Flashbacks occur at every twist and turn of students' careers. During high school they experience many things that they will never forget for the rest of their lives. The memories preserved in this yearbook were prepared with thoughtful consideration for the future. (Only around one hundred trees were cut down to make this project possible.)
The '50's was a time of post-war enthusiasm. Forty-five years and two wars later, the freshmen at HHS radiated the same enthusiasm as they journeyed through the first part of the year. The sophomores, through trials and tribulations, carried on with class duties when they returned for another year at school. The juniors went ahead with new classes and organized the traditional junior/senior Prom, and the seniors, hoping to create good memories of their last year, completed the last segment of their high school education. Several students revived a traditional symbol of school spirit and pride: letter jackets. By Maria S. Jeffers.

Freshmen and sophomores filter through the lunch line. Photo by Donna Parish.

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Rocky Ruhnke, Thatcher Reist, and Chris Collins, freshmen, select chemicals from a river testing kit to conduct a water test. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

The giant freshman toaster, glimmering in the sunlight, heads down Main Street in the procession of Homecoming floats. Photo by Nathan Priest.

Kristy Kelley, sophomore, chops away at a sewing pattern in Home-Ec. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
We've only just begun

--Freshmen

Megan Batchelder
Denise Blevins
Stephanie Blevins
Brant Clary

Eric Cole
Chris Collins
Colby Collins
Nolan Cruse

Karie Diveley
Cheyenne Dorrell
Stacey Fee
Kristy Green

Hilary Harness
Ashley Hill
Heather Hunsaker
Paul Idol
Emily Jeschke
Erin Jeschke
Rilie Kafer
Levi Lucas

Kelly Merkel
Kole Meyer
Mark Moler
Sondra Moler

Justin O'Bryan
Julie Pottorf
James Powell
Barbara Purvis

Thatcher Reist
Rocky Ruhnke
Dawn Simpson
Joe Swain

Adam Tyler
Jennifer Yates

Class Officers
Thatcher Reist  President
Chris Collins  Vice President
Emily Jeschke  Secretary
Kole Meyer  Treasurer
Rock around the clock

Norma Beck
Bridget Blevins
Chris Blevins
Mandy Brock
Jeff Butrick

Brook Gibson
Bobby Hopkins
Rachael Jeschke
Kristi Kelley
Brad McCauley

Nick Parker
Will Simmons
Shane Smith
Jason Tilton
Shawn Tilton

Angela Trusty
Clint Windmeyer
The sophomore class is riding on the winning float in the Homecoming Parade. The float had the theme "Rock The Chargers." Photo by Nathan Priest.

Bridget Blevins—"The worst thing at HHS is having to put up with barnyard noises from Wes Keller, Jason Davis, and Stephen Blevins."

Shawn Tilton—"The most brilliant thing said this year was by Bob Hopkins: 'You're invading my private space.'"

Angela Trusty—"If God created the school, why is He not here?"

Bob Hopkins—"Ma Parish isn't one to be messed with—unless you're named Mr."

Rachael Jeschke—"The weirdest thing I've heard said was by Mr. Hutchcraft, 'I'll let you have my brain, but I need it for my next class.'"
As time goes by

--Juniors

Mark Allen
Stephen Blevins
Jennifer Collins
Jason Davis

Dylan Dorrell
Jay Gormely
Courtney Harness
Wes Keller

Rebecca Lackey
Darin Peters
Nathan Priest
Jerry Rathmann

Tabitha Reist
Kim Ruhnke
Brian Simpson
Amanda Twombly
Not Pictured
Gary Beck

8 Juniors
Mark Allen, junior, and Ron Shelton, junior class sponsor, find their big hands full with tying the tiny ID tags to the delicate carnations. Photo by Donna Parish.

Jerry Rathmann- “The funniest thing that I saw this year was Wes Keller crawling on the floor while Pat Lackey was substituting for Parish.”

Gary Beck- “The scariest thing that I heard this year was Nathan Priest describing torture for Susan Smith.” (The woman who murdered her two sons.)

Amanda Twombly- “If I were dying, I would pass on this thought; pay attention to the people and things around you.”

Kim Ruhnke- “The funniest things that I have heard at HHS were said by Stephen Blevins and Wes Keller in Rush’s class.”
The small class of '95 had a unique, easy-going quality about them that will never be forgotten by their peers or by the teachers that taught them. The seniors of '95 have been through more ups and downs in four years that most people face in a lifetime.

Friends have come, gone, and sadly passed away. If you were once a classmate of the seniors of '95, you will always be a classmate in their hearts and memories.

The past four years have created twelve people that are willing and capable of reaching their dreams and getting the job that is in their near future. Good luck and God bless the seniors of '95. By Jaime Veach

Brian Vaught, senior, concentrates on one of the many assignments which require the use of the television and VCR. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
Seniors Jaime Veach and Katie Booth work hard to reach the deadline for the next newspaper. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Seniors Aurelia Nuzum, Jarrod Cluck, and MaLynda Brock give their full attention to the shark at hand. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Jaime Veach.
It's time

--Seniors

President: Malynna Brock
Vice President: Jaime Veach
Secretary: Katie Booth
Treasurer: Sherry Hamilton

Class Colors: Black & Silver

Class Motto:
Miles may separate
as years go along,
but the bond between friends
remains ever strong.

These pages designed by Maria Jeffers.

Kelli Lynn Cogdill
to) Get a Job

Danny Seoper

Angela Taylor

Sarah Simmons

Bian Vaughn

Aurelia Lach Nuzzo

Gaime Veach
Yesterday

--- Class History/Credits

Katie Booth - Valedictorian, Math/Science Award, Class President 9, Secretary 10 - 12, Journalism 11 & 12, Yearbook Editor 12, BB 9-12, VB 9-12, Track 9-12, 5th State in triple jump 10, Choir 9-12, I rating DVL and Regionals in S.C. Girls Ensemble 9, I rating DVL and Regionals in S.C. Ensemble 10, I rating DVL, Regionals, and State in S.C. Girls Ensemble 10, I rating DVL S.C. Ensemble 11, I rating DVL S.C. Girls Ensemble 11, I rating DVL in S.C. and Choir Ensembles 12, Band 9, Musical 9-12, NHS 10-12, NHS president 12, Christmas Royalty 9, Homecoming Queen 12, Cheerleader 9-12, SOS 9-12, StuCo 12, Kansas University Scholar 12, Governor’s Scholar 12, National Merit Scholar Nominee 12, Pres. Academic Fitness,

Malynda Brock - Class VP 9 & 10, President 11 & 12, Volleyball Mgr. 9-12, Choir I rating DVL 9, I rating DVL and Regional 10 & 12 SOS 9-12, StuCo Secretary 12, DVL Scholastic Achievement 9-11, Citizenship Award 11

Jason Button - Journalism 12, Football 12, BB 12, Track 12, NHS 11 & 12, King of Courts 12, StuCo 12, Warrensburg High School: Golf 9-11, BB 9 & 10

Jarrod Cluck - FFA 9-12, Star Greenhand 9, Star Chapter Farmer 12, State FFA Degree 12, NHS 10-12, SOS 9, StuCo 9 & 10

Sherry Hamilton - Class Treasurer 9-12, Journalism 10-12, BB 9 & 11, VB 9 & 10, Cross Country 12, Choir 9-12, Band 9, NHS 10-12, Queen of Courts Candidate, Homecoming Queen Candidate, StuCo Treasurer

Maria Jeffers - Salutatorian, Outstanding Vocalist Award, All-Around Student Award, Journalism 11-12, Newspaper editor 12, Quill & Scroll 11-12, VB 9-10, Choir 9-12, Swing Choir 10-12, NHS 10-12, Barnwarming Sweetheart Candidate 9, Christmas Queen Candidate 10, Homecoming Candidate 12, StuCo rep. 9, sec./treas. 10, president 12, I rating State piano 10,12; I rating Reg. piano 9, Vocal Solo I rating State 10-12, I rating Reg. vocal solo 9, Kansas Regents Honor 11, “I Dare You” leadership award 11, Musicals 9-12, Lead in South Pacific 9, Best Actress Award 9, Outstanding vocalist award 11, Accompanist 10-12, Art: district blue ribbon 9-10, SOS 10-12, NHS 10-12

Danny Leeper - Track 11

Aurelia Nuzum - Journalism 11 & 12, Volleyball 9, Track 9-11 Mgr. 12, FFA-12, Choir 9-12, Band I rating DVL, Regional, and State 11 & 12, Cheerleader 11 & 12, StuCo 9-11, Barnwarming Candidate 10

Sarah Simmons - BB 11-2nd Team All-Conference, 12-1st Team All-Conference, VB 11 & 12-2nd Team All-Conference, FFA Sweetheart 11, Queen of Courts 12, DVL Art Medal 11 & 12, Other School Class VP 9, President 10, NHS10, BB 9 & 10-Miss Hustle Award, Art Blue Ribbon 10

Angie Taylor - BB 9-12, VB 9-12, Track 9-12, FFA 11 & 12, Band 9, I ratings solo and ensemble 11 & 12, Music/Band Award, Cheerleader 10 & 11

Jaime Veach - Class President 10, VP 11 & 12, BB Mgr. 9, FFA Sweetheart Candidate 9, Choir 9-11, Homecoming, Queen of Court Candidate, Journalism 11 & 12, Stuco 12, S.O.S 9-12, Volleyball 9 & 10, Quill and Scroll 11 & 12, NHS 10-12, Business Manager for Journalism 12, Enthusiastic Eight 12, DVL Top Student 9 & 10, Musicals 9-11, Renaissance 9 & 10

Brian Vaught - FFA 9-12, FB 9

Katie Booth, valedictorian, receives her diploma from school board member Roger Gormley as Superintendent Jan Collins looms in the background. Photo by Bray’s.
In 1982 the class of 1995 entered into the big world of public education at the Highland Grade School. The favorite of kindergarten were the many centers where they could cook, play, store and use paints. Jarrod, Sherry, Jaime, Maria, Aurelia, and Danny were the original six of the class. Aurelia always wore pigtails.

Lucas, Sarah, and Angie joined the class by the fourth grade. The class remembers the animals and the factory assembly line where they made buttons. There was a paint incident involving Jarrod and Sarah. They were making volcanoes and paint splattered everywhere. This was the beginning of Jarrod being accident prone. Girls and boys were discovered early with relationships coming and going as often as Chad Reynolds.

By seventh grade, Katie, Brian, and MaLynda had joined the class. During this year relationships switched every week with Angie, Chad, Chris, and Aurelia. The class visited the Cosmosphere in Hutchison. They all remember Mrs. Collin’s agitation when the heater broke down. She had very little patience waiting for the repairman. Jarrod received a concussion while wrestling with Craig Windmeyer in gym class.

In eighth grade Matt Paulsen and Rodney Splettstoesser joined the class. They had a great football team with a record of 8-1. In English and math class there was an invisible stereo in a Kleenex box. Mrs. Whitacre never did find out where the music was coming from. Jeremy had a cannon that shot pellets across the room. He tried hard to check his classmates reflexes as he pinged each one of them.

The “group thing” war is well remembered when the class fought with the seventh grade, trying to show their mighty eighth grade power. They will never forget the sewer treatment and dump field trip they took when they were left behind from Washington D.C.

Freshmen year in high school will always be remembered. It was the class’ best year of high school. Jarrod had another accident and he lost sight in one eye. At SOS training Mrs. Parish became a kangaroo. In Home Economics, Aurelia was accused of stealing a mixer and putting it in her pocket, small fires broke out regularly, and shelves broke. English class was never boring or dull, if it wasn’t Brian acting up it was Rodney. There were the “unforgettable car wash incidents” (scratching a car, breaking Walter Neibling’s machine, etc.) Mr. Beam’s health class was very vague when it came to teaching sex education. At the governor’s conference, Jaime was introduced to the lovely governor, Joan Finney, two times in just a turnabout. Also this year, the class was saddened by the sudden death of their classmate, Rodney Splettstoesser.

Jarrod got his foot run over his sophomore year. Mr. Boeh was famous for his soap operas in history class, as Jaime became the “Queen of the Nile.” The flying erasers went through the air when a wrong answer was given. The volleyball team won state that year in Hays. On the way, Ms. Rasmussen got stopped for speeding.

Jason Button joined the class their junior year. One of the highlights of Prom was when Sarah’s car caught on fire in the parking lot. A big event that year was the trip to Texas with the seniors. During dinner at the Sizzler one night a little food fight broke out! While taking the track team to state, Mr. Keehn had a bus window break. It was a very windy trip to Wichita. Jarrod had his appendix removed this year.

Homecoming parade started the class’ senior year. Their float was entitled “A Small Float for a Small Class.” Sherry developed a big phobia of Mr. Keehn’s driving, and it was understood that the feeling was mutual. The class developed a knack for sidestepping daily lectures with parties, daily news or events, or even expounding on the OJ. Simpson trial. Finally, on May 21, 1995, twelve seniors graduated from Highland High School prepared to take on the world. By MaLynda Brock.
Sneak was funfilled from "Sunrise, (to) Sunset"

"Quotable Quotes"
"When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on."
-- Aurelia Nuzum
"This is a good place for an ambush."
-- Angie Neibling, sponsor
"What's that brownie type thing?"
-- Angie Taylor
"It's a brownie."
-- Landry's waiter, Jamie
"I feel I'm letting you down. I have nothing funny to say."
-- Aurelia Nuzum
"I have so much cheese I'm gonna be constipated for two weeks."
-- Sarah Simmons

"Quotable Quotes" (from Mexico)
"Hey lady, come into my shop."
"Hey lady, buy a hammock."
"You like? I can give you a good deal."
"Do you need directions? Want a date? Want to get married?"

(Top photo) Jason Button, Katie Booth, Jaime Veach, Angie Taylor, and Sarah Simmons decide where to shop next in Mexico. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

(Middle photo) The "group" waits expectantly for their food at La Victoria. Photo by Gerre Walsh.

(Bottom photo) Angie Taylor, Maria Jeffers, and Aurelia Nuzum observe as Sarah Simmons is serenaded for her birthday at the Jailhouse Cafe. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
Eight seniors and three sponsors departed from the Kansas City Airport at 12 noon on Tuesday, May 16. It was raining, and the temperature was in the sixties. They arrived in San Antonio to sunny weather with a temperature of about 85 degrees. After refreshing themselves at their hotel, the crew headed to the ever-popular Landry’s, a seafood restaurant. “I loved Landry’s,” said Angie Taylor. “The waiter was cute, nice, and very sweet.”

Bright and early at 7 a.m. the next day, the group was ready for the bus to pick them up for their trip to Laredo, Mexico. After paying their 25 cent toll, the group walked across the International Bridge to Mexico. The day was sunny with a temperature of 107 degrees and a humidity factor of 100 percent. After a morning of shopping, the group met at La Victoria (an air-conditioned restaurant) for lunch. “I wasn’t overly impressed,” said sponsor Cheryl Rasmussen, “but at least we didn’t get sick from the water.” A couple of hours later, the group was gathered once again on the International Bridge to America. However, the toll this time was 35 cents.

The next morning dawned sunny with a temperature in the eighties and a humidity factor of zero. Half of the group went shopping while the other half slept and soaked up the sun by the swimming pool. That evening, part of the group went to Champions to eat, several went on a Riverboat tour, and yet others watched a movie at the IMAX theater.

Sea World was the destination the next morning. The day was sunny with a low humidity factor and a temperature once again in the eighties. Shamu, dolphins, clydsdale horses, and water rides were a few of the things the group rode and saw. “I enjoyed Sea World,” said Jaime Veach. “My favorite part was seeing all of the animals.”

Later that evening, the group went to the Jailhouse Cafe. The senior girls went as a group to the Tower of the America’s and ran through the fountains in Hemisphere Park at the base of the tower. Back at the motel, and still feeling frisky, they decided to share their exuberance by jumping on sponsor Gerre Walsh’s bed.

The last morning dawned bright and sunny with a temperature in the lower eighties. Several people went to Market Square, others went to visit the Alamo, and two dedicated shoppers, Veach and Walsh, went shopping.

The sunburned (and broke) group arrived to showers and a temperature in the sixties at the Kansas City Airport at 5 p.m. on May 20. By Katie Booth.
As the years roll along through school, classes conform and mutate. Many classes have come and gone, but the school has always had its basic academics including readin’ and writin’ and ‘rithmetic.

A new class offered this year was natural resource management (a new version of wildlife management.) This class is taught by Gary Keehn, and lets students experience rivers testing, taxidermy, wildlife parks management, and a lot more. Keehn also teaches general science, biology, and chemistry.

Ted Hutchcraft leads the math department. He instructs all algebra classes, plus GTA, physics, and calculus.

David Lund, new this year, heads the computer room. Computer classes are something new compared to the 1950’s. Lund teaches freshman and sophomore computers, and 7th and 8th grade computers.

English classes are taught by Joyce Rush and Donna Parish. Parish also teaches history classes. Spanish is taught by Toni Larson, and Elmer Schmitz teaches all vocational classes. Laura Schmitz instructs all home economics and daily living classes. By Kim Ruhnke.

These pages designed by Kim Ruhnke.
Juniors Rebecca Lackey, Courtney Harness, Kim Ruhnke, Darin Peters, Dylan Dorrell, Jennifer Collins, and Tabitha Reist work on one of Donna Parish's infamous American history assignments. Photo by Donna Parish.

Donna Parish's world history students watch a film on medieval cathedrals. Photo by Donna Parish.

Cheryl Rasmussen helps David Lund teach a lesson on Quicken 4 to the sophomores. Photo by Donna Parish.
The administration and school board have been busy improving the halls of learning. One of the many new projects introduced this year was the Just Read program. "We need to try to raise the students' attitudes towards reading," said Cheryl Rasmussen, principal. The students were required to read a book or magazine for 15 minutes every day.

"One of my goals this year was to send each student to some type of leadership program," Rasmussen said. The goal was very close to being met. Many students attended either the STUCO/SOS camp, the drug and alcohol training, or the DVL Leadership Conference. The students were encouraged to help each other with problems and deal more easily with their own at the same time.

Another change was networking all of the computers in the building. Each teacher has his/her own personal computer. Announcements and messages can be circulated throughout the building without anyone leaving the room. This saves time when ordering software and managing data. By Rebecca Lackey and Amanda Twombly.

Jan Collins, superintendent, watches an exciting basketball game against Troy. Photo by Donna Parish.

Cheryl Rasmussen, principal, has been true to Highland High School for 13 years. Photo by Bray's.
Jan Collins, superintendent, studies information from an education literature review. Photo by Bray's.

These pages designed by Rebecca Lackey and Amanda Twombly.

Mike Blevins, school board member, watches the basketball game at Troy. Photo by Donna Parish.

The school board, consisting of Roger Gormley, Dick Tracy, Mike Blevins, Bill Batchelder, Sally Waggoner, Paul Tyler, and Kathy Twombly, is true to our school. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
Leader(s) of the pack
--Faculty

Doug Andrew-P.E./Basketball Coach
Gary Blanton-Maintenance
Melinda Carpenter-Band
Sue Cluck-Cook
Mary Lou Colley-Librarian
Frances Collins-Cook

Sharon Collins-Cook
Angie Eberly-Inter-Related
Dennis Hanlon-Maintenance
Ted Hutchcraft-Mathematics
Linda Joseph-Art
Gary Keen-Science

Ginger Scott, secretary of the Highland Bluestreaks, takes down one of many memos during the day. Photo by Bray's.
Joann Karn, bookkeeper, works hard to keep the school running smoothly. Photo by Bray's.

Toni Larson-Spanish
David Lund-Computer
Angie Neibling- Teacher's Aide
Marla Olson-Teacher's Aide
Donna Parish-History/English/Journalism
Joyce Rush-English

Elmer Schmitz-Agriculture
Laura Schmitz-Home Economics
Ron Shelton-Geography/ Football/ Basketball Coach
Alan Terry-Woods
Dick Tracy-Maintenance
Gerre Walsh-Counselor
The science classes offered this year were general science, biology, chemistry, college biology and a new class, natural resource management.

The general science class studied macro and stream testing, astronomy, and Kansas ecosystems. They also did a chapter on recycling.

Biology class did its regular labs and chapters. Bob Hopkins, sophomore, said, "My favorite thing in biology was tapping the glass of the snake cage."

Chemistry class did various chemical analyses with chapters and labs. Stephen Blevins, junior, said, "I thought the whole chemistry experience was exhilarating, and if I had it to do all over again, I wouldn't change a minute of it."

College biology students did dissections, went to various workshops and gave presentations. Something new for them was participating in Ecology Day at Atchison State Lake.

Natural resource management class was a revision of the wildlife management class from last year. They helped reconstruct Brown County State Lake. They also built two hiking trails, one at Atchison State Lake and another at Iowa, Sac and Fox Indian Mission.

Chemistry, biology, and general science classes were honored by the Clean Water Neighbor Grant. They taught all the Doniphan County schools how to do macro and chemical stream tests and provided equipment to the schools. Gary Keehn, science teacher, commented, "Every school should have rivers testing." By Stephen Blevins and Kim Ruhnke.

Gary Keehn, science instructor, tries to teach the juniors empirical formulas. Photo by Donna Parish.

These pages sponsored by Highland Hardware.
Aurelia Nuzum and Jarrod Cluck, seniors, carefully dissect a shark in college biology. College biology is a dual credit class with Highland Community College. Students in this class earn five hours of college credit, as well as one high school credit. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Courtney Harness and Kim Ruhnke, juniors, do fecal coliform tests at the Missouri River as part of their chemistry class. Photo by Katie Booth.

Shane Smith and Chris Blevins, sophomores, study their biology homework. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Kim Ruhnke and Stephen Blevins.
No one in the 1950’s had to do a Social Studies Assessment, but in 1995 the State’s new revolution required juniors to write a report and give a presentation over a political issue. Donna Parish, history and English teacher, and the juniors felt the directions for the assessment were so vague that they had a difficult time understanding how to do them. "It was mentally challenging. It was physically exhausting. It was a lot of fun. But when it comes right down to it, I’d rather be run over by a pack of raging donkeys," commented Stephen Blevins, junior.

Another big change in American history was integrated learning with English III. "For example," said Parish, "Students would be studying the political and literary aspects at the same time."

"It helps me because I get more out of the topic, but I think it would be harder to teach," said Darin Peters, junior.

The Spanish I class portrayed themselves as actors starring in their own television commercials. "I laughed hysterically watching Joe Swain play the handsome Diet Coke man in our commercial," said Cheyenne Dorrell, freshman.

Toni Larson required each student to recite ten lines of Spanish in each commercial while she video taped. "I thought the commercials were hilarious," said Rilie Kafer, freshman. By Jennifer Collins

Donna Parish teaches world history to the sophomores as they take notes. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
Joyce Rush, English teacher, teaches the English I class proper grammar while freshmen Brant Clary, Rilie Kafer, Emily Jeschke, Karie Diveley, and Denise Blevins listen intently. Photo by Donna Parish.

Toni Larson hands out tests to the freshmen in Spanish I. Photo by Aurelia Nuzum.

Thatcher Reist, Chris Collins, Joe Swain, and Kole Meyer work in a group during Spanish I. Photo by Aurelia Nuzum.

These pages designed by Jennifer Collins and Sherry Hamilton.
David Lund, the instructor for freshman keyboarding and sophomore computer applications, was a new face this year. Lund also teaches an introduction to keyboarding class to the junior high students. “My favorite class to teach is computer applications because we get into the more interesting programs like Hypercard, Pagemaker.”

Along with a teacher, the computer lab also had some technological updates. “Five new Macintoshes were added this year along with a complete network that runs to every computer in the school. It enables students to print their assignments from any computer instead of having to save and transfer to another computer to print,” says Lund, who feels this was a major contribution to the lab.

Emily Jeschke, freshman, said “I like keyboarding class because we get to practice typing and get our homework typed at the same time. It’s also kind of a social hour.”

“Honestly, I’m not doing anything different this year, nor are my students. I’m just applying what is more effective for the students.” Ted Hutchcraft, math teacher, explains about his classes. Some of his subjects are Algebra I, Algebra II, business math, calculus, and physics and GTA (geometry, trigonometry, and algebra).

“I like all of my classes,” Hutchcraft explained as he turned to look at Scott Jeschke, class of ‘94, who had come back for help.

“I think block classes are working, but I’d like to have more block hours at HHS for upper level classes,” Hutchcraft states. Nathan Priest said,

“I think that GTA is a little harder than Algebra I and Algebra II, but it is still comprehensible.” By Nathan Priest and Gary Beck.
As Stephenie Blevins, freshman, looks over her homework, Rocky Ruhnke, freshman, shows Ted Hutchcraft how well he's doing. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

In the freshmen computer class Colby Collins and Kole Meyer word process an English 1 assignment as part of integrated learning as Heather Hunsaker helps Meagan Batchelder. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Kole Meyer, Chris Collins, Denise Blevins, and Jennifer Yates learn that letters can be numbers. Photo by Maria Jeffers.
In the 1950's, an emphasis was placed on hands-on types of classes. In woods, home economics, and agriculture classes, this hands-on experience was back.

In woods class, after learning how to safely handle tools, the students were turned loose to design and build an individual project. A few of the items made were a nightstand, a cedar chest, flower pots, and a saddle rack. Alan Terry, woods teacher, commented, "I like students to work on their own project, because it makes them appreciate good work."

The home economics classes provided were Home Economics I and family living. The Home Economics I classes cooked the first semester and sewed the second semester. Laura Schmitz, home economics teacher, said, "Not only did the students enjoy making foods foreign to them, they can use these skills in the future."

The family living class, made up of seniors, cooked and learned about interior design. Jamie Veach, senior, commented, "I liked the freedom of being able to work on independent projects. I learned many skills that will help me in the future."

Agriculture education and ag-science taught by Elmer Schmitz were the agricultural classes offered. The agriculture education class learned about farm management, kept record books and did projects for FFA.

The ag-science classes studied entomology and horticulture. Aurelia Nuzum, senior and sole student in her ag-science class, said, "I like being the only student in my ag-science class. It gives me an advantage over the other students because I get extra help." By Darin Peters and Courtney Harness.

Kristy Green, freshman, sews together a piece of cloth on a pair of shorts she makes in Home Economics I. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Jeff Butrick, sophomore, studies the side of his night stand in woods. Photo by Maria Jeffers.
ary Harness, freshman, lays out her pattern for her sewing project in Home Economics I class. The Home Economics I classes are required to do four sewing projects. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Rocky Ruhnke, freshman, works diligently on his homework in vocational agriculture. Photo by Maria Jeffers.

Mark Allen, junior, makes a baseball bat on the wood lathe in woods. Photo by Maria Jeffers.

These pages sponsored by Anthros Medical Group.
Jarrod Cluck, senior, and Elmer Schmitz, FFA sponsor, look over and discuss one of Cluck's many FFA projects during the year. Cluck received a Wildlife Proficiency Award and a State FFA Degree for his dedicated work in FFA. Photo by Kim Ruhnke.
FFA, cheerleading and journalism are just a few of the clubs offered to the students at HHS. Success rates among the students in these clubs has remained as high this year as the years prior.

The students enjoy the finished products that come from these clubs. The journalism class works hard to provide many newspapers and a yearbook for the students throughout the year.

The FFA received ribbons, trophies, and degrees for their hard work in livestock, record keeping and wildlife management. The FFA is also known for the many hours of hard work that they put in to help improve the community.

Cheerleading has caused some debate this past year. Is it a club or a sport? Whatever it is, the girls that cheer put in a lot of time and hard work to support the teams and lead the Bluestreak fans in a positive, high spirit and manner.

Clubs are enjoyed by most students. Most of the students find success and happiness in participating. By Jaime Veach.

Katie Booth, senior, works hard during journalism on the many tasks she has to deal with as yearbook editor. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

The cheerleaders perform one of the many routines that are done throughout the year. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Jaime Veach.
The cheerleaders were a peppy group of girls who worked hard to please the teams and the crowd this year. Jennifer Collins, junior and second year cheerleader, commented, "I don't think that we worked any harder. I just think that we had more talent and desire."

The cheerleaders learned that pleasing people can be hard, but they worked through it and gave all that they had to make themselves a better squad.

The inspiration of the squad this year was their sponsor, Marti Ann Allen, with her hard workouts and discipline. "Marti Ann taught me the basics of good cheering as well as showing me that I could do anything I put my mind to," stated Kristy Green, freshman.

The cheerleaders were busy with cake raffles and sand volleyball tournaments to raise money. They held a community pep rally on main street after the Homecoming parade where they performed the first of four routines presented this past year.

For the sub-state basketball game, the cheerleaders, with the help of the artistic students in the school, made each starting player a portrait run through.

The cheerleaders definitely proved they know how to "Twist and Shout." By Aurelia Nuzum.

The Basketball Cheerleaders are flying: Aurelia Nuzum, Emily Jeschke, and Denise Blevins; Basing: Heather Hunsaker, Jennifer Collins, Stephanie Blevins, Katie Booth and Cheyenne Dorrell. Photo by Bray's.
The Cheerleaders stimulate the crowd with their "Daisy Duke" routine at the community Homecoming pep rally. Photo by Nathan Priest.

The basketball cheerleaders hold a run through for starter, Clint Windmeyer, at the boys Sub-State basketball tournament. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

The football cheerleaders are flying: Emily Jeschke, Courtney Harness, and Katie Booth; Basing: Stephanie Blevins, Cheyenne Dorrell, Megan Batchelder, Hilary Harness, and Kristy Green. Photo by Bray's.

Freshmen cheerleaders, Emily Jeschke, Cheyenne Dorrell, and Stephanie Blevins attack the crowd at the community pep rally. Photo by Nathan Priest.

These pages designed by Aurelia Nuzum.
Something new this year was that Ted Hutchcraft joined Donna Parish in coaching the Quiz Bowl team. "My favorite thing about being co-sponsor was being able to share responsibilities," stated Hutchcraft, co-sponsor.

"It was nice to have an English/history person and a math/science person working together to help the students. I was really grateful to Ted Hutchcraft for agreeing to co-sponsor the team because the Quiz Bowl program has grown into a big job," stated Parish.

"It was a very frustrating year because most of the time we only lost by one or two questions," stated Parish.

The Quiz Bowl team won third place at the Highland Invitational Tournament. Nathan Priest, junior, was top scorer for the year, and Dylan Dorrell, junior, was quicker in answering questions each time. Dorrell said, "The most outrageous question given at a Quiz Bowl meet was, 'What is the closest star to the Earth?' Most guessed Polaris, but I suddenly realized it was the sun, so I got it right." By Rebecca Lackey.
The main purpose of the National Honor Society is to show and recognize students' achievements,” stated Ted Hutchcraft, sponsor. Seven new members were initiated this year. Those initiated were Brad McCauley, Jeff Butrick, Mandy Brock, Rachael Jeschke, Bridget Blevins, Chris Blevins, and Kristi Kelly, all sophomores.

Mandy Brock, sophomore, said “I am very honored to be in the NHS organization. I felt nervous initiation night and tried not to trip up the stairs with a candle burning in my hand.”

After the initiation of members, cookies and punch were served and organized by current NHS members’ parents.

The Students Offering Support (SOS), along with the Student Council (STUCO), went through leadership training this year at Camp of the Ozarks, a YMCA camp south of St. Louis, Missouri. The SOS and STUCO ate, slept, climbed Alpine Towers, did the High Ropes courses, went on a night hike, spelunked, and went on a hayrack ride. Katie Booth, senior said, “I really liked the rope course, which had a zip line of about 400 feet. I felt like I was free falling down the hillside through the trees.”

Jennifer Collins, junior, stated, “I thought the training was fun, and we all became closer and learned a lot about each other.” By Rebecca Lackey.

These pages designed by Rebecca Lackey.
The 37 members of the Highland FFA Chapter had an extremely successful year. The Chapter managed to receive awards at every—or almost every—contest they attended.

At the Northeast District Dairy Cattle Evaluation, Stephanie Blevins, freshman, received second place.

Kelly Merkel, freshman, placed first at the District Greenhand’s Conference out of 150 people. Emily Jeschke, freshman, placed third at this same Conference. Jeschke also received a second place at the Northeast District Entomology Contest.

Mark Allen, junior, was the Northeast District Forest Management proficiency award winner.

Jarrod Cluck, senior, was the recipient of the Northeast District Wildlife Management proficiency award, the Scholarship Award, and was Star Chapter Farmer Production. Cluck and Stephen Blevins, junior, were also honored with Kansas State FFA Degrees.

Rocky Ruhnke, freshman, won Star Greenhand Production.

The Farm Show Safety Booth at the Western Farm Show in Kansas City went very well with the the Chapter winning as second place team for the state of Kansas.

In the Northeast District Superior Chapter award programs, BOAC and NATIONAL CHAPTER both won gold state awards. By Courtney Harness.

Stephanie Blevins, Mark Allen, and Kim Ruhnke gaze at the pages they are supposed to be reading for the Banquet. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Courtney Harness.

Joe Swain, Levi Lucas, Kelly Merkel, Stephanie Blevins, and Rocky Ruhnke stand in line as they wait to eat at the pot luck supper that went along with the Banquet. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

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This year Student Council played a major role in the activities and participation of the student body.

STUCO started off the year in chorus with the first-day-of-school activities, as students participated in a scavenger hunt. Everyone became acquainted with old and new friends and had fun doing it.

Homecoming was the next activity, also arranged by STUCO, which consisted of Spirit Week, a Homecoming parade, and dance which helped boost pride among students.

The high school halls came to life at Christmas with the class hall decorating contest and hanging of stockings. "I thought decorating the halls at Christmas was great because it gave the students a chance to work together and get a sense of unity among us all," said Jennifer Collins, junior representative.

Other goals accomplished by STUCO this year were the purchasing of an electric announcement sign for the Commons, the revision of the school constitution, advisor base options, and an Easter egg hunt for high school students.

"I feel that all of our objectives were met. High points of school and community spirit this year were the Homecoming parade and dance, and although rewriting the school constitution wasn’t a favorite project among us, it was necessary since it hadn’t been revised since day one," stated Maria Jeffers, senior STUCO president. By Stephen Blevins.
This year the journalism class participated in Kansas Scholastic Press Association journalism contest in Lawrence. Kim Ruhnke, junior, received first in headline writing; Katie Booth, senior, received first in editing; Nathan Priest, junior, received first in news writing, and a second in news writing at state competition. “Sometimes a story just comes to you in journalism. You’ve got the facts, you’ve got the quotes, and you just write it. This is what makes you successful at contest,” said Priest. Stephen Blevins, junior, received second in sports writing; Sherry Hamilton, senior, received first in photography, and in 1994 some of the seniors worked on the yearbook that won an Award of Merit in KSPA yearbook critique.

The 1995 journalism staff worked diligently and managed to put out seven issues of The Bluestreak Speaks and a yearbook. This year the newspaper received an Award of Honor in the 1A division All State Competition. “Journalism can be a pain in the haunches with all of the deadlines, but the benefits and seeing the final result make it all worthwhile. I love it,” said Jennifer Collins, junior journalism student. By Stephen Blevins.
The Fine Arts Program experienced flashbacks in each of the departments. The choral department presented *The Sound of Music*, originally released on Broadway in the 1950's. Art projects went retro, revealing a splash of abstract expressionism from the era of Jackson Pollock as students studied different styles in art history. One project was ink throwing. This method was used to create personal copies of Pollock to study the underlying artistic effects. The band department kept the fans in the bleachers peppepd with music from yesteryear. By Maria S. Jeffers.

Emily Jeschke helps Jeff Butrick with his eyeliner as Chris Blevins looks for the props needed for his character, Franz. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Maria S. Jeffers
Dylan Dorrell, leading man in *The Sound of Music*, carefully applies stage make-up while mentally getting into character. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Levi Lucas, freshman art student, smooths one of the coils on his clay masterpiece. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

The Bluestreak Band strides down Main Street playing "In the Mood" to the delight of community members as part of the Homecoming Parade. Although small in size, the band, led by Melinda Carpenter, has made top ratings at State competition for the past two years. Photo by Nathan Priest.
Recreating the 1959 Broadway production, over half the student body participated in this fall’s musical, *The Sound of Music* on Nov. 10 and 11. Many of the people who attended commented on the students’ singing and acting skills. Virgil Bauer, a Highland resident, stated, “I think that the presentation was equal to a school of five hundred students even though we only have a student body of eighty-six. All people were well casted. It was an excellent performance by the young people and by Cheryl Rasmussen and Donna Parish.”

Rachael Jeschke, sophomore, brought happiness to both the Von Trapps and to the audience as the female lead, Maria Reiner. Captain Von Trapp, played by Dylan Dorrell, junior, demanded attention from the audience with his commanding role. “The responsibility of having a lead role was difficult, but not as difficult as I had planned,” said Dylan Dorrell.

Katie Booth, senior, tried to win the wealth of Captain Von Trapp as the sappy Baronne Schraeder. Max Detweiler, played by junior Nathan Priest, brought chuckles as the obnoxious, scheming uncle.

The Von Trapp children portrayed by Tabitha Reist, junior; Brad McCauley, sophomore; Thatcher Reist, Kole Meyer, Stephanie Blevins, Cheyenne Dorrell, and Emily Jeschke, freshmen; delighted the crowd with their youthful personalities. Cheyenne Dorrell said of her part, “I hated when I had to flit and float and fleetly flee and fly.” By Nathan Priest and Tabitha Reist.

Maria Reiner (Rachael Jeschke) gives a sideways glance to those who ridicule her less-than-attractive apparel. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Nathan Priest and Tabitha Reist.

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The children listen enthusiastically as Maria (Rachael Jeschke) teaches them to sing for the first time. The children, from left to right, include Thatcher Reist, Stephanie Blevins, Kole Meyer, Tabitha Reist, Brad McCauley, Cheyenne Dorrell, and Emily Jeschke. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

A romantic adventure, left, features Clint Windmeyer as Rolf and Tabitha Reist as Liesel. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Relaxing with a cup of tea, bottom left, Max Detweiler (Nathan Priest), Captain Von Trapp (Dylan Dorrell), and Elsa Schraeder (Katie Booth) discuss the advantages of a wealthy life. Photo by Courtney Harness.

Captain Von Trapp, played by Dylan Dorrell, calls the children to attention with his trusty whistle. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
Highland hosted the annual Delaware Valley League music festival this year which tied into a fundraiser for the Extravaganza trip. Both the choir and Swing Choir were awarded a 1-. Soloists earning 1's were Dylan Dorrell, Rachael Jeschke, Maria Jeffers, MaLynda Brock, and Emily Jeschke.

Regionals proved a disappointment for the Swing Choir which received a II. Soloists who earned 1's and advanced to State were Rachael Jeschke, Jeffers, Dorrell, Brock, and Emily Jeschke.

Jeffers, Brock, Emily Jeschke, and Rachael Jeschke were awarded 1's at State.

Swing Choir toured west this year to perform at Palco and Lincoln. "The people at Palco were really nice. They fixed a pot luck dinner, and hosted us for the night," said Tabitha Reist, junior. After singing at Palco the following morning, the group journeyed to Lincoln, Rasmussen's home town.

"Western Kansas was a new and exciting experience. I got to see Nicodimous, an all black town. Our performances were okay, but our best one was at Highland," said Windmeyer, sophomore. The last performance was at home where Swing Choir was greeted with cheers and smiling faces. By Jennifer Collins.


The girls know how to flaunt their stuff to "Material Girl" at their hometown show. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
Dylan Dorrell charms the crowd with his solo "Pretty Little Angel Eyes" while tenors Chris Blevins, Clint Windmeyer, and Thatcher Reist back him up. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Maria Jeffers, who was voted Outstanding Vocalist, sings out the first verse to "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah."

Members of Swing Choir are Front Row: Thatcher Reist, Rachael Jeschke, Stephanie Blevins, Erin Jeschke, Emily Jeschke, Cheyenne Dorrell, Nathan Priest; Second Row: Chris Blevins, Mandy Brock, Tabitha Reist, Brad McCauley, Clint Windmeyer, Katie Booth, Maria Jeffers, Dylan Dorrell; Third Row: Adam Tyler, MaLynda Brock, Jay Gormley, Jennifer Collins, Chris Collins, Kelly Merkel, Kole Meyer. Photo by Bray's.
The style of art has changed since the 1950's, but the individuality has only become more definite. This year's artists first competed at the American Federation of Women's Club Art Contest. Those students earning red ribbons were Chris Collins, Stacey Fee, and Paul Idol, all freshmen, and Sarah Simmons, senior.

The next competition was the Delaware Valley League Art Festival at Valley Falls. Simmons received two certificates for her self-portrait and ceramic sculpture. Thatcher Reist earned a certificate for his still-life.

Highland Community College Art Day is a terrific display of student's artwork from several schools in Kansas. Simmons received an Honorable Mention for her ceramic sculpture. The art history team tied for first in their competition earning a trophy. "Considering we didn't win anything in quiz bowl this year, we felt redeemed," said Reist. The team consisted of Reist, Courtney Harness, Hilary Harness, and Levi Lucas. By Jennifer Collins.

Hilary Harness glances at her ceramic model as Gary Beck studies his drawing. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Jennifer Collins.
Band members march to the beat of the drum during halftime of the Homecoming game. Photo by Nathan Priest.

Band members include Front Row: Barbara Purvis, Aurelia Nuzum, Angie Taylor, Andrea Collins, Lesley Korthanke, Amanda Romine, Amanda Twombly, Matt Reiter; Middle Row: Melinda Carpenter, John Theobald, Bobby Paxton, Amanda Williams, Tessa Reist, Tabitha Reist, Stephanie Blevins; Back Row: Nathan Twombly, Thatcher Reist, Molly Priest, Cheyenne Dorrell, T.J. Simpson, B.J. Twombly. Photo by Bray's.

Though numbers were small; talent was plentiful. The seven high school band members competed very well. Both ensembles earned I ratings at the Delaware Valley League contest. Soloists Angie Taylor and Aurelia Nuzum earned I's, and Amanda Twombly received a II.

The Mixed Ensemble earned a I at Regionals, and advanced to State earning another I rating. Members were Thatcher Reist, Nuzum, Taylor, Twombly, Cheyenne Dorrell, Stephanie Blevins, and Tabitha Reist. The Woodwind Ensemble received a II at Regionals. It consisted of Twombly, Nuzum, Taylor, Dorrell, and Blevins.

Clarinet soloists Nuzum and Taylor received I's at Regionals and advanced to State. Taylor earned a II at State, and Nuzum received a III. Twombly received a II at Regionals with her flute solo.

Band soloists are Aurelia Nuzum, Amanda Twombly, and Angie Taylor. Photo by Bray's.
In the 1950's, poodle skirts, leather jackets, duck-tail haircuts, and the ever famous, James Dean, were all the rage. Fads and fashions have changed greatly, but at the same time not so greatly in the last four decades.

Self-body mutilation was all the rage in 1994-95. Everyone from fashion models to basketball players ran out to pierce, tattoo, or brand their bodies. For the squeamish, rub-on tattoos and pierceless nose rings were bought and worn in place of the real thing.

School and athletic pride came back as students once again wore school letter jackets. Blue and white jackets with leather sleeves, the letter H, and medals were seen around the school on any cold day.

Bags played a big part in the lives of students. Whether the bags were Nike or Jansport and used to carry books, practice clothes, or break money, they were commonly left on the stage and around the school to be tripped and stepped on.

As always, shoes were very important to the everyday dress of the students. Soccer and basketball shoes, sandals, cowboy boots and shoes with stacked heels were extremely popular this year. A throwback basketball shoe from the fifties, Converse Chuck Taylor's, were worn by many students.

In the way of music, everything from the crooning country sounds of Garth Brooks to the rap lyrics of Spice 1 and Snoop Doggy Dogg were listened to and sung along with.

Together, all of the fads, fashions, and music of 1994-95 helped make the year interesting and unique. By Courtney Harness.
Bringing back a Bluestreak fashion of letterjackets are Brian Simpson, Jeff Butrick, Clint Windmeyer, Brad MacCauley, Jason Button, Stephen Blevins, and Jason Davis. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Students showing off their favorite shoes are Maria Jeffers, Shawn Tilton, Katie Booth, Jason Davis, Wes Keller, Stephen Blevins, Bobby Hopkins, Jason Button, Nathan Priest, Dylan Dorrell, and Jennifer Collins. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Courtney Harness.
Jennifer Collins and Kim Ruhnke, juniors, attempt to block a Wetmore Cardinal at Regionals. The Lady Streaks beat Midway in the first round, but were defeated by Wetmore. Photo by Donna Parish.

Sarah Simmons, senior, shoots the rock for a deuce against Oskaloosa. Simmons went on to receive All-County and DVL first team recognitions. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Kim Ruhnke.
Run, run, run. This seems like Gary Keehn’s favorite word. Well, it paid off this season in the first year of cross country since 1988.

Highland’s cross county team combined with Midway’s team with permission from the state. Highland’s team consisted of Emily Jeschke, freshman; Rachael Jeschke, sophomore; Nathan Priest, junior; and Sherry Hamilton, senior.

Emily Jeschke received 10th at regionals, thus earning a trip to the state competition. She got 44th out of over a hundred competitors. She also earned 7th place in the DVL league meet, and first team all-county and DVL.

Rachael Jeschke earned 10th at the DVL meet, and earned second team DVL. She just missed going to state with a 12th place finish at regionals.

Gary Keehn, track coach, commented, “Everyone met their own personal goals, but it was harder to meet team goals since this was everyone’s first year.” By Kim Ruhnke.
The '94 volleyball season started off with more of a spark than a bang, but by the end of the eventful season, the ladies ignited the courts with fire-filled playing. Katie Booth, senior, was awarded the honor of All-League first team. "I felt very honored to be selected to the All-League team," Booth stated.

Sarah Simmons, senior, stated, "The game that I remember best was the Horton game in the Highland tournament. We took them to three games and on the third game, we came from behind and ended up pulling it off. That's when we realized that we can really come out and play good ball."

With a new circle of players, the group readjusted their skills to learn how to play as a team. Regional play was a flashback from the previous season, when the ladies defeated the Midway Eagles and lost to Wetmore. The lady Streaks finished with a record of 18-15. "The team showed hustle and spirit. They put forth a lot of effort and did a nice job," said Coach Rasmussen. By Jennifer Collins and Maria Jeffers.

Kim Ruhnke concentrates her efforts on digging the ball in a match against Oskaloosa. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Maria Jeffers and Jennifer Collins.
The 1994 volleyball team consists of Front Row: Cheryl Rasmussen (coach), Angie Taylor, Sarah Simmons, Katie Booth, Gerre Walsh (assistant coach); Second Row: Megan Batchelder, Jennifer Collins; third row: Kelly Merkel, Denise Blevins, Stephanie Blevins, Heather Hunsaker, Tabitha Reist, Kim Ruhnke; Third Row: Hilary Harness, Emily Jeschke, Amanda Twombly and MaLynda Brock (managers), and Rebecca Lackey. Photo by Bray’s Photography.

Sarah Simmons leaps high into the air to bring down a kill for the Streaks. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Tabitha Reist skillfully dinks the ball over the outstretched arms of a JCN (Jefferson County North) opponent. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Volleyball

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Katie Booth cannonballs a spike across the net in a match against Oskaloosa. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
"That's the Sound of the Men Working on the Chain Gang"

Shane Smith, #55, sophomore, and Wes Keller, #60, junior, rush the quarterback while playing McLouth. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Clint Windmeyer, #12, sophomore, breaks to the outside on a long run for a first down against McLouth. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Clint Windmeyer, #12, sophomore, breaks through the line against McLouth as Mark Allen, #75, junior and first team offensive tackle, goes for a block in a losing effort as they lost 0-39. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.
These pages designed by Jason Button and Darin Peters.


Mark Allen, #75, junior, also all league punter, punts a ball away against JCN as he averaged 40 yards a punt that night. Photo by Nathan Priest.

Flashing back to some of the 1950’s teams, the 1994 football team ended their season, 1-8. Some individual team members, however, won honors.

Selected to the Delaware Valley League Offensive First Team was Junior Mark Allen for first team offensive tackle for his great power blocking, and he also received DVL first team punter. Allen also received honorable mention all-state line men from the Topeka Capitol Journal. Receiving honorable mention at running back was Junior Stephen Blevins for his hard running. Blevins stated, “The season went rough, we learned a lot, and I think it will help us build for next year.”

Leading the defense was first team defensive tackle Allen for defensive line accomplishments. Jay Gormley, junior, received honorable mention for middle linebacker. Gormley said, “I was disappointed in our record, but looking forward to next season we should be pretty tough.”

Allen stated, “I think the season went well, and we played good at times, but we played with little leadership and a lot of youth.” By Darin Peters.
The varsity girls started the season really slow, but at the end they picked it up and improved their record to 9-12. Sarah Simmons, senior, led the team in scoring and steals on her way to first team, All-County team. Simmons said, "This season was a lot more fun then the previous years, and I think everyone enjoyed the season much more." Kim Ruhnke, junior, said, "I was honored to be chosen All County because there was a lot of good competition." Ruhnke led the team in rebounds as she received second team All-County.

This young team showed its courage when they never gave up. They lost four games by less then five points and many others in the last minutes. Bridget Blevins, sophomore, Stephanie Blevins, freshman, and Emily Jeschke, freshman, all improved in confidence and their ability in leading the team.

This girls' team should be interesting to watch next year. The young players are getting more experience and improving their capability as basketball players. With a little luck and a lot of practice, the Blue Streaks look forward to going to Sub-State or farther next year. By Jason Button

#45 Sarah Simmons, senior, goes up for an easy two in the Midway game. Highland lost the game 38-36 in overtime. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

#45 Sarah Simmons, senior, released a shot in a game against JCN. Highland lost by six, 32 to 26. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

#4 Emily Jeschke, freshman, shots for a big two in the closing minutes of a Midway game. Highland lost the game in overtime 38-36. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

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These pages designed by Jason Button.
The boys’ basketball team was young, but talented. They earned a trip to Sub-State, which was one of the team’s goals. However, they lost out in the first round to Cuba Hillcrest. In Delaware Valley League play, the team finished at 6-3, improving from last year’s 5-4 record, and earned 4th place in the league.

Individual awards were received by Jeff Butrick, sophomore, All-County first team and All-DVL first team and Clint Windmeyer, sophomore, second team All-County. Windmeyer said, “A lot of juniors got overlooked, and I got lucky, but it is still an honor.”

Butrick led the team in scoring with 15.7 points per game. Behind him with 11.2 points per game was Windmeyer. Jay Gormley, junior, led the team in blocked shots with 2.2 blocks per game.

Leading the team in rebounds were Jay Gormley, junior, with 7 per game and Windmeyer with 6.6. Butrick was the team leader in assists with 5.9 per game. By Darin Peters.
The boys' basketball team consisted of First Row: Joe Swain, Eric Cole, Chris Collins, Kole Meyer, Levi Lucas, Brant Clary, Paul Idol, Thatcher Reist, Manager Adam Tyler; Second Row: Coach Ron Shelton, Jason Button, Brad McCauley, Brian Simpson, Will Simmons, Clint Windmeyer, Jay Gormley, Mark Allen, Darin Peters, Jeff Butrick, Stephen Blevins, Chris Blevins, Managers Shane Smith and Dylan Dorrell, Photo by Bray's.

Darin Peters, junior, goes up for a lay up in the game against Horton. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

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These pages designed by Darin Peters
Many track members contemplate becoming runaways when subjected to Mr. Keehn’s workouts.

This year the track 15 mile marathon-relay, picnic, and Awards Night was held at the high school. Mark Allen and Katie Booth received team leader awards. Stephanie Blevins received a most consistent athlete award, and Rebecca Lackey won the most improved athlete. The team awarded Gerald Jeschke, grandfather of Rachael, Emily, and Erin Jeschke, a certificate for The Top Track and Field Supporter.

The girls had four relay teams. Running in the 4 x 100 were Rebecca Lackey, Jennifer Collins, Kelly Merkel, Angie Taylor, and Heather Hunsaker. Running in the 4 x 200 were Collins, Merkel, Hilary Harness, and Stephanie Blevins. Running in the 4 x 400 were Emily Jeschke, Rachael Jeschke, Katie Booth, Denise Blevins, and Tabitha Reist. Running in the 4 x 800 were Rachael Jeschke, Emily Jeschke, Denise Blevins, and Tabitha Reist.

The members of the track team are First Row: Angie Eberly, coach, Justin O’Bryan, Joe Swain, Angie Taylor, Stephanie Blevins, Emily Jeschke, Rebecca Lackey; Second Row: Jennifer Collins, Kelly Merkel, Hilary Harness, Tabitha Reist, Denise Blevins, Bridget Blevins, Rachael Jeschke, Courtney Harness, manager; Third Row: Erin Jeschke, Megan Batchelder, Katie Booth, Heather Hunsaker, Jason Davis, Jason Button, Nathan Priest, Mandy Brock, manager; Fourth Row: Gary Keehn, coach, Elmer Schmitz, coach, Levi Lucas, Darin Peters, Jay Gormley, Mark Allen, Rocky Ruhnke. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Mark Allen throws the discus into the clouds at Midway. Allen took seventh in the shot at State. Photo by Esther Gormley.

Levi Lucas clears six feet over the bar in the high jump at the Wathena Meet. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Katie Booth soars through the air with great form in the long jump. Boot placed fifth at State in the triple jump with 33.6 feet. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Rebecca Lackey starts out the 4x100 relay at the Jackson Heights Meet. Photo by Courtney Harness.

These pages designed by Rebecca Lackey.
The banquet before the prom "Amazing" gave Aurelia Nuzum and Darin Peters something to smile about. Photo by Bray's.
King Jarrod Cluck gives Queen Katie Booth a big congratulatory kiss for winning homecoming queen. Photo by Nathan Priest.

On her way to the Sweetheart crown, Emily Jeschke skillfully plucks a chicken at Barnwarming. Photo by Elmer Schmitz.

The past and the present have some similarities when it comes to special events in high school. Prom and homecoming are still enjoyed as much today as they have been in the past. The addition of Queen of Courts and FFA Sweetheart has created more opportunities for memories to be made.

Awards night and graduation are important moments in the lives of seniors. Awards night gives the opportunity to students to receive awards and honors for accomplishments during their high school career. Graduation is the time for good-byes and the start of a new era in many lives. By Jaime Veach.

Mark Allen and Stephanie Blevins take a break from the dance floor at Prom. Photo by Bray's.
Homecoming '94 was a memorable moment for all. The football team defeated JCN with a score of 24-12. The number of senior queen candidates was an amazing total of five. Maria Jeffers, Katie Booth, Sarah Simmons, Sherry Hamilton, and Jaime Veach were escorted by three gentlemen. These candidates were Mark Allen, junior, Jarrod Cluck and Jason Button, seniors.

At the end of the first half, the five queen candidates were driven around the track to their escorts. The candidates walked out to their positions on the field and anxiously waited for Cheryl Rasmussen, principal, to announce the new royalty couple.

Master Tanner Veach, son of John and Eileen Veach and Little Miss Malia Sisk, daughter of Mike and Tammie Sisk, carried the crown, plaque, and flowers to the new royalty, Cluck and Booth. Everyone was amused with the congratulatory kiss which included an unexpected dip of the queen by the king. After the crowning, the queen and her court finished watching the winning game together in the designated area of the stands. By Jaime Veach.

The '94 Homecoming King Jarrod Cluck, senior, and Queen Katie Booth, senior smile for the camera. Photo by Bray's.
Senior Homecoming Attendants Sherry Hamilton and Sarah Simmons were escorted by Mark Allen, junior. Photo by Bray's.

Senior Homecoming Attendants were Maria Jeffers, Jason Button, and Jaime Veach. Photo by Bray's.

Mark Allen, junior, and Sarah Simmons, senior, await the announcement of the new Queen and King. Photo by Bray's.

King Jarrod Cluck, senior, kisses Queen Katie Booth, senior, during half time. Photo by Nathan Priest.

These pages designed by Sherry Hamilton and Jaime Veach.
Emily Jeschke, freshman, was crowned FFA Sweetheart on Oct. 28. Rachael Jeschke, sophomore, was runner-up. This year Barnwarming was held on the Kent Denton farm instead of in the Shop.

Bob Hopkins, sophomore FFA member, said, "I thought the location was better because it was an actual barn."

The other candidates were Stephanie and Denise Blevins, freshmen, and Bridget Blevins, sophomore.

The information test on the FFA chapter and the interview were judged by Ted Hutchcraft, math teacher; Dave Diveley, owner of Highland Hardware; and Debbie Keebler, local farm wife.

After the FFA-provided meal, the candidates each gave her speech on "The changing role of women in agriculture." Following the speeches the candidates began their chores. This year the chores were chicken plucking, obstacle course, blindfolded identification quiz, and the bologna toss.

Jeff Butrick, sophomore FFA member, jokingly commented, "I thought the new chores were more appropriate than the year before, especially the chicken plucking and the bologna slinging."

Bridget Blevins, sophomore candidate, said, "The chores were very farm-like, and they fit the theme of Barnwarming."

Before the announcement of the Barnwarming Sweetheart, Roger Hopkins, auctioneer, took bids on the FFA members in the annual slave sale. This year the slave sale brought in $1600. By Aurelia Nuzum and Kim Ruhnke.
The candidates were Front Row: Stephanie Blevins and Emily Jeschke; Second Row: Denise Blevins, Bridget Blevins and Rachael Jeschke. Photo by Bray's.

The candidates race to get the most feathers plucked. Chicken plucking was a new contest added to Barnwarming. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Rachael Jeschke, sophomore candidate, scores in the new chore, the bologna toss. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

Jarrod Cluck, senior, waits patiently while the bidding takes place during the slave sale. Photo by Sherry Hamilton.

These pages designed by Aurelia Nuzum and Kim Ruhnke.
During the half time of the boys’ basketball game against Savannah, the King and Queen of Courts were announced.

Jason Button, commented, “I was surprised that I won, and I was happy that the people voted for me.” Sarah Simmons said, “I wish not only one person would have won, I wish we all could have won.”

Simmons wore a white embroidered tailored suit. Sherry Hamilton wore a navy blue suit dress. Jaime Veach wore a multi-colored suit.

After the thrilling game, which the boys barely lost 64-62, the freshmen hosted a dance. Elmer Schmitz, freshmen class sponsor, headed the freshmen in decorating for the dance and crowning ceremony. by Darin Peters

Queen Sarah Simmons and King Jason Button were honored during the half time of the boys’ basketball game against Savannah. Photo by Bray’s.
Attendants Jaime Veach and Jay Gormley.
Photo by Bray's.

Attendants Sherry Hamilton, Sarah Simmons, and Jaime Veach watch the ending of the Savannah basketball game. Photo by Kim Ruhnke.

Sarah Simmons receives congratulations from Jason Button during the ceremony. Photo by Maria Jeffers.

These pages designed by Darin Peters.
Dancing, a favorite pastime of the 50's as well as the 90's, was the single reason that brought most all the juniors and seniors together in the fanciest of clothes and the smoothest of rides on April 29.

The juniors spent an incredible amount of time and put forth amounts of effort that surprised even them, to produce a Prom that was definitely worthy of the title. The theme of the prom was "Amazing," a popular song by Aerosmith. Decorations featured celestial moons and suns.

Darin Peters, junior, commented, "Prom wasn't exactly what I thought it was going to be, but it was fun to see everybody dressed up."

The banquet, which started at 6:30, consisted of chicken cordon bleu, green beans, salad, rolls, coffee and tea. After the meal couples and groups raced to get their pictures taken with the Man in the Moon. The evening's dance entertainment was provided by Music Man Entertainment.

After-prom was held in St. Joseph where the group that went spent the early morning hours bowling at Olympia Lanes. The few that went to After-prom loaded a school bus bound for St. Joe after waiting a half an hour for a chartered bus that never showed up. Those who attended enjoyed the festivities, made some money, and won some prizes. Jason Button, senior, said, "I had a very good time, and I used the $60 prize money wisely. I'm glad that I went." By Aurelia Nuzum.

The seniors who attended prom are, Front row: Aurelia Nuzum, Angie Taylor, Katie Booth; Second row: MaLynda Brock, Sherry Hamilton, Jaime Veach, Sarah Simmons, and Maria Jeffers, Back row: Brian Vaught, Jarrod Cluck and Jason Button. Photo by Bray's.

Sue Cluck teaches her nephews, Craig and Curt Windmeyer, how to do the Twist. Photo by Bray's.
The juniors who attended prom are, Front row: Amanda Twombly, Kim Ruhnke, Jennifer Collins, Rebecca Lackey, Courtney Harness, and Tabitha Reist Second row: Mark Allen, Jay Gormley, Darin Peters, Nathan Priest, Stephen Blevins, Brian Simpson, and Dylan Dorrell. Photo by Bray’s.

Seniors, Sarah Simmons and Katie Booth prove that they are all that and more as they groove to the music. Photo by Bray’s.

Senior couple Jason Button and Maria Jeffers dance the night away under the stars that were hung for the occasion. Photo by Bray’s.

The Windmeyer brothers--Clint, Craig, and Curt--do the Pretzel with their daring partners. Photo by Bray’s.
Awards Night makes recipients say, “I Feel Good”

Many talented individuals were recognized at Award’s Night.

MaLynda Brock, senior class president, began the program with funny times from grade school to only times in junior high.

Band and choir awards were given out next. Angie Taylor, senior, received an award for being outstanding in band. Maria Jeffers, senior, was voted Outstanding Vocalist by her choir peers.

Katie Booth and Jarrod Cluck, seniors, received the math/science awards for their accomplishments in Physics.

Booth received Armed Services Scholar Athlete and Marine Corp Scholastic Athlete. All-Around Student was Jeffers. I Dare You leadership awards were given to Amanda Twombly and Mark Allen, juniors.

Academic and vocational chords were distributed among the seniors. Booth earned Valedictorian, and Jeffers earned Salutatorian.

Jan Collins ended the evening with lyrics from the hit song “Circle of Life.” He quoted “never take more than you give in the circle of life.” Collins’ advice was followed by a film of the senior class prepared by Angie Neibling. By Jennifer Collins.
Elmer Schmitz, Ag teacher, acknowledges Mark Allen for having the most community service hours. Photo by Jennifer Collins.

MaLynda Brock presents Angie Neibling, four year sponsor, with a senior picture display. Photo by Jennifer Collins.

Mary Lou Colley, librarian, presents Chris Blevins with the Citizenship Award. Photo by Jennifer Collins.

Maria Jeffers is happy to earn Salutatorian while shaking the hand of Principal Cheryl Rasmussen. Photo by Nathan Priest.

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Graduation--realization of "The Impossible Dream"

The graduation ceremony was as short and sweet as the list of graduates for 1995. This event, which took place on Sunday, May 21, followed the traditional agenda with most of the seniors stepping perfectly to the rhythm of "Pomp and Circumstance" during their last minutes of undergraduate life. Tabitha Reist, junior, demonstrated her musical talent as she contributed this lively tune on the sunny Sunday afternoon. Jennifer Collins tried to keep Darin Peters in step as they led in the graduates.

Maria Jeffers gave her salutary address to her classmates and Katie Booth gave the valedictory address after the Swing Choir touched attentants with "Straight from the Heart."

Dr. Joy Jeffers, 1980 alumnus and older sister of Maria Jeffers, gave the graduation speech. She is now a dentist and resides in Oregon. She quoted numerous authors in her speech, including one of her favorites, Dr. Seuss. Her speech concentrated on finding success in life by having the right attitude toward life and by being glad to be yourself.

Jan and Barbara Collins were recognized for twenty-five years of education in the school system. The diplomas were distributed among the seniors, and the ceremony came to an abrupt end. By Nathan Priest.
The seniors patiently wait in a line of twelve, clutching newly awarded diplomas. Photo by Bray's.

The Swing Choir contributes to the sincerity of the event with their number, "Straight From the Heart."

Jason Button, a recent addition to Highland, leads the seniors to the stage to as “Pomp and Circumstance” rings in the background. Photo by Bray’s.

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