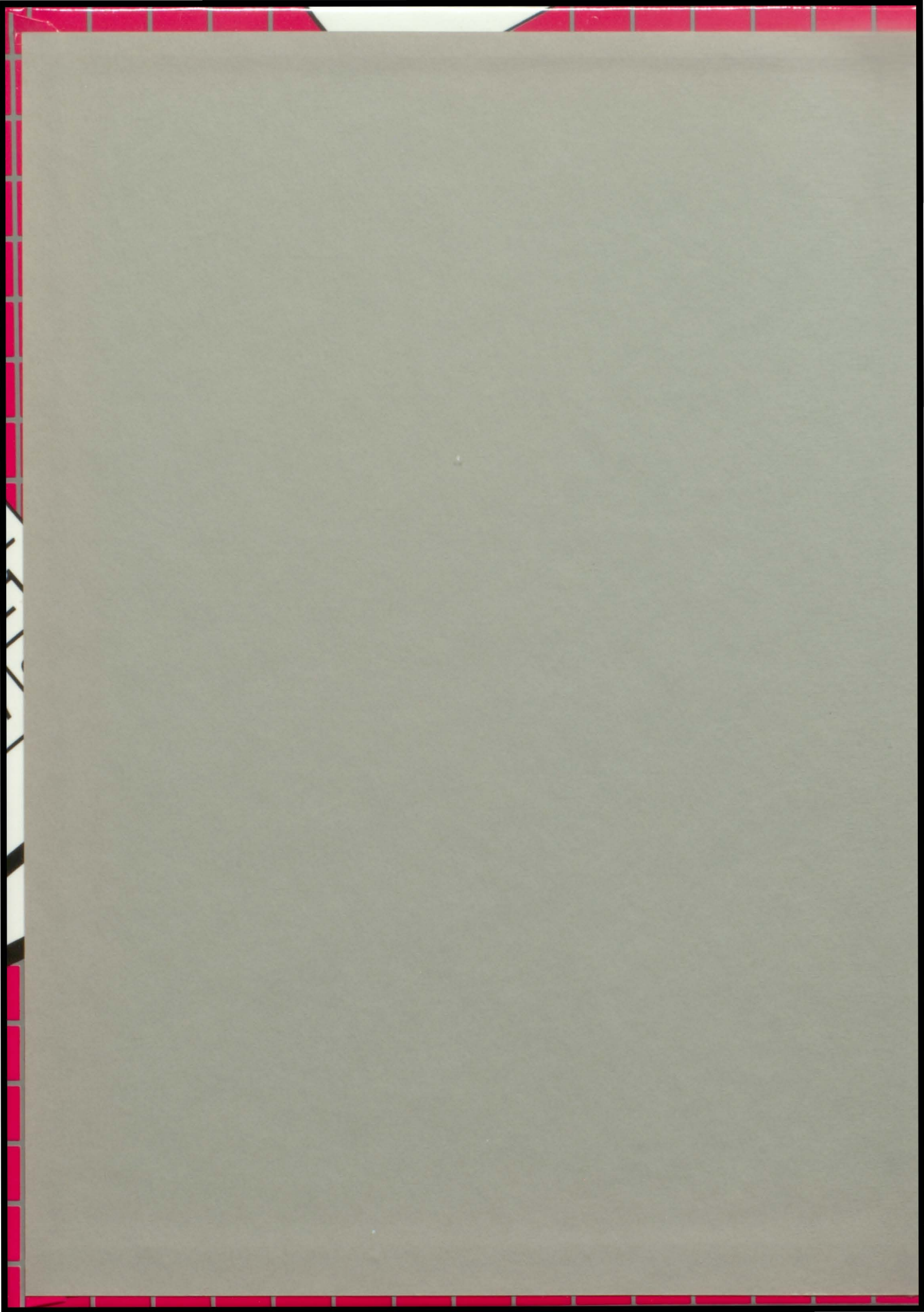


# Changing Times

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# Changing Times

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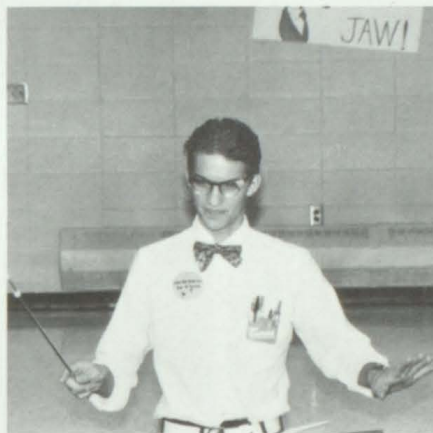
Changing Times, which expresses some of the recent changes at WHS, seems to be a fitting theme for the 1986 Chieftain. The yearbook staff has made an effort to cover some of these changes, along with recapturing some of the die-hard traditions at Waconia. The 1985-86 school year has been an exciting one, full of ups and downs. Students, as in every year, had their share of good times mixed with difficult ones. The Friday night parties, the

dances, the games, and other activities created good times and memories for WHS students. However, an occasional forgotten assignment or a bad test grade, resulting in disappointed teachers, created a few problems for some students. But this year students were also allowed to enjoy lunch in the place of their choice, seniors had an option to go to college second semester, and more interesting, new classes were offered, including Pre-Calculus, Technology Con-

cepts, and ReCare. Outside of school, the football team made a positive change and students showed a renewed sense of school spirit. Other student activities, such as the Women's Chamber Ensemble, the fall musical, the ski trips to Afton, and the P.I. food drive added to the momentum this year. 1985-86 has been an interesting school year, full of exciting new changes and enjoyable traditions.

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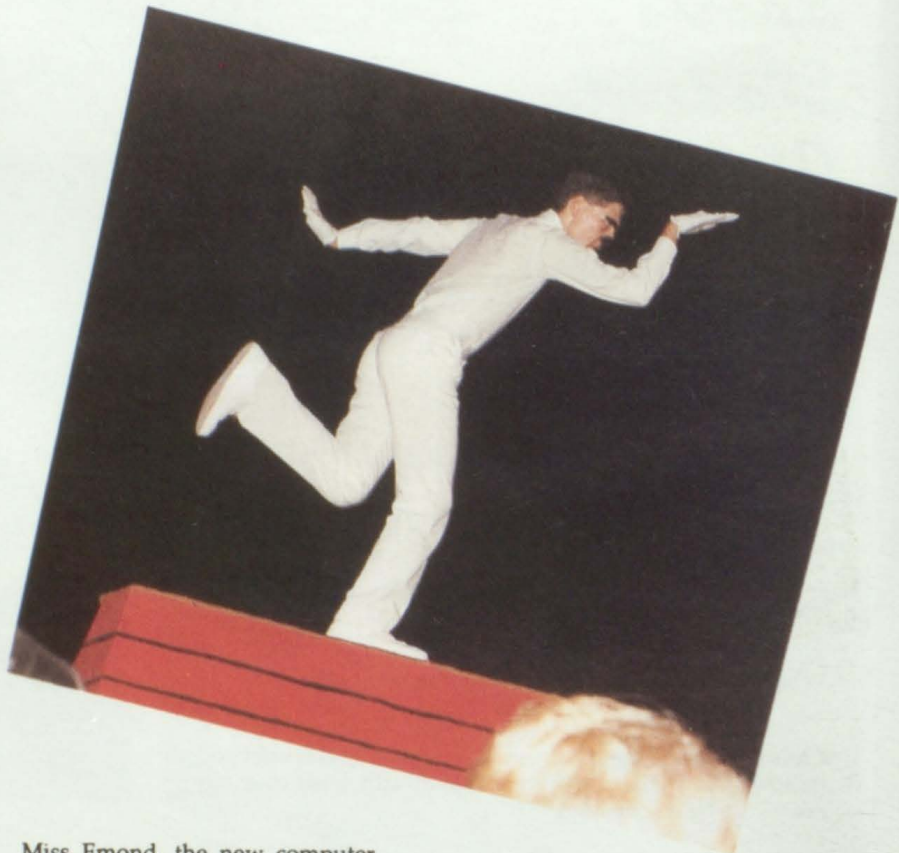
## A Change For The Better

Through the years, WHS has gone through many changes, most of them for the better. This year has brought about many positive changes. These changes include the open lunch shift, which became a successful experiment for senior high students, the concert choir's appearance at the Dome for the Prep Bowl games, and, after some controversy, the changing of the fall musical to "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." Also, the football team experienced a successful season, making it to regionals with only two losses. Some other less recognized changes in school this year were the additional classes offered, such as Computer Programming, taught by newcomer Miss Emond, and ReCare, taught by Mrs. Carlson. All in all, the changes at WHS made the year exciting and successful.

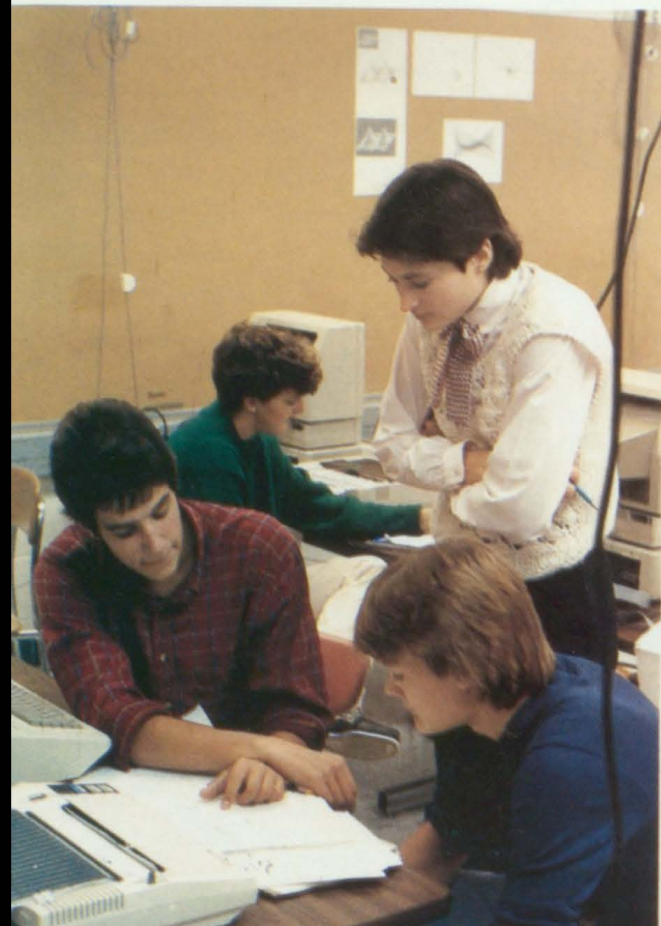
The WHS Concert Choir is impressive as they sing 'The Star Spangled Banner' at the 1985 Prep Bowl games.

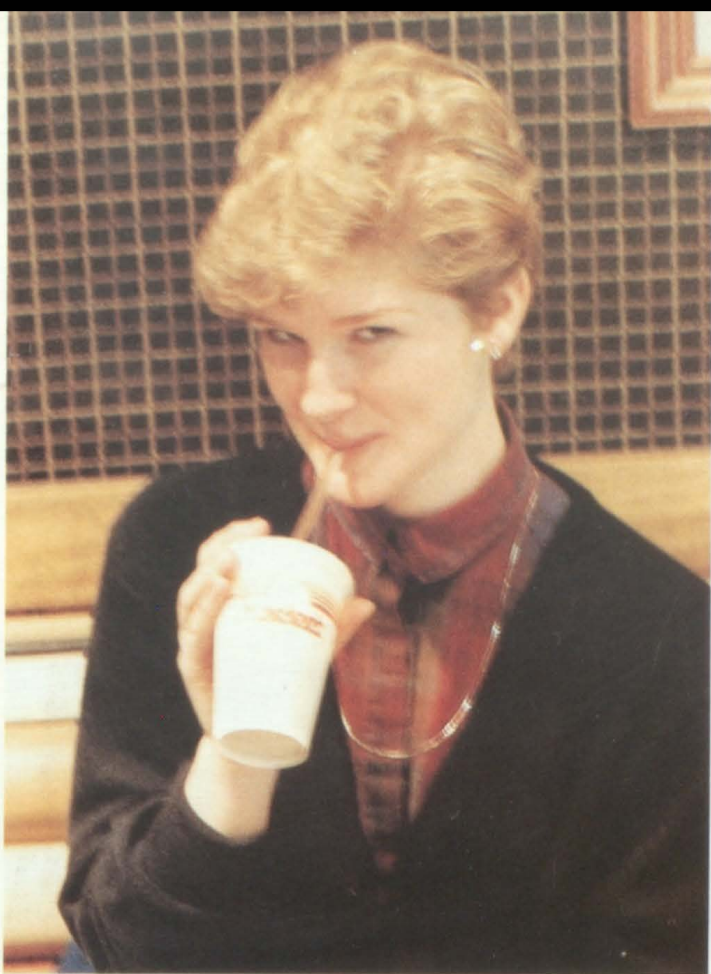


Scott Foss, as Snoopy, creates a 'trophy' stance in the musical 'You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown.'



Miss Emond, the new computer teacher, answers Matt Peterson's question as Mark Kopp looks on.





Barb Guettler, a senior, enjoys the new open lunch program at Hardee's.

Bill Koppi, a junior on the football team, practices hard.

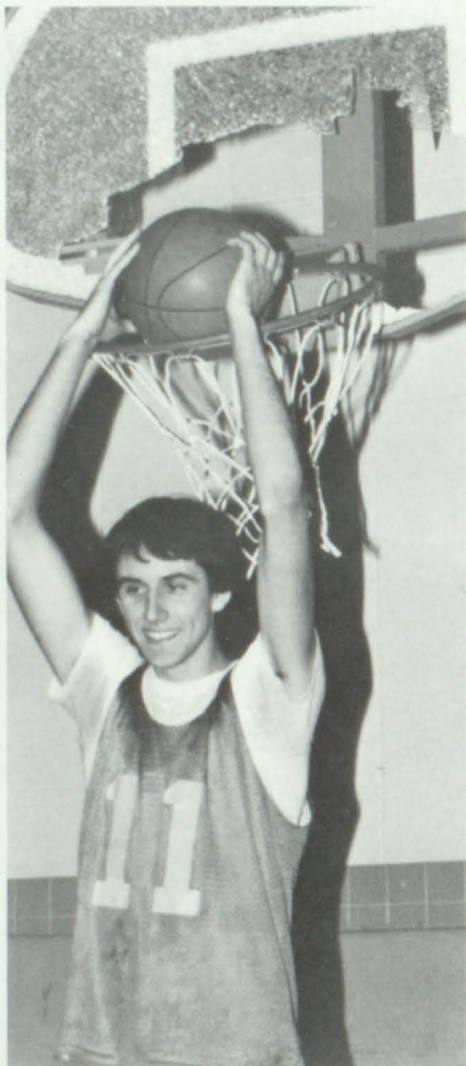


Christie Frazier, Jane Hudinsky, Queen Shelly Giesen, Becky Dahlke, Kathy Ebert and Julie Braunwarth pose as senior royalty for Homecoming 1985.

# Here's To Fun!

What is your idea of fun? A class party without chaperones? A dance at the Lakeside? Going to a movie or out to eat? Maybe cheering on a Basketball game?

Almost anything seems appealing after a tiresome week. With the combined responsibility of school, a part-time job, and other activities, the pressures of the average high school student can be very high. As a result, students develop many ways to have fun. Some act in plays, some play sports or ski (water and snow) and some just like to find a place to party and relax.



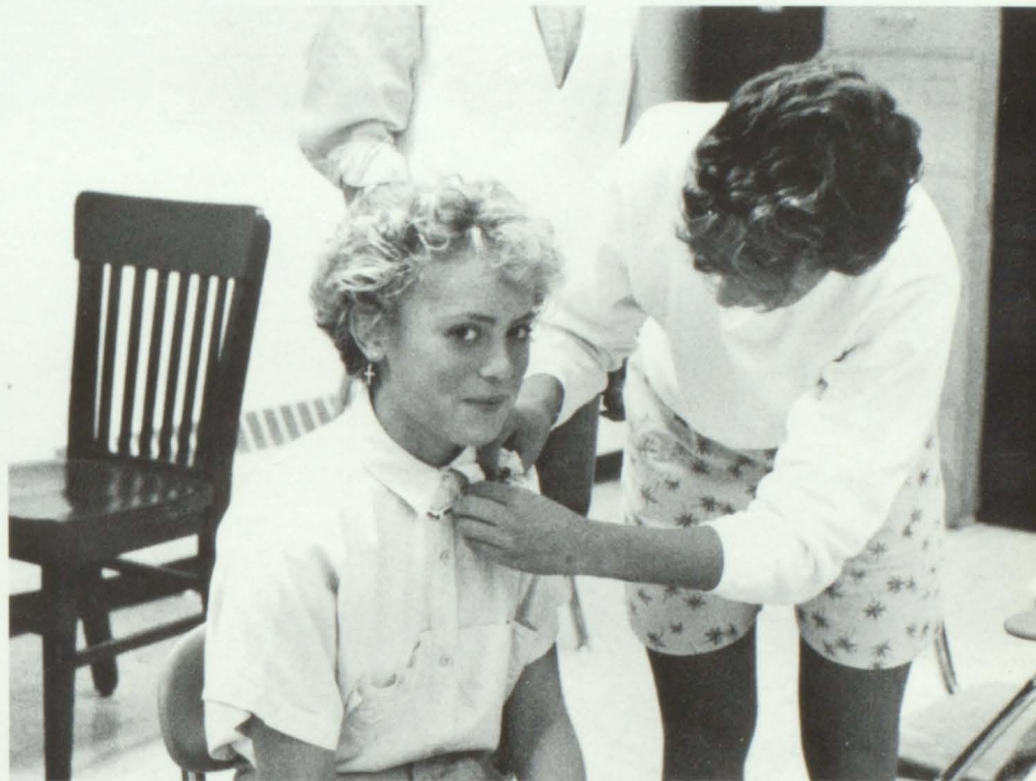
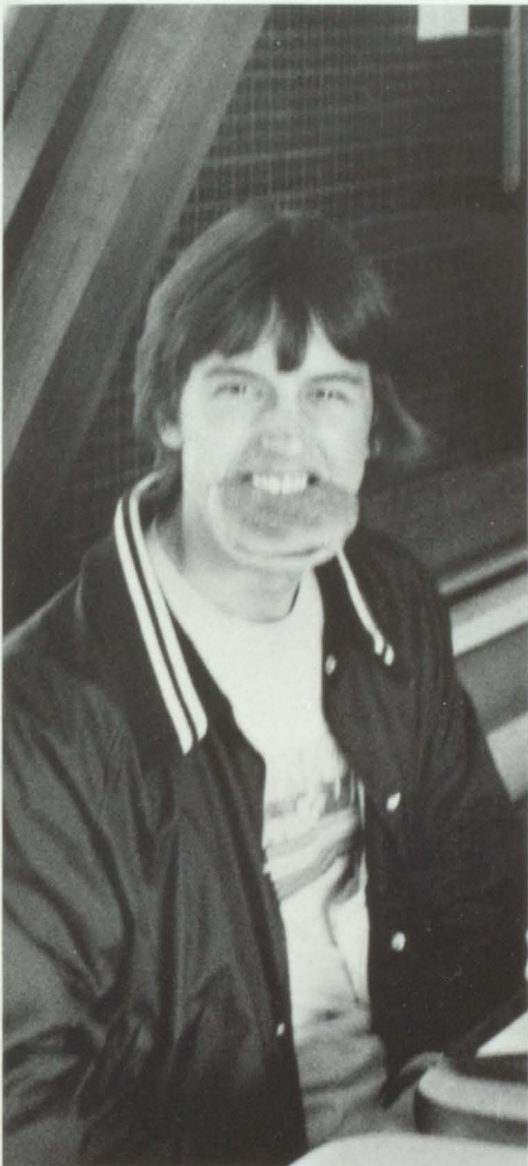
Mark Hilgers makes a smashing shot.



Top. Traci Wilson and Jodi Bednar clown around between classes.

Above. Holly Bentz and Jenny Theis relax after Coronation.





Ann Thurk leads a cheer enthusiastically at a pep fest.

Cathy Giesinger, Homecoming mascot, leads the sophomore victory yell.

Keith Goetz "macs out" on a Hardee's burger.

Catherine Kirsch pins Jane Hudinsky with a flower and a smile.

# Some Things Never Change

Although the past year has brought about many changes at WHS, some things have remained unaltered throughout the years. Among these are the traditional student habits, such as decorating lockers, indulging in junk food, and supporting the school athletic teams. Some basic domestic skills prove to be useful to students regardless of changing times. The need for classes such as foods, shop, and science will never run out. Some of the 'old stand-bys' at WHS have stuck through the changing times and created a memorable tradition.



Cady Connery and Jenny Roeser contemplate the art of baking cookies.

Lockers become second homes for creative students.

"This won't hurt a bit . . ." Richard Happ and Scott Foss dissect a cat as Andrea Fulkerson looks on in horror.

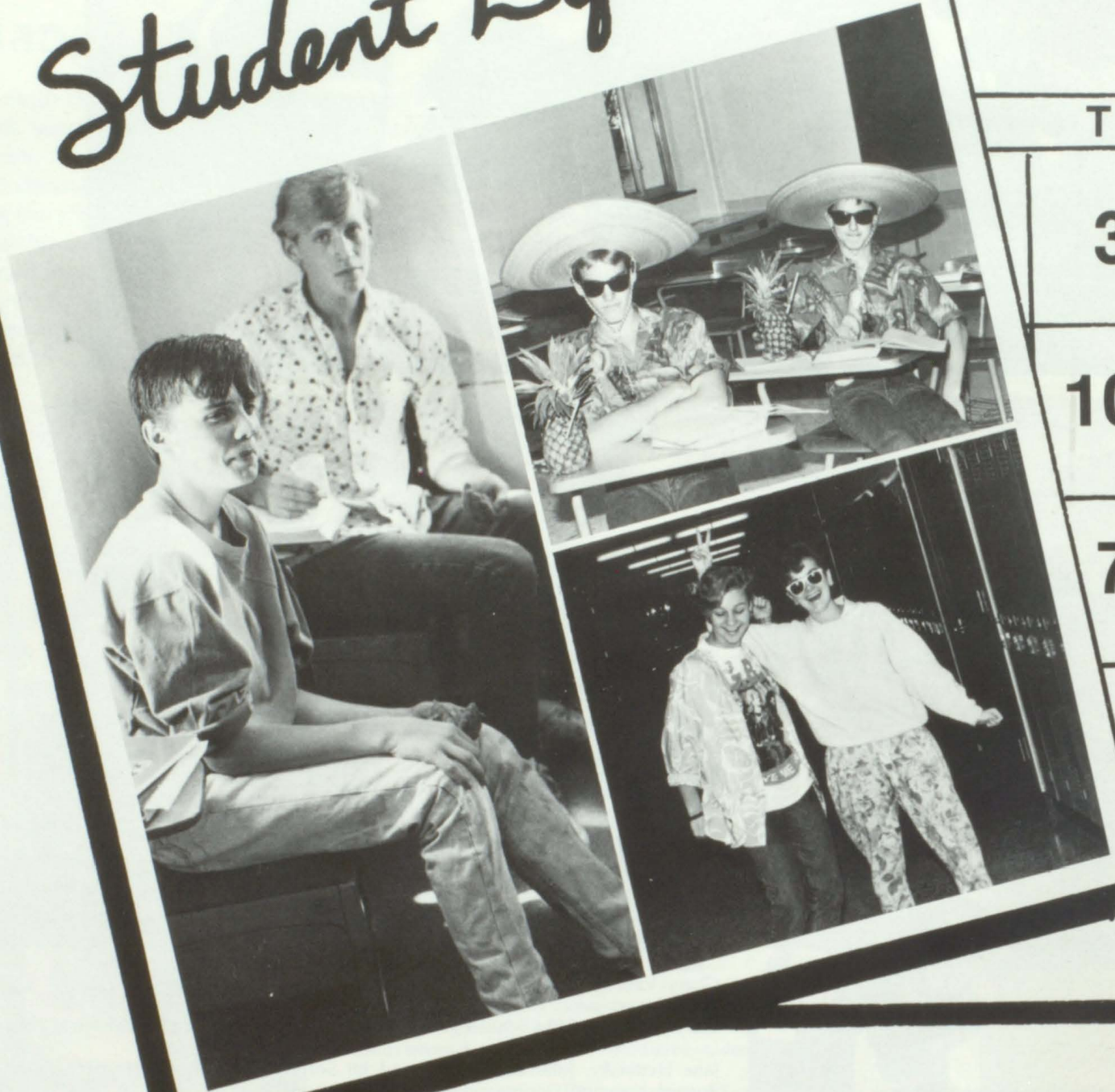


Cheryl VanHorn and Catherine Kirsch keep warm at a football game.

Tony Kunze and Mike Schuler get final revenge on football coach Mr. Benson at a pepfest.

Jane Hudinsky, Julie Braunwarth, and Jill Seeley show 'cultural' student eating habits in Spanish class with Doritos and Guacamole.

# Student Life



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# Chiefs And Fans Show Spirit!

"Gimme an S . . . Gimme a P . . .  
Gimme an I . . . Gimme an R . . .  
Gimme an I . . . Gimme a T . . ."

We've all heard about *spirit* whether it's from an irate coach at half-time, a schoolmate, or a cheerleader's cheer, as below, but few of us, when asked, could really find an adequate definition of the

word. What is spirit? Is it the determination of a player to take his team out of a slump, the fidelity of a fan who supports his team through near-blizzard conditions, or the undying pep of a cheerleader who yells for her team even if they are losing? Spirit is all of these things and more.

Students at WHS show their school and team spirit in many ways, but never is it more evident than during Homecoming week when students dress up, go to coronation, attend pep rallies, cheer their team to victory at the Homecoming game, and celebrate at the Homecoming dance.





**Opposite Page.** Shelly Giesen enthusiastically leads a cheer.

**Left.** The pep band plays a hummer of a song, Hubba! Hubba!



**Above.** Ron Goetz shows his spirit by taking part in the Homecoming pep fest.

**Center Left.** Sara Kunze grits her teeth in an intense moment during a basketball game.

**Lower Left.** The football players psych themselves up before the big Homecoming game.



## Open Lunch Offers New Freedom To Students

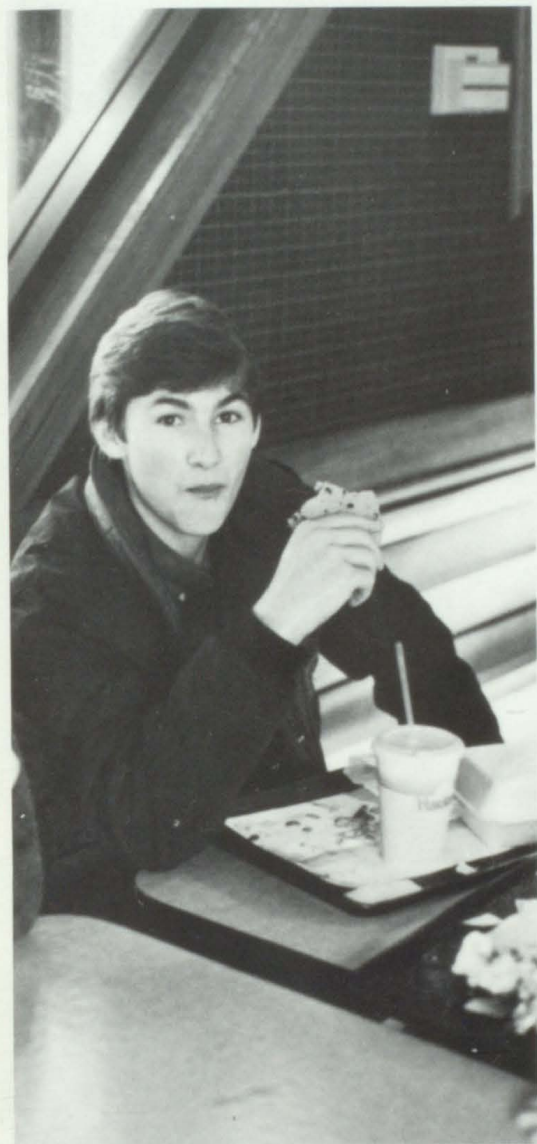
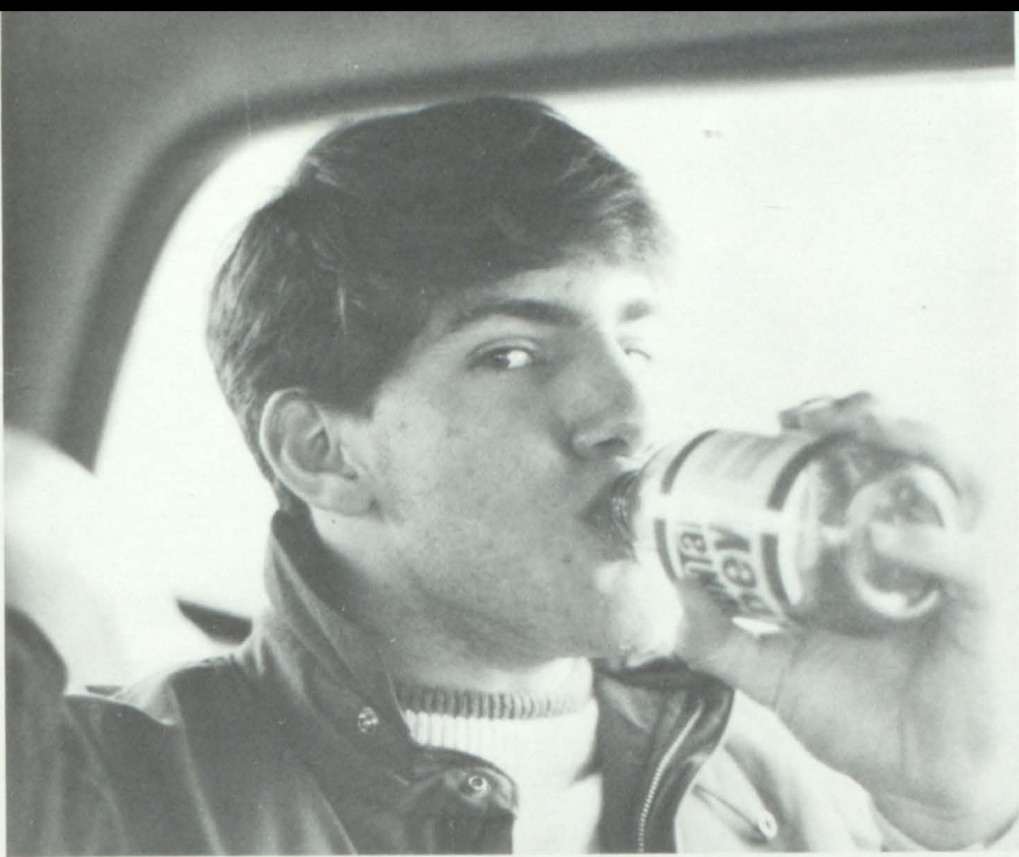
Open lunch, new to WHS this year, was an opportunity that many people took advantage of. The new freedom was appealing to students. The most popular off campus places to eat were Hardee's, Mackenthun's, Lord Jim's, the Lovin' Oven Bakery, and home sweet home.

After eating out a few times, many students realized the school lunch was the best deal in town. The one dollar school lunch offered more food cheaper than anywhere in town. The higher price didn't bother the people who ate out because they thought the freedom of choice and just getting away were worth the extra money.

**Top.** Julie Braunwarth says, "Quick, I need a shopping cart!"  
**Right.** Karyn Otto and Cady Connery enjoy a quick lunch at Hardee's.







**Top Left.** John Ebert, like all basketball players, loves that Dew.  
**Left.** Chris Hanson eats a man-sized cookie at Hardee's.

**Top Right.** Dean Otto shows that open lunch is expensive as he hands the cashier at Mackenthun's the big bucks.  
**Above.** According to Shelly Veverka, the fork is the main course to any real diet.

# ***Skiing!***

On many summer days Waconia students can be found skiing, boogie-boarding, barefooting, and slaloming on Lake Waconia or Lake Pearson. When winter rolls around, the water skis give way to downhill skis. People take off for the local ski areas in the Twin Cities for some fairly good winter skiing. Many Waconia students enjoy both water and downhill skiing and are very good skiers.





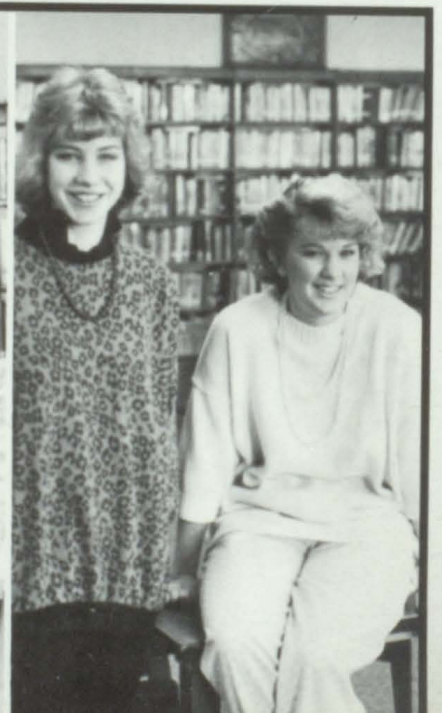
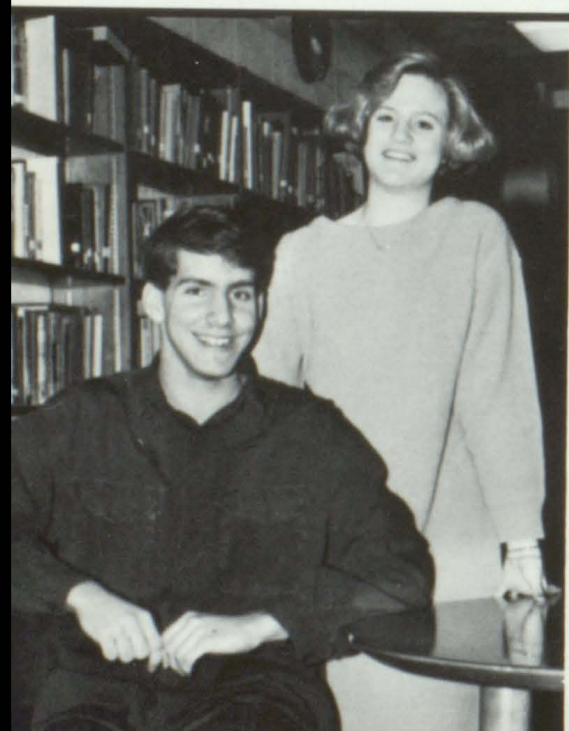
**Opposite Page.** Junior Eric Strong makes impressive cuts on Lake Waconia.  
**Top Left.** Sophomore Kyle Berger does a "Butterfly" at Wild Mountain.  
**Left.** The aftermath of an indescribable wipeout, with seniors Mark Williams, Andrew Lake, and Dean Otto from left to right in the back and Chris Ratzlaff suffering in the front.  
**Top.** Junior Jason Eveslage shows his expertise on the slopes with a "Spread Daffy."  
**Above.** Sophomore Kyle Berger again shows that flying over the slopes is more fun than skiing on them.



The 1985-86 school year has brought about many exciting and surprising fashion trends. The old saying "History repeats itself" is certainly true in many popular fashion trends. As shown by Jenny Roeser on the opposite page, the 20's thigh-length sweater and 50's stirrup pants combine together for a hot new 80's look, while the printed pants that John Ebert is wearing (below) and heavy jewelry bring back the psychedelic 60's look. Hair for 1986 seems to be an individual preference, as Gretchen Salzl makes a statement on the opposite page. Still, a hair necessity at WHS seems to be styling mousse or gel, as shown by Shelly Veverka and Cady Connery (below). A totally new trend is the graphic watch craze. Way-out watches with paisley or neon geometric backgrounds are popular, and brands such as Swatch, A-Watch and Guess are frequently purchased for around \$30.00. But, in spite of new trends, the old standby of sweatshirts and jeans will never fade out.



# Fun Fashions





## WHAT'S HOT!

Paisley  
 Stirrup pants  
 Graphic watches  
 Boots  
 High top tennis shoes  
 Black jeans  
 Coca-cola clothes  
 Printed Bermuda shorts  
 Bloom County  
 Flamingos (pink)  
 Safety pins  
 Over-sized sweaters

## WHAT'S NOT

Disco  
 Polyester Leisure suits  
 Bell-bottoms  
 Plaid suitcoats  
 Cowboy hats  
 Greasy hair  
 Wing-collars  
 Hula-hoops  
 "Where's the Beef"  
 commercials  
 Friendship beads (pins)

## Fact File

SENIOR QUESTION: What do you think was most memorable about the 1985-86 school year?

**David Crislip** — Football '85, AFS weekend (Juan). "It's Friday!"

**Christie Frazier** — "Let's go to the laudromat!" Fish houses, hot tub, Daneline #1, track managers.

**Amy Ebert** — Coronation party, Mr. Blassey's paper airplane throwing contest.

**Scott Foss** — The unequivocal quotes about our riff-raff in band (romper room)! They were a 'gas'!

**Lisa Holtmeier** — Football games, shuttle explosion, Video parties, "Can we watch Gremlins now?" USMC friends.

**Joey Ebert** — The Waconia football team doing so well.

**David Kahlow** — Where is his fish house, anyway? I don't care if my fries aren't ready!

**Ann Karels** — T.P. jump in, the lights are on! Quick, hide in the ditch! Perkins, cast party.

**Kari Storms** — Perkins run. HEY DUDE! That's not my sister!

**Stacy Kramer** — Where's your Mickey Mouse party straw?

**Di Ohlsen** — Where's your bear, Mr. Blassey?

**Paul Larson** — Hootin' and hollerin' at pep band.

**Andrew Lake** — Skiing, Halloween, sports, Abundantly excessive blessings on all you flip-pant scags!

**Lori Schmidt** — Rockin' with Shaw!

**Daniel Traver** — Graduation day, when we go out on our own and hopefully succeed in everything we try.

**Gary Storms** — M&M's and Circus Peanuts.

**Jim Clarke** — The AWESOME football team!

**Carol Olson** — Friday nights at Lakeside.

**Paula Buetow** — HTC van ride.

**Craig Pearson** — Waconia 'Pride' football team, flour bombs, eggs, and a dead cat, the bear in the quarter mile.

**David Fischer** — Charlie Brown, Paper fight in Mr. Blassey's class. Pep band.

**Shelly Giesen** — The Last Round, Super Bowl.

**Gretchen Lehmann** — Tim's Superbowl party. Meet at Mackenthun's. New Year's Eve.

**Mike Koosman** — Life's been good to me so far

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**Dean Otto** — Ratz's Scout, Kooz's Blazer, fish house parties, 'Oh, no! The Crüe is here!'

**Keith Lemke** — How fast we goin'? Ninety, why, are you scared?

**Randy Peitz** — Everybody meet at Mark's fish house, we're going for the record.

**Wendy Johnson** — Announcing the yearbook to the whole senior high.

**Chris Ratzlaff** — We better hurry, it's almost 10:00! Cheeseburger — 99¢. Who has some gum?



## News Briefs

### AIDS — Rock Hudson

This year, at the age of 59, Rock Hudson died. He had contracted the disease of AIDS after living a life of carefully closeted homosexuality. The star is gone, but his memory lingers on in the hearts of his many loyal fans.

### Which Coke . . . What Pepsi?

Coca-Cola, trying to improve its rapidly diminishing sales, changed its flavor during the course of 1985. However, for most loyal Cokaholics, the new taste fell flat. Classic Coke and New Coke are both presently available.

### Facts and Figures '85

- The federal deficit was in excess of \$200 billion. The national debt: nearly \$2 trillion.
- "Back to the Future" was the biggest box office draw, grossing \$190 million. More than 53 million people saw the film.
- "Cosby Show" was the top rated T.V. series.
- International terrorism — 782 lives claimed.
- AIDS Death toll — 8122 lives.
- Civil-aviation accidents — 1948 lives — worst year in history.
- business deal, most expensive — takeover of RCA by GE for 6.28 billion.
- Natural disasters killed more than 44,000 people
- Orson Wells died at age 70.
- Soviet leader Chernenko died at 73.

## Fact File

**JUNIOR QUESTION:** What was the funniest thing that happened in school this year?

**Leah Sandbo** — I would always walk into the wrong room during 7th period.

**Kari Rademacher** — Brunch with my friends at the Dairy Queen parking lot.

**Michelle Biddle** — When someone stood up at a band concert when they weren't supposed to.

**Brian Carlson** — The eight-pound northern that jumped out of Christie Fraizer's locker.

**John Kunze** — Pee Wee Herman strut, fish house parties.

**Cady Connery** — When Scott Noble, 'the Crue stud' fell in Foods class while making eyes and attempting to impress a certain female.

**Dean Kutzke** — When Tony Goetz got stuck on the lake during lunch.

**Chris Parpart** — When Troy Ische had bacon in his locker for a few months. He finally opened the book it was in two weeks later in Bookkeeping class.

**Josh Mortensen** — When Ische had Lindberger cheese put in his locker for a week.

**Mark Hilgers** — When we put a cat's claws and tail from Anatomy in Troy's locker.

**Mark Stender** — When Troy Ische was taking a Woods test and answered the question, 'Name two ways to cover the edges of plywood.' He answered, 'With a Z ceramic side addition.' That is how the joke began.

**Bryan Storms** — When Troy found his hubcaps in his locker and threw them down the hall not knowing they were his. He still has no hubcaps on his car.

**Julie Weinzierl** — Bryan Storms and Todd Grams fight in the parking lot at school — Bryan came out with stitches, he still won.

**Brian Shupe** — When Mr. Lindemann shocked himself in Auto Maintenance.

**Troy Ische** — When someone put a glazed doughnut in my accounting book.

## National International

### The Challenger

The Nation rocked first with surprise, then terror on January 28, 1986, at precisely 11:39.13 a.m., when the space shuttle Challenger exploded. In that moment, 5 men and 2 women who dared to leave the safety of Earth seemingly vanished, their passing marked only by a 10-mile high cloud which hung in the air for hours. The astronauts included Ellison S. Onizuka, Christa McAuliffe, (the school teacher), Gregory B. Jarvis, Judith A. Resnik, Michael J. Smith, Francis R. Scobee, and Ron E. McNair.

### Mexican Earthquake

On September 19, 1985, one of the worst earthquakes of this century devastated much of Mexico's capital city. The next day a second quake struck. In all, 7000 people were killed, 30,000 were injured, and 50,000 were left homeless. Although many died, there were many miraculous survivals.

### The Event of a Lifetime

Halley's comet, which appears every 76 years, returned during 1985-86. Scientists and skywatchers worldwide made every effort to view this wonderous sight, last seen in 1910.

### Statue of Liberty

During December, 1985, the torch of the Statue of Liberty was restored. As a whole, the Statue will be repaired during the course of 1986.

## Headlines

### The Summit Conference

The Reagan-Gorbachev summit conferences were held on November 19-20, 1985, in Geneva, Switzerland. The conferences were held in attempt to reach an agreement between the U.S. and Soviet Union on arms control. The conferences didn't actually accomplish much, except to melt the ice of the cold war felt between the U.S. and the Soviet Union for several decades.

### Terrorism Strikes Again (and Again)

Several acts of terrorism killed and injured hundreds of people in 1985-86. Terrorist bombs aimed at El Al Airlines killed 14 and injured more than 100 people at the Rome and Vienna airports in December, 1985.

TWA's flight 847 included 150 passengers, 2 of whom were killed when the plane was hijacked by Islamic Jihad terrorists.

The Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro was seized by Palestinian terrorists, who killed an American tourist, October, 1985.

### Colombian Volcano

Late one November night, in Colombia, a mountain exploded, nearly obliterating the town of Armero, once the home of 25,000 victims of the worst volcanic disaster in 25 years.

### Libyan Conflict

On April 14, 1986, the U.S. claimed it had "exact, precise and irrefutable" evidence that Libya was behind a recent West Berlin terrorist attack on a bistro frequented by Americans. The U.S. then conducted a series of air strikes against "terrorist centers" in Libya.

## Fact File

**SOPHOMORE QUESTION:** What was your most embarrassing/memorable moment this year?

**Mark Goede** — My first day of school here. It was great!

**Bobby Deardorff** — When the 10th grade football team beat Chaska 8-6.

**Paul Kelzer** — Going to the National FFA Convention.

**Traci Wilson** — When all the guys came running around Marnie and me, yelling, "cat fight!" when we were just kidding around.

**Andy Buik** — I plead the 5th. No comment.

**Steve Buetow** — When I played 10th grade basketball.

**Cathy Giesinger** — When I was the mascot for Homecoming.

**Jason Heinen** — When you showed my picture in the yearbook presentation.

**Brad Heyer** — Open lunch — WOW!

**Danny Mason** — I got the wrong schedule and ended up going to all the wrong classes the first day of school.

**Carl Radde** — When Jeff Wagener came to school with his mother's pantyhose in his shirt.

**Brian Reichenberger** — When I was late to Trnka's class three days in a row.

**Karla Storms** — When me and Gretchen walked into school with our freshly dyed black hair. Everyone hated it badly, and a certain teacher calls us the Bobbsey twins.

**Bob Stelten** — When everyone took me seriously about my girlfriend Billy in the Shakopee Reformatory — it was only a story.

**Lara Logelin** — Volleyball!!

## State News

### The Ice Castle

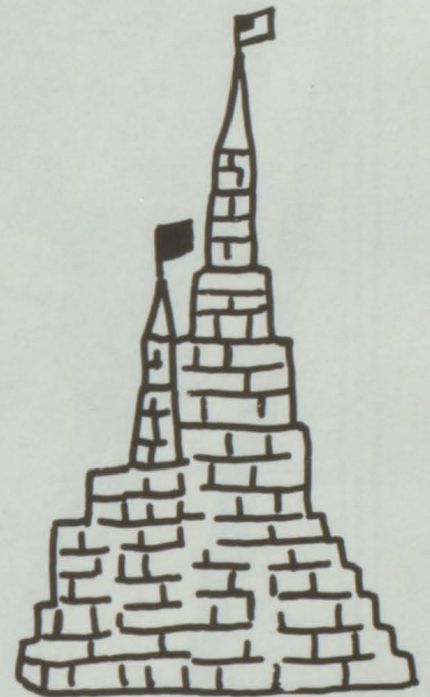
This year's St. Paul Winter Carnival featured an ice castle 127'10" tall. This structure, built by more than 700 volunteers from the Minnesota Building Trades, is the tallest ice structure built in the 20th century.

### Hormel Strike

During 1985 in Austin, MN, the union P-9 of Hormel went on strike for higher wages. Many celebrities supported this demand through rallies, and when the demand was not met, several street riots resulted. The divisive ordeal lasted over 9 mos.

### New Businesses on Highway 5

Recently, several new Waconia businesses have been popping up along Highway 5. These include two new eating establishments. Hardee's and D'Vinci's, Everson's Hardware, and MGN Liquor Warehouse.



# Sports



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## Football, Chiefs' Style!!!

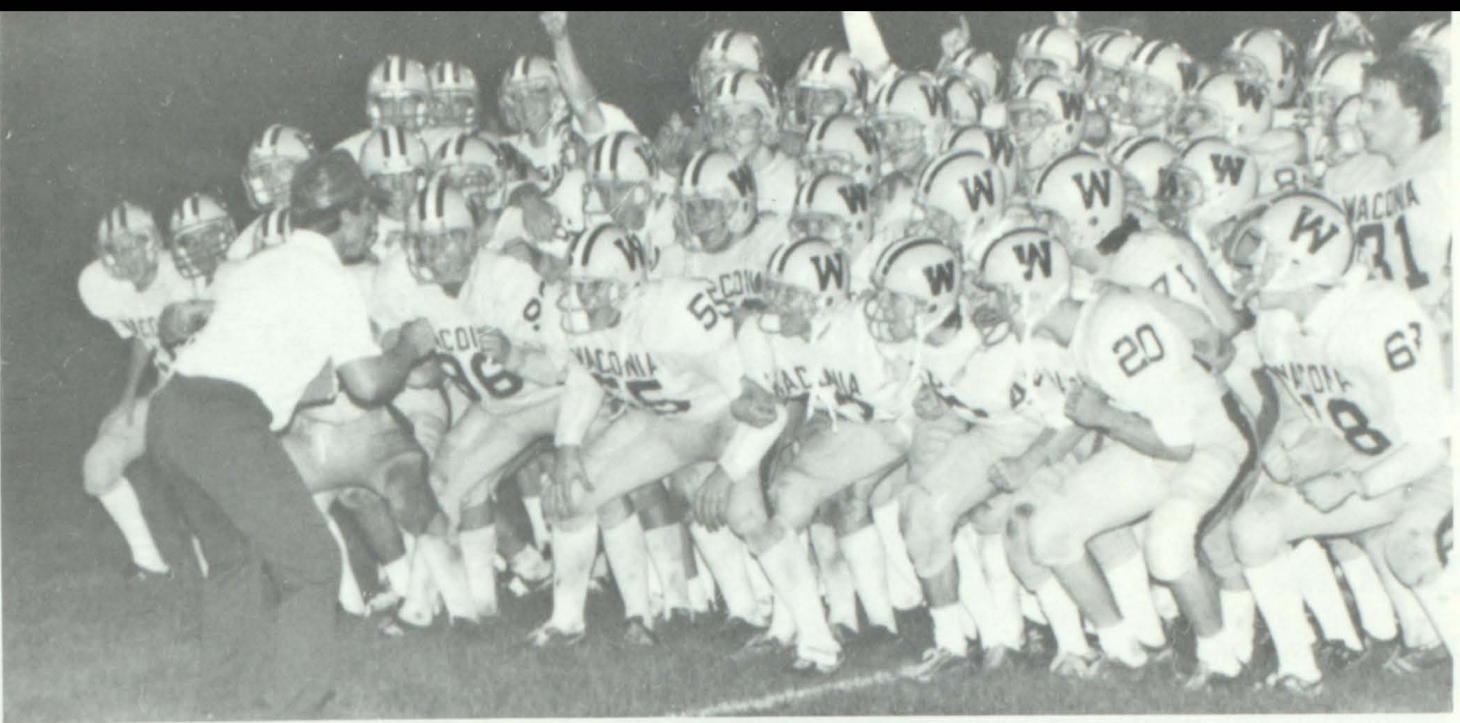
3:00 — time for most students to head home. But for some 50+ Chief football players, it's practice time! And practice they did, with their hard work and dedication paying off in an outstanding season. The Chiefs were victorious over some tough teams, including a win over Shakopee for the first time since 1964. They placed an impressive second in both conference and districts.

Credit must be given to head coach Ken McDonald, line coach Robin Jacobs, defensive coordinator Kim Benson, and sophomore coach Steve Hullander. Through the efforts of these men as well as

the leadership of captains Tony Kunze, Scott Noble, and David Crislip, the individuals came together as a team.

A 9-2 record makes the best football season for the Chiefs since 1959. One of the biggest highlights of the 1985 season was reaching the playoffs. Waconia's first game was against Monticello, which the Chiefs won 20 to 14. The long season was brought to a close in the second playoff game. The Chiefs lost to the Hutch Tigers 42-22. The Waconia Chiefs went a long way this year.





**Top.** Coach Jacobs leads the Chiefs in victory breakdown.

**Above.** The defense gets tough.

**Left.** Steve Lorenz picks off a pass.

**Opposite Page.**

**Top.** John Kunze looks for the ball.

**Bottom.** Ron Goetz looks for an opening.

## Football

WHS		OPP
30	BUFFALO	6
24	@ Monticello	8
6	@ Hutchinson	34
22	EDEN PRAIRIE	6
20	@ Orono	8
20	GLENCOE (Homecoming)	0
8	@ Chaska	0
20	@ Mound	6
22	SHAKOPEE	14
<b>PLAY-OFFS</b>		
27	MONTICELLO	20
22	@ Hutchinson	42

### CHIEF FACTS

Ron Goetz	1574 yards
Co-Metro Player of the Year	
Tony Kunze	125 tackles
All Conference: Tony Kunze, Ron Goetz, David Crislip, Jon Theis	

# Chiefs Return For Good Season

"Disappointing, but fun." That's the way senior Julie Braunwarth summed up the volleyball season. Team members agree that there was a lot of talent and potential on the team, but they had trouble getting it together. Diane Ohlsen, senior setter, said, "We never really played together as a team, but we did keep most of the games close."

The V-Chiefs finished their season with a disappointing loss to Regina in districts. The Chiefs were up two games to none and then gave up the last three. The Chiefs took fourth place in District 5A. After ending the season with a 6-8 record, the V-Chiefs like to look at their many laugh filled practices throughout the year.

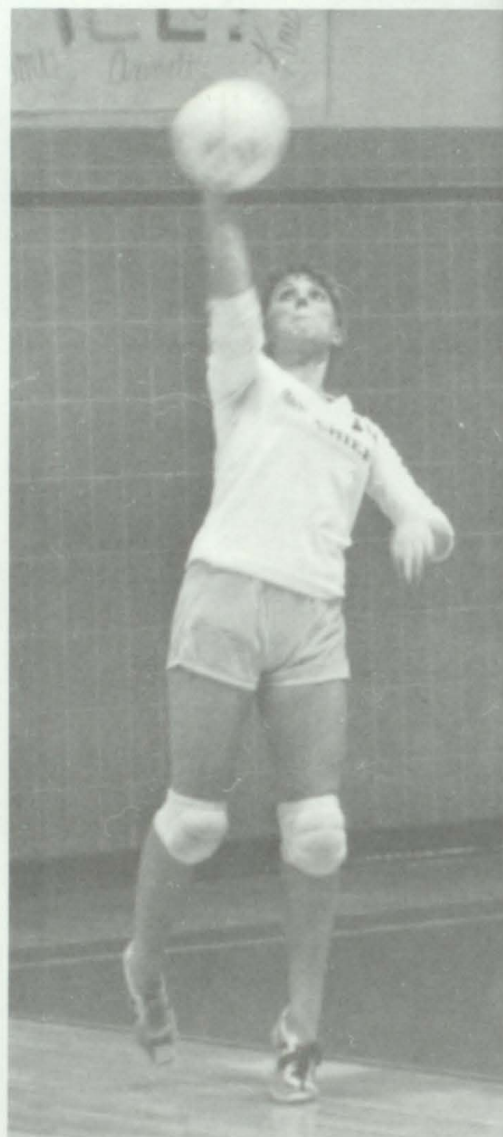
**Top.** Kathy Ebert skies high for a spike.

**Right.** Deana Speak goes for a spike.

**Far Right.** Becky Dahlke serves on for Varsity.

## CHIEF FACTS

All-Conference — Kathy Ebert  
Highest % server — Deana Speak  
Setter — Diane Ohlsen  
Passer — Julie Braunwarth





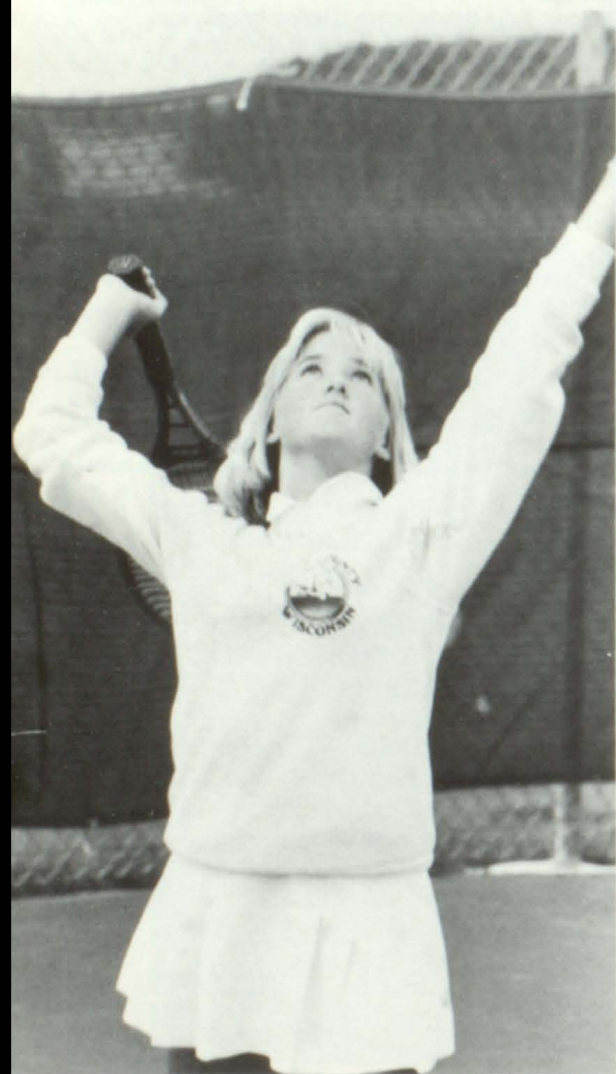
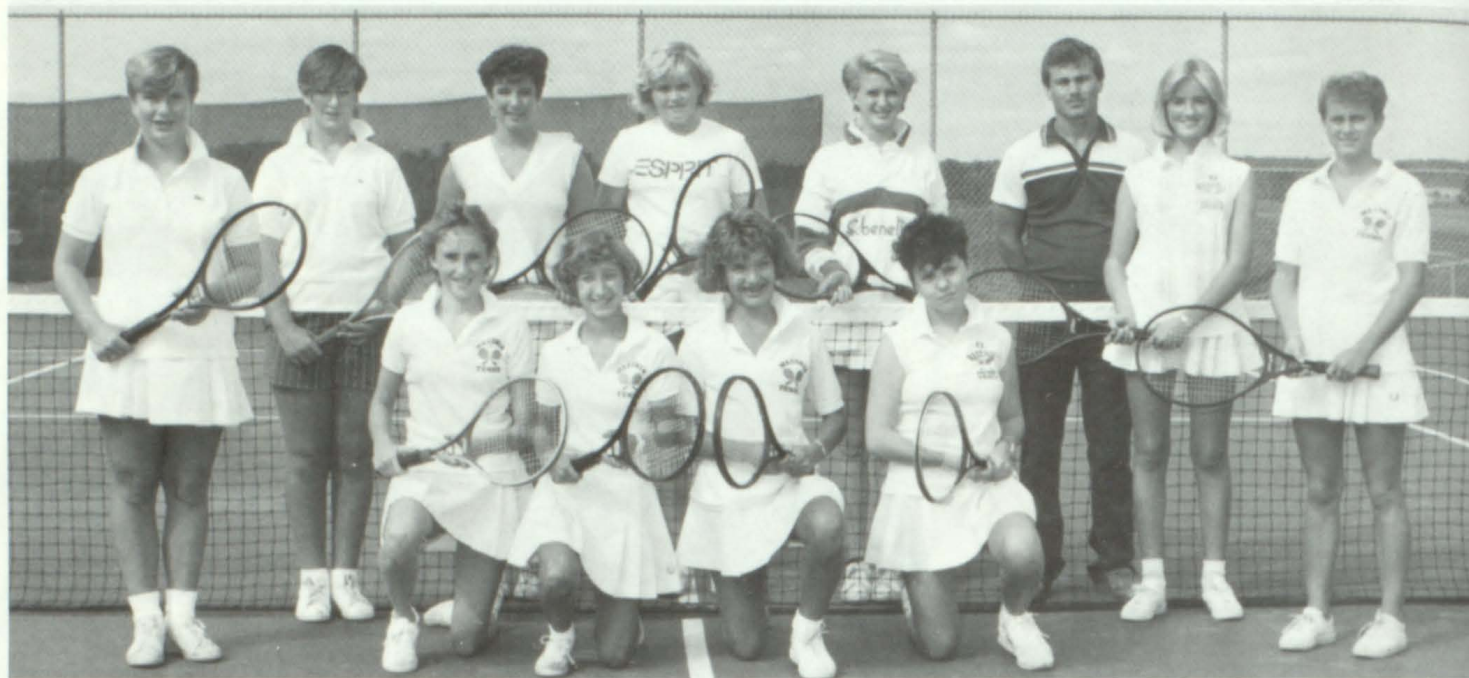
**Above.** Julie Braunwarth sets up for a spike.  
**Left.** Kristene Johnson volleys for the Chiefs.  
**Below.** Julie Braunwarth, Deana Speak, and Diane Ohlsen prepare to return the serve.



## Volleyball

WHS	OPP	OPP
L 1	@ Watertown	3
W 3	@ Delano	1
W 2	@ Chaska	1
L 0	ST. MICHAEL/ ALBERTVILLE	3
L 1	EDEN PRAIRIE	3
L 2	@ Glencoe	3
L 2	HUTCHINSON	3
W 3	@ Mound	0
W 3	@ Rockford	0
L 0	ORONO	3
W 3	@ Shakopee	0
L 1	MAYER LUTH.	3
L 7	BUFFALO	3
<b>Districts</b>		
W 3	Delano	1
L 0	STMA	3
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# Girls' Chief Tennis Team Led By Youth



**Top. 1985 Tennis Team.** Front: Annie Johansen, Beth Ratzlaff, Sarah Schlumberger, Gretchen Salzl. Back: Kristina Beck, Brenda Schulz, Stacy Machtemes, Ann Johnson, Shelly Veverka, Coach Lindemann, Kristy Kellor, Char Hoen.

**Above.** Stacy Machtemes shows off an awesome forehand.

**Left.** Kristy Kellor concentrates on her serve.

# New Lakettes; New Look

Left. Lakettes impress the crowd.  
Below. Krista Hellekson sings the fight song.

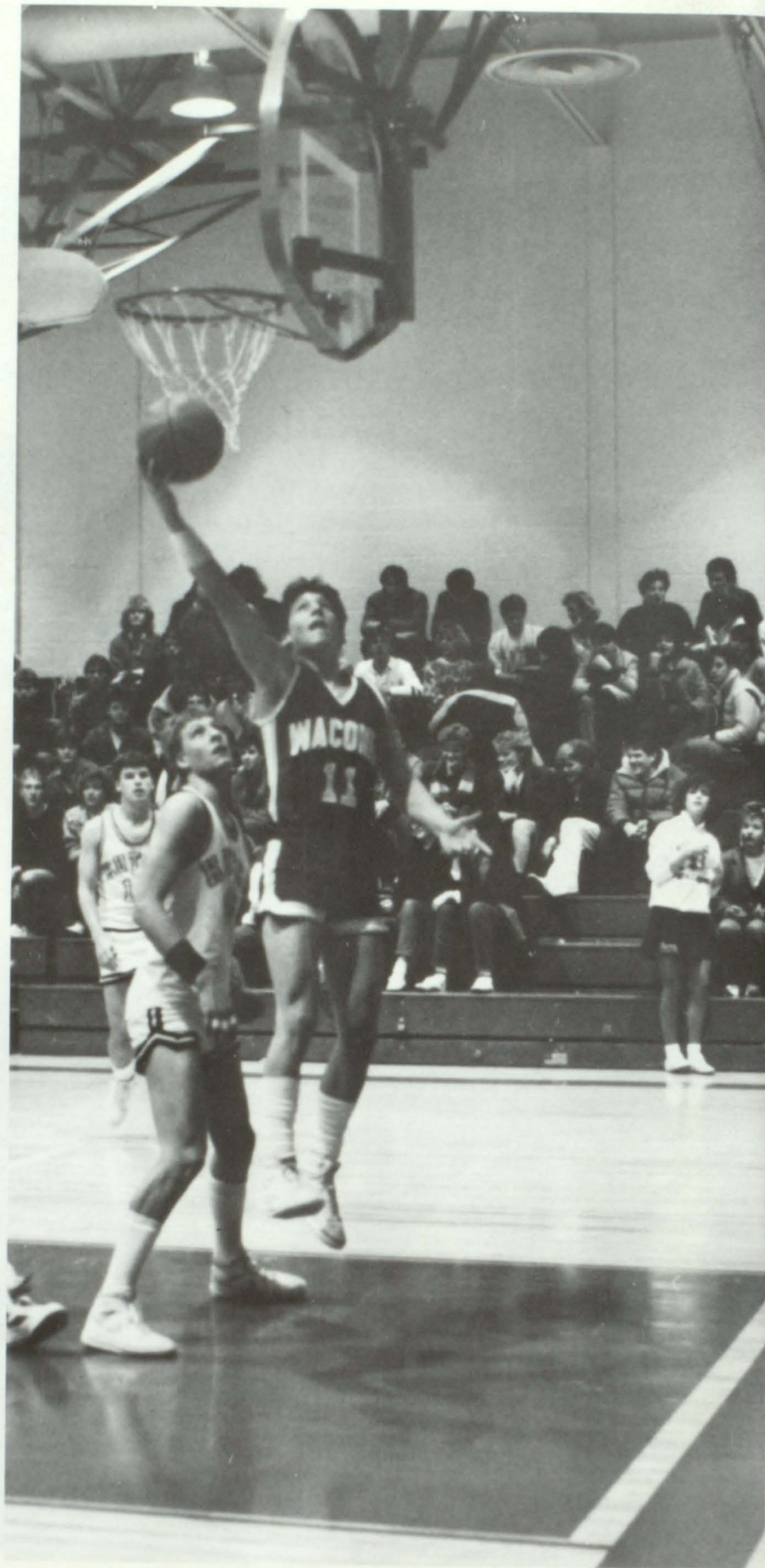
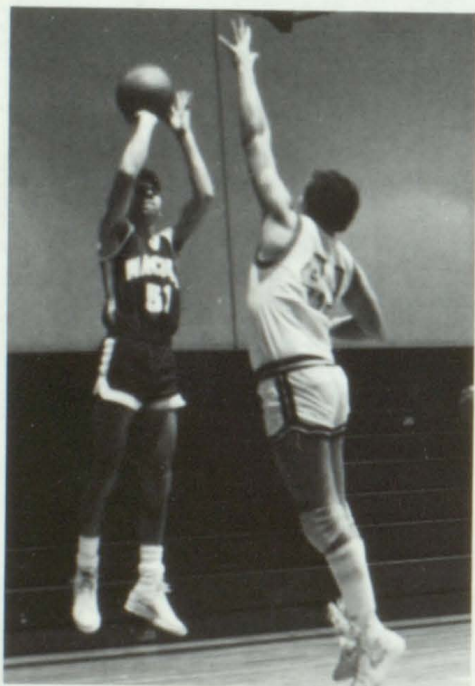


The Lakettes prepare to perform at a pepfest.

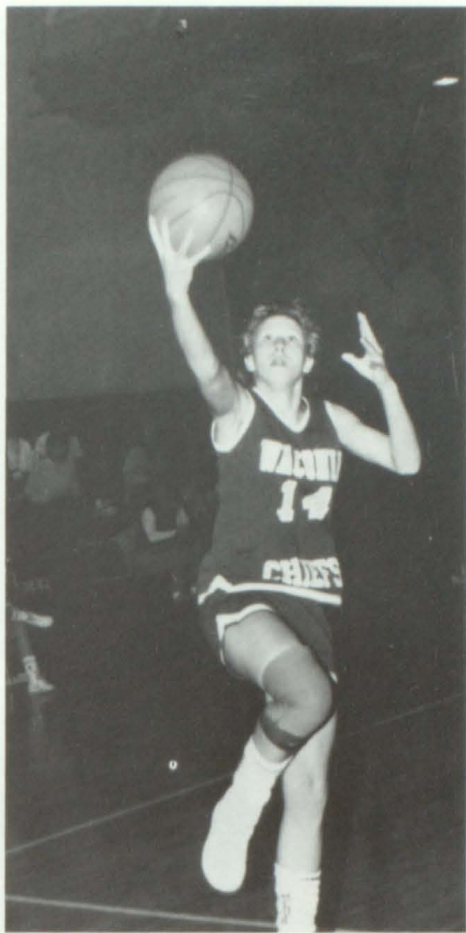
## Boys Build For Future

The 1985-86 boys' Basketball season was a time of rebuilding for the Chiefs. The Chiefs had it rough with only ten players on their Varsity squad. This season was also one of tough conference competition. The Chiefs posted a 3-13 conference record plus a 1-3 non-conference record. 6'-3" jr. Mark Hilgers, 6'-2" sr. Tony Kunze, and 5'-10" sr. John Perrill led the Chiefs with a memory filled season. Hilgers will return with the 5 other juniors to lead an experienced Varsity squad next year.

**Right.** John Perrill does a reverse layup.  
**Below.** Bob Schmitz puts up an outside jump shot.







## Girls' Season: One To Remember

The Chiefs Girls' Basketball team again had a tough conference with a record of 3 and 13. After advancing to districts, the girls played well, winning three games, including a win against top seeded Delano. In the first region game the Chiefs lost to Piers with a score of 29-50. Senior Kathy Ebert led the Chiefs in scoring, while Catherine Kirsch and Tracy Johnson led a superb supporting cast which should return next season with a strong showing.



**Top Left.** Kathy Ebert fakes out an Eden Prairie player as she goes for a baseline jump.

**Left.** Catherine Kirsch takes a left-handed jump shot.

**Top.** Tracy Johnson goes for an uncontested right-handed layup.

**Above.** Coach Mel Anderson gives some advice to his Varsity squad.

# Cheerleaders Add Spirit

**Right. Football B-Squad Cheerleaders.** Back: Sally Hanson, Jodi Stahlke. Front: Shelly Johnson, Kristi Clemensen, Bobbi Jo Leivermann, Libby Deardorff.

**Below. Wrestling Cheerleaders.** Kari Rademacher, Ann Thurk, Shelly Rademacher, Ann Karels, Bonnie Burandt, Cindy Thurk.

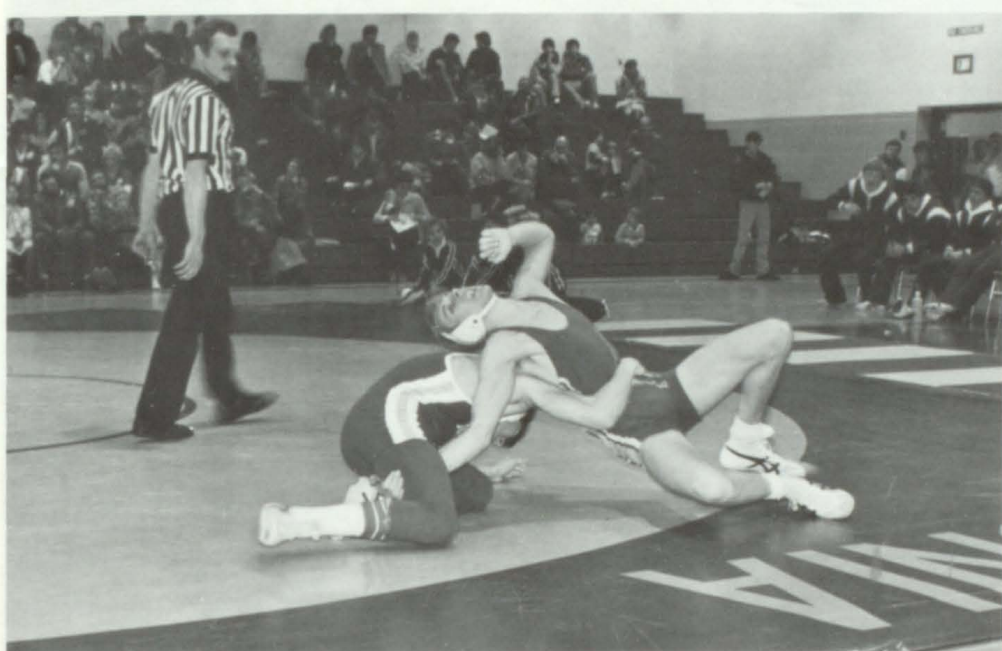
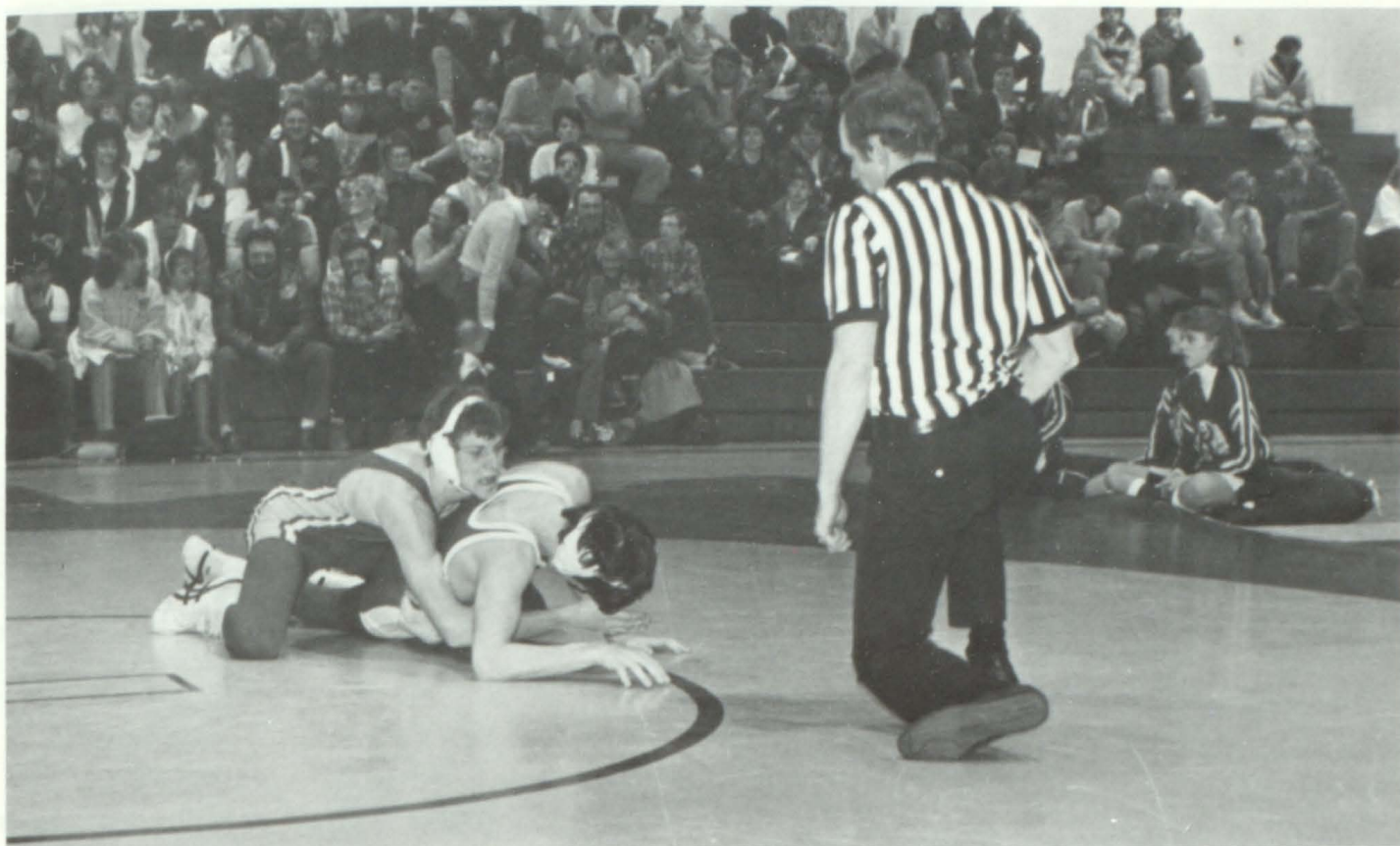


**Above. Basketball B-Squad Cheerleaders.** Kristi Clemensen, Shelly Johnson, Jodi Stahlke, Sarah Schlumpberger, Bobbi Jo Leivermann.

**Center Right. Basketball Varsity Cheerleaders.** Marnie O'Neil, Lisa Dressen, Janelle Fink, Sara Kunze, Missy Giesen, Cris Kolb.

**Right. Football Varsity Cheerleaders.** Back: Janelle Fink, Missy Giesen, Shelly Giesen, Ann Thurk, Lisa Dressen, Shelly Rademacher, Front: Kristi Skoog, Jodi Bednar.





## Individuals Flourish

The WHS grapplers were led by four-year wrestlers and co-captains Jon Theis and Jeff Eischens. Theis had an excellent season, recording 21 wins and 6 losses. Theis was the only Waconia wrestler to advance to State. Eischens had a record of 18-5-1. For the fourth season, he won the Suburban West All-Conference award. Seniors Tom Jacobson and Doug Ohlsen had good seasons, but were troubled by injuries. Next year the Chiefs will look forward to the return of Stu Grote, Brad Ess and Kelly Wagener.

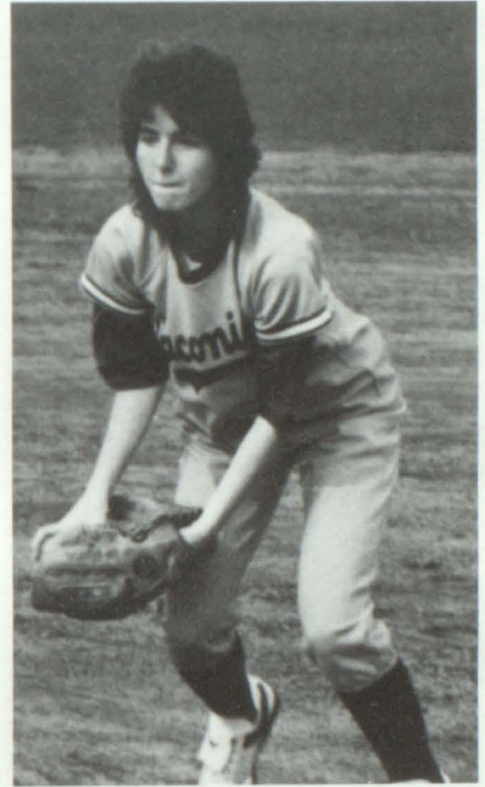
**Top.** Senior Jeff Eischens attempts a takedown.  
**Center.** Junior Stu Grote goes for a reversal.  
**Left.** The wrestling team lends support from the sidelines.

# Chiefs Make It Look Easy As 1-2-3



**Top Left.** Stu Grote guns to second.  
**Top Right.** John Kunze tosses in a caught fly ball.  
**Above Left.** Billy Koppi warms up the pitcher.  
**Right.** Jeff Eischens throws the split-fingered fastball.  
**Far Right.** John Ebert cuts the throw to second.

## Girls' Softball Is A Hit



**Above.** Andrea Lindner prepares to throw to first.  
**Left.** Tami Stahlke gets a solid hit.  
**Top.** Amy Ebert scoops one out of the dirt.



## Boys' Track Hurdles Obstacles



**Top.** David Gray pushes himself for a good finish.  
**Above:** Mark Lavalley leaps for the long jump.

**Top.** Jason Eveslage skims over the high hurdles.

**Above.** Scott Noble, Mike Schuler, and Jon Theis take time out of a very busy track schedule for some fun.

## Girls Soar To New Heights



**Top Left.** Kristene Johnson skims the high bar.

**Above.** Valerie Loxtercamp continues the pace set by the relay team.

**Left. Girls' Varsity Track.** Front: BethAnn Ratzlaff, Sara Kunze, Andrea Fulkerson, Kristene Johnson, Connie Steinborn, Beth Mendiola, Sheri Schmidt, Wendy Johnson. 2nd Row: Michelle Quast, Jackie O'Day, Cathy Giesinger, Dena Speak, Tracy Johnson, Joy Meuleners, Valerie Loxtercamp, Jill Finney. Back: Libby Deardorff, Jane Klaseus, Cris Kolb, Jenny Theis, Holly Bentz, Missy Kelzer, Leah Sandbo. Coaches: Mike Zender, Kim Benson.

## Young Golfers Show Promise



**Above.** Phil Harms watches the ball.  
**Top.** Kyle Berger practices his putting.  
**Right. Varsity Boys' Golf.** Kyle Berger, Phil Harms, Ryan Berger, Nathan Lindner, Bret McEnelly, David Harms.







## Girls Take Districts; Look To State



**Above.** Kathy Ebert lines up her shot.

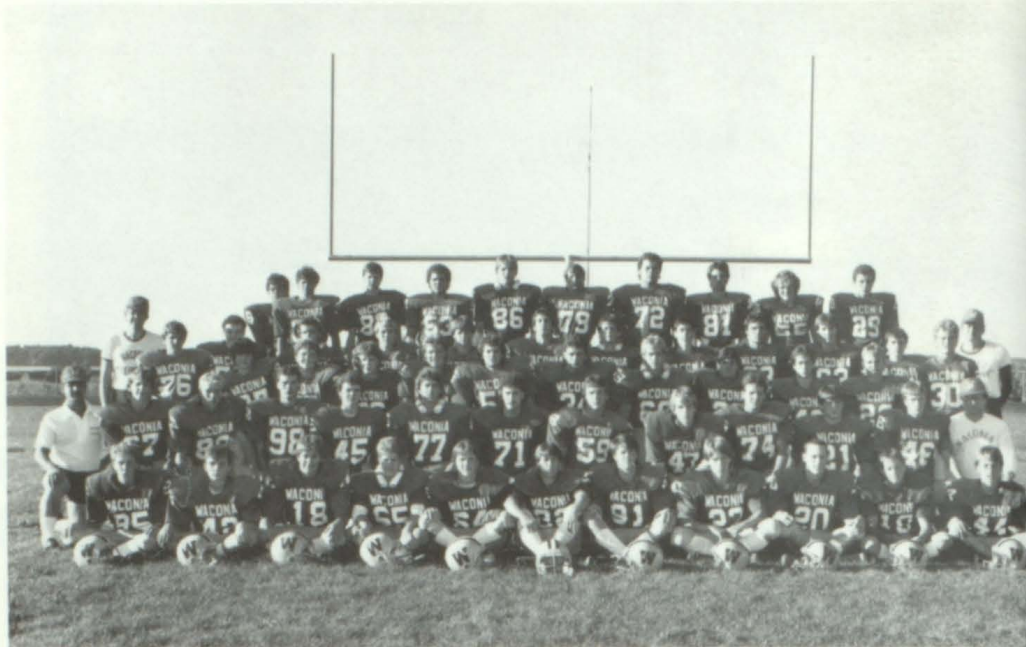
**Top.** Catherine Kirsch smiles as she hits the ball.

**Left.** Julie Braunwarth watches the progress of her ball.



**Girls' Varsity Golf Team.** Kathy Ebert, Julie Braunwarth, Catherine Kirsch, Lisa Johnson, Nancy Geiger, Sandy Smetana, Susie Peitz, Bobbie Jo Leivermann, Sara Hawkinson, Elaine Foss, Jenny Geiger, Vici Moonen.

**Football.** 1st Row: Dean Meyer, Bob Dear-dorff, Terry Foley, Chris Heagle, Brad Heyer, Kevin Petron, Matt Cole, Jason Eveslage, Bill Koppi, Paul Jacobson, John Rademacher. 2nd Row: Coach Robin Jacobs, David Gray, Stuart Grote, Mike Clarke, Dave Farrell, Josh Mortensen, Jim Gustaf-son, Tim Stangret, Chad Sorenson, Matt Rissell, Steve Bredeson, Tim Devins, Coach Steve Hullander. Third Row: Peter Krotzer, Mike Widmer, Cory Dalbec, Grant Gorres, Jon Theis, Wayne Speak, Ron Goetz, Scott Noble, Mike Schuler, John Kunze, Kyle Berger. 4th Row: Coach Kim Bredeson, Jeff Hagg, Joe Fritz, Lance Bredeson, Dick Wagener, Matt Peterson, Paul Larson, An-drew Lake, Mike Rock, Mike Beck, Jon Schuler, John Weinzierl. Back Row: Mike Baumann, Jeff Eischens, Randy Peitz, Mark Johnson, Tony Kunze, Dave Crislip, Jim Clarke, Craig Pearson, Jason Geyen, Pat Mathot, Coach McDonald.



**Varsity Volleyball.** Back Row: Lisa Johnson, Nancy Geiger, Kristene Johnson, Cheryl Van Horn, Becky Dahlke, Kathy Ebert, Amy Call, Holly Bentz, Jean Dear-dorff, Tami Stahlke. Front: Diane Ohlsen, Julie Braunwarth, Annette Titera, Deana Speak, Catherine Kirsch, Karyn Otto. Center: Sheri Worm.



**B-Squad Volleyball.** Back: Mrs. Anderson, Dianne Storms, Lara Logelin, Cris Kolb, Cathy Geisinger, Connie Steinborn, Lisa Haman, Kelli Ittel. Front: Sherri Wagener, Tina Karels, Maddy Molnau, Sara Kunze, Lori Lizakowski, Bonnie Burandt, Marnie O'Neil.





**Danceline.** Back: Kathy Howe, Vicki Weinzler, Krista Hellekson, Lisa Fischer, Jodi Maas, Leah Sandbo, Jenny Roeser, Danielle Koosman. Middle: Wendy Ruchti, Debbie Reichenberger, Beth Johnson, Christie Frazier, Jill Seeley, Jane Hudinsky, Stacey Clauson. Front: Andrea Glasmann, Cady Connery.



**B-Squad Girls' Basketball.** Back: Coach Raye Ann Hoffman, Patti Willems, Cathy Schmiege, Renee Buetow, Michelle Quast, Diane Fadden. Front: Melanie Steinborn, Roxanne Walter, Missy Kelzer, Lisa Hamann, Joy Meuleners. Not Pictured: Sherry Wagener.

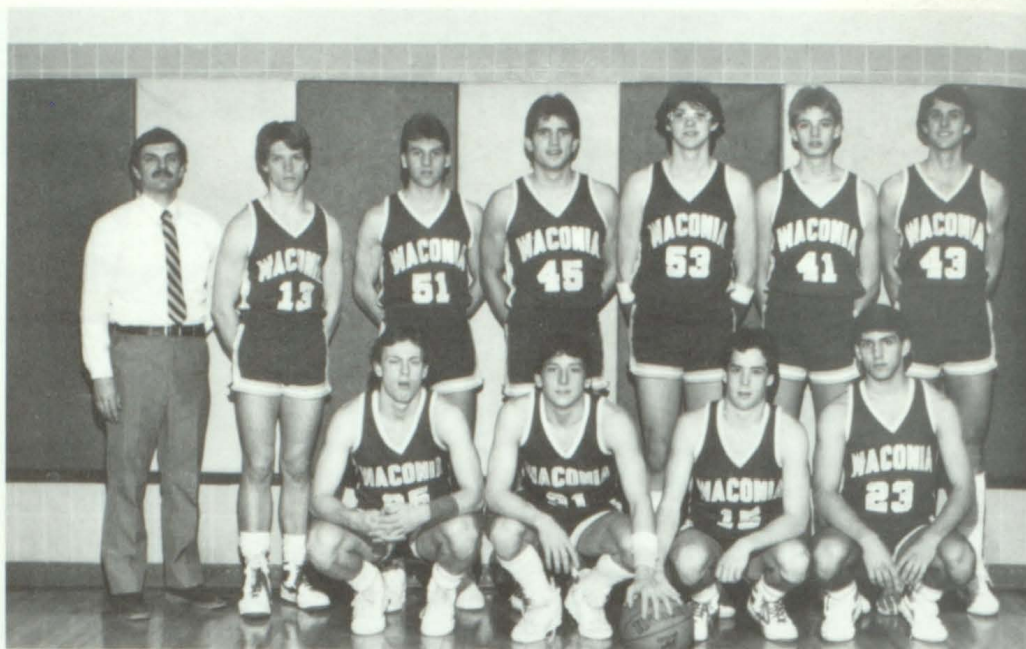
## Girls' Basketball

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25	Mayer 33
46	Lester Prairie 27
35	Chaska 49
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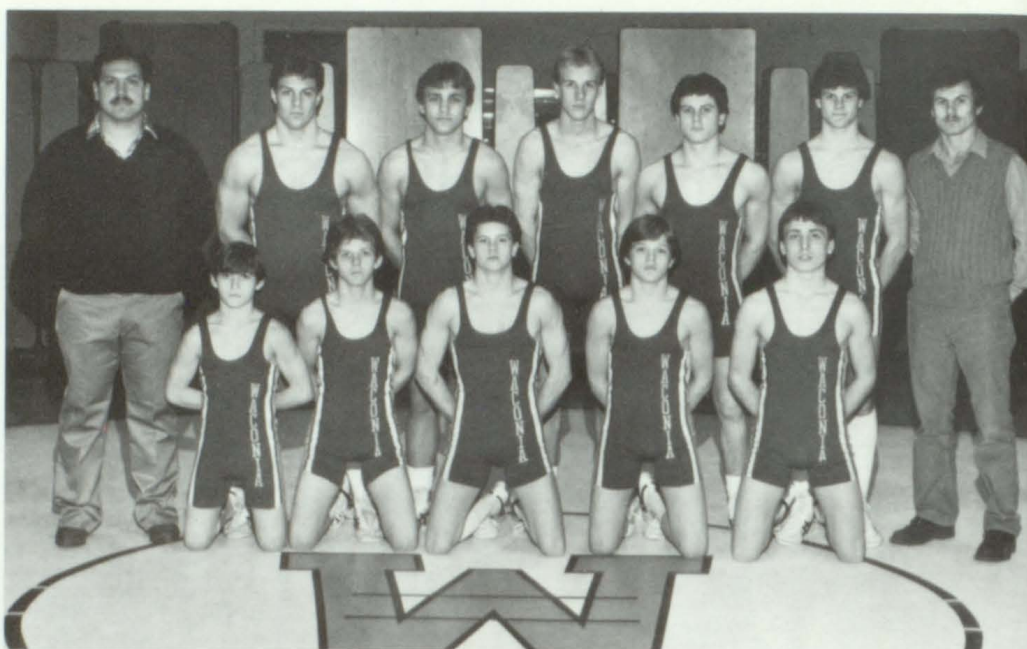


**Varsity Girls' Basketball.** Back: Catherine Kirsch, Deana Speak, Sherry Wagener, Paula Buetow, Kathy Ebert, Coach Mel Anderson. Front: Ann Mendiola, Tracy Johnson, Becky Dahlke.

**Boys' Varsity Basketball.** Back: Coach Laulainen, Jason Eveslage, Bob Schmitz, Tony Kunze, Keith Pahl, Erin Lehrke, Mark Hilgers. Front: Bill Koppi, John Perrill, John Kunze, John Ebert.



**Wrestling.** Back: Coach Madrinich, Jon Theis, John Rauen, Stuart Grote, Doug Ohlsen, Jeff Eischens, Coach Lindemann. Front: Brad Ess, Kelly Wagener, Tom Jacobson, Kevin Wagener, John Rademacher.



**Boys' B-Squad Basketball.** Back: Coach Pudlinski, Danny Mason, Mark Lavalle, Steve Buetow, Kevin Wessale, Mike Widmer, Brian Scheuble. Front: Klaus Bertelsen, Jason Hilgers, Paul Jacobson, Eric Johnson, Tim Devins, Terry Graupmann, Sheldon LaGarde.





**Boys' Varsity Baseball.** Back: Coach Hullander, Brent Baumann, Randy Kirsch, Jon Schuler, Chad Sorenson, John Kunze, Tony Kunze, Erin Lehrke. Front: Andrew Lake, Kent Vetsch, Jeff Eischens, John Ebert, Stuart Grote, Jim Gustafson, Billy Koppi. Not Pictured: Greg Trittbaugh, Greg Miller, Keith Pahl.



**Girls' Varsity Softball.** Back: Patty Melchert, Kim Stangret, Sherry Wagener, Jodi Bednar, Sheri Worm, Coach Lee Huls, Lisa Hamann, Connie Steinborn, Andrea Lindner, Lori Wickenhauser. Front: Nellye Palacio, Tami Stahlke, Amy Ebert, Roxanne Walter.



**Boys' Varsity Track.** Front: Dave Knauer, Mark Johnson, Dave Crislip, Steve Bredeson, Pat Mathot. 2nd Row: Tom Coburn, John Weinzierl, Tim Devins, Todd Bailey, Todd McDonald, David Gray. 3rd Row: Mark Lavalle, Jason Eveslage, Kevin Wessale, Greg Vialle, Dave Lavalle. Back Row: Christie Frazier, Gretchen Lehmann, Todd Weinzierl, Scott Foss, Mike Beck, Craig Pearson, Paul Larson.

# Students



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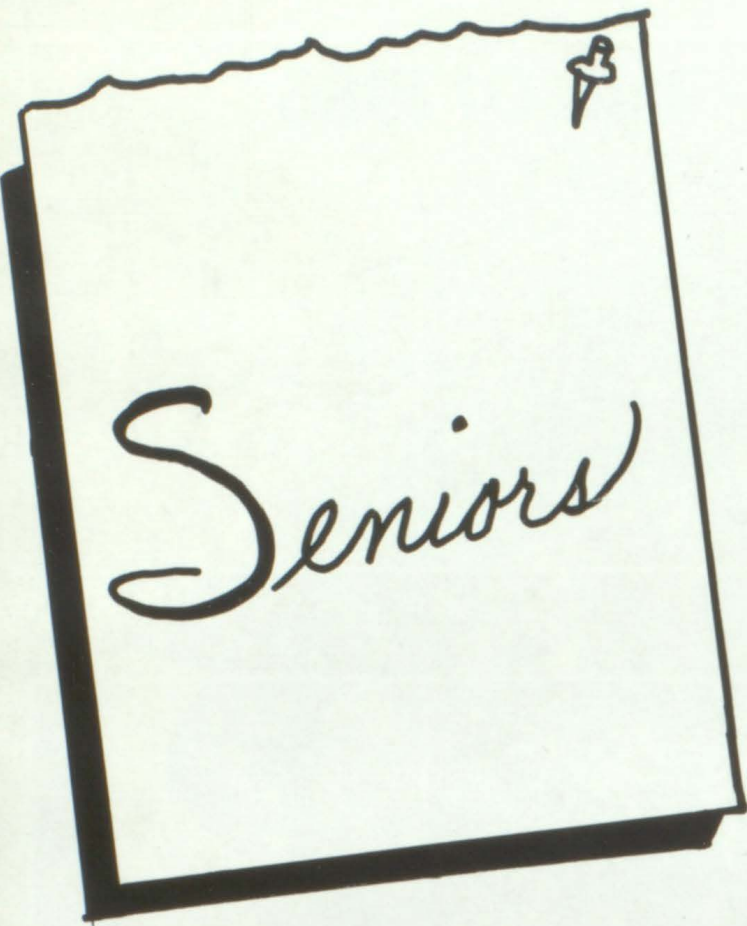
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# The Unforgettable Class Of 1986





## Seniors Expect Changes

How do you feel you will change in the next ten years?

Al Beudet: "I will be married to Rachel and will be in a band and hit the big times."

Andrea Steiner: "I guess I'll finally be out of school and hopefully I'll be successful in life. One thing I do know for sure is that I won't be in Waconia. (except for class reunions)."

Greg Loxtercamp: "No more bow ties."

Lisa Holtmeier: "I'll be older, possibly married, have a steady job, not be living at home."

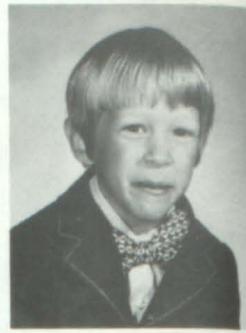
Klaus Bertelsen: "I will go home to Denmark and try to go through some more education and when I get done I will develop a match that can burn under water. I will take a trip to Hawaii."



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Kris Adams



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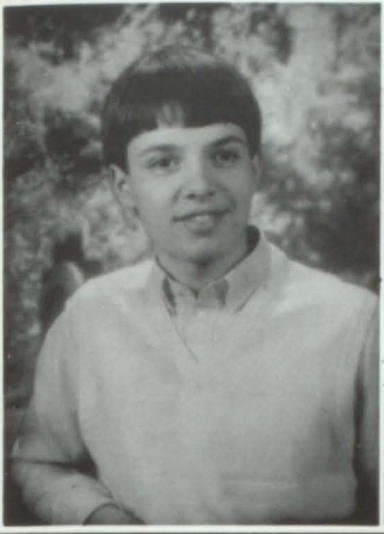
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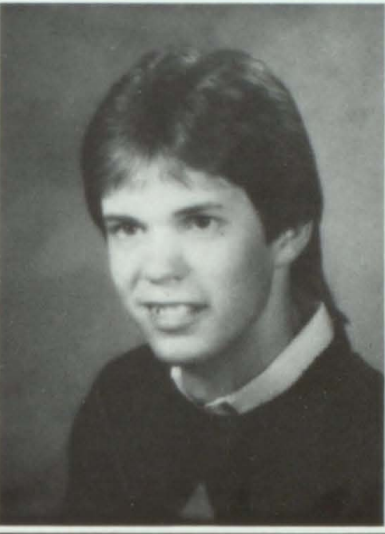
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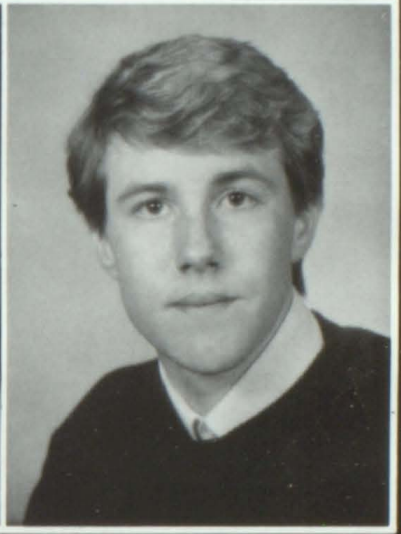
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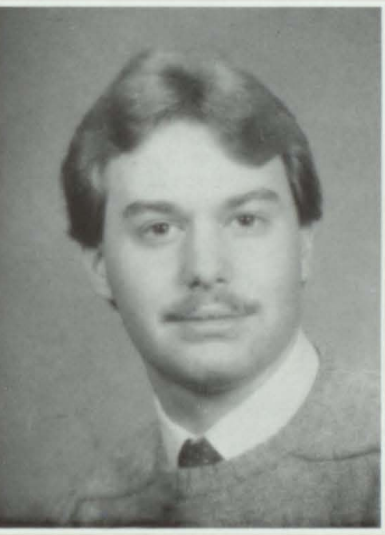
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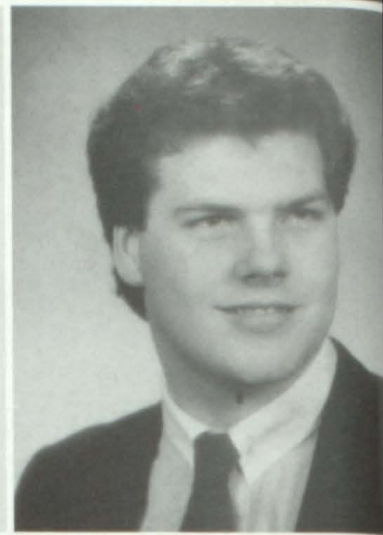
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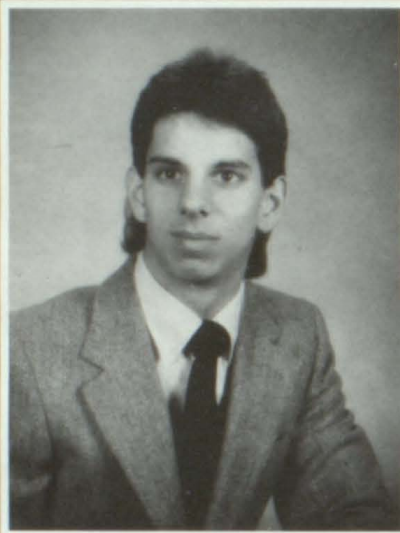
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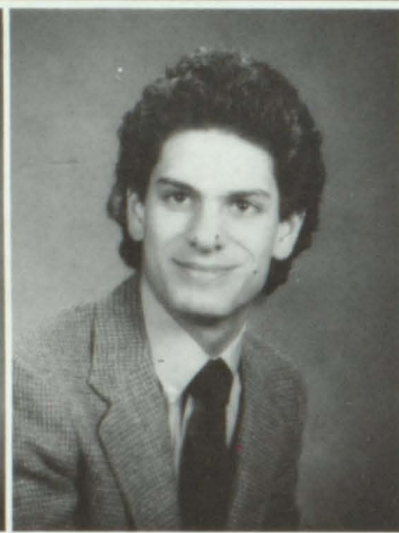
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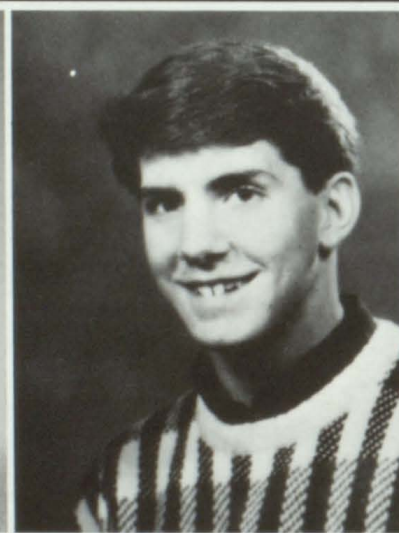
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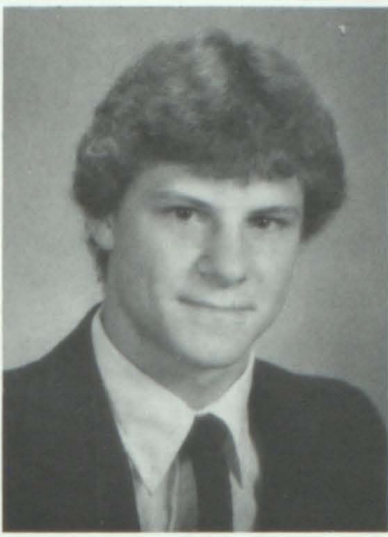
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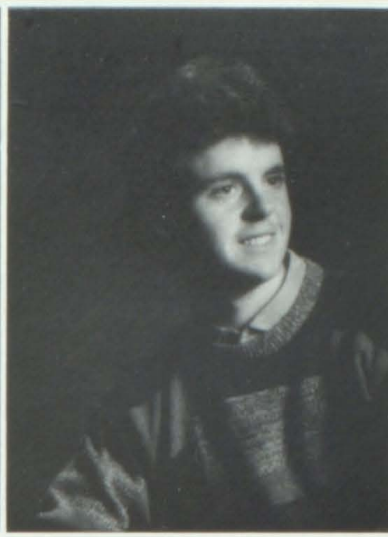
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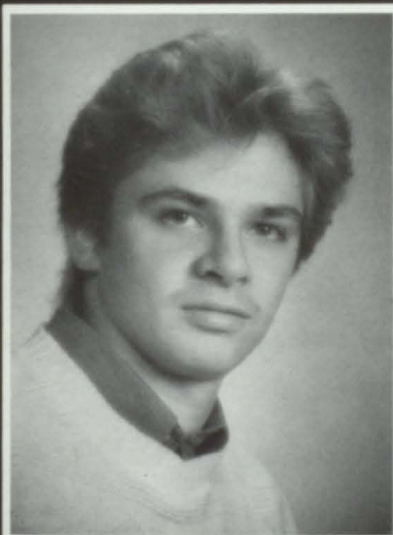
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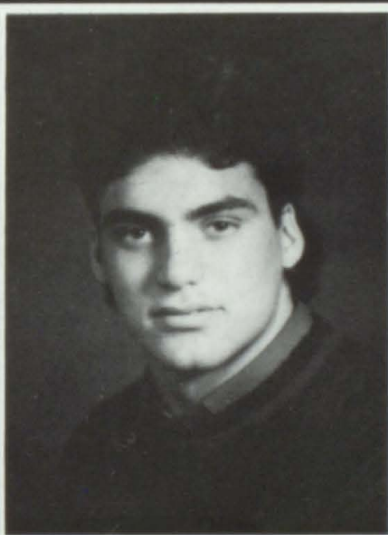
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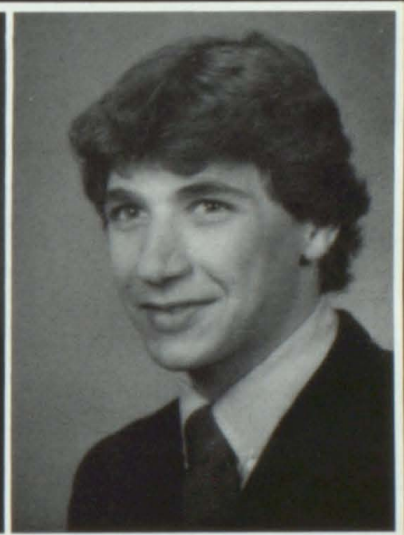
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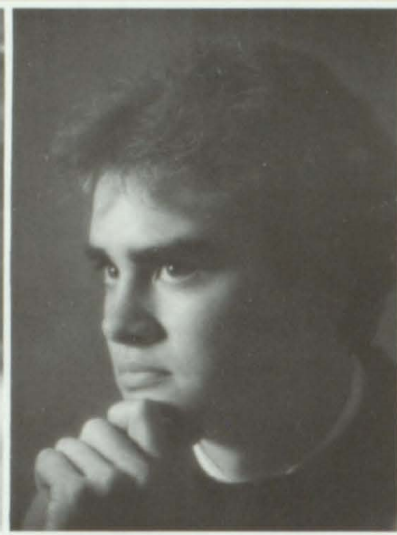
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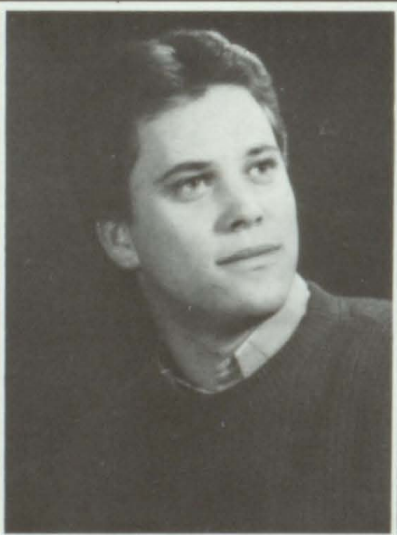
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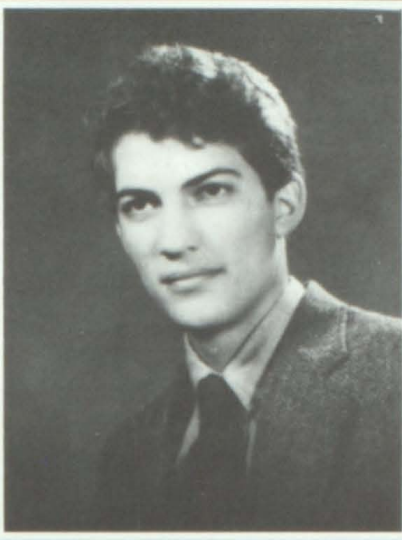
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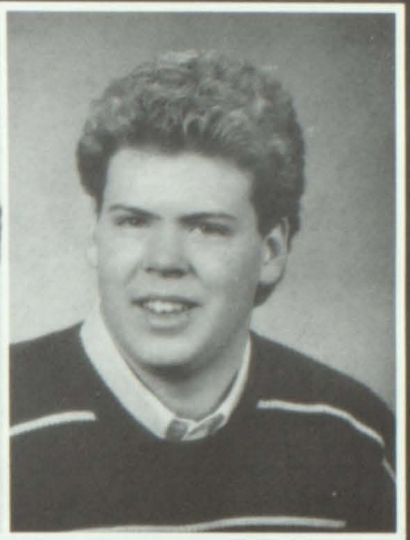
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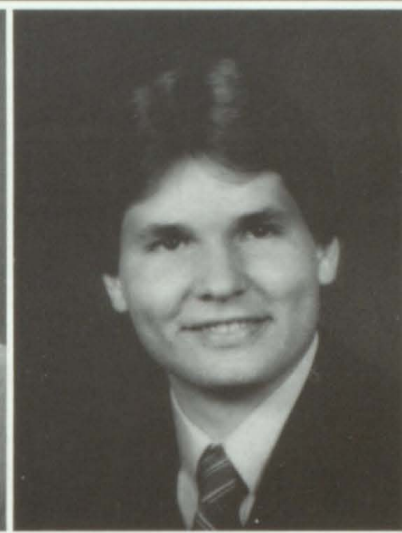
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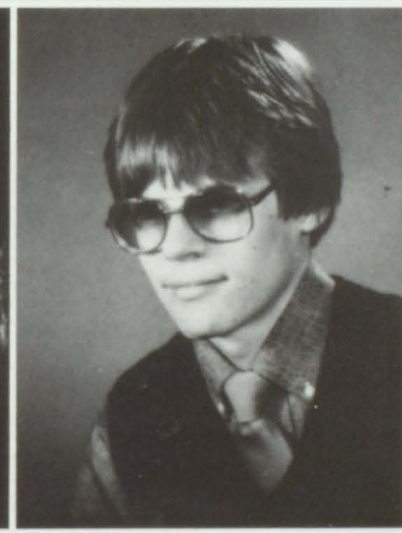
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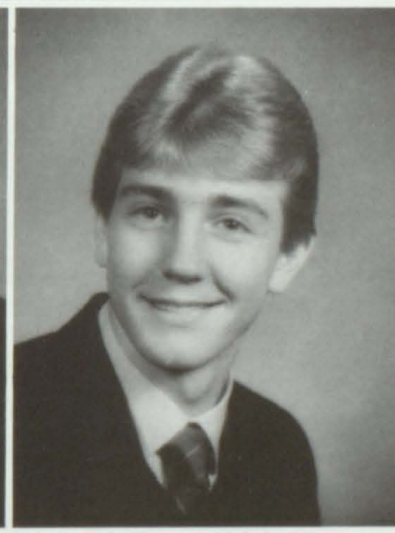
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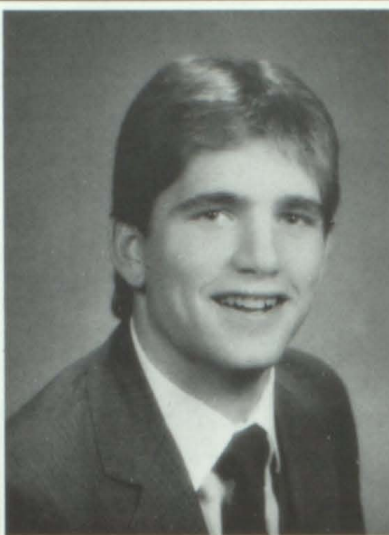
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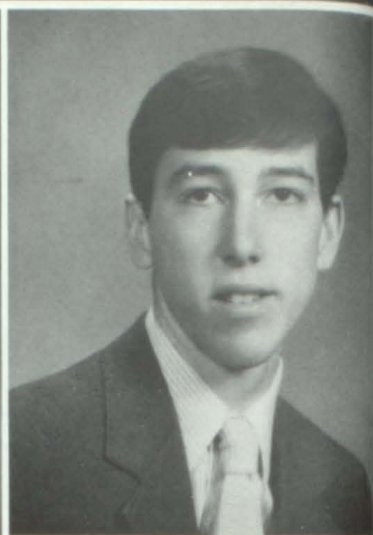
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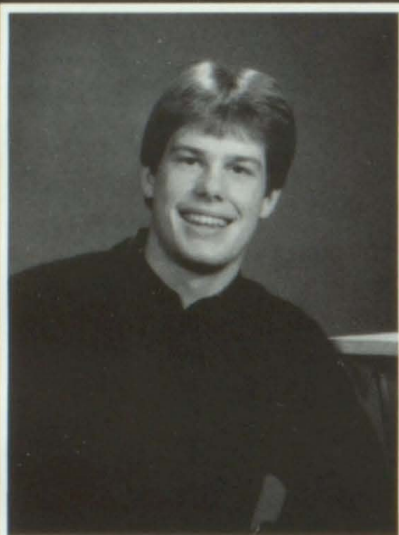
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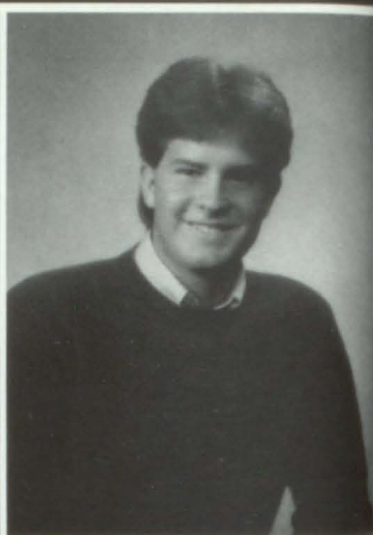
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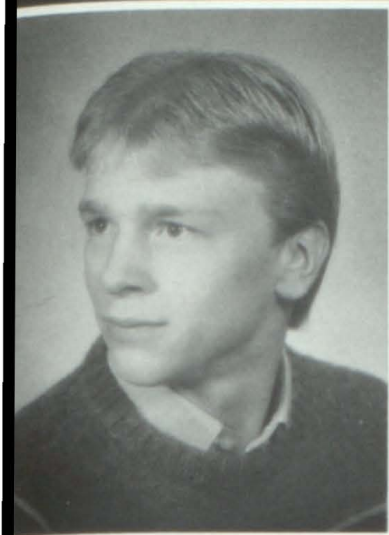


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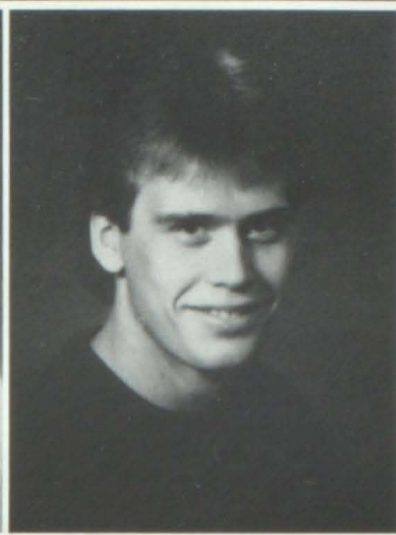




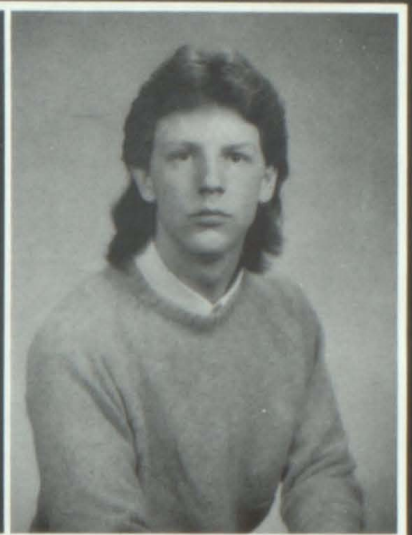
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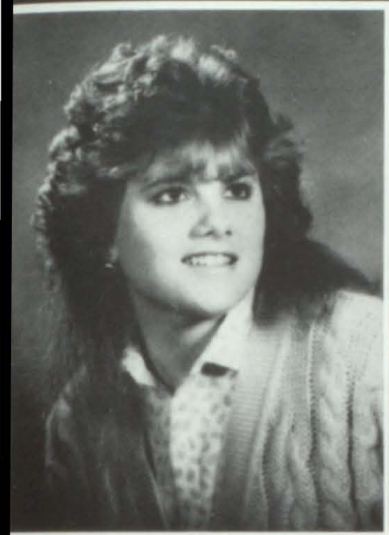
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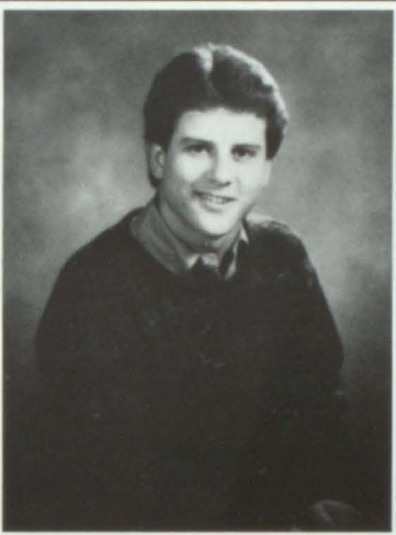
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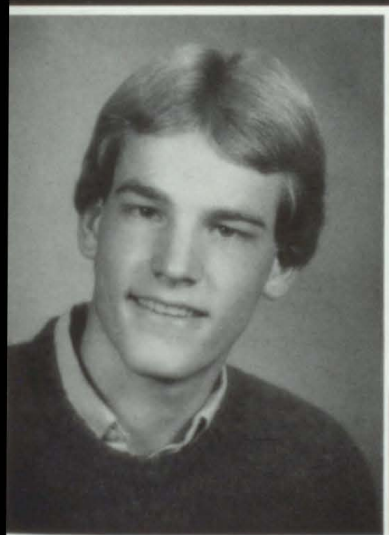
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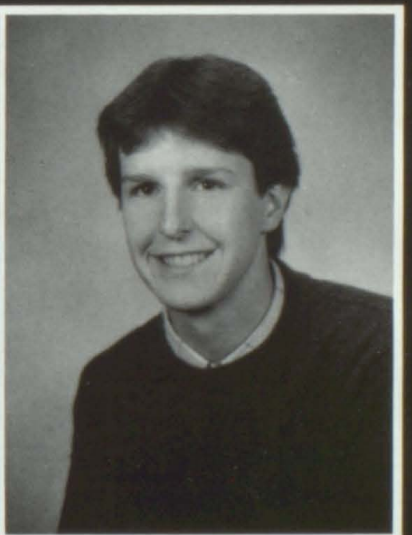
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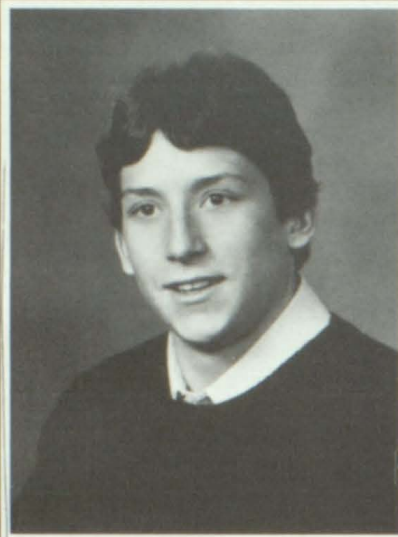
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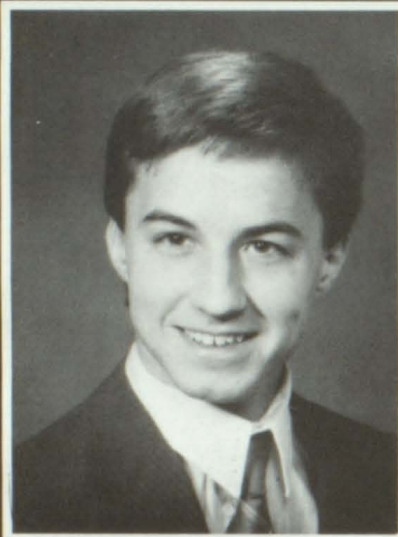
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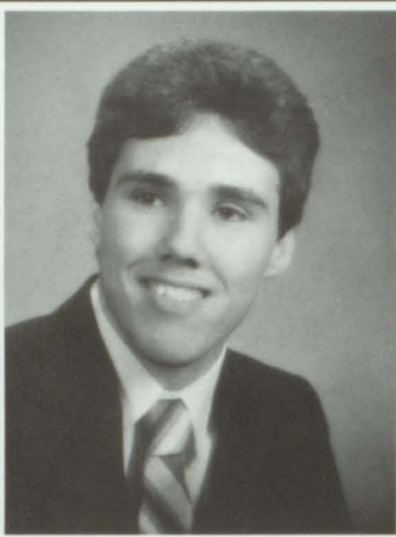
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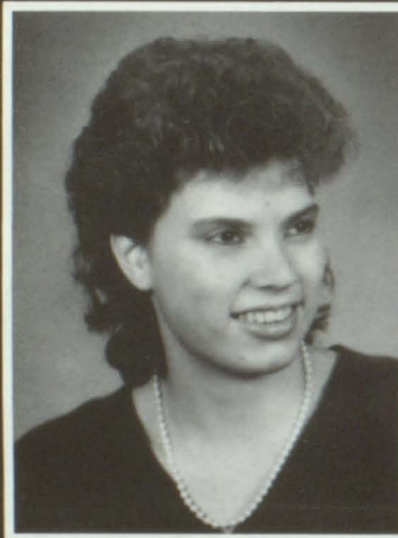
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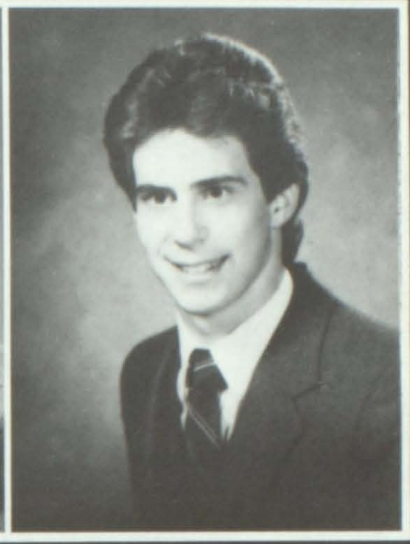
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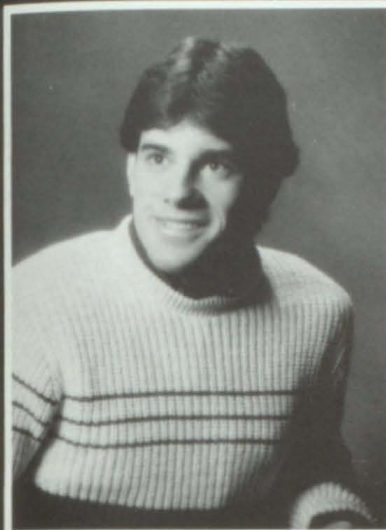
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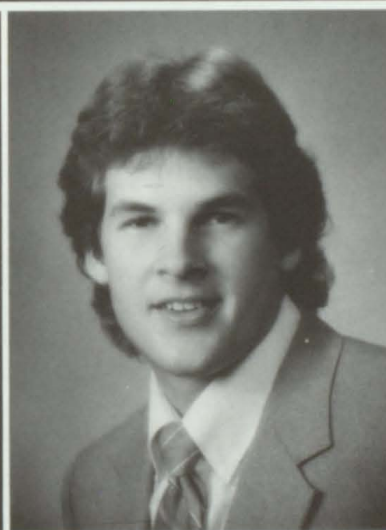
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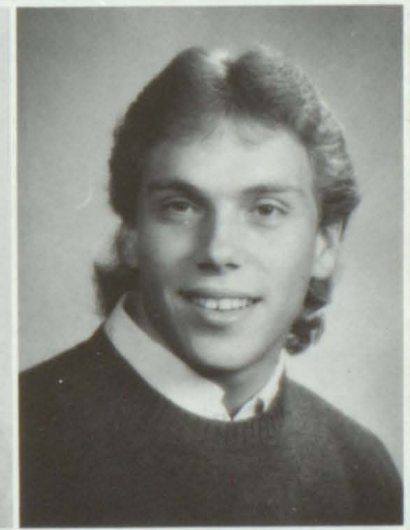
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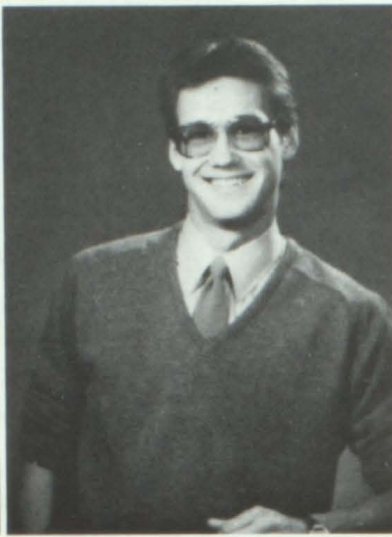
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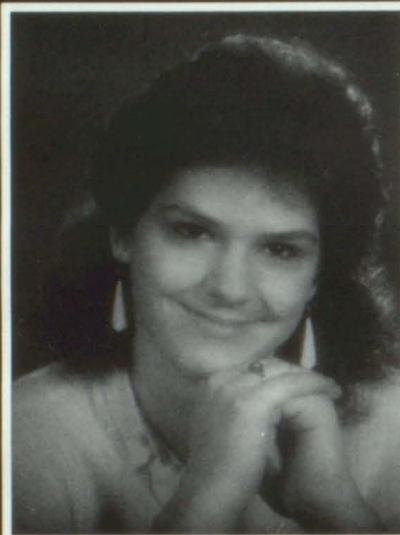
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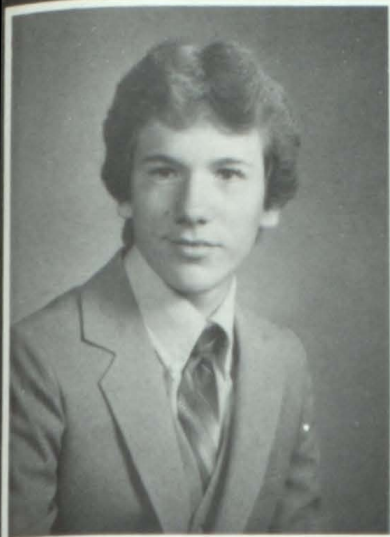
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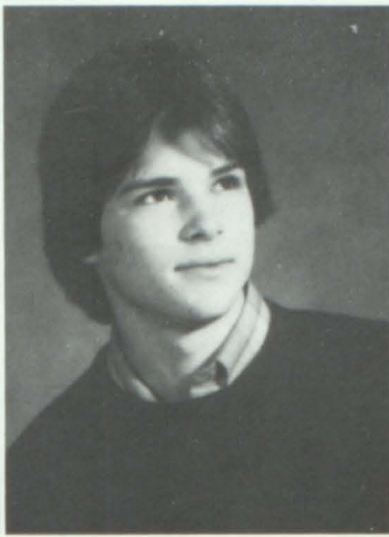
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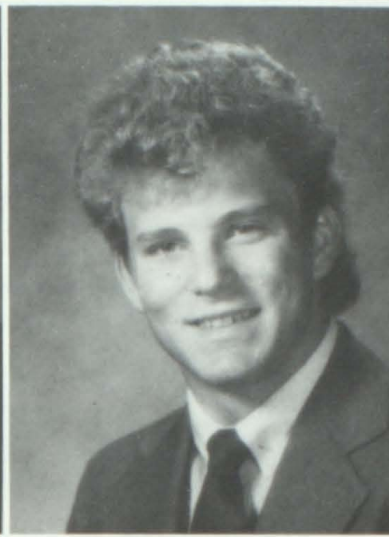
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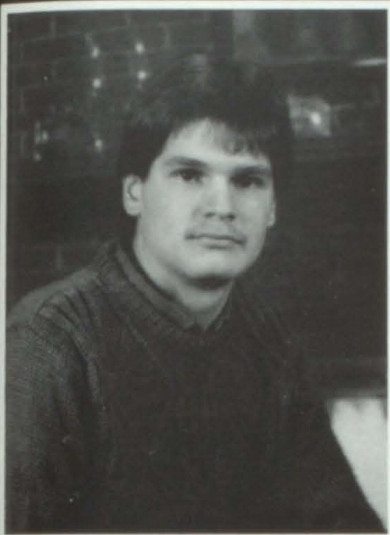
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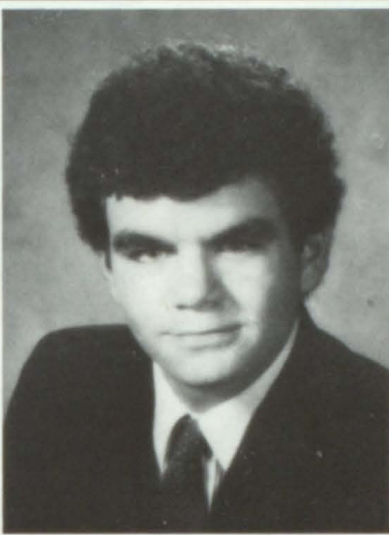
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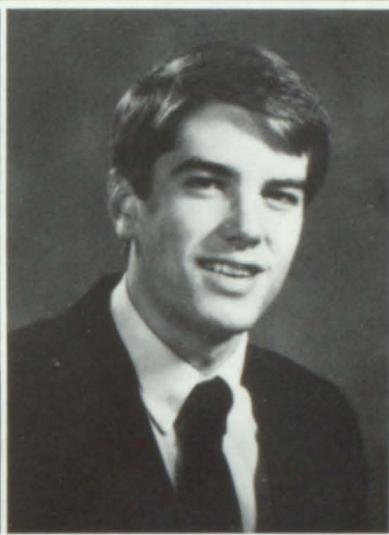
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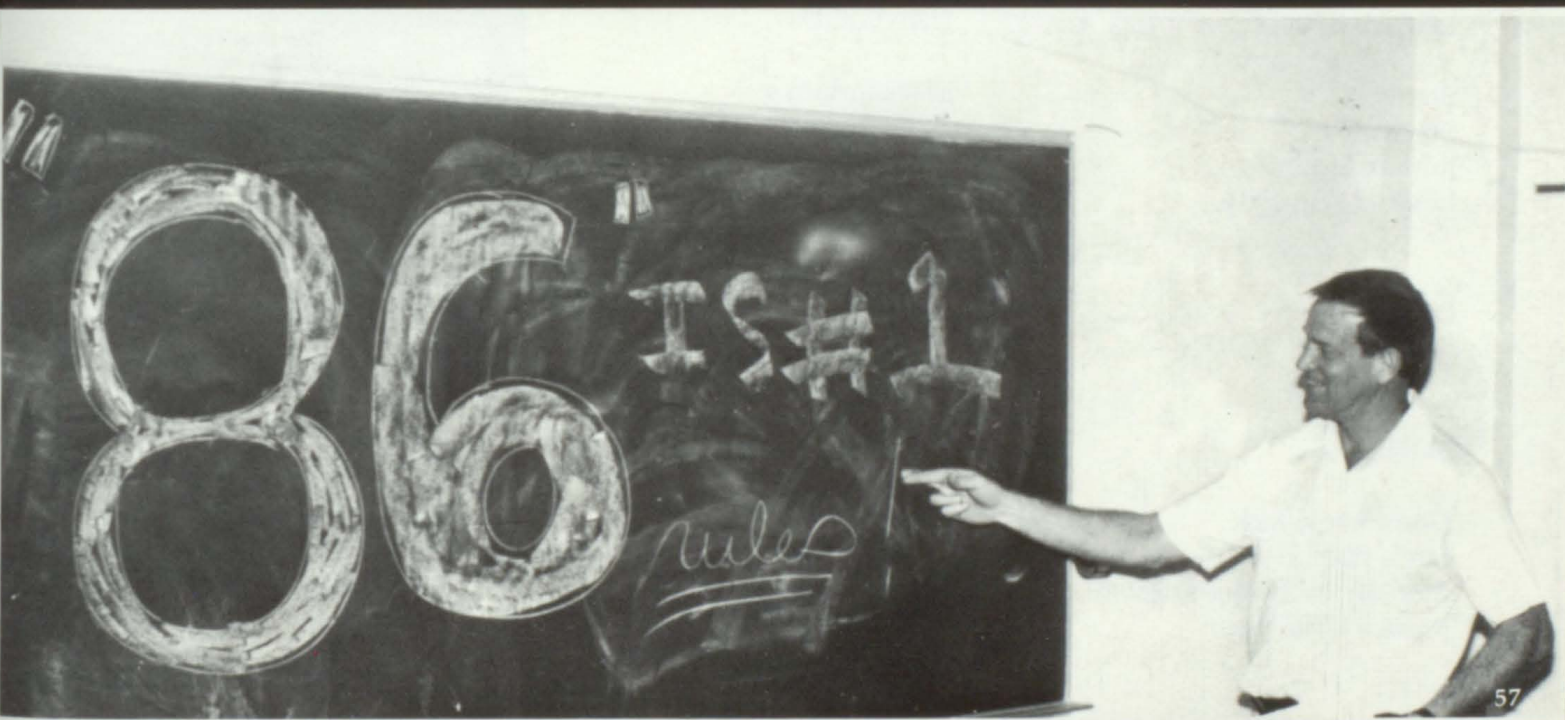


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Mark Williams

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Joel Eiden  
Russell Jurek  
Keith Pahl





T.V. SHOW

Cosby Show  
Miami Vice  
Knots Landing  
MASH



MOVIE

Back to the Future  
Breakfast Club  
Rocky 4  
Beverly Hills Cop

LOCAL BAND

Shaw  
Starwolf  
Johnny Holm  
Limited Warranty

HANG-OUT

Mackenthun's  
Fish House  
Lakeside  
Ron's House

SONG

Don't Look Back  
Life's Been Good  
Smokin' in the Boys' Room  
Raise a Little Hell

BAND

ZZ Top  
Led Zeppelin  
Motley Crue  
AC/DC



CAR

Ratz's Cornbinder  
Boobie's Blue Mobile  
Don Wick's Truck  
Camaro

# Senior Favorites

## JEANS

Levis  
Lees  
Guess  
Forenza

## POP

Mountain Dew  
Pepsi  
Coke  
Dr. Pepper

## TEACHER

Mr. Blassey  
Mr. McDonald  
Mr. Gerding  
Mr. Lindemann

## RADIO STATION

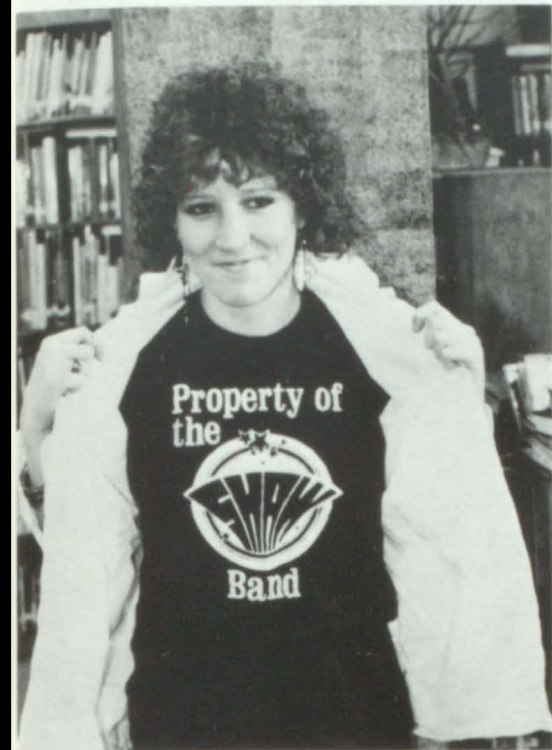
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## CLASS

Study Hall  
Psychology  
Foods  
Lunch

## JUNK FOOD

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Pizza  
Hardee's  
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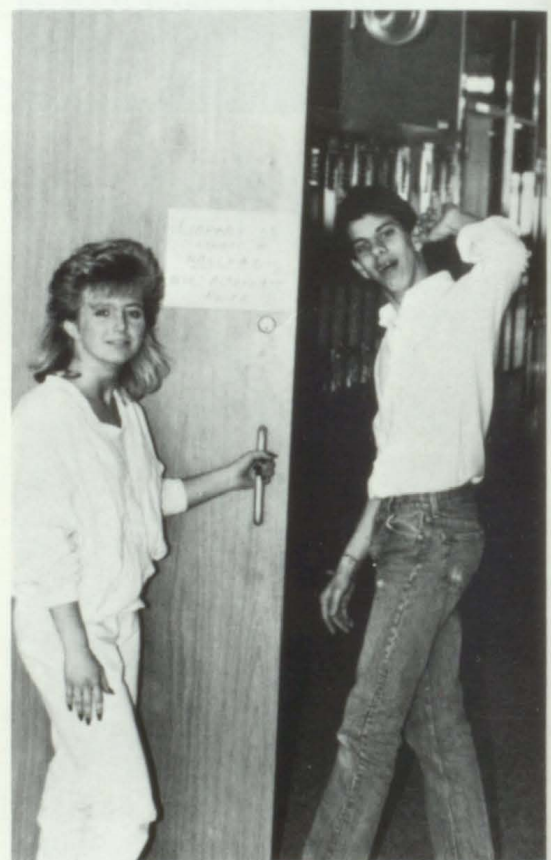


**Biggest Eaters** Paul Scheuble and Julie Braunwarth.  
**Most Athletic** Ron Goetz and Kathy Ebert.





**Friendliest** Mike Koosman and Shelly Giesen. **Most Likely to Succeed** Shelly Giesen and Dean Otto.

**Class Clowns** Tom Coburn and Shelly Rademacher.

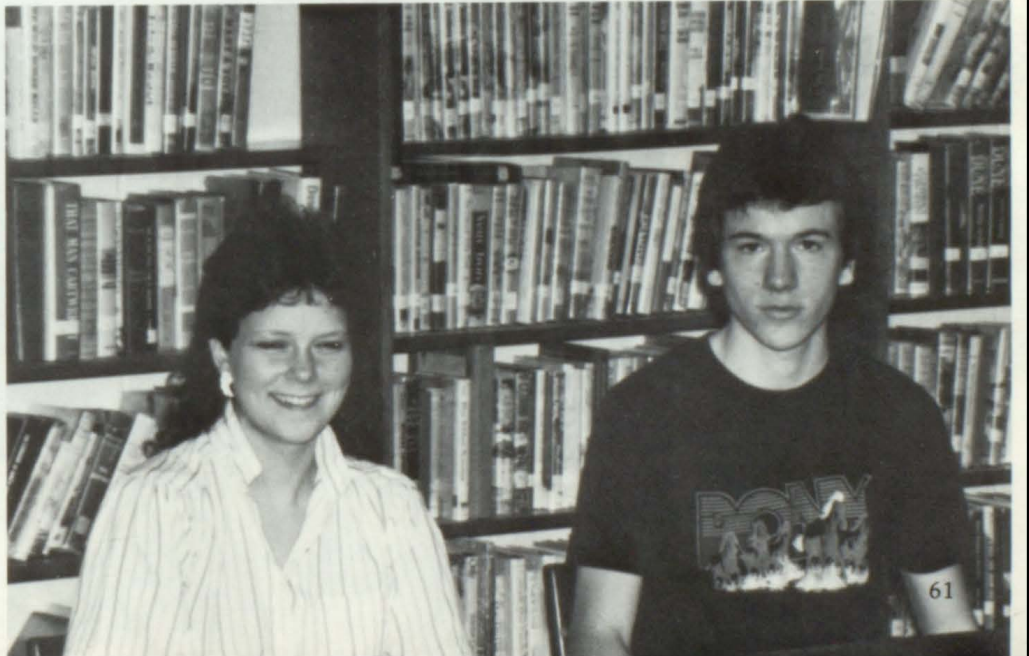
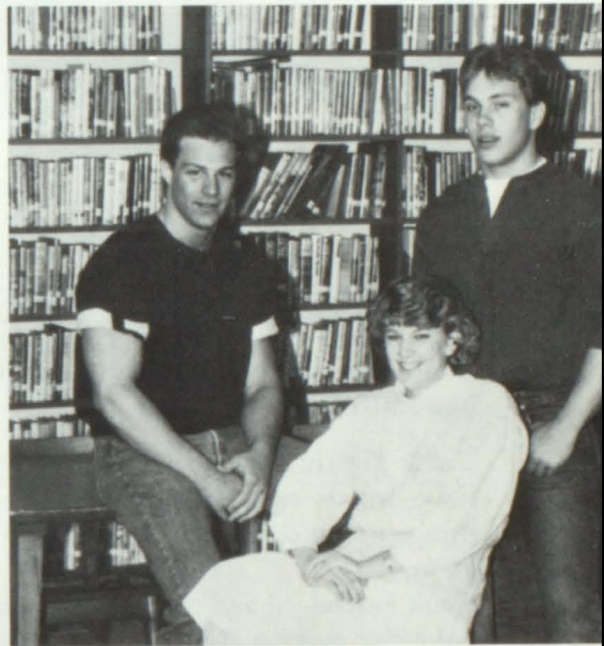
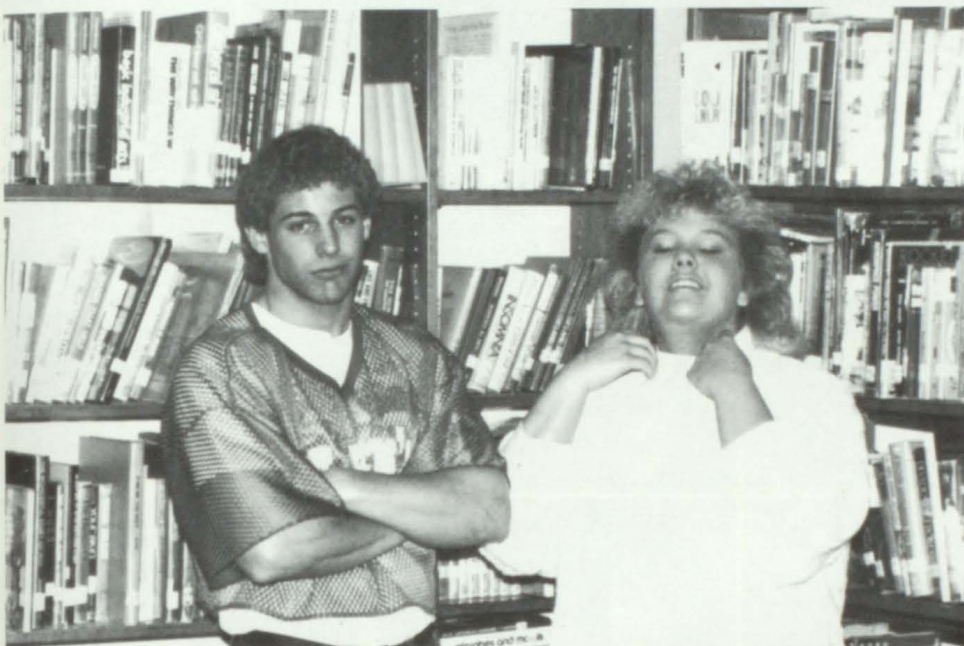


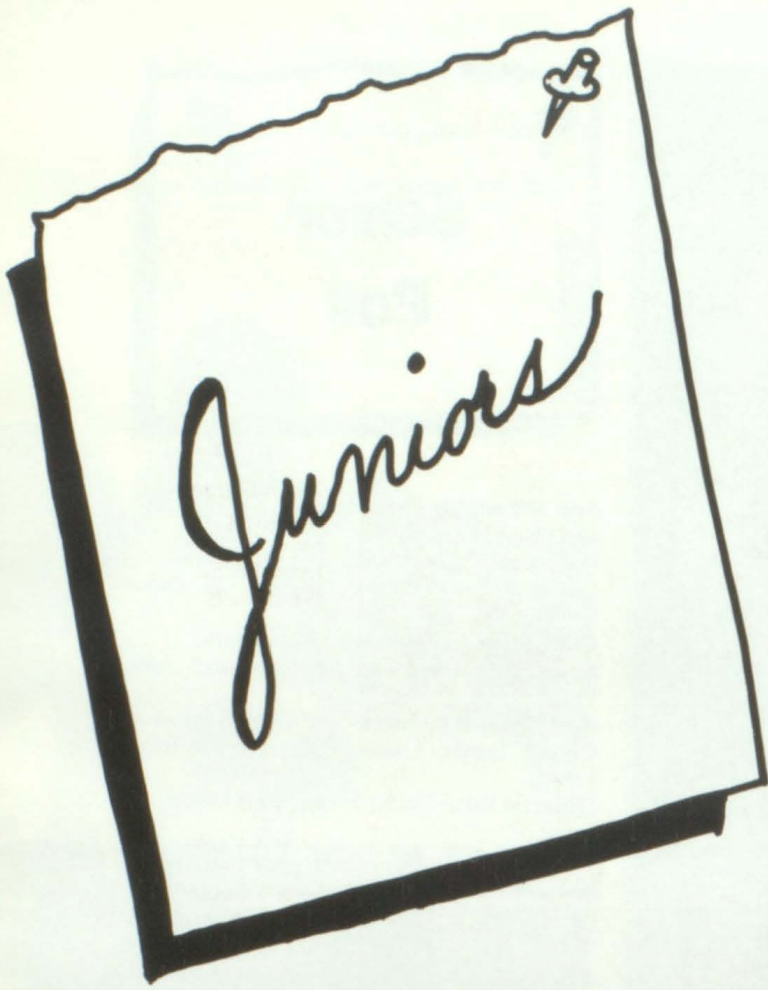





  
**Senior  
Poll**

**Best Musicians** Chris Ratzlaff, Paul Larson,  
and Shelly Giesen.  
**Best Actors** Dave Crislip and Amy Ebert.  
**Craziest Laugh** Stacy Kramer and Dave  
Crislip.  
**Class Flirts** Jon Theis and Ann Thurk.  
**Most Talkative** Tim Stangret and Ann  
Thurk.  
**Best Dressed** Jill Seeley and Dave Kahlow.  
**Cutest Smile** Diane Ohlsen and Tony  
Kunze.  
**Quietest** Brian Vollrath and Sonja Olson.





Mike Heimerl



Heidi Pretzel



Catherine Kirsch



Rachel Wright



Gary Jensen



Julie Weinzierl

## Changes, Changes, Changes

How do you feel you have changed most since you started Waconia High School?

*Cathy Kirsch:* "I've become more outgoing and have many new friends. Also with so many things going on in high school the year seems to go faster."

*Heidi Pretzel:* "I am allowed to do more things. I have my own job instead of having my parents help me pay for things. You understand society more as you get older."

*Rachel Wright:* "I've made a lot of new friends and have had to take on a lot of responsibility and have had a lot of good times with my friends."

*Gary Jensen:* "Since I moved here I really got to know how to party."

*Julie Weinzierl:* "I have made a lot of new friends and have learned a lot of things about people and places. I have gotten more trust in things."



Jenny Theis, Tami Stahlke, Andrea Fulkerson, Peggy Steinhagen, Heather Delin, Krista Hellekson



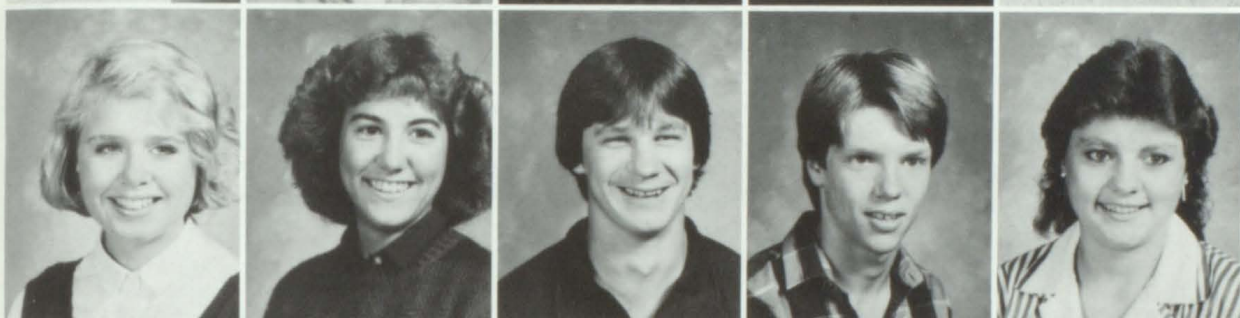
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Brian Carlson



Jim Clancy  
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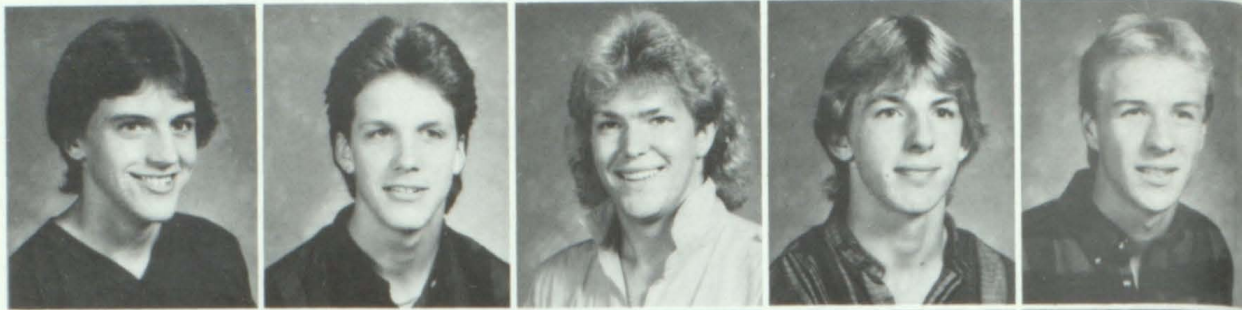


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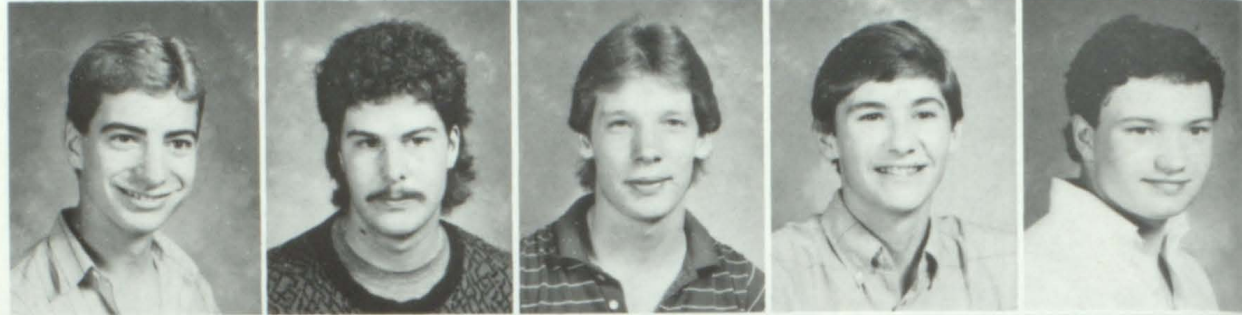


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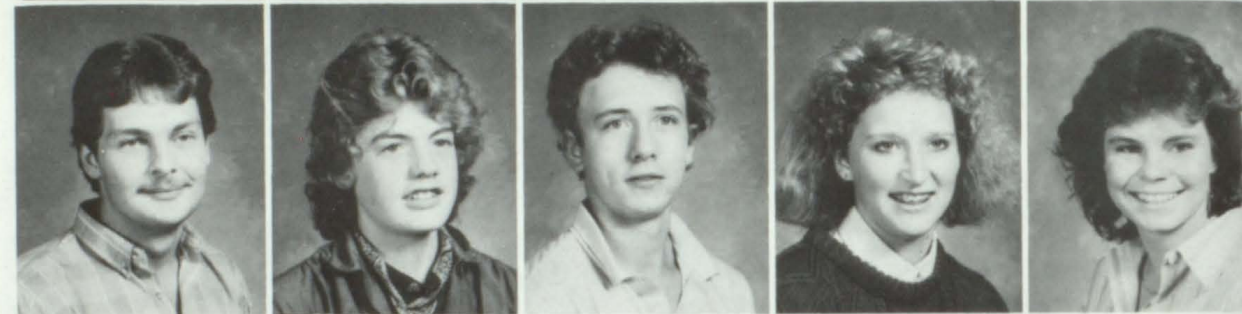
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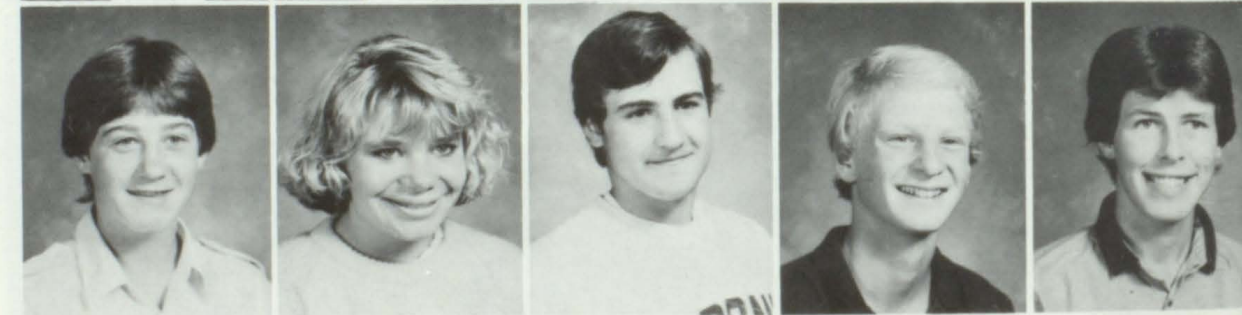
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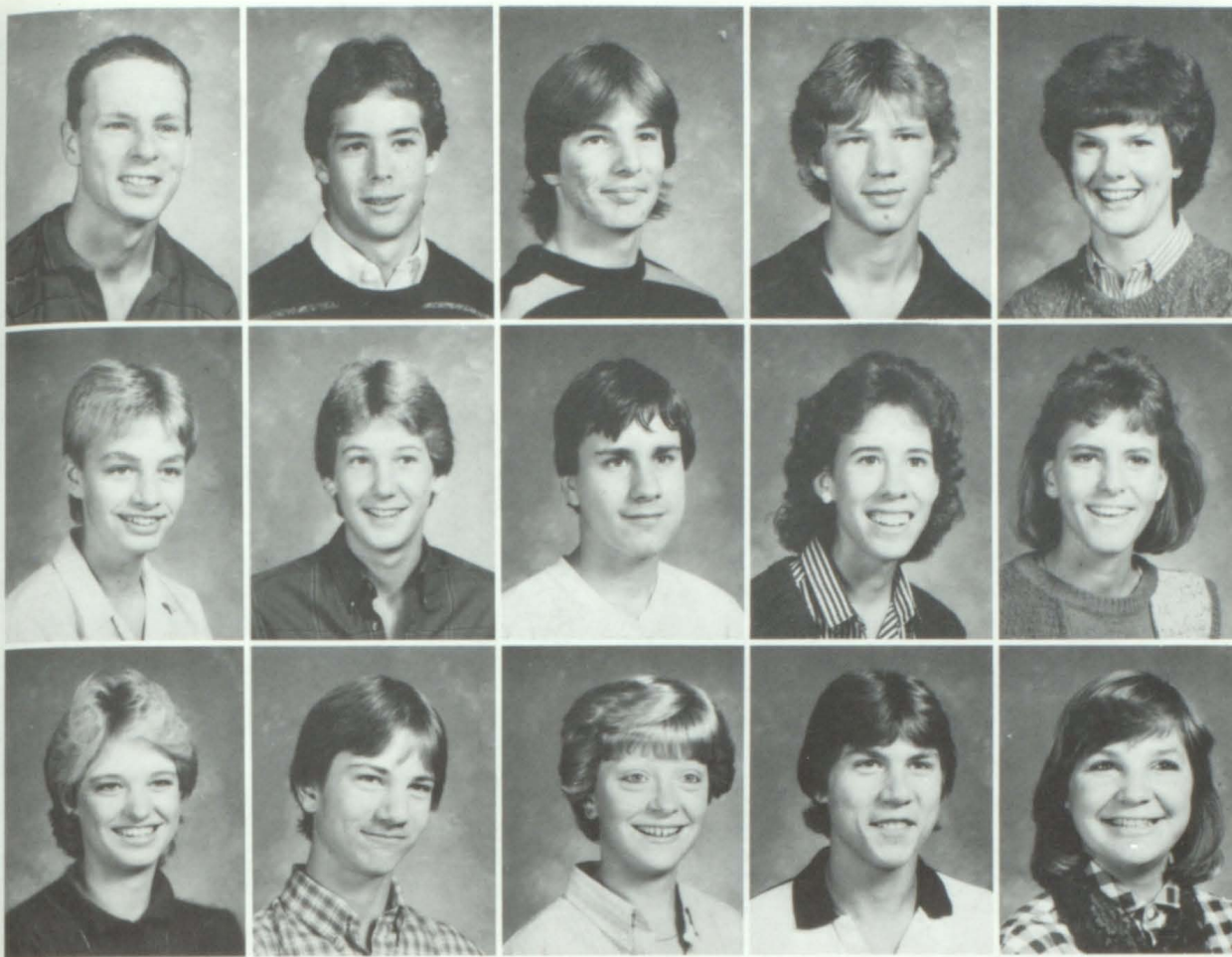


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Bill Koppi  
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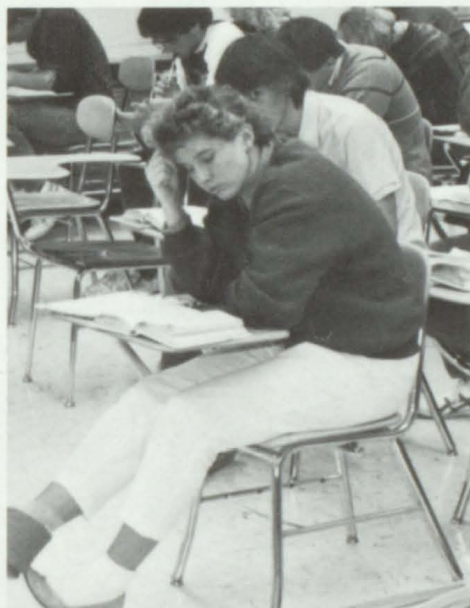
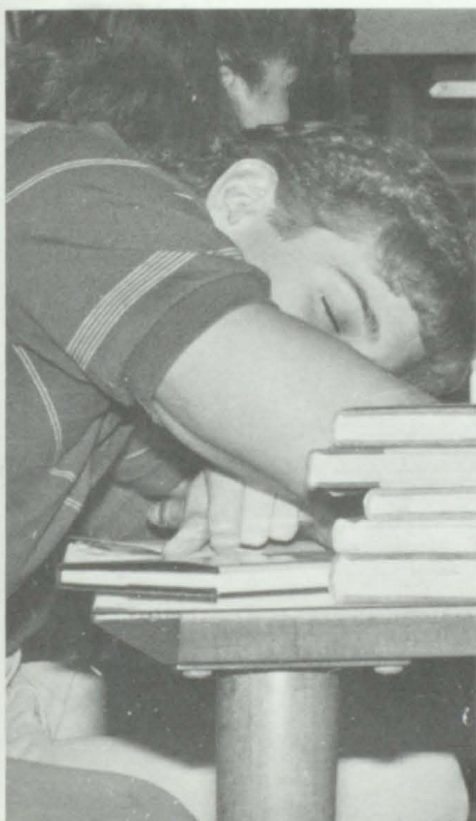
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## Monday Snooze

After the weekend some students find it hard to stay awake Monday mornings. Maybe you stayed up too late doing last minute homework, or you just had to watch the late late movie on T.V., or else, like most, you stayed too long at that great party the night before.

Here are a few of the ways you can get away with sleeping in school.

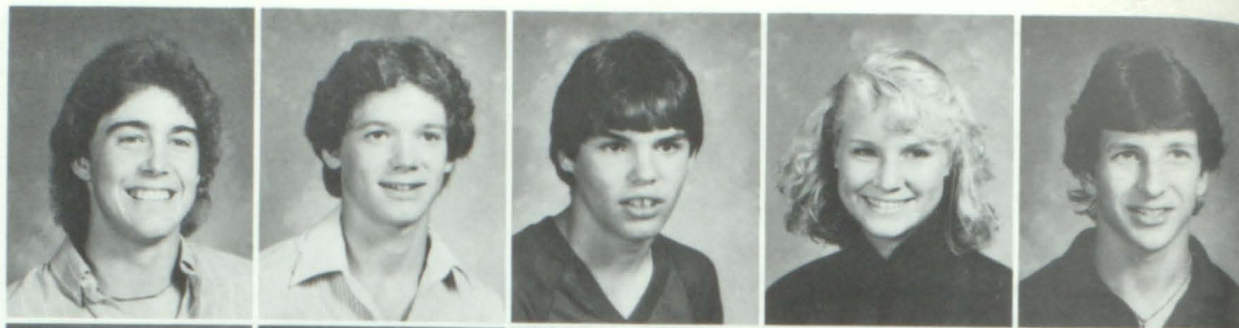
- 1) Pretend you are sick and go to the office and lie down.
- 2) Wear shades so the teachers will not know if you are sleeping.
- 3) Hide behind a book and pretend you are reading.
- 4) Tell your teacher you have to go talk to Mr. Winter and go out to your car and crash.
- 5) Go to the library and sleep.



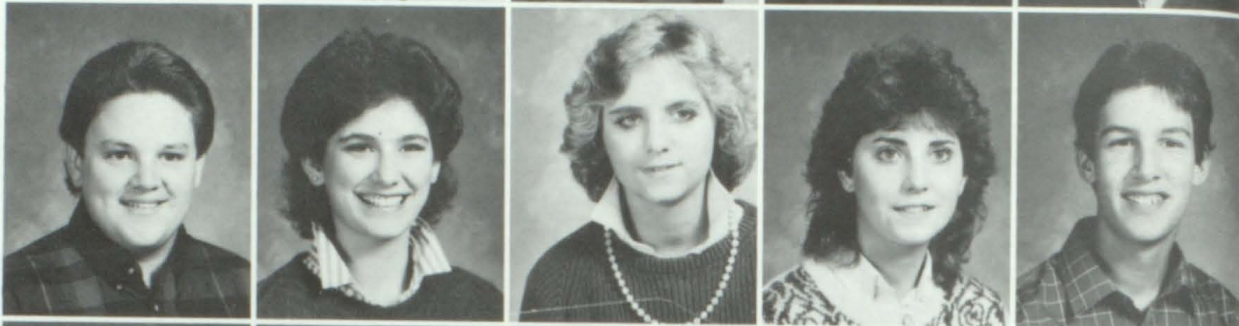
**Above.** Nancy Geiger seems to be sleeping through her first period class.

**Left.** David Crislip crashes in the library.

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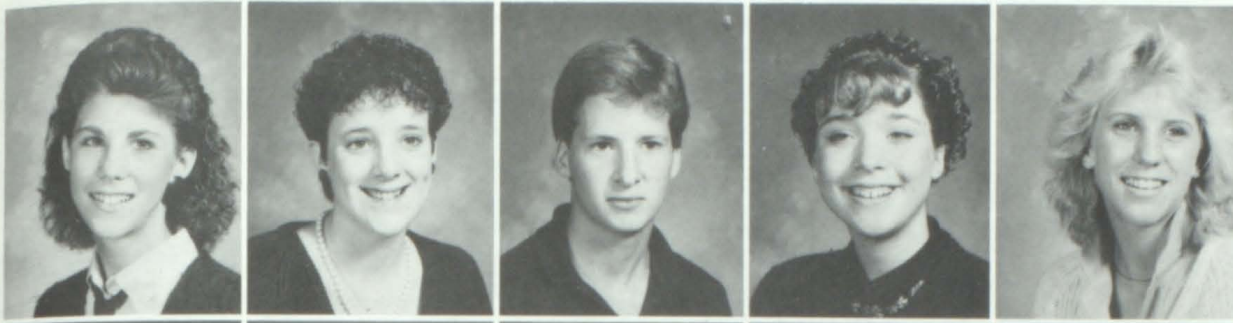
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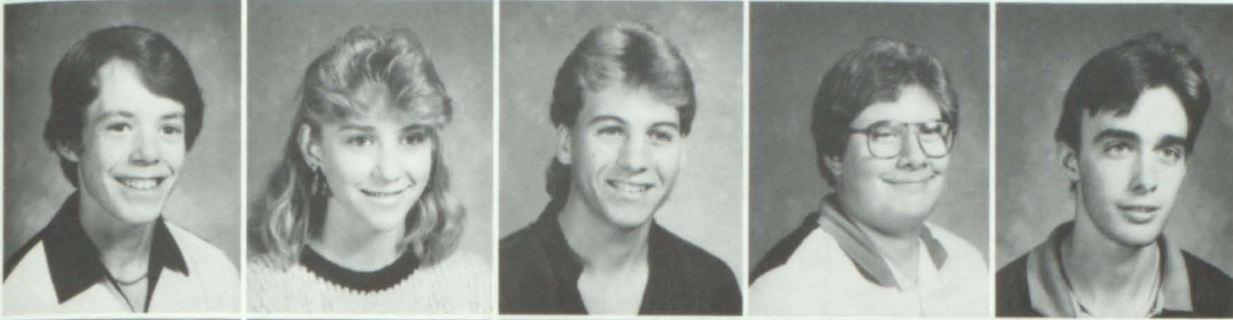
## Lakeside Ball Room

About 7 years ago a popular hangout for most teenagers was the Paradise Ballroom, located on Lake Waconia. Today, a popular hangout for teenagers at the same location is the recently rebuilt Lakeside Ballroom. Many students go to dances at the Lakeside on Fridays or Saturdays to see popular local rock bands such as Starwolf, Dare Force, Obsession and Shaw. Many go to dance, socialize and meet new people.





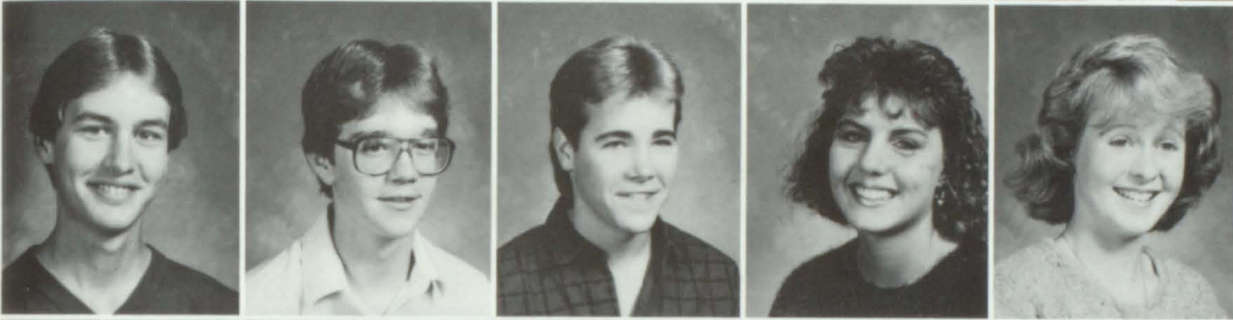
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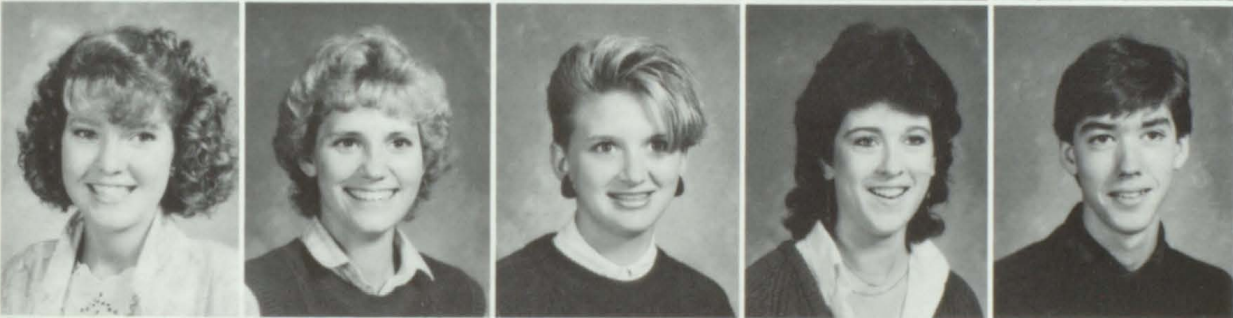
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Stephanie Tice



Cheryl Van Horn  
Diane Van Keulen  
Shelly Veverka  
Julie Weinzierl  
Tom Wempner



Corey Wertish  
Sheri Worm  
Rachel Wright  
Dan Zieroth



Brian Reichenberger



Libby Deardorff



Jodi Bednar



Marnie O'Neil



Traci Wilson



Lara Logelin

## Sophs See Changes

How do you feel that WHS has changed most since you started here in 7th grade?

Jodi Bednar: "Most people's friends have changed. By that I mean their so-called 'groups'; now we know who our real friends are."

Brian Reichenberger: "More people are turning preppy every day but a lot of us still know how to party! Motley rules!"

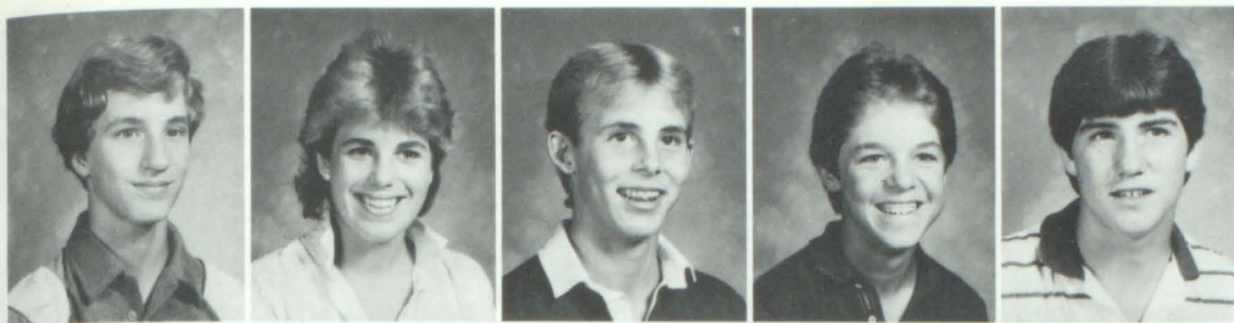
Lara Logelin: "When you get older people start to go their own ways and school goes by so fast."

Libby Deardorff: "Sports have improved. Style has changed and team pride has grown stronger."

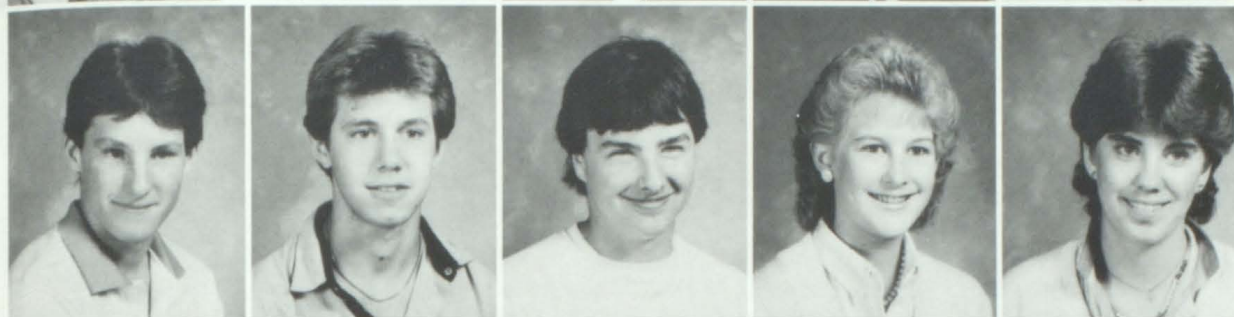


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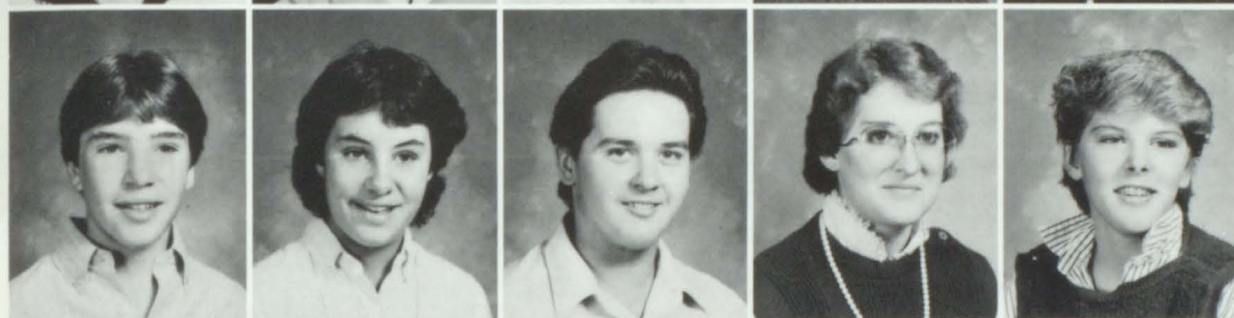
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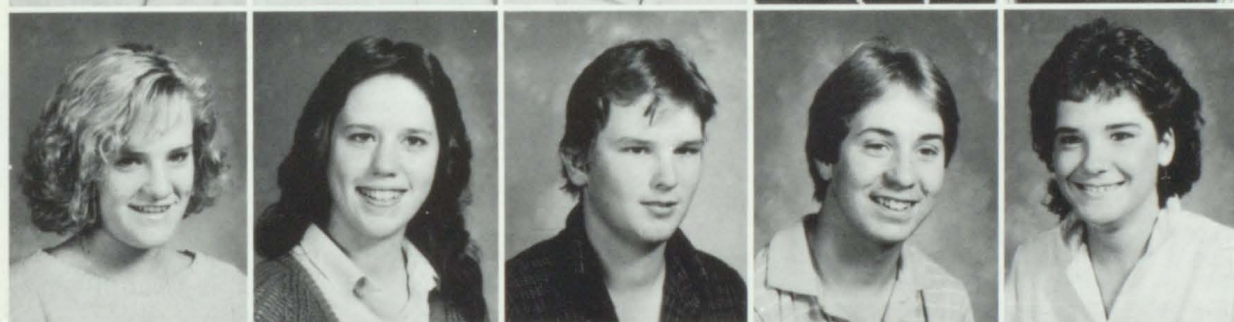
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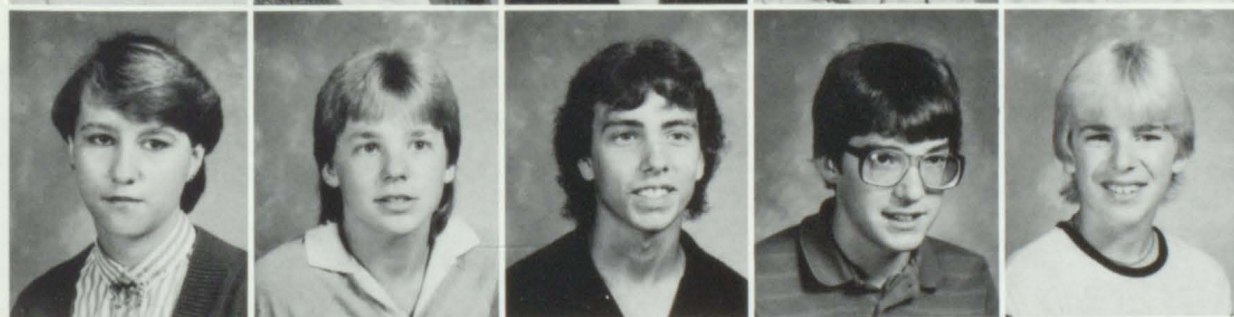
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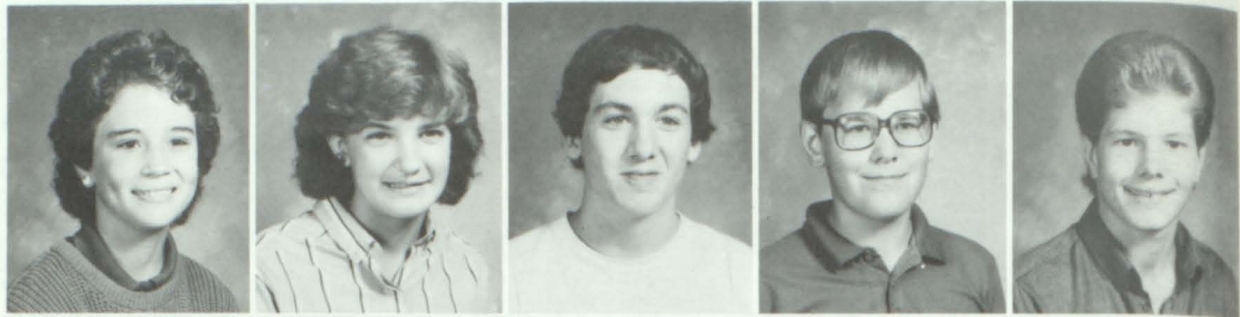


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Brad Grimm

Lisa Hamann  
Jennifer Harms  
Jon Hartmann  
Thor Haugen  
Chris Heagle



Jason Heinen  
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Jason Hilgers  
Jim Huckenpoebler  
Kelly Ittel



Paul Jacobson  
Annie Johansen  
Erick Johnson  
Kristene Johnson  
Robert Joos



Tina Karels  
Missy Kelzer  
Paul Kelzer  
David Kirsch



## Roby... We Will Remember You

It was Friday, February 7, 1986. The halls of Waconia High School were strangely silent as students adjusted to the news that Robert Joos, Jr., their light-hearted friend and classmate, had died that morning as the result of a snowmobile mishap.

Roby was an active and popular student with a lively sense of humor and zest for life. If Roby was

in your class — you were sure to know it! Roby was also active in sports, playing both basketball and baseball.

Those who knew this vivacious and, in his own words, "diminutive" 15-year-old, loved him. His personality, charm, and wit inspired us and we will never forget him.



Roby Joos  
1970-1986





Cris Kolb  
Shawn Koosman  
Pete Kramer  
Peter Kunze  
Sara Kunze



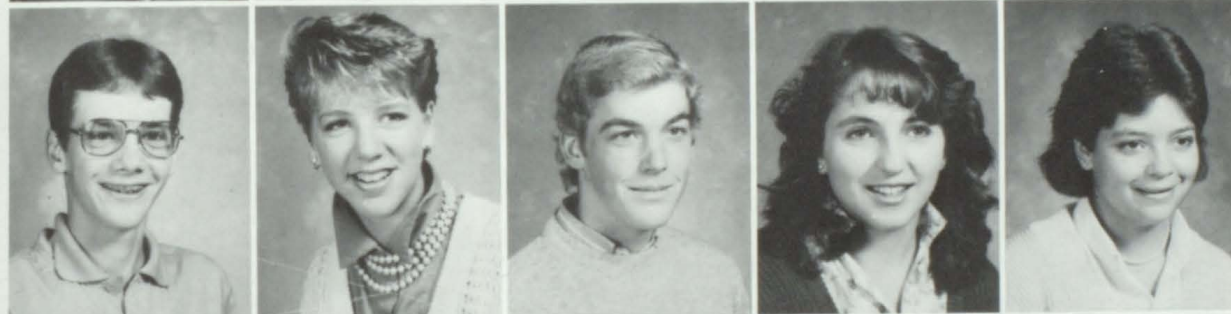
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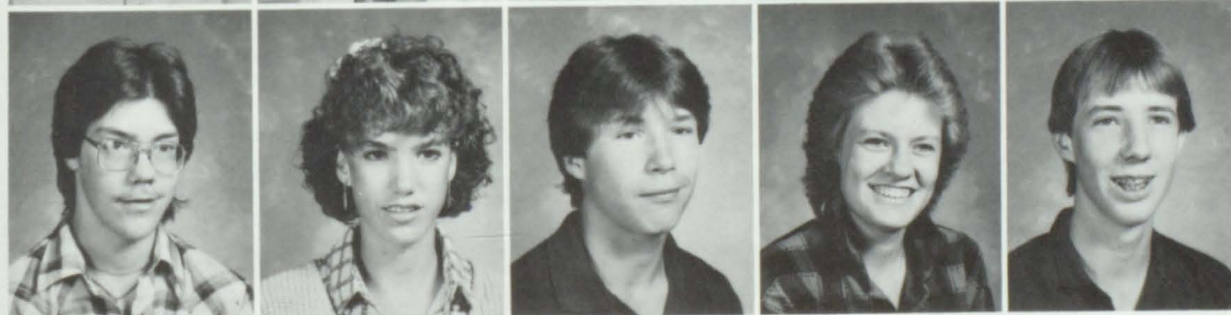
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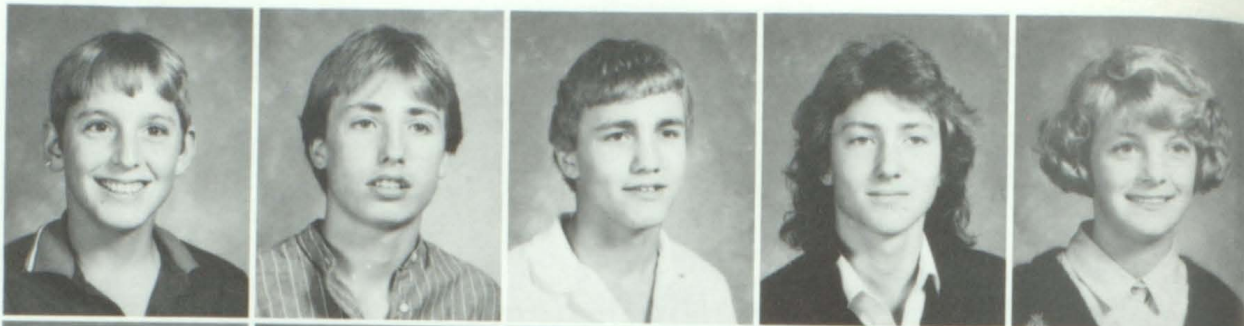


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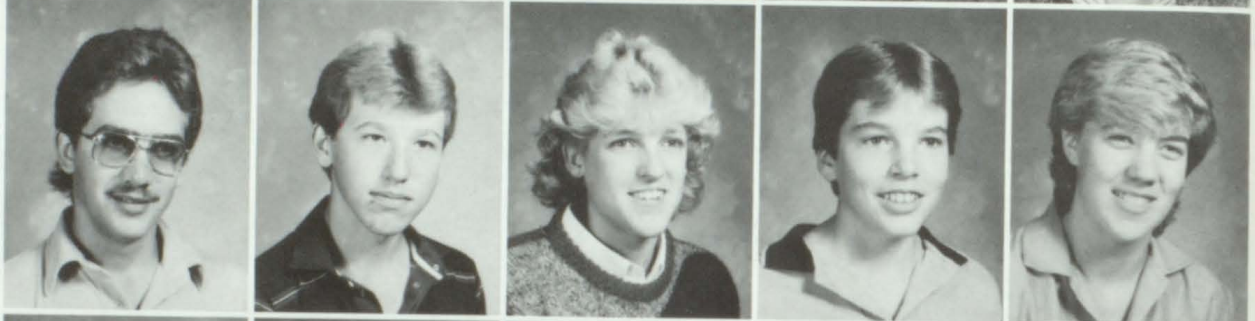
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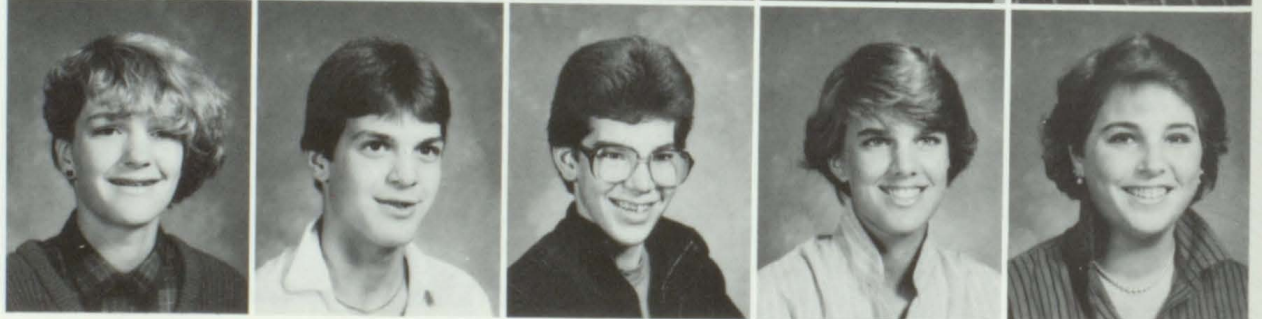
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Larry Wickenhauser  
Lori Wickenhauser  
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Traci Wilson

## Working For A Living



**Above.** Sara Larson and Shelly Giesen work at Matson's.

**Left.** Tony Grobel hard at work at the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre.

Many of us must hold down part time jobs to cope with the rising cost of gas, insurance, clothes, and movies, just to name a few. Juniors and Seniors must also begin to save money for Prom and future schooling. Students work after school and on weekends at such places as the Chanhassen Dinner Theater, Matson Drug, and Hardees.

# Classes



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# February

W	T	F	S
			1
	<i>International Days</i>		8
12	<i>Band Contest</i>	14	15
19	20	21	22
26	27	28	

# March

T	F	S
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7	8	12
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<i>Spring Break</i>		

# Administration



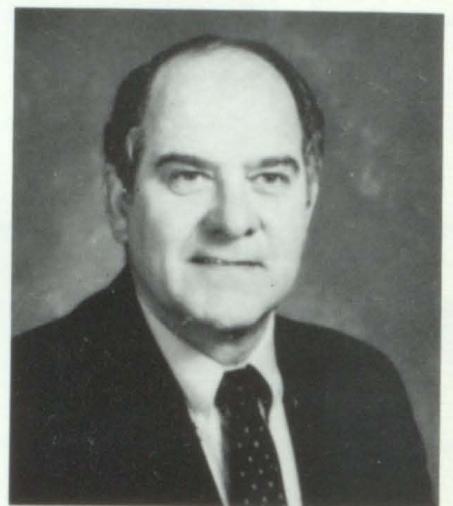
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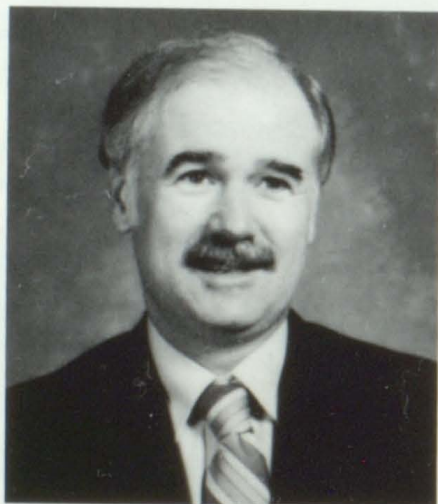
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Sr. High Principal

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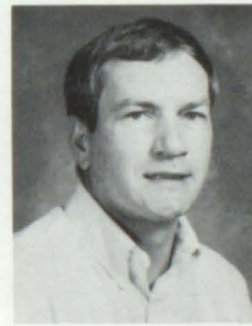
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Speech Therapy



Mr. John Walsh  
Special Education

# Teacher Involvement Brings Innovation To Social Dept.

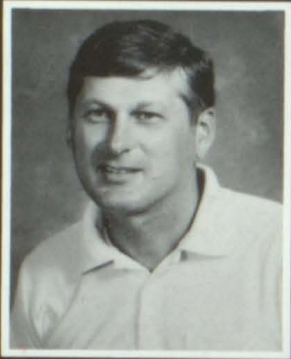
Imagine it's 12:00 on a Sunday night and you still have five pages to go on a foreign country report for Area Studies, or it's Saturday night and you have to stay home to finish the last 100 pages of your social problems book. At times like these, the average high school student is like-

ly to ponder our highly involved social studies department in less than glowing terms.

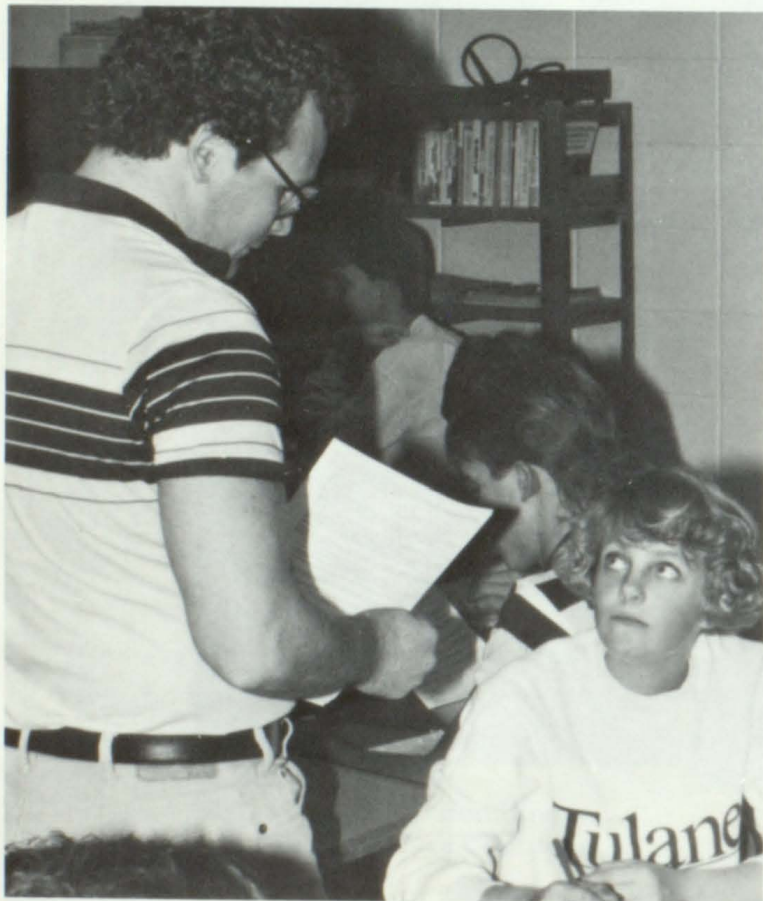
New and innovative programs in social studies have been developed in recent years. One of these is the Project Ideas program for gifted students. Students are selected for

this class using previous social studies grades and other factors as general guidelines. A board of teachers vote for student placement into this program.

Faculty involvement characterizes the WHS social studies department. If a student



Mr. Ken McDonald



New and innovative programs in social studies have been developed in recent years.

ever needs to discuss a grade, work on a project, sell a stock, or just talk, the social studies staff will always be on hand. This attitude towards students makes the social studies department a high quality educational opportunity for students.

**This Page.** Mr. Blassey checks out the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

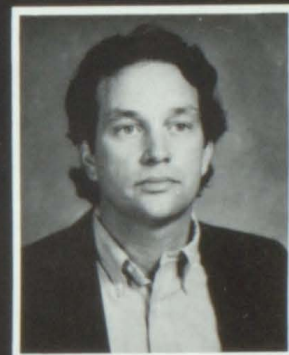
**Opposite Page. Top.** Current Events is the topic of conversation in History 10.

**Bottom Left.** Mr. Hullander answers a question for Amy Reilly.

**Bottom Right:** A senior social studies class discusses world politics.



Mr. Steve Hullander



Mr. Michael Blassey



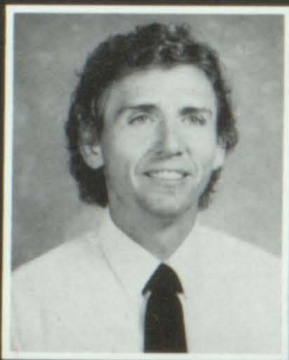
Mr. Jon Luebke

# Unity Of Purpose Characterizes English/Speech Department

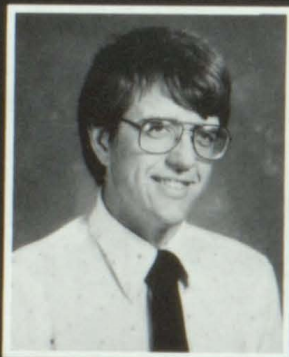
"One interesting thing about the English department is that Ms. Schellack, Mrs. Kolb, Mr. Torborg and I all came to Waconia the same year. It says something that we have all stayed here since then . . ." stated Mr. Wayne Mortensen,

English Department chairman. This devotion and 'team spirit' has characterized the WHS English Department. Students develop an understanding for literature ranging from "The Outsiders" in tenth grade to Shakespeare's "Macbeth"

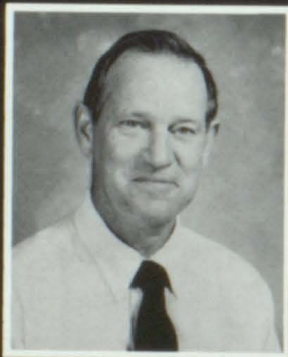
in twelfth grade. Then there's composition. In these classes, one can learn the basics of grammar and how to write a paragraph using the "general-to-particular-to-general" method in just one short semester.



Mr. Wayne Mortensen



Mr. Kim Benson



Mr. Mel Anderson



"One interesting thing about the English Department is that Ms. Shellack, Mrs. Kolb, Mr. Torborg, and I all came to Waconia in the same year."  
W. Mortensen

Speech classes are something else. Skills for speaking in front of a group of people are learned. Who can forget their first "Controversial Issue" speech? Teachers Ms. Shellack and Mr. Torborg try to teach students elocution skills that will make them feel at ease in public speaking.

**Opposite Page.**

Erica Lehmann conjugates verbs during spirit week.

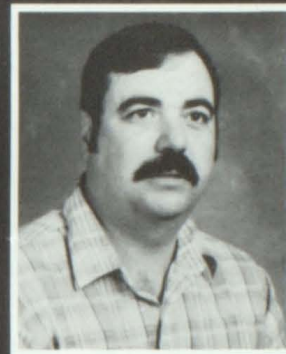
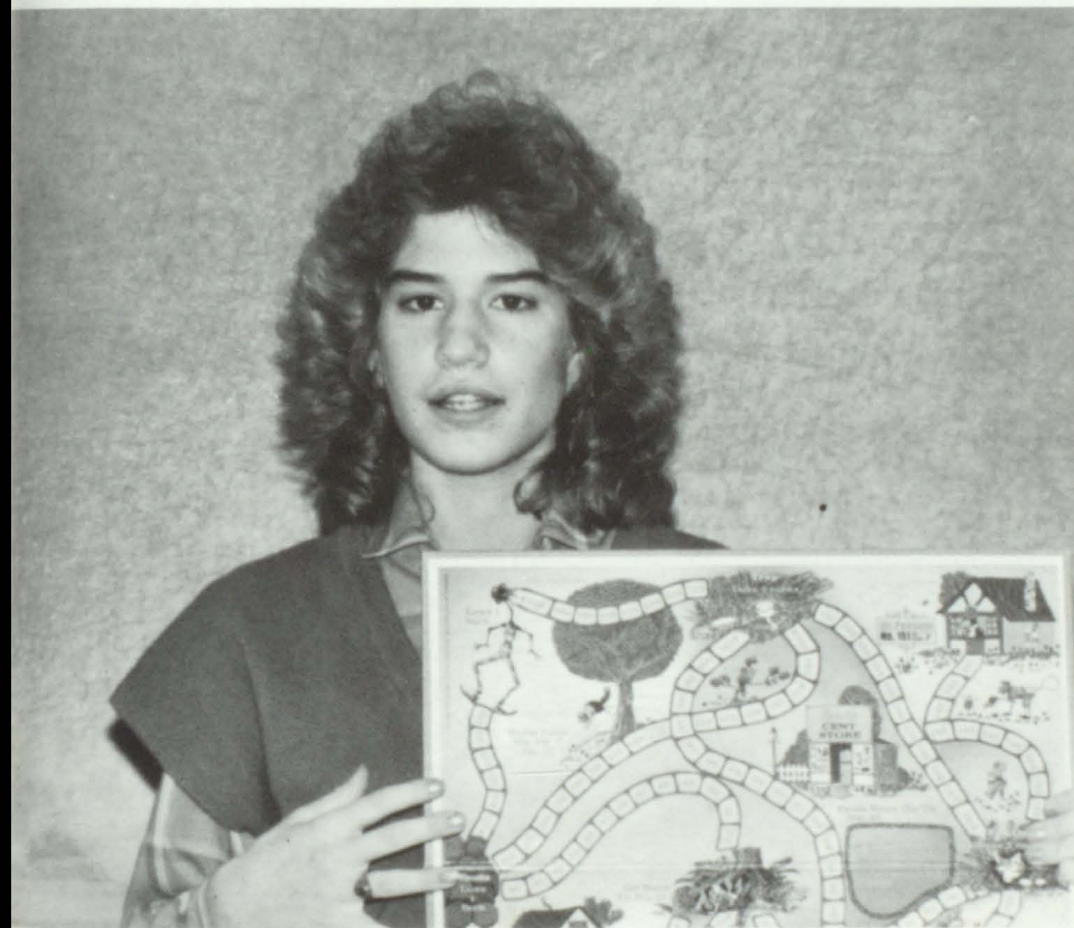
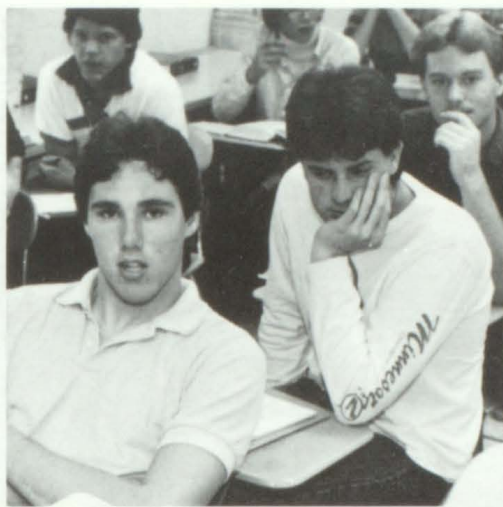
**This Page.**

**Far Left.** Brad Heyer looks up from his English textbook.

**Left:** Mike Rock and Kern Linton try to contain their excitement in comp. 12.

**Lower Left.** Lynn Bruno discusses the finer points of the game Uncle Wiggly in speech class.

**Below.** Mr. Anderson rests on his crutches between classes.



Mr. Mark Torborg



Ms. Polly Schellack



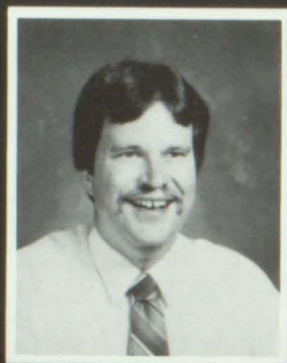
# Band, Choir Strive For Excellence, Diversity In Programs

The Waconia High School Concert Choir, under the direction of Ron Larson, had quite a busy year. The choir was featured at Prep Bowl IV, sent four students to the Dorian Festival in Decorah, Iowa, gave their regular seasonal concerts, traveled to Luther College for the Dorian Choir Festival, and even

began planning for a special trip to New York next year for the Big Apple Choir Festival. Mr. Larson has been with the school for 18 years and Mrs. Kathie Pedersen has been the choir accompanist for 4 years. The Choral Music Department, which also includes the choir for

the seventh through ninth grades, has had many students go on to college and major in music.

This year's band program is headed by newcomer, Mr. Tim Pofahl. He replaced Mr. James Thulien, who had been the WHS band director for many years.



Mr. Tim Pofahl



Mr. Ron Larson



Mrs. Kathie Pedersen



"There's sure no passion in the human soul, but it finds its food in music."  
 — George Lillo

Mr. Pofahl directs the seventh, eighth and ninth grade bands, as well as Concert Band, Jazz Band and Marching Band. Mr. Pofahl originates from Bloomington and had previously taught at Owatonna High School. This year's band has been involved in competitions at Hutchinson and a Solo Ensemble contest at Eden Prairie.

**Opposite Page. Top.** Members of the 85-86 Concert Choir.

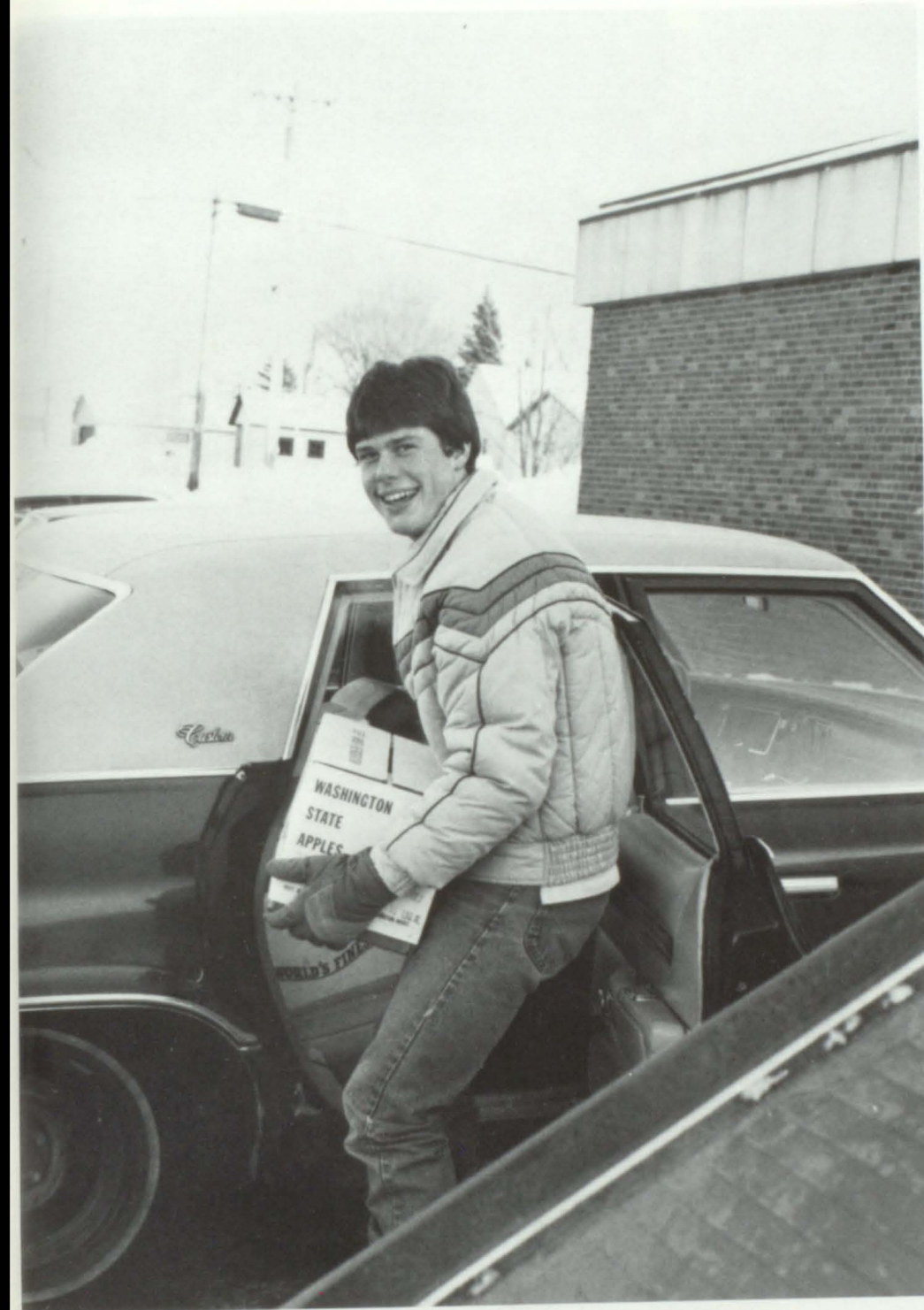
**Opposite Page. Lower Left.** Brenda Siegle smiles at the camera during a break in the music.

**Opposite Page. Lower Right.** Ann Karels sings "Awake the Trumpet's Lofty Sound."

**Below Left.** Paul Larson loads a case of apples during Marching Band citrus sales.

**Below.** Mr. Larson engages in the continuing battle of releasing the jaws.

**Bottom Right.** Scott Foss toots his own horn!



# Physical Fitness And Good Health Are Major Goals Of Phy. Ed./Health Dept.

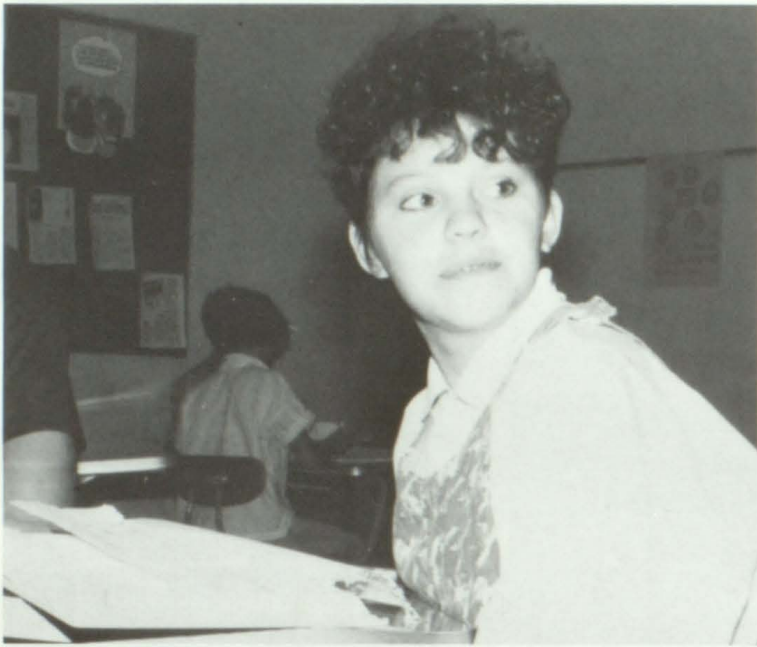
Stretch, 2, 3, 4, release, 2, 3, 4. These are words often heard in a Phy. Ed. class led by Mrs. Lois Lien, who has been with W.H.S. for 31 years, more years than any other teacher currently working at Waconia.

Phy. Ed. and health classes both

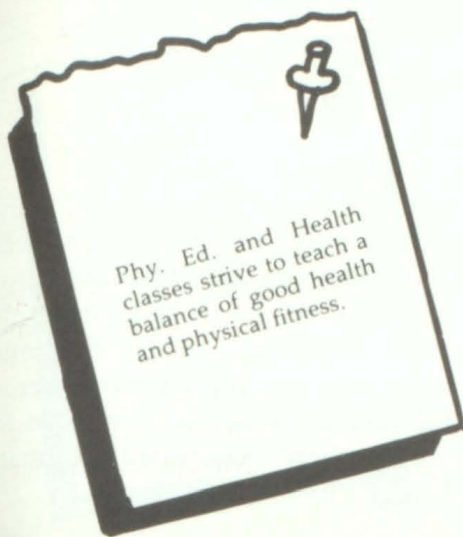
strive to give students a background and knowledge in keeping themselves healthy and physically fit. The teachers of these classes all believe that achieving a balance in health and physical fitness will help students at Waconia to lead happier, longer

lives.

In health classes, required for all sophomores, students are taught about the human body, how it works, diseases it can contract, and the proper nutrition it needs to keep it healthy. Mrs. Jeanne Anderson teaches these classes.







In the Phy. Ed. Department, Mrs. Lois Lien, Mr. Al Blanshan, and Mr. Mel Anderson teach students many athletic skills. These areas include social dancing, volleyball, floor hockey, and many others. Units such as archery, orienteering, track and field, weight training help students learn individual skills, and team sports such as basketball, badminton, baseball, and touch football teach students to work together in groups.

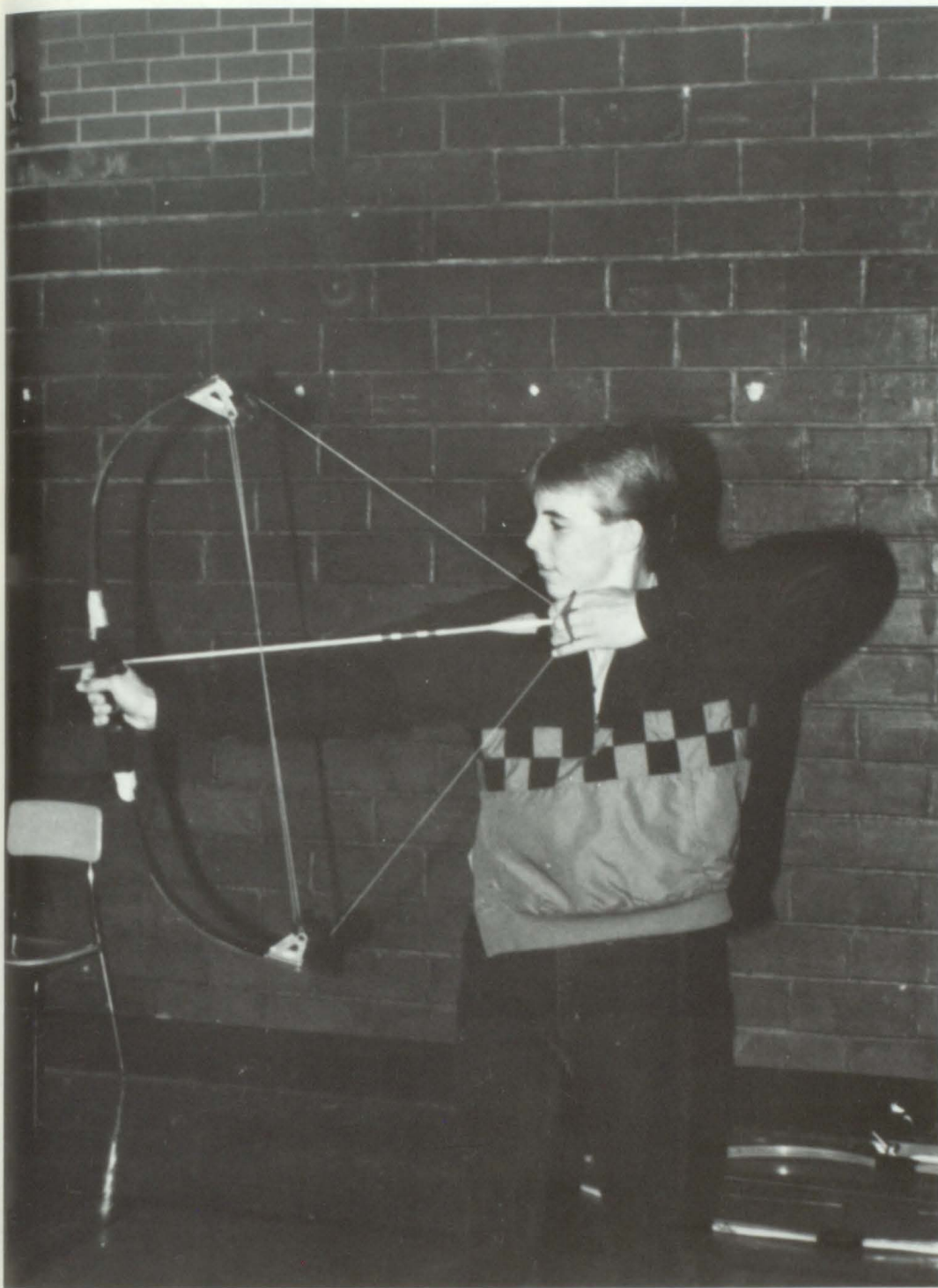
**This Page. Top.** Kyle Berger aims for the bullseye in archery.

**Opposite Page. Top Left.** Gretchen Salzl looks up from her first aid handbook.

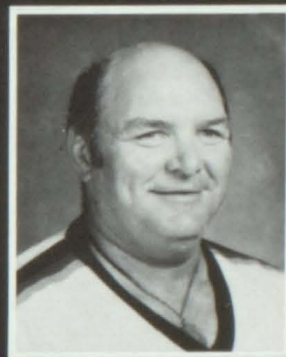
**Opposite Page. Lower Left.** Tim Rissell masters the deck game of shuffle board.

**Opposite Page. Lower Right.** Chris Heagle catches up on some much needed sleep while Tina Karels completes her Health assignment.

**Opposite Page. Top Right.** Peter Kunze goes for the elusive lay-up.



Mrs. Lois Lien



Mr. Al Blanshan



Mrs. Jeanne Anderson

# Prepare For The Future With Business Ed/ReCare

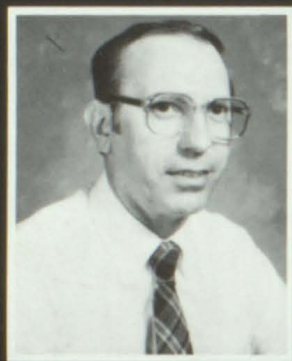
In the past, most classes were designed to teach the student basic facts and figures that pointed him or her in the direction of higher learning. Basic practical skills were lost in the shuffle.

But, today, classes like Business Education and ReCare teach students skills that prepare them for the world at large.

Business Education students learn to operate business machines, run computers, manage finances, and present themselves to the job market. All of these skills are practical and give students job skills they might otherwise not have.

ReCare is a new class at WHS. In this setting students learn to improve their study skills. (The name

itself means "to care again.") Instructor Mrs. Sharon Carlson gives each pupil an individualized program to aid in working toward their individual goals. Students learn practical approaches towards life and the basic skills needed to make them successful human beings.



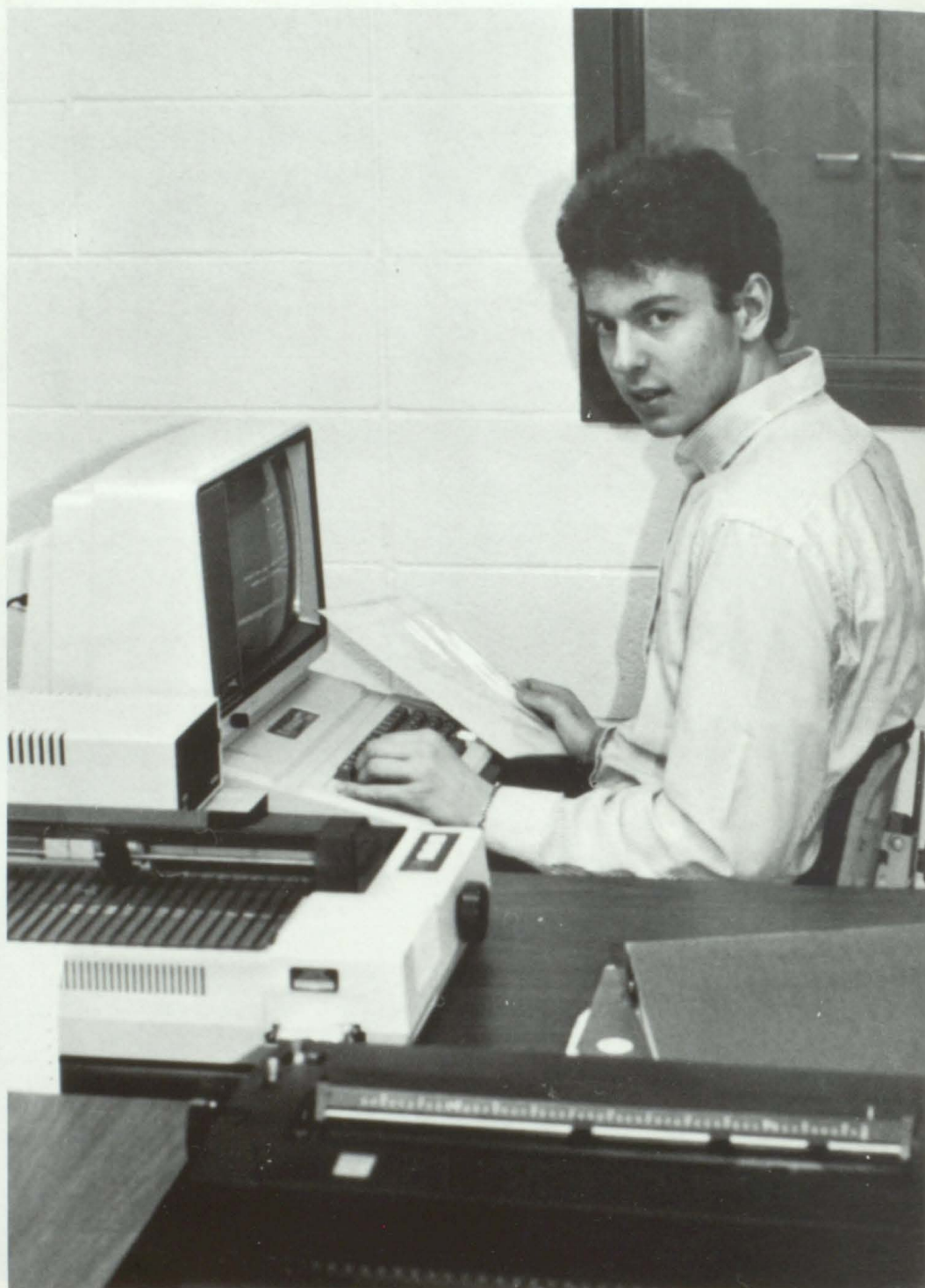
Mr. Ken Gerding



Ms. Lydia Thometz



Mrs. Sharon Carlson



Business Ed. and ReCare  
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 at large.

Even though at first glance, these classes may seem quite basic, below the surface they hold many rewards. A student needs only to apply him or herself towards their programs to reach the desired goal — success.

**Opposite Page.** Pat Mathot glances up as he works on his computer program.

**This Page. Upper Left.** Amy Ebert adds it up on her machine.

**Upper Right.** A listening activity is enjoyed by Jenny Theis and friends.

**Lower Left.** Libby Deardorff and Sara Kunze take a skills test in ReCare.

**Lower Right.** "Is this a good smile?" says Missy Geisen in Accounting.



# Students Enjoy Spanish And Art Electives

**D**o you know how to say "hello" in Spanish? Can you create a "perspective drawing"? Students taking Spanish and art can! These classes open up worlds of opportunities — both vocational and entertaining.

Vocational opportunities available to art students are varied. Ar-

chitecture, drafting, interior design, and fashion design are some of the many career opportunities available to people trained in the basics of art.

Foreign language speakers are in constant demand. Many jobs as translators, social workers, teachers, law enforcement officers, and

government workers require at least some knowledge of the Spanish language.

Besides the obvious benefits of new job opportunities, students say Spanish and art are fun! The feeling of accomplishment one gets from completing a project or being able to read something in another language is worth all the work!



Mrs. Bergetta Mason



Mrs. Corinne Dulgar

**Right.** Rachel Wright gets some "hands on" experience at the pottery wheel.

**Opposite Page:**

**Lower Left.** Ann Mendiola looks as if she enjoys Spanish.

**Upper Left.** A Spanish II class hard at work on their workbooks.

**Upper Right.** Jeff Sicheneder molds a clay hand in ceramics.

**Lower right.** Chris Hanson gets some much needed rest after a Spanish II quiz.



## En Español:

¿Sabes cómo se dice "hello" en español? ¿Puedes crear un dibujo perspectivo? ¡Los alumnos que estudian español y arte pueden! Estas clases abren mundos de oportunidades — profesinales y divertidas a la vez.

Oportunidades profesionales obtenibles por los alumnos de arte son variadas. La arquitectura, el dibujo lineal, el diseño interior, y el

diseño de las modas son unas de las muchas oportunidades profesionales a la disposición de las personas especializadas en los fundamentos de arte.

Siempre hay necesidad para personas que hablan otros idiomas. Muchos trabajos como traductores, profesores, representantes de la ley, y empleados del gobierno requieren por lo menos un conocimiento básico de español.

¡Además de los beneficios obvios de oportunidades aumentadas para

trabajos, los alumnos dicen que el español y el arte son divertidos! El sentimiento de logro que se siente por cumplir un proyecto o por poder leer algo en otro idioma vale toda la pena de los esfuerzos.



# Ag/Vo Tech Students Develop Job Skills

Do you know what your future holds in store? What will you be doing 5 years from now? Students enrolled in VoTech and Agriculture classes are already started down the road towards their futures. Students taking Agriculture plan on careers in farming, and students in VoTech plan on careers in many fields.

Agriculture classes teach students such diverse skills as animal nutrition, tractor maintenance, concrete and masonry, animal science, job interviews, hydraulics, ag salesmanship, electricity and electric motors, financial planning, cash flows and budgets and formulating livestock

rations. A class for seniors called Agriculture Career Experience gives students the chance to get actual work experience in agriculture-related jobs.

VoTech Classes such as Food Occupations and Construction Trades really prepare students for their future.



Mr. Dennis Bjorklund



Students enrolled in VoTech and Agriculture are already started down the road to their futures.

In Food Occupations, students get an overview of the jobs available in the food industry. Work is made to be as close as possible to actual on-the-job experience, with students using commercial food service equipment:

In Construction Trades, students cover basic skills in carpentry, electrical, masonry, plumbing, heating, and painting. Student projects include construction of a 1200 square foot house from footings to completion and several remodeling projects.

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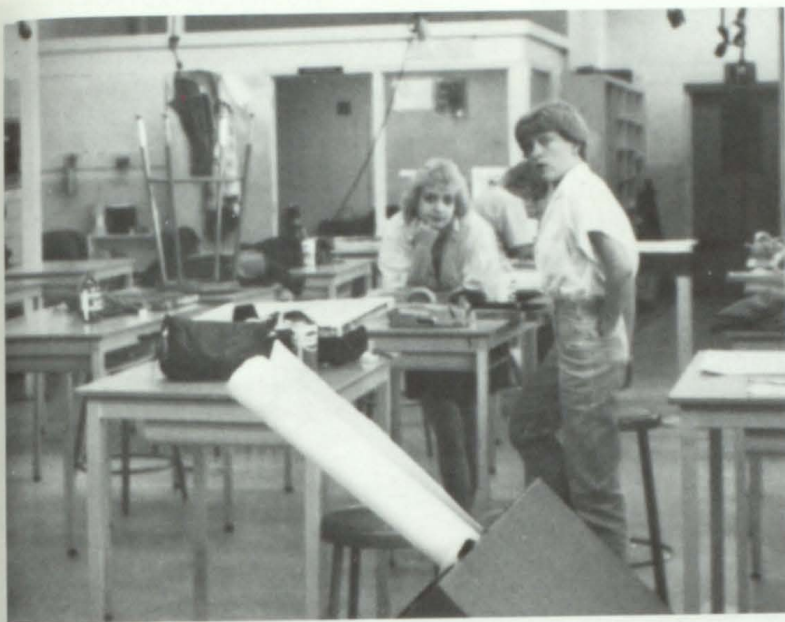
Gary Laabs works on an engine. **Opposite Page. Right.** Dan Traver displays his pride in the WHS FFA program.

**This Page. Top Left.** Carol Olson and Tracy Menth take a break in graphics class.

**This Page. Lower Left.** The latest issue of "The Farmer" is humorous to Russ Storms.

**This Page. Lower Right.** Kari Rademacher shows off a project in progress at Vo-tech.

**This Page. Top Right.** Steve Buetow works hard on his Agriculture assignment.



# Home Economics/Ind. Arts: Not Just For Stereotypes

A few years ago, it used to be an unwritten law that boys took Industrial Art and girls took Home Economics. But in recent years this has been changing drastically. It is now not at all uncommon to have the boys washing the dishes and the girls doing a drafting layout. With the traditional roles of boys

and girls being set aside, more and more students are taking courses that were previously not available, and many doors are being opened up to these students.

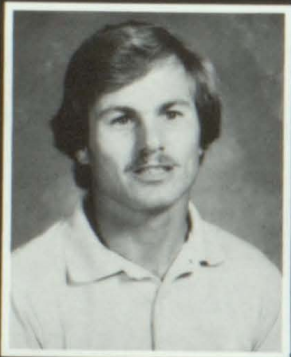
The Home Economics Department teaches basic things, like measurements and simple sewing and cooking to underclassmen and

also offers more involved classes such as Child Development and Foods II. For the older students, these classes can also become an extracurricular activity for those who choose to be in FHA (Future Homemakers of America.)

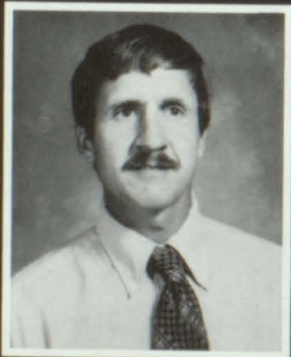
In the Industrial Arts Department, basic skills in spot welding,



Mrs. Carol Lundquist



Mr. Robert  
Lindemann



Mr. Robin Jacobs





It is now not at all uncommon to have the boys washing dishes and the girls doing drafting layouts.

cutting wood, and finishing are taught in junior high and more advanced skills are available to high school students. Students may draw up a project, such as a gun cabinet, and then build it for their grade.

Both of these areas teach skills important in many possible career opportunities and may also be helpful to the student at home.

**Opposite Page.** Jane Hudinsky works out a complicated plan in drafting.  
**This page.** Left. Robby Koehnen says "cheese" for the camera.  
**Top Right.** Paul Larson and Andrew Lake eat a well balanced meal in foods.  
**Bottom Left.** Sewing class is hard but fun for Tracy Wilson.  
**Below Right.** Josh Mortensen examines his lathe.



Mrs. Phyllis Lehrke



# Science Classes Teach Students 'Elements' of Life

Finding the thickness of alcohol in a pan of water, discussing the elements and locating Corpraquadrageмини are common dilemmas facing those students enrolled in science classes. Science classes offered include Chemistry, Biology, Human Anatomy/Physiology and general science. As with any science class, these offer

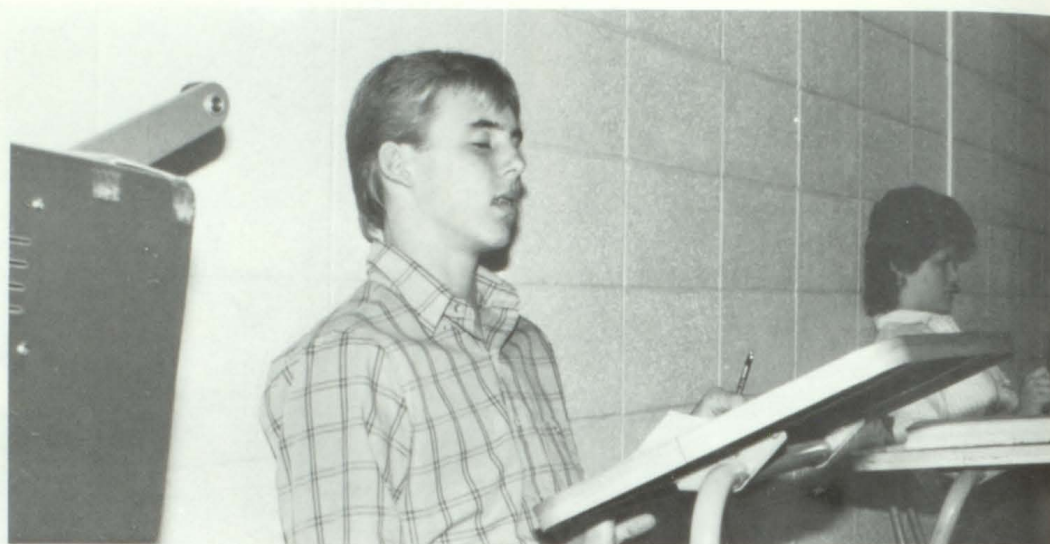
knowledge to the students about the world they live in.

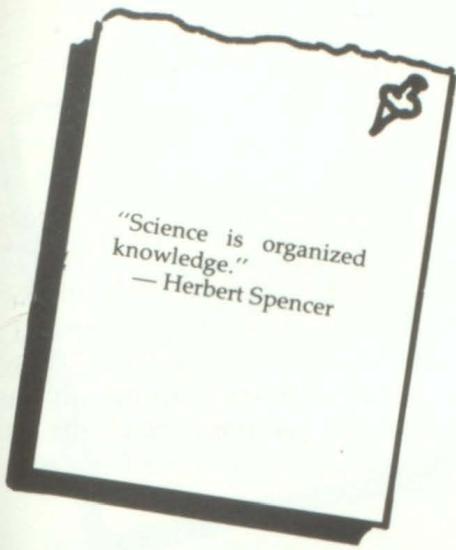
For example, Biology, which is taken by sophomores, gives basic background on everything from microorganisms to the human body. College Biology and Human Anatomy/Physiology (which alternate every other year) are the classes which go into finer detail on

living things. These two courses are available after the completion of Biology. In Chemistry, students explore the molecular structure of chemicals, perform experiments in evaporation and probability, and discuss protons, electrons and neutrons.



Mr. James Crannell





Science students also spend time in the lab doing experiments and getting "hands on" experience dissecting cats and looking at a human brain.

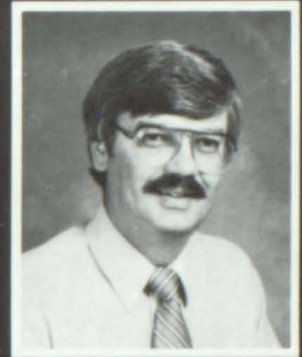
Another option for the sophomores is Mr. Laulainen's Plant and Animal, in which students are given the chance to study in depth the life cycles and processes of living matter and also to discover likenesses between species.

**Opposite Page. Top.** Kyle Berger endures yet another Biology filmstrip.

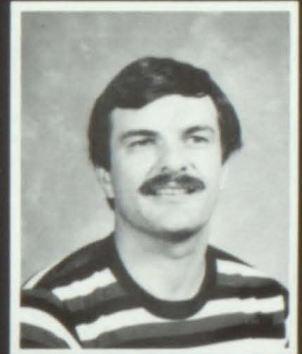
**Opposite Page. Bottom.** Russ Jurek, Peggy Steinhagen, Jenny Theis, and Holly Bentz all enjoy their Anatomy and Physiology experiment.

**This Page. Top.** Amy Ebert discusses the finer points of Chemistry with Barb Guettler.

**This Page. Bottom.** Andy Amrhein poses for the camera during Chemistry.



Mr. Darrell Arman



Mr. John Laulainen



Mr. Don Westermann



# Math Dept. Initiates "Ungraded" System

The Math Department, headed by Mr. Leo Schlumpberger, has been working very hard the last few years to "ungrade" its math classes. Years ago a seventh grader took seventh grade math and an eighth grader took eighth grade math and so on right up to the twelfth grade, no matter what the student's ability. But the Math

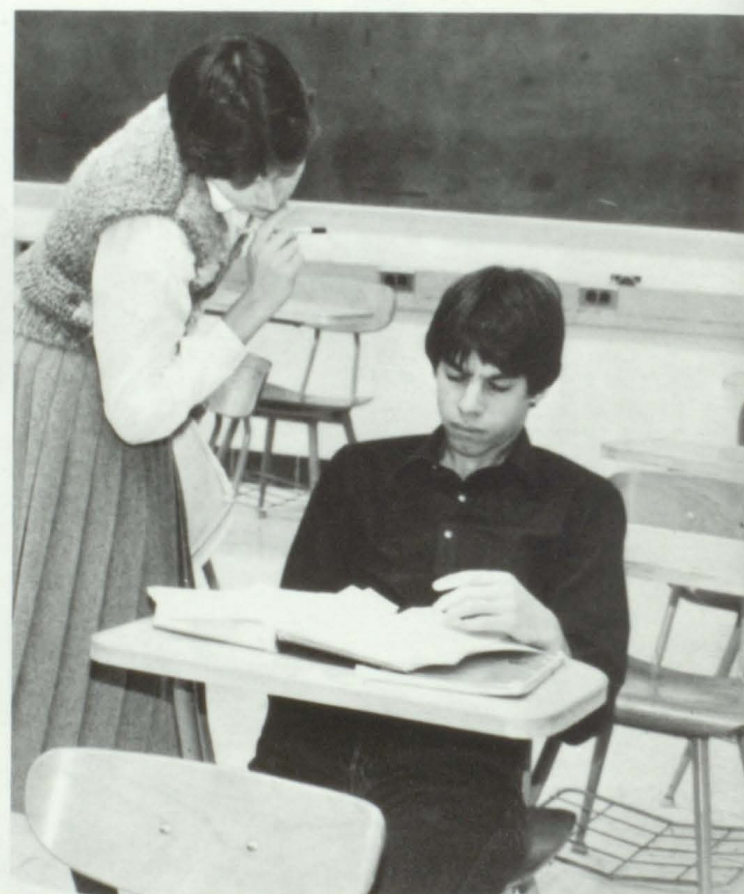
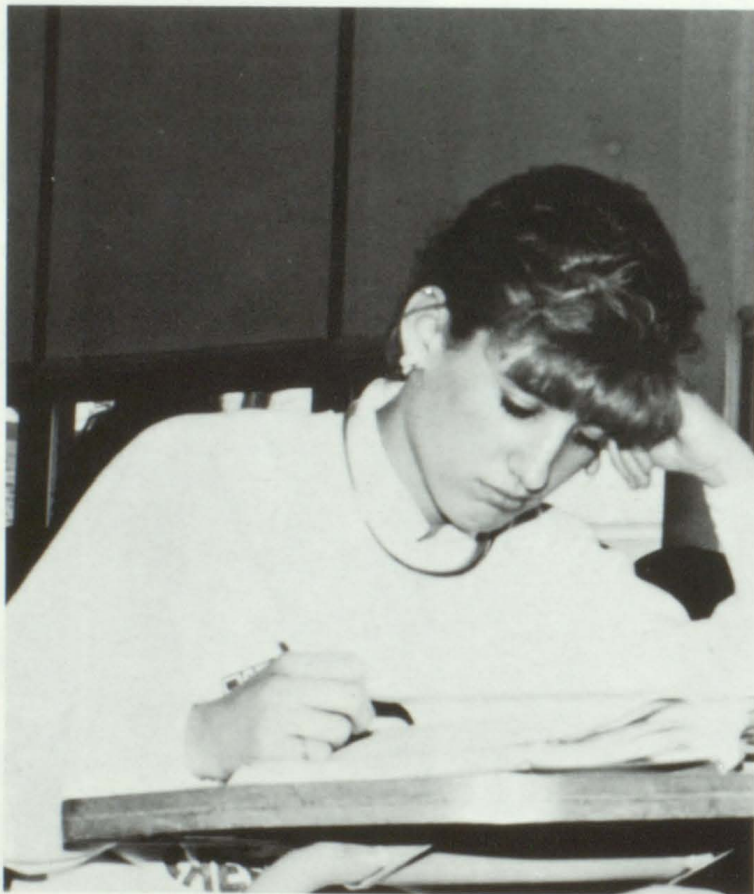
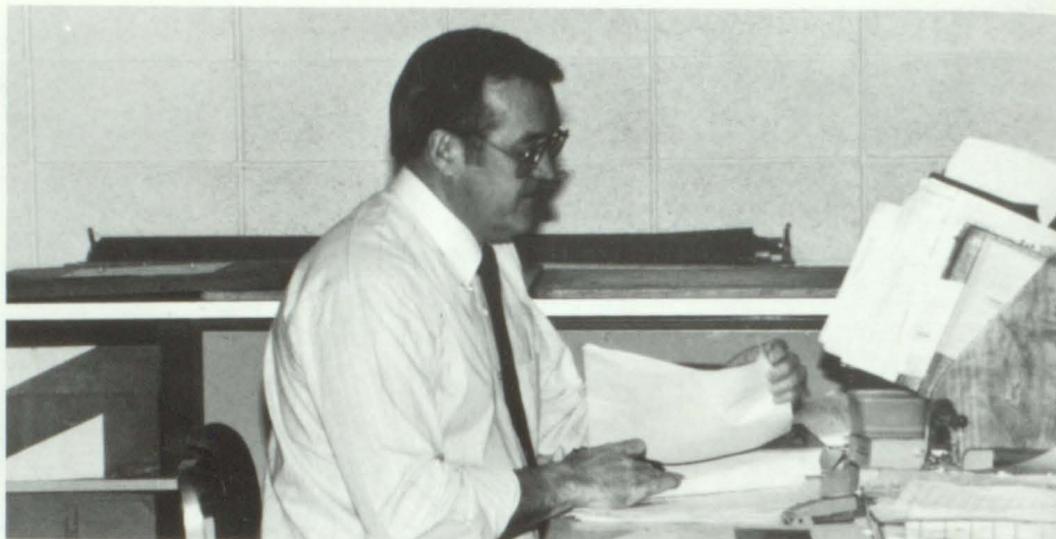
Department realized from testing kids of all ages that there were differences between the students. Some students were barely passing on their level and some were having such an easy time that they were completing their assignments early and were not being challenged as they should have been.

The Math Department decided to

change this. The first step in getting this goal accomplished was to test the students who either excelled in class or who were lagging behind. From there the students were placed in classes according to their ability, not just their grade. For instance, if there was a twelfth grade



Ms. Mary Edmond



Students can now work at their own pace and be challenged accordingly.

student who was struggling in twelfth grade math, then he or she could be moved to a lower class. Also, if there was a seventh grader who seemed gifted in math, he or she could easily be moved up into a more difficult level of math.

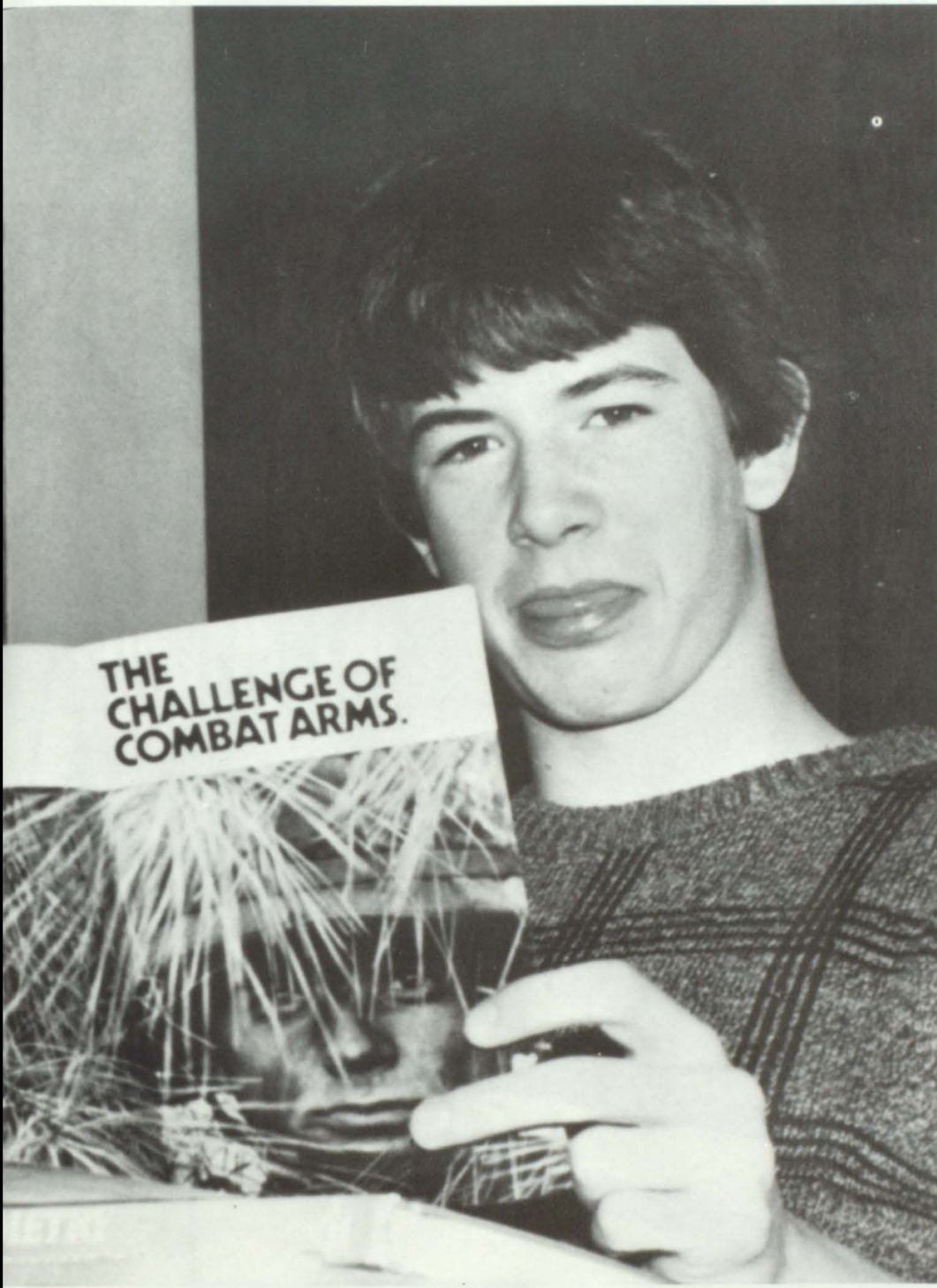
With this program, students can now work at their own pace and be challenged accordingly.

**Opposite Page. Top.** Mr. Schlumpberger corrects another hard-taken Algebra II test.

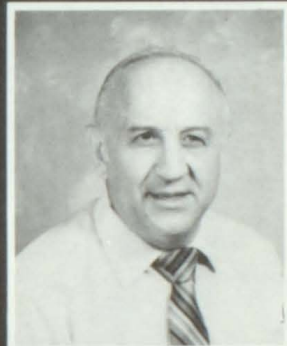
**Opposite Page. Bottom. Left.** Cris Kolb enjoys her geometry assignments.

**Opposite Page. Bottom. Right.** Miss Edmond helps David Fischer with a pressing problem.

**Below.** Mike Widmer discovers the unique "Challenge of Combat Arms" in his geometry class.



Mr. Leo Schlumpberger

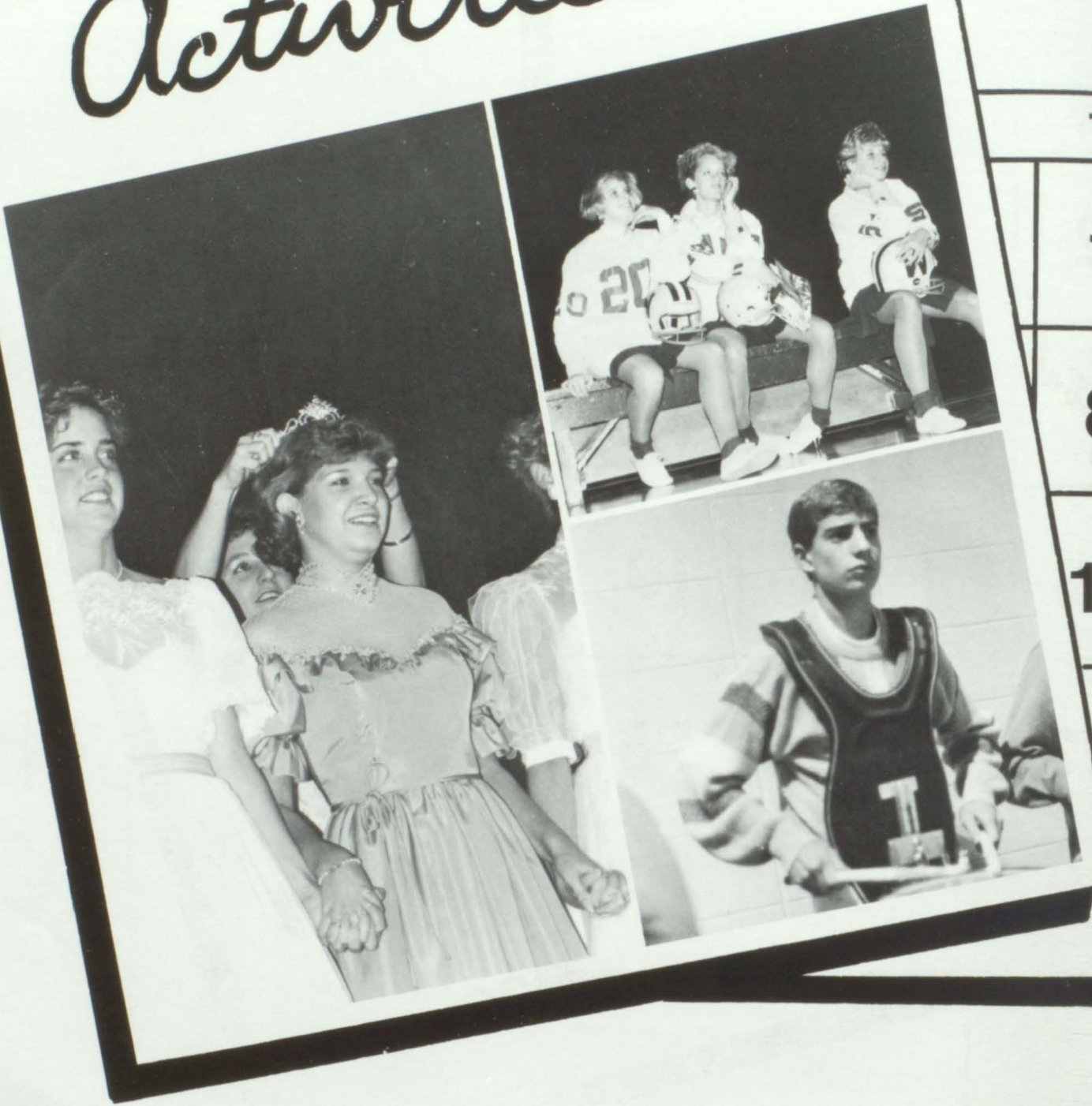


Mr. Ken Trnka



Mr. Tom Triplett

# Activities



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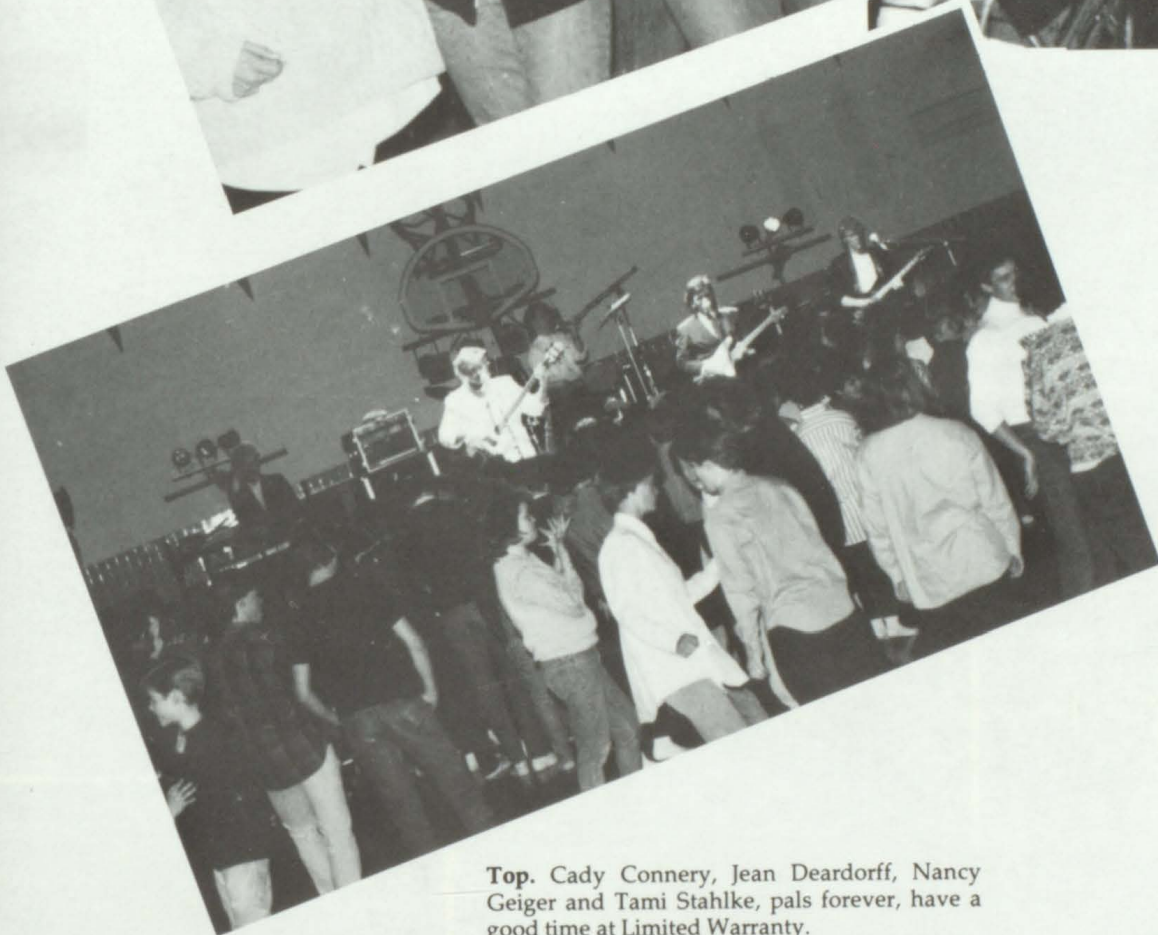
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Jazz Concert	24	28
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## *Limited Warranty Rocks Waconia*

The efforts of the Waconia Junior High Student Council paid off when Limited Warranty, the Minneapolis-based rock group, came to Waconia High School on March 7, 1986. They came to support a smoke-free "generation." Showing their support for the cause, more than 300 students rocked and danced to the music.







**Top.** Cady Connery, Jean Deardorff, Nancy Geiger and Tami Stahlke, pals forever, have a good time at Limited Warranty.  
**All other** photos are of members of the band.

# Spirit Week . . . More Than Just A Tradition

Spirit Week, an annual event at Waconia, is looked forward to by everyone, including the teachers. The event lets the students have fun, dress crazily, be wild and show school spirit *all at the same time!*

Toga Day and Nerd day are usually the most popular. Hat-n-Shades Day was expanded to include Hawaiian Day and Inside-Out Day was also a success. The week ended with the traditional Purple, Gold, and Jersey Day.

Spirit Week is all part of Waconia's school spirit and support. Because it is such a popular event, for such a good cause, it will continue at WHS for a long, long time.

## MONDAY

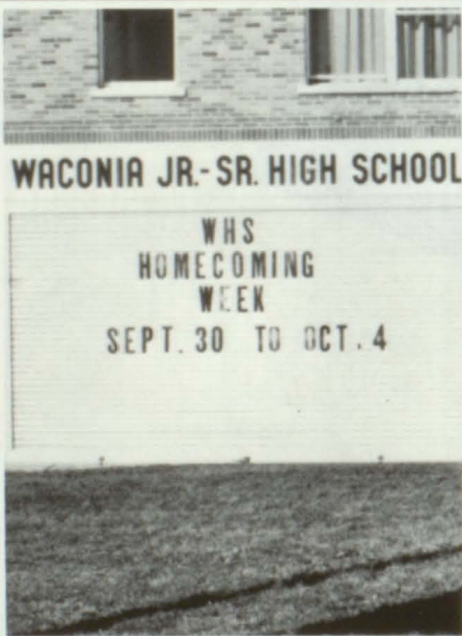
"HATS, SHADES,  
HAWAIIAN"



Do the hula skirt, Donald Duck hat and sweat pants clash? John Kunze doesn't seem to notice.  
Randy Peitz says "Hi, there!"

## TUESDAY

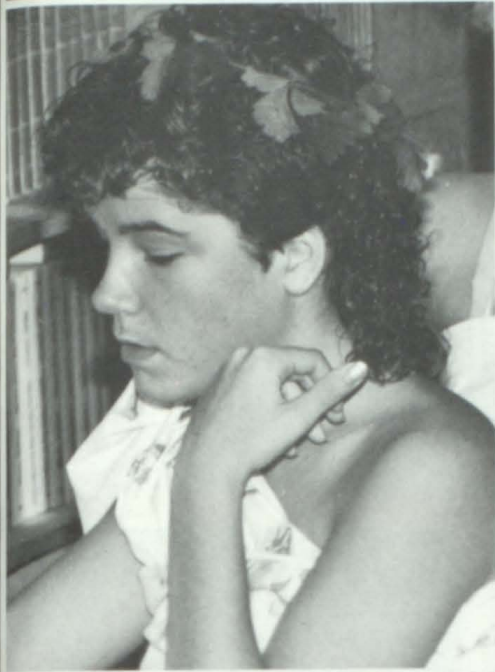
"INSIDE-OUT"



Top. Christian Hackel's grin makes one wonder what's in the library!  
Bottom. Kathy Giesinger does the Spirit Dance for Homecoming coronation.

# WEDNESDAY

"TOGA"



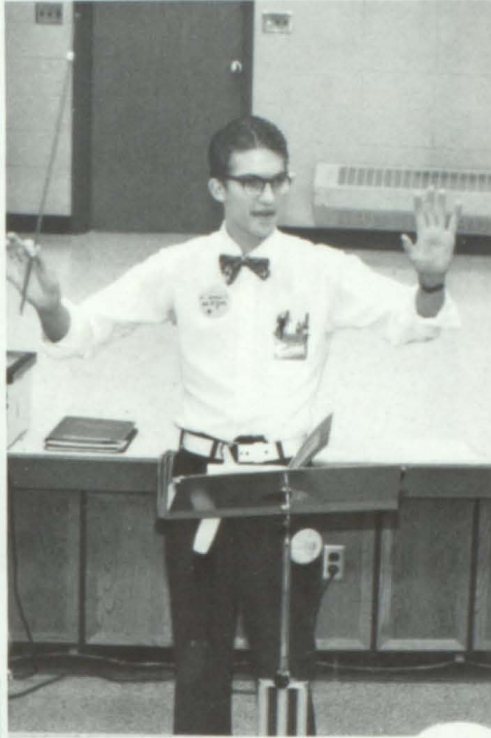
Is Kathy sleeping or just trying to give us a good view of her shoulder?

The 1985-86 Women's Roman Ensemble. Back: Krista Hellekson, Sherri Wagener, Kris Adams, Katrina Veff, Lyn Swanson, Sheila Cooley, Ann Mendiola, Front: Heather Delin, Jill Seeley, Amy Ebert.



# THURSDAY

"NERD"



Mr. Larson's new substitute teacher, David Kahlow, is questionable. Jill Seeley and Amy Ebert find the pitch in another rousing session of Nerd Choir.

# FRIDAY

"PURPLE, GOLD, JERSEY"

Traci Wilson seems to have danced herself into the decorations.

These football players know how to show their spirit!

Mr. Spirit rattles off the tunes for the Homecoming dance.



# Coronation: The Crowning Moment Of Spirit Week

The 1985 Homecoming Coronation was held in the WHS auditorium on Tuesday, Oct. 1. Twelve candidates waited anxiously until Tony Kunze was dubbed and Shelly Giesen was crowned. Cheerleaders, danceline members, and the pep band all added to the memorable event.



**Top.** Former King Jay Perrill presents the title and scepter to new King Tony Kunze.  
**Below.** Tenth grade page and escort Jodi Bednar and Jeff Wagener approach the stage with enthusiasm.



**Center.** Jenny Theis and Bill Koppi walk proudly down the aisle as the junior page and escort.

**Center Right.** Seniors Amy Ebert and Paul Larson provide the entertainment with "Ships," a duet.

**Right.** The 1985 Homecoming Royalty, L to R: Jeff Wagener, Jodi Bednar, Bill Koppi, Jenny Theis, Queen Shelly Giesen, King Tony Kunze, Kathy Ebert, Ron Goetz, Jane Hudinsky, Randy Peitz, Becky Dahlke, John Ebert, Julie Braunwarth, Jon Theis, Christie Frazier, John Perrill.





**Top.** "Happy birthday, Shelly," Jill Hilgers says as she crowns Shelly the new 1985 Homecoming Queen.

**Left.** Candidates Jane and John seem nervous in front of the entire student body.

**Above.** Newly crowned Queen Shelly and King Tony lead the way to a great year.

# WHS Brings Animation To Life

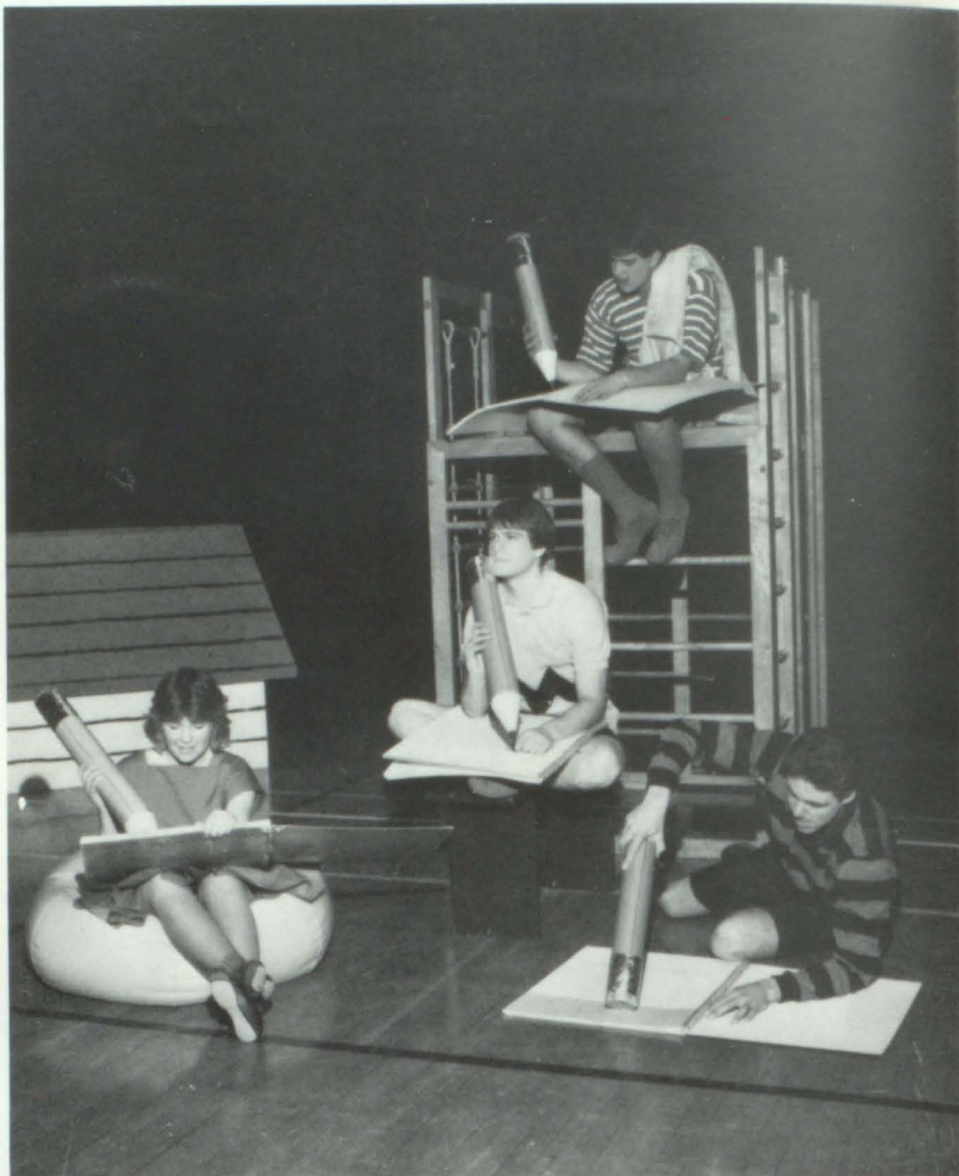
This year's musical, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," was very unique in its approach to please the audience because it doesn't have a plot. Instead, it is made up of many different short skits that are the goings on of one day in the lives of the "Peanuts" gang. All of the characters except Snoopy are children.

The musical numbers that are woven throughout the play are all humorous and range from foot stomping chorus numbers to amusing solos. This vignette filled musical was directed by Mr. Ron Larson and Ms. Sonja Benson.

**Right.** Lucy, Charlie Brown, Schroeder, and Linus attempt to write a report on "Peter Rabbit."

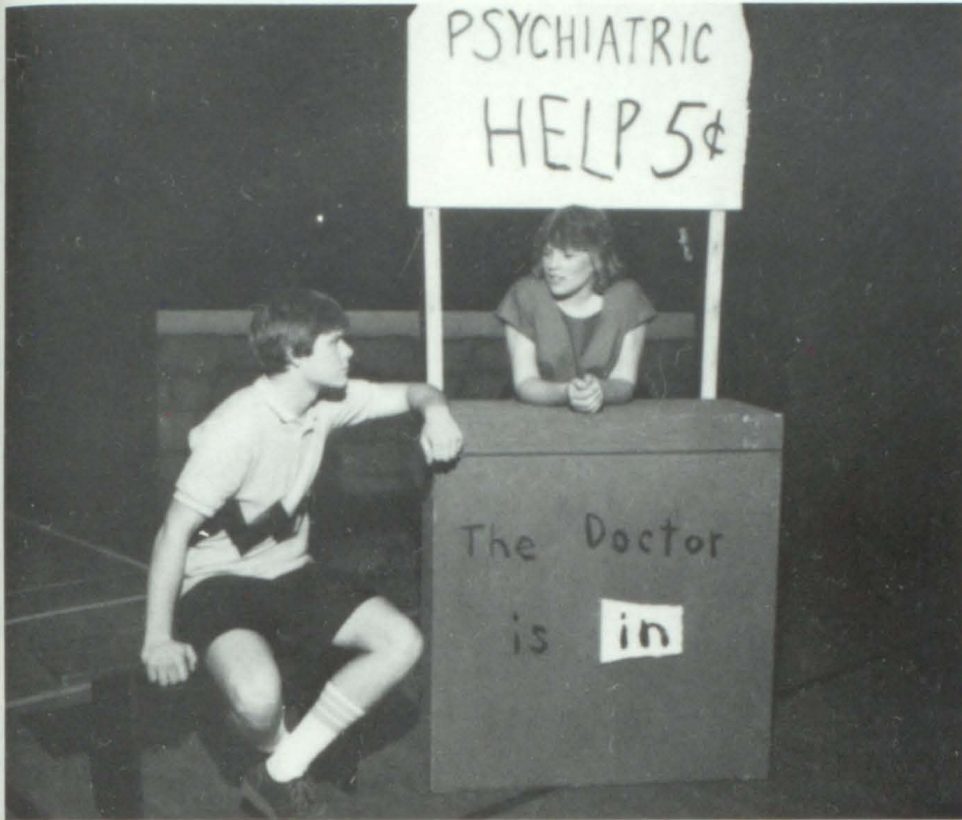
**Below Left.** Mike Rock gives a surprised look as Jane Hudinsky applies make-up to this astonished face.

**Below Right.** Christian Häckel plays the perfect part of a mannequin as Lyn Swanson applies his lipstick.



**Bottom.** Snoopy soars through the sky on his Sopwith Camel searching for the "infamous Red Baron."

**Below.** Lucy, for a fee, of course, gives psychiatric help to Charlie Brown.



**Kris Adams, Danny Mason, Lyn Swanson, Sara Larson, Dave Fischer, Mike Rock, Kern Linton, Christian Hackel, Scott Foss, Ann Karels, Jill Seely, Andrea Steiner, Mark Lavalley, Tom Wempner, and Amy Ebert try to convince Charlie of his worth.**



### CAST LIST

- Co-Directors . . . . . Sonja Benson  
Ron Larson
- Accompanist . . . . . Kathie Pedersen
- Flute . . . . . Heather Delin
- Bells . . . . . Beth Johnson
- Percussion . . . . . Andrew Lake  
Kurt Gunn
- Charlie Brown . . . . . Paul Larson
- Linus . . . . . Kern Linton
- Schroeder . . . . . Mike Rock
- Lucy . . . . . Amy Ebert
- Patty . . . . . Sara Larson
- Snoopy . . . . . Scott Foss
- Violet . . . . . Ann Karels
- Marcie . . . . . Andrea Steiner
- Sally . . . . . Jill Seely
- Schoolmates . . . . . Kris Adams,  
Christian Hackel, David  
Fischer, Mark Lavalley,  
Danny Mason, Lynessa  
Swanson, Tom Wempner
- Stage Crew . . . . . John Ebert  
Andrea Fulkerson  
Chris Ratzlaff  
Sheila Cooley  
Chris Heagle  
Steph Tice  
Jane Hudinsky
- Lights . . . . .
- Curtain . . . . .

# "Harvey" Appears On WHS Stage

## CAST

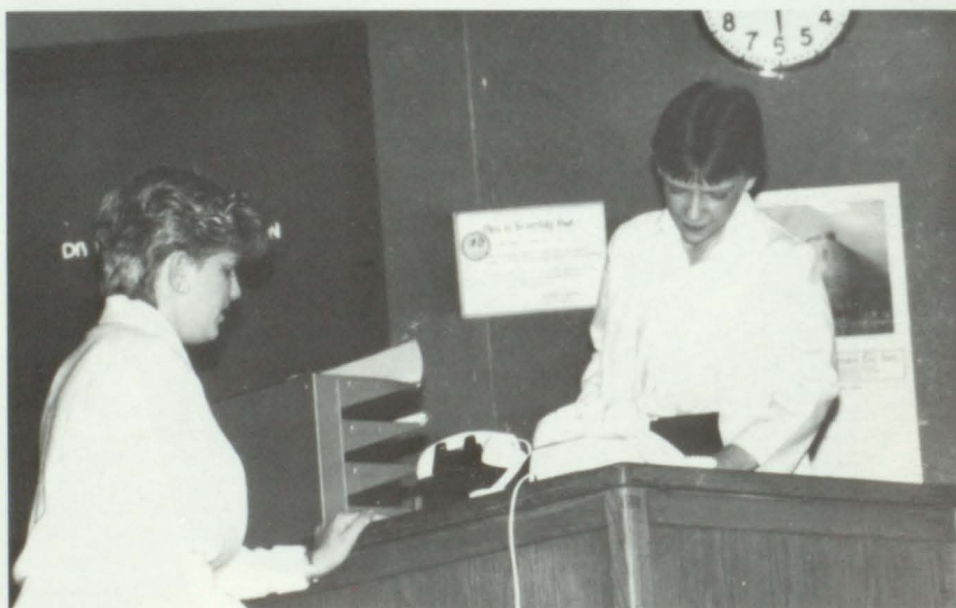
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 Elwood P. Dowd . . . Scott Foss  
 Ethel Chauvenet . . . Lyn Swanson  
 Ruth Kelly . . . Wendy Johnson  
 Nurse Wilson . . . Sheila Cooley  
 Dr. Lyman Sanderson . . . Clyde Roberts  
 Dr. William Chumley . . . Kern Linton  
 Betty Chumley . . . Lyn Swanson  
 Judge Gaffney . . . Andrea Steiner  
 E. J. Lofgren . . . Marcus Johnson  
 Harvey . . . Himself  
 Stage Crew . . . Andrea Fulkerson  
                     Libby Deardorf  
                     David LaValle  
                     Pat Mathot  
                     Mike Tollefsrud  
                     Greg Vialle  
 Lights . . . Jon Rauhen  
                     Chris Heagle



**Above.** Miss Kelly informs a client of the policies of Chumley's Rest.

**Top.** Elwood Dowd reads to his friend Harvey from a collection of stories.

**Right.** Veta Louise pours her heart out to the understanding Dr. Sanderson.







Left. The cast of "Harvey," Front: Andrea Steiner, Marcus Johnson, Ann Thurk, Clyde Roberts, and Lisa Holtmeier. Back: Scott Foss, Kern Linton, Lynessa Swanson, Wendy Johnson, and Sheila Cooley.



## "Three On A Bench" Brings Student Recognition

This year's one-act play, "Three on a Bench", was more than just successful — Two of the four member cast earned awards. The cast consisted of Amy Ebert as Betty, Steph Tice as Mrs. Moore, David Crislip as Henry, and Mike Rock as Officer Callahan. Steph Tice was awarded Best Supporting Actress and David Crislip had the honor of receiving Best Actor in district competition.

Above. The cast of "Three on a Bench"; Amy Ebert, Steph Tice, Mike Rock, and David Crislip.

Above Right. Mrs. Moore and Officer Callahan discuss the trials and tribulations of young love.

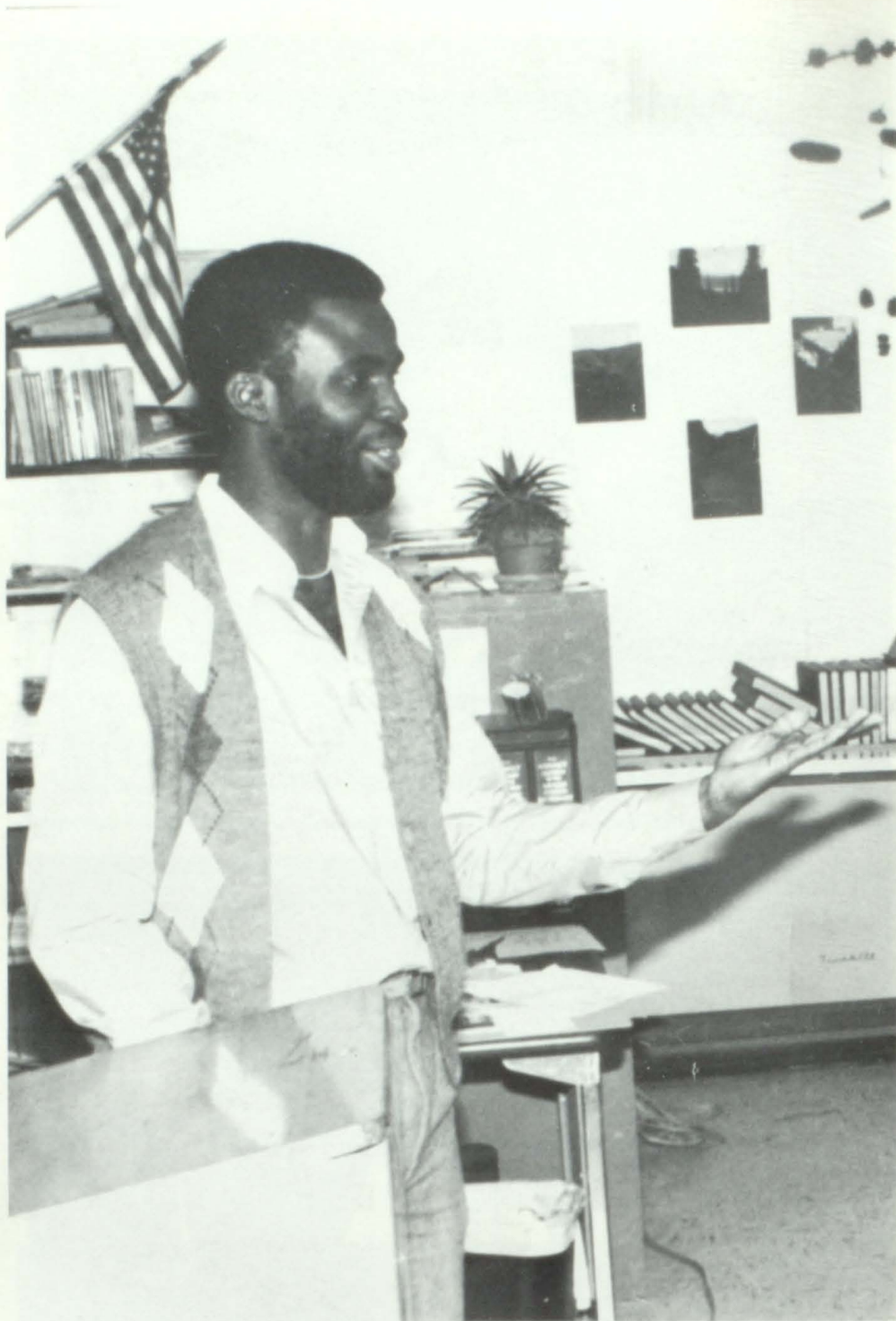
## EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS

A striking success is the only way to describe the '86 International Days. International Days gave some WHS students a chance to host students of the same age from foreign lands. It was a time to enhance one's knowledge about things that are happening elsewhere in the world. It sort of made a person think, "Wow, that place really does exist." It is often easy to get caught up in the world and forget that those places are around.

It was a fun time; everyone got to exchange a little "culture." Nine students from the surrounding Twin Cities area stayed Feb. 5-8, coming from such places as Hong Kong, Italy, Spain, Chile, Sweden, Finland, Germany, and Belgium. They shared information about their countries by talking and showing slides to WHS students. International Days was a big success because everyone cooperated and wanted to have a little fun. The experience was beneficial to hosts, guests, and WHS students alike. Hopefully this will become a tradition at Waconia and continue for a long time.

**Top.** Michael from Ghana explains a little about his native country.

**Right. Hosts and Guests.** Back: Christie Frazier, Jim Clarke, Pat Mathot, Wim Boland, Lesly Sanocki, Dave Crislip, Mike Kosman, Asa Carlsson. Center: Marcella Corvalan, Fabio Benussi, Keith Lemke, Phil Harms, Juan Guerrero, Felix Koo, Gretchen Lehmann. Front: Klaus Bertelsen, Becky Dahlke, Berit Pleitner, Amy Ebert, Barbara Ghelfi, Tiina Roinnen, Shelly Giesen. Not Pictured: Christian Hackel.

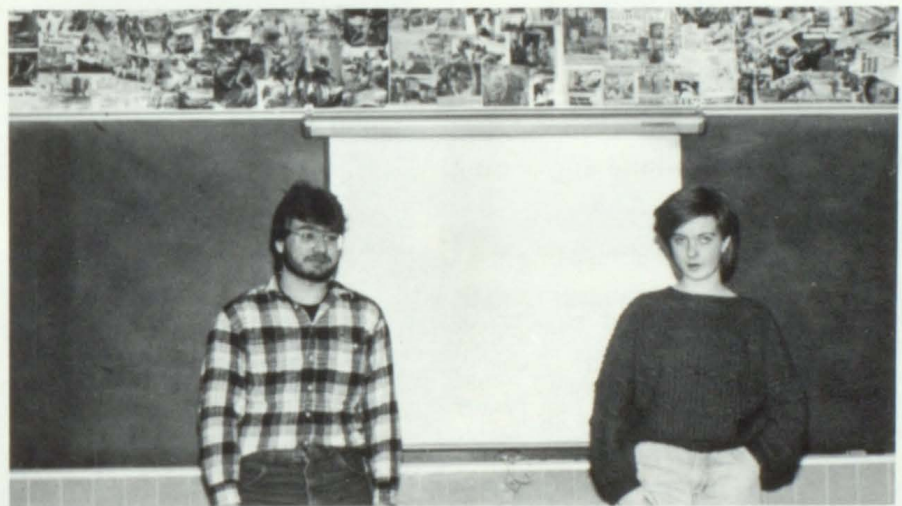
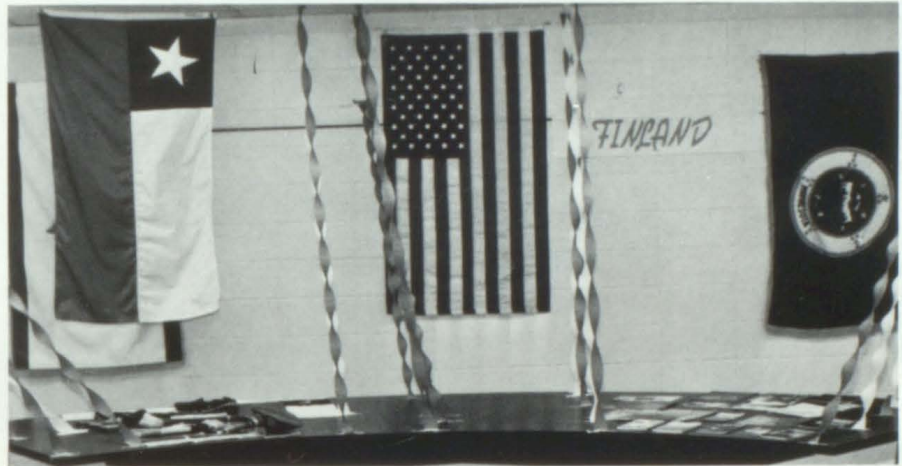




**Left.** Felix Koo finds himself surrounded by snow, which is uncommon in his native Hong Kong.



**Above.** "I didn't know Belgians were this tall," thinks Lesly Sanocki as Wim Boland towers over her.



**Above Center.** A small representation of internationalism — "What's the Minnesota flag doing in there?"

**Above.** Christian Hackel and Berit Pleitner say a few things about West Germany.

# Student Council Rates High

This year's Student Council consisted of bright, innovative people who spent their meeting time improving the school. They provided students with the traditional dances, Homecoming, fund raisers, and many excursions. Student Council's major accomplishments included open lunch, Camp Manakiki lock-ins, and Limited Warranty.



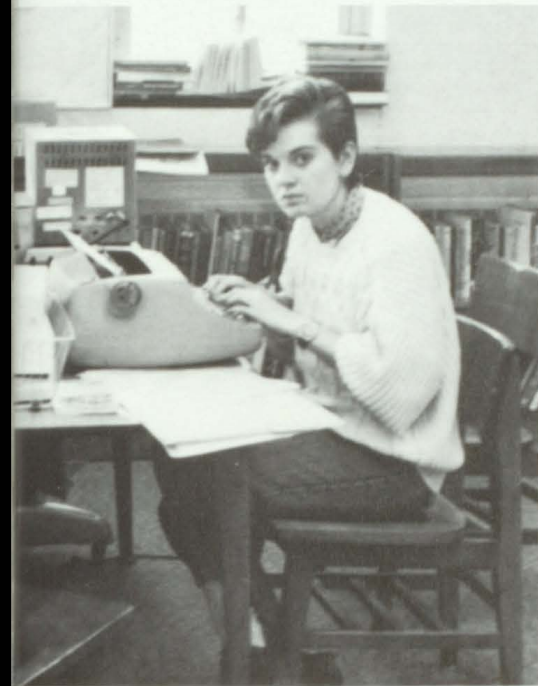
**Top.** 1985-86 Senior High Student Council. Back: Jason Hilgers, Tim Devins, Mike Weber, Jim Clarke, Tom Wempner, Krista Hellekson, Jenny Roeser, Catherine Kirsch, Kathy Howe, Shelly Giesen. Front: Kerri Felt, Jodi Bednar, Jenny Theis, Julie Braunwarth, Tony Kunze, Kyle Berger, Becky Dahlke, John Ebert. **Above.** Tony Kunze contemplates a suggestion raised by another council member. **Right.** John Ebert and Julie Braunwarth find something amusing in at least one meeting.



## Publications Add Something New

The 1986 yearbook staff is made up of students with a variety of different talents. For the first time in many years, the yearbook staff is working under the supervision of an editor. Wendy Johnson, who has worked on yearbooks since ninth grade, is editing the 1986 *Chieftain*.

The yearbook staff also contributes some of their time to help Andrea Steiner with the production of the *Tomahawk*, the student newspaper she edits. This year the format of the paper was changed by using a special computer program.



**Top. 1986 Chieftain Staff.** Back: Wendy Johnson, Kathy Howe, Michele Cardinal, David Kahlow, Lesly Sanocki, Dawn Breegemann. Front: Keith Pahl, Andrea Steiner, Tom Wempner, Andrea Fulkerson, Lyn Swanson. Not Pictured: Jenny Roeser.

**Center Left.** Andrea Steiner, editor of the *Tomahawk*, works diligently at the typewriter.

**Above.** Andrea Fulkerson designs a layout for the yearbook. **Left.** Yearbook staffers pour over ideas for their sections. L to R: Jenny Roeser, David Kahlow, Keith Pahl, Kathy Howe.

# NHS, FFA, FHA: Today's Students Make Future Leaders

**National Honor Society.** Front: Heather Delin, Kate Guettler, Gretchen Lehmann, Julie Braunwarth, Shelly Giesen, Brenda Siegle, Cathi Murphy. Back: Chris Ratzlaff, Mike Beck, Jason Eveslage, Brian Carlson, Sara Larson, Annette Titera, John Ebert, David Kahlow, Paul Larson, Tricia Jones, Beth Johnson, Krista Hellekson, Andy Amrhein.



**New Members NHS.** Front: Ann Mendiola, Roxanne Walter, Lisa Hamann, Jenny Peitz, Kelli Ittel, Mark Lavalle. Back: Paul Kelzer, Chris Heagle, Bob Stelten, Catherine Kirsch, Missy Giesen, Christie Frazier, Dave Crislip, Craig Pearson.



**Below:** Pictured with FFA adviser Mr. Dennis Bjorklund, Denise Traver, Gean Koenig, Russell Storms, Steve Buetow, Dan Traver, Mike Samuelson, Dean Kutzke.



**Left.** Patty Ebert and Kim Carl give a demonstration on cooking utensils.

**Above.** The Waconia chapter of FHA. Front: Katrina Veff, Missy Kelzer, Heidi Meyer, Kim Carl. Back: Daniela Pagani, Peggy Steinhagen, Patty Ebert, Michelle Quast.



## The 1985 Marching Band Members

### BANNER

Gretchen Salzl  
Stacy Stender

### AMERICAN SQUAD

Krista Baumann  
Shantina Beck  
Shannon Ginalski  
Lisa Hamann  
Kelly Ittel  
Jenny Peitz  
Jodi Stender  
Tanya Quast

### COLOR GUARD

Jodi Borg  
Bonnie Burandt  
Amy Ebert  
Janelle Fink  
Kristen Johnson  
Lisa Johnson  
Terry Johnson  
Cris Kolb  
Andrea Lindner  
Peggy Steinhagen  
Karla Storms  
Ann Thurk  
Roxanne Walter

### CLARINET

Amy Call  
Sheila Cooley  
Julie Eder  
Diane Fadden

Andrea Glasmann  
Krista Hellekson  
Shelly Hilgers  
Kari Storms  
Lynessa Swanson  
Stephanie Tice  
Kris VanKeulen

### FLUTE/PICCOLO

Jodi Clasen  
Heather Delin  
Becky Glasmann  
Elaine Foss  
Kate Guettler  
Beth Johnson  
Tricia Jones  
Tami Stahlke  
Becky Titera

### ALTO SAXOPHONE

Andy Amrhein  
Wendy Johnson  
Ann Karels  
Brenda Siegle  
Sherry Wagener

### TENOR SAXOPHONE

Barb Guettler  
Ann Stelten

### PERCUSSION

Terry Foley  
Kurt Gunn  
Kristene Johnson

Mark Johnson  
Andrew Lake  
Dean Meyer  
Craig Pearson  
Thea Buetow  
Marcus Johnson  
Kelly Murphy

### TRUMPET

Missy Giesen  
Chris Heagle  
Brad Heyer  
David Kahlow  
Chris Ratzlaff  
Mike Tollefsrud

### FRENCH HORN

Cathi Murphy  
Amy Peters  
Wendy Rauen

### BARITONE

Cindy Thurk

### TROMBONE

Paul Larson  
Brian Carlson  
Andrew Gilbert  
Bob Stelten

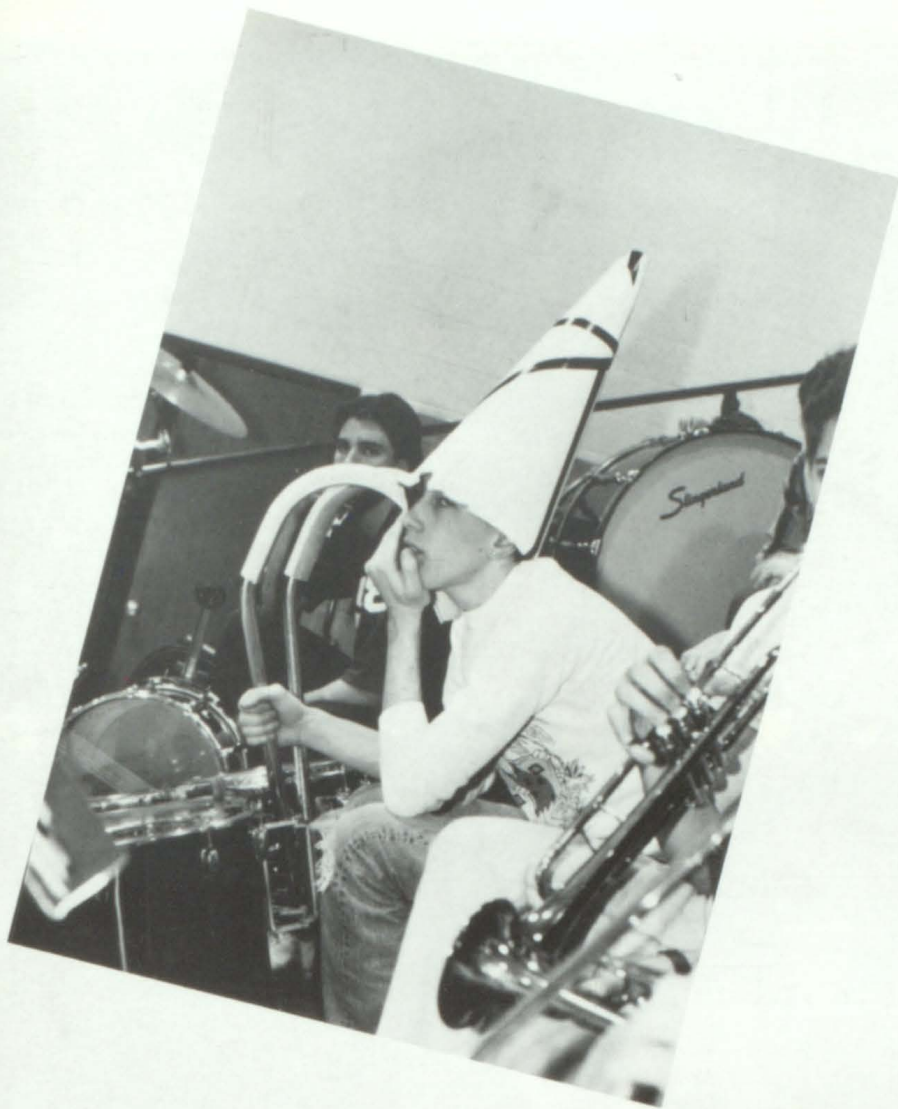
### TUBA

David Knauer  
Jon Rauen  
Scott Foss  
David Fischer



Above. Guard member Jodi Borg shows perfect form as she marches down the street.





**Above.** Andrew Lake demonstrates how to get into the swing of things.



**Above.** Scott Foss's tuba helps to keep the pep band rockin'.

**Top Right.** Shelly Giesen and the rest of the band belt out another tune.

**Center Right.** With steady concentration, the percussion sections beats out a rhythm.

## Extra-Curricular Bands Stay On Top

The marching band's recurring success has become something almost taken for granted by the community and even the band itself. However, at the beginning of the 1985 summer season, the marchers realized they were facing two obstacles. First, they had the smallest band in competition and were contending with bands more than twice their size. Second, the band members learned that Mr. James Thulien, band director of WHS for 14 years, was leaving. Despite these two

obstacles, the band pulled through in summer competition with high ratings.

Mr. Thulien's successor, Mr. Tim Pofahl, has put much time and effort into keeping the band's traditional excellence alive. If Mr. Pofahl's success with the pep band continues on with the marching band, the summer marching season will be a good one. Under his direction, the pep band added to its high reputation. The exposure the football and basketball play-offs brought was an added boost.

# Vocal Groups Showcase Talent

This year Mr. Ron Larson keeps tradition alive with the ever-popular Pop Group. A highly selective activity, Pop Group performs at concerts and contests and does its own show once a year. Pop Group was expanded this year to include 14 singers along with the back-up musicians.

Chamber Ensemble is still a relatively new group at WHS but it is a successful one. In the past two years since it was started, Chamber Ensemble has received superior ratings in state-wide competition and is consistently well-received at concerts. It is currently looking forward to another successful year.



**Above.** Jeff Eischens and Jill Seeley perform a duet for the audience.  
**Top.** Paul Larson puts his heart into song.





**1985-86 Chamber Ensemble.** Back: Beth Johnson, Andrea Glasmann, Jennifer Harms, Cindy Thurk, Karen Karg, Stephanie Tice, Roxanne Walter. Front: Jenny Peitz, Stacy Stender, Trina Veff, Andrea Steiner, Heather Delin, Bonnie Burandt, Krista Hellekson, Sara Larson. Not Pictured: Lyn Swanson.



**Left.** Mike Beck steals the show with his solo.  
**Page 118, Lower Right.** 1985-86 Pop Group. Back: Mike Rock, Danny Mason, Beth Johnson, Mark LaValle, Kurt Gunn, Kern Linton, Ann Karels, Paul Larson. Front: Sara Larson, Jeff Eischens, Andrea Glasmann, Krista Hellekson, Mike Beck, Heather Delin, Missy Paul, Amy Ebert, Tom Wempner, Jill Seeley. Not Pictured: Chris Heagle, Doug Ohlsen.

**Above Left.** Tom Wempner keeps a watchful eye on Krista Hellekson as she waves in delight.  
**Above.** The Pop Group gets into the spirit of things with a dance.

# Prom Night, A Class Act

Although the class of 1986 voted their song to be "Never Look Back" by Boston, many will look back to the night of April 5, 1986. That was the night jocks traded sweats for tuxes and girls gave up jeans for evening formals.

Prom Night is an annual tradition in every high school, and Waconia is no exception. But while some schools decorated the gym with crepe paper and balloons, WHS students went to the ritzy Lafayette Club in Wayzata for their celebration.

Prom has always been something special for Waconia students, so most don't mind forking out the extra cash needed to cover the expenses of such an event. For 1986 juniors and seniors, the cost was \$25.00. This included a steak dinner, the use of the club, and the WLOL Sound and Light Show.

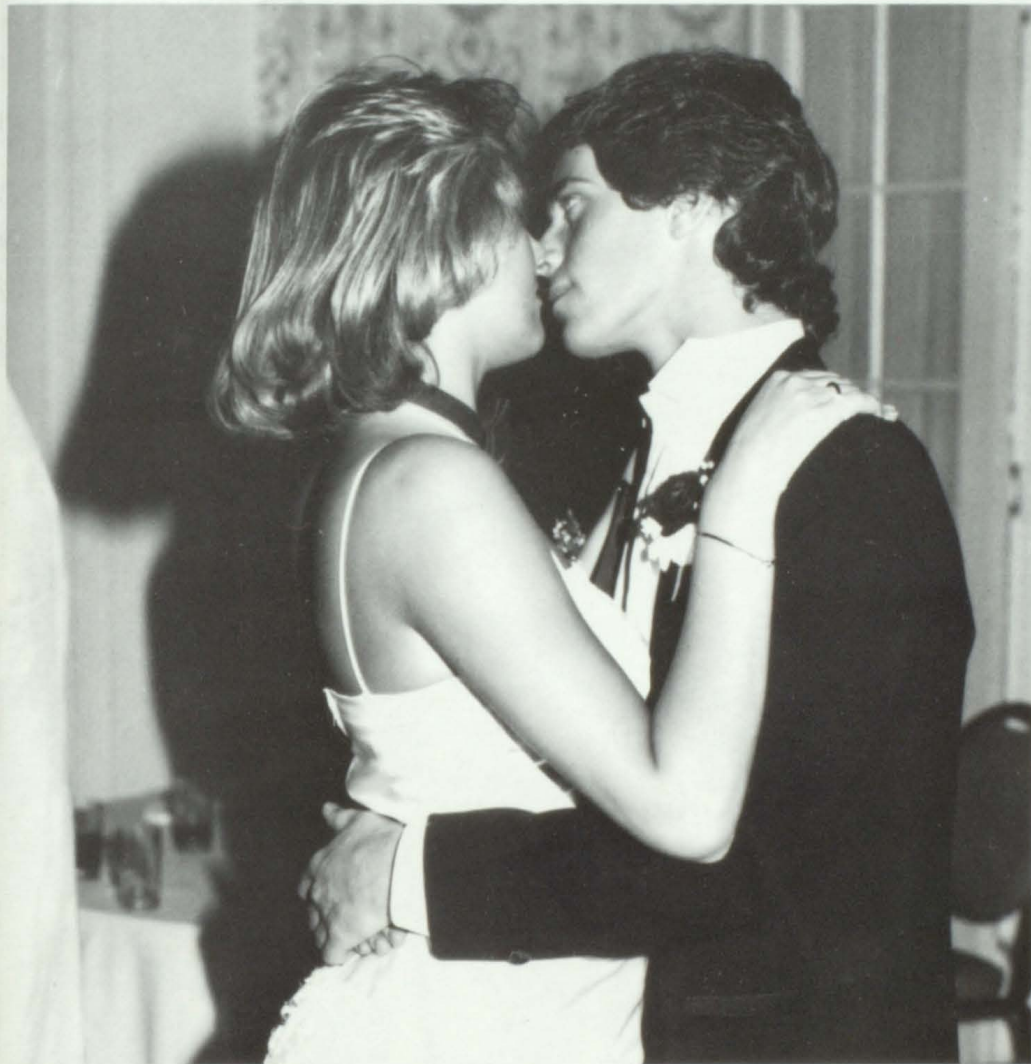


Above. Ron Goetz and Tony Kunze tickle the ivories away at the Lafayette Club.





**Left.** Lesly Sanocki, Scott Foss, Cathi Murphy, graduate Bob Lamkin, and Brenda Siegle enjoy dinner at the Lafayette.  
**Below.** Senior Doug Ohlsen escorts sophomore Cris Kolb to prom.

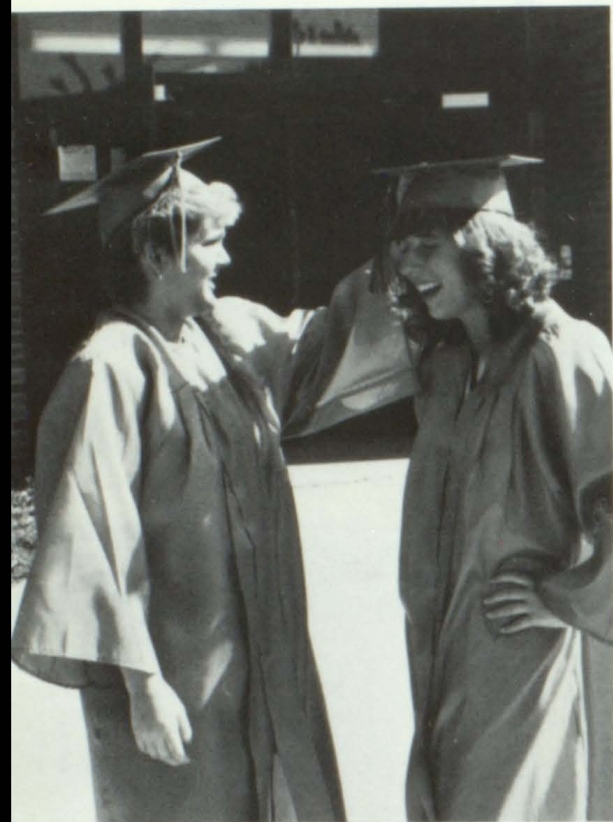


**Opposite Page. Top.** Sheila Cooley and her date Robby Koehnen dance the night away.  
**Opposite Page. Bottom.** Caught up in the magic of prom, the couples enjoy a slow dance.

**Above.** Jon Schuler and his date enjoy a slow dance.

**Above.** Behind the shades are prom-goers Tom Coburn and John Weinzierl.

# Graduation Marks The Beginning Of The End



**Above.** Annette Titera helps Becky Dahlke adjust her cap.

**Top Right.** Lori Schmidt and Robin Schoenke gladly display their diplomas.

**Right.** David Farrell and Todd Weinzierl congratulate each other on their achievements.





**Top Left.** Peter Hill and Becky Dahlke make happy graduates.

**Top Right.** What is Dave Farrell doing up there?

**Left:** Lori Schmidt, Robin Schoenke, Ann Mendiola, Becky Dahlke, and Annette Titera are all smiles as they realize it is finally over.

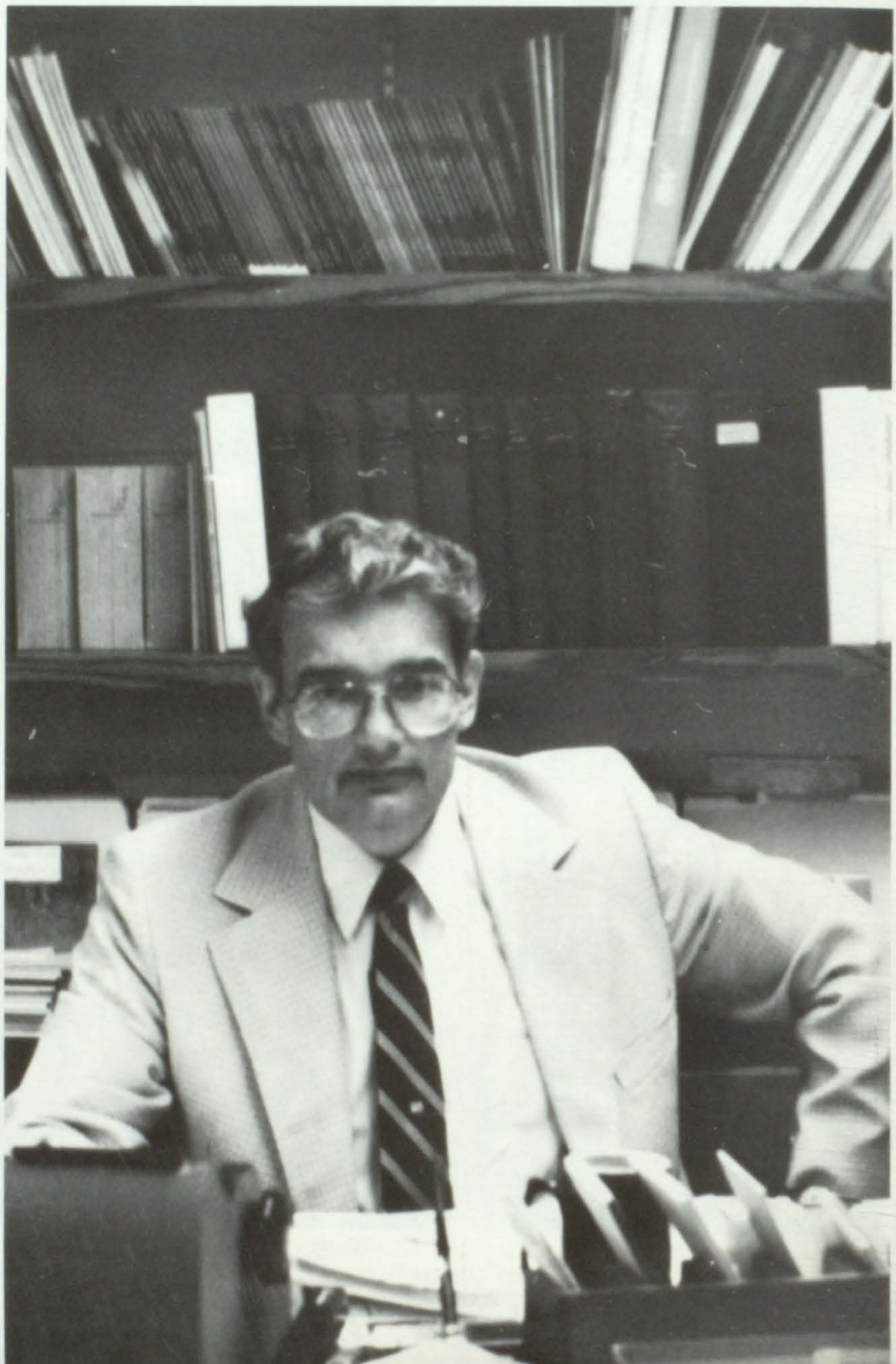
# IN DEDICATION TO The Man In Charge

Whenever Waconia High School is mentioned, almost always the first person that comes to mind is Brook Peterson. Mr. Peterson, the senior high principal, has dedicated himself to the Waconia school system for twenty-four years. In appreciation, the year-book staff wishes to dedicate the 1986 *Chieftain* to him.

Through the years, he has seen many changes in the students. Compared to students in the 1980's, he said that teens between the years 1965-1975 were less concerned about getting what they could from their education. Showing a keen insight into students, he said, "They weren't willing to focus on any goals for themselves . . . they were struggling for values at a difficult period of time." An overall change he saw in the school was significant improvement in votech, college prep, and special education programs.

But exactly what does a principal do in a day? "It's a trouble-shooting job," states Peterson. "Whatever pops up must be dealt with." This includes playing peacemaker between the school board, faculty, and students, checking attendance and dealing with truant students, composing a weekly and daily schedule, evaluating teachers, registering students, hiring faculty, handling parental calls — actually helping them make decisions about what's best for their child —, meeting with teachers, and several mechanical things, such as handling building expenses. But a lot of students know Mr. Peterson for handling disciplinary measures. Mr. Peterson says that he likes "a good working relationship with students when they have problems." He is willing to forget the past mishaps of students.

Most people are unaware of what goes into a principal's job. It includes tact when needed, social working skills, bookkeeping ability, and a lot of patience. Mr. Peterson has handled this job for 24 years with competence and ease. Waconia is fortunate to have such a dedicated "man in charge."







**Left and Below:** Mr. Peterson celebrates his 50th birthday with friends.

**Bottom:** Mr. Peterson and Mr. Kovaleski share a laugh at a board meeting several years ago.



"Brook Peterson is a man of principle and conviction, and his dedication to education is widely known throughout the professional field as well as the local community. Mr. Peterson is a very caring person . . . It's a real pleasure to work with him."

-Sue Melichar  
Mr. Peterson's  
Secretary — 20 yrs.

"Mr. Peterson is a dedicated professional, an enthusiastic colleague, a supportive supervisor, and a terrific human being."

-Lydia Thometz  
Teacher

"Mr. Peterson is a man full of more compassion and caring than anyone I have ever had a chance to meet."

-Dean Rademacher  
Student

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