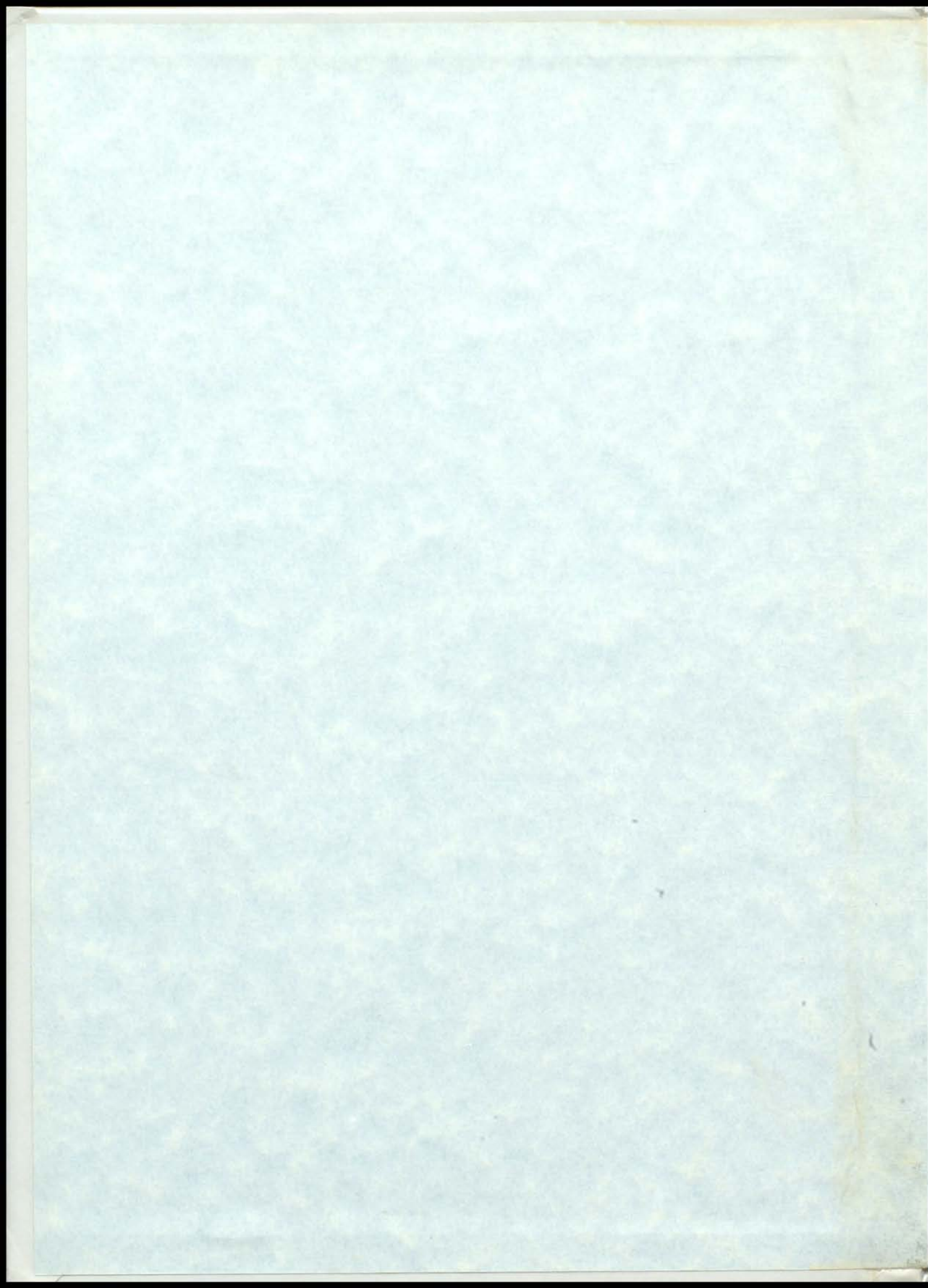
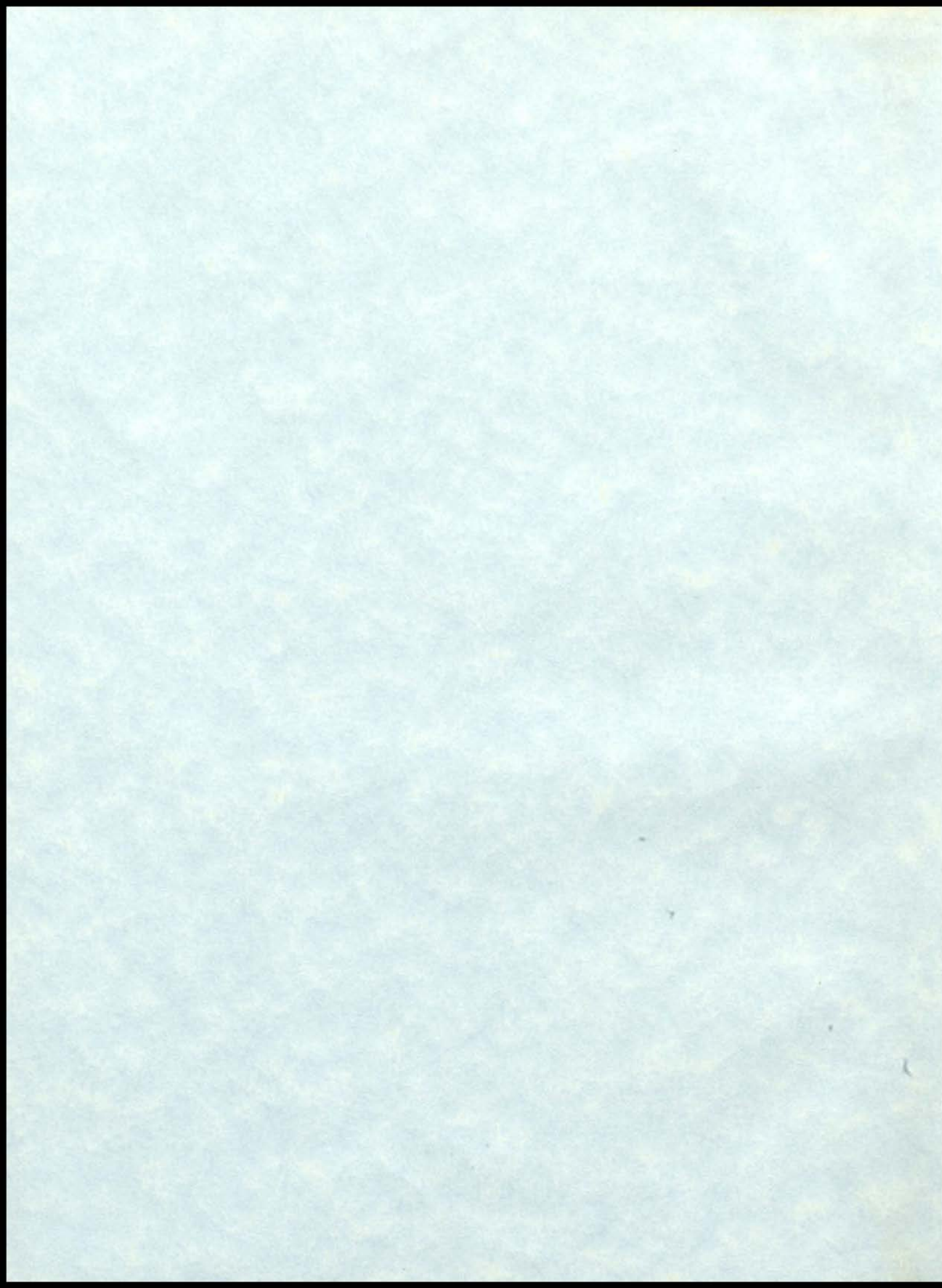


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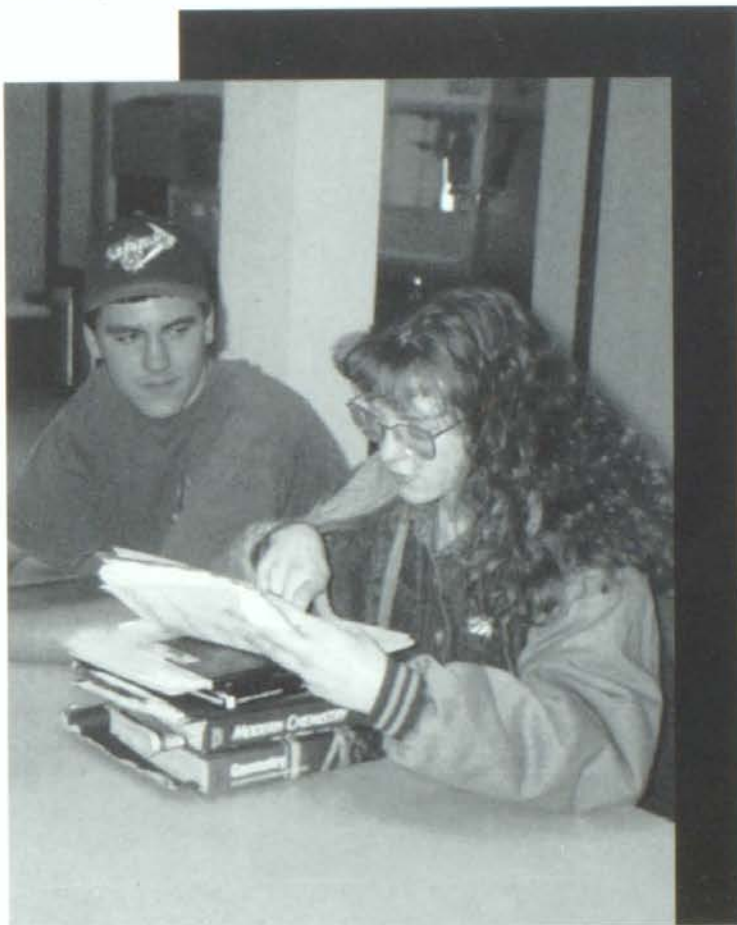








Classes were a very important part of school. Students Nancy Mitchell and Cory Smith study notes for a chemistry test. Sometimes studying for a test made a big difference. Photo by Candy Higley.



"And they're off!" Marietta Wood jumps out of her starting blocks when the gun sounded. The school year also started off with a bang. The seniors were on their last lap around the track, while the freshmen were just beginning the race. Photo by Keith Hinds.

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"Let me out!" cry Becky Boaz and Jaimie Hartter. The students had the opportunity to tour the jail during county government day. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

WELCOME

Troy students active

Mrs. Beth Reust takes a moment before school to talk with Robert Robinson. Mrs. Reust is often seen interacting with the students. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



Welcome to Troy High School. Here we are. This book represents who we are, what we've done, and the things we have accomplished. It records triumphs and defeats and a wide variety of memories.

From athletics to academics, leadership to participation, this book is filled with Troy students performing in these various areas.

School takes up most of a teenager's time from August to May. As you turn the pages you will see how some students made the most of it. They participated in athletics, speech, drama, quiz bowl, music, art, and a variety of clubs, such as pep club and T-Club.

Students also kept up in their classes. They worked hard in the required classes, such as math, English and history, and also in the elective classes.

This is us, the students who attended Troy High School in 1995-96.

Here we are.



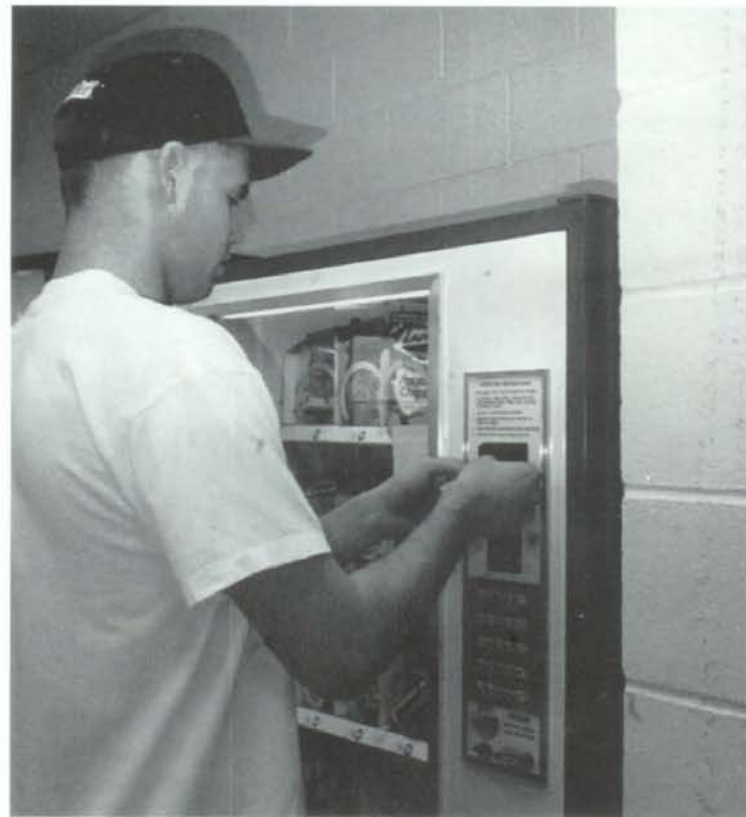
Chris Hoverson has a tough decision in front of her—M&M's with peanuts or without. The snack machine and pop and juice machines were added by the student council. Photo by Candy Higley.

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Eating school lunch are Amy Moore, Lindsay Christenson, and Chris Adkins. Many students ate school lunch while others either brought lunch from home or took advantage of the snack machine. Photo by Keith Hinds.



Bryan Salisbury feeds a dollar to the snack machine in return for a snack before track practice. Photo by Candy Higley.



Students' Memories



Students have many memories from the year. From the hilarious to the serious, here are a few.

"Starting my own business and getting it off the ground."—Andy Bramlage

"When I colored my hair red."—Bobby Milbourne

"When we went to the state music festival and the van broke down. After we got it fixed it broke down again and we ended up walking."—Katherine Robinson

"When Nathan Penny got a mohawk."—Andy Franken

"The Centralia football game which we were picked to lose. Dallas Keller ran for a touchdown and we ended up winning the game."—Melissa Campbell

"On Queen of Courts night I hit the wall and was carried out on a stretcher."—Justin Johnson

"When we won the freshman volleyball game against Jackson Heights."—Marietta Wood

"When we barbequed steaks before the spring play."—Shane Peden



Above left: Lindsey Rosenberger and Kristin Kinsey take time before a track meet to refuel. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

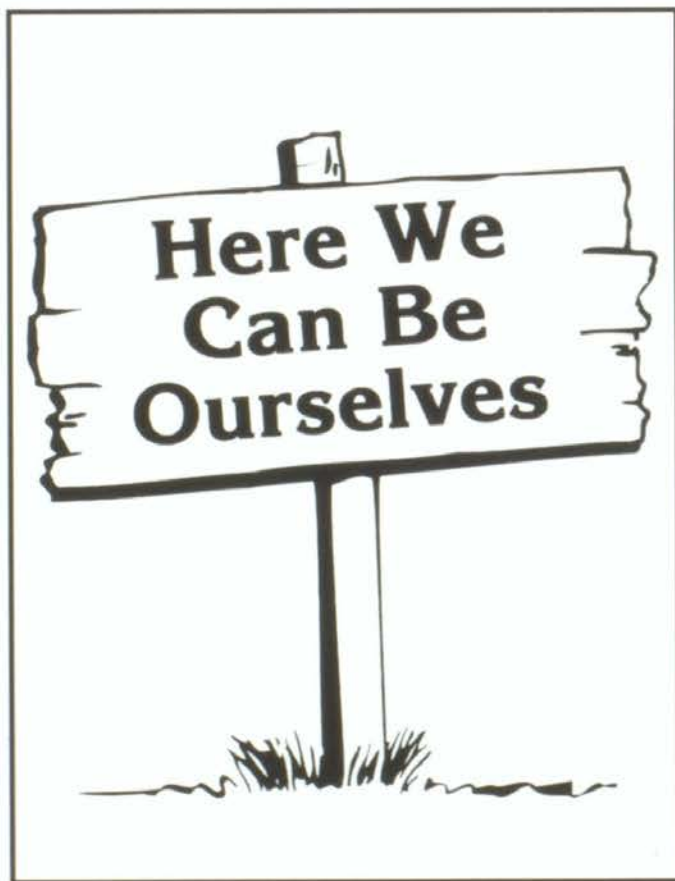
Left: Staci Schultz consoles Jeremy Prawl after a rough football game. Jeremy played center for the team. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Eric Donaldson and Jill Wiedmer play a game of cards while other students check out. Playing cards was a popular activity at speech meets, music festivals, and senior trip. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Thad Eylar enjoys camping out. He built this teepee by cutting trees, putting them together, and covering them with tarps. He stayed in it often during deer season. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



"How do you play that chord?" Mandie Loroff asks Larry Huff. Both enjoy jamming on their guitars in their spare time. Photo by Candy Higley.

PEOPLE

Students experience the fine art of dating

It causes more zits than games, homework, and tests combined.

Dating.

Many students thought they perfected the art.

Bryan Salisbury had some pretty good ideas about a traditional date.

"When I take a girl out we usually go to a movie, not certain kind, really, just whatever is on, and then we go get something to eat," he said.

Lunch is often the only time during the day when students can relax. Kami Barnthson and Jamie Wykert enjoy their school lunch. Photo by Keith Hinds.



After the first date, the question running through each person's mind is "What about the kiss?"

"The first time Kelli and I kissed, I ran over a curb and almost hit a fence," explained Craig Scholz.

Going out during the winter months was sometimes a bit of a challenge. Not only was the weather cold, but the road were sometimes icy, making it much less convenient to go out.

Mandie Loroff went out on just such a night and remembers her weather-related adventure.

"I went out one night with Candy, her boyfriend, and his friend who they set me up with. On the way home we came around a corner and hit a slick spot and ended up facing back the way we came from," she laughed.

Of course going out with a member of the opposite sex isn't the only way to have fun. Many students enjoy going out with their friends.

"I love to go shopping with my friends. We always have a great time. Then we go out to eat," commented Becky Boaz.

There were also many adventures when students went out with friends.

Sandi Nelson said, "I went out with the girls on Halloween and I got stuck in my seatbelt in my car. My friends just left me there!"

No matter who students went out with they always managed to have a good time. Here we could be ourselves.



Dating wasn't restricted only to students. Mr. Kevin McNorton proposed to his girlfriend Candy Luther during halftime of the February 20 basketball game. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Jeff Drake, Eric Donaldson, and Mr. Rice are just hanging around one day after school. Photo by Renee Scholz.

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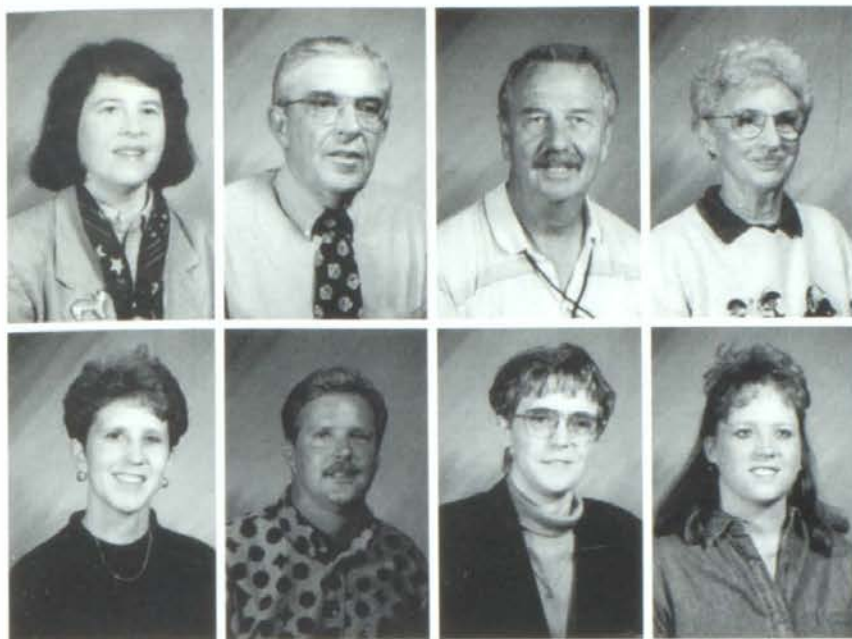
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Front Row: Elizabeth Fischer, member; Mark Fenley, member; and Arlen Ruhnke, member. Row 2 Earl Guiot, superintendent; Warren Grable, Jr., president; Miles Gibson, member; and Hugh Kinsey, member. Not pictured Gary Davies, vice-president. The school board decided on new rules about snow days and bus routes as well as kept the school running. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Front Row: Bea Koehler, and Ray Tackett. Row 2: Rick Simmons, Dennis Carey, Charlie Hopp, Archie Sutherland, and Tim Twombly. Trying to keep the students happy on a bus was a hard thing to do. Photo by Regina Huff.

FACULTY

Teachers and faculty add new faces to lineup



Bonnie Mitchell and Tim Twombly were the school janitors. "It was hard work, trying to keep the school clean, but it was worth it," commented Bonnie. Photo by Regina Huff.

The cooks Gracie Christenson, Margaret Sutton, and Chloe Winder had to deal with hungry teenagers and teachers every day. Photo by Bray.

The school year started and there were new faces everywhere. These new faces belonged to teachers as well as new students.

Two of the new teachers worked at both the high school and middle school. Miss Kathy Kasselmann taught computers and was also the pep club and sophomore class sponsor.

"The students and faculty at Troy have been great to work with. They helped me during the first few months of teaching, and I appreciate that. Troy's a pretty good school," stated Miss Kasselmann.

Miss Christina Michels taught transition math. Miss Michels left Troy at the end of the first semester to take a job elsewhere. Miss Michelle De La Torre took Miss Michel's place as the transition math teacher.

Mrs. Teresa Witt returned to teach the gifted classes Thursday mornings.

Troy was introduced to a new superintendent, Earl Guiot. Mr. Guiot came to Troy from western Kansas with some new and interesting ideas for Troy students and faculty.

The high school also got a new counselor. Mr. Nick Dannevik was a counselor at Troy from 1965 to 1980 and returned to the counseling job.

"Troy was a good school when I was here last, and it was a good school when I returned. The kids and the teachers/faculty are all great to work with. I like them a lot," commented Mr. Dannevik.

FRESHMEN

Keeping busy is not hard to do

New school, new people, and coming in as underclassmen were all familiar to freshmen. Everyone went through being at the back of the lines and getting lockers slammed.

New to the freshman class and to the school was Mr. Benny Rice. He was a first-year teacher and first-time sponsor of the class.

Mr. Rice commented, "Sponsoring a class is a lot of fun. It was quite an experience for doing it for the first time. I know a lot more of what to expect for next year and what I can do different and better to benefit the class."

The one thing that was well known to freshmen was Tom-Wat. They earned \$2238.34 towards Prom and the senior trip.

High school kept freshmen busy by offering many more activities than the middle school. Most of the freshmen were active in clubs such as Kayettes. Many also played sports. The addition of wrestling got two freshmen more involved in the sports area. Most of the high school activities—from plays to cheerleading to quiz bowl—kept freshmen busy.

Nathan Geiger stated, "High school is like any other grade, but I like it a lot better because there's so much more to do and you can get more involved in everything. High school keeps me very busy; that's for sure!"

The freshman class was the largest class in the high school. They had a better advantage when it came around to class competitions.

One freshman who was new to Troy and was involved in wrestling was Nathan Reynolds.

"I like coming to Troy. The one thing different is that you have a lot more responsibility here and in high school. I am always very busy and don't have a lot of free time because wrestling practice took up most of the time and meets were usually on weekends," he stated.

Other freshmen felt that high school was easy and had many more benefits than middle school.

Kristin Kinsey explained, "I think high school is really easy and a lot of fun. You have so much more freedom from everyone. The only thing that isn't a whole lot of fun about being a freshman is that you have to go last at everything!"

Nathan Reynolds hurriedly pushes a penny with his nose trying to race other members of the freshman class at the Late Night pep rally. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Suzie Oyerly
Clint Peden
Nathan Reynolds
Cory Ruhnke
Betsy Schultz
Corey Smith



P.J. Smith
Brett Speaks
Christy Stahl
Christy Stewart
Pearl Stewart
Marietta Wood





Shane Akers
Allisha Benitz
Megan Boeh
Stephanie Cook
Katie Culp
Carmen Duncan



Justin Engemann
Linda Feek
Josh Fischer
Laura Ford
Nathan Geiger
Ryan Grable



Larissa Handley
April Hiemer
Amy King
Kristin Kinsey
Derek Luedke



Kyle McConnaughey
Mathew McKittrick



Treasurer Allisha Benitz, Secretary Megan Boeh, President Ryan Grable, Vice-President Betsy Schultz, and Sponsor Benny Rice are in charge of and represent the freshman class. Photo by Bray.

Left: Freshman sponsor Benny Rice sorts through Tom-Wat merchandise with Christy Stahl and Stephanie Cook so that it can be delivered. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Freshmen

Layout by **Renee Scholz**

Jaylon Ashburn
 Sarah Boeh
 Andy Bramlage
 Melissa Campbell
 Jared Cash
 Jamie Christenson



Aaron Clary
 Adam Clary
 Cory Clary
 William Clary
 Aaron Davies
 Neal Eylar



Harley Feek
 Jenny Ford
 Andy Franken
 Sarah Geiger
 Christy Gibson
 Chris Hoverson



James Huss
 Kirk Jamvold
 Brad Johnson
 Amy Keller
 Dallas Keller
 Nicole Kinsey



Corey Kostman
 Matt Langford
 Bobby Milbourne
 Sandi Nelson
 Angie Neumann
 Jeremy Prawl



Katherine Robinson
 Taryn Schmidt
 Errica Stanton
 Jessica Stanton
 Kyle Thomas
 Tim Uplinger
 Shanna Wright
 Jamie Wykert



Year of experience for sophomores

The sophomores had the changes of being a sophomore and getting more respect and responsibilities.

The new sponsor, Miss Kathy Kasselmann, was also the new computer teacher.

"I have really enjoyed working with and getting to know the sophomores this year. Although it has been a little stressing for me to be the new sponsor to the biggest class in the high school," stated Miss Kasselmann.

Miss Kasselmann had some new ideas about fundraisers

Sponsor Kathy Kasselmann, Vice-President Sarah Boeh, President Dallas Keller, and Secretary/Treasurer Nicole Kinsey. The class officers worked hard to get money for their class using fundraisers.



for the sophomores. In addition to selling pizzas in February, they also sold wreaths and swags during the Christmas season.

"I believe that selling the wreaths and swags during the Christmas season was a great benefit to our sophomore bank account," said Jamie Christenson.

The required classes were basically the same as the freshman classes, an English class and a science class.

"I think our sophomore classes were different than our freshman ones because we do more projects. Like in Mythology, we have done at least three. Our best was a video starring me, Aaron Clary, Andy Bramlage, and Willie Clary. We did a report on the Trojan War. It took us a while and we had to rush through it, but it turned out great," commented Jared Cash.

"Something I like about being a sophomore is that we get more respect as a sophomore. We have been around for a year, and have gotten used to the things that go on around Troy High," stated Sandi Nelson.

The sophomores did get a little more respect from the upperclassmen and the teachers. They also got more responsibility from the teachers.

Some other things that the sophomores had to take were the reading, writing and math State Assessment tests. The test were administered by Counselor Nick Dannevik.

"I believe that the assessment tests seem to be quite challenging. Though I really don't see how they can judge you by those tests. Some people may not have had some of the problems that are on those tests," said Aaron Clary.

The sophomores had the challenge of the block classes, just like the rest of the school. One class that the sophomores had, along with other grades, was economics, taught by Mr. Bruce Reynolds. The study of anatomy and physiology, taught by Mr. Kevin McNorton, was another one of the many block classes that had many sophomores.

"Anatomy and physiology is all right as a class, but it really takes too long and it is hard to pay attention during the whole hour-and-a-half time period. It becomes really dry," stated Chris Hoverson.

Kami Barnthson
 Julie Boeh
 Heath Campbell
 Andrew Clary
 Kristy Clary
 Kelly Dishon



Eric Donaldson
 Kristina Drake
 Pat Drake
 Alissa Durbin
 Gabe Durr
 Michael Grable



Douglas Handley
 Kristina Heil
 Larry Huff
 Regina Huff
 Tito Martinez
 Jason McNeely



Clinton McNemee
 Shawn Miller
 Nancy Mitchell
 Noelle Oyler
 Nathan Penny
 Sam Reust



Lindsey Rosenberger
 Renee Scholz
 Kelli Simmons
 Heath Whetstine
 Jill Wiedmer



Gabe Durr busily prepares some nachos at a basketball game for a customer at the concession stand. Working at the stand was required for members of the junior class. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



JUNIORS

Juniors demonstrate quality—not quantity

As their sophomore year ended, most juniors were looking forward to being upperclassmen with some seniority. The juniors found that being the smallest class with only 29 members didn't mean they lacked quality.

Homework, activities, and work . . . how did they find the time? Most juniors had a part-time job and often worked weekends. School activities were juggled between their life schedules.

Kelly Dishon stated, "This year is a lot harder because I'm taking college classes. When it comes down to finals, there is so much more to do. There's so much more homework and it's hard to do everything—job, homework, and activities."

The juniors had to do their part in the class fundraiser by working at the concession stand during games.

The concession stand, sponsored by Mrs. Anna Goss, was moved to the cafeteria.

Hard at work for one of her many classes is Kelli Simmons. She draws a layout as an assignment for the publications class. Photo by Renee Scholz.



Many members of the class felt they lost money by moving the concession stand to a location that was farther away from the people and the gym.

Michael Grable commented, "I like being a junior a whole lot better. You have more power to do what you want to. The homework is a lot harder than the years before, but it's great to be an upperclassman!"

The junior class was in charge of one of the big events at Troy high—Prom. The juniors chose the date and the place the previous year. The class prepared for the event by holding class meetings, looking through numerous books, and making many phone calls.

Being as busy as the juniors were, many members of the class held many offices as well as the other activities they participated in. The average number of offices held by juniors was one or two, depending on how busy they were.

"Being a junior is like taking your first step all over again. I wasn't expecting to be hit with all the homework I've had. It's been an exciting and challenging year and a lot of fun," recalled Lindsey Rosenberger.

The junior year is a year to make memories, like every other year, and to have fun before becoming a senior. The year itself may be a more stressful and harder year due to all the activities and the preparation of prom, but the class of '97 managed to finish with flying colors.

Junior officers are Vice-President Heath Campbell, Sponsor Bruce Reynolds, President Renee Scholz, and Secretary Jill Wiedmer. The officers were in charge of running the class and preparing for Prom. Photo by Bray.



SENIORS

The last year for seniors goes by fast

"Before we got to high school, it seemed to take forever to get to get to high school. But when we got into high school, the time seemed to fly by. Especially this year," stated Lonna Neumann.

For some students, their senior year seemed to take just as long as their other years in school. Other students thought that their whole school career went by in a flash.

The seniors had some changes during their time at the Troy schools, from the first day of kindergarten to eighth grade graduation, from the first day of their freshman year to graduation day. Then they faced another change, being on their own. Either in college or at work, they were out of the realms of security at Troy High and at home.

In the thirteen years that took the seniors this far, they lost and gained some students, as well as keeping the original class. Their senior year, they acquired Jaimie Harter as a fellow student and friend.

"In coming to THS I wasn't as nervous as I could have been. Troy is the smallest school I've been to and, I think, the friendliest. Plus, I was used to switching schools, so it really wasn't that much of an ordeal," commented Jaimie.

The seniors had the opportunity to have a CPR class. This is the first year the seniors had a separate CPR class. In the past it has always been a part of the school's health day. Mrs. Diane Walter and the school athletic trainers came to Troy March 18 to give the seniors the CPR lesson. They watched a video on how to respond to a victim, and what to do.

They also got the opportunity to use Rescue Annies (mannequins) so they could get the feeling of what to do in an emergency situation.



"Learning CPR and rescue breathing is an extremely important thing to learn. It can come in handy in emergency situations," said Staci Schultz.

It was also the first time the seniors, along with the juniors, got to go to the courthouse and vote. Many seniors in government class chose to run for a county office for county government day. Their names were put on a ballot and then voted on, by the juniors and seniors of the county schools. The votes were tallied and were announced April 4 at county government day.

Lindsay Christenson stated, "It seemed to take forever to actually get to vote at the courthouse. At least it gave us the opportunity to know what it is like to vote for future reference."

The memories that the seniors made this year and in past years may be either good or bad, but the memories and experiences will stay with them throughout the rest of their lives.

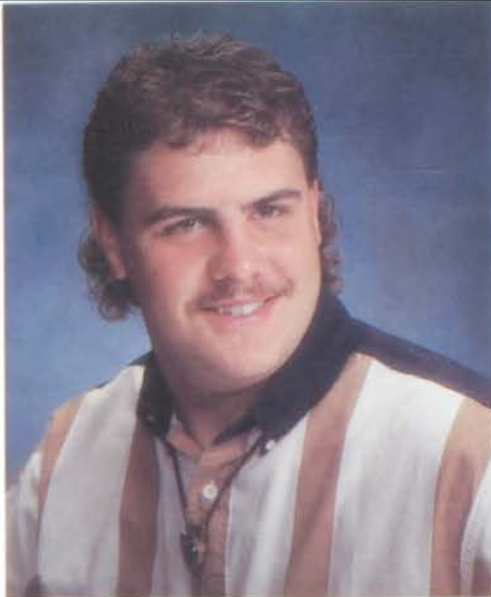


"Would you like tea or water with that?" said Mandie Loroff as she poured drinks for the senior BBQ beef supper. Photo by Candy Higley.

The senior officers were Secretary/Treasurer Bryan Salisbury, President Jennifer Engemann, and Vice President Benjy Cook. The officers planned for graduation, senior trip, and for fundraisers. Photo by Bray.



Christina Lynn Ovelino



Joel Hayden Ashburn



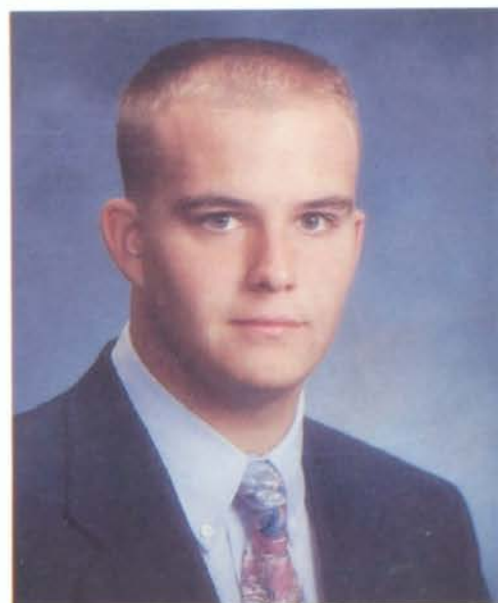
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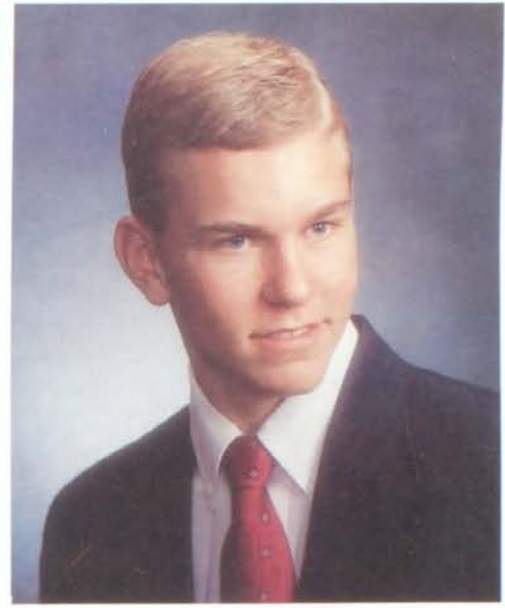
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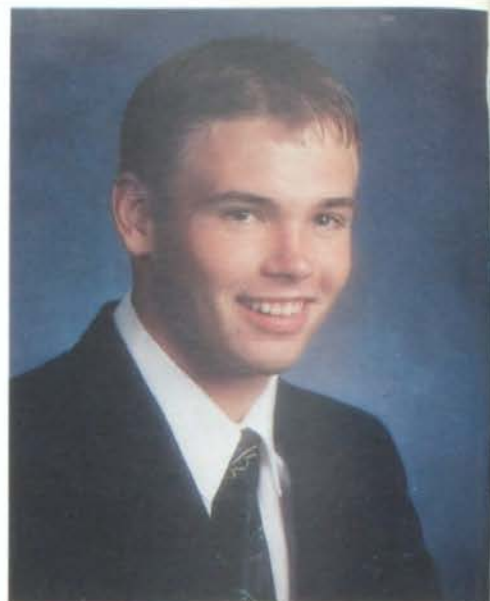
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Robert Charles Blinn



Bryan E Salisbury



Craig Kenneth Scholz



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Damon L. Shelton



Class Motto
If you can imagine it, you can achieve it;
if you can dream it, you can become it.

Class Colors
 Navy Blue and Pink

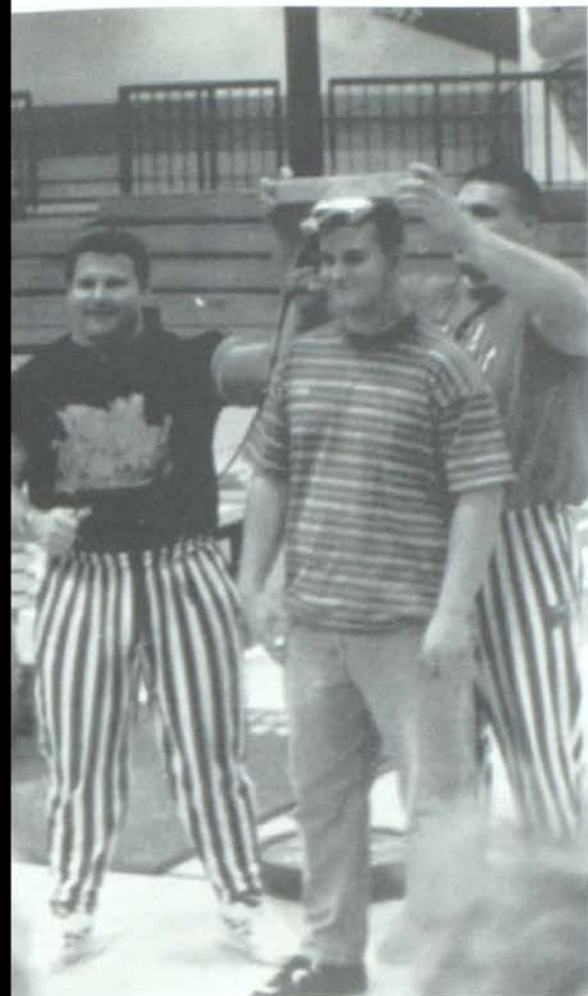
Class Flower
 Pink Rose



Patrick John Stamp



Lacey Rachelle Thomas



Left: Benjy Cook prepares for a mighty blow to the head during an assembly. The Mighty Warriors came to Troy to talk about the harmful effects of drugs. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

Below: Jeremy Grable, Damon Shelton, and Jeff Drake rap their poem they wrote for their English class. This was one of the many projects that the class did throughout the year. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



"Are you all right?" cries Becky Boaz to April Feek on senior CPR day. The seniors worked on themselves and on mannequins to learn what to do in an emergency. Photo by Regina Huff.

PROM

Oh What a Night prom turned out to be!

A dress, a tuxedo, a date, and an elegant evening—yes, it was that time of year when everyone was all dressed up and had somewhere to go—Prom. The junior/senior prom returned to the ever-popular Country Club in St Joseph, only this time, April 13.

The night started with pictures in front of black pillars decorated with gold, blue, and star balloons that made an arch. The background was like blue clouds. The banquet started off with a welcome by junior president Renee Scholz and then a reply by senior president Jennifer Engemann.

The buffet dinner was complete with chicken breast, twice-baked potato, vegetables, salad, rolls, and chocolate mousse and cheesecake for dessert. The tables were decorated with candles and there were "prom," "96," and stars, moon, and sun confetti.

Guest speaker Don Cash, chosen by the juniors, gave an inspirational speech about not letting anything stand in anyone's way.

Thad Eylar said, "Prom was full of excitement."

The D.J., Complete Music, had karaoke, and lots of music. The dance started off with an ice-breaker, "The Chicken Dance."

Taking advantage of karaoke were Eric Donaldson, Pat Drake, Keith Hinds, and Damon Shelton, who sang "Cumbersome" by Seven Mary 3. Another group was Lindsay Christenson, Jennifer Engemann, Mandy Robinson, Lacey Thomas, and Tabitha Gibson who sang "Any Man of Mine" by Shania Twain.

Senior Amy Moore stated, "Prom was nicely decorated with a night look and the food was delicious. I had a lot of fun dancing and socializing. After-prom was fun too—I like to bowl!"

After-prom kept Jeremy Prawl, Zach Benitz, and Shane Peden busy with activities, such as bowling. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Prom in itself turned out to be "Oh What A Night," which was the theme song.

The after-prom party was at the Belt Bowl from 12:30 to 4:30 for the fourth consecutive year.

Those who attended after-prom could spend time shooting pool, playing video games, bowling, munching on sandwiches, chips, and cookies, and sipping drinks provided by the after-prom committee of parents.

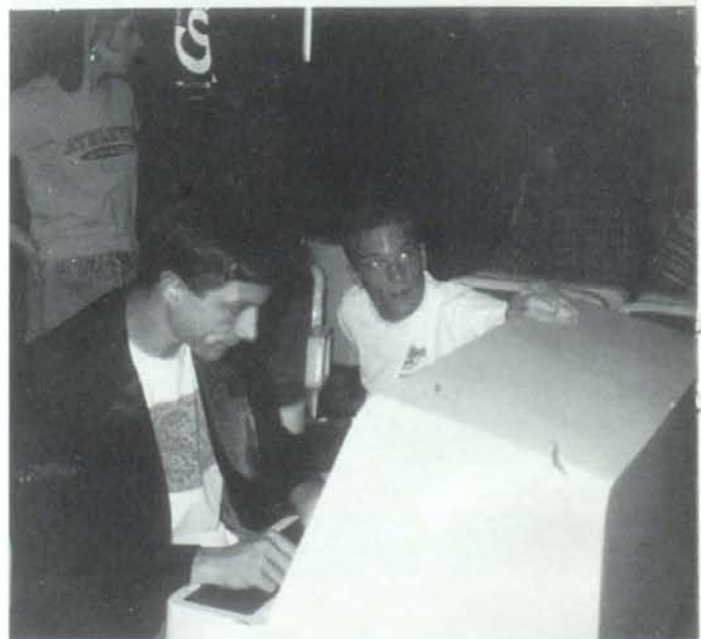
"I've never been to prom before, so it was very exciting! Everyone looked great and I had a blast!" recalled junior Heath Campbell.

Throughout the night, many prizes were given out every half-hour. They included t-shirts, gift certificates to various businesses, 10- and 20- dollar bills, and other small items.

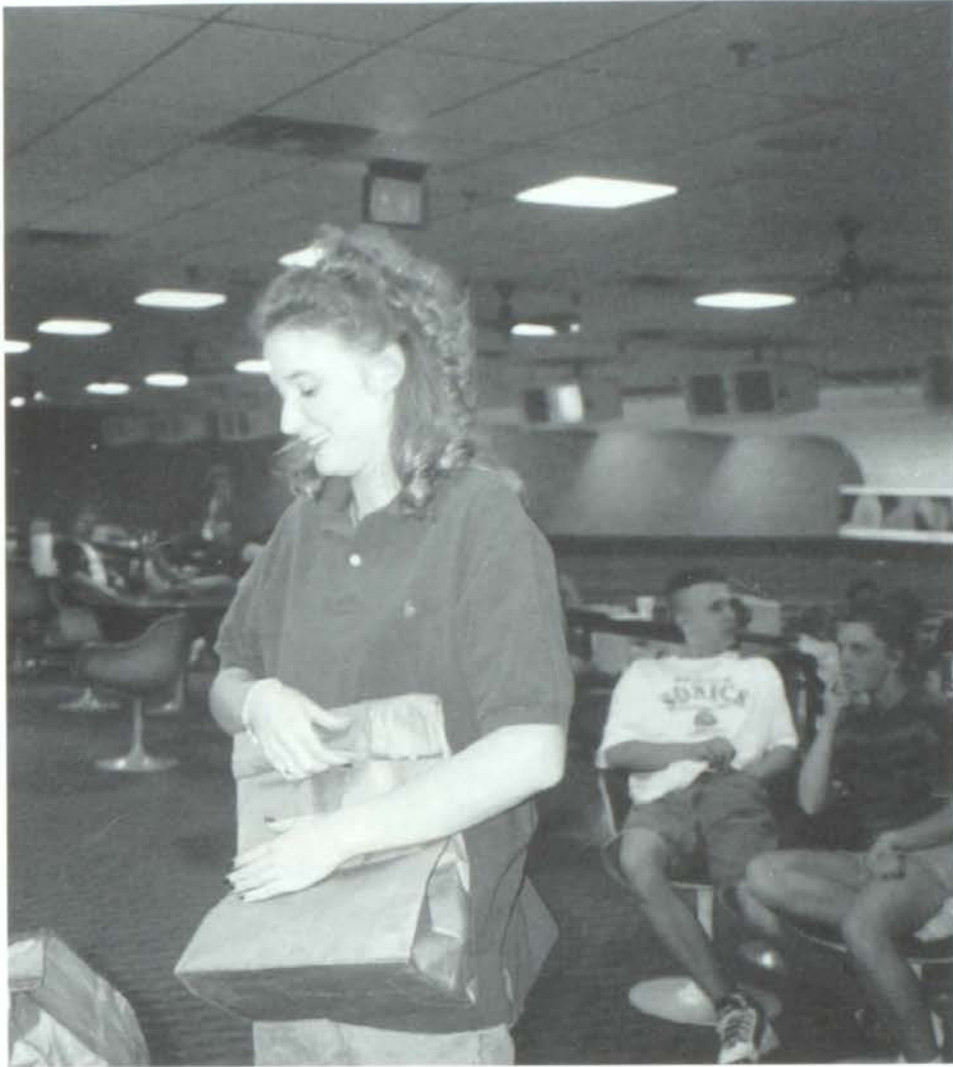
The real excitement came towards the end of the night when the big prizes were given out. Winners were Jennifer Engemann (\$100 dollars), Shane Peden (19" TV), Amy Moore (microwave), Travis Jenkins (\$50-savings bond), Bryan Salisbury (CD player), and Robert Robinson (camera).

April 13 was a night, but "Oh What A Night" it was!

Jared Cash works at programming names onto the bowling screen after-prom while Travis Jenkins eagerly looks to see if anything appears. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Many prizes were given out at after-prom. Amy Moore opens a mystery bag to find out what she has won. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Enjoying socializing while waiting for the banquet are Nancy Mitchell and date Cory Smith. Photo by McBee.



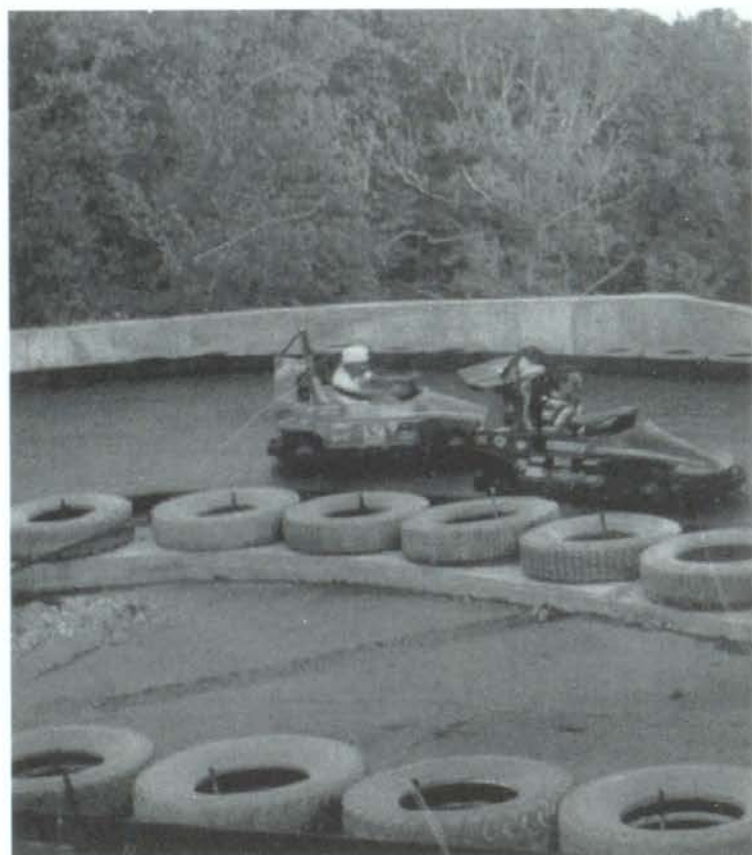
Stopping off for a quick take at McDonald's are Candy Higley, Hamburglar, Chris Suther, Grimmace, Chad Simon, and Kelly Dishon. The group couldn't resist the opportunity to have a photo taken in prom attire with McDonald's characters.



Visiting was common at the Country Club. Donald Stock, Amy Moore, Angle Stock, Alissa Durbin, and Curtis Anderson have a quick chat. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Waiting in line for pictures are couples Chad Mitchell and Lonna Neumann, and Chris Adkins and Danny Clary. Photo by McBee.

Enjoying a picnic supper on senior trip are Candy Higley, Mandie Loroff, Justin Johnson, Tabitha Gibson, Jennifer Engemann, Jeremy Grable, and Lonna Neumann. The seniors had their choice of hamburgers or hot dogs which were provided by the senior class. Photo by Jaimie Hartter.



Racing around the corner in go-karts are Jeremy Grable, and Craig Scholz. Go-kart racing was one of many things that the seniors could do. Photo by Jaimie Hartter.



Wondering just what to buy for a souvenir is April Feek. The seniors went shopping many places to buy gifts and souvenirs. Photo by Jaimie Hartter.

SENIOR TRIP

Seniors endure bad weather on trip

"Senior trip was a blast. We got to be together one last time as a whole class. I really wish that the weather would have been better. But I can't change that," said April Feek.

The seniors visited Osage Beach Missouri in the Ozarks, Friday, May 10, to Monday, May 13. The group chartered a bus from Heartland and traveled for four and a half hours to the Ozarks.

"The first part of the trip wasn't so bad, like the first fifteen minutes, but then it got really boring and tiring. At least we had the televisions to keep us entertained for a little while," commented Shane Peden.

When they arrived, they checked in at the Marina Bay Resort and got settled in.

The weather for the whole trip was rainy and cold. The lake activities were often cancelled, but when they weren't many seniors didn't participate because it was too cold.

"The trip was fun, but it could have been better if the weather hadn't been so bad. It would have permitted us to do more things, like sight-seeing and lake activities.

But we still had fun," stated Sherry Duncan.

Some daring students forgot the cold weather and cold water and went onto the lake anyway. Keith Hinds and Joel Ashburn took the opportunity to go jet skiing, and Travis Jenkins, Thad Eylar, and Jeremy Grable rented a boat.

The seniors had other activities to do other than going out on the lake. They played golf, went go kart racing, had water balloon fights, played card games, went bumper boating, and shopping.

"Senior trip had its moments. We got rained out of most of the lake activities, but we still managed to have fun. The best night was Sunday night when we had a huge game of hide-and-go-seek," said Mandie Loroff.

The cost of the trip was \$200 per person. This included spending money, lodging, and transportation. The suppers on Saturday and Sunday were paid for by the senior class.

"I think that the cost of the trip and everything was a pretty good deal. It was a low cost for all the activities that were available to us. Unfortunately, the students weren't able to do much of those activities. Even though the students had fun, I doubt that we will ever go there again. We just can't count on the weather," commented Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, the senior class sponsor. Other sponsors were Mrs. Smith's husband Tom, Miss Cheryl Koelsch, and Superintendent Earl Guiot.

"We were very disappointed the way the weather turned out. It could have been worse, though. The seniors made the best out of an uncooperative situation, and had fun throughout the trip," stated Miss Koelsch.

Fishing a golf ball out of the pond are Megan Miner, Candy Higley, and Mandie Loroff. Mandie's ball rolled into the pond and got lost. Photo by Jaimie Harter



Deciding what activity to do next are Thad Eylar, Pat Stamper, Jeremy Grable, and Joel Ashburn. Photo by Keith Hinds.



Senior Trip

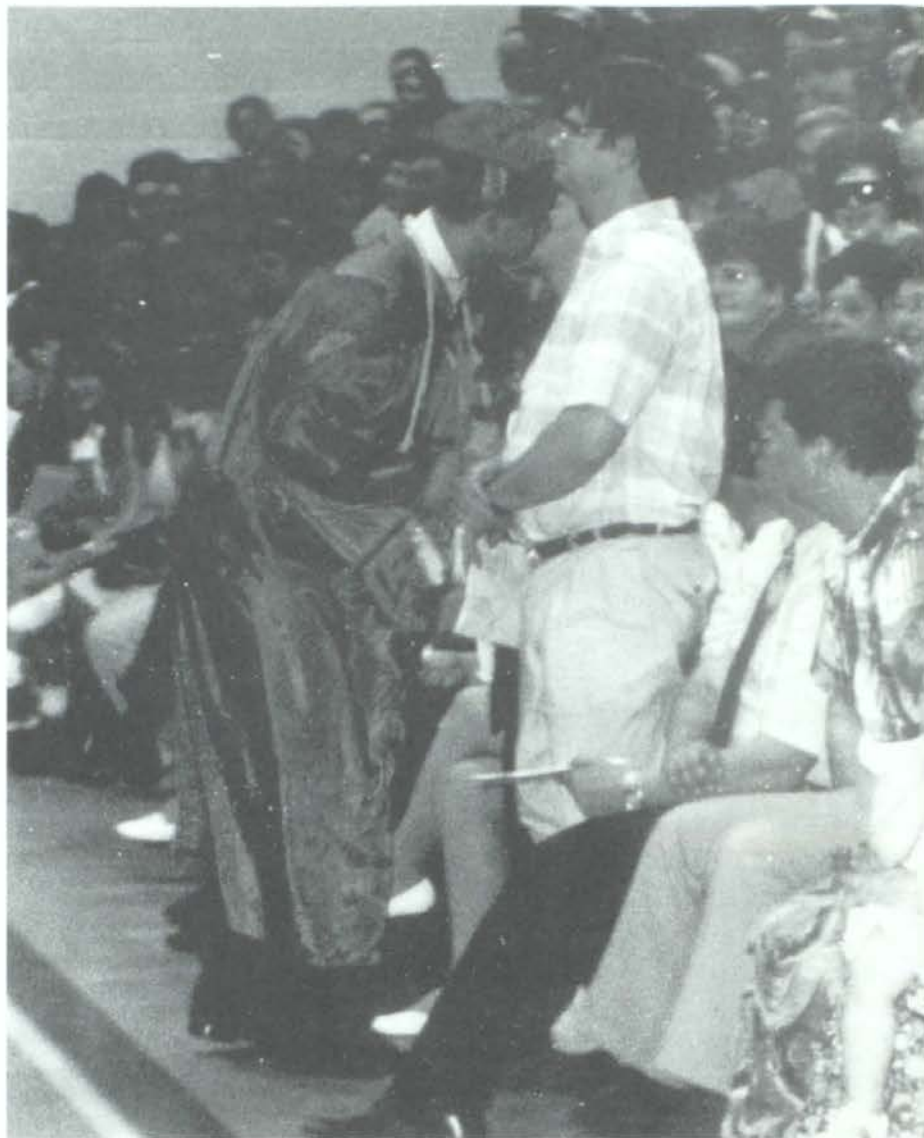
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Candy Higley shows a smile of happiness as she and classmate Joel Ashburn walk into the gymnasium. Photo by Michael Grable.



As part of the addition to the ceremony, Benjy Cook gives his mom Jodi a kiss and a flower while his dad Tom stands by. Photo by Michael Gable.



Rebecca Boaz readies herself before singing her solo for the audience at the commencement. Her song was part of the music heard. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Lindsay Christenson crosses the platform, as Benjy Cook and Jeff Drake wait. The grads were congratulated by the board after receiving diplomas. Photo by Michael Grable.



Mixed emotions are displayed by graduates and friends in the receiving line. Hugs and kisses were a common scene on the THS lawn. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

GRADUATION

Seniors bid farewell to family, friends, and THS

May 19 was a day that was full of emotions from happiness to sadness to tears. This day was a day that will not be forgotten by the graduates.

The traditional commencement ceremony was Sunday at 3 P.M., in the C.W. Oliver Gymnasium.

"Pomp and Circumstance," played by the THS band, was the entrance song for the senior class. Juniors Jill Wiedmer and Larry Huff escorted the class into the gym. Regina Huff and Clinton McNemee were ushers.

An addition to the ceremony was that the graduates walked into the audience and gave a pink rose and usually a hug to their parents.

Joel Ashburn commented, "The most memorable thing was running up and giving my mom her flower and a kiss. My friends and family being there was special."

Counselor Nick Dannevik announced the awards and scholarships the seniors received.

Other scholarships were announced at the ceremony.

As "Pomp and Circumstance" is played, Keith Hinds and Chris Adkins walk down the aisle. This was the last time any of the graduates would ever be high school seniors. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The Janice Kinsey Memorial scholarship went to Jeremy Grable and Jennifer Engemann. The Booster Club award went to Jennifer Engemann and Benjy Cook. Mandie Loroff received a \$425 SLK scholarship, which was the seventh annual award in memory of Margaret Oliver.

The American Legion awards were presented by Paul Keller. The winners were Jennifer Engemann and Benjy Cook, and the runners-up were Amy Moore and Travis Jenkins.

The THS chorus sang "That's What Friends Are For." There were two soloists for the commencement. Candy Higley sang "Here In My Heart" and Rebecca Boaz sang "More To This Life."

Principal Beth Reust presented Justin Johnson as salutatorian. He gave a speech and read "Oh, The Places You'll Go" by Dr. Seuss. Jennifer Engemann was then presented as valedictorian of the senior class. She talked about making dreams and striving for goals.

The class of 1996 had some excited members at the ceremony. Brandon Pierce practically skipped into the gym for the occasion. Other members of the class gave satisfied smiles and looks to people in the audience. Tabitha Gison stated, "I think that giving flowers to the parents showed a lot of respect. Parents deserve something for being there and helping through 13 years of school."

Graduation was a time for memories to be remembered and to be made. Many thoughts ran through the minds of graduates during the commencement.

Jeremy Grable recalled, "All I was thinking was that I was hoping my dad wouldn't do anything stupid."

As the moment approaches, many seniors make last-minute preparations before receiving their diplomas. Photo by Michael Grable.



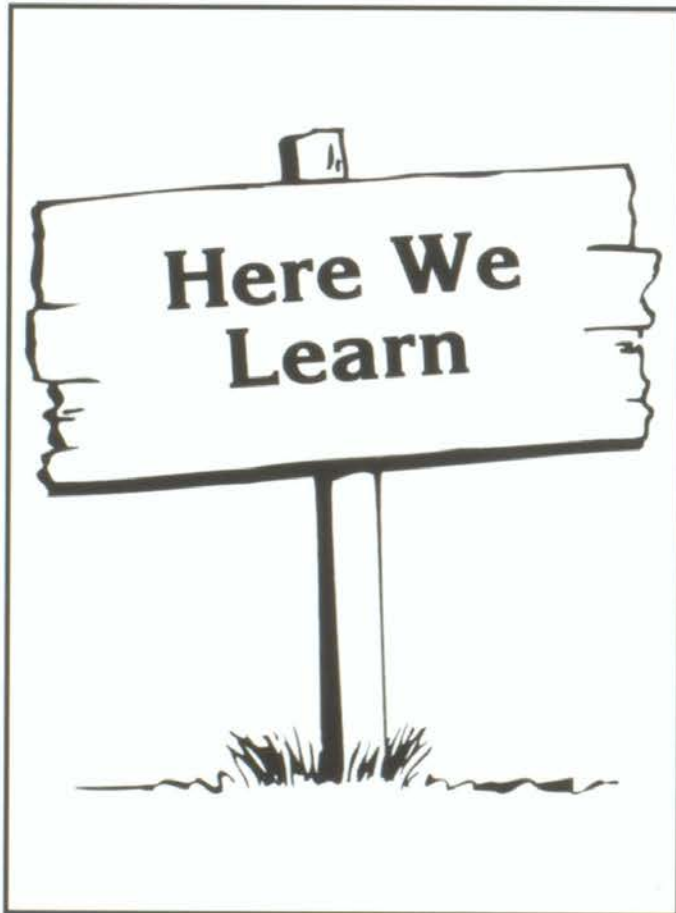
Graduation

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Bryan Salisbury, Bill Falk, Sherry Duncan, and Lindsay Christenson perform an original rap in Genre Analysis. It was a quarter English class offered only to seniors. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Jeff Drake takes a bite of the chocolate cheesecake he ordered at Haderway House. Taking a trip to Haderway House is a yearly event for the Family Living class. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

'I was abducted by aliens last night'—Tim Uplinger

Homework is just a part of school

"The dog ate my homework."

That was one of the most widely recognized excuses for not having homework completed. Many students felt the stress of balancing the academic and extra-curricular sides of school.

"I had a game last night," was another popular excuse which was used by many students including Kelly Dishon.

Games and practice took up a large chunk of

students' time.

"It's really hard to get my homework done after games because it is usually late when we get home and I am just too tired," Stephanie Cook said.

"I cleaned my room last night and lost my homework," said Carmen Duncan.

Many students were swamped at the end of the quarters because they put off much of the work that could have been done weeks before.

Lonna Neumann explained, "I can't stand reading; it puts me to sleep. So I don't do it until the last minute."

Jason McNeely had another excuse. "I was driving to school and my paper just flew right out the window."

Of course, homework was an essential part of many classes. Doing homework gave students experience with the material that was being covered in that class.

"There is no way around it; I have to do the homework. No matter how much I try to say that it doesn't really help, I think that it really does, especially in Spanish," remarked Christy Gibson.

Here we learned the basics—reading, writing, and arithmetic—as well as gained experience in many other fields that will prepare us for life after high school.

New classes, such as geometry, were added to the schedule. These classes provided new information that hadn't been offered before.

Here we learned; here we excelled in knowledge.

Robert Robinson is tightening a bolt on the cylinder of the bearing press in Industrial Arts. Photo by Keith Hinds.



Computers can be very perplexing at times. Miss Kasselmann explains how to run a DOS program to Alissa Durbin and Linda Feek in Computers I. Photo by Renee Scholz.



Coloring 130 pages isn't an easy task. Annie Jensen finishes invitations to the mock wedding. Annie is a member of the Family Living class. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

Academics Division

Layout by **Mandie Loroff and Candy Higley**

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I liked English; I had plenty of time to work due to the block schedule.-Annie Jensen

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A stressed out Candy Higley works diligently on the copy for her layout. Stress plays a big factor in publications students' lives due to upcoming deadlines. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

April Feek spends quiet time in the library trying to finish her book for her English class. Much time was spent in the library for Mrs. Israel's classes due to researching and many book reports. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



"And Argentina's main exports are . . .," comments Mandie Loroff, Spanish I student. The students did different projects throughout the year to help further their knowledge of the Hispanic culture. Photo by Staci Schultz.



Nicole Kinsey explains the background information about Theseus in her group's English 10 mythology class, while Katherine Robinson and Amy Keller help point out facts on their poster. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

New English class is added to schedule

Students experience frustration



"See my beautiful shoe?" asks Justin Engemann as he does his "commercial" for his English class. Mrs. Rockey's English 9 class was required to make a commercial. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

Another year in the language department at Troy High School started out with a bang! Various new projects and one new class were introduced to Troy High School students.

English Composition II was added to the schedule of dual credit classes. It was taught in the second semester of the 1995-1996 school year. Fifteen students dared to enter the unknown and join this new class.

"English Composition II is a very good class to take at the high school level. It gives all of the students the opportunity to prepare themselves for the college level and to get one of their college English classes out of the way," stated junior Lindsey Rosenberger, English Comp. II student.

Also in the Language department were English 9, 10, 11, and 12, Spanish, Advanced Spanish, English Composition I, and Publications.

Publications had a tough year due to computer and printer problems, but that did not keep the students from doing what they needed to do.

"This year I felt it was very difficult and nearly impossible to get my layouts and stories done on time. With the use of only three computers, it was a struggle to even get a computer to type on!" exclaimed senior Mandy Robinson.

Publications wasn't the only class in language arts that the problems affected. The research class during the second quarter also had serious problems due to this. The students' research papers, which make their entire grade for the quarter, could not be printed because of the lack of working printers.

"Not having computers or printers wasn't very convenient because people who didn't have computers at home were out of luck because they didn't have enough time to do their report and to make their deadline," commented Kami Barnthson, research student.

Luckily, the two Spanish classes made it through the year without computer and printer troubles. The classes did various projects dealing with Mexican and Spanish geography, history, and vocabulary. They also played games which helped them to learn some of the Spanish language. The Advanced Spanish class read a novel in Spanish to help improve their vocabulary and understanding of the Spanish culture, while the Spanish I class developed posters of one specific Hispanic country to improve their geography knowledge.

Even through all of the problems, the students within the language department just let the stress slide off their backs and kept their heads up.

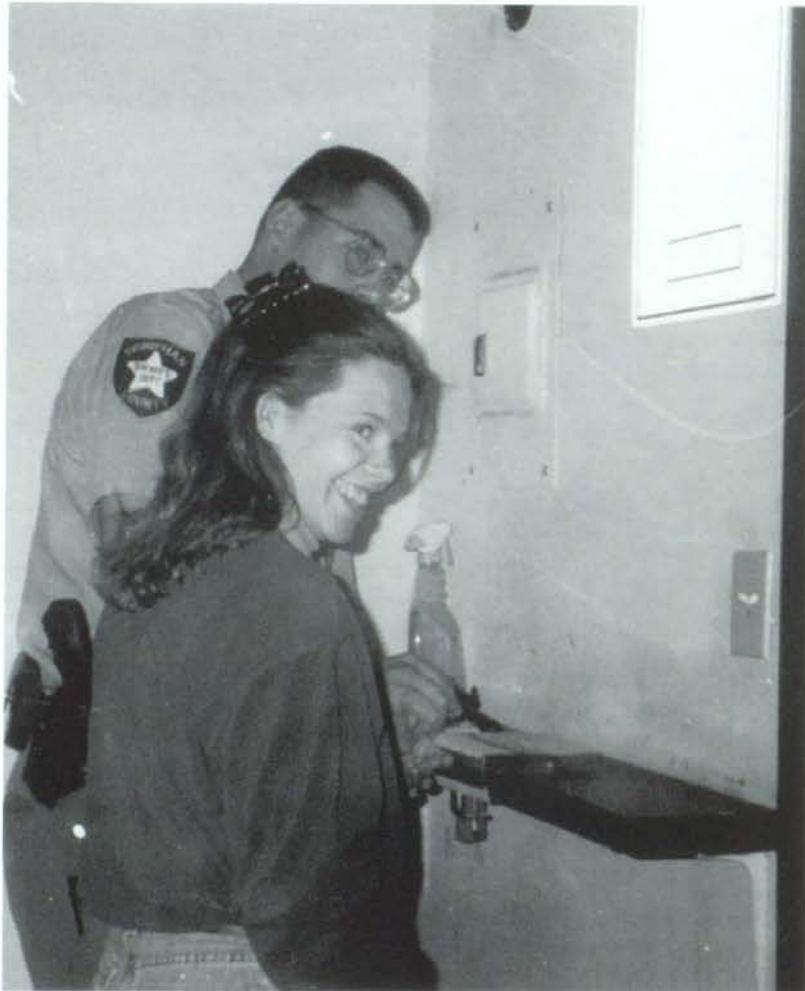
Becky Boaz concentrates intently on sending e-mail to different schools with the help of Mr. Bruce Reynolds. Becky was a legislator in The Electronic Model Congress project the government class participated in second semester. Photo by Renee Scholz.



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I know a lot more about history than I ever did before!-
Pearl Stewart

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Mandie Loroff smiles wickedly as she is being finger printed at the Troy Police Department for County Government Day. She was one of the nineteen students that joined the County Government Day's activities. Photo by Jaimie Hartter.

Adjusting the lines on the map, April Hiemer tries to make the map of South America look more like the country's outline. Geography students made the map out of yarn to see how accurate they were at finding places on a map. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

We learn more about ourselves from the past

Students journey around the world

Andrew Clary and Errica Stanton give their current event reports on the cause and effects of high school dropouts. The students were required to research and write their reports on a current problem in the U.S. or world. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Christy Gibson, Tim Uplinger, and Kristy Clary work together on their quiz in World History. Working together as a group was a new idea implemented in the class. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

Around the world in 180 days could aptly describe the social sciences department. From modern times to the past, each class learned a little more about the world around them.

Current Events was taught by Mr. Frank Davis. This class witnessed modern events firsthand. They watched CNN every day and had current event questions on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Mr. Derek Jasper was a student teacher for this class.

Government was a required class for the seniors. It was instructed by Mr. Bruce Reynolds. The seniors learned about the history of the American government and fundamentals of passing a bill for the first semester, and in the second semester were able to have hands-on experience with passing a bill. They participated in The Electronic Model Congress. They were responsible for coming up with a bill and earning support from others in order to pass it. It was time consuming, but it was valuable in showing the students how the American government actually works. The students were also able to participate in a county government day later on in the year.

"I think that learning about our government is important because now that we are getting older it's our responsibility to take part in government issues," commented Megan Miner.

Stars and stripes forever was one of the themes of American History. It was taught by Mr. Lyle Rockey. This class was required for juniors, and they learned how America began and how the U.S. managed to remain an independent country. Mr. Eric Mitchell was a student teacher for Mr. Rockey's classes.

Nancy Mitchell said, "I really enjoyed studying World War II."

World History took students back to the days of the Greeks, Romans, and Egyptians. It was taught by Mr. Rockey.

"I think by taking World History it allows us to learn more about the world around us," said sophomore Tim Uplinger.

Geography took its students on a whirlwind trip around the world. Students traveled to such places through their books, as Africa, Southeast Asia, China, Japan, Australia, Latin and South America, and the Middle East with the help of Mr. Rockey.

"I think by taking Geography that people will have more of an idea where countries are at," explained freshman Christy Stahl.

Most students were of the mind that history teaches us not only of the past, but a little about ourselves.

Students prepare for the future

Math . . . business . . . computers. What do all these have in common? They are classes that involve much mental power. With the new block schedule, this sometimes can be more than a person can handle. However, most students go through the challenge of taking these classes, so they can use this knowledge in the "real" world.

THS saw some new arrivals in this department. Miss Kathy Kasselmann, who taught computers, keyboarding, and accounting, was joined by Miss Christina Michels, who taught transition math. Miss Michels accepted another job in mid-year, and was replaced by Miss Michelle de la Torre.

Kyle McConnaughey said, "I think Miss Michels and Miss de la Torre did a good job in preparing transition math students for algebra."

Geometry, taught by Mr. Steve Thompson, was a class added to the curriculum. This class ran into a problem when there were twice as many students as books. This was remedied and THS students could finally get down to the business of learning theorems, postulates, and proofs.

"Geometry is cool! I like it better than any other math class. Mr. Thompson helps by making it fun and interesting to learn," said Sarah Boeh. The students made paper airplanes, played games, and constructed models which made geometry a little bit easier to learn.

Micro-computer applications, also taught by Mr. Thompson, was offered for the first time as a dual-credit course during the first semester.

"Mandie Loroff and I had a lot of fun racing each other to see which one of us would get done first. We were so talented that we got done before everyone else. I have to say that I was finished before Mandie was!" laughed Julie Boeh.

Miss Cheryl Koelsch taught College Algebra during the second semester. College Algebra is just another step up from Algebra II with a little bit of trigonometry thrown in. However, since it is a class that is required in college, many students preferred to take it in high school, receive dual-credit, and be done with it.

Michael Grable stated, "College Algebra is kind of hard, but I think I will have to use it later, and I won't have to take it as a freshman in college. I'll be one up on everyone."

On the business end, business law was a class offered only to juniors and seniors. It incorporated school learning with circumstances relevant to the outside world. Mr. Bruce Reynolds taught the students how to look carefully into contracts.

"Business law is relevant to the outside world. All this I think will carry over when I go outside of high school," said senior Sherry Duncan.

General business dealt with the general management of funds. This was also taught by Mr. Reynolds, as was economics.

Mr. Darrel Wapp taught agricultural business management. This class basically incorporated the agricultural aspect of life with the business end.

"I think that these classes will help us understand future technology," said Melissa Campbell.

Right: Computers can be perplexing at times, as Christy Stahl asks Mr. Thompson a question relating to the class. Photo by Renee Scholz.

Below: Flying airplanes was a fun way to learn about angles in geometry, as Kelly Dishon and Regina Huff find out. Geometry was a class that was mostly taken by sophomores and juniors. Photo by Renee Scholz.



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I think that the classes at Troy are important for future education and jobs.-Chris Hoverson

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“Do you need any help?” Miss de la Torre asks freshmen Linda Feek, Amy King, and Larissa Handley. Miss de la Torre taught these students Transition Math, which was a modified version of algebra. Photo by Renee Scholz.

Learning the fundamentals of keyboarding, Suzie Oyerly and Katie Culp practice their new-found skills. Freshmen were required to take this class. Miss Kasselmann was instrumental in instructing the freshman these skills. Photo by Renee Scholz.



Above: “Your debits should equal your credits!” was a phrase that was familiar to the ears of Andy Bramlage, as he concentrates on his accounting. This class was taught by Miss Kathy Kasselmann. Photo by Renee Scholz.

Getting to know their lab instruments for chemistry are Kristina Hell, Renee Scholz, and Alissa Durbin. In the background Noelle Oyler patiently watches while teacher Kevin McNorton observes. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Environmental Science added to science department

Classes do more activities

The science department did many experiments throughout the year. They did different labs that fit what the students were studying about. The classes that made up the science department were biology, chemistry, college biology, environmental science, and anatomy.

The biology class did many projects on various subjects. Some of these subjects included chromosomes, genetics, probability, and the effects of acid rain on seed growth.

"I'm sure that biology will help me in the future. Although I don't plan on becoming a scientist in the near future, but it is still interesting!" said Amy King, freshman.

The chemistry class graphed the periodic table and did chemical analyses. The chemistry class was a very large class because of new scheduling.

"We would have liked to have been in a smaller chemistry class so we could get more attention from Mr. McNorton but we understand that this is the last possible year for the juniors to take chemistry, so we just grin and bear it," commented Nancy Mitchell.

College biology and environmental science were both semester classes. The first semester schedule held college biology. The college biology class worked on animal kingdom projects and learned all about the development

of the human race.

Environmental science was a new class added to the second semester of the science department's schedule. The environmental science class took a field trip to the sewage treatment plant in St. Joseph, Missouri. This trip was taken in order to show the students some of the things that effect our environment. Justin Johnson thought the trip was very educational.

"The field trip was very entertaining. It was well worth the time it took from our class. It was educational and fun at the same time. The only thing bad about the trip was the terrible smell!" commented Justin.

The anatomy classes did two different labs in order to help them learn the anatomy of mammals. These classes got to do a special senses lab using different foods to test the students' five senses. They also had the chance to dissect fetal pigs.

"This project (the fetal pig experiment) was a very good one because it helped us to learn the anatomy of mammals through 'hands-on' experience! It helped us also to learn the development process," commented Jeremy Prawl.

Mr. McNorton had this to say about the year: "It was a good year. I had big classes and more activities to give the students."

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The best part of taking science classes is doing all of the experiments!!-Suzie Oyerly

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Middle left: Adam Clary opens the plastic bag in which his fetal pig lies, while Aaron Clary watches. This project was done by the anatomy class during the second semester. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Below: Andy Bramlage weighs his chemicals and fires up the burner for his chemistry experiment. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Crystallizing barium chloride is Larry Huff. The chemistry class did this experiment to test the water content of this chemical. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Kami Barnthson and Amy Keller curiously watch as Mr. Kevin McNorton shows them how to dissect their group's fetal pig. Photo by Keith Hinds.

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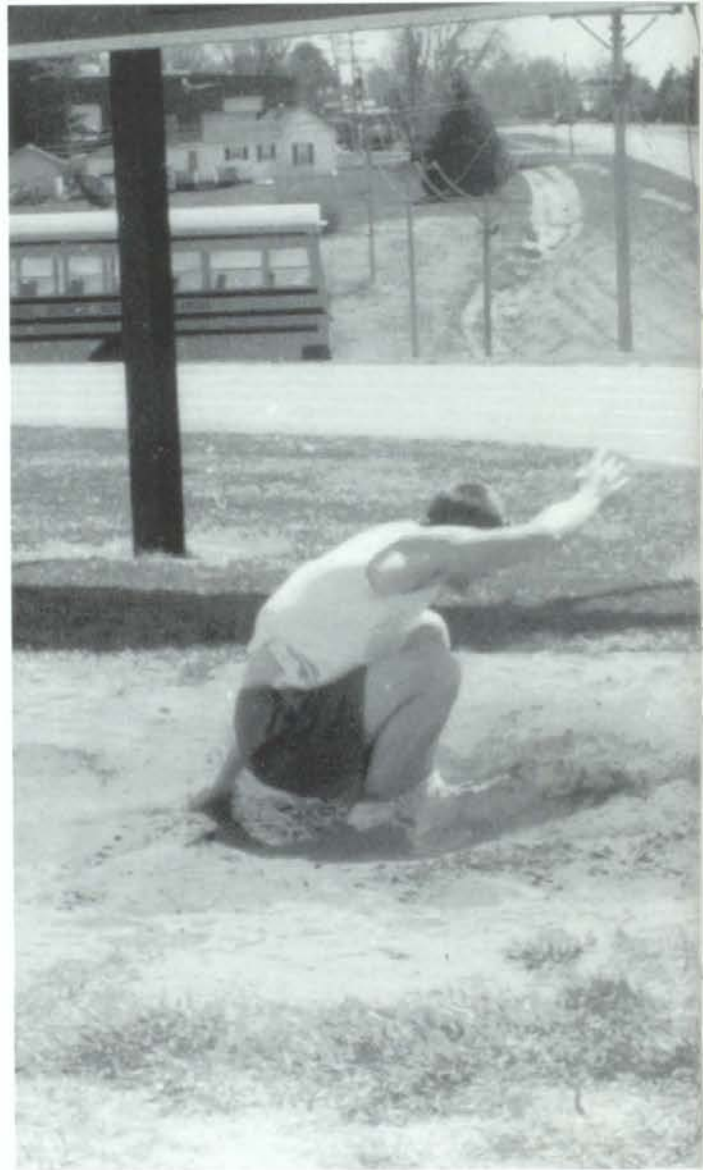
I really enjoyed this year in Vo-ag; especially the FFA activities.-
Andy Bramlage

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Below: Sarah Geiger and Andy Bramlage water plants in ag class. They started growing the plants from cuttings and sold them in the spring as hanging baskets. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Top: Kyle McConnaughey and Matt Langford team up to play a game of badminton in their freshman P.E. class. Freshmen are required to take physical education their first year of high school. Photo by Renee Scholz.



Craig Scholz takes a flying leap into the sand. The recreational P.E. class had to take physical fitness tests at the beginning and the end of the year, and the long jump was just one of the many tests. Photo by Jaimi Harter.

"I hope this thing will work." Damon Shelton concentrates carefully on making his go-cart for his Advanced Ag Mechanics class. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Tim Uplinger works carefully on his bowl on the wood lathe. He was in the Industrial Arts 2 class which was instructed by Mr. Benny Rice. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



It's time to get active

New teacher comes to THS

Many students wanted to take classes that got them out of the classroom and into more active things. By taking vo-ag, industrial arts, and physical education, the students were able to do just that.

Industrial Arts I, Industrial Arts 2, and Advanced Industrial Arts were under the direction of Mr. Benny Rice. Mr. Rice was new to the program, as he took over the position previously held by Mr. Fred Folsche. These students learned mechanical drawing (learning how to draw three-dimensional figures,) for the first half of the year, and then moved on to making projects of their own. They were allowed to pick out anything they wanted to make, provided that they were able to make it.

P.J. Smith remarked, "I thought the class was fun. The teacher was cool, and I liked being able to pick out what I wanted to make."

Damon Shelton said, "I thought it was nice to have a teacher like Mr. Rice who was fresh out of college."

Advanced Ag Mechanics and Intro to Ag were taught by Mr. Darrell Wapp. Intro to Ag taught students the basics of welding. As part of this course, the students also had to learn how to prepare speeches, to present them in FFA activities.

Freshman P.E., recreational P.E., and Weights and Conditioning were all taught by Mr. Frank Davis. Basketball, volleyball, soccer, badminton, tennis, and track were some of the sports that the freshmen played. The freshmen not only learned about the physical aspects of their bodies, but also were required to listen to health lectures once a week to learn more about how their bodies functioned.

Freshman Alisha Benitz commented, "I'll always remember my freshman year of P.E. There were a lot of exciting things that happened during that class!" Recreational P.E. was offered to older students. They basically played the same sports that the freshmen played.

Jeremy Prawl, sophomore, explained, "We did sports that would help us stay fit when we are older."

Weights was another class that was offered as part of the physical education program. The students learned how to condition their bodies and the proper way to lift the weights.

Overall, the students enjoyed these classes where they could get out of the classroom. They were able to enrich their minds from more than just academic activities.

Preparing for the real world helps everyone

Home Ec. keeps everyone busy

Students liked to break away from the three basic fields of reading, writing, and arithmetic. Most students found themselves wanting to prepare themselves for the future by taking any of Mrs. Anna Goss's classes.

Home Ec I was a beginning sewing class. Throughout the year, projects such as boxers, simple dresses, aprons, stuffed animals, and school bags were made. Everyone was given a choice of what he or she wanted to make.

Home Ec II was a class that taught students about foods and nutrition. A class trip was taken to Ryan's cafeteria in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Heath Whetstine commented, "I really enjoyed the class. My favorite dessert that we made was angel food cake. It was very fun to make, and rewarding to eat. Making casseroles was my least favorite project we did. They were not as fun and more complicated to put together."

A class that rotated from cooking to sewing every nine weeks was Independent Living. Pillows, bags, and little stuffed animals were made as projects.

"Independent Living was a very fun class. My favorite part of the class was the cooking. Making the candied carmeled apples is what I liked best, along with eating them," stated Pearl Stewart.

Family Living was a class offered only to seniors to help get them ready for marriage and family. Some of the projects the class did were refinishing furniture, making doll houses, foreign cookery, making their own wedding books, putting on a mock wedding, and making an environmental flag to hang uptown at the gazebo as well as other projects.

Jeff Drake commented, "The class was a very good experience for me. It helped me realize what it will be like when I get married and start to have my own family. It was a real fun year!"



Viewing the beautiful landscaping of the Haderway House are Lacey Thomas, and Jaimie Hartter. Photo by Anna Goss.

The class took a trip to the Haderway House in Lancaster during the fall. The owners, Mike and Connie Emery, remodeled the Victorian house themselves and made it an English Tea Room as well as their home. Outside the house was a gazebo, swan pond with a surrounding walkway, a pool, and a lifesized doll house. This was the last year for tours.

Students realized their Home Ec classes were fun, yet rewarding!



Freshman Kristin Kinsey finishes up with her last seam on her outfit. She is in the Home Ec. I class. Photo by Renee Scholz.



Students serving at the mock-wedding are Alissa Durban, Jamie Christenson, and Stephanie Cook. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.

Showing disappointment are Jamie Christenson, Shanna Wright, Sarah Geiger, Kristln Kinsey, and Nicole Kinsey. The Missouri Fiber Artist Traveling Exhibit was closed. Photo by Anna Goss.

Proceeding down the isle are Candy Higley and Pat Stamper. Attendants are Mandy Robinson, Amy Moore, Ashley Weis, Annie Jensen, Damon Shelton, Heath Whetstine, Auten Huss, and Craig Scholz. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



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I feel Home Economic classes are useful. They help you with future living. — Staci Schultz
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Sarah Geiger, a Home Ec. 1 student, patiently tries to adjust her dress so she can manage to get all the wrinkles out of it. Next she will be sewing all the pieces together to finish her outfit. This is Sarah's second year in Home Ec. Photo by Renee Scholz.

Left: Jaimie Hartter, Amy Moore, Lacey Thomas, Lindsay Christenson, Tabitha Gibson, and Damon Shelton begin work on one of the dollhouses they constructed as one of the projects in Family Living. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Jaimie Hartter signs her name to the membership list for National Honor Society while Megan Miner waits for her turn. The National Honor Society was sponsored by Counselor Nick Dannevik. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Robert Robinson delivers a major dent to the car during the freshman class fundraiser, "car bash." The class charged \$.25 per hit. Photo by Keith Hinds.

Activities keep students busy

Groups give opportunity to get involved

There was rarely a dull moment for those students involved in the variety of activities offered at THS.

Quiz Bowl was a group that competed against other teams. It gave students the opportunity to use knowledge gained in the areas of math, science, social sciences, fine arts, languages, current events, and sports to win matches and meets.

Student council gave members experience in

Staci Schultz restocks a shelf at John's Market. Staci worked at John's during the school year. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



leadership. Student council was an elected group with the primary purpose of serving the student body and the community.

"I think the best thing we did was the toy drive (which was also a class competition) because it got the entire class to do something for a good cause," said junior representative Sam Reust.

FFA was a very active group. They participated in many contests which gave the students knowledge and practice in the agricultural field.

Jaylon Ashburn commented, "I enjoyed going to contests and meeting new friends and getting to see old ones."

GCTL and Kayettes were both community service organizations. GCTL centered on teaching young people about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. Kayettes focused more on doing things for the community. They donated money to the Wathena Nursing Home. The Kayettes also took a shopping trip, which many members enjoyed.

Two other organizations had membership determined by students' accomplishments. These were National Honor Society and Quill and Scroll.

The National Honor Society also participated in community service activities, one of which was a very successful blood drive.

Here we got involved.



Working on the assembly line for the newsletter are Candy Higley, Tabitha Gibson, Nancy Mitchell, Regina Huff, and Jaimie Hartter. Due to some problems with the printing company, the class was required to assemble the newsletter. Photo by Keith Hinds.



Amy Moore and Mandy Robinson decide what snacks to have at the Christmas party. The Christmas activities were organized by the student council. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

Activities Division

Layout by **Mandie Loroff and Candy Higley**



1995-96 Quiz Bowl members are, seated: Bryan Salisbury, Rebecca Boaz, Mandie Loroff, Candy Higley, and Tabitha Gibson. Standing: Suzie Oyerly, Clint Peden, Andy Bramlage, Jared Cash, Regina Huff, and Julie Boeh. The team had a lot of fun going to the few meets that they were able to attend and they learned much more about the history of the world at those meets. Most of the team are seniors and will be leaving several places to fill. Photo by Bray



Serving Thanksgiving dinner to the students are Stuco members Shane Akers and Tyler Whestine. The Stuco members served dinner to the Middle School and High School. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Students stay involved

Clubs, organizations give opportunities

Throughout the year, three different groups, Quiz Bowl, Student Council, and Kayettes, have done many activities.

The Quiz Bowl team attended only three meets because the weather was a big problem. At the meets the team was able to attend, the JV team did very well, placing second and third at two of the meets.

The team also competed at the High-Q meet in Topeka on the Washburn campus. High-Q was the largest meet in Kansas. Out of 30 schools that competed, Troy's team was in the middle of the pack. Everyone that competed at the High-Q meet received a free t-shirt.

"Our team did a lot better this year and it was a good learning experience for me," commented Andy Bramlage.

Student council was also an active group.

1995-96 Kayette members are Front Row: Chris Hoverson, Amy Keller, Nicole Kinsey, Tabitha Gibson, Nancy Mitchell, Lacey Thomas, Sherry Duncan, Annie Jensen, Katie Culp; Row 2: Christy Stahl, Christy Gibson, Shanna Wright, Candy Higley, Mandie Loroff, Kelly Dishon, Kelli Simmons, Jill Wiedmer, Jamie Wykert, Mandy Robinson, Mrs. Israel; Row 3: Noelle Oyler, Kristin Kinsey, Sandi Nelson, Stephanie Cook, Jenny Ford, Sarah Boeh, Rebecca Boaz, Julie Boeh, Christy Stewart, Staci Schultz, Laura Ford, Sarah Geiger; Row 4: Marietta Wood, Betsy Schultz, Jamie Christenson, Kristina Drake, April Hiemer, Lindsay Christenson, Regina Huff, Suzie Oyerly; Row 5: Allisha Benitz, Megan Boeh, Amy Moore, Lindsey Rosenberger, Jennifer Engemann. Photo by Bray.



They hosted the Thanksgiving dinner for the high school and middle school students. The StuCo members were also in charge of decorating for Homecoming and Queen of Courts.

Student council used a new technique to boost school spirit. Each class competed against the others in various activities to earn points toward a pizza party over the noon hour at the end of school. Some of the activities included carving pumpkins at Halloween, collecting toys for the Christmas toy drive, and the highest GPA.

The Kayette organization is based on different types of service to the school and the community.

To start with, the group donated money to the rest home in Wathena as their community service project for the year. The group held their annual Secret Sister gift exchange at Christmas and Valentine's Day. The girls also went on their annual shopping trip to Independence Center.

"I feel that it is a great organization for our high school girls and it promotes good community service," stated Sarah Geiger.

All three groups got the students involved in the activities during the school year.



1995-96 Kayette Board members are seated: Noelle Oyler, Lindsey Rosenberger, Nancy Mitchell, President; Candy Higley, Mandie Loroff. Standing: Renee Scholz, Secretary/Treasurer; Sandi Nelson, Mrs. Israel, sponsor; Amy Moore, Vice-President; Staci Schultz, and Megan Boeh. Photo by Bray.

"I really enjoyed being in student council this year. I learned a lot of leadership qualities that will be useful to me in the future," explained Shane Akers.

Quiz Bowl, Student Council, Kayettes

Layout by Nancy Mitchell

Farmers and leaders

Leadership qualities shine through

The FFA and GCTL were both leadership groups involving many students.

GCTL was the Government Council for Teen Leadership. The GCTL was a group that went to the grade school classrooms and talked to the students about saying no to drugs and alcohol and also about leadership opportunities.

"The GCTL planned to have fundraisers throughout the year, but due to the lack of time and effort we didn't get to have any," commented Lindsey Rosenberger.

The GCTL promoted good leadership qualities to the children of the community.

The Future Farmers of America chapter was very busy from the beginning of the year to the end.

The high point of the year was when two of the contest teams brought home 4th and 5th place finishes overall from state at Kansas State University.

The crops team placed fifth out of 36 teams at the state level. The team competed in three areas of the contest; one part was an ID exam, another part was grain grading, and the last part was seed analysis. The team consisted of three junior ag students Jill Wiedmer, Noelle Oyler, and Nancy Mitchell. The girls qualified for national contest, at

Purdue University.

The fourth-place team was in the entomology contest. The team had to identify various types of bugs and take an information test over where the bugs live and their habits. The team was made up of three sophomore ag students, Jeremy Prawl, Corey Kostman, and Kyle Thomas.

The chapter attended several other contests over the year. The members attended leadership school, public speaking contest, and the contests that the members were able to qualify in to go to the state contest. Some of the contests were crops, ag sales, meats, livestock, and entomology.

Both of these organizations showed the students the good leadership qualities that would help them to go far in life.

Waiting patiently for the results from leadership contest Jeremy Prawl, Kyle Thomas, Justin Engemann, and Dallas Keller are entertained by a card game. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

"Being in the FFA has helped me to learn a great deal about myself," stated sophomore Corey Kostman.

1995-96 FFA members are, Front row: Megan Boeh, Noelle Oyler, Reporter Nancy Mitchell, President Jeremy Grable, Treasurer Sarah Geiger, Secretary Jill Wiedmer, Sentinel Robert Robinson. Row 2: James Huss, Andy Bramlage, Derek Luedke, Nathan Geiger, P.J. Smith, Ryan Grable, Josh Fischer, Sarah Boeh, Aaron Davies, Harley Feek, Justin Engemann, Darrel Wapp advisor. Row 3: Travis Jenkins, Shane Peden, Bill Falk, Corey Smith, Jaylon Ashburn, Jeremy Prawl, Dallas Keller, Corey Kostman, Kyle Thomas. Photo by Bray.





Discussing their performance in the leadership contest, senior chapter officers Jeremy Grable and Robert Robinson stroll outside after their part at district leadership school is done. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

1995-96 GCTL members are, Front row: Jennifer Engemann, Travis Jenkins, Lindsay Christenson, Staci Schultz, Justin Johnson, Jeremy Grable, and Amy Moore. Row 2: Nick Dannevik, advisor, Renee Scholz, Kelli Simmons, Jill Wiedmer, Sam Reust, and Lindsey Rosenberger. The new members had to be selected by the former membership in the GCTL and they were asked to become members for the new school year. Photo by Bray.



Relaxing after competing in leadership contests, Andy Bramlage, Dallas Keller, Corey Kostman, Jeremy Prawl, Sarah Boeh, Jill Wiedmer, and Kyle Thomas, have a little fun on the playground. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Getting their cross country letters for the year from Coach Cash at the awards program are Larry Huff, Regina Huff, Brett Speaks, Allisha Benitz, Melissa Campbell, Megan Boeh, Sarah Boeh, Ryan Grable, and Jared Cash. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Receiving his letter from Coach Rice for being a member of the wrestling team is Jared Cash. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

1995-96 Quill and Scroll members are Mandie Loroff, Candy Higley, and Jennifer Engemann. Photo by Bray.



Students and clubs awarded for year

Academic achievement requires much effort

National Honor Society, Quill and Scroll, and the awards ceremony showed scholastic achievements made by the honor students.

National Honor Society is an elite group of honor students. These students were chosen according to their grade point average and resume of activities. The National Honor Society had a new sponsor, Counselor Nick Dannevik. National Honor Society sponsored a blood drive. Members had to call past donors as well as recruit new donors. Many NHS members donated their blood for the drive also, which was held at the Troy Catholic church.

National Honor Society also tutored students from the high school and middle school. NHS inducted the largest group ever known to Troy High School, 20 new members.

Mandie Loroff, NHS president, stated, "I think that the blood drive was a really good idea. It was easy and it got the community involved."

There were two ceremonies, one for the seniors and one for the rest of the student body.

Many awards were given to seniors. Jennifer Engemann received the Bill Foster Award for perseverance and spirit, and she also received Top Female Athlete. Mandie Loroff received the top senior speech award, and she also got the TEA Scholarship. Jeremy Grable and

Mandy Robinson received the Alumni Scholarship. Candy Higley was the recipient of the VFW Voice of Democracy Award. Travis Jenkins received the award for Top

Male Athlete. Benjy Cook and Amy Moore were the recipients for the KSH-SAA Citizenship Award. Thad Eylar and Craig Scholz each received an award for good attendance.

Regina Huff received the award for the top person in speech by overall points.

"Getting into Quill and Scroll is a very special honor. I was surprised that I was chosen because there were a lot of talented people," stated Regina Huff.

Quill and Scroll was an honorary society for high school journalists. To be a member, the students must have done outstanding work in journalism. Mrs. Martha Rockey was the advisor. Jennifer Engemann, Candy Higley, and Mandie Loroff were inducted their junior year and conducted the initiation ceremony. The new members were Larry Huff, Renee Scholz, and Jaimie Hartter for work on the yearbook. Regina Huff was inducted for her work on the newspaper. Lacey Thomas was inducted for her work as the business manager. The Quill and Scroll members' names will be recorded forever.

With a large number of new members, National Honor Society and Quill and Scroll began a new cycle of leaders for the school and community. The awards ceremonies were a point in time when students knew it was the end of the year and they could be proud of their accomplishments.

"I felt like the blood drive was a good activity for us to do. It gave us a chance to get together and actually feel like we were doing something," stated Kristina Drake.



Mrs. Rockey, Jennifer Engemann, Mandie Loroff, and Candy Higley had Quill and Scroll induction at the awards program. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



1995-96 National Honor Society members are: Seated: Benjy Cook, Candy Higley, Amy Moore, Mandie Loroff, Jennifer Engemann, Travis Jenkins, Rebecca Boaz. Row 2: Kelli Simmons, Renee Scholz, Noelle Oyler, Kelly Dishon, Sam Reust, Lindsey Rosenberger, Kristina Drake, Larry Huff, Jeremy Grable, Annie Jensen. Row 3: Sponsor Nick Dannevik, Jill Wiedmer, Julie Boeh, Regina Huff, and Patrick Drake. Photo by Bray.

Awards, Quill & Scroll, NHS

Layout by Nancy Mitchell and Noelle Oyler

WHAT'S 'IN' FOR

The murder trial of **O.J. Simpson** ended. Not guilty. It took the jury less than four hours to reach a verdict in the sensational trial that lasted eight months. The jury of 10 women and 2 men found that Simpson did not kill his former wife, Nicole Brown-Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman, in June, 1994. The trial twisted and turned through a maze of scientific evidence and dozens of expert witnesses.

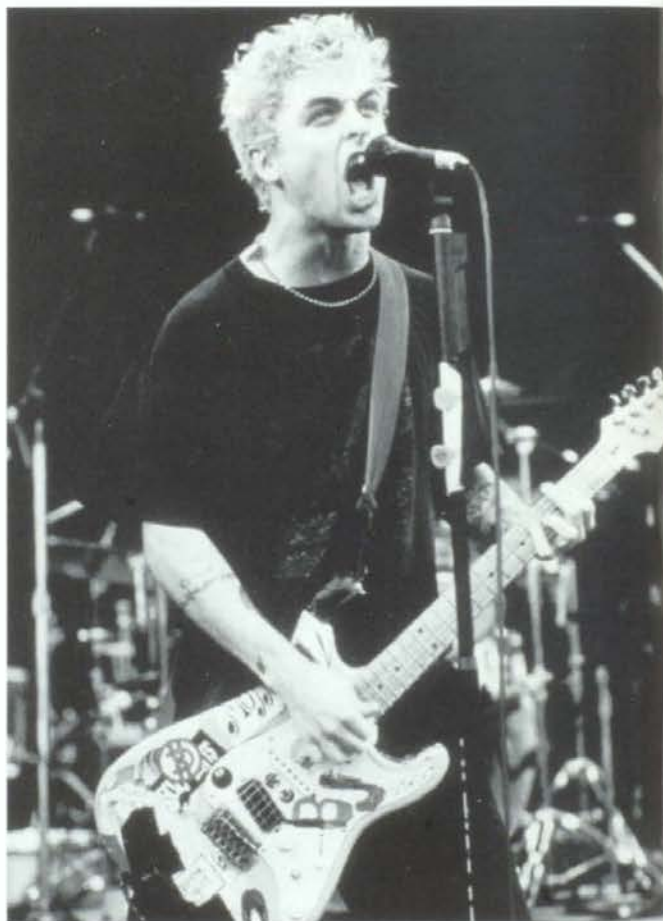


The Top 10 Movies at the Box Office were

1. Seven
2. Assassins
3. Dead Presidents
4. To Die For
5. . . . The American Quilt
6. The Big Green
7. Devil in a Blue Dress
8. Halloween 6
9. To Wong Foo
10. Showgirls

The Top 20 Singles in September, 1995 were

1. Fantasy Mariah Carey
2. Gangsta's Paradise Coolio
3. You Are Not Alone Michael Jackson
4. Kiss From A Rose Seal
5. Runaway Janet Jackson
6. Waterfalls TLC
7. I Can Love You Like That.. All-4-One
8. Only Wanna Be With You Hootie & The Blowfish
9. Boombastic Shaggy
10. As I Lay Me Down Sophie B. Hawkins
11. I Got 5 On It Luniz
12. Run-Around Blues Traveler
13. I Hate You
14. He's Mine Mokenstef
15. Colors Of The Wind Vanessa Williams
16. Roll To Me Del Amitri
17. Carnival Natalie Merchant
18. I'll Be There For You The Rembrandts
19. Brokenhearted Brandy
20. 1st Of Tha Month Bone Thugs-N-Harmony



Green Day hit the charts with "Insomniac," its second major-label release. The San Francisco trio unleashed whatever pent-up energy it managed to stockpile during the whirlwind of a year. One of the songs, "Panic Song," was as close to sheer pop-punk purity as you'll ever get.

What's "in" in 1995-1996

Trojan '96

1995 AND 1996

Timothy McVeigh is a well-guarded prisoner. He and one other man, Terry Nichols, were charged with 11 counts in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. The explosion April 19, 1995, killed 169 people and injured more than 500.

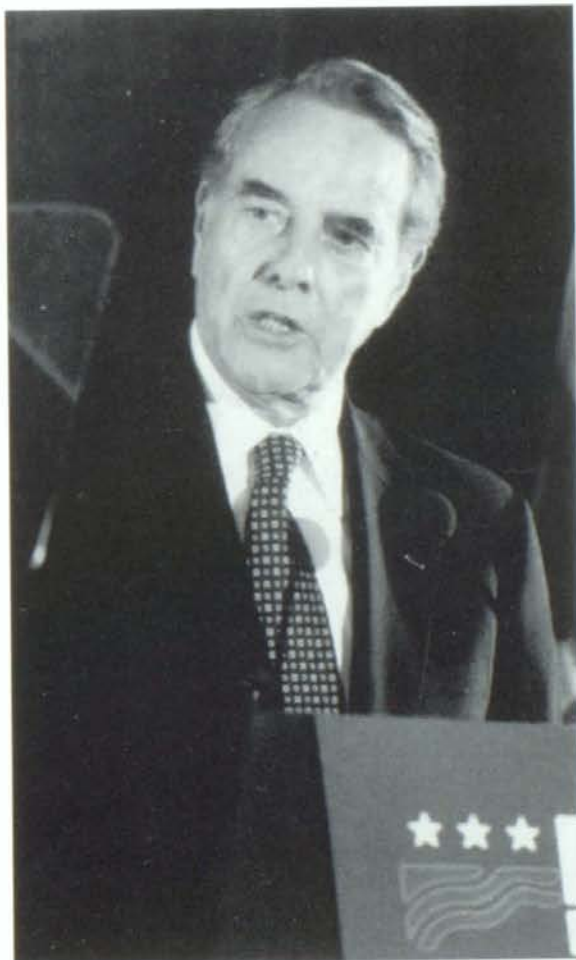


Baltimore Orioles shortstop **Cal Ripken** marched into the record books when he broke Lou Gehrig's record and played in 2,131 consecutive baseball games.

Ripken broke the record September 6 and went on to finish the season having played in 2,153 consecutive games—the last 70 of them without an error.



Top Left: Israeli Prime Minister **Yitzhak Rabin**, the war hero turned political leader who fearlessly pursued peace with the Palestinians, was assassinated November 4, 1995. He was 74 years old when he was gunned down after a political rally.



Left: **Sen. Bob Dole**, Republican from Kansas, wanted to be president of the United States. When school began in September, Dole, the Senate Majority Leader, was a leading conservative candidate. In May, Dole announced that he would resign his position in the Senate to concentrate on his presidential campaign. If he won this time, he would be older than any newly elected president.



Bottom Left: Triple Grammy winner **Sheryl Crow** and her band toured without a break since her debut in 1993. Every time they scheduled a break, the album zoomed up the charts. One of the reasons for the success was her vocal technique: a full, throaty timbre projecting every crystal-clear lyric with authority. She came alive on stage.

What's "In" In 1995-1996

Layout by **Mandle Loroff and Candy Higley**

Spare time?

Jobs, hobbies keep students busy after hours

A day in the life of a student was very hectic. School and extra-curricular activities consumed much time, as did work and hobbies. While many students contributed long hours to school and practice, they still seemed to find time for other activities.

It was a rare occasion to find students with much time on their hands. Students chose to fill the extra time with a variety of things. Having an after-school and weekend job was very common.

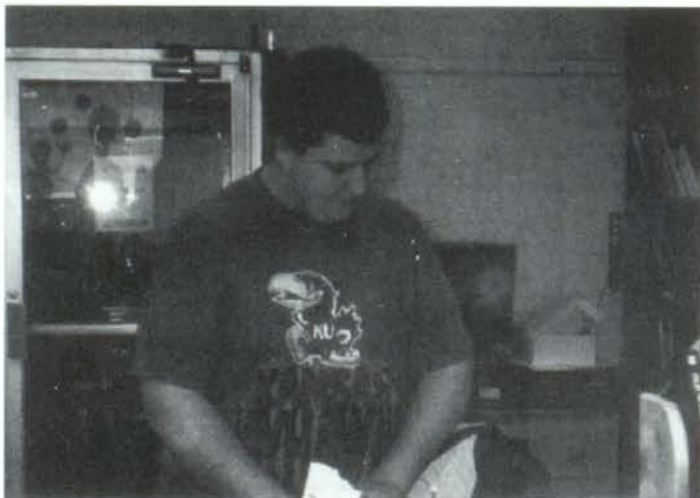
Jill Wiedmer stated, "I work at Fleek's Market on the weekends. I really like it because I get to work with a lot of my friends and it's also neat because I am related to several of the other employees."

Some students had local jobs, which made it easier to juggle with other activities. The students seemed to always be in a rush. Local jobs made it easier to work in the evenings even though the students had homework and other activities.

Noelle Oyler stated, "Working in a local business was really convenient. It saved a lot of time because I didn't have to spend a lot of time driving."

Though many students enjoyed the convenience of a local job, several students traveled to neighboring towns to work. Jobs were rather scarce in the Troy community so getting a job in other towns was a good idea in some cases.

James Huss busily checks in books at the Troy library. James volunteered to work at the library after school. Photo by: Tabitha Gibson



Weekend jobs were easier to handle when you had to travel out of town.

"I worked at the country club in St. Joe as a lifeguard and it really wasn't too tough since I didn't have to drive on school days when I had other things to do," explained Regina Huff.

Other students tried to avoid the "all work, no play" approach by taking on hobbies.

"I like to play the guitar in my spare time. It is fun and a really unique hobby," commented Larry Huff.

Some popular hobbies were swimming, rollerblading, and tennis during warm weather, while skiing, sledding, and ice skating were enjoyed during cold weather. Cruising and attending movies were common all year.

Lindsey Rosenberger said, "I play school sports, so when I get free time I don't take it for granted."

"I work at the YMCA in Atchison as a lifeguard and swim instructor during the summer and occasionally during the school year." — Renee Scholz



Tabitha Gibson works at John's Market. Tabitha is seen running the cash register after school. Photo by: Staci Schultz

Staci Schultz stays busy loading the marking gun. Staci worked at John's Market. Photo by: Tabitha Gibson

Working on the computer at the Troy library is Andy Bramlage. Andy worked after school and Saturdays. Photo by: Tabitha Gibson



Making ice cream is just one of Kelli Simmons's duties at the Troy Fast Lane. Photo by Tabitha Gibson



Preparing a balloon at the Village Cart is Christy Gibson. Photo by Tabitha Gibson

Kelly Dishon fills the pop machine with ice at the Troy Fast Lane. Photo by Tabitha Gibson

Spare Time

Layout by Kelly Dishon

F

ads apparent at Troy High

Every year, somewhere there is a new trend starting.

One popular fad was the baby doll t-shirt. It was a trend brought back from the 70's. Baby doll tees are cut smaller than regular tees and usually carry a popular logo such as a heart. Many girls wore them with jeans, short skirts, and shorts.

Lindsey Rosenberger stated, "They are really cute, and they are dressy and yet comfortable."

Another fad was windpants and another was Nike hats. They were popular with both sexes. Windpants were a comfortable way to be fashionable.

Hats were another popular fashion. They ranged from agriculture, to sports, to namebrand logos like Nike.

Heath Whetstine said, "I like the hats; I have a few myself."

Mossimo t-shirts, Mossimo sweatshirts, and shirts with jean collars were also very popular. The Mossimo shirts had clear words or fuzzy words on the back, like "Stop or you'll go blind."

Travis Jenkins said, "I think the Mossimo t-shirts are cool and so are the other fads, even though I think people will stop wearing them."

The jean-collared shirts were worn by gals and guys. They were an easy-going fashion to relax in. These shirts were usually worn with jeans but some students did like to dress them up.

"I like the jean-collared shirts. They look nice on," stated Kelli Simmons.

One of the most popular fads was for the girls. From Mary Janes to tennis shoes, thick-heeled shoes were a new trend everywhere. They came in a variety of colors and heels. Heels ran from one-and-a-half to four inches tall. Some shoes were laced, others buckled, and others slipped on. They were worn with jeans, long skirts, short skirts, or shorts.

Alissa Durbin explained, "I really like these shoes; this fad might stay around for a while."

With all of these fads and how easily they came and went, students managed to stay in style.



A fad was jean-collared shirts. Row 1: Sherry Duncan, Kelly Dishon, Mandy Robinson, Jennifer Engemann, Row 2: Shane Peden, Jill Wiedmer, Justin Johnson, Kami Barnthson, Amy Moore, Lindsay Christenson, and Nicole Kinsey model different styles. Photo by Bray.

A popular trend for the guys was hats. Front Row: Keith Hinds, Thad Eylar, Pat Drake, Bill Falk, and Shane Peden. Row 2: Damon Shelton, Robert Robinson, and Jaylon Ashburn enjoy wearing their favorite hats to school. Photo by Bray.

A popular trend was thick-heeled shoes. Jill Wiedmer, Mandie Loroff, Rebecca Boaz, Christy Stewart, Nicole Kinsey, Mandy Robinson, Amy Moore, Amy Keller, Tabitha Gibson, and Renee Scholz wear a variety of them. Photo by Bray.



Tim Uplinger, Sam Reust, and Kelli Simmons wear their favorite Mossimo shirts. Photo by Bray.

Trojan girls like the baby doll tees. Allisha Benitz, Kristin Kinsey, Katie Culp, Sherry Duncan, Amy Moore, Jennifer Engemann, Kelly Dishon, and Kelli Simmons wear them in many different ways. Photo by Bray.

Coach Don Cash gives the football team a pep talk during the Homecoming pep rally. The dogpile represented playing as a team. Photo Tabitha Gibson.



Amy Moore is changing her clothes for basketball practice. To prepare for games they practiced after school every day. Photo by Jennifer Engema

Trojan athletics keep the spirit high

Feeling of 'team' proves to be successful

Students and fans cheered as Trojan athletic teams captured more than one DVL championship.

The cheerleaders attended an NCA camp at which they learned different techniques to keep spirit up. The cheerleaders used these cheers, chants, stunts, and routines at games and at the late night pep rallies, to which the community was invited.

Spirit in the school, as well as in the community, was high and stayed high through each successful season.

Jennifer Engemann smiles as she receives a kiss and flowers from Benjy Cook after she was crowned Homecoming Queen. Photo by Kay Engemann.



Each team was a "team." They practiced as a team, they played as a team, and they lived as a team.

"A team that won't be beat, can't be beat, and you can't beat a team of sisters."

That saying was heard before every girls' varsity basketball game and could be read on a poster that was hung in the gym.

It was this feeling of "team" that allowed for success. It helped the football and volleyball teams earn the honor of DVL championships.

This feeling of "team" also earned the boys' basketball team second place in the DVL tournament. It also took both the boys' and girls' cross country teams to state.

"Being part of a team means that you can rely on others to help you. It's not just you out there on your own," explained Keith Hinds, a member of the football team.

A new sport was also introduced at Troy—wrestling. The Troy team and the Wathena team combined to make one team. This provided for an interesting situation. The team practiced together, but competed against each other. The grapplers made their mark as a Troy team.

"The practices are a lot easier than I thought they would be. It is a lot of fun," said Kyle McConnaughey.

Throughout the year the Trojans had a positive attitude going into games. "Here we are."



Heath Whetstine sits still as Craig Scholz cuts his hair. Cutting their hair was a tradition every Monday before a basketball game. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



The girls' cross country team really stacks up. They finished sixth at the state meet in Wamego. Photo by Kay Engemann.

S

pirit continues throughout the year

Practicing cheers, chants, and jumps and going to all the games. That is just part of a cheerleader's life.

It all started with tryouts in the spring of '95. The girls had to learn a cheer, a chant, and three jumps. The judges looked for a clear, sharp voice, sharp movements and actions, how high jumps were, facial expressions, and if the girls were having a good time. The girls who best met these criteria became the 1995-96 cheerleaders.

The fall cheerleaders cheered at all football and volleyball games. Along with learning the cheers for the games, they also performed two routines. They had a fundraiser at the Atchison Air show selling lemonade and cookies to help pay for their uniforms and camp. The football cheerleaders had to put up with the cold weather. To keep warm the girls often wore gloves, leggings, sweats, and sometimes coats.

Fall cheerleaders were Mandie Loroff, co-captain; Renee Scholz, co-captain; Candy Higley, Jennifer Engemann, Lindsey Rosenberger, Alisha Benitz, Betsy Schultz, and Stephanie Cook.

The playoff game against Onaga was Halloween, so to get into the spirit of the night, as well as to show spirit for the team, the cheerleaders painted their faces blue and white.

Senior Candy Higley was on both fall and winter cheerleading squads, "It's a lot of fun being on both squads but it gets hectic going to all the games."

The basketball cheer squad cheered at all varsity games and performed two routines. Cheering for basketball can be dangerous. They had to be on guard at all times and watch out for flying basketballs, referees, and players.

"The referees are the most dangerous of all because they are in a hurry and they tend to push us out of the way," stated Marietta Wood.

Winter cheerleaders were captain Candy Higley, Christy Gibson, Stephanie Cook, Marietta Wood, and Larissa Handley, Betsy Schultz, and Alisha Benitz.

The cheerleaders had a new sponsor, Nikki Scholz-Hamre; she was a college cheerleader so she was able to teach the girls many new cheers and routines.

" Since she was a Missouri Western cheer-

leader, Nikki was really able to help us since she knew a lot about cheering," commented Lindsey Rosenberger.

"I had a lot of fun cheering with Nikki this year," said Stephanie Cook; "I feel that she really helped me."

Even though cheerleading takes a lot of work the girls had fun.

Showing their spirit are freshmen Betsy Schultz and Larissa Handley. Photo by Kathy Kasselmann



Entertaining the crowd at McLouth are, Front Row, Larissa Handley; Row 2: Candy Higley, Christy Gibson; Row 3: Alisha Benitz, Betsy Schultz. Photo by Kathy Kasselmann.

Performing a routine at halftime to "Freak" are, Front Row, Allisha Benitz, Lindsey Rosenberger. Row 2: Mandie Loroff, Renee Scholz, Jennifer Engemann. Row 3: Candy Higley, Stephanie Cook, Betsy Schultz. Photo by Nikki Hamre.



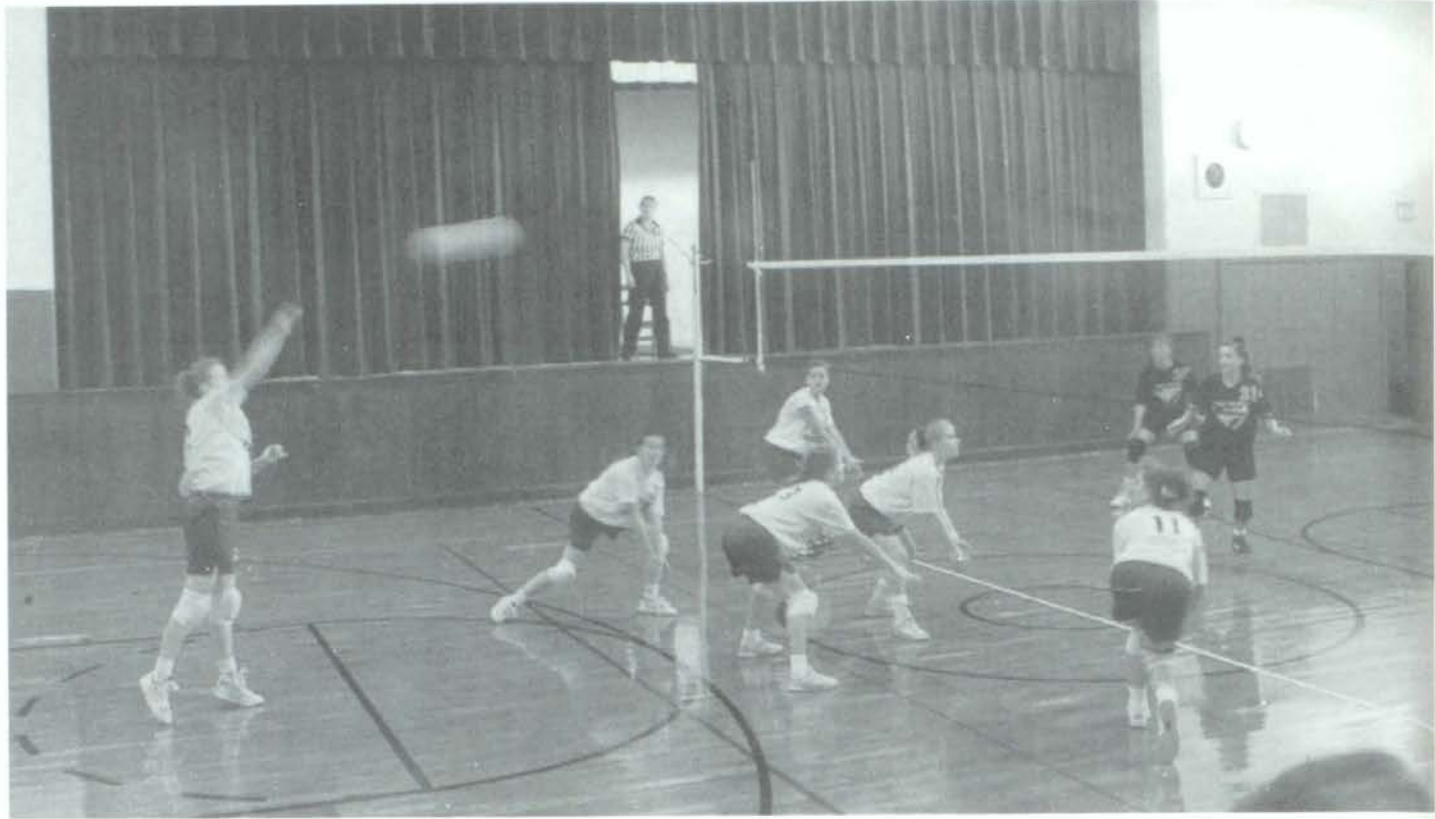
1995-96 Winter Cheerleaders are sitting: Christy Gibson; standing: Stephanie Cook, Candy Higley, Larissa Handley; top row: Marietta Wood, Allisha Benitz, Betsy Schultz. Photo by Bray.

1995-96 Fall Cheerleaders are Front Row: Mandie Loroff, Jennifer Engemann, Lindsey Rosenberger, Renee Scholz; Row 2: Betsy Schultz, Stephanie Cook, Candy Higley; Row 3: Allisha Benitz. Photo by Nikki Hamre.

Cheerleading

Layout by Nancy Mitchell

As Amy Moore hits the ball to Centralia, the other Lady Trojans drop into their defensive coverage. Despite their efforts and hard work Troy lost to Centralia. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



Opponent	Score
Nodaway Holt	7-15, 6-15
Midway	15-1, 15-4
Midway	15-5, 15-5
Highland	16-14, 15-8
Jackson Heights	15-10, 9-15, 7-15
Oskaloosa	15-12, 15-17, 15-9
Highland	15-9, 4-15, 15-4
Jackson Heights	15-10, 15-10
Centralia	0-15, 1-15
Hiawatha	15-5, 15-6
Valley Heights	2-15, 7-15
Oskaloosa	6-15, 10-15
McLouth	15-3, 15-11
Wathena	15-4, 14-16, 15-2
K.S.D.	15-12, 15-10
Valley Falls	15-12, 15-3
Waverly	5-15, 8-15
JCN	15-3, 11-15, 8-15
South Holt	15-10, 15-4
Wathena	15-7, 15-13
Centralia	11-15, 12-15
Nodaway Holt	17-15, 11-15, 6-15
Valley Falls	15-11, 15-13
Horton	15-5, 15-3
Pleasant Ridge	14-16, 15-0, 15-13
Wathena	15-7, 15-1
Jackson Heights	15-13, 15-10
Pleasant Ridge	16-14, 15-1
Oskaloosa	15-13, 11-15, 15-13
JCN	15-12, 15-8
Horton	15-11, 15-5
Valley Falls	15-9, 15-9
Clifton Clyde	5-15, 14-16



Row 1: Katie Culp, Stephanie Cook, Suzie Oyerly, Marietta Wood, Kristin Kinsey, Betsy Schultz, Megan Boeh. Row 2: Lisa Wiedel, Sarah Gieger, Allisha Benitz, Amy Keller, Christy Gibson, Sandi Nelson, Jessica Stanton, Errica Stanton, Head Coach Cheryl Koelsch. Row 3: Sarah Boeh, Nicole Kinsey, Kelli Simmons, Lindsey Rosenberger, Katherine Robinson. Row 4: Regina Huff, Kelly Dishon, Renee Scholz. Row 5: Amy Moore, Lacey Thomas, Annie Jensen, Jennifer Engemann.

Trojan Volleyball unites

Ladies capture DVL

"Risk It" was an appropriate theme for the 1995 Lady Trojan volleyball season. The Lady Trojans had a very successful season with a record of 23-10.

Head Coach Cheryl Koelsch stated, "It was a very fun and heart-stopping season. There were many games where we had to come back from behind. It was a fun season and I think it was very successful for the Varsity, JV, and freshmen. I think there is a very solid foundation for success for next year's team."

The Delaware Valley League Volleyball Tournament was October 14, and the Lady Trojans posted a 6-0 record to take the tournament crown.

As a pre-game warm up, they showed their dancing

As the Lady Trojans prepare for defense, Kelly Dishon makes a kill against South Holt. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Amy Moore, on the attack, slams another point for the Lady Trojans in the Panther territory. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

abilities as well, with Little Sally Walker and the Banana Dance.

"I had a lot of fun. Doing these pre-games and dances will make my senior year in volleyball very memorable!" exclaimed Annie Jensen.

The Lady Trojans had two players selected for the 1995 Delaware Valley League: Jennifer Engemann and Amy Moore.

Moore commented, "It was a very special honor and I was kind of surprised! I felt we did a wonderful job playing that day. Even when we were down we worked together as a team. I think first proves how strong we are to come out and win the DVL title."

They improved their record to 22-9 on the season. Their next action took place at Onaga, Kansas, for sub-state.

The Lady Trojans had an up and a down day. The first round was against Valley Falls, and with no trouble they moved to round two to face off for the championship against Clifton Clyde.

They weren't so successful against them and took third in sub-state action with a 23-10 season.

When asked about her most memorable moment her senior year, Lacey Thomas commented, "There were several things that topped the season off but the two that stuck out in my mind were when we won the DVL tourney at Highland and all of the seniors were so excited because not only had we won it then but we also did it in eighth grade. The other was a day at practice and Miss Wiedel came out of the locker room and she had a really wrinkled t-shirt on. I looked at her and asked her if that t-shirt had been stored in her glovebox all day or what."

As the 1995 Lady Trojans would say, "We want to see your game, not hear your mouth!"



"Drop and give me ten," commands Miss Koelsch during warm ups at the Troy Invitational. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

Volleyball

Layout by **Lindsey Rosenberger**



C

ross Country goes far in 95

Bang! The Trojan Harriers took off at the Maur Hill meet and never looked back. With both teams qualifying for state, the harriers were a force to be reckoned with.

Both boys' and girls' cross country teams had exciting seasons from the first meet (girls-second, boys-fourth) to regionals at Washington (girls-first, boys-third), to the state meet at Wamego (girls-sixth, boys-eighth).

On the boys' side, nine young men competed for the seven varsity team places. Competition for those sixth and seventh places was strong with juniors Heath Campbell and Larry Huff, sophomore Jared Cash, and freshmen Brett Speaks and Ryan Grable all fighting for a chance to run on the varsity team. Run-offs for the first meet and the state meet were tough. During the season, the meet times of the prior race served as means of choosing the varsity team. Seniors Travis Jenkins, Bryan Salisbury, and Shane Peden, and junior Sam Reust were all constant runners on the varsity team.

The girls only had six runners, but competition was tough to see who the best female runner was in Troy. Senior Jennifer Engemann, junior Regina Huff, sophomores Sarah Boeh and Melissa Campbell, and freshmen Allisha Benitz and Megan Boeh were all tough competitors and

The 1995 boys' team took third at regionals and eighth at state. Members of the boys team are Standing, Sam Reust, Heath Campbell, Travis Jenkins, Jared Cash, and Larry Huff; Kneeling, Brett Speaks, Shane Peden, and Ryan Grable. Photo by Wanda Jenkins.



pushed each other to the limits. They knew they were a good team and they all wanted to see how far this team could go.

As it turned out, the girls' team did exceptionally well. They broke the former school record set in 1987. The total time of that team was 70:21. The team smashed the old record by 3:21. Now the record for the girls' team is 67:00.

Megan Boeh said about the teams' year, "I thought both teams did very well this season. Both teams did better than we ever thought we would. Our coach worked hard with us every day to make us the best that we could be."

Cross country wasn't all running and training though. There was always food. At almost every meet, food was brought by some member of the team or in some cases, donated by a loyal fan (Amy Gronniger). But stopping to eat after the meets was always a highlight.

"The best part about cross country this year was having a bus driver that could get our team to McDonald's faster than anyone else, especially Wathena," jokingly stated Jared Cash.

Allisha Benitz runs her best time at the regional meet in Washington, Kansas. Photo by Ryan Grable.



Coach Curtis Anderson, Melissa Campbell, Regina Huff, Jennifer Engemann, Allisha Benitz, Megan Boeh, and Coach Tom Bond hold Sarah Boeh at the state meet. Boeh was Troy's top runner by taking eleventh. Photo by Deborah Benitz.



Shane Peden stays close to Sam Reust at regionals. Photo by Regina Huff.

Heath Campbell charges up a hill at the Horton meet. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.

Boys' (3.1 Miles)

Best Times

Travis Jenkins	16:47
Bryan Salisbury	17:11
Sam Reust	18:53
Shane Peden	19:47
Brett Speaks	19:55
Heath Campbell	20:38
Larry Huff	20:31
Ryan Grable	20:51
Jared Cash	21:12

Girls' (2 Miles)

Allisha Benitz	12:39
Sarah Boeh	12:44
Megan Boeh	13:05
Jennifer Engemann	13:27
Regina Huff	14:37
Melissa Campbell	14:55

DVL All-League

All-County

Boys

Travis Jenkins
Bryan Salisbury
Sam Reust

Boys

Travis Jenkins
Bryan Salisbury

Girls

Sarah Boeh
Allisha Benitz
Megan Boeh

Girls

Sarah Boeh
Allisha Benitz
Megan Boeh

Trojans win DVL and District

The "focus" was all on Troy

"Focus" was definitely the word of the year. Even if students didn't play football, they probably heard this word often during football season. Every football player lived by it.

From the beginning of the year, Coach Don Cash tried to instill this idea into every member of the team. He also drilled the idea of "TEAM" into everyone. After every practice, the whole team piled on top of each other as Coach Cash gave them his thoughts of practice or about the upcoming game.

As a result of this focusing and team playing, the Trojans had one of the best seasons in Troy's history. The final record was 8-2, with a loss only to Valley Falls and to Onaga.

The team defeated Jackson Heights, Pleasant Ridge, Oskaloosa, and Horton in their first four games; then the team had a let down and lost an upset against Valley Falls. In the game against Oskaloosa, the team scored a season-high 46 points while shutting out the Bears.

Senior Travis Jenkins said about the loss, "I feel that this was the worst game we have ever played in my high school career. It was also very embarrassing. It was good, though, because it taught us that we had to be ready for every game."

The Trojans won the next four games against McLouth, Centralia, Highland, and Wathena. Before the Highland game, there was a late-night pep rally.

Senior Benjy Cook was chosen to speak for the football team. He left the team with the memorable phrase: "It's a big game. It's huge."

The game against Highland turned out to be an extremely "big" game because it gave the Trojans the district championship.

The Trojans played Wathena in their last regular-season game. They already knew they had won the district. They also knew they had to win this game to be the DVL champions by themselves. With this in mind the Trojans won the game 21-8.

They then had to face Onaga in the bi-district game. Onaga had given Troy many problems in playoff history. The team got a little ahead of themselves and didn't play up to their potential. They lost the game 8-36.

Junior Tito Martinez said about the season: "It was an exciting year. We didn't expect much going into the season after having less than exceptional seasons the two previous years. I think we really surprised ourselves the first few games on how well we played, especially our defense."

"We had a young group guys this year but most of them played a lot last year and knew what to expect," said junior Heath Whetstine.

Fullback Dallas Keller takes the ball and pushes into the Wathena defense. Photo by Steve Tetlow



Above: Craig Scholz dives towards the line of scrimmage in the Wathena game to pick up the first down. Photo by Steve Tetlow.

Right: The Trojan defense is making a big stop in the final regular-season game against Wathena. Photo by Steve Tetlow.



Quarterback Heath Whetstine rounds the corner in the Wathena game. Whetstine rushed for 54 yards and threw for 119 in this contest. Photo by Steve Tetlow.

Row 1: Ryan Grable, Clint Peden, Jared Cash, Andy Franken, Kyle Thomas, Brad Johnson, Justin Engemann, Nathan Geiger, Kyle McConnaughey, Nathan Reynolds. Row 2: Derek Luedke, Tito Martinez, Coaches Derek Jasper, Bruce Reynolds, Don Cash, and Benny Rice, Tim Uplinger, Josh Fisher, Melissa Campbell. Row 3: Sam Reust, Keith Hinds, Tyler Whetstine, Kirk Jamvold, Corey Kostman, Clinton McNemee, Craig Scholz, Zach Benitz. Row 4: Jeremy Prawl, Andrew Clary, Benjy Cook, Joel Ashburn, Heath Whetstine, Michael Grable, Dallas Keller. Row 5: Brandon Pierce, Adam Clary, Jaylon Ashburn, Bryan Sallsbury, Larry Huff, Travis Jenkins. Photo by Bray.



Home	Opponents	
7	Jackson Heights	6
12	Pleasant Ridge	6
46	Oskaloosa	0
30	Horton	12
6	Valley Falls	8
21	McLouth	6
28	Centralia	20
21	Highland	6
21	Wathena	8
8	Onaga	36
	All-League	
1st team		
Benjy Cook	Offense,	Defense
Heath Whetstine		Offense
Joel Ashburn		Offense
2nd team		
Travis Jenkins		Defense
Keith Hinds		Defense
Brandon Pierce		Defense
Honorable Mention		
Clinton McNemee		Defense
Craig Scholz		Offense
All State		
Benjy Cook	Offensive tackle	
Heath Whetstine	(Honorable Mention)	

K

ing and Queen honored in '95

A week of anticipation led to a night of excitement and joy as the Homecoming Queen and King were crowned September 22 in front of a mass of fans.

Miss Jennifer Engemann was crowned Homecoming Queen during the pre-game ceremonies for the game against the Horton Chargers. Benjy Cook received the honor of head escort. He presented Jennifer with six roses, a crown, a sash, and a kiss to top it off.

Jennifer's court was Mandy Robinson, Amy Moore, Lacey Thomas, and Lindsay Christenson. They were escorted by Brandon Pierce, Travis Jenkins, Craig Scholz, and Keith Hinds. Each candidate was presented a rose and a kiss.

"It was a lot of fun during Spirit Week. Being chosen as Homecoming Queen made the week even more exciting and memorable. Being chosen Queen will be one of my most memorable things that happened in high school!" exclaimed Jennifer Engemann.

Benjy Cook also stated, "I just wanted to get it over with and play the game, but other than that I was overwhelmed!"

The crown bearers and flower girls were Darrin Clary, Andrew Robinson, Jena Johnson, and Kacie Fenley.

The Homecoming festivities started with Spirit Week. Monday was Twin Day; Tuesday was College Day; Wednesday was Opposite Sex Day; Thursday was Beach Day; and Friday ended Spirit Week with Blue-and-White Day. A community pep rally was also held on Main Street Friday afternoon. The student body and faculty of the high school and middle school, parents, and fans all attended the pep rally. The THS classes decorated floats for the parade, and had a window-painting contest with the Main Street businesses. The sophomore class won both categories.

"What parade?! I thought there needed to be more spirit in the classes and more with decorating the floats," commented freshman April Hiemer.

Legs, legs everywhere, but whose legs are whose? This question has been asked every Homecoming, and Homecoming 1995 was no exception.

Mr. Legs was started in 1974 and has been a tradition ever since. Eight senior guys were up for this honor. They were Craig Scholz, Bryan

Salisbury, Benjy Cook, Brandon Pierce, Zach Benitz, Keith Hinds, Travis Jenkins, and Joel Ashburn. Benjy Cook was the winner and was presented a Mr. Legs t-shirt and a razor.

The Trojans defeated the Chargers and the night ended with a dance following the game with "Don't Go Chasing Waterfalls" by TLC as the theme. The dance consisted of a wide variety of old and new songs presented by the D.J. Brandon Brewka.

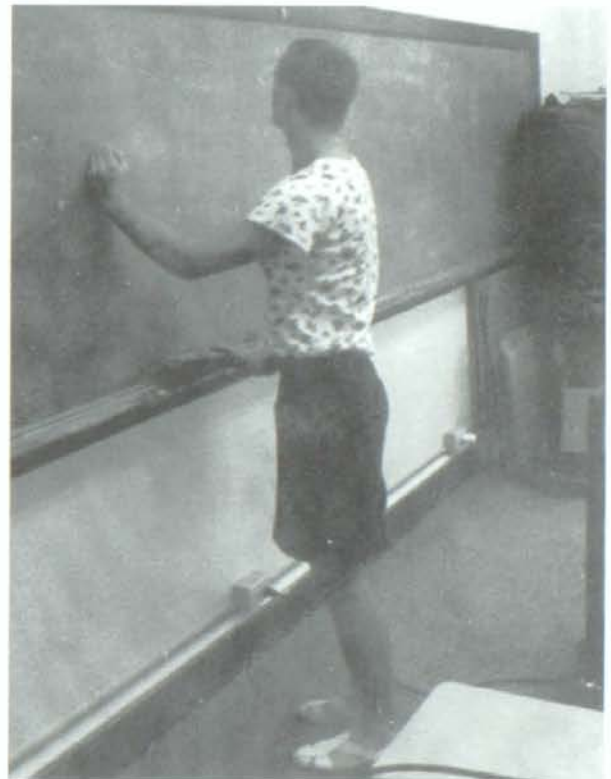
Freshman Larissa Handley stated, "I thought the Homecoming dance was decorated neat, and I had a really great time!"

"Open wide," says Mandy Robinson as she feeds Brandon Pierce an orange during the Homecoming Parade. Photo Tabitha Gibson.



Posing for their best shot are the King and Queen with their candidates for 1995. Photo by Judy Merritt.

Racing to the finish line are King and Queen candidates Jennifer Engemann, Keith Hinds, Amy Moore, Travis Jenkins, Benjy Cook, and Lindsay Christenson. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Craig Scholz lets his feminine side show during spirit week by dressing up as a woman. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

Queen Jennifer Engemann and King Benjy Cook were very active in sports during their senior year. Photo by Bray.

Homecoming

Layout by **Lindsye Rosenberger**

New activity attracts many members

Wrestling brings six members in its first year

At Troy High School, clubs and activities were numerous. Many clubs were traditional, while others were just beginning. Pep club and T-Club were two clubs that had been active at Troy High for years. Wrestling was an activity that was added to the list of students' activities.

"Pin them flat" was a phrase commonly heard at wrestling meets. This was the first year that the sport was offered. The wrestling team had six members.

Andrew Clary stated, "I am really glad that the school offered wrestling to us this year. It was kind of hard to start out as a junior, but I really enjoyed the opportunity."

The wrestlers learned new moves such as the "double chicken wing." The Troy team consolidated with the Wathena Wildcats wrestling team. Mr. Benny Rice, the industrial arts teacher, was the Troy coach.

He commented, "A lot of the terms and moves are new to the people around here, as well as wrestling as a sport. I believe that after the people learn more about the sport, they will be much more interested."

Pep club was sponsored by Miss Kathy Kasselmann, business teacher. The group participated in many new activities and sponsored dances for the school.

Kelli Simmons said, "Decorating, planning and getting ready for the dances is part of the fun. The pep club has been sponsoring dances for a long time and I think it is a good tradition."

An ice skating trip before Christmas was offered to the pep club members as an addition to the activities. The members were able to ride a bus to Bode Ice Arena in St. Joseph, Missouri.

1995-96 Wrestling members were Willie Clary, Andrew Clary, Jared Cash, Tim Uplinger, Nathan Reynolds, and Coach Benny Rice. Not pictured are Zach Benitz and Kyle McConnaughey. Photo by Bray.



"The best part of the day was watching Miss Kasselmann struggle to stay up on the ice since it was the first time she had ever been ice skating. She was doing pretty good right before we left though," laughed Stephanie Cook.

T-Club was also an activity in long standing at Troy High School. The T-Club once again sponsored the annual alumni basketball tournament.

"I am glad that we have a big group at our school. It really shows that our students are involved in the activities," said T-Club president Justin Johnson.

Students were required to letter in at least one extra-curricular activity over the course of the year to be admitted into the T-Club.

Travis Jenkins stated, "I really like the way the T-Club is set up. Each activity has its own standards to letter. I lettered my freshman year and have been active in T-Club for four years now. I feel honored to be a member.

"I enjoy being a part of the pep club. There are a lot of activities to choose from at our school, but not many of them are open to everyone. Pep Club is an activity that lets everyone participate," commented Katie Culp.

"A lot of people at Troy really take pride in what the school does. I am really glad to be a part of it," said Julie Boeh.

1995-96 T-Club Members: Row 1: J.Engemann, J.Johnson, M.Robinson, S.Geiger; Row 2: B.Salisbury, R.Huff, S.Boeh, N.Kinsey, A.Moore, L.Christensen, R.Scholz, K.Simmons, S.Peden; Row 3: J.Ashburn, A.Clary, J.Prawl, J.Cash, D.Keller, C.McNemee, L.Huff, C.Higley, T.Jenkins, Row 4: H.Whetstine, B.Cook, J.Fisher, R.Grable, D.Luedke, L.Thomas, C.Scholz, A.Jensen, L.Rosenberger, J.Wiedmer, J.Nett; Row 5: A.Clary, A.Franken, C.Kostman, J.Huss, T.Gibson, K.Dishon, K.Robinson, J.Wykert; Row 6: W.Clary, B.Boaz, M.Loroff, N.Oyler, N.Mitchell, C.Hoverson, C.Gibson, S.Nelson, T.Martinez; Row 7: B.Schultz, S.Cook, M.Boeh, A.Benitz, H.Campbell, K.Hinds, T.Whetstine. Photo by Bray.



1995-96 Pep Club members: Row 1: B.Schultz, C.Gibson, S.Cook, A.Benitz, L.Handley, M.Wood; Row 2: Miss Kasselmann, M.Loroff, K.Simmons, L.Thomas, S.Schultz, M.Robinson, C.Higley; Row 3: J.Wiedmer, K.Dishon, C.Stahl, A.Keller, S.Duncan, A.Jensen, R.Scholz, L.Rosenberger, J.Engemann, T.Gibson; Row 4: K.Drake, N.Kinsey, A.Moore, H.Campbell, K.Culp, C.Stewart, L.Ford, S.Oyerly, B.Boaz, K.Heil; Row 5: C.Hoverson, S.Nelson, S.Boeh, P.Smith, S.Akers, J.Christenson, J.Ford, K.Kinsey, M.Boeh, A.Hiemer Photo by Bray.



Zach Benitz prepares to meet a competitor in a wrestling match at the Wathena meet. Photo by Bruce Reynolds.

1995-96 T-Club officers were Jennifer Engemann (Secretary), Justin Johnson (President), and Mandy Robinson (Vice-President), Sarah Geiger (Treasurer). Photo by Bray.

Activities

Layout by Kelly Dishon

Lady Trojans have winning season

New coach brings new style

Sweat, sweat, sweat! This word was commonly heard throughout the season, and finally, the Lady Trojans poured it on. One goal in mind was to have a winning season with a new coach, with a new style along with it. That goal was accomplished with a winning season, 14-8.

When asked if the season was successful Sarah Boeh commented, "Since we got "Gator," the season started off rather shaky but once we got used to him I feel that we did rather well considering he was new to us. I have a feeling that we will do rather well next year too."

At the beginning of the season, the girls decided that "Sweat, don't let up until you smell something" would be the slogan that they would play by all year long, and it proved to be a good one. Another saying that proved to be a good one was "You know you are playing good defense when you hurt."

The first game was a very good start for the Lady Trojans, beating the Oskaloosa Bears. Though the weather was bad, the practices still went on. The hard work paid off.

Even though their 1995 season ended with a victory the Lady Trojans still worked hard over Christmas break to make sure the rest of their season went as smoothly as their last game.

The season was filled not only with goals but also with memorable moments.

Jennifer Engemann stated, "My most memorable game was Troy vs. Wathena. This is because it was my career highest scoring game and because we beat them."

Amy Moore commented, "My funniest moment would have to be when Lindsey Rosenberger drop-kicked the ball trying to make a basket but instead, she nailed "Gator" in the head."

There were also many accomplishments made by individual players. All-County first team were Jennifer Engemann and Alissa Durbin; second team were Sarah Geiger and Nicole Kinsey. Along with being selected for All-County, Jennifer Engemann was unanimously chosen to the DVL All-League team. Honorable mentions were Nicole Kinsey and Alissa Durbin. Selections for All-League were chosen by the league school coaches; All-County selections were made by county school coaches.

Nicole Kinsey stated, "I was happy and surprised that the rest of the coaches thought that I should receive All-League honorable mention and the second team All-County honors. I hope I do this well next year!"

The annual athletic banquet was April 11 more outstanding achievements were selected and given out by

head coach Larry "Gator" Rivers and assistant coach Kay Hewins.

The leadership awards were received by seniors Jennifer Engemann and Amy Moore. The Most Valuable Players (better known as MVP's) were Alissa Durbin and Nicole Kinsey. The most outstanding freshman was Kristin Kinsey. Most points was Jennifer Engemann; most assists, Alissa Durbin; most rebounds, Nicole Kinsey; and most courageous was Sarah Geiger.

The junior varsity Lady Trojans are Front Row: Amy Keller, Sandi Nelson, Chris Hoverson, Sarah Boeh, and Melissa Campbell. Row 2: Coach Larry "Gator" Rivers, Kristin Kinsey, Laura Ford, Suzie Oyerly, Christy Stahl, Katie Culp, Allisha Benitz, Megan Boeh, and manager Kristina Heil. Photo by Bray.



As Megan Boeh faces her opponent, Allisha Benitz, she remembers one of the main rules of basketball, always "look" before you pass. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.

Fighting for the ball against a Ram opponent and winning the struggle is senior Amy Moore while Sarah Boeh and Renee Scholz cheer her on. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Faking out her opponent and looking for the pass is junior Alissa Durbin against the Rams. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The Varsity Lady Trojans are Front Row: Alissa Durbin, Lindsey Rosenberger, Amy Moore, Jennifer Engemann, Renee Scholz, and Regina Huff. Row 2: Coach Larry "Gator" Rivers, Kristin Kinsey, Melissa Campbell, Sarah Geiger, Sandi Nelson, Chris Hoverson, Sarah Boeh, Nicole Kinsey, and manager Kristina Heil. Photo by Bray.

US		THEM
66	Pleasant Ridge	43
32	Oskaloosa	28
44	McLouth	31
50	Wathena	38
35	Highland	32
52	Valley Falls	50
49	Midway	22
36	Horton	58
37	Wathena	45
34	Jackson Heights	27
48	Highland	47
58	Elwood	26
47	Midway	18
42	Jefferson County North	48
	DVL	
38	Valley Falls	59
48	Oskaloosa	32
26	Highland	28
	Hiawatha Tournament	
29	Falls City	47
44	Hiawatha	61
40	Jackson Heights	43
42	Onaga	35
37	Valley Falls	60

Dallas Keller shoots over his defender in the second round of sub-state. Keller was a starter and had a lot of playing time. Photo by Lindsey Rosenberger.



Varsity	Overall Record 15-6
Troy	Opponent
73	Valley Falls 63
62	JCN 54
34	Jackson Heights 54
76	Highland 59
66	Wathena 51
95	Elwood 44
66	McLouth 69
57	Jackson Heights 48
52	Midway 38
78	Wathena 66
56	Royal Valley 48
53	Beatrice 86
61	Nemaha Valley 67
69	Horton 66
46	Midway 39
55	Oskaloosa 48
66	JCN 60
44	Highland 49
80	Valley Falls 64
67	Pleasant Ridge 49
72	McLouth 60
51	Burlingame 53
JV Record 12-4	



The boys' basketball team was: Front Row: Tyler Whetstine, Dallas Keller, Heath Campbell, Justin Johnson, Sam Reust, Craig Scholz, Larry Huff, Bryan Salisbury, Adam Clary, Travis Jenkins, Nathan Penny, Heath Whetstine, Jaylon Ashburn. Row 2: Brett Speaks, Derek Luedke, P.J. Smith, Bobby Milbourne, Corey Kostman, Kirk Jamvold, Nathan Geiger, Justin Engemann, Andy Franken, Ryan Grable, mng. Josh Fischer, Coach Kevin Kelley Not pictured: Assistant Coach Pat Casey. Photo by Bray.

Boys' basketball goes far in '96

The end comes too quickly

In boys' basketball, returning starters and upcoming sophomores combined forces to endure a very good season which ended too soon in the players' eyes.

Heath Whetstine said, "It was a disappointment that we didn't make it to state, but overall it was a very successful season."

The season started off great with the Trojans making it to the championship game of the pre-season DVL Tournament. They had defeated the Valley Falls Dragons and the JCN Chargers to get to this game. They faced Jackson Heights but fell short, ending up with second place. They went on to win their next three games.

Their first regular-season loss came to the McLouth Bulldogs. After this loss, the Trojans faced Jackson Heights, the team that had defeated them earlier. The Troy boys were ready for them this time and came away with a victory.

It was now mid-season tournament time and the Trojans were in a tournament they had never competed in before, the Raider Classic Tournament in Seneca. They won their first game against Royal-Valley. They then lost to Beatrice and Nemaha Valley, taking fourth overall.

The Trojans won their next four games. Troy

then lost to Highland at their Queen of Courts game. Troy then went on to beat Valley Falls and Pleasant Ridge in the last two games of the season. This gave the Trojans a 14-5 regular season record.

Sub-state was next and the Trojans had a fourth-place seed in the tournament. They defeated McLouth in their first-round game.

Then they faced Burlingame, the third ranked team in the state in the 2A division. The Trojans took it to overtime but lost it in the final minute by two points. Heath Campbell said, "It was hard at first, getting used to playing under a new system, but I realized that we had a good team and that we had great potential. I only wish we could have gone farther in post-season play."

The JV team also had a very successful year. It started a little slow because the boys had to get used to their new coach, Pat Casey. They lost their first two games but then went on to win their next four.

They lost the next two, the second one coming in the JV tournament at Highland. After that loss though, the JV went undefeated for the rest of the year, eight games in all. They ended up the year with a 12-4 record.

There were six freshmen out for basketball; they played six games, starting off with a win against Highland but went downhill from there, losing the last five games, leaving them a 1-5 record.

Left: Heath Whetstine shoots a free-throw in the first game of the DVL Tournament against Valley Falls. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Justin Johnson launches a three against Pleasant Ridge. The Trojans walked away with the game, winning 67-49. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Heath Whetstine tips off in the sub-state game against Burlingame as Dallas Keller waits. Photo by Lindsey Rosenberger.

Boys Basketball

Layout by **Larry Huff**



"I hope I'm doing this right," says King Brandon Pierce while putting on Queen Amy Moore's sash while candidates Bryan Salisbury and Mandy Robinson watch. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



"And the 1996 Queen and King are . . ." Amy Moore and Brandon Pierce. Photo by Bray.

Dancing the night away are Gene and Julie Boeh at the Queen and King of Courts dance. Photo by Regina Huff.



Pierce and Moore crowned

on "One Sweet Day!"

Who do you think the winner is? This was the main question asked around THS during the week of the '96 Queen and King of Courts.

As a tradition, the King and Queen of Courts was held February 23, during the half-time of the boys' varsity game against the Pleasant Ridge Rams. Not only did we take the win of the game, but we also crowned the King and Queen of courts for '96.

The '96 King and Queen candidates were Mandy Robinson, Sherry Duncan, Amy Moore, Lacey Thomas, Annie Jensen, Brandon Pierce, Craig Scholz, Travis Jenkins, Bryan

Salisbury, and Zach Benitz. The candidates were chosen by the boys' and girls' basketball teams and the King and Queen were voted by the whole High School student body.

The Queen of Courts festivities started with Spirit Week. Monday was Baby Day; Tuesday was Dress-up Day; Wednesday, Sweat Day; Thursday, Inside Out Day; and Friday ended Spirit Week with Blue-and-White Day.

A late night pep-rally was held that Thursday night before the Queen of Courts. A class competition was held by placing one of your shoes in a pile from each class. Whatever class found their shoes and tied them as fast as they could won. Winning this contest was the senior class. Another competition was played by the King and Queen of courts candidates. Each escort was placed in a chair and the candidate fed the escort a pudding pack and had them also drink a glass of water. In order to win, the escort had to eat all of the pudding pack and drink all of the water. Winning the pudding competition was Lacey Thomas and Craig Scholz.

Lacey Thomas commented, "I thought the best part of Queen of Courts was having the late night the night before the ceremonies. The cheerleaders did a great job and had everything well organized. The best part was Craig and I winning the pudding game, even though we didn't win a prize."

Amy Moore was chosen Queen of Courts and Brandon Pierce was selected head escort. Amy received a crown, a sash, roses, and a kiss from Brandon. The other queen candidates received a kiss and a rose from their escorts. The King Brandon Pierce received a plaque.

Kayla DeLeon was the crown bearer; Cameron Blanton carried the sash; Casey Cross and Cameron Duncan carried the roses. The King and Queen bearers were chosen from the afternoon kindergarten class.

After the ceremonies the game went on with a win and a new King and Queen. After the game a dance was held in the old gym decorated by the THS pep-club and decorating the new gym for the King and Queen of Courts was the stuco representatives from each class. Matt's Mobile Music from St. Joseph Mo. was also provided by the pep-club along with refreshments.

The theme for the night was Mariah Carey and Boyz II Men's new hit, "One Sweet Day."

Pep-club president Mandy Robinson stated, "The dance was neat because of all the special effects Matt's Mobile Music used. The ceremony went really well and I also had a great time at the dance."

Waiting for the signal from Candy Higley are the crown and flower bearers. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Sitting and smiling while the game goes on are the Queen and Queen candidates. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.

Dallas Keller long jumps at the Troy Triangular track meet. He jumped 18 feet 3 inches at that meet, then went on to jump 20 feet at regionals. Photo by Lindsey Rosenberger.



Travis Jenkins took first in the 800-meter dash at regionals. He went on to place eighth at state. Photo by Larry Huff.



Kristin Kinsey warms up for the javelin at the Oskaloosa Tri. She took second at that meet. Photo by Regina Huff.



Bryan Salisbury anchors the 4x800 meter relay team at regionals in Rossville. The team took first and competed at state where they placed seventh. Photo by Larry Huff.

Track teams compete hard all year

Large numbers help tremendously

The Trojan Track team had an exciting year with many people going out and much ability in almost every event.

At the beginning of the year, the athletes were divided into their strong points: long distance, sprints, jumping, or throwing. Tom Bond coached the long distance (including hurdlers), Lyle Rockey coached the sprinters and jumpers, and Cheryl Koelch coached the throwers.

Because of this specialized coaching, each athlete was able to work on his/her own event and make the whole team better.

Dallas Keller said about the season: "I think we had a great season. I think our large amount of competitors helped us do really well at meets. I hope we have the same amount of talent next year."

The boys had a good year. They tied for second in the DVL. They had four boys returning from competing in state the year before. They were Travis Jenkins, Bryan Salisbury, Zach Benitz, and Clinton McNemee. They also had many competitors returning from last year that had improved themselves and returned even stronger.

Unfortunately, there were no returning state competitors on the girls' side. That didn't stop them though they still had a good year. They were helped by the strong group of freshman girls that went out.

The head coach Don Cash said, "I felt like, despite the strong adversity we faced, that we had a very successful season."

There was only one school record broken. Zach Benitz broke the former school record of 12 ft. 6 in. in the pole vault. He broke the record with a vault of 13 ft. 6 in.

One relay and three individuals made it to state. The boys' 4x800-meter relay team, which had been put together a week before the meet, took first at regionals to make it to state. The team consisted of Travis Jenkins, Shane Peden, Heath Campbell, and Bryan Salisbury. Jenkins also went to state in the 800-meter dash and Salisbury in the 3200-meter run. Zach Benitz, the alternate for the relay, made it to state in the pole vault.

At the state meet the relay placed seventh with a time of 8.37. Jenkins, competing for the third straight year at state track, placed eighth in the 800-meter dash. Salisbury, also competing for his third year, took fourth in the 2-mile with a time of 10.25.

Benitz returned from last year to get fourth with a vault of 13 ft. 6 in, which was also his best for the year as well as a new school record.

Clinton McNemee said, "I didn't have quite the year throwing as I had hoped for and that was a little disappointing but I do think that both of the teams did well as a whole."



Team members are: Front Row: Jaylon Ashburn, Dallas Keller, Sam Reust, Heath Campbell, Bryan Salisbury. Row 2: Michael Grable, Clinton McNemee, Larry Huff, Sarah Boeh, Nicole Kinsey, Melissa Campbell. Row 3: Andy Bramlage manager., Jared Cash, Brett Speaks, Sandi Nelson, Megan Boeh, Aaron Clary. Row 4: Nathan Reynolds, Regina Huff, Suzie Oyerly, Alisha Benitz, Chris Hoverson, Marietta Wood, Christy Stahl. Not pictured: Mandle Loroff, Candy Higley, Keith Hinds, Annie Jensen, Zach Benitz, Travis Jenkins, Shane Peden, Kristin Kinsey, Betsy Schultz, Kirk Jamvold, James Huss, Lindsey Rosenberger and managers. Lindsay Christenson, April Hiemer, and Amy King. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Megan Boeh competes in the 3200-meter run at the regional meet at Rossville. Megan took fourth. Photo by Larry Huff.



Explaining how to get a dog in the one-act play are Sandi Nelson, Rebecca Boaz, Candy Higley, Jared Cash, Andy Bramlage, and Kelly Dishon. Mandie Loroff played the part of the dog. The one-act play received first place at the DVL speech meet, a I rating at regionals, and a III rating at state. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Allisha Benitz, Rebecca Boaz, and Noelle Oyler perform a dance to the song "Slow Dancing in the Snow" at their Christmas concert. The chorus had various performances throughout the year. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Fine arts show talent

Music, art, and drama, together known as the fine arts, were a big part of many students' lives.

These classes allowed for students to gain more knowledge about the fine arts as well as receive instruction to better themselves in that area.

Many fine arts classes were offered. They included band and chorus, which were taught by Mr. Darren Jenkins, and art, taught by Mrs. Nancy Clisbee.

Another fine art was drama.

Lindsay Christenson, Jamie Christenson, and Nathan Reynolds work carefully at stacking lumps of clay. The contest to see which team could build the tallest clay structure was part of the Highland Art Festival. Photo by Michael Grable.



This was not offered as a class, but as an extra-curricular activity in which many students participated. It was coached by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey. Drama included the fall and spring plays, the one-act play, and the speech team.

"The best part was that we got to hang out with friends during practice. It was fun to be around all the play people," said Katie Culp, a student director.

Music was an interest that took much work. Both instrumental and vocal music students worked diligently to prepare for regional and state music festivals.

"It was hard to make the chorus balance out because there were so few guys and we couldn't be as loud as we needed to be," explained Ryan Grable, chorus member.

"The best part of band was traveling to band festivals with my friends. It was also nice that we did so well," said Amy Keller, flutist.

Art classes gave the students a chance to express themselves through sketches, painting, and various other artistic activities.

"I think fine arts is an important part of education because it gives students an insight into more cultural activities than they would normally participate in," explained Jaimie Harter, member of the play cast.

Along with showcasing their talents, students got to compete with other students at contests.

Here we performed.



Sight reading a new piece of music are saxophonists Travis Jenkins, Renee Scholz, Sandi Nelson, and Katie Culp. The band performed at concerts and contests as well as ball games. Photo by Candy Higley.



Lindsey Rosenberger and Aaron Clary share a waltz during the spring play. Lindsey was making her stage debut as a sign girl. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Art expands thinking

THS Art classes given students a chance to get out of the classroom.

Besides competing in contests, students enjoyed working on new and different projects. The art department also took exciting field trips. These trips proved to be helpful in learning about different types of art and artists.

The art department took its first field trip of the year in October, when students attended the showing of the world-famous "Treasures of the Czars" in Topeka. This was unique because this exhibit had never come to the United States before.

Next they went to the Andrew Wyeth exhibit in Kansas City to study the art works of Andrew Wyeth, an autobiographic artist. They also attended the Grandma Layton show which helped them to learn about autobiographical art.

In addition to field trips, students also learned about different types of art through contests. The two poster contests that students entered were the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) contest and the Christophers contest. Both Megan Miner and Christy Stewart won awards in the MADD contest.

"It is good for students to work in the MADD contest because it helps them to learn about drinking and driving," stated Christy Stewart.

In addition to the poster contests, the art students had the opportunity to enter contests at Highland Community College and Delaware Valley League (DVL). The DVL contest was held at Troy, which was unusual since it only

came to Troy once every ten years. Jason McNeely, Shawn Miller, Melissa Campbell, Benjy Cook, and Megan Miner won awards in this contest.

From the Highland Art Day, Megan Miner came back with an award for her display and the Troy Art History Team placed fourth in the Art History Contest.

The art department also worked on various projects, such as drawings, ceramics, and collages. Students also got the chance to work on the pottery wheel.

Many projects such as sculptures, pottery, and sketches made the year exciting for students and provided the students with an opportunity not everyone receives. Contests, along with projects and field trips, made art a fun class to take.

"At the beginning of the year I just figured I would take art to take up a space in my schedule, but I discovered that I really do like it. It's fun," commented Lindsay Christenson.

Nathan Reynolds glues on a piece of his collage of a tree sitting on the earth in phases of light and darkness. Photo by Staci Schultz.

Lindsay Christenson wipes away excess chalk dust from her chalk drawing, one of her final projects. Photo by Staci Schultz.





Benjy Cook, Neal Eylar, and Brad Johnson show off their sidewalk chalk drawing. This was just one of the contests that Troy participated in at the Highland Community College Art Day. Photo by Nancy Clisbee.

Megan Miner concentrates on one of her sketches. Megan won many awards for art including the 1996 MADD Poster Contest—2nd place, 1996 DVL Art Festival—Feature Artist, DVL Honorable Mention—Paper Mosaic, District Artwork Selection—Paper Mosaic, HCC Art Day Honorable Mention—Wood Burning Sculpture, and a full tuition and books scholarship to Highland Community College. Photo by Nancy Clisbee.



Jason McNeely accepts his award for the Design-an-Ad contest from Mr. David Bradley and Mrs. Joan Lehr, staff members of *The St. Joseph News Press*. Photo by Nancy Clisbee.



Soloists receive a 'I'

Concerts and contest kept the band and chorus busy throughout the year.

In addition, the band marched in the Homecoming parade, played pep music, attended festivals, and did well at contests.

The chorus class was taught by Miss Julie Kramer, a student teacher from Benedictine College, during the second nine weeks. She directed the class in the Christmas program.

The chorus and band both performed at Christmas and in the spring musical.

Both music groups attended Regional music, state band, large ensembles; and state music, small groups.

The groups traveled to Marysville, Kansas, for state band large groups. The band played two pieces, "Merritt Beach March" and "Declaration Overture." They received an overall II rating. "We Are the Music" and "Festival Alleluia" were performed by the chorus. They also received an overall II rating. On the way home the van broke down near Seneca, Kansas, and they had to have it looked at. It made it nearly a mile outside of Troy and broke down again. The students in the van had to walk back to the school.

"This year chorus has been fun for me. It's been great working with Mr. Jenkins also," commented Heath Campbell.

Regional music was at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas. This was an event for only soloists and small

groups. If they received a I rating they would go to state.

Regina Huff played a clarinet solo by H.C.L. Stocks, "Wessex Pastorale." A saxophone solo was played by Sandi Nelson. Her piece was "Contemporary Suite" by Gordon Young. They both received a I rating, and were able to qualify for small state music.

The two qualifiers participated in state band with their solos at Concordia, Kansas. They each received another I rating.

"I was really excited and surprised when I received a I rating! I knew I did well, but not well enough. I knew I wasn't going to argue with the judge though. I had a fun time at all the contests," commented Regina Huff.

The band was honored to play for KQ2 TV, "Merritt Beach March," at the Troy Courtyard.

To end the 1996 school year, the band played "Pomp and Circumstance." During the graduation ceremony, the chorus later sang "That's What Friends Are For."

Becky Boaz, Kristina Drake, and Sandi Nelson perform during half-time at the Homecoming football game. This was their first performance of the year. Photo by Nancy Mitchell

Adjusting the band stand so it is usable is Sarah Boeh. This was Sarah's sixth year in band. She played the baritone. Photo by Nancy Mitchell



Mr. Jenkins directs the chorus in "I Can Love You Like That," during the spring musical program. This was the last concert of the year. Photo by Keith Hinds



"Mary Had A Little Baby" is being sung by the chorus class. This performance, during the Christmas program was directed by the student teacher Miss Kramer. She helped the students get organized and prepared for their first performance with her. Photo by Keith Hinds



The Troy High School Band was very active. There were 22 members, Front row: Carmen Duncan, Jessica Stanton, Amy Keller, Kristina Drake, Regina Huff, Megan Boeh, and Jenny Ford; Row 2: Rebecca Boaz, Sarah Boeh, James Huss, Julie Boeh, Larry Huff, Clinton McNemee, and Ryan Grable; Row 3: Christy Gibson, Betsy Schultz, Katie Culp, Sandi Nelson, Renee Scholz, Josh Fischer, Travis Jenkins, and Sam Reust; Row 4: Director Darren Jenkins. The group played in concerts, programs, festivals, marched in a parade, and entertained the crowd at the home ballgames with pep music. This was the band's second year under the direction of Mr. Darren Jenkins. Photo by Bray

Jaimie Hartter and Suzie Oyerly play cards. Playing cards was a popular way to pass time between events. Photo by Kelly Dishon.

State qualifiers got a chance to practice. Andy Bramlage performs his solo, "The Night the Ghost Got In." Photo by Lyle Rockey.



Sarah Boeh portrays the big bad wolf with a look of surprise in the wolf's version of "Little Red Riding Hood." Photo by Kelly Dishon.



Music was a popular way to kill time between performances. Larry Huff plays the guitar for some of the other performers in the lobby. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Speech competitors excel

Competitions were numerous. The students at Troy High School were tough opponents to the opposition. In the field of choices, many students found that forensics was a good choice. The team had 17 entries qualify for state in addition to the one-act play cast. This was a record number for the Troy team at state. All of the students did well at state and half of the qualifying events received I ratings.

The speech team consisted of 25 students participating in 7 categories. The students were able to choose from Prose and Poetry Readings, Improvised Duet Acting(I.D.A.), Duet Acting, Informative Speech, and Humorous and Serious Solos.

"I really enjoy doing I.D.A. because you can just let loose and act the way you want. You design the characters, so you can totally get into it. It's also a lot of fun,"

Jared Cash pretends to flush Aaron Clary's head down the toilet in an I.D.A. performance. Photo by Kelly Dishon.



explained Larry Huff.

The speech team attended five meets. The first meet was the Delaware Valley League meet at Horton High School. The Troy team placed second at this meet. The team also competed at Hiawatha, Nemaha Valley, the Mount Academy, and Jefferson County North.

Sarah Boeh commented, "Speech is a lot of hard work and a lot of early mornings, but performing and doing well is definitely worth it."

The Troy team hosted the Troy Invitational speech meet. Many students helped with this meet, with fifteen teams attending. Although there was a lot of work to be done, the meet ran smoothly with the help of people from the community, teachers, people from other schools, and students in the drama club as well as the speech team.

The next event for the team was Regionals at Turner High School. The students at Regionals were performing for a rating instead of competition. A I rating automatically qualified a performer for State Festival.

"I really like the rating system at Regionals. It lets you know how well you do without being compared to another performer. It also gives people another chance to participate at state," said James Huss.

The team traveled to Johnson County Community College in Overland Park to compete at the state festival. The students who received I ratings at state were Mandie Loroff with a Humorous Solo and a Prose Reading, Andy Bramlage with a Humorous Solo and an Informative Speech, Regina Huff with a Prose Reading, Sandi Nelson with a Poetry Reading, Allisha Benitz with an Informative Speech, and Sam Reust and Larry Huff with an I.D.A. performance.



"Let me tantalize you," says Mandie Loroff while performing "A Lamb to the Slaughter" as prose. Photo by Kelly Dishon.



rama skills shine

Skill and talent fused many drama members together to use their talents.

The one-act play "How To Eat Like a Child" was comprised of many scenes of young children telling people why children act the way that they, children, act. "How To Eat Like a Child" allowed each one-act member to show his/her inner child. Members of the one-act cast were Mandie Loroff, Regina Huff, Candy Higley, Jaimie Harter, Rebecca Boaz, Kelly Dishon, Jared Cash, James Huss, Andy Bramlage, Sarah Boeh, Christy Gibson, and Sandi Nelson. The one-act was performed at speech meets and at State Festival. The one-act received a I at Regionals, first at League, and a III at State Festival.

Andy Bramlage stated, "I think that the one-act was a lot of fun and I really enjoyed acting like someone younger than me. It's not every day you can throw a temper tantrum in school."

James Huss explained, "I'm glad we did so well. This is my first time acting and I thought it was great; I was nervous but I had a good part so it made me feel better."

Drama club did many activities. One fundraiser was the selling of environmental t-shirts. Not only did many members sell them but they wore them. The money from the t-shirts went to the upkeep of the stage lights.

The fall and spring plays were also used as fundraisers by the drama club. *Adrift in New York* did not bring in as much money as the previous spring play yet it still brought in a small profit.

The plays allowed young and talented drama students to show their abilities.

"I'm glad I got involved with the play, and I liked helping the cast people with their make-up and costumes," said Christy Stahl.

Another activity that members enjoyed was going to see plays throughout the year. Many members went to *Oklahoma* at the Missouri Theatre and *The Mouse Trap* at the American Heartland Theatre in Kansas City.

Jamie Christenson exclaimed, "I love going to see plays and *The Mouse Trap* was my favorite. I'm glad that we get a chance to do something that we wouldn't do on our own."

Forensics was another opportunity for drama club members, who experienced early mornings. Members numbered to 25.

With the one-act, speech, the plays, and the large membership of drama club, members allowed their skills, talents, and interests to stretch beyond just a classroom or the stage.



In October, the drama club dressed up for the Halloween contest. Travis Jenkins dresses as the opposite sex. Awards were given to the most creative and to the funniest members who dressed for the occasion. Drama members also led songs written for Halloween. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



The one-act is, Front row: C. Higley, and S. Boeh. Row two: S. Nelson, J. Harter, C. Gibson, and R. Boaz. Row three: J. Cash, R. Huff, M. Loroff, A. Bramlage, and J. Huss. Not pictured: Kelly Dishon. Photo by Lyle Rockey.

Drama club members must have many practices before any performance. Drama club members Mandle Loroff, Sarah Boeh, Candy Higley, Rebecca Boaz, Kelly Dishon and Andy Bramlage practice for the one-act. Many drama clubs members work behind the scenes also. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The drama club: front row: N. Kinsey, L. Rosenberger, L. Thomas, S. Schultz, and A. Jensen. Row two: A. Bramlage, R. Scholz, K. Dishon, A. Durbin, C. Stewart, S. Duncan, C. Higley, K. Culp, and S. Oyerly. Row three: J. Huss, N. Mitchell, J. Wiedmer, K. Simmons, H. Campbell, S. Reust, M. Robinson, L. Christenson, and T. Gibson. Row four: R. Boaz, S. Boeh, T. Uplinger, M. Loroff, N. Oyler, S. Wright, C. Hoverson, S. Nelson, and C. Gibson. Row five: A. Moore, K. Hinds, K. Drake, J. Boeh, J. Wykert, K. Heil, J. Christenson, L. Ford, and R. Huff. Row six: J. Cash, L. Huff, C. McNemee, H. Whetstine, J. Engemann, A. Benitz, M. Boeh, and K. Kinsey. Photo by Bray.



The one-act is a part of the drama club that many participate in. One-act members Andy Bramlage, Rebecca Boaz, Sandi Nelson, Regina Huff, Jared Cash, Kelly Dishon, Sarah Boeh, James Huss, and Candy Higley act like children for *How To Eat Like a Child*. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



ew image in fall play

"Who wouldn't want a rich man for a husband?" Meg Wheeler asks, and then quips, "Ask any girl."

Meg Wheeler (Mandie Loroff) played a young lady who goes to New York with the lofty ambition of finding a husband. There she meets the man of her dreams, Evan Doughton (Shane Peden). Or is he? Miles Doughton (Jared Cash) is also out to win Meg's heart, whether he realizes it or not. Meg then has to decide whether she wants a playboy or a steadfast man.

Other cast members included Larry Huff, Becky Boaz, Jaimie Hartter, Annie Jensen, Candy Higley, Regina Huff, Kelly Dishon, Noelle Oyler, Nancy Mitchell, Sarah Boeh, Aaron Clary, Andy Bramlage, Suzie Oyerly, Megan Boeh, and Allisha Benitz, who played the parts of the parents, aunts, friends, and the telephone operator.

Ask Any Girl was a change from past productions at THS. It was set in more recent times, during the 1960's, and some scenes were played in front of the curtain. This only gave the actors the footlight area to walk around on.

Jaimie Hartter, who made her acting debut, said, "I was afraid I was going to fall off the stage when I had to run across!"

Performing scenes in front of the curtain also meant that the new lights had to be hung in front of the stage, which was the first time ever this had been done.

Besides learning lines, the actors and actresses had to remember the props they had to take on or off stage with them.

"I had this box that was supposed to have a chocolate cake in it that I had to carry on and off the stage a few times. I kept forgetting to take it with me so they made a sign and hung it on the door backstage," laughed Candy Higley.

"It's for your own good," explains Miles (Jared Cash) as he is firing Meg (Mandie Loroff) while Evan (Shane Peden) listens, astonished. Photo by Keith Hinds.



There were some minor glitches in the production, such as not-so curly hair and wiring problems.

Mandie Loroff explained, "The plug-in in the dressing room was going crazy, so my hot rollers didn't get hot. My hair was supposed to be curly, because Evan liked curly hair and I was trying to be everything he wanted. Well, my hair wasn't exactly curly, but we pulled it off pretty well!"

Luckily the play went smoothly, and the cast managed to have some fun.

Suzie Oyerly remarked, "Even though my part in the play was small, I still had a great time."

Evan (Shane Peden) is shocked when Miles (Jared Cash) kisses Meg (Mandie Loroff). Photo by Keith Hinds.

Lindsay Christenson wraps Becky Boaz's hair into a bun to fit her part as the mother. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Meg's parents (Becky Boaz and Larry Huff) and her aunts (Annie Jensen and Jaimie Hartter) fight over who gets to read Meg's letter. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Above: Travis Jenkins, head of lights and sound, adjusts the volume of a microphone during dress rehearsal. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

Above Left: Lacey Thomas, head of costumes, and Travis Jenkins, head of lights and sound, take a minute to relax just before the play. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



Left: Fall play cast members are, Front Row, Aaron Clary, Nancy Mitchell, Sarah Boeh, Noelle Oyler, and Suzie Oyerly. Row 2: Regina Huff, Shane Peden, Mandie Loroff, Jared Cash, Kelly Dishon, and Candy Higley. Row 3: Allisha Benitz, Megan Boeh, Jaimie Hartter, Annie Jensen, Larry Huff, Becky Boaz, and Andy Bramlage. Photo by Keith Hinds.



Play features singing

"I tell you that wronged, suspected, outcast, adrift in New York—," Nellie spouts at Francis Desmond.

The spring play was *Adrift in New York or Her First False Step* by Addison Aulger.

The Drama Department at Troy High has always been known for the humorous plays performed in the fall and spring. This year, the play took on a new and refreshing twist. As always, the humor was present, but the cast and crew added a little fun for the audience. The play was a melodrama with singing and dramatic stage actions.

"I have sung solos for many occasions but never for anything like this. It was a lot of fun and a nice change of pace. It was really exciting," exclaimed Candy Higley, a featured soloist.

A melodrama is a play that is fun for everyone. It lets the audience get in on the action. The audience members had cards to follow so they could participate in reactions to the villain and the hero.

"I was really pleased to see the audience so willing to participate. I was kind of skeptical as to whether the audience would be very enthusiastic about participating but they did a really great job and seemed to be having a lot of fun," explained Jared Cash, who played villain Desmond.

The play was about a girl who is tricked into going to New York to find her "fame and fortune" in show business. Desmond tricks Nellie, played by Mandie Loroff, into going to New York so he can seize control of Nellie's family's farm. Desmond sees a fortune in the oil that is

under the farm, which Nellie and her family are unaware of.

Nellie was the classic damsel in distress, but was incomplete without the hero to save her. This was where Jack Merriwell came in. Jack was played by Larry Huff.

Larry said, "Being in this play was great. The stage actions and the singing were really interesting. It was my first experience as a lead actor and it was a lot of fun. It also felt great to be the hero."

The setting took place in two different places, the Weston family farm and Fogarty's Dance Hall in the Bowery District of New York City.

Aaron Clary said, "The best part of the play was practicing the movements of the fights. It was a lot of fun watching Larry and Jared fight and even more fun practicing my own fight with Larry, even though I lost the fight."

Jack followed Nellie to New York to save her from the villain, Desmond. Jack was in love with Nellie long before this all happened, but Nellie didn't realize that the feelings were mutual until Desmond was exposed as the evil villain and only Jack could save her. In the end the villain fell to his doom and the hero prevailed.



"He has promised to make me a great singer," exclaims Mandie Loroff. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Jared Cash has a lot of explaining to do as his wife, Sadie May, played by Candy Higley, interrupts his scheming and tries to expose him to Mandie Loroff. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Playing the hero is Larry Huff as he tries to overpower Jared Cash to impress Mandie Loroff, the damsel in distress. Jared made a habit of falling victim to the stronger and more heroic Larry throughout the play. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Top Left: Larry Huff faces off with Jared Cash for the honor of Nellie once again, while Mandie Loroff stands aside and looks on in surprise. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

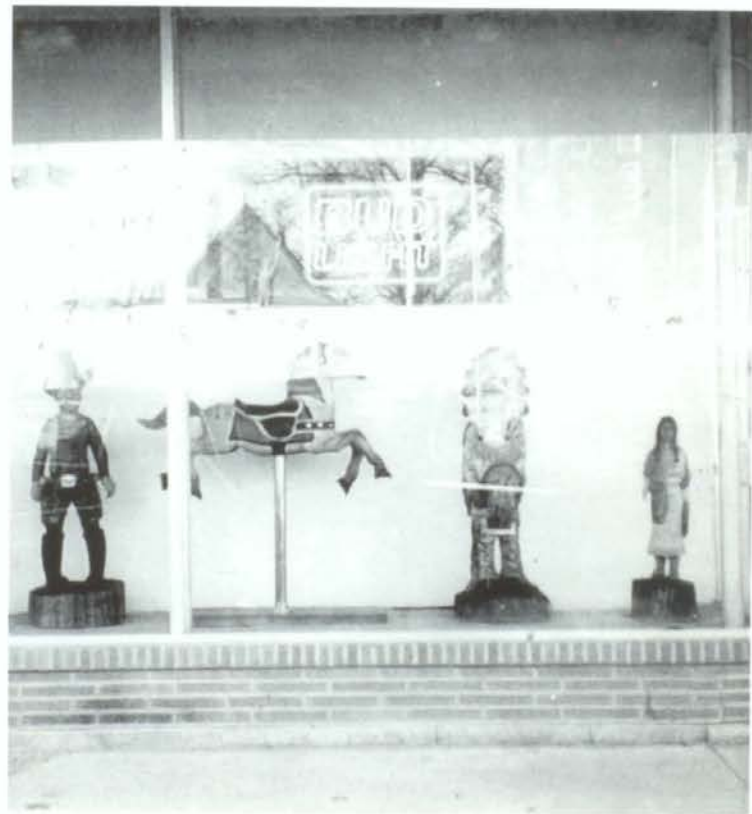
Top Right: Performing at Fogarty's Dance Hall are Candy Higley, Suzie Oyerly, Noelle Oyler, Lindsey Rosenberger and Melissa Campbell. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Aaron Clary reaches for his hat while still on the floor after being confronted by the hero. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Andy Bramlage waits patiently as Christy Gibson finishes his make-up. Andy played Burke. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Troy Feed and Supply moved into the old Harmon-Rhode Funeral Home. They supply feed to many area farmers. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



The Last Chance Saloon moved to a new building and a new display in the window was made by Arlene Smith. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



Businesses play musical chairs

Many Troy businesses relocate

Here we did business in our rural Northeast Kansas town. A few new businesses came to town and a few old ones received a facelift or a new location.

One new business was Troy Feed and Supply.

Dubach Distributors was bought by Mike and Tammy Thornberry. They moved the store into the former Harmon-Rhode Mortuary building and renamed the business Troy Feed and Supply.

"It seems strange that a feed store moved into an old

Back Street Diner has changed names recently but still is a popular place to eat. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



Harmon-Rhode Funeral Home is under the direction of Paul Rohde and recently moved to Main Street. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

funeral home, but it really works pretty well," said Bobby Milbourne, sophomore.

Many businesses that had been in Troy for many years moved to a new location in town.

The Harmon-Rhode Mortuary moved a few blocks to the old laundromat located on Main Street. The entire building was renovated and a back drive was created.

Another business that changed location was the Last Chance Saloon, owned by Harry Smith. He purchased the former Peden's Variety Store and moved his bar and lounge there.

"I like the bar. I think it looks a lot better and there is a lot more space in there. The window looks really good, too. Arlene Smith put in a lot of work on that," said Chris Adkins, senior.

Euler and McQuillan purchased the old tavern building and the SRS office expanded into it.

The Troy Clinic, sponsored by the Atchison Hospital, moved from downtown into a new, readily accessible building on old Highway 36.

"The new Clinic looks really modern. There is a lot more space and it is really up-to-date. It looks really nice," commented Pat Stamper, senior.

The Back Street Diner changed hands and received a new name. It had formerly been known as Blue Plate Special and Berta's Kountry Kitchen.

Here we do business and business is good.



The Troy Clinic moved to a new location. It is the office of Dr. Kim Twombly and Gary McIntosh, P.A. Photo by Mandie Loroff.

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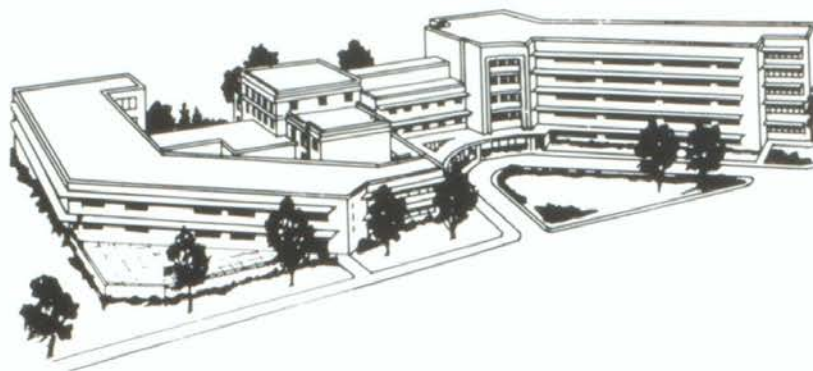
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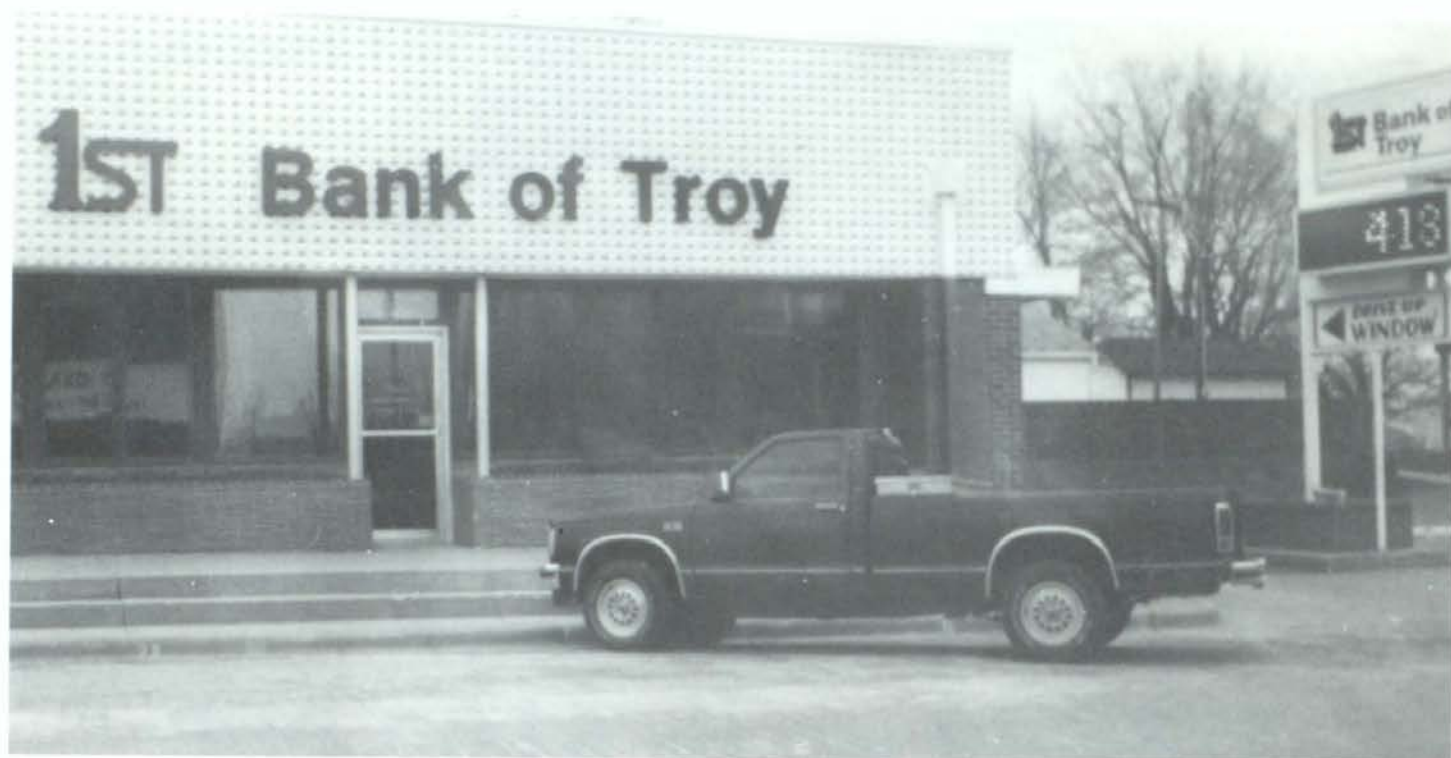
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Becky,
 Congratulations! You have given us every reason to be very proud of you.
 Thank you for being you.
 Isaiah 40:31
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Jaimie,
 We know this last year has been very challenging for you. You are doing a great job of hanging in and going after what you want. We know that with your mind and determination you will be changing the world for a better place. We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments.
 We all love you!
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Benjy,
 We are very proud of your many accomplishments and we know it is only the beginning. You have the ability to do anything you want with your life. We support you in whatever you choose and wish you success and happiness.
 We Love You,
 Mom, Dad, and Stephanie

Linds,
 You are everything we could have asked for in a daughter. We are very proud of you and always will be. Congratulations in all you have achieved and are going to achieve. We will always be behind you all of the way. Always keep your head up high and keep smiling.
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, Jamie, B.J., and Brett



Shane,
 It seems only yesterday that you were the little guy pictured here. Suddenly you are a man. Congratulations on a great job to this point, and best of luck in the future.
 Thank you for making me so proud of you.
 With love always,
 Dad



Lonna,
 You were a beautiful baby, Now quite a young lady.
 We're so proud of you-Good Luck, Sweetie, in everything you do!
 We love you,
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Megan,
 God has blessed you with special eyes, and hands. Always believe in yourself, and the power you have to control your own life day by day. Believe in the strength that you have deep inside, and your faith will help show you the way. Believe in tomorrow and what it will bring, let a hopeful heart carry you through, for things will work out if you trust and believe-there's no limit to what you can do!
 Lots of Love,
 Mom, Dad, and Regan



Candy,
 We want you to know we're so proud to have you in our family. We're proud of you for who you are and all you've done. You are a very talented young lady.
 We are always "Standing in the Gap for you" as you look to a wonderful future. God Bless!
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, Tara, and Travis



Dear Damon,
 Well, son, it looks like you're finally graduating and it only took 12 years! I was worried I might have to burn the school down to get you out. Just Kidding! You know I'm very proud of you. Damon don't forget you're very special to all your family and God has a special plan for your life.
 Love,
 Mom



Jeremy,
 We are proud of the young man you have become and proud of your accomplishments, but this is only the beginning. May the next step in your life be a rewarding experience. We know that you have the capability and determination to do whatever you choose to do. Congratulations!
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 You've always been full of surprises, but never a disappointment. Your love for the Lord, inner strength, and character God gave you never ceases to amaze us and will always carry you through any situation. You're a great mom, a wonderful daughter, and friend. We're proud of you and your many accomplishments and know you will always persevere. May the Lord bless you and keep you always.
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Jennifer,
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Love,
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Dearest Patrick (Pat-Pat),
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Shane,
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Craig,
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Mandie,
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Jeremy and Jennifer,
Congratulations on completing this phase of your life. You are very special young people and we are proud of both of you. May you always remain close friends.
Love,
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Joel,
You made it! I know a lot of teachers wondered about it, but you did it, and I knew you would. You've grown into a young man so fast it's hard to believe. I am so proud of you, and I always was, and will be. Your father is smiling down on you from heaven.
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Staci,
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All of your accomplishments have made us very, very proud of you. Just remember-"In a race, everyone runs, but only one person gets first prize. So run your race to win." God bless you always!

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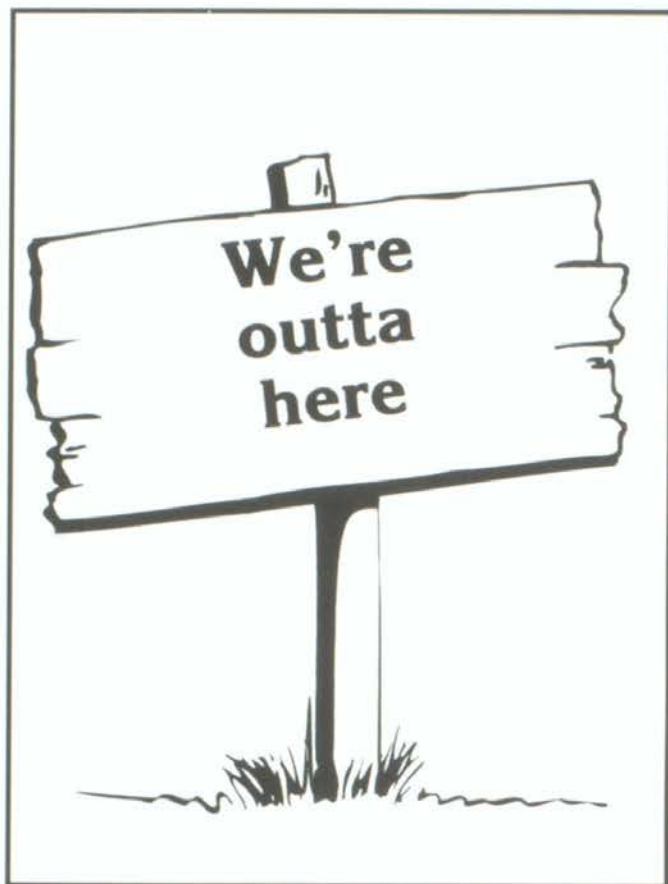
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The final high school event for the seniors was graduation. Robert Robinson and Lonna Neumann proceed down the aisle during the ceremony. Photo by Michael Grable.



Travis Jenkins crosses the finish line of his race. Graduation marked the end of the race for the seniors. Photo by Regina Huff.

Happiness and excitement were the primary emotions at graduation when the seniors finally made it to the end. Although there were tears, they were few and far between.

The end of the year also brought stress for many students trying to raise that B to an A any way they knew how.

Seniors said goodbye to high school forever, while juniors said "Hello, senior year!" Everyone said goodbye to some part of the familiar and stepped into the unknown—for seniors, college or a full-time job; for underclassmen, new classes and a new rank in seniority.

We're outta here!

