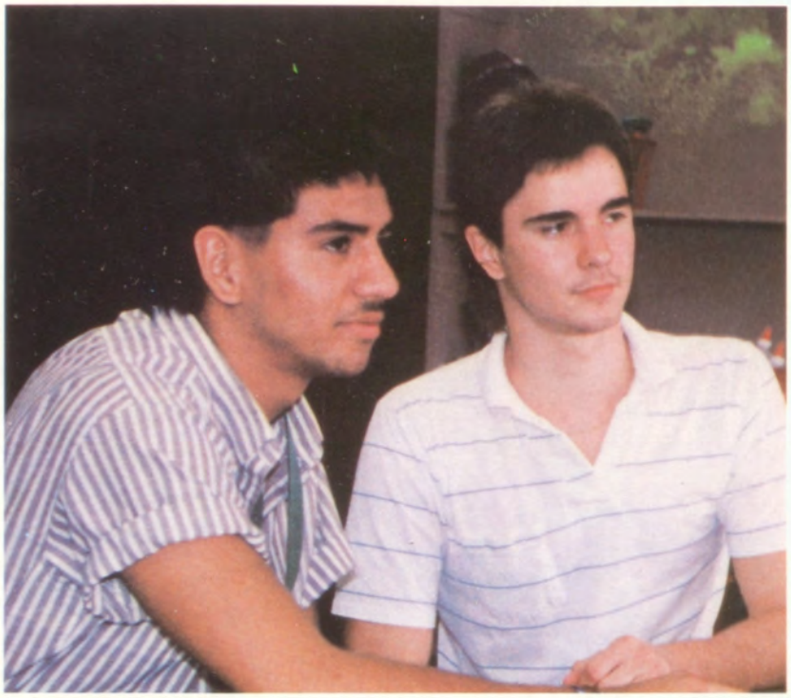
Sitting in Super "S" parking lot , Jeff Krueger, Stephen Vorwerk, Randy Michna, John Gipson, and Randall Fischer enjoy their Sunday afternoon.

Doing their best to serve the customers , Pam Fischer and Martin McShea work diligently to earn money.





TGIF





Sitting patiently, Chris Schultz and Sebe Salazar listen as art teacher, Perry Kuebel explains the very creative assignment.

Waiting for the bell to ring, Rachel Paulsen, Michelle Wilson, Penny Artieschoufsky, Donna Magana, and Shawn Lynch make plans for the weekend.

Helping out a friend, Laura Wagner lends John Gipson a piece of paper so he won't have to walk to his own locker and perhaps be late to his next class.





During a party dinner, Jason Ball, Ron Randig, Carrie Schmidt, Nikki Cochran, and Stacy Caplinger discuss holidays plans.

Friends Forever



Photo by Sandra Mikulencak

Running out of class, I could not wait to tell my friends the latest gossip. We gathered around our lockers to share stories we had learned in the previous classes; at lunch we piled into our cars eager to discuss week-end plans.

These were some of the many moments shared by friends. Why are friends necessary? With friends there was always someone there to talk to about our problems, to cry out to, to tell our deepest secrets to, or just to have fun with.

Having friends got us through many trying days. It gave us something to look forward to as we went to school each day. Although we knew a day would come when we would go our separate ways, we knew that our friendships would last forever. Without friends I'm sure that we could not have made it through this much of our school career.

"To me a friend is someone you can trust and depend on; they're always there to help you . Being a freshman was like starting from scratch; I had to choose who I could trust all over again," said freshman, Nicole David.





Sharing some secrets, Shontel Smith, La Tonya Ephriam, and Misty Perry enjoy the early morning catch-up as they wait for the bell to ring.

Talking in the parking lot, Stephanie Mercado and Lee Perez discuss plans for after the game.

Ducks and Rain,

Imagine cold, rainy weather. This is what it was like all of Homecoming week. Although it was gloomy weather, we didn't let it get us down or stop us from any of the activities which we had planned for so long. We had another banner contest which all the organizations participated in. The newly formed Duck Families also had a poster contest, and all the posters were hung on the walls of the office hallway. The decorated halls and Student Center gave all of us a lot of spirit. On Homecoming afternoon, we had planned a pep rally at the football field, but because of the awful weather we had to settle for the park pavillion. The cheerleaders, Silks, and band members successfully enthused the student body, the faculty, and most of all, the football players.

Homecoming night began with the announcement of the Homecoming Queen and the princesses. The 1987 Homecoming Queen was Sandra Mikulencak. She was escorted by Jeff Krueger. The princesses were Roseann Matysek, escorted by Pat Rosipal, and Stephanie Wright, escorted by Robert Frederick.

At 7:30 the game against Bastrop began. We started out good and ended even better. The final score was 13-0 to give us a Homecoming victory.

Even though the weather wasn't too pleasing, the outcome of the game and the week's successful activities were. We had made this Homecoming another one we would always remember.

Running through the sign, the football players are very anxious to start the game.





Taking a quick breather, Ron Fontenot rests before going back into the game.



Braving the field, Roseann Matysek, Rebecca Ackerman, Tina Bieless, Tami Wilkins, Crystal Marx and Christy Caldwell hold their positions.

Hand in Hand

Smiling proudly, Homecoming Queen,Sandra Mikulencak and Princesses Stephanie Wright and Roseann Matysek show how happy they are to have been chosen.



Entertaining the crowd, Kim Winkler, Nikki Urbis, Valori Morales and Kristi Johnson raise spirit for the game.







Posing for a picture, Nikki Urbis, Valori Morales and Lisa Lener show off the mums that they received from special friends and family at Taylor's victorious homecoming game.

SIGNS OF

Movies
Three Men and a Baby
Who's That Girl
Stake Out
The Lost Boys
Summer School

T.V. SHOWS
"Who's the Boss"
"Full House"
"Alf"
"Family Ties"
"The Cosby Show"

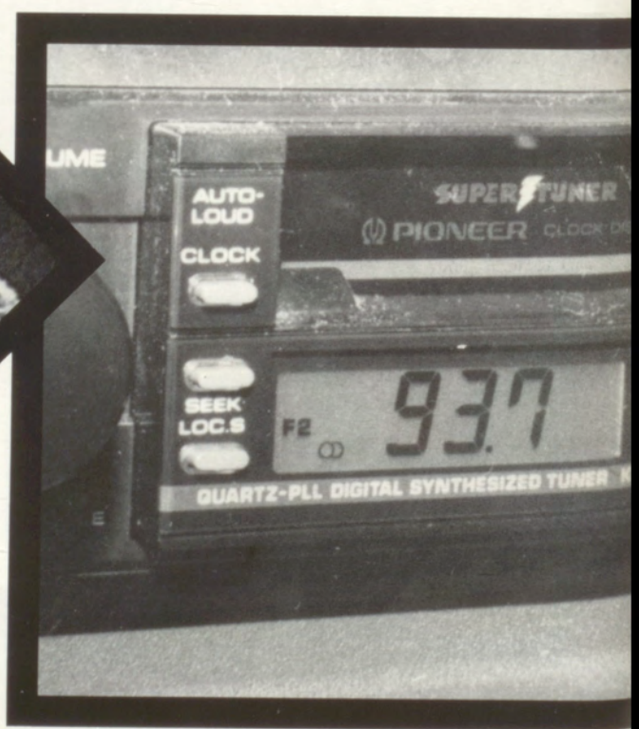
Videos
Peace Sells
Tell Me Lies
Wild Side
I'm Bad
Silent Running

Radio Station
KLBJ-FM
B-93
94.7
KASE 101
K-98

Concerts
Motley Crue
George Strait
Cult
Def Lepard
Iron Maiden

Albums
Ice T-Rhyme Pays
Motley Crue-Girls, Girls, Girls
The Hooters-One Way Home
The Outfield-BANGIN'
Steve Warner-The Weekend





TIME

Comedians
Eddie Murphy
Bill Cosby
Bob Golsworth
Howy Mandel

Male Singers
Steve Warner
L.L. Cool J.
Prince
Randy Travis
Jon Bon Jovi

Songs
"Tell Me Lies"
"Carrie"
"I Wanna Be Your Man"
"I Need Love"
"Tell It To My Heart"

Female Singers
Madonna
Debbie Gibson
Janet Jackson
Tiffany
Whitney Houston

Expressions
"What Up?"
"Is That Right?"
"Hey Cat!"
"That's Tired!"
"Oh My Goyt!"

Musical Groups
Heart
Whitesnake
Restless Heart
Def Lepard
Foreigner







Dancing at a Halloween pep rally, the Hi-Steppers perform a routine to "The Monster Mash."



Photo by Sandra Mikulencak

Enjoying themselves, Brian Winkler, Trey Bachmayer and Chris Cook have a little chat at a progressive dinner .

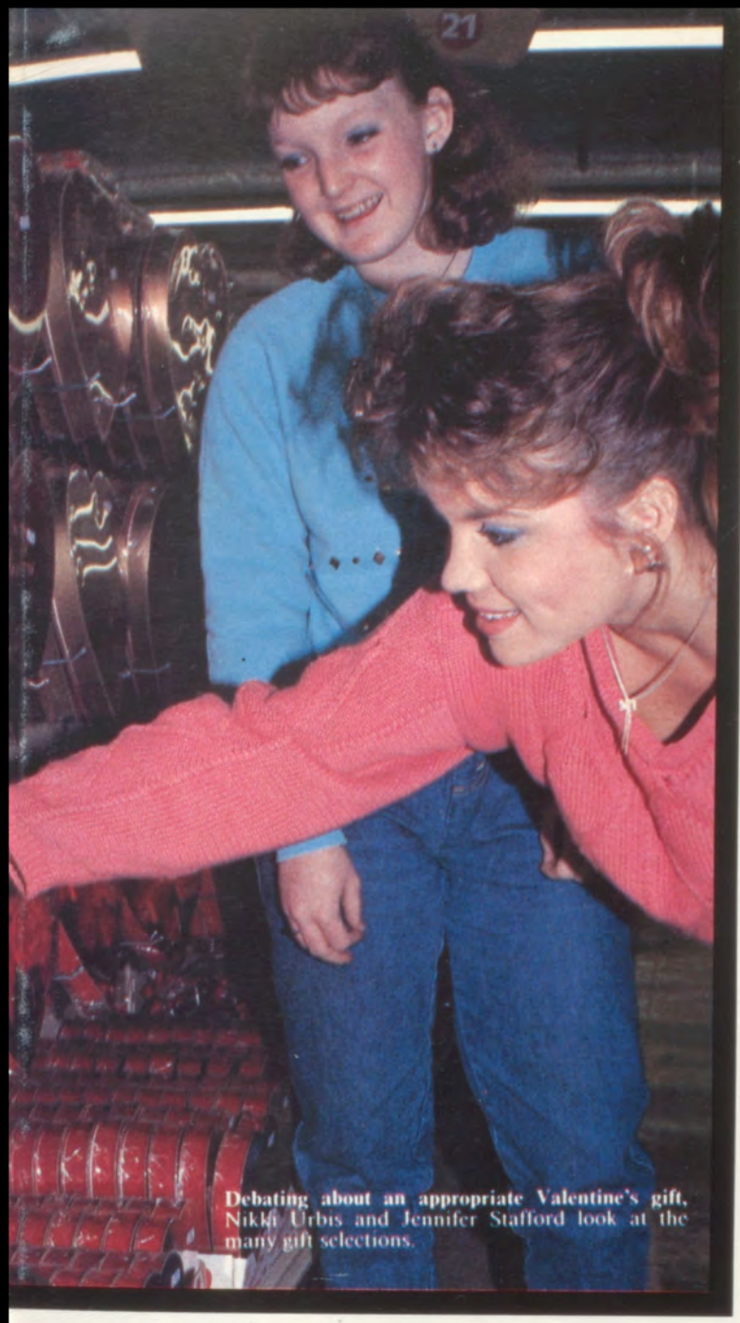




Sharing and Caring

As the holidays rolled around, we all seemed to get a bit anxious, but at the same time, we realized that everyone would not be as fortunate as most of us. The idea of being able to help with Red Santa sounded great, so our Duck families began collecting food, clothes and toys to help brighten Christmas for others. Likewise, some of the organizations, such as NHS, adopted local resthome residents to go see and remember with small gifts. Needy families were also remembered as some of the organizations adopted whole families to help. The true spirit of Christmas was ever present as we worked like Santa's little elves.

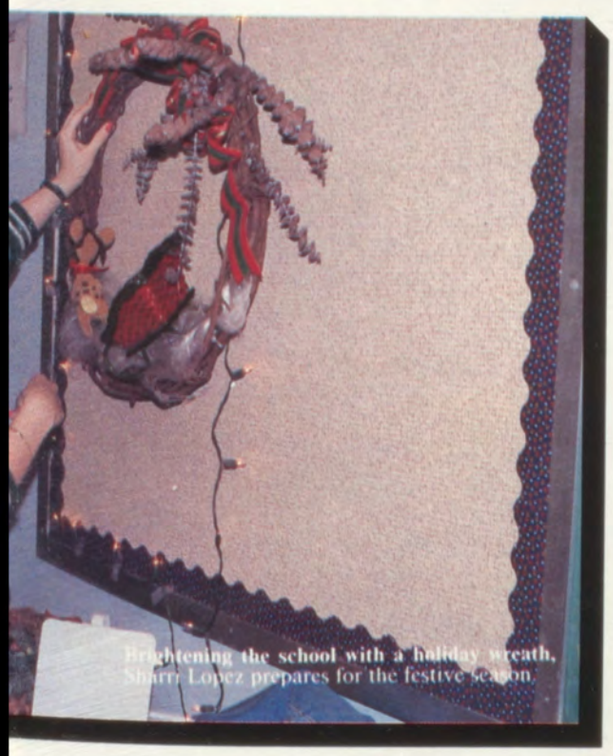
Of course, we remembered our own friends with special gifts, and many of us, including faculty members particapted in playing "secret angels." We wanted this Christmas to be special for everyone.



Debating about an appropriate Valentine's gift, Nikki Urbis and Jennifer Stafford look at the many gift selections.



Taking a break from skiing, some of the seniors take a few minutes to pose for a holiday picture. The Younglife Ski trip is always a favorite Christmas treat.



Brightening the school with a holiday wreath, Sharri Lopez prepares for the festive season.



Handing out candy at the Spooktacular, Gracy Gonzales puts a smile on a little girl's face.

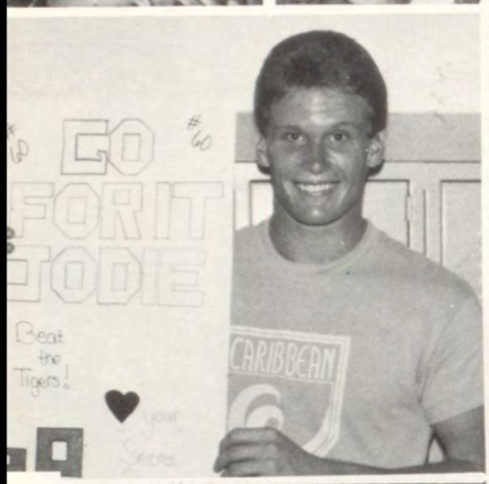
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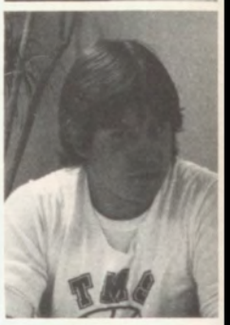




















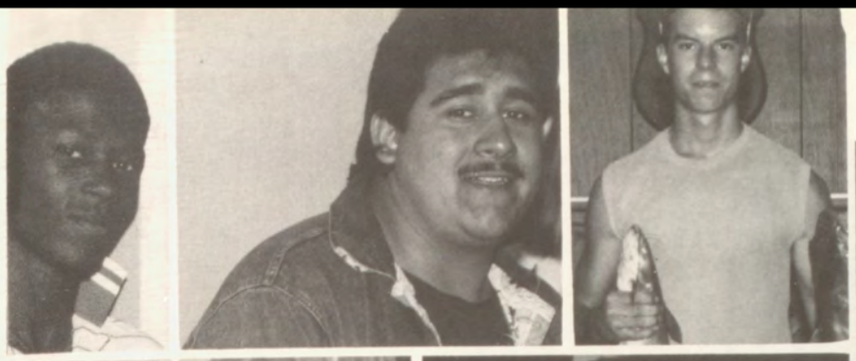








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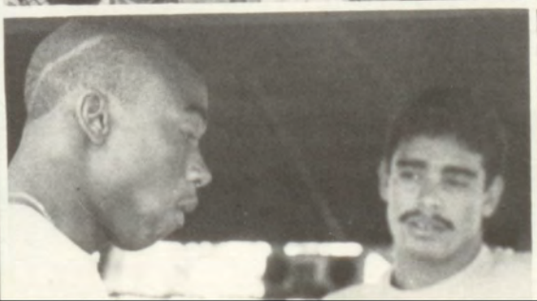




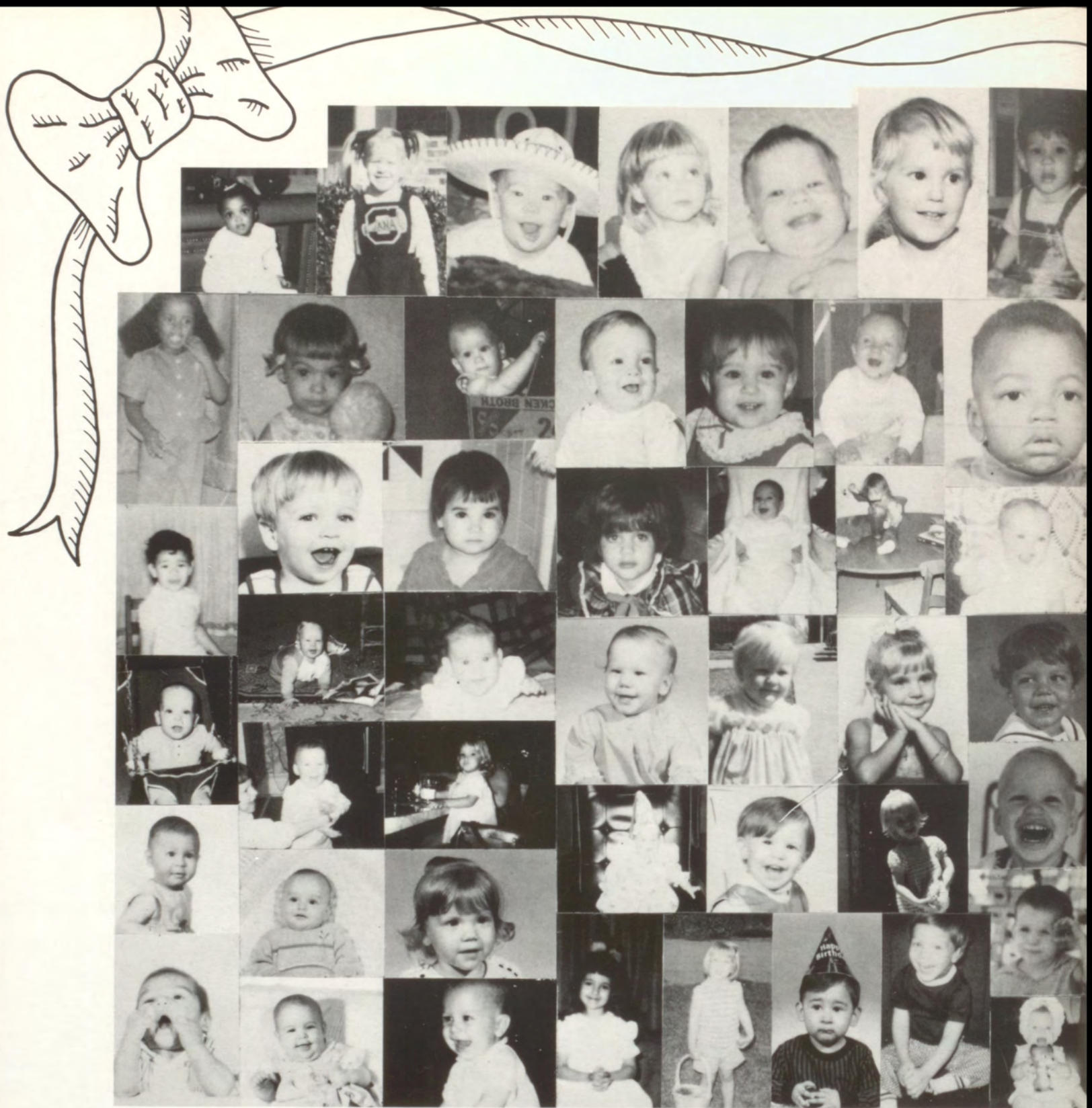












1.Dominique Griffin
2.Jana Cervenka
3.Chad Holmstrom
4.Zane Scruggs
5.Randy Hyzak
6.Kari Kovar
7.Brian Winkler
8.Triva Riggins
9.Sandra Mikulencak
10.Jodie Vanecek
11.Martin McShea
12.Dana Daniel
13.Lisa Crim
14.Matthew Pearson
15.Augie Lopez
16.Jeff Krueger
17.Kristi Johnson
18.Cherry Fugate
19.Melissa Limmer
20.Michelle Wilson
21.Lisa Lener
22.Robert Kollman
23.Thomas Jensen
24.Tami Campbell
25.Kim Felfe
26.Katrina Petrus
27.Lisa Krieg
28.Adam Mehevec
29.Stephen Vorwerk
30.Pam Fischer
31.Wendy Ivicic
32.Anne McConchie
33.John Grieger
34.Charlotte Zett
35.Jeff Frankeny
36.Sebe Salazar
37.Richard Gonzales
38.Roseann Matysek
39.Nicole Tone
40.Kelly Kovar
41.Cindy Raesz
42.Christie Janke
43.Lee Perez
44.Kelly Koonce
45.John Wuensche
46.Nikki Cochran

Babies . . . Us???



1.Raquel Cuellar
2.Janice Flory
3.Debbie Sanchez
4.Stephanie Wright
5.Kristy Kitchens
6.Lynn Parker
7.Hazil Miller
8.Christi Hall
9.Tina Savedra
10.Jennie Brasfield
11.Dean Faught
12.Cristi Hamann
13.Patrick Pille
14.Renee Morris
15.Jessica Herrera
16.Tracy Fleming
17.Klifton Kruger
18.Thomas Washington
19.Pat Rosipal
20.Shelly Alewine
21.Jerry Bennett
22.Mark Tolbert
23.Shaun Lynch
24.Stephanie Blanchard
25.Jason Teeple
26.Cynthia Gamez
27.Eddie Dlugos
28.Patrick Mekolik
29.Tami Wilkins
30.Rachel Paulsen
31.Laura Wagner
32.Connie Wooldridge
33.Jeanette Rodriguez
34.Sheila Dloughy
35.James Luna
36.Rose Torres
37.Patrick Carter
38.Peggy Alderete
39.Kim Gonzales
40.Aaron Reithmayer
41.Penny Artieschoufsky
42.Debbie Canales
43.Paul O'Connell
44.Reggie Ethridge
45.Raychelle Tealer
46.Janet Robinson
47.Leslie Gray

Not Any More!!!

A MYSTIC NIGHT

For weeks everyone sat around discussing what they were going to wear and how they were going to get to the prom. It seemed that someome came up with something new for the affair every year. This year there had even been talk of going to San Antonio to the Tower to eat. After reality set in, of course, this idea had been abandoned. For months, parents and concerned citizens had planned a chemical free after prom party. Many long hours and much financial support later, this, too, had become reality.

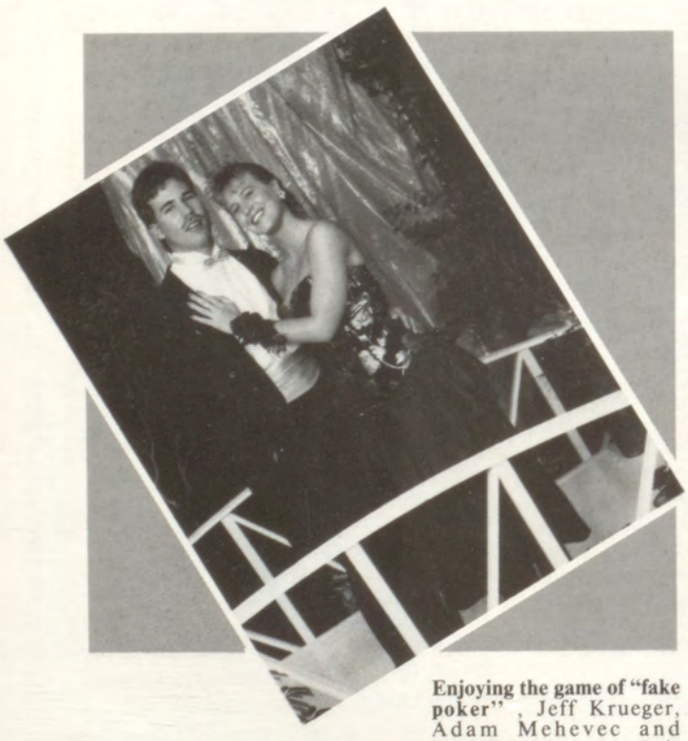
For most of us the prom night began in the afternoon. Of course, Mom and Dad wanted pictures and then we were off to some expensive place to eat. We all wanted this night to be a night to remember, a night out of the ordinary.

The juniors and their sponsors and parents had done a fantastic job of decorating, and as we walked in, we were amazed that we no longer had a Student Center, but had been transported to a mystical land in China. Mr. and Mrs. Weldon House had done wonderful job on the scenery.



But, after the prom, the night was far from over. Most of us went to Casino Night, and many of us won some really great prizes. We found you really could have fun at a chemical free after prom party, and we were thankful for those who had made it possible. Finally, it was time to go home. It had been a full week for many of us, and we needed some rest.





Enjoying the game of "fake poker" , Jeff Krueger, Adam Mehevec and Randy Michna try their luck during the After Prom activites.



Posing for a prom picture , Chad Holmstrom and Jana Cervenka were chosen prom king and queen.

Getting ready to take a Senior Prom picture , Senior Class President Richard Gonzales. tries to quiet the large crowd of anxious seniors.

Stapling cardboard together , Toby Branson helps out with the prom scenery.

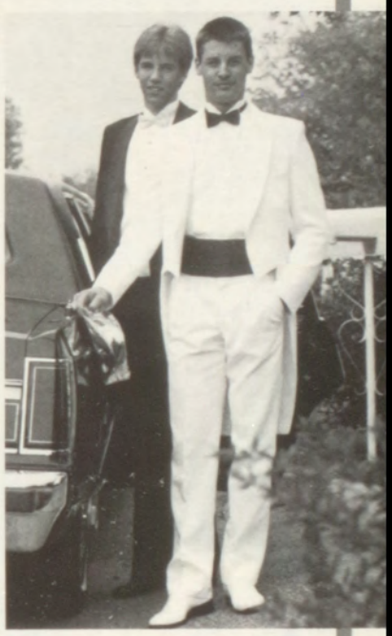
Hanging streamers , Shannon Rowley offers his services in preparation for the prom.



Walking through the decorative hallway , Gerald Anderson and date, Triva Riggins, attend the prom in stlye.



Standing beside their black stretch limo , Brandt Rydell and Pat Rosipal wait for their dates.







Relishing the moment ,Raquel Gutierrez and her date listen to the soft music being played.

Dancing to the music , Kim Winkler, Randy Stiba and Shannon Morales have fun at the prom.

Mr. & Miss THS

Dana Daniel
Jeff Krueger



Most Friendly

John Gipson
Roseann Matysek



Best Dressed

Robert Kollman
Cherry Fugate





Most Beautiful
Sandra Mikulencak

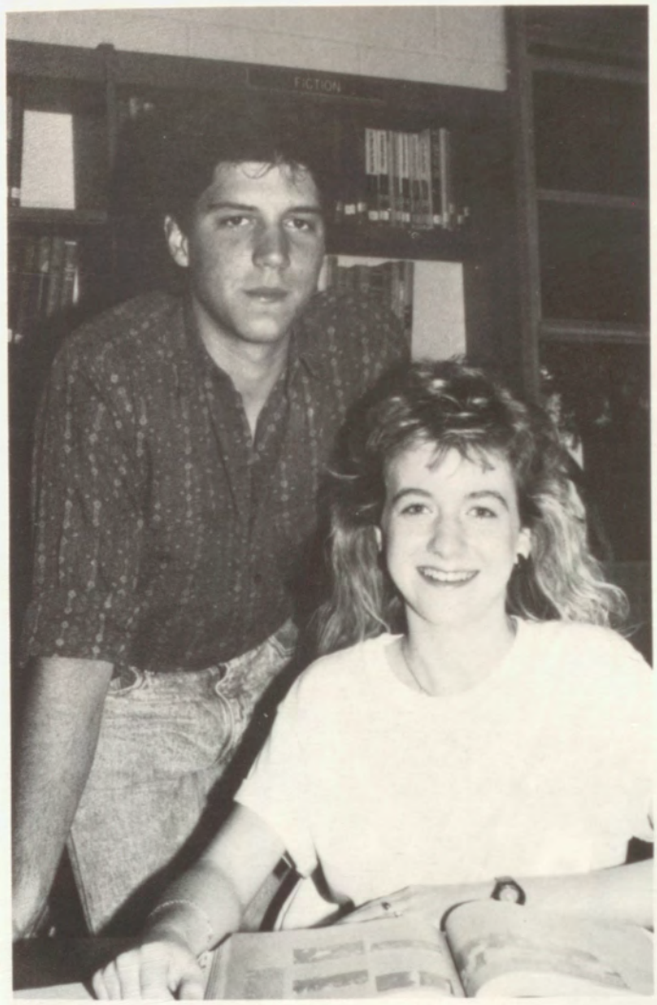
Most Handsome
Chad Holmstrom

Most Likely To Succeed

Class Favorites

Adam Mehevec

Nikki Cochran





Stephanie Wright

Roosevelt Williams

Most Athletic



Jeff Frankeny

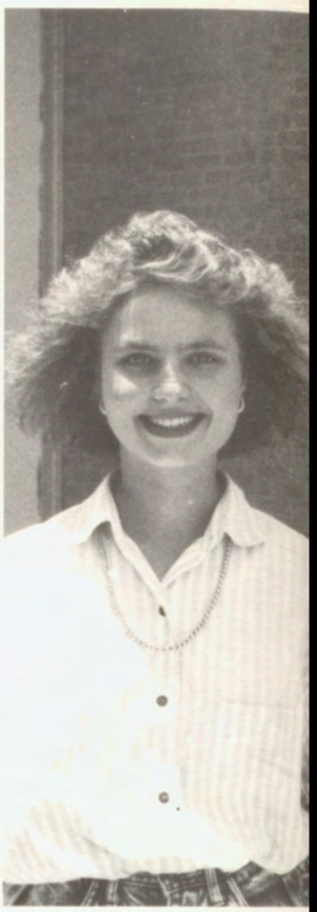
Mina Patel

Most Intelligent

Class

Junior Favorites
Trey Bachmayer
Kim Winkler









Junior Favorites
Carl Larson
Nikki Urbis

Favorites



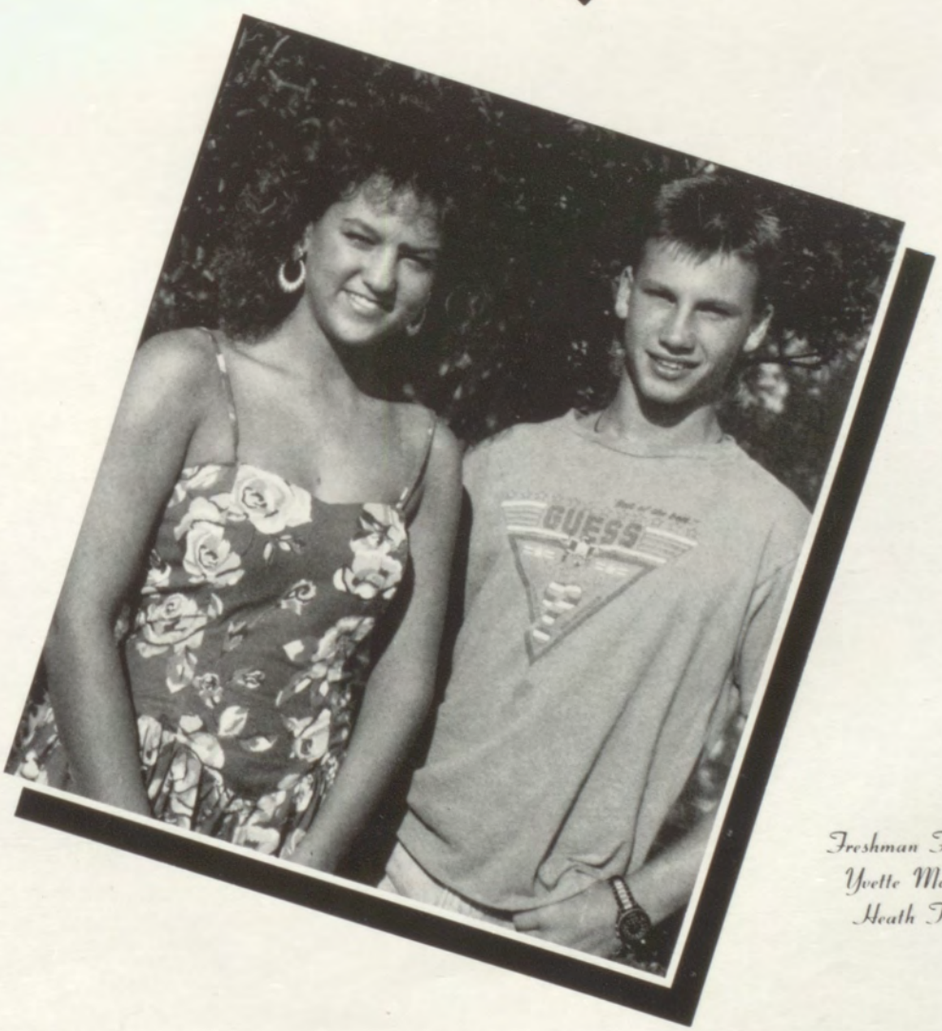
Sophomore Favorites
Clayton Rhoades
Ellen Hejl

Sophomore Favorites
Will Manning
Wendy Vrana





Freshman Favorites
Shawn Rowley
Lisa Jefferson



Freshman Favorites
Yvette Maruska
Heath Talley

Tami Campbell: Gay Lynn Brinkmeyer Memorial Scholarship
Jana Cervenka: ATM Mother's Club Scholarship, Hugg Scholarship, Gernert Scholarship
Jason Cmerek: Melasky Scholarship
Nikki Cochran: Taylor Conservative and Heritage Society

Dana Daniel: FTA Scholarship
Sheila Deary: Artis Caldwell Memorial Scholarship
Eddie Dlugos: Ranken Memorial Scholarship
Pam Fischer: TSTA Scholarship

Jeff Frankeny: Hugg Scholarship, Mu Alpha Theta Scholarship
Cherry Fugate: Melasky Fugate
John Gipson: Optimist Texan Scholarship
Richard Gonzales: Hammack Scholarship

Dominique Griffin: Artis Caldwell Memorial Scholarship
Cristi Hamann: Taylor Noon Lion's Club Scholarship, Academic Scholarship
Randy Hyzak: Vocational Scholarship, Melasky Scholarship
Kristi Johnson: Regina Reichenbach Memorial Scholarship

Robert Kollman: Latin Club, FTA, Free Enterprise Scholarship
Kari Kovar: National Honor Society, Gernart Scholarship
Lisa Krieg: Vocational Scholarship
Jeff Krueger: Melasky Scholarship

Klifton Kruger: ATM Mother's Club Scholarship
Shaun Lynch: Hugg Scholarship
Roseann Matysek: Hugg Scholarship
Adam Mehevec: Hugg Scholarship, Gernart Scholarship

Patrick Mekolik: Melasky Scholarship
Sandra Mikulencak: Hugg, FTA, Melasky Scholarships
Clifton Naivar: Wednesday's Music Club, Hugg, Gernart Scholarships
Paul O'Connell: ATPE Scholarship



HEIRS OF ACHIEVEMENT



Mina Patel: Kiwanis Valedictorian Scholarship, Hugg, Faye T. Barnes, Mu Alpha Theta Scholarships
Rachel Paulsen: Hugg Scholarship, Melasky Scholar
Janet Robinson: Joe Down's Memorial Scholarship, Wednesday's Music Club Scholarship

Pat Rosipal: Melasky Scholarship
Cindy Safarik: Hugg Scholarship, Melasky Scholarship
Sebastian Salazar: TSTA Scholarship

Zane Scruggs: Taylor Area Business Women's, Optimist Club Texanne Scholarships
Mark Stoll: Counselor's Choice, Melasky Scholarships
Nicole Tone: Bobby Wilk's Memorial Scholarship

Robert Vanecek: ATM Mother's Club, Hugg, Melasky Scholarships
Stephen Vorwerk: Sobotik Memorial Scholarship
Brian Winkler: ATM Mother's Club, Chamber of Commerce Ag, Hugg, Sidney Cinnamon Scholarships
Charlotte Zett: Wade-Hobbs-Brinkmeyer Memorial Scholarship

ORDINARY?

VALEDICTORIAN



MINA PATEL

SALUTATORIAN



JEFF FRANKENY



1988 HONOR GRADS



Receiving his scholarship, Stephen Vorwerk smiles joyfully.

Shaking school board president, Mr. McMakin's hand is Jana Cervenka.

Showing his pride, Randy Hyzak receives his diploma.

Waiting for the other honor graduates to be announced are Sheila Deary, Dana Daniel, and Mr. Lankford.







As the end of our senior year quickly approached, we hoped that the four long years of struggling late at night to finish homework would finally pay off. Many students were anxious to hear the announcement of who made honor grads. Many times, it seemed that we were not given much recognition for our many hours of studying, but as honor graduates were finally announced, we felt it was worth it. As a total of 44 names were called out, we not only had pride in ourselves, but we were proud of our class. The Class of '88 had more honor graduates than ever before. This honor meant a lot to us. Wearing the gold chords meant more than just standing out from the rest of the seniors. To us, it represented the accomplishment of a goal we set for ourselves. A goal which had been aimed for throughout high school had finally been reached. For us, being an honor graduate was being the best we could be.

NO — WAY!!



Checking a customer out at Walmart is senior Triva Riggins.

Drawing a three section picture, freshman Deanna Sandoval enjoys her art class.



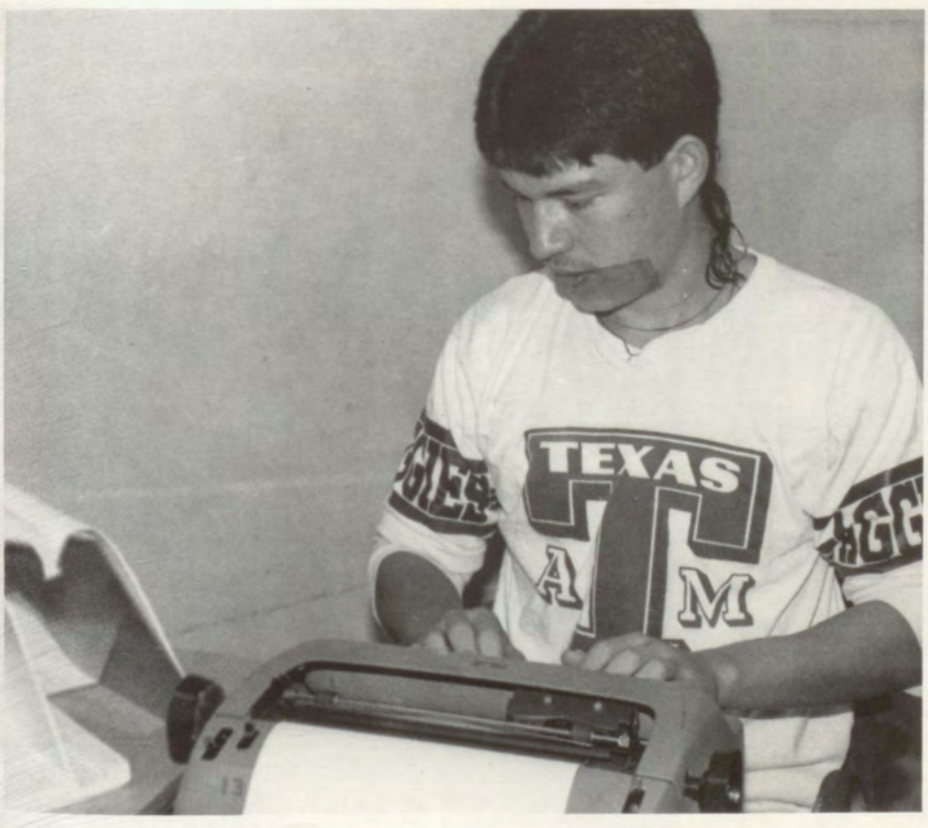
Your Best Bet

When we were younger, we often dreamed and played games about what life would hold for us when we grew up. Without realizing the seriousness of the questions, we often asked our playmates, "If you could be anything you wanted for a day, what would it be? A doctor, a lawyer, or maybe a D. J.? And where would you choose to spend several years of your life for an education? Illinois, California, or Taylor?" As we reached maturity, these choices were faced in reality by all seniors as they realized high school was just about over. What would we do ? Had we prepared ourselves for this moment in life? Had we made the right decisions and chosen the right courses? Did we really know what we wanted out of life, and what was expected from us?

Throughout high school we had been given the opportunities of working half a day at various job opportunities if we chose, taking advanced courses, and learning about college and career choices. We had all known it was important for us to realize how these things could affect our decisions about the future, but had we really taken it seriously enough?

Senior Wendy Ivicic explained, "Working half a day has made me realize that going to college and getting into a career I will enjoy is really important to me."

Taking advantage of what was offered had helped us learn and gain experience for our futures. We had known waiting until the day high school was over for good was too late. We had gotten involved early, and we had stayed involved all through those fast-paced four years. Now most of us knew for sure where we were going and what we wanted to accomplish. We knew we still had a lot to look forward to, and we were determined to make the most of it. We were prepared for the best in life.



Finding that typing isn't as easy as it looks, Nathan Lopez concentrates on the book instead of his fingers.



Clearing their instruments after completing a chemistry lab are Travis Volek and Clayton Rhoades.

REACHING FOR TOMORROW
PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

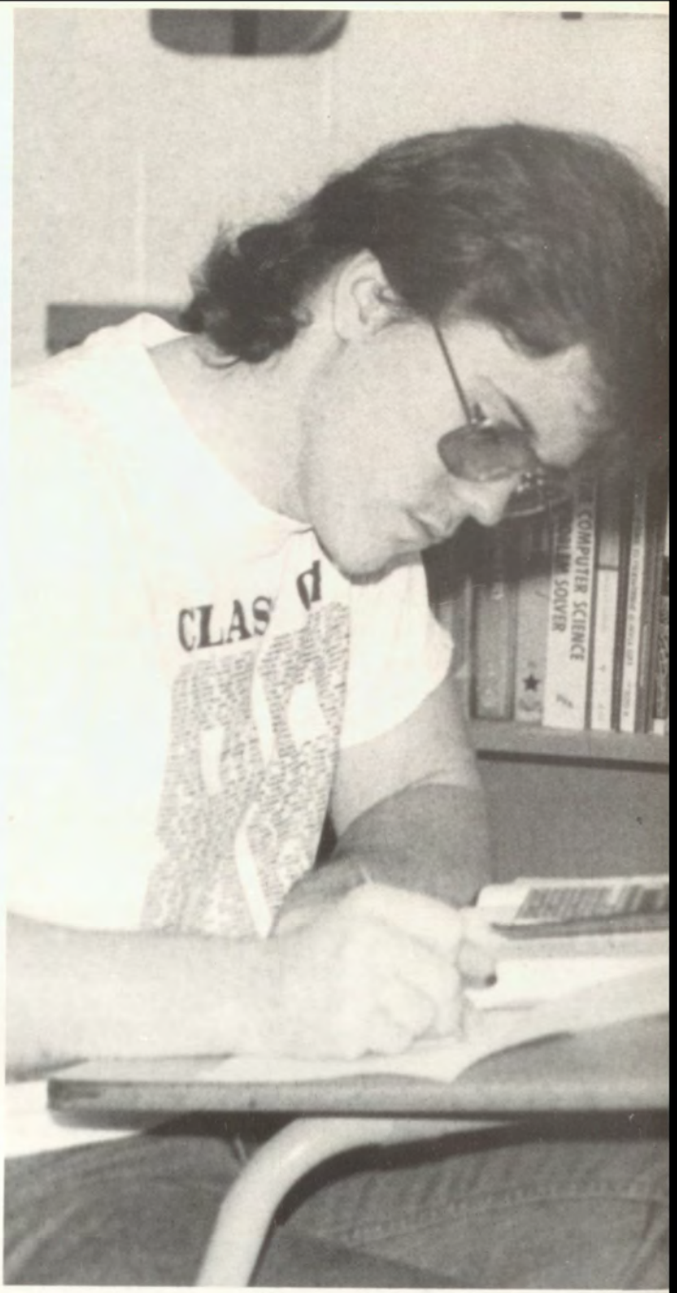
High school was a very trying time for most students. Giving in to a desire to "blow-off" school and party would have been quite easy. But there were some students who realized that college work would be much harder than what they had been experiencing, and these students chose the most difficult classes they could to prepare themselves.

Several courses for college bound students filled the year. Mrs. Sherry's pupils in Physics II used independant study and research to broaden their own thinking as they further investigated the properties of physics and chemistry that govern our lives.

Also, we'd all been told by our friends in college how tough freshman English was to pass. The Honors English classes, for students who excelled in English, paved the way for college cirriculum. All English classes wrote papers constantly throughout the year to learn how to develope and express their ideas in a meaningful and colorful manner.

For students who leaned more toward math, Mrs. Hill taught Pre-Calculus. This class combined both trigonometry and calculus as it explored the higher concepts of math.

Courses in college will be tough, but the transition from high school was made easier by developing academic skills before it is too late. By applying ourselves we created a strong foundation upon which we couldbuild our futures.

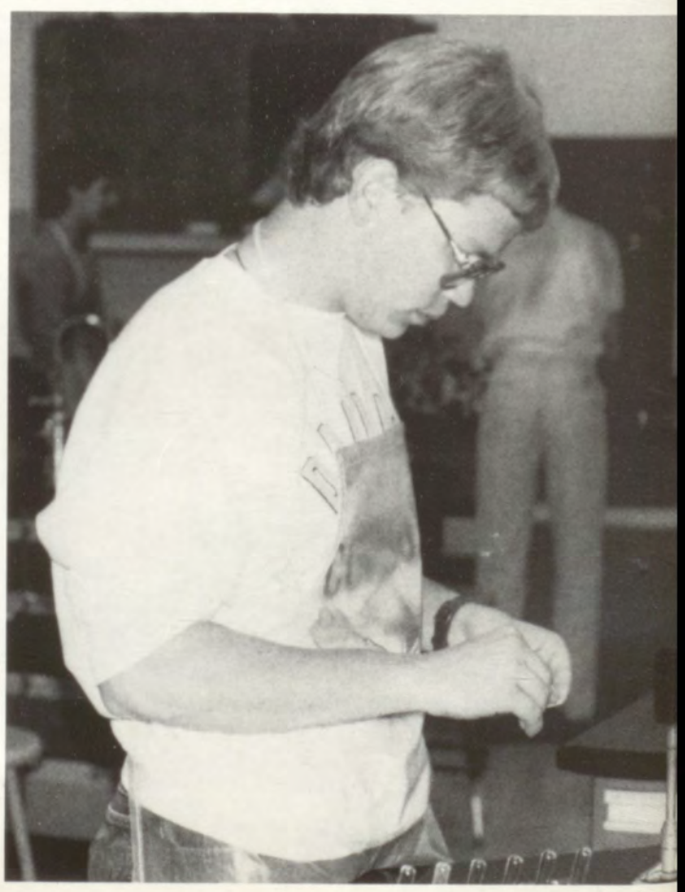




Looking for mistakes, Angela Perez checks her Honors English paper before it is turned in.

Unsure of how to complete a Pre-Cal problem, Jason Cmerek looks to Chris Naivar for help.

Attempting to identify an unknown substance, Jeff Frankeny displays proper lab procedure.

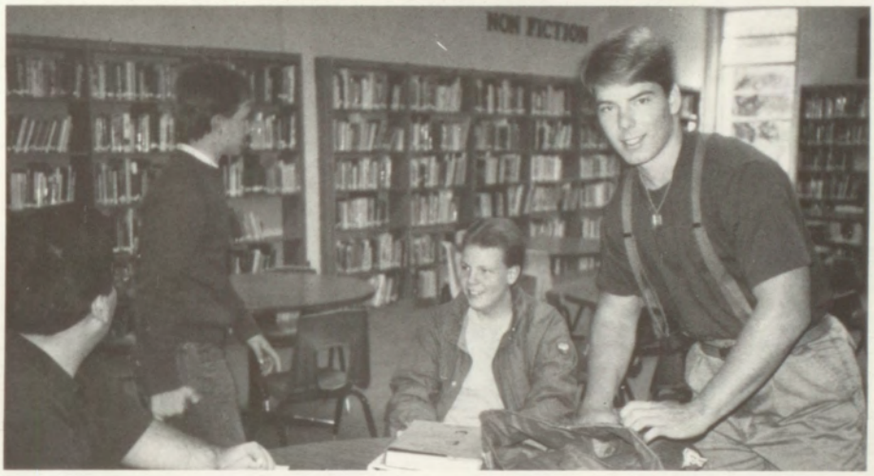




The Physics II Class

Prepared to do Honors English work , Chad Marek, Jay Sutton, Trey Bachmeyer, and Chris Lee visit the library.





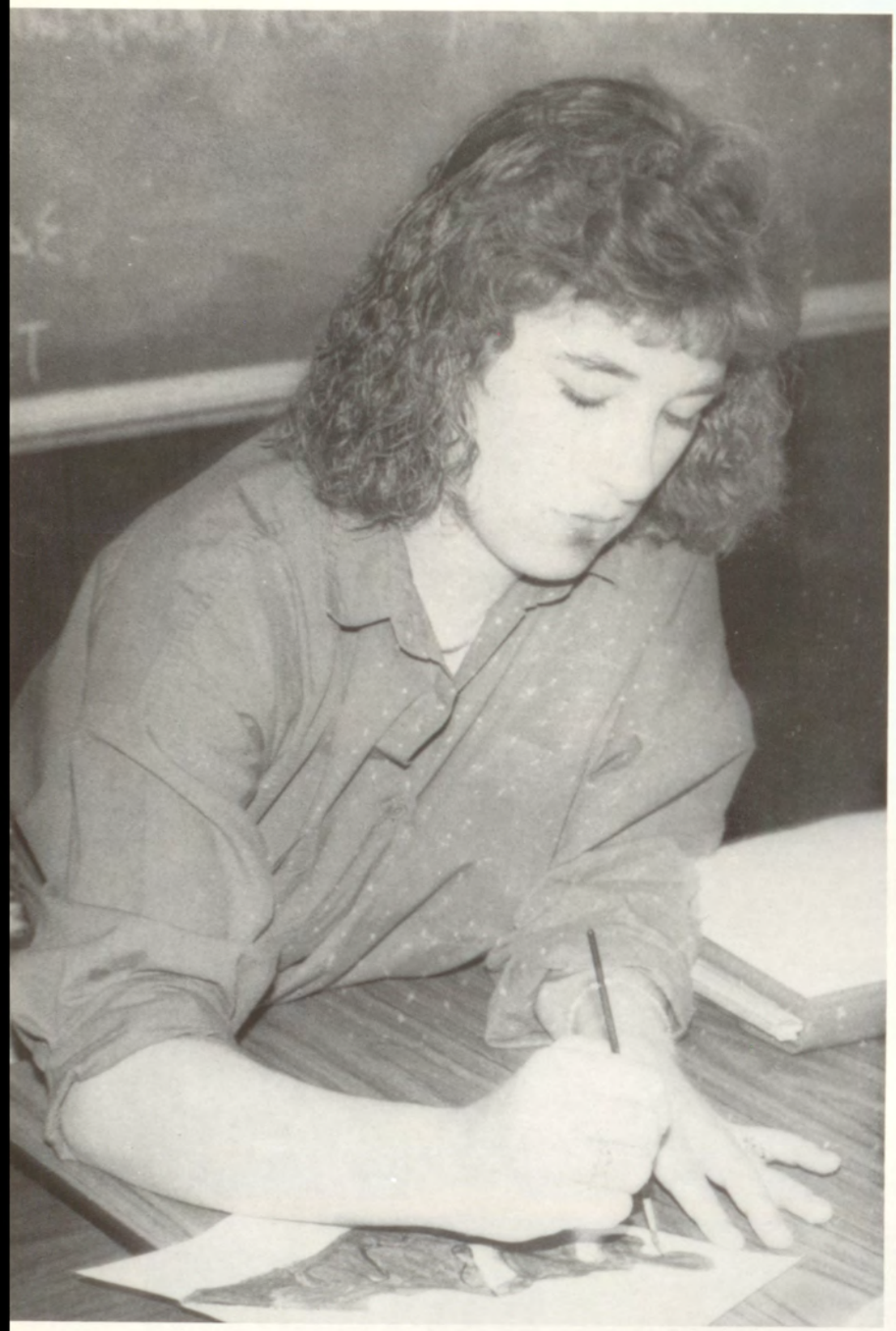




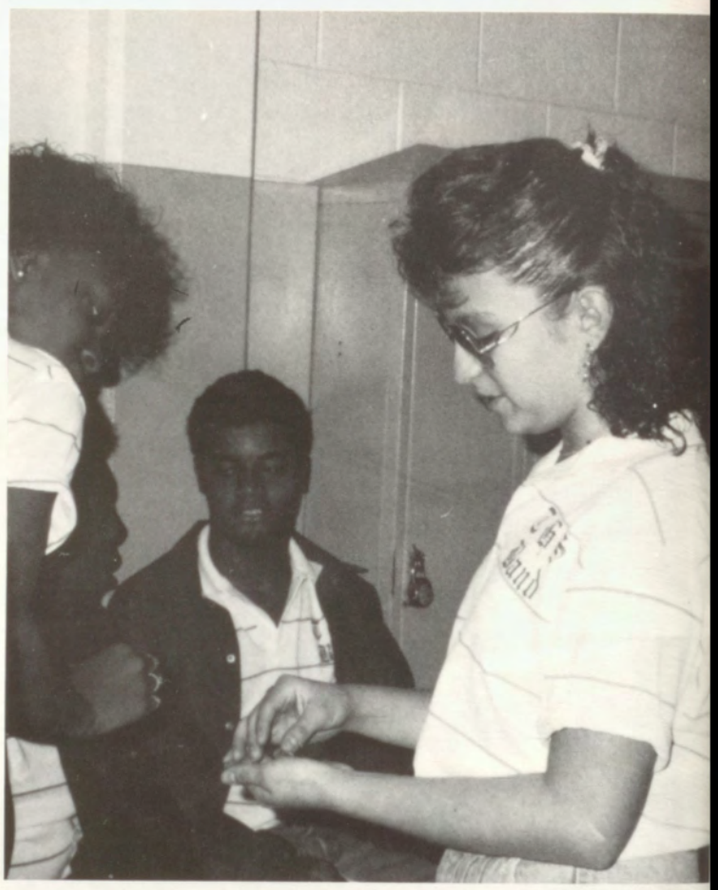
Watching carefully for a chemical reaction, Mark Stoll waits patiently during a Physics II experiment.



Confused by a complicated equation, Kari Kovar takes her Pre-Cal homework to teacher, Mrs.Sharon Hill.







Working on her art project, Coleen Leschber learns the technique of painting.

Acting out a skit, Kim Gonzales, Shannon Dloughy, and Clayton Stiba participate in theater arts.

Taking a break between prformances, Tanique Taylor, Tina Bailey, Edwin Taylor, and Jessica Carranza count change.

Entertaining the crowds, Julie Hargrove, Christie Mayer and Danielle Cline earn their Fine Arts credit by singing in the choir.



Getting Uptown



Reading their scripts, Crystal Marx and Melanie Spurgeon prepare for their upcoming play.

Since House Bill 72 passed and the graduation standards were raised, fine arts had become a must for graduation. Classes such as art, drama and band had become not only required, but also popular. If students chose not to take band, then they had to take drama or art. For some students this placed an extra load on a full schedule; thus, many electives had to be taken at 7:30 in the morning. Some of us hated the early hours at first, but as the year passed, we found that we enjoyed these courses and really didn't mind the getting up early. It was a welcome break from the regular academic type courses we were accustomed to taking, and we all enjoyed the idea of being able to do something out of the ordinary within our busy school day, especially if we knew the rest of our day was filled with an after school job. Besides, we were learning to be well rounded and knowledgable about different kinds of music, dance, art and theater. Now we could converse with just about anyone.



Fulfilling their Fine Arts credit, many students choose to participate in band.

Taking a customer's money is part of Christie Janke's job as a cashier/hostess at Sirloin Stockade.

Checking customers out at Wal-Mart , Triva Riggins is careful to always give the customer the correct change and a friendly smile.





Experiences For the Future

As time went on, many of us began to think about what type of career we wanted after we were out of school. Though many of us were undecided, we still had the opportunity to gain experience in the working world. Many students at Taylor High worked half a day through various work programs like VOE and DECA, while others worked after school and on weekends. Even though some of these jobs weren't the ones we wanted to have for the rest of our lives, we still gained the responsibility and knowledge it took to hold down a job. Since this was what life was all about, this was just one more valuable facet of our overall education.





Sharpening her typing skills , Lisa Lanier prepares for an office job she hopes to have after graduation.

Answering telephone calls is part of Sharri Lopez's job as an office secretary at THS.











Looking through files , Tina Bieless helps the counselors find information on students at THS.

Receiving a phone call at TISD , Shaun Lynch transfers a call to another office. Proper phone etiquette is an important part of many jobs.

Working with the computer is part of Michelle Wilson's job at City National Bank.

Having a job at DPS has helped Laura Wagner gain the experience to continue working there after she graduates.

The Party's Over?!

As we were invited to the latest party, we thought of those horrible finals coming up, not to mention that last research paper. Knowing we were college bound and realizing that high grades were a necessity, we knew we had to give this party some thought.

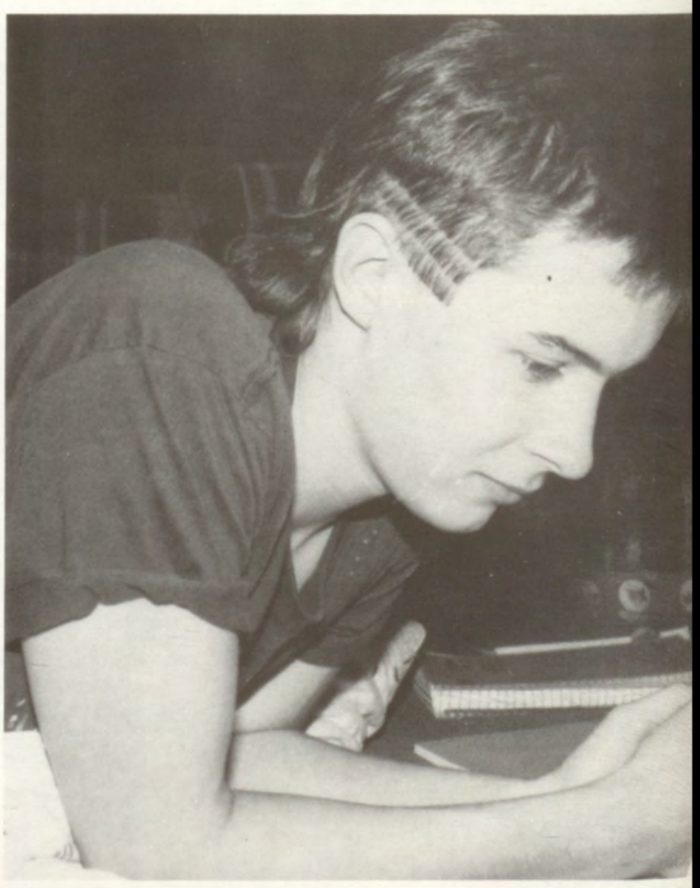
At the end of most weeks, parties, dances, and riding around had seemed an escape from studying. After a few times of more fun than books, it had shown in grades. Something needed to be changed. The parties became fewer, and the enfamous "party-animals" returned to students. Our grades came up, but now, what about those finals? We rushed to get the notes we had missed and papers we had lost. We disorderly went through wondering what to study first. At this point, I realized the parties would have to wait.

The last bell of the year rang and it was summer! Now, where were all those parties??



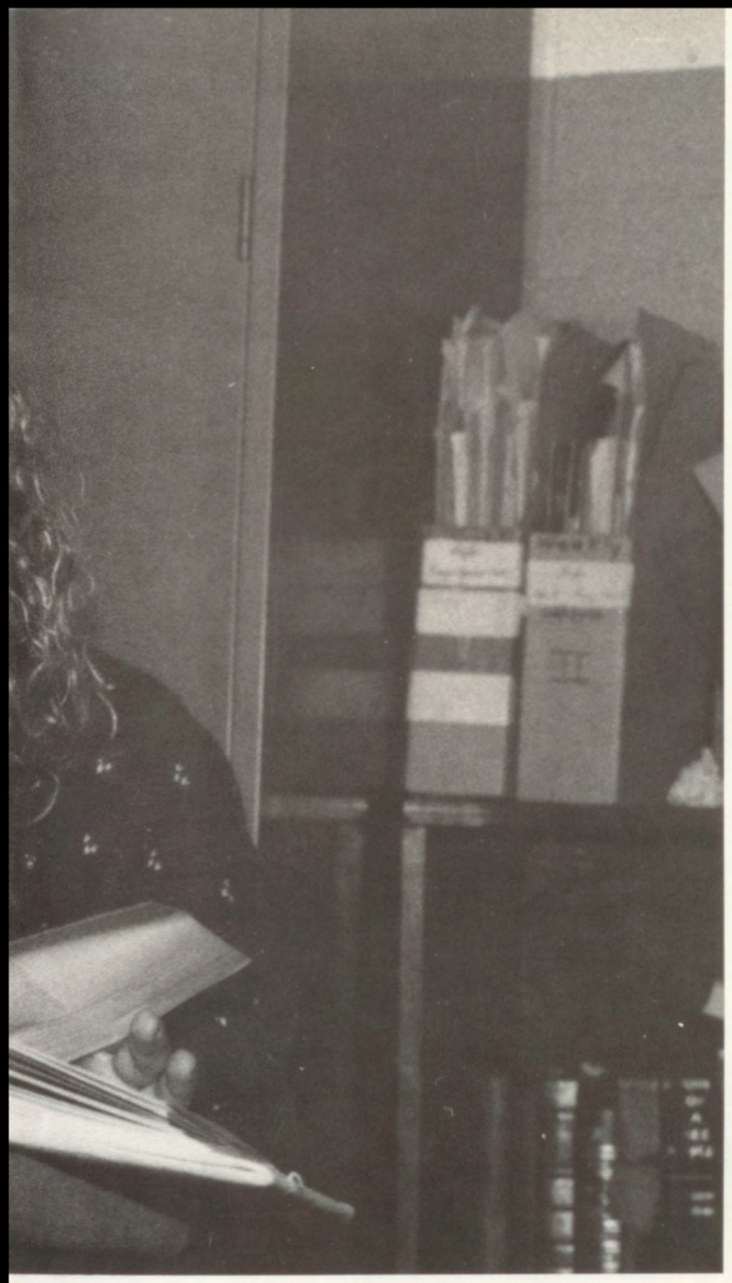


Waiting 'til the last minute , Marcy Sladek studies frantically for her chemistry test.



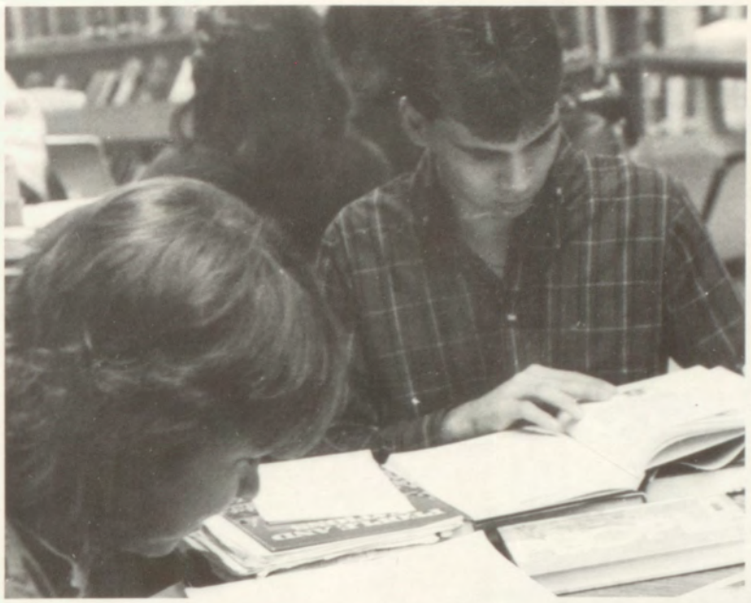
Reading over her notes quickly, Tami Wilkins does some last minute preparing for a government test.

Keeping his mind on Geometry, Darrell Mikulencak studies for an upcoming test.



Taking the opportunity of being in the library , Frank Woods and Scott Komandosky try to meet a deadline for their research paper.

Preparing for the next class, Robert Kollman studies for a brief time before the bell rings.





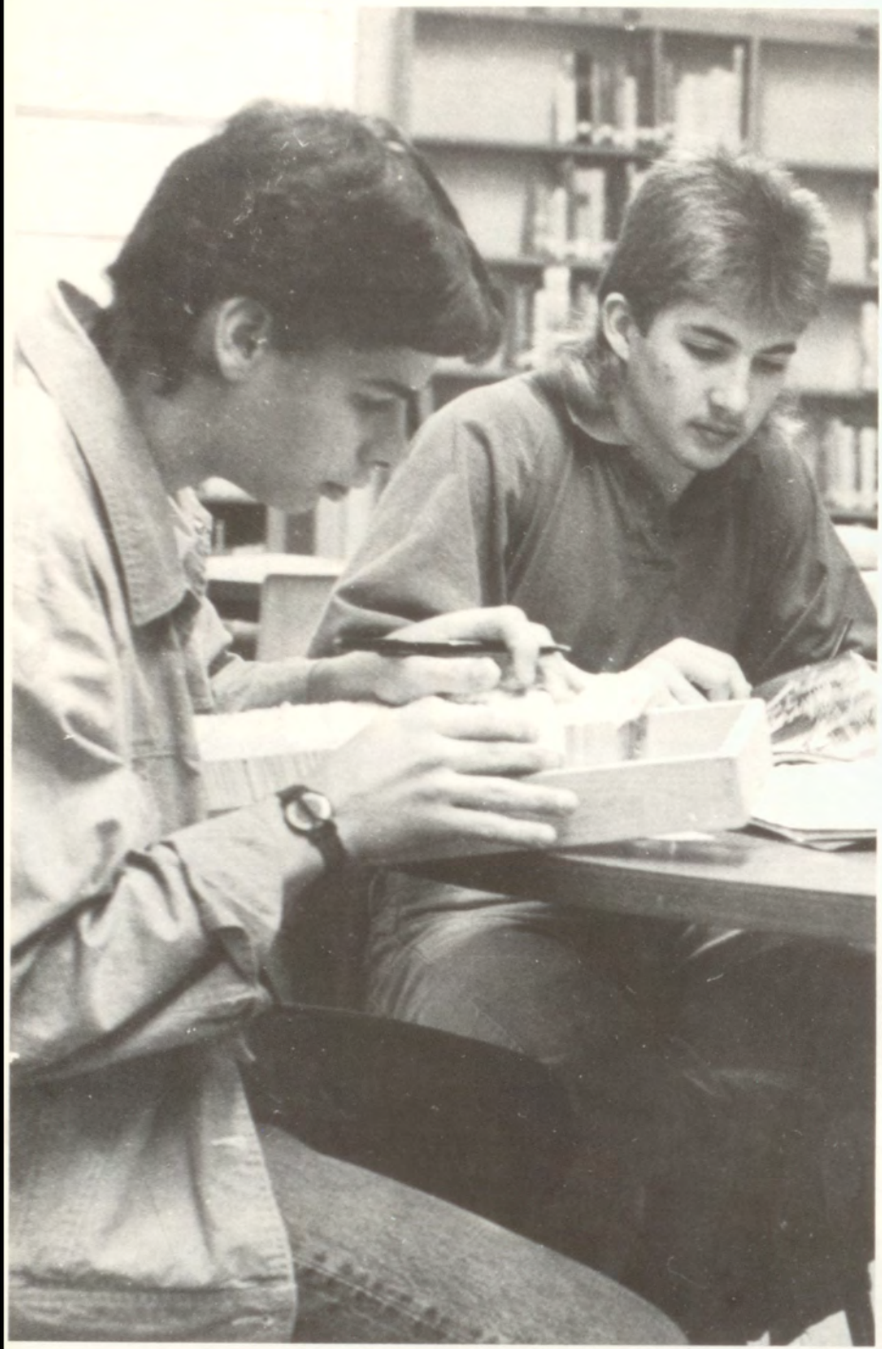


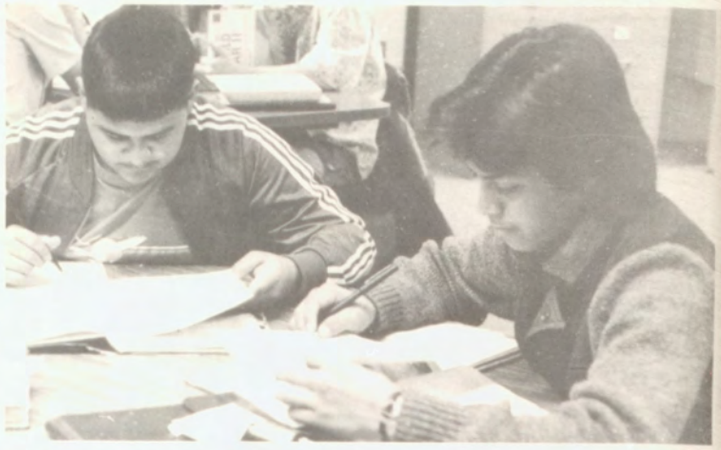


Loaded down with a sufficient amount of homework, Kim Winkler puts up the mixture of books. As you can tell, Kim is college bound.



Studying with frustration , Jeff Krueger tries to take in all the information he can during the few precious moments before his exam.







Looking through the card catalog, Toby Branson and Heath Helton try to find something new on their research topic.

Finishing their paper, Jesse Delgado and Carlos Rojas look through books to find information to complete their papers on time.

Searching to gather information for her World History report, Chandra White flips through the Kaleidoscope.

Preparing his paper in hopes that his teacher will accept his rough draft, Paul Stanford looks up a few last minute articles.

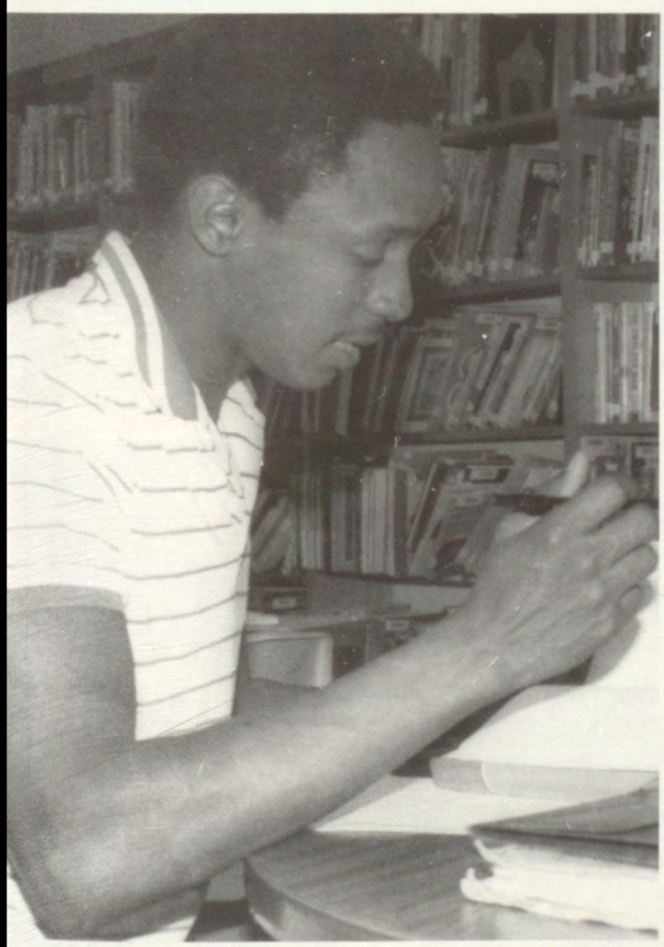
Skimming through some books to find more information on his research paper, John Gipson works extra hard to meet the deadline.



"Searching and Searching"



This year as juniors and seniors started on research papers, some were determined to work diligently on them, and some just didn't even bother with it. Whether it was English or world history, students had the responsibility of meeting a deadline with special requirements from each teacher. Juniors had easier topics than the seniors because the juniors were allowed to pick a varied topic. The seniors, on the other hand, were required to pick a major author about which to do research. Most of them, for this reason, felt their assignments were more difficult. Some students thought it would be easier if they took the easier classes, but no matter what English class, World History class, or teacher one might have had, it had always seemed to be the people who made it easy or hard. Even though research papers made us lose a lot of sleep, we all seemed to have been through that stage at one time or another.



Working diligently Tremesa Jones ,learns more about her country while working on her world nations assignment.

Studying for her SAT test, Jana Cervenka knows that she must be prepared to do the very best she can if she wants to attend the college of her choice.

Checking his answers, Shannon Dloughy takes a TEAMS practice test so he will be prepared for the real thing.





Means of Trial

This year something new was added at THS, the SAT prep course taught by Dixie Ross. The SAT prep course received some very positive comments and for the most part was very helpful in taking the actual SAT test. On the positive side, senior Kari Kovar commented, "It prepared me in a big way for my SAT test; I really needed it." Senior Jana Cervenka added, "I think it was very useful. My score went up 100 points." Lisa Krieg also remarked, "I was pleased to see my score go up."

Another test that caused a few moments of panic for some students was the TEAMS test which had to be passed to receive a diploma. For most students, a few tutoring sessions in math or English helped them give a sigh of relief.

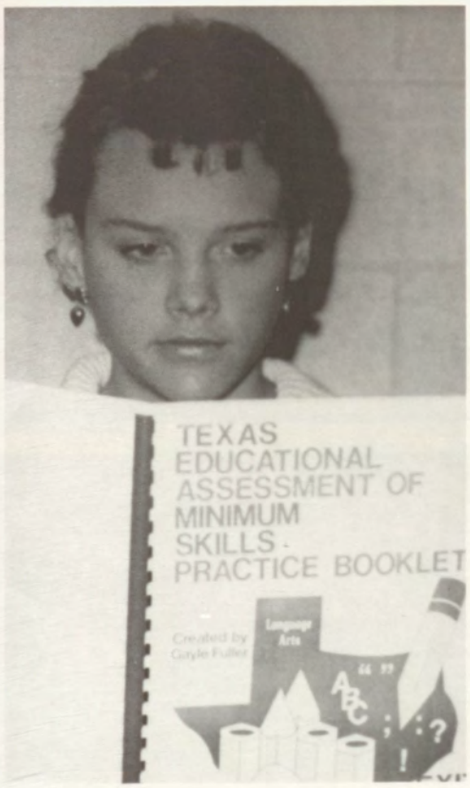


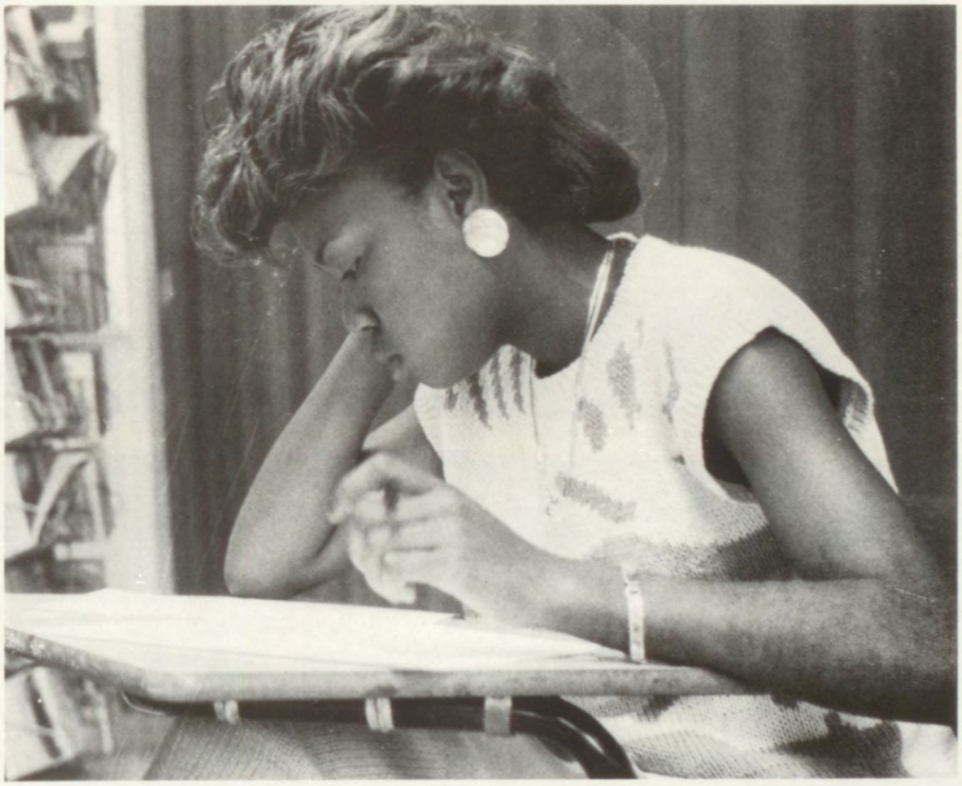


Filling in the little circles, Karen Kanak hastens to finish the practice test before the bell rings.

Starring into space, Nicole Baker tries to rack her brain to solve a math problem of the TEAMS test.









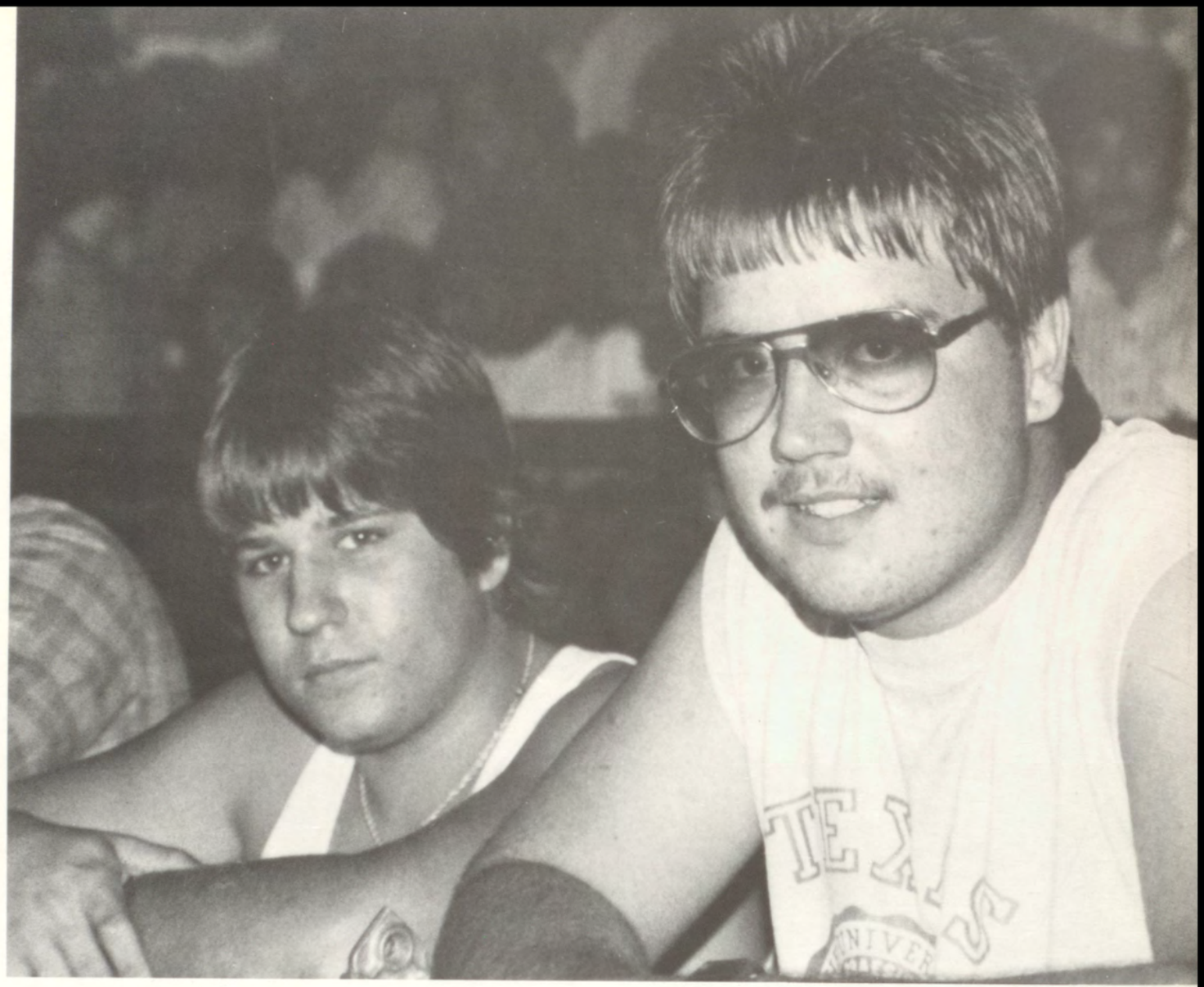


Looking over a TEAMS Practice Test Booklet, Kim Dykowski brushes up on the exam skills. Juniors really need to pass this test on the first try.

Contemplating one of th Language Art questions, Angela Jackson tries to choose a right answer among the many close choices.

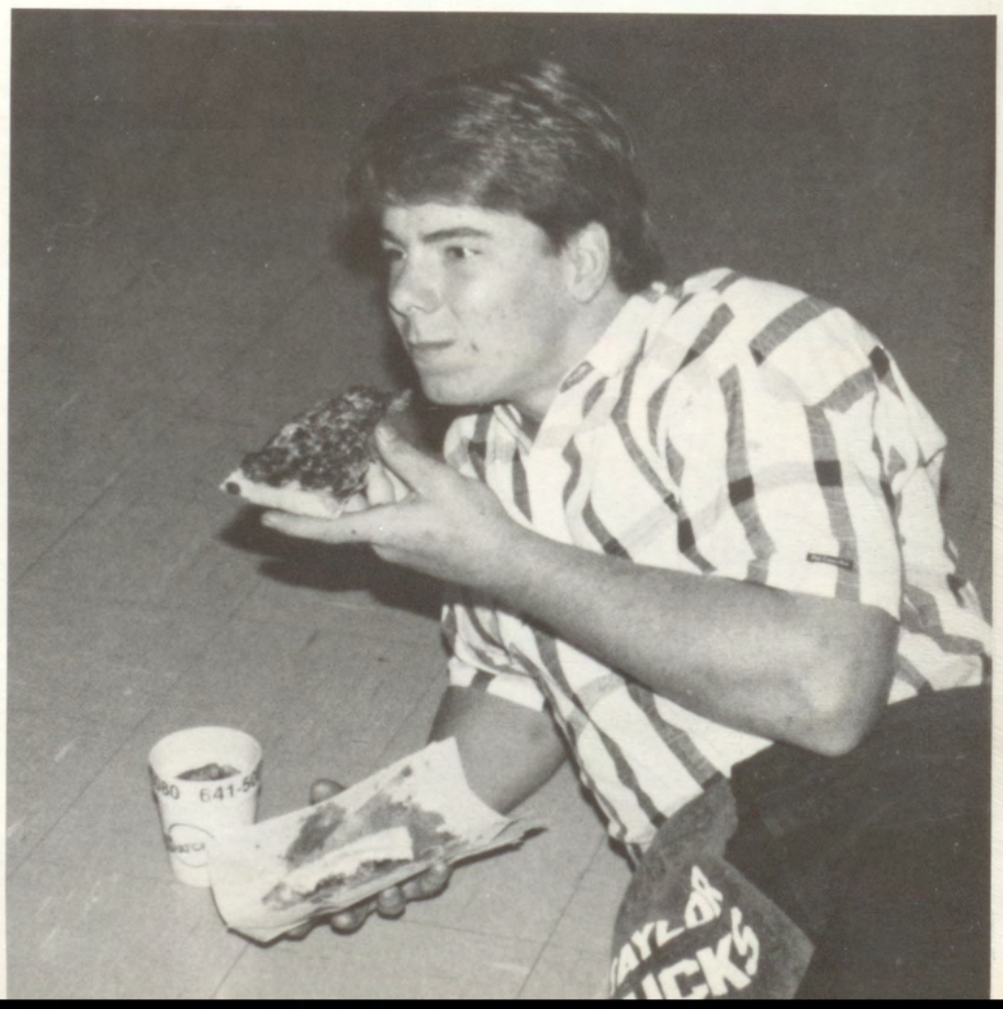
Making last minute changes, Chelle Hope, Sheila Deary and Hazel Miller want to be sure they have all the correct answers filled in.

Helping each other study, Kim Winkler and Kent Safarik think two heads are better than one.



Looking into the Camera , seniors Eddie Dlugos and Jerry Bennett relax during a football game.

Stuffing his face , Chad Marek eats pizza during a Ducks Against Drugs party.







THE FACES WE ENCOUNTER

While walking down the halls of Taylor High School, many different people attracted my attention. I noticed friendly and happy people, athletes, intellectuals, cheerleaders and class presidents, as they all strolled past me. In the years before, I had taken for granted the many individuals that make up this school and how unique we all were. As a senior, I realized how important it was to be natural and unique. Before, I had always wanted to blend in with everyone, do what everyone was doing, and act like everyone else. It had not occured to me that if I acted like the majority, I would not be noticed. I had to be myself, I had to act myself; that's what would win me friends and bring me recognition. I guess this was something we all had to learn; perhaps this realization cames with maturity. I did not know. I did know, however, that unequaled quality we students possess was what makes Taylor High School unparalleled among other schools.



Concentrating on the board, sophomore Tammy Moeller pays attention in class so she can understand the lesson.



Listening to a skit at Young Life, Sidney Felfe enjoys being a part of the impressive organization.

SENIORS



Clarissa Alderete: OEA 2; VOE Regional Award; Spanish Club; Who's Who
Peggy Alderete:
Robert Alderete:
Shelly Alewine: FFA Vice President (Lubbock); OEA; VOE



Jeff Ancira: Football 4; Track 1; OEA 2; VOE 1
Ursurla Anderson: Hi Stepper 1; Cheerleader 3; OEA; FTA
Penny Artieschoufsky: OEA; FTA; Cottonboll 2; Who's Who
Jerry Bennet: Junior Historians 2 (treasurer); MAO; Young Life; Who's Who; Art Club; UIL



Tina Bielss: OEA 2; Hi Steppers 3 (100 Hi-Club, 2nd Lt., Jr.1st Lt.); Spanish Club 2; Young Texan
Stephanie Blanchard:
Tracy Boelen:
Jennie Brasfield: Band 3; FTA 2; Drama 2; Latin Club 2; OEA; Who's Who; Young Life; Ducks Against Drugs; FHA; Cottonboll



Shannon Broadnax: HECE (Vice President); FHA 2 (Teasurer)
Tami Campbell: Cheerleader 4; FTA 3; Who's Who; NHS 2; Class Treasurer 4; OEA (Secretary); Cottonboll 2; Young Life 4; Speech & Drama; Ducks Against Drugs
Debbie Canales: Vollyball 3;, OEA; Mallard; Golf 3; Drama Club; Spanish Club 2; Basketball
Patrick Carter: Football 2; Track 3; Deca 2 (Vice President); Latin 2



Jana Cervenka: Latin Club 2; FTA 3; Young Life; Mallard; MAO
Raymond Chavana: Football 4; Track 3
Jason Cmerek: German Club
Cruz Comanche

TIME FLIES

This was finally it, our senior year. Where had all the years gone? It seemed as though this time would never get here, but now that it had gotten here it seemed as though time had just flown by. It seemed only yesterday that we were walking into high school for the first time as scared self-conscious freshmen. There had been something that helped us through that endless seeming year — each other. Our freshman class had been close, and we stood out from everyone else; we still stood out.

After four years we had become even closer. We've had a lot of experiences and adventures together that we would never forget. We'd all grown up into young adults that were about to take one of the biggest steps we would ever take. This step, graduation, would be the beginning of the rest of our lives. We all had different plans and goals for the future,and we would do our best to carry them out, each of us in our own special way.

It would be hard to say good-bye to THS and to each other. After all, this was like a second home and a second family to us. Above all, we knew all our friendships would last, and surely the memories of Taylor High would never be surpassed, and last but not least, we would always remember Taylor High for we knew that in each of our hearts, the green, the white and the SENIORS of '88 would ever fly!!!!







Laughing on the Senior trip , Kim Felfe discovers a new friend as she poses with her clown friend.

Showing off to friends, Dominique Griffin and Jeff Krueger, Kelly Koonce displays his recent catch.

Preparing herself for the upcoming religious services , Rachel Paulsen examines her cap.

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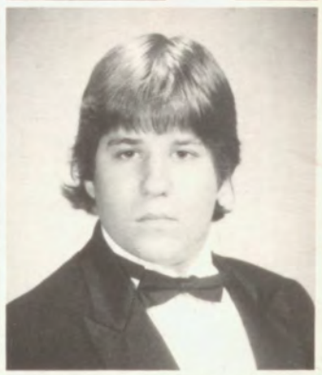
Nikki Cochran: Goodfellow 1; Student Senate (Reporter)2; MAO (Sec. 3); Cottonboll 2; Who's Who; NHS 3; Band 1; Twirler 1; Hi-Stepper 3; Latin Club 4; FTA 4; OEA 2; Ducks Against Drugs 2; Tennis 1
Kimberly Collier: FTA 1; FHA 2; Spanish Club 2; OEA 1
Lisa Crim: Band 4; Jazz Band 4; German Club (Vice Pres.) 2; Ducks Against Drugs; Choir (Pres.) 3; Mallard 1; NHS 2; Who's Who
Pat Cuba: Baseball 1; Track 1; Football 3; Young Life 3



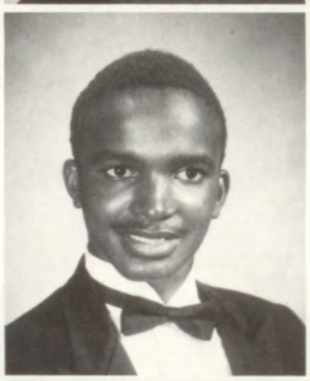
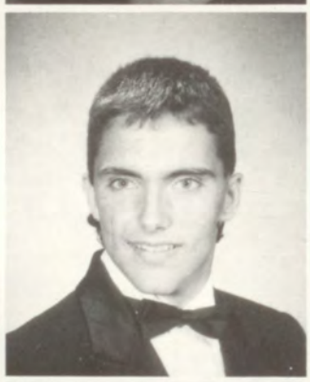



Dana Daniel: FTA 3 (Sec. 1, District Pres. 1); Latin Club 3 (Pres. 1); MAO 3 (Parliamentarian 2); NHS 3; Student Senate 3 (Pres. 1); Class Sec. 2; Band 4; Drum Major 2; Jazz Band 1; Young Life 4; Girls State Rep. 1; Who's Who
Sheila Davis
Sheila Dlouhy: Band 3; Drama 3; Ducks Against Drugs 1; Young Life 3; FTA 2; VICA 1; ICT (Sec.1)
Eddie Dlugos: FTA 2; Golf 2; Jr. Historians 3; Drama Club 2; FHA 1; Cotton Boll 1; NHS 3; MAO 3; Young Life 3

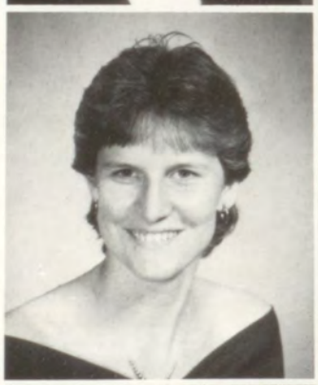


Reggie Ethridge
Roger Elliot: FTA 1; Young Life 3; Cotton Boll 2; Football 2; Latin Club 2; OEA 1; Track 1
Dean Faught: Football 1 1/2; Young Life 2; Latin Club 2; ICT 2 (Pres. 1)
Kimberly Felfe: FTA 1; Band 4; Jazz Band 1; German Club 3; NHS 3; Ducks Against Drugs 2; OEA 1; Young Life 1; Mallard 1

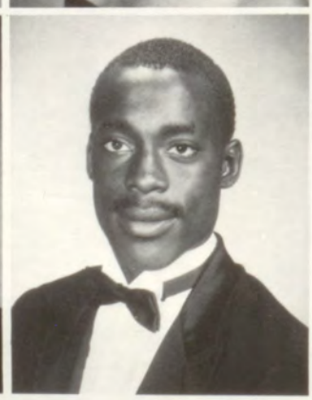





Pam Ficsher: FTA 4; Basketball 3; Class Rep. 2; Student Senate 3 (Vice Pres.1); OEA 1; Ducks Against Drugs 2; Band 1; German Club 2; Young Life 4; Who's Who; 4-H 4; Track 2
Tracy Fleming: Young Life 2; OEA 2; Band 4; Jazz Band 2; NHS 2; MAO 1; Ducks Against Drugs; VOE; Honors Eng. 3
Raymond Flores: Football 1; Band 3
Janice Flory



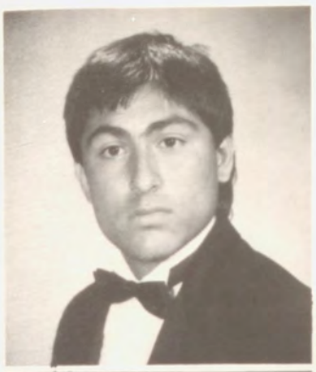



Jeff Frankeny: Tennis 4 (Varsity); FTA 4; Latin Club 4; Danforth Award; Ducks Against Drugs 2; Academic Award 3; Drama Club 1; MAO 3 (Pres.; Vice Pres.), Young Life 4; Who's Who; Duck Call 1; Class Rep.; Student Senate; Senior Class Parliamentarian; Junior Classical League 1; Optimist Young Texan; NHS 3; Honors Eng. 4
Robert Frederick: Football 4; Basketball 4; Track 4
Cherry Fugate: Vollyball 3; Basketball 3; Tennis 4; FTA 4 (Scrapbook Historian); Latin Club 3 (Vice Pres. 1); Ducks Against Drugs 2 (Pres. 1); Young Life 4; Campaigners
Cindy Gamez: Band 3; FFA 1; Choir 1; OEA 1; German Club

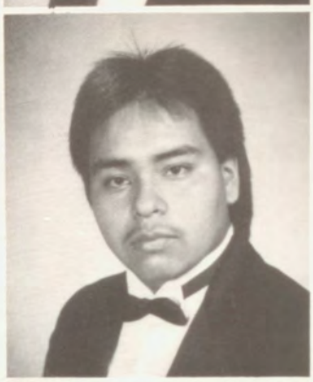


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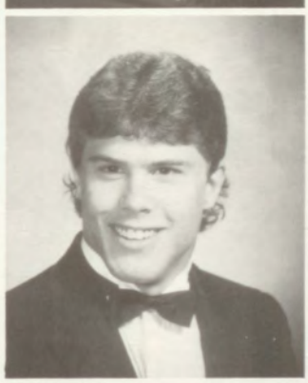



Tony Gamez: Band; Football 3; VOE
John Gipson: Cross Country; Football 4; Basketball 3; Track 3; Goodfellow 2; Who's Who; Class Pres. (Soph.); Vice Pres.(Jr., Sr.); Latin Club 2; Young Life 2; Ducks Against Drugs; FFA; Cottonboll (Sports Editor)
Cynthia Gonzales: VOE; OEA 2; Hi-Stepper 3 (Captain Sr., 2nd Lt.; Jr.); Spanish Club 2
Dean Gonzales






Gabriel Gonzales: Band 4; Spanish Club; ICT; Ducks Against Drugs; Who's Who
Kim Gonzales: Latin Club 2; Drill Team 3; Ducks Against Drugs; FHA; Drama Club; Young Life 3; OEA; Cotton Boll Staff; Yearbook Staff
Richard Gonzales: Spanish Club 2; Senior Class Pres.; NHS 3; MAO 3; Student Senate; Academic Award; Who's Who; Goodfellow 2
Ernest Good: Football 2; Track 1

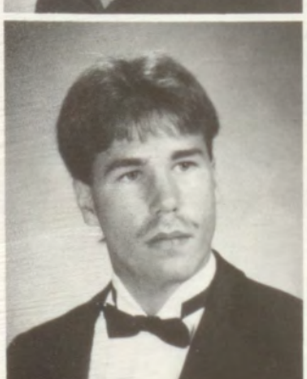


Leslie Gray: Vocct 2; HERO 2
John Grieger: Latin Club 2; Football 4; Track; ICT (Vice Pres.)
Dominique Griffin: Class Pres. (Freshmen); NHS 3 (Sec. 1); MAO 3; Cheerleader 3; OEA; Who's Who; Mallard 2; Honors Eng. 4; Young Life 2; Ducks Against Drugs; FTA
Kristi Guentzel: Band; German Club; OEA 2; FHA 2






Raquel Gutierrez: FTA; Ducks Against Drugs 2; Spanish Club 3; HERO; VOCCT
Christi Hall: Twirler 1; Hi-Stepper 2; Latin Club 1; Band; Young Life; OEA; Cotton Boll
Cristi Hamann: Volleyball 4; Basketball 3; Drama Club; Latin Club; FTA 3; MAO 3; Ducks Against Drugs 2; NHS 2; OEA; Who's Who; Academic Awards; Nominee for Kiawanis Soph. of the Year Award
Jessica Herrera






Chad Holmstrom: Football 4; Track 2
Chelle Maddox
Randy Hyzak: Football 4; FTA 2; Young Life 2; Latin Club 2; OEA; Ducks Against Drugs 2; Track 2; Basketball 2; Who's Who; Academic All American; National Honor Roll
Wendy Ivicic: Volleyball; Basketball; OEA; Young Life; Hi-Steppers 2; Latin Club 2; Mallard; DECA

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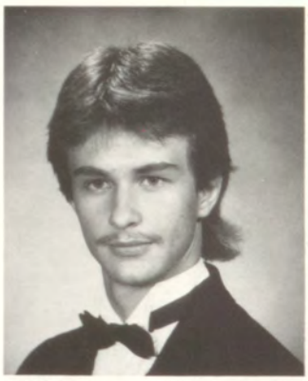
Shaun Lynch: Band 1; Latin Club 2; FTA 1; NHS 2; OEA 2 (Reporter-1); Young Life
Ethan Machu: FTA 4; VICA 2; B-Choir 1; A-Choir 1
Fabian Magana: Football 3; Baseball 4; Basketball 2; Track 2; OEA; Art Club; Young Life 2; Cotton Boll Photographer 2; Spanish Club 2
Roseann Matysek: Basketball 1; Class Parliamentarian; Jr.-Sr. Class Secretary; FTA 2; OEA 1; Who's Who; Homecoming Princess; Mallard 3 (Co-editor 2); Latin Club

Anne McConchie: FTA 4; Latin Club 2; Stepper Mgr. 1; Mallard 1; Student Senate (Sec.) 1; Young Life 4; Young Texan; Who's Who
Shasta McCormick
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Adam Mehevec: FTA 2; Latin Club 2; Ducks Against Drugs 1; Young Texan; Who's Who; Young Life 4; Mallard; 12th Man; NHS 3; MAO 3

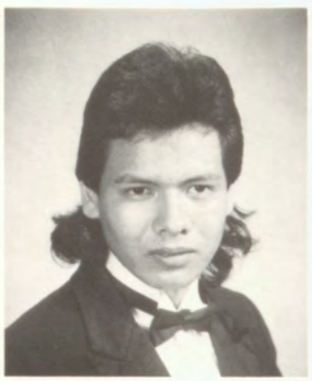


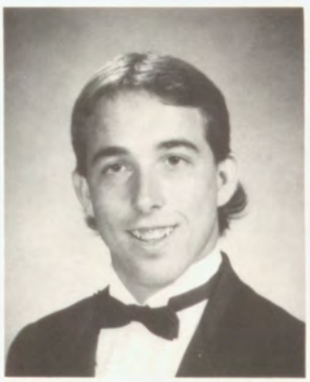
That crazy Class of '88

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Patrick Mekolik
Daniel Mendez: VICA 2; ICT 2
Randy Michna: Football 4; Track 2; FTA 4; FFA 3; German Club 2; Art Club 1; Young Life 4
Sandra Mikulencak: Young Life 4; Latin Club 2; Student Senate (Treasurer) 1; FTA 4 (Historian 1, Pres. 1, District Vice Pres. 1); OEA (Vice Pres. 2); NHS 2; MAO 3; Mallard 2 (Photo Editor); Art Club 1; Who's Who; Homecoming Queen





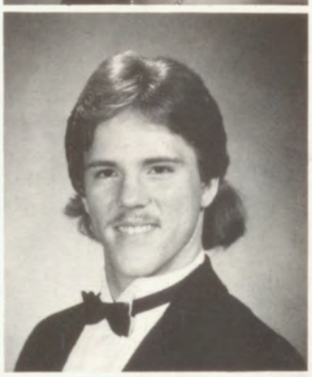




Hazel Miller
Patricia Milligan: FHA 2; Track 1; Vollyball 1
Renee Morris: FTA 4; Basketball 1; Latin Club 2; MAO 3; A-Choir 1; Young life 2; OEA 2
Chris Naivar: Band 4; Jazz Band 4; Cotton Boll 2; Football 4; Track 4; Basketball 1; NHS 3; MAO 2; Who's Who; Academic Award 2; Soph. of the Year candidate









Paul O'Connell: Band 4; Jazz Band 2; German Club 2 (Parliamentarian); Who's Who; Honors English 4; Young Life 4
Lynn Parker: Vollyball 3; Basketball 1
Mina Patel: FTA 4; Latin Club 2; MAO 3; NHS 3; Speech and Drama Club 3; Ducks Against Drugs 2; Cotton Boll 1; Junior Classical League 1; Who's Who; Academic Award 3; A.M. House Award; U.I.L Awards 2
Rachel Paulsen: FTA 2; Vollyball 2; Track 1; Latin Club 2; Honors English 4; Band 1; Who's Who

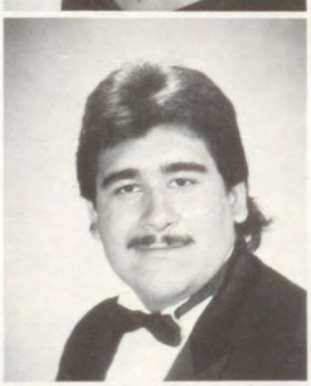








Matthew Pearson: Football 4; Basketball 4
Lee Perez: Football 4; FTA 1; Latin Club 1; Drama Club 1; Track 2; Young Life 3; Class Rep. (Freshman)
Katrina Petrus: FTA 4; Spanish Club 2; OEA 2; Young Life 4; MAO 3; Ducks Against Drugs 1; Mallard 1; Cotton Boll (Photographer) 1
Shirley Phoenix: HERO 1; Young Life 1; Hi-Stepper 2; Ducks Against Drugs 1; Latin Club 1; Cotton Boll 1





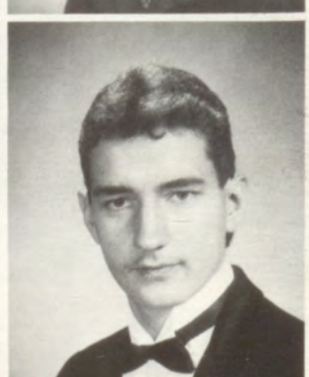




Patrick Pille: NHS 3; Junior Historians 3 (Vice Pres. 1, Pres. 1); Young Life 1; Honors English 2; A-Choir 4 (Librarian 1, Parliamentarian 1, Vice Pres. 1); Ducks Against Drugs 1; Golf 2
Maxine Pittaway: DECA; FHA
Cindy Raesz: FTA 1; Speech and Drama 1; OEA 2(Treasurer); Mallard 1; Honors English 4
Aaron Reithmayer: FTA 4; DECA 2; Latin Club 2; NHS 2; Young Life 4; Who's Who





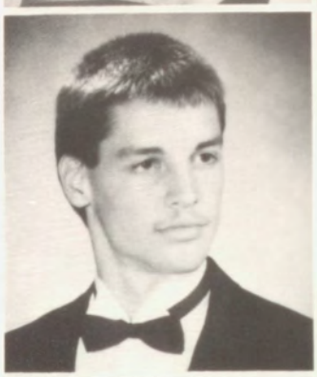


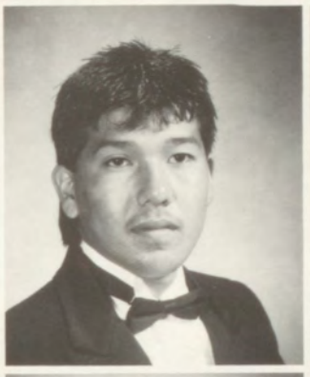
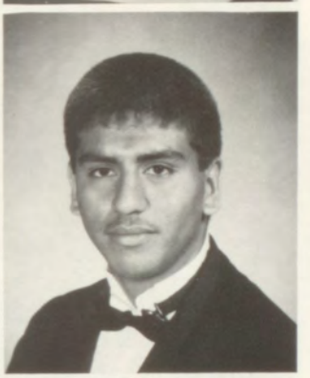
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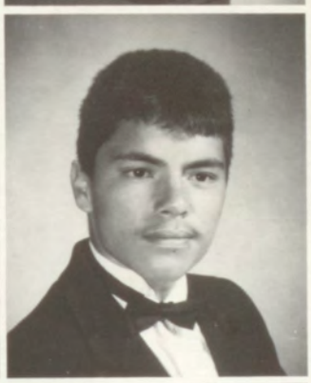


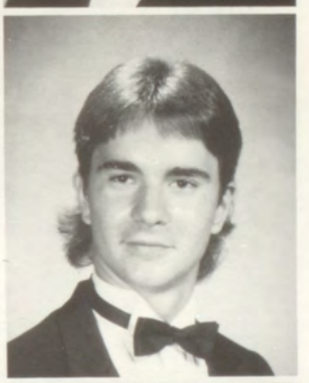

Triva Riggins
Janet Robinson: Band 3; Choir 4 (sec. 1); FHA; HERO; Who's Who in Music
Celestino Robles: ICT; Building Trades 2; Welding
Jeanette Rodriguez: FHA 3; OEA 1; Spanish Club 1; Band 4; Who's Who; HERO (Vice Pres. 1); HECE



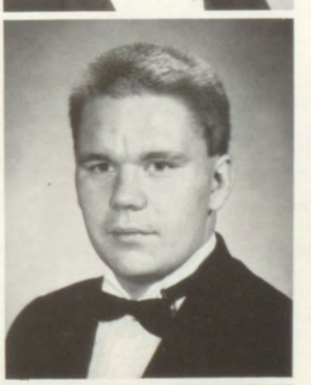
Patrick Rosipal: Football 4; Baseball 4; Track 1; Basketball 1; Latin Club 2; FTA 1; NHS 2; Art Club 1; Young Life 2; OEA
Cindy Safarik: FTA 3; Latin Club 2; NHS 3; Art Club 1; OEA 2; Who's Who; Honors Eng. 2
Orlando Salazar: DECA; Baseball 4
Sebe Salazar: Football 4; Basketball 2; Baseball 4; Track 4

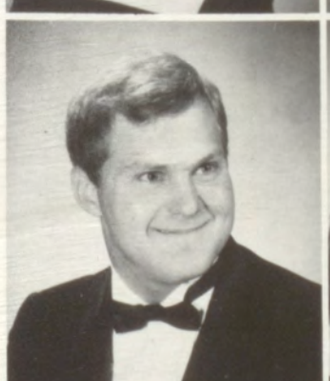


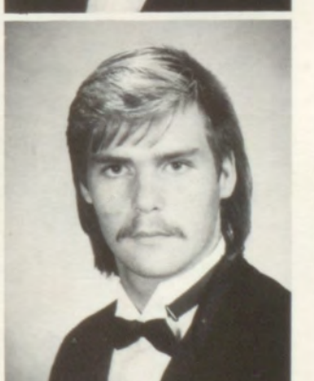
Debbie Sanchez
Gary Sanchez
Tina Savedra: Cotton Boll 2 (Photo Editor 1)
Chris Schultz: Football 3; Basketball 3; Track 2; Baseball 1; Latin Club 2; "12th Man"; Who's Who; National Honor Roll; Young Life; OEA



Zane Scruggs: OEA (Pres.) 2; Latin Club 2; FTA 2; Young Life 4; Ducks Against Drugs 2; NHS 1; Tennis 3; Young Texanne; Academic Achievment; Who's Who; National Honor Roll; National Merit
Shanna Shaw: FTA; Band 2; Twirler 2; Stepper 1; OEA 2; VOE
Tonya Simien
Todd Sladek: OEA 2; Football 2; Basketball 2; Track 2; "12th MAN"; VOE



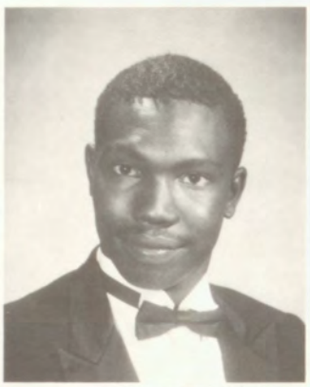



Mark Stoll: FTA 4; German Club 3; NHS 3; MAO 2; Band 2; Aademic Awards 3
Eva Szikora: German Club (Pres. 1); Art 1; Ducks Against Drugs 1; Exchange Student from Germany
Rachelle Tealer
Richard Tedford: Journalism 2

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Jason Teeple
Marc Tolbert: Basketball 4
Nicole Tone: Band 4; Twirler 4; FTA 4; Latin Club 3; Speech/Drama 2; Ducks Against Drugs 1; OEA 1; Who's Who; Honors Eng. 3; Young Life 4; TEP 1
Rose Marie Torres: Band 2; Spanish Club 2; FHA 1; OEA 1; Ducks Against Drugs 1; Who's Who

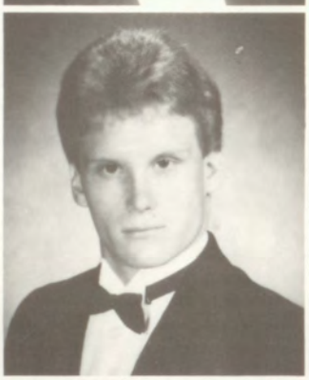




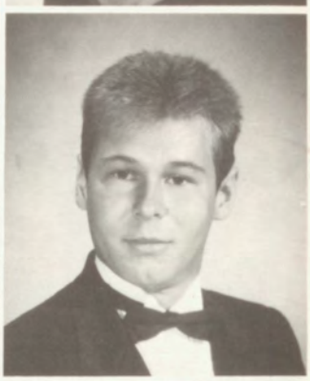




Anthony Turner: Baseball 1; Football 2; Basketball 4; OEA 1
Jodie Vanecek: Football 4; Latin Club 2; MAO 1; FTA 1; Who's Who; Young Life 3; OEA 1; Mallard 1
Cecilia Villanueva: FHA 1; Track 1; Choir 2; Spanish Club
Stephen Vorwerk: Football 2; Basketball 4; NHS 3 (parl. 1); MAO 3; German Club 2; Art Club 1; Who's Who; Young Life

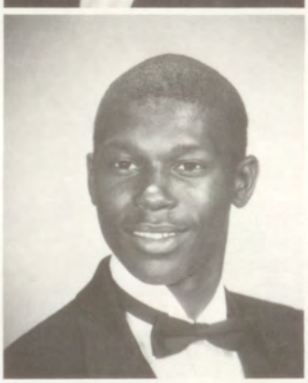




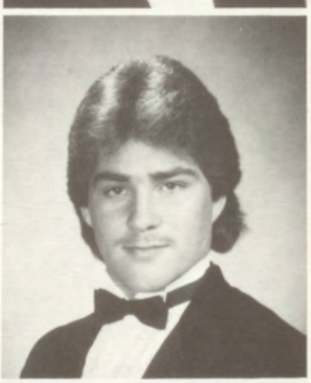




Laura Wagner: Band 2; Hi-Steppers 2 (co-captain 1); FHA 1; German Club 2; Mallard 1; Young Life 2
Thomas Washington: Football 4; Basketball 4; Track 4; Cross Country 1; Young Life 3; Ducks Against Drugs 2
Tami Wilkins: DECA; Hi-Steppers 2
Jeff Williams





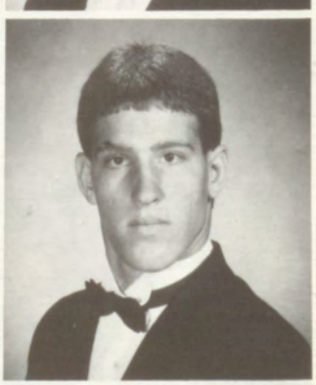




Roosevelt Williams: Football 4; Baseball 4; Track 4; Choir
Wade Wilsey
Michelle Wilson: Hi-Steppers 3; Young Life 3; Band 1; Latin Club 2; FTA 3; OEA 2; Who's Who
Brian Winkler: FFA 4; NHS 2 (treasurer 1); MAO 3; Mr./Mrs. 1986-87; Football 4





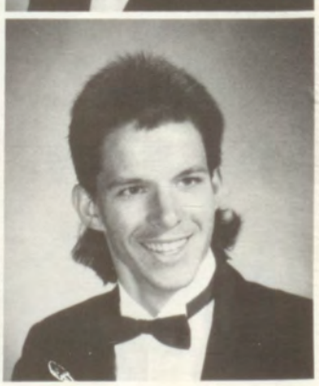




Connie Woolridge: Volleyball 2; Track 3; Basketball 2; Flags 3; HECE 1
Kim Wright
Stephanie Wright: Volleyball 4; Basketball 4; ODP 2; Track 3 (regionals/state); VOE; Flags 1; Homecoming Princess
John Wuensche: Band 1; ICT 1; Who' Who



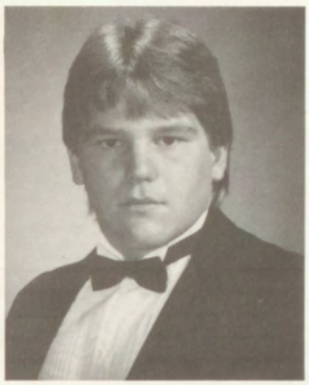




A BUSY TIME FOR ALL



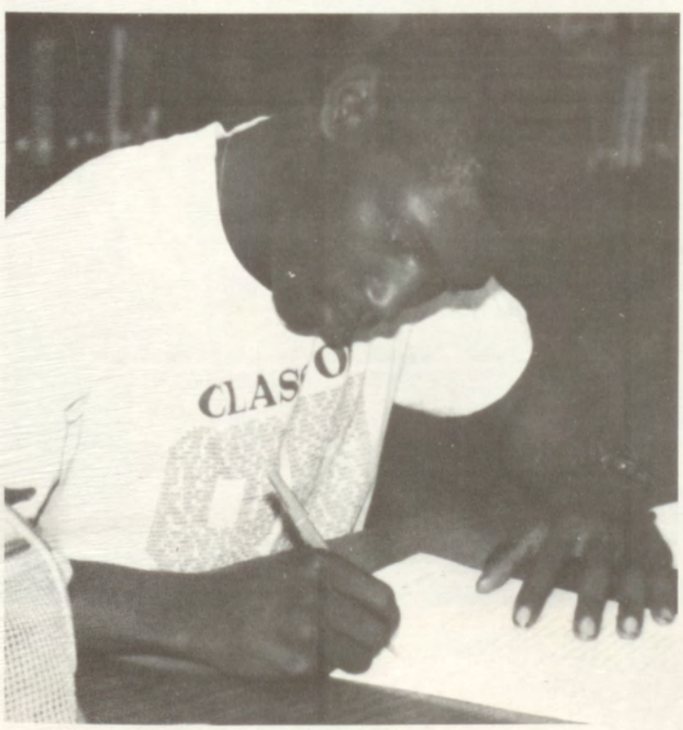




Daniel Zavala: Band 3; HECE 1 **Charlotte Zett:** FTA 4; Latin Club 2; NHS 3; MAO 3; Young Life 4; OEA 2; Band 4; Twirler 4; Who's Who **Darwin Zrubek:** Football 2; Track 2; FFA 3; Land Judging 2; Senior Farm Skills 1







Accepting a Rotary Club windbreaker, Cindy Safarik proudly tries it on for size.

Working diligently to finish his research paper, Thomas Washington hopes this is one of the last major papers he will have to write for a while.

Ordering senior invitations, Jeff Frankeny and Gary Sanchez hand over some of the money that it will cost them to graduate in the manner they choose.

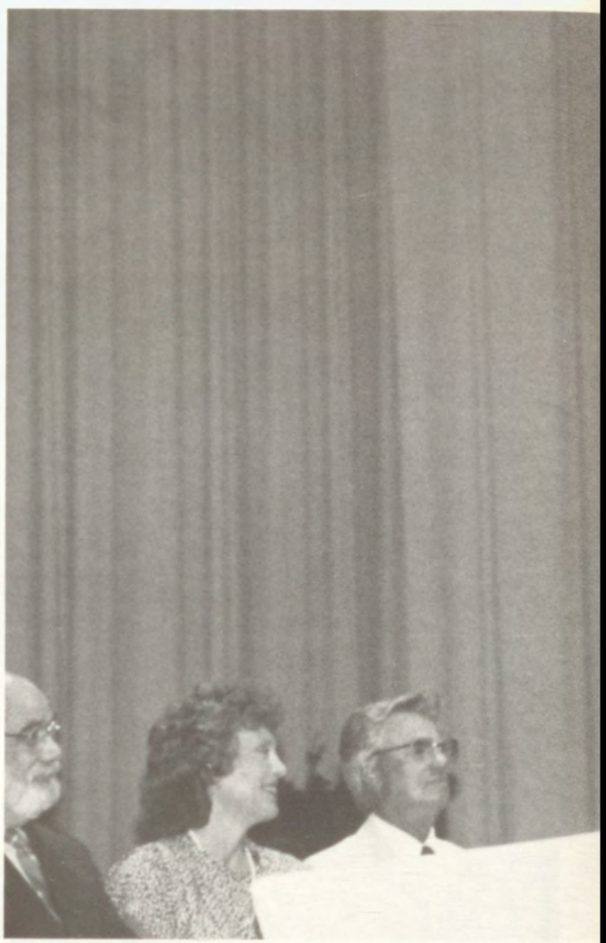
AT LAST



Giving the opening at Graduation is Richard Gonzales, Senior Class President.

Posing for a quick picture at the Prom is the class of '88.







Showing a smile after receiving her diploma is Janet Robinson.

Thinking how happy he is, Robert Alderete realizes it's over.

Smiling with pride is Cindy Raesz and Mr. McMakin.





Shaking Mr. Lankford's hand, Cherry Fugate is sad to leave as Jeff Frankeny waits for the next handshake.

Pausing a moment to look at his long-awaited reward is Jeff Krueger.









Smiling happily, Dominique Griffin receives her diploma with honors.

Standing on stage, some of the honor graduates show how happy they are to have maintained such a high average.

A Year of Responsibility

It was really hard to believe we were already juniors; the years had passed so quickly. Unbelievable. We were already upper classmen and subject to many new responsibilities we had never faced as freshmen or sophomores. This was going to be our most challenging year at THS, and we knew it. With events such as exit level TEAMS testing, SAT's, raising money for the prom, and struggling through research papers, the year was bound to be a hectic one.

It was also time to start seriously thinking about our futures. After all, we only had one more year to go. We had to start considering colleges and careers, which was something many one of didn't want to think about. It was a scary experience, but we had to face the fact that our time would soon follow this year's seniors. As frightening as all this seemed, we prepared ourselves to meet the challenges. We were determined to make this year a unique and memorable experience that we would remember always, and we figured if anyone could do it we could.







Showing their Taylor Duck Spirit, Aaron Maxwell and Chris Lee sport the colors of green and white as they watch the performance at pep ralley.

Making signs is just a part of being a cheerleader. Nikki Urbis and Valori Morales are just some of the ones involved in these weekly tasks.



Taking part in Spooktacular, Tammy Blahuta and her boyfriend Kelly mix with the crowd. Adella Almazon looks on as she sees a friend coming up the street.

Waving at the crowd in the school parking lot, Amy Sandoval and Kim Kruse leave one of the late night Stepper practices.



Russell Allen
Adella Almazon
Gerald Anderson
Aaron Askin
Trey Bachmayer
Nicole Baker



Jason Ball
Douglas Bengston
Tammy Blahuta
Christy Bland
Kevin Bogan
Donald Brandyburg



Toby Branson
Stephen Brasfield
Shannon Britton
Dorothy Broadnax
Kevin Brooks
Cheryl Brown



Barbara Brueckner
Susan Brummett
Sidney Bucanek
Fredrick Burrell
Larry Caldwell
Stacy Caplinger



Christopher Castro
Troy Cervenka
Cheryl Chapa
Danielle Cline
Chris Cook
Shirley Deary



Michelle Dillon
Shannon Dlouhy
Belinda Dominguez
Peggy Dominguez
Kim Dykowski
Melissa Elizondo



Randall Fischer
Cathy Flores
John Fontenot
Ronald Fontenot
Norma Garcia
Ruby Garcia

Juniors

Martin Gonzales
Melissa Griffith
Carla Guardiola
Bradley Hanson
Sandy Harrington
Sean Harris
Susan Hehman



Althea Henry
Valencia Henry
Arthur Hernandez
Madeline Hernandez
Brian Heselmeyer
Jolie Hester
Mark Hluchan



Andy House
Susan Hubble
Jan Jackson
Tonya Jackson
Jason Jansky
Tremesa Jones
Karen Kanak



Kelly Kaderka
Julie Keese
Lavita Kerley
Jerry Kidwell
Scott Komandosky
Shane Kostroun
Wade Krueger



Kim Kruse
Carl Larson
Paula Lechler
Chris Lee
Natasha Lewis
Melinda Leyendecker
Charity Lloyd



Chad Marek
Stephanie Martin
Barbara Martinez
Melissa Marx
Misty Mayer
Keith Mays
Aaron Maxwell



Temple McCormick
Chris McCoy
Stephanie Mercado
Lesha Mohel
Shannon Morales
Valori Morales
Todd Mucha



Juniors



Rhonda Neel
Sonya Neitsch
Leland Newsom
Chris Nipps
Alan Odom
Daniel Olivarez
Melissa Olivarez



Regina Ortega
Rebecca Ortiz
Cliff Owen
Rachel Pachicano
Steven Paredes
Kim Patterson
Angela Perez



Misty Perry
Kim Polasek
Clay Raesz
Cristina Ramirez
Ron Randig
Johnnie Reyna
Melissa Richter



Patrick Ripley
Trey Ripple
Brian Roepke
Margie Rodriquez
Shannon Rowley
Cynthia Ruiz
Brandt Rydell



Kent Safarik
Amy Sandoval
Jerrod Sanford
Patrick Satterfield
Paul Schlesinger
Carrie Schmidt
Shawna Schneider



John Scott
Patrick Shuffield
Chris Shoaf
June Simcik
Tracy Simien
Jenny Simmons
Randy Skrhak



Jodi Snyder
Jennifer Stafford
Paul Stanford
Mark Steger
Randy Stiba
Jay Sutton
Carl Tealer

Juniors

Steven Thomas
Leonard Tillis
Michael Townsend
Lori Turner
Priscilla Turner
Nicole Urbis
Susie Villarreal



Christie Volek
Nancy Walden
Jamie West
Chandra White
April Whittington
Alicia Williams
Kim Winkler



Kevin Yeoman
Regina Wright
Angela Winters









Showing their spirit, Juniors Jenny Simmons, June Simcik, Barbara Brueckner, and Kim Dykowski enjoy the pep rally.

Practicing their high kick routine, Shannon Rowley, Chad Marek, Leland Newsome, Jason Jansky, and Alan Odom decide they need more practice.

Enjoying themselves, Chris Cook and Amy Sandoval talk to friends at a progressive dinner party.

Working Toward Memories

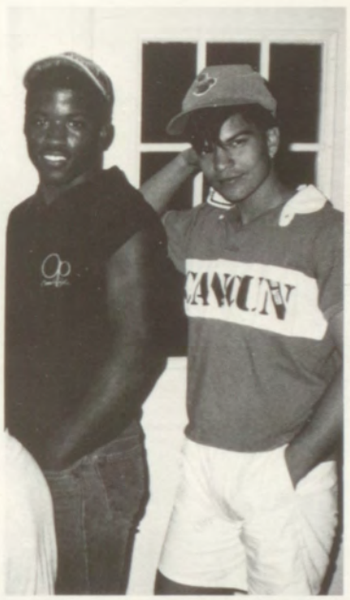
With all of the other enormous responsibilities of being a junior came the responsibilty of major fundraising. One of our major projects this year, of course, was the Junior/Senior prom. At the end of our sophomore year, we had made very little money, so we knew we had to work extra hard this year. We just had to raise enough money to put on a dynamite prom. Although we had many projects, a few of our major fundraisers were selling Duck feet at football games, sponsoring a concession stand, and putting together the Mr./Miss? Pageant. We knew that come May and time for the prom all the hard work would pay off, and our time and energy spent would be well worth it. Even when we got tired and ready to quit, just thinking of our prom kept us going. After all, we wanted our dance to be something unique, something we could all look back to and remember clearly. Also, we wanted our seniors to be able to say, "You all did a great job. Thanks for making our senior prom so special!"



Trying to show off and look beautiful, Trey Bachmayer becomes hard to recognize during the Halloween Spooktakular.

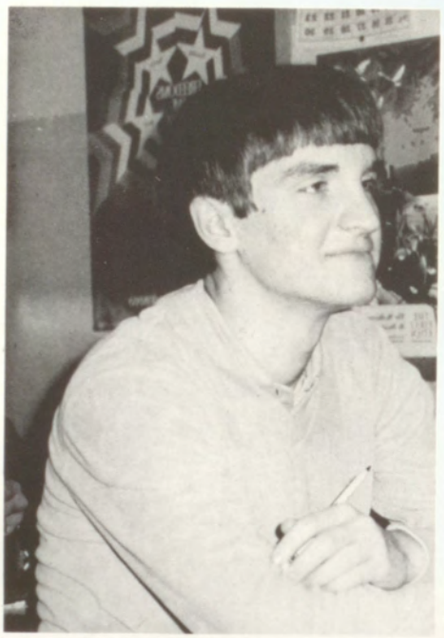


Preparing to take off at the sound of the bell to go to morning classes, Wade Krueger, Kevin Brooks and Trey Bachmayer have taken a few minutes to talk things over in the student center. This always proved a good place to catch up on the lastest gossip and find out what was happening or what had happened over the week-end, and for some of us, this was the only time we had a few minutes free to visit with our friends.



Getting ready to go out with the guys, Jerrod Sanford and Trey Larson prepare for an exciting evening.

After The Bell Rings



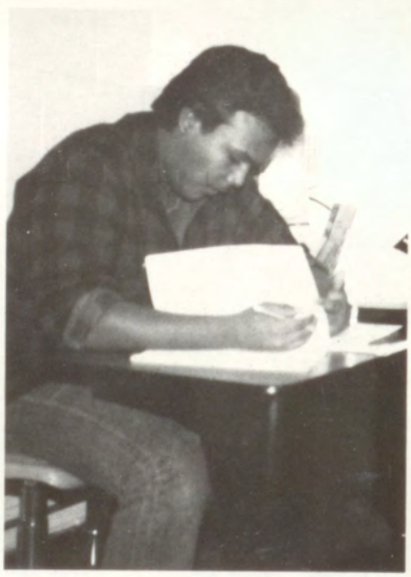
Thinking about his plans after school, Andy House waits patiently for the bell to ring.



Selling Duck feet to John Gipson, Stacy Caplinger helps raise money for the Junior Class.



Straightening cereal boxes, Christie Bland takes pride in her job at Safeway.



Sharpening his proofreading skills, Artie Hernandez works patiently during Word Processing.









Waiting for their cue, Tammy Blahuta, Nikki Urbis, Angela Perez, and Kim Winkler prepare to begin the Mr./Miss? Pageant.

Looking over her notebook, Jenny Simmons answers the questions over secretarial skills.

Taking a break during a volleyball game, Carl Larson, Shannon Morales, Nikki Urbis, Martin Gonzales, and Gerald Anderson relax in the student center.





Raising interest in the powder puff football game, Cathy Flores andCarrie Schmidt pose in their football uniforms.

Practicing their high kick routine, Shannon Rowley, Chad Marek, Leland Newsome, Jason Jansky and Alan Odom know they're good.

Rebecca Ackerman
Meggy Alderete
Monica Alderete
Robyn Artieschoufsky
Chris Autry
Gilbert Velasquez
Timothy Bailey
Barry Barker
Brittani Barron
Deandra Barron

Troy Bice
Shane Blanchard
Gregory Broadnax
Bennett Brown
John Buchanan
Michael Buchanan
Christy Caldwell
Carmella Cantrell
Caesar Carranza
Chris Carrizales

Alma Castillo
Christine Chasak
Barbara Collazo
Robert Collazo
Shelia Crow
David Daniel
Laurie Diaz
Jackie Dickerson
Kirbi Dlouhy
Russell Dominquez

Lawrence DuFrain
Quintin Dubec
Jason East
Gayle Elms
Darrell Espinoza
Chris Frank
Bettie Frederick
Eric Gage
James Gamez
Joel Gamez

Juan Garcia
Gracia Gardner
Tracy Gardner
Beverly Garza
Edward Garza
Regina Gipson
Derek Gonzales
Gracie Gonzales
Gregoria Gonzales
Leroy Gonzales

Terry Gordon
Brooke Graham
Elizabeth Gutierrez
Kerry Harrison
Angelina Hathaway
Ellen Hejl
Deborah Herms
Raymond Herrera
Holly Hortenstine
Lisa Huff

Sharrah Huff
Kevin Hurta
Larry Ivey
Carla James
Amy Janke
Tonya Jefferson
Frederick Johnson
Lori Jones
Willie Jones
Michael Juarez



SOPHOMORES

Sophs Get Rowdy



What did being a sophomore mean to most of us? Well, now that we had matured a year, we no longer had to sit back and be quiet because we had finally made it a step higher in the ladder of success at THS; we were sophomores now, and ready for our voices to be heard. And that we were; we had an enormous amount of enthusiasm and energy, especially at the pep-rallys, and we loved to show our school spirit and support the mighty Ducks.

This year to raise money for our class, we held a powder-puff football game. We played the freshman and beat them. Then we had to play the final game against the seniors; we creamed them, and boy, were we proud.

We found another advantage to being a sophomore. Most of us no longer needed to bum rides at lunch or after school. Most of us had gotten our licenses, and some of us were even lucky enough to have our own cars. This was our ticket to freedom. Now we thought we could go just about anywhere the upperclassmen went. At least we tried. "For those who didn't have a car, we always managed to pile in with those friends who did," said Wendy Vrana. We ended the year with many great accomplishments and some new and closer friendships. It was sad to leave, but we couldn't wait for next year to set and achieve new goals.

Supporting the Ducks, Clayton Rhoades waves his spirit towel vigoriously.

Receiving an award from the cheerleaders, Kevin Hurta shows his spirit by being totally green.







Showing off their first place trophy from the Powder Puff Football game, the sophomores are excited about having beat the senior girls.

Sandy Juranek
Nicole Kallus
Michael King
Carolyn Koehler
Mark Kokes
Melissa Kolinek
Kristie Kruse



Gidgit Lackland
Coleen Leschber
Taffany Lewis
Chad Lincoln
David Lloyd
Gail Lockhart
Jeana Lopez



Soloman Lopez
Jay Luna
Monica Machu
Guadalupe Macias
Will Manning
Isodore Marak
Denise Martinez



Crystal Marx
Christie Mayer
Chrissy McCullough
Darby McClean
Shanna Michna
Darrell Mikulencak
Tammy Moeller



Nicole Mohel
Stacy Morales
Petra Moreno
Patricia Morin
Melissa Mott
Leann Mueller
Craig Naiver



Justin Newsom
Jeannee Ng
Kevin O'Connell
Solomon Olivarez
Matthew Ornelas
Jessica Ortiz
Barton Payne



Rick Pfeil
Shawn Pitts
Marcus Pope
John Posey
Spencer Potter
Clayton Rhoades
Joshua Roberts



SOPHOMORES



Kristina Roberts
Sophia Rodgiquez
Sharon Rosipal
Scott Safarik
Roy Sanchez
Eufemio Sanchez
Angela Sanford

Ronald Schaeffer
Jason Schitoskey
Aaron Schoenrock
Jerry Selucky
Michael Shirk
Marcy Sladek
Melanie Spurgeon

Sandra Stefek
Carl Strand
Audrey Taylor
Edwin Taylor
Emily Taylor
Carla Terry
Lonnie Terry

Philip Tharp
Tanya Thomas
Steven Tikeldoom
Brenda Torres
Jennifer Tschoerner
Jason Turner
Thomas Turner

Lisa Vasquez
Travis Volek
Wendy Vrana
Becky Wiggins
Melissa Williams
Stephanie Williams
Tina Woods

Gerald Wright
Paula Wuensche
Arthur Yanez
Elida Yanez
Gracie Yanez
Debbie Zachary
Craig Zimmerhanzel

SOPHOMORES

Sophs In Action



Posing at Rivera's Leann Mueller, Wendy Vrana, Brooke Graham, Marcy Sladek, Monica Machu, and Shanna Michna make the most of lunch time.



Studying hard Travis Volek, Mark Kokes, and Will Manning prepare for their upcoming test.



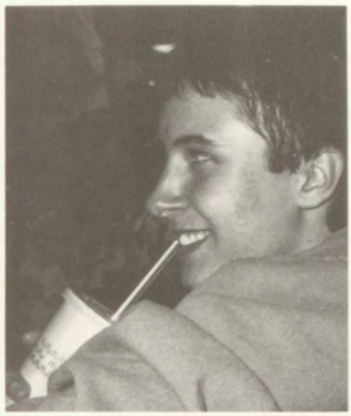
Resting of the sidelines are: Gracia Gardner, Gracie Gonzales, Sharrah Huff, Tonya Jefferson, Brooke Graham, and Melanie Spurgeon.



Cheering his fellow classmates on to a victory in the powder football game, David Daniel shows us his support.









Waiting to see the varsity football boys off to the play off, sophomores Wendy Vrana, Tammy Moeller, Marcy Sladek, Shanna Michna, Monica Machu, Brooke Graham, Christy Caldwell, Denice Gonzales, and Andy Gonzelez hold their spirit sign.

Drinking soda water, Darrell Mikulencak relaxes during lunch.

Waiting for the beginning of a pep rally, Lori Jones and Carolyn Koehler pass the time talking.



Exposing their hidden feminine qualities, Kevin Hurta and Craig Naiver pose after the Mr./Miss Pageant.



Coaching his girls, Craig Naiver gathers the girls for last minute instructions.










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ON OUR WAY



Walking across the gym, Heath Talley escorts Misti Caesar at the Hi-Stepper Spring Show.



Sitting in the Student Center, Candy Kallus, Keli Krhovjak, Stephanie Roznavak, Adria Hill, Stacy Mehevec, and Tammy Reithmayer wait patiently for the bell to ring while enjoying some catch-up conversation.



Practicing for Hi-Steppers, Stacy Mehevec and Adria Hill really hope they can be a part of this group.



Cheering at the Homecoming pep rally, Dana Mohel prepares the team for victory. Freshmen cheerleaders were often asked to cheer at varsity pep rallies.





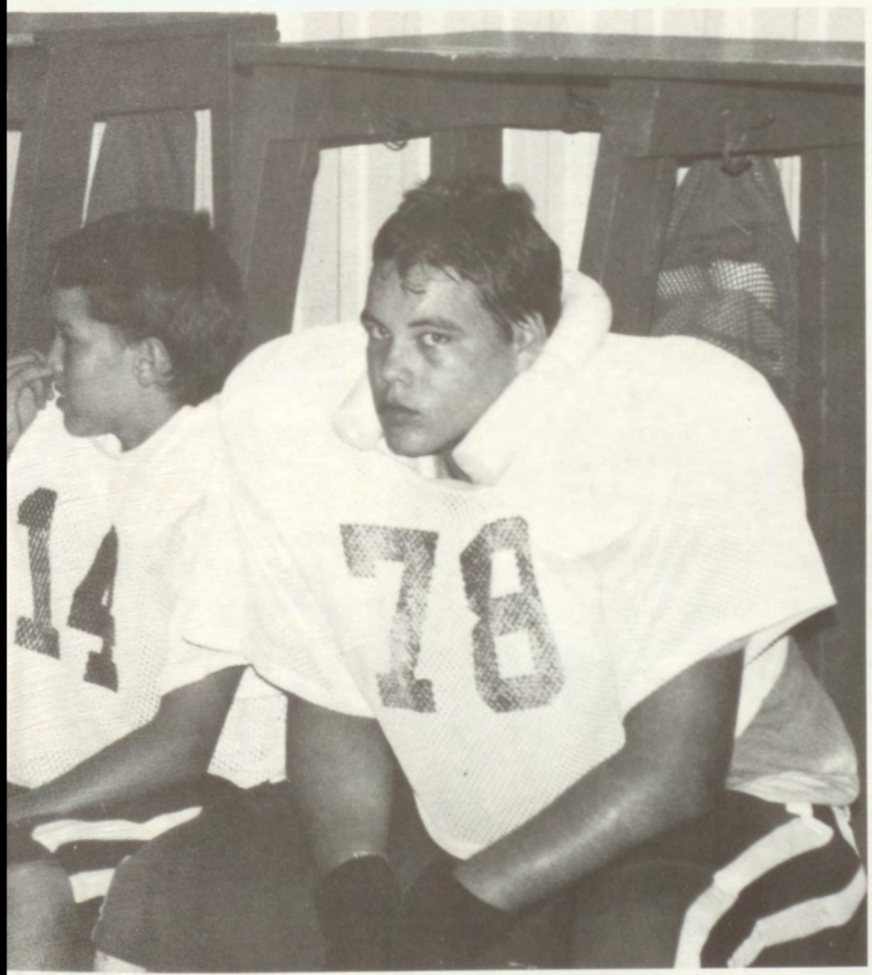


Hanging out in the Student Center gave us a time to look over the upperclassmen and meet with our friends.

Sporting their Duck pride, some of the freshmen football players look on as one of the coaches builds spirit at Homecoming pep rally.



Searching for their mums, Anna Flores and Sonya Harrison anxiously look forward to their first high school Homecoming. This was just one of the many new activities that the freshmen had to look forward to as they made their way through this part of their lives. This was an exciting time with so many new experiences.





Signing up for a class office, Molly Griffith and a friend are already excited about the upcoming year.

Anticipating the upcoming game, Eric Rowe, David Koonce, and Bo Mucha anxiously discuss the chances of their winning. As they plan strategy, David wipes the nervous perspiration from his upper lip.

James Alderete
Melissa Alderete
Denise Aldridge
Brian Aldridge
Johnny Aleman
Jesse Alvarado



Jessica Alvarado
Danielle Anderson
Jason Bagby
Esteban Barron
Bobbie Boelen
John Buchanan



Misti Caesar
Cindy Callahan
Frankie Camacho
Jessica Carranza
Teresa Chavana
Charles Clark



Amy Click
Kelly Cmerek
Shelly Collins
Nicole David
Stephanee Davis
Clayton Davisson



Jesse Delgado
Kevin Demps
Jackie Dickerson
Raymond Elizondo
Teri Engle
Latonya Ephraim



Jose Esquivel
Sidney Felfe
Brian Fikac
Frank Fisher
Anna Flores
Cindy Flores



John Flores
Jason Fryer
Dorothy Gadison
Robin Gamble
Adam Garcia
Albert Garcia



FRESHMAN

First Year Out

The incoming freshmen were in for a few good surprises upon their arrival at Taylor High School. They found that they had more privileges than they had in middle school. Likewise, there were more activities and organizations to join, more friends to make and more time to have fun. Actually, high school was a lot more than they bargained for.

"Coming to Taylor High was exciting because we were unprepared as to how people would treat us, but we had the support of a lot of friends who helped a great deal," stated Sidney Felfe.

When the freshmen came to high school, we figured they would be like typical "fish" — always under our feet and always acting immature. Much to our pleasant surprise, however, it turned out to be the total opposite. This year's freshmen class impressed us all. We couldn't believe how mature they really were. I wondered, as I considered this situation, if we had seemed that mature to our upperclassmen?

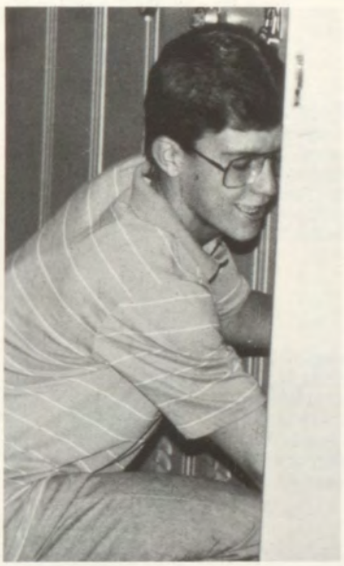


Listening to the Young Life message, Molly Griffith, Tonya Potts, Stephanie Roznovak, Yvette Maruska sit quietly.

Listening to the coach, Javier Nunez and Eric Wagner learn a new play.







Searching through his locker, Brian Schmidt looks for his Algebra book.

Preparing for the pep rally, some of the freshmen get excited.



Carlos Garcia
Hector Garcia
Juanita Garcia
Lisa Garcia
Luis Garcia
Albert Garza
Amy Garza

Damiana Garza
Cal Gilbert
Cindy Gonzales
Cynthia Gonzales
Leroy Gonzales
Gordon Graham
Todd Grandjean

Curtis Gray
Elizabeth Griffith
Molly Griffith
Vincent Gutierrez
Julie Hargrove
Sonya Harrison
Clayton Haverland

Bobby Henderson
Labrea Henly
Connie Herrera
Roy Lee Higgin
Adria Hill
Kimberly Hill
Kenneth Hines

Sheila Hopson
Shawntaivia Hornsby
Elizabeth Horise
Lora Hunderburgh
Dwayne Hyzak
Nelson Irving
Mark Jackson

Lisa Jefferson
Candy Kallus
Diana Kidwell
Austin Kingsbery
Tammy Kanarsky
David Koonce
Keli Krohovjak

Andres Leal
Eric Lener
Clayton Leschber
Matthew Leschber
Nikki Lewis
Andrew Lopez
Sonia Lopez

FRESHMEN



James Loving
Tracy Lundy
Juan Macias
Jason Manning
Samantha Martin
Gilbert Martinez

Vincent Martinez
Yvette Maruska
Donna Massar
Midhu Matthews
Sherry Mays
Chad McMakin
Stacy Mehevec

Kristi Mills
Dana Mohel
Joe Moldinhour
Kevin Monroe
Marcia Moore
Cindy Mora
Zachary Morales

Concepcion Moreno
Heidi Mott
David Mucha
Christina Murdock
Kathleen Nemec
Shannon Newsom
Mark Nunez

Carl O'Bier
Mary Olguin
Rose Marie Olivarez
Lee Pachicano
Todd Parsons
Elizabeth Perez
Melissa Perez

Chelle Pitts
Tonya Potts
Kevin Preuss
Kendall Prinz
Roman Ramirez
Elisha Randle
Tammi Riethmayer

Cherlita Robertson
Frank Rodriguez
Hector Rodriguez
Carlos Rojas
Socorro Rojas
Eric Rowe
Shawn Rowley

FRESHMEN



Stephanie Roznovak
Manuel Ruiz
DeAnna Sandoval
Patricia Salazar
Anna San Miguel
Bennie Sanchez



Tim Sandoval
Bryan Schmidt
Charles Schneider
Kristy Shiller
Debra Simien
Ruby Siminez



Michael Simmons
Sterling Simms
Kevin Skrhak
Jason Sladek
Shawntell Smith
Craig Stenholm



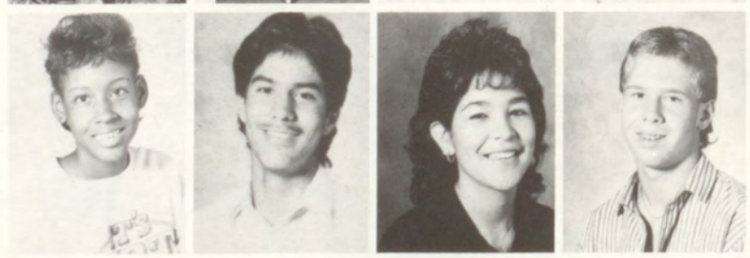
Jeremy Stone
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Jason Talley
Tanique Taylor
Megan Tennill



Angela Terry
Carla Terry
Alfred Torres
Chad Urbis
James Valchar
Jason Valdez



Stephanie Volek
Jason Vogel
Eric Wagoner
Shonda Walton
Steven Wolbrueck
Reyna Wooldridge



Lucille Wright
Javier Yanez
Margie Zavala
Matthew Zeplin

FRESHMAN



Enjoying the game, Sidney Felfe, Brian Schmidt, and Craig Stenholm show some freshmen spirit.

Singing along, Misti Caesar and Keli Krhovjak enjoy the activities of Young Life group sessions.





Resting after a strenuous workout, some of the freshmen girls think about their plays for the powder puff football game.

Waiting for the football game to start, some of the freshmen sit patiently while their friends perform on the field.



James Bartosch
David Bates
Susan Betak
Emerson Brister
Rachel Burklow
Johnny Cole
Kathleen Cole



Ken Cooper
John Crow
Rosa Delgado
Beth Foley
Jeannie Hill
Sharon Hill
Ellen Hodon



Cliff Ivicic
Mary Kalbaugh
Joan Krhovjak
Sid Krhovjak
Stan Kubicek
Perry Kuebel
Doug Kuhl



Harold Kurtz
Eddy Lankford
Barbara Leschber
Velma Loeve
Odessa Mackey
Shirley Manning
Martha Miller



Susan Monds
Jim Nabhan
Priscilla Parsons
Naomi Pasemann
Pam Peckar
Charles Pool
Danny Potts



Carl Price
Pat Rogers
Dixie Ross
Kaye Schaefer
Alex Sanchez
Dixie Seaquist
Jeanne Sherry



Carol Sutton
Marilyn Tennill
Pat Tone
Dannie Volek
Gail Whittaker
Donna Woodard
Debbie Young



LEADERS ONE AND ALL



Teacher of the Year: Danny Potts

An average day in the counselor's office?





Posing with the day's batch of pheasants, Eddy Lankford and Jeff Krueger are proud of their accomplishments during a day of relaxation.

Stopping to answer a question asked during a lucheon party, Dixie Ross always proved a valuable source of information about standardized tests as well as math.

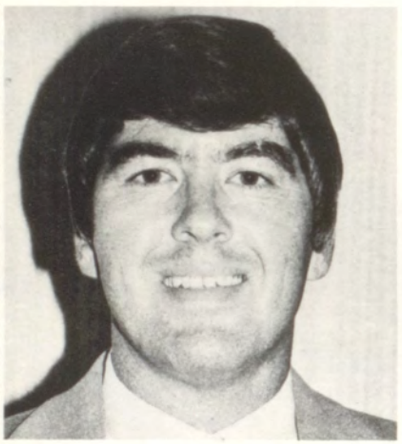




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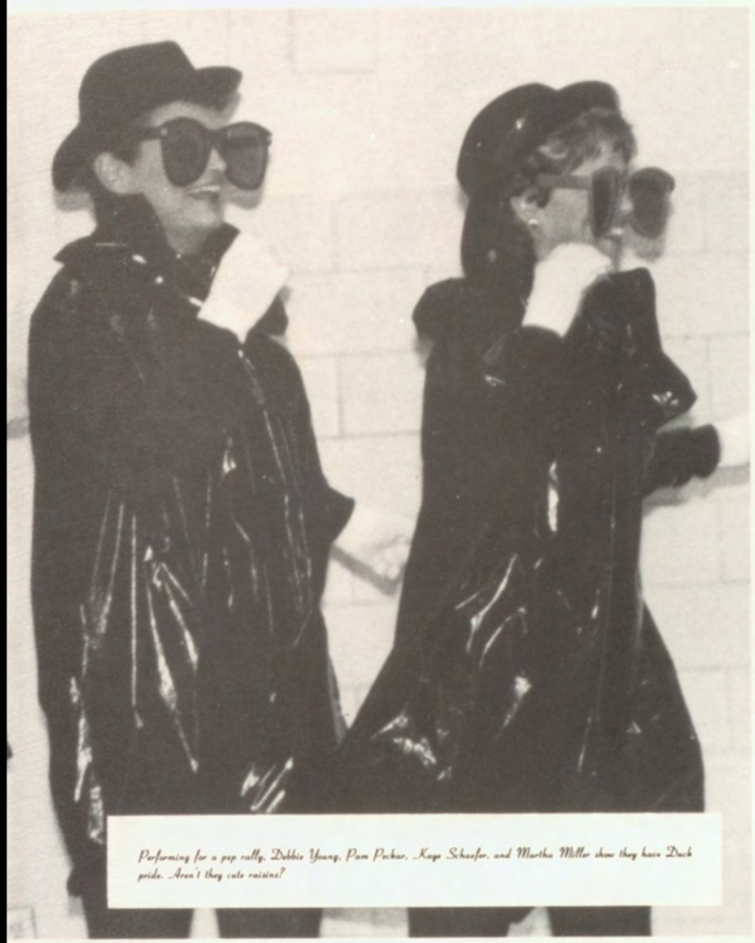




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Talking to students about school spirit, Rachel Burklaw stresses the necessity of participation.



Performing for a pep rally, Debbie Young, Pam Parker, Kaye Schaefer, and Martha Miller show they have Duck pride. Aren't they cute raisins?



Having fun with or without students, Pat Tone, Freddie Tevrazas, Sharon Hill and Mary Kalbaugh each participate in school and faculty events.





Superintendent
Mike Caplinger



Joining the staff, James Bartosch joins in the fun to build school spirit.

Wayne Schroeder watches intently as Coach Doug Kuhl listens to comments from the pressbox.

Participating in the 1st annual THS golf tourney, Jeanne Cherry and Liz Klar take off to begin the last hole.

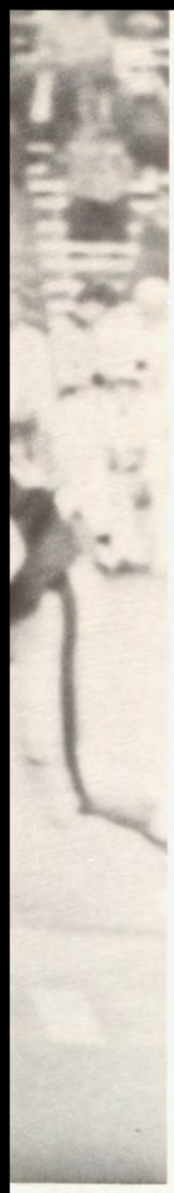




Handing off to Brian Winkler ,Augie Lopez, as well as the rest of the team, execute a play during a playoff game at Kyle Field against Tomball.

Getting set in the blocks , Tammie Williams carefully places her fingers along the starting line during a track meet.







THE SWEET SMELL OF SUCCESS

If we could describe this year's athletic season in one word, it would be "success." Win or lose, we exceled in every sport while displaying our sportsmanship and Taylor Duck pride. The coaches, as well as the fans, were always there to lend support to the team whenever it was needed.

We made it through the long, hot practices sweating and gasping for air to be the best at what we did. The hard work and dedication were all worth it because we proved that we could work together as a team to succeed. As long as the Taylor Ducks continue their winning tradition, they will be known and respected for many years to come anywhere they compete.

All of the trophies, awards, and recognition we received were proof to ourselves and to others that we are winners, and the bumps, broken bones, bruises, scratches, and pulled muscles were the price we all had to pay. We just felt fortunate that we all were able to play the sport or sports that we chose, to have been able to use our arms, legs, eyes, ears, and minds. In return for our talents, we knew we had to remain intelligent, healthy, strong, drug-free athletes in order to keep our bodies and minds in good physical and mental condition. After all, we all knew that becoming #1 was easier than remaining #1 and that they only place that success came before work was in the dictionary.



Receiveing congratulations from the team , Roosevelt Williams crosses home plate after hitting one of his many homeruns.



Gliding through the air with the greatest of ease ,Regina Wright leaps past a defender to make an easy lay-up.

ADDING A FINAL TOUCH

From the beginning, we knew we wanted this to be the very best football year yet. As seniors, we wanted to make this year a memorable one. With much determination, hard work and talent, we made it to the play-offs. The season turned out successful with a district record of 9-1. Because of a loss to Waco Midway, we went into the play-offs as co-district champs. We wanted to go all the way to state; we felt as though we had what it takes. We failed, however,to win our play-off game against Tomball at Kyle Field with a score of 23-13. We had played our very best, and we knew we had still accomplished our goal of making it a year to remember. We knew with all our accomplishments we had made everyone proud of us — our fans, our coaches, our families, and most of all — ourselves. From this moment on, we knew this year was going to be anything but ordinary; we would see to that.



Talking out the play , Matthew Pearson and Jason Ball prepare to take their opponents by surprise in an effort to boost the score.





Listening to a pep talk from Coach Cole , Jerrod Sanford sits down to take a break from the game.



Seeking to destroy , Raymond Chavan, Todd Mucha, Shannon Morales, John Gipson and Matthew Pearson close in on Tomball.





Waiting for the play to be sent in , Todd Mucha, John Gipson, Jason Ball, Jodie Vanecek, and Steven Parades take a semi breather between plays.

Scores

Georgetown	28-7
Rockdale	14-0
Lampassas	42-3
Belton	28-14
Waco Univ.	33-14
Pflugerville	17-8
Bastrop	13-0
Leander	14-3
Waco Midway	13-14
Del Valle	35-0









Watching anxiously, Gerald Anderson, Augie Lopez, and Robert Frederick stand on the side-line to catch their breath.

Rolling out , Jason Ball and Augie Lopez attempt to complete a pass as their opponents look on in wonder at their skill.

Dancing through the line , Robert Frederick displays his speed and quickness.

Waiting for the signal from the sideline , the defensive sqaud is anxious to start the play.



Well Worth the Effort

From the very beginning of our August two-a-day practices, we knew we had what it took to make not only a good football team, but we had what it took to make a great football team. Both of our teams were loaded with talented atheletes and led by very capable coaches, but we knew that it took more than that to create a district championship. "It was a lot of hard work, but we kept looking ahead and never gave up," said J.V. tackle Will Manning.

A great deal of work went into preparing for our Thursday night performances. It all started in early August with two gruelling practices a day in the hot, steaming sun to get into shape and relearn our positions. The hard work continued all through the year with long, hard practices after school and off season work continuing all year long.

Ultimately, the Junior Varsity squad enjoyed a perfect season as they swept through the district. The Freshmen team also posted a winning season for the year as they finished 6-3 for the year and took their only district losses from Waco University and Waco Midway.

It wasn't easy having a winning season; so many things had to come together and even luck played an important part. But as Dwayne Hyzak said, "It was a lot of hard work, but it was worth the effort."



Staying cool under pressure, Derek Gonzales passes the ball to one of his receivers.

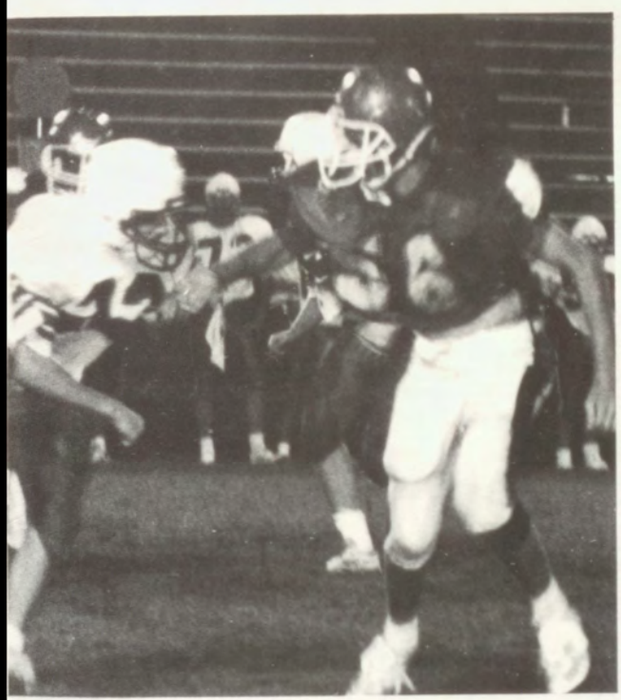
J.V. Football Team Members are: (1st Row) Coach Price, Craig Naivar, Derek Gonzales, Solomon Olivares, Chris Cook, Justin Newsom, James Valchar, Mark Steger,Coach Bartosh. (2nd Row) Allen Brown, Gene Cladwell, Donovan Wilson, Chris Schoaf, Chris Frank, John Posey, Willie Jones. (3rd Row) Toby Branson, Tracy Gardner, Shannon Rowley, Larry Ivey, Russell Dominguez, David Lloyd, Gerald Wright, Michael Shirk. (4th Row) Coach Cole, Frederick Johnson, Michael Buchanan, Shawn Pitts, Clayton Rhoades, Chris Carrizales, John Michael Juarez, Darrell Espinoza, Coach Potts. (5th Row) Jason Jansky, Matthew Ornelas, Robert Collazo, James Gamez, Will Manning, Ricky Pfiel, Leland Newsom, Edward Garza. (6th Row) Paul Schlesinger, Darby Mc Lain, Carl Tealer, Larry Dufrain, and Chad Lincoln.



Turning up the field, Heath Talley heads for the end zone.

SCORES

	J.V.	Fish
Georgetown	23-0	26-0
Rockdale	22-14	12-0
Lampassas	27-8	24-6
Belton	33-14	33-0
Waco University	26-7	0-12
Pflugerville	28-12	8-6
Bastrop	21-0	6-0
Leander	34-0	13-0
Waco Midway	27-6	29-32
Del Valle	47-0	35-0







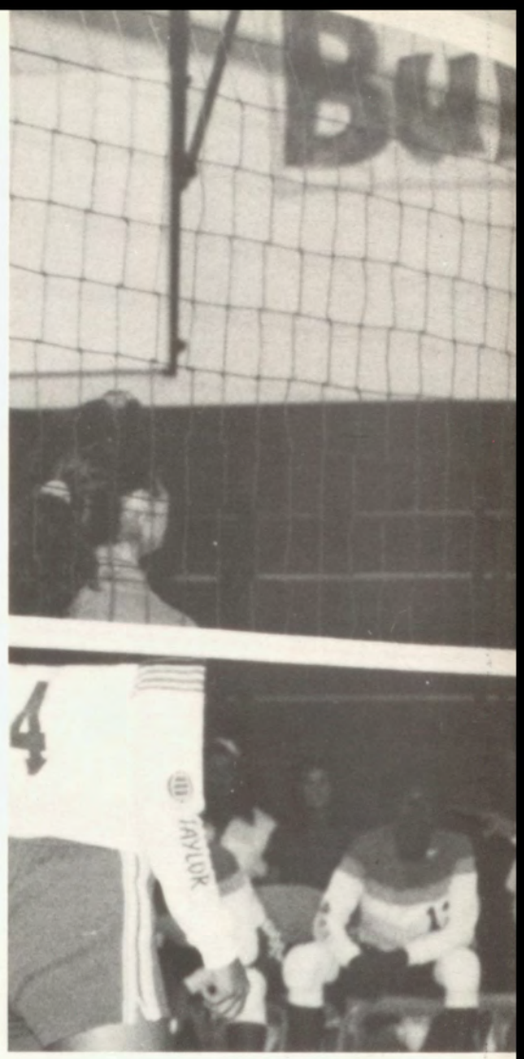
Preparing to make a block, Michael Shirk goes for his opponent.

Lining up against the Cardinal offense, Todd Parsons, Eric Wagner, Bo Mucha, and Austin Kingsberry prepare to hit 'em hard.

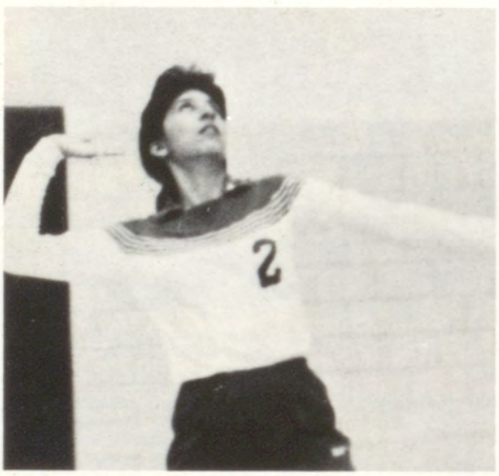
Freshmen Football Team Members are: (1st Row) Joe Mendez, Brian Schmidt, Austin Kingsberry, Dwayne Hyzak, Raymond Elizondo, Shaun Rowley. (2nd Row) Heath Talley, Kevin Demps, Curtis Gray, Mark Jackson, Craig Stenholm, Manny Ruiz, Chad McMakin, Clayton Leschber. (3rd Row) Vincent Martinez, J.T. Stone, Brian Aldridge, Nelson Irving, Sidney Felfe, Charlie Mikulencak, Jesse Delgado, Charles Harris, James Jenkins. (4th Row) Todd Parsons, Darren Baker, Bo Mucha, Eric Wagner, Javier Yanez, Eric Rowe, Matthew Leschber, Concepcion Moreno.

Scores

Waco University	15-10, 15-6
Pflugerville	6-15, 7-15
Bastrop	15-0, 15-5
Leander	10-15, 9-15
Midway	15-9, 5-15, 4-15
Del Valle	15-5, 15-8
Belton	13-15, 15-13, 15-4
Waco University	15-3, 13-7
Pflugerville	6-15, 15-6, 15-10
Bastrop	18-16, 17-15
Leander	15-8, 6-15, 8-15
Midway	5-15, 9-15
Del Valle	15-10, 16-14



Blocking the ball , Stephanie Martin shows her skill as her opponents watch her anxiously.

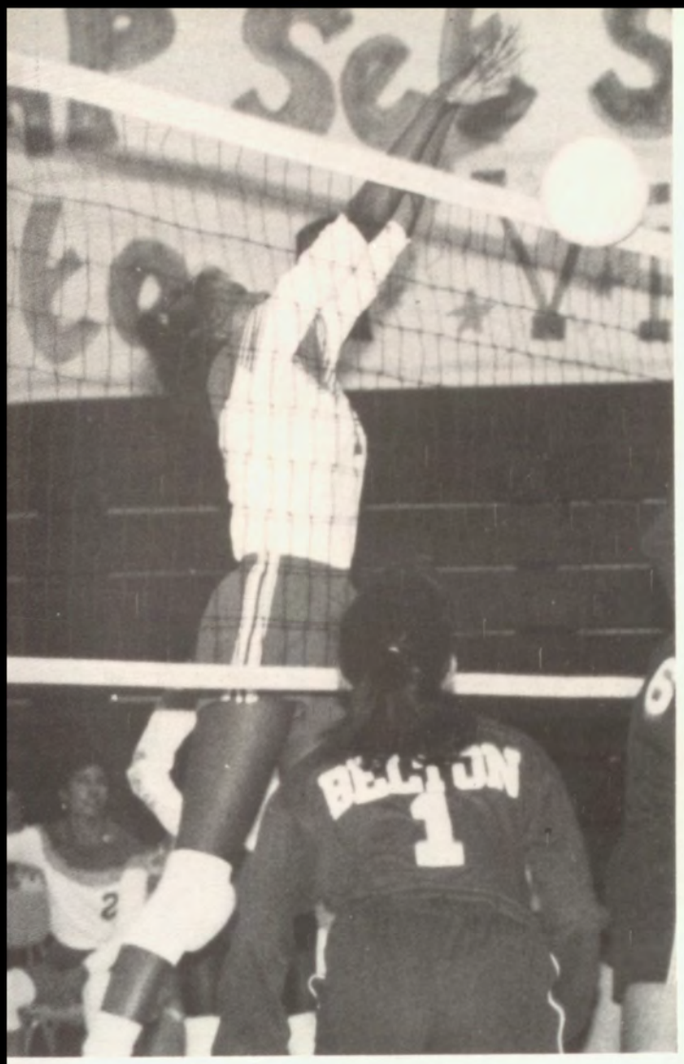


Serving the ball , Angela Perez gets ready to slam it over the net in hopes of catching her opponents off guard.

Jumping up to block the ball , Stephanie Wright attempts to keep the opponent from making a needed point.







A Year of Ups & Downs

Our season opened with plenty of ups and downs. Although we had some impressive victories, they were intermixed with a few discouraging defeats. It wasn't until our own invitational tournamnet that we really began to hit our stride, taking first place and kicking off a seven game winning streak. Unfortunately, our momentum slowly dissipated during mid-season, but we worked hard to maintain an even record.

As the district began, we were again inspired by the possibility of a play-off. Again, we came on strong during the beginning and mid-point of district play only to falter at the finish. Despite our disappointments, we ended the season in fourth place with a record of nine and five in district competition and seventeen and nine overall. Angela Perez best summed up the season: "Although we didn't have a winning season, it was a lot of fun because we all worked together."

Duck Volleyball Members are: (Bottom Row, left to right) Managers, Gracia Gardner, Brenda Torres, Waddles, Angela Jackson, and Peggy Dominguez. (Back Row, left to right) Cheryl Chapa, Sharrah Huff, Paula Lechler, Lynn Parker, Coach Liz Klar, Stephanie Wright, Angela Perez, Debbie Canales, and Cindy Ruiz.







Preparing to go out on the court, Cindy Ruiz, Cristi Hamann, Lynn Parker, and Stephanie Wright psyche themselves up for a big game.

Pivoting to backhand the ball, Cristi Hamann anticipates an excellent shot as Stephanie Wright looks on in relief.

Scores

	J.V.	Fish
Belton	15-1, 15-7	15-0, 15-6
University	15-6, 15-13	15-8, 15-9
Pflugerville	15-12, 15-5	12-15, 14-16
Bastrop	15-6, 15-8	15-4, 15-3
Leander	11-15, 15-6	15-8, 15-8
Midway	12-15, 15-6,	15-7
Del Valle	15-2, 15-12	15-2, 14-16, 15-17 15-7
Belton University	15-10, 15-9 15-3, 15-2	15-6, 12-15, 15-1
Pflugerville	15-10, 15-3	15-6, 15-7
Bastrop	7-15, 15-10,	15-0, 11-15
Leander	12-15, 5-15	15-2 17-15, 16-14
Midway	1-13, 15-9	15-13,15-7
Del Valle	15-10, 15-2	13-15 15-12, 8-15, 15-5 15-4, 15-12 14-16, 9-15



Approaching the net thoughtfully, Regina Wright prepares to spike the ball as Carla James, Sharon Rosipal, and Betty Frederick look on.



Proposing a toast to their teammates, Jenny Simmons and Sharon Rosipal urge their fellow Ducks on to victory.

Duck Freshmen Players are: (Back row left to right):Peggy Dominquez, (Manager),Shonda Walton, Latanya Ephram, Tanya Potts, Coach Liz Klar, Lisa Jefferson, Lucille Wright, Debra Semien, Gracia Gardner,(Manager). (Front row left to right): Brenda Torres,(Manager), Damiana Garza, Stacey Mehevec, Waddles,Rena Wooldridge, Dana Mohel, Angela Sanford(Manager)







Nothing Felt Better

Winning was what it was all about. If we were winners, it didn't matter if we had sweat running in our eyes, or if we had tired, sore and aching muscles. If we were winners, staying that extra hour for practice didn't seem so bad either. After all, it was winning that made all those strenuous practices worthwhile in the first place. Winning made us feel good about ourselves and each other. When we felt good, we played good, and when we played good, we won. Nothing ever felt better than being number one.

As sub-varsity teams, everyone seemed to think of us as "second best." By the end of the season, however, we had proven that number two could also be number one if we wanted to, and we tried hard enough.

Practice made perfect, and as we got on a winning streak, our pride for each other grew stronger and stronger. When the trophy was handed to us, we knew for sure that nothing felt better than being #1!

Duck J.V. Players are: (Back row left to right): Brenda Torres (Manager), Sharon Rosipal, Jenny Simmons, Betty Frederick, Coach Liz Klar, Regina Gipson,Tanya Jefferson, Lisa Huff, Brooke Graham, Angela Sanford (Manager). (Front row left to right): Gracia Gardner (Manager), Gracie Gonzales, Carla James, Waddles, Jeana Lopez, Denise Gonzales, Peggy Dominguez (Manager).







Looking on, Regina Wooldridge and Damiana Garza watch as Lisa Jefferson returns the ball over the net.

Helping with the spirit line, Debra Simien, Tonya Potts and Shonda Walton cheer as Sharon Rosipal and Gracie Gonzales run through.





PROVEN PRIDE

No one needed to remind us that we had just lost a game. The silence of the dressing room spoke the enevitable fact. Still, losing a game wasn't going to cause us to lose our determination. Inside each of us there remained that strong desire to be a winning team. Right then and there we made up our mind that we were going to succeed. It took hard work, but we pulled it off.

The Pflugerville tournament brought our spirits back up to a confident level. As we prepared for this competition, our workouts became more intense; our determination to win became our inspiration. Yet, as if to say, "It's not if you win, but how you play the game," the most important factor of this tournament was to build our confidence. Finally, the tournament arrived, and our efforts had not been in vain. We emerged victorious winning two out of the three games that we played. Our confidence had been restored.

Aside from our victory at Pflugerville, our pride showed when our individual teammates were given special recognition. Matthew Pearson and Mark Tolbert were selected for the First String All-District Basketball Team. Finishing in good standing, we had proved to ourselves that as a young team of seven juniors and three seniors, we could be winners. We found ourselves already looking forward to next season; we are going to be dynamite!



Jumping for a shot , Matthew Pearson attempts assit his team by scoring.

Taking the ball away from the opponents ,Mark Tolbert directs the ball to his anxiously waiting teammmate.

Going up for the Taylor rebound , Michael Shirk tries to pass the ball to his teammates without interference from one of the opponents.



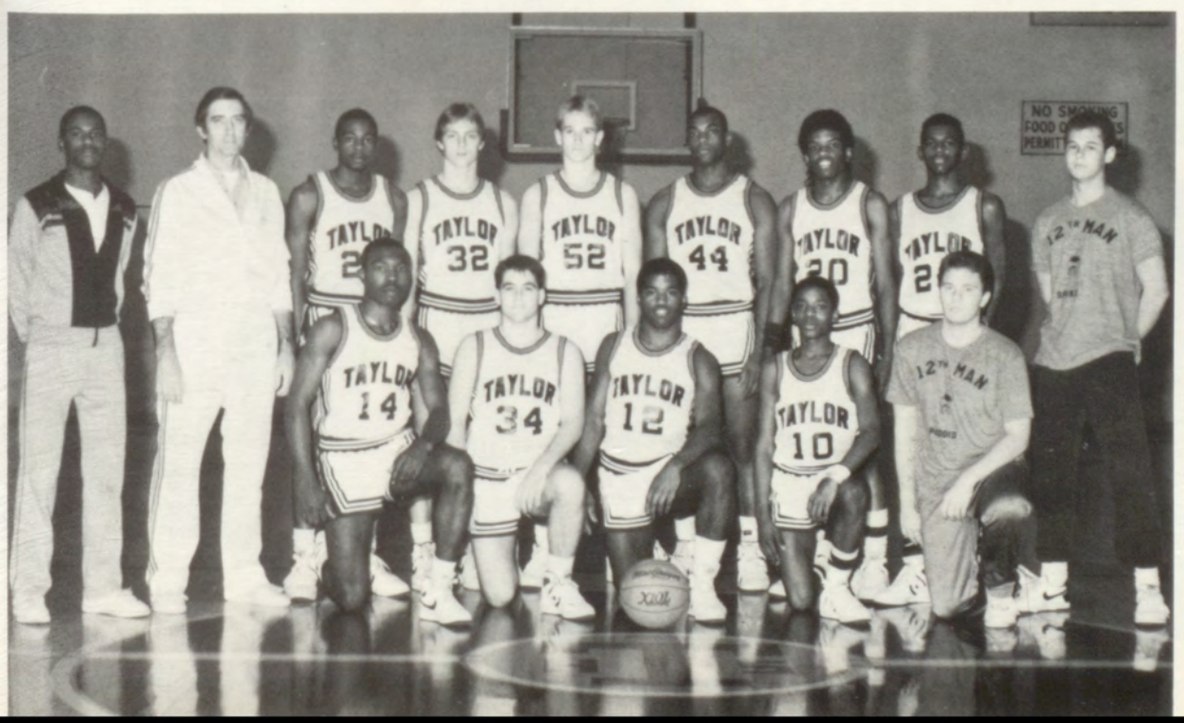
Dribbling around his opponent , Matthew Pearson attempts to pass to a teammate.

Scores

Opponents	District Scores
Waco University	40-43
Belton	35-85
Leander	45-47
Pflugerville	61-67
Bastrop	58-74
Del Valle	75-58
Midway	51-69
Waco University	62-57
Belton	60-63
Leander	71-81
Pflugerville	39-53
Bastrop	64-62
Del Valle	81-72
Midway	44-71
Season Record	17-12







Shooting for the Ducks ,Fred Barrel adds two points to his team's effort.

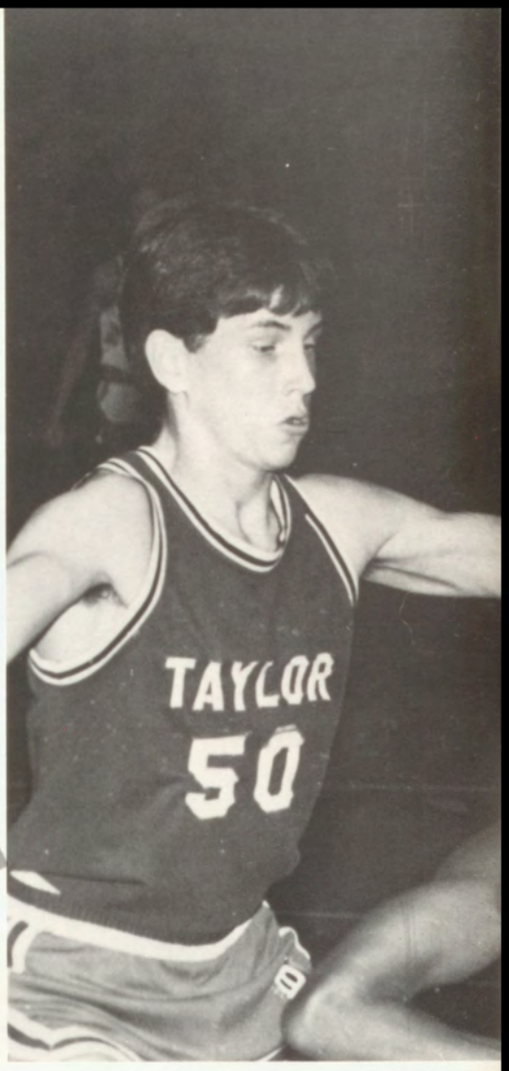
Scoring for the Ducks , Greg Broadnax adds another two points to help offset his opponents' efforts.

Members of the Taylor Varsity Ducks are: (FRONT ROW) Mark Tolbert, Todd Mucha, Jarrod Sanford, Steven Robinson, managerTodd Sladek. **(SECOND ROW)** ManagerPatrick Saterfield, Coach Cole, Fred Barrel, Leland Newsom, Michael Shirk, Matthew Pearson, Anthony Turner, Greg Broadnax, and manager Stephen Vorwerk.

Scores

District Record	8-6
Opponents	Scores
Waco University	63-54, 53-52
Belton	61-48, 66-65
Leander	61-59, 68-53
Pflugerville	59-47, 56-36
Bastrop	49-61, 36-48
Del Valle	37-68, 71-76
Midway	39-54, 57-59

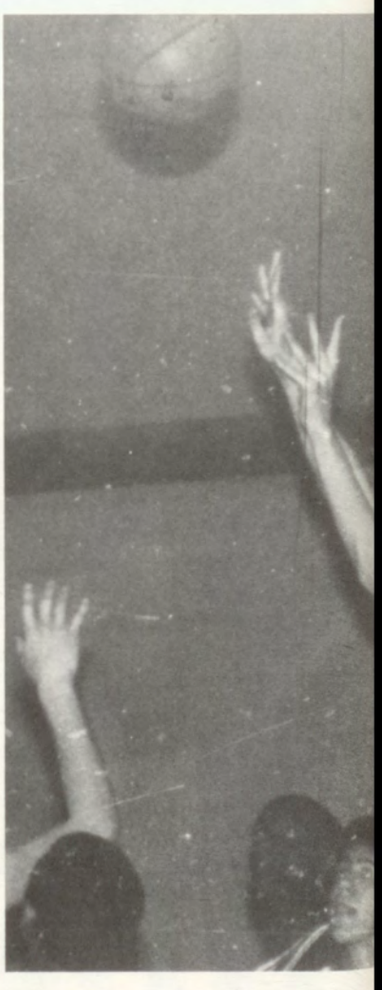
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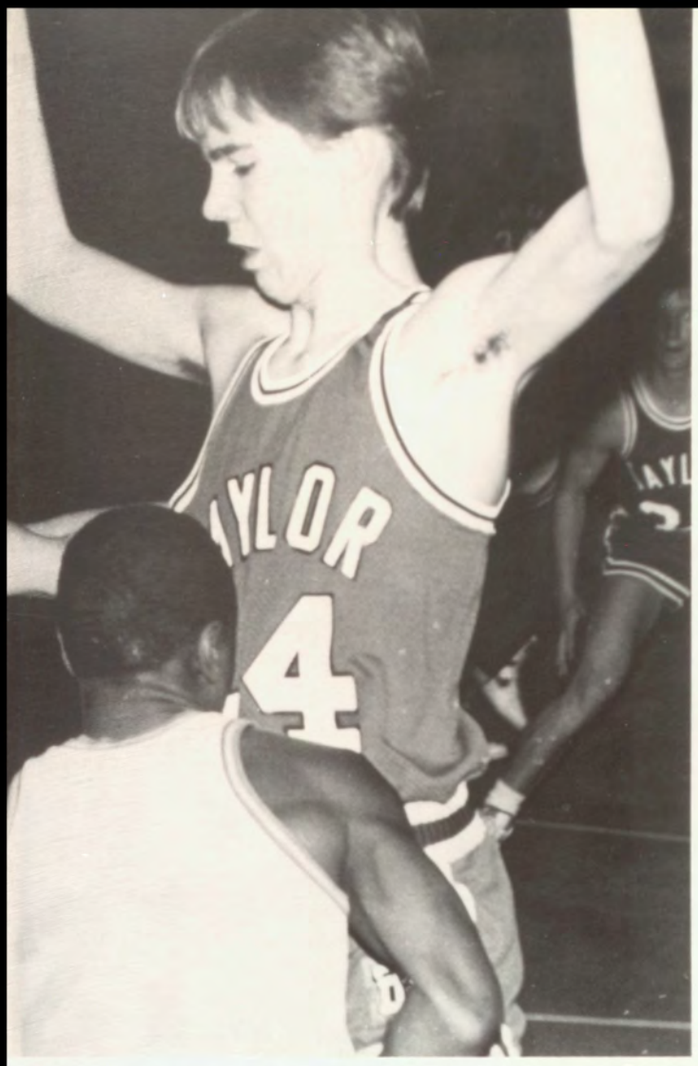


Blocking a pass ,Darby McLean attempts to keep his opponents away from a scoring vantage point.

Members of the Freshmen Team are: (FRONT ROW) Marc Jackson, Dwayne Hyzak, Luis Garcia, Chad McMakin, **(SECOND ROW)** Mark Nunez, Sterling Gipson, Javier Yanez, Matt Zeplinand Coach Wayne Schroeder.







A YEAR IN THE MAKING

Everyone realized that this season had been a good one. We had been better than we had been in a good while, and even though we had played hard teams, we always seemed to come out on top. "This year was extremely hard, but every hard practice paid off in the end", stated Russell Allen.

Even though we had a good year, there were times we failed to play to our best ability. "When we lost against Bastrop, our pride was hurt and then losing again didn't help our egos", stated Sean Harris.

Even though we had won more games than last year, our record still wasn't as good as we wanted at times. "We had more success than last year, but we still weren't very good", stated Toby Branson.

The season, however, ended with an impressive record, and we knew we had done very well for the most part. We also knew we would be even better next year.

Attempting to score , Darrell Mikulencak pushes the basketball toward the hoop as his fellow teammates watch anxiously.

Catching the basketball , Trey Bachmayer receives a pass in a fast action play.

Attempting to keep the opponent from passing , Brandt Rydell and Darby McLeansurround him to block his pass to another team member.







Members of the J.V. Team are: (FRONT ROW) Toby Branson, Kerri Harris, Juan Garcia, Trey Bachmayer, Jason Turner, Russell Allen, **(SECOND ROW)** Mark Kokes, Shane Kastroun, Rick Pfeil, Steven Thomas, Brandt Rydell, Darby McLean, Sean Harris, Darrell Mikulencak.

A RECORD BREAKING SEASON

The Lady Duck Basketball team had an outstanding season this year. The varsity girls impressed everyone with their remarkable playing ability. Not only did the girls have an incredible record of 24-4 for the year, but they set a record having the first "twenty win" season in the history of the Taylor girls' basketball program. The skills and talents of these girls did not go unnoticed as Regina and Stephanie Wright made First Team All District, and Tonya Jefferson was given All Honorable Mention. Regina Wright was also named to the Third Team All-State by the Texas Girls' Coach Association, Second Team All-State in the Amarillo Globe News, and All-Regional Team by Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

The junior varsity's season didn't quite compare to the varsity girl's accomplishments,however. The turnout for girls' Freshmen and J.V. basketball was less than expected causing the girls to form one junior varsity team. Taking into account that a great percentage of the team was freshmen, inexperienced at higher level action, the J.V. girls did considerably well, and they are looking forward to an outstanding season next year.



Varsity basketball members are: (FRONT ROW) Tonya Simien, Tonya Jefferson, Angela Perez, Sharrah Huff, **(SECOND ROW)** Coach Carl Price, Donna Baker, Stephanie Martin, Regina Wright, Stephanie Wright, and Coach Powell.

Dribbling past her opponent , Tonya Simien rushes hurriedly down the court.



Flying through the air , junior Regina Wright shows her abilities as she "goes for two."

Scores

*Partial list

Rockdale	46-36
Hearne	66-29
Westwood	42-38
Del Valle	66-50
Midway	52-59
Waco Univ.	69-39
Belton	79-30
P'Ville	54-56
Bastrop	44-18

RECORD 25-3







Racing down the court , Carla James dribbles toward the basket to make "2" points.

Waiting to see if the attempted shot is good , sophomore Deandra Barron and her opponent look on anxiously.

Junior Varsity members are: (FRONT ROW) Leanne Mueller, Tonya Potts, Carla James, Tammy Moeller, Dana Mohel, Latonya Ephraim, **(SECOND ROW)** Lucille Wright, Angela Terry, Regina Gipson, Deandra Barron, Bettie Frederick.

ACING THE SEASON WITH HIGH GOALS

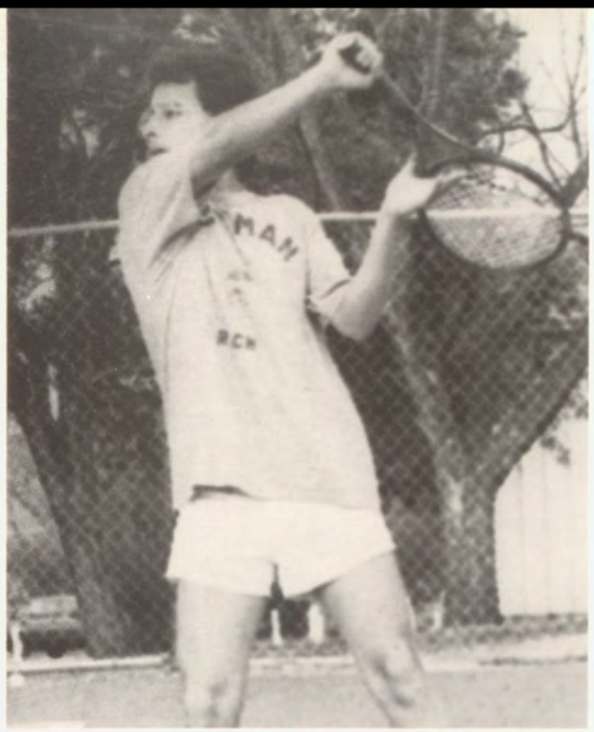
At the beginning of school during the fall, I noticed a change of attitude in Coach Bohls. It was long before tennis season, but I knew that he had already devised a new strategy to have a winning year. I was right; he did have a plan, a plan that involved not only our bodies, but our minds as well. He knew that in order to win big, we had to first think big. No sooner than our first practice, we met as a team to discuss our goals and intended achievements for the tennis season to come. We were excited about the year ahead , and we set our goals very high. At the conclusion of the meeting, we had decided that we would win the district team title, place at least fourth in every tournament, send everyone to regionals and someone to state. At that moment, practices became very intense and our tennis improved.

The days went by quickly, and soon enough, our goals became reality. We became the district team champs, placed in the top three of every tournament, and sent five players to regionals. Highlighting the year was the trip to state earned by Kim Winkler and Kristi Johnson. By setting our goals high at the very beginning, we achieved the best season THS tennis has had in years. Our challenge was for next year's team to set even higher goals. We were anxious to see what will happen.



Enjoying a moment of fun , the regional qualifiers take time out from an intense practice.

As a result of their recent district and regional performances , Kristi Johnson and Kim Winkler smile before the state tournament.



Pulling his racket back, Richard Gonzales prepares for the oncoming shot.

Results

District Team Champions

3rd-Temple Tournament
2nd-Taylor Optimist Tournamen
3rd-New Braunfels Tournament
1st-Corpus Christi Tournament
1st-Taylor Invitational
1st-District Girls Champs
1st-District Boys Champs







With his eyes on the ball, Robert Kollman concentrates on a strong return.

Swinging through the ball, Jeff Frankeny demonstrates good tennis form.

The 1987-1988 Taylor High School Varsity tennis team.

Scores

Cindy Ruiz and Deandra Barron — District
1st — Taylor Optimist
1st — Taylor
1st — Thrall
1st — New Braunfels
2nd

Nicole David and Sonya Harrison — District
2nd — Taylor Optimist
2nd — Taylor
2nd — Thrall
2nd

Nicole Baker — District
1st — Taylor
1st

Chris Cook — Taylor
1st

Molly Griffith
2nd

Stephanie Volek
2nd



Watching as her teammate Ellen Hejl returns a serve, Deandra Barron waits patiently for her turn.







Going for an ace, Molly Griffith reaches back to make an outstanding serve.

Showing the slice of his backhand, Chris Cook goes for a perfect winner.

Preparing to hit a killer slam, Nicole Baker gets ready to show. her opponent what she's made of.





THE REST OF US

"Varsity on courts one and two. The rest of ya'll just go hit on the other courts." This was a sentence well known to the JV tennis squad, better acknowledged as the "rest of us." Even though they couldn't practice on the high courts all the time, they still proved they were a force to be reckoned with at their tournaments.

For the second year in a row, the JV girls were district champions. They did this finishing a remarkable first and second in both singles and doubles. However, this wasn't exactly unusual, for the doubles teams of Ruiz-Barron and Harrison-David had duplicated the same feat in almost every tournament this year.

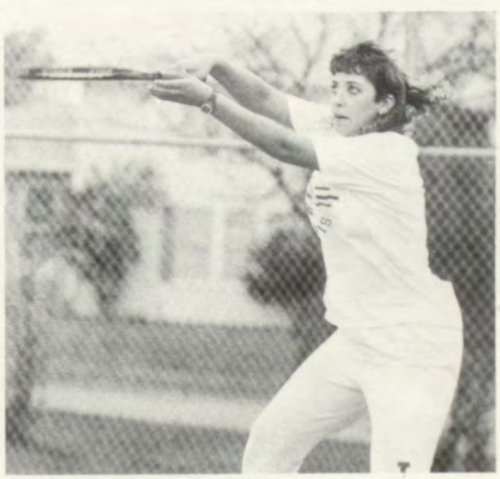
As for the guys, it was a semi-rebuilding year. Chris Cook and Kevin Hurta, the only players with high school experience on the guys' team, were the standouts and leaders of the team. Both fared well on the whole and helped the newcomers on the team get adjusted to the fast-paced, pressure-packed world of high school tennis.

Overall, the JV tennis team showed great prowess and a determination to win that reaped big rewards for team. Coach Rodney Bohls was extremely pleased with how they played even though he inadvertently referred to them as the "rest of ya'll." Possibly next year the members of the JV squad will be on courts one and two as the Varsity and someone else will fill the shoes and take on the appearance of the "rest of us."



Giving it his best , Gordon Graham practices his swing while Nicole Baker watches friends on another court.





The members of the JV tennis team are: (FRONT ROW) Todd Grandjean, C.W. Schneider, Clayton Rhoades, Kendell Prinz, Sidney Felfe and Kelly Cmerek, **(SECOND ROW)** Molly Griffith, Nicloe Baker, Cindy Ruiz, Deandra Barron, Nicole David, Sonya Harrison and Tammy Moeller, **(THIRD ROW)** Chrissy McCollough, Gordon Graham, Stephanie Volek, Devin Hurta, Chriss Cook, Tammy Reithmayer, Ellen Hejl, Megan Tenilland Coach Rodney Bohls.

Showing expert form , Deandra Barron smacks a backhand winner.

STRIVING FOR PERFECTION



This year the golf and cross country teams were small but dedicated. It was a tough season, but at the same time, it was enjoyable.

The golf team went to many tournaments,and although we didn't win first place, we did good for our small team made up of quite a few inexperienced players. Our coach, this year, Danny Potts, really helped perfect our golf skills, and most of all, he helped us attain a genuine interest in the sport.

The cross country team was also different this year. Since there was only six of us, we weren't able to go to very many meets. James Bartosh, our coach, helped us train, however, to get in shape for the long distances. Because this year was mainly a building year, we hope to see a bigger team next year.

Although golf and cross country are not as well known and supported as other sports, they are growing in numbers and our skills are improving. As we looked back, we saw that it had been a good year. With dedication, leadership and experience the years to come have a lot of potential.



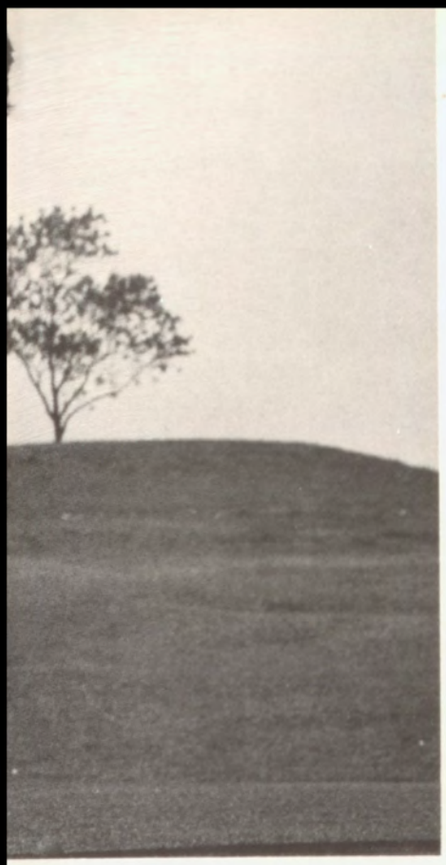
Lining the ball up for an interesting putt, Wade Krueger takes a couple of practice swings to see how the ball will roll.
Members of the Golf team are: (FRONT ROW) Brian Schmidt, Jamie West, Dana Mohel, Todd Parsons, **(SECOND ROW)** Russell Dominguez, Coach Potts, Will Manning and Wade Krueger

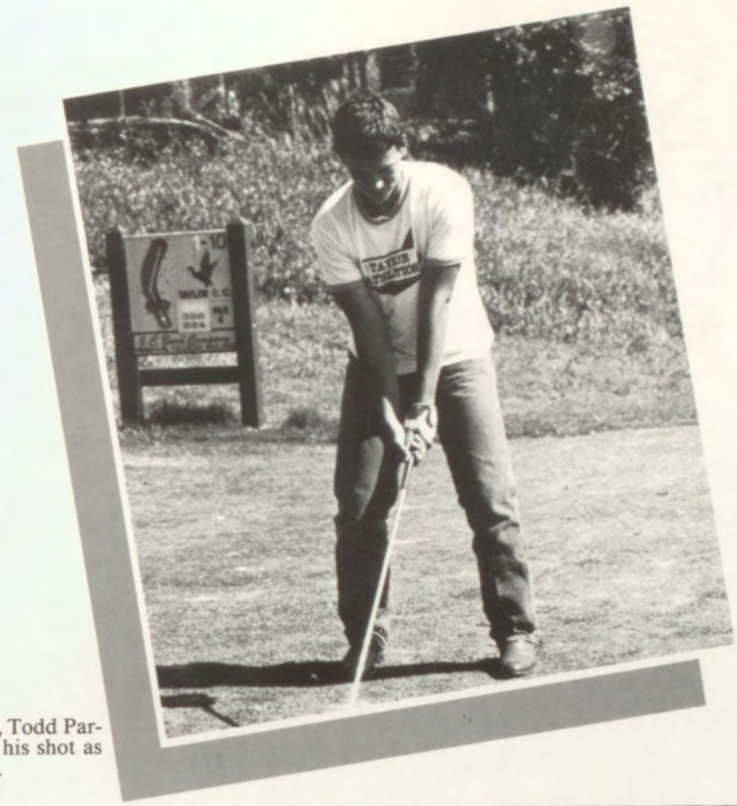


Making a practice shot , Jamie West watches where the ball will land so that she won't have to search for it.

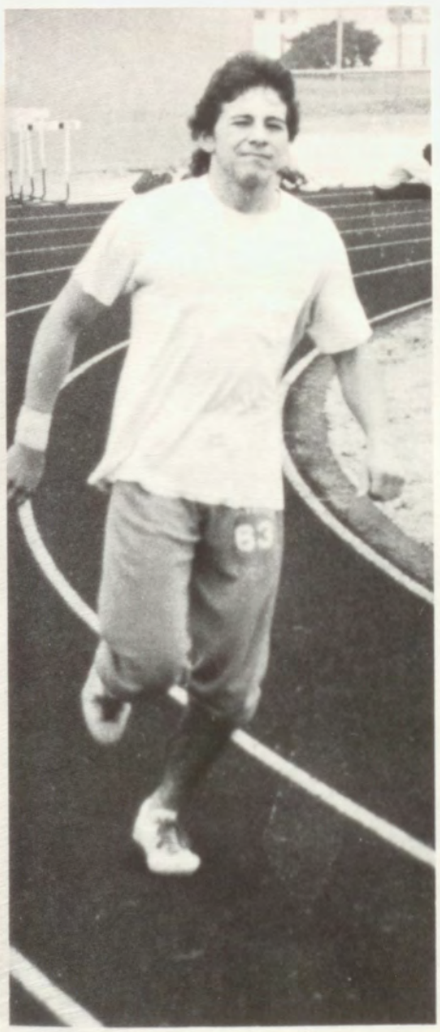


Taking a break from practice , Todd Parsons, Jamie West and Brian Schmidt have some fun in a wild ride in a golf cart.





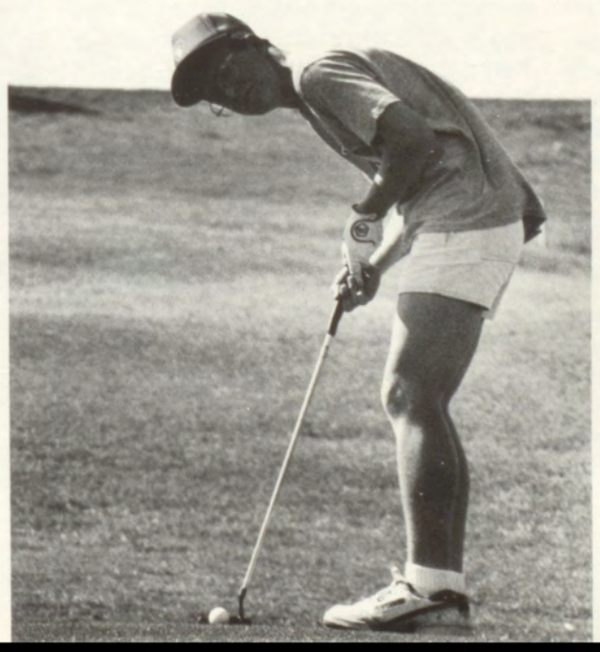
Working to improve accuracy, Todd Parsons contemplates lining up his shot as his teammates watch quietly.



Running laps around the track to build up stamina , Jerry Kidwell prepares for the next cross country meet.



Members of the cross country team are: (FRONT ROW) Aaron Maxwell, Belinda Dominquez, **(SECOND ROW)** Wade Krueger, Elida Yanez and Arthur Yanez, (not pictured) Jerry Kidwell



Concentrating on his putt ,Brian Schmidt trys to make a hole in one.

A TEAM IN THE MAKING

In any team sport, whether it be baseball or football, it takes every last team member to do his part in order for the whole group to succeed. The dictionary describes the word "team" as a group organized to work together for a specific purpose. The main purpose of this year's baseball squad was to win, and we did just that.

At the start of the season, things really didn't turn out like we had anticipated. We lost a couple of our games at first while also having a few minor team problems, but we stuck together to the district title and later became bi-district champions.

One big factor in our games was the large amount of support from the fans. They were there cheering us all on while we tried to show them how good we really could be. After each game, whether we won or lost, they were always there to congratulate us and wish us luck for the next contest. This really meant a lot to us.

Another important element in our accomplishments was practice. Hitting, fielding, pitching and running crossovers were all a part of our daily routine after school. We will still have the memories of the good times we had before and after each practice. Drinking Big Red and sliding in the mud in the outfield were only a few of the fun things we did.

Even though we didn't win state this year, we achieved many of the goals we set at the beginning of the season. The seniors will be leaving, but whether they play for the Cincinnati Reds or become electrical engineers they will always recall their baseball days at Taylor High School. Next year their shoes will have to be filled by others who must keep that "Duck" spirit alive!!



Swinging with all his might , Roosevelt Williams proves why he was drafted by the **Cincinnati Reds** .

Laughing during an "old timer" exhibition game , Augie Lopez shows confidence that he will beat the ball and the catcher to the plate.



Watching for a signal , Tommy Williams keeps his eye on Coach Kuhl.

Scores

Scores not available, but we were Bi-District Champs!







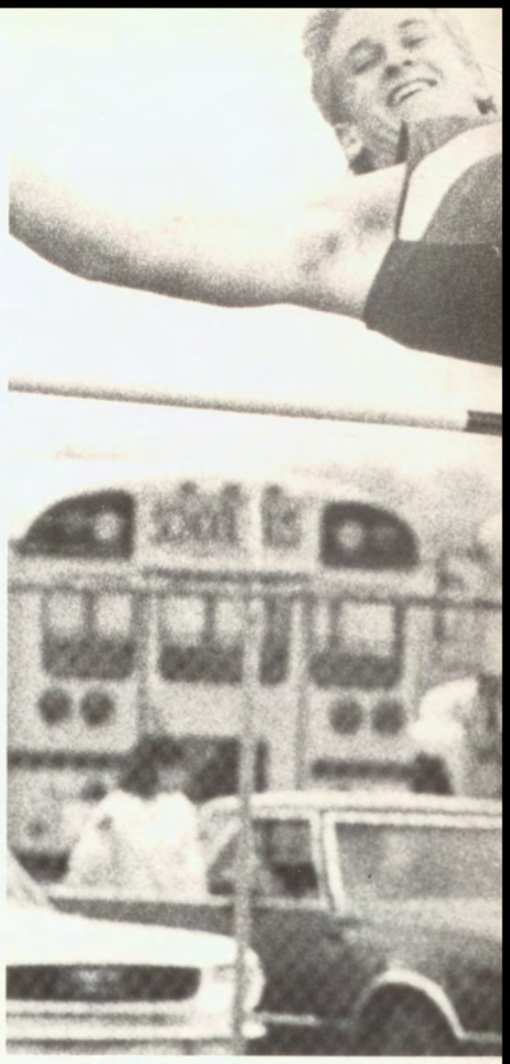
Ready to give high fives to teammates , Kevin Brooks is happy that he hit the game winning homerun.

Picking up the signal from the catcher , Pat Rosipal concentrates on the mitt.

Waiting for the incoming pitch , Todd Mucha positions himself in case of a steal.

Scores

VARSITY	
Midway Relays	2nd
Belton Relays	2nd
Cotton Boll Relays	5th
Taylor Triangular	1st
Rockdale Relays	3rd
District	5th
Georgetown Relays	4th
JV	
Midway Relays	3rd
Belton Relays	1st
Cotton Boll Relays	1st
Taylor Triangular	1st
Rockdale Relays	1st
District	2nd
Georgetown Relays	1st
FRESHMEN	
Cotton Boll Relays	1st
Georgetown Relays	2nd
Taylor Triangular	2nd
District	6th

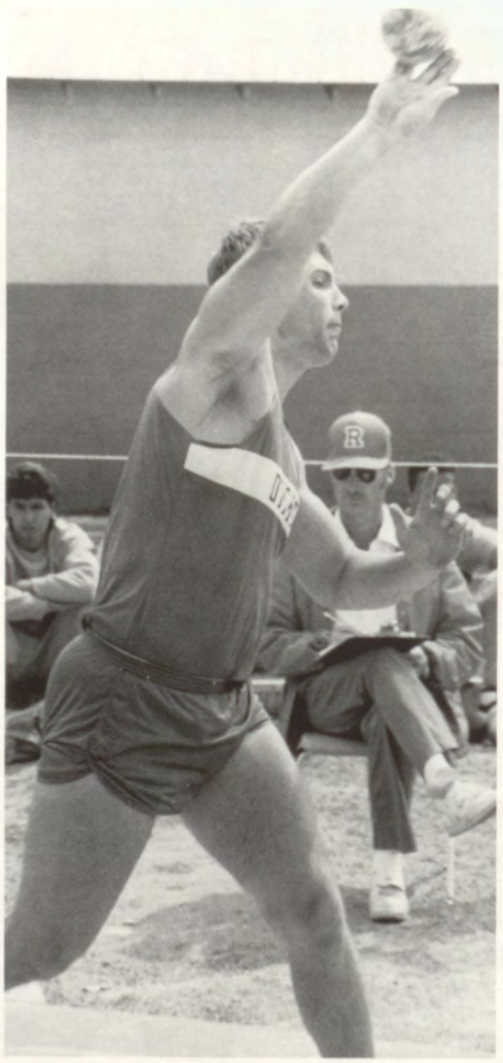


Showing determination on his face, senior Kelly Koonce glides over the hurdles at the Cotton Boll Relays.



Showing a strong anchor for the JV Mile Relay Team, Kevin Demps crosses the finish line easily.

Thrusting the shotput into the air, Ron Randig shows some of the strength he has worked at building.







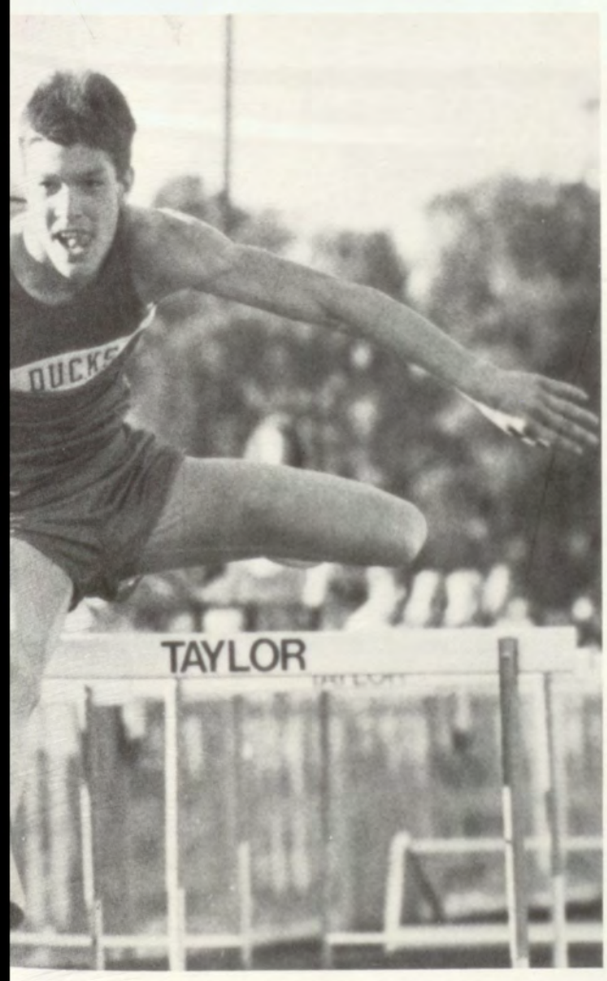
The Heat Is On

The varsity boys track team had a very successful season considering this was their first year under a newly hired coach, James Bartosch, and the fact that they had only three returning seniors on the whole team. Coach Bartosch proved to be a real asset, and the boys all worked extra hard to show their talents.

"This year we had a very young team in district, and as expected in track, we had our shares of ups and downs. Despite this set back, we had a very good season," said senior Kelly Koonce who not only broke a meet record with a time of 38.11 in the 300 Intermediate Hurdles, but also qualified for Regionals in the 110 High Hurdles and the 300 Intermediate Hurdles. Kelly also qualified for State in the 110 High Hurdles.

"Kelly was 'Mr. Track' of the Year for THS. He scored the most points for the year. He scored in four events at the District Meet and qualified for the State Track Meet. Donavon Wilson was 'Sophomore' of the Year for scoring more varsity points than any other sophomore. Over all the boys had an exceptional year," stated Coach Bartosch.

Attempting to clear the bar, Michael Shirk leaps with all his might as he lets his body carry him across the bar.







Clearing the bar, David Koonce fulfills his part in the pole vaulting competition.

Running the first leg of the sprint relay, Chris Shoaf positions himself in the block.

STATE BOUND

As track season rolled around the excitement grew. All of last years regional qualifiers were coming back with track session well under way. They knew that once again that there would once again be some girls qualify for regionals, and they were right. This year they won Regional IV with 76 points placing 4th in high jump and 3rd in long jump was Regina Wright. Placing 3rd in 100 meter hurdles was Tonya Jefferson and 1st in the 400 relay were Tonya Jefferson, Sharrah Huff, Bettie Fredrick and Tammy Williams also qualified for state. Tammy Williams placed 1st in the 100 yard dash qualified for state and she also set a new regional record with a time of 24.5. This time will send Tammy to state in the 200 yard dash. Having known this season was going to be best yet they pushed themselves to the limit and all there hard work payed off because the Lady Ducks are state bound!



Regional Qualifiers : **(SECOND ROW)** Carolyn Hunt, Betty Fredrick, manager; Carla James, LaTonya Ephraim, Regina Wright. (FRONT ROW) Sharah Huff, Tonya Jefferson, Tammy Williams and Shanna Schnieder pose for a picture.

Getting ready to run , Tammy Williams listens for the starting gun.



Runnuing hard to finish her leg of the relay , Tonya Jefferson hands the baton to LaTonya Ephraim.

Scores

Feb. 27, '88	Midway JV/V
Mar. 12, '88	Taylor JV/V
Mar. 19, '88	Rockdale JV/V
Mar. 26, '88	Kerrville JV/V
Mar. 31, '88	Taylor JV/V
Apr. 9, '88	P-Ville JV/V
Apr. 15&16	District Regionals State



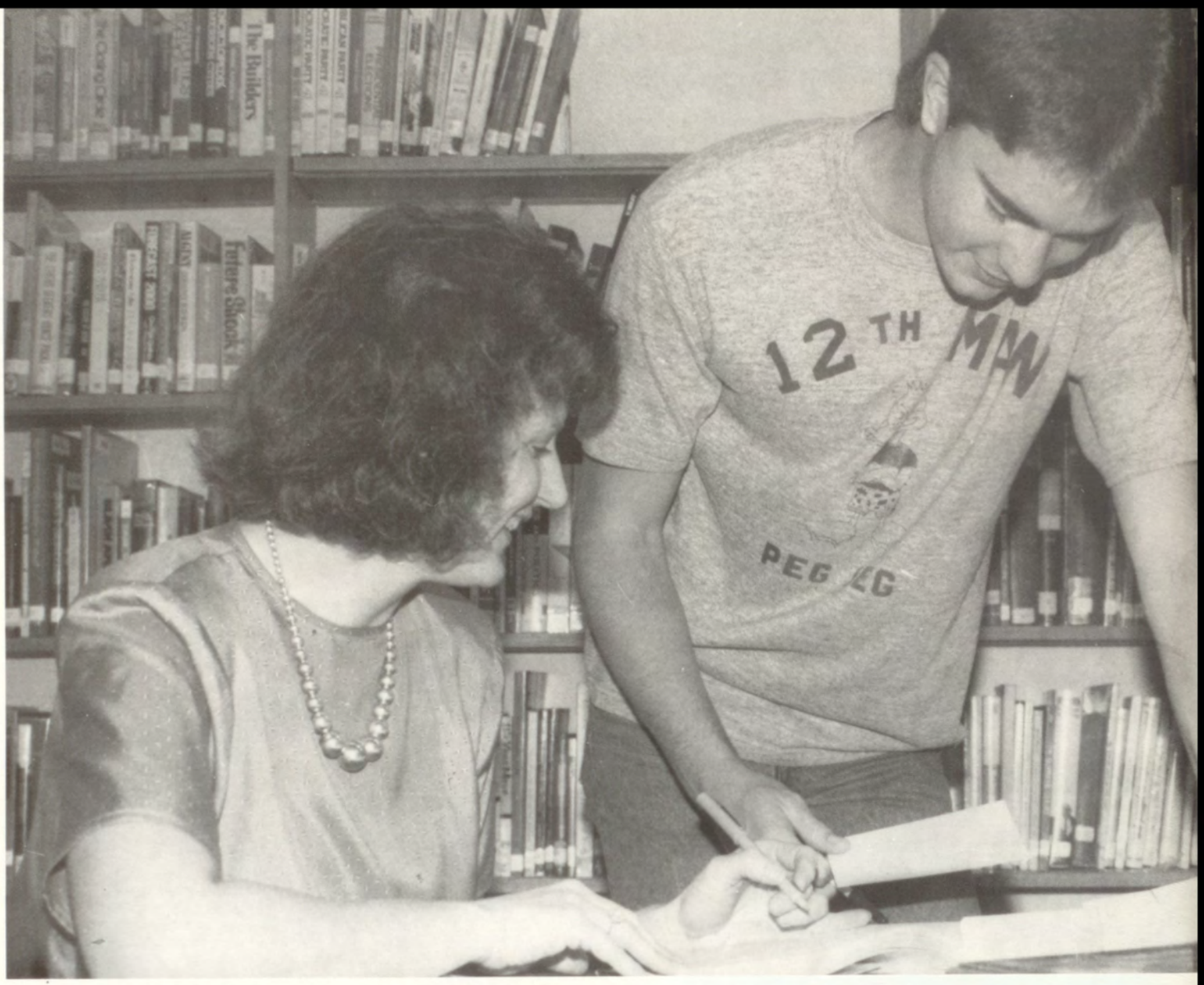




Crossing the finish line first , Tonya Jefferson slows down her pace.

Cheering their teammates on , Jessica Ortiz, Tonya Jefferson, Carla James, Lisa Jefferson and Bettie Fredrick watch a race.

Jumping a hurdle , Shanna Schnieder, pushes herself to finish first.



Getting help . 12th Man Chris Schultz receives tips from Mrs. Foley concerning his literary criticism paper.

Standing around enjoying the scenes , Darby McLain, Brian Winkler, Richard Gonzales, Raymond Chavana, Scott Komandosky, Chris Lee and Lisa Krieg attend the leadership picnic.





JOINING THE "BUNCH"

Organizations! Organizations! Organizations! Although a variety of organizations has long been available at THS, some people just did not realize all of the fun they were missing by not participating. No one could say that there was not a club for everyone; all interests seemed to be covered, and if we found ourselves lacking in some area, a new organization was started. Everyone should have found a place for themselves.

Organizations were fun, and often they gave us a day to get away from the monotonous routine of books, study and tests.They made us feel as if we belonged, and they gave us something to do during our spare time. They also taught us leadership skills and how to get along in social situations.Most importantly, they helped us make new friends and get to know people we might not have seen otherwise. Some of the best friendships started because of organizational duties.

Organizations, likewise, gave us an opportunity to help other people and to get to know some of the teachers and administrators better. Most clubs had civic projects they did during the year, and we found ourselves working on a different level with our teachers. Many of us found that these people could be quite enjoyable under the right circumstances, not that we didn't enjoy them in class, but it was just different when we were outside the classroom situation.

All in all, most everyone who joined an organization seemed to enjoy school more. They became someone out of the ordinary, no longer just a face in class.



Adding a final touch ,Martin Gonzales paints the ducks that the football players receive during football season.



Enjoying a pizza party that was sponsored by Ducks Against Drugs , Derek Gonzlaes, Gracie Gonzales, Kirbi Dloughy and Martin Gonzales spend a few hours resting from the exciting football game.

One Big Happy Family









Helping to keep the campus clean, Phillip Thourpe picks up trash in his assigned Duck Family.

Decorating the Student Center, Kim Felfe and Eva Szikora put up signs made by their Duck Families.

Taking her report card anxiously, Jannet Gonzales and her friends, Patricia Morin, Donna Massar, and Sheila Crow look over the cards which they received from their "Duck Mother", Mrs. Potts.

Getting ready for homecoming, Tammy Williams and Jenny Tschoener clean up the trophy cases.



High school can be a frightening experience. Some of us have a difficult time meeting new people and others have trouble finding our way around. Duck Families solved these problems.

Duck Family did many things, but most importantly it made us feel like we belonged. It provided a place to get to know new people and discuss any problems we might have had. In our "families", we cleaned up the school and made posters to decorate the student center and add spirit during Homecoming week.

During Christmas we started a 'Red Santa' program for needy people. Each Family collected food and toys to make someone happy at Christmas.

Duck Families helped to bring the student body together. This was the first year that it was in action, but from the results this year, it probably won't be the last.







Contributing canned goods , Stephen Vorwerk takes part in the Red Santa program in front of the Duck Family Christmas tree.

Explaining to her Duck Family , "Duck Mother", Mrs. Potts, gives instuctions on what should be done today.

Making her career day schedule , Eva Robles concentrates in her Duck Family to choose the best career for her.

Spending what time is left in Duck Family , Chris Lee, Jay Sutton, Wade Krueger, Trey Bachmeyer, Chris Cook, Aaron Maxwell, and Nikki Urbis sit and talk about week-end plans.

Style & Class









Performing at a basketball game, the trumpets play their hearts out.

Posing for a picture for the newspaper, Kim Felfe (Band Sweetheart) and Gabriel Gonzales (Band Beau) smile proudly.

Taylor High School Band 87-88.

Adding to the beat of the music, Chad Linclon plays with the Jazz Band at their performance at a basketball game.



The year started much like last, but after having a year to adjust to the idea of band being at 7:30, we enjoyed the morning schedule. It was easier on those who wanted to take band and work. And for those who were honor bound, this was almost a necessity. With the Fine Arts requirement, some found band a good choice.

Our days were filled with music as we strived for perfection. When contest came, we did well, and we knew we could take pride in our accomplishments.

We also took pride in our Jazz Band who entertained at events during the year. Each time, they impressed people with their talents. Altogether we knew we were truly extraordinary: we were flashy, and everywhere we went, people noticed our classy style. We weren't conceited, but we were good. After all, that's what you get when you put hard work and soul into a performance.







Head Drum Major Dana Daniels and Drum Major Susan Brummett.

Playing their saxophones, Martin McShea and Chris Naiver display their many talents.

Performing at one of the basketball games to help build spirit, the Jazz Band plays the team on to a victory.

Taylor High School Jazz Band: Chris Naivar, Edwin Taylor, Jason Sladek, Timothy Bailey, Ronald Schaeffer, Martin McShea, Quinton Dubec, Chad Lincoln, C.W. Schneider, Scott Safarik, Trevin Davis, Paul O'Connel, Stephanie Volek, Susan Brummett, Donna Massar, Lesha Mohel, Lisa Crim, Jodie Snyder, Mr. Taylor and Mr. Kellogg.









1987-1988 Hi-Steppers are: (Front row) Officers: Kari Kovar, Tina Bielss, Cynthia Gonzales, Laura Wagner, Amy Sandoval (Second row) Tami Wilkins, Christy Caldwell, Christie Volek, Melissa Elizondo, Michelle Wilson, Wendy Vrana (Back row)Rebecca Ackerman, Roseann Matysek, Nicole Mohel, Crystal Marx, Kim Kruse

Dancing to a contest routine, Cynthia Gonzales, Kari Kovar, Melissa Elizondo, and Nikki Cochran entertain the crowd.

Standing by the fence, Chandra White, Michelle Wilson, and Laura Wagner await for their turn to perform.

Flashing a big smile, the steppers show how proud they are to have performed on Kyle Field.

Holding an ending position, Amy Sandoval and Christie Volek wait for the audience to stop applauding.



Overcoming Obstacles

Being a Duck Hi-Stepper during the 1987-1988 year was quite different. This year there were many obstacles which we had to overcome if we wanted to maintain the top quality status the Steppers have always had.

First of all, we found out we had two new sponsors, and everyone knew that starting off with new sponsors was always difficult for any organization. It took us a little while to become use to one another and get to know what our new sponsors expected. As officers, of course, we felt it was our duty to show the sponsors what we were capable of and the traditional Stepper way of completing each task. We knew how important it was for the sponsors and the officers to pull together in order to successfully keep things running smoothly.

To our dismay, however, matters were complicated when as the school year started, we found that we had decreased in size. We went from having a 26 member drill team to only 18 members. What would we do now? This put an even larger amount of pressure on us. Because of our size, we now had to do more difficult routines when we performed just to compare favorably to the other drill teams. Of course, this also meant longer hours of practice and harder workouts. Nevertheless, even though we had some disadvantages, we didn't let these hinder our accomplishments because we knew that being a Stepper meant overcoming all obstacles and remaining our usual #1!









Performing to Twist and Shout, Tina Bielss, Crystal Marx, Roseann Matysek, and Nicole Mohel help add spirit to the pep rally.

Taking a break from a work out, Rebecca Ackerman and Amy Sandoval pause for a moment.

Cheering the Ducks on, Cynthia Gonzales shows her excitement about the game.

Making up a new routine, Kim Kruse and Wendy Vrana try to come up with new ideas.









Sitting in splits as the back row prepares to do a leap is Nicole Mohel, Wendy Vrana, Christie Volek and Michele Wilson.

Doing her jazz routine to the fullest is Tina Bielss.

Performing her award winning solo routine is Captain, Cynthia Gonzales.

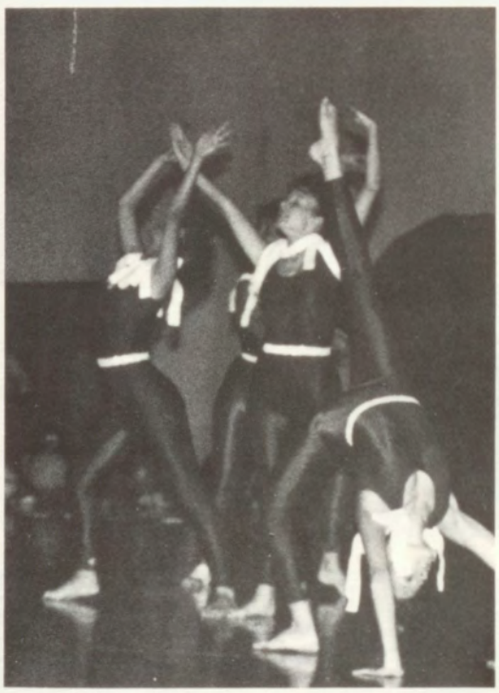
Hitting their final pose in their sophomore routine is Crystal Marx, Christy Caldwell, Nicole Mohel, and Wendy Vrana.

Joining as one, the new members combine with the old to perform their final routine.



OUT OF THIS WORLD

Being that it was our last year, at least for the seniors, we wanted to make spring show different this year. I mean really different. That's exactly how it turned out. Being that we only had 17 members this year, it was very difficult. Every practice was a workout. We knew someone who worked with lights and music but we weren't sure how good he was. Our question was answered when his crew and himself turned our gym into a disco-like dance room. We had the works, strobe lights, star light ball, colored lights, etc. We were so excited because it had never been done before. They made the gym look great and the music sound even better. With the decorations surrounding us, we danced our very best. We were thrilled when the crowd showed how much they loved it. We were even more ecstatic because we loved it. This was a spring show that would be remembered for a long time because it was out of this world.





Ending their senior routine with a bang is Cynthia Gonzales, Laura Wagner, and Michele Wilson.

Performing their last routine in their hi-kick uniform, being they are seniors, are Kari Kovar, Roseann Matysek, and Laura Wagner.

Jazzing it up, to pleasure principle are the '88 steppers.

Entertaining the crowd by being old men, Aaron Maxwell and Clayton Rhoades give the steppers a breather.





Although we were not a large group, we consisted of about twenty-one people, but size didn't matter. A few individuals excelled at solo and ensemble competition. "It was great to get a first division and to have the chance to proceed to state," stated Lisa Crim. There were seven people who went to solo ensembles and five received first divisions; three of these five had the chance to proceed to state; they were: Danielle Cline, Lisa Crim and Janet Robinson.

Not only did we do well at solo and ensemble, but we also received excellent ratings at UIL contest. "We have done much better than any year before," stated Janet Robinson. "Next year should be even better considering we have more experience now," said Jennifer Stafford. "We hope to become bigger in size but if we don't our quality will show through."



Singing on stage, Lisa Crim displays her talent while Michael Nemec, Patrick Pille, Chandra White and Janet Robinson listen in.

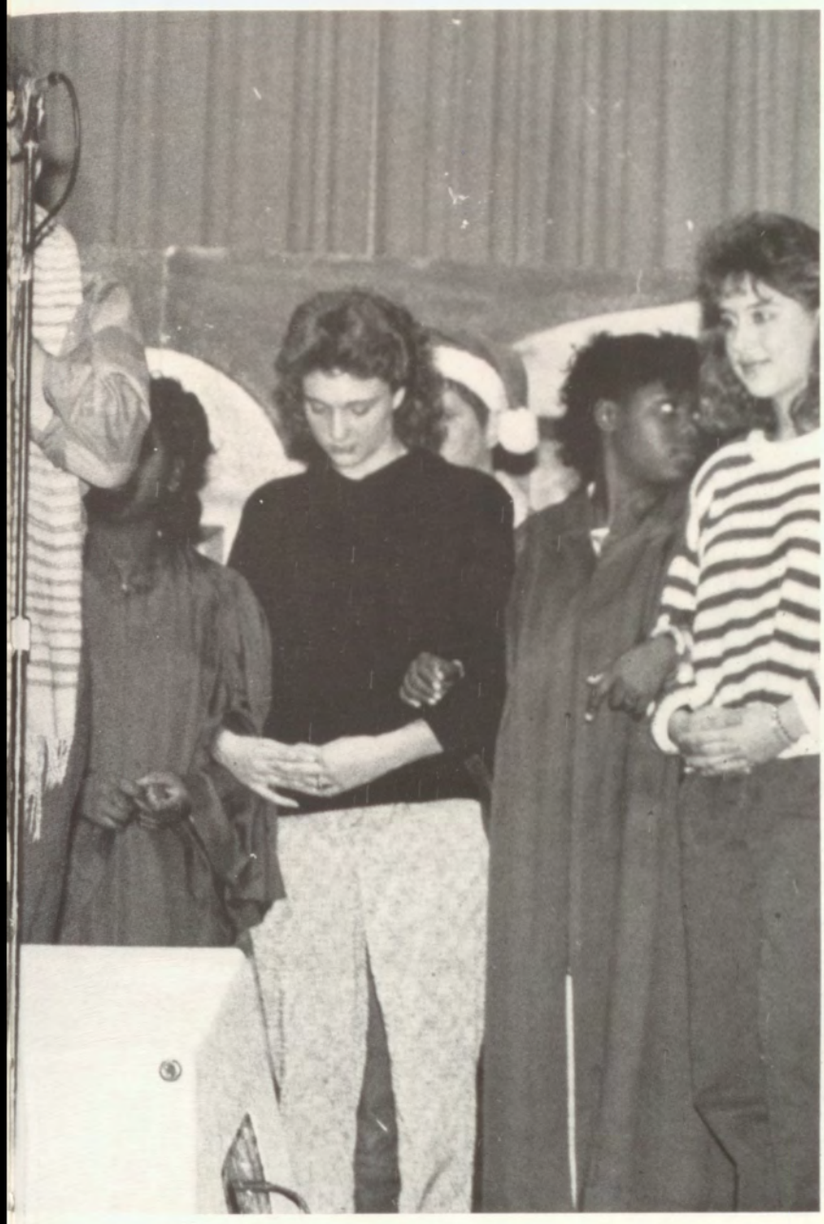




Practicing in class, members of the choir prepare for the upcoming contests in which they will participate.



Warming up before class, Angela Jackson vocalizes and listens carefully as she practices her music.





Standing arm in arm, the choir students are conducted by Jim Nabhan. It is evident that he likes his work.

Taking part in a Christmas play, Melissa Griffith sings a solo while dressing warmly for the occasion.

Rehearsing for a winter time skit, Chandra White, Levita Kerley, and Lisa Crim pay close attention to their harmony.





Paying close attention in class, members of the choir learn how to use their vocal gifts to the best of their abilities.



The A-Choir members are: (Front Row) Patrick Pille, Ruby Diaz, Chandra White, Lavita Kerley, Anna Flores, (Second Row) James Nabhan, Gayle Elms, Sonya Harrison, Danielle Cline, Jennifer Stafford, (Third Row) Janet Robinson, Scott Safarik, Tim Bailey, Quinton Dubec, Chris Dunning and Angela Jackson.



Trying to enjoy a cake that was donated to Young Life, Stacy Caplinger and Martin Gonzales have fun throwing icing at each other and some of their friends.

Resting from the day of activities, Kim Winkler, Christy Bland, Julie Keese, Jan Jackson, Tammy Blahuta, Barbara Brueckner, Amy Sandoval, Alan Odom, June Simcik, Anne McConchie, and Robert Kollman watch others enjoy the day's activities.

Singing loudly and proudly , Nicole David, Tanya Potts, Misti Caesar and Molly Griffith enjoy group on Monday nights.







Getting into the crowd, Thomas Jensen, Robert Kollman, Kim Winkler, Nikki Urbis, Stacy Caplinger, Amy Sandoval, Tammy Blahuta, Kim Dykowski, Barbara Brueckner and Dana Mohel spend their Monday nights at 1st Taylor Bank at Young Life.



Enjoying a little free time from skiing while on their Christmas retreat, Ellen Hejl and Holly Hortenstine relax in the hotel lobby. Young Life's ski trip is always a fun time for members.



Standing Out

There are various groups at THS but Young Life seemed to stand out. First of all, no one ever knew what to expect when walking into the Monday night meeting. There were so many well thought out "games". Whether it was a scavenger hunt, a sing-a-long, or carrying each other across the room, we always came out laughing.

The annual ski trip was another success. For the first time, our group had to take a bus of our own. It was a long ride, but well worth it as we had a most memorable trip.

While having fun, we always learned more about each other, God, and ourselves. The songs that we sang and the talks that we heard gave us a push to try to be better.

Campaigners also kept us involved, and each meeting was ended with a prayer of Thanksgiving which made us all realize how fortunate we were. This organization really helped us get to know ourselves better.







Posing for an all guys picture, Coach Bohls, David Daniels, Travis Volek, Thomas Jensen, Robert Kollman, Kevin Hurta, and Jeff Krueger enjoy the rest of the night resting comfortably.

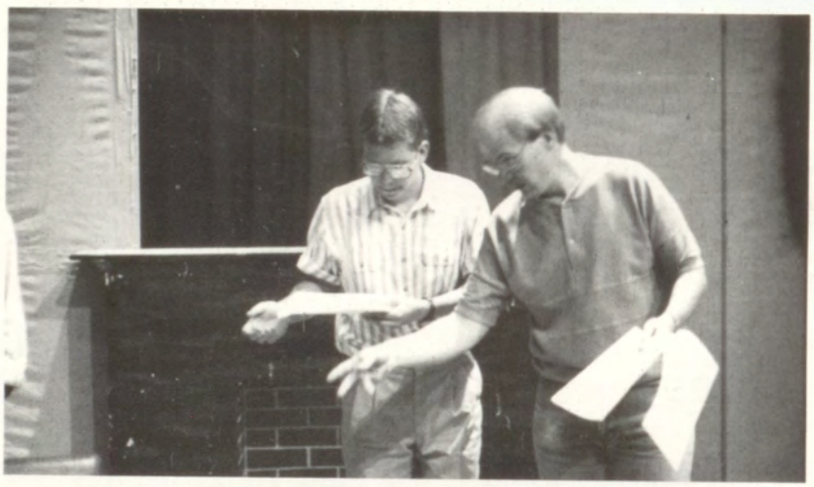
Grabbing the opportunity to perform at Young Life, David Daniel, Kevin Hurta and Robert Kollman jam to the Fat Boys.

Enjoying their dinner in Colorado, C.W. Schneider and Sidney Felfe relax after a long day on the slopes.

A YEAR FULL OF ACTION

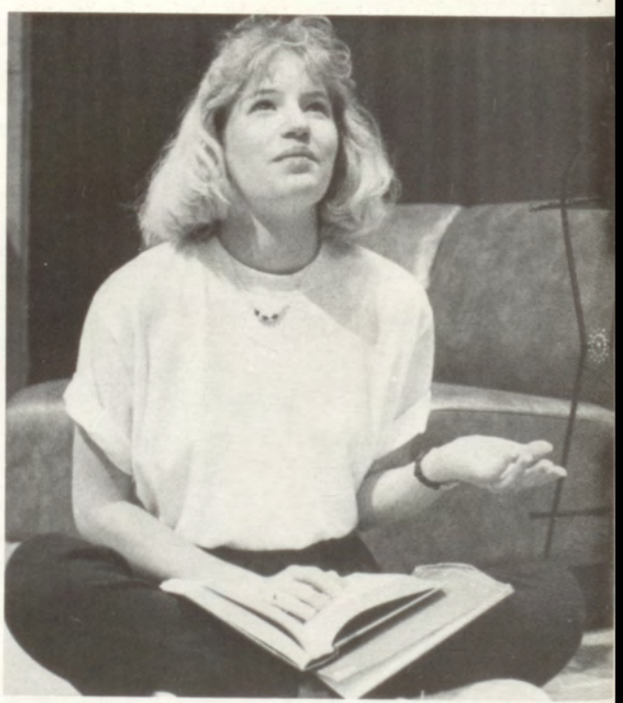
The Drama Club undertook three major productions this year. The first, in the fall, was a nostalgic show for the homecoming assembly. The second was for UIL one act play contest: **The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-In-Moon Mariglold** . The third, which involved the 7:30 drama class, was a murder mystery, **Ten Little Indians** . By working together as cast and crew for these productions, we all found that Theater Arts was a lot of hard work as well as a lot of fun.

Besides productions, the year's activities included a trip to Georgetown to see **The Mousetrap** , a masquerade party, and a trip to see the filming of **Heartbreak Hotel** .





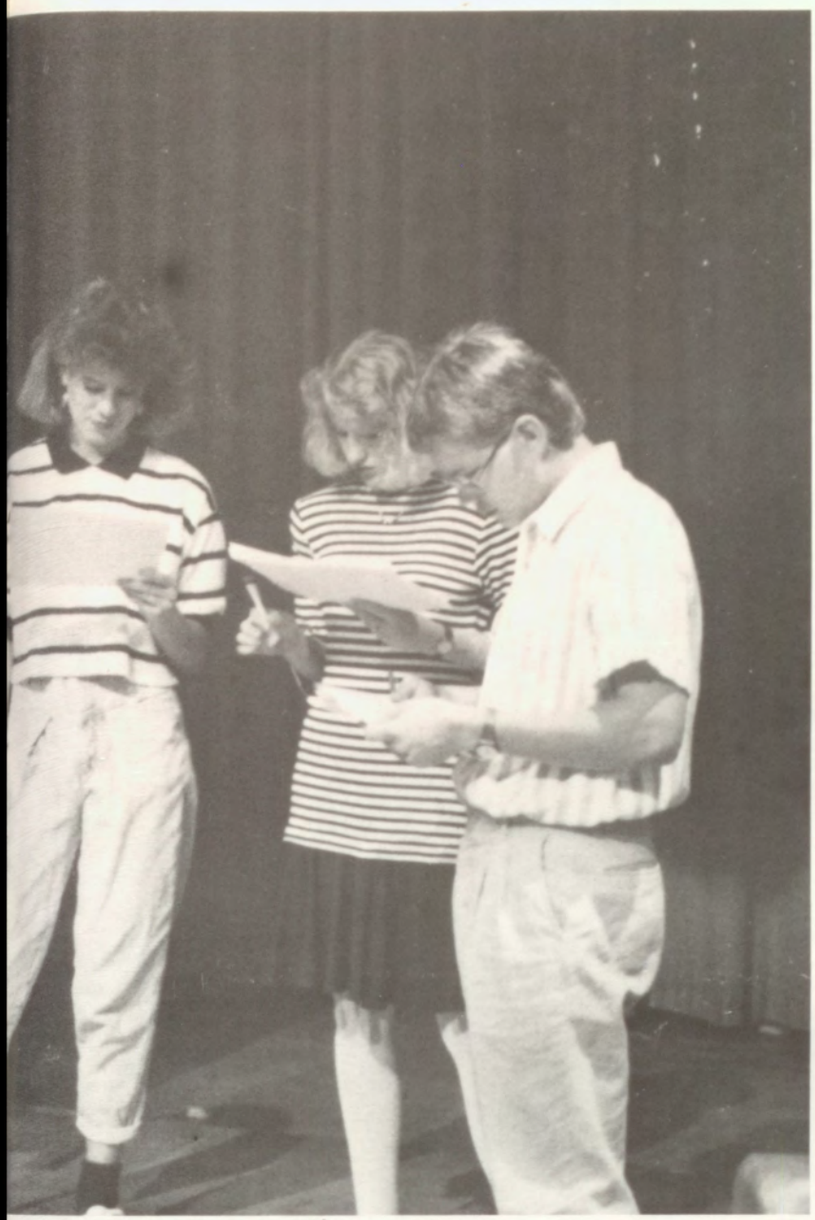




Instructing Jeff Frankeny ,Mr Volek shows him some of the finer points of acting in order to achieve the desired results from a performance.

Cast members in the play *Man-In-The Moon* **are: (FRONT ROW)** Gracia Gardner, Melanie Spurgeon, Jenny Simmons, Emily Taylor and instructor, Danny Volek.

Going over her scene , Melanie Spurgeon practices her lines to create just the right inflection to acquire the desired effect.



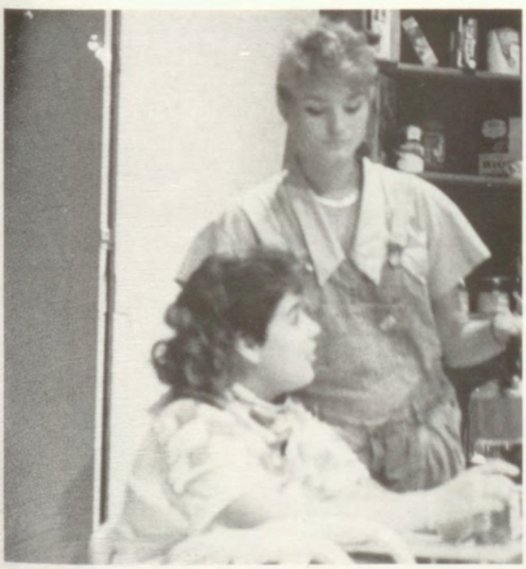


Going over the script , Mr. Volek listens to the lines read by Crystal Marx, Melanie Spurgeon, and Jeff Frankeny.

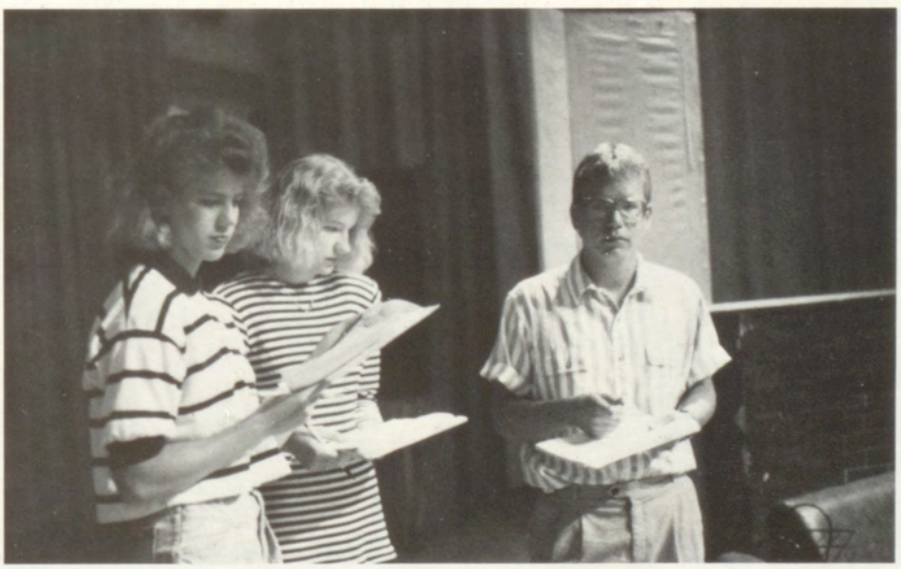
Working on expression , Aaron Maxwell polishes his acting ability. Good actors spend hours working on their style.

Controlling lights and sound ,Clayton Rhoades concentrates on his job to help enhance a performance.





Practicing their scene ,Jenny Simmons and Gracia Gardner strive for perfection in the upcoming play.



Listening carefully , each of the prospective actors helps to support fellow actors. Good drama is achieved only by working as a group.



Finishing off the cookies left over from the initiation banquet , Chad Marak and Wade Krueger add a light dessert to their lunch.

Collecting food for the needy , Jan Jackson and Kari Kovar fulfill their community service project.

During the initiation banquet , Dana Daniel serves punch to Tami Campbell, Kari Kovar, Nikki Urbis, and Crystal Marx.



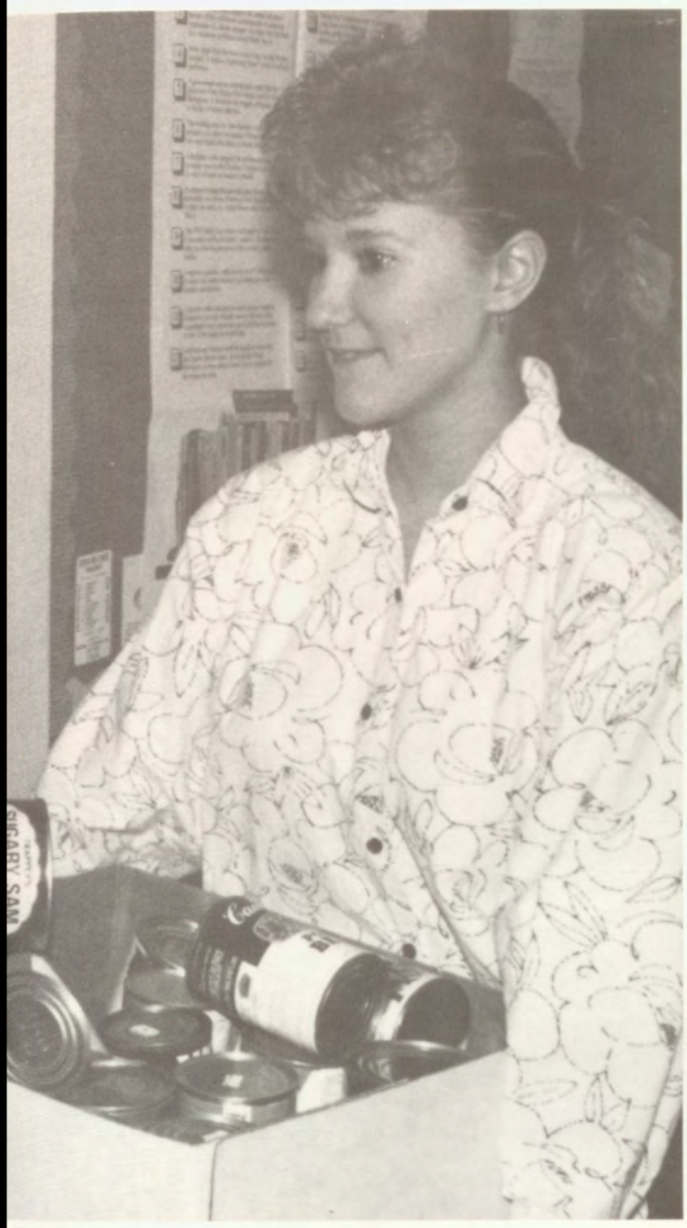




Senior members of NHS are: (FRONT ROW) Kari Kovar, Dominique Griffin, Charlotte Zett, Tami Campbell, Nikki Cochran, Cindy Safarik, Pat Rogers(advisor). **(SECOND ROW)** Chris Naiver, Richard Gonzales, Kristi Johnson, Mina Patel, Cristi Hamann, Karen Lehman, Dana Daniel, Sandra Mikulencak, **(THIRD ROW)** Brian Winkler, Eddie Dlugos, Pat Pille, Kimberly Felfe, Lisa Crim, Lisa Krieg, Tracy Fleming, **(FOURTH ROW)** Pat Mekolik, Mark Stoll, Adam Mehevec, Stephen Vorwerk, Pat Rosipal, Robert Kollman, and Jeff Frankeny.



Reciting their NHS vows ,Will Manning, Nicole Mohel, Crystal Marx, Darby McLean and Melissa Limmer wait patiently for the ceremonies to end.



AN HONOR TO REMEMBER

One could say that the National Honor Society was the most prestigious club at THS, but it took more than smarts to become a member of NHS. Members had to maintain high characteristics in four areas: scholarship, leadership, character, and service. To become a member, one had to be nominated by a teacher. Then the long, involved process of evaluation started. Grades were checked, organizations and service projects were noted and finally teachers were asked to vote on students. If you made it through all this, you were pinned and a real-live member of NHS. This club participated in many activities throughout the year such as Red Santa, adopting residents at the resthomes, and taking food, clothes and toys to a needy family. "It was and honor being in NHS, and I enjoyed the many activities in which I participated," said Pat Rosipal.







Some of the sophomores members are: (FRONT ROW) Ellen Hejl, Kristi Roberts, Holly Hortenstine, Crystal Marx, Nikki Mohel, Gracia Gardner, Sharon Rosipal, Melanie Spurgeon, **(SECOND ROW)** Russell Dominguez, Will Manning, David Daniel, Darby McLean and Clayton Rhoades.

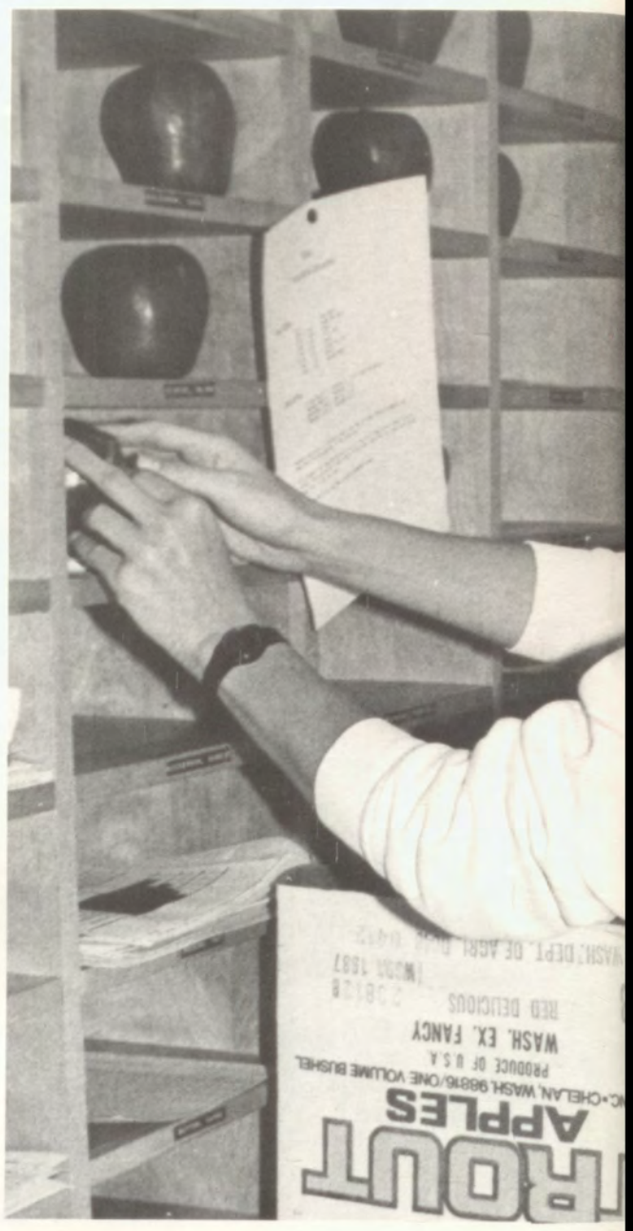
Congratualting a buddy on being pinned , Stephen Vorwerk is proud Randy Hyzak is a member.

Junior NHS members are: (FRONT ROW) Priscilla Parsons (advisor), Christie Volek, Nikki Urbis, Jan Jackson, Chandra White, **(SECOND ROW)** Kim Winkler, Cheryl Chapa, Adella Almazon, Angela Perez, Jennifer Stafford, Valori Morales, **(THIRD ROW)** Jamie West, Jodi Snyder, Kent Safarik, Chris Cook, Trey Bachmayer, Aaron Maxwell, **(FOURTH ROW)** Chris Lee, Chad Marek, Jason Ball, Brandt Rydell, Steven Thomas, and Wade Krueger.

MOLDING MINDS

We worked hard through the year to earn points to go to the State Convention held in Dallas, but to our disappointment it was cancelled because of bad weather. Jan Jackson was proud to be elected District Financial Secretary for 88-89. The District Convention this year was held in Taylor ; five schools attended.

During Christmas we brightened a foster child's Christmas morning by giving gifts. We also had fun brightening each others' day with the secret angel gifts. Since we didn't have our annual carnation sale,we held a bake sale in April to raise money. When it was time for freshman orientation, we decorated for a warm greeting for the parents of these new arrivals. Without our terrific leaders and active president,we wouldn't have had the fun we had this year while we were trying to mold minds and move mountains.





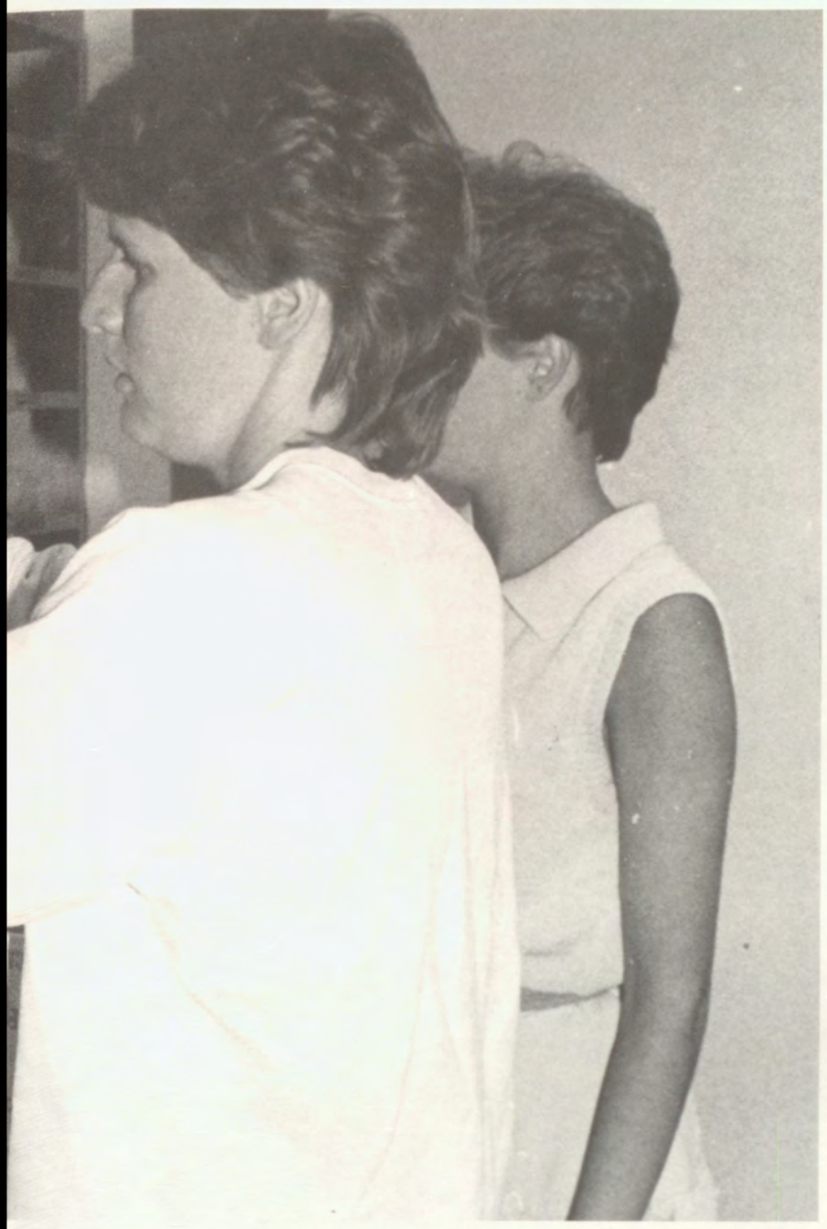


Indulging themselves in the eating of the food at the FTA banquet , Martin McShea and Jeff Krueger eat wholeheartedly.

Attending a meeting during lunch , Donna Maggar, Shelly Collins, and Stehanie Volek listen to plans concerning the FTA banquet.



Listening to a speaker during a meeting , Krist Roberts, Midhu Mathews, Sheila Crow, and Chrissy McColluch take it all in.





Helping FTA during Teacher Appreciation week , Pam Fischer and Lisa Krieg put apples in each of the teachers' boxes.

Hanging a poster , David Daniel encourages students who think they are interested in education to join FTA.

Holding candles , Melonie Spurgeon, Jan Jackson, Adella Almazon and Wade Krueger participate in the initiation of the new FTA officers.





Sending a card to one of the sponsors , Cherry Fugate gives thanks for all the help she has given this year.



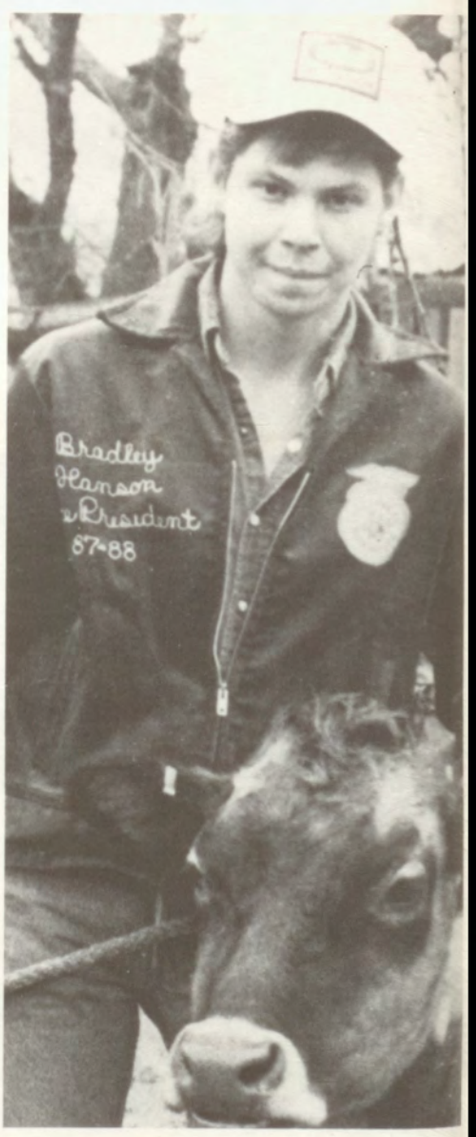
Working together , Melanie Spurgeon and Holly Hortenstine make a poster to help Jan Jackson run for District Financial Secretary.

Looking to the Future









Working on a tractor, Randy Skrhak puts the skills he has learned in Ag class to good use.

Listening to Mr. Brister, Stephanie Blanchard and Jeff Williams learn the fine techniques of planting.

Working in the greenhouse, many students find horticulture an interesting line of work.

Preparing his steer for the Williamson County Livestock Show, Bradley Hanson stops to pose for a picture.



Many times we take our meals for granted. As we sit down to eat, we forget how much time and effort has gone into getting it to the table. In FFA and FHA, we learned just how much had to be done in order for us to have all of the good meals we eat.

In FFA, we learned the necessity of careful planning and management, about crop rotation, and the art of producing the best animals and produce available. Many of us had not stopped to think that all of these things took careful planning and a lot of skill. We felt quite proud of the fact that we were an important part of American life, and many of us looked forward to lives as farmers or ranchers or ag technologists.

In FHA, we learned that good meals don't just happen; they, too, have to be planned and prepared with great skill in order for them to not only taste good, but to be good for our families.







Cooking spaghetti sauce, Janet Robinson masters the art of some Italian cooking.

Diligently working, Sheila Deary works hard to complete her class project.

Discussing a pattern, Katrina Petrus and Denise Gonzales concentrate on the task of trying to make clothes.

Sifting flour, Rachel Gutierrez enjoys learning more about food preparation and nutritional values of given foods.

Skills for Success









Anticipating the steak dinner , Christie Janke and her employer wait for the meal to served at the annual dinner.

Looking over the night's program , Renee Morris and Charlotte Zett wait for the banquet to begin.

Taking part in one of the many O.E.A. traditions, Zane Scruggs and Shaun Lynch help prepare breakfast.

Having attended National OEA competition, Randy Hyzak went to Louisville Kentucky to participate in financial specialist competition.



Success was our goal. We knew to succeed, we would need to put to use all the skills we had acquired in our education, but sometimes just the basic curriculum wasn't enough. Some skills couldn't be learned in academic classes; these only came by actual use of the machines and tools which are in use in today's world. That's where O.E.A. came in; classes such as word processing and VOE helped students to perfect their basic skills into marketable resources. O.E.A. members proved how effective this program was. Five people attended state contest due to their outstanding performance in area competition, and Randy Hyzak advanced to national competition after a first place win in financial specialist. Again the members of O.E.A. had proven they had what it took to succeed not only in the work force, but in life.







Participants in the OEA State competition from left to right are, Lisa Krieg, Zane Scruggs, Randy Hyzak, and Shaun Lynch.

Filling her plate with eggs ,Christi Hall starts to put her breakfast taco together.

Fixing their plates , Kristi Guentzel and Shelly Alewine enjoy the OEA breakfast.

Waiting for the presentation of awards Cindy Raesz sits with her employer.

HAVING IT ALL

Some students wanted to combine school and work; others needed to work financially. When the academic program could be satisfied, these students were allowed to finish their education by such programs as ICT and DECA. These programs were set up for the students who chose to work half a day. People who were interested in industrial or health occupations took ICT; those who were interested in selling and service-selling occupations took DECA. These classes provided an extra opportunity for students to learn something that they would not have received from the academic program. Many not only earned money but established themselves in a job that they would continue after graduation.

The organizations also did fun things. DECA again sponsored their ice cream eating contest for Muscular Dystrophy. Field trips were taken to businesses in Austin, and everyone agreed it had been a successful year. We felt like we had it all, the best of both worlds.





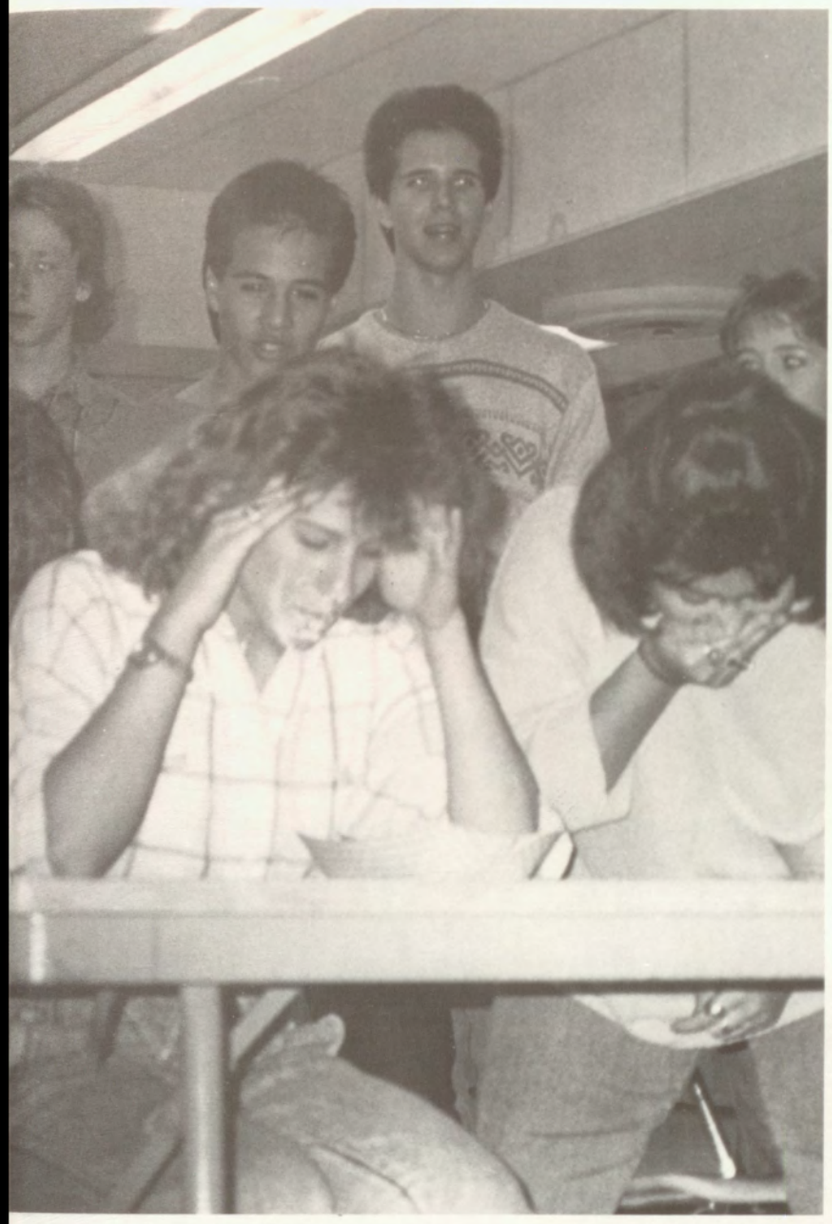


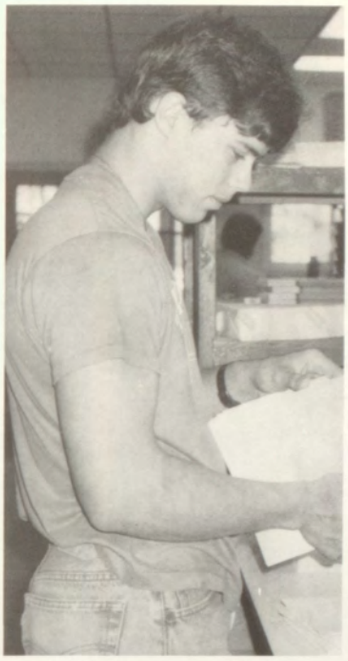
Tightening a bolt on some farm machinery, Randy Skrhak makes sure everything is secure before operating a tractor..

Relaxing at a restaurant during a DECA field trip, Misty Meyer, Maxine Pittaway, Stephanie Blanchard, and April Whittington enjoy their day away from the routine.

Trying to stay clean, Bradley Hanson works diligently in order to learn more about his skill.







Pigging out on ice cream, Kim Polasek, Misty Caesar, and Jessica Caranza have more on their faces than in their mouths.

Sorting papers, John Grieger realizes the importance of organization and being able to find necessary materials.

Listening to instructions carefully, Dean Faught understands that once you are on the job, you must be able to work independently even if the job is something new.





Skating at Northcross Mall , members of DECA enjoy a few minutes of fun after their investigations into work procedures at businesses in Austin.



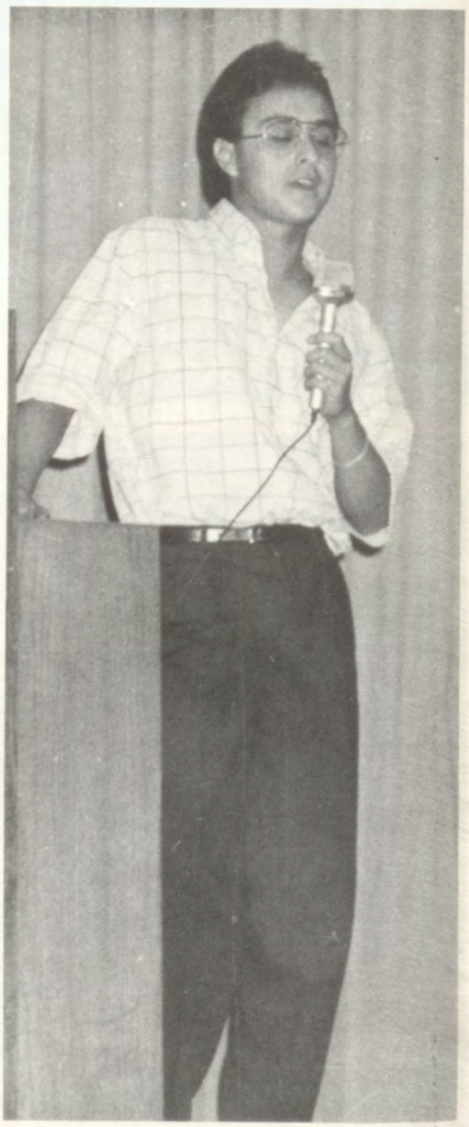
Giving a speech at a banquet, DECA President Raymond Chavana relates the pleasures of work and school as he voices his appreciation to employers.

HEAD OF THE CLASSES









Preparing to meet another school's governing body , Anne McConchie, Dana Daniel, Nikke Cochran and Jan Jackson stroll across the field before a game.

Checking off peoples names as they cast their vote , Dana Daniel and Jan Jackson take ballots for cheerleader elections.

Deciding who he thinks will be "his" class goodfellow , Todd Mucha stands as Senior Kristi Johnson hands out the ballots.

Explaining something to incoming freshmen's parents , Richard Gonzales speaks assuring words to the audience.



Their job was prestigious. Acting as liaisons between the students and faculty, the Student Senate was in charge of all school-wide elections. They were the force behind the Christmas party and the Homecoming Queen proceedings. The senate acted as the "Head of the Classes." The Student Senate showed great care towards everyone in Taylor and made school more enjoyable. Members baked cakes monthly for the teachers and also gave a helping hand to get the new soda machines put in the Student Center. They also sponsored the canned food drive at Christmas. Dana Daniel, this year's president, stated, "I really feel like we made a contribution to THS. I wish Jan, next year's president, the best of luck." Head of the classes, the Student Senate made it a better place for all.







Voting for whom they think should be the 1988-1989 cheerleaders , Stacy Mehevec, C.W. Schneider and Adria Hill think hard so they will make good selections.

Celebrating her victory , Jan Jackson starts her term as the 1988-1989 Student Senate president.

Giving Clayton Rhoades helpful information , Marc Tolbert shows him the route to a particular college.

Promoting creative foods during the freshmen orientation , Jonathan Kidwell, Toby Branson, Lance Zeplin, Eddie Dlugos, Sean Burrell and Willie Jones tell people just what they learned this past year.

The History of Art & Spanish

Although a new club, it made its presence at Taylor High known. The Art Club sponsored by Ms. Perry Kuebel participated in a number of various activities throughout the year.

For public school week the club contributed art work for the public display downtown. Its fund raisers included selling friendship bracelets and balloons at the Halloween Spooktacular.

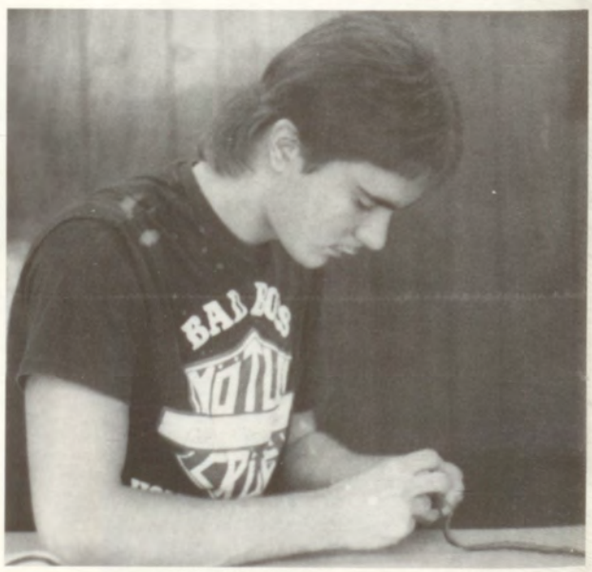
For every holiday there's a theme and for every theme the club did its job. The club decorated the student center for every holiday and occassion that came along.

So even though it was a new club, it allowed student to further their interests in art and to have fun at the same time.









Enjoying themselves at an Art Club meeting ,Regina Wright, David Melindrez, Debbie Canales and Martin Gonzales talk about the latest happenings.

Looking at an Art exhibit ,Jenny Brasfield and Charity Lloyd tour the museum at Southwest University.

Examining a painting , Stephanie Roznavok looks at the weird creations of modern art.

Working on an art project , Chris Schultz uses yarn to make his materpiece.



Learning about other cultures was one of the main purposes of the Spanish Club. The club tried to show its members how people in that country worked, played, and lived; at the same time, the members participated in different evemts to enhance their proficiency in speaking that language. This group made learning fun.

As Spanish Club President Angela Perez said,"Although the club is small, it is still big enough for everyone to enjoy. For example, going to eat Mexican food is a favorite for the group. Also, we help the students have a sense of belonging which makes me and Mrs. Delgado, the sponsor, feel proud."

Of course, like all organizations, this one had to have fund raisers. The club chose to have a bake sale and participate with a booth at Spooktacular. Everyone agreed it had been a most enjoyable year.







Serving herself food at a Spanish Club meeting Melissa Alazondo decides what to eat while Martin Gonzales helps. Sometimes decisions get really tough when it all looks so good.

Making sure things are in order for the sale , Peggy Dominguez arranges the tables while Angela Perez listens to a friend's conversation.

Taking a break after a long, hot day , Gracia Gardner and Jennifer Stafford get a drink to cool off a bit, while Angela Perez talks to a customer about the day's events.

Eating food during the Cinco de Mayo party , Paul Torrex, Roman Ramirez and Juan Garcia joke around. This is a day and a time to be enjoyed by all.

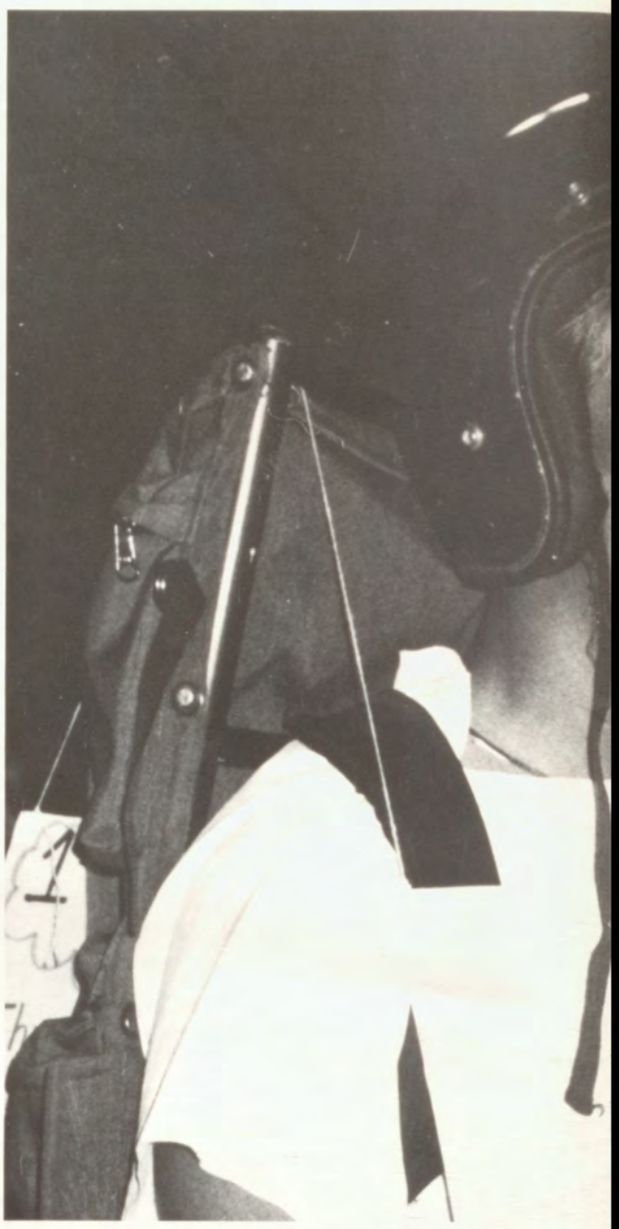
Learning with the Masters

One of the busiest clubs on campus would have to be Latin Club. The club spent many hours getting ready for its two main projects, the Ides of March exhibit and the annual Slave Day ceremonies. The club's sponsor, Mrs. Kaye Schaefer, and their president, Chris Lee, kept everyone involved and on task as the year progressed.

The Ides of March was celebrated by displaying Latin projects in the library for the school and community to enjoy. The projects showed a lot of hard work with exhibits ranging from typical Roman diets to replicas of Roman life and culture. They even had a chariot with some rather unique drivers. One exhibit thatseemed to catch a lot of attention used live goldfish.

The popular Slave Day ceremonies was a favorite event. All students enjoyed watching a slave obey the wishes of a master for the day. The slaves consisted of Latin I students and, of course, the masters were Latin II students.

This club was an excellent example of an organization where learning, friendship and fun were all combined.

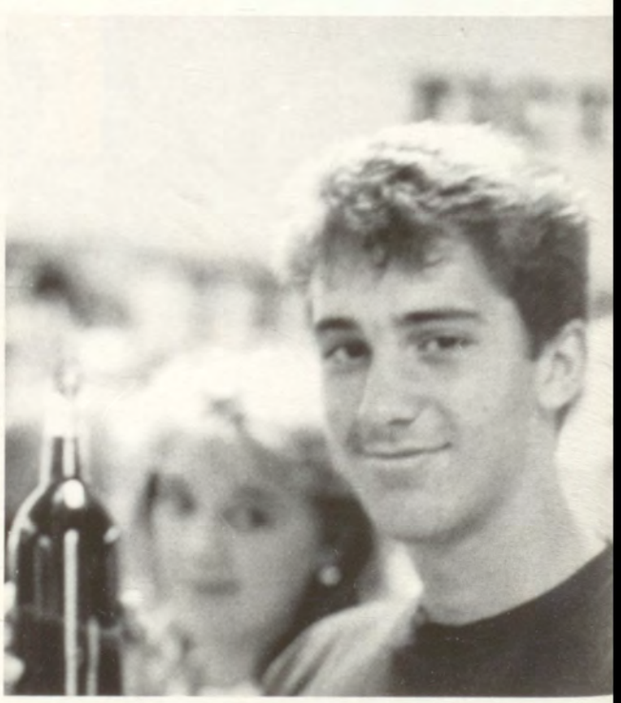






Looking at one of the projects, Troy Cervenka, Toby Branson and Chad Marek try to decide which chariot will win the race.

Deciding on the purpose of the project, Alma and Gidget Lackland examine the volcano and its village below.



Smiling crazily, Chris Cook holds up a bottle of what appears to be Roman wine. The Romans had wine as a drink with their meals.



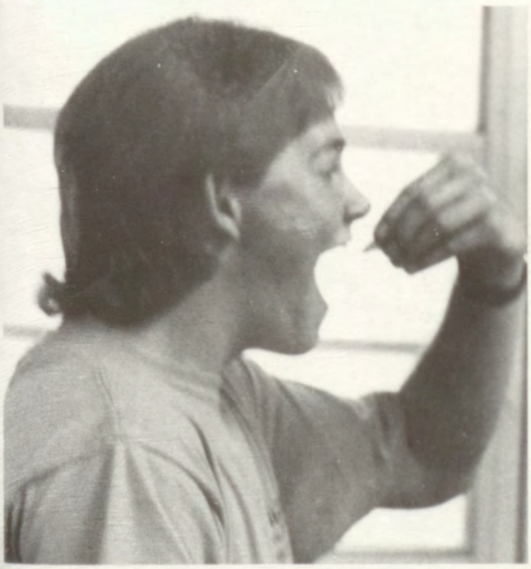


Showing the effects of being a slave, Will Manning smiles tiredly while Randall Fischer looks on.

Explaining one of the Latin projects, Cheryl Chapa shows her knowledge of Roman History.

Hoping their masters won't make them do anything, LeAnne Mueller and Tami Miller stand quietly as ordered by their master.





Showing some of his good naturedness, Aaron Maxwell threatens to try a little raw goldfish. Bet you can't eat just one!



Latin Club Officers are: Chris Lee-Pres., Brandt Rydell-V-Pres.,Chad Marek-(standing in for Carrie Schmidt-Sec.),Nicole Mohel — Tres., and Aaron Maxwell — Parl.



Laying out the newspaper , June Simcik studies the pages of the senior issue to see that nothing has been left out.

The Senior Mallard Staff Members

Waiting for the perfect shot , Crystal Marx, a Cotton Boll photographer, takes pictures at a pep-rally.







Taking a few minutes to grab a bite to eat , David Daniel and Julie Keese listen to Ms. Parsons discuss pictures needed for Mallard.



Mallard Staff member Lisa Taylor , thumbs through pictures while preparing her spread for the yearbook.



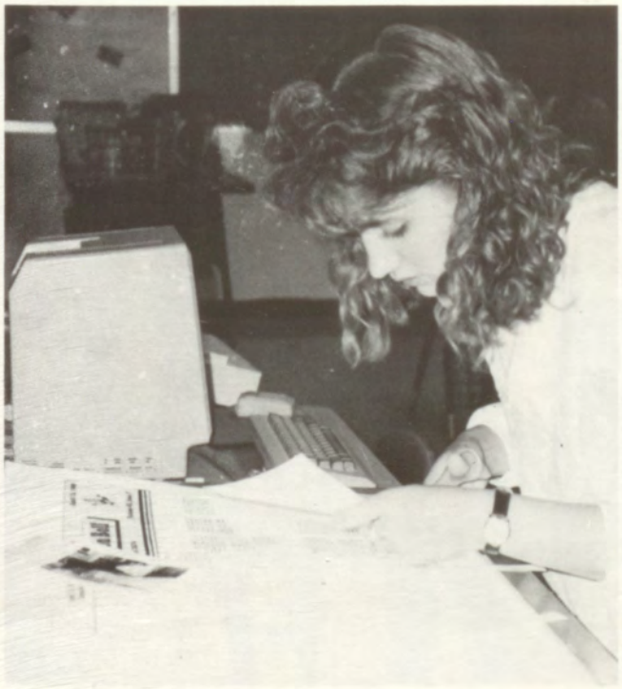
MADE TO ORDER

A great deal of time and hard work went into the the Mallard and the Cotton Boll. Being a staff member required skills in photography and writing as well as a great deal of effort and dedication. Members of Mallard and Cotton Boll worked hard to produce publications that the whole student body would enjoy.

Although Mallard has been honored by many prestigious awards in the past, this year the book was not entered in contest. We decided that we wanted a fun book which did not follow all of the contest rules. Cotton Boll, however, did very well in contest. They received a first place award from the American Scholastic Press Association,and they also received the Award of Achievement in Journalism from the Interscholastic League Press Conference.

Both staffs dedicated long hours and tremendous effort to the production of the yearbook and newspaper and their hard work has paid off.







Working in the darkroom , Klifton Kruger, state award winning sports photographer for Mallard and Cotton Boll smiles as David Daniel snaps his picture.

Getting things together , Cotton Boll co-editor Tami Campbell designs a layout for the paper.

Taking time out , Nikki Cochran and Tami Wilkins discuss their deadline during their first period Cotton Boll.

TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF

One of the more recently formed clubs was Ducks Against Drugs, an anti-drug/alcohol organization. The purpose of this club was to guide high school students away from the use of drugs and alcohol. Officers and members of the organization worked to improve the environment for teens in our community. They tried to provide alternatives for the drinking plans of many students who thought that was the only way to enjoy themselves. The group sponsored many events during the year such as parties, dances, and picnics. Many members attended a workshop in Georgetown where they discussed with other organizations how to get people interested and involved. The club increased in number and will hopefully continue to grow. The idea and efforts of Ducks Against Drugs has brought us a step closer to changed habits in the high school community. Hopefully we will continue to see that banded together, we can make a difference.







Enjoying the festivities, Naomi Pasemann and Stephanie Volek join in the fun at the Ducks Against Drugs Picnic.

Telling her partner to catch, Cherry Fugate participates in a balloon toss at a club outing.

Playing in the water, Cherry Fugate and Stacy Caplinger walk along the lake at the picnic.





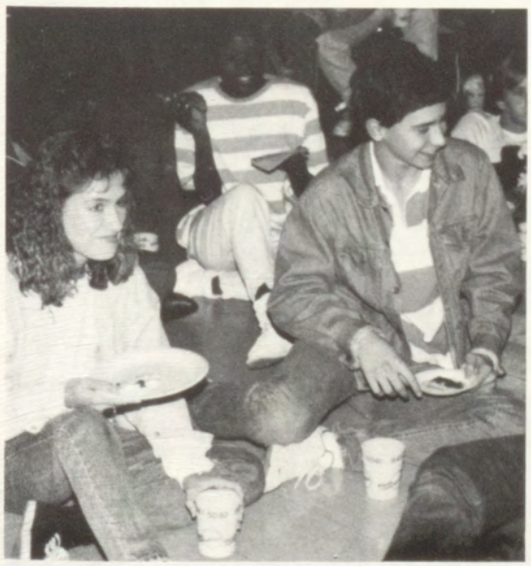


Trying not to get wet, Jamie West and Molly Griffith take part in a balloon toss at Granger Lake.

Running the show, president of DAD,Cherry Fugate goes over the agenda for the year.

Watching others have fun for a while, Kim Winkler and Shannon Rowley kick back and relax for a few minutes.





Taking part in the chemical free fun, Candy Kallus and Shane Kostroun enjoy themselves at a postgame pizza party.



Munching on pizza after the football game, David Daniel and Clayton Rhoades watch movies provided by DAD.

Practice Makes Perfect









Practicing just one more time before performing, Nicole Tone and Charlotte Zett try to perfect their routine.

Twirlers are: Nicole Tone, Melissa Marx and Charlotte Zett

Entertaining the crowd, Charlotte Zett and Nicole Tone show off their jazzy steps.

Taking advantage of Homecoming pep-rally, Tanya Thomas displays just a few of the new steps performed by the flag corp.



Perfection doesn't come easy. It takes a lot of hard work, practice and patience. Sometimes we felt like giving up, but because we had to look our best out on the field, we kept trying until it was perfected. Feeling nervous before performances made it even harder to concentrate on our routines, but our nerves built up a resistance to pain. After all, perfect practice equaled perfect performance. No matter how many times we performed during the year, it was hard to be in front of an audience without breaking into a cold sweat. Working on that first performance was always a time that you never forgot. Going through all of the rehearsals brought us closer together to the band members. We became a unit, all striving for the same goal. The work was difficult, but it was almost always most gratifying, at least we felt that way at the end of each performance. We knew we had done our very best.







Posing for a picture, Emily Taylor, Carla Terry, Valencia Henry, Nicole Kallus, and Tonya Thomas get ready to perform.

Concentrating on the rountine that she is about to perform, Nicole Tone makes sure she knows the necessary counts.

Watching her fellow twirlers to be sure they are all together, Melissa Marx performs at one of the weekly halftime shows.

Members of the Silks are: Petra Moreno, Monica Alderete, Tonya Thomas, Kristi Kitchens, Emily Taylor, Tina Woods, Nicole Kallus, Valencia Henry, Barbara Martinez, and Carla Terry.

An Extraordinary Year

A new year, a new wave. This was one extraordinary year. With great change in how we did things, we learned that having two male cheerleaders helped build spirit and pyramids.

Pep-rallies turned out to require a lot of planning. For a week, we planned the cheers, skits, performances and speakers as well as painting signs and gathering costumes. We rehearsed the pep rally in order to see how long it would be, and cut or lengthened the performance where necessary. We had a good time, but we found we were really busy people.

The day of the games, we were even busier. We painted signs and did everything we could to build spirit. When the crowd got quiet during the games, it was our job to get them back into the spirit and cheer "our Ducks" on to **VICTORY!!**







J.V. Cheerleaders are: Molly Griffith, Coleen Leschber, Tonya Jefferson, Dana Mohel, Lisa Jefferson, Jessica Ortiz, Anna Flores and Gracie Gonzales.

Admiring the football players, the J.V. cheerleaders get intense while hoping for a touchdown.



During an afternoon pep-rally, the cheerleaders create a difficult pyramid in order to pep up the student body crowd for the game.





Cheering the crowd on, The Varsity cheerleaders create a grade-A pyramid.

Leading the cheer, Kim Winkler smiles at the crowd.

Getting together at the midnight pep rally, the varsity cheerleaders pose for a quick picture.





Yelling into the crowd, Tami Campbell raises the crowd's spirits.



The Varsity Cheerleaders are: Kristi Johnson, Martin Gonzales, Carl Larson, Nikki Urbis, Kim Winkler, Tami Campbell, Ursurla Anderson, Lisa Lener.

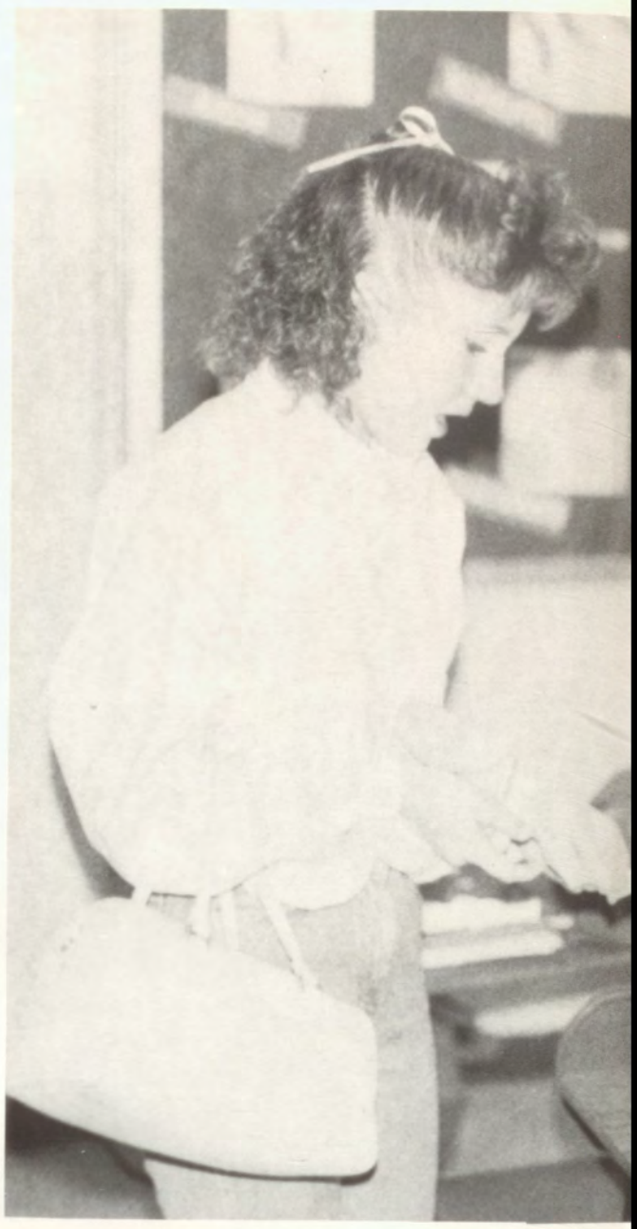
THS offered so many organizations that everyone was able to find something that interested them. Two such clubs were Mu Alpha Theta and German Club.

MAΘ was for more than just math enthusiasts; it recognized all students who demonstrated a particular aptitude for math. Mu Alpha Theta raised our school spirit and earned money for their annual scholarships by selling Taylor Duck banners and spirit towels. This year Dixie Ross combined fun and learning by taking the club on a trip to the Science and Technology Fair at Palmer Auditorium.

German Club was another club that was very active. Besides learning about the language and culture in class, they experienced it by participating in a German Christmas service at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and eating at the German restaurant, Guthers. On the lighter side, they sold M&M's to finance an anticipated trip to Astroworld. They also participated in an "international" soccer match with the Latin Club.

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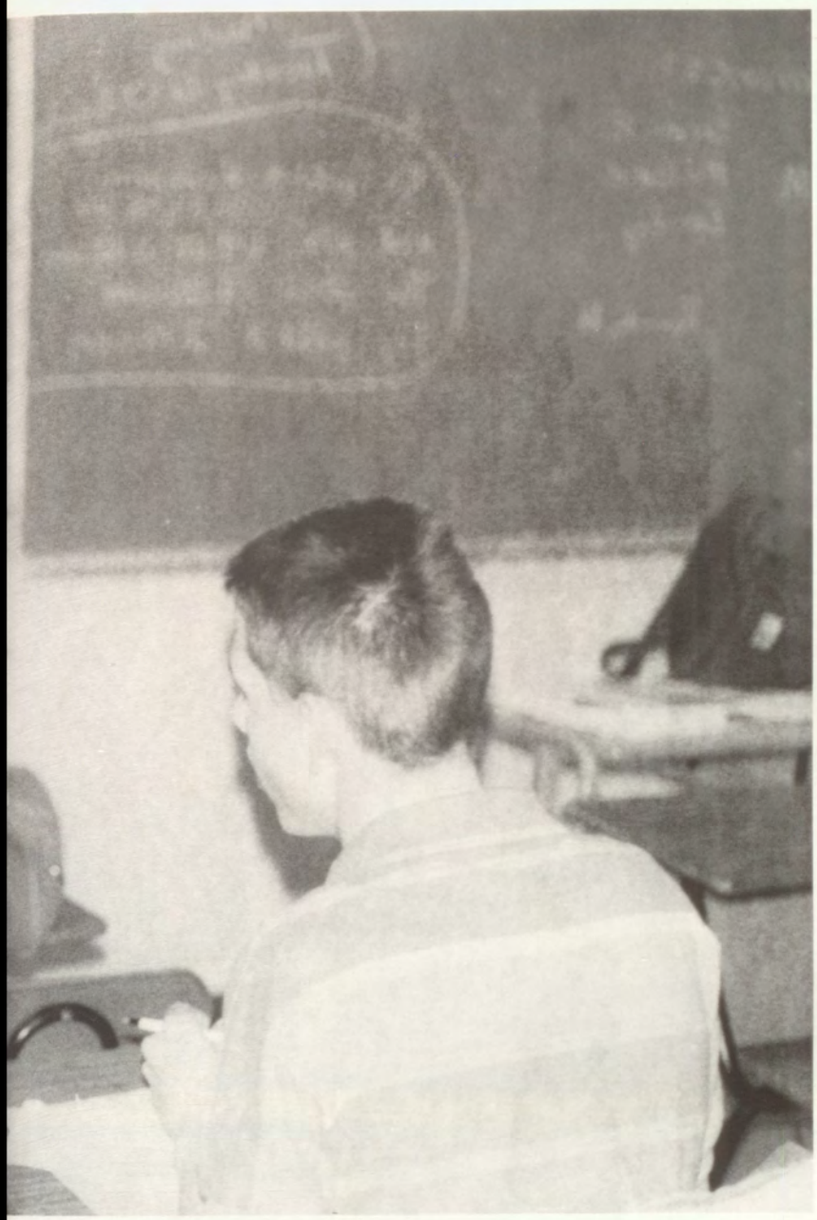


Experiencing life in America, German citizen Eva Szikora helps the German Club members learn more about her culture.

Hanging posters in German class, students in Mrs. Jackson's class see many different German scenes.



Selling MAΘ banners, Nikki Cockran solicits Clayton Rhoades and Melanie Spurgeon.



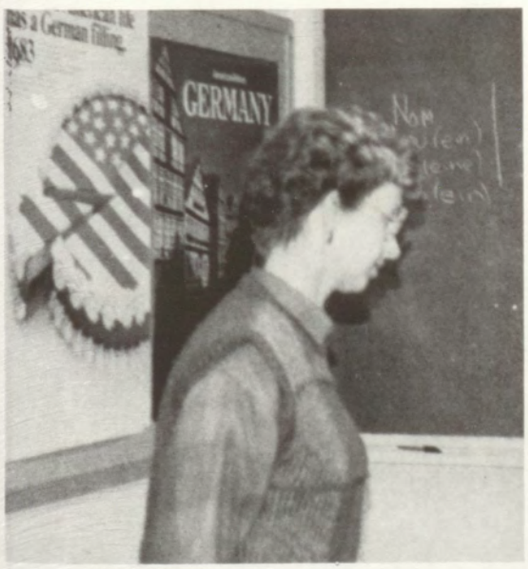


Discussing Mu Alpha Theta Business, Christy Caldwell and Robert Kollman, exchange ideas about a fundraiser.

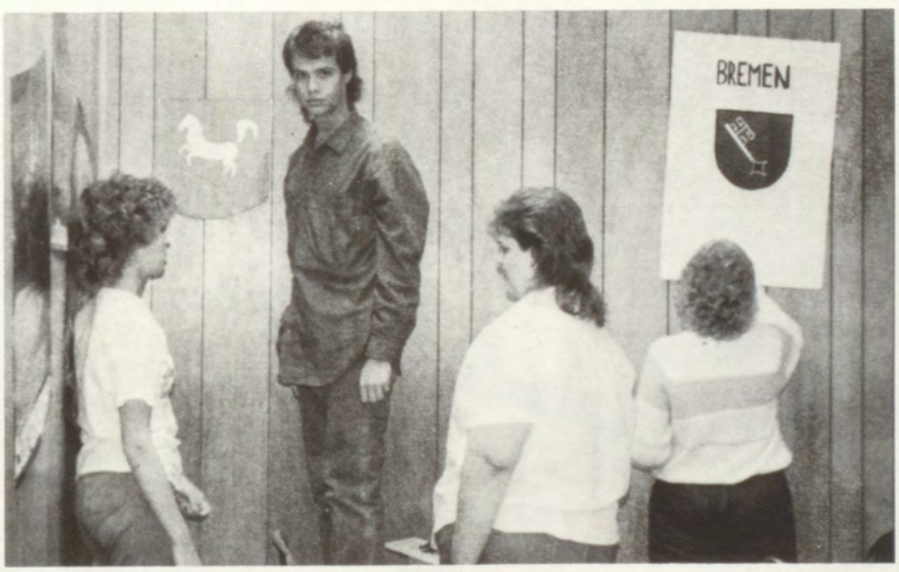
Receiving her membership pin from MAΘ President, Jeff Frankeny, Pam Fischer looks at fellow classmates.

Finding humor in the MAΘ trip, Randall Fischer poses with a cardboard figure.





Decorating the room with some German posters, the club wonders about German life and customs.



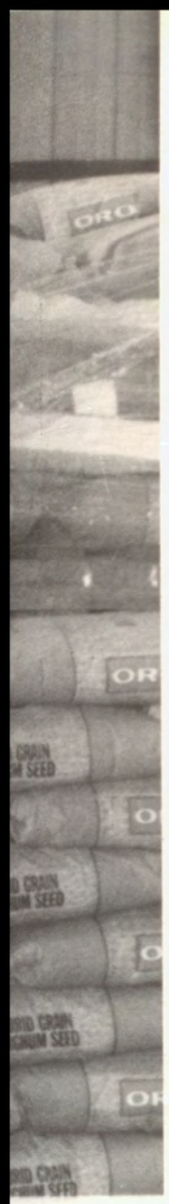
Expressing herself in German, teacher Betty Jackson often leads in classroom German conversations.







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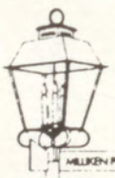


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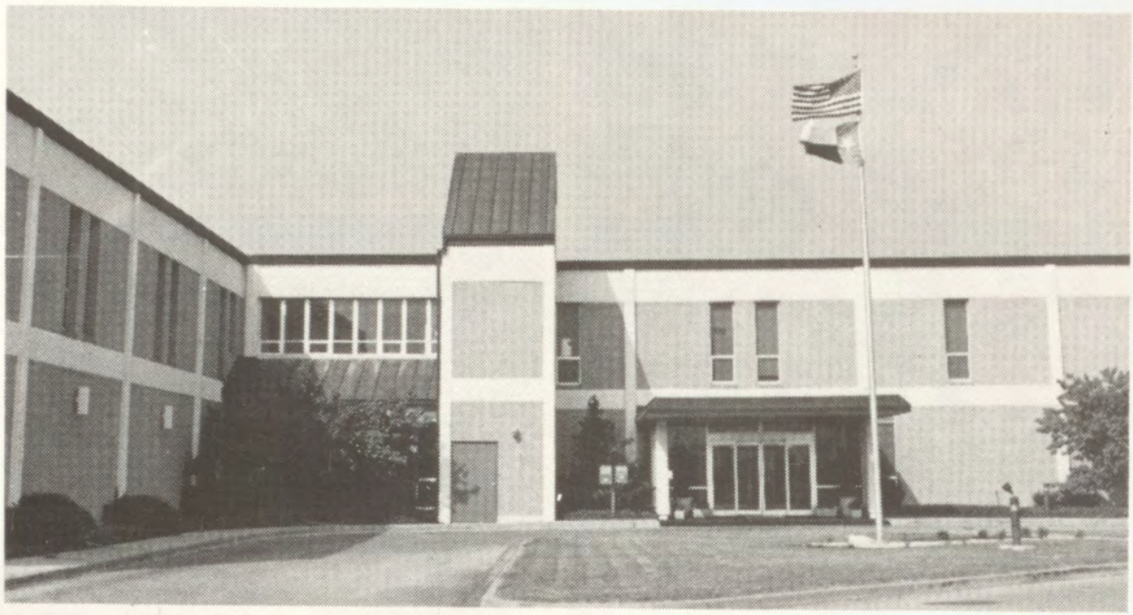
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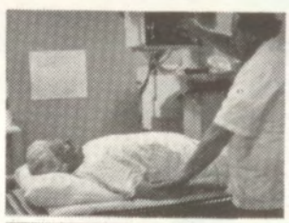


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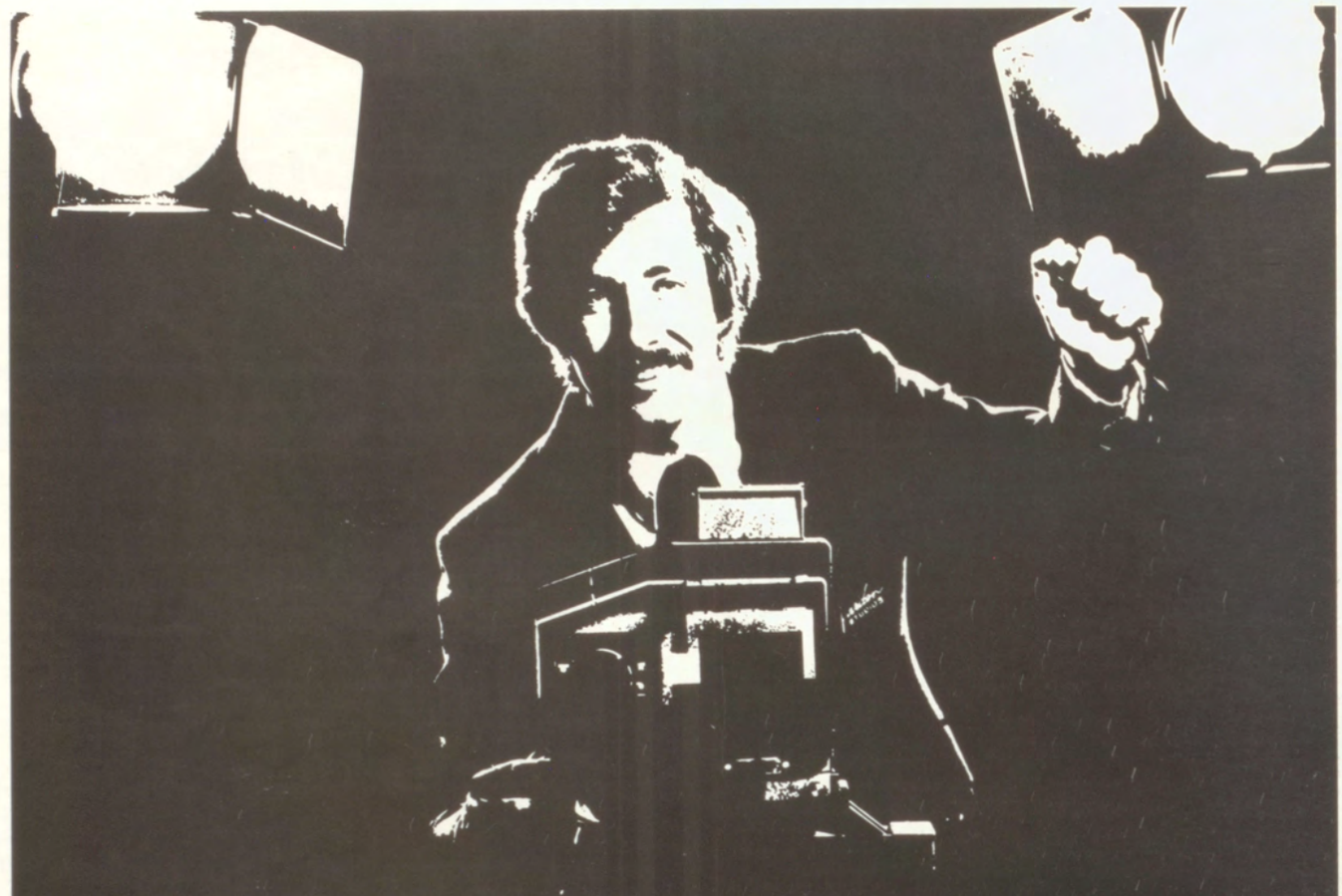
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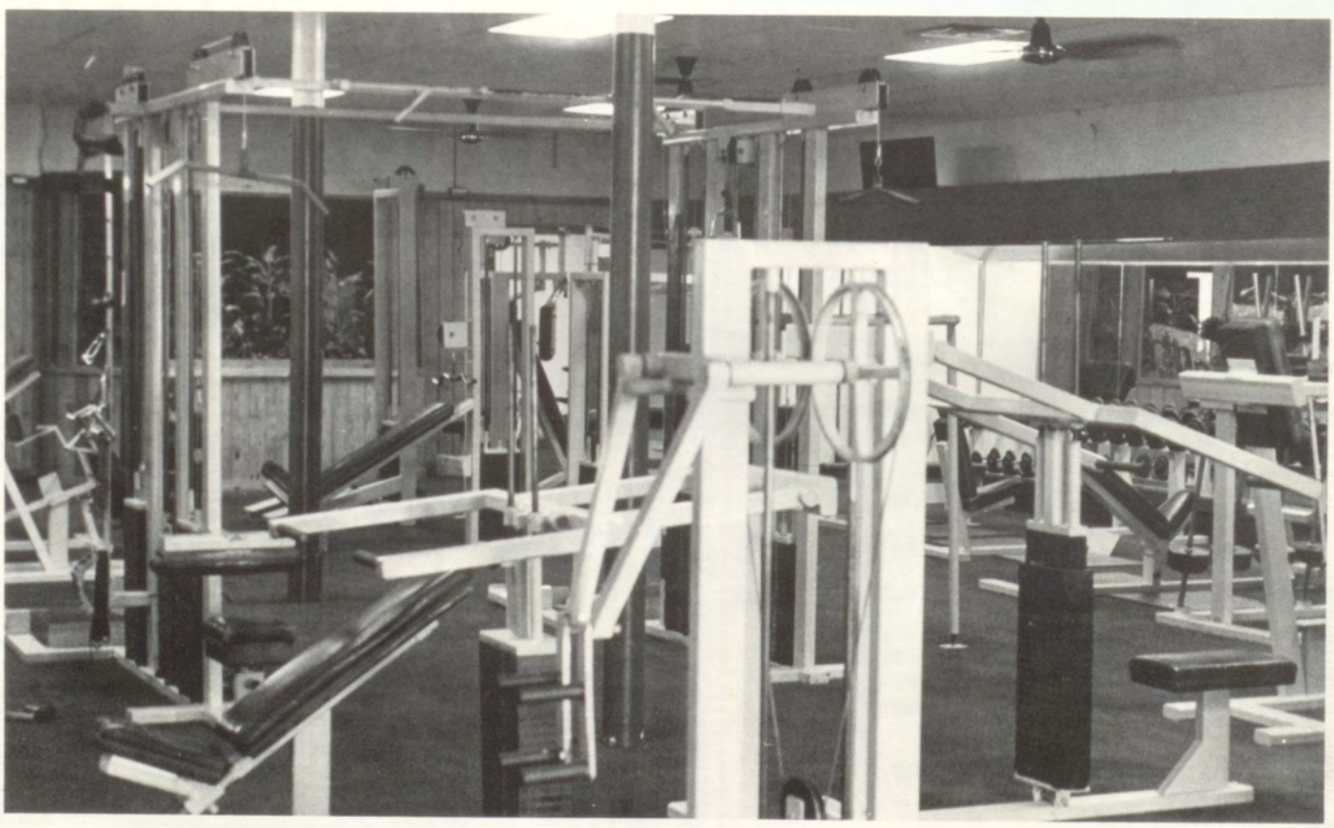
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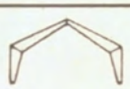
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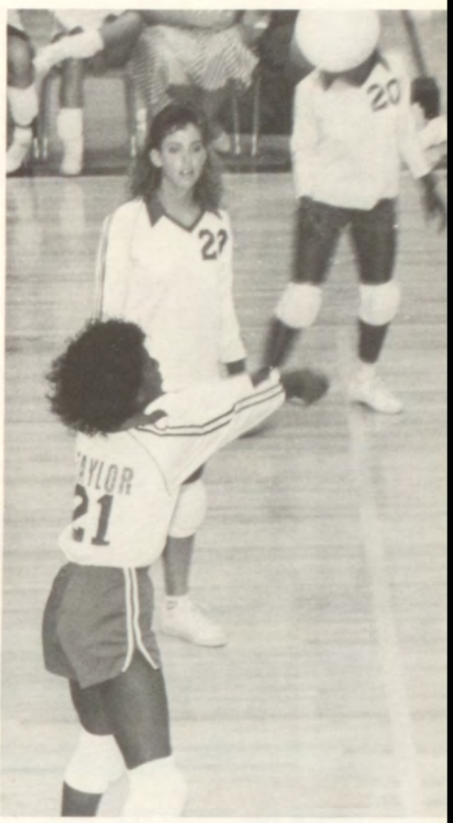
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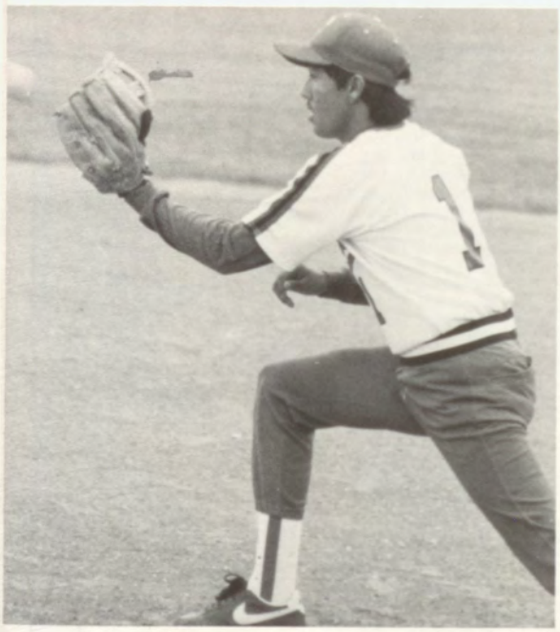


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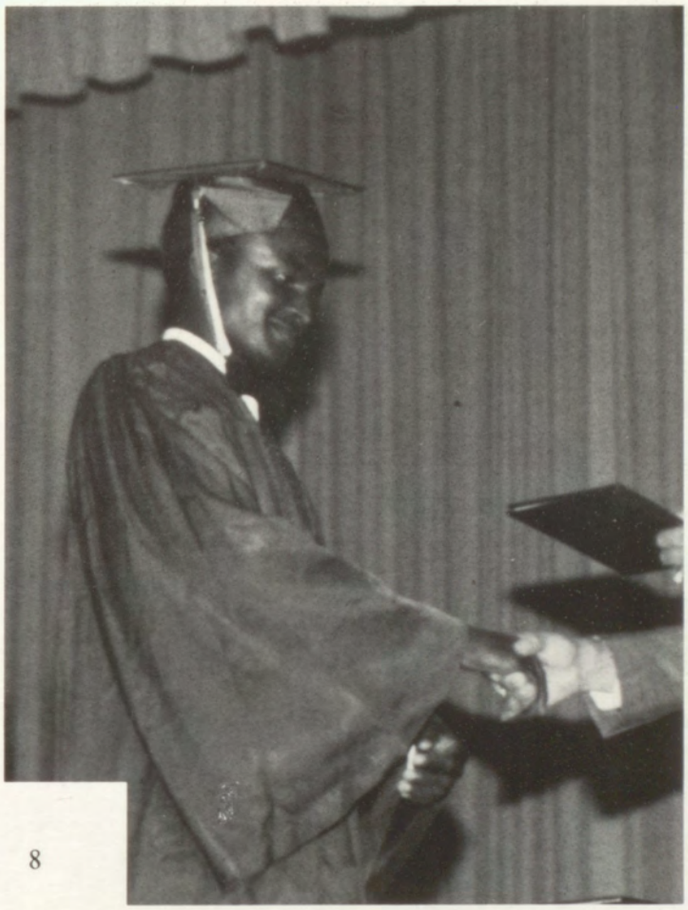


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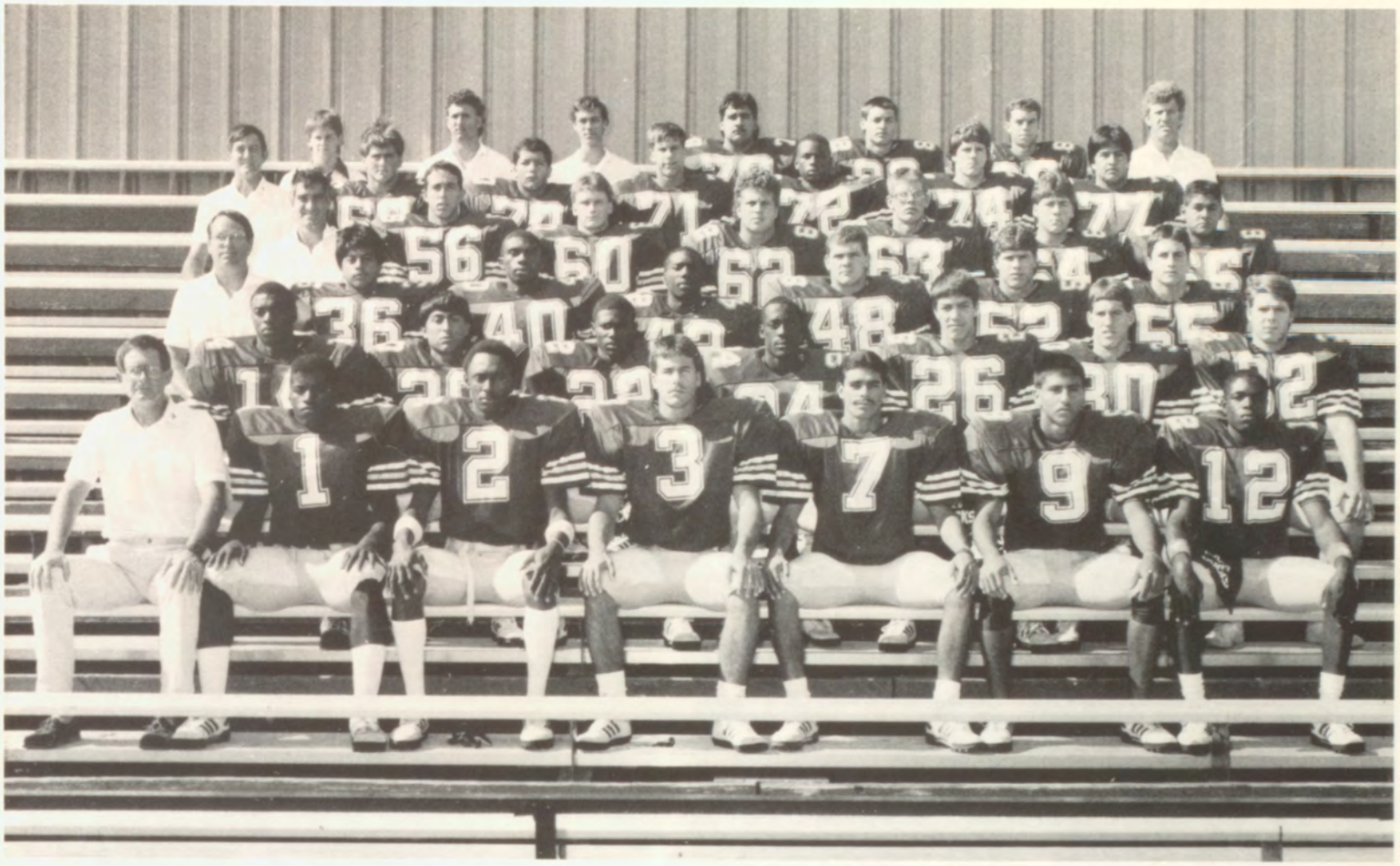
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