These are the things that we will remember this year and as long as we live.
WATHEMA HIGH SCHOOL
WATHEMA, KANSAS

UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT
NO. 406

This we will remember:

Wathena High School—a familiar sight for the past thirty-five years. But at this important stage in the life of our school, progress has stepped in and we are witnessing a change.

Realizing that today's graduates must be better prepared to live in this complex age, area voters passed an important plan which expanded the district and its facilities.

While we have been loyal to our school, proud of its traditions and ideals, we know that change is needed and must take place. We look forward to the completion of the new building... to the new face it will present in our community.
Mr. Hart, our Superintendent, finds his days and schedule filled with many and varied duties. Each new day brings many new problems for which he must find the answers and many decisions he must make regarding school policy and activities. He is genuinely interested in the welfare of the students and strives to make their school years happy and productive.

Mr. Hart, Superintendent; Board members: Dwayne Foley, Vernon Laipple; Marjorie Higdon, clerk; Melvin Goin, president; Henry Kiehnhoff, Jr.; Fred Juhl, Eugene Eisiminger, vice-president.

Board members are elected for a term of four years with three members coming up for re-election every two years.

We feel that with these fine officials at the helm, our school, U.S.D. No. 406, will operate smoothly and efficiently.
MR. MODDELMOG’S CHEMISTRY CLASS—
Science develops the inquiring mind. Instruction places special emphasis upon the student’s mastery of extended knowledge of the world about us and gives answers to how-and-why questions.

JERRY MCCLOUD
B. S. Degree
Ks. State Teachers College
Shop I-II
Drafting
Driver Education

MR. McCLOUD’S DRIVER EDUCATION CLASS—
Students realize that in addition to the experience gained in being behind the wheel and actually driving, classwork is necessary to learn rules of the highway, and the mechanics under the hood of the car.

Compliments of FARMER’S STATE BANK
Mrs. Sisk's Algebra I Class—
Math is fascinating as it makes us more appreciative of the everyday world about us. Working to learn the fundamental principles in Algebra I, the class has found this a course in finding x and y.

William Wieland
B. S. Degree
Ks. State University
Algebra I-II
Trigonometry
Geometry
Psychology
Economics

Mr. Wieland's Trigonometry Class—
Questions on this test are puzzling even to the best students. Trigonometry, a mixture of geometry and algebra, is an advanced course offered to math students.
MRS. K N E L L E R ' S H O M E E C O N O M I C S C L A S S —

Mrs. Kneller and members of her Home Economics II class are pictured here. The planning, preparation, and serving of a formal dinner is an essential project of the class.

LYLE WALTER

B. A. Degree
Ks. Wesleyan University
Physical Education I/II
World History
Constitution
Athletics

DOROTHY K N E L L E R

B. S. Degree
Kansas State College
Home Ec. I-II
English II
Gen. Science
Family Living

MR. WALTER'S HISTORY CLASS —

This subject provides a background for the understanding of foreign policies and government systems in other countries. Students try to comprehend opposing points of view in both foreign and domestic affairs.

Compliments of ACREE DRY GOODS AND WATHENA GRAIN COMPANY
MRS. THOMAS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS—
Physical fitness and development of grace and poise through dancing are class objectives. The Gym Revue in the spring consists of skills, routines and rhythms learned in class.

MARGUERITE DOUGHERTY
B. A. Degree
University of Kansas
Latin I-II
Spanish I-II
American History

MRS. DOUGHERTY'S LATIN I CLASS—
Various languages develop universal understanding through knowledge. These students learn about the once powerful Roman Empire and its contribution to our civilization.

Compliments of MANVILLE'S GARAGE AND SCHUMAN'S CAFE
MRS. WEHRMAN'S TYPING II CLASS—
Ready .... Type: The clatter of machines, the ringing of bells, the quick furious strokes of the fingers. Commerce students work diligently to gain speed and accuracy.

JOSEPHINE KIEFER
B. S. Degree
Mt. St. Scholastica College
M. S. Degree
Ks. State Teachers College
Shorthand I
English I
Guidance

MISS KIEFER'S SHORTHAND I CLASS—
Brief forms, recall charts, check lists—so the lesson begins. This training is an aid to many who find jobs in the business world. In other fields also, this skill could be practical and helpful.

Compliments of THE WATHENA TIMES
MISS RITTER'S MIXED ENSEMBLE—

Among the sounds one may hear in school are those of the music department practices. Members use their talents to perform for school functions and outside organizations.

STUDENT COUNCIL — The Student Council promotes a better understanding among the students and faculty members and works for the general welfare and betterment of the school. Mrs. Thomas is the sponsor.

Compliments of
HANSEN-MEAD MOTOR CO.
Marjorie Higdon, school district clerk and secretary, efficiently carries out the many duties included in her busy office schedule.

Kay Schultz, school secretary during September, sells lunch cards to two waiting students.

Seniors are faced with pressing questions: What to do? What to be? These girls are learning about the importance of the American Testing Program in planning for advanced education. The Student Information Booklet explains how to register and on what dates to take the A.C.T.

Compliments of
BILLY'S RESTAURANT
Seniors
PRESIDENT
Homer Ritter
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
W-Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Student Council 2, 4
Class President 2, 4
Student Council Pres. 4
Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4
Government Day 3
Boys' State Delegate 3
Community Council Rep. 2
Tri-Captain Football 4
Football Escort 4
Yearbook (Bus. Mgr.) 4

VICE-PRESIDENT
Geneva Wollnick
Home Ec. Award 2
Pep Club 1, 2
Class Secretary 3, 4
Yearbook Staff 4

SECRETARY
Betty Walter
Band 1
Government Day 3
Girls' State Alternate 3
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Pep Club President 4
Class Treasurer 4
Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4
Football Homecoming Queen 4
Girls' P.E. Award 2
Yearbook Staff 4
(Co-Editor)

TREASURER
Dennis Lester
Football 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
W-Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4
Boys' State Delegate 3
Government Day 3
Student Council 2, 3, 4
V-Pres. Student Council 4
Dance Band 2, 3
Football Escort 4
F.C.A. Rep. 4
Community Council Rep. 4
K-36 One Act Play
(Stage Crew) 3
Yearbook Staff 4

STUDENT COUNCIL
Compliments of BECK'S CAFE

Larry Hart
Transferred from Riley, Kansas 4
Boys' Chorus 4
Mixed Chorus 4
Mixed Ensemble 4
W-Club 4
Football 4
Basketball 4
Track Trainer 4
Senior Play 4
Class Vice-President 4
Yearbook Staff 4

GUIDING
GOVERNING
GRADUATING

Today is the tomorrow we dreamed of yesterday. This is our year, the year we have written on our textbooks, our notebooks, and papers. This is the year of our graduation.
Linda Bear
Pep Club 1, 2
Senior Play 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Gerald Caton
Transferred: Lafayette
High School, St. Jo, Mo.
Basketball 2, 4
Track 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Sherye Bittiker
Band 1, 2
Pep Club 1, 2
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Majorette 3, 4
Drum Majorette 4

James Drake
Football 4
Track 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 4
Track Manager 3
State Scholarship Contest:
Hon. Men., English 2
Government Day 3
Class President 3
Senior Play 4
W-Club 4
Sec., Treas., W-Club 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Sharon Crittendon
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Pep Club 1, 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Compliments of FLAVEL'S DRIVE-IN & CAFE
George Eisiminger
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Student Librarian 2
Community Council Rep. 2
Class Pres. 1
W-Club (Pres.) 4
F.C.A. Rep. 4
Junior Play (Stage Crew) 3
Senior Play 4
K-36 One Act Play
(Stage Crew)
Mixed Ensemble 3, 4
Boys' Chorus 3
Mixed Chorus 3, 4
State Music Festival 3, 4
District Music Festival 3
Football Tri-Captain 4
Football Homecoming Escort 4
Government Day 3
Christmas Candidate 3
Boys' State Alternate 3
Yearbook Staff 4

Norman Evans
Transferred from Lawrence, Kansas
Track 3, 4
Basketball 3, 4
Boys Chorus 4
Mixed Chorus 4
Senior Play 4

James Fulcher
Track 3
Senior Play 4
(Stage Crew)
Football 4
Boys' State Delegate 3

Michael Gabriel
Band 4
Track 4
Junior Play 3
(Stage Crew)
Senior Play 4
(Stage Crew)
K-36 One Act Play
(Stage Crew)
Boys' Chorus 4

Sharon Gingery
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1
Yearbook Staff 4

Loren Hatfield
Transferred from Gunnison, Colo.
Rose Mary Hart
Girls' Chorus 1, 2
Mixed Chorus 1, 2
Yearbook Staff 4

Karen Harman
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Ensemble 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Trio 3, 4
Girls' Sextette 1, 2
Dance Band 2
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball Queen Att., 1
Football Queen Att., 4
Girls' State Delegate 3
Junior Play 3
(Student Director)
Senior Play 4
District Music
Festival 1, 2, 3, 4
State Music
Festival 1, 2, 3, 4
Government Day 3
Class V-Pres., 1
Yearbook Staff 4

John Hartman
Transferred from
Pt. Morgan, Colo., 4
Basketball 4
Track 4
Yearbook Staff 4

George Hartman
Track 3, 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Allen Hewins
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
W-Club 2, 3, 4
Student Council 3, 4
Community Council Rep. 3
Tri-Captain Football 4
Basketball Escort 3
State Scholarship Contest
Hon. Men. 2
Boys' State Delegate 3
Yearbook (Bus. Man.) 4

Milton Hartman
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1
Track 1, 2, 3
Government Day 3
Junior Play 3
Yearbook Staff 4
Judith Hewins
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Ensemble 1, 2, 3, 4
Sextette 1, 2
Trio 3, 4
Clarinet Trio 1, 2, 3
Dance Band 2
District Festival 1, 2, 3
State Music Festival 1, 2, 3
Junior Play (Prompter) 3
Senior Play 4
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Cheerleader 4
Pep Club Treasurer 4
Yearbook Staff 4

David Johnson
Transferred: Central High School, St. Joseph, Mo. 1
Boys' Chorus 2
Basketball 2, 3
Junior Play 3
(Sound Effects)
Yearbook 4

William Kiehnoff
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2
W-Club 4
State Scholarship Contest
Hon. Men. Algebra I 1
English I 1
Geometry 2
P.C.A. Rep. 4

Melinda Madinger
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3
Sextette 1, 2
State Music Festival 2
District Music Festival 1, 2
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 1, 2
Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4
Christmas Queen Cand., 1
Girls' State Alternate 3
Yearbook Staff 4

James Miller
Football 1, 2, 4
Basketball Trainer 1, 2, 3
Track 1, 2, 3
Christmas King Cand. 1
W-Club 4
Boys' State Alternate 3
Junior Play 3
(Stage Crew)
Senior Play 4
(Stage Crew)
Yearbook Staff 4

Ruth McVey
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Majorette 3, 4
Senior Play 4
Government Day 3
Yearbook Staff 4

Compliments of RILEY'S HY-KLAS FOOD STORE
Betty Minsch
Mixed Ensemble 4
Majorette 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Pep Club Secretary 4
Government Day 3
Yearbook Staff 4

Roberta Miller
Pep Club 4
Yearbook 4

Carolyn Newton
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3, 4
Majorette 4
Girls' P.E. Award 2, 3

William Nold
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 3, 4
Football Man. 2
Band 1
Boys' State Delegate 3
W-Club 2, 3, 4
Vice-Pres. W-Club 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Fred Rohrer
Track 3, 4
W-Club 3, 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Mark Nold
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1
Track 1, 2, 3, 4

Compliments of RAWHIDE TAVERN
Cold Drinks - Billiards
AND ANDERSON TYPEWRITER CO. INC.
Lonnie Sollars
Band 1, 2, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Boys' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Ensemble 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 2
Basketball 1, 3, 4
Track 1, 2
District Music Festival 2, 3
State Music Festival 3, 4
Government Day 3
Junior Play 3
W-Club 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Kathleen Silvy
Pep Club 2, 3, 4
Junior Play 3
Government Day 3
Yearbook Staff 4 (Co-Editor)

Regina Staudenmaier
Transferred: Troy, Kansas
Pep Club 4
Girls' Chorus 4
Mixed Chorus 4
Band 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Class Motto: Today we follow; Tomorrow we lead
Class Colors: Royal Blue and Gold
Class Flower: White Carnation
Sponsors: Marguerite Dougherty, Lyle Moddelmog and Jerry McCloud
May 15, 1966: Baccalaureate Service
May 17, 1966: Senior Class Night
May 19, 1966: Commencement

Charles (Robert) Studer
Track 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Rebecca White
Transferred from Cardwell High School, Cardwell, Mo.
Pep Club 3, 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Michael Wakeman
Boys' State Delegate 3
Senior Play 4
Band 1, 2
Boys' Chorus 1
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Government Day 3
W-Club 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Compliments of STEES HARDWARE
Phyllis (Bradshaw) Schmille
Mixed Chorus 1, 2
Pep Club 1, 2
Girls' Chorus 1, 2
Band 1, 2
District Music Festival 1, 2
State Music Festival 1, 2
Sextette 1, 2
Girls' P. E. Award 2
Yearbook Staff 4

Susan Rolfe
Band 1, 2, 3
Pep Club 1, 2, 3
Junior Play 3
State Music Festival 1, 2
Dance Band 1, 2
Let's Dance Contest 3
Yearbook Staff 4

David Schurr
Transferred from Elkhart Public School,
Hays, Kansas 4
Football 1, 4
Basketball 1, 4
Track 1
Junior Play 3
(Stage Crew)
Senior Play 4
Football Trainer 4
Basketball Trainer 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Janeth Shields
Band 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Ensemble 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4
Clarinet Trio 3
Girls' Sextette 1, 2
Girls' Trio 3, 4
State Music Festival 1, 2, 3, 4
District Music Festival 1, 2, 4
Class Treas., Secy., 1, 2
Dance Band
Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4
Head Cheerleader 4
Football Queen Attendant 1, 2, 4
Basketball Queen Attendant 3
Junior Play 3
Senior Play 4
Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Girls' State Delegate 3
Yearbook Staff 4

John Shalz
Football 1, 4
Basketball 1, 4
Track 1
Junior Play 3
(Stage Crew)
Senior Play 4
Football Trainer 4
Basketball Trainer 4
Yearbook Staff 4

Harry Shane
Transferred: Benton High School,
St. Joseph, Mo. 2
Boys' Chorus 3, 4
Band 4
W-Club 2, 3, 4
Football 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 3, 4
Mixed Ensemble 3, 4
Mixed Chorus 3, 4
District Music Festival 3
State Music Festival 3, 4
Football Trainer 3
Yearbook Staff 4

Compliments of MOSKAU'S THRIF-TEE FOOD STORE
Boys State Representatives talk over experiences. Jim Fulcher, Dennis Lester, Homer Ritter, Bill Nold, Mike Wakeman, Allen Hewins.

SENIOR

Senior girls getting the feel of graduation caps and gowns.

ACTIVITIES

Senior boys carry coffin to bury the Midway Eagles Oct. 22.

Dennis Lester and George Eisminger, team captains of a successful magazine drive. Betty Walter, business manager.

Fred Rohrer, holding travel clock, his award for top salesman.

Karen Harman and Jan Shields, Girls' State Representatives.

Senior Concession stand, fall festival.
Seniors Hall of Fame
Selected by the Class of '66

Girl and Boy with Personality Plus: Jan Shields and Homer Ritter.

Best Naturally Girl and Boy: Geneva Wollnick and George Eisminger.

Most Intelligent Girl and Boy: Betty Walter and Allen Hewins.

Most Likely to Succeed: Kathy Silvy and Jim Drake.

Class Beauty and Handsomest Boy: Ruth McVey and Dennis Lester.
All aboard for Senior Land! The Luxury Liner scheduled for four eventful stops had its starting point in August, 1962, with 41 members as its passengers. Now we were ready for the first stop at Freshman Land! The passengers were Glenda Abbott, Linda Bear, Sherry Bititiker, Phyllis Bradshaw, Linda Burdge, Naomi Clinton, Sharon Crittendon, James Drake, Norman Evans, Charles Fulcher, Lawrence Gabriel, Sharon Gingery, Rose Hart, George Hartman, Milton Hartman, Allen Hewins, Judith Hewins, William Kiehnhoft, Dennis Lester, Melinda Madinger, Ruth McVey, James Miller, Roberta Miller, Betty Minsch, Carolyn Newton, Mark Nold, William Nold, Homer Ritter, Freddie Rohrer, Susan Rolfe, Kathleen Silvey, John Shalz, Lonnie Sollars, Charles Studer, Philip Studer, Michael Wakenam, Betty Walter and Geneva Wollnick. At the first deck meeting we felt the need of ship officers and chose George Eisminger as Chief Mate, assisted by Karen Harman, Second Mate. To guard our funds and keep the ship's log was Jan Shields. Linda Burdge was chosen to keep us in contact with headquarters. Our guides in this adventure land were Mrs. Corder and Mr. Vilander.

Jan Shields was elected football queen attendant and Karen Harman, basketball queen attendant. Linda Burdge, Karen Harman, and Jan Shields were elected as cheerleaders for the crew. Our King and Queen candidates for the annual Christmas Dance held on deck by the seniors were James Miller and Melinda Madinger.

For entertainment we were allowed two parties; so for the first one we went to a movie, and in the second part of our voyage we had a picnic.

**SOPHOMORE LAND — 1963-1964**

After many months of clear sailing, and a few jolts and bumps, when encountering rough waters, we reached the second stop, that of Sophomore Land. During this interval we lost Naomi Clinton. However, we gained Gerald Caton, Steven Morey, David Johnson, and Harry Shane. When the deck meeting was held, Homer Ritter was elected as Chief Mate assisted by Linda Burdge as Second Mate; to guard our funds was Karen Harman; Jan Shields was chosen to keep the log again; and George Eisminger was chosen to keep us in contact with headquarters. Our guides were Mrs. Leah Thomas and Mr. Jerry McCloud.

Jan Shields was selected as football queen candidate and Linda Burdge was basketball queen candidate. Karen Harman, Jan Shields, and Linda Burdge were elected as Cheerleaders again with Linda Burdge as head cheerleader. Homer Ritter and Linda Burdge were elected candidates for King and Queen at the senior’s annual Christmas Dance. Melinda Madinger, Phyllis Bradshaw, Judy Hewins, Linda Burdge, Karen Harman and Jan Shields represented us in the State Music Festival.

For our first party we went bowling and to the Snow White Restaurant to eat. In the second part of our voyage we went to a show again. At the end of Sophomore Land the passengers had grown both in stature and intelligence.

**JUNIOR LAND — 1964-1965**

Much more smooth and happy sailing was our approach into Junior Land. We lost some of our passengers during this important stop — Philip Studer and Phyllis Bradshaw. But we gained two new crew members, Warren Lewis and Becky White. Now chief officers were: First Mate, James Drake; Second Mate, Homer Ritter; Geneva Wollnick, Keeper of the Ship’s Log; guard of the funds was Linda Burdge; and Allen Hewins kept us in contact with headquarters. Our guides on this educational journey were Mrs. Leah Thomas and Mr. Jerry McCloud.

During this year we had a glimpse into Drama Land by presenting our first play “Judy Pulls the Curtain.” Our play cast consisted of Lonnie Sollars, Linda Burdge, Betty Walter, Jan Shields, Dennis Lester, Junior Hartman, Warren Lewis, Glenda Abbott, Homer Ritter, Melinda Madinger, Kathy Silvey, and Susan Rolfe. Linda Burdge, Jan Shields, and Karen Harman were elected as cheerleaders again. Linda Burdge represented us in the K-36 League Play, “Heat Lightning.” Jan Shields was basketball queen candidate, and Marilyn Young and George Eisminger were chosen as Queen and King candidates for the annual Christmas Dance given by the seniors. Jim Fulcher, Homer Ritter, Bill Nold, Dennis Lester, Allen Hewins, and Mike Wakenam were selected to go to Boy’s State, and Jan Shields and Karen Harman went to Girl’s State. This time for our party we stayed on deck and had a gym party, The social highlight of our voyage so far was that important event, the Junior-Senior Banquet. The theme was “May Time” with the deck decorated as a summer garden with gold and green for a color scheme. Everyone had plenty to do and we all had the times of our lives. Some of the sophomore girls and boys served as waiters. The seniors returned the honor with a picnic on deck.

**SENIOR LAND — 1965-1966**

At last the ocean liner made its memorable long anticipated entrance into the Harbor of Senior Land. During this last interval we lost one of our crew, Linda Burdge. But we gained Larry Hart, Loren Hatfield, John Hartman, Phyllis Schmille, David Schurr and Regina Staudenmaier. Our guides for this last voyage were Mrs. Marguerite Dougherty, Mr. McCloud, and Mr. Lyle Moddelmog. We were helped over our difficult passages by the capable and experienced officers: First Mate, Homer Ritter; Second Mate, Larry Hart; Ship’s Log, Geneva Wollnick. In charge of our funds, Betty Walter, and Dennis Lester kept us in contact with headquarters. At the Homecoming this year Betty Walter was crowned “Queen” by Homer Ritter and the attendants from our crew were Jan Shields and Karen Harman. The escorts were Dennis Lester, Allen Hewins and George Eisminger. Homer Ritter, Allen Hewins and George Eisminger were tri-captains. Judy Hewins, Jan Shields and Karen Harman were elected as Cheerleaders with Jan Shields as head cheerleader.

In Drama Land we presented the play, “Finders Creepers,” starring Larry Hart, Mike Wakenam, Jan Shields, Ruth McVey, Betty Walter, Karen Harman, Dennis Lester, Melinda Madinger, Homer Ritter, John Shalz, Judy Hewins, George Eisminger, Linda Bear and James Drake.

Our treasures this year were found in a concession stand at the Fall Festival and by selling magazine subscriptions.

Highlights on the last part of our journey were Junior-Senior Banquet, Senior’s return picnic, Baccalaureate May 15, Class Night May 17, and the most important Night of all, our Commencement on May 19, 1966. Now we have reached that time from which none of us will carry on together, the voyage of life. Now we are leaving Wathena High regretfully, but with new hope and understanding in life.
Junior officers meet to make some important decisions.
Juniors admire class rings which arrived the first day of school.
ONE MORE YEAR

Dawson Minsch  William Orcutt  Sandra Ramseier  Brycen Rice
Carolin Riggs  Richard Schultz  Lila Schuman  Dennis Sharp  Nelita Slaughter
Philip Studer  Wayne Staudenmaier  Frances Walker  Janice Ward
Jim Walter  Susan Weber  Joyce Wilson  Fred Werner

Class Sponsors: Mrs. Sisk  Mr. Wieland

Compliments of MURPHY'S CAFE AND SUNFLOWER VILLAGE
Sophomore officers guide second year students in their projects.
Sophomore girls look through reference books to get extra information for reports.
TWO MORE YEARS

Lee Miller  Charles Morgan  David Newton  Charles Nimtz

Lynn Nold  Larry Rohrer  Janice Rottermann  Steven Schultz  Neil Shalz

Walter Skinner  Carl Silvey  Patricia Studer  Pamela Thompson  Lambert Vertin

Connie Ward  Janet Weber  Wayne Wiedmer  Byron Young

Class Sponsors: Miss Kiefer  Mrs. Wehrman

Compliments of FARMERS GRAIN & LUMBER CO. AND BRAY STUDIO
These officers have the responsibility of guiding freshmen activities.

Compliments of PONY EXPRESS RESTAURANT AND RED ROCK MOTEL.
Mr. Hart helped freshmen plan courses for their first year.

CLASS
OF 1969

Compliments of GRABLE'S BARBER SHOP AND DARV'S SINCLAIR STATION
THREE
MORE
YEARS

Kathleen Paden Debra Petitt David Polley Barbara Riggs
Ellen Schultz Ronald Rotterman Steven Shellenberger Richard Schuman Andrew Shane
Karen Silvey Bruce Sheridan Jo Lynn Staudenmaier Cathy Studer John Silvy
Dianna Weber Mabel Wheeler Mike Thompson Alveda White Roger White

Sponsors: Mr. Walter
Miss Ritter

Compliments of WESTERN DAIRY AND ICE CREAM CO. AND WATHENA FEED MILL
The Wathena football team completed the 1965 season with a 7-2 record, winning second place in the K-36 League.

Each player on the team should be commended for his fine effort on behalf of Wathena High. The varsity spends long hours in practice sessions and generates school spirit, enthusiasm, and interest in all competition.

The athletic program is one of the most popular programs of the school.

**SCOREBOARD**

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Asst. Coach Walter

Melvin M. Goin  Richard Schultz

Compliments of Pfister milo and seed corn and Tomco Genetic Giant corn and sorghum
J. MILLER
Tackle

D. SCHURR
Guard

H. SHANE
Halfback

M. KIEHNHOFF
Tackle

J. DRAKE
End

G. EISIMINGER
Halfback

B. HARTMAN
Guard

L. HART
Center

M. HARTMAN
Guard

M. WAKEMAN
Quarterback

D. LESTER
End

A. HEWINS
End

H. RITTER
Tackle

B. KIEHNHOFF
Tackle

J. FULCHER
Tackle

Compliments of KLINE'S LAUNDROMAT AND MILLER'S REXALL PHARMACY
Action on the field!

FRESHMAN TEAM


Front Row: Richard Bauman, Richard Hartman, David Newton, Gerald Goin, Carl Silvey, Mike Bell, Lee Miller, John Butcher, Greg Vertin.

Compliments of CLAYTON'S APPLIANCES AND S & M ATHLETIC GOODS CO.

WATHENA OPPONENTS

70 Elwood ............ 31
42 Effingham .......... 70
89 Troy ............... 41
49 Highland ........... 64
53 Valley Falls ....... 47
62 Midway ............. 54
57 Highland ........... 60
101 Elwood ............ 51
51 Sts. Peter & Paul ... 53

WATHENA OPPONENTS

57 Hiawatha ........ 71
79 Horton .............. 29
62 Robinson ........... 50
82 Midway ............. 70
60 Sts. P & P ........... 62
103 Troy ............... 58
56 Valley Falls ....... 54
71 Robinson ........... 42
49 Everest .............. 77


Trainers and Statisticians: Jim Drake, Allan Boeh and Mike Wakeman.

It takes good form and teamwork to make the basket.

Compliments of HICKMAN BUILDING COMPANY AND JANICE'S BEAUTY SHOP
LETTERMEN'S CLUB


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Compliments of GARD BUSINESS UNIVERSITY
The Pep Club strives to encourage good sportsmanship and is "ready" to stick by the team to the end. Betty Walter is president and Karen Ann Ritter is faculty sponsor.

Decorating goal posts... an important duty of the pep club!

Giving instructions

Lining up for routines at halftime

Compliments of HILLYARD CHEMICAL COMPANY
CHEERLEADERS


Enthusiastic cheerleaders are very important in promoting school spirit. They work hard to perfect the jumps and motions used in cheers.

"B" TEAM—
Back row: Mary Pat Gabriel, Debbie Herring, Carol Goin. Front row: Judy Hewins, Head Cheerleader.

VICTORY!, VICTORY!
That's our cry!
VICTORY
Are we it?
Well, I guess
Wathena High School!
Yes, Yes, Yes!
QUEEN BETTY

Homecoming—October 22, 1965

Compliments of ED'S STANDARD STATION
Edward Juhl-Bernard Koehler
Homecoming festivities were observed Friday night, October 22, at the Midway-Wathena football game. At the halftime the Pep Club and the Marching Band performed routines. Three convertibles in which the queen candidates rode circled the field. Then following moments of suspense, Captain Ritter placed the royal crown on Betty Walter, Queen elect. Lisa Walter and Jeff Relyea were flower girl and crown bearer.

After crowning the Queen, Captain Ritter presented her a bouquet of red roses.

Karen Harman, escort George Eisiminger; Jan Shields, escort Allen Hewins; Betty Walter, escort Dennis Lester.

Compliments of EVAN A. PETERSON, M.D. AND CAROLYN M. KLINE, M.D.
Miss Betty Walter, Queen of the 1965 Homecoming, and her attendants, Jan Shields and Karen Harman, were feted at a Victory dance after the game, in the beautifully decorated auditorium. The theme was "tis Autumn". Music was furnished by Geha's Dance Band. For our school this was a night to remember!
QUEEN OF BASKETBALL

Jan Shields was crowned Queen of Basketball Saturday night, February 5, 1966, by Captain Allen Hewins. Her attendants were Karen Harman and Judy Hewins; the escorts were Homer Ritter, George Eisiminger and Mark Nold. Brenda and Linda Bottiger were flower girls, and Jerry and Larry McVey were crown bearers. After the game in which Wathena defeated Valley Falls 56 to 54, the Pep Club entertained with a dance—the theme, Cupid's Enchantment.
We hurry down the stairs to the next class.

ANOTHER SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS!
Fall 1965

Freshmen coming down the west fire escape in the first fire drill of the term, September 3.

The Fall Festival highlighted the first week of school.

Another Driver Education class learns proper techniques.

Again students bend over books studying assignments.

At the Mobile x-ray unit from the Kansas Department of Health, students were checked September 7.

Jan Shields, Senior, welcomed the freshmen at the opening assembly, August 30, 1965.
Back row: Neil Shalz, Dennis Lester, Donnie Manville, Ronnie Gabriel, Kenneth Christopher, Regina Staudenmaier, Andy Shane, Lynn Nold and Carl Silvy.
Front row: Judy Hewins, Jan Shields, Debbie Herring, Ruth Crane, Linda Culp, Melanie Euler, Blaine Thomas, Carol Goin, Ellen Schultz, Thresa Kiefer and Karen Herman.

MAJORETTES

MAJORETTES: These lively steppers lead the band. Back row: Ruth McVey; Sherye Bittiker, Drum Majorette; Betty Minsch. Front row: Lila Schuman, Carolyn Newton and Pat Studer.
First row: Anita Chase, Julie Grable, Ramona Gabriel, Debbie Herring, Kassie Hewins, Joyce Wilson, Kathleen Paden, Kathleen Moskau, Joyce Walter, Gayla Crittendon, Carolyn Newton.

Compliments of HARMAN MORTUARIES
SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Freshmen girls sew their new skirts

Concessions—and two new machines for the new season.

Learning the use of woodworking machines in shop classes

Band on parade!

Pat Studer diagrams a sentence for an English assignment

This is how it is done. Ruth Crane explains Theorem 5 to Marilyn Boeh in geometry.

Oh, look what I have found: Sandy Ramseier views a slide under the microscope while Dawson Minsch examines a human skull.

Compliments of COOK’S CAMERA SHOP
SPECIAL EVENTS

ON OUR CALENDAR

Lyceum: Joseph Ellis, adventurer, brought a fascinating exhibit from Java, October 4.

Ted Marrens photographed class pictures, September 30; individual seniors, October 4 and 5.

Sophomore Twerp Dance, November 19.

Safety Program given by the Kansas Highway Department Trooper, Oct. 18.

Drive for the new electric football scoreboard funds began October 22.

Mr. Mead handed Mr. Hart the keys to the new driver education car, October 5.

Americanism Program given by The American Legion, October 28.

Compliments of JOSTEN'S INC., OWATONNA, MINN.
Mortician Nelson and Mrs. Nelson are involved in the murder plot by Doctor Brown. Lawyer Schuster, and friend Madeline.

Admired by their girl friends, Celeste and Nina, Hercules and Wilbur solve the crime with the aid of Frankie.

Daphne, wouldn't my shovel look kinda nice standing next to your broom?

Compliments of ROBERT K. BOEH ORCHARDS AND SHIELDS ORCHARDS
Behind the scenes are personnel important in making the play a success.

Stage managers—responsible for lights, sound, and properties: Brycen Rice and Blaine Thomas.

JUNIOR PLAY

"BROTHER GOOSE"
November 13, 1965

CAST
Jeff ______ Duane Thomas
Carol ______ Nancy Coursen
Wes _______ Jim Walter
Hyacinth ... Susan Weber
Helen ______ Janice Ward
Peggy ______ Thresa Kiefer
Eve _______ Julie Grable
Sarah ______ Janette Elder
Lenore ... Melanie Euler
Mrs. Trimmer ______
Jo Lieffring
Truck Driver _______ Brycen Rice

Director — Mrs. Dorothy Kneller,

Business managers: Alan Boeh and Geneva Wollnick
Student Director: Joyce Wilson.

Prompters and make-up: Vivian Kline, Joyce Wilson,
Mary Ann Delzeit. Programs: Nelita Slaughter and Lila Schuman.
K-36 League
One Act Play

"SPECIAL GUEST"
February 3, 1966

Presented at the
Midway Rural High School

Jan Shields ............ Nora Andrews
George Eisiminger .... John Andrews
Larry Hart ............ Edward Andrews
Duane Thomas ......... Robert Norton
Melanie Euler ......... Elaine Madison
Mrs. Kneller ........... Director

Bless this food and all those gathered here

A plate for me, a plate for John,
... a plate for him

Stage hands: Glenda Abbett
Brycen Rice
Blaine Thomas

The picture! You do want to see the picture
Members of the welcoming class look forward to this beautiful evening, the most important social event of the year.

"The Loveliest Night of the Year" was the theme of the Banquet and Prom given by the class of 1966 to honor the class of 1965. Special guests included faculty and board members and families. After the banquet music for dancing was furnished by the "Cavaliers."

CLASS OF 1966
Compliments of EMBERY CAR WASH AND WATHENA APPLE GROWERS ASSN.
Miss Ritter, director, and the committee who provided the musical program during the banquet. Karen Harman, Jan Shields, Lonnie Sollars, Linda Burdge, Judy Hewins and Miss Ritter.

Speakers and special guests at the head table in the highly decorated room.

OUR GUESTS —
CLASS OF 1965

Compliments of DEEKEN SUPER SERVICE AND "66" ONE-STOP
COMMUNITY — SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

COUNTY GOVERNMENT DAY

Elected officials to the County Government Day, December 7, sponsored by the American Legion.

Our school participated in these events sponsored by community organizations.


Career Conference panel from Highland Junior College: Dick Hewins, Ramona Silvy, Patty Laipple, Nick Embery, Fred Walter—presented a program for college-bound juniors and seniors.

Terry Hart and Dennis Lester, delegates to the Community Council.

FALL FESTIVAL

September 3, 1965

Sponsored by
The American Legion

Miss Fall Festival and flower girl, Kelly Schuman, in the festival parade.

Pat Gabriel and runner-up Debbie Herring

Miss Fall Festival Pat Gabriel
Mrs. Kneller and Mr. Weiland serve at the teachers' Christmas breakfast, December 21.

Serving at the Christmas Tea, Debbie Juhl, Linda Benitz, Carol Goin and Nancy Bauman.


Santa smiles at the last couple at the conclusion of the Seniors' Dance, December 18.

"The Wonder of Christmas", choral cantata directed by Miss Ritter, presented December 23.

Geneva Wollnick and Fred Rohrer reign as Miss and Mr. Santa Claus.

1965 CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Program committee for the Christmas Assembly Dec. 24.
1965
CHRISTMAS
ACTIVITIES

Freshmen boys admire the Seniors' tree

Books are put away in lockers during vacation: December 24 to January 3, 1966.

Special from the oven for our Christmas lunch

Kathy Silvy narrates for the fashion show in December

Betty Walter arranges crib with help from Melinda Madinger and Roberta Miller.

Making cookies for Christmas

Stage setting for Christmas programs
Library—The staff gives time, effort and service to keep the library running smoothly and efficiently. Cards are typed, books are checked out, and worn copies repaired.

WE STUDY

Study Hall: Are we busy? You better believe it. Here students work diligently to prepare homework or to develop projects and reports for their classes.
LUNCH ROOM

Head-cook, Mary Engeman and assistant Maude Eisiminger, prepare mouth-watering peach cobbler in the ten-burner, double oven, New South Bend institutional range purchased in August, 1965, for the new term.

Wonderful results!
We all agree!

Also available for afternoon refreshment: Chocolate milk or an orange drink.

These boys appreciate the fine Doniphan County Delicious apples which were purchased from a local grower and were served on the students' trays.

Lunch Room Personnel:

Janice Ward
Lynda Fulcher
Cathy Studer
Jim Miller
Mike Gabriel
Robert Studer
Mark Nold
John Crittendon

Compliments of HARDY'S "66" CAFE AND EULALIA'S DRY GOODS
Bus Drivers: Paul Juhl, Jerry McCloud and Lawrence Pankau begin their routes north, south, east and west each morning.

Kenny Christopher, Mr. Goatcher's helper, uses the new power mower to get the football field in top notch shape.

Each morning at nine o'clock, these children load up in front of the high school to travel to Blair to attend kindergarten.

Why does our school look so neat? Mr. Vatcher Goatcher, custodian, can give you the answer.

Compliments of RAY'S FLORAL SHOP AND HOLIDAY MOTEL
Preparation begins early for the Wildcat. All seniors are engaged in one way or another in its production. Tentative plans are made; layouts for the pages begin to take shape. Then picture taking, copy writing, pasting, selling, ordering—a lot of work but worth it when the final mats are completed.

In this book we have attempted to record the story of one of the happiest years of our lives. As you delve through the pages, may your enjoyment equal ours.

The class expresses deep appreciation for the many contributions that have made the publication possible.

—The Wildcat Staff
Josephine Kiefer, yearbook sponsor
USD 406 (Wathena) entered into a building contract with the Bradley Building Company of Kansas, Inc., September 1, 1965, for the building of a new grade school and an addition to the present high school. Completion date for the project was set for August, 1966.
The Senior spends his last year...

with thoughts of the past, worries of the present, and bewilderment for the future.

As he walks through the halls he remembers...

the first day he saw them, the first day he was lost, the many problems he encountered.

For the future...

he wonders and hopes, and wonders some more.

It is hard to realize that four years ago he entered here for the first time, and in a short while he will leave for the last time...

To walk the paths which he dreamed of...

not so long ago!