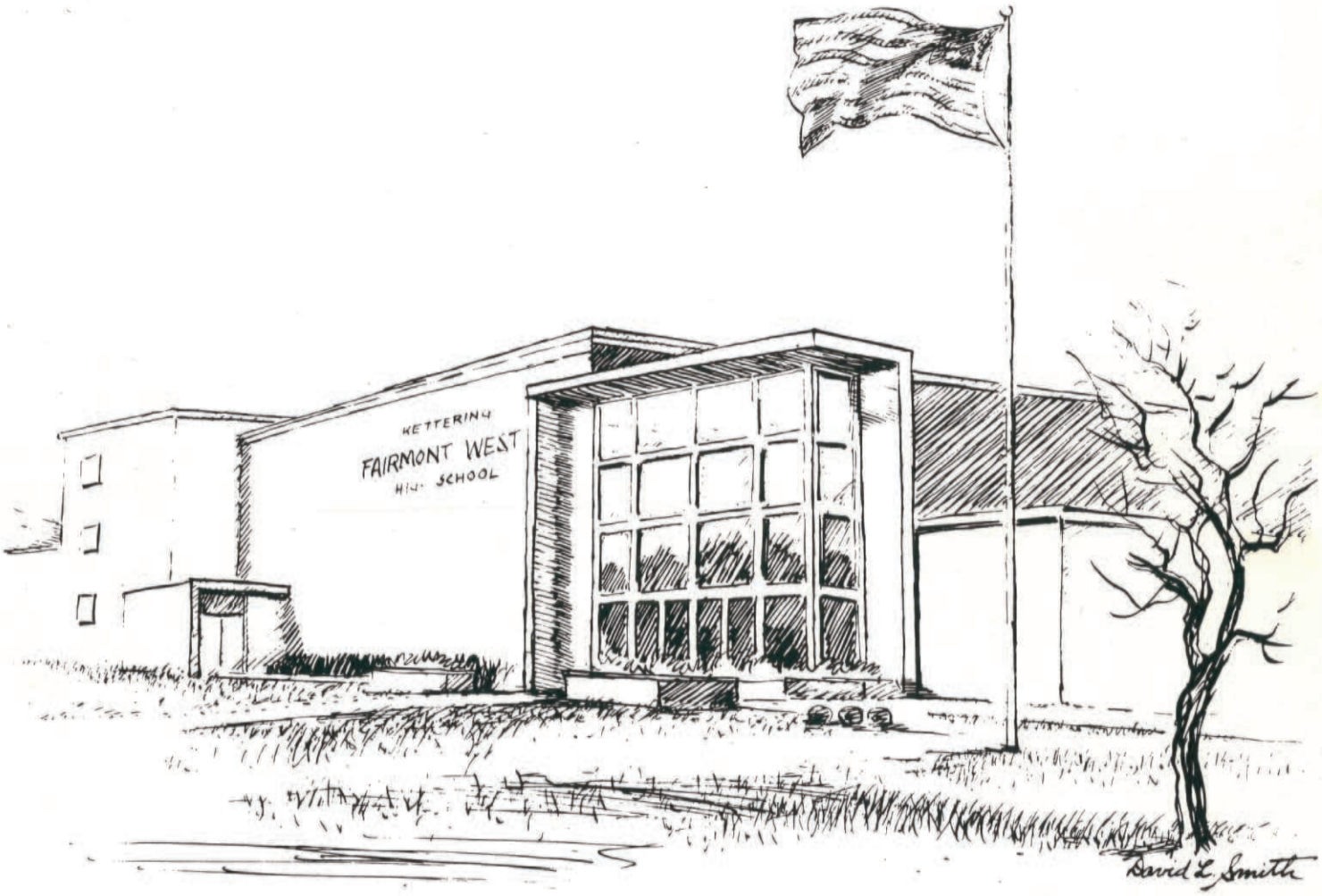
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Taking a break from class, Tina Brown and Carolyn Lockhart enjoy talking about the day's activities over lunch.



JCOWA Foreign Bazaar gives Principal John Stuckey and Ron Dopf a chance to learn about different countries.





During a hockey game against Princeton, Shari Dearing, Ann Britt, Jane Davidson and Holly Chandler try to score.

Displaying a bell at the JCOWA Bazaar, Peggy Hughes answers questions about her booth representing Switzerland.

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Trying to promote spirit at a pep assembly, seniors show the underclassmen their enthusiasm in the cheer "senior rah!"

Innovations at West bring about changes in studies, people

Each year when school opens, students expect to see and feel a change. We wonder about the changes in friends and teachers and we feel the difference in ourselves. Arriving at West we saw a change in the rooms, activities and sports. We also saw an evident change in the people.

For the first few weeks talk in the halls concerned the new people. We talked of . . . . . .

John Stuckey our new principal and wondered what his new rules would be. . .

The sophomores and how we could show them who's boss. .

Five teachers who all took new positions as head coaches and would they lead West on to victory. . .

New faculty members and students we saw. . .

No one could miss the new things on campus. Everyone saw them and we all saw them differently.

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Marchers add unit, gain choreographer creating new look

We saw a change not only in the faces, but in the activities in which we participated. We watched the groups and teams at West change and become better. Facing the changes with interest, we watched and cheered them.

Performing at the football games, we watched the newly formed Flag and Rifle Corps. Terri Manning became the Rhythmettes new choreographer. The Rhythies also took on a new dance style.

Some of our sports teams faced new competition. With all our new coaches to help, we took on the teams in a positive attitude.

Again we saw the change. It was the kind of change that gave us, the people at West, a feeling of pride to be a part of that change.



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Before the Springfield South game, the band and cheerleaders wait for the football team to run through the sign.

New head basketball coach Bruce Hobbs calls time during the Alter game at UD arena.





tanding at the sidelines cheering on his eam, Coach Lowell Vorpe anticipates a ictory over Springfield South.

Participating in half-time activities at the East game, the newly formed Rifle Corps demonstrates its Dragon pride.

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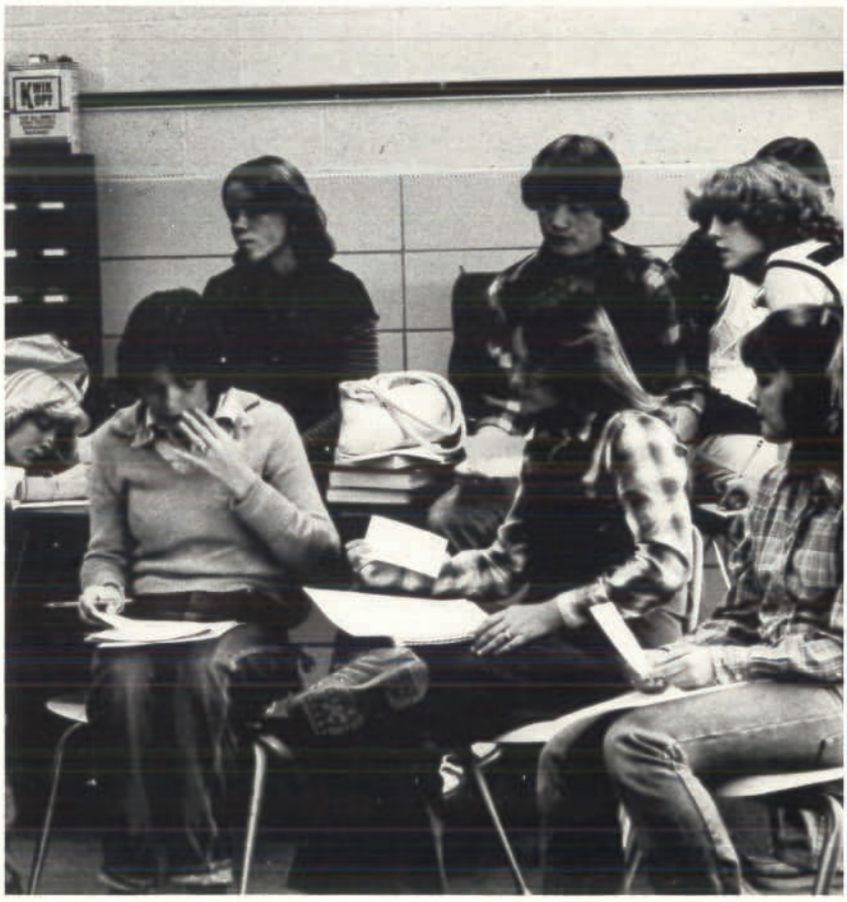
While explaining the silver recovery proce to Dan Osman, Tom Finch demonstrat the photography department's project.

Students in Erma Maloon's fifth period We ern literature class spend free time studyi the basic structure of an essay.





Mr. Edwards, portrayed by Greg Horwedel, speaks to Mr. Abbot, played by John regan, about Mrs. Abbot's illness.



During a fifth period Student Council meeting, Council members discuss plans for improving their new student activities room.

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Activities director brings cohesiveness to West associations

Other little changes also appered around school. James Larson became student activities coordinator and received room 214 for a student activities center.

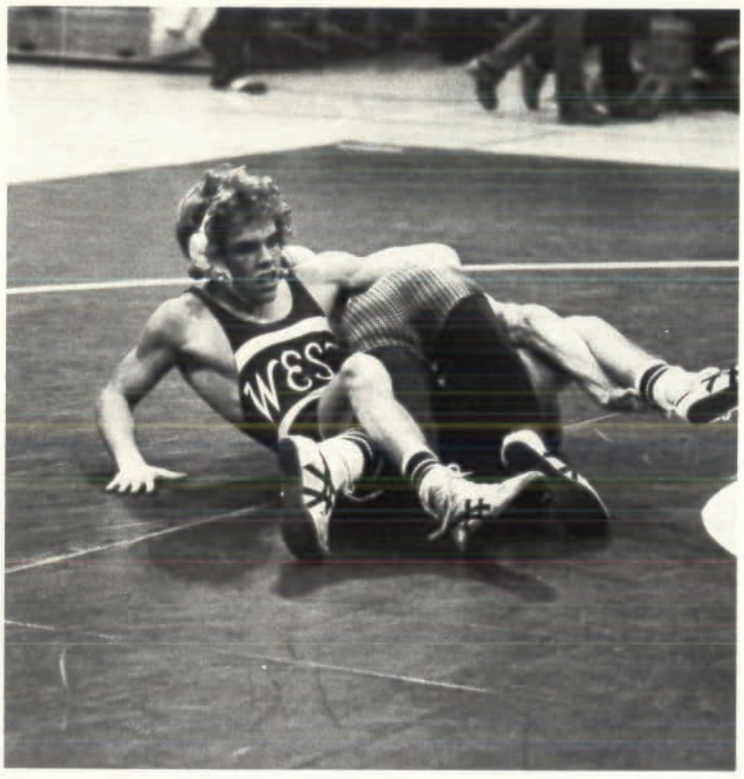
New machinery in the vocational department showed a change in the photography and secretarial rooms. In other departments, new subjects added to the curriculum.

We experienced an overall change. New subjects, activities, teachers rules and attitudes all became a part of one change. A change that presented itself for the better and a change that happened all at once. Most important, the change affected everybody at West.

This change could not go unnoticed. . . .

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Wrestler Tim Manning tries to reverse his Bellbrook opponent.



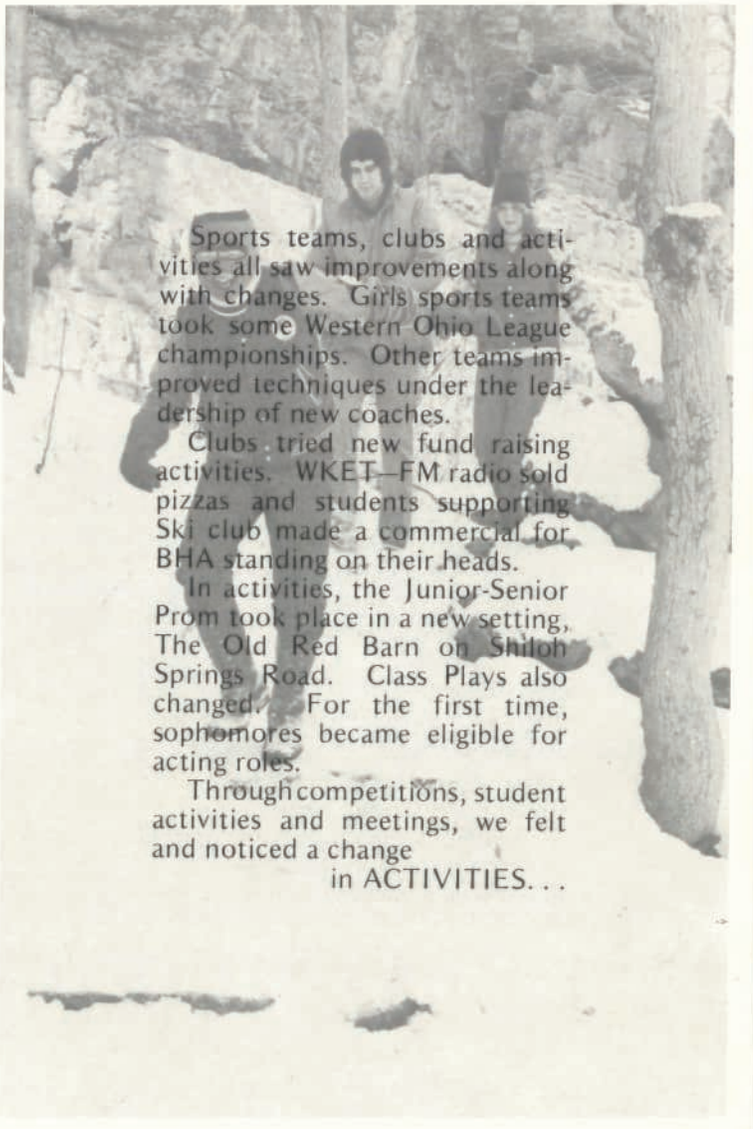


Senior students show spirit in the East-West basketball pep assembly.

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ACTIVITIES



Sports teams, clubs and activities all saw improvements along with changes. Girls sports teams took some Western Ohio League championships. Other teams improved techniques under the leadership of new coaches.

Clubs tried new fund raising activities. WKET—FM radio sold pizzas and students supporting Ski club made a commercial for BHA standing on their heads.

In activities, the Junior-Senior Prom took place in a new setting, The Old Red Barn on Shiloh Springs Road. Class Plays also changed. For the first time, sophomores became eligible for acting roles.

Through competitions, student activities and meetings, we felt and noticed a change in ACTIVITIES. . .

Charles Kuhnwald, Dan DeAngelo and Peg Joyner tread through snow in Backpacking club's day hike at John Bryant State Park.

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Students plan, parade, perform

Enthusiastic, involved and interested—all described students and faculty of Fairmont West. The Labor Day Parade, homecoming, student council retreat and Summer Youth Theatre Company (SYTCO) represented just a few of the activities in which Westonians participated.

Representing Fairmont West for SYTCO, Monica Ryan, Amy Diederich, Craig Smith, Greg Horwedel and Jane Kleinmann spent the summer rehearsing. SYTCO performed children's shows throughout the Miami Valley.

Once again, students and faculty participated in the Holiday at Home parade. Marching Dragons, cheerleaders and student council prepared routines and a float for the 1.4 mile parade down Stroop Raod.

Homecoming brought students together as West defeated Stebbins in the homecoming football game. Students also gathered Saturday night for the homecoming dance. "It was hard work getting everything organized, but worth it," said Carolyn Lockhart, who served as the chairman for the event.

Group rap sessions, camp fires and camping out involved 71 interested students and faculty members at the student council leadership retreat. Principal John Stuckey stated, "It was the best attended retreat and very worthwhile. The students' conduct was very good for the whole weekend."

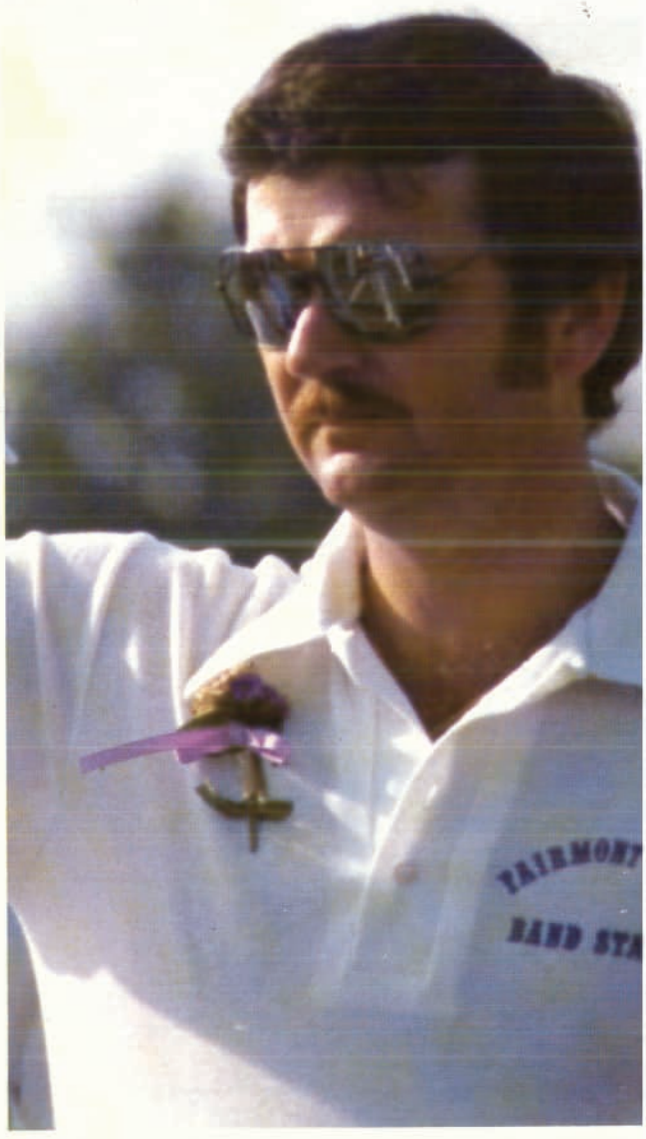


During the Greenville show, SYTCO member Monica Ryan reads the laws of Letterland while Greg Horwedel backs her up.



While at the student council retreat, Sue Gath defends herself from being pushed in the water by Denise Kunka.





Mirrored visions of the band reflected in Director James Kays sunglasses during the Holiday at Home Parade.

Entertaining people along Stroop Road, Dragon Mascot Diana Mickle dances with the cheerleaders in the Labor Day Parade.

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Singled out of the crowd, Sophomore Wendy Peteron listened to Diane Olix speak on the topic of group-decision making.







Before the announcement of king and queen, members of the homecoming court nervously watch the football game.

Newly organized rifle corps members Teresa Kamke, Andrea McQueen and Cindy Carelton twirl their rifles to the music "Fiddler on the Roof" in the Labor Day Parade.

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While at the dance, Dave Hanley and date Susan Janco take a break from dancing in order to enjoy some refreshments.



On the night of the dance, couples search the gym lobby for the witches' hat which has their names decorated on it.





Homecoming candidate Peggy Miller watches the game with her escort Scott Brown.

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Spirit week motivates Dragons



Events during Homecoming week, such as the powderpuff football game, the bonfire and the decorating, inspired the Dragon football team to win the Stebbins game. "The activities went over really well. I think they helped us to get up the spirit to win the game," stated Judy Younkman.

Tuesday, in homeroom, every girl received a football tag to be given to a boy if she talked to him. Tom Britt acquired the most tags and received the title of "Mr. Irresistible." Wednesday, the powderpuff football game took place with the junior girls defeating the seniors, 2–1.

On Thursday, the faculty rolled over the students 36–12 in the bonfire football game. Later, as the bonfire roared, the cheerleaders, band and Rhythies performed. Head coach Lowell Vorpe, as well as Gerry Noe, Chris Hohl and Ken Harper spoke while excitement brewed over the upcoming game.

Friday, Dragon anticipation grew with all of the events. In senior homerooms, voting for king and queen took place. King nominees consisted of Dave Myer, Les Kidd, Gerry Noe, Andy Hawk and Tony Scurlock. Kim Todd, Peggy Miller, Lynda Janning, Penny Gilmore and Judy Younkman made up the queen's court.

At halftime, Bill Stager announced the winners. Tony Scurlock copped the position of king and the students elected Judy Younkman as queen. Chris Batsche presented Judy with roses and the crown. Student Council presented her with a necklace, and Tony received a pocket watch.

After winning the game with Stebbins, students retained high spirits for the dance Saturday night. Kros-Fyre provided the music for the dance with the theme, "Could It Be Magic."

"Students put much work into decorating the gym. We had a lot of unexpected help which we really appreciated," added Carolyn Lockhart. Decorations in the gym included a witches' hat for each couple with their name on it, and a huge crystal ball mural. The entry resembled a star tunnel.

During the week, Student Council sponsored various decorating contests. Each class styled their own unit lobby. The juniors deocrated west, the sophomores took east. Seniors dominated the competition by filling central with the Dragon's purple and white.

Jerry Neff's room took the prize for the best-decorated homeroom. Students from each class formed a spirit chain for their units with links they bought in the cafeteria for two cents each. The seniors hooked the longest chain and won the contest.



t the beginning of halftime activities, udy Younkman anxiously awaits the an- ouncement of Homecoming Queen.



Seniors Rob Koenig, Mike Maynard and Karen Lonaker dance to music by Kros-Fyre.

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Play employs underclass leads



Trying to attract the attention of Henry, the man she loves, Ada (portrayed by Lori Waites) persists despite his indifference.

Projecting a gesture of generosity, Mary Herries, a wealthy old maid, portrayed by Amy Diederich, provided the significance of the title "Kind Lady." Through Mary's extremely vulnerable kind nature, helpless beggars invaded her home and lived off her wealth, selling her objects of value.

Henry Abbot, depicted by John Regan instigated the plot and carried it through to the point of entirely stifling Mary. Mr. Foster, a banker portrayed by Craig Smith, recognized Mary's dilemma. Soon, the evil endeavors ceased, so that Mary once again gained control over her life.

Other characters, Kim Conner, Marcia Reinhard and Greg Horwedel, contributed their efforts in portraying the imposing Edwards family. Monica Ryan played Mary's friend, Lucy Weston. Jeff Smith, Beth Graham, Diane Humphreys, Greg Kurtz and Pete Gibbs also acted in the play.

Student director Amy Beitzel took charge of staging characters, lighting, makeup, costumes and cue placement. Becky Bayless assted by handling the musical and staging details. Joseph Kuldau conducted his duties as overall director by placing emphasis on every aspect of the performance.

Sophomore John Regan expressed his experience as the main character, "My part as Henry Abbot was my ultimate desire for a character. Even though he was vindictive and sinister, he possessed an element of charm."

"This particular play gave me a new awareness and insight of people, maybe because it is a drama and there is so much tension—by the end you are drained from the strong interplay of emotions," added Amy Diederich.

One innovation produced a particular challenge for those trying out for the fall production. Any student could attempt to fit the part of any character instead of a certain class having priority over the others. This change provided a chance for underclassmen to get leading roles.





Pete Gibbs, as the artist Rosenburg, disbelieves Mary's written effort to describe her situation as he presents Abbot her note.

Beth Graham, as the maid, attempts to restore consciousness to Henry's accomplice Ada after a fainting spell.

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John Regan, posing as Henry Abbot, completes an income tax statement as the banker, Craig Smith, observes.







Ada, the schizophrenic intruder, wanders around, enjoying her newly gained riches.

Enacted by Amy Diederich Mary sharply criticizes her home's invaders despite Mrs. Edward's (Marcia Reinhard) rebuttal.

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Sweat and heat seems a part of running as Supervisor Frank Spolrich conquers the 13 miles of the Dayton River Corridor run.





Neither rain nor snow keep Craig Miller from his job of pumping gas at Sohio.

"Thank you and come again," says Pam Blain as she hands a hungry customer his food from the drive-thru window at Wendy's restaurant on South Dixie.



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Free time permits jobs, leisure



Working, eating, practicing and watching television comprised just a few things students did during spare time. Although school took up a major part of the day, students found free time to pursue their interests.

Part-time jobs seemed most prominant among students. Work ranged from serving food to pumping gas for minimum wage of $2.90 an hour. Some students worked to earn money towards college while others worked to have spending money.

New interests of both students and faculty included running and cross country skiing. Central Unit Supervisor Frank Spolrich ran in twelve races such as The Dayton River Corridor run and The Glass City Marathon. "Running is something I enjoy and it is a good way to keep fit," said Mr. Spolrich.

With all the activities offered, students also spent free time at school. Sports and organizations spent hours in meetings, finishing undone work or practicing for the big game ahead.

Weekends brought a chance for friends to gather and talk about the previous week's activities. "There's usually a party or something going on where everyone can meet," commented Senior Patrick Moultney.

Favorite pasttimes popular with all students included watching TV and eating. Almost everyone managed to fit in a few television programs while munching on burgers, tacos, pizza or chicken. Kathy Broad stated, "When I'm not playing tennis, I like to lay around and watch my favorite television show, 'Family'."

With the days activities over, Dave Dickerson and John Stanford relax in a game of cards at the Math retreat.

Senior Phil Ulrich still believes in the manual way of shoveling snow to earn money.







Attending a basketball game against alter, John Jeffries, Jim Miles Erick Frick, and George Janco spend part of a Friday night at the University of Dayton Arena.

Popcorn and 7-UP add to the enjoyment of Senior Pat Moultney's free time as he views a segment of M*A*S*H on TV.

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'Harvey' does disappearing act

Junior class presented "Harvey" as ts winter play. Tryouts began Decem- ber 11-15 allowing for 12 cast and 16 pookas. Pookas represented maginary people created as friends or companions in someone's mind. Pooka Beth Cimprich said "It was an experience to remember." Joseph Kuldau directed with the help of Dave ohnson and his stagecraft class who nade the props and set design.

Central Staff gave a helping hand rom costumes to co-cordination of taging. Co-ordinator of costumes, Bridget Federspiel said "Cast mem- ers gave a lot of ideas as to what ostumes to use. It was fun to do." Technical co-ordinator and staging, Becky Bayless said, "It was quite a it of hard work but worth it."

Veta Louise Simmons played by amy Diederich committed Elwood P. Dowd; Greg Kurtz, to a sanitarium because he thinks he sees a 6-foot white rabbit. In scene two Veta mistakenly got committed to the sanitarium. Elwood returned to the Dowd mansion and put a picture of the rabbit, Harvey, on the mantle.

Then he left with Harvey to have carrot juice. Veta found out that he's at "Charley's." Dr. Chumley went out to find him. In scene five they all returned to the sanitarium. Harvey walked in and Veta realized that he wasn't a figment of Elwood's imagination. She decided not to commit him to the sanitarium afterall.

Greg Horwedel commented, "Since I'm a senior this is my last play and I'm glad I did it. I made a lot of friends and had a lot of fun; I know that I'll always remember the good times. Many thanks to Mr. Kuldau, our director, he helped us a lot and without him we couldn't have done it."

With a look of exlamation Elwood Dowd (Greg Kurtz) shouts for Myrtle Mae (portrayed by Liz Zajovits).

During the many rehearsals pookas practice their dance routines.







Dismayed, Myrtle Mae and Judge Gaffney (Bruce Bohachek) listen to Veta (Amy Diederich) tell about her institutionalization.

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Concerned for Elwood, Veta Louise trys to comfort Myrtle Mae in scene one.

Accepting a social engagement, Veta Louise Simmons looks prim and proper.





While Prof. Von Drakenstein (Amy Beitzel) explains about pookas as Marilyn Dryden learns what she should do.

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Trent Devoe, portraying Charley, expresses his sincerity in a song of love to Amy Spettigue, played by Amy Beitzel.





Beth Moore puts on her makeup before portraying her role in "Where's Charley."

Dressed as Charley's aunt, Trent unhappily describes his situation to his roommate Jack.

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Masquerade scores as musical

During a gossip session, Jane Kleinmann tells the group the latest scoop.





Tryouts for the spring musical "Where's Charley" began at the end of the exam week. Auditions for the 7 principal and 4 minor parts numbered 31 students. Highlights for the 1979 musical included a fine cast, a professional choreographer, dancers, and a hard-working stage crew.

Michael Licata, a former student staged and choreographed most of the show, with the help of Gene Seeberger, Donald Deitrick, and student assistant Amy Beitzel, Peggy Shannon, and Kim Blackburn. Michael felt the show was a huge sucess.

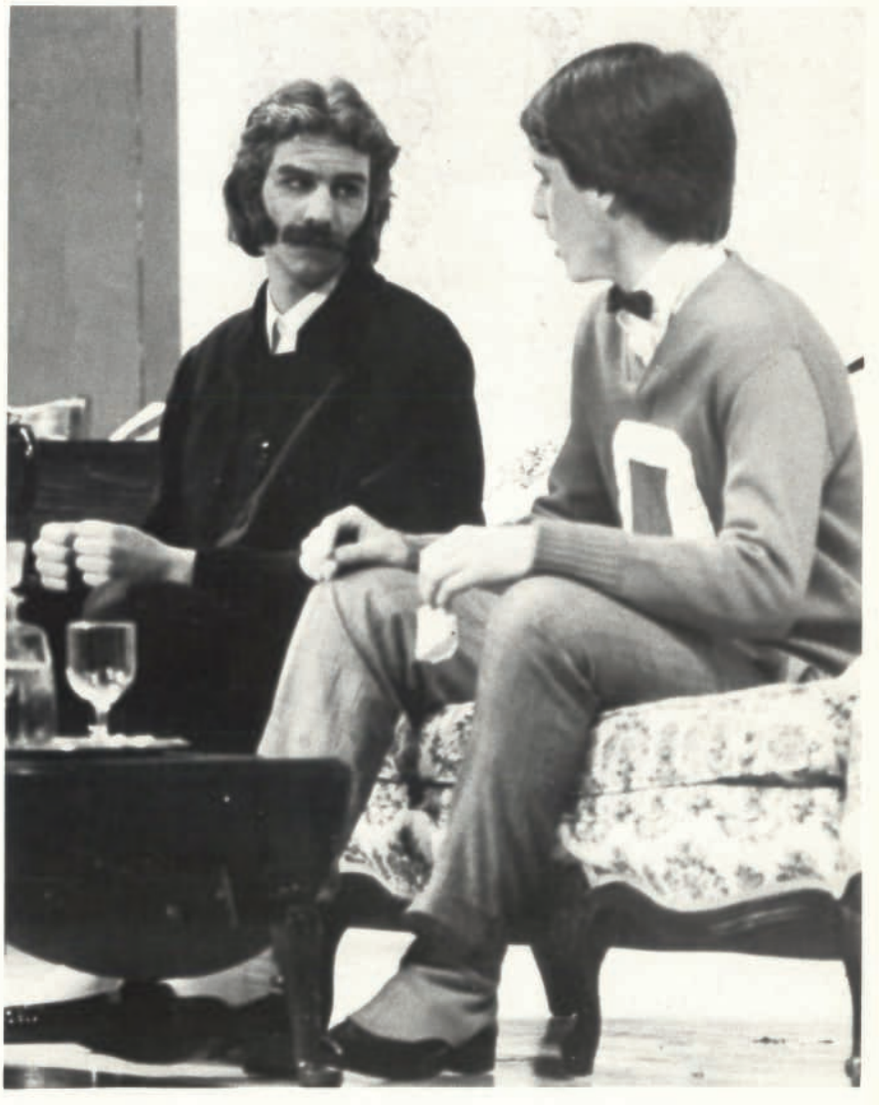
Frank Loesser's "Where's Charley" takes place in the late 1800's at a university in England. Two young men, Charley Wykeham and Jack Chesney, in love with Amy Spettique and Kitty Verdun, invite the ladies for lunch to meet Charley's wealthy aunt from Brazil.

Jack and Charley find out that Charley's aunt will unfortunately be delayed for a few days. Not wanting to lose any time, Charley dresses up as his aunt to play chaperone, but to their dismay Amy's uncle, Mr. Spettique falls in love with Charley and proposes to him.

Trent DeVoe portrayed the title role of Charley. Paul Wharton and Mike Flannary shared the role of Jack. Amy Beitzel played Amy and Martha Taylor as Kitty. Bruce Bohachek played Mr. Spettique.

Senior Nanette Heib undertook the character of Donna Lucia. Tedd Miller played the character of Brassett, the butler, and Terry Bockhorn as Sir Francis Chesney. Marsha Cartwright portrayed the role of Patricia. Jim Lehman played Reggie and John Schneider as Wilkinson.

Senior Jon Boison commented, "At first I auditioned for a gymnist part, then I got to dance a little. But because of an injury, I danced a lead role. I really enjoyed being involved."



Bruce Bohachek exclaims his feelings for the aunt from Brazil and her money.

Listening to Paul Wharton, Terry Bockhorn considers the reasons why he should not propose to Charley Wykeham's aunt.

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Student actions aid community

By involving themselves in the community, students at Fairmont West provided services that aided and entertained the surrounding area. Whether working with the government or being a candy striper at the hospital, students got involved and became better acquainted with their environment.

Youth Commission, an advisery body to the mayor and city council on problems facing the youth, helped solve many porblems in the community. Projects such as Rent-a-Kid, information cards and cable TV shows included just a few successful ideas from the Youth Commission Board.

Junior achievement reached out to the area by using their own talent to create items to sell. Projects included T-shirts, candlelabras and ceramics. The group had the sponsorship of DESC. JA adviser Patricia Reilly stated, "The students and I thoroughly enjoyed JA."

Voluntary help for Kettering Hospital as Candy Stripers gave students a chance to cater to patients. They got reading material for patients and took them beverages or wheeled them to the sun deck or lounges.

Working for the Kettering Parks and Recreation served as another way students could offer their help. After working as a lifeguard for the Parks and Recreation division, Becky Berens commented, "I like guarding, but my favorite thing is teaching competitive and beginner swimming lessons."

Acting a sister city to Steyr, Austria, Kettering played host to visitors from that area in August. Kettering families entertained the Austrian teenagers just as the people in Steyr had a year ago. Adults from that area also visited during Holiday-at-Home.



Senior Becky Berens attentively watches swimmers as she guards at the Kettering Recreation Center.



While collecting for the heart fund, Karen Kiser receives donations from her neighbors.



Youth Commission Board member Wendy MacDonald expresses her opinion on youth problems during an April meeting.

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Coordination and skill aid Junior Cheryl VanOss as she paints easter ceramics for Junior Achievement.







During a tea at the Government Center, Sister City members meet their Austrian guests.

Preparing to make an evening round, Jane Meyer pours refreshments for the patients at Kettering Hospital.

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'We've got tonight' lends theme

Taking a break during the dancing proves humorous to dates Craig Smith and Lori Waite at their table during prom.



Junior-Senior prom took place at a brand new location, The Old Red Barn on Shiloh Springs Road. Decorations such as blue and silver moons and stars, along with colorful night murals on the walls, portrayed the theme entitled,"We've Got Tonight."

Vivan Von-Gruenigan and Joseph Nealon served as heads of the Prom committee. They chose the band and organized other students to help with decorating and cleaning up after the dance had ended.

"Hot Ice," a local rock group, played a mixture of both slow and fast songs throughout the evening. Vivian commented, "We started early to look for a band, because we knew it would be hard to find a band once prom season began."

Shortly before prom, Russell's, Herle's, Gingiss, and Price Stores brought their formal attire to the Student Council office for students who wanted to shop at school for their tuxedos. Some West's students wore tuxedos during school to incite student interest for the Prom.

Students cast their final votes the Friday before the dance for Prom king and queen. Seniors Andy Hawk and Lisa Melia reigned as king and queen over the dance. Other members on the court included Kim Todd. Lynda Janning, Peggy Miller, Judy Younkman, Lee Zimmerman, Tony Scurlock, Robb Bolar and Gerry Noe.

Senior class president, Chip Grabeman, commented, "The whole night went really great. The band was really good, and the juniors did a great job with everything. I know everyone really enjoyed the night."

For the first time in many years a school-sponsored after-prom took place from 1:30 to 4:30 a.m. for interested students. After-prom took place at the Kettering recreation center on Glengarry drive in east Kettering. Students could swim, play pool and foosball for three dollars per couple.

Seniors Dan Brownfield and Tony Scurlock took charge of distributing tickets and finding chaperones for the event. Dan Commented, "We didn't have after-prom to make any money. We did it because we knew a lot of couples wouldn't be able to find anything to do afterwards . This was a way to have fun after prom."



Preparing for a crowd between dances a volunteer fills glasses with punch at the refreshment table at the dance.



"We've Got Tonight" proves realistic for Jane Davidson and Tom Hughes during prom.

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Students receive honors, awards

As the 1978–79 school year came to a close, many outstanding students received various awards and scholarships recognizing their talents. Students received these awards during assemblies and banquets.

On May 15, Fairmont West's Parent Teacher Association held the annual Dragon Bell Awards assembly. Sixty-five students received Dragon Bells, recognizing their academic abilities and achievements.

National Merit Finalists Bob Bahner, Jane Davidson, Peter Gibbs, Jane Neff, Barbara Price, Jo Lynn Ross, William Ruh and Tim Swabb received awards for their accomplishments. The Math Actuarial Team consisting of Robert Phelps, John Swartzel, and Scott Weiss also won awards for their high scores.

Robin Barnett, Ronald Dopf, Jane Neff, William Ruh and Tony Scurlock received awards for being the only seniors finishing with a 4.0 average. The highest ranking juniors earning awards included Lexie DeVries, Keelan Hagan, Pam Harris, Joe Kunkel, Carl Lloyd and Dan Schmitz.

Student Congress president, Becky Berens, received an award for her excellent leadership. Terry Reigelsperger won an award for placing second in the state FBLA Conference in Shorthand I. Jenny Reed placed second in state competition competing in Office Procedures.

Two honors went to speech students who ranked high in state competition. Senior Greg Kurtz placed sixth in Original Oratory, while Diane Humphreys finished with a fifth place in Humorous Interpretation.

Parent Teacher Association also gave out special scholarships. Recipients included Robin Barnett with the D.L. Barnes Memorial Scholarship, Julie Riley earned the 2-year associate degree from the Kettering Council, and the 4-year scholarship from the Kettering Council went to both Donna Boen and Jim Wilson.

Quill and Scroll induction included students who contributed to the production of the school yearbook or newspaper, and finished in the upper third of their class. First-year newspaper staff members receiving the award consisted of Bridget Federspiel and senior Roxanne Geary.

Six students acknowledged with Quill and Scroll awards because of their contribution to the **Dragon** included Lisa Melia, Penny Gilmore, Gretchen Geyer, Patty Beavers, Sharon Theiman and Sharon Patterson.

National honor society installed 59 seniors at a formal ceremony May 17. To receive membership, students obtained a 3.5 grade point average accumulated over the years and showed good character, service and leadership.

Barb Price received a scholarship totalling $2700 per year to Case-Western Reserve University. Along with receiving $500 as a National Merit Finalist, Bill Ruh obtained a $20,000 Vanderbilt School of Engineering Honor Scholarship.

Sinclair Community College awarded Jim Pohl $200 for finishing first place in an Engineering and Design contest. Another winner of the National Merit Scholarship, Jane Neff, received $500 per year at Purdue.

Kettering Classroom Teachers Association awarded Leslie Grillot and Nanette Hieb with their $750 scholarship. A scholar athlete banquet honored several students who competed on an interscholastic sport and maintained a 3.0. Kathy Watern received the first girl athlete award .

Three seniors earned special awards for their achievements. Tony Scurlock received the Charles Finley award, the Mary Elizabeth Jones award went to Greg Kurtz, and Jane Davidson won both the David Rayburn citizenship award and the La Sertoma Award.

Holland House hosted the annual journalism banquet. Judy Logan presented the seniors with key chains, while two year members and editors received desk sets and stick pins. Senior members also exchanged gag gifts among themselves.

During the National Honor Society installation, Jane Davidson delivers a few words.





Gretchen Geyer and Patty Beavers repeat the oath during initiation into Quill and Scroll.



Jane Davidson, Kathy Watern, Tony Scurlock and Greg Kurtz receive awards for their special achievements at West during an assembly for seniors held in May.

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RAGON adviser Judy Logan congratulates
urnalists at the Quill and Scroll ceremony.





After the initiation, senior Lisa Melia accepts her Quill and Scroll membership pin.



Principal John Stuckey congratulates Jo Lynn Ross as she receives a Dragon Bell.

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Following the Baccalaureate service, graduates congratulate fellow classmates.





After presentation of board members, seniors file forward to receive diplomas as their names are called.



Singing their original song, "The Separating Pain," Trent DeVoe and Marsha Cartwright perform at Commencement.

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Seniors accept final recognition



Graduates wait for everyone to march in before they take their seats.

Taking part in the last activity of the year, the 1979 graduating class attended both Baccalaureate service and Commencement. For the first time at Commencement John W. Stuckey, principal, presented the class of 1979. The Baccalaureate took place at Memorial Hall, June 3, 1979 at 4:30 p.m.

After the processional Victor Grabeman, senior class president gave the Invocation. Reverned Dale Kurtz from Patterson Park Church presided over the service. Following a hymn he read from scripture and gave a prayer.

Before the sermon the mixed choir sang "Every Valley." Reverend Kurtz entitled his sermon "Formula for Maximum Living." He also pronounced the Benediction which ended the service.

Commencement exercises occured on June 5, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. at the University of Dayton Arena. The orchestra played as the graduates proceeded into the arena. After the "Star Spangled Banner" Kim Conner gave the Invocation.

Next Amy Beitzel made her performance by singing "One World." Diane Humphreys followed with a speech entitled "Enduring Wisdom." On the piano Cynthia Bowden performed a solo called "Prelude from Pour le Piano." Donna Boen talked on the topic "So Much To Learn."

Nanette Hieb presented "Praise the Lord, He Never Changes" as her vocal solo. After Greg Horwedel's speech Marsha Cartwright and Trent DeVoe did a duet with Jim Rogers accompanying on the piano. Marsha wrote the lyrics for "The Separating Pain," Jim composed the music and Trent arranged it for them.

Following the duet Greg Kurtz gave his speech "They're Looking To Us." After all these performances John Stuckey presented the class of 1979. President of the board of education, Donna Moon, accepted the class and then along with Darrell Carter presented diplomas.

To complete the ceremony seniors sang the Alma Mater. Jeffrey Smith gave the Convocation. Following the recessional played by the orchestra, graduates received congratulations and good wishes from family and friends as they shed a few farewell tears.



Escorted by juniors Vivian VonGruenigen and Joe Nealon, graduating chorus members process to the Baccalaureate services.



After receiving her diploma, Vera Stephens returns to her seat for the remainder of the graduation ceremony.



Typical of graduation scenes, a parent poses his child and friend for a family shot.

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World sees three Popes in 90 days

During the summer of 1978 most of the headlines in area papers dealt with foreign news. In July, Soviet dissident Anatoli Scharansky's trial ended in a 13-year sentence for treason.

August's news centered on the deaths of Pope Paul VI who died August 6 and Jomo Kenyatta, Kenya's only leader since declaring independence in 1963. Speculation regarding each one's successor captured news topics for the remainder of the month.

On the opening day of the conclave, Roman Catholic cardinals chose the patriarch of Venice. He took the name John Paul, the first double name and first new name in a millennium. He had honored both the preceding popes in so doing.

On September 28 the world awoke to what they believed a re-run of August news. For after a brief reign of 34 days, John Paul had succumbed to a massive stroke. In October the cardinals again assembled to choose a pope. On the eighth ballot and second day of the conclave, the Roman churchmen shocked the world by choosing a non-Italian as the 264th pontiff. They had elected Karol Wojtyla, the Polish cardinal from Warsaw, who took the name John Paul II.

Culminating years of experiments, British doctors delivered the first test-tube baby. On July 25 Louise Brown became the first baby conceived outside the womb. Due to the mother's inability to conceive naturally, doctors fertilized the ovum in a laboratory and after the fetus had developed, they then implanted the baby to develop during a natural pregnancy.

Focusng on Camp David in Maryland's Cotoctin Mountains, newsmen awaited the outcome of a summit meeting between Israel's Menachim Begin and Egypt's Anwar Sadat. President Jimmy Carter acted as mediator for the conference which arrived at the basics of a final peace accord between the two countries. These peace initiatives earned Nobel Peace Prizes for Begin and Sadat. During March 9–13, Carter made a shuttle trip to the Mid-East to iron out last-minute problems. The efforts culminated in a signing in Washington D.C. March 26, 1979. This affair celebrated under a tent on the White House lawn included some 1,600 guest and 5,000 spectators.

Iran held the world in a tight grip. In September a devastating earthquake shook the town of Tabas killing 15,000 of its 17,000 inhabitants and another 10,000 in surrounding territories. The country felt shock waves of another kind as strikes closed the flow of oil. The nation's one great export stopped as demonstration after demonstration demanded the Shah abdicate. During the 29-day Moslem morning period, the violent dmonstrations intensified and bloodshed grew throughout Iran.

Finally in January of 1979, the people got what they wanted as the Shah left on January 16 for an extended vacation, knowing full well that he would go into exile. Before leaving, he appointed Shapour Baktiar as Prime Minister to form a civilian government. Baktiar seemed too much a figurehead for the Shah to satisfy many for very long.

Criticism of the Shah's government had come from the exiled Ayatollah Khomeini, leader of Iran's Moslem people. He returned to Iran within days of Shah Reza Pahlevi's departure and appointed Mehdi Bazargan as the provisional Prime Minister. Trying to bring order to the chaos, Bazargan strenuously objected to the summary trials and reprisal execution of generals and other officials who had served the Shah.

Other countries claimed their share of news as South Africa's Prime Minister John Vorster suddenly resigned in September. Uganda's Idi Amin fell from power as rebellious forces aided by guerillas from neighboring nations forced evatuation of Kampala. Amin fled in retreat. Continued rumors about Leonid Brezhnev's ill health seemed to contribute to the stalled strategic arms limitation treaty (SALT) talks between the Soviets and the United States. In October former Soviet president Anistas Mikoyan died and in December the world noted the passing of Golda Meir who had served as Israel's Premier from 1969–73. Educated in the United States and having lived here for some time, she seemed to have as many ties here as American Jewish leaders also paid tribute to Mrs. Meir.

Then in April the Pakistani government put to death a former Prime Minster. Fearing reprisal, Ali Bhutto's execution took place at 2 a.m. and his body buried in the family plot before morning. In February American ambassador Adolph Dubs died while being held hostage by a group in opposition to the pro-Soviet government. When the militia stormed the hotel where they held Dubs prisoner, a battle ensued and Dubs died in the seige. Algeria's President Houari Boumedienne died of a kidney disease in December.



Further strengthening the renewed ties with China, Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-p'ing visited the United States in January. "Time" magazine hailed him as their man-of-the-year. More cultural exchanges took place between the two countries. China drew some sharp world-wide criticism, however, when they invaded Viet Nam in support of their ally Cambodia. When Vietnamese forces began to withdraw from Cambodia, the Chinese did likewise. On their homefront, posters began appearing throughout China. The posters pointed out flaws in Mao's teaching and eulogized Chou En-lai.

In Italy a strange disease hit the poverty section of Naples claiming the lives of small children from two-months to two years. The United States sent pediatricians and specilists from the disease control center in Atlanta. The cause seemed to stem from the cold weather and poor living conditions of the inhabitants.

Great Britain suffered through a year of political, economical and physical disasters. It received the worst snowfall in 16 years. A train strike coupled with 6-foot drifts almost paralyzed the country during the fourth week in January. Then for the first time in 55 years, the House of Commons turned out the controlling Labor Party with a no-confidence vote.

This brought about general elections and during a heated campaign, Margaret Thatcher made her pitch to those suffering the adversities of inflation, high taxes and shortages due to strikes. Thus, the May elections gave the nod to a Tory party victory and the first woman Prime Minister.

On the home front, President Carter's peace efforts soon dimmed in the light of rising gas and fuel costs. In his annual state of the union speech he called for a "New Foundation" and asked Congress to approve any SALT agreement that might be proposed. He reinforced his wage guidelines and inflation fighting proposals of the past.

Calling for possible gas deregulation, the President found much resistance in the face of the OPEC nations decision to increase the price of crude by nine percent. Long lines began forming at California gas stations in April and governor Jerry Brown instituted an odd-even day of gas sales on May 9.

Probably the biggest news event of the year throughout the world and particularly the United States involved a little-known religious cult led by Jim Jones. Jones, a native of Richmond, Indiana (only an hour away from Kettering), had led a huge following to make a colony in Georgetown, Guyana. In November California representative Leo Ryan decided to investigate some rumors about Jones' keeping people there against their will. Ryan's party died in an ambush just before departing the Guyana airstrip with a few of the cult members who decided to leave.

Appalled at the horror of such a possibility, the world learned

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in hot water with the women's rights groups over his firing of Bela Abzug as chairman of the women's advisory council. Outgoing Tennessee governor Ray Blanton granted clemancy to 52 felons and released many convicts. Attempting to stall any further parole for pay, judges adminstered the oath of office to newly-elected governor Lamar Alexander three days early.

Two court cases gendered a great deal of media coverage. John and Greta Rideout hit the front pages as she sued her estranged husband for rape.

Clockwise: Demonstrators in Tehran express their displeasure of American support of the Shah as Khomeini's followers march with his picture held high. Sadat and Begin seal peace accord with negotiation with Carter looking on March 26 at the White House. Two former premiers, Golda Meir and David Ben-Gúrion applaud the opening of the Israeli Congress in 1972. Chinese citizens read one of the "Democracy Wall" posters which criticized government leaders and policies in Peking.

at a number of the cult had mmitted suicide. Each day e number grew as searchers und bodies beneath bodies un- the final figure reached 914. ıe unbelievable tale unfolded cult deserters told their stories. local Kettering woman told of longing to the "People's Tem- " in California and the way which Jones used the members spy on each other so they ght believe that he read their ɔughts. Infraction of rules ɔught swift and just punish- nt within the commune.

US planes brought the bodies k to New Jersey for embalm- and possible identification. ne families claimed bodies l took care of burial. Jones' ıily members asked for cre- tion and his ashes spread ng the coastal waters. Authori- shipped hundreds of uni- ıtified bodies to California for narked burial sites through- the state.

November, a disallusioned city-supervisor Dan White t San Francisco's mayor ɔrge Moscone and super- r Harvey Milk, who had suc- ded White. Violent death al- touched California Angel's nan Bostok, shot in Gary, iana, and actor Gig Young ɔ took his own life and that his wife. Entertainer Dan ley refused further medical tment and succumbed to ane- . Cancer also claimed the of Indiana senator Birch h's wife Marbella. She died / days after Carter had recog- d her for her work in the t against cancer. Death also oved America's beloved artist man Rockwell and noted anthropologist Margaret Mead. Circus clown Emmett Kelly, Jack Haley (the 'Oz' Tin Man) and Mary Pickford also died. In June the American hero John Wayne, 72, lost a battle he couldn't win.

On September 25 a Pacific Southwest Airline jet collided with a private plane over San Diego. The crash killed 144. Then on May 25 an American DC-10 crashed at Chicago's O'Hare killing all 274 aboard. This worst airline disaster caused serious thought about the DC-10. The FAA grounded all of them for full inspection in early June.

Another gruesome tale arose in Des Plaines, Illinois. While investigating a missing person, police followed the boy's trail to John Wayne Gacy. He confessed to molesting and killing 32 young men and boys. After excavating his house and dragging the river, lawmen found the remains of 31 victims.

Windng up a six-game Series, the New York Yankees topped the LA Dodgers 4–2. The Pittsburgh Steelers took the Super Bowl in a 35–31 win over the Dallas Cowboys. Triple Crown winner Steve Cauthen went to England after losing 110 straight. Indiana dominated basketball as IU won the NIT and the Sycamores of Indiana State lost only to Michigan in the NCAA finals.

Weather played havoc when Chicago got 20 inches of snow in December, and April tornadoes claimed over 40 lives in Texas. Mississippi, Texas and Iowa had disastrous flooding in May. Parts of the nation saw the last total eclipse of the sun to occur in this century.

Political notes found Carter





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When the jury returned an innocent verdict, the Rideouts reconciled. After a couple months, they separated and divorced. In a trial that dragged on for weeks, actor Lee Marvin and his one-time live-in girlfriend sued each other. She sued for the same rights a wife would on the basis that their six-year relationship constituted a contract as valid as marriage. In the landmark decision, the judge ruled that Miss Marvin's lawyers had not proven their case. However, he awarded Michelle Treolo Marvin $104,000 for rehabilitation.

In New Orleans, a police strike cancelled all major Mardi Gras festivities. Arson fires in New Jersey claimed 40 lives as a series of tenement fires took place in mid-winter. In San Diego a 16-year-old girl who disliked Mondays opened fire on the Cleveland elementary school killing the principal and custodian as well as wounding eight students.

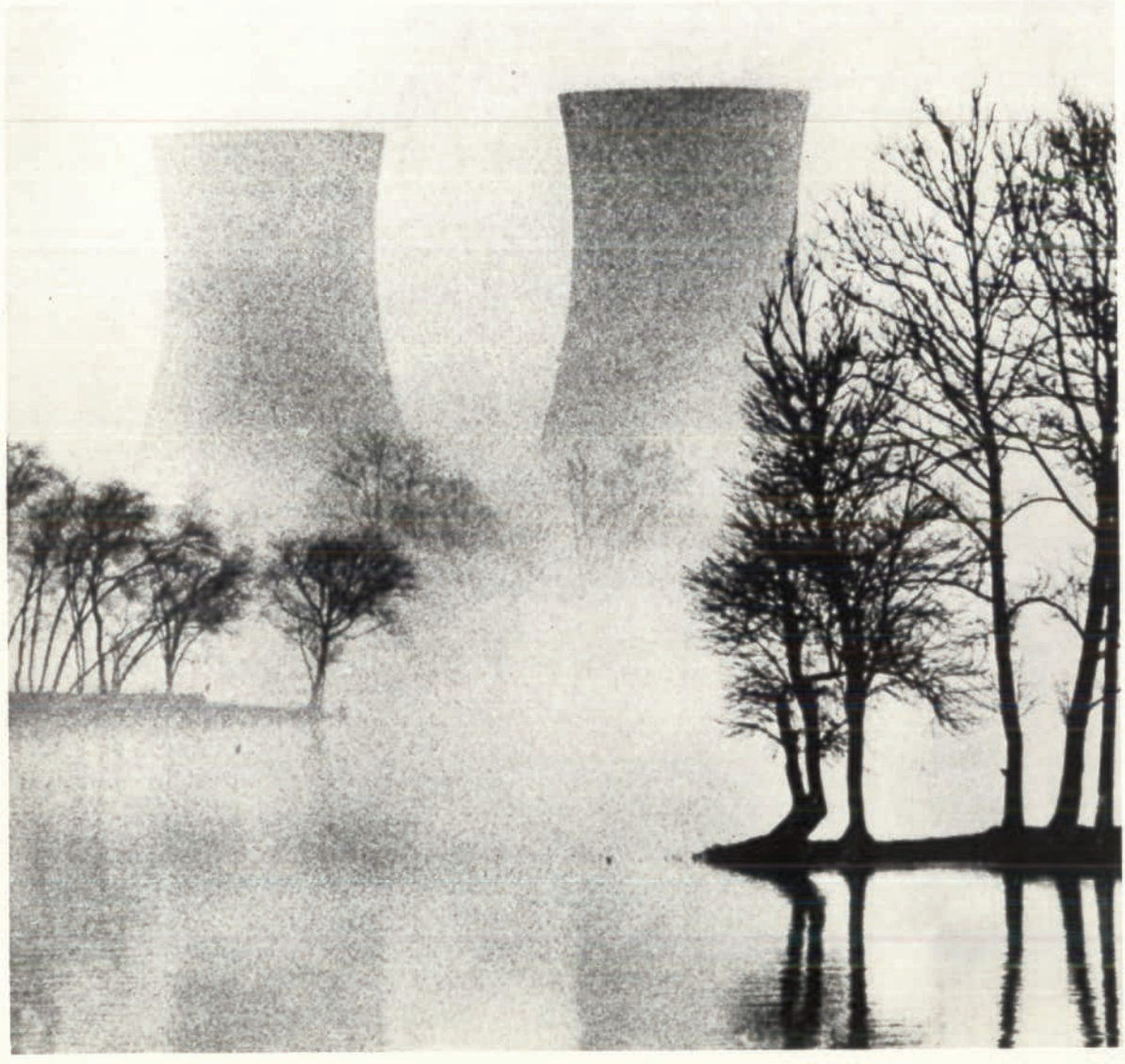
Nuclear power as alternative fueld to the oil problem ran into tough sledding in April. An accident at the Three Mile Island facility in Pennsylvania caused much fear and concern. Evacuation of small children and pregnant women in the area increased the anti-nuclear power forces in their demonstrations. Stemming from the disaster film "The China Syndrome," fears of a meltdown at Three Mile continued from March 30—April 9.

When the Acadamy Awards rolled around in April, the obvious interest in a true picture of Viet Nam became evident as movies presenting another side of the war won awards. Both Joh Voigt and Jane Fonda took the best-acting Oscar for their roles in "Coming Home." The "Dear Hunter" another film on the war walked off with the best-picture prize as well as four awards in other categories.

Students at West as everywhere began speaking a new language, "Na-Noo, Na-Noo," aping the ever-popular top-rated ABC production of "Mork & Mindy." ABC topped the ratings again this year carrying most of the top ten TV shows. Only CBS's "60 Minutes" consistently made the top ten in the competition.

Running and jogging gained more and more enthusiasts. President Carter liked to jog up to 10 miles a day when time and weather permitted. Dayton staged its own running marathon with the Dayton River Corridor Classic. With a 13.1-mile run through Dayton and along the Miami River, 1,980 entrants began the October 16 race, but only 1,605 finished it.

In September the Dayton teachers began a strike. It ran



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Nuclear accident creates terror



r 26 days. Twenty-nine of the achers had to go to jail for vio- ting Judge Carl Kessler's order halt picketing. Teachers might rite an essay to avoid one of ree weekends in jail. In a nal agreement the teachers re- ived an 8.8 pay increase.

Tragedy struck in Miamisburg hen a train derailed, hit a house id killed three occupants.

State and local news headlines ill told of graft and corruption government. A number of errifs came under indictment. Darke County, Arcanum olice chief Charles "Sparky" tzgerald went to prison for aster-minding a bank robbery id participating in a drug ring.

Montgomery County ex- mmissioner Oscar Page plead uilty to tax evasion. The Dem- ratic committee tried to get ewly-elected commissioner E. eorge "Babe" Ferguson to veal the reason for an amended x return. Some believe her late usband Shaw received some of e same money Page did. Eu- ne Gall, a convicted rapist and urderer, went on trial in May r the 1977 murder of Beth nn Mote of Oakwood.

Ohio State's Woody Hayes ve a black eye to sports when hit a Clemson player during e Gator Bowl. OSU officials ed Hayes the next day. Earl uce from Iowa took over as e Buckeye's mentor. Hayes clined to apologize as he said would also have to apologize for all the good years at OSU.

Dayton's city manager James Alloway left to take a job in San Jose, California. Montgomery County sherrif Bernard Keiter lost his battle to cancer and the county recorder Joe Pegg died of cardiac arrest.

In Newark, OH a jury found Thaddeus Lewingdon guilty of the .22-caliber slayings, while a local jury found Dayton policeman Billy King innocent of the killing of Monica Walker.

Alex Haley's "Roots: The Next Generation" pulled a large TV viewing audience in February. Dorian Harewood who played a major role came from Dayton and graduated from Jefferson high school. Jefferson also made the headlines when they won the AA basketball title.

Dayton's fire fighter's union and the city lost a court case stemming from the firefighter's fall strike. Landowners who lost homes during the strike filed and won a suit for $75,000 against the union and city. In Cincinnati the law enforcement officers joined in a united "stress day" in protest against courts and lenient judges who return criminals to the street after short sentences. Four Cincy policemen died in the line of duty between January and May of 1979.

Bob Englehart, the "Dayton Journal Herald" cartoonist, lost a Pulitzer Prize after the Pulitzer central committee overruled the cartoonist jury. He had received the jury's unanimous vote, but the Prize went to the "Washington Post's" Herblock.



Opposite: Expressing compassion and thought, Bob Englehart's drawing of the Pope helped him earn high praise from a Pulitzer jury even though the Prize went to another. **On** a foggy morning, the Three-Mile Island reactors stand silent during the April crisis in Pennsylvania. **Above:** At the start of the marathon, Dayton runners begin a 13.1-mile trek. **Bringing** disaster to a residential section of San Diego, the Pacific Southwest Boeing 727 plunges from the sky.

Kettering's schools found themselves in a financial pinch along with a lot of local employers. Blow One came with the announcement that Frigidaire would sell its name to White Consolidated and close its local production plants. This move affected 8,000 jobs. The loss in real estate and tangible personal property taxes from the move could reach 3/4 of a million for the Kettering schools. In addition, the government announced the closing of the Defense Electronic Supply Company (DESC) depot. This would cost the area an additional 600 jobs.

Thus, the school system began trying to find ways to meet the inflation along with loss of revenue. The declining enrollment of the schools brought about the cut of 43 in personnel. However, it seemed inevitable that the schools would have to turn to the Kettering voters for additional millage in November. Possible losses in state funding could cost the system an additional $2.4 million in operating funds for the 1979–80 year.

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Foreign bazaar builds spirit, aids two clubs

Junior Council on World Affairs started out in October by having a foreign bazaar. Various classes and clubs represented different countries by presenting a variety of foods, dances, and posters. All donations went to UNICEF. During Christmas, the club visited Still Haven nursing home.

JCOWA bought pizza from WKET. President Ron Dopf stated, "Our philosophy is to have clubs work together, and to have a strong interclub council. We want to help other clubs, and to get the students involved."

JCOWA became involved in a quiz bowl in which four people competed against other schools on the current events of 1978. In May, the club ended its year with a picnic, and an award's ceremony.

American Field Service started out with a get-together party at Diana Mickles. West's exchange student, Nikol Damen, from Belgium became acquainted with students and made new friends in AFS.

AFS toured the police station and government building. In January, AFS held an assembly where students from Australia, Brazil, Sweden, Belgium and Indonesia talked about their country and answered questions from the audience. Jim Herbeck and Ann Halpin moderated the program.

In April, AFS members invited area exchange students to spend a week-end with them. AFS raised money by selling orange drinks and lemonade during intermission of the musical. In May, AFS ended the year with a farewell picnic.





Observing activities at the foreign bazaar, Nikol Damen dresses in her native attire.

During the foreign bazaar, Pat Moultney and Carl Olsen enjoy some refreshments.

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During the October bazaar, Jacqueline Kelly, Shari Meixner, and Jeanne Dech observe a display of miniature figures.

Members of AFS discuss and look over plans for upcoming meetings.







While at the foreign bazaar, Mark Wicks, Cheri Downs, and Jeunee Jerman demonstrate a native French dance.

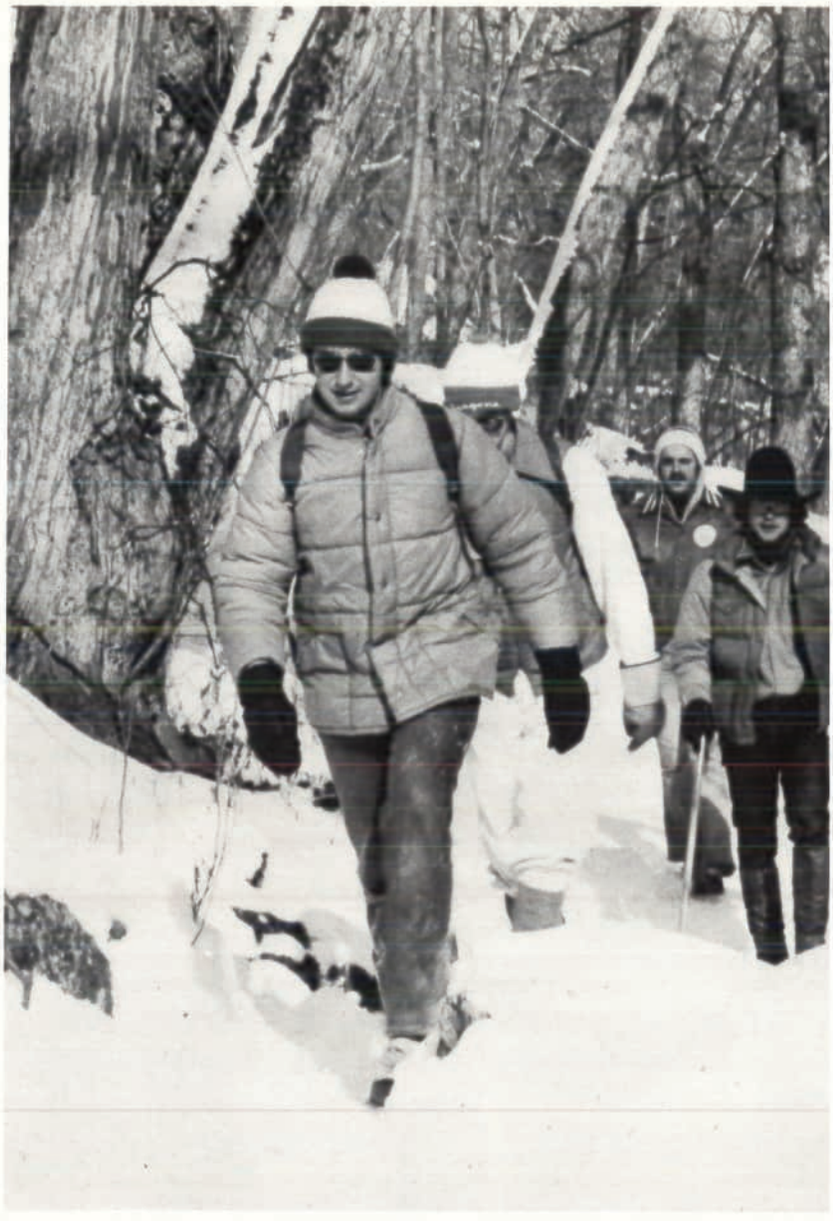
While presiding during an AFS meeting, Jane Leen discusses future plans.

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Mark Bogner, Kent Moore and Jeff King hike through the snow at Shawnee State Forest.

Senior Doug Thompson stops to examine icicles while hiking at Hocking Hills.







Backpackers Jamie Peters, Rob Koenig, Robin Barnett, Eileen Shannon and Sally Widman talk before their upcoming hike.



While at Snow Trails in Mansfield, Chris Schelling and Jim DeVries enjoy the ride up the hill in the ski lift.

Ski, Backpacking Club

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Seven Springs serves as sight for skiers trip

On January 13, Ski Club members traveled to Seven Springs Mountain Resort in Champion, Pennsylvania for the third consecutive year. Ellen Follett, adviser commented, "Counselors felt the trip was one of our best regarding cooperation, attitudes and deportment. It was a fun time."

Mrs. Follett and Margaret Hoagland served as Ski Club advisers. Mrs. Follett completed her eighth year with high regards for everyone. "I had eight wonderful years but I served my term and decided to let Mrs. Hoagland take over. Ihope she enjoys the club as much as I have," she said.

Skiers used their heads to raise money by making a BHA commercial. Each participant received a dollar for standing on his head and singing the BHA song. In addition, they sponsored bake sales, raked leaves and held a car bash at school.

Each Monday from six in the evening until ten, skiers took advantage of the ski opportunities at Sugarcreek Ski Hills in Bellbrook. An average of 75 members skied each week and enjoyed the slopes in the company of many friends.

Ski Club donated money to many functions such as trees for beautification, The DRAGON, and the US Olympic Ski Team. The money left funded a big pizza bash held at the end of the year. After all of this, they still supplied the next years treasury with an amount of $200.

Backpackers received a test of their strength and endurance as they tackled slippery hills and streams on their hiking trips. Participation in the club enabled students to experience many outdoor physical activities.

Outings included hikes at Red River Gorge, Shawnee State Forest, Hocking Hills and a two-day hike to Tar Hollow. Backpackers canoed down the river at Mohican State Forest and White Water Park in Indiana.

Necessary equipment needed for outings included a pair of sturdy hiking boots, pack, sleeping bag and general camping items. When students first joined the club, other members shared equipment with them.

Senior Rob Koenig commented, "I feel anyone who likes to have a good time and appreciates nature will enjoy our club. Packing is a time to forget school and pressures and just have a great time."

Members of the Backpacking Club tred through the woods on their trip to Red River Gorge in Kentucky.

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State contest spurs interest for West club

Two clubs as West worked in assisting members with future plans. Future Business Leaders of America steered students toward business while Future Medical Careers guided students toward professional fields.

FBLA began by having a picnic at Paul Meyer's house. Vice-president Dianne Schepers stated, "It helped old and new members become acquainted with each other."

Out of 20 activie members, 7 qualified for state competition held in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 23 and 24. Renee Hinch, Dianne Schepers, and Jenny Reed competed in office procedures, Penny Reed in general business, Lori Leach in Typing I, Amy Dickinson in Shorthand II, and Terri Reigelsperger in Shorthand I.

President Renee Hinch stated, "The purpose of the club is to develop leadership qualities in the business field, and the purpose of competition is to develop a sense of pride."

FBLA raised money by having bake sales and selling candy. The money went toward state competition expenses. At the end of the year, FBLA held a banquet to recognize its seniors.

Anne Karnas, program director for FMC, planned many activities for the club. The club worked in a service booth checking blood pressures at the Dayton Mall's Health Arama.

In November, FMC visited Cox Heart Institute. They saw many animals, and different testing methods. During December, FMC went caroling at Barney's Hospital.

FMC saw a heart catheterization at Kettering Hospital. Andy Niekamp said, "It was the most interesting club function of the year." FMC also helped with the blood donating at Fairmont West.

"Greater interest was shown this year, and more people seemed interested in medicine," stated president Sue Gath. FMC ended the year with a banquet and and an election.



Sophomore Theresa Lane prepares to do some illustrations for FMC.



Simulating an emergency, Kathy Goodpaster bandages Anita White's finger.

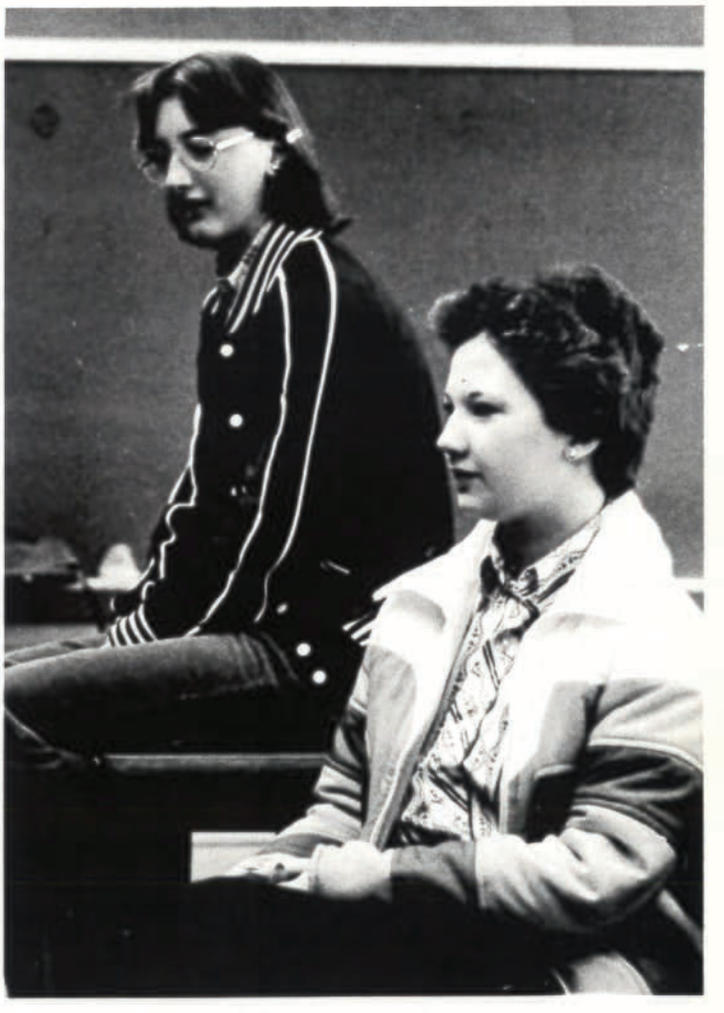


FBLA members attend a 7:45 a.m. club session to sign up for convention.

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During the FBLA meeting, Dianne Schepers and Penny Reed go over plans for room arrangements at the March convention.







Club members Lori Leach, Penny Reed and Dianne Schepers plan a display booth to take to the state FBLA conference.

Adviser for FBLA, Eleanor Gallagher, outlines the program for the Cincinnati contest.

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At an after-school practice, varsity chess captain Tom Britt studies his next move.



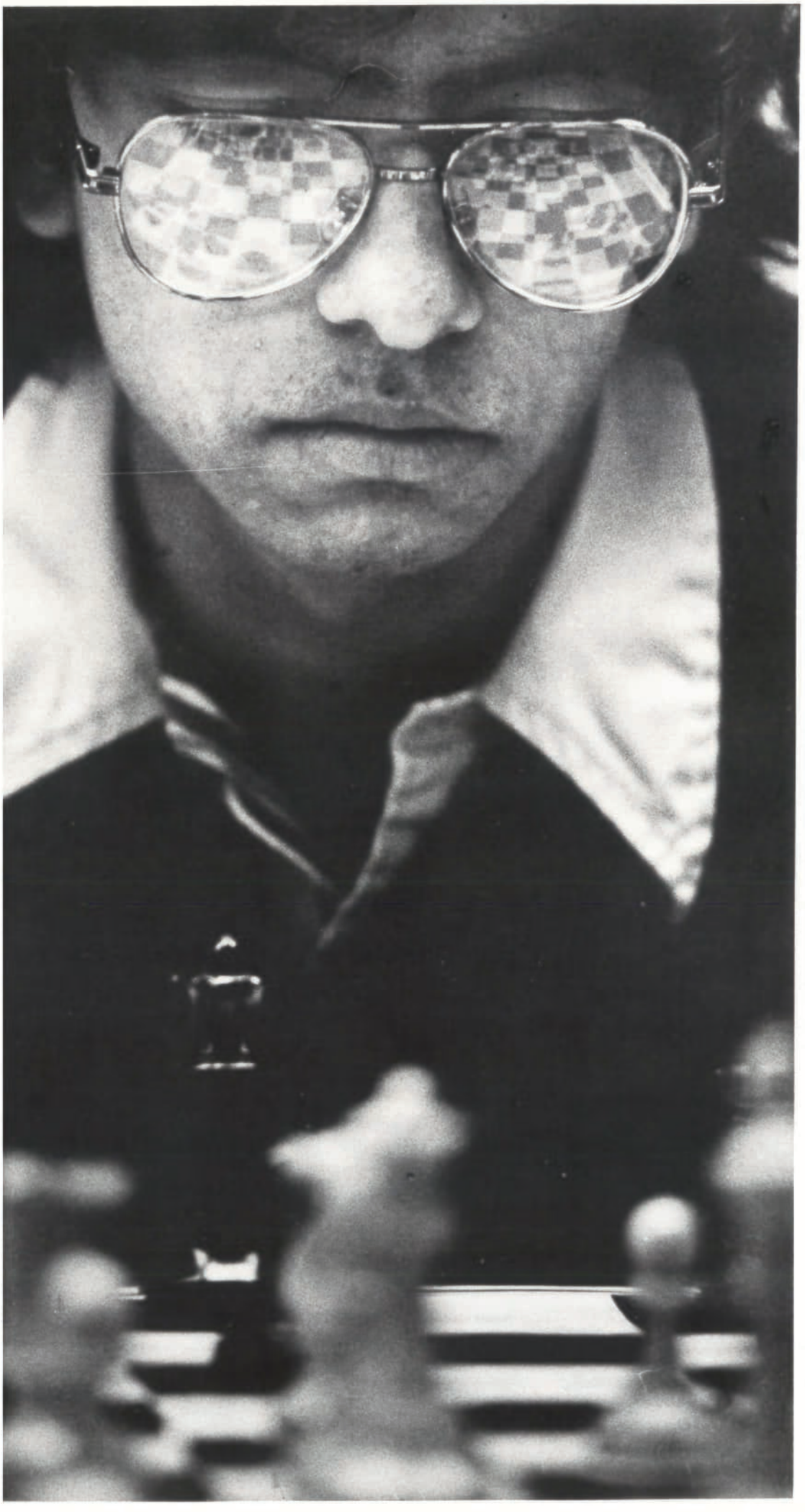




Senior Chess club member Barb Price debates the advantages and disadvantages of moving her pawn forward in an attack.

Checking sophomore Bill Potter's technique, Barb Price observes his method of play.

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Club members capture WOL tally 6-0 season

Students in the Chess Club finished the season by capturing the Western Ohio League title with an undefeated record. They continued competition in the Greater Dayton League tournament and finished first.

Club members hosted a Team Open in November and won five rounds played. They then participated in the Cinicnnati Team Open where they tied for first place with Columbus Whetstone. The tournament lasted two days and included 12 divisions.

In addition the team travelled to Columbus for the State tournament. The four-man team competed against 40 teams and won the State championship. For three days the students competed in seven rounds to get the win.

Club members consisted of 35 students. The varsity team inlcuded Tom Britt, Mark Palmert, Bill Potter, Atul Balwally and Barb Price. Rob Phelps, Jeff Patrick, Scott Horne, John Sharp and Rick Bahner played on the junior varsity team. The remaining students played to improve their skills and receive experience in match play.

Competition in the zonals tournament qualified three individuals for the State championship. Balwally, Britt and Palmert won the zonals and travelled to Columbus for the meet.

Members elected officers Palmert, president, Price, vice-president and treasurer; Potter, secretary and Tim Swabb, statistician. Fred Kingrey served as adviser to the group.

Varsity team captain Tom Britt stated, "This season has been the most-productive ever. Our adviser Mr. Kingrey gave the team a great deal of support and time. We really appreciated his devotion to the team and the club."

At the East-West match, junior Atul Balwally ponders his next move.

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ow attendance affects clubs' lack of interest

Despite low attendance at meetings nch, Spanish, German and Latin os kept up their usual activities oughout the year. German club nber Carol Kovacs stated, "This r we have suffered from lack of rest and this greatly affected our ject possibilities."

French club participated in the an- l Foreign Bazaar placing first in d and third overall. They also l the "Gong Show" and sponsored Mardi Gras. In April French club its annual end-of-the-year dinner. n Burns served as club adviser.

unior Terry Bockhorn stated, "The di Gras enabled French students earn more about the celebration e still having fun and learning."

Officers for the club consisted of khorn, president; Missy Lockwood, -president, Diana Shannon and n Dickerson, secretaries; John gan, treasurer and Sue loas and n Britt, social chairmen.

panish club had their ugly man test. Junior Missy Lockwood tured the award. They had a Christ- party in December and a dinner at Casa Amiga during March.

Officers for Spanish club included n Seyersdahl, president; Melissa quette, vice-president; Tina Grif- secretary and Amy Dickenson, surer. Spanish club adviser Dale ilton commented, "All who have nded have been very active."

ee Risley advised the German club. stated, "All members that have e to meetings gave 100 percent participation." German club a Christmas party for members.

Carol Kovacs served as president German club,. Kim Ruetschle, -president; Doreen Keys, secretary; Dopf, treasurer and Deanna Keck- and Ann Karnas served as the gram coordinators.

atin club decorated a room at Jaycee's Haunted House and re- ed the first-place award. They also icipated in the chariot-a-thon in anapolis, placing fourth.

Officers for Latin club consisted David Patrick, president; Mike ts, vice-president; Sharon Ander- secretary; Sarah May, treasurer Leslie Beyer, publicity chairman. othy Gibbs advised the members ne Junior Classical League.





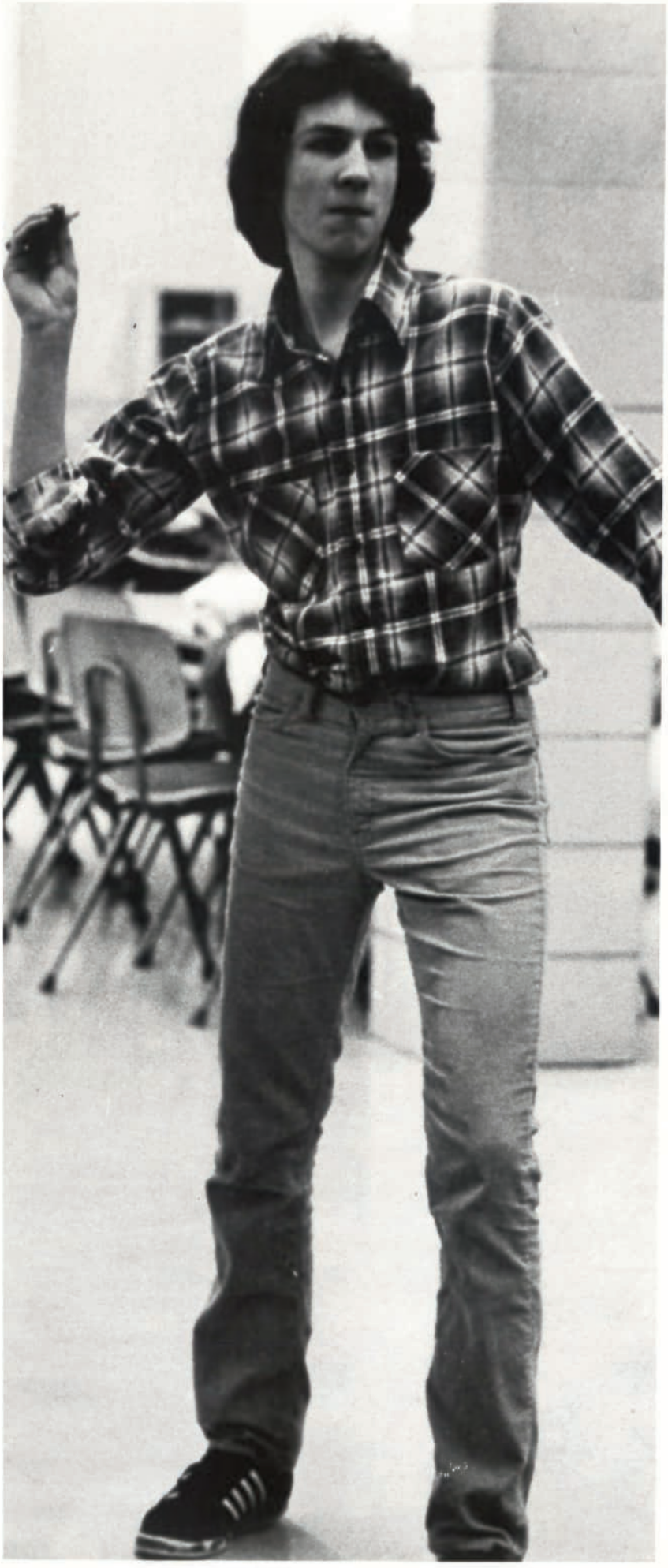
Wesig, Caryn Dickerson and Mark Palput finishing touches on the French booth at the Foreign Bazaar.

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During the Foreign Bazaar, Diana Shannon looks over items that Jackie Kelly, Shari Meixner and Jeanne Dech display.

Aiming at balloons, junior Terry Bockhorn prepares to throw a dart in a booth during French club's annual Mardi Gras.

Enjoying a snack, Latin club adviser Dorothy Gibbs observes students preparing the various booths for Mardi Gras.







While participating in the Foreign Bazaar, Joe Nealon shows off his Spanish costume.

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John Knight observes while Thomas Finch explains the operation of the Pentax K 1000.





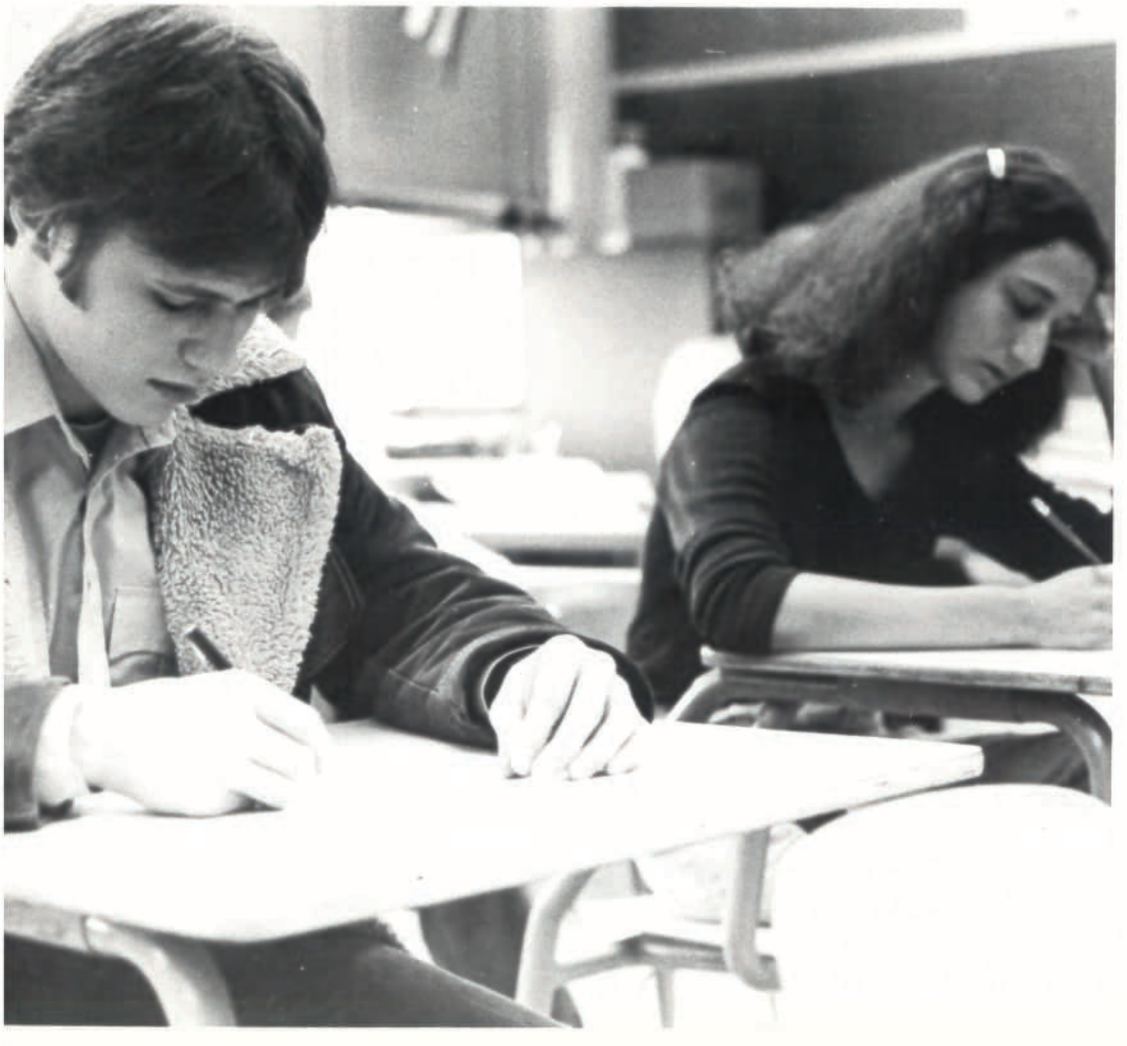


Gerry Hulshult and Dan Osman enlarge photographs in the darkroom.

Steve Miller, Dave Patrick, Chuck Dockin and John Smith mount a print on a dry mount press during Photography club.

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Club members take interests in math testing

Math club participated in two major events this year. They took part in the Ohio Math League Tests and also a workshop for hand calculators.

Officers in math club included Bill Ruh, president; Mary Butchko, secretary and treasurer; and Steve Miller, publicity. "Joining math club is a chance for math students to find an outlet," stated adviser Jerry Neff.

Photography club participated in three main events this year. They worked on a silver-recovery project and later went on a field trip to a color processing lab. They also took part in a photography contest in April.

Officers in photography club included Terry Moore and Jerry Hulshult as co-presidents and Bob Knight as treasurer. Photography club offered membership to any student interested in the field of photography.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes participated in many different service projects throughout the year. They sponsored a room at WING/Jaycee's Haunted House and received a second place award. They also bought $75 worth of groceries each for two needy families at Thanksgiving.

FCA participated in other activities such as buying fruit and gifts for a bingo party at Heartland Convalescent Center and selling trick or treat insurance. They also held their annual breakfast for the coaches.

Officers of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes included Tony Scurlock as president, Mike Flanary as vice-president, and Shari Dearing as secretary and treasurer.

Athletes made up a big part of FCA but anyone could join. "Since I have become adviser, I have seen the membership double in size to about fifty members. I have stressed service, and each year we have increased our participation in community involvement," concluded James Kill.

At a Fellowship of Christian Athletes meeting, Tony Scurlock discusses details with adviser James Kill and other members.

In Jerry Neff's room, Paula Stamas and Paul Lindower check their math league test scores.

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Student Council plans activities during summer

Student council began working on activities in the summer. Chairpersons and committees formed to coordinate major projects. Meetings took place twice a month to enact the plans.

"Mardi Gras" provided a theme for the Labor Day Parade. Council selected "Black Jazz Men" playing "Blues" as the subject of the West float. The float called "Bourbon Street Blues" won the Grand Marshall's award in Holiday at Home.

Fall brought about two events. Students participated in the retreat held at camp Whip-poor-will. The retreat included club leaders and helped them become involved in school functions. Homecoming week began with daily spirit boosters. A victorious football game led to high spirits for the dance on Saturday night.

Students found an inexpensive mailing service during Christmas time. Council members disguised as elves delivered Christmas cards for three cents each. A record 8600 pieces of mail helped the organization's treasury. Santa also made his appearance and gave out candy canes in the cafeteria. Activities ended in Saturday night's dance "Santa Claus's Coming to Town."

Valentine's Day gave everyone an opportunity to send carnations to friends or lovers. Flowers went on sale the week prior to Valentine's and delivered to homerooms that day.

Monte Carlo created much interest in the spring dance. Each person received money to use at the gambling tables. The shopping spree for children from the Welfare department also took place in the spring. Clubs donated money for children to buy clothes and enjoy Marion's pizza.

Two-thirds vote of the student body ammended the constitution. Congress no longer held a Senate and Social House, but became one. The student council adviser-coordinator, James Larson said, "My job helps all the extra activities run smoothly."

Council showed West's staff their appreciation by decorating teacher's lounges on Halloween and holding a breakfast in May. Funds for these activities came from the snack bar which opened everyday after school. Members also earned over $800 doing a census for the Board of Education.

Student council president Becky Berens and vice-president Judy Younkman prepare for a meeting during the third period.





West's float "Bourbon Street Blues" waits to be driven through the parade route.

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Spreading Christmas cheer, council members, Teresa Tehan, Jenny McKinney, Don Woods, and Kim Todd boogie for fellow students.





Vivian VonGruenigen helps count election ballots for homecoming king and queen.



To advertise the spring dance seniors, Penny Gilmore and Joan Randall make posters.

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WKET-FM program director, Dave Dickerson relays a news story during his broadcast.





While looking over an Art Club agenda, president Sheri Fleming talks with Lynn Guiney.



Student disc-jockey Chris Schill gets ready to play the next record at WKET.

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NFL board members Amy Diederich, Diane Humphreys, Greg Kurtz and Lori Waites pose for a picture.



Selling projects provide income for club plans

NFL speechers and WKET-FM staf fers thought up unique new ways tc raise funds for the year. NFL raisec approximately $625. selling Rex soaj and WKET-FM recorded profits of ove $300. in their pizza sale.

Art club met weekly on Wednes days. They discussed plans for trips tc art museums and get-togethers. Thc group visited the Dayton Art Institutc and Wright State's art department Fred VonGruenigen, art club adviser said, "We have more of a social clut with about 12 active members."

Aside from selling soap, NFL helc weekly pretzel sales and sold footbal programs to raise funds. The speecher started work in November and attend ed meets every Saturday until March Sixteen members made up a centra core of competitors every weekend.

Twelve speechers competed at thc district level. Seven forensics repre sented West at state competition. O those seven, Diane Humphreys placec fifth in humorous interpretation anc Greg Kurtz took sixth place in thc original oratory classification.

NFL's board of directors includec Greg Kurtz, Amy Diederich, Lor Waites and Wendy MacDonald. They planned for bus rides, meets and func raisers. Senior Greg Kurtz commented "Speech is the most rewarding anc worthwhile extracurricular activity ir which to participate."

WKET-FM sponsored their annua prom package, held an "On-the-Air' marathon and brought "Daybreak' back for morning listeners. Kar Bremer completed his first year a: faculty adviser. He commented, " worked with an enthusiastic group o kids that made working easy."

This year the FCC lifted the rulc that a DJ must have an operating li cense. Since then, more people learnec how to broadcast and went on the air Program director, Dave Dickerson summed up the year by stating, "Thi station is a real learning experience and it's been a good year."

Greg Kurtz practices putting emotions into his part for state competition.



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Marching unit gains players for new sound

West's Marching Dragons took on a new look and sound. New uniforms accented the new style. Addition of percussion instruments the marching xylophone, marching marimba and marching bells accented on sound.

Summer activities included Rookie Camp for sophomores and band camp for the entire unit. "Camp was a lot of hard work but at night we could play tennis or go swimming. We all had a great time," commented Beth Graham president of marching band.

Other officers of the Marching Dragons included Brady Harding, vice-president; Kathy Harshbarger secretary and Dave Greimann acted as field marshall. Dan Brownfield a member of marching band and concert band commented, "We had a great time marching on Friday nights."

Under the direction of Jim Kays the Marching Dragons placed second at the Trotwood-Madison Band Spectacular, and attended many other band festivals and competitions. Marching Dragons also received awards at band camp.

Both stage and concert bands directed by Wesley Haines performed in many out of school competitions. Stage band, an 18 piece "big band," performed jazz, jazz rock and all styles of pop music. Concert band performed two formal concerts and a winter and spring concert at West.

Under the direction of Wesley Haines, concert band performs the winter concert.



Drum and percussion players perform February 11 at the concert held at West.





Front row: John Regan, Bob Young, Jim DeVries, Dave Allen, Steve Rhor, Roger McCready, John Smith, Brady Harding, Teresa Sturgill, Bob Hack, Chris Harris, Kathy Goodpaster. **Row 2:** Dave Greimann, Tom Thygerson, Dave Murray, Michelle Miller, Allison Phillips, Joe Dudar, Jim Weyrauch, Sandra Vasiliadis, Linda Justus, Terry Moore, Al Cross, Dave Grant, Kathy Harshbarger, Missy Lockwood, Becky Bayless, Linda Lord, John Hempker, Devon Wells, Ron Dopf, Mark Niekamp, Melissa Valiquette, Ted Rall, Jim Kayes. **Row 3:** Chris Schelling, Kim Vogel, Brian Jenkins, Dave Lehman, John Coyle, Art Middlebrooks, John Sharp, Melissa Steadman, Heather Minnich, Trudy Friesenborg, Mary Jo Brockie, Maurene Denty, Linda Robertson, Kyle Hoover, Tina Anderson, Renee Brasier, Paula Dudley, Karen Wakeman, Beth Bernard, Beth Crane, Ron Baird, Jim Lehman. **Row 4:** Russ Keeney, Jeff Patrick Beth Cimprich, Beth Graham, Dave Schairbaum, Todd Comer, Lauri Burshtan, Steffi Seeberger, Bob Suriano, Andy Brownfield, Bridget Federspiel, Lisa Griffith, Alice Betts, Tina Griffith, Alecia Whitaker, Mark Wicks, Dan Hart, Terry Richard, Amy Dickenson. **Back row:** Dan Brownfield, Mark Bogner and Jim Rogers.

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Terry Moore, Dave Grant and Al Cross perform "Dance With Me" in the half-time show at the East-West football game.





During a time out at the home basketball game against Xenia, Pep Band members play the Dragons' fight song.



While rehearsing for an upcoming performance, Jim Weyrauch plays during practice.

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Patty Beavers, Lynda Janning and Kim Tod dance to the season opener, "Get Ready."





Front row: Penny Gilmore, Patty Beavers, Lynda Janning, Kim Todd, Peggy Miller. **Row 2:** Kim Garberson, Denise Watson, Kim Travillian, Sue Peirce, Ann Mantia, Pam McGarry, Cindy Abbott. **Row 3:** Cheri Parrish, Noreen Wilkus, Nancy Naylor, Jane Meyer, Cathy Poling, Laura Delva, Michelle Eller, Kelly Hartman, Terre Manning. **Row 4:** Lisa Vincke, Rosemary Davis, Shari Meixner, May Lahanas, Meg Cavender, Diane Watson, Tonya Lane, Cheri Downs. **Back row:** Kathy Moellering, Joanne Houston, Cindy Smalley, Teresa Ferdelman, Leslie Balog, Josie Gill, Jeanne Hudson, Nancy Lake, Yvonne Marabito and Jenny Okeson.



During the "Holiday at Home" evening performance, Peggy Miller strikes a pose.

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Flag-rifle corps records first in FW history

While marching onto the field, Jane Leen exudes concentration on her routine.

In the pregame show, Diane Watson performs to the Fight Song.







Front row: Sue Seyersdahl, Jane Leen, Andrea McQueen, Teresa Kamke, Cindy Carelton, Julie Riegel. Back row: Joanne Schultz, Lisa Lee, Barb Bossi, Emily Sharpe, Kim Balckburn, Lisa Gegel, Carrie Hall, Tonja Bollinger, Sue Bowker, Malina George and Terri Wintersteen.

Distinctive additions and variations made the Dragons halftimes stand out. The Rhythmettes had a change in uniform, choreographer and style. For the first time in West's history, flags and rifles appeared on the field.

Before the season started, both the Rhythies and the Color Guard held summer practices. The week of August 20 they traveled with the band to Wilmington, Ohio, for band camp.

Beginning the season, the Band, Rhythies and color guard marched in the Labor Day Parade and evening show. Aside from performing at the weekly halftimes, the Marching Dragons played in festivals and contests.

Terre Manning and Sally McQueen experienced their first season as choreographers of the Rhythmettes and color guard. Mrs. Manning, a Ball State graduate with a BA in dance, taught the Rhythies jazzy new routines which won awards.

September 24 the Rhythmettes and the Band attended the Centerville drill team invitational. The two units received first place honors in best drill team, best captain to Lynda Janning and best musical accompaniment to the Band. Together they won the Grand Marshall's award.

Cadet captain of the Rhythmette corps, Lynda Janning, carried out numerous duties of the year with assistance from lieutenants Peggy Miller, Kim Todd, Patty Beavers and the top sargeant—Penny Gilmore.

Sally McQueen had double duties as Color Guard choregrapher and adviser. Sally had judged baton twirlers, flags and rifle corps. Officers of the '78 guard included captain of rifles—Andrea McQueen, captain of flags—Lisa Gegel and her co-captain—Carrie Hall.

James Kays, director of the Marching Dragons, summarized the year by stating, "I thought it was an extremely successful year for everyone and the addition of the color guard has proven a big asset to the school."



Shari Meixner and Laura Delva boogie to the tune of "Dance with Me."

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Music concert fills orchestra's spring season

Under the skilled direction of Donald Detrick the Fairmont West Orchestra began the year with their annual children's concert. Fifth and sixth grade elementary students got a feel for orchestra music by listening to classical as well as popular numbers.

December 2, highlighted the winter season. With the orchestra's Christmas concert. Beth Graham a senior member of the orchestra commented, "The winter concert is alot of fun because everyone is filled with the Christmas spirit and enjoys the Christmas songs that we play."

Orchestra also participated in the musical, "Where's Charlie." It took many hours of practice before putting the musical together with the chorus. Chorus director Gene Seeberger along with orchestra director Donald Detrick combined their talents to direct the spring musical production.

Highlighting the spring season chorus and orchestra held a concert on May 30. Then on June 5 orchestra performed at Commencement for their final performance of the year.

Orchestra students sold candles as a very successful money-making project. Money earned from this school project helped upgrade the stage facilities in the auditorium.

Cellist Robin LeFevre, awaits her cue to begin playing with the orchestra.





Student teacher Sonja Reynolds and pianist Anita Karnas work with the students before an upcoming concert.



Seniors Robin LeFevre, Donna Farmer along with sophomore Sydney Baxter practice during a sixth period rehearsal.

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Violin players Lisa Carney and Lisa Gross study their music sheets while practicing for the February concert.





Susan Ruiz plays at the Christmas concert downtown at Winters Bank.



Orchestra members Brady Harding and John Smith enjoy a free moment during class.
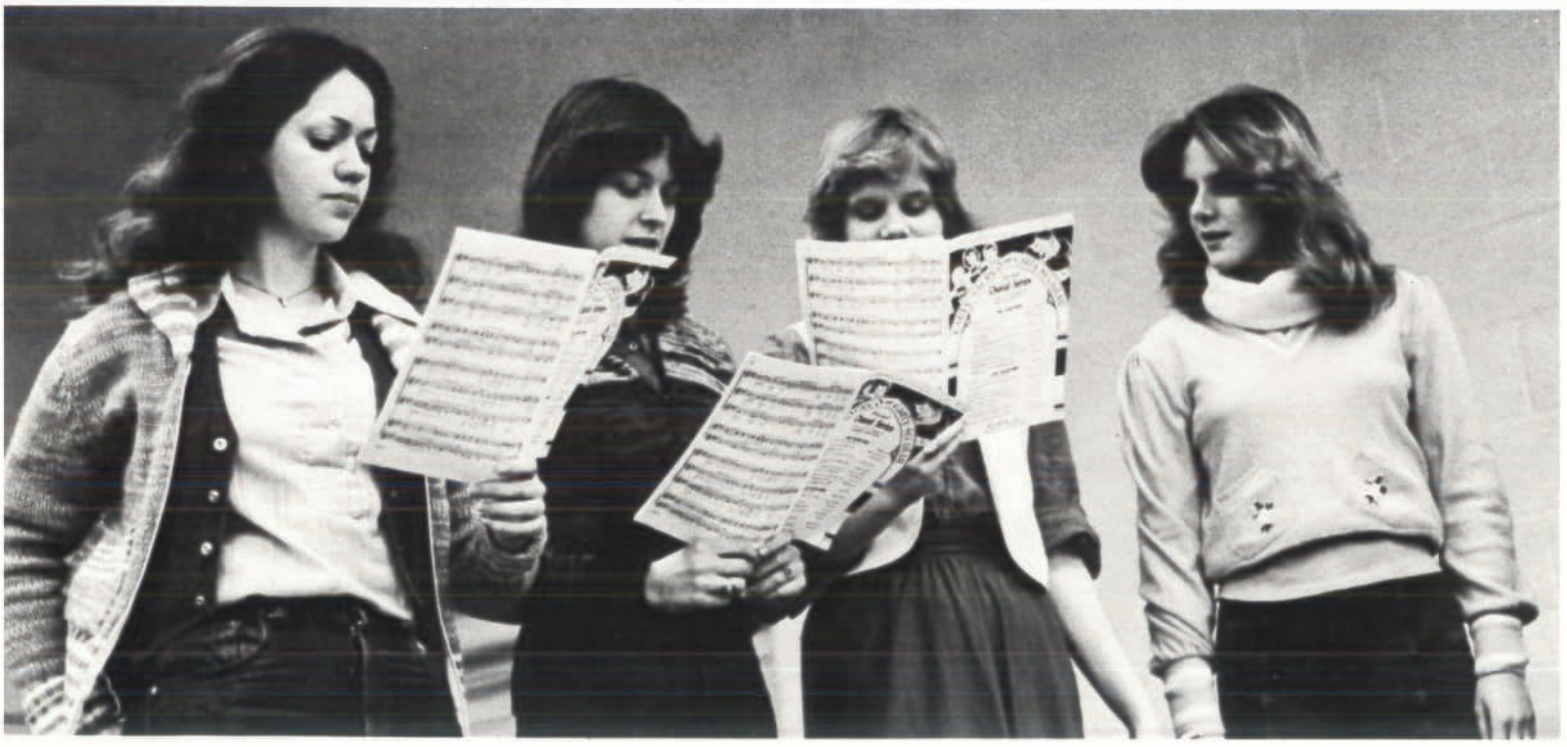
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During the class period, Mike Hill, Trent DeVoe, Terry Bockhorn and Paul Wharton rehearse "The Eyes of All."

Playing the piano, Kim Blackburn helps the chorus during rehearsals and performances.





Treble choir members Tina Williams, Lisa Brown, Michelle Atchison sing "Vere Languares Nostros" during fifth period class.

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During fifth period, mixed choir members listen to Mr. Seeberger's instructions.



Lack of seniors fails to slow choirs' spirits

Declining senior interest in the choir didn't seem to hinder the spirit. Senior Ted Miller commented, "The big difference this year is how well they sing with so few seniors." Director Gene Seeberger felt this showed good senior leadership.

As a joint project, both mixed choir and treble choir sold candles to buy new blazers and skirts. Replacing the old choir robes, giving the choir an updated look for the 1979 year.

One of the highlights of the year included a concert presented at Winters Tower lobby during the Christmas season. Soloists for the concert included Karyn Feller, Amy Beitzel and a girls quartet. The orchestra also accompanied the chorus during the familiar song, "White Christmas." Open to the public, the concert enhanced the Christmas spirit.

One special feature in various programs included the girls quartet. The group consisted of Amy Beitzel, Carrie Hall, Martha Taylor and Nanette Heib. The girls rehearsed during each class period separately from the choir to achieve perfection.

West's chorus involved themselves in many activities throughout the year, operetta being the most predominate. Sharon Tipton, student teacher, aided the choir during the musical and class.

Senior Marsha Cartwright commented, "Although I've been in Mr. Seebergers class for four years, everyday is a new experience. The joy we bring to people listening to our music makes it all worth the while."





During the Christmas concert at Winters Tower Lobby, Gene Seeberger directs.

In concert the mixed and treble choirs present numbers from "Ceremony of Carols."

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Inspiring spirit, Varsity football cheerleader Cheri O'Meara performs "Aim High."



Wrestling cheerleaders Kim Travilliam, Kathy Walthall, Sharon Patterson, Robin Rodehaver and Lisa Foreman cheer for West.



Cheerleaders travel to

Varsity cheerleaders traveled to Western Kentucky University while reserves attended Purdue University for camp in the summer. The three varsity squads went together, but competed seperately.

Camps consisted of learning new pyramids, pom-pon routines and sidelines. Competition took place during the night. Senior football cheerleader Jennifer Smith added, "Camp is the first time to work together with the squad and it gives us a chance to see other squads and get new ideas."

At camp all squads received awards. Football squad won one superior and three excellent ribbons. The basketball squad won five superior and two excellent ribbons. The soccer-wrestling squad won two superior, one excellent and one outstanding. All squads won the spirit stick.

Cheerleaders not only competed at camp, but participated in two contests. The varsity basketball squad placed second in the pom-pon division at Springboro high school contest while the reserves placed third at a contest in Greenville, Ohio.

Cheerleaders did many projects for the players. Besides making posters and cookies, each squad did something extra-special for their team. The football squad took breakfast to the players. Soccer-wrestling decorated rooms and the outsides of the houses. Basketball squad made scrapbooks and had a brunch.

Fund raisers for the cheerleaders included bake sales and car washes. But the biggest success proved to be the "Go-West, Beat-East" buttons sold before the big game.

Speaking in favor of all cheerleaders, senior Pam Blain commented, "Cheerleading has been a fun experience. It's a good way to get involved with the school and promote spirit."



"Watch Out!" cheer the reserves Amy McKowen, Julie Widman, Laura Batsche, Mindy Hoppe, Julie Walther and Jane Pepper.

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Varsity basketball squad Kay Smith, Tina Brown, Beth Moore, Lynn Knoepfle and Carolyn Lockhart jive to the beat of the band.



Western Kentucky camp



Football squad members Judy Topp, Vivian VonGruenigen, Jennifer Smith, Sue Brown and Diane Hastings enjoy the halftime show.



During the Alter-West game, varsity basketball cheerleaders build a final mount as they do "Dragon Spirit."

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Roxanne Geary, Bridget Federspiel and Ann Halpin discuss the layout of the newspaper.





Dan Osman pours developer into a measuring cup before using it to develop some film.



Writing about the current news, Ann Halpin finishes her newspaper copy.

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'Dragon Tales' publishes news with small staff

Making up for the small number of people on the staff, the **Dragon Tales** staff worked very hard to publish the school paper. Even with the small group, the members published every week except near vacations and while preparing the senior edition.

Associate editor Donna Boen commented, "Our small staff made the work much harder, but everybody did more than their share so that we could get a paper out almost every week."

"Even though we didn't have a large staff," stated editor-in-chief Ann Halpin, "I think we covered more news, school events and sports than before."

Photographers for **Dragon Tales** sometimes experienced odd assignments and long hours. Both Dan Osman and Joel Taylor said, "We get good experience in photographing and making creative pictures."

Reporting for the newspaper involved a lot of hard work. Bridget Federspiel said, "I thought it was a lot of long and hard work, but after a while I became used to the amount of stories we were assigned and it did not seem so hard."

To improve the newspaper, Halpin and assistant editor Roxanne Geary attended a journalism workshop at Ball State University in July. They learned about writing, editing and makeup of papers. They used their knowledge to get the paper rolling.

Marianne Petzold made money for the paper as she billed the advertisers every month. She assumed these duties when business manager Holly Shaw graduated in January. "It gets really hectic at the end of every month when we do the billing and sending out of exchange papers," Marianne said, "but someone has to do it."



Ann Halpin and Kathy Goodpaster hand out newspapers during the lunch period.

Prepare the headline print, Donna Boen puts together a layout on the light table.

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Dragon Staffers arrive at goal in ad revenue

Early in the summer, yearbook staffers started selling advertisements to local businesses and professional patrons to begin production of the **Dragon**. Members sold throughout the summer until the first nine weeks. They reached a goal of $7000.

Also in the summer editor Kay Smith and assistant editor Jeanette Meyer attended a journalism workshop at Ball State University for two weeks. They attended classes all day and worked on ideas and theme for the **Dragon**. "Ball State was hard work, but it was a worthwhile trip," commented Kay Smith.

Taylor Publishing Company conducted a workshop at West, teaching fundamentals of yearbook preparation in late September. Yearbook staffs from area schools also attended the all-day workshop. Students watched slides of different types of yearbooks and learned new ideas and techniques.

After the slide presentation, students went to the cafeteria to use the new techniques they learned and demonstrated with the tools they would use to produce a yearbook. Members made a mock spread with paper pieces.

In November the Columbia Scholastic Press Association returned the yearbook judging on the 1978 **Dragon**. The book received CSPA's Medalist rating which goes to only a select number of such books throughout the United States.

Staffers used third and fifth periods working on the **Dragon**. They gathered information about their topics and interviewed teachers and students to get quotes for their copies. "Producing a yearbook is a lot of fun, but it requires a lot of hard work," commented Sharon Patterson.

Yearbook photographer Joel Taylor devoted his extra time after school taking pictures of school functions. Staffers gave assignments to Joel and he took and developed the pictures.

Staffs of both publications and students from the printing area attended a banquet at Holland House, May 18. Senior staff members exchanged gag gifts, while editors reviewed the highlights of the year. Adviser Judy Logan presented awards to the senior staff members.

Hurrying to get her copy done by deadlin senior Carrie DuRose corrects a mistake.





Working on the student council spread, Joan Randall crops a picture to fit the space.



Using his developing room at home, yearbook photographer Joel Taylor develops pictures for the yearbook staffers.

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Editor Kay Smith and assistant editor Jeanette Meyer finish up the closing section of the Dragon during sixth period.





Putting the final touch on her layout, junior Sheryl Finegold rechecks measurements.



At the annual banquet, held at the Holland House, adviser Judy Logan holds up the sketch for the cover of the yearbook.

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New head coach leads

FOOTBALL

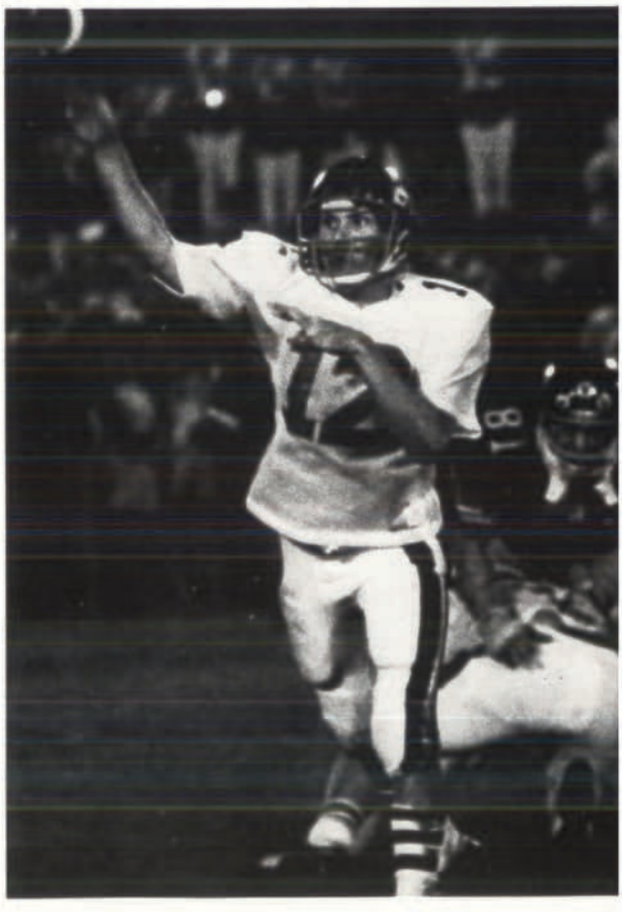
WEST		OPPONENT
7	West Carrollton	21
21	Springfield South	6
20	Wayne	7
27	Xenia	14
28	Stebbins	6
0	Beavercreek	7
20	Fairmont East	40
9	Troy	8
7	Centerville	14

Wins	Losses
5	5

WOL—Fourth

Senior tailback Les Kidd breaks away and runs down field in the East-West game.

Quarterback Mike Flanary throws a pass while Chris Hohl keeps the oncoming Centerville rusher from sacking the quarterback.



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n the homecoming game, Les Kidd (22) gets touchdown against Stebbins. Mike Flanry, Chris Hohl and Larry Copeland run to congratulate him after the play.

Middle linebacker Gerry Noe (45) and safety Tony Scurlock (24) help John Walther (77) tackle the Stebbins tailback on a short gain.



gridders to 5-5 record



Front row: Jim Wilson, Randy Morton, Tony Scurlock, Ken Harper, Gerry Noe, Chris Hohl, Kraig Hunley, Lloyd Heckman, Alex Bunn, Les Kidd. Row 2: Mike Diano, Rick Hoffman, John Hoeflinger, John Knight, Dan Shockey, Kevin Roeckner, Ken Greco, Eric Sheafer, John Walther, Joe Nealon, Dave Hanley. Row 3: Matt Shampon, Dave Klemm, Tom Spettel, Jim Funk, Klaus Price, Rick Price, Shawn Huffman, Dave Frazier, Dan Osterfield, Tim Black, Conrad Kircher, Tim Haffner. Row 4: Harold Raines, Sean Porter, Jim Brennan, Larry Copeland, Doug Whitmer, John Cross, Greg Hohl, Joe Kunkel, Mike Flanry, Shawn Sexton, Rick Mickalo, Tom Smith, Chris Waltz. Row 5: Jim Miles, Steve Kircher, Mike Mays, Eric Harris, Roger Shope, Kevin Harlan, Jay Haffner, Jim Johnstone, Jim Sharp, Bill Davis, Steve Parrish, Bob Silverii, Mark Degrossa, Bill Halpin. Row 6: Dave Pregon, Steve Keller, John Glynn, Jeff Yeary, Arnold Price, Mike Alexander, Bill Ireton, Rick Lowe, Mike Watern, Tim Wyrock, Keith Martin, David Fry, Ken Pifer, Gregg Whitehead, Terry Buchanan. Back row: Scott Perkins, Mark Johnson, Henry Knight, Scott Wallace, Bill Burke, Ted Miller, Trent DeVoe, John Freeman, John Runza, Phil Drayton, Mike Virelli and Lowell Vorpe.

Taking over as new head football coach, Lowell Vorpe, lead the Dragon gridiron team to a 5–5 record. In Western Ohio League action, the Dragons finished in a fourth place tie with Springfield North at 5–4.

Commenting on the season, Coach Vorpe said, "Although this was my first season as head coach, I did not feel uncomfortable. I personally learned a lot from the experiences of coaching the players, especially the seniors. They made the difference with their exceptional effort and team-work."

"I felt Coach Vorpe did a tremendous job," stated assistant Phil Drayton. "Everyone accepted him as a dedicated coach and that made it very easy to adjust to him." Coach Michael Virelli also added, "Coach Vorpe is a low-key coach, but very efficient."

Coach Vorpe cited the Xenia game as the best of the season. Although other games had better scores, he felt the Dragons beat the strong Buccaneer team with few mistakes.

After losing the opening game to West Carrollton, the Dragons played tough football during the first half of the season by defeating Springfield South, Wayne, Xenia and Stebbins.

Beavercreek, Springfield North, Fairmont East and Centerville defeated West in the second half of the season, but the Dragons defeated Troy to insure an even season. In the East-West game, the Dragons played well, but lost the rough game 40–20.

In the last game of the season, West, being a heavy underdog to Centerville, showed pride by almost upsetting the league champs. "We could have won if it weren't for all the turnovers that broke our potential offensive drives," stated Coach Virelli.

Fumbles served as the offense's major setback. Virelli went on to say, "We turned over the ball in every game this season. Even with the good team attitude and the exceptional amount of talent in the offensive line and backfield, fumbles stopped the scoring drives and the morale."

Offensively, the Dragons scored 146 points. Les Kidd gained 1165 yards for the season and received first team all-area, from both Dayton newspapers, and first team all-WOL honors. Chris Hohl and Mike Flanary lead the gridders in total scoring with six touchdowns each for the season.

Behind the blocking of the Dragon offensive line, the offense gained a total of 2285 yards. Eric Shaefer, the right tackle, received second team all-WOL honors, and left tackle John Hoeflinger got all-area honorable mention.

Lead by middle linebacker Gerry Noe, the defense allowed 135 points. Ken Harper received second team all-WOL and Noe received first team honors. Noe also lead the team in tackles with 78 and assisted on 34 other ones.

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Carrie DuRose backhands a volley to help in the win against Wayne.





Golfers: Mary Kay Dougherty, Sue Bowker, Linda Justus, Deanna Schulke, Diana Mickle.

New players participate

Varsity- and reserve girls' tennis and golf teams had many new players participating for the first time. Singles player Kathy Broad placed first in sectionals, runner-up in district and fourth in state. The golf team took first place in the Greenville Invitational. Linda Justus placed second for the Dragon golfers.

James Andrews took over girls' tennis from Diane Olix and Jeff King coached girls' golf for the first year. Playing home matches at Community Golf Course the record fiished at 4–5, the best in three years.

Early in the season, Mr. King stated that, "if they continued to improve they would be able to win the Greenville Invitational whithout any real problems," and they did.

Girls' tennis finished at 9–4, second in the Western Ohio League. Three girls qualified for State. In doubles Captain Carrie DuRose and Gretchen Geyer finished fourth in district matches in Dayton.

Julie Lyons said, "I thought it was fun, it was my first year and I wish the season was longer. Coach Andrews was a great coach also." Karen Kiser stated, "Tennis season went very smoothly. The girls got along very well with each other."

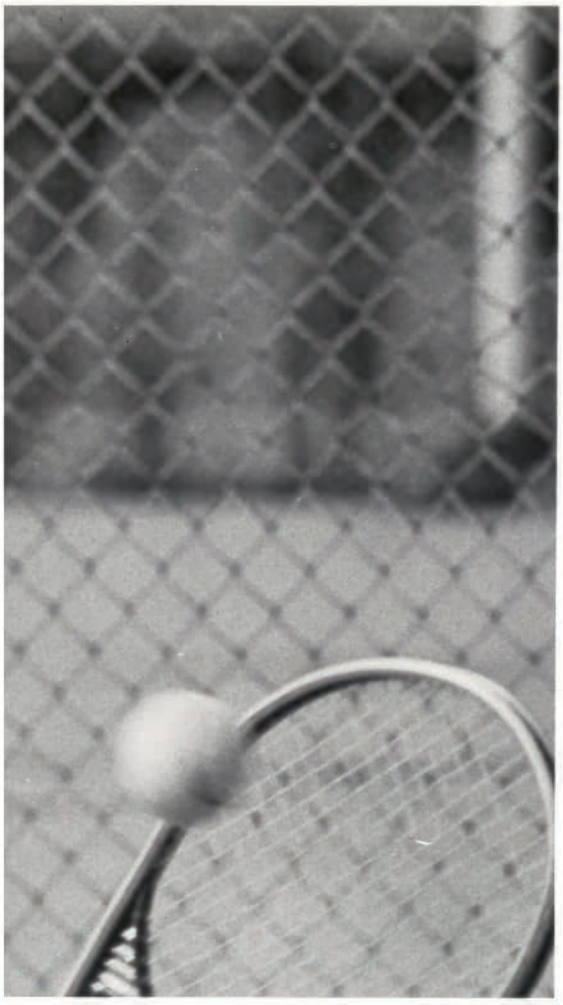
Regarding golf, Diana Mickle said, "I really liked golf,. I started out not knowing too much about golf and Mr. King and the rest of the team helped me alot. I had the best time playing and learning and meeting opttimistic for next year."

At the fall banquet the season officially closed. Coaches presented awards to girls in their various sports. Jenny and Captain Mary Kay Dougherty received most-improved awards, while Kathy Broad and Linda Justus won most-valuable player awards.



Front row: Julie Pfaff, Pam Emmons, Martha Taylor, Terri Reinheimer, Beth Johnson, Jane Shaeffer. **Back row:** James Andrews, Kathy Broad, Karen Kiser, Gretchen Geyer, Katie Kramer, Julie Lyons, Sheryl Finegold.

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Concentrating during the Troy match, Kathy Broad hits a high forehand.

During an October match with Greenville, Mary Dougherty prepares to drive.



n girls' sports at West





Martha Taylor hits a forehand at practice.

Linda Justus tees-off against Centerville.

GIRLS TENNIS

WEST	OPPONENT	
2	Princeton	3
3	Springfield North	2
0	Bexley	5
5	Stebbins	0
4	Troy	1
1	Centerville	4
2	Oakwood	3
5	Beavercreek	0
4	Hamilton Taft	1
5	Wayne	0
5	Xenia	0
3	Fairmont East	2
5	Springfield South	0

Wins	Losses
9	4

WOL—Second

GIRLS GOLF

WEST	OPPONENT	
238	Centerville	229
223	Princeton	253
229	Piqua	241
215	Greenville	212
143	Indian Hill	126
143	Taylor	171
214	Piqua	261
225	Centerville	215

Wins	Losses
4	4

Greenville Invitational—First
Coca Cola Invitational—Fifth

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Bob Horwath strides to the finish line for Fairmont West CC Riders.





Fall cross country, gol

BOYS GOLF

WEST		OPPONENT
171	Vandalia Butler	175
171	Meadowdale	182
171	Tipp City	218
159	Miamisburg	164
159	Oakwood	150
164	Middletown	SD164
172	West Carrollton	174
153	Beavercreek	159
160	Springfield South	195
158	Franklin	151
169	Wayne	182
168	Xenia	175
158	Stebbins	181
166	Troy	171
174	Springfield North	175
170	Fairmont East	173
173	Centerville	161
162	Alter	159
168	Oakwood	160

Wins	Losses
13	6

Princeton Invitational—Fourth
WOL—Fourth
Sectional—Fourth

CROSS COUNTRY

WEST		OPPONENT
45	Richmond	15
54	Beavercreek	24
54	West Carrollton	42
30	Troy	25
24	Stebbins	31
17	Wayne	43
44	Fairmont East	19

Wins	losses
2	5

Miamisburg Invitational—Eighth
Troy Invitational—Seventh
East Invitational—Eighth
Park Hills Invitational—Fifteenth
Bowling Green—Nineteenth
WOL—Eighth
Sectional—Eighth



Pete Bowker assumes the correct stance as he prepares for a 240-yard drive.



Victor Brahm practices his golf stroke before he tees of against Fiarmont East.

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CC Riders get off to a good start in the meet against West Carrollton's Pirates.

Steve Kiser sinks a putt at Community golf course during a match against East.



both place 4th in WOL

Boys golf and cross country had a similarity. The two teams placed fourth in the Western Ohio League. Cross country coach Bob Karl stated, "We had a good group of runners to work with this year."

With the largest turnout in many years, participation enriched the Dragon cross country team to 23, including six girls and two junior high runners. The CC Riders ran during the summer to earn merit in the Dragon 500, 400 and the 300 summer mileage clubs.

First year coaches Karl and volunteer assistant Karl Bremer ran along with the team to get more experience with the sport and for their own good. One pre-season race inlcuded the Holiday-at-Home 10,000 meter run.

During the season the team faced some of the strongest competition around and also attended several large invitationals. The team's top performances came at the Miamisburg Invitational—eighth, the Troy Invitational—seventh and the sectionals with an eighth place finish.

Captain Dean Teaford, a letterman for three years, lacked his usual top performances because of illness and injuries. Mike Houck, voted most-valuable runner, placed tenth in the sectional and eighth at Miamisburg.

Junior Leslie Beyer set a girls' school record of 17:51 in the two and one-half mile race. She won ninth in the WOL girls' race. Bob Horwath received the most-improved award.

Dragon golfers ended the season with 13 wins and 6 defeats during regular play. Four seemed the Dragon linksmen's number as they placed fourth in the sectionals, the Princeton Invitational and the WOL tournament.

Vic Brahm and Pete Bowker made the WOL all-league team. Coach Mike Klopfer said, "The average per individual was excellent and very steady most of the season." Averages ranged from 40.9 to 50.0.

One loss happened in sudden death against Miamisburg. A close win for the golfers came as they defeated arch-rival Fairmont East by three strokes.

Junior varsity players won five matches, losing only one to Troy. Coach Klopfer and assistant Jeff King handed out awards on November 20. Pete Bowker received most-valuable, while Vic Brahm captured the most-improved trophy for 1978.



Front row: Rick Bahner, Eric Frick, Pete Bowker, Dave Hughes, Steve Kiser, Jeff McKinney. **Back row:** Mike Klopfer, Brad Marman, Vic Brahm, Doug Overbay, Mike Walters and Mike Louis.



Front row: Dan Paul, Diane Weiss. **Row 2:** Craig Mayhew, John Hecker, Mike Houck, Bob Horwath, Betty Geoghegan, Mike Shumard, Dean Teaford, John Hylton. **Row 3:** Steve Davis, Tony Jones, Ken Barrie, Yale Skipworth, Missy Lockwood, Marlene Hauser, Leslie Beyer, Sue Gath, Mark Weiss, Mike Lee, Can Yung Park. **Back row:** Karl Bremer, Dave Vaugh and Bob Karl.

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In the game against Stebbins, Vanessa Misel spikes the ball as Gwen Nielson and Kathy Watern anticipate the return.

Girls capture state title

Dreams became a reality for the girls' volleyball team when the Dragons won the state championship by defeating Columbus Whitehall. In the districts, the team breezed by Carroll giving them the opportunity to defeat Mother of Mercy from Cincinnati in the regional tournament.

During the regular season games, the Dragons captured the Western Ohio League title for the fourth consecutive season. The girls entered tounament action seeded number one with a 17–0 record. Reserve team members finished their season play with a 9–4 record.

For the second year, WOL named Fran Eden "Coach of the Year." Team member Danyle Harvey said, "Miss Eden is really dedicated to the team. She has made it a point to always wear the same clothes, including three rings and purple earrings for every game we've played."

Seven team members became part of the WOL All-Star team. Kathy Watern, Jane Neff and Nanette Hieb placed on the first team with Jane Neff getting most-valuable. Gwen Nielson and Danyle Harvey placed on the second team and Vanessa Misel made the third team. Robin Barnett received an honorable mention.

Parents and friends mostly supported the team. They made up their own cheers and really let the players know they backed them all the way. The girls challenged the parents to a game full of fun and the parents lost.

During the season, the Dragons challenged Columbus Whitehall. The Dragons trailed the game and soon began to give up. Then Harvey returned a spike that led to victory.

Despite impressive victories over their opponents, the Dragons did not escape sickness. Co-captain Jane Neff could not play in ten games, so Robin Barnett filled in for her. "When Jane came back, Robin knew she would go back to the bench, but there was no friction at all. Robin showed tremendous spirit," commented Eden.

She continued, "The players attitudes are very team-oriented. It takes seven to win and seven to lose, and when the team shines, then everybody shines."

Dragon girls' volleyball team consisted of seven seniors, three juniors, seven sophomores and two managers. Neff and Watern served as captains.

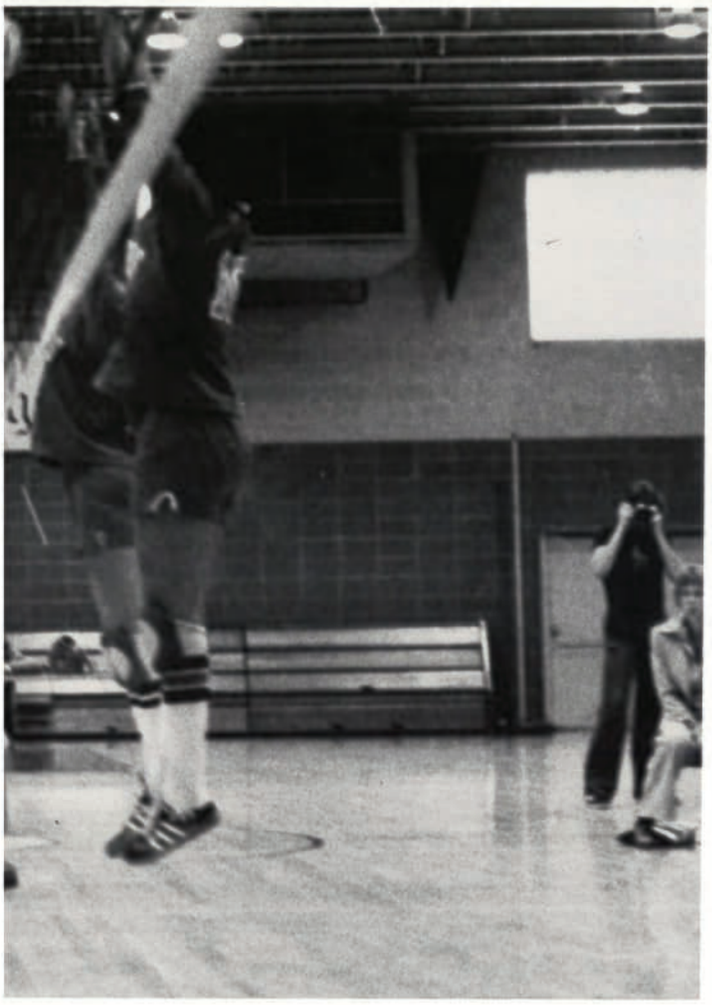
At the fall sports banquet held on November 15, the most-valuable player trophy went to Kathy Watern. The most-improved went to Robin Barnett. Team members voted on these awards by casting secret ballots at the end of the season.



Front row: Danyle Harvey, Vanessa Misel, Nan Hieb, Jane Neff, Kathy Watern, Robin Barnett, Sally Widman. **Row 2:** Jennifer Ackerman, Karen Spettell, Lisa Zajovits, Gwen Nielson, Kathy Ochs, Julie Bolton. **Back row:** Fran Eden, Jeane Dech, Kathy Marquardt, Lisa Young, Shelly Fecher, Julie Weinel, Mindy Norton and Lisa Redrow.

Nanette Hieb starts the offensive strategy with a bump as Danyle Harvey and Vanessa Misel prepare to put the ball over the net.

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Senior co-captain Jane Neff serves the ball in a home game against Springfield South.



with undefeated record



VOLLEYBALL

WEST		OPPONENT
2	Chaminade-Julienne	0
2	Wayne	0
2	Centerville	0
2	Beavercreek	0
2	Stebbins	0
2	Springfield North	0
2	Xenia	0
2	Lorain	0
2	Whitehall	0
2	Springfield South	0
2	Sidney	0
2	Seton	1
2	Mother of Mercy	0
2	Troy	0
2	Fairmont East	0
2	Belmont	0
2	Middletown	0
	DISTRICTS	
2	Stivers-Patterson	0
2	Xenia	0
2	Belmont	0
2	Carroll	0
	REGIONALS	
2	Cincinnati Oak Hills	0
2	Mother of Mercy	1
	STATE	
2	Cleveland Lorain	0
2	Columbus Whitehall	0

Wins	Losses
25	0

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Westonians close season

SOCCER

WEST		OPPONENT
1	Alter	3
3	Vandalia Butler	3
0	Yellow Springs	2
4	Dayton Christian	2
1	Carroll	3
1	Wayne	3
3	Xenia	2
2	Stebbins	0
2	Beavercreek	3
0	Fairmont East	2
1	Troy	2
1	Centerville	3
6	Middletown	0

Wins	Ties	Losses
4	1	9

Sectional Tournament

1	Alter	3



Leggers Scott Hancock and Brian Piatt use team effort to block an opponent's kick toward the opposing goal.

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Co-captain Scott Brown uses strong footing and skill to steal the ball from Alter and take it on down the field.

In complete control, senior John Wagner shows his skill by outmanuevering his Knight opponent in a close contest.

In a close match, junior Ralph Rogers misses a chance to intercept fromAlter.





on disappointing mark

"Although the soccer team ended the season with a disappointing record of 4–9–1, we felt every game we were in was close enough that we could have won. Lack of experience hurt us against the top teams we played," commented Coach Robert Servis.

Throughout the season the leggers proved their abilities in matching talents with the area's many top-ranked teams. "The highlight of the season was the Centerville game. They are great rivals and it is always and exciting game to play. Every game was played hard down to the wire," stated junior Dan Burkardt.

Many awards went to the Dragon leggers. First team all-Western Ohio League and second-team all-area awards went to Andy Hawk. Ralph Rogers received second-team all-area and honorable mention all-WOL as did east unit senior Lucio Manzo.

"We looked to be much-improved next year with eight starters coming back. This will be the most starters that we've ever had coming back. If the players are willing to work hard in the off season, we should be very competitive next year," Coach Servis predicted.

At the annual fall sports banquet, the most-valuable went to Lucio Manzo and most-improved went to Scott Hancock. The leading scorer—Ralph Rogers had ten goals and three assists. Burkhardt came in second at five goals.

First year coach Warren Glaser, served as the reserves mentor in tallying a 2–7–2 season. The team elected Jim White and Dan Burkhardt to serve as co-captains for next year.



Front row: Bill Hart, Lucio Manzo, Sy Pham, Scott Brown, Craig Frost, Andy Hawk, John Wagner, Scott Hancock, Jim White. Row 2: Tom Britt, Mike Ryan, Dave Dickerson, Larry Arway, Kevin Bardon, Tim Armstrong, Bob Guiney, Dave Jeffries, Greg Kelly, Ralph Kruer, Mike Ross, Brad Dunlevy, Dan Burkhardt. Back row: Bob Servis, John Stutson, Mike Rieske, Mike Buck, Sam Harris, Jim Hansen, Gordon Wilkes, Scott Foreman, Brian Piatt, Ralph Rogers, Joe Hauser, George Tolnitch, John Schneider, Roger Hartman, Rich Merchant, Pete Nesbitt, Brooke McCarter and Warren Glaser.



Carefully planned strategy shows onTom Britt's face as he moves the ball downfield.

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Battling for control, Shari Dearing steals the ball as Lexie DeVries awaits a chance to assist in scoring a goal.



Dying of thirst, Dara Schumacher and Trina Pot take a drink from water bottles.



Dragon girls take first

For the first time in the history of girls' field hockey, the Dragons participated in the first state competition. They went into the tournament seeded third. They finished by capturing the state championship, capping their season at 10–0–2.

Undefeated, the Dragon ladies kept their Western Ohio League title for the third consecutive season. "This was made possible because of the fact that we cooperated and played as a unit," stated senior captain Ann Britt. Although finishing their season undefeated, Oakwood and Bexley ended in tied games.

Other major accomplishments during the season included a 1–1 score tieing Bexley. Further in the season the Dragon ladies destroyed fourth ranked Northmont 6–0. Highlighting the season the Dragons succeeded in defeating East 3–2.

Leading the Dragons to their undefeated season, Eileen Shannon and Ann Britt took the role of captains. During the season the Dragon ladies scored 47 goals. They showed their defensive abilities by holding their opponents to only 6 goals scored.

To close the season the Dragon women held their annual sports banquet. Amy Farren received the award for most-improved, and the team honored Ann Britt with the most-valuable player trophy.



Senior captain Ann Britt gets the ball and starts to dirve down the field as Shari Dearing provides an assist.

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Taking possession over Princeton, Holly Chandler makes a pass to Shari Dearing as they charge down the field toward the goal.



in state hockey tourney



Front row: Holly Chandler, Joanna Kauffman, Jane Davidson, Amy Farren, Patty Peacock, Trina Pott, Eileen Shannon, Ann Britt, Karen Feller. Row 2: Terri Tehan, Jeni Eckley, Jeanette Paul, Sharon Sisco, Shari Dearing, Sue Ioas, Lexie DeVries, Marlene Ashley, Marilyn Dominic, Dara Schumacher, Beth Hanning. Back row: Ann Frick, Ann Somers, Lisa Copenhaver, Jackie Kelley, Barb Till, Caryn Dickerson, Tammy Pickthorn, Vally Williams, Susan Janco, Diana Shannon, Diana Eley, Barb Daugherty and Marty Sinkhorn.



FIELD HOCKEY

WEST	OPPONENT	
5	West Carrollton	1
7	Tecumseh	0
9	Princeton	0
5	Vandalia-Butler	0
1	Bexley	1
3	Fairmont East	2
1	Lebanon	0
8	Seven Hills	0
3	Fairborn Baker	0
3	Northridge	1
6	Northmont	0
1	Oakwood	1

Wins	Ties	Losses
14	2	0

TOURNAMENT ACTION

2	Kirkland	0
1	Old Trail in OT	0
2	Fairmont East	0
1	Shaker Heights	0

Most-improved player Amy Farren displays her skill as she battles one-on-one for the ball during the match with Princeton.

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In an attempt to put the Dragons in the lead, reserve Steve Dearing shoots two foul shots at a home game.





Dragon hardwood teams

VARSITY BASKETBALL

WEST	OPPONENT	
55	Jefferson	86
73	Chaminade-Julienne	72
44	Alter	62
51	Belmont	60
57	Springfield South	61
51	Wayne	53
49	Meadowdale	61
75	Wilbur Wright	92
54	Xenia	70
48	Northmont	45
47	Stebbins	49
52	Beavercreek	60
58	Miamisburg	70
57	Springfield North	84
43	Fairmont East	68
41	Trotwood Madison	54
51	Troy	47
73	Centerville	59
Sectional Tournament:		
58	Franklin	53
48	Wilbur Wright	66
Wins		Losses
5		14

Height in basketball became useful as Center Gary Berner tries to block Mark Wilson's shot in the East-West game.



While sitting on the sideline, Ralph Kruer, Andy Hawk, Greg Oswalt, Bruce Hobbs and Bill Lane attentively watch the game.



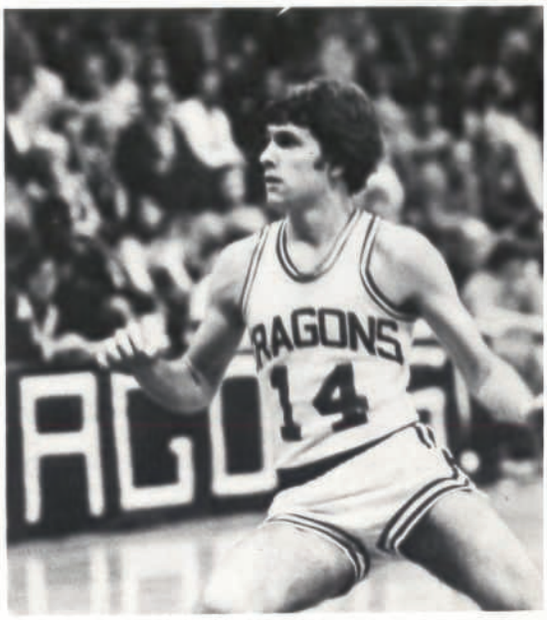
Senior Dave Rodehaver rebounds the basketball after Alter attempts a shot.

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Guard Robb Bolar battles for the ball with Centerville opponent Greg Lamblin.



Speed and agility aid John Gabriel as he runs down court to guard his opponent.



get two new helmsmen



Front row: Dave Rodehaver, John Gabriel, Tony Scurlock, Jeff Mays, Greg Oswalt, Gary Hays, Ron Oswalt. Back row: Coach Bruce Hobbs, John Stanley, Paul Wharton, Andy Hawk, Gary Berner, Ralph Kruer, Robb Bolar, and Scott Perkins.

New coaches for both varsity and reserve basketball teams accented the '79 season. Bruce Hobbs took the position of head coach and Bill Lane became his assistant. "My first year as head coach was enjoyable. I had the chance to work with a spirited group of players," said Hobbs.

Varsity Dragons ended their season with a 6–14 record. "A bad schedule and shooting inconsistencies seemed to be the biggest problem we faced," stated Robb Bolar, "a majority of the games were away."

Co-Captains Robb Bolar and Gary Berner captured second and third team WOL honors respectively. The team overall received an honorable mention from the "Journal Herald" and a special mention from the "Daily News."

West met Franklin in the first round of the district tournament. West fell behind in the first half, but came back after halftime to win the game. West lost the second game to Wilbur Wright.

Senior member Tony Scurlock stated, "We had the potential to win but we played good against top-rated teams and poorly against those whom we were evenly matched with."

West's victories included beating Beavercreek by 2 points. Hobbs added, "Student spirit at home games was great. They really helped us out in the game against Beavercreek."

Junior varsity highlighted their season in a victory over Centerville. Sophomore Steve Dearing commented, "Beating Centerville was definitely the biggest victory of the season. We played hard to overcome the Elks in two overtimes."

Cagers ended the basketball season with a banquet held March 12. This gave a chance for coaches to present awards and highlight the events of the season for players families.

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Gwen Nielson (24), Amy Kruer (30) and Nanette Hieb (25) all defend West's basket.



Controlling the tip-off, Gwen Nielson jumps up against her Colonel White opponent.



Girls' basketball scores

Girls' varsity baskeball continued to dominate during the 1978–79 season as they lost only three close-scoring games. Their closest game occurred against Alter, a hard-fought game which they won 65–64. Junior varsity finished on an even note of 8–8, overall and 4–4 in the Western Ohio League.

Amy Kruer led the scoring for the varsity with an average of 22.4 points per game and 11.6 rebounds per game, going on to score an all-time career high of 1027 points. Amy said, "I was really surprised and shocked that I did so well."

Reserve Dragons had their best game when they played Troy. The JV's held the Trojans scoreless in the second half in an outstanding effort. They allowed only seven points in the first half for a 34–7 victory.

They beat their rivals Centerville by a slim margin of 35–32. Coach Jeff King stated, "The girls were inexperienced, and not very tall, but played very hard, learned a lot and improved greatly over the season."

West's varsity finished tied for first with Springfield North in the WOL. Diana Schwab said, "These were the hardest working group of girls. They didn't have height, but overcame that with a lot of hard work."

In tournament play they beat Wilbur Wright 51–41. The Dragons went on to beat Meadowdale 52–45. They played first seeded Stivers-Patterson in the semi-finals, but lost 55–40.

At the winter banquet Nanette Hieb won the most-improved player award, while Amy Kruer won the most-valuable player award and also received the best foul-shooter award. Kruer summed it all up when she said, "We had a good team and great team spirit, we all worked and had fun."

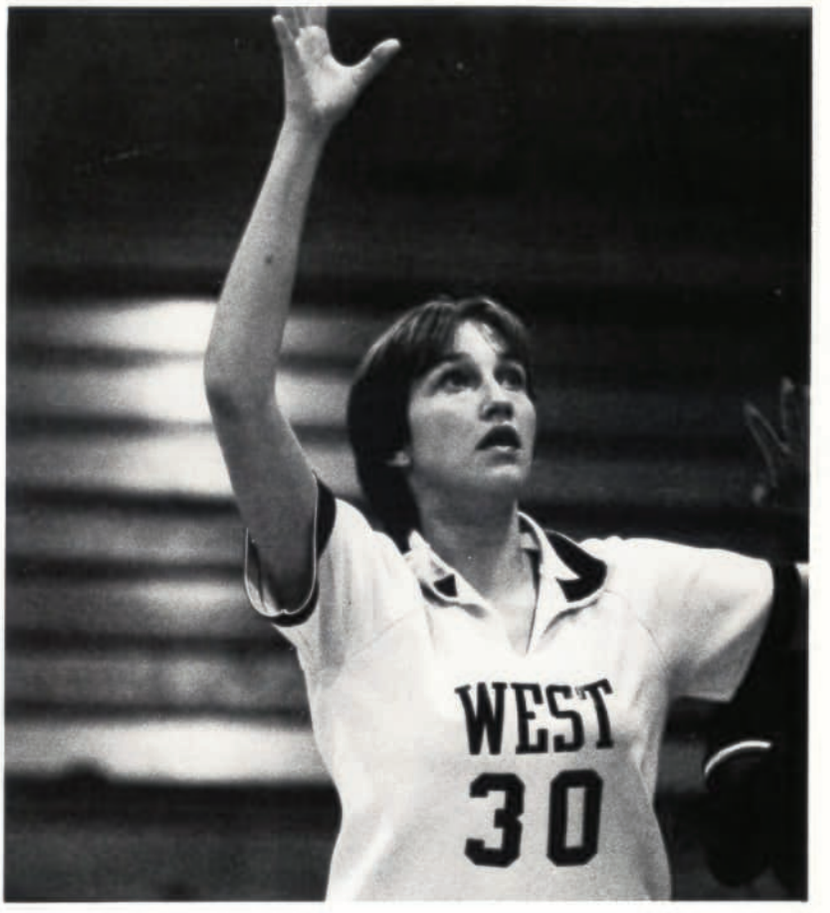


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Amy Kruer watches in anticipation to see if her shot goes in during the Xenia game.



high, wins two in tourney



Colonel White's forward blocks Amy Farren's high pass to Kruer.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

WEST		OPPONENT
80	Belmont	14
64	Bellbrook	42
46	Colonel White	40
57	Walnut Ridge	48
44	Chaminade-Julienne	58
65	Alter	64
41	Wayne	33
63	Centerville	36
54	Beavercreek	22
61	Fairmont East	29
62	Stebbins	25
56	Middletown	62
48	Springfield North	66
71	Franklin	26
72	Xenia	32
67	Mother of Mercy	49
74	Springfield South	47
64	Troy	39

Wins	Losses
17	4

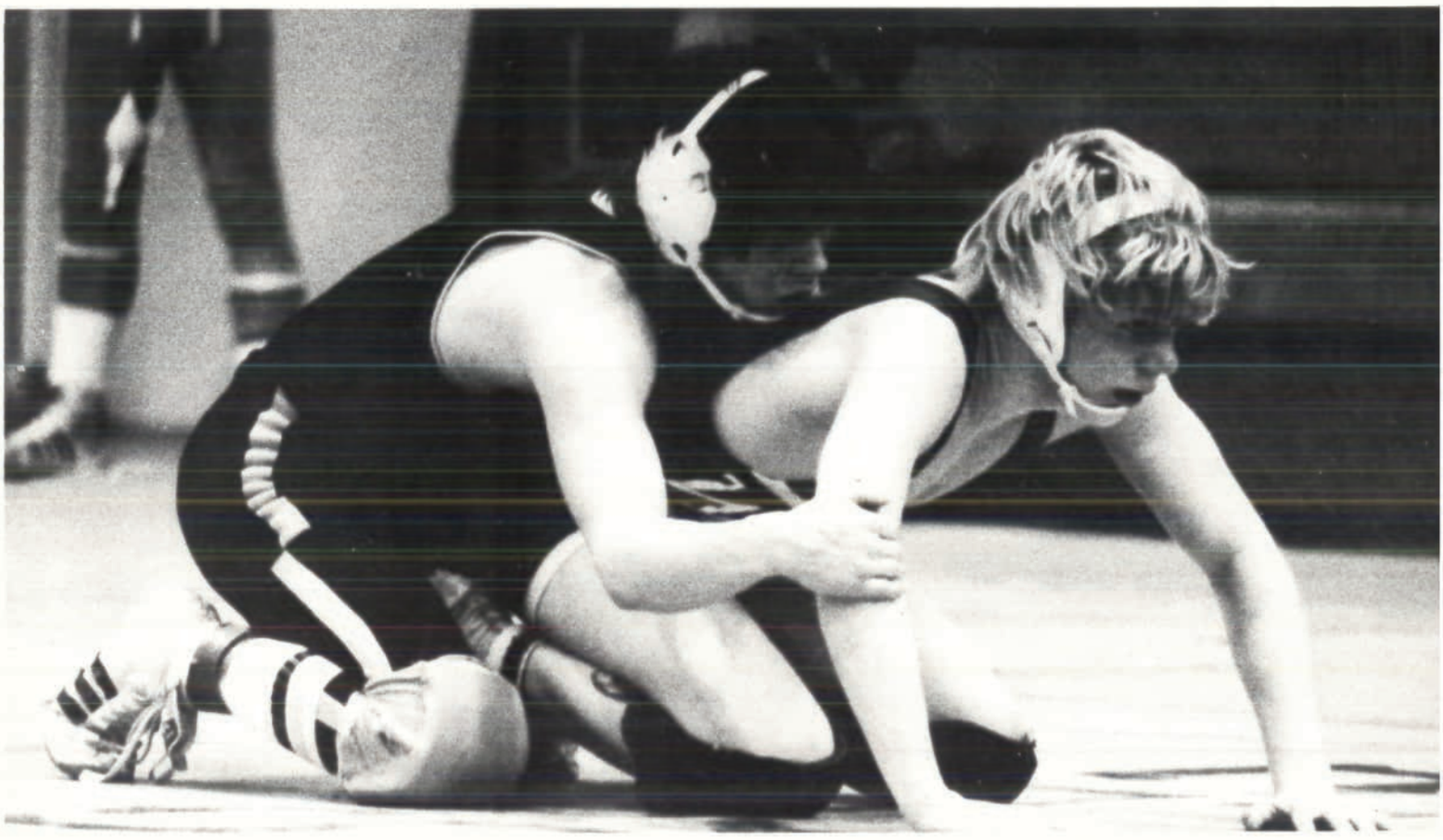
District Tournament

51	Wilbur Wright	41
52	Meadowdale	45
40	Stivers-Patterson	55

Waiting to shoot a foul shot, Jenny Garwood lines up with the basket.

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Awaiting the referee's whistle, Paul Sommers prepares to reverse his position.



Matmen have rewarding

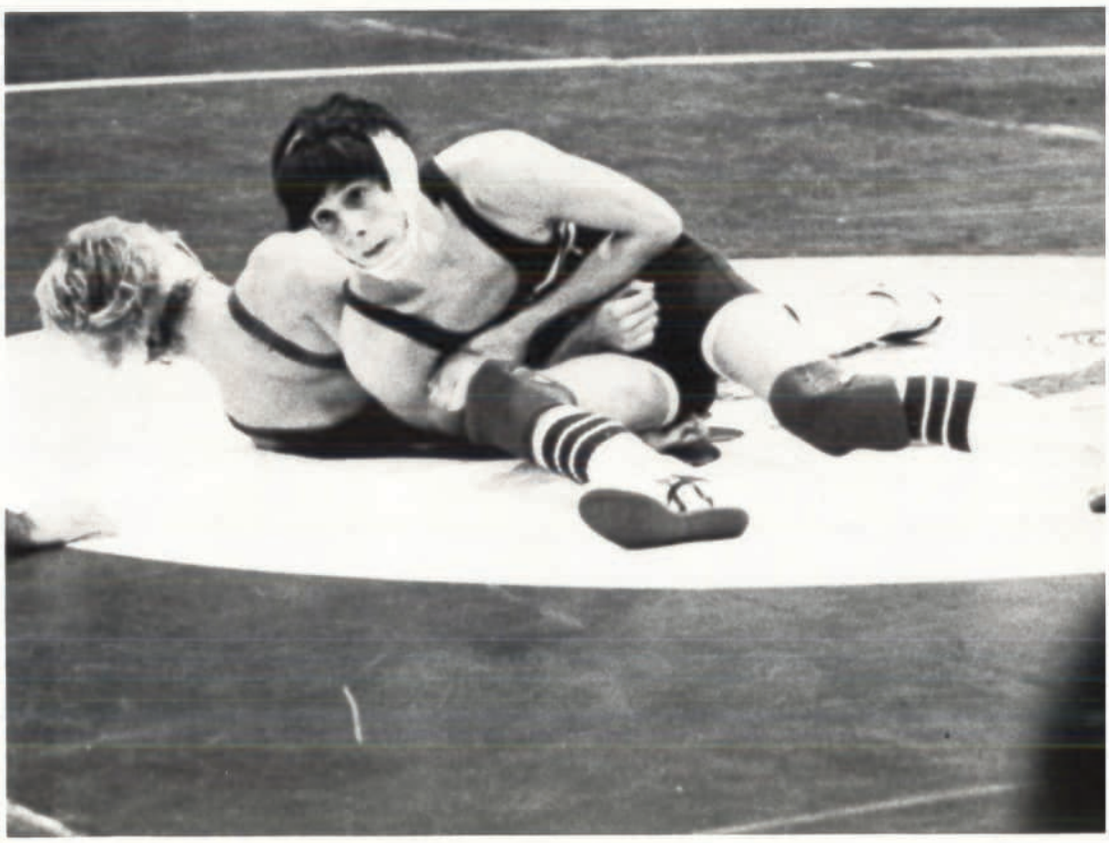


WRESTLING

WEST		OPPONENT
66	Belmont	10
36	Alter	24
49	Wilbur Wright	21
37	Bellbrook	20
27	Fairmont East	37
31	Springfield North	33
57	Springfield South	12
12	Xenia	56
6	Centerville	48
44	Middletown	21

Wins	Losses
6	4

Holiday Tournament - ninth
WOL - ninth
Sectional - tenth



On his way to a potential pin, sophomore Mike Breitenstein holds his North opponent.

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Positioning himself for a possible takedown, junior Michael Hill prepares to control his opponent in the match against the Eagles.



Using all his muscle, co-captain Les Kidd attempts an escape from a Bellbrook wrestler.



season in spite of injuries

Wrestlers got off to a strong start with four straight victories in 1978, but '79 showed a change of luck. During the Holiday Tournament three varsity wrestlers became temporarily disabled. "If it hadn't been for all the injuries, we could have easily had an 8-2 record," commented co-captain of the team, Paul Sommers.

In spite of the injuries, the Dragons placed ninth in the tournament. Several of the wrestlers went on to place in the finals. Ken Harper placed third, Paul Somers and Tim Manning both took fourth while Chris Waltz brought home a sixth place finish.

With the strong support of the upperclassmen the team managed to finish the season with a 6-4 record. As sophomore Mike Breitenstein put it, "The seniors really helped us a lot by showing us determination, skill and teamwork."

Dragons had trouble going into the WOL with four varsity wrestlers still out. The team finished in ninth place while Somers and John Hoeflinger pulled through with second and fourth places respectively.

After much practice, the team came back with a tenth-place finish in the Sectional meet. Finalists in the meet included Sommers with fourth place, Dan Schmitz, Harper, Waltz with fifth place, and Jim Sharpe came back with a sixth place finish.

Finishing fourth in the Sectional meet qualified Somers for the District competition. Knocked out in the second round of the District meet, Paul finished with a record of 15-8.

"Our young kids showed steady improvement and with nine men returning for next year's team we should have a strong nucleus with which to build a contender," said first-year coach Alan Manning.



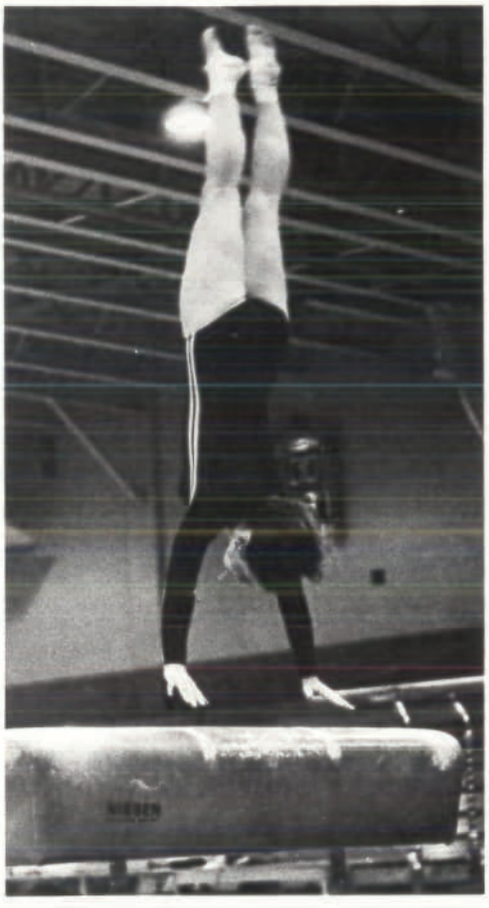
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Senior Mary Bernard performs a front handspring vault in the meet against South.



Arms straight, toes pointed, Laurie Stein performs a front handspring vault in the meet against Fairmont East.



Co-captain Betty Geoghegan executes a pose on the beam to add variation to her routine.



Gymnasts finish fourth

West's gymnasts took fourth place in state competition held in Columbus at Otterbein College. Judy Topp received the title of state champion on the balance beam and captured sixth place in all-around competition, on March third.

On February 3, Coach Gary Gantz and the girls gymnastic team captured the WOL title for the second consecutive year. Judy Topp received first place in all-around competition. Co-captain Betty Geoghegan received second place in floor exercise and sixth on beam.

At Finneytown high school in Cincinnati the district gymnastic meet took place February 24. Forty other schools competed in this meet. The girls received first place with 191.65 points, qualifying the team for state competition in Columbus.

Judy Topp tied for first place in individual competition with Penny Booher from Belmont high school. Both girls received a total of 69 points. Linay Brodbeck placed sixth in all-around competition with Kelly Hartman placing fifth on bars.

During the season the gymnastic team held an exhibition meet at Barnes and Van Buren. The girls did routines and demonstrated different gymnastic skills. In December the girls held a clinic for elementary kids. "It was fun helping the little kids do different gymnastics," commented Mary Bernard.

West's gymnastic team consisted of three seniors, six juniors, and three sophomores. "With only three seniors leaving we will have a strong team again next year," added Laurie Stein a junior member of the team.



Front row: Judy Topp, Linay Brodbeck, Mary Bernard, Betty Geoghegan, Diane Hastings, Vivian VonGruenigen, Kelly Hartman. **Back row:** Gary Gantz, Kim Ruetschle, Cindy Stienlage, Teresa Goff, Cindy Gearhart, Pam Emmons and Linda Berry.

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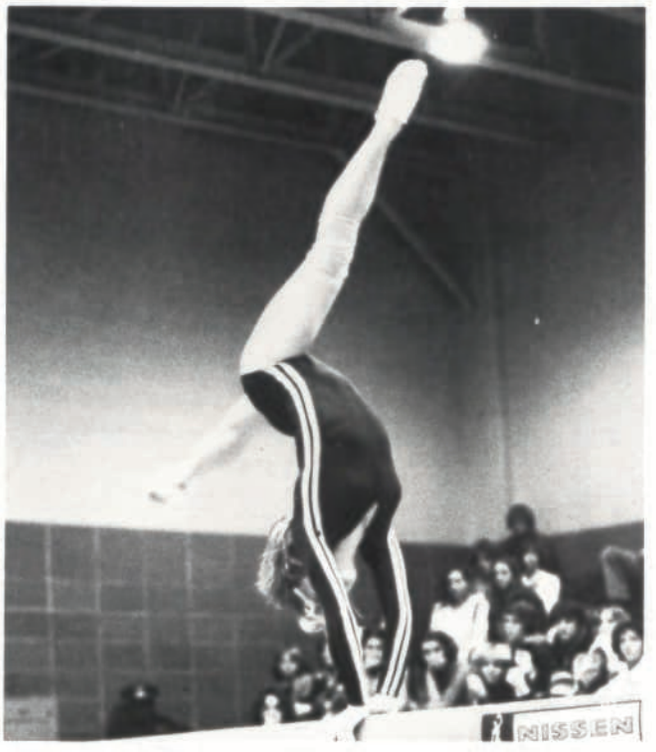
Cindy Gearhart pauses before completing her routine on the uneven bars during the team's warm-up against South.



in Ohio meet at Otterbein



During the meet against Springfield South, Judy Topp performs a needle on the beam.



On the balance beam, Linay Brodbeck performs a front walkover.



GIRLS GYMNASTICS

WEST		OPPONENT
77.80	Trotwood Madison	37.20
97.70	Lakota	92.55
77.75	Beavercreek	73.55
74.50	Springfield North	65.10
76.10	Xenia	58.30
89.00	Springfield South	55.40
87.75	Miamisburg	71.55
87.10	Fairmont East	60.90
88.00	Alter	69.30
88.00	Belmont	81.85

Wins	Losses
10	0

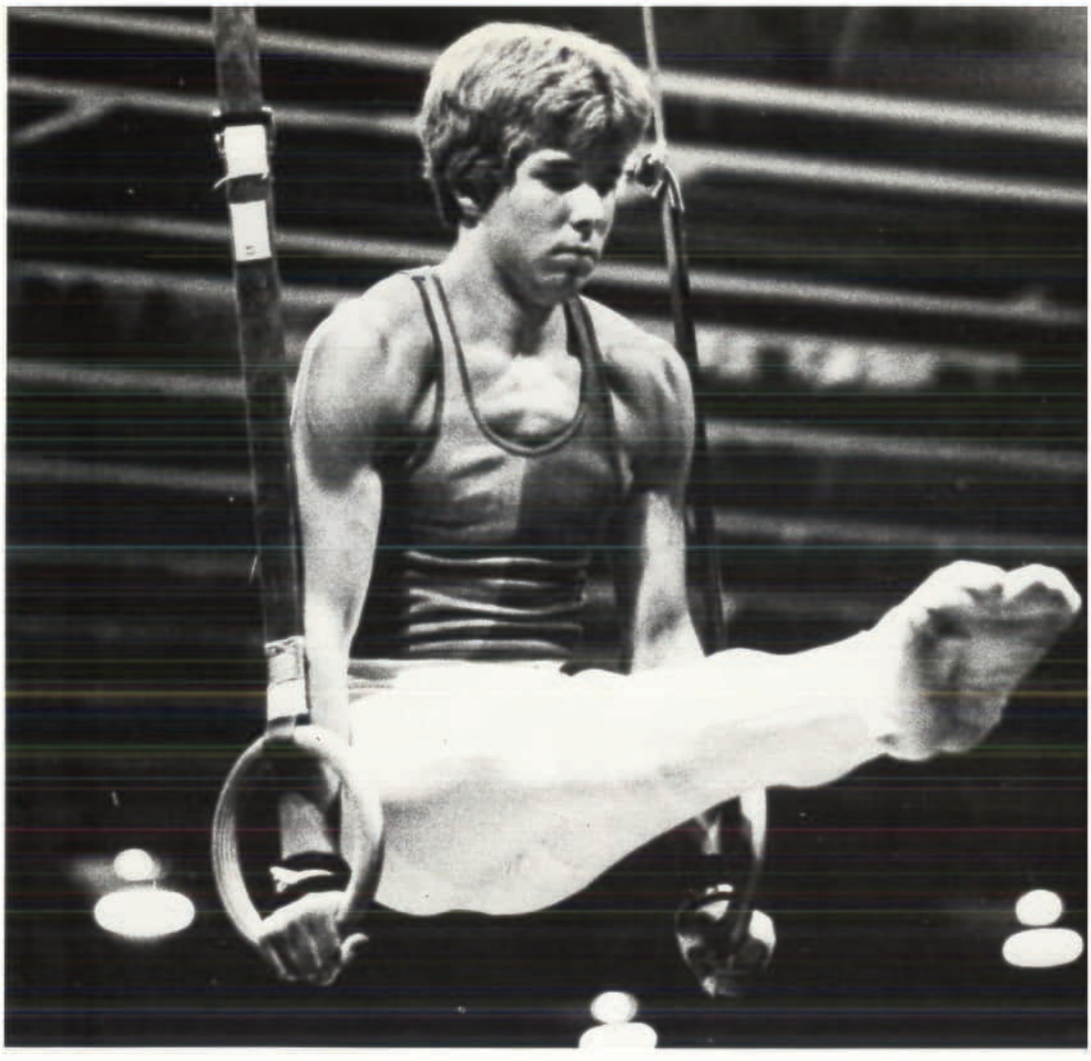
WOL—first
Southwest Ohio District—first
State—fourth

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Form and balance help junior Steve Davis to perform an "L" support on the still rings.

Senior Curt Becker moves through an "L" support position into a drop cast on the parallel bars during a meet against Centerville.





BOYS GYMNASTICS

WEST		OPPONENT
114.65	Trotwood Madison	71.88
118.48	Princeton	96.51
118.48	Sycamore	101.21
118.77	Worthington	143.08
105.16	Beavercreek	95.90
107.48	Springfield North	34.60
109.31	Franklin	145.74
109.60	Xenia	83.52
110.20	Springfield South	81.90
114.89	Miamisburg	127.48
114.89	Troy	136.82
119.93	Centerville	128.49
117.68	Fairmont East	108.16

Wins		Losses
8	Dual Meets	5
5	WOL Meets	2

WOL—fourth
Regionals—fourth

Individuals rank eighth



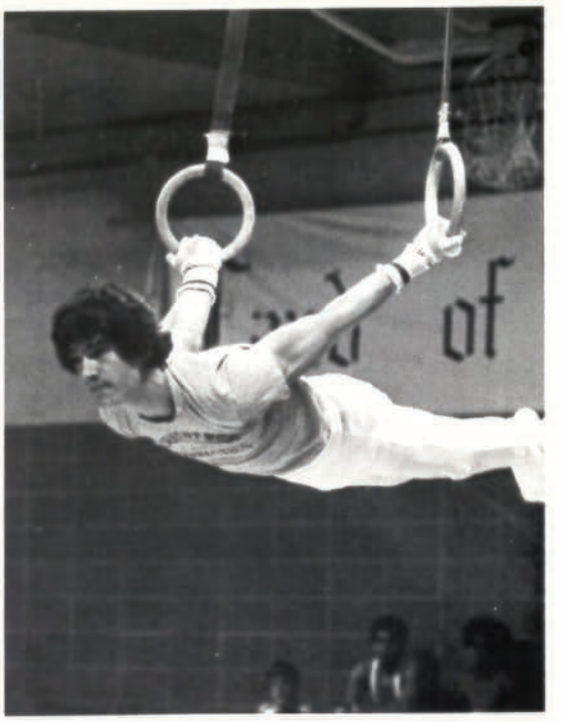
Senior gymnast Jon Boison completes his routine with the splits at the home meet against Trotwood Madison.

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Beginning the scissors motion on the horse, senior Ron Morris performs during the win over Springfield South.

During the meet against Sycamore, Mike Walters performs a back lever.





in state gymnastics meet

For the second year in a row individuals from the boys gymnastics team qualified for competition in the state gymnastics meet. The teams final state ranking placed them eighth.

In the Dayton Regional gymnastics meet, the team finished fourth as a team and qualified five team members for state competition held at the UD Fieldhouse.

Curt Becker, John Boison, Steve Davis, Ron Morris and Mike Walters qualified as individuals. Mike Walters scored ninth on the long horse and teammate Steve Davis placed eighth on the pommel horse.

Ron Morris picked up third on the parallel bars and seventh in all-around and still rings. Ron also qualified ninth place on the horizontal bar.

Curt Becker placed fifth on the parallel bars and sixth on the horizontal bar. He took tenth in the long-horse vault. His teammate John Bioson placed third in still rings and sixth in all-around.

Gene Gilbert, the coach of the boys gymnastics team, stated, "I'd like to see summer programs started through the recreation department so that junior high students can become involved before they reach high school."

Coach Gilbert continued, "The boys in this program have done an admirable job considering the short time they have been involved in the sport. Competition grows better every year. Kettering needs to expand their programs to remain competitive."

Senior captain Ron Morris commented, "Competition in regionals and state was twice as hard as in previous years. Even though we suffered some bad breaks we had good team potential and we established our highest team score record. This year was a great experience."



Front row: Bob Young, John Blue, Bob Jennings, Dave Schairbaum, Jim Miller, John Lasley. **Back row:** Gene Gilbert, Dave Wittoesch, Dave Bradbury, Mike Walters, Curt Becker, Jon Boison, Steve Davis and Jay Brannick.

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Junior pitcher Mark Regginello takes a long stride as he delivers the ball to the plate.



Reaching to catch a throw, Jim Funk stays on first base to get the runner out.



Dragons gain two wins

Poor attitude and low team spirit proved the causes for the Dragon baseball team's slow start. "They almost invented ways to lose ballgames," commented coach Richard West. The turn around came when the Dragons romped Northmont 9–2 in the Spring Sports Medley.

Following Northmont, the Dragons beat Miamisburg 6–1 in a tournament game. Four runs in the first inning and Jim Funk at the mound led the team to victory. "After that game they started to believe they could win again," stated assistant coach Jim Kill.

Victory over Beavercreek, 3–2, gave the Dragons two tournament wins. Coach West felt, "The addition of transfer student Lee Anderson and good leadership from team captain Andy Hawk really helped the team in the tournament victories, and juniors Jim Funk and Mike Flannery have shown good leadership and baseball skills throughout the year."

Many team members played for H&H Industries in the summer baseball league. Junior Dave Klemm related, "Summer baseball gives us a chance to improve our skills. Most all varsity players join."

Assistant coach Kill summed up the season by stating, "It was gratifying to see that once the team got started they proved to be the kind of ball club that the coaching staff knew they could be"



Using a powerful swing, Mike Flannery slugs the ball deep into center field.

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Total concentration shows on Jeff Mays' face as he connects with the ball for a hit.



in separate tournaments



Front row: Bob Suriano, Jeff Mays, Lee Neumeister, Mark Regginello, Tim Black, Steve Kircher, Scott Perkins. Second row: Mike Flannery, Klaus Price, Chuck Docken, Jim Funk, Brian Schlemmer, Dave Hanley. Back row: Richard West, Lee Anderson, Chris Frost, Ralph Kruer, Ken Berry, Andy Hawk, Dave Klemm, and Jim Kill.

BASEBALL

WEST		OPPONENT
8	Columbus Whetstone	7
7	Columbus West	7
4	Beavercreek	14
3	Wayne	2
2	Xenia	10
2	Stebbins	5
5	Cincinnati LaSalle	8
5	DH	11
2	Centerville	3
1	Fairmont East	11
4	Alter	6
9	Northmont	1
8	Oakwood	6
2	DH	4
3	Belmont	5
10	Miamisburg	1
3	Troy	9
7	Springfield South	2

Wins	Ties	Losses
6	1	12

State Tournament

6	Miamisburg	1
4	Beavercreek	3
3	Fairmont East	7

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After following through with her swing Jill Hansel watches the ball.

Keeping her eye on the ball Amy Kruer connects for a base hit.





Girls' softball improves

SOFTBALL

WEST		OPPONENT
4	Carroll	9
2	Wayne	18
19	Colonel White	9
6	Springfield South	7
23	Springfield North	8
8	Miamisburg	7
3	Beavercreek	8
8	Stebbins	15
1	Fairmont East	8
10	Meadowdale	8
6	Northmont	11
4	Stivers-Patterson	1
22	Troy	10
18	Xenia	10
4	Centerville	6
11	Alter	12
Wins		Losses
7		9
	State Tournament	
11	Dunbar	3
7	Belmont	10



At the game against Fairmont East the umpire calls Linda Bailey out.

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Anticipating the pitch, Linda Bailey waits to swing in the game with East.



towards end of season



Front row: Marianne Ruse, Betsy Zatarian, Heather Minnich, Kathy Ochs, Stephanie Seeberger. Row 2: Sharon Swanson, Pam Conley, Kim Ankeney, Beth Wannemacher, Teresa Howe, Barbara Dougherty, Julia Bolton, Linda Lord, Lisa Copenhaver, Anita White, Linda Bailey. Back row: Diana Schwab, Jill Hansel, Teresa Breitenstein, Amy Kruer, Robin Lehman and Mary Kay Dougherty.

Starting with a young, inexperienced team, girls' softball began slow, but progressed towards the end of the season to a 6–3 record. A new team of sophomores lent a helping hand to the girls' softball team. Only six seniors returned. Four juniors rounded out the team. Tryouts began on March 7.

Dragon softball began in April against Carroll. The Dragons lost, but came back to defeat Colonel White. "Good hitting helped us win," stated coach Diana Schwab.

Outstanding season performances came from senior Amy Kruer, sophomore Kim Ankeney and Linda Bailey. Amy accumulated an average of .510 for batting and running. Kim's totaled .500 with Linda's at .488. The teams average for batting; .335.

Their biggest win came over Springfield North 23–8. Their roughest game occurred when they played Centerville losing by a slim margin 4–6. A highlight of the year came in beating undefeated Miamisburg ruining their perfect 4–0 record. They put up a good fight against Northmont, 10–0 losing by 5.

In state tournament action the Dragons beat Dunbar 11–3. Amy Kruer pitched 9 hits, 5 walks and 4 strike outs. Belmont stopped the Dragons tournament play 10–7.

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Girls capture WOL title;

Led by an outstanding senior class, the Fairmont West girls' track team established itself as one of the best teams in the area. The Dragon ladies won their third straight Western Ohio League title in May.

Several broken school records proved the talent of the team. Sharon Anderson notched a new school record in the long jump with a leap of 17 feet, 7 inches. Josie Gill set a new hurdles record with the time of 15.5 seconds. Diana Shannon lowered the mile-run record to 5:37.7.

Pam Herbert, Holly Chandler, Jeannette Paul and Kathy Walthall set a new mark in the sprint-medley relay team with the time of 1:53.2.

In the WOL the medley relay team of Tina Anderson, Chandler, Paul and Walthall captured first place. Other champions in the WOL included Danyle Harvey in the discus and Betty Geoghegan in the high jump.

"We had a fine group to work with this season," stated coach Bob Karl. "All of our success this year goes back to several fine individual and team efforts. I am looking forward to the challenges of a new season."

"We had a young team lacking in experience," stated boys' track coach Bob Kritzer. Some tracksters broke school records and many had very fast personal times in races.

Senior Dean Teaford broke the school 800 meter run with the time of 1:57.5. Tony Scurlock broke the school record in the 400-meter race with a time of :51.1. Scott Weiss held the fastest time in the area in the high hurdles with a time of 14. 9 seconds.

John Smith, Teaford, Scurlock and Weiss qualified for the sectionals in the mile run, half-mile run, 440-yard dash and high hurdles respectively. The 440-yard relay team of Weiss, Mike Janning, Greg Hohl and Pete Cade qualified in the sectional.

Mile relay team members Chris Schelling, Janning, Teaford and Scurlock also qualified in the sectional track meet held at Dayton's Welcome Stadium on May 11, 1979.







Front row: Danyle Harvey, Sharon Anderson, Betty Geoghegan, Josie Gill, Ann Britt, Pam McGarry, Nanette Hieb, Marlene Hauser. **Row 2:** Karen Spettel, Melissa Steadman, Tammy Clark, Jeannette Paul, Kathy Walthall, Barb Till, Holly Chandler, Linay Broadbeck, Kim Prater, Beth Hanning. **Row 3:** Cindy Smalley, Dara Schumacher, Missy Lockwood, Tina Anderson, Jenny Eckely, Pam Herbert, Jenny Dech, Leslie Beyer, Sandy Noe, Megan Lahanas, Brenda Rossel. **Back row:** Jackie Kelly, Tish Wurts, Michelle Fecher, Linda Robertson, Maurene Denty, Lisa Young, Julie Pfaff, Sue Janco, Julie Weinel, Pam Emmons, Diane Shannon, Beth Bernard and Jenny Ackerman.

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Finishing first in the 100 yard dash, junior Greg Hohl out runs Beavercreek opponents.

From beginning to end, senior Kevin Roeckner displays his long jumping abilities.

Straining to break the tape at the finish, junior Tina Anderson places first in the 100 yard dash against Beavercreek.





boys beat Beavercreek



ront row: Doug Overbay, Chris Schelling, teve Parrish, Yale Skipworth, Bob Horwath, ohn Smith, Mike Louis. **Row 2**: Pete Cade, evin Roeckner, Tony Cappadora, Kevin arlan, Scott Weiss, Chris Hohl, John Heck-, Mike Ryan, Tom Horwath. **Row 3**: cott Hickey, Jim Miles, Randy Morton, raig Mayhew, Craig Frost, Doug Baird, Paul omers, Doug Janning, Chan Park, Kevin iller. **Row 4**: Dean Teaford, Ken Greco, eff Yeary, Steve Lemaster, Roger McCready, like Ciesa, Greg Hohl, Ken Harper, Tony urlock. **Back Row**: Dave Greimann and ave Murray.

Clearing the high jump bar by a few inches, Betty Geoghegen stays in the competition.





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Concentration and preparation register on the face of senior Debbie Williamson as she participates in intramural bowling.



Intramural bowlers keep score during the weekly games offered at Poelking Lanes on Wilmington during March and April.



Fighting past Doug Whitmer, Danny Shockey, a member of the championship team, looks for an opening during an intramural game.



Intramurals contribute

First-year intramural adviser, Bob Servis, commented, "This year we had twelve teams come out for intramural basketball. That's the biggest turnout in quite a few years."

Tuesday and Thursday nights the teams, consisting of six players each, met for weekly games. Members from the varsity basketball team volunteered their time to referee.

Championship of the intramural basketball season went to the Animals led by captain Rich Golden. The game went into overtime against the Hooks.

Intramural board members worked along with central unit couselor Mary Fletcher to organize and set up activities with which students got involved. Robin Barnett, Ann Britt, Marlene Ashley and Sue Ioas served as members of the intramural board.

Marlene commented, "Intramurals at West really gets students involved with sports other than just watching varsity games from the sidelines."

Programs that students participated in off the campus had a large number of sign-ups. From March through April students could play a weekly game of bowling for a slight fee at Poelking Lanes on Wilmington.

Raquetball matches started in mid-April. Teams traveled to Circuit Court South weekly to play the sport. Tournaments and leagues made the sports more competitive and lively.

Intramurals adviser Mrs. Fletcher stated, "The only problem with intramurals is to find facilities for the kids to use," she went on to say, "Programs off campus seem to have a larger number of sign-ups and participation than the other intramural sports which are played here at West."



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diverse activities to West



Member of the intramural board, Marlene Ashley and adviser Mary Fletcher work together to organize and set up activities for intramural participants throughout the year.

Getting ready to play intramural raquetball at Dayton Court House, juniors Sue Hubbard and Louise Licata sign up at the desk.



Playing in the championship intramural basketball game, member of the Hooks Doug Whitmer concentrates on guarding.

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Junior varsity doubles player Paul Wharton rallies with a teammate in preparation for a matche against Centerville's Elks.





Netters get third place,

BOYS TENNIS

WEST		OPPONENTS
2	Alter	3
2	Centerville	3
0	Oakwood	5
4	Beavercreek	1
5	Springfield South	0
5	Miamisburg	0
3	Wayne	2
4	Xenia	1
5	Stebbins	0
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Wins		Losses
8		5

WOL—Third

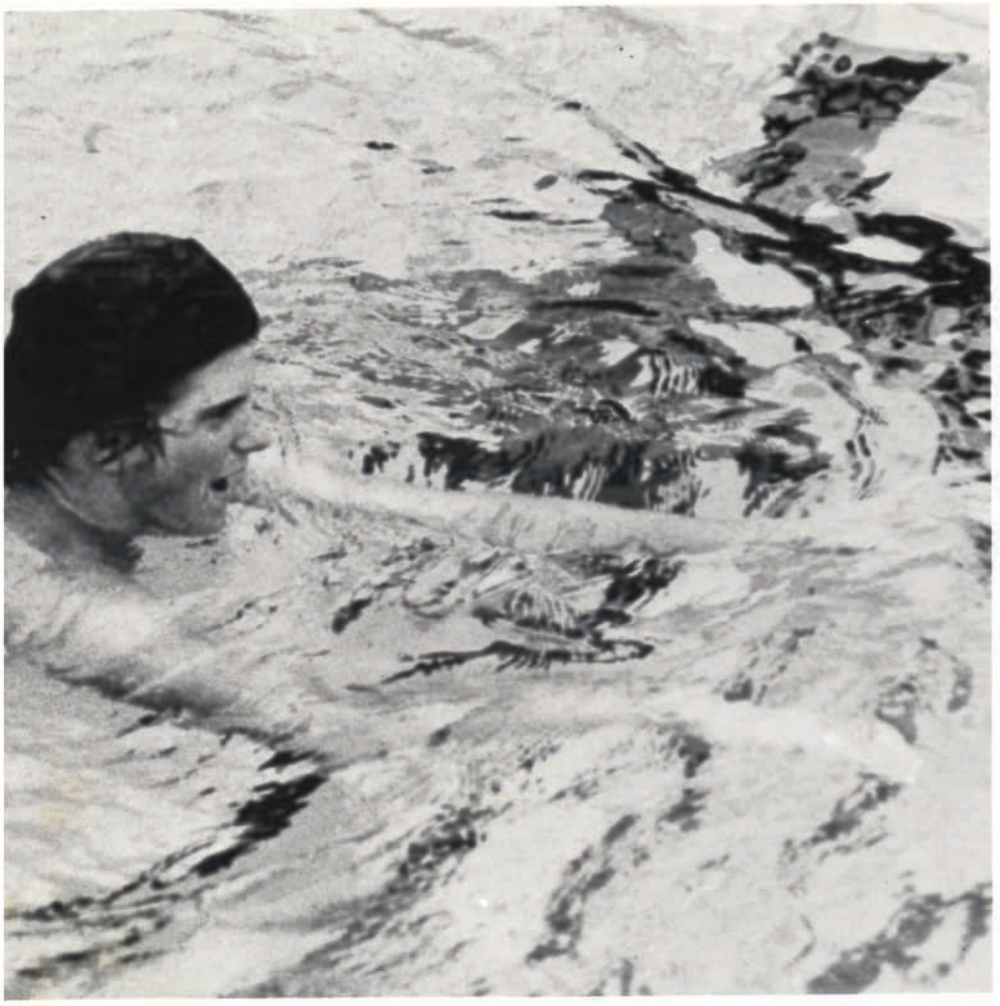




Senior co-captain George Janco, concentrates on a forehand drive in a home match against the Beavers of Beavercreek.

Lunging for the ball, co-captain Terry McAvoy hits a powerful forehand.

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Junior Matt Shampton practices for a meet at Trailsend country club.

swimmers qualify two

In the 1979 season, the boys tennis team finished third in the Western Ohio League. The netmen won six meets and lost three. Against non-WOL teams, they ended the season with two wins and two losses.

Organized practices for boys tennis began after spring break, although many of the boys practiced on their own time throughout the year. After the season actually began, the team practiced each day after school-outside or in the gym.

Coach James Andrews commented, "The number of matches that they won was directly related to the amount they had practiced over the summer and in the winter."

Not only did the team take part in many meets, but they also participated in the Vandalia-Butler tournament. Participation in this included the seven varsity players. The team took second overall.

Four teams competed in the Spring Medley. Participation in this included the same seven varsity players. The team took second place in this competition also.

In addition to this the annual sectional tourney took place. District AAA schools sent three singles players and two teams of doubles to compete. Terry McAvoy was the only player to qualify for Districts.

Though West could not offer an actual swimming team it did not keep students from getting involved in those activities. Adviser James Bazzell commented, "I wish there would be more interest from students in this activity. Everyone who has partivipated in it has done well and some have gone to state."

Boys that qualified for Districts finished as follows: Tom Sawyer in the 100-yard freestyle and the 200-yard freestyle, and Jim McCarthy in the 200-yard individual medley and the 500-yard freestyle.

Girls that qualified for the Districts finished as follows: Marianne Petzold in backstroke at large, and Stacey Turner in breaststroke and backstroke at large.



Front row: George Janco, Terry McAvoy. Row 2: James Andrews, Kevin Bardon, Ken Haber, Lucas Vant'Hoog, Todd Manifold, Jeff Reed, Joe Brooks and Sam Harris. Plants. Back row: Tom Schneider, John

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Ann Halpin, Sue Gath, and Scott Weiss ask questions to a guest panelist during political awareness week.



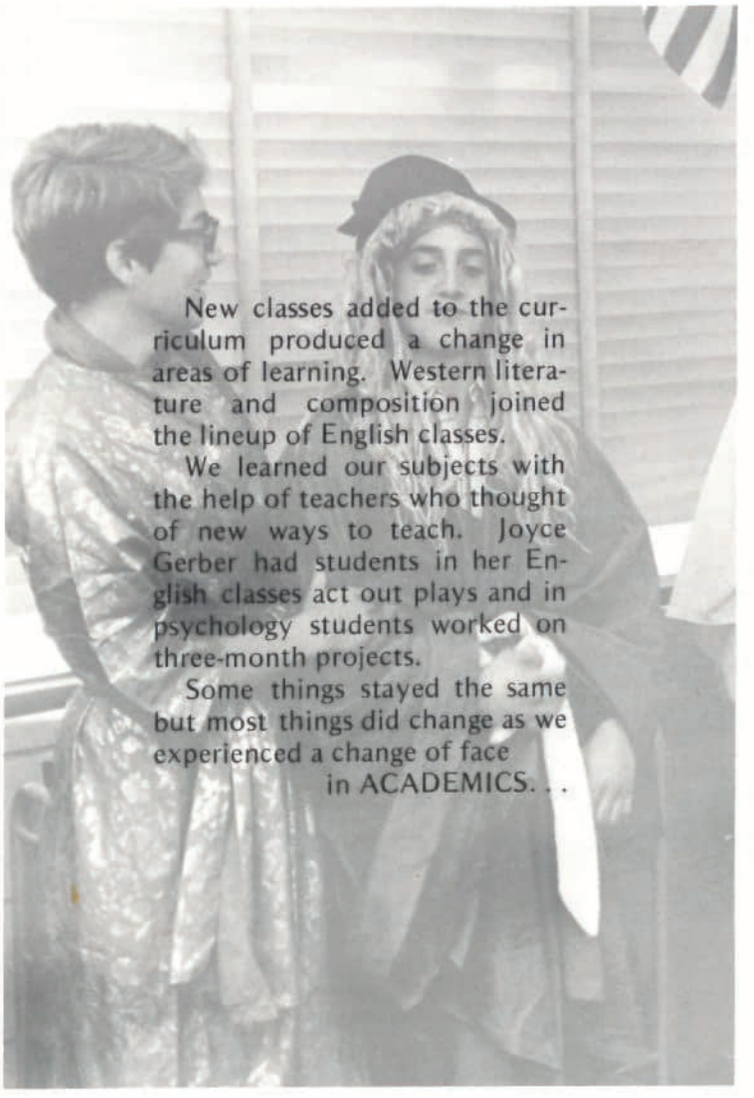


In art class, Christy Pretzinger learns to work with stencils.

A Change of Face in

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ACADEMICS



New classes added to the curriculum produced a change in areas of learning. Western literature and composition joined the lineup of English classes.

We learned our subjects with the help of teachers who thought of new ways to teach. Joyce Gerber had students in her English classes act out plays and in psychology students worked on three-month projects.

Some things stayed the same but most things did change as we experienced a change of face in ACADEMICS. . .

Yale Skipworth and Mike Hill perform characters from the story Canterbury Tales.

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Linguists visit Earlham to complete against clubs

Students visitcd various departments at a foreign language day at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana. Throughout the day students participated in many activities.

During the day the students visited classes and talked to professors from various language departments. French students won prizes in the categories of skits and pronunciation.

French students put on skits and directed games of skill and chance at the French Club "Mardi Gras." One of the skits came from the story "The Little Prince."

Many literary analysis students attended a complementary performance of Ibsen's "A Doll's House" in Blair Hall Auditorium at Sinclair College on November 14. The English department created a two-page style sheet which stated basic correction symbols.

Junior students in Joyce Gerber's English literature and composition class presented their versions of the characters in Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales." Each student had one character to memorize and all used costumes and props to portray the character.

"After just one novice and one varsity meet, the speech team has showed that they are going to be another strong team again this year," stated Greg Kurtz. Kurtz also said, "training for speech is as strenuous as training for any other sport."

Speechers sold Rex Multi-Purpose Cleaner, to raise money to keep the speech department existing. Profits from the project enabled the communication arts to remain at school. The money from the project provided for judges fees and other expenses.

Sponsored by the Senior Class, the fall play involved many speech communications students. John Regan and Amy Diederich shared the lead roles of the production "Kind Lady." Joseph Kuldau directed the production on November 16, 17 and 18.



Greg Kurtz shows his interest in the topic of teenage alcoholism during speech.



Students from Joyce Gerber's first period English class portray their characters from Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales."



Portraying the plowman and the yeoman, Tim Armstrong and Bill Dolphin take time to rehearse their parts in the play.

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ick Bahner concentrates on his next lines
or the monk from "Canterbury Tales."





enior Lori Waites uses gestures and words
convey ideas about prose and criticism.



During French class Karen Dickerson and John Regan act our "Un Jour Au Cafe."

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)ave Thomas instructs his Biology I class, 'hile sophomore Susan Janco looks on.





Central unit guidance counselor, Dick West enjoys the selection of different foods at Mattie Fair's Foods I bi-annual tea.



In order to read his blood type, Chris Harris sophomore in David Thomas's Biology I class prepares to prick his finger.

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Projects for lab classes give practical experience

To start her recipe, Teresa Deters adds ingredients to the mix during second period.



Margaret Hoagland, central unit home economics teacher, taught an interior design and housing class to interested students. The class participated in several projects during the year.

Throughout the course of the class, students became involved with building, decorating and equipping a complete room of a house. This included getting rug, curtain and furniture fabric samples to complete the design.

Jenny Luster a student in the class remarked, "The class showed me just how many details really go into the construction and decoration of any home a person might move to."

Fred Kingrey taught physics and geology classes. He stated, "The kids who enroll in programs like geology and physics are here on their own behalf; therefore, they want to learn."

Geology courses—historical and physical—included field trips to the Armco Steel plant and John Bryant State Park. Other highlights of the classes included the lab work. Students identified rocks and minerals by conducting different tests on them.

Ann Bertolone, a junior who took both of the available geology programs, remarked, "The field trips and labs really are a helpful part of the class. I learned more about geology because of all these opportunities."

Dave Thomas, west unit science teacher, taught Biology I to first-year students in this field. A large part of the biology program dealt with identifying different species.

Sue Hubbard, a junior in Mr. Thomas's first period class, said, "The notebooks and lab work that Mr. Thomas had us do really gave me a more detailed view of biology."

Mattie Fair's second and third period Foods I and II classes learned more than just the basic knowledge of good food and nutrition. They had teas, guest speakers and learned meal planning in the semester class.

Foods I had breakfast and lunch units. They also planned a Christmas tea to which they invited parents and teachers. Foods represented countries of the world. A speaker in Foods II taught how to cook Chinese vegetables.



Sophomore Lisa Hammond analyzes a blood test in her Biology I class.



Foods I and II teacher Mattie Fair explains to prents, friends and other teachers what her students did to prepre a Christmas party.

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Algebra has new project; Econ classes check ads

Math and business departments included many different classes. Dianne Olix had her Algebra III trigonometry students do a new project concerning logarithms. Paul Meyer's consumer economics class did a project which dealt with advertisements.

Eleanor Gallagher taught office practice students about using adding, duplicating, xeroxing and dictaphone machines. Her students learned about filing and payroll accounting. Miss Gallagher also taught personal and clerical typing. Typing students learned typing skills and practiced them.

Pat Reilly taught business law students about various areas of the legal environment. Students learned how to avoid legal difficulties, how to cooperate with lawyers, about contracts, wills, marriage and divorce laws and criminal and civil justice. Mrs. Reilly said, "Business law has a numerous amount of values."

Mr. Meyer's accounting students studied how to keep journal records and the importance of neatness and accuracy in doing so. Mr. Meyer said, "The class would prepare students for entry level jobs in college."

Mr. Meyer also taught consumer economics. His students tested products to determine the validity of the product's advertising. For example students tried several brands of popcorn including Orville Redenbacher's to see which tasted better. They decided Orville's tasted the best although more expensive.

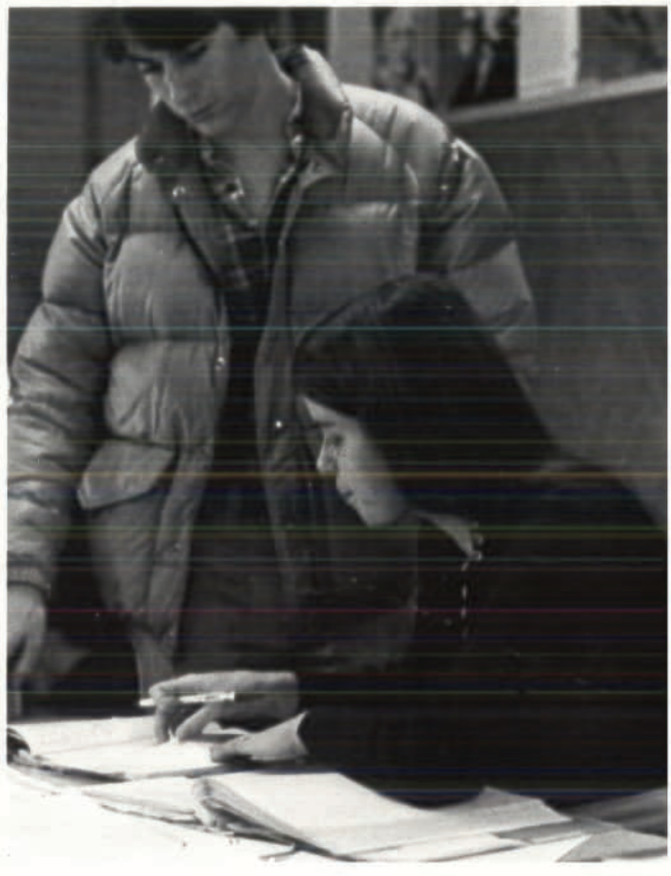
Shirley Bensinger's business math students studied about money problems like taxes, wages, real estate and stocks and bonds. Students made out checks and dept a balanced checkbook. Consumer math class also figured money problems such as interest, buying and renting a house and income tax.

Jerry Neff taught consumer math and said, "It helps students to know how to deal with problems that they'll face after out of school." Mr. Neff also taught math of finance. Students in this class made out tax returns, kept a record of household expenses and learned about depreciation and mark-up.

Students in Barbara Simpson's computer science class learned about programming the Olivetti p602 computer. Students worked individually at figuring out programs. Then students had the enjoyment of seeing the computer work their programs out quickly.

Afterwards students checked with Mrs. Simpson to be sure they did the programs correctly. Sarah May said, "I think that it's an interesting class and I enjoy working on programs. I wish I had more computer time."

Waiting patiently, Joe Kunkel looks on while Barbara Simpson checks one of his programs.







Moving her nimble fingers quickly across the keyboard, Nancy Naylor types a letter.

During fourth period, Ann Britt works programs on the computer.

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Consumer Economics student Scott Brown fries bacon while his classmates test it to see if it lives up to the advertising.

During Jerry Neff's unit on income tax, Carl Olsen and Diane Schepers learn how to fill out a 1040 A government form.





Giving a helping hand to students at West, Kathy Windows and Diane Horvat file income tax returns during first period.

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During psychology class Sandy Copeland and Marsha Cartwright act out a skit displaying the effect of jealously in an office.







Barb Hilty listens while Michael Virelli explains the social changes of young children in a psychology experiment.

During Robert Janes American history class junior Rhonda Combs reports on her family roots back to the early 1800's.

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Social Studies help keep students current on news

Current events played an important role in social studies classes. Debate and oral reports helped to keep the students up-to-date with local, international and world-wide news.

"Trying to find current events made you read both newspapers and magazines and made you aware of what is going on in our society today," commented Anne Miller.

In Ann Frick's American history class students performed an interview with characters in the past history. It gave them insights into what happened back in those times.

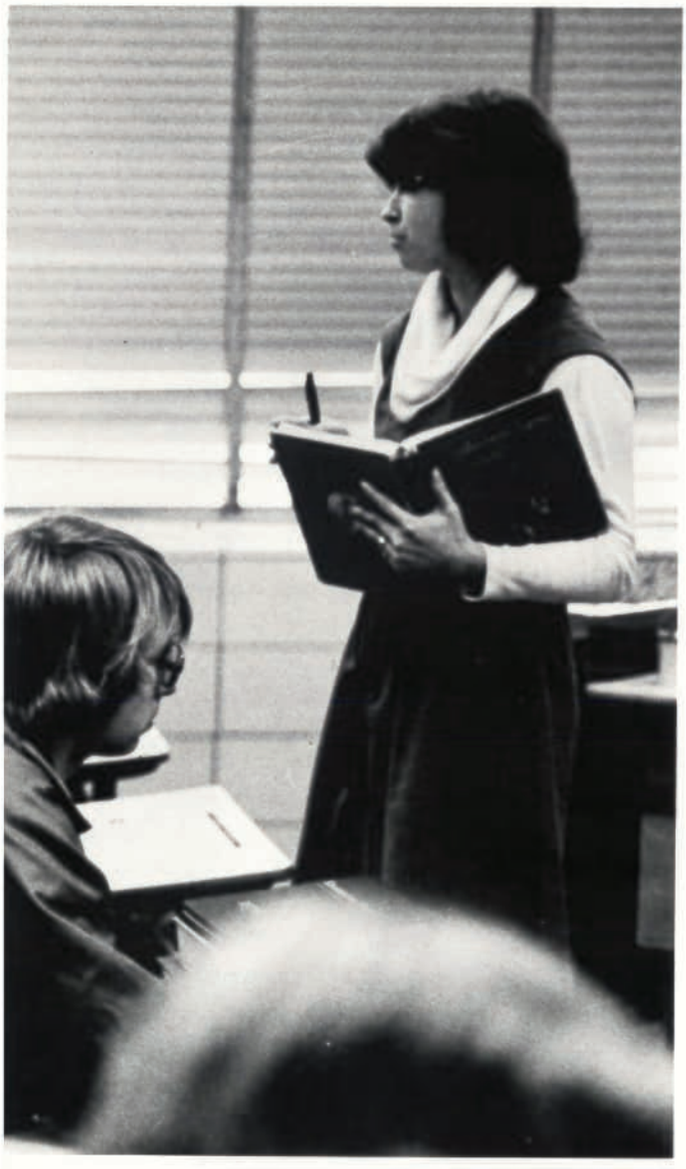
Ben Ankeny's civics classes debated on different issues every week. "Everyone gets involved in Mr. Ankenys debates because they are on controversial subjects," stated Phil Merrill.

Most students in Robert Janes' American history classes spent much time researching and reporting on their ancestry. "It was interesting tracing our roots. I found out alot of interesting facts about our family," junior Rhonda Combs added.

To examine the social changes of young children, Micheal Virelli's psychology class experimented in human behavior by studying the reactions of everyday people. "We gave children different tests ranging in difficulty. It was interesting to see the behavior of young children under stress situations and their reactions," stated Michelle Allen.

In Freda Clark's civics classes the students studied the structure of the government and how it works. "We learned how our government works and how much better our government is than others," said Rich Golden.

Kathy Herdman's American history classes set up countries and declared war on each other. Students learned the difficulties of running a country. "I learned a lot about wars and how they begin," stated Sharon Patterson.



Kathaleen Herdman takes a few minutes to discuss an assignment with students in her second period American history class.



Senior Diane Hastings states important facts about abortion in a debate in Ben Ankney's sixth period civics class.



Seniors Terry McAvoy andMike Oswald use expressions to convey their ideals during a skit in psychology fifth period.

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Industrial Ed introduces new machinery for class

Industrial Education introduced new equipment, two new specialized courses and a new teacher to the students. Machine shop purchased a vertical mill. Drafting expanded with architecture and mechanical drafting courses. Alan Manning taught Woods I and II.

Machine shop students worked on building and operation of machine parts. Many students went on to join machine shops, and some took apprenticeships with tool and die companies. Mr. Ralph Price, machine shop teacher, stated, "With our new mill, the students can be more accurate in their projects."

Students in Drafting I and II learned the proper use of instruments, drawing techniques, auxiliary views and advanced drawings. Atudents that completed drafting I and II could specialize in either one year classes of architecture or mechanical drafting.

Dave Griemann, architect student, remarked, "We make a floor plan for a house and draw elevations, wall sections and two point perspectives of it. We work with the same house all year."

Woods classes concentrated study on skillful operation of tools. Woods III an IV put emphasis on finishing techniques, cabinet making and carpentry. Alan Manning taught his first year of woods. He stated, "In my classes I try to get students to develop good workmanship."

Graphic arts involved students in learning the basics of bookbinding, silkscreen printing and offset printing. Electricity and electronics courses taught the use of electricity to the fundamentals of radio information.

Electronics students visited a local radio station and Wright-Patterson Air Force Base electronics department for more intense study of radio production, and operations.

Stagecraft involved students in designing, sonstructing, and decorating stage settings. Students enrolled in stagecraft produced scenery and props for the two class plays and the musical. The course also educated students in stage lighting and sound maintenance.

Metals class worked with projects in bench and sheet metal, acetylene and electric welding, seaming and rivoting. Metals I required students to build certain projects in welding and wrought iron.

Film processing, contact printing, and darkroom rechniques filled Photography I classes. Photography II experimented with developers, film and new camera techniques. Katie Kramer, photography II student, remarked, "I liked the relaxed atmosphere, it was easy to work in."

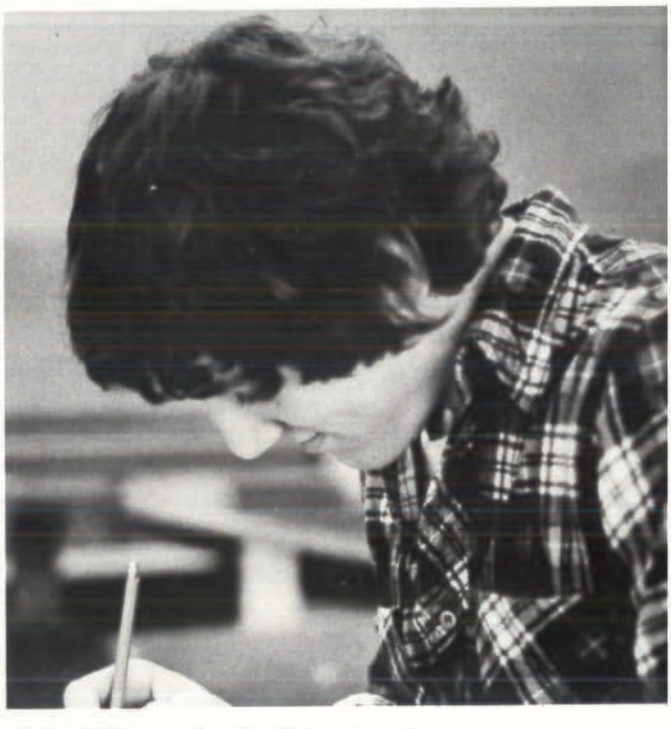
Thomas Finch, drafting and photography teacher, summarized, "I find teaching very satisfying because it's a learning by doing technique for the student. I can tell exactly how much a student knows by his performance."

Woods student Larry Trittschuh sets wood to make a set of raised panels.





Mike Jaeger tests flame before starting his welding assignment for metals class.



During fifth period, Mike Walters experiments with drafting equipment.

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Machine shop student Robert Goe uses a vertical mill to insure accuracy in his work.





While preparing her silkscreen stencil, Dani Heavner seeks assistance from Bill Martin.



As Steve Bull completes his silkscreen project he takes time to clean the screen.

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In printing class, senior Juanita Hott uses her skills while working on a printing press.

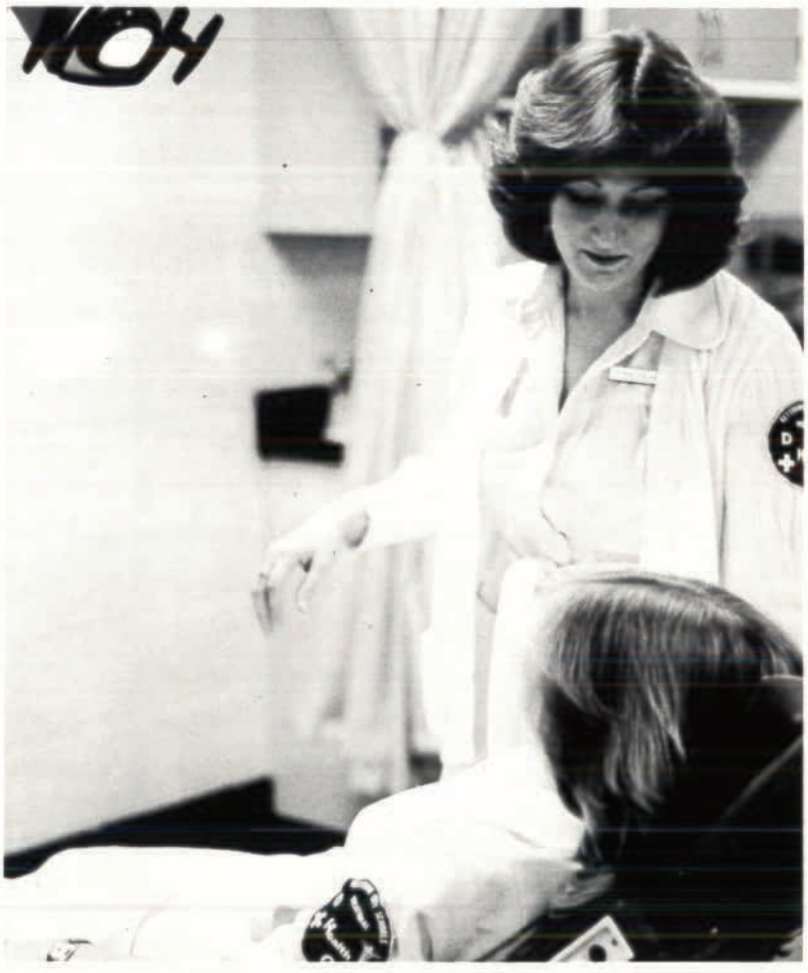


Brenda Hamilton demonstrates her knowledge of general patient care as she takes Shana Young's pulse during a lab class.





Senior Al Davis observes while Jeff Wilkinson replaces an air cleaner.



Dental assistant Cindy Phillips prepares Jenna Beck for some mouth x-rays.

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New equipment includes photo printing processor



Shari Reed sorts freshly printed cards in senior level graphic communications.

Accompanying the new juniors in the Graphic Communications department of the Vocational program, an additional machine broadened the field of study. The POS ONE provided students with the capability to witness the operation of the photo to photo process through a computer.

Students learned photo-offset lithography, a major printing process involving layout and design, composition, mechanical layout, photography, platemaking, press operation and bindery as juniors. Seniors reinforced knowledge and studied intricate aspects of printing.

Designed as an in-plant printing shop, the senior year of the graphic program allowed students to take a printing job from its beginning to its completion. Tasks included work for area school directories, programs, tickets and other stationeries.

Diversified health occupations combined anatomy, nursing skills, physiology, medical ethics, public relations and other related topics preparing pupils for medical careers. The basic units of training familiarized students with duties executed by nursing, medical lab, dental and medical assistants.

Throughout the coupled years of clinical education, a fully equipped laboratory furnished students with the ability to simulate the use of all kinds of machinery. Uniforms worn four days out of each week characterized the attempt to act as an assistant.

Administering general office education, the clerical sector covered areas from typing and filing to accounting, statistics, inventory and other affiliated services. Using skills to aid area companies, wearing office attire in the classroom weekly, and senior cooping gave students good experience.

Auto mechanics offered a general insight into various makes of automotive systems to the juniors studying this field. Seniors concentrated on a specialized topic of their choice.

While working on cars that belonged to students and teachers, the student mechanics reparied electrical, lubrication and suspension systems, to name only a few of the tasks performed. A three hour lab allowed pupils time to practice skills after a 45 minute classroom instruction each day.

State and school funds paid for equipment and provided individual tool boxes. After completion of the course, graduates progressed into related jobs. John Grasso commented, "It's a good field whether you decide to become a mechanic and work on cars or to be involved in the business part of it."

This field of study, along with the others offered in the Vocational program prepared students for types of jobs available in a chosen area of study. Juniors covered the generalities of a subject, seniors pursued knowledge in selected areas, improving skills and working with advanced apparatus.

Seniors meeting requirements obtained jobs through placement during the concluding nine weeks of that year for on-the-job training. A 45 minute class instruction preceded dismissals and regular lab work daily. Students from Oakwood, Centerville, Fairmont East and West took part in the two year programs.



Reviewing the corrections to be made on a business letter, senior Teri Reigelsperger finishes a general clerical assignment.

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Students receive income in co-op work programs

"Students earning and learning," the motto of OWE occupational work experience program holds true for its students. They attend classes in the morning and hold an afternoon job.

Bruce Hobbs, Gary Gantz and Gene Gilbert headed the program in wnich sophomores and seniors participated. Two classes, Mr. Hobbs's and Mr. Gantz's held class from 7 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. Mr. Gilbert's class met at the regular school time and left for their jobs at 11:20.

In the classroom, students learned practical education, working with job applications and taxes. They found work in places such as The Inn and the Peasant Stock Restaurant.

Students interested in office work joined COE, the cooperative office education program. Classroom work, which took the first part of the day, consisted of training in filing, typing and bookkeeping tecniques.

Members of COE held jobs in office occupations. These jobs included help in the school's main office, in the downtown Winters National Bank and with the L.M. Berry Company.

DCT, diversified cooperative training program, provided seniors with vocational training on a cooperative basis They attended morning classes dealing with comsumer economics.

During the second half of the day, students participated in occupational activities. Members worked in places such as Vagabond Creations and Astro Industries Incorporated.

DECA, distributive education clubs of America, consists of a co-op program teaching retailing and marketing. Members found work at such places as Sears and Far Hills Pharmacy.

During the past year, DECA took place in a contest in sales demonstration. Five people from DECA placed high enough for state competition. Russ Kenney took first place. Tom Miller took a second place. Dave Myer along with Amy Reigelsperger and Chris Campbell placed first in team management competition.

Moneymaking projects consisted of candy sales and taking inventory at Elder Beermans. DECA President Dave Myer commented, "The biggest advantage of DE is that it helps the students get a head start on the working world and earn spending money."

At her DECA job station, Terri McKinniss checks out food items at Bob's Warehouse.





Diversified Cooperative Training member Lee Zimmerman works part-time making stationery at Vagabond Creations.

As part of his OWE training, Bryan Seitz washes dishes at The Peasant Stock.



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Occupational Work Experience member Butch Marshall buses tables at The Peasant Stock in the Cobblestone Shops.





COE member, Vickie Manness works in the Moraine Government Center.



Senior Russ Berk prepares food for a customer at his job station, The Inn.

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Carl Folcher listens to a tour guide tell about the "Journal Herald's" printing process during the journalism class field trip.

During fifth period Crafts I class, Fred Von Gruenigen demonstrates how to use a potter's wheel with its tools.







In the library, Sharon Sisco refers to the card catalogue while searching for a book.

During art class, junior Karla Foley sculptures a clay mug before it gets fired.



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Dropped enrollment cuts library's spending money



Farimont West's library cut its spending money with the lowering student population. The library received a certain amount of money for each student and budgeted it for certain necessities such as new books.

Making the library easy to use presented problems to librarian, Elizabeth Norton, and assistant Librarian, Dale Hamilton, as they spent much of their time organizing books and card catalogues.

David Smith, George Liston and Fred Von Gruenigen enhanced many students' artistic talents like Leslie Hammond who stated, "The program has a lot to offer like fine teachers and good workshops with a nice working atmosphere."

Dropped enrollment didn't hurt the success of the art department. "The smaller classes do not hurt the quality of the department a bit," stated Fred Von Gruenigen, "We are able to improve the students finer talents."

Lowered enrollment stopped all of the new equipment supply like kilns and tools, but no cutbacks stopped the supplies like paper and paint. All the areas of the art department like crafts, portraiture, and drawing and painting, remained seperated to give better backgrounds.

Visiting the "Journal Herald" printing office highlighted the semester journalism course. The tour enabled students to acquire a first hand look at what goes on behind the doors of a newspaper printing office.

Not only did the students learn how to print newspapers, but Judy Logan improved their weaker skills in column writing, reporting and advertising. Carl Folcher stated, "I enjoyed learning about different writing techniques that are used."

Sandy Ackerman taught the skill of radio announcing and writing in radio broadcasting class. She helped the performance of WKET by teaching the disc jockeys' about radio skills.

Phil Bergstedt said, "Being a disc jockey helps me have a broad basis for broadcasting in general. My experience in disc jockeying has opened many fields of work for me even if I don't become a disc jockey."

Library helper Bob Silverii searches for a definition in the unabridged dictionary.





Carving and smoothing, Mary Bernard puts the final touches on her flower pot.

Julie Lyons, Sue Cates and Debbie Shaffer help each other study in the library.

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Musicians give concert for students of fifth grade

Many students participated in musical education classes which consisted of band, orchestra, music theory and chorus. Orchestra and chorus for the first time held an evening concert on May 30. A new concert for all Kettering fifth graders also occurred.

Music theory students learned about basic fundamentals such as notes and cords during the first quarter. Wesley Haines taught fundamentals since not all students had had any musical experience. This necessary knowledge helped them in their work later.

When the students learned these essentials they spent the rest of the time writing their own music. After the students wrote the compostition they got the thrill of hearing their music played by a music group that Mr. Haines had arranged to come visit.

While they listened they taped their music. Later they played the pieces back and critiqued them. Mr. Haines commented, "It's one of my most enjoyable classes. I enjoy helping the students write and enjoy hearing the sounds that they put down on paper.

Mr. Haines also taught symphonic and stage band. These students prepared their music for concerts and performances. James Kays directed the Marching band for the second year. Marching band members did most of their practicing during the summer and fall for the half-time of the many football games.

Orchestra students practiced and prepared for preformances given at Christmas and at other times during the year. Their director, Donald Detrick said, "Sixth period orchestra class, what a way to end the day!"

Singing enthusiastically, chorus students excercised their voices. Chorus consisted of girls quartet, mixed choir, and treble choir. They practiced for the Christmas performance and other concerts. Gene Seeburger chose the cast for the musical "Where is Charlie."



Chorus students practice some songs while Gene Seeberger directs them.



Orchestra students rehearse for the musical.
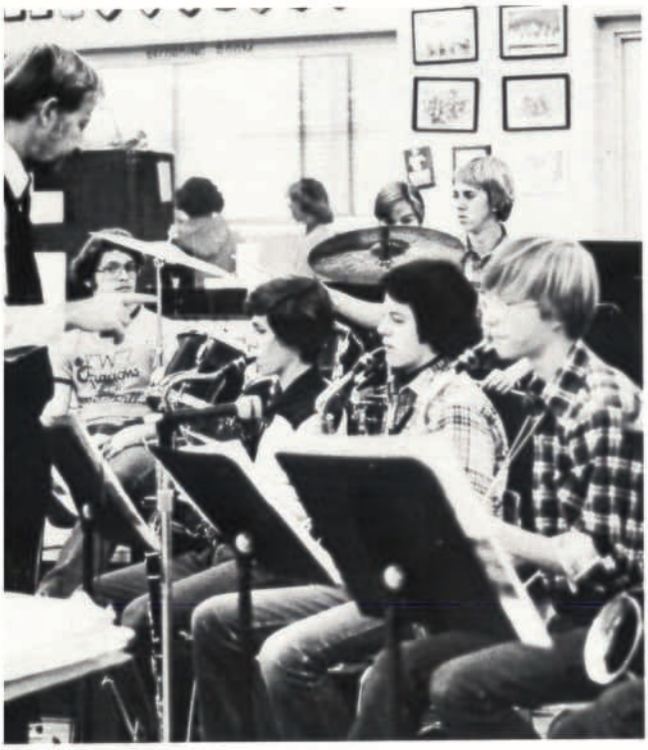




Chorus members prepare songs for the orchestra-chorus concert.

Cindy Bowden plays flute while practicing for concert in February.

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Stage band members prepare for their upcoming February concert.



Music theory students Michelle Meininger, Cindy Bowden, Julie Christopher compose.





Wesley Haines, Jim Weyrauch and group play pieces written by music theory students.

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Warming up with a Dragon lap, Mark Spinks, James Miller, Julie Weinel and Barb Till prepare for gym class.





Kathy Moellering practices her driving skills fifth period in the simulator.



Sophomores Lisa Copenheaver and Barbara Dougherty practice correct fency techniques learned in physical education class.

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Students in gym class enjoy relaxed dress code

Eliminating school gym suits from the required dress in physical education brought about a change for students. For the first time girls and boys wore shorts and T-shirts. Sophomore Debbie Shumard felt, "Being able to wear my own gym clothes is a big change for the better."

Another new addition to the department included a course on CPR. Sherwin Bowser stated, "Because of the emphasis on spreading the knowledge of being able to provide CPR, this will be an excellent opportunity for many students."

Bowling opened up to more students than ever because a high number of sign-ups showed much interest in the sport. School buses transported students to and from the bowling lanes during their gym class.

Students chose table tennis, archery and badminton as a part of physical education requirements. Coed volleyball also interested more students this year than girls or boys volleyball. Declining interest reduced wrestling to half of its original size.

Drivers education contained more students than usual and four hour classes on Saturdays opened up to accommodate the overflow. Everyone still got the required eight hours of riding in a car or driving on the road.

Several people involved in drivers education spoke to the classes on laws and driving techniques. A special speaker, traffic engineer, Bob Wert, presented certain facts on road conditions. Students sat in on traffic court which helped them to form their own driving law views.

During second period gym class, sophomore Richard Lowe begins to work out in nautilus on the military press.

Drivers Ed students prepare for a manuevering course on the range as Richard Hoppe gives some last-minute directions.



Beating her opponent in ping-pong, Kristin Smith uses her backhand shot.



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Four courses reach out to aid student differences

Three courses at Fairmont West that reached out and helped people in different ways included guidance, learning disabilities, and special education. The community service project enabled seniors to learn about human values while aiding the community at the same time.

Guidance provided help in making decisions concerning life choices and individual experiences. Each counselor conducted the guidance classes. Speakers from the Navy, Army, and Marines informed students concerning their specific field.

Sophomores had guidance in three separate three week periods. For their first three weeks they had an orientation to help them adjust to a new school. Juniors met four days during the year to find out what dates they could take the ACT and SAT.

June Passaniti taught learning disability classes. She spent most of the classtime on reading also covering civics, English and American history. Her largest class had six students. "Each student recieves alot of individual help," stated Mrs. Passaniti.

Central unit teacher Rosemary Brown taught special education classes. Her students included sophomores, juniors, and seniors. She taught English, math and social studies. Her students also took typing and various home economics classes.

Mrs. Brown commented, "The work study program is great and the students enjoy it." During their junior year the have the opportunity to study for half of the day and work on a job the rest of the day. Seniors could work all day if they wanted.

Community service enabled seniors interested to serve their community and learn at the same time possible. The course took two periods per semester for a minimum, or two periods for the whole year. Each student had to provide their own transportation to their job.

Kettering Hospital, elementary schools, and SISCA Animal shelter included just a few places where the seniors worked. Senior Pam McGarry stated, "I like working in the community service program since I enjoy working with young kids." Pam worked at Orchard Park Elementary school in her fourth and fifth periods.



Tutoring a student at Orchard Park school, Dan Brownfield points out syllables.



Reading instructions to students, June Passaniti assigns study problems.



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Listening to June Fellows, sophomore Teresa Johnson receives results from the ACT test she took in the fall.

While reading a book, Michelle Henry studies during second period in 113.







During fourth period, Pam McGarry points out the pronunciations to an elementary student at Orchard Park school.

Reading off spelling words from a previous test, Rosemary Brown helps her students with some of their mistakes.

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At Christmas time some juniors get their pictures taken with Santa Claus.



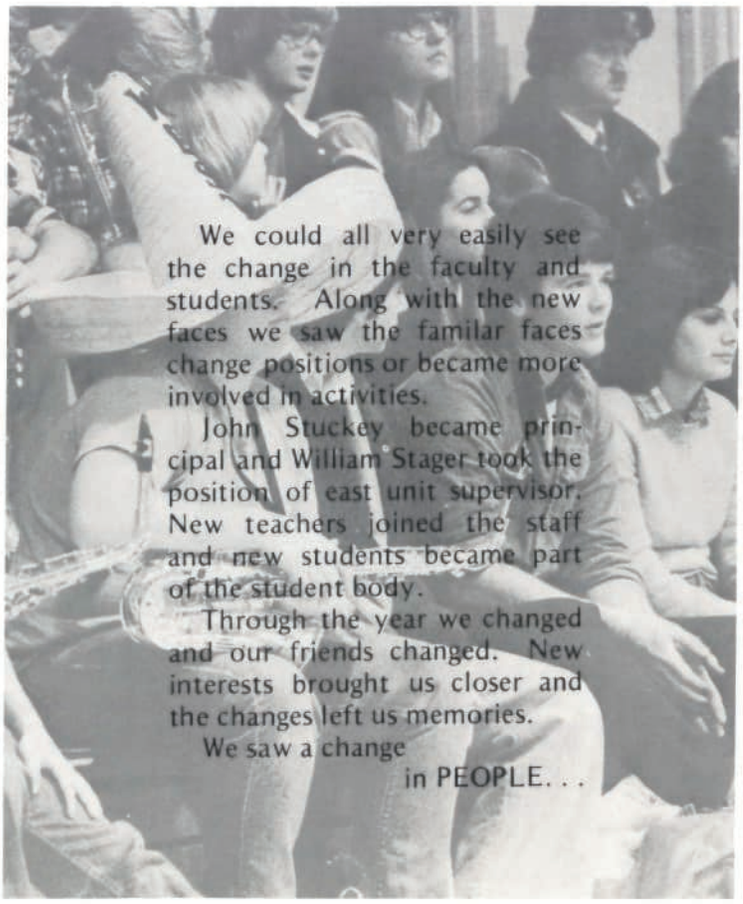


James Bazzell and James Larson take time for lunch during fourth period.

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PEOPLE



We could all very easily see the change in the faculty and students. Along with the new faces we saw the familar faces change positions or became more involved in activities.

John Stuckey became principal and William Stager took the position of east unit supervisor. New teachers joined the staff and new students became part of the student body.

Through the year we changed and our friends changed. New interests brought us closer and the changes left us memories.

We saw a change in PEOPLE. . .

While performing at one of the basketball games, the pep band spends a few minutes watching the progress of the game.

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General motors closing affects Kettering

Kettering's City School District will be greatly affected by General Motor's closing its Frigidaire operations due to the loss of both real and tangible personal property taxes.

This firm contributed to the Kettering school districts $22 million operation budget. The Moraine plant had a tax assessment of $14,496,265. It paid $611,839 in real estate taxes in which Kettering and West Carrollton schools shared $473,933.

Superintendent John Lucas learned that General Motors would ask for a 50 percent reduction in the real estate tax as soon as the plant closed to business. The impact of such a reduction could affect schools in 1980.

"If White Industries operates the warehouse some of the tax money will add to the revenues lost," said John Lucas. "If they vacate the plant, however, we could receive little or no tangible personal property taxes. The district will have to make program cuts to operate within reason."

Reductions in the level of services, maintenance and repair will occur. One of the two Rolling Fields in 1980 will close. A possiblility of closing one of the remaining junior highs could result or a close of one unit in each Fairmont West and East.

Lucas also stated, "We could move the freshman up into our high schools leaving the seventh and eighth graders for the junior highs. No more elementary schools will be closed, however."

It could happen that the Kettering school district would have to go to the voters to levy a tax boost to help the low income. Even if the voters would pass a new school tax levy, the money would not become available until a later date.

Board of Education members consisted of Donna Moone, president; Richard DeLon, vice-president; Berthe Weist, clerk; Virginia Savino; Dale Chandler and Darrell Carter.

John Stuckey assumed duties as principal this year. He took added extra responsibilities with the elimination of vice-principal. Mr. Stuckey stated, "Since there is more responsibility, I have to be more aware of what is going on."

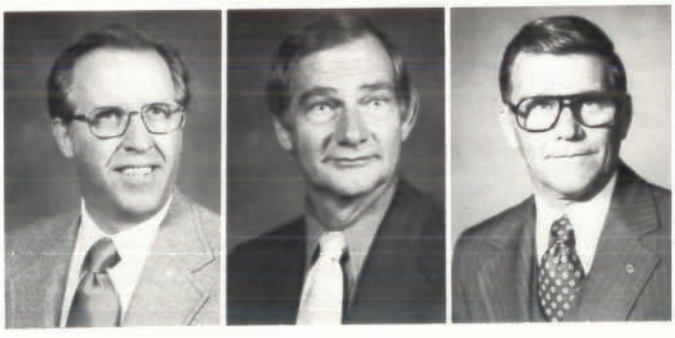
Frank Spolrich and John Larson took over some of the vice-principal's duties. Mr. Stuckey covered the rest. These responsibilities included master scheduling, early graduation, registration, drivers education, vocational education and taking identification photos.

Performing his morning task, John Stuckey greets the student body during morning announcements for homerooms.





Board of Education-Seated: Virginia Savino, Donna Moon-president, Berthe Weist-clerk. **Standing:** Dale Chandler, Richard DeLon-vice-president and Darrell Carter.



John Lucas—Superintendent of Kettering Schools. **Dr. Roger McCormick**—assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction. **Paul Wagner**—assistant superintendent of personnel and community relations.

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James Bazzell—BS-Wittenberg University, MA-Wittenberg; west unit supervisor; swimming adviser, NHS; hobbies-ceramics, aquariums. **Ellen Beck**—AA-Brandywine College, BS-University of Dayton; Shorthand I, general clerical; hobbies-sewing, bowling. **Dale Berry**—BS-Miami University; DE; DECA adviser; hobbies-family recreation. **Sherwin Bowser**—BS-King's Colle, MA-Columbia University; athletic coordinator, physical education chairman; hobbies-sports, travel. **Karl Bremer**—BS,MS-Wright State University; American lit and comp, science fiction, reading lab; WKET adviser, assitant cross country coach; hobbies-running, biking.

Rosemary Brown—BS-Oklahoma State University, special education; DD Parents' group; hobbies-travel, Tai Chi, dance, crafts. **Carol Buehner**—central unit secretary. **Joan Burns** French 10,11,12, III,IV; French club adviser. **Mary Elizabeth Carr**—BS,MA-University of Dayton; east unit counselor; hobbies-travel. **Freda Clark**—BS-Eastern Illinois University; civics, social problems, hobbies-gardening, antique collecting, traveling.

Joan DeLon—BS-College of Wooster; American literature, literature of war, Shakespeare; hobbies-piano, sewing. **Donald Detrick**—BM-Ohio Wesleyan, Miami University; orchestra; Regional All-State orchestra chairman. **Phil Drayton**—BS,MA-University of Dayton; social problems, world geography. **Frances Eden**—BS-University of Dayton; physical education, assistant athletic coordinator; volleyball coach; hobbies-camping, travel, history. **Frank Estevez**—BS,MA-Wright State University; DCT, audio visuals; high school football official; hobbies-reading, jogging.

Mattie Fair—BS-University of Kentucky; Foods I,II. **June Fellows**—AB-Cornell College, MA-Wright State University; west unit counselor; faculty social comittee chairman, Kettering Youth Commission; hobbies-travel, sports, bridge. **Thomas Finch**—BS, MA-Miami University; photography, drafting; photography club adviser; hobbies-photography. **Mary Fletcher**—BS-Miami University, MA-University of Dayton; central unit counselor; girls intramurals adviser. **Ellen Follett**—BS-Eastern Nazarene College, MA-Boston University; American literature, basic literature; ski club adviser; hobbies-painting, hiking, camping, skiing.

John Freeman—BS-Otterbein College, MA-Miami University; DHO II; head athletic trainer; hobbies-camping, athletics. **Anne Frick**—BS-College of Wooster, MA-Miami University, American literature, American history; girls' field hockey coach; hobbies-sewing, sports, antique collecting. **Charles Fry**—BS-Lincoln Memorial University, MEd-Miami University; health, physical education. **Eleanor Gallagher**—BS-Wittenberg University, MEd-University of Cincinnati; office prattice, Typing II; FBLA adviser; hobbies-bridge, antique collecting. **Gary Gantz**—BS-Ohio University, MEd-Wright State University; OWE; girls' gymnastics coach.

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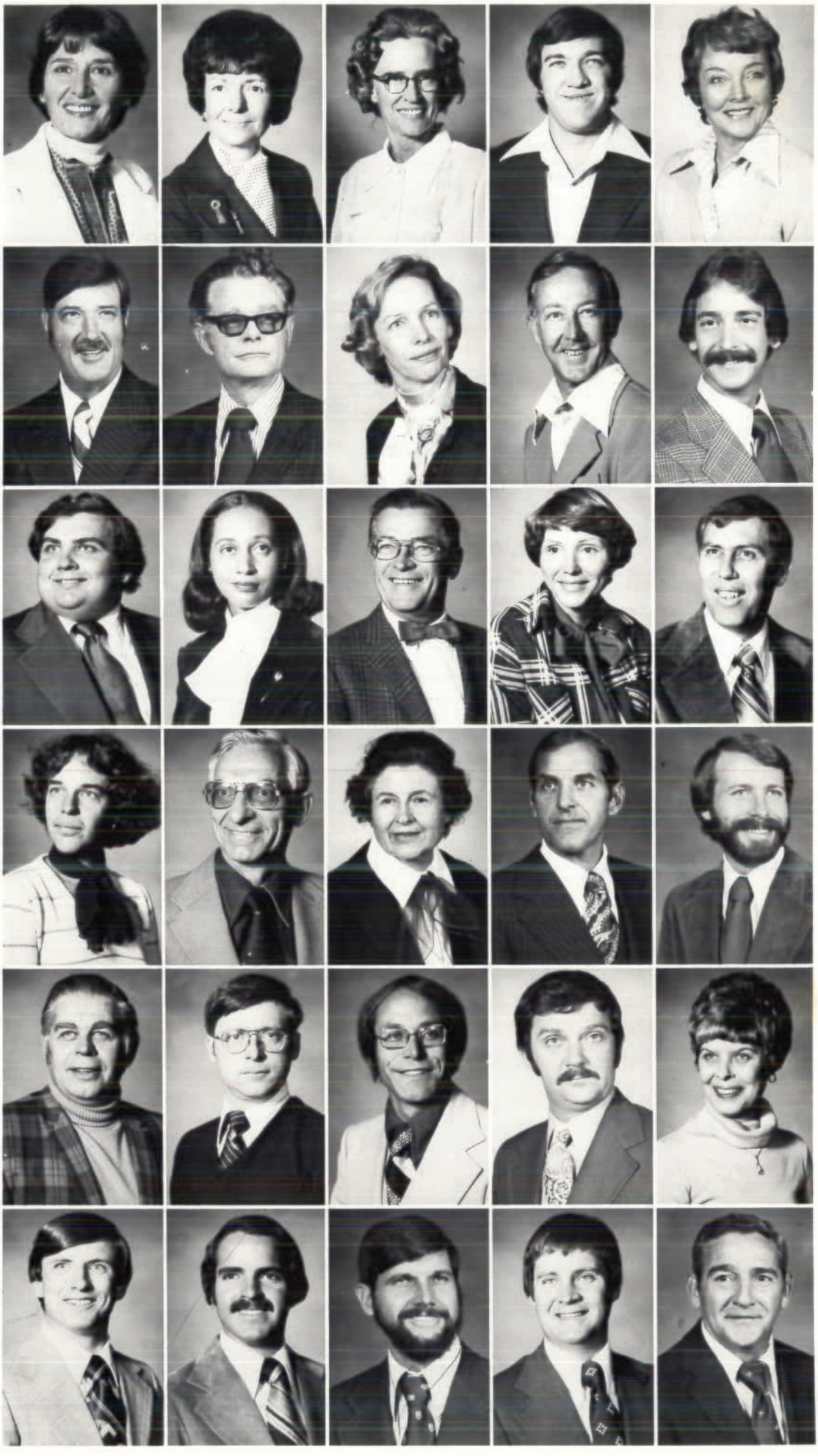
Wylie Graham—BS-Geneva College, MEd-Ruliana University; drivers education, audio visuals; hobbies-coins, stamps, traveling, fishing. **Charles Graves**—biology. **Pattie Gulling**—BS-Miami University, MA-University of Dayton, literary analysis and advanced compostion, magazine writing, fiction, American literature and composition. **Wesley Haines**—BS-Wilmington College, MA-Miami University; music theory, band; stage band director, assistant football marching band director; hobbies-sports, playing music, carpentry. **Dale Hamiton**—BS-Western Kentucking University; librarian; Spanish club.

Timothy Hamilton—BS-Miami University; Power Mechanics II,III,IV, Woods II. **Linda Harrison**—BS-OSU, MA-Miami University; Spanish I,II,III,IV; AFS adviser; hobbies-reading, sewing, needlepoint. **Milburn Hinds**—BS-Ohio Northern University, MS-Miami University, Biology I,II. **Peg Hoagland**—BS-Kent State University; Clothing I, II, independent living, marriage and family living, housing design; hobbies-sewing, reading, outside activities. **Bruce Hobbs**—BS-Iowa Wesleyan College; OWE; head basketball coach; hobbies-fishing, camping, collecting.

Susan Holloway—BS-University of Dayton; chemistry; assistant junior high track coach; hobbies-tennis, reading. **Hans Holztrager**—BS, MEd-Miami University; metals, woods; hobbies-boy scouts, church, gardening, engine repair. **Frances Homer**—BS, MEd-University of Pittsburgh; Clerical Typing I, personal typing; hobbies-cooking, sewing, bridge. **Richard Hoppe**—BS-Ohio Weleyan University, MA-Miami University; drivers education; drivers ed department chairman; hobbies-coaching football. **Joseph Horan**—BS-Eastern Kentucky University, MA-University of Dayton; Woods I,II,III,Iv, Drafting I; hobbies-golf, bowling.

Robert Janes—American history. **David Johnson**—Electronics II,III,IV, stagecraft. **Robert Karl**—BS, MEd-Allegheny College; American history, world history; girls' track coach, line lady adviser; hobbies-playing guitar, running, reading, cooking, antique collecting, drama. **James Kays**—BS-University of Louisville, instrumental music; marching band adviser. **Wilma Kerekesh**—east unit secretary.

James Kill—BS-Ohio State University; plane geometry, enriched geometry, individual plane geometry; cheerleader adviser, FCA adviser, assistant baseball coach; hobbies-sports. **Jeff King**—BS-Miami University; trigonometry, basic math, Algebra I; backpacking club adviser, sophomore class adviser, girls'basketball assistant, girls' golf coach; hobbies-golf, tennis, basketball. **Fred Kingrey**—BS-Earlham College, MA-Miami University; chemistry, physics, geology; chess club adviser and coach; hobbies-mineral and fossil collecting, chess. **Michael Klopfer**—BS-Easter Kentucky University, MA-University of Dayton; COE, business law; COE club adviser, golf coach; hobbies-sports. **Robert Kritzer**—BS, MA-Michigan State University; health, physical education; boys' track coach, Varsity F adviser.



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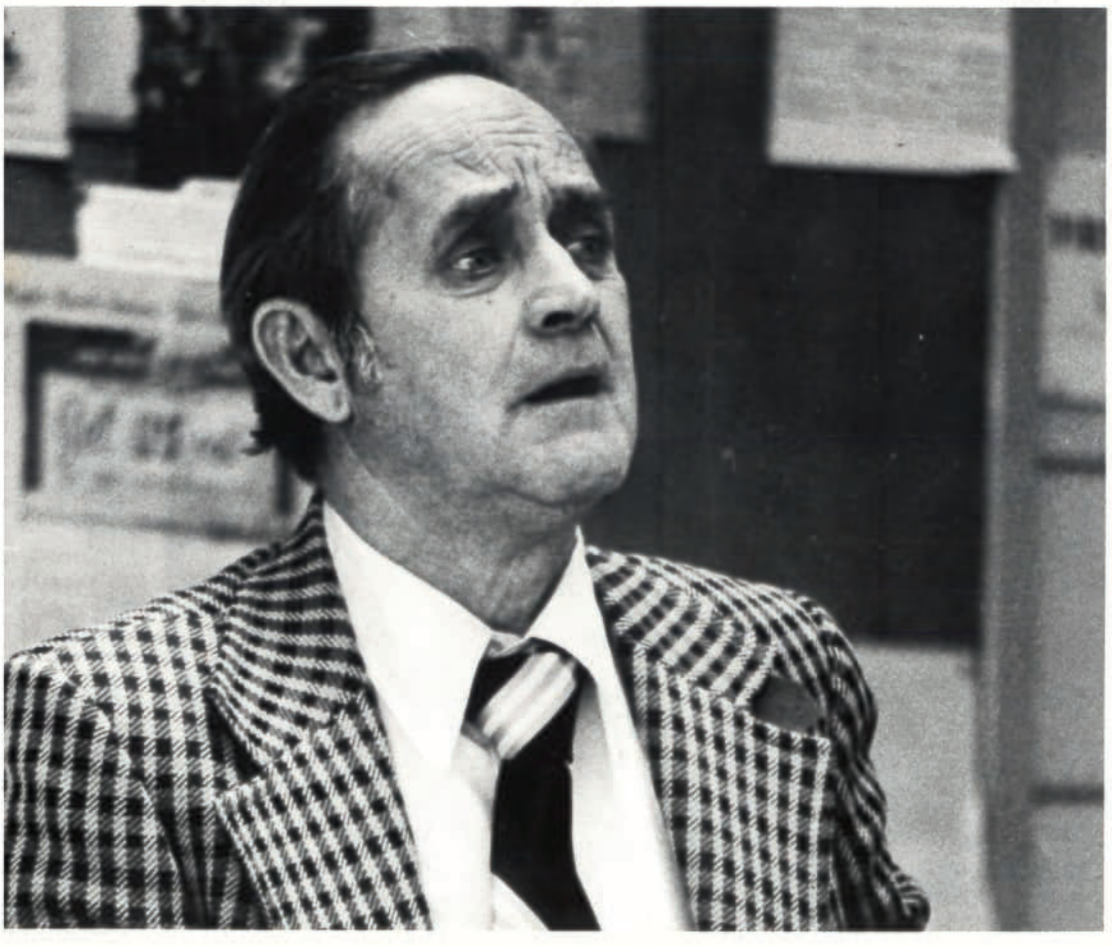


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Erma Maloon—BS,MA-University of Dayton; English, hobbies-traveling, sewing. **Alan Manning**—BS-Ball State University; Woods I, II,III,IV, Drafting I; head wrestling coach, assistant freshman football coach; hobbies-raquetball, water skiing. **William Martin**—BS-Miami University, MEd-Ball State University; graphic arts, electricity, automotives. **Paul Meyer**—BS-Wright State University, MEd-Xavier University; Accounting I,II, consumer economics; hobbies-water sports, disco, traveling. **Penni Meyer**—BS-University of Southern Florida, MA-University of Dayton; American literature and ocmposition enriched, minority voices, basic English.

Josephine McCoy—west unit secretary. **Richard Moore**—BS-Ashland College, MA-Xavier University; west unit counselor; boys' and girls' reserve tennis volunteer; hobbies-tennis, golf, coin and stamp collecting. **Charles Morgan**—BS, MA-Morehead State; vocational coordinator-counselor; hobbies-reading, traveling. **Jerry Neff**—BS-Otterbein College, MA,PhD-Miami University; Algebra III and trigonometry, math of finance, consumer math, basic math; math club adviser. **Janet Nixon**—American literature, science fiction, Radio II.

nkney gets recognition for lightweight boxin



Recently Ben Ankney, a central unit Social Studies teacher received recognition by his induction into the Golden Glove Hall of Fame. He won two straight lightweight championships with the Golden Glove Fights.

Ben Ankney first started boxing during his senior year at Dayton's Roosevelt high school. He and his brother found an application for the Golden Glove fights in the "Dayton Daily News." Ankney boxed in the Golden Gloves for four years. In 1938 Ankney traveled to Chicago for the national fights as the lightweight champion of Dayton, Ohio.

Ankney's boxing experience also provided him with a sense of values and publicity. "You learn to respect other people and a lot of publicity does a lot of good for you," stated Ben Ankney, "I suppose it gave me more self-confidence than I would otherwise normally have."

Ankney also feels that, "Other high school sports are far more dangerous than boxing. Boxing involves a certain amount of adventure, danger, and excitement. This is why I first went into boxing."

Ben Ankney takes a few minutes to discuss an assignment and answer student questions during his third period civics class.

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Elizabeth H. Norton—BA-University of Kentuckey; librarian. **Dianne Olix**—BS-Miami University, MA-Wright State University; plane geometry, Algebra III and trigonometry, individualized geometry; girls' basketball scorekeeper, assistant softball coach; hobbies-photography, travel, watercolor, painting, hiking, camping, raquetball. **June Passaniti**—BA-Nebraska State College; learning disabilities. **Ken Pifer**—BS-Ohio Wesleyan University, MA-University of Dayton; geometry, Algebra I; football and basketball assistant coach; hobbies-coaching, running, woodworking. **Ray Potter**—BS-Ohio Northern University, MEd-Miami University; junior graphic communication, graphic repairs; JA adviser.

Ralph Price—Machine Shop II,III,IV, Photo I,II. **Sharon Rab**—BA-Miami University, MEd-Wright State University; comedy and satire, English literature and composition; hobbies-sailing, gardening. **Patricia Reilly**—BS-Marquette University, Shorthand II, busines English, personal typing; JA adviser; hobbies-tennis, sewing. **Lee Risley**—BA-Kenyon College, MA-John Hopkins College; American history, German I,II,III; German club adviser, ice hockey coach; hobbies-hiking, camping, foreign affairs. **June Roberts**—BS-University of Kentucky; Accounting I, record keeping; hobbies-camping, cooking.

Pete Sams—BS-University of Dayton, MA-Miami University; east unit counselor; hobbies-tennis, refinishing antiques. **Marilyn Schmiesing**—BA-College of Steubenville; English literature and composition; hobbies-showing dogs, gardening, skiing, sewing. **Linda Schmitmeyer**—BS-University of Dayton, MA-Wright State University; American literature, American studies; hobbies-skiing, hiking, gardening. **Michael Schultheis**—BA-University of Cincinnati; senior graphic communications; hobbies-bowling, swimming, hiking. **Gene Seeberger**—BS, MA-Ohio State University; mixed choir, treble choir, musical director.



Schmiesings travel showing Retrievers

Six years ago Marilyn Schmiessing along with her husband, Jim, purchased their first Golden Retriever, Sundown. Since then they have traveled all over the United States and Canada showing Golden Retrievers.

At the present time the central unit English teacher and her husband have five Golden Retrievers. Sonta their second Golden recently received her American and Canadian championship. Another one of the Schmiesing's dogs, Treasure, came very close to getting his championship after winning a show.

Mrs. Schmiesing and her husband reside on a 25-acre farm in Miamisburg. The farm provides a great place for breeding and raising their dogs.

Marilyn Schmiesing commented, "Showing Golden Retrievers has given us the opportunity to travel all over and to meet many people whom we have become close friends with since we have been showing the dogs.



Marilyn Schmiesing and her husband Jim show their prize-winning Golden Retriever.

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Robert Servis—BS-Miami University; physical education, health, head soccer coach, intramural director; hobbies-playing sports, traveling. **Barbara Simpson**—BS-Bowling Green State University; Algebra II, Algebra III & trigonometry, computer science, advanced algebra; hobbies-cave exploring, sewing, bridge, scuba diving. **Martha Sinkhorn**—BS-Ohio State University; Foods III, Clothing II,III, independent living, today's home; field hockey coach, social committee; hobbies-cooking, sewing, antiques. **David Smith**—BFA-Miami University, MFA-State University of Iowa; Drawing and Painting II,III, advanced drawing and painting; hobbies-drawing, painting. **Frank Spolrich**—BS, MEd-Ohio University; central unit supervisor; hobbies-running, fishing, gardening.

Before beginning a parent conference, William Stager enjoys a moment of relaxation.





William Stager—BS-Miami University, MA-Wright State University; east unit supervisor. **Terri Stuck**—BS-Eastern Kentucky University; learning disabilities tutor; hobbies-raquetball, swimming, camping, sewing. **John Stuckey**—BS-Miami University, MS-Indiana University; principal; inter club council adviser. **Elby Takcett**—BS-Eastern Kentucky State College; Science II, Chemsitry I,II. **David Thomas**—BS-Cedarville College, MA-University of South Dakota; Geology I, physical and historical geology; Kettering summer field studies adviser; hobbies-carpentry, backpacking, traveling, hiking.

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Jean Thomas—clerk-treasurer. **Richard Tinnerman**—BS-University of Dayton, MEd-University of Georgia; physics, Algebra I, basic math; hobbies-Korean karate, balck belt instructor. **Michael Tripp**—BS, MA-Ohio State University; plane geometry; hobbies-basketball, tennis, skiing, bowling, camping. **Janet Veigel**—BS-Wright State University; English literature and composition, adolescent in literature. **Charles Vesper**—BS, MEd-Miami University; junior auto mechanics, hobbies-sports car club of America, photography.

James Vest—BS-Miami University, MA-Bowling Green University; aviation education; hobbies-flying, lifting weights, running. **Michael Virelli**—BS-Miami University, MEd-Xavier University; community service, economics, psychology; assistant football coach; hobbies-sports, music, dancing. **Wilfred VonGruenigen**—BA, MA-University of Kentucky; drawing, painting, portraiture; art club adviser; hobbies-fishing. **Lowell Vorpe**—BA-Ohio Wesleyan University, MA-University of Dayton, health, physical education; head football coach, assistant track coach; hobbies-most sports. **Richard West**—BS-Springboro College, MA-OSU; central unit counselor; head baseball coach.







Checking names for the absence list, Jo McCoy performs one of her daily tasks in the west unit office.

James Widman—BA-DePauw University; senior auto mechanics; hobbies-folunteer Kettering fireman, church.

Clerk-treasurer Jean Thomas prepares a purchase order for supplies.



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airmont West staff keeps school running

ooks-Front row: Betty Rumberger, Helen lixson, Miriam Corwin, Sue Trangenstein, lary Zindorf, Rosie Shelander, Ernestine ox, Helen Evans. Back row: Ann Price, Margaret Slater, Viola Goff, Cookie Waters, Eunice Stamm, Amy Gochoel, Dian Davids, Rosa Armstrong, Sandy Turner, Bernice Adams and Geneva Evans.





Numerous people played an important role in the educational systems. This group included the custodians, secretaries and cooks. Unit supervisors took total responsibility for running the units.

Twelve men made up the custodial staff. Six men worked days and six men worked nights. Head custodian, Richard Russell and his crew had to face a lot of problems. Some of the problems included maintenance of the buildings, lockers and school campus grounds.

Twenty-one women made up the cooking staff. Head cook Geneva Evans stated, "We've been told that we are one of the best staffs in the system. We get along real well, just like one very big family."

Almost every item on the menu went up this year. Over 200 people participated in the breakfast bar along with an average of 700 plate lunches sold a day. All the food carried a state approval with high nutritional value last year.

On August 3, the cafeteria workers attended a workshop at Fairmont East. They discussed nutritional, health and cleanliness in the kitchens. March 27, the cooks participated in a salad supper also at Fairmont East.

Paper work and record keeping required a big part of the school's operation. Unit secretaries made sure each unit had supplies along with typing letters, reports and making transcript copies as well as individual secretarial duties.

Three additional secretaries aided the school administration. Two secretaries assisted the principal and the third worked as a clerk treasurer. The secretaries in the main office had a COE student half the day to help them.

One new member to the supervising staff included east unit supervisor, William Stager. Stager stated, "It's a lot of extra work but I have enjoyed the job." Along with him, Frank Spolrich, central unit and James Bazzell, west unit had authority over the students in their units.

Daily work consised of checking on students, doing morning announcements, holding conferences with students and sometimes parents. This year unit supervisors also assisted students in self-scheduling.

Custodians-Front row: Art Neil, Bill Wagers, Jerry Mohr, Ray Rawlins. Back row: Bob Covey, Jim Humes, Dick Russell and Ralph Oxley.

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Seniors sponsor trip to Reds game

For the first time, the senior class sponsored a trip to Cincinnati on May 4 to see the Red's play the Houston Astros. A sign up list determined the order of tickets. Seniors placed their order during the lunch period and received the tickets two weeks later.

During October after the Fairmont East-West game, the senior class sponsored a dance. Tickets went on sale one week in advance for $1. WTUE disc-jockey, Shawn Scott brought music to the gym for everyone to dance and listen to.

In the senior class advertisement for the yearbook, officers strived for class participation. Social chairman, Leslie Hammond outlined a '79 with string in the amphitheater. The ad included a picture of all seniors standing in the '79.

Cap and gown measurements began in the early spring. Senior announcements arrived in late March. They also received their class pictures in late November. Students anticipated their June 5 graduation.

Many seniors attended Grad Nite '79, which took place at King's Island on May 18. Students could see and hear national rock talent and enjoy the rides from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m.



Dave Hughes, vice-president; Jeanette Meyer, secretary; Leslie Hammond, social chairman; Victor Grabeman, president; absent-Jim Wilson, treasurer.



CYNTHIA ABBOTT-musical 2,3,4; Rhythmettes 3,4; chorus 2,3,4; Ski club 2,3,4. KAISA ABLESON-student. NICHOLAS ALBERS-student. PAMELA ALFLEN-student.



DAVID ALLEN-band 2,3,4; WKET-FM 3. MICHELLE ALLEN-Varsity F 3; French club 2; Dragon mascot 3; DRAGON 4. ANTHONY ALLEY-chorus 2; musical 2, stage crew 2; auto mechanics 2,3,4. SHARON ANDERSON-chorus 2, Latin club 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4; basketball 2; track 2,3,4.



MARK APPLE-auto mechanics 4. LYNNE ARNOLD-musical 4; winter play 3; orchestra 4, Pep club 2; office assistant 3,4; FBLA 2,3,4; FMC 2,3,4, Ski club 4. DOUGLAS ARP-student. ROBERT BAHNER-student council 3; German club 3; Spanish club 2; FCA 4, Backpacking club 4; honor roll 2,3,4.

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DENNIS BALL-band 2,3,4; Varsity F 3,4; Ski club 2; golf 2; tennis 4. BRENDA BALSTER-student. JAMES BARDON-Ski club 3; Fishing club 2,4. ROBIN BARNETT-musical 2,3,4; orchestra 2,3,4; French club 4; Math club 4; Ski club 4, Backpacking club 3,4; volleyball 2,3,4.



CARLA BARNHART-COE 4. ANN BARR-musical 2,3; orchestra 2,3,4; Pep club 2; French club 2, WKET-FM 3, track 2. CHRISTOPHER BECKER-student. CURT BECKER-gymnastics 2,3,4.



AMY BEITZEL-musical 2,3,4, fall play 4; winter play 3,4; chorus 2,3,4; Pep club 2; French club 2; JCOWA 2; NFL 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. SUSAN BELG-musical 2,3,4; orchestra 2,3,4. REBECCA BERENS-student council 2,3, president 4; Pep club 2,3, French club 2,3,4; Math club 3,4; Backpacking club 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. RUSSELL BERK-student.



MARY BERNARD-FMC 4; Pep club 2; French club 2,3; honor roll 2,3,4; gymnastics 2,3,4. GARY BERNER-Varsity F 3,4; Spanish club 3,4, FCA 3,4; basketball 2,3,4. MICHAEL BERRY-student. TERESA BILLINGS-student.



ROBERT BISHOP-Math club 3,4. LINDA BISPING-student. CHRISTOPHER BLACK-student. PAMELA BLAIN-Pep club 3, FCA 3,4; DRAGON 4; cheerleader 3,4; gymnastics 2.



DONNA BOEN-musical 2,3,4, orhcestra 2,3,4; French club 2; DRAGON TALES 3, associate editor 4; Quill and Scroll 3,4. MARK BOGNER-band 2,3,4; Photography club 3,4; German club 3; JCOWA 3, Fishing club 4; Backpacking club 4. ROBB BOLAR-basketball 2,3,4. CINDY BOWDEN-musical 4; band 2,3,4; orchestra 2,3,4; Math club 4; French club 2,3,4.

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PETER BOWKER-Varsity F 3,4; FCA 4; DRAGON 4, baseball 2,3; basketball 2; golf 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3; scholar athlete 3; most-valuable award-golf 4. TERESA BREITENSTEIN-Ski club 4; softball; volleyball; cross country. ANN BRITT-office assistant 4; Varsity F 2,3,4; NFL 2,3,4. DAVID BROOKER-auto mechanics 3,4; Starbase I 3.






NANCY BROOKS-student. LAURA BROWN-student secretary 4; Pep club 2,3; French club 2,3,4; Backpacking club 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. SCOTT BROWN-band 2, 3,4; Varsity F 3,4; FCA 4; soccer 2,3,4; scholar athlete 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. DANIEL BROWNFIELD-band 2,3,4; Pep club 2, 3; intramural basketball 4.






DARLENE BRYANT-COE 4. STEPHEN BULL-track 2,4. ALEXANDER BUNN-student secretary 2,3; student council 2; Pep club 3; Varsity F 3,4; Spanish club 3; AFS 4; Ski club 4; FCA 3,4; football 2,3. WILLIAM BURKE-Varsity F 2; Backpacking club 2, Fishing club 3, football 2,3,4.






LAURI BURSHTAN-musical 2,3,4; fall play 3; band 2,3,4; orchestra 2,3,4; chorus 3,4; class president 3. MARY BUTCHKO-Pep club 2,3; French club 2,3; Math club 4; soccer line lady 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. NICHOLAS CADDELL-OWE 2. PETER CADE-office assistant 3; track 4; soccer 2,3.






ANDREA CALISSANO-student. CHRISTOPHER CAMPBELL-DECA 3,4; DE 3,4; Varsity F 2; FCA 2,3; BAckpacking club 2, Fishing club 2; football 2; 1st in DECA district, 6th in state. KEVIN CARSON-student. TIMOTHY CARTER-student.






MICHAEL CARTMELL-basketball 2. MARSHA CARTWRIGHT-musical 2,3,4; fall play 4; chorus 2,3,4; student secretary 4; student council 4; Pep club 3; NFL 2,3,4; National Thespian award. MARY CASSANO-student. GARY CASTLE-student.






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JEFFERY CHANSLER-student. GARY CHILDRESS-East Bay H.S., Tampa, FL 2; football 3,4; Varsity F 4; honor roll 3,4. KIMBERLY CHRISTENSEN-Ski club 4; general clerical 3,4. JULIE CHRISTOPHER-Hoke County H.S., Raeford, NC 2; musical 3,4; chorus 3,4; Pep club 3.

DEBBIE CLARK-musical 2; chorus 2. TIMOTHY CLARK-student. KAREN CLOUSE-student. WILLIAM COEN-lab assistant 3; office assistant 3; track 2,3.

CHRISTINA COMBS-DCT 3,4. MARY COMMON-student. KIMBERLY CONNER-fall play 3,4; winter play 4; NFL 3,4. DEREK COOPER-student.

Harding creates rhythm for West



Playing at a basketball game, Brady Harding gets the crown up on their feet.

Creating the beat for Fairmont West, senior Brady Harding played drums. He participated in all the bands at West including pep, stage, symphonic and marching bands. Students clapped to the beat when he played in central before school and at pep assemblies.

For the stage band, The Continentals, he held the position of first drummer. This band played jazz pieces at various functions. Wesley Haines, band director, said, "Brady Harding's a fine high school jazz drummer. He has been the heart of the rhythm section for the past two years."

Brady started to play drums in the fourth grade. Since that time he has taken lessons from different music instructors and played in school bands. As a competitor in band contests he won top ratings for his talent. At a chorus and band concert, Brady even played a drum solo.

In addition to playing for Fairmont West he participated outside of school with other bands, however, nothing seriously. He did it for personal pleasure.

Besides his drumming he involved himself with other activities among them skiing and racquet ball. During the summer, Brady worked for the City of Kettering as a playground leader for school parks.

After high school he doesn't plan to further his musical education, although he will not abandon it completely. Instead, he plans to go to college to study architecture.

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SANDRA COPELAND-musical 3,4; chorus 3,4; Pep club 2,3. LYNDON COX-auto mechanics 3,4. SUSAN CRAFT-chorus 4. CAROL CRAWFORD-student.

ALFRED CROSS-musical 4; band 2,3,4; orchestra 3,4; French club 4; Math club 3, 4, honor roll 2,3,4. ALEXANDER CUDKOWICZ-musical 3,4; winter play 3,4; band 2,3,4; orchestra 4; French club 2,3,4; soccer 2,3. NICKOL DAMEN-exchange student; French club 4; AFS 4; Ski club 4; Backpacking club 4. BRENDA DAMICOCOE, president 4.

MARCIA DARBRO-student. JANE DAVIDSON-student council 4; French club 2,3,4; basketball 2,3,4; field hockey 2,3,4. LISA DAVIS-Pep club 2,3; Ski club 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. ROSEMARY DAVIS-musical 4; Pep club 2,3; Rhythmettes 3,4; Spanish club 4, FCA 2; gymnastics 2,3.



Singing adds to Beitzel's talents

Singing played an important role in senior Amy Beitzel's high school life. She had involved herself with chorus since junior high and used to sing in a church choir. She also quit taking piano lessons for the singing lessons.

Along with singining in chorus concerts she performed in the musical pother her junior and senior years. n the 1979 musical "Where's Charley" he held the female lead. In the role he portrayed one of four love interests.

Gene Seeberger said, "Amy is my ight arm. She sings beautifully, is rganized and a tireless worker. She elps me with the accompaniment and s always there when I need her."

Besides being involved with singng she took part in the plays at Fairmont West in her junior and senior ear. In the winter play her senior ear, she played Professor Von Drakentein who gave a description of the abbits called pookas.

For Joseph Kuldau, director of the lays, she acted as student director. le said, "She's a lovely girl, a hard vorker and is sure to make a success f her life when she leaves here."

Her after high school plans include oing to college and evetually becoming certified public accountant. She still lans to sing at college in either a horus or church choir.



amy helps direct backstage operations durng practice of the fall play.

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DANIEL DEANGULO-Backpacking club 3; Fishing club 3. TERESA DELL'ARIA-student. PHILIP DENLINGER-student. TRENT DEVOE-musical 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4; office assistant 3,4; student council 4; WKET-FM 4; honor roll 3,4.



AMY DICKINSON-band 2,3,4; student secretary 4; FBLA 4; Spanish club 4. BRUCE DILEGO-Hoosac Valley high school 2; Ski club 3,4. DANIEL DILLHOFF-student. MICHAEL DILWORTH-Oakwood high school 2; Irvine high school 3.



CHARLES DOCKEN-band 2; Varsity F 3,4; FCA 4; Fishing club 3; baseball 2,3,4; basketball 2. RONALD DOPF-band 4; German club 3, JCOWA 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. MARY KAY DOUGHERTY-student council 2; Varsity F 3,4; French club 2; Math club 4; FCA 3,4; basketball 2,3,4; golf 3,4; softball 2,3,4. CYNTHIA DOWNS-French club 2; Art club 2; AFS 4.



CARRIE DUROSE-Ski club 2; DRAGON3, Ad manager 4; Varsity F 2,3,4; tennis 2,3,4. DEBRA ELEY-student secretary 3; office assistant 2; Pep club 2; Backpacking club 3, 4; community service 4. JAMES EMMONS-student. DONNA FARMER-musical 2,3,4, orchestra 2,3,4; DRAGON 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4.



AMY FARREN-AFS 3,4; FCA 2,3; basketball 2,3,4; field hockey 2,3,4; track 2,3,4. ANNA FIEHLER-Belmont high school, Middletown high school; WKET-FM 4. CARL FOLCKER-exchange student. DONNA FORMAN-graphic communications 3,4.



CONSTANCE FOSTER-student. CHRISTINE FREDERICK-musical 2,3,4; fall play 3; chorus 2,3,4; Pep club 2,3; JCOWA 2,3; Ski club 4. ERICK FRICK-FCA 4; golf 2,3,4; Varsity F 4. DAVID FRITZ-student.

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CRAIG FROST-Varsity F 3,4; Backpacking club 4; baseball 3,4; basketball 3; football 2; soccer 3,4. KEITH FULTZ-student. JOHN GABRIEL-student. SUSAN GATH-ICC 4; student council 2,3,4; FMC 2,3,4; Ski club 4; cross country 4; field hockey 2; honor roll 2,3,4; Dayton Bar Association citizenship award 3.

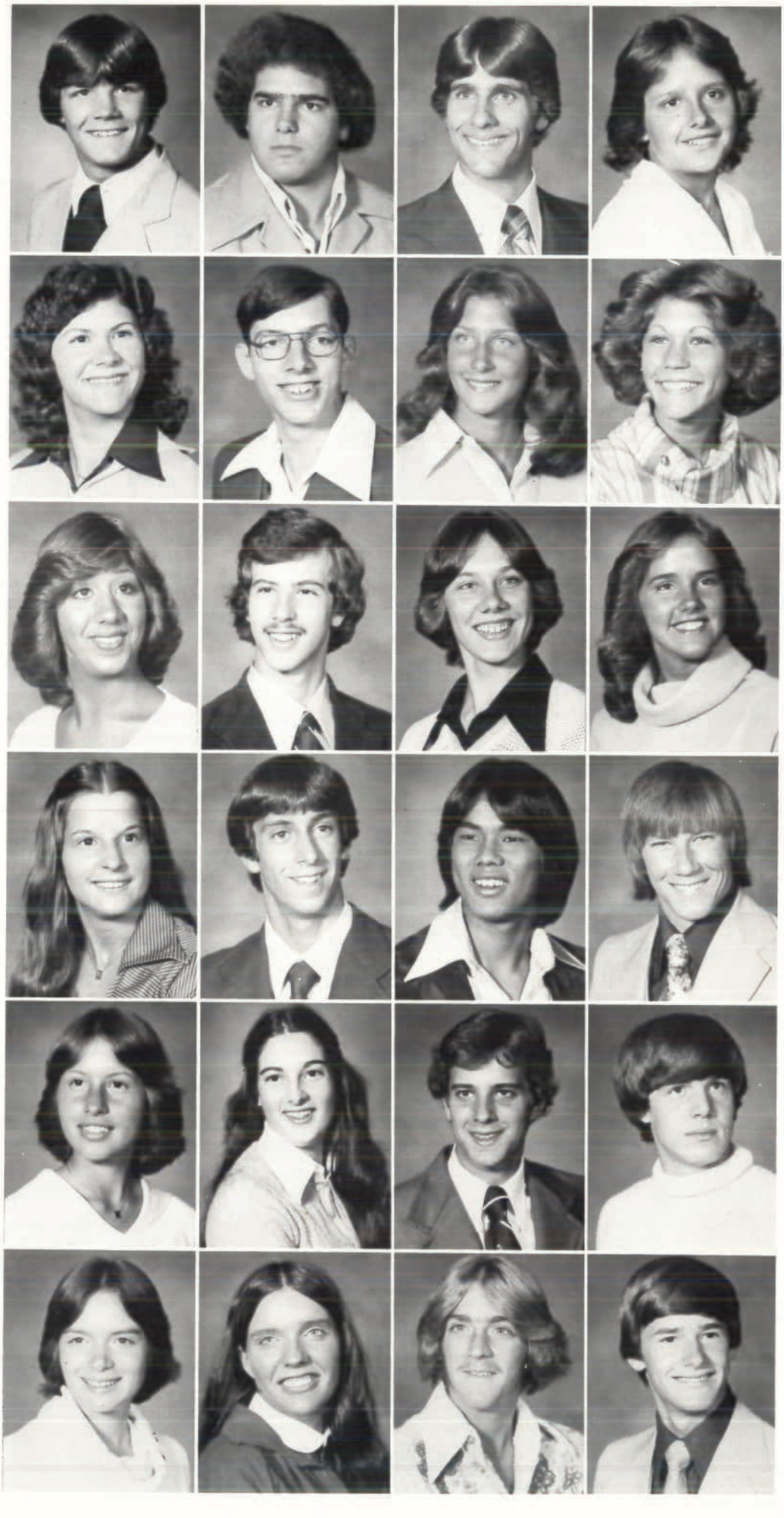
ROXANNE GEARY-bookstore worker 4; French club 2,3,4; DRAGON TALES, assistant editor 4; BAckpacking club 4; honor roll 2,3,4; Quill & Scroll 4. DANIEL GEIS-Latin club 3. BETTY GEOGHEGAN-musical 3,4; orchestra 3,4; Varisty F 3,4; FCA 3,4, cross country 4; gymnastics 2,3,4, most-improved 3; track 3,4, most-improved 3. DEBRA GERDING-Archbishop Alter H.S. 2, FBLA 4; general clerical 3,4; Kettering Youth commission 4.

PAULA GIALLOMBARDO-student. PETER GIBBS-fall play 4; winter play 3; French club 2,3,4, Latin club 2,3,4; Ski club 2,3,4; NFL 2,3,4; Starbase I 2,3; debate 2,3, 4; 1st place state scholarship in English 2; National Merit Finalist 4. JOANNE GILL-Rhythmettes 2,3,4, lab assistant 4; AFS 2; honor roll 2,3,4. PENNY GILMORE-Homecoming court 4; Rhythmettes 2, corporal 3, top sergeant 4; DRAGON 3, classes editor 4; class vice-president 3; Quill & Scroll 4.

JILL GIRARDOT-COE 4. TOM GLOEKLER-student. ROBERT GO-student. RICHARD GOLDEN-student.

KATHLEEN GOODPASTER-winter play 3, 4, band 3,4; FMC 2,3,4; AFS 4; JCOWA 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. JANET GOULD-student council 2; Pep club 2,3; French club 2,3; student secretary 3; cheerleader 3; Varsity F 3, honor roll 2,3,4. VICTOR GRABEMAN-ICC 4, student council 4; Varsity F 2,3,4; Latin club 2,3; FCA 4; basketball 2; golf 3. JOHN GRADY-student.

ELIZABETH GRAHAM-musical 3,4; fall play 4; winter play 3; band 2,3,4; orchestra 4, ICC 4; student council 4; French club 2; NFL 3,4; morning announcer 4; honor roll 2,3,4. KATHLEEN GRAHAM-Backpacking club 3. BRIAN GRANT-student. DAVID GRANT-musical 3,4; band 2,3,4; orchestra 3,4; Spanish club 3, Math club 3,4.



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Watern plays three sports

Senior Kathy Watern looks for an opening to pass in the game against Xenia.



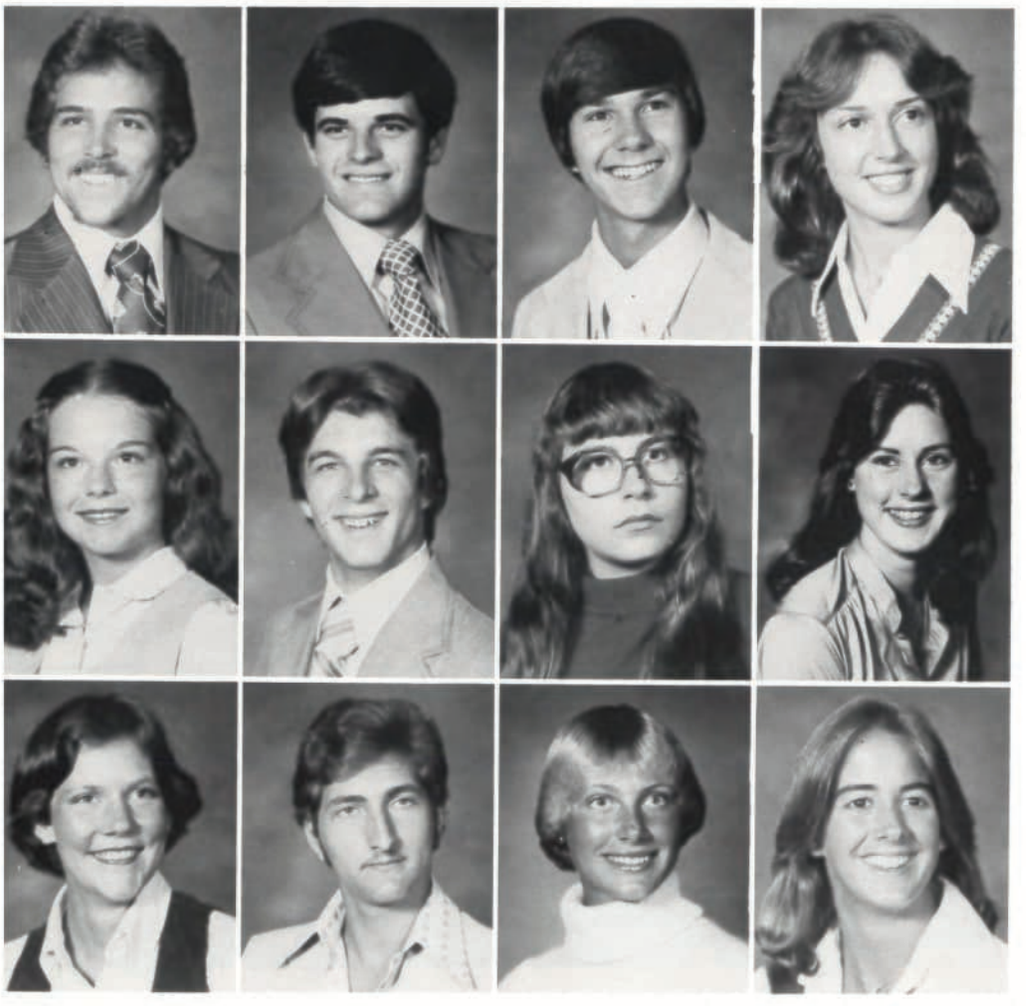
Athletics played an important part during Kathy Watern's three years at West. She played varsity basketball, volleyball and softball. Besides participating in sports, Kathy made time for studying. The result put her in the top 20 percent of the senior class. Counselor Pete Sams said, "Kathy is hard-working and serious."

While participating in basketball, Kathy made the second team in the WOL and received an honorable mention in the District her senior year. She lead in assists and became the third leading scorer. Coach Diana Schwab said, "Kathy was the main ball-handler and along with an excellent jump, she has good speed on the floor."

During the volleyball season, Kathy made the first team in the WOL her junior and senior year. Her team members voted her the most-improved her junior year and most-valuable her senior. Kathy served as co-captain of the team for the 1978-79 season.

As a pitcher in softball, Kathy made the first team in the WOL as a junior. She had a record of five wins and five losses with 15 strikeouts. Kathy also played second base. She batted in seven runs and averaged .277 in 1978.

Accepting a basketball scholarship, Kathy will attend Bowling Green University. During the past summers, she taught basketball to young children. Amy Kruer said, "Kathy is an excellent and dedicated athlete with whom I enjoyed being teammates."



JOHN GRASSO-auto mechanics 3,4; football 2. KEN GRECO-Varsity F 2,3,4; football 2,3,4; track 2,3,4. DAVID GRIEMANN-band 2,3,4; track 3,4. TINA GRIFFITH-musical 4; band 2,3,4, student secretary 3,4; office assistant 4; ICC 4; Spanish club 2,3,4; softball 2.

LESLIE GRILLOT-DECA 3,4; French club 2,3; DE 3,4. GARY GUESS-student. LYNN GUINEY-Latin club 2,3,4; Art club 2,3,4; Starbase I 3. JULIE HAHN-student.

ANN HALPIN-lab assistant 4; ICC 3,4; French club 2; Spanish club 3; AFS 2,4, president 3; Quill & Scroll 3,4; Backpacking club 2,4; DRAGON TALES 3, editor-in-chief 4, honor roll 2,3,4. JOHN HAMILTON-Starbase I 3. LESLIE HAMMOND-office assistant 3; Pep club 2. JILL HANSEL-lab assistant 4; Pep club 2; French club 2; FCA 3,4; softball 2,3,4.

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ERNIE HARDIN-student. BRADY HARDING-band 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. KEN HARPER-football 2,3,4. KATHRYN HARSHBARGER-musical 4; band 2,3,4; student secretary 3,4; student council 4; Spanish club 3,4; Pep club 2,3.

DANYLE HARVEY-Varsity F 2; volleyball 2,3,4, track 2,3,4. DIANE HASTINGS-office assistant 3,4, Pep club 2,3; cheerleader 2,3,4; gymnastics 2,3,4; honor roll 2,4. DONNA HASTINGS-musical 2; chorus 2; DECA 3; DE 3. MARLENE HAUSER-FCA 4; Backpacking club 4; cross country 4; track 2,3,4.

ANDREW HAWK-basketball 2,4; baseball 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. DANIELLE HEAVNER-French club 2,3, Pep club 2; student secretary 4; office assistant 4. JOHN HECKER-Painesville H.S., Painesville, OH 2, 3. LLOYD HECKMAN-lab assistant 3,4; Varsity F 2,3,4; OWE 4; Ice Hockey club 2,3; Fishing club 2,3; football 3,4.



Kurtz speaks in original oratory

Original Oratory, a category in speech with the material both written and performed by one speaker, provided Greg Kurtz, a member of the Speech Department, with the opportunity to display his creativeness and skillfulness in speaking techniques.

Prior to his acquirement of first place in the State District meet, Greg placed first in four of the area high school meets. The unique oratory, "The Creeping Camel," also placed him second in the National District meet.

Greg participated in Youth Theatre and in Readers Theatre winning first place in state competition. Elected to a position on the Advisory Board, he also proved active in the management of the radio station, WKET.

One of the five members chosen for the NFL (National Forensic League) board, Greg aided in the direction of the club's activities. The NFL Service Award and the NFL Speaking Award previously given to him exhibited his talent as well as his dedication.

Kirkles, a nickname given to thespian, Kurtz by Joseph Kuldau, speech instructor, acted as Peter Santard in the fall drama, "Kind Lady." Filling the lead role in the winter play "Harvey," Greg played Elwood P. Dowd, a man commonly visited by a six foot tall invisible rabbit.

In addition to maintaining status on the honor roll while participating in many school functions, Greg belongs to a youth group outside of school. Performing duties in his church, he prepared himself for future plans.



Greg Kurtz plays Elwood P. Dowd, a man commonly visited by a six foot tall invisible rabbin in the play "Harvey."

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BARBARA HEFFNER-student. ROBERT HENN-Ice Hockey club 2,3. THOMAS HENRY-student. JAMES HERBECK-student.



ANDREA HESLER-DCT 3,4. NANETTE HIEB-musical 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4; Varsity F 2; basketball 2,3,4; volleyball 2,3,4; track 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. DANIEL HILL-wrestling 2; office assistant 2. BARBARA HILTY-chorus 2,3,4; golf 3,4.



DIANA HINCH-FBLA 3, president 4. BRIAN HODELL-student. JOHN HOEFLINGER-Varsity F 2; football 4; track 2; wrestling 4. CHRISTOPHER HOHL-chorus 2; Varsity F 2; FCA 3; football 2,3,4; track 2,3,4.



MARA HOLTZMAN-cross country 2,3,4; track 2,3,4. SCOTT HORNE-ICC 3; Chess club 2,3,4. DIANE HORVAT-chorus 2; office assistant 2; Pep club 2. ROBERT HORWATH-office assistant 2,3; Varsity F 3,4; Math club 3; cross country 2,3,4; track 2,3,4.



JUANITA HOTT-graphic communications 2. MICHAEL HOUCK-lab assistant 4; Varsity F 2,3,4; Chess club 2,3; Backpacking club 3,4; cross country 3,4; track 2,3,4. ETIENNE HOWARD-student. ROY HOWARD-student.



STEVEN HUBER-Backpacking club 4; basketball 2, honor roll 2,3. WILLIAM HUTCHISON-Ski club 4; Backpacking club 2. DAVID HUGHES-student council 2,3,4; Ski club 4; golf 2,3,4. GERALD HULSHULT-musical 4; band 2,3,4; orchestra 2, 3,4; Chess club 2; Math club 4; cross country 3,4; tennis 2.

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Pledger spends time in music, ar

Art and music have always played major role in senior Chuck Pledger's fe. Chuck found little time for anyıing else. His pasttimes included ıow skiing and motor cycling.

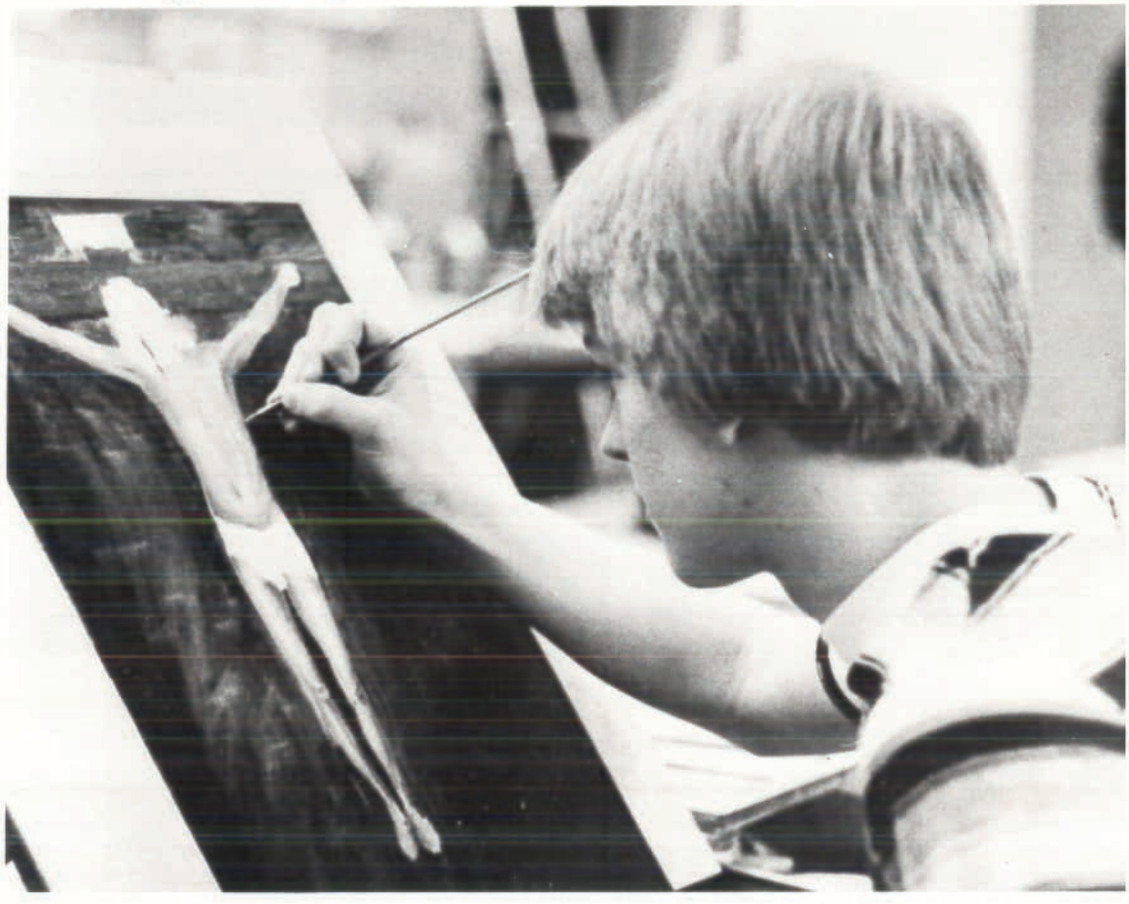
Chuck had many achievements creited to his name. He received a liberal art scholarship to Cumberland lniversity, and excelled quickly in is art lessons.

Along with his achievements, Chuck esigned invitations to the sixth grade lass reunion at Oakview school, and ad much of his art work placed in ast unit lobby display cases.

Art and music involved most of hucks time and gave him little chance) think about his future. Chuck found ıost of his thoughts focused on travelıg across the United States with a oup named The Stone Brothers.

Chuck found spare time to practice ıitar four to five hours a day. He so worked at Dorothy Lane Market ose to twenty-five hours a week. huck became involved with the youth oup at his church. He partially di:cted the group, Jericho Brass, and ɔured to Georgia to perform at rallies.

Chucks skills in art and music came om his own personal quality that e added to his artwork. Chuck felt ıspired to paint and play so that eople felt his talents as well as they ıw and heard them. He also liked to sten to George Benson and the Eagles ɔr ideas in music.



:producing a painting of Jesus Christ, ıuck pledger works in his second period awing and painting class.



DIANE HUMPHREYS-fall play 4; winter play 3; NFL 2,3,4. JEFFERY HURT-student. JOHN HYLTON-Ski club 3,4; Backpacking club 2,3,4; cross country 4; track 2,4. PATRICK IOAS-honor roll 2.

JAMES IRWIN-DCT 4. GEORGE JANCO-Varsity F 2,3,4; FCA 4; tennis 2,3,4; soccer 2,3. JAMES JANNEY-OWE 2. LYNDA JANNING-Homecoming court 4; Rhythmettes 2,3,4; Math club 4.

JOHN JEFFRIES-lab assistant 4; FCA 4; Backpacking club 2,3,4; football 2. JAMES JOHNSON-library assistant 3; Art club 2. PAMELA JOHNSON-DECA 3,4; DE 3,4. PAUL JOHNSTON-band 2; lab assistant 4; Ski club 2,3,4; WKET-FM 2,3,4; tennis 3.

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PEGGY JOYNER-winter play 3; lab assistant 4; AFS 4; Ski club 3,4; NFL 3,4; Backpacking club 4; field hockey 2; track 2,3. JACQUELINE JUDD-DECA 3,4; DE 3,4. BRADLEY KAUDER-band 4; Ski club 4; WKET-FM 4; Backpacking club 4. JOANNA KAUFFMAN-student.



MICHAEL KEMPHER-student. LESSLEY KIDD-Homecoming court 4; Varsity F 2,3,4; baseball 2; football 2,3,4; wrestling 2,3,4. ELIZABETH KIEFABER-student council 2; Ski club 3. CHERYL KING-library assistant 2; Spanish club 4; honor roll 4.



JAMES KINGERY-Latin club 3,4. STEPHEN KISER-Varsity F 3,4; football 2, 3, golf 4. MICHAEL KLEIN-student. JOHN KNIGHT-musical 3,4; band 2,3,4; German club 2; Math club 2,3,4; Photography club 2,3,4; football 2,3,4; track 2,4; wrestling 2,3,4.



ROBERT KOENIG-lab assistant 2,3; Ski club 2,3,4; Backpacking club 2,3,4. KELLY KRAMER-Rhythmettes 2,3,4; Ski club 3,4. AMY KRUER-Varsity F 3; French club 2; Math club 4; FCA 3,4; basketball 2,3,4; softball 2,3,4; volleyball 2,3. DENISE KUNKA-Varsity F 3; FCA 3; honor roll 2,3,4; basketball 2,3,4; volleyball 2,3.



GREG KURTZ-fall play 4; winter play 4; NFL 2,3,4; WKET-FM 2,3,4. BILLY LAMBDIN-Photography club 3,4. TONYA LANE-musical 2,4; Rhythmettes 2,3,4; chorus 2,3; student secretary 4; French club 3; DRAGON 4. LISA LAWRENCE-musical 4; chorus 2,3; student secretary 4; student council 3,4; COE 4; Pep club 2.



DAWN LAYER-FMC 3; Spanish club 2; Ski club 4; DRAGON 4. LISA LEE-ICC 4; AFS 3,4; Ski club 2,3,4. ROBYN LEFEVRE-musical 2,3,4; winter play 3; orchestra 2,3,4; Pep club 3; French club 2,3,4; Ski club 4. BRUCE LEGGETT-student.

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ROBIN LEHMAN-student secretary 2; bookstore worker 3; WKET-FM 3,4. WESLEY LEIBROOK-student. STEVEN LEMASTER-lab assistant 3. LISA LEONHARD-musical 3,4; chorus 3,4; Pep club 2,3; Ski club 4; JCOWA 2.



PAUL LINDOWER-Math club 4; honor roll 2,3,4. CAROLYN LOCKHART-musical 2; chorus 2,3; student council 3,4; cheerleader 3,4. KIMBERLY LOCKHART-DECA 3; Pep club 2; DE 3; Ski club 3,4. KAREN LONAKER-winter play 3; lab assistant 3, 4; library assistant 2; FMC 2; FBLA 2,3,4; Pep club 2.



LISA LOVELACE-student. TAMMIE MAC DONALD-DECA 3,4; DE 3,4. LAURA MADDEN-student. LISA MANCZ-student.



VICKIE MANESS-COE 4; FBLA 3. TIMOTHY MANNING-student. ANN MANTIA-Rhythmettes 2,3,4; student secretary 4; office assistant 4. LUCIO MANZO-Art club 2.



RICHARD MARCHAL-student. DENISE MARTIN-Art club 2,4. WENDY MARTIN-lab assistant 2,3; Art club 3; Backpacking club 3; honor roll 2,3,4; softball 2. SARAH MAY-student secretary 4; Latin club 2, vice-president 3, treasurer 4; Math club 4.



MICHAEL MAYNARD-lab assistant 4; Backpacking club 4. JEFF MAYS-FCA 3; baseball 2; basketball 2. TERRY MCAVOY-Varsity F 2,3,4; tennis 2,3,4. JAY MC CARTHY-DCT 4; Ski club 2,3.



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PATTY MCCARTHY-social chairman 3. PHIL MCCARTY-musical 2; chorus 2. JEFFERY MCCLOSKEY-student. ROGER MCCREADY-band 2,3,4, track 3,4.

RUTH MCDANIEL-student. DAVID MC ELROY-Math club 4; football 3; honor roll 2,3. SANDRA MCFADDEN-orchestra 2; COE 4. PAMELA MCGARRY-track 2,3,4; Rhythmettes 3,4.

JEFFREY MCKINNEY-Ski club 4; Backpacking club 2; golf 3,4. TERRI MCKINNISS-DECA 3,4; DE 3,4. DAVID MC MAHON-student. ANDREA MCQUEEN-musical 3,4; band 2,3,4, majorette 2; Rhythmettes 3; Colorguard 4; chorus 3,4.

Tony Scurlock receives six varsity letters



ring the East-West track meet, Coach Bob tzer mentally prepares Tony Scurlock for 440-yard relay race.

Tony Scurlock received six varsity letters for his participation in football, basketball and track. Many different activities played a role in Tony's life and in his high school years.

Elected as president of Future Christian Athletes, he made the club more active by winning second place in the JC's haunted house, and giving a dinner to families at Thanksgiving time. The student body also elected him as homecoming king.

In football Tony played on both the defense and offense. He started at safety on defense and played split-end on offense. Tony received the best-back award. He also played guard on the basketball team for three years and lettered as a senior.

"Tony is the hardest worker in the school, he puts in 110 percent in everything he does. In sports he doesn't let his lack of size stop him," commented Gary Berner.

Tony earned his track letters by competing in the 440 and the mile relay. Tony concentrated mostly on the 440 run. "Tony is a great leader, he played as a member of the team and he does what he thinks is best for the team," stated Coach Lowell Vorpe.

In addition to his other activities, Tony carried a 4.0 average. He earned the scholar athlete award as a junior and made the honor roll each year.

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BRAD MEADOWS-soccer 2; JOAN MEFFORD-student. LISA MELIA-DRAGON4; Quill & Scroll 4; FBLA 4; honor roll 2,3,4. WILLIAM MENKE-baseball 2; wrestling 2,3.



PHILLIP MERRILL-Ski club 2,3, president 4, JEANETTE MEYER-DRAGON 3, assistant editor 4; class secretary 4. DIANA MICKLE-chorus 3,4; office assistant 3; Pep club 3,4; Varsity F 3,4; mascot 3,4; AFS 3, 4; basketball 2,3; golf 4; softball 2,3; volleyball 2. MARY MICKLOS-lab assistant 2; Pep club 2; Backpacking club 3, secretary 4; softball 2,3, volleyball 2, honor roll 2,3,4.



CRAIG MILLER-student. MARGARET MILLER-Homecoming court 4; musical 2,3, 4; Rhythmettes 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4; Pep club 2; lab assistant 4; FCA 3,4; Dragon Bell in driver's ed 3; honor roll 2,3,4. MATTHEW MILLER-scholar athlete 3; baseball 2,3; football 2,3. MITCHELL MILLER-musical 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4; honor roll 2; wrestling 4.



Ron Morris leads gymnastic team

Senior Ron Morris had many inter- s this year and seemed to pursue em all successfully. "He's done an cellent job with academics and at e same time has spent a great deal of ne with gymnastics," said central it counselor Dick West.

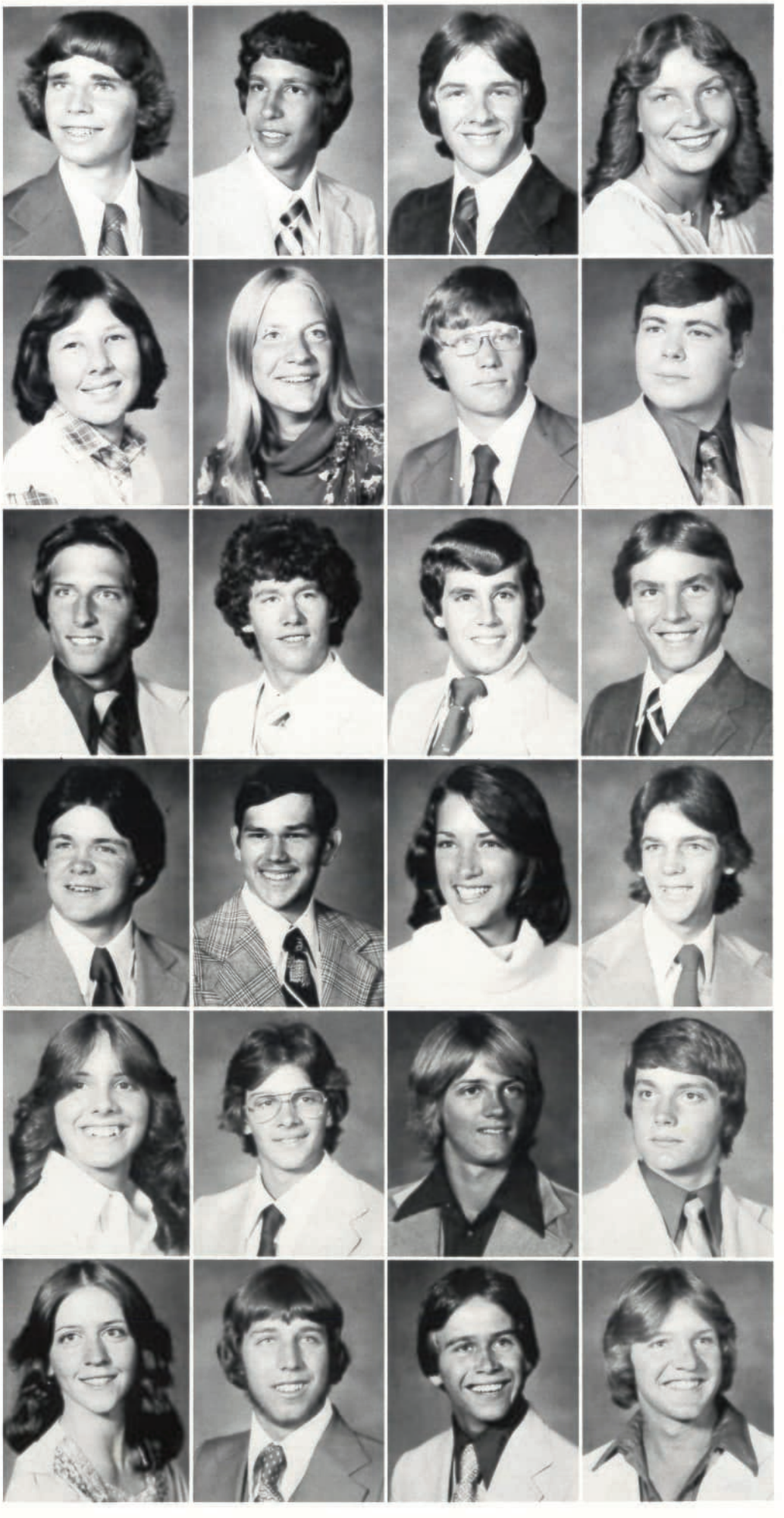
As captain of the team, Ron's most tstanding event occurred in the West- n Ohio League meet when Ron ced tenth on the pommel horse, enth on the still rings, seventh on parallels and sixth all-around. Ron also performed in the Dayton trict competition. He finished in enth place on the still rings, third the parallel bars, ninth on the hor- ntal bar and seventh all-around. Placing in the top nine qualified n for the state meet on the rings, allels and the horizontal. He fin- ed twelfth, nineteenth and twenty- h placed respectively.

"Ron began with literally no pre- us experience in gymnastics and veloped into our most-valuable gym- t. In my estimation he has done a y commendable job in gymnastics West," said coach Gene Gilbert. He also received ribbons for work his Woods IV class. Ron took a eau and game table to a state com- ition sponsored by the Ohio Indus- l Arts Association and won two e ribbons. Woods teacher Alan nning said, "Ron is a super student, erfectionist. Being a new teacher in s field he has taught me a lot."



Ron Morris works on a game table for the Ohio Industrial Arts Association contest.

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ROBERT MILLER-lab assistant 4; Science club 4. STEVEN MILLER-Math club 4; student representative to Kettering athletic board of control 4? corss country 2; track 2,3. THOMAS MILLER-student. COLETTE MINOUGHAN-office assistant 3,4; Pep club 2; AFS 3.

VANESSA MISEL-Varsity F 3,4; student assistant 3,4; softball 2,3; volleyball 2,3,4. LISA MITTAG-bookstore worker 3. KENT MOORE-Backpacking club 3; Fishing club 2; football 2. TERRY MOORE-band 2,3,4; orchestra 4; ICC 4; Photography club 2, vice-president 3; president 4. honor roll 2,3,4.

RONALD MORRIS-student. MARK MORRISSEY-student. RANDAL MORTON-band 2,3,4; Varsity F 3,4; Math club 3,4; FCA 4; WKET-FM 4; football 2,3,4; track 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. PATRICK MOULTNEY-student council 2; Ski club 2; community service 4.

ROBERT MYER-Homecoming court 4; DECA 3, president 4; DE 3,4; scholar athlete 2; football 2,3; track 2; honor roll 2, 3,4. STEVEN MYERS-DCT 4. JANE NEFF-French club 4; Math club 4; Ski club 2,3,4; Backpacking club 4; National Merit Finalist 4; volleyball 2,3,4; most-valuable player in WOL 4; track 2,3. THOMAS NEIDERT-basketball 2; soccer 3.

HEIDI NEMETH-office assistant 4; DECA 3,4; DE 3,4. EVAN NESBITT-gymnastics 2; EDWARD NEUMEISTER-fall play 3; winter play 3; office assistant 3; baseball 2,3,4. ANDREW NIEKAMP-Latin club 4; Science club 2,3.

CINDY NOBLE-office assistant 4. GERALD NOE-Homecoming court 4; Pep club 2; Varsity F 2,3,4; Math club 3; Backpacking club 2,3,4; Fishing club 2,3,4; baseball 2,3, football 2,3,4, 1st team WOL 4; scholar athlete 3. CARL OLSEN-Ski club 2,3,4; Backpacking club 3; golf 3. WILLIAM OSBORNE-student.

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PHILLIP OSBORNE-musical 2,3; chorus 2, 3; DCT 4; REC 2. DANIEL OSMAN-DRAGON TALES 4; Photography club 3,4. MICHAEL OSWALD-soccer 3. RONALD OSWALT-basketball 2,3,4; Varsity F 3,4; FCA 2; gym assistant 3.4.

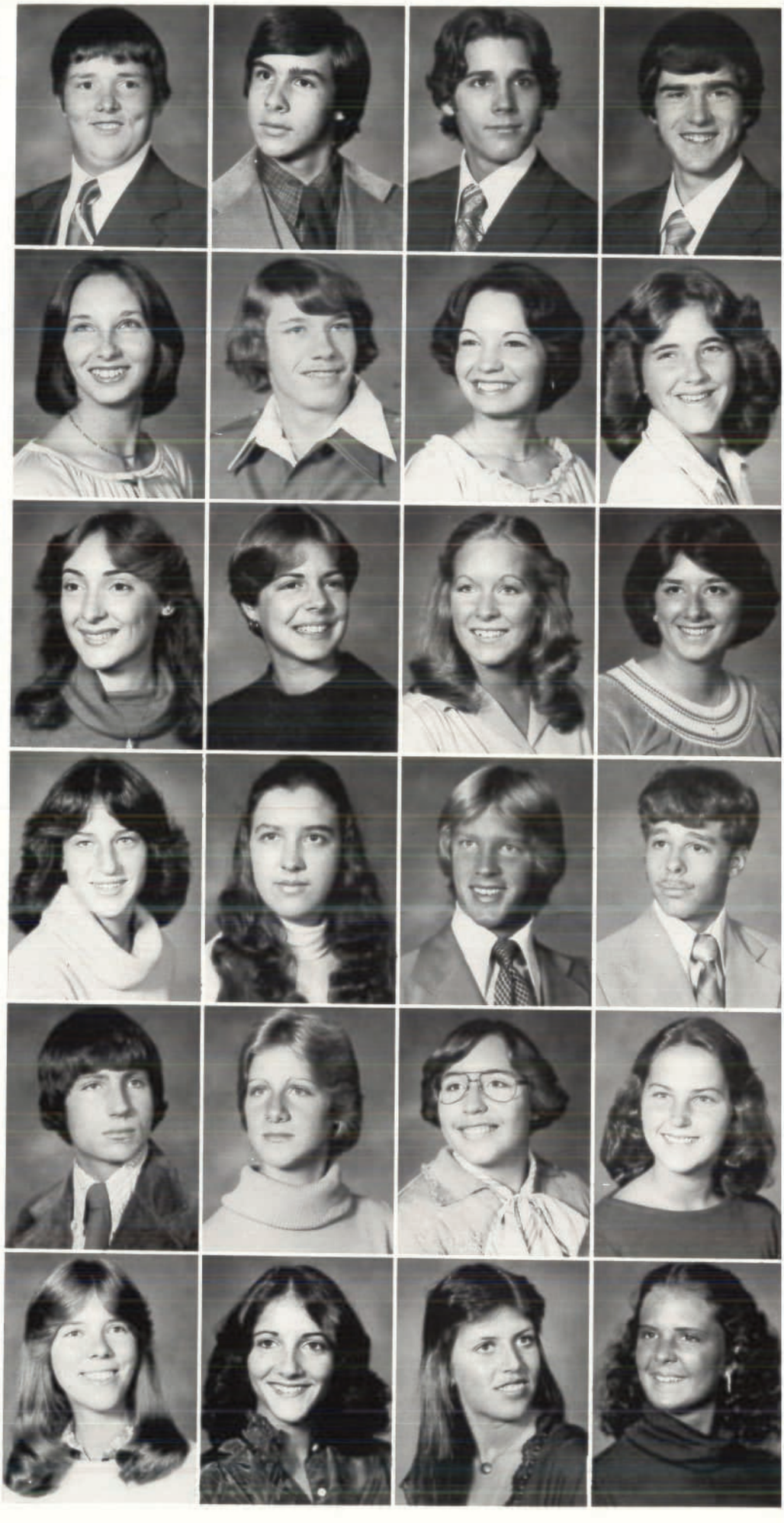
TERESA OWEN-student. DAVID PATRICK-Latin club 4; Math club 4; Science club 3; ICC 2. PATRICIA PATRICK-student. PATRICIA PEACOCK--musical 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4; Varsity F 3,4; field hockey 2,3,4; track 3.

JULIA PEARSON-Pep club 2. JAMIE PETERS-lab assistant 4; office assistant 3; Pep club 2; Spanish club 2,3; Ski club 2,3,4; Backpacking club 4; morning announcer 4; honor roll 2,3,4. KRISTIN PETERSON-Pep club 2; cheerleader 2; Ski club 4. MARIANNE PETZOLD-student secretary 3; bookstore worker 4; FMC 3; Pep club 2; JCOWA 4; DRAGON TALES 4.

ELAINE PFAFF-Ski club 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. MALINDA PIERCE-musical 2,3,4; orchestra 2,3,4; German club 2. CHARLES PLEDGER-honor roll 2,3,4. JAMES POHL-soccer 2.

LARRY PONZIANI-Backpacking club 3; tennis 3. CATHARINA POT-student secretary 4; office assistant 2,4; Pep club 2; Varsity F 2,3,4; FCA 2,3,4; field hockey 2,3,4; track 2,3,4. DIANE PREGON- student. CHRISTINE PRETZINGER-student council 2; French club 2,3, Ski club 2.

BARBARA PRICE-German club 2,3; Chess club 2,3,4; Math club 4; honor roll 2,3,4. ROBYN PUMMILL-student secretary 3; Pep club 2; French club 2. JULIA QUAMME-student. JOAN RANDALL-musical 2, 4; Rhythmettes 3; chorus 2,3; ICC 4; student council 3,4; Ski club 2,3; DRAGON 4; Backpacking club 4.



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Seniors confront decisions concerning futur

Emphasizing precision senior Cindy Abbott focuses a camera at the Kettering schools audio visual department.



With the approach of the end of their high school years, seniors confronted important decisions concerning their futures. Many students chose to go to college while others decided to go directly to work, vocational training and others turned to marriage.

Through college visits and much discussion with counselors and parents. most seniors decided to go to college. "There are so many good schools that it is really hard to decide on which one to go to, but I think I'm going to enjoy Wright State," said Michelle Allen.

Many students felt they have had enough school and would rather go to work than college. "I'm not sure where I'm going to work, but I think almost anywhere will be better than going to school," said Kevin Roeckner.

Many students enjoy family life and decided to get married. Even though marriage seemed the answer for some students, many still planned to attend college full time or part time.

"It's really hard deciding what to do after high school, and it's scary to think that my whole future depends on this one decision," stated Cindy Abbott. "It's a big decision, but I guess it's one that everyone has to make sometime," added Tonya Lane.



CHARLES RATLIFF-student. EDWARD REBOULET-Backpacking club 4; Fishing club 4. JEFF REED-Varsity F 4; tennis 2, 3,4. SHARON REED-student.



TERRY REICHERT-band 2,3,4. AMY REIGELSPERGER-Rhythmettes 2; DE 3,4. TERI REIGELSPERGER-student secretary 2,3; FBLA 4; Pep club 2; general clerical 3,4. PATRICIA REILLY-student.



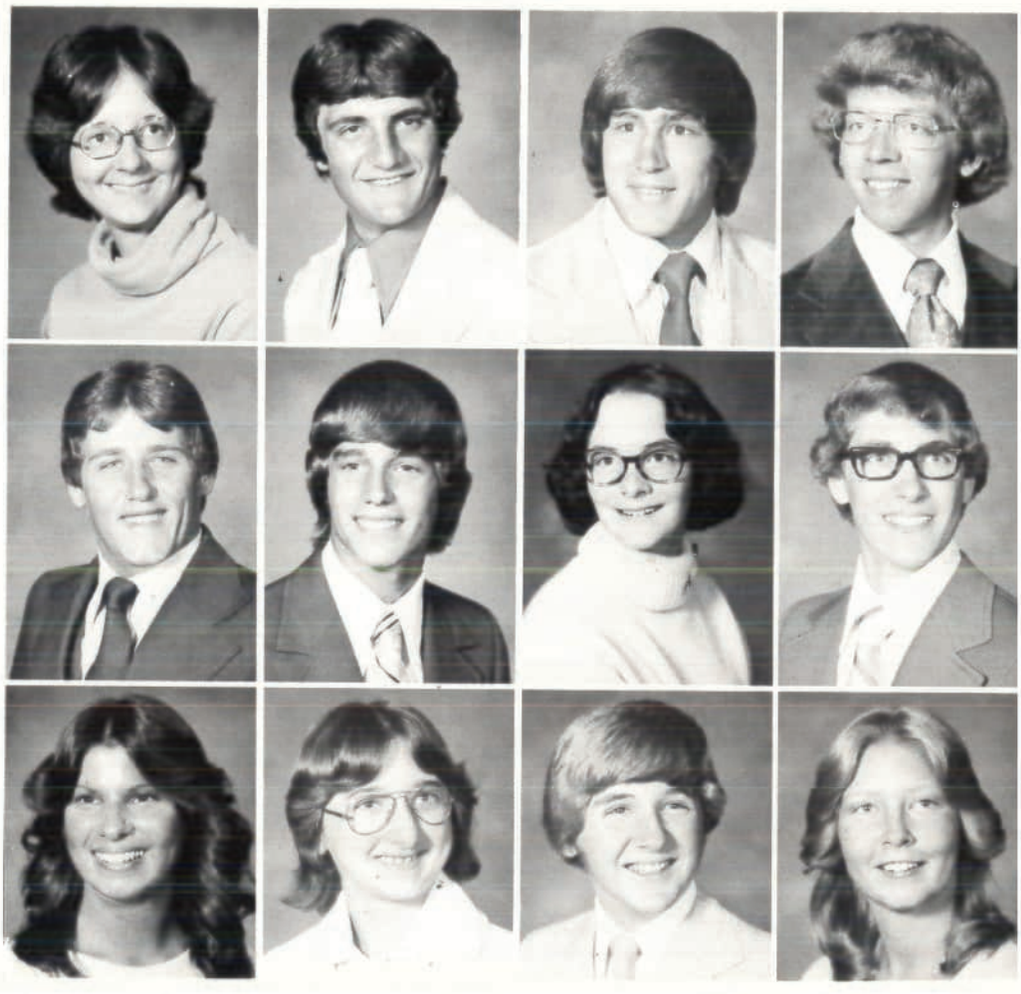
DAVID REINHARD-student. TERRI REINHEIMER-chorus 3; office assistant 3; honor roll 2,3,4, tennis 2,3,4. KRISTA RICHARDSON-French club 2,3,4; Ski club 2; Backpacking club 3,4. ANITA RIGGS-office assistant 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4.

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JULIE RILEY-student. DAVID RODEHAVER-Varsity F 4; FCA 4; basketball 2,3, 4. KEVIN ROECKNER-Varsity F 4; football 3,4; track 2,4; wrestling 4. JAMES ROGERS-band 2,3,4, orchestra 3,4; WKET-FM 2,3,4.

PAUL ROHRBACK-student. DOUGLAS ROSENGARTEN-student. JO ROSS-office assistant 3,4, French club 2; Math club 4; Backpacking club 2,3,4. WILLIAM RUHICC 4; Chess club 2; Math club 3, president 4; morning announcer 4; honor roll 2,3,4.

DIANE SARMIR-Rhythmettes 2. DIANNE SCHEPERS-office assistant 2,3,4; FBLA 2,3,4; Pep club 2; honor roll 2,3,4. DAVID SCHMIDT-German club 2; WKET-FM 3. JOYCE SCHNEIDER-student council 2,3,4; French club 2,3,4; cheerleader 2; Math club 4; Ski club 2,3,4; Backpacking club 2; honor roll 2,3,4.



West elects Younkman as quee

School activities played an important part in Judy Younkman's life. Students nominated her for Homecoming court and later elected her as the Queen. Judy stated in a senior survey, "Being chosen for Queen was my most-memorable experience at West."

Judy held the president's position in the Inter-Club Council, as well as carrying the responsibilities of vice-president of Student Council. Being an active participant in the graphic arts program, Judy supervised all of the printing for Student Council, such as the tickets and posters for the class plays and dances.

Judy forfeited her study hall to work as student assistant for graphic arts teacher William Martin. "Judy is my right-hand person. She is very helpful, a good student and excellent in the graphic arts area. She has taken every course we have to offer."

Judy studied hard for her good grades but still had time to spend with friends. Senior Mary Micklos stated, "Judy is a very special and gifted person. She tries extra hard to get along well with everybody. She is sincere about everything she does."

In her spare time, Judy became involved in extra-curricular hobbies including arts and crafts. She demonstrated her artistic abilities through painting, sewing and sketching.



At the end of the day, Judy Younkman spends her sixth period as a student asistant.

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JAMES SCHULZ-wrestling 2,4; football 2. ERIC SCHWARK-student. ANTHONY SCURLOCK-basketball 2,3,4, football 2,3,4; track 2,3,4. JEFFREY SEIBERT-graphics communications 3,4.



CHRISTOPHER SEWELL-student. JOHN SEXTON-baseball 2,3; basketball 2; football 2. EILEEN SHANNON-musical 2,3,4; orchestra 2,3,4; Math club 3, Ski club 2,3,4; field hockey 2,3, co-captain 4; track 2,4. PEGGY SHANNON-musical 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4; gymnastics 2.



HOLLY SHAW-chorus 2; bookstore worker 3,4; French club 2,3,4; JCOWA 2,3,4; DRAGON TALES 3, business manager 4. ERIC SHEAFFER-French club 2; Fishing club 2,3; football 2,3,4. BRENDA SHOPE-musical 2; orchestra 2; office assistant 2; WKET-FM 2; general clerical 3,4. LORRAINE SHORT-musical 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4; student secretary 2; Pep club 2.



TINA SHORT-Belmont H.S. 2; office assistant 2, Ski club 4. MICHAEL SHUMARD-cross country 2,3,4; track 2,3,4. CARL SHOVER-DCT 2; Photography club 2. PATRICIA SISK-student.



JEFFREY SMITH-fall play 3,4; winter play 3,4; NFL 2,3,4; WKET-FM 2,3,4. JENNIFER SMITH-Pep club 2,3; French club 2; cheerleader 2,3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. JOHN SMITH-musical 4; band 2,3,4; orchestra 3,4; track 2,3,4. VIVIAN SMITH-ICC 4; Pep club 2,3; cheerleader 2,3,4; Quill & Scroll 3,4; FCA 4; DRAGON 3, editor 4; honor roll 2,3,4.



AMY SNYDER-student secretary 3; French club 2,3,4; Ski club 2,3,4; DRAGON 4; tennis stat 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. KRISTINE SNYDER COE 4; FBLA 2; general clerical 3. LAURA SNYDER-student. PAUL SOMERS-track 2,3,4; wrestling 2,3,4.

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TAMI SPOHN-DCT 4. PAULA STAMAS-student. ROBERT STANFORD-German club 2; REC 2; Science club 3; WKET-FM 2. JOHN STANLEY-stage crew 3; basketball 2,3,4; Varsity F 4.



ANN STAUDTER-student secretary 2; office assistant 2; Pep club 2; Spanish club 2. DAVID STEINKE-student. DAVID STEPHENS-student. JACK STEVISON-Fairmont East 2; DECA 3,4; DE 3,4.



THOMAS STIERS-lab assistant 2,3,4; Ski club 2. PAUL STORK-student. SALLY STRITENBERGER-student. DAVID STUTSON-Varsity F 4; soccer 2,3,4.



SUZY SULC-Rhythmettes 2,3; Pep club 2; Ski club 4. ROBERT SURIANO-band 2,3,4; musical 4; orhcestra 2,3,4; Varisty F 4; baseball 3,4. ROBERT SUTHERLAND-Varsity F 3; DCT 4; Starbase I 4. TIMOTHY SWABB-German club 2,3; Chess club 2,3,4; Math club 2,3,4; NFL 4; Backpacking club 2,3.



ROY SWAMY-student. JOHN SWARTZEL-Chess club 3; Math club 4; Dragon Bell 3. MICHAEL SZOTAK-office assistant 3. JOEL TAYLOR-bookstore worker 4; ICC 3; Photography club, president 3. DRAGON TALES 3,4; DRAGON 4.



MARTHA TAYLOR-musical 2,3,4; chorus 2,3,4, stage crew 3, French club 2,3,4; AFS 3,4; JCOWA 2,3; FCA 3; honor roll 2,3,4. DEAN TEAFORD-Varsity F 2,3,4; Backpacking club 3,4; cross country 2,3,4; track 2,3,4. SANDRA THIEL-student secretary 4; general clerical 3,4. DOUGLAS THOMPSON-Ski club 3; Backpacking club 4.



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urshtan holds musical positions



Senior Lauri Burshtan, to most people known as 'Bushwoman,' made outstanding achievements both in and out of school during her three years in high school. Lauri spent most of her time in the music department, holding positions in all musicals, marching, concert and stage bands plus orchestra.

Music always played a role in her life. She began playing the French horn eight years ago and continued to broaden her abilities by taking private lessons. Lauri devoted a lot of time to her instrument. "She is an accomplished player with a lot of talent," stated Jim Lehman.

Out of school Lauri participated in the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Orchestra for five years. She held the principle chair for three years. Lauri traveled to the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music summer institute for two summers and went to the Indiana University Instrumental clinic one year. She held the first chair there over 17 other horn players.

Lauri portrayed the vivacious flower shop lady in the junior class play, "If a Man Answers." Students also selected her as the junior class president.

Senior Paula Giallombardo commented, "There is only one 'Bush' and everyone knows her. She is one of the funniest people I have ever met. She always has a great big smile on her face. I'll never forget all of her antics."

During a sixth period rehearsal, Lauri Burshtan plays the French horn in orchestra.



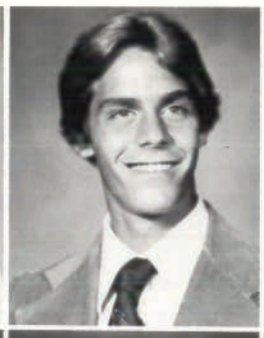
MICHAEL TIBBS-student. KIMBERLY TODD-Homecoming court 4; Rhythmettes 2,3, lieutenant 3; class secretary 3; honor roll 2,3,4. THOMAS TOWLER-student. CHRISTINE TREOLO-student.

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DOUGLAS VANCE-Pep club 2; Backpacking club 2,3,4. LUCAS VAN'T HOOG-Backpacking club 2. TAMMI VAN WINKLE-Ski club 2,3,4. SANDRA VICTOR-AFS 2, 3; honor roll 2,3,4.

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JOHN WALTHER-DECA 4, Varsity F 2,3,4; Ski club 2; football 2,3,4; track 2,3. TIMOTHY WANWICK-WKET-FM 4. GERALD WARREN-student. KATHLEEN WATERN-Varsity F 2,3,4; FCA 2, volleyball 2, most-improved 3; most-valuable, captain 4; basketball 2,3, captain 4; softball 2,3,4; track 2.



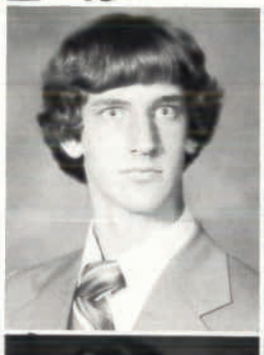



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SCOTT WEISS-Varsity F 2,3,4; Latin club 3,4; Chess club 3,4; Math club 3,4; honor roll 2,3,4. JOSEPH WENNING-DCT 4. SUE WERLINE-student secretary 3, honor roll 2,3,4. JAMES WEYRAUCH-musical 2,3,4; band 2,3,4; orchestra 2,3,4; Math club 3; honor roll 2,3,4.






MARY WHITNEY-musical 2,3,4; lab assistant 4; Ski club 2,3,4; volleyball 2,3; track 2. SALLY WIDMAN-Ski club 2,3,4; Backpacking club 4; honor roll 2,3,4; Dragon Bell 3; scholar athlete 4. NOREEN WILKUS-musical 4; Rhythmettes 2,3,4; FBLA 4; honor roll 2,3,4. BRAD WILLIAMS-lab assistant 2; FCA 2; Ice hockey club 2,3.






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eniors chose Florida as vacation spot



Florida proved the most-popular vacation spot for seniors over their spring break. Most students traveled in large groups staying close with friends. The favorite locations ranged from F. Lauderdale to Daytona Beach.

Senior Paula Stamas commented after her trip, "It was so nice to get away from school and relax, but the best thing was all the cute guys." Paula and friend Christy Pretzinger both felt getting away and a tan rated among the most-important reasons for their week-long excursion.

Group travel aslo helped cut expenses. Senior Joan Randall explained, "With all of our friends riding down together we could cut costs on gas and rooms, with more money to spend."

Many people remained home for the spring break. Baseball, softball and track participants stayed for various games, practices and meets. Finances provided another obstacle for others who spent the break at home.

Among the team members mixed emotions concerning spring break did not hinder team spirit. Senior runner Pam McGarry stated, "Even though I could not go away for the break, track has made it all worthwhile."

At Daytona Beach seniors Eric Frick, Bob Bahner and Pat Moultney lounge with some newly acquired friends.

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Juniors broaden opportunity with new ideas

New concepts and ideas gave the junior class more freedom and more responsibilities. For the first time, juniors had the opportunity to choose specific teachers for many classes.

In addition, the student council worked with representatives from each homeroom. These representatives urged their classmates to perform important jobs during the Junior-Senior Prom and help in the winter play.

Juniors chose as their officers: president, Joe Nealon; vice-president, Vivian VonGruenigen; secretary, Karen Diorio, treasurer, Chris Waltz; and social chairman, Vivette Allen. Joe Nealon said, "It was an honor for me to be chosen president."

Fund raising projects for the junior class included the sale of magazine subscriptions in each of the homerooms and a garage sale during the summer. In the fall, the junior class collected money for the United Appeal campaign. Through all of these efforts, the amount raised totaled $425.

In the social area, the junior class officers again planned the May 5 prom. The Old Red Barn on Shiloh Springs Road served as the location for the annual event. Vivian VonGruenigen said, "Joe Nealon and I were very excited about planning the prom and were glad that it was such a success."

Class officers for '78–79 chose "Harvey" as the winter play, shown on March 8, 9 and 10. Senior Greg Kurtz played the lead role of Elwood P. Dowd. Junior Amy Diederich played Veta Louise Simmons, with Elizabeth Zajovits as Mrs. Myrtle Simmons.



Sant, Joel Taylor, and elves, Kim Travillian and Sharon Patterson portray holiday cheer on the final day before Christmas vacation.



Joe Nealon, president; Chris Waltz, treasurer; Vivette Allen, social chairman; Vivan VonGruenigen, vice-president and Karen Diorio, secretary.



Junior Tim Black decides whether to keep the football or pitch it on an option play.

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Tina Anderson
Timothy Armstrong
Lawrence Arway
Marlene Ashley
Richard Bahner
Sylvia Bailey



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Leslie Balog
Lisa Baltes
Patricia Banks
Kevin Bardon
Paul Barnhart
Steve Barnhouse
Kenneth Barrie



Linda Barrie
Amy Baskett
Rebecca Bayless
David Beal
Patty Beavers
Eric Becker
Theresa Begley
Dona Behymer



Phillip Bergstedt
Elizabeth Bernard
Gregory Bernard
Ann Bertolone
Alice Betts
Leslie Beyer
Larry Bisping
Timothy Black



Kimberly Blackburn
Darla Bladen
Wendy Blake
Brian Blankenship
Mark Blodgett
Edward Blue
Terrence Bockhorn
Bruce Bohachek



Dane Bohrer
Peter Bomida
Kathleen Bowker
Cameron Boyd
David Bradbury
Timothy Brahm
Victor Brahm
John Brannick



Renee Brasier
Karl Breidenbach
James Brennan
Thomas Britt
Denise Britton
Linay Brodbeck
Ann Brown
Susan Brown



Tina Brown
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Diana Burcham
Daniel Burkhardt
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Bradley Dunlevy
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Jennifer Garwood
Sharon Garwood
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Theresa Heitkamp
John Hemker
Michael Hendricks
Michelle Henry
Kevin Herzog
Charles Hewitt
Michael Hill

Greg Kelly receives Irish dance awards



Earning seventeen medals and two trophies, (nine first place awards among these), junior Greg Kelly, an Irish dancer, acquired recognition for nine years of performance. Greg's six brothers and sisters also took part in the Irish folklore, including Jacqueline Kelly, a sophomore.

Greg and Jacqueline accompanied brothers Michael (8), and Kevin (11), and sisters Maureen (10), Kathleen (13), and Siobhan (14), with the recent addition of their mother, Janet, to a weekly lesson under the instruction of a teacher from Ireland.

Different age groups cast The Irish Kerry Dancers, a set of approximately sixty members. The Kelly clan, components of this organization, named themselves the Kelly Kerry Dancers outside of it. Intricate embroidery and authentic Irish jewelry set off the solid shaded outfits worn by the Kelly dancers.

Performances at all kinds of social events involved the Kelly Kerry Dancers. Numerous public appearances along with television coverage and newspaper articles showed the artistic talent of the family.

Each summer, the Kelly dancers competed againist others throughout the U.S. and Canada, and persistently received trophies and medals. At the international Cultural Ethnic Association of 1978, a contest challenging five different countries in Irish dance, the Kelly Kerry Dancers took home first place.

Close friend, Bruce Bohachek, expressed his pride in Greg, "To see the kind of person that Greg Kelly is, think of a person who possesses a fine personality, a keen mind and a burning optimism. His ambition to succeed is clearly reflected in the way that he pursues everything he does."

Performing an Irish folklore, junior Greg Kelly and sophomore Jacqueline Kelly along with brother and sisters Kevin, Maureen and Siobhan dance at Van Buren.

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Richard Hoffman
Gregory Hohl
Sharon Hollins
Robert Hoover
Christian Horton



Kim Horwedel
Dana Howerton



Suzanne Hubbard
Jeanne Hudson

Junior participates in stat



Girls volleyball won the state tournament in their '78 season. Gwen Nielson, the only junior on the varsity team, traveled to and played in the state competition.

Aside from varsity volleyball, Gwen played varsity basketball and track. She also participated in the Kettering Striders. Gwen won many awards with the Striders, including two track and field MVP's.

Gwen found time for Spanish Club and Orchestra. Outside of school she held active roles as a member of the choir and vice-president of the youth group at her church, and participated in Girl Scouts.

During the summer Gwen played with the NCR Youth Band. She also attended summer school, basketball and volleyball camps. Mimi Nielson, Gwen's mother, said, "Gwen is involved in so many activities it's hard to keep track of her, but she likes to be involved in everything."

Gwen's volleyball coach, Fran Eden said, "Gwen used to get really uptight before games. She's begun to overcome this, and this helped us to win the first Mercy game."



Shawn Huffman
Kimbra Innis



Suzanne Ioas
James Jackson

Gwen Nielson shows outside interest whi displaying her musical talent.

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Anthony Jones
Sue Jorgensen
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Carol Julien
Deanna Keckler



Russell Keeney
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Mark Kelly
Suzanne Kelly
Doreen Keyes
Konrad Kircher
Karen Kiser
Jane Kleinmann



David Klemm
Cynthia Klosterman
Robert Knight
Lynn Knoepfle
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Lisa Muncy
Patrick Murphy
Teresa Nangle
Nancy Naylor
Joseph Nealon
Christopher Neer
Michael Nestor
Dien Nguyen



Kerry Nickell
Mark Niekamp
Gwen Nielson
Sandra Noe
Jay Norrod
John Norton
Carol O'Bryan
William O'Bryan



Kenneth Ochs
Kathleen Ochs
Mark Odum
Diane Ogden
Cheryl OMeara
Daniel Osterfield
Gregory Oswalt
Douglas Overbay



Mark Owen
Janelle Parks
Teri Parks
Cheryl Parrish
Sharon Patterson
Jeanette Paul
Susan Pierce
Carol Penwell



Scott Perkins
Brenda Perry
Julie Perry
Robert Peterson
Cynthia Philips
Pamela Philpot
Pamela Piquet
Tara Pinsky



Kenny Plance
Thomas Pohle
Cathy Poling
William Potter
Kimberly Prater
Klaus Price
Richard Price
Tracey Price



Shelburne Prince
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Sherrie Riley
Robin Rodehaver
Ralph Rogers
Brenda Rosell
Michael Ross
Kim Ruetschle
Marianne Ruse

Michael Ryan
Monica Ryan
Rachael Sanchez
Vicky Sanders
Yvonne Sanders
Mark Savino
Douglas Sawyer
Christopher Schill

McCarthy wins ribbons for swimming



Junior swimmer, Jim McCarthy showed spirit and determination while swimming on the Dayton Dolphins. On a normal weekday, Jim practiced in the morning for one hour and after school for two more hours. His hard work and dedication won him many ribbons and helped his team to win.

On and off the team Jim made many friends. He participated in other activities like the football team in school and church activities out of school. "Sac, a nickname his friends gave him, and I have been friends a long time, and we have had a lot of fun together," said Doug Whitmer.

Traveling to Tennessee for the Nashville Invitational meet, Jim contributed by helping the team morale. "Jim has a lot of spirit which gives him the ability to get everybody up and going," commented Tom Sawyer.

Freestyle proved as Jim's best stroke. He swam the 200 yard individual medley and the 500 yard freestyle events. "His goal is to break the five minute mark in the 500 yard freestyle. He'll probably do it before the year ends," stated Shari Dearing.

After swimming for the Dolphins, Jim swam for Fairmont West in the state competition. Jim ranked in the top 20 swimmers in the state. His dedication and hard work paid off as he showed very well.

Jim McCarty swims the breaststroke during one of his many lengthy practices for the Dayton Dophin's swim team.



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Juniors play active role in West activitie



Susan Pierce smiles out to the crowd as she finishes her performance to "Dance With Me" in the football game against North.



While watching the game at UD Arena Lynn Knoepfle cheers the Dragons on as they score two points against Alter Knights.

Steffi Seeberger
Cinda Sensel
Janice Sessler
Larae Setser
Shawn Sexton
Ronald Seyersdahl
Jane Shaeffer
Matthew Shampton



Susan Shannon
John Sharp
Mary Shields
Danny Shockey
Rickey Shockey
Anthony Shubert
Randy Silvey
Rachelle Simms



Sharon Sisco
Yale Skipworth
Cynthia Smalley
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Theresa Smith
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Yontz Sucre
Sherryl Sudduth



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Gina Tackett
Jana Taylor
Teresa Tehan
Sharon Thieman
James Thompson
Robert Thompson
Thomas Thygerson



Timothy Tinker
Judith Topp
Warren Tracy
Kimberly Travillian
Larry Trittschuh
Lisa Troxell
Amanda Turner
Melissa Valiquette



Steve Vanatta
Cheryl Vanoss
David Vaughn
Kimberly Vinings
Viv VonGruenigen
Gary Vore
Joseph Wagner
Carolyn Walter



Michael Walters
Kathy Walthall
David Walton
Christopher Waltz
Mike Wannemacher
Joanne Warren
Eric Watne
Denise Watson



Tammy Webb
Warren Webster
Steven Weimer
Tad Wertz
Sandra West
Paul Wharton
Daniel Wheeler
Michael Wheeler



Wendy Whipp
James White
Douglas Whitmer
Jeffrey Will
Terri Williams
Tina Williams
Tana Winchek
David Wittoesch



David Wolf
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Lydia Wrist
Tammy Wurts
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Shanda Young
Sherri Young
Anne Zahner



Elizabeth Zajovits
Thomas Zonaras

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Sophomores have new ideas for services

Sophomores brought new ideas for money raising projects and services aiding the community. Projects included a magazine sale, wrapping gifts at Christmas time, and getting involved in JCOWA's Foreign Bazaar.

Sophomores received four awards at the annual JCOWA Foreign Bazaar in October. Awards included first place in entertainment, second in both construction and in foods. First place overall for the best booth went to the sophomores.

In the early part of the school year, sophomores held a magazine sale. Money earned went toward activities such as dances held by student council. The sale succeeded with a net earning shy of $300.

Before Christmas many sophomores spent spare time wrapping gifts to help the community. Julie Pfaff stated, "Lots of people showed up to get packages wrapped." They wrapped gifts at the World Bazaar in Town and Country Shopping Center.

Officers for the sophomore class consisted of president, John Reagan; vice-president, Susan Janco; social chairman, Julie Pfaff; secretary, Shari Meixner, treasurer, Jackie Kelly. During an interview on sophomore acitvities, Susan Janco stated, "I was really impressed by the sophomore participation in the Foreign Bazaar.



During the fourth period chorus class, sophomore Peggy Hughes, Carol Meininger and Meg Miller begin practicing a number for the annual winter concert.



Officers for the sophomore class include treasurer, Jackie Kelly; president, John Regan; social-chairman, Julie Pfaff; vice-president, Susan Janco and secretary, Shri Meixner.



Reserve cheerleader Julie Walther does the fight song routine during halftime at the Springfield North game.

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James Alflen
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Marsha Atchison
Michelle Atchison
Susan Awsumb
John Bailey
Linda Bailey
Bradley Baird

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Maureen Boland
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Sean Branigan

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Mike Breitenstein
Kathryn Broad
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Joseph Brooks
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Andrew Brownfield
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Douglas DuRose
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Cheryl Guest



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Robert Hack
Jay Haffner
Timothy Hafner
Stephanie Hale
James Hall
William Halpin
Lisa Hammond



James Hansen
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Linda Hardin
Donald Hardy
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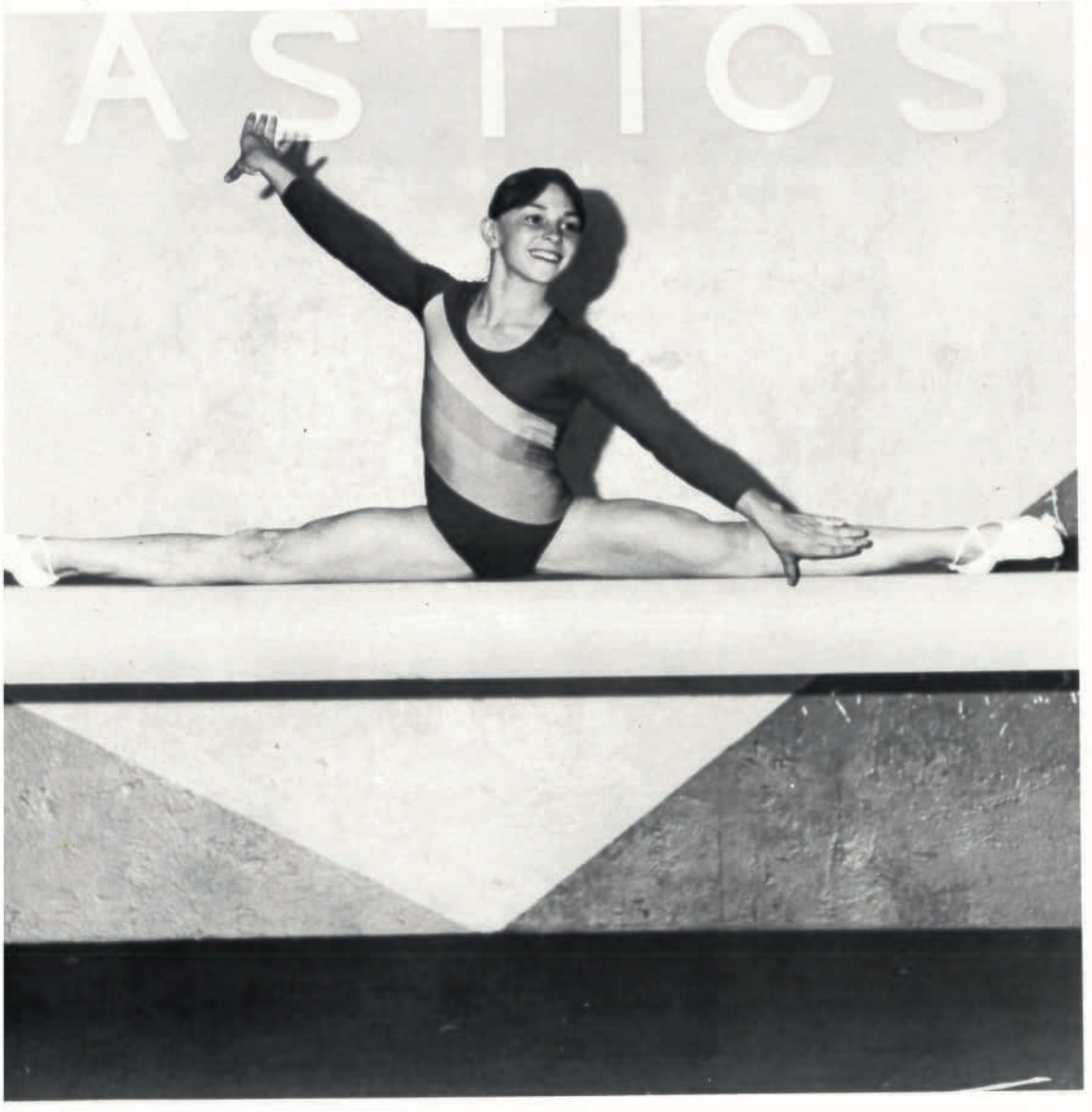


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Gymnast sets high goal for 1980 Olympics



Setting the 1980 Olympics in Moscow as her ultimate goal, gymnast Kelly McCoy anticipated hours of practice and hard work. She worked out six hours a day, five days a week, and still maintained a top-rank grade position in the sophomore class.

Kelly, a member of the Twigs Organization, became interested in gymnastics at the age of nine. A year later, she began to compete and place high in events held in England, East Germany, South Africa and many parts of the United States.

Although Kelly competes as an all around performer, her best events include floor excercise and vaulting. She ended her vaulting routine with a one and a-half front somersault, a feat no other United States gymnast can accomplish. Once, in competition she received a score of perfect ten after executing this move.

Kelly achieved the rank of the fourth elite gymnast in the United States. In 1976, she gained the title of National Champion in the advanced competition. Two years ago, Kelly held a position on the U.S. team against Czechoslovkia. Also, in 1977 she won the title of Ohio Champion.

Even though gymnastics took most of Kelly's time, she enjoyed other leisure activities, water skiing, for example. Carol Meininger said "Kelly is very busy, but when she isn't practicing she enjoys spending time with her family and friends. She is always smiling."

Sophomore Kelly McCoy shows her gymnastic talent while doing straddles on the beam



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Jacqueline Kelly
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Matthew Kemna
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Julie Klase
Colleen Knapp
Henry Knight
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Kristin Koranda
James Krebs
Charles Kuhnwald
Tina Lacy



Sophomores test driving skill to get licens

During the tenth grade every sophomore looked forward to getting his driver's license. Expanding interests, less dependence on parents and larger social lives prompted the urge to drive. Driving solved problems and provided new experiences and responsibilities.

Most sophomores got very excited when they began to drive, but each new driver took on the responsibility to behave courteously and safely. "I like taking on the responsibility of driving," stated Eric Harris, "It's a challenge to be a defensive driver."

Looking forward to driving excited many sophomores. Jim Miles said, "I am really excited about getting my driver's license. The best thing about driving is not having to rely on my parents to drive me around."

Driving seemed to be a necessity to many sophomores. Problems arose when sophomores need transportation to jobs and social activites. Thus, driving provided the best possible answer. Because of the new skill, the sophomores experienced and learned a variety of new values.

Driving opened a new and different world to the underclassmen. "Now that I can drive, I can see and do a lot of exciting things," commented Kathy Broad. Motoring expanded the scope of life for sophomores and enabled them to meet new people and see new places.



Learning how to drive, sophomore Kathy Broad practices skills she's acquired.

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Roberta Lee
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Lori Leonard
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Weston Mangold
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Sophomores receive variety of class rings



Sophomores shared a common anxiousness with a few of the upperclassmen in awaiting the arrival of their class rings. Once received, a sense of excitement pervaded the campus as students exhibited and compared the new element of pride that they possessed.

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Dawn Meifert, a sophomore, commented on her purchase of a class ring. "I was really looking forward to getting my ring because it gave me a feeling of pride and a feeling of really belonging in high school."

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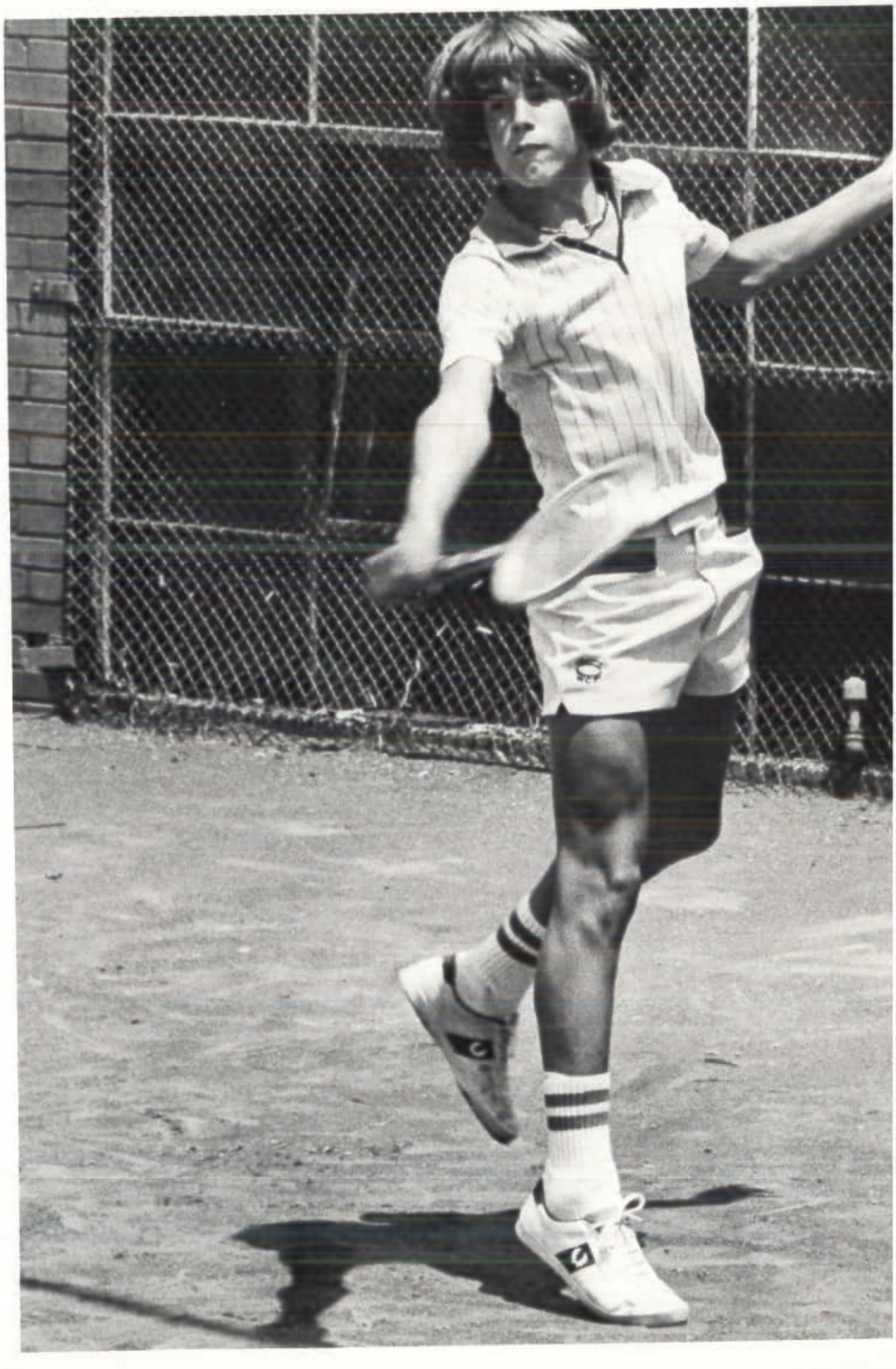
Sophomore excels in tennis

Fully involving himself in tennis activities both in and out of school, sophomore Scott Foreman took both time and effort to become a western states ranked player. He did well in many junior tennis championships as well as in men's divisions.

Scott exhibited his talents by doing well in local tournaments and working his way toward national recognition. "Scott is a very dedicated and successful junior tennis player," stated Kathy Broad. He contributed his success to many hours of practice.

Scott practiced at least one and a-half hours a day in the winter and two to three in the summer. "Scott works hard and is a promising tennis player," said coach Dave DeLancy. His active play consisted of practices with coaches Larry Turville and Dave DeLancy.

Scott enjoyed tennis and planned his future tournament goals carefully. These plans included a trip to Europe for competition. He also made plans to play the pro circuit when he reaches the age eligibilty.



Sophomore Scott Foreman concentrates on the ball as he hits a powerful backhand.

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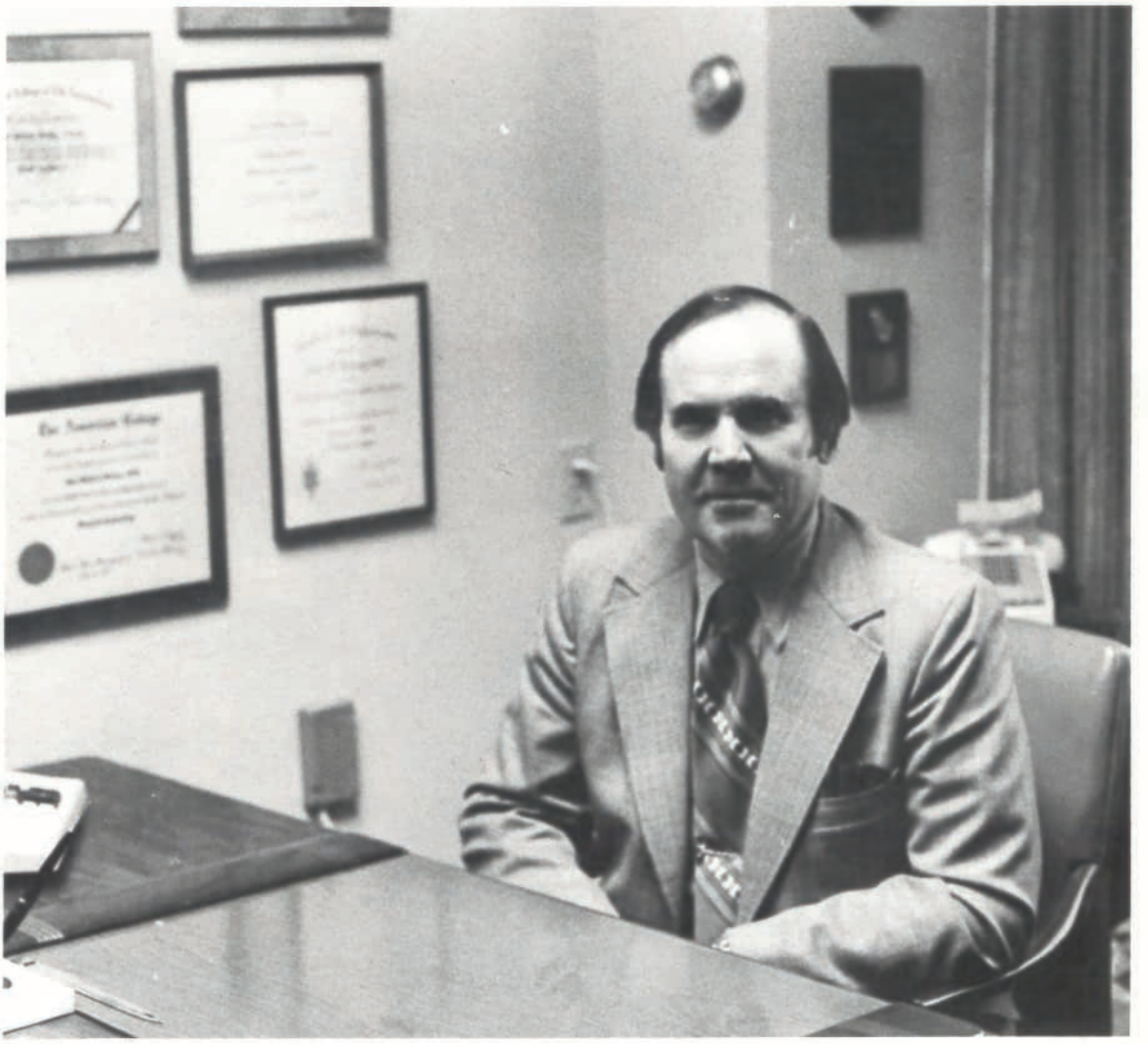
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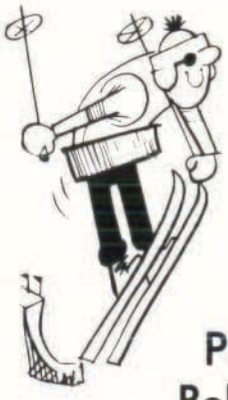
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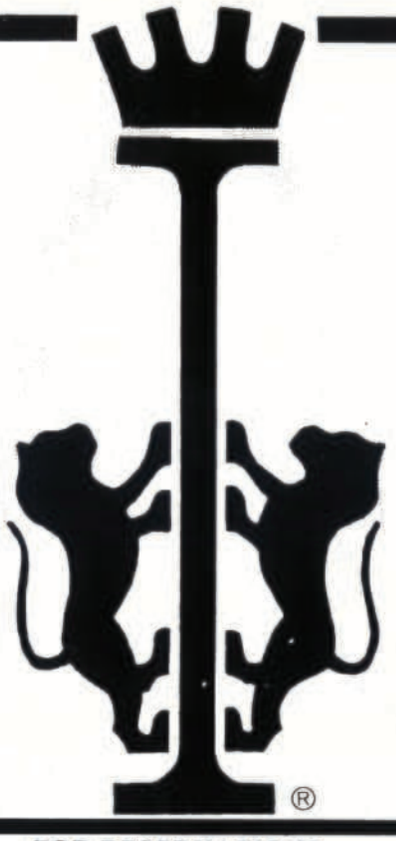
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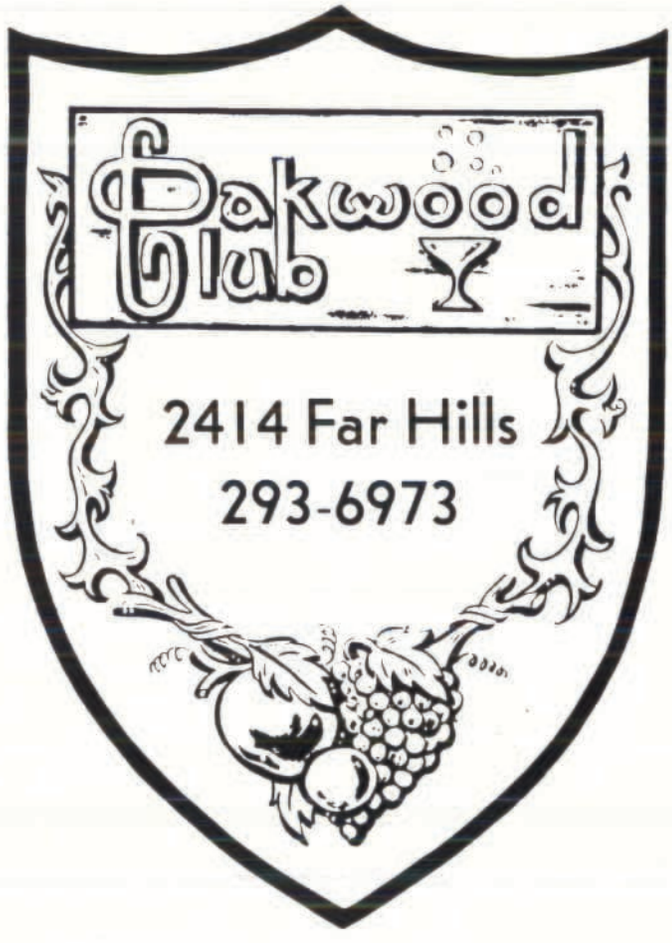
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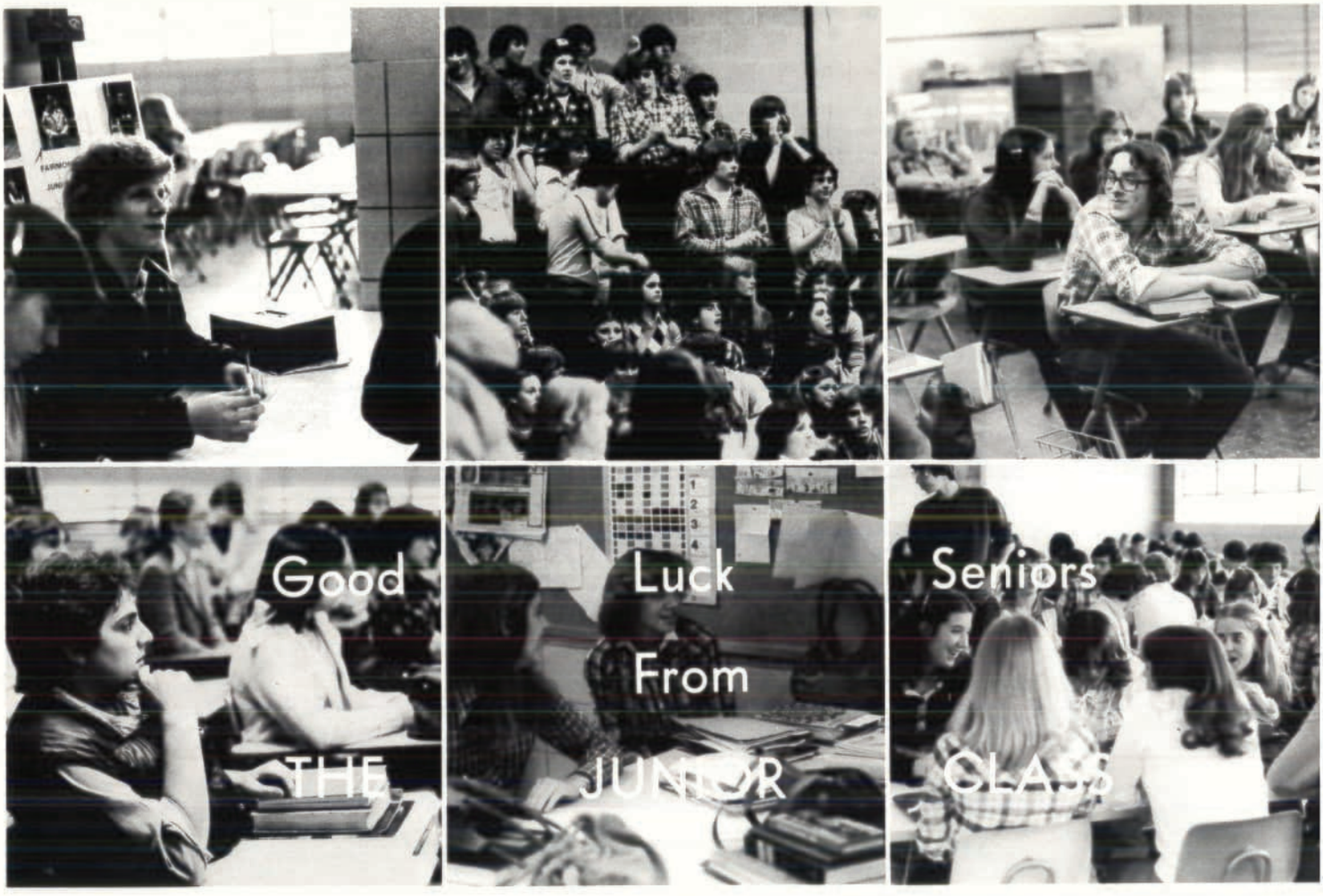
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Family members proudly watch the graduates march into the UD Arena.





Several graduating seniors perform for the last time in the Fairmont West Orchestra.

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Vocational students take a few minutes to look over notes before a test.

Junior Mark Savino listens to a lecture given by his English teacher.





In their sixth period photography class Matt Miller and Paul Johnston work with a camera as Ralph Price looks on.

At a pep assembly, Mr. Leggs contestants await the announcement of the winner.



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Leaving for Florida, seniors Joan Randall and Michelle Allen load their belongings into their camper.





Year of modification reaches completion for West students

As the year drew to a close students became anxious for the summer vacation ahead. The old familar "senioritis" set in as seniors realized the approaching end of their high school days.

The year had proved full of changes for all involved with school. We had encountered the new faculty members and participated in new classes. We tried new ideas which brought West more spirit. Cheerleaders held a Mr. Legs contest during a winter pep assembly. Student council held a Christmas dance and at the March turnabout dance they held a Monte Carlo.

We all became a part of the overall change of face. Individualy we watched and together accomplished the changes.

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Clubs, sports teams bring home awards, WOL Championships

Trying our best, we faced all challenges with a positive attitude. Victory or defeat we always came back and tried again. We won our share of WOL championships and had our share of losses. Speech teams brought home awards almost every weekend during their season. DECA, FBLA and other business clubs participated in state and local competition and won titles. Other clubs set goals and completed them through-out the year.

We learned through our experiences with different people and faced changing problems.



Senior Beth Grahm watches the audience as she performs with the band during halftime of a football game.

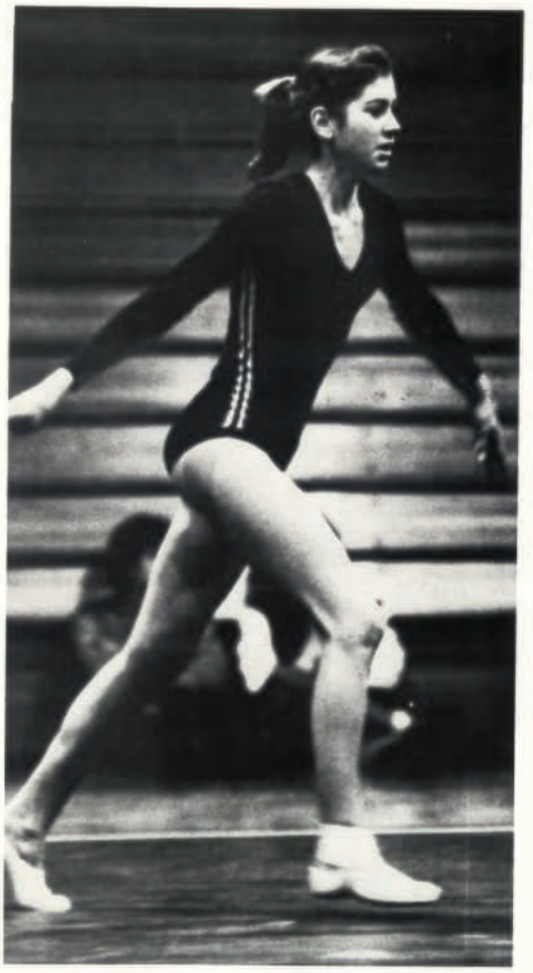
While participating in one of many hikes, backpacking club members take a few minutes to look at the scenery around them.

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In a practice relay, Scott Hickey hands off the baton to Tony Cappadora.



Judy Topp performs her routine on the floor that helped her team win WOL.





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During a fall pep assembly the student body shows their enthusiasm to win.





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At the Homecomming dance, two Westonians dance to the sounds of Cross-Fire.



Craig Hunley closely watches the progress of the East-West football game.



Seniors bid farewell to high school years facing changes ahead

We began the year with alterations and variations and ended with our modifcation to the changes. We as individuals had changed through the year. As sophomores we came to West unknowing what lies ahead and as juniors we wonder. As seniors we left thinking we knew what our future held for us.

We will remember this year through memories. The dances, competition, plays, teachers, friends and many other activities made the year unforgettable. Most of all we will remember 1979 as the year West underwent

A Change of Face...



Karen Kiser takes a break while waiting for other ski club members to join her at the bottom of a hill at Sugar Creek.

George Janco, Eric Frick and Pete Bowker work in a room helping out the Kettering Jaycees at their Haunted House.

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Book cuts pages, raises patron price to meet rising costs

For the first year, the **Dragon** had to take a drastic cut in the amount of pages due to a lack of funds. A 64-page difference from the 1978 book caused the elimination of some spreads such as reserve teams and the combination of some clubs, academics and sports. Increasing the parent patrons from $2. to $5. aided the **Dragon** to meet costs.

Starting off the 1978–79 year, editors Kay Smith and Jeanette Meyer attended a two-week journalism workshop at Ball State University to gain new ideas on layout design and theme. Figuring out a cover design at BSU gave Kay and Jeanette a head start.

Staffers began selling advertisements in late summer and sold them up until November. Students worked to achieve a total of $7,000. since part of their first nine-weeks grade reflected upon their abilities as salesmen.

"After working on yearbook, I feel I learned more about writing skills in general. I also feel that yearbook is a good way to gain experience in public relations," stated senior Tonya Lane.

Six members highlighted the year with their iduction into Quill and Scroll, an honorary society for high school journalists. A ceremony held in the auditorium gave a chance for parents to see the formal ceremony and to have refreshments afterward.

Deadline dates became a time when no one wanted to bother adviser Judy Logan. She had a way of letting staffers know when deadlines drew closer. "Everyone was afraid to be late because you would get in deep trouble," added first-year member Robin Rodehaver.

With the year drawing to an end, the **Dragon** staff held a banquet at the Holland House. All seniors received a key chain for their work. Two-year members and especially hard-workers got other awards. The exchange of gag gifts from seniors entertained everyone. Guests included Fairmont West faculty and staff as well as Taylor representatives Terry and Gwen Hirtzinger.

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