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At first there was a field, of silence heard only by acres of pasture. Then came a period of time and a structure called a school. Although, this building with its fancy style and bright orange carpet seemed lonely. There were no cars zooming around, no people joyfully talking and no administration until we came. People gave this school a name. A name that stands out in front of all other schools . . . Ellis High School.

At first we came reluctantly still feeling tied to the other school, but slowly each of us stopped and realized that this is our school. We'll make what we want of it. We decided to make it one of a kind just like the old school must have been. Almost all of us were inexperienced, but we worked together and shaped it into the school that we are now so proud of.

The football and basketball teams, chorus and band, newspaper and yearbook staff, student body and the administration all formed into one to create a steady base for Ellis High.

Time proceeded on as we made new friends and acquainted ourselves with new classes. We were soon rushing through the crowded halls trying to get past the group of people who always seemed to find something to talk about. Homework was piled on us and the parking lot became a Demolation Derby at 2:30 and again at $3: 30$. We dodged the teachers whose classes we didn't

[^0]seem to make it to. Mr. Bray walked the halls with a watchful eye while Dorothy was around whether you needed her or not. Mr. Mills' look was a mean one. Gilbert and Charlie were always there with a helping hand. Then there were the games that brought out the spirit in all of us. We tried our hardest and succeeded in conquering the competition.

Ellis High is truly filled with good times in many aspects. There are, of course, the spirited people and the not so spirited, but each person brought their own special joy into the building.
With the sound of the final bell of the year, everyone rushes off and leaves the school to once again grow silent. No more people, no more laughter or hardships and no more good times. The school turns into a dark lonely building . . . until next year. Except for the seniors who will have to rely upon their memory and their yearbooks to take them back to their high school days.
Your friends say they'll keep in touch, but you know they won't. Your teachers say come back and see them and you know you won't. Maybe someday it won't matter but right now it hurts just a little.


High School students were ready and eager to kick-off an exciting Homecoming Week, October 6-10. Spirit filled the halls as we awaited the Friday night festivities. The week began with 50 's dress-up day. Students and teachers strutted down the halls wearing many styles of clothing. They ranged from poodle skirts and pony tails to greased back hair and leather jackets. Monday night was also the first chance students had to work on their floats. Tuesday was hat and shade day and most of the students got a chance to sport their favorite hats and sun glasses to this event. Day three was color day with seniors wearing blue, juniors wearing red, sophomores in purple and freshmen in pink. Some of the combinations the students wore insulted the eye but added a great deal of fun to the day. Thursday was designated as dress up day. It gave students a chance to look their Sunday best. This day was the most successful of all with almost everyone participating. Thursday evening was the annual Wienic Roast held at the first sta-

 assembly followed. Joining hands, the students formed a chain and slowly weaved their way to the campgrounds where the bonfire was to be held. This year, the bonfire had an unusual twist. complete with the senior outhouse. After the bonfire the students went to finish their floats. Friday, bringing a close to the week was orange and black day. There was orange and black everywhere you looked as students dressed to show their enthusiasm. A lot of running around had to be done to get ready for the parade and Homecoming night. At 2:30 on Friday, many brightly colored floats paraded down main street and members of the band, Homecoming Court and representatives from many clubs were cheered by the crowd. The climax of the week wat
the game and the crowning of our new King and Queen. This started at 7:10 with Roger Weber and Cheryl Bongartz reigning as Homecom
King and Queen of 1980 . The ex citement was multiplied when Ellis walked over their foe. Victoria, 21-12. A dance held at the old gym, top-
ped off the fun-


## We Can Handle It

There was a time of the year, a feeling in the air and an annual excitement that returned to Ellis with falling leaves, football fever and alumni - an Ellis High School Homecoming.

Spirit week, building floats, and a growing schedule of events made the October 10 affair no different in some respects than past celebrations. But for planners and participants alike, this one was different. The parade was longer, there was an outhouse at the bonfire, a class won the float contest four years in a row and Ellis won the football game.

For Lyle Gottschalk, student council president, it was an especially busy week. "A lot of planning went into it and we tried to get as many people involved as we could," replied Lyle. As stuco president, Lyle was responsible for all the planning that went into homecoming, including the ceremonies, parade and bonfire. Overall he felt that it was very oragnized and it was one of the best homecomings in a long time. He added that to him, the best part was winning the football game against Victoria

Many different groups par-
ticipated in homecoming activities. The marching band, homecoming representatives, the floats, and many others helped to form the parade. The floats participating were judged and the winners announced. The seniors took first place for the fourth year in a row, the freshmen took second and the sophomores took third place.

For Michael Henrickson, senior class president, the long week of work paid off with a first place finish. "l received a lot of good cooperation in building the float, and it took a lot of hard work," said Michael.

Besides winning the float contest, the senior class also placed first in the spirit week competition. The sophomores were close behind with second place and the juniors finished third. In the penny contest, the sophomores came out on top with a first place finish, followed by the juniors and freshmen respectively.
E.H.S.Homecoming 1980 is over now but many fond memories still linger. It was a week of non-stop activity, but all will agree that it was well worth it.



1. Rose Honas' responsibilities as a pep club president never seem to end. Here she and other pep club members are blowing up balloons for the game that evening.
2. The traditional burning of the bonfire is always something to look forward to.
3. Ellis High School students try to bring back the once popular fad of craming a car. Here they have 28 people in Duane Fisher's dad's 1957 Chery.

4. Brenda King takes time out during the parade to pose for a picture. 2. After a long week of activities, Dave Schoenberger expresses his views on Homecoming.
5. This year because of the senior outhouse the bonfire had an unusual twist. Inside it was a dummy Victoria football player which was later burned along with the outhouse 4. Coach Doug Gordon takes time out before
the game to buy his son. Jason, a balloon and get a bit of last minute advice
6. As Student Council president, Lyle Gottschalk, has many duties. Here he is playing chef at the annual Weanie Roast.



## Railer Royalty Sparks Victory

The end of the busy week was finally here as the final homecoming day greeted E.H.S. On October 10, 1980, the air was crisp, the sky was clear and the stars were bright. The bleachers were filled with the colors of orange and black from the supportive fans who awaited the big event.

The candidates for the 1980-81 homecoming were voted in by the football team. The King candidates consisted of Bob Augustine, Lyle Gottschalk, and Roger Weber. The Queen candidates were Cheryl Bongartz, Michelle Martin, and Mary Kay Riedel. The three beautiful girls were the spotlight of the evening as they captured everyone's attention being paraded around the field in a fashionable metalic blue corvette belonging to Dean Towns.
As the band played softly in the background, the royalty for 1980-81 was announced.

1. After the suspense subsided, the girls finally got a chance to relax as they pose for pictures. Jason Pfeiffer and Crystal Befort also pose.


Roger Weber, Lyle Gottschalk, and Bob Augustine await the arrival of the queen candidates as they are being paraded around the field. The Raiders defeated the Knights, 21-12.

"This year's King and Queen are Roger Weber and Cheryl Bongartz. Suddenly the air was filled with a multitude of joy and congratulations as the queen was crowned.

No one will ever know how Roger and Cheryl felt but to all it was a memorable event.
2. Mary Kay Riedel, Michelle Martin, and Cheryl Bongartz parade around the field in a fashionable Corvette driven by Dean Towns. The girls were then escorted to the field for the crowning of the queen.



Arlene Irances Amrein


Basketball - 1, 2, 3. 4 Football - 1.2,3, 4 Track 1.2 Prom Server Mr. FHA Candidate Homecoming King Candidate Stuco Representative - 3 Pep Club - 1 , 2, 3, 4

Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 FHA - 1 Jourmatism 4 Office Assistant - 4 Chorale - 1, 2, 3 Kayette Board Member - 3, 4


Football - 1, 2, 3, 4 Basketball - 1. 2 Track - 1 Forensics - 2, 3, 4 Ir Play Sr . Play Class Treasurer - 4 Pep Club - 3 Prom Server
Sonja Glee Armbruster


William Alan Befort

Robert Joseph Augustine



Pep Club - 4 Journalism - 4 Office Assistant - 4 Honor Roll-4 Sr. Play



FHA - 2. 3. 4 Kayettes - 2, 3. 4 Pep Club - 2. 3. 4 Sr. Play Track ${ }_{3}$ Journalism - 4 Commendation Award - 3

Brenda Rose Bullock

Kayettes 1, 2, 3,4 Pep Club 1, 1, 3,4 Jr. Play Sr. Play Volleyball 2 Chorale Pop Singers 1.2. 3. 4 Band 1 Sping Play 1.2 FHA 4 Snoball Princess Candidate Honor Student 4 Perfect Attendance 3. 4 Journalism 4 Office Assistant
4 Typing Award 3 Forensics 1 . 2, 3, 4


Jammy Fay Deutscher

Pep Club- 1, 2, 3,4 Honor Roll -1. 2 Track - 1, 2, 3, 4 Chorale 1.2.3 Kayettes 2. 3, 4 FHA
fine Assistant Mascot - 4


Leoba Ann Dinkel


FHA I Volleyball 2 Kayettes - 1. 2, 3, 4 Kayette Board 2, 3, 4 Class Treasurer - 2 Prom Server Honor Roll 2, 4 Perfect Attendance 1, 2, 3, 4 Snowball Princess Candidate FFA Sweetheart Candidate Journalism - 4 Chorale 3 Forensics 2, 3, 4 Jr. Play Sr. Play Office Assistant 4 Outstanding Forensic Student 3 Typing Award Spring Play 1,2


Sharon Illajefla 'Dorzuciler

Forensics 1.2.3 Volleyball 2 Kavetter - 1.2.3.4 Kayette Board 2. 3. $4 \mathrm{FHA} \quad 1 \mathrm{FFA}$ Sweetheart Candidate Snowball Princess Candidate 1 Stucco Treasurer 2 Chorale Journalism Play Sir Play tor Attendance 1.2 3. 4 Honor Roll 3 4 Pep Club 4 Ppring Play $\quad 1,2,3,4$ Office Acristiant +


Michael Reilly $D_{\text {ouning }}$

Basketball - 1, 2, 3 Pep Club - 1, 2, 3 Office Assistant - 4 Pep Club President -3 FHA - 1, 2, 3, 4 FHA Degree Chairman - 3 Kayettes 1, 2, 3, 4 Kayette Board - 4 Typing Award - 3 Snoball Queen Jr. Play Chorale - 3 Honor Roll - 1, 2 3, 4 Journalism - 4 Sr. Play Perfect Attendance - 1, 2, 3

Golf. $1,2,3,4$ Boys' State -3 Sr. Play Pep Club - 4 Journalism - 4

Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 Pep Club - 4 Chorale - 3 Jour$\underset{\substack{\text { nalism } \\ \text { Sr Play }}}{ }-4$ Jr. Play


Sr. Play

Gladys Marie Jlax

Basketball - 1 FFA - 1, 2, 3, 4 Pep Club - 3 Jr. Play Sr. Play Class Treasurer - 1 Stuco Representative - 4 FFA President - 4 Prom Server

## Rhonda Lee Cabel



Rebecca go Glendenning

FHA $-1,2,3,4$ FHA Officer - 3,4 FHA District VicePresident Kayettes -1, 2, 3, 4 Kayette Board Member - 3 , 4 Pep Club - 1, 2, 3, 4 Basketball - 1,2 Volleyball - 3 Chorale - 1, 2 Forensics - 1, 2, 3, 4 Jr. Play Sr. Play Honor Roll - 4 Office Assistant - 4 Office Machines Award - 3

Football - 1, 2, 3, 4 Wrestling - $2,3,4$ Pep Club-4


Lyle Zoseph Gottschalk

Pop Singers - 1, 2 , 3, 4 Pep Club - 2, 3, 4 Class Secretary 1 Stage Band
Band - 1, 2, 3, 4 Pep Band - 1, 2, 3, 4 Football - 1, 2, 3, 4 Wrestling - 1, 2 , 3, 4 Track - 1, 2, 3, 4 Perfect Attendance - 3 District Band 3 State Contest Solo - 1, 3 State Contest Trio - 1,3 Boys' State Outstanding Citizen - 3 Class President - 4 Forensics - 1, 2, 3,

Basketball - 2, 3, 4 Football - 3, 4 Stuco Representative - 3 Stuco President -4 Ag Reporter 4 FFA - 2, 3, 4 Pep Club - 3,4 Homecoming King Candidate Prom Server Pep Club Treasurer - 3 First Team Offensive End - 4 Second Team Football Offense 4 Basketball Honorable Mention - 3 Snoball King Candidate



Michael Loren
Henrickson

Basketball - 1, 2, 3, 4 Football - 1, 2, 3, 4 Track - 1, 2, 3, 4 Stuco Representative - 1, 2, 3, 4 Pep Club - 2, 3, 4 FFA - 3, 4 FHA 4 Mr . FHA - 3 Pep Club Vice-President - 3 Honor Roll - 3 Jr. Play Honorable Mention Basketball - 2 All League Football Offense and Defense - 3


Rosemarie Jonas

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Cheerleader - 1,3 Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 FHA - 1. 2, 3, 4 Pep Club - 1, 2, 3, 4 Forensics - 1, 2, 3, 4 Band - 1, 2, 3, 4 Chorale - I Basket. ball - 1 Volleyball -2 Pep Club President - 2. 4 Pop Singers - 2, 3, 4 Jr . Play Honor Roil - 2 Sr. Play Mascot - 4 FHA Officer - 2, 4

Pop Singers - 1,3: 4 Pep Club - 2, 3, 4 Stage Band -1
Band $-1,2,3$ Pep Band - 1, 2, 3, 4 Chorale - 1,4 Forensics - 3, 4 Boys ${ }^{\circ}$ State $\quad 3$ Class Officer - 3.4 Honor Roll - 1, 2 , 3, 4 Jr. Play Sr. Play Band President - 3 Perfect Attendance - 3 KMEA District Band - 3 KMEA State Band - 3 State Piano Contest - 2 Instrumental Solos -2.3


Carla Sue Katina

FHA $-1,2,3,4$
FHA Songleader 4 Kayettes - 2, 3,4 Pep Club - 1, 2, 3, 4 Volleyball - 3, 4 Track - 2 Band 3, 4 Chorale - 1, 2,
3, 4 Pop Singers -
3,4 Jr. Play

Forensics - 1, 2, 3 , 4 Jr. Play Sr. Play Perfect Attendance

Cornell Jean
Kinderknecht


Chorale - 1 Band -1,2 Pep Club 2, 4 Library Aid 40 Of fie Assistant - 4 Jr. Play Forensics 3 Honor Roll - 2, 3 Perfect Attendance - 3 Sr. Play Journalism - 4

Kamilla Ann Atrobe


Gregory Lion $^{2}$
Kinderknecht


Football - 1, 2, 3, 4 Basketball - 1, 2, 3, 4 Track - 1, 2, 3, 4 Class Officer- $-1,3$ Stuco Representative -2 Boys' State - 3 Pop Singers - 4 Journalism - 4 Pep Club-1, 2, 3, 4

Mitchel Eugene Light

Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 Pep Club-1, 2, 3, 4 Jr. Play Sr. Play Pop Singers - 2, 3, 4 Chorale - 1, 2, 3 Band - 1 Spring Play - 1, 2, 3 FHA - 4 Journalism - 4 Office Assistant - 4 Honor Roll - 3, 4 FFA Sweetheart Candidate Perfect Attendance - 1,3,4 Typing Award - 3 Forensics - 1, 2, 3, 4 KMEA District Choir - 2, 3 State Music Contest Solo Musi
$-2,3$


Christine Rose Pfeifer


Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 FHA - 1, 2, 3, 4 Pen Club - 1,2,3,4 Honor Roll - 1, 2, 4 Forensics - 1, 2, 3, 4 Volleyball - 2,3 , 4 Band - 1, 2, 3, 4 FHA Songleader 3 Pep Club Secretary - 3 Jr. Play Pop Singers - 3,4 Snoball Princess - 3 Pep Club Treasurer - 4 Homecoming Queen Candidate Snoball Queen Candidate Kayette Board-4Sr. Play

## Michelle Lynn Martin

Basketball-1,2,3, 4 FFA - 1 Pep Club - 1, 2, 3, 4 Forensics $\quad 2$ Office Machines Award -

FHA -1 Kayettes 1, 2, 3, 4 Kayette Officer - 4 Forensics - 1, 2, 3 Volleyball - 2 Class Officer - 2 Chorale - 1, 2, FFA Sweetheart Jr. Play Spring Play
Snoball

Queen Candidate Homecoming Queen Candidate Stuco Representative - 4 Yearbook Editor - 4 Office Assistant - 4 Prom Server


Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 Kayette President 4 Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4 Track - 1, 2, 3, 4 Volleyball - 2 Jr. Play Cross Country -4 Sr . Play Kayette Board - 3

Basketball - 1, 2, : 4 Football - 1, 2, 3 4 Track - $1,2,3,4$ Pep Club - 1, 2, 3. 4 Pep Band - 1 Snoball King Candidate Pop Singers $-4$

David Michael Schoenberger

Pep Club - 3, 4 FHA - 3, 4 Kayetles - 4

Deborah Ann Pipes


FHA - 1, 2, 3, 4 Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 Band - 4 Chorale - 3, 4 Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4

Kimberley Ann
Seitzinger

Pep Club - 3, 4 Honor Roll - 3, 4 FHA - 4 Basket. ball - 3 Track - 3 Cross Country - 3 Sr. Play Perfect Attendance -4


Pep Club - 3, 4 Basketball - 3, 4 Football - 3 Prom Server

Brett Wayne J way
Paula Yean Waldschmidt
Stuco Represendative - 1 Kayettes - 1, 2, 3, 4 Chorale - 1 FHA - 1 Pep Club - 1, 2, 3, 4 Spring Play - 1, 2 Prom Server Cheerleader - 2, 3 Ir. Play Sr. Play Journalism - 4 Offie Assistant - 4 Forenisics - 1, 2, 3,


## $D_{\text {ean }}$ Michael Weber

Drum Majorette 3, 4 Band - 1, 2, 3, 4, Basketball - 1, 2, 3, 4 Track - 1, 2, 3, 4 Volleyball - 2, 3, 4 Cheerleader - 1,2 Prom Server Forensics - 2, 3 Jr. Play St. Play Stuco Representative - 1 Class Secretary - 2 Class President - 3 Class Vice-President - 4 Pep Club - 1 , 2, 3, 4 Kayettes - 1 . 2, 3, 4 Kayette Board - 4 Pep Club Secretary - 3 Pep Club Vice-President -4 State Band - 3


Football - 2, 3, 4 Golf - 2, 3 Track -2 Jr. Play Sr. Play Pop Singers - 4 Prom Server Homecoming King Pep Club - 2, 3, 4

Golf - 2, 3 Pep Club - 4 Jr. Play Sr. Play Wrestling - 3 Journalism - 4 Football Manager -



## LOOK TO THE FUTURE

# Congratulations to the Class 

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## CLASS OF 1984



## F.F.A. Looks to a Bright Future

With an increase in membership, the Ellis Chapter of Future Farmers of America proved that they had the skill and dedication to strive toward new goals and showed their determination by placing in various judging contests. Ellis placed fifth at FFA Leadership school held at Hill City, missing fourth place by one point. Besides placing at Hill City, the FFA boys also took third place at a crops judging contest at Palco and placed tenth at a dairy judging contest at Hays.

Other activities FFA was involved in was a fruit sale. Oranges, apples, and grapefruit were sold by the FFA members. A total of $\$ 900$ was made from this money making project. Leland Kinderknecht sold 47 boxes for high salesman.

A hay ride was something new that

FFA added to their events last year Bundled up warm, a group of FFA members and their guests huddled on the back of two trailers and sang Christmas carols around town. Hot chocolate warmed the carolers after a cold ride.

The FFA teamed up with FHA and held the 2nd Annual Barnwarmer. Kathy Augustine was chosen the FFA Sweetheart. She went to represent the Ellis FFA Chapter at the Regional FFA Sweetheart Contest.

To end the year, FFA held a Parent Appreciation Banquet to thank parents and other people involved in the FFA program. New officers were installed, ready to take on the next year's activities to make FFA a bigger and better program.


Officers for FFA included L. Gottschalk, reporter T. Gaschler, treasurer M. Dinkel, Vice President K. Gaschler, President G. Flax, Sentinel M. Brack, Secretary (not pictured C. Honas, Stuco)


Front: Kelli Fabrizius, Darren Fischer, Leland Kinderknecht, Steve Homburg, Ricky Aschenbrenner, Jimmy Kinderknecht, Wayne Augustine, Bryon Houghton, Stan Flinn, Monty Groff, Terry Gilliland, Darren Riedel, Kevin

Dinkel, Gary Seibel, Rodney King, Joe Waldschmidt, Mark Dinkel, Jerry Pfeifer, Tim Augustine, Brian Weber Back: Mr. Pfeifer, Gary Fischer, Wayne Kohl, Kevin Pfanenstiel,

Gordy Flax, Mark Brack, Galen Herman, Terry Gaschler, Jeff Ptaschek, Travis Groff, Jeff Honas, Chris Honas, Lyle Gottschalk, Kent Gaschler, Randy Herman


1. FFA queen was Kathy Augustine. Kathy has lived on a farm all her life and knows a lot about the farm chores so she will make a fine representative for our chapter.
2. Candidates for FFA queen for 1981 were Brenda King, Velma Lang, Rose Befort and Kathy Augustine. All of these girls showed their talents well when being judged.
3. Clowning around on the job? C. Honas and D. Honas prepare to weld headers for Darryl's jeep so everyone is sure to hear his drive down main.
4. Eldon Pfeifer aids L. Gottschalk in putting together a lawn mower engine. Lyle has been in FFA for three years and obtained an office for 1980-81
5. Selling fruit was a top money making project for FFA. Leland Kinderknecht was top seller for the year. He sold 47 boxes of fruit.
6. First try at judging crops sent the team home with a 3 rd place plaque.


## Growing Together

Future Homemakers of America helping people to help themselves create a better tomorrow. FHA is a national organization of more than 363,500 high school students belonging to 12,654 active chapters.

The 1980-81 FHA Chapter of EHS was on its way before the school year started. In June and July it started making money by offering the baseball fans a concession stand. On July 28th the club had a swimming party to introduce new members to the fun of being in FHA. To gain new ideas Mrs. Duell and five officers attended FHA camp at Emporia State University.

Magazine sales ran from September 5th thru the 19th as an annual money making project. The 1980-81 magazine sales were at an all time high with the club making over $\$ 2,000$. The night of September 6 th freshman members were kidnapped from their homes and initiated.

During the month of October members who wished to attend the District B Fall Conference went to Smith Center the 7th. Later in the month the girls participated in a game of Powder Puff football with the Sr . guys coaching them and the Jr. guys cheering for them. This took place the night of the 20th. The
game totals were Reds 28 and Blues 14. The proceeds went to The Good Samaritan Center.

Members and guests enjoyed a night of skating during the month of November. The club also had a night to work on degrees and have a banana split party.

For Christmas there was a pot luck supper with a visit from Santa and gifts were exchanged. After the party, members went caroling.

February was another busy month as many members participated at District Election. Chonda Engel placed 1st in the creed contest and Patty Honas placed 3rd.

The 1980-81 year came to an end during the months of April and May. April 28th new officers were installed at the Parent Appreciation Banquet. Attending the State Meeting at Wichita on May 8th was an honor for those members who achieved the most points throughout the year.

1. After a long swim at the pool, everyone went to a near by park and pigged-out on the food they all had brought. Members of each class brought a different dish.
2. Kathy Augustine, Chris Honas, and Christine Pfeifer were having a few laughs to pass the time away on the trip back from Smith Center.


Freshmen
Front Row: Celeen Fisher, Scottic Mattison, Dee Dee Waldschmidt, Rhonda Kuhn, Lisa Keller, Patty Honas, Chonda Engel, Deana Sproul, Bev Sipes, Debbie Waldschmidt, Lisa Lang Back Row: Connic Brungardt, Brenda Weber, Maryl Brack, Jeanie Rathbun, Annette Erbert, Brenda Rupp, Dianne Light. Lisa Bongartz, Karlene Kroell, Karla Ray, Tina Armbruster Not Pietured: Carol Mask. Crystal Weber



1. Members of FHA enjoyed an evening swim at the swimming party to get to know the upcoming freshman and to familiarize them with the fun of being in FHA.
2. At Fall Conference the Ellis FHA Chapter provided a birthday party for FHA's 35 th birthday. Rose Honas began with a song and at the end, cake and punch were served. 3. It was time to rise and shine for many freshman members. Dianne Light and Patty Honas were having a hard time keeping their eyes open at $3: 30$ in the morning.



Sophomores
Front Row: Angela Gabel, La Vonne Kuhn, Jill Wickham, Kelli Picking, Linda Fox, Wanda King, Amy Leiker
Back Row: Kathy Gnad, Karla Lang, Kelli Fabrizius, Jeanette Pfeifer, Leslie Howerton, Shelly Gilliland, Beth Henrickson, Jenniffer Pinney

1. The 1980-81 Officers and Adviser Front: Cheryl Bongartz: Stuco Rep. and State Sec Sandra Bongartz: Points Chairman, Lora Rupp Treasurer, Carla Kutina: Songleader. Becky Glendenning: President and 2nd Vice-Pres. for District B
Back: Kathy Augustine; Sec, Shelly Fuller: Historian, Rose Honas; Vice-Pres., Debbie Kinderknecht: Degree Chairman, Mrs. Duell:
2. Cheryl Bongartz went from cheerleader to quarterback when she attempted to run through the Reds and score a touch down for the Blues
3. The Reds huddled to decide on a play to enable them to make a touch down and build their score Coach. Mitch Light, gave the girls advice on their decision.
4. While the girls warmed up the cheerleaders practiced their stunts along the sidelines. They also cheered throughout the game. Can you guess who they are?


Juniors
Front Row: Lora Rupp, Sharon Gabel, Suzanne Martin, Shelly Fuller, Debbie Kinderknecht, Rhonda Yowell, Sharon Bongartz, Faye Stegman, Clorise Boutin
Back Row: Kathy Augustine, Brenda King, Sandra Bongartz, Brenda Honas, Angela Balmer, Velma Lang, Rose Befort, Brenda Augustine Denelle Kritz Not Pictured: Karen Wolf. Marie Rupp.
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1. What's this? Well on the day of the Homecoming parade some club members decided to decorate Lora Rupp's car to represent our FHA Chapter.
2. What a relief it is! When the skating was over, Annette Erbert removes the heavy skates from her tired, aching feet to give them a breath of fresh air.
3. Mrs. Duell got a piece of action. She skated with the members and remained very active with the members and club activities.
4. Got ya Brenda! Many of the members needed a little help now and then while working on their degrees. It is obvious that Brenda King needed some
5. Michelle Martin and Blaine Tway worked quick and hard to get their degree papers finished. After their papers were handed in they received a banana split.


We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage and high hope.
For we have the clear consciousness of seeking Old and precious values.
For we are the builders of homes.
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Homes where living is the expression of everything
That is good and fair.
Homes where truth, love, security, and faith
Will be realities, not dreams.
We are the Future Homemakers of America.
We face the future with warm courage and high hopes.


Seniors
Front Row: Kim Seitzinger, Carla Kutina, Sue Weber, Becky Glendenning, Debbie Sipes
Back Row: Cheryl Bongartz, Tammy Deutscher, Christine Pfeifer, Rose Honas, Michelle Martin, LeAnn Dinkel
Not Pietured: Rhonda Gabel, Brenda Bullock, Chris Honas, Blaine Tway, Yvonne Bongartz

## The Wonderful World of Kayettes

This year the Freshman Kayettes portrayed Disney characters for initiation. The girls wore their costumes the entire school day and also at the pot luck supper held that evening. Prizes were awarded to the best dressed Disney Characters.

Kayettes had a toy drive on September 16-18 for Ernest Beckler who fixed the toys and distributed them to various needy children.

They also had a clothing drive on September 22-24 for Goodwill.

Kayettes attended the Regional 1 Conference on October 9 at Hill City. Those attending were: Becky and Beth Glendenning, Chonda Engel, Marian Schafer, Karla Lang, Tina Armbruster, Deana Sproul, Maryl Brack, and Mrs. Danner the sponsor of Kayettes.

Kayettes sold Holly on October 13, 1980 at 7:00 p.m. They canvased the town as a group to sell holly. While they were selling holly they had to collect money for the United Fund Drive. The top two saleswomen who sold the most holly were Marian


Schafer with 30 orders and Lora Rupp with 24 orders. The money that the Kayettes collected went toward the Snoball band.

They also sold Spook Insurance on October 27. They sold the insurance to businesses, and to people that owned cars.

A Park Clean Up took place on November 10, 1980. The Kayettes went down to the park to rake leaves and put them into trash bags.

1. Lisa Keller, Lisa Bongartz, Debbie Waldschmidt, Beverly Sipes, and Maryl Brack anticipate the surprise of Freshman Initiation.


Front Row: Yvonne Bongartz, Sharon Dorzweiler, Cheryl Bongartz, Beth Glendenning, Becky Glendenning, Mary Kay Riedel, Susan Weber, Rhonda Gabel, Carla Kutina, Debbie Sipes
Back Row: Rose Honas, Michelle Martin, Marian Schafer, Chris Pfeifer, Tammy Deutscher, Arlene Amrein, Brenda Bolluck, Gladys Flax, Karen Dorzweiler, Paula Waldschmidt, Mary Younger, LeAnn Dinkel



1. Front Row: Kathy Augustine, Mary Kay Riedel, Linda Fox, Rhonda Gabel, Susan Weber, Beth Glendenning, Becky Glendenning
Back Row: Sharon Dorzweiler, Sharon Bongartz, Michelle Martin, Yvonne Bongartz Marian Schafer, Ailene Amrein, Wanda King, Paula Waldschmidt, Karen Dorzweiler 2. Scottie Matteson tries to get the schick close shave
2. Chris Pfeefer and Yvonne Bongartz seek revenge in the waterballoon catch

3. Front Row: Rhonda Yowell, Debbie Brenda Augustine, Brenda Honas Kinderknecht, Marie Rupp, Sharon Bongartz, Back Row: Sharon Gabel, Velma Lang, Shelly Sandy Bongartz, Brenda King, Rose Befort,

Back Row: Sharon Gabel, Velma Lang, Shelly
Fuller, Kathy Augustine, Corona Flax,

Suzanne Martin, Lora Rupp, Brenda Littlechild, Denelle Kritz


Kayettes did it again. Their "Dress Up Day" was a success another year. Winning the contest with gift certificates to JC Penneys were Brenda Honas and Marty Patterson.

All of the Kayettes went to church on December 7, 1980 to get a point for Snoball.

Kayettes collected papers and
donated to the Boy Scouts.
Kayettes also sponsored the annual Rose Sale on Valentines Day. Red meant I Love You, Pink meant I Like to get to Know You Better. White meant I Like You.

Kayettes had a Fundraising Project and sold items such as stationery, memo pads for $\$ 3.00$ each.


1. Freshman tradition reversed as senior g ts trash canned at the Park Clean Up.
2. Brenda Honas and Marty Patterson won the Dress Up Day Contest.

3. Front Row: Angela Gabel, La Vonne Kuhn, Jill Wickham, Kelly Picking, Linda Fox, Wanda King, Amy Leiker,

Back Row: Kathleen Gnad, Karlà Lang, Kelli Fabrizius, Jeanette Pfeifer, Leslie Howerton, Shelly Gilliland, Beth Henrickson, Jennifer Pinney

## An Old Time Gathering



Front Row: Dee Dee Waldschmidt, Coleen Flsher, Brenda Weber, Scottie Matteson, Deena Schuster, Rhonda Kuhn, Lisa Keller, Patricia Honas, Chonda Engel, Deana Sproul, Beverly Sipes, Debra Waldschmidt, Lesa Lang,
Back Row: Connie Brungardt, Maryl Brack, Lisa Metzler, Eugena Rathbun, Annette Erbert, Brenda Rupp, Diane Light, Lisa Bongartz, Karlene Kroell, Karla Ray, Tina Armbruster.

## Practice Makes Perfect

If during a normal day someone were to walk by the music room female voices would not have been the only voices they would have heard. The male voices had come back into chorus giving it a richer sound. The chorus was under the direction of Cheryl Conklin this past year.

The chorus was featured in the Christmas Concert for the community. From the chorus a select group of girls made up a small ensemble which sang songs at different
organizations and different school functions throughout the year

The choir and small ensemble also participated in the MCL Music Clinic held in Ellis. Ellis, along with Trego, Hill City, Plainville and Victoria spent the day learning songs under the mass choir director. The day ended with a concert for the community. Long hours were then spent getting ready to compete in the State Music Contest. But after a long fulfilled day and good rankings, the hard work was worth all the ef-

fort put into getting ready for the competition.

The year ended for the choir with its Spring Concert. This concert reminded them of all the improvement they had made in the past year.
"Practicing long hours makes enjoyable concerts for others to hear. Sharing the talent we enjoy most seems worthwhile. We're all just one big happy family," quoted Maryl Brack, a choir student.

1. Small girls ensemble performing at the Christmas Concert.
2. Miss Conklin preparing to start the Choir singing.



Front Row: W. Bongartz, R. King, D. Gottschalk, J. Ptaschek, R. Herman, G. Herman, P. Wolf, B. Weber, J. Pfeifer, E. Mayes, J. Beglar, J. Honas. Back Row: C. Brungardt, W. Augustine, M. Brack, T. Boutin, D. Sproul, D. Waldschmidt, J. Rathbun, C. Engel, L. Bongartz, C.


Mask, B. Rupp, C. Fischer, D. Light, A. Erbert, and M. Redden. M. Kroell, L. Bacher, F. Stegman, S. Fuller, C. Boutin, S. Bongartz

## Singing in the Spotlight

The Pop Singers became a more popular and bigger group at EHS this past year. With a chance to have fun and new adventures to achieve, it became a group you wanted to get involved in. They were under the direction of Cheryl Conklin.

Tryouts were held at the beginning of the school year for spots in the group. Over 50 students tried out but only 27 made the group. Outfits were then picked for the group which they wore when they performed throughout the year.
The first performance for the group was at the MCL Music Clinic, which was held at Ellis this past year. Each school, Ellis, Trego, Plainville, and Victoria, featured a group from their school.
The first concert of the year for the Pop Singers was the Christmas Concert. Besides getting ready for the Concert they were featured on KAYS-TV for the Christmas Season.
Singing popular songs and entertaining people is the Pop Singers main concern. But once during the year they slowed down the pace and worked on serious music for the State Music Contest. Good rankings and a lot of fun made each person proud to be a part of the group.
The Spring Concert was the last major performance of the year for the group.
As Tammy Deutscher quoted, "Being a member of the Pop Singers was a great privilege. It was a group that people looked up to with admiration."

1. Pop Singers performing one of the many songs they sang at the Christmas Concert 2. Tammy Deutscher the Pop Singers accompanist. She has accompanied the Pop Singers her four years of high school.


Front Row: M. Henrickson, F. Boutin, B. Honas, T. Deutscher, C. Bongartz, K. Fabrizius, C. Kutina, D. Fischer, T. Halligan. Middle Row: A. Duell, S. Fuller, L. Lang, J. Weisner, B. Rupp. C. Pfeifer, R. Honas, M. Martin, L. Howerton, B. Henrickson, Baek Row: J. Beglar, C Kinderknecth, S. Ray, M. Kroell, S. Flinn, M. Light, D. Schoenberger and R. Weber.

## Tuned Into Life

The stadium swells with spectators. Loyal fans, whistling and cheering, exchange greetings with members of the most entertaining group around. This group of individuals is known as the band.

The E.H.S. band did a great deal of work over the past year getting ready to perform at pep assemblies, sports events, and concerts. They had to entertain the fans during halftime at football and basketball games. This meant devoting alot of time and effort into performing well.

The band put on two concerts, the Christmas concert and the spring concert. They also went to MCL contest and State contest doing a fine job. Miss Cheryl Conklin was the new band director and did a great job with the students.

The band had a money-making project to get new uniforms by selling various kinds of cheese. It turned out well, raising about fourteen hundred dollars. This proves the band had another successful year.

1. Miss Cheryl Conklin, the new band and vocal teacher, shows us her directing talents during another hard-working day in band class.
2. M. Brack is keeping to the beat of the music during the Homecoming Parade which helped psyche up the football players for the big game.

3. Concentration is the key word for $K$. Fabrizius to acquire her percussion skills Hang in there Kelli, you'll get it right sooner or later.


4. Brass; Front Row: T. Fuller, S. Homburg, and D. Kinderknecht. Second Row: D. Fisher, J. Ptaschek, G. Augustine, E. Mayes, and D. Light.

5. Woodwind; First Row: C. Fisher, K. Wolf, S. Bongartz, S. Weber, L. Keller, and Y. Bongartz. Second Row: C. Engel, R. Kuhn, K. Ray, L. Bongartz, A. Erbert, B. Rupp, L. Lang, and D. Sproul.

6. The E.H.S. band provides music during the Christmas Concert, getting the audience in the Christmas spirit, and making it an enjoyable evening for everyone
7. L. Keller looks real determined on getting her notes right while practicing on her flute for Pep band music. It isn't as easy as it looks! 3. Freshmen K. Ray and D. Sproul seem a little bit puzzled on what note to play next while performing a song on their alto saxophones.


8. Brass; Front Row: R. Honas, S. Matteson, M. Redden, and H. Redden. Second Row: T. Halligan, B. Henrickson, J. Begler, J. Rathbun, and M. Henrickson.

9. Percussion; Front Row: M. Martin, G. Martin, and M. Brack. Second Row: C. Kutina, C. Bongartz, K. Seitzinger, and K. Fabrizius.

## Forensics: A Shining Season

It was a shining season long to be remembered by all Forensics members. Jackie Neidig left her position as coach of the Ellis High School Forensics Team after three years of hard work. With three MCL titles and fourteen trophies to her name, hers was a hard act to follow. But maybe not hard enough

New Ellis High School Forensics Coach Donna Matney showed her stuff as being a good tough coach by bringing home five trophies and the fourth consecutive MCL title.
"Reagan's economic policy is one of many cuts and

Extemporancous Speaking attracted Cheryl Bongartz who drew the topic of "Reagan and the Economy.


Talent from all four classes combined to acquire these trophies for her

The Freshman members provided fresh talent while the Sophomore, Junior, and Senior members returned with their talent, expertise, and experience.

Competition among the schools was tough, but our talent was not dimmed. Out of fifty members from our school, two Freshmen, one Sophomore, five Juniors, ten Seniors, and the One Act Play, "House of Blue Leaves," qualified for State Forensics.
"A possible solution to this problem is . .." Oration found Michelle Martin discussing the problem of "Censorship and the Schools.


State Forensics was held at Ransom High School. Eighteen members from our school qualified for State, some in more than one category. Ellis managed to bring home twelve first place medals, four second place medals, and one third place medal.

Forensics Night and a banquet were held in honor of the Forensics members.
Two members were given top honors. Jackie Weisner was named as Best Actor, and Michelle Martin was named as Best Public Speaker

Ellis High School Forensics Coach Donna Matney



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TOURNAMENTS
Hays Toastmasters - Second I-2-3 A Garden City - First 1-2-3A. Second Overall
Natoma - Nineth Scott City - Fourth Norton - Third Lacrosse - Fifth MID CONTINENT LEAGUE FIRST

1. "But Harrison Bergeron looked like a walking junkyard ..." Greg Kinderknecht and "Harrison Bergeron" worked well together for Prose.
2. "I shall hurt him and I shall hurt him severely ..." A Greek tragedy came forth as Rose Honas performed "Medea" for Dramatic Interpretation.
3. "And you are nothing but a mental case ." Cornell Kinderknecht, Velma Lang, and Jackie Weisner proved unbeatable in the One Act Play "House of Blue Leaves."
4. "You look so tasty and delicious and tender Becky and Beth Glendenning ham it up with their Improvised Duet Act "The Devil's Dinner.



Forensics Squad. Front row: Angela Balmer, Karen Dorzweiler, Tammy Deutseher, Becky Glendenning, Beth Glendenning, Lora Rupp. Debbie Kinderknecht, Michelle Martin. Middle row: Kevin Dinkel. Denelle Kritz, Cheryl Bongartz, Chris Pfeifer, Mary Younger, Rose Honas, Mike Henrickson. Back row: Alan Duell, Cornell Kinderknecht, Velma Lang, Sieg Lang, Marty Patterson. Mike Kroell. Greg Kinderknecht, Jackie Weisner.

## Bleacher Creatures



The yelling, screaming, laughing noises came from the bleachers of the E.H.S. gymnasium as the opposing team once again took defeat. The 1980-81 year was an outstanding year for all sports teams, and with all the great teams followed the enthusiastic pep club.

The year was full of activities but never the less attending the football and basketball games became a popular fad at E.H.S. This was obvious being that one hundred and thirty-five students joined pep club during the 1980-81 year.

One of the events for pep club non related to sports was a swimming party at the Gross Memorial Coliseum followed by pizza afterwards.

1. E.H.S. Pep Club surely was looking good for the 1980-81 year as shown by Jeff Honas John Befort appears very engrossed in the game.
2. The wrestlers put on a surprise skit to do a little revenge on the cheerleaders. The Elephank known as nuts just happens to get the gals a bit wet.
3. The officers from Pep Club from right to left. J. Clantz, (sponsor) R. Honas (pres.) S Weber (V. pres.) B. Honas (Sec.) M. Martin (treas) R. Yowell (stuco) S. Fuller (pts.)
4. Blindfolded D. Honas goes for it. The object of the skit is to eat their way to each other However, Darrly doesn't realize he gets to kiss mother Shirly.



Front Row Connic Brungardt, Peggy Quillen, Debbic Waldschmidt, Wanda King. Kelly Picking. LaVonne Kuhn, Amy Leiker, Rhonda Kuhn, Lisa Keller, Shelly Gilliland, Kelli Fabrizius, Beth Henrickson. Lesa Lang. Tina Armbruster. Tina Boutin Second Row Coleen Fisher. Hellen Redden, Brenda Weber, Scotte Matteson, Bel Sipes, Kinda Fox, Chonda Engel, Patty Honas, Dee Dee
Waldschmidt, Annette Erbert. Diane Light, Karlene Kroell, Lisa Bongartz, Brenda Rupp: Karla Waldschmidt, Annette Erbert. Diane Light, Karlene Kroell. Lisa Bongartz. Brenda Rupp; Karla
Ray, Maryl Brack. Deana Sproul, Angie Gabel, Mary Redden Third Row Leonard LaBarge, Mark Ray, Maryl Brack, Deana Sproul, Angie Gabel, Mary Redden Third Row Leonard La Barge, Mark
Dinkel. Frank Boutin. Montgomery Groff. Terry Gilliland, Darren Riedel. Jerry Dick, Wayne Dinkel. Frank Boutin. Montgomery Groff. Terry Gilliland, Darren Riedel. Jerry Dick, Wayne
Augustine, Greg Martin, Wayne Bongart, Leland Kinderknecht, Kenny Schmidt. Jeanie AugusLine. Greg Martin. Wayne Bongartz, Leland Kinderknecht. Kenny Schmidt, Jeanie Rathburn. Karta tanc. Leslic Howerton, Jeanette Pfeifer. Kathy Gnad Back Row Junc Glantz,
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Mayes. Jeff Honas. Travis Groff. John Befort. Dean Gottschalk, Brent Stegman, Eddic Dinkel. Mayes, Jeff Honas. Travis Groff, John Befort, Dean Gottschalk, Brent Stegman, Eddic Dinkel,
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Front Row Debbie Kinderknecht, Rose Befort, Marie Rupp. Brenda Augustine, Rhonda Yowell, Denelle Kritz, Kathy Augustinc, Brenda King. Brenda Honas, Sandy Bongartz, Lora Rupp. Sharon Gabel. Faye Stegman, Clorice Boutin. Suzanne Martin Second Row Mike Henrickson. Rick Aschenbrenner, Loren Boos, Darryl Schoenberger, Bob Augustine, Dale Henderson, Gladys Flax, Kim Seitzinger, Michelle Martin, Rose Honas, Yvonne Bongartz. Brenda Bullock. Sonja Armbruster, LeAnn Dinkel. Corona Flax Back Row Mike Downing, Gordy Flax, Troy Wickham, Mark Brack, Brett Tway, Seig Lang, Kevin Pfeifer, Mitch Light, Blaine Tway, Cornelle Kinderknecht, Mike Kroll, Brad Leiker. Marty Patterson, Dave Schoenberger.


This event was added to boost membership, and the fun event proved to work well.
Seeing orange hats and all assortments of ski vests with the popular railroad train was a great spirit booster sponsored by pep club. Working together with the town Booster Club was another idea as pep club and the booster club sponsored the 5th Quarter. Here people gathered after the games to fill up on all kinds of goodies and to share their joy or their defeat or discuss the game otherwise.

Buttons with team pictures of football sponsored by Ellis State Bank and Golden Belt Savings and Loan were handed out at the football games for a great publicity idea. This idea passed on through wrestling thanks to Golden Belt Savings and Loan, Rich's IG-A, Disney's Quick Stop and Town and Country Beauty Salon. Since basketball was E.H.S.'s top sport, 1000 buttons were ordered to satisfy the enthusiastic fans. Boys B-ball buttons sponsored by Golden Belt Coop and Ellis State Bank were to be seen on almost every fan, if it


wasn't a boys button then you might have seen one of the girls buttons which were sponsored by Honas Heating and Air Conditioning and Bob's Skelly along with the Village Pharmacy. "These are great," replied a fan after receiving a button and offered to pay for it, but the great thing of it was that they were free thanks to the supporting businesses.

Making posters was another feature from our pep club. Secret fans were drawn by all members and sportsters to boost spirit. Notes and goodies were to be found in many lockers from the rambunctious fans. At the end of each different season, the long wait of finding out who had who for a secret fan was revealed, and all got to thank their secret fan.

1. Ambitious Secret Fans decorated lockers to get players fired up for their game. The halls showed tremendous school spirit and idea worked great.
2. A swimming party at Hays was a new event added to boost membership. Members show off their diving skills.
3. Enthusiastic members wave posters to show their spirit at M.C.L. Endless amounts of paper, markers, paint, and tape were used to make supportive posters.
4. Making posters at E.H.S. became a popular fad at E.H.S. The gym was always well decorated thanks to the supportive fans. Pictured are students doing their thing.
5. Cornell Kinderknecht and Kelli Fabrizius were a great addition to the club. Their music definitely got the crowd fired up to cheer the Railers on to victory.


## Stuco Year Shines

Man has forever felt that is is the right of all to be represented in some form. Public Education is no exception and in schools such as Ellis High the organization Student Council plays a very important part in the communication between students and faculty and in adding to the fun and enjoyment that school has brought for those young and old alike.

During the 1980-81 school year the Student Council of Ellis High did its very best to represent each and every one of the students at Ellis High.

The traditional responsibilities of
 Stuco are to sponsor Homecoming and provide a weiner roast and bonfire. Several different Lyceums are provided for the student and faculty throughout the school year. Stuco did something different this year, during Thanksgiving an all school turkey shoot was held and three turkeys were given away. In a school system all things go together to make the school possible. Schools are provided for the student's benefit. By having a Student Council the students are heard by all and both students and faculty prosper. This year Stuco Shown Let It Shine On.


Stuco Members. Front row: Tina Armbruster, Patty Honas, Brenda Honas Secretary, Mary Riedel, Wanda King Treasurer, Rhonda Yowell, Beeky Glendenning. Back row: Annette Erbert, Lyle Gottschalk President, Kent Gaschler, Darryl Schoenberger, Cheryl Bongartż, Sharon Bongartz Vice President.

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## E.H.S. Football "81": Back in Black


. Front: Daren Fischer, Joe Waldschmidt, Ken Waters, Greg Martin, Emmett Bieker, Jerry Pfeifer, Stan Flinn, Steve Homburg, Ricky Ashchenbrenner, Manager, Monty Groff.
Middle: Gordy Flax, Darryl Honas, Michael Henrickson, Troy Schoenthaler, Earl Mayes, Jerry Brungardt, Gary Seibel, Randy Herman, Wayne Kohl, Travis Groff, Dale Henderson, Roger Weber, Manager, Steve Light.
Back: Assistant Coach Bill Koffman, Bill Befort, Dean Gottschalk, Marty Patterson, Mark Brack, Lyle Gottschalk, Chris Honas, Mitch Light, John Befort, Dave Schoenberger, Bob Augustine, Darryl Schoenberger, Loren Boos, Sieg Lang, Coach Doug Gordon

After years of taking it on the chin, the Railroaders 1980-81 football season turned out to be an opportune time for giving some of the bruises they had received in the past. Using ten seniors who had all seen action as underclassmen, the Railers proved themselves to be a team to be contended with in the Mid-Continent League. The season, however, was not without its ups and downs as the Railers dropped their season opener to Smith Center in an extremely close game that ended in an overtime score of 7-6 in favor of the Redmen.

Undaunted, the Railers traveled to Norton defeating the Bluejays 20-14. The defense excelled against Norton limiting them to 125 yards, the lowest that year.

Encouraged by their victory, the team met Stockton at home. Good fortune was not with the Railers as they lost another close and depressing game to the Tigers in two over-
times 20-19.
Looking for vengeance the Railroaders traveled to Osborne. Getting off to a slow start, the score was tied at half $0-0$. Prepared to win, the Railers returned to completely blank the Bulldogs 19-0.
The team then met the Victoria Knights at home in the battle of Ellis County and the Railer Homecoming. Trailing into the second quarter $6-0$, the Railroaders, returned and scored a touchdown in each of the remaining quarters to defeat the Knights 21-12.
Rolling on their way with gathered enthusiasm, the Railers continued on to Phillipsburg. Trailing the Panthers 8-0 at halftime, the team returned with some advice from Coach Gordon and beat the Panthers, 35-8.

The Railroaders then returned home to do battle with arch rival, Wakeeney. Trailing 8-0 at half the

Railers came back and led by fullback Chris Honas held the Eagles scoreless defeating them 22-8 for the first time in twenty years.

With a record of 5-2, the Railroaders were tied with Plainville for the league championship.

## Darryl Honas <br> Offense - Quarterback <br> Defense - Safety



Meeting the Cardinals at Plainville the Raiders soon found themselves in trouble as they turned over the ball nine times. Tied 7-7 with one minute left to play, the Cardinals capitalized on a Ellis penalty and scored a touchdown defeating the Railers 14-7.

Discouraged, the Railers traveled to Hill City with a $5-3$ record needing a win to qualify for the state playoffs. However the Ringnecks scored early in the first quarter and held the injury plagued Railers scoreless the rest of the game defeating them 6-0.


1. Team captains Chris Honas and Roger Weber meet with the opposing team captains to decide the toss.
2. The coaches give Darryl Honas and Roger Weber some advice during the game.
3. Coach Koffman warms up the line before the game.
4. Coach Gordon shows signs of worry from the line during the game.


Bob Agustine Offense - Halfback Defense - Linebacker



As all games must come to an end so must all seasons. Even though the Railroaders didn't make it to the state playoffs as hoped they still came through with a 5-4 winning season. The success of the team was attributed largely to the efforts of Chris Honas who was selected for the All-State team. Many members of the squad were selected for the AllLeague team and the defense was credited with an average of four quarterback sacks per game, plus losing the four games by a total of only 16 points. This proved quite definitely that the Railroaders were nobody's doormat.

Dale Henderson Offense - Guard Defense - End


1. Bobby Augistine makes a dash for the goal line pursued by an opposing team member 2. Dave Schoenberger sits on the sideline after being injured.
2. The Ellis team waits for a referee's decision during the game.


Michael Hendrickson Offense - Tackle Defense - Tackle All-league - Offense Tackle Defense - Tackle



Lyle Gottschalk Offense - Guard Defense - End All-league - Offense Guard Defense - End All-State - Defense - End



Bill Befort Offense - Tackle Defense - Tackle



Mitch Light
Ojfense - End Defense - End
All-league - End



1. Darryl Honas tries for a few extra yards before getting caught. 2. Two Ellis players stand by the sideline on one of the colder game nights.
2. Chris Honas starts another of his many yard gaining runs.
3. Bobby Augustine tries to edge around a Wakeeney opponent to gain some more yards. Chris Honas
Offense - Fullback
Defense - Tackle
All-league - Offense - Fullback
All-State - Offense - Fullback


"Let's get fired up! WE ARE FIRED UP!"
During pep assemblies, football games, and basketball games, most students associated this well-liked cheer with the varsity cheerleaders.

Pep assemblies were planned for most home games during homeroom. Mrs. Danner said, "I can't believe the school spirit. These pep assemblies are the best I have ever seen."

Cheerleading tryouts were held in April of 1980. Four Fort Hays State University cheerleaders were judges on the girls' ability. The following day, the student body voted on who they wanted for cheerleaders. The cheerleaders for the 1980-1981 school year were: Cheryl Bongartz, Rose Befort, Sandy Bongartz.
Brenda Honas,
Brenda King, and Denelle
Kritz. The
mascots were LeAnn Dinkel and Rose Honas.

The one senior and five junior cheerleaders traveled to Fort Hays State University July 7 through July 11 for summer camp. The squad recevied two superiors and one excellent for their cheeers. They also received the pep pin for the most overall spirit. This was acquired by each group of girls voting for the squad with the most personality, spirit, and ability. The cheerleaders enjoyed the week of camp and thought it was worthwhile. Head cheerleader, Cheryl Bongartz said. "Camp better prepared us for this year and we got to know each other better. Because it was a smaller camp, we got more personal attention." The cheerleaders brought

1. This stunt is as regular as the starting lineup since it is formed during the introduction of the players at each game.
2. "Stand up, give a cheer, the Railers are here." These are the words to one of the many stunts the A-team cheerleaders perform during varsity games.
3. Varsity cheerleaders: Sandy Bsngartz, Denelle Kritz, Cheryl Bongartz, Brenda King, Rose Befort, Brenda Honas
4. After a victorious basketball game and everyone had gone home, Cheryl picks up the


## We Are a Spirit Sensation

back a new idea from camp and that was the secret fans. All pep club members drew for a boy or girl involved in sports, cheerleading, or band. Throughout the season, they would secretly put posters and other "peppy" things in their locker. Commented Mr. Bowen, "Anything that helps promote spirit is an important part to the program."

Even when football season was over the cheerleaders continued practicing preparing for basketball season. They started by making posters for every wall in the gym to get everyone's spirit going again. During basketball season, t h e cheerleaders sponsored a 50 's day which was held on January 30, 1981. The class with the highest percentage of members dressed in 50's costumes was given a prize. The freshmen took first, the juniors placed second, the seniors finished third while the sophomores placed fourth.

There was one change from last year in the cheerleading program. There were two mascots chosen instead of one this year. Dressed every game in overalls, Rose Honas and LeAnn Dinkel have helped keep the school spirit high. They have done a great job!

Mrs. Glantz took over the big job of pep club sponsor this year. Not only did she sponsor the pep club she also helped the cheerleaders. Sandy Bongartz summed it up in two words when talking about Mrs. Glantz, "She's GREAT!"

As the year came to a close, new cheerleaders were picked for next year. But one cheerleader won't be back and that is the head cheerleader, Cheryl Bongartz. She was chosen head her junior and senior year. She has dedicated many long hours practicing to not only make the varsity cheerleaders look good but also the B-team and wrestling squads. The cheerleaders goal at the beginning of the year was not only to have the best school spirit but to be the No. 1 cheerleaders in the MCL. Being head cheerleader really leaves a lot of responsibility on one person. States Mrs. Glantz, "Cheryl is one fantastic person. I'd like to thank her for letting me be a part of her senior year and making my job so easy!" Cheryl has done a magnificent job which others will probably agree. She will be missed next year.

Cheering, painting posters and making up skits required more than just a loud voice, it required the time and effort of each girl. Cheerleading gave the girls the opportunity to meet new people, cheer in front of large crowds, and reach a goal which was to raise the best school spirit possible. And they did.


## Battling Against Foes

Some events in life are predetermined. Blondes have more fun, and the hare will always beat the tortoise. With a roster of nearly all sophomores and juniors, the odds were already stacked heavily against the 1980-81 Railroaders.

The team lacked the experience needed to be a top contender in class 3-A competition. The team only had two seniors to rely on, Marian Schafer and Susie Weber.

Although these girls had a tough season ahead of them, they never gave up hope. They turned to their team members for support. And that is exactly what they got. For the first time in many years there was a team effort.

Every member of the team was important. Because of the lack of seniors, the juniors played an important part in making the team a success.

The Roilroaders only won 5 games, but winning isn't the only thing involved in playing a game. They gained a lot of experience which will be an important part of their future.

Experience may have been one of the factors which prohibited the girls but a problem of practice stood in the way also. Although they could be found running sprints, drilling and shooting for two hours each day, they felt as if they practiced in the wrong place. At home games a team should have the advantage of knowing the court. Because they did not get in enough time in the new gym, they weren't as confident as they should have been.

Although they had a young team this year, the girls have gained a lot of experience. This in addition to their dedication and hard work will pay off in the future.



1. Front row: D. Kinderknecht A. Leiker Second row: L. Rupp S. Gilliland S. Weber S. Bongartz Back rew: W. King M. Schafer J. Pfeifer R. Brack D. Kritz not pietured J. Wiesner
2. Marian Schafer was one of the two seniors out for basketball this year. She had been playing for four years and had started on the varsity team her junior and senior year.
3. Susie Weber was the other senior out for basketball this year. Susie's position as a guard enabled her to handle the ball a great deal.
4. Shelly Gilliland concentrates on her form as she gets ready for a free throw. Shelly was a sophomore but her talent enabled her to start on the varsity team.
team. Mr. Kolaeny took time out of his busy schedule to give the photographer one of his award winning smiles. Mr. Kolacny was the girls varsity basketball coach.



GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL Ellis
$37 \quad$ Ness City 28

## Smith Center <br> 42

28
Trego ..... 46
Norton ..... 50
Stockton ..... 33
LaCrosse ..... 30
Osborne ..... 46
P-Ville ..... 40
Victoria ..... 53
Victoria ..... 55
P-Burg ..... 44
Quinter ..... 35
Trego ..... 50
P-Ville ..... 30
Victoria ..... 60
Hill City ..... 29
Oakley ..... 83
Ness City ..... 37

2. Marian Schafer shows perfect form as the photographer manages to catch her in mid air after she attempts a jump shot to get the ball over her opponent's head.
3. Shelly Gilliland seems to have found something more interesting to look at than listening to the team as they all chip in their last minute remarks.
4. Susie Weber shows that closeness in basketball can get someone in a sticky situation as she corners her opponent and leaves her no place to turn.
5. Marian Schafer seems to be attempting an impossible task as she tries to block a shot from one of her opponents while surrounded by unfamiliar faces.



1. Rose Brack finds herself in a lot of trouble as she tries to take the ball up for a jump shot while surrounded by four of her opponents. 2. Wanda King shows a great deal of concentration as she shows how to bring the ball down the court successfully amid a group of opponents who are close behind.
2. Susie Weber seemed to be paused in mid air as she completed her jump shot. Apparently no one seemed to worry about Susie since they were all guarding the other players.
3. The girls seemed to be doing a great job of inside blocking and made their opponent look to the outside for help. The girl's team work kept them a close team.
4. Susie Weber and Wanda King attempt to block a pass being made by their opponent. Team work was a very important part of the basketball team.

5. Susie Weber appears to be teaching a new dance step to one of her opponents, or is it just an attempted joke? Whatever it is she appears to be doing a good job.
6. Rose Brack's opponent doesn't seem to be giving up as she continues to keep up with Rose even as she makes a lay up. Rose was one of the junior starters.
7. The photographer managed to catch Susie Weber just after she shot the ball. Because Susie is only $5^{\prime} 4^{\prime \prime}$ she often had trouble shooting over her opponents.
8. It looks as if Debbie wants six points for her free throw instead of just one. Sorry Debbie but I don't think you'll have much luck
9. Susie Weber leaps into another play as she tries to get the ball over another of her opponents head and safely to one of her own.

## Not I, Not Me, But Us



Front Row, L to R: Bob Augustine, Dave Schoenberger, Darryl Honas, Chris Honas. Middle Row, L to R: Mitch Light, Brad Leiker, Kevin Pfeifer, Lyle Gottschalk. Back Row, L to R: Coach Tom Bowen, Gordy Flax, Loren Boos, Brett Tway, Darryl Schoenberger, Assistant Coach Dean Lavielle.


Dave Schoenberger


Darryl Honas


Chris Honas


Lyle Gottschalk


Mitch Light


Kevin Pfiefer


Bob Augustine


Brad Leiker


Bretl Tway


1. Mitch Light shows his outside shooting skill by bombing one from long range against Phillipsburg which Ellis won 88-57.
2. Mitch Light (24) and Lyle Gottschalk battle for a rebound at the MCL tournament against Norton which Ellis won 70-38.
3. Ellis runs a play here against Trego in their triple-overtime game which Ellis won 65-64. 4. Lyle Gottschalk (11) Bob Augustine (10) and Darryl Honas (5) show their disappointment after losing to Stockton in the finals of the MSL tournament.


## Another One Bites the Dust

Another one Bites the Dust ...! quickly became the theme song of the boys basketball team as they rolled up impressive win after win throughout the season. This year's team led by nine seniors, who have played varsity since they were sophomores rolled up a 23-2 record and a second place finish in the state tournament. The Railers also posted a $9-0$ record in the league which gives them two straight undefeated championships in the MCL.

Awesome is the word used by many to describe the Railers this season as they used a stingy defense and an explosive offense to bury many opponents. In the first seven games of the season the Railers smoked their opponents. The closest any team came to them was 19 points, so things looked good for them going into the MCL tourney, but they were playing without their leading scorer Chris Honas who was out with mononucleosous. Ellis reached the finals by disposing of Norton by 32 and Trego by one in triple overtime. In the finals Ellis lost to an inspired Stockton team, who was looking for revenge from an earlier 19 point thrashing, 58-49 to finish second in the tourney. They recovered from their first loss nicely by starting a winning streak which would last until the finals of the state tournament.

Ellis went into the sub-state tournament $18-1$ and expecting a tough time but breezed through with convincing victories to win a spot in the state tournament. They were really expecting a tough time but once again breezed through the first two rounds with impressive wins over Clearwater 74-44 and 60-37 over Sebetha to advance to the finals against Sslver Lake who owned a 23-1 record the same as the Railers. Even though they lost to Silver Lake in double overtime 62-55. Ellis can

1. Lyle Gottschalk who along with Chris Honas was named to the state All-Tourney team shows why here by sinking a freethrow. 2. The Ellis bench watches intensely waiting for their chance to get in and prove that they can play with the best.
2. Chris Honas who was the leading scorer for the Railers scores one here against as teammate Mitch Light (24) battles for rebound position.

be proud because they had a fine season which will be remembered for a long time.

3. Brad Leiker whe this year really came on strong to help take over for Chris Honas when he had mono, shows his sharp shooting skill by sinking a freethrow.
4. Darryl Honas gets one of his game high 19 points at the line against Sebetha in the state semi-finals which Ellis won $60-37$
5. Dave Schoenberger who handled the ball most of the time for the Railers brings up the ball against Trego in their tournament game in Hays.
6. Bob Augustine a surprise starter against Sebetha scores one here for the Railers as they stormed to a victory.



7. The Ellis team is ready to spring into action as Chris Honas (44) skys for the tip against Clearwater in the first round of state. 2. Another victory for Ellis.
8. Intensity is the key as the Ellis bench watches the action at state. The whole team was intense as they were able to bury two of their opponents.
9. Darryl Honas who many considered the quarterback of the club brings up the ball during state competition.
10. Chris Honas scores another one as he was the leading scorer for Ellis at state.


## Intensity <br> From Your First Step Onto the Mat You're - Alone -

Wrestling is a direct contest between two individuals without artificial item between them. There is no teamwork involved; the wrestler is on his own, achieving success or facing defeat. Each opponent is a new challenge and it is up to the wrestler to outsmart the opponent.

Strength, quickness, flexibility and being mentally tough is what makes a wrestler someone superior. Most of all the wrestler needs a desire to win.

Before the thought of achieving the thrill of winning, the wrestlers go through a body building process which not only encourages the wrestlers physically but also mentally. At 3:30 when most students are boarding buses or revving up engines to leave school and hurry home, EHS wrestlers are just beginning to start their day.

Working out in the stretching room soon leads to grappling as Coach Faulkender shows the team new moves. Ambition, however, cannot combat inexperience and the Railer wrestlers faced a tough crowd of opponents with 5 sophomores, 4 juniors and 2 seniors on the varsity team. Even though the experience and muscle wasn't there the willpower was as the team gave every match their test.
The first match was a triangular against Hill City and Grinnell. Although they fought hard they lost to Hill City $36-30$. But the loss was
less bitter as they beat Grinnell 36-18.

Ellis then met Smith Center and Phillipsburg at home and lost both matches to the more experienced teams from the north, losing 48-12 to Smith Center and 53-6 to P-burg.

The Railers then traveled to the Osborne tourney where they placed 6 th overall and had 3 medalists. Ken Waters received 2 nd at 98 lbs . along with Michael Henrickson at 185 who placed 2nd and Kris Fox who placed 3rd at 105 lbs .

Encouraged by the tournament results the Railers traveled to Norton. Although the team tried hard, the more experienced Bluejays dominated the match 53-3 as Michael Henrickson gave the Railers their only win.

The wrestlers met Stockton at home but again experience beat the young wrestlers as the Tigers defeated the Railroaders 33-12 with

Michael Henrickson, Ken Waters and Marty Patterson providing individual wins.

Disheartened the Railers traveled to Osborne to face one of the league's toughest teams. The Railers lost 66-6 as Michael Henrickson continued his winning record and provided the only point. Ellis also lost the 155 pounder, Earl Mayes to a knee injury.

The Railers next battle was the PBurg Tournament. The Railers emerged with a first place by Ken Waters at 98 lbs . and two 3rd place finishes by Michael Henrickson, 185 and John Beglar, HWT. The team placed 5th overall.
The Railers grapplers then traveled to Wakeeney to face host

1. Junior John Begler awaits the sound of the referees hand hitting the mat as he holds his opponent's shoulders to the mat for two seconds.
2. Ellis wrestlers take time before their upcoming matches to relax, stretch out, and prepare for the opponents they will be facing shortly.
3. Senior Railer Michael Henrickson works to take down his opponent from a tie up position during a home triangular match against Smith Center and Phillipsburg.


Wakeeney and Grinnell in another triangular. Ellis again defeated Grinnell $36-18$ and almost beat Wakeeney losing by a score of 36-33.

Ellis then traveled to Plainville to meet the Cardinals and the P-Burg Panthers in a triangular match. The Railers strived to win and came close against P-Ville losing 27-33 but the Panthers soundly thumped the Railers 48-12.

The Railers traveled to Norton next for the MCL Tournament where they placed 7th and had 2 medalists; Michael Henrickson became the league champion at 185 and Ken Waters placed 2nd at 98 lbs.

The Railers continued on to the Regional at Hoxie where they faced some of the State's toughest teams. In the attempt to qualify members for the Sub-State tournament, Michael Henrickson placed 2nd, John Begler placed 3rd and Jerry Pfiefer, Ken Waters, Kris Fox, Kevin Dinkel, Marty Patterson, and Sieg Lang all placed 4th and qualified themselves for Sub-State at Oberlin.

The State Tournament was certainly not new to Michael since he had gone there the previous year. His experience and expertise were very apparent as he pinned his first round opponent from Lincoln. That very same day, he faced opponent number


2 and he once again won, 9-7 and continued to advance himself in the State Tournament. During the third round he received his first loss in a long time. Brian Riedel of Southeast of Saline (who later became the State Champion) decisioned him 12-1. But this one loss did not discourage Mike and he went on to face his fourth and what turned out to be his last opponent. During this round he lost 10-11 in overtime to Central of Burden. This loss put Michael out of the tournament, but he placed fifth overall. He was also selected to the all area wrestling team.

Although the Ellis wrestlers finished with a mediocre slate, they excelled in individual experience and team efforts.


WRESLTING SCOREBOARD

| Ellis | 30 | Hill City | 36 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ellis | 36 | Grinnell | 18 |
| Ellis | 12 | Smith Center | 48 |
| Ellis | 6 | P-burg | 53 |
|  | Osbor | Tourney 6th |  |
| Ellis | 3 | Norton | 53 |
| Ellis | 12 | Stockton | 33 |
| Ellis | 6 | Osborne | 66 |
|  | P-bur | Tourney 5th |  |
| Ellis | 33 | Wakeeney | 36 |
| Ellis | 36 | Grinnell | 18 |
| Ellis | 27 | Plainville | 33 |
| Ellis | 12 | P-burg | 48 |
|  | MCL | Tourney 7th RECORD 2 |  |



1. From the down position Frank Boutin stays in control of his opponent by keeping behind him and working to break him down.
2. Marty Patterson, wrestling in the 145 weight division with his hand raised high receives another earned victory against Phillipsburg.
3. Senior wrestlers Dale Henderson and Michael Henrickson were valuable assets to the team because of their experience and leadership.
4. Front Row: Ken Waters, Kris Fox, Jerry Pfeifer, Dale Henderson, Jeff Wideman, Kevin Dinkel. Back Row: Stan Flinn, Marty Patterson, Earl Mayes, Sieg Lang, Mike Henrickson, and John Begler.


5. Wrestling cheerleaders - Top to bottom: Beth Henrickson, Brenda Augustine, Lesa Lang, Tina Boutin.
6. Wrestling cheerleaders have many other responsibilities besides cheering at wrestling matches. Here they show their spirit at a pep assembly.
7. At the first pep assembly of the 1980-81 school year, Lesa Lang and Brenda Augustine demonstrate their support for the Railers with constant shouts of praise and encouragement. 4. The agony of defeat is shown on Brenda Augustine's face after the Railers first loss of at the MCL Championship game.
8. The ever present wrestling cheerleaders are always on the sidelines cheering on the team and cheering to the crowd.

## Love to Hear 'Em Hit the Mats

The wrestling cheerleaders support the Ellis wrestling team and they give the wrestlers the motivation to want to win. Their encouragement creates a sense of pride and school spirit, not only among the wrestlers themselves but in the home crowds that turn out to watch the wrestling matches as well. The wrestling cheerleaders attend all the matches and are a symbol of the strength and determination of the team. The enthusiasm of the wrestling cheerleaders will often at times create the excitement and energy that is present during a match. This motivates a wrestler to put forth that extra amount of energy needed for a victory. "We try to let the wrestlers


know that we're behind them all the way and we also try to get the crowd to show their support as well," said Beth Henrickson, captain of the wrestling cheerleaders. When asked what being a wrestling cheerleader has meant to her, she said, "It has made me feel like a part of the team and it has given me a sense of pride and school spirit." She also felt that the wrestlers were very patient with them. Since this was the first year any of them were cheering for wrestling, they had a lot to learn. Instead of becoming upset with the cheereladers, the wrestlers would make suggestions to help them. If there was a call that any of them didn't understand, the wrestlers would patiently explain it to them.

Not only did the wrestling cheerleaders cheer for wrestling, but they also helped to form the large pyramids the basketball cheerleaders did during games. They also helped plan and participated in all pep assemblies, helped make posters and did all the other little things that go along with cheerleading.



## 'We Love Pain'

Although the cross country team was small and young this year, they made an outstanding performance. They worked hard to improve in personal marks and as a team. They missed going to state by only five points.

Our only senior, Marian Schafer, did very well. Considering that she was the only girl and this was her first year out for the sport, Marian produced a very fine mark of 13:35.

The boys team will be losing no one to graduation and are looking forward to a better season next year.

It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to be a long distance runner. This is expressed in the following prayer: I'm saving myself for running, Lord. So give me strength; I can't afford to fall into temptation, to succumb to dehydration, to be slowed by aches or bruising, or by blisters, cracked and oozing. Make me strong and make me pure. And save me, Lord, from jock itch. May I never have a side stitch, tendonitis, Morton's toe or frozen feet at ten below or runner's knee or bones that crack or shins with splints or lips that


1. Brent Stegman and Jeff Honas attribute their success in cross country running to hard work, dedication, and taking it all in stride. 2. Marian Schafer and Alan Duell agree that cross country is not all hard work as they take a break to relax and stretch their muscles after a long run.
2. Wayne Augustine takes an opportunity to check out the cross country cheerleaders from other competing schools at the Ellis Invitational.
M. Dinkel, F. Boutin, W. Bongartz, J. Honas, W. Augustine, G. Augustine, D. Fisher, B. Stegman, K. Fox, T. Hallagin, A. Duell, M. Schafer.



chap. Oh, grant me health, dear Lord, I pray. And deliver me trom dogs And days with heavy, grayish smogs and from the lugs who love harassing from their pick-ups as they're passing and from icy spots at night and brand new Nike's feeling tight. Dear Lord, protect me; guard my sole. And forgive me, please, for cheating when I sleep in when it's sleeting and for yelling and complaining when its 6:00 a.m. and raining and for once, in anger, flipping off a semi that was whipping through the slush and left me soaking swath-
ed in fumes that caused such choking that I fell and started swearing as my ligaments were tearing - please forgive all that, I beg. And give me please, my daily run. And help me like it; make it fun. And if you've time, please go around to making hills lead only down. And help me, guide me, make me tough So marathoning's easy stuff. And one more thing, that's all I ask: Make heaven, please, a whirlpool bath.


3. To make the time pass faster, Gordon Augustine, Frank Boutin, and Troy Hallagin play "Simon says". Simon says, "Take one step and look exhausted."
4. Marian Schafer was the only senior and the only girl to take the challenge of running for the cross country team for the 1980 fall season.
5. Team members Mark Dinkel and Kris Fox show that cross country means not only competition between schools but also competing against each other.
6. For those long distance runners who tend to crave fattening foods, Mr. Lavielle suggests a diet of chewing on your fingers to curb your hunger.
7. Not only does Duane Fisher have to concentrate on his running, he also has to fight to keep his glasses on to see where he is going.
8. Alan Duell tries to keep his mind off his aching muscles and feet and pushes harder to improve his record by telling himself that he "loves pain.
9. Although Wayne Bongartz seems to be in much pain, he is comforted with the thought that it is only a mile and a half to the finish line.

## Against the Wind

The 1980-81 girls and boys track season opened April 7, 1981. It seemed like every time there was a track meet it was either windy or cold. It would be nice for the whole week before the day of the track meet; when suddenly, on the day of the track meet, it would turn windy.

Last year's girls track team had a basically young team with only three returning Senior girls. The girls relay team record time of $4: 33.6$ set in the 1979-80 track season was broken last year. The new time was $4: 30.5$. The relay team members were Marian Schafer, Susie Weber, Sharon Bongartz and Denelle Kritz. The boys track team was more evenly spread out with five returning Senior boys.

The State Track Meet was May 22 and 23, 1981. Three senior boys attended it. They were Michael Henrickson, Chris Honas and Darryl Honas.

April 7, 1981 Ellis Invitational April 10, 1981 Stockton April 14, 1981 Plainville April 16, 1981 Ellis, Plainville April 23, 1981 Victoria April 28, 1981 Plainville May 1, 1981 Wakeeney May 4, 1981 Hill City May 8.1981 MCL Tourney May 16, 1981 Sub-State May 22-23, 1981 State


1. Chris Honas closes his eyes and grits his teeth and hopes that the shot put he has just thrown will be the winner.
2. Michael Henrickson practices throwing the discus which is his speciality which he will be throwing in State Track competition.
3. Darryl Honas makes one of his many long jumps which helped him make it to State competition.
4. John Befort holds his breath and tries to make himself as light as he can as he jumps over the pole.
5. Shawn Ray holds his breath as he tries to float over the bar as he competes in the high jump.



Front row: W. King, P. Honas, D. Kinderknecht, S. Gilliland, A Back row: Coach Kolacny, S. Weber, H. Redden, L. Howerton, M Schafer, L. Dinkel, S. Gabel, D. Kritz.


Front row: T. Halligan, F. Boutin, D. Schoenberger, D. Honas, J Befort, M. Henrickson, D. Schoenberger.
Back row: Coach Bowen, B. Stegman, G. Augustine, M. Light, C Honas, S. Ray, M. Brack, T. Groff, J. Begler.


1. Susie Weber warms up by taking a lap around the track before a track meet.
2. Shelly Gilliland puts her heart and soul plus all of her strength into her shot put throw. 3. Debbie Kinderknecht grits her teeth as she tries to make a record breaking broad jump. 4. Kelli Fabrizius, seems to be ahead or behind the pack. as she leaps over hurdles on her way to the finish line,

Dnelle Kritz is giving it everything she's got as she pulls ahead and tries to win.

## Golf Team Swings Into Action

The six members of the A-team pulled together to make it a well rounded season. The varsity roster was constantly changing as new members were added to the team. This is expected since golf is an individual sport as well as a team sport. One sign of an individual making his way into the A-team was Loren Boos. Loren played consistently during the year with four straight first place medals.

The Railer team will be returning except for the three seniors, Brad Leiker, Mike Downing, and Roger Weber

With the beginning of spring also starts a new golfing season. Two seniors, one junior, two sophomores and one freshman lead the Ellis golfers to a winning season. The remaining eight also lead the B-team to a great season.

One of the outstanding meets was held at the Kinsley Country Club. The Ellis A-team placed first as a team. Loren Boos led the team as a first place medalist while Mike Downing captured second place medalist, Brad Leiker third and Greg Martin fifth. The B-team accompanied them to Kingsley where they also placed first as a team. This was just one of the outstanding tournaments the golfers attended.



1. L. Boos picks his ball out of the cup to finish a great round. He took 6th medalist at this regional tourney. He lead the team as Ist man during part of the season.
2. Varsity left to right: Eddy Dinkel, Brad Leiker, Marty Patterson, Mike Downing, Loren Boos and Greg Mortin.
3. B-team left to right: Troy Schoenthaler, Duane Fisher, Roger Weber, Preston Wolf, Jeff Ptaschek, and Leland Kinderknecht.
4. B. Leiker trys to put a little body english to make this ball fall. Brad had strong finish for his Senior year at Ellis High School.
5. Doug Gordon returned to be head Coach for the Ellis Golf team. Mr. Gordon was very pleased with this year's season. He has coached them four straight years.


ROSTER
Brad Leiker Mike Downing Loren Boos Roger Weber Marty Patterson Greg Martin Eddy Dinkel Jeff Ptaschek Preston Wolf Troy Schoenthaler Duane Fisher Leland Kinderknect

1. M. Patterson proudly displays the team mascot. Marty keeps Gopher in good shape to keep him in the Ellis tradition. Gopher will be accompanying them to state.
2. Loren shows good form on this drive. He won four straight golf tournaments this year. Loren played consistently the whole year through.
3. M. Downing, B. Leiker, and R. Weber (Not pictured) are the only three seniors leaving this year. M. Downing and B. Leiker have lettered all four years.

## Losing Pains Not Soothed by Spirit.

It seems easy to cheer on a winning team, but it is not so easy to keep up the spirit and enthusiasm for a losing team. The season record for the A-team was no wins and 14 losses. Even though they experienced a losing season they still tried to keep the potential up at its highest.

The girls worked long and hard practices each day to improve their skills. Drills and workouts kept the girls in shape and prepared for all the games. The spike, volley, and bump were perfected along with many other techniques.

Even though when most of their games were over and the scoreboard showed they had lost, the team members knew they had to keep their spirit and enthusiasm up. "We came out on the short end of the rope at the end of the season but our team knew the spirit was kept up," commented by Susie Weber, - A-Team member.

1. Mr. Kolancy explains to some players on the bench what to watch for in the other opponents and the game. Much contact has to be made to produce a good team.
2. Susie Weber (A member of A-team) shows her skills with the volleyball. Susie was a member of the team and was a Senior.
3. After the long, many hard hours of practice with the player, Kolancy takes a rest. Practice meant teaching the girls new techniques so by next year they will have lots of experience.




Back row - B. Rupp, D. Light, A. Erbert, D. Kinderdnecht, B. Hendrickson, L. Howerton, W. King, K. Picking, V. Lang, D. Kritz, C. Kutina, Y. Bongartz, M. Martin, M. Brack, S. Wever, Coach Kolancy; Front row - C. Engel, S. Matteson, L. Bongartz, K. Fabrizius, S. Gslliland, S Fuller, R. Brack, B. Augustine, L. Rupp, B. Sipes



1. Congratulations were always given after each game. Even though the girls came out on the short end of the deal after the game they still had good sportsmanship.
2. Good form by Rose Brack while spiking the ball. At each practice a game was played to give the girls extra experience.

# In the Beginning We're Workin Towards Varsity 



| Ellis | 39 | Ness City | 37 |
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| Ellis | 44 | Smith Center | 23 |
| Ellis | 61 | Wakeency | 39 |
| Ellis | 38 | Norton | 24 |
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| Ellis | 59 | Osbornc | 27 |
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| I:llis | 52 | Phillipsburg | 33 |
| Ellis | 52 | Quinter | 45 |
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| Ellis |  | Plainville | 25 |
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| Ellis | 38 | Hill City | 27 |
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| Ellis | 59 | Ness City | 37 |


| Ellis | 18 | Ness City | 21 |
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| Ellis | 7 | Smith Center | 24 |
| Ellis | 8 | Trego | 15 |
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## In the Beginning . . .



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The bell rings and another day starts for teachers and students all over America. A teacher's day is filled with papers and black boards and assignments and the worry of getting things done one day in order to be ready for the next. Like all people each teacher is different; they have worries and joys just like all the rest. The teachers at Ellis High are all something very special. Each is known for what they say and how they say it.

Through 4 years of high school

students grow and learn. They experience new subjects and new teachers. When graduation rolls around it is then that students usually realize that all the tests and assignments and worrying and getting grade cards were for each benefit. The teachers at Ellis High School will live in the hearts of all the students for years to come. These pages then are for those years and those of centuries to come. Thank you teachers for being you.




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Since the 60 's, the birth of the 'Model-T' from underwear to everyday garb had become as popular as the old favorite, blue jeans. We lit up our lifestyle with the comfortable, classic piece of dress which came in any variety of

colors, styles, and slogans.
Senior, Sonja Armbruster, commented, 'T-shirts are the most comfortable piece of clothing I own. I like wearing them with jeans at school, or doing chores at home.
We striped, tie dyed, stretched, tore, and stained them, but we proudly wore our t-shirts. With bigger and better ideas popping up all the time in new slogans and phrases, for the old 'Model-T' there was no end in sight.


Traditionally it is called "Snoball," for Rhonda Gabel it was a dream come true.

What a night! One that left us with thoughts and impressions that will remain in our minds "Always and Forever,

On December 15, 1980, Rhonda Gabel and Darryl Honas crowned each other as the 1980 Snoball Queen and King. Their senior attendants were Michelle Martin and Lyle Gottschalk, and Mary Riedel and David Schoenberger. Kathy Augustine and Darryl Schoenberger were honored by their class as the junior princess and prince. Shelly Gilliland and John Befort from the sophomore class and freshman princess and prince were Karla Ray and Darren Riedel.

After the crowning, the students were entertained by the Snoball servers as they performed a dance routine. Kayettes chose Dee Dee Armbruster, Shannon Dinkel, Kendra Mixer, Lora Seibel and Cheryl Wasinger as the servers for 1980.

As the night's events drew to a close, and at 12:00 it was all over, we had a new queen and king.

Kayettes spent a full week prepar-

1. Queen Rhonda Gabel and King Darryl Honas.
2. Snoball Court: Darryl Schoenberger, David Schoenberger, Darryl Honas, Lyle Gottschalk, John Befort, Darren Riedel, Kathy Augustine, Mary Riedel, Rhonda Gabel, Michelle Martin, Shelly Gilliland and Karla Ray.

## Always and Forever

ing for that one special evening. FROSTY REFLECTIONS was chosen as theme and the gym was
decorated with pastel colors. Tin Pan Alley provided the entertainment and everyone had a good time.



1. Senior Attendents: David Schoenberger, Lyle Gottschalk, Mary Ridel, and Michelle Martin. 2. Princess and Princesses: Darryl Schoenberger, John Befort, Darren Riedel, Kathy Augustine, Shelly Gilliland and Karla Ray.
2. Michelle Martin and Blaine Tway enjoy dancing.
3. Dee Dee Armbruster, Cheryl Wasinger, Lora Seibel, Shannon Dinkel and Kendra Mixer


## Cupid's Arrow Strikes Barnwarmer



The second annual FFA-FHA Barnwarmer kicked off to a good start February 13. The morning started off with the Mr. FHA candidates, Marty Patterson, Darryl Schoenberger, Loren Boos, and Terry Gaschler performing various household chores. Frying an egg, threading a needle, naming cooking utensils were among a few of their tasks the boys performed

The action then swung outside where the FFA Sweetheart candidates, Kathy Augustine, Brenda King, Velma Lang and Rose Befort were ready to tackle their four various chores. Stacking bales, making a milk stool, putting up an electric fence and backing a fork into a round bale were the chores performed by the candidates. When the chores were over each candidate sighed a sigh of relief.

1. FFA Sweetheart and Mr. FHA. Kathy Augustine and Marty Patterson.
2. Mr. FHA and FFA Sweetheart candidates Darryl Schoenberger. Rose Befort. Loren Boos, Velma Lang, last year Royalty, Chris Honas, Mary Kay Riedel, Mr. FHA, Marty Patterson, Sweetheart, Kathy Augustine. Brenda King and Terry Gaschler


But the competition was not over for them yet. With everyone crowding into the auditorium to hear the candidate's speech. Each candidate gave a speech on why they should be chosen FFA Sweetheart or Mr. FHA.

After a long day and a win over the Plainville Cardinals the dance finally started. The gym set up as a barn with bales at each end was decorated with red and white crepe paper.

With anxious anticipation the crowning finally came. Marty Patterson and Kathy Augustine were crowned Mr. FHA and FFA Sweetheart by last year's royalty, Chris Honas and Mary Kay Riedel.
"It was a great privilege being chosen FFA Sweetheart. I will be proud to represent the FHA program this next year," quoted FFA Sweetheart Kathy Augustine.

With "The Flatland Band" providing the entertainment, the 1981 Barnwarmer was an event to remember.



1. Loren Boos smiles a sigh of relief when he completes frying his egg.
2. Rose Befort uses a steady hand to complete her milking stool.
3. Brenda King saws with case to make her stool.
4. Darryl Schoenberger cases his hands to thread his needle.
5. Couples enjoy dancing to the music of "Flatland"
"Someone stole my homework." "I'm not late, the bell was early." "In the hours when I have to do homework, I can watch TV." These excuses were just a few that met teachers at Calvin Coolidge High the first day of school.

The play centered on the students in the English room 304. These students ranged from a class clown, a cheerleader, a straight ' A ' student, a school stud, a flirt, and a very sensitive, love-sick girl. Their English teacher, Miss Sylvia Barrett, tries to get through to them, and help them with their problems. But this is somewhat of a struggle since no teacher had ever attempted this

before. With no help from the administration, Miss Barrett is ready to quit and take an easier job at Willowdale Academy. She reasons with herself, "I want to talk over their problems with them. Tbe suggestion box I put up doesn't seem to do any good, what good am I doing here?"

But at the end of the term, the suggestion box is full of . . "You helped me like school." "English would be better if there were more teachers like you who took an interest in their students." So what else could she do,

## - but stay.

This play, directed by Miss Donna Matney, was her first full length

## Cast of Up the Down Staircase

Mark Brack - Dr. Maxwell Clark, Rhonda Yowell - Sylvia Barrett, Denelle Kritz Beatrice Schacter, Alan Duell - Paul Barringer, Mike Kroell - J. J. McHabe, Karen Wolf - Ella Friedenberg, Brenda Augustine - Frances Egan, Suzanne Martin Charlotte Wolf, Kevin Keeler - Samuel Bester, Morie Rupp - Sadie Finch, Duane Fisher - Lou Martin, Lora Rupp - Carole Blanca, Brenda Honas - Alice Blake, Brenda Littlechild - Vivian Poine, Terry Cashler Rusty O'Brien, Shelly Fuller - Linda Rosen, Gordon Augustine - Jose Rodriguez, Debbie Kinderknecht - Carrie Blaine, Rick Rupp Harry Kagan, Sandy Bongartz - Jill Norris, Rose Befort - Rachel Gordon, Brenda King - Elizabeth Ellis, Sieg Lang - Charles Arrons, Kevin Dinkel - Joe Ferone, Rose Brack - Helen Aabuzzi, Kathy Augustine - Francine Gardner, Sharon Gable - Katherine Wolzow, Velma Lang - Ellen
play. She enjoyed doing it, but found that cooperation was the main problem.

Out of four different plays, the juniors picked Up the Down Staircase. The play consisted of a large number of students, and the parts were fairly easy, because the kids could be themselves.

Miss Matney could relate to the struggles of the first year teacher, Sylvia Barrett. She felt the play was true to life except for the cold attitude of the administration.

1. School resumes for another year, with a new teacher.



# Up the Down Staircase: Admiration for a Hard Working Crew 


. First row: Shelly Fuller, Kathy Augustine, Rose Brack, Lora Rupp, Marie Rupp, Rbonda Yowell, Debbic Kinderknecht, Karen Wolf, Sharon Gabel, Brenda Littlechild, Second row: Brenda Augustine, Denelle Kritz, Sandy Bongartz, Rose Befort, Brenda Honas, Brenda King, Duane Fischer, Kevin Dinkel, Rick Rupp, Back row: Mike Kroell, Alan Duell, Velma Lang, Sieg Lang, Mark Brack, Marty Patterson, Gordon Augustine, Kevin Keeler, Terry Gashler
2. An urgent matter at hand
3. Teacher and student discuss problem.


## 'Mazeltov' for a Job Well Done

The students at E.H.S. learned a new word during the Senior Class presentation of "Fiddler on the Roof," April 8, 9, 10, 1981. The word was MAZELTOV, which meant congratulations.

The play centered on a small peasant town in Tsarist Russia, named Aneterka. Tevye, (Michael Henrickson) a dairyman, and his wife, Golde, (Rose Honas) and five
daughters comprise one of the hardworking families of the community. Here these people live as their forefathers did, following the dictates of tradition. Their lives are filled with simple joys and guided by their ability to have faith in God.

Tevye, a pious man, tries to raise his five daughters according to the ways of the good book. However, the ways of 'Tradition' no longer suffice
and Tevye and his friends will have to become part of this ever-changing world. Throughout the play, the Russians hover as a menacing figure until a program occurs at the wedding of Tzeitel, the daughter of Tevye. After this, the people set out to find life in new lands, taking the ways of tradition with them.


1. Director, Mrs. Billinger, accepts roses for her hard work in the play.
2. A musical wouldn't be complete without musicians. L-R; K. Honas, K. Fabrizius, M Brack, B. Henrickson, C. Conklin, T. Deutscher, D. Kinderknecht, and Edwin Moyers
3. B. Befort and B. Tway work on the set.


4. Goldie is speechless after hearing about Tevyes' dream 2. Fruma Sarah gives her warning 3. Villagers and soldiers celebrate the news of the wedding.
5. Village women sing about tradition
6. Tevye, in the middle of one of his daily talks to God.


## Midnight Magic

The day was accented with a rainy and stormy overcast. As most seniors and juniors crawled out of bed they glanced out the window and felt a wave of depression. They were all afraid of the rain ruining the long planned Prom fortunately the rain cleared off and the Prom was a success.
The date for the Junior-Senior Prom was set for May 9, 1981. The theme was Midnight Magic, the colors were dark blue, light blue and silver. The menu was roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, dinner rolls and jello cake.

1. The senier guys watch to see who they could ask to dance.


Front Row: Beth Henrickson, Angela Gabel, Amy Leiker, Shelly Gilliland, Wanda King, Linda Fox Back Row: Travis Groff, Dean Gottschalk, Galen Herman, John Befort, Randy Herman, Rod King


1. Michael Henrickson makes his speech before the prom servers do their routine. 2 . The students listen as class introductions are made.
2. Michelle Martin and Blaine Tway share a tender moment
3. The couples dance to the music of the band Springwater.







Attempted assasinators of: President Reagan; Pope John Paul III ... 52 Hostages released from Iran ... Space Shuttle ... Hunger Strike in Ireland prison .. Draft Registration ... Interest Rate is $21 \% \ldots \mathrm{Ku}, \mathrm{K}$ State, Wichita State, go to NCAA - . . . Fort Hoys goes to NAIA in basketball ... Oakland Raiders win Superbowl . . Philadelphia Phillies win World Series . . "Stir Crazy"; That's right we bad ... "9 to 5" ... "Urban Cowboy"; Mechanical Bull . . "Smokey and the Bandit"
"Any Which you can"; Clyde the orangutan "Dallas". - ... Who shot J. R. ... Who's in the Ewing swimming pool? ... Jock (Jim Davis) Ewing's death ... Wasn't that a party ... Swimming pool Kegs Freshman Initiation ... Senior Alumni initiation Journalism food parties ... The death of Steve McQueen and John Lennon ... "Coal Miner's Daughter" Sissy Spacek "Different Strokes" ... "M.A.S.H. still going strong . . "Dukes of Hazzard" . .

> VALEDICTORIAN - Cornell Jean Kinderknecht SALUTATORIAN - Michelle Lynn Martin
> Outstanding Journalism Staff Member; Rose Honas
> Outstanding in Mathematics and Science; Cornell Kinderknecht, Blaine Tway
> Outstanding Musician; Cornell Kinderknecht (Piano Man)
> Outstanding Senior Wrestler; Mike Henrickson
> Outstanding Forensic Student; Becky Glendenning
> Outstanding Typing I Student; Leslie Howerton with 65 wpm.
> Outstanding Typing II Student; Brenda Littlechild with 90 mpw.
> Outstanding Shorthand Students; Becky and Beth Glendenning with 100 wpm.
> Office Machines Commendation awards; Rose Befort, Sharon Gabel, Rick Rupp
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> Shorthand - Honorable mention in class 3 A and state; Brenda Bolluck Becky Glendenning Beth Glendenning
> Typing I - Honorable mention in class 3A and state; Leslie Howerton Amy Leiker
> Typing II - Honorable mention in class 3 A and state; Clorice Boutin Brenda Littlechild
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> Algebra - Honorable mention is class 3A and state; Alan Duell Blaine Tway
> English - Honorable mention in class 3A and state; Lesli Howerton Amy Leiker Greg Kinderknecht
> Spelling - Honorable mention in class 3A and state; Brenda Littlechild


## Four Years of Success

We all gathered down in the locker rooms to put on our caps and gowns. The colors were Burgandy and white. We combed and recombed our hair until the very last minute. Then we all stood waiting to walk out to the chairs to that long song that seemed to take forever to get over with. We could hear all the noise from the crowd that had gathered to see the 1981 class graduate. The gym was nearly jam packed. It seemed everyone was there except the President; maybe he was we were all too scared to look. The people at the end of the line were nervous just waiting. We tried to walk as straight as we could but that is hard when you're so nervous that you can hear your own heart beat. If the line was a little shakey at times it wasn't from being drunk for everyone saved that for later, it was just we were trying so hard to act like we did this every day.

We all finally sat down and the long ceremony began. Speeches of praise of the Senior class were presented and songs were sung in our honor. Then finally after the last word was said, the diplomas were being handed out. Arlene Amrein was first and seemed to have no trouble while the rest of us were trying to remember how to receive our diploma and a warm handshake from Mr. Rorabaugh at the same time. Let me see was it the right hand over left to left hand over right. As if that weren't bad enough we girls were praying that we wouldn't get too excited and lose our balance on the way up to receive our diploma.

After returning to our chair everything seemed to hit us like a brick. The class of 1981 was to be no more. Oh, it would live on in memory but we were all going our separate ways and there was nothing that any
one of us could do about it. We would never join our voices as one as we yelled our lungs out trying to win the spirit contest. We would never again feel the joy and feeling of pride as the Senior boys played their hearts out in State basketball. We may not have showed all the time but we we are damn proud of our shcool and so help me God there will never be another class like the one of 1981.

The ceremony ended and we all gathered at the back of the gym. Congratulations were welcomed and pictures were taken. Then slowly we all left leaving the school and all its beholdings behind along with the Ti tle SENIOR which as of May 19, 1981 was passed down to the awaiting Juniors. May they wear it as proud as the Seniors of 1981 did to the motto "NOT I, NOT ME, BUT US". . .



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Kamilla Hrabe, Mike Downing, Rose Honas, Sharon Dorzweiler, Troy Wicham, Christine Pfeifer, Greg Kinderknecht, Karen Dorzweiler, Mary Younger, Rhonda Gabel, Arlene Amrein, Mary Kay Riedel, Sonja Armbruster, Cheryl Bongartz, Kevin Pfeifer, Paula Waldschmidt, Brad Leiker, Tammy Deutscher, Mike Henrickson, Carla Kutina, Mitch Light, Brenda Bullock, not pictured Gladys Flax.

## Stir Crazy

Assistant Editor: Cheryl Bongart/ who was ready and willing to help with anything she could. Cheryt's idea about the Toga party was great, mas be someday she can put it to use (Toga Bridesmaid dresses).

Advisor:. Cynthia Danner (Big "D"): Nome of this would have been at all possible without the patient guidance of her. She put up with all the practical jokes such as Mike and Michael feeding her desk to the termites and then miraculously finding it in the darkroom only to turn it upside down when returning it. She was hysterical thinking her drawers were still in it. Although she almost tripped over them before she realized they were laying beside the darkroom door all the time, right in plain sight. She always swore she's get even with Michael for all his jokes. Maybe someday
she will. I wish her the best of luck.
Her hysteria was raised to a higher degree when she realized Mr. Bray walking in on one of our little card parties.
She understood our sudden food attacks as we pushed food through the seeret entrance. She didn't mind as long as we didn't know which class we were out of if we met Mr. Bray and as long as we brought her something back

Editor: Mary Kay Riedel (Tootsie): We were all lucky our senior year. The 1981 class was a class the whole town of Ellis was proud to say they supported. I hope that we have caught down the year on paper to your satisfaction. I hope you can sit down later on and remember the year of 1980-81 as if it were yesterday. You will try to remember the lectures of Constitution and all the
sleep you caught up on during those lectures. The rigging of lockers so the contents would all fall out, or someone strolling down the hall with Mr. Mills while rolling up toilet paper that someone had rigged his locker with. Ten to twenty years even five years from now these events will only be a blur and the names of the people that it happened to will be even less remembered.

You make a silent promise to yourself that you'll never forget your friends but time takes its toll and you try to eatch the dreams of your future forgetting the place that all those dreams started. Enjoy today for what it is because tomorrow it may be only a blur in the back of your mind.

As our paths separate I wish the class of 1981 the best of luck.

could get past the darkroom door much less find negatives they rested easy knowing that Mike and Michael didn't know where they were either. Rose tried to keep the darkroom as clean as she could but even she wore down as the year wore on.

Newspaper Editors: Arlene Amrein (Susie Lou or Lou Lou) and Christine Pfeifer; they took charge and tried to make the paper better and better. They put up with late deadlines, overnight pasteups and criticism from the staff.

Typists: Brenda Bolluck, Tammy Ceutscher, Karen and Sharon Dorzweiler; they all faced the battle of typing articles for the newspaper. They all knew the feeling of panic

As the 1980-81 Review draws to a close, I would like to recognize the following supporters who without their help and concern for a better yearbook we would have never made made it.

The Photographers: Rose Honas -; who tried so hard to satisfy everyone. Michael Henrickson; who got picture happy every once and awhile but it wasn't his fault that the camera had an eye for girls!!! Mike Downing; who was always ready and willing to give his darkroom job to me. All I can say is nobody can do it as well as he can. Although nobody


when the typewriter ran out of correction tape. They tried to be polite when they came upon, time and time again, an article that wasn't typeset right.

The Staff: who learned to give the best excuses you ever heard for not meeting their yearbook deadlines. Some of the staff were ready and willing to help out someone else; others figured they'd done enough just doing their own article. We all thought we had it harder than the next guy. We all worked toward one goal; to make the best yearbook Ellis High has ever seen.


## COLOPHON

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    2. Time rolls on as the new school adds on another year.
    3. Ellis High School: Erected in 1926, was retired from use in 1977
[^1]:    Forensies Squad. Front row: Lisa Keller, Rhonda Kuhn, Scottic Matteson, Kris Fox, Troy Schoenthaler, Greg Martin, Beverly Sipes, Dee Dee Waldschmidt, Coleen Fisher. Middle row: Stan Flinn, Kelli Fabrizius, Lesa Lang. Beth Henrickson, Shelly Gilliland, Chonda Engel. Patty Honas. Amy Leiker, Lisa Jo Metzler. Back row: Kathy Gnad, Leslic Howerton, Carla Lang, Karla Ray, Brenda Rupp. Diane Light. Annette Erbert. Steve Light.

