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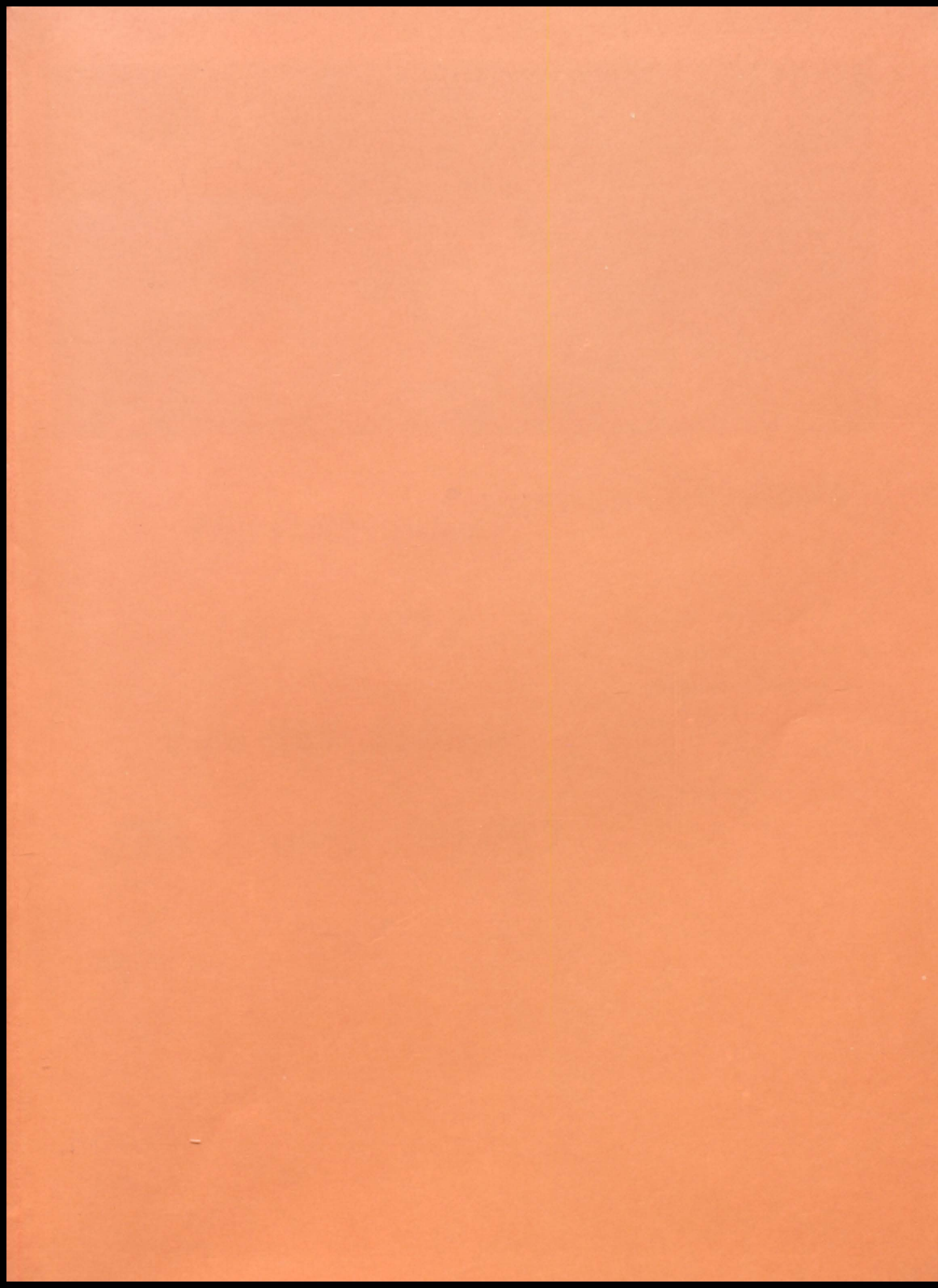


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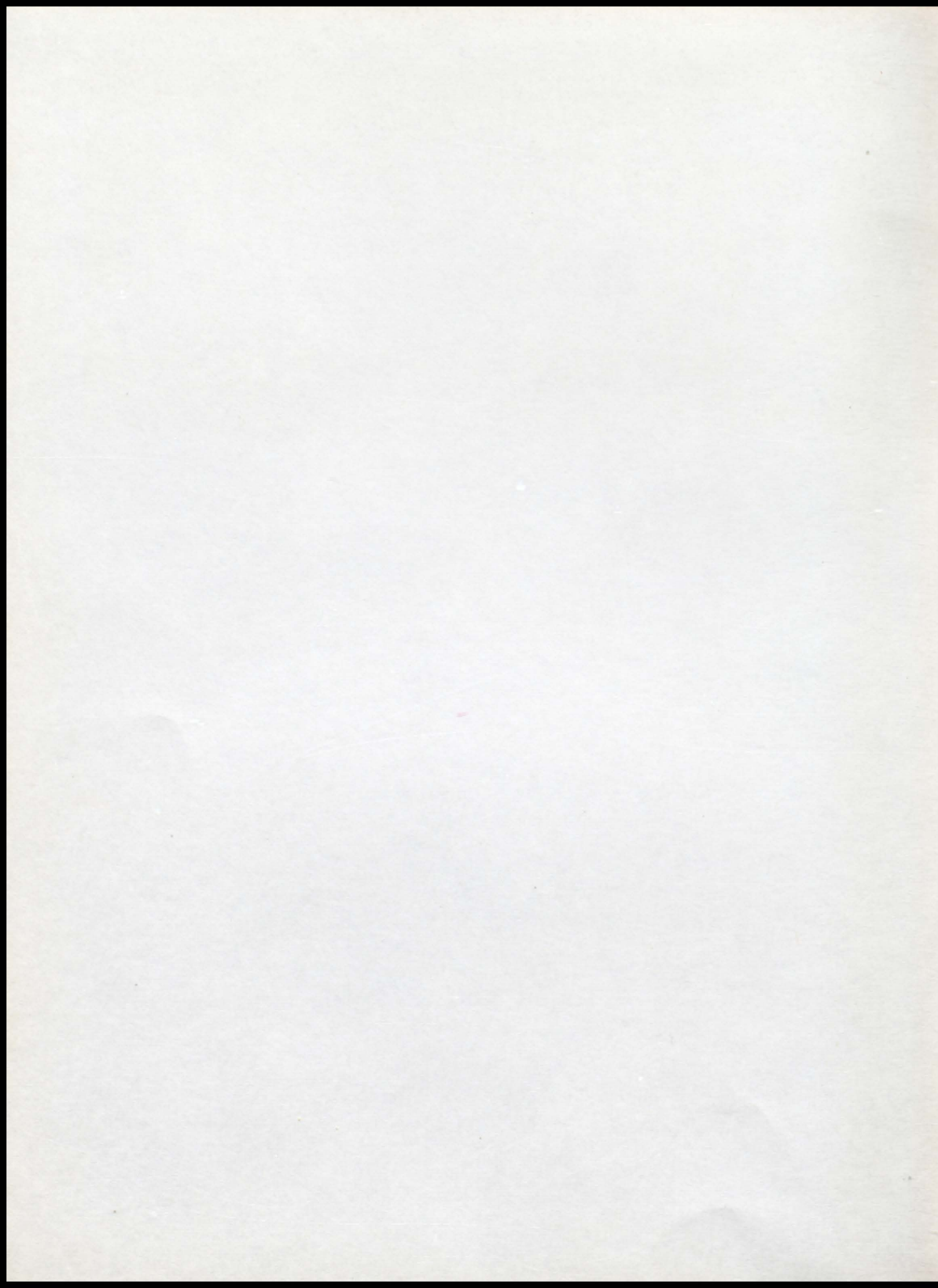
















## *The Railroader*

**1976-1977**

## *Ellis High School*

**Ellis, Kansas 67637**

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## *Bridges Join Old With New as Students Cross*

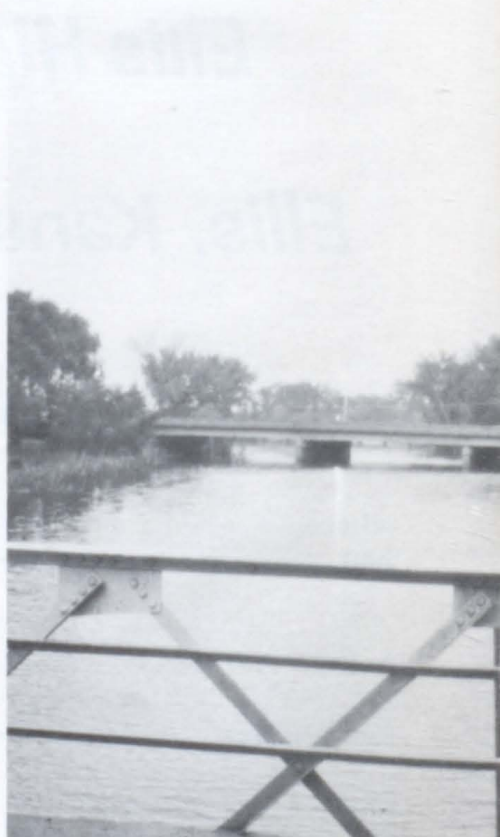
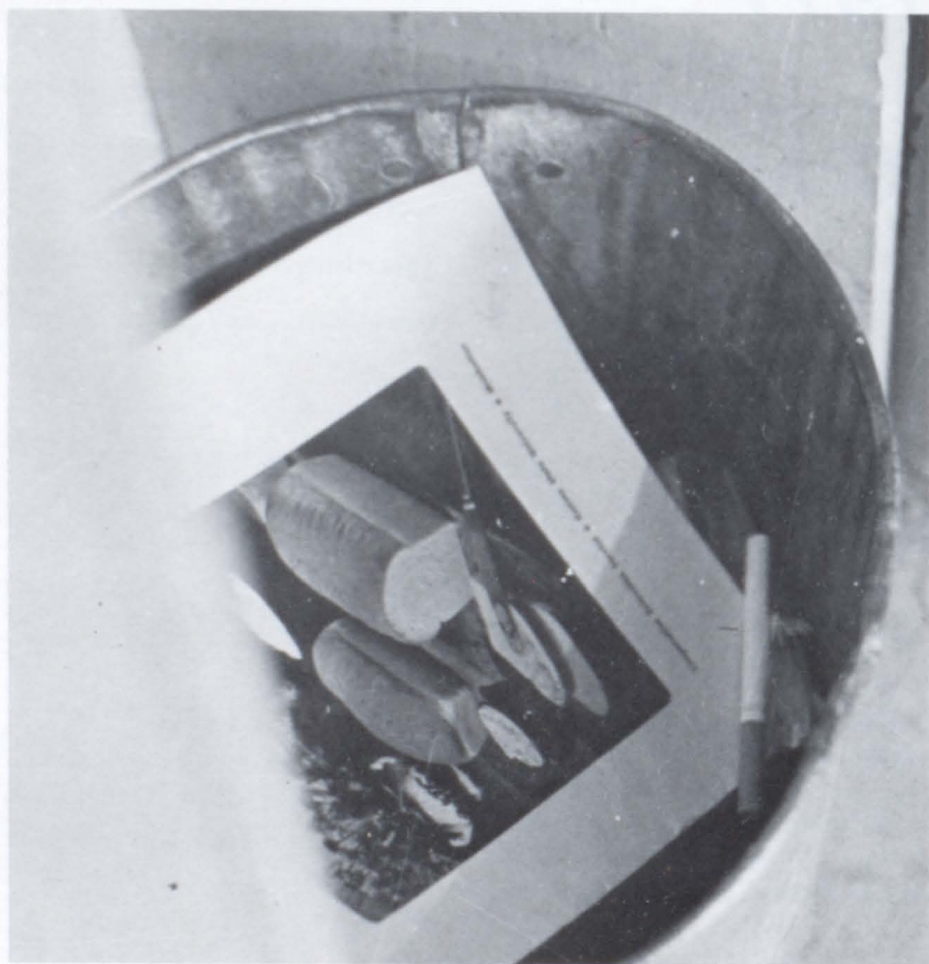




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## *From the Old Surroundings to New Experiences*





## *Many Familiar Settings Remain*



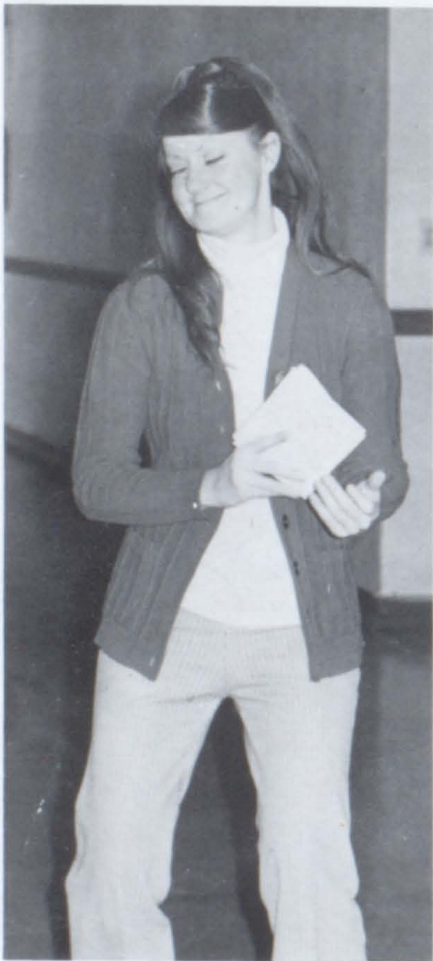
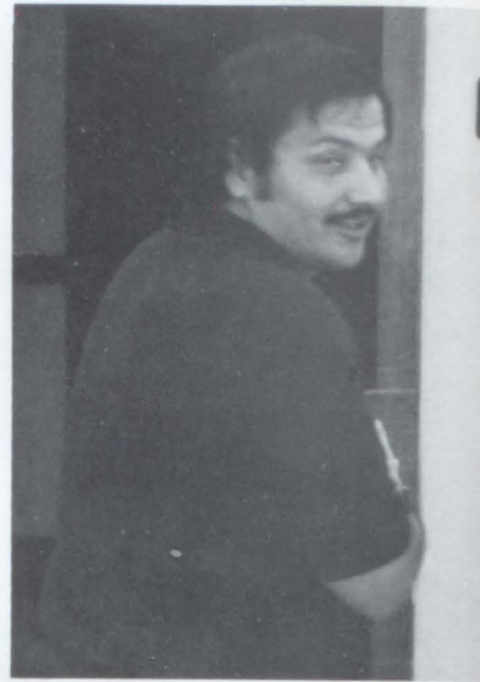


## *In the Framework of Our Lives*





## *Developers Model and Shape*



## *The Students' Foundations*





## *Feelings Are Molded*





## *By High School Life*





## *Education Opens Roads*

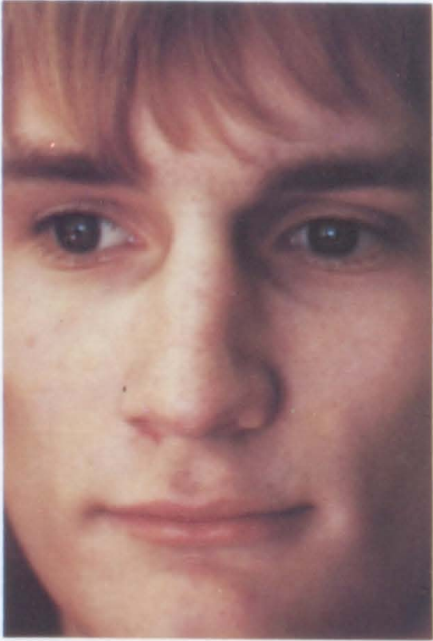


*To New Opportunities*





## *School Memories*





## *Span a Lifetime*





# Rise and Shine

1) Getting out of bed is a start for each day. 2) A nice hot, or cold shower will start the day fresh. 3) Terry Henderson is fully clothed to begin a hard day. 4) Final touch-up makes preparation complete as demonstrated by June Erbert.



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Opposite Page: 1) A nutritious breakfast gives Anita Kinderknecht the energy for the morning ahead. 2) After breakfast, Anita leaves for school. 3) Mainstreet comes alive as people make their way to school.



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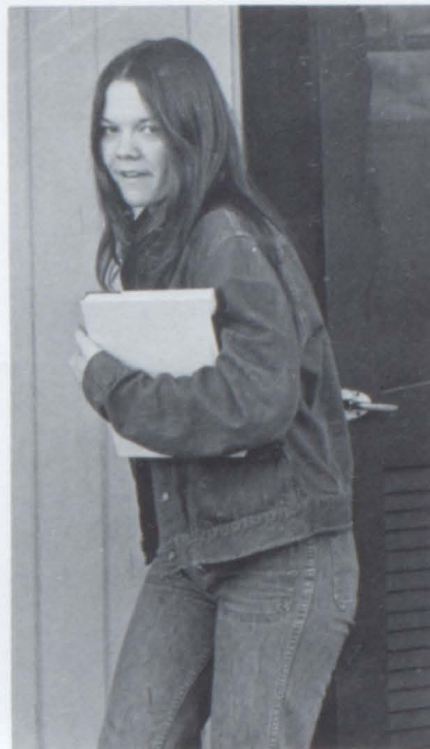
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## *Daybreak*

The sun marks the beginning of a new day. This beginning has a special and different meaning to each and every one of us.





# Personnel Works Hard

We students are indebted to the cooks, bus drivers, and janitors of our school. They put in long hours. Bus drivers transport students to and from school safely. Feeding students a nutritious lunch is the cooks' main goal. Janitors give the kids a clean school to be proud.



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1) Bus drivers: left to right, Front Row: Bob Armbrister, Stan Bittel, and Ray Eaton. Back Row: Ray Kroeger, Art Kroeger, Kenny Herman, and Bill Farr. 2) Janitors: L-R Charlie Waldschmidt, Blair Furbeck. 3) Cooks: L-R Billie Bollig, Barbara King, and Caroline Schumm.





## Staff Provides Assistance



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Taking care of the enormous paperwork and accounts is the responsibility of the school secretaries. With the help of the librarians, they run the internal framework of the school. The numerous duties of the librarians range from cataloging books to ordering new films, and other materials.

1) Librarians Pauline Deutscher, Rosetta Deutscher. 2) School District Bookkeeper - Marge Wiesner. 3) High school secretary - Dorothy Waldschmidt.





# Administrators Engineer Policy

Our school bosses, represented by the administration, make school policy. They work hard to ensure students of a good education. They have done a good job this year.

1) Superintendent R. D. Rorabaugh comes from a conference with Mr. Bray. 2) Principal George Bray dictates a letter to Mrs. Waldschmidt. 3) School board: L-R, Front Row: Sally Ward, Loren Gugler, Richard Disney - Pres., Laurien Leiker, and Rod Clark. Back Row: Art Honas, G. A. Surface, and Jim O'Rourke.



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# Teachers Help Build a Better Future

Just as an architect plans buildings, the teachers at E.H.S. help students plan their courses for the year. They cultivate the students' minds and encourage them to achieve. Teachers L. to R. Jeanette Billinger, Eng.; Tom Bowen, Boys P.E., Driver's Ed.; Glenn Davis, Band, Chorale; Pauline Deutscher, Lib. Sc.; Virginia Duell, Home Ec.; Sherri Faulkender, Eng.; Stan Faulkender, Art; June Glantz, Math, Typing; Patricia Heimer, Eng.



Patricia Hoke, Girl's P.E.  
John Kolacny, History  
Irene Kroeger, Typ.,  
Bookkeeping, Shorthand  
Dean Lavielle, Bio.  
Marion McGee, Ag.

Arlin Mills, Math, Chem.  
Jackie Neidig, Eng.  
Dwight Nelson, Mech. Dr.,  
Wood.  
Howard Raff, Psy., Soc.  
Leon Staab, Ger., Journ.





# Arrival Begins Another School Day

1) Mr. Staab gives advice to one of the journalism students. 2) Explaining the basics of English to her class is Mrs. Faulkender. 3) Mr. Raff fills out numerous reports. 4) Running off speech material is Miss Neidig. 5) Mr. McGee explains the basics of vocational agriculture.



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# *Arrival Begins Another School Day*



Another school day begins with the arrival of the students. They come to school by the various modes of travel ranging from walking to driving to riding the bus.

1) Bus riders, Eugene Schuster and Keith Gaschler walk the path to the high school. 2) Jumping off the bus is Curtis Zachman. 3) Blair Furbeck opens the door upon arrival at 6:00 a.m.







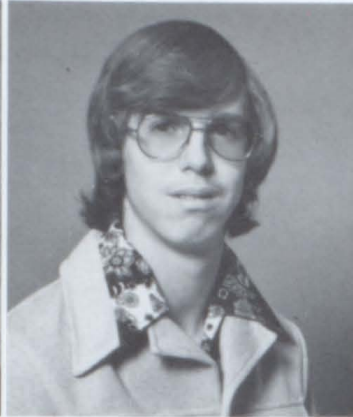
1) School buses offer an economical means of transportation to country kids. 2) Living close to school Debbie and Diana Mayes enjoy walking. 3) Rose Aschenbrenner and Dale Robinson enjoy goofing off before entering school.



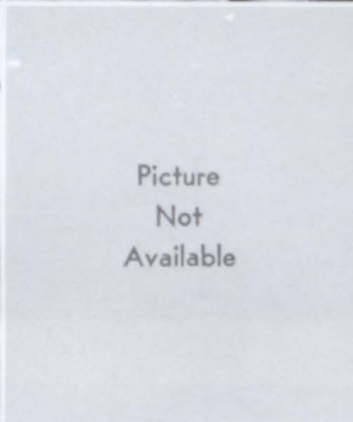


## *Seniors Pave the Way to Success*

Roy Allen Amrein  
Michael Augustine  
Sandra Ann Augustine



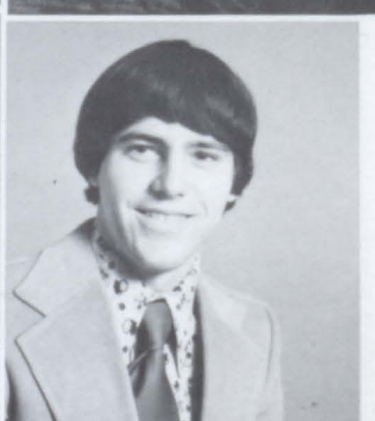
Stacy Marie Augustine  
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Dean R. Befort  
Karen Lee Befort Niernberger



Kathryn JoAnn Befort  
Juliet Marie Begler Honas  
Frederick Arthur Dietrich

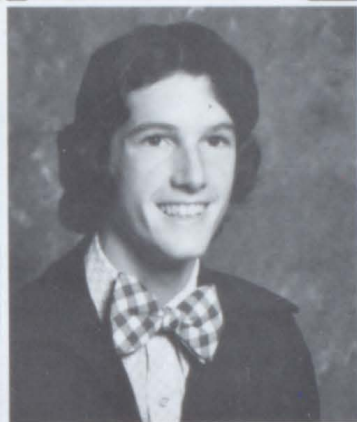




The 1976-77 school year was a year of nostalgia and of moving forward for the seniors. Throughout the year they anticipated graduation with mixed feelings as they were the last class to graduate from the old high school.



Kathleen Marie Downing  
Charla Kathryn Engel  
Steven Erbert



Tony Delbert Geschwentner  
Mary Lynn Gottschalk



Jean LaRae Haneke  
Brenda Sue Herman



Denise Hodges  
Kevin Harold Homburg  
Robert Honas



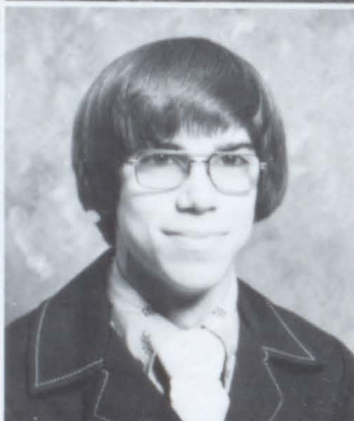
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Timothy Dean Keller



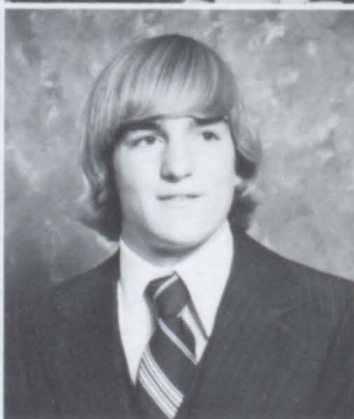
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Janetta Kinderknecht  
Melvin Leo Kinderknecht



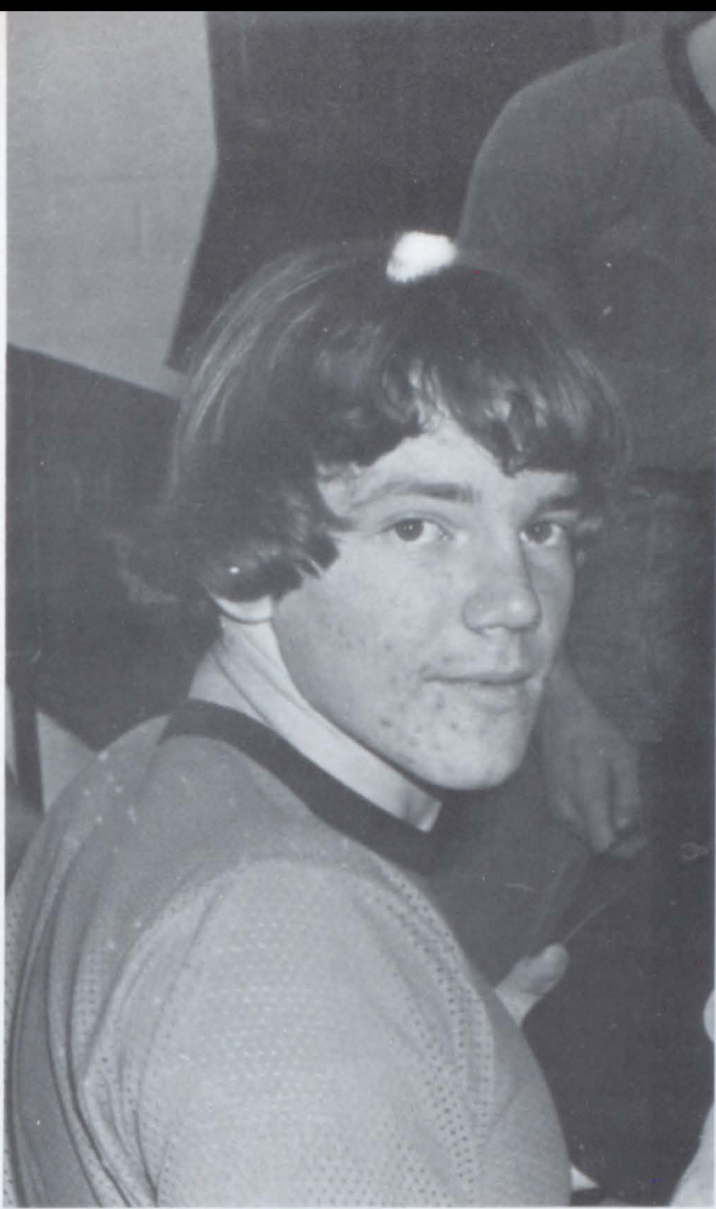
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Cecilia Marie Kutina



Debra Ann Lambrecht  
Donna Kay Lang  
Rodger Lang



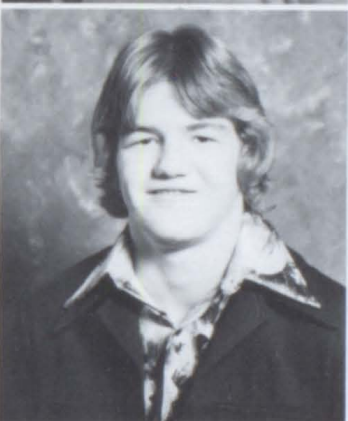




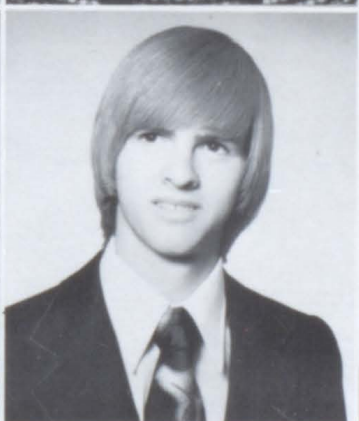
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Natalie Ann Lonnon



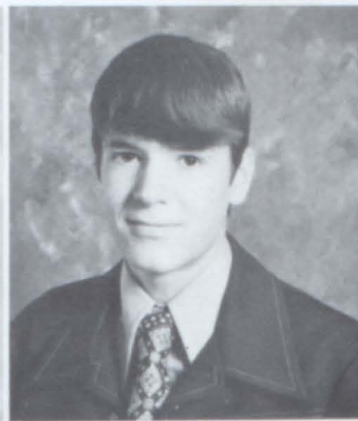
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Bonita Joy Matteson  
Kenneth Lee Mayes



Marc Jeffrey Payne  
Galen Mark Pfeifer  
Robin Luke Christopher  
Reitmeyer



Marvin Riedel  
Melvin Riedel  
David Lee Rorabaugh



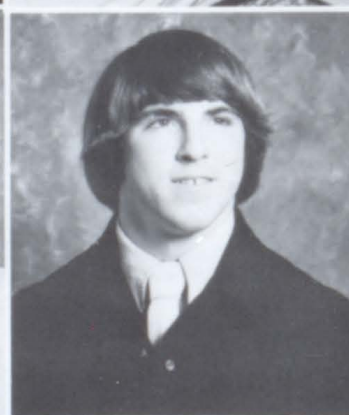
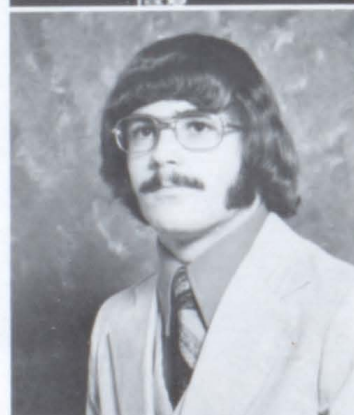
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Eugene Francis Schuster



Steven Craig Seibel  
Dean Allen Slaughter  
Andrea Lee Waldschmidt







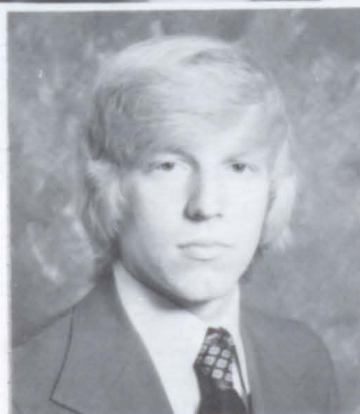
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Linda Katherine Werth



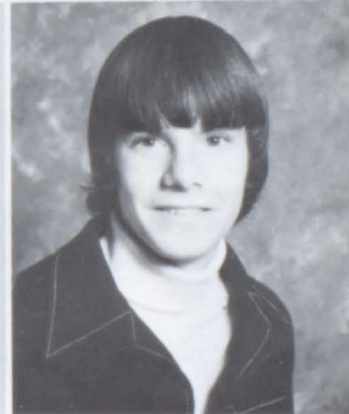
Rory Lee Wheeler



Barbara Rose Wiesner



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Ronald D. Wiesner  
Dale A. Williams  
Clark Bradley Yowell



# Students Make Tracks

Michelle Armbrister, Jr.  
Brenda Augustine, Jr.  
Randy Augustine, Jr.  
Larry Brack, Jr.  
Linda Brenner, Jr.



Veronica Brungardt, Jr.  
Steve Dennis, Jr.



Keith Deutscher, Jr.  
Sharon Disney, Jr.



Lloyd Dorzweiler, Jr.  
Cheryl Duell, Jr.



Caylia Engel, Jr.  
Debra Erbert, Jr.



Tony Erbert, Jr.  
Julie Ernst, Jr.



Virginia Fisher, Jr.  
Leroy Flax, Jr.  
Theresa Honas, Jr.  
Steve Flinn, Jr.  
Brenda Gaschler, Jr.

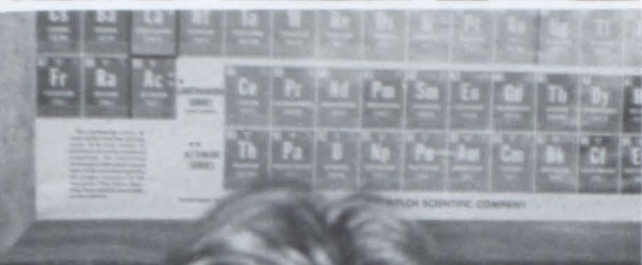




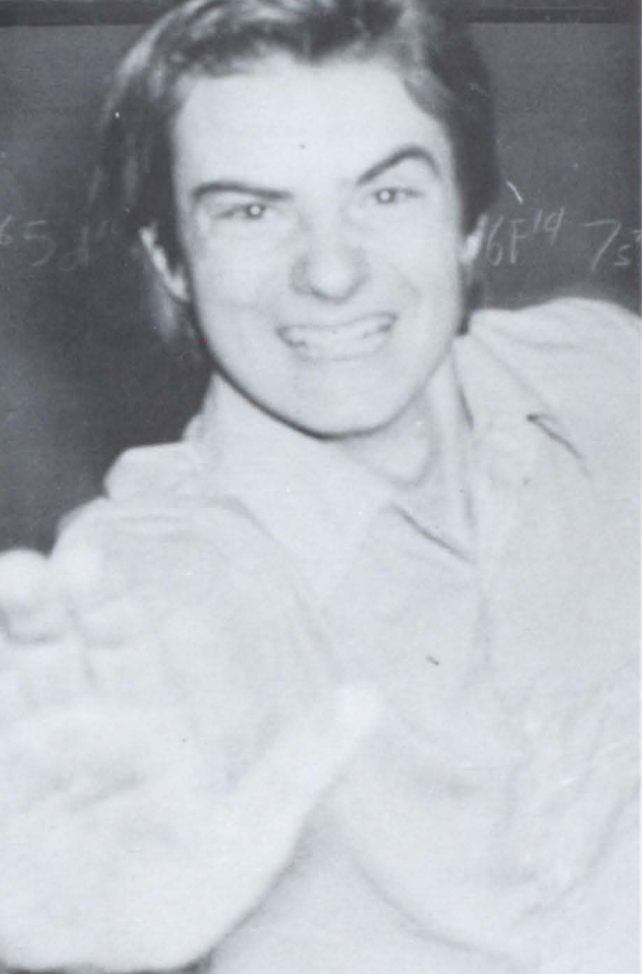
Throughout the year, the underclassmen prepared for the move to the new high school. During the year, the juniors were kept busy by prom, and choosing class rings. Sophomores spent their year in the concession stand, while the freshmen got acquainted with the high school routine.



Debbie Geschwentner, Jr.  
Jeff Geschwentner, Jr.  
Colette Gnad, Jr.  
Doug Gugler, Jr.  
Rex Hagen, Jr.



Marion Henderson, Jr.  
Terry Henderson, Jr.



Peggy Herman, Jr.  
Tim Herman, Jr.



Harold Honas, Jr.  
Mike Karlin, Jr.



Anita Kinderknecht, Jr.  
Gilbert Kinderknecht, Jr.



Evonne Koff, Jr.  
Alan Kohl, Jr.



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Jeanice Kritz, Jr.  
Mary Kuhn, Jr.  
Leland LaBarge, Jr.  
Joan Lambrecht, Jr.  
Greg Leiker, Jr.



Billie Mickelson, Jr.  
Joe North, Jr.  
Karl Peterson, Jr.  
Dave Pfeifer, Jr.  
Dale Robinson, Jr.



Pat Rupp, Jr.  
Gayle Schafer, Jr.



David Schuster, Jr.  
Cara Slaughter, Jr.



Curtis Weber, Jr.  
Geraldine Weber, Jr.



Leon Wiesner, Jr.  
Dennis Wolf, Jr.



Rose Younger, Jr.  
Curtis Zachman, Jr.



Elaine Amrein, So.  
Todd Armbruster, So.  
Darell Augustine, So.  
Donna Augustine, So.  
Roberta Augustine, So.







Jack Ball, So.  
Terry Basford, So.  
Bruce Befort, So.  
Jackie Begler, So.  
Mark Bieker, So.



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Mike Bieker, So.  
Marilyn Brack, So.



Steve Brack, So.  
Lynda Dietrich, So.



Andy Dinkel, So.  
Chester Dinkel, So.



Robert Disney, So.  
Christa Engel, So.



June Erbert, So.  
Mark Fabrizius, So.



Millie Flax, So.  
Keith Gaschler, So.  
Jeff Gertsner, So.  
Judy Gottschalk, So.  
Ann Henrickson, So.



Gregg Herman, So.  
Trena Hilgenberg, So.  
Andrea Honas, So.  
Kenny Honas, So.  
Deanna Keller, So.



Mark Kelly, So.  
Leslie Kinderknecht, So.



Wade King, So.  
Rickie Kuhn, So.



Verlene LaBarge, So.  
Greg Lambrecht, So.



Debbie Mayes, So.  
Gary Mehl, So.



Pat Patterson, So.  
Kevin Peterka, So.



Jolene Pfeifer, So.  
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Mike Riedel, So.  
Tim Roberts, So.  
Lisa Rupp, So.







Kevin Schamel, So.  
 Danny Schoenberger, So.  
 Clarence Steckline, So.  
 Nancy Trudeau, So.  
 Kim Turner, So.



Kelly Weber, So.  
 Tammy Wentworth, So.



Roy Wideman, So.  
 Ernie Wiesner, So.



Janet Wiesner, So.  
 Patty Williams, So.



Danny Wolf, So.  
 Candy Zachman, So.



Rose Aschenbrenner, Fr.  
 Leonard Augustine, Fr.



Glenn Bieker, Fr.  
 Mary Bittel, Fr.  
 Mike Bongartz, Fr.  
 Robert Brack, Fr.  
 Jeff Brack, Fr.



Tamera Desaire, Fr.  
Mike Dinkel, Fr.  
Greg Erbert, Fr.  
Tracy Erbert, Fr.  
Kay Ernst, Fr.



Rodger Fischer, Fr.  
Kevin Fox, Fr.



Tammy Gabel, Fr.  
Kim Geschwentner, Fr.



Michelle Glendenning, Fr.  
Grace Gnad, Fr.



Marvin Gnad, Fr.  
Gary Haas, Fr.



Danny Herman, Fr.  
Karla Herman, Fr.



Mark Honas, Fr.  
Bruce Houghton, Fr.  
Phil Huffman, Fr.  
Ronald Johnson, Fr.  
Danny Keller, Fr.





# Paula Still Likes Out Now More Than Ever



Brian Kinderknecht, Fr.  
Susan Kinderknecht, Fr.  
Wayne King, Fr.  
Ruth Knieling, Fr.  
Joleen Kuhn, Fr.



Gail Lambrecht, Fr.  
Clyde Lang, Fr.



Tammy Lang, Fr.  
Debbie Light, Fr.



Diana Mayes, Fr.  
Jeffrey Perez, Fr.



Tom Peterka, Fr.  
Marlene Pfeifer, Fr.



Roxie Ptaschek, Fr.  
Dee Dee Romey



Tina Schmidt, Fr.  
Dwight Schubert, Fr.  
Alane Slaughter, Fr.  
Terri Smith, Fr.  
Roger Solomon, Fr.



Geraldine Wagoner, Fr.  
 Judy Waldschmidt, Fr.  
 Mary Waldschmidt, Fr.  
 James Ward, Fr.  
 Mark Weber, Fr.



Mike Wentworth



Darryl Wiesner, Fr.



Donald Wolf, Fr.





## *Paula Still Lives On, Now More Than Ever*



Paula Fabrizius, class of 1978, was abducted from her Rangerette post at Cedar Bluff Dam early in the evening on August 17, 1976 and murdered. The following poem, written by an EHS student says it all.

She once was here  
But now she is gone,  
And everyone misses her dearly

A happy young girl  
Full of smiles and laughter  
Lives in our memories clearly.

Her life was so short,  
Her death so sudden,  
And now she is gone forever.

But she's still alive,  
If only in memories,  
Paula lives, now, more than  
ever.





# Stuco Plans Activities

Every first and third Thursday of each month has been set aside for the Stuco meeting. They plan activities for the student body under the leadership of President Galen Pfeifer and advisor, Mr. Bray.

1) Student Council Officers were Brenda Gaschler - Secretary, Alan Kohl - Treasurer, and Galen Pfeifer - President. 2) Stuco members were L to R, First Row: Charla Engel, Bernadette Weber, Jackie Begler, Peggy Herman, and Tony Erbert. Second Row: Bruce Houghton, Dennis Wolf, Steve Erbert, Tammy Gabel, and Kelly Weber. Third Row: Wayne King, Dave Rorabaugh and Gregg Herman.



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## Officers Lead Way

Class officers led the classes to a successful year. Each class had different projects. The Seniors worked to buy caps, gowns, and other graduation items. The Juniors worked to present the Jr.-Sr. Prom, and the Sophomores ran concessions. The Freshmen worked on the Homecoming Float and getting used to high school life.

1) The Junior Class Officers were Secretary - Gayle Schafer, Treasurer - Steve Flinn, President - Tim Herman, and Vice-President - Greg Leiker. 2) The Sophomore class was led by Les Kinderknecht - Treasurer, Kelly Weber - Secretary, Millie Flax - Vice President, and Bruce Befort - President. 3) Officers for the Class of '77 were Brad Yowell - Secretary, Kevin Homburg - President, and Rodger Lang - Treasurer. Karen Befort - Vice-President is not pictured. 4) Freshman Class Officers pictured are Greg Erberg - President, Danny Herman - Secretary-Treasurer, and Mark Bittel - Vice-President.



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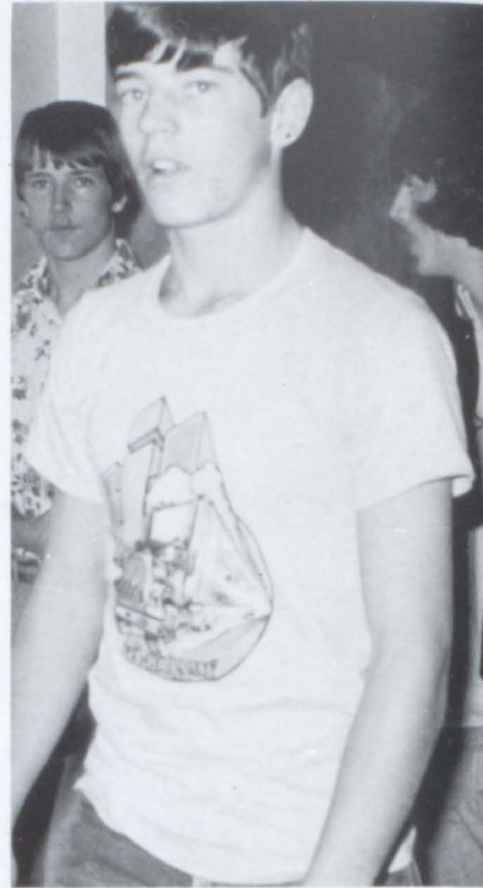
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1) June Erbert, Trena Hilgenberg, and Lisa Rupp visit during homeroom. 2) Todd Armbruster heads to homeroom. 3) Joleen Kuhn and Gary Haas use their homeroom as a study period.





# Homeroom Provides Students With a Study Period

Homeroom is a time to be used for class and club meetings. It is also to be used wisely as a study period but rarely is.



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1) Juniors select class rings during homeroom. 2) Tammy Gabel and Tina Schmidt wait for homeroom to begin.

3) Mike Wentworth and Mary Gottschalk can't seem to decide what they want to eat. 4) Donna Augustine, Bonnie Matteson, Miss Heidig, Christa Engel and Andrea Honas show their impression of homeroom. 5) Jack Ball seems surprised about something.



1) Candy Zachman looks at the completed door which was decorated for the Stuco door decorating contest. 2) Using no words or props, Steve Harris skillfully created a rich variety of characters and situation in a mime. 3) Among the many students who dressed up for 50's day during spirit week were these Junior boys.

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## Stuco Presents Entertainment

Lyceums and dances are among the many activities Stuco presented this year. Lyceums ranged from speakers to pantomimes. Stuco also presented the Homecoming and Sadie Hawkins Day.



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1) Freshman girls also dressed up for 50's day during spirit week. 2) Disc Jockey Roger Goering provides music at the Sadie Hawkins dance. 3) Music man Mike Sweeney entertains students at lyceum. 4) Stuco President Galen Pfeifer introduces the guest at a lyceum.





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1) Row 1: Judy W., Gail L., June E., Grace G., Ruth K., Diana M., Roxie P., Linda D. Row 2: Mary B., Tracy E., Candy Z., Millie R., Trena H., Joleen K., Joleen P., Janet W., Tammy G. Row 3: Debbie M., Kim G., Alane S., Andrea H., Donna A., Judy G., Deanna K., Elaine A., Roberta A., Karla H., Marlene P. Row 4: Debbie L., Nancy T., Terri S., Verlene L., Marilyn B., Tammy L., Kelly W., Kim T., Patti W., Crystal R., DeeDee R., Gerri W. 2) Row 1: Donna L., Jean H., Andrea W., Bonnie M., Charla E., Anita K., Brenda G., Joan L., Michelle A., Brenda A., Gin F., Geraldine W. Row 2: Mary K., Susie B., Julie E., Cecilia K., Barbara W., Peg S., Deb G., Deb E., Brenda H., Linda B., Sharon D., Colette G., Gayle S. 3) Kayette board members were: Front Row: Donna L., Bernie W., Charla E., Andrea W., Jean H., Geraldine W. Row 2: Brenda A., Michelle A., Mrs. Heimer. Sharon D., Roberta A., Lisa R., Millie F., Cheryl D., Mary K., Joan L., Gayle S.





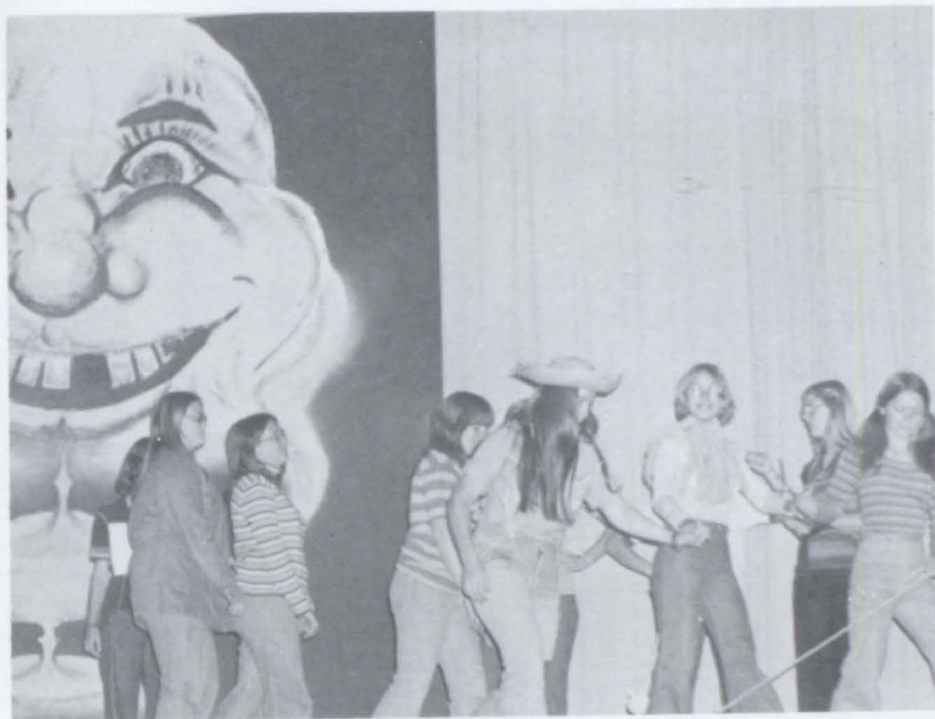
# Active Members Join Kayettes

The Kayettes had an active year. Members worked on various projects to attain the number of points necessary to attend Sno-ball in December and a skating party at the end of the year.

1) Kayettes fill their plates with the yummy food at the pot luck initiation supper. 2) Members act out the skit "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" at initiation. 3) At Christmas a sock and mitten tree was compiled by the Kayettes. 4) Tracy Erbert, Tammy Lang, Chelle Glendenning, Dee Dee Romey, and Karla Herman were winners of the Kayette Initiation dress-up.



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# FHA Strives to Attain Goals

The Future Homemakers of America reached an active and successful year. The members became involved in many projects in order to earn enough points to have the privilege of going to State Meeting in Topeka at the end of the year. Highlights of the year included the FHA dance held during FHA Week in February and the Parent Appreciation Banquet held in May.

1) FHA officers were left to right: Peg Schoenthaler - historian, Caylia Engel - songleader, Jackie Begler - treasurer, Bernadette Weber - stuco rep., Mrs. Duell - advisor, Kathy Befort - points, Mary Gottschalk - president, and Elaine Amrein - secretary. 2) Jr. and Sr. FHA members were Front Row, left to right: Colette Gnad, Geraldine Weber, Joan Lambrecht, Bernadette Weber, and Linda Werth. Back Row: Barb Wiesner, Cara Slaughter, Gin Fisher, Charla Engel, Cheryl Duell, Mary Gottschalk, Caylia Engel, Kathy Befort, Peg Schoenthaler, and Rose Younger. Not pictured is Karen Niernberger, Juliet Honas, Laura Luea, and Billie Mickelson.



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1) Freshmen and sophomore members in FHA were left to right, Front Row: Roxie Ptaschek, Joleen Kuhn, Millie Flax, Kelly Weber, Candy Zachman, Christa Engel, Donna Augustine, and Deanna Keller. Middle Row: Ruth Knieling, Tammy Wentworth, Judy Waldschmidt, Ann Henrickson, Andrea Honas, Kim Turner, Chelle Glendenning, Lisa Rupp, Jackie Begler, and Elaine Amrein. Back Row: Crystal Ray, Karla Herman, Janet Wiesner, Patti Williams, Joleen Pfeifer, Judy Gottschalk, Verlone LaBarge, Marilyn Brack, and Debbie Light. Not pictured are Lynda Dietrich, Tina Schmidt, Tracy Erbert, Mary Bittel Grace Gnad, Marlene Pfeifer, Tammy Lang, Trena Hilgenberg, and Tammy Gabel. 2) Donna Augustine, Trena Hilgenberg, and Kim Turner seem to enjoy their tacos at the Taco Party during FHA Week. 3) Working with the pie dough at the FHA Cherry Pie Bake is Judy Waldschmidt.



# FFA Boys Plow Ahead

Barnwarmer highlighted FFA's year. This year it took place in November. They also presented a slave auction and Parent-Son Banquet.

1) Mark Weber and Leonard Augustine watch fellow greenhands become initiated into FFA. 2) Mike Wentworth stands by during initiation. 3) FFA advisor is Mr. Marion McGee. 4) FFA officers are L to R: Tim Keller, Reporter; Dean Befort, Treasurer; Dave Pfeifer, Secretary; Fred Dietrich, President; Dean Slaughter, Sentinel; and Mark Fabrizius, Vice-President. Not pictured is Dennis Wolfe, Stuco Rep.



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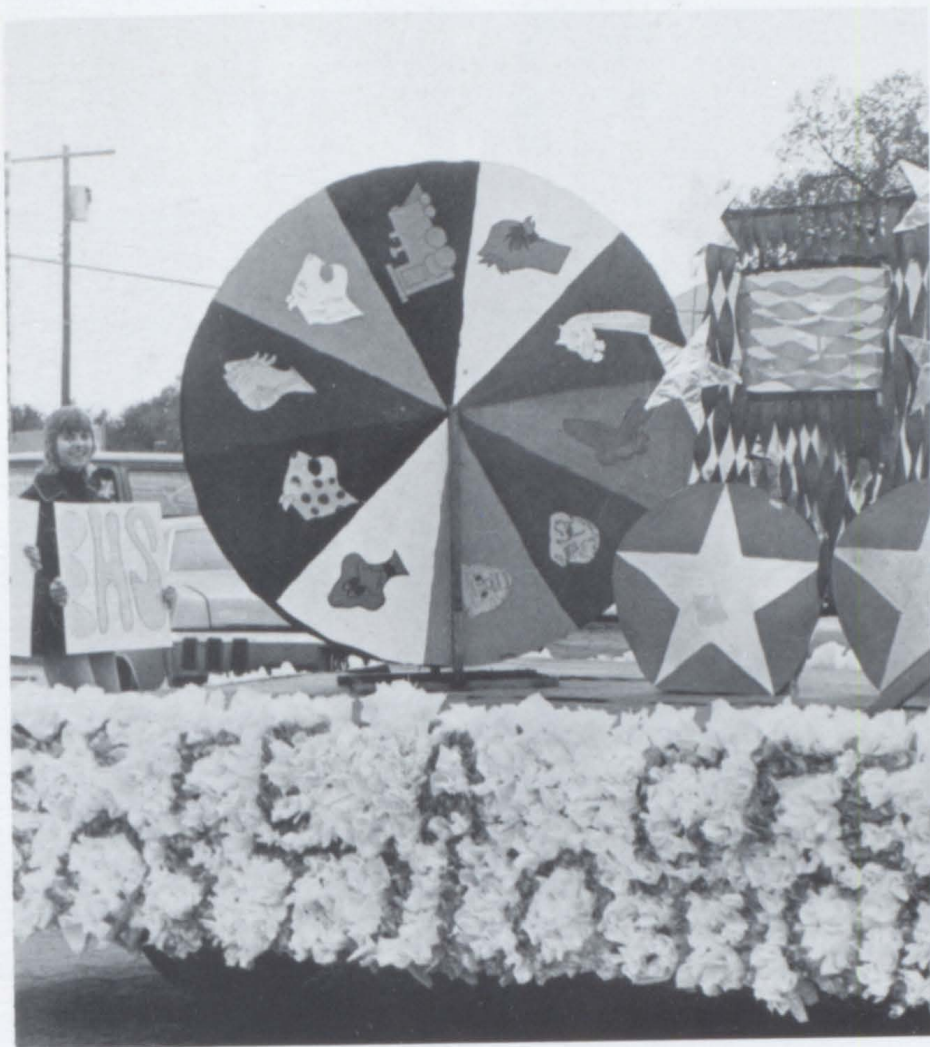


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1) FFA and FHA built a float for the Homecoming Parade. 2) FFA members are L to R, Front Row: Ricky K., Gary M., Darrell A., Bruce B., Danny W., Mike W., Danny K., and Donny W. Back Row: Roy W., Tim K., Dean B., Fred D., Mark F., Dave P., Dean S., Bruce H., Dennis W., Dave S., and Mr. McGee. Not pictured are Lloyd D., Rex H., Marion H., Pat K., Pat R., Leonard A., Mark W., and Dennis W.

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1) Members of the pep club, Top to Bottom, L-R: Lisa R., Candy Z., Andrea H., Jackie B., Donna A., Rose Y., Brenda A., Gerri W., Dee Dee R., Trena H., Judy G., Millie F., Brenda H., Karla H., Mary B., Tammy G., Tammy L., Joleen K., Chelle G., Kim T., Deanna K., Christa E., Ruth K., Tracy E., Diane M., Charla E., Mary W., Cheryl D., Michelle A., Peggy H., Kelly W., Kim G., June E., Ann H., Deb M. (Not pictured Cecilia K., Virginia F., Patti W., Verlone L.) 2) Pep Club cheers the Railer basketball team on to another victory. 3) Peggy Herman and Cheryl Duell demonstrate a new cheer.



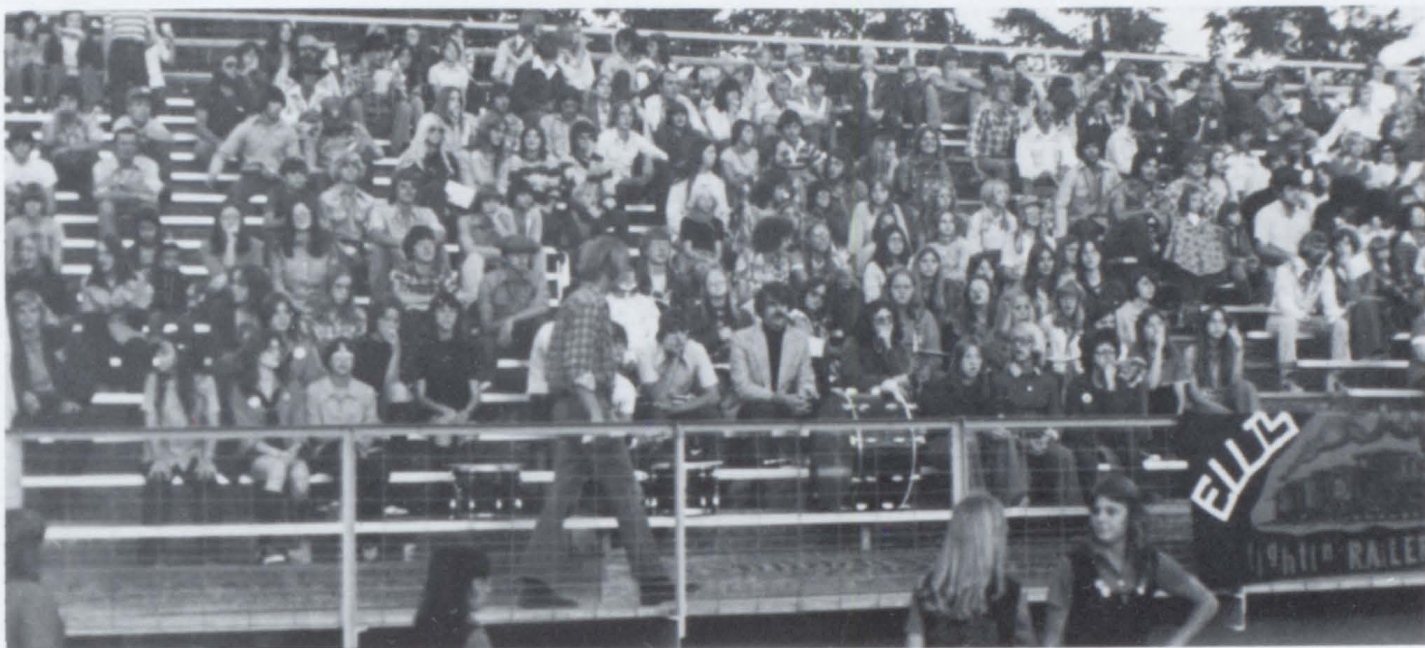


## ***Pep Club Works to Help Teams***

School spirit was boosted by Pep Club this year by making posters and supporting the school in various sports. Among their many activities were cake raffles at home games and selling pins for fans to wear.

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1) Pep Club officers are from left: Secretary - Lisa Rupp, President - Brenda Augustine, and Treasurer - Michelle Armbrister. Not pictured is Stuco Rep. - Verlone LaBarge. 2) Railer fans watch the football game. 3) Tracy Erbert pours water down Mr. Nelson's pants at a pep assembly. 4) Miss Pat Hoke is Pep Club sponsor.





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1) Concert Band, Top Row, l-r: Mr. Glenn Davis, J. Begler, D. Keller. 3rd Row: A. Kohl, L. Kinderknecht, K. Schamel, K. Peterson, S. Flinn, C. Lang, N. Lonnon, K. Honas. 2nd Row: P. Williams, C. Engel, R. Knieling, D. Romey, R. Ptaschek, J. Waldschmidt, M. Gottschalk, B. Matteson, J. Ball. 1st Row: J. Haneke, K. Weber, G. Wagner, C. Ray, D. Mayes. Not pictured is D. Lambrecht. 2) Band members keep themselves occupied during homeroom. 3) Billie Mickleson watches closely as Jackie Begler plays the trap set. 4) Led by drum majorette Jean Haneke, the band marches in the Homecoming Parade.





## ***Band Practices, Performs, and Competes***

Band was very active this year. Aside from classroom work they also had a Pep Band, Concert Band, and Stage Band. They also attended Band Day at Kansas State University.

1) Ellis High School band is conducted by Mr. Glen Davis. 2) Stage band members are from left, Front Row: Jean Haneke, Bonnie Matteson, Mary Gottschalk, Jack Ball, Patti Williams, Kelly Weber, Steve Flinn, Kenny Honas, and Clyde Lang. Back Row: Debbie Geschwentner, Cheryl Duell, Ruth Knieling, Jackie Begler, Deanna Keller, Gayle Schafer, Kevin Schamel, Les Kinderknecht, and Alan Kohl. Not pictured is Debbie Lambrecht. 3) Pep Band plays at the pep assembly.

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# Artists Create Projects

The artists here at EHS had free projects this year which varied from macrame to models and from wood carving to needlepointing.

- 1) Bob Honas uses his hands creatively in art. 2) Art students concentrate on their drawing. 3) Making progress on her project is Bonnie Matteson. 4) Mr. Faulkender is surprised at the progress made by his students.



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# Woodworking Area Busy

This year the woodworking classes learned various skills and had many projects. A mass production project was taken underway by Woodworking I when they created Cedar Planters and sold them.

1) Wade King concentrates on his work. 2) Alan Weber operates the drill press. 3) Projects are surveyed by Rory Wheeler and Kevin Homburg. 4) Working hard on his cedar chest is Gordy Keller. 5. Mr. Nelson teaches woodworking skills.

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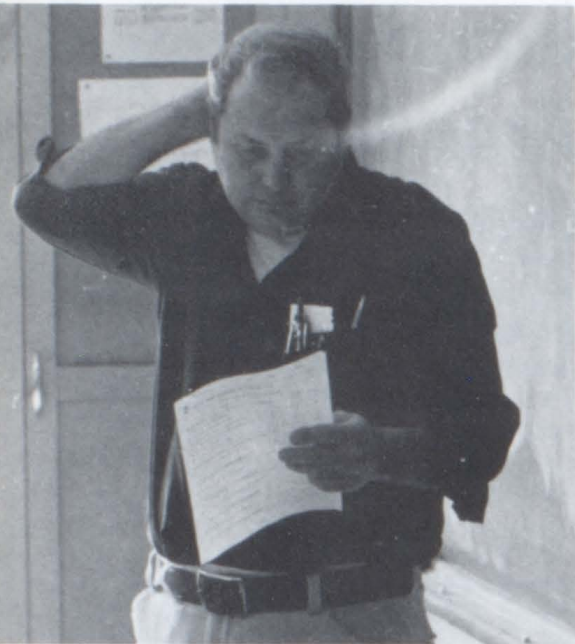
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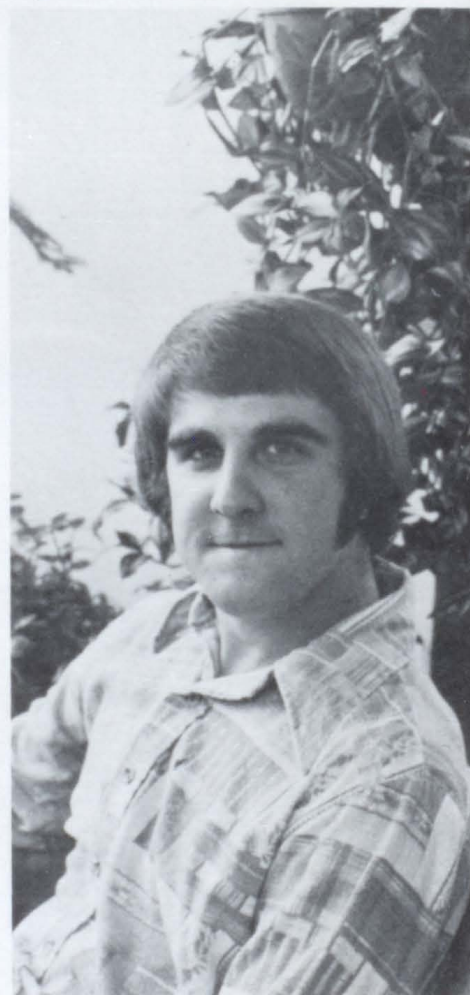


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1) Greg Lambrecht and Tim Roberts watch as Mr. Lavielle demonstrates the steps of potting soil. 2) Mr. Mills teaches Chemistry. 3) A Biology I student uses her scalpel to prepare a slide. 4) Kevin Schamel hesitates before proceeding with his project. 5) Biology I and II are taught by Mr. Lavielle.





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## Students Find Work in Lab

It seems very possible that some day a professor or scientist will come out of the science classes at EHS. Under the leadership of a new teacher, the Biology classes have become more active than in the past. They have done different types of lab work such as potting plants and dissecting different creatures.



1) Linda Dietrich concentrates on her work. 2) Chemistry students conduct an experiment. 3) Gregg Herman and Robbie Disney stain their onion skin. 4) Psychology and Sociology are taught by Mr. Howard Raff. 5) Elaine Amrein displays her poster which she made as a Biology project.



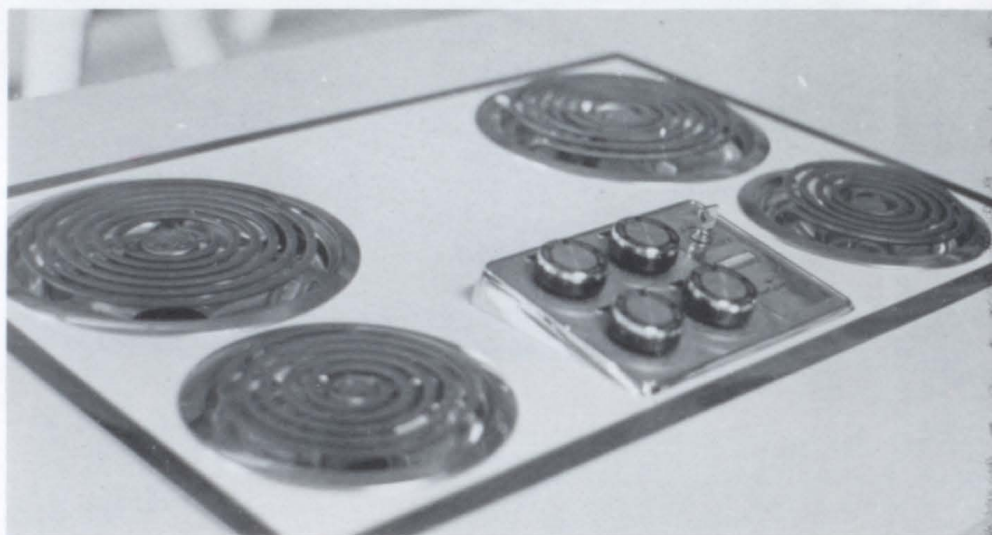


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1) Terri Smith gives cooking directions to Marlene Pfeifer. 2) Alane Slaughter pins her top together in Home Ec. class. 3) Among the many luxuries in the new school will be this demonstration lab in the Home Ec. kitchen. 4) Mrs. Duell helps Gail Lambrecht with her sewing project.



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## Classes Teach Practical Skills

Students have learned various homemaking skills such as cooking, sewing, and different types of crafts in the Home Ec. classes this year.

1) Jeff Kroeger times his cooking which he made with the assistance of Gordy Keller in Family Living. 2) Steve Seibel measures his ingredients carefully. 3) Washing his dirty dishes is Marvin Riedel. 4) Sue Weber demonstrates cake decorating to Home Occupations class. 5) Home Ec. II students observe the behavior of children in a lab class.

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# Business Applications Acquired

Secretaries and mathematicians are likely to be among the students who graduate from EHS after taking the various secretarial and math courses which are offered.

1) Peggy Herman and Deb Erbert do their work together. 2) Bookkeeping students are taught by Mrs. Irene Kroeger. 3) Colette Gnad and Mary Kuhn wait for the bell to ring. 4) Students take a break in Bookkeeping. 5) Students relax after their work is done.



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1) Joan Lambrecht and Gayle Schafer relax after they complete their assignment. 2) Colette Gnad thinks about her work. 3) Jack Ball listens to Mrs. Glantz's instructions closely. 4) Bookkeeping students listen closely to a speaker from Brown Mackie College in Salina.



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The English mini-courses have added variety to the usual grammar courses. Besides grammar, students had a chance to explore literature concerning love and marriage, death, mythology, and careers, as well as being able to express themselves through the various composition classes offered.

1) Working hard to finish her test is Tammy Gabel. 2) Cara Slaughter studies hard, while Joan Lambrecht takes a break. 3) The late year's class visited with Mr. Wasinger, who related techniques of embalming to the class, at the funeral home.



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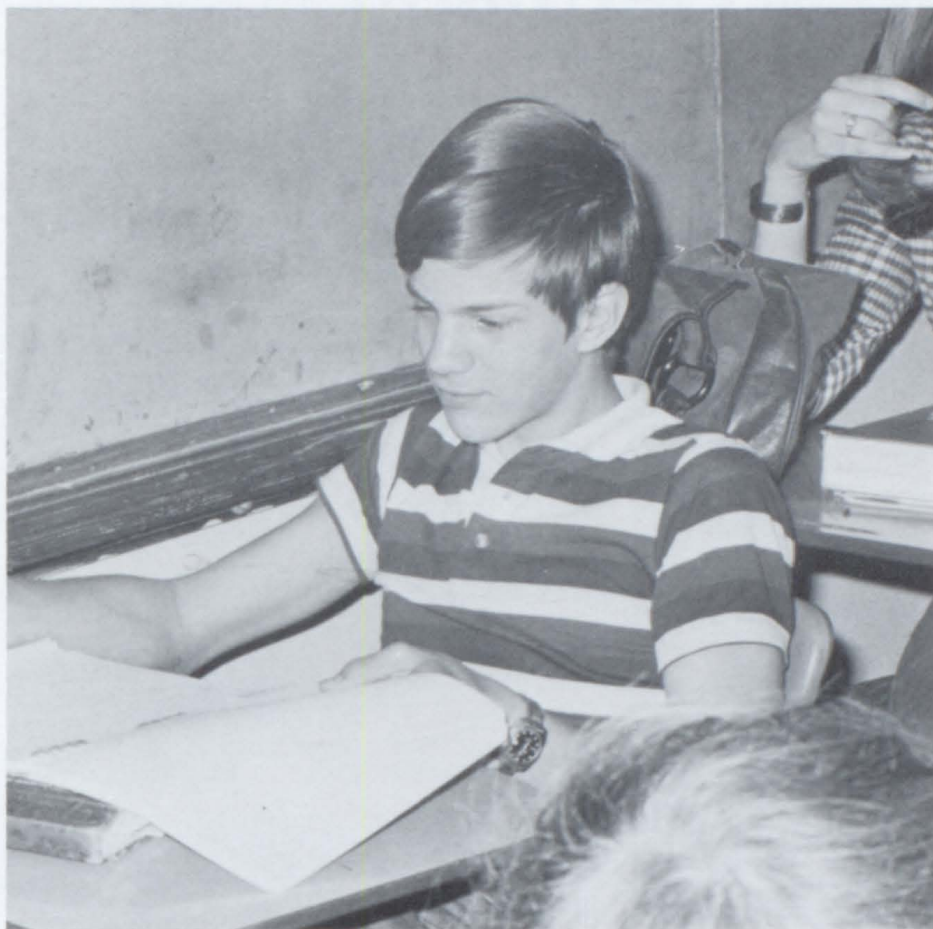
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## Mini-Courses Add Variety to English



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1) Kevin Fox prepares to take part in the discussion. 2) Jolene Pfeifer and Roy Wideman concentrate on Mrs. Heimer's lecture. 3) Taking a survey of world literature are L-R: Leon W., Marion H., Curtis Z., Fred D., Doug G., Rex H., and Jeff G.



# New Germany Located in School

There's a new Germany in school with actual German speakers. Besides learning the heritage of the German people, the German classes had various other projects. They made posters, cooked German food, and concentrated on learning German grammar.



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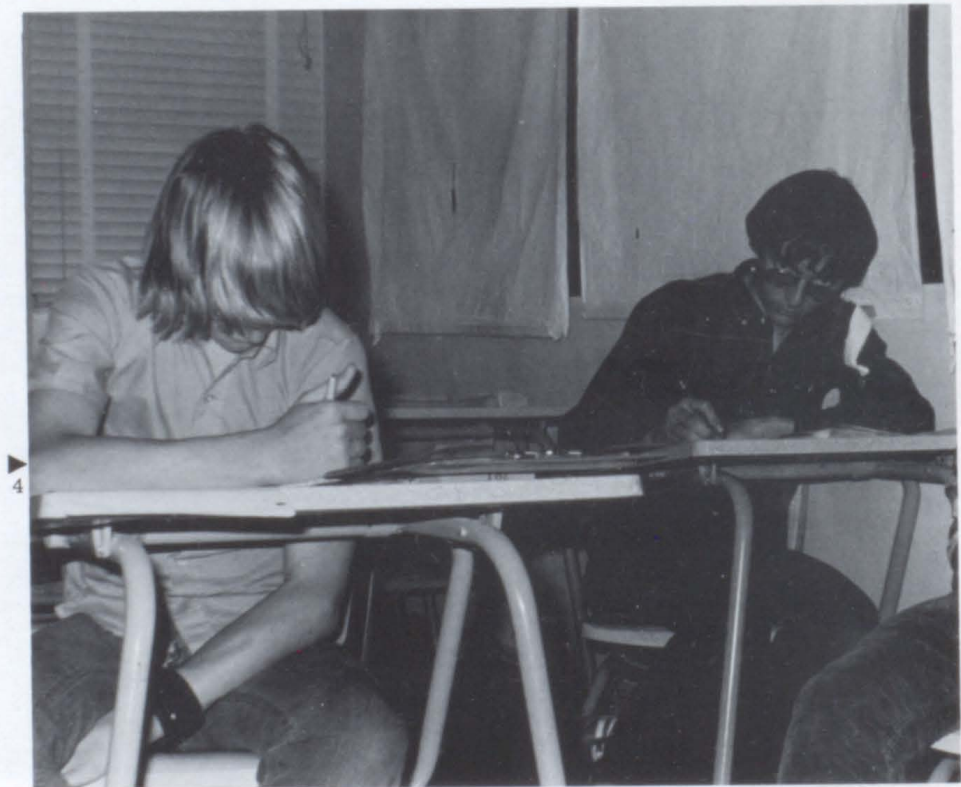


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1) Michelle adds paste to her poster. 2) German I students concentrate on their assignments. 3) A finished German poster. 4) Working on their grammar are Bob Brack and Mike Karlin.



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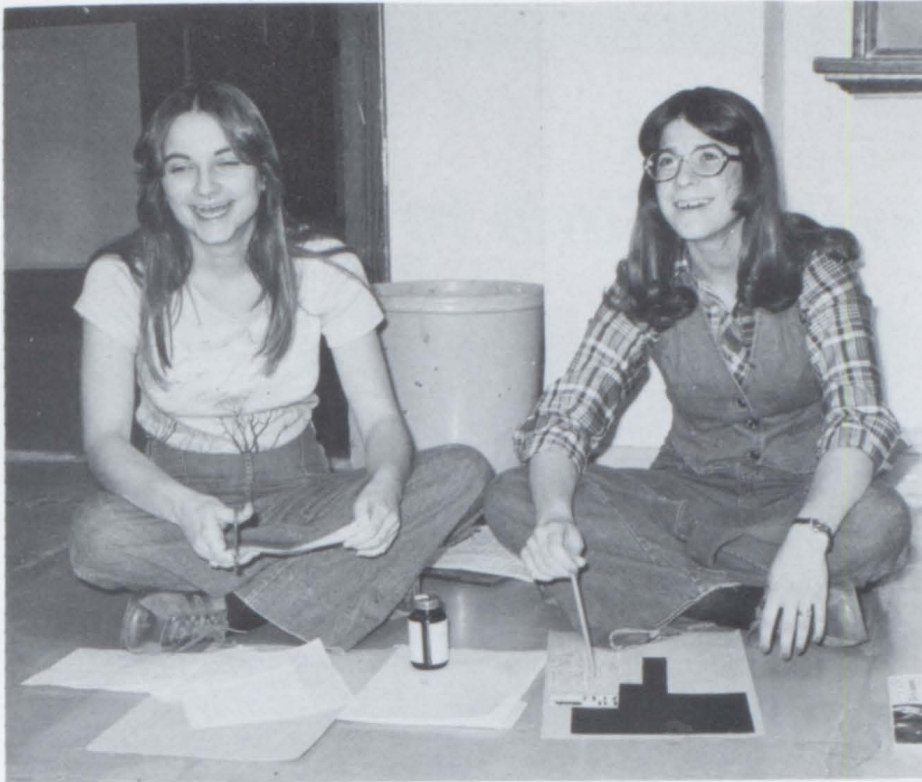
## Report Events

The separate journalism staffs recorded the main events of the school year in their different areas.

New staffers prepared different types of publications which were distributed throughout the year, while yearbook people planned layouts and kept photographers busy printing pictures.

Qualifying for state contest were 2 news staffers and 6 yearbook people.

At state Dave R. and Donna L. placed 3rd in their respective areas.



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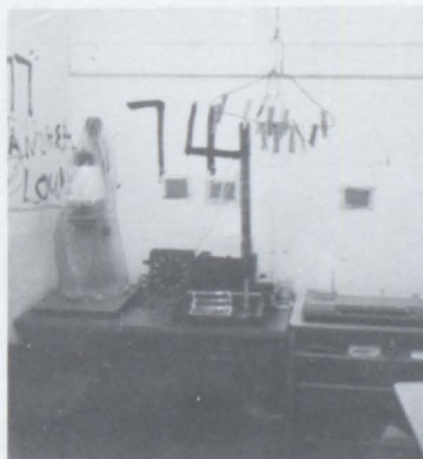
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1) Laura L. and Andrea W. prepare the paper for print. 2) Journalists have just met their deadlines. Front Row: Donna L., Bernadette W., Kathy B., Peg S., Mary G., Dave R., Andrea W., Jean H., Charla E., Janetta K. Back Row: Laura L., Nat L., Kathi D., Rory W., Brad Y., Roy A., Kevin H. 3) Kathi D. Snaps another shot for yearbook. 4) Donna L. crops a picture to fit the layout. 5) The photo lab where pictures are developed and printed.



# Lunch Hour Provides Time to Relax

Lunch hour gives students the time to enjoy their lunches as well as a break from classes. Many find relaxation in different ways ranging from sitting outside or by the lobby, to sitting on the stairs.

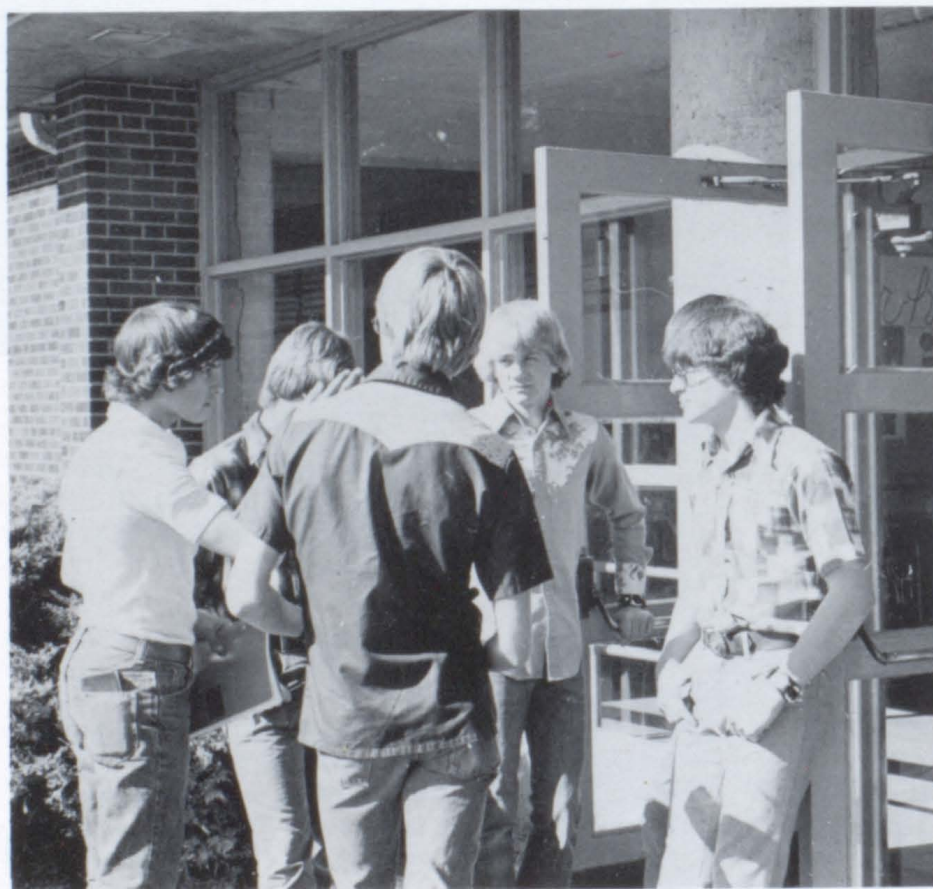
1) Deb M., Evonne K., Ann H., and Linda D. enjoy the sunshine.  
2) Discussing classwork are Mark F., Bruce B., Lloyd D., and others.  
3) Terry B. and Tammy D. enjoy sitting on the stairs.



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1) Mike Augustine receives a delicious lunch prepared by the cooks. 2) Charlie cleans trays as they pile up. 3) Students enjoy a break for lunch.



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# Students Lend Helping Hand

Students play an important part in the mechanics of school life. They help the personnel maintain the school.

1) Student librarians: B. Wiesner and G. Schafer. 2) Lunch help: R. Aschenbrenner. 3) Music librarians: L. Dietrich, A. Henrickson. 4) Custodial help: B. Kinderknecht, R. Reitmeyer. 5) Office help: Front Row, L-R: K. Homburg, C. Engel, B. Weber, J. Lambrecht. Back Row: R. Wheeler, L. Werth, C. Gnad, D. Lang, B. Wiesner, J. Haneke, C. Kutina.



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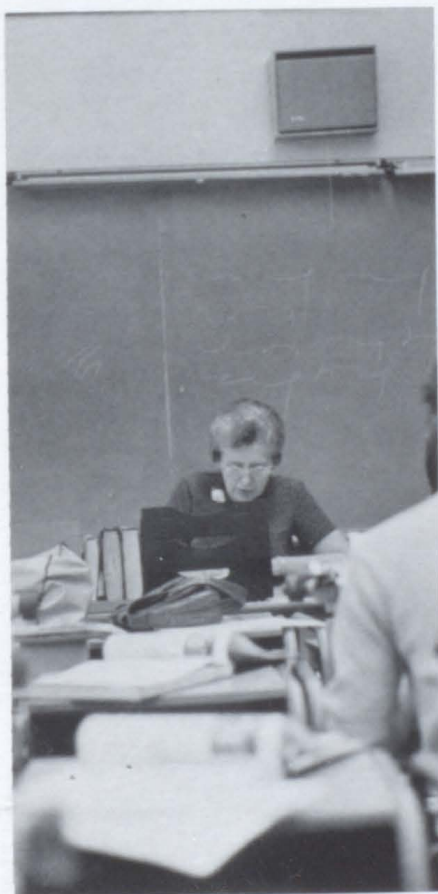
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## ***Clerical Skills Prepare Students***

Through the various clerical courses offered at E.H.S., students with plans in this area have a chance to fulfill their various skills. With the typing and shorthand courses, students are prepared for careers in the secretarial field.

1) Keith D. and Barbara W. file their cards in Typing II. 2) Working hard on her shorthand is Bernadette W. 3) Mrs. Kroeger busily grades papers as her Typing I class completes its lesson. 4) Mrs. Wiesner shows the Typing II class how to mimeograph their papers.



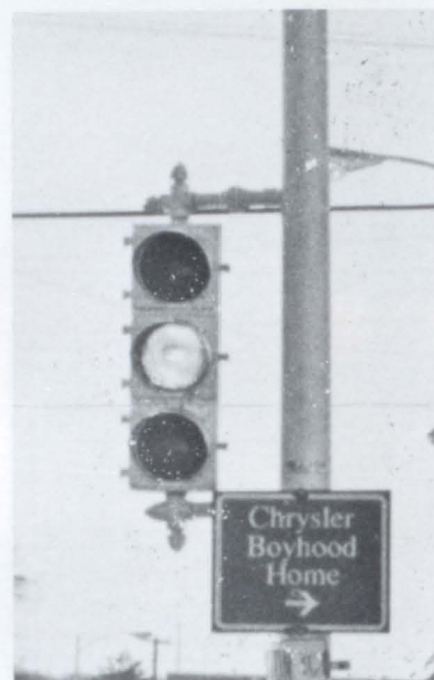
## Students Learn Defensive Driving

Driving defensively is the basic goal of the driving course taught at E.H.S. Students learn this through books and actual driving experience.



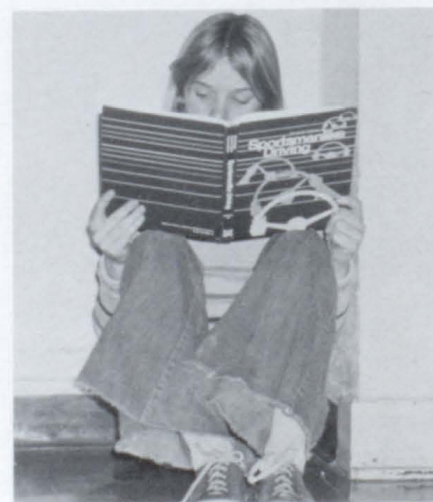
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1) Students put in a lot of book learning time before they can get behind the wheel of the car. 2) Alane Slaughter shows how to safely operate a car. 3) The yellow light cautions all drivers to drive safely. 4) Kay Ernst diligently studies her driver's ed.



# Speaking and Acting Talents Unveiled



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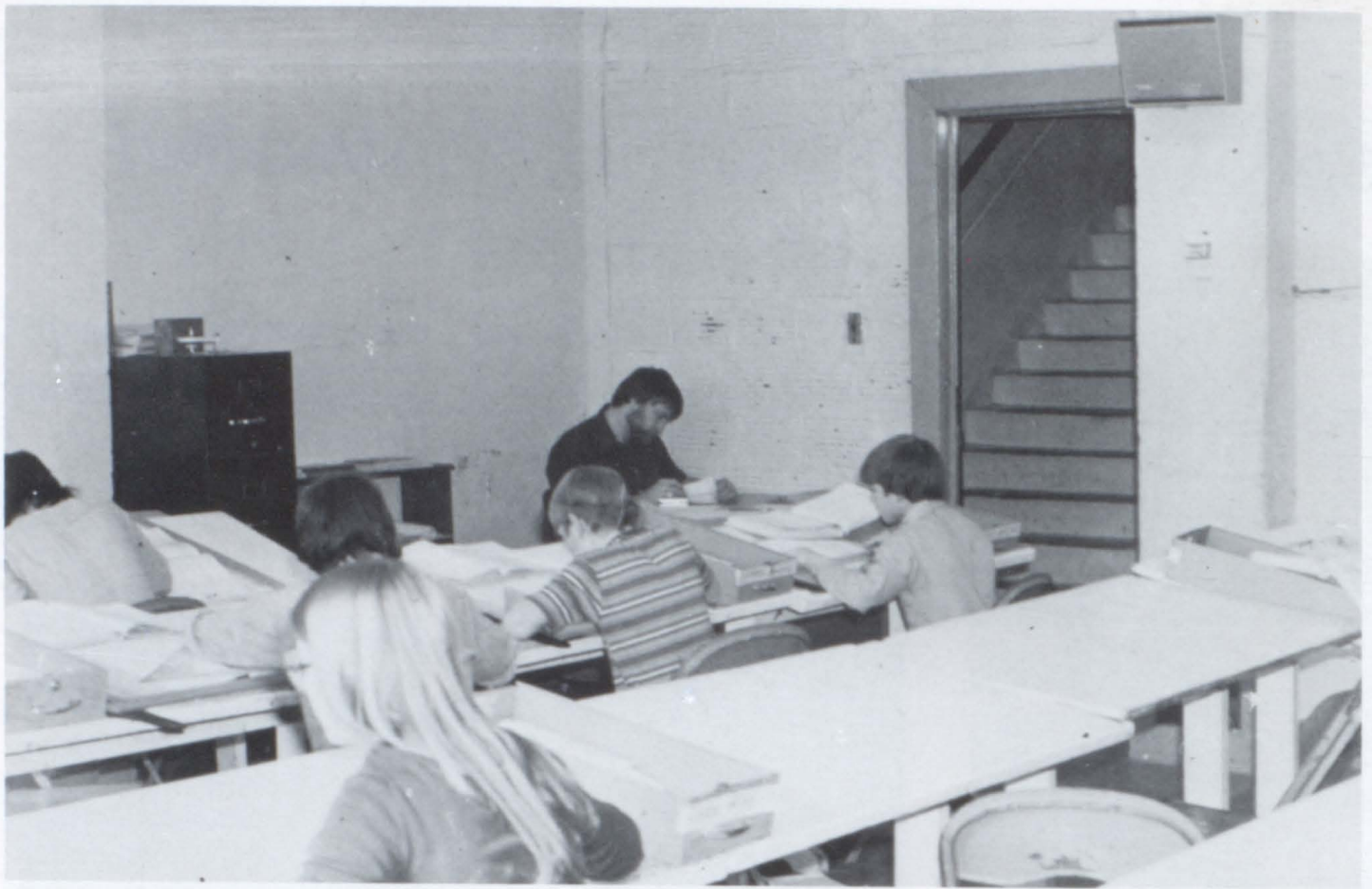
Students in the drama and speech classes had a chance to let their talents shine in areas ranging from pantomime to demonstrations to debate.



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1) Tammy Wentworth shows how she keeps her boots spic and span. 2) Kay Ernst and Deb Lambrecht debate a hot issue. 3) Bonnie Matteson pantomimes her choice of candy in a store. 4) Millie Flax and Grace Gnad portray movie viewers.





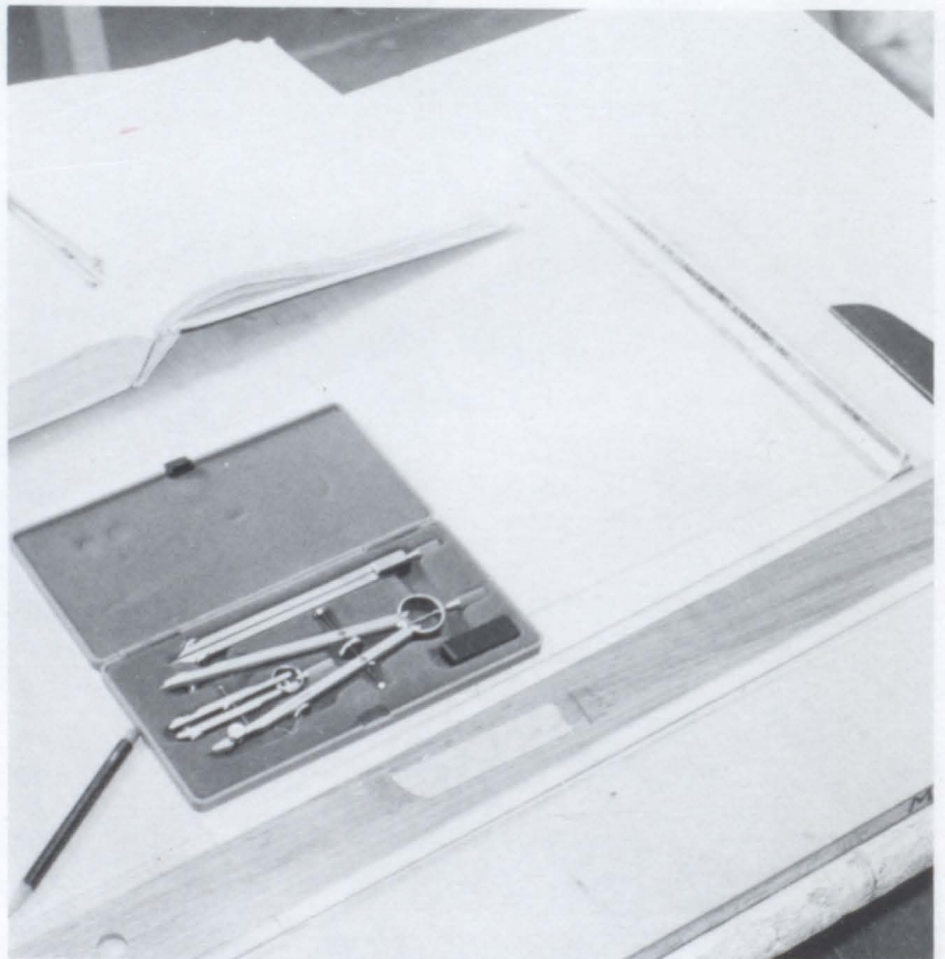
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## Students Make Plans

Learning to draw plans and understand them is the basic goal of students in mechanical drawing.

1) Students hurry to finish their drawings before the bell rings. 2) The tools of Mechanical Drawing.





# Agriculture Roles and Uses Learned



The agriculture courses acquaint the student with the role that agriculture plays in the economy. Students learn farming skills such as welding, caring for farm animals, and agri-business.

1) Discussing farming operations are Mr. McGee, Leon Wiesner, and Fred Dietrich. 2) Mike Karlin and Paul Begler operate the metal-cutting machine. 3) Cleaning up after their various projects are Mark Weber and Kevin Peterka.

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# History Links Past to Present

Through the history courses at EHS, students are able to link the past to the present. American history gives students a chance to view their heritage, while world history shows how the U.S. is affected by happenings all over the world.

1) Phil Huffman, Jeff Perez, and Mike Wentworth take a break in world history. 2) American history class fills out their worksheets. 3) Karl Peterson studies for his upcoming history test.



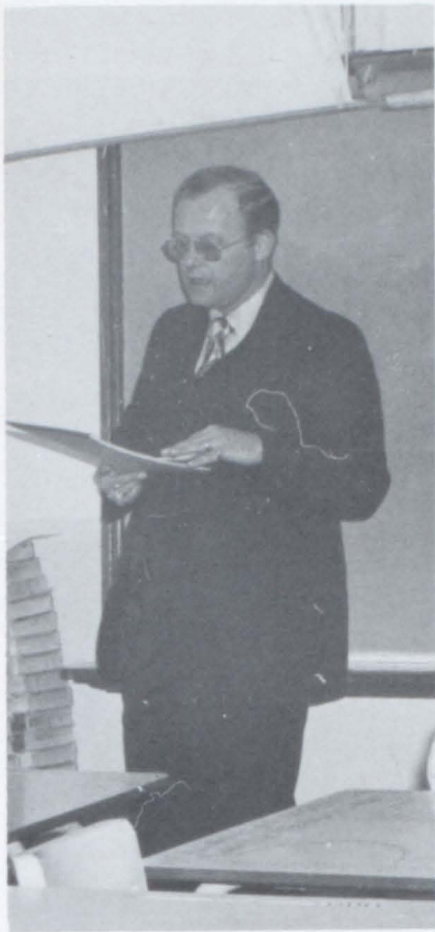
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Learning the basic governmental rights and how the government works was the basic goal of Constitution. New projects such as the Constitution elections were held for the first time. A new course was offered to the seniors - Law.

1) Judge Tom Scott explains the law to the seniors. 2) Ronnie Wiesner ponders on which candidates to vote for in the election. 3) Pat Kuhn shows off his cast in Constitution class.

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# Boys Perfect Skills



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The boys P.E. classes this year participated in different programs designed to help their skill and coordination, besides promoting good health. The programs ranged from bowling, to archery to bombardment.

1) Robin Reitmeyer shows perfect bowling form. 2) Hitting the bull's eye are the E.H.S. archers. 3) Boys tip off for a rough game of soccer.





# Girls Use Skills and Brains in P.E.



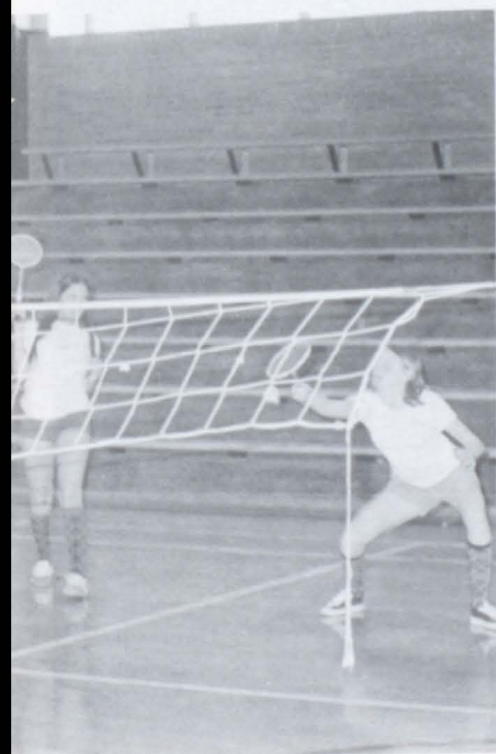
Besides using their physical talents in the different sports used in the P.E. program, the girls also had to use their brains. They were tested not only on their skills but on their knowledge of the history, rules, and equipment of the different sports in which they participated.

1) Girls are working quickly on their written tests to finish before the bell. 2) Terri Smith and Deb Evans are a ferocious doubles team in badminton. 3) Performing her tumbling routine for the photographers is Kim Turner.

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Small group members include L-R: Pat R., Joleen K., Jack B., Linda B., Alan K., Kelly W., Brenda G., Steve F., Ruth K., Kenny H., Mary B., Danny S., Karla H., Wade K., Cheryl D., Mike K. 2) Members of chorale wait to sing. Row 1, L-R: Diane M., Mary W., Gail L., Judy W., Tammy L., Gin F., Cheryl D., Linda B., Tammy W., Billie M. Row 2: Ann H., Kim G., Geri W., Caylia E., Brenda G., Brenda A., Mary B., Verlene L., Karla H., Joleen K., Chelle G. Row 3: Sue K., Ruth K., Marilyn B., Keith G., Mark B., Marion H., Dennis W., Mark F., Danny S., Rose Y., Colette G. Row 4: Marvin G., Mark K., Kevin S., Wade K., Dave P., Curtis W., Mike A., Pat R., Rickie K., Harold H., Chester D., Mike K., Robin R. (Not pictured Leland L., Paul B., June E., Roxie P., Donna A., Joleen P., Andrea H., Kim T., Nancy T.)



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# *Vocal Groups Sing at Many Functions*

This year the high school chorus and the small group sang at many different functions. Besides the annual Christmas and Spring concerts, the chorus performed at graduation. The small group sang at Meal Site, Chamber of Commerce and the MCL clinic. An entertaining musical program was given by the Victoria pop singers.

1) Victoria pop singers perform their routine. 2) Chorale sings out. 3) Choir director, Glenn Davis chooses another song to perform.



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## Novice Backbone of Team



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With only two seniors providing leadership for the forensic team, the novices were heavily relied upon. The team also had a new coach for the first time, Miss Jacque Neidig. It was a successful season as there were twelve students who qualified for state in nine events.

1) Miss Neidig expresses her thanks to the team. 2) Interpreting poetry is Ruth Knieling. 3) Wade King and Cheryl Duell portray "Prisoner of Second Avenue."



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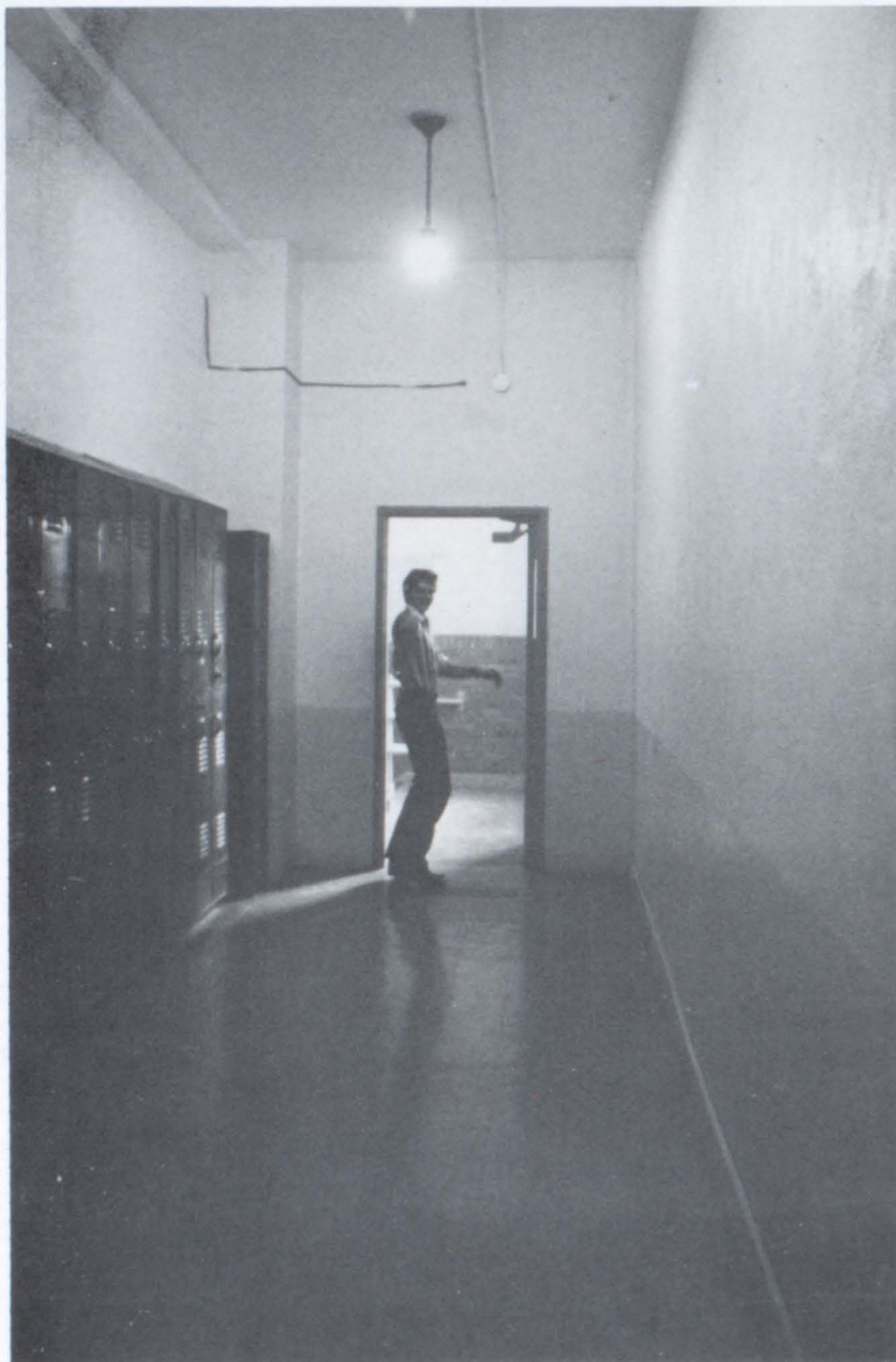
Kathi Downing makes her point.  
2) Members of the 1976-77  
forensics team: L-R, Top to  
Bottom: Lloyd D., Clyde L.,  
Wade K., Tim R., Alan K.,  
Steve F., Grace G., Gail L.,  
Miss Neidig, Donna A., Andrea  
H., Donna L., Ruth K., Candy  
Z., Michelle G., Cheryl D.,  
Gayle S., Cara S., Christa E.,  
Kathi D., Caylia E., and Kevin  
S. 3) Michelle Glendenning  
interprets her prose selection,  
"The Waltz."

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# Silence Settles Over School



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1) There's a feeling of almost loneliness as the halls empty with the final bell. 2) Doughnuts are served by Stacy A. to the after-school customers. 3) Dragging main is a favorite after-school pastime for many kids.



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With the ringing of the final bell, silence descends upon the school building. Students depart for home or to jobs. They leave on foot, by car, or on the bus, to rest up and prepare themselves for another school day. Others stay on after school to attend sports practices or other extra-curricular activities.

1) This student hurries on her way to get home. 2) Farm work awaits Bruce Befort, Daryl Augustine, and Keith Gaschler when they get home.



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# *Cheerleaders Try to Improve Spirit*

At times during the year, a majority of the student body felt that the cheerleaders were not putting enough time and effort into being good cheerleaders and supporting their school. Overall they did a fair job of supporting the boys' and girls' sports, even though they were given little support from the students.

1) Kelly Weber presents Alan with his medal. 2) Clowning around are Michelle A. and Gin F. 3) Leading the snake dance are the cheerleaders.



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1) B-Team cheerleaders: L-R: Kim Turner, Kim Geschwentner, Kelly Weber, and Deanna Keller. 2) Varsity squad: L-R: Charla Engel, Peggy Herman, Brenda Herman, and Michelle Armbruster. 3) Wrestling cheerleaders: L-R: Tracy Erbert, Virginia Fisher, and Cheryl Duell.



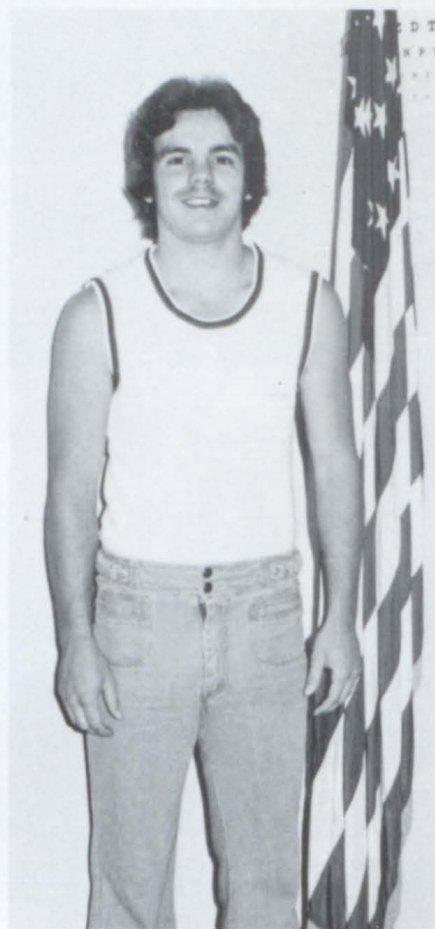
# Achievers Highlight Awards Ceremony

The awards ceremony was highlighted by achievers in areas from sports to academic achievements. John Mason was the guest speaker. 1) Kevin H., D.A.R. receipiant. 2) Kansas State Scholars: Melvin K. and Donna L. 3) Boys' State representatives: L-R: Lloyd D., Steve F., Karl P. 4) Girls' State representatives: L-R: Michelle A., Cheryl D., Gayle S., Colette G. 5) Betty Crocker Leader of Tomorrow: Donna L.



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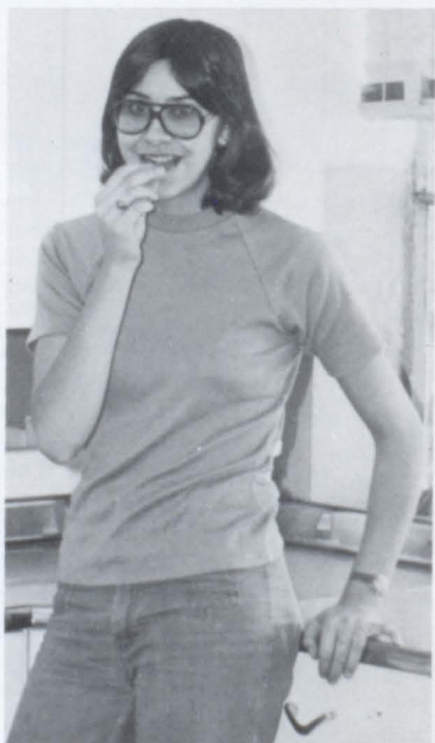


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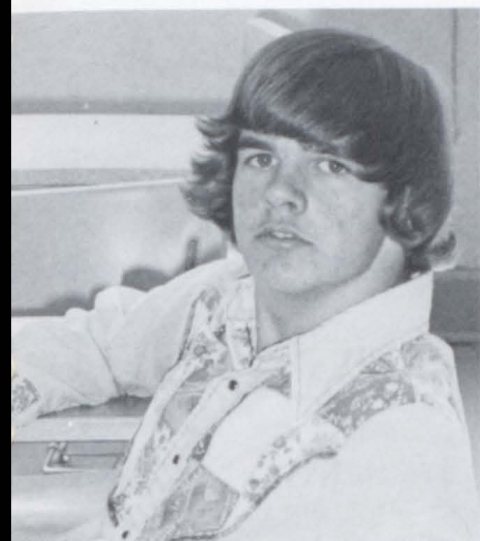


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1) Valedictorian of the class of '77 is Donna Lang. 2) Salutatorian for the class of '77 is Charla Engel. 3) Alan Kohl is the outstanding musician. 4) Acting comes naturally to Outstanding Forensic Student, Kathi D. 5) Kansas Alumni Students were honored as the top 10% of their class, L-R: Charla E., Sandy A., Laura L., Donna L., and Kevin H. Not Pictured: Galen P. 6) Named by his fellow wrestlers as outstanding senior wrestler is Brad Yowell.

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## FOOTBALL

Varsity			
Ellis	14	LaCrosse	38
Ellis	8	Wilson	14
Ellis	8	Victoria	2
Ellis	8	Wakeeney	21
Ellis	6	Stockton	12
Ellis	0	Plainville	14
Ellis	14	Osborne	41
Ellis	12	Pittsburg	24
Ellis	0	Hill City	27

## FOOTBALL

Junior Varsity		
2	LaCrosse	14
6	Hill City	15
4	Wakeeney	75
8	Stockton	28

## BOY'S BASKETBALL

## Varsity

Ellis	55	Victoria	43
Ellis	72	Wakeeney	49
Ellis	59	Ness City	46
Ellis	53	Plainville	51
Ellis	58	Hill City	49
Ellis	58	LaCrosse	50
Ellis	67	Smith Center	44
Ellis	40	Norton	43
Ellis	62	Oakley	50
Ellis	62	Stockton	49
Ellis	42	Norton	29
Ellis	38	Hill City	43
Ellis	71	Smith Center	56
Ellis	82	Osborne	53
Ellis	67	Wakeeney	54
Ellis	65	Victoria	56
Ellis	57	Quinter	52
Ellis	43	Pittsburg	37
Ellis	62	St. John	38
Ellis	45	LaCrosse	30
Ellis	42	Victoria	41
Ellis	56	Hoxie	48
Ellis	46	Oakley	45
Ellis	47	Alma-Wabaunsee	48



## BOY'S BASKETBALL

## Freshman

Ellis	41	Wakeeney	65
Ellis	45	Stockton	65
Ellis	50	LaCrosse	65
Ellis	51	Victoria	44
Ellis	31	Hill City	83
Ellis	44	Wakeeney	67
Ellis	38	Palco	54
Ellis	36	Victoria	58
Ellis	38	Victoria	58

## GIRL'S BASKETBALL

## Varsity

Ellis	33	Victoria	47
Ellis	32	Wakeeney	37
Ellis	27	Ness City	32
Ellis	21	Plainville	29
Ellis	36	Hill City	20
Ellis	24	Smith Center	36
Ellis	29	Norton	60
Ellis	20	Oakley	49
Ellis	25	Stockton	61
Ellis	36	Osborne	33
Ellis	30	Stockton	52
Ellis	30	Osborne	31
Ellis	30	Wakeeney	58
Ellis	39	Victoria	55
Ellis	34	Pittsburg	32
Ellis	34	Wakeeney	54

## Junior Varsity

Ellis	8	Victoria	15
Ellis	10	Wakeeney	16
Ellis	12	Ness City	32
Ellis	11	Plainville	15
Ellis	9	Hill City	24
Ellis	16	Smith Center	28
Ellis	11	Norton	21
Ellis	21	Oakley	25
Ellis	10	Stockton	24
Ellis	9	Osborne	10
Ellis	6	Wakeeney	27
Ellis	15	Victoria	16
Ellis	12	Pittsburg	27

## BOY'S TRACK

Plainville Inv.	3rd
Wakeeney Relays	2nd
Ellis Inv.	3rd
LaCrosse Inv.	3rd
Norton Inv.	4th
Victoria Inv.	4th
Mid-Continent League	4th
Hill City Inv.	7th

## GIRL'S TRACK

Hill City Inv.	9th
Ellis Inv.	4th
Victoria Inv.	4th
Wakeeney Relays	3rd
Plainville Inv.	8th
Norton Inv.	5th
Mid-Continent League	7th

## GOLF

## 2-MAN

## 4-MAN

Ellis Inv.	1st	6th
Hays High	5th	7th
Hoxie	2nd	4th
Oakley	4th	8th
MCL	4th	4th
Pittsburg	4th	9th
Regional	4th	8th







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1) Standing, left to right: Mike Augustine, Tony Geschwentner, Gregg Herman, Robbie Disney, David Rorabaugh, Curtis Weber, Mike Bongartz, Alan Weber, and C. Rorabaugh. 2) T. Geschwentner places in the top ten at the Ellis Invitational. 3) A. Weber takes first at the Ellis Invitational.





## *C.C. Goes Undefeated Secures "Magic Three"*

Over the years Cross-Country has grown, and improved. This year spectacular effort on Coach Rorabaugh's and the boy's parts resulted in a perfect season. The team secured the "Magic Three," which includes the M.C.L., Regional, and the State Meets. They also won six other meets during the season, taking second place to no one. Four-year letterman Alan Weber won first place individual honors at eight of the nine meets, and took 3rd place individual honors at the State Meet. Alan also set a new School record of 9:58.

1) Coach "Rocky" Rorabaugh gives a summary of the Ellis Invitational to cross-country fans. 2) They're off and running at the Ellis Triangular. 3) Robbie Disney receives a medal at the Ellis Triangular.

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# Railroaders Season Proves Frustrating

Under the direction of new Head Coach Marvin Miller, and Assistant Coach Ken Dinkel, the Railroaders finished with a disappointing 1-8 season. Although their record was far from promising the Railers were able to compete with almost every opponent. Placing on the all-league team were John Johnson and Bob Honas. Kevin Homburg received honorable mention all-state.

1) Coaches Miller and Dinkel discuss the game strategy.

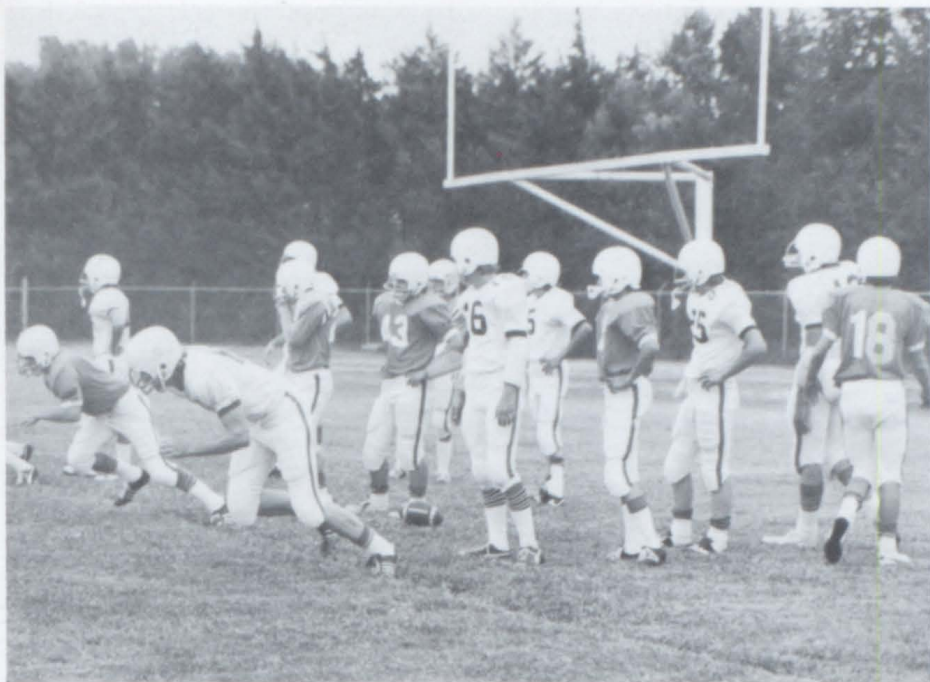


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Row 1: Steve Erbert, Kevin Homburg, Steve Seibel, Jeff Kroeger, Gordon Keller, Bob Honas. Row 2: Head Coach Marvin Miller, Marion Henderson, Greg Leiker, Greg Lambrecht, Mark Fabrizius, Danny Herman, Steve Dennis, Kevin Schamel, Coach Ken Dinkel. Row 3: Phil Huffman, John Johnson, Greg Erbert, Leslie Kinderknecht, Steve Flinn, Tim Herman, Wade King, Kenny Mayes. Row 4: Melvin Kinderknecht, Tony Erbert, Ronald Johnson, Wayne King.





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1) The Railroaders warm-up before the soap scrimmage. 2) G. Keller and S. Erbert prepare themselves for a game. 3) K. Homburg attempts a pass against Victoria. 4) T. Herman outmaneuvers a Hill City defender.





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## Wrestlers Net Regional 2nd; 6 Go to State

Improving through the years, the Ellis High School wrestling team sent 6 men to the State Tournament. State competitors were Brad Yowell, Marion Henderson, Jeff Kroeger, Steve Seibel, Steve Erbert, and John Johnson.

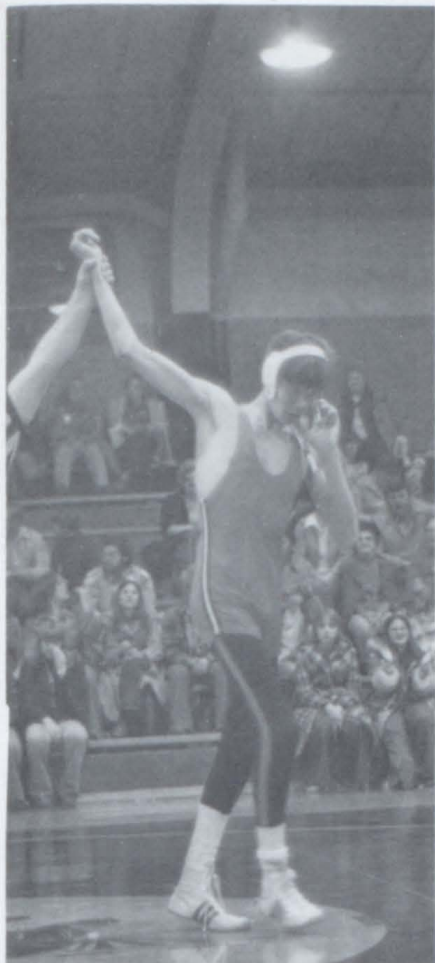
The team placed 5th at the Osborne Tournament, 4th at the Phillipsburg Classic, and 4th at the Phillipsburg Tournament. The Ellis wrestlers placed 2nd at the Regional Tournament to bring home the first Regional wrestling plaque of Ellis High School's career. The Ellis wrestlers had a winning season for the second consecutive year with a 5-4-1 record.

1) 1st Row, left to right: Jeff Kroeger, Pat Rupp, Leland LaBarge, David Pfeifer, Kevin Fox, Mike Dinkel, and Steve Flinn. 2nd Row: Dwight Schubert, Tom Peterka, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Rodger Fischer, Alan Kohl, and Kenny Mayes. 3rd Row: Dean Slaughter, Steve Erbert, Steve Seibel, Tony Erbert, Marion Henderson, John Johnson, and Brad Yowell. 4th Row: Assistant Coach Dwight Nelson and Head Coach Stan Faulkender. 2) R. Fischer attempts an escape.

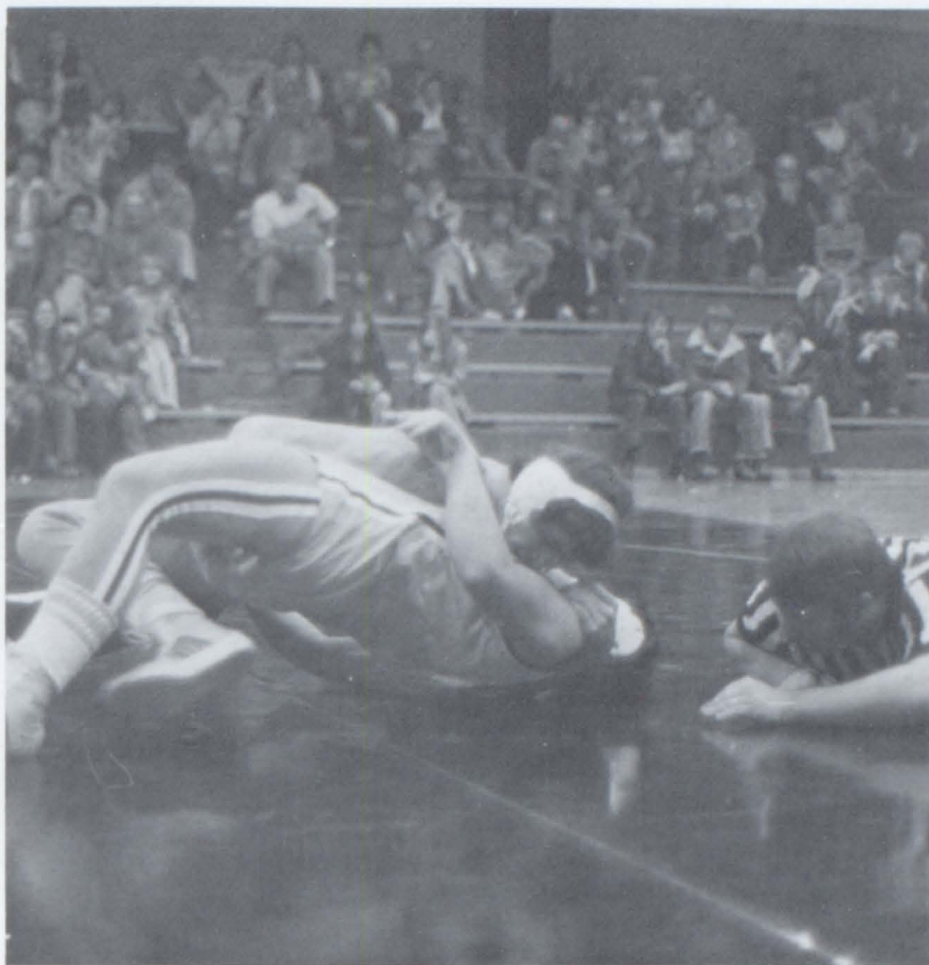
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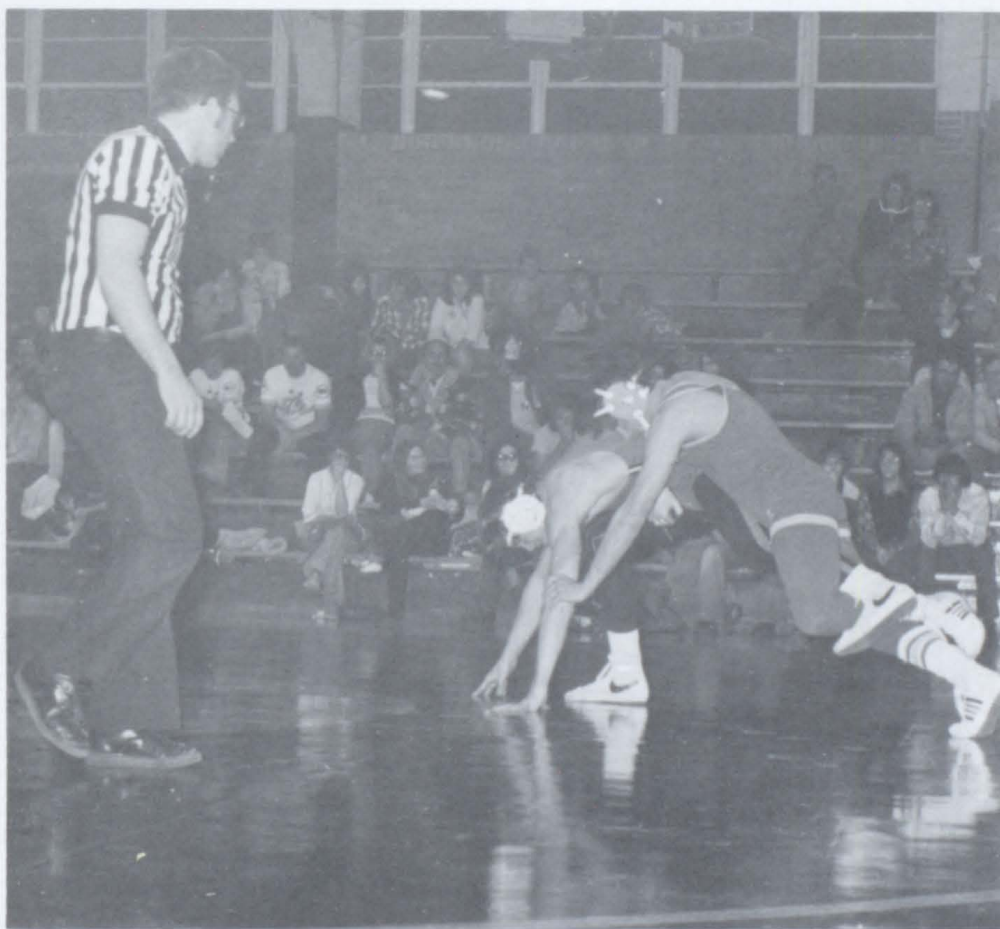


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1) B. Yowell is declared the winner. 2) S. Seibel is about to pin his opponent. 3) S. Erbert attempts an escape.



# ***Basketball Provides Thrill and Suspense for Railroader Fans***

Throughout the basketball season, the Railers provided excitement for hundreds of fans and compiled a rewarding 21-3 record. The highly ranked team captured the MCL League, Regional, and Sub-State championships. This earned Coach Bowen's Railers a bid in the State Tournament. Alma-Wabaunsee defeated Ellis in two over-times and went on to win the 2A State Title. The Junior Varsity ended the season with a 4-11 record, while the Freshmen could only manage a 1-8 record. Three senior standouts, B. Honas, M. Augustine, and R. Lang were named to the All-League team. Bob and Mike also received honorable-mention in the State. The Railer's past season will long be remembered. 1) B. Honas gets up high for one of his many baskets.



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Front Row, left to right: Coach Tom Bowen, Gregg Herman, Dale Robinson, Mike Augustine, Rodger Lang, and Bob Honas. Back Row: Kevin Homburg, Curtis Weber, Tim Herman, Greg Leiker, Greg Lambrecht, and Robbie Disney.





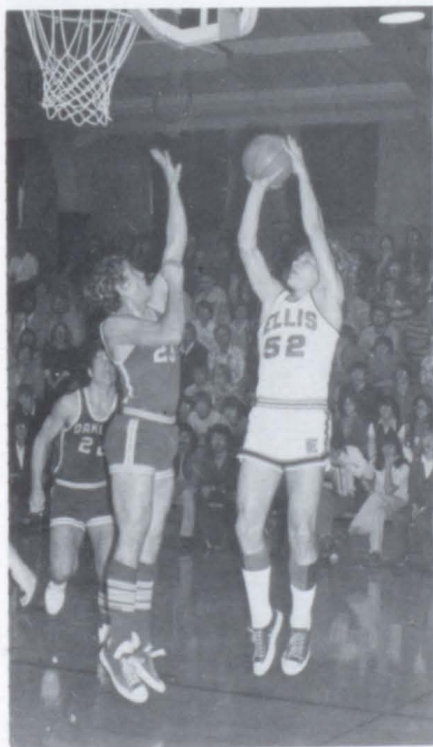
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1) Junior Varsity: Kneeling, left to right: Jack Ball, Tim Roberts, Greg Leiker, Greg Lambrecht, and Kevin Schamel. Standing, left to right: Kevin Peterka, Curtis Weber, Gregg Herman, Dale Robinson, Pat Patterson, Robbie Disney, and manager Mark Bieker. 2) Freshmen: Left to right: Mark Honas, Bruce Houghtom, Danny Herman, Wayne King, Mike Bongartz, and Greg Erbert. Kneeling: manager Ronald Johnson. 3) Dale Robinson gets loose for a shot during the Ellis-Oakley game. 4) Mike Augustine and Roger Lang fight for a rebound against the Plainville Cardinals.



# Girls Look Forward to the Future

Having no seniors and only one junior, the Ellis High School Railerettes A-squad obtained a surprising 3-13 record. Sophomore ace Roberta Augustine led the way throughout most of the season. The A-squad Railerettes combined the talents of all their players during the last game of the season. There they scored a whopping 34-32 victory over the highly-praised Phillipsburg girls team. The Junior Varsity Railerettes sported a disappointing 1-12 record, but look forward to the future for bigger and better basketball seasons. 1) Roberta Augustine leads fast break.



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Front Row, left to right: Patti Williams, Rose Aschenbrenner, Kelly Weber, Christa Engel, Marilyn Brack, Deanna Keller, and Teresa Honas. Back Row, left to right: Mary Kuhn, Crystal Ray, Jackie Begler, Marlene Pfeifer, Lisa Rupp, Debbie Light, Roberta Augustine, and Coach John Kolacny.





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1) R. Augustine goes in for another lay-up. 2) M. Kuhn puts up a jump shot. 3) M. Pfeifer shoots for an easy two.



# Team Led by Standouts

With the track team consistently placing in one of the top three positions at each meet, Coach Bowen and his thinclads were well respected. The outstanding Seniors were, Alan Weber, Mike Augustine, Tony Geschwentner, and Melvin Kinderknecht. These Seniors led the way for the other members of the team. 1) M. Augustine and T. Herman discuss the events of the track meet. 2) 1st Row, left to right: Coach Bowen, Bruce Houghton, Alan Weber, Tony Geschwentner, Mike Bongartz, and Mike Augustine. 2nd Row: Glenn Bieker, Curtis Weber, Tim Herman, Dale Robinson. 3rd Row: Wayne King, Danny Herman, Mark Bieker, and Melvin Kinderknecht. 4th Row: Les Kinderknecht, Gregg Herman, Mike Riedel, Jeff Perez, and Robbie Disney. 3) The timers watch for smoke of the starters gun.



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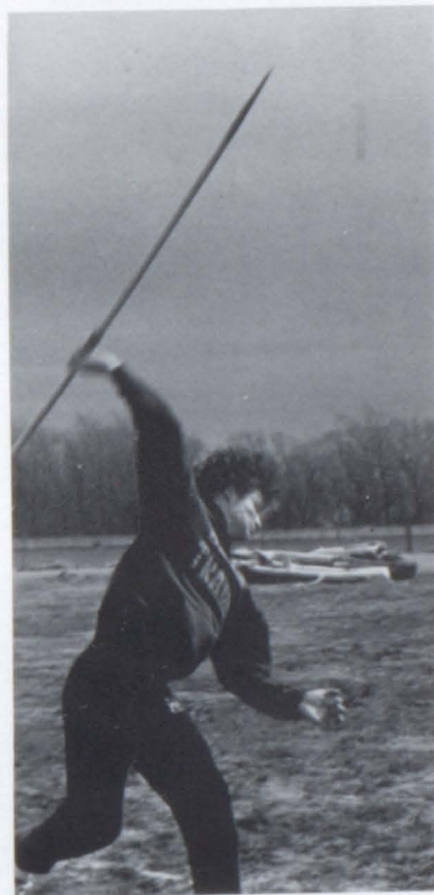


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1) M. Bieker gets set for a relay start. 2) Part of the Ellis track squad relaxes before their events. 3) D. Robinson unloads the javelin at the Ellis Invitational. 4) M. Bongartz relays a more than adequate hand-off.



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# Girls Excel in Track

With the underclassmen taking the load, girls track faired well under the direction of head coach John Kolacny. The girls who participated showed great inspiration and determination throughout the season. The upcoming years should be rewarding to each and every girl who participates.

1) Front Row, left to right: Kim Turner, Joleen Kuhn, Rose Aschenbrenner, Diana Mayes, and Kelly Weber. Back Row, left to right: Mary Kuhn, Debbie Light, Roberta Augustine, Coach Kolacny, and Crystal Ray. 2) R. Augustine broad jumps to victory. 3) M. Kuhn warms up throwing the shot put.



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1) Crystal Ray clears the last hurdle in excellent hurdler form and she is on her way to the finish line. 2) A good hand-off is essential in a relay. In this picture Kim Turner and Kelly Weber execute the perfect hand-off. 3) Lisa Rupp takes her final run-through in preparation for the long jump event.

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# Golfers Seek Par

Golf has become a sport of pride and recognition. In the past few years, as this year, State competition in golf has become a common occurrence. This occurrence has been made possible by the hard work and determination the team has shown.

1) Front Row, left to right: Danny Schoenberger, Phil Huffman, Ronald Johnson, Wade King, and Alan Kohl. Standing, left to right: Coach Ken Dinkel, Greg Lambrecht, Greg Leiker, Tim Roberts, Pat Patterson, and Steve Dennis. 2) S. Dennis tees off. 3) Coach Dinkel shows the correct swing.



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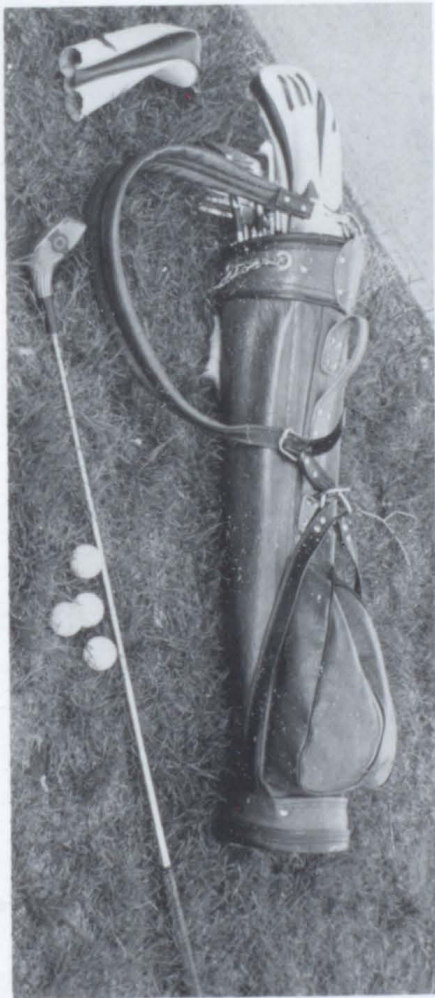




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1) T. Roberts tees off for another round of golf. 2) G. Leiker, Ellis' top golfer, shoots consistently for par. 3) The golf bag awaits its owner. 4) Three of the Ellis golfers enjoy a good practice.

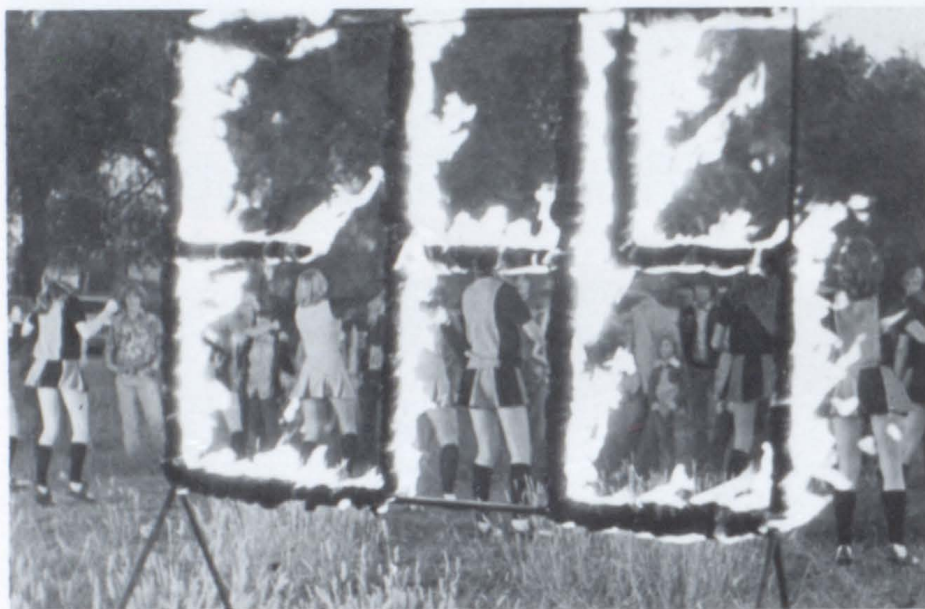


1) Band performed at half-time and during the pregame festivities for Homecoming. 2) Many students turned out for the snake-dance and bonfire. 3) An M&M guessing contest was held during spirit week and was sponsored by Stuco. 4) Kim Geschwentner and Brian Kinderknecht dressed up for 50's day during Spirit Week.



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# Homecoming Catches the Brightest Stars

Following the theme of "Catch the Brightest Stars," Homecoming was a big success. People dressed-up differently each day during spirit week and an M&M and penny contest were held. On Thursday, the snake dance and bonfire were held and the parade, game, and dance were held on Friday.

1) Crown bearers for Homecoming were Tammy Dinkel and Brad Deutscher. 2) Candidates for Homecoming Queen were Sandy Augustine, Denise Hodges, and Andrea Waldschmidt. Sandy was voted Queen. 3) Homecoming King candidates Steve Erbert, Steve Seibel, and Kevin Homburg await the announcement of King. Kevin was crowned as King. 4) King and Queen and attendants are from left: Steve Seibel, Andrea Waldschmidt, King Kevin Homburg, Queen Sandy Augustine, Steve Erbert, and Denise Hodges.



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1) Michelle Armbrister  
straightens her balestack. 2)  
Mary Kuhn looks pleased with her  
work. 3) Sawing away is  
Geraldine Weber. 4) Gin Fisher  
hurries to get all her nails in. 5)  
Brenda Gaschler checks on her  
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# Barnwarmer Highlights FFA

Once again, FFA presented Barnwarmer. Seven girls competed for the title of FFA Sweetheart. The girls had to identify tools, saw wood, hammer nails, stack bales, back a pick-up between two poles and tie-up a greenhand which is a first year member.



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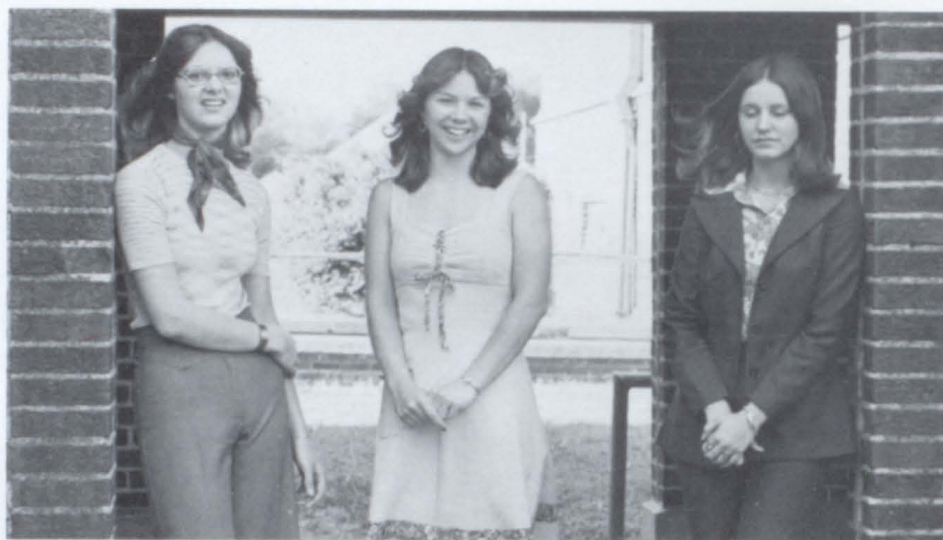


1) FFA Sweetheart was Brenda Gaschler. 2) Students boogied to the music at Barnwarmer. 3) Barnwarmer candidates were from left: Brenda Augustine, Michelle Armbrister, Brenda Gaschler, Linda Brenner, and Geraldine Weber. Front Row: Gin Fisher and Mary Kuhn.





1) Sno-ball royalty from left was, Mary Bittel, Rodger Lang, Andrea Waldschmidt, King Galen Pfeifer, Queen Jean Haneke, Bernadette Weber, Alan Weber, Joan Lambrecht, and Joleen Pfeifer. 2) Sno-ball princesses from left were, Joleen Pfeifer, Joan Lambrecht, and Mary Bittel. 3) King and Queen and attendants from left were, Andrea Waldschmidt, Rodger Lang, King Galen Pfeifer, Queen Jean Haneke, Alan Weber, and Bernadette Weber.





## Nick's Place Opens

Kayettes and their dates were entertained at Sno-ball in the nightclub atmosphere of Nick's Place.

1) Couples dance to the music of Kristel. 2) Couples sample the goodies at the refreshment table. 3) The servers entertained at intermission with their routine. 4) Jean Haneke is crowned queen by Joyce Brungardt. 5) Kristel provides music to dance by.



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1) Prom servers from left were, Robbie Disney, Donna Augustine, Greg Lambrecht, Kim Turner, Pat Patterson, Deanna Keller, Keith Gaschler, Kelly Weber, Gregg Herman, Nancy Trudeau, Mark Fabrizius, and Millie Flax. 2) Mrs. John Kuhn helps prepare the meal and refreshments for Prom. 3) Roy Amrein and Deanna Keller dance to the music of Night and Day at Prom. 4) Michelle Armbrister and Steve Erbert, and Mr. and Mrs. Billinger enjoy the dance.



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# Stairway to Heaven Presented by Juniors

On April 30, 1977, the Junior Class presented "Stairway to Heaven," the annual Junior-Senior Prom. The banquet was held at 6:30 and the dance followed at 9:00. The next morning, the Seniors met at Alloway's Restaurant at 6:30 for breakfast. It was a night to remember for all who were involved.

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1) Cecilia Kutina, Lou Ann Kohl, and Debbie Lambrecht enjoy listening to the music. 2) Night and Day played for the Jr.-Sr. Prom. 3) Sr. boys Roy Amrein, Gordy Keller, Rodger Lang, and Galen Pfiefer enjoy the banquet.



Under the direction of Miss Jacque Neidig, the Jr. class presented a hilarious three act comedy titled, "Professor How Could You?" Members of the cast included: Alan K. - Professor Perry, Steve F. - John, Gayle S. - Vicki, Greg L. - Grandpa, Lloyd D. - Boggins, Dale R. - Butcher Boy Bean, Deb G. - Priscilla, Peg H. - Valerie, Cheryl D. - Tootsie Bean, and Teresa H. - Grandma.

1) Dale gets made up for his part. 2) Boggins and Grandpa confer. 3) Professor Perry is surrounded by admirers.



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# Jrs. Present Three-Act Comedy



1) Tootsie seems to be saying, "Who? ME?" 2) Grandma smiles for the photographer. 3) John is angered by the sudden change in plans. 4) Cast of "Professor How Could You?" and director, Jacque Neidig.

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# "Stardust" Presentation Produces New Celebrities

In the senior play "Stardust," the audience was given a look at the behind-the-scenes activities of an acting academy under the Stanislavsky system of living each role. The arrival of a professional actress brings about a conflict of acting views which adds to the hilarity of the play.



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1) Kathi D. (Prudence Mason) is planning her revenge of the academy students. 2) Andrew W. (Janet) and Tony G. (Phil) discuss their future. 3) John J. (Mr. Bach) commands his students' attention. 4) Kevin H. (Jerry) and Donna L. (Claire) drop in to celebrate Prudence's wedding.



## "STARDUST" CAST

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1) The Dean of Women speaks her mind. 2) Students perform their chorus as Kevin (Jerry) looks on. 3) "Cast of Stardust" and director, Jeanette Billinger.



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# Pastimes Vary at Night

Evening activities among the students at EHS vary greatly. There are many activities with which to pass time. Dances, parties, the Bowling Alley, and the Pool Hall are just a few of the places that people go to at night.

1) Jeff Geschwentner, Doug Gugler, and Larry Brack decide what they want to eat at the Bowling Alley. 2) Galen Pfeifer, like many students, spends his evenings dragging main. 3) Dances are a big hit as most have a very big turnout.

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1) A scene seen by many parkers at the water tower is Main street and other parts of the town. 2) Debbie Lambrecht passes her time playing pinball. 3) Playing foosball from left are, Larry Brack, Cara Slaughter, Doug Gugler, and Jeff Geschwentner. 4) Many people spend their evenings bowling.



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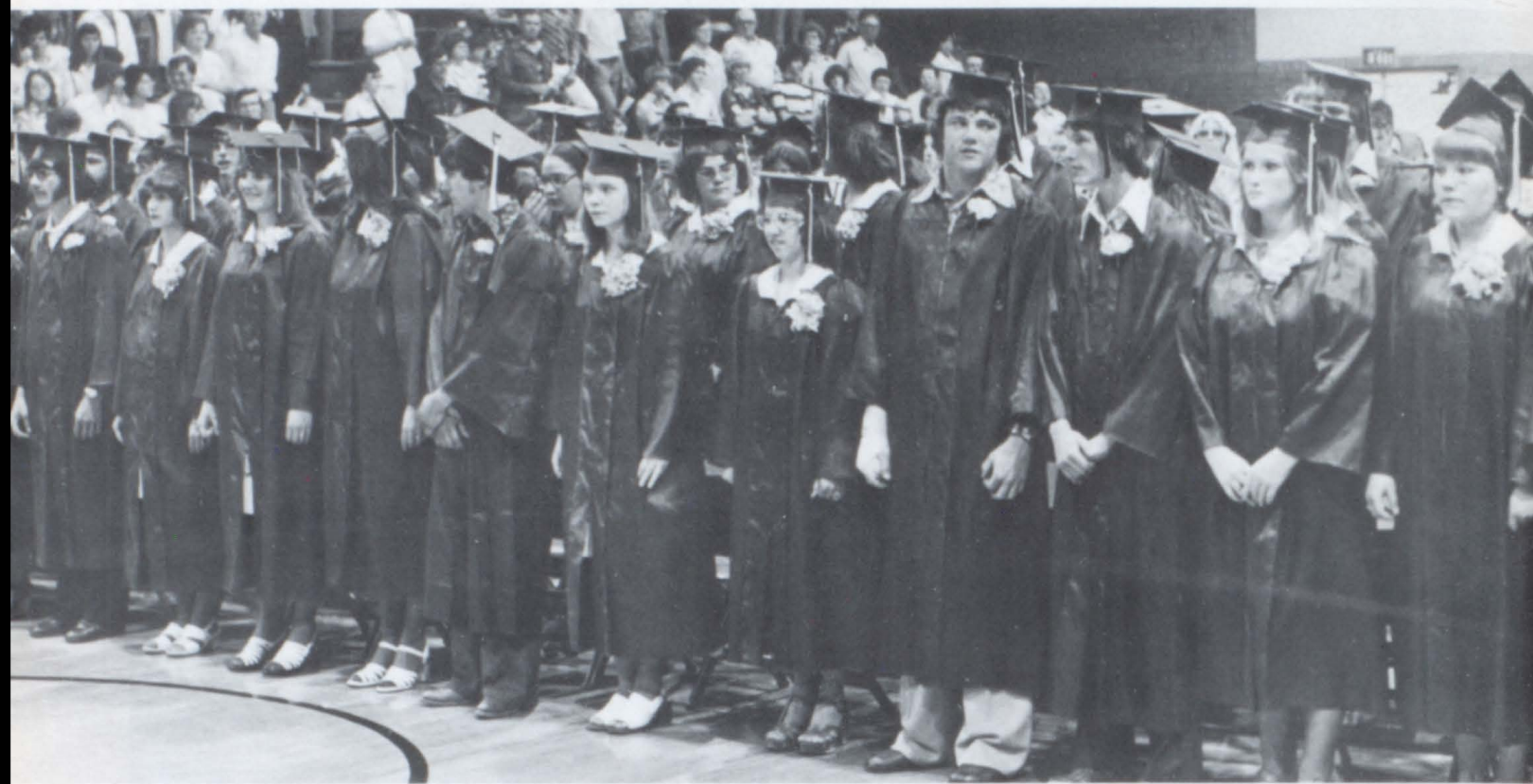
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# *Class of 1977 Receives Diplomas*



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1) The senior class of 1977 stands and gets ready to receive their diplomas. 2) Natalie Lonnon reflects on the past four years. 3) Mr. Davis directs the band as the seniors walk in.







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1) Dr. Gerald Tomanek addresses the seniors. 2) George Bray, G. A. Surface, Dick Disney, Dr. Gerald Tomanek and Rev. Paul Irwin observe the seniors as they march in. 3) Fred Dietrich receives his diploma. 4) Bob Kinderknecht receives his diploma.



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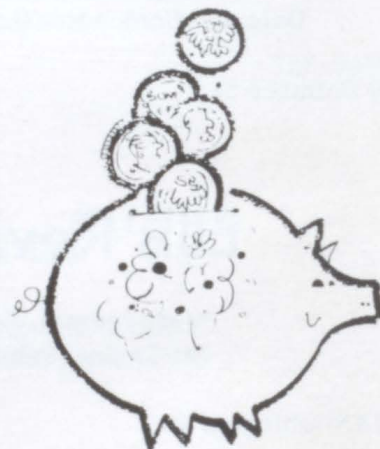
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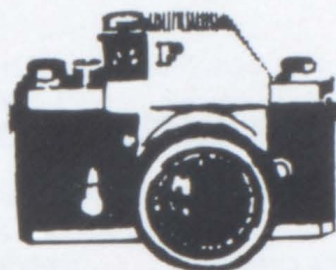


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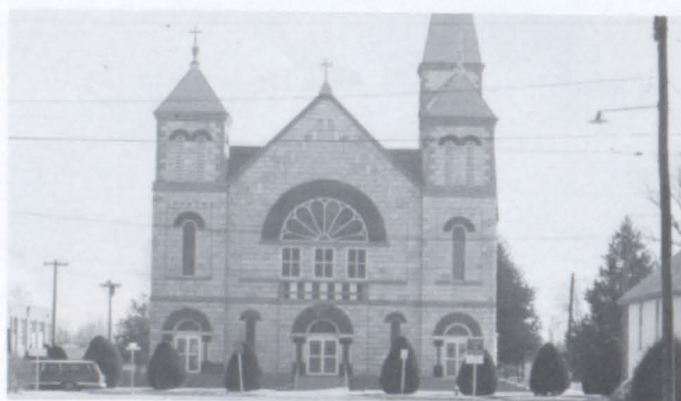
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726-3101

## Letterman's Club

Railer Booster



## Dr. James Hall Optometrist

816 Washington St.

726-4712

## Wilson Realtors

Glenn Fondoble, Realtor

104 W. 6th St.

726-3561

## C. W. Deutscher Agency

Clarence and Marlene Deutscher

1023 Washington St.

726-4832

## B&M TV Repair Shop

Quasar TV's

William Wiesner, Owner

902 Washington St.

## Williams Commercial Refrigeration

TV and Appliance Dealer  
Daryll Williams, Owner

10th and Washington St.

726-3366

## Adams Realty Company

William Adams, Owner

New Office Location:  
900 Washington St.

# Shirk Well Service, Inc.

## Congratulations Seniors

1901 Monroe St.

726-4220

Henry Shirk,  
Owner





## Ralph Weber Construction

Ralph Weber, Owner

413 Madison St.



726-4801

## Daylight Donuts

For Mouthwatering Pastries -  
Visit Daylight Donut Shop.

Robert and Rosita Augustine, Owners

1025 Washington St.

726-4983

## Alloway's Restaurant

105 W. 2nd St.

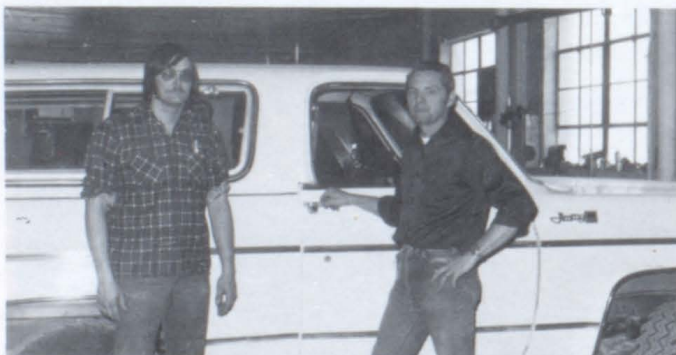
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## Alloway's Body Shop

10th and Washington St.

726-4272



## Honas Heating & Air Conditioning

Art Honas, Owner

814 Jefferson St.

726-3201



## Jack Ball Insurance

Jack Ball, Owner

101 E. 11th St.

726-4852

## Western Aluminum & Glass

Ed Neuburger, Owner

1011 Centennial Blvd.

726-2418

## Gugler Herefords

Rural Route 1

726-4447

726-4597

## Knights of Columbus

Railer Booster

1013 Washington St.

726-4849

"For Men and Boys Alike"



# *In Remembrance of Marcy Gugler*

## *January 16, 1958 — July 25, 1976*

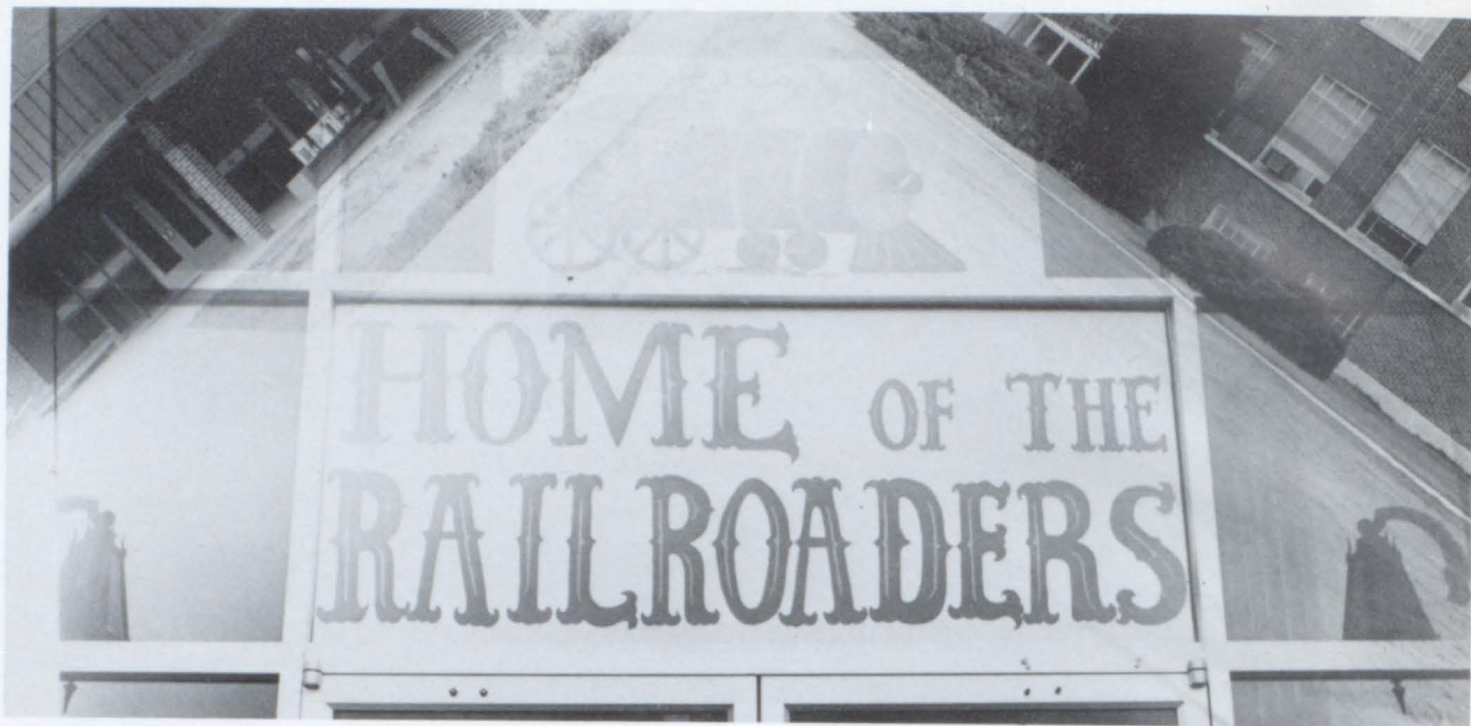


Marcy Gugler, a graduate of the class of 1976, was killed in a fall from a pickup truck last July. She is still in our memories, though.

In one sense there is no death. The life of a soul on earth lasts beyond her departure. You will always feel that life touching yours, that voice speaking to you, that spirit looking out of other eyes, talking to you in the familiar things she touched, worked with, loved as familiar friends. She lives on in your life and in the lives of all others that knew her.

(Keep Children from Funerals -  
Angelo Patri)





The book is ended and we have tried to bridge the events of the year together for you to remember.

It was a special year in many ways for both the seniors and for the underclassmen.

As seniors, we held memories of being the last class to graduate from the old school building, while the underclassmen crossed over and looked forward to being the first classes to graduate from the new building.

To put a yearbook together, it takes a team effort. We thank Mr. Staab for his patience and guidance in helping us to assemble the book.

As we build toward the future, the yearbook staff is proud to have captured memories of the school year for you . . . Donna Lang . . . Charla Engel . . . Bernadette Weber . . . Kathy Befort . . . Mary Gottschalk . . . Peggy Schoenthaler . . . Kevin Homburg . . . Rory Wheeler . . . Dave Rorabaugh . . . Kathi Downing . . . Nat Lonnon . . . Janetta Kinderknecht . . .



