



The Wheel 1993

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TRADITIONS -

yesterday, today, tomorrow

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." — Charles Dickens

In the fifty years of it's existence, The Wheel has bound between its pages the successes and failures of Wheelersburg High School and the world that shapes it: from the triamphs of World War II in its first, 1942 issue and of Operation Desert Storing 1991 to the trials of Vietnam in the 60's and 70's and the conflicts in Bosnia and Somalia today. The Wheel remembers and has dedicated to our memories everything from former President Richard Mixon's resignation in 1974 to our current President BH Clinton's inauguration in 1993. From the home-wrecking, tree-tearing tornadoes of

"We came, we saw, and we're so cute that the other team couldn't bear to think of spiking the ball in our dimpled faces," say reserve volleyball chums Heather Deal and Mandy Yeley.

1969 to the snowed-in, school-cancelled bliss of this year's "Storm of the Century," photographers and caption writers alike have delivered the highs and lows of cosmopolitan Wheelersburg life right to your very barn. And editors and copy writers have slaved over tactfully covering some of those shameless but nameless (and winless) sports seasons while joyfully chronicling the laurel-leafed championship years that have recently favored our institution and will follow us even after we depart through those swinging glass doors. Therefore, in 1993 we bring you a halfcentury of the best of times and the worst of times: all that brings balance to these turbulent, taxing, and triumphant four years of our lives.

Yesterday.

"I feel that the history of esc cellence in academics.an sports affects how we do to day."

- Kristen Wawro, Senior -

"We have a history of every one trying to be like each other, everyone tries to fit in 1 don't like it because people get made fun of. I know i hurts people." — Paislee Pratt, Freshman,

Today...

"Something I did different this year was staying at John Nichols' house for a week straight and still coming to school. Oh, and getting into a high speed chase." — Tim Jenkins, Senior

Although most people don't notice, I like being a trainer because I love to belp people."

- Ryan Lawson, Junior

Tomorrow...

"We'll leave behind the history of the first girls pep rally." — Becky Brow, Senior

Learning how to use the computers in art class will give me experience of working with computers in art. It gives us an advantage because it teaches us things other students don't get to learn. Plus, it helps if you get bored working on other contracts." Metessa Bush, Junior



Juniors Becki Johnson and April Kegley get a little too excited at a pep rally as April slings Jennifer Clevenger from the stands. Luckily, as many injuries resulted from the assembly as did at the football game: 0.

"Can anyone take us?" ask freshman Darryl Horton, senior Kevin Risner and freshman Chris Wilburn. Few actually took the soccer team as it went 9-6-1 on the season.



Rob Willard demonstrates to a first-year student how one can "get ahead" in Spanish. After "disrobing" their chief executor, Mrs. Riepenhoff, these students did a little "cutting up" of their own on Halloween.

Seventh period English IV students lovingly gather around Miss Weisenberger — uh, Russ Johnson — as Russ goes drag on Student-Teacher Exchange Day. Russ, however, managed to dictate Greek Drama terms while wearing pantyhose and wooden jewelry.





Yesterday .

"Our traditions make us try harder in sports and stuff to keep up with everything in the past." Jonathan Maynard, Sophbmore

Today.

"There's more responsibility in being a married student. I feel like, being a married student, I shouldn't have to come to school. It's a lot tougher."

- Ryan Montavon, Senior

"I'm a freshman, unfortunately, but being a freshman is not what people say it is. The upperclassmen don't really pick on us." — Andy Mullins, Freshman "I never really talked to anybody, like my teachers, before. I guess I just started to get to know everybody." — Melissa Maggard, Jumor

Tomorrow.

"I think people are starting to care more about the environment; I see students purchasing, more recyclable goods, and that's good." — Sean Frazier, Sophomore

"I'm in Upward Bound a program that lets me meet more people from other schools and stuff. This summer I'll be taking classes. I'h have more opportunities to do things than other freshmen. — Tim Jenkins, Freshman.

However, to dwell in the past and focus only on famous moments is neglect the traditions we form today, or even worse, to forget the cute boy or girl who sat next to us in English. Our time spent here will be measured in so many obscure but poignant ways: by the terror of the slow, red second-hand that keeps time in Mr. Parker's office, by the annoyance of the alarm clock that wakes us late for school at 7:45, and by the clock in Mom's room that we set just five minutes too slow on Saturday nights. And while high school will pass us in a blurr of writing equations, practicing the trombone, wandering the halls and dropping our pencils between classes, we will be making our own little pieces of history. Then fifty years from now, someone else will discover and create a yearbook about our traditions: traditions we inherited from the past, establish today, and will cherish in the future.



With the skill and joy of an enthusiastic robin in spring, junior Ryan Willis hammers his drums at a pep rally. Oh yes, cheerleading sponsor Gail Schmidt seems to be enjoying herself as well.





Portsmouth began celebrating the Labor Day weekend with River Days festivities exactly 30 years ago, but not until 1964 did the community begin to crown Miss River Days. In the early days, contestants merely posed and pivoted in bathing and evening wear. When the participants first displayed wit and wisdom as the interview was added in the early 70's, W.H.S. produced its first queen, Kathy Varner. Laura LeMaster recaptured the crown in 1979. Since then, W.H.S. queens have practically dominated the pageant: Kimberly Meadows won in 1981, succeeded by Shelli Christian in 1984, Julie Blackburn in 1985, and Andrea Gifford in 1987.







Betty waves excitedly to the crowd along the parade route as she anxiously awaits the evening festivities. Betty savors the sweet taste of victory by placing 2nd in the professional float competition.



Family Tradition

While participating in the evening gown competition, Betty flashes the judges a condent smile.

letty smiles proudly after introducing herfelf as W.H.S.'s representative.



Betty shares River Days with sister

"Well, this is it — let's get it over with."

When senior Betty Spriggs excitedly muttered these words on Saturday, September 5, 1992, she wasn't about to face a firing squad. She was about to walk before a capacity crowd at Shawnee State Auditorium. Wearing heels.

But Betty, Wheelersburg's 1992 River Days Pageant Representative, more than survived the "ordeal"; she performed beautifully. While wearing the dreaded dress shoes, she not only strode gracefully across the stage to introduce herself, but also danced, spoke, and modeled an evening gown with remarkable poise. When all was said and done, Betty came away with a 2nd place award in the Queen's Professional Float competition. "I couldn't have done it without the encouragement of my family and friends," she said.

Fortunately for Betty, her family and friends had a wealth of first-hand experience. Sister Amy Spriggs, who represented W.H.S. in 1990, was there to lend pointers. "With Amy, it was the typical older/younger sister scenario," Betty recalled. "She pushed me in the parts where she knew I should work because she had already been in the pageant. She also helped with the interview, asked me questions, and corrected my grammar." In addition, Amy coached her younger sister on her walk as Betty, wearing those troublesome high-heels, strolled down the Spriggs' pseudo-runway: their kitchen floor.





Betty and her pageant buddies take time out of the strenuous River Days competition to enjoy one last performance together.

Nearing the end of the long parade route, the band marches between songs. "It was much easier to march because I knew I'd never have to complete that long thing again." said Kristen Wawro.

Almost Paradise

Tradition continues despite rain

They say that all homecomings are the same. Perhaps. Or perhaps not. Queen Betty Spriggs had her moment to shine with every eye of the packed Pirate stadium turned on her. Though definitely not a newcomer to public appearances, she admitted that this special homecoming was rather unnerving. "I was more excited and more nervous because my freshman year I was just part of the court," she commented.

However, the magic didn't come entirely from the fact that she was queen; more important were her brother Mark and her cousin Lana, the family members who crowned her as the 1992 Football Homecoming Queen. Betty said, "I loved it, because I could share the moment even more with my family."

The annual football homecom-

ing parade was also certainly one to remember. The girls prepared themselves hours in advance, only to be soaked by an autumn shower. When asked if the rain dampened her spirits, senior attendant Angie Horton laughed. "I wasn't discouraged, but I was a little disappointed. But I couldn't blame too much on the rain. All in all it was nice."

Indeed, when it was all over, no bad memories remained and no rain-dampened spirits were to be found. They say all homecomings are alike — but perhaps the unchanging parade of faces only serves to remind us of the past and of how fortunate we are to have people like Betty to crown.

Sophomore Attendant Sarah Schwamberger is escorted by Aaron Adams. "I couldn't believe the night had finally come," said Sarah. Queen Betty looks royal standing her primitive island hut. The setting plete with Tahitian gods, was design the art department.

Captains Rob Willard and Chad Havcort Senior Attendant Angie Hortoing the halftime ceremony. "I supposwere sweaty, but I was too nervous to Angie said of her hardworking escor





Adding to Betty's special evening, her brother Mark receives the honor of crowning her homecoming queen.

On the arm of Ottie Glenn, Emily Watts is presented as the Freshman Attendant.







The first year that homecoming attendants and a queen graced the football field could have been 1993 — many queens later, much remains the same. The atmosphere is the only main difference as the traditions build year after year. In 1953, Marijo Wagner, the mother of our own Rex Pyles, had her moment to shine as Football Queen. Among her court was Miss Senior, Bette Stone, who is Matt Conn's grandmother, and (at left) Miss Sophomore, Geraldine Mauk, our own Jerri Morgan, school secretary.

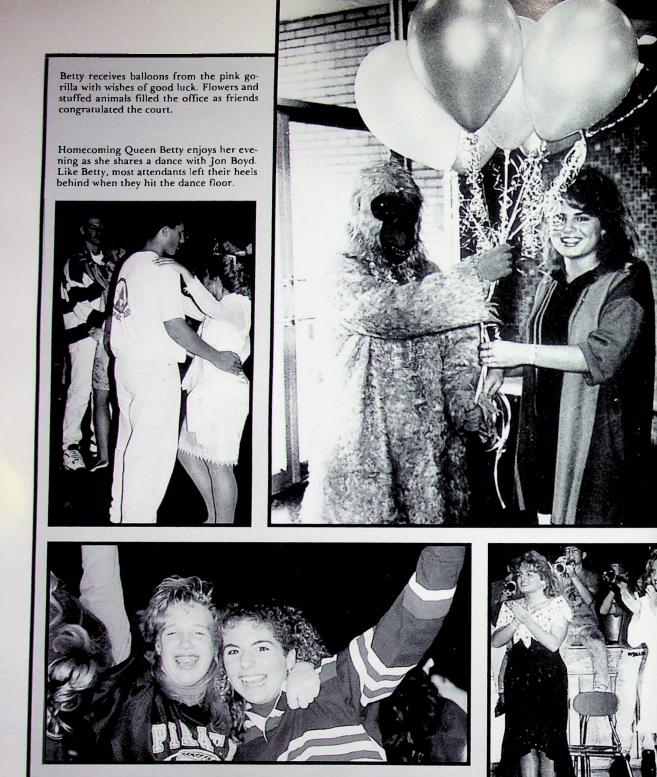






For Junior Attendant Mollie White, having Andrew Myers as an escort was a "song and dance" ordeal. "Andrew and I sang 'Almost Paradise' as a duet at the dance," she said.

Betty relaxes with her court during the remainder of the game to witness the Pirates crush the Highlanders 49-7.



Getting a little "crazy" at the homecoming dance, April Kegley and Amy Burleson shake it on the dance floor. Queen Betty Spriggs and Senior Attendant Angie Horton applaud as the band plays the fight song at the pep assembly following the rainy parade.

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These couples look content with their homecoming dance partners.

We present the 1992 Football Homecoming Queen and her court.

Queen Betty smiles royally as she reigns over the pep rally activities.











Angie Horton manages to enjoy the homecoming parade despite the rain. The attendants stayed dry while both participants and observers were soaked.

Emily, Sarah, Mollie, Angie, and Betty are introduced before the small, drenched, but enthusiastic crowd at the pep rally.

"Creepy" Combination

Upperclassmen break comic traditions

If there remained one memorable quote from the lines of this year's class play, Finders Creepers, it was "You and me's bosom pals, Hercules 'ol buddy." But if the Juniors and Seniors who got 'gussied up'' for the first play performed by the combined classes don't recall that particular jewel, they will certainly treasure the new friendships that the cast developed during the production. "There was a lot of comradeship," explained senior actress Jenny White. Junior Regan Miller, who made his debut in this year's combined production, agreed. "I enjoyed participating with the other class because I'm used to doing everything with my own grade."

If the unique bonds formed between the two grades didn't provide enough outlets, the spooky, Southern-style play did. The mys-

tery/comedy opened with two cowardly teenagers paying a visit to their uncle's mortuary. Romance followed for the two boys with Nina, junior Jennifer Clevenger, and Celeste, senior Angie Horton. However, the attempted murder of Mr. Quigley (Mike Langley) added suspense as all characters set forth to unravel the mystery. "My character was a lot like me," remarked Rob Willard, the senior who shared the lead role with Russ Johnson, a fellow ham. "It was fun having a lead," he continued. "I had all of the attention to myself."

Perhaps some things never change.

Celeste, played by Angie Horton, smiles shyly as she poses as the object of Wilbur's affection. Terrified, Hercules, played by Russ son, and Wilbur, played by Rob Wi create a hysterical scene as Hercules j into Wilbur's arms for support.

Although annoyed by his silly hat and moustache, junior Regan Miller per portrays the suspected villain, Schuster.





Tiffany Nolen, as Daphne, glares suspiciously at Claude, played by Nathan Brammer, as he begs her for her "love, understanding, and sympathy."

Once again playing a motherly role, Jennifer White has her hands full with another one of Granny's capers, played by Crissy Rock.







In the way of dramatics at W.H.S., not much has changed since 1942, when Garnet Ramey and her fellow classmates performed the comedy Spring Fever for the Junior Class Play. "All I can remember was a lot of fun," Garnet (now Garnet Mitchell) recalls, adding, "But we had even more fun getting ready for it." The differences? Junior, Senior and All High School plays were offered, and practices were always held after school. Nevertheless, cast members past and present shared opening night willies. "We all had the jit-ters," claims Mitchell. "You would have thought it was opening night on Broadway."







Junior-Senior Class Play Cast Row 1: Angie Horton, Nathan Brammer, Tiffany Nolen, Russ Johnson, Crissy Rock, Jenny White. Row 2: Rob Willard, Jennifer Clevenger, Jamie Hayes, Tonya Conn, Mike Langley, Mike Gray. Row 3: Ben Gill, Regan Miller.

Homecomings have been a part of high school activities forever, but they haven't always been the same. Also some schools could only afford to have a yearbook every other year. Therefore, if your senior year fell on that certain year, you were out of luck. For our own Miss Cheryl Weisenberger, a graduate of South Webster, this was the case. But to top it all off, her homecoming was held in W.H.S.'s gym because their new gym was not yet constructed. Nevertheless, it was still quite pleasant. She still has her white chiffon dress purchased at Lazarus for that special night. However, there was no crown to keep; she had to give it back.







The 1993 Basketball Homecoming Queen, Tiffany Nolen, sparkles with her court before their starry backdrop. Freshman Attendant Angie Duty and her escort J.D. Emnett share the spotlight before the dance.



The 1993 Basketball Homecoming Queen enjoys the evening with her esorts and co-captains Ben Gill and Chad May.

senior Attendant Christina McClure relebrates the first-time spotlight with ner escort Jeremy Hughes.



Second Time Around

Tiffany draws from past experience

Whether it's football homecoming or basketball homecoming, if the Queen has been an attendant before, things are easier the second time around. Queen Tiffany Nolen, who had been football homecoming attendant her sophomore year, was more pleased this time around. "I was more worried my sophomore year," said Tiffany, "This time I was more prepared."

However, for everyone involved the girls are generally worried about their hair and makeup or are afraid of slipping and falling. Freshman escort J.D. Emnett experienced these and other terrors. "My biggest fear was probably worrying if my girlfriend would beat me up for kissing Angie," he admitted. For the court, however, it became their night to shine with the only mishap being the absence of the theme song, "Arms of Orion." For the team, it meant chalking up another win as they defeated the Piketon Redstreaks.

Christy Brow's most memorable moment was finding out that she was chosen after a tie breaking election in the Sophomore Class. Christy said, "I was so surprised. I was shocked. I didn't know what to say."

Queen Tiffany was pleased with the entire festivities, but there is one thing she will never forget, the infamous high-five she and captain Chad May exchanged after the crowning.

Captain Chad May crowns our 1993 Basketball Homecoming Queen.







Sophomore Attendant Christie Brow shares the wonderful moment with her escort Jason Williams.

Junior Attendant Natalie Millhuff waits to begin the dance festivities with her escort Ben Blankenship.





"Hey, we're cool," say the quee court as they hide their nervoust Home Ec room before the cerem

In those final moments of prese the spotlight's glow, Tiffany & the jewels of homecoming.

The confines of a tuxedo don't ke escort Ben Blankenship from beir when he dances with attendant





"For moi?" asks Sophomore Attendant Christie Brow as escort Jason Williams models the purple carnations.

The dance floor stays crowded as several people "Jump up, Jump up, and Get Down."

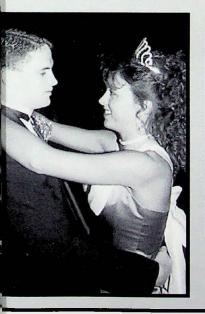




Tiffany relishes the moment of being the Basketball Homecoming Queen in a competitive race. "I was totally surprised when I got it," she said of the honor.

Freshmen "debutantes" Angie Duty and J.D. Emnett strut through the W while announcer Lori Cole reads an endless list of activities.







"It was great having Ben escort me since we were such good friends," said Tiffany of surrogate captain Ben Gill who stepped in for the role to replace former captain Chris Carter. They say a lady never tells. But Senior Attendant Christina admitted that the kiss from escort Jeremy Hughes wasn't really wildly romantic. "I was too worried I'd have something between my teeth or something." she said.

Surprise?

Few unsuspecting as many break "hush-hush" tradit

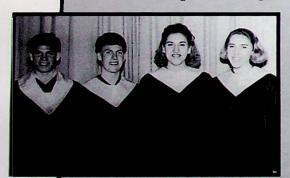
It is a dark and quiet room. Notes of classical music waft through the humid April air as robed, torch-bearing figures wander through narrow passageways of chairs. Suddenly, mysterious figures surround you, force you to stand, and begin to mumble, "I tap you into the George Rightmire Chapter of the National Honor Society!" The terror is over; you are now a member of Wheelersburg's National Honor Society.

On April 7, 1993 — the Day of Reckoning for high-strung juniors or party time for senioritis-infested graduates-to-be — two-year NHS members inducted, then "passed-thetorch" to 25 new and eager members. Though many junior and senior hopefuls anxiously awaited the ceremony, induction downright surprised Meri Lemon. "The first thing I said was 'Oh, my stars!" said Meri. "It took me a whole day to believe it, because I once got a 'D' in Mr. Branon's class. But I guess it's not just grades; it's character."

Character it is, along with leadership, service, and that pesky scholarship. But some nameless students showed lack of character as they tried to snitch about inductees-to-be, twins Beth and Freda Lusk. "The day we got in, someone told us," said Beth while Freda added, "But we didn't believe them." However, seniors like Scott Wells, David Reed, and Paul Branstetter — among others — had already been leaked the information by tattling friends and parents. But whether they had known it or not, each inductee shared in the honor of being inducted into NHS. For the others, tune in next year as the terror of tapping continues. . .!

The senior inductors were seeing double when they tapped in twins Keith and Kenton Lawson and Beth and Freda Lusk. This was the first time two sets of twins were inducted. Juniors Natalie Millhuff and Shar congratulate each other on their tions into the N.H.S.





1995 Inductees: Keith Lawson, Amy DeCamp, Lisa Hayden, Meri Lemon. Row 2: Sharli Crisp, Dave Reed, Nathan Kennard, Freda Lusk, Paul Branstetter, Mandy Yeley, Michael Gray. Row 3: Jenny Wight, Scott Wells, Regan Miller, Beth Lusk, Jason Johnson, Nikki Smith, Kara Baker. Row 4: Thad Gulley, Rich Sherman, Mike Colegrove, Natalie Millhuff, Kenton Lawson, Dustin Burt, Chris Shelton.



George Rightmire Chapter

George M. Rightmire, one of the graduates of Wheelersburg High School's Class of 1885, is for whom the WHS Honor Society was named. George Rightmire went on to become the President of The Ohio State University.

Honor Society Pledge

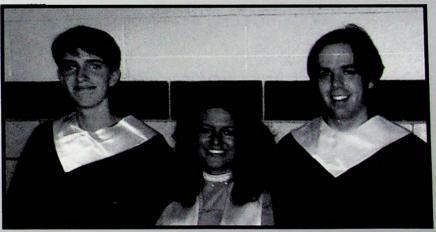
I pledge myself to uphold The high purposes of the National Honor Society To which I have been elected. Striving in every way By word and deed To make its ideals

The ideals of my school And of my life.

Jenny Wight relaxes with her family during the reception after a tension-filled induction ceremony.



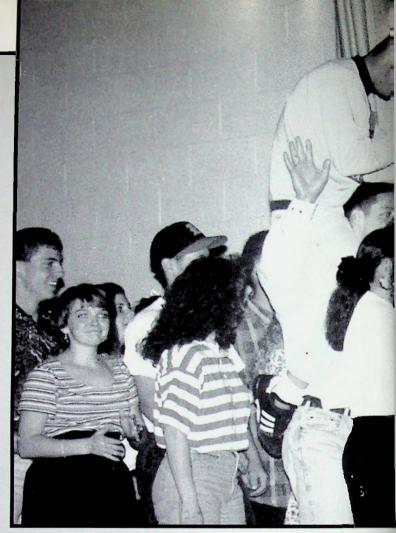


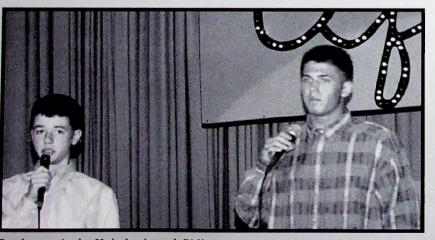


Following the excitement of inductions, in- Senior member Crissy Rock celebrates ductee Mike Gray approaches inductor with her best friends Dustin Burt and Scott Becky Brow with questions about their prom Wells. plans. The two appeared two weeks later as a couple at the prom.

Four years isn't enough to make much history, but WHS has broken the mold and dedicated itself and its aspiring musicians to thrilling a packed gym since 1990. In the first, 38 acts graced the stage. "After Hours has changed in quality tremendously. The kids have grown in poise and confidence," commented Mrs. Rebecca Climer, the director and initiator of this annual event. Three seniors have their performances of all four years locked in their memories: Amy Cassidy, Ange Fannin, and Russ Johnson. Between them, they have moved from Toad the Wet Sprocket to "Lean on Me", Phantom and "The Rose".







Freshmen Andy Heimbach and Phil Lodwick recreate the Simon & Garfunkel hit "Sounds of Silence" while experiencing the thrill of their first After Hours.

Sean Frazier raises the roof with his earpiercing scream at the beginning of "Back Door Man."



any of the performers at After Hours 193 unite on stage for the final song of e evening.

After Hours Packs Gym

r. Parker enjoys his duet of "Old Time bck & Roll" with Stephanie Conn along th serving as Master of Ceremonies.



Sonny and Cher "live" in Wheelersburg

No one said 1993 would be average. And moving in step — or rather, setting the pace — for WHS was this year's After Hours. Live musicians, namely Adam Shepherd at the piano, Scott Wells on guitar, and a live band, graced (and lit up) the stage and the evening.

Adam Shepherd, faced with double-duty singing and accompanying himself, smiled. "I was nervous. . .but sometimes you just gotta' bite the bullet and go through with it." Adam wowed the capacity crowd with his rendition of John Lennon's "Imagine."

Eugene Willoughby, long famed for his hillarious and sometimes ridiculous dancing took a moment to reflect on the evening. "Singing 'A Whole New World' with Becky Barnett was easier than 'The Dance' alone. As far as dancing, I'm saving myself for my senior year."

But after the songs had been sung and every foot was tired from tapping, one performance stood out; after all, it's not often you get to see Sonny and Cher "live" in Wheelersburg. "Cher", April Kegley, laughed about the evening. "It was great looking like a retard and acting like one too. I think I was Cher in my former life." After seeing the performance by Becki Johnson and April, we haven't found anyone who doubts it.





Scott Wells accompanies on the acoustic guitar, his sister, Staci, and Crissy Rock as they sing "Secure Yourself".

April Kegley and Becki Johnson entertain the crowd as they sing Sonny and Cher's "I Got You, Babe."

Drawing, Painting, & Computing, the Future

Art students become "Pioneering Partners" with gran

Since before the Stone Age, humans have used art as an expression of emotions, daily encounters, and creativity. As our civilization has progressed, so have our art forms, from cave paintings to computergenerated masterpieces, a far cry from anything Fred and Wilma could have concocted from the rock quarry. And despite the modern complexity of the computers and the art they kick out, WHS students now have the resources to be on the cutting edge of the computerized future.

Fortunately, art instructor Tom Suter, works with students who possess intelligence far surpassing that of any Flintstone. Unfortunately, however, the computers are not dinosaur-automated and therefore require money — lots of it. But because of a \$5,000 grant instituted in 1992 called the "Pioneering Partners for Educational Technology," Mr. Suter has acquired additional funding sources, one of which includes a \$120,000 grant for an extensive telecommunications network that will expand our existing systems and link WHS to the rest of the world.

Telecommunications? Most of us only know that it's leaps and bounds above the ramhorn phones Fred used in Bedrock. However, even Freshmen and Sophomores in the art program are mastering a unique system that will become the wave of the future. (Yes, almost like the Jetsons!) Meanwhile, most students continue to use traditional paints and clay in addition to the computers to create fine art that is timeless. Everyone from Fred Flintstone to George Jetson can see the benefits of goodolde expression of emotions, daily encounters, and creativity. Besides, some aspiring art student may someday even design those cool shoes Elroy Jetson used to walk on the ceiling.

Sophomore Jenny Cook proves that art still isn't all keyboards and computations as she works on a traditional piece in Art I.

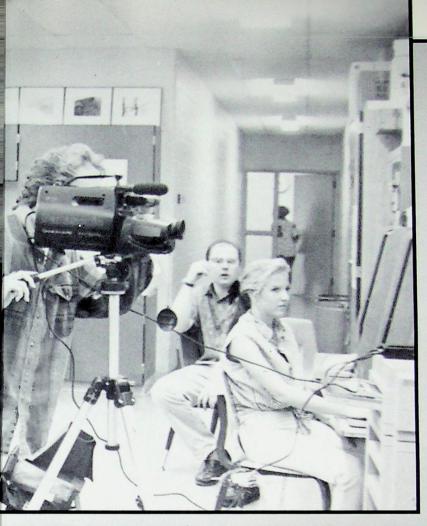




With Kell Hicks and Coby Long as a captive audience, computer mogul Tom Suter instructs the art of <u>computer</u> art.

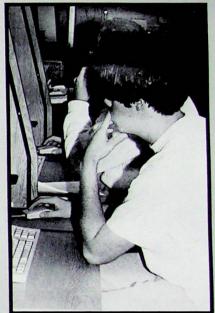
AAAA members include John Nichols, Keith Lawson, Scott Wells, Freda Lusk, and Metessa Bush along with Mr. Suter and student teacher Mrs. McCall.



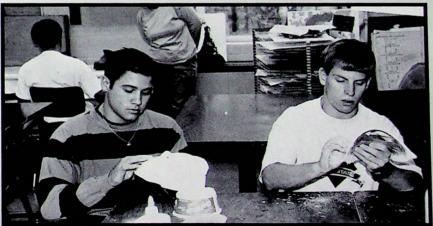


Under the guidance of Mr. Suter, Jamie Hayes demonstrates some of the new technology implemented into this year's art program. A TV crew from WOSU at The Ohio State University came to tape a special based on the program.

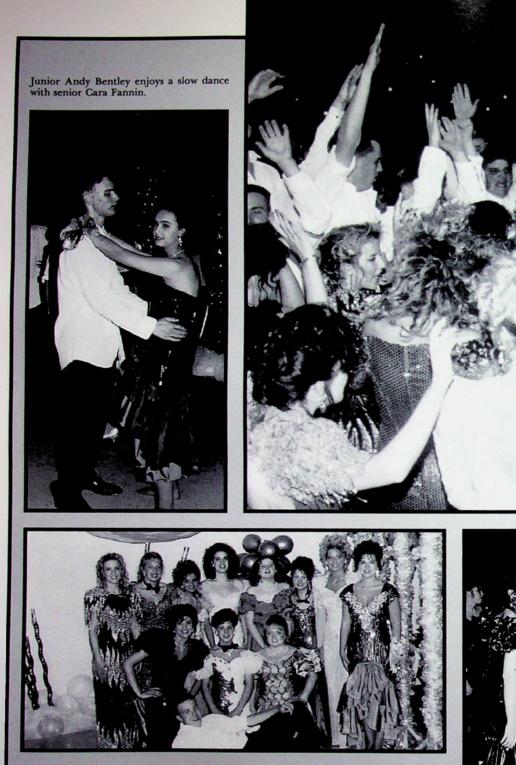
It's "monkey see, monkey do" as Mr. Suter and his senior computer protege Scott Wells imitate each other's actions while computing.







Despite the action-packed artistic adventures that await them inside the computer, Steve Taylor and Adam Scott put off their projects to gab for a few minutes. Too engrossed in their own facial molds to look up, AAAA sculptors John Nichols and Keith Lawson slave away on the plaster.



Prom Committee: Regan Miller, Row 2: Amy DeCamp, Becki Johnson, Amy Sutton. Row 3: Jamie Hayes, April Kegley, Tonya Conn, Jenny Wight, Shawna Johnson, Kelli Gayhart, Amy Knight, Jill Knapp.

"What are you dancing with her for, Ryan?" Lisa Hayden and Jenny Wight laugh at the expression on Beth Lusk's face. Perhaps sore feet had something to do with it.



Some Things Never Change

ands across Wheelersburg! Even though e music was cut off, "Mony Mony" still s a hit at prom '93.

na Spriggs and Keith Lawson get down prom. Despite sore feet, these juniors und their first prom much to their liking.



Fun, friends and panic all part of prom

It's a mania that sets in as early as September and afflicts upperclassmen until the last Friday in April. It pushes parents and hamburger-slinging students into spending hundreds of dollars and forces the grimiest victims to curl, shower, and shave. The disease isn't senioritis or even the junior need to rule the school; it's prom panic the date asking, dress-getting, tuxsizing madness that makes that one special night so memorable for most upperclassmen.

Regardless of the preparations it took for so many couples to look, act, and feel so nice on April 23, one of the most difficult stages of prom panic is finding (and keeping) a date. Despite the old tradition of taking one's boyfriend or girlfriend to Wheelersburg's only formal, many couples simply went as buddies. Junior Lana Spriggs, who attended with longtime pal Justin Hawes, remarked, "My date was fun because Justin wasn't my boyfriend. I could dance with everybody without anyone feeling bad." Senior Mike Colegrove, who escorted girlfriend Heather Burchett, disagreed. "I had more fun this year at prom, because I felt closer to Heather. She and I hung around together instead of splitting up."

Regardless of whether you went with a friend, a true love, or by yourself, you were sure to do at least one of the following: A. have a great time, B. get lost trying to get to The Meeting Place, C. drink the pickle juice-spiked pop at the refreshment stand, or D. have your picture taken in front of the "underwater" castle. Though you may not have had the good fortune of drinking the Pepsi which the sophomore class officers "pickled" or gone on a wild-goose chase throughout the Clay area trying to find the actual prom, you probably posed at least 1,000 times before the beautiful "Under the Sea" decorations or just had some good 'ol clean (or mostly clean) fun dancing and enjoying the end of prom panic for at least a year.



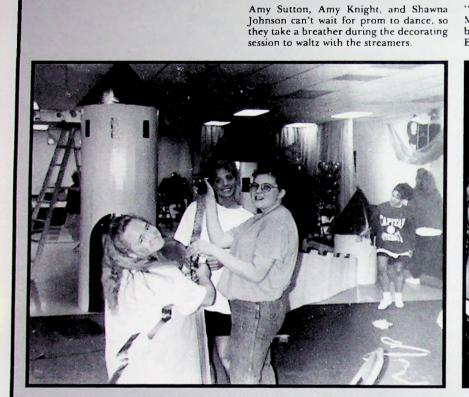


Taking a break from the dance floor, Mariann Jenkins and Dave Dalton enjoy the prom together.

Never far apart, these senior guys show their manhood and great maturity as they relax without their dates.

"Help! You're blinding me!" Bet sequins and the decorations, this girls had a chance to shine durin prom night.

"Honest — these aren't fake fing Mollie White and Jay Neff exhibit ballroom form while Michelle Kru Eugene Willoughby try to copy.





Brenda Roush, Kelsie Goodman, Shannon Diamond and Ryan Lawson relax as they discuss plans for the after-prom.

Nearly all of the promsters join to sway to "Shout."









Jenny White and Michael Hotchkin join Kim Brown and Mark Spriggs on the dance floor for an upbeat rap. Dustin Burt and Meri Lemon contemplate the punch bowl and converse with sophomore class officer Geoff Thacker. The seniors enjoyed being waited on at their final prom.







Band members from WHS's very own garage band "Tin Roof Chapel" pose for their first group photo. "Tin Roof Chapel" is Crissy Rock, lead vocals; Scott Wells on guitar; Jay Humble on drums, and Dustin Burt on bass. Husband and wife-to-be Virgil Lowder and Melissa Maggard stop to chat during their first formal together. The couple plans to marry in July.



panning the dancefloor to bring you the mill of slow-dancing and the agony of refeet, our yearbook photographer rives to find new angles on the "handsn" experience of prom.

Junior Regan Miller and Senior Amy Cassidy separate from their dates for a slow dance. In the background, however, couple Virgil Lowder and Melissa Maggard share the advantages of coming to prom together. "I'm most like Cinderella!" "No, I am!" argue juniors Shelly Jividen, Mandy Yeley, and Erin Merean between smiles. Despite the majority of straight, sequin gowns, everyone made room for the big, beautiful gowns.









"Here's to sweating off our expensive cumberbuns, vests, ties, and jackets" exclaim juniors Jeremy Fannin and Jerrod Lawson.

Regardless of song or partner, everyone seems to take a different expression during slow dances. Some closing tunes included "I Will Always Love You" and the tearful"I Can't Make You Love Me."

"A Whole New World"

Twentieth annual banquet honors 121

The pleasant buzz of underclassmen chattering blended with the muted tones of conversing parents in the WHS gymnasium on May 6, 1993, as the Twentieth Annual Scholarship Banquet got under way. The nervous freshmen eved the more assured sophomores, and the downright cocky juniors made faces at the slightlysuperior seniors, who just happened to tramp up the wrong end of the stairs to get their award certificates and pins. "It was an honor to be honored," said eloquent freshman Kim Pfister. "I like the pin. It was neat; it was different; it was special."

Staci Wells optimistically compared the sophomore experience to that of a freshman. "It wasn't long and boring like usual. It was short — I liked it. The corn wasn't cold." Even though not everyone was able to make the grade, the possibility loomed in the minds of many as the student body waited a few weeks earlier for the special invitations to this night.

However, through all the delicious food, the ceremony, the awards, and the fat lady's song (smile Swiss), the best part was the same for all — fighting over the decorations. "I liked the little squishy things on the table," said Jane Allwood. "They were — um, well — squishy!" The squishy things were small globes of the world imprinted on them, which also served to hold down a world balloon.

Of the 121 students recognized for their accomplishments, the break-down according to classes was: Seniors-22, Juniors-23, Sophomores-35, and Freshmen 41. Mr. Keller, the faculty rep for presents Rhett Murphy with the checker. This association presente throughout the evening to two reselected students.

Mrs. Christine Eaton, Board Pricongratulates Geoff Thacker on demic accomplishments.

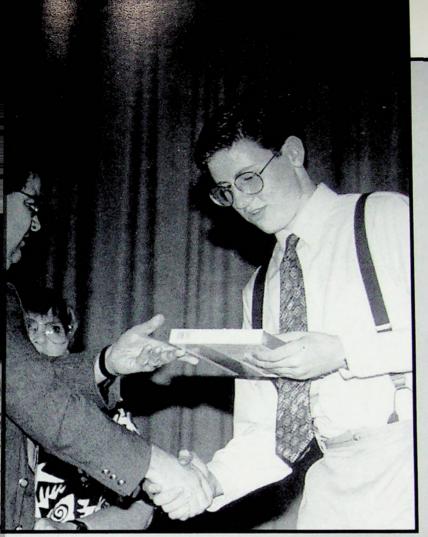


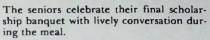


Rhett Murphy and Heather Burchett pose with their winnings from WISE. Rhett won an electronic dictionary, and Heather won a graphics calculator.

Ben Gill and Christina McClure are recipients of the prestigious OHSAA Student Athlete Awards.







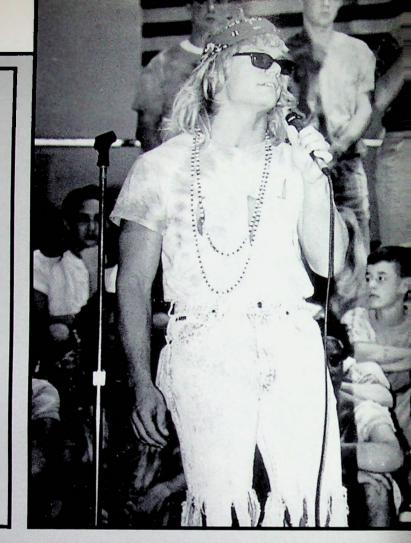






Senior Kim Brown received her certificate with a smile. The graduating class of '93 broke tradition and reversed the trek up the stairs, Kim included. Rich Sherman, Amy Hughes, Justin Hawes, and Amanda See are the winners of the coveted dictionaries presented annually by the W.E.A. One of the most well-prepared and anticipated events on the WHS activities schedule takes center stage for several weeks each year in the spring, filling up almost everyone's free time. But it all seems worth it as the art, drafting, band, woodworking, and chorus classes join to put on a spectacular display — Night of the Arts.

In 1992, one of the most anticipated of these evenings, new computer techniques, beautiful woodworking projects, and fantastic works of computer and classic art were displayed as the band belted out Disney's "Beauty and the Beast." Stealing the show, however, was the mixed chorus' medley from the broadway musical The Phantom of the Opera. It enthralled the audience while inspiring the memorable After Hours acts "All I Ask of You" and "The Music of the Night." Undeniably one of the most outstanding ever, Night of the Arts '92 will remain etched forever in the memories of all who attended.





The band surprises the audience with a spooky rendition of "House of Horrors." The audience, in return, gave them a standing ovation.

Sophomore Casey McElroy intently works on his industrial arts project which he displayed at the festival.



Art Is Timeless

th all the empathy of the Incredible Ik-gone-hippie, Russ Johnson wails "Let Be" before the chorus stands for its 60's bute, "Happy Together."

e soprano section of the mixed chorus ay to their rendition of the 60's song, fonday, Monday'' during the program.



Night of the Arts spans past, present and future

Like the catchy harmonies of a 60's "feelgood" tune, nothing brings people together quite like art does. And whether they had come to enjoy the works of young carpenters and novice engineers, the designs of budding photographers and student sculptors, or the sounds of brassy trumpeteers and tie-dyed tenors, the visitors to this year's Night of the Arts festival packed the house on May 14.

While artistic and creative expression unify creators and spectators of all tastes and backgrounds, they are also timeless forms of expression. Everyone from Miss Weisenberger to the drafting students proved that creativity can take us on a journey into both the past and the future. With the help of hippie-turned-English teacher Miss Weisenberger, the chorus sent us on a time-warp with the production "Happy Together," a tribute to the music and clothes of the Sixties. Bedecked in blossoms and beads, both select and mixed groups created a tie-dyed gala in the gym. "I thought it was pretty cool," said senior select member Chad Wolfe. "Watchin" everybody's costumes as we walked in was great." Meanwhile, in the cafeteria, the art and drafting programs sent us on a technological odyssey with computerized images of everything from abstract drawings to concrete engineering plans. Said future engineer Jared Vanderhoof, "It's given me a basis of what engineers do, the types of things they design, and what processes are involved."

However, there still is no time like the present. As the band performed modern musical classics like "Shop of Horrors," the woodshop students displayed woodworking projects: new versions of timeless standbys. Senior Eric Ellis took particular interest in a functional but challenging cupboard assignment. "I wanted to do something useable but different," he said. "I might continue with woodworking later in life as a hobby, but it helped me through shcool; it was what I came to school for."

If the pavers of artistic creativity are strong enough to bring anyone to the classroom, they are well worth seeing, hearing, and praising.





Metessa Bush keeps her cool amid a clutter of abstract sculpture made by advanced art students. AAAA lent its hands in setting up all types of art.

Mrs. Climer proudly compliments the chorus for their accomplishments this past year.

AAAA student Keith Lawson de photograph, "Illuminated Snor product of advanced art's pheproject. Beth Lusk and Lisa Hayden concentrate on their music while playing "Blue Ridge Hol-iday," one of their easier pieces of spring

Mark Manchester works in drag on one of the pieces to be displag spring festival.



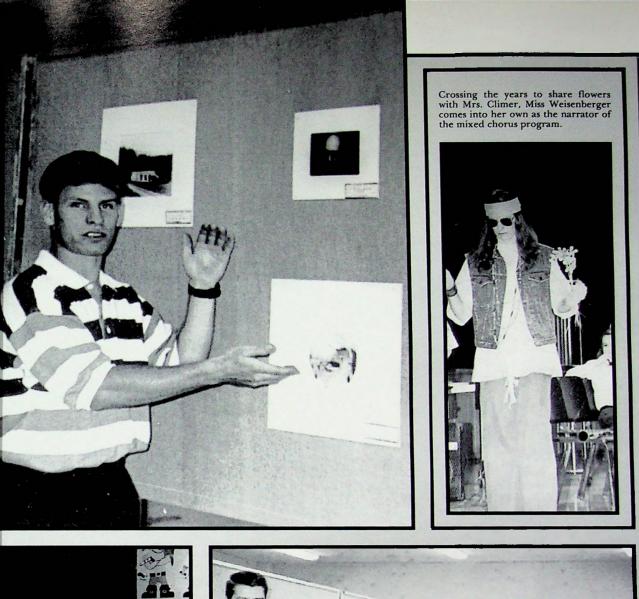
music.



Some clarinets remain calm as Kim Pfister during the band's showstopper, "Shop of Horrors."

The alto section of the mixed chorus sing "American Pie" while Miss Weisenberger tells of the great 70's storytellers.

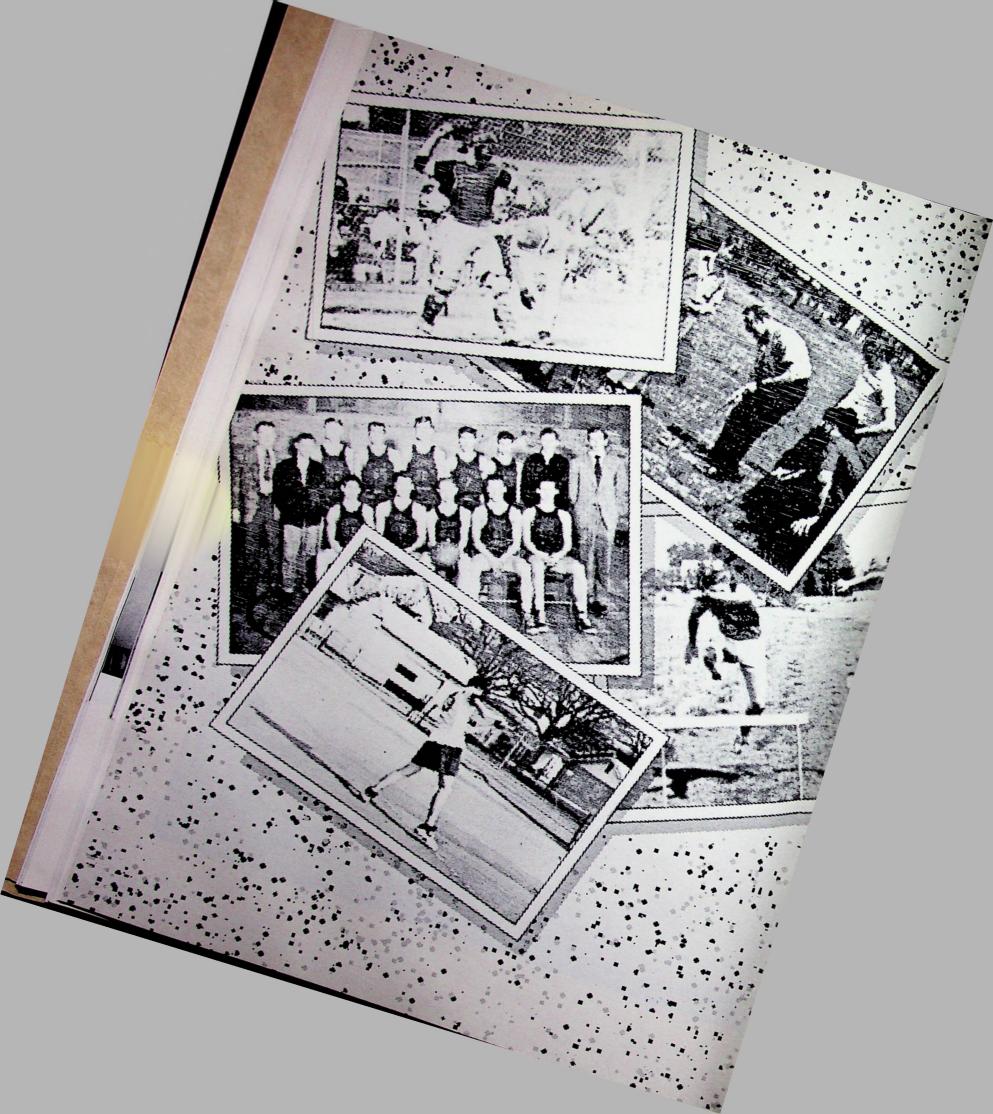








He's tender with the tympani, too. Junior Chris Shelton shows his percussion versatility during the instrumental section of the arts festival. Helping out, Mr. Garner and Metessa Bush dedicate their time and energy throughout the hectic afternoon in setting up for Night of the Arts.





Memorable Moments

Victory over Webster tops season

The tension level was high that odd and rainy evening. The place South Webster High School, the Jeeps undefeated. Once before these two teams had faced off with the Jeeps dealing the Pirates a painful defeat, but as the first half of the season drew to a close, Webster knew the Burg was back to boot the undefeated title out of their hands. After the long struggle came to an end, the Booters left Webster and rode home in victory. "It was the most thrilling part of the season," said Jason Williams.

Coach Boll stated the greatest accomplishment was having a perfect record in the SOC the second part of the season. "I believe they did this by learning to work as a team and play together." MVP Tim Jenkins believed the loss against Alexander was the end of a good season. His main accomplishment was an outstanding job offensively against Northwest. "We had fun, and that's all that matters," he said, summing up the season.

But the question remains — what was the best part of the season? "Well," said Ashley Leake, "I liked messing up the football field."

However, the success of the season was mindboggling to some. Jason Hedrick could hardly recall his — or the team's — finest moments when he looked back. "I can't remember," he said, "I lost my memory." That he did when he suffered a head injury in one of the games. Too bad for him there were many fine moments to replay and hold dear in the future.



The Year Was 1986

A group of high school guys got together to play a sport they all enjoyed — and the result was the first WHS soccer team in 1986. Speaking of his first team and teams over the years, Coach Boll said, "My expectations have been fulfilled." Each year he has a new team to shape into a winner. When asked how his teams have changed over the

years, he states, "A coach must do the best he can do with his team each year," exemplifying the team's typically optimistic outlook. Obviously the perfect season of '91 was a highlight, as are the yearly honors the players earned, over the course of these seven years. The team has accumulated an impressive set of numbers — 83 wins, never a losing season.



Row 1: Shaun Allen, Bobby Walton, Dusty McCain, Jason McCain, Hunt, Mark MacRae, Terry Grashel. Row 2: Coach Boll, Chris Patrick Jameson, Richard Nelson, Richard Tolbert, Scott Logan, Duncan, Shawna Riggs, Andy Davis. Row 3: Shan Allen, Jeff Mullins, Gross, Brian Smith, Mike Kitts, Brian Shepard, Chris Copley.



Matt Schwamburger and Jon Boyd watch as Jason Williams and Shawn Boll fight for control during the Orange and White Game. Ashley Leake prepares to kick the ball onto the field which both the football and soccer teams shared this year. "I liked messing up the field," said Ashley.



Opponent	Score
New Boston	4-5
Minford	5-1
Portsmouth	1-3
Clay	4-1
South Webster	3-7
Northwest	8-1
Valley	0-2
New Boston	3-0
Boyd County	1-0
Portsmouth	1-4
Minford	2-0
Clay	4-3
South Webster	4-2
Russell	0-0
Northwest	3-1
Valley	3-2
Lynchburg Cla	ay 5-2
Alexander	0-1



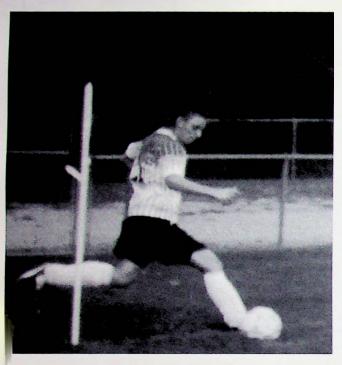


Tim Jenkins rushes to keep the ball in play during a tournament game against Lynchburg Clay at the New Boston stadium. Row 1: J. Flannery, D. Dalton, N. Bowen, T. Jenkins, J. Boyd, B. Ridenour. Row 2: J. Adams, K. Blake, A. Artrip, J. Bryan, T. Jenkins, G. Given, Row 3: P. Lodwick, J. Miller, R. Burleson, B.J. Litz, S. Boll, D. Rase, Row 4: Head Coach Boll, D. Horton, M. Schwamburger, C. Wilburn, J. Hedrick, W. Baker, N. Kennard, A. Leake, Coach Given.



Kevin Risner sends the ball back into action.

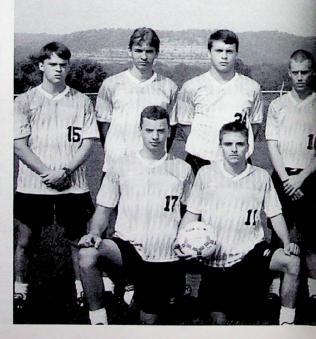
"I'd better watch out for that flag!" thinks Tim Jenkins as he goes for a corner kick during the Northwest game. The Pirates clobbered the Mohawks at home, 3-1.

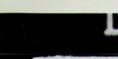






Following through on the kick, Tim Jenkins blasts the ball out of enemy hands at the Portsmouth game. Seniors Row 1: Jeremy Flannery, Tim Jenkins. Row 2: Dave Dalton, Nate Bowen, Jon Boyd, Bill Ridenour.





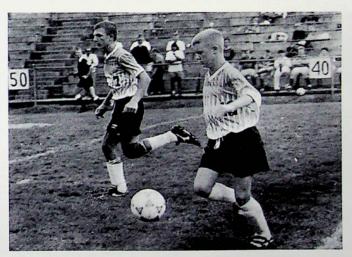


With the ferocity of a savage soccer player, Kevin Risner blocks an opponent's kick. Captain Tim Jenkins rounds up his sweaty teammates for a huddle on the home field. For his strong leadership skills, Tim was awarded MVP.



Reserve Soccer		
Opponent	Score	
Russell	1-4	
Minford	2-1	
Portsmouth	1-0	
Northwest	1-2	
Clay	4-1	
Boyd County	0-0	
Portsmouth	2-1	
Clay	4-3	
Russell	1-4	
Northwest	0-1	

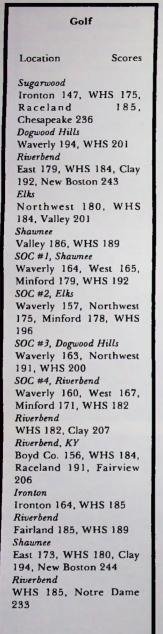




Jason Williams and Tim Jenkins take on an Alexander opponent at the New Boston stadium in the Sectional Tournament. The Burg Booters went on to lose the game, however, by a 0-1 score. Carefully dribbling the ball toward the goal, Aaron Schmidt concentrates as fellow sophomore Jason Williams runs guard.

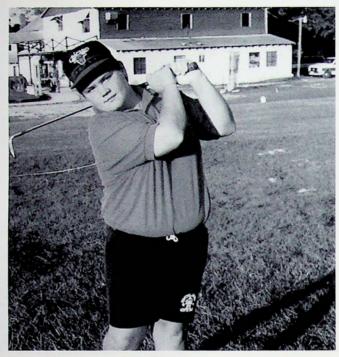


Goalie Phil Lodwick blocks a kick after a remarkable save in an SOC game. "Being goalie was fun, even though it's a big responsibility for a freshman," said Phil.



Micah Bond takes a moment to swing into the mood of the afternoon as he prepares for the match by getting used to the clubs and trying not to look uncomfortable in his golf shoes.

Casey McElroy carefully measures his practice swing and watches to see the outcome of his efforts. Chris Shelton exhibits tour form. Though dressed, he is obvious about his game.





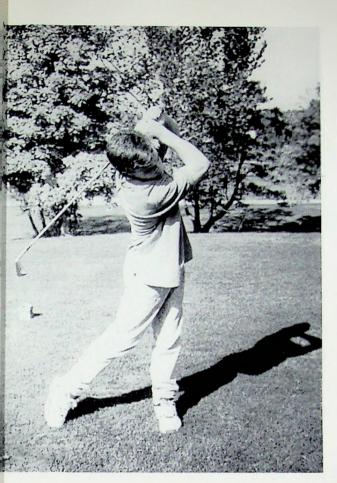


Golf

Row 1: Regan Miller, Scott Schwamberger, Casey McElroy. Row 2: Coach Tim Gilbert, Chris Shelton, Ryan Willis, Micah Bond. Not pictured: Shannon Diamond.



Regan, Ryan, and Chu the October sunchine fr chaise-lounges — uh cart. Between the sun season, all agree they great time.



Swinging With Tradition

Golf looks to future during rebuilding year

The first season started with a dozen golf balls, an ugly golf shirt, and a ride to the matches in an old orange Chevy panel wagon driven by Coach Burke. A lot of swings, a lot of missed putts, and a lot of hard work have been building the golf program for 20 years at WHS.

The young but maturing team, under the guidance of Coach Tim Gilbert re-lived the year 1971 in their battle for a future SOC title. Ryan Willis, MVP of the 1992 season, described it. "There were many challenges, but it will also be an effective learning tool for the coming year."

Even though the sluggish season didn't fulfill everyone's high expectations, the future is bright...21 years of putting can't be for nothing.



Added to the roster of spring sports in 1971 are golf members Dave Vest, Rex Fannin, Mark Estes, Coach Herschel Burke, Bruce Vest, and John Mullins.

21 Years of Tradition

In 1971, Herschel Burke and a group of young men in an ugly station wagon formed a bond of friendship...and a golf team. The team compiled an 8-5 record, placed 4th in the SOC, and earned 5th in the District Tournament. "Football was work,

golf was fun," commented Dave Vest, a member of the 1971 team. "I still play occasionally; hopefully one of my kids will have the opportunity to play on a Burg team in the future."

Since then, Chris Spradlin must be remembered as one of the most outstanding who earned a chance at the state title in 1990, the only one from this area to earn this honor.

Traditions Start Today

Girls tennis takes the tourney in premier year

"What is this? What are these silly girls doing practicing their forehands and backhands in the fall? What is with the little tiny skirts in the cold?" Coach Gordon Williams was probably faced with these questions as he embarked upon his first year as girls tennis coach. This new and successful activity could become a tradition lasting well into the future as the size of the team grows and the ability levels soar.

Freshman Keri Ann Delph, who represented the Burg in tournament play, was intimidated at first. "I was rather overwhelmed," she said. "But it's not hard to get excited when you are playing with someone as good as Mandy. After awhile, you just play and forget your nerves." A junior, Mandy Yeley made her second appearance in the state tournament, this time in the girls event. She fell to none less than the top seed in the state. "Playing and representing my school was an honor and memory that I will never forget," she said.

And so we wait for the short skirts, cold weather, well-practiced forehands, and powerful backhands as fall approaches, our eyes bright with promise and our heads and hearts filled with the unrealized dreams of the future.



Breaking Boundaries

In 1991 as a freshman, Mandy Yeley qualified for the District Regional tournament in Columbus and made it to the second round of action. She was the second-seeded player from this area, and was the first girl to ever go to district competition in singles. She was named to the All-SOC Tennis Team.

Perhaps the great-

est achievement for WHS tennis, and for women players across the state, was Mandy's participation in the state finals in the boy's tournament in 1992. Though defeated in the first round, she felt she had overcome many obstacles. "Being the only girl, I wasn't really disappointed," she said. "I was more glad to have met the challenge."



Coach Gordon Williams and junior netter, Mandy Yeley, r during the state finals at The Ohio State University.



Before Keri Ann's doubles match against Portsmouth, Coach Gordon helps perfect her serve. Finishing up their one-day season, the girls tennis team gets together for one last picture before they leave Waverly.





Gordon proudly stands with Heather and Keri Ann after they defeated Portsmouth in doubles action. Row 1: Keri Ann Delph, Michele Evans. Row 2: Amy Jo Carver, Meredith Carmon, Mandy Yeley. Not pictured: Erin Mearan, Heather Wilcoxon, Coach Gordon Williams. Senior Heather Wilcoxon





During their doubles match against Jackson, Meredith and Michele cool off between sets.

Cross Country

Location Placement

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"We are finally done" are the thoughts of the team after a hard run at Rio Grande.

Mike Colegrove leads the pack while Punky Parsley presses on.





Punky Parsley's determination brings him to the finish line.



Row 1: Mike Colegrove, Dave Reed. Row 2: James "Punky" Parsley, Andrea Cooper, Kenton Lawson. Row 3: Coach Jack Branon, Jerrad Cooper, Andrew Myers, Jay Neff.

Seniors Mike Colegrove and Dave Reed.





Running To Win

Young runners use magic words to achieve success

Hard work. Dedication. Perserverance. Exhibited by the cross country team, the talented group of young runners used these magic words to achieve success. Although the '92 season wasn't an extraordinary one, it was a time for building unity within the team, which showed as their ability to get along enhanced their success. There was no competition between members, only a mutual attitude of encouragement. "We're not just cross country teammates. We're friends, too," said junior Andrew Myers.

Even without reaching their goal of qualifying for

regionals, the team had several other accomplishments. For Jerrad Cooper, a highlight was beating Portsmouth in the districts. Coach Branon felt that beating several highranked Kentucky teams at the Boyd County Invitational was another highlight. Individually, Andrea Cooper, the only female runner, qualified for regionals. Jerrad Cooper was named to the 1st Team All-SOC, while Jay Neff and Dave Reed were named to the 2nd Team. The team finished 6th of 23 teams in the district, missing the cut off for regionals by one place.



Row 1: S. Maggard, J. Smith, J. Woodrum, B. Tilley. Row 2: Coach Burke, R. Jones, R. Tilley, D. Cooper, D. Lemons.

Traditions for the future

Though the tradition of cross country at WHS has always been rich and abounding in excellence, the team of 1972 stands out as one of the most memorable in that they qualified for state competition; after all the sweat and work, they brought home an 8th place finish. Coach Herschel Burke, now a junior high teacher, commented, "The key to our success was having a group of devoted kids that trained hard and worked hard."

This tradition is one the cross country teams have striven to follow into the present, as several teams have come close to qualifying for state and many runners have earned individual awards.

A Time Of Preparation

Freshmen & JV Build for Future

Okay, so maybe the crowds aren't so massive. And maybe the players aren't, either (not yet, at least). But hey — it's a long climb to the top. High school football isn't something you come in playing like a pro, thus the purpose of the freshmen and reserve football teams. They are more than just a time of preparation, however, for the players, coaches, and ever faithful fans.

Pirate pride, strength, and enthusiasm paid off for this year's freshman team with a 5-2 season while the reserves spent their time sharpening their skills for varsity, owing their success to the expertise of Coach Schomburg, plus the talent and determination of the players and the everpresent Pirate spirit. While the reserves were looking to the future, the freshmen were learning the fundamentals of high school ball from coaches Bill Claxon, Bill Blankenship, and Rusty Blankenship, a member of the 1989 State Championship team. Coach Claxon said, "The players worked hard and the team improved as the season progressed."

Geoff Thacker, a reservevarsity drifter commented, "Getting the opportunity to play in varsity games was great; going out with the older guys and hearing my name on the P.A. was incredible." For Geoff at least, all of his sweat and blood have been rewarded. Summing up the season, his brother John added, "It was a lot of hard work and dedication that paid off in the end."





Side-lined by an injury, J.D. Emnett cheers on his team.

Coach Claxon gives his team instructions on the next play.







Micah Arthur tries to avoid Greenup County's swarming defense. Breaking a tackle, David "Duck" Hanzel struggles to keep his balance as he attempts a first down.



Reserve Football

Score	Opponent
34-0	Greenup Co.
13-0	Coal Grove
22-6	Minford
0-14	Ashland
16-0	Waverly
14-12	Portsmouth

Freshman Football

Score	Opponent
7-19 14-7 18-6 0-30 35-8	Greenup Co. Coal Grove Ashland Jackson Rock Hill
26-0	Rock Hill



Brian Montgomery scrambles from the pocket to avoid the rush. Row 1: D. Tolbert, J. Mcenach, D. Glenn, N. Moore, A. Glenn, Row 2: L. Green, T. Vallance, B. Tangerman, T. Johnson, S. Browning, S. Miller, Row 3: J. Hughes, S. Salyers, M. Arthur, J. Pinson, D. Hanzel, K. Bauer, W. Holbrook, Row 4: J. Bays, Mgr., A. Albrecht, B. Montgomery, D. Reynolds, J.D. Emnett. Row 5: Coach Claxon, Coach R. Blankenship, Coach B. Blankenship.



Kevin Bauer skillfully attempts the point- after kick.

Lori and Ange huddle together for warmth during the snowy tournament game against Barnesville.



Despite the horror of getting up at 6:00 A.M. at camp, Lori, Ange, and Natalie are happy it's time for breakfast.

Starting off the year for the cheerleaders, the River Days Parade is always good exercise and fun.

Seniors Angie Horton, Tiffany Nolen, Lori Cole, Crissy Rock, Ange Fannin.









Cheering for her last year, Sharli Crisp enjoys a dance at the homecoming pep rally.

Varsity Squad Row 1: Mandy Yeley, Angie Horton, Tiffany Nolen. Row 2: Sharli Crisp, N. Millhuff, Lori Cole. Row 3: Tonya Conn, Crissy Rock, Lana Spriggs, Ange Far the Varsity and Reserve Squads et ready for excitement and celbration prior to the Portsmouth ame. The cheerleaders, student body, and fans take the field before the Portsmouth game to fire up the Pirates.





Part of Team Victory

Cheerleaders start chain reaction that leads to victory

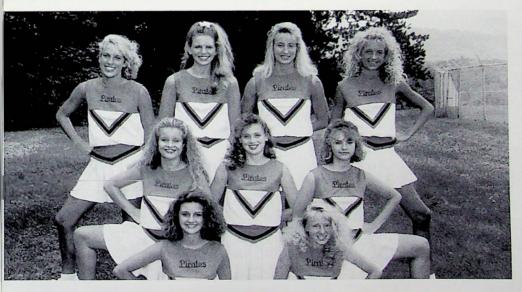
"There's nothing like it," said varsity cheerleader Tiffany Nolen. "Nothing compares to the excitement of cheering for football and feeling not only a part of the crowd, but a part of the team."

The job of the cheerleaders is uncertain to some — shouting, dancing, wearing cute little uniforms, and tumbling halfway across the football field may look pointless, but it does the job. "There's no feeling quite like knowing you were part of a team victory," said Sarah Weghorst, a sophomore.

This was the first year

freshmen have had the opportunity to help the sophomores on the field during games. "Cheering with the freshmen was great," Sarah Schwamberger said. "We became closer friends as the season progressed." To round out the squad's camp accomplishments at Marshall University, Tonya Conn was named an All-Star cheerleader and had the opportunity to perform in England.

And though the role of cheerleaders may still be slightly unclear, their worth is evident as they start the familiar chain reaction that most often leads to victory.



Reserve Squad

Row 1: Nikki Rase, Traci Warner. Row 2: Leslie Kelley, Sarah Schwamberger, Sarah Weghorst. Row 3: Kim Piatt, Meredith Carmon, Becky Barnett, Keri Ann Delph. Not Pictured: Jessica Parsley.



Sophomore Meredith Carmon dances to the fight song during a pap rally.

Varsity Football

It's Time to Go Crazy or Go Home

"Coach, what would you do if we won the rest of our games?...I don't know, boys. I guess I'd do anything...Would you let us shave your head?...I guess I would."

Head Coach Larry Hall, in his first year at the helm, didn't know he would soon eat his words, holding true to them before the Portsmouth game as the senior players one by one wreaked havoc on his hair. Simultaneously, the cheerleaders played "Back in Black" while cheers rose from the bleachers.

Certainly the most crazy game was the shut out against PHS at home. Each player had a game that stuck out in his mind - but, believe it or not, sophomore Jonathan Eaton remembers Columbus Academy. "It was a welcoming to varsity football," he commented wryly. But the 28-0 loss must have been a lesson welllearned. Eaton's game picked up as early as Greenup Co., as the team proved they could win

against larger schools. Also, The Pirates walked on Huntington East, ranked #1 in the A.P. poll, holding the Huntsmen to only 7 points.

One cannot mention Barnesville, however, without mentioning snow. The white stuff proved to be the deciding factor as it handicapped our quick and agile offense. Chad May imagined a game without the snow. "Everyone knows it would have turned out differently; I don't think that team could have played with us on any other day...but no excuses — we got beat."

Despite two major losses, no one could deny that something had jelled in the young, somewhat inexperienced Pirates. So why did the team work? A starting sophomore QB, a senior leader, a junior powerhouse? Whatever the catalyst was, it worked as the Pirates finished 9-2. Maybe the formula was being crazy — because if you're not crazy, it's time to go home.



Success

Football has been a dominant varsity sport for WHS since its beginning. We have seen many great things throughout the years under the direction of some of the greatest coaches in the county.

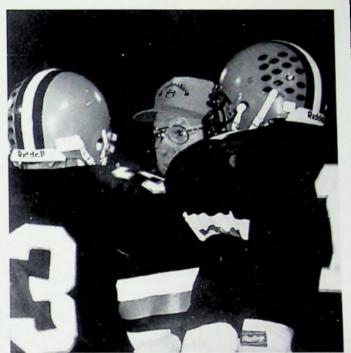
Under the previous leadership of Ed Miller, the football team evolved into somewhat of a legend. He coached the Pirates to an unforgetable State Championship in 1989. The first team to make the play-offs was back in the 70's. Of course, they were under Coach Miller.

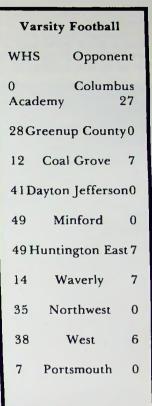
Many high school play have gone on to play coll ball, one even professio football. Dave Pyles, v graduated in 1978, had outstanding high school reer. He went on to play fessional football, but he er forgot what he learne high school. He credits success (and the success of football team) to the coaci staff. "I admire Coach M the most. He taught us to : er quit and to always do best. He taught us to I self-pride."





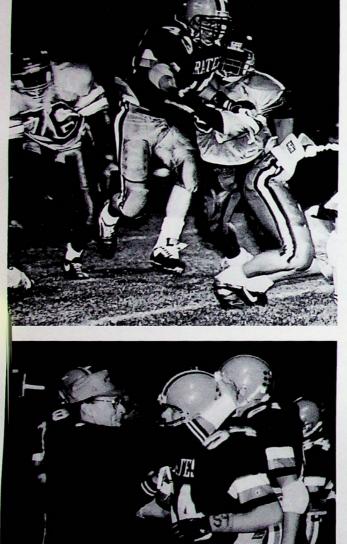
Chad Hawes plunges forward for yardage as Chad May downs a Pirate intruder. Head Coach Hall intensely goes over the next play against the rival Portsmouth Trojans.







John Nichols continues to get crazy on the sidelines despite a knee injury he suffered in a preseason scrimmage. "Johnny H" was back in gridiron action by the Portsmouth game, when he got crazy on the field. Row 1: John Nichols, Russ Johnson, Mark Spriggs, Chad Hawes, Rob Willard, Ben Gill, Chad May, Brandon Arthur, Chris Carter. Row 2: Justin Hawes, Casey Parker, Brian Payton, Jarod Vanderhoof, Josh Morrison, Jeremy Hughes, Chris Lewis, Chad Wolfe, Nathan Brammer, Keith Lawson. Row 3: Andy Blankenship, Jason Johnson, Ryan Blair, Thad Gulley, Ben Blankenship, Miles Cook, Kelly Conley, Tyson King, Garrick Schomburg, Robbie York, Josh Sheperd. Row 4: Joe Carver, John Thacker, Coby Long, Jeff Blankenship, Jon Eaton, Rex Pyles, Mack Wolfenbarker, Jason Russell, Adam Shepherd, Steve Taylor, Geoff Thacker, Jed Middaugh. Row 5: Head Coach Larry Hall, Coach Walt Brown, Coach Mike Schomburg, Jim Gill, Mgr. Ryan Lawson, Mgr. Jason Hughes, Mgr. Jeremy Goodwin, Mgr. Mike Langley.



"I'm too crazy to be stopped!, says senior captain Chad May as he thrusts a Dayton Jefferson defender aside. The Pirates did get a little insane on the field, holding Jefferson to 0 points.

Head Coach Larry Hall shows excitement and dedication as he congratulates Ben Blankenship on yet another astounding defensive play.

Blood surges through Pirate veins as the offense prepares to rake up more yardage against Jefferson Dayton.







Handing off into a blur of threedigit jerseys, quarterback Jonathan Eaton gives the ball to Thad Gulley (#33) as Ben Gill (#3) prepares to block. Battling snow and a Barnesville defender, Mark Spriggs punts in what would be his last high school football game. Both foes overcame the Pirates as the Shamrocks contrived a heartbreaking 10-7 victory.

Regaining his balance, Ben Gill prepares himself for yards, defenders, and touchdowns. The leading mover and shaker on the team, Gill accumulated over 1,107 offensive total yards.









Junior Jason Johnson plows down the field at the Greenup County game. Our shutout victory over the Musketeers lent experience to younger players like Jason. Seniors Mark Spriggs, Ben Gill, Rob Willard, Chad May, Chad Hawes.



Justin Hawes psychs out the Hornets with a Pirate fake. The 5'7" junior defensive standout was a surprise defensive powerhouse often taking on two or three players at a time.

Varsity Volleyball

Opponent	Scores
Western 15-	0 19 15 6 15
	8,13-15,6-15
,	13,8-15,15-4
	15,15-9,9-15
Waveryl 8-1! Oak Hill	5,15-7,15-11
	15-9,15-3
Northwest	15-3,15-6
South Webste	
Jackson	11-15,6-15
West	15-13,15-3
,	5,15-7,13-15
Minford	8-15,6-15
Waverly 1	5-13,11-15,
15-13	
Oak Hill 12-15	,15-10,15-8
Clay	15-12,15-8
Northwest	11-15,12-15
Piketon	15-8,15-3
South Webster	15-6,13-
15,15-13	
West	15-7,15-3
Eastern 12-15	,15-10,7-15
Unioto	16-14,15-3
Sectional Tour	nament
South Webster	15-2,15-4
District Tourna	ament
Eastern 1	4-16,16-18

Reserve Volleyball

Opponen	t Scores
Western	4-15,15-9,6-15
Valley	12-15,6-15
Minford	6-15,8-15
Waverly	6-15,11-15
Oak Hill	15-1,4-15,13-15
Northwes	t 15-2,15-4
South We	bster 15-6,15-5
Jackson	7-15,9-15
West	15-6,15-10
Valley	7-15,1-15
Minford	5-15,15-6,8-15
Waverly	13-15,0-15
Oak Hill 1	0-15,15-13,2-15
Clay 1	4-16,15-6,13-15
Northwest	9-15,4-15
Piketon	15-12,15-9
	oster 15-12,15-6
	5-6,13-15,14-16

Angie Shepard and April Kegley concentrate on receiving the serve.

Rachelle Mowery tips the ball over the net against West for the score while Christina McClure anticipates the return.





Varsity Squad Row 1: T. Pappas, T. Nolen, R. Mowery, A. Shepard, C. Mc-Clure, B. Spriggs, K. Brown. Row 2: Head Coach Białkowski, A. Bentley, B. Barnett, A. Kegley, B. Brow, C. Chapman, Coach Kegley.

April Kegley covers Christina McClure as she spikes the ball through the hands of a West defender.









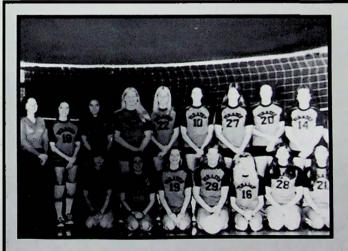
Whatever It Takes

Volleyball faces today's foes with traditional confidence

Volleyball has come a long way since the first 5-3 record of 1976, but longer and even tougher schedules have strengthened our girls. The emotional exhaustion of the encounters with Minford and Eastern were these testing challenges whose memories cannot be easily erased. "Minford." said senior Amy Bentley, "Minford was the worst." "Lee Ann Shoemaker's (from Minford) spikes were hard since she was a lefty," said April Kegley. "But we had to overcome the frustration and just play." Playing seemed to be what it took for the rest of the season - playing and forgetting the record,

the opponents, and the pain.

For Amy Burleson, who set the reserve kill record. spiking at the other team made it all worthwhile. "When you hit a spike, you get this natural high that carries you all the way through the game," she said, adding, "Sure it was hard, but we did whatever it took to be the best." Coach Carol Bialkowski agreed. "I think if we had beaten Eastern at the trimatch, it would have carried us past them again at districts." Whatever it took - tradition, confidence, spiking ability, or outright pain - our girls were willing.



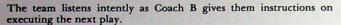
Row 1: Jenny Barber, Nancy Parkes, Beth Peery, Kim Haller, Cindy Sanford, Debbie Steele, Pam Howell. Row 2: Coach Sharon McCall, Debbie Behrer, Tammie Bailey, Carol Boll, Karen Henry, Melanie Bowen, Becky Lewis, Diana Bowen, Donna Griffith, Paula Jorden, Sharon Roth.

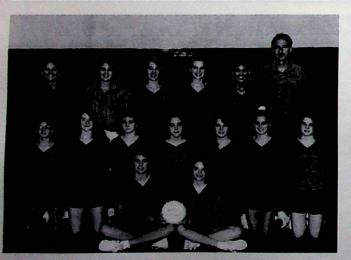
The Spirit of '76

In 1976, a pioneering group of girls pounded out a 5-3 season, the first time any students from WHS had competed in organized volleyball. The coach was Sharon McCall; the players were all rookies. Between the season of '75 and '92, much has changed. Numerous players have gone All-SOC and All-District. After the district in 1989, Kerry Cremeans was named to the 3rd team All-State, the first person from WHS to compete at this level.

Though the girls were successful under the leadership of Coach Jackie Moore, Miss B is now the heartbeat. Since she took over the driver's seat of the program, the sectional championship has belonged to the Burg every year.



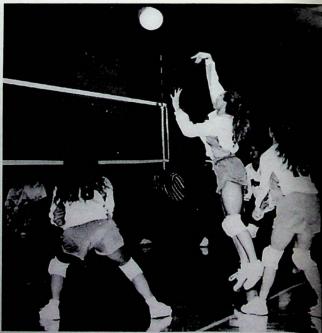




Reserve Squad Row 1: A. Burleson, H. Deal. Row 2: T. Hughes, M. Vanderhoof, K. Gannon, J. Allwood, C. Brow, S. Schwamberger, L. Mullins. Row 3: Head Coach Bialkowski, H. Miller, A. Crabtree, M. Carmon, A. Duty, Coach Kegley.

The team gets into return position as they watch Angie Shepard's spike hit its target.









Becky Brow soars through the air as she spikes the ball past the hands of two West defenders.

Managers

Row 1: Sharli Crisp, Becki Johnson, Kelsie Goodman. Row 2: Emily Walker, Cara Fannin, Amy Sutton, Lisa Horton.





Colleen Chapman watches the ball as she hopes to serve up an ace.

Seniors

Row 1: Rachelle Mowery, Tiffany Nolen, Amy Bentley. Row 2: Angie Shepard, Becky Brow, Christina McClure. Row 3: Kim Brown, Cara Fannin, Betty Spriggs.

Becky Barnett jumps up to the ball as she prepares to pound the West opponents with a powerful kill.



Talent Takes Over Stars Burn Up The Court

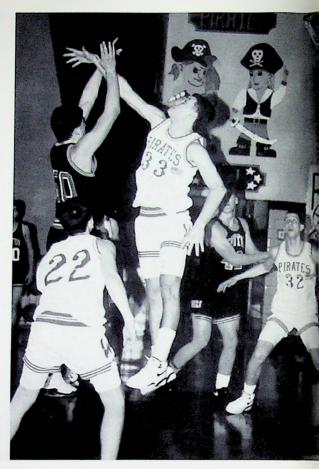
The freshmen and reserve basketball teams had their share of tough moments. And their share of victorious ones - but the hardest part of all those Kodak/"Look Ma, I made a basket!" moments boiled down to one stark reality. They were expected to play second fiddle. Besides winning games, these basketball teams were often faced with the rather un-glorifying, sometimes mundane task of drawing and firing up crowds and players for the ensuing varsity games. But who cares? They can still play ball.

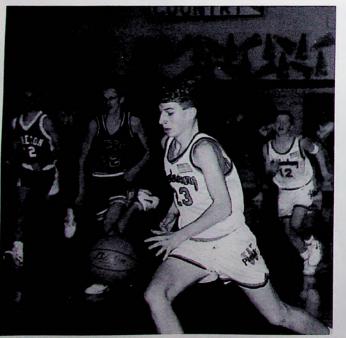
"It was basically a good season," said sophomore Nathan Chamberlin. "We lost two games we should have won — we lost to Northwest twice, and we should have won both times. It's gonna take more of a team effort to beat them in varsity. We don't need so much individual play." One of the main challenges the reserve team had to contend with was learning to work as a team. Though the star players of the team were capable of carrying them to many victories, the strong defensive line of the Pirates didn't come into its own until halfway through the season.

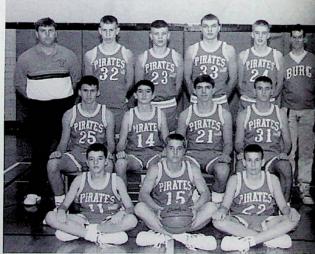
"I played six games with the reserves," commented talented freshman Brian Montgomery. "It felt pretty good; I was excited and sort of nervous on the bus rides to the game. I hoped I wouldn't mess up anything." Brian, who helped rebound and racked up several points, looked to the future. "The experience will help me — I'll know what to look for."

Brian Montgomery tries to block the ball while Chris Flannery and Micah Arthur get into position for the rebound.

Matt Schwamburger fast breaks the ball down the court against Piketon for two points.



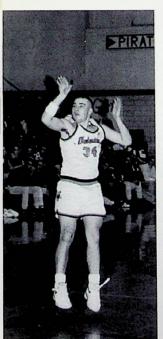




Freshman Squad

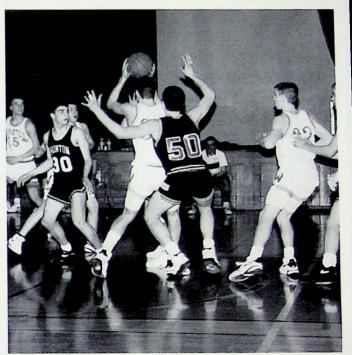
Row 1: Andy Heimbach, Jimmy Miller, Chris Flannery. Row 2: Emnett, Jason Hughes, Kevin Bauer, Phil Lodwick. Row 3: Co Ken Massie, Micah Arthur, T.J. Wolfenbarker, Brian Montgom Wesley Shope, James Bays, Mgr.





Reserve player, Jed Middaugh, skillfully dribbles around the top of the key to set the play.

Brian Montgomery seeks out a teammate to pass to as Ironton tries to steal the pass.





Paul Wagner successfully shoots from the three-point line before a packed gymnasium.

45 Ironton 55 Minford 33 46 Waverly 63 48 Portsmouth 34 42 28 Northwest 32

Opponent

Freshman Basketball

WHS

37
41
40
60
52
36
55
34
42
58
61

Reserve Basketball

WHS	Oppor	Opponent	
73	Valley	45	
50	Minford	51	
57	Waverly	55	
58	Fairland	35	
33	Northwest	39	
55	Unioto	46	
52	Ironton	54	
63	South Webster	34	
58	Oak Hill	49	
60	West	29	
46	Piketon	36	
62	Valley	30	
43	Minford	55	
68	Waverly	52	
48	Oak Hill	27	
39	Northwest	42	
49	Fairland	32	
53	South Webster	32	
60	Gallipolis	42	
65	West	39	

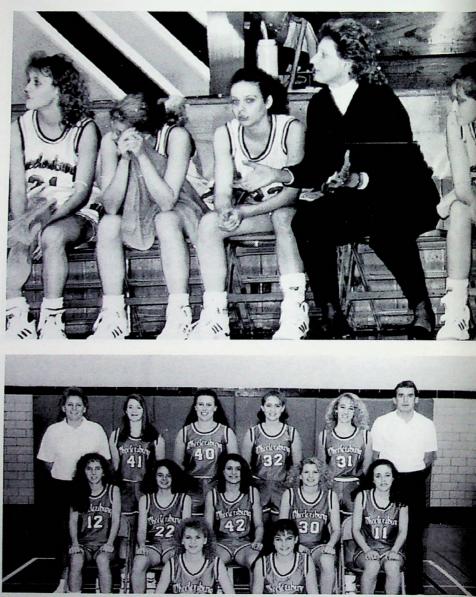
Reserve Squad

Coach Mike Schomburg, Aaron Schmidt, Jed Middaugh, Heath Frazier, Matt Schwamburger, Aaron Adams, Rex Pyles, Andrew Myers, John Thacker, Paul Wagner, Andy Blankenship, Nathan Chamberlin.

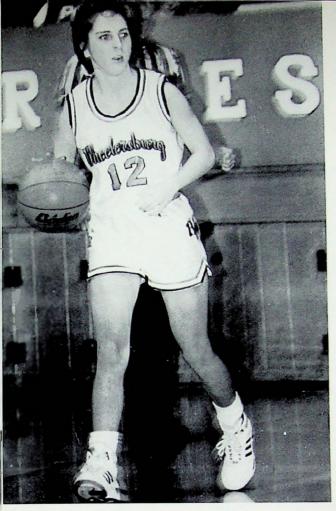
Reserve Girls Basketball			
W	WHS Opponent		
26	West	30	
30	Valley	24	
18	Minford	35	
42	Waverly	33	
30	Oak Hill	20	
18	Northwest	20	
24	Rock Hill	23	
36 5	South Webste	r 28	
30	Piketon	23	
30	West	32	
28	Valley	25	
34	Fairland	20	
39	Minford	33	
37	Waverly	34	
20	Oak Hill	12	
26	Northwest	31	
31	Fairland	18	

Coach Bialkowski demonstrates the frustration of the call in a close home game.

Tiffany Morrison brings the downcourt while setting of called play.



Reserve Girls Basketball Row 1: Kristina Gannon, Cindy Mullins. Row 2: Tiffany Morrison, Heather D Jessica Edwards, Shannon Rose, Jane Allwood. Row 3: Coach Carol Bialkow Mindy Vanderhoof, Amanda See, Heather Miller, Amy Crabtree, Coach M Schmidt.



Reserve Team

Turning Toward Victory

"When we beat Minford they were undefeated; I will never forget that...it was so exciting," said Cindy Mullins, summing up the whole team's attitude toward the almost unbelievable defeat of the Minford reserve girls basketball team.

Shannon Rose, a rookie to high school ball, agreed that the victory was exceptional, but the price was paid in practice. "It's more of a challenge more is demanded of you and it takes more time. But it is well worth everything you put into it." The record of 12-5, the best ever for a Wheelersburg reserve team, made the attitude and awesome defensive ability of the team even more evident. Coach Bialkowski commented, "All the games were close in the losses except one. We came back in three games to win when we were down by ten points."

The team's selfproclaimed secret weapon, Jane Allwood, summed up the season by saying "It was really fun but a lot of hard work because at this level of basketball, slacking just won't get you victories."





Tiffany shoots the ball, scoring two points for the Lady Pirates.

Amanda See looks for a teammate to inbound the ball against Waverly's defense.

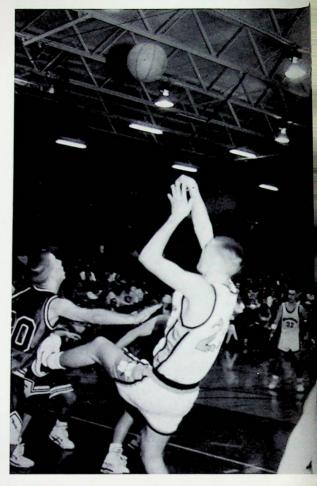
Divided Down the Middle

Boys basketball recovers from dissension and looks to future

It had been a rocky, curvy road - the road to a successful basketball season. The road to Oak Hill had also been a treacherous one on January 9, 1993, the fateful night that was to affect basketball at WHS until the last boys' game in the sectional tournament. After an argument with the Oak Hill coach, a senior guard was temporarily suspended from the team, an action that caused him to switch schools and spurred a series of events that put extra strain on a WHS ball team already battling for a winning season.

The resilient Pirates quickly bounced back, however, recovering from the loss with wins over Piketon, Valley, Minford, and Waverly and a close SOC loss to Oak Hill at home. At the season's end, however, the Pirates found themsevles in the highly-publicized sectional finals contest against Portsmouth East. Unfortunately, however, the Pirates came up short in an emotional loss that was intense for both the players and the fans. "The defeat was upsetting," said junior Casey Parker, "not only because I wanted to beat that team, but because I wanted to advance."

With it all said and done, the Pirates almost broke even with 10 wins and 12 losses on the scoreboard. Although a winning season eluded the team this year, the young Pirates, who boasted having as many sophomores as seniors on the team, are optimistic. "Next year, we'll have a strong team with a lot of good shooters," projected junior jumper Miles Cook, who also emphasized that this season also had some real highs that made it all worthwhile. "There were a lot of guys on the team who worked hard but had fun," said Cook. "We had some bad times, but all in all, it was a pretty good year."



Final Four

In the fall of 1988, the road to the state tournament was paved with many tense and exciting moments. In the regional final, the Pirates made a fabulous second-half comeback to overturn a 32-29 deficit to beat Chesapeake. With the scoreboard showing 30 seconds left, the Burg's lead was reduced to 54-51. But with 22 seconds remaining, Dusty Spradlin nailed two freebies to secure the win and the trip to OSU.

The Pirates made their third trip to the state tourney in the past seven years and there dropped a hearbreaking double overtime semifinal game to North College Hill. At halftime with the Burg down 43-26 the arena emptied considerabley, but Pirate fans didn't go anywhere; we knew better. In the second overtime, with a blocked jumper the Burg had the ball out of bounds with five seconds left. A Trojan stole the ball and the ballgame.

The '88 team consisted of: Bryan Doerr, Rob Howe, Jon Exman, Kurt McGraw, Bill Hamilton, Chris Risner, Mark Miller, Mike Kitts, Charlie Vaughn, Dusty Spradlin, Matt Miller, John Stamper, Jon Collins, and Adam Bihl with Head Coach Mike Lovenguth. Pushed off-balance, Aaron Adams attempts a shot against a Piketon opponent.



Sophomore Paul Wagner looks for a teammate for the pass inside.

Chad May uses a behind the back pass to get the ball to Ben Gill.



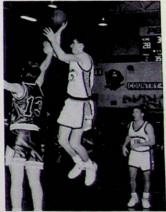
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Varsity Basketball		
WH	IS Oppon	ent
61	Valley	70
85	Minford	44
60	Waverly	64
71	Fairland	70
60	Northwest	67
63	Southeastern	57
56	Ironton	81
61	South Webster	· 66
76	Oak Hill	79
57	West	84
63	Piketon	48
64	Valley	48
68	Minford	47
62	Waverly	57
60	Oak Hill	70
69	Northwest	59
76	Fairland	47
44	South Webste	т 59
60	Gallipolis	71
73	West	83
	Sectional	
	Tournament	
67	Coal Grove	36
55	East	66



bnathan Eaton shows good form 5 he makes a three-point shot uring the homecoming game.



Row 1: Micah Bond, Jason Johnson, Bill Ridenour, Jeremy Goodwin. Row 2: Ryan Lawson, Nathan Chamberlain, Ben Gill, Chad May, Chris Carter, Casey Parker, Thad Gulley, Mike Langley. Row 3: Head Coach Mike Lovenguth, Asst. Coach Jack Branon, Paul Wagner, Aaron Adams, Andrew Myers, Josh Morrison, Miles Cook, Jonathan Eaton, Asst. Coach Ken Massie, Asst. Coach Mike Schomburg.



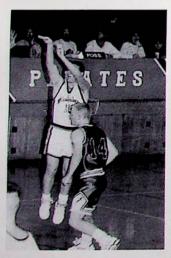
Chad May looks on as Miles Cook goes high in the air for the score against Piketon.

During an opponent's timeout, Coaches Lovenguth and Branon discuss their next strategy while walking off the court.

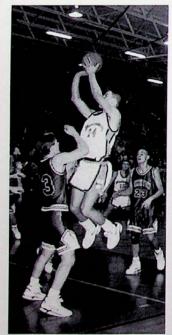
Jonathan Eaton and Ben Gill look on as Piketon players attempt to stop Josh Morrison from scoring.

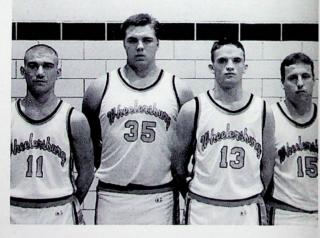






Chad May makes a three-point shot during the homecoming game.





During the homecoming game, sophomore Jonathan Eaton scores for the Pirates.

Seniors Chris Carter, Josh Mo son, Ben Gill, Chad M-



bound.

A Piketon opponent attempts to block a shot made by Aaron Ad-

ams.

Jonathan Eaton pushes the ball into the basket as Casey Parker

and Aaron Adams prepare to re-

Chad May looks for a teammate and an open pass.







Jonathan tries to pass the ball to Miles Cook through two Piketon defenders. Seniors Ben Gill and Chad May play pressure defense as their opponent tries to move the ball downcourt.



Casey Parker dribbles around a Piketon opponent during the homecoming game.

Lady Pirates Basketball				
WF	IS Oppor	Opponent		
95	West	45		
74	Valley	66		
64	Minford	91		
66	Waverly	72		
63	Oak Hill	30		
59	Green	42		
72	Northwest	54		
48	Rock Hill	42		
45	South Webster	28		
65	Piketon	47		
78	West	33		
66	Valley	62		
83	Fairland	58		
72	Minford 65 (O	. T .)		
65	Green	51		
66	Waverly	52		
62	Oak Hill	33		
74	Northwest	48		
73	Fairland	62		
62	South Webster	39		
Sectional Tournament				
37	South Webster	28		
District Tournament				
63	Lynchburg-Clay			
77	Eastern 71 (2 O.			
Regional Tournament				
48 5	Southeastern-Ross	59		

Amy Burleson and Amanda Mauk hold their breath as Christina McClure makes a foul shot to give the Pirates the lead. The varsity basketball team proudly show who really is "#1" after winning the District Championship in Waverly.







An OHSAA representative congratulates Becky Brow after the Lady Pirates won the District Championship.

At right, Amy Burleson jumps high against Waverly for possession at the game tip-off.



Lady Pirates

Row 1: Angie Shepard, Erin Hayden, Christina McClure, Becky Brow. Row 2: Amanda See, Colleen Chapman, Becki Johnson, Amanda Mauk, April Kegley. Row 3: Head Coach Mike Schmidt, Amy Hughes, Amy Burleson, Cindy Mullins, Assistant Coach Carol Bialkowski.





Over 1,000 Pts.

She has reason to brag. But she doesn't. Despite the fact that she was named MVP of the WHS girls basketball team three years straight, scored 1,223 points throughout her high school career, played on the 1st Team All-Ohio, and was a major reason for the number four ranking in the state for the team as a whole, she's humble - and playing for the University of Florida. "College ball is more physical - I was looking for the challenge of the S.E.C. I knew it was more physical, faster, and more aggressive since we play against top players in the country."

Kerry, who was able to attend this year's game at the regionals commented, "It was very exciting - as it was their first year at regionals, I'm proud too. My junior and senior years ('89 and '90) were building years - they have carried it since." Kerry adapted to the Florida mode and doesn't have any bad feelings about not being center stage at WHS anymore. "I don't feel replaced," she said. "I accomplished all I wanted to in high school... it was time to move on."

Savor the Moment

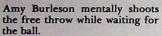
Lady Pirates enjoy a District Championship

For sophomore Amy Hughes, it was "Great. A great feeling." Amy Burleson saw it as "hard work that paid off in the end." But for senior girls basketball team captain Christina McClure, the highlight of beating the virtually-unstoppable Eastern Eagles was walking off the court and seeing usually-stoic Coach Schmidt's glowing face. "It was a thrill to have played at their level." Christina said of the Lady Pirates' win which brought a District Championship title along with it. "We beat them in a good, hard match."

In their views of the game, each girl couldn't have been more right. For both spectators and team members, the thrill of the victory plus the excitement of the heartwrenching, doubleovertime contest was a big payoff. However, behind the scenes, the girls dealt with team division and media hype as they prepared to take on Eastern's Marlene Stollings, Ohio's Miss Basketball for 1993. "The whole team pulled together," remarked Captain McClure. "They were very unselfish — that's why we went so far."

She wasn't kidding, either. Team togetherness pushed the Lady Pirates into the Regional Semi-Finals as the first Wheelersburg girls team to reach those heights. However, as community and media pressure increased, unity disintegrated. "We listened to everyone else and didn't pull together as a team," said Amy Hughes, whose dynamic pairing with fellow sophomore Amy Burleson gathered much attention throughout the year. These factors took their toll as the girls dropped the semifinal game to Southeastern Ross. "It was disappointing, but it makes us look forward to next year," assured Burleson. But with a District Championship and four returning starters, this team does have a bright future. And a lot to savor.









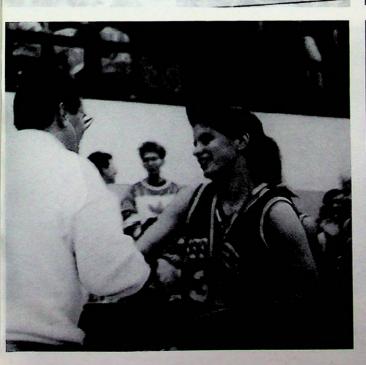
Becki Johnson shoots for two from the baseline.



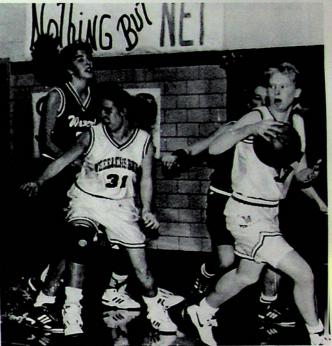
The varsity girls and audience listen as Captain Christina Mc-Clure speaks at the pep rally held before their game against Eastern. In a sea of black, Amanda Mauk pulls up for two against the Waverly Tigers.



The Lady Pirates take the inside position to block out and grab the rebound under Waverly's bar



Christina attempts to score for the Pirates as the Eastern Eagles try to block her shot. Amy Hughes looks for a teammate as April Kegley keeps a Waverly opponent from getting to the ball.





Christina McClure accepts her medal and congratulations after winning the District Championship.

Seniors Christina McClure, Becky Brow, Angie Shepard, and Erin Hayden celebrate winning the District Championship.

Old Feelings, New Horizons Squads take good with the bad

It was an extraordinary Christmas vacation. For Tonya Conn, the winter break was extra special: it involved cheering in London, England as a Universal Cheerleaders Association All-Star Cheerleader. Selected as an All-Star at summer camp, Tonya traveled to England for a whirlwind tour of the British Isle and a performance in London's Lord Mayor of Westminister's New Year's Day Parade. "I was really excited about the newness of going to London," Tonya remarked. "I met new people and represented my school - that was exciting." Meanwhile, back at the homestead, the varsity cheerleaders were gearing up for the McDonald's Holiday Classic Tournament in Chillicothe. After performing two cheers and two dance segments at halftime, WHS cheerleaders were chosen as victors over the cheerleaders from Southeastern

Ross. The players, too, won a morale-boosting contest over Southeastern, a win which helped carry both the players and cheerleaders through the challenging season midpoint.

In time, however, things slowed down as the cheerleaders stood by the team through a rocky regular season. As the tournament approached, sadness set in for the five senior cheerleaders who had been on the sidelines together since their freshman year. "It had been a more difficult season than what Wheelersburg is used to," said senior Crissy Rock. "But I'll always remember cheerleading fondly - we've cheered for these boys since seventh grade, and saying good-bye to it all will be a hard thing." With the dif-ficulty of leaving, good memories and experiences will soften the sadness.

Seniors

Crissy Rock, Tiffany Nolen, Lori Cole, Angie Horton, Ange Fannin

The reserve cheerleaders = at the completion of a F cheer.







Sarah Schwamberger dances to the music of the WHS band during a pep rally.



Reserve Cheerleaders

Row 1: Jessica Parsley, Keri Ann Delph, Traci Warner, Kim Piatt, Nikki Rase. Row Meredith Carmon, Becky Barnett. Row 3: Sarah Schwamberger, Leslie Kelly, Sar Weghorst.

Echoes of Excellence

Since 1946, the WHS cheerleaders have stood beside and cheered our Pirate men to victory after victory after victory. They have won numberous awards and praise, but the varsity squad of '85 had an opportunity that surpasses all the others: to compete in the nationals in Dallas, Texas, with scores of other talented squads. Although first place eluded them, they finished in a re-

spectable 16th place. Members of the '85 squad were: Christi Gleim, Christine Williams, Lisa Fenbert, Julie Blackburn, Michelle Piguet, Bobbi Carver, Lisa Spriggs, Kim McCoy, Rhonda Miller, and Lora Jarvis.

They say history always repeats itself certainly so with the squads of WHS cheerleaders over the years. And our tradition? Nothing less than excellence.

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The varsity and reserve cheerleaders get the crowd going during a time-out at the homecoming game.

Leslie Kelly and Keri Ann Delph do a floor cheer during a basketball pep rally.





Sharing four years together cheering builds friendships as evidenced by Angie Horton and Lori Cole.

Varsity Cheerleaders Row 1: Lana Spriggs, Sharli Crisp, Tonya Conn, Crissy Rock. Row 2: Natalie Millhuff, Lori Cole, Ange Fannin, Tiffany Nolen. Row 3: Mandy Yeley, Angie Horton.



Pure Craziness

Softball gets a new attitude

Most teams wouldn't call 1993 a dream season ("If you build it, they will come.") for the Wheelersburg softball team. Most wouldn't even call it average, but who said anything about the record? We didn't. Despite a not-so-fantastic showing on the scoreboard, attitude prevailed as WHS made the effort to turn every loss into a learning experience and to keep one fact straight: We will have fun!

Though during some especially tough games humor was hard to come by, one game stood out as the happiest let-down of the season, mainly because of some off-the-field uniform tricks from the starters. "It was pure craziness," said sophomore first baseman Amy Burleson. "I turned my socks down and put my hat on backwards and everything. We were just ... crazy!"

Lisa Horton, the main starting pitcher for the Lady Pirates, took a more philosophical approach. "I think it was a way to get past the record." Lisa, like many other players, saw the benefits of the '93 season as she looked to the future. "Even though we didn't win all of our games, what we learned will help all of us in the future. I got a lot out of it."

And since the softball team was comprised mainly of hardthrowing underclassmen, experience will soon step in where talent begins.



Together Since 5

Even though the '86 softball team, WHS's first, had played together since they were five, tee-ball included, high school competition was new to them. Under the leadership of Coach Ken Massie, 19 girls made history. "Even though we were good, the record didn't show it," laughed '89 graduate Amy McLaughlin. "They called us the Harlem Globetrotters of softball."

But by Amy's senior year, much had changed. "We learned a lot, and we became more organized. There was more technique, I guess, and with technique, we became even better than we were at first."



Row 1: Dena Austin, Jodi Lyles, Chris Gillespie, Sarah McQuay Rhonda Miller, Jamie Mougey, Lisa Spriggs. Row 2: Julie Lyles Kathy Bell, Becky Southworth, Kelly Kinker, Joanie Burchett, Kin May. Row 3: Coach Massie, Tracy Hamilton, Lisa Adams, Kristim Gerlach, Crystal Gleim, Amy McLaughlin, Missy Williams.

Lisa Horton winds up before the pitch during pre-game practice.



Tiffany Morrison practices between innings as she is brought in as the relief pitcher. Natalie Millhuff waits on the throw to third base to stop the Waverly opponent's attempt to steal.



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Softball



Against the Waverly Tigers, Becky Brow looks for the steal as she catches the ball at home.





Senior Lori Cole

Softball

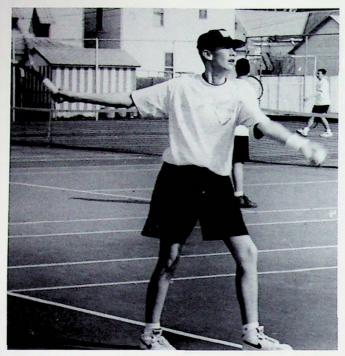
Row 1: Sharli Crisp, Natalie Millhuff, Lori Cole, Becki Johnson, Colleen Chapman. Row 2: Heather Miller, Michelle Evans, Amy Burleson, Christina Gannon, Lisa Horton, Dawn Switalski. Row 3: Coach Mike Schomburg, Leslie Kelley, Keri Ann Delph, Monica Ruggles, Chasity Crisp, Tiffany Morrison, Tiffani Hughes.

Tennis

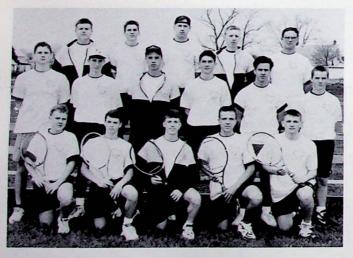
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5-0	New Boston
5-0	Valley
1-4	Waverly
4-1	West
2-3	Portsmouth
2-3	Minford
5-0	Clay
0-5	East
3-2	Valley
5-0	New Boston
2-3	Waverly
4-1	West

Preparing to slice a serve to his opponent, freshman Jason Hughes concentrates on his form on the Mound Park courts. "Are you ever going to serve that ball?" asks Sean Frazier of his doubles partner. Frazier made his debut on this year's team and regularly helped out in doubles play.

Number-one singles playe Jarodd Lawson, gets a little craby wearing a bandana to case th tension and also beat the sweat.







Tennis

Row 1: Josh Bryan, Danny Glenn, Kenton Lawson, Regan Miller, Joey Wheeler. Row 2: Nathan Kennard, Matt Schwamburger, Jarodd Lawson, Jason Hughes, Sean Frazier, Nathan Starcher. Row 3: Todd Johnson, Shane Cheeks, Jeff Blankenship, Dan Rase, Ryan Burleson.



Nathan Kennard pops a powerful forehand at his Portsmouth opponent. The Pirates lost the match 2-3, however.

Prepping to put a vicious spin o his serve, junior Regan Milk strives to fulfill his responsib ities as our #2 singles player.





Serving For The Score

Pirate termin trates success

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Nathan returns a serve to the corner of the Mound Park court with a strong two-handed backhand against PHS.

Slide to Survive

Pirate baseball faces challenges

The rain didn't help matters any. Despite the losses of several valuable seniors from 1992, including OSU rookie Chris Ellis, determined underclassmen followed the example set for them by the veterans and made the 1993 Pirate baseball season worthwhile. Even though the field was pounded almost weekly with torrential rains that rendered it unusable, practice continued. A memorable number of tough victories trailed behind the Pirates - a 22-16 win over Valley, a 12-0 New Boston shutout, and a doubleheader sweep over Piketon, 11-0 and 5-1.

But even with a team batting average of .313, errors at the wrong time often cost the Pirates the victory. "We scored some runs but weren't able to stop the other team. When we had good pitching and good defense, we were able to win. It just didn't happen enough," commented Coach Jack Branon. "In our tournament game against Coal Grove, we played with intensity. Unfortunately, they lost it, but it wasn't for lack of effort."

Despite a less-than-perfect ERA of over 6.00 and an average of 3 errors per game, the future of Pirate baseball looks promising because of the young talent ready to move into starting positions. "We have a number of starters back," continued Coach Branon. "We also have some young pitchers and infielders coming up. Hitting will be stronger, and we'll work awfully hard improving pitching and infield defense. We hope to do a better job as a team."

Senior pitcher, John Nichols, fires a fast ball for the strike.



League Champs

The 1972 Pirate baseball team, coached by Gary Heimbach, captured the SOC title. The team ended their season with a record of 17-3. Coach Heimbach later went on to become the Principal of Wheelersburg Junior High School.

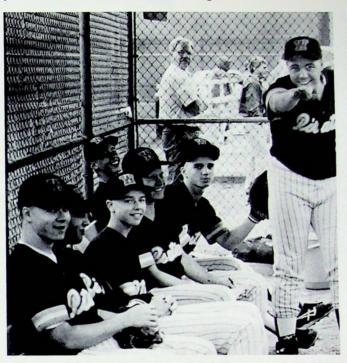
Jack Branon started his career as head baseball coach at WHS in '82. Since then, two league championships ('83 and '92) have gone to the Pirates, and numerous players have gone on to play college ball. Coached by Jack Branon, the 1991 baseball team ended with a record of 17-9 and completed one of the most successful seasons in the two decades since 1972. The Pirates also batted their way to win the Sectional Championship title.



Row 1: M. Adams, Mgr.; B. Adams, D. Bussa, J. Burnside, L. M. C. Shuff, J. Cooper, M. Maggard, Mgr. Row 2: A. Stepher Mgr.; R. Whisman, B. Morrison, D. Bennett, M. Rase Dearfield, R. Spaulding. Row 3: J. Otworth, Mgr.; F. Newma Webb, R. Day, K. McGraw, W. Bentley, Coach Heimbach.



"Ouch!" Brad Hutchinson advances to first after being hit by a pitch. Josh Morrison immitates Coach Branon between innings inside the dugout.

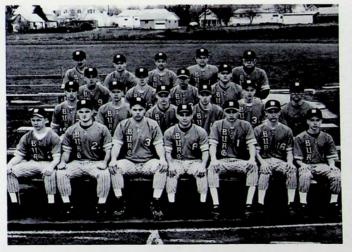


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7	Minford	6
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11	Piketon	0
5	Piketon	1
10	West	15
18	Oak Hill	14
2	Valley	5
9	South Point	17
5	Northwest	1
5	South Webster	9
14	New Boston	0
3	Minford	5
22	Valley	16
7	South Webster	• 9
4	Waverly	10
2	Waverly	16
4	Northwest	8
	Sectional	
	Tournament	
6	Coal Grove	7

Baseball



Despite the rain, Thad Gulley akes a firm stance in the batter's tox as he watches the pitch.



Row 1: Brad Hutchinson, Matt Conn, Josh Morrison, John Nichols, Brian Montgomery, Brian Hatfield, Andy Heimbach. Row 2: Adam Shepherd, Brandon Tangerman, Jed Middaugh, Jon Maynard, Wes Holbrook, James Bays, Mgr. Row 3: Tom Montavon, Andy Blankenship, Thad Gulley, Kelly Conley. Row 4: Coach Jack Branon, Jason Johnson, Ryan Mays, Garrick Schomburg, Asst. Coach Shay Myers.



Seniors Josh Morrison and John Nichols

Andy Heimbach gets the ball to first baseman Bryan Hatfield to beat the runner. Despite the downpour, Thad attempts to steal second against New Boston.





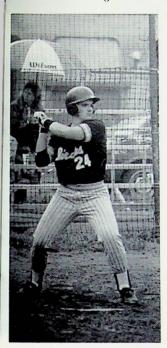
Down by two runs, Matt Conn picks up the bunt and tries for the out at first.

The Pirates congratulate John Nichols after knocking out a home run.





Matt Conn keeps his eye on the ball as it is fired through the rain.

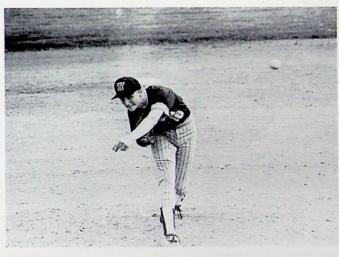




Brad Hutchinson hangs on to the ball for the third strike at home.

After the game, Coach Branon gives each of the players a pat on the back for a job well done.





Jason Johnson takes a big lead off first base as he watches the pitch to home.





Second baseman Ryan Mays follows through as he shoots the ball to first base for the out.

Starting pitcher against Waverly, sophomore Bryan Hatfield tries a fast ball for a strike.

Girls Track

Regular Season Meets 1st of 5 teams - WHS 1451/3. Russell 871/2. Northwest 62, Green 16, Oak Hill 16 (Home) 1st of 8 teams - WHS 144, Chesapeake 85, Warren 72, Northwest 59 (Chesapeake Invitational) 1st of 11 teams - WHS 831/2, Southeastern 81, Adena 64 (Southeastern Invitational) 1st of 8 teams - WHS 109, Russell 761/2 (Oak Hill Invitational) 1st of 4 teams - WHS 95. Waverly 791/2, Northwest 531/2, Green 12 (Northwest) 4th of 12 teams - Ironton 87, Russell 84, Minford 831/2, WHS 69 (Coal Grove Invitational 2nd of 9 teams - Minford 81, WHS 77, Southeastern 61 (Burg Invitational) 1st of 3 teams - WHS 77, Chesapeake 491/2, Fairland 371/2 (Chesapeake) 2nd of 7 teams - Minford 1351/2, WHS 1321/2, PHS 103 (Northwest Invitational)

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7th of 15 teams — Minford 72, Unioto 69¹/₂, Valley 69, Adena 54, PHS 52¹/₂, Southeastern 47, WHS 39 (Valley Invitational)

2nd of 4 teams — Minford 135, WHS 101, Waverly 81, Northwest 43 (SOC at Northwest-Large School Division, 3rd of 10 overall)

1st of 5 teams — WHS, Russell, PHS, Northwest, South Webster (Home) Tiffani Pappas and Jessica Parsley stride past South Webster's Dawn Tevis on the home stretch of the 800m run. Tiffani lunges to hand off to Andrea Cooper at the SOC track meet. The 3200m relay team consisted of Tiffani, Andrea, Jane Allwood, and Jessica Parsley.





Row 1: Coach Bialkowski, Kara Baker, April Kegley, Angie Shepard, Jennifer Clevenger, Asst. Coach Amy Spriggs. Row 2: Christina Hotchkin, Dana Gallaher, Lindsey Mullins, Heather Deal, Megan Riley, Beth Sisler, Lynnsay Leesburg. Row 3: Kelli Carver, DeAnna Collins, Mindy Vanderhoof, Charity Brown, Amanda Hotchkin, Amanda See, Jessica Parsley, Jane Allwood. Row 4: Kellie Childers, Rachelle Whitley, Emily Watts, Carrie Traylor, Christie Brow, Tiffani Pappas, Andrea Cooper. Row 5: Kelsie Goodman, KayCee Burns, Amanda Mauk, Meredith Carmon, Becky Barnett, Emily Walker.





Coach Carol "B" Bialkow works at arranging heats dur the boys invitational.



U Go Girlz

Girls track takes pain to new heights, speeds, and distances

"I love pain; pain loves me We're a happy track family With a great big leap and a baton from me to you Won't you say you love pain too?"

With some help from Barney and Friends, this year's girls track team quickly adopted this as their theme song during one of many slow moments at the Valley Invitational. Track, certainly one of the most painful and exhausting sports at WHS, gets its victims in consistently good shape despite the urge to slack. However, slacking isn't much of a problem for some people. "The harder you practice, the better you get," said lone senior Angie Shepard. "NOT but I guess. I don't care about any competitors but my time." Angie carried the mile relay squad to victory in more meets than one with her anchor leg.

For sophomore Becky Barnett,

however, times and records weren't much of a problem. "Breaking the long jump here, at districts, and SOC's, and the 400, 100, and 200 were probably the best times for me." Becky, whose 4 school records and 400 individual points outdistance any runner ever at WHS said these performances were hard to accept. "It finally sank in, though," she added. Becky also added another first for WHS - winning the state in long jump with a leap of 18'31/4" on her sixth and final attempt.

In spite of some tough meets and bad weather, the team racked up a nearly perfect season, winning a total of 8 meets, capturing 6 records, getting second in the SOC, sending multiple runners to regionals, and capturing a state title. In other words, U WENT GIRLZ!



Kathie Wheeler, Amy Spriggs, Angie Shepard, and Carrie Mc-Carty doubled in 1991 as both the 1600 and 800 m relay squads. As the 4X400, they broke four records, including the district with a time of 4:11.7. The record still stands.

Record After Record

Since Miss Bialkowski began coaching in '86, the Pirates have seen success both individually and as a team. In '89, Krystyn Bussa and Kathie Wheeler took 2nd and 5th in the state high jump competition, respectively, and Kristy Layne got 8th in the shot put.

One of the most dramatic wins occurred in '90 as the Burg beat Northwest by ¾ of a point in the SOC's. The 1600 meter relay team set four meet records in 1991 and Kathie Wheeler tied the regionals record and broke her own school record by clearing 5'6". She made her fourth appearance at the state track meet and finished 3rd with a 5'4" jump. Freshman Dana Gallaher squints at the sun as she prepares to heave the shot put. Dana competed all through the season as the #2 thrower. Becky Barnett defines mid-air more accurately as she hovers in the space between earth and sky. Becky broke four school records this year, including the long jump records at SOC's and districts.

Jennifer Clevenger sprints ahead of a Russell relay anchor in the 800m relay at home.





Senior Angie Shepard



"I'm so glad there's a mat there!" Freshman Heather Deal easily clears the 4'4" mark at a home meet. Heather high jumped to a place finish in many Pirate victories this season. Angie Shepard pushes out of the blocks for a powerful start on the 400m dash. Angie consistently took high places in this event as well as the 200 dash and anchored the 1600m relay.







Lynnsay Leesburg, a freshman sprinter, pumps her arms as she strides to out-run an East defender. Sommer Evans and Emily Walker take time out to seed heats during the Wheelersburg Invitational. The statisticians had the busy task of running the meet at all the home competitions.







Amanda Mauk skies over a hurdle at the WHS Invitational. Amanda got the opportunity to compete at regionals at Lancaster in the 300m hurdles. "We're not as cold as we look...hey — where's the hot chocolate?" Sporting winter wear, this group of track members celebrates a win at home.

Long Shot Pays Off

Boys track keeps tradition running with SOC win

"We knew we could do it; we went out there and got the job done," said Jay Neff, summing up the team's attitude for the season. After two exhausting days of sweating, throwing, sprinting, and leaping through SOC competition, the WHS boys tract team, under the experienced leadership of Coaches Gary Johnson and Glenn Queen. was worn out. . . and victorious. They knew it was a long shot when they climbed off the bus and were confronted with an older, bigger, and more experienced team from Waverly, but the Pirates steeled themselves and ran on. And after a two-hour rain delay, a lot of sweat, and a lot of praying (please don't let me diel), the biggest upset in SOC

history had occurred.

It took a determined team effort to cover the loss of Daniel Whitley and Tate Cunningham, but the Pirates showed they could still win as the experienced seniors paired with the depth of the junior class and a talented trio of sophomores: Jonathan Eaton, Jason Williams, and Rex Pyles. Jerome Fannin, a crucial leg of the 3200m relay team described the feeling. "I'm hurting all over, but I still feel good because we won." 1993 boasted many things, and certainly one of them was the almost-undefeated boys track team...but hey they knew they could do it, so why sweat?



Sibling Rivalry?

It happened in '82. It happened again in '88. Between the two of them, they have competed in four state meets and broken the same long jump record. They are Todd and Pete, the infamous Ruby brothers. Sibling rivalry? Nah.

Todd, who participated in the 100, 300 hurdles, 400 relay, mile relay, and long jump, and qualified for state his junior year, talked about his first state meet. "I had a temperature of 100, but I was still nervous and excited at the same time." Todd's main accomplishment was breaking the 50 year-old long jump record, however, with a jump of 21'10%" in '82.

Pete erased Todd's name from the record books his freshman year. "I jumped; I yelled; I screamed, but Todd just looked at me and laughed," he said. Pete's senior year saw him ranked to place in the state, but it didn't happen. "I just messed it up," he said. "I fouled all three jumps."

Todd wasn't upset at his brother's stealing his record. "I was tickled to death," he said. "If anyone had to do it, it had better be my brother. I knew he was going to break it, but I never dreamed it would be his freshman year."

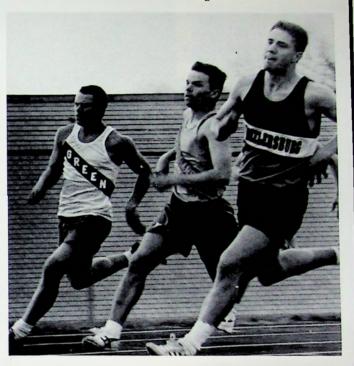


Todd won awards in '82 for the 400m and 1600m relays, 300 k hurdles, long jump (district), the 400m and 1600m relays, lo jump (regional), and the 300 low hurdles (state). In '89, Pete ma his way to the state in long jump.



Rex Pyles watches his throw after one of his attempts at the discus. At the Burg Invitational, Ben Gill and Chad Hawes vie for position coming out of the starting blocks.

Rob Willard begins to pull away from his opponents halfway through the 200m dash.



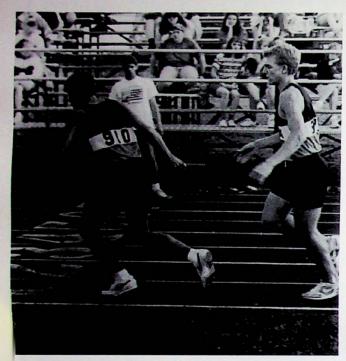


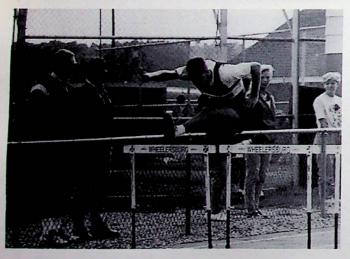
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Boys Track

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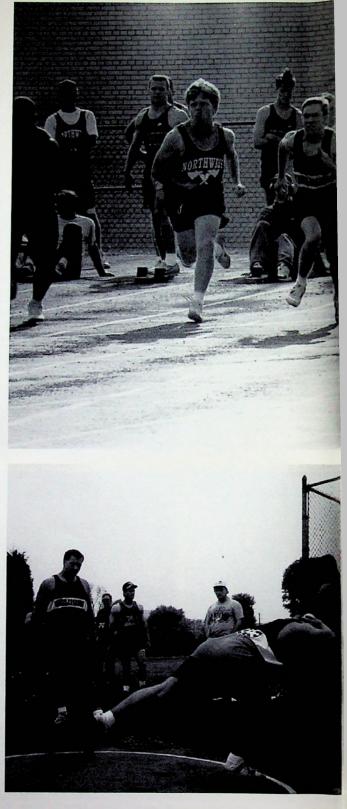
In the 3200m relay, Jason Williams exchanges to Jeremy Fannin. Chris Shelton comes fast out of the blocks to gain position against Northwest and Portsmouth runners.





At the Burg Invitational, Jonathan Eaton clears a hurdle in the 110m high hurdles.

Rex Pyles watches as Joe Carver warms up for the finals in the shot put.



Jaking the hurdles look easy is senior Ben Gill in the 300m hurdles at home meet.



Jared Cooper and Jason Williams have good position in the pack in their first lap of the two mile run.





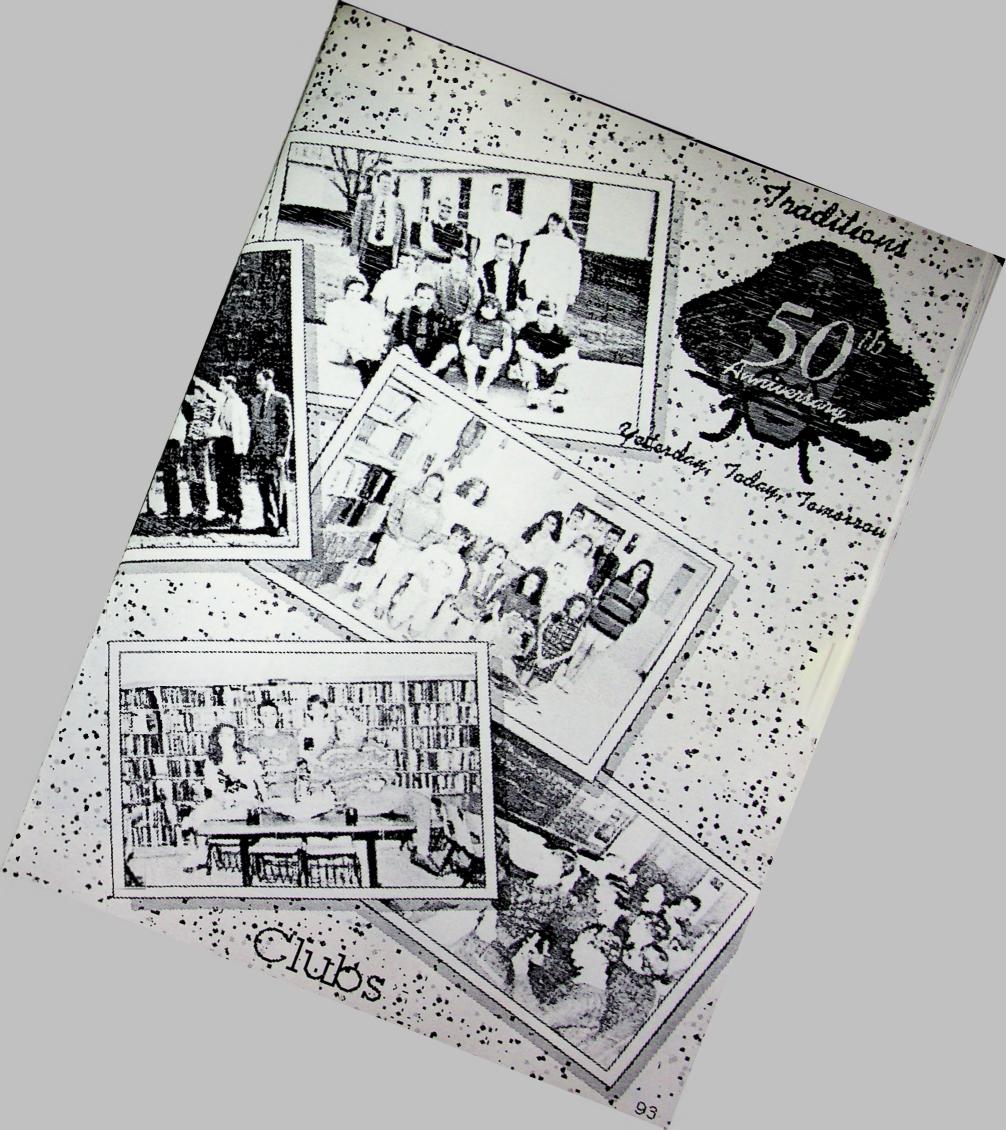


Keith Lawson and Chris Shelton run for the finish in the 400m dash. Seniors Row 1: Ben Gill, Chris Welch, Tim Jenkins. Row 2: Michael Hotchkin, Rob Willard, Chad Hawes, Chad Wolfe.



Eugene Willoughby flies through the air on his second attempt in the long jump.





Crissy Rock Editor

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Keith Lawson, Chris Lewis, Russ Johnson. Absent: Randy Johnson.



Russ Johnson Photography Editor



Meredith Carmon Business Manager



Tonya and Sarah watch as Emily crops the pictures for the After Hours layout.





Madness — Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow

Yearbook staff psyches up (or goes psycho) for 50th edition

Imagine opening a giant scrapbook filled with fifty years of what has made our school great — and, at times, not-so-great. Then try deciding what was important and touching about 1993. Finally, tie it all together, shoot, develop, and print pics, write captions, cover historical aspects, interview, edit, crop, kick out body, formulate bleeds, type, layout, perfect grammar, and FIND MONEY TO DO IT ALL!

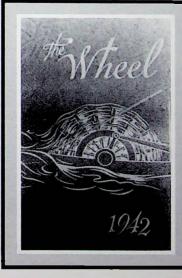
(not to mention finding time). Despite debt and usual year-end staff decline, the 1993 staff has gone beyond the typical call of duty and limits of sanity to bring you <u>Traditions</u> — <u>Yesterday</u>, <u>Today, and Tomorrow</u> — a virtual scrapbook of what life in the Burg has been, is, and probably always will be.

Crissy helps to edit the captions for the basketball homecoming layout to get rid of "all smiles" and "poses".

From the autumn decision to make The Wheel's 50th Anniversary a semi-historical document, the time machine's journey has been a tough one. especially for staff "movers-andshakers" Melody Williams (Advisor), Crissy Rock (Editor), and Meredith Carmon (Business Manager). "Yearbook is fun, until you're the editor," lamented Crissy, adding, "I liked making the decisions though: I'm quite 2 tyrant." Mrs. Williams, as did most of the staff, found that the true challenge was covering both the traditional yearly events and the traditions that brought them into existence. "The toughest thing was keeping the balance of what's important about this year and accurately covering what's happened for the last 49 years," said the fearless advisor. Regardless of our occasional insanity, we hope we have served our duties well. After all, we must set the maddening precedent for the next anniversary — 50 years from now.



Emily Walker Copy Editor



The Wheel

The Senior Class of 1924 published the very first annual at Wheelersburg High School and it was called The <u>Reflector</u>. Emil Schafer, Editor-in-Chief, is quoted as follows: "Our earnest desire is to so arrange and prepare this book that the community will be more thoroughly informed as to the type of school we have here, and the quality of the students which it sends forth into the world to fight the battle for success

and recognition in life." The '24 annual is filled with pictures, quotes, graphics, clubs, sports, jokes, candids, and ads — much like the yearbooks since then.

Then in 1942, Volume 1 of <u>The Wheel</u> was published. The cover design fully depicted the yearbook's name. Fifty editions later, lacking one year's edition due to the war, has brought us to 1993, Volume 50 of <u>The Wheel</u>.

Today's Honor Society

NHS gets physical, theatrical, culinary.

When tanned into the elite organization of scholarship, leadership, character, and service, little did the National Honor Society members know that they would also be required to exhibit philanthropy, theatrics, and stamina. It would also be remiss not to mention their stunning ability to gracefully gather smelly trash on the roadsides, with a subtle kick in the rear-end from rookie advisor Anna Davis. The Honor Society got the year rolling with the annual Highway Cleanup, followed by a Halloween hospital visitation, a twisted Christmas play performance, and Hike for Hospice in the spring. "Visiting the kids in the hospital was really important because they all really appreciated it," Miss Davis remarked

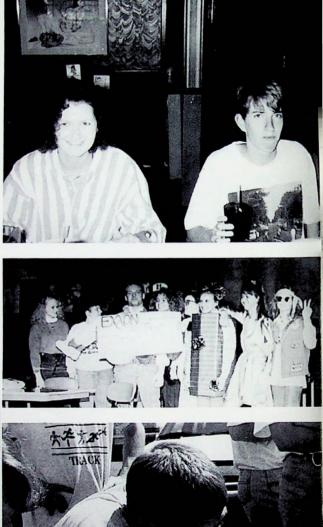
For everyone involved, however, the year was full of surprises. In her agonizing first-year as NHS head honcho, Miss Davis was surprised by the cohesion of the group, both before and after inductions. "When everything went well for the Christmas play and for inductions, I was gratified by their self-confidence. They've been together for so long; they're used to slapping things together," she said. In the spring, the group's placement as the Hike for Hospice team with the most teenagers spurned the same types of feelings. "I felt the sense of togetherness of our organization," said Davis. Junior inductee Kenton Lawson mostly felt surprised. After winning the Hike with brother Keith and seniors Christina McClure and Kim Brown, Kenton also had his name drawn to win a shiny, new toaster. "A toaster was just what I always wanted," said Kent of the surprise. With the addition of a culinary appliance to the organization's long list of assets, Wheelersburg's NHS should be ready for just about anything

Miss Davis and Dustin Burt enjoy the pizza party won during Hike for Hospice.

The two-year members perform the annual Christmas play, written this year by Crissy Rock.



Old and new members of NHS who walked in Hike for Hospice celebrate the closing of the year with the pizza party at Fred's they won.



Becky Brow and Thad Gulley, two of the five WHS participants in the sub-eating contest at the Hike for Hospice, devour their part of the three-foot sub.

)fficers: Kristen Wawro, Treasurr, Jenny White, Secretary; Chrisina McClure, Vice President; Shannon Keller, President.







Two-Year Members

Row 1: Shannon Keller, Christina McClure, Jenny White, Kristen Wawro, Kim Brown, Crissy Rock. Row 2: Heather Burchett, Lori Cole. Chris Dannemiller, Tiffany Nolen,

Angie Horton, Amy Bentley. Row 3: Russ Johnson, Rob Willard. Mark Spriggs, Ben Gill, Becky Brow.



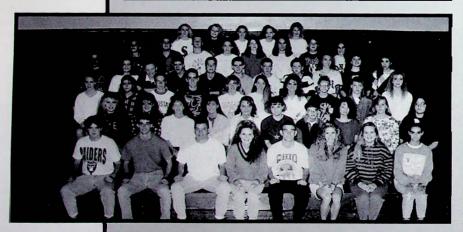
Christmas Future, Tiffany Nolen, tries to warn Scrooge, Rob Willard. Our NHS walkers turn out in large numbers for the Hike for Hospice on May 15. As a result they won the pizza party prize.

After many days of hard practice, Mrs. Rebecca Climer directs the mixed and select choruses at the Christmas concert.

Sophomore Hope Carmichael joys the words of the songs due the Christmas concert.



Row 1: J. Morrison, R. Montavon, L. Montavon, H. Wilcoxon, B. Spriggs, M. Lemon, T. Jenkins, E. Ellis. Row 2: S. Evans, B. Sisler, J. Clevenger, J. Bryan, M. Waring, W. Holbrook, A. Heimbach, D. Hanzel. Row 3: B. Roush, T. Thomas, B. Strang, B. Tangerman, D. Sherman, P. Lodwick, K. Pfister. Row 4: B. Williams, J. Briggs, T. Morrison, R. Whitley, J. Burt, T. Vallance, T. Jenkins. Row 5: J. Edwards, M. Ruggles, M. Evans, J. Allwood, P. Pratt, K. Delph, S. Rose, A. See. Row 6: G. Thomas, K. Bauer, T. Wolfenbarker, A. Glenn, M. Clausing.



Row 1: M. Dixon, P. Branstetter, J. Flannery, R. Mowery, C. Carter, A. Shepard, M. Logan, C. Fannin, Row 2: A. Leadingham, C. Oppy, W. Nolen, C. Mullins, M. White, E. Mearan, B. Johnson, K. Gayhart, M. Henthorn, C. Traylor, Row 3: C. Hotchkin, S. Brown, N. Moore, J. Pinson, K. Carver, C. Brown, L. Lang, T. Hughes, S. Hanshaw, M. Burnett. Row 4: D. Reynolds, L. Kelley, J. Thompson, R. Journey, J. Miller, S. Conn, D. Tolbert, G. Brown, A. Crabtree, C. Cummings, A. Burleson. Row 5: J. Wheeler, M. Miller, S. Boll, M. Kirkendall, M. Vanderhoof, A. Bateman, D. Gallaher, T. Osborne. Row 6: K. Manchester, E. Watts, D. Davis, M. Justice, T. Wolfe.





Many of the tie-dyed shirts worn the mixed chorus were created Staci Wells.



So Happy Together Chorus makes a statement

The sounds of the WHS mixed chorus have woven themselves into the mental fabric of every student from kindergarten on up. Concerts at community functions, school events, and the unforgettable and inspiring grade school performances have all played a part in establishing the reputation of Mrs. Climer and her chorus as one of the most entertaining, fun-loving, and enjoyable performance groups in the county. Carrie Bowen, a twoyear member, commented, 'Mrs. Climer is great; she makes the whole class fun."

The spring concert, enlivened by the appearance of a rather hippiefied Miss Weisenberger, wowed much of Wheelersburg with its choreography and tiedyed shirts. Kell Hicks, a freshman, had to double as a band member and chorus performer during the concert. "I was really wondering how on earth I was going to get out of my tux and into my tie-dye so fast," he laughed. But others were saddened by the night because it meant a good-bye to music at WHS for the year. "I was sad because it was the end," said sophomore KayCee Burns.

Hope Carmichael, a member of the select chorus, remembered her days in mixed chorus. "I did learn how to sway in unison and how to be coordinated because I never was before."

While dancing with their partners, the select chorus joins the mixed chorus in singing Christmas carols.





WHS Alma Mater

The words and music of our Alma Mater were put together and introduced to the student body in 1941. Mr. Schmidt, instrumental music director at the time, is believed to have composed the music.

Well loved because of its melodious simplicity and its pleasing harmony, the song flourished for a few years, but it eventually disappeared and no one had tried to revive it until the year 1958. Mr. Varney wrote the arrangement after listening to an old recording of our glee clubs singing the song.

"To our own dear Alma Mater, this the song we raise.

Ascends from hearts that love her and will echo now her praise, O' may we strive to do her honor and live by her rule

So come and join us while we boost for Wheelersburg High School." This group of bass and tenors show off their groovy 60's outfits at the spring concert. Thank goodness they don't dress like this everydayl

"Peace and keep the faith baby!" The select and mixed choruses demonstrate the 60's style of life and song at the spring concert.



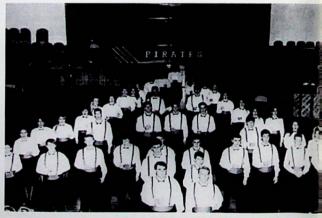


These five senior girls reminisce their past years in chorus as they sing for the last time at the spring concert prior to graduation.

Serving as this year's Select Chorus Accompanists are: sophomore Becky Barnett, and seniors Crissy Rock and Kristen Wawro.







Part of tradition, the Select Chorus sings "Silent Night" while in the shape of a Christmas tree to close the Christmas assembly.

At the Christmas concert, M chael Langley entertains the a dience with the solo, "San Bring My Baby Back", by El-Presley.







5th Period, Row 1: L. Spriggs, M. Wolfenbarker, R. Sherman, L. Tackett, B. Payton, R. Willard, V. Lowder, H. Arnett, K. Blake. Row 2: A. Duty, H. Miller, H. Deal, K. Burns, B. Pollet, K. Skaggs, M. Harr, A. Knight, D. Switalski, C. Bowen. Row 3: M. Wawro, L. Mullins, J. Parsley, T. Warner, S. Pennington, A. Schnitzius, H. Musick, C. Wilburn. Row 4: B. Montgomery, S. Miller, S. Blair, T. Yonce, D. Collins, C. Carver, G. White, T. Moore, C. Blair. Row 5: W. Shope, R. Bobst, C. Aeh, J. Hughes, D. Glenn, J.D. Emnett, T. Montavon, K. Coburn.

Select Chorus



Row 1: M. Knight, A. Horton, C. Wolfe, M. Langley, L. Cole. Row 2: A. Fannin, B. Gill, C. Lewis, N. Smith, C. Rock. Row 5: S. Conn, T. Nolen, B. Blankenship, R. Willis, N. Brammer, J. Johnson, M. Yeley, C. Dannemiller, K. Wawro. Row 4: K. Goodman, T. Pappas, S. Dye, M. Bond, K. Branstetter, J. Humble, B. Hutchinson, D. Rase, B. Humble, E. Willoughby, T. Conn, M. Riley, S. Wells, L. Norris. Row 5: H. Carmichael, A. Klaiber, R. Lawson, M. Miller, S. Frazier, A. Bentley, J. Fannin, M. Gray, J. Blankenship, E. McClave, B. Barnett, Not Pictured: R. Johnson, A. Shepherd, D. Bays.

Tootin' Our Own Horn

Band breaks past molds and blasts into the future

After the excitement of the summer's trip to Disney World wore off, they knew there was work to be done. Work (what a beautiful word) came for many in the form of band camp. Sure, they had fun — hours sweating half of your body's fluids away, shooing flies that didn't want to be shooed, learning the steps to routines that at times seemed pointless — but they had fun.

But as football season saw the band take to the field and wow the crowd, the fruits of their labors (namely band camp) became more than evident. Between the instruments, the flags and the majorettes, Wheelersburg grew to anticipate a lively spectacle as the seconds ticked away to halftime.

"I'm glad I made flags," laughed Amanda Klaiber. "Why? Now I don't hafta play my flute on the field, duh." Though some made the choice to abandon playing for a season in order to perform as a flag or majorette, others chose to wait out their time. Freda Lusk, a junior and first trumpet, commented on her top place in the band. "Everybody graduated, and I was left by myself. That's my rise to power."

Will Wood, one of the much picked-on underclassmen in the band, explained his freshman experience. "It's just wonderful. I'm good at being a freshman." Even though the band's work is not always appreciated, its value became more evident as basketball season progressed. With the addition of the pep band (which included flutes and clarinets) playing between reserve and varsity games and the presence of both the pep and stage bands at several girls games, 1993 was a year to break the mold and show some attitute in more ways than one. It was also the year for the tooting of horns - especially our own.



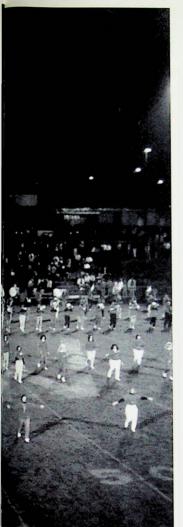
Band Tops 155

The 80's saw many transitions in band directors: Mr. Webb, Mr. North, Mr. Collinsworth, and Mr. Markoch. Even with the changing of directors and styles, Robert Mc-Coy stands out as the Burg's most memorable director. "I really admired the way he didn't back off of anything," said Gale Dalton, who is now following in his former director's footsteps as a band director. "He never really was negative — he just would snicker and laugh at you and did the show anyway. He told me the band was once so large he had to split his last two periods to fit everyone in the band room." When the band topped off at 155 members, the sound was so colossal that some people showed up at football games just to watch "Bobby's Band" blast out the fight song.

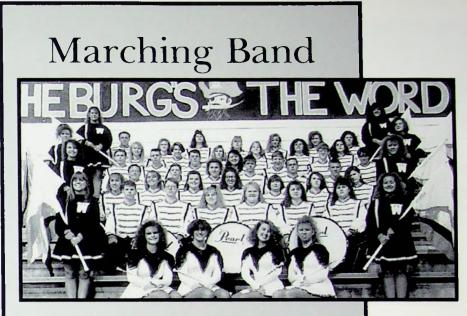


Jazz Band, Row I: B. Humble, D. Lusk, T. Pappas, S. Brown. Row 2: A. Ruchti, W. Wood, C. Cunningham, M. Wawro, E. Walker, L.

Horton, C. Aeh. Row 3: R. Johnson, D. Jividen, F. Lush, K. Wawro D. Burt, R. Johnson, R. Willis, J Wheeler, K. Hicks, R. Day.



Senior members Dottle Lusk and Dustin Burt savor their last moments of marching season. Both Dottle and Dustin have been in marching and concert band four years. The WHS Alumni Band comes together this year directed by former band director, Mr. Bob McCoy. They led the current band across the field with their version of the "Fight Song."



Marching Band, Row 1: H. Carmichael, A. Cassidy, E. Hayden, S. Jividen, Row 2: C. Huffman, J. Humble, D. Burt, D. Lusk, K. Wawro, T. McCormick, T. Cummings, S. Brown, Row 3: M. Jenkins, F. Lusk, M. Wallace, L. Hayden, J. Wight, B. Hamilton, C. Bowen, T. Thompson, C. Blevins, Row 4: C. Cunningham, B. Humble, B. Lusk, D. Jividen, R. Willis, J. Wheeler. Row 5: S. Brown, C. Shelton, R. Roush, J. Briggs, B. Roush, C. Aeh, W. Wood, S. Smith, S. Johnson, Row 6: M. Burnett, K. Pfister, A. Cunningham, J. Burt, A. Klaiber, T. Pappas, Row 7: L. Horton, K. Hicks, M. Wawro, C. Cummings, T. Yonce, T. Hughes, L. Norris, S. Dye, K. Burns.



Stage Band, Row 1: K. Burns, A. Cunningham, D. Lusk, T. Pappas, B. Lusk, S. Brown. Row 2: W. Wood, S. Dye, J. Burt, K. Pfister, M. Wawro, E. Walker, L. Horton, L. Hayden, J. Wight. Row 3: R. Johnson, C. Cunningham, D. Jividen, F. Lusk, K. Wawro, D. Burt, B. Humble, R. Johnson.



Row 1: Cyrena Huffman, Stacy Brown, Mariann Jenkins. Row 2: KayCee Burns, Lisa Horton, Candee Blevins, Shawna Johnson, Shannon Brown.

Majorettes



Sitting: Amy Cassidy, Erin Carmichael. Kneeling: Hayden, Hope Shelley Jividen.



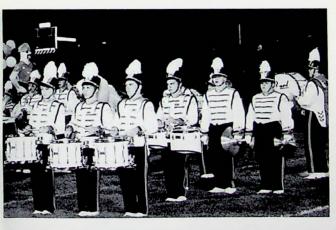




The band displays their school spirit as they play the National Anthem directed by senior Amy Cassidy. Mr. Shumate proudly walks along while the band marches in the River Days Parade. Although it's hot, the band beats the heat and performs excellently.







Senior Terri Cummings plays her tuba for the last time on our home field. Terri has been a marching and concert member four years. The percussion section plays during pre-game while anxiously awaiting the football team to take the field.



Showing off their tolerance toward upperclassmen, these new band members complete their initiation.

Double trouble! Mr. Shumate finds his look-alike at a community Halloween parade. Hope Carmichael stuffed her gut and donned a red beard for the event.



Quiz Team

Row I: Emily Walker, Regan Miller, Dustin Burt, Kristen Wawro. Row 2: Kelli Dyer, Amanda See, Russ Johnson, De-Anna Collins, Shannon Keller, Jennifer White.



1984 National Champs

"We were all in a state of mild shock. We told the pilot of the plane about it, and he announced it over the loudspeaker — everyone started clapping." Nancy Miller, advisor of the WHS's 1984 National Championship team, commented on her team's success in Dallas. They returned home with a trophy so big it wouldn't fit on the plane in one piece along with a computer that didn't quite work. The team included: Bridget Boggs, Thomas Walter, Mrs. Miller, Redonda Miller, Leigh Ann McLaughlin, and Debbie Richardson.

Quiz Team

Match Score Opponent

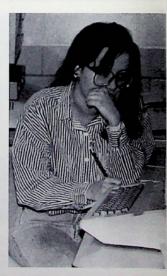
35-16	South Webster
31-18	Valley
29-25	West
26-19	East
24-10	Clay
22-25	Notre Dame
29-15	Minford
31-30	Northwest
26-30	Portsmouth
44-10	New Boston
29-20	Green

"In The Know" at Ohio State University

240-225Buckeye Valley 185-440 St. Charles

Southern Ohio Academic Competition

35-18Portsmouth30-24Jackson29-34Northwest





"Eat 'em Up" Quiz Team Finishes 9-2

The county tournament finals were the last obstacle facing the four rookie starters, who had pulled off a phenomenal 9-2 season record. However, victory just didn't happen. As John Smith, the county coordinator, read the final question before the lightning round, Northwest, the formidable opponent, led by 8. In the end, a mere 5 points kept the county crown and a chance to compete at regionals out of reach. The loss was especially devastating since a determined effort had seen The Burg outwit Northwest in the regular season, handing them their only defeat.

"If only they'd sold Mountain Dew in tengallon jugs," lamented Regan Miller, a starter and prime instigator of the infamous "Eat 'em

Up" motto. With a little help from Taco Bell, an "In The Know" road trip turned into an attitudeboosting tone-setter as this somewhat unoriginal slogan was adopted unofficially by the team.

Emily Walker laughed about the county match experience. "As a sophomore, it was scary, but once I put Northwest on my hit list, I could think about literature. John Keats' 'Ode on a Grecian Machine Gun' is my favorite weapon, I think."

Despite the heartbreaking defeat in the finals, the 9-2 record and two performances on OSU's "In The Know", one televised, one thing remained certain — even the inexperienced can win with a little Mountain Dew. "Eat 'em Up".



Jenny White tries to figure out one of the near-impossible math problems on the Knowledge Master Open Competition. "Hey — we know this onel" During April students participated in the KMO. Despite a computer shut down, Regan Miller saved the final score by completing it on his own.



After a year-long season, Mrs. Williams gives a few closing words of wisdom, "Eat 'em Up", to her quiz team during the annual scholarship banquet.

Tomorrow's Talent Today ISK and Mock Trial apply brainpower to modern

problems and future endeavors

Pairing up as one of WHS's most diverse (but yet dynamic) duos were I.S. and Mock Trial. Though both are different, each involved three main ingredients — intelligence, initiative, and inspiration.

I.S., labeled "a fun class that's very interesting" by freshman Josh Bryan, distinguished itself from the other academic courses in several ways. First, to be accepted into the program, students were required to score well above the national average on standard ability and IQ tests; secondly, I.S. may very well have been the only course in our curriculum that allowed students to work on projects of their choice and present them in their own personal way. Iota Sigma Kappa, the extra-curricular branch of I.S., sponsored various activities including the first March of Dimes Walk-America at school,

and the annual computer compatibility matches. After a year's hard work, members had the opportunity to go to Kings Island on June 2.

Mock Trial, somewhat in the shadow of the state level group from last year, gave students a chance to learn about the judicial system and try their hand at playing attorneys and witnesses while having a good time. Lisa Hayden, a direct attorney for defense, commented, "Once it all got started, I felt at ease. What we went through at state last year and at Deer Park gave us more initiative to succeed this year." Beth Lusk, a first-year Mock Trial member, summed up her first impressions, "It took forever, but it was fun. We got our daily C. I'm just sure it's something I'll remember throughout the duration of my adolescence."



"We think therefore we I.S." This unforgettable motto was coined in 1989 by Adam Gross and Gary Heimbach at the introduction of Iota Sigma Kappa, an academic club for I.S. students. I2K has participated in many events, mainly fund-raisers and drives for charities. However, individuals also have had high priority in this organization.

Julie Gleim, Vice-President of '90, remembered a special trip made to Grant Hospital for Eric Wallace, a member of her class who had been in-



jured in a football game. "Since Eric was in such critical condition, only one student and Mrs. Williams were allowed to see him. On behalf of I.S., I gave him a stuffed cat named Adolf, after his own cat at home."



Mock Trial Row 1: Beth Lusk, Regan Miller, Lisa Hayden, Chris Shelton. Row 2: Ryan Willis, Dustin Burt, Mike Gray. Row 3: Mr. Tim Gilbert, Advisor; Russ Johnson, Nath Kennard, Brenda Roush. Not Picture Shawna Johnson.



Regan questions the witness from Valley during one of the scrimmages.



IZK, Row 1: A. See, E. Walker. Row 2: M. Clausing, G. Thacker, A. Scott, B. Hatfield, R. Murphy, A. Blankenship, K. Pfister, J. Allwood, S. Schwamberger, A. Heimbach, J. Bryan, G. Given. Row 3: M. Schwamburger, P. Lodwick, R. Miller, A. DeCamp, J. Thacker, N. Millhuff, K.

Blake, M. Riley, S. Weghorst, E. McClave, S. Wells, C. Rock, J. White, C. McClure. Row 4: J. Hedrick, N. Kennard, S. Cheeks, D. Mullins, J. Knapp, S. Crisp, J. Parsley, C. Shelton, A. Delcourt, J. Wight, B. Lusk, L. Hayden, K. Baker, M. Colegrove.



Amy DeCamp types in one of the many student answer sheets into the computer match program. Raising the most money per class period in the Walk America is 5th Period which turned in over \$366. Walkers could get out of study hall to walk around the track. Angie Coche takes a moment to make the day of a Greenbriar resident. FHA took an afternoon to sing Christmas carols at Greenbriar Nursing Home.



Row 1: Mollie White, Lana Spriggs, Michelle Logan, Michelle Knight. Row 2: Chris Lewis, Tim Jenkins, John Nichols, Betty Spriggs, Heather Burchett. Row 3: Kelsie Goodman, Kelli Childers, Kelli Dyer, Erin Mearan, Michelle Humble. Row 4: Melody Waddell, Dana Gallaher, Tonia Thomas, Jennifer Parsley, Anna Cooper, Judy Watts. Row 5: Carrie Traylor. Tina Yonce, DeAnna Collins, Crystal Carver.



FHA/HERO Officers DeAnna Collins, Secretary; Dana Gallaher, Local Representative; Kelli Childers, District Representative; Kelsie Goodman, Vice President and District Representative; Melody Waddell, President; Tina Yonce, Treasurer.





Dana Gallaher is presented a chec from the WEA by Bo Schwamberger and Mrs. Acco Dana's project qualified her for n tionals in California.



FHA Today

Future homemakers break new ground

"I felt okay, I guess," was all Dana Gallaher would tell about her unprecedented chance to compete in the nationals in FHA competition. "I guess it was a big accomplishment." Even though Dana wouldn't tell everyone, WHS was somewhat abuzz when word of her success at the state level got around. Only a freshman, Dana's project, designed to teach children only a few years younger than herself, is the first from Wheelersburg to ever get a chance to compete at the national level.

Melody Waddell, who racked up her third first-place showing at regionals, commented, "I was happy about it for me and for the chapter. We've done a lot to make the school and community more aware of FHA."

However, the highlight of the year of activities for students and teachers alike was Student-Teacher Exchange Day. Russ Johnson, who quite accurately portrayed Miss Weisenberger, was perhaps one of the most entertaining. But more than anything else, 1993 helped prove FHA members learn to do more than make pancakes and darn socks. They are teachers, achievers, and national competitors.

Rev. John Combs of the Wheelersburg Nazarene Church performs this year's FHA mock wedding ceremony where Betty Spriggs and John Nichols were married.





This year's FHA group took home many awards from the Regional Skills Event. Row 1: Dana Gallaher, 1st for "Little Friends"; DeAnna Collins, 1st for an illustrated talk; Kelsie Goodman, 2nd on Job Interview. Row 2: Carrie Traylor, Michelle Humble, and Melody Waddell, 1st on Chapter Activity Display.



State Degree

In '67, senior Monica Thieken got all dressed up and headed to Columbus to accept her State Homemaker Degree. "It was one of the most exciting things to happen to me in high school," she said. Like many before and after her, Monica Thieken made good on her dedication to home economics and began teaching. Today she is Mrs. Monica Acox, WHS's home economics and FHA advisor.

Three New Worlds

Foreign languages "ham" it up for a non-traditional fair

The smells of foreign cuisine wafted through the halls on March 8, forming a tantalizing backdrop for the variety of projects filling the cafeteria. Visitors were transported to another world — or rather, three worlds as Latin America, France, and Rome came to WHS for the annual Foreign Language Fair. "The whole thing was great," said Stacy Brown.

Despite the popularity of the projects and food, the plays performed by the advanced Spanish students topped the applause meter for the evening. "The play was a blast," said Natalie Millhuff. "Except for the part where the house fell down." Irma Switalski, French and Latin instructor, laughed about the dirty job with which she got stuck. "Of all the things I enjoyed, washing the dishes was not one of them."

Spanish teacher Joyce Riepenhoff summed up the evening. "The plays and projects were good, and 1 was delighted with the soap opera — it was new and different. Spanish 1V worked long and hard on it. 1 think it all gets bigger every year...and Gene was a great cow."

The Prince, Andrew Myers, leans down to give Snow White, Mandy Yeley, a kiss while five of the seven Spanish dwarfs watch.





JCL Officers Scribe, Holly Arnett; Praetor, John Thacker; Quaestor, Dave Reed; Consul, Ben Gill; Consul, Chad May.





Spanish 111 Cast Members, Row 1: Mandy Yeley, Andrew Myers. Row 2: Eugene Willoughby, Josh Lewis, Michael Gray, Regan Miller. Row 3: Amy DeCamp, Nathan Kennard, Melody Waddell, Amy Carver, Cyrena Huffman, Sharli Crisp, Jamie Hayes, Natalie Millhuff.

Jack, Kevin Risner, takes hist Gene Willoughby, to be soft the market during the Spa IV play of "Jack and the B stalk". Spanish IV student, Jenny White as Jack's mother, vents her frustration on Kevin Risner, Jack, over his stupidity in selling the cow.





JCL Members, Row 1: Mrs. Switalski, R. Murphy, J. Thacker, H. Arnett. Row 2: K. Branstetter, K. Baker, A. Searls, K. Dyer, L. Hayden, M. Cole. Row 3: P. Lodwick, A. Delcourt, T. Thompson, R. Tackett, J. Wight, D. Collins. Row 4: J. Wheeler, D. Justice, A. Blankenship, K. Gayhart, M. Wallace, H. Deal, J. Johnson. Row 5: J. Lawson, C. May, B. Gill, D. Reed, N. Brammer, J. Carver. Row 6: J.D. Emnett, C. Shelton, P. Branstetter.

Merci, Madame Harrison

"Memorize, Memorize, Memorize." Her career at WHS began in 1949 as a substitute teacher. She subbed in '53-'55 for a Latin teacher. She was hired in '56, but had to teach English, geography, and act as librarian. By '57, she was teaching the Latin she loved and taught until her death. She took over WHS's infant French program in '59, and she mentored our own Swiss 10 years later. Her motto remained the same — "Memorize, Memorize, Memorize."

"Her life was her kids," said Gail Hanshaw, her daughter and student. "She was dedicated, but she also liked to have a good time. People come and tell me they didn't realize she was the best teacher they had until later." Sally Harrison died in February of '75, and a stunned WHS



realized that their beloved teacher wasn't coming back. Sally Harrison lives today in the memories of her students, as does her spirit in the languages she loved. "Memorize, Memorize, Memorize." Merci, Madame Harrison.



Library Club Row 1: Lori Montavon, Kelli Gayhart, Angela Coche, Melissa Maggard. Row 2: Michelle Ruggles, Lana Spriggs, Stephanie Conn, Kelly Faulkner,

Heather Wilcoxon. Row 3: KayCee Burns, Cara Fannin, Candee Blevins, Beth Knapp, Kellie Childers, Charity Brown, Tonia Thomas. Absent: Amy Bentley.



Student Council Row 1: Dustin Burt, Crissy Rock, Dave Reed, Rob Willard, Jennifer White. Row 2: Justin Hawes, Sharli Crisp, Lana Spriggs, Natalie Millhuff, Kenton Lawson. Row 3: Aaron Adams, John Thacker, Jonathan Eaton, Geoff Thacker, Ryan Burleson. Row 4: Keri Ann Delph, Phil Lodwick, Michelle Evans, Jane Allwood.

Student Council = Wheelersburg High m= never become the gre governmental body it cracked up to be. In fac veteran council membe may recall days of yowhen candy sales were the climax of Student Counc responsibilities. No so th year. Although Counc activities may not exact dominate the alread overflowing agendas of most members, this year activities produced son unforgettable moments Council's usually blar history.

For the ten Studer Council volunteers w even sacrificed Senie Skip Day, this spring Special Olympics was real eye-opener. Soph more Class Treasurer, G offrey Thacker, wh helped a 15-year of named Jimmy, gaine much from the experence. "Special Olympi was really different," sa Geoff. "It made me rea ize all of the gifts I ha and made all of my pro lems seem very little First-time officer and Se ior Representative Dust Burt agreed. "I learn that the people who a mentally disadvantag are the most loving peop in the world," he said, a ding, "I had the time my life."

At the home scho Council members from nearly every class (promise you'll soon f your chance, Freshmupped the activity in so way.

"The Time of My Life"

Student Council increases both responsibility and fun while Library Club staffers provide valuable service

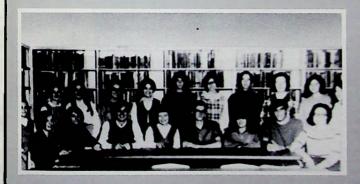
For the seniors, it was "washing for \$" at McDonald's to raise money for graduation and selling the first-ever Senior T-shirts at Wheelersburg. The sophomores even lent a hand, adding a little pickle juice to the Pepsi at prom. (Yes, juniors and seniors, that's what that was.) Nevertheless, the new events have brought a welcome and enjoyable sense of responsibility to Wheelersburg Student Council. Maybe next year they'll even pass a law.

For another group of students at WHS, their service is provided to the student body on a daily basis. Serving as student library aides, their daily duties included checking books and magazines, delivering audio-visual equipment, and shelving books. Each student, in the process, earned ¼ of a credit for working in the library. It also gave them valuable experience that could pay off later in college with a work/study program based in the college library.

Aaron Adams, Geoff Thacker, Jonathan Eaton, Dave Reed, and Rob Willard pose with former WHS student Ruthie who they met while helping out with the annual Special Olympics held at New Boston's stadium.



Sophomore Council member, Geoff Thacker, has his picture taken with some special new friends he made during the Special Olympics events.



Seated: P. Frazier, S. Cantrell, D. Pace, Mrs. Moyer, W. Patton, J. Risner, M. Martin, K. Zuhars. Standing: C. Martin, N. Bush, K. Davis, V. Dials, J. Billups, A. Bennington, R. Dix, M. Myers, P. McDowell, D. Jackson, R. Ramey.

Library Staff '70

In the 1970's edition of The Wheel, the Library Staff page states the following: "In today's world one of the most important laboratories is the library. By using its valuable materials students open up their minds and search for answers to the many questions they may ask. Completely new worlds await the searchers who use its facilities."

About the only difference, concerning the above yearbook statement, between 1970 and today in the library at Wheelersburg High School lies in the style of dress of the student library staffers and seekers. If you think gasoline costs have inflated when the price per gallon jumps from \$1.14 to \$1.19, consider how the costs have risen since 1943, when a gallon only put a driver out about \$.23. The prices of other goods have also skyrocketed in the last fifty years: movies have jumped from \$.17 for a double-feature to today's whopping \$5.25 per show. A 1943 eight-piece bedroom suite was only \$89, compared to the modern price of \$999 for four pieces. Also, while we put up \$119 for combat boots or \$45 for jeans, horsehide workshoes and dress pants were only \$3.98 each in 1943.

> Despite great strides made toward international peace, since 1943, the world has been ravaged by war. Fifty years ago, during the printing of the first Wheel, thousands of American boys were being sent to Europe to fend off dictatorial leaders like Hilfer and Mussolini. The picture above left exhibits the jubilation of a nation as its soldiers returned home, having restored peace to the world. However, this peace was not a lasting one. World War II was followed by a string of disheartening "conflicts" like the Korean Conflict, the Cuban Missile Crisis; the Vietnam War, and the nuclear arms race with the Soviet Union, a "cold war" that consumed American politics for almost a half-century.

Only from the coust

Hend Lock n-roll

The last decade of fighting has been marked by conflicts that have been very real to our generation. The bombing of Lybia in the mid-80's, arms reduction talks, and Operation Desert Storm will be forever marked in our own minds as struggles we have observed but not actively fought. However, as we come of age in a world of war, its destruction and glory beckon us from far comers of the earth. Starving Somah cutizens need protection from heartless warlords, the world continually requires defense from leaders and political groups like haafs Saddam Hussem and Cambodia's Kalimer Rouge. In addition, the racial attention and onfinary expertise. Bosina's demolished city of Vitez, shown right, is only one of the many areas Americans will be asked to defend in the next fifty years. As we become a new generation ready to lake power, how will we keep or restore peace.⁷ Perhaps only time will tell

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Although Hillary Clinton is the first Presidential Wife to hold an official position as head of the health care committee, Hillary isn't the only First Lady to make strides behind the scenes. Fifty years ago, Eleanor Roosevelt helped to lead the nation not only by introducing new public programs, but also by assisting during FDR's long sicknesses. Edith Wilson also constructed much of the presidential policy for the last year-and-a-half of Woodrow Wilson's Presidency.

Tuesday, November 3, held all in suspense, atthough the majority of Wheelersburg students weren't of age to choose the next President. However, wishful thinking allowed us to cast our votes in a lunchtime computer poll which declared Ross Perot as the winner, with Bush in second, and Bill Clinton, the actual wictor, last.

Election '92

1956 national vote Bush

Bage national vote Clinton

43% national vote

Ar. Gampp Retires



After twenty-eight years of Friday vocabulary tests and Romeo and Juliet readings, Mr. Gampp brought his teaching career at Wheelersburg to a close on June 1, 1993. Mr Gampp, who began in the Minford school system in 1960 and migrated to Wheelersburg five years later, has been exuberating his love of literature, the power of Poe, and the joy of gerund phrases to eager Freshman minds ever since. Health problems kept him from the classroom this year, although he continued to serve as Activity Fund Cashier as he has for the past thirteen years. Emily Walker, a sophomore who was one of the last freshman students under Mr. Gampp for an entire year, remarked, "Mr. Gampp lived up to his reputation as an entertaining Romeo and Juliet reader. You have to admire the endurance of anyone who would read an entire Shakespearean play aloud."



WHO COULD FORGED

All of the various objects in the cheerblock during the Portsmouth game...the captains' "brilliant" speeches at the football pep rallies...shaving Coach Hall's head - Mr. Parker's "the announcement that girls' shorts COME must down"...MR. PARKER'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT "THERE ARE NO LICE POLE-VAULTING FROM ANYONE'S HEAD"... anyone's announcements on T.V. after Channel One - the first girls' pep rally ...the "Super Sophomore" girls' basketball players...the girls' team beating Minford and The Halftime Brawl — Adam Shepherd singing "Imagine' at After Hours...RUSS JOHNSON GOING DRAG ON TEACHER-STUDENT EXCHANGE DAY...the visit from the Ashland prisoners...Miss Weisenberger al the Spring Concert...Becky Barnett breaking jillions of track records ... and last, but certainly not least -- The Infamous Lunch Line Gumboard!



Summertime blues? Well, yes, here at Wheelersburg, most of you admitted that you'd be working the days away, just like you did the summer before. In fact, the most memorable experience from last vacation drew a question mark from some, while another said he'd be doing "whatever comes up" this year. Others, however, made the most or plan to make the most of the time between late May and the end of August. Pictured here are seniors John Nichols and Mark Spriggs doing just that in Tiajuana last summer. Other highlights of the 1992 summer included "meeting my girlfriend," "hosting a Mexican exchange student," and "a torrid love affair with David Koresh." (As we said before, not everyone took this survey seriously.) Another cherished moment was "jumping off a 47 foot cliff into Crystal Lake." The same person's plans this summer are to "do it again...backwards." After school this year while many will be "preparing for college" or "partying," others will be "going to South Carolina to learn ninjitsu," "robbing Speedeemart with my friend Amy," or even "falling into a whale and having the fire department come to get me out after starving for about two days."

What YOU Said

The verdict is in! After you deliberated for about fifteen seconds over that grueling survey we gave (which about 1/4 of you took seriously,) we now have the power to mark your choices in the historic pages of the yearbook. So, like it or not, here's what you said ...

Glued to the



Everyone's gettin vertical these days, declaring Mountain Dew "World's Greatest Soft Drink" by an overwhelming majority. Some still gotta have Pepsi, however, while you proved that it's not always Coca-Cola by placing it third among the carbonated concoctions. Meanwhile, you were up in the air over Nike shoes and cited K-Swiss and Keds as your second and third favorite shoe types.

During class, you've obviously been looking more at the Swimsuit Issue than at your teachers (any question why?): your responses to "favorite magazine" were far more decisive than those to "favorite teacher." While Swiss and Davis tied for first place teacher, <u>Sports Illustrated</u> was the overwhelming magazine choice, followed by <u>Young Miss</u> and <u>Seventeen</u>. Firey flicks like <u>The Bodyguard</u>, <u>Indecent</u> <u>Proposal</u>, and <u>Basic Instinct</u> topped your favorite movie list, while Guns-N-Roses, Metallica and Alabama dominated your musical world.

Like them or not, these were your opinions. Perhaps someday, when you discover the real reason why Mountain Dew makes you so hyper, you will look back and laugh. But until then, keep believing that <u>Sports Illustrated</u> models don't have liposuction and Miss Weisenberger never went to Woodstock.

With the advent of "Channel One" in January, we no longer needed to watch the news at home, therefore allowing us plenty more time to watch double doses of sitcoms and adult cartoons. Teenage dramas like "Beverly Hills 90210" and "Melrose Place" were your first and fourth picks; meanwhile, old-fashioned sitcoms like "Home Improvement" and "Martin" were your second and third picks for laughs. Nothing, however, got you going like the nonsensical humor of "Ren and Stimpy" or the downright stupidity of "Beavis and Butthead." Classic cartoons like "Tiny Toons" and "Tom and Jerry" were your third and fourth animated choices.





Dedication ... a word that best describes Ralph Gampp's 28 years at Wheelersburg High School. Because of all he has given to WHS, to the students and faculty, and to the community, this 1993 edition of <u>The</u> <u>Wheel</u> is dedicated to him.

Dedication Ralph Gampp



Mr. Gampp displays the plaque presented by the faculty.



Mr. Miller presents Mr. Gampp with the plaque from the Board of Education.





"Wheelersburg Pirates Retired Faculty" is on the shirt given by the faculty.



Serving as spokesperson for the faculty, Mr. Jenkins gives Mr. Gampp the plaque, shirt, and watch presented by the faculty at the retirement luncheon held on the closing work day.



During his 28 years at WHS, Mr. Gampp taught all of these present staff members. Row 1: Bill Schwamberger, Paul Boll, Regina Craig Lisa Moore. Row 2: Joyce Riepenhoff, Monica Acox, Kathy Russell. Dana Whitt, Debbie Peters.

Breaking Routine

Old-fashioned wit + modern technology = fun for students



WHS faculty have found ways to entertain themselves as well as their eager learners. Miss Weisenberger, recognized as one of our most amusing teachers, commented, "I very much enjoy working with teens, and I have always loved literature. I try to make eye contact too and not crack up when their answers are wrong."

The addition of Channel 1 has also added some spice to the morning routine. "I enjoy Channel 1," said Mrs. Craig. "It is interesting to view the news from a student's perspective. Also, the program provides a nice transition from conversation with friends to class work."

Board of Education — Dr. Keith Gaspich, Mrs. Robyn Thomas, Mrs. Christine Eaton, President; Dr. Donald Collins, Mrs. Rebecca Schwamburger, Vice President.



Frank Miller Superintendent



Randall A. Parker Principal



Jim Gill Assistant Principal Athletic Director



Larry James Treasurer

Board Accepts Bequest

It is with much pleasure that the Board of Education acepted a bequest of \$109,274.47 from the estate of C. Harold and Mary Ella Duduit to establish the "Duduit Scholarship Trust Fund" in accordance with their will. As stated in the will, ninety percent of the interest from the trust will be used each year to award scholarships to graduates of Wheelersburg High School. A committee of high school teachers, guidance counselor, and principal will be selected

to work on guidelines for recipients of the scholarship and other necessary details.

"As a student of Mr. Duduit's seventh and eighth grade mathematics classes, I know that Mr. Duduit was an outstanding and dedicated teacher. Even after he retired, he continued to supervise student teachers for Ohio University and would stop by the office periodically to discuss education," stated Superintendent Frank Miller.

The above information was reprinted from the summer edition of the newsletter for Wheelersburg Local Schools.



For faculty dress-up day on Halloween, Mrs. Climer shows her Pirate Pride by disguising herself as a West Portsmouth Sider.





Jerri Morgan Secretary



Judy Bolton Nurse



Rich Bolander Custodian



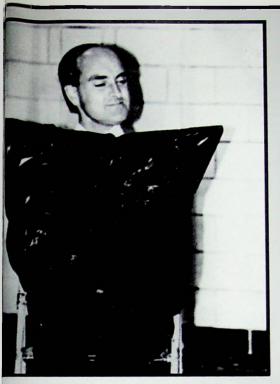
Dave Roth Custodian



Bill Schwamberger Head Custodian



Mary Lou Dye Cashier

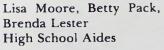


During a pep rally, Mr. Branon prepares himself to get a pie in the face if the Pirate spirit is high. "Are these women really our teachers?" Miss Weisenberger, Mrs. Whitt, and Miss Davis share their fun costumes on Halloween.









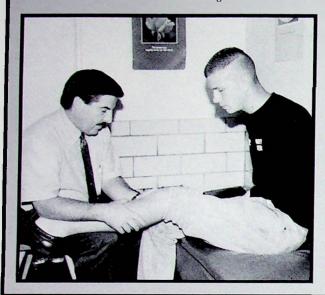
re Connie Boggs, Linda Brown, Faye Conley Cafeteria Cooks

Lynna Penwell, Pam Coriell, Gerri Smith Board of Education Secretaries



Athletic Trainer Dave Proc-tor from Scott Orthopedic Center examines Wes Baker's knee on one of his weekly visits.

Wondering if she's a Guid-ance Counselor or a Testing Proctor, Mrs. Nichols counts each one of the proficiency exams after the second round of testing.







Monica Acox **Home Economics**



Ellen Bell Learning Disabilities



Carol Bialkowski Health and P.E.



Melissa Bibbey



Rebecca Climer Vocal Music



Regina Craig Mathematics



Anna Davis English



Ralph Gampp English



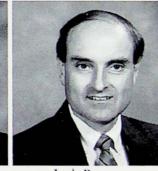
Mrs. Russell uses her trusty electric knife to carve out the shape of a seahorse to be used as part of the decorations for the prom.

Several of the women faculty and staff get into the spirit of the Halloween holiday by dressing up for the entire school day in costumes that ranged from a wicked witch to a bunch of grapes.





Paul Boll Science



Jack Branon Social Studies



Dora Carmon Guidance Counselor



Bill Claxon Math and Science



Tim Gilbert English



Larry Hall Social Studies



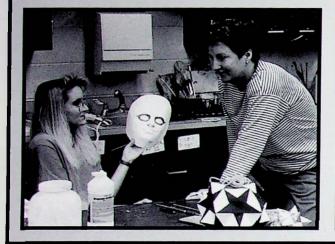
Nichole Hicks Math and Science

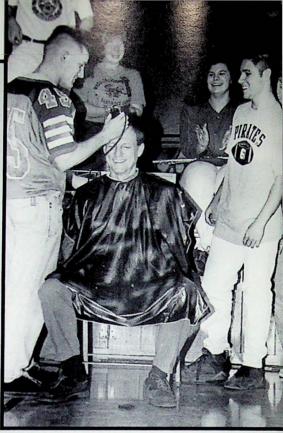


Dick Jenkins Industrial Arts

Mr. Suter's student teacher, Mrs. McCall, checks Metessa Bush's progress on her mold-ed mask project.

Confident they will follow through on the bet with Coach Hall by beating Ports-mouth, Captains Mark Spriggs and John Nichols shave his head during the pep assembly prior to the game. The final score was 7-0.







Gary Johnson Special Education



Paul Keller Science



Kathy Legg **Business**



Mike Lovenguth



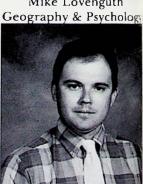
Kathy Russell Math & Computers



Mike Schomburg **Industrial Arts**



Bill Shumate Instrumental Music



Tom Suter Art

There's No Place Like Home Mr. Parker keeps tradition of leadership

'l loved high school and was totally nsumed with it; I didn't want to ve," recalls Principal Randy Parker the four years he spent at W.H.S. post thirty years ago. Advanced and ogressed he has, but Mr. Parker has wer truly left the building he so loved a teenager. But if the adage "you get t of it what you put into it" is true, In Mr. Parker's fondness for W.H.S. s been well-earned: he led the foot-I basketball and track teams as capin. played baseball and the drums, mmed it up in two class plays, and mehow found time to pass thenacher, now-superintendent Frank iller's Algebra II class.

After graduating from Eastern Kenrky University, Mr. Parker returned teach in the building where he had left his heart in 1967. As an educator, he returned to the building where also eight of his co-workers had been faculty members when he was a student. Under the principalship of his former teacher and coach, Frank Miller, Mr. Parker taught English to all grades and levels for eleven years. "One of my level two students went on to become an English teacher," he fondly remembers.

Then finally, eight years ago, Mr. Parker was made "head-honcho" at Wheelersburg — this time as principal. "I wasn't ready for it," he recalls. "It's very difficult to be a principal in your home town. You want to live up to everyone's expectations." We call your bluff, Mr. Parker; we know there's no place you'd rather be.





Ed Miller P.E. & Health



Rebecca Nichols Guidance Counselor



Debra Peters Business



Joyce Riepenhoff Foreign Language



Melody Williams Independent Studies



Irma Switalski Foreign Language



Cheryl Weisenberger English



Dana Whitt Developmental Reading

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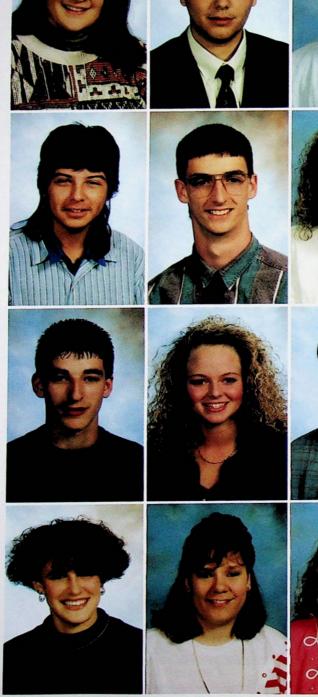
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Allen Bradley Paul Branstetter Rebecca Brow **Kimberly Brown**

Mike Buckley Heather Burchett Chad Burk Dustin Burt

Amy Cassidy Angela Coche Lori Cole Mike Colegrove







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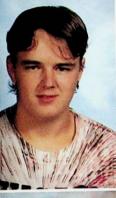








Stephanie Conn Terri Cummings Dave Dalton Christine Dannemiller









David Dixon Eric Ellis Ange Fannin Cara Fannin















Brandy Frazier Amy Gibson Ben Gill Tom Gleim

Christina Green Chad Hawes Erin Hayden Jason Hodson

Misty Holsinger Angie Horton Michael Hotchkin Jeremy Hughes

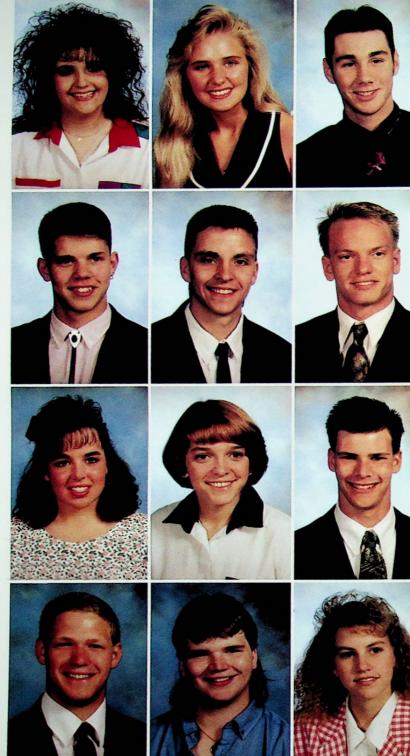
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Jay Humble Tim Jenkins Russ Johnson Shannon Keller

Michele Knight Meri Lemon Chris Lewis Michele Logan

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Class of '93

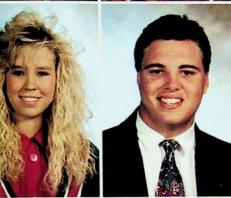








Chad May Christina McClure Trena McCormick Ryan Montavon







Lorie Stone Montavon Josh Morrison Rachelle Mowery John Nichols

Tiffany Nolen Kelli Oppy Amy Parker Sara Patton

Bryan Payton Misty Phillips Tammy Purdom David Reed









Class of '93

Bill Ridenour Kevin Risner **Crissy Rock** Michelle Ruggles

Angie Shepard Rich Sherman Nikki Smith **Betty Spriggs**

Mark Spriggs II Kevin Steele Lowell Tackett Chad Taulbee

Dan Tolbert Patricia Townsend Jared Vanderhoof Kristen Wawro





































Chris Welch Scott Wells Jennifer White Heather Wilcoxon





Rob Willard, Jr. Chad Wolfe

"Land, hol" proclaims the junior-high football team as the eighth-grade boys lead the S.S. Pirate through the 1988 homecoming parade.









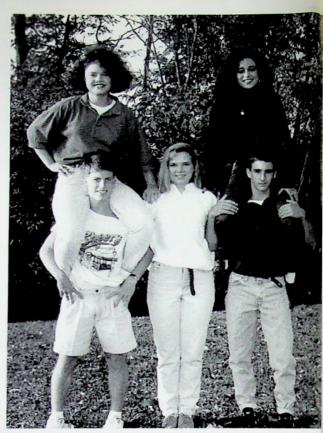
As seventh-graders, these girls share the summer with three friends who would soon move away.

Taking the day off in gym class on school picture day, Tiffany Nolen, Lori Cole, and Angie Horton prove that Freshmen can still have fun.

"Oh nol My sidekick is a bear!" laments the Rag Doll (Crissy Rock) of the Teddy Bear (Scott Wells) as Siamese twins Tick (Shannon Keller) and Tock (Dustin Burt) read their lines in Mrs. Pace's third grade play.

Class of '94 President-Sharli Crisp Vice-President-Lana Spriggs Secretary-Kenton Lawson Treasurer-Natalie Millhuff Student Rep-Justin Hawes

ACT and PSAT are big, big words. And perhaps scary words, also. Fifty years ago, nobody was aware of them. Army and Navy seemed much bigger, much more of a concern for the young men, and the girls thought mainly of marriage. As their high school years ticked away, the Class of '43 weighed their few options and chose their futures. Today, the juniors go about the same process in a much bigger, much more sophisticated way. The big, scary words have changed over the fifty years, but perhaps the basics of happiness and the freedom to live and choose, haven't.



Kara Baker Doug Bays Andy Bentley Ryan Blair Ben Blankenship Nathan Brammer

Kati Branstetter Shannon Brown Metessa Bush Amy Carver Colleen Chapman Shane Cheeks

Jennifer Clevenger Kelly Conley Matt Conn Tonya Conn Miles Cook Jerrad Cooper





Cash, wind, and confusion all combine as Junior Class President, Sharli Crisp, takes a trial run in the "money tube". She demonstrates how much money can be grabbed within a minute by the winning junior who sells the most magazines for the prom. Amy Knight won the top celling title selling title.

Jamie Hayes and Donn Mullins confidently attempt a successful Chemistry I experiment working with starch and iodine.





Sharli Crisp Amy DeCamp Amy Delcourt Shannon Diamond Salena Dye Kelli Dyer

Jeremy Fannin Kelli Gayhart Kelsie Goodman Michael Gray Thad Gulley Justin Hawes

Lisa Hayden Jamie Hayes Cyrena Huffman Mariann Jenkins Shelley Jividen Becki Johnson











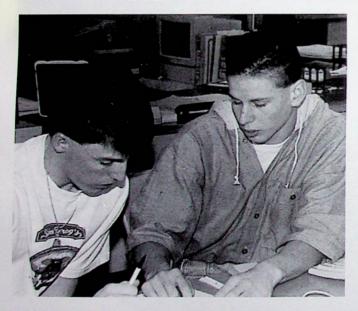


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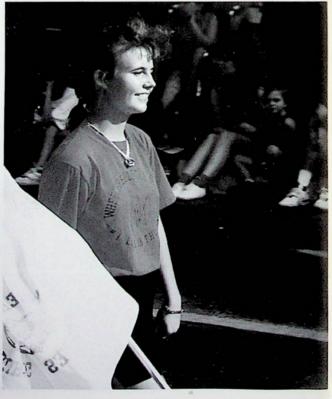
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Punky Parsley and Kenton Lawson take a break from their computer applications activities to collaborate on a dream house.

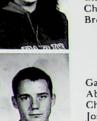
Mariann Jenkins works hard at keeping a W.H.S. flag corps smiling as she marches to the end of the River Days Parade route.







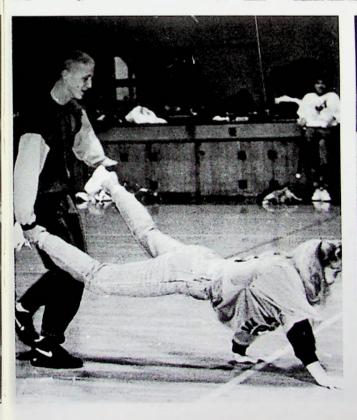


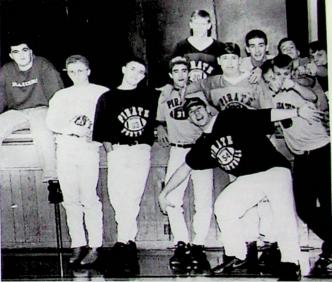


Andrew Myers Regan Miller Natalie Millhuff David Moore Donn Mullins Angie Naas

Jay Neff Casey Parker James Parsley Chad Phillips Charles Risner Brenda Roush

Garrick Schomburg Abbey Searls Chris Shelton Josh Shepherd Lana Spriggs Nathan Starcher





Eugene Willoughby doesn't seem to be having too much trouble as he steers April Kegley's feet. The two were "wheelbarrowing" during one of the football pep assemblies.

These junior football players are getting fired up for the big game while surrounding a lone sophomore. Smiles of accomplishment fill the scene as this group of juniors puts down their textbooks in the midst of the hall competition. Even studying had to wait as they tried to "bowl for a strike" with their decorations.

In Advanced Art and Art Awareness class, Keith Lawson works on a recent chalk drawing project.





Amy Sutton Tonia Thomas Melody Waddell Melissa Wallace Mollie White Jennifer Wight

Shane Williams Ryan Willis Eugene Willoughby Mandy Yeley Robbie York



















Becki Johnson interrupts her time spent on grading to observe her consumer math class while taking Mrs. Peter's place on Student-Teacher Exchange Day.

In personal typing class, Kara Baker works on the correct format for a book report as part of the class' assignment.



Vo-Tech Juniors









ICP









Matthew Allen Brian Bolen Wayne Crusan James Damron Charles Hammond Jason Hatfield

Danny Holbrook B.J. Litz Jim Maynard Dawn Patton Julie Rawlins Sherry Smith

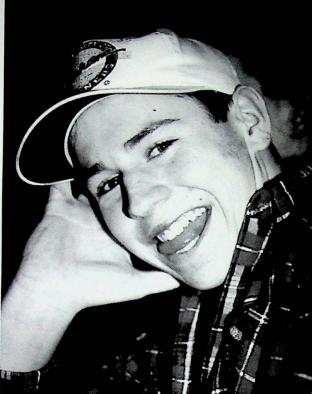




The spirit of this group of sophomores is evident as they take a break from decorating a "groovy" hall for the annual competition.

Jeffry Blankenship sports a University of Oklahoma cap along with a big smile.





Aaron Adams Heath Adams Harold Adkins Cherie Alcala Hollie Arnett Wes Baker

Becky Barnett Andy Blankenship Jeffry Blankenship Krista Blake Candee Blevins Micah Bond

Carrie Bowen Delmer Bowlen Jason Briggs Christie Brow Charity Brown Stacy Brown



















Class of '95

Class Rep-Ryan Burleson Treasurer-Geoff Thacker President-Jonathan Eaton Secretary-John Thacker Vice President-Aaron Adams

Class rings to cars — a big leap, huh? The magic words "Sweet Sixteen" used to refer to your coming out into the world, signified by the wearing of a class ring. Perhaps the coming out part hasn't changed, but today's sophomores couldn't be any less concerned with class rings — cars have taken their place. To finally be out from the bottom of the totem pole is more than a relief ... this fact hasn't changed.. driving is more of a beginning another step in the road to adulthood.



Amy Burleson Ryan Burleson KayCee Burns Hope Carmichael Meredith Carmon Joey Carver

Nathan Chamberlin Kellie Childers Jenny Cook Andrea Cooper Anna Cooper Malisa Cole

Chris Cunningham Jonathan Eaton Sommer Evans Kelly Faulkner Carla Ferguson Heath Frazier Sean Frazier Kristina Gannon Jeremy Goodwin Dwayne Goody Damian Hale Brandi Hamilton

Marie Harr Bryan Hatfield Jason Hedrick James Hodge Lisa Horton Christina Hotchkin

Amy Hughes Jennifer Hulse Brian Humble Brad Hutchinson Kevin Jarrells Darrell Jividen

Keri Jividen Randy Johnson Nicole King Amanda Klaiber Beth Knapp Allison Leadingham

Ashley Leake Coby Long Scott Maggard Amanda Mauk Jonathan Maynard Gabe McCarty

Emily McClave Casey McElroy Jed Middaugh Mike Miller Heather Montavon Cindy Mullins



















Joshua Mullins Rhett Murphy George Neff Wendy Nolan Lora Norris Cindy Oppy

Tiffani Pappas Tonya Parsley Chris Pennington J.R. Piatt Kim Piatt **Bobbie Pollitt**

Rex Pyles Dan Rase Doug Reynolds Megan Riley James Roca Robert Roush







While it's quiet in the library, Kelli Childers catches up on the daily news while working at the circulation desk.

Missy Cole takes advantage of her time in study hall to complete the next day's homework and to write a letter sometimes.

Adam Shepherd Beth Sisler Keri Skaggs Billie Strang Kim Stanley Regina Tackett

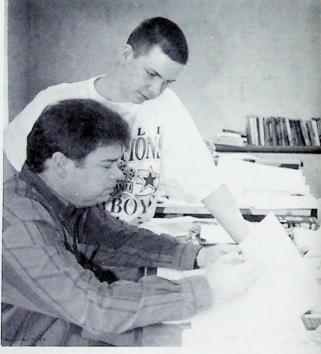
Steve Taylor Geoff Thacker John Thacker Tawnya Thompson Paul Wagner Emily Walker





Heather Montavon and Amanda Klaiber sweat through the math portion of the CTBS Exam. All sophomores spend a week testing their competency and ability during the stretch between winter and spring. Mr. Schomburg and Brad Hutchinson work together to find the solution to a Drafting 1 assignment.

South Webster cheerleaders and WHS varsity players alike stand, captivated, as select chorus member Adam Shepherd sings the National Anthem at a varsity game this fall.















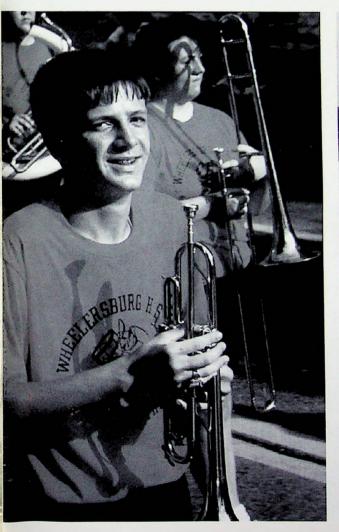






Staci Wells Chris Wilburn Jason Williams Mack Wolfenbarker

Mitch Waring Alfie Warnock Judy Watts Sarah Weghorst Chad Welch Leigh Ann Welch





"I'm dying, I'm dying, and this is only my second year!" sighs trumpeteer Darrell Jividen as he suffers through the heat and length of the River Days Parade.

At the Northwest meet, Meredith, Heather, and Becky try to relax while waiting for their heats to be called.

Class of '96

Vice President-J.D. Emnett Secretary-Michele Evans President-Phillip Lodwick Treasurer-Jane Allwood Class Rep-Keri Delph

Being at the high school is a big change, so we obtained some quotes concerning coming to W.H.S. "At first 1 was scared; 1 felt embarrassed in the hallway, but not anymore. I feel more a part of things." Dana Gallaher "I was nervous and felt like I'd get lost — I felt real, real small...but I'm taller than people now and not so lost."
Amanda Hotchkin

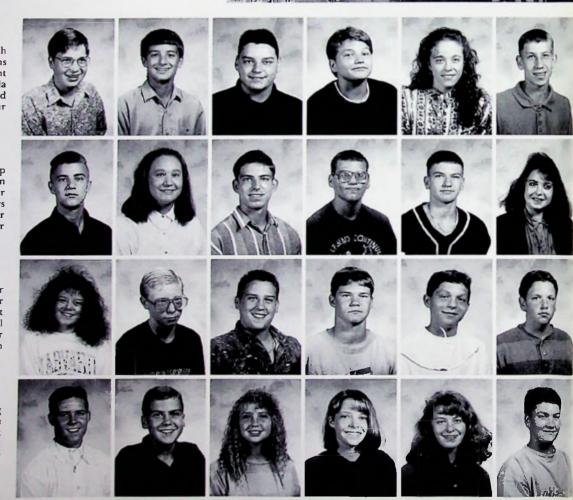


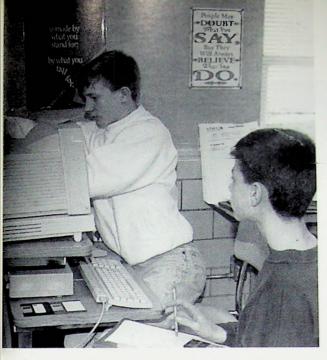
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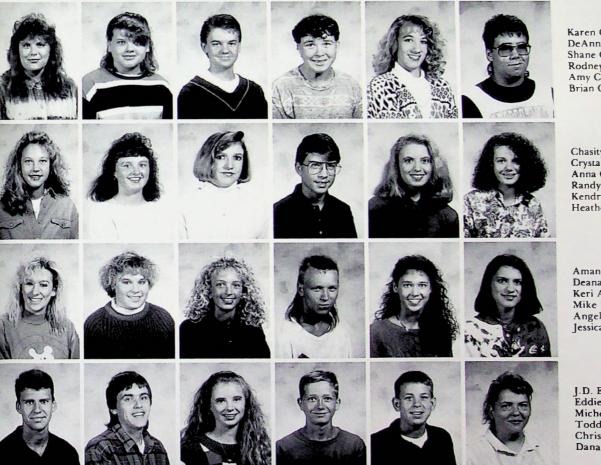




Independent Studies students, Gordon Givan and Andy Heimbach, use the Greatworks program to design graphs.

NEDT Superior Awards include, Row 1: Josh Bryan, Megan Wawro, Amanda See, Mindy Blair. Excellent Awards include, Row 2: Andy Heimbach, Phil Lodwick, Amanda Hotchkin, Kim Pfister, Lindsey Mullins. Row 3: Mike Clausing, J.D. Emnett, Heather Deal, Jane Allwood, Jessica Edwards.





Karen Cobern DeAnna Collins Shane Conn Rodney Cooper Amy Crabtree Brian Crace

Chasity Crisp Crystal Cunnings Anna Cunningham Randy Day Kendra Davis Heather Deal

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> Leslie Kelley, Jessica Parsley, Nikki Rase, Jessica Edwards, and Monica Ruggles look forward to cheering on their freshmen football team.





















Despite not seeing much playing time Monica Ruggles, Chasity Crisp, and Leslie Kelley enjoy the sunny day.

Matt Miller Sean Miller Brian Montgomery Tom Montavon Nathan Moore **Tiffany Moore**

Tiffany Morrison Lindsey Mullins Heather Musick George Neff Terri Osborne Jennifer Parsley

Jessica Parsley Rick Pennington Stacy Pennington Kim Pfister Michael Picklesimer Jeff Pinson

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Crystal Cummings, Karen Cobern, and Christy Blair check at the Art, Band, and Chorus table for registration. Jane Allwood goes over her schedule once again and tries to work out the closing period conflicts.



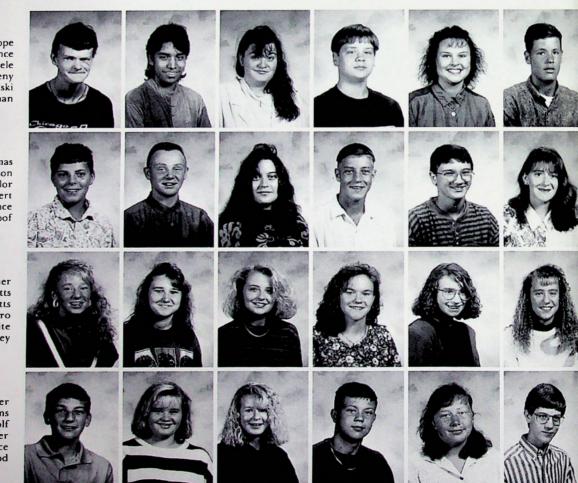


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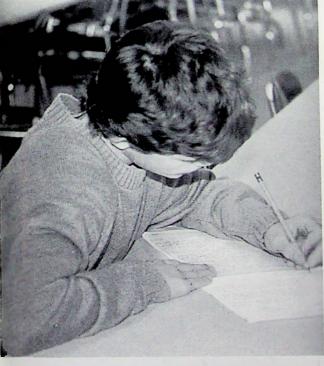


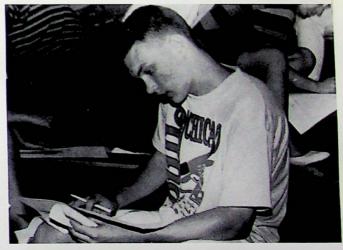


"I really don't think I want 7 study halls," is probably what Stephen Blair is thinking as Mrs. Russell goes over his options for his sophomore class schedule.

Friends, Jenny Burt, Sarah Hanshaw, Dawn Switalski, and Kim Pfister enjoy time to relax after the confusing and timeconsuming scheduling.

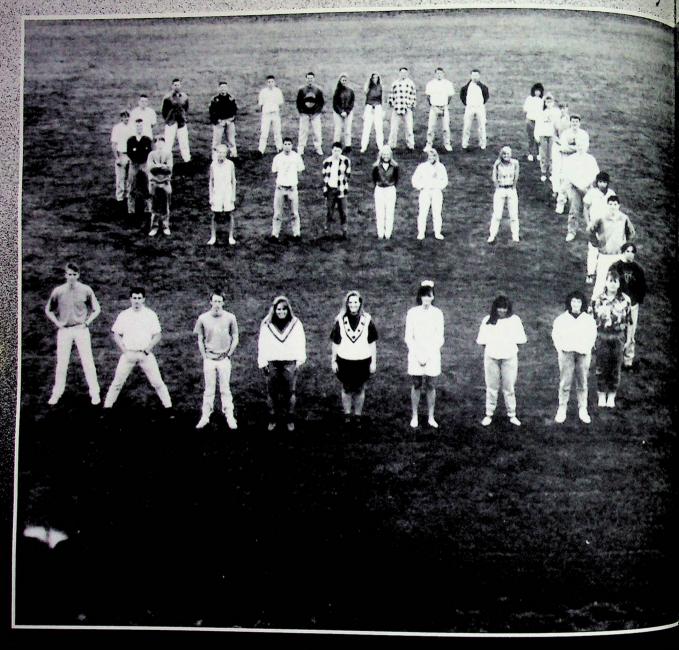






"Help — another word and my hand will fall off!" Mike Maggard concentrates on his next sentence as he finished the writing portion of the ninth-grade proficienty tests. "You've got to be kidding!" thinks Brian Montgomery as he carefully schedules his classes for next year.

The dreams of today



Class of

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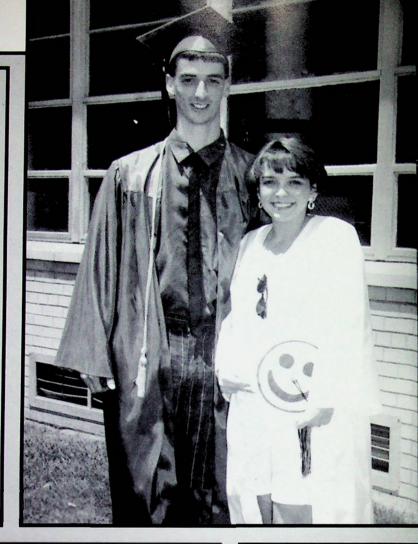




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The first school house in Wheelersburg was built in 1822 and John Young was the first teacher. As the population increased, and when the demand was sufficient, higher branches were added to the curriculum, and in course of time the school became a combined high and normal school, offering training to hundreds that went out to teach. In 1885 the first graduating class received diplomas and some were graduated each year thereafter. In 1907, the curriculum was increased to include four years of high school work.

During the years of 1921-1924, under the administration of Superintendent A.B. Prior, the school continued to improve and additions were made to the curriculum and equipment, until, at the last inspection by the State Department of Education, the official report stated that the Wheelersburg school "has assumed a place of leadership among the schools of southern Ohio." This is an honor of which we have a right to be proud, and so long as the school is served by a progressive board of education and capable teachers, as it has been in the past, then the Wheelersburg High School will continue to be a leader and not be content to follow.





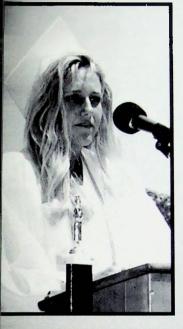
Tammy Purdom, Angela Coche, and Trena McCormick pose for one last picture together while they prepare in the back hall for the graduation ceremony. "The fact that Lori and I are both standing up here proves that cheerleaders are not dumb." Crissy Rock, Co-Valedictorian, brought laughter from the crowd beginning her speech.



Familiar Feelings and Futures

I worry, be happy," was the unique message on Lensor's graduation cap. Meri felt mixed emotions returning to Florida, but she still celebrated the set of the moment with Paul Branstetter.

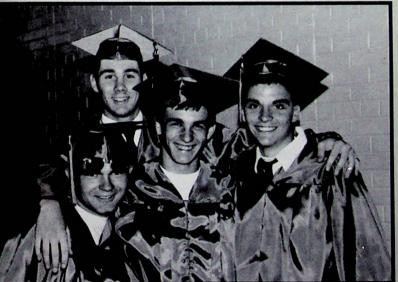
tope I didn't leave anyone out," vows Paledictorian Lori Cole, who used her ath as a thank-you to her hometown non, family, and friends.



Graduates keep traditions of prayer and patriotism

Fifty years ago, graduate Garnet Ramey Mitchell mused with her fellow members of the Class of '43 as to the future of her classmates. Many would be going to war -World War II to be exact - some had already gone, and their empty chairs during the commencement ceremony marked the vigil kept by those on the home front. "We were on alert sometimes," said Mitchell. "At graduation we remembered the four boys who had gone to serve. We honored them with an empty seat." Twenty-five years later, graduates during the 60's and 70's faced the draft for Vietnam. On May 30, 1993, 104 of Wheelersburg's finest students received their degrees like packages filled with opportunities and responsibilities, one of which may someday include fighting for Old Glory in threatening situations like Bosnia or the Middle East. Jeremy Hughes was one graduate preparing for those challenges by enlisting in the Navy. "I have been thinking about the possibility of war since I enlisted last November, but I would definitely go and fight if I had the training and if it were for a worthy cause," he said.

On the home front, this year's graduates waged a moral battle: a fight for the preservation of institutions, namely prayer at graduation. Since the establishment of WHS, prayer has opened and closed commencement, and this year, despite the Supreme Court's recent decision which outlawed public prayer, Wheelersburg seniors voted to keep the tradition. Led by NHS officers Shannon Keller and Kristen Wawro, the Class of 1993 kept religion in the ceremony through the invocation, benediction, and Shannon's Salutatorian speech. "I thought our decision set a precedent for other classes to follow," said Shannon. "We will be faced with many decisions of this caliber, and we must know where we stand." As it has always been at WHS and in the world, tradition is vital, as is readiness for the future. These graduates have both.





"I finally have it, but I can't see it!" says graduate Jared Vanderhoof as he is presented his diploma by Board of Education President, Christine Eaton. The brilliant, but blinding day found everyone from graduates to administrators sporting shades for protection.

Shawn Terry, Mike Hotchkin, Ryan Montavon, and Tim Jenkins gather before officially becoming WHS graduates. Mr. Frank Miller, Superintendent, presents Dan Tolbert the trophy for Wheelersburg's Top Vocational Student. Chad May takes a moment to reminisce about his past at WHS and to ponder about his future.

Despite opposition from the ACLU, Salutatorian Shannon Keller speaks of the importance of having prayer and references to God at graduation.



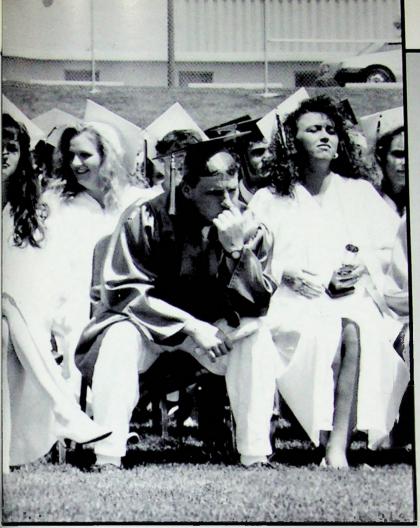




The Class of 1993 begins a new graduation tradition as they storm the field after the ceremony. As Mrs. Climer played "Celebrate," the new grads met family and friends for pictures galore.

Board President Chris Eaton examines the diploma before presenting it to Stephanie Conn.





"We wear short shorts!" say Scott Wells, Jay Humble, and Paul Branstetter. These seniors decided to break tradition and go casual under their robes.

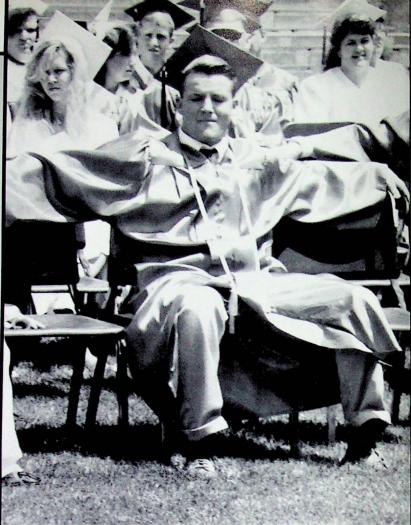






Angie Shepard takes one final athletic leap to get her diploma from Mrs. Eaton. This completed Angie's athletic career at WHS after she participated in every girls sport offered. Nikki Smith, Angie Horton, Tiffany Nolen, Chris Dannemiller, and Ange Fannin cluster for one last picture together as seniors.







Mr. Parker congratulates Alan Bradley for his accomplishments as a student at both Vo-Tech and WHS just before he receives his diploma. Brittany Nicole Montavon survived the 80 degree heat to go through graduation with mother Lori and father Ryan.



While others get their diplomas, Mark priggs takes a break from the chaos of raduation to relect upon his vast accomlishments throughout his high school caeer.

Kristen Wawro gives the benediction for this year's ceremonies. Fulfilling what the seniors saw as their duty of civil disobedience, the majority of graduates defied the ACLU by voting for prayer.

Amy Bentley steps up as the first graduate to receive honors. Amy was one of ten students to graduate with honors for remaining in the top 20% of her class.









Jason Hodgson, Alan Bradley, Chris Welch, Nate Bowen, and Virgil Lowder seem calm among the excitement of pregraduation moments.

"Hats off" to the Class of '93! These new WHS alumni celebrate the pronouncement that they are graduates.

Class of 1993

Senior Activities



Dustin Burt-Representative Rob Willard-Treasurer Jennifer White-Secretary Dave Reed-President Crissy Rock-Vice President



AMY BENTLEY

Audio-Visual Staff 3,4; Library Club 3,4; Newspaper Staff 2; Yearbook Staff 2; Junior Honors Program 3; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,4; Volleyball 2,3,4; Track 2,3; STARS 2,3.

RAY BLEVINS

Newspaper Staff 2; Independent Studies 1,2,3; Scholarship Team 1,2; Choral Ensemble 1,2; Soccer 1; Track 1; STARS 2,3; Boy Scouts of America: Troop 21-8 years, Post 42-4 years, Post 21-1 year, 1989 National Jamboree Troop, World Conservation Award, World Crest Recipient, Eagle Scout Recipient, Bronze, Gold and Silver Palm Recipient, Order of the Arrow 4 years; Post Secondary Option 1 year; STEP 1 year; NEDT 1; Dean's List-Shawnee State, Winter Quarter. NATE BOWEN

Soccer 1,2,3,4; STARS 2,3. JON BOYD Spanish Club 1; Baseball 2; Soccer 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3; STARS 2,3.

ALLEN BRADLEY STARS 2,3.

PAUL BRANSTETTER JCL 2,3,4; NHS 4; Choral Ensemble 4; Bas ketball 1; Track 1; Cross Country 2; In

tramurals 2; STARS 2,3. REBECCA BROW

Mentorship Program 2; NHS 3,4; Junior Clas Play; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4 Softball 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2; Prom Com mittee 3; STARS 3.

KIMBERLY JO BROWN

Junior Honors Program 3; NHS 3,4; Schol arship Team 2,3; Junior Class Play; Senio Class Play; Volleyball 2,3,4; Track 2; STAR: 2,3; At Rock Hill H.S.: SADD 1, Volleyball 1 Track 1; Computer Art Program 4; SOC All Conference Scholastic Award (Track) 2.

JOSHUA BRUST

Joint Vocational School Class President 4 Class Treasurer 3; Choral Ensemble 1,2; FHA 3,4; STARS 1,2,3,4. MIKE BUCKLEY

HEATHER BURCHETT

VHS 2,3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2; Choral Enemble 1,3; Volleyball 2; Track 2; Basketball domecoming Attendent 2; FHA 1,2,4; iTARS 3,4; All-American Scholar 2; Drama Lub 1,2; Candystriper 1,2.

CHAD BURK

Choral Ensemble 4; FHA 3; STARS 1,2,3,4; DECA 4.

DUSTIN M. BURT

itudent Council 4; Newspaper Staff 1,2; Independent Studies 1,2,3; NHS 4; Quiz Bowl 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 1,2,3,4; County Music Festival 3; STARS 2,3; Mock Frial 2,3,4; Outstanding Witness Awards 3; National Merit Commended Student; Senior Class Representative.

MAY CASSIDY

Spanish Club 1; Yearbook Staff 4; Senior Class Play; Majorette 2,3,4; Choral Ensemble 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 2,3; County Music Festival 1,2,3,4; STARS 2,3; After-school job 3,4; Solo and Ensemble Contest 1,2.

DEBBIE CHAMBERLIN

Class Vice President 3,4; Quiz Bowl 2; Band 1,2; Stage Band 1,2; Volleyball 1,2; Track 1,2; STARS 3,4.

ANGELA COCHE

Library Club 3,4; Choral Ensemble 1; FHA 14: STARS 1.2.3.

LORI COLE

Spanish Club 1,2; Student Council 2,3; Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 2,3,4; Independent Studies 1,2,3; Junior Honors Program; Mentorship Program 3,4; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Basketball Homecoming Attendent 1; County Music Festival 4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2,3; NEDT Excellence; Ohio University High School Scholar; SOC All-Conference Scholartic Award-2 years; Elk's "Most Valuable Student" Scholarship; Buckeye Girls State.

MICHAEL COLEGROVE

JCL 3; Newspaper Staff 2; Independent Studies 1,2,3,4; NHS 4; Choral Ensemble 1,2; Track 1,2; Cross Country 2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2; STARS 2,3.

TERESA COLEMAN

Choral Ensemble 1,2; STARS 1,2,3,4. STEPHANIE CONN

Audio-Visual Staff 4; Library Club 4; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,2,3; Choral Ensemble Audition 4; County Music Festival 4; STARS 2,3; J.O.G.S. 4; After Hours 2,3,4. JASON CONLEY

Football 1.

TERRI CUMMINGS

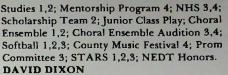
Choral Ensemble 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 1,2,3,4; County Music Festival 2,4; STARS 2,3.

DAVE DALTON

Choral Ensemble 1; Soccer Team 1,2,3; Intramurals 1,2,3; FHA 4; STARS 1,2,3.

CHRISTINE DANNEMILLER

Class Secretary 1; Audio-Visual Staff 2,3; Library Club 2,3; Student Council 1; Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 3; Independent



Choral Ensemble 2; Football 1. ERIC FLLIS

Choral Ensemble 1,3,4; STARS 1,3. ANGE FANNIN

INGE FAINININ

Audio-Visual Staff 2,3; JCL 3; Library Club 2,3; Yearbook Staff 3; Junior Class Play, Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Choral Ensemble 1,2; Choral Ensemble Audition 3,4; Softball 1,2; Basketball Homecoming Attendent 3; County Music Festival; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2,3; NEDT Honorable Mention; Ohio Wesleyn High School Music Festival.

CARA FANNIN

Audio-Visual Staff 3,4; Library Club 3,4; Choral Ensemble 1,2,3,4; Volleyball Stats 4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2,3.

BRANDY FRAZIER

JCL 3; Spanish Club 1; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,3,4; Volleyball 3; Track 1,2,3; Prom Committee 3; FHA 4; STARS 2,3.

AMY GIBSON

Library Club 1,3; Spanish Club 1,2; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,4; Volleyball 2,3; Track 1,2,3; FHA 4; STARS 2.







The Senior Mentorship Program allows the students to better understand working in the "real world." Involved in mentorship were: Row 1: Jared Vanderhoof, Crissy Rock, Chris Dannemiller, Angie Horton. Row 2: Chad Wolfe, Shannon Keller, Lori Cole, Tiffany Nolen, Dave Reed, Ben Gill.





BEN GILL

Class President 1,3; JCL 3,4; Spanish Club 1,2; Student Council 1,3; Independent Studies 1,2; Junior Honors Program; Mentorship Program 4; NHS 3,4; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; County Music Festival 2,3,4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 1,2,3.

TOM GLEIM

Football 1; STARS 1,2,3,4; VICA. EMERSON HADSELL

Yearbook Staff 4; Choral Ensemble 3; Golf 1,2; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; FHA 2,3; STARS 2,3,4; DECA 4.

CHAD HAWES

Class Vice President 1,2; Spanish Club 1,2; Student Council 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 3; FHA 4; STARS 1,2,3.

ERIN HAYDEN

Junior and Senior Class Plays; Majorette 2,3,4; Choral Ensemble 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2; County Music Festival 3,4; STARS 2,3, Girl Scouts-10 years; Church Youth Group-Camp Representative.

JASON HODSON

Audio-Visual Staff 2; Spanish Club 1,2; Football 2.

MISTY HOLSINGER

Class Secretary 3,4; Yearbook Staff 3,4; Choral Ensemble 1; STARS 1,2,3,4, Treasurer 3, President 4; VICA 3,4; OCA-Coordinator for Civic Affairs 4.

ANGIE HORTON

Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 2,3,4; Independent Studies 1,2,3; Junior Honors Program; Mentorship Program 3,4; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 3,4; Football Homecoming Attendent 4; County Music Festival 4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2; Hike for Hospice 4; O.U. Scholar 3; NEDT 1; Who's Who Among American High School Students.

MICHAEL HOTCHKIN

Track 3,4; Intramurals 3; STARS 3; Swim Team 1,2.

JEREMY HUGHES

Football 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Intramurals 2,3; STARS 3.

JAY HUMBLE

Choral Ensemble 1,2; Choral Ensemble Audition 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 1,2,3,4; County Music Festival 3; FHA 4; STARS 1,2,3.

TIM JENKINS

Basketball 1,2; Soccer 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 3,4; FHA 4; STARS 1,2,3.

RUSSELL R. JOHNSON III

Spanish Club 3,4; Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 3,4; Independent Studies 4; Junior Honors Program; NHS 3,4; Quiz Bowl 1,2,3,4; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; Stage Band 1,2,3,4; Football 2,3,4; Track 1; County Music Festival 2,3,4; STARS 2,3; NEDT High Honors; Eagle Scout; Order of the Arrow; Tri-State Youth Leadership Initiative.

SHANNON KELLER

Audio-Visual Staff 3; Library Club 3; Spanish Club 1; Independent Studies 1; Junior Honors Program; Mentorship Program 4; NHS 3,4-President; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Quiz Bowl 1,4; Choral Ensemble 1; Basketball Mgr. 1,2,3,4; Volleyball Stats 2,3; Prom Committee 3; FHA 1; STARS 2,3; Young Republicans Financial Committee; Group Workcamps; NEDT.

MICHELE KNIGHT

JCL 3; Spanish Club 1; Choral Ensemble 1,2,3; Choral Ensemble Audition 4; County Music Festival 4; Prom Committee 3; FHA 4; STARS 2,3; NEDT.

MERI LEMON

Spanish Club 2; NHS 4; Choral Ensemble 4; Band 1; Tennis 1.

CHRIS M. LEWIS

Yearbook Staff 4; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track 1,2; Intramurals 1,2,3; County Music Festival 2,3; FHA 4; STARS 2,3; J.O.G.S.

MICHELE LOGAN

Spanish Club 1; Scholarship Team 1,2; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,4; Volleyball 2,3; FHA 4; STARS 2,3.

RUSS M. LOGAN

Choral Ensemble 1; Football 1,2; Soccer 3: Intramurals 1,2,3; STARS 2.

VIRGIL LOWDER

Choral Ensemble 1,2.

DOTTIE LUSK

Spanish Club 1; Choral Ensemble 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 2,3,4; Basketball 1; County Music Festival 2,4; FHA 1; STARS 2,3; Church Youth Group.

MARK MANCHESTER

STARS 1,2.

MISSY MARTIN

Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1; Softball 1; Track 3; FHA 1; STARS 3.

CHAD MAY

JCL 2,4; Scholarship Team 3; Senior Class Play 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; STARS 2,3.

CHRISTINA MCCLURE

JCL 1,2; Spanish Club 3,4; Yearbook Staff 2,3. I.S. 1,2,3,4; Junior Honors Program; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Choral Ensemble 1; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Voleyball 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Basketball Homecoming Attendent 4; STARS 1,2,3. Wheelersburg Word of Life Group; 4-H/Junior Leaders; Junior Fair Board; Fair Queen Court.

TRENA MAE MCCORMICK

Choral Ensemble 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 1,2,3; Volleyball Mgr. 3; Track 2; STARS 1,2,3,4; Junior Band Representative; VICA Class Parlimentarian.

RYAN MONTAVON

Choral Ensemble 1,2,4; Choral Ensemble Audition 3; Soccer 2,3; Track 4; Intramurals 1,2; FHA 3; STARS 1,2,3.

ULIE MOORE

FHA 2,3; STARS 1,2,3.

OSH MORRISON

Choral Ensemble 1,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Bas-Letball 2,3,4; Baseball 1,3,4; Intramurals 1; FHA 4; STARS 1,2,3.

RACHELLE MOWERY

JCL 3; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,4; Basketball 1,2; Volleyball 2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3; Football Homecoming Attendent 3; STARS 2,3.

JOHN NICHOLS

Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 2,3; FHA 4; STARS 2,3.

KELLI DAWN OPPY

Green H.S.: Flag Corps 1,2; Choral Ensemble 1,2; Band 1,2. STARS 3,4; OEA 3,4.

TIFFANY NOLEN

JCL 3; Student Council 1; Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 2,3,4; Junior Honors Program, Mentorship Program 4; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 3,4; Volleyball 3.4; Track 1,2,3; Football Homecoming Attendent 2; Basketball Homecoming Queen 4; County Music Festival 4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2,3; American Heart Assoc. Volunteer; Walk America; Hike for Hospice.

AMY PARKER

FHA 3,4; STARS 1,2,3,4.

SARA ELIZABETH PATTON

Spanish Club 1,2; Flag Corps 4; Choral Ensemble 1,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 1,2,3,4; STARS 2,3.

CRAIG RAY PATTON

STARS 2,3,4; VICA Reporter 4.

ASON PELFREY

Choral Ensemble 1; Football 1; STARS 2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 4; FFA 3,4.

CARRIE PIATT

Choral Ensemble 1; Track 2; FHA 1,2,3,4, Treasurer, Secretary, Vice-President; STARS 1,2,3,4; JCL 2; VICA Treasurer 3,4.

DAVID REED

Class President 4; JCL 3,4; Student Council 4; Independent Studies 1,2; NHS 4; Senior Class Play; Track 1,2,3; Cross Country 2,3,4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 3; All-Academic SOC 1; All-SOC Cross Country 4; Who's Who 3,4.

WILLIAM RIDENOUR

Band 2; Football 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Soccer 4; Army Reserve 3,4; Who's Who 2,3. **KEVIN RISNER**

Spanish Club 1,2,3; Soccer 4; Track 1,2,3. CHRISTA L. ROCK

Class Secretary 2; Class Vice President 3,4; [CL 3; Student Council 2,3,4; Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 2,3,4; 1.S. 1,2,3,4; Junior Honors Program; Mentorship Program 3,4; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Choral Ensemble 1,4; Choral Ensemble Audition 4; Tennis 2; Track 1; Basketball Homecoming Attendent 2; County Music Festival 4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2,3; NEDT; NMSQT Commended Student; OSU Leadership Rep; Universal Cheerleading Assoc. All-Star; Phoenix Writers; 1st Place Kiwanas' Chopin Competition.

MICHELLE RUGGLES

Audio-Visual Staff 4; Library Club 4; Majorette 2,3; Band 1,2,3; STARS 1,2,3; Physical Therapy Volunteer 4; Young Republicans 4. **ANGIE SHEPARD**

Spanish Club 1; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,3,4; Basketball 1,2,4; Volleyball 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2,3.

RICH SHERMAN

Spanish Club 1; NHS 4; Choral Ensemble 1,3,4; STARS 2,3; 4-H 10 years: Leadership Award 4; Teen Leaders 1,2,3, President 4; Beef Club President 2,3; Beef Club Vice President 4; Junior Fair Board 1,2,3.

CINDY SMITH

FHA 3; STARS 4.

GINA "NIKKI" SMITH

Spanish Club 1,2; Newspaper Staff 1,2; Yearbook Staff 1,2; I.S. 1,2,3; Junior Honors Program; NHS 4; Scholarship Team 1,2,3; Choral Ensemble 1,2; Choral Ensemble Audition 3,4; Softball 1,2; County Music Festival 4; STARS 1,2,3; NEDT; Who's Who; Post Secondary; O.U. Scholar Award.

BETTY SPRIGGS

Class President 2; Class Treasurer 1; Audio-Visual Staff 3; Library Club 3; Spanish Club 1; Student Council 1,2; Yearbook Staff 2; Scholarship Team 3; Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 1,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Football Homecoming Attendent 1, Queen 4; FHA 4; STARS 1,2,3; '92 River Days Candidate; NEDT; Junior Volunteer at SMH 1.

MARK A. SPRIGGS II

Class Secretary 3; Class Treasurer 2; Spanish Club 1: Student Council 3: Yearbook Staff 2: NHS 3,4; Choral Ensemble 1,3; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Tennis 1; Track 2,3; Intramurals 3; STARS 1; NEDT; 1st Team All-Ohio Linebacks: Southeast District Lineman of the Year; SOC II Lineman of the Year; 1st Team All-SOC.

KEVIN STEELE

Yearbook Staff; Football; Basketball; Baseball; Intramurals.

LORIE MONTAVON

Library Club 4; Choral Ensemble 2,3,4; Volleyball 2; Softball 2; STARS 3. LOWELL TACKETT

Choral Ensemble 1,2,3,4; FHA 4; STARS 2,3. SHAWN TERRY

DAN TOLBERT

Yearbook Staff 4; Choral Ensemble 1.2; Prom Committee 2; STARS 1,2,3,4; Class Parliamentarian B.P.A.

TRISH TOWNSEND

Junior Class Play; Choral Ensemble 3; Band 1; Prom Committee 3; FHA 4; SCORES 3; Mock Trial 3; SEARCH 3; SADD 1,2,3.

JARED VANDERHOOF

Mentorship Program 4; Football 1,2,3,4; STARS 1,2,3.

KRISTEN WAWRO

Yearbook Staff 4; Junior Honors Program 3; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 2,3; Quiz Bowl 1,2,3,4; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Stage Band 1,2,3,4; County Music Festival 1,2,3,4; STARS 1,2; Who's Who 1; Wheelersburg Baptist Word of Life Group 1,2,3; Jr. High WOL Leader 4.

CHRIS WELCH

Choral Ensemble 1; Football 1,2; Track 1,2; Intramurals 3; FHA 3,4; STARS 2,3.

CHRIS WENTE

Choral Ensemble 1; STARS 1,2,3,4; VICA 3.4.

SCOTT WELLS

Newspaper Staff 2; I.S. 1,2,3; Mentorship Program 4; NHS 4; Scholarship Team 2,3; Junior Class Play; Tennis 1,2; Intramurals 3; STARS 1,2.

JENNIFER WHITE

Class Secretary 4; Spanish Club 1; Student Council 4; Newspaper Staff 2; I.S. 1,2,3,4; Junior Honors Program; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,3; Quiz Bowl 4; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Choral Ensemble 1; Volleyball 1; STARS 2,3; Hospital Volunteer; Who' Who 2; 4-H 6 years; Governor's Summer Institute; Martin Marietta Math-Science Academy; Youth Leadership Inititive; Teen Leaders Secretary; O.U. High School Scholar; Young Republicans; National Merit Commended Student.

HEATHER WILCOXON

Audio-Visual Staff 4; Library Club 4; Spanish Club 1; Choral Ensemble 1,2,3,4; Tennis 3,4; Prom Committee 3; STARS 2,3; After Hours 2

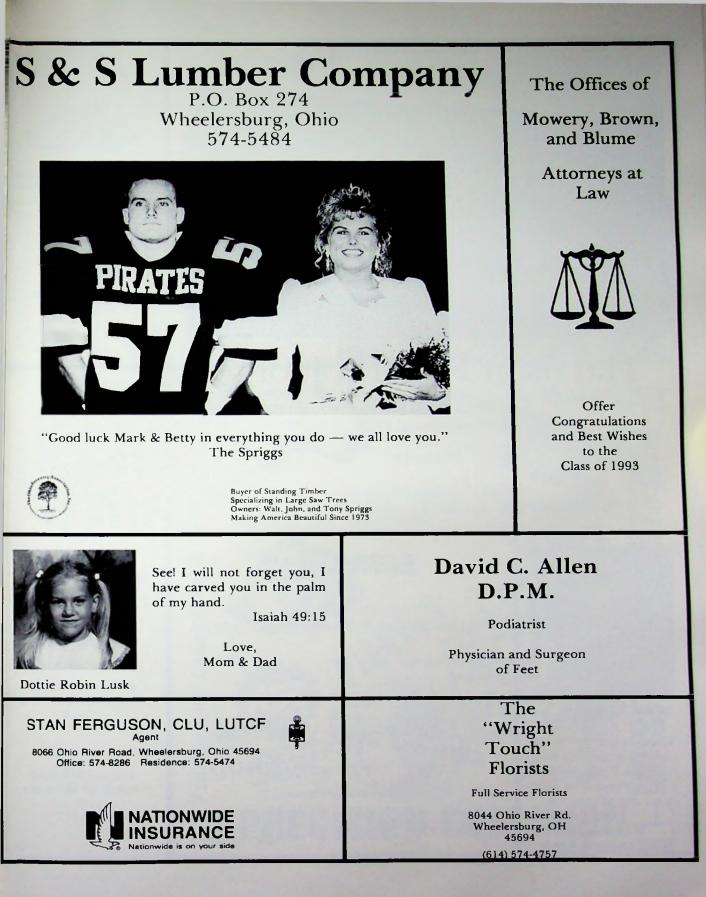
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Class Treasurer 3,4; Spanish Club 1,2; Student Council 3,4; NHS 3,4; Scholarship Team 1,2; Junior and Senior Class Plays; Choral Ensemble 1,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 3; STARS 1,2; All-SOC Track 2,3,4; All-State Track 3.

CHAD WOLFE

Mentorship Program 3; Choral Ensemble 1; Choral Ensemble Audition 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Intramurals 2; County Music Festival 2,3; STARS 2,3.

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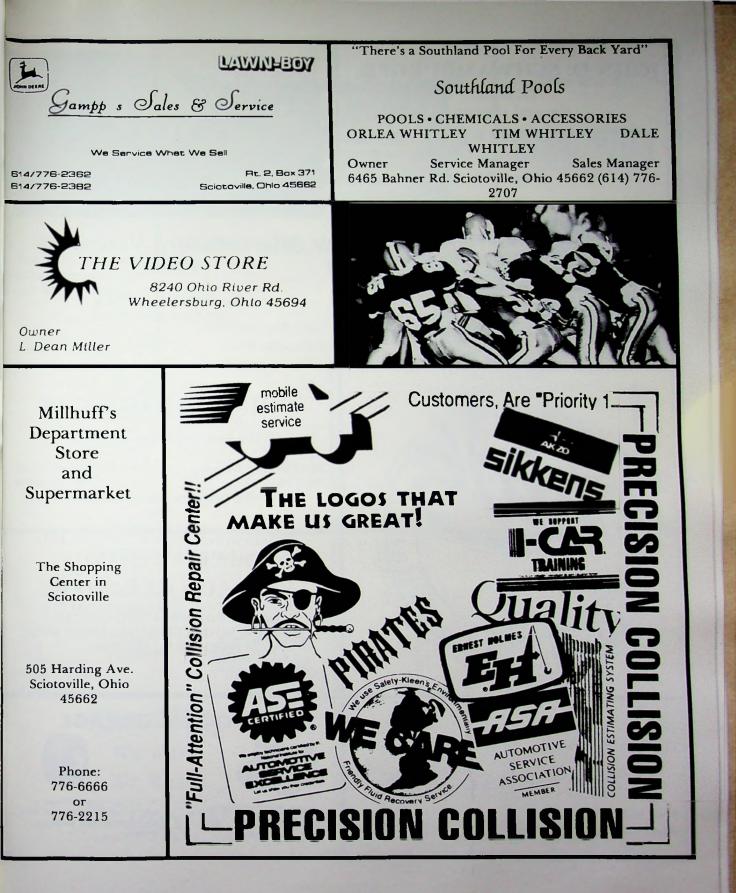


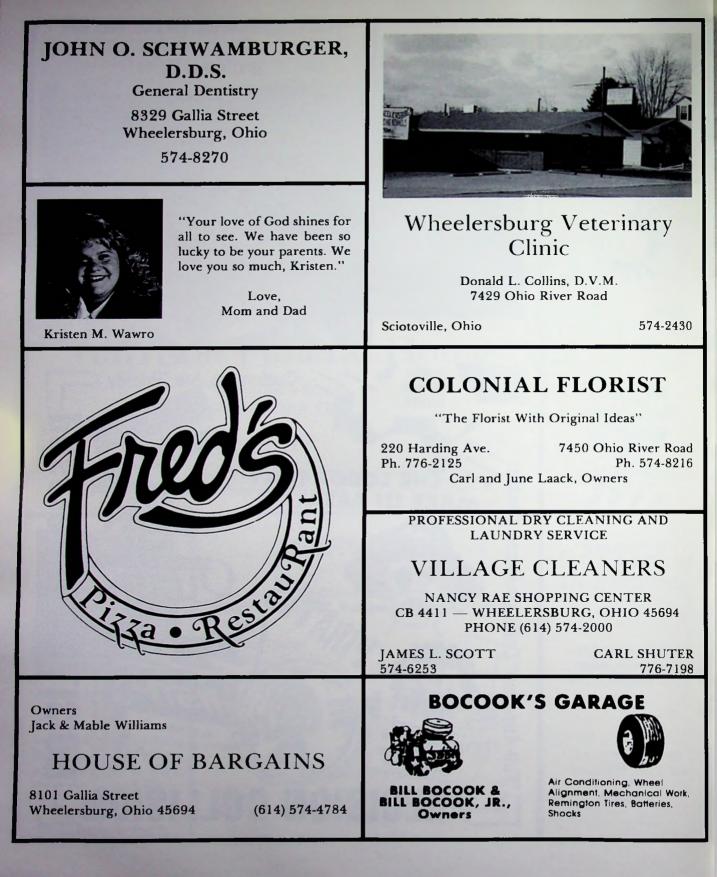
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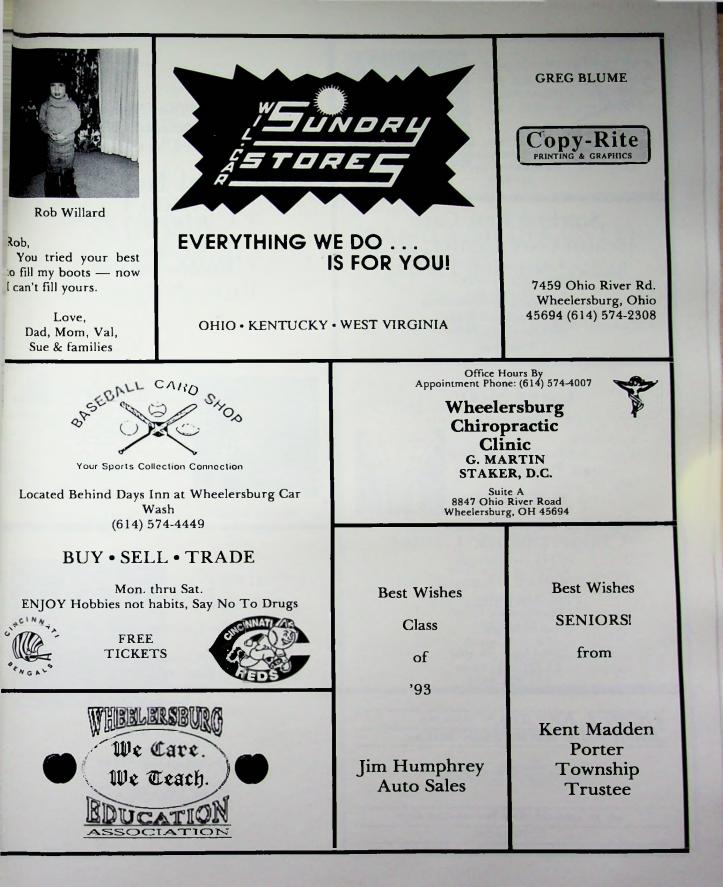
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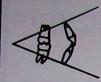
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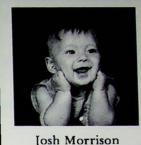
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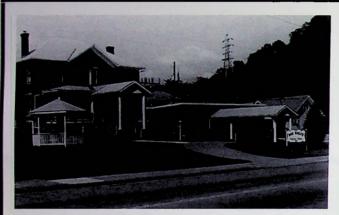
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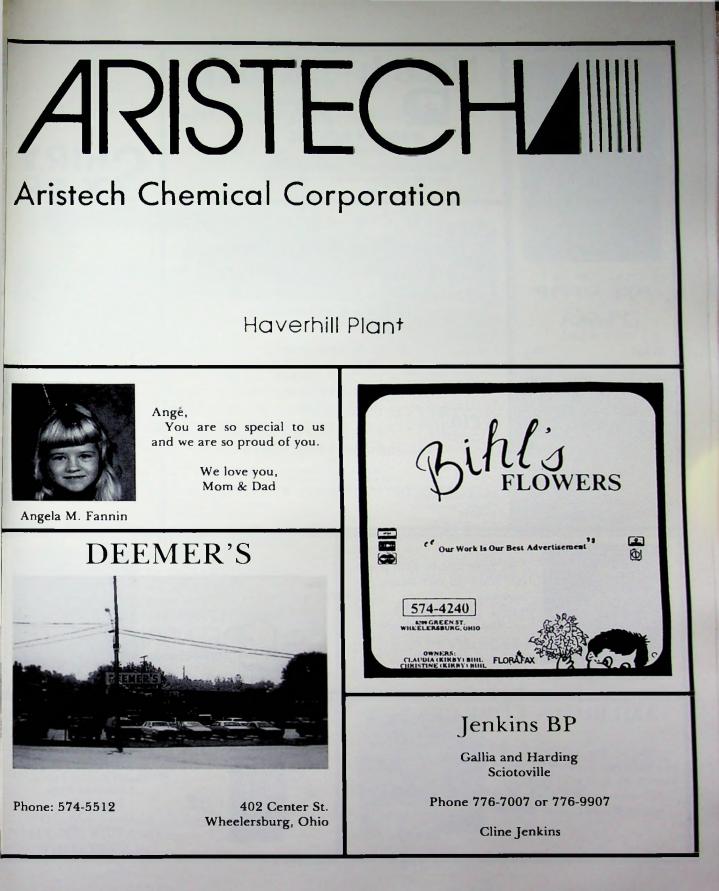
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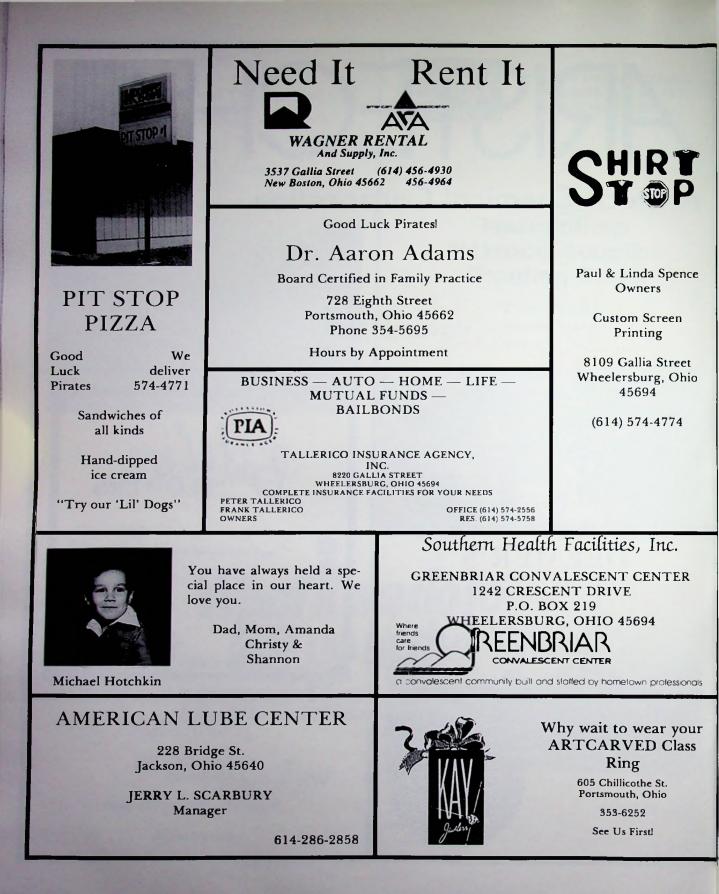


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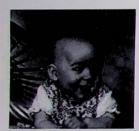
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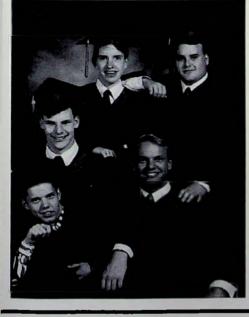
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Fifty years ago, television hadn't become a household appliance, man had never visited the moon, and Wheelersburg High School was only a crowded brick building half-way up what is now known as "High School Hill." Dwight D. Eisenhower was an American General. not a President: most of our parents hadn't even been born. Since that first publication of The Wheel a halfcentury ago, the polio vaccine has been developed, rock-n-roll has ruled, and computers have moved into the classroom. The U.S.S.R. has transformed from a Communist giant into a friendly coalition of broken city-states led by Russia, while Wheelersburg has constructed a new high school building (1957), experienced

With only ten days left until graduation, seniors Meri Lemon, Lori Cole, and Tiffany Nolen tack up the Senior Countdown. By the time commencement arrived, most of the 103 graduates had signed the poster, the last one any of them would hang at WHS. its sesquintenial (1974), and held its first girls basketball pep rally (1993). In situations great and small, our world, our nation, and our town have changed themselves in ways never before imagined, by imaginations never before conceived. All that we have done and all that has been accomplished before us has built up to the magical moment we possess today: NOW.

Our lives own only a tiny space in history. Millions have gone before us, and millions will follow after, each with his or her slot in the scheme of time. Though we, with our limited existence here, may seem miniscule in the scope of life, we are capable of limitless achievements with unlimited impacts on the world.



Yesterday.

"I thought it was pretty cool; watchin' everybody's costumes as they walked in was great."

- Chad Wolfe, Senior

"The toughest thing was keeping the balance of . what's important about this year and accurately covering what's happened for the last 49 years." — Mrs. Melody Williams.

Yearbook Advisor

Today. .

"It made me realize all of the gifts I had and made all of my problems seem very little." — Geoff Thacker, Sophomore

"The plays and projects were good, and I was delighted with the soap opera — it was new and different."

— Mrs. Joyce Riepenhoff, Spanish Teacher

Тотогтож..

"I thought our decision set a precedent for other classes to follow. We will be faced with many decisions of this caliber, and we must know where we stand."

- Shannon Keller, Senior

"Even though we didn't win all of our games, what we learned will help all of us in the future. I got a lot out of it."

- Lisa Horton, Sophomore



"What is this odd dance she's doing?" asks sophomore Meredith Carmon as Megan Riley gets funky while helping out as a hurdle mover at the Wheelersburg boys track invitational.

There's nothing like a hot dog, a blazing sun, and a dirty softball dugout to make junior Sharli Crisp dream about vacation.



Mayhem abounds as the Freshmen prepare to register for another grueling year of high school. This year's administration rejected electronic scheduling for traditional manual registration leaving many students just a tad confused.

"Peace, brothal" say juniors Ryan Willis, Amy Knight, Jill Knapp, Donn Mullins, and Freda Lusk. Miss Davis' English Literature class participated in a 70's-style poetry reading and received extra credit for dressing the part.





Yesterday.

"Once it all got started, I felt at ease. What we went through at state last year and at Deer Park gave us more initiative to succeed this year."

– Lisa Hayden, Junior

"Everybody graduated, and I was left by myself. That's my rise to power." — Freda Lusk, Junior

Today.

"We listened to everyone else and didn't pull together as a team."

- Amy Hughes, Sophomore

"The first thing I said was 'Oh my stars!'. It took me a whole day to believe it." - Meri Lemon, Senior

Tomorrow...

"I have been thinking about the possibility of war since I enlisted last November, but I would definitely go and fight if I had the training and if it were for a worthy cause." — Jeremy Hughes, Senior

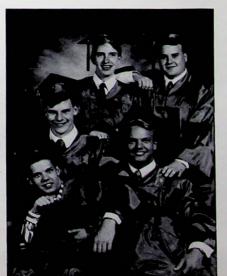
"I might continue with woodworking later in life as a hobby, but it helped me through school; it was what I came to school for." — Eric Ellis, Senior

"The experience will help me — I'll know what to look # for."

— Brian Montgomery Freshman These past fifty years have shown us revolutions in music, industry, technology, medicine, politics, and society. What will we create in our slice of time between now and 2043? What traditions from the past will be utilize to effect the future? What traditions will we transform? Which new ones will we make?

At the close of a halfcentury, at the close of a yearbook, and at the end of an eventful and life-altering year, we have a marvelous tendency to look back: to mourn, to cherish, and to reminisce. It is a great thing to look at the past but a terrible thing to look at it too long. Therefore, let us take what we have learned from our predecessors — the classes of 1942 and 43, 1959, 1969, and 1990, for example —, combine that knowledge with our experiences, and erect indelible memories for our year, 1993.

Crissy Rock Editor <u>The Wheel</u>



"Hey, watch that hand, Russ!" says Jay Humble as he and Russ Johnson, Chris Lewis, Dustin Burt, and Chad Wolfe gather for professional cap and gown pictures. Because these graduates had been friends since grade school, they felt comfortable sitting (or lying) about anywhere.

One Final Look at the Last 50 Years of The Wheel









