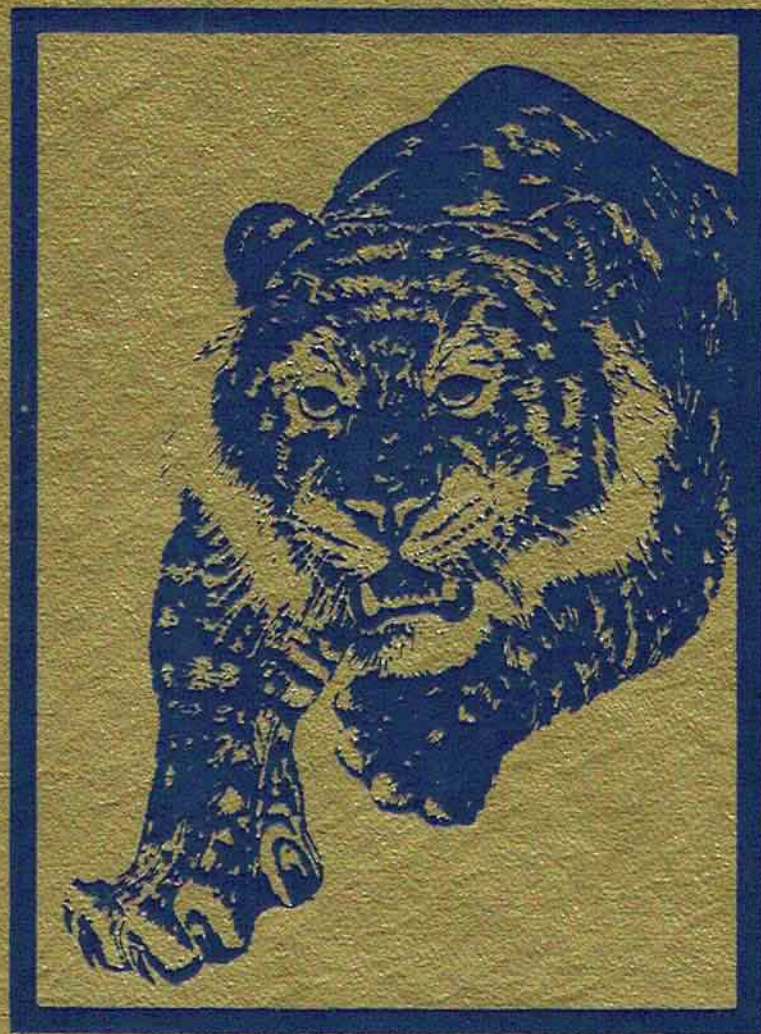


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CLOSE ENCOUNTERS?

The definition of *school* is "the student body of an educational institution." "Student body" is the key word here.

School consists of more than studying and test taking. The student body of BHS is relatively small, and, in some ways, this is an asset. A smaller student body means more interacting among the individuals, and more interaction sets the stage for more (you guessed it!) "Close Encounters"! You may associate "Close Encounters" with the movie from several years ago. Rest assured, however, that this production is as different as is the school which it portrays. "Close Encounters" at BHS sets the stage for humorous moments, sad moments, and — sometimes — inspirational moments, as the 1985-86 school year unfolds before you . . . So sit back, and enjoy a unique version of "Close Encounters," BHS-style!



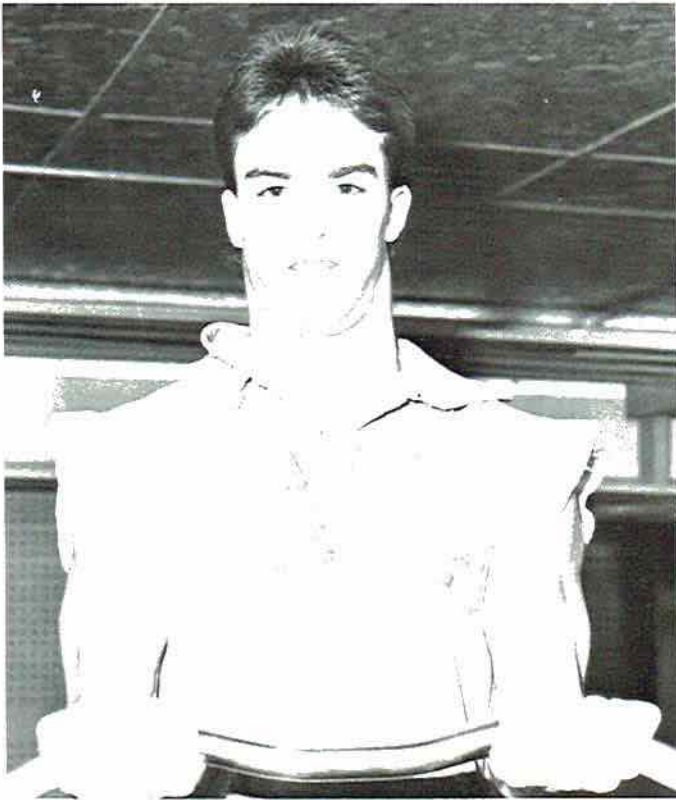
Shawn Rudder and Chris Pope enjoy sitting around the gym.



Kim Wells admires her nosegay.



"Eleanor, he is taking our picture!", exclaims Jackie Nelson.



Patrick Childs strains to lift the weight.



BHS King David Abbott grins and bears his crowning.



Mark Parker and Greg McCullough — the long and short of it.



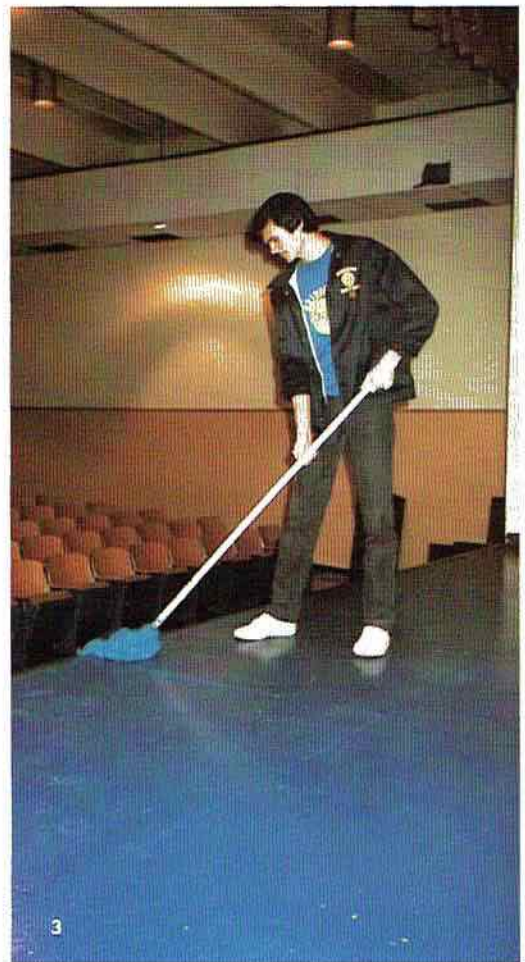
Sonia Sebring watches in silence.

WORK AND PLAY

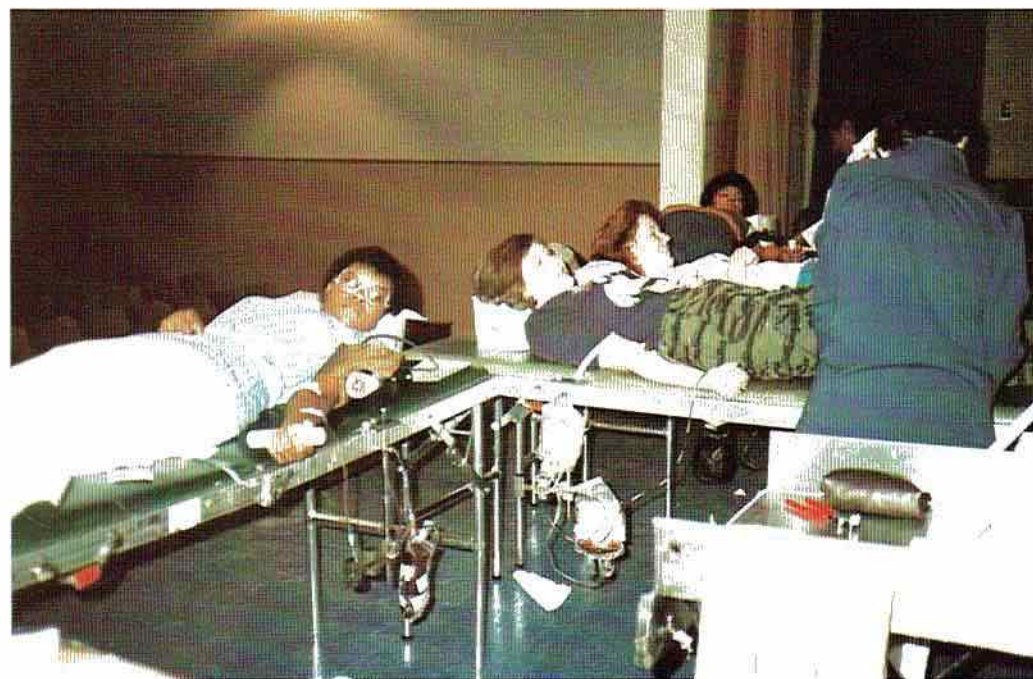
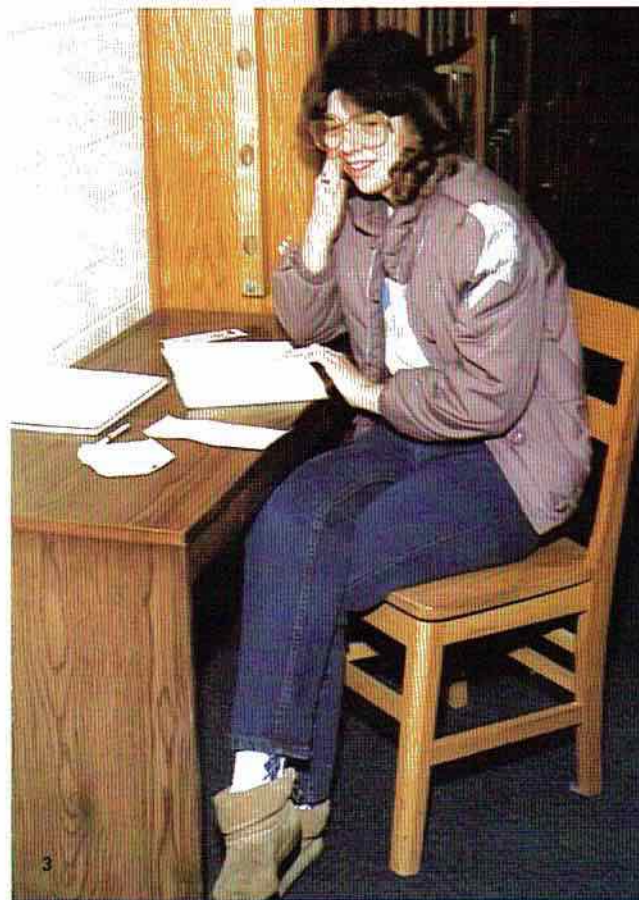
... are vital parts of school life. Without the extra work put in by students and teachers, many special events such as the Mr. and Miss BHS Coronation, Smarty Parties, banquets, the prom, the *Tiger* annual, and the *Blue and Gold* newspaper would not happen. Students also help by working as library, office, and teachers' aides. The ag classes work in the school and the community. Home ec. classes help the lunchroom staff by washing their towels.

Play keeps everyone from going bonkers. A good time is relaxing and refreshing, keeping everyone going so he or she can make it through the day.

Everyone at school works and plays in his or her own way. No matter how it is done, it is important!



1 These guys start their day with a game of football.
2 Hakysak is a favorite pasttime of John Childs and Dwayne Abbott.
3 Dwayne Moore is painting the fast way.



1 Washing towels is a duty for Valerie and Tara.
2 Valerie Cox and Sharon Thomas are preparing for the rose sale.
3 Lynette Smith keeps up with the library passes.
4 Students doing their share to make the Student Council/Red Cross blood drive a success.

ENCOUNTERING



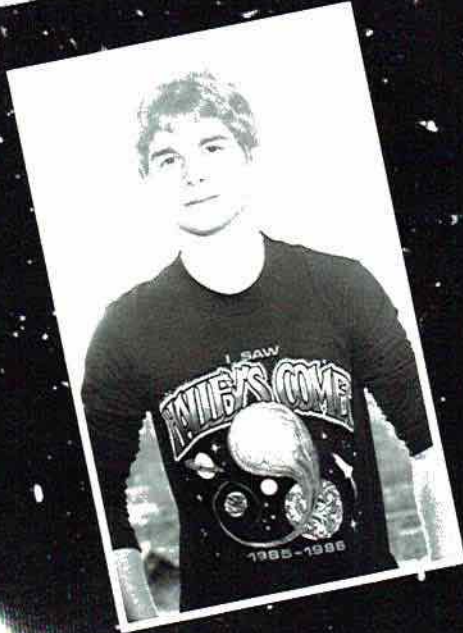
PEOPLE

Of the many different aspects of school, there is one that is more important than any other. That part is the people. People at school come in four basic categories. They are students, teachers, personnel, and visitors.

Students, who are the reason schools exist, come to school for an education they can use for life. At school students also get an education in manners, relations with others, and responsibility.

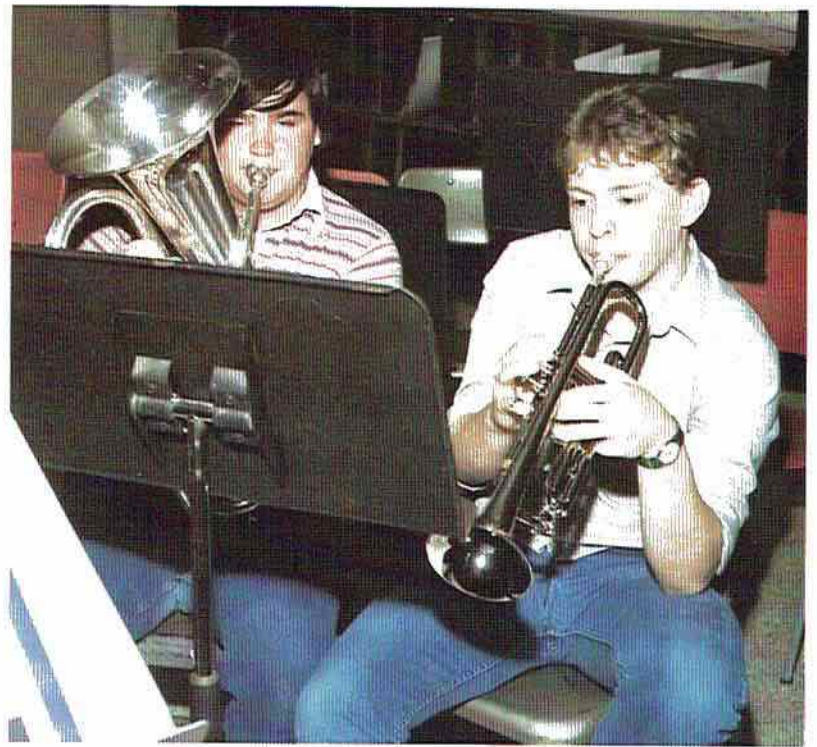
Teachers are the people who relay information to the students. Not only do they teach the students, but they also guide the students through the growing process. Teachers are also sponsors of clubs and trips, coaches of teams, and community leaders. Personnel are the people who answer the phone, keep the accounts in order, clean the school, feed us lunch, and more. School would be an unpleasant place without these people around.

Visitors come for many different reasons. Some come to talk to college-bound students; some come to the military-bound; some come to perform programs for the entire school. On days of special events, the school teams with visitors. One thing is certain — each time one of these people come to school, there is excitement!





Twins!



Blowin'!



John Raper and Loretta Sexton take time out to pose for a picture.



Students getting carried away with history.



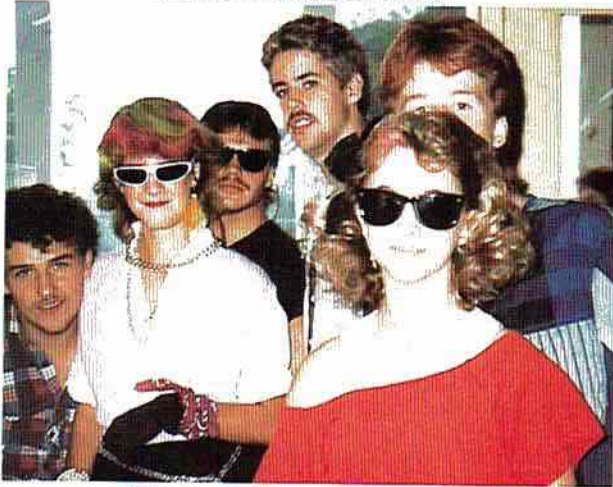
Mrs. Mountain and the future Jr. High Homecoming Court of 1985.



Oh, they want to take our picture.



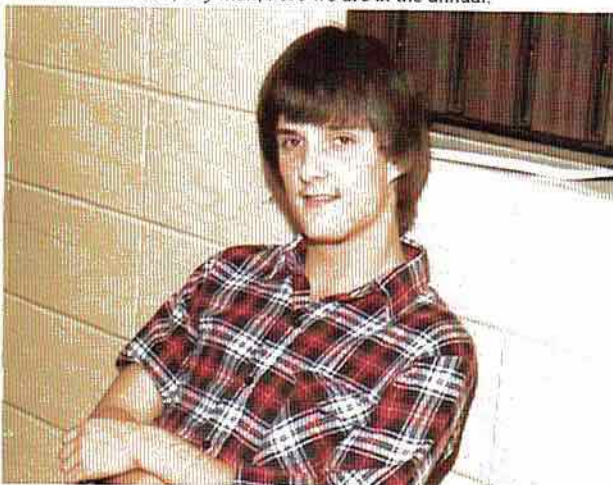
Friends — Alicia Whitcher and Loretta Burnett.



Like, hey man, here we are in the annual.



Smiles everyone, smiles.



What can you say about Chuckie Murray?



"I wish I didn't have to wear this dress," says Sharon Barham.



"That's so stupid, Larry," exclaims Lisa Akin.



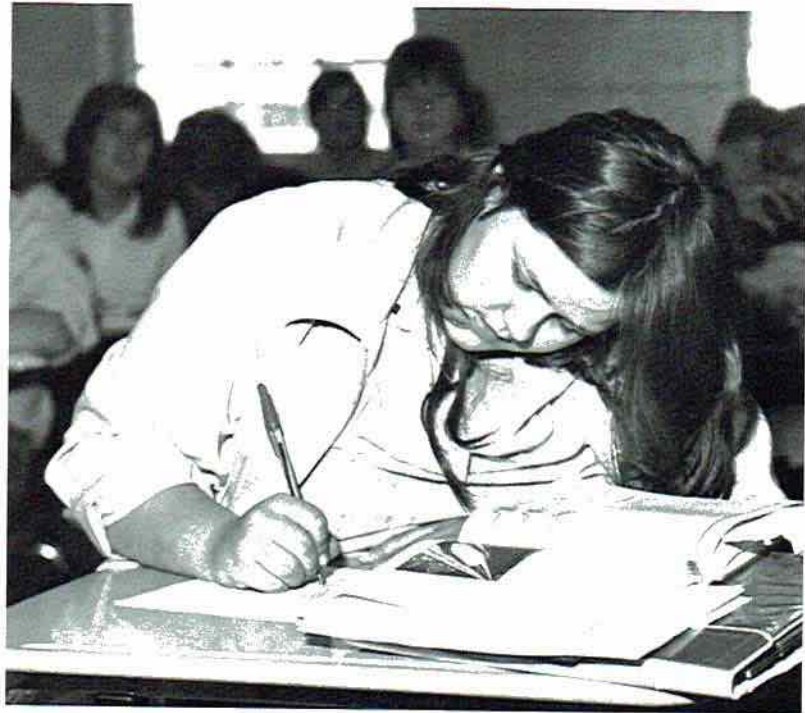
Dwayne Abbott says, "It's for you, Susie."



Seventh graders enjoy the benefits of home ec.



I wonder where everybody else is.



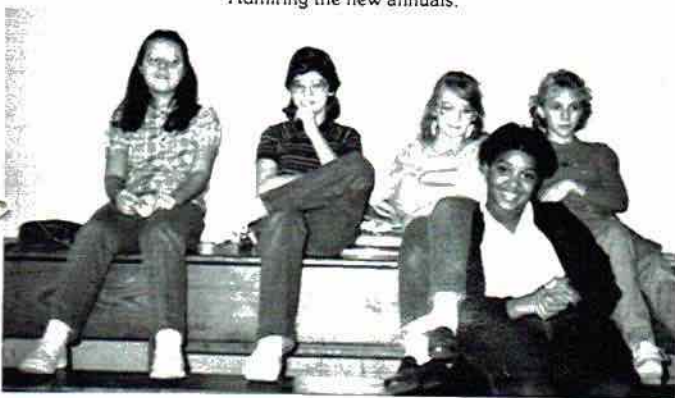
Barbara Thompson is busy at work.



Admiring the new annuals.



Gossiping in the gym.

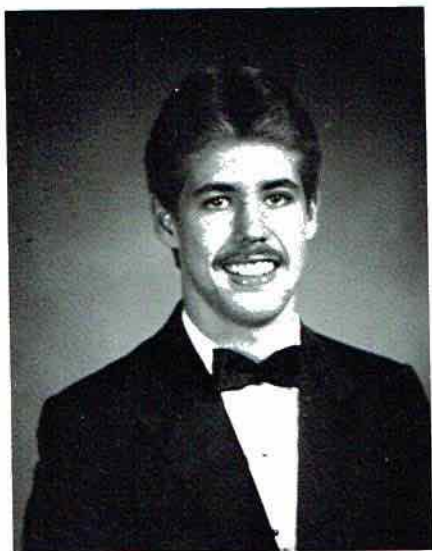


Another exciting p.e. class.

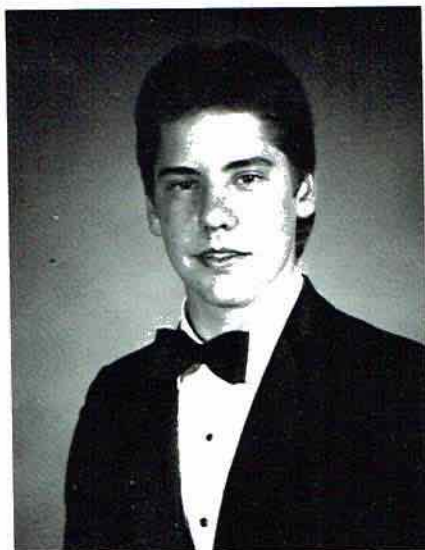




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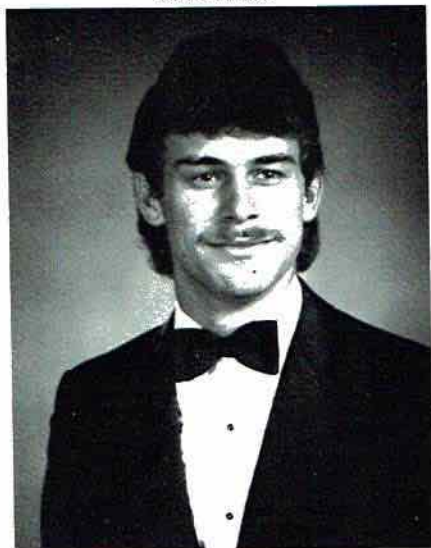
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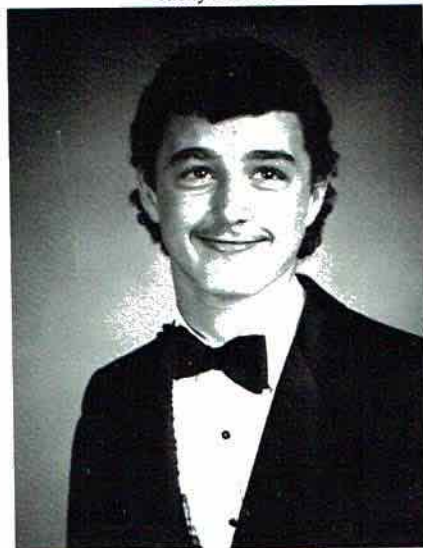
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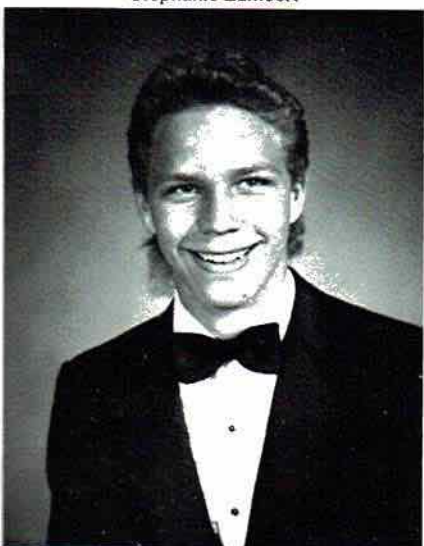
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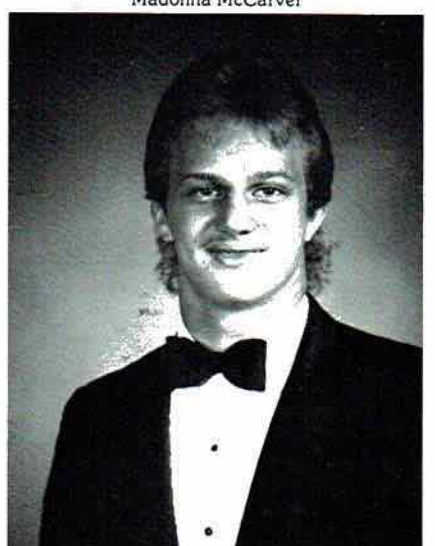
Madonna McCarver



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Jackie Nelson

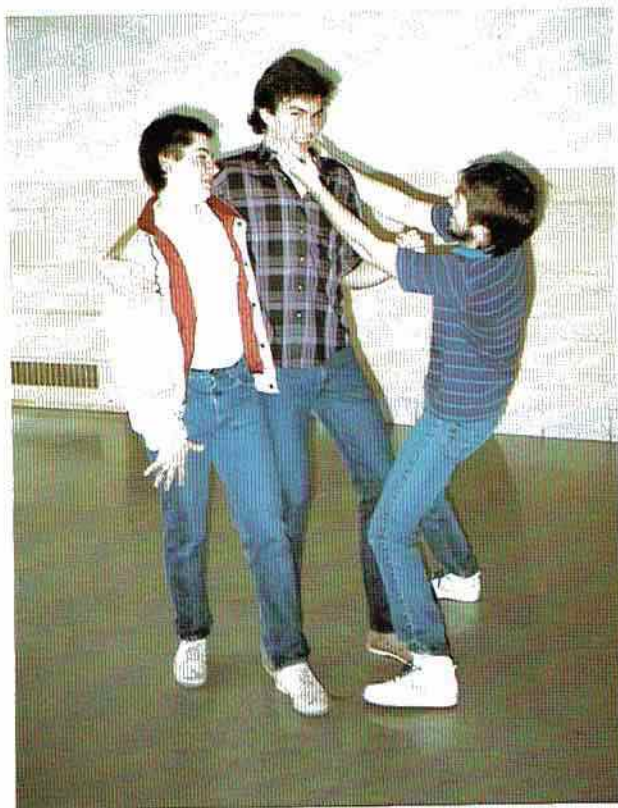


Kenny Olinger

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Clowning around like always.



This gang is waiting on a ride back to Bridgeport.



These seniors are hard at work.



Kenny, let's take this Bobcat for a spin.



Holli Davis shows them how it's done.



David Bice tops the tree with the "86" star.

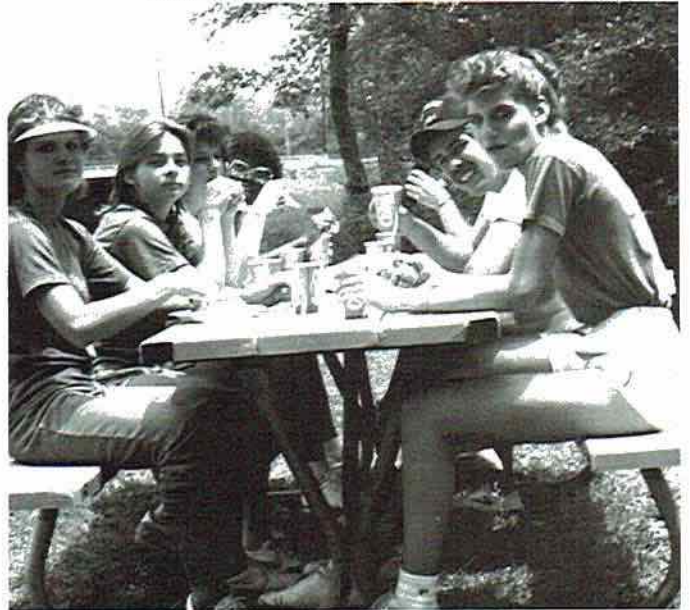
SENIOR SNAPS



Mark Parker lights the master candle.



David Abbott can't seem to get the cap to fit.



Join us for a burger?



Cindy Roper, we got you!

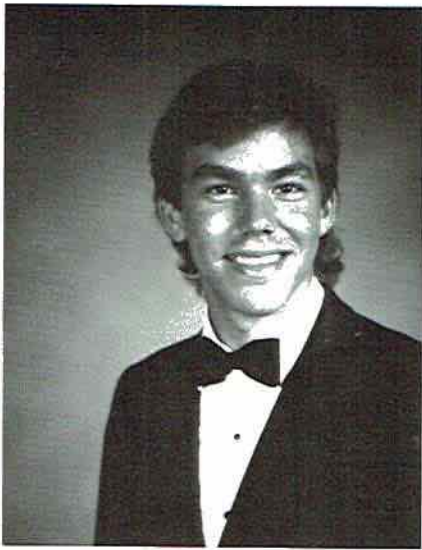


Kelli Faircloth and Alicia Whitcher talk about the favorites.

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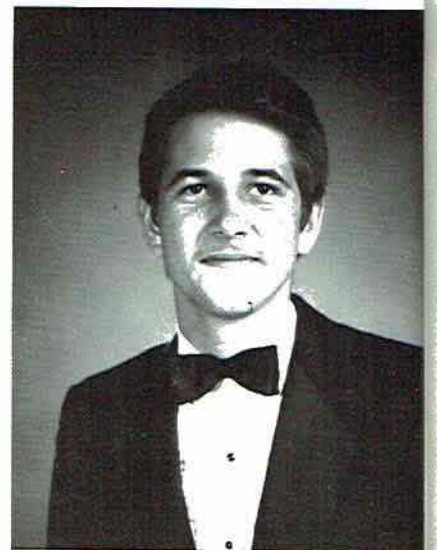
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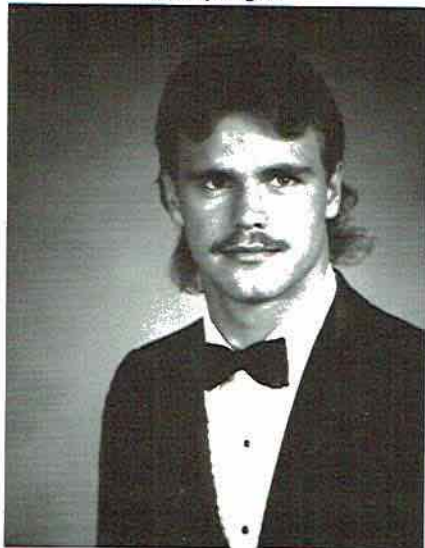
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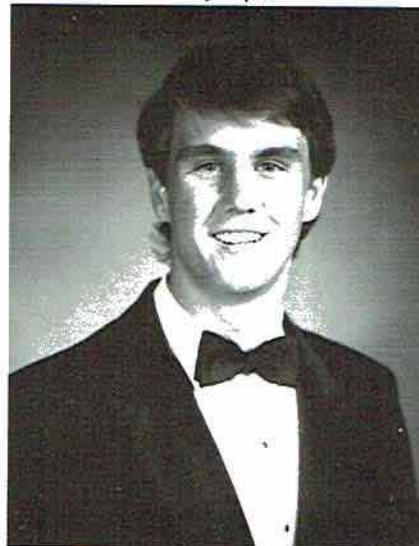
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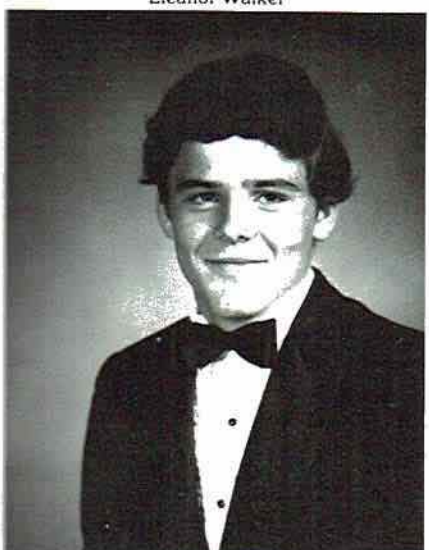
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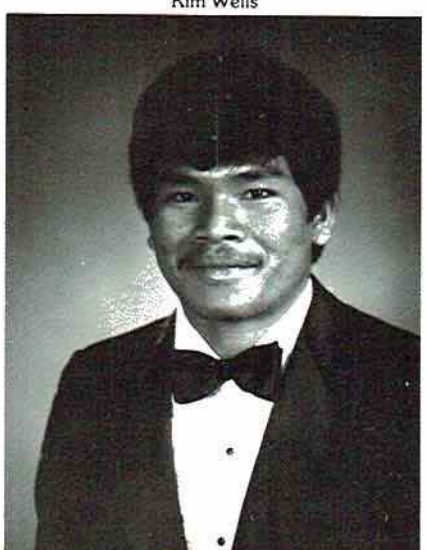
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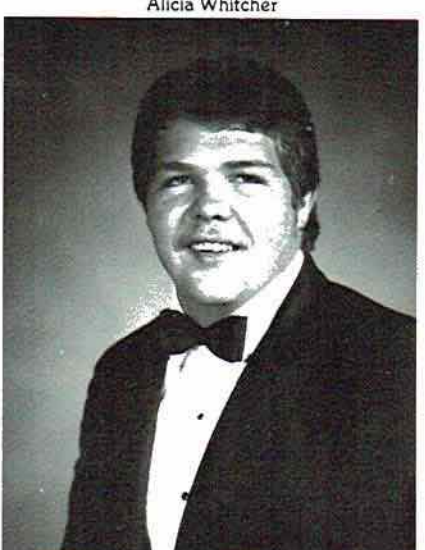
Alicia Whitcher



Jerry Winters



Danny Wongmanee



Joe Woody



Nichelle Woody



Louise Brown, Sponsor



Elizabeth Mountain, Sponsor

SUPERLATIVES OF '86

The Class of 1986 chose their outstanding class members. The members chosen are standouts in attire, talents, athletic abilities, attractiveness, spirit, comedy, and overall pleasing personalities. Congratulations to the Superlatives of '86!!!



Most Athletic
Jackie Nelson and Greg McCullough



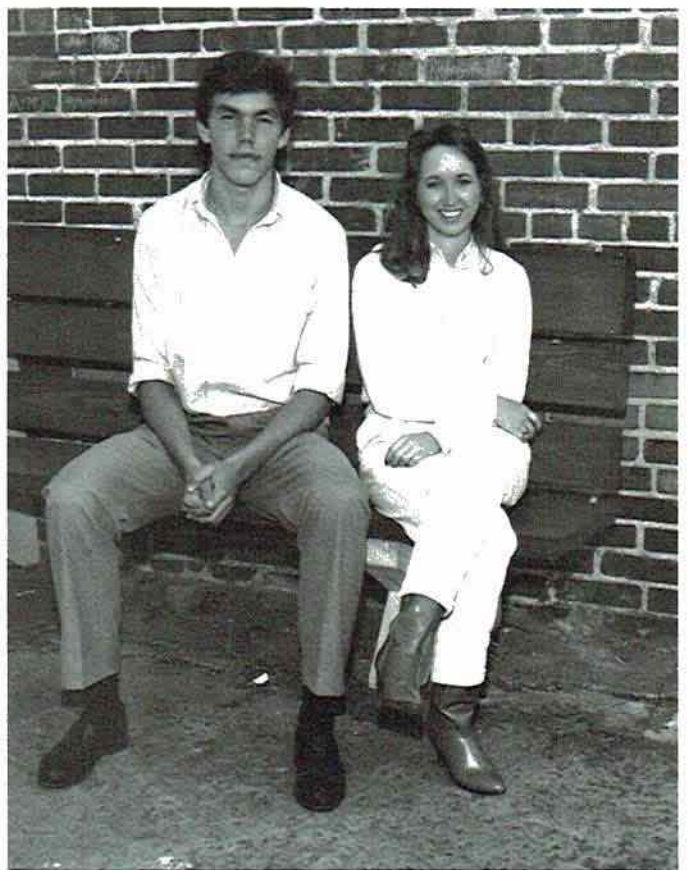
Most Dependable
Stephanie Lambert and Ricky Abbott



Wittiest
Melissa Cooper and Joe Woody



Most Mischievous
Sherry Guthrie and Cecil Rich



Most Likely To Succeed
Kelli Faircloth and Mark Parker



Most School Spirit
Margaret Gossett and David Bice



Members of the Class of '86

SUPERLATIVES OF '86



Best Dressed
Cindy Roper and David Abbott

This year we feel we may have chosen the wrong superlatives! After reading the responses of our survey, we feel it would have been appropriate to have chosen Most Conceited, Spaciest, and Most Likely To Live In A Fantasy World. Here are a few choice selections from the survey.

Q. — How would you describe your time at BHS?

A. — "Half of my day is educational; the other half, well, I'm just here!" — Melissa Cooper

Q. — List three things that are important to you.

A. — "1) My wife, 2) my truck, 3) my Skoal." — Rowdy Rich

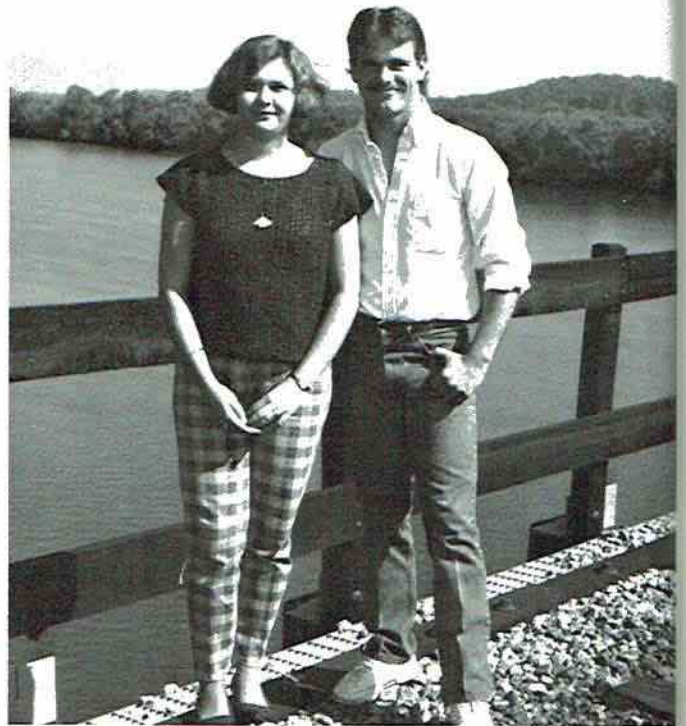
Q. — In ten years what do you want to be doing?

A. — "Setting behind a desk managing my own business." — David Bice

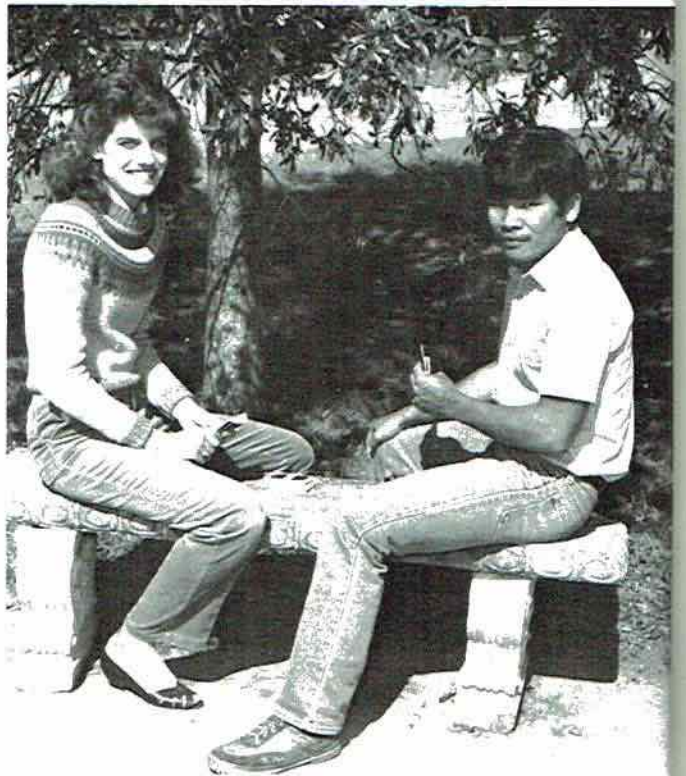
Q. — In your opinion what is the most interesting fact about yourself?

A. — "My good looks and my muscular body." — Rick Abbott

A. — "To be able to contain myself whenever I see some good looking guy walking nearby." — Stephanie Lambert



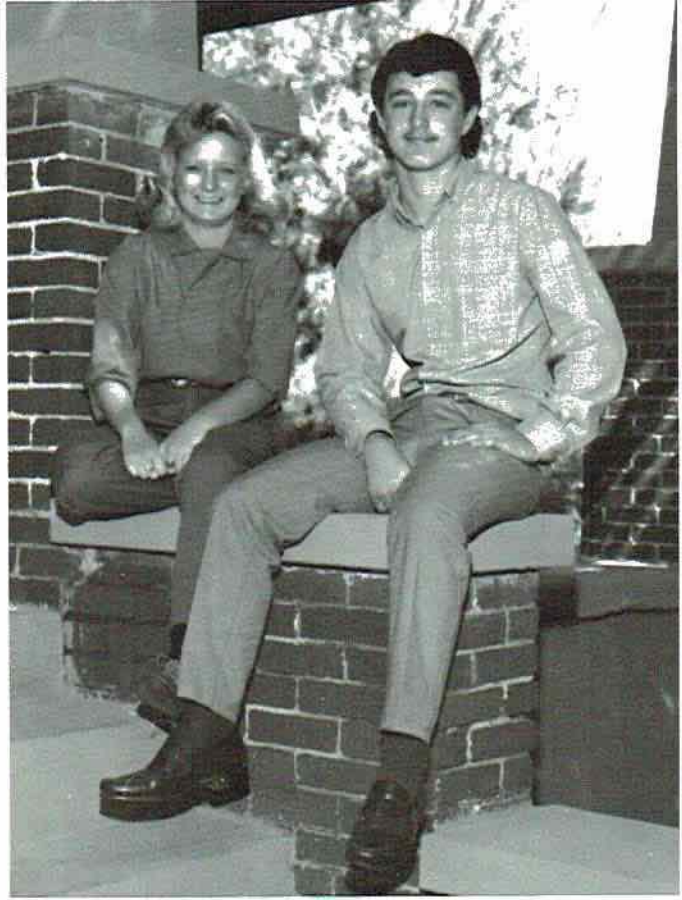
Most Popular
Alicia Whitcher and Greg Talley



Most Talented
Kim Wells and Danny Wongmanee



Best All Around
Stephanie Matthews and Kenny Olinger



Prettiest and Most Handsome
Holli Davis and Lindsey Condra



CLASS OFFICERS — Back Row: Alicia Witcher, President; David Abbott, Vice-President.
Front Row: Mark Parker, Secretary; Holli Davis, Treasurer.



Members of the Class of '86.

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CLASS OFFICERS — Sandy Rowe, President; Greg Whitcher, Vice-President; Chuckie Murray, Secretary; Greg Sparkman, Treasurer.



Shannon Anthony



James Bain



Sharon Barham



David Blizard



Shelly Brohpy



Loretta Burnett



Coretta Bynum



William Bynum



Kim Childress



Patrick Childs



Marty Cobb



Angela Collins



Stephanie Crawford



Corey Dave



Karen Foshee



Lori Gamble



Jimmy Graham



Julie Guedon



Ramona Haley



Sherry Hall



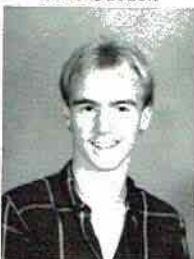
Donnie Henson



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Gerald Hughes



Gerald Hutchins



Mary Beth Lambert



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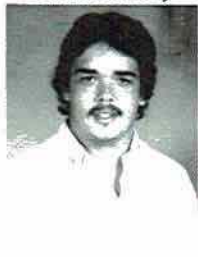
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Paul Payne



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Scott Ridley



Gamble



Sandy Rowe



Sonia Sebring



Heath Smith



Hogwood



Greg Sparkman



Travis Thomas



David Troxell



"Will this be in the annual?" asks Julie Guedon.



Chip Troy



Scottie Walker



Mark Warren



McCloud



Greg Whitcher



Peggy Williams



Todd Willis



Glenn Wilson



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Dwayne Abbott



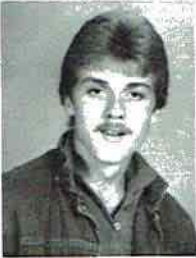
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Charlie Blevins



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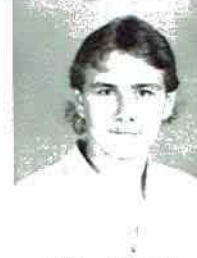
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Michael Ferguson



Veronica Hill



Bobby Howard



Roger Hubbard



Tammy Jackson



Cindy Jones



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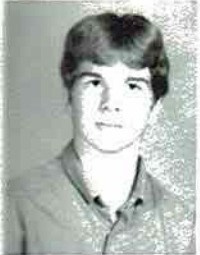
Dawson



Kevin Rogers



Jones



Kevin Short



Go ahead, Punk. Take my picture.



Carol Smith



James Smith



Potterfield



Gerald Thompson



Bo Turner



Eric Warren



Ronnie Scott is a new member of the BHS clan.



Master typists at work.



Charlie Summers



Houston Thomas



Donnie Thompson



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Kim Allen



Christy Allison



Tim Allison



Alex Atkins



Jimmy Bice



Stacey Blevins



Michelle Boyd



Debbie Brown



Ricky Carver



Kim Clark



Jessica Cooper



Robin Cooper



Rhonda Cooper



Valerie Cox



Sandy Eldridge



Mary Jane Galovich



Terry Guess



James Hanawell



Levon Henry



Crystal Holder



Lee Hughes



Adrian Hutchins



Stephen Lambert



Allison Long



Missy Mason



Susie McAllister



David Moore



Leah Payne



Allison



Chris Pope



Pam Ragan



Shawn Rudder



Kimberly Smith



Kristie Smith



Robert Smith



Atkins



Tracey Smith



Kim Steele



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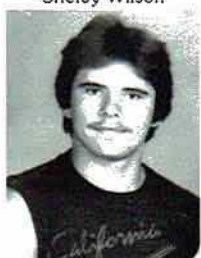
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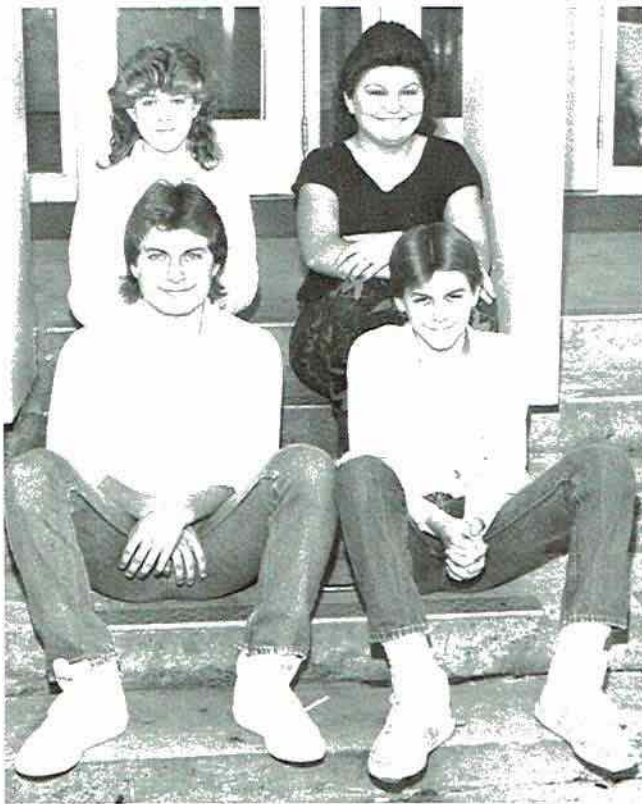
"Please don't make us go to class," beg Cammy, Valerie, and Mary Jane.

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Kristie Bradford



Stoney Brizendine



Jerry Brooks



Chris Chapman



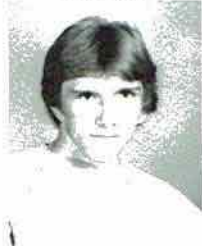
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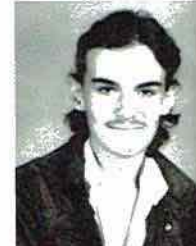
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J. P. Nelson



Wade Payne



Dianne Peacock



BORED!



Bradford



David Phillips



Shari Poppen



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Jimmy Akin



Pam Allison



Lance Armstrong



John Glenn Bevel



Allen Blevins



Jeff Blevins



Stacy Boldin



Melissa Boyd



Stacey Brizendine



Tracey Brizendine



Amy Crawford



Sandy Crawford



Arlo Cunningham



Jody Davis



Laura Dawson



Lisa Dawson



Dawn Findley



Sheryl Gilley



Shane Gray



Kim Henegar



Teresa Henegar



Katrice Henry



Salene Hill



Kenny Holder



David Holloway



Ann Horton



Candy Howard



Armstrong



Charlene Howard



Teresa Jarrett



Doug Johnson



James Kirk



Jeff Kirk



Christy Knight



f Blevins



Shannon Knight



Jimmy Lawhorne



Lisa Lawson



Sammy Smith



Stephanie Steele



David Stewart



Brizendine



Salene Hill takes a brief pause from her busy seventh grade studies.



Susan Stewart



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Jamie Long



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James McCarter



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Donna McCutchen



Casey McDonald



Jackie Miles



Steve Moore



Amy Ragan



Wanda Ragan



FALCONS
John Raper



Karen Rogers



This group is all smiles!



"Coach McCraw, we're BORED!"



Seventh grade "STUDS."



McDonald



Charlean Rutherford



Ronnie Sartin



n Rogers



Jeff Seabolt



Patrick Sebring



Loretta Sexton



Marcus Shedd



Lisa Walters



Steve Warren



Mitzi Whitcher



Jason White



Larry Whitehead



Lee Wilkey



Going to class.



Ricky Burgess, new kid in school.



Becky Williams



Rhonda Winters

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BHS STUDENT COUNCIL



First Row: Tammy Jackson, Cindy Jones, Mary Galovich, Mitzi Whitcher. Second Row: Sharon Thomas, Alicia Whitcher, Sharon Barham, Hollie Davis, Kelli Thomas, Cindy Thomas. Third Row: Stephanie Matthews, Chip Troy, Kelli Faircloth, Greg Whitcher, Valerie Cox, Cindy Collins. Mrs. Paula Tally, sponsor. Not Pictured: Stacy Gothard.



Greg Blevins buying a rose for his valentine.



Sponsor, Mrs. Paula Tally; President, Alicia Whitcher; Vice-President, Greg Whitcher; Secretary, Holli Davis; Treasurer, Kelli Faircloth.



Stacy Gothard and Cindy Collins present seventh grade favorites with their flowers.



Dwayne Abbott prepares to give blood.

The Student Council is one of the school's more active clubs. This year the Student Council sponsored a fundraiser, the Smarty Party, the BHS Royal Coronation, the rose sale, the Red Cross Blood Drive, and the Elizabeth Mountain School Service Scholarship. On Awards Day the Student Council presented the school with a check for three hundred dollars to be used for general repairs. To end the year the Student Council and Beta Club had a party at the Valley Health Spa.

BHS FACULTY . . . M



Mr. Paul Parker, Principal
B.A., M. Ed. UTC

At BHS the faculty are not only instructors but also coaches, club sponsors, and, most importantly, the students' friends. Behind every extracurricular activity, there is always a teacher giving up his or her own time to make school a more meaningful experience.

Students, in addition, can always count on a few minutes of extra instruction if they need help with their schoolwork. If a student needs someone to talk to, he or she can usually depend on a teacher to listen. The teachers may not always have answers, but it's comforting to know they care.

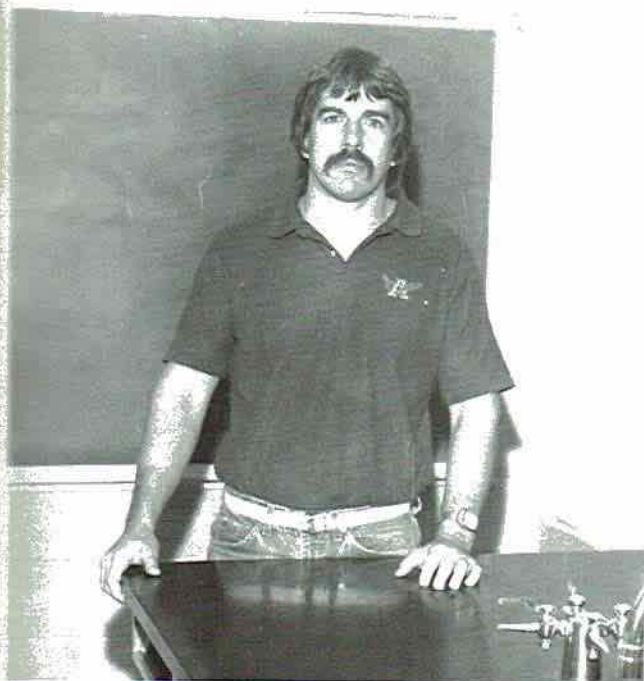


Coach Kenneth Storey
A.B. Snead, B.S. Athens State



Mrs. Elizabeth Mountain
B.S. MTSU, M.Ed. UTC

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Mr. Bob Corsby
B.S. Auburn



Mr. Jim Blevins
B.S. Auburn



Mrs. Paula Tally
B.S., M.A. University of Alabama



Ms. Louise Brown
B.S. Auburn, M.Ed. Alabama A&M

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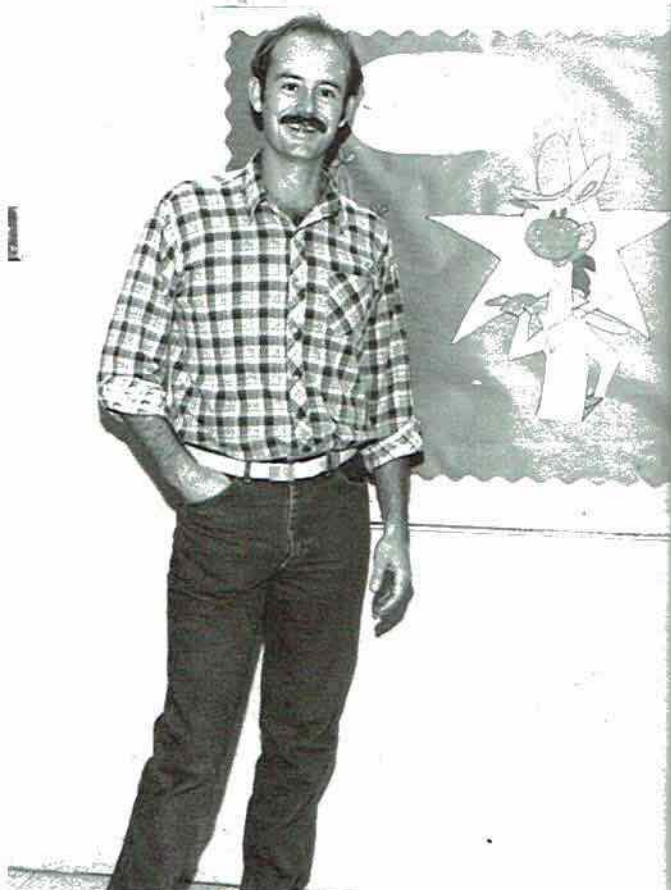
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Miss Nita Washington
B.S. Jacksonville State



Ms. Betty Harrison
B.S. UTC, M.S. Alabama A&M



Coach Jere McCraw
B.S. UTC

ER BECAUSE . . .



Mr. David Smith
B.S. Auburn



Mrs. Mary Abernathy
B.S., M.A. Alabama A&M



Mr. Shane Small
B.A. Tusculum

Mr. Blevins, "I love to fight ignorance!"
Mr. Corsby, "of June, July, and August!"
Coach McCraw, "I love Bridgeport people."
Miss Washington, "I like children."
Mrs. Mountain, "I had really good teachers, particularly English teachers, and I wanted to pass on what had been given to me."
Mr. Small, "I love lots of company."



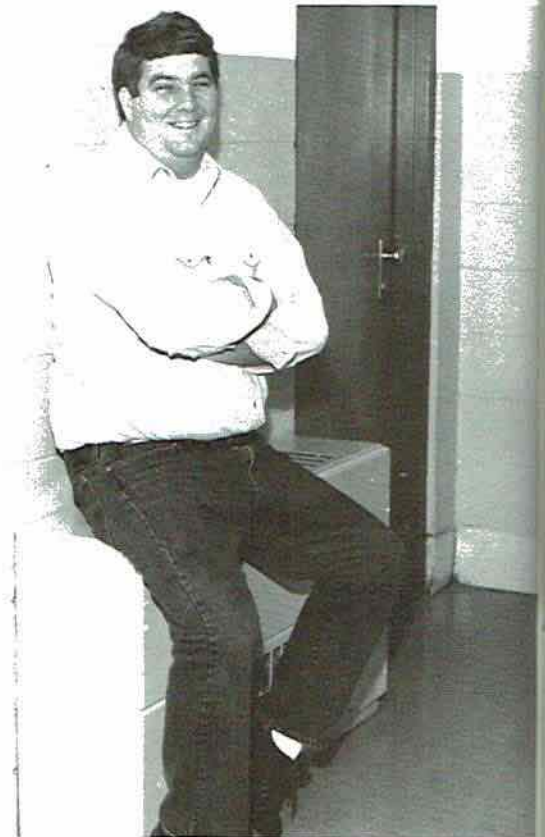
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Mr. Stan McCoy
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Mr. Kendall Hampton
B. Me. Mars Hill



Coach Jim Thomas
B.A. University of the South

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BHS STAFF



CAFETERIA WORKERS — Ruth Ragan, Shirley Abbott, Faye Arnold, Charlotte Rorex.



Secretary — Jo-Ann Colvin.

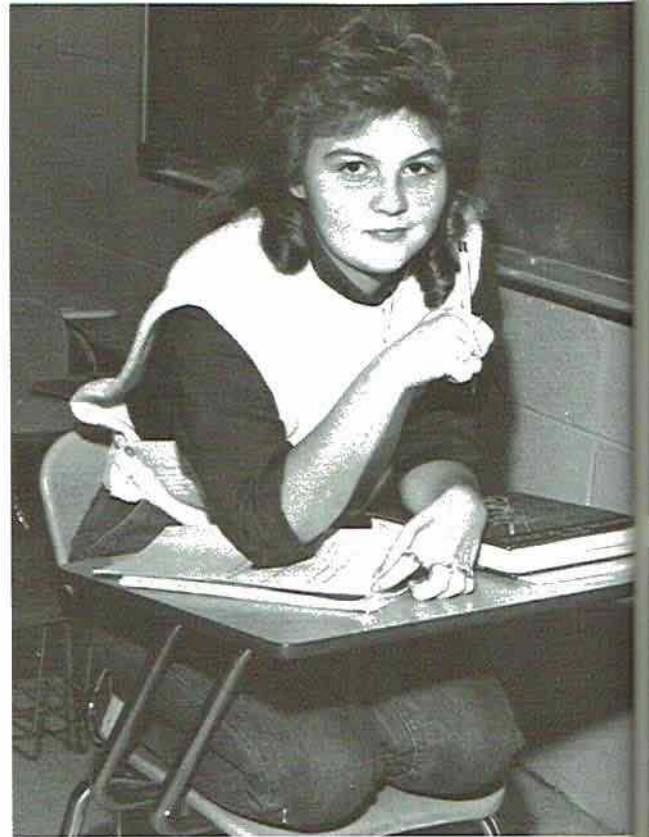


Custodian — Clarence Wilbanks.

Hardworking, friendly, and dedicated are just a few words that could be used to describe the BHS staff. Not pictured are bus drivers Jim Toney, Anthony Walker, Nell Guess, Russell Lee, Brenda Whittaker, Dick Henson, and Letha Houser.



Studying in the library is great.



Susie McAllister takes a break.



Could these two be mountain men?



You guys ought to show us some fancy footwork.



Could this group be aliens?



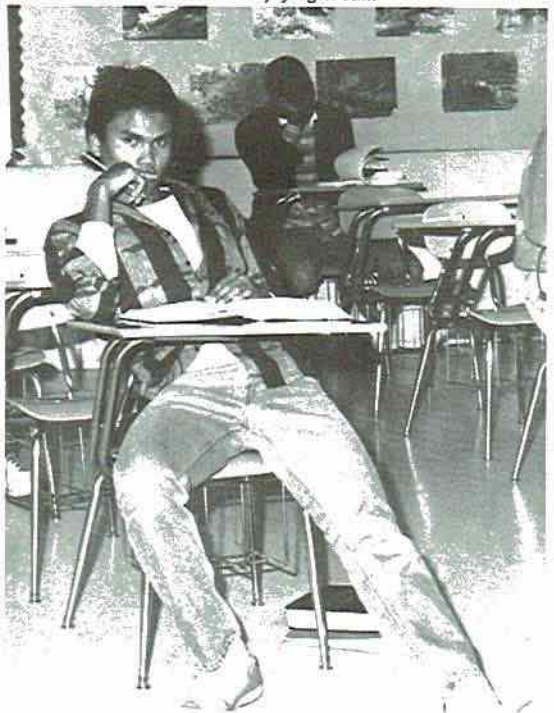
Lisa Walters and Becky Williams discussing the latest gossip.



"This is hot stuff, Madonna," says Barry McCloud.



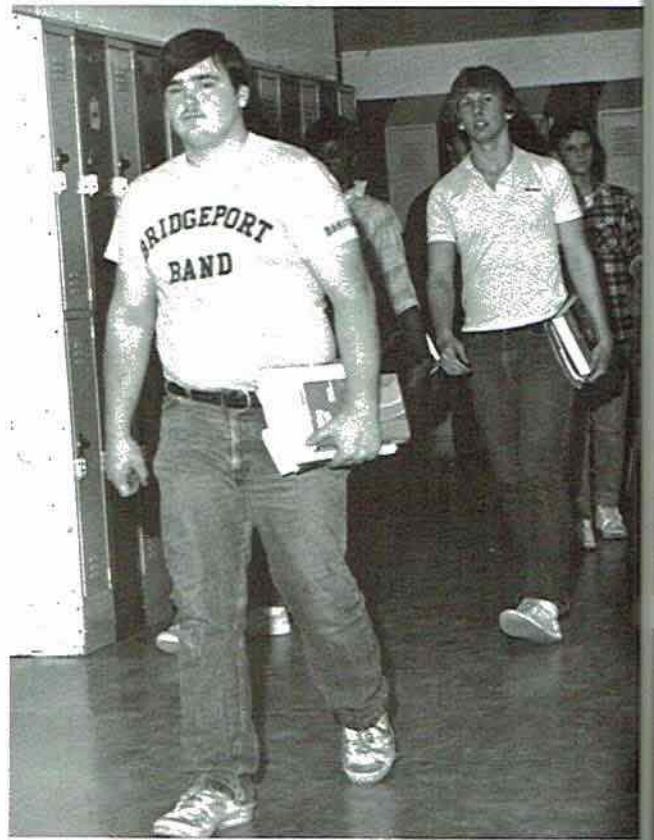
Loretta enjoying break.



Tom Wongmanee looks too relaxed for class.



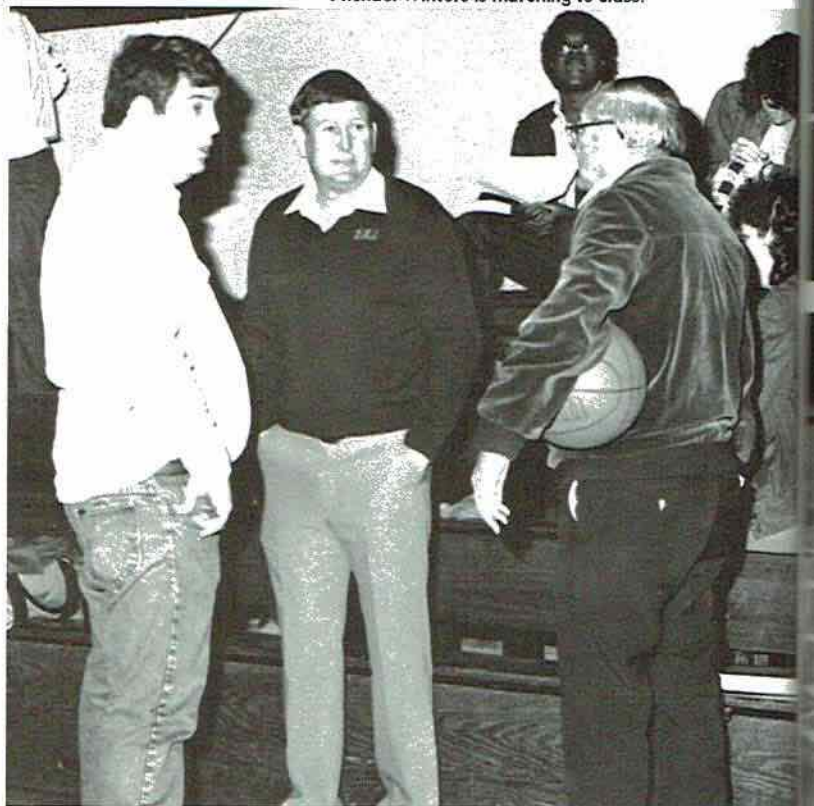
Cindy Collins and Cindy Jones at the reception.



Michael Winters is marching to class.



"This dress is driving me nuts," gripes Stephanie Lambert.



This must be a coaches' meeting.



We love computers!



These students aren't working.



GOSSIP SESSION!



Kelli and Sharon are announcing the royal event.



"But Mrs. Mountain, that can't be done," says Mark.



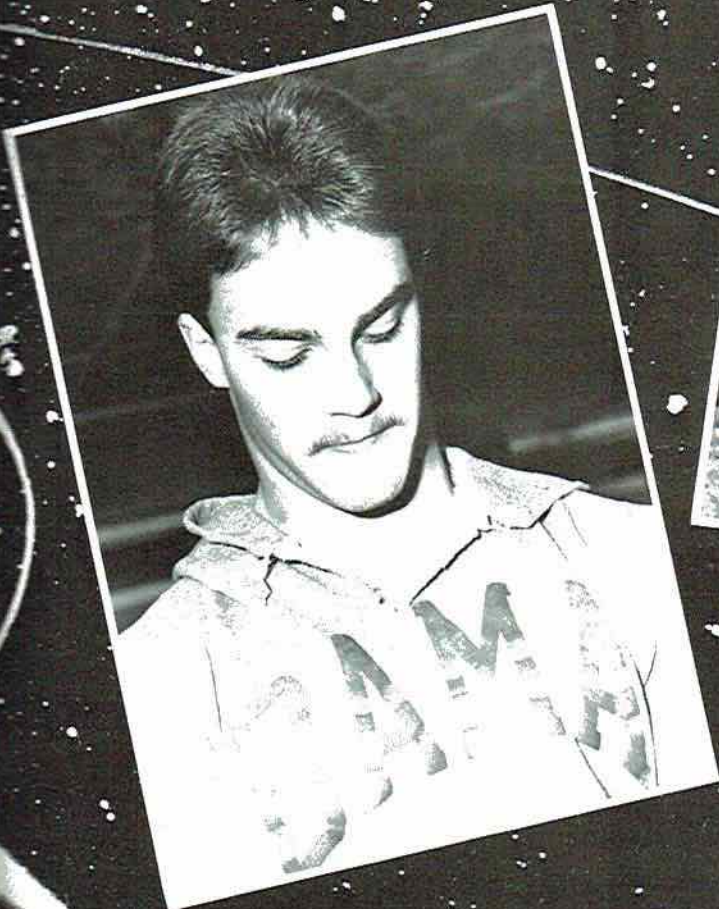
Earth has a close encounter every 76 years, when Halley's Comet arrives back in our little corner of the universe. The comet can be seen from Earth for several months as it begins its trek across the universe again. Bridgeport High School's sports world has its own various types of Close Encounters, the main difference being that instead of every 76 years, the cycle starts over every year.

The cycle begins in September with football. The team practices with each other, becoming a type of strong family. The Close Encounters they experience on the field help unite them under one cause. Girls and boys alike take part, practicing and becoming a unit, mastering with exact precision their shots and plays. They, too, become a team brought together by the Close Encounters experienced as they work together.

Then in March and April, baseball fans get to watch the Tigers at bat. From working on catching and running to throwing and hitting, the boys become a finely-tuned team, ready for action.



RING SPORTS



TIGER SPIRIT!

Even though the Tigers finished the season with a record of 3-7, they still had an outstanding year. The team stuck together and lasted the season out, never giving up. The Tigers entered the new season and left it behind with the same inimitable Tiger spirit and pride. Greg Talley, David Bice, Harold Smith, Larry Pylant, and Danny Wongmanee all won spots on the Jackson County All-Star Team. Jerry Winters and David Abbott won Honorable Mention on the same team. Coach Thomas and the entire team is very enthusiastic about next season. Everyone's been working extra hard, and the team is much more experienced. Experience, or lack of it, according to Coach Thomas, was one of the factors that hurt the Tigers in '85. The team was built around relative newcomers, and they just didn't have the experience needed to carry the team. Now they are geared up, ready to face a new season, new challenges, and new levels.

Pictured below: First Row: Greg McCullough, Chuckie Murray, Greg Blevins, Scott Ridley, John Ridley, Danny Wongamane, Michael Rich, Houston Thomas, Ricky Carver. Second Row: Thomas Terry, Alan Brown, Scotty Walker, Donnie Henson, Greg Sparkman, Travis Thomas, David Bice, Greg Talley, Patrick Childs, Dwayne Abbott, Ricky Kelly. Third Row: Coach McCraw, Chip Troy, Tom Wongmanee, David Blizzard, Randall Potterfield, Eric Warren, Jerry Winters, Doug McCutchen, James Barnard, Larry Pylant. Fourth Row: J. C. Daniels, Glenn Wilson, Jimmy Graham, Todd Willis, Greg Whitcher, Harold Smith, David Abbott, Dewayne Moore, Joe Woody, Coach Thomas.



Coaches Jim Thomas and Jere McCraw.





TIGER MANAGERS — Ricky Carver, Thomas Terry, Ricky Kelly, J. C. Daniels.



When asked about the season, Coach Thomas said that it's hard to be proud of a 3-7 record, but that it does make you sit back and realize that it takes hard work to win. He said that the season opened the eyes for future players and teams at BHS to the fact that it does take hard work and commitment to succeed. According to Thomas, the major strength of his team was the unity, and the fact that everyone worked well together as a team.



THE SENIOR SQUAD — First Row: Danny Wongamane, Jerry Winters, Greg Talley, David Bice, Greg McCullough. Back Row: Chuckie Murray, Greg Markman, Joe Woody, David Abbott, Harold Smith, Dewayne Moore.



David Abbott, Sr.
C/DE



David Bice, Sr.
RB/CB



Greg McCullough, Sr.
SE/S



Dewayne Moore, Sr.
FL/CB



Chuckie Murray, Sr.
K



Harold Smith, Sr.
T



Greg Sparkman, Sr.
FB/T



Greg Talley, Sr.
FB/LB



Jerry Winters, Sr.
G/T



Danny Wongmanee, Sr.
FB/NG



Joe Woody, Sr.
T



David Blizzard, Jr.
SE/CB



Patrick Childs, Jr.
C/LB



Jimmy Graham, Jr.
TE/DE



Donnie Henson, Jr.
SE/CB



Doug McCutchen, Jr.
C/NG



Larry Pylant, Jr.
G/T



Michael Rich, Jr.
T



Scott Ridley, Jr.
HB/S



Travis Thomas, Jr.
RB/LB



Chip Troy, Jr.
SE/S



Scotty Walker, Jr.
B



Greg Whitcher, Jr.
TE/DE



Todd Willis, Jr.
TE/DE



Glenn Wilson, Jr.
T



Tom Wongmanee, Jr.
SE/S



Dwayne Abbott, Soph.
G/DE



James Barnard, Soph.
FB/LB



Greg Blevins, Soph.
B/C



Alan Brown, Soph.
G/LB



Randall Potterfield, Soph.
QB/S



John Ridley, Soph.
QB/S



Houston Thomas, Soph.
B/S



Eric Warren, Soph.
G/NG



Bustin' loose!

VARSITY ACTION!

1985 VARSITY TIGERS

Bridgeport	12	N.S.M.	0
Bridgeport	18	Danville	35
Bridgeport	8	Pisgah	45
Bridgeport	6	Ohatchee	24
Bridgeport	41	Geraldine	8
Bridgeport	7	Section	35
Bridgeport	6	So. Pittsburg	40
Bridgeport	27	Fyffe	42
Bridgeport	12	N.W. Georgia	0
Bridgeport	0	Stevenson	41

3-7



Talley leads the charge!



Abbott takes it downfield!



Sparkman and Abbott wait for the toss!

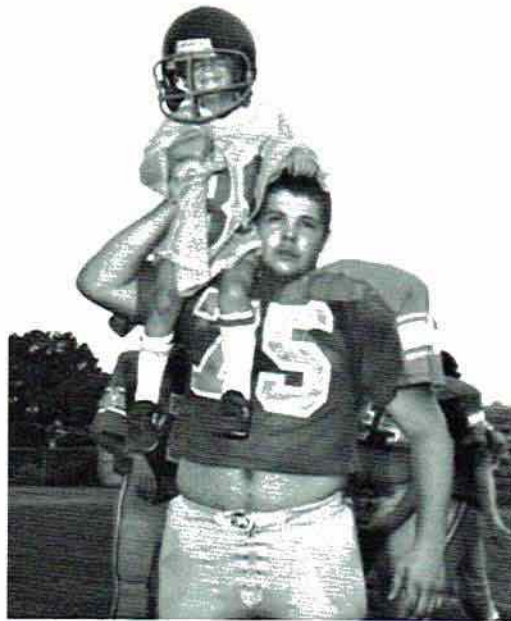


Sparkman executes a block for Potterfield!

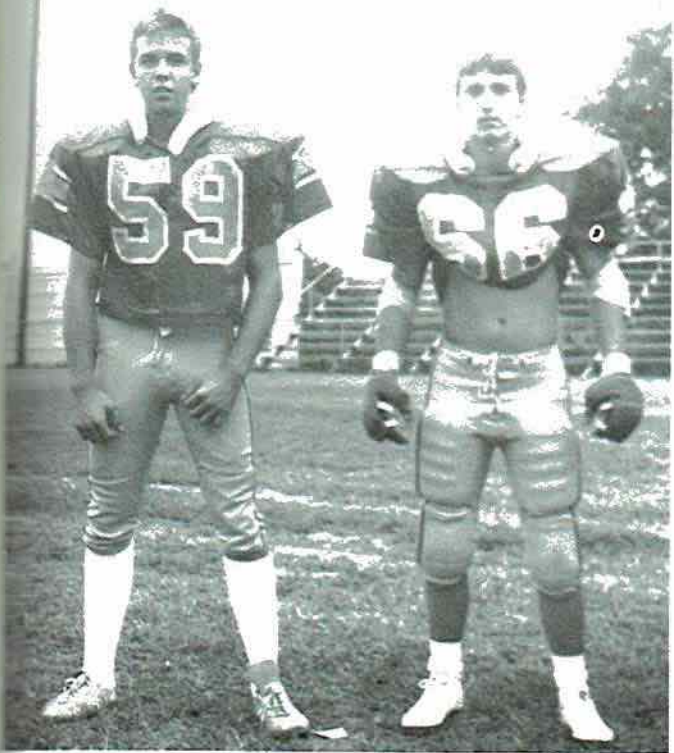


Randall and Greg.

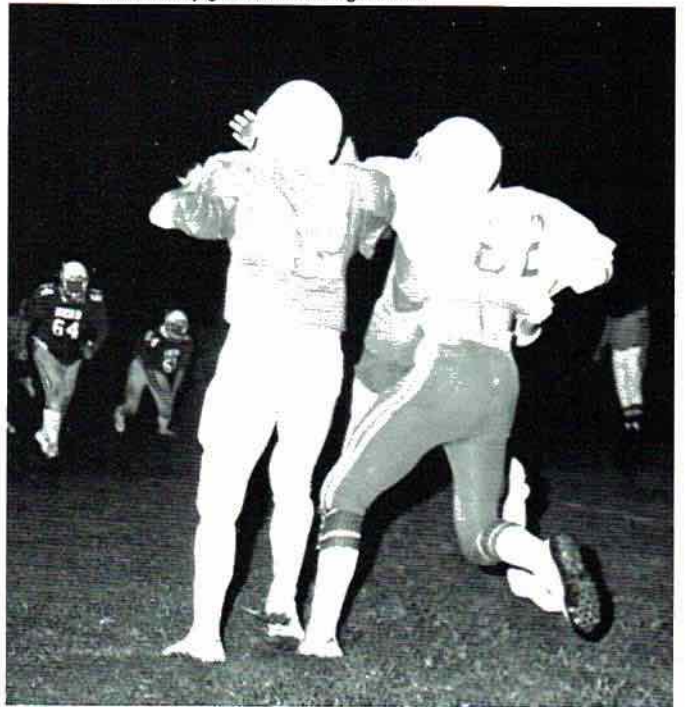
MOMENTS TO REMEMBER



Joe Woody gives a future Tiger a lift!



Dwayne and Moe.



Greg Whitcher blocks a screen pass!

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Being a cheerleader is something that means a great deal to Holli Davis, this year's cheerleader captain. Holli has been a cheerleader at BHS for six years. That alone tells us how much she likes cheerleading.

Although last year had both good and bad points, Holli says that everything ended with a good feeling, and that's what counts. This year was especially important to Holli, because it was her last.

Holli says that she will miss cheering for the Tigers, and that she wouldn't have missed the experience for anything.



Holli Davis, Sr., 3rd Year, Capt.



Stephanie Matthews, Sr., 2nd Year



Sharon Thomas, Sr., 2nd Year



1985 Varsity Cheerleaders



Kim Porter



Sandy Rowe



Sonia Sebring



Peggy Williams



Tammy Jackson



Margaret Gossett



Give Me A "T"!

THE CHEERLEADER SQUAD — those great girls who work so hard all year long, becoming a team who can get the job done. From getting Spirit Days up and leading pep rallies to cheering the team on during the Friday night games!

They put in grueling hours at cheerleader camp, practicing all summer long. They work very hard making the cheers just perfect, so there'll be no mistakes that would embarrass them or the school!

Football wouldn't be the same without the cheerleaders urging the team on, keeping the crowd fired-up all the time, screaming at the top of their lungs.

Basketball games wouldn't be the same either, without the cheerleaders standing at the edge of the court, pushing their team on.

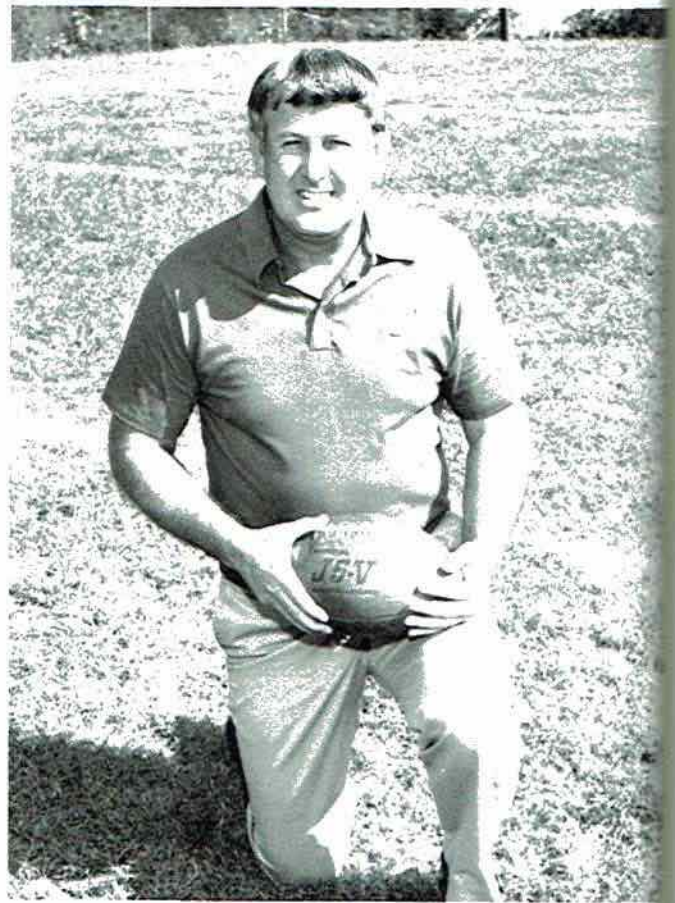
School days are hardly boring, thanks to the cheerleaders. They are a major part of what keeps school exciting.

No doubt, it takes lots of dedication and energy to be a cheerleader. Cheerleaders are a vital part of school morale.

School is no picnic, what with tests, classes, and homework. It's nice to have sports to lift the dullness out of school life, and it's nice, also, to have a dedicated group to keep everyone fired up!!!

“Gearing Up . . .”

In Junior High School, when athletes are ready to participate in the sport of their choice, they play on the Junior Varsity Team. The purpose of this team is to prepare young players for Varsity sports, as well as to represent the school in Junior Varsity games around the county. The Junior Varsity Football team at BHS does an excellent job at both. Coach Storey molds these players, teaching them the different facets of the game, giving them experience with working as a team, and generally getting them ready for the trials of the Varsity team. Of course, the Junior Varsity team also had its own squad of cheerleaders, who also vie for the chance to move up to the Varsity Cheerleader squad. The Junior Varsity organizations play a major part in school morale and supply varsity teams with excellent players in future years.



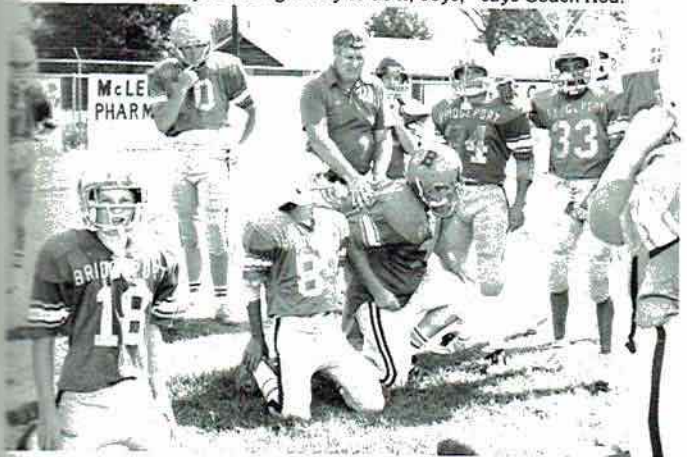
Coach Kenneth Storey.



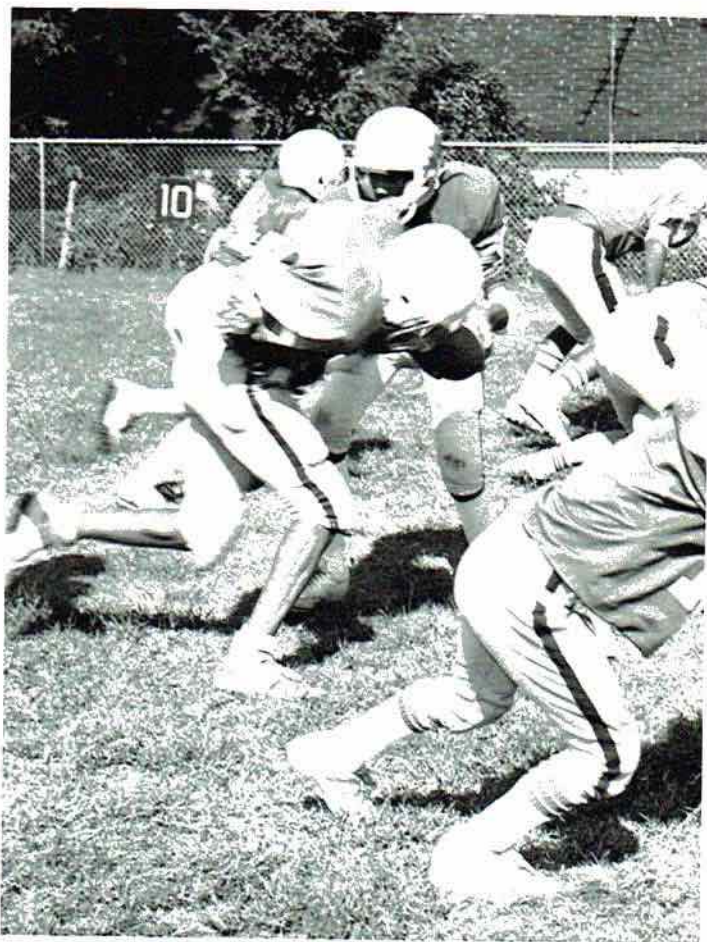
Front Row: Randall Davis, David Atkins, Jimmy Lee Akins, Shane Gray, Michael Walker, Sammy Smith. Middle Row: Jeff Thompson, Dan Cobb, Alex Atkins, John York, Steve Moore. Back Row: Lamar Graham, Chris Pope, Kyle Thomas, Levon Dave, Maurice Williams, Tim Allison.



"Let me show you the right way to do it, boys," says Coach Rod.



Breakin' Through!!!



"Boy, our coach sure walks strange!" says Kyle Thomas.



THE 1985 JR. HIGH CHEERLEADERS

Bottom Row: Leah Payne, Kim Sampley, Stacey Gothard. Back Row: Tammy Rogers, Stacy Boldin, Susan Stewart, Dawn Findley, Melissa Bice, Jami Long, Robin Smith.

Alex Atkins

Band Captains Sherry Guthrie, Kim Wells, and Kevin Britton.

Below, auxiliary band member, Ramona Haley, guards her flag from Coach D!



"By being drum major, I think I've gained self-confidence and also self-discipline. This has been a real learning experience. I learned that attitude can "make or break" success. I hope the underclassmen have learned dedication and responsibility from me! I will definitely miss the good times I have had during these past six years as a band member."

— Kim Wells



Bottom Row: Tina Mason, Addison Holder, Sherry Rogers. Second Row: Missy Mason, Ramona Haley, Karen Rogers.

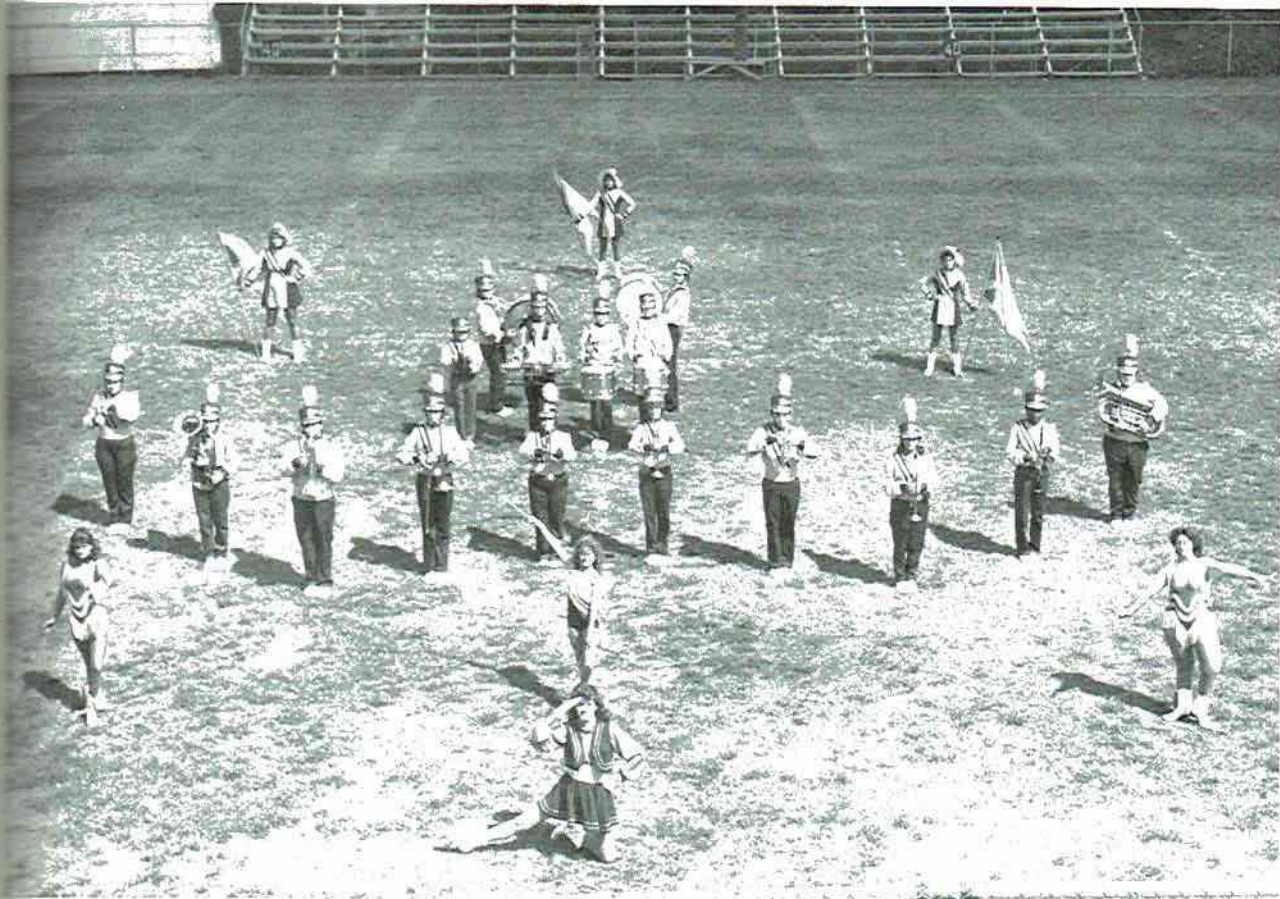


Mr. Kendall Hampton, Band Director.

THE FEW, THE PROUD, *The Marching* BAND OF BLUE!

We welcome a new band director this year, Mr. Kendall Hampton. He attended college at Mars Hill, North Carolina. He takes on a great challenge with such a small band. We have total faith in Mr. Hampton's ability to

mold the Band of Blue into a band BHS can be proud of. During last year's football season, he took the few, the proud, the Marching Band of Blue, and molded them into the efficient, crowd-pleasing squad that they are today.



THE POWER THAT PRESERVES

There are three varsity basketball teams at BHS: the Varsity A-Team Boys, Varsity Girls, and the Varsity B-Team Boys. Each team works hard on the court to look good, thus making BHS look good.

Teams win and teams lose, but the three teams at BHS never really lose. Even though they may be defeated score-wise, they never lose their dignity on the court. They take losses and wins with equal grace, though the wins may be accompanied with a little cheering, too.

The Varsity A-Teams record this year was 10-14. The girls came out with a 7-13 record, while the B-Team ended the season with a record of 11-8.

Through these losses and wins, one thing kept the Tigers going strong. In their case, the power that preserved was friendship. Because BHS is such a small school, everyone knows everyone. That's an excellent characteristic, as far as sports goes. Each member of the team is actually friends with all the other members. This makes for excellent teamwork, which makes for a strong team.

When the Tigers win, everyone wins, not just one person.

The credit goes to everyone on the team, and all the team members know it. It takes a group of people working together to make a team. Even when the teams lose, everyone shares the frustration. Everyone consoles everyone else, and often you hear several team members telling their comrades, "We'll get 'em next time!"

Friendship among the members of the three teams is an important aspect of their success. Without this friendship, the Tigers would be a hollow group of individuals. With it they are a functionable team. Friendship is the POWER THAT PRESERVES the Bridgeport Tigers.



Come on Eddie, dribble!!



David Abbott looks for an opening.



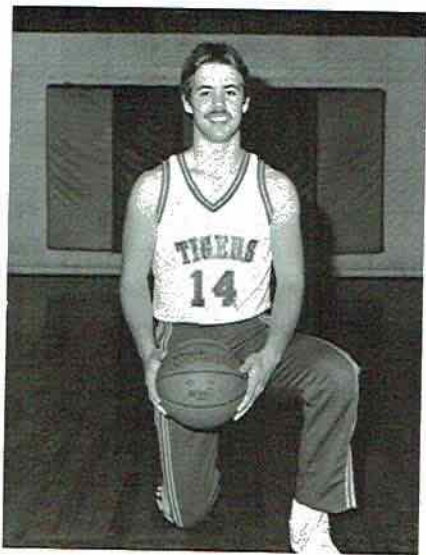
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VARSITY GIRLS — Front Row: Coach Storey. Second Row: Eleanor Walker, Coretta Bynum, Gayla Burrows, Lori Gamble, Danette Bynum, Cindy White, Jackie Nelson, Lisa Sparkman, Jean Allison, Allison Long.



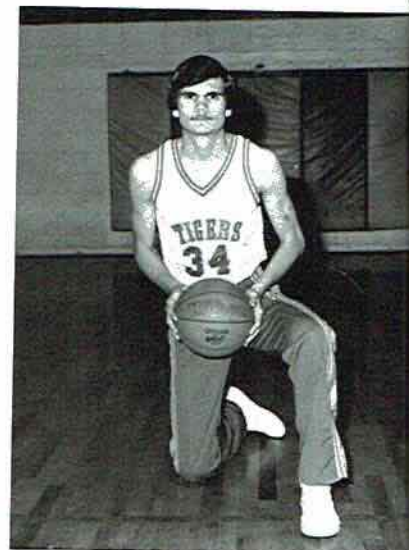
B-TEAM — Front Row: Coach Hamilton. Second Row: John York, Alex Atkins, William Sexton, Maurice Williams, Adrian Hutchins, Levon Dave, Chris Pope, Shawn Rudder, Eddie Bellamy, Gerald Thompson.



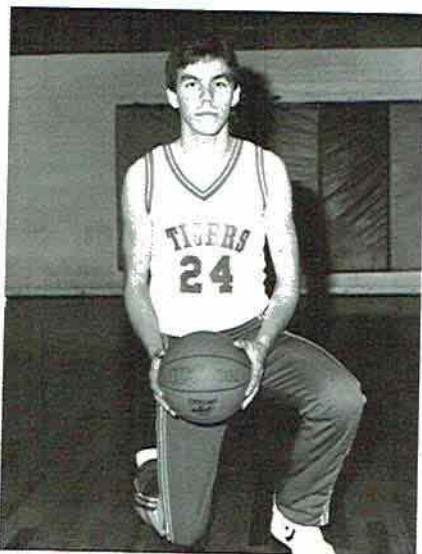
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Guard



Greg McCullough, Sr.
Guard



Dywayne Moore, Sr.
Forward



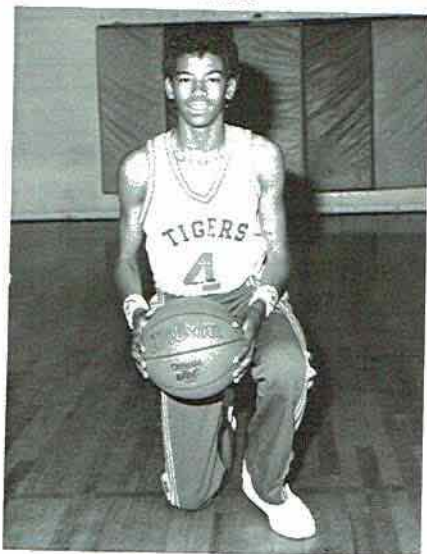
Mark Parker, Sr.
Forward



Chris Bynum, Jr.
Forward



Marty Cobb, Jr.
Guard



Corey Dave, Jr.
Guard



Jerald Hutchins, Jr.
Center

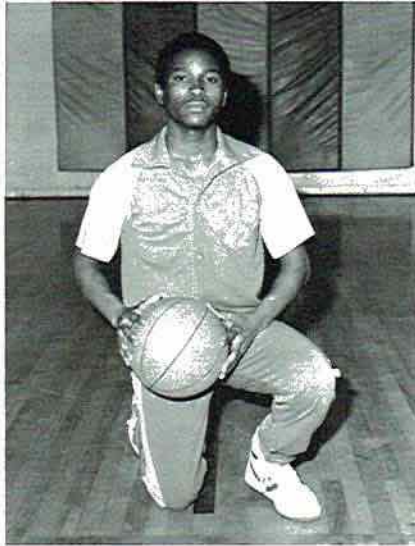


Chip Troy, Jr.
Forward

BOYS B-TEAM BOYS



Eddie Bellamy, Soph.
Guard



William Sexton, Soph.
Guard



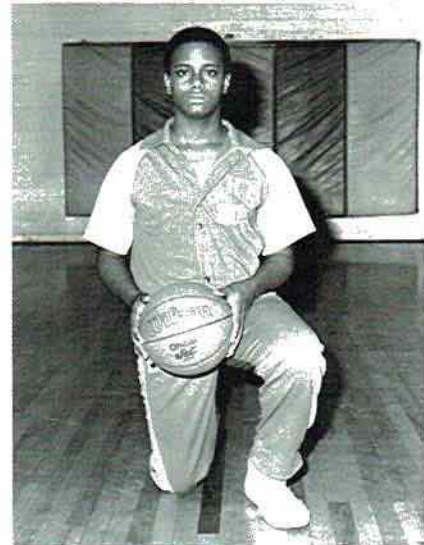
Gerald Thompson, Soph.
Guard



Alex Atkins, Fresh.
Guard



Levon Dave, Fresh.
Center



Chris Pope, Fresh.
Forward



Shawn Rudder, Fresh.
Guard



Maurice Williams, Fresh.
Forward



John York, Fresh.
Guard

VARSITY GIRLS



Jean Allison, Sr.
Guard



Jackie Nelson, Sr.
Guard



Eleanor Walker, Sr.
Forward



Coretta Bynum, Jr.
Forward



Lori Gamble, Jr.
Forward



Gayla Burrows, Soph.
Center



Danetta Bynum, Soph.
Forward



Allison Long, Fresh.
Forward



Lisa Sparkman, Fresh.
Guard



Cindy White, Fresh.
Center



Adrian Hutchins, Fresh.
Guard



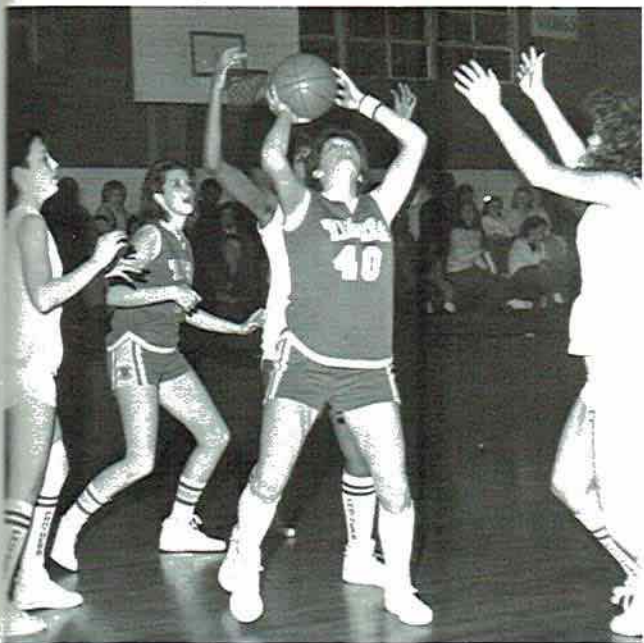
Ken Storey
Varsity Coach



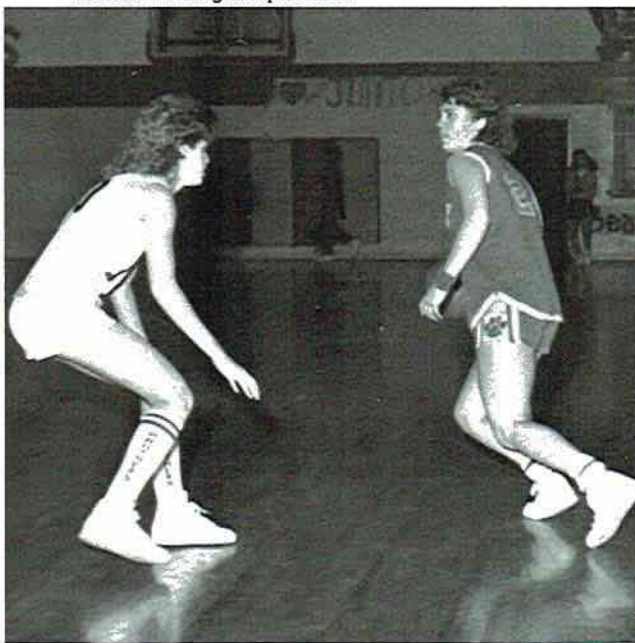
Woody Hamilton
Jr. High Coach



Eleanor Walker goes up for two!



Heads Up!!



Jackie Nelson tries to dodge a Panther!

TIGER SCOREBOARD

VARSITY BOYS (8-14)

Bridgeport	50	Woodville	49	Bridgeport	46	Woodville	44
Bridgeport	57	Fyffe	71	Bridgeport	51	N.S.M.	67
Bridgeport	44	Gordon Lee	60	Bridgeport	73	Skyline	57
Bridgeport	61	N.S.M.	71	Bridgeport	36	Gordon Lee	49
Bridgeport	55	Stevenson	81	Bridgeport	68	Fyffe	59
Bridgeport	65	So. Pittsburg	75	Bridgeport	75	N.S.M.	87
Bridgeport	61	Geraldine	50	Bridgeport	58	Stevenson	86
Bridgeport	60	So. Pittsburg	52	Bridgeport	74	Pisgah	83
Bridgeport	62	Pisgah	61	Bridgeport	69	Section	71
Bridgeport	70	Geraldine	72	*Bridgeport	82	Section	60
Bridgeport	73	Section	79	*Bridgeport	32	D.A.R.	43

*District Tournament

VARSITY GIRLS (7-13)

Bridgeport	43	Woodville	46	Bridgeport	33	Pisgah	34
Bridgeport	35	Pisgah	53	Bridgeport	48	Geraldine	32
Bridgeport	46	Section	51	Bridgeport	45	Section	40
Bridgeport	44	Fyffe	48	Bridgeport	20	Pisgah	45
Bridgeport	43	Gordon Lee	24	Bridgeport	28	Skyline	30
Bridgeport	42	N.S.M.	53	Bridgeport	50	Gordon Lee	38
Bridgeport	50	Stevenson	45	Bridgeport	41	Fyffe	56
Bridgeport	43	So. Pittsburg	55	Bridgeport	36	N.S.M.	56
Bridgeport	46	Geraldine	26	Bridgeport	32	Stevenson	49
Bridgeport	40	So. Pittsburg	53	Bridgeport	43	Geraldine	27



Jerald, George, and Marty take a break!



Come on, Marty, stand up!



Eleanor Walker grabs the ball!



Dywayne Moore tries for two!



SENIOR TIGERS — Front Row: Jackie Nelson, Eleanor Walker, Jean Allison. Back Row: Greg McCullough, David Abbott, Mark Parker, Dywayne Moore, Coach Storey.

JR. HIGH BASKETBALL



Front Row: Coach Hamilton. Second Row: Jeff Seabolt, Albert McAllister, Lamar Graham, Shawn Anthony, David Moore, Brian Janeway.



Front Row: Cindy White, Allison Long, Lisa Sparkman. Second Row: Katrice Henry, Veronica Walker, Cindy Collins, Casey McDonald, Pam Allison, DeAngela Allison, Cherry Walker, Norma Walker.



Veronica Walker takes a break!



Alex Atkins and John York happily discuss the game.



Cherry Walker, Norma Walker, and DeAngela Allison take a walk before the game.

VARSITY BASEBALL

Baseball and spring were made for each other, and without one, the other would seem out of place. This year, the Tigers came out ahead, with a record of 14 wins, 13 losses. With the able guidance of Coach Kenneth 'Rod' Storey, the Tigers did a super job. We congratulate them on their winning season.



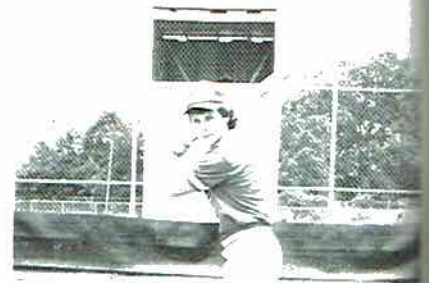
David Abbott
Senior



Greg McCullough
Senior



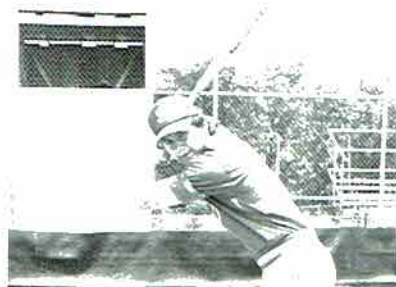
Joe Woody
Senior



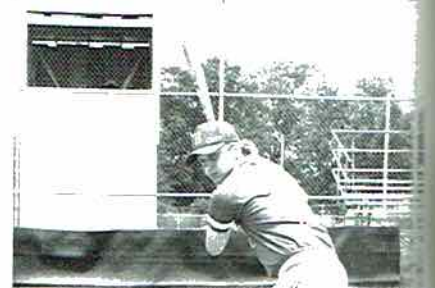
Trevis Thomas
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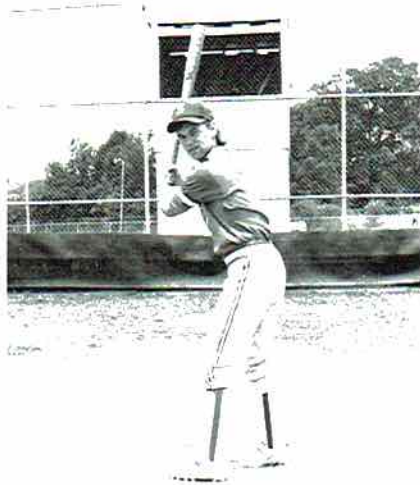
Todd Willis
Junior



Tom Wongmanee
Junior



Eddie Bellamy
Sophomore



Greg Blevins
Sophomore



Ronnie Scott
Sophomore



Houston Thomas
Sophomore



Gerald Thompson
Sophomore



Bo Turner
Sophomore



Joe Woody tries to steal before Travis tags him out!



Bo Turner awaits the next "home run" pitch!



AWARD WINNERS — Front: David Abbott and Greg McCullough, All-County and All-District baseball. Back: Greg Whitcher, All-County track; Travis Thomas, All-County baseball.



The senior squad. Joe Woody in front, Greg McCullough and David Abbott.



First Row: Gerald Thompson, Greg Blevins, Travis Thomas, Eddie Bellamy, Ronnie Scott. Second Row: Tom Wongmanee, Bo Turner, Chip Trost, Houston Thomas, Coach Storey. Third Row: Todd Willis, Greg Whitcher, David Abbott, Joe Woody, Greg McCullough.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

A new sport came into existence at BHS this year. The female part of BHS took on softball. The first season turned out pretty well, even though the team ended with a 4-5 record. During an interview with Coach Storey, we asked him to give his opinion of the season as a whole. "I thought it was real good for the first year. We got beat by Pisgah,

but they have been playing together for several years and have been in the state play-offs and in summer tournaments. We hope to improve next year and hope more girls will come out."

Bridgeport played four double-headers against Pisgah, and won three of eight games. They then played South Pittsburg once and won. Trophies were presented to the seniors at the end of the season and two players made All-County team.



Jackie Nelson and Gayla Burrows, All-County winners.



THE SENIOR SQUAD — Front: Susie Eldridge and Sherry Guthrie. Back: Melissa Cooper and Jackie Nelson.



Front Row: Sherry Guthrie, Susie Eldridge, Melissa Cooper, Jackie Nelson. Back Row: Corretta Bynum, Danette Bynum, Susie McAllister, Amy Willis, Kelly Thomas, Gayla Burrows, Shannon Anthony.

THE PEP CLUB

The Pep Club. Its job is a difficult one. It has the responsibility of keeping the student body 'pepped up' and ready for various sporting events. The job would seem to be a rather easy one at first glance. But what about the times when the Tigers are having a losing season and school spirit is low?

The Pep Club is there, ready to fire everyone up. Mrs. Abernathy is the faculty sponsor of the club, and she has continuously, year after year, done a superb job of organizing the Pep Club and its projects. At BHS, athletics are extremely important and winning is important. That's why it's even more important to have the Pep Club, to pick us up after the losses, to get us ready to win next time, and to never let us lose that Tiger Spirit . . . the Winning Spirit.



Front Row: Sonia Sebring, *Treasurer*; Jean Allison, *Secretary*; Cindy Roper, *Vice President*. Back Row: Stacey Gothard, *Jr. High Co-ordinator*; Kim Childress and Eleanor Walker, *Sr. High Co-ordinators*.



First Row: Cidy Roper, Jean Allison, Eleanor Walker, Sonia Sebring, Kim Childress, Stacey Gothard, Kristy Holder, Stephanie Crawford, Sherry Rogers. Second Row: Tammy Jackson, Madonna McCloud, Sandy Rowe, Kim Porter, Peggy Williams, Valerie Cox, Connie Burnette. Third Row: Mrs. Abernathy, Sponsor, Stephanie Lambert, Missy Mason, Tina White, Sherry Guthrie, Diane Peacock, Michelle Coffman, Kristie Bradford, Thomas Terry, Cindy Collins, Cindy Thomas.

B CLUB ANTICS!

If you play a varsity sport, attend BHS, and are incredibly tough, then the B-Club is for you. These are the only three requirements for membership in this elite organization. Of course, you do have to pass an initiation test. That's where the "incredibly tough" part applies. The cats are members in good standing who oversee the testing of those seeking membership, called rats. Each rat must raise an amount of money equal to that which his rat has bid on him. Whatever the cat tells the rat to do, he has to do, whether it's eating a raw egg, drinking hot sauce, or dressing up like old women and begging for money in the streets. The initiation is rowdy, but full of fun. It's tough, but if the rat passes his or her test and gains membership, it can be said he has accomplished something meaningful. He can be proud, and the following year, he will have a rat to toy with! The B-Club supports the school and encourages school spirit. Besides that, it's all great fun . . . unless you're a rat!



Front Row: David Bice, Vice-President; Eleanor Walker, Secretary/Treasurer.
Back Row: Coach Storey, sponsor; Greg Talley, President.



THE B-CLUB — Front Row: Kristy Holder, Eleanor Walker, Scotty Walker, Patrick Childs, Travis Thomas, Houston Thomas. Back Row: Susie Eldridge, Corey Dave, Greg Whitcher, Greg Talley, David Bice, Eddie Bellamy.

ENCOUNTERING

School extends far beyond the whitewashed walls of the classroom. This is, has always been, and hopefully always will be fundamental at Bridgeport High School — until consolidation, at least.

In the meantime, events are a very important part of our education here at BHS, as well as being a lot of fun. From these we learn much about planning and managing, handling stress and time, and dealing with people. Any person who has been successful in life will attest to the importance of such experience.

Fortunately for us students, we have several such people on the faculty and staff of this school. They serve as very fine examples of leadership and maturity, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their fine work.



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EVENTS



The Junior High Homecoming was one of the most exciting events of the season. The court consisted of seven girls elected by popular vote of the junior high student body. The queen, Jessica Cooper, was crowned by Kim McCarter, the 1984 junior queen, and presented a bouquet of red roses by Shelby Wilson. The crownbearers for the occasion were Holly Crabtree and Mark Cooper. The event as a whole was memorable for all, especially those in the court.



Jessica Cooper, Queen



1985-86 Junior High Homecoming Court



Jessica Cooper with escort Steven Moore

JR. HIGH HOMECOMING



Missy Mason, freshman, escorted by Alex Atkins



Amy Willis, freshman, escorted by Kyle Thomas



Angel Potterfield, eighth, escorted by Dan Cobb



Robbin Smith, eighth, escorted by Lamar Graham



Hollie Howard, seventh, escorted by Jeff Thompson



Kelli Thomas, seventh, escorted by Jimmy Akin



Holli Davis, Queen

Homecoming

'85



Melissa Cooper, Senior



Cindy Roper, Senior



Mary Beth Lambert, Junior



Peggy Williams, Junior



Tammy Jackson, Sophomore



Kim Allen, Freshman

1985-86 HOMECOMING COURT

"The week before homecoming, I was a nervous wreck! My dress wasn't ready until right before homecoming. I was so nervous. But after that night, I felt so special because I received the game ball. That meant a lot to me. The night was really exciting and I will never forget it!" This was what Holli had to say about the 1985 Homecoming.

And she was right. It was exciting. The Tigers had a wonderful victory, and the halftime ceremony was truly special. Speaking of special, what about our homecoming court? We really are proud of them, so proud we want to show them to everyone. So here they are!



Holli Davis, senior; escort, Greg Talley



Melissa Cooper, senior; escort, Patrick Childs



Cindy Roper, senior; escort, David Bice



Mary Beth Lambert, junior; escort, David Abbott



Peggy Williams, junior; escort, Greg Whitcher



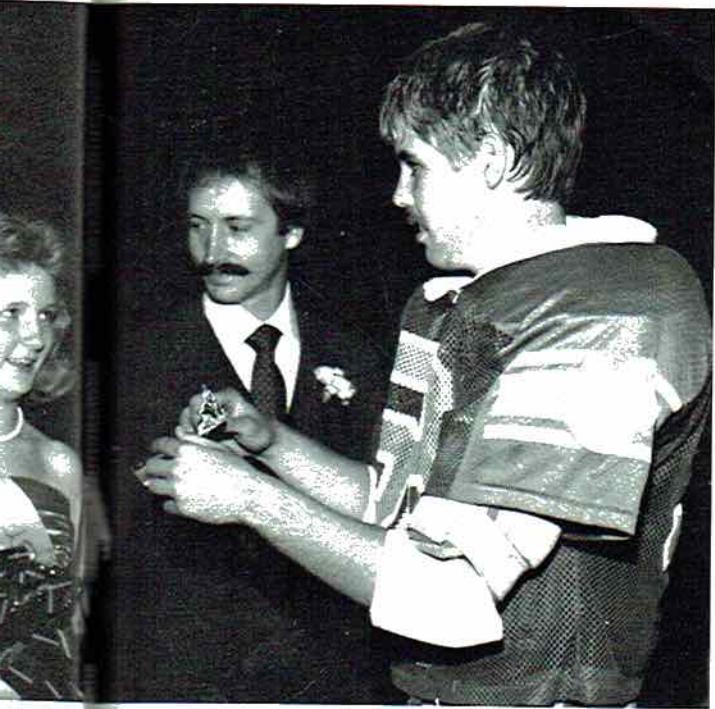
Tammy Jackson, sophomore; escort, Charlie Blevins



Kim Allen, freshman; escort, Maurice Williams

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE REGAL KIND





1. Give us a break!
2. David Abbott crowns the 1985 Homecoming Queen, Holli Davis.
3. Tammy Jackson smiles at her fans.
4. One cool couple!
5. Another exciting photo session!
6. Future BHS royalty.
7. Cindy Roper and her "Cinderella" smile!
8. Peggy Williams is lookin' good!
9. Our 1985 Homecoming Court.



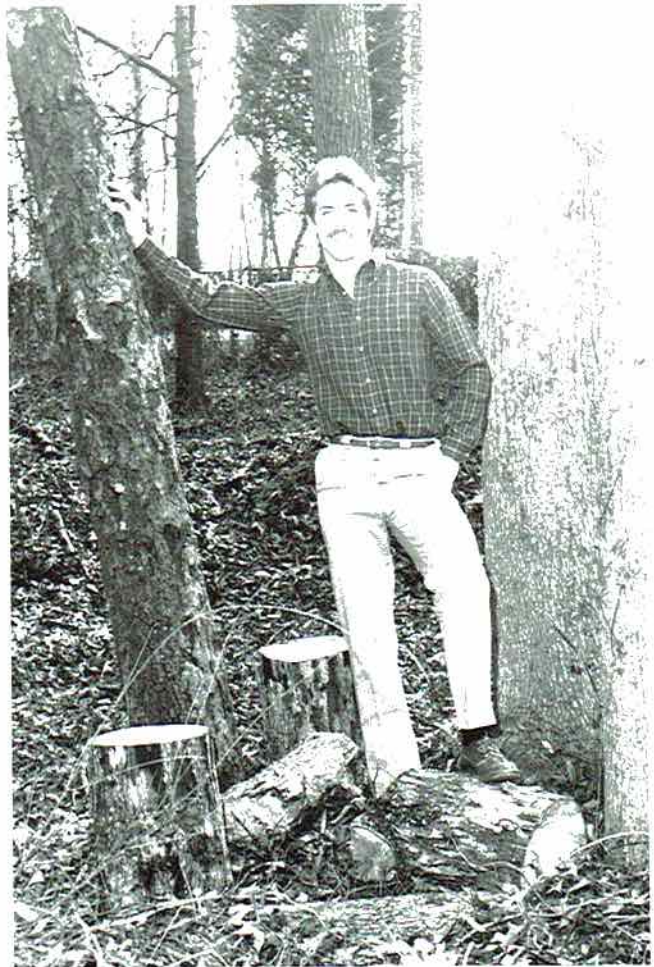
*Mr. and Miss BHS
David Abbott and Stephanie Lambert*



Just a swangin'!



Stephanie is rocking on!



David Abbott strikes a G.Q. pose!

Mr. BHS, David Abbott, has continued to keep himself busy throughout his high school career. Not only has he played three years of varsity football and baseball, and two years of basketball and track, he also serves as Vice-President of the senior class, and was elected Best Dressed by his classmates. Aside from his school activities, David enjoys working at Bridgeport Sports, otherwise known as "Rod's Store," and at the swimming pool in the summer as a lifeguard. But David is not all work and no play; he also likes to duck and deer hunt and ride his horse, Bandit. David's wide area of interests and talents make it plain that he has truly earned his title as Mr. BHS.

Miss BHS, Stephanie Lambert, also has many hobbies. Among them are: drawing and sketching, collecting remnants of years past, keeping journals of everyday life, and traveling. Someday, she would like to travel to foreign countries and learn other ways of life. Stephanie has been a member of the Beta Club for three years and was elected Most Dependable by the senior class. In the future, Stephanie plans to pursue a career in Business Administration.



*Jr. Mr. and Miss BHS
Alex Atkins and Valerie Cox*



Left: Larry Bird hasn't got anything on me. Below: Play it, Valerie!
Bottom Left: "Our fans love us, Valerie," says Alex.



Junior Mr. BHS, Alex Atkins, is an enthusiastic student here at BHS. He has enjoyed playing basketball for three years, football for two years, and baseball for one year. He is a member of FFA and secretary of the ninth grade class. Alex says his favorite hobbies, besides girls, are hunting, trapping, and fishing. In the distant future, Alex hopes to either go into the Air Force or become an optometrist.

Junior Miss BHS, Valerie Cox, has several interesting hobbies, too. She not only likes going shopping, spending time with her sister, and reading, but she really enjoys "clowning" around — yes, literally clowning around! Valerie, alias "Happy," has her own business, Rent-a-Clown. She has also been busy at school. She has been on the *Blue and Gold* paper staff for one year, in the Pep Club for two years, and on the Student Council for three years. We're sure that Valerie's hard work won't stop after graduation because then she hopes to pursue a career in medicine.



Mr. and Miss BHS, David Abbott and Stephanie Lambert



Senior Favorites, Greg Talley and Kim Wells



Jr. Mr. and Miss BHS, Alex Atkins and Valerie Cox



Freshmen Favorites, Lee Hughes and Jessica Cooper



Junior Favorites, Dywayne Moore and Sharon Barham



Sophomore Favorites, Alan Brown and Cindy Jones

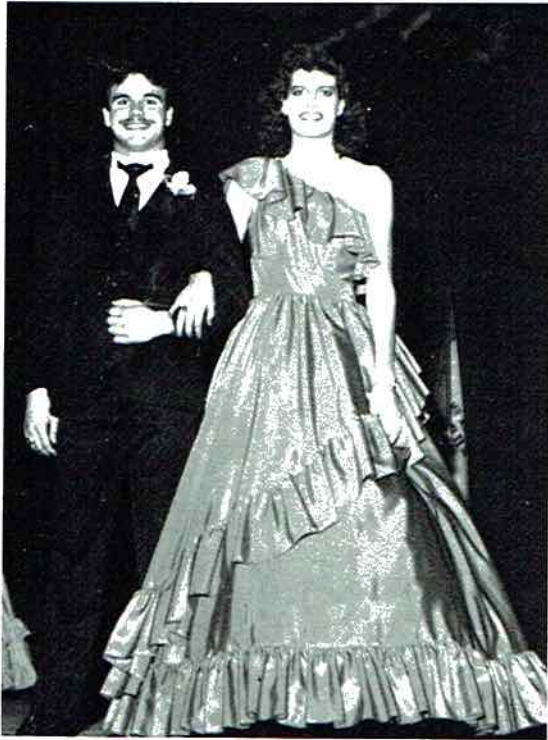


Eighth Grade Favorites, Lamar Graham and Robbin Smith



Seventh Grade Favorites, Albert McAllister and Hollie Howard

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF A



Greg and Kim, come on down!



A royal pose.



Not another picture!



Sharon Barham receives her flowers.

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Eighth grade favorites love to smile.



"Just look at this ribbon," says Cindy.



This has been a long day!



Senior representatives speaking about the royalty.

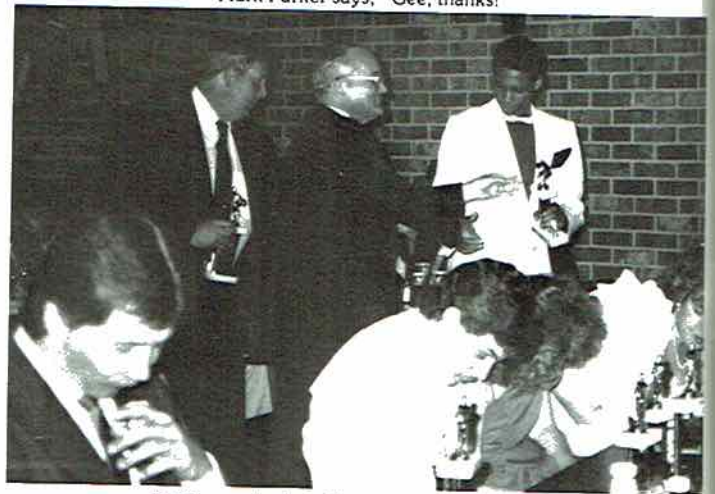
The 1985-86 Bridgeport High School Varsity Sports Banquet was held on March 28 at the Scottsboro Western Sizzlin'. "The Tigers are the Cat's Meow" was the theme, and the ever popular Garfield was seen everywhere. After everyone had enjoyed a delicious steak dinner, awards were given to athletes and cheerleaders in recognition of their hard work and dedication. Bridgeport athletes have a long tradition of being hard workers and striving for excellence, a tradition that will surely endure for many years to come. After the accolades were all awarded, the banquet was over for another year. Smiles and happy faces could be seen as everyone left the banquet hall — smiles of satisfaction for a job well done.



Mark Parker says, "Gee, thanks!"



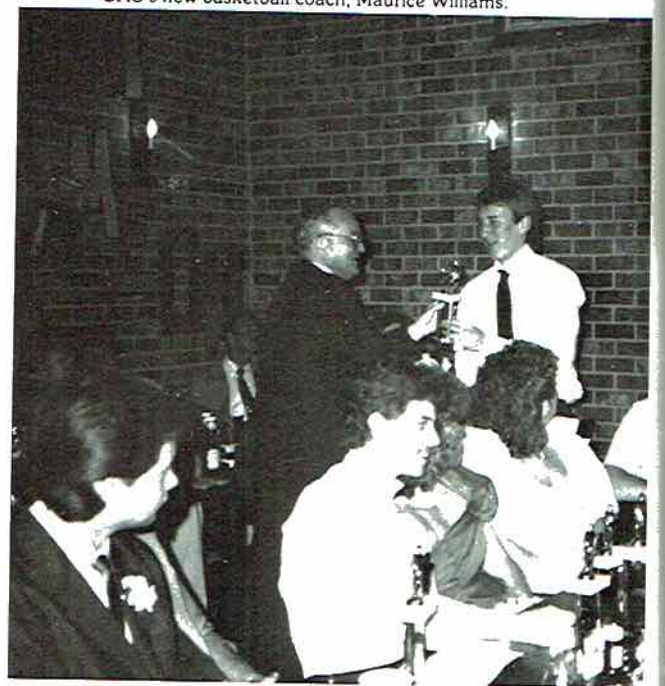
We all love you, Nannie and Papa Shedd!



BHS's new basketball coach, Maurice Williams.



Banquets can be long!



"I'm gonna get you, Coach," says Chip.



"Heeeey, Aaabbott!!"



Junior cheerleaders, Sonia Sebring and Sandy Rowe.



Congratulations, James Foster Graham!



1985-86 Best Defensive Lineman, Danny Wongmanee.

TIGERS ARE THE CAT'S MEOW!



Phew! Rod, your mouthwash ain't making it!



Shawn Crockett and Maurice Tubbs; Bridgeport Vice!



Jami Long is awarded a trophy by Faye Payne.



"Thanks, Mr. Redd!" says Shane Gray.

"We're Bad To The Bone" was the theme of the junior high sports banquet held on March 7, 1986. The athletes were awarded trophies for their hard work over the past year. Faye Payne presented the cheerleaders with their awards; Coach Kenneth Storey presented the basketball trophies and, accompanied by Barron Redd, the football awards.

The night climaxed with a dance after the banquet. The junior high once again had another great year in sports, both in football and basketball. Keep up the good work.

J-J-J-Junior High OUTRAGEOUS!



Leah Payne, Kristie Smith, and Lisa Sparkman relax before the banquet.

1985-86 BAND BANQUET



Sherry receives John Philip Sousa Award.



We're ready to eat.



A few band members with their awards.



Brett Haley receives his band certificate.



Proud parents look on.

On May 16, the Bridgeport High School Band of Blue hosted its annual banquet. They chose the theme "Greatest Love of All" and selected Mud Creek Restaurant as the location. It was a memorable occasion for all who attended.



New Beta members!



Secretary, Lori Gamble



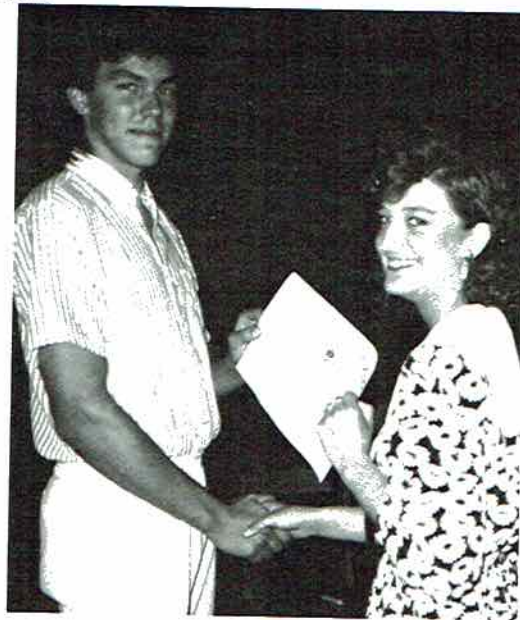
Betas with lighted candles.

BETA INITIATION

The Bridgeport High School Beta Club is a chapter of the National Beta Club. To be eligible for this club, a student must have an overall "B" average.

Members of the Beta Club also form the core of the *Blue and Gold* paper staff.

The Beta Club, along with the Student Council, recognizes the importance of academics by presenting a scholarship to an outstanding student.



Sharon Barham receives her certificate.



Holli says, "It's about time!"

Beta/Student Council Party '86



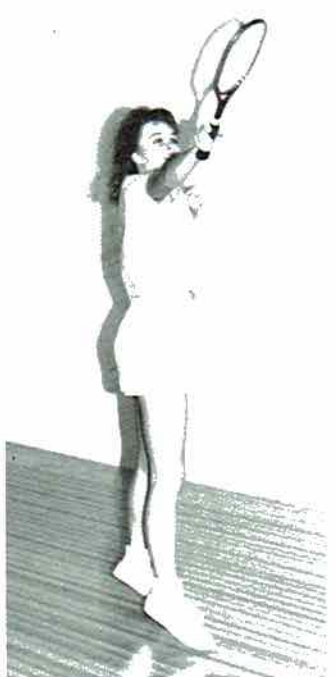
Mark, Lori, and David are having a blast!



Student Council members have a rap session with Mrs. Tally.



Is it good, Alicia?



Raquetball pro, Cindy Collins.



Good party, huh?



Kevin takes a dip.

The Beta Club and Student Council decided to change their combined banquet to a combined party this year, held at the Valley Athletic Club in Hollywood on May 17. This enjoyable evening was certainly more exciting than just eating out.

AHHH, SOOO!!

On April 25, the Annual Staff met at Tokyo for their yearly banquet, Kanpai of Tokyo in Chattanooga, that is. They dined on Japanese cuisine such as chicken, steak, shrimp, scallops, rice, and vegetables, all sautéed in teriyaki sauce. This was topped off with a desert of orange sherbet or cream cheese pudding. The group had the pleasure of watching their meal being prepared by Taro, a Japanese chef. After the Annual Staff's unpredictable night on the town, they went back to their hard work and dedication of preserving the year's history for Bridgeport High school.



Wow! She's really putting it away!



This is just wonderful!



"Heaven's on fire!"



Tell me again, what is this?



Taro prepares the feast.



Hey, check out these weird forks!



Hawg jewels, this ain't!



Taro juggles the shakers.



What's floating around in this stuff?



Todd grins devilishly into the smoke.

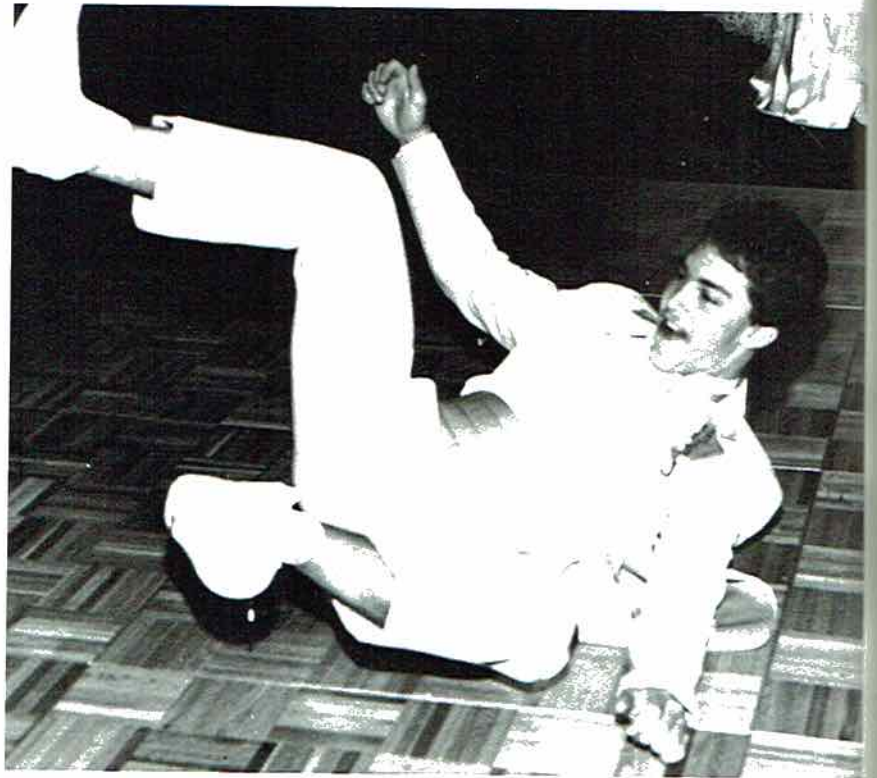


This Far Eastern group is far out!

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER



"May I have this dance?" asks Scotty Walker.



Patrick Childs takes a spin on the dance floor.



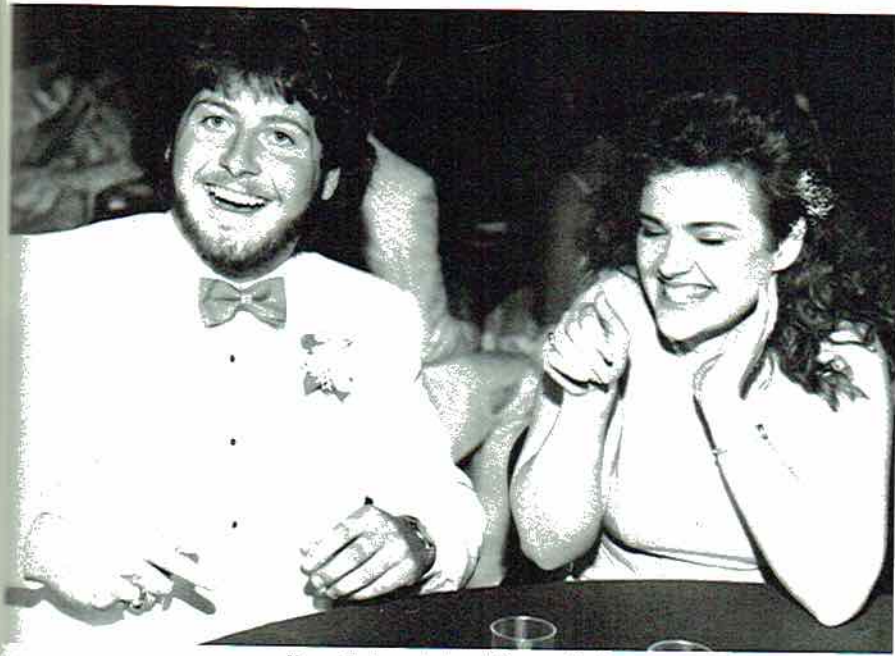
"Hey," exclaims Cindy Roper.



"Yes, we're bad," says Kevin Thomas.

The junior-senior prom is always an event that is looked forward to for months and remembered for years. This year's prom was no different. It was again held at Hamilton County Trade-Convention Center in Chattanooga. The theme was "A Night to Remember," and we're very sure nobody will ever forget that special night!

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Karen Foshee giggles, "Now, really!"



Todd Willis looks smashing.



Peggy and Charlie know how to boogie.



"Do you want to dance?" asks Danny.



Ms. Washington takes a whirl on the floor.



Mrs. Tally asks husband Trey for the next dance.



Ride 'em, cowgirls



Fix it right, Lindsey!



Love those cool rays, Kevin!



Thanks for the cakes!

Seniors '86



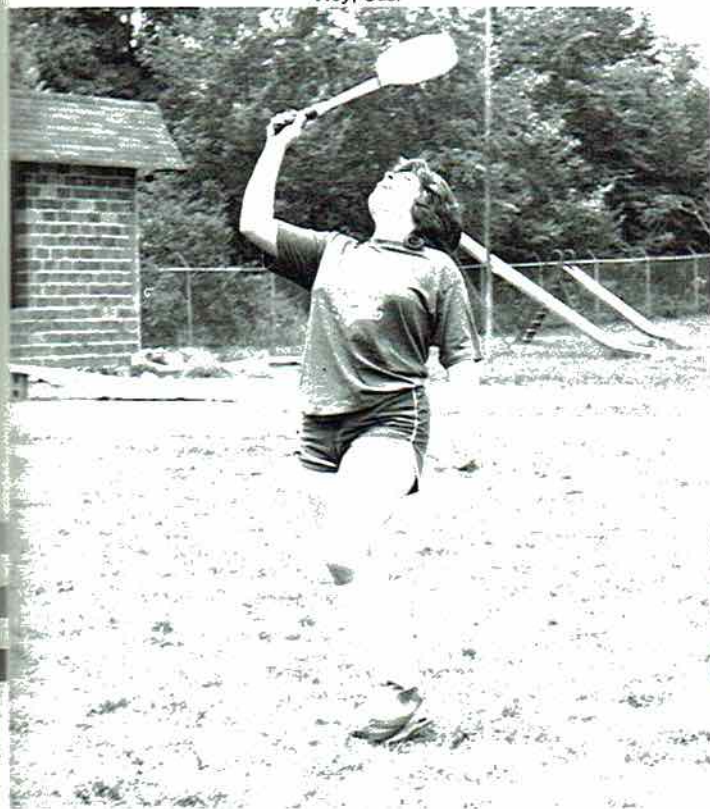
"Hey, Cuz!"



Senior chefs!



Enjoying your meal?

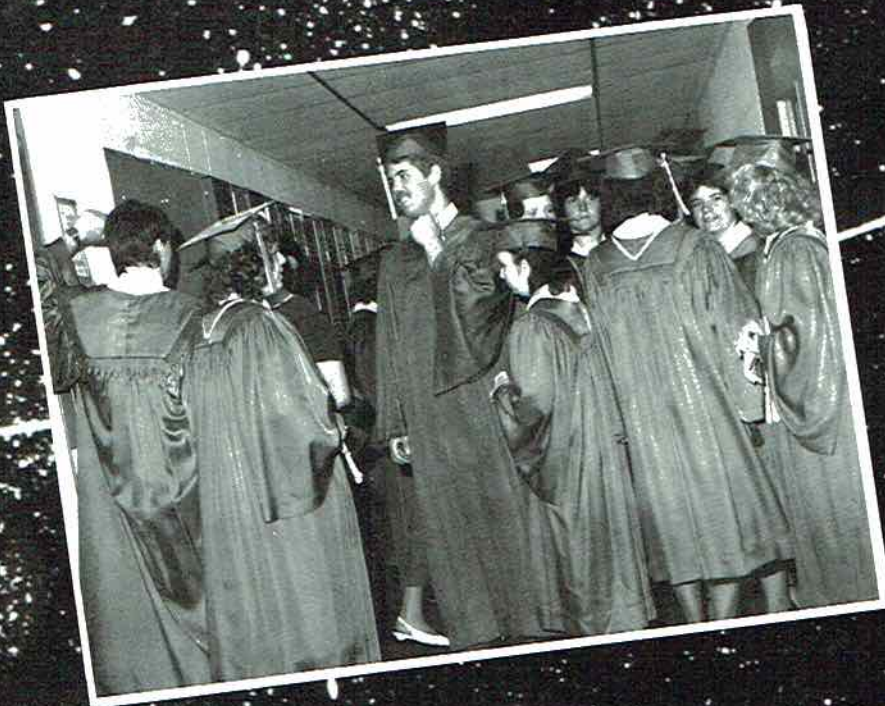


Hit the birdie, Sherry!



Cheers, Betty!

ENCOUNTERING



NG ACADEMICS

Academics are an important factor in everyone's life. In today's world, one must have a greater knowledge of math, science, and computers than ever before in history. Schools were formed centuries ago to teach academics. Today academics may be different from before, but they are still the basis of the school system.





Alicia Whitcher, Editor



Mark Parker

YEARBOOK STAFF



Holli Davis



Kim Paris

Each year many special memories are made during the school year. The yearbook staff works hard to record those memories for later recall.



Loretta Burnett



Kelli Faircloth



William Bynum



Chip Troy

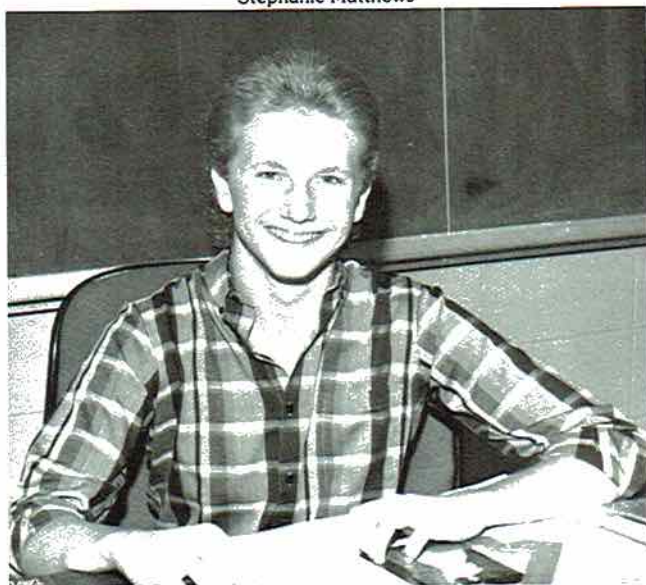
RECORDING MEMORIES



Stephanie Matthews



Greg Whitcher



Todd Willis



Mrs. Elizabeth Mountain, Sponsor

BETA CLUB



Back Row: Stephanie Matthews, Stephanie Lambert, Kelli Faircloth, Greg Whitcher, Todd Willis, Mark Parker, William Bynum, Chip Troy, Alicia Whitcher. Front Row: Sharon Thomas, Kim Paris, Mary Beth Lambert, Lori Gamble, Loretta Burnett.



Mark Parker, President; Alicia Whitcher, Vice-President; Lori Gamble, Secretary; Loretta Burnett, Treasurer; William Bynum, Reporter; Elizabeth Mountain, Sponsor.

Members of the Bridgeport Chapter of the National Beta Club must maintain an eighty-five average and be an example of good character and leadership. The Beta Club is the sponsor of *The Blue and Gold*. The Beta Club also co-sponsors the Elizabeth Mountain School Service Scholarship.

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William Bynum, Todd Willis, Co-Editors; Mrs. Elizabeth Mountain, Sponsor; Greg Whitcher, Sports Editor; Alicia Whitcher, Feature Editor.

THE BLUE AND GOLD

Keeping up with the news around BHS is much easier thanks to the *Blue and Gold* staff. Along with the news, the staff includes comics, artwork, and opinion polls for the students' entertainment.

, Chip Troy,



Front Row: Mitzi Whitcher, Stephanie Matthews, Corey Dave, Kim Steele. Back Row: Cindy Collins, Connie Burnett, Sharon Thomas, Cindy White, Amy Willis, Tracy Smith, James Barnard.

n, Reporter;

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Club also
scholarship.



Front Row: Mary Beth Lambert, Lori Gamble, Chip Troy, Kelli Faircloth. Back Row: Kim Wells, Holli Davis, Kim Paris, Sharon Barnham, Loretta Burnett, Stephanie Lambert.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA



First Row: Donnie Henson, Paul Payne, Harold Smith, Cecil Rich, Chucky Murray, Greg McCullough, Randall Potterfield, Roger Hubbard, Greg Blevins, John Childs, Dwayne Abbott, Greg Sparkman, Larry Pylant, and Vinson Crawford. Second Row: Scott Whited, Michael Ferguson, Shane Troy, Steven Moore, Michael Whited, Tracy Smith, David Troxell, Patrick Childs, Travis Thomas, Robbie Olinger, Lee Hughes, Jimmy Scott, David Stewart, Patrick Sebring, and Tommy Hughes. Third Row: Mr. David Smith, sponsor; Dywayne Moore, Troy York, Gerald Thompson, Eddie Bellamy, Doug McCutchen, Clifford Condra, Bo Turner, Tim Westbrook, Bobby Howard, Houston Thomas, Jeff Seabolt, Alex Atkins, Michael Walker, Shawn Rudder, and David Moore. Fourth Row: Steve Warren, Jeff Blevins, Eric Warren, James Barnard, Barry McCloud, James Woody, Terry Guess, Maurice Williams, Chris Pope, Tim Allison, Kevin Rogers, Melissa Boyd, John Roper, and James McCarter. Fifth Row: Dewayne Talley, Steve Moore, Kyle Thomas, Michael Rich, Steven Lambert, Stacy Bynum, Adrian Hutchins, Levon Dave, Robert Smith, Kevin Britton, Mark Warren, Kevin Short, and Ronnie Scott.



FFA members show off the flagholders they made for the community.

Future Farmers of America are an active club at BHS. This year the club members have taken on several projects for the school and community. They built flag holders for the town, painted the auditorium stage, repaired the ag building, and repaired several other things in the school, such as broken windows and the football ticket booth.



First Row: David Smith, sponsor; Harold Smith, president; Dywayne Moore, vice-president; Travis Thomas, secretary; Patrick Childs, representative; Larry Pylant, sentinel; Donnie Henson, treasurer.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA



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- 1. Lynette Smith and Stephanie Lambert.
- 2. Sherry Gutherie and Miss Brown, sponsor.
- 3. Kristy Holder and Cindy Roper.

Future Homemakers of America is one of the many service clubs in the school. Throughout the year, the members raise money to update the Home Economics department. At the end of the year, the club holds a banquet.

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DRIVERS' SAFETY CLUB



Back Row: Sponsor, Harold Hughes, Charlie Summers, Randall Potterfield, Gayla Burrows, James Barnard, Danette Bynum, Stephanie Lambert, Kristy Holder, Cindy Jones, and Shonta Bynum. Front Row: Susie McAllister, Greg Blevins, Angie Brown, Margaret Gossett, Lori Payne, Eddie Bellomy, and Carla McDowell.

According to Margaret Gossett, president of the Drivers' Safety Club, the club's main function is to promote a safety-conscious world. Club members encourage the use of seat belts and emphasize traffic safety; they are also involved in a campaign to discourage drunk drivers. The Drivers' Safety Club attempts to make everyone aware of the fact that he isn't alone on the highways. Gossett hopes drivers become aware of the dangers each time they are traveling.



Sponsor, Mr. Hughes; President, Margaret Gossett; Vice President, Kristy Holder; Secretary, Stephanie Lambert; Treasurer, Charlie Summers.

LIBRARY CLUB

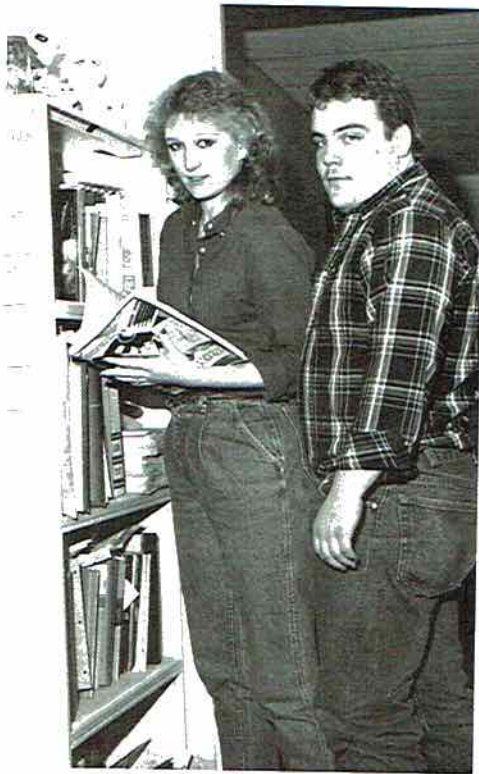


Members of the library club must be willing to give up one period of their school day to work in the library. They shelve and checkout books, take inventory, and clean up the library. Without the help of the library club, it would be difficult for students to use the library facilities.



Top Left: Valerie Willmon, Jean Allison, Susie Eldridge, Cindy Rich, and Ms. Harrison, sponsor.
Middle Left: Sharon Thomas, Lynette Smith, Shonta Bynum, and Norma Walker.
Bottom Left: Sitting — Kim Allen and Margaret Gossett.
Standing — Mrs. Marie Atkins, aide, Tammy Rich, and Stephanie Lambert.





Carla and Mark — In search of a college.

Nowadays the old saying, "Hitting the books," has new meaning. Not only is academics studying out of a book but it is also hands on training with computers, musical instruments, power tools, and business equipment.



"Abby, I need a little help," whines Robbie Olinger.



Allison Long and Shawn Rudder are cutting on a biology project.

Students in home ec also learn crafts.



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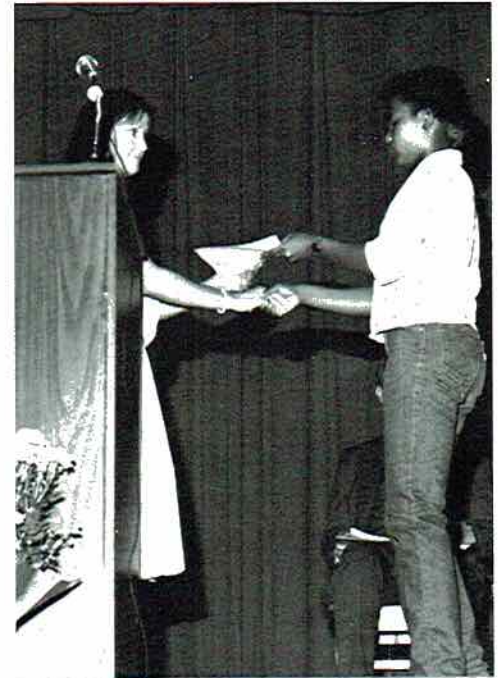
Kim Wells at her piano lesson with Mrs. Stahl.



Sonia Sebring — typing queen?



"Be careful, Donnie, that thing's sharp," warns Greg Blevins.



Lynn Allison receives the English award.

Charley Summers is working hard.



HARD WORK D



Chris Mathis does it again.



Alicia Whitcher presents a gift from the Student Council.



Rep. Ben Richardson and Holli Davis.

After much hard work and studying, many students of BHS were awarded for their efforts when, on May 23, 1986, Honors Day was held to award deserving students and announce scholarship winners. Several special presentations were made during the Honors program. On behalf of the Student Council, President Alicia Whitcher presented the school with a three hundred dollar check. Rep. Ben Richardson presented Alicia Whitcher and Holli Davis with House of Representatives Page certificates. Congratulations to all the award recipients!



Mr. Parker presents Cindy White with the Latin award.

MARK DOES PAY OFF!



The geometry award goes to Carla McDowell.



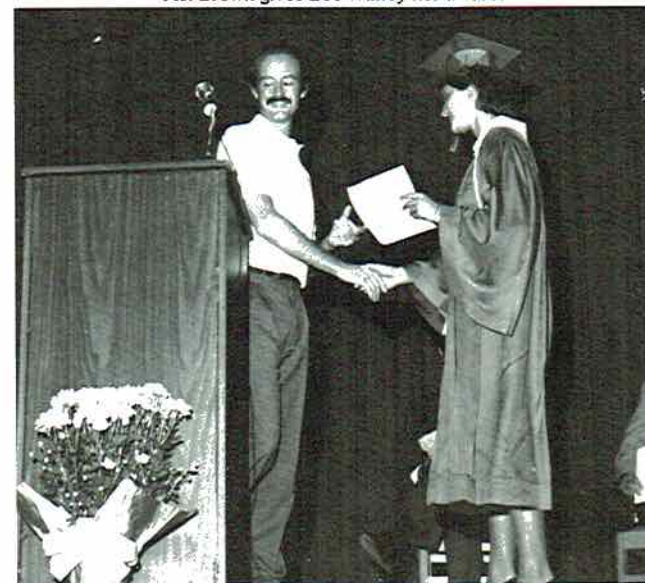
Wanda Ragan receiving the science award.



Ms. Brown gives Lee Wilkey her award.



"Thanks, Dad," says Mark Parker.



Melissa Cooper receives the World History award.

BHS AWARD WINNERS



Valerie Lambert, computer literacy; Lynn Allison, English 8, math, history, science, and home and personal management.

The award winners at BHS deserve to be congratulated for their achievements. The award winners should be examples for us all.



Lee Wilkey, home ec. 7; Wanda Ragan, science; Lisa Lawson, English 7 and history. Not Pictured: Allen Blevins, math.



Valerie Cox, English 9, Alabama history/geography, and basic consumer homemaking; Cindy White, Latin I.



Back Row: Chris Mathis, English 10, geometry, typing, math team, health; Valerie Wilmon, driver's safety; Carla McDowell, geometry; Carol Smith, general math. Front Row: Charlie Summers, physical science; Tammy Jackson, Outstanding Sophomore, math team; Greg Blevins, biology.



Third Row: Greg Whitcher, English 11, American history, pre-calculus, math team; Shannon Anthony, physiology; Tom Wongmanee, air conditioning-refrigeration. Second Row: Travis Thomas, typing I. First Row: Sonia Sebring, typing I, Mary Beth Lambert, data entry/word processing; Kim



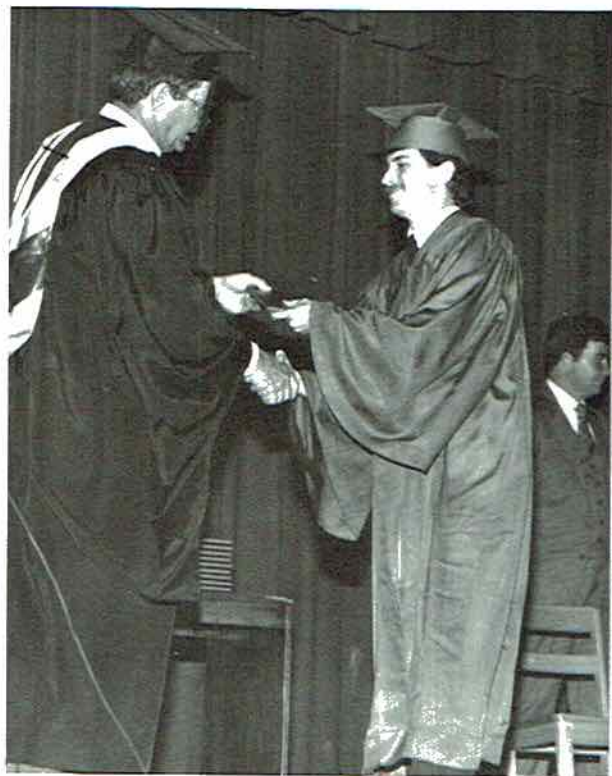
Melissa Cooper, world history; Kelli Faircloth, 3rd place writing competition; Stephanie Matthews, math team, democracy; Alicia Whitcher, English 12; Stephanie Lambert, Algebra I, economics, home ec.; Jean Allison, applied business math.

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Kelli Faircloth looks toward the future.



David Bice proudly receives his diploma.



"Thank you!" exclaims Eleanor Walker.



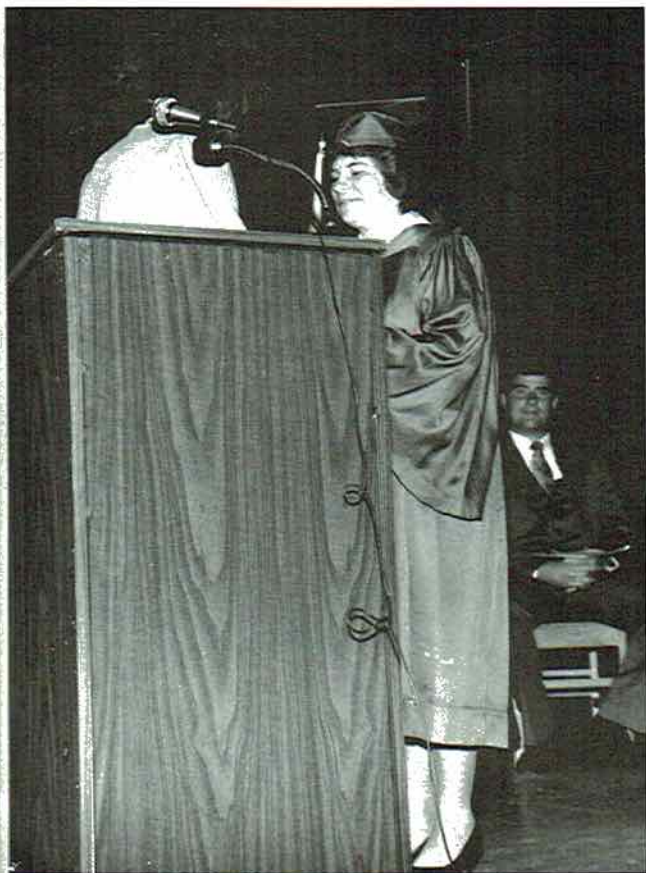
John Mashburn and Melissa Cooper.

Earning one's diploma is a great achievement. Receiving that diploma during graduation exercises with your friends and family proudly watching is a moment to remember always.

The graduation exercises for BHS's Class of 1986 were held May 29, 1986. Twenty-nine students graduated with many receiving awards and scholarships.



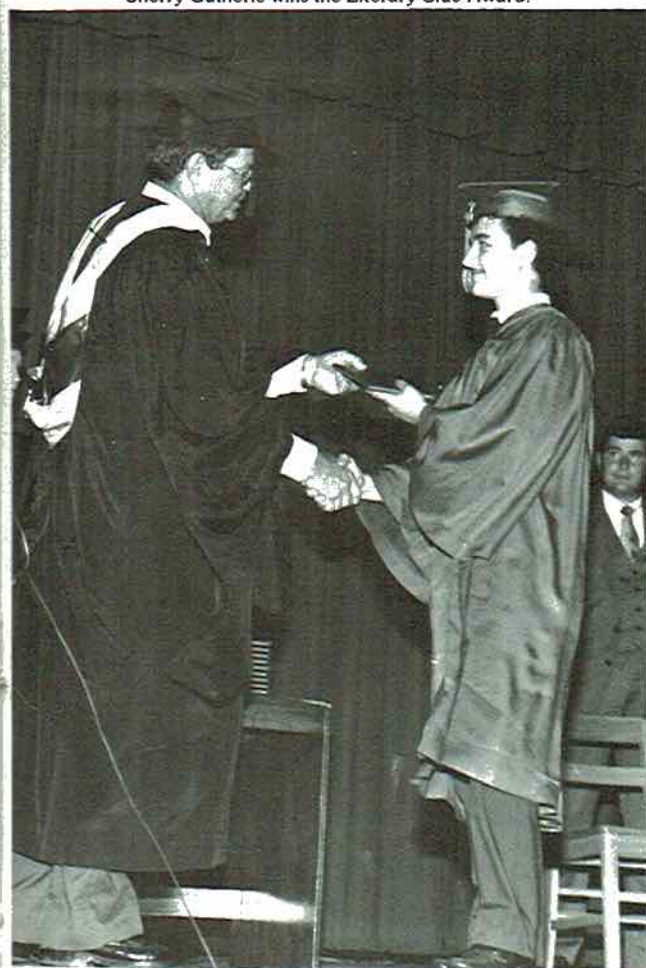
The Class of 1986.



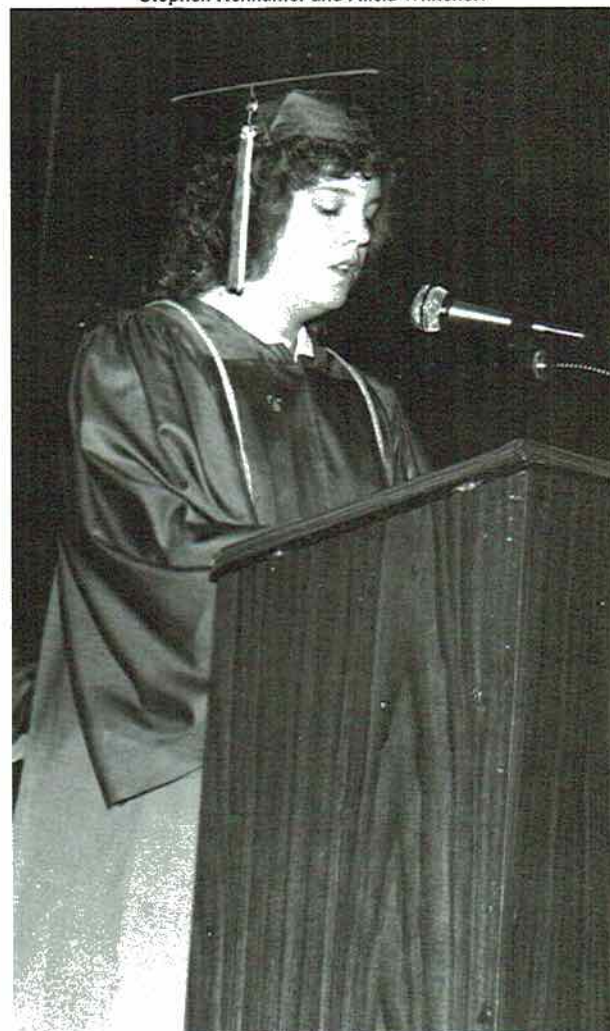
Sherry Gutherie wins the Literary Club Award.



Stephen Kenamer and Alicia Whitcher.



George, Lindsey got it!



Stephanie Matthews speaks about new horizons.

HURRAY!!

The scholarship and award winners deserve to be congratulated for their accomplishments.

Front Row: Kelli Faircloth, Salutatorian; Stephanie Matthews, Valedictorian. Back Row: Alicia Whitcher, fifth; Sharon Thomas, fourth; Stephanie Lambert, third.

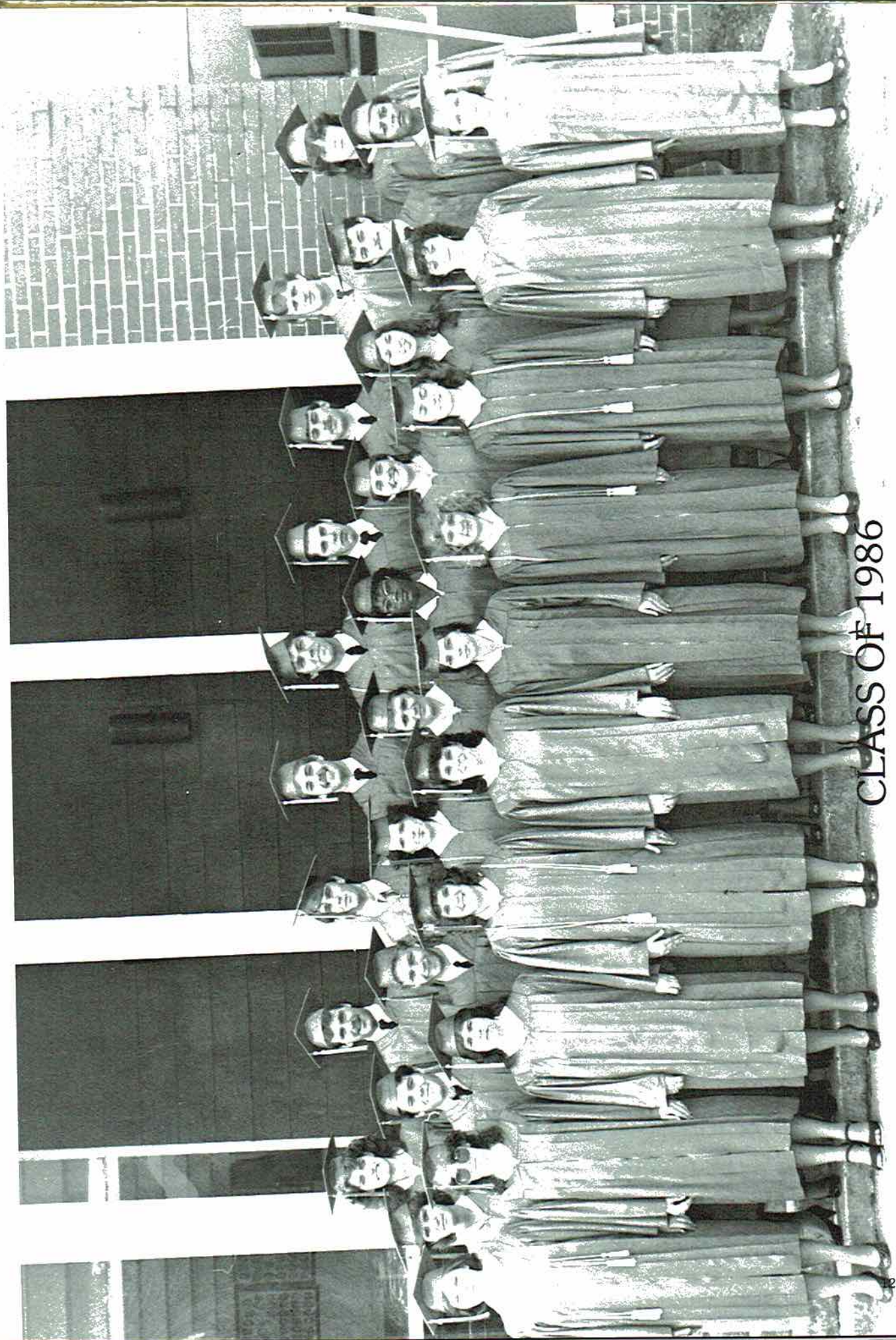


Holli Davis, L. G. Balfour Award; Stephanie Matthews, DAR Good Citizenship Award; Kelli Faircloth, DAR Good Citizenship Award; Alicia Whitcher, Ray Kroc Youth Achievement Award; Sherry Guthrie, John Phillip Sousa Award, Bridgeport Literary Award.



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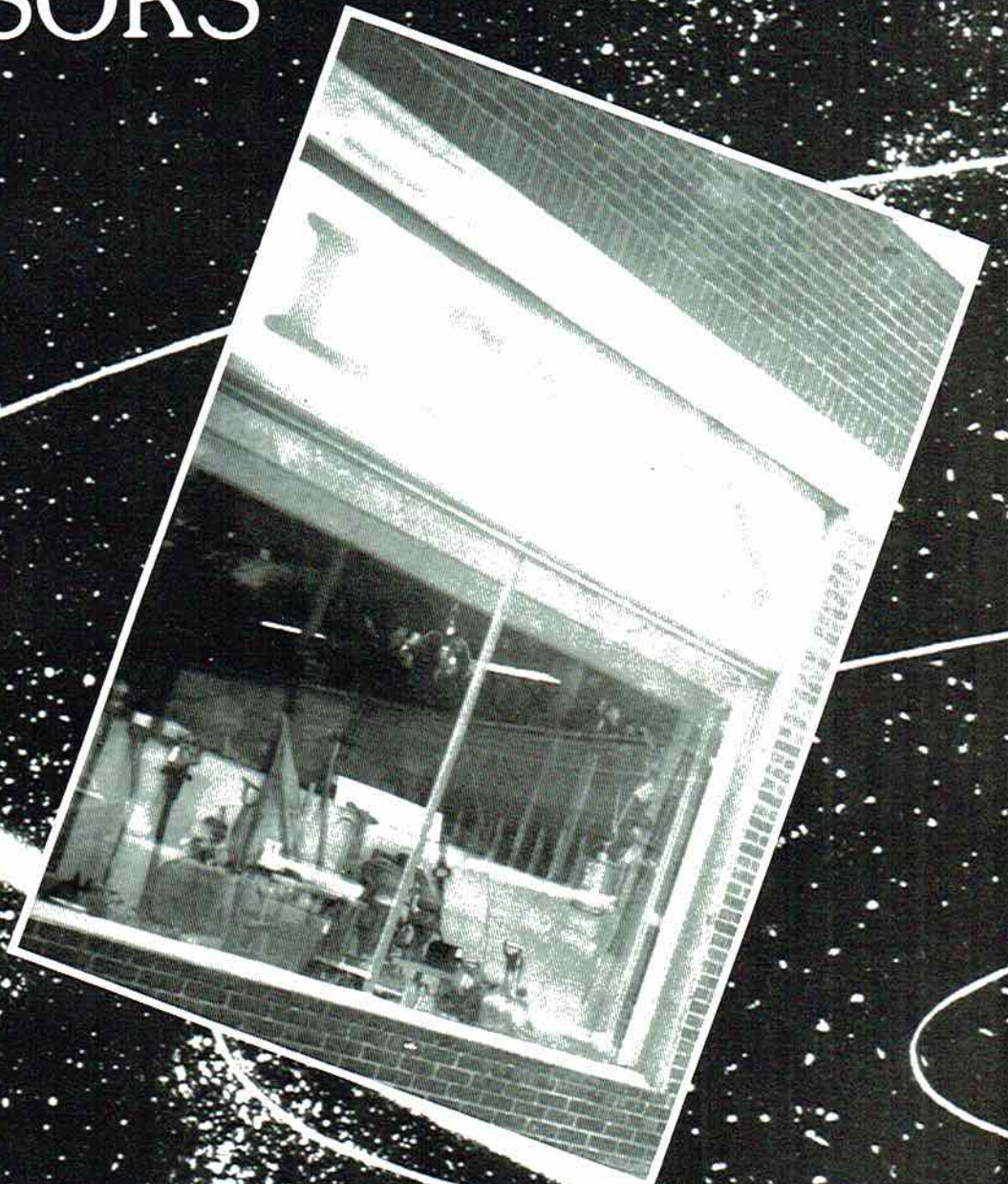


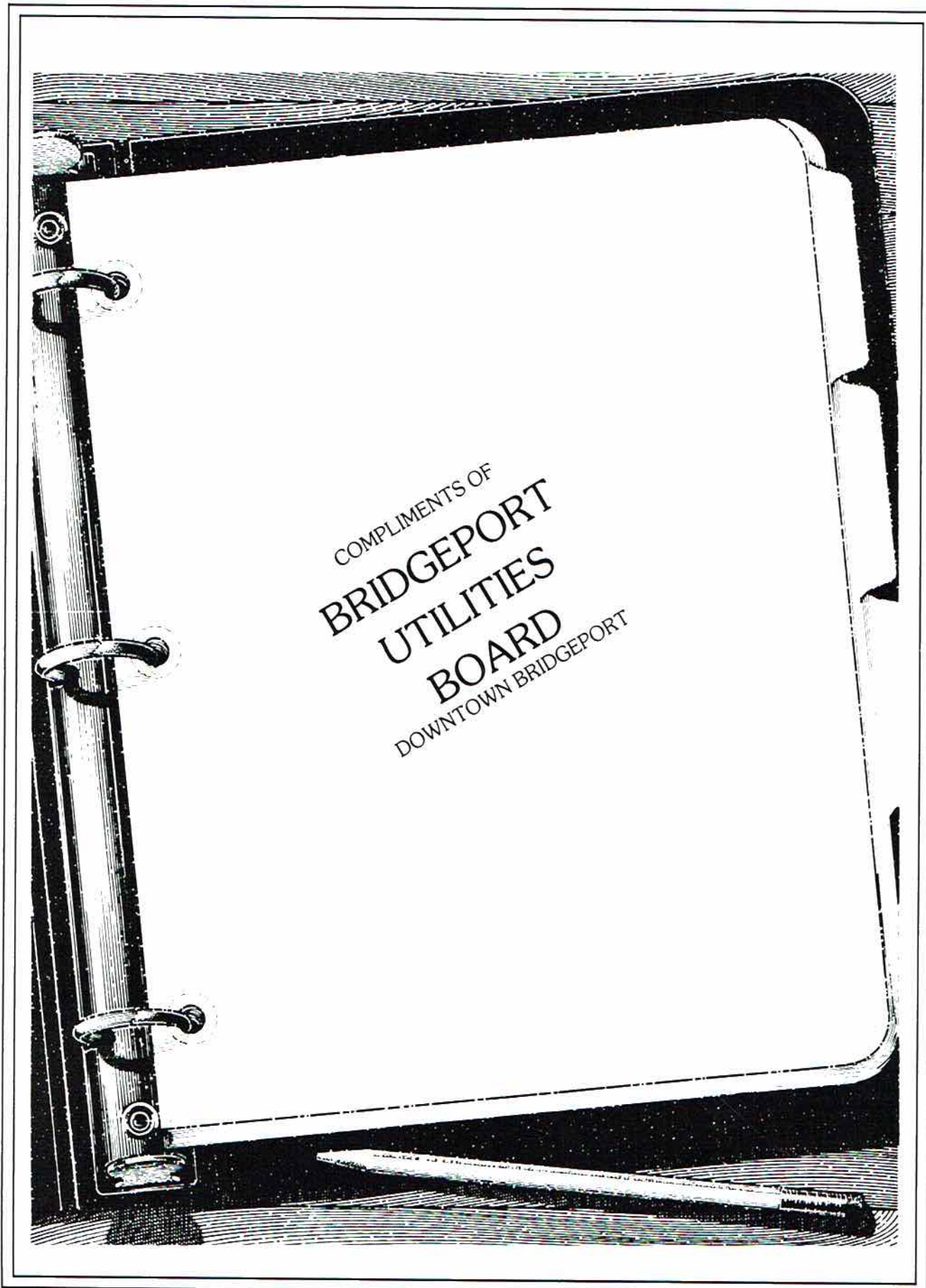
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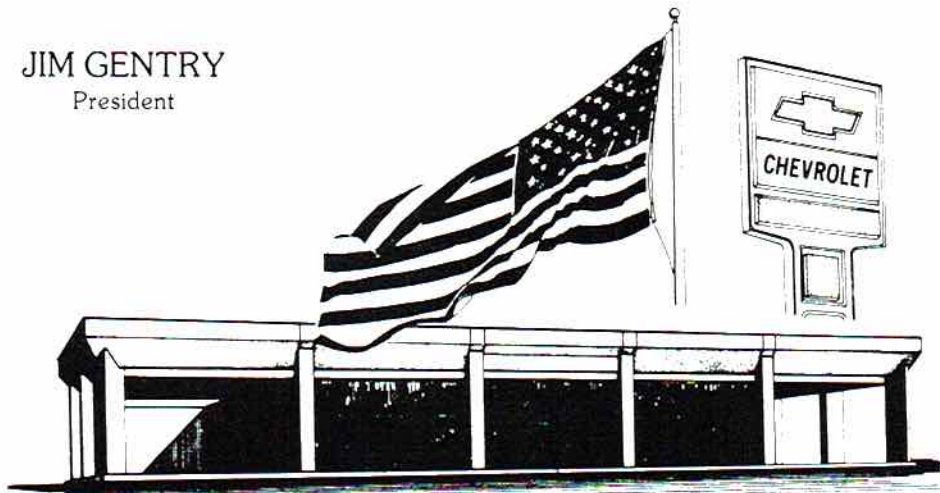
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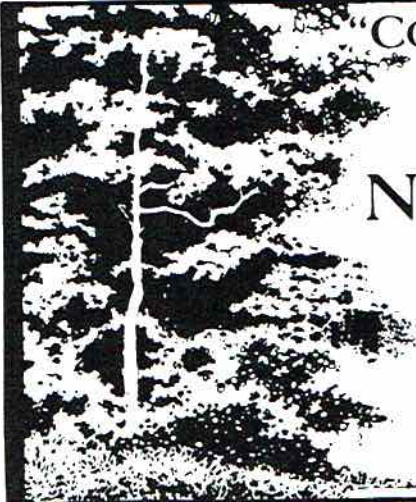
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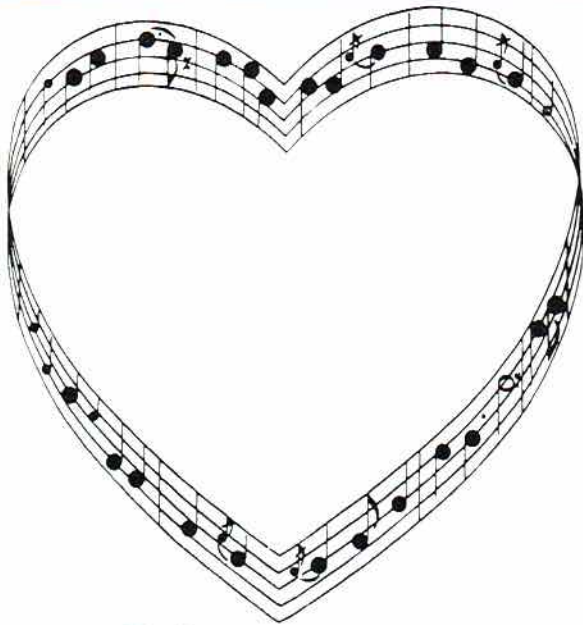
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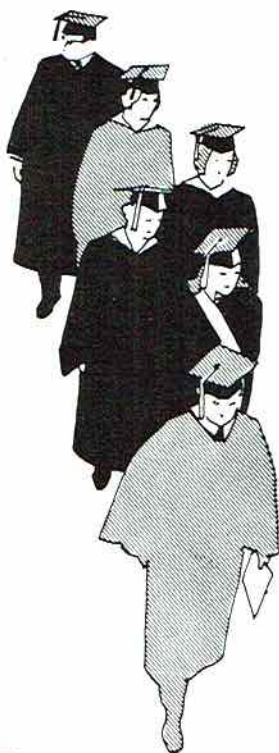
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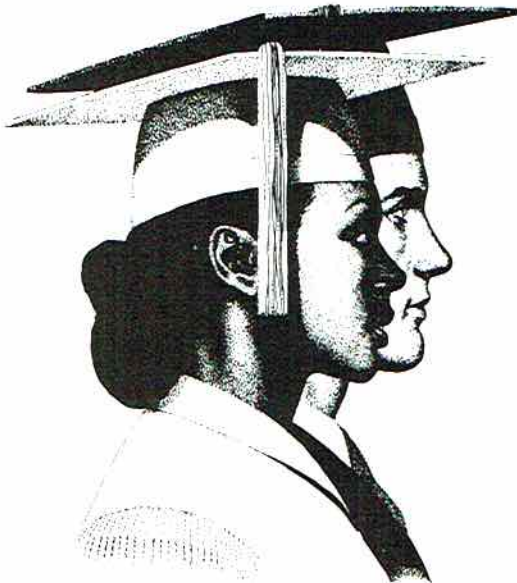


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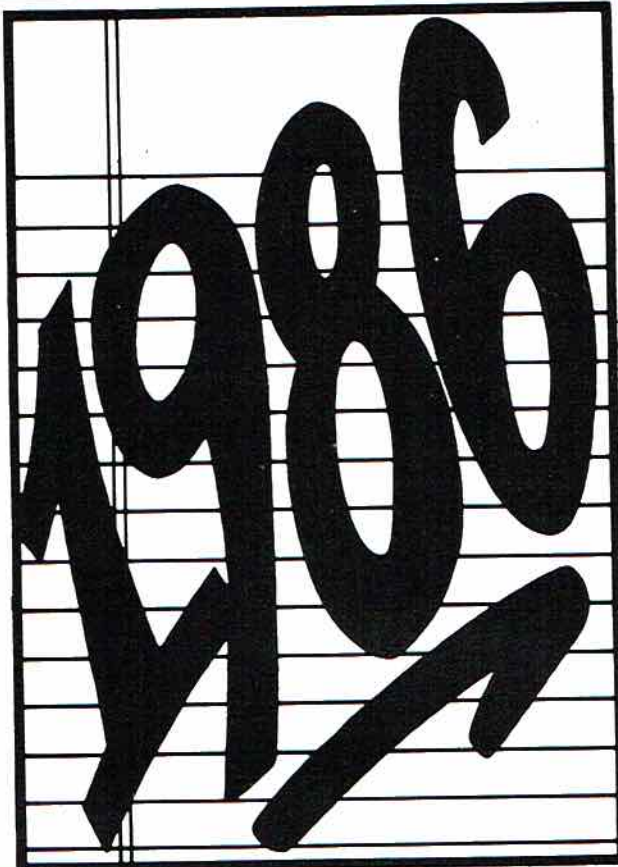
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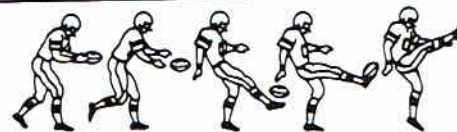
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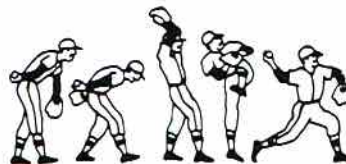
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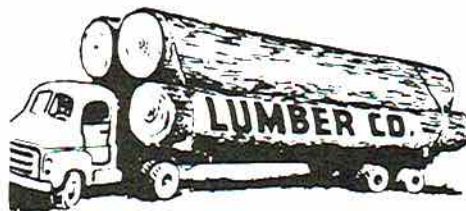
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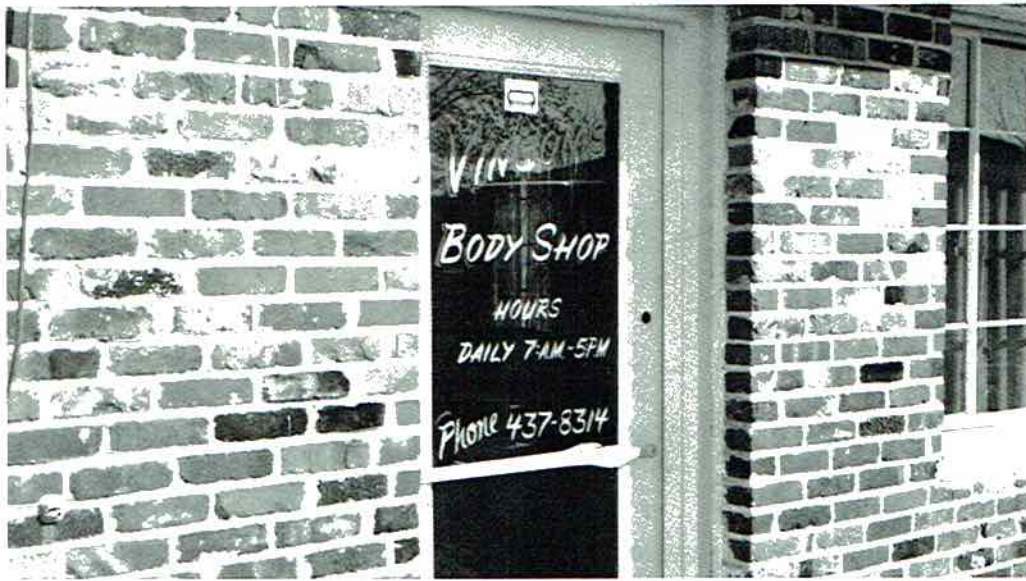


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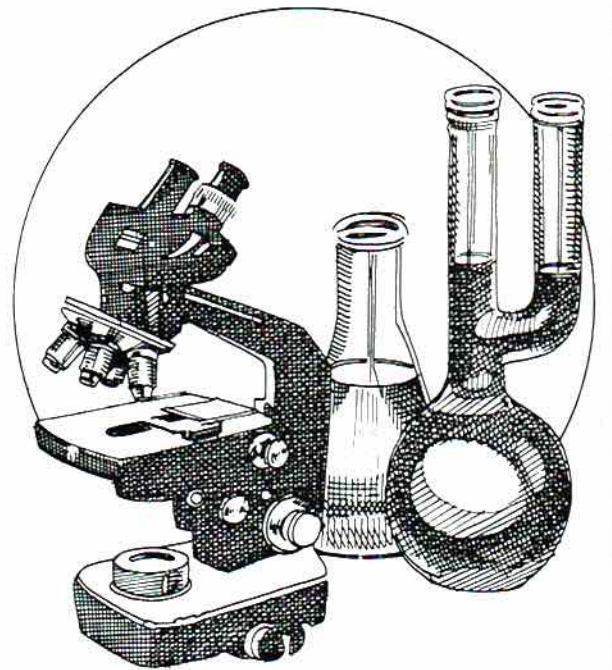
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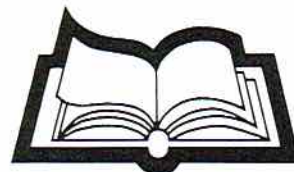
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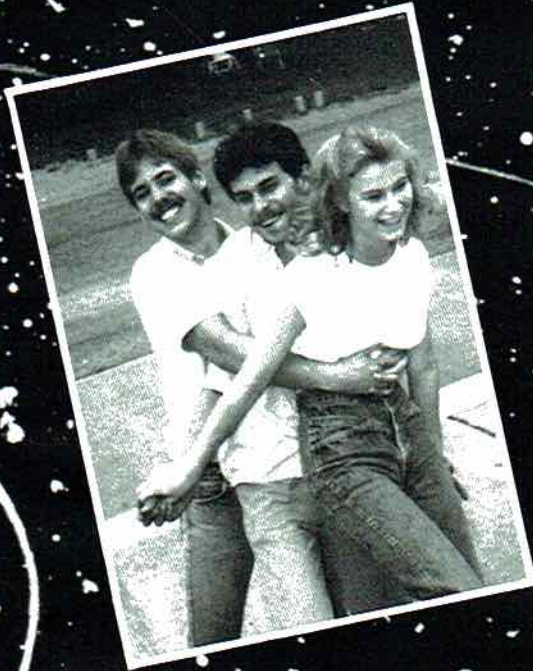
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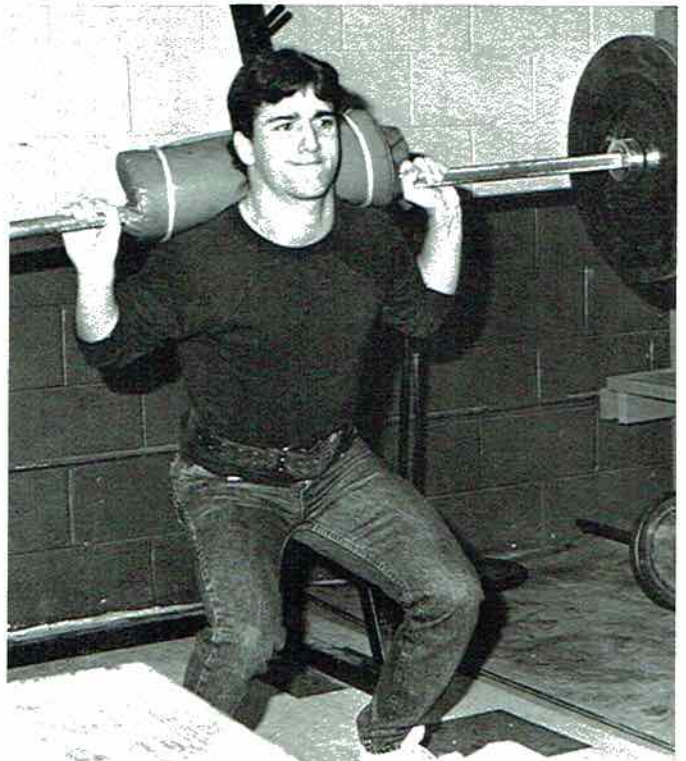
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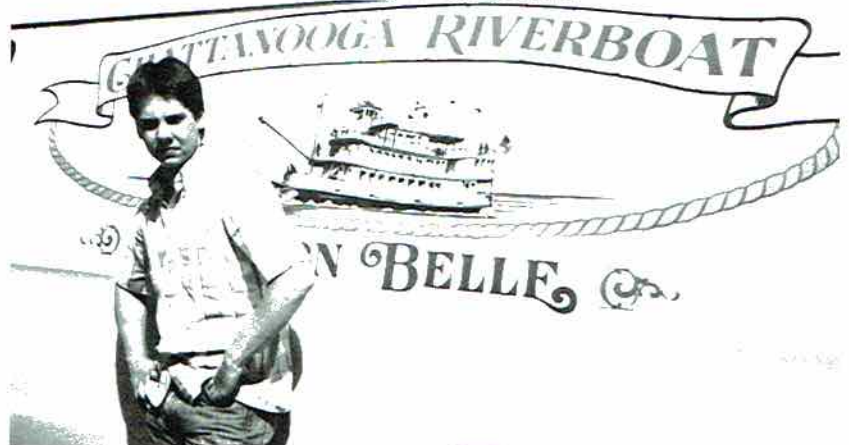
"Larry, is it too heavy?"



Stephanie Lamber certainly seems intense.



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These girls are ready to graduate.



"C'mon, man, hurry up," thinks Kenny Olinger.



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"Kelli, would you look at that!" whispers Alicia Whitcher.



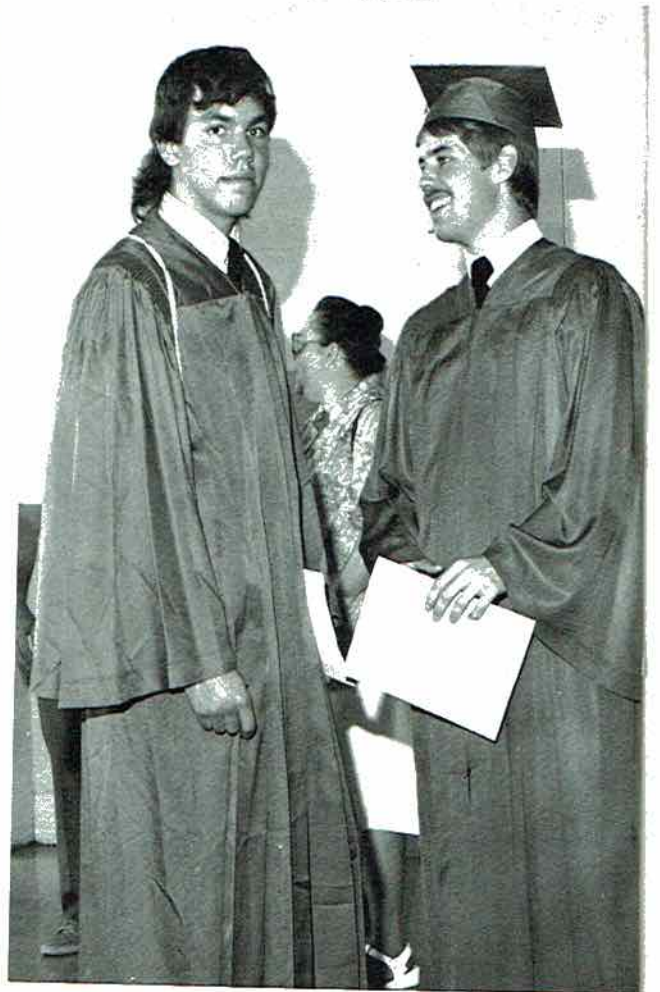
Student-faculty relations.



Greg and Susie are having a heavy talk.



"How could this have happened today?!"



Mark doesn't seem to think the joke was funny.

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