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Midway High School
Denton, KS 66017
The theme "Soar like an Eagle" was chosen because we felt that this year MHS and its students were attempting to achieve bigger and better goals.

The students seemed to be striving to maintain better relationships amongst themselves and the faculty. Even the seniors and freshmen were getting along, which is very unusual.

Sometimes you won't always like the outcome of a test or game, but the next time that situation arises you will have gained some knowledge and know what to expect. To get the most out of your high school years, you need to have the best possible experiences.

This year the athletic department didn't obtain everything they wished to accomplish, but the pride and spirit in the school stayed alive. The athletes learned to work together as teams which is a great asset. This is what we feel is soaring like an eagle.

Academics is the most important part in school. Most students seemed to care more about their grades and place in life than did last year.

In every aspect, we hope that we may "Soar like an Eagle."
Close your eyes to the
and you open the
faults of others
doors to friendship
Donald Halling and Lori Godfrey enjoy the annual bonfire.
B. Nimz, K. Norris, S. Hager, and C. Albers relax in between bonfire cheers.

Seniors set an example for underclassmen while playing poker during study hall.
Carolyn Horton makes a face while listening to Coach Ninemire at a volleyball game.
Heidi Underwood struggles to push a penny during freshmen initiation.
Pat Urban, Pat Tharp, and Buddy Harrell race to see who can push the penny the fastest.

Steve Jamvold is being decorated by Diana Huff during spirit week.

Lisa Brox, Brian Swinford, and flower girl Rebecca Martin wait to find out who will be the 1984 Snowball queen.

Janet Elliott writes fiercely to complete her thought before going out to cheer at the annual bonfire.
Juniors Survive the Year, but . . .

"I think our class is kind of different because we judge others on how we see them rather than what they are really like, and we single people out. Other than that we get along just fine," said Andy Becker. This is a time of transition for the juniors. It increases their range of problems, all the way from deciding about Prom to just deciding who works concessions. Therefore, these added responsibilities cause more disputes within the class that they will have to deal with, without breaking up or separating the class.

To raise money for Prom, the juniors have had a magazine sales, and they have held a successful dinner-theater with the help of Jackie Wenger.

"I think we get along pretty good, and our class is working better this year," said Janet Elliott.
Carmen Albers, Jay Horton, and Mike Matthias are enjoying Hats and Glasses Day in Mr. Baird's office during spirit week.

Danny Nigus is trying to avoid the camera person while doing his homework.

Andy Becker is strutting his muscular body during P.E.
Melinda Anderson and Sheryl Cluck sit watching a basketball game.
The sophomore class has been very active throughout the year. They won the magazine sales at the beginning of the year and also sold cheese. Shelly Nimz said about her class. "We have realized high school is not all fun and games; you have to work hard at what you do to achieve your goals." To most of the sophomores, a goal is when you want something that you must work at to achieve. The sophomores' main goal is earning money for Prom and other activities. The two most active sellers in the class are Jeff Caudle and Mike Long. Sophomore class sponsor Dylma Ringe said, "They are a hard working class on selling money making projects."

Two new members have joined the sophomore class this year. They are Debbie Hundley and Jeff Godfrey. Debbie Hundley is active in girls’ M-Club. Jeff Godfrey is active in football and track.
Is being a freshman all that bad? Some students of the freshman class say it isn't because it is easier than junior high, and you have more fun; but, on the other hand, there are many points of view.

"In junior high I could do more stuff and get away with it. But as a freshman there are more teachers watching you, and the seniors bug you," said Steve Jamvold.

Freshmen get picked on a lot. For instance, one of the biggest fears is initiation. During spirit week the freshman boys had to dress up as girls, and the most memorable thing was when James Betts had to wear his hair in pigtails said several of the freshman class.

To graduate to high school from junior high is probably a major step in their lives because they feel more important and accepted in high school. Their class sponsor, Dinah Snowden said, "The most important is exactly how these students and I stand knowing I'm accepted and needed by them and them by me."
Henry Peuker and Dennis Meredith work on spelling while changing the activity board.

Jean Albers
James Betts
Leighanna Cerami
Marty Couchman
Melissa Coy

John Goodpasture
Kim Gordon
Shell Hager — Vice Pres.
Buddy Harrell
Steve Jamvold

Anne Joyce — Pres.
Krista Keys
Lisa Law — Stu-Co
Dennis Meredith
Kelli Norris

J. R. Peuker
Pat Tharp — Treas.
Heidi Underwood
Pat Urban — Sec.
Experience is a hard teacher because she gives the test first, the lesson afterwards.
Vernon Law
The husky football player is towering over Scott Elder in Junior's Territory.

The winner for the Hats and Glasses Day was Jim Baker.

Dressed up like babies are Kellia Norris, Kim Gordon, and Anne Joyce.

Posing for Cowboy Day are Becky Nimz and Eric Heinen.
Spirit Week Lifted Enthusiasm

"Look at that!" shouted someone on Hats and Glasses Day as Jim Baker strutted down the hall with his wire framed glasses and his sombrero. This was an example of the many odd, but exciting outfits that were seen during Homecoming spirit week.

The other days of spirit week were Cowboy, Pajama, Punk Rock, Red, White, and Blue, Baby, Green and Purple, Grubby, and Dress up.

Following the tradition, the senior girls made breakfast for the football team and coaches. On this special day, the senior girls called KNZA and dedicated the song "Power" by Crystal Gayle to the team.

Friday was highlighted by an outdoor pep rally in which the cheerleaders performed a skit accompanied by their pet caterpillar "Percy."
Attendants Diana Huff and Scott Elder.

1983 Homecoming King and Queen Donald Halling and Kelli Hager.

Attendants Carolyn Horton and Eric Heinen.
On September 30, Kelli Hager was crowned the 1983 Homecoming Queen during halftime ceremonies of the Midway-Stewartsville game. Kelli Hager was crowned by King Donald Halling. Her attendants were Diana Huff escorted by Scott Elder and Carolyn Horton escorted by Eric Heinen. The crown bearer was Aaron Albers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Albers, and the flower girl was Amy Albers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Albers.

"My heart was in total elation when Donald crowned me. But the biggest thrill was when he kissed me! My dream of being kissed by Donald had come true!!" joked Kelli Hager.
The Homecoming football game was held September 30 with kickoff time at 7:30 P.M. The Eagles took on the Stewartsville Cardinals of Missouri. The Eagles came out on top with the final score of 60 to 0.

After the game there was a Homecoming dance. Unfortunately there wasn't a very good turn out, and the ones that did show left early. "I didn't like where they had it because it was too roomy, and it would have been better if more people would have been there," said Carmen Albers. The dance was put on by Stu-Co in the multi-purpose room, and the music was played by Greg Boozer of KNZA.

"I didn't like the sound of KNZA being the ones playing the music for Homecoming because it's all country music, so I didn't go," said Diana Huff.
"I'm so glad I came out of the closet!" jokes Tim Becker after putting on Kelli Hager's crown.

Danny Nigus and Anne Joyce take a break during the Homecoming dance.

Dancing to a slow dance are Sue Elder and Steve Becker.

Many people "jam" to the music by KNZA.
The junior class held their dinner and play theater October 21. Approximately 280 people attended the dinner and watched the play “Headin' for a Weddin'.” The juniors made $790 to use for Prom and senior sneak. Jackie Wenger directed the play.

There were a few minor complications such as the string on Paw’s skunk that was accidentally broken by Mike Urban which prevented the skunk’s grand entrance on stage. The gun shots didn’t fire, but Jane Halling screamed anyway. There were very few forgotten lines in the play. A junior, Jennifer Kopp, described the play and the play practices in one sentence, “Practices were a drag and boring, but the play turned out really good and everyone enjoyed it.”

The play revolves around two hillbilly families. Hornor Hollowbone’s letter writing to a society girl (Melissa Dugan) sends her to the cabin looking for a rich young man. Mistaken identities and other love interests caused a feud. But the feud is resolved when the pet skunk with many talents is discovered, and the family will be rich. So Melissa does find Hornor as a rich young man, and they all live happily ever after.

The Blairhouse family portrait consists of Slim, Widow, and Bertha.

Isabel and Hortense (Sue Elder and Jane Halling) sit warming up after being stranded in a snowstorm.

Danny Nigus waits nervously for the play to begin.
Juniors Present

"Headin' for a Weddin'"

Cast
Homor Hollowbone — Chad Gordon
Maw Hollowbone — Kathy Anderson
Paw Hollowbone — Matt Clements
Sarah Jo Hollowbone — Kelli Soyland
Gracie May Hollowbone — Carmen Albers
Wilber Hollowbone — Mike Urban
Pepper Hollowbone — Jim Betts
Patches Hollowbone — Jay Horton
Grandpappy Hankley — Kevin Lentz
Widow Blairhouse — Connie Fergerson
Bertha Blairhouse — Jennifer Kopp
Slim Blairhouse — Danny Nigus

The Hollowbone family consists of (front row: l to r) Wilber, Gracie May, and Sarah Jo (back row) Homor, Paw, Maw, Pepper, Grandpappy, and Patches.

The Junior Class presented Jackie Wenger with a gift for her time and help on the play.

Melissa Dugan — Janet Elliott
Hortense Todd — Jane Halling
Isabel Todd — Sue Elder
Stage — Brian Godfrey
Steve Libel
Makeup — Dinah Snowden
Andy Becker
On January 21, 1984, Brian Swinford and Janet Elliott were crowned King and Queen of courts at the halftime of the boys' A-team game. Their attendants were Becky Nimz, senior; Danny Nigus, junior; Ric Baird and Melinda Anderson, sophomores; Pat Tharp and Anne Joyce, freshmen. The flower girl was Rebecca Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Martin. The crown bearer was Jim Scherer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Scherer.

There were only two games scheduled for Friday night. The girls' A-team was won by Sacred Heart 47-38, and boys' A-team was won by Midway 57-55. After the game, the dance which was held in the cafeteria was disc jockeyed by Rusty Godfrey, Joe Albers, and Pastor Kaden.

The 1984 Royalty smile while sitting on stage.

Mark Martin escorts his daughter Rebecca to Snowball ceremony practice.

King Brian Swinford and Queen Janet Elliott pose for a picture after the crowning.
Matt Clements outjumps an opponent during the game.

D. Nigus, D. Halling, and M. Clements take a break.

The girls listen to Coach Leatherman's advice during the Snowball game.

Carmen Albers heads for the other end of the court while the others scramble for the ball.
Brian Swinford and Janet Elliott take their royalty dance as king and queen.

Mr. Hawkins and Diana Huff enjoy the Snowball dance.

The crowd relaxes after a long dance.

Ric Baird and Carmen Albers dance to a slow song while Mark Laverentz looks on toward the crowd.
Sam Adams (S. Elder) tells Abby (K. Hager) the information needed for her honeymoon while Mrs. Raney (D. Huff), Maxi (D. Miller), and Mini (T. Ferguson) listen.

Director Bob Baird receives his gift after all his hard work for the play.

Mom Hackle (C. Horton) lectures Frank Raney (J. Hundertmark) about her son Charlie.

Eric Heinen gets sprayed by shaving cream from Lisa Brox.
Although memorizing lines and long practices were hardly bearable, some of the more memorable moments were the cork gun fights and the "full moons." Also everyone thought that it was really nice of Darlene's Mom to make sandwiches for us on our last night of practice.

The Senior class made a profit of $229. After the play, Eric Heinen held a cast party at his house for the seniors to watch their junior and senior plays.

The cast consisted of the following:

Director —
Bob Baird

Charlie Hackle —
Donald Halling

Sam Adams —
Scott Elder

Abby —
Killi Hager

Mrs. Raney —
Diana Huff

Mom Hackle —
Carolyn Horton

Frank Raney —
Jeremy Hundertmark

Tina —
Becky Nimz

Hilga —
Lori Godfrey

Anatole Grindstaff —
Ray Vonderschmidt

The Professors —
Eric Heinen and Lisa Brox

Wrenn Sisters —
Tina Fergerson and Darlene Miller

Stage Crew —
Butch Purvis and Brian Swinford

Directing the play was Bob Baird.

E. Heinen, L. Brox, L. Godfrey, R. Vonderschmidt, and D. Huff have their attention towards K. Hager and D. Halling.

Lori Godfrey gets prepared for opening night.
On the night of May 8th, Tuesday evening, the awards banquet was held with a pot-luck supper starting at 6:30. The awards presentations followed at 7:30. Some of the awards given included honor roll, athletic letters, music awards, and business and math awards.

The American Legion Outstanding Student award this year went to Eric Heinen and Lisa Brox with Donald Halling and Kelli Hager as runners-up. Ray Vonderschmidt and Lisa were awarded the Kansas State High School Activities Association Citizenship Awards. Kevin Lentz was mentioned as a Semifinalist in the National Merit Scholarship Tests. Lisa Brox received the President’s Council of Academic Fitness Award. Lisa also received the Kansas State University Outstanding Math and Science Student for Midway.

Donald Halling, Lisa Brox, and Eric Heinen received the American Legion Outstanding Student Awards.
Kevin Lentz was a National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist.

Leighanna Cerami is honored for Superintendent's Honor Roll.

Melinda Anderson and Michael Brox are initiated into National Honor Society.

Ray Vonderschmidt is awarded the Kansas State Activity Association Citizenship Award.
It was a nice night on the night of May 5, 1984 when the juniors had their Junior-Senior Prom. It started at 6:30, and the dance followed at 9:00.

There were many problems getting started. Painting flats the week before prom made the juniors very busy. People started getting mad at each other because the decorations didn’t look right. Despite mumbling and grumbling, the Junior-Senior Prom turned out well.

The food, prepared by the junior class mothers, included Swiss steak, corn, twice-baked potato, and ice cream. After dinner the prophecies were read by Danny Nigus, and the wills were read by Scott Elder.

The dance started at 9:00 and the band that played was Myth. “They sounded pretty good, but they could have turned it down some,” said Jay Horton. For extra entertainment Andy Becker ran up on stage and sang with the band because the band requested someone to do this.

The juniors worked hard at learning to work together so the Prom would be a success, thanks to the hard work of Mrs. Triplett and Mr. Robison. This was the last year they would sponsor the Junior-Senior Prom since they will no longer be teaching here. The junior class thanks them very much for their help and dedication.

After a long year the junior’s prom fell into place.
Scott Elder and Etola Berry enjoy a slow song played by Myth.

Angie Hager sets the dinner rolls at the Board Members’ table.

Danny Nigus reads prophecies at the Jr. and Sr. prom.

Scott Elder reads senior wills at prom.
Danny Nigus and Anne Joyce enjoy the music at the dance.

It's late in the evening, and everyone shows signs of fatigue.

Jay Horton heads for the punch table.

Jennifer Kopp, Brian Swinford, and Hedi Underwood relax after a dance.
Donald Halling gives his Salutatorian speech.

Escorts were Sue Elder, Danny Nigus, Jane Halling, and Kevin Lentz.

The graduating class of 1984.

Butch Purvis receives his diploma.
Walking down the aisle to the step of "Pomp and Circumstance," sitting under the stage lights burning up and listening to seemingly long speeches makes you wish it was all over. Deep down though everyone knew they would miss many people.

The Valedictorian of the 1984 graduating class was Lisa Brox and Donald Halling, Salutatorian.

The biggest question in everyone's mind is what lies before them. Becoming independent is the hardest because your parents were always by your side holding your hand so you wouldn't fall. Even though everyone has to experience this feeling, each person from the class of 1984 will become their own individual being.

Diana Huff, Lisa Brox, Kelli Hager, and Lori Godfrey said graduating was "thumbs up"!!

After thirteen years of school, Scott Elder gets his diploma.
"I'll take this handbag," replied Tina Fergerson.

The senior girls enjoy riding the ever-so-popular Bumper Cars.

Scott Elder tries to be tough by smoking a cigar.

Jeremy Hundertmark and Carolyn Horton enjoy playing pool.
On Wednesday, May 23, at 5:30 A.M. fourteen excited seniors and three under-slept sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Leatherman and Mr. Deustcher, left for the Ozarks. Arriving at Kalfran Lodge about noon, everyone headed for the pool. Friday night they went to Denny Hilton's Country Shindig and then back to the lodge for a dance and wiener roast which was held every night. The seniors enjoyed various activities such as swimming, skiing, go-karts, tennis, water slides, movies, miniature golf, Hill Billy Town, and the Strip.

The seniors took the annual old time pictures. After five days and four nights of plenty of exercise and good food, the seniors came back to Midway May 27.
A month of tragedy best describes September. The first day of September will be remembered for a long time to come. The Korean Boeing 747 flight 007 was shot down by the Russians. 240 people were killed including U.S. Rep. Larry McDonald. The Russians assumed it was a spy plane because it entered into their airspace, according to news stories. On Sept. 5, Jimmy Connors defeated Ivan Lendl to win his fifth men's singles title at the U.S. Open Tennis Championship. At the end of the month the Dow Jones Stock exchange closed at 1260.77, a new record high.

Although the month started calmly enough, October ended in another tragedy. On Oct. 5, Lech Walesa was named the winner of the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize. U.S. National Security Adviser William Clark was the surprise choice to replace James Watt as Secretary of the Interior. On Oct. 23, a truck loaded with explosives barreled into a U.S. Marine headquarters building at Lebanon's Beirut International Airport killing 239 U.S. Marines.

On November 9, the new Missouri bridge finally opened after many difficulties during the process of building it. One overpass fell during a state inspection killing one woman.

During December many things happened. Mike Rozier, a football player for the Nebraska Cornhuskers, won the Heisman award. Two American planes were shot down and eight marines were killed in Lebanon. Willie Wilson, Jerry Martin, and Willie Aikens were sentenced to prison for 3 months because of drug abuse and possession of drugs. All three are players for the Kansas City Royals.

In the month of January singer Michael Jackson made the news everywhere. He won eight American Music Awards and caught his hair on fire while filming a commercial for the Pepsi-Cola Company. The Los Angeles Raiders won the Super Bowl 38-9 over the Washington Redskins. Rev. Jessie Jackson, a Democratic presidential candidate, helped free pilot Robert Goodman who was captured a month earlier. And President Ronald Reagan announced his candidacy for president for another term.

On February 9, Soviet leader Yuri Andropov died; he was replaced by Konstantin Chernenko. Two satellites malfunctioned after being launched from the spaceship Challenger. Scott Hamilton won a gold medal in men's figure skating, and Bill Johnson won a gold medal in skiing in the 1984 Winter Olympics. Michael Jackson won eight Grammy Awards. His album *Thriller* won the album of the year. This album has sold more than any other in the history of music. Sen. Gary Hart is the surprise winner over Walter Mondale in many primaries. He is a Democratic presidential candidate. On March 11, Kelley Stillings had a 7lb. 11oz. girl named Courtney Beth. Also in March people started reporting findings of pins and needles in their Girl Scout cookies.
On April 11, singer Marvin Gaye died after his father shot him in an argument over an insurance policy. Carmen Albers, Janet Elliott, Sue Elder, and Kelli Soyland participated in the Jr. Miss contest in Hiawatha. Kelli Soyland won the Academic Award. Many high school students skipped school to go to a track meet at Highland. Then they ended up spending time after school for it. On April 26, tornadoes ripped through Doniphan county communities causing much damage. The same night tornadoes hit the town of Effingham leaving many people homeless. The sophomore class were given 16 demerits for skipping class. David Kennedy, son of Robert Kennedy, died.

In May, Senior Lisa Brox was named outstanding student. She attended dinner at the governor's mansion. And many countries gave the indication that they would be boycotting the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles. And on May 21, 16 seniors graduated from Midway.

Singer Michael Jackson was a hit in 1984.

The Midway Jr. Miss contestants were 1 to r: Carmen Albers, Sue Elder, Kelli Soyland, and Janet Elliott.
The National Honor Society consists of students with a grade point average of 3.35. To be accepted in the Honor Society, these people have to be accepted by the faculty, with service, leadership, and character being considered.

"It is not a very active group, but I'm proud to belong to it," said Lisa Brox.


Eric Heinen poses for the camera with his shirt, I Believe...
Stu-Co Helps Build Leadership

The Stu-Co consists of two student bodies. One is the active council which takes care of the school activities. The other is the executive council which is in charge of school matters.

The Stu-Co also presents the student handbook which has the school conduct rules that the students must follow. This handbook was submitted to the Kansas Association of School Boards and received honorable mention this year.

"I feel that Stu-Co has progressed well and has made a big improvement over the years," said Mr. Ninemire.

Lisa Brox gives a pep speech. National Honor Society and Stu-Co build leadership.


Kathy Anderson said, "You don't do anything, and it's not a very active organization."
In about the same
you will be happy.
degree as you are helpful,
Captains Eric Heinen and Donald Halling look astonished as the referee explains "I will be at the concession stand if you need me."

For the past two years Midway's football team has won State in class 1-A, 8-Man competition.

This year the football team started out with a lack of experienced leaders and team experience following the graduation of last year's starters. They started with a loss to Sacred Heart in a triple overtime, thus ruining a 23-game winning streak. The Eagles soon picked up pace to win 5 games in a row before losing to Highland in a game deciding who would represent this district in state competition. They finished the season with a 38 to 13 win over Linwood.

When asked what he thought of this year's football team Mr. Juhl replied, "We had two losses: Sacred Heart and Highland. The Sacred Heart game was probably the best effort we could have put forth under the conditions. The Highland loss was disappointing, but I felt it was a good team effort, Highland just had a better team that night. Our players practiced like champions and played like champs, and no coach could ask for more effort than our players gave in 1983."

Midway's offensive line prepares to attack the Highland defense in the deciding game.

Ray Vonderschmidt trots off the field after making his touchdown against Linwood.
Chad Gordon cuts around the end looking for more yards against the Elwood Jr. Varsity.

Jeff Godfrey follows the blocking of Eric Heinen for more yardage.

Midway's deceptive and quick offense even eludes the camera.

Midway's competitive nature stands out as Matt Clements warns the opponents.
Inconsistent Playing Hurts Season

Kellie Norris concentrates on her serving.

"We had a lot of experience this year plus new players. When we all worked together, we won the games that were important to us," said Kelli Hager. In the beginning Mr. Ninemire didn't think the team would improve themselves because they lost a lot of good players last year, but he worked with them, and the team proved themselves by the best of their abilities," she said.

Even though the girls didn't make it to State this year, the majority felt that it was one of the better years.

"We cooperated and listened to each other better than last year which made it more fun and the team better," commented Lisa Brox.

The varsity finished the season with a 14-13 record, and the junior varsity's was 3-6.

The girls had games in which they played inconsistently, and this hurt them throughout the season, said Mr. Ninemire.

They lost to B & B in the semifinals of the State regionals held at Wetmore.

"I felt the girls would be a little better at the end of the season, and I expected a trip to Sub-State," said Coach Ninemire.


Anne Joyce goes up for a spike.
Senior Lisa Brox spikes the volleyball while Senior Kelli Hager tries to block before a game.

Janet Elliott's and Carmen Alber's minds are in another time zone.

The girls get pepped up before a game.

1983-84 Varsity team was front row l to r: K. Hager, J. Elliott, and C. Albers; middle row l to r: L. Brox and K. Norris; back row l to r: C. Horton, J. Hailing, and S. Elder.
LACK of Self-Confidence Leads Eagles to

“A lack of any experienced players at varsity level combined with a tough schedule consisting mainly of 2A, 3A, 4A competition produced a 4-16 record for the Eagles,” said Coach Baird. The Eagles had a wrong attitude which is an important factor because they developed a lack of self-confidence in themselves and as a team.

“Individual improvement throughout the season was evident, but too many instances the Eagles broke down for a fraction of the game resulting in defeat,” said Coach Baird.

Assistant Coach Martin said with the right attitude and dedication to basketball, several young players could develop into fine players.

“We had the potential but not the desire,” said Donald Halling.

Brian Swinford sets up for two at the Imac Tourney.

4-16 Record

Marty Joyce goes to the free throw line at a home game.

Eric Heinen plays tough defense against his opponents.

The freshman basketball players from l to r: are Coach Baird, J. Goodpasture, D. Meredith, S. Jamvold, P. Urban, P, Tharp.
At the beginning of the year, the girls set a goal of having more wins than losses at the end of the season. The girls lost in the second round at Regionals against Baileyville, but at the end of the season they did have a record of 11-10.

The girls lacked speed, quickness, and a bonafide scorer. On the other hand, the team had a pretty good defense and attitude, said Mr. Leatherman.

“For the most part they'll listen to what you say and try to incorporate that into their game. Sometimes, you can literally see a player improve from one week to the next,” replied Coach Leatherman.

“I think we had a really good team when we did play as a team. Not every ball team can have a perfect season; a little rain must fall sometime,” stated Becky Nimz.
Mr. Leatherman gives some advice during the time out.


The Midway cross country team qualified for State again this year with the help of veteran coach Jim Leatherman.

Mr. Leatherman coached cross country from 1974 to 1981 and returned to the world of cross country after taking a break for a couple of years.

The Eagles finished 8th in State teamwise and individually they finished with Donald Halling 22, Eric Heinen 36, Kevin Lentz 40, Michael Brox 43, Jeff Caudle 46, Steve Jamvold 71, and Mark Laverentz 75.
The boys’ track team had a good year placing in the top 2 in 5 of the 9 meets they competed in.

The girls’ track team was inexperienced and ran against experienced and tough competition; they still had a respectable season placing 1st in the Midway Meet.

The boys’ track team did well in the finishings having constant 1sts, 2nds, and 3rds but when they reached regionals they came up against stiffer competition than they had previously run against. They only had two relay teams that qualified for state competition. The relay teams were the 400 meter: Scott Elder, Danny Nigus, Matt Clements, and Jeff Godfrey; the mile relay team is Eric Heinen, Donald Halling, Matt Clements, and Jeff Godfrey.

The 400 meter relay finished 6th and the mile relay finished 8th.
Danny Nigus tries unsuccessfully to pole vault over the bar.

The girl's track team included front row l to r: J. Albers and D. Miller; back row: J. Elliott, C. Albers, J. Halling, K. Gordon, K. Keys, A. Joyce, K. Norris, and R. Betts.


Jean Albers crosses the finish line ahead of her other competitors.
Jeff Godfrey wins the 400 meter at the Highland Relays.

Mr. Leatherman writes down times as Mr. Ninemire points to the runners.

Kelli Norris relaxes before her next race.

Diana Huff and Anne Joyce race together in the 110 meter hurdles.
Once upon a time a little girl in a blue skirt at Midway High School was surprised to be a cheerleader. She said, "It is fun and means a lot to go out and support the team, but it isn't what it's cracked up to be. It takes much hard work and practice to become a successful cheerleader."

This year 30 girls tried out; it was tough with all the competition, but she made it, and all the little tots of Midway were glad to see that they had another cheerleading squad.

The cheerleaders help the spirit out on the night of the bonfire.

Anne Joyce is one of the three freshman cheerleaders.

S. Hager, K. Norris, S. Elder, and J. Elliott do a routine during a pep rally.
Carmen Albers poses for the camera with her new hairdo.

The 1984 cheerleaders are bottom row: l to r — S. Hager, J. Elliott, T. Fergerson; middle row: l to r — S. Elder, B. Nimz; top row: l to r — A. Joyce, K. Norris, and C. Albers.

C. Albers, B. Nimz, T. Fergerson, and S. Elder draw the center of attention.
### Volleyball

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Jeff and Donald enjoy the sun during a track meet.
A child miseducated is a child lost.
John F. Kennedy
Students Are What Make Teaching Fun.

In order to graduate from Midway High School, a student must have four years of English which is taught by Mrs. Stillings. This year Mrs. Stillings had a student teacher, Miss Halling. There were some problems with her teaching the students because they were used to Mrs. Stillings' teaching, but they said she was all right after you got used to her.

The students are what make teaching so good for Mrs. Stillings; she also said that Midway students are extra special even if they never seem to learn punctuation. Mrs. Stillings really enjoys Midway. "I think I get along with the students even though they may not think so," said Mrs. Stillings. During most of the last quarter Mrs. Rush substituted for Mrs. Stillings who was on maternity leave. She had a baby girl on March 11, named Courtney Beth.
"This class drives me crazy," said Mrs. Rush, the English substitute teacher.

Diana Huff busily at work.

Brian Swinford hits the books during English IV.

This year's yearbook staff consists of: L. Godfrey, A. Becker, D. Huff, E. Heinen, C. Fergerson, and J. Horton
Next school year two years of math will be required for the freshmen and everyone graduating after them. This came about because the state thought that we should learn more math in high school. Jim Leatherman feels that two years is okay, but he wouldn't mind if more was required because the more math you learn in high school will help you throughout life.

He says he likes teaching at Midway because of the small school, and since it is small he gets to know the students better.

His advice to the seniors is, "Be true to your own convictions. Try and be a whole sole person."

Mr. Leatherman teaches Algebra I and II, geometry, advance math, and critical thinking. He has taught at Midway for 12 years. He also coaches cross country, boys' cross country, and girls' basketball.

Jim Leatherman discusses the newspaper with J. Goodpasture and D. Meredith.

Michael Brox looks up from his studies for a quick picture.

Jim Leatherman gives the camera a nice smile.
Accounting II student Kelli Hagar said, "I took business classes because I am planning on getting into some business area in college." Accounting I and II students learned the basics of record keeping and budgeting. Shorthand I and II students learned to write at a faster pace and also they learned that the squiggly lines in their books really meant something. In Office Practice you learn to type and file correctly. Speed and accuracy were the aim of Typing I and II classes. General Business course can be valuable for everyone because the students deal with everyday problems such as taxes, banking, and consumer economics.

Vicki Winchester teaches business classes at Midway High School. She has been teaching at Midway for 5 years.

Business teacher Vicki Winchester poses for a picture.
James Betts and Henry Peuker are busy working on their homework. James Betts and Henry Peuker are busy working on their homework.

"I have enjoyed my six years here at Midway and find the students to be, overall, easy to work with, and well behaved. With this type of environment, classes are much easier to conduct and also much more pleasant," said Mr. Robison.

"It is hard to understand, but it is interesting. Mr. Robison does a good job and explains it pretty well," replied Mike Long.

"The areas of science, as we all know, are in constant change. This presents quite a challenge to all of us, just to keep up and do the best we can with all the new ideas and discoveries bombarding us each year," stated Tom Robison.

The freshman science class trying to learn something.

Mr. Robison assists Matt Clements during lab in Chemistry class.
Elden Ninemire teaches Social Science which he has been doing since 1974. He selected this subject to teach because he thought government and history were an area that would continue to be interesting and changing throughout his career.

"I feel the students at M.H.S. are a great bunch with the ability to accomplish many good deeds in the future," stated Mr. Ninemire.

"Mr. Ninemire knows what he's talking about and usually can get it across to the students," replied Kelli Hager.

Geography class finally learned where Kansas is.

Elden Ninemire teaches history class to the high school students.
Counselor Helps Students’ Plans.

“What did that mechanic say my car needed,” wonders Mr. Baird.

“I am the greatest,” says Mr. Baird after listening to Zig Ziggler’s positive thinking tapes.

Mr. Baird came to Midway High School in 1980 from Kentucky. He teaches life, Bible literature, psychology, and family living. Mr. Baird is also the school counselor, and he helps the juniors and seniors plan for their futures. His advice to the current high school students is, “You need to rethink the state motto of Kansas, Ad Astra Per Aspera, which means, to the stars through difficulty. Too many want it too easy and are unwilling to pay the price.”

Among all his other duties, Mr. Baird also coaches boys’ basketball with the help of assistant coach Martin. He also directs the senior play.
Mr. Juhl shows Ric Baird and Mike Matthias how to open a cardboard box.

Mr. Juhl teaches small gas engines, automobile fundamentals, Welding I and II, general shop, beginning woods, advanced woodworking, and cabinet making. He is also the Midway football coach and the girls' assistant basketball coach.

Mr. Juhl was an honorary coaching member for the East squad at the 1983 Kansas Shrine Bowl.

His advice to the students at Midway is, "Always believe and never lose faith. The Bible says, 'Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, for when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.'" James 1:12

Jeff Godfrey uses the "old method" of cutting a piece of metal before Midway bought the new radial saw for metal.

"If this jointer would work correctly, I'd be done by now," thinks Jamie Hundertmark.
Band Makes New Changes

This year the band tried something new by combining high school band members with junior high band members during the marching season because of the small size of the high school band. It turned out better than expected.

Kathy Anderson gives her view on the change, "I think combining the bands gave us size and volume so that everyone could hear our mistakes."

During the first semester of school the band's attention was focused on pep band music to be played during football season. As the year progressed the music changed from the fast tempo of "Mister touchdown U.S.A." to the slow tempo of "Russian Coral and Overture." On November 9, the Midway band played at the Missouri bridge opening in Elwood, Kansas. They were one of the few bands that went. On March 24, the band traveled to Atchison for regionals to play as a small ensemble, and they received a III rating.

People participating in regionals are S. Cluck, clarinet trio; J. Elliott, flute solo; M. Long, baritone solo; K. Gordon, clarinet trio; K Norris, clarinet trio.
Chorus Enjoys a Busy Year

This year there were two singing groups. These were Mixed Chorus and Girls Sextet.

The mixed chorus performed at many concerts this year and the usual Christmas and Spring programs. They also performed in Topeka and Kansas City for regional contests.

The girls sextet performed at the Spring concert and in Kansas City and Topeka. The Sextet regionals was held in Atchison where the group received a III rating.

Doug Deutscher, teacher, said that he was pleased with progress this year considering the lack of participation.

Girls Sextet: D. Miller, K. Gordon, C. Albers, J. Elliott, S. Elder, C. Ferguson

Mr. Doug Deutscher talks to the audience after a performance.


Chorus: 75
Art Is a Place to Be Constructive

Art is a place in school where students can be constructive. Some students can learn a hobby that will be relaxing and rewarding while others will learn the value of color and qualities that are needed in everyday living. All students can learn to appreciate the beauty of the everyday simple objects. This is why art is such an important part of the school curriculum, according to Dinah Snowden, art teacher.

Art classes at Midway are taught by Dinah Snowden, who has taught at Midway since 1980. She decided to teach art because she has artistic ability and she wants to pass it on to others who are willing to learn. Her advice to the seniors is, "Life is too short to waste. Take advantage of every good opportunity that comes by. Always remember, learn as much as you can as well as you can. It prepares you that much more to take on the trials and tribulations of being classified as an adult."

Pat Tharp "spaces off" to the other side of the Art room.

Becky Nimz shows us her funny side.

Dinah Snowden looks at negatives while Steve Jamvold tells her not all of them are that funny.
This year there was a change in the Home Ec. classes taught by Patricia Triplett. Instead of a full day of classes, now there is only a half day of classes because of low enrollment.

Home Ec. I and II classes learn about nutrition, health, and career education the first half of the year through cooking all types of food. Consumer education in clothing, wardrobe management, and sewing things like simple dresses and blouses are taught the last half of the year. In Clothing construction class students learned advanced sewing techniques like sewing zippers and button holes. Independent living students learn about money, clothing, shelter, and food.

Patricia Triplett, who has taught at Midway for 6 years, gives this advice to the seniors, "Do your best. Keep up the good work, and most importantly, keep a good self-image."

Pat Triplett demonstrates fabric for the Home Ec. I class.

Shelli Hager concentrates on her sewing project.

Pat Triplett shows Kellie Norris the sewing machine.
Martin Enjoys Teaching P.E.

Carolyn Horton is unsure of that last call during a game in P.E.

Chad Gordon and Danny Nigus take a flying leap for the frisbee during prison frisbee.

Mark Martin poses for his picture to be taken before his next game.

"I like the school atmosphere. The school is made up of many friendly students, faculty, and parents which helps make it enjoyable to teach here," commented Mark Martin.

He has taught at Midway for two years, now.

"Fun, stimulating, and inspiring when there's no other place to be," replied Matt Clements when asked how he felt about P.E.

"Teaching is like anything else, when you work with the public or large numbers, you can't please everyone all the time. You need to believe in what you are doing and do your best," stated Mark Martin.
Albers Satisfied With First Year

“I am pleased, although, not completely satisfied, with this, my first year as Superintendent of Midway. Everyone has plans and aspirations when approaching a new year and a new job. When considering the purpose for which we are all here — to excel in educational pursuit — I feel very good about the year,” stated Superintendent Bob Albers.

The duties of the administrators are many and varied. Meeting and understanding the needs of the students and being able to fulfill these responsibilities is an important duty of the administrator. They are also responsible for the supervision of all the personnel connected with the school.

The administration consists of Superintendent Bob Albers and Principal Herb Hawkins.
The Board of Education is the governing body of the school district. They make the policies by which the administration and teachers can run the school. There are seven members, there are just two officers: President John F. Halling and Vice-President Jerry Brox.

The Board appoints administration officers. Those are superintendent, principal, clerk, and treasurer. They have a meeting the second Monday of each month.

The Board of Education has bought six computers to improve our students' education. They are looking at many improvements: our school's heating, our school driveways, and the grade school playground for bad weather.
The cooks for the 1984 year were l to r: Jeanette Gronninger, Mary Diebolt, and Rosemary Dodge.

The office employees were l to r: Doris Myers, Lois Wright, Bonnie Winchester, and Tina Hutchison.

Norm Ptomey and Richard Miller keep the school in repair.
Instead of having advertisements in the yearbook, we use "The Booster Board." It is located in the high school gym. That way the ads receive more exposure to the public.

Boosters Help Publications

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller
Gladys Albers
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Douglas Deutscher
Bill and Pat Triplett
Dinah Moulden and family
Mark and Sharon Juhl
Jim and Tina Hutchinson
Doris Myers
Todd, Kelley, and Courtney Stillings
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Jerry Brox and family
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Paul Johnson and family
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Leo and Jeannie Berry
Gene Laverentz and family
Russell Wigus and family
Don Nigus and family
The Clements family
Kay and Gary Godfrey
Norman, Ann, and Janet Elliott
Hayden and Mary Beth Elder
Mark, Nancy, and Rebecca Martin
Bob and Marcia Baird
Mike Urban works hard on a drawing in art class.

Mike Long says, hey english is ok.

Steve Libel and Steve Jamvold work on an engine during independent study in science.

Andy Becker tries to play a tune on a broom.
Becky Nimz loves riding horses.

Connie and Jim Leatherman splash each other while riding Bumper Boats.

Leighanna Cerami is excited about receiving her awards.

Kelli Hager and Marty Joyce take a break during the Prom dance.
Debbie Hundley and Jeff Caudle were initiated into NHS.

Darlene Miller and Diana Huff enjoy riding the Tilt-a-Whirl.

Kelli Hager and Donald Halling study in the lobby.

Scott Elder shoots while Brian Swinford tries to block the shot.
Look familiar? Mr. Miller helps Ray Vonderschmidt with his Algebra II homework.

Anne Joyce and Kellie Norris try to decide who will go first at pushing the penny during freshmen initiation.

Andy Becker puts make-up on Kevin Lentz before the junior play.

"Smile, you're on candid camera," says the photographer to Sue Elder as she comes out of the girls' locker room — or is it the boys' locker room?
This year our yearbook staff was completely new. We were a small group, but we had the determination to meet the deadlines and do the best job we could.

When the staff sat down to think of a theme for the yearbook, we didn’t realize what a tough job it would be.

This year’s staff decided our theme would be “Soar like an Eagle.” One must have a goal to shoot for in order to get somewhere in life. This is what we think is important and what we would like you to remember about this year.

We thank all the people that helped in any way to support the yearbook. We hope you enjoy this year’s 1984 yearbook. Remember the good times!
Plan your work — work your plan.
Eaglets
Eighth Graders Take Big Step

Ryan Winchester looks on during a Jr. High track meet.

Thomas Albers
Mario Anderson
Pat Becker
Neil Caudle
Mike George

Kari Holzhey
Stacy Lentz
Debbie Miller
Jennifer Page
Scott Peuker

Jesse Pierce
Jimmy Ricklefs
Terri Russell
Kristi Schuetz
Ryan Winchester

Roxane Hill, teacher
Barry Coy, not pictured
Debbie Miller walks down the aisle at graduation followed by Scott Peuker.

Pat Becker doesn't look too happy about graduating.

Ryan Winchester looks happy about graduating from Jr. high to high school.

The graduating class of 1988.
Although more 8th graders showed up for the dance, seventh grade enrollment numbered 32 making them the largest class in Jr. High.

Julie Brox
Michelle Brox
Todd Caudle — Pres.
Lawrence Christopher
Dennis Canaday

William Denton
Leslie Godfrey
Christy Goodpasture
Maria Grider
Shannon Hager

Frank Harrell
Eddie Hundley
Mary Hundley
David Johnson — Vice Pres.
Stacia Keys

Angela Klaus
Kristi Kopp
Becky Leatherman — Sec.
Becky Martin
Sandra Matthias
Jesse Pierce shows us his moves at the Jr. High dance.

Jr. High Cheerleaders are Julie Brox, Heather Zeit, Angie Nigus, and Kristi Schuetz, head.

Angie Nigus
Dawn Page
Scott Parker

Valerie Peters
Travis Peuker
Loris Peuker

Teresa Rush
Teresa Simpson
Joseph Underwood

Keith Walsh
Heather Zeit
Wesley Miller, teacher
Jill Mattox, picture not available


The Jr. High girls' track team.
The cross country team looks tired after a long day.

Members of the band take a rest after practice outside.

Tina Fergerson receives an award from Mr. Baird at the Awards Banquet.

Melissa Coy tries to thread a needle in home ec.