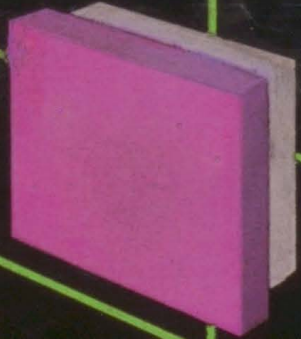


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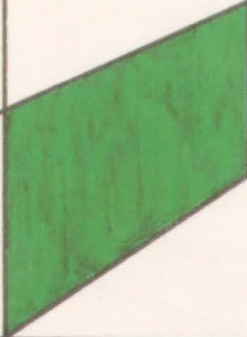
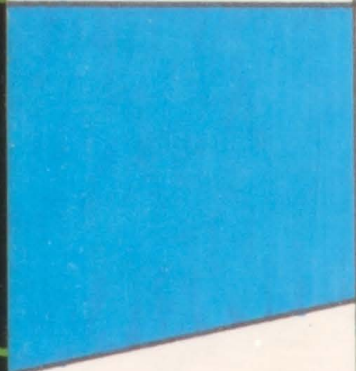
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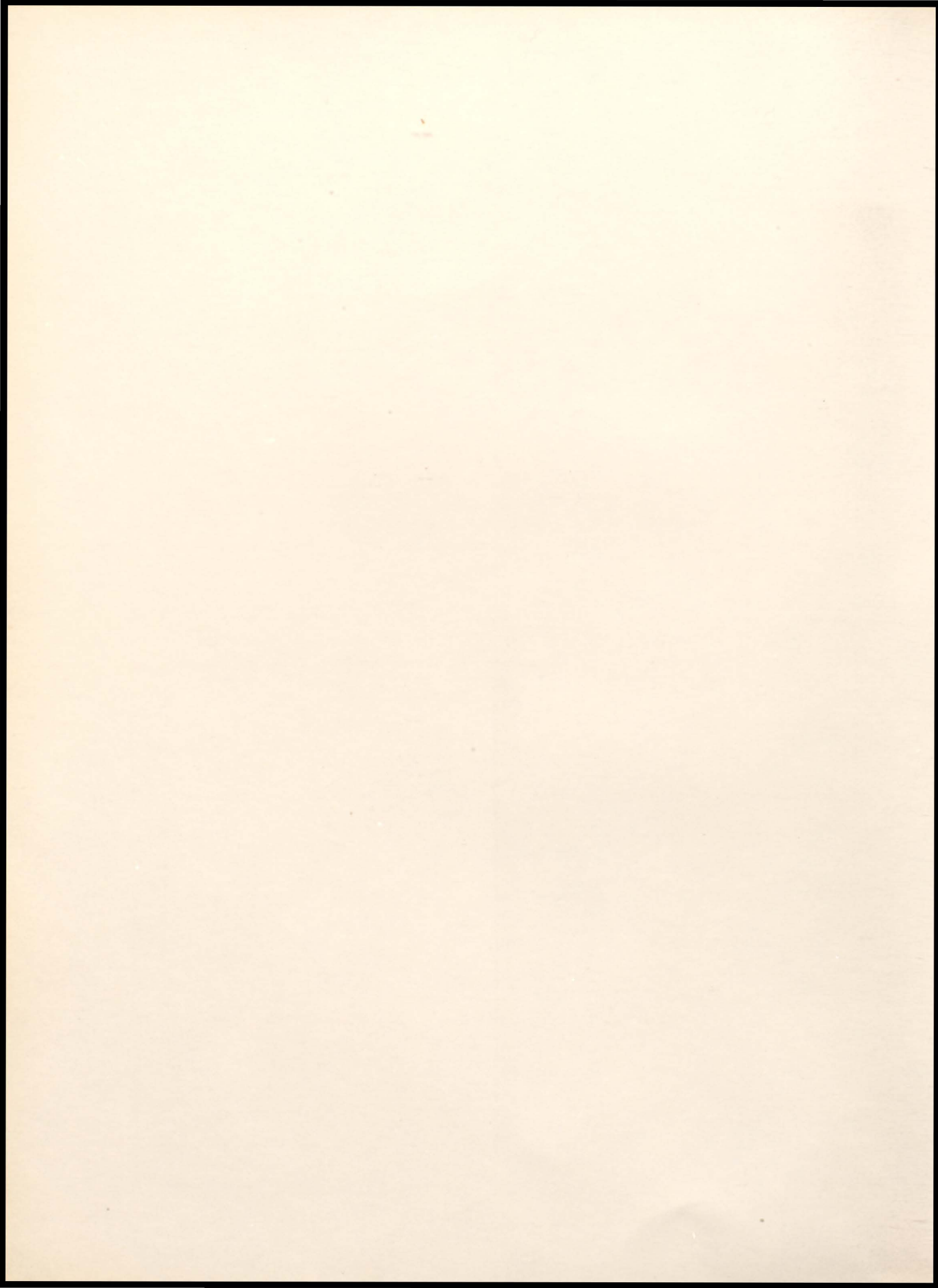
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I thought the school year would be changing as we moved into the new school and as I entered High School. I'm looking forward to it.
—Scott Stone



It's All

A Matter of Perspective

The 1987-88 school year brought many new faces to Cross Roads, and most of the familiar ones that have become as much a part of this community as the school itself returned. As a matter of fact, one of those unfamiliar faces belonged to the campus, since a new high school facility now rests on a spot covered not long ago by trees.

Each resident of the Cross Roads area, whether a recent arrival or a well-known friend, sees things in a unique way — from his/her own perspective. By looking at this year from these different viewpoints, we see things in a brighter, truer light. We observe not only the ob-

For sale? Despite the realty sign, Cross Roads students and faculty are far from finished with the new facility. Members of the junior class placed the sign in its peculiar position during a spirit contest before the last basketball pep rally.

vious substance, but also the finer details which define the intricate personality of our school and community.

To see this "big picture", it is necessary to step outside our own views and look around at the people underneath the faces we see. After doing so it becomes clear that Cross Roads is much more than just a place to go to school. It's all a matter of perspective.

New ties Gary Holder and Jennifer Mewbourn gain new insight into the outdoors by participating in Nature Studies classes.





Living Thanksgiving Elementary students saw American History in a new light when they re-enacted the first Thanksgiving dinner.

Through the eyes of a child Mr. Lewis' new baby girl Maggie takes a look at her daddy's work-place.



Traffic jam Students of all ages shared the experience of waiting in line for their new schedules.



Sitting pretty Two faces that share the views of friendship enjoy an autumn evening. Trista Brashear and Cindy Bridwell meet to watch a Bobcat football game.

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Countertop cooking Deana Akins, Kim Bishop and Steve Sifers find Homemaking more interesting when they get to eat their assignments.

The Pencil Principle (bottom) Michael Lowry and Robert LaVohn take a closer look at their Pre-Calculus homework.

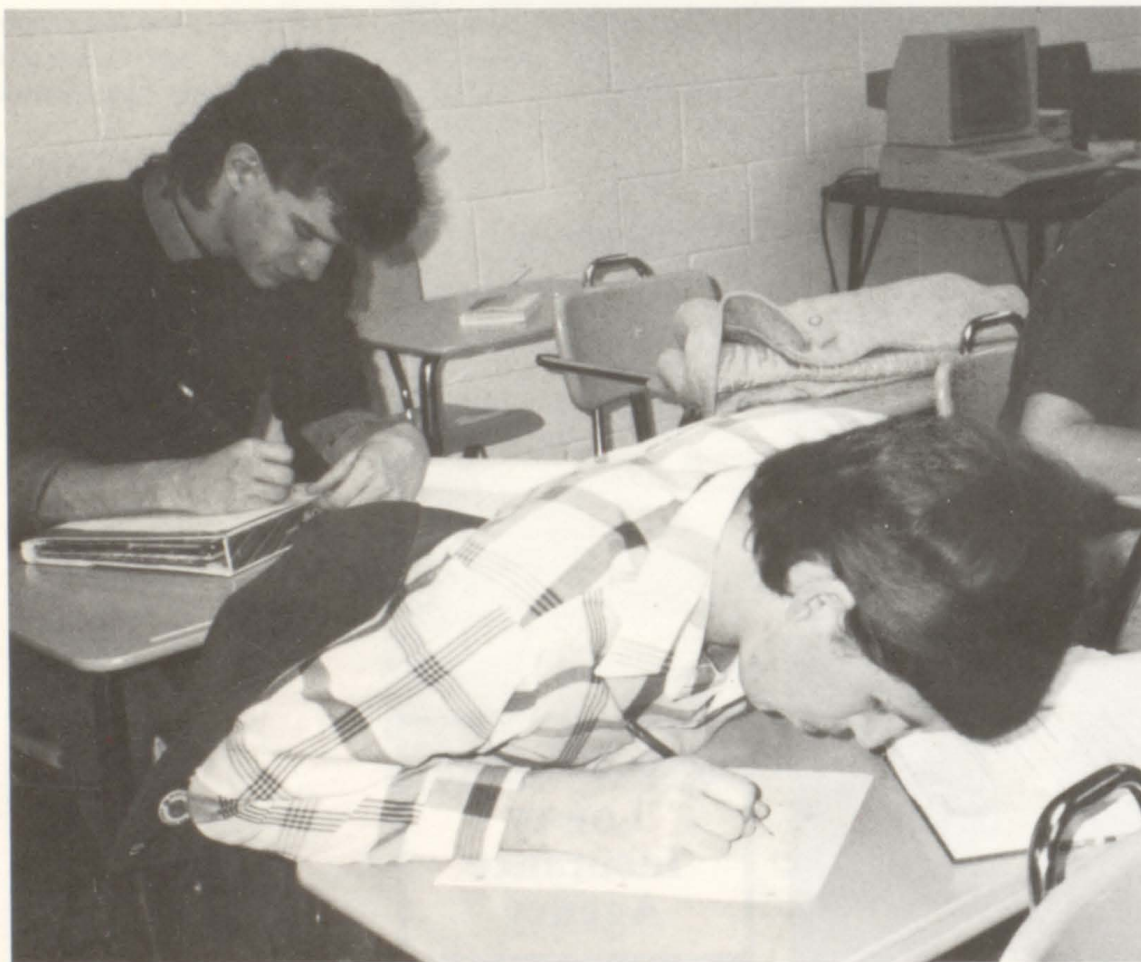


“Why are ya’ll asking so many questions?” Kim Mattingly expressed the feelings of many Cross Roads students concerning the numerous interviews conducted by the 88 Bobcat yearbook staff.

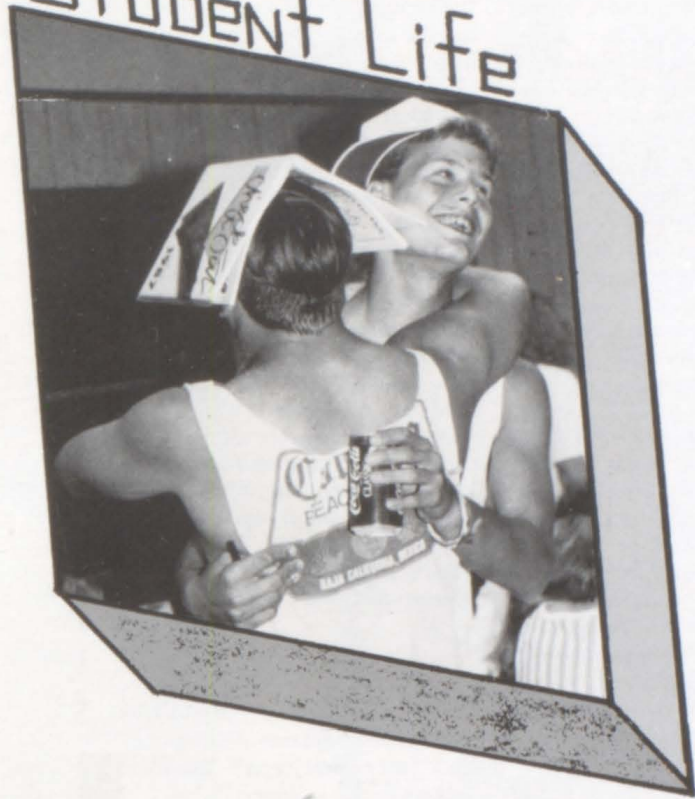
The answer is actually quite simple. To find new perspectives, one must ask for them; and ask we did. Managers were interviewed to find a fresh view of football and basketball. Students expressed opinions on everything from the colors of the halls in the new high school to gaining a salad bar this

year. Everyone’s perspective counted. Tara Farmer offered her views on junior high basketball, Rabon Metcalf commented about One Act Play and Donnie Patterson gave an opinion on the pilot baseball season as well as the new baseball field. Countless others contributed their points of view to the 1987-88 school year. Together, they created a collage of ideas and images that made this year a year of perspectives.

From the stage Andrea Burnett works on a scene during a One Act Play practice.



Student Life



Student Life
means joking
around with each
other and caring.
Being there for
a friend/student
in need.
Chris Coker

Moving On To

Bigger And Better Things

Tote that barge! Lift that bale!" Change to more modern terminology and you would have a few popular phrases used by students and faculty moving into the new high school facilities.

The construction of the new building became one of the biggest events in Cross Roads history. Everyone involved was anxious to be settled into their new cubicles. But first came the more unpleasant task of moving in.

Many teachers possessed boxes full of files that needed to be carted to their new positions. Many faculty members took the opportunity to clean house, and trash cans were filled with ancient teaching materials. Boxes loaded with textbooks put dollies and their drivers in big demand.

Students played a large part in the actual transportation of equipment to the new high school. Samuel Austin explained almost universal cooperation by stating that "participation is great because we get out of class". Students moved their own belongings beginning January 22nd.

Most were delighted to leave the cramped halls behind.

The high school population was not the only group proud to move into new facilities. Junior high classes were moved up into the old high school rooms, and students finally had the room to maneuver in hallways. Elementary classes vacated temporary buildings for the quieter surroundings of a real brick structure. Other adjustments will surely be made in the future to utilize the band and homemaking facilities left behind as the high school students moved on.

Many construction projects were still incomplete as the move took place. The parking lots, for instance, were still full of mud. When they dried up the wind would blow across the sand to produce eye-watering results. Nurserymen were still putting the

finishing touches on landscaping as well.

Some students were still concerned about the confusion factor. Clint Sorrell predicted that "there will be mass confusion and no one will know where they are going." That was true to some extent for the first few days as students

reacted to their unfamiliar surroundings. Quiet tones had even replaced the long-recognized bells that had controlled students in the past. The orchestrated chaos of the move was replaced by adjustment to and enjoyment of the improved facilities.



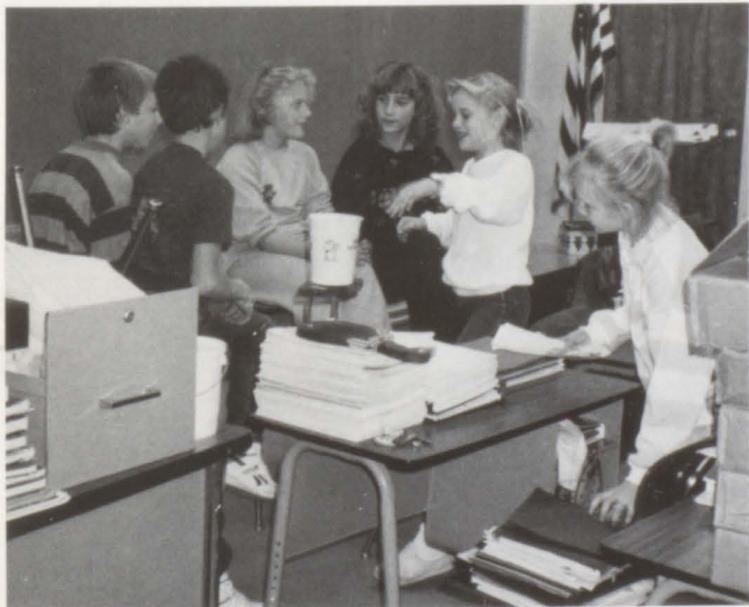
Wild goose chase? Freshmen Jessica Forney, Melanie Willingham, and Tracy Hull search for their lockers in the yellow hall.



Lost and found Junior Jenny Scoggin is aided by Chuck Brown, John Holland, Karl Butler, and Cindy Bridwell in finding her classes in the relatively complicated new high school building.

Clear view Sophomore Justin Gunnels uses lab goggles to improve his perception of the new building.





Moving up Fifth graders Josh Monroe, Greg Avant, Angie Dewees, Satcy Dixon, and Terri Gunnels help reorganize supplies in their new room.

Working women Seniors Jenny Vaughn and Missy Morgan become part of the desk patrol in the old junior high building. The moving process involved nearly every student on campus.

New High School Becomes Reality

Home At Last!

After seemingly endless construction, the new Cross Roads High School building was finally completed. After the hectic days of moving in were over, the faculty and students began to settle in and to examine their new surroundings.

Most students held high expectations for the new school and they weren't disappointed. The spacious hallways allowed more efficient mid-class movement. The lockers offered much more space for those seldom-used textbooks, although their increased altitude created problems for some.

Some areas of the new building were especially popular with students. Like almost everyone else, senior Alicia McWhorter liked the bobcat mosaic in the rounded foyer which represents the classic rock tower. Students also enjoyed congregating in the open atmosphere of the commons area.

Classes were localized into one of three halls, color-coded more for aesthetic value than anything else. As Mr. Lewis said, "What's important is what's going on in the classroom." Different halls contained related classes, which made those first few days of orientation easier for many.

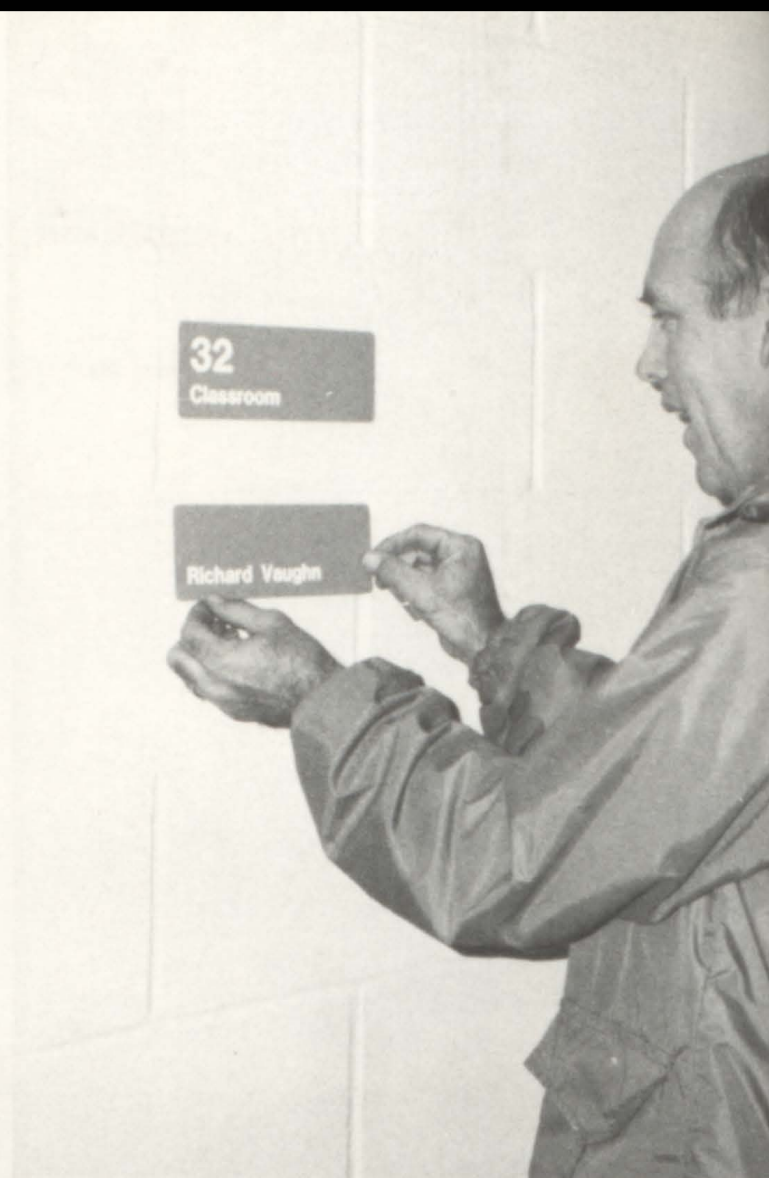
The new auditorium will

no doubt garner its share of applause. Looking forward to graduation, senior Keith Butler remarked that "it will be a lot better walking across a stage instead of a football field or basketball court." A complex lighting and sound system highlights the auditorium which adjoins the multi-purpose commons area.

Teachers were also overjoyed with the new facility. Science teacher Chuck Holt commented that "I believe it's a real privilege for a school our size to move into a building that educationally functional." Some teachers commuted between high school and junior high classes. Coach Richard Vaughn said that he expected to be late to class a few times, but that students shouldn't expect the same privilege. Apparently some things *never* change.

Prowling tiles This mosaic of the Cross Roads crest proved to be a popular feature of the new building.

Increased choices Kathy Cannon and Siovhan Upchurch look over the spread in the salad bar of the new cafeteria. This new facility allowed enough space and choices to actually enjoy a cafeteria lunch.





Taking possession Billy Hughes seems proud to help Coach Vaughn affix his nameplate outside his new room.

Taking stock Mrs. McKinney's room serves as a paint storehouse shortly before completion.



Pride revealed Along the rear wall of the auditorium, Cross Roads spirit is written with a bold stroke.

Uncommonly good John Holland talks with Ginny Hicks during break in the new commons area, a popular meeting place for students both before and during school.



Masquerade!

Prom Brings Out The Best

What's silver and black and red all over? Prom '88. This year's junior class put in long tedious hours assembling decorations to use for "Masquerade." They were funded by concession stands being worked, cookies sold, and enough candy bars and M&M's sold to satisfy anyone's sweet tooth for years. The night that everyone had waited for was almost here.

"What does your dress look like?" was an often asked question among the female population at Cross Roads. Dresses and dress patterns and material had been searched for until the perfect ones were found. Tuxedos, boutonnieres, and corsages were ordered as

were other necessary accessories. Appointments were made for hairstyling and for tanning sessions. All of this added up to a lot of money. This year promgoers spared no expense. They were dressed to kill in outfits ranging from black tie and tails with floor-length dresses, to Wranglers and boots with minidresses. The junior-senior prom had finally arrived and the months of preparations would pay off.

Masked avengers? Donny Patterson and Larry Chandler try to hide their true identities using prom table decorations.

Slowing down Clint Davis and Tammy Wallace enjoy a break from the fast pace of rock and roll.

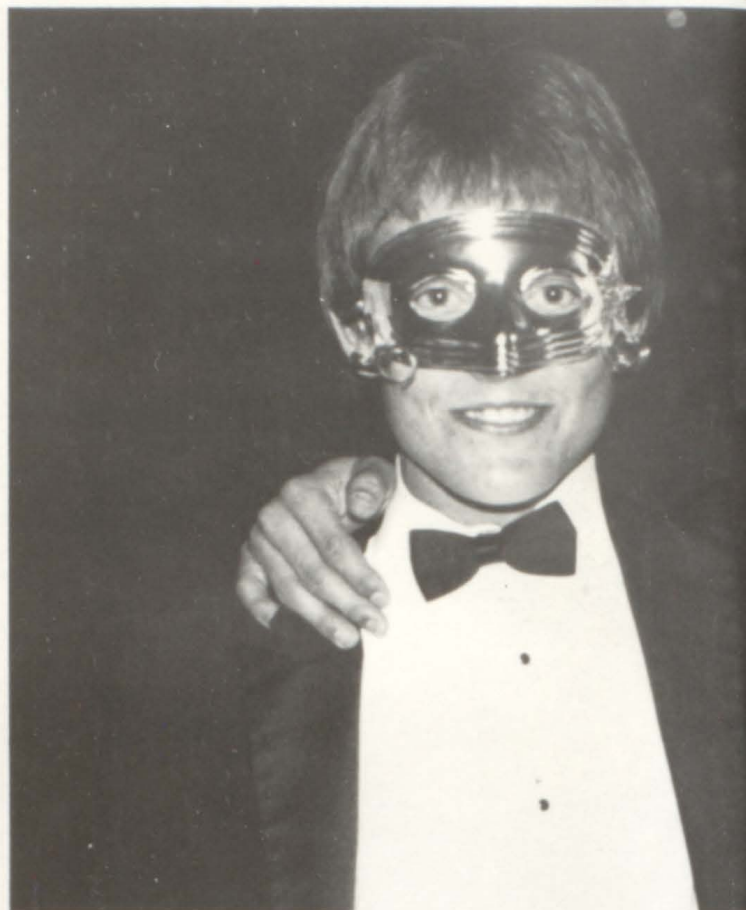


Photo opportunity Justin Gunnels, Fawn Killman, Lisa Alexander, and Shayne Surls pass the time together as they wait to have their picture made.

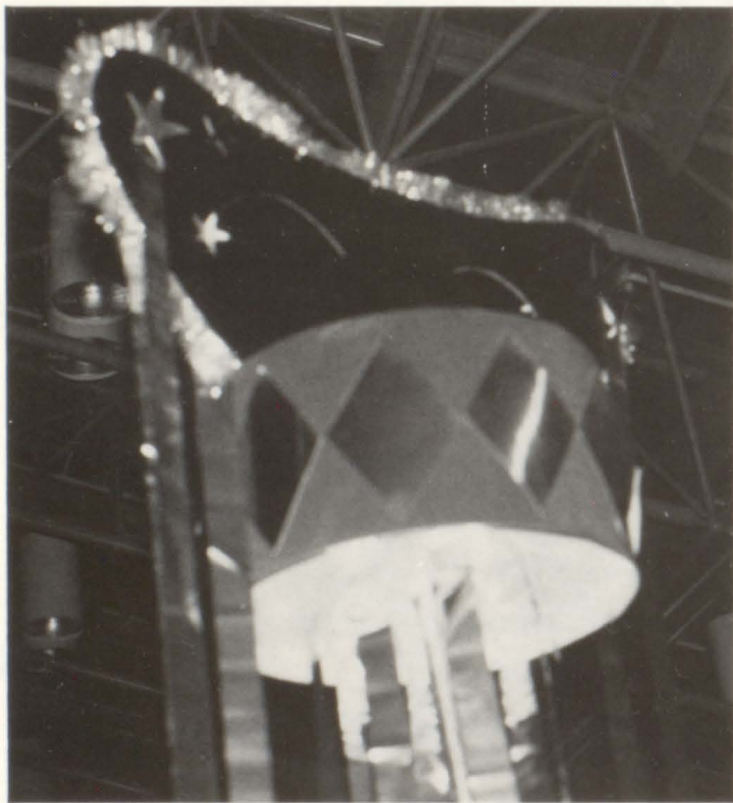


In the groove Fawn Killman puts all her energy into her dancing. Fawn and three other sophomores served as ushers for the event.



Looking good Leslie Dodd attempts to keep Chuck Brown looking spiffy by adjusting his bow tie.

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Masks and mystery Columns like these transformed the Cain Center into a festive environment.

Loosening up Scott Anding enjoys a brief moment of total abandon as Les Loden and Laura Smith look on.



The Evening Winds Down

Special moments (left) Jennifer Camp beknight's date Mike Kuhn in an interlude between dances.

Prom glow Natalie Coleman's smile says it all as she relaxes with a cold drink between dances.



Tuxes for two Steve Sifers and date Sharla Slaton dance cheek to cheek in matching tuxes.

"Cabbage Patch?" No dolls here; this was just one of the dances the juniors and seniors did at prom '88. As the upbeat music played, all enjoyed the dancing laser light show. Meanwhile, the backdrop for the prom pictures had ideas of its own and fell down six times during the evening, but no spirits were dampened here. Lights whirled, cameras flashed, and smiles shone. The students danced until midnight.

Afterwards, tired promgoers slipped out of their formalwear and into

their swimsuits. Bashful girls in new bathing suits and showoffs on the diving board both enjoyed a cool dip in the pool to refresh their tired feet.

All of the fun created big appetites that were conquered by cake and Domino's pizza. The night dwindled down, as did the number of students that remained. Glasses, garters, and masks were distributed and goodbyes were exchanged. Senior Robert LaVohn summed up the evening by saying, "It was the best prom ever!"

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Homecoming 1987

A Night To Remember

The faint sound of hard rock music comes from within the old gym where the Bobcats are literally banging their heads in preparation for the big game. The air is filled with excitement. We have waited for five weeks for Homecoming Friday to arrive. The band is warming up, the football team is psyched up, and the fans are on the edges of their seats.

Weeks of hard work, mum sales, spirit days, and guys scraping together last-minute dates are over. We finally get to see the game against the Scurry-Rosser Wildcats, rock out at the homecoming dance, and visit with Cross Roads ex-students.

The wind is up, blowing the streamers of the mums into a ruffled frenzy. All of the fans have their hands in the air, yelling for the kickoff.

The game progresses and the fans are full of enthusiasm, as is our Diesel Defense — we are winning! Before we know it, halftime is here. The band displays an impressive program with upbeat music and sharp marching. The

football sweetheart nominees anxiously wait with their fathers for the announcement of the winner. The Cross Roads 1987 Football Sweetheart is ... Jerri Davis, senior. Cameras flash and happy tears flow — the night is half over.

Now the game continues. The Bobcats, described by junior Les Loden as "dominant and united", live up to our expectations as they run back onto the field through the spirit line to finish off the Wildcats. The team does just that, securing a solid 32-2 victory to celebrate Homecoming.

After the game, students rush to the gym to release some of their energy on the dance floor. Senior DJ Michael Lowry spins the tunes and the students dance till midnight.

The evening is over sooner than we wish. The football team is satisfied with a well-played contest, the band is pleased with an outstanding performance, and the rest of the student body is exhausted with tired feet and hoarse voices. Homecoming 1987 takes its place in our memories.

Go Bobcats! Festooned with elaborate mums, Cindy Coker and Julie Hall urge on the Bobcats from the sidelines.

Six more Senior Billy Hughes adds to the scoreboard with a touchdown run against Scurry.





Traditional sales Jenny Vaughn delivers a mum to Keith Butler. Seniors sold the flowers as a fundraiser.



All wrapped up (above left) Cheerleaders lost much sleep decorating the halls, lockers, and the home of football player Chris Coker.

Past and present (above) 1987 Football Sweetheart Jerri Davis is accompanied by last year's sweetheart Jenny Scoggin.



Sweetheart nominees 1986 Sweetheart Jenny Scoggin, senior Katha Black, 1987 Sweetheart senior Jerri Davis, freshman Leslie Dodd, sophomore Angie Barnes, and junior Trista Brashear.

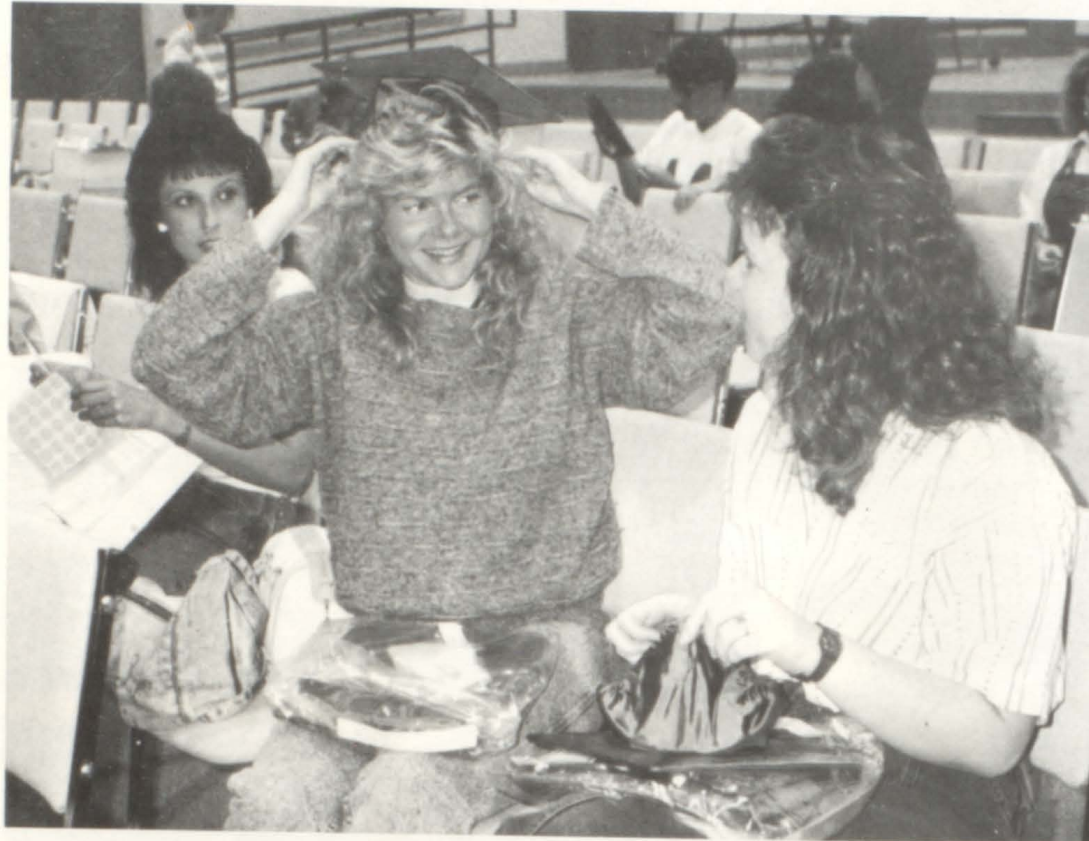
Foreign Intrigue

Exchange Student Likes The View

How would you like to be caught in the middle of 150 people speaking a foreign language? Cross Roads' first foreign exchange student, Hjordis Gaard, knew the feeling well. Hailing from the Faroe Islands off the coast of Denmark, Hjordis had a lot of adjusting to do when she arrived in Texas in August of 1987.

The most difficult adjustment she encountered was the language barrier. Suddenly she was forced to translate everything she heard, read, or thought into English. Six years of British English study hardly prepared her for the Texas twang and slang.

Hjordis enjoyed the people and the weather of Texas a great deal. She gained new insight into a different culture during her stay here.. She became very attached to her friends and the Haneys, her sponsor family. Leaving them behind to travel over the United States with her parents would prove difficult. On leaving Hjordis wished "to thank every one of you for helping me and answering all my questions. I will save all your smiles in my heart forever."



Final images Hjordis Gaard shares her perspective of Cross Roads and the larger world as special speaker at graduation.



American style (above) Hjordis Gaard and Karl Butler share some fast food during a break at Student Council convention in Austin.

Nearing the end Kathy Cannon and Becky Drummond explain to Hjordis the secret of keeping a moratboard on your head as graduation grows near.

Close friends Student Council president Wes Black shows Hjordis Gaard the steps on the Student Council trip to Austin.

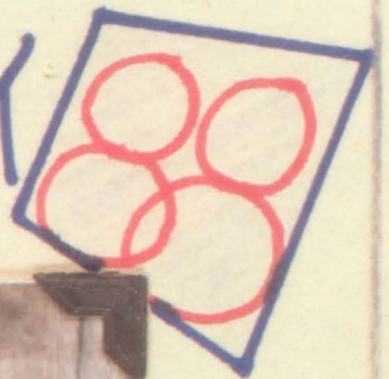


The Personal Perspective

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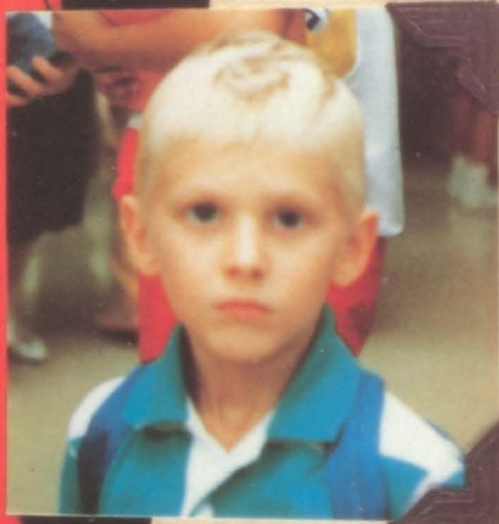
Fajita Frenzy!!



David Sutton
and Sharla Graham
dance the night away
at the "Junior High
Prom" (better known as
the Valentine's dance).



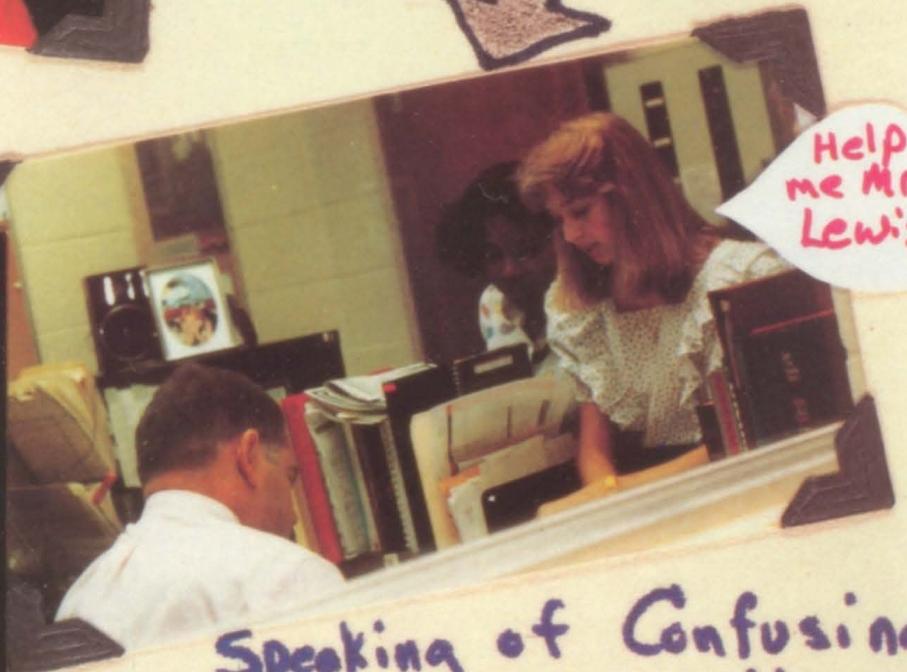
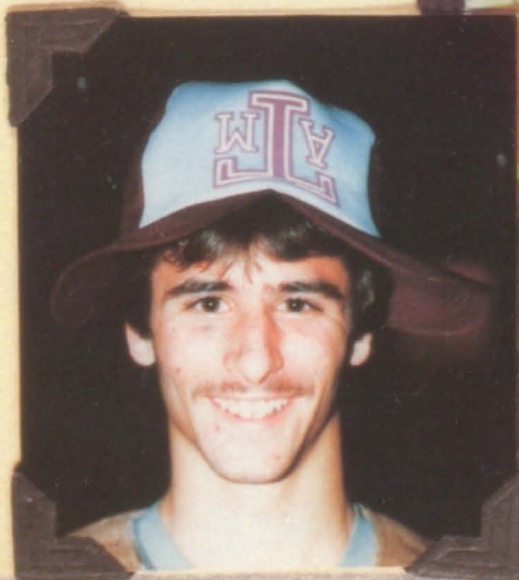
The Halloween
Carnival didn't
scare **Spence Airheart**
as much as
Shawn Cummings' first
day of school.



For **Melanie**
Willingham and
Latonya Barron,

The first day
of school
wasn't scary,
just

CONFUSING



Help
me Mr.
Lewis!

Speaking of Confusing,
just what's wrong with
Larry Chandler's cap?



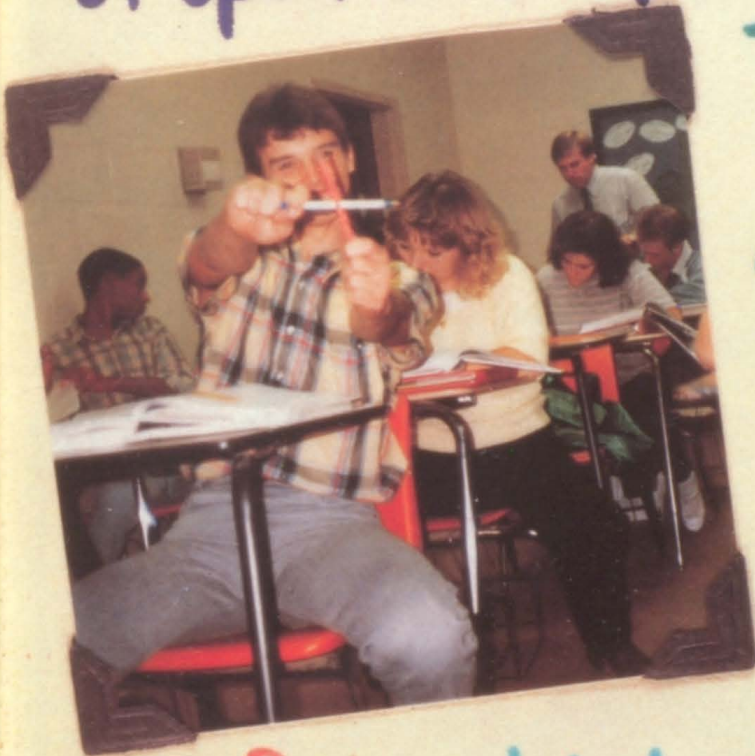
The Sophomores showed a lot of spirit at the last basketball pep rally.



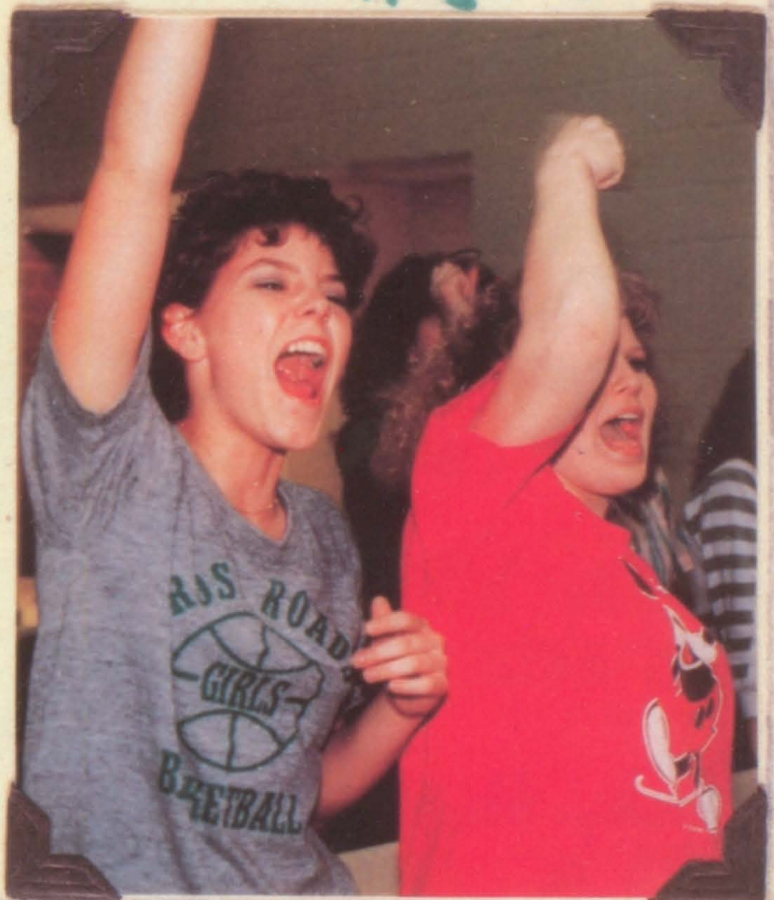
Hjordis Gaard showed a lot of spirit for a cupcake.



Tanny Wallace and Jerri Davis gave a **SENIOR SCREAM** at the first pep rally in the new High School.



Chuck Brown tried to ward off the **EVIL POP QUIZ** as the rest of the Juniors tried to get ready for it.





Cheerleader
Coach **Mark Sartain**
and the rest of
the "**California
Prunes**" were the
hit of the Pep
Rally, **Michael
Lowry** was a hit
with Coach Mark's
little sister
Michelle, and
Wesley Boyde
finally hit that
low note.



Gosh, this year
was a **BLAST!**



Class of 1988

Seniors Reflect On The Year

Some things never change. Each year a new class of seniors prepares to graduate, and each year they all say the same thing. "I wish I would have tried harder" seems to be a familiar phrase. This year's prospective graduates have something different to add to the usual regrets. As Billy Hughes commented, "I probably would've kept myself and Junior in line so we wouldn't have had to clean up the lunchroom so much."

When the seniors reflect on the last four years, vivid pictures stand out in their

memories. Mr. Lewis gave his annual "friend paying for your groceries" speech. The freshman class seemed to become more immature than the seniors ever could have been. There were many days when they really wanted to come to school but didn't quite make it.

As every senior will hesitantly admit, they will miss many things about high school. Jerri Davis summed it up best when she said, "I'll miss the close contact with most of the seniors in our class."

Seniors 88 (front row) Nicky Hall, Scott Anding, Steve Sifers, Rhonda Sebastian, Becky Drummond, Susan Busch, Jerri Davis, Kathy Cannon, Missy Morgan, Michael Lowry, Alicia McWhorter, Daniel Holmes, Tammy Wallace, Clint Davis, Daina Moseley (back row) Robert LaVohn, Jenny Vaughn, Billy Hughes, Hjordis Gaard, Scott Shute, David Burns, Cindy Hart, Katha Black, Julie Gideon, Keith Butler, Leigh Anne Greene, Renate Rakestraw.

That Senior Outlook

"I've got Senioritis and I don't care."

Leigh Anne Greene

"I'm going to leave in July for college in Houston."

Nicky Hall

"You know you're a senior when you get that diploma in your hand."

David Burns

"I'm going to further my education at the University of Arkansas at Monticello. Go Boll Weevils!"

Keith Butler

Congress in Cross Roads U.S. Representative Jim Chapman speaks to those present at the dedication of the new High School.



High Spirits Willie Rhodes, grandmother to Phillip and Mike Kuhn, and Elva Coker, Chris and Cindy Coker's granny, prove that age means nothing when it comes to supporting your team.



Red, white, and blue. Colors filled the gym as the members of the Trinidad VFW and Ladies Auxiliary present Student Council President Wes Black with flags for each school room.



Every little bit helps . . .

Boosters Lend Aid

It has been said that Cross Roads consists of a few stores, a few houses, a couple of stop signs . . . and a school.

The community is the school, and the school is the community. Virtually everyone is involved in one or more school activities. Concerned citizens of the district become well known to each other. Occasionally, some choose to organize themselves into groups.

The Booster Club and

Band Booster Club are both designed to promote student achievement in various areas. They accomplish this through various fundraisers, award banquets for athletics and band, and by sponsoring scholarships for graduating seniors.

The Booster Club raises money primarily through football concession stands. Powerlifting equipment and caps for the baseball team were purchased. They bought a modular

cell, a laser and other equipment for the Science department. They also sponsor the All-Sports Banquet, at which certificates were presented to all high school athletes.

The Band Booster Club acquires its funds through such fundraisers as the Halloween Carnival and the Band Carwash (which the Band worked). They often work basketball and track concession stands, and are devoting their profits to sending band stu-

dents to CRHS Band Camp in the summer.

Of course, not all supporters belong to one of the above organizations. Boosters come in all shapes, sizes, and ages. However, they all have one thing in common: they support students in their endeavors. This community involvement remains a tremendous asset in the growth and development of Cross Roads ISD.



Futures foretold "The Crystal Ball tells all," says Jodi Lavohn, shown here trying to raise the fortunes of the Band Booster Club by telling fortunes at the Halloween Carnival.



Please buy a ticket! Joanne Glasgow and Glenda Gunnels raffle off chances for the game ball to earn money for the Booster Club.

UIL Literary Team Claims District Title

Three Advance To State

Though it might not seem so, there is probably as much sweat involved in UIL Literary competitions as in athletic events. Calculator contestant Daniel Holmes estimated that he took 40 or 50 practice tests in preparation for District and Regional Competition.

After the contest, when you are finished writing, speaking, or thinking, the hard part arrives: sweating out the results. Such phrases as "I did really lousy on that test," or "Wasn't that the worst topic you ever read?," or "When will the results of the Journalism contests be announced?" are on everyone's lips.

But like athletic contests, a lot of sweating is worth it if you advance to the next level of competition. Twenty-one students attended the District contest. They earned Cross Roads' first victory in AA competition. Students earned 3 third place positions, 6 second places, and an outstanding 8 gold medals. In all, twelve students advanced to Regional. The goals were set, and the highest was the State Contest in Austin.

Three seniors, Katha Black, Robert LaVohn, and

Michael Lowry, qualified for State competitions. Katha placed third in Region in typewriting, Robert was third in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, and Michael was the Regional winner in Ready Writing. A fourth senior, Julie Gideon, placed fourth in accounting and accompanied the trio to Austin. Also along for the ride was the cast and crew of the State Alternate One-Act Play.

There were a few hectic moments, but overall the trip was a timely diversion from the classroom routine. A rushed trip to the contest site didn't bother Michael. His essay earned him a third place finish.

Though only one contestant earned a medal at State, all present enjoyed the trip. On the journey home, Michael received a special congratulation from sponsors Rick and Sherri Cockrell and Jayna Shull. While feasting at Bennigan's, Michael was presented with a cake by Ms. Shull — squarely in the face.

Please, please, please! Andrea Burnett shows her anxiety while awaiting the results of Feature Writing at District competition. Andrea placed first and advanced to the Regional contest.

Somewhere out there ... Katha Black and Julie Gideon study the posted schedule to determine where and when their events will be held.





State Contestants Robert LaVohn, Lincoln-Douglas Debate; Katha Black, Typewriting; Julie Gideon, Alt.-Accounting; Michael Lowry, Third Place, Ready Writing.



Regional Contestants (back) Julie Gideon, Michael Lowry, Katha Black, Daniel Holmes, Samuel Austin, John Holland, (front) Natalie Coleman, Tina Morrison, Andrea Burnett, Robert LaVohn, Melanie Willingham.



District Champions! (back) Julie Gideon, Michael Lowry, Katha Black, Chris Coker, Daniel Holmes, Samuel Austin, Billy Hughes, John Holland, Robert LaVohn, Keith Butler, (front) Stephanie Upchurch, Natalie Coleman, Tina Morrison, Andrea Burnett, Jenny Scoggin, Leslie Dodd, Melanie Willingham, Cindy Bridwell.

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Playing For Keeps

One-Act Play Takes Region

Practice every day after school, makeup, hair with tons of mousse, styling gel, and out-of-date costumes were items that all cast and crew members from One-Act Play had to deal with.

To perform *To Kill A Mockingbird* convincingly, the cast members had to change much about themselves. To become their character each person had to wear an old-fashioned costume that for most were very uncomfortable. The makeup was difficult for the guys to get used to, and everyone had to appear older or younger. Hair was greased down or tinted gray.

District competition was a nerve-wracking time for the cast and crew, especially those who were less experienced in dramatics. On top of all the nervousness, the curtains broke at the onset of their performance and the sound system refused to cooperate. The students pulled together as a team and came through to advance to area contest.

Facing tough competition, the One-Act Play continued to impress the judges. They advanced to within one place of a state

contest bid. Along the way individuals garnered many awards, among these the best actor honors which went to Michael Lowry at both district and area competitions. Receiving other acting awards were Crystal Newton, Gerald Marshall, Chris Coker, Scott Stone, Jerri Davis, Robert LaVohn, and Andrea Burnett.

Reaping the rewards (top) Mrs. Cockrell and Ms. Shull rejoice as Cross Roads advances to area competition.

Testing justice The courtroom scene brings tension to a peak.



Character study Scott Stone, Crystal Newton, Fawn Killman, Jennifer Metcalf, and Tammy Wallace concentrate on the courtroom action. Student actors had to remain in character during each moment of the performance.

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Impressive defense (above) Michael Lowry gained Best Actor kudos for his portrayal of lawyer Atticus Finch.

Focused on the action Crystal Newton relives her childhood to play 9-year-old Scout.



Beaming with pride Chris Coker displays the acting medal he won at area contest.



One-Act Play (front) Rabon Metcalf, Samuel Austin, Robert LaVohn, Natalie Coleman, Gerald Marshall, Daniel Holmes, Scott Stone, Mike Kuhn, Keith Butler (back) Chris Coker, Mrs. Cockrell, Fawn Killman, Jennifer Metcalf, Jerri Davis, Andrea Burnett, Michael Lowry, Crystal Newton, Tammy Wallace, Clint Davis, Ms. Shull.

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An End, A Beginning

Graduation Sets The Stage

The evening was a culmination of years of education. To many, it was a goal they often felt might never be accomplished. But it did happen — and the Class of 1988 was indeed graduating.

Graduation ceremonies followed the traditional pattern for commencement. The evening began with an invocation and a welcome to those in attendance. Daniel Holmes delivered the salutatorian address, followed by the valedictorian address from Michael Lowry. Exchange student Hjordis Gaard shared her thoughts of the Cross Roads experience. Diplomas were finally conferred on the anxious seniors, and celebrations followed.

The emotions of the evening, however, ran far more deeply than the outward ceremony. Perspectives

on graduation differed greatly. Many were simply relieved to have completed the course of study necessary for a diploma. The tossing of mortarboards reflected their satisfaction that this portion of their life was behind them. Yet the tearful hugs and heartfelt goodbyes revealed a sadness that was present as well. The Class of 1988, a closeknit family of varied personalities, was altered forever by the evening's events. Graduation represented the end to their closeness, perhaps, but a beginning of the opportunities of The Real World. The future was waiting.

That senior feeling Cindy Hart reveals the emotions of graduation as she celebrates with family members.



Final goal (left) School board president Mark Davis presents valedictorian Michael Lowry with his diploma and congratulations.

Ready and waiting (above) Jeremy Whaley, a work program senior, and Keith Butler prepare for the ceremonies.



Last-minute help (above) Renate Rakestraw stands patiently as Leigh Anne Greene adjusts her graduation gown. Late nerves were common among the thirty graduates.



Past, present, and future Salutatorian Daniel Holmes adds his thoughts on the milestone of graduation.



Over and done Mohawked Scott Anding and Tammy Wallace share a hug and unspoken memories as they celebrate following the ceremony.

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Feasts Finalize Year

Sports Banquet Recognizes Athletes

Sports play an important role in many students' lives. That fact was evident in the number of awards presented at the Sports Banquet. Held in the new cafeteria April 4th, the annual banquet honored not only the great athletes but also the vital participants who may not always have played, but contributed much-needed teamwork. Guest speaker Carl Andress, TVCC head football coach, spoke about being proud of one's heritage, setting goals, and surrounding oneself with positive people.

Athletic competition demands much from a student — dedication, sportmanship, and a strong desire to succeed. This thought was best summed up by head football coach

Mark Sartain's words: "If better is possible, then good is not enough."

MVPs (above) Tammy Wallace, Basketball; Billy Hughes, Football; Chuck Brown, Basketball; Scott Shute, Powerlifting; John Holland, Golf; Michelle Sartain, Golf

Football honors Chuck Brown, David Burns, Wes Black, Scott Anding, John Holland, Scott Shute, Clint Davis, and Billy Hughes snagged individual awards.



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Girls Basketball awards (above) Siovhan Upchurch, Stephanie Upchurch, Tammy Wallace, and Renate Rakestraw took individual honors in their sport.

Boys Basketball honors (right) Chris Coker, Billy Hughes, John Holland, Michael Lowry, Wes Black, and Chuck Brown were rewarded for their efforts.



Band Reflects On Year

Band members dedicated much of their year to their music. The Band Booster Club honored their commitment by treating them to a meal

in their honor. The third annual Band Banquet held on Saturday, May 14th was the scene of many awards and much entertainment. Students and parents were congratulated on their achievements, and the support of band boosters was applauded.

Outstanding band members (front row) Stacy Harris, Bryan Hehmann, Lee Walker (2nd row) Mitch Farnham, Jennifer Pearce, Amy Buchinger, Geneva Hehmann, Natalie Coleman (back row) Daniel Holmes, Scott Stone, Samuel Austin (not shown) Fawn Killman.



World's Most Dangerous Band (above left) Band students James Spears, Trent Jones, alumni Stephen Watt, Rabon Metcalf, Samuel Austin, Robert LaVohn, and Shane Pruitt entertain the crowd with a few tunes.

Superlatives (above) Robert LaVohn was honored as Outstanding Bandsman, Danielle Jones took Outstanding Musician honors, and Michael Lowry was awarded Most Improved.

Booster Booster Don Sutton was recognized as an outstanding band booster at the annual gathering.

Band Booster Scholarships Band Booster Club treasurer Francis Buchinger presents scholarship checks to graduating band seniors Daniel Holmes, Robert LaVohn, and Michael Lowry.

Honors Abound Year's Effort Rewarded

Another first! The Student Council decided there was a real need for a more formal academic awards ceremony. The result of their efforts was a special time of recognition for students who had excelled in various areas throughout the year.

Certificates honored A and B Honor Roll students. Those few who came to class each day were presented with perfect attendance awards. Individual teachers then honored students in their subject areas who had shown special promise and achievement. An emotional moment saw Beta Club members present retiring sponsor Bobbie Killpatrick with flowers and a gift to show their appreciation for her efforts. The Awards Ceremony brought together the entire student body to recognize the honors won by Cross Roads students this year.



Presidential Academic Fitness (above) Seniors Robert LaVohn, Becky Drummond, Daniel Holmes, Billy Hughes, Angie Anding, and Michael Lowry received certificates from President Reagan himself to honor academic achievement.

English/Social Studies (right) Awards went to (front) Katha Black, English IV; Stephanie Upchurch, English II; John Holland, English III; Scott Stone, English I; (back) Cindy Bridwell, World History; Michael Lowry, Drama; Angie Anding, Government.



Advanced Lettermen Earning letters in 5 or 6 sports were John Holland, Chris Coker, Wes Black, Jenny Scoggin, and Chip Crist.

FFA honors Winning special recognition were Justin Gunnels, Clint Sorrell, Kim Mattingly, Larry Chandler, and Shane Pruitt.





Math/Science (left) Earning kudos were (front) Daniel Holmes, Trig/PreCal; John Holland, Geom.; Scott Stone, Alg.I, Phys. Sci.; Kristi Weaver, Alg.II;(back) Robert LaVohn, Physics; Stephanie Upchurch, Biol.; Samuel Austin, Chem.

Track standouts (above) Track honors went to (front) Renate Rakestraw, Leslie Dodd, Tammy Wallace, (back) Billy Hughes, Chuck Brown, and Samuel Austin.

Freshman honors Rabon Metcalf and Scott Stone took American History awards.



History buffs (left) The history quiz team of Michael Lowry, Daniel Holmes, coach Richard Vaughn, Jenny Vaughn, and Robert LaVohn again won the competition at SFA.



Vocational awards (left) Subject honors went to (front) Melanie Willingham, Typing; Laura Smith, Home Economics; Lorie Buchinger, Computer; (back) Missy Morgan, Typing II; John Holland, Drafting; Julie Gideon, Accounting.

UIL Scholars (above) Seniors with outstanding academic careers and UIL involvement were Robert LaVohn, Billy Hughes, Daniel Holmes, Katha Black, and Michael Lowry.

Valedictorian Michael Lowry

Feature of Cross Roads I like the most: The people who go to school here.

Feature of Cross Roads I like the least: Knowing that once I leave I'll wish I were back.

Person who has influenced me the most: My mother.

Favorite cafeteria food: Hamburgers on Friday.

Least favorite cafeteria food: Spaceman burgers.

Item I'll miss the most: Angie.

Item I'll miss the least: Haircuts.

Best advice I ever gave: When I told my brother not to look up to me as a good example.

Best advice I ever got: Never forget who you are or pretend to be someone else.

Cross Roads in a phrase: There's no place like home.



Salutatorian Daniel Holmes

Feature I like most about Cross Roads: I like the people and their attitudes.

Feature I like least about Cross Roads: The ever-present resistance to change.

Person who has influenced me the most: My mother, Chuck Holt, Michael Lowry, Danielle Jones.

Favorite cafeteria food: I haven't eaten in the cafeteria since the first grade.

Least favorite cafeteria food: Everything.

Item I'll miss most: My

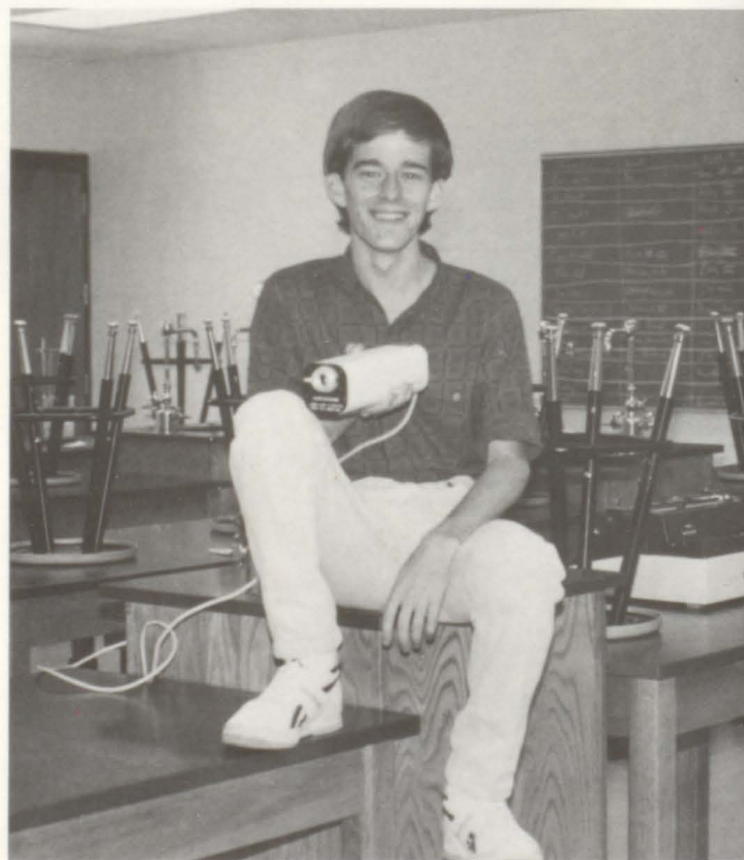
friends.

Item I'll miss least: The homework and getting up to come to school.

Best advice I ever gave: Do what you think is best for you and what you want to do, not what others think.

Best advice I ever got: Take responsibility for your actions.

Cross Roads in a phrase: There's no place quite like it.



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High School*

Billy Hughes

*Tammy
Wallace*

Bobcat Award



Jerri Davis

*Michael
Lowry*

That Collegiate Look

Seniors Cash In On Talents

SAT tests, grade point averages, extracurricular activities — they all added up to scholarship money for a large portion of the 1988 graduating class. Fully half of the thirty seniors left high school with scholarships waiting for them at the college of their choice. The endless applications and financial aid forms paid off in a measurable reduction in college costs.

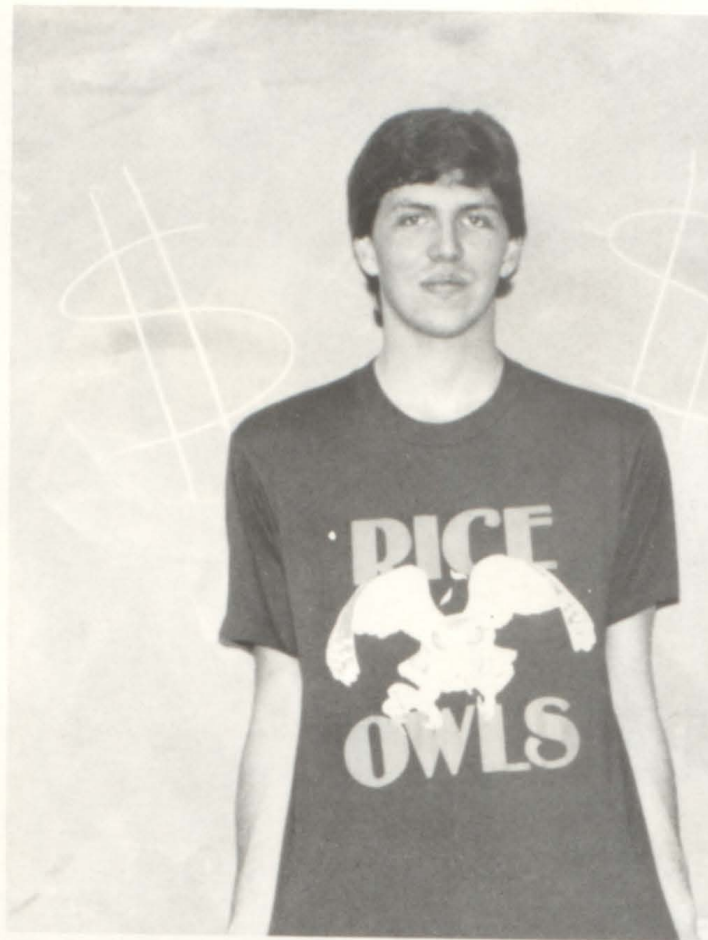
National Merit Scholar Robert LaVohn could have taken his pick of any number of universities. But when Rice University accepted him and offered him a National Merit Scholarship, he couldn't turn it down. One could hardly put a dollar value on a grant to attend one of the most respected universities in the Southwest. Education and journalism remain his fields of interest, and Robert will most likely adjust quickly to life in the big city of Houston.

Valedictorian Michael Lowry also had some difficult choices to make. Admittance and scholarships to the Ivy League Colgate University was assured, an honor only conferred upon three Texas students. Then Texas A&M University offered a President's Endowed University Scholarship worth \$18,000, making Michael part of an elite group of University

Scholars. Michael opted to accept their offer and stay closer to home. Medical school is his long-range goal at the moment.

Many Cross Roads seniors will spend a year or two taking preliminary coursework at Trinity Valley Community College in Athens. Scholarship and grant money will serve as a welcome addition to each student's college fund.

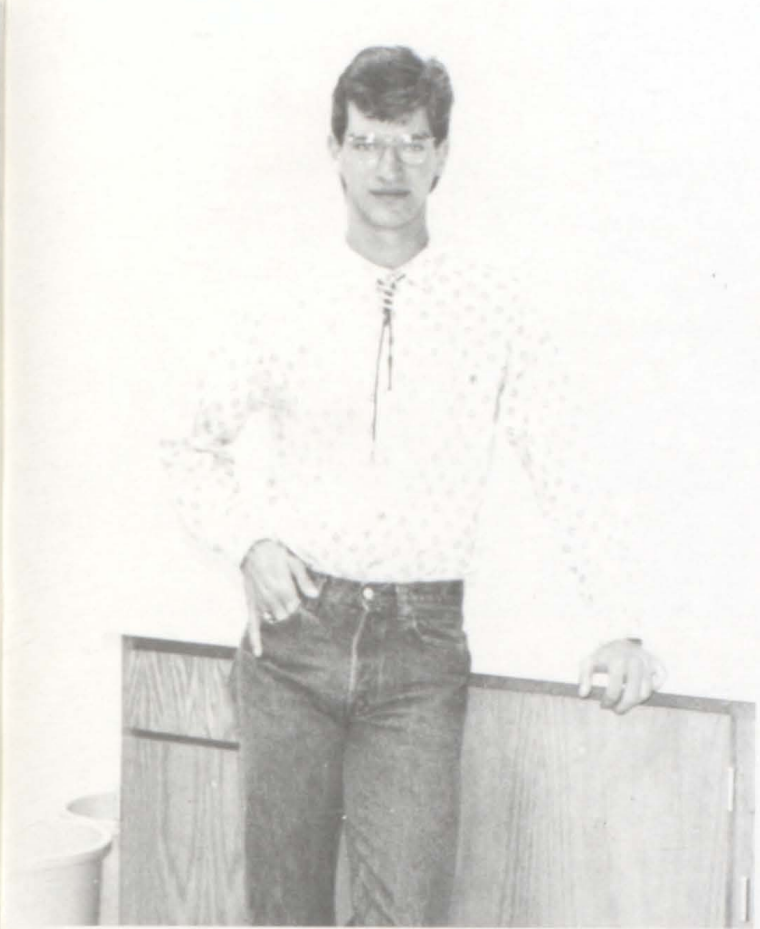
Rice-bound Robert LaVohn understands those dollar signs as he heads off to Rice University on a National Merit Scholarship.



Money makers Angie Anding received the Kinabrew Memeorial Scholarship, Michael Lowry took the Cross Roads Exes award, Daniel Holmes and Jenny Vaughn were Rotary Club scholarship winners, and Keith Butler will travel to Monticello, Arkansas on a Forestry Dept. scholarship from the University of Arkansas.

Proud voices The Trinity Valley Community College Choir awarded scholarship money to Scott Shute, Jerri Davis, and David Burns.





Aggie scholar (left) Michael Lowry enters a small group of elite recruits as he accepts a President's Endowed University Scholarship from Texas A&M University.

Athletics pays off Outstanding performance in basketball earned Renate Rakestraw an athletic scholarship at Hill County Junior College, while Scott Anding became Cross Roads' first football scholarship winner on his way to TVCC.



Band-backed (far left) Michael Lowry, Daniel Holmes, and Robert LaVohn received Band Booster Club scholarships as graduating band seniors.

Backed by boosters (near left) Billy Hughes and Tammy Wallace will take Booster Club scholarship money to college with them.

Academic excellence Trinity Valley Community College conferred scholarships on Katha Black, Daniel Holmes, and Julie Gideon on the basis of their academic accomplishments.



On The Road Again!

Seniors Take Big D By Storm

Normally when seniors wake up in the morning, there is an obvious lack of initiative towards going to school. This particular morning was different. Senior faces actually seemed glad to be here. Only one event would brighten up a morning quite like this. It was time to embark on Senior Trip 88.

After arriving in Dallas, the group's first stop was Malibu Gran Prix. Some students spent time golfing on the putt-putt courses. In the bumper boats, bumping and splashing in a pond was the name of the game. Julie Gideon especially enjoyed this because "I didn't get as wet as everyone else did." Afterwards, seniors took to the road in the Gran Prix racers. The thrill of barely-controlled speed bothered some, but not as much as "thinking I had the fastest time and then finding out that Daniel beat me" upset Keith Butler.

After a brief stop at the hard-to-locate Crowne Plaza Hotel, the group settled in for some serious pasta eating at the Old Spaghetti Warehouse. Then it was on to a local production of the hilarious melodrama *Fu Man Chu*. The audience was invited to respond to the actions on stage by cheering, booing, and throwing popcorn. Becky Drummond had a great time there except for "getting a fake spider thrown in my face."

After the theater experience, the entourage returned to the hotel to blow off a little steam. After staying up all night, however, seniors still found enough energy to appreciate a morning at Photon. The fantasy interaction laser game had everyone good-naturedly zapping each other as teams tried to outscore one another.

A trip to the Galleria mall was next. With shopping bags in hand, they packed off to Benihana's for dinner. Flashing knives and snappy patter by the chefs fascinated all as the meals were prepared before their eyes. No doubt they were equally impressed with the final price tag on the meal. Seniors didn't sell all those M&M's for nothing!

The seniors returned home satisfied that their senior trip had fulfilled all their expectations. In addition, the Class of 88 gained new insights into themselves and their sponsors.



Flashing knives (above) Keith Butler, Missy Morgan, Alicia McWhorter, Renate Rakestraw, and Becky Drummond are intrigued as the Benihana chef dissects shrimp in a unique way.

Ready to go (right) Tammy Wallace, Clint Davis, and Jerri Davis discuss the logistics of camera loading as they wait to board the vans for the trip to Dallas on Friday morning.



Armed and dangerous (left) Missy Morgan and Julie Gideon strap on equipment to ready themselves for battle, Photon-style.

Hole in one? (above) Missy Morgan, Alicia McWhorter, Jenny Vaughn, and Becky Drummond try to follow the progress of Becky's golfball on the putt-putt course.



Clear the road! Julie Gideon, Leigh Anne Greene, and Cindy Hart don helmets for a few laps around the Malibu Gran Prix racetrack. Daniel Holmes carded the best lap time.



Using imagination (left) Mrs. Kuhn looks on as Scott Shute, Billy Hughes, Nicky Hall, and Steve Sifers find different uses for the hand-cleansing towels at Benihana's. The chopsticks also posed a bit of a problem for some.



Water sport (left) Michael Lowry reveals his true destructive self as he attacks Robert LaVohn in a heated bumper boat attack.

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Just The Usual Everyday Events Shape The Year

It wasn't the big events that shaped the memories of the school year. It was the day-to-day routine, the status quo of experiences that set the stage for personal growth. Trying to find the English homework in that mess of a locker proved to be quite a challenge. Students struggled to wake up with a Coke in the commons area before school, with some just barely making it in from the parking lot before the first tardy bell. Friends gathered at tables to finish up that last bit of the worksheet that was due in five minutes. The school year is composed mostly of these moments.

Stimulating conversation (right) Clanton Richardson and David Hodges listen intently as Billy Carter leads the discussion at the break tables. The new high school gave students a place to sit and visit with friends during their brief free time.



Senior leadership (above) Seniors Keith Butler and Michael Lowry lead the class in new dance steps to "Heard It Through the Grapevine" at the final basketball pep rally. Small, closeknit classes mean stronger ties to the school and each other.

Togetherness (right) Close friendships like that of Jennifer Rogers and Geneva Hehmann help to make the days' troubles a little easier to handle. Here the pair shares laughter at a Bobcat football game.



Concentrated effort (right) Chip Crist pulls together all his brainpower to complete his Algebra I classwork.



Shooting for par Trent Jones and Rabon Metclaf challenge the computer to a game of golf. Breaktime saw many students trying to set new records on the Snack Attack disk.

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Sports

Knowing pride
means having
confidence and
believing in your
team and
yourself.
Stephanie Upchurch



Athletes Hope That Practice Makes Perfect

The excitement and energy of an athletic event draws a glamorous picture of touchdowns, breakaway layups, first place finishes, and home runs. However, only the athletes know the true story. Only the athletes show up for practice.

Practice is better described by the term "working out". For hours upon hours after the majority of the students have gone home, players of football, basketball, baseball, tennis and golf, as well as cross country and track runners, are working. They lift weights, they run, they sweat, they push themselves to levels sometimes greater than those in a game situation, and perhaps worst of all, they sit through seemingly endless "skull drills". These skull drills determine the mental aspect of competition. Plays are learned, signals called, and brains are trained to react more quickly and more correctly.

The worst thing about practicing is that practice is never as much fun as ac-

tual competition. The hours of lifting weights in a quiet gym can never measure up to the thrill of a powerlifting meet. Running around a cinder oval can get really monotonous unless a medal waits for the winner, and it's never as much fun to tackle a friend as it is to unload on an opponent. Practice is not fun, it's not exciting, and it's not something eagerly awaited. When all is said and done, it is, however, the deciding factor in who wins and who loses.

The team who wants to win most will work the hardest in practice as well as in a game. The athlete who forces his/her body to work harder than it wants to will have more to give when more is needed. The habits, actions, and attitudes of practice invariably spill into the arena.

Perhaps the reality of practice is summed up by these words posted on the wall of the old gym, "They say that you played a game; in practice, you worked."

Air it out Jason Logan and Clanton Richardson set up to block quarterback Wes Black lets one fly.

To the hoop Geneva Hehmann goes up for a jumpshot as Angie Anding and Renate Rakestraw wait for a rebound.





Pumping up Powerlifter Scott Anding pushes to lock out his bench press.

Against the wind Renate Rakes-traw runs into a stiff breeze during track practice.

Keep your eye on the ball Clint Sorrell stretches for the baseball as he warms up his arm before practice.



The Will To Win

Bobcats Crank It Up For Best Season Ever

The keys to success are class, heart, and will, all of which came together in this year's football team to form a winning combination. From their Diesel Defense to their incredible pass-rush offense, we couldn't have hoped for more. In the words of Donny Patterson, "We played with all the skills and heart we had."

The team combined their will and skills to reach their goal for the first winning season ever. They accomplished their first-ever come-from-behind victory against Cayuga. Scott Anding, Wes Black, and Chris Coker were recognized for

their abilities by receiving all-state honors, an achievement never before attained by any Cross Roads football player. For the first time ever, two individuals made over 1000 yards — Wes Black by passing and Billy Hughes by rushing.

The team's attitude about itself can best be summed up by Scott Shute, who said very simply, "Oooh! Ahhh!", when asked about the team. When Head Coach Mark Sartain called them "a class act . . .", he was right. The squad finished up third in district with a season record of 6-2-2, their best record ever.

Sideline concentration (above) Chris Coker's face show his desire to win as he listens attentively to the words of Head Coach Sartain (inset).

SCORES

Football

| Result | Opponent |
|--------|----------------|
| 14-14 | Frost |
| 62-0 | Cumby |
| 28-14 | Trinidad |
| 14-14 | Palmer |
| 32-2 | Scurry-Rosser |
| 14-0 | Blooming Grove |
| 21-20 | Crandall |
| 6-33 | Kerens |
| 29-49 | Eustace |
| 29-21 | Cayuga |

Season Record 6-2-2

"We have class and the will to win."

Donny Patterson

"The fans were always there, but you can't really explain the appreciation you have for them until you've heard them when you're actually out there playing."

Wes Black

"Football is the only sport where I can hit people and get away with it."

Scott Shute



A moment of silence (left) Scott Anding, along with team members, lowers his head in a moment of prayer and remembrance of the victory that has taken place.

Pressure passing (below) Wes Black manages to fire off a pass in a pinch against Eustace.



Helmet salute (right) Players raise their helmets in a salute to their loyal fans during the playing of the school song after another victory.

All staters (front to back) Scott Anding, Wes Black, and Chris Coker add All State honors to their list of achievements.

Always # 1 Seniors David Burns, Billy Hughes, Scott Shute, Scott Anding, and Clint Davis relax and reminisce at midfield after the last home game against Eustace.



All-County, All-District (front row) Eddy Hinds, John Holland, Scott Shute, Billy Hughes (2nd row) Chris Coker, David Burns, Les Loden, Scott Anding (back row) Coach of the Year Mark Sartain, Clint Davis, Wes Black, Chuck Brown.



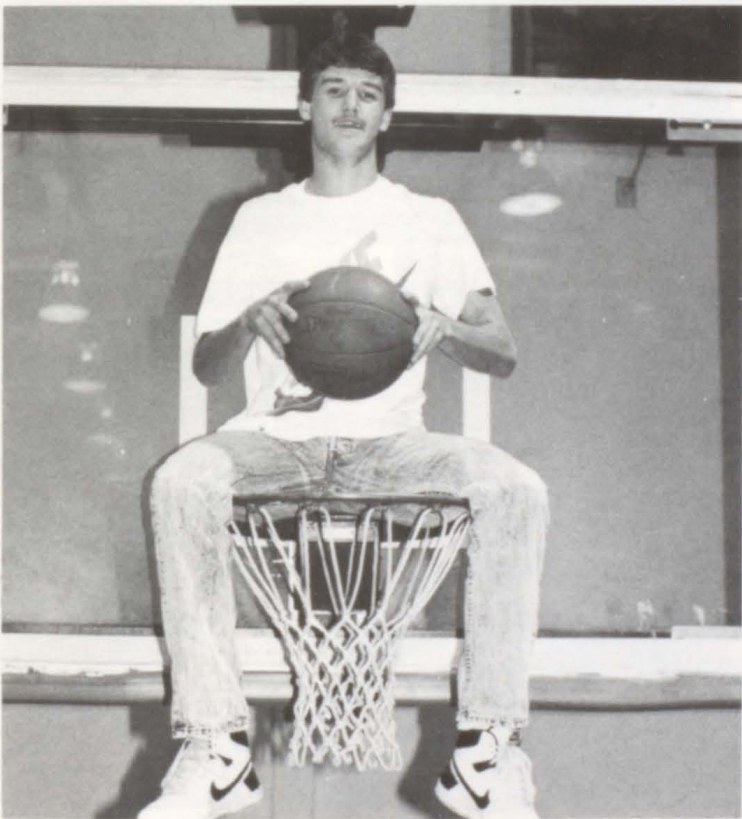
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Prowling Pride (front row) M. McCullough, C. Quinn, D. Marshall, M. Adams, D. Dosser, R. Ratley, R. Trussell, S. Starkes (2nd row) H. Mershon, M. Lamb, S. Bell, D. Hodges, C. Richardson, J. Avant, S. Shute, J. Holland (3rd row) C. Lee, J. Gunnels, D. Patterson, S. Coker, J. Logan, C. Davis, E. Hinds, J. Burrows (4th row) B. Hughes, D. Burns, R. Miller, S. Anding, L. Loden, C. Brown, W. Black, C. Crist (back row) Head Coach Mark Sartain, Greg Powell, Barry Sartain, Richard Vaughn

Now Entering Bobcat Country —
Opponents Beware!!



Bobcat Basketball (above) Chris Coker, Derek Daniel, Samuel Austin, Billy Hughes, Chuck Brown, John Holland, Eddy Hinds, Michael Lowry, Wes Black (front) Head Coach Jeff Thorpe and Coach Barry Sartain



Superlatives (left) (front) Chris Coker (2nd row) Wes Black, John Holland, Chuck Brown (back row) Billy Hughes and Michael Lowry took individual honors for their season's achievements.

On top Junior Chuck Brown shows the style that ranked him first among 2A players in three-pointers.

The Team That Could

Varsity Boys Basketball Exceeds Expectations

They weren't supposed to win. Critics said they were too small and too inexperienced to repeat the amazing success the teams from the two previous seasons had found.

At the beginning of the season, they looked every bit the way the critics had pictured them.

And then IT happened. From the beginning of district play versus Blooming Grove, everyone knew there was a difference. Wes Black likened the evolution to going from "... a Volkswagen to a Trans Am. At first we weren't familiar with each other and didn't know how to play together, but we came together as a team."

And a team they were. No one player really overshadowed the others. Every player had great memories of the season. But the greatest memories came after finishing second in district play and qualifying for bi-district action.

The Bobcats then faced a tough challenge: their first matchup put them up against the #1 ranked team in the state.

At one time the 'Cats were down 10 to 2 in the first quarter. Then the Dream Team was reawakened in the second quarter with a run that must have been on the all-time-great list for miracle rallies. At the end of the first half, with strong work by John

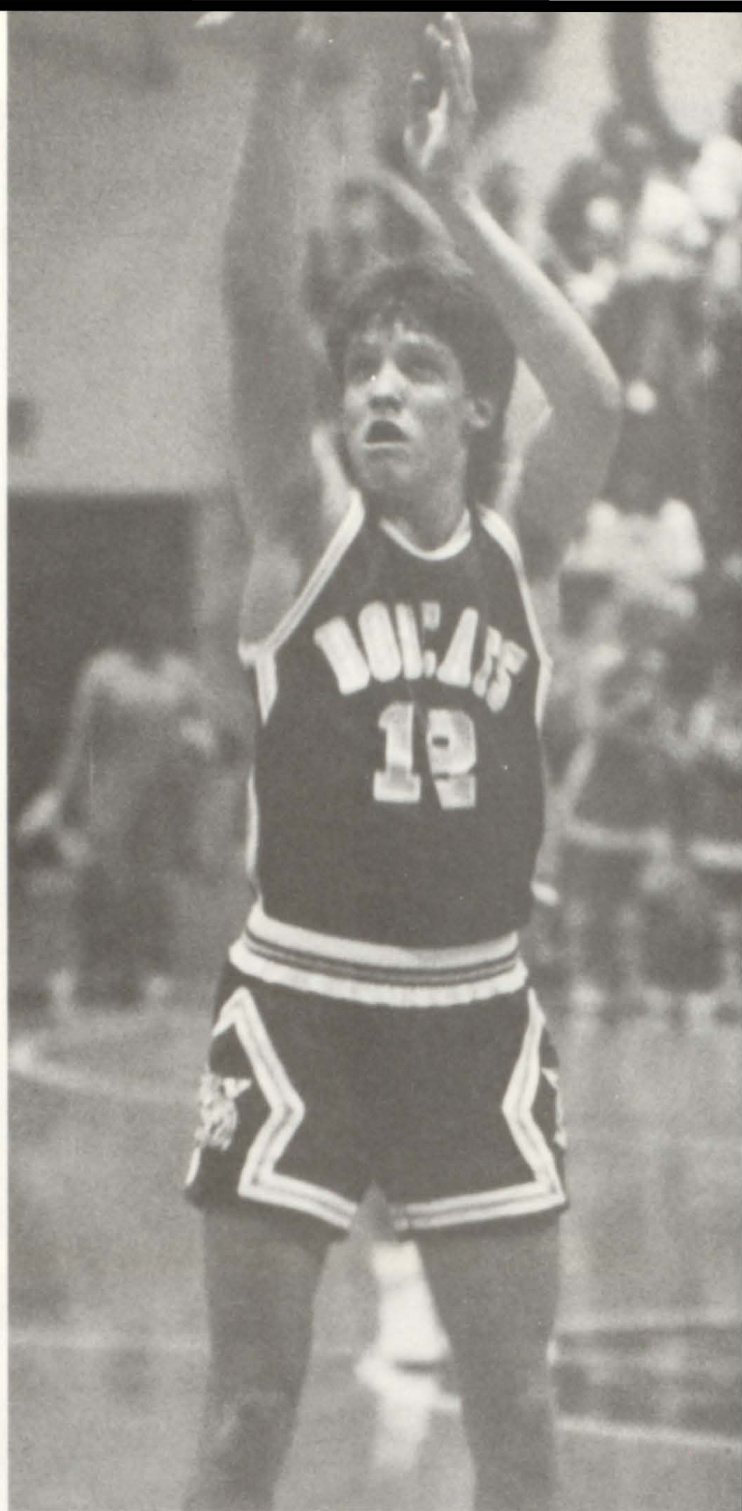
Holland, Chuck Brown, Wes Black, Billy Hughes, Michael Lowry, Chris Coker, and Karl Butler, Edgewood led by only three. At one time the Bobcats had even led by as much as five points.

Unfortunately, all dreams must come to an end. And all those Bobcat supporters who were there that night won't forget the ending. True, the scoreboard showed a loss. But in the hearts of those who were there, the score didn't really matter. The Edgewood Bulldogs had all they had wanted and more.

In the movie "Hoosiers", Gene Hackman led a tiny, inexperienced team to the state championship. The 87-88 Bobcats never reached that plateau, but the soul of this team was the same. Coach Thorpe explained his team's triumph over the odds this way: "When you don't have many people you've got to have a lot of heart. This bunch has a lot of heart. I think they have done more than most people thought they could and I'm extremely proud of every one of them."

Perfect form (top) Wes Black releases a picture-perfect free throw.

It's all mine! (right) Chris Coker readies himself to grab yet another rebound as Chuck Brown watches intently.





To the hoop! Chuck Brown soars to the goal on a powerful drive as Eddy Hinds moves into position.

Concentration is the key Michael Lowry shows his determination during a brief pause in playoff action against state-ranked Edgewood.



Tensed and ready, John Holland prepares to start the Bobcat fast break.



SCORES

Basketball

| Result | Opponent |
|---------------------|----------------|
| 65-68 | Trinidad |
| 88-64 | Martins Mill |
| 67-66 | Frankston |
| 79-64 | Frost |
| 64-69 | Malakoff |
| 53-55 | La Poynor |
| 47-38 | Quinlan Ford |
| 58-70 | Neches |
| 57-47 | Grand Saline |
| 80-62 | Martins Mill |
| 71-81 | Eustace |
| 63-71 | Malakoff |
| 54-71 | Bishop Dunne |
| 57-66 | Frankston |
| 46-49 | Westwood |
| 65-48 | Blooming Grove |
| 49-64 | Kerens |
| 75-60 | Eustace |
| 92-38 | Crandall |
| 64-62 | Cayuga |
| 62-51 | Palmer |
| 77-58 | Scurry Rosser |
| 60-57 | Blooming Grove |
| 81-48 | Crandall |
| 69-72 | Kerens |
| 68-74 | Eustace |
| 62-50 | Cayuga |
| 67-57 | Palmer |
| 75-50 | Scurry Rosser |
| 57-71 | Edgewood |
| Season Record 18-13 | |

"I'm extremely proud of every one of them."

Coach Thorpe

Down The Court For Two!

Lady Bobcats Earn Successful Season

Hard-working girls are all you would see when you scanned the varsity girls basketball team. All the effort was evident as the season progressed and the Lady Bobcats won 16 of their 24 games.

Team members put in a lot of practice time, including running and lifting weights to improve conditioning. Angie Anding ex-

plained that "high school basketball requires long practices, work, and dedication." Injured Jerri Davis had these thoughts run through her head during a crucial game: "Oh my gosh, I'm going to mess up!"

But new coaches Tom and Kathy Guidry were impressed with the spirit of the girls. "Watching the progress of the individual

kids day by day" was Head Coach Tom Guidry's most memorable impression of the season. Playoffs were just a couple of victories away, but the team's record states the success of their efforts.

Flying high Stephanie Upchurch stretches for a free throw against Eustace.



Lady Bobcats Kim Mattingly, Jenny Scoggin, Siovhan Upchurch, Stephanie Upchurch, Coach Tom Guidry, Angie Anding, Renate Rakestraw, Geneva Hehmann, Tammy Wallace, (seated) Jerri Davis



Set for action (right) Angie Anding prepares for a rebound after a free throw.

Concentration (far right) Siovhan Upchurch gets ready to let it fly for two.



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SCORES

Basketball

| Result | Opponent |
|--------|----------------|
| 55-41 | Trinidad |
| 70-42 | Elkhart |
| 47-69 | Martins Mill |
| 44-40 | Grand Saline |
| 61-28 | Frost |
| 36-39 | Malakoff |
| 26-61 | LaPoyner |
| 41-29 | Chapel Hill |
| 52-36 | Wills Point |
| 42-44 | Cayuga |
| 59-35 | Palmer |
| 78-30 | Scurry Rosser |
| 36-48 | Malakoff |
| 46-45 | Eustace |
| 61-52 | Frankston |
| 60-53 | Westwood |
| 41-39 | Blooming Grove |
| 32-65 | Kerens |
| 51-35 | Eustace |
| 52-56 | Crandall |
| 48-51 | Cayuga |
| 42-39 | Palmer |
| 57-34 | Scurry Rosser |
| 51-41 | Blooming Grove |
| 51-55 | Crandall |
| 44-76 | Kerens |
| 52-33 | Eustace |
| 28-30 | Cayuga |

Season Record 17-11

"I like to hear the crowd behind us. It gets you pumped up and encouraged."

Tammy Wallace



Pressure points Westwood's defense makes Renate Rakestraw and Siovhan Upchurch work for two points.



All-District honors Renate Rakestraw, Angie Anding, Tammy Wallace, Siovhan Upchurch, Stephanie Upchurch.

Junior Varsity Rebuilds For The Future

Boys Add Skills

The success that the junior varsity basketball team enjoyed this year was well-deserved. The boys pushed themselves and earned each victory they claimed during the season. "I think I've played up to my ability for being a junior on JV," said Mike Kuhn.

Many players have per-

sonal reasons for pushing so hard. Wesley Boyd enjoyed the "excitement of being able to play". Coach Barry Sartain concentrated on the basics to improve the students' skills. The 6-11 record was a disappointment to some players, but the skills they worked to perfect will be the foundation of future success.



Setting up Eddy Hinds looks on as Chris Coker fires one at the basket in a game against Westwood.



Pressure pass (top) Mark Adams struggles to avoid a steal after being surrounded by Kerens Bobcats.

Airborne Derald Marshall leaves the ground to sink the two-pointer.

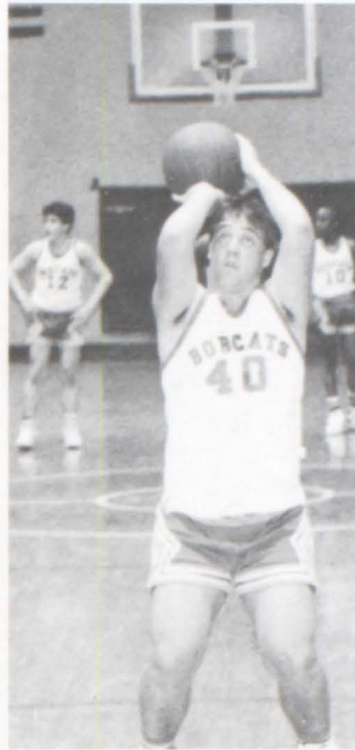
Girls Practice Basics

"We need to work together more as a team instead of just trying to do it ourselves."

Freshman Jennifer Rogers pinpointed the need for teamwork as an important lesson learned during the girls junior varsity basketball season. Fighting youth and inexperience, the girls played to a 2-10 season record that does not reflect their efforts or enthusiasm. Tracy Hull explained that the toughest parts of the

year were "getting back in shape, learning the plays, and hustling". Hustle seemed the key to progress towards varsity play, which was the goal of most JV players. Many will move up to varsity play next year, and the lesson of teamwork will hold them in good stead.

Setting up Mike Kuhn's face shows the intensity of gametime concentration as he shoots from the free throw line.



JV Lady Bobcats (top) Tracy Hull, Leslie Dodd, Kristi Weaver, Jana Templin, Jennifer Rogers, Lisa Clark, Coach Kathy Guidry

JV Bobcats Mark Adams, Scott Stone, Eddy Hinds, David Hodges, Chip Crist, Mike Kuhn, Chris Hardy, Derald Marshall, Coach Barry Sartain



Practice form Freshman Tracy Hull shows perfect form after releasing a successful three-pointer in practice.

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Boys JV

| Result | Opponent |
|--------------------|----------------|
| 36-42 | Trinidad |
| 32-81 | LaPoynor |
| 54-84 | Cayuga |
| 46-30 | Frost |
| 36-41 | Malakoff |
| 28-34 | LaPoynor |
| 53-31 | Martins Mill |
| 39-59 | Bishop Dunne |
| 56-33 | Eustace |
| 34-41 | Palmer |
| 46-39 | Blooming Grove |
| 35-57 | Trinidad |
| 48-38 | Scurry Rosser |
| 46-20 | Mildred |
| 28-50 | Kerens |
| 41-44 | Cayuga |
| 37-41 | Palmer |
| Season Record 6-11 | |

Girls JV

| | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| 7-56 | LaPoynor |
| 7-64 | Cayuga |
| 25-37 | Malakoff |
| 25-26 | Athens |
| 14-20 | Blooming Grove |
| 14-37 | Kerens |
| 13-20 | Cayuga |
| 22-25 | Trinidad |
| 33-25 | Mildred |
| 16-51 | Crandall |
| 25-23 | Eustace |
| 10-31 | Kerens |
| Season Record 2-10 | |

All A Matter Of Time

Hughes Places At State

Awisp of smoke followed by a gunshot and they're off in a flash, all with the same goal in mind — to be the first across the tape. As fast as it started it ends with but a blur of what happened in between. Runners, winners and losers alike, put the events behind them in preparation for races still to come.

Track season came and went almost as fast as some of the races, but many moments won't soon be forgotten. Michael Lowry not only qualified for regional but also tied the school high jump record. Billy Hughes broke two school records in the 110 high hurdles with a time of 14.17 and in the 300 in-

termediate hurdles with a time of 38.95 on his way to state. At state competition he placed second in the 110 high hurdles.

During the season, there was some time for fun though. One such occasion was when a video tape surfaced apparently showing high jumps by Lowry and Hughes of 7' and 13'. No, a world record was not accomplished, but new special effect techniques may have been invented.

Track season came to a close with sense of accomplishment in the air. Records were broken and races won because the team took things seriously.



Up, up, and away (top right) Chris Coker rises to new heights in the 110 high hurdles.

Flying fish (right) Freshman Shane Pruitt prepares for a landing in the 110 high hurdles.

Back in the pack Samuel Austin and Michael Lowry bide their time waiting to take the lead in the 800.





Over the top (left) Michael Lowry attempts to clear the bar one more time on his way to tying his school record of 6'4".



Bobcat track Shane Pruitt, Jason Logan, John Holland, Chuck Brown, Michael Lowry, Wes Black, Chris Coker, Samuel Austin, Chip Chris, Justin Gunnels, and Billy Hughes.



Pushing it to the limits Billy Hughes gives it all he's got in the 110 high hurdles against his rival Wendell Edwards from Cayuga.

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A Change Of Pace

Girls Track Speeds Ahead

Sore leg muscles, tired feet, aching joints — they all tested the determination, hard work, and skills of the Lady Bobcat track team members. Many hours were spent racing against the clock to make this time their personal best.

All of this requires physical strength and conditioning. New coaches Kathy and Tom Guidry encouraged the team in this area, and Stephanie Upchurch admitted they succeeded in "trying to get us where we wanted to be". Three girls advanced to regional competition, but medals in the state meet were just out of their reach.

Pushing it Freshman Leslie Dodd is caught in deep concentration as she overtakes her opponents.



Lady Bobcats Track Team (front) Susan Fitzgerald, Regional Qualifier Leslie Dodd, Cindy Bridwell, Missy Morgan, Lisa Clark, Melanie Willingham (back) Coach Kathy Guidry, Coach Tom Guidry, Geneva Hehmann, Jennifer Rogers, Jana Templin, Stephanie Upchurch, Regional Qualifier Renate Rakestraw, Jenny Scoggin, Siovhon Upchurch, (not shown) Regional Qualifier Tammy Wallace.



Straining to the limit Tammy Wallace stretches to clear the high jump bar during practice.



Around the clock (far left) Susan Fitzgerald perfects her discus technique as Renate Rakestraw stretches her muscles in preparation for yet another workout.



Positive results (near left) Renate Rakestraw seems pleased after putting the shot.

Setting the pace Cindy Bridwell strains to keep some distance on her opponent from Crandall.

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Cross Country Sets The Pace

Does running up and down hills appeal to you? It does to each member of the cross country team.

Cross country differs fundamentally from regular track events which are centered around a marked oval of cinders. Cross country is run across fields, hills, between trees, and

around ponds and lakes. It requires a special ability to adapt to differing course conditions, since often the running occurs over unfamiliar territory.

The girls cross country team conquered all these obstacles to place fourth in tough district competition.

Cross Country Jenny Scoggin, Leslie Dodd, Alicia McWhorter, Stephanie Upchurch, Susan Fitzgerald.

The Trials of Tennis

Team Beats The Odds

From dawn to dusk they volleyed, served, and played match after match to develop and perfect what it would take to win. Practice for some required awakening at 5 AM to practice and grabbing a donut before rushing to school. Others went after school, trying to work practice into an already hectic schedule. First year tennis coach Jeff Thorpe had an excellent turnout for the team, taking 12 people to compete.

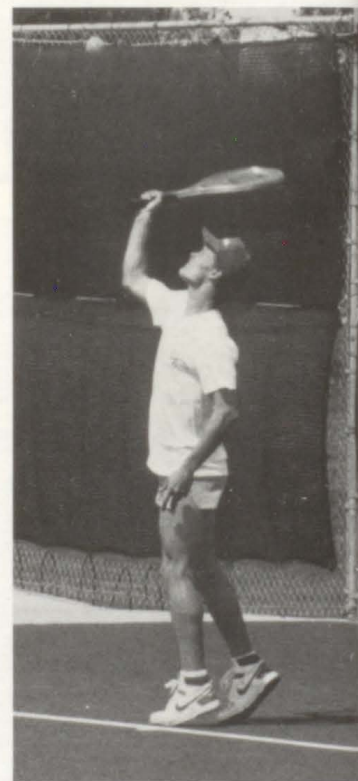
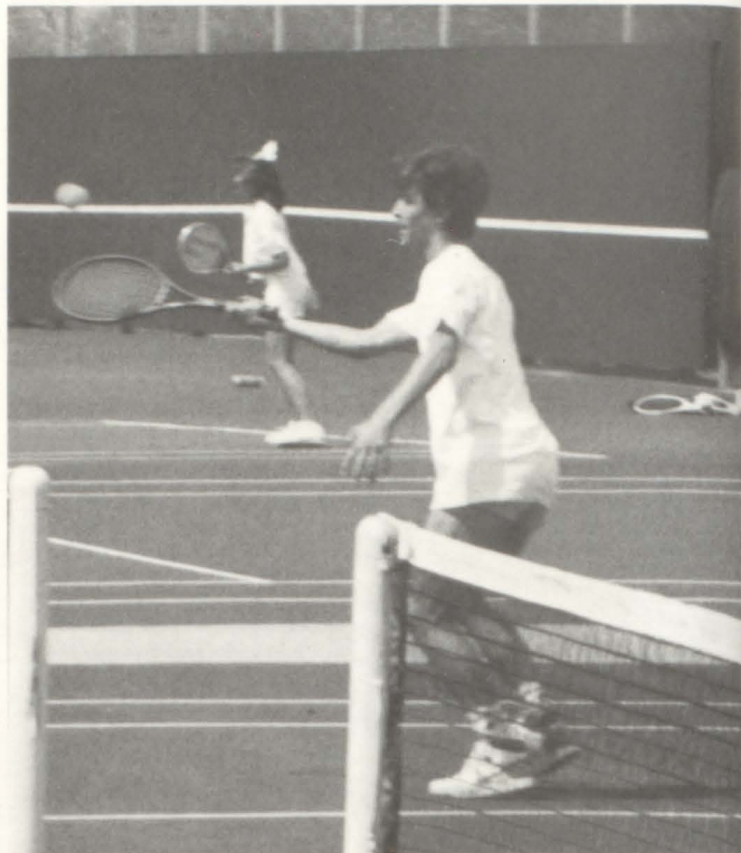
Finally the moment of truth arrived — the day of

district tennis — when the hours of practice would pay off. The hard work seemed to do the trick for Wes Black and Chip Crist, whose real opponents that day weren't the other teams as much as the gale force winds and cool temperatures. They became the first Boys' double team ever to advance to regional competition in the school's history. They didn't gain a victory at regional but gave it their best try to bring the season to a fairly successful close.

Concerned coaching (center right) Coach Thorpe tries to find a comfortable vantage point to watch his players in the wind and cold of district.

Regional Qualifiers Chip Crist and Wes Black placed second in doubles at district to advance to regional competition.

Furious forehand Michael Lowry demonstrates his unique return technique at district competition in Corsicana.



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Bobcat Tennis Team (front) Lisa Clark, Michelle Sartain, Jenny Scoggin, Coach Jeff Thorpe, Geneva Hehmann, Jennifer Rogers (back) Daniel Holmes, Robert LaVohn, Chris Coker, Wes Black, Michael Lowry, Chip Crist, Shane Pruitt

Power serving? Chris Coker prepares to fire another serve across the net.

Par For The Course

Golfers Advance To Regionals

Backswing beginning John Holland prepares to send the ball on its way down the fairway.



The sound could be heard drifting across the fairway, the sound of a cracking club against a small dimpled white ball, preceded only by a distant yell of "Fore!" The ball left the tee hurled into the air high above its destination — the green and the hole located there — or so they hoped.

Some shots made by the golf team weren't quite on target though. Michael Lowry lost two balls on the same hole and lost one of those twice after recovering it from a lake.

Other shots, it seemed,

were hitting their mark. Take the case of John Holland and Michelle Sartain, who both carded first medalist honors at district. In regional competition both gave the course their best shots, but neither was able to advance to state. The team's success was measured not just in winning but in their willingness to try and give their all.

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Tennis

District

| | |
|----------------|-------------|
| Holmes | 1-6,5-7 |
| LaVohn | 0-6,2-6 |
| Lowry-Coker | 1-6,2-6 |
| Black-Crist | 4-6,6-1 |
| | 6-0 |
| | 4-6,6-3,9-7 |
| | 6-3,4-6,6-4 |
| Scoggin | 0-6,1-6 |
| Sartain-Clark | 0-6,1-6 |
| Hehmann-Rogers | |
| | 2-6,3-6 |

Regional

| | |
|-------------|---------|
| Black-Crist | 3-6,4-6 |
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Regional qualifiers

(above) Michelle Sartain and John Holland both took first at district to advance to regionals.

Golf team (left) John Holland, Wes Black, Chad Lee, Michael Lowry, Andy Kinabrew, Mike Kuhn, and Michelle Sartain.



Golf

District

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| John Holland | 84 |
| Chad Lee | 113 |
| Wes Black | 115 |
| Michael Lowry | 117 |
| Andy Kinabrew | 124 |
| Mike Kuhn | 126 |
| Michelle Sartain | 97 |

Regional

| | |
|------------------|---------|
| John Holland | 100-91 |
| Michelle Sartain | 136-117 |

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Batter Up!

Baseball Comes To Cross Roads

From the beginning of the year, anticipation worked its way into select individuals. Baseball was coming to Cross Roads. Never mind the fact that lying in wait for the young team would be the most powerful district in East Texas. Never mind an undeniable lack of experience of the players. Never mind the absence of a baseball field to play on. Baseball was coming.

In February workouts began and the excitement

had spread. Despite the insistent tardiness of a baseball field's arrival, the season began. The team practiced. The devotion of both coaches and players was unquestionable. They dedicated 14 to 16 hours a week to the game, not to mention travel time and mental preparation.

By district the team was a bit tighter and played even powerful Cayuga a very tough match. Wins were still scarce, but a fire was burning and every fan

could feel it. By the end of the season, the flame became an inferno as the young team toppled the district champion Eustace Bulldogs.

This wasn't a year of a district championship or even a winning record for the baseball. It was a beginning. And from this beginning, the flame will grow until the winning tradition of Cross Roads inevitably spreads into the baseball program.



Crack of the bat John Holland follows through after connecting against Cayuga.

Bobcat Baseball The 1988 baseball team is: Assistant Coach Dewayne Reynolds, Manager Matt Holland, John Holland, Karl Butler, Michael McCullough, Donnie Patterson, Mark Adams, Coach Barry Sartain, (back row) Clint Sorrell, Wes Black, Chuck Brown, Chris Coker, Chip Crist, Eddy Hinds.



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SCORES

Baseball

| Result | Opponent |
|--------|---------------|
| 3-6 | Trinidad |
| 0-8 | Mildred |
| 1-7 | Eustace |
| 5-4 | Athens JV |
| 3-5 | Trinidad |
| 9-15 | Westwood |
| 3-4 | Eustace |
| 8-18 | Malakoff |
| 4-8 | Palmer |
| 3-7 | Scurry Rosser |
| 2-7 | Crandall |
| 4-2 | Kerens |
| 2-12 | Eustace |
| 5-6 | Cayuga |
| 7-24 | Palmer |
| 6-8 | Scurry Rosser |
| 5-15 | Crandall |
| 8-7 | Kerens |
| 9-6 | Eustace |
| 5-13 | Cayuga |

Season Record 4-16

"I don't feel the record indicates the type of team we have. I think we're better than what our record shows."

Wes Black

Warming up Wes Black draws back to hurl the baseball in a practice.

Season finale Chuck Brown, Karl Butler, Wes Black, and Michael McCullough head for the locker room after the season's final game against Cayuga.



On the side Barry Sartain coaches Clint Sorrell on first base during a game against Trinidad.

No Pain, No Gain

Powerlifting Team Gains Statewide Recognition

Grunts and groans could be heard coming from the old gym. The powerlifting team was deep into practice. From all accounts, the practice paid off as Cross Roads became known locally as a powerlifting team to be reckoned with.

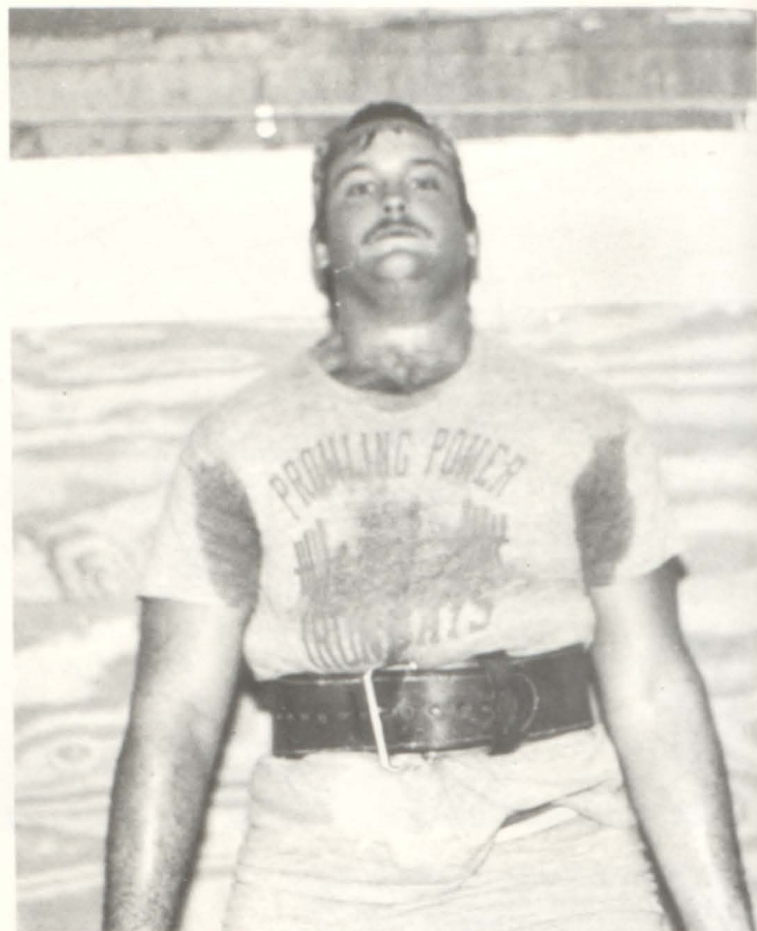
Team members Scott Anding, Scott Shute, Les Loden, Mike Kuhn, Chris Kirkpatrick, and Jason Logan worked out for numerous hours with Coach Mark Sartain to gain the endurance and strength necessary to compete. Added to the field of competitors this year were Katha Black and Susan Fitzgerald, who placed well in an Athens exhibition meet with other female powerlifters. Three Cross Roads students advanced to regional competition — Scott Anding, Scott Shute, and Les Loden.

Senior Scott Shute qualified for the state meet in College Station, becoming the first Cross Roads strongman to do so. He placed sixth in state in open competition with students from 1A to 5A schools. "Concentration, endurance, and strength are what it takes to be successful," affirmed Shute. He attributed most of his success to Coach Sartain.

The team also felt the

heat of television exposure. A special interview by Channel 56 was organized to describe the efforts put forth by small town schools. Coach Sartain added that "they are some of the most dedicated students. The amount of time required takes a great deal of self-discipline." The Prowling Pride Powerlifters are making themselves known.

Sweating it out (right) Senior Scott Anding can attest to the determination needed to pull the weight.



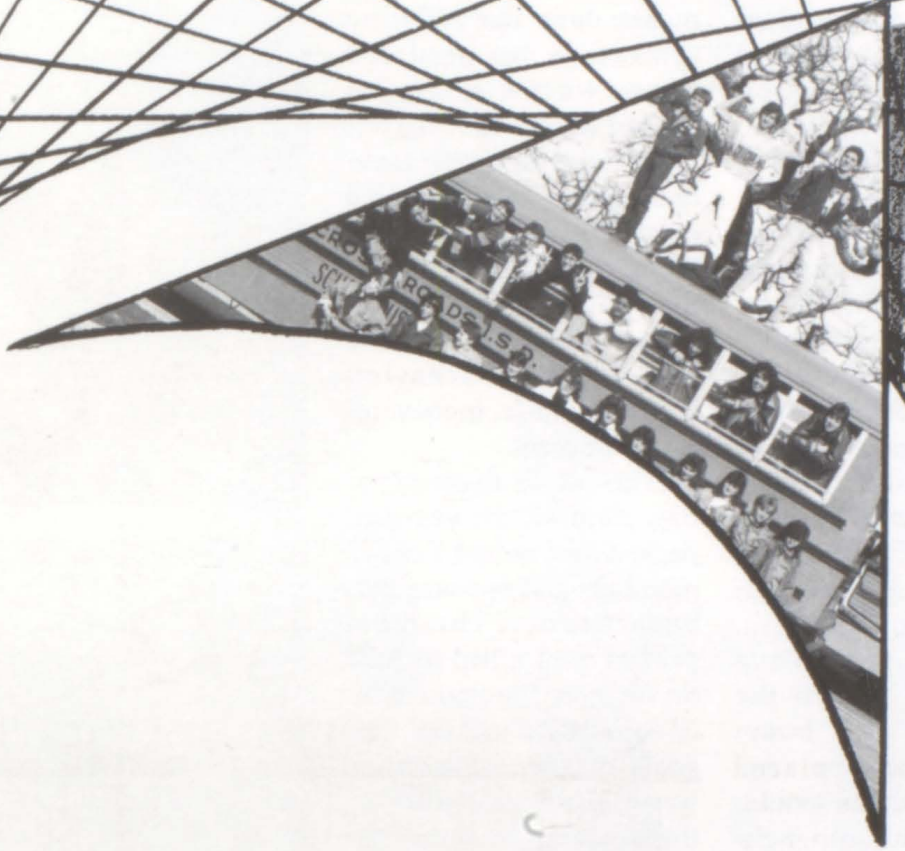
Towards the goal (above) John Avrett pushes iron in the off-season football program in order to increase endurance and strength. The results have been noticed by opposing ballplayers.

State qualifier (right) Senior Scott Shute placed sixth in the state meet in College Station.



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TO SPEND OUR
NOT-SO-EXTRA
TIME. *John Holland*

Sales And Support

Student Council Promotes Leadership

Consider the Student Council. Do the most popular students pop into your mind? If so, you're missing the point of Student Council.

Student Council members are elected by popular vote of the student body, but they are students whose main focus is increasing leadership skills. The group's goals include promoting school spirit, increasing student awareness of teen problems, and making Cross Roads a better school for everyone.

How do they achieve these goals? This year the council has been busy. They sponsored the candlelight pep rally to replace the bonfire usually held before Homecoming. Spirit days also encouraged students into full participation around Homecoming time. Council members distributed pamphlets and buttons to warn kids about the harmful effects of drug and alcohol abuse.

As if all this is not enough, the Student Council joined with the Beta Club to purchase the electronic sign hanging in the break area of the new high school building. The sign has become a prime source of information for all students. In another effort to improve communication, members of the Student Council made announce-

ments over the intercom system to let students know what's going on around them.

To fund all these activities, group members sold candy for Halloween and Valentine's Day. Some students earned job experience by working at many basketball concession stands to raise money for council events.

With all of these activities planned, the year was packed for Student Council members and sponsor Barbara Stone. The year peaked with a trip to Austin for state Student Council convention in April. The goals of the organization were not taken lightly by the students involved. As freshman Geneva Hehmann stated, "Student Council has taught me to communicate with other people."

Rep Report Trista Brashear listens as Chris Coker reports on activities for Student Council members.

Shocking shades Tammy Wallace finds it difficult to talk seriously with Mrs. Stone while she is decked out for Homecoming spirit days.

Deep discussion Meetings meant input from everyone, here including Trista Brashear, Wes Black, Becky Drummond, Scott Stone, and Daniel Holmes.





Spreading the news Trista Brashear, Chris Coker, Scott Stone, and Daniel Holmes "help" Mrs. Stone program new information into the electronic sign bought by Student Council and Beta Club.



Student Council (front row) Sponsor Barbara Stone, Treas. Becky Drummond, Pres. Wes Black, V.P. John Holland, Sec. Chris Coker, Parl. Trista Brashear, Christina Knight (2nd row) Scott Stone, Stephanie Upchurch, Robert LaVohn, Les Loden, Chuck Brown, Michael Lowry, Geneva Hehmann, Siovhan Upchurch (back row) Tammy Wallace, Daniel Holmes, Leslie Dodd, James Zotzky, Karl Butler, Kristi Weaver, Jessica Forney

Strutting Their Pride

Enthusiasm Abounds As Band Grows

The hard work put forth by the Bobcat Band paid off handsomely. Band members shone while marching, playing, and preparing for concerts. Their enthusiasm was overwhelming and helped push the team, as well as the band itself, to victory.

The band was mesmerizing as they stepped onto

Obvious pride Bobcat Band members Scott Stone, Lori Holsom, and Daniel Holmes raise their hands and their voices in support of the football team.

the football field. Fans held their seats and anxiously awaited their performance. As their show began, the field radiated from the music and the routine. "The hard work and practice had paid off," said band quartermaster Natalie Coleman.

The band received their first standing ovation at the last home game against Eustace. It was an evening to remember for each student involved. Thirty-five strong, band members first stepped off to the tune of

"Obsession", holding every beat and hitting every step. Then "You Belong to the City" brought the whole show to a crescendo. Finally "Centerfield" brought the audience to its feet. Kacie Wallace exclaimed, "I could have cried!" That was a feeling shared by many band members; it was an outstanding night.

This year, supported by the Band Boosters, the Bobcat Band held a successful car wash and hot dog stand to raise money

for summer band camp. Scott Stone explained that "it will help us prepare for next year".

The Concert Band brought the season to a finale by preparing for the dedication of the new high school, spring concerts, and Sandy Lake tryouts. Through the sweat of marching season and the long hours of practice emerged a Bobcat Band that exemplified the pride of the students involved.





Fresh view New band director Jeff Dubose concentrates as he leads the band in the school fight song following another Bobcat victory.

Raising spirit The band fills the old gym with music to cheer on the team at an early-season pep rally.



Leadership in action Senior Drum Major Robert Lavohn sets the rhythm on the field during another exciting halftime show.



Band Beau and Sweetheart Chosen

This year's selection for Band Sweetheart and Beau were sophomore Fawn Killman and senior Daniel Holmes. "This experience made me happy," replied

Smiling favorites Daniel Holmes and Fawn Killman are congratulated by Tina Morrison as they accept the titles of Band Beau and Band Sweetheart. They were recognized during the halftime of the Eustace football game.

Fawn. The sweetheart and beau are nominated by band members, then a secret vote is cast and the selections are kept secret. Fawn received roses and Daniel received a schedule planner. The band is proud of these representatives.

Proud At The Top

The Bobcat Band astonished themselves by attaining the greatest number of top positions possible at Trinity Valley Honor Band tryouts. Preparation for tryouts required hours of practicing audition music and sightreading to compete against bandsmen from fifteen schools. Six band members also achieved seats in the Trinity Valley Select Band, an even more prestigious honor. Danielle Jones stated, "When Mr. Dubose told me the good news of my success in the tryouts, I was overwhelmed by pride and happiness."

Another reason for increased band pride was the arrival of new uniforms. Band Booster Club members spearheaded the drive to replace worn and outdated suits with the snazzy new marching and concert outfits.



Bobcat Band (front row) D. Stevenson, A. Buchinger, J. Jock, J. Pearce, L. Wallis, M. Pruitt, N. Coleman (2nd row) D. Jones, J. Hart, C. Knight, VP Fawn Killman, Sec. Geneva Hehmann, T. Jones, K. Lippert, J. Spears, D. Radican, P. Kuhn, D. Sutton, J. Pearce, J. Metcalf (back row) R. LaVohn, W. Boyde, M. Johnston, S. Austin, Pres. Daniel Holmes, R. Metcalf, L. Holson, T. Hull, Treas. Scott Stone, J. Wethington, S. Pruitt, T. Morrison, M. Lowry, A. Vaughn, C. Quinn, K. Wallis, Director Jeff Dubose

Trinity Valley Select Band (front) Shane Pruitt, Daniel Holmes, Natalie Coleman (back) Robert LaVohn, Danielle Jones, Samuel Austin

Trinity Valley Honor Band (front) Geneva Hehmann, Danielle Jones, Michele Wallis, Natalie Coleman, Fawn Killman, Don Sutton (back) Wesley Boyde, Jennifer Metcalf, Samuel Austin, Daniel Holmes, Scott Stone, Robert LaVohn, Michael Lowry



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No Pressure Here !

Yearbook Staff Accepts Challenge

The pressure from past performance seemed a bit intimidating. Awards for the 1987 Check It Out yearbook came in just in time to motivate this year's staff to excellence. Staff members from 1987 received the All-Texas award for being one of the top ten yearbooks of its size in the state by the Tex-

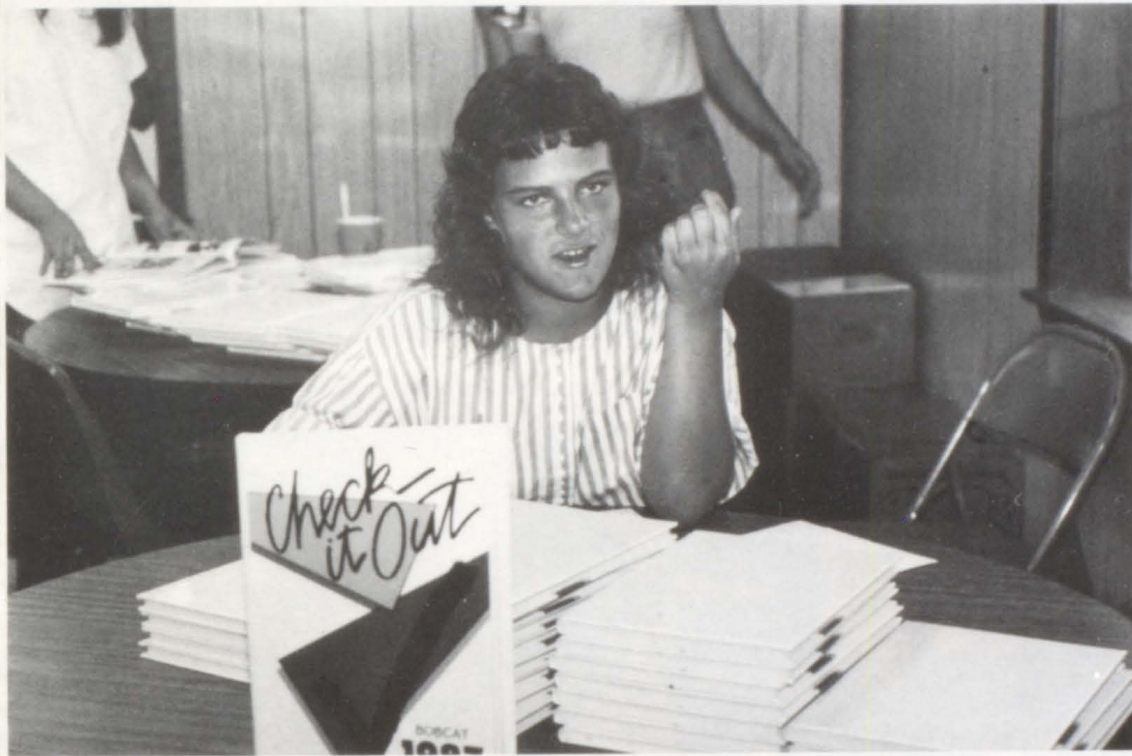
as High School Press Association. Taylor Publishing Company included the Bobcat in its Yearbook Yearbook for 1987. An Award of Achievement was also received from ILPC Conference.

Training in the basics of yearbook design was a must for staff members seeking to rack up honors.

The staff also attended the summer Taylor Workshop in Tyler to further creative skills and "to make a book that the students will enjoy looking back on in a few years" explained editor Becky Drummond.

Computer designs are one of the staff's most valuable assets which makes the yearbook more organ-

ized and easily designed. The correct combination of creativity and attention to detail made meeting staff deadlines easier. The Bobcat Staff remained confident that the 1988 yearbook would pass the impressive mark set by last year's book.



Check it out (left) Fawn Killman sells remaining 1987 yearbooks at the first yearbook signing party early in September.

Hard at work (below) Lorie Buchinger and Natalie Coleman put complete attention on creating layouts.



Yearbook Staff (far left) 1987-88 Bobcat Staff (front row) Mrs. Holt, Natalie Coleman, Daniel Holmes, and Robert LaVohn. (back row) Laura Smith, Fawn Killman, Michael Lowry, Becky Drummond, Lorie Buchinger, and Andrea Burnett.

Action shot (left) Senior Robert LaVohn tries to capture the action of moving into the new school on film.

Land and Livestock

Judging Teams and Show Entrants Reap FFA Benefits

Statebound at last! The land judging team was on its way. FFA team members were anxious to perform well at the Stephenville competition. A trip to nationals was at stake, but a victory wasn't in the cards for them this year. The young team may have caught a case of nerves at state contest, but all but one will return next year to threaten another state title.

Land judging was just one of many projects taken on by the FFA this year. Livestock judging teams travelled to many local contests as well. Divided into classes ranging from steers to lambs, students were challenged to grade the animals according to finish, muscling, and other characteristics. Clint Sorrell enjoyed judging livestock because "I was raised around it and it helped me understand tending livestock better."

Livestock shows represented another challenge to many FFA members. Students took on the responsibility of financing, choosing, and raising an assortment of animal projects for the shows. Meticulous records had to be maintained to calculate growth margins of the animals, not to mention the demands made on students' time and energy.

In order to participate in

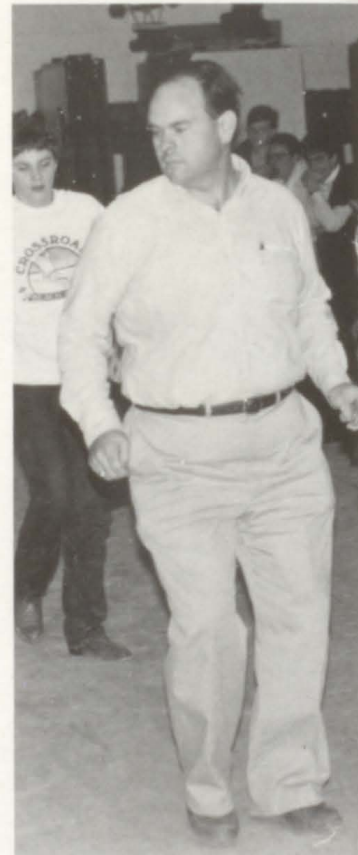
all these activities, a fall dance was held to raise money for their projects. Teachers carted home boxes of citrus fruit sold to them by enterprising FFA members. The local FFA chapter also adopted 2 miles of Cross Roads interstate in order to keep it free from litter. Projects and team practices kept most members busy throughout the school year.

Land Judges (seated) Laura Smith, Alicia McWhorter, Susan Fitzgerald (back) Ricky Tigert, Shane Pruitt.



Livestock Judges Chris Kirkpatrick, Kim Mattingly, Clint Sorrell, Andy Kinabrew

Stepping out Lori Holsom and Mr. Barnett join a crowd at the FFA dance doing the freeze.





Lay of the land Shane Pruitt and Laura Smith practice land judging skills before travelling to the state contest at Stephenville.

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Cross Roads FFA (front row) J. Davis, L. Greene, A. McWhorter, J. Abbott, K. Busby, Sec. K. Mattingly, S. Fitzgerald, K. Loden, L. Smith (2nd row) M. Adams, S. Pruitt, D. Sutton, J. Garza, M. Lamb, J. Logan, S. Bell, E. Justice, Treas. E. Hinds (3rd row) J. Avrett, J. Gunnels, L. Chandler, D. Patterson, Pres. C. Sorrell, C. Kirkpatrick, C. Lee, A. Kinabrew, J. Zotzky (4th row) Mr. Tommy Barnett, M. Ellis, Rep. M. Stovall, B. Beasley, H. Mershon, B. Carter, L. Loden, S. Anding, H. Neill (back row) VP K. Black, C. Penix, R. Tigert, C. Hall, C. Knight, S. Starkes, J. Penix, J. Calvert

Grooming A Champion

They've learned that they can be successful by putting things in perspective," stated Mr. Barnett with a smile. Grooming, exercising, and trimming are only a few details involved in rearing grand champion livestock. In the cattle shows, judges look at the straightness of ribs, muscle tone, and the amount of fat layers. To accomplish a winning animal, students must put long hours into the grooming and feeding of their charges.

Many students attribute their success to Ag teacher Mr. Barnett. "He helped me out a lot in the shows," said Clint Sorrell. The more stable local economy has also played an important role in local shows. Jerri Davis agrees that "the price that was brought in was most inspiring". Inspiring enough, perhaps, to encourage other exhibitors to work even harder for that grand champion next year.

Hard at work (above right) Chip Crist, Jeanette Abbott, and Justin Gunnels relax after a tough day grooming animals at the Henderson County Livestock Show.

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In the ring Kim Mattingly leads her heifer past the judges during the Henderson County show.



Winning smile Kim Mattingly's heifer displays the bone structure and finish necessary to earn Reserve Champion status.

Athletes Working Together

FCA Promotes Spiritual Growth



Do you find it difficult to get yourself mentally ready for a full day of schoolwork? Rise and Shine, a morning devotion sponsored by the FCA, can help make that task easier.

The morning devotionals were just one facet of a year filled with activities for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Mem-

Squirted sucker (left) Jerri Davis looks disturbed about her role in the FCA booth at the Halloween Carnival.

bers have worked canned food drives to provide food for the needy of the area. They also raised money for their projects by working the Squirt-A-Sucker booth at the Halloween carnival, a real favorite of the crowd.

The Fellowship also hosted entertainment and enrichment for FCA members by sponsoring the Sinclair family. The Sinclairs brought a painting exhibition and ventriloquist performance which enlightened the entire audience.

Chris Coker summed up his feelings about FCA by saying that "being a Christian athlete means having a reason to get up and come to school every day."



Instant painting (far left) Mr. Sinclair produces his version of Calgary for FCA members and guests.

Reaching out Mrs. Sinclair uses a dummy to make her point about Christian commitment.



FCA (front) Siovhan Upchurch, Sec. Jerri Davis, VP Tammy Wallace, Jenny Scoggin, Stephanie Upchurch, Michelle Sartain, Kristi Weaver, Cindy Coker (back row) Pres. John Holland, Billy Hughes, Scott Shute, Samuel Austin, Chris Coker, Robert LaVohn, Clint Davis, Sponsor Mark Sartain

Cheer Them On!

"Two bits! Four bits!" The crowd responds by jumping to their feet and yelling support for the Bobcats. The cheerleaders have been successful once again in putting spirit into action.

Doing such a good job took many hours of hard, unglamorous work. It especially took a great deal of time during football season. The squad not only had to make signs, but they also had to prepare the cheers and organize pep rallies. The cheerleaders wrapped houses and decorated halls and lockers to promote spirit as well. Usually an hour a day was spent preparing for the week's events.

Some cheerleaders felt that the fans played a big part in making cheering easier. Kim Mattingly explained that "you're not just cheering to a stone wall. You feel like someone is listening."

Sponsor Gina Sartain thought a great deal of the girls and their commitment. She described the squad as "six young women who unselfishly worked for the good of the school." Their efforts paid off in increased spirit throughout the school.



Rocking out Cheerleaders Jenny Scoggin, Kristi Weaver, Stephanie Upchurch, Leslie Dodd, and Susan Fitzgerald dance to the beat at a basketball game. Even though many of the girls were athletes themselves, they attended games to cheer on the other teams as well.

Pep rally The squad performs a yell at a football pep rally. Many times team members seemed to have more spirit than the rest of the student body.





Cheerleaders Leslie Dodd, Stephanie Upchurch, Head Cheerleader Jenny Scoggin, Kim Mattingly, Kristi Weaver, Susan Fitzgerald.



Flipping out (left above) Jenny Scoggin adds a gymnastic flair to get the crowd behind the Bobcats.

Eager to please Coach Thorpe's daughter Tiffany helps the squad with their cheering during a home football game.



Evening rhythm Kim Mattingly, Stephanie Upchurch, Jenny Scoggin, Susan Fitzgerald, and Kristi Weaver try to drum up more Homecoming fever during the Candlelight Pep Rally held in the stadium.

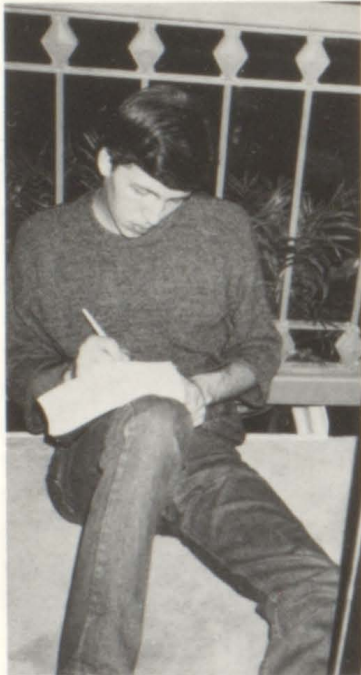
Making The Grade

Beta Club Rewards Scholarship

Popsicle sales and convention news — both were fundamental to the activities of Beta Club, an organization for students who maintain an overall A average. Sponsor Mrs. Killpatrick sold the popsicles to elementary students to fund the group's trips to state and national conventions, which were the highlights of the year. This year the students look forward to travelling to Lit-

tle Rock, Arkansas for the national convention in June. In addition, Beta Club donated funds to help place the electronic sign in the auditorium area of the new high school. Beta Club remained a small but proud group of scholars.

Questions, anyone? Ask Quiz Bowl team members Robert LaVohn, Daniel Holmes, Scott Stone, or Fawn Killman. The team placed 4th in competition with schools all over the state.



Homesick Senior Robert LaVohn writes a postcard home during a break in the action at state convention.



Beta Club (front) Jerri Davis, Pres. Robert LaVohn, Rep. Michael Lowry, Angie Anding, Sgt.-at-Arms Samuel Austin, VP Andrea Burnett, Sec. Daniel Holmes (back row) Scott Stone, Fawn Killman, Tina Morrison, Stephanie Upchurch, Siovhan Upchurch, John Holland, Sponsor Bobbie Killpatrick.

Heading home All set to return to Cross Roads after state convention in Austin are Scott Stone, Daniel Holmes, Robert LaVohn, Fawn Killman, Mrs. Killpatrick, Tina Morrison, and Hjordis Gaard.



Academics



Academic excellence
is truly the
source of freedom
in today's world.
C. Holt

Present Your View!

The courses in English, Spanish and Writing this year are focused around communicating. The instructors' main goal is to give students the ability to understand their languages and to express themselves intelligently.

Some of this expression is written; many paragraphs, essays and reports are turned in each semester in most language classes. In Mrs. Kuhn's writing class, "circlewriting" became a big part of instruction. During this activity, students formed a circle with desks, and one piece of paper was passed around to each person for a short amount of time. The students were to add to the story until each had contributed. The results were always interesting and often entertaining.

Communication also involves speaking and moving. Ms. Shull assumed control of the first year theatre arts class. Activities such as charades were used along with traditional classroom techniques to instruct students in the art of visual communication.

Courses in the social studies teach us about the world to which we must express ourselves. Histo-

ry, Government, Economics, Health, Psychology and Sociology are all designed to give students a glimpse of the world waiting outside of Cross Roads.

By learning about the world around us and

knowing how to intelligently convey our point of view, we take an important step toward a successful future.

Computer blues Fawn Killman scrutinizes the data entered into the computer as part of an Advanced Journalism project.

Circlewriting strikes again Mrs. Kuhn reads the result of a second period venture into fiction as the Writing class listens.





Beat the clock Chip Crist acts out a clue while playing charades to improve visual communication in Theater Arts.



Senior stretching Julie Gideon, Alicia McWhorter, Renate Rakestraw, Katha Black, and Scott Anding test their flexibility (or lack of it) during Health class.



Sherri Cockrell



Kathy Guidry



Tom Guidry



Mark Sartain



Richard Vaughn

Go Figure It!

“We can't do this problem! It's got a fraction in it!”

Though a lack of confidence in the rules of mathematics may hinder the process occasionally, the math and science departments succeed in giving students a well-rounded education by providing instruction in fundamental logic and the fundamental laws of the universe.

“Math seeks the sublime truth,” states Donna Holt. Though some incoming freshmen may dread algebra, in essence it is merely a process of thinking. Someone once said that math is a lot easier if you just do it and don't try to understand it. Obviously this person never attended Cross Roads. The geometry class can affirm that proofs are virtually impossible if you don't know why Theorem 4-2 applies for every set of parallel lines. Math students from prealgebra to precalculus learn that the solution to a problem is often found by looking at it in a new light.

Science instructor Chuck Holt points out, however, that “math is of little consequence without an application. Science is that application.” Students are forced

to draw conclusions based on their own observations. It's all in how you look at it. By careful measuring and inductive reasoning, students learn how to learn.

And so, in later life, if you are figuring your income tax, or calculating the necessary height for a portable building, or if you are one of the few people who need to know the cosecant of 93.5 degrees or the acidity of 12 Molar hydrochloric, rest easy. The solution lies within the grasp of your own mind.

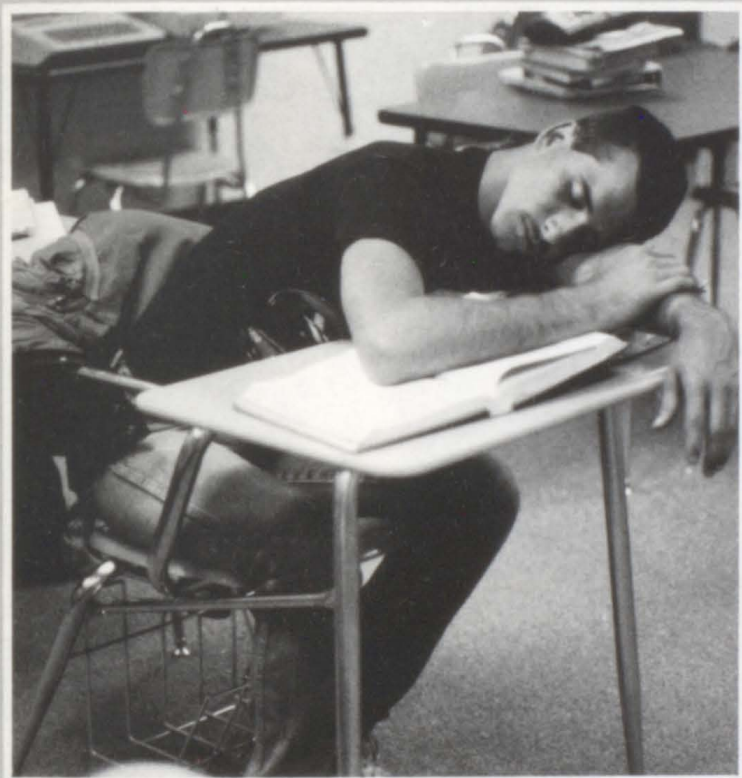
Homework hassles (below) Geneva Heman works on a graph in PreAlgebra.

Physics phun (far below) Becky Drummond, Katha Black, Keith Butler and Daniel Holmes contemplate the patterns of the wave machine.





Up, up, and away Mrs. Kuhn prepares the chemical mixture that will soon launch a balloon for Earth Science. (inset) The charred remains of one balloon serve as a reminder of the power of chemical reactions.



After the bell Larry Chandler decides to stay a little longer in his Algebra II class.



Newton's legacy Mr. Holt explains the law of conservation of momentum using the Newtonian Motion Demonstrator



Chuck Holt



Donna Holt



Carolyn Kuhn



Dwayne Reynolds



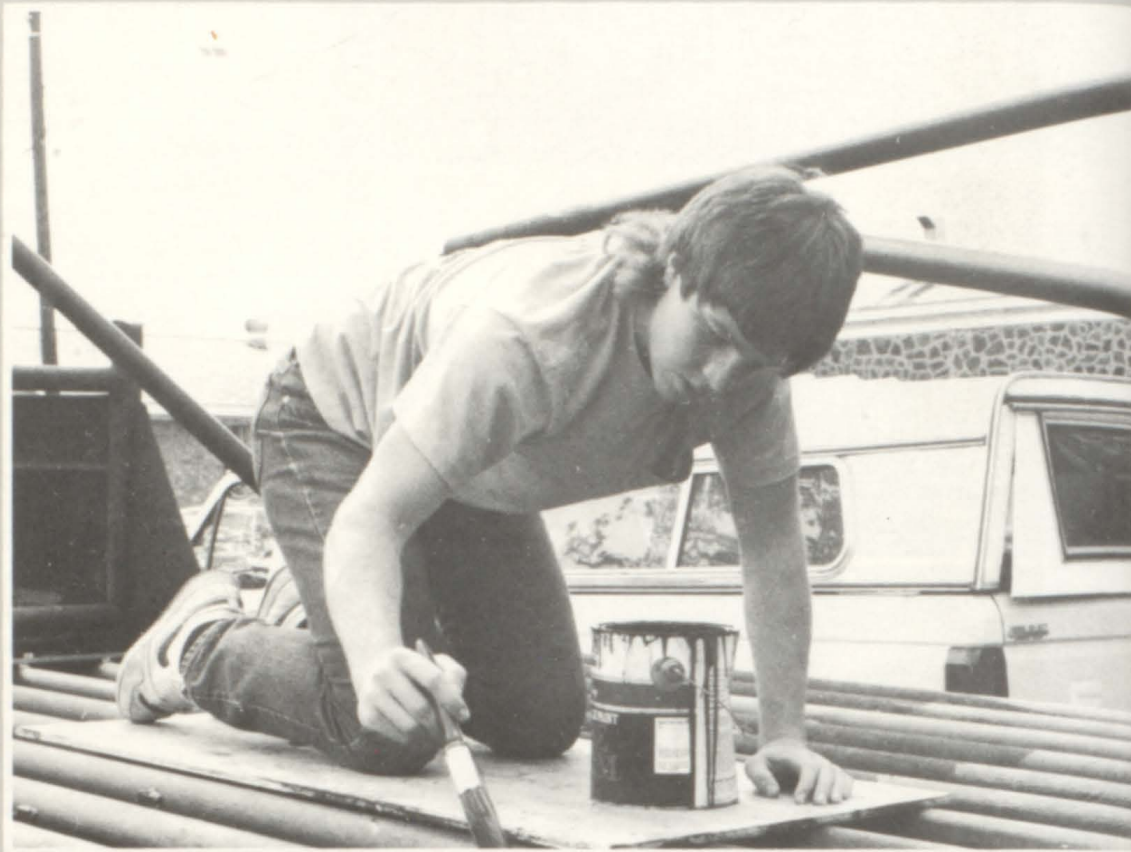
Larry Scoggin

Learning Lifetime Skills

Possibly the main reason school is important is that it prepares students for "later life." Since "later life" inescapably includes a job, preparation for future employment is highly valued. Vocational Education is useful in helping students to practice appropriate skills. All too often, however, these important elements are ignored. Few students realize the hard work students put into classes as diverse as Agriculture and Accounting.

In Agriculture classes students devoted time to not only their regular class work but also to FFA projects such as the Senior Farm Skill project, a large trailer.

Business classes emphasized precision and organization, and taught students how to write resumes, keep ledgers, and type. No doubt some of these skills will be useful not only in the workplace but in the near future for some college-bound students.

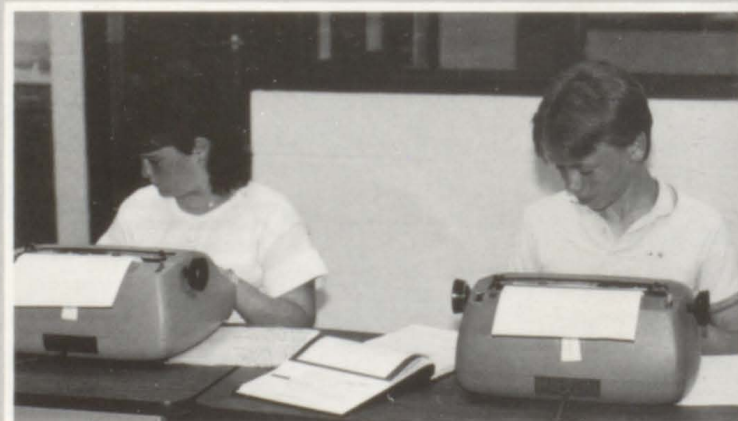


Precarious perch Jeff Avant kneels on plywood to apply a coat of paint to a cattle guard.



Class of '91 Geneva Hehmann, Jennifer Rogers, Jessica Forney, Janna Templin, and Ginny Hicks display their self-sewn shirts in Home Economics.

New skills Chasity Brown and Darrell Gabel learn fundamental keyboard techniques in Mrs. McKinnerney's class.



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Music, maestro Elementary music students clap their hands to the beat as they journey around the table on a musical voyage.



Helping hand Mrs. Stone assists Andy Kinabrew in constructing a kite in Home Ec.



Somethin' from the oven Leslie Boyd cooks up sweets for the dedication of the new High School.



Tommy Barnett



Wanda Bass



Jeffery DuBose



Barbara McKinnerney



Barbara Stone



Jeff Thorpe

Tapping Into Resources

Our resources classes offer a unique learning experience for students requiring a more personal educational environment. Instructors all offer special attention to their students, and also use modern equipment to make the learning experience more enjoyable.

Education from this perspective not only enhances the abilities of resource students, it produces positive results toward new heights in education.

Physical Education classes are designed to

help young bodies develop correctly and function well. Coaches devise all sorts of activities to keep P.E. students active and healthy.

From mental to physical health, at Cross Roads, we've got it covered.

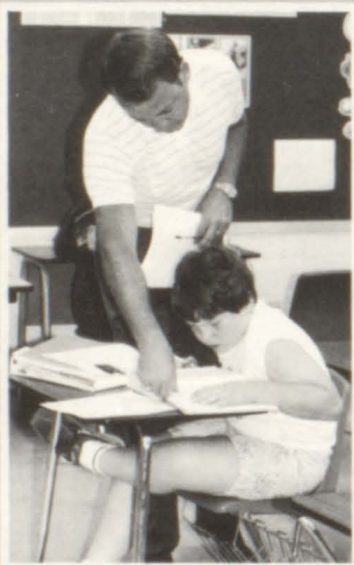
Listen carefully (below) Joshua Gatlin takes advantage of the teaching equipment used in Resource courses.



Greg Powell



Benjamin Tally



Tompkins tutors (above) Bobby Rogers gets a little extra help from Mr. Tompkins.

P.E. Pandemonium (above center) Elementary students play a modern version of dodge ball during physical education classes.

Perfect 10 (right) Colleen Gibson, Spence Airheart, and Jarod Mills perform various gymnastic stunts on the jungle gym in P.E.



Clay Tompkins



Barry Sartain



Counselor Donna Holmes



Nurses Fran Jones(top) and Karla Odom



Maintenance Frank Upchurch and Don Ellis



Librarian Cheryl Rhodes



Cafeteria workers Sandi Agin, Connie Killman, Ernestine Lamb, Linda Lamb



Bus drivers (front)Hilda Jo Anding, Darlene Agin (back) Thelma Metcalf, Clara Jo Davis, Sue Mullinax, Karen Russell



**Aides (above) Alvirta Washington, Althea Schmidt, Gina Sartain
Custodians (left) Savoia Austin, Gertrude Austin, Don Piper, Daniel Schmidt**

Library aide (below) Iris Morrison



Headaches, Inc.

Leaders Meet The Challenge Of Change

Carpet swatches, color charts, and alarm systems — all became familiar objects to school board members and administrators in a year that was focused on the construction of new facilities. Board members were excited to finally tour the new high school, and they also took part in the dedication ceremonies.

Administrators closely

watched the construction as well. Mr. McKinnerney gave monthly progress reports to the board. Maintaining order as we moved presented a challenge that was not easily met. In addition, our climb up the career ladder made teacher evaluations more important. Administrators welcomed the addition of new junior high principal Glenda Wisenbaker.



School Board Ronny Alexander, Billy Lee, Osborne Williams, Edna Sifers, President Mark Davis, Steve Airheart,(not shown)Russell Shute



Superintendent
Mr. Don McKinnerney



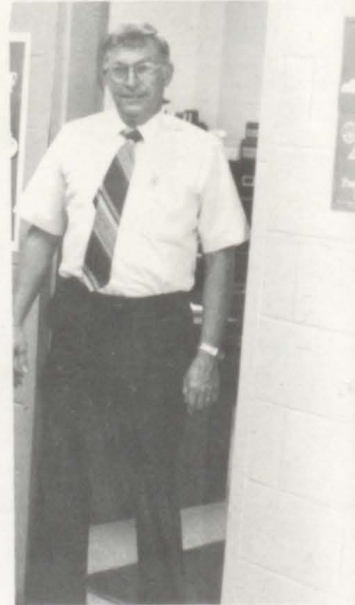
High School Principal
(above) Mr. Don Lewis

Elementary Principal
(below) Mr. Vegie Darden



Secretaries Linda Upchurch, Joanne Glasgow, Ginger Holland, Debra Walker, Judy Kinabrew

Junior High Principal (right)
Mrs. Glenda Wisenbaker



CLASSES

The attitudes
of the students
determine the
worth of the class.
-Andrea Busetto



SENIORITIS STRIKES

If you are a senior, or plan on becoming one in the near future, there are some things you should know about Senioritis. Senioritis can hit anyone, anytime. It can do horrible things to your grade point average. You begin to resemble all the seniors you hated when you were a

freshman. If you think you might be in a position to contract this dread disease, here are a few warning signs to look for:

1. You expect every class period to be a free day.
2. You put off homework until the period it is due. (Beware! This can also be a symptom of Junioritis, Sophomoritis, and

Freshmanitis.)

3. You actually look forward to wearing a green cap and gown.

4. You sleep through twice the number of classes you did when you were a junior.

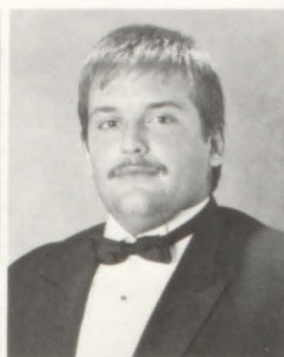
5. College applications take a backseat to tanning appointments.

6. You experience feel-

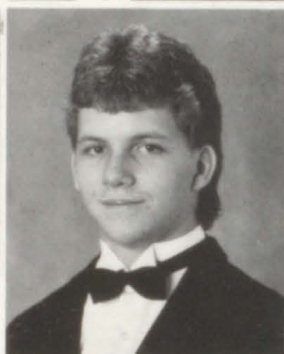
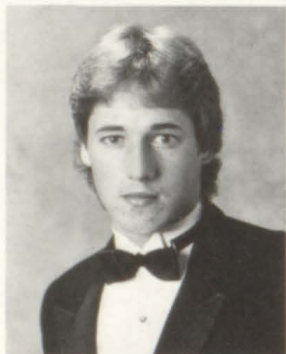
ings of anxiety when you wonder if maybe your parents were right all along.

If you have recently experienced any or all of these symptoms, contact the Senioritis Rehabilitation Program. Mr. Lewis will be glad to assist you. Don't wait. Twelve years in school is a terrible thing to waste.

Angela Anding
Scott Anding
Katha Black



David Burns
Susan James Busch
Keith Butler
Kathy Cannon



Clint Davis
Jeri Davis
Julie Davis
Ray Davis

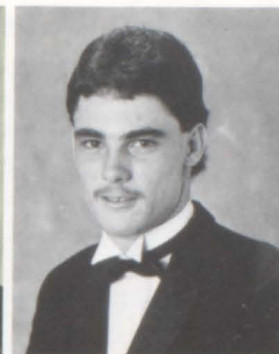
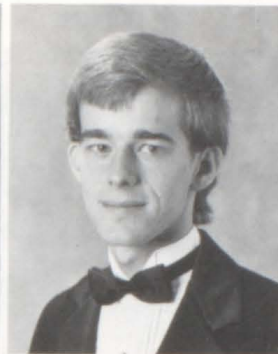
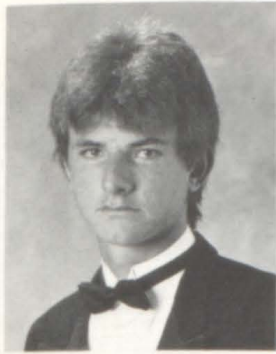


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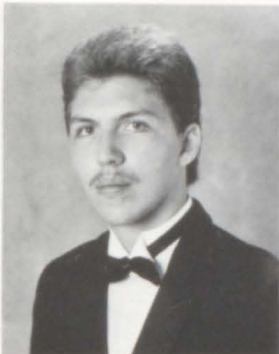




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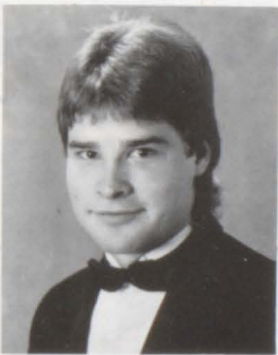
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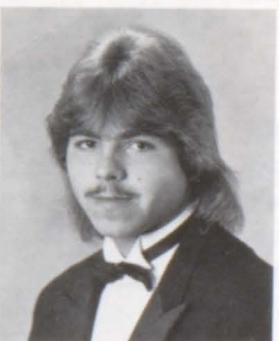
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Rhonda Sebastian
Scott Shute
Steve Sifers
Kimberley Thompson



Jennifer Vaughn
Tammy Wallace
Jeremy Whaley
Jerry Wood

What's Hot and What's Not

From the Cross Roads Perspective

Groovy! Right on!
You're a hip cat!

These days a translation would probably be needed for these once-popular phrases. The world around us changes so quickly now, as television and other media broadcast new terms and styles across the nation. The shifts in what is considered acceptable are sometimes ill-defined and difficult to follow; what's current here may already

Tie one on Jennifer Metcalf shows her friendship for Lorie Buchinger by knotting a colorful braided bracelet on her wrist. Many students were festooned with these decorations for weeks, knowing that to break the threads might mean the breaking off of friendships.

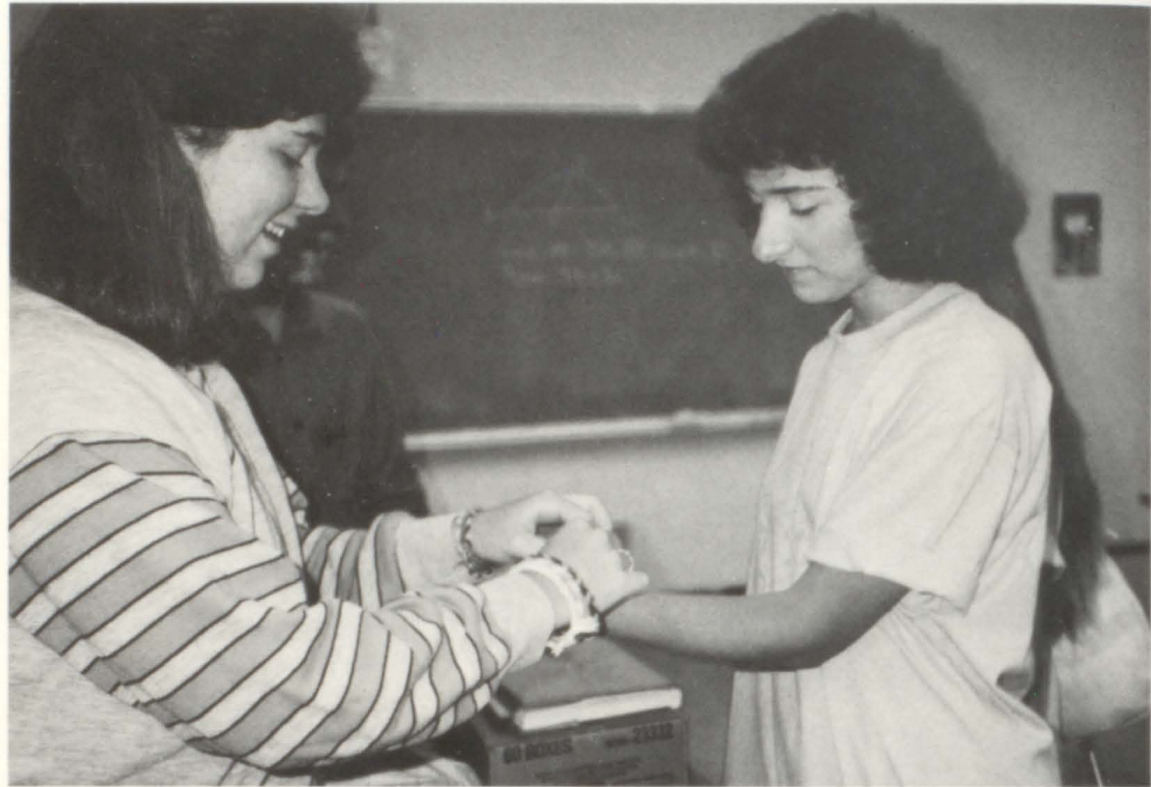
be passe' in the big city. But there are still some general guidelines to follow at Cross Roads if one wants to remain "cool".

HOT
friendship bracelets
acid washed jeans

miniskirts
hair crimping
Alf
The Wheel of Fortune and Vanna White
George Strait
giant sweatshirts with designs
"psyching" people

shoes with no socks

NOT
Spuds MacKenzie
"That's the ticket!"
Oliver North
Pee Wee Herman
Jim and Tammy Faye Baker



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Junior officers Pres. Wes Black, Treas. Chuck Brown, Sec. Trista Brashear (back) VP Cindy Bridwell

Jeanette Abbott
Lisa Alexander

Samuel Austin
Wes Black
Leslie Boyd
Wesley Boyde
Trista Brashear





Cindy Bridwell
Chuck Brown
Lorie Buchinger
Andrea Burnett
Kim Busby



Karl Butler
Larry Chandler
Natalie Coleman
Scott Defoore
Pam Dossier



Karen Holder
John Holland
Danielle Jones
April Killman
Michael Kuhn



Chad Lee
Les Loden
Gerald Marshall
Kim Mattingly
Jennifer Metcalf



Richard Miller
Lori Morgan
Donny Patterson
Terri Rogers
Jenny Scoggin



Clint Sorrell
Shayne Surls
Siovhan Upchurch
Tracy Wilson
Kristi Wood

Dream Dates?

Not On Your Life!

To many, the greatest experience in high school is the time spent with members of the opposite sex. Those special times spent with special people ... who can ever forget them? There is an incredible satisfaction involved when all the anxiety that comes before a long-awaited first date turns out to be worth it. Of course, the "dream dates" are wonderful, but what happens when the evening becomes a nightmare?

Something happens ... anything. Your date gets sick. You run into an ex-boyfriend or ex-girlfriend. Your date's parents obviously don't like you. Your date's friends obviously

don't like you. Your *date* obviously doesn't like you. No matter the reason, you really wish you could just crawl into a hole. We've all experienced it at one time or another. Several students shared these memories they'd rather forget.

I was going to the show and I had a flat. I was jacking up the truck and the jack slipped and hit me in the mouth and busted my tongue.

— Marlin Lamb

I was at the movies and my date went to hand me the drink which only had ice left in it. Instead it hit the armrest and dumped in my lap!

— Tina Morrison

I took a girl out to eat and then she got sick. I took her home, but I didn't even want to kiss her goodbye.

— Chip Crist

I slammed my finger in the car door. It left me speechless.

— Natalie Coleman

My worst date was when me and my girlfriend were going to the movies. We were supposed to be going alone, but we had a friend tag along. Her mother came and watched the movie with us. We never went out again.

— Don Sutton

We broke down on the way home from Athens

and had to walk all the way home.

— Angie Barnes

I drove to Chandler but got lost near Lake Tyler. My car wouldn't run and I found her house an hour late. I took her to watch a football game in Brownsboro, where we met her best friend, a girl I used to date. Her ex-boyfriend threatened to beat me up. I then spent \$3 on popcorn and \$5 apiece admission to a dance for a date who doesn't dance. I asked her if she wanted to leave, but she said no. So I left her there, then got a ticket on the way home.

—Michael Lowry

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Sophomore officers VP Angie Barnes, Treas. Fawn Killman, Pres. Justin Gunnels, Sec. Susan Fitzgerald

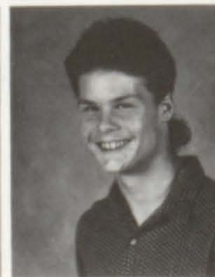


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Deana Akins
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Billy Beasley
Shannon Bell
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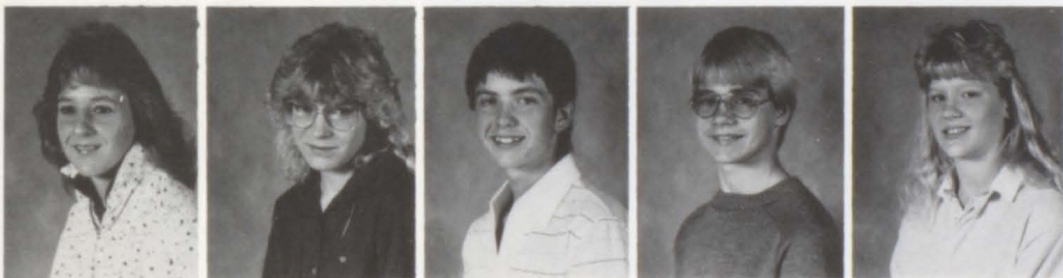
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Nikki Shute
Laura Smith



Kelly Sneed
Bibi Stewart
Mike Stovall
Don Sutton
Stephanie Upchurch



Sherri Wallace
Michele Wallis
Eddie Ward
Kristi Weaver
James Zotzky

The Word Is "Study"

Study Habits Suffer; Cramming Prevails

Vince Neil and the rest of Motley Crue are screaming through the stereo at about 7 on the volume dial. Some guy on Wheel of Fortune is yelling at Vanna White to see if there is an "N" in the puzzle. A friend is on the phone asking you to go to Mazzio's for pizza Friday night. The scene is complete; you're ready to study.

The methods of study that Cross Roads students use are as varied as the information being learned. Some listen to the radio while others watch TV. A lot of people like to eat while they study. "Dole fruit and juice bars with chocolate chip fudge striped cookies" are Daniel Holmes' favorite study

snacks.

Not surprisingly, however, the vast majority of students study in silence so they can concentrate. It seems that anything important enough to study is important enough to pay attention to. The real trick isn't the actual studying. It's deciding what to study for.

Figuring out whether to believe Mr. Holt when he says the test is easy can be a challenge in itself. Passing a test after deciding to trust Mrs. Cockrell when she claims her quiz will be a cinch is almost impossible.

These situations bring about the most popular form of study — the last-minute cram. The first bell has rung, and you are fran-

tically scrambling through piles of loose paper trying to isolate every iota of detail about the Spanish Inquisition. Unfortunately huge chunks of information sometimes won't fit in a brain in only five minutes.

However, most of us are

satisfied if we retain at least 70% of the material we tried to cram into our brain.

Important results Freshman Ginny Hicks hopes her study time will result in a passing grade on a makeup PreAlgebra six weeks test.



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Freshman officers (front) VP Leslie Dodd, Sec. Jessica Forney (back) Pres. Scott Stone, Treas. Mark Adams

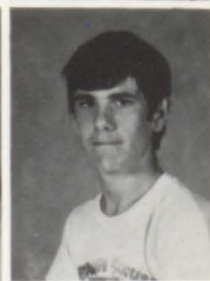
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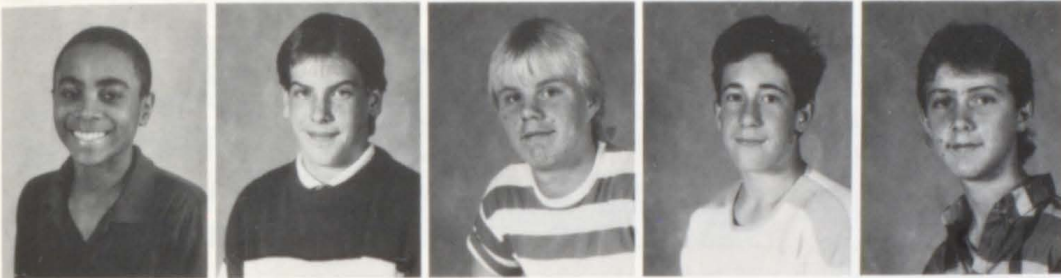




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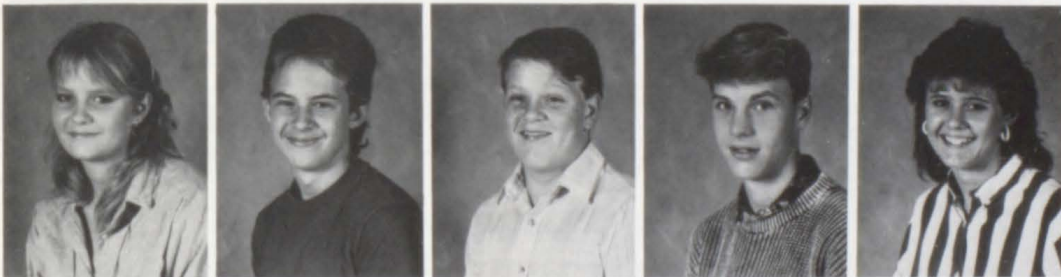
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Chris Quinn
Ric Ratley
Clanton Richardson
Jennifer Rogers



Tina Rogers
James Spears
Scott Starkes
Scott Stone
Jana Templin



Ricky Tigert
Rickey Trussell
Marlye Warren
Paul Weisinger
Melanie Willingham

The Secret Of My Success

Favorites Reveal Their Personal Approach

These eight students share one thing as class favorites: they get along well with the majority of their classmates. This is a major accomplishment due to the diverse personalities and temperaments of the people around them. Whatever their approach may be, these students were chosen as the best representatives from their classes. These are some of their secrets to success with their peers.

Being myself.
Freshman Mark Adams

I try to get along with everybody.
Sophomore Les Loden

I don't choose sides in fights.
Junior Cindy Bridwell

I helped Mrs. Holt count the votes.
Senior Michael Lowry

Junior Class (below) Les Loden and Cindy Bridwell

Freshman Class (top) Melanie Willingham and Mark Adams

Senior Class (below right) Angie Anding and Michael Lowry

Sophomore Class (right) Susan Fitzgerald and Justin Gunnels



Having the new building all to ourselves has been great, but it's also been lonely. I really miss all the crazy things all the high school people used to do to us. - Heidi Lippert

JUNIOR High



Fast Futures

Boys Take District Title

Winning isn't everything, some say, but for the junior high Bobcats it's right at the top of the list. As Matt Holland commented, "I enjoy winning and learning from the coaches most in basketball."

But it takes more than a competitive spirit to produce a winning team. More

than anything it takes a basic knowledge of fundamentals. Even though the team must run, practice in the morning, and sacrifice its spare time, most of the players look forward to their games. Their record of 10 wins and two one-point losses is a testament to their dedication.

Stretching it (top right) Danda Brown outleaps a Cayuga defender to score two points.

Driving downcourt Cory Barron rushes toward the goal in an effort to score.



Bobcat B Team (front) Jeremy Nash, Matt Reimer, Michael Aaron, Cory Barron (back) Obid Massey, Luke King, Shane Morgan, Gary Holder, Kenneth Washington, Coach Vaughn

Bobcat A Team (front) Phillip Kuhn, Trace Holder, Ronnie Alexander (back) Craig Arthus, Matt Holland, Grant Dixon, James Clark, Coach Vaughn

Girls Gain Confidence

Junior high basketball can be more work than most realize. Early morning workouts, long fundamental drills, and after-school practices are only a few of the many requirements that all the girls must meet to be a part of the team.

But, besides just being a part of the team, basketball has many other rewards.

As Danda Brown admits, "It's given me self-confidence to try my best and give it all I can." Even though basketball takes up lots of spare time, most of the girls don't mind.

It takes many devoted players, dedicated fans, and tireless coaches to produce a winning team. It seems as if this team has an abundance of all three.



A Team (top above) (front) Cindy Coker, Wendy Kinabrew, Sissy Lee, Kristie Hall, Tracey Boyde (back) Tina Moss, Lara Marshall, Danda Brown, Tina Hall, Nicky Pruitt, Nikki Wood, Sandy Hart

B Team (front) Julie Pearce, Wendy Morgan, Julie Hall, Tonya Morton, Kourtne Airheart (back) Tara Farmer, Jennifer Mewbourn, Kourtney Marshall, Staci Wilcox, Alana Vaughn, Amy Davis, Kakie Wallis

SCORES

Boys A&B

| Result | Opponent |
|--------|--------------|
| 56-17 | Kerens |
| 49-45 | Eustace |
| 35-34 | Cayuga |
| 71-19 | Kerens |
| 25-26 | Eustace |
| 33-28 | Cayuga |
| 46-39 | Martins Mill |
| 44-25 | Hubbard |
| 24-25 | Cayuga |
| 46-14 | Kerens |
| 28-26 | Eustace |
| 42-35 | Cayuga |

Season Record 10-2

Girls A

| | |
|-------|--------------|
| 16-30 | Kerens |
| 37-8 | Eustace |
| 41-37 | Cayuga |
| 16-24 | Kerens |
| 20-28 | Cayuga |
| 41-19 | Martins Mill |
| 25-28 | Cayuga |
| 30-39 | Cayuga |

Season Record 3-5

Girls B

| | |
|-------|---------|
| 20-13 | Kerens |
| 20-14 | Eustace |
| 24-6 | Cayuga |
| 16-24 | Kerens |
| 12-6 | Cayuga |
| 20-18 | Eustace |
| 41-12 | Eustace |
| 21-14 | Cayuga |

Season Record 7-1



Fast break Julie Hall sets up for a basket after running downcourt against Cayuga.

Strong Season Brings Confidence

Junior High Football Accepts Challenges

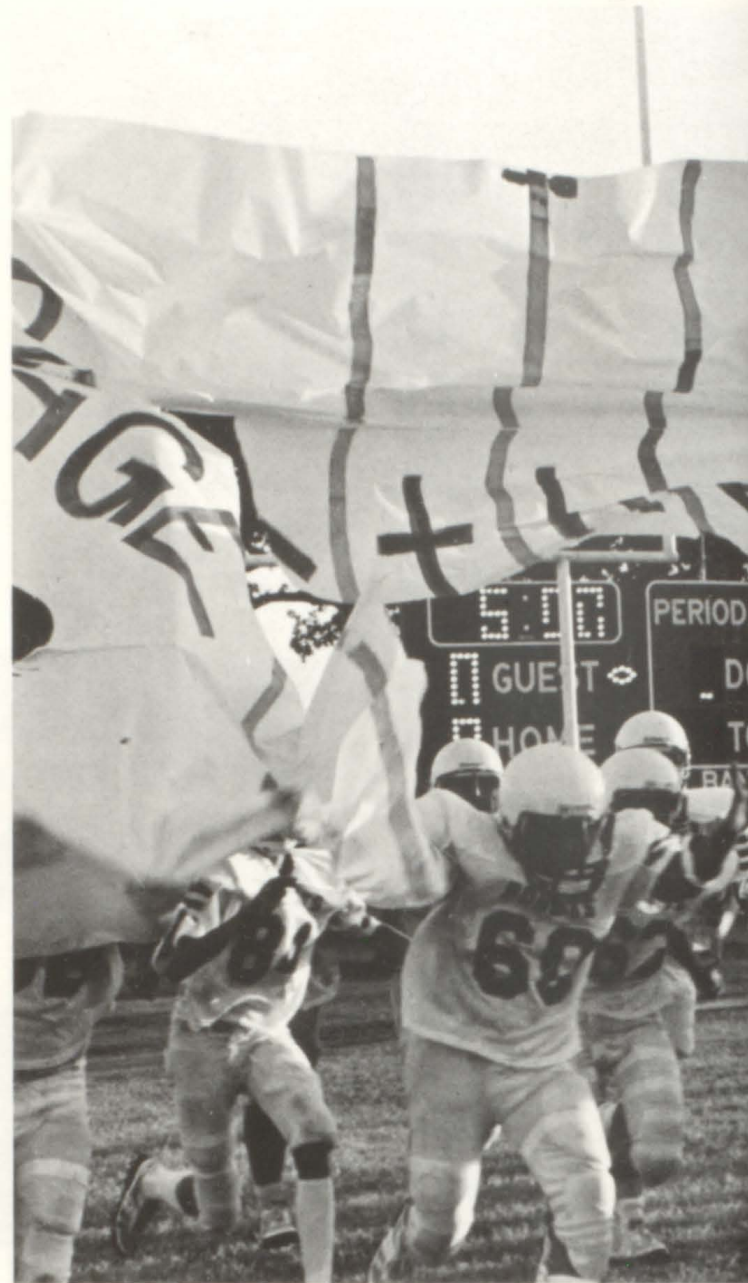
It was a banner year for the growing junior high football program. The eighth grade team finished the season tied for the district lead with six wins and two losses. The less experienced seventh grade squad finished with three wins, two losses, and one tie.

The older students agreed that the game involved hard work and preparation. Most players mentioned that after giving

it their all on Thursday nights, they woke up sore on Friday mornings. Many players agreed with Craig Arthus that "the coaches and their support helped a great deal in bringing the team together."

Ready for action The Junior High Bobcats are anxious to cage the Blooming Grove Lions.

Intensity Coach Vaughn stresses the basics at halftime.



SCORES

Football

| Result | Opponent |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Eighth Grade | |
| 22-0 | T.K. Gorman |
| 8-0 | Palmer |
| 0-14 | Scurry Rosser |
| 20-8 | Blooming Grove |
| 8-46 | Crandall |
| 34-0 | Kerens |
| 20-14 | Eustace |
| 26-0 | Cayuga |
| Season Record 6-2 | |
| Seventh Grade | |
| 12-0 | Scurry Rosser |
| 20-0 | Blooming Grove |
| 0-6 | Crandall |
| 6-6 | Eustace |
| 14-0 | Cayuga |
| 6-16 | Eustace |
| Season Record 3-2-1 | |



Junior High Bobcats (front row) L. King, P. Kuhn, C. Barron, G. Sellers, J. Branch, P. Dawson, M. Reimer, D. Lugo, M. Aaron, C. Whaley (2nd row) E. Coward, B. Murphy, K. Washington, T. Holder, D. Sutton, C. Silvey, G. Holder, B. Pruitt, J. Holt, J. Nash (3rd row) G. Dixon, C. Busby, J. Logan, R. Smith, C. Arthus, M. Holland, J. McCool, R. Goodman (back row) C. Addison, O. Massey, J. Mershon, T. Barbour, S. Morgan, K. Rogers, J. Clark, J. Schneider, T. Alexander, Asst. Coach Billy Hughes, Coach Richard Vaughn

Cheering Them On

Win, Lose, Or Tie —

JH Cheerleaders

Stick With Their Team

The junior high school cheerleaders found out that the effort required to be a cheerleader paid off in spirit. Increased spirit was their goal, and they achieved it with enthusiasm.

The six girls enjoyed travelling to the away games together. Head cheerleader Angel Bridwell explained that "when we travelled, it gave us a sense of pride, and with us there,

it seemed as if the boys wanted to win!" The squad also painted signs for the games and decorated halls and lockers. Jennifer Mewbourn stated, "I feel that the decorating built up everyone's spirit." During the summer the girls improved their skills at a camp held by the varsity cheerleaders. Beverly Jenkins served as sponsor for the squad this year.



Pyramid power Sandy Hart, Angel Bridwell, and Kakie Wallis support the team and Kristie Hall, (top) Julie Hall, and Jennifer Mewbourn.

Junior High Cheerleaders (top to bottom) Julie Hall, Kristie Hall, Jennifer Mewbourn, Kakie Wallis, (left) Sandy Hart, (right) Angel Bridwell



Track Sets The Pace *Boys Compete Against Clock*

Do you enjoy sweating through long practices, sprinting with your last bit of energy, using all your power to jump as high as possible, or throwing your shoulder out of joint with the shotput? If so, you have what it takes to make the boys track team.

The eighth grade boys combined these skills to take first place in a tough district. The seventh grade guys, though less experienced in track events, brought home first place in district as well. It was their dedication to a strict regimen of training that brought about their victories in both individual and team events.



Taking it in Grant Dixon takes the baton from Matt Holland and heads for the finish line.

Junior High Bobcat Track (front) Phillip Kuhn, Matt Reimer, Jerry Wethington, Brian Murphy, Trace Holder, Chris Whaley, Cory Barron, Jeremy Nash, Michael Aaron, Gary Holder (back) Shane Morgan, John Mershon, Grant Dixon, Matt Holland, Kenny Rogers, Craig Arthus, Coach Vaughn, Terry Barbour, Kenneth Washington, Raymond Goodman, Clay Busby, James Clark, Luke King, David Sutton





Girls Take It On The Run

Running, throwing, and jumping — they are the basic skills used during track season. These fundamentals can make or break a shotputter or a relay runner. The girls track team learned their lessons well. The eighth grade squad placed first at district competition, and the seventh grade girls took third place.

Stretching for inches Kourtne Marshall gains speed on the runway for the long jump as Tina Moss observes.



On the mark Craig Arthus clutches the baton around the turn.

Junior High Lady Bobcats (front row) Kourtney Airheart, Julie Hall, Wendy Morgan, Cindy Coker, Amy Davis, Sissy Lee, Wendy Kinabrew, Jennie Jock, Tonya Morton, Tracey Boyde (2nd row) Shanna Brownlee, Patricia Agin, Lorri Holsom, Alana Vaughn, Jennifer Pearce, Julie Pearce, Kakie Wallis, Amy Buchinger, Kourtney Marshall, Regina Sifers (back row) Coach Guidry, Jennifer Mewbourn, Tina Moss, Danda Brown, Sandy Hart, Nikki Wood, Tina Hall, Nicky Pruitt, Sharla Graham, Angel Bridwell

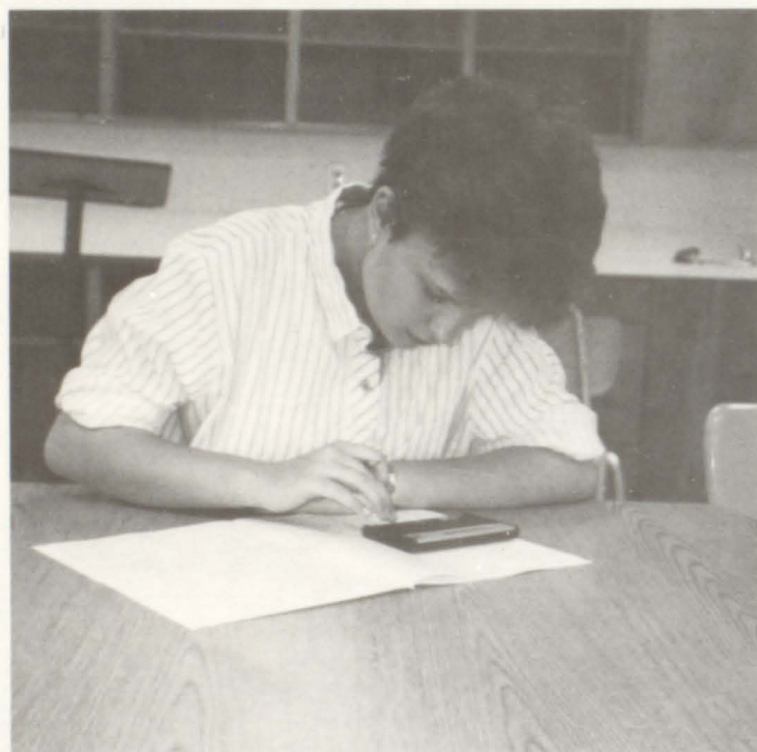
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#1 Again!

UILers Take District

Thirty junior high students competed in UIL Literary contest, with twenty-one students placing in the top six in their event. Their individual success led to another district victory in UIL competition for the junior high as a whole. Participating in events ranging from ready writing to calculator applications, the students put in many hours of practice to perfect their skills.

JH UIL champs (front row) Tara Farmer, Alana Vaughn, Jennifer Mewbourn, Kourtney Marshall (2nd row) Wendy Morgan, Jennifer Pearce, Angela Crumrine, Kourtnie Airheart (3rd row) Kori Lippert, Kakie Wallis, Amy Buchinger, Angel Bridwell, Tina Moss, Sandy Hart (back row) Clay Busby, Grant Dixon, Matt Holland, Craig Arthus, James Clark, Kenneth Washington, Matt Reimer.



Reading aloud Sandy Hart, Kourtney Marshall, and Tara Farmer practice their oral reading prior to district competition.



Calculating minds Kori Lippert punches keys to score highly on a practice calculator test. Calculator was a new contest added to the long list of UIL events this year.

Come And Get It!

Awards Time

Excellence was a goal for many students, and those who achieved the goal were honored at the annual awards presentation. Recognition ranged from students with perfect attendance to those who had remained a permanent fixture on the A Honor Roll. What a fitting end to a year filled with outstanding accomplishments!



Honor awards (above left) Students achieving academic excellence in all subjects are (front) Angel Bridwell, Jennifer Pearce, Julie Hall, Jennifer Mewbourn, Kori Lippert, (back) Craig Arthus, Matt Reimer, Matt Holland, and Grant Dixon.



Presidential Academic Fitness Awards (far left) (front) Kori Lippert, Angel Bridwell, (back) Grant Dixon, James Clark, Matt Holland, and Craig Arthus.



Extraordinary Effort Award Jimmy Ellis received special recognition.



8th grade Merit Awards (left) Angel Bridwell, Math; Kori Lippert, History; (back) Craig Arthus, Science; Matt Holland, English.

7th grade Merit Awards (above) Julie Hall, Math; Jennifer Mewbourn, English and Science; Malissia Meador, History.

SPIRIT!

Eighth Graders Redefine the Term

As the bell rings, ending seventh period, the junior high becomes a loud and crowded place to be. Many of the students are ready for that afternoon's athletic contest. No matter what sport is being played, or whether the combatants are junior high or high school students — the junior high is coming out to support the

team.

The junior high students are an enthusiastic bunch when it comes to showing spirit. Cheerleaders decorated the halls weekly to urge support and boost the morale of the junior high teams. At pep rallies the seventh and eighth graders set new decibel records for shouting their teams on to victory. The fans feel they

are part of the action, not just spectators. This spirit has undoubtedly played an important role in spurring the junior high teams to great seasons this year.

Cheering them on Alana Vaughn and Nicky Pruitt join others in motivating the junior high football team during the final pep rally.



Junior High Spirit Means

Caring whether or not your team wins but knowing it's only a game. Supporting your teammates whether they win or lose.

— Regeana Pryor

When everyone stands up at a junior high basketball game even though everyone says they're not as much fun as high school. They stand up just to support their team.

— Angel Bridwell

Fully supporting your team and teammates whether the scoreboard says you win or your heart says so. It's also remembering you have a chance next year.

— Kristie Hall

EIGHTH GRADE

Patty Agin



Tommy Alexander
Craig Arthus
Terry Barbour
Tracey Boyd
Angel Bridwell





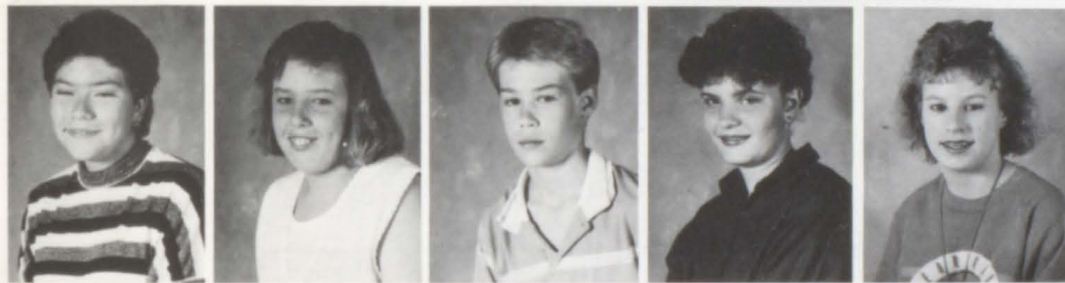
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Amy Buchinger
Angie Chandler
James Clark
Cindy Coker



Grant Dixon
Timothy Edwards
Sharla Graham
Kristie Hall
Tina Hall



Sandy Hart
Trace Holder
Matt Holland
Jamie Holt
Denice Hughes



Danielle King
Stacy Kirk
Phillip Kuhn
Kori Lippert
Lara Marshall



Jerry McCool
John Mershon
Tina Moss
Julie Pearce
Bobby Pruitt



Nicky Pruitt
Kenny Rogers
Gary Sellers
Rickey Smith
David Sutton

So Many Distractions, So Little Time

Seventh Graders Find New Ways To Avoid Classwork

Have you ever tried to waste an entire class period? There are many methods to avoid paying attention to the lesson being presented by the teacher. You could choose to sleep, throw paper, or even paint your nails. The most popular ways to waste time in class are writing notes and talking.

A lot of seventh grade students like to talk in class in order to waste time. Some talk because "you

don't have to do work," says Jennifer Pearce. Other reasons to talk include catching up on local events or "not listening to the teacher," Chasity Brown adds.

Another thing students like to do in class is write notes. "You don't get caught as easily is probably a good reason for this," claims Natalie Coleman. Julie Hall and Jennifer Mewbourn like to write notes to "catch up on the

latest gossip."

Probably since the creation of the very first school, sleeping has been the most effective and least productive means of class-wasting. As a result, it is probably the most widely-used method. As far as drawbacks go, one could ask junior Larry Chandler. His lecture-time naps are infamous among teachers. On one occasion Larry slept through an entire class period and well into

the next before a kind soul woke him!

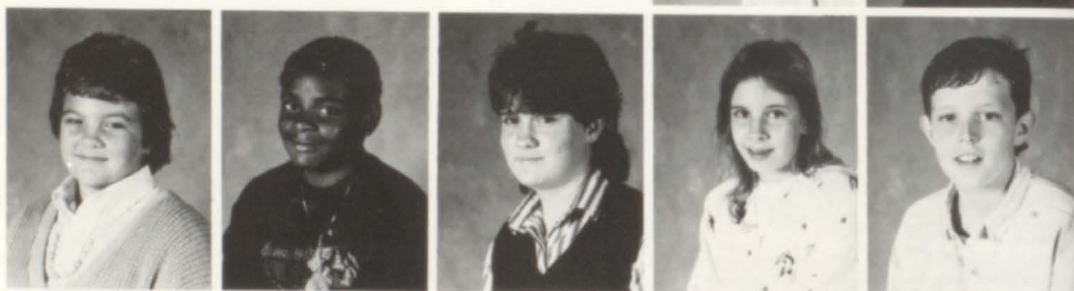
Do you seem to be running out of creative ways to waste class time? Is avoiding knowledge becoming a major effort? Well, perhaps it's time to try a radical new approach. Why not try actually listening to the teacher? But be careful — you may accidentally learn something!

SEVENTH GRADE

Michael Aaron
Rodney Addison



Kourtnie Airheart
Cory Barron
Chasity Bates
Shanna Brownlee
Clay Busby



Aquanata Cogburn
Angela Crumrine
Amy Davis
Lalainia Day
Tara Farmer



Raymond Goodman
Cari Grasty
Maria Guevara
Julie Hall
Jason Hart





Gary Holder
Lorri Holson
Jennie Jock
Wendy Kinabrew
Luke King



Sissy Lee
Benji Loden
Dana Logan
Jamie Logan
David Lugo



Kourtnie Marshall
Obid Massey
Malissia Meador
Jennifer Mewbourn
Shane Morgan



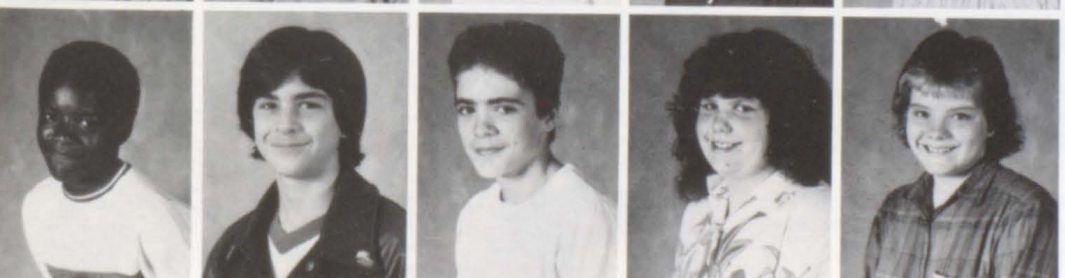
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Tonya Morton
Bryan Murphy
Jeremy Nash
Kathy Oliver



Jennifer Pearce
Glenn Philips
Delta Radican
Matt Reimer
Cherry Rounsavall



Curt Silvey
Joe Snider
Donna Stevenson
Alana Vaughn
Kakie Wallis



Kenneth Washington
Jerry Wethington
Chris Whaley
Staci Wilcox
Nikki Wood

Moving On

8th Graders Head On To High School

That first day of kindergarten, the move up to elementary school — each contributes in its own way to our memories. Graduation from eighth grade is one of the most meaningful of these milestones.

This year graduation gained even greater significance. The move on to high school would mean dealing with a different campus and an almost entirely new set of teachers. Caught halfway between childhood and the adult world, they would soon accept more responsibility as high school students. As for now, they took the time to enjoy a very special milestone in their lives.



Jubilant (above) Kori Lippert and Tina Moss rejoice after graduation ceremonies make them official high school students.

Top of the heap Class honors went to Salutatorian Angel Bridwell and Valedictorian Matt Holland.



Worth the wait (above) Craig Arthus receives his long-awaited diploma from Mr. McKinnerney.

Anxious but ready Eighth graders try to relax before the ceremony begins.

elementary



if I ever
get out of
elementary
it will be
a miracle
Pat Lewis

My Favorite Things

Do you have a favorite pillow or perhaps an old teddy bear you can't live without? These are the "material years." Sixth graders most prized possessions range from four wheelers to families to F-14 Tomcat jet models. Others like Danielle Duke and Crystal Abbott treasure their pets the most. Jency Reese's most prized "possessions" are guys because, "You have to get one sooner or later so why not make it sooner?" These special objects in our lives can make the difficult times easier to deal with.



Overstuffed Crystal Abbott gains comfort from her menagerie of stuffed animals.

Excuses, Excuses!

"My dog ate my homework!" This is a age-old excuse. Your parents used it when they were in school. Now kids use excuses like "my sister's guinea pig ate it." Another student couldn't complete the assignment because he "had to have plastic

surgery." The most creative reason for not doing homework came from Shanda Meadows, who explained that "it jumped into a UFO window and now it is on the planet Zootone"!

No excuses Carla Nash and Danny Johnson hand their homework papers in to Deke Crutchfield without excuses.



SIXTH GRADE

Mrs. Thomas
Mr. Ward
Crystal Abbott



Donald Adkins
Carrie Arthus
Cindy Barnes
David Bass
Karoline Black



Kris Burns
Mark Burrows
Deke Crutchfield
Amy Davis
Danielle Duke





Joe Emmert
Erin Farmer
Mitch Farnham
Crystal Grasham
Roxanne Handley



Stacy Harris
Bryan Hehmann
Sam Henson
Kellie Hernandez
Danny Johnson



Tommy Justice
Brian Lee
Christal Lipsey
Copper Locke
Stacie Logan



Daniel Lugo
Heather Martin
Shawn McCullough
Donnie McKinnerney
Shanda Meadows



Jamie Morgan
Fonda Morton
Carla Nash
Trey Norman
Jason Rainwater



Jensy Reese
Steven Richardson
George Sellers
Kelly Spence
Dustin Sutton



Jennifer Sutton
Jeff Wallace
Lisa Weaver
Robby Weisinger
Brandon Willingham

The Best Is Yet To Come

Fifth Grade Band Enjoys Growth

Fifth grade is a tough year. More responsibility than ever before comes with the territory. And the year is even more challenging because, for many students, it's the first chance to become really involved with the extracurricular activities that are so common to Cross Roads life. For most students their new commitment takes on one form: fifth grade band!

It is hard enough to be asked to make a noise with an instrument that, in many cases, is as big as the person playing it. It is even tougher when those sounds are supposed to form music. Fifth grade parents have wondered for years about those strange

sounds coming from their child's bedroom. Luckily, however, Cross Roads is mainly a rural area. Many a young virtuoso has spent long hours of practice in the middle of the north forty, according to their parents' instructions.

Those same parents, however, can almost always be found at concerts, where not one but many small musicians strut their musical knowledge together. And as they play, dreams of future performances dance in their heads. Trombonist Greg Avant and clarinetist Amy Akers look ahead to playing at the football games. French horn player Mandy Brown also foresees the ex-

citement of travelling to other schools for performances. And trumpet player Josh Monroe? Well, he simply looks forward to "being the best".

With the dedication and maturity these and other fifth graders have shown

towards music, there is little doubt that they will be.

Keeping time Trumpet players Leslie Morrison and Karrienne Wanek lead their section in learning new music for the spring performances of the fifth grade band.

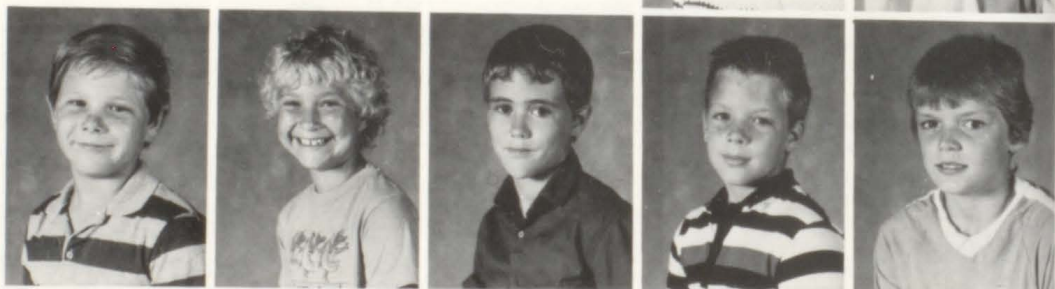


FIFTH GRADE

Mrs. Jenkins
Mrs. Jones



Phillip Agin
Amy Akers
Terry Alotto
Greg Avant
Rickey Baker



Joy Bass
Adam Bishop
Mandy Brown
Ben Calhoun
Steven Daniel





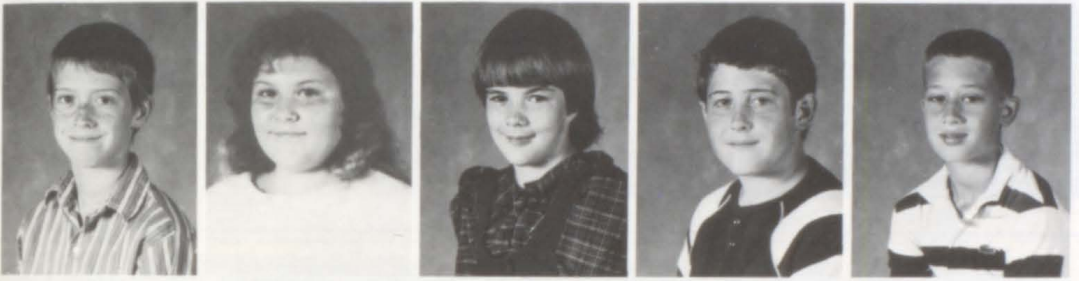
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Angela Dewees
Josh Disotell
Stacey Dixon
Natalie Duke



Bud Fletcher
Jesus Guevara
Teri Gunnels
Michael Hall
Jennifer Hardin



Greg Holt
Brandon Jenkins
Nickie Jock
Marcus Judie
Kathy Loden



Pat Lowry
Cherie McCarty
Brandy McClintock
Allen Metcalf
Josh Monroe



Jennifer Moore
Leslie Morrison
Holli Newton
Tayla Nichols
Marla Penix



Tim Ratley
Brad Reimer
Brandon Reynolds
Amanda Russell
Jody Schedule



Lori Trammell
Eric Vaughn
Ami Vike
Sherri Vike
Karrienne Wanek

But My Favorite Show Is On, Mom!

Fourth Graders Explain Their Viewing Choices

Young students begin to make decisions about their preferences at an early age. For many youngsters the television set is a close friend and one with whom they spend much time. Therefore the decisions they make about the programs they watch are very important ones. Mr. Nielsen would agree, as much time is invested in developing and marketing television shows for children. Our fourth graders were not hesitant about explaining their choices of TV programs which are listed among their favorites.

I love Alf, 'cause he is funny, short, furry, and he's something like E.T. He makes me laugh and it's a good family program.

— Jared Templin

Valerie's Family is good because they always have a problem and they solve it in a funny way.

— James Ashley

Wild eyes Amy Washington and Lawanda Roland are mesmerized by the Wheel of Fortune. Many young students spend hours every day watching their favorite television programs.



FOURTH GRADE

Mrs. King
Mrs. Scoggin
Renee Aaron

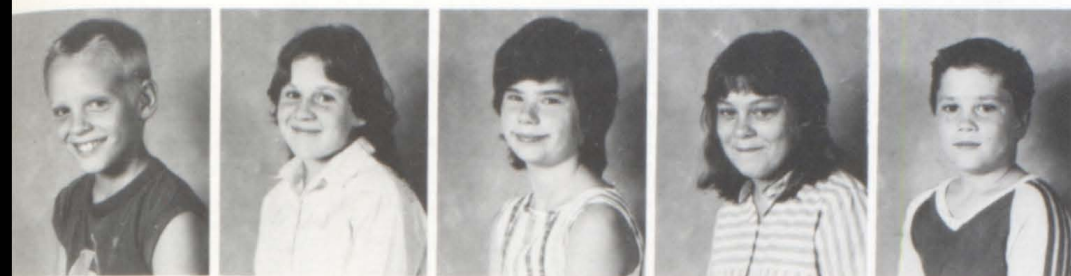


Chris Arthus
James Ashley
Jeremy Ashley
Brad Barbour
Valerie Barnes



Dara Beeson
Nicole Busby
Melinda Calvert
Daniel Clark
Wesley Crowley





Gabriel Daley
Jennifer Day
Sandi Elsom
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Heath Greenawalt



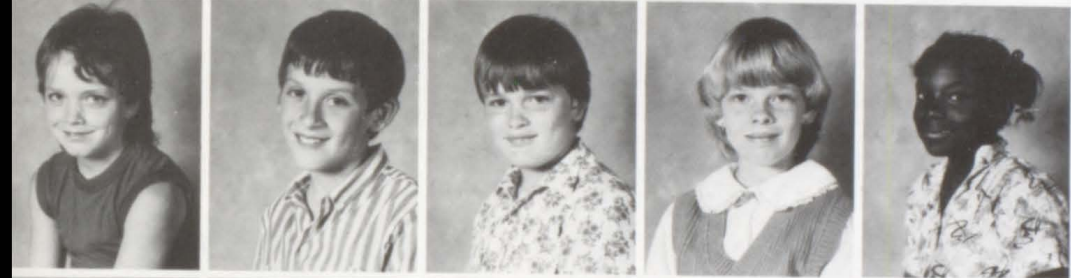
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Jackie Manuel
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Jerry Massey



Macey Marshall
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Mesinda Moore
Celina Morrison
Larry Morrison



Fabian Nichols
Jason Palmer
Gary Rogers
Georgia Rogers
Lawanda Roland



Tammy Seat
Bradley Stewart
Jared Templin
Cory Thompson
Misty Tower



Angie Vaughn
Jessica Warren
Amy Washington
Kari Whaley
Damon Williams

Things Are Looking Up!

Third Graders Choose Older Students to Admire

Sometimes it's difficult being a younger kid in a school where there is so much interaction between children of all ages. For younger kids, it may be hard to find a seat on the bus that isn't already occupied by a much-older schoolmate. Unused water fountains (the only kind you won't get pushed away from) are a luxury. These difficulties can be much easier to deal with if a kind, understanding older student makes a tiny effort to help a smaller person.

The reason some upper-classmen are more revered than others are varied. Third graders each have their personal favorites, and their own reasons for

liking that student so much. Some third graders took the time to choose their favorite "older person" and to explain why they look up to them.

Wes Black: He is quarterback for Cross Roads High School Bobcats football team. — Kris Nash

Shannon Bell: He's my brother. I like his freckles. I think he's kinda cute! — Dawn Bell

Laura Smith: She makes good grades in high school. She is funny, and she rides to school with me. — Jay Martin

Admirable pair Dawn Bell thinks her brother Shannon Bell is one of her favorite older students. Many chose athletes as preferred persons in the upper grades.



THIRD GRADE

Mrs. Combs
Mrs. Simmons



Keith Baggett
Carmen Baker
Rana Beeson
Dawn Bell
Bryan Bevel



John Boothe
Jimmy Boyd
Donnie Cason
Jennifer Coe
Aaron Cooke





Casey Crumrine
Deeona Dawson
Krista Duke
Boyce Edwards
Amanda Feltenberger



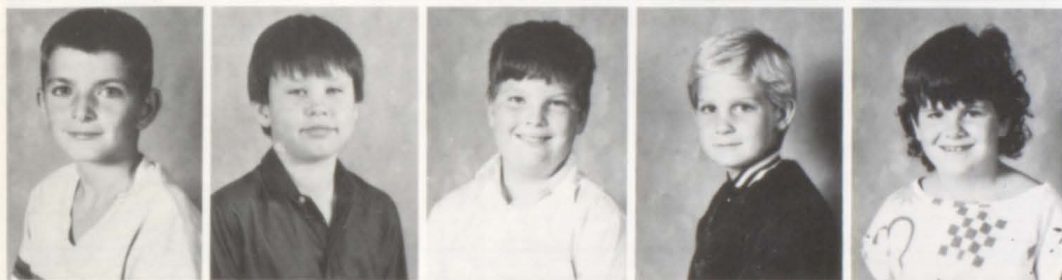
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Justin Hart
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Kodi Marshall
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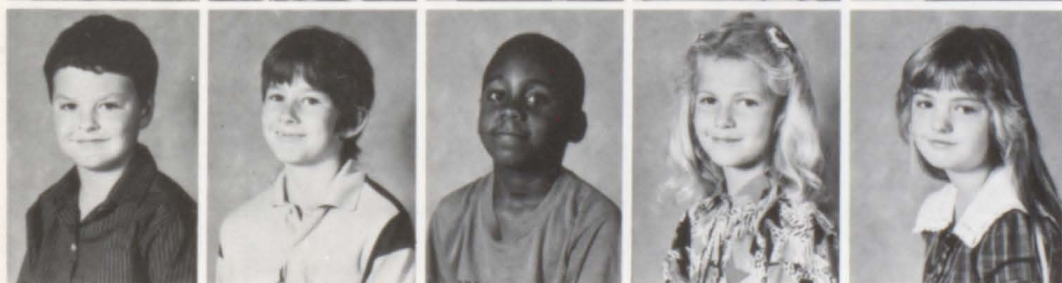
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Jessica Parks



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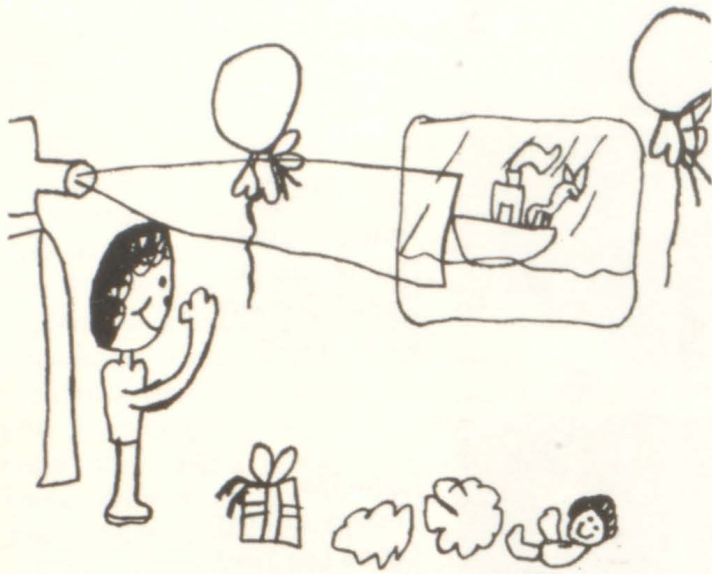
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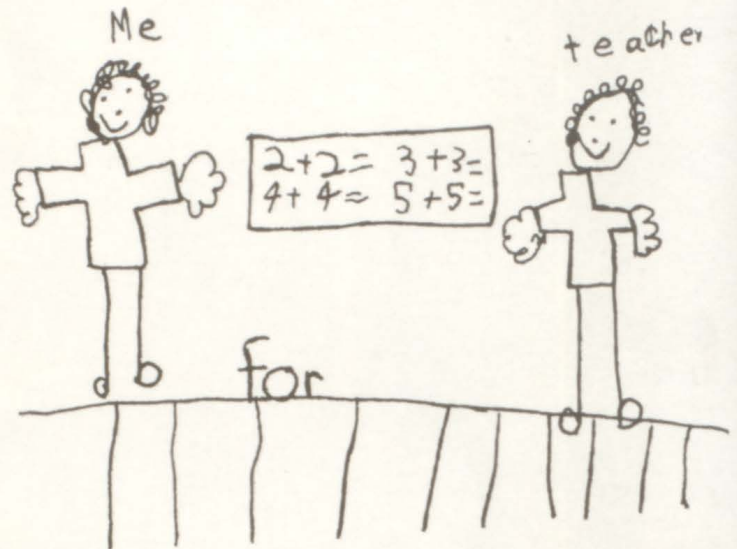
A Few of Our Favorite Things

Second Graders Illustrate Their Most Enjoyable School Moments



I like a party and a film.

-Jackie Warren



Music — I like to sing.
— Kathryn McDaniel

Math — It is fun
and I learn.
-Jennifer Hutchison

SECOND GRADE

Mrs. Gunnels
Mrs. Woolverton
Chanda Adams
Michael Adkins



Wesley Akers
Shelly Anderson
Clint Black
Christi Braly
Damon Dowell





Sheila Dozier
Amanda Drinkhouse
Pat Garrett
Everett Graham
Judd Guidry



Brian Hall
Amanda Hart
Maricella Herrera
Jason LaVassar
Sam Lipsey



Sammy LoBello
Jerry Manuel
Jenny Martin
Kathryn McDaniel
Jeremy McKenzie



Rachel Monroe
Rebecca Moore
Jamie Rainwater
Stephanie Schedule
Andy Smith



Willie Swarm
Brandy Tolbert
Natalie Tolbert
Tiffani Trammell
Krista Underhill



Becky Vaughn
Kristy Vaughn
Wendy Wanek
Jackie Warren
Leigh Ann Weaver

FIRST GRADE

Thanksgiving daze Richard Hoover guzzles milk after giving thanks for this meal he shared with other 1st and 2nd grade Pilgrims and Indians.



Mrs. Harris
Eric Ackerman
Brandy Beaubien
Jessica Beekman
Hope Daley



Derrick Dowell
Ronnie Feagins
Colene Gibson
Wesley Harvey
Richard Hoover



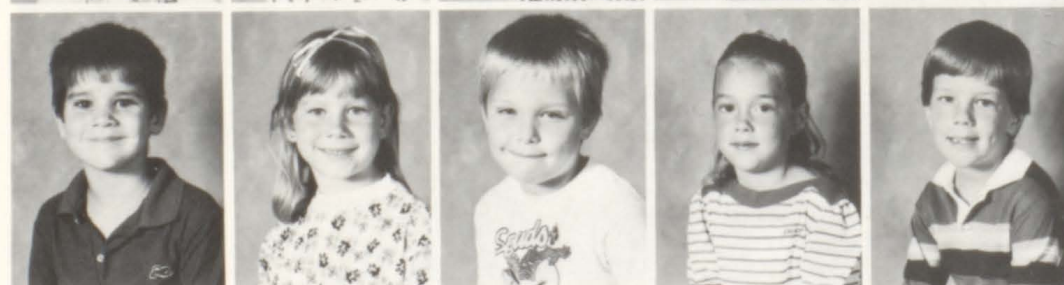
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Raymond McDaniel
Jackie McKinley



Dustin Meadows
Rashonda Morton
Stacie Palmer
Chris Passons
Misty Radican



Cody Reynolds
Shauna Shook
Kyle Stutts
Michelle Westmoreland
Nathan Wheeler



Dreamland Fantasy Kindergarten Play Makes Tales Live

A sleepy youngster headed off to sleep, and his dreams were peopled with all of his favorite fairy tale characters. The kindergarten class of 1988 chose to recreate his dreams, and their production cast a spell over the entire audience.

Written by Mrs. Silvey and directed by Mrs. Killpatrick, the presentation utilized the onstage skills of each kindergarten student. Intricate costumes were designed, and hours of practice stood them in good stead on the night of the elementary awards program. Adults and children in the audience marvelled at the production, and all were willingly transported into dreamland for the evening.



Joyous dancing (above) Snow White (Jessica Wallace) is surrounded by happy elves after her decision to stay with them.



On the way to Oz Dorothy (Christina Day) explains the voyage to Oz to the Cowardly Lion (Weldon Dent), the Scarecrow (James Jones), and the Tin Man (J. L. Kinabrew).

Nag, nag, nag The Old Hag (Deleana Walker) gripes at Rapunzel (Tanya Trammell) to let down her hair one more time.



Never growing old Tinkerbell (Ashley Norman) seems to enjoy the company of Peter Pan (Spence Airheart).



Anyone Can Be A Hero

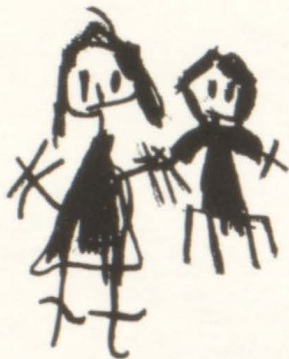
From a Kindergartener's View
Who Is Your Hero and Why?



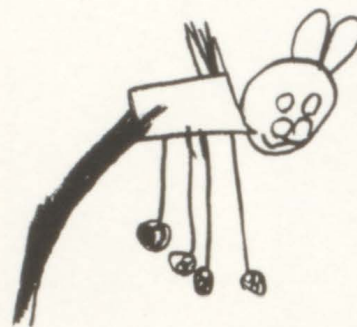
Mighty Mouse
He can lift strong things.
— Christina Day



The Lone Ranger
'Cause he's tough. He got a
friend named Tonto.
— Spence Airheart



My mommy and my daddy
Her has been good to me
and my daddy 'cause he
killed the skunk so it
wouldn't eat my chicken
up.
— Jessica Wallace



Jesus
He can bring you up to
Heaven and He's so nice.
— Jennifer Harmon

Heman
He can beat Skeletor.
— Jeremy Hutson

Decimal my horse
When Kelly was going to
kick me, Decimal kicked
her back.
— Ashley Norman

KINDER- GARTEN

Mrs. Killpatrick
Mrs. Silvey



Spence Airheart
Shawn Adkins
Joshua Baker
Toi Beasley



Jared Bostic
Ryan Brown
Kimberly Burns
Jennifer Campbell
Candise Canady





Jacob Chitty
 William Davis
 Christina Day
 Weldon Dent
 Samuel Feagins



Tiffani Feltenberger
 Jennifer Harmon
 Tye Hawkins
 Laurie Holder
 Jeremy Hutson



David Jones
 James Jones
 Stacy Kanae
 J.L. Kinabrew
 Alecia Lee



Jarod Mills
 Ashley Norman
 Wendie Oliver
 Elizabeth Powell
 Michelle Rist



Michael Rushing
 Jackie Russell
 Tonya Shirley
 B.J. Smith
 Carrie Thompson



Tanya Trammell
 Jessica Wallace
 Madeline Warren
 William Westmoreland
 Jarod Wilson

Building Skills

UILers Make Progress

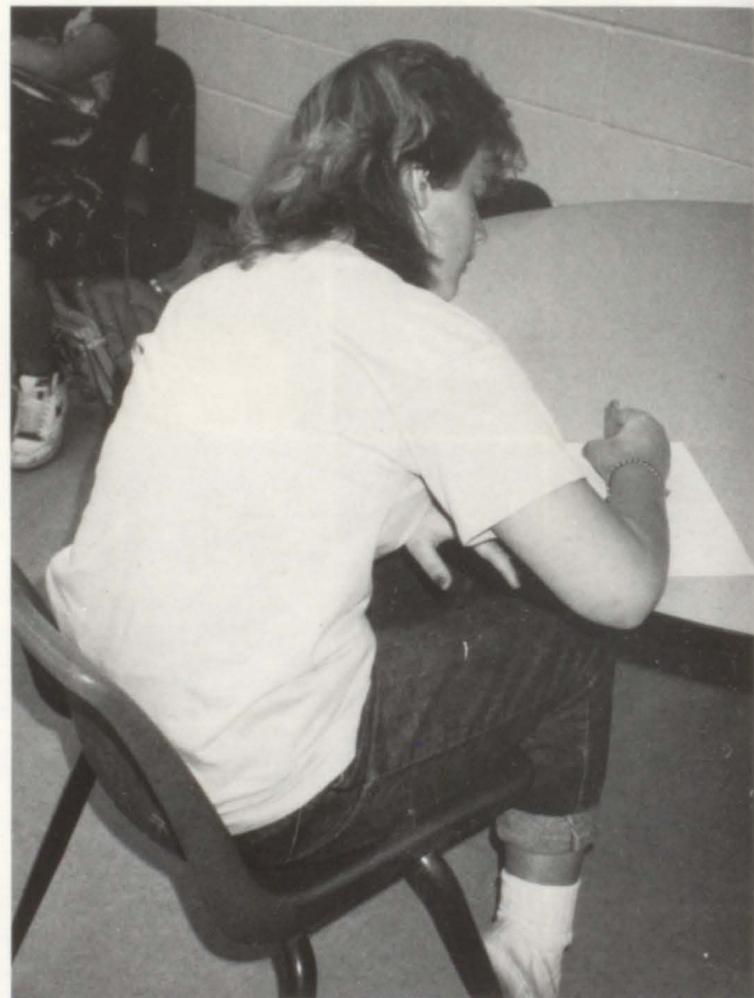
Competing in a tough district, elementary UIL Literary participants found it impossible to capture first place in district contest. But along the way they picked up invaluable experience that will serve them well in future competitions. Forty-one students and fourteen alternates travelled to contest, and the participants amassed 84 1/2 points to place 5th as a team. Individual awards and close finishes gave the students the desire to return to sharpen their competitive skills next year.



UIL participants (front row) Carrie Arthus, Jenny Hardin, Lisa Weaver, Erin Farmer, Stacy Harris, Mitch Farnham, Cindy Barnes, Wendy Wanek, Jennifer Hutchison, Stacy Dixon, Jency Reese (2nd row) Jeremy Teague, David Bass, Danielle Duke, Amy Davis, Karrienne Wanek, Rachel Monroe, Renee Aaron, Ronnie Maxwell, Sandi Elsom (3rd row) Lee Walker, Chana Wiliford, Nicole Busby, Kari Whaley, Jade Lindley (4th row) Angie Dewees, Terri Gunnels, Jessica McKenzie, Dawn Bell (top row) Ben Calhoun, Brandon Reynolds, Justin Hart, Josh Monroe, Andy Pearce, Michael Hall, Keith Baggett



Stage fright cure Jency Reese prepares for the UIL judges by presenting her Oral Reading piece for an audience.



On your mark Karrienne Wanek practices writing on specific topics to prepare herself for Ready Writing contest.



Way To Go! Academic Achievements Acknowledged

It is a terrific feeling to know that you have accomplished something special. Elementary students had that feeling often this year, if the number of awards presented at the annual awards ceremony was any indication. The recognition given to the outstanding students, with their proud families looking on, would serve as a true motivation to next year's student population.



Outstanding students (above) Cody Reynolds and Stacie Palmer, 1st grade; Amanda Hart and Chana Wiliford, 2nd grade; Dawn Bell and Danny Groom, 3rd grade.

Presidential Academic Fitness (left) Awards went to (front) Amy Davis, Danielle Duke, Erin Farmer, Karoline Black, Crystal Abbott, Cindy Barnes, (back) Bryan Hehmann, Donnie McKinnerney, Lee Walker, David Bass, Joseph Emmert, Mitch Farnham, and Lisa Weaver.



Outstanding students (front) Chris Arthus and Jessica McKenzie, 4th grade; (back) Karrienne Wanek and David Bass, 5th grade; Karoline Black and Brandon Reynolds.



Smile of achievement Lee Walker accepts his Presidential Academic Fitness Awards from Mr. Darden during the evening awards ceremony held in the new high school auditorium.

Elementary Students Enjoy A Year Full Of Fun

The bell rang to start that first hectic day of school. Soon everything settled down and elementary students began to enjoy the activities which filled the school year.

Various projects made the year a special one for the younger students. Many fifth graders raised money for Jessica McClure, a little girl who fell into a well in Midland. Together these fifth graders raised almost ninety dollars for Jessica's cause. Lori Trammell said they asked for donations "so we could help her".

Holidays were a reason for many projects. Fourth graders made their own versions of Easter bonnets. For Halloween, second graders produced their own spider hats. Parents were invited to come eat Thanksgiving lunch with their children, and that treat was a huge success. Whether to help others or just for fun, these activities made special memories for each student involved.

Haunting hat Second graders like Kathryn McDaniel were transformed into spiders on Halloween.



Camo or lace? Fourth graders Jennifer Day, Brad Barbour, and Misty Tower model their unique Easter bonnet creations.

Involved and caring Fifth grade students (front) Brandy McClintock, Angela Dewees, Amy Akers, Terri Gunnels, Natalie Duke, Dena Dent, Tayla Nichols, (back) Karrienne Wanek, Holli Newton, Mandy Brown, Jennifer Hardin, Staci Dixon, and Lori Trammell collected donations for Jessica McClure.



CLOSING



It's hard to believe
another school year
is over, and for me,
my last one. But I'll
always have the memories
Billy Hughes

Take A Look Back

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The Final Perspective

A few photos. A trophy. A tassel hanging from the car mirror. A diploma hanging on the wall, and the 1988 Bobcat yearbook.

Memories are a powerful force. They can bring laughter, or tears, or sighs of remembrance. They can make good times with old friends seem even better, or make tough times easier to cope with. Each student will take some special memories with him into the future.

We'll laugh as we recall Chad Lee sleeping through several classes in his truck. We'll shake our heads when we remember Les Loden describing the day his car fell on him. We'll blink back tears at the thought of that last football victory against Cayuga. As we sort through old photographs, we'll marvel at the magic of prom night. Seniors, now ex-students, will take with them images of hide-and-seek contests at the Holts' house, bumper boats on the senior trip, and the emotions of graduation ceremonies.

Added to the fabric of each life, these memories will continue to sweeten even as the years dim them a bit. These experiences became a part of us this year, and they will continue to mold our perspectives on life and relationships in our individual futures.



Solitary contemplation (above) Les Loden sees the football practice field in a new light — from the sidelines — due to a knee injury that kept him out of the game for several weeks.



Limitless spirit (right) Seniors express their support for the Bobcats, and their pride in the school itself, during the last pep rally of the football season. In the foreground are Becky Drummond, Jenny Vaughn, Hjordis Gaard, and Daniel Holmes.



Speeding by (above) This elementary student looks at the world from a new direction, caught up in the motion of the playground's merry-go-round.



That special look (right) Mr. Reynold's expression explains his excitement as the last day of school brings an end to one set of responsibilities. In three months another cycle will begin.



Goals met (above) Jerri Davis embraces her father after receiving her diploma. The evening represents an important milestone for both of them.

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The staff of the 1988 Bobcat wishes to express its gratitude for the help it has received in creating this yearbook. Aid came from many sources, and adequate acknowledgement of all concerned would be almost impossible, but we would like to thank a few individuals for their expert assistance in this endeavor.

Our thanks must first go to the Taylor Publishing Company, the publishers of the book you hold in your hands. Nelda Orman, our representative from Taylor, spent numerous hours helping us develop our ideas for the yearbook. She graciously fielded trivial questions during desperate phone calls on the eve of a deadline. Her assistance was invaluable and we thank her for her time and support, without which the yearbook would never have reached its final form.

Much credit must be given to local photographer Mackey Coker as well, who acted not only as school photographer but as friend to the staff. Mr. Coker handled all the heated negotiations with tardy photography labs and also donated free film developing for most of our black and white photos. His advice and willingness to help made our task

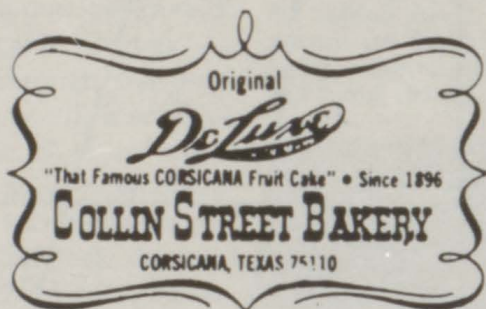
much easier.

This year's cover design was developed from a design by staff member Andrea Burnett and was drawn in its final form by Tyler Artist John Fender. Mr. Fender met with a committee of staff members before lending his abilities to the cover design. The final version is definitely exciting, and we hope that you appreciate it as much as we do.

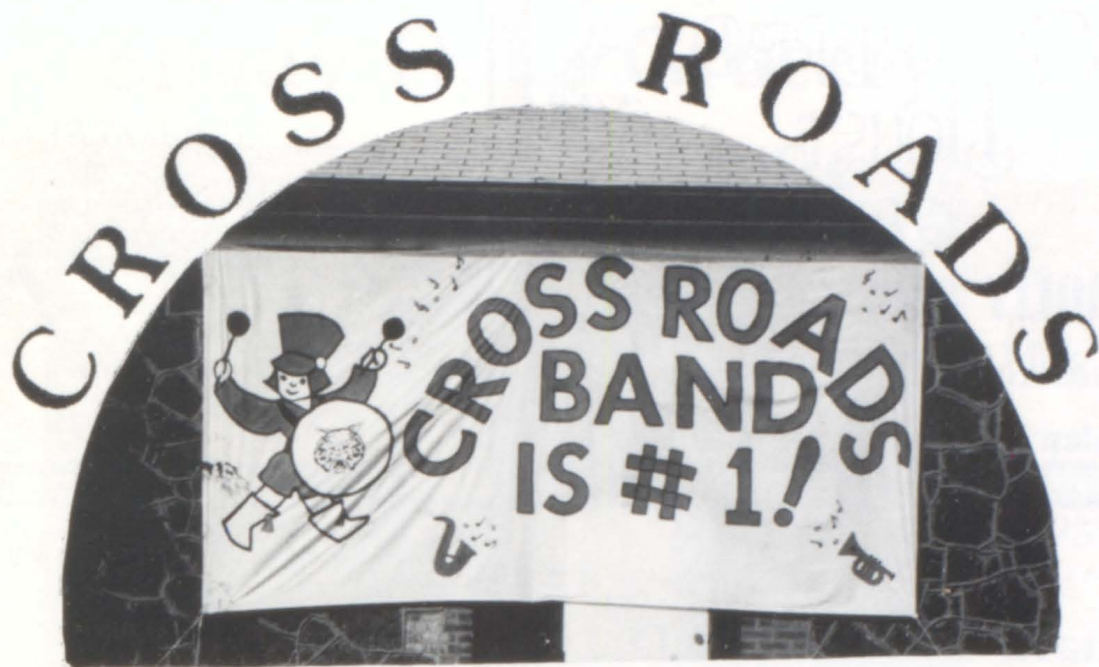
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We share the joy of a job well done with all these individuals. Thanks!

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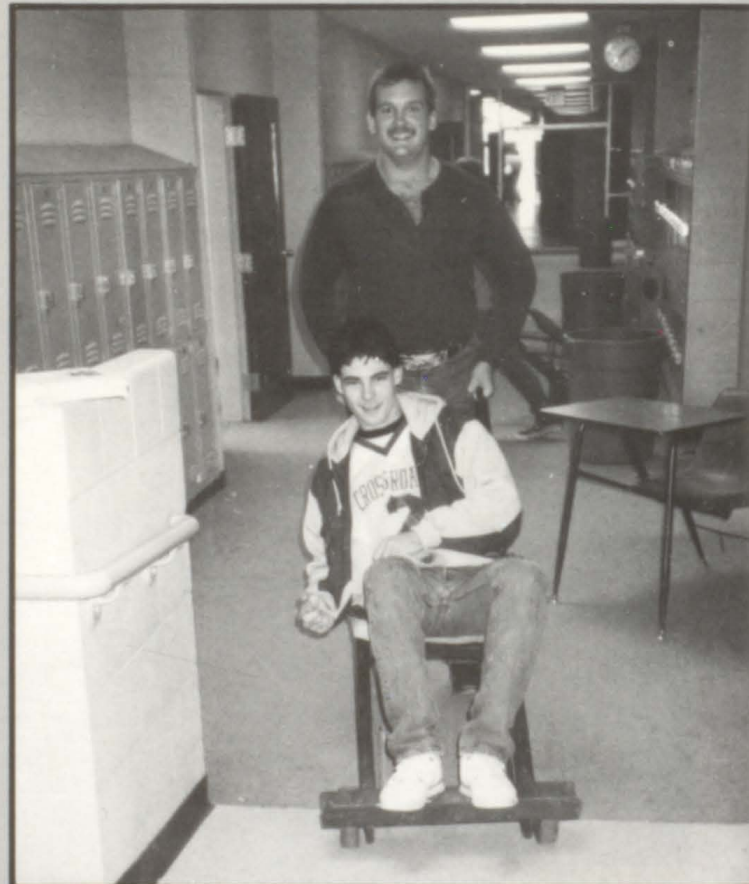
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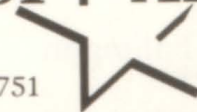
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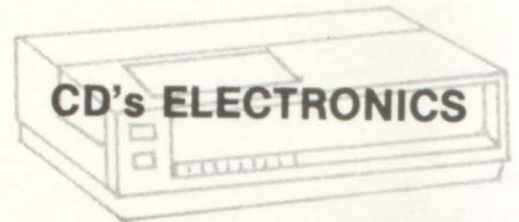
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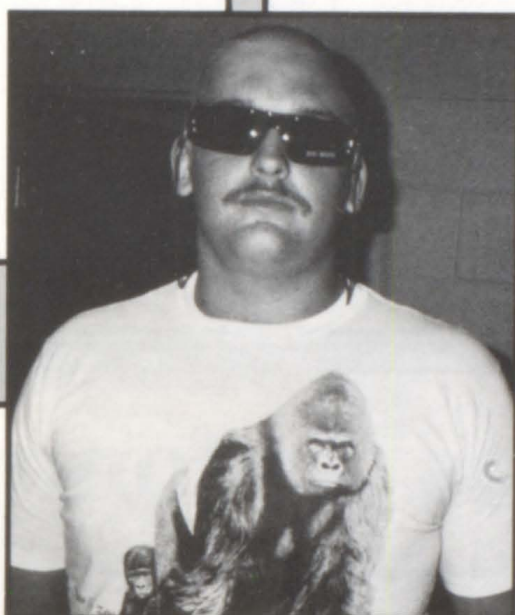
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Favorite Actor

1. Kirk Cameron
2. Eddie Murphy
3. Patrick Swayze

Favorite Song

1. I Had the Time of
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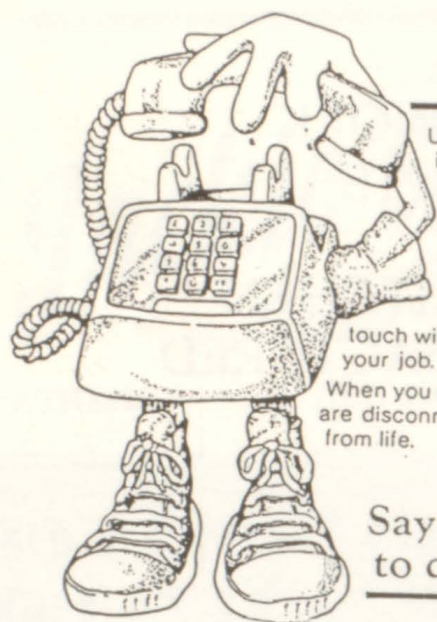
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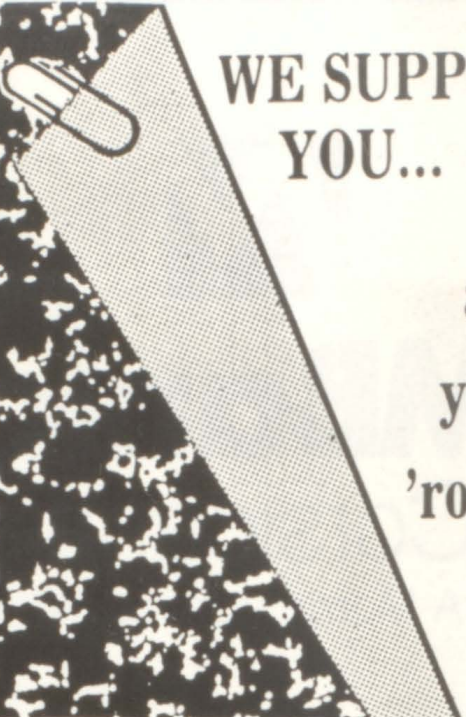
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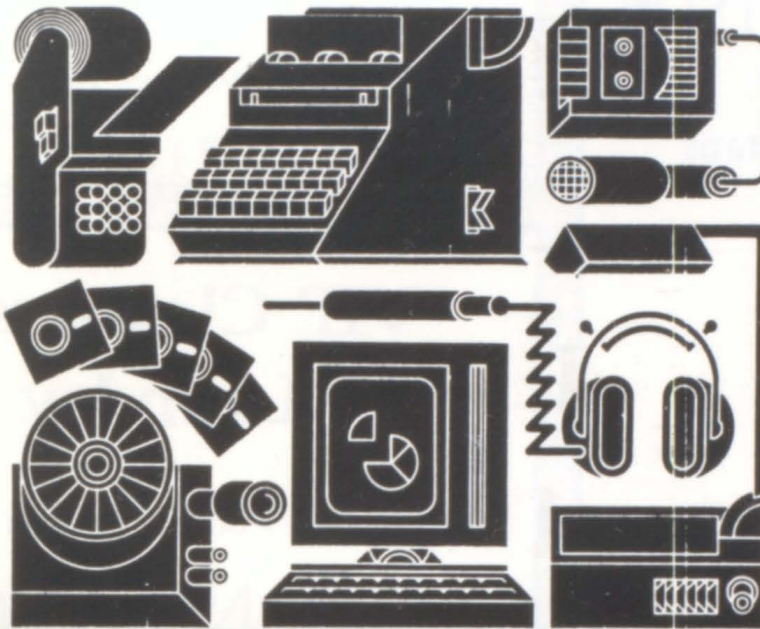
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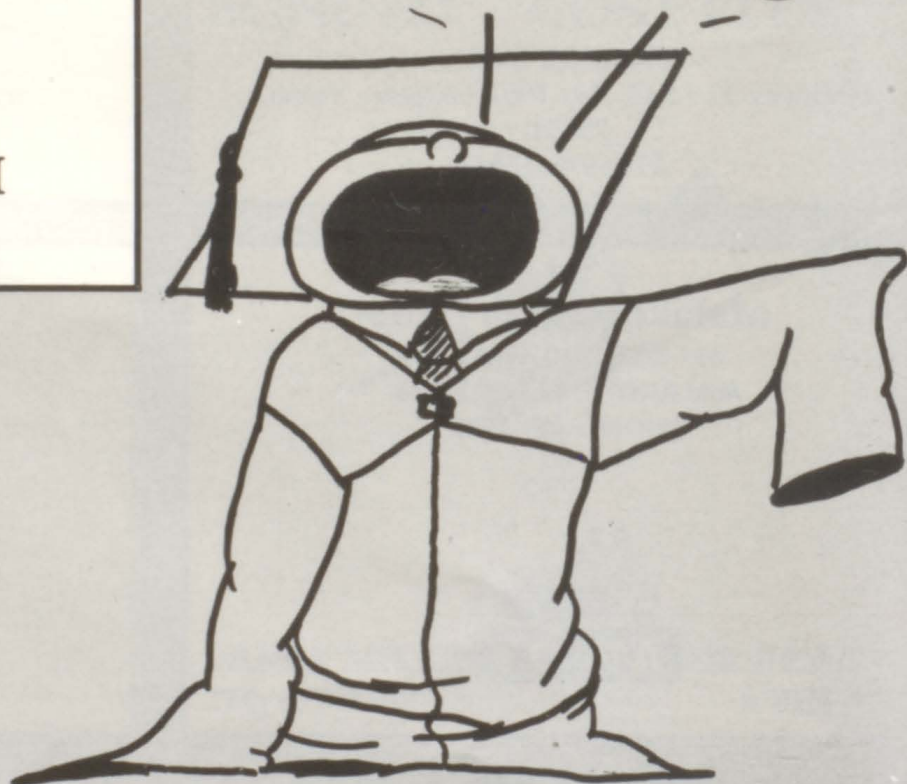
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