



## The Wildeat 1964

Wathena Rurral High School
Nathlena, Kinssis


Ode to President Kennedy By Tom Didlo

The morning dawn was like a spring day,
Filled with happiness, cheer and good will, For this man was filled with unbound spirit,

As bright as the noon day sun,
And with energy unlimited and not yet set free,
To be used for the cause of freedom and truth.

But now the evening is like a winter day,
Dark and dreary with unweighted grief,
For this man as he majestically sat
Before the cheering thousands
Was struck down by a leaden sphere,
Sent on its way by an unseen hand.




## Principal's Message

Many students go through the doors of our school every year. Almost all of these have some differences in their appearance, their ambitions, their abilities, and their tolerance of others beliefs and station in life.

The school promotes sociability and stimulates the intellectual and moral life of the students and community. A broad cooperation between different classes of society and the spirit of tolerance between different groups are the main objectives of our school. Young people must learn to be tolerant in their attitude towards others in their religious beliefs, their political allegiance, their racial problems, and the economic status of each.

May all of you receive something from this school to better prepare you to take your proper station in society.


DONALD MANVILLE-Treasurer


JOHN BLACKBURN-Clerk


RICHARD SCHULTZ-Director

Administration of the affairs of a high school involve many difficult problems in management and personnel. Bonds voted for major additions to the high school building this year indicate the community's interest in expansion of school facilities to meet the needs of a larger school enrollment.


SEXTET: This group requires advanced voices for more difficult singing. The girls appear at various community functions and have been singing together since the seventh grade. Back row: Janeth Shields, Karen Harman, Phyllis Bradshaw, judy Hewins, Melinda Madinger and Linda Burdge. Miss Karen Ann Ritter at the piano.


In Biology class, Mr. Moddelmog helps students learn about the life processes physiology of man of each phylum of animals and plants and the anatomy and


Ella M. Corder
B.S. Degree, Fort Hays K.S.C. Algebra I


Geometry
Business Arithmetic

Lyle Moddelmog
B. S. Degree, K.S.T.C.

Biology
Chemistry
Football
Track


Mrs. Corder says that geometry teaches us to think logically and scientifically and is essential for reaching accurate conclusions in any vocation that one may

Compliments of Murphy's and Sunflower Village


Miss Terrell tells her class that advanced algebra is becoming a necessity for forces and civil service.


Henrietta C. Terrell
B. Degrec.

William Penn College Oskaloosa. lowa Ilgebra II
Trigonometry
Essential of Mathematics General Science


Since typewriting efficiency depends on the development of proper operational techniques of the typewriter, Mr. Cotner observes these beginning typing students of these students will work in are properly carried out. After graduation, many of these students will work in offices where the typewriter will be the basic machine of their job responsibilities.

Charles E. Cotner
B.S. Degree East Central State Ada. Oklahona
Typing I
Bookkeepin:
Imerican Histony



Mary Ann Delzeit, Melanie Euler, Nelita Slaughter, Thresa Kiefer, and Mrs. Kneller study a bulletin board on "How to Sew" as it appears in the Home Economics room. Not only sewing, but also cooking and home-making are learned in these rooms.


## Dorothy Kneller

B.S. Degree, K.S.C., Pittsburg Home Economics English I, II



Ellen M. Warren
B. S. Degree, K.S.U.

Latin I
Spanish I, II
Library


Aprendemos el espanol-we are learning Spanish-says this class as they learn how to speak, read and write Spanish. World horizons widen for students, as they learn not only the language, but also the culture and customs of Spanish-speaking people.



To help every student obtain maximum benefit from present learning situations and to assist in preparing for the next step, whatever that may be, is the aim of the guidance program, directed by Miss Kiefer.


Mrs. Leah Thomas leads the girls physical education classes in a program of eam sports, tumbling and rhythmic activities which help to keep them physically fit. Here the Girls' Physical Education I and II classes make a pyramid.

Leah Jean Thomas
B.S. Degree, K.S.C., Pittsburg

English III, IV
Physical Education


CONCERT CHOIR: The best developed voices are utilized here to learn advanced fundamentals of music. The Concert Choir entertains frequently throughout the community. Back row: Janeth Shields, Glenda Wise, David Minsch, Linda Burdge, Lonnie Sollars, Judy Hewins, David Deeken, Karen Harman and Fred Allen. Seated: Jim Eisiminger, Bill Manville, Nancy Coursen and Larry Cook.

Karen Ann Ritter
B. M. E. Degree,

Mt. St. Scholastica College
Boys Chorus
Girls Chorus
Band



## Class Officers



Janice Propheter
Band 1, 2, 3
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Jr. Play (Student Dir.) 3
Senior Play 4
Class Vice-President 4 American Legion Gov. Day 3
Basketball Queen Attendant 1
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Yearbook Staff 4
Majorette 4
Girls' State Alternate 3
Pep Club Vice-President 4


## Class of 1964



Janice Hart
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4
One-Act Play 2
Class Secretary 4
Girls' State Alternate 3
Yearbook Staff 4
State Scholarship Contest:
Hon. Mention, Algebra I 1 Fifth, Speiling I Honorable Mention, Eng. I First, Shorthand 3 Second, English 3
Spelling Contest:
First 1
Second 2


Milton (Jim) Eisiminger
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Boys' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Dist. Music Festival 1, 3
State Music Contest 1,3
Senior Play 4
Student Council 1, 4
Class President 1
American Legion Gov. Day 3
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Yearbook Staff 4
W-Club President 4
"Litterbug" Essay Contest 2
Dance Band 4
Band Vice-President 4


Robert Castle
Transfer from Elwood 2
Boys' Chorus 2, 3
Mixed Chorus 2, 3
Football 2, 3
Track 2, 3
Basketball 2, 4
American Legion Gov. Day 3
Class Treasurer 2
William (Bill) Manville
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Dance Band 2, 3, 4
Boys' Chorus 1
Pianist for Chorus 4
Dist. Music Festival 1, 2, 3, 4 Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4
One-Act Play (Student Dir.) 3 State Music Contest 4
Student Council 1, 3
American Legion Gov. Day 3
Boys' State Delegate 3
Basketball 1
Co-Editor of Yearbook 4


## Ann Hewins

American Legion Gov. Day 3
Pep Club 1, 2, 4
Pep Club Secretary 4
Yearbook Staff 4
Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4



Fred Allen
Boy's \& Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 4 Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Concert Choir 1, 2, 4
Dist. Music Festival 1, 2, 3, 4 State Festival 1, 2, 3
Junior Play 3
One-Act Play 3
Senior Play 4
Yearbook Manager 4 Dance Band 2, 3, 4




Romona Silvy
Junior Play 3
Sr. Play (Student Director) 4
Student Council 2
Class President 2
American Legion Gov. Day 3
Girl's State Delegate 3
Football Queen Att. 3
Basketball Queen Att. 3
Christmas Queen Candidate 1
Cheerleader 4
Pep Club 4
Pep Club President 4
Co-Editor Yearbook 4


Joanne Gilpin
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Treasurer 1
Class Secretary 1, 2, 3
American Legion Gov. Day 2
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball Queen Att. 2
Football Queen Att. 2


Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Football Escort 3
Basketball Escort 3
Class Reporter 3
American Legion Gov. Day 3

## Linda Molloy

American Legion Gov. Day 3
Pep Club 1, 2, 4
Majorette 3, 4
Yearbook Staff 4
Poetry Award 3
Senior Play 4

Mike Studer
Junior Play 3

## Wallace Newton

Boys' Chorus 1
Concert Choir 1
Class Vice-President 2
American Legion Gov. Day 3
Football 1
Basketball 1
Track 1
Senior Play 4



Thirty-two green freshmen turned up for training in the fall of 1960. These trainees were Fred Allen, Danny Benitz, Harold Brenner, Larry Cook, Pam Christensen, Bill Deeken, Tom Didlo, Jim Eisiminger, Charlotte Fulcher, Joanne Gilpin, Melvin Goin, Janice Hart, Ann Hewins, Bill Manville, Robert Meeks, Ronald Miller, Ailene Minsch, Linda Molloy, Wally Newton, Anna Orcutt, Jan Propheter, Mildred Propheter, Jim Rolfe, Kenneth Schmille, Larry Shalz, Romona Silvy, Jim Slaughter, Vern Springstead, Mike Studer, Kathy Ulsh, Judy Wallace and Judy Webber. Jim Eisiminger was chosen to head the group and Larry Shalz to assist him. Joanne Gilpin kept track of our records, and Wally Newton reported our news to the world. Bill Manville represented us at headquarters. Patricia Patterson and Robert McKenzie advised the group. We officially entered training after our initiation.

During our first blast-off many of us gained honors. Ailene Minsch was football queen attendant; Jan Propheter was basketball queen attendant; and Danny Benitz and Romona Silvy were the Christmas king and queen candidates. Ailene Minsch served as cheerleader. Janice Hart won honors in the State Scholarship Contest in spelling, algebra and English. Jim Eisiminger and Danny Benitz earned football letters and Ronald Miller and Bill Deeken earned basketball letters. Fred Allen received a two rating at the District Music Festival.

For entertainment we had a sock hop and saw "Gone with the Wind."

Our promising group made its second take-off with a crew of thirty-five. New crew members were Larry Boeh, Bob Castle and Carol Mason Sterne. Vern Springstead cancelled his reservation at the first stop. Leader for this lap of our journey was Romona Silvy and assistant leader was Wally Newton. Joanne Gilpin kept the records and Bob Castle controlled our treasure of fuel. Larry Cook represented us at headquarters. Garrie Crider and Lyle Moddelmog were our advisors.

To make money we worked in the concession stands; and to amuse ourselves we saw "Errand Boy" and "State Fair."

Many of our group won honors that year. Melvin Goin won honorable mention at the State Scholarship Contest in geometry. Ailene Minsch cheered for the school. Janice Hart had a part in the one-act play. Joanne Gilpin and Ailene Minsch were football queen attendants, and Joanne was also basketball queen attendant. Boys earning football letters were Danny Benitz, Jim Eisiminger, Melvin Goin, Ronnie Miller and Kenneth Schmille. Those earning basketball letters were Bill Deeken, Melvin Goin and Ronnie Miller. Danny Benitz, Bob Castle and Melvin Goin earned track letters. Fred Allen received a one rating at the district music festival and a two at the state and Bill Manville received a two rating at the district.

Our rocket blasted off for the third time with a flight crew of thirty-five. Carol Mason Sterne decided not to make the trip with us. Larry Cook was commander of our forces and Kathy Ulsh was second in command. Joanne Gilpin again kept our records while Danny Benitz guarded our funds. Ronnie Miller served as reporter and Bill Deeken represented us at headquarters.

For entertainment the rocketeers went to St. Joseph to see "What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?"

To make money we gave our first play "Keep Moving." The cast consisted of Judv Webber, Bill Deeken, Fred

Allen, Janice Hart, Bill Manville, Romona Silvy, Mike Studer, Kathy Ulsh, Ann Hewins, Pam Christensen and Larry Shalz.

Josephine Kiefer and Dorothy Kneller were our sponsors.

We gave a banquet honoring the seniors at Maples Tea Room. "Apple Blossom Time" was the theme of our banquet. In return we were guests of the seniors at a picnic at the city park.

Representatives to Girls' State were Romona Silvy and Pam Christensen, and those to Boys' State were Larry Cook and Bill Manville. Other honors that year were won by various members. Pam Christensen and Fred Allen were part of the cast of "A Page of Destiny" which won first place at the County Play Festival. Ronnie Miller and Kathy Ulsh were candidates for Christmas king and queen, and Romona Silvy was an attendant at the football homecoming and at the Cupid Festival. Janice Hart won first place in the State Scholarship Contest in shorthand and second in English. Danny Benitz, Bob Castle, Jim Eisiminger and Kenneth Schmille earned football letters. Ronnie Miller earned a basketball letter. Track letters were earned by Melvin Goin and Ronnie Miller. At the District Music Festival Bill Manville received a two rating, Fred Allen a one rating. Fred also earned a one rating at the State Music Festival.

Our group of thirty seasoned travelers blasted off on its fourth and final trip on August 26, 1963. Bill Deeken was chosen as head astronaut and Jan Propheter as alternate astronaut. Melvin Goin was chosen to guard our fuel supply and Janice Hart to record our knowledge. Jim Eisiminger was our representative to headquarters. Those not with us for this trip were Larry Boeh, Jim Slaughter, Harold Brenner, and Ailene Minsch Gibson although Ailene later rejoined us and Judy Wallace left after about six weeks. Kay Davis transferred to our group. Karen Ritter and Lyle Moddelmog were our sponsors.

The cast for our second play "The Eager Miss Beaver" was composed of Pam Christensen, Bill Manville, Jim Eisiminger, Jan Propheter, Fred Allen, Ann Hewins, Judy Webber, Bill Deeken, Melvin Goin, Wally Newton and Janice Hart.

Honors won by members of this group were many during their last flight. Jim Eisiminger served as football captain and Melvin Goin as basketball captain. Boys lettering in football were Danny Benitz, Jim Eisiminger, Melvin Goin, Ronnie Miller and Kenneth Schmille. Melvin Goin and Ronnie Miller lettered in basketball. Romona Silvy was football queen and Jan Propheter was basketball queen. Pam Christensen was football and basketball queen attendant. Kenneth Schmille and Ann Hewins were crowned king and queen at the Christmas dance. Melvin Goin and Bill Manville participated in the one-act play. Romona Silvy was one of the cheerleaders for our final trip. She also served as president of the pep club. Jim Eisiminger was president of the Student Council and of the Letterman's Club.

Highlights of this year were the annual Christmas dance given by us on December 14, our food sale, and the banquet at which we were guests of the juniors.

Our rocket slowly approached its last stop as we held Baccalaureate Services on May 10, and Class Night on May 12. Then it stopped for the final time on May 14, when we held Commencement exercises. Now that we have finished four sponsored trips, each of us will be going into solo, separate orbits.


Careful,


Best Dressed!

"Our Handy Man"


"Have you heard the latest?"


Do you think I'll make it!

"Talent, Man, Talent"




Dennis Goin Class Treasurer


John Chambers Vice-President


David Deeken Class President


Joyce Gilpin William (Nick) Embery


Ruth Kirschbaum Nancy Hewins Student Council Class Secretary


Daniel Dinning James Elder


Keith Hacke



Ronald Benitz
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Keith Bauman


Bonita (Cheryl) Butcher


## Class of 1965



Marilyn Hartman


Janet Herr


Dennis Juhl


Geralyn Johnson


Richard (Dick) Hewins

Jan Laipple



Patty Laipple


Georgia K. Libel


Karol Madinger


David Minsch


David Mattox


Russell Moore


Jane Shalz


Harold Moss


Barbara Newton Compliments of the Gard Business University and Schuman's Cafe Justina Ritter


Ronald Schultz

Charles Studer


Judy Petitt


Leroy Wilson


Elizabeth Sauer
Joseph (Daniel) Studer


Glenda Wise


Frederick Walter


Linda Frankovich


Pamela Warren Sandra Ramseier

## Dennis Shalz



Jolene Beckman


Donald Schultz Patrick Wakeman


Ronnie Hatfield


Sandra Weber


John Fulcher


Howard Crittendon

Compliments of Lyons Oil Company, Inc., and Fleek's Fruit Mkt.



Linda Burdge Class Vice President


Janeth Shields Class Secretary


Glenda Abbett


Linda Bear


Homer Ritter Class President


Karen Harman Class Treasurer


Phyllis Bradshaw


Sherye Bittiker

## Class of 1966



Sharon Crittendon


Sharon Gingery


James Drake


Charles Fulcher



Dennis Lester


Ruth McVey



Betty Minsch


George Hartman


Melinda Madinger

Roberta Miller


Carolyn Newton


Allen Hewins



Bill Kiehnhoff


Susan Rolfe


Freddie Rohrer


Steven Morey


Philip Studer


Michael Wakeman


Betty Walter


John Shalz


Kathleen Silvy


Robert Studer



Melanie Euler Vice-President


Bernard Walter Victoria (Vicky) Student Council


Duane Thomas
Class President


Julie Grable
Secretary


Stephen Boeh Class Reporter

Class of 1967


Dawson Minsch


Nelita Slaughter


Ronald Bahr


Steven Gingery


Geneva Wilson


Blaine Thomas


Mary Ann Delzeit


Leroy Hewins


Susan Weber


Phyllis McVey


John Bear


Nancy Coursen



Richard Schultz Linda Hartman


Rex Dishon


Lee Brandt


Janette Elder


Betty Lake


Thomas Miller


Warren Davis


Lynda Fulcher


Janice Ward


Raymond Bell


Bill Orcutt


Carolyn Kline


Ruth Wollnick


James Caton


Francis Walker
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FOOTBALL SQUAD: Back row: Patrick Wakeman; Steven Gingery; Leroy Hew. ins; Dawson Minsch; Jim Walter; Tom Miller; Richard Schultz; Raymond Beli; Raymond Orcutt; Bill Nold. Third row: Coach Cotner: Homer Ritter: Duane Thomas; Blaine Thomas; Donald Schultz; David Minsch; Ronald Schultz; Fred erick Walter: John Chambers; Dennis Lester; David Johnson; Coach Tucker; Coach Moddelmog. Second row: Charles Studer; Nick Embery; Steve Boeh; Miiton Hartman, Jr.; Bill Kiehnhoff; Dennis Juhl; Keith Bauman: George Eisiminger; Allen Hewins; Daniel Dinning; Lonnie Sollars. Front row: Phil Thomas; Richará Hewins; Jim Elder; Jim Eisiminger; Daniel Benitz; Ronald Miller; Kenneth Sch. mille; Jim Rolfe: Ronald Benitz and Dennis Goin.

Wathena 20 Valley Falls 18 Wathena 27
$\qquad$ Everest 6 Wathena 46 ..................................... Robinson c Wathena 25 ............................................... Troy 13 Wathena 20 ...................... St. Peter and Paul of Wathena 18 ......................................... Midway 7 Wathena 7 .................................... Hiawatha 13 Wathena 0 $\qquad$ Highland 14

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WATHENA PLACED SECOND
IN K-36 LEAGUE K-36 League Standings

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| Highland | 5 | 0 | 1 |
| Wathena | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Troy | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Elwood | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Midway | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| St. Peter | 1 | 4 | 4 |



Compliments of Beck's Cafe

Ronald Schultz collects six points with the aid of four blockers as Wathena scores against their homecoming opponent, Midway.



Jim Eisiminger captain,
Center Line Backer


Ronald Schultz fakes and goes for an easy gain.


Ronald Miller-End


Kenneth Schmille-Tackle

Donald Schultz is stopped by Everest linemen on a drive to their goal line.


Jim Rolfe-Tackle Compliments of Miller's Rexall Pharmacy and Ed's Standard Service Melvin Goin-End


HOMECOMING QUEEN: Romona Silvy



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The queen, her attendants, and the crowd are anxiously awaiting the outcome of the game with Midway.


Jim Eisiminger crowns the queeen, Romona Silvy, at the thrilling home coming game with Midway, October 25. Romona was escorted by Kenneth Schmille. Although the score was $7-0$ in favor of Midway at the half, the Wathena Wildeats surged ahead in the last half with three touchdowns, to win the game 18-7. Queen candidates and their escorts are Pamela Christensen, Melvin Goin; Nancy Hewins, Ronald Miller; Janeth Shields, Daniel Benitz; Melanie Euler, Jim Rolfe. Carrying the flowers and the crown are Gerri Hewins and Michael McKernan. Led by the majorettes in sharp new red and white uniforms, the Pep Club and the band form a star at the half of the Midway-Wathena game.



The Pep Club's white football against a blue background adds to the beauty of the queen and her attendants.


Romona, the queen, and Jim, the captain, lead the dance at homecoming.




Melanie Euler, Linda Burdge, Pam Christensen and Nancy Hewins were the attendants to the basketball queen. Seated is Jan Propheter, our basketball queen.


Janice Propheter, sitting in front of the rainbow, reigns as queen of the homecoming "Over the Rainbow" Basketball dance, held January 17, after the Elwood game. Melvin Goin is her escort and captain. Other candidates and their escorts are Pamela Christensen, with Donald Schultz; Nancy Hewins, with Ronald Schultz; Linda Burdge, with Ronald Miller; and Melanie Euler, with Jim Elder. Michael Shalz carries the crown and Sheri Schultz is the flower girl.




## THE WILDCAT KITTENS

The Pep Club is typical of the fine spirit which dominates the schooi. With their enthusiastic shouts and fierce loyalty during a game, they help to make the team go, fight and WIN!

Back row: Lila Schuman; Jane Shalz; Pamela Christensen; Ann Hewins, secretary; Pamela Warren; Karol Madinger; Judy Petit; Ruth Kirschbaum; Joyce Wilson; Threasa Kiefer; Nelita Slaughter; Phyllis McVey; Linda Hartman. Fourth row: Patty Laipple; Linda Bear; Vivian Kline; Joanne Gilpin; Sharon Gingery; Georgia Libel; Judy Hewins; Cheryl Butcher; Justina Ritter; Geralyn Johnson; Susan Weber; Mary Ann Delzeit; Julie Grable. Third row: Naomi Clinton; Ruth Wollnick; Geneva Wollnick; Janice Propheter, vice-president; Stella Caton; Wanda Caton; Janet Herr; Barbara Newton; Nancy Coursen; Sandra Weber; Elizabeth Sauer; Susan Rolfe; Marilyn Hartman; Charlotte Fulcher. Second row: Francis Walker; Janette Elder; Glenda Abbett; Kathleen Ulsh, treasurer; Kathleen Silvy; Betty Walter; Susan Hurtig; Carolyn Newton; Sherye Bitfiker; Linda Bruns; Melinda Madinger; Phyllis Bradshaw; Ruth McVey; Betty Minsch. Front row: Victoria Fehrman; Melanie Euler; Romona Silvy, president; Nancy Hewins, student council; Linda Burdge; Karen Harman; Joyce Gilpin and Janeth Shields.


CHEERLEADERS . . . The exuberant cheerleaders are an inspiration to the school. The enthusiasm of the Pep Club, the team, and the whole student body is greatly aroused by them.
BACK ROW, A-Team: Karen Harman, Joyce Gilpin, Janeth Shields. SECOND ROW, B-Team: Melanie Euler, Victoria Fehrman, Romona Silvy, Nancy Hewins. FRONT ROW, Linda Burdge, head cheerleader.
Compliments of Hoover Orchards and Wild Bill's Furniture \& Appliance


Duane Thomas Jim Eisiminger

## Boosters

Holiday Motel Ed Gilpin, Wathena City Marshall Harry Oyerly's Springstead Market

Joe Opticans St. Joseph Coca Cola Bottling Company Grable's Barber Shop


Jill Tucker Mascot

1st Place in K-36 League
"The Monkey's Paw" was the title of the exciting drama given by Wathena High School at the one-act play festival at Midway, February 13. Mrs. Dorothy Kneller coached the play.
"THE MONKEY'S PAW"
Mr. White $\qquad$ Dick Hewins Mrs. White $\qquad$ Nancy Hewins Herbert $\qquad$ Bill Manville Sergeant-Major Morris Fred Walter Mr. Sampson Melvin Goin

Dorothy Kneller


TRACK: Back Row: Coach, Gary Tucker; Jim Miller, Jim Elder, Philip Thomas, Melvin Goin, Mark Nold, David Deeken, Allen Hewins, Ronald Miller, Dennis Lester, Richard Hewins. Third Row: Dickie Schultz, Leroy Hewins, Stephen Boeh, Ronald Schultz, John Chambers, Jim Walter, Jim Drake, Dawson Minsch, Fred Walter, Assistant Coach, Lyle Moddelmog; Freshmen Coach, Charles Cotner. Second Row: David Minsch, Daniel Dinning, Bill Nold, George Eisiminger, Nick Embery, Tom Miller, Donald Schultz, Rex Dishon, Daniel Benitz, Dennis Goin. First Row: Raymond Bell, Bill Christopher, Blaine Thomas, Brycen Rice, Alan Boeh, Bill Kiehnhoff, Harry Shane, Duane Thomas, Homer Ritter and Steven Gingery.


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BOYS' CHORUS: Great concentration is used in this class to produce the best tone possible where a wide variety of selections are used to further develop the male voice. Mixed Chorus, which is composed of Girls' Chorus and Boys' Chorus, is the main feature in a Christmas program every year. Back row: Fred Allen, Richard Hewins, Lonnie Sollars, David Deeken, Jim Eisiminger. Second row: David Johnson, Lewis Myers, Harold Moss, David Minsch. Front row: Bill Manville, Dennis Sharp, Larry Cook and Warren Davis.


GIRLS' CHORUS: Miss Ritter's Girls' Chorus works hard to keep their voices in fine singing condition. They learn to sight-sing and they study a large range of different types of music; they sing from Bach to Gershwin. Back row: Glenda Abbett, Frances Davis, Judy Hewins, Ruth Kirschbaum, Geralyn Johnson, Melinda Madinger, Melanie Euler, Phyllis Bradshaw, Janice Hart, Betty Minsch. Third row: Janice Ward, Rose Mary Hart, Thresa Kiefer, Kathleen Ulsh, Janice Propheter, Pamela Christensen, Marilyn Hartman, Karen Harman, Judy Petit. Second row: Janeth Shields, Lila Schuman, Sharon Crittendon, Cheryl Butcher, Linda Burdge, Sherye Bittiker, Karol Madinger, Victoria Fehrman. Front row: Julie Grable, Mildred Propheter, Nancy Coursen, Joyce Gilpin, Ruth McVey, Nancy Hewins and Glenda Wise.


The mixed chorus presents a Christmas Choral December 19. Accompanying the mixed chorus is Bill Manville on the piano and Mrs.


Lynn Kneller, Harry Shane and Dennis Lester are the kings in the Christmas Choral.

Romona Silvy and Allen Hewins portray Mary and Joseph in the Christmas Choral.


Fred Walters, Pat Wakeman and Bill Kiehnhoff act as shepherds in the Christmas Choral.


It's fun to decorate a Christmas tree


Ann Hewins and Kenneth Schmille were crowned Queen and King at the Senior Christmas Dance.

Melanie Euler is watching the Nativity Scene


Fred Allen helps St. Nicholas at the Christmas Assembly.

## Band

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The Wathena High School Band, which provides entertainment at our major sport events throughout the year, participates in the Apple Blossom Parade each spring and promotes school spirit. Red jackets with white trousers and red and white overlays give the band a smart appearance. The band greatly appreciates these new uniforms.


MAJORETTES: Five majorettes and a drum major energetically compliment the marching band. Janice Propheter, Pamela Christensen, drum major, Linda Mollay, Kathy Ulsh, Glenda Wise and Karol Madinger.

"Up with your mitts, everybody!"

Presented by the Senior Class on October 18, 1963.

THE EAGER MISS BEAVER Gazella Upshaw Doreen Upshaw Harland Upshaw Tillie Toothacre Canasta Brown Hank Peters Bernice Beaver Beaseley Scudder Verbena Van Wyck Dickey Van Wyck Prentis Prouty The Faceless Fiend Student Director Romona Silvy Prompters .... Joanne Gilpin, Kathy Ulsh Stage Mgrs. .... Larry Shalz, Bob Castle Make-Up ..................... Larry Cook Tickets ........ Judy Wallace, Anna Orcutt Programs ...... Bill Deeken, Judy Webber
Director and Romona Silvy
Karen Ann Ritter


This is called the "new look."


Verbena tries to overbid the fossilized old buzzard Scudder.

"Listen everyone! Dear Niece . . ."

'I'd rather be a live cowardly calf


CLASS OF 1963-64


CLASS OF 1962-63

Apple blossom time was the theme of the junior-senior prom May 4, 1963, which was held at the Maples in St. Joseph. Guests entered through an archway of apple blossoms, and a wishing well beside a real apple tree helped to give a gay rustic atmosphere.


Both parents were welcomed at Dad's Night.


"Is there anything we can do to stod him?.

## JUNIOR PLAY

November 22, 1963
Mr. Maxwell Mrs. Maxwell $\qquad$ Walter Karol Madinger Nancy Hewins Bernadine Smith Wilbur Maxwell $\qquad$ Glenda Wise Hercules Nelson $\qquad$ Pat Wakeman Connie Maxwell Lynn Kneller
$\qquad$ Pam Warren Craig Moore $\qquad$ David Deeken Mr. Moore Philip Thomas Del Marshall $\qquad$ Dennis Goin Aunt Mary $\qquad$ Ruthie Kirschbaum Miss Blayne Stage Managers. ..Nick Embery Gerri Johnson David Minsch, John Chambers
Make up $\qquad$ Judy Pettit, Linda Frankovich Tickets $\qquad$ Mrs. Kneller, Mrs. Corder Programs $\qquad$ Patty Laipple, Sandra Weber Advertising Manager Junior Class Sponsors $\qquad$ John Chambers Charles Cotner, Dorothy Kneller Student Directors Georgia Libel, Elizabeth Sauer
Assistant Director $\qquad$ Karen Ann Ritter Director

"Betty Lou has been having an affair with a married man, and it's all your fault, John Maxwell."

"WILBUR! Get up this instant! You're talking out of your head!"
"And to think, a married man!"


"Are they having what, Dad? Of course not!"



Library assistants help in the many duties involved in library service and with Mrs. Warren, promote more and better reading among the students of Wathena High. Lee Brandt, Mrs. Warren, Bill Kiehnhoff, George Eisiminger, Bill Nold, and Lynda Fulcher are seen here. Not pictured is Jolene Beckman.

"Quick, what's the answer?"


Girls, really!

"I don't think. Mr. Tucker would appreciate that joke! ${ }^{\prime \prime}$


Second Hour "Study" Hall?



Mrs. Mary Engeman Head Cook


Harry Shane and Edna Shane late enrollees


Bus drivers, Lawrence Gabriel, Lawrence Pankau and Norman Sigrist are standing in front of the buses loaded for the trip home.


Leroy Hewins, with Mr. McCloud directing, will be driving the Driver's Education car, while Nelita Slaughter, Ruth McVey and Brycen Rice observe.


Mrs. Margie Jacobs and Mrs. Marie Houlton prepare the nutritious meals served at noon, with the assistance of this group of students.


The Student Council works for the general welfare and betterment of the school. By establishing a Hall of Fame plaque, the Council each year honors members of the graduating class who have been outstanding in athletics, in scholarship, and in special activities. A new project this year was a clothing collection for underprivileged children in the Southern Applachian Mountains. Pictured are the members: Back row: Jim Eisiminger, president; Miss Kiefer; Nancy Hewins, secretary; Bill Deeken; Homer Ritter, community council representative; George Eisiminger, community council representative; Ruth Kirschbaum; David Deeken vice president; Jim Walter. Front row: Daniel Benitz, treasurer; Larry Cook and Duane Thomas.


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This yearbook tells the story of the people of our school. On these pages we have iried to preserve the many memories of this year. We are grateful for the opportunities that have been given us.
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