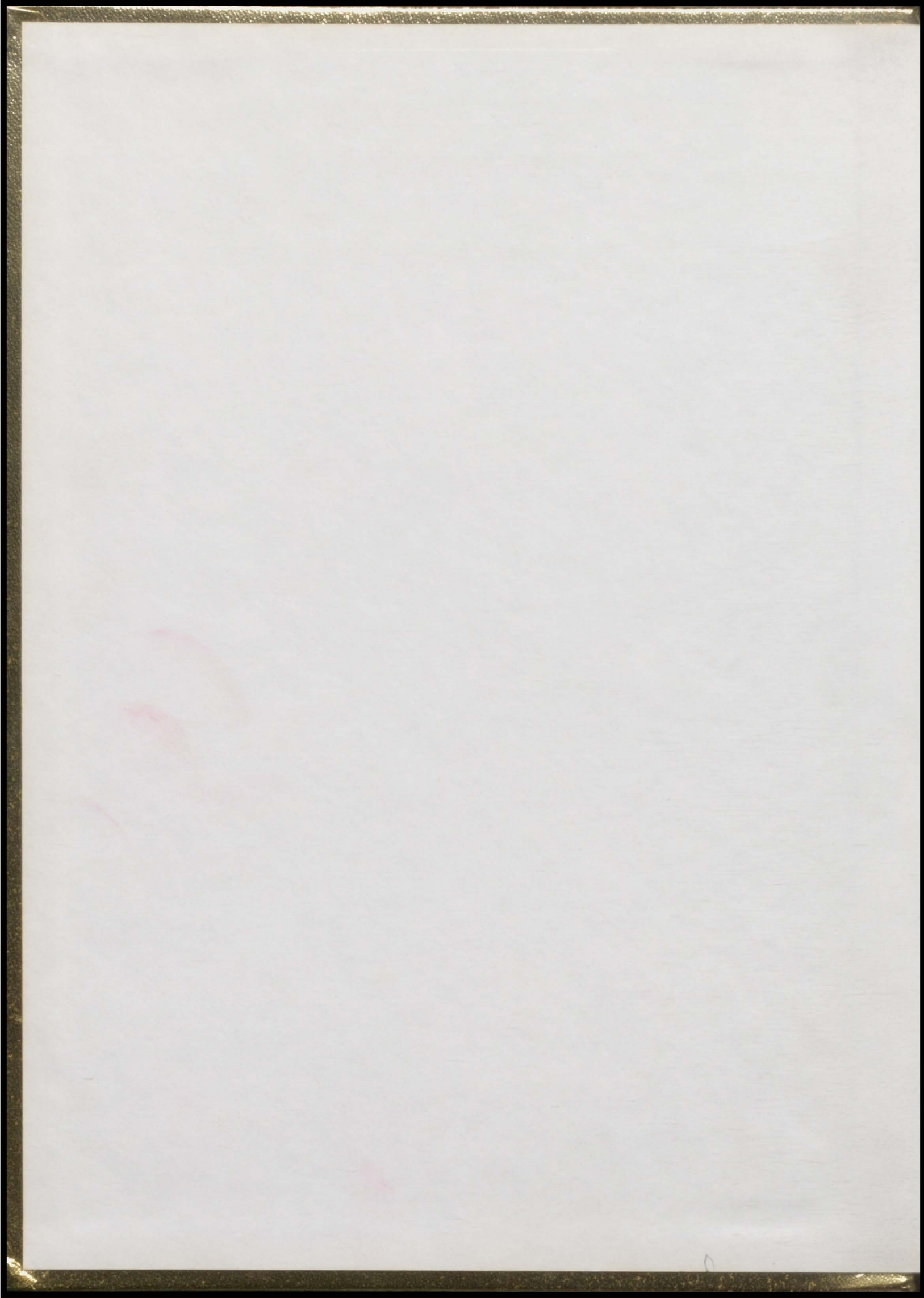
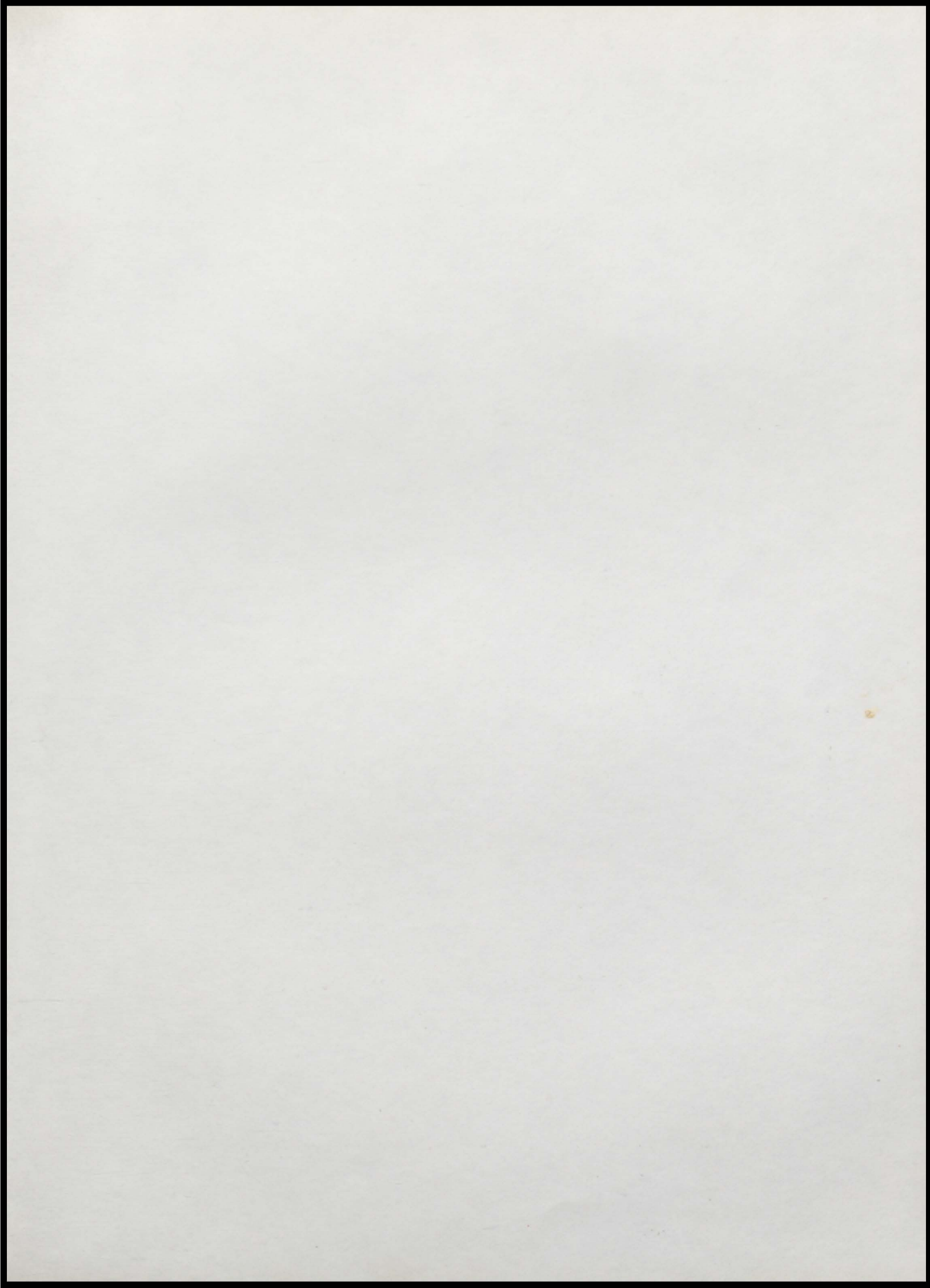


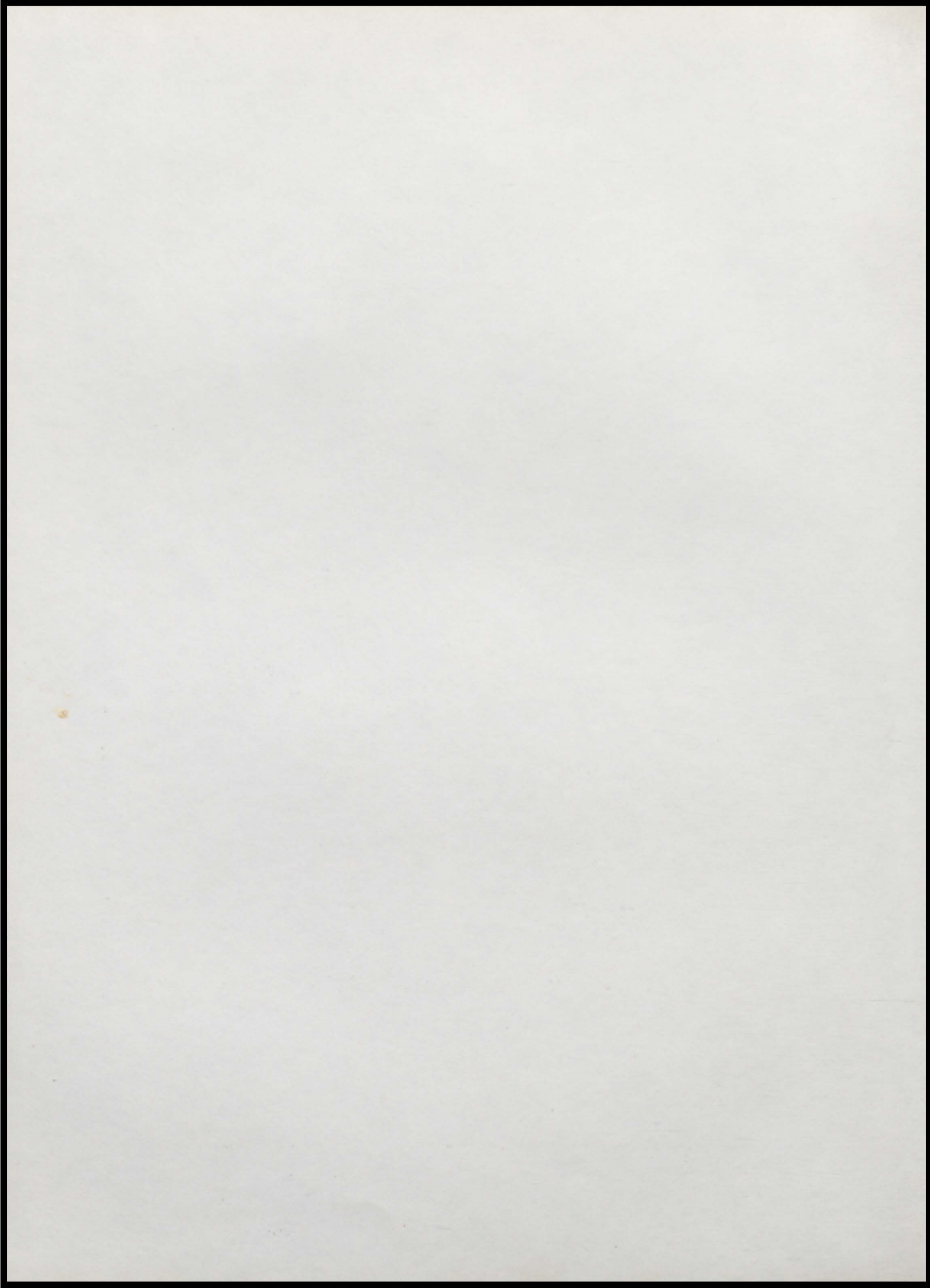
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Traditional approach for fifty years of "The Echo"

In an area steeped in traditions, choosing the theme, "The Echo Anniversary", for the '94-'95 yearbook was a simple task for staffers since this was the 50th edition of The Echo. Summing up the highlights and outstanding events from each decade carried out the traditions for which Bland was known.

In 1945 Bland students were housed in four buildings with 14 classrooms, a library, and a gymnasium where grades 1-11 were taught (the twelfth grade was not included until 1957 and kindergarten was added in 1971). The cafeteria was in a separate building. The original building burned July

30, 1962. That same autumn students from Ceres High School were incorporated into the present Bland system and elementary students from Mechanicsburg came to Bland several months later after their school building burned. Spur Branch School (Little Creek) closed in 1968, followed by Hollybrook and Ceres in 1992. In 1995, there were seven buildings with 36 classrooms, two gyms, and two libraries.

The first yearbook in 1945 was a brown paperback issue. Mrs. Ruth Kegley was adviser until she was transferred to Ceres in 1950. At that time the duties of adviser were assigned to Mrs. Helen Hardy who

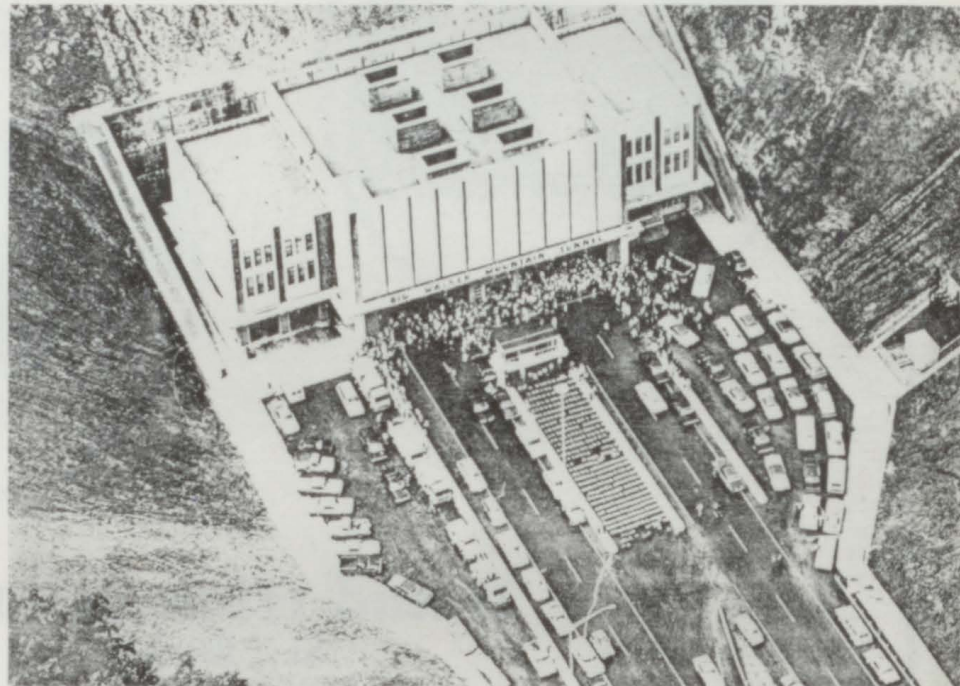
continued until her retirement in 1977. This task then became priority for Ms. Elizabeth Newberry. Cover colors have ranged from white to black with all hues in between. The most popular color choices have been maroon/gold and shades of blue. Designs have gone from simple to elaborate, often using student's ideas.

Celebrating the golden anniversary of the yearbook was a milestone for each student, teacher, and official who helped bring it to fruition. If the halls could speak, they would echo with memories of the past 50 years, of sadness, happiness, depression, elation, joy, all sated in the traditions of Bland students and faculty.

The opening of Big Walker tunnel, 1972.



The "four mousketeers" — Meagan Morehead, Tanya Ramsey, Cheese Mouse, Cora Ramsey.



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Anything for a good photography club shot — Anita French, Melanie Talbert.



Ms. Janet Faulkner catches some much needed sleep, after working a second job.

This page is a tribute to **Mrs. Zola Repass** who died October 16. She was a lifelong citizen of Bland County, raised a family and served her church and community until her death.



(of movies)"Oklahoma, we had some real interesting programs, mostly songs.

If we had a funeral in the community, all the stores were closed, everything closed up. We had a taxi, the Greyhound bus came through Bland County. You could go to Wytheville or Bluefield and shop and come back the same day. I think it was about .82 or something like that.

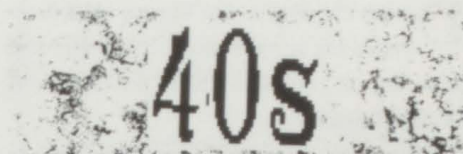
Fads — instead of having dances and things, people played bridge or had bridge parties.

Women didn't wear slacks. If you went to work you wore dresses. Bland Hosiery Mill was the first place women could work, outside of teaching. Most of the younger girls who got out of school went to work at the hosiery mill. Hose had a seam up the back. I started out mending for .25 an hour. Then you could buy a box of crackers for .05, maybe a loaf of bread, a pound of sugar. That's the difference. If you had something, say a dozen eggs, you could take eggs to the store. Now you buy from the store, you don't take anything. People took chickens, ham, some of their side meat and the merchants bought them. Then you could buy coffee, sugar and things like that. Now you have to have money, you don't barter. This went on through the 50's, maybe the 60's — I doubt the 60's. Then eggs had to be candled and everything government inspected. We had two doctors over at Bastian. I wonder if eventually we may be taken over by Wythe County. Isn't that something, that's terrible cause we have people in Bland County that are just as smart as they

were then a long time ago.

Then, of course, the tunnel coming through, 77 coming through made the difference. It helped us in one way and in another way it did away with the leaders of our county.

Songs: "We'll meet again", "Night and day"
Group: Duke Ellington
Dance: Jitterbug
Movie: "A tree grows in Brooklyn", "National Velvet", "Casablanca"
Presidents: Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman
Main event: World War II
Inventions/Discoveries: Tupperware (45), LP record (47), Polaroid camera (48), Velcro (48), Holograph (48), Streptomycin (45)
Happenings: FDR died April 12, '45, Germany surrendered May 7, '45, First atomic bomb exploded in NM, July 16, '45, NATO established August 24 '49



The 40s saw many changes. Women were urged into factory work while most males were off to war. Even though the war ended in 1945, women continued to work. The tragedy of WWII and the death of Franklin Roosevelt, the only president to ever serve three consecutive terms, left its impact on Americans for years. Veterans returned to pick up the pieces of their lives and start over again. As the 40s eased into the 50s technology increased its pace, clothing styles changed, and the exodus from rural to urban began. Instead of remaining on a farm from generation to generation, more young people entered college to pursue a different lifestyle.

A 1943 war ration book with ration coupons (you could not buy without these).

Pictures from a 1948 yearbook.

An ad from the 1948 yearbook — all ads were done by hand.



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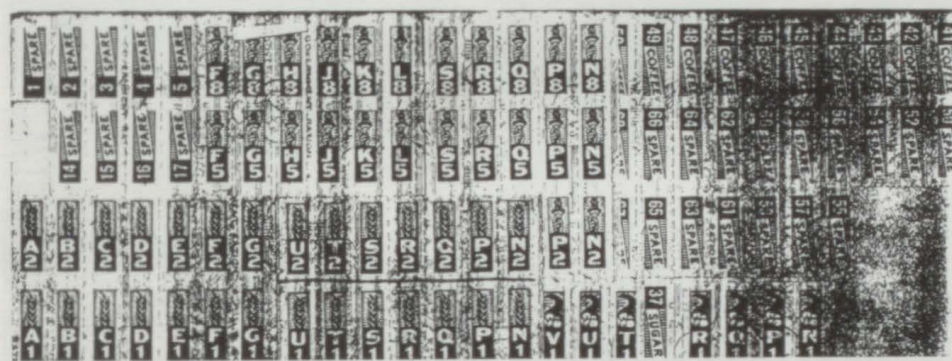
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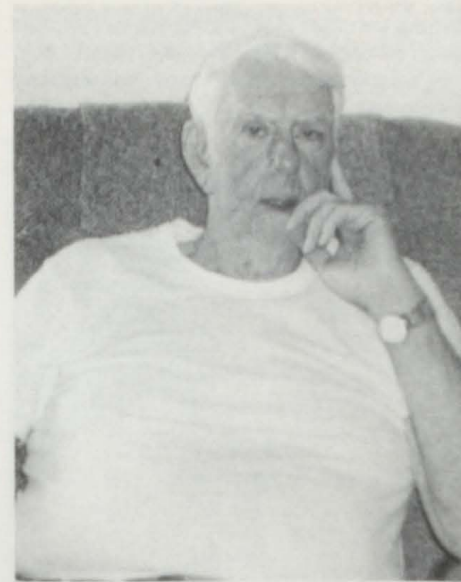


50s

"The greatest changes were in car styles and they had more power, and in farming tractors. Dresses were made out of feed sacks — we got feed from Paul Bernard's store in pretty designs. Hard service roads became more prominent — I think the road camp came in over here. We began to get more sprays and fertilizer about that time. We had been doing it all by hand. We could spray stuff with the tractors and keep weeds down. Balers came in about that time. First balers in Bland County were in the late 40s or early 50s.

I remember we built this house and we had a drought about that time. We didn't have any hay for the cows and I fed them corn enough to get them through the winter.

We were so far back in the sticks and couldn't get out, we didn't know the world was round. We thought it was flat."



Maynard Newberry is a lifelong Bland County farmer from Mechanicsburg who is active in church and community service.

CENTER RIGHT: As a part of initiation into the first Beta Club at Bland High in 1959 students had "dress-up" days. These young men (now early 50s) are Allen Newberry, Bobby Shannon, Donald Thompson, Donnie Strouth, Sammy Hardy.

CENTER BOTTOM: "Hillbilly Wedding" was produced in 1959 by the dramatics class.



BOTTOM: Car style and fashions from the 50s and the flood of 1957 following heavy rains which broke the dam above the town of Bland.

During the fifty's, the Korean War dominated the world's stage. The space race was set in motion when the Russians launched Sputnik.

Television became widely available in this area. Letter sweaters were very popular among high school students.

Elvis Presley ruled the music world with his rhythmic gyrations and his flashy stone-studded outfits.

- Songs:** Love me tender — Elvis Presley,
You send me — Sam Cooke
- Singer:** Elvis Presley
- Dance:** The Jive
- Movie:** Rebel without a cause
Roman Holiday
- Presidents:** Harry Truman
Dwight Eisenhower
- Main Event:** Korean War
- Inventions/Discoveries:** Fiber Optics (55), Hydrogen bomb (52), Measles and polio vaccines (54,55)



Fashions and '58 Chevrolet



January 29, 1957 Flood

Mrs. Marie Carr Groseclose taught school in Bland County for many years. She has continued community involvement following retirement.



"What was outstanding for me was getting into a new school building and a larger room. I had had 45 students in a little room upstairs in the old building.

The popular song and movie during that time, I liked the "Sound of Music".

In the 60s the boys were wearing their shirts inside their pants. If they had their shirt outside their pants they were punished for that.

The great tragedy that I remember was the assassination of President Kennedy. I was teaching a math class when it came over the PA system that he had been shot and in a few minutes that he already died.

When we moved into the new building we had a gymnasium and we used it for an auditorium and graduation. We had seventh grade graduations then with some outstanding students.

In the later 60s we had teacher's aides."

From the 60s — loading buses in the afternoon.

Home economics class: Mrs. Carolyn Bane and Christine Ramsey Bird

Songs: Love me do — Beatles
Moon river — Henry Mancini
Mrs. Robinson — Simon & Garfunkel

Group: Beatles

Dance: The Twist, The Monkey

Movie: West side story
Easy rider

Presidents: John F. Kennedy
Lyndon B. Johnson
Richard M. Nixon

Main event: Assassination of John F. Kennedy

Inventions/discoveries: Aspartame (65), Audio and video cassettes (63, 69)

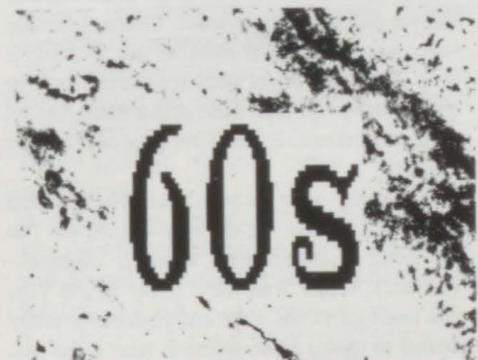


The sixties saw the Berlin wall erected, and with it came the beginning of the Cold War. Russian missiles were installed in Cuba.

During a November 22, 1963, motorcade in Dallas, Texas, President Kennedy was shot and killed by Lee Harvey Oswald who was later shot by Jack Ruby. Oswald's shooting was seen on the spot on national television.

The Vietnam War occupied the world stage. The hippy generation emerged during Woodstock in the late 60s.

The U.S. won the space race when Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first men to ever step on the moon. Upon taking his first step onto the moon, Armstrong said: "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."



70s

Song: Beth — KISS
ABC — Jackson 5
I honestly love you — Olivia Newton-John
Bridge over troubled waters — Simon & Garfunkel
Killing me softly — Roberta Flack

Group: KISS, Bee Gees

Dance: The Hustle
The Bump

Movie: Grease
Saturday Night Fever

Presidents: Richard Nixon
Gerald Ford
Jimmy Carter

Main event: Vietnam War

Inventions/Discoveries:
Electronic pocket calculator (72)
CAT scan (73)
Microcomputers (73)

"Some of the events that stand out most in the 70s is when the Three-Mile Island, the terrible accident with the reactor, happened. And the Watergate scandal and Mr. Nixon's resignation which was really a bad thing that it had to happen. Then we were in a terrible recession during this time. The worth of the dollar declined and we had runaway inflation. Gasoline became scarce because the Arab countries just withheld it from the United States since we weren't in very good relationships with them at that time. And oil prices skyrocketed, it must have gone over a dollar a gallon. Ford company came out with a catalytic converter which was to save the environment. In the 70s the shuttle landed on Mars, Viking I, Viking II. Women's clothes were very pretty in the 70s, you could go to the store and find many pretty dresses to choose from, whereas, now I find you

President Nixon became the only president to resign in disgrace. This was for his involvement in the Watergate scandal.

The olympic world was stunned by the massacre of Israeli athletes at the olympics field in Munich, Germany.

The American Embassy was seized in Iran after the Shah was thrown out. Fifty-

two U.S. hostages were taken during the conflict.

The music world was shocked by Elvis Presley's untimely death. This occurred on August 16, 1977.



Mrs. Louise Bird is a former Bland County teacher who taught elementary at Mechanicsburg until the school burned. She then taught at Spiller Elementary in Wythe County before returning to Bland where she taught secondary English and later fourth grade. After her retirement she has been busier than ever.

can't. Pants became very popular in the 70s for women. Men's fashions changed a little bit, there was period of the width of the necktie. I don't remember if it was going from wide to narrow or narrow to wider. Men were beginning to grow mustaches, beards, long hair. I don't know if it was a fashion or a fad for women to have wigs in different colors. I know one woman who bought one of every color and she was a school teacher (not Bland). She would put on a wig and the children were so anxious to see what color her hair would be that day. There were nice jazz bands, many good singers, and gospel music was becoming popular. Ella

Fitzgerald and Mahalia Jackson were two black ladies who sang such beautiful gospel music. One popular song I recall was 'I honestly love you.' I tried to watch 'Jaws' one time but I just couldn't take it. Another (movie) was 'The godfather' and 'Star Wars'. My favorite memory was the celebration of the 200th birthday of our nation and so many parades were on TV and Bland even had a parade on the 4th of July. There were some things that were not so memorable — my husband's death, and I spent '76-'79 trying to adjust to living alone and taking care of everything.

The U. S. invaded Grenada at the request of neighboring islands because it was believed the lives of American students were in danger.

Tiananmen Square, China, was the site of a bloody conflict when the Chinese government cracked down on revolting students.

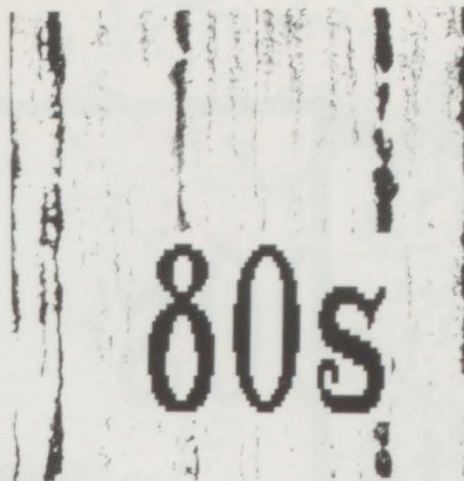
Reforms in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe led to the fall of the iron curtain.

The hostages were released in Iran after over a year of captivity.

The Iran-contra affair occurred in the late 80s which consisted of selling arms to Iran for hostage exchange with some of the profits going to the guerrillas in Nicaragua. This brought about investigations and convictions of government officials, including Oliver North who later ran for Virginia senate.



From the 70's Chess Club, Tommy Bird demonstrates his expertise.



80s — Library Club balloon launch.
1971 — Sandra Green Harman crowns Prom Queen & King Bonnie Blankenship, Terry Gordon.

Song: Like a virgin — Madonna

Wake me up before you go — Wham!

Wind beneath my wings — Bette Midler

Group: Chicago

Dance: Break dancing

Movie: Footloose

Top gun

Blue Lagoon

Presidents: Ronald Reagan

George Bush

Main event: Iran contra affair

Inventions/discoveries:

Artificial heart (82)

HIV identified (84)

Mr. Sam Bernard local operator and owner of Bernard's General Merchandise at Crandon.

"The events that stand out most in my memory of the 80s are the scandals, the Iran-Contra Affair and the evangelist scandals — Jimmy Swaggert, Tammy and Jim Baker.

The changes in lifestyle that I see are that we are less family oriented. There are more working mothers, due sometimes to economic pressure, sometimes to women's liberation.

The technology I've seen is the discovery of DNA testing and the widespread use of robotics in industry.

As for fashions, the trend moved more toward casual attire.

A popular song from the 80s is 'The last one to know' by Reba McEntire. A movie from that era was directed by Stephen Spielberg, 'Raiders of the lost ark'."

90s

American forces led the way in the Persian Gulf War, after Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi army invaded Kuwait and threatened to invade Saudi Arabia.

Somalia was occupied by U.S. forces in an effort to restore food and government to the starving citizens after a brutal civil war.

Much of the Midwest was devastated by floods from strong storms during the summer of 1993. The eastern states were bombarded with the blizzard of '93, considered the snow storm of the century. The following winter they were again inundated, this time by ice storms.

Song: I will always love you — Whitney Houston
 End of the road — Boyz II Men
 (Everything I do) I do it for you — Bryan Adams

Group: Salt-N-Pepa

Dance: The electric slide

Movie: Home Alone
 Dances with wolves
 Teenage Mutant Ninja turtles

Presidents: George Bush
 Bill Clinton

Main event: Persian Gulf War

Inventions/discoveries:
 Laser surgery to the foreground
 Advanced computers

"The most memorable event of the 90s was the blizzard of '93 and the ice storms of '94." Major changes included the "outrageous sports contracts which made attending sports events for average people very hard." Inventions, discoveries or technologies were the "computers (advancement), tabloid shows, alcohol fueled cars." Fashions of the 90s were "tie dye shirts, sports wear, cut off jeans — late 90s bell bottoms are back." Popular song/movie were "Michael Jackson songs, 'Silence of the Lambs' and 'Driving Miss Daisy'." Favorite memory is "the blizzard of '93 and the ice storms and how everyone in Bland County opened their hands and hearts to the stranded." Fads of the 90s were "being politically correct."



Mr. Jerry Scott is a Bland Countian who drives a milk delivery truck and is a sports photographer/journalist for The Bland Messenger.

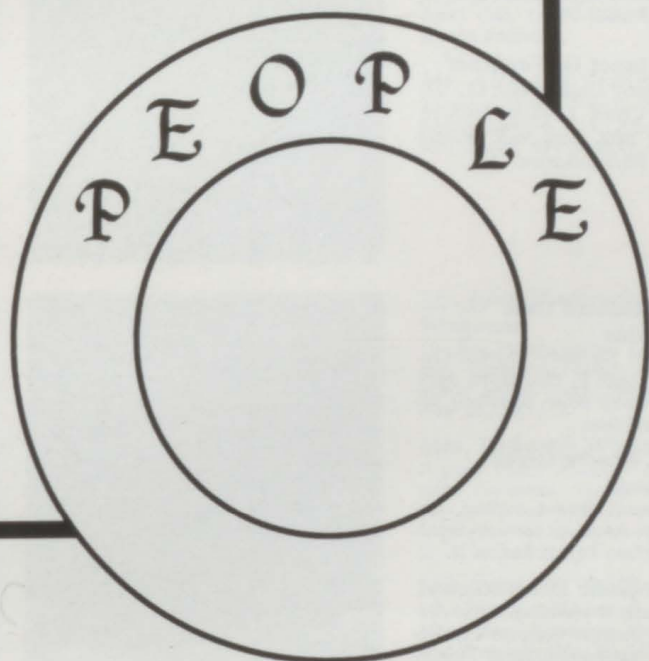


CENTER RIGHT: A scene from the ice storm of '94 bent and broke tree limbs and covered the ground.

Luther Shewey explains how he rescued this 100-year old tractor and wagon from the trash heap and rebuilt it. This antique toy was displayed during the Festival of Leaves.



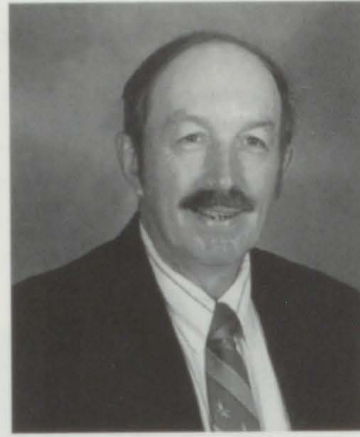
Echoes of "what are you doing this weekend?" and, "got any gum?" and, "let's go four wheelin'!" were heard often from person to person. The adults were more likely to be heard saying, "isn't it Friday yet?"



Mr. Roger Dale

Thompson

28 years; Principal; Sponsor: Golf, Baseball; BS-VPI, MS-Radford U.



Mr. Richard Crockett Havens

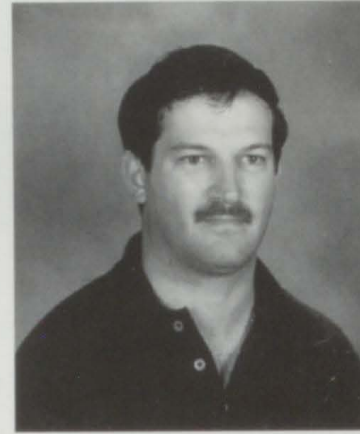
26 years; Assistant Principal; U.S. History, Accounting, 8th History; Sponsor: Senior Class, MACC Social Studies; BS-Bluefield State.

Mrs. Carolyn B. Bane

36 years; Industrial Cooperative Coordinator; Sponsor: Vocational Clubs of America, 8th Grade Class; BS/MS-Radford U.

Mrs. Christine R. Bird

15 years; English 8, 9, 10; Sponsor: Newspaper, Forensics; BS-Radford U.



Mr. Thomas Nelson Bird

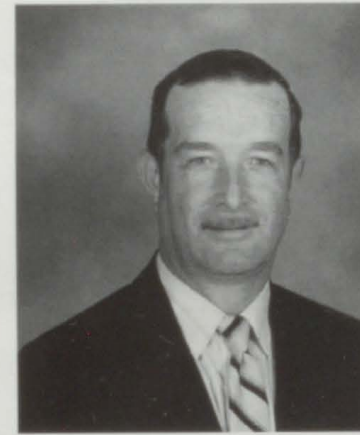
14 years; Algebra I, Math I, Consumer Math; Sponsor: 9th Grade Class; BS-Radford U.

Mr. Darrell Burnett

French; BA-Radford U.

Mr. Robert E. Correll

8 years; Beginning, Intermediate, Secondary Band; BS-Austin Peay State U.



Mr. William H. Crabtree

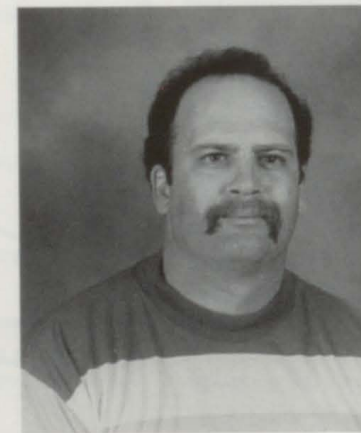
28 years; Agriculture; Sponsor: FFA; BS/MS-VPI.

Ms. Janet B. Faulkner

26 years; English 10, 11, 12, Dual Credit English; Sponsor: Senior Beta, Beta State Sponsor Elect; BS/MS-Radford U.

Mr. Richard Dale Hankins

9 years; Secondary Physical Education, Math II, Pre-Algebra; Sponsor: Varsity Boys' Basketball; BS-Bluefield State.



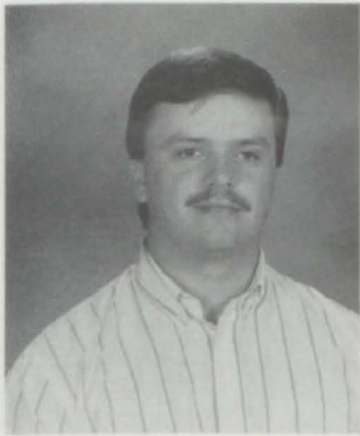
Mrs. Sandra Green Harman

18 years; Creative Writing, Secondary Adaptive; Sponsor: Sophomore Class; BS/MS-Radford U.

Mrs. Jessie Davis Kegley

32 years; Keyboarding, Office Systems, Business Computer Applications, Information/Word Processing; BS-ETSU.

Mr. Matthew B. Kidd
1 year; Latin Facilitator; BS-Lee College



A noble tradition

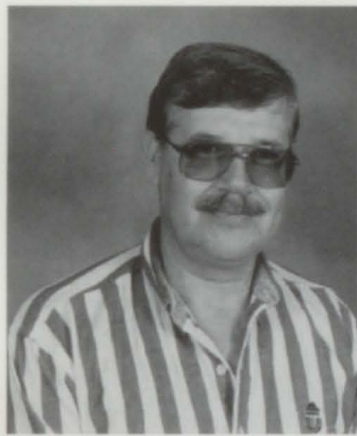
Teaching, always a noble tradition, has come a long way over the past 50 years, when one room schools were still open in the area. As each community school closed, students and teachers were transported to a new setting. Male teachers were expected to wear suit and tie while female teachers wore dresses or suits and heels. Casual attire was considered unsuitable for these role models who were to set the proper examples for their students. Rules also changed from paddlings to inschool suspension or being sent home. While nothing can effectively replace the teacher and chalkboard, innovative resources have enhanced the teachers' methods and tools. Teachers now have overheads, videos, computers, and CDs to reinforce their lessons.



Mrs. Kay Mabe
14 years; Geometry, Algebra II, Trigonometry, Calculus; Sponsor: MACC Math Coach; BS-Radford U.

Miss Teena Rae Morefield
17 years; Counselor; Secondary Gifted Coordinator; Sponsor: Jr. Beta, Volleyball; BS-Concord, MS-LIUA

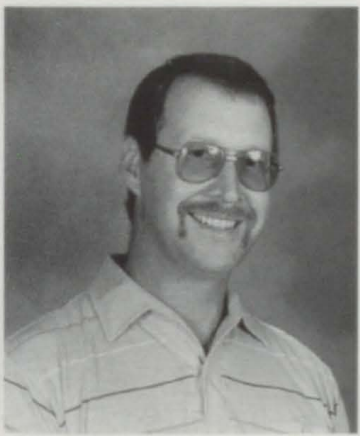
Ms. LaMoore Muncy
2 years; Secondary Physical Education, World Geography, World History; Sponsor: Junior Class, JV Girls' Basketball; BS-Radford U.



Ms. Elizabeth G. Newberry
28 years; Librarian-Secondary & Elementary; Sponsor: Yearbook, Photography Club; BS/MS-Radford U.

Mrs. Rebecca M. Peery
13 years; French I, II, III, IV; Sponsor: French Club, English MACC coach; BS/MA-Radford U.

Mr. Alfred E. Smith
13 years; Biology I & II, Physical Science; Sponsor: SCA, All-Around MACC coach; BS-Concord C.



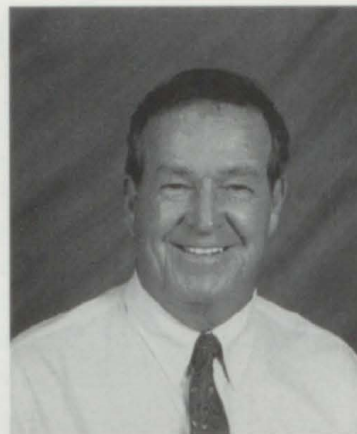
Mr. John Harkrader Wagoner
10 years; Physical Science, Earth Science, Chemistry, Physics; Sponsor: MACC Science Coach, Photography Club; BS-Radford U.

Mrs. Deborah Whitt
7 years; Civics, Sociology, Government, Economics; Sponsor: Junior Class, Cheerleading-football and basketball-JV & 8th; BA-Emory & Henry C.

Ms. Sylvia G. Williams
12 years; Life Skills I & II, Family Management, Elementary Computer Science; Sponsor: FHA; BS-JMU, MS-Indiana U.

Mrs. Ruth W. Groseclose

33 years; Principal; BS-Concord C., MS-Radford U.



Mr. Wallace R. Hutton

33 years; Acting Principal, Teaching at WCC; BA-Union, KY, UVA, MA-Radford U.

Mr. Fred J. Simpkins, III

17 years; Assistant Principal, Seventh grade; AAS-WCC, BA-Emory & Henry.

Mrs. Ruth Ann Barton

4 years; Second grade; BS-Bluefield State.



Mrs. Rita Elizabeth Carver

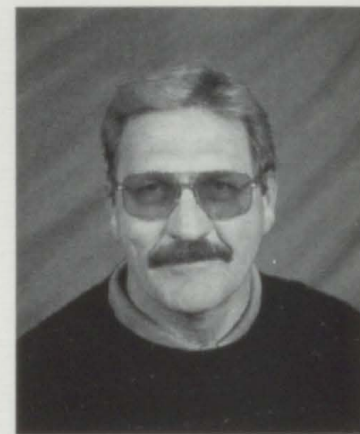
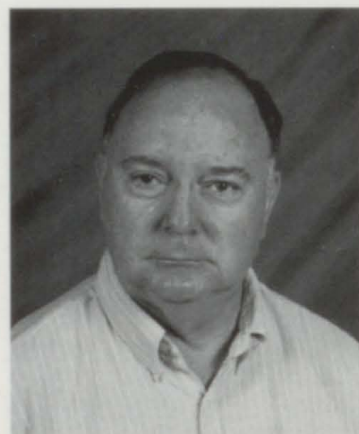
5 years; Chapter I Reading; BS-Bluefield College.

Mrs. Sue Coleman

16 years; Sp. Ed. Resource; BS/MS-Radford U.

Mr. Robert E. Correll

8 years; Beginning, Intermediate, Secondary Band; BS-Austin Peay State U.



Mrs. Sue Dunford

27 years; Third grade; BS-Radford U.

Dr. David Clark Foltz

30 years; Elementary guidance; BA-Roanoke, MA-Kean, PhD-Southern Ill. U.

Mrs. Lana L. Hall

2 years; Third grade; BS-Bluefield College.



Mrs. Patricia S. Hankins

6 years; Elementary Physical Education; BS-Bluefield College.

Ms. Jo Ellen Harless

19 years; LD/EMH Modified Self-Contained; BS-Concord College, MS-Radford U.

Mrs. Barbara M. Justice
9 years; Fourth grade; BS-Pikeville Col-
lege.

Mrs. Deborah Diane Massie
7 years; Primary Self-contained; BS-
WVU.



Adjustments required to keep current

This rapidly advancing world of technology has found teachers in a race to keep current. "High Tech" teaching involved adjustment and change. The classroom textbooks and blackboards have become informational highways viewed through a computer monitor and television.

The school staff has had to make major adjustments, also. Years ago there was only one janitor

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Mrs. June M. Miller
32 years; First grade; BS-King
College.

Mrs. Rachelle C. Nelson
6 years; Sixth grade; BA-Alice
Lloyd College.

**Ms. Elizabeth G.
Newberry**
28 years; Librarian; BS/MS-
Radford U.



**Mrs. Norma G.
Newberry**
29 years; Fifth grade; Gifted Co-
ordinator; BS-Radford U.

Mrs. Iris C. Pruett
24 years; Kindergarten; BS-
Radford U.

Mrs. Laura Radford
4 years; Sixth grade; BS-Bluefield
College.



Mrs. Barbara Ann Reed
8 years; Upper Elementary Self-
Contained; BA-Lambuth College.

Mrs. Glenda Scott
1 year; Sixth grade, substitute;
BS-Bluefield

**Ms. Janet Hamilton
Scott**
22 years; Fourth grade; BS/MS-
Radford U.

(continued from previous page) to clean the school and keep up regular maintenance. Now the janitorial staff has six members each of

whom perform different jobs. The secretaries and bookkeepers have gone from the time consuming process of keeping up with pages

and pages of documents to just having to punch a few buttons on a computer, plus the endless task of answering the phone.

Mrs. Rebecca W. Scott
21 years; Kindergarten; BA-King C., MA-Radford U.



Mrs. Michelle Thompson
9 years; Speech-language pathologist; BS/MS(CCC-SLP)-Radford U.



Mrs. Diana Tibbs
6 years; Seventh grade; BS-Bluefield State.



Mrs. Gwen Vicars
5 years social work, 10 years teaching; First grade; BS-ETSU, BS-Bluefield State.



Ms. Amber Renee Witt
9 years; Second grade; BS-Concord C.



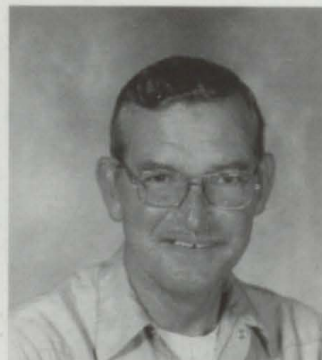
Ms. Kimberly Dyane Woods
6 years; Fifth grade; BS-Radford U.



Aransas the Storyteller, sponsored by the Bland County Gifted Program on October 28, 1994, gives basic juggling lessons to the primary grades. His stories consisted of Greek mythology and other cultures.



Mrs. Nadine Bridges assists Carmella Thompson and Angela Walker in checking out library books.



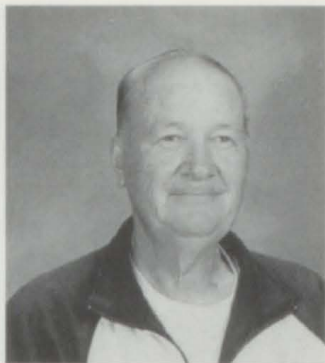
Mr. Louie Ayers
15 years; Maintenance.



Mrs. Norma Sue Beavers
14 years; Chapter I Parent-Home Coordinator.



Mrs. Violet Bird
22 years; Instructional aide.



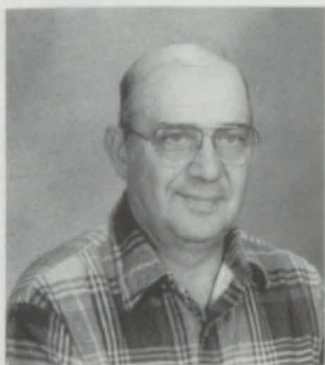
Mr. Harold Bivens
12 years; Bus driver.



Mrs. Bonnie C. Blankenship
11 years; Secondary secretary/bookkeeper.



Mrs. Helen Blankenship
17 years; Remedial reading/math aide.



Mr. Jack Blankenship
1 year; Bus driver.



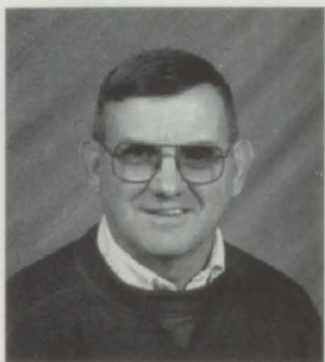
Mrs. Nadine L. Bridges
27 years; Instructional aide; WCC.



Mrs. Nancy Brown
8 years; Lunchroom.



Mrs. Joyce Cassell
18 years; Instructional aide.



Mr. William Moore Cregar
19 years; Remedial reading/math aide, Bus driver; Marion C., WCC.



Mrs. Louise Elmore
3 years; Lunchroom.



Mr. Charles T. Fain
4 years; Maintenance Supervisor.



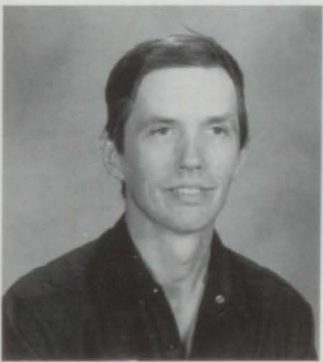
Mrs. Pam Gore
26 years; Elementary secretary/bookkeeper.



Mrs. Irma K. Havens
10 years; Bus driver.



Mr. Harvey Hull
3 years; Custodian.



Mr. Johnny Hull
3 years; Custodian.



Mrs. Pat Johnson
14 years; Instructional aide.



Mrs. Flora Jones
3 years; Lunchroom.



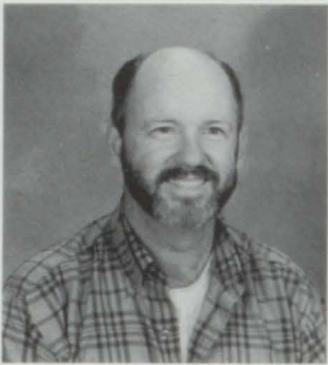
Mrs. Sharon C. May
2 years; Substitute teacher.



Mrs. Susie Meadows
9 years; Bus driver, Substitute teacher.



Mrs. Mary Melvin
17 years; Lunchroom.



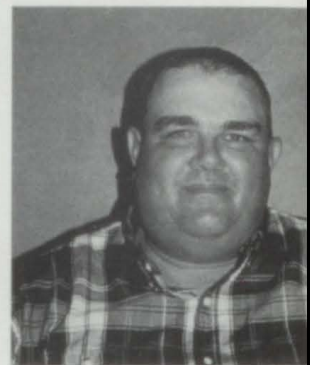
Mr. Jimmy Michael
7 years; Bus driver, Substitute teacher.



Mrs. Linda Moses
7 years; Bus driver.



Mrs. Regina Newberry
18 years; Bus driver.



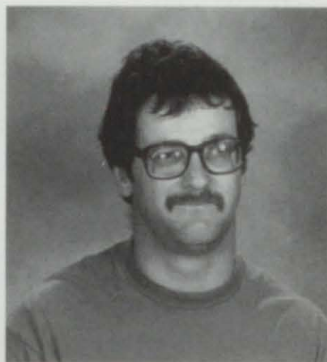
Mr. Bobby Penley
26 years-Substitute bus driver, 1 y
Vocational transportation.



Mrs. Brenda Penley
12 years; Bus driver, Substitute teacher.



Mrs. Brenda Pike
14 years; Bus driver.



Mr. Keith Sargent
9 years; Custodian.



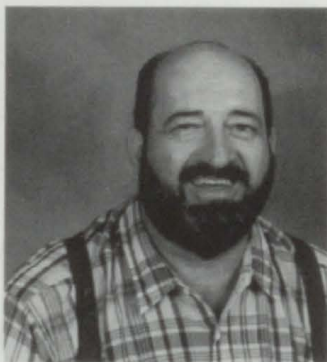
Mrs. Nancy Stockner
22 years; Bland County Gifted Educa
Assistant.



Mrs. Iris Strock
8 years; Elementary Resource Music, Sub-
stitute teacher, Cheerleader sponsor.



Mrs. Dot Tibbs
16 years; Lunchroom.

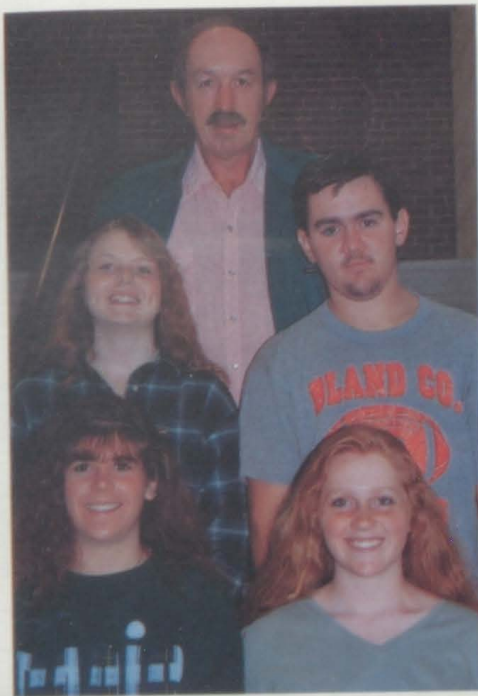


Mr. Sonny Turner
12 years; Custodian.



Mrs. Mary Wimmer
9 years; Bus driver.

Leaving the past, meeting the future

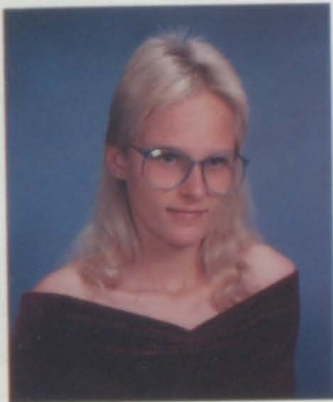


Five years ago, the class of 1995 entered the eighth grade with anxious and expectant hearts. It didn't take them long to make themselves at home in the hallowed halls of BHS. Each person found their own place in the scheme of things and contented themselves in that place. They built strong

friendships as well as strong academic backgrounds. Two of the members (Joanie Lambert and April Tickle) were selected to attend Governor's School at Pulaski.

By senior year, the class of '95 began to feel discontented (even with the option of going downtown for lunch). It soon became apparent that it was time for this class to be moving on to bigger and better things. So, they spent their last year at BHS enjoying the time they had left with each other and preparing to leave their pasts and meet their futures.

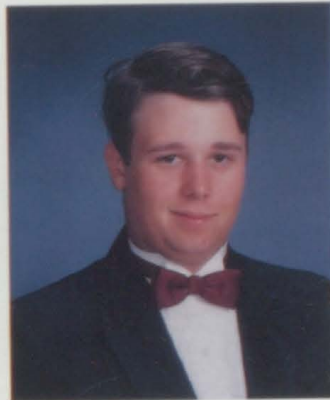
SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS: Front row: Anita Sage, vice-president; Meagan Morehead, president; 2nd row: Tanya Ramsey, secretary; Robbie Chewing, treasurer; Back row: Mr. Richard Havens, sponsor.



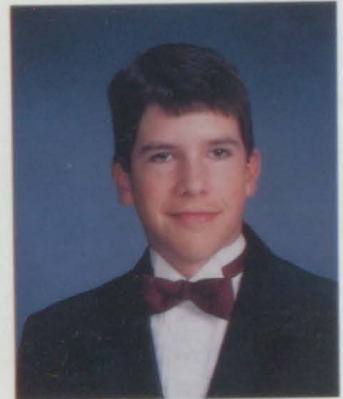
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Nickname: Tracy
Birthdate: 9/19/75
Most noted for: Blonde hair



Cynthia Lee Ann Berg
Nickname: Cindy
Birthdate: 4/15/77
Most noted for: Being a hard worker



Samuel Edison Blankenship
Nickname: Sammy
Birthdate: 6/7/77
Most noted for: Being a rebel



Gary Allen Brown
Nickname: Al Brown
Birthdate: 1/11/77
Most noted for: Being sweet



Charles Kenneth Burton
Nickname: Charlie
Birthdate: 3/25/77
Most noted for: His broken leg



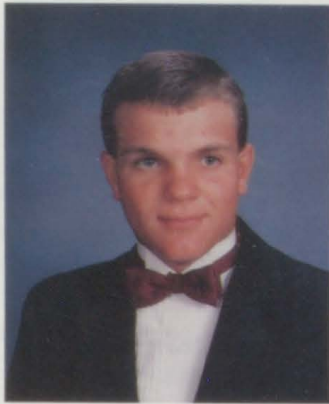
Robert Owen Chewing
Nickname: Leno
Birthdate: 5/13/77
Most noted for: Looking like Jay Leno



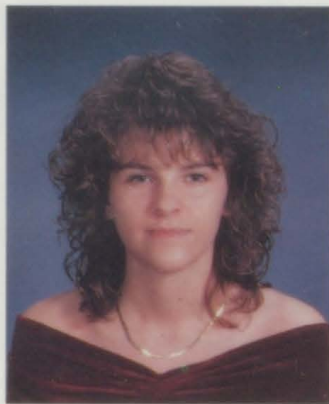
Justin Brent Eaton
Nickname: Jut-sin
Birthdate: 1/27/77
Most noted for: His musical talent



Shannon Leigh Enoch
Nickname: Shannon
Birthdate: 4/9/77
Most noted for: Being athletic



Bradley Stephen Gordon
 Nickname: Bradley
 Birthdate: 12/29/77
 Most noted for: Pretty blue eyes



Crystal Lee Hall
 Nickname: Crystal
 Birthdate: 12/27/76
 Most noted for: Being talkative



Donald Hale Havens
 Nickname: Donnie
 Birthdate: 4/20/77
 Most noted for: Intelligence



Karen Denise Havens
 Nickname: Karen
 Birthdate: 9/16/76
 Most noted for: Being quiet



Eric Shannon Havens
 Nickname: Shannon
 Birthdate: 3/13/77
 Most noted for: Tallness



Bobbi Faith Hobbs
 Nickname: Bobbi
 Birthdate: 7/6/77
 Most noted for: Her smile



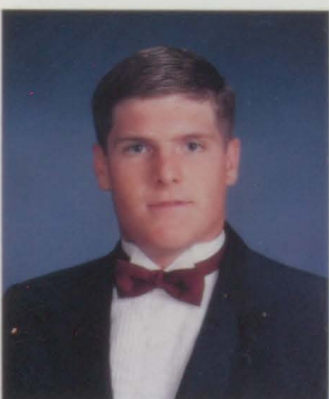
Bradley Chrisanna Hoosier
 Nickname: Bradley
 Birthdate: 10/10/77
 Most noted for: Pretty eyes



Brock Allen Justice
 Nickname: Brock
 Birthdate: 12/31/77
 Most noted for: His unquenchable thirst



Jamie Lynn Kidd
 Nickname: Kidd
 Birthdate: 12/06/77
 Most noted for: Being best dressed



David Alan Lambert
 Nickname: David Alan
 Birthdate: 8/5/77
 Most noted for: Being athletic



Joanie Marie Lambert
 Nickname: Joenster
 Birthdate: 2/4/77
 Most noted for: Wearing combat boots to the prom



James Montgomery Matthews
 Nickname: Monty
 Birthdate: 10/7/76
 Most noted for: Being athletic



James Robert McAfee
 Nickname: Mack!
 Birthdate: 6/5/77
 Most noted for: Singing talent



Cynthia Renee McGrady
 Nickname: Cyndi
 Birthdate: 8/30/76
 Most noted for: Being dependable



Pamela Jane Meadows
 Nickname: P.J.
 Birthdate: 4/24/77
 Most noted for: Cruising talents



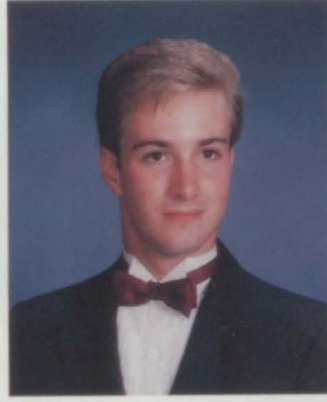
Meagan Laura Morehead
 Nickname: Red
 Birthdate: 5/12/77
 Most noted for: Being outgoing



Robert Lee Morehead
 Nickname: Robbie
 Birthdate: 3/16/77
 Most noted for: His Republican views on life



John Paul Nunley
 Nickname: John Paul
 Birthdate: 8/7/77
 Most noted for: His love of rock music



Fredrick Vaden Payne
 Nickname: Fredro
 Birthdate: 7/30/77
 Most noted for: Artistic talents



Cora Leigh Ramsey
 Nickname: Corri
 Birthdate: 5/6/77
 Most noted for: Being Perky



Tanya Lavonne Ramsey
 Nickname: Tannie
 Birthdate: 2/15/77
 Most noted for: Being sweet



Dianna Christine Ramsey
 Nickname: Chrissy
 Birthdate: 12/25/76
 Most noted for: Shortness



Meranda K Rose
 Nickname: Randy
 Birthdate: 8/31/77
 Most noted for: Cruising talents



Anita Lynn Sage
 Nickname: Neeter
 Birthdate: 11/19/76
 Most noted for: Her school spirit



Mark Anthony Sarver
 Nickname: Mark
 Birthdate: 6/28/76
 Most noted for: Hunting talents



Michael Eugene Shelton
 Nickname: Mike
 Birthdate: 2/14/77
 Most noted for: His strength



Sue Ann Sparks
 Nickname: Sue
 Birthdate: 4/20/77
 Most noted for: Being Married



William Jason Stowers
 Nickname: Jason
 Birthdate: 7/17/77
 Most noted for: Being best all around



Wesley Alan Strock
 Nickname: Wes
 Birthdate: 9/14/77
 Most noted for: Friendliness



Martin Bradley Tate
 Nickname: Tater
 Birthdate: 7/7/77
 Most noted for: Being athletic



April Lynn Tickle
 Nickname: Apple
 Birthdate: 10/11/77
 Most noted for: Intelligence



Jessica Dawn Turner
 Nickname: Harvey
 Birthdate: 8/1/77
 Most noted for: Being best all around



James Allen Umbarger
 Nickname: Sunshine
 Birthdate: 8/29/77
 Most noted for: Golf Talents



Brian Matthew Waddle
 Nickname: Bubba
 Birthdate: 3/7/77
 Most noted for: His hair



Shanon Jo Webb
 Nickname: Sha-na-na
 Birthdate: 8/29/77
 Most noted for: Being Small



Bradley Tate and David Lambert spend study hall time playing golf on the computer

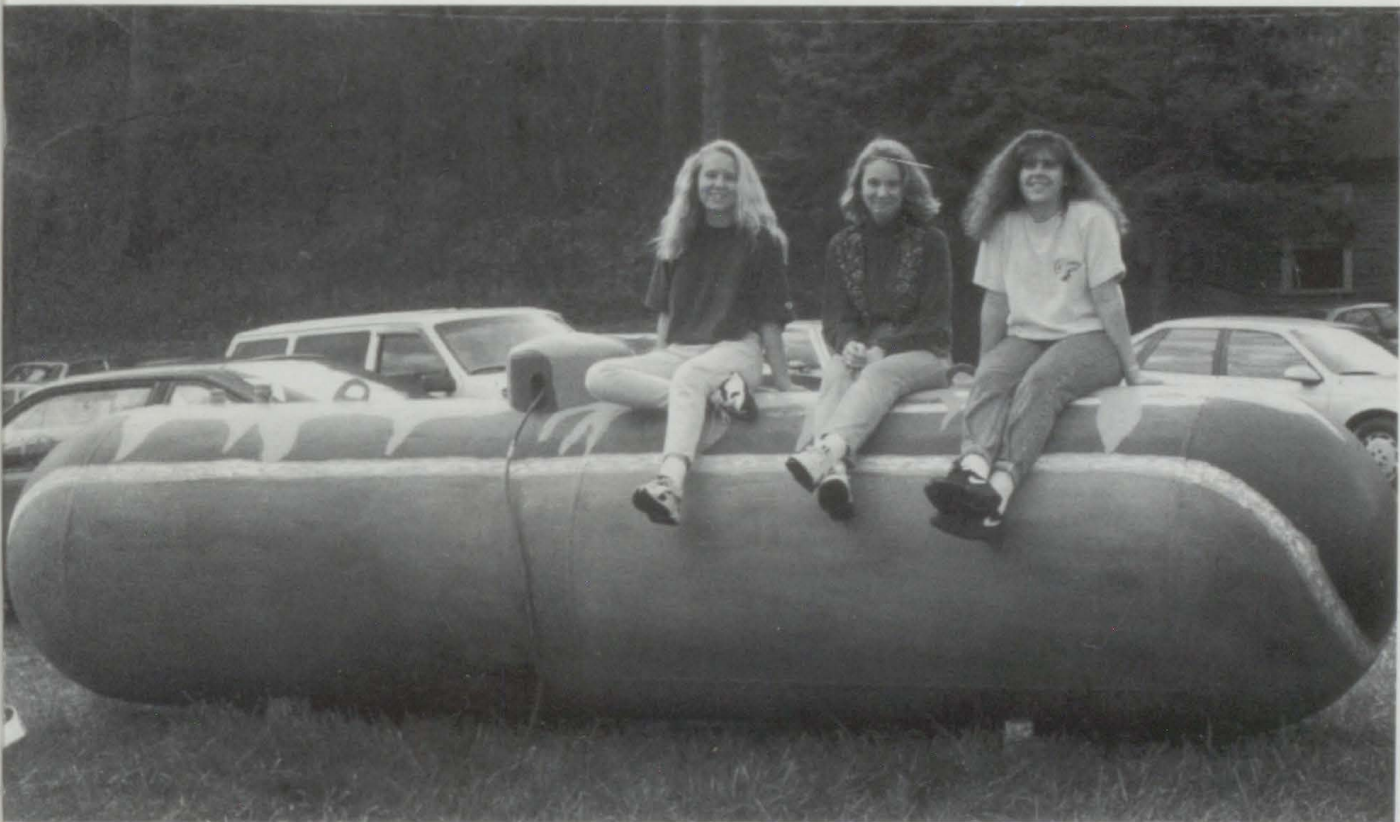
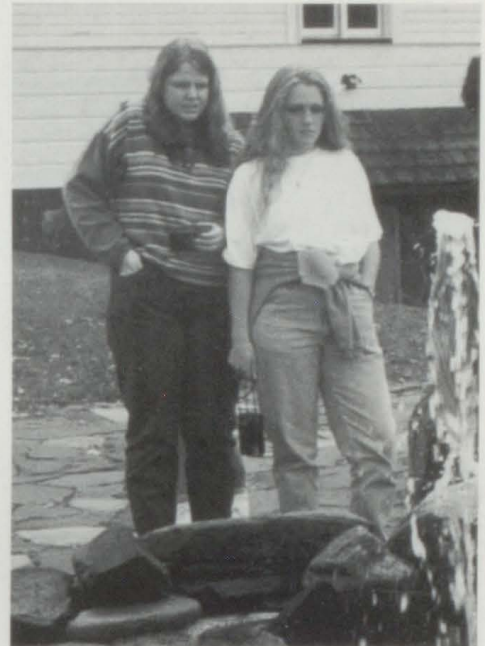


Mrs. Ruth Barton and her student, Lindsey Newberry, looked more like Indian mother and daughter when dressed for Halloween.

Bradley Gordon (1st place costume winner) and Anita Sage tied in the senior division on October 31 costume day.



Tanya Ramsey and Meagan Morehead find a mesmerizing fascination with the fountain at Glendale Springs, NC, on the photography club field trip.



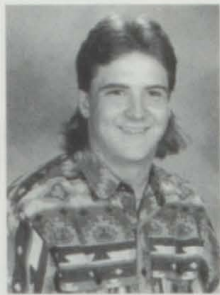
Glendale Springs, NC, offered more than a good breakfast for this trio. Perched atop a giant barrel painted to look like a hot dog are Stacey Miller, Stephanie Ferrari, Anita Sage.



Amanda Baldwin



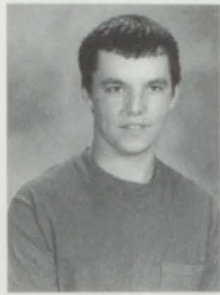
Sheri Blankenship



Andy Bruce



Cheryl Brunk



Matthew Brunk



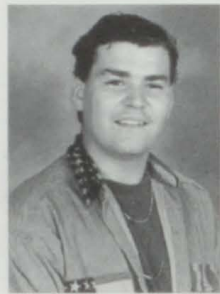
Justin Clemons



Charlie Corler



B. J. Crabtree



Billy Davis



Brook Dillow



Anita French



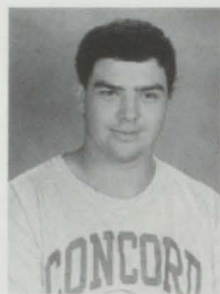
Amie Goss



Jamie Goss



Leslie Kelley



Jody Lambert



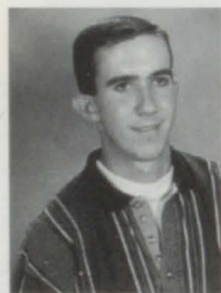
Eric Miller



Todd Morehead



Michael Muncy



Mike Munsey



Jody Neel



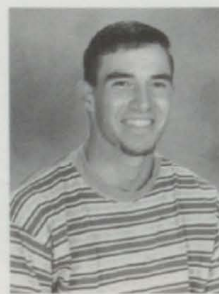
Jaime Newby



Jamy Nunn



Lisa Owens



Smoky Parmenter



Jimmy Pike



Becky Penley



Sheri Blankenship in dance routine for Miss Echo program.

Memories recalled by juniors

Being a junior and putting the lower class years behind was very dominating yet rewarding for the class of '96. With the excitement and speculations of their junior year they occasionally looked back to recall memories of their previous years. After the sadness of putting the years to never be relived behind them, they looked forward to the privileges offered only to seniors.

Muncy performed their duties as sponsors by keeping the juniors busy raising money for the prom. Ballgame concessions and donut sales helped to bring in part of the needed funds.

Involvement in various clubs and sports left little time for study and leisure hours. This group of juniors stretched the hours to provide for all phases of a balanced student.

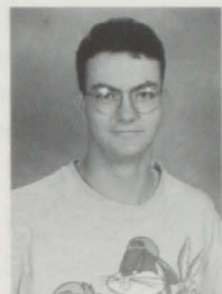
Mrs. Deborah Whitt and Miss LaMoore



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS: Ms. LaMoore Muncy, adviser; Jamy Nunn, president; Pachess Umbarger, vice-president; Sheri Blankenship, secretary; Linda Prater, treasurer. Not pictured: Adviser Deborah Whitt.



Linda Prater



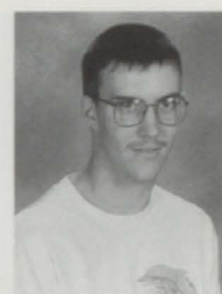
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Melissa Richardson



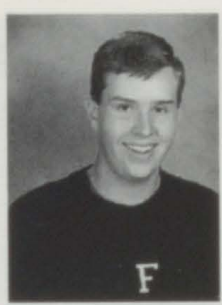
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Andy Selfe



Sarah Shewey



Brandon Sink



Melanie Talbert



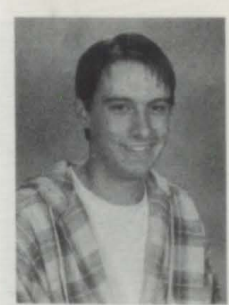
Jessica Taylor



Kary Taylor



Samantha Thompson



Sam Tickle



Pachess Umbarger



Darrell Wellman



Misty Wiley



Cheryl Winesett



J. R. Wolfe

Sophomore concerns similar to ancestors

Driver's licenses, prom dates, and becoming a junior top the list of sophomore concerns. The 34 members of the 1994 BHS tenth grade class have had many more opportunities than the members of the 40's classes. In those not so long ago days, many of the girls were either already married or were soon to be. Some were already mothers. Young men were lining up to volunteer for military service and would soon ship overseas to fight in WWII. The war had limited teen social life and money for

extras was tight. Ration cards were used to buy necessities and luxuries were just thought about. But just as their ancestors,

students of today are filled with anxieties and great expectations.

SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS: Ben Chewning, president; Marie Dotson, vice-president; J. B. Lambert, secretary; Derrick DeHart, treasurer; Mrs. Sandra Harman, adviser.



Jeremy Blankenship



Keith Bourne



Amanda Brown



Ben Chewning



Mary Jane Chewning



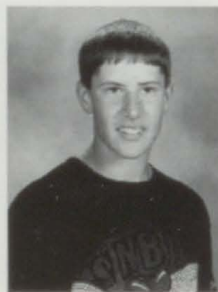
Benjamin Davis



Derrick DeHart



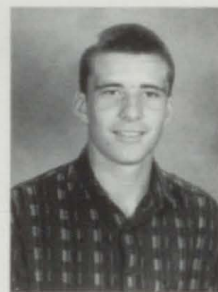
Marie Dotson



Jamie Dunn



Missy French



Jason Hancock



Amy Hansfrew



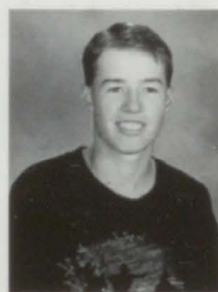
Amanda Horn



Casey Johnston



Tracie Jones



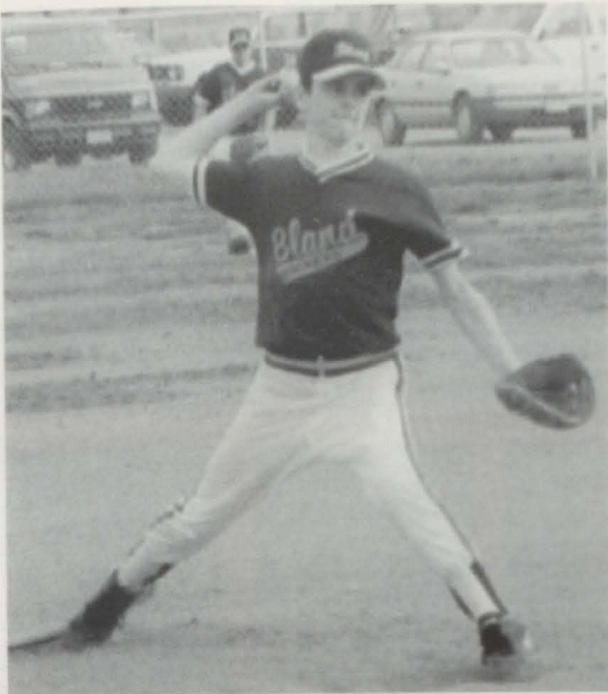
Jason Kidd



Cindy King



J. B. Lambert



John Curtis Thompson winds up and deftly tosses the baseball for a clean strike.



Michael Kay Mabe



Jamie McMillan



Jason Neel



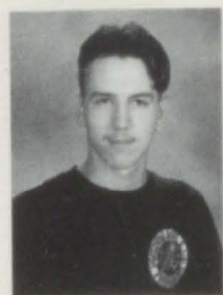
JonMichael Newberry



Holly Pauley



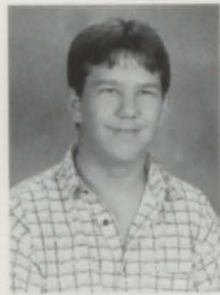
Michael Pruett



Wes Quinn



Justin Ramsey



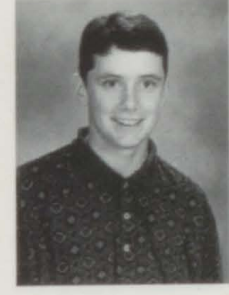
Jeremy Reed



Rae Romano



Jacob Scott



John Curtis Thompson



Amanda Umbarger



Eric Wimmer



Jennifer Winters



Faye Wolfe



Glendale Springs, NC, provides a refreshing drink for Marie Dotson on the photography trip.

FRESHMEN CLASS OFFICERS: Eric Reed, president; Jeremiah Clemons, vice-president; Debbie Munsey, secretary; Adam Faulkner, treasurer; Mr. Tommy Bird, adviser.



Martha Arnold



Sarah Bird



Kris Blankenship



Mandy Blankenship



Joanne Brunsey



Leslie Carroll



Jeremiah Clemons



Jeremy Dillow



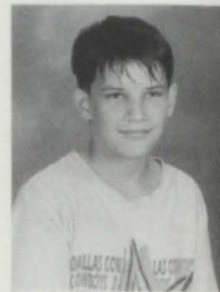
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Adam Faulkner



Stephanie Ferrari



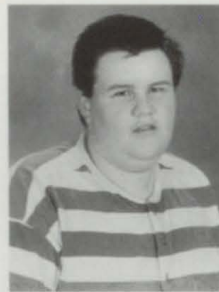
Michael Fulford



Whitney Gamble



Jason Groseclose



Josh Gusler



Leisa Hagy



Ashley Havens



Nicole Howell



Stephanie Kelley



Kelli King



Sara King



Brooke Kitts



Paul Lindamood



Sandra Melvin

Freshmen of 50 years ago lived a very different life from those of 1994-95

If you had been a member of the ninth grade class of '45, you wouldn't have grumbled about the cafeteria food. There was no cafeteria. Everyone brought their lunch of biscuits and sausage or apple butter in metal

lunch boxes or paper bags.

In the 40's girls wore dresses with bobby sox and saddle oxfords, and boys wore dress pants. Jeans were seen only as work clothes on the farm.

Dating was mainly confined to the porch swing or church. But just as in those days, the students of today worry about passing their hardest subjects, dealing with their parents, and meeting that special someone.



Stacey Miller



Debbie Munsey



David Neel



April Nelson



Ryan Newberry



Charlotte Nunn



Jim Bob Penley



Eric Reed



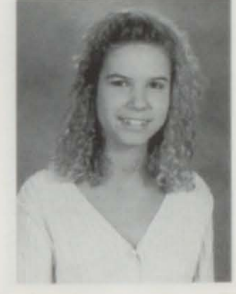
Andrew Schoeneman



Meagan Shewey



Sharon Shewey



Sarah Smith



Heather Stiltner



Lorie Tabor



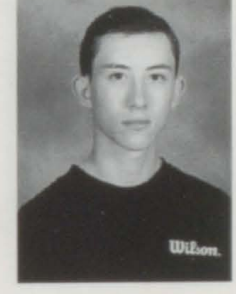
Erin Thompson



Jeremy Thompson



John Kelly Thompson



Isaac Tyeryar



Jennifer Walker



Sondra Wolfe



Missy Woods



Ninth girls socialize during lunch.

Many changes occurred since 1944 for 8th

Fifty-three eighth graders started the long and sometimes stressful journey to graduation on August 22, 1994. This class seemed a world away from their counterparts of 1944. This class came equipped with pre-algebra and basic computer skills while the 40's students only read about computers.

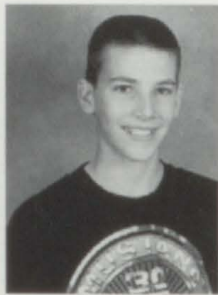
The 1994 class of 8th graders had the experience of changing classes during their seventh grade year while their long-ago counterparts most likely had the same teacher for all seven grades and kindergarten was nonexistent. So many changes through the years and so many more are to be expected for this class of 1999.



Randy Berrington, Jr.



8TH CLASS OFFICERS: Leslie Gordon, president; Ashleigh Sarver, vice-president; Olena Sexton, secretary; Amber Simmons, treasurer; Jessica Umberger, reporter. Not pictured: Mrs. Carolyn Bane, adviser.



D. J. Belcher



Chris Berg



April Blankenship



Will Blankenship



Josh Breedlove



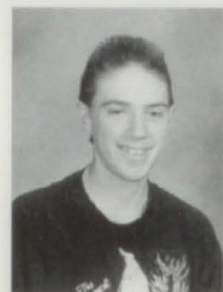
Chad Brewer



Jeff Brunk



Adam Carroll



Chris Clemons



Jessica Crawford



Nikki Elliott



Billy Floyd



Leslie Gordon



Jesse Goss



Renee Gross



Clinton Hagy



Kari Hamer



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Michael Lambert



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Josie McMillian



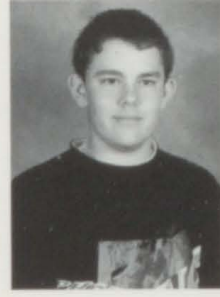
Kent McPeak



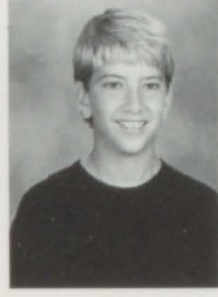
Philip Meadows



Katie Muncy



David Olinger



Weston Patton



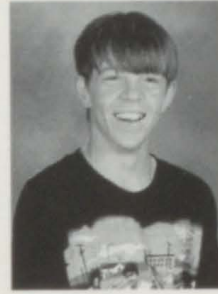
Tina Pauley



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Heath Puckett



Titus Ramsey



Joshua Richardson



Stella Riggs



Ashleigh Sarver



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Olena Sexton



Allison Sheets



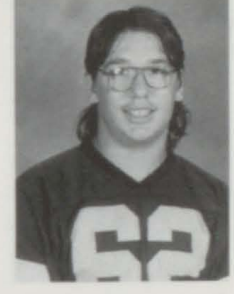
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Jeremiah Tate



Daniel Thompson



T. J. Thompson



Jessica Umbarger



Christa Winesett



Nathan Winters



Ronnie Wolfe



Kelly Woods

Crystal Stiltner and Krissy Goins point out some of the work done in their study of sea life.



Monica Reed grabs for a frisbee toss.



Brandon Faulkner



Brian Faulkner



James Faulkner



Kelli Hall



Crystal Hancock



Jeb Hodges



Jessica Kidd



Brett McPeak



Heather Morehead



Stuart Morehead



Aaron Pauley



Will Pauley



Virginia Presley



April Rambo



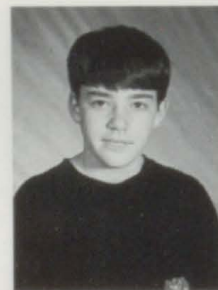
Lila Ramsey



Kellen Shewey



Kelly Sluss



Josiah Smith



Susan Stanley



Ashley Tate



Amy Viar



Dawn Wright

Environment aided students learning

Guidance in academics, manners, and fun for 7th graders came from Mr. Fred Simpkins, III, and Mrs. Diana Tibbs. In a study of sea life each student selected one animal learning what it ate, what ocean depth was its home, etc., and placing it

correctly on a bulletin board. Dissecting donated star fish was also on their agenda. Using colorful bulletin boards depicting prehistoric life as models, students made their own dinosaurs.



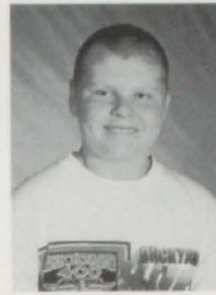
With the prehistoric bulletin boards in the background Amy Viar poses with her dinosaur model.



Carey Berg



Allesha Bourne



Brandon Clark



Heather Clemons



Sarah Coffman



Lian Cole



Joshua Faulkner



Krissy Goins



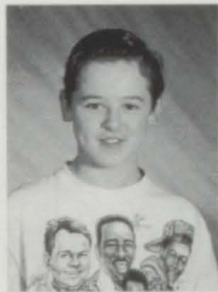
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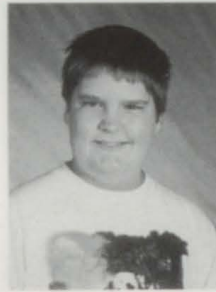
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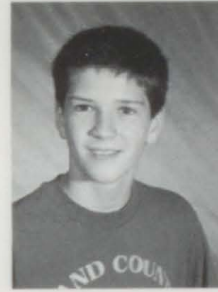
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Rob Kegley



Justin Neel



Robert Newberry



Chris Pauley



Meagan Penley



Monica Reed



Ted Sparks



Crystal Stiltner



April Umbarger



Mindy Wyllie



Kurt Blankenship



Curtis Brewer



Laura Bridges



Aaron Clemons



Sprinting in the 100-yard dash are Jessie Whittaker and Allen Kistler.



Laurel Kittle



Elizabeth Lambert



Benjamin May



Vanessa McBride



Hope Melvin



Joshew Olinger



Zachary Pauley



Sarah Pruett



Katie Scott



Charlie Stiltner



Ashley Strock



Kevin Stump



Erica Vanover



James Williams



The "environmental bubble" houses sixth grade

What is an "environmental bubble?"

A strange looking large object caught one's eye while passing Mrs. Laura Radford's sixth grade classroom. This was a transparent domed rectangular shape with a slotted opening. Students used this area for science projects and called it the

"environmental bubble." It was inflated daily by using a fan.

Mrs. Rachelle Nelson returned to school in October following the birth of her son during the summer. Filling in for her was Mrs. Glenda Scott. They concentrated on a variety

of writing styles, including autobiographies, mysteries, and poetry.

Sixth graders learned about trees the natural way. They collected leaves for a scrapbook. They also studied dinosaurs and fossils and launched rockets in the spring.



Shelley Atwell



Samantha Bird



Karen Brunsey



Albert Davis



Christy Gravley



Kari Hagy



Eisle Havens



Monica Havens



Amy Johnson



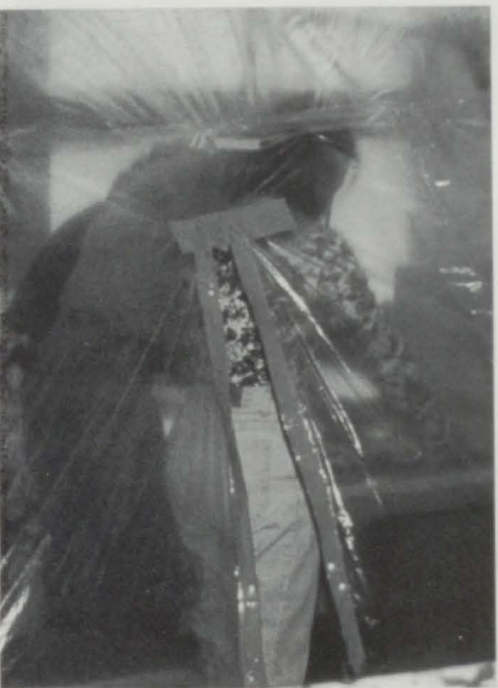
Allen Kistler



Kirstie Meadows



Rachel Mullins



girls as they work on a jigsaw puzzle.



Sara Reed



Matthew Richardson



Jesse Rudder



Kristen Songer



Ronald Spain



Shane Thompson



Matthew Tickle



Jessie Whittaker

Fifth encountered a new procedure

Students entering the fifth grade encountered a new procedure. Previously they had been confined to one teacher in one classroom. Now they had home rooms and changed classes like their upper grade counterparts. Guiding them through the year were

Mrs. Norma Newberry and Miss Kadi Woods.

Mrs. Newberry's students built Indian villages while Miss Wood's class designed revolutionary floats. Students were given an instruction sheet on collecting wildflowers for

a scrapbook and were urged to begin with the fall flowers. This was an endeavor that involved each family member. As students and teachers worked together they experienced a profitable and harmonious school year.



Brandon Anders



Wesley Armstrong



Seth Baker



Amanda Call



not
Dustine Davis



Amanda Gail Fisher



Denita Harden



Paul Harless



Jessica Hounshell



Amber Hutchins



Christina King



Reggie Meadows



Anthony Newberry



Shawn Reed



Andy Sarver



Amanda Scott



Hunter Stuart



Thomas Chase



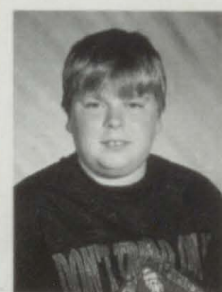
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Joey Walker



William Whittaker



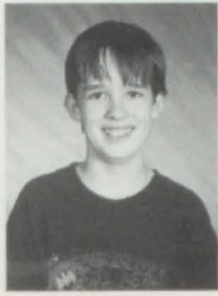
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Sam Wright



Shanna Brown



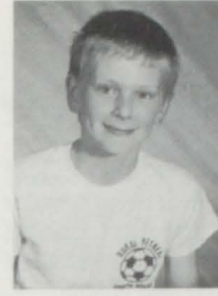
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John Brandon Dillow



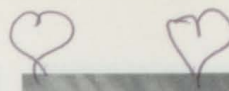
Casey Elliott



Ben Foglesong



Best Friend
Miranda Foley



Eric Gray



Adam Harman



Thomas Johnson



Corey Maddox



Tonya Millirons



Friend
Elisha Pauley



Sarah Pauley



Travis Pauley



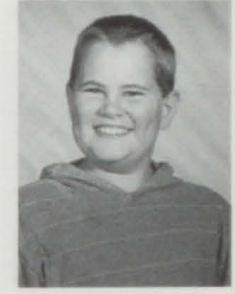
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Root
J. R. Shewey



Todd Simmons



Bryan Simms



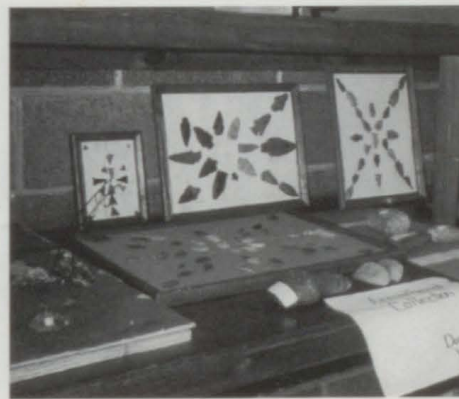
Danielle Underwood



Craig Winesett



Smile
David Wolcott



LEFT: Christina King proudly displays her handiwork on her Indian village. Fish swim in the stream and a tiny kettle swings over the fire. The land is made from coffee grounds.

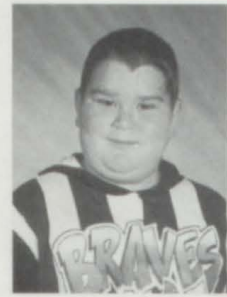
RIGHT: David Wolcott's arrowhead collection is displayed during Heritage Day.

Teacher reminisces over school days

Collecting a rock or mineral from each of the 50 states was a challenging task for fourth graders. Other activities included studying the environment and ecosystem and making a model rain forest and habitat.

Mrs. Justice said of her school years, "I attended a small two-room rural school. We

walked to school each day and always carried lunch. There were two teachers and four grades in each classroom. Our favorite games were Ring-around-the rosy and Red-Rover. We truly enjoyed our childhood and did not have the pressures fourth graders face today."



J. P. Agee



Jacob Begley



Kelly Blankenship



Keri Blankenship



Alicia Burnette



Jonathan Cook



Gary Dalton



Ashlee Drummond



Sherri Faulkner



Jamie Gravley



Feelings of question, distaste, and amusement are revealed in the faces of Bridget Stiltner, Sherri Faulkner, Serina Morris as they sample the "witch's brew."



Laura Hatcher



Larry Howell



Heather Justice



Jason Kinard



Serina Morris



Bridget Stiltner



Bennie Taylor



Jessica Umbarger



Christopher Viar



Nikki Wilson



Jimmy Wright



Kim Wright



Tonya Adams



Zachary Breedlove



Eugene Brunk



Scottie Clemons



Amanda Jo Foglesong



Christopher Harman



Samantha Harner



Stephen Howell



Brandon Kelley



David Pike



Shauna Puckett



Adam Six



Trista Six



Brandy Tate



ABOVE: Fourth grade goblins.



James Thompson



Kofi Walker



Brandon Webb



Kevin Wimmer



RIGHT: Heather Wright and Stephen Howell show their "open houses" they made to represent their homes for PTSO open house.



Heather Wright

Attention focused on an educationally enjoyable and fun year for third graders

The third grader's laughter and sighs echoed from the halls throughout the year as they were instructed by Mrs. Lana Hall and Mrs. Sue Dunford. Mrs. Hall's class hatched

baby chicks and had puppet shows while Mrs. Dunford's class wrote poems and read interesting books. Both classes performed plays. The third graders planned field trips to

study flowers and vegetables. These teachers focused their attention on making the year educationally enjoyable and fun.



Magnum Bivens



Tara Clemons



Travis Coffman



Matt Dalton



Jackie Duncan



Melissa Foglesong



Stephanie Foglesong



Amber Groseclose



Madeline Harden



Brandon Hounshell



Daniel Johnson



Jessie Melvin



Justin Morehead



Thomas Olinger



Aaron Parks



Joey Pauley



Erin Pruett



Vada Ramsey



Dustin Riggins



Todd Scott



Travis Thompson



Halloween costumes are displayed by Mrs. Sue Dunford's third grade.



Lee Bailey



Angela Blankenship



Shaun Carroll



Kimberly Crusenberry



Chris Dillow



Tiffany Grubb



Autumn Haynes



Jeremiah Hickman



Ben Johnson



Jonathan Kidd



Andy Mutter



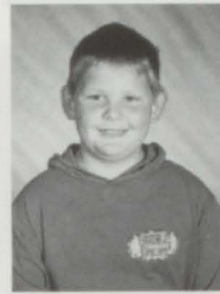
Alice Nunn



Erica Pauley



David Peery



Jerrod Sadler



Angel Sparks



Robert Stanley



Alice Jinne Stone



Tiffany Grubb exercises while watching classmate Madeline Harden and others jump rope in physical education class.



Logan Tate



Paul Thompson



Levi Watts



Robbie Wolfe



TOP LEFT: Through a study of dinosaurs and fossils Brittany Keene displays her prehistoric models.
TOP RIGHT: Practicing reading and writing skills are Amanda Millirons, Lesley Repass, Lindsey Newberry, Angela Walker, Ashley Tickle, Carmella Thompson.

BOTTOM: Bo Peep (Ms. Witt) and an Indian girl on Halloween dress-up day.



Bobby Baker



Phillip Henson



Nicky Joyce



Brittany Keene



Amanda Millirons



Lindsey Newberry



Josh Pauley



Nicholas Pauley



Lesley Repass



Jock Songer



Carmella Thompson



Jeremiah Thompson



Derek Tibbs



Ashley Tickle



Billy Umbarger



Angela Walker



Concentration on reading

As these 34 second graders moved up into new surroundings and more difficult challenges, they progressed under the teachings of Mrs. Ruth Barton and Ms. Amber Witt. With bright, colorful displays throughout the classrooms, they were "light years" away from the grades of several decades ago.

Activities included participating with 5th graders in a "Reading Buddies" program and in the "BookIt" reading program through Pizza Hut. Ms. Witt's group kept a scrapbook throughout the year and interviewed workers about their jobs. Mrs. Barton's students made fossils from shells, cut dinosaur models from paper, and used colored paper to cut out and label human body parts. At least one of the students was heard saying, "you mean we've got this green thing in us." From this experience they will long remem-

ber how the inside of the human body looks. On favorite character day, children chose a book, dressed up like their favorite character, and read a passage from the story. Second graders accomplished a great deal of fun and work in a busy year.



TOP LEFT: Climbing a rope is an easy task for Justin Dunn.

CENTER: Portraying human body are Josh Pauley and Carnella Thompson.



Brittany Allen



Kayla Anders



Adam Baker



Kasey Crider



Blake Crouse



Gabrielle Dean



Ashley Dillow



Jenna Dunn



Justin Dunn



Brent Emerson



Becky Goss



Daniel King



Krystal McGuire



Jerrod Miller



Zachary Neal



Derek Parker



Joshua Shelton



Jared Umbarger

Learning basic academic skills made the transition to 1st grade easier

The first grade, taught by Mrs. June Miller and Mrs. Gwen Vicars, had an exciting year. Being able to read their own books gave a feeling of independence while coping with the transition from kindergarten. They had a fun time learning basic academic skills. Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Vicars were confident that this class could excel in their skills and advance up the educational ladder.



Tiffany Casey



Joey Cole

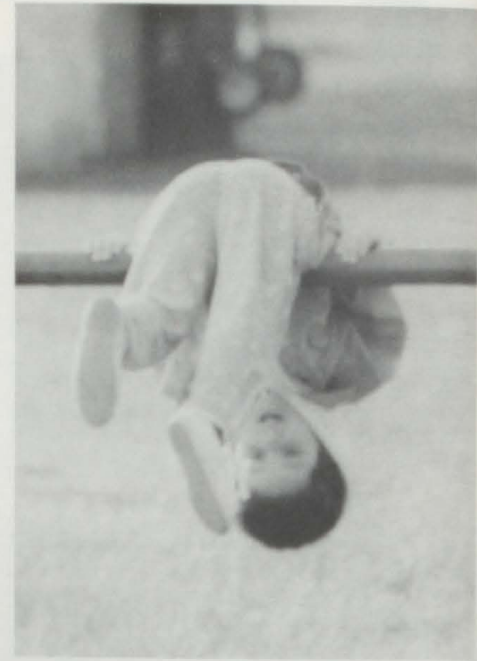


Brenna Collins



Ashley Cox

During her dad's baseball game, Brenna Collins played her own game of hanging upside down.



Jaron Crider



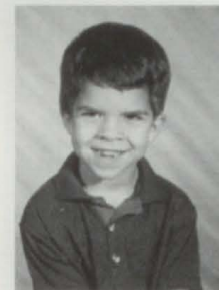
Jessica Davis



Robert Faulkner



Kyle Foglesong



Jason Henson



Joshua May



Justin May



Timothy Romano



Aimee Tate



Paul Thompson



Clint Vanover



Tashia Woolwine



Chelsea Wrigit

Robert Faulkner posts scores for the baseball game. Being a short guy doesn't make the task easy.



Michael Arnold



James Belcher



Kayla Bridges



James Brunk



Kayla Clemons



Brandon Faulkner



Keith Foster



Jonathon Gravley



Kelsey Groseclose



Maxie Hopkins



Shana Jones



M. J. Mallory



Trey Morehead



Jock Mutter



Ashley Neel



Bobby Riggins



Becky Simmons



Joseph Stowers



Nathan Tickle



Shane Umberger



Tonya Wright



CENTER: Mrs. June Miller's 1st graders in Halloween costume.
BOTTOM: Jonathon Gravley and Mrs. Gwen Vicars indicate their enjoyment of the storytelling and juggling assembly.

Kindergarteners achieved daily success

Beginning a major transition from home to the school environment, thirty-nine youngsters entered kindergarten. Many were excited about starting to school, but a few had some rough first days. Having packed and unpacked her bag in excited anticipation of school, Laura Peery made it through two days.

By the third day, disillusion set in. When parental urging, coaxing, and threats failed to work, Mrs. Scott said, "Laura, if I get any more notes from home, you don't get to buy ice cream." Those were the magic words for Laura.

Both Mrs. Becky Scott and Mrs. Iris Pruett agreed that classes are getting bigger. Mrs. Scott said children are rougher and more aggressive than they were when she began teaching and she believes TV influence may be the reason for children's behavior. She also said parents have become more involved with what goes on in school.

Kindergarten was very special because everyone achieved some measure of success each day.



Preschool play time results in building by Stevie Wolfe, Adrienne Cox, Ashley Davis, and Kimberly Harman.



Samantha Arney



Adrienne Cox



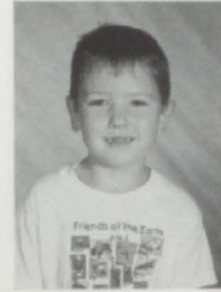
Andrew Dalton



Ashley Davis



Glen Ray Davis, Jr.



Joshua Dillow



Samantha Foglesong



John Goss



Zeke Harman



Kimberly Harman



Sondra Harman



Chelsea Havens



Erin Stiltner



Kendell Stuart



Savanna Tickle



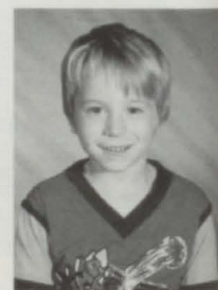
Damion Tolbert



Brandi Walker



Staci Walker



Stephen Wolfe

While her mother volunteers for field day, Brandi Walker plays.



During fire safety week the local volunteer fire department members presented a program to elementary students. Fire dog gets a big hug from Laura Peery.



Katie Bailey



John Brunk



Brandy Jo Cassell



Jessie Chisum



Randa Collins



Christopher Hounshell



Adam Hutchins



Jessica Joyce



Shaun Justice



Shane Kincaid



Billy Kistler



Amy McPeak



Ashley Peery



Laura Peery



Heather Rhodes



Debra Roope



Brandie Ann Shrader



Kendra Smith



Justin Webb



Jamie White

Jamie Clemons, son of Becky and Jim Clemons, visited the school to show off his Halloween costume.

Straight from the *Wizard of Oz* are Scarecrow Smokey Parmenter and Dorothy Leslie Kelley.



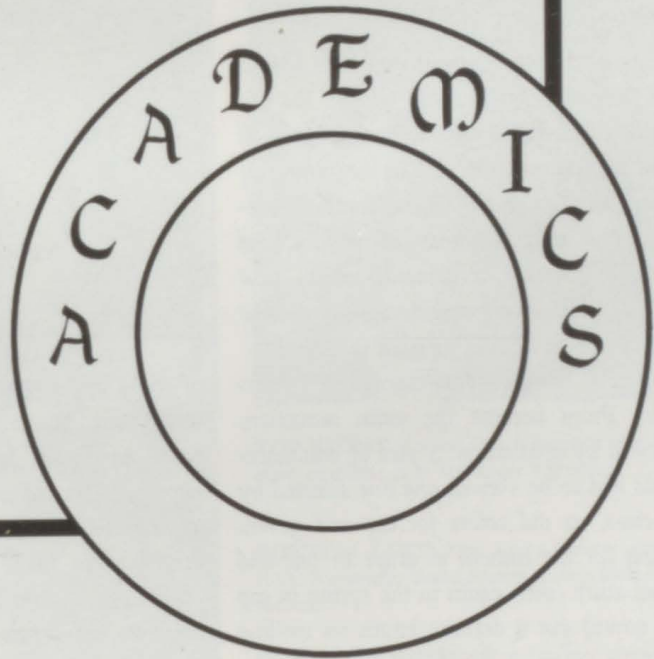
What more fitting statue for a cheese factory than a mouse!! Posing with him are Jennifer Walker and Stephanie Ferrari.

Florida vacationer, P. J. Meadows, relaxes in her motel room writing letters to home folks.





All work and no play may make Jack a dull boy, but either extreme was a definite negative. Balancing social life with study, students kicked in and settled down to hit the books.





ABOVE: Mrs. Marie Groseclose presents the DAR award to Kristie Dillow. Kristie was selected by faculty and classmates.



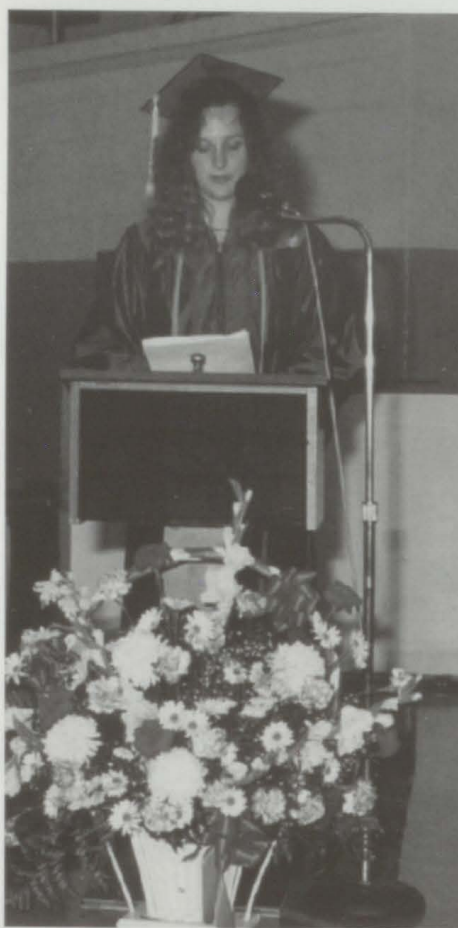
CENTER RIGHT: Wenona Scott gives the class history during graduation ceremonies on June 10, 1994.

The months of a senior year flew by

The months of the school year have passed by, some fast, some slow. Happy months filled with events and occurrences all began in August, 1993. The beginning of classes, the forming of clubs, football, basketball and baseball games, homework (and more homework), excitement, thrills, new loves and lost loves, ambitions, and dreams were all a part of starting back to school.

As the months progressed the Junior-Senior Prom became the main attraction, followed by graduation. Styles of announcements had to be viewed and one selected by the class, as did colors for cap and gown. Posing for the camera in drape or tux and casual attire (then again in the spring in cap and gown) put a definite strain on smiling lips!!

With many school days missed because

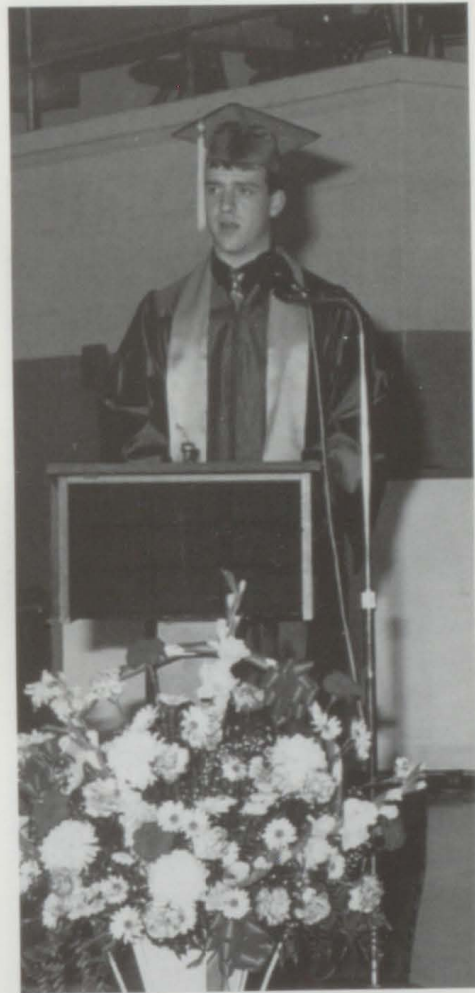


of snow and ice, the original dismissal date was pushed up to June 10. As the end of May approached feelings were mixed with apprehension and exhilaration and a little bit of sadness and nostalgia. The final days of school were filled with writing speeches, completing unfinished work, and making summer and future plans to stay in touch. For a few it also meant starting summer college classes.



Chris Tickle, valedictorian, delivers the farewell address for the seniors.

escort seniors from the gym following awards assembly.



TOP RIGHT: Rachael French accepts a yearbook co-editor certificate from Mr. Roger Thompson.

BOTTOM LEFT: Mrs. Kathy Havens presents a WCC Humanities/Social Studies savings bond to Amie Simms.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Aaron Faulkner gives the salutatorian speech.

Students honored for academic proficiency

Students excelling in secondary academics were honored on Thursday, June 9, 1994, at an awards assembly in the gymnasium. Medals and certificates were presented to those attaining the highest average in their classes. A number of recipients received medals in more than one area; they are Cheryl Winesett, Casey Johnston, Bobbi Hobbs, Keith Bourne, Robbie Morehead, Michael Kay Mabe, Jaime Newby, Missy Woods, Ryan Newberry, Debbie Munsey, Jeremy Dillow, Ashley Havens, Melissa Richardson, Amy Hanshew, Becky Penley. For the second year a Bland student received a Latin certificate for high marks on the National Latin Exam. Honorable mention went to Ryan Newberry in Latin I.

Other recognition was made to MACC

participants, band members, forensics participants, those involved in various sports, and yearbook members. Jason Groseclose, an 8th grader, was recognized as the school spelling bee champion.

During the assembly, which also served as a practice for senior graduation, seniors prophesied their futures, presented wills and senior gifts, and aired their school problems and complaints for the class. Wenona Scott gave the class history, Aaron Faulkner the salutatory address, and valedictorian, Chris Tickle, gave the farewell address.

U. S. History medals are awarded to Robbie Morehead, Jamie Kidd, and Donnie Havens by Mr. Richard Havens and Mr. Roger Thompson. Robbie also received a medal for English 11, recognition for MACC and state forensics.



ABOVE: Jamy Nunn accepts his second place medal for state competition in forensics prose reading.

RIGHT: Michael Mabe and Keith Bourne receive medals for Algebra II from Mr. Richard Havens. They also won medals in geometry, and Michael received additional medals in Latin II, P.E., Earth Science, and English 9.



BELOW: Earth Science award is presented to Benjamin Davis by Mr. Richard Havens.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Cheryl Winesett accepts a Biology I medal from Mr. Richard Havens. She also received an Office Systems award.



CENTER LEFT: Receiving World History awards are B. J. Crabtree, Casey Johnston, Keith Bourne from Mr. Richard Havens and Mr. Roger Thompson.

BOTTOM LEFT: Bobbi Hobbs accepts Biology II medal from Mr. Richard Havens. She also received a medal for Trig.



Hardwork and study afforded several BHS students the opportunity to receive Honors Letters and Bars. In order to receive a letter or bar, a student must have had a grade point average of 95 or above for the school year. (continued on next page)

TOP-Single bar honors: Cheryl Winesett and Melissa Richardson.

LEFT-Double bar honor: Robbie Morehead.

RIGHT-Letter honors-Front Row: Amy Hanshew, Michael Kay Mabe. **2nd Row:** Jennifer Winters, Leslie Kelley. **Back Row:** Keith Bourne, Jacob Scott, Jamie Dunn.



Academic excellence, a B H S tradition

(continued from previous page) This is an astounding accomplishment for all recognized.

Every year the Daughters of the American Revolution honors one senior class member for outstanding achievement in the areas of leadership, community service, academics, and extracurricular activities. This year's honoree was Robbie Morehead. Robbie has participated in all aspects of student life. He was a member of the Bland County Band, FBLA, Newspaper Staff, French Club, MACC Social Studies Team, Forensics Team, Yearbook Staff, and president of the

Senior Beta Club.

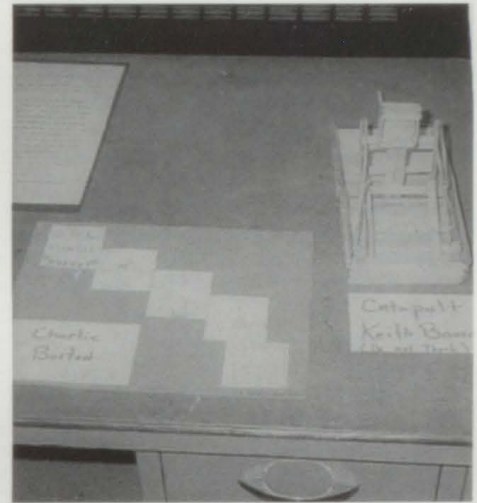
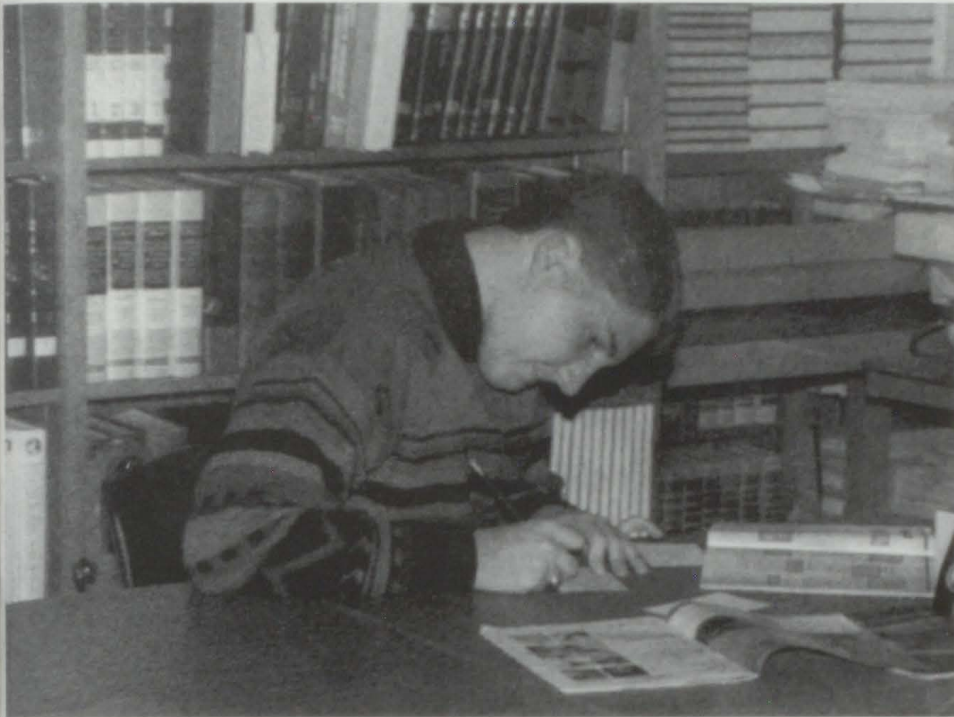
During his high school career, Robbie has also participated in sports. He played on both the 8th grade and JV basketball teams for a total of four years.

Morehead loves music and has performed for many community churches in his spare time. He has also played the national anthem solo for both varsity football and basketball games several times.

After graduation Morehead plans to attend college and major in law.

An Academic Enrichment Fair was held in the spring of 1994. The Fair was sponsored by the secondary gifted program. This was the third time students were encouraged to display the results of their talents. There were many science projects, art work, and other areas of interest on display in the secondary hall. A group of young men had formed a band and they presented the student body with a concert during the morning hours. All Fair participant's were treated to refreshments in the library during lunch.

TOP LEFT: DAR recipient, Robbie Morehead.
TOP RIGHT: Academic Enrichment Fair exhibits.
BOTTOM: Band members — Jeremy Reed, Brook Dillow, Jany Nunn, Kary Taylor, Justin Eaton. Not pictured, vocalist Aaron Faulkner.





TOP LEFT — MACC ENGLISH-Front Row:
 Cora Ramsey, Cindy King.
2nd Row: Stephanie Kelley, Sarah Bird.
Back Row: Mrs. Bekkie Peery.



CENTER — MACC SCIENCE-Front Row:
 Olena Sexton, Missy Woods, Casey Johnston, Melissa Richardson.
Back Row: Michael Fulford, Mr. John Wagoner, adviser.



BOTTOM — MACC ALL-AROUND TEAM-Front Row: Casey Johnston, Michael Fulford, Michael Kay Mabe, Jamie Kidd, Robbie Morehead, Mr. Al Smith, adviser.
Back Row: Sarah Bird, Jennifer Winters, Keith Bourne, John C. Thompson, Ryan Newberry, Michael Pruett.



TOP RIGHT — MACC SOCIAL STUDIES-Front Row: Jamie Kidd, Robbie Morehead.
2nd Row: Ryan Newberry, John Curtis Thompson, Josh Richardson.
Back Row: Adviser, Mr. Richard Havens, James Umbarger.



TOP CENTER: Math Match against Fort Chiswell finds both sides furiously working on problems in the time limit given. Timekeeper is Casey Johnston and Dr. Dave Foltz is MC. Judges (including our own Mr. Fred Beamer) are below stage. In this contest English won its first match in two years.



BOTTOM LEFT — MACC MATH-Front Row: Michael Kay Mabe, April Tickle.
2nd Row: Mrs. Kay Mabe, adviser.
3rd Row: Nathan Winters, Keith Bourne.
Back Row: Jason Groseclose, Heath Puckett

Seasoned players used to tension

Studying hard and getting correct answers led to successful matches in the Mountain Academic Competition Conference (MACC). The questions were tough and, with practices and matches falling at the same time as basketball and volleyball, students had a difficult time staying awake and concentrating.

First time players found nervousness an adverse factor, but the seasoned players had gotten used to the tension. The 1994 teams that went on to Stage Two of competition were the Math, Science, and Social Studies.

Exposure to learning

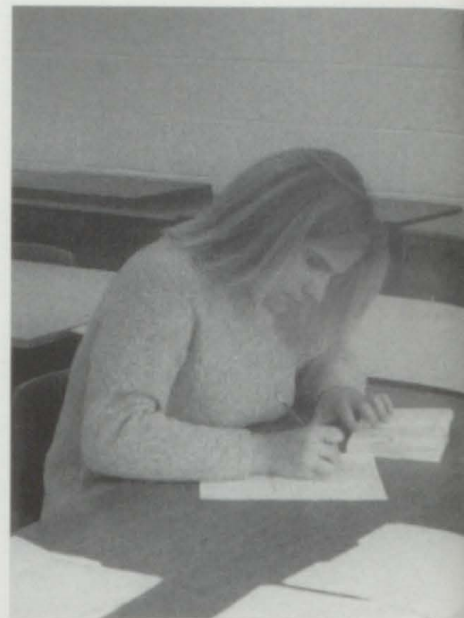
Students at Bland were exposed to three different languages. Mrs. Chris Bird, Ms. Janet Faulkner, and Mrs. Sandra Harman taught English in grades 8-12.

The second language students were exposed to was French. Mrs. Bekkie Peery taught for her second year at Bland and Rocky Gap and Mr. Darrel Burnett was added to the Bland High staff for three periods as a French I teacher.

The third language offered at Bland was Latin. For the first time Latin III was taught via satellite, along with Latin I and II, with

Mr. Matthew Kidd acting as facilitator.

Many different subjects were taught in the world of Social Studies. Mr. Richard Havens led the study and discussions on U.S. History and Mrs. Carolyn Bane taught our beginnings through World History. World Geography and a second section of World History were taught by Ms. LaMoore Muncy. The subjects of Civics, Sociology, Government, and Economics were conducted under the watchful eyes of Mrs. Deborah Whitt.

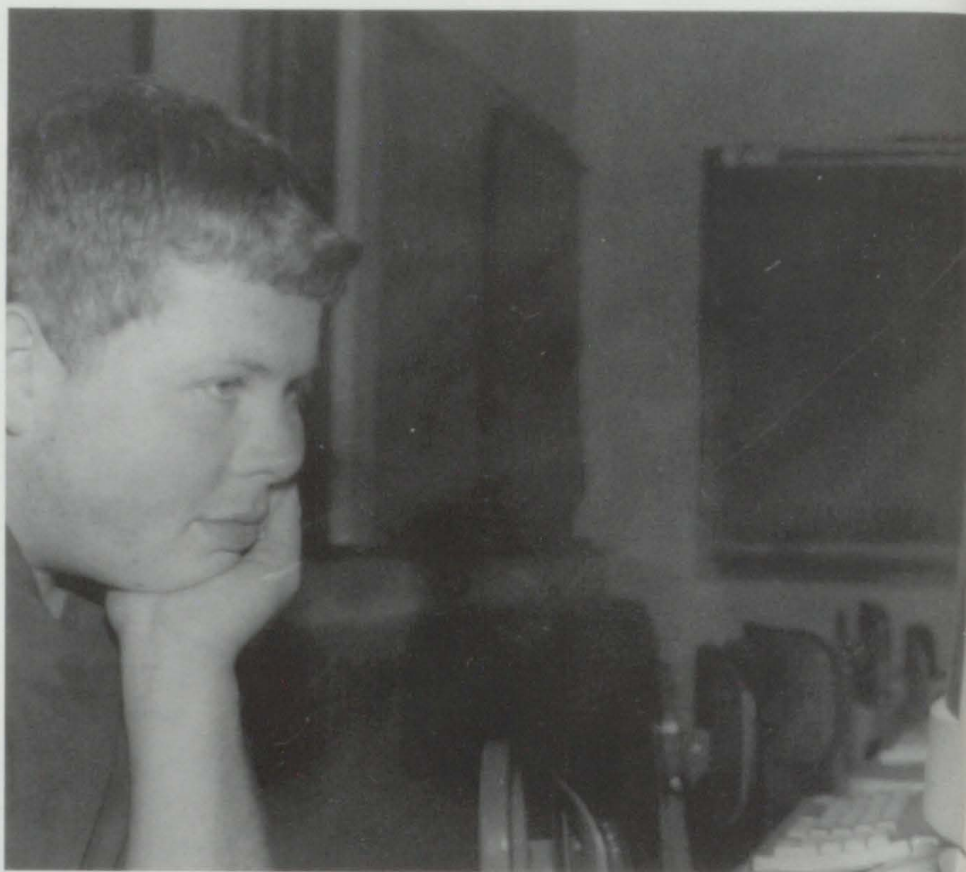


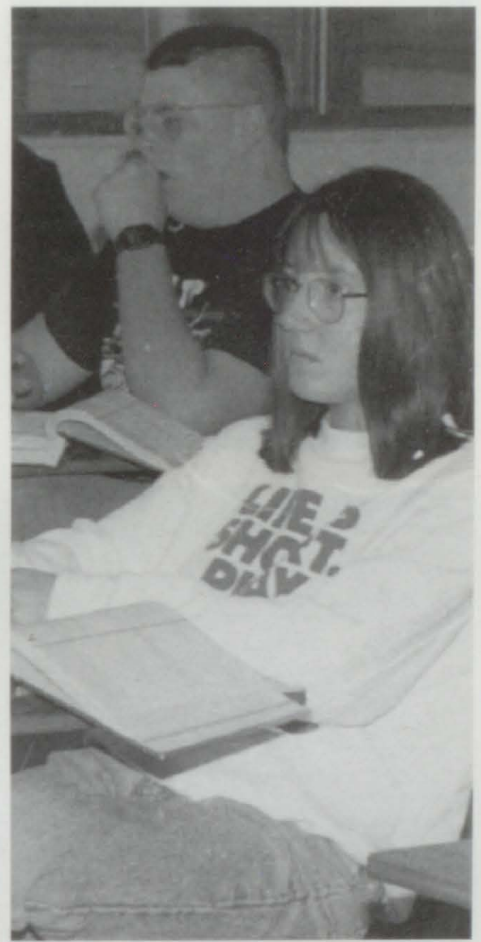
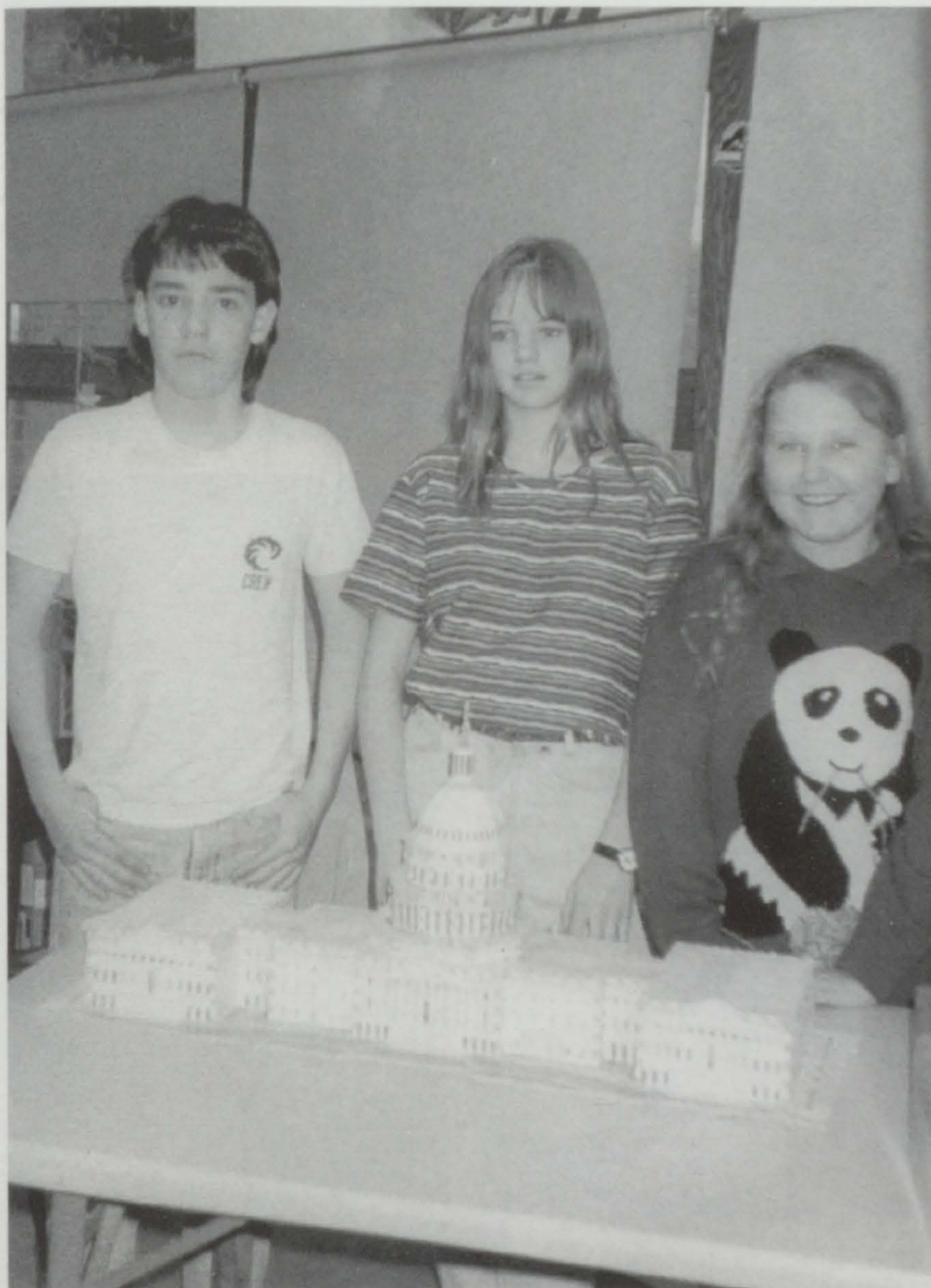
TOP: Pachess Umbarger translates French assignment.

CENTER LEFT: Mrs. Bekkie Peery assists Melanie Talert with French questions.

CENTER RIGHT: Mark Sarver spends a lot of time in front of the computer screen preparing assignments for English.

BOTTOM: A Latin III test captures the concentration of Sheri Blankenship, Cheryl Winesett, Leslie Kelley, Michael Kay Mabe.





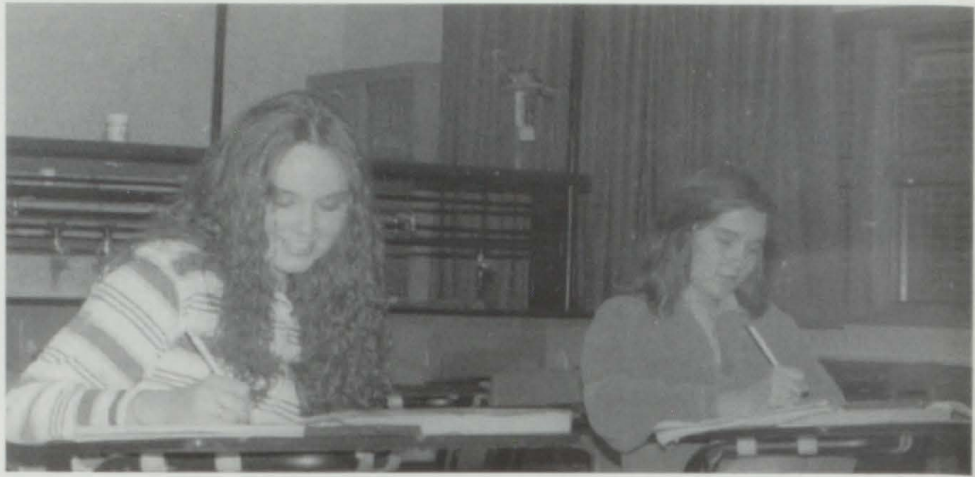
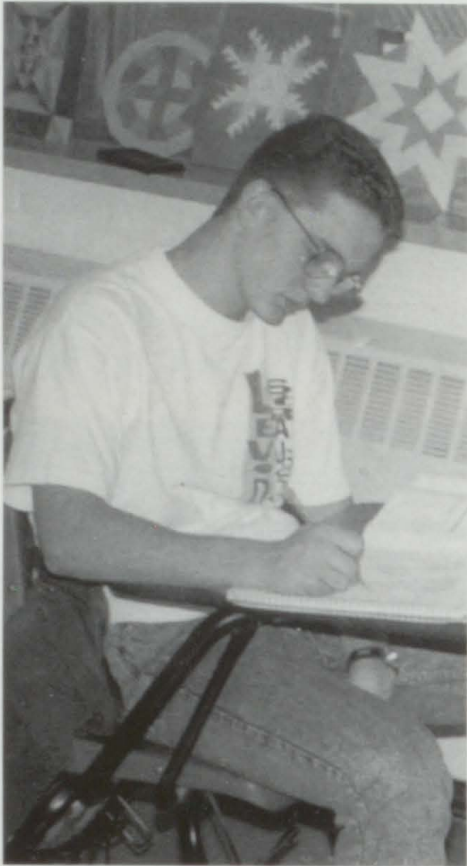
TOP: Eighth graders — Olena Sexton, Weston Patton, Jason Kidd, Will Blankenship, Kari Harner, Jeff Brunk, Ashleigh Sarver, Erin Johnson — give complete attention to the Civics lesson by Mrs. Deborah Whitt.

CENTER LEFT: Seventh graders pose with their completed Capitol Building puzzle, Joshiah Smith, Susan Stanley, Brett McPeak.

CENTER RIGHT: Michael Muncy and Lisa Owens give rupt attention to the US History lesson.

Jessica Turner and Bradley Hoosier work on a physics assignment.

Jason Stowers completes a trig problem. In the background are several quilt designs completed by Algebra and Geometry students.



CENTER: Jessica Taylor seems to find the task of frog dissecting less exciting than her partners, Jody Neel and Matthew Brunk.

BOTTOM LEFT: Chemistry labs certainly are not known for their glamour shots as attested to by Meagan Morehead, Tanya Ramsey.

Sheri Blankenship concentrates on her math problem while Jody Lambert and Mike Munsey converse.



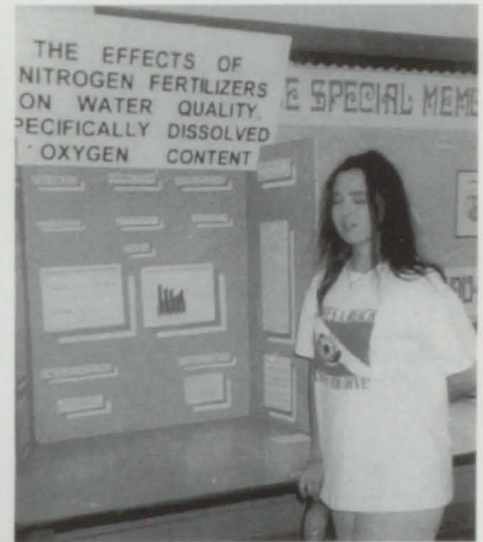
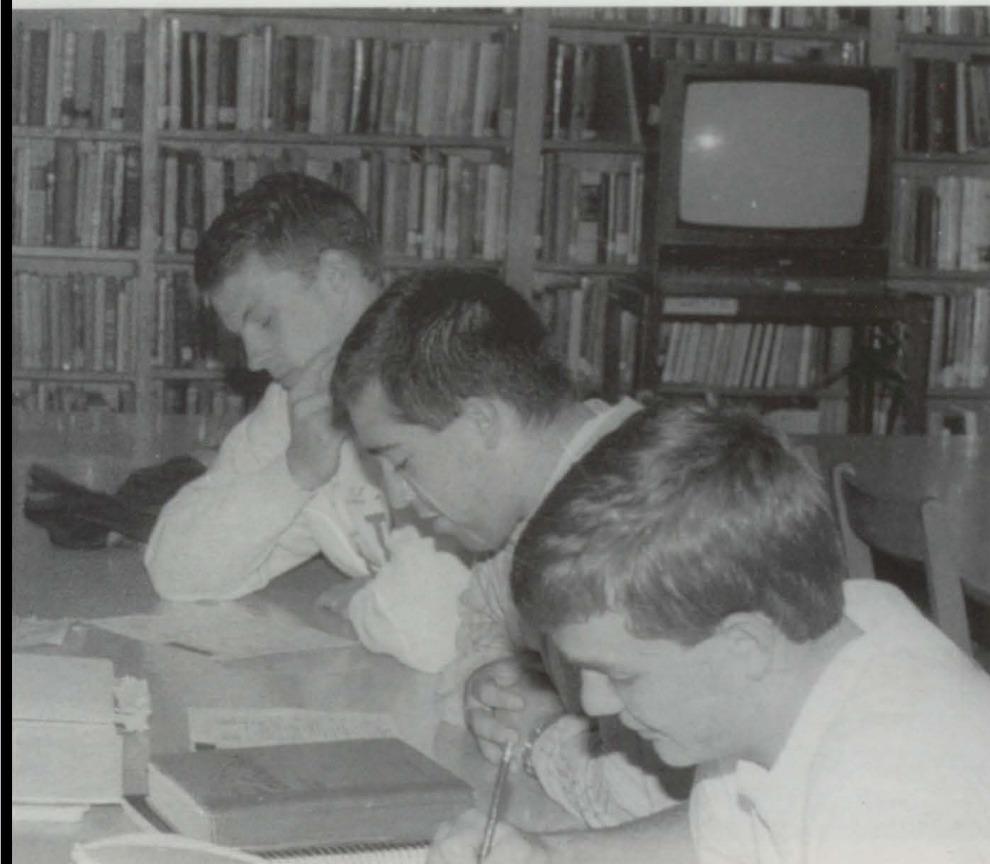
Mind-boggling problems were the norm for math/science

“Calculate the distance of a yodeler from a canyon wall if his echo is heard three seconds after the emission of sound from his mouth.” Mind-boggling problems such as this were the norm as math and science classes all over school challenged young Bland minds. These challenges came from instructors John Wagoner, Al Smith, Kay Mabe, Tommy Bird, Rich Hankins, and Sandra Harman.

When asked how to describe Calculus, Allen Brown and Bobbi Hobbs said, “Uh, you can’t put that in the yearbook!”

Jason Kidd only had one thing to say about dissection in Biology, “It stinks.”

Whatever their personal opinions, everyone learned environmental facts and figures, and how to use this knowledge to improve their world.



ABOVE: Joanie Lambert explains her project for the Academic Enrichment Fair held in the spring of 1994.

BOTTOM: Ms. Newberry’s pet peeve or her “thorn in the flesh” first period study hall students as they studied Calculus and English—every day and always together at the same table!!! Bobbi Hobbs, Allen Brown, James McAfee, Monty Matthews, Bradley Gordon.

Preparing for the world of work in electives

Most students choose at least one elective class from the vocational area of studies. These consist of business, agriculture, life skills (homemaking) and ICT (Industrial Cooperative Training). Each of these areas prepared students for the working world as well as for daily living.

Agriculture, in conjunction with FFA, not only helped students learn farming and shop practices, but they were exposed to judging livestock and public speaking. Life Skills assisted students in areas of banking, comparative shopping and insurance selection in addition to regular homemaking skills. By learning keyboarding and computer skills, business students could go into a job or continue higher education.

TOP: Using their new tobacco baler are Mr. Bill Crabtree, Joe Repass, Jason Kidd, Chris Clemons.

LEFT: Jeremy Reed strips tobacco for the baler.

RIGHT: Andy Bruce working at the Tire Outlet.

Earn while you learn could have been a motto for ICT students. They worked locally after school in automotive, restaurant, nursing care, and farming areas. Learning job

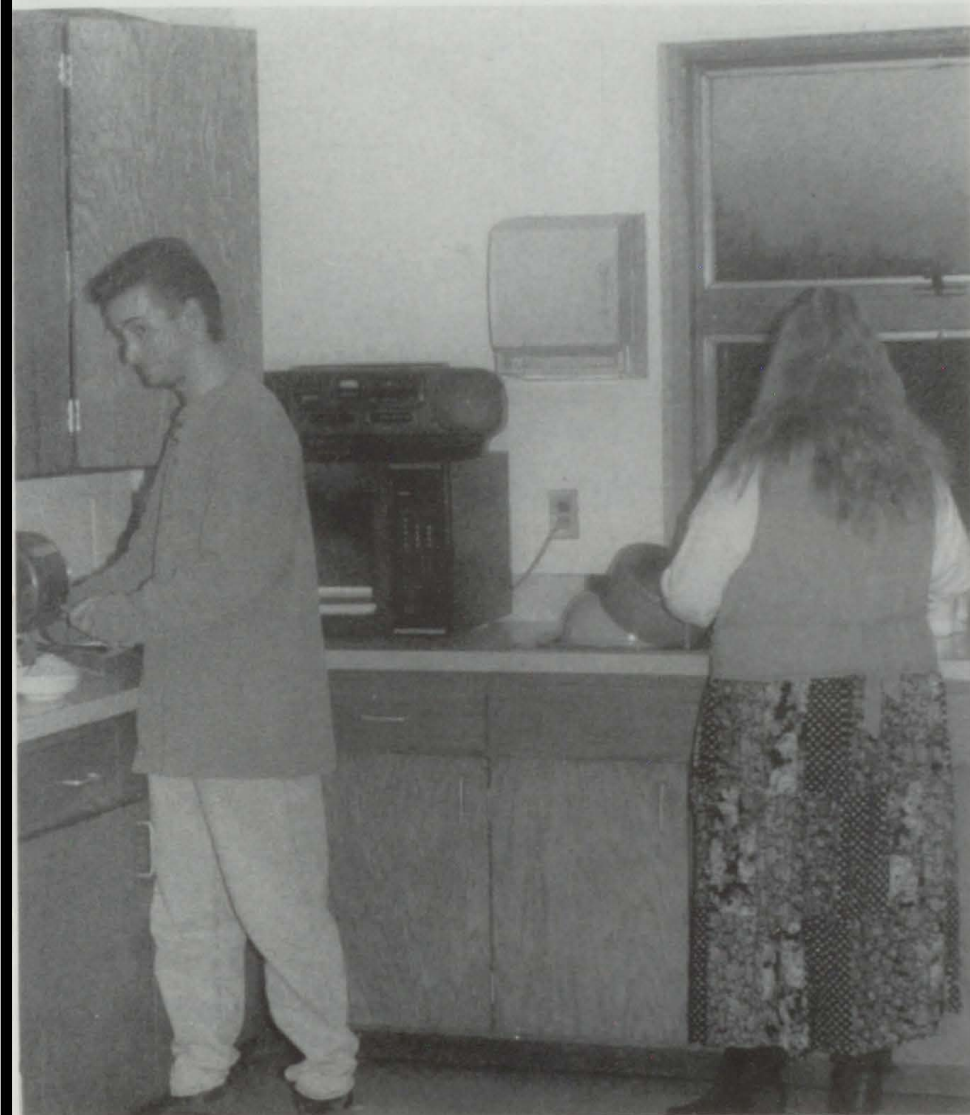
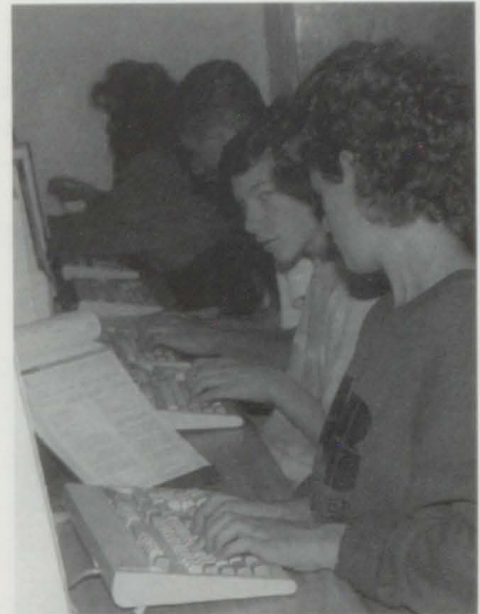
application skills and completing tax forms were part of their agenda.





TOP LEFT: James Umbarger carries out instructions to Mrs. Jessie Kegley in computer programming on how to make a peanut butter sandwich!

TOP RIGHT: Getting proficient in keyboarding are Debbie Munsey, Wesley Strock, Michael Pruett, Nikki Elliott.



BOTTOM LEFT: Freddie Payne and Missy French in Life Skills meal preparation.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Jimmy Pike in clean-up duty at Dunn Motors.

A favorite class provided a rigorous year

Probably the favorite class of most students, physical education was always buzzing. Miss LaMoore Muncy, Mr. Rich Hankins, and Mrs. Patty Hankins shared the department and led students through a ri-

orous year. With games of Warball, Kickball, Tennis, Gym hockey, volleyball, and aerobics every student in grades K-10 participated in the required class.



TOP RIGHT: Jason Groseclose really gets into the 'kick' of things.

TOP LEFT: Angela Blankenship makes rope jumping look easy and fun.

CENTER: Mrs. Barton's 2nd grade boys make good use of the playground.

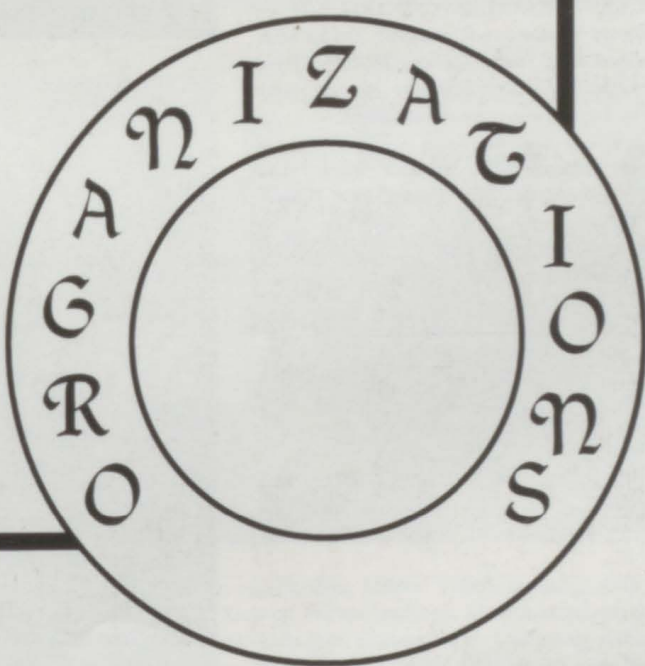


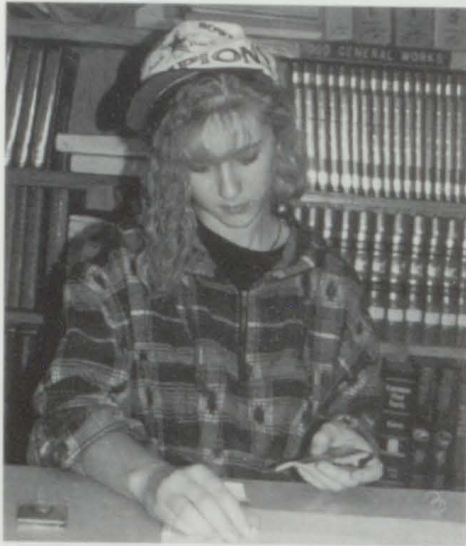
Kickball gets a workout from Casie Pruett, Tina Pauley, JonMichael Newberry, Paul Lindamood, Sharon Shewey.

Clubs carry out traditions



Hey! Join the club! Echoes through the hall of, "Hey! what meets today?" will long be remembered. Also recalled will be the words, fun, and recognition received through participation in the many clubs.





ABOVE: Hat day during football homecoming week finds Cynði McGrady tagging pictures for yearbook pages.

CENTER — BLAND 4-H — Front Row: Anita Sage, president; Charlotte Nunn, vice-president; Pachess Umberger, secretary; Olena Sexton, treasurer.

2nd Row: Cheryl Brunk, Debbie Munsey, Kelli King, Erin Thompson, Jamie Kidd, Amy Hanshew.

3rd Row: Katie Muncy, Kari Hamer, Cicely Havens, Rae Romano, Sarah Bird.

Back Row: Casey Johnston, Cindy King, James Umberger, Smokey Parmenter, Mike Munsey, Ashley Havens.

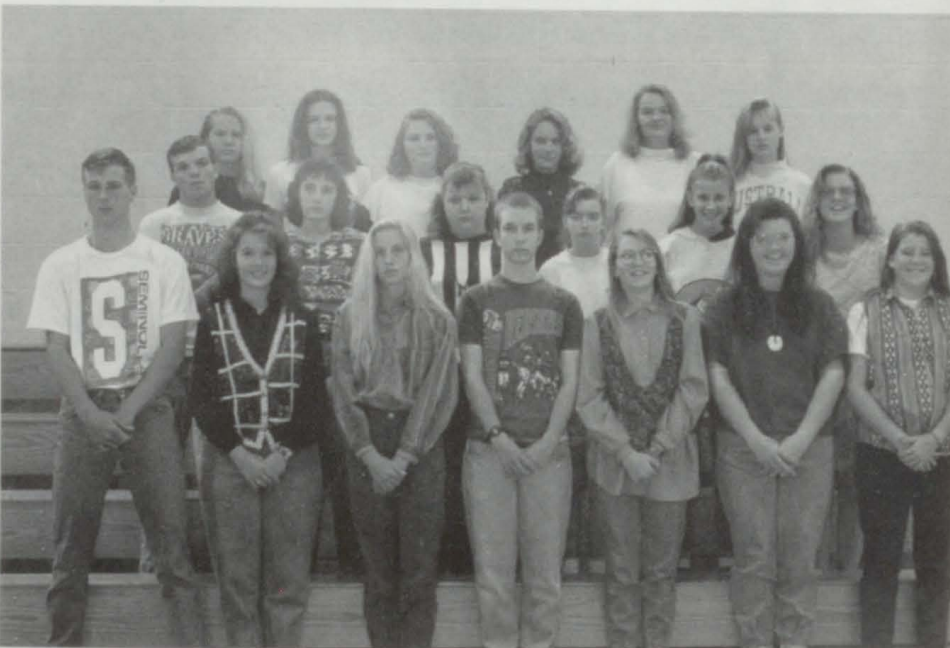
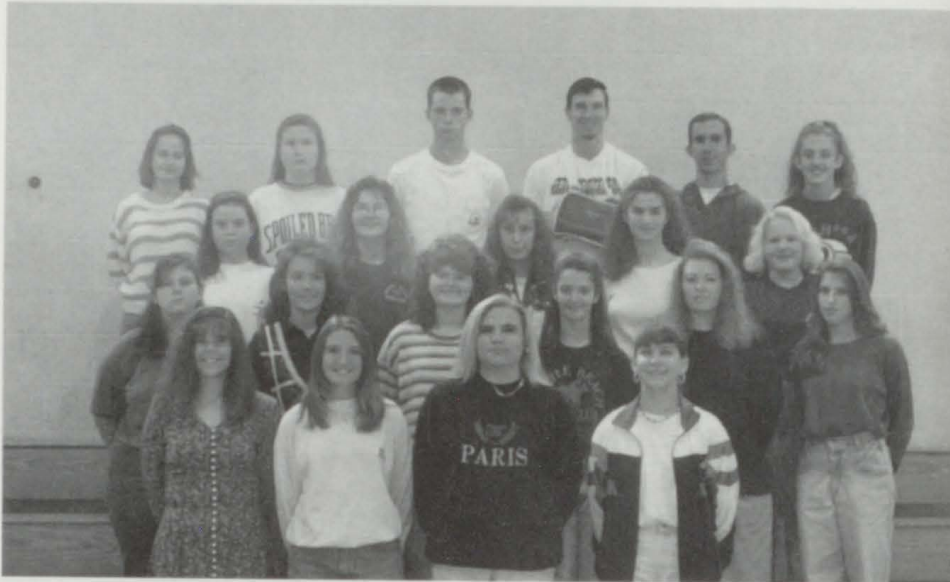
BOTTOM — MECHANICSBURG 4-H —

Front Row: Wesley Strock, president; Debbie Munsey, vice-president; Leslie Gordon, secretary; Ryan Newberry, treasurer; Sondra Wolfe, reporter; Jamie MacMillan, Faye Wolfe, recreational leaders.

2nd Row: Bradley Gordon, Stephanie Kelley, Joanne Brunsey, April Nelson, Kelly Woods, Missy Woods.

Back Row: Stacey Miller, Leslie Carroll, Sarah King, Stephanie Ferrari, Jessica Crawford, Sandra Melvin.

YEARBOOK STAFF—Front Row: Meagan Morehead, editor; Cynði McGrady, business manager; Robt Morehead, Justin Eaton, Tanya Ramsey, Cora Ramsey
Back Row: Joanne Brunsey, ryan Newberry, Ashley Havens, Michael Kay Mabe, Debbie Munsey, Elizabeth Newberry, adviser.



Clubs carry out traditional roles

Echoes of "Get that copy in!" and "finish your layouts!" were heard almost daily until March as the '94-'95 yearbook was produced. The yearbook staff toiled and labored at after school meetings, and seniors with study halls worked overtime to get the annual completed on time. A smaller staff

Perusing a magazine in French class, Anita Sage pauses to hear a classmate's comment.

than usual made the work load much heavier, but everyone united to get the job done.

With several trips, 4-H had a busier than usual year. Interstate exchanges with 4-H students from Florida and Oklahoma broadened horizons and enlightened young minds. Trips to the West Virginia State Fair and many meetings, projects, and community services kept 4-Hers on the go.

French Club, sponsored by Rebecca Peery, took an annual trip to the Biltmore Estates in Asheville, North Carolina. A long, tiring bus ride exhausted students, but most agreed it was well worth it. Seeing such tourist attractions as the Vanderbilt house and Napoleon's chess table made the trip exciting and educational.

The French trip to Charlotte race track in March, '94, finds Jamie Kidd, Meagan Morehead, Robbie Morehead in various stages of "interest" on the bus.



FRENCH CLUB — **Front Row:** Mrs. Bekkie Peery, adviser; Bradley Hoosier, president; Cora Ramsey, vice-president; Melanie Talbert, secretary; Amy Hanshew, treasurer; Rae Romano, reporter. **2nd Row:** Sarah Bird, Misty Wiley, Jaime Newby, Erin Thompson, Tanya Ramsey, Pachess Umberger, Meagan Morehead, Sarah King, Leisa Hagy, Sarah Smith, Heather Stilner, Jennifer Walker. **3rd Row:** Bobbi Hobbs, Casey Johnston, Bradley Tate, Anita Sage, Shannon Enoch, Cindy Berg, Ashley Havens, Debbie Munsey, Anita French, Meagan Shewey, Nikki Howell. **Back Row:** Brian Waddie, Donnie Havens, Jason Stowers, David Lambert, Mike Munsey, Sam Tickle, Allen Brown, Robbie Morehead, Wesley Strock, Cindy King, Crystal Hall.

FHA — Front Row: Cora Ramsey, president; Pachess Umbarger, 1st vice-president; Shannon Enoch, 2nd vice-president; Smokey Parmenter, secretary; Amy Hanshew, treasurer; Anita French, chaplain; Melanie Talbert, reporter; Stacey Miller, Tanya Ramsey, recreation leaders; Amanda Umbarger, Meagan Morehead sargeants-at-arms.
2nd Row: Tracy Alford, Nikki Howell, Sarah Smith, Cyndi McGrady, Anita Sage, Cindy Berg, Stephanie Ferrarri, P.J. Meadows, Linda Prater, Jamie Goss, Becky Penley, Joanne Brunsey, Mrs. Sylvia Williams, adviser.
3rd Row: Leisa Hagy, Kari Harner, Cicely Havens, Allison Sheets, Casie Pruitt, Cheryl Brunk, Ashley Havens, Sue Ann Sparks, Chrissy Ramsey, Jaime Newby, Freddie Payne, Billy Davis.
Back Row: Karen Havens, Jessica Crawford, Jessica Umbarger, Jamie McMillan, Faye Wolfe, Missy Woods, Sondra Wolfe, Katie Muncy, Nikki Elliott, Missy French, Chris Berg.



Linda Prater fills balloons with helium for Secret Admirer's Day (February 14).



Jaime Newby and Karen Havens complete the final stages after Mrs. Sylvia Williams and Linda Prater fill the balloons for Secret Admirer's Day.

Hardwork: always a winner

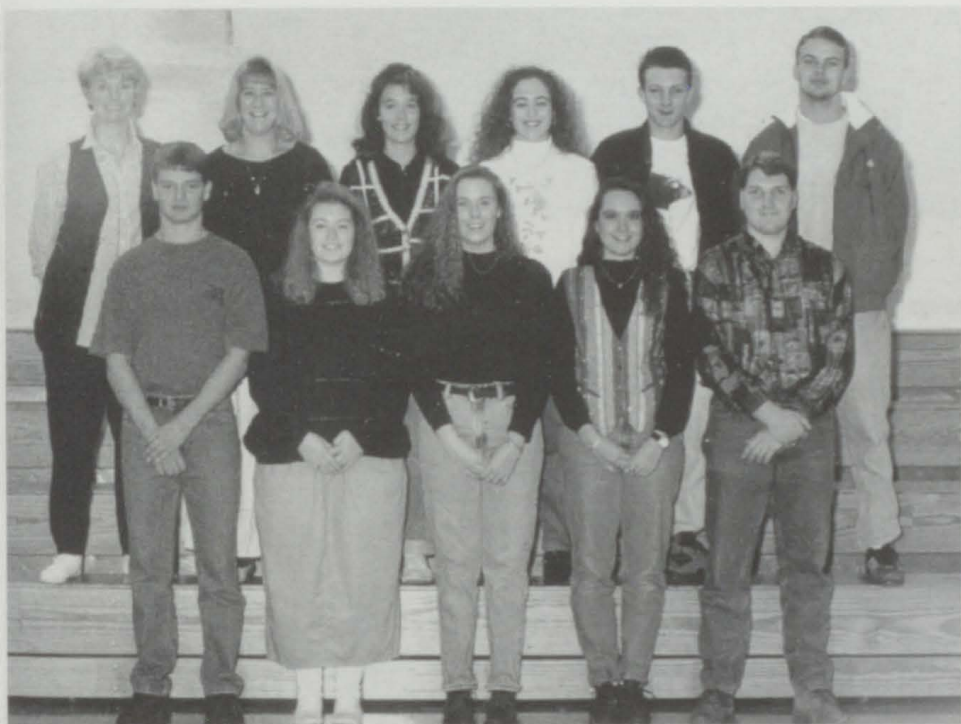
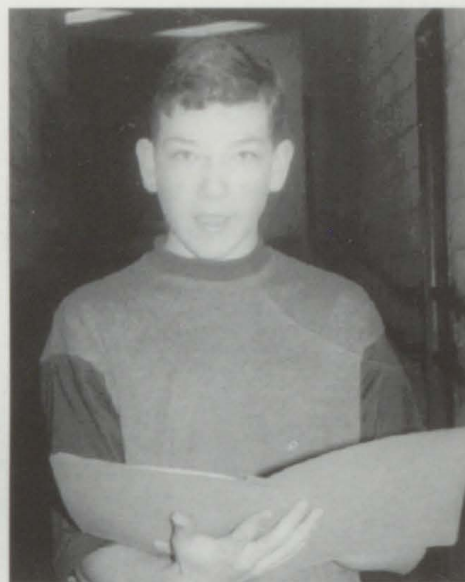
Working with activities such as Secret Admirer's Day and Vision Screening for the entire student body kept FHA members very busy in 1994-95. With hard work and determination the FHA pulled off the projects without any problem and had fun doing so. Therefore, 1995 must be marked as a success for the Future Homemakers of

America.

Several days off from school due to inclement weather at the first of February put the Forensics team greatly off schedule. With the competition date of February 22 drawing near, every spare minute was spent perfecting speeches, readings, or vocabulary.

The 1994 team had two members, Rob-

bie Morehead and Jamie Nunn, who won big at the regional level and went on to compete at the state championships in Charlottesville. With hard work, hope, and determination, the Bland High Forensics team made 1995 one of their best seasons.



TOP: Melissa Richardson and Robbie Morehead study the news magazines for their speeches.



TOP: Michael Pruet practices his poetry reading.

BOTTOM-FORENSICS TEAM — Front Row: Justin Eaton, Jamie Kidd, Bobbi Hobbs, Jessica Turner, Robbie Morehead

Back Row: Adviser-Mrs. Christine Bird, B. J. Crabtree, Debbie Munsey, Leslie Kelley, Jamy Nunn, James McAfee. Not pictured Michael Kay Mabe and Michael Pruet.

BOTTOM: Michael Kay Mabe puts lots of expression and intonation into her prose reading.

TOP RIGHT: Mr. Bill Crabtree, acting auctioneer for the slave auction, tests the muscles of this would-be slave. Bidders usually ask the males to do pushups. All sales money goes to the Senior Beta Club.

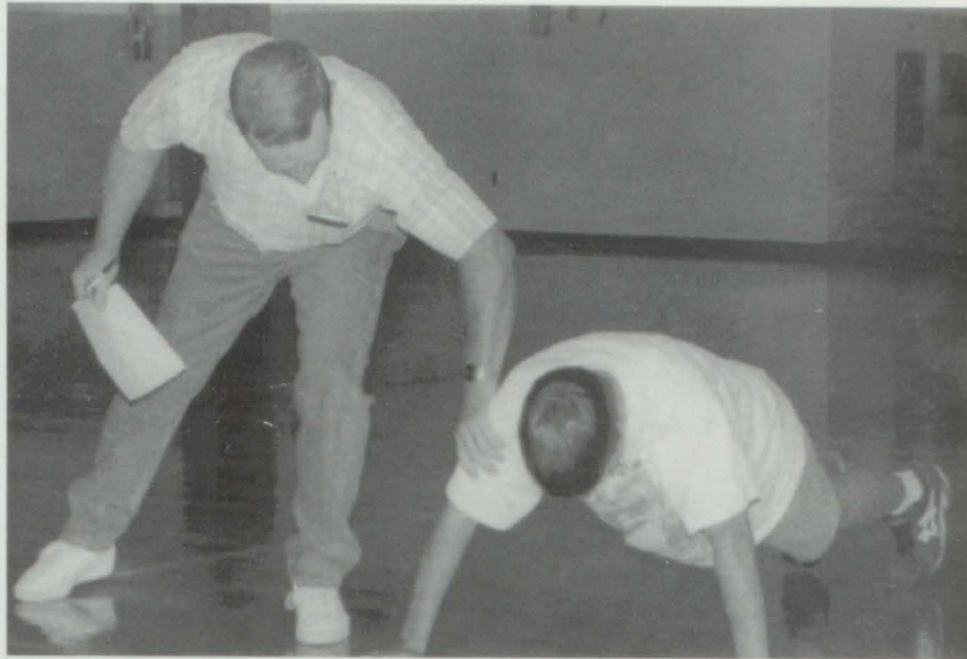
CENTER — SENIOR BETA MEMBERS-

Front Row: Robbie Morehead, president; Sheri Blankenship, vice-president; Cora Ramsey, secretary; Bradley Tate, treasurer; Jessica Turner, Bradley Hoosier, Bobbi Hobbs, Meagan Morehead, Jamie Kidd.

2nd Row: Holly Pauley, Amy Hanshew, Cheryl Winesett, Jaime Newby, Misty Wiley, Cindy King, Leslie Kelley, Tanya Ramsey, Cindy Berg, Becky Penley, Ms. Janet Faulkner, adviser.

3rd Row: Rae Romano, Jamie Goss, Jamie Dunn, John Curtis Thompson, Derrick DeHart, Keith Bourne, Donnie Havens, Monty Matthews, Michael Pruett, Michael Kay Mabe, Pachess Umbarger.

Back Row: Smokey Parmenter, Sam Tickle, Mike Munsey, Jacob Scott, Jason Stowers, Wesley Strook, Jody Lambert, Michael Muncy, Jennifer Winters, Casey Johnston, Mary Jane Chewning.



Beta president, Robbie Morehead, explains sale procedures.



Senior Betas tap eligible students for Beta admission.

1995: Another banner year

Yet another successful year was completed by the Bland High School Senior Beta Club in 1995. The club, under the leadership of President Robbie Morehead, was very proud to have the state sponsor, Janet Faulkner, as their very own sponsor. This National Honor Society was begun at Bland in 1958 through the tutelage of Elizabeth Newberry and later passed to Claude Stowers. Upon Mr. Stowers' retirement these duties became the responsibility of Mrs. Faulkner.

One of the many service projects undertaken by the club was to present gifts of fruit to a nearby nursing home.

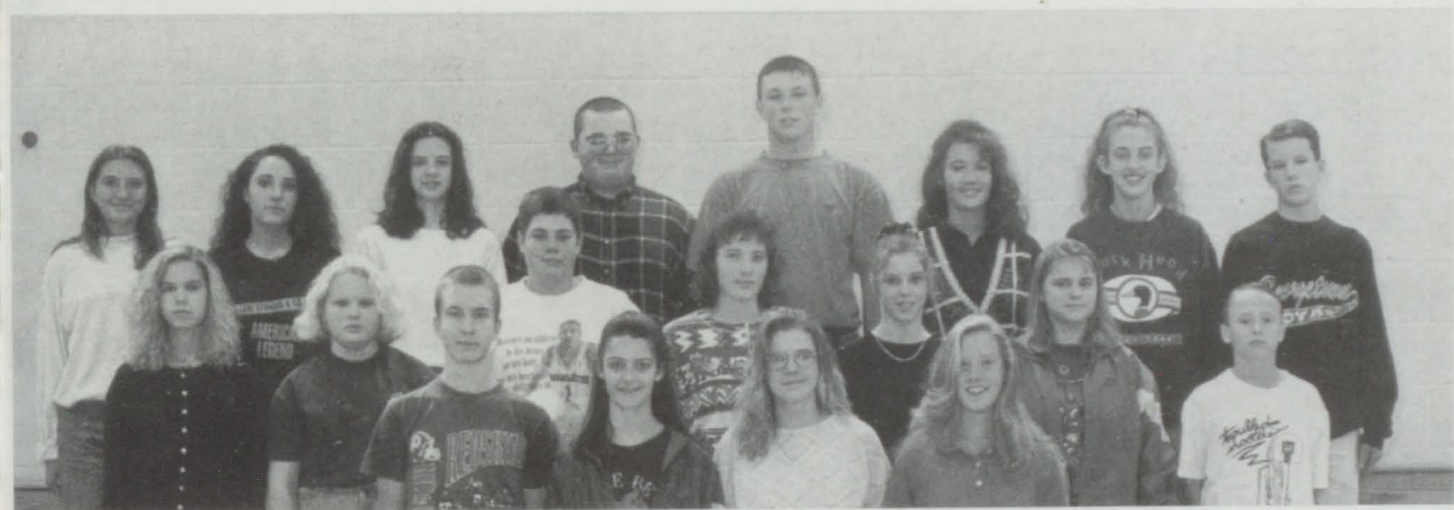
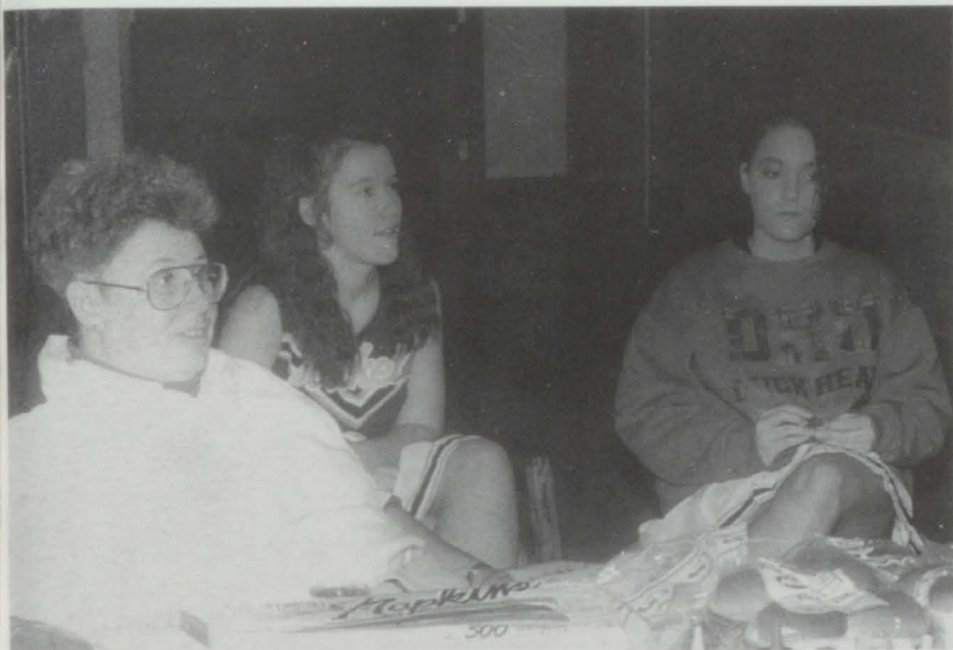
The club diligently raised enough money to pay for a trip to the State convention in Roanoke, VA. A booth at the Bland County Fair, fruit sales, and the annual Beta Club slave auction were all parts of an ongoing fund raiser.

A review of the Senior Beta Club's 1995 year wouldn't be complete without a congratulations on their award winning scrap-

book which took 1st place in the nation at the 1994 National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee.

Members of the Junior Beta Club worked strenuously to maintain their grade point average so they could advance to membership in the Senior Beta Club next year. Their adviser was Miss Teena Morefield, and their main project for the year was a joint concession with the SCA.

Debbie Munsey and Ashley Havens take concession orders.



JUNIOR BETA MEMBERS-Front Row: Ryan Newberry, president; Erin Thompson, vice-president; Missy Woods, secretary; Kelly Dunn, treasurer.
2nd Row: Sarah Smith, Sarah Bird, Jeremy Dillow, Stephanie Kelley, Heather Stiltner, Whitney Gamble, Adam Faulkner.
Back Row: Charlotte Nunn, Brooke Kitts, Leslie Carroll, Jim Bob Penley, Jason Groseclose, Debbie Munsey, Ashley Havens, Eric Reed.

TOP LEFT: Adviser Miss Teena Morefield, Debbie Munsey, Brooke Kitts, are ready for concession business.

Mother Nature knits clubs together

The FFA and Shutterbug Clubs both dealt directly with nature. However, the way in which they dealt with it was sometimes uncomplimentary to one another. For example, picture a big oak tree standing high in a field of green grass. The nature-loving

shutterbug member would exclaim, "my, what a beautiful tree," as they quickly snapped picture after picture. The FFA member, however, would approach the tree with just as much awe, and cry out, "this'll make

a great gun cabinet!" Despite their varying viewpoints of Mother Nature, both clubs contained hardworking and dedicated members willing to work for their club, be it by chopping tobacco or by taking a picture of it

TOP RIGHT: Leadership conference at Blacksburg for first and second year members.

CENTER-FFA THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH YEAR MEMBERS - Front Row: B. J. Crabtree, president; Todd Morehead, vice-president; Jim Bob Penley, secretary; Jason Hancock, treasurer; Eric Miller, reporter; Jason Kidd, sargeant-at-arms.

2nd Row: Eric Reed, Andy Bruce, Jody Neel, Jeremy Blankenship, Eric Wimmer, Chris Clemons, Matthew Brunk.

Back Row: Adviser, Bill Crabtree, Charlie Corder, Joe Repass, Sammy Blankenship, Shannon Havens, Smokey Parmenter, Brock Justice, Brandon Sink.



BOTTOM-FFA FIRST AND SECOND YEAR MEMBERS - Front Row: Ricky Sarver, Jesse Goss, T. J. Thompson Patton, Billy Floyd, Titus Ramsey, Nehemiah Hickman.

2nd Row: Josh Breedlove, David Olinger, D.J. Belcher, Brook Dillow, Daniel Thompson, Ronnie Wolfe, Jeff Brunk.

3rd Row: John Kelly Thompson, Jon Michael Newberry, Jeremiah Tate, Joshua Lester, Will Blankenship, Kris Blankenship, Billy Davis.

Back Row: Adviser, Bill Crabtree, David Neal, Isaac Tyeryar, Jim Bob Penley, Josie MacMillan, Clinton Hagy, Jany Nunn.





TOP: On what should have been a sunny day for the Shutterbug's trip to Pipestem Park in West Virginia, May 27 turned out to be a cold dreary day. Cyndi McGrady, Shannon Enoch, Anita Sage, Justin Eaton, Melanie Talbert, Meagan Morehead, Tanya Ramsey, Billy Davis.

CENTER LEFT: Anita Sage tempts fate on the rocky edge of the Bluestone River.

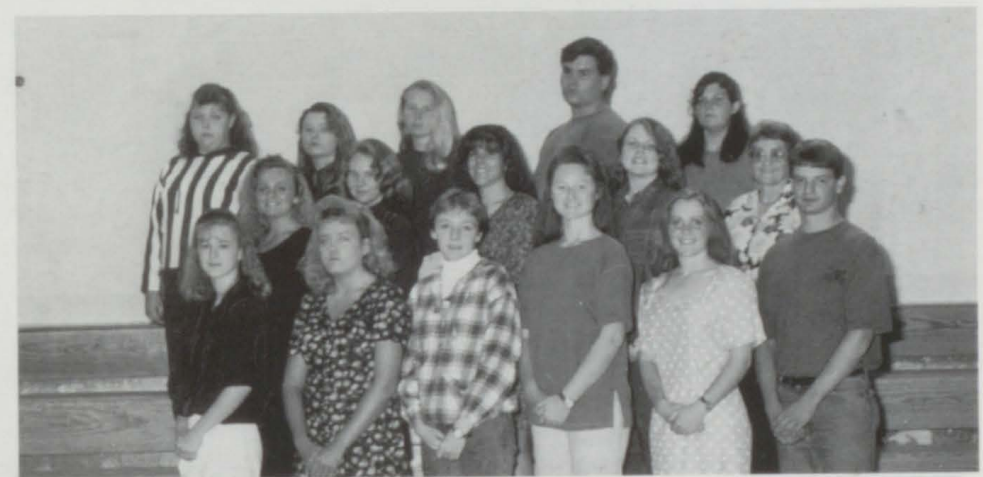


TOP CENTER: Locked tightly in the tram car, Anita, Shannon, Melanie, and Cyndi start the long ascent back to the top of the gorge.

CENTER RIGHT: Members enjoyed a leisurely excellent breakfast at Shatley Springs, NC, during a fall trip.



BOTTOM CENTER PAGE: After riding the tram cars down to the river, members discovered a playground. Justin Eaton, Meagan Morehead, John Wagoner, Tanya Ramsey.

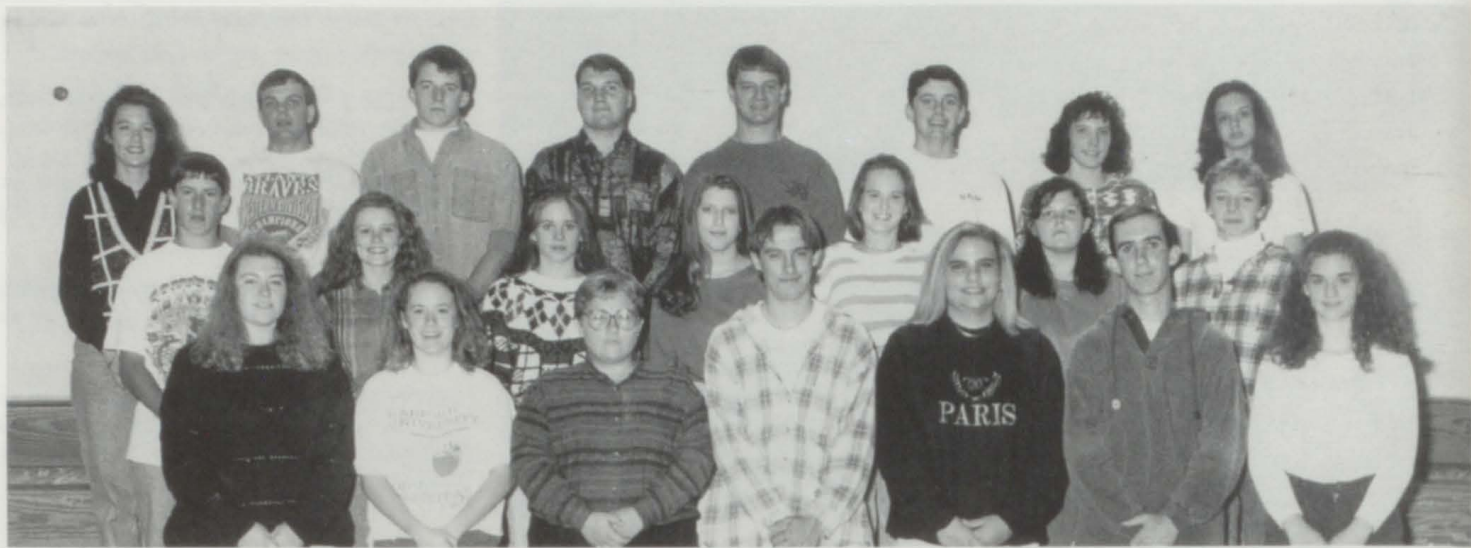


SHUTTERBUGS — PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB — Front Row: Cyndi McGrady, president; Anita French, vice-president; Shannon Enoch, secretary; Melanie Talbert, treasurer; Meagan Morehead, Justin Eaton.

2nd Row: Cora Ramsey, Stephanie Ferrari, Anita Sage, Tanya Ramsey, Ms. Elizabeth Newberry, adviser.

Back Row: Joanne Brumsey, Nikki Howell, Stacey Miller, Billy Davis, Cheryl Brunk. Not pictured adviser John Wagoner.

FLBA — Front Row: Jamie Kidd, president; Sheri Blankenship, vice-president; Becky Penley, secretary; Sam Tickle, treasurer; Pachess Umbarger, reporter; Mike Munsey, historian; Rae Romano, parliamentarian. **2nd Row:** Jamie Dunn, Michael Kay Mabe, Cheryl Winesett, Amy Hanshew, Casey Johnston, Cheryl Brunk, Shannon Enoch. **Back Row:** Debbie Munsey, Bradley Gordon, Jacob Scott, Robbie Morehead, Justin Eaton, John C. Thompson, Stephanie Kelley, Leslie Carroll. Not pictured: Mrs. Jessie Kegley, advisor.



CENTER LEFT: Sam Tickle and Justin Eaton work at the county playground as an FBLA service project.
CENTER RIGHT: Sarah Brackens confers with FBLA president, Jamie Kidd on the agenda when she speaks to the club on entrepreneurship.
BOTTOM: Rae Romano and Pachess Umbarger clean and repair picnic tables for the FBLA service project.

Groups work toward advancement

Since 1980 when Bland's FBLA chapter began, the club has received a Gold Seal, designating them as an honor chapter. Led by Jamie Kidd as president, FBLA'ers were constantly at work on projects and planning.

As a community project, members cleaned up the park grounds and renovated equipment. Local businesses donated paint and other items to assist the club. Project ASK (for childhood cancer research) once again

was an important item on their agenda.

Compiling manuals and a scrapbook led members to New River Community College on March 24 for regional competition and from there to Roanoke on April 21 to the state convention.

In addition to regular school work and extra-curricular activities, Upward Bound students gave up two Saturdays per month and six weeks for training in the summer to

increase their chances of success. They met during school time twice monthly with Laurie Thompson to discuss and plan their futures as well as to seek solutions to problems they had encountered.

A trip to Charleston, SC, in April, 1994, was a big plus. There, they were exposed to a city teeming with sites and sounds of history.



UPWARD BOUND — **Front Row:** Lisa Owens, Anita French, Olena Sexton. **2nd Row:** Becky Penley, Pachess Umbarger, Jamie Goss, Shannon Enoch. **BACK ROW:** Jim Bob Penley, Jamie Kidd, James Umbarger, Melanie Talbert, Stella Riggs. Not pictured: April Tickle, Amie Goss, Melissa Richardson.

TOP: The luggage rack seemed a good place to get away from it all for April Tickle on the Upward Bound trip to Charleston, SC.

BOTTOM: Upward Bound students enjoyed a tour of a big ship at Charleston, SC.

TOP — HIGH SCHOOL BAND WITH TROPHIES

Front Row: Erin Thompson, Mandy Blankenship, Casey Johnston, Renee Gross, Stephanie Kelley, Leslie Carroll, Ashleigh Sarver, Charlotte Nunn, Katie Muncy.

2nd Row: Billy Davis, Kent McPeak, B. J. Crabtree, Brook Dillow, Jennifer Winters, Chad Brewer, Jany Nunn.

Back Row: Michael Muncy, Justin Eaton, Robbie Morehead, Christa Winesett, Nathan Winters, John C. Thompson, Andrew Schoeneman.



TOP CENTER — INTERMEDIATE BAND

Front Row: Kelly Sluss, Heather Morehead, Crystal Hancock, Eisle Havens, Kristen Songer, Samantha Bird.

2nd Row: Shane Thompson, Benjamin May, Crystal Stiltner, Nathan Justus.

Back Row: Virginia Presley, Charlie Stiltner, Curtis Brewer, Zachary Pauley.



BOTTOM CENTER — BEGINNING BAND

Front Row: Amanda Scott, Brandon Anders, Bryan Simms, Amanda Fisher, Reed, Chase Thomas.

2nd Row: Amanda Scott, Amanda Fisher, Andy Sarver, Amber Hutchins, Denita Harden, John Clemons.

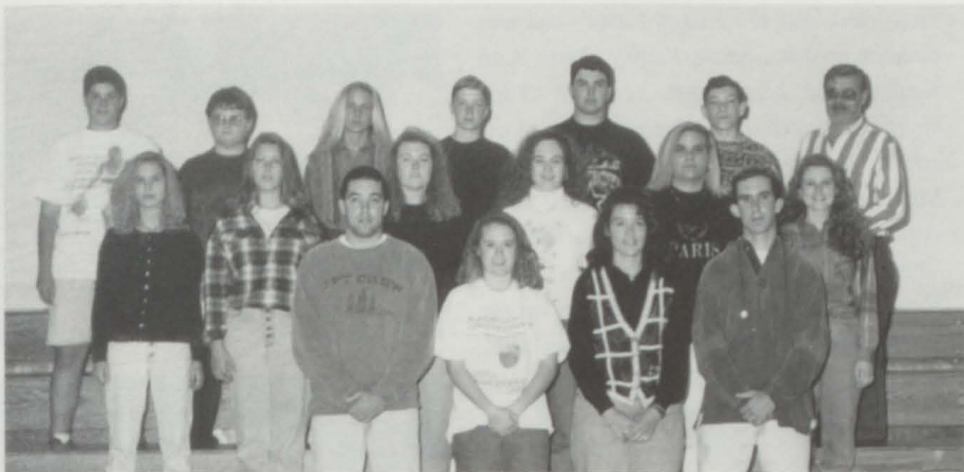
Back Row: David Wolcott, Seth Baker, Joey Walker, Dustin Davis, Chrissy Gravley.



BOTTOM LEFT: B. J. Crabtree in full uniform at a home football game.

BOTTOM RIGHT: The high school band performs for the student body at their Christmas concert.





SCA — Front Row: president, Monty Matthews; vice-president, Sheri Blankenship; secretary, Debbie Munsey, treasurer, Mike Munsey.

2nd Row: Sarah Smith, Holly Pauley, Jamie Kidd, Lesley Kelley, Pachess Umbarger, Michael Kay Mabe.

Back Row: Jeremy Dillow, Josh Richardson, Leslie Gordon, Brent Tate, Jody Lambert, Michael Pruett, Mr. Al Smith, adviser.

What an exciting and profitable year!!

The 1994-95 year proved to be an exciting one for anyone who has watched the development of the Bland County Band program. The year opened with the band stepping off to Myrtle Beach, SC, in May, on the first ever out-of-state trip for the county's high school band. They proved their talent and were an extreme source of pride to the county. While competing against large schools from all over the nation they took 2nd place in all competitions: parade, concert band, and jazz band.

This summer's band camp in July proved successful again. They used the time to practice their field show for competitions in the fall. These competitions demonstrated fruitfulness also, getting a superior rating at each and many trophies to show for their hard work. Three of these trophies came while taking 2nd place at the Forbush Fes-

tival of Marching Bands in Forbush, NC, the second out-of-state trip for the year.

While doing all of this, the band performed at all home football games in their brand new blue and orange uniforms. Not only did they sound good, they looked good, too.!

Christmas and spring concerts for both parents and the student body were also on the agenda. The band made huge strides this year and were extremely proud of their accomplishments.

SCA, with the advisement of Mr. Al Smith, were successful in their endeavors. They once again took the title of Snow King and Queen with their candidates Michael Pruett and Sarah Smith.

Under the supervision of Mrs. Carolyn Bane, VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) met during their scheduled class period. These students worked at local businesses after regular class hours. In the spring they met as a unit with their employers for a breakfast.



VICA — Front Row: Jimmy Pike, president; Brock Justice, vice-president; J.R. Wolfe, secretary; Andy Bruce, treasurer; Jessica Taylor, reporter; Samantha Thompson, parliamentarian.

Back Row: P.J. Meadows, Sarah Shewey, Charlie Corder, Shannon Havens, Darrell Wellman, Jody Neel, Matthew Brunk. Not pictured-adviser, Mrs. Carolyn Bane.

Flowing with the times

With all the new technology, the making of the "Rocket Rapp" changed along with the times. From the days of typing on green stencils and printing on an ink duplicator, to using the desktop publishing Pagemaker and printing dual pages, the newspaper advanced to a professional looking paper.

The school newspaper began in 1958 under the advisement of Elizabeth Newberry. Using the school colors, the paper was called "GoldMarChat". The first name change was in 1961 to "The Rocket Re-

view" and later to "Hilltop News" and was directed by Mrs. Jessie Kegley, Mrs. Ruth Kegley, and Mrs. Janet Faulkner. They typed an original, then xeroxed copies at the school board office. The next advisers were Mrs. Sandra Harman and Mrs. Chris Bird. Again the name changed, this time to "Rocket Rapp" and was printed by Wordsprint of Wytheville, and Pagemaker on the computer. With the '94-'95 season Mrs. Bird was the adviser. "Rocket Rapp" was printed every other month of the school year.

Working with stencils, Mrs. Jessie Kegley, Linda Harman, and Mrs. Ruth Kegley prepare an issue for publication.



Latin II students, Kelli King and Brooke Kitts use the final time from class to peruse the new edition of the newspaper, particularly the last page which contains the gossip column.



ABOVE: Jason Stowers, James McAfee, Brian Waddle purchase newspaper from Wes Strock.



RIGHT: Ryan Newberry waits for change after buying a Rocket Rapp from Wes Strock.



CENTER-ROCKET RAPP STAFF-Front row: Co-editors — Justin Eaton, Jamie Kidd, Asst. ed.-Bobbi Hobbs, News ed.-Robbie Morehead, Special Interest ed.-Anita Sage, Sports ed.-James McAfee.

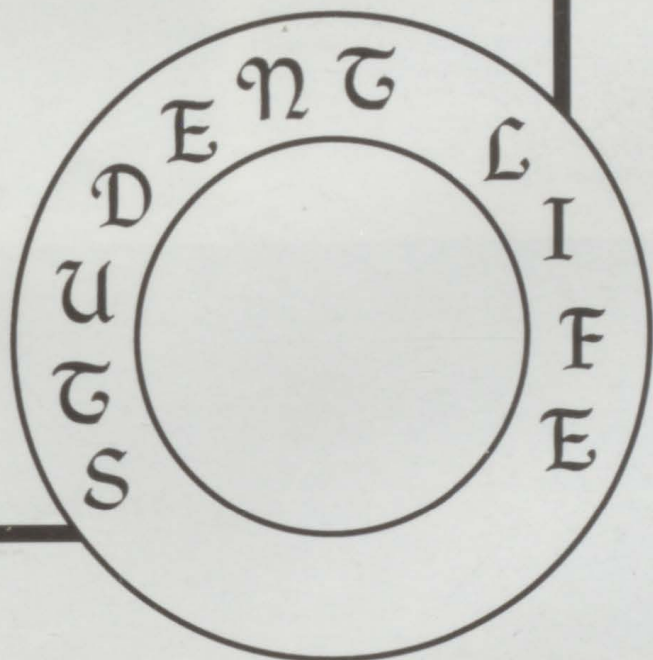
2d row: Adviser-Mrs. Chris Bird, Stephanie Ferrari, Leisa Hagy, Ashley Havens, Jamie Goss, Kelli King, Cheryl Brunk.

Back row: Stacey Miller, Cyndi McGrady, Shannon

Enoch, Amy Hanshew, Leslie Kelley, Rae Romano, Wes Strock. Not pictured: Asst. ed-Michael Mabe, Traci Jones, Feature ed.-Lisa Owens, Mary Chewing, Faye Wolfe, Missy French, Jamie McMillan, Amanda Brown.



With clubs, studies, sports, and still trying to squeeze in eight hours of shuteye and three squares a day, there was little time to actually "have a life." Most students managed, though, to somehow make the sacrifices for some much needed socializing.



"Lights, camera, action"

Each year girls in grades 8-12 are eligible to compete for the title of Miss BHS. Fifteen young ladies decided to try for the honor. The pageant was a night of fun and good-natured competition held in Wagner Auditorium on April 15 with the theme of "Lights, camera, action."

Silver stars with black and white balloons decorated the stage. A facsimile of enlarged film provided a pathway as the contestants left the stage. Mistresses of ceremonies were Kristie Dillow and Amie Simms.

The night was filled with excitement as the fifteen contestants held their heads high throughout the competitive events. Appearing first in evening dress they sparkled and smiled to the judges and audience. This was followed by casual or street wear. The final event was a question/answer competition with judging not only on the quality of their answer but the poise and confidence they exhibited.

As the girls faced each competition, they were given time between events to change and make needed preparations. During this time entertainment was provided through song by Tommy Horton of Wytheville and Cora Ramsey of Bland High.

When it came down to the final verdict,

Faith Penley walked away with the title. Jamie Michael as 2nd runner-up. Leisa Hagy took 1st runner-up followed by



TOP RIGHT: Cyndi McGrady and Sharon Shewey wait in the wings for their appearance in street dress.

BOTTOM — Contestants in formal attire: Chrissy Ramsey, Mary Jane Chewning, Jamie Michael, Melanie Thompson, Faith Penley, Jessica Taylor, Sharon Shewey, Lorie Tabor, Leisa Hagy, Cyndi McGrady, Casey Pruitt, Cindy Berg, Melanie Talbert, Shannon Enoch, Sue Ann McBride.





TOP LEFT — Top three finalists: Jamie Michael, 2nd runner-up, Faith Penley-MISS BHS; Leisa Hagy, 1st runner-up.

CENTER RIGHT: Cora Ramsey provides entertainment in song.

CENTER LEFT: MC's Amie Simms and Kristie Dillow, Detria Thomas-Miss BHS '93, observe Cindy Berg as she appears in street dress.

BOTTOM LEFT: Sue Ann McBride puts her best foot forward in formal wear.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Smoky Parmenter, Amanda Umbarger, Becky Penley supervise the refreshment sales table.



"All for love" created a magical night

With a theme like "All for love" how could the night not be magical. The students of BHS gathered together in the Wagner Auditorium for their Junior-Senior Prom. With stars overhead and marble archways a feeling of romance swept over each in attendance.

Although the prom was held on May 14,

many began their preparations as early as February. Finding the right date, the perfect dress, and renting a decent tux made getting ready for the prom as much fun as the prom itself.

The night wouldn't have been complete without the crowning of Prom Queen and King. Amie Simms and Jes Selfe excuded

much appreciation and surprise as they received this honor.

After the prom students were invited to attend the After-Prom Party at Bluefield. Games, prizes, and sports kept them safe while having fun.

April Tickle and Justin Eaton.

Jeff Brown and Charlotte Nunn pore over prom memory books.



Kevin King, Nikki White, April Toler, and David Lambert discuss evening plans.

Meagan Morehead strikes a pretty pose.



**From
King
and
Queen**
Jes Selfe
and
Amie Simms

BOTTOM LEFT:
Monty Matthews and
Beth Bridges enjoy a
slow dance.

BOTTOM RIGHT:
Joanie Lambert, Cyndi
McGrady, Jason Mitch-
em, April Tickle, Freddie
Payne, Justin Eaton, and
Anita Sage clan together
for a fast-paced dance.



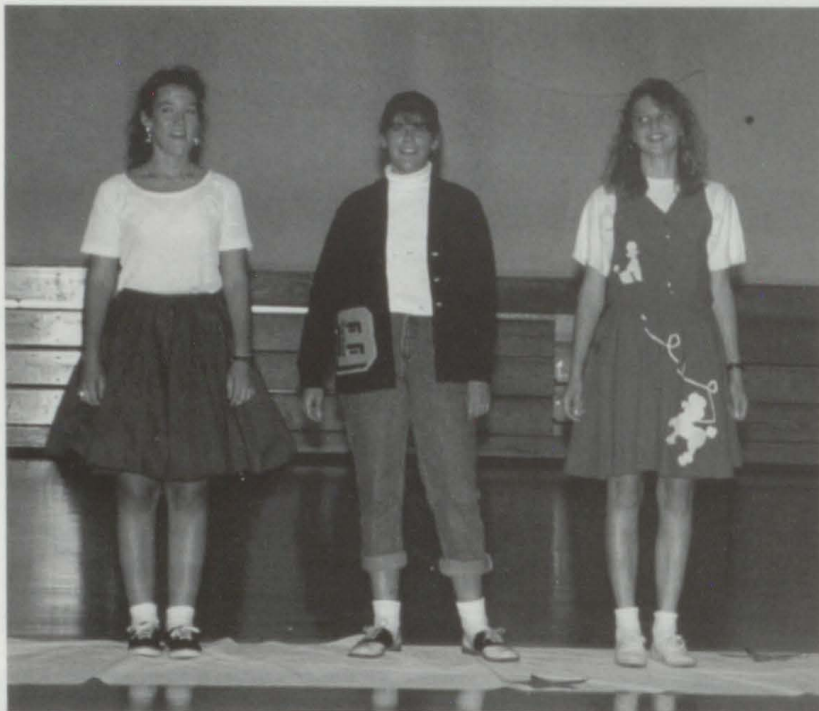
TOP: Students spend time visiting during the dance.

CENTER LEFT: Modeling fashions of yesteryear are Debbie Munsey, Anita Sage, Casie Pruitt.

CENTER RIGHT: Slow dances are still the most popular with students.

BOTTOM LEFT-Miss Echo escorts and candidates: Adam Faulkner, Ashleigh Sarver, Jany Nunn, Casey Johnston, April Tickle, Kary Taylor, Leslie Kelley, Smoky Parmenter, Erin Thompson, JonMichael Newberry.

BOTTOM RIGHT: MCs Justin Eaton and Robbie Morehead.



The Echo celebrates 50 years

From the era of poodle skirts and bobby sox with saddle oxfords to the modern day vintage jeans and broomstick skirts, the audience was given a glimpse of fashions through the past 50 years. In celebration of the 50th anniversary of Bland's yearbook, a combination program and dance was held September 17 in the gymnasium. An archway of gold balloons was flanked by curtains of maroon gossamer. A white aisle runner provided a star-studded runway.

Guests included Mrs. Helen Hardy, former adviser, and eleven previous Miss Echo title holders who were presented with long stem gold roses. Rhonda Ellison Hodge ('80) holds the record number sold. Entertainment was provided by Leslie Kelley, Sheri Blankenship, and Jessica Turner in a wild and funky dance routine. Robbie Morehead and Justin Eaton served as MCs.

Each Miss Echo contestant received a brass mouse note holder and a long stem gold rose. The first runner-up received a \$50 US savings bond and a royalty pin. Miss Echo received a \$75 US savings bond, banner, tiara, and a queen pin. As Leslie Kelley was announced as 1st runner-up, tension and excitement mounted among the remaining four girls. The seniors went a little crazy when senior April Tickle was named the 1995 Miss Echo. It was a very close battle with April having sold 80 yearbook subscriptions and Leslie having sold 79. The total sold was 325.



FORMER ADVISER AND TITLE HOLDERS: Mrs. Helen Hardy, Barbara Meadows Wimmer, Teresa Johnston Perdue, Joyce Bryant, Rhonda Ellison Hodge, Linda Ellison Brizendine, Shawna Carr, Rita Gusler Nunley, Rachael Havens, Stephanie Meadows, Beth Bridges, Detria Agee Thomas.

Fashion dreams

Ima Student lay contentedly in her bed, blissfully lost within the abyss of sleep. She smiled unconsciously as the man of her

dreams took her into his arms and lowered his lips to where they were just inches from her own. Ima could feel her heart racing as the Adonis dressed in a (cont'd on page 82)

TOP LEFT: Leslie Kelley at '94 Beta convention (the first thing to remove on entering and last thing to do on leaving — shoes).

TOP RIGHT: The variety of fashions for Bland's males

BOTTOM: The hot first days of school see mostly shorts as these juniors receive locker assignments from Mr. Roger Thompson and Mr. Richard Havens.





TOP: Joanie Lambert wears an ankle length dress with boot shoes.

BOTTOM: Brian Waddie (Bubba) is attired in his very own t-shirt.

TOP: A popular fashion is the ankle length denim skirts worn with boots or casual shoes as seen by Cora Ramsey and Jamie Kidd.

BOTTOM: Hat day brought out the caps and sweatshirts — Jessica Turner and Bradley Hoosier.

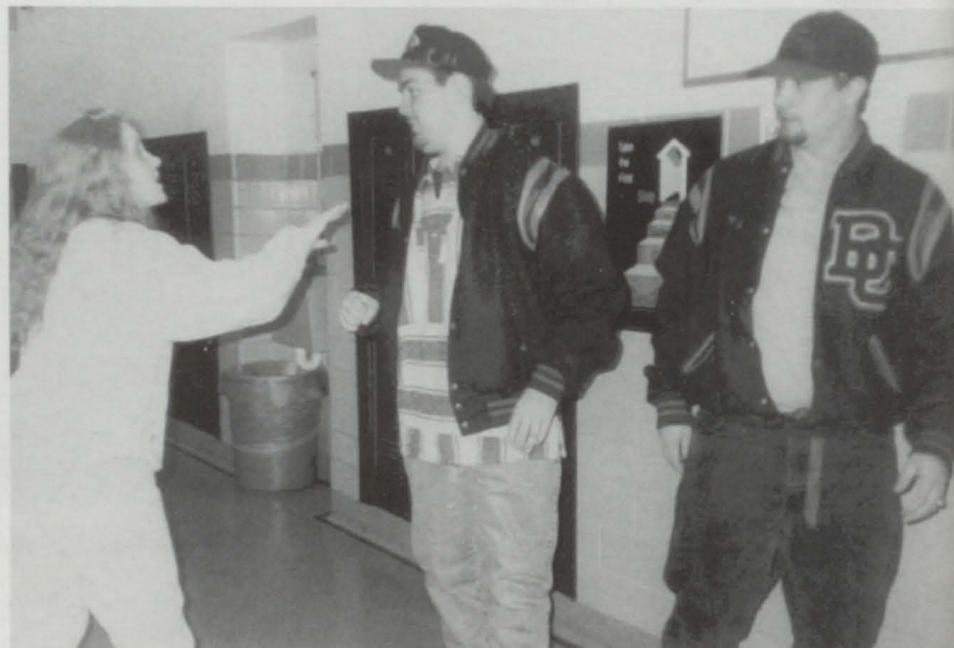


ABOVE: Flannel shirts, jeans and caps are worn by Brock Justice, Charlie Burton.

TOP RIGHT: Chrissy Ramsey in a bright colored vest drools over Balfour's ring display.

CENTER: Jeans, sweatshirts, t-shirts are the favorite attire.

BOTTOM: Don't agitate a redhead — Meagan Morehead, Robbie Chewning, Sammy Blankenship.



(cont'd from page 80) designer Italian suit tightened his grip on her own Calvin Klein clad figure. Deep inside, Ima knew this sharp dressed man was about to proclaim his eternal love for her. He looked deeply into her eyes and said, "I wanna hold your hand." Sighing angrily, Ima reached over, grabbed her radio-alarm clock from her nightstand, and threw it across her bedroom. Thirty minutes, a shower, and seven changes of outfits later, Ima stood in front of her closet screaming that she had "nothing to wear." Finally after one more desperate search through her wardrobe, Ima put on the first outfit she had tried that morning — a long denim skirt, topped with a silk blouse and vest — and left for school where she met her boyfriend, Jes Calline Plain, who was dressed in faded jeans and a t-shirt. So much for well-dressed Greek gods, Ima thought as she took his sweaty hand in her own.

Many students could identify with Ima's story. Fashion was of the utmost importance to most of BHS's alumni. The right outfit provided the makings for a great day, while a bad one caused a person to feel miserable all day.

Most students opted for the comfortable

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(cont'd from page 82) attire of jeans and t-shirts or sweatshirts. Nike shoes remained a favorite, while Reeboks and Asics were also seen. When the need to be "dressed up" hit one of BHS's illustrious students, long skirts and vests were modeled by the girls, and slacks, silk shirts and ties adorned the male population. True to Bland County heritage, flannel shirts and cowboy boots were also worn.

TOP LEFT: For hat day Leslie Gordon dons a baseball cap and pulls her long hair through the opening at the back.

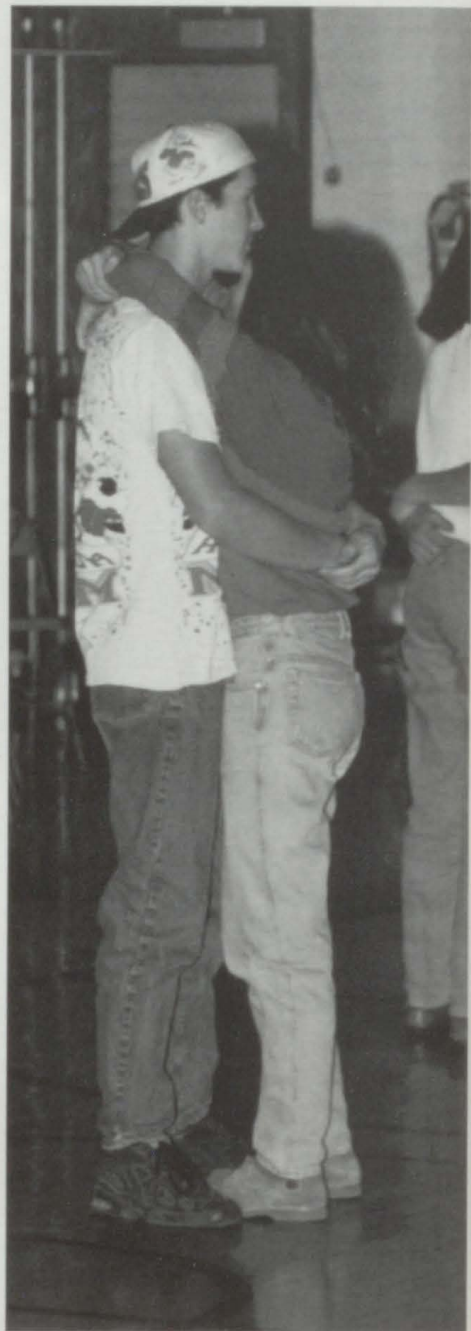
TOP RIGHT: The well known orange "bug" with owner Meagan Morehead.

BOTTOM: Students arrive early and take their places along the hallways.





SNOW COURT: Whitney Gamble, Jason Groseclose-Jr. Beta; Cora Ramsey, Bradley Tate-French; Kelli King, Robbie Chewning-FFA; **Queen Sarah Smith**, King **Michael Pruett**-SCA; Michael Mabe, Jody Lambert-Sr. Beta; Meagan Morehead, Jimmy Pike-Yearbook; Casie Pruitt, Freddie Payne-FHA.



CENTER LEFT: Friends gather for fun and laughter off the dance floor.

CENTER RIGHT: Jon Michael Newberry and Erin Thompson take advantage of a slow song.

BOTTOM: In the mood of slow music are Jamie Dunn, Ben Chewning, Casie Pruitt, Stacey Miller, Sam Tickle, Kelli King, Robbie Chewning.

Smith/Pruett crowned Snow Queen/King

Mid-October usually found students peddling food stuffs and rattling tin cans hoping for sales and donations toward FBLA's Snow Court Dance. Competitiveness has been exceedingly busy each year with every club participating. Those clubs earned a percentage of what they acquired.

Several clubs decided not to enter so the competition was narrowed to only seven couples. Those clubs were French, Jr. Beta,

Sr. Beta, FFA, FHA, SCA, Yearbook.

When the first tallies were posted, most were sadly small. Some of the fast selling items, suckers and bubble gum, were not allowed for sale and all items had to be consumed in one of the seven sponsor's classrooms. Several raffle items were also used.

On December 3, 1994, the Snow Dance was held in Wagner Auditorium. Large

snowflakes and simulated snow banks flanked an archway of red balloons. SCA took top honors with Sarah Smith and Michael Pruett, followed by Senior Beta Michael Kay Mabe and Jody Lambert. In third place was FFA's Kelli King and Robbie Chewning.

Profit from the dance was used as a service project — purchasing items for the school or classrooms.

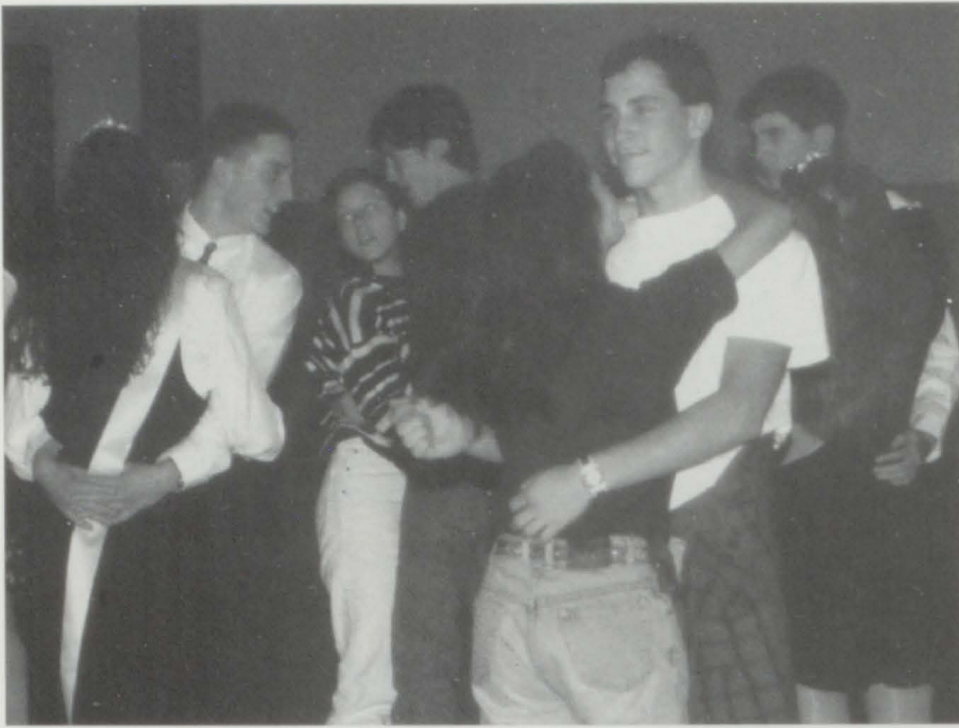
Olena Sexton and Freddie Payne sit one out and catch up on all the news.



Jamie Dunn and Jessica Umberger find conversation improves the dance.



Many students just enjoy extra time together to further their friendships while watching others on the dance floor. They also wait for their kind of dance and the right partner.



TOP LEFT: Couples share the fun and fellowship of dancing.

TOP RIGHT: A petite couple also enjoy the mood of music and dancing — Adam Faulkner, Ashleigh Sarver.

CENTER — HOMECOMING ESCORTS AND CANDIDATES: Adam Faulkner, Ashleigh Sarver — 8th; Jeremy Dillow, Brooke Kitts — 9th; , Amanda Umbarger — 10th; Brock Justice, Linda Prater — 11th; Justin Eaton, Anita Sage — 12th; Jason Stowers, Jessica Turner — 12th; Allen Brown, Meagan Morehead — 12th; Jamy Nunn, Jamie Goss — 11th; Jody Lambert, Amy Hansfrew — 10th; J. B. Lambert, Leisa Hagy — 9th. Not pictured: 8th candidate — Jessica Umbarger.

BOTTOM: Homecoming Queens sharing top honors for basketball homecoming with their escorts — Jason Stowers, Jessica Turner, Allen Brown, Meagan Morehead.



Nights to remember

Football homecoming brought the start of cold weather and basketball homecoming brought snow. Football homecoming was held on October 7, 1994, with Rocky Gap's Tara Easter dominating. From Rocky Gap candidates were Monica Jennings (12th), Mary Beth Pennington (11th), and Tonya Bradshaw (10th). Bland's candidates were Anita Sage (12th), Cora Ramsey (12th), Pachess Umbarger (11th), and Marie Dotson (10th). The Bland County Band played and performed during the festivities.

Homecoming Week started out on Tuesday, January 3, 1995, with the usual dress-up days (western, pajama, hat, spirit). Everything proceeded according to plans until

Friday, the day of the game with Rocky Gap. Snow began falling intently and school was dismissed early with the game postponed. It has been a rare occurrence for homecoming week to make it through the full week without some sort of precipitation.

On Thursday when the votes were tallied — and retallied — Mr. Havens called Ms. Newberry in his office and said, "What do I do now?" He revealed a tie between two of the senior candidates, a first time ever happening. A quick call to the company in Minnesota providing the tiaras assured them that an identical tiara would arrive in time for homecoming the next day. As everyone was leaving on Friday, Mr. Havens walked down the hall from the office carrying the boxed tiara. Homecoming was rescheduled for January 21.

The 1995 homecoming court winners consisted of Ashleigh Sarver (8th), Brooke Kitts (9th), Amy Hanshew (10th), Jamie Goss (11th), Meagan Morehead and Jessica Turner (12th).

TOP — FOOTBALL HOMECOMING QUEEN: Escort Tracy Bradshaw and Queen Tara Easter.

CENTER: Football crowd.

BOTTOM: Flag girls for the band performance are Amy Kitts, Christa Winesett, Charlotte Niunn.



Involvement

Being involved with **all** the school happenings was a dream and goal of many students in both elementary and high school. Capturing those special moments was the goal of yearbook staffers.

TOP: Students in Mrs. Barbara Justice's 4th grade flatten cans and paint faces on them. Keri Blankenship, Kym Wright, Nikki Wilson.

CENTER: Anita Sage and Brock Justice seem to have made a pact on something that pleased both of the.

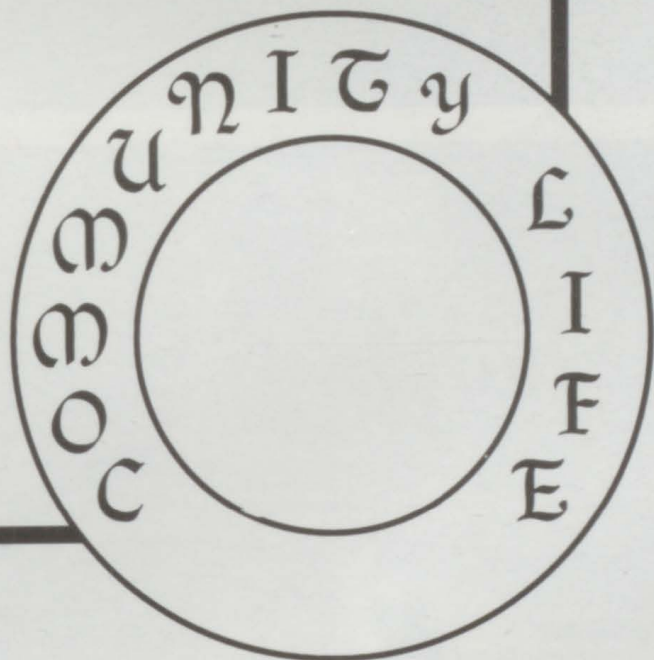


At a football pep rally, cheerleaders use power water guns. Players catch a mouth full and then spit it into a container. The team with the fullest container won and got a kiss from sponsor Debbie Whitt. The boys were disappointed when it turned out to be a Hershey's kiss! Cora Ramsey, Donnie Havens.

Trista Six, a 4th grader, is selected from the audience to play the "jingle bells" at the band's Christmas concert.



It seems that in big cities, communities only pull together in times of dire crisis, such as the L.A. riots or Midwest floods. It can be happily said, however, that this is not true of Bland. Forever together for area activities such as the Bland County Fair, the Lord's Acre Sale and the Bland County football team, our community was closer than ever before.



TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Jan Scott's fourth graders attempt to "churn butter."

CENTER: "Smoke gets in your eyes" — Paul Looney makes apple butter the old-fashioned way.

BOTTOM LEFT: Annette Burton displays her doll collection. With her are Dollie Monroe, Dollie's mother, Goldie French, and her daughter, Debra Monroe.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Celia Schoeneman practices the art of basket making.



TOP LEFT: Penny McAllister and Sue Beavers demonstrate kettle soup making.

CENTER LEFT: Junior Shockley picks the banjo among his stringed instruments.

Sharon Tickle deftly shows how to replace a chair bottom with cane.



Students travel back in time to learn of their heritage

Lye soap, stone soup, and leather tanning were some of the highlights from one of the most authentic assemblages of native, homemade talent in Bland County. Bland County's Heritage Day was held Friday, May 27, at the fairgrounds. Under the coordination of Nancy Stockner students and teachers worked throughout the year gathering the needed tools and information. From tracing family genealogy to displays of Indian artifacts, buildings were filled with the students' work.

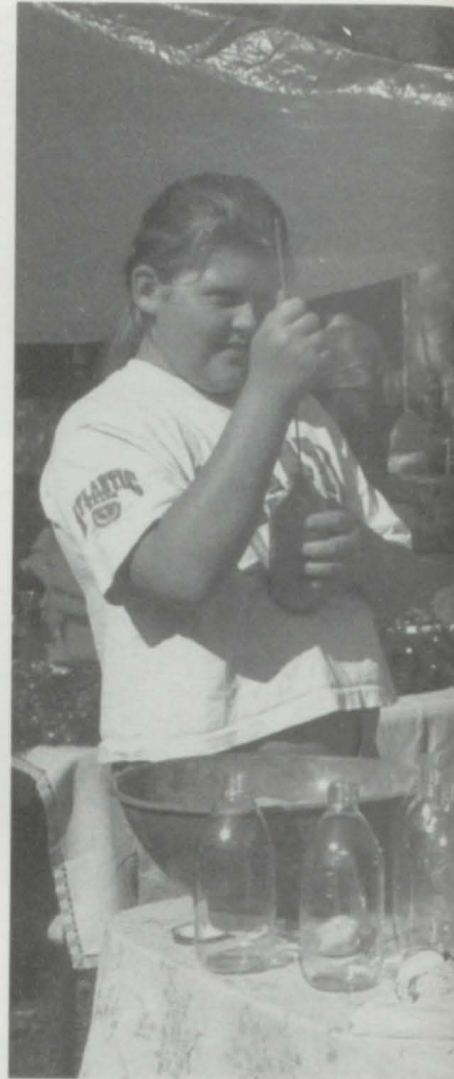
But the real highlights of the day were the demonstrations of old-timey crafts. Nearly 20 local artisans took time off to keep some

craft alive. Paul and Edith Looney made applebutter in a brass kettle and passed out tasty samples to students.

Jim and Sherri Miller showed their beehives while Sharon Tickle and Celia Schoeneman demonstrated chair caning and basket weaving. Hazel and Linda Davis showed old-fashioned lye soap making along with recipes for the soap.

Betty Munsey showed antique farm tools and Extension Agent David Danner demonstrated cow hide tanning. Bland students were definitely academically enriched through the preservation of the cultural heritage and history of their community.

Tommy Scott demonstrates the playing of a handmade dulcimer.



The courthouse lawn was the scene of many exhibits and vendors on this balmy October Saturday.

Melissa Sadler, her mom-Sylvia Sadler, and Vanissa McBride create colorful designs with sand art.

New event comes to Bland

The first Festival of Leaves was held in downtown Bland the second weekend in October, 1994. An estimated 3000 people attended the two day event. The weather cooperated beautifully with bright warm days until light rain on Sunday afternoon. There were activities for all ages. Students from Bland and Rocky Gap provided enough heritage exhibits to fill the large fair building. Scattered around town were antique cars and tractors, face painting stands, hundred year old quilts and dolls, and craft vendors lining the courthouse sidewalk. Entertainment featured rock and country bands, a street dance on Saturday night, a county wide gospel choir on Sunday afternoon, old fashioned hayrides, and games for the younger children. Organizers promise that this will become an annual event.



Old and young enjoyed the old-time cars.

At the petting zoo, Katie Eastep not only pets but tries to ride a baby goat.

Another remarkable year

Explosive was the word which could best be used to describe 1995 and its effects on the people of America. Starting out rather calmly, the year was very quickly brought to a boil. As November elections neared, the Virginia Senate race heated up and was brought into the national spotlight with the smear tactics used by all four candidates, but especially Chuck Robb and Oliver North. After a tied race to the very end, Chuck Robb was finally able to gain enough votes to barely cling to his seat in the Senate.

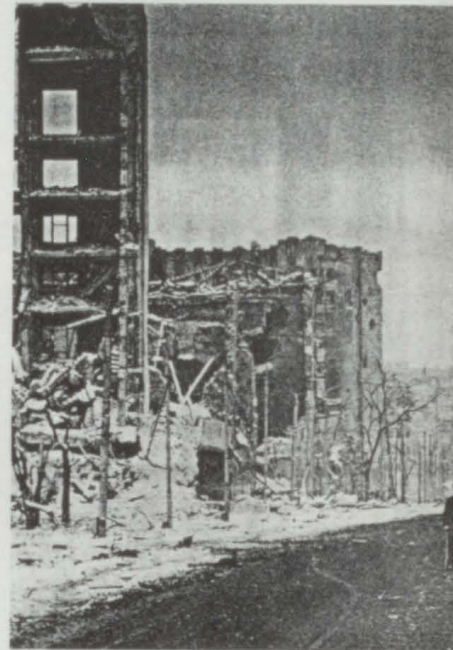
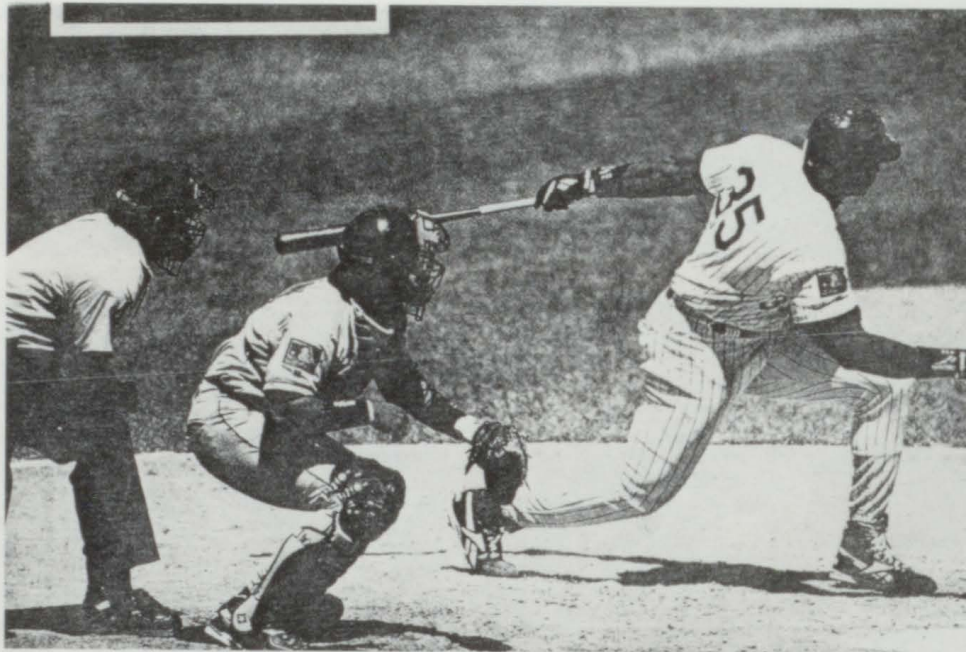
Even though the election was a close victory for the Democrats in Virginia, at the national level, it was the greatest landslide victory for Republicans in recent history. For the first time in 50 years, the GOP seized control of both the Senate and House of Representatives. America's were so upset with the handling of government policies, they didn't even re-elect Speaker of the House Thomas Foley. He was the first speaker to be voted out of office in the past 150 years. The new Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, spoke for all Americans when he said he was happy to usher in a new era of government. Policies in the Republican "Contract with America" are being debated now, so they can start helping the people of this country.

A much loved and respected lady, Jackie Kennedy Onassis, died of cancer at her home in May, 1994. Her mother-in-law, Rose Kennedy, died in January, 1995, at the age of 104.

On June 12, 1994, the country was shocked by the brutal and bloody murder of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman. She was the ex-wife of O. J. Simpson, a famous football player. At press time O. J. was on trial for the murders.

Sadly, we cannot end a year-end review of 1995 without remembering the massive earthquake which rocked Kobe, Japan, and the surrounding areas. This quake was measured at about 7.5 on the Richter scale and was marked as one of the deadliest natural disasters in recent memory. Killing 5,000 people and leaving hundreds of thousands homeless, this truly was a catastrophic event. Following the quake heavy rains descended with threatening landslides.

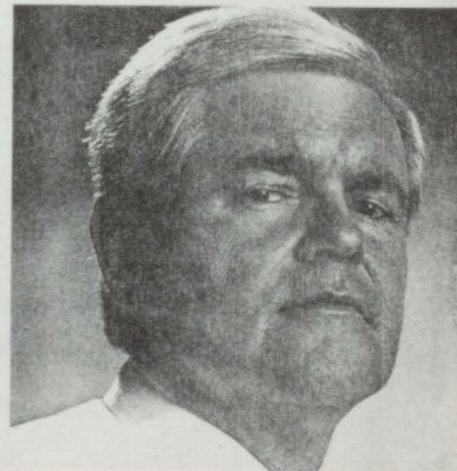
Through excitement and disappointment, hardships and wonderful occurrences, 1995 has proven to be yet another remarkable and memorable year in the histories of our community, our state, our nation, and our country.

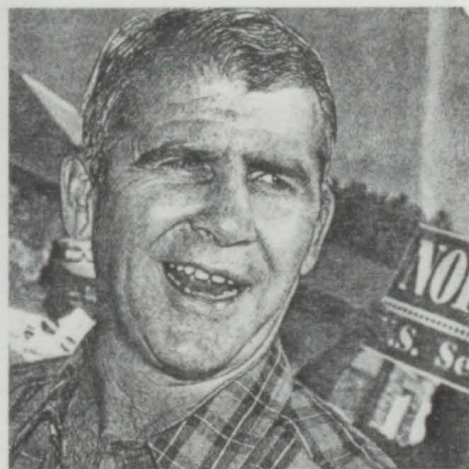


LEFT: Owners, management and players' disagreements resulted in a baseball strike during the '94 season and had not been resolved by press time.

CENTER: Seven weeks of fighting and bombings in Russia left stark devastation.

BOTTOM: New Speaker of the House, Republican Newt Gingrich.





TOP: Kobe, Japan, and the rubble left by the massive earthquake.

CENTER: At 120, Jeanne Calment is listed in Guinness Book of World Records as the oldest living person in the world. She lives in France.

BOTTOM LEFT: His involvement in the Iran-Contra Affair impaired Ollie North's chances in the VA Senate race.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Winner of the VA State Senate seat, Chuck Robb celebrates with President Clinton.

Old and new

The community experienced both old and new events during 1994. The traditional Bland County Fair was held on the fair grounds, along with the annual horse show. People attended both for the rides, the pagentry of the horses, and to view the crafts and other items on display. The Log Cabin Restaurant opened to new management and provided Bland with another eating place. A fall festival, the Festival of Leaves, was held for the first time during the second weekend of October. Many local and out of town visitor enjoyed the festivities.

Members of the county banded together from both Rocky Gap and Bland to support the football team in a successful season. The county lost Mr. Morris Witten as past superintendent and gained a replacement in Dr. Jack Gold. Bland County added new traditions, yet kept many of the old.



TOP: Although many changes have taken place in the community, Main Street still looks much the same.

CENTER LEFT: Scenes like this are often seen throughout the county during the fall season.

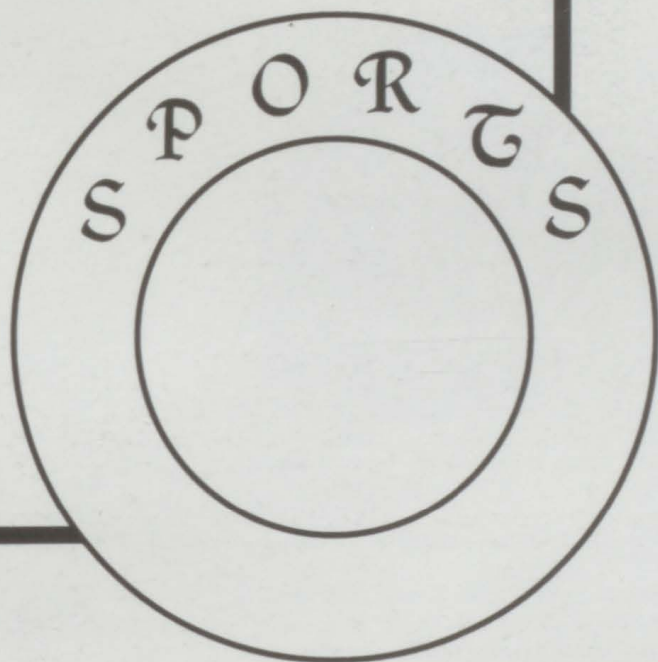
CENTER RIGHT: Bill Crabtree assists others in the marking and judging of produce at the Bland County Fair.

BOTTOM: A new scene to the area is an Amish buggy (that's fog, not exhaust). The Amish bring to our communities farming skills, produce and baked goods.





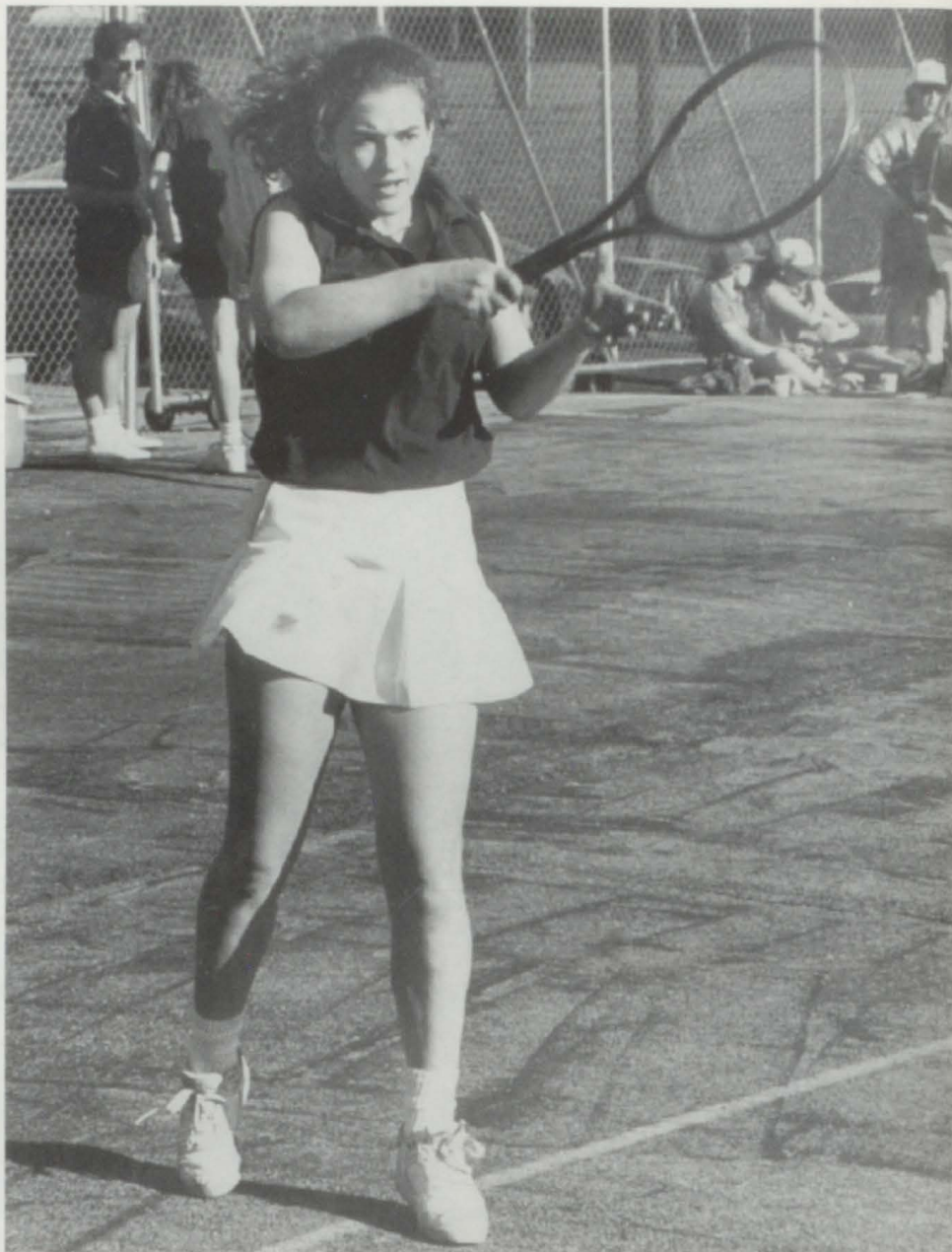
Always the center of the social scene, a game or match of any sort was well attended. Players, parents, friends and fans cheered each other on with echoes of praise through many different sports seasons.



A mini-Wimbledon Tournament provided riveting entertainment

Blasting off into yet another year of competition, the Lady Rockets tennis team faced off against the Mountain Empire District rivals. These games, a mini-Wimbledon Tournament, provided hours of riveting, "edge of your seat entertainment". Tennis provided yet another opportunity for the talented students of Bland High to showcase their abilities. An extremely talented group of young ladies headed up the team and led them through a very successful year. Tennis was an enjoyable experience for all who participated.

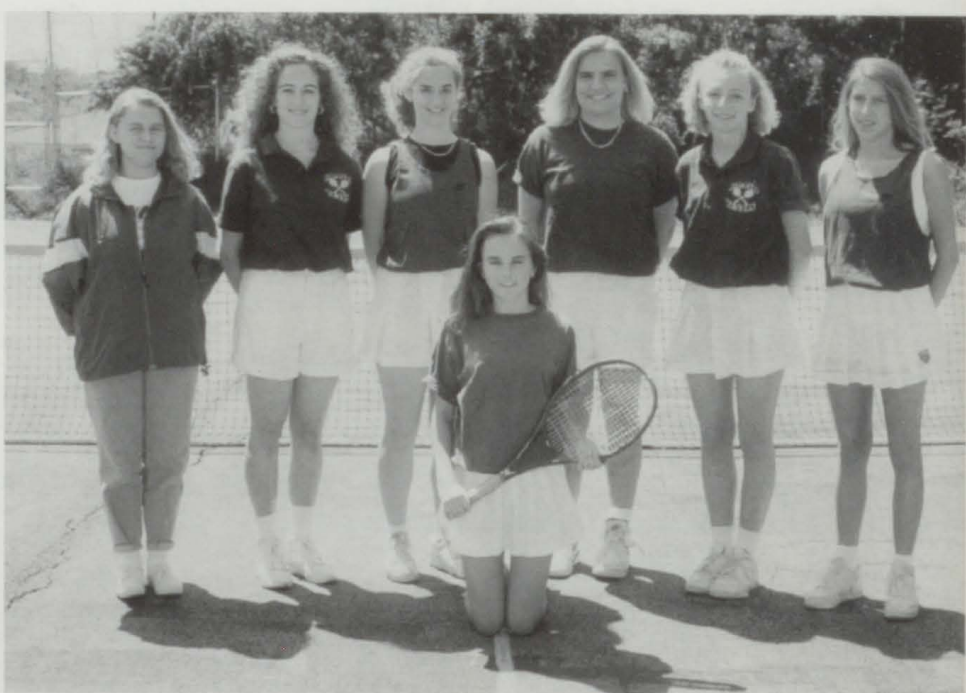
TOP: Rae Romano, holding top seat on the team with a 1-8 record, sends the ball back across the net to Shawsville with a power thrust.



ABOVE: With a brilliant sun against her, Shannon Enoch reaches to challenge her opponent's serve.

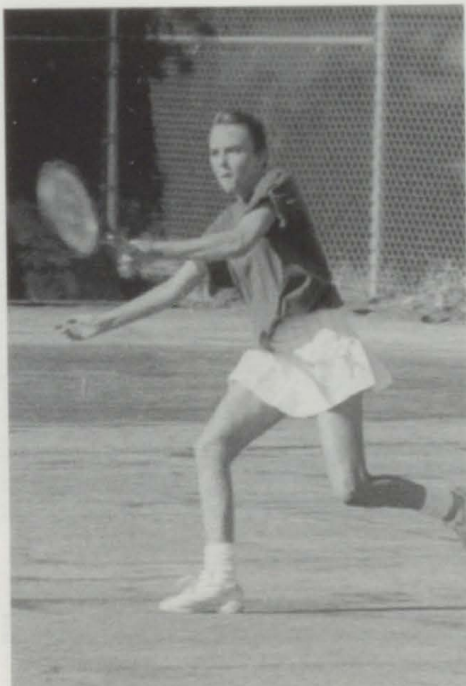
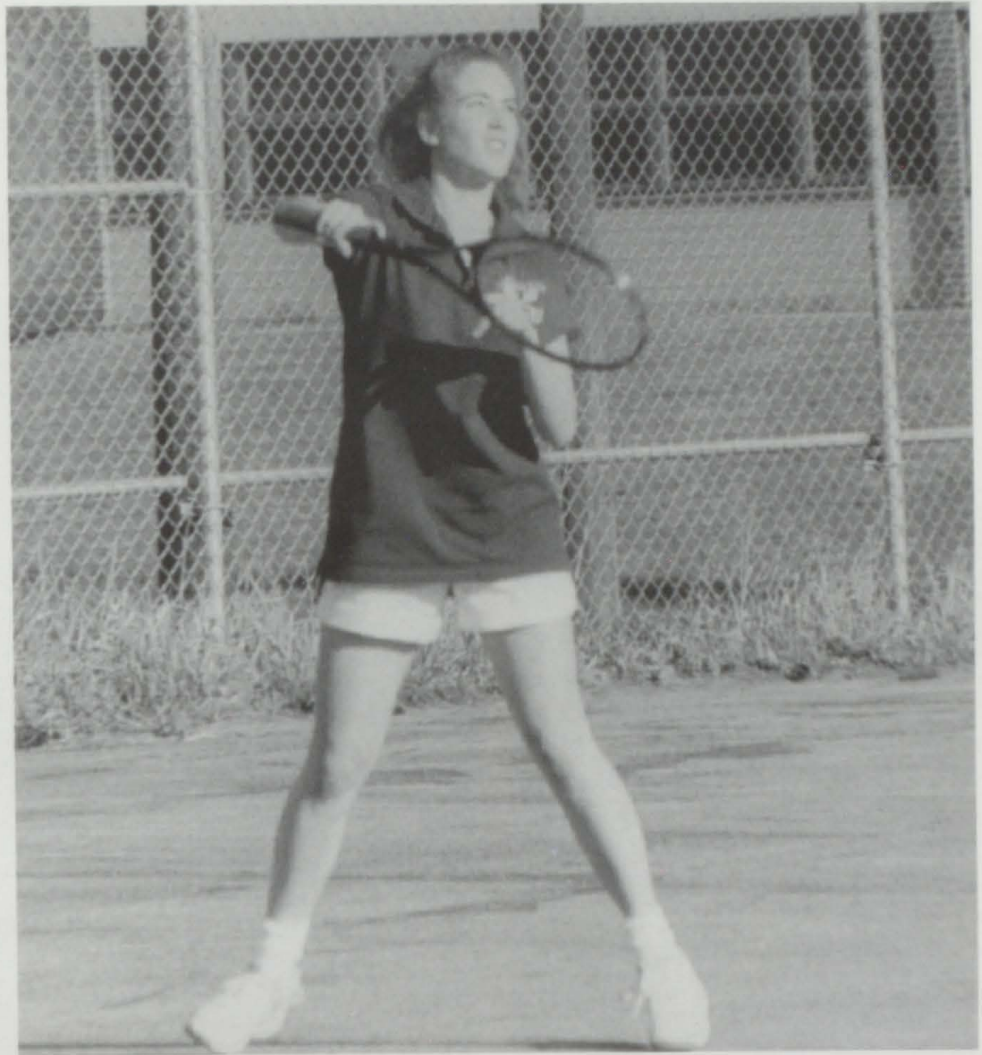
TENNIS TEAM-Kneeling: Tawny Dillow, senior.

Standing: Manager, Whitney Gamble, Leslie Kelley, Rae Romano, Pachess Umbarger, Shannon Enoch, Amy Hanshew. They were coached by Mrs. Patty Hankins.



TOP LEFT: With a flick of the wrist, Amy Hanshew zaps this one easily.
TOP RIGHT: A backhanded stroke for Leslie Kelley gains a point in spite of the blinding sun.

BOTTOM LEFT: Senior, Tawny Dillow uses strong arm and leg muscles to match her opponent's skill.
BOTTOM CENTER: Pachess Umbarger slams the serve back across the net.



Tennis 93-94

US		THEM
5	Auburn	4
1	Galax	8
3	Shawsville	6
2	Floyd	7
0	Giles	9
1	Ft. Chiswell	8
0	Narrows	9
3	Auburn	5
0	Grayson	9
WON-1		LOST-8

**JV BASEBALL
SCOREBOARD**

US		THEM
18	Galax	2
9	Auburn	8
21	Rocky Gap	4
3	George Wythe	4
4	Fries	3
7	Fries	2
8	Galax	2
4	Tazewell	3

WON-7

LOST-1



"Strike" Echoes on the Diamond

It seemed that echoes were heard all over the baseball field, "Strike, strike, strike," as Bland's impressive pitching rotation went to work. Combined with the talents of potent, forceful hitters, Bland rocked the baseball world in the 1993-94 season.

one sophomore, and five freshmen, came together to form a menacing foe to the competition. The JV team, composed of one sophomore, six freshmen and six eighth graders, also enjoyed a winning season. Both teams were coached by Mr. Roger Thompson, with assistance from local citizens.

The varsity team, made of nine juniors,



**VARSITY BASEBALL
SCOREBOARD**

US		THEM
5	Ft. Chiswell	4
1	Shawsville	10
14	Galax	3
8	Auburn	9
6	Rocky Gap	0
5	Narrows	15
1	Grayson County	11
8	Giles	9
1	Galax	2
6	Ft. Chiswell	4
15	Fries	9
6	Shawsville	5

WON-6

LOST-6



TOP LEFT: Pitcher Jason Hancock hurls a fastball over home plate.

TOP RIGHT: Catcher Derrick DeHart's master glove closes over another Bland strike. Umpire is David Wall.
JV BASEBALL TEAM-Front row: Jim Bob Penley, Adam Faulkner, Vince Moore, Isaac Tyeryar, Jeremy Dillow, Josh Gusler. **Back row:** John C. Thompson, Jody Lambert, Jason Hancock, Ben Chewning, Derrick DeHart, Lee Meadows, Jamie Dunn.



VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM-Front row: Derrick DeHart, John Curtis Thompson, Ben Chewning, Jody Lambert, Lee Meadows, Jamie Dunn. **Back row:** Brian Waddle, Bradley Gordon, Allen Brown, Justin Eaton, James Umbarger, Robbie Chewning, James McAfee, David Alan Lambert, Bradley Tate.

TOP LEFT: Varsity teammates exude a celebratory mood after a win.

TOP RIGHT: Coach Roger Thompson consults with pitcher David Alan Lambert.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Bubba (Brian Waddle) makes a good catch at second to secure an "out".

Golf swung into regional play

Coached by Roger Thompson, Bland High golf took a new swing in 1994. In its third year of competition, the golf team advanced to the regional level of play for the first time ever. Mr. Thompson had anticipated a good year for his team based on the previous year's record of 13-8.

Joining the nine member team were the first female players, Debbie Munsey a freshman and Renee Gross an eighth grader. Wolfe Creek Golf Course served as the home course for practice and matches. The team chalked up a final tally of 12-6-1.

Jamie Dunn, a sophomore and veteran player, judges his distance and takes careful aim on the ball.

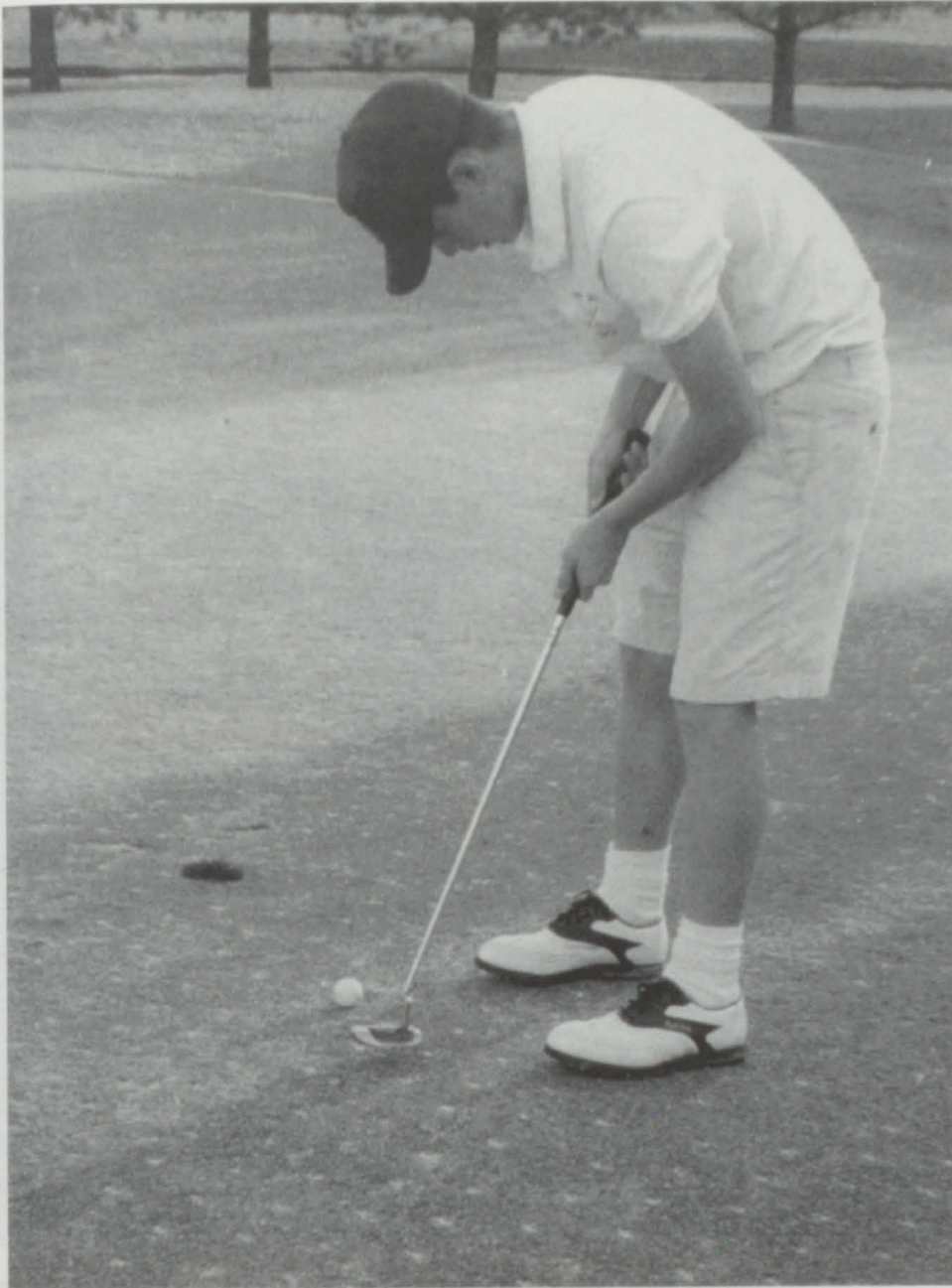
GOLF TEAM-Front row: Renee Gross, Debbie Munsey, Jimmy Pike, Adam Faulkner.
Back row: Jamie Dunn, John Curtis Thompson, James Umbarger, Allen Brown, Jeremy Dillow.



James Umbarger carefully considers all factors before taking a swing.

Debbie Munsey, a first year player, plays cautiously.





TOP: John Curtis Thompson uses a steady hand to put this one away.

GOLF SCOREBOARD

Rocky Gap	0-0-1
Rocky Gap, Grayson, Ft. Chiswell	2-1-0
Ft. Chiswell, Grayson	2-0
Shawsville	1-0
Grayson	1-0
Racky Gap, Narrows	1-1
Galax, Rocky Gap	0-2
Shawsville	0-1
MED Tournament	5-1-0

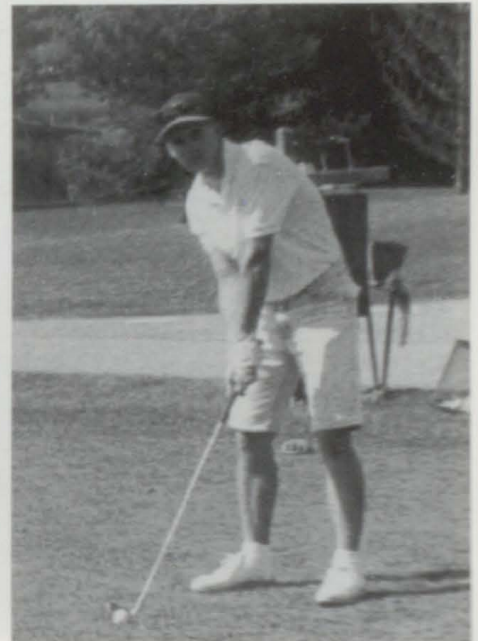
12-6-1

Runner-up

District tournament

BOTTOM LEFT: Allen Brown vigorously swings the iron and sends the ball flying.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Jimmy Pike carefully measures the distance before drawing back for a hit.



**JV Football
SCOREBOARD**

US		THEM
6	Ft. Chiswell	8
27	Shawsville	27
14	Glenwood	21
14	Pikeview	28
18	Shawsville	8
8	Glenwood	14
20	Galax	5
21	Narrows	21

WON-2 LOST-4 TIED-2

JV Bears get off to bumpy start

With only a few returning players, the JV Bland County Bears were off to a bumpy start. Recruiting was tough, but finally enough players were acquired for a team. Learning teamwork and trust were two main goals for this small team. The exceptional coaching staff and determination of the players gave the team an extra boost of confidence in the season ahead.

Although they only won two games, they learned pride and respect for the game which gave the JV Bears a guaranteed advantage for next year.

RIGHT: Paul Lindamood fakes a carry.



CENTER: Jarrod Tibbs leaves everyone behind and runs the field for a 1st down.

BOTTOM: Jarrod Tibbs goes for a fumble recovery.



JV FOOTBALL TEAM-Front row: Bradley Dillow, Chad Brewer, Mark Wilson, Jarrod Tibbs, Chris Berg, David Olinger, Michael Kidd.
Back row: Jesse Goss, Jeremy Harless, Paul Lindamood, Derrick Hall, Jeremy Burton. Not pictured: Mike Nelson John Trexler, Chad Williams.

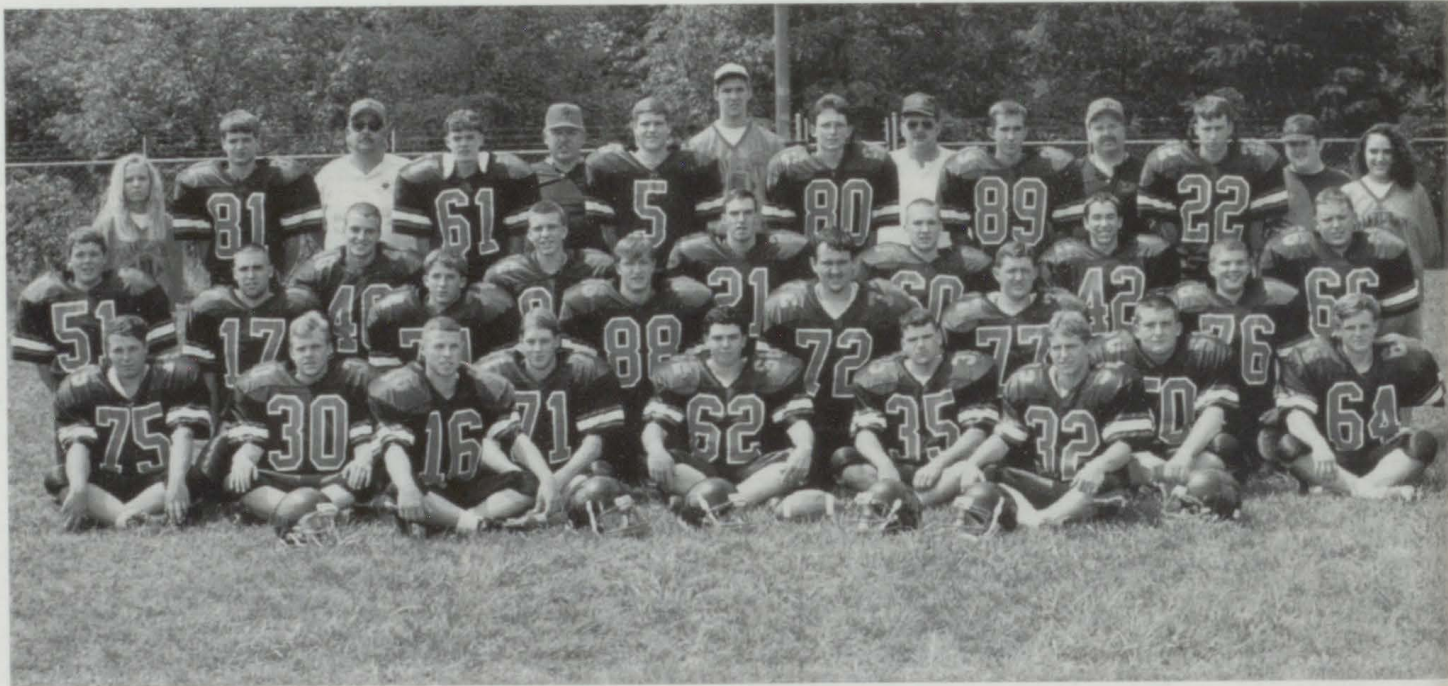
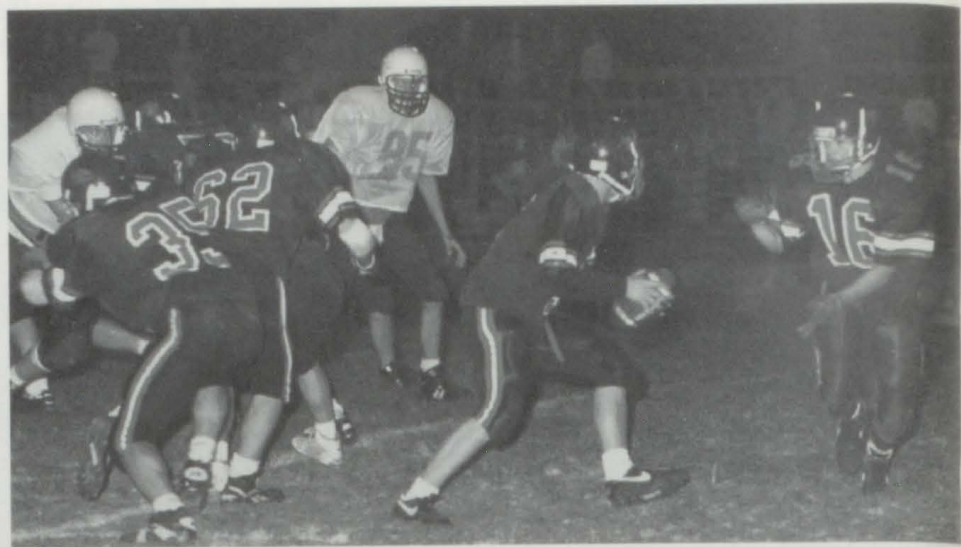


CENTER: The Bears hold the Greenwave line.

BOTTOM LEFT: Michael Kidd and Mark Wilson make key blocks as Jarrod Tibbs takes the handoff.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Paul Lindamood whizzes by a Greenwave player to gain some yardage.

John Stinson and Jody Lambert hold the line as David Alan Lambert hands off to Todd Morehead. J. B. Lambert makes the key tackle and allows James McAfee a free run.



The Bears break on to the field and show their spirit.

1994 FOOTBALL TEAM-Front row: Sammy Blankenship, Seth Roseberry, Todd Morehead, Brian Waddle, Jody Lambert, John Stinson, J.B. Lambert, Donnie Havens, Lee Hankins.
2nd row: Nick Bruffey, Monty Matthews, Jacob Scott, Matthew Hankins, Robbie Chewning, Ben Chewning, David Blankenship.
3rd row: Stacey Miller, manager, James McAfee, Jason Hancock, Smokey Parmenter, William Leighton, Jon Michael Newberry, Brock Tibbs, Brooke Kitts, manager.
Back row: Justin Eaton, Ed Selfe (coach), Chris Mercer, Dan Tibbs (coach), David Alan Lambert, Andy Selfe (manager), Keith Bourne, David Lambert (coach), Mike Munsey, Lester Hancock (coach), Bradley Tate, Curly Pauley (coach).

Bland Bears make history

With a dry, losing season behind them and with hope ahead, the Bland County Bears started the new season with two key wins. The Big Creek Owls broke their winning streak, but not their spirit, as the team went on to win three important games in a row. Only side-tracked for a while by Giles and Fort Chiswell, the Bears forged ahead to make history. They clinched the

1994 Mountain Empire District Championship and advanced to the playoffs. Winning the first round the Bears had already proved they were worthy of greatness. Finally the Bears were stopped by the Narrows Green Waves, 30-0.

Honors ranked high in the All-District Team with Ed Selfe and Dave Lambert being named Coaches of the Year. Other

recipients were: Monty Matthews-offense, placekicker, back defense, punter; Donnie Havens-center; David Alan Lambert-quarterback, linebacker, offensive player of year; Justin Eaton-end; John Stinson-running back, line defense, return specialist; James McAfee-wide receiver; Brock Tibbs-tackle; Brian Waddle-guard; Smokey Parmenter-linebacker. Named as Honorable Mention were James McAfee, Bradley Tate, Jody Lambert, and Todd Morehead. The Bears finished the season 8-4, one the Bears and Bland County will long remember.



Varsity Football SCOREBOARD

US		THEM
*14	Galax	10
*14	Grayson	13
0	Big Creek	28
*28	Shawsville	12
*46	Council	12
*17	Narrows	12
11	Giles	32
*30	Auburn	6
10	Ft. Chiswell	14
*22	Craig	12
	Playoffs	
*41	Northwood	12
0	Narrows	30

WON-8 LOST-4

*denotes a win



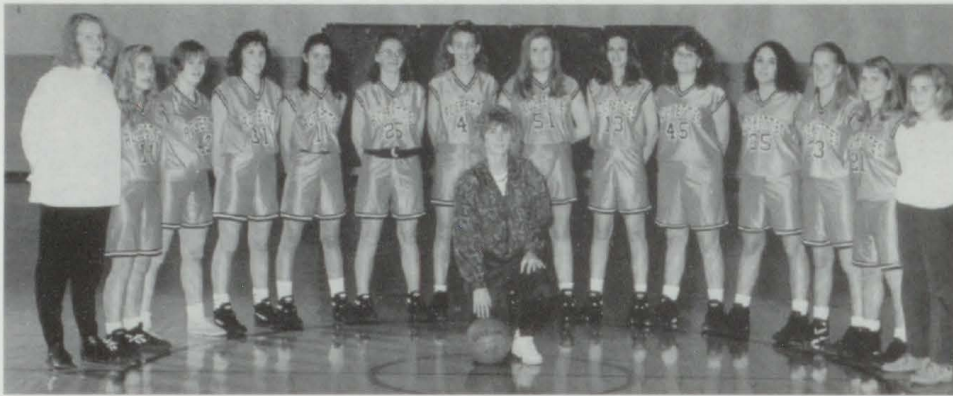
TOP: Brian Waddle shows his defensive abilities as he tackles the running back.

BOTTOM LEFT: David Alan Lambert searches for a teammate as he reaches back with a pass. John Stinson blocks out the opponent.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Coach Dan Tibbs calls an important play while surrounded by the other coaches.



Coach LaMoore Muncy makes sure her team understands what is expected of them in her final instructions.



JV GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM: Manager, Jessica Crawford, Tina Pauley, Martha Arnold, Stephanie Kelley, Erin Thompson, Mandy Blankenship, Ashley Havens, Cindy King, Leslie Carroll, Kelli King, Brooke Kitts, Kelly Dunn, Whitney Gamble, Ashleigh Sarver, manager. **Kneeling**-Coach LaMoore Muncy.



TOP: Brooke Kitts goes for three!
BOTTOM: Kelli King scrambles for the ball.

Success comes at finale Bland defeats the Fort in final game

Determination, energy, and enthusiasm were three terms used to describe the 1994 Junior Varsity Rockettes, coached by LaMoore Muncy. Even though their win/loss record reflected a losing season, the spirit of the team made them winners in every way. With Miss Muncy's prodding, the team members perfected their shooting, passing, and rebounding skills.

The final game was the most thrilling of the season. As they gained the lead, screams from spectators bounced and echoed off the walls and through the halls. They maintained the lead for a triumphant win over

Fort Chiswell with a final score of 29-21.

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit—
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns,
And many a fellow turns about
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up, though the pace seems slow—
You may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering man

Often the struggler has given up
When he might have captured the victor's cup
And he learned too late when the night came down
How close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out—
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt—
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit,
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit.
— A Winn



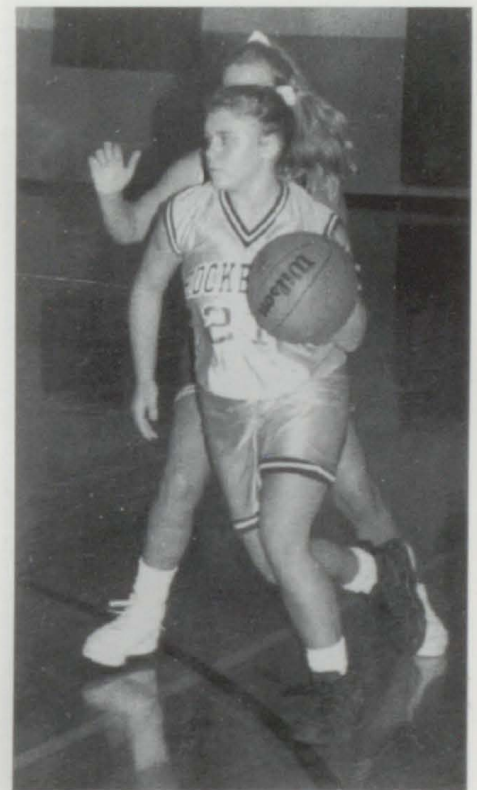
JV GIRLS' BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

US		THEM
19	Shawsville	31
9	Radford	28
9	Auburn	31
15	Giles	45
7	Auburn	31
12	Shawsville	34
19	Radford	20
13	Rocky Gap	38
31	Grayson	40
11	Galax	42
16	Narrows	33
19	Giles	30
21	Fort Chiswell	26
13	Rocky Gap	26
14	Grayson	35
10	Galax	38
12	Narrows	40
29	Ft. Chiswell	21

WON-1 LOST-17

TOP: Trying for a goal, Kelly Dunn is double teamed by Rocky Gap.

BOTTOM LEFT: Ashley Havens arrives too late to block this shot by Rocky Gap.



Being closely guarded, Whitney Gamble protects the ball and brings it down court.

Rae Romano tries a three-point jumper against Rocky Gap defense.



ABOVE: Senior, Shannon Enoch gets two points from the corner in spite of Rocky Gap opposition.
RIGHT: Sheri Blankenship puts forth tough defense against Rocky Gap's Holly Boone.



**VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL
SCOREBOARD**

US		THEM
11	Shawsville	55
18	Radford	49
23	Auburn	71
17	Giles	50
16	Auburn	73
9	Shawsville	61
29	Radford	39
24	Rocky Gap	51
29	Grayson	46
7	Galax	75
16	Narrows	56
25	Giles	46
19	Ft. Chiswell	73
20	Rocky Gap	47
16	Grayson	40
23	Galax	60
18	Narrows	44
33	Ft. Chiswell	56
22	Ft. Chiswell	62

WON-0 LOST-19

Two members recognized for outstanding team contributions

With one senior, Shannon Enoch, the '94 varsity girls looked for a successful season. Although this wasn't the outcome, these girls had a lot to be proud of. Even when they knew a win was out of their reach, they played to their best ability until that final buzzer sounded.

Two members were recognized for their outstanding contributions to the team. Junior,

Pachess Umbarger, was named to the All-district team, while sophomore teammate, Amy Hanshew, received an Honorable Mention award.

Coached by Kevin Johnson and Matthew Kidd the team consisted of one senior, five juniors, and three sophomores. These girls return next year with a hopeful look toward the '95 season.



TOP: With Grayson players surrounding her Jamie Goss drives in for a goal. Jennifer Winters is on hand to assist and ready for a rebound.

RIGHT: Pachess Umbarger sends the ball high over the opponent for an attempted two points.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Amy Hanshew sends a one-handed two-pointer over Rocky Gap's defense.



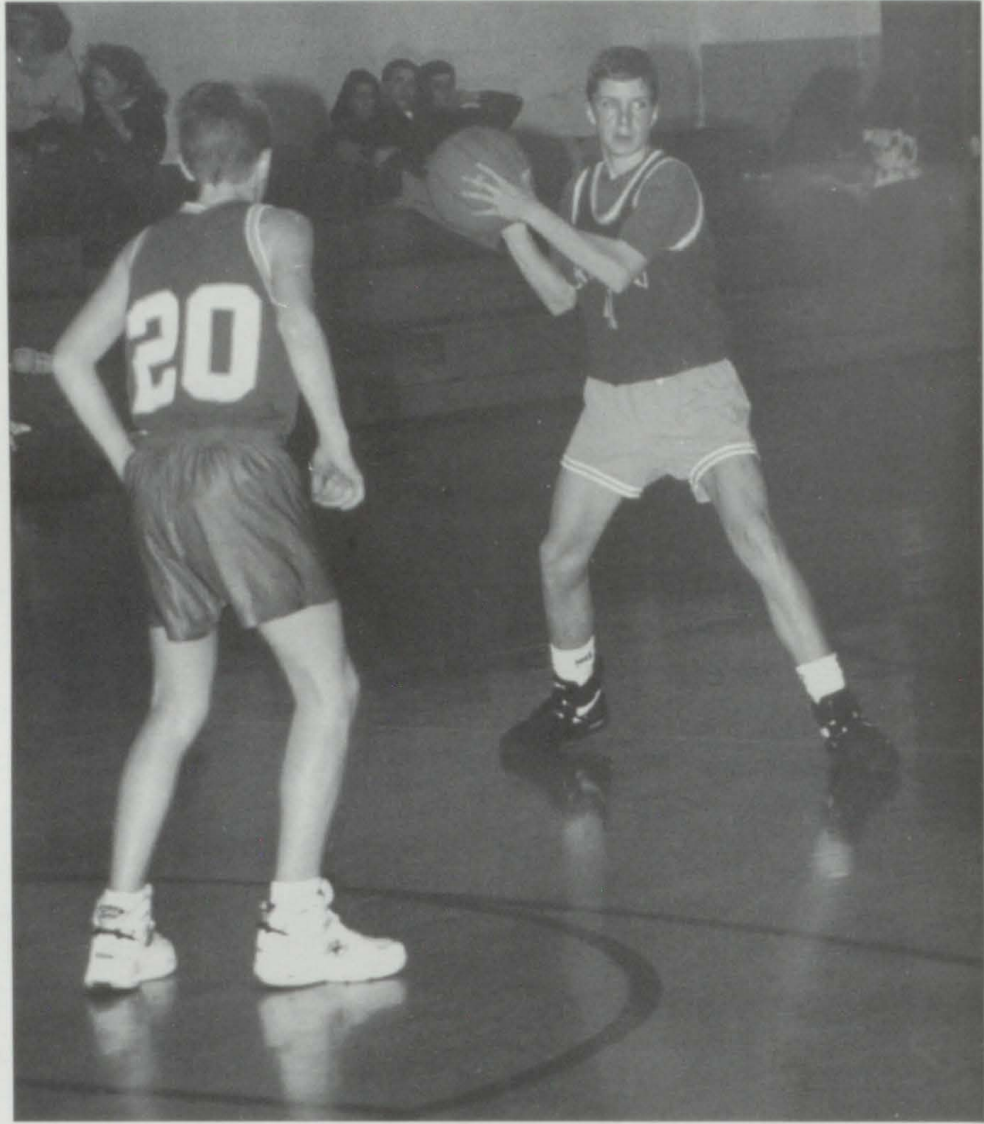
VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM: Manager, Jessica Crawford, Amy Hanshew, Jennifer Winters, Pachess Umbarger, Jamie Goss, Melanie Talbert, Amie Goss, Rae Romano, Shannon Enoch, Sheri Blankenship, Ashleigh Sarver, manager.



A young good ball handler, Brent Tate scans the scene for an open teammate and keeps distance between him and his opponent.

LEFT: Jesse Goss goes over a potential block by Rocky Gap and scores two points.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Heath Puckett's height takes him well above the Eagle's outstretched arms.



Josh Breedlove may have gotten away with a little pushing in this one as he charges toward the Rocket's net.



Jeremiah Tate easily outjumps Rocky Gap's opponents to lay this one-handed shot through the hoop for a score.

District champions

No one expected much from the Bland 8th grade team this year, but they proved everyone wrong. Behind the coaching of Jason Lambert and the experience of Heath Puckett, Brent Tate, Jeremiah Tate, Rikki Sarver and Josh Breedlove (all who played last year as 7th graders) the 8th grade managed not only a winning season, but also claimed the district championship over Ga-

lax.

Out of twelve players, there were eight 8th graders and four 7th graders. Heath's mother, Connie-a veteran player from the 70's, could be heard telling her son to "stay on the floor" in order not to foul. Sideline coaching can be helpful!



SCOREBOARD-8TH GRADE

US		THEM
39	Auburn	37
32	Grayson	39
37	Shawsville	32
37	Shawsville	25
45	Sugar Grove	37
32	Rocky Gap	28
29	Giles	31
53	Sugar Grove	26
51	Narrows	27
40	Ft. Chiswell	36
41	Rocky Gap	18
37	Grayson	23
29	Galax	32
50	Ft. Chiswell	38
43	Galax	20

WON-12 LOST-3



CENTER: Rikki Sarver waits for his chance at a rebound.

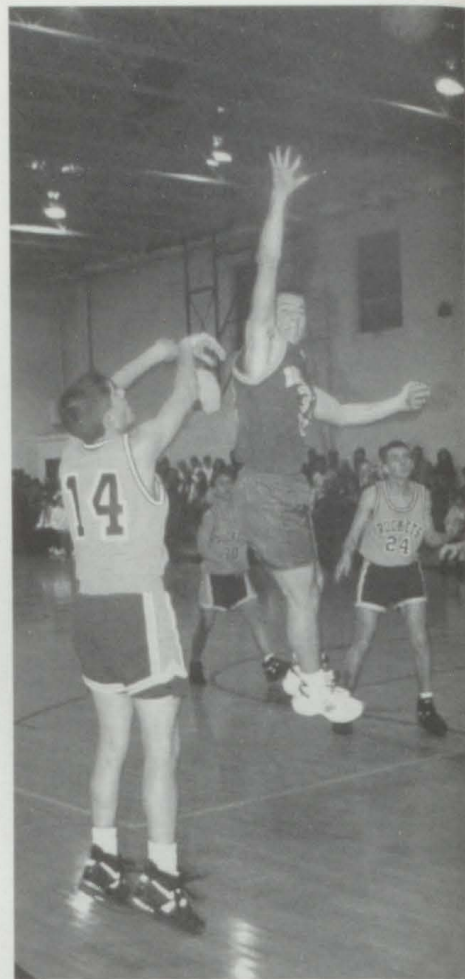
BOTTOM — 8TH GRADE TEAM — Front Row: Brandon Faulkner, Stuart Morehead, Jesse Goss, Brandon Clark, Brian Faulkner.

Back Row: Josh Breedlove, Brent Tate, Jeremiah Tate, Heath Puckett, Titus Ramsey. Not pictured Rikki Sarver, Coach Jason Lambert.

Jason Hancock struggles to maintain possession over Rocky Gap with support from JonMichael Newberry and Jason Groseclose.



This Eagle really does fly attempting to block Jamie Dunn's three pointer.



John Curtis Thompson shoots in spite of tight guarding.



J. B. Lambert with a one hand shot goes high off the floor and scores.



Jason Hancock watches a clean block by JonMichael Newberry.

Veterans lead to a successful season

Take twelve devoted freshmen and sophomore boys, add two competent coaches and what do you have? A successful JV basketball season.

This year's JV team, coached by Kevin Johnson and Matthew Kidd, had a final record of 12 and 8. Veteran players John Curtis Thompson, Jamie Dunn, Jason Hancock, and JonMichael Newberry with added skills from Derrick DeHart, Jason Groseclose and J. B. Lambert created winning teamwork. Most of the losses were only by a few points. With the promotion of experienced players from the 8th grade team, next year should be another good one in spite of losing sophomore members.



JV BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM — Front Row: Adam Faulkner, Jeremy Dillow, Ryan Newberry, Isaac Tyeryar, Jamie Dunn. Back Row: Paul Lindamood, Derrick DeHart, JonMichael Newberry, Jason Groseclose, Jason Hancock, John Curtis Thompson. Not pictured J. B. Lambert, Coach Kevin Johnson.

JV SCOREBOARD

US		THEM
50	Auburn	46
53	Giles	43
55	Graham	51
41	Richlands	33
36	Auburn	45
34	Radford	61
44	Grayson	21
56	Shawsville	42
55	Shawsville	44
29	Rocky Gap	37
37	Giles	38
58	Narrows	75
52	Ft. Chiswell	41
44	Radford	43
30	Rocky Gap	37
50	Grayson	40
28	Galax	49
34	Narrows	55
51	Ft. Chiswell	48
62	Galax	46

WON-12 LOST-8

Varsity loses eight players

They had it all, the quickness, the height, the sharpshooters, the rebounders, so why did they end up with half-and-half? Many different reasons could be given with the most likely being their competitors were out for the top bracket and fought mightily to get it. Midway through the season Jason Stowers suffered a leg injury that took him out for the remainder of the season.

Of the eleven team members, eight were seniors. That means next year will be almost a start-from-scratch season. With the three remaining members and several advancing from JV they will be ok.

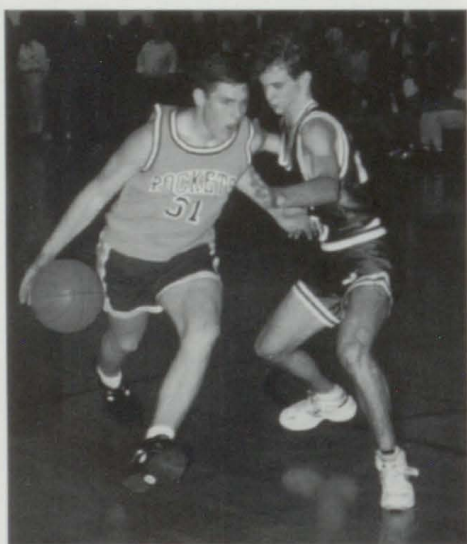
BELOW: Bradley Tate protects the ball with his body while watching all court movements.
CENTER RIGHT: Todd Morehead moves in for a layup.



VARSITY SCOREBOARD

UIS		THEM
62	Auburn	65
57	Giles	48
58	Graham	69
57	Richlands	51
58	Auburn	66
57	Radford	41
54	Grayson	67
48	Shawsville	38
50	Shawsville	38
64	Rocky Gap	67
50	Giles	69
75	Narrows	43
74	Ft. Chiswell	80
57	Radford	54
34	Rocky Gap	54
64	Grayson	78
64	Galax	47
59	Narrows	75
57	Ft. Chiswell	46
64	Galax	51

WON-10 LOST-10



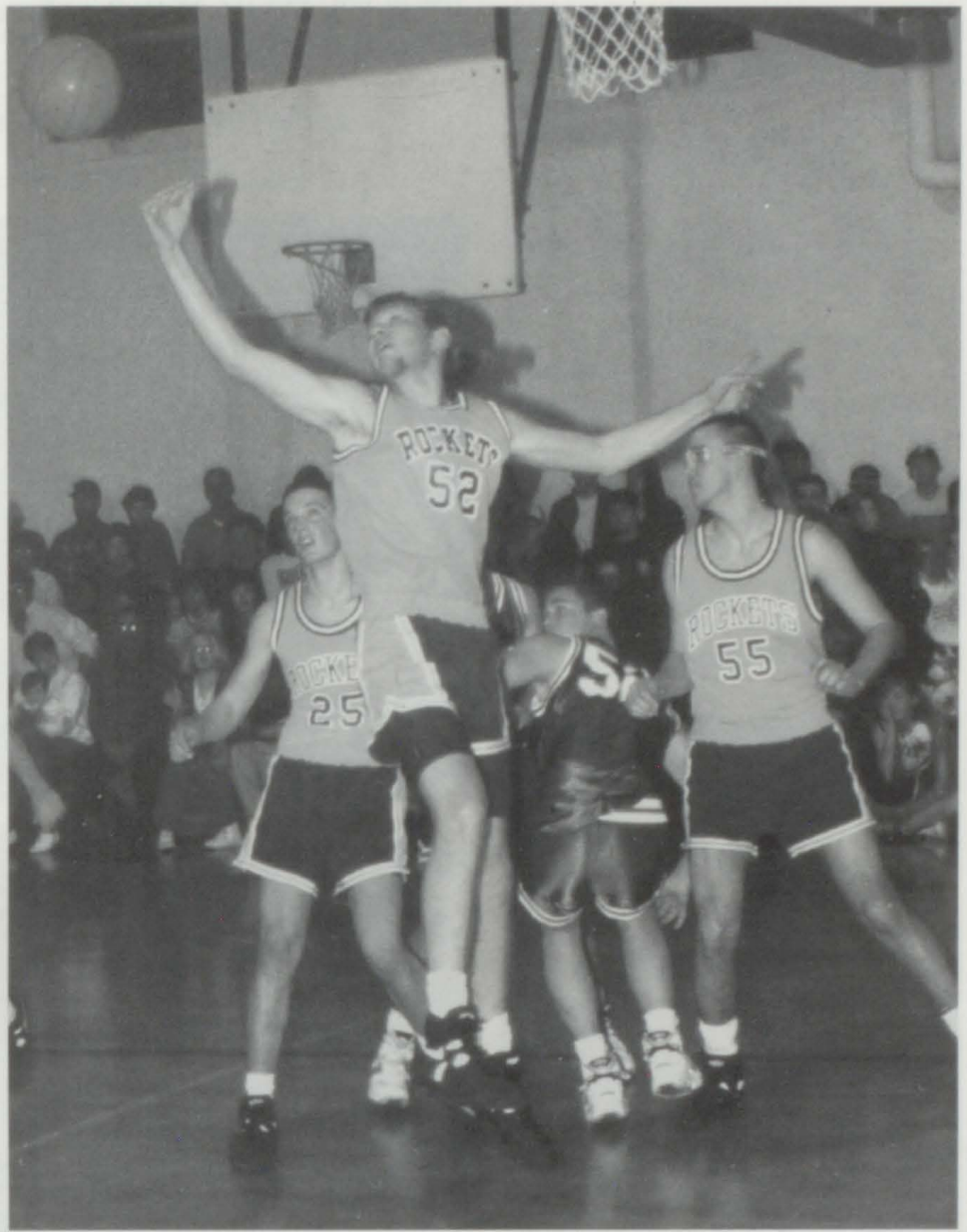
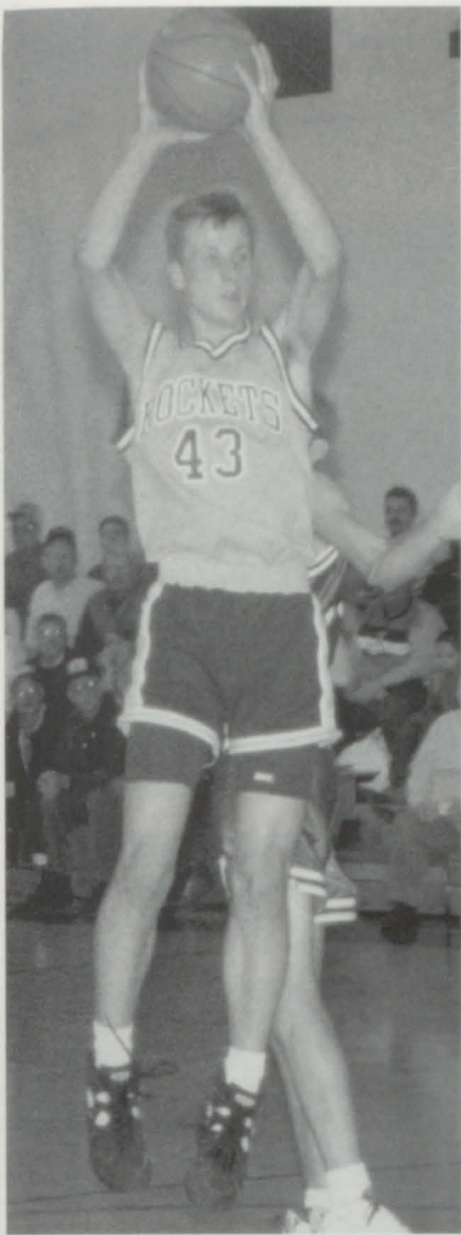
BOTTOM LEFT: David Alan Lambert moves past Rocky Gap's defense to take the ball up court.



BOTTOM CENTER: Jason Stowers keeps the ball from the double-teaming Eagles.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Smokey Parmenter goes high with a one-handed shot to score over an attempted block by Rocky Gap.





TOP LEFT: Wes Strock out-jumps the defense while he searches for a teammate or a goal.

TOP RIGHT: Shannon Havens reaches for a rebound with the supporting defense of Jason Stowers and Andy Selfe.

BOTTOM — VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM — Front Row: Todd Morehead, Bradley Tate-senior, David Alan Lambert-senior, Monty Matthews-senior, Brian Waddle-senior.

Back Row: Allen Brown-senior, Smokey Parmenter, Wesley Strock-senior, Andy Selfe, Shannon Havens-senior, Jason Stowers-senior. Coach Rich Hankins not pictured.

Volleyball interest skyrocketed

“Bump, set, kill” is often a quote you hear associated with volleyball. Volleyball has become a popular sport at Bland High School. The interest in it has skyrocketed since Miss Teena Morefield became coach. Volleyball requires determination and skill, stamina, and a strong desire to win. The varsity team will lose six seniors next season which will be replaced by upcoming players. Anita Sage made the All-District Team.

The junior varsity was successful in its quest for victories. They demonstrated much promise for a new season. Volleyball is a competitive sport and Bland has proved their adeptness in the game.

TOP-JV VOLLEYBALL TEAM-Front Row: Whitney Gamble, Cindy King, Jamie McMillan, Faye Wolfe, Tanya Sarver. **Back Row:** Sarah Smith, Erin Thompson, Kelli King, Ashley Havens, Debbie Munsey, Charlotte Nunn, Sondra Wolfe.

BOTTOM: Ashley Havens watches Tanya Sarver set up to Rae Romano.



JV SCOREBOARD

US		THEM
15	Pocahontas	0
15		6
15	Auburn	8
15		3
15	Rocky Gap	7
15		11
1	Galax	15
5		15
15	Grayson	11
1		15
15		8
15	Narrows	7
16		18
15		6
15	Ft. Chiswell	8
15		8
15	Auburn	12
8		15
15		10
15	Ft. Chiswell	11
15		5
16	Rocky Gap	14
15		7
15	Grayson	7
15		6
14	Galax	16
8		15
15	Narrows	3
15		6

WON-11 LOST-2

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM-Front Row-Seniors: Anita Sage Bobbi Hobbs, Jessica Turner, Joanie Lambert, Coru Ramsey. **Back Row:** Lisa Owens, Leslie Kelley, Jamie Goss, Melanie Talbert, Pachess Umbarger, Amie Goss, Cheryl Brunk, Melissa Richardson.

BOTTOM LEFT: Shannon Enoch demonstrates the power in "powerball volleyball".

BOTTOM RIGHT: A little jump for Melanie Talbert and the ball is across the net.



VARSITY SCOREBOARD		
US		THEM
15	Pocahontas	7
15		5
11	Auburn	15
4		s15
5	Rocky Gap	15
15		12
6		15
8	Galax	15
9		5
13	Grayson	15
4		ss15
12	Narrows	15
13	s	15
4	Ft. Chiswell	15
5		s15
1	Auburn	15
9		15
6	Rocky Gap	15
7		15
15	Grayson	7
10		15
12		15
1	Ft. Chiswell	15
8		15
6	Narrows	15
10		15

WON-1 LOST-12



Cheerleading was more than team addition

Through the years cheerleaders have become an important part of the Bland High School sports program. In the beginning they were nothing more than an addition to the team. Now, cheerleading has become a sport of its own. It was strict and

challenging for all those participating. Good stamina and muscle tone were as important to cheerleading as they were to football or basketball.

By learning stunts and cheers at camps, and by many morning practices, BHS cheer-

leaders supported their teams and showed pride in the school. The 8th grade and JV teams were sponsored by Deborah Whitt, and the varsity squads were sponsored by Iris Strock.



TOP — JV CHEERLEADERS: Whitney Gamble, Brooke Kitts, Debbie Munsey, Amy Hanshew, Ashley Havens, Kelly Dunn, Sarah Smith.

BOTTOM LEFT — 8TH GRADE CHEERLEADERS—Bottom: Casie Pruitt. **Middle:** Katie Muncy, Leslie Gordon. **Top:** Renee Gross. Not pictured Jessica Umbarger.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Jessica Umbarger.

VARSITY BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS — **Front Row:** Bobbi Hobbs, Cora Ramsey, Anita Sage, Jessica Turner. **Back Row:** Michael Kay Mabe, Marie Dotson, Leslie Kelley, Sheri Blankenship.



VARSITY FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS—**Front Row:** Sarah Shortridge, Cora Ramsey, Anita Sage. **Back Row:** Stephanie Compton, Ashley Akers, Andrea Bruffey.



JV FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS—**Front Row:** Stella Riggs. **2nd Row:** Amanda Jones. **3rd Row:** Amanda Brown, Tracie Jones. **Top:** Heather Stifner.

TOP: The whistle blares and these boys sprint off to a good start in the 100-yard dash.

LEFT: Trying for the basketball shoot, Lindsey Newberry throws the basketball straight up!

BOTTOM RIGHT: In the long jump, Angel Sparks gets a good leap. Teammates Alice Jinn Stone, Logan Tate, Paul Thompson watch her progress.



TOP: Rivals in the sack race hop quickly toward the finish line.
CENTER RIGHT: Gearing up on cheerleading stunts are Cicely Havens, Jessica Umbarger, Amber Simmons.



Cool and windy day did not daunt excited elementary students

Gathering for competition, fun and games, elementary students descended upon the fair grounds. Two separate days were planned for field day, K-3 on May 19 and 4-7 on May 20.

Field day traditionally is a beautiful, bright, sunny day, not so for these two days. Everyone was clad in jackets to protect from the chilly temperatures and brisk wind. Participation in events and excitement of being out of the classroom helped alleviate the adverse weather.

Volunteers came out in droves to help with the events and to serve lunch to students and teachers. Their willingness and

excited assistance encouraged participants to do their best.

By rotating events things kept moving and on task. Primary group events included sack race, relay race, ring toss, bean bag toss, basketball shoot, softball throw, long jump, and timed sprint. Grades 4-7 used running events (100-yard dash, 50-yard dash, 1-mile relay), softball and football throws, basketball shoot, hula hoop, broad jump and frisbee throw. Following lunch they played kickball.

In spite of the cool and windy days, students enjoyed a time of relaxation, togetherness, and a day away from books.

ABOVE CENTER: Taking time out from field day competition are Katie Muncy, Brian Faulkner, Shasta Jones.

BOTTOM LEFT: Shane Umbarger prepares his cupcake while Moiz Dawood bites into a delicious piece of watermelon during lunch break.

Carefree times for K-7

Students in grades K-7 enjoyed life as it came. Most of their time was spent in the classroom, but their free hours gave them moments of playing together, sharing their lives, and getting to know each other.

TOP LEFT: Kindergarten playtime — Justin Webb, Shawn Justice, Katie Bailey work with building blocks before school.



TOP RIGHT: Samantha Bird and Mrs. Carolyn Bane model and explain the use of llama wool in making this poncho during Heritage Day.

BOTTOM LEFT: Joseph Stowers and Trey Morehead dress up for Halloween.

BOTTOM RIGHT: As part of their studies on "The Capitol" Will Pauley, Jessica Kidd, Aaron Pauley put together a jigsaw puzzle of the capitol building.

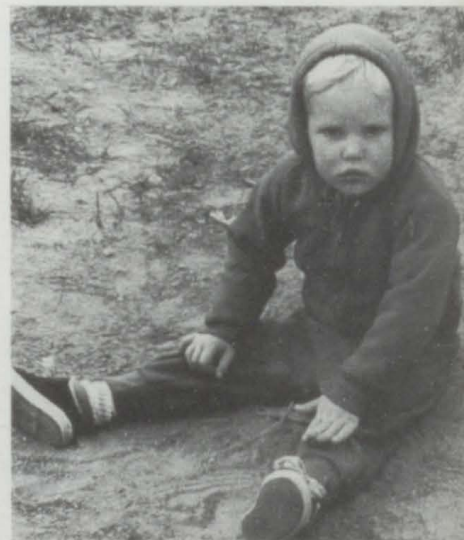


TOP: With the newly established breakfast program, students are assured of a good beginning for each day.

CENTER: Mrs. Barbara Justice's fourth grade class.

BOTTOM LEFT: Chris Harman seems to have the wrong concept of "stealing a base."

BOTTOM RIGHT: Caleb Pauley attends elementary field day.



New students at Bland High/Elementary

High School — Front Row: Tanya Sarver, Melissa Hylton. **2nd Row:** Tessa Sarver, Amanda Jackson. **Back Row:** Jessie Hylton, Chris Beaman.

Bland Elementary — Front Row: Ginny Smith-2nd, Courtney Sheppard-Kindergarten. **2nd Row:** Staci Wheeler-4th, Dana Umbarger-3rd. **Back Row:** Jason Spencer-6th, Christopher Reese-6th, Tim McGlothlin-5th.



On February 17th a county spelling bee was held in the Bland Elementary Library. Nancy Parnell took top honors. She is a 7th grader from Rocky Gap. Other finalists were J.D. Wall, Rocky Gap-8th grade; Andy Sarver, Bland-5th grade; and Erin Johnston, Bland-8th grade.
Andy Sarver, Nancy Parnell, J.D. Wall, Erin Johnston.

Humor aids school spirit

Several faculty members were selected to participate in a pig-kissing contest for a pep rally. Cans placed in the office collected monetary votes. The runner-up, Mrs.

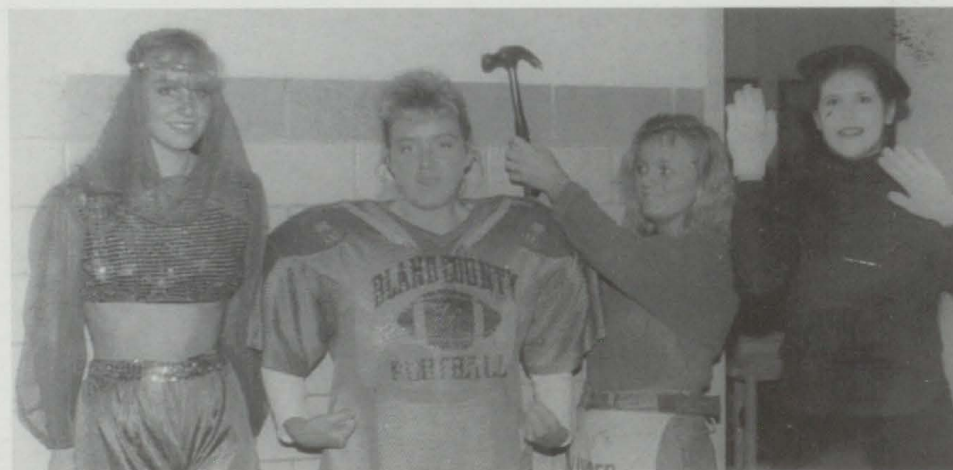
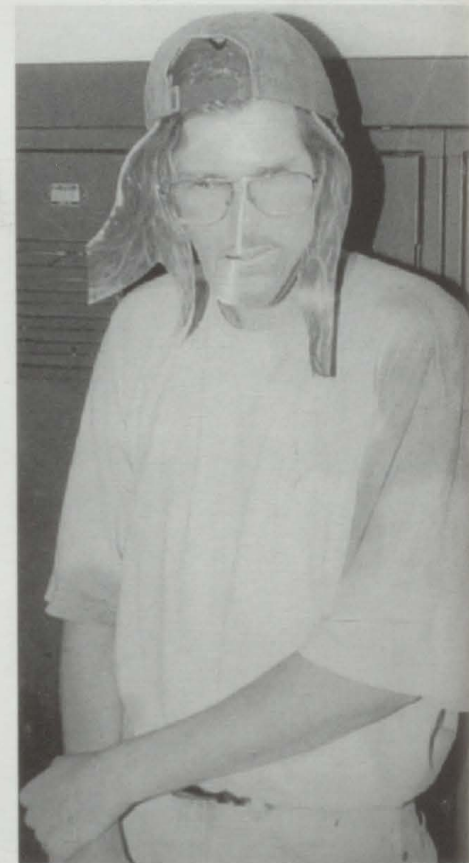
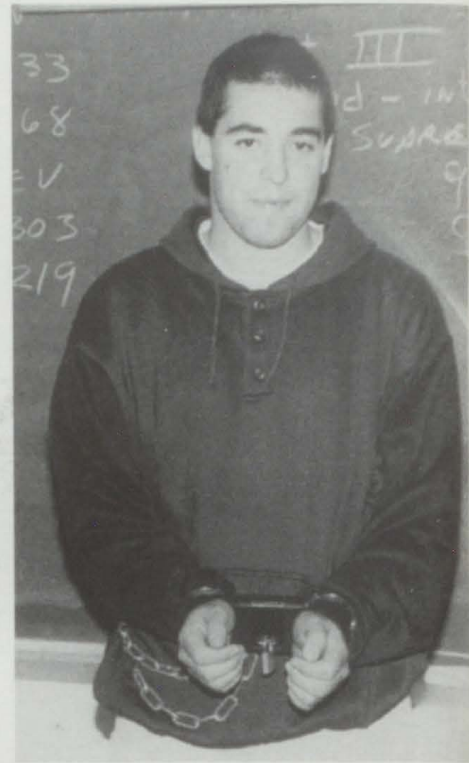
Kay Mabe holds the pig while winner, Mr. Roger Thompson very gently places a kiss on the pig's head.

Monty Matthews doesn't look very pleased in this setup — a prisoner's shackles presentation by Cindy Enoch.

School life can be fun in the right place and right spirit. Even some incidents in the classroom provided an element of humor as well as having a good moral lesson.

Faculty members were always on the receiving end of student's jokes, whether it was kissing a pig or getting a pie in the face. Teachers took this in stride and laughed along with the student body.

Coming up with a new and unusual costume gave students an outlet for vivid imaginations. Sometimes it even made heads turn in admiration.



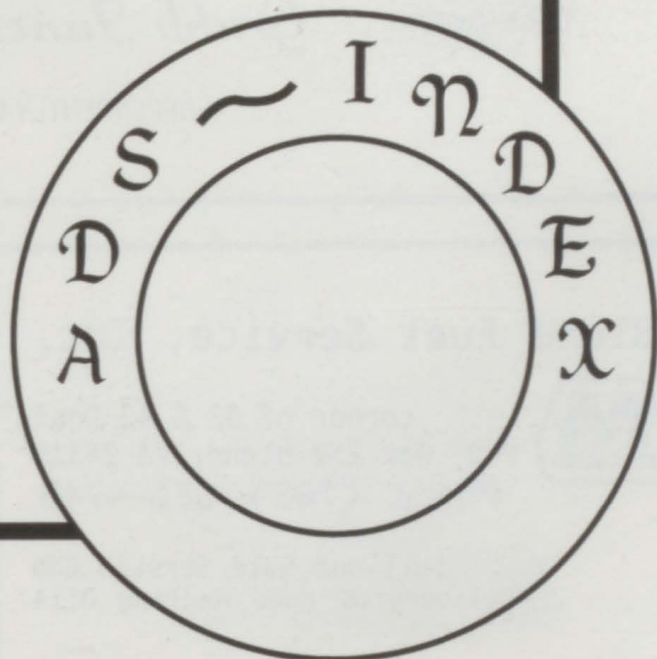
CENTER: Barney Seagle uses modern techniques to shoe this horse at Mechanicsburg.

BOTTOM: Costume day brings out the best and worst in us — Cindy Berg, Anita French, Cora Ramsey, Anita Sage

Depicting what **could** happen to you if you smoke, Jamy Nunn dons a cutout face of Jeffrey Dahmler.



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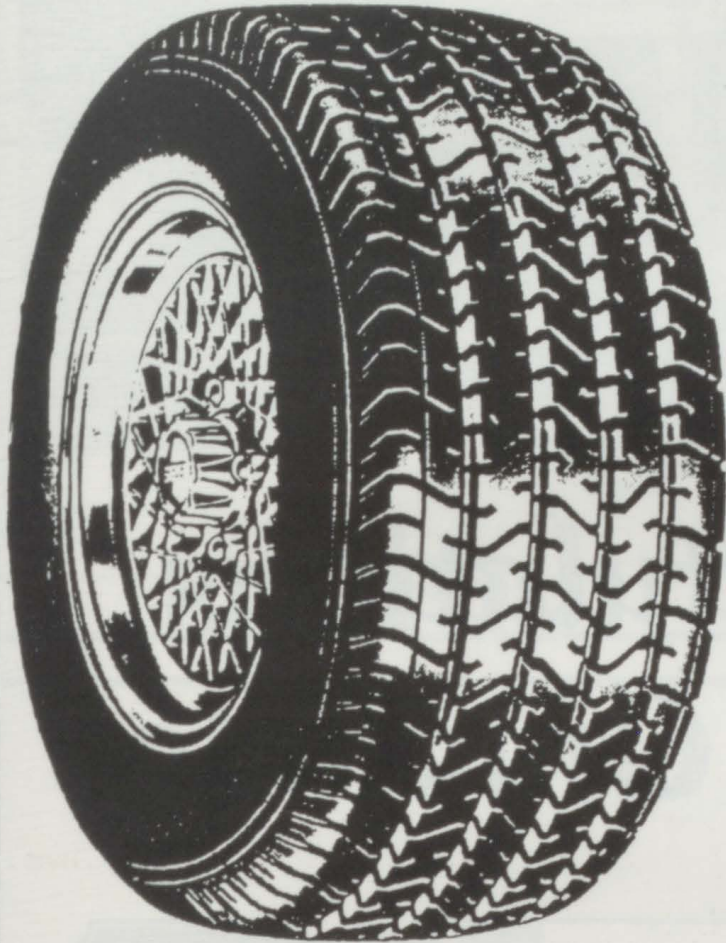
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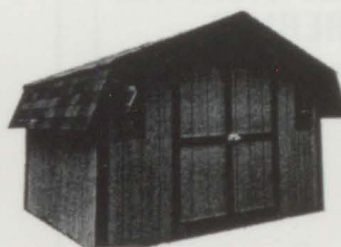


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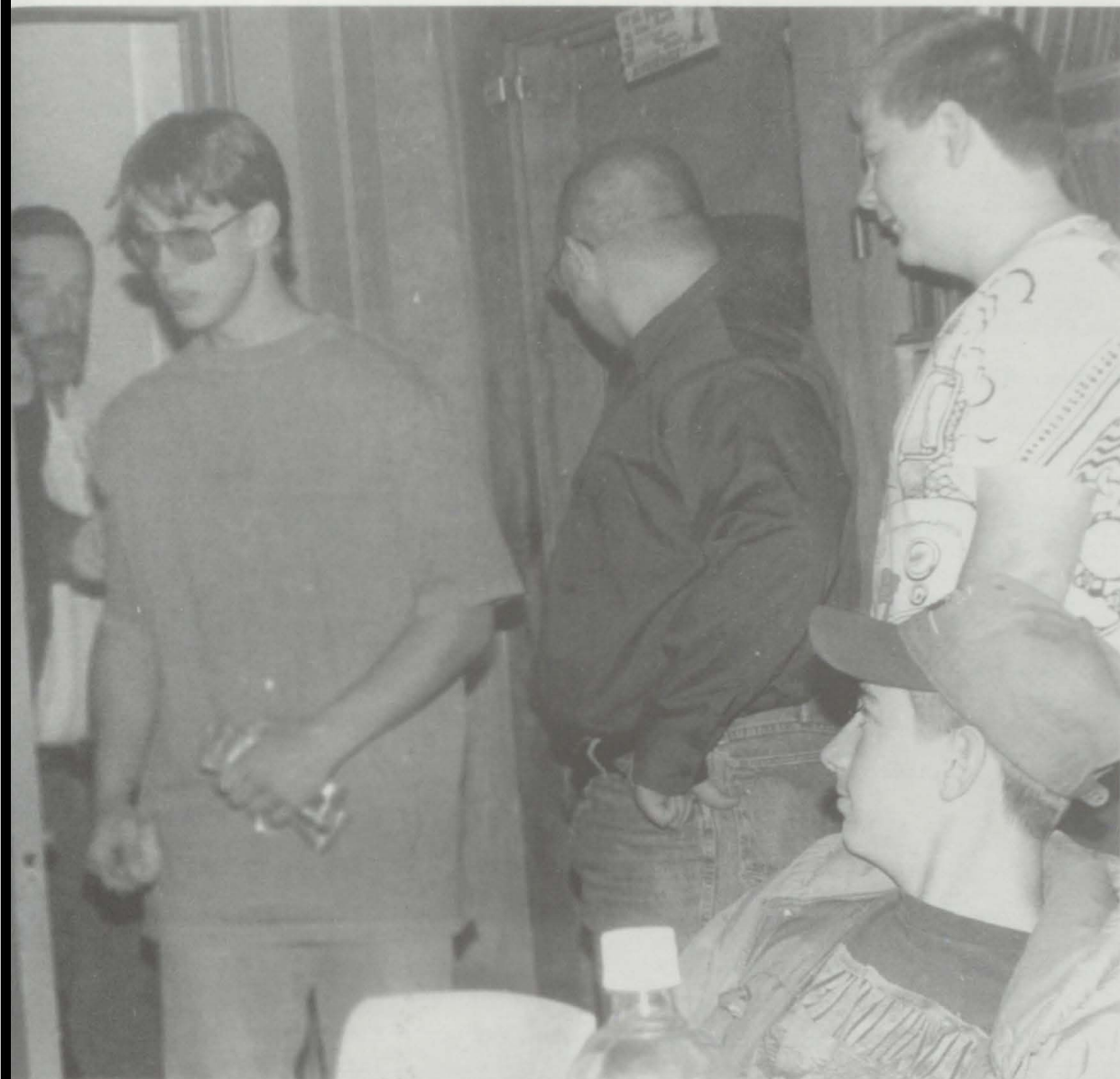
Fashion changes through the years



CENTER LEFT: Can you identify these people?

CENTER: From the 70's with Mr. Fred Beamer and bell-bottomed Debbie Dillow.

CENTER RIGHT/BOTTOM: Comparing uniforms over several decades — basketball went from short to long while cheerleaders went from long to short. Players are Eileen Dillow Belcher and Kelly Dunn, cheerleaders on left are Marie Dillow Lambert and Delores Shockley Thompson. Upper picture: Polly Smith, Nadine Bridges, Betty Hylton.



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Samuel Edison Blankenship

Jerry and Stella Blankenship; **Clubs:** FFA (8-12); **Sports:** JV Football (9), Varsity Football (10-12)

Gary Allen Brown

Steve and Nancy Brown; **Honors:** Basketball letter and bar, golf bar (11), All-District Baseball (11); **Offices Held:** 10th Grade Class Vice President; **Clubs:** FBLA (9,10), French Club (10-12), WCC Talent Search (9-12); **Sports:** JV Basketball (8-10), JV Baseball (10), Golf (11,12), Varsity Baseball (11,12), Varsity Basketball (11,12); **Other:** Football Homecoming Escort (12), Basketball Homecoming Escort (12), Echo Escort (9,11), Snow Court Escort (10), Prom Committee (11)

Charles Kenneth Burton

Toni Robinson, Charles Burton; **Offices:** Class Treasurer (9), Class Secretary/Treasurer (10); **Sports:** Football (8), JV Baseball (9), JV Basketball (10); **Other:** FFA State Delegate (11)

Robert Owen Chewning

Robert and Cathy Chewning; **Honors:** Football letter (10,12), Baseball letter (11,12); **Offices:** Class President (10), Class Treasurer (12); **Clubs:** FFA (8-12); **Sports:** Football (8,10,12), Baseball (9,11-12)

Justin Brent Eaton

Jerry and Denise Eaton; **Honors:** Forensics District Boys' Oratory-1st (10-12) Regional-3rd (10-11), Honorable Mention Defensive End-Football (11), 1st Team All-District Defensive End (12) Who's Who in High School Athletics (12); **Offices:** Battalion Commander Bland Co. Band (12), Photography President (11), Newspaper — Sports editor (10), Co-editor (11), Editor (12); **Clubs:** FBLA (12), Photography (11-12), Band (8-12), Newspaper (9-12), Yearbook (11-12), Forensics (10-12); **Sports:** Football — (7), JV (8-9), Varsity (10-12), Baseball — JV (9), Varsity (10-12), 8th Softball; **Other:** Public Speaking FBLA (12), Homecoming Escort (12-runner-up), Snow Court Escort (9-12), Army Reserve-PV1,PV2 (12) SR. Bowling League (12)

Shannon Leigh Enoch

Philip and Cindy Enoch; **Honors:** Letters — Basketball (10-12), Volleyball (11-12), Tennis (9-12), Band (8-10); **Offices:** FHA 2nd Vice President (12), Photography Secretary (12); **Clubs:** FLHA (8-12), FBLA (9,12), French (10-12), Library (8-10), Photography (10-12), Yearbook (8-10), Band (8-10), Drama (8-9), Newspaper (11,12), 4-H (8), Upward Bound (8-12); **Sports:** Basketball — JV (8), Varsity (9-12), Volleyball — JV (9,10), Varsity (11-12), Tennis (9-12); **Other:** Snow Court candidate (11), Basketball Homecoming candidate (9), Miss BHS contestant (11).

Bradley Stephen Gordon

Terry and Sharon Gordon; **Honors:** Baseball letter (11); **Clubs:** 4-H (8-10), FFA (9-10); **Sports:** 8th Grade Basketball, Varsity Baseball (11)

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Richard and Nancy Hall; **Offices:** 4-H Secretary (11); **Clubs:** 4-H (8-11), Jr. Beta (9), French (10-12), FHA

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Donald Hale Havens

Lewis and Elaine Havens; **Honors:** Medals — English (8-9), Math (8), History (11), Letter/Bar-Football, 1st Team All-District Center (12); **Clubs:** Beta (10-12), Jr. Beta (9), FFA (8-9,11), FBLA (9), French (10-12); **Sports:** Football (8-12); **Other:** Co-Captain Bland Co. Bears (12) **Eric Shannon Havens**
Barry and Brenda Havens; **Honors:** FFA Greenhand (8), Perfect attendance (8), Letter/Bar Basketball (8-12) MVP JV Basketball (10), MVP Varsity Basketball (11), Player of the Year — Bland Messenger in Assoc. with Nationwide Insurance (11), All-District team Basketball (11-12); **Clubs:** FFA (8-12), VICA (12); **Sports:** Basketball-8th (7), JV-(8-10) Varsity-(11-12); **Other:** KVG Member (11-12)

Karen Denise Havens

Larry and Josie Havens; **Honors:** Perfect attendance (10-11); **Offices:** FHA Recreation leader (11); **Clubs:** FHA (8-12), Library (10), VICA (11), Talent Search (10-12); **Other:** Wythe County Vocational School Cosmetology (11-12)

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Jimmy Hobbs and Joyce Chandler; **Honors:** Accounting I (10), Biology II (11), Trigonometry (11), Who's Who Among American High School Students (11), National Foreign Language Award (10), 3rd place district Forensics in Girls Poetry (11), Cheerleading letter/bar, Varsity Volleyball letter/bar/insert, Math MACC letter/bar/insert, All-around MACC letter/bar/insert, Basketball letter; **Offices Held:** Co-Editor Newspaper Staff; **Clubs:** Jr. Beta (9), Sr. Beta (10-12), FBLA (9-11), French Club (10-12), Forensics (10-12), Photography Club (9-10), Newspaper Staff (8-12), Yearbook Staff (8-10), Drama Club (9), Library Club (8-10), FHA (8); **Sports:** JV Cheerleading (9-10), Varsity Cheerleading (11-12), Varsity Basketball (10), JV Volleyball (9-10), Varsity Volleyball (11-12); **Other:** Math MACC (9-11), Science MACC (8), All-around MACC (8-10), Snow Court (9), Homecoming Court (11), Band (8)

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Brock Alan Justice

Bruce and Barbara Justice; **Honors:** Baseball letter, Golf letter; **Offices Held:** VICA Vice President (12); **Clubs:** 4-H (8-10), FFA (8,10,12), VICA (12); **Sports:** 8th grade basketball (8), Baseball (9-11), Golf (9,10)

Jamie Lynn Kidd

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kidd; **Honors:** Perfect Attendance (8-10), Varsity letter (10), Career Manual 1st Place, US History Award (11), Regional Career Manual, 3rd Place State, Forensics Spelling 1st District, Forensics Girls Original Oratory 2nd District, MACC letter (8), Social Studies MACC bar (9-12), All-around MACC bar (9-12); **Offices Held:** Social Studies MACC co-captain (11-12), All-around Captain (11), FBLA President (12), JV Volleyball co-captain (11), Library Club secretary (10), SCA treasurer (11), Newspapers features Editor (10), Newspaper Student Life (11), Newspaper Co-editor (12); **Clubs:** Drama (8-10), FHA (8-9), 4-H (8-12), Social Studies MACC (8-12), All-around MACC (9-12), FBLA (9-12), Beta (10-12), Jr. Beta (9), SCA (11-12), Newspaper (9-12),

Forensics (9-12), Upward Bound (8-12), Yearbook Staff (9-10), Choir (12), French Club (10-11); **Sports:** JV Volleyball (9-10), Varsity Volleyball (11), Varsity Basketball (10); **Other:** Prom Committee (11), Snow Court Candidate (10)

David Alan Lambert

David and Marie Lambert; **Honors:** Pre-algebra (8), 2nd team all district-football (10), 2nd team all district baseball (10), 2nd team all district-football (11), All district and all Region in baseball (11), Player of the year, All district quarterback and line backer, all region, 2nd team all timesland (12), Varsity bar (10), letters (11,12), Offensive Player of the Year-football (11); **Offices Held:** Vice President Jr. Beta (9), Varsity Football Captain (10-12), Varsity Basketball Captain; **Clubs:** Jr. Beta (9), French Club (10-12), FBLA (11-12), Beta (12), SCA (9,10); **Sports:** JV Basketball (8-9), JV Football (8-9), JV Baseball (9), Varsity Football (10-12), Varsity Basketball (10-12), Varsity Baseball (10-12)

Joanie Marie Lambert

Wayne and Mary Lambert; **Honors:** 3rd place New River Region FBLA competition (9), VHSL Academic Excellence Awards-Volleyball (11), Forensics (10), Medals — Physical Science (8), Earth Science (9), Biology (10), English (11), MACC Letter (9-10), V-Ball letter (11-12), Honor Letter (10), Who's Who Among American High School Students (11-12), Southwest VA Governor's School for Science, Math & Technology (11-12) Region III Gov. School for Science, Math & The Arts (10-12); **Offices:** Class V. President (9), Jr. Beta President (9), Photo Club v. President (10); **Clubs:** FHA (8), MACC (8-10), Band (8-9), ED. Talent Search (9-12), Photography (10,12), Jr. Beta (9), Yearbook (9-10), Newspaper (-10), Sr. Beta (10-12), Library (9-10), FBLA (9), French (10,12), Forensics (10), Academic Enrichment Program (9-12); **Sports:** Volleyball (10-12), Cheerleader (8-9); **Other:** Homecoming Court (9), Honorable Mention-1994 SWVGS Science Consortium (11)-1994 Blue Ridge Highlands Regional Science Fair (11).

James Robert McAfee Joseph and Deena McAfee; **Honors:** Defensive Player of the year (11), All District line backer (11), All district receiver (12), Honorable mention linebacker (12), Honorable mention catcher (12); **Offices Held:** 11th grade class treasurer; **Sports:** Varsity Football (11,12), Varsity Baseball (11,12); **Other:** Forensics (11,12)

Cynthia Renee McGrady

Karen and Andre McGrady; **Honors:** MACC letter and Insert (11), Perfect Attendance (9); **Offices Held:** FHA Secretary (11), Photography Club President (12), Yearbook Staff Business Manager (12); **Clubs:** FHA (8-12), Drama (8-9), Library Club (9-10), Yearbook Staff (9-12), Newspaper Staff (9-12), Photography (10-12), Talent Search (9-12); **Other:** Snow Court (9,11), Football Homecoming Court (10), Sweetheart candidate (10), English MACC team (11), Mr. Bland escort (10), Miss BHS Candidate (11,12)

James Montgomery Matthews

James W. and Joyce H. Matthews; **Honors:** Who's Who Among American High School Students (12), Baseball, Football, Basketball letters (10), Baseball all district catcher (10), All-district shortstop (11), All-district football wide receiver, punter, placekicker, safety (12), All-district wide receiver, punter, placekicker (11), All-district placekicker (10), All-region and all-state placekicker (12); **Offices Held:** SCA President (12); **Clubs:** French Club (10-12), SCA (10-12), Sr. Beta (12); **Sports:** JV Basketball

(9), JV Baseball (9), JV Football (9), Varsity Basketball (10-12), Varsity Baseball (10-12), Varsity Football (10-12); **Other:** Snow Court (10), Homecoming Es-cort (10)

Pamela Jane Meadows

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Meadows; **Honors:** Basketball letter, volleyball bar, tennis bar, cheerleading bar; **Of-fices Held:** FHA Chaplain (10), 8th Grade class secretary, SCA secretary (8); **Clubs:** FHA (8-10,12), FBLA (9,10), SCA (8), Yearbook Staff (8,9), VICA (12), Drama (8), Newspaper Staff (8), Library Club (8), French Club (10), Photo Club (10); **Sports:** JV Basketball (8), Tennis (8-10,12), JV Volleyball (9), Varsity football cheerleader (10), JV football cheerleader (9); **Other:** Homecoming Court (8), Miss Echo can-didate (9)

Meagan Laura Morehead

Rex and Sharon Morehead; **Honors:** Civics (8), Pre-algebra (8), Sociology (11), National Foreign Language Award (10), National English Merit Award (10,11), National Journalism (12), Perfect Attendance (10,11), Who's Who Among American High School Students (10,11), National Leadership (11); **Offices Held:** Library Club treasurer (10), Photography Club vice president (11), FHA Sargeant at Arms (12), Junior Class President, Senior Class President, Yearbook Staff Editor (12); **Clubs:** FHA (8-12), Library Club (9,10), Photography Club (10-12), Yearbook Staff (10-12), French Club (10-12), Jr. Beta (9), Sr. Beta (10-12), FBLA (9), AEP (8-12), WCC Talent Search (9-12); **Sports:** Intramural Softball (11); **Other:** Snow Court Candidate (12), Homecoming Queen (12)

Robert Lee Morehead

Edward L. and Patricia T. Morehead; **Honors:** Amer-ican History (8), World Geography (9), US History (11), Physical Science (8), Earth Science (9), Biology I (10), English (8), English (9), English (10), English (11), Algebra II (10), Bland County Band Outstanding Musician (7,9,11), Forensics (extemporaneous speak-ing) 2nd in MED, 1st in region C and 4th in state (11), MED Academic Excellence Award (8-11), DAR Good Citizenship Award, Who's Who Among American High School Students (11,12), United States Achiev-ement Academy National Awards (11,12), Virginia Governor's School Certificate of Commendation (10-12); **Offices Held:** SCA Representative (10), Jr. class vice president (11), Senior Beta Club President (12), Bland County Band Trumpet Section Leader (8-12), Bland County Band Brigade Commander (12); **Clubs:** Concert Band, Jazz Band, Marching Band (6-12), Foren-sics (Extemporaneous speaking) (9-12), Social Studies MACC (9-12), All-around MACC (11,12), Jr. Beta Club (9), Sr. Beta Club (10-12), SCA (10), Newspaper Staff (9-12), FBLA (12), Yearbook Staff (12); **Sports:** 8th grade basketball (7,8), JV Basketball (9,10); **Other:** Prom Committee (11)

John Paul Nunley

Carlyn and Harry Nunley; **Clubs:** FFA (8-11)

Fredrick Vaden Payne

Cheryl Miller and Fred Payne; **Clubs:** FFA (11), FHA (12); **Sports:** Baseball; **Other:** Snow Court (11,12)

Cora Leigh Ramsey

William and Theresa Ramsey; **Honors:** Lifeskills I (8), Algebra I (9), Snow Court 2nd runner up (11), Beta Group talent 2nd place, Varsity letter in football cheer-leading and a bar, varsity letter in volleyball and a bar, varsity letter in basketball cheerleading, Perfect At-tendance (8-10); **Offices Held:** Library Club secretary (10), Photography Club Secretary/treasurer (11), Var-sity football cheerleading captain (11), Varsity bas-ketball cheerleading captain (12), English MACC cap-tain (12), FHA President (12), Beta secretary (12), French Club Vice president (12); **Clubs:** FHA (8-12),

Jr. Beta (9), Beta (10-12), FBLA (9), Library Club (9,10), Photography Club (10-12), Yearbook Staff (10-12), French Club (10-12), WCC Talent Search (10-12), English MACC (12); **Sports:** JV Football Video Tech (10), JV Volleyball (10), Varsity Football cheer-leader (11,12), Varsity volleyball (11,12), Varsity Basketball cheerleader (12), Intramural softball (11); **Other:** Prom Committee (11), Snow Court (11,12), Beta Talent (10), Football Homecoming Court (12)

Dianna Christine Ramsey

JD and Dianna Ramsey; **Clubs:** FHA (10-12)

Tanya Lavonne Ramsey

William and Mary Ramsey; **Honors:** Lifeskills I (8), National Foreign Language Award (10), First Place Beta State Photography Contest (10); **Offices Held:** Class secretary (12), FHA Recreation leader (12); **Clubs:** FHA (8-12), FBLA (9), Jr. Beta (9), Library Club (9,10), Photography Club (10-12), French Club (10-12), Yearbook Staff (10-12), Sr. Beta (10-12), WCC Talent Search (9-12); **Other:** Hollybrook Church of Christ youth group

Meranda Kay Rose

Dee and Roger Rose; **Clubs:** FHA (12), HOSA (11,12), Student Council (9), SADD (9,10); **Other:** Band (8)

Anita Lynn Sage

John and Linda Sage; **Honors:** Varsity letter in vol-leyball (11), varsity bars in cheerleading and volleyball (12), Sociology (10), Who's Who Among American High School Students (12), Social Studies MACC (8,9), Science MACC (10); **Offices Held:** FHA 1st vice president (11), Sr. Class vice president, 4-H vice pres-ident (12), Newspaper Editor (12), JV volleyball cap-tain (10), varsity volleyball captain (12), varsity foot-ball cheerleader captain (12), varsity basketball cheerleader captain (12); **Clubs:** FHA (8-12), FBLA (9), French Club (10-12), Newspaper Staff (9-12), One Act Play (8), Drama (9), Library Club (9,10), Pho-tography Club (10-12), Sr. 4-H Club (10-12), WCC Talent Search (10-12); **Sports:** JV Volleyball (9-10), Varsity volleyball (11,12), varsity football cheerleader (11,12), varsity basketball cheerleader (12), Intramural softball (11); **Other:** Football homecoming court (11), candidate (12), basketball homecoming court (11,12)

Mark Anthony Sarver

Mark and Selby Sarver; **Clubs:** French Club (10); **Sports:** JV basketball (9,10)

Michael E Shelton

Roby Shelton; **Clubs:** FFA (8) **Sports:** Football (8-10)

Sue Ann McBride Sparks

Annie Helen McBride or Jimmy R.E. Sparks; **Honors:** Who's Who Among High School Students (11), Fore-ign Language Award (10); **Clubs:** FHA (8-11), FBLA (10), French (10-11), 4-H (8), Jr. Beta (9), Sr Beta (10-12); **Sports:** Volleyball (9); **Other:** Tutor (12)

William Jason Stowers

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tickle; **Honors:** Letter varsity basketball (11), bar (12), Golf (10); **Clubs:** Jr. Beta (9), Sr. Beta (11,12), FFA (8-10), French Club (10-12), SCA (8); **Sports:** JV Basketball (8-10), Golf (10), Varsity Basketball (11,12); **Other:** Homecoming Court (12), Prom Committee (11)

Wesley Alan Strock

Iris and Alan P. Strock; **Honors:** Letter in Band (10), Varsity basketball (11), varsity heart and hustle award (11); **Offices Held:** Sr. 4-H President (11,12); **Clubs:** Sr. 4-H (8-12), Jr. Beta (9), Sr. Beta (10-12), Newspaper Staff (12), Band (8-10), FFA (9,10), French Club (10-12); **Sports:** varsity basketball (11,12), JV basketball (9,10), 8th basketball (7,8)

Martin Bradley Tate

Hal and Brenda Tate; **Honors:** All-district baseball (11), Honorable mention football (12), Basketball letter, baseball bar, football letter, golf letter, Heart and Hustle (10); **Offices Held:** Beta Club treasurer (12); **Clubs:** SCA (9), Jr. Beta (9), Beta (10-12), FBLA (9), French Club (10-12); **Sports:** Baseball (9-12), basketball (8-12), football (12), golf (11); **Other:** Snow Court (11,12)

April Lynn Tickle

Barry Tickle and Debbie Belcher; **Honors:** Home-coming Court (10), Geometry (9), Algebra II (10), French (10), Honor letter (10), Miss Echo (12); **Of-fices Held:** 8th grade class treasurer, 4-H President (11); **Clubs:** FHA (8-11), Newspaper Staff (9-12), Math MACC (10-12), Jr. Beta (9), FBLA (9), All-around MACC (10), French Club (10), Library Club (10), Sr. Beta (10-12), Photography Club (10-12), Upward Bound (10-12), 4-H Club (10-12), Forensics (11,12), Who's Who Among American High School Students (12), VA Jr. Academy of Science (11,12); **Other:** Southwest VA Governor's School (11,12)

Jessica Dawn Turner

Dave Turner and Arlene Crockett;

Honors: Certificate Track (8), Varsity cheerleading basketball insert (11,12), Varsity volleyball insert (12), English (8), Keyboarding (10), VHSL Academic Award (11), Trigonometry (11), Forensics (11,12), FBLA Public Speaking First Place Regional (10), Per-fect Attendance (10), First place Forensics Humorous District (11), 8th Basketball certificate (8), JV Bas-ketball (9), Varsity Letter and insert (10,11); **Clubs:** French (8-11), Art(9), FBLA (10), Senior Beta (12), Forensics (11,12); **Sports:** 8th Grade Track (8), 8th Basketball (8), Varsity Volleyball (12), Varsity Cheer-leading (11,12) JV Basketball (9), Varsity Basketball (10,11) **Other:** Homecoming Court (10), Miss Echo candidate (10,11), Miss BHS candidate (10), Home-coming Queen (12), Prom committee (11)

James Allen Umbarger

Randy and Phyllis Umbarger; **Honors:** Letter-Golf, Baseball (10-12), MACC letter/insert (11,12); **Clubs:** French (10-12), FBLA (9-11), 4-H (8-12) MACC (11,12); **Sports:** Basketball (8,9), Golf (10-12), Base-ball (9-12)

Brian Matthew Waddle

Robert and Loree Waddle; **Honors:** Baseball Hon-orable Mention (11), Football 2nd team MED guard, Letter/bar-baseball, basketball and football; **Clubs:** FBLA (9), French (10-12); **Sports:** Baseball (9-12), Football (8-12), Basketball (8-12).

Shanon Jo Webb

Iris Page Webb; **Clubs:** FHA (11), VICA (11).

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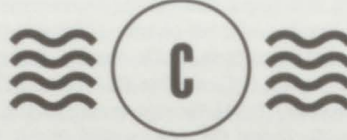


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This chapter of our life comes to a close

Looking back on the year we shared, we were filled with memories. As much as anyone complained about school, we were all really sad to say farewell. Goodbyes were especially poignant for seniors, some of

whom may never see each other again. After 13 years of friendships, ballgames, parties, field trips, jokes, laughter, smiles and tears, we went our separate ways and our only interaction was in sad reminiscence. It is

with this regretful knowledge that we close this yearbook, this year of '94-'95, and this chapter in our lives.

(Meagan Morehead)

The empty halls were silent and the echoes of '94-'95 resounded only in the deep recesses of our memories.



COLOPHON

The 1995 yearbook, *The Echo*, was produced by students from the ninth, tenth, and twelfth grades. They selected Chancery type style and added eight pages for a total of 152 plus a 4-page color tip-in for seniors. They chose gold and maroon for the colors to

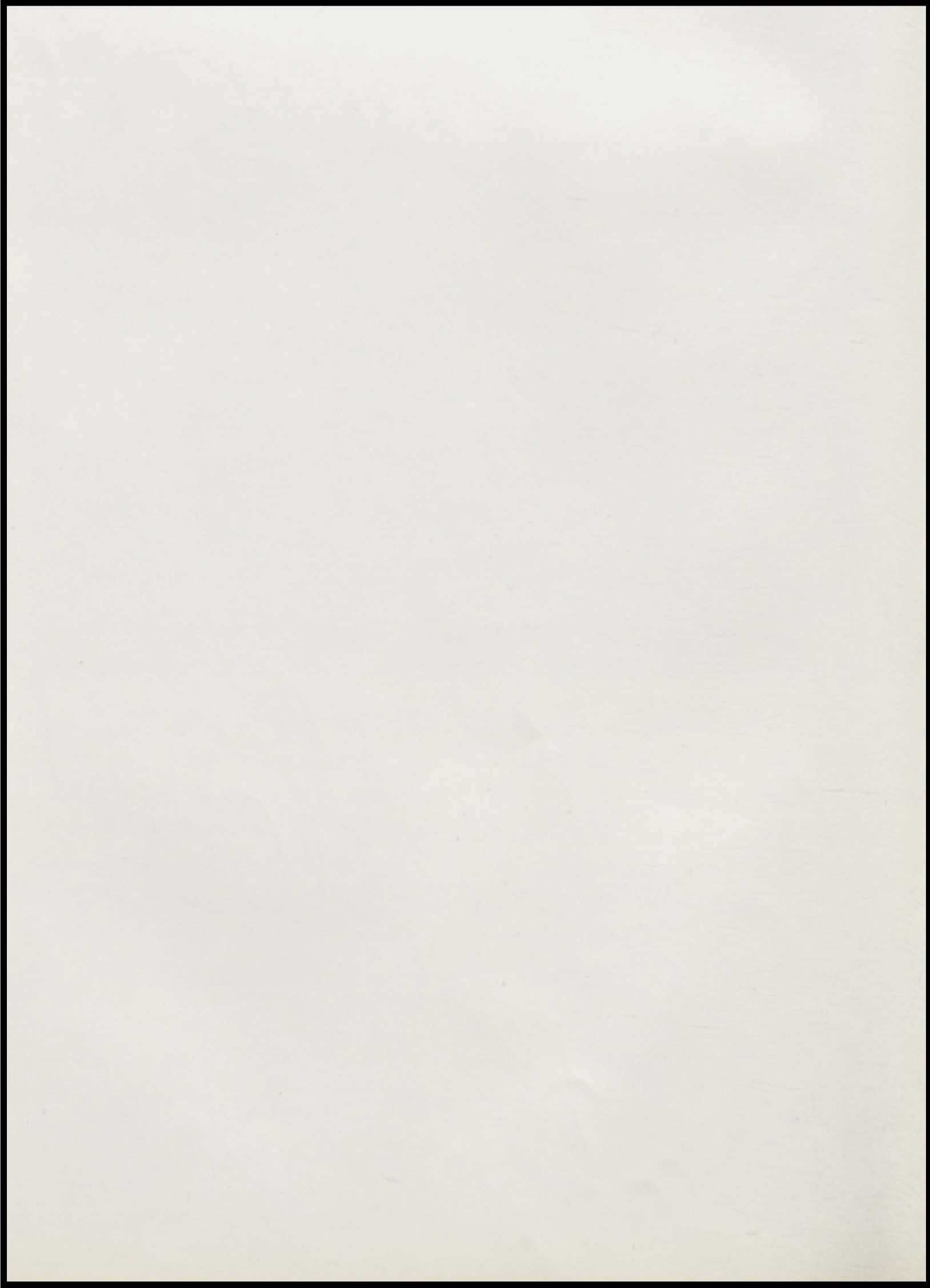
signify the 50th anniversary as well as the school colors. They added an 8-page news booklet to be set in the back pages.

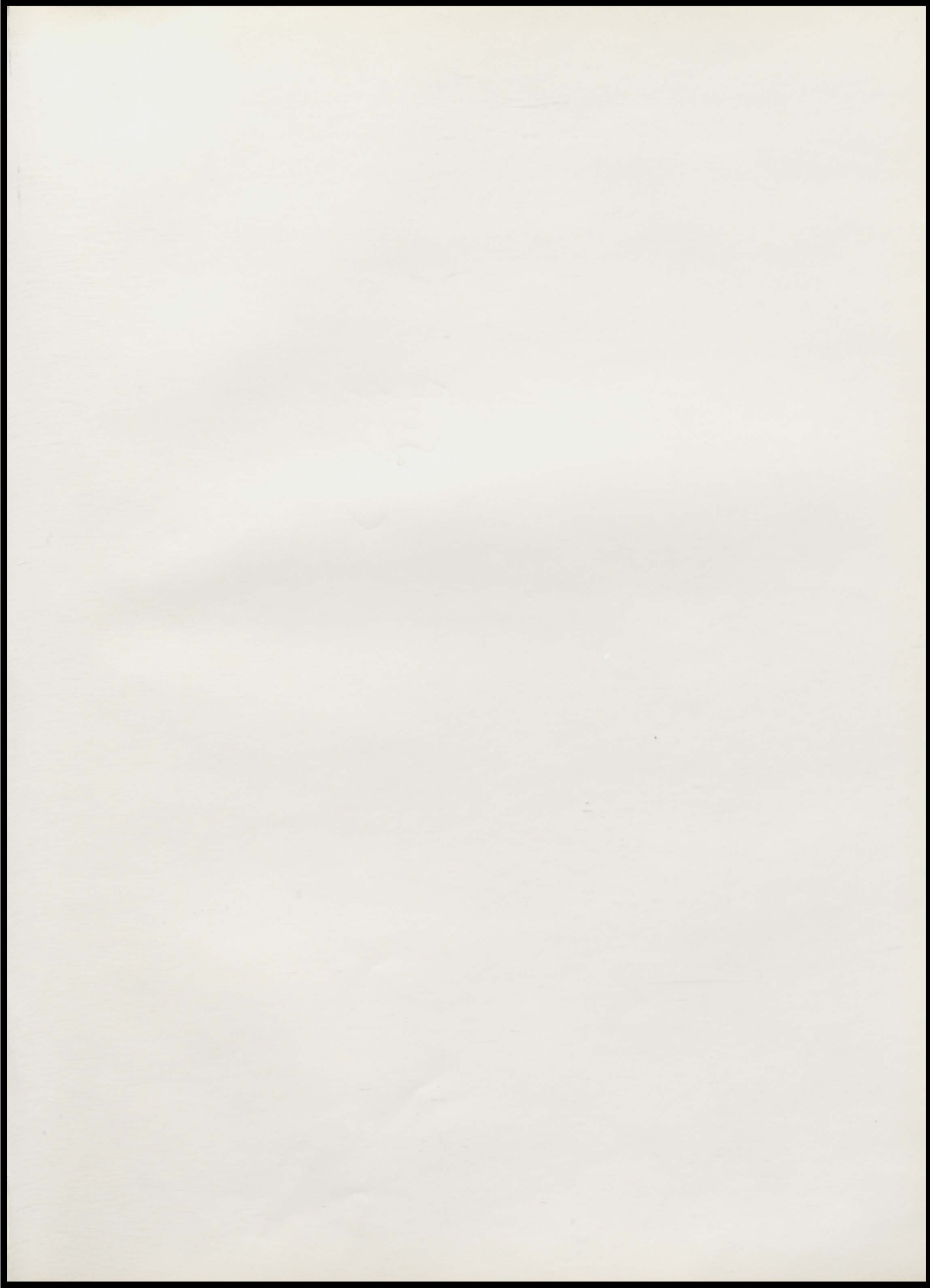
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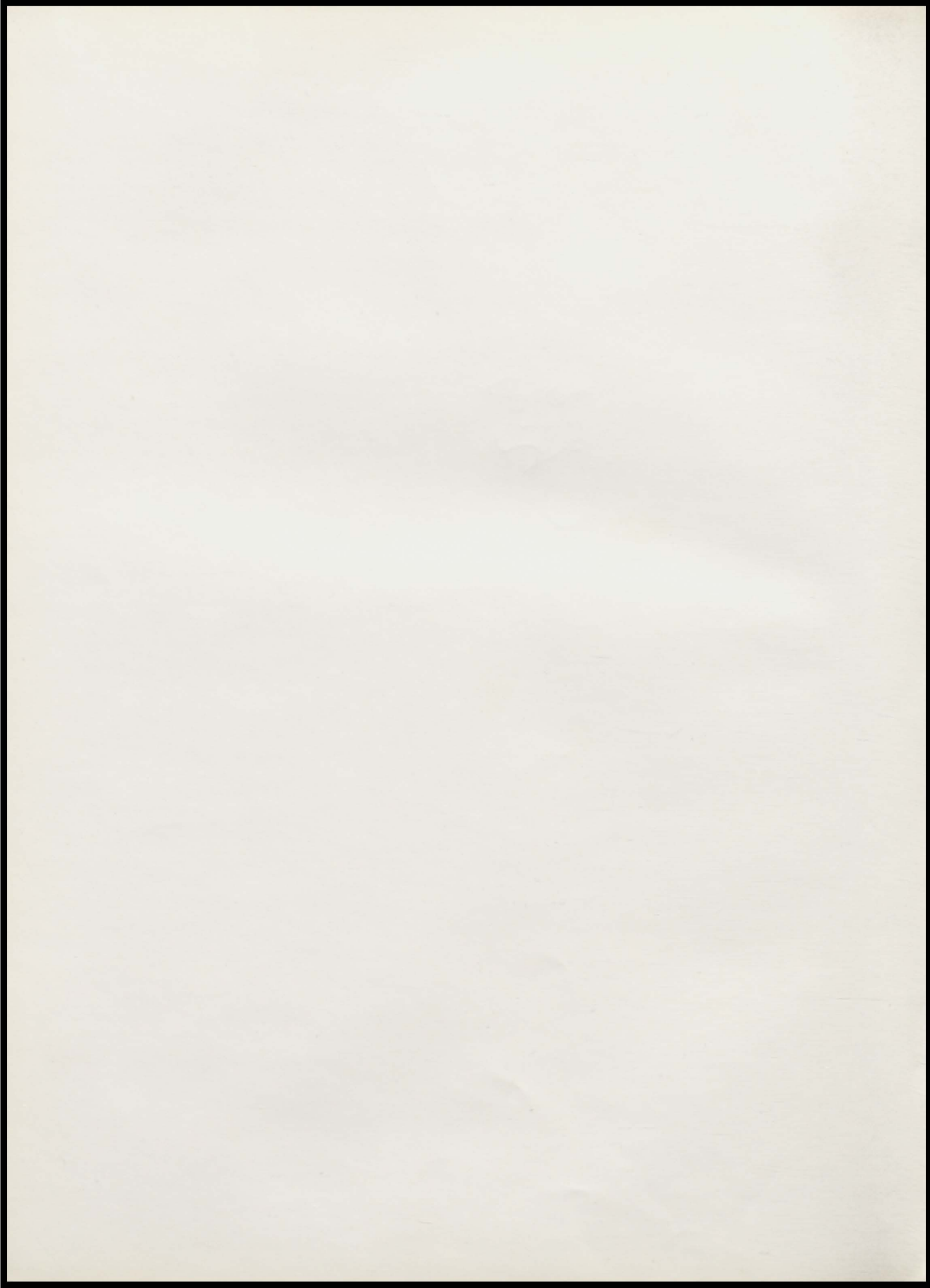
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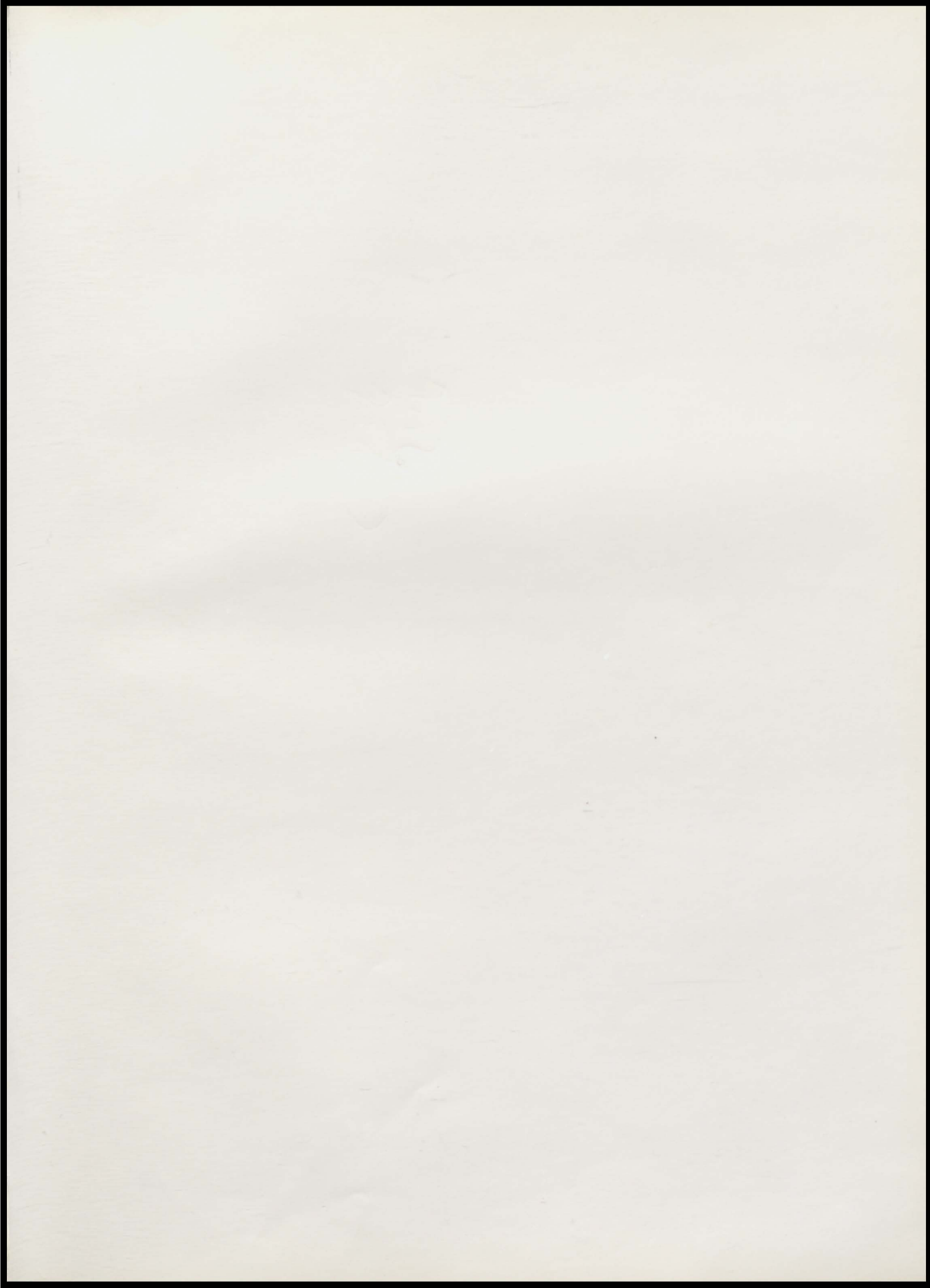


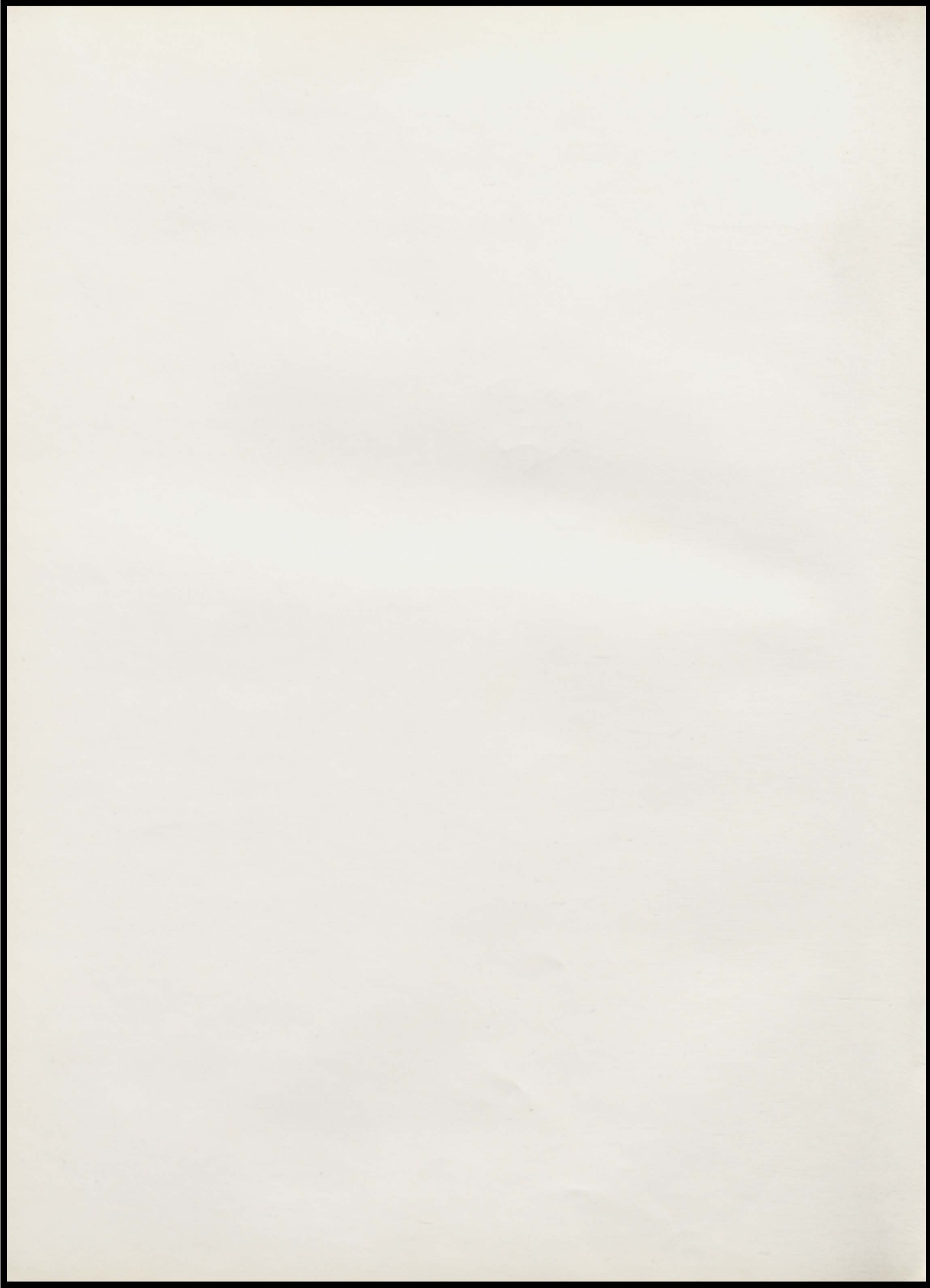
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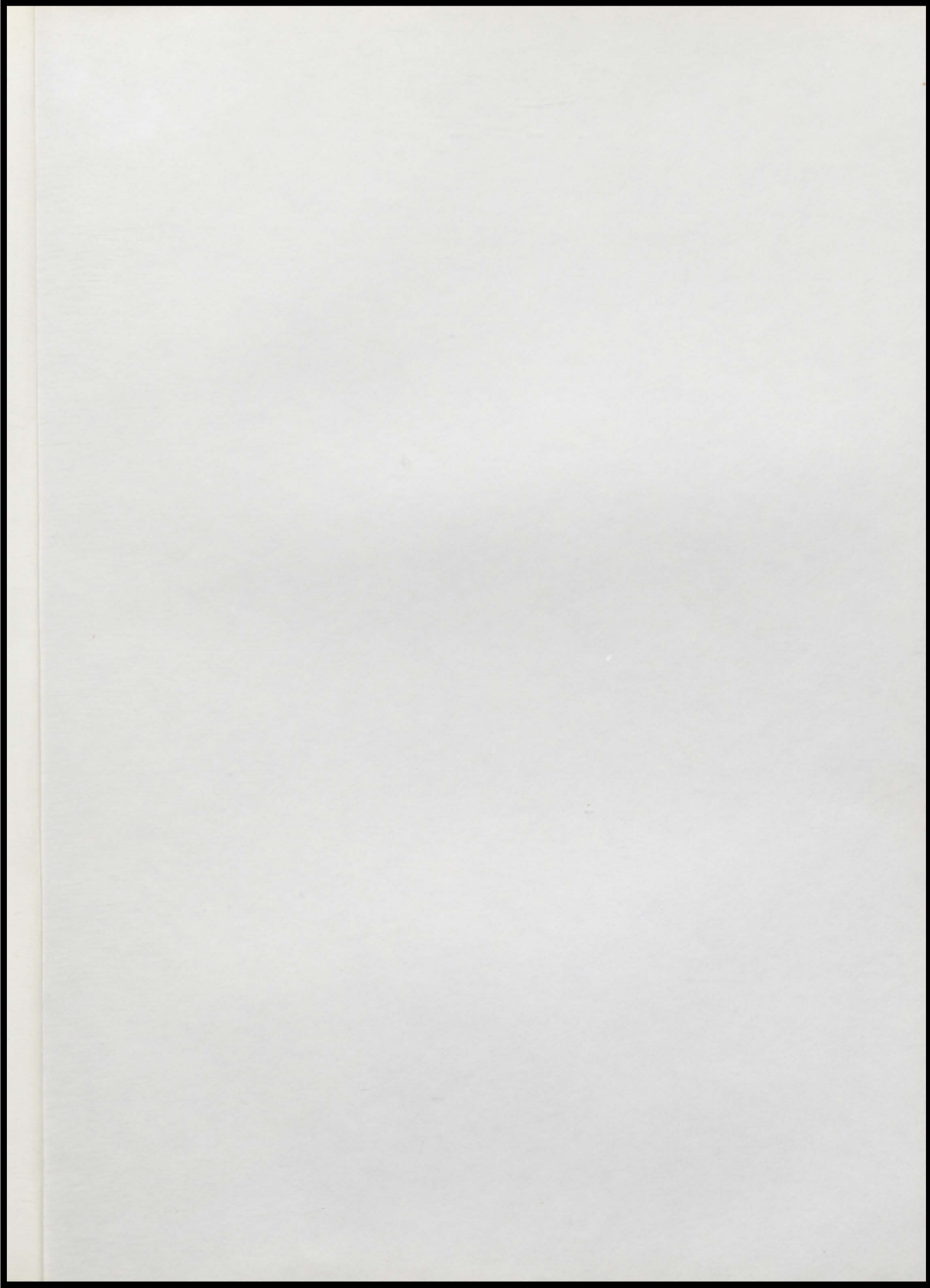


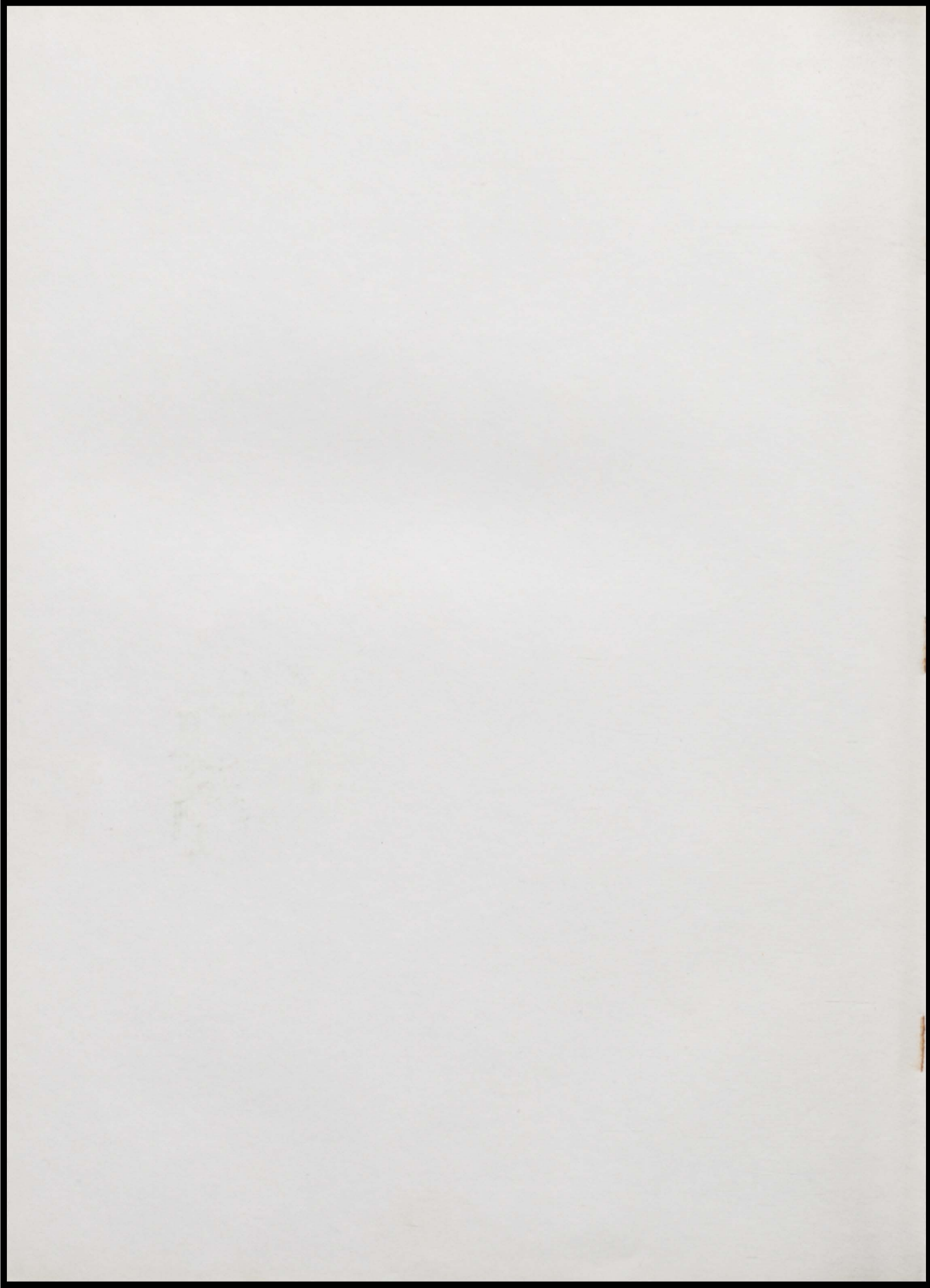








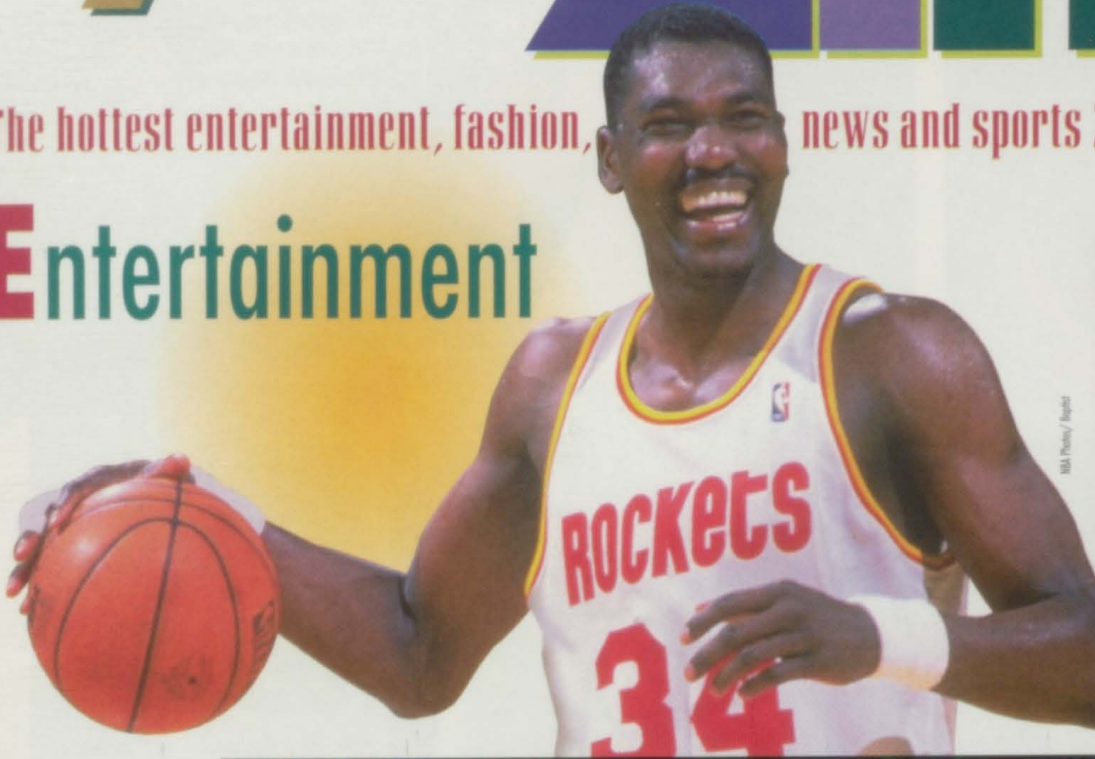




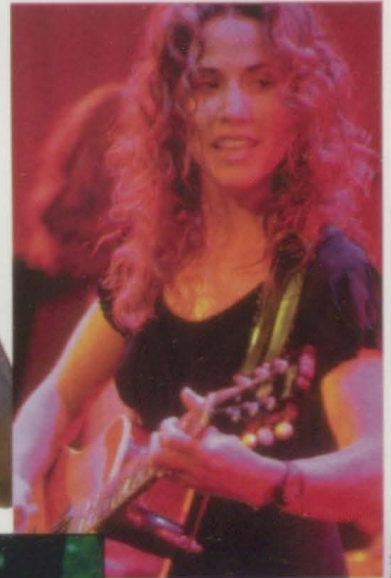
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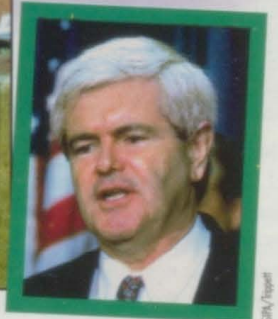


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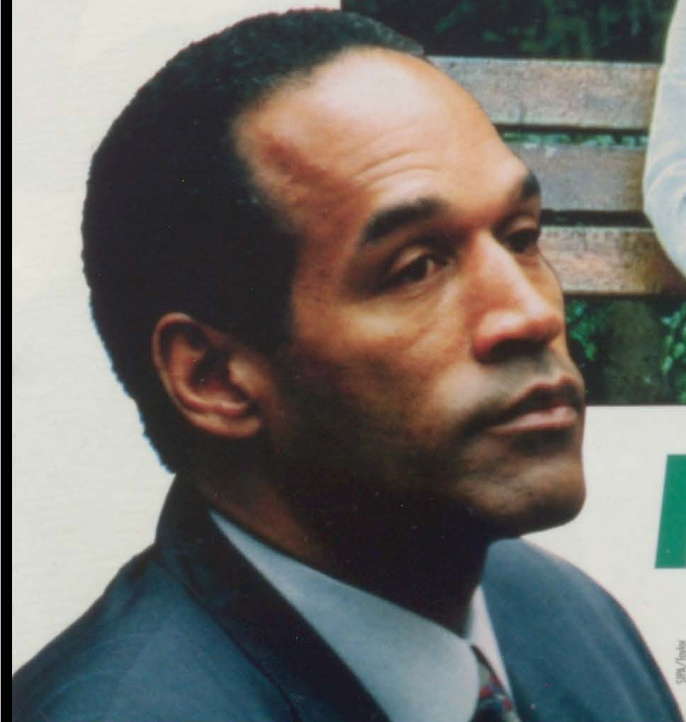
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President Clinton's health care reform proposal made for bad bedside reading and became the target of increased lobbying for public opinion. Congress let reform die by taking no action.



Floods were the disaster of the year in California. A series of storms drenched the West Coast from New Year's until March.

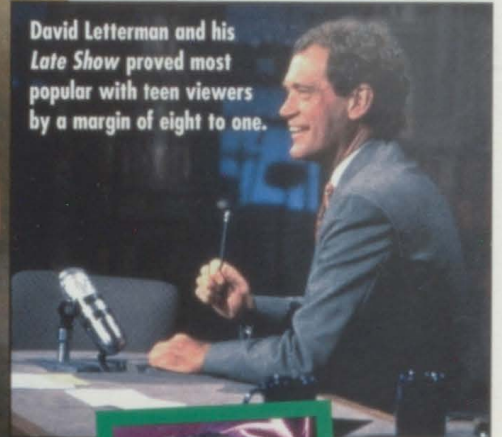


Where were you when O.J. Simpson took his ride to infamy in the white Bronco? The criminal proceedings-turned-media circus often strayed from the question of 'Did he do it?' to more

important issues, like prosecutor Marcia Clark's hairstyle and the petty feud among Simpson's "Dream Team" of defense lawyers.



Heather Whitestone of Alabama broke down another barrier for persons with disabilities when she became the first hearing-impaired Miss America.



David Letterman and his *Late Show* proved most popular with teen viewers by a margin of eight to one.



The most destructive earthquake in 20 years struck Kobe, Japan, in January, killing more than 5,000 people and leaving 300,000 refugees. The quake renewed fears of "The Big One" back in the U.S.

From the President and Newt Gingrich to the Dalai Lama and the Rolling Stones, everyone seemed to be going on-line and surfing the internet, introducing a whole new language of Net Speak.

A tabloid editor's dream, the Michael Jackson-Lisa Presley wedding made the lives of both celebrities even more...well, interesting.



yearZine poll ■ Students are almost evenly split in key issues of the day: O.J. Simpson's innocence, approval of President Clinton, and approval of the Republican Congress.



Comparable to an electronic post office and global village gathering place, the Internet linked new members (or "Newbies") at a rate of two million per month.

Curve-breaker Michael Kearney became the youngest American to graduate from college when he received his B.A. in anthropology from the University of South Alabama at age 10. Next stop Disneyworld.

Controversial Surgeon General Joycelyn Elder's ideas for the content of school sex education programs earned her a pink slip from President Clinton.



The nation saw an alarming increase in kids who kill, such as 14-year-old Eric Smith, who beat and strangled his 4-year-old neighbor.



Russian President Boris Yeltsin struggled to maintain control of power as the Russian military pounded the small enclave of Chechnya into keeping the province from seceding.



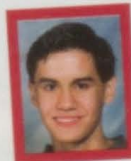
Susan Smith of Union, SC, shocked her neighbors and the nation by confessing to the drowning of her two sons, ages 3 years and 14 months.



World War II veterans returned to the French beaches of Normandy on June 6 to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of D-Day, the largest land-sea invasion in history.

STUDENT SOAPBOX
"A moment of prayer is not infringing on anybody's constitutional rights."

Eric Barreto, Pioneer Trail Junior High, Olathe, KS.

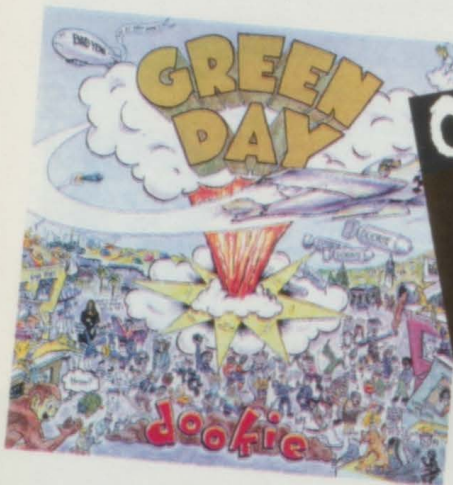


Newt Gingrich led the conservative move to sweep the Democrats from 40 years of congressional dominance. As House Speaker, he initiated the GOP Contract with America, which promoted conservative agenda items like welfare cuts and school prayer.



Sound and Cinema

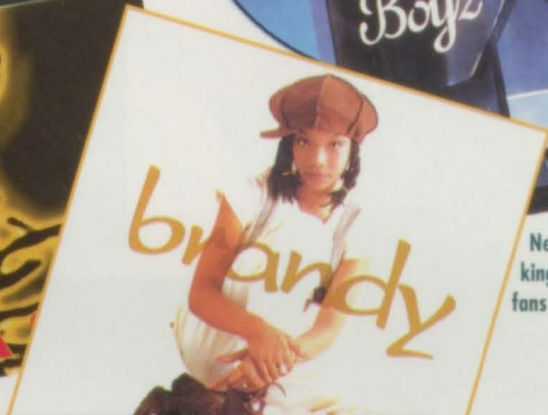
the people, the action, the movies



Green Day and Offspring topped Alternative charts despite controversy over songs containing explicit lyrics.



Newcomer Brandy and come back kings Boyz II Men captivated R&B fans with smooth new rhythms.

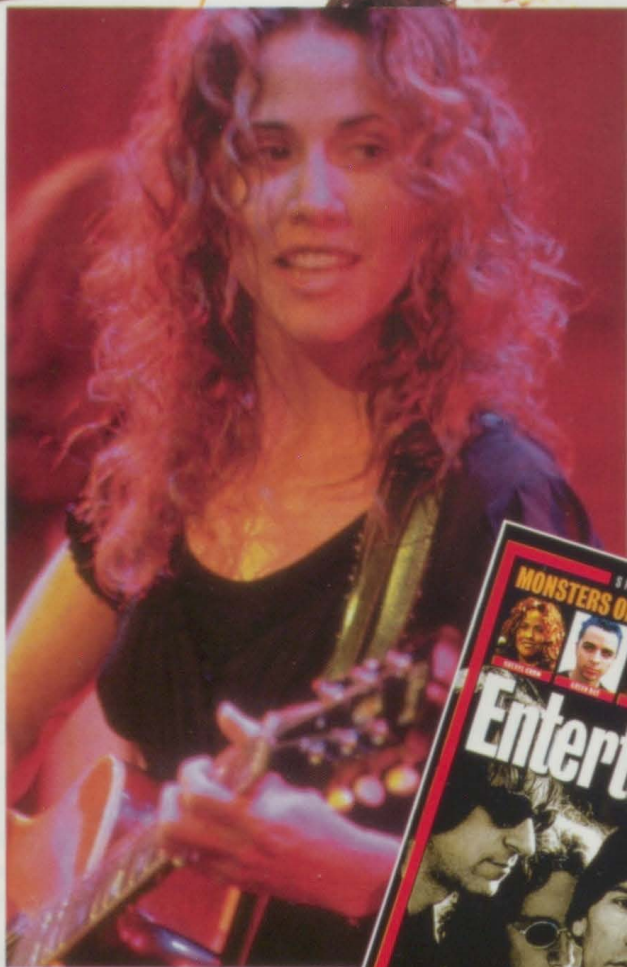


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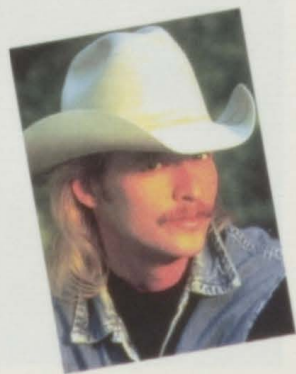
Who's on top? Oct. 7, 1994

- **Movie:** *Timecop*, Jean-Claude Van Damme
- **TV:** *Home Improvement*, ABC
- **Pop Album:** *II*, Boyz II Men
- **Video Rental:** *The Crow*, Brandon Lee

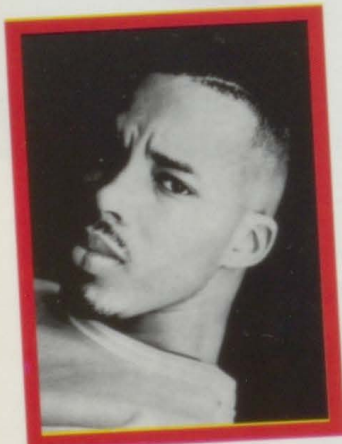
Source: Entertainment Weekly



Newcomer Sheryl Crow and her *Tuesday Night Music Club* CD topped the rock charts and provided an alternative anthem for non-traditional nine-to-fivers.



Country music continued to attract cross-over listeners with top acts like Alan Jackson (above), Garth Brooks, Reba McEntire, Faith Hill and Tim McGraw.

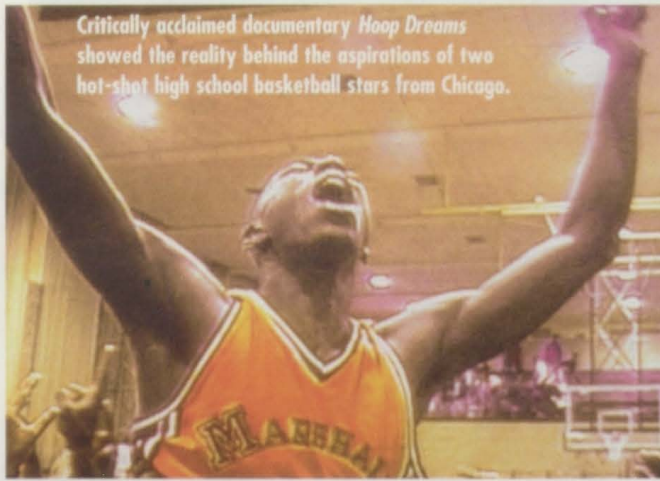


Rap artist Warren G pushed gangsta rap in the face of Attorney General Janet Reno, high school principals and the politically correct.



Rock Royalty—REM's sold-out world tour stalled after drummer Bill Berry suffered two brain aneurisms.

yearZine poll ■ Favorite TV shows: *My So Called Life*, *ER*, *Party of 5*, *Beverly Hills 90210*.



Critically acclaimed documentary *Hoop Dreams* showed the reality behind the aspirations of two hot-shot high school basketball stars from Chicago.

Free Live Feature

John Travolta made a come back as a hit man in Quentin Tarantino's violently hysterical *Pulp Fiction*.



Reunited/Orion

"Bad Boy Brad" Pitt created a cult following as Tristan in *Legends of the Fall* and as Louis in *Interview with the Vampire*.



Bob Peters, Inc.

On a career roll, animated actor Jim Carrey repeats his outlandish antics as a man with a bizarre dual identity in *The Mask*.



New Line Cinema



Keanu Reeves and Sandra Bullock made riding the bus fun again with the runaway action thriller *Speed*.

ForVideo, Inc.



Universal City Studios

Not even John Goodman's dead-on portrayal of Fred could save the movie version of the popular prehistoric TV cartoon *The Flintstones*. Other television-to-movie adaptations such as *Car 54 Where Are You*, *Maverick* and *The Brady Bunch* were also panned by critics.



Paramount Pictures/Cinema

Tom Hanks warmed the hearts of movie-goers everywhere with his portrayal of the good-hearted simpleton *Forrest Gump*.

In an inadvertent reference to his first two smash hits, *Ace Ventura*, *Pet Detective* and *The Mask*, Jim Carrey launched *Dumb and Dumber*, cementing his position as heir to Jerry Lewis' throne. Co-star Jeff Daniels was dumber than dumb.



New Line Cinema/Edman



Walt Disney Pictures

The Lion King roared as Disney's biggest hit ever and the box office hit of the year.



Comedy Partners/Hobby

Proving once again that Americans love English accents, Hugh Grant (second from left) became a sex symbol with the date movie of the year, *Four Weddings and a Funeral*.

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Shows
we watch



SPI/Haus

Putting Geraldo and the rest of the talk/trash show wannabees on the run, Ricki Lake's hot show turned out to be spirited, combative and downright popular.



ABC/Soligo

TV's psych sitcom *Frasier* stayed hot, despite its unenviable position opposite Tim Allen's *Home Improvement*.

Snapshot

Who's on top? Dec. 2, 1994

- Movie: *Star Trek Generations*, Patrick Stewart
- TV: *Sinfeld*, NBC
- Pop Album: *Hell Freezes Over*, Eagles
- Video Rental: *Speed*, Keanu Reeves

Source: Entertainment Weekly

STUDENT SOAPBOX

"Deep down inside me I think (O.J.'s) not guilty...but something tells me he's going to be convicted."
Carrie Vickery,
El Capitan High School,
Lakeside, CA.

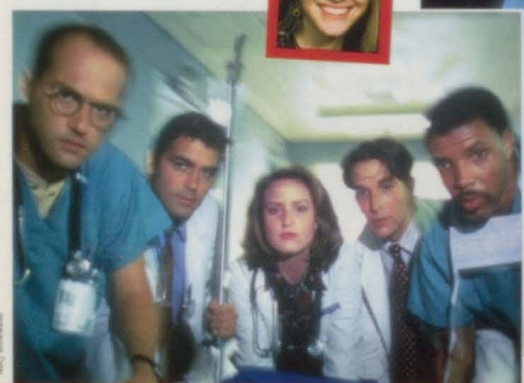


"I'd tell you what I believe, but — like it matters. Ten bucks says he walks."

Rachel Brainard, Burleson High School, Burleson, Texas



Two new shows, *My So Called Life* (pictured) and *Party of Five*, tried to show the real side of teen life. The show won critical acclaim, but lost rating points.



NBC/Donkowitz



Following in the footsteps of NBC's powerful Thursday night dramas *Hill Street Blues* and *LA Law*, *ER* (far left) won the ratings war to beat CBS' medical drama rival, *Chicago Hope* (left).

ABC/Soligo

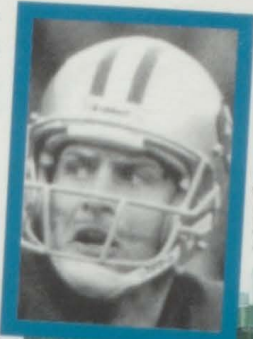
It's all good—It's alright Don't go there—Don't say that Bump that—Forget it
Tight—Looks good Wack—Doesn't look good You know I love it—I like it

NBC/Epstein

Sports stars and strikes

yearZine poll ■ Students polled believe that the baseball players are more to blame for the strike than the owners.

Steve Young led the San Francisco 49ers to a record fifth Super Bowl victory, beating the San Diego Chargers.



San Francisco 49ers

A money feud between multi-millionaires led to baseball players packing their bats in August. The strike shut out World Series fans for the first time in more than 80 years. The strike continued into 1995.



AP/Wide World

Snapshot

Who's on top? March 3, 1995

- Movie: *Billy Madison*, Adam Sandler
- TV: *ER*, NBC
- Pop Album: *The Hits*, Garth Brooks
- Video Rental: *The Mask*, Jim Carrey

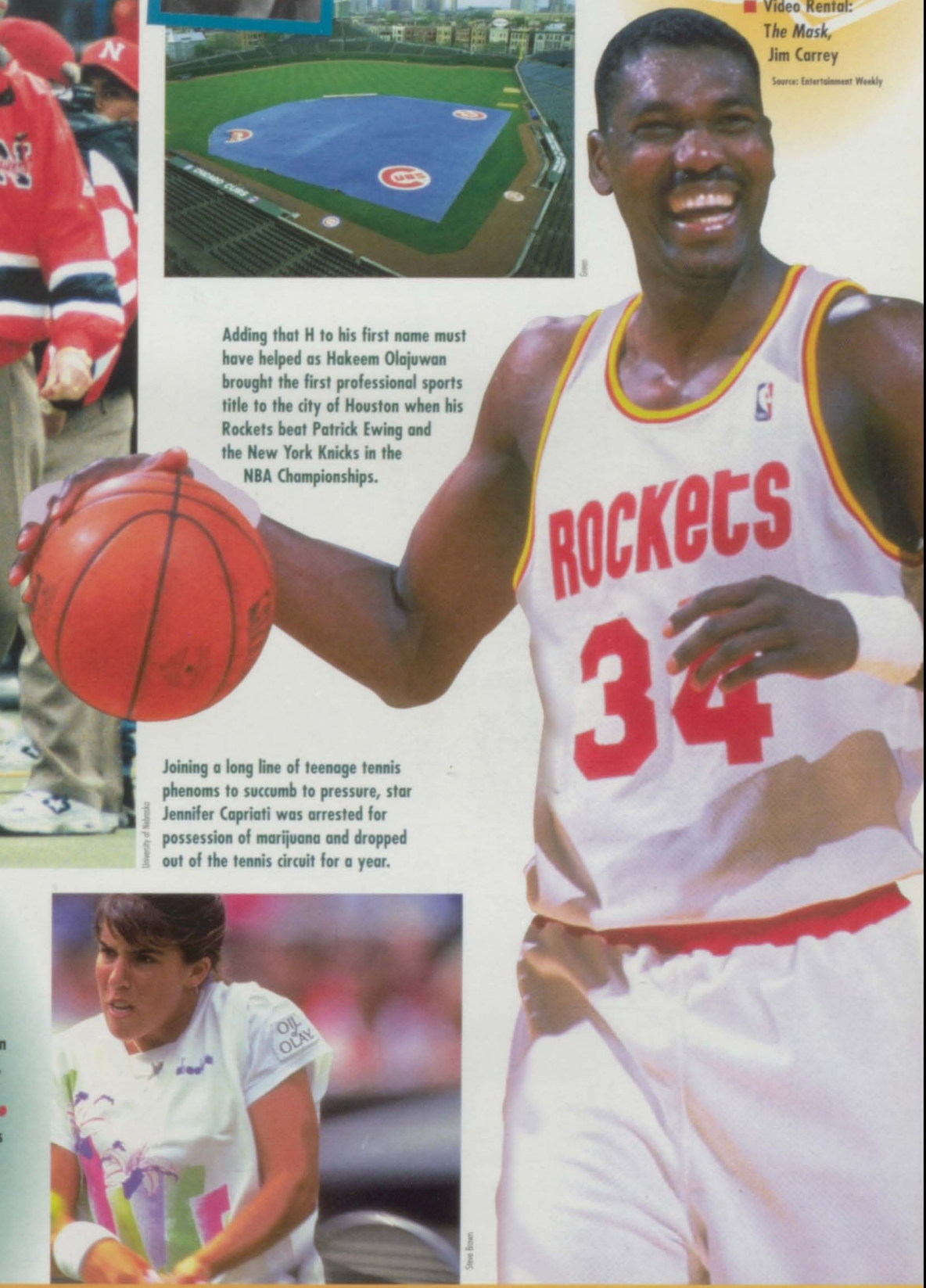
Source: Entertainment Weekly



After years of futility, Cornhusker head coach Tom Osborne captured his first national collegiate football title at Nebraska.

University of Nebraska

Adding that H to his first name must have helped as Hakeem Olajuwon brought the first professional sports title to the city of Houston when his Rockets beat Patrick Ewing and the New York Knicks in the NBA Championships.



Joining a long line of teenage tennis phenoms to succumb to pressure, star Jennifer Capriati was arrested for possession of marijuana and dropped out of the tennis circuit for a year.



Steve Berman

America showed the world it can play soccer when it hosted the World Cup. The U.S. team toppled soccer giant Colombia. A Colombian goalie was later murdered in his own country.

Hockey's popularity soared after an exciting Stanley Cup series in June, but the National Hockey League blew an opportunity to elevate the game when the owners locked out players, postponing the season opener until January.

To an ecstatic crowd, Michael Jordan returned to the Bulls as number 45 in March.

High cappin'—Showing off

I'm buggin'—Getting mad

I'm down—It's alright with me

Send a shout out—Say hello

Sittin' Fat—Good

8 yearZine

Looks that relate

Across the country, school administrators attempted to reduce violence in schools by outlawing professional sports team wear that mirrored gang garb. They revised dress codes and started a trend of requiring all students to wear uniforms. Most students dressed in layered, baggy or tight clothes in plaids and earth-tones.

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"Students are in school to learn. It's not a fashion show."
 Lisa Dawn Worley, Broadway High School, Broadway, VA.

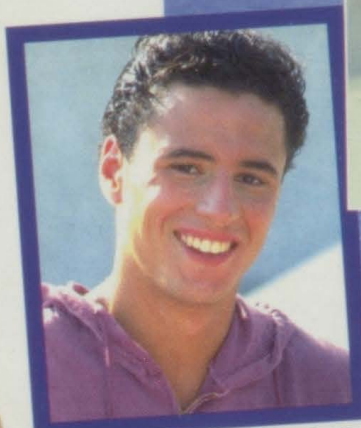


No part of the body was safe as body piercing spread, with tongues, eyebrows, belly buttons and other trendy areas becoming puncture points.



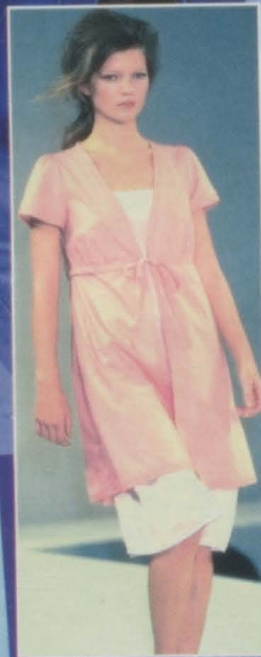
"What you wear is what you are! It's bad to take that away from someone!"
 Chris Hadesty, Broadway High School, Timberville, VA.

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Student fashion photos provided by

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Both inset photos — SVP/Reynold

Kate Moss (inset) and the waif brigade became passe' in the fashion world as

models like Nadja Auermann (inset) redefined glamour in a vampy, curvy, new way.

yearZine poll ■

Students describe fashion in school with these terms: hippie, grunge, flannel, baggy, "anything goes."

Passings

Vitas Gerulaitis (40) - tennis star.
 ■ Henry Mancini (70) - conductor and composer of *The Pink Panther* theme.
 ■ Wilma Rudolph

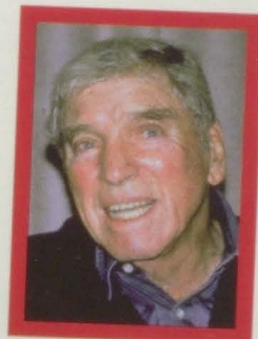
(54) - one of the first black women to win an Olympic gold medal. ■ Raul Julia (54) - played Gomez in the *The Addams Family* movies. ■ Pedro Zamora (22) - Brought AIDS to *The Real World* on MTV. ■ Harriet Nelson (85) - '50s television mom on *Ozzie and Harriet*.



Rose Kennedy (104) - matriarch of the Kennedy family.



Elizabeth Glaser (47) - AIDS activist.



Burt Lancaster (80) - one of Hollywood's great leading men.



Jessica Tandy (85) - star of stage, screen and television.

