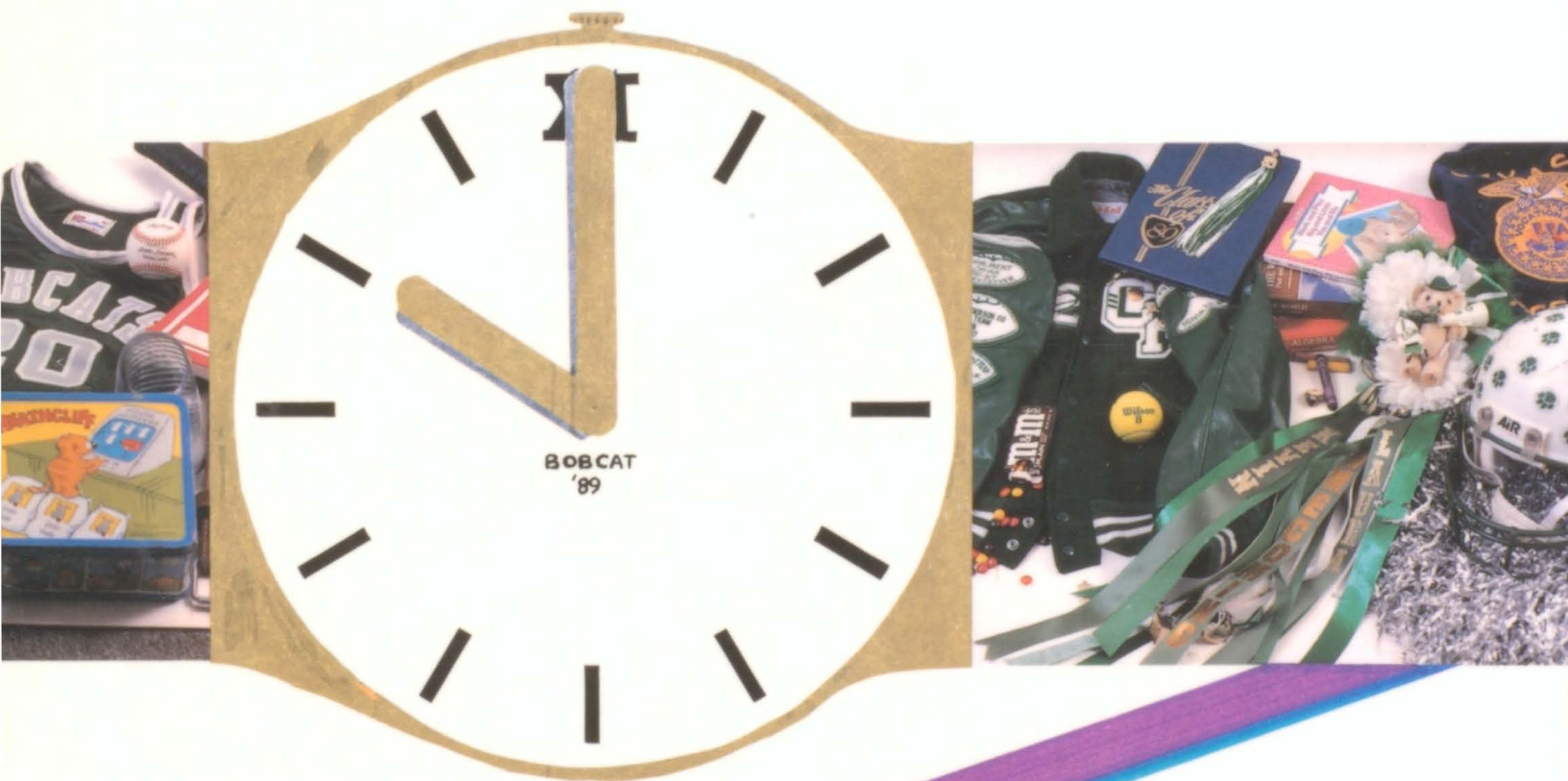
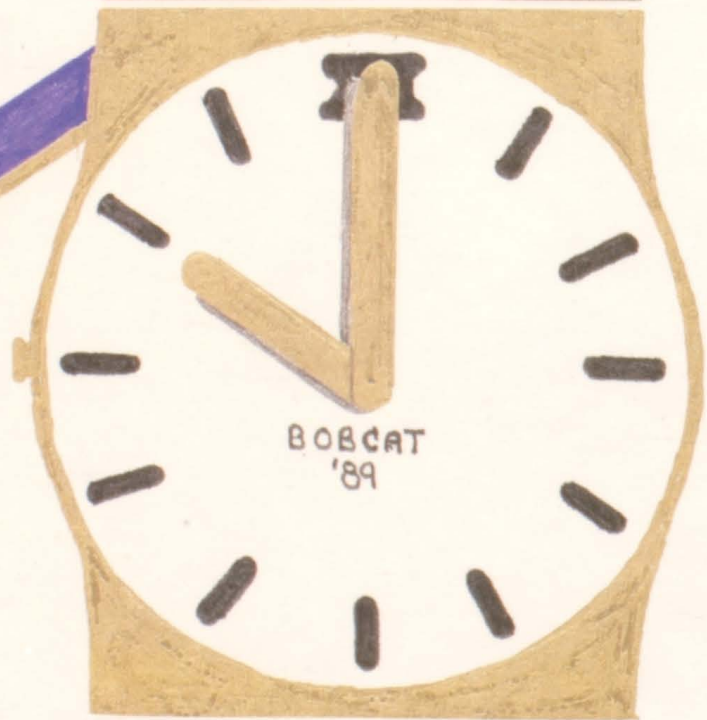


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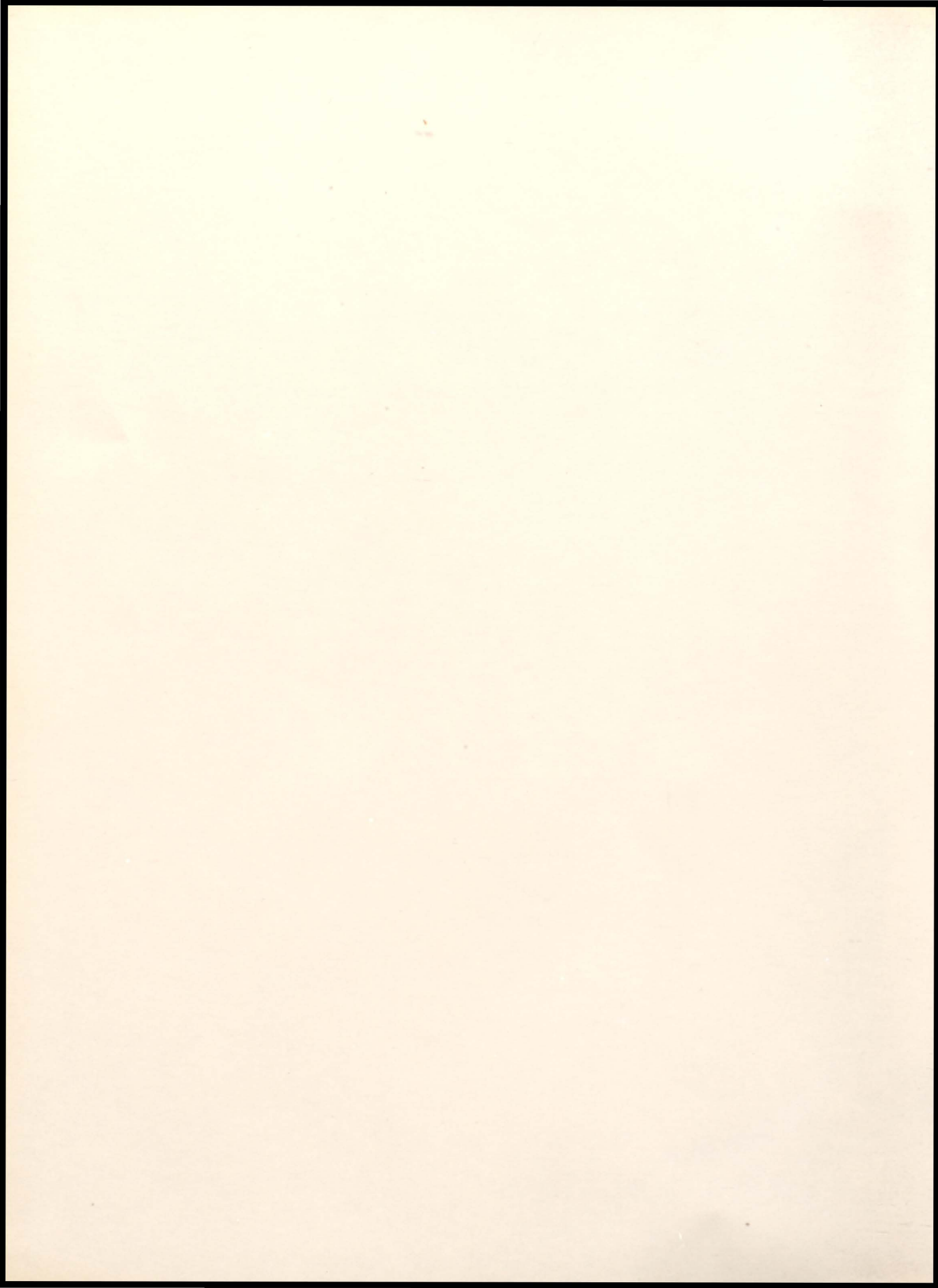
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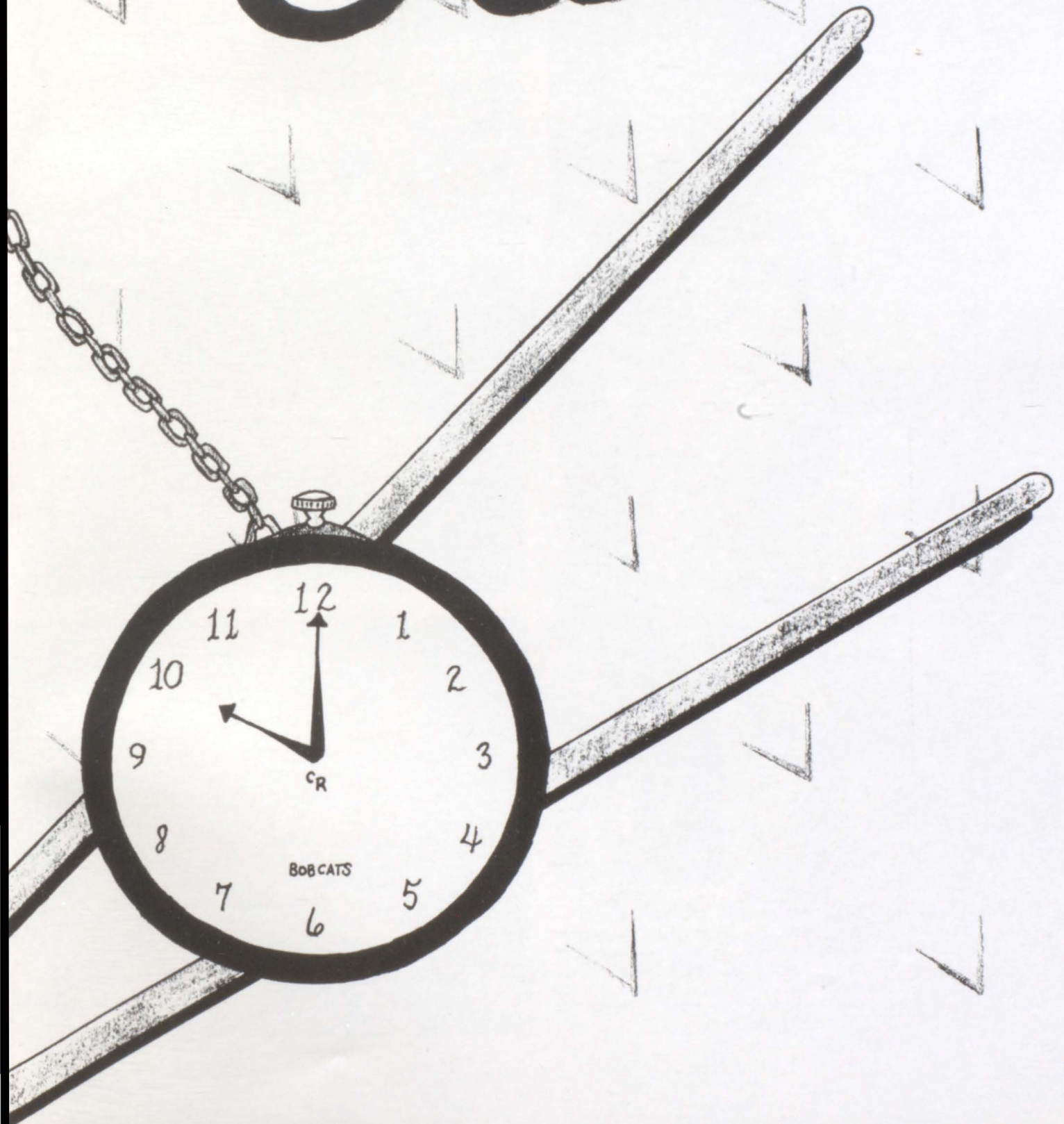
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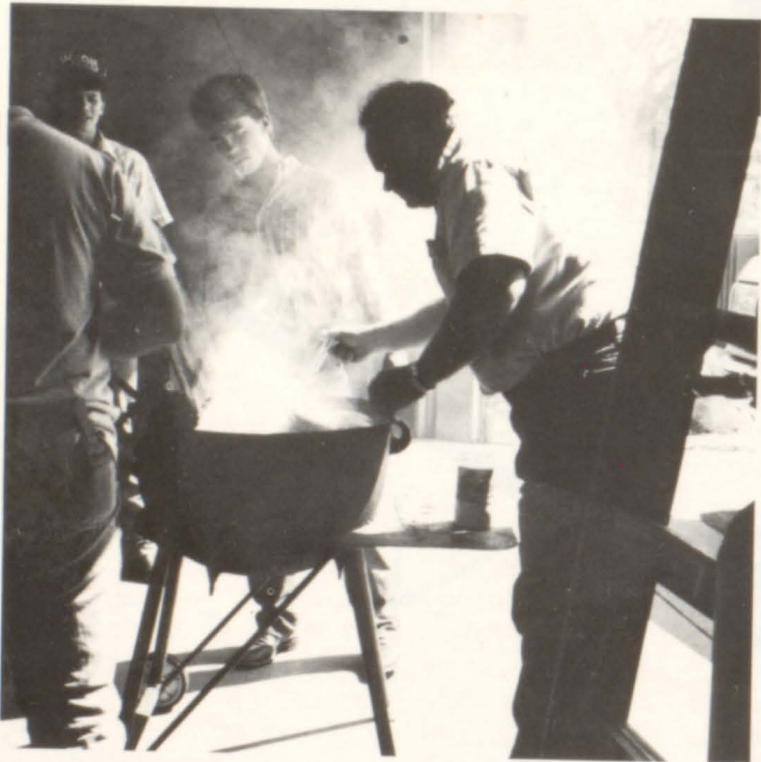
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The perfect friend (below) Angie Barnes and Kim Mattingly share some smiles as they enjoy one of the first Bobcat football games together.



Celebration time (right) Mark Adams and Henry Mershon put their spirit into action as they make a few high kicks in honor of the Bobcats.



The perfect lunch (above) Trent Parker helps Mr. Barnett put the finishing touches on a special meal for his Ag students. The lunch feasts were a welcome change from cafeteria fare.

Study time (right) Kenny Rogers and Shannon Bell concentrate on solving equations in PreAlgebra. Like it or not, classes were the reason students gathered at Cross Roads each morning.



School time again Terry Tracy seems excited about the prospect of beginning classes on the first day of school. Her mother is there for moral support, and to carry the essential school supplies.



10 Tidbits

- 7:1** Student / teacher ratio
- 187** Desks in the high school
- 1575** Books in the high school library
- 28** Students in the largest class (Pre-Algebra)
- \$2,020,946.96** School's operating budget
- 9** School busses
- 13** Pep rallies
- 3** Students in the smallest class (3rd Period Home Ec.)
- 59** High school athletes who play on more than one team
- 3850** Number of times the bells rang

Time And Again

Bobcats Make It A Perfect Ten

Time and again, Cross Roads has proven itself to be a perfect ten. Sports, academics, you name it — we have striven to be the best we can be.

During 1988-89, students expected to meet new friends, participate in sports events, learn new skills, and, for some, even graduate. The school year brought many treasured moments along the way. No one expected to see Mr. Barnett in a wig and

dress as an Alba-Golden cheerleader at the Homecoming pep rally.

Juniors and seniors were surprised to learn that the Prom would finally not conflict with UIL or track competitions. The escape of the Biology hamster Petey took everyone by surprise as well, as did his eventual recapture. Who would have guessed that the nine months of school would pass by so quickly?

New student Philip Dar-

win described Cross Roads as "a big happy family." Many students agreed that the friendships found here set the school apart from others. The pride, spirit, and accomplishments of the students as a whole made Cross Roads the perfect ten it has become.

In the words of sophomore Mark Adams, "There ain't no place like it!"

It's Time Again

School Starts Up One More Time

What is more frightening than Friday the 13th with Jason or Nightmare on Elm Street with Freddie? It's the first day away from your parents, and you are forced to ask that person at the front of the room if you may go to the bathroom. It's the first day of school for a kindergartener.

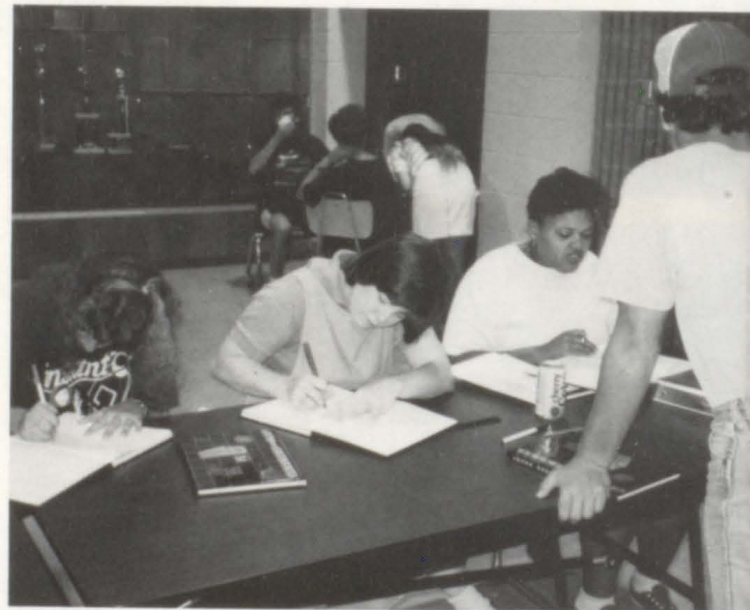
The first week of school gives students the opportunity to renew old friendships and make new friends as well. Kids also get the chance to become acquainted with their teachers for the year. Teachers and friends help the younger students adjust to life without their mothers and fathers.

For high school students, the first few days of school held few surprises. They checked their schedules, griped about bottom lockers, and compared classes

with their friends. Textbooks were distributed by well-meaning teachers, and assignments were not far behind. Mr. Lewis's speech concerning proper school behavior was a must. Present students greeted former students at the annual Yearbook Signing Party as the 1988 yearbooks were distributed to eager autograph hounds.

And what was all that yelling coming from the auditorium? It was the first pep rally, and if you listened carefully you could hear the fans cheering for the Bobcats. Football season was well underway, with the band doing its part to promote school spirit.

The first few days of school allowed an adjustment period for the new year. It remained a time to meet friends and teachers and to get involved in new activities.



Sign on the line Tracy Hull, Mrs. Holt, and Natalie Coleman add their autographs to the 1988 yearbooks at the yearbook signing party during the first week of school. Former students returned to pick up their yearbooks and revive memories with their friends.

Last chance Tracy Hull, Michael Aaron, Crystal Newton, and Jess Burrows look on as senior Chad Lee tries to convince Mr. Lewis that his schedule needs to be changed. Last-minute changes were plentiful as school got underway.



Parental support New kindergarten student Dustin Trammell arrives with his parents to register on the first day of school.



Nervous anticipation Kindergarteners Elizabeth Guevara and Thallia Johnston seem a bit anxious about the first day in a new environment, but maybe the tootsie roll pops will help break the ice.



Shout It!

Cheerleaders Voice Spirit

They visited every football game; they led every pep rally. They supported the band, the team, and the student body. Who were these Cross Roads groupies? The cheerleaders!

The junior high and high school cheerleaders supported their teams at many pep rallies. The high school group held an ongoing contest for the most spirited students. This competition sparked the spirit of many, as students passed out candy, posted signs, and baked cakes for the teams. The most spirited students were treated to a pizza party at the end of football season. The cheer-

leaders also constructed banners, sold ribbons, and cheered on the teams, but they did it to hear the crowd roar at each game.

After an initial disappointing pep rally, and the impromptu hall marching led by Mr. Simmons that followed it, students seemed to display more enthusiasm for the school teams. Michelle Sartain summed up her feelings: "Being a cheerleader has definitely been a learning experience for me. I wouldn't trade the memories for the world."

Tense moment (right) Kristi Weaver concentrates on the plays as the Bobcats fall behind in the Homecoming game against Alba-Golden.



Small fry spirit Even the youngest fans get into the act of supporting the Bobcats at the Homecoming pep rally.

Fired up The junior high Bobcats are ready for action as they get pumped up during a pregame pep rally.





Sponsor support (left) Mrs. Debra Walker receives a bouquet of balloons from her junior high cheerleading squad during the last pep rally.

Junior high cheerleaders (above) (front row) Jensy Reese, Carrie Arthus, Jennifer Pearce, (back row) Jennifer Mewbourn, Julie Hall, Lisa Weaver



Good luck David Hodges and Mark Adams help Latanya Barron put signs on the lockers of the football players.

High school cheerleaders Cindy Bridwell, Kristi Weaver, Jenny Scoggin, Jane Templin, Michelle Sartain, Leslie Dodd



Working Toward A Playoff Berth

Every Second Counts

As the clock nears kickoff time, the fans grow anxious. The victory line is on the field, ready to cheer on the team. At Cross Roads, football becomes a part of everyone and everything. It is what makes the beginning of the year fall together.

It is only after playing together for a time that team members become a unit. Together the varsity played, through triumph and adversity. There is a feeling in football that helps the team pull together. In a closeknit school like Cross Roads that friendship extends to the stands. The feeling that a team member gets when he knows the crowd is behind him is stupendous. According to Coach David Simmons, "the crowd gives the team the momentum

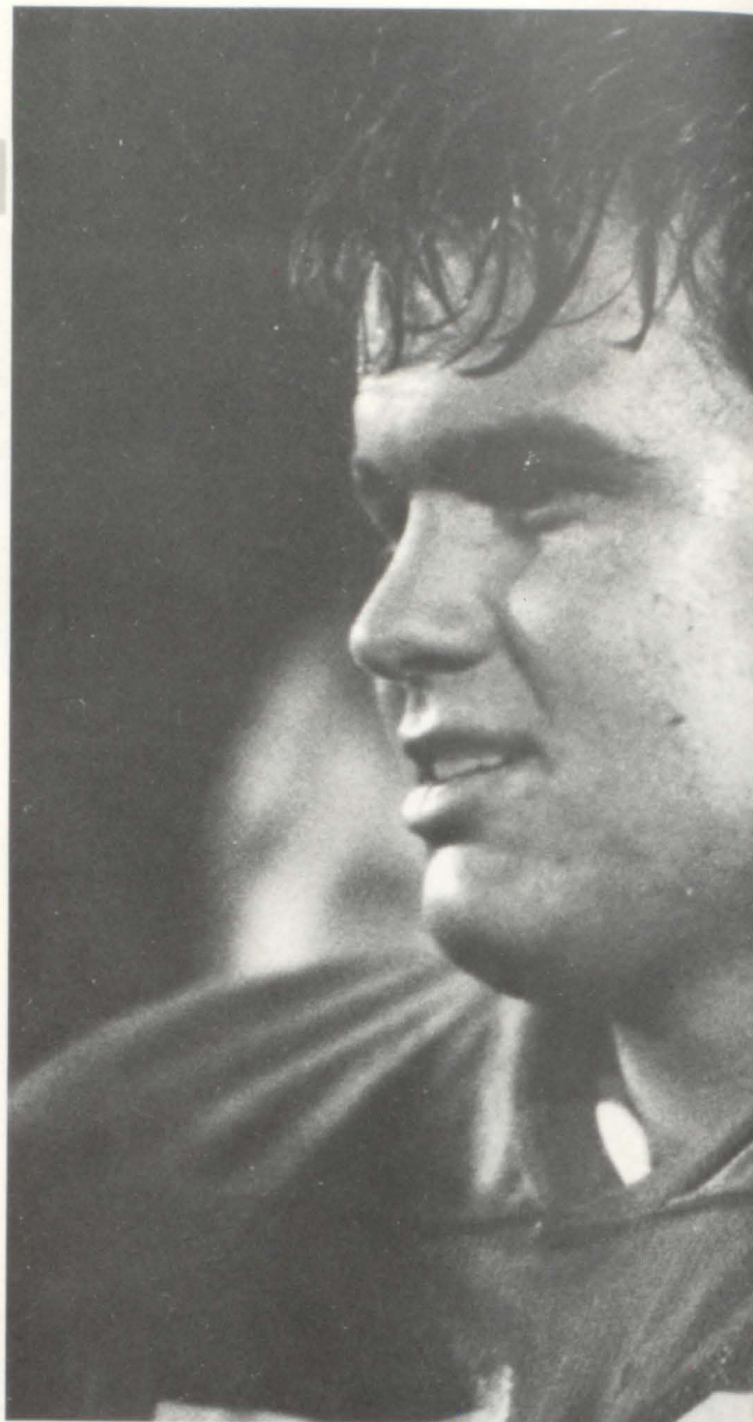
Sideline strategy (right) Head Coach Mark Sartain sends senior Donny Patterson into the game armed with the next of fensive play.

needed to win a game."

To form the bond, however, time is needed. And to have that time, team players have to give up extras. They surrender the last few weeks of summer for two-a-days, and they give up after school time and weekends through November. They all agree on one thing — the sacrifices are worth it to win.

Throughout the season, the team has pulled together. A winning season and a tie for district runner-up is an admirable record in anyone's book. Most importantly, the players achieved their success as a team.

Glow of victory (right) Senior Les Loden's face reflects the satisfaction of another win in district competition.





Prowling Pride Bobcat players and fans gather after the game to celebrate victory by singing the school song.

Varsity



Score	Opponent
14-48	Frost
20-13	Mildred
21-14	Buffalo
28-7	Lone Oak
6-19	Calvert
13-21	Alba-Golden
29-12	Cayuga
21-12	Edgewood
9-7	Eustace
6-42	Grand Saline

Season Record 6-4



Harnessing the energy (above) Coaches David Simmons and Dennis Tolbert react energetically to the action on the field.

"Trust in your ability to get the job done and hope the work will pay off."

-Senior Wes Black

"A team wins when everyone respects what each other does."

-Freshman Craig Arthus

"Football provides strength and mental preparation."

-Sophomore Canyon Lindley

Giving it all (above) Junior tight end Chris Coker is helped off the field by the assistant coaches after a collision in the Alba-Golden contest that left him with a concussion.

In victory or defeat (left) The run-in sign for the Eustace game reflects the enthusiasm and the backing of Bobcat fans.



Tomorrow's Here

Junior High Plays For Keeps

"It pushes me." Any junior high football player would use these three words to describe their sport. What does it push them towards? Bigger and better things!

This year's 7th and 8th grade teams seem to be out on the field just to play football. They are participating because they enjoy the game and the feeling that the fans are behind them. During that first game, many 7th graders felt nervous and anxious, but along with those emotions was a confidence that is always part of a Bobcat team. Eighth graders had the experience of one year of football, and they were proud and "ready for that buildup and the rush" that comes with any game, according to player Matt Reimer.

Even in junior high football is an involved sport. When a team member is out on the field, mental concentration is a must. Seventh grader Donnie McKinnemey said that football "takes my mind away from other things."

Both 8th and 7th grade teams improved steadily as the season progressed. By the end of the season, the 8th grade team had become one of the top teams in the district. Coaches agreed that the 7th graders had overcome youth and inexperience to become highly competitive.

Mental preparation Coaches Dennis Tolbert and Greg Powell get their Junior high Bobcats pumped up for another contest.



7th Grade Bobcats (front) D. Crutchfield, B. Hehmann, G. Sellers, M. Farmer, J. Wallace, S. McCullough, D. McKinnemey, T. Norman, D. Boyde (back) Coach Tolbert, J. Rainwater, J. Emmert, K. Burns, K. Spence, S. Richardson, B. Willingham, M. Ely, B. Lee, L. Walker, C. Clark, Coach Powell



8th Grade Bobcats (front) D. Gabel, L. King, M. Reimer, C. Barron, C. Morton, M. Aaron, J. Hart, J. Nash, C. Silvey (back) Coach Tolbert, G. Holder, J. Holleman, S. Morgan, J. Logan, R. Goodman, C. Busby, K. Washington, Coach Powell



JV Bobcats (above) (front) R. Smith, G. Sellars, M. Holland, D. Marshall, G. Dixon, T. Holder, C. Arthus, T. Alexander (back) Coach Powell, Coach Sartain, M. McCullough, B. Carter, J. Mershon, J. Clark, K. Rogers, C. Lindley, Coach Tolbert, Coach Simmons

County honors (left) Chuck Brown was All-County MVP, Trent Parker made All-District Newcomer, and Wes Black made the All-East Texas team.

Varsity Bobcats (top) (front) S. Richardson, H. Mershon, D. Hodges, T. Parker, M. Adams, C. Quinn, J. Avant, R. Ratley, G. Avant, J. Hammond (middle) M. Kuhn, D. Patterson, J. Logan, J. Holland, S. Bell, K. Butler, W. Boyde, C. Richardson (back) Coach Powell, Coach Tolbert, C. Crist, E. Hinds, C. Coker, L. Loden, J. Gunnels, C. Brown, W. Black, Coach Sartain, Coach Simmons



All-District, All-County (front) S. Bell, L. Loden, M. Kuhn, E. Hinds (middle) C. Brown, W. Black, K. Butler, J. Holland (back) T. Parker, C. Coker, R. Ratley



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Football

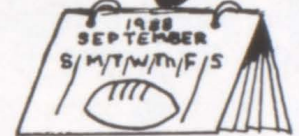
Junior Varsity



Score	Opponent
0-40	Canton
34-0	Eustace
8-0	Buffalo
20-0	Lone Oak
6-32	Grand Saline
28-0	Alba-Golden
6-14	Cayuga
12-46	Edgewood
0-20	Eustace

Season Record 4-5

Junior High



8th Grade

Score	Opponent
8-42	Buffalo
12-6	Lone Oak
6-34	Grand Saline
16-14	Alba-Golden
12-22	Cayuga
6-0	Edgewood
6-28	Eustace
6-38	Grand Saline

Season Record 3-5

7th Grade

Score	Opponent
6-14	Grand Saline
6-30	Cayuga
0-20	Edgewood
6-32	Grand Saline

Season Record 0-4

Catch The Fire!

Homecoming Sparks The Spirit

Who is that heavy-chested, hairy-legged girl in the mini-skirt kissing Michael Kuhn? Why, that's no girl — that's Mr. Holt! He and many others helped to make Homecoming 88 one of the best ever.

The week started off with a Mr. Legs contest sponsored by Student Council, which was won by senior Chuck Brown. Next came a door decoration contest between 4th period classes. Each classroom competed for the most original theme of spirit against the Alba-Golden Panthers. Mrs. Stone, Coach Simmons, and Mr. Barnett led their classes to victory in this event. Mums were also sold by the seniors.

Thursday was the night of the second annual candlelight pep rally. Players were introduced, the band played, and the spectators cheered. It really got each person there into the Homecoming spirit.

Friday arrived before we knew it, and so did the Homecoming pep rally. We were in for a surprise as eight of our "distinguished" faculty pranced about on stage dressed as the Alba-Golden cheerleaders.

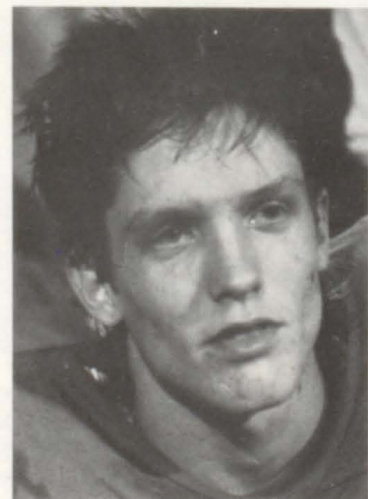
Hours passed and it was finally 7:30. Attendance at the game was so high that the band had to be seated on the track. During halftime, the band executed a high-stepping, toe-tapping

performance. Next, the nervous homecoming queen nominees filed out onto the field. Their mums jingled and fluttered in the breeze. The suspense was lifted when sophomore Leslie Dodd was crowned as Cross Roads' first official Homecoming Queen.

The game came to a disappointing end with a score of 12 to 21 in Alba-Golden's favor, but few spirits were dampened here. It was off to the Homecoming Dance presented by the seniors. The PA system had a mind of its own, turning itself off after every third song. Yet Homecoming 88 proved to be full of spirit, fun, and lots of surprises.

Mum's the word Seniors Michelle Sartain and Trista Brashear deliver mums on Homecoming Friday. Mums were sold to raise funds for the senior trip.

Reflecting on the game Senior quarterback Wes Black rethinks the plays following the 12-20 loss to Alba-Golden.





Impressive form Mrs. Stone struts her stuff as an Alba-Golden cheerleader during the pep rally Friday afternoon. The teachers' performance brought howls of approval from the assembled student body.

Homecoming beauties Freshman nominee Danda Brown, junior Angie Barnes, senior Lorie Buchinger, and sophomore Homecoming Queen Leslie Dodd show their smiles during halftime presentations.



"We're number one!" (left) Football players unite in the pregame pep rally to boost Bobcat spirit.

Prowling pride (above) The spirit sign produced by the cheerleaders showed off our true colors and our pride in the Bobcats.



Everyday Events Make These The Good Times

"Mrs. Cockrell, will you come and help me on this homework, please?"

This was a common event that happened normally during the school year, a student asking for assistance from a teacher. It was these small occurrences that made the year what it was — a unique time of crazy fun, hard work, and cherished memories. Sometimes we didn't realize what we were doing, saying or creating because we were so wrapped up in the activities at hand.

Just sit back and remember when ...

... Petey the hamster escaped from his cage and was found living under the lab's chemical cabinet. He was discovered there when he made a mad dash over Andrea Burnett's foot.

... Mr. Simmons led his Spanish I class in an impromptu pep rally throughout the high school halls.

... Mark Henry had a wreck with Mrs. Silvey on the way to school.

... Michelle Sartain tried to poison Cindy Bridwell by making her drink cedar oil at the Honors fajita fest at the Holts'

At war Justin Gunnels and Andy Kinabrew work on Battle-ship strategy during Activity Period.

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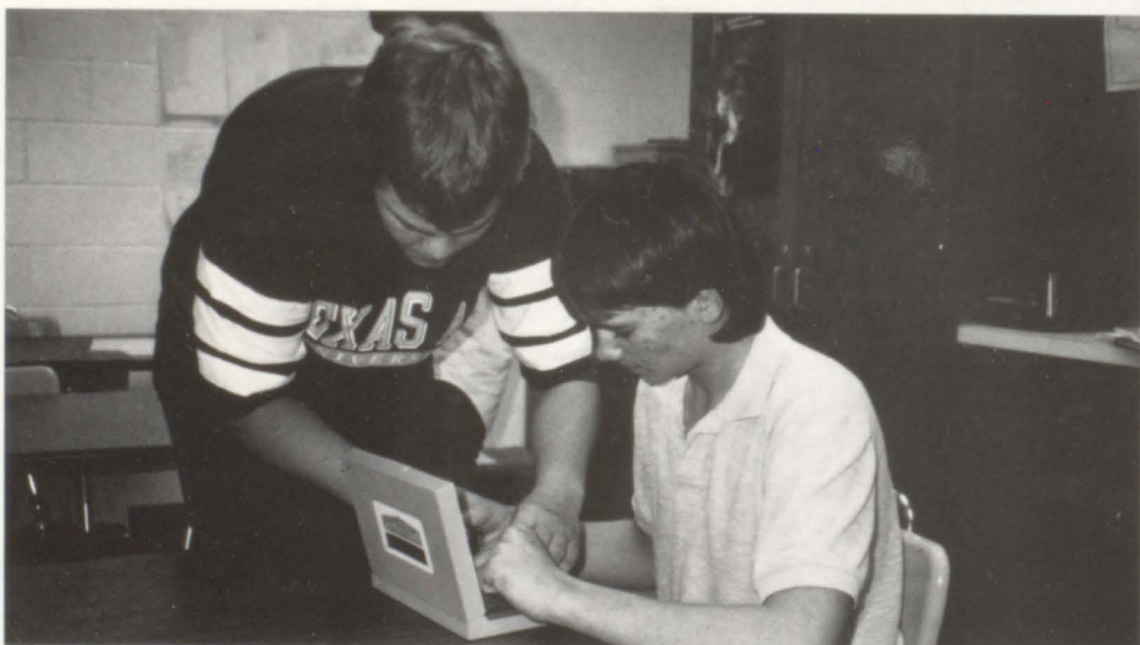
... Jeremy made the front page of a Metroplex paper during his calf-wrestling attempts at the Fort Worth Livestock Show.

... The lights went out for twenty minutes during the crucial football contest against Eustace.

... Mrs. Cockrell blew up the overhead projector cart ... Brandy McClintock broke her arm during the rollerskating party for perfect attendance.

... Donny Patterson threw his senior ring out of the car window while throwing out trash.

Babes in arms Dewayne Doser and Lorie Buchinger show off their "newborns", raw eggs which were treated with TLC as a Home and Family Living project.



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Frenzied feeding (left) Wes Black and John Holland feast on fajitas as Mr. and Mrs. Holt host a party for the students in their honors classes.

In the air (below) Misty Radican and Crystal Campbell relax to watch an electricity demonstration brought by New Era. Assemblies were popular diversions for students of all ages.



And one to grow on Senior Lisa Alexander has some growing to do if she is to fit into her Letter jacket. A size mixup resulted in the freakish sleeve length.

Time Marches On

Years Change The Look Of Cross Roads

From a hickory tree used for a deer stand to a brand new high school completed in 1988, Cross Roads started out in 1908 and kept on growing. When Cross Roads consolidated in 1925, it grew even larger. Four rooms expanded to eight and a gym was added in 1935. Then on May 17, 1953, the main school building burned to the ground. Elementary and junior high buildings were rebuilt and classes started as usual for them in the fall. The high school students, howev-

er, were forced to transfer to Athens, Malakoff, or Cayuga. In 1978, the groundbreaking for a new high school began. By 1980, all construction was completed and the first graduating class since 1953 held commencement exercises.

By 1986, however, the

halls became so crowded that a new high school unit was considered. By January of 1988, Cross Roads had gained the most up-to-date of high school facilities.

Through all the

Changing times Students in the '30's rode the squarish busses to this Cross Roads High School.



Sign of the times (left) Bobcat fans show their pride by displaying the school mascot prominently.

Pucker up (right) Mr. Lewis gets to kiss the pig following class competitions. Mr. Barnett, Kenneth Butler, and Steve Allen appreciate his technique.



eighty-something

1979-80:

- 1st graduating class of the '80's
- 1st graduating class since 1953
- 1st year in the new high school

1988-89

- 1st full year in the new high school
- 1st prom held on campus
- 1st CRHS National Merit Scholar enters college

Flashback

Ex-Students Make Their Mark

Cross Roads graduates left their mark on the local community, and they have put the school on the map statewide as well. Danny Hughes, of the Class of 1984, finished up his college basketball career with two years as a starter for TCU. His three-point percentage and extended playing time earned him widespread recognition. A graduate

of CRHS in 1983, Sheila Giles highlighted her singing career as a warm-up act for Merle Haggard. A class favorite in 1980, Sheila continues to win favor with the crowds. Other graduates are working their way towards college degrees and successful careers.

On the grow (left) Cranes become an everyday sight as the student body outgrows the facilities.

Prowling pride (below) Spirit signs drawn by the cheerleaders express school pride.



Magic in the air (below) Elementary students join in the fun of a magic show, where they are urged to participate.



Rides from the past (below) The classic automobile of the past would be a relic, or a prized antique, today.



Today's ride (below) Chris Coker's Conquest presents an impressive line for speedy motion, when it's not in the repair shop.

Count Us In!

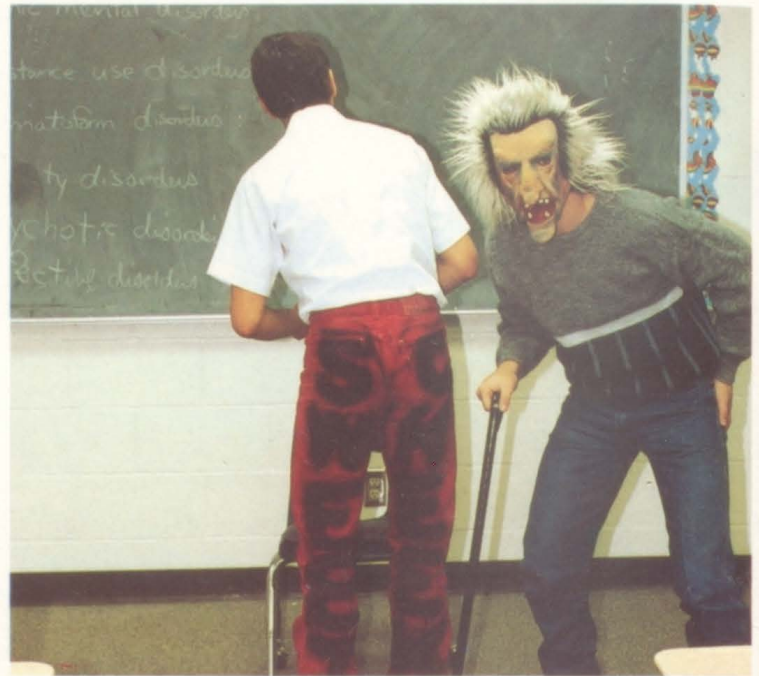
Student Body Enrollment 1980

Elementary	205
Junior High and High School	126
Total Enrollment	331

1989

Elementary	238
Junior High	132
High School	154
Total Enrollment	494

The real story Chris Kirkpatrick and Karl Butler present their pitch to capture the attention of voters for strange offices in Mrs. Cockrell's English class.



Class of 1989 Front: Chris Kirkpatrick, John Holland, Andrea Burnett, Wes Black, Chuck Brown. Middle: Kim Busby, Karen Holder, Shayne Surls, Kristi Wood, Pam Dossier, Lori Morgan, Lora Mitchell, Becky Myers, Danielle Jones. Back: Donny Patterson, Samuel Austin, Siovhon Upchurch, Mike Kuhn, Michelle Sartain, Les Loden, Cindy Bridwell, Lori Buchinger, Kim Mattingly, Jeanette Abbott, Trista Brashear, Karl Butler, Wesley Boyde, Jennifer Metcalf, Howard Neill, Natalie Coleman, Chad Lee.

That Senior Outlook

"We've gained and lost a lot of friends and we've learned to accept people for who they are, not for what they've done. We've also learned that true friends are friends forever."

Karen Holder

What will I remember about high school?

"All the fun and caring we shared with one another."

Samuel Austin



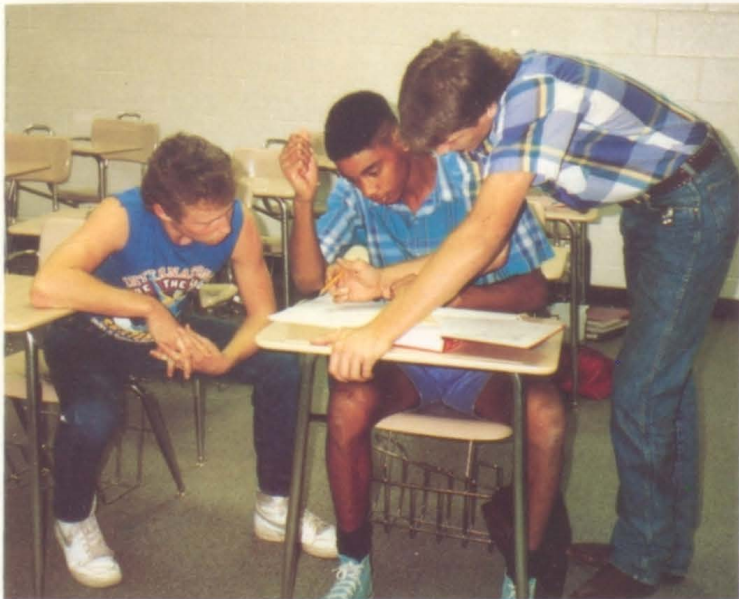
The '80's: A Decade of Change

From Around the World

- Assassination attempts made on President Ronald Reagan and Pope John Paul II
- Walter Mondale selects Geraldine Ferraro as his running mate in 1984 presidential race
- Shuttle Challenger explosion rocks American scientific community
- Iran-Contra affair brings government leaders and agencies under scrutiny
- Glasnost begins the USSR as Mikhail Gorbachev takes the reins of power
- Worldwide terrorism becomes concern of all nations

From Points Unknown

- People pay \$4600 to have their remains sent into orbit
- Researchers discover that disco music causes deafness in pigs
- Live alligators found in the New York City sewer system
- Richmond High School offers \$100 to students who come to school every day
- A book checked out of the library in 1823 was returned in 1986
- A West German policeman is attacked by a suspect's pet rat



Helping hand Ray Davis and Chip Crist explain the intricacies of Algebra I to Gerald Marshall.

Seniors of the '80's

1980

Motto: Today we are making tomorrow's memories.

Song: "Looks Like We Made It" by Barry Manilow

Colors: royal blue and white

Flower: spring bouquet

1989

Motto: Our days together may have ended, but in our hearts they will remain forever.

Song: "One Moment In Time" by Whitney Houston

Colors: emerald green, red, and silver

Flower: red rose

Seniors Reflect on a Time of Change

"We used to be your average class . . . but now we're grown up. Most importantly we've grown together."

Larry Chandler

"I'll always remember that one of the girls from the class of 1980 came and helped me learn how to spell in the third grade."

Jennifer Metcalf

On progress at Cross Roads

"We went from a 6-classroom high school to a color-coded building complete with laser and alarm system."

Andrea Burnett

"I hope the students of the future take as good care of Cross Roads as we have in the past."

Larry Chandler

Fast Forward to 2000

The Clock's Running for the Class of 2000

The graduating class of 2000 has much to look forward to during the next decade. This year's first graders will encounter computers, great advances in science and space exploration, and other terrific opportunities in the future.

This is the computer age, when computers are used in almost every aspect of life. In the future, many students think computer use will increase astronomically. The class of 2000 will learn many new applications for computer technology. Homes may be equipped with computerized systems to regulate everything from the temperature of the refrigerator to the feeding of the household pets. Some school instruction might be received at home via

satellite or through cable television channels. Many employees may use home computers and telephone lines to do their work and transmit the completed product to the office without ever leaving their home.

Future scientist Ashley Norman and aspiring astronaut Jarrod Wilson may help advance the knowledge of science after their high school graduation in 2000. Being in high school could be a lifetime experience for Deleana Jo Walker, whose goal in life is to become a Cross Roads High School cheerleader. Mrs. Barbara Gunnels plans to retire to a life of fishing by the time her first grade students grad-

Catching the big one Mrs. Gunnels should enjoy her leisure hours after retirement on local lakes.

uate from high school. Jennifer Harmon intends to be a congenial seniors before she leaves high school, dressed to the hilt each day in blue. Matt Randolph will definitely be a Cross Roads power-lifter, since he plans to become a professional wrestler in his life after Cross Roads.

Not everything will

change by the year 2000. Ramon Olvera envisions a Cross Roads of the time virtually unchanged, still existing as a playground and a few school buildings where the roads meet. Will the turn of the century be as bright as these first graders believe? Only time will tell.



Watch that smile! Deleana Walker pictures herself as a cheerleader in her dreams for the future.

The Lab Look Ashley Norman can't wait to grow into her visions of a scientific career for the year 2000 and beyond.





New beginnings James Pryor, Hazel Crist, and Margaret Pryor break ground for the new high school in 1978.

On the occasion of a presentation in his honor during Secondary School Principal's Week, Mr. Lewis expressed his reason for working in education:

"We're here for you. We're here because we love every one of you. You know my office is open 24 hours a day if that's what it takes."

From the air An aerial view of the campus shows the newly built Ag and Homemaking structures.



Still Here?

Teachers Survive The Years

They have been here for quite awhile but are still going strong, maybe stronger than ever.

Mrs. McKinnemey has been teaching at Cross Roads for 14 years. She survived by "continuing to try to do my job as a teacher." A teacher here since 1979, Mrs. Stone attributes her survival to a loving family and keeping "a good sense of humor."

Dramatic changes have occurred in the past decade. House Bill 72 affected each level of education with new respon-

sibilities and paperwork. Faculty members generally agree that the changes have meant forward progress. More emphasis on academic performance meant that athletes and other extracurricular participants showed up for tutoring and paid close attention to their grades.

Cross Roads, its faculty, and the student body have survived a myriad of changes during the decade of the '80's. Progress has been the key word to describe the process of change.



Solid as a rock Brick and stone combine to give the original Homemaking building its earthy appearance.

Past and Present

Cross Roads School we will salute you,
And to you will faithful be.
Cross Roads Bobcats we will boost you
To fame and victory,
And when our school days all are over
And we have drifted far apart, we will
Always remember the little school of our heart.

We play for the love of the game. We respect those in authority, the officials, and obey their decisions. We challenge our opponent with our best, striving always to be fair. We remain humble in our victory, courageous in our defeat and never give up. We are constantly aware that we represent our families, community and our school.

Changing Times

Fashions New And Old Hit Scene

Hip! Hop! Fashion!
Pop!

Fashions, traveling a long way from their originators, made their way to our small town recently.

School pride was the phrase that kept the spirit of the Bobcats alive. This attitude was reflected in the popularity of Bobcat Republic shirts. Supporting the basketball team and making a fashion statement at the same time, students strutted in their We Be Jammin' t-shirts. New fashions roamed the halls, but the familiar letterman's jacket and class rings were big hits as well.

The newest among fashion trends was the introduction of spandex biking shorts. Worn underneath the shorter skirts and shorts, they provided a lean line of color. Black spandex tights, the most fashionable, took the lead among the hottest things

to wear. Bright jams and layered clothes were also part of the new trends. "Everyone dresses their own way," noticed newcomer Becky Myers. The western look hung on, as ropers, blue jeans, and denim dresses remained on the scene.

Hot fashions? Hip shoes! Penny loafers were more than in the running for fashionable shoes. Sloshing right behind them in popularity were boating shoes. The ever-popular Keds still had a strong hold. Senior Samuel Austin believed that "fashions are basically what they used to be."

The '80's brought fashion to a new height. Individualism and style formed the new fashion statements at Cross Roads.

Cool and comfortable Fifth grader Tammy Wood enjoys her free time dressed in shorts, T-shirt, and tennis shoes. This outfit becomes almost a uniform during the warm months.

Traditional pride Chris Coker displays his athletic accomplishments with his patch-studded letter jacket. The traditional look pervades the fashion and school colors making a comeback.



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Colorful comfort Freshman Julie Pearce sports popular black spandex tights and the brightly colored shorts that became a must this year. A change in the dress code allowed high school students to wear shorts for the first time.

Status quo Brandon Steed and Michelle Sartain make the point that fashion hasn't changed too much. Dresses, jeans, and tennis shoes still make the scene.



Laid back (far left) Eighth grader Amy Davis relaxes in yellow ropers and western attire while studying for a makeup test.

Different styles (left) Wendy Kinabrew sports the western look, while Heather Martin coordinates her denim walking shorts with matching T-shirt and socks.



Time's Up!

Tests Keep Students On Their Toes

Test is a four-letter word. Everyone dreads it. No one wants it. The problem: it has to be done. Testing is just a fact of student life.

The tests come at you from every side — ACT, SAT, TEAMS, IOWA, exit exams, achievement tests, conitive tests, not to mention chapter tests, six weeks tests, finals, and even driver's license tests. How do you cope?

Class tests are taken in everything from ag to world geography. They turn up often and always at the end of the six weeks. Depending on the teacher, the exams can take the form of essays,

short answers, matching, true/false, or any combination. The students taking the concurrent college classes are particularly fond of those tests, since each of the multiple choices seems correct.

Achievement tests allow students the freedom of choice — multiple choice, that is. Other standardized tests for college entrance, and high school exit, are given in this form also. Samuel Austin's advice on taking the ACT college entrance exam was, "If you have no idea what answer to put on a question, put B or C." This

multiple guess method may not always produce acceptable results. When all else fails, preparation or study may help.

Tests are designed to evaluate student retention of material covered in class. Students would often rather learn the information temporarily for a unit test than be reminded of it later on the six weeks test. Since testing has become a way of life for most students, however, they must find a more efficient method of remembering the material. Perhaps studying is an option.



I before e Allen Metcalf, Natalie Duke, and their sixth grade classmates check the rules while taking Mrs. Kuhn's spelling test.

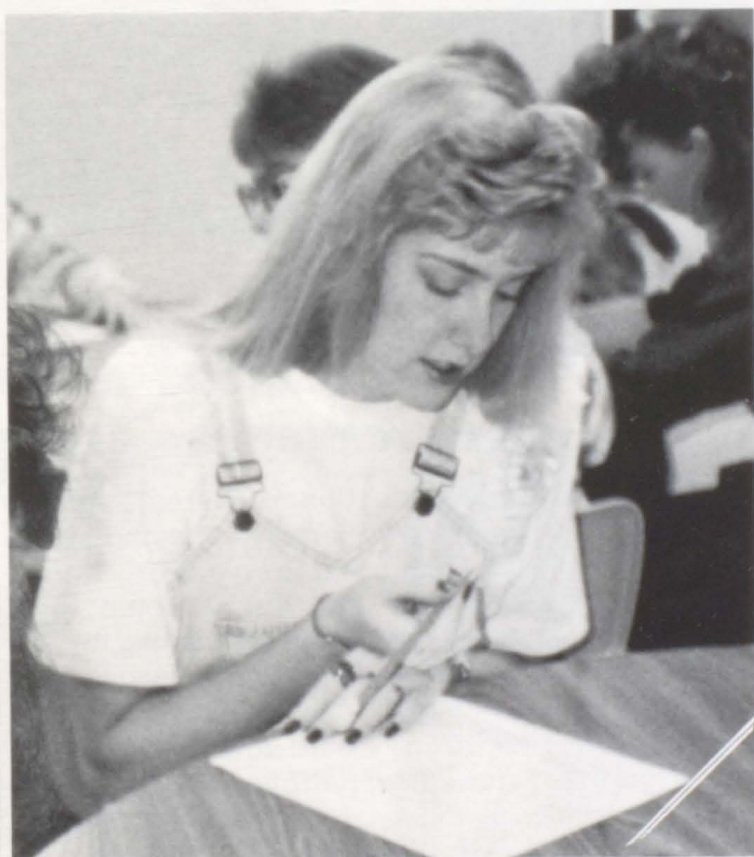
Financially speaking Seniors Kristi Wood and Pam Doser attempt to explain their understanding of economics to Mr. Vaughn.





Gerund what? April Killman, Lisa Alexander, Jenny Scoggin, and Lorie Buchinger work on an exam in senior level English. Seniors are especially subject to a multitude of tests during their final high school year.

Formula frenzy The brain strain shows as Tina Morrison applies herself to a geometry makeup test.



Testing the test Senior Trista Brashear becomes a guinea pig for testing as she takes a trial GED exam to determine the fairness of the test.

Concentrated effort Mr. Reynolds' seventh grade math students are bent over their test papers with the determination to conquer integers.

Resting scholars Michelle Sartain and Sandy Hart collapse on the way to state Beta Club convention.



On the road again (right) Beta Club sponsor Mrs. Cockrell shows off her sporty look at the helm of the school van on the way to state convention.

Beta Club (far right) (front row) Stephanie Upchurch, President Andrea Burnett, Siobhan Upchurch, Fawn Killman, Rep. Samuel Austin, VP John Holland, (back row) Matt Holland, Kori Lippert, Sandy Hart, Jessica Fomey, Tina Moss, Michelle Sartain, Lorie Buchinger, Jennifer Metcalf, Angel Bridwell, Craig Arthus, Grant Dixon, sponsor Mrs. Sherri Cockrell



Pushing 100

Beta Club Members Fight The Law Of Averages

"Convention!" was a chant often shouted by Beta Club members. Excursions of this caliber were a big part of the fun of membership. Beta Club involvement was not simply a matter of grades, it was a growing family.

The rainbow induction ceremony held in December initiated the eleven new members to raise the group's number to nineteen. Monthly meetings determined fund raisers and community projects. A New Year's party held at Mrs. Cockrell's home to ring

in 1989. Pizza and "Win, Lose, or Draw" competitions captured the imagination of the group.

To most members of the Beta Club, convention trips were the highlight of membership. They granted students the opportunity to meet people from all over the

United States. Michelle Sartain remembered riding the glass elevators in the San Antonio hotel while serenading the rest of the hotel guests. Beta Club members look forward to traveling to the national convention in Tallahassee, Florida.

Bobcat Yearbook Staff (front) Jennifer Metcalf, Andrea Burnett, Joanna Sloat, Kori Lippert, (back) Laura Smith, James Zotzky, Fawn Killman, Shane Pruitt, Rabon Metcalf, Natalie Coleman, sponsor Mrs. Donna Holt

Yearbook Staffers Struggle To Stop Time

“When is this due?” was an often-asked question for yearbook staff members. Determination, hard work, and cooperation were necessary to produce the best yearbook possible. Staffers conducted interviews, sold ads, took surveys, drew layouts, and designed artwork for Bobcat 89. Students challenged themselves to capture the year’s emotions. Also at stake

was pride in the finished product — a yearbook they hoped would live up to a past record of awards and achievements.

The ten staff members brought differing temperaments and opinions into the yearbook production process. Natalie Coleman’s favorite assignment was photography, when she could meet new people. First year staff member Jennifer Metcalf recalled selling ads during the summer in a crowded car: “I had a whole group of people in my car and I hit the curb.”

The hard work was supplemented by the occasional pizza party after a successful deadline to break the monotony and reward the staff for a job well done. More rewards would come later in the form of praise from their peers when the yearbooks were delivered.



Worth the trouble (above) Andrea Burnett and Natalie Coleman enjoy the fruits of their labor by chowing down on pizza after yearbook sales were completed.



Deadline ahead (left) Rabon Metcalf readies envelopes for mailing photographs as a deadline approaches.



Kindness of the poor Julie Pearce portrays a generous child who comforts a cold, homeless boy (Mark Lasher) on the steps of a church. Mrs. Davis' second period theater arts class practiced long hours to project realism into each scene of the Christmas production.



Under control Mrs. Davis organizes acts before the talent show.

Soft music Donna Parks accompanies Tracey Boyde as they sing "Pass Along" at the talent show.





Talent show participants (front)Shane Pruitt, Chris Quinn, Cindy Bridwell, Rabon Metcalf, Trent Jones, Henry Mershon, Jenny Scoggin, Angel Bridwell, (middle)Missy Johnston, Mark Adams, Jennifer Pearce, Julie Pearce, Julia Verbeek, Fawn Killman, James Spears, Michelle Sartain,(back)David Hodges, Geneva Hehmann, Jason Hart, Christina Knight, Lisa Weaver, Lora Mitchell, Jana Templin, Natalie Coleman, Ric Ratley, Scott Stone

Watch It!

Acting Adds Excitement

Lights! Camera! Action!

Sound familiar? To many students involved in acting events, these three words are rarely heard. The phrase was replaced by the more productive "Let's get moving!"

Acting requires much hard work and cooperation. Giving up precious free time was mandatory. Hours of practice, after school rehearsals, and meetings during activity period were sacrifices made for an acceptable performance.

Students were given the opportunity to show off their talents in the tal-

Chalkie's troubles (top) Michelle Sartain and Scott Stone decide how to punish Chalkie when he loses his piccolo before the important concert in "The Christmas Piccolo".

Talented winners (left middle) The Flames took top honors at the talent show by performing the skit "The House Is On Fire!". Members included (front)David Hodges, Mark Adams, Jenny Scoggin, Michelle Sartain,(back)Lora Mitchell, Jana Templin, Rabon Metcalf, Henry Mershon, Scott Stone, and Natalie Coleman.

ent show presented in November. Dramatic scenes shared the stage with comedy acts, and singers had their time in the spotlight as well. Other chances for expression on stage were waiting in the wings for drama students.

Wesley Boyde remarked that "the portraying of the characters made the performance good." His comment was only one of many compliments heard about the Christmas plays produced this year. Mrs. Davis and her theater arts classes presented "The Christmas Piccolo" and "The Greatest of These" to appreciative audiences.

Lights, prompts, make-up, and costumes all required much work. In order to give a crowd-pleasing performance, dedication and energy are necessary. The students and teachers involved proved they had what it took.

In Time At Half-Time

Band Adds Sparkle To Performance

March? What do you mean, march? That's a month of the year, right? These were typical responses of the seventh grade band members during their first exposure to marching at band camp.

Band camp gave the seventh graders a chance to get to know the older band members. Held for the first time at the TP&L camp in Trinidad, the camp also helped the band get acquainted with new director Mr. Bob Spittal. Members made new friends, and they learned new skills in the process.

Once school started, the real work began —

learning halftime shows. Playing and marching at the same time was quite an accomplishment for some. After school practice in the heat seemed to drain the energy of some students. The practice paid off when the band marched onto the field all in step for the first halftime show. "All the hard work we had put in during band camp paid off," said senior Natalie Coleman. Band spirit climbed due to the new uniforms they sported during each performance. The band was happy to shed the out-of-date uniforms for concert jackets and snazzy marching tops.

Concert season was next in line after a football season that witnessed impressive performances. The Christmas concert provided an opportunity to compete with their own past performances. TVCC Select Band competition brought band members into competition with other schools. With five students trying out, three made the Select Band, while the remaining pair were selected as alternates.

Junior Drum Major Fawn Killman summed it up by saying, "The band has improved this year and it will continue to improve."

Strike one! Band director Mr. Spittal launches a soggy sponge toward a cringing target at the Halloween Carnival booth manned by the band. Band boosters sponsored the carnival to raise money for band camp and other band activities.



Caught up in the action
Sporting fresh Bobcat tracks, freshman Kori Lippert endures a tense moment in support of the football team.





All wet A popular target, sophomore percussionist Chris Quinn does his time catching wet sponges in the band booth at the Halloween Carnival.



Blowing his own horn Senior Samuel Austin belts out the high notes during a halftime trumpet solo.



Sweatheart and Beau Drum Major Fawn Killman congratulates newly-crowned Band Beau Scott Stone and Sweatheart Tracy Hull during halftime of the last home football game.

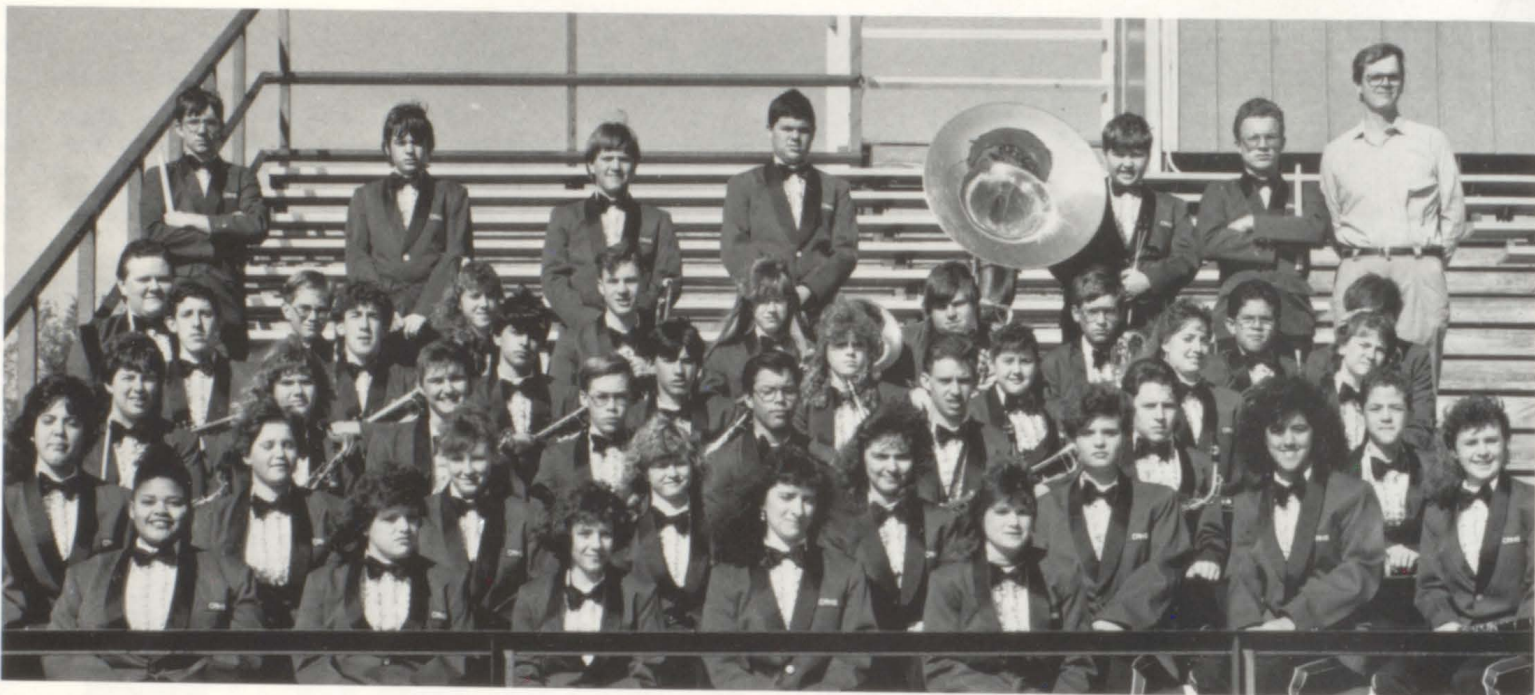
Keeping Time

Jones Heads To State Contest

"Mr. Ray told me he was disappointed because I hadn't done all the things we had worked on. Then he told me we'd have that fixed by the time we went to state," said Danielle Jones concerning her recent success at the District UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest. Her reaction after being told her results: "I laughed because my eyes bugged." Receiving

a number one rating was made even more memorable, since Danielle was the first Cross Roads student ever to enter the competition. Following more practice with her private lesson coach Mr. Ray, Danielle will head to Austin for the statewide contest in June.

Austin, ho! Senior clarinetist Danielle Jones will be headed for state solo competition in June.

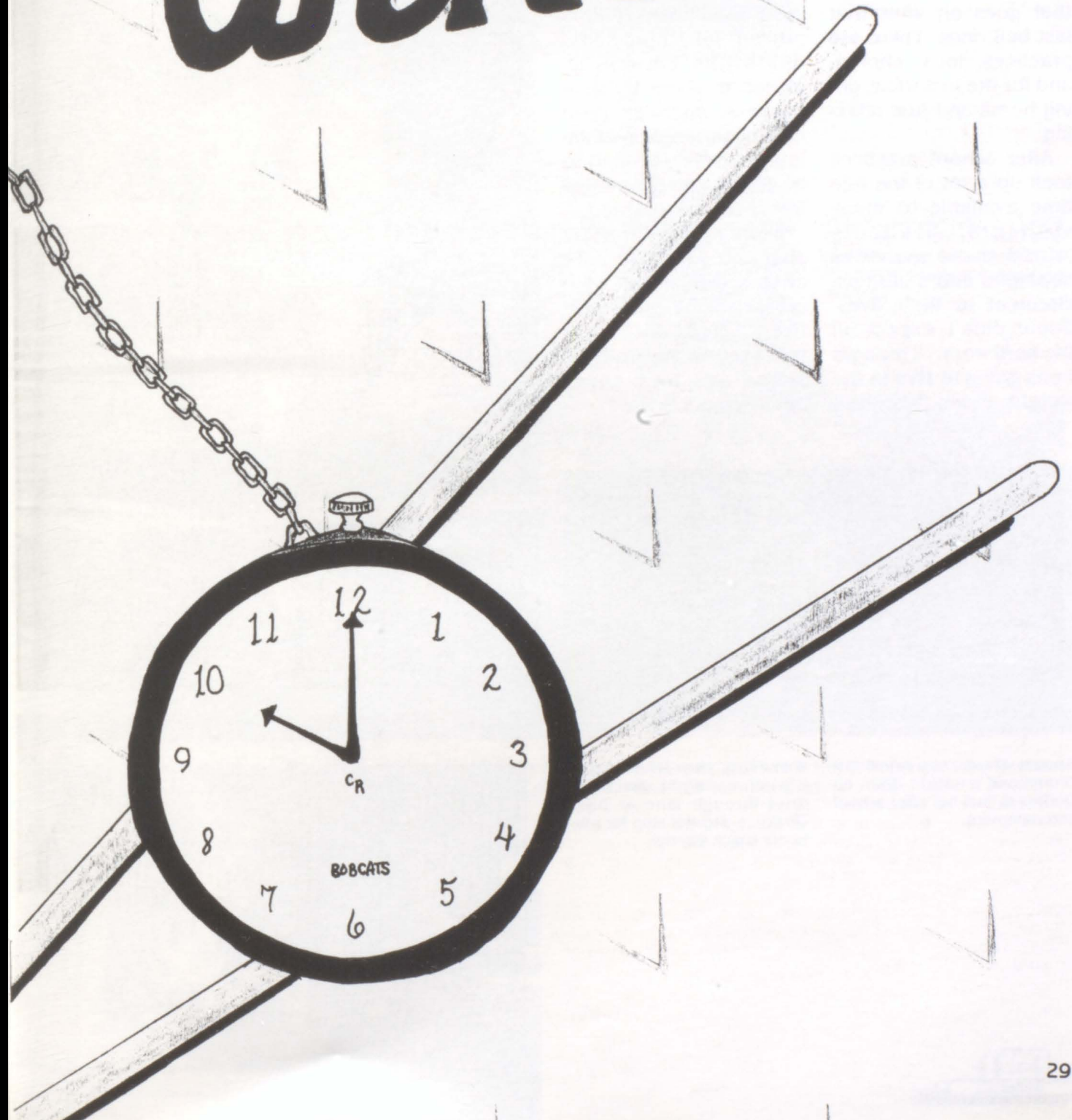


Bobcat Band (front row) N.Coleman, J.Morgan, C. Arthus, L.Buchinger, N.Pruitt, (2nd row)D.Jones, R. Handley, C.Lipsey, C.Abbott, A.Buchinger, K.Lippert, G.Hehmann, J.Jock, (3rd row)J.Metcalf, S.Harris, J. Pearce, P.Kuhn, T.Jones, J.Spears, J.Hart, M. Collins, (4th row)Pres. S.Austin, R.Metcalf, J. Wethington, C.Burns, S.Meadows, H.Martin, Sec. T. Hull, F.Morton, (5th row) C.Clark, D.McKinnerney, C. Nash, Treas. S.Stone, M.Johnston, W.Boyde, J.Emmert, B.Hehmann, J.Parker, (6th row)S.Pruitt, J.Rainwater, B.Lee, L.Walker, C.Quinn, Director Mr. Bob Spittal

Select Band Seniors Natalie Coleman, Samuel Austin, and Danielle Jones received the honor of membership in this year's Trinity Valley Select Band after competitive tryouts against band members from across the area.



Winter



After Hours

Students Relax After 3:40

"I have so much homework; I don't think I'll get to do anything tonight." This statement was a common one heard during 7th period. Homework was not the only event that goes on after that last bell rings. There are practices, jobs, chores, and for the lucky few, going home and just relaxing.

After school practices took up a lot of the free time available to many students. Students joined these activities hoping to add a little excitement to their lives. Some didn't expect all the hard work. "I thought I was going to **live** in the weight room," sighed

Cory Barron.

Tina Morrison explained why students took after school jobs by stating, "I have to work to make money for what I want." Some need cars, money for college, or just spending money. If not a paying job, many students had chores assigned to them by their parents, such as lawn care or the feeding of animals. These jobs had to be completed before any free time was awarded.

Keeping up with these after hours activities was often more difficult than actually being involved in them. Most students managed to juggle their schedules and enjoy some leisure time.



Snack time (above) Kristi Drummond munches down on Doritos to fuel her after school entertainment.

Working the line (right) Christina Knight mans the drive-through lane at Dairy Queen, a popular stop for after hours snack attacks.





Fill 'er up (below) Jo Lynne Moss, April Killman, and Laura Smith prepare for an evening of cruising uptown by loading the gas tank.



Play time Elementary students Derrick Dowell, David Jones, and Stacy Palmer use their free time during recess to get rid of excess energy on the playground equipment.

Breaking out (above) Ricky Tigert expresses his delight with having a little free time to enjoy. Many high school students spent the weekend nights cruising Athens to hang out with their friends.

Varsity Players Become High Five

"Too small, not enough experience to be playoff contenders." During preseason picks, sportswriters didn't take the Bobcats seriously. The team ignored the predictions and fought their way to the playoffs again. Although the post-season action was short-lived, the Bobcats had the satisfaction of knowing they were the last team to beat the Class AA State Champion Edgewood Bulldogs. The Bobcats took Chip Crist's last-second three-pointer to win the game 60-57.

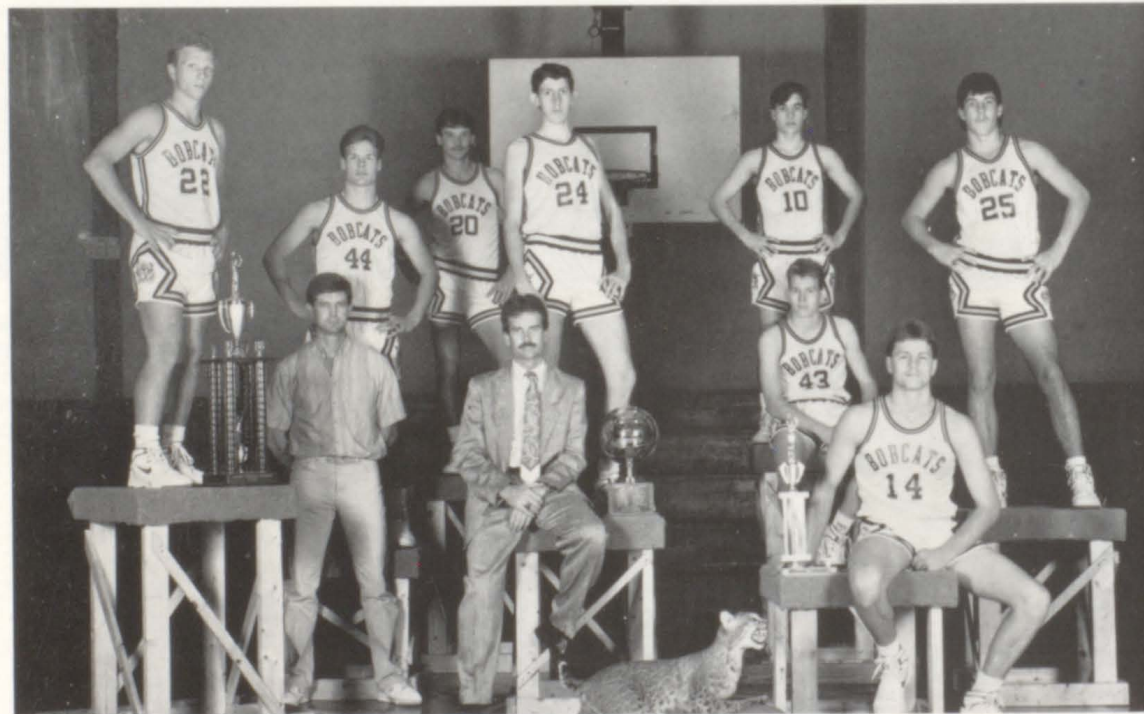
Although senior Chuck Brown received Most Valuable Player honors for the district, Cross Roads was far from a one-man team. Each player played a special part on the road to victory. Practice makes perfect held true with this team. Coach Jeff Thorpe worked with his players to bring out the talent of each individual, and their skills as a team. A few players from the JV squad received playing time to fill out the bench, gaining experience, confidence, and pride in themselves and the team.

The Bobcats' 24-7 regular season record made

Varsity Bobcats (front) Asst. Coach Dennis Tolbert, Coach Jeff Thorpe, Derek Daniel, Chip Crist, (back) John Holland, Chris Coker, Chuck Brown, Samuel Austin, Chris Hardy, Eddy Hinds

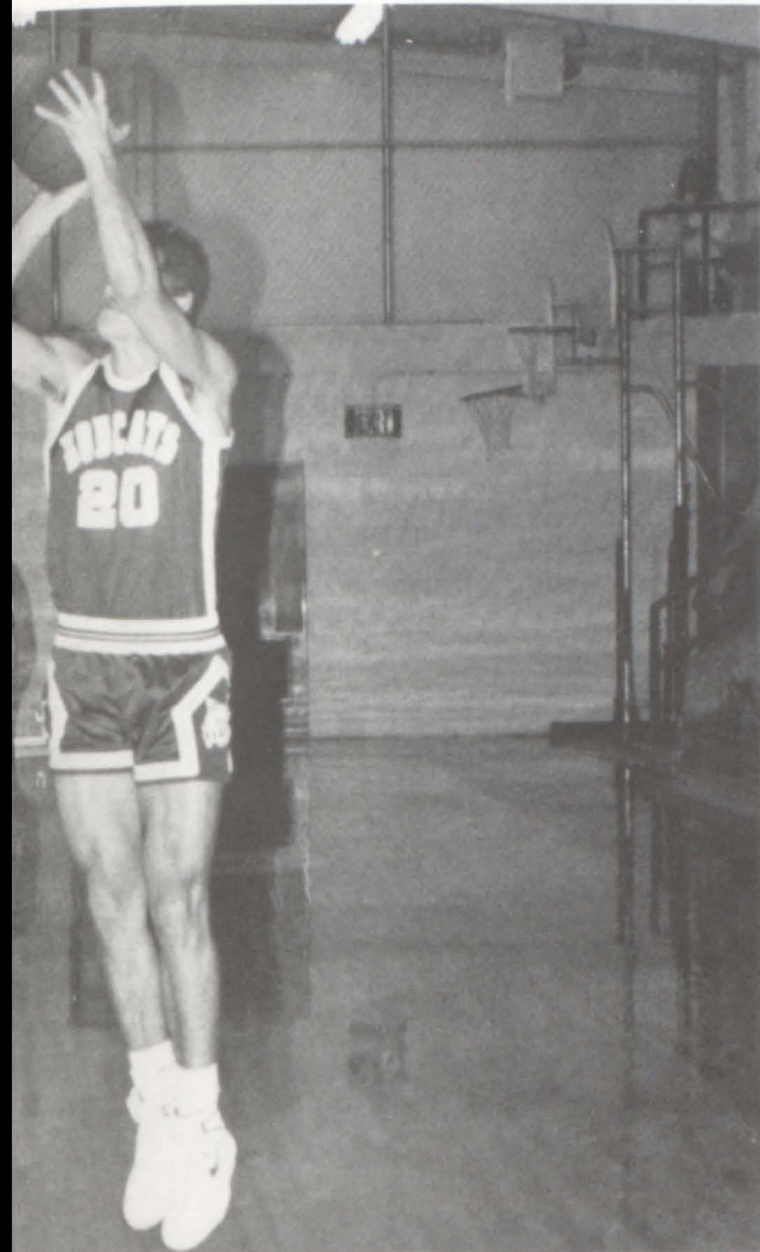
them District Co-Champions with Edgewood. The rivalry born at last year's bidistrict playoff continued to fuel hardfought games each of the four times the teams met. In the final contest against Honey Grove in Terrell, the Bobcats lost an early 12-point lead to lose their playoff bid by a 57-68 score. Reminiscing about the game, Coach Thorpe felt, "It was a game that we should have won, and would have won, if we had been able to maintain the intensity we had at the beginning of the season."

Airborne (right) Senior Chuck Brown lets a field goal fly toward the basket for three points.



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Varsity Boys



In flight (below) Junior Chris Coker watches intently as teammate Derek Daniel propels the ball toward the goal.



Score Opponent

74-39	Trinidad
70-67	Elkhart
75-48	Malakoff
55-58	Frankston
64-44	Blooming Grove
74-49	LaPoynor
87-35	St. Johns
58-41	Mt. Enterprise
53-70	Coolidge
57-60	Kaufman
76-43	Mildred
66-43	LaPoynor
60-59	Frankston
46-60	Edgewood
62-50	Kaufman
86-48	Kerens
57-59	Bishop Dunne
69-51	LaPoynor
57-60	Westwood
102-58	Mildred
90-47	Carlisle
60-57	Edgewood
89-62	Eustace
73-69	Grand Saline
92-64	Alba-Golden
77-50	Cayuga
47-68	Edgewood
78-54	Grand Saline
95-52	Eustace
90-49	Alba-Golden
71-57	Cayuga
54-74	Edgewood
57-68	Honey Grove

Season Record

24-9

All-District, All-county (left) (bottom) Chuck Brown, Samuel Austin, Chris Coker, (middle) Derek Daniel, Chip Crist, (top) John Holland



Beating the odds Samuel Austin fights a tough defense for two points as John Holland watches his progress.

Time After Time

Lady Bobcats Face Challenges

Here it is, the whole truth. These people abuse me. They slap me away from other people and throw me to girls on their team. They bounce me around on my head too. Then they do something which I hate the most. They throw, shove, and slam me into that basket so many times every game.

The Varsity Lady Bobcats made so many outstanding moves on the court during a game that if a basketball could really speak, this is what it would say. The awesome effort and team spirit put forth by the players pulled out many wins in tightly-fought contests.

When asked why she was so interested in basketball, senior Siovhon Upchurch answered, "I was born with a basketball in my hand." Could

it be the fans or the coaches that added personal motivation? Jana Templin explained that "Coach Guidry has given me enthusiasm by letting me start in some of the games, and he's helped by teaching me some new techniques in playing." Stephanie Upchurch stressed that "when the fans are yelling and supporting us it gets us excited. It lets us know that there are people out there supporting us."

From season's opening tip-off to that final rebound the Lady Bobcats stayed on top, through rough practices and tough games, to end the year with a winning record of 21 wins and 10 losses.



Standing tall (inset above) Sophomore Geneva Hehmann stands ready to collect a rebound if freshman Nicky Pruitt's shot for two fails to meet the mark. Both got plenty of playing time despite their young age.

Decision time (right) Stephanie Upchurch shows the strain of game pressure as she ponders whether to pass or shoot against a tough defense.



Varsity Lady Bobcats (front) Nicky Pruitt, (back) Coach Tom Guidry, Jana Templin, Geneva Hehmann, Stephanie Upchurch, Jennifer Rogers, Jeanette Abbott, Siovhon Upchurch, Kim Mattingly, Kristi Weaver

Varsity Girls

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Score	Opponent
46-34	Trinidad
42-29	Elkhart
29-66	LaPoynor
52-43	Frankston
26-25	Blooming Grove
37-68	LaPoynor
48-30	St. Johns
56-29	Kerens
51-47	Buffalo
28-53	Kerens
59-23	Mildred
59-48	Trinity Acad.
42-28	Dallas Baptist
39-35	Blooming Grove
30-34	Leon
43-27	Hubbard
32-52	LaPoynor
52-23	Westwood
42-30	Neches
45-43	Alba-Golden
52-26	Cayuga
49-59	Edgewood
58-48	Eustace
34-40	Grand Saline
36-38	Alba-Golden
62-31	Cayuga
55-72	Edgewood
53-31	Eustace
65-53	Grand Saline
49-45	Grand Saline
40-50	Alba-Golden

Season Record
21-10



Taking it downcourt (left) Backed up by Kristi Weaver, senior Jeanette Abbott strides downcourt to put herself in scoring position.



Split Seconds

JV, JH Teams Learn The Value of Teamwork

"If we all get along, we play well, but if one player is a bad link you have a weak chain and don't play well." Kourtne Airheart expressed her feelings about the junior high eighth grade girls basketball team. Surely they got along quite well, since the team recorded a 13-1 season. The seventh grade girls team followed their lead, earning a 8-4 record with three of the losses coming in contests with eighth grade teams. Coached by Tom and Kathy Guidry, these girls gained self-confidence and many victories, both on and off the court.

The seventh grade boys Bobcats witnessed a large turnout of play-

ers. Despite a disappointing 3-9 season, Coach Dennis Tolbert was proud of the output of the players in game situations. The eighth grade team had a smaller group of players but put together a 8-6 record. Coach Tolbert felt the players would contribute much to future teams

with their game experience.

Junior Varsity teams both had limited team size but played each game as if it was the district championship. The girls team managed a 3-5 record, while the boys recorded a 9-7 season.



Junior Varsity Bobcats (above) (front row) Craig Arthus, Trace Holder, Lance Perkins, Mark Adams, Trent Jones, Shane Pruitt, (back row) Coach Dennis Tolbert, Matt Holland, James Spears, David Hodges, Grant Dixon, James Clark, Scott Stone



7th Grade Bobcats (above) Donnie McKinnemey, Lee Walker, Mike Ely, Kelly Spence, Joe Emmert, Brian Lee, Steven Richardson, Kris Burns, Shawn McCullough, Bryan Hehmann, Trey Norman
8th Grade Bobcats (right) (front row) Cory Barron, Matt Reimer, (back row) Gary Holder, Clay Busby, Shane Morgan, Kenneth Washington, Luke King

Junior Varsity



JV Boys	
Score	Opponent
48-45	Trinidad
42-32	St. Johns
57-35	Mildred
31-24	Kaufman
54-41	Kerens
30-71	Bishop Dunne
42-35	Mildred
52-36	Carlisle
31-77	Edgewood
33-50	Grand Saline
25-65	Cayuga
47-59	Blooming Grove
56-50	Kerens
33-53	Grand Saline
51-26	Alba-Golden
31-61	Cayuga

Season Record 9-7

JV Girls	
Score	Opponent
30-28	Blooming Grove
32-25	Neches
18-23	Alba-Golden
17-36	Cayuga
24-23	Kemp
35-48	Mabank
22-27	Eustace
25-42	Edgewood

Season Record 3-5



Junior High



Junior Varsity Lady Bobcats
(left) Coach Tom Guidry, Tina Moss, Larra Marshall, Lisa Clark, Cindy Turner, Tracy Hull, Kristie Hall

8th Grade Lady Bobcats
(below) (front) Cissy Lee, Wendy Kinabrew, (middle) Julie Hall, Wendy Morgan, Kourtnie Airheart, Tonya Morton, (back) Cherry Rounsavall, Alana Vaughn, Kakie Wallis, Missy Johnston, Staci Wilcox, Kourtnie Marshall, Nikki Wood, Jennifer Mewbourn, Coach Kathy Guidry



8th Grade Boys	
Score	Opponent
28-54	Buffalo
55-28	Mildred
35-25	Alba-Golden
36-41	Edgewood
33-26	Eustace
38-33	Cayuga
40-34	Grand Saline
43-50	Alba-Golden
40-42	Cayuga
43-37	Martins Mill
44-47	Trinidad
27-29	Edgewood
47-30	Eustace
Season Record 8-6	

7th Grade Boys	
21-35	Alba-Golden
27-25	Cayuga
19-34	Edgewood
33-37	Eustace
30-29	Grand Saline
29-27	Alba-Golden
21-38	Cayuga
17-44	Trinidad
22-65	Martins Mill
23-40	Edgewood
29-31	Eustace
Season Record 3-9	

8th Grade Girls	
39-27	Trinidad
46-20	Buffalo
50-29	Alba-Golden
31-26	Cayuga
43-7	Edgewood
37-29	Eustace
49-26	Grand Saline
34-25	Alba-Golden
25-27	Cayuga
37-27	Martins Mill
37-16	Trinidad
40-6	Edgewood
39-12	Eustace
Season Record 13-1	

7th Grade Girls	
21-19	Alba-Golden
31-11	Cayuga
35-19	Edgewood
35-16	Eustace
33-5	Grand Saline
16-19	Alba-Golden
28-11	Cayuga
16-18	Trinidad
27-37	Martins Mill
21-10	Edgewood
22-6	Eustace
Season Record 8-4	



7th Grade Lady Bobcats
(left) (front) Cindy Barnes, Heather Martin, Mitch Farnham, (middle) Copper Locke, Carrie Arthus, Fonda Morton, Carla Nash, Karoline Black, (back) Jamie Morgan, Roxanne Handley, Stacy Harris, Shanda Meadows, Lisa Weaver, Jensy Reese, Crystal Abbott, Coach Kathy Guidry

Putting On The Pounds

Powerlifters Reach New Totals

A powerlifter's nightmare. One day before the meet the coach weighed you and you are two pounds overweight for your weight class. So you are placed on the 3-banana diet for the day. When you weigh in at the meet, you still weighed one pound too many. The coach griped you out a bit, and you dressed in nice warm sweats for a few laps of the gym. Then you were ready to compete.

The main goals for powerlifters were to build up personal totals in bench press, squat, and dead lifts. Progress in each event meant team victories in meets. Tommy Alexander said, "The roughest meet for me was Palestine because it had lots of competition in my weight class."

When preparing for a lift, powerlifters psyched themselves up in various ways. Methods included listening to rock music, slapping themselves around, and getting angry at the weight itself. Veteran lifter Les Loden described his process:

"Before a lift I picture myself actually lifting the weight. That helps."

Small in numbers but great in determination, the powerlifting team did not pull off any first place group trophies. Les Loden, Marlin Lamb, and Cory Barron qualified for regional competition. Les Loden and Cory Barron headed on to the state meet where Les came away with a fourth place trophy in his weight class.

Pushing it Les Loden strains every muscle to get the lift he needs to take 1st place in his weight class at the Cain Center meet.



Meeting the winners Coach David Simmons emceed the Cross Roads/Athens Meet at the Cain Center.



FCA (front row) Trace Holder, Angel Bridwell, Sandy Hart, Tina Moss, Michelle Sartain, Cindy Coker, Nicky Pruitt (back row) Shane Pruitt, Matt Holland, Chris Coker, Sponsor David Simmons, John Holland, Siovhon Upchurch, Stephanie Upchurch

By The Case Or By The Box

FCA Rounds Up Food For Needy

Push, shove, and sack more into those bags and boxes. As cans of food poured in from the local area, paper sacks and boxes were stuffed by Fellowship of Christian Athletes members. They awaited distribution to local needy families through the Food Pantry in Athens.

Service projects such as the food drive headed up the group's activities. The members also enjoyed other events, including pizza parties. When Trace Holder was asked about his favorite FCA project, he answered that it was "the canned food drive, be-

cause the winners received a pizza at the end."

Being an FCA member had its fun and exciting times, but FCA was more than this. It required much effort and time to be a part of this team. The organization rewarded its members with a sense of accomplishment and personal pride.

Power-lifting



Meet Results

Robert E. Lee Meet
1st Les Loden
9th Team

Palestine Westwood

1st Cory Barron
5th Marlin Lamb
8th Team

Palestine High Meet

1st Les Loden
2nd Cory Barron
3rd Marlin Lamb
4th Team
5th Rabon Metcalf
5th Phillip Kuhn

Cross

Roads/Athens Meet
1st Les Loden
3rd Marlin Lamb
3rd Cory Barron
4th Rabon Metcalf
5th Team

TVCC Regional Meet

2nd Les Loden
3rd Cory Barron

Texas A&M State Meet

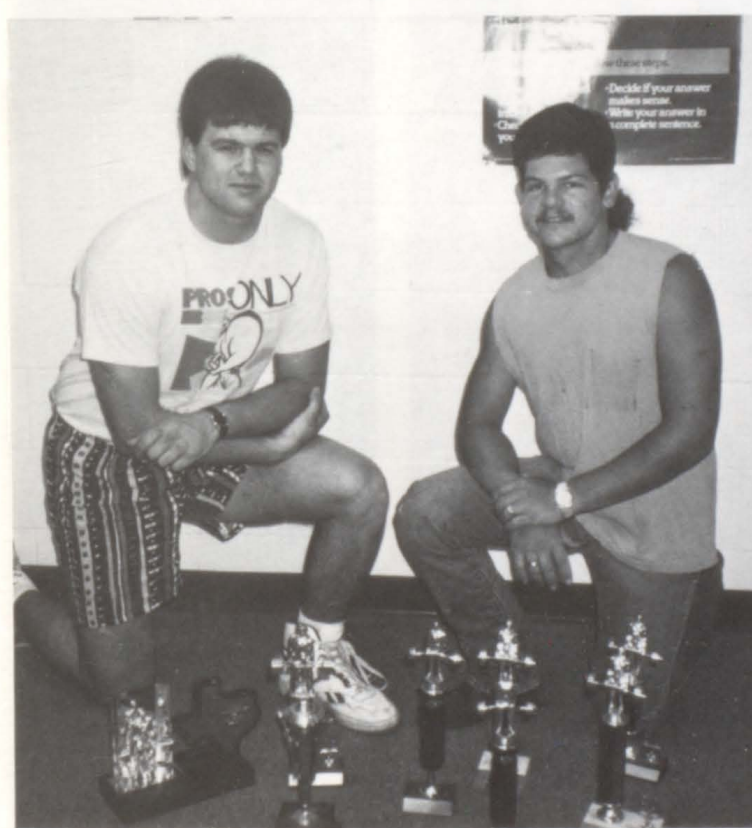
4th Les Loden

Each lifter's place reflects placement in his weight class.



Bobcat Powerlifters (front) Rabon Metcalf, Gary Sellers, Kenny Rogers, (middle) Les Loden, Coach David Simmons, Marlin Lamb, (back) Phillip Kuhn, Tommy Alexander, Ric Ratley

Regional Qualifiers Les Loden, Marlin Lamb, and (not pictured) Cory Barron racked up enough points for regional competition at TVCC. Les and Cory qualified for the state meet, where Les brought home 4th place honors in his weight class.



The Time Has Come

Spring Fever Hits Campus

My fever is rising, my stomach is aching, my head is spinning. I must have Spring Fever!

During the late winter and early spring, students didn't actually have a disease. They were just wound up, ready with the warmer weather for the oncoming summer. Spring Break marked the beginning of the rising fever. Some students slept late, some ventured out of town for vacation, while others stayed to visit with friends.

Cures for the disease

included Chris Quinn's remedy: "I would like to sleep late and not have to come to school until later — about 10 AM!" April Killman said that she would "just be glad to graduate since school is becoming boring." Andrea Burnett summed up the extent of the spring fever by declaring, "The seniors' fevers won't break until May 27 — graduation!"

Rising fever Michele Wallis looks on approvingly as Fawn Killman shows off her new braided hairdo. Crazy antics made the many band bus trips more bearable.



Sophomore Favorites Allison Rhoades and Chris Quinn



Junior Favorites (left) Kim Bishop and Justin Gunnels

Senior Favorites (above) Wes Black and Lori Morgan



Senior officers (top) VP Mike Kuhn, Sec. Trista Brashear, Pres. Wes Black

Junior officers (above) Sec. Fawn Killman, Treas. Eddy Hinds, Pres. Justin Gunnels, VP Angie Barnes

Freshman Favorites Sandy Hart and Matt Holland received the honor after being elected by their peers, as did the favorites from each of the other three high school classes.

Freshman officers (above) Rep. Kenny Rogers, Treas. Craig Arthus, VP Grant Dixon, Pres. Matt Holland
Sophomore officers (right) Treas. Jennifer Rogers, Pres. Mark Adams, Sec. Chris Quinn, VP Leslie Dodd



Vacation Time

Holidays Punctuate The Year

What eight-letter word beginning with h do students love to hear? No, it's not homework — it's holidays! Holidays come in every shape and size from Christmas to Halloween. They are the special times of year that most everyone enjoys. A holiday is often the occasion for a party or special event. The Halloween Carnival, Christmas plays, and New Year's Eve parties brought students together for fun and celebration. As the year progressed, Valentine cards, candy, and

flowers were exchanged. High school girls waited anxiously until their bouquet arrived from their beau. St. Patrick's Day followed with the wearing of the green, not an unpopular color around campus. Easter and spring break rounded out the year as elementary students enjoyed Easter egg hunts. The biggest holiday of all — summer — was then just around the corner.



Setting the mood Student Council president Wes Black trims the tree in the commons area to promote the Christmas spirit.

Eggs-actly right Kindergartners Alrick Harris and Aaron Trammell show off their egg-coloring skills as they prepare for the Easter bunny.





Scary spirit (far left) Fifth graders Dara Beeson and Misty Tower enjoy the company of the Pumpkin Man who lounged in the elementary foyer during the weeks preceding Halloween.

Reason to party (near left) Kori Lippert boogies to the beat at the band's Valentine's Day dance.



Pitching dimes Mr. Thorpe serves his customers at the Junior booth of the Halloween Carnival. The Junior class and other organizations used the event as a money-making opportunity.

Strolling musician Mrs. Holt and former student Michael Lowry enjoy Mr. McKinnemey's rendition of a Christmas carol as he wound his way through the school spreading seasonal cheer.



Leaders Of The Pack

Student Council Organizes Bobcat Pride

"Mr. Legs? Who's Mr. Legs?" The question was on everyone's mind during Homecoming Week as the Student Council sponsored a contest to reward the guy with the most beautiful legs.

The Mr. Legs contest was just one of the events organized by students and sponsor Mrs. Barbara Stone. When asked if she enjoyed working with the group, Mrs. Stone responded, "Yes, because they are usually the best students

in the school." The student council members enjoyed their interaction with Mrs. Stone as well. Chris Coker said that "she is very young at heart. She seems to be on the same wavelength as teens, but she also knows when to be an adult."

The Student Council organized fund raisers and activities to coordinate with other special events. Homecoming Week was particularly busy, with members presenting the evening Homecoming Pep Rally,

a door decoration contest, and the Mr. Legs event. The Arrive Alive campaign, held in conjunction with Prom Week, promoted the signing of contracts that stated the student would not drink and drive.

Senior John Holland, a four-year Student Council member, summed up his positive response to his involvement in the group. "I have learned leadership qualities and how to work with other people."



Student Council (front) Grant Dixon, Sec. Chris Coker, Mark Adams, Parl. Scott Stone, Cindy Coker, Matt Holland, (middle) Crystal Newton, Kristi Weaver, Angie Barnes, Leslie Dodd, Jennifer Rogers, Mrs. Barbara Stone, (back) Trace Holder, Fawn Killman, Geneva Hehmann, Pres. Wes Black, Treas. Chuck Brown, VP John Holland, Karl Butler, Trista Brashear, Les Loden, Cindy Bridwell

Arriving alive (right) Wesley Boyde selects a bracelet and prepares to sign his pledge not to drink and drive.



Mr. Legs (below) Wes Black presents Mr. Legs Wes Brown with the prestigious pantyhose award at the Homecoming pep rally.



Spirit aflame (above) Mrs. Stone's 4th period Food Science and Nutrition class won first place in the door decorating contest designed to increase student spirit during Homecoming Week.



Fright crew (above) Scott Stone and Chris Coker scared the daylights out of the elementary classes during their Halloween appearances. Student Council members promoted Halloween safety to the younger students.

#1 Principal (left) Mr. Lewis seems genuinely touched by the appreciation, and the giant cookie, he received during a Principal's Week assembly in his honor.

Concurrent Students Take Them At The Same Time

A strange bearded man wearing a trenchcoat and carrying a rifle walked into the concurrent college classroom. Mr. Holt and the college students wondered about it. Soon the students realized that his appearance was only part of a demonstration. Armed with a scalpel, Mr. Holt wasn't so sure the stranger wasn't bent on destruction. But he was only Mr. Chester Phillips, the TVCC English professor.

"Mr. Phillips is a unique teacher," responded Wes Black. Both Mr. Phillips and the American History professor Mr. Bob Farmer were very understanding about students enrolled

in high school and college at the same time.

Joanna Sloat, the only junior taking the two courses, said that taking these classes has made her more aware of how important her grades are. Seniors had to pass the English class to graduate, a fact that had some seniors worried. Adding these classes to their schedule meant more time spent on homework, time some of the students didn't have.

College and high school classes differ dramatically. John Holland explained that these courses save college time. These concurrent classes provided a transition between college and high school.



Rapt attention Andrea Burnett takes notes as Les Loden and Cindy Bridwell listen to Mr. Farmer's lecture in American History.



Foolish attraction (left) John Holland looks on as Michelle Sartain and Wes Black vividly portray their characters in their skit "I'm A Fool" for the concurrent English class.



Ho, ho, ho! Shayne Surls, Becky Myers, and Larry Chandler take Mr. Phillips advice by dressing up for Halloween.

Reliving the past John Holland and Siovhon Upchurch prepare to view a film on World War II in Mr. Farmer's concurrent history class.



Students Learn By Doing It

By The Numbers

Picking up the scalpel, he makes the first cut, which runs from the head to the tail. As he opens the incision, all the creature's internal organs become exposed.

Dissection is one of the many ways a teacher allows students to learn while having fun, with hands-on experience. In high school drama classes, Mrs. Lake Davis assigned each student a project ranging from a story analysis to setting up a scene. Mrs. Davis explained that "projects allow for individual creativity, allow students to explore individual interests, and in some cases allow for group work and personal communications."

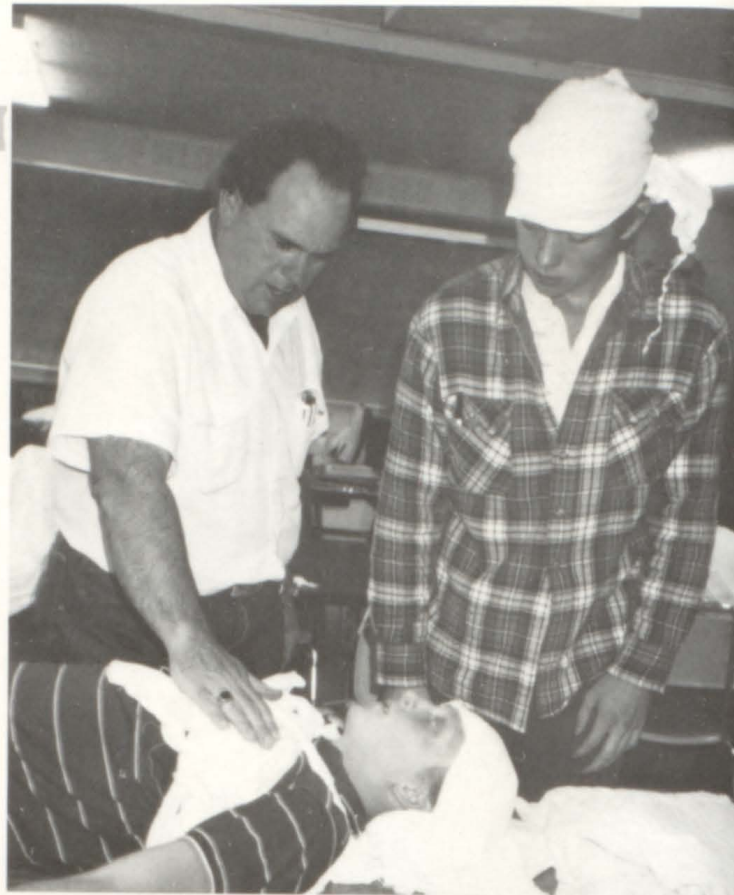
Mr. Dennis Tolbert, junior high life science teacher, instructs his students by taking them to the lab. When the section of the book deals with clouds, condensation, and humidity, Mr. Tolbert may set up a lab experiment to demonstrate these concepts. Water is heated, poured into the bottom of a jar, a petri dish of ice is placed on top of the jar, and possibly some smoke is captured in the jar to represent a cloud. Voila! A dandy little experiment to show how rain forms.

Coloring pictures is

one of the hands-on ways that kids of all ages express their feelings. This is a major method by which elementary students learn self-accomplishment and self-respect. With these two elements established, elementary kids are ready to proceed into the realm of junior high. Coloring isn't the only thing these young children do in the way of active learning. For instance, kindergarten students have raised chicks from eggs, while others used dinosaurs and other plastic animals to create scenes from the past.

Music is an active learning class that is shared by students of all ages. To a second grader, Mrs. Wanda Bass' music class is a time to have fun while learning to enjoy music. Learning to play an instrument involves reading the music, knowing the musical scales, and transferring that knowledge to the actual production of sounds.

Projects, demonstrations, and speeches are methods of learning that directly involve the student. This hands-on method allows the student to learn almost painlessly.



Stopping the flow (top) Mr. Barnett shows Mike Stovall the proper method of bandaging John Holland as part of the first aid segment of his Wildlife Management course.

Just swingin' Kim Mattingly and Laura Smith apply the first coat of varnish to the porch swing they produced in Ag.

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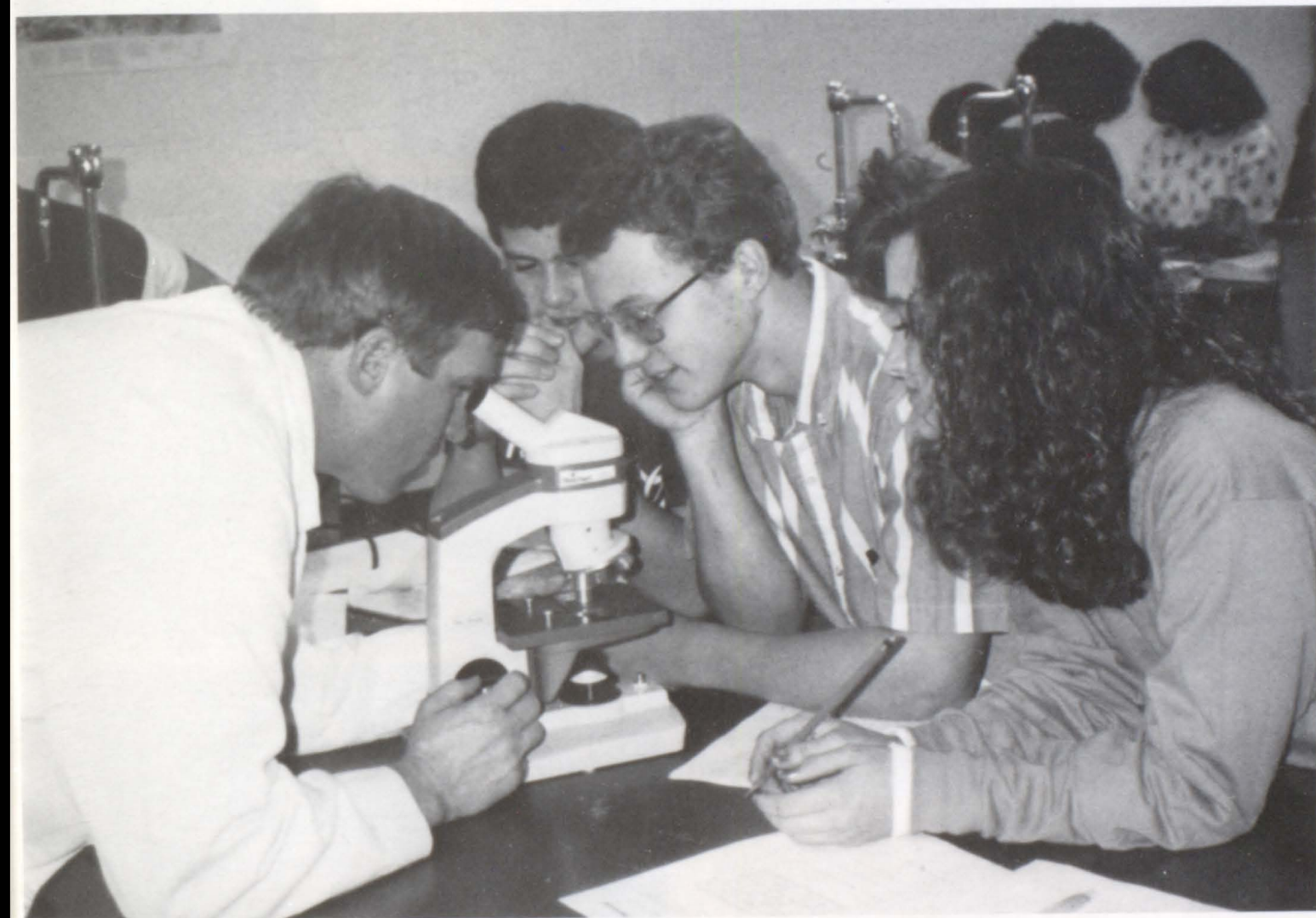
Spiders and pumpkins galore (left) Mrs. Harris' first graders enjoy constructing their own terrifying decorations for the Halloween season.



Cut it out! (left below) Mr. Tolbert compares internal organs by demonstrating the dissection of an earthworm to his junior high Life Science class.



Insect athletes (left) Fifth grader Misty Tower displays the Cross Roads Bugcats, a football team composed of various insects she collected and mounted.



The inside story (below) Mr. Holt focuses the microscope to allow Mark Adams, Chris Quinn, and Alison Rhoades to discover little-known facts about plant root tips.

The Ones To Watch

District Literary UIL Champions Strike Again

Click. Click. Click. It's stopped! What now? I can't finish my contest!

Craig Arthus' worst nightmare came true as his typewriter broke down during District Literary UIL competition at TVCC.

Students overcame such trauma to put Cross Roads into first place in district, a position that the school has occupied for three of the last four years. To receive first place honors took practice, and participants started preparing for the contests weeks before the competition. When the day of the district contest finally arrived, the participants were ready. Some of the first-time team members felt nervous, but veteran competitor Jenny Scoggin said she was confident and feeling good. Playing pool, playing video games, or sizing up the competition kept the

District UIL team (front) Lori Morgan, Tina Morrison, (middle) Beth Boykin, Natalie Coleman, Tina Moss, Sandy Hart, Wes Black, Shane Pruitt, Danielle Jones, Latanya Barron, Cindy Turner, Kristie Hall, Angel Bridwell, Larry Chandler, (back) Grant Dixon, Craig Arthus, Becky Myers, Michelle Sartain, Jenny Scoggin, Samuel Austin, Chris Coker, Siobhan Upchurch, John Holland, Stephanie Upchurch, Matt Holland

students busy in the waiting hours before their events. Afterwards it seemed easier for them to play pool and enjoy the day.

When the final results were posted, everyone was relieved and very happy. Freshman Kristie Hall remarked, "I was proud to be part of the team." When the individual results were announced the students excitedly reviewed their scores. Of 36 students participating at the district level, 25 would be traveling to regional contests, with 9 of those as alternates.

Regional competition at Tyler Junior College

witnessed the competitive survival of Tina Morrison and Stephanie Upchurch. They traveled to Austin for the state contest in Shorthand. Stephanie competed with pain as a handicap, as she had torn all the ligaments on one side of her face before the contest. The two students did not bring home any trophies, but they enjoyed the experience of competition at the state level.

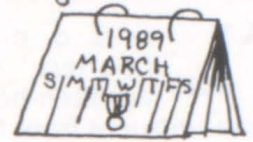
Celebration time Chris Quinn and Chris Coker lead the cheers as they display the 1st place trophy.



State competitors Tina Morrison and Stephanie Upchurch beat the odds to compete in Shorthand at the State UIL Meet in Austin.



U.I.L. High School



District

- Samuel Austin** — 2nd Number Sense
- Wes Black** — 1st Persuasive Speaking
- Andrea Burnett** — 3rd Editorial Writing
- Larry Chandler** — 3rd Persuasive Speaking
- Chris Coker** — 2nd Informative Speaking
- Natalie Coleman** — 1st Poetry
- Grant Dixon** — 3rd Informative Speaking
- John Holland** — 1st Number Sense, 1st News Writing
- Matt Holland** — 1st Editorial Writing
- Kori Lippert** — 2nd Ready Writing
- Tina Morrison** — 3rd Shorthand
- Stephanie Upchurch** — 1st Typewriting, 2nd Shorthand



Practice time (above) Natalie Coleman hits the books to prepare an entry for Poetry Interpretation.

Regional UIL team (left) (front row) Grant Dixon, Wes Black, (2nd row) Larry Chandler, Natalie Coleman, Tina Morrison, Andrea Burnett, Angel Bridwell, (3rd row) John Holland, Stephanie Upchurch, (back row) Samuel Austin, Jenny Scoggin, Chris Coker, Matt Holland

One-Act Play Sees "Harvey" Break A Leg!

"Louder! Louder!" was an often-heard commandment from Mrs. Davis during the preparation of the One Act-Play. As sponsor of the play, Mrs. Davis pushed the cast members to their height in the comedy "Harvey". This preparation included long practices, uncomfortable costumes, and contest readiness.

Practices consumed the free time of cast and crew in the afternoons and early mornings. Mrs. Davis volunteered her time to make sure the students possessed the skills to perform. Actors and actresses reviewed their parts continuously to reach their peak. Jessica Fomey said, "I like the play because we have a lot of fun times and I like working with everyone as a group."

"I like our costumes and how we improve when we actually put them on. I think the costumes will add a lot to our personal and group performances." Michelle Sartain commented on the sometimes difficult costumes and makeup. Makeup was especially hard for the male cast

members to endure.

The trip to district contest in Eustace was a nerve-racking one. The cast and crew rehearsed their lines and cues while nursing a severe case of butterflies. The effort added up to give Cross Roads the alternate position in district competition. Scott Stone and Chris Coker received All-Star Cast awards, while Fawn Killman received Honorable Mention All-Star Cast honors. The entire cast, crew, and director received the positive feeling that came from volunteering their time toward a group goal of excellence.



Sophisticated lady Michelle Sartain as Dr. Chumley's wife Betty can't understand why her husband doesn't want to go to a dinner party.



Cast and Crew

Elwood P. Dowd	Chris Coker
Veta	Fawn Killman
Myrtle	Tina Moss
Mrs. Chauvenet	Jessica Fomey
Ruth Kelly, R.N.	Angel Bridwell
Duane Wilson	Ric Ratley
Dr. Lyman Sanderson	Scott Stone
Dr. William Chumley	Chris Quinn
Betty Chumley	Michelle Sartain
Judge Gaffney	Shane Pruitt
E.J. Lofgren	Canyon Lindley
Stage Manager	David Hodges
Sound	Mark Adams
Lights	James Spears
Director	Mrs. Lake Davis

Making herself heard Dr. Chumley (Chris Quinn) restrains Veta (Fawn Killman) as she tries to keep Judge Gaffney (Shane Pruitt) from ruining her brother's imaginative mind. Orderly Duane Wilson (Ric Ratley) watches her outburst with interest.





Friendly concern As Mrs. Chauvenet, Jessica Forney relays concern for the plight of poor Elwood, who seems to have lost his mind and gained a friend in a giant invisible rabbit named Harvey.

Waiting for a tip As taxi driver E.J. Lofgren, Canyon Lindley interjects his opinion into the sanitarium scene.



Cast and crew (front) David Hodges, James Spears, Mark Adams, (middle) Scott Stone, Angel Bridwell, Chris Quinn, Shane Pruitt, (back) Canyon Lindley, Mrs. Lake Davis, Tina MOss, Michelle Sartain, Ric Ratley, Fawn Killman, Chris Coker



First place team Donny Patterson, Justin Gunnels, Larry Chandler, and Clint Sorrell carry home honors from the SCS Plant ID Contest held in Athens.

Finishing touches (right) Kim Busby applies the first coat of stain to a porch swing built as a shop project.



A Time For Cooperation

FFA Members Compete For Team and Individual Honors

Contests — a baseball game here, a fishing tournament there, or maybe an election for class office. Almost everyone participates in a contest sooner or later. If left to FFA sponsor Mr. Tommy Barnett, usually it is sooner rather than later.

Mr. Barnett loves to get students involved in FFA contests. At the beginning of the year, he started to pick his teams for the first of the local contests — Plant Identification. Each student drilled

in the names, characteristics, and identification of the plants of Texas. Mr. Barnett then loaded up the teams for contest time. The senior team brought home first place honors at the Trinity Neches contest in Athens sponsored by the Soil Conservation Service. Larry Chandler and Donny Patterson captured individual awards as well.

A junior team was pruned and shaped for competition in time for the East Texas Fair contests. The senior team

again won first place, and the junior group placed fourth. Larry Chandler, Clint Sorrell, and Shane Pruitt garnered individual honors.

After a short pause, Mr. Barnett again got that gleam in his eye. Everyone knew it was Leadership contest time with leaders to be created in the areas of Chapter Conducting, Farm Skills, and Radio. At contest in Athens, the junior Chapter Conducting team won fourth place and the junior Farm Skills team

placed third.

As the year drew to a close so did the activities of the FFA teams. Judging contests in areas of livestock, dairy, land, and meat were attended, with Cross Roads placing well in several meets on the district level. Mr. Barnett is already considering the contests for next year, and he will continue to mold his students into the competitive spirit of FFA contests.



FFA (front row) J. Sloat, B. Boykin, K. Busby, A. Barnes, J. Abbott, K. Mattingly, K. Holder, L. Smith, K. Loden, K. Hall, P. Agin, A. Rhoades, (2nd row) A. Kinabrew, B. Steed, C. Lee, C. Sorrell, J. Holland, W. Black, L. Loden, S. Bell, J. Mershon, T. Alexander, K. Butler, (3rd row) V. Aquilar, R. Smith, T. Parker, J. Ellis, S. Crawford, M. Henry, C. Crist, J. Hammond, M. Stovall, J. Logan, M. McCullough, G. Dixon, C. Arthus, (back row) G. Sellers, T. Barbour, K. Rogers, J. Clark, J. Holt, M. Adams, C. Kirkpatrick, M. Kuhn, M. Lamb, D. Patterson, E. Carroll, S. Pruitt, W. Boyde, B. Beasley, Mr. Tommy Barnett

Careful artisan Kim Mattingly puts the finishing touches on a wooden porch swing by staining it dark oak. Shop projects became an important part of FFA competition.

It's Showtime!

FFA Members Vie For Honors at Livestock Shows

It was that time of year again. Time to prepare that Grade A fryer for the livestock show. Time to trim your horses and steers, clean your chickens and rabbits, and polish your shop projects. It was showtime.

As sophomore Mark Adams could explain, livestock shows can be disappointing as well as entertaining. Mark had purchased New Zealand White rabbits for competition at the Henderson County Livestock Show. With the guidance of FFA sponsor Mr. Tommy Barnett, Mark worked with his rabbits, taming them and setting them up to be judged. On the day of the show Mark proudly placed his rabbits on the judging bench. The judge then informed Mark that his rabbits were not full-blood New Zealand Whites and that they would not be allowed to participate in the competition. Mark's first reaction? "I was madder than an old wet hen. This being my first show, I only wanted to see if I could do anything."

Showing animals was not the only area of competition at livestock shows. Shop projects be-

came a category at the county show that attracted much attention. Everything from an 18-foot flatbed trailer to a child's rocking airplane was displayed in competition.

Jeremy Hammond could vouch for the fact that Athens was not the only site for a livestock show. Jeremy, along with several other Cross Roads students, participated in the Calf Scramble at the Fort Worth Livestock Show. Jeremy succeeded in capturing a calf, and he received some notoriety when his photograph appeared on the front page of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Freshman Craig Arthus enjoyed the competition at the Houston Livestock Show, and the trip itself was a welcome respite from school. He claimed, "I really didn't do any good but had a blast going down there with Mr. Barnett."

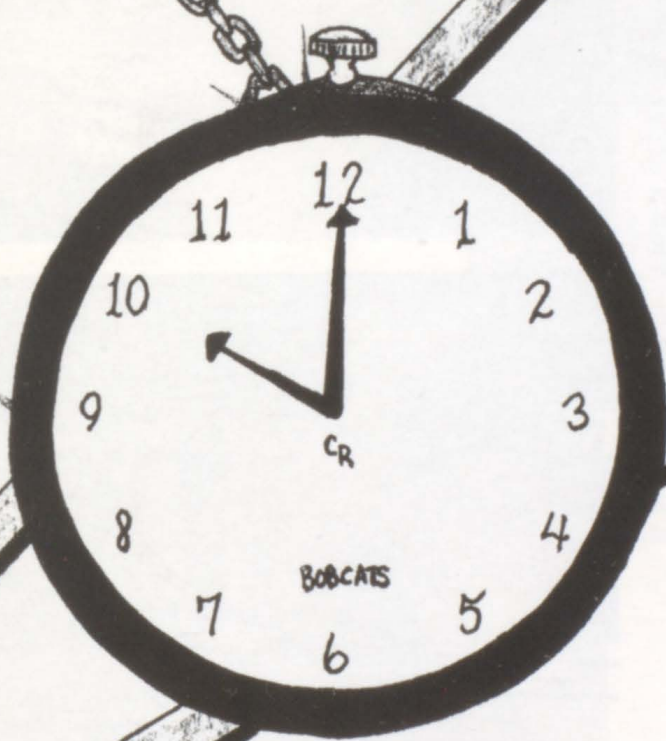
The benefits of involvement in livestock shows outweighed the preparation hassles for most students. The experience of competition and the fun of participation made most FFA members hungry for more.



Rewarded efforts (top) Andy Kinabrew shows off his first place shop projects trophy at the Henderson County Livestock Show.

Tending the livestock (above) Mark Adams practices setting up his rabbits for judging prior to the county show.

Spring



It's Got To Add Up

Juniors Raise Prom Dollars

Juniors were beginning to think if they ever saw another box of M&M's they would die. The students knew, however, that they had to raise the money for the prom. Junior sponsors — Sherri Cockrell, Jeff Thorpe, Dwain Reynolds, Lake Davis, and David Simmons — were kept busy with the responsibilities of keeping up with the funds. The junior class worked concession stands, manned booths at the Halloween Carnival, and sold programs at the football games to raise the necessary money.

The Booster Club paid junior class members \$25 a game to work football concession stands. Many students volunteered their Friday nights to earn funds for their activities. Angie Barnes laughed as she explained, "I guess I can fit this into my busy schedule." Football players, cheerleaders, and band members put in their time working junior high football concessions for their fair share.

The Halloween Carnival provided another opportunity for junior fundraising. Students frequented local businesses to collect donated prizes for the bingo game. Michele Wallis described how difficult this chore was: "I went everywhere and I only got one thing that was probably worth ten cents!" Glasses were also collected for the popular coin throw booth.

Juniors sold M&M's for months, hoping that this would mean many dollars towards their fair share. They drove the sponsors crazy asking them when the next shipment would be in. Their persistence paid off as juniors were financially in the black as prom time neared.

Reaping the benefits (above right) Marlin Lamb and Sherri Wallace enjoy the results of all their hard work as the music rocks at prom time.

Streamers and bows (right) Angie Barnes and Kristi Weaver cut endless streamers as the juniors transform the commons area into a classy scene for the prom.





The first prom ever held on campus was a grand affair. The decorations were beautiful and the music was great. The night was a success and everyone had a great time.

Airborne Sponsor Jeff Thorpe spent hours atop ladders and platforms positioning decorations for the first prom ever held on campus.



Sharing the fun Jeremy Hammond and Kristi Drummond share some prom moments with Crystal Newton and her date Shawn Ottaberry.

All for one Juniors Philip Darwin, Billy Carter, Beth Boykin, and Fawn Killman join forces to complete the prom decorations on the afternoon before the big event.



Prom-Goers Take Time To Enjoy

A Touch Of Class

You could walk down the halls and hear girls chattering about what their prom dress looked like. Guys were also discussing their attire for the evening. Girls worried about having time to get their hair fixed to perfection, while their dates were concerned about getting dressed in time to pick them up. Some girls had a difficult time choosing a prom dress because there were so many styles to select from. Guys had their own troubles finding tuxes to match their dates' dresses exactly.

Prom Week had arrived. Juniors hurried to complete final decorations Friday afternoon after school. Many sped off to beauticians as soon as their tasks were complete. When the final steps of preparation were finished, the students realized that the evening was coming together. Melanie Willingham admitted, "I was a little worried when I got home and only had a few hours to get ready. But once I got my hair finished and my dress on I felt better." After the guys got ready, they rushed to their dates' houses in time for dinner out. Then the rush

was on to return to the prom scene for the official Prom Pictures.

For the first time ever the junior class held the prom in the new high school auditorium. The idea was not too popular with the seniors at first. Karen Holder said, "We would like to be away from the school during our senior prom." But the seniors had not counted on the imagination and determination of the junior class. They transformed the auditorium into a black and white ballroom without any reminders of a school building. Senior Jenny Scoggin commented, "Ya'll really turned the school around. I couldn't even tell it was the school."

The DJ and light show dazzled the promgoers once they got over the shock of the classy atmosphere. A giant screen provided a means to view baby pictures of the seniors which had been solicited from their parents without their knowledge. All the students enjoyed reliving the memories that the photos evoked.

Even more memories were made on Prom Night itself.



A class act Eddy Hinds and Jana Templin rock to the beat as the prom finally becomes reality. Many girls opted for the comfort and style of a shorter prom dress.



A helping hand Billy Beasley follows the lead of Philip Darwin as he prepares to don the popular prom shades. The sunglasses were distributed to promgoers in lieu of the more traditional garter.



Swept away Senior Kim Mattingly is escorted around the dance floor by junior Justin Gunnels. Country music selections were popular with many students who attended the prom.



Sparkling evening Senior Jenny Scoggin shines with the excitement of Prom Night. Many couples chose black and white attire to mesh with the prom's theme, A Touch of Class.

Running For The Record

Bobcat Track Makes Great Strides

There he goes, flying over the hurdles. Who is that fellow? He's going faster than a speeding bullet, and he's leaping intermediate hurdles in a single bound. It's Bobcat hurdler Chris Coker.

Chris Coker, a top district contender, leaped his highest over the hurdles, sending him straight into regional competition. Among other regional qualifiers were Chuck Brown, John Holland, and Matt Holland, with Henry Mershon and Craig Arthus acting

as alternates. Each member of the track team gained invaluable experience. James Spears felt that track had taught him "to always do your best, and if you don't win, just know you did your best."

When one thinks of track competition, running usually comes to mind. There are many other events involved, however, including shotput, discus, long jump, and high jump. Sophomore Canyon Lindley especially enjoyed the shotput. He hopes to one day fill the

shoes of the Norwegian 1988 Olympic champion in the event, because in Canyon's eyes "the man is awesome."

With Coach Powell at their sides, these able bodies continued to hone their skills. Some team members, knowing this was to be their last track season, hoped to surpass their previous marks. With hard work and the determination of this select group, the Cross Roads name was placed on the regional scroll for one more year.



Reaching for stride John Holland strains to gain ground against the competition during his leg of the 1600m relay.

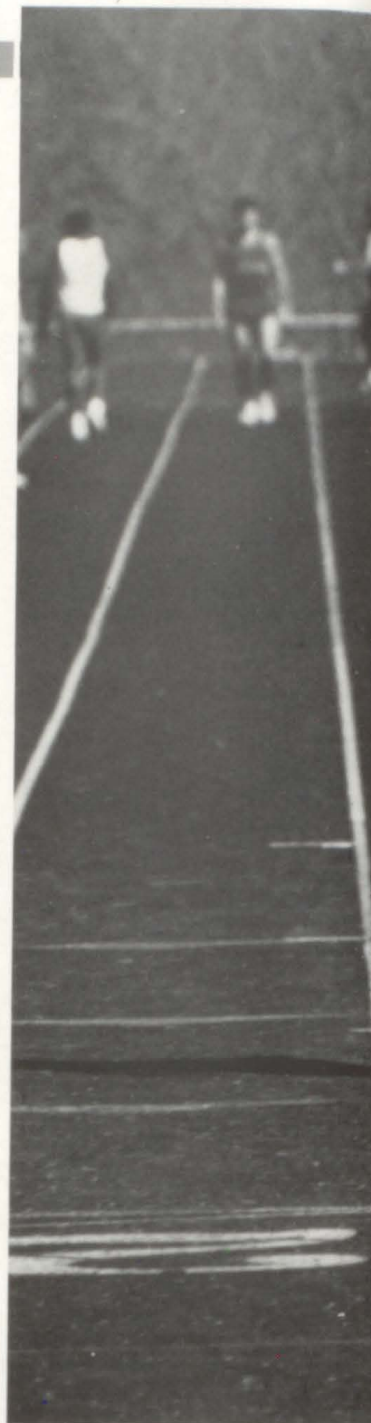


Bobcat Track (front row) James Spears, Phillip Kuhn, John Holland, Samuel Austin, Trent Parker, Craig Arthus, (back row) Canyon Lindley, Shane Pruitt, Chris Coker, Chuck Brown, Wes Black, Chris Quinn, Matt Holland, Coach Greg Powell

Regional Qualifiers (right) (front row) Henry Mershon, Chris Coker, Craig Arthus, (back row) Matt Holland, John Holland, Chuck Brown



Practice makes perfect (right) Matt Holland sweats it during relay team practice.



Varsity Boys

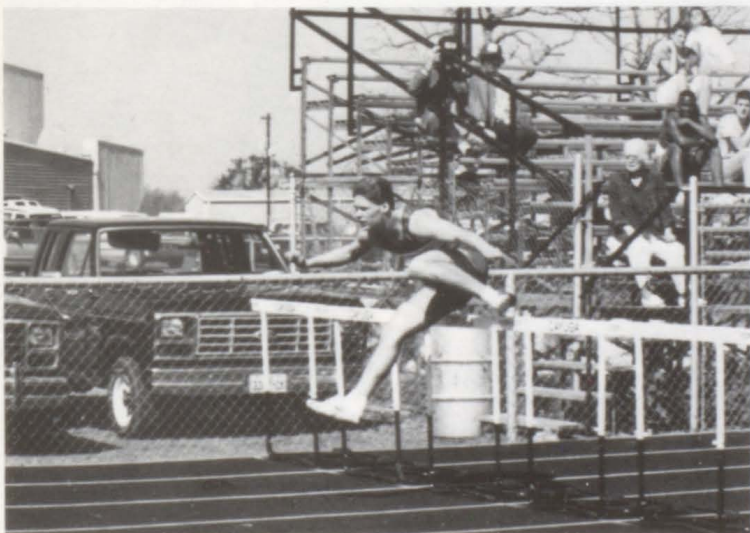


District Meet

Craig Arthus — 6th
300m Hurdles
Samuel Austin — 4th
3200m Run
Chuck Brown — 1st
800m Run, 2nd 1600m
Run, 2nd 1600m Relay
Chris Coker — 2nd
110m High Hurdles,
2nd 1600m Relay, 3rd
300m Hurdles, 6th High
Jump
Mark Henry — 6th
100m Dash
John Holland — 2nd
1600m Relay, 3rd 400m
Dash, 5th 200m Dash,
5th Long Jump
Matt Holland — 2nd
1600m Relay, 5th 800m
Run

Giving his all Craig Arthus puts evreything into his effort to capture ground during his leg of the 400m relay.

Reaching new heights Chris Coker comes back down to earth after vaulting the last of the hurdles on his way to second place in the 110m high hurdle event.



On Your Mark . . .

Ladycats Tracksters Push It To The Limit

The thrill of competition is compelling, and the agony of burning muscles to push yourself one stride more is part of the competitive sports of track and cross country.

Senior Jenny Scoggin advised, "If you are not born with the talent, then work and try hard — it may make up the difference." Track and cross country events are only won by using Jenny's advice to give everything on

every attempt. After all, not everyone is born with the ability to run away from the pack in a tight race.

Track and cross country meets were both competitive and rewarding for the Lady Bobcats. The cross country team, larger than ever this year, took the district championship by outrunning the competition at the Cain Center in Athens. In track, sophomore Leslie Dodd qualified for the Re-

gional meet in Palestine by taking first in the 1600m run on the district level. Alison Rhoades also made an impressive first showing as a JV trackster, garnering first place ribbons in four events.

Freshman Kristie Hall recalled the training for both track and cross country as "strenuous. It pays off when the time comes."



Like the wind Sophomore Alison Rhoades dashes down the track toward another first place finish.

Lady Bobcats Track (front row) Leslie Dodd, Allison Rhoades, Nicky Pruitt, (2nd row) Jenny Scoggin, Angel Bridwell, (back row) Jennifer Rogers, Kristie Hall, Geneva Hehmann



Varsity Girls



District Track

Geneva Hehmann — 5th Discus
Jennifer Rogers — 6th Discus
Jenny Scoggin — 3rd High Jump
Leslie Dodd — 1st 1600m Run, 4th 800m Run
Alison Rhoades — 1st High Jump, 1st 100m Hurdles, 1st 100m Dash, 1st 200m Dash
Angel Bridwell — 2nd 800m Run

Up and over Senior Jenny Scoggin follows the leaders in the hurdles at the district meet in Cayuga.



Cross Country Ladycats

(front row) Geneva Hehmann, (2nd row) Jennifer Rogers, Sandy Hart, Nicky Pruitt, (back row) Stephanie Upchurch, Kristie Hall, Alison Rhoades



Running Against Time

Junior High Tracksters Gain Confidence

The goal was every track star's dream — to take first place in their event. The athletes competing in junior high track tried their best to master this goal each time they competed.

At the district meet in Cayuga, the girls' track team took second place overall, while the boys captured the fourth place position. Led by Jennifer Pearce and Kourtney Marshall, the girls collected one first place, two

seconds, and three third place ribbons. Shane Morgan led the boys team which amassed four second places and one third place.

Junior high students joined track for many different reasons. Eighth grader Gary Holder stated, "I am in track because I enjoy sports, and I like to help the school in athletics." Jency Reese, a seventh grader, hoped to improve her running skills. Many of the stu-

dents felt that the workout they achieved during track practice might help them perform better in other athletic endeavors as well. Wind sprints and long-distance running could improve endurance in basketball, football, and other sports. Coach Greg Powell was well satisfied with the turnout for track and the success which the students found at each meet.

Beat the clock Eighth grader Kourtney Marshall pours on the steam as she races against the clock in a hurdles race at the district meet.



Junior High Lady Bobcats Track (front row) Julie Hall, Tonya Morton, Wendy Morgan, Kourtnie Airheart, Sissy Lee, Heather Martin, Maria Guevara, (2nd row) Mitch Farnham, Fonda Morton, Carrie Arthus, Carla Nash, Karoline Black, Jamie Morgan, Jennie Jock, Roxanne Handley, (back row) Jennifer Pearce, Stacy Harris, Nikki Wood, Kourtney Marshall, Staci Wilcox, Lisa Weaver, Jency Reese, Jennifer Mewbourn, Coach Kathy Guidry

Gr. High Boys



Boys District

Cory Barron — 3rd 400m Relay
 Raymond Goodman — 2nd 1600m Relay
 Shane Morgan — 2nd 100m Dash, 2nd High Jump, 2nd 1600m Relay, 3rd 400m Relay, 3rd Shotput
 Matt Reimer — 3rd 1600m Run, 3rd 800m Run, 3rd 400m Relay
 Kenneth Washington — 1st 800m Run, 2nd 1600m Relay
 Jerry Wethington — 2nd 1600m Relay, 3rd 400m Relay

Gr. High Girls



Girls District

Kourtne Airheart — 2nd Discus
 Karollne Black — 3rd 1600m Relay
 Julie Hall — 1st 3200m Run, 3rd 1600m Relay
 Sissy Lee — 2nd 1600m Run, 3rd 100m Hurdles
 Kourtney Marshall — 1st 800m Run, 3rd 400m Dash, 3rd 1600m Relay
 Heather Martin — 2nd Discus
 Jennifer Pearce — 2nd 400m Dash, 2nd High Jump, 3rd 1600m Relay
 Jency Reese — 3rd 1600m Relay



Eighth Grade Bobcat Track (front row) Gary Holder, Jerry Wethington, Cory Barron, Kris Bums, (back row) Jason Hart, Chris Martin, Raymond Goodman, Shane Morgan, Kenneth Washington, Clay Busby, Coach Greg Powell



Seventh Grade Bobcat Track (front row) Trey Norman, Jeff Wallace, Donnie McKinnerney, Lee Walker, Mitchell Collins, (back row) Bryan Hehmann, Brandon Willingham, Brian Lee, Joe Emmert, Shawn McCullough, Mike Ely, Danny Johnson, Coach Greg Powell

Grand Slam Home Run

Second-Year Baseball Program Bags District

It just wouldn't stop. No child's song would make the rain go away. Games were postponed for a week due to heavy rains, while Coach Reynolds tried driving a tractor over the field to get it into playing condition.

Finally the skies cleared and the final regular season games were played. The Bobcat baseball squad ended on top of the heap for their first District 18AA Championship.

The season had begun

with clear skies and a clear goal — to beat last year's record. John and Matt Holland started off on the right foot by pitching back-to-back no-hitters. John thought being teammates with his brother was "awesome. I know he can come through for me, and he does." Their pitcher/catcher duo proved important to the Bobcat offense.

The powerful team put opposing pitchers and fielders on their guard. Chuck Brown sent a hard

drive back to the Edgewood pitcher which knocked him off his feet. John Holland burned a hit into Edgewood's third baseman as well. The Bobcat batsmen left their mark on each opponent on their way to the bi-district game against Leonard. A disappointing loss, the game marked the end of a remarkable 19-4 season.

High five John Holland and Karl Butler celebrate another win on their way to the first Bobcat district championship in baseball.



Bobcat Baseball Team (front row) Donny Patterson, Mark Henry, Player of the Year John Holland, Craig Arthus, Karl Butler, (back row) Asst. Coach Jeff Thorpe, Wesley Boyde, Mike McCullough, Larry Chandler, Eddy Hinds, Chuck Brown, Wes Black, Rookie of the Year Matt Holland, Ric Ratley, Coach of the Year Dwain Reynolds



Ready to run John Holland sprints for first base after giving the ball a hard swipe in the game against Cayuga.



Varsity



Score	Opponent
7-2	Athens JV
28-3	LaPoynor
23-1	LaPoynor
11-0	Blooming Grove
4-2	Mildred
6-4	Cayuga
11-1	Trinidad
14-2	Balch Springs
11-5	Trinidad
3-4	Eustace
3-1	Kerens
10-0	Alba-Golden
6-5	Kerens
10-13	Cayuga
15-0	Edgewood
10-6	Eustace
7-4	Grand Saline
19-4	Alba-Golden
5-4	Cayuga
13-3	Edgewood
11-1	Eustace
4-14	Grand Saline
	Bi-District
3-9	Leonard
Season Record 19-4	



Tired but proud (above) Mike McCullough strides off the field after the team blanked Edgewood.

Safe! (left) Donny Patterson registers another run in the win against Edgewood.

It's Tee Time

Golfers Fight Weather And Courses To Prevail

It was an easy day out in the country. The birds were singing and the students were enjoying themselves. The wind was slight and the greens were in excellent condition. One golfer lined up off the teebox, took aim, and hit the ball hard, straight down the fairway. It was going to be the perfect game. Then suddenly a gust of wind blew the ball directly into a sand trap, and from that time on double bogeys were the special of the day.

Not everyone experienced this bad luck when

playing golf. Certainly not the Bobcat golf team. Matt Holland admitted that his most difficult task was "keeping my patience while trying to get the ball to go where I want it to go." For Trace Holder it was "not letting the people watching me mess up my concentration." Michelle Sartain, the only female golf team member, said, "The hardest thing for me is hitting the ball straight. My aim is terrible."

Playing golf took more than hitting a ball around haphazardly until it eventually landed in the hole.

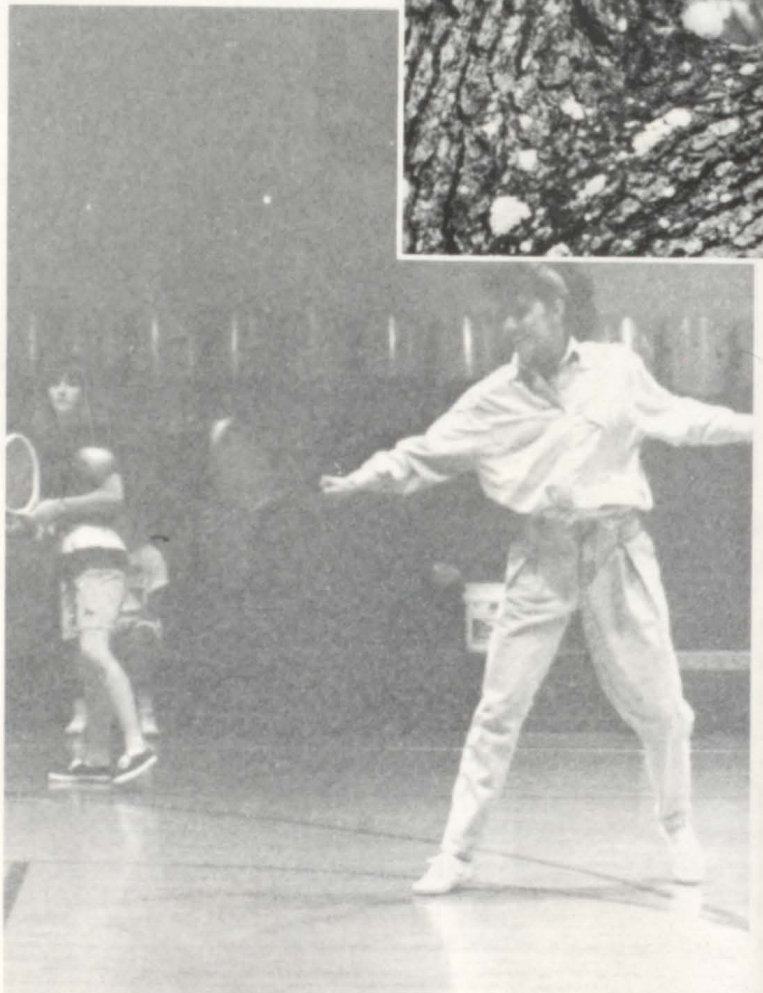
Practice, time, and concentration was required. Finding time for a round of golf after school presented a challenge to team members. Senior Michelle Sartain advanced to regional competition. Other golf team members played well in several local tournaments, including the district meet at Van Zandt Country Club.

Bad lie Freshman golfer Trace Holder ponders his predicament as he prepares for his next shot.



Bobcat Golfers (front) Matt Holland, Michelle Sartain, Trace Holder, (back) Chuck Brown, John Holland, Wes Black

Practicing returns Jennifer Rogers and Geneva Hehmann practice doubles tennis in the gym during inclement weather.





Men's Tennis (below) (front) James Spears, Canyon Lindley, Donny Patterson, (back) Eddy Hinds, Chris Coker

Women's Tennis (bottom) (front) Geneva Hehmann, Sandy Hart, Jennifer Rogers, (back) Jenny Scoggin, Michelle Sartain, Jana Templin



Golf



District

- 97 John Holland
- 116 Wes Black
- 118 Matt Holland
- 143 Michelle Sartain
- 149 Trace Holder

Regional

- 123-135 Michelle Sartain

Tennis



District Meet

- 3-6,3-6 Hinds
- 0-6,0-6 Patterson
- 0-6,0-6 Spears-Lindley
- 6-4,4-6,6-4,1-6 Black-Coker
- 1-6,2-6
- 4-6,4-6
- 0-6,0-6 Scoggin
- 0-6,0-6 Sartain
- 0-6,0-6 Templin-Hart
- 6-2,6-3 Rogers-Hehmann
- 1-6,0-6
- 6-1,6-0

Game, Match, and Set

Tennis Teams Try Early AM Practices To Excel

Some students thought it was a bad idea to show up at school at 8:15 AM. Some even wondered why they should stay around until 3:34 each day. Those students were shocked to realize that tennis team members showed up early enough to make it to the Athens tennis courts by 5:30 AM each

morning for practice. Being active that early in the morning was not a favorite for the tennis players, but the extra practice paid off during the meets. James Spears said, "I like the competition, and at the meets you get to meet a lot of people." Chris Coker enjoyed tennis because "it's a new sport for me

and I enjoy hitting that tennis ball."

When it came to forming a winning team, the Bobcat net squad put forth much effort and time. Getting in that extra practice at the crack of dawn was the only drawback.

Study Time Pays Off

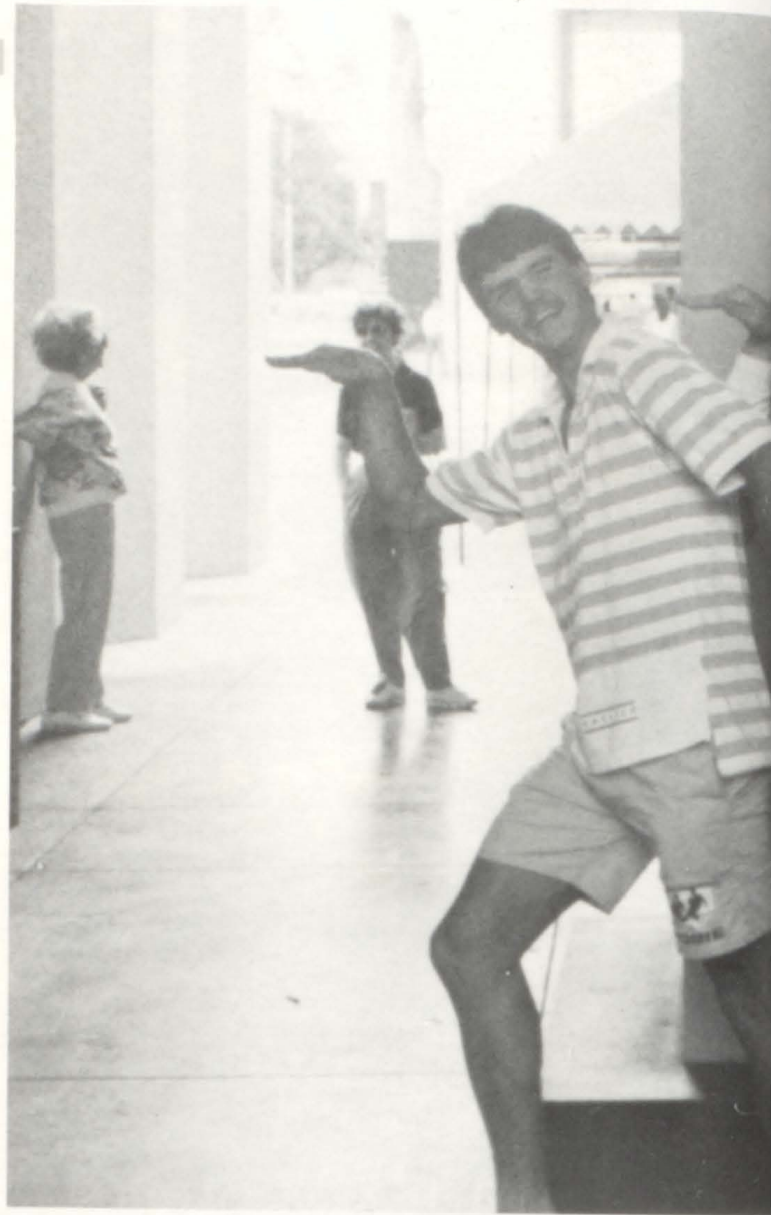
Good Grades Earn Rewards

Sometimes the struggle towards good grades seemed a never-ending one with little outside appreciation. However, a new program to reward academic excellence provided more motivation for outstanding students.

Since most of these students opted for the tougher academic track, the courses challenged them to maintain their grades. Lunches out and special excursions made the prospect of that straight A average an attractive goal. "It's something to work for!" said Stephanie Upchurch. The lunches provided a new atmosphere for top stu-

dents to get to know one another and to relax. The World History class joined them on a trek to the Ramses exhibit in Dallas as well. "Learning a little more about Egyptian culture was great," recalled Grant Dixon.

The excursions meant more than going out to eat for free. The trips broke up the monotony of the year and gave students a chance to enjoy the fruits of their labors. Scott Stone enjoyed "the laughter and fun of the trips and all the friendships that went with them." The new incentives earned the students a little respect and appreciation.



On the road again Chuck Brown does impressions for Matt Holland on the bus trip to Dallas.

No mas! Matt Holland, Chris Coker, and John Holland enjoy a satisfying meal during the trip to the Ramses exhibit.



Walk like an Egyptian (left) Chuck Brown and Chris Coker get in the mood for learning more about the past of Egypt at the Dallas Fair Park exhibit of the pharoah Ramses.



Known about town (above) A Honor Roll students pose below the Down Mexico Way sign honoring their achievements.

Chips ahoy! (below) Scott Stone, Matt Holland, Chuck Brown, and Craig Arthus chow down during a lunch out.



Number Sense . . . And More

Junior High And Elementary Students Hit UIL

When people think of competition, they all too often think solely of athletics. But in the Cross Roads Junior High and Elementary Schools, competition took on a new definition for some students — Literary UIL.

Practice made perfect when it came to these events. Often during the month of April one could walk down the halls and see students drilling themselves in Picture Memory, Number Sense, or Spelling, among other things. Fifth grader Sandi Elsom practiced for Picture Memory: "I studied hard and chewed on my fingernails until they were gone!" Anticipation

was growing to a fever pitch as the contest date of May 6th grew closer.

A few new events were added to the roster of activities. Dictionary Skills, Calculator Applications, and Science contests were among these. Carrie Arthus enjoyed the Science competition because it "showed what level of learning and competition I was ready for."

Contest sponsors added to the support provided by parents, teachers, and friends. Each participating student agreed that their sponsors helped them immeasurably. They gave class time for practice and gave hints for remember-

ing formulas or ideas. They provided shortcuts and were behind their kids 100 percent. "They kept saying 'You can do it, you can do it', so we did!" remembered Julie Hall.

Finally, May 6th arrived. Competition and the wait for results remained. Those results came in with a bang. A majority of those participating placed 6th or better. As a whole, the elementary team placed fifth, the intermediate team from fourth through sixth grade placed second, and the junior high team took second place.

Intermediate Literary UIL Team Dena Dent, Jenny Hardin, Karianne Wanek, Josh Hammond, Ben Calhoun, Pat Lowry, Amy Akers

Junior High Literary UIL Team (front row) Danielle Duke, Lee Walker, Bryan Hehmann, Donnie McKinemey, Jenny Jock, (2nd row) Matt Reimer, Cory Barron, Kourtnie Airheart, Julie Hall, Melissa Meador, Angela Crumrine, Carrie Arthus, Mitch Farnham, Cindy Barnes, (back row) Kenneth Washington, Clay Busby, Benji Loden, Jennifer Pearce, Melissa Johnston, Joe Emmert, Fonda Morton



U.I.L.

Junior High



District Placers

Kourtnie Airheart — 3rd Dictionary Skills
 Carrie Arthus — 3rd Spelling
 Clay Busby — 3rd Number Sense
 Julie Hall — 1st Dictionary Skills
 Donnie McKinnerney — 1st Listening, 2nd Modern Oratory
 Matt Reimer — 2nd Number Sense, 3rd Spelling
 Kenneth Washington — 3rd Calculator Application

U.I.L.

Elementary



District Placers

Ben Calhoun — 2nd Calculator Applications
 Deanna Dent — 2nd Oral Reading
 Sandi Elsom — 2nd Picture Memory
 Jenny Hardin — 2nd Ready Writing
 Pat Lowry — 1st Calculator Applications, 2nd Listening
 Karianne Wanek — 1st Ready Writing



Elementary Literary UIL Team (above) Shelly Anderson, Sandi Elsom, Valerie Barnes, Wendy Wanek, Chris Arthus, Jessica McKensie, Jade Lindley, Bo Marshall, Renee Aaron, Jennifer Hutchison

Junior High Literary UIL Team (left) (front row) Danielle Duke, Julie Hall, Kourtnie Airheart, Mitch Famham, Melissa Meador, (2nd row) Cory Barron, Matt Reimer, Donnie McKinnerney, Carrie Arthus, (back row) Kenneth Washington, Jennifer Pearce, Clay Busby, Benji Loden, Melissa Johnston, Bryan Hehmann, Lee Walker



Time To Reap The Rewards

Sports Banquet Sums Up Year

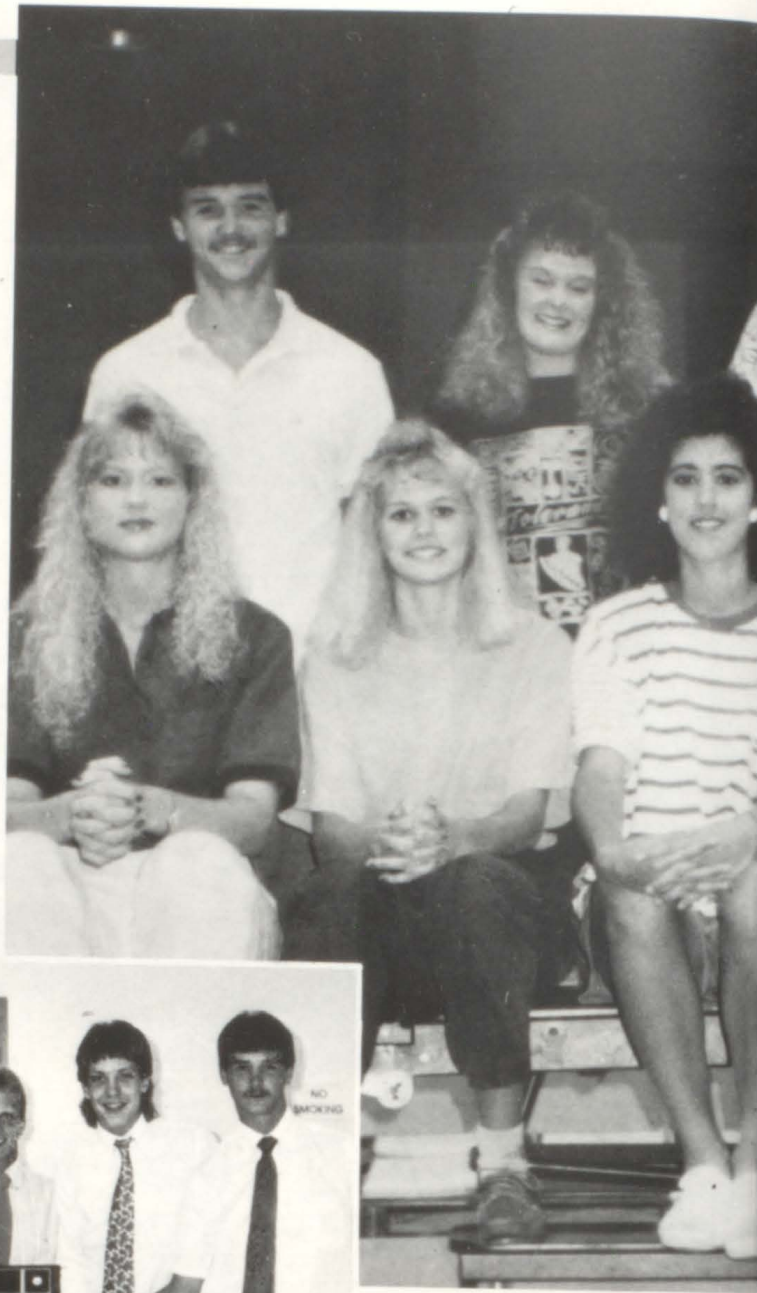
Due to careful preparation, the Sports Banquet was very successful. The marathon awards presentation to honor athletes began long before the actual event. Food was prepared, award recipients were chosen, and Baylor University's Jim Haller was retained as speaker. John Holland enjoyed his remarks, saying "I thought he was very funny with his jokes, and he ended the Sports

Banquet just right." Impressed with this group of athletes, Mr. Haller commented that "this is the first school that I've been to where so few students have received so many awards."

MVPs (right) (front row) Stephanie Upchurch, Basketball; Leslie Dodd, Track; Geneva Hehmann and Jennifer Rogers, Tennis; (back row) Chuck Brown, Football, Basketball, and Track; Michelle Sartain, Golf; Les Loden, Powerlifting

Basketball/Track Superlatives Samuel Austin, John Holland, Chuck Brown, Chip Crist, Chris Coker, and Eddy Hinds earned special recognition for their efforts.

Basketball/Track Superlatives (front row) Leslie Dodd, Jenny Scoggin, Geneva Hehmann, (back row) Siovhon Upchurch, Kim Mattingly, Jeanette Abbott, and Stephanie Upchurch made individual strides in their sports.



Celebration Time

Band Banquet Rounds Up Year

Celebration became the theme of the Band Banquet, as the entertainment group of band students played the song that has become a tradition for the event. Chris Quinn said, "I enjoy playing my drums on that song, since it is the only song we can get together in a

day for the banquet." Fawn Killman commented that "the entertainment improved a lot from last year and sounded great."

Musical talent wasn't the only item on display at the banquet. Awards for outstanding musicians and Band Boosters were distributed, as well

as certificates for students involved in the band program. Senior members received Band Booster scholarships. It was a time of celebration of a successful year.

Booster Booster Mrs. Connie Killman received special recognition for her support of the band program.



Band honors (left) Samuel Austin, Soloist; Natalie Coleman, Outstanding Section Leader; Jerry Wethington, Most Improved



Football Superlatives Les Loden, Shannon Bell, John Holland, Wes Black, Chuck Brown

Outstanding Band members (front row) Ben Calhoun, Amy Davis, Jenny Jock, (back row) Danielle Jones, Phillip Kuhn, Fawn Killman, Scott Stone

Relaxation Time

Seniors Cool Off In New Braunfels

The loud boom drew closer to the waiting seniors. What could that be at 6AM? Then Becky Myers' white Cavalier approached the parking lot. "What's up, kids?" she asked the group.

This was the day the seniors had worked for during their last two years in high school. The senior trip of 1989 had begun.

After the chartered bus arrived in New Braunfels, the seniors headed for the Schlitterbahn. Some chose to ride the rapids while others preferred working on their tans. As the day grew into evening, excitement — and appetites — grew as well as the group headed to the Magic Time Machine for dinner. Lisa Alexander wondered what her father would think about her two-daquiri dinner, even without the alcohol. The spontaneous potty patrol also brightened the night.

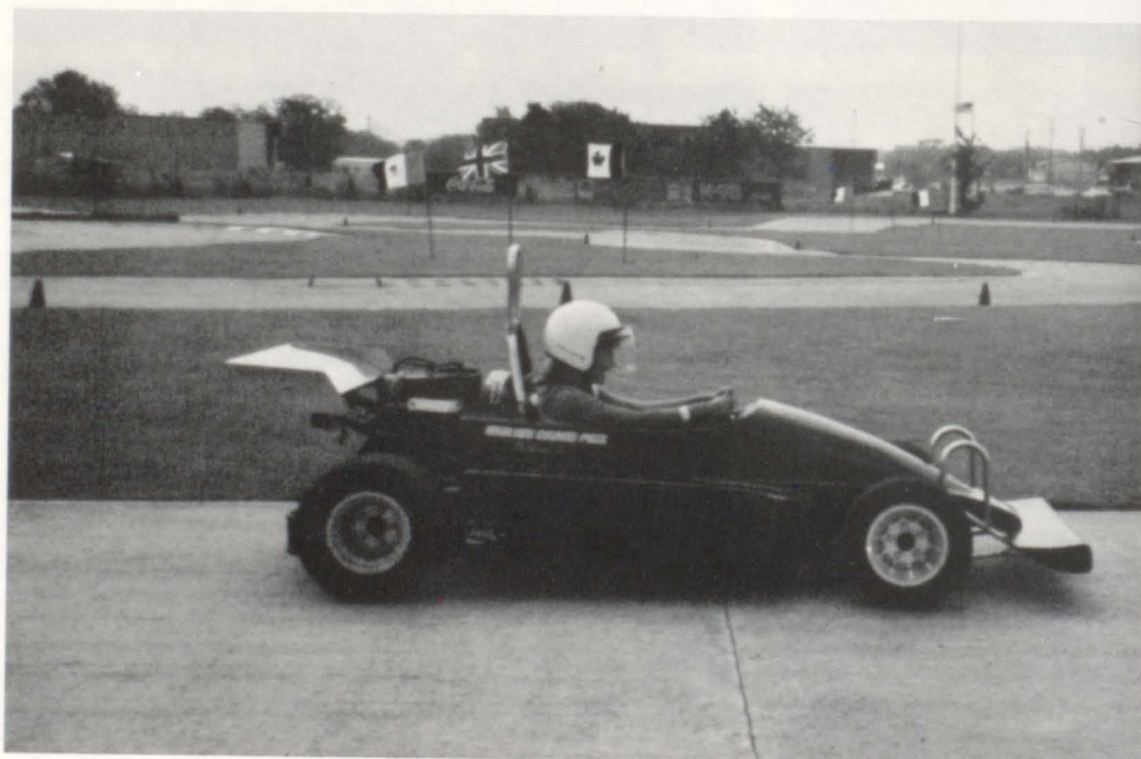
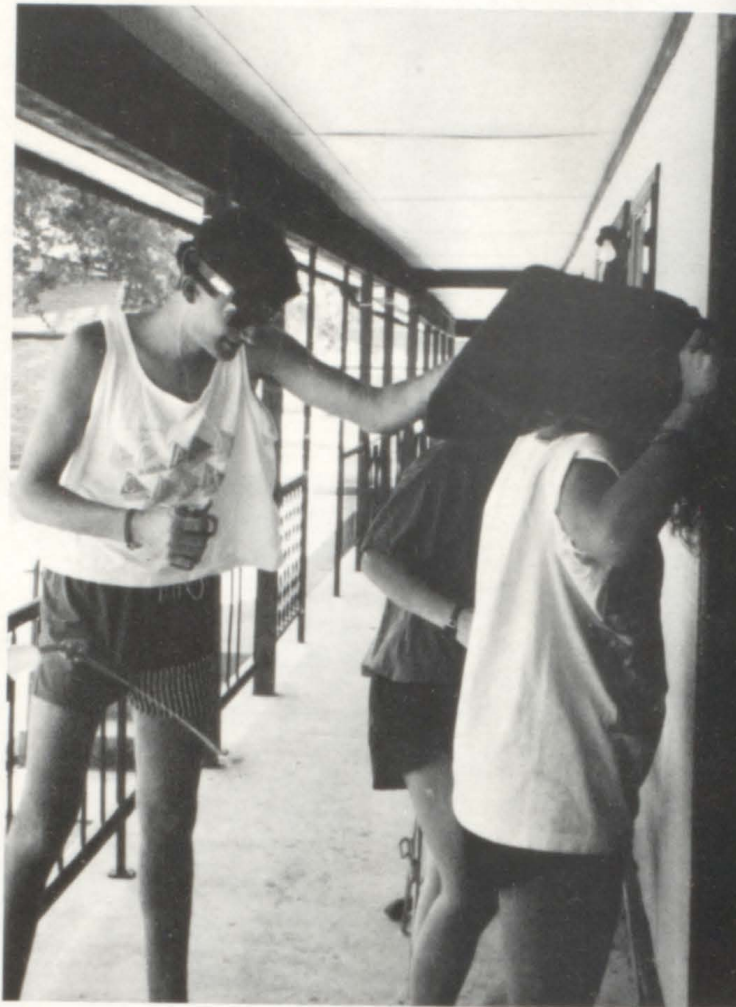
The night passed quickly, and anxious seniors arose bright and early to enjoy another day of escape. Malibu Raceway held more thrills for those who loved the feel of speed.

Start your engines Jenny Scoggin takes the wheel at Malibu Grand Prix. The illusion of great speed gave a rush to most drivers.

Mr. Gatti's pizza filled the need for sustenance as the seniors steeled themselves for an afternoon of bowling.

Realizing this would be their last trip together, the students laughed together and bonded closer than ever. Tired but happy seniors pulled into Stagecoach Inn for the final meal on the trip home. Some slept on the last leg back to Cross Roads, while others reminisced about the trip that had passed so quickly. The seniors returned feeling that the trip had been everything they had expected.

Assume the position Shayne Surls corners Lorie Buchinger and Jenny Scoggin as the wet and wild antics begin at the Schlitterbahn.





Mammy? (above) A startled Trista Brashear is serenaded by a costumed waiter at the Magic Time Machine.



Time to recoup Andrea Burnett relaxes in her hotel room after a day full of activities.

On the road again (left) Si-ovhan Upchurch and Lisa Alexander become part of the famous Potty Patrol while feasting at the Magic Time Machine.

Time To Move On

Scholarships Follow Seniors

They are on the road, headed out of state for college. Valedictorian John Holland and football standout Les Loden received scholarships that made the trip beyond state boundaries the right choice for them. John won an academic scholarship to study engineering at Louisiana Tech, while Les turned down a bid from East Texas State to play football for Emporia State in Kansas.

While most graduating seniors opted for a school closer to home,

John and Les weighed the pros and cons before accepting their scholarship offers. For John the decision meant that "I can't run home every weekend." For homesick students, this would be a drawback. But John still looked forward to college: "I want to meet new people and learn to do stuff on my own, and get a good education."

Long gone Scholarships in hand, John Holland heads off to Louisiana Tech as Les Loden goes north to Kansas' Emporia State.

Band Booster Scholarships

The Band Booster Club made cash awards for college to (front) Wesley Boyde, Lorie Buchinger, Natalie Coleman, (back) Samuel Austin, Danielle Jones, and Jennifer Metcalf.



Presidential Academic Fitness Recipients were (front) Andrea Burnett, Cindy Bridwell, (back) Jennifer Metcalf, Samuel Austin, Wes Black, and John Holland. Students honored achieved 85% or above on standardized achievement tests.

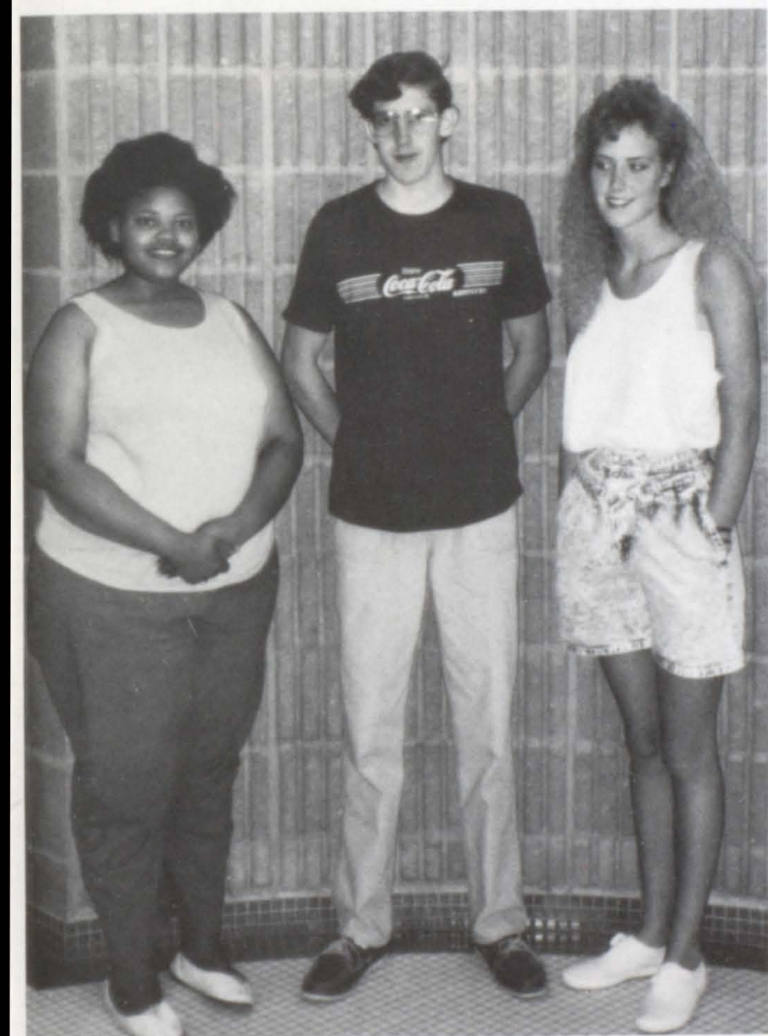




TVCC Scholarships (above) Jennifer Metcalf, Samuel Austin, Chuck Brown, and Michelle Sartain each received scholarship awards from Trinity Valley Community College. Jennifer and Chuck received Rotary Club scholarships as well.



Booster Club Honors (left) Lorie Buchinger and Chuck Brown were awarded scholarships from the Cross Roads Booster Club. Chuck also received a certificate of achievement from the Army by scoring in the top 6% on the ASVAB tests.



Governor's Recognition Award John Holland, Andrea Burnett, and Samuel Austin achieved high levels of academic achievement to gain special recognition from Governor Bill Clements. John was also named to the All-State Academic Team and became a Commended Scholar. Andrea received a Henderson County A&M Club scholarship towards her Aggie education.

Scholarship Winners Natalie Coleman captured the Henderson County Black History Committee Scholarship, Samuel Austin won the WalMart Scholarship, and Trista Brashear earned the Kinabrew Memorial Scholarship.

Valedictorian

John Holland

1985-86

Varsity Football
Varsity Basketball
Track Regional Qualifier
Golf Regional Qualifier
Student Council
Beta Club
A Honor Roll
American History Award
Computer Science Award
Spanish Award
Algebra I Award

1987-88

Varsity Football
Varsity Basketball
Track
Baseball Captain, MVP
Golf Regional Qualifier
Student Council VP
FCA President
Beta Club
A Honor Roll
UIL Regional Qualifier
English III Award
Geometry Award
Drafting Award

1986-87

Varsity Football
Varsity Basketball
Track
Golf Regional Qualifier
Student Council
FCA VP
Beta Club
A Honor Roll
UIL Regional Qualifier
Spanish II Award
Algebra II Award

1988-89

Varsity Football Captain
Varsity Basketball Captain
Track Regional Qualifier
Baseball Captain, MVP, Player of Year
Golf
Student Council VP
FCA President
Beta Club VP
A Honor Roll
UIL Regional Qualifier
Government Award
Physics Award
Trig/PreCal Award
Governor's Recognition Award



Salutatorian

Samuel Austin

1985-86

Varsity Basketball
Track
Beta Club
Band Section Leader
UIL Regional Qualifier

1987-88

Varsity Basketball
Beta Club
Band Section Leader
UIL Regional Qualifier
One-Act Play State Qualifier

1986-87

Varsity Basketball
Beta Club Sergeant-at-Arms
FCA
Band
UIL Regional Qualifier
Algebra II Award

1988-89

Varsity Basketball Captain
Track
Band President
Band Section Leader
Beta Club Reporter
UIL Regional Qualifier
Economics Award
Governor's Recognition Award



Mr. and Miss CRHS

John Holland

*Jenny
Scoggin*



Bobcat Award

Chuck Brown

Jenny Scoggin

Number One In Their Fields

Lippert Leads Super Students

Experiments, school during the summer, and skipping her sophomore year were all part of Kori Lippert's struggle for excellence.

Eager to explore the world of science, Kori forfeited a month of her summer vacation to participate in the National Science Foundation Young Scholar Program at Southwest Texas State University. One of only 26 Texas youths invited to attend, Kori received the Distinguished Writing Project in Cell Biology as a reward for her efforts in that field. Kori completed the summer program by performing a set of individual experiments of her choice. Kori's personal project was then

submitted to the National Science Foundation.

To reach her goal of graduating in three years, Kori received credit for several courses through exam, which placed her in tougher classes with older students. Kori felt she was "coping decently for somebody in my position." She credited Counselor Mrs. Donna Holmes for helping to "keep me sort of sane. Not sane, because I wouldn't be doing this if I was."

Young scientist (right) Young Scholar Kori Lippert considers herself a scientist in the making.



English honors Trista Brashear, English IV; Tina Morrison, English III; Matt Holland, English I; Ricky Tigert, English II



Elective honors Julia Verbeek, Home Ec.; Joanna Sloat, Computer Science; James Spears, Theater Arts; Scott Stone, Spanish



Social Studies awards Tina Morrison, World History; Matt Holland, U.S. History; John Holland, Government; Samuel Austin, Economics

All-A Honor Roll (front) Craig Arthus, Andrea Burnett, Matt Holland, John Holland, (back) Michelle Sartain, Scott Stone, Samuel Austin



Math standouts John Holland, Trigonometry/Pre-Calculus; Matt Holland, Algebra I; Fawn Killman, Geometry; Scott Stone, Algebra II



Woodmen Award (above) Angel Bridwell received American History recognition.

Science whizzes (left) John Holland, Physics; Craig Arthus, Physical Science; Fawn Killman, Chemistry; Kori Lippert, Biology



Business winners Beth Boykin, Business Communications; Kristi Wood, Office Procedures; Tina Morrison, Shorthand; Stephanie Upchurch, Typing I and Shorthand



Head Of The Class

Arthus And Others Lead Pack

Rewards awaited those elementary and junior high students with the perseverance to balance academics, athletics, and outside interests. Many received honors in specific grade levels or academic areas. Duke University singled out seventh grader Carrie Arthus for greater recognition.

Carrie's very high achievement test scores qualified her to take part in Duke University's

search for talented young minds. In February she took the ACT college entrance exam. Imagine having the scores to be accepted at a university as a seventh grader! Duke will follow her progress through her high school years in its effort to interest young minds in higher education.

On her way (right) Carrie Arthus is spotlighted by Duke University as a high academic achiever.



8th Grade Merit Awards Matt Reimer, Science; Jennifer Pearce, History; Julie Hall, Math; Jennifer Mewbourn, English

7th Grade Merit Awards Lee Walker, English; Karoline Black, Math; Mitch Farnham, History; Cindy Barnes, Science





6th Grade Merit Awards Kari-
anne Wanek, History; Jennifer
Hardin, Math; Pat Lowry, Sci-
ence; Josh Hammond, English



Outstanding Athletes (front)
Matt Reimer, Jennifer
Mewbourn, Cory Barron, Cissy
Lee, Wendy Kinabrew, Kourtney
Airheart, Julie Hall, Wendy Mor-
gan, Maria Guevara, Melissia
Meador, (back) Jennie Jock,
Jennifer Pearce, Kourtney Mar-
shall, Gary Holder, Raymond
Goodman, Clay Busby, Ken-
neth Washington

**Outstanding Elementary
Students** (front) Jennifer
Harmon and Jennifer Camp-
bell, 1st Grade; Cody Reynolds
and Michelle Westmoreland,
2nd Grade; Chana Williford, 3rd
Grade; (back) Shanda Adams,
3rd Grade; Danny Groom and
Charles McCarty, 4th Grade;
Chris Arthus and Jessica Mac-
Kenzie, 5th Grade



Beginning Of The End

Graduation Realities Set In

Remember the first time you went to school? You were scared and confused about this new adventure. There were new people to meet and new challenges to accept almost daily. Well, it's all over now for the Class of 1989. What do you do now that your sheltered school days are over?

Planning for the future was difficult for many seniors, but some knew where they would be headed. Samuel Austin envisioned himself in the booming Metroplex of Dallas: "I'll earn about \$60,000 a year as a systems analyst and drive a Ferrari."

Other seniors enjoyed a more laid back approach to their futures.

Five years from now, Cindy Bridwell plans to be relaxing on the beaches of Galveston. Her priorities included college, herself, and her eventual T-bird.

Perhaps migrating north would be an option for some seniors. Natalie Coleman set goals for herself which include living in Washington D.C. and working as an Xray technician. Her goldfish would probably get the best of care there.

Getting away from the pressures of high school life seemed a popular approach. Lisa Alexander thought Australia might be a good place to raise a family. Clint Sorrell had dreams of the high society life while making lots of money on the rodeo

circuit. Chasing women in his pickup truck might not be the highest of aspirations, but his dreams were at least his own.

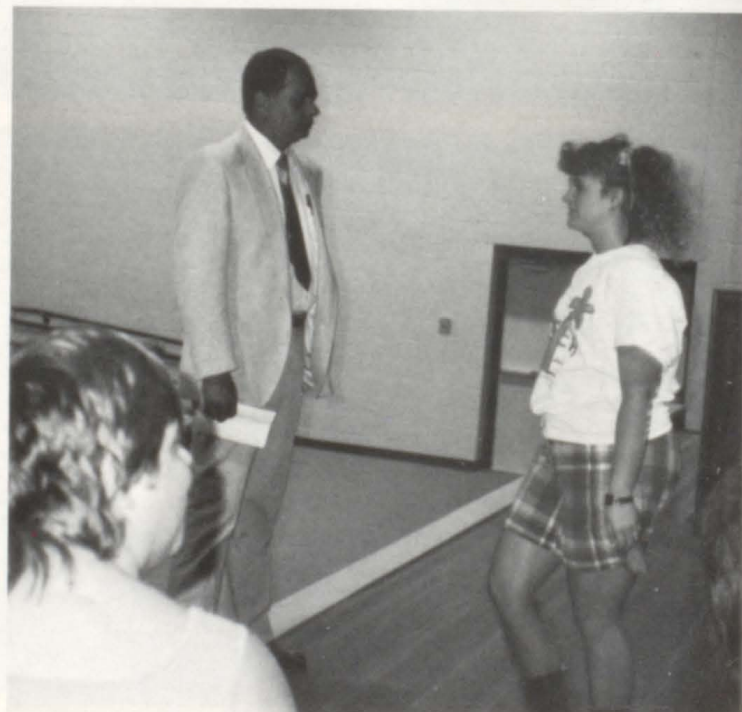
As the seniors approached their final days at Cross Roads, many felt the future was a scary unknown. For years they had been sheltered in a small school in a small community surrounded by people who cared and supported them. Some students would be leaving this secure nest rather quickly to enter their own futures. They had been warned about the Real World — now they would experience it for themselves.

Not quite ready (right) Mr. Reynolds tries to convince senior Chuck Brown that graduation time is indeed upon him.



Senior kick Larry Chandler, Lori Morgan, April Killman, Slovhan Upchurch, Jeanette Abbott, Jenny Scoggin, Shayne Surls, Chris Kirkpatrick, Clint Sorrell, Michelle Sartain, Karen Holder, Becky Myers, and Lisa Alexander show off boots and shorts worn by the seniors on their last day.

Practice makes perfect Mr. Lewis looks on as Michelle Sartain practices graduating on the eve of the big event.



Seniors' Final Countdown

5/1/89 — The final month begins. TVCC Honor Band concert, cram for college English exam

5/2 — College English finals!

5/4 — Sports Banquet, Rotary Club scholarship luncheon

5/5 — Begin work on college English research paper due next week, take college History exam

5/6 — Forget that research paper, go to Lorie Buchinger's graduation party instead

5/8 — Frantically work on research paper due tomorrow

5/9 — Skip all other classes to type all day on research paper

5/10 — Make list of every known relative for graduation invitations

5/13 — Beta Club party for seniors

5/15 — Graduation two weeks away, definitely work on invitations

5/16 — Movie time in concurrent classes

5/18 — Awards Ceremony, Band Banquet

5/19-20 — Senior Trip to New Braunfels, no sleep, great break from classes

5/21 — Recover from senior trip by sleeping all day

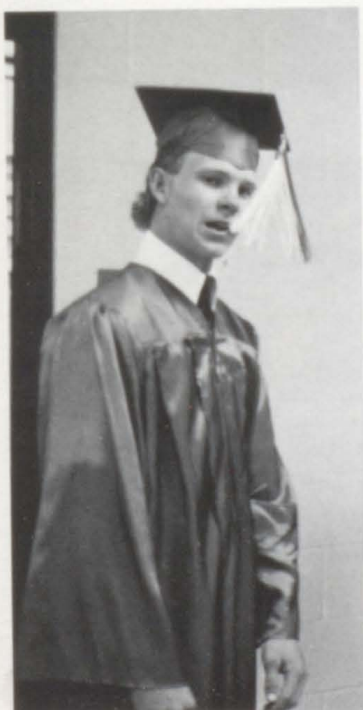
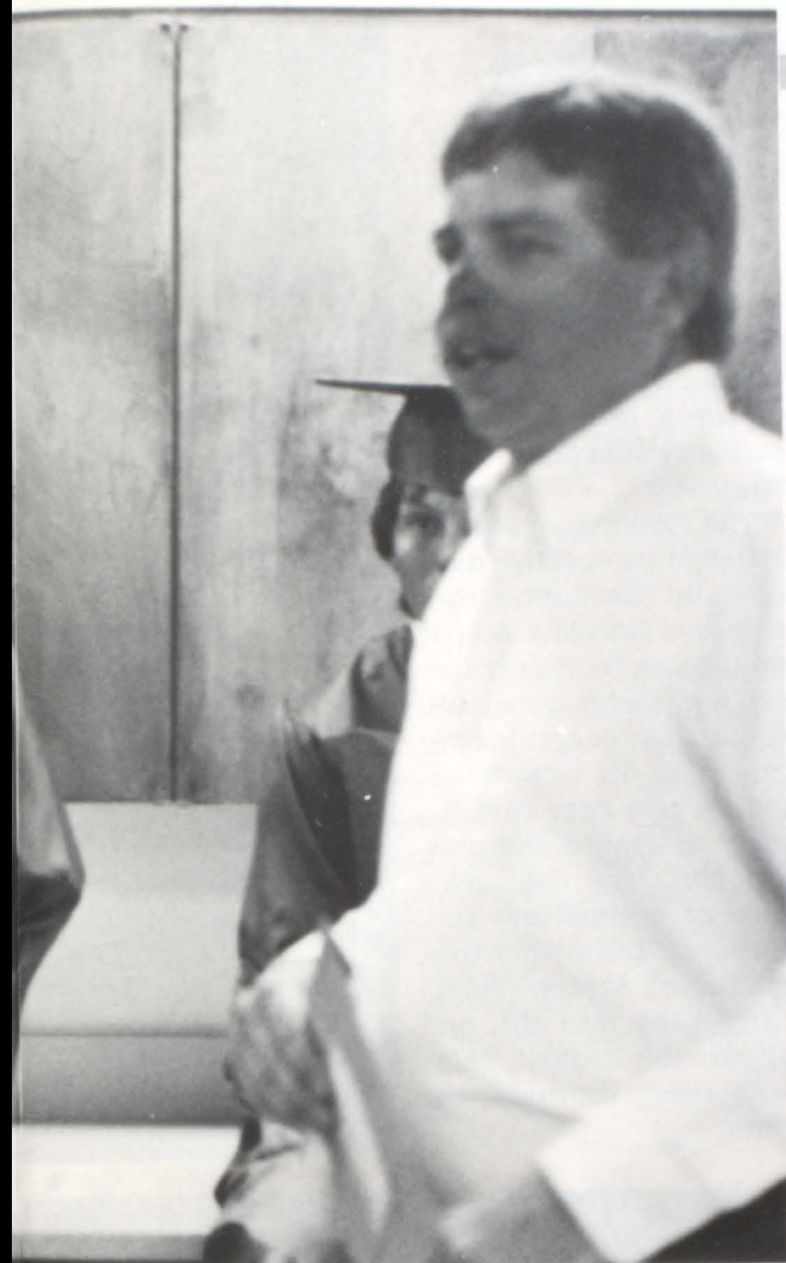
5/22 — The Last Week. Finally send graduation invitations

5/23 — Still recovering from senior trip, study for six weeks tests if the mood strikes

5/24 — Listen to class song and cry, realize there are only 3 days left

5/26 — Graduation practice, relax and sun-burn at R.H. Lee Park

5/27 — Graduation at last!



Nervous but ready Chad Lee chews his tassel as he waits for the go-ahead from Ms. Loven to line up for graduation exercises.



Mental preparation April Killman, Kim Mattingly, and Jenette Abbott get emotionally ready for graduation. Some seniors were a bit nervous about the ceremony which played before a auditorium packed with friends and family.

One Moment In Time

Seniors Share Stage One Last Time

Seniors started arriving long before the 6:45 deadline. They donned the long green gowns, and mortise boards were adjusted and pinned into place. Excitement and some measure of nervousness filled the air. Top graduates read and reread their speeches to avoid any last-minute stage fright. At last that final march began.

Just the thought of graduating had meant days of tearful hugs and final goodbyes for the seniors and their friends. Many underclassmen shared the sadness of losing their older buddies to the Real World beyond Cross Roads High School. Karen Holder ad-

mitted that she would miss her friends the most.

Tears started flowing long before the actual ceremony took place. As sponsors tried out the new sound system with a recording of their class song, many seniors found themselves overcome with emotion. Strangely enough, few tears were shed when the last six weeks test was completed.

Graduation meant an end to familiar events and surroundings. Michelle Sartain commented that "I've learned that my best friend isn't going to buy my groceries." Mr. Lewis' speeches would be missed, as would the

watchful care of teachers and friends. The feel of the building itself would never be the same after that walk from the stage, diploma in hand. The seniors would now be ex-students.

The ceremony marked a shift in perspective that was not lost upon the seniors. Nervous steps on the way to their place on the stage were followed by tearful embraces as the class song played one final time to mark the end of the ceremonies. The final gesture of enthusiasm for the future came when the graduated seniors flung their caps into the air above the crowd. This was their moment in time.



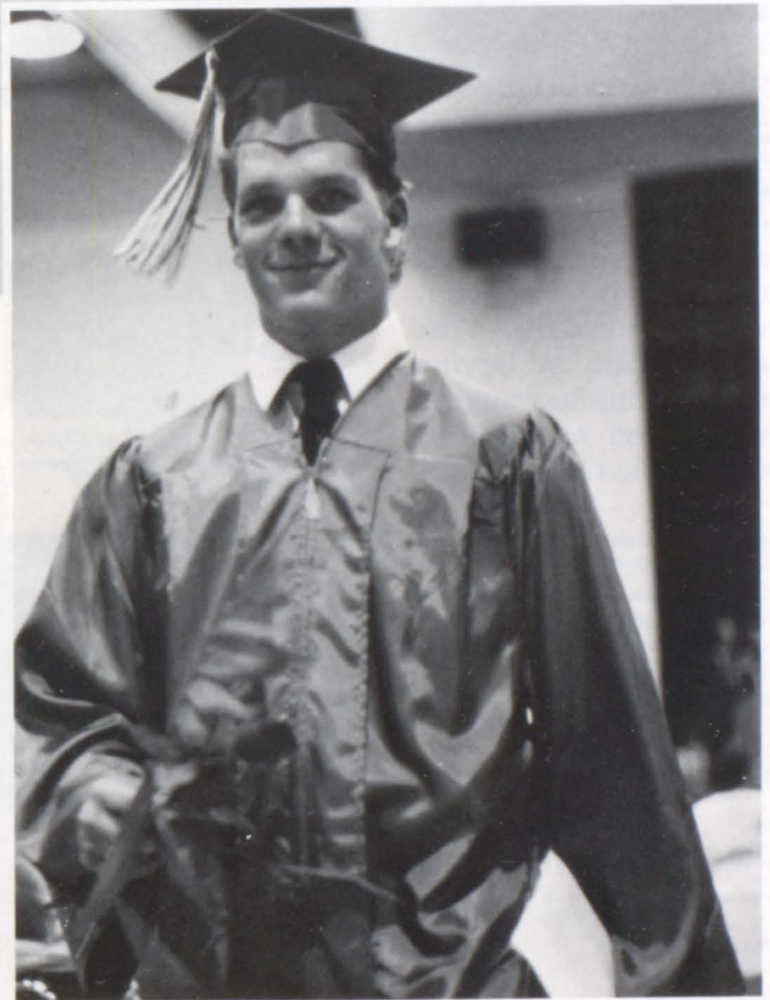
Long wait Shayne Surls and Siovhon Upchurch await Mrs. McKinnerney's cue to begin their walk toward the stage to join their fellow graduates.



Sea of embraces Mrs. Stone shares the emotion of the moment with new ex-student Lorie Buchinger.

To Look
for

Friends to the end Larry Chandler, Kristi Wood, and Donny Patterson enjoy the feeling of actually owning that high school diploma.



Emotionally charged Tears run unchecked as Stephanie Upchurch congratulates Chuck Brown.

Successful stride Karl Butler can't contain his pleasure as he leaves the stage a CRHS graduate.

No Time To Look Back

8th Graders Set Sights

Some people said the entire ceremony should be canceled. It was a vestige of the past, of a time when few people graduated from high school. It was a reminder of the days when Cross Roads students were forced to travel to another locale to finish their education beyond the eighth grade.

To the participating eighth graders, graduation ceremonies were a link to that past and a promise of the future. Students felt a sense of accomplishment for the academic levels they had gained, as well as a sense of anticipation of the larger world they would soon enter. The satisfaction at having made it thus far would be short-lived as they accepted the challenges of

high school classes for next year.

The ceremony also served as a declaration of the achievements of the eighth grade class of 1989. Students were recognized for their involvement in various extracurricular activities. Awards and honors were described before the enthusiastic group of parents and friends. The event may not have held as much significance as similar ceremonies of the past, but these students were proud of their accomplishments and ready to face the new demands that high school would throw their way.

One phase done Stephanie Baker gladly accepts her diploma from School Board President Steve Airheart.

Final recognition Angela Crumrine, Patsy Chandler, Clay Busby, Shanna Brownlee, and Chasity Brown are presented to the audience as members of the graduating eighth grade class of 1989.





Giving thanks Mr. McKinney looks on with approval as Matt Reimer gives the invocation to begin the graduation exercises.



In charge Mrs. Carolyn Kuhn directs eighth graders as practice for the graduation ceremony begins.



On the way Surrounded by supportive family and friends, Jerry Weisinger strides down the aisle to take his place with fellow graduates.

Top students Top achievers in the eighth grade class are Salutatorian Julie Hall and Valdictorian Jennifer Pearce.



Are You My Mother?

Kindergarteners Aid Chick In Search For Family

Lost in a world full of unfamiliar larger creatures, the newly-hatched chick was having a difficult time finding his true home. The confused chick questioned each animal it encountered, "Are you my moth-

er?" Finally the chick was reunited with its mother the hen.

The kindergarten classes combined great costuming and diligent practice to portray the adventures of the lost chick. Lines were learned

and positions on stage were memorized. Stagefright was overcome on the night of the performance. Kindergarten teachers Mrs. Marion Silvey and Mrs. Bobbie Killpatrick coached their youngsters for weeks un-

til the presentation reached near perfection. The audience of parents and friends were enthralled by the performance of these youngest Cross Roads students.



Finally found (right) Chick Pam Boothe thanks Matthew Morton for his aid in finding Mother Hen Dawn Harris.

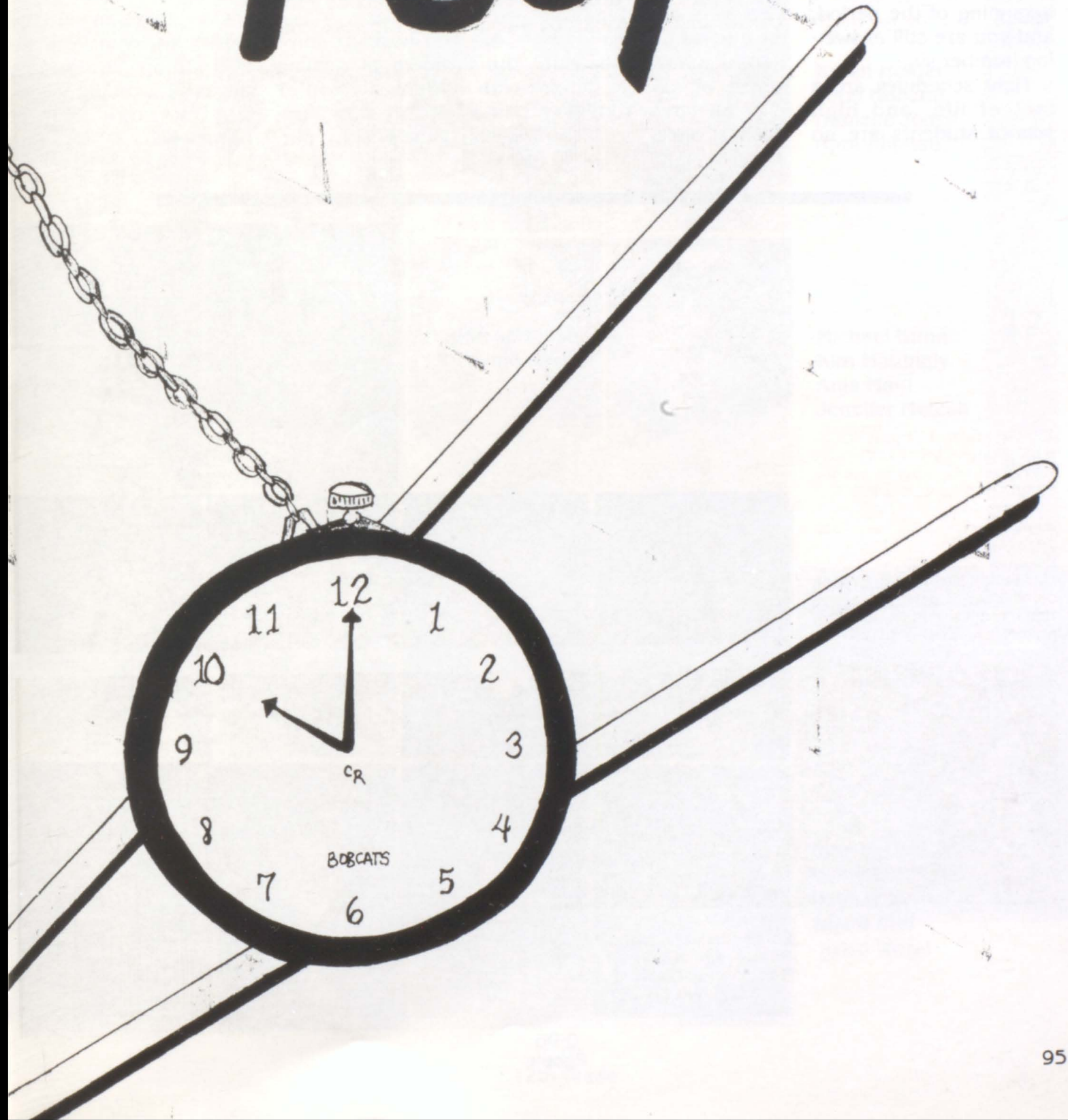
Seeking home (below) Skunk Jessica Price, Chick Pam Boothe, Kitten Derrick Lewis, and Bunny Michael Green look on as Skunk Alrick Harris questions the Caterpillar Christopher McCloud.



Forest friends (right) Bunny Michael Green, Flower Sarah Mershon, and Bumblebee Misty McClintock aid the chick in its search.



People



With Activities, Work, and Studies, Students Find

Time's Running Out

Pressure! That unpleasant feeling we have all experienced at one time or another. It's ten minutes until your government class. You have thirty review questions due at the beginning of the period, and you are still answering number six.

Tight schedules are a fact of life, and high school students are no

exception. Time must be dealt with in order to cope. Students participate in so many activities that homework is usually put off or forgotten. Clubs, organizations, sports, Band, class activities, jobs, and friends all have to be juggled in order to maintain a faint sense of sanity. Often they all come tumbling down at once.

"There's no time to study," complains senior Cindy Bridwell. Her solution to finding time to do homework? Her second period class. Most students are so active that they are unable to stay on top of things.

Do you want to solve the problem of dealing with a tight schedule? Natalie Coleman suggests, "If the positive out-

weighs the negative, then I continue what I'm doing. If they don't, I panic and cram." John Holland's idea is a bit more calm: "Roll with the flow, plan ahead, and set priorities."

Everything eventually works out, even if you are still doing Thursday's physics lab on the following Tuesday. Happy homework!

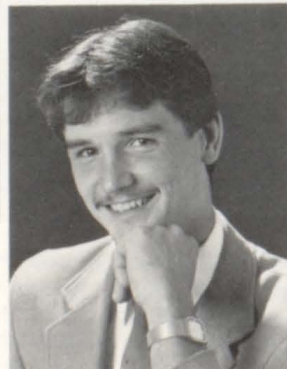
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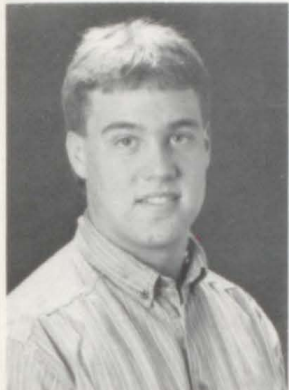
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Michael Kuhn
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Anja Maul
Jennifer Metcalf

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Lora Mitchell
Lori Morgan
Donny Patterson
Michelle Sartain



Jenny Scoggin
Shayne Surls
Siovhan
Upchurch
Kristi Wood

Long Ago And Far Away

Home Seems Distant To Exchange Student

Imagine yourself traveling through foreign towns, not knowing what to expect next. You're speaking a foreign language and having to rely only on the English you learned in school. Julia Verbeek knows this feeling well.

Julia, an exchange student from Krefeld, Germany, has traveled over thousands of miles to learn the customs and language of America. "When I was with my parents at the airport, I was

crying a lot," expressed Julia. She knew leaving her parents was a necessity in order to achieve the fulfillment of becoming a foreign exchange student.

Julia was destined for a small Texas town called Cross Roads. Here she met her new family, the Reynolds, and a little school she would soon call home. Julia felt the trip itself was exciting.

She gradually moved into the Cross Roads swing and made more

friends than she had expected. Fawn Killman explains that "Julia is a great person and I'll miss her when she leaves." She has had the same effect on her host family. Math teacher Dwayne Reynolds felt that having a girl in their home has been a positive experience for each member of his family. He explained that his sons have "gone from being boys to having to know a little about girls' feelings."

Julia's expectations of

her new found land are somewhat different from the reality. She stated that "in Germany, we eat a lot of vegetables. We don't have a lot of french fries. We have no McDonald's."

Julia's short stay in America has been an experience of a lifetime. On a final note, she stated, "I came to learn and meet other people, and it's been really fun."

Reaching out Student Council president Wes Black presents Julia Verbeek with a Cross Roads Beach Club T shirt to welcome her to the student body.



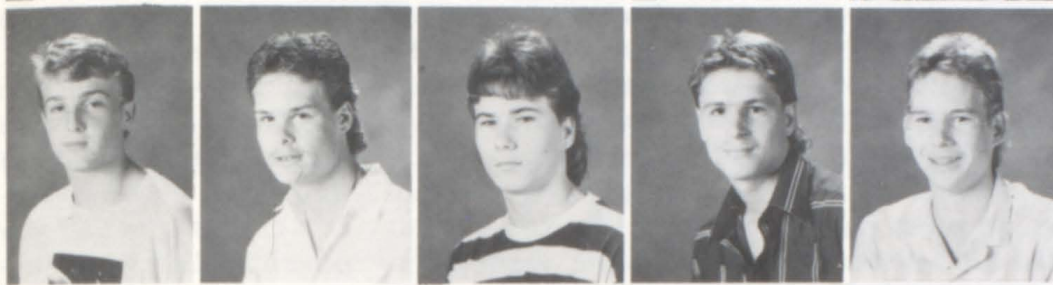
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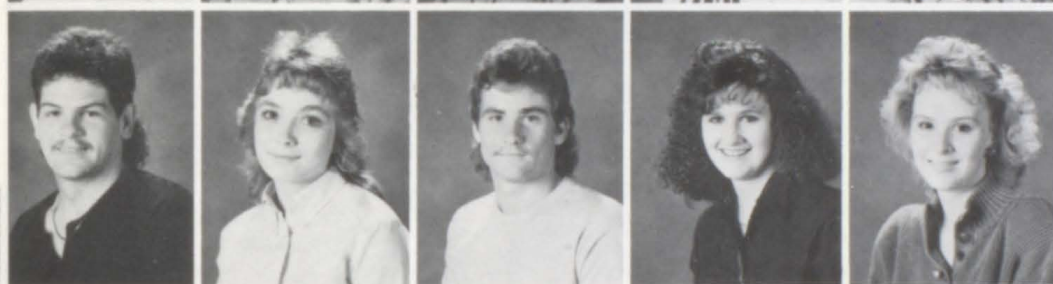
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Tina Morrison
Crystal Newton

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Joanna Sloat
Laura Smith
Bibi Stewart
Mike Stovall
Stephanie Upchurch



Julia Verbeek
Sherri Wallace
Michele Wallis
Kristi Weaver
James Zotzky

Students With Cars Just Hope They Have

Four Wheel Drive

“How am I going to get to work?” How am I ever going to afford gas to get to school in the morning?” These are popular questions asked by students old enough to own their own cars.

Parents and kids get into a lot of arguments about the use of a vehicle. When they get old enough to drive, many students still cannot afford a car. They are al-

ways asking, “Mom, can I take your car cruising around the square in Athens?”

Many students work to be able to afford their own car. There aren't a lot of places to work in Athens, so most end up at a fast food restaurant or a grocery store. There they hope to rack up enough hours so that their paycheck will cover gas, insurance, repairs, and possibly even the car

payment itself.

Some students are lucky enough to be given their cars. Senior Natalie Coleman explained that “my mom got my car for me for Christmas.” These gift cars may not always be exactly what the student wished for. The Porsche they dream of often becomes a used pickup truck or a cast off sedan. Mark Henry sighed that “the only thing wrong with my car

is the whole car.” Many students have become experts at impromptu roadside repair.

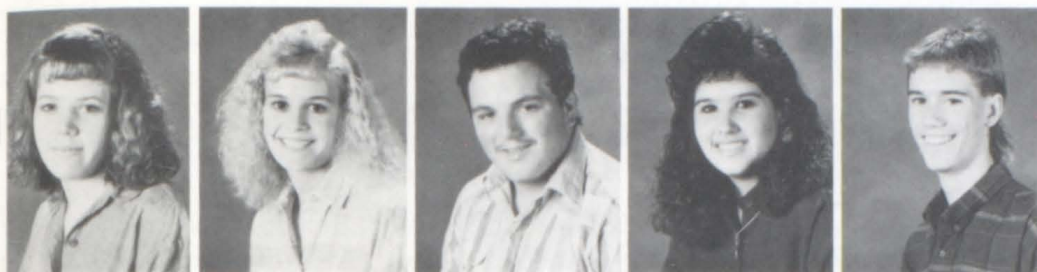
Students who work to pay for their cars often appreciate them a lot more than those who receive them from their parents. But students view their cars as vital transportation — the best way to get to school or work.

Road warrior Michele Wallis smiles in appreciation as Karen Holder checks out her reliable ride to school. Not a luxury sedan, but it beats riding a bus or having parents drive you to school.



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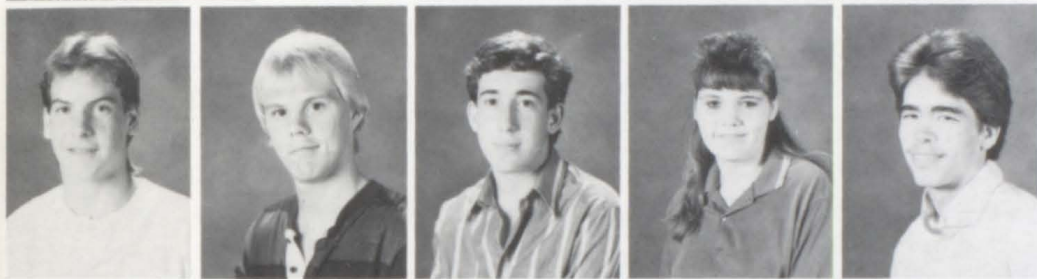
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Donna Parks
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Clanton Richardson
 Jennifer Rogers
 Tina Rogers
 Jennifer Sheets
 James Spears



David Starkes
 Scott Stone
 Jana Templin
 Ricky Tigert
 Melanie Willingham

Freshmen Realize They're Doing Their

First Year Of Hard Time

You've heard of Senioritis. Now meet the newest disease to hit America's high schools. It terrifies eighth graders throughout the nation. It is truly horrifying. It is . . . the fear of being a freshman!

No, it's not some psychological disorder, although some seniors would swear it was. It's that nervous feeling some ninth grade students get when they finally walk into the high school. Any guy who has ever been a freshman on the football team can tell you about that feeling of near-panic that ensues

upon walking into a room full of varsity football players. Most freshmen get that same feeling when they come anywhere near a gaggle of seniors. It's enough to make any normal freshman run for cover.

New experiences headline the freshman year. Some of the students who are completely new to Cross Roads get a real shock. "I walked in the door and thought I was in Hick City!" says Julie Green. "But after I walked in a little way, I saw that people dress almost the same here as they did in my old

school." New classes are also a big part of the fear. Algebra phased Craig Arthus for a while, but after a few days he realized that "it wasn't something to make you tremble with fright."

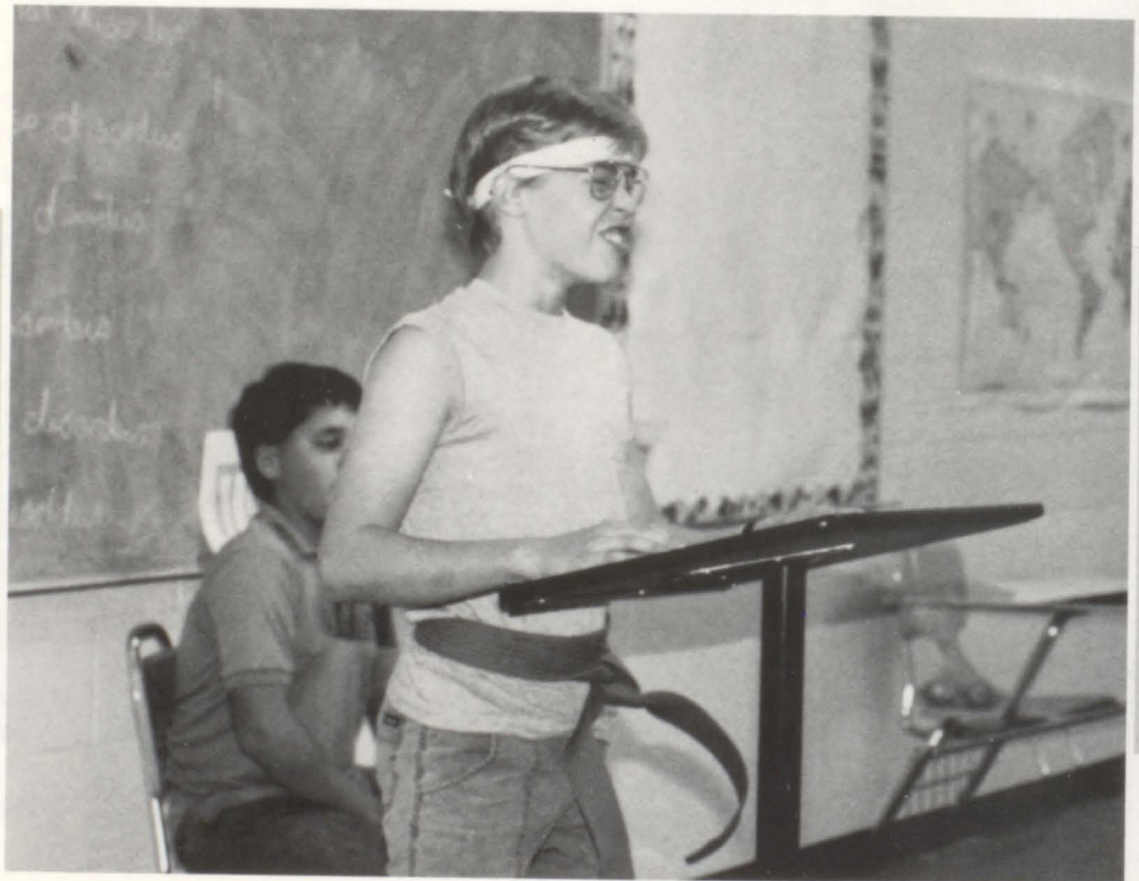
Every freshman seems to dread meeting the upperclassmen. They flich every time someone even mentions the word 'fish'. Most walk pretty softly around the seniors and try not to be noticed. "just don't step on anybody's feet, and you'll be fine," Angel Bridwell advises upcoming fish. "Just play it safe."

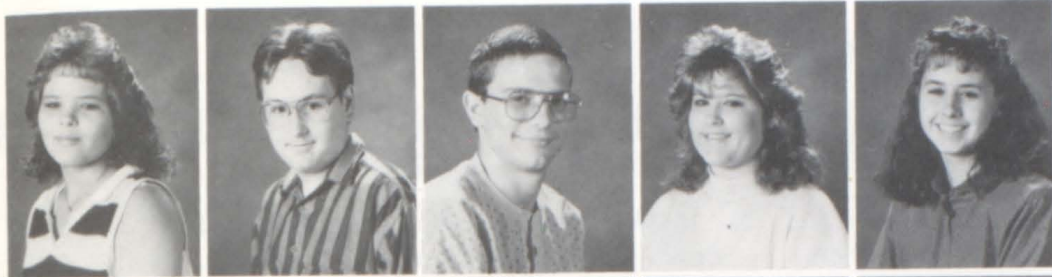
New teachers, harder

classes, and various other items are causes of the fear. Now they actually have to complete work to be praised by teachers and get acceptable grades. It's a whole new ballgame once eighth grade graduation is over. Maturity is necessary to accomplish anything.

But never fear, future freshmen! It's really not that bad. In fact, sometimes it's so much fun you never want to graduate. All of this year's freshmen will survive to be sophomores and so will you. Maybe.

Shedding the fear Freshman Phillip Kuhn shows no stage fright as he campaigns for a ridiculous office in Mrs. Cockrell's English I class.





Patti Agin
Tommy Alexander
Craig Arthus
Tracey Boyde
Angel Bridwell

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Danda Brown
Amy Buchinger
Jeff Burrows
James Clark
Cindy Coker

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Grant Dixon
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Sharla Graham
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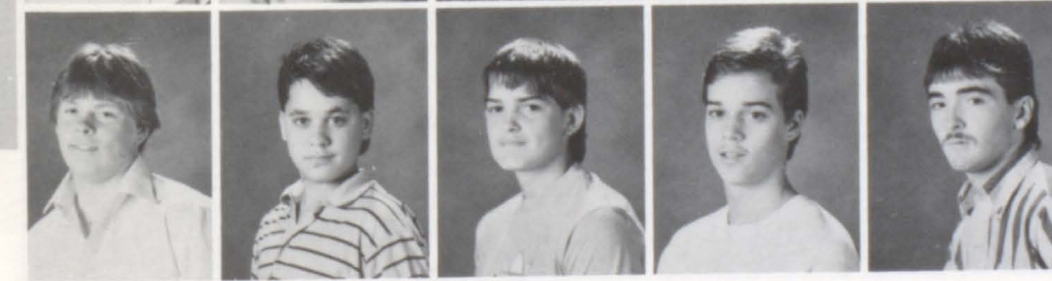


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Larra Marshall
John Mershon

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Tina Moss
Madonna Ortiz
Julie Pearce
Lance Perkins
Nicky Pruitt



Kenny Rogers
Gary Sellers
Rickey Smith
Chris Travis
Ricky Trussell

Getting Ready For School Leaves

No Time To Waste

You're late! You had better get up from bed and get moving!"

A guy might hear this from his mom or dad on mornings when he oversleeps. Most guys get up between 7:30 AM and 8:00 AM, while a girl might rise as early as 6:30 AM. Most girls must get up earlier because it usually takes them longer to get prepared for school. A lot of guys

don't take as much care about their appearance.

Kids use different methods to wake up in the morning. Some use a little watch alarm, while others connect a timer to their stereo to blast them out of bed. Many students will sleep right through an alarm, or simply extend their sleeping time by hitting the familiar snooze button. Parents sometimes have to step in to make sure kids

are awakened on time.

Some students will get up early to play with their pets or to see after their younger brothers and sisters. Some have regular chores which must be accomplished before leaving for school. There are dogs that whine to be fed, beds that should be made, and trash to be carried out. Although most students don't eat breakfast any more, the few who do must allow

time in their mornings to eat as well.

Getting out of bed on time is especially important to those students who must ride a bus to school. If they miss the bus, then they have to find another way to school. Otherwise they just have to miss school and stay at home, an event that the principal is not going to appreciate.

Michael Aaron
Kourtnie Airheart



Stephanie Baker
Cory Barron
Chasity Brown
Shanna Brownlee
Mark Burrows



Clay Busby
Patsy Chandler
Angela Crumrine
Amy Davis
Lalainia Day



Darrell Gabel
Raymond Goodman
Maria Guevara
Julie Hall
Roxanne Handley





Jason Hart
Garry Holder
Jerry Holleman
Lorri Holson
Jennie Jock

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Melissa Johnston
Wendy Kinabrew
Luke King
Sissy Lee
Jennifer Leschber

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Benji Loden
Dana Logan
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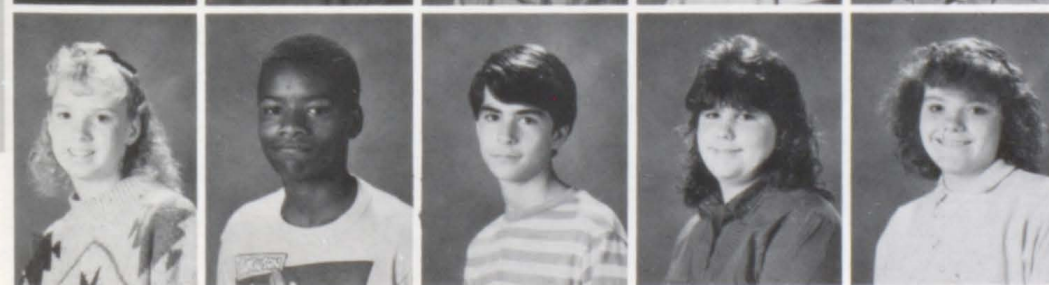
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Matt Reimer
Cherry Rounsavall
Curt Silvey
Dona Stevenson
Alana Vaughn

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Kakie Wallis
Kenneth Washington
Jerry Wethington
Staci Wilcox
Nikki Wood

Finding A Special Person Makes This

A Time For Love

How can you forget special times spent with the one that you love? Many people "fall in love" every day. As for many seventh grade students, they switch boyfriends and girlfriends almost daily.

Junior high students are just beginning to get the idea of dating, while high school students are beginning to settle down with their lives. When you are in junior high, the members of the opposite sex are much more important than your Texas History homework. It is the fad to have a new love as often as possible and as many at a time as

possible.

When the high school years arrive, students are more into dating than going with someone new every week. Stable relationships develop and friendships grow. When you are in high school, it is actually acceptable to

be 'just friends' with one of the opposite sex. People cease being so fickle and often mature in their ideas about others.

The older you grow, the more important boyfriends and girlfriends become. You completely forget that

back in the third grade you couldn't stand boys or girls. Now that is all you think about. Changes happen so quickly, so enjoy the strong friendships of high school while you can.

Sharing time Justin Gunnels(left) and April Killman(right) join longtime couple Eddy Hinds and Jana Templin in a Mexican fiesta presented by the Spanish classes. Students enjoy the security of a longterm friendship.



Crystal Abbott



Carrie Arthus
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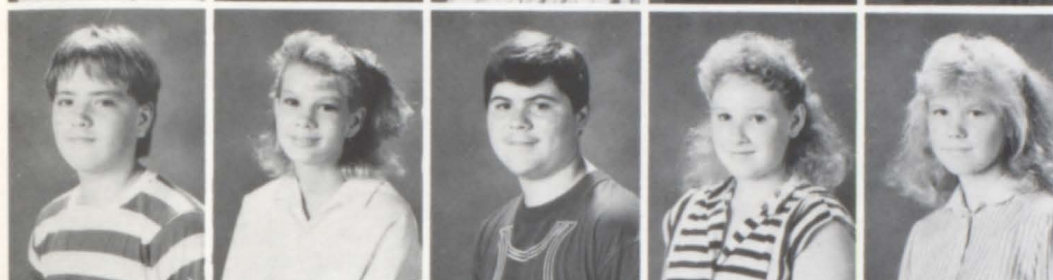
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Brian Lee
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Stacie Logan
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Shawn McCullough
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Jensy Reese
Steven Richardson
Kay Seamans
George Sellers
Kelly Spence



Lee Walker
Jeff Wallace
Lisa Weaver
Robby Weisinger
Brandon Willingham

Lockers Reflect Their Owners

From Top To Bottom

How long has it been in there? How long will it stay? These are frequent questions about the everyday items found in lockers.

Students from grades four through twelve can identify with the hassle of changing classes. Along with class changes comes the book exchange. This means a trip to your locker at an estimated seven times per day.

Although lockers were meant to be a storage space for student books, students have taken their lockers one step further. They use the decorating of their lockers to express their particular taste and personality.

While some students change signs regularly about who loves who, others post pictures to remind them of loved

ones and dear friends. Junior Michele Wallis said that "my locker is important to me. I like to decorate it because when I change books between classes, it makes me energetic to finish the day when I see pictures of my friends. It also makes me look forward to the weekend!"

This attachment to locker decorations is evident in the care that most students take in keeping their lockers in fairly good shape. By noticing what additions have been made to the standard locker decor, you can tell a lot about the individual who is using the space inside.

Happy Mess The locker of Kacie Wallis reflects the things she cares about the most.



Phillip Agin
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Greg Avant
Rickey Baker
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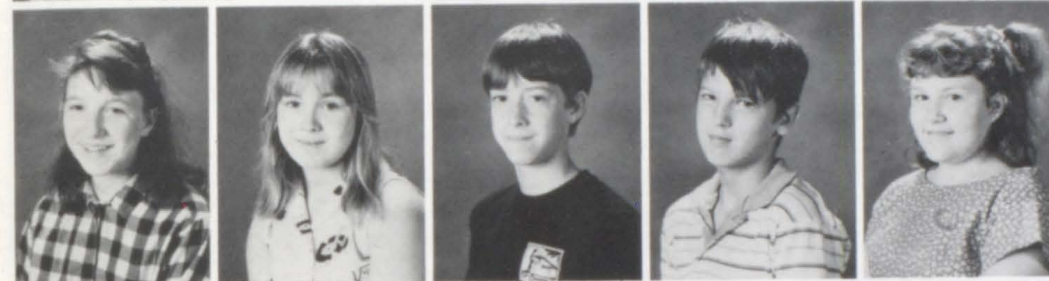
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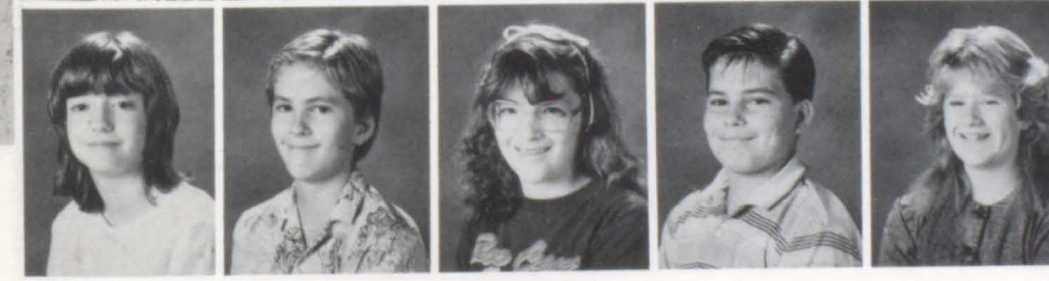


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Holli Newton
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Amanda Russell
Jody Schedule



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Justin Trammell
Lori Trammell
Eric Vaughn
Karrienne Wanek

Humor In Class Requires That

Perfect Timing

No! You're all wrong! It was the time the frog jumped out of the desk. Wait, maybe you're right, it could have been when he slid across the mopped floor and then crashed into the water bucket. Or how about the time when . . .

There have been so many funny moments in class that students and teachers have a hard time figuring out which one was the most amusing. Fifth grader Sandy Elsom thought it was a great surprise when the map of the United States fell on Mrs. Thomas, and Mr. Ward had to fix it for her. Gary Rogers, and a few others as well, thought it was funny

Letting it loose Seniors John Holland and Cindy Bridwell find a way to enjoy classtime and relax from the stress of learning.

when Ronald Lloyd took off after a note in the trash can and accidentally spilled trash all over himself. Also, some students thought it would be funny to play a prank on a teacher. Dara Leopard figured it would be hilarious if "the teacher fell out of her chair."

When asked about a funny event, sophomore Shane Pruitt remembered the gang war in

Drama with Henry Mershon featured against the rest of the guys in the class. "The best part," Shane recalled, "was when Ric Ratley dove under the feet of Henry and Henry went stumbling to the ground." Classmates noticed something wrong with senior John Holland on the day of the basketball playoff game against Honey Grove. He was practically bouncing off

the walls and had a hard time keeping himself under control.

Some day we may recall all the amusing times in class. When our classmates grow up to become professional business men and women, they will think back and say, "I didn't really do that, did I?"



Renee Aaron
Chris Arthus
Jeremy Ashley
Valarie Barnes
Dara Beeson

Nicole Busby
Melinds Calvert
Daniel Clark
Brian Collins
Wesley Crowley





Gabriel Daley
Jennifer Day
Sandy Elsom
Brandy Gatlin
Jeremy George

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Stacy Gray
Amy Green
Heath Greenwalt
Gary Don Holder
William Holder

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Robert Hughes
Angela Johnson
Mike Lechber
Jennifer Lee
Jade Lindley

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Ronald Lloyd
Leanna Marion
Bo Marshall
Jerry Massey
Jessica McKenzie

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Celina Morrison
Larry Morrison
Jason Palmer
Tabatha Purvis
Gary Rogers

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Georgia Rogers
Lawanda Roland
Tammye Seat
Bradley Stewart
Jared Templin



Gary Thompson
Misty Tower
Amy Washington
Damon Williams
Angie Vaughn

Same Time, Same Place

Riding The Bus Means A Daily Adventure

Here it comes again, same time as yesterday. That big long thing that swallows my master only to return him later in the afternoon. It's the largest of the canine family. It is the Yellow Dog, otherwise known as the Cross Roads school bus. I wonder what my master does inside the Yellow Dog?

Each bus has its own driver, and each driver has his or her own way of entertaining the bus riders. For instance, sometimes the drivers dress up for certain holidays like Christmas and Halloween. They may give coke and candy parties,

or let the students play around a bit. Mr. Reynolds jokes with all his riders.

Students start riding a bus at all ages and some continue to ride them even after they get out into the Real World. Senior Danielle Jones started riding the bus when she was in kindergarten and still rides it. Freshman Kori Lippert and junior Joanna Sloat have also been riding the bus to school for quite a while, but they are occasionally picked up by parents or friends.

Bus rides are always a place to hear new and different sounds. Airbrakes, air conditioners, and ex-

cited elementary students all make for a high noise level on most buses.

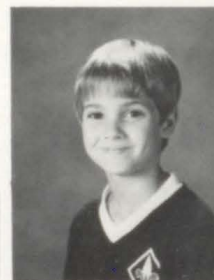
Here it comes again. My master is back home for now. Every day when he comes home he has something new to tell me about the ride. He might tell me who got into trouble with the driver or that something awful happened to the bus. A flat

tire? The windows frozen down so the cold air whistles in? But the day I'm waiting for is the day he says he doesn't have to ride the bus again — until next year.

Another beginning One more day begins with the arrival of the school busses carrying students from kindergarten age to high school.



Keith Baggett
Carmen Baker



Rana Beeson
Dawn Bell
Bryan Bevel
John Boothe
Jimmy Boyde



Jimmy Clements
Jennifer Coe
Kasey Crumrine
Angel Daley
Deeona Dawson





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Boyce Edwards
Mandy Ellis
Joshua Gatlin
Danny Groom

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Daniel Guevara
Jason Hardin
Justin Hart
Matt Johnston
Tommy Killman

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Kodi Marshall
Jay Martin
Charlotte Matlock
Chris Matlock

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Ronnie Maxwell
Charles McCarty
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Kris Nash
Steven Nemeth

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Jessica Parks
Andy Pearce
Kevin Radican
Bobby Rogers
Brandi Smith

4



Casey Spence
Jeremy Teague
Josh Thompson
John Trammell
Tim Underhill



Bradley Ward
Cendy Ward
Wendy Ward
Daralee Wheeler
Tammy Willet

Glossary Of Important Terms

A Handy Guide To Correct Current Usage

Bum deal — seven classes your senior year

Can we have a free day? — a regular request with a usual answer of no

Geek — 1) a person who does all his homework the day it is assigned and not the day it is due

2) a general term of disdain towards a fellow student

Homework — a single word which causes moans and groans from 20 classmates

Homes (also Homeboy) — John Holland's nickname for everyone

Huh? — response of surprise registered by all students when the teacher assigns homework

I don't understand (also Explain it again) — request from students who think that if they make the teacher explain the concept again, they will run out of time and have no homework; this tactic usually doesn't work

It's in the book — David Hodges' way of telling his classmates to stop talking and get to work

Mr. Brown (other variations possible) — phrase heard from Mr. Lewis

whenever the suspect individual is within hearing range

Pretend to pay attention — Phrase used by teachers to recapture attention of daydreaming students

Pretty nifty, huh? — Becky Myers' reply to any question

(The) Real World — a strange and horrifying place which teachers discuss at length

Ruh-roh — Matt Holland's reply to a mistake

Shot at dawn — Mrs. Holt's reaction to any careless mistake

Some beans — precise scientific measurement used in Physics

Test today — the most hated words among students

Test tomorrow — the second most hated set of words

Whasup — a greeting between friends

Ya'll aren't talking bad, are you? — Mrs. McKinnerney's question when a group of students are gossiping in the back of the room

Whasup? Tina Morrison, Andy Kinabrew, Chris Coker, Justin Gunnels, and Eddy Hinds discover new aspects of polygons during Geolab.



Chanda Adams
Wesley Akers
Clint Black
Christi Braly





Cynthia Clements
Damon Dowell
Sheila Dozier
Amanda Drinkhouse
Sara Ellis

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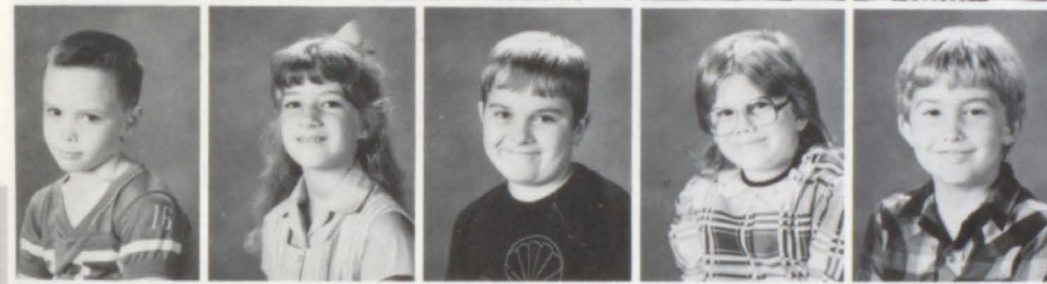
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Crystal Vaughn
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Top Of The Heap

Good Students Share Common Characteristics

They are the students who get to go out to eat during school, go on field trips, and are always getting rewarded for the good things they do. They are the superb students of Cross Roads ISD and are respected by many of their peers.

An outstanding student has many good

qualities. Second grader Stacie Palmer explained that "a superb student respects others as well as controls their temper." Michelle Westmoreland added that excellent students "treat others as they wish to be treated."

Even though the excellent students treat others with respect and honor,

they must also think of themselves when it comes to grades. "Superb students make all A's and sometimes B's," Kyle Stutts informed.

Does it take all these characteristics to be an excellent student? "Yes, because people that have good tempers are

good people, have good grades, and are polite," said second grader Nathan Wheeler. Derrick Dowell also agreed that it takes all these to be an outstanding student, "because it helps him to be a better student all through school."

Immersed in studies Ronnie Feagins looks exhausted as he joins other second graders in hoping to achieve academic excellence.





Reaping the rewards
 Senior Samuel Austin orders graduation invitations and looks forward to his studies ending in a diploma.

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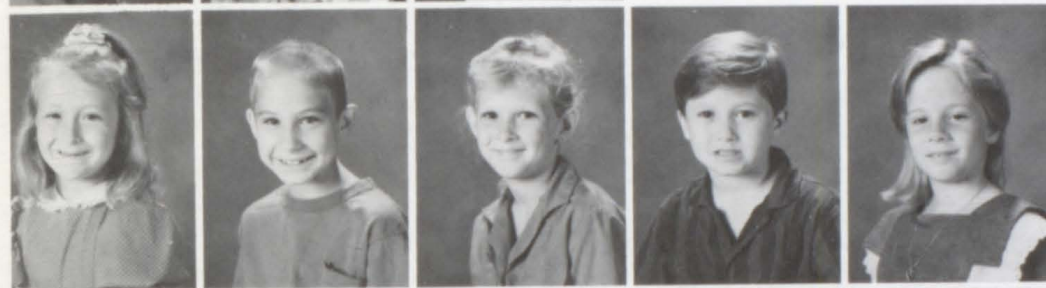
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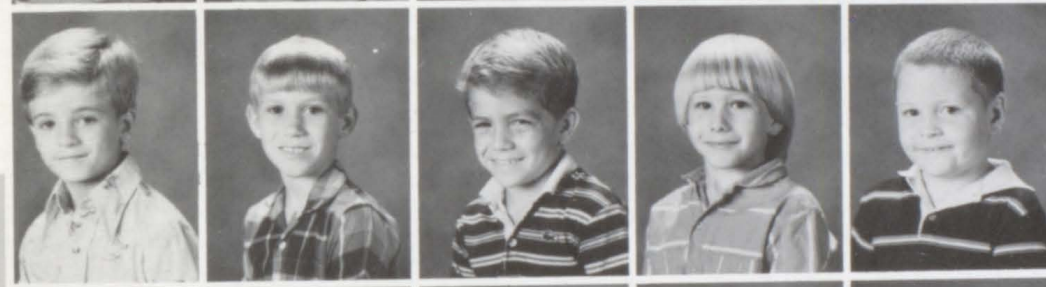
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 Colene Gibson

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 Joe David Loper

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Jackie McKinley
 Dustin Meadows
 Stacie Palmer
 Chris Passons
 Misty Radican



Cody Reynolds
 Shauna Shook
 Kyle Stutts
 Michelle Westmoreland
 Nathan Wheeler

Young Students Know There's

A First Time For Everything

Intently they stared at their papers. Slowly, realization came into their faces, Hands shot up, accompanied by eager smiles. Mrs. Harris' first graders knew the answer to her question and each wanted to be the first to tell her.

Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Gunnels are first grade teachers with over 15 years of combined teaching experience. They have learned that first

graders must always be busy.

But busy doing what? First graders learn many things that they have never learned before. Most is pure reading, followed closely by handwriting, phonics, math, spelling, and science. With this much work, how do they finish it all? Along with being responsible for their actions and having leadership and group responsibilities,

for the first time homework is a part of their day-to-day routine.

Patriotism also plays a new role in the first graders' lives. Learning the first stanza of the Star Spangled Banner teaches them loyalty to their country. Pride in Texas is also instilled in their hearts and minds. These young students learn the Texas state symbols, starting with the bluebonnet and the mocking-

bird.

First grade expands on the skills taught in kindergarten by teaching words and sounds, how to write and say and use words that the students had not been aware of. First grade is a time of changes and the gaining of more responsibility, a time of learning things for the first time.

Meeting the challenge Alicia Lee applies herself to a writing assignment, one of the new activities introduced in first grade.



Spence Airheart
Joshua Baker
Toi Beasley
Jared Bostic





Ryan Brown
Jennifer Campbell
Jacob Chitty
Christy Day
Weldon Dent

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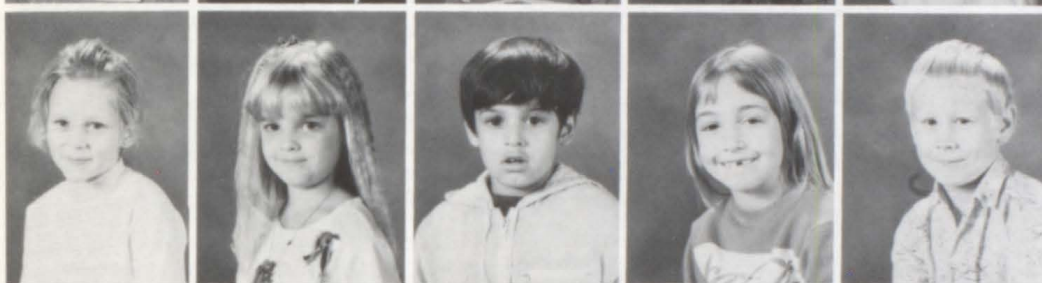
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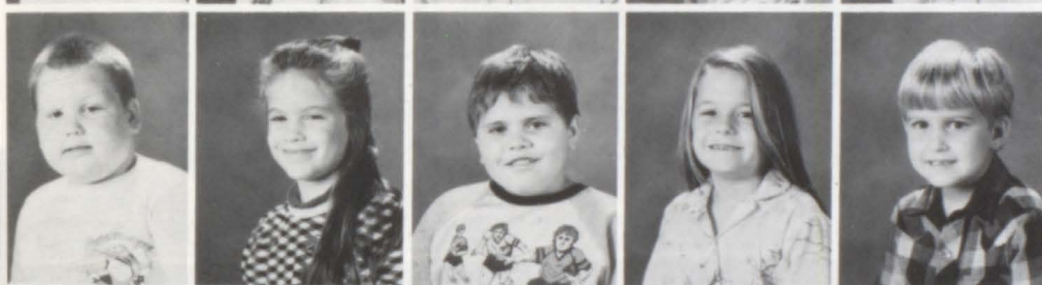
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Cody Smith
Carrie Thompson
Nicole Thorton
Tanya Trammell



Deleana Walker
Jessica Wallace
William Westmoreland
Jared Wilson
Andy Yarbrough

Time Out For Recess!

Youngsters Enjoy Every Spare Moment

"Oh boy! It's recess time!" This little phrase becomes popular with elementary students. They have a choice of many activities during their recess. Many have their favorites — playing on the slide, playing with friends, or coming up with their own ideas for recreation. They just love to get outside to play as freely as possible.

The boys and girls enjoy their recess breaks, and they deserve them. The teachers also enjoy the break, since it gives them a chance to relax from the stress of teaching.

Ups and downs Dawn Harris captures all the fun of riding the slides with her friend Randi, her favorite recess play. Most students enjoy the freedom of choosing breaktime activities.



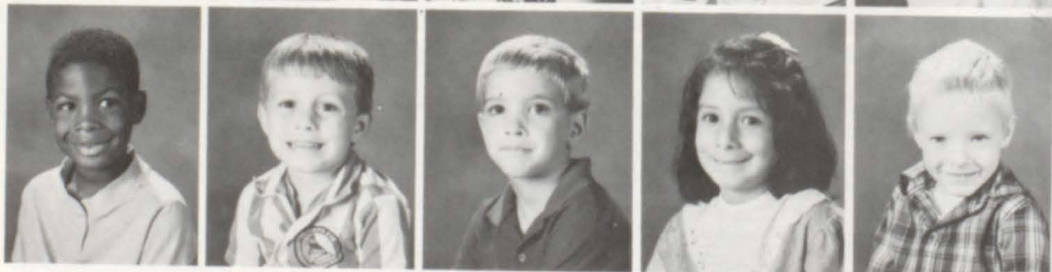
Around the clock Younger students always race for a spot on the merry-go-round, and (above) Mike Green stops the action in midspin to picture a friend riding during recess.



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Pamella Boothe
Amy Calhoun
Crystal Campbell
Jennifer Cross



Jason Dawson
Mickell Graham
Michael Green
Elizabeth Guevara
Alrick Harris





Dawn Harris
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Asa Hughes
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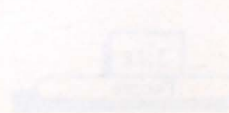


Skye Scarbrough
Tommy Stockard
Jami Stokes
Randi Stutts
Casey Tanner

K



Tracey Terry
Twyla Thorton
Aaron Trammell
Dustin Trammell
Craig Wilson



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Cafeteria staff Connie Killman, Anne Booth, Brenda Logan, and Margie Lamb prepare meals for students and faculty.



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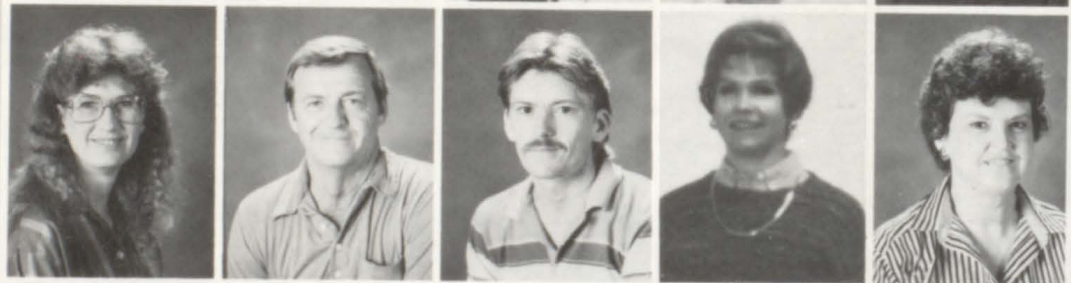
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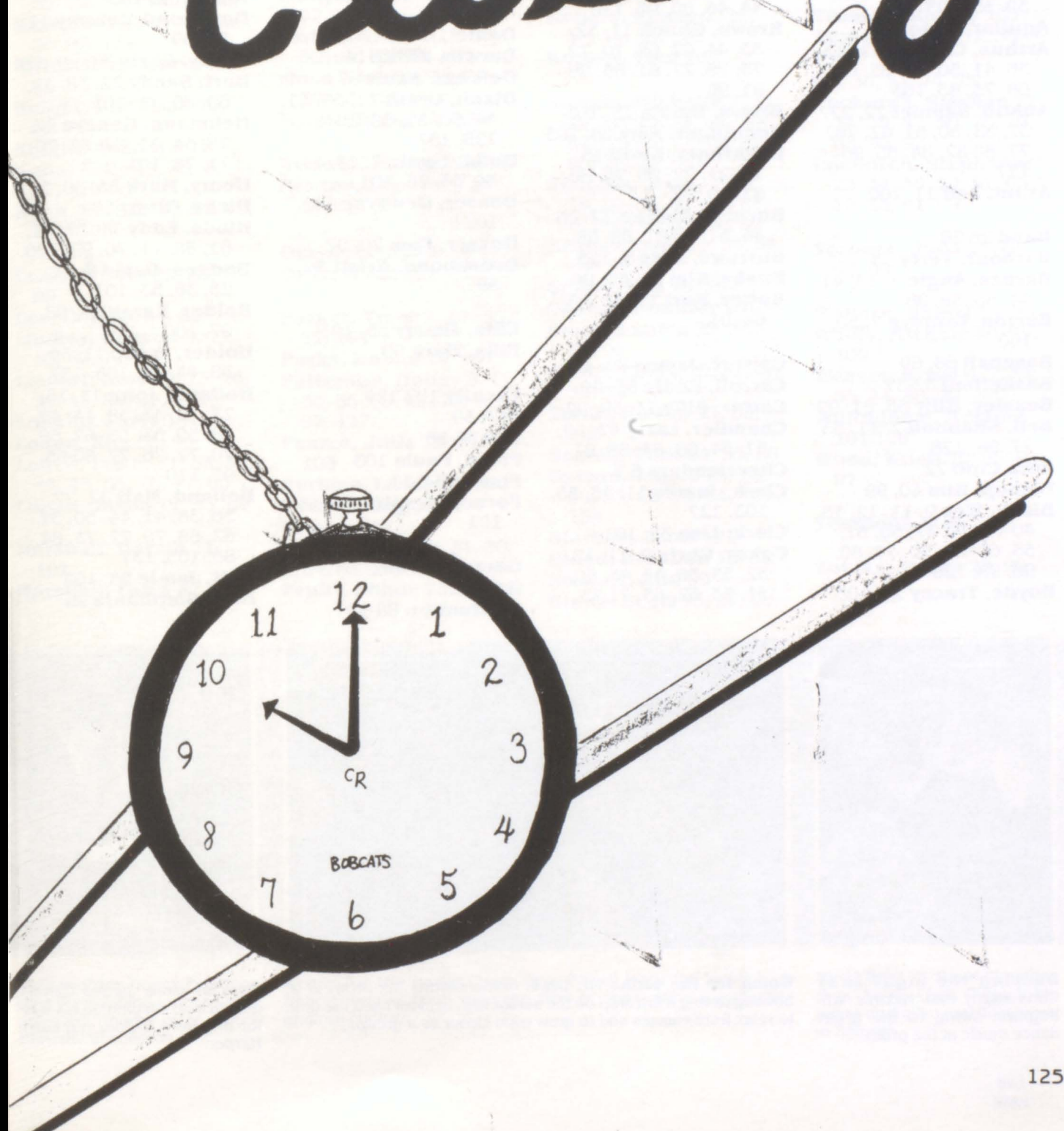
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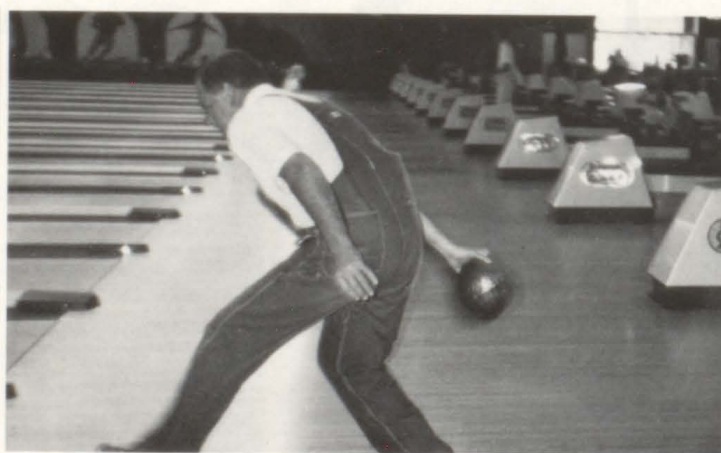


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Dancing the night away Chris Hardy and Melanie Wilingham swing to the great dance music at the prom.



Going for the strike Mr. Lewis demonstrates his prowess at bowling during a fun stop on the senior trip. Seniors used the time to relax from classes and to grow even closer as a group.



Special time James Calvert gets help in slipping on his senior ring from Balfour rep Larry Harper.

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Star builder Donny Patterson puts the finishing touches on a geometric model of an icosahedron.



Ready for the game Coach Greg Powell leads the junior high Bobcat football team onto the field in preparation for another gridiron contest.



Final final Mr. David Simmons puts James Clark through his paces during an oral final exam in Spanish.

Frozen In Time

Memories Make The Year A Perfect Ten

I ain't gonna miss no tests!" declared senior Kim Busby. While that aspect of 1988-89 might not be missed, every student had special people, events, and times that they would treasure always. Souvenirs of the year reminded students of the times they had shared — UIL medals, '89 tassels, prom shades, a pair of lucky track shoes, a first paper written in cursive, an Easter basket, notes from that special someone.

Mementos might be tangible reminders of memories, but time would not erase those moments in time that were especially important. Few would forget

the last senior pep rally, the hours of work on prom decorations, the way Coach Vaughn hangs on his podium, and candlelit classes during the power failure. Mr. Holt's Aggie jokes, and

Mr. Lewis' reminder "Don't forget why you're here" would ring in students' ears for quite a while. All of these small remembrances were frozen in time for years to come.

A perfect ten? Cross Roads students approached that goal on all levels, in academic and athletic competition as well as the everyday challenges of learning.



Number one in spirit (right) Justin Gunnels, Mike Kuhn, Shannon Bell, and Wes Black salute the Bobcats at the final football pep rally.

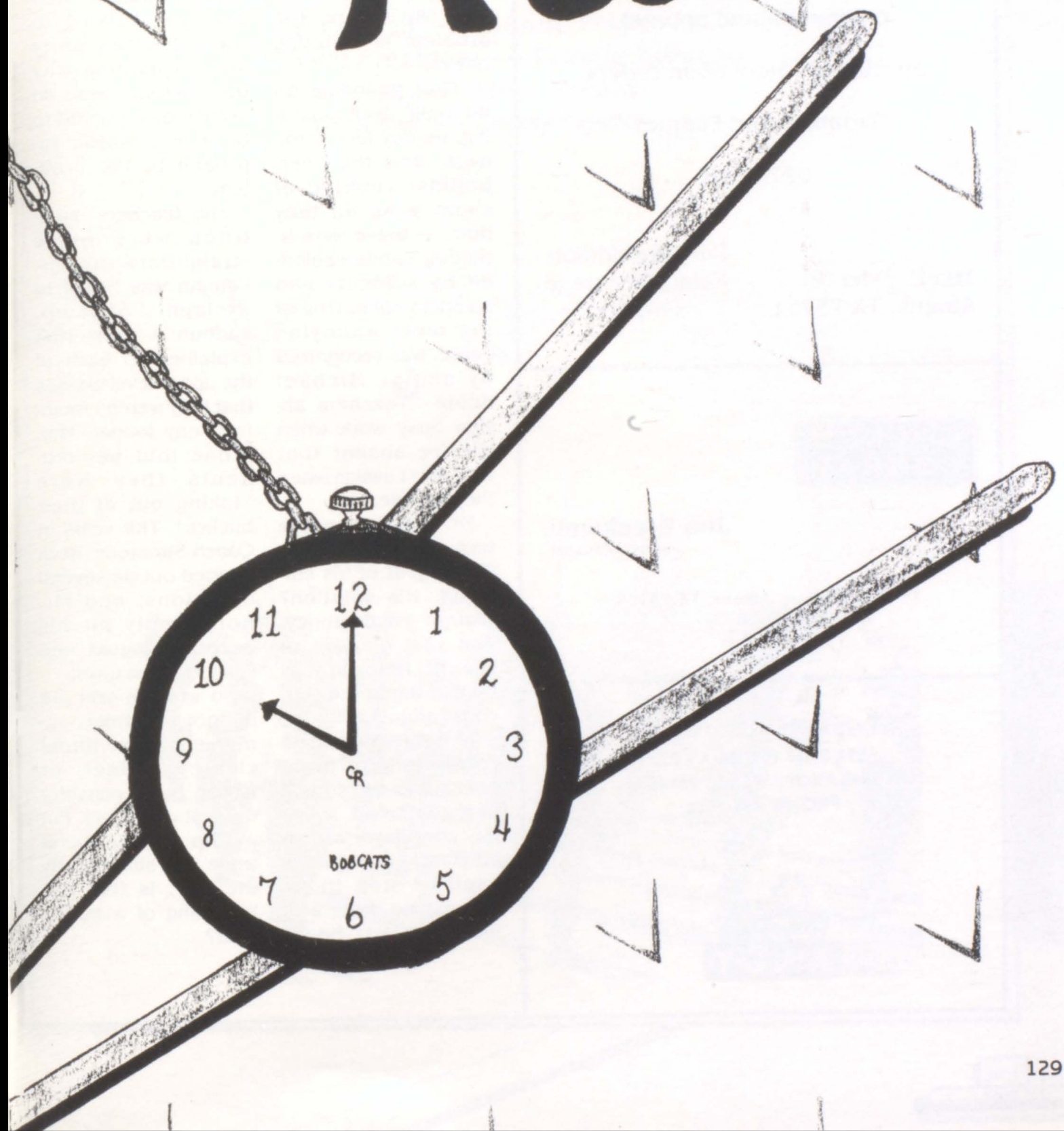


Tops again Natalie Coleman hugs Mrs. Cockrell as Grant Dixon and Fawn Killman proudly display the Literary UIL District Champ trophy.

Final effort Bradley Stewart finishes up a homework assignment during the last days of class before a well-deserved summer break.



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STOP THAT!

We have them. She has them. Even the teachers have them and can't get rid of them. No, there is not an epidemic at Cross Roads, but we would sure like a cure. The problem is irritating habits.

"Quit pounding on the wall!" Wall pounding, muddy feet, tardiness, and the ever-popular rubbing of chair racks till they hum — these were irritating habits exhibited by students and teachers alike. One of the most annoying habits was recognized by senior Michael Kuhn: "Teachers assign busy work when they're absent that they don't assign when they're here."

Mr. Holt's pet peeve was unpreparedness on the part of his students. His solution? Charge them money. The vast amount of change he collected went towards the purchase of snake food.

The monotonous consistency of these habits was the source of the irritation. It was day after day, class after class. The methods used to stop those committing these acts were varied. Some

suggestions included confronting the offender, telling them to stop acting stupidly, or, in the worst of cases, resorting to physical violence against their persons. Talking to the offending party and explaining why their actions were so bothersome proved to be a less drastic approach to the problem.

The teachers' solutions were quite straightforward. Mr. Vaughn was heard to exclaim, "Shut up, dadbumit!" Mrs. Holt explained to each of the upper level classes that they weren't freshmen any longer. Mrs. Stone told her students they were "taking out of their bucket." The veins in Coach Simmons' neck popped out on several occasions, and Mr. Holt simply hit his head in disgust and said, "C'mon guys!"

So whether you are a door slammer, rumor spreader, throat clearer, whiner, or fusser, try to consider the rest of society. Put a stop to your habit while you still can. By the way, is that the humming of a desk I hear?

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Cross Roads Booster Club Scholarship Qualifications

Selection of a boy and a girl from the Senior Class will be on the basis as follows:
(Note exception at bottom).

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Several methods of personal expression are called cool these days. What do you do to act cool? "I would act normal because I am cool," senior Karl Butler confesses. No, he is not being conceited. Karl explains that "someone who

wants to be their own person" is cool in his eyes.

Why do we seek this? Why is this attitude a major part of our lives? The struggle to be cool has been with us for many years. It is a way of tradition and acceptance among peers. The need to feel accepted by your friends has molded the preps and groomed the thugs into recognizable groups with their own

version of what is cool.

Senior Andrea Burnett believes a cool person is "a calm person who doesn't get frazzled at the slightest things, who's outgoing and has a laid-back personality." We may all have our own definition of what it takes. No matter which one we go by, just take it easy and relax. By our own definition, each one of us is cool.

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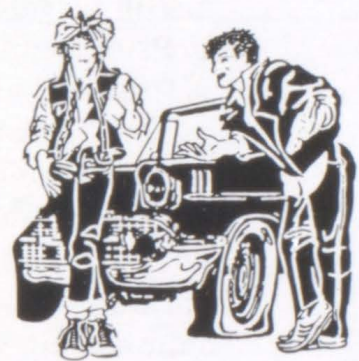
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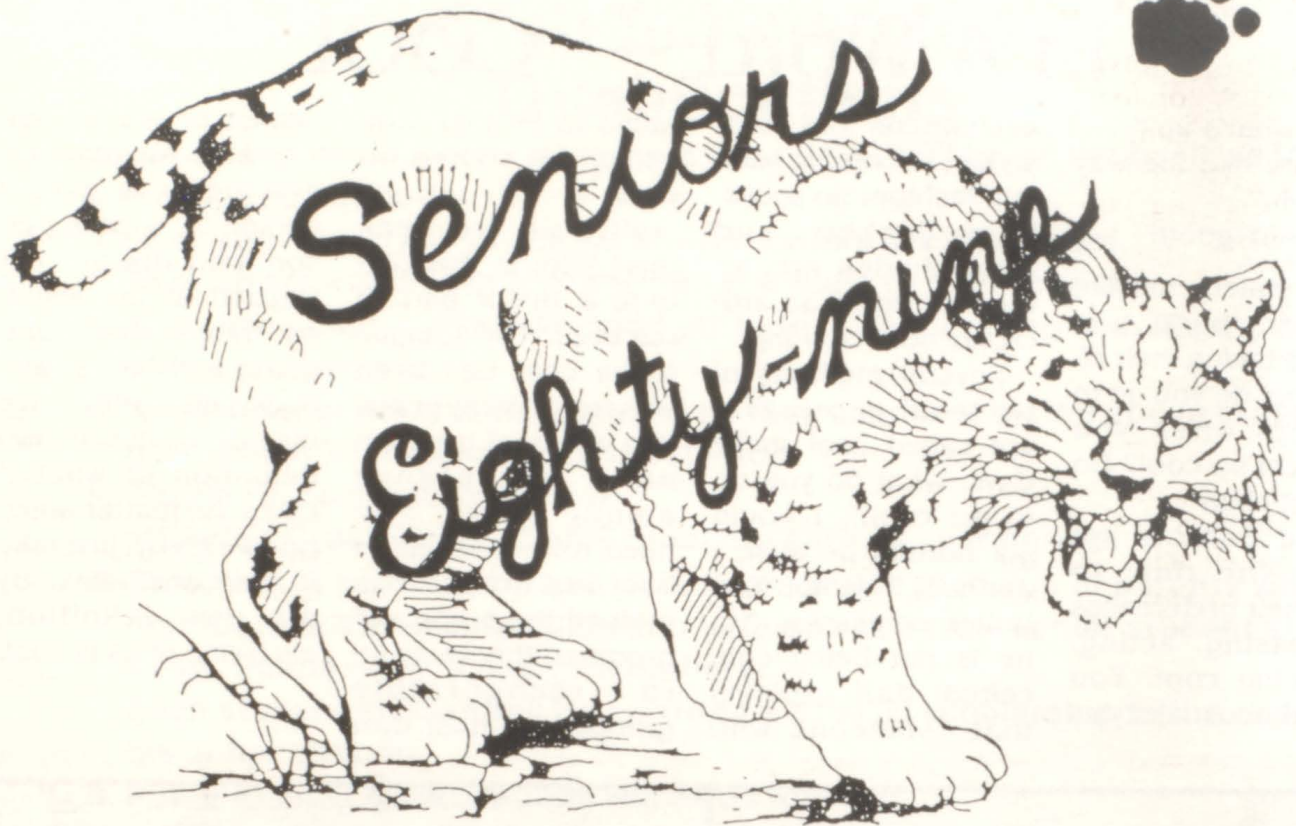


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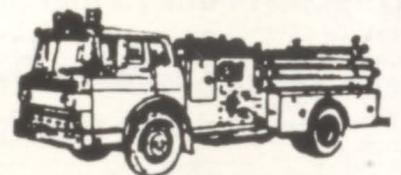
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"I draw what I feel," freshman Chris Travis said emphatically. "It lets me erase my mind." Everyone has

some reason for doing something they enjoy. Students do it to fit in or just because they want to, and it makes them feel good. Art allows the artist to give his emotions free rein.

Still, as students, they need support from their families and friends. Family members stand by to encourage and inspire them to keep going and to keep achieving in their artistic abili-

ties. "My mother makes sure I never give up and that I keep driving," stated Jerry Wethington. Friends who are in awe of their talents also lend support and self-confidence to the budding artist.

Students with these graphic talents don't know where their dreams are going to take them, but many hope it leads to a career in the artistic field.

A related career in design, such as aerospace engineering, would be just as rewarding. Each young artist has his own wishes and ideals.

They express themselves and impress everyone else, these Cross Roads artists. They are hoping to become something great through their art. With support, they can make that dream a reality.



Freshman Chris Travis exhibits the Aggie banner he drew for the Texas A&M/University of Texas football game.

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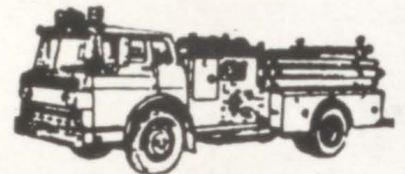
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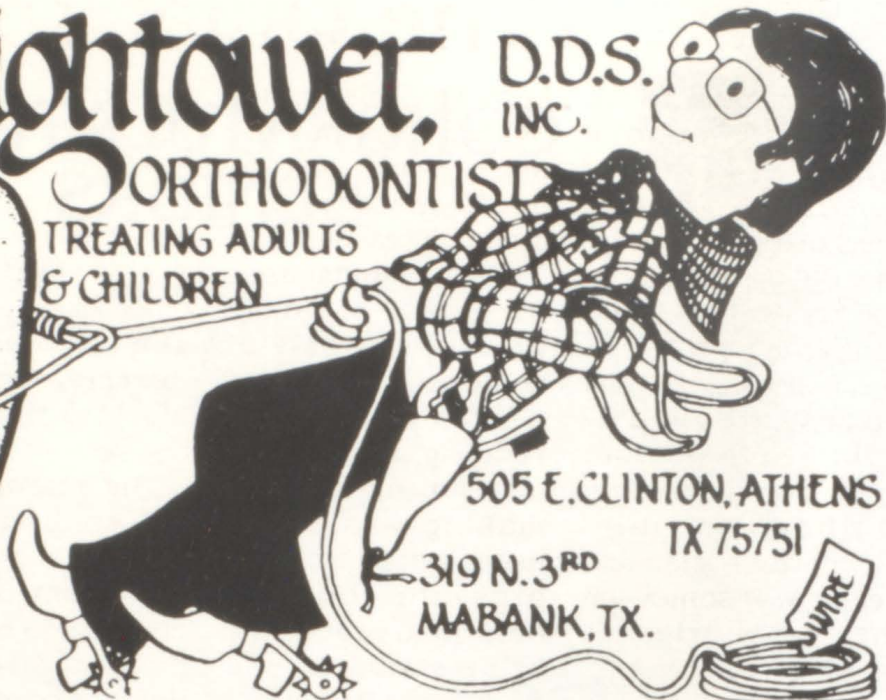
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"I need you to be quiet." Mrs. Cockrell's method usually worked for her noisiest class of freshman English. But when it didn't, she resigned to being completely silent herself, a method that has worked just as well.

All teachers had their own individual methods to quiet down their classes. Yelling was something that most tried to avoid unless absolutely necessary. Trying to

keep students' minds on their task was the most popular method used by junior and senior high teachers.

Mr. Reynolds used the threat of homework — a load of homework — to keep his Zoo Crew in line. Paddling as a form of punishment for noise-making was rarely used, but class peer pressure could be brought to bear on the hapless student who got caught talking at

the wrong moment. Mrs. Holt was forced to keep young storytellers in at break to make up for lost class time. The trip to Mr. Lewis' office was usually held as a last resort to keep the class, or a particular student, under control.

The reason for the concern over noise in the classroom did not stem from the teacher's wish to have complete control at all times. Learning, and

grades, suffer greatly from misconduct in class. When students talk they cannot hear the teacher's instructions and thus miss out on the information. Usually poor conduct relates directly to poor academic grades.

Teacher methods of keeping their class noise down are varied, but each has proven successful for that individual.

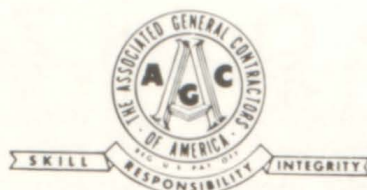
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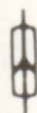
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On Their Own Time

You may think you know them. You see them every day. Just when you think you have them all figured out, the truth comes out. What do these people have in common? They are all faculty members here at Cross Roads who have hidden talents.

There are many different teachers at Cross Roads who have varied personalities and interests. Likewise they have different

hobbies and talents. These aren't the ordinary stamp collecting and fishing hobbies; they are extraordinary talents.

Who is blonde, blue eyed, and loves to drive a tractor? Hint: She teaches Home and Family Living. Mrs. stone enjoys piloting a tractor whenever she gets a chance. Who loves to refinish old furniture? Aggie fanatic Mr. Holt uses his spare time to polish

antiques and old tools picked up at Canton's First Monday. Who can break glass with her high notes? Well, Mrs. Bass may not be Ella Fitzgerald, but her beautiful soprano voice has graced many a church service with its special music. Who can saw with the best of them? Mr. McKinney can tap out a tune on his fiddle at the slightest request. Who has a green thumb and loves to do

landscaping? If he had any spare time, Coach Thorpe would spend it killing gophers and otherwise sprucing up his greenery.

In all, the teachers have proven to be as diverse as the students. The next time you need a pasture mowed, or some helpful hints for planting flower bulbs, you must look no further than your friendly, talented faculty member.

Decision Time: The Future

What is there to do after you graduate from high school?

You could get a job. What a bizarre concept! You could at least apply for any job that did not require a college education. Such jobs may make it difficult to earn the kind of money necessary to live away from home, and workers may have a hard time moving up to more challenging positions. Many older students

have already experienced the joys of part time work in the fast-food field, and some prefer not to become the oldest living Dairy Queen employee.

For those students, college may be another option to consider. To freshman Kori Lippert, college can open up an exciting career in astrophysics, the study of stars and their characteristics. Kori hopes that her plans will help influence oth-

er young scholars to reach for the sky.

Astrophysics is not the only career choice requiring a college education. Chris Travis, also a freshman, has chosen aerospace engineering as the career he wants to pursue. This job will combine the use of his artistic ability to design aircraft with an excellent pay scale.

Science is not the only course to follow if you choose a college

career. Sports are popular to a lot of young athletes at Cross Roads, one of whom is Ric Ratley. It has been Ric's life ambition to play football at the University of Texas. He chosen UT because a lot of great athletes come from UT, and UT has a good academic program."

There are many varied courses to follow once you graduate from high school. What are your plans?

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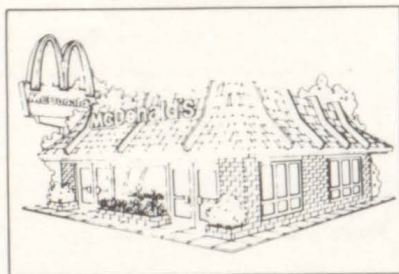
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Out Of Time

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For many older students, being past curfew and having to make up an excuse is nothing new. The crit-

ical area is how their parents will accept their excuse. Cross Roads parents react in quite different ways to their reasons for being late.

Many teens are "grounded for life" if they come in just a second late. Les Loden usually faces a most hideous punishment: "I have to wake up early the next

morning at about 7 AM to take out the trash or do some other chore." Billy Beasley's mother usually knows he's not telling the truth when he concocts a story to cover up his tardiness. Billy explains that she usually lets him get by with it anyway. Pam Dosser's mother takes the old-fashioned approach by yelling at her and telling her

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After appropriate behavior on the student's part, and many hours of begging and pleading, the teens most often return to their normal social activity. But the weekend curfew is always there to keep them mindful of the time.



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After you graduate from high school, you can't stay in college forever to avoid the Real World. So what comes next? You must have a goal. "I'm going to be a prosecuting attorney, no matter what!" states freshman Julie Green with some authority. "Maybe I can help people then." But you do not have to have such

a specific goal in mind. If you are still unsure about the field in which you want to work as you approach graduation, you would be about average. Sophomore Shane Pruitt is already secure with the field he will be entering: "Anything in agriculture."

Sometimes in working towards a goal for your career it helps to know what situations you deem important. "World peace with all nations united and everyone working together" is Matt Holland's top priority, and a goal of many students of his generation. Family life is also

important to him. Encouraging others is significant to many students, alone with helping people. Your personal priorities can lead you in the direction to point yourself after high school. You may then know what goals you want to work for and can start looking for a career that suits you.

One thing that suits every person is to have something in his life that is almost perfect in his eyes. Today's students seem to want that something to be a perfect future. But (get this you have to work for it. You must ask yourself

the question: What do I want my future to be like? Many Cross Roads students have their perfect future all lined up. They want everyone to have a fair chance in a peaceful, democratic world.

Leaders say that the world's future rests on the shoulders of today's students. Some are worried that these shoulders will not be capable of withstanding the pressure. With a shove in the right direction, Cross Roads students will be ready and willing to accept the challenge.

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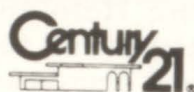
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Don't Mention The H Word!

Students would do anything to avoid it. They would listen to music or watch television to be distracted from it. Some students might even do their chores to avoid this dreadful business. What is this terrible thing that causes so much horror and pain among students? It's the H word.

Homework.

Homework — one of the more unpopular aspects of school. Many students have

developed habits of distracting themselves while attempting to do their homework. Eating, listening to music, and watching TV were three of the most frequently used distractions. Some students tried all three methods at the same time.

One approach to homework was to simply avoid it. Senior Kristi Wood considered homework boring and thought there were more interesting events occurring on

TV. Daydreaming was another way to avoid studies. Some students became experts in this field due to all the practice they received during classes.

The pace at which the homework got done was greatly affected by these distractions. Most of the time avoidance or other activities going on in the room slowed the progress on the assignment. Christina Knight explained, however, that listening

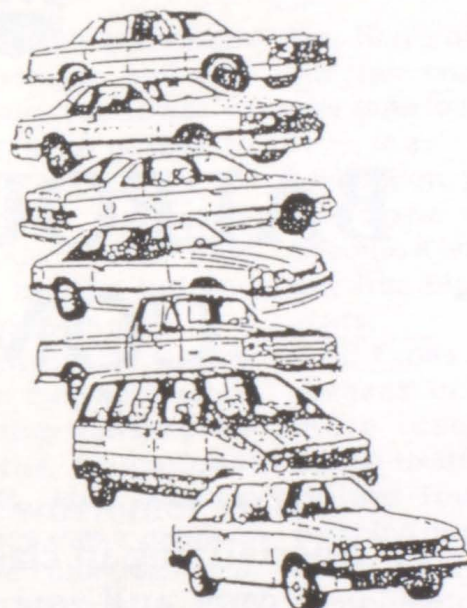
to the radio actually helped her do her homework by quickening the pace at which she worked. Students use many of these distractions to relax after school as well as to make the homework job a less stressful one.

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Are the teachers at Cross Roads all that plain and ordinary? They have been here awhile, and most plan to stay. Mrs. Harris, a first grade teacher, plans to teach forever. Mr. Spittal says he would be a band director until he lost his sanity.

Why are they here

and why are they so persistent? Most of the teachers just love their jobs and love children. They must love children because they are not in this line of work for the pay. But there are other rewards. Mrs. Killpatrick likes to see the look on a child's face when he finally learns something.

Teaching is time-consuming. Sure, teachers get holidays and summers off just like the students, but they spend much time outside of class grad-

ing all the homework they assign and preparing lessons. It takes a lot of time to plan classes for instruction, and teachers spend free time and breaks helping students as well.

Many teachers knew when they were young that they wanted to enter the educational field. Mrs. McKinney was a member of the Future Teachers of America in high school, and Mr. Spittal knew as early as the eighth grade what his career goals would be.

Mrs. Harris did not pursue her teaching career until four years after her college graduation, yet she realized she wanted to become a teacher during her high school years.

As Cross Roads increases in size and more teachers are added to the staff, attitudes towards the teaching profession remain basically the same. Teachers love what they do, and they care about students.



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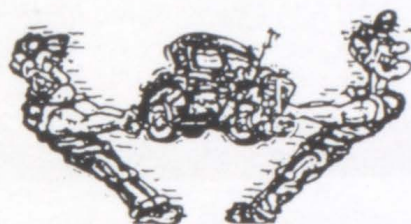
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You might think they are your friends. You might believe you can trust them. You have been with them all your life. Who are these folks? Your parents, those people who have great talents for embarrassing you when you least expect it.

Most students can recall a particular moment when their par-

ents said or did something which made them want to crawl under the carpet. Mike Kuhn remembers that "Karl Butler was over at my house and my mother choked me with a five-pound block of cheese!" His mother, however, has no recollection of this event, and suggests that she never does anything to embarrass

her children. Most parents do nothing intentional that might upset their kids in this way, but the generation gap between parents and children opens the door to many embarrassing situations. Crystal Newton's parents get to her by grounding her, which she says they do to "ruin my social life." She still recalls "one

time when they made me drive our big, ugly blue 'Brady van'. They made me drive it because I was grounded from my car. I was so embarrassed!"

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More than just knee length shorts were back in vogue. Old songs returned as well. At least remakes of old songs hit the charts in droves. Among some of today's most popular old-time hits were "Groovy Kind of Love," rerecorded by Phil Collins, and "Don't Be Cruel," an old Elvis tune redone by Cheap Trick. The California Raisins even

hit the big time with their version of "I Heard It Through the Grapevine."

Along with the old songs, groups from decades ago regained the spotlight of stardom recently. The Led Zeppelin/Robert Plant sound came back, as well as that of the Beach Boys and Pink Floyd. The Beach Boys have even recorded movie soundtracks lately which have boosted their popularity.

Movies and television programs were dominated by themes and characters of the sixties era. The Vietnam War spawned movies like "Platoon" and the TV series

"China Beach" and "Tour of Duty." The characters of the show "thirtysomething" often flashed back to their youth in the sixties, and "The Wonder Years" followed the antics of young boys during that time period.

The popularity of these programs made the accessories of the sixties the newest fashion items. One of the most popular fashion statements — and the most visible — was the return of the

peace symbol. Confused by some with the coveted Mercedes emblem, students made it a part of their everyday apparel. Loafers without socks, hair bows, and short-cropped haircuts also took their place among revived fashion trends.

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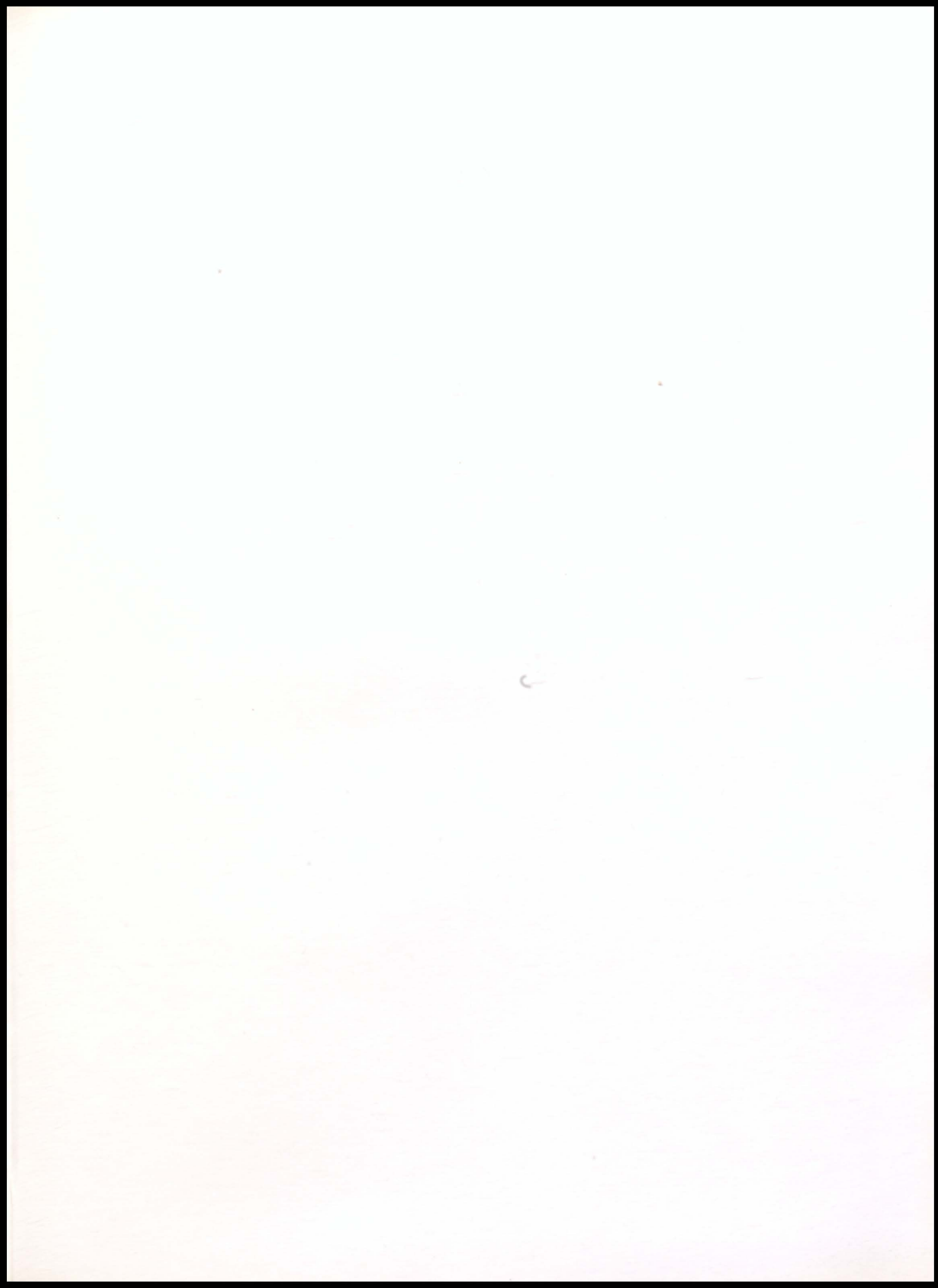
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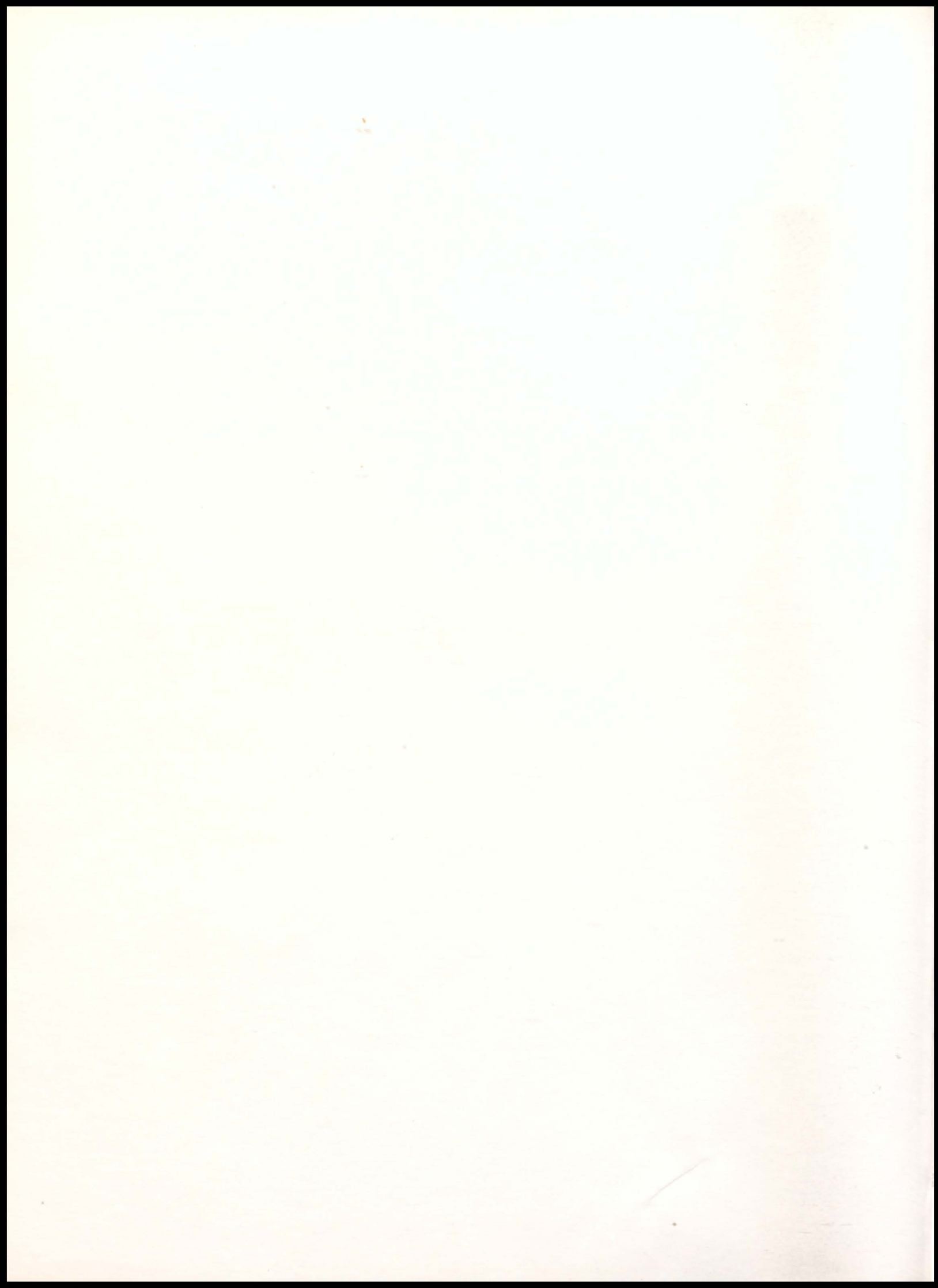
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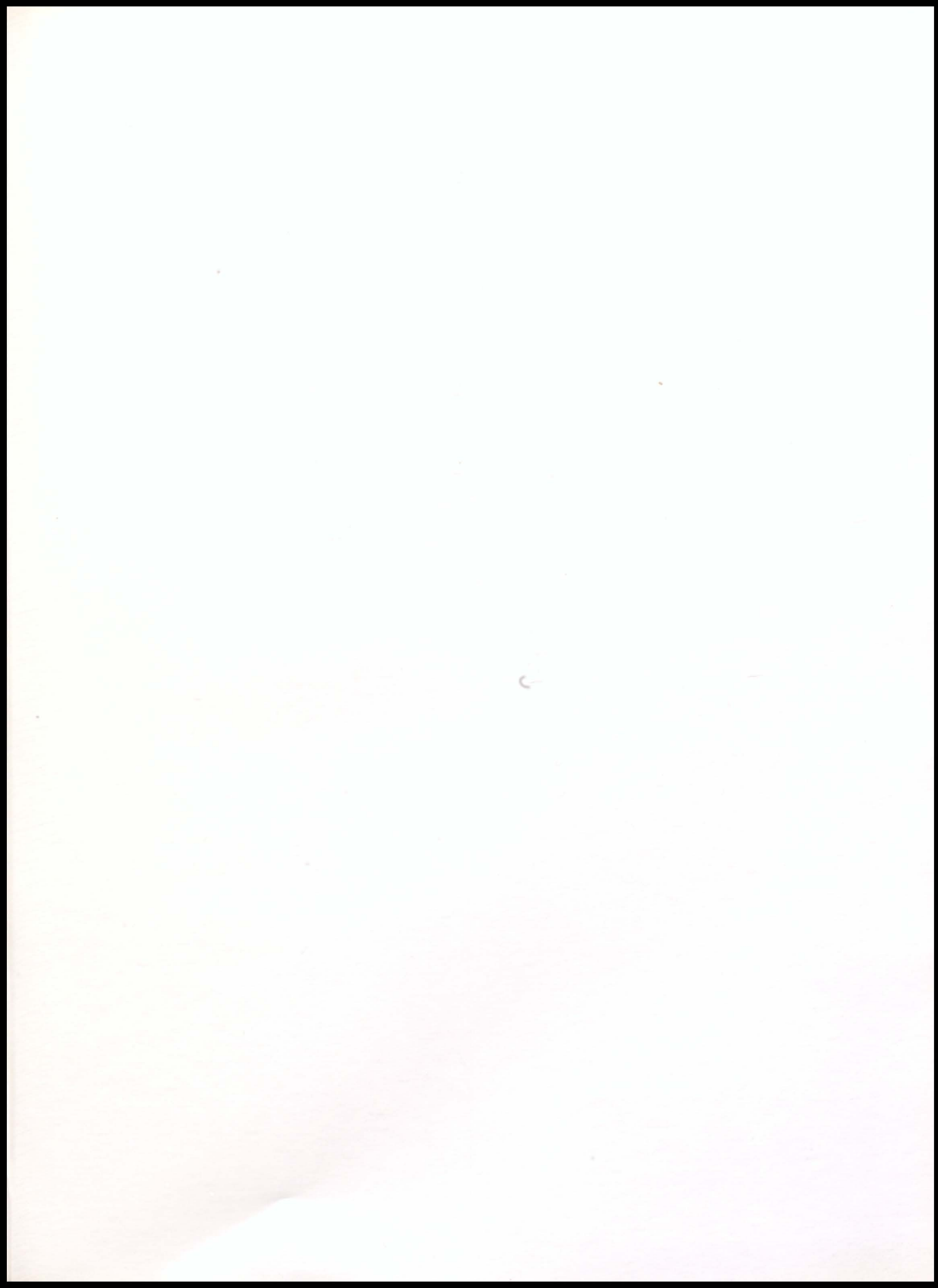
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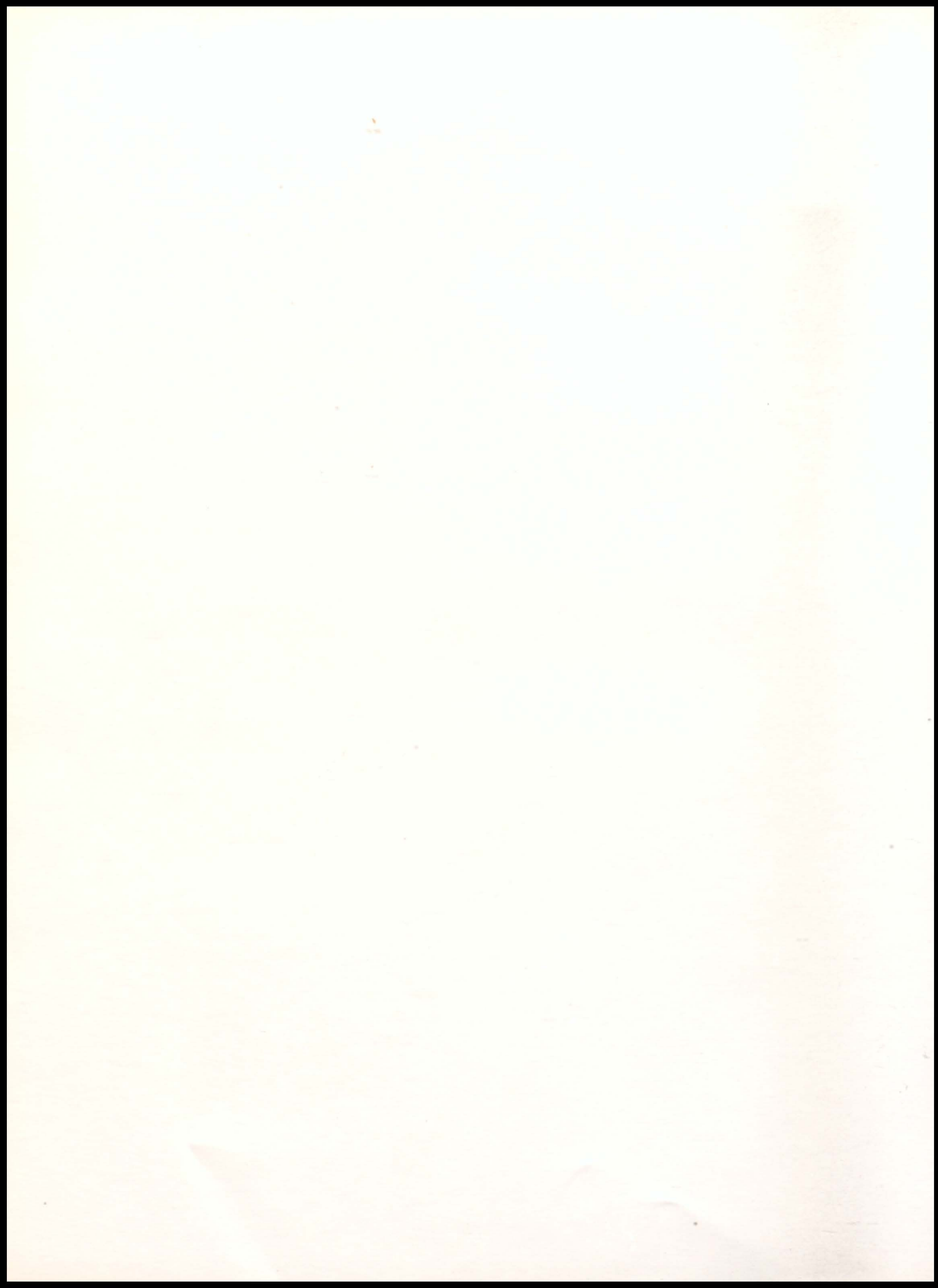
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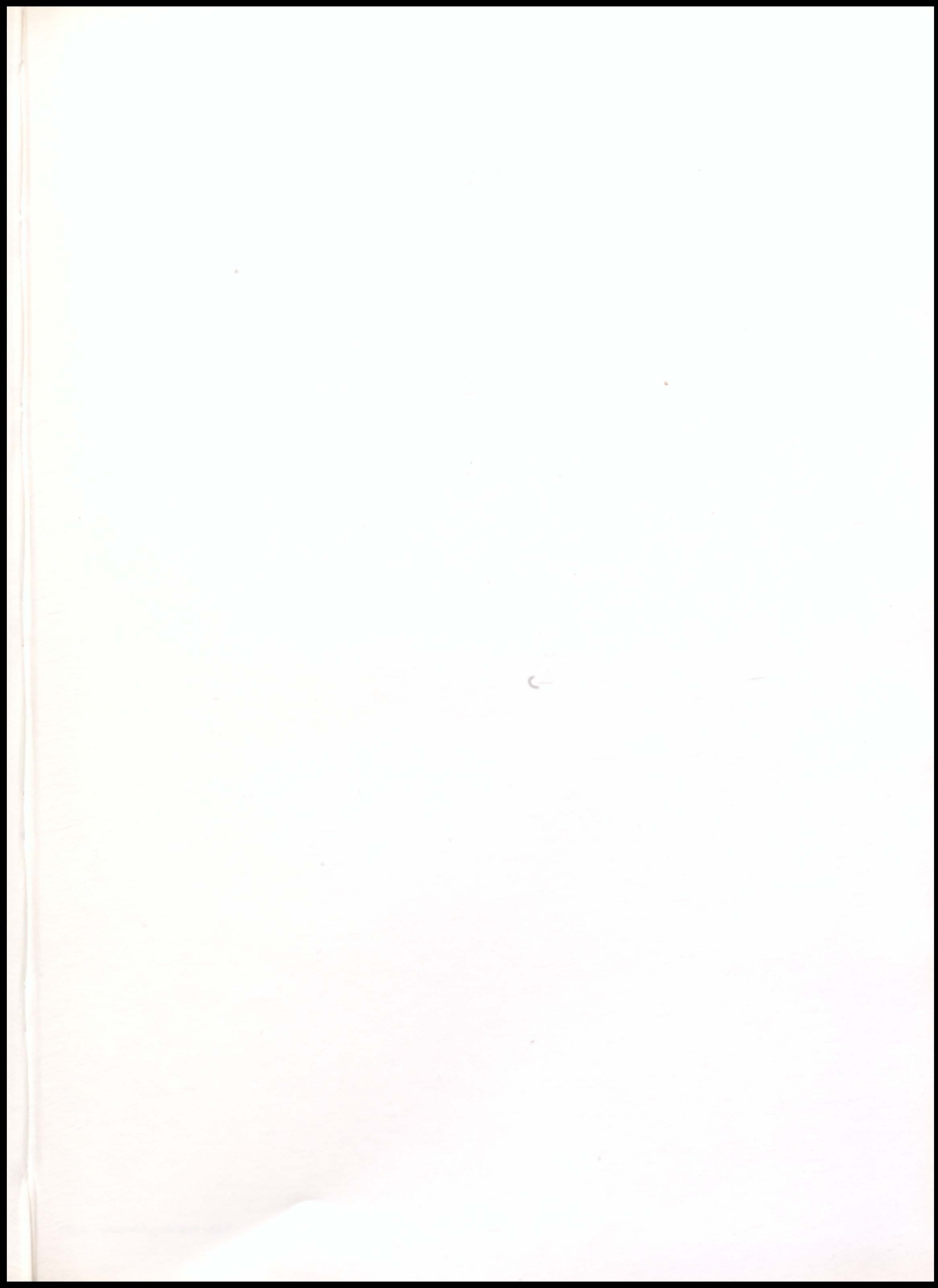
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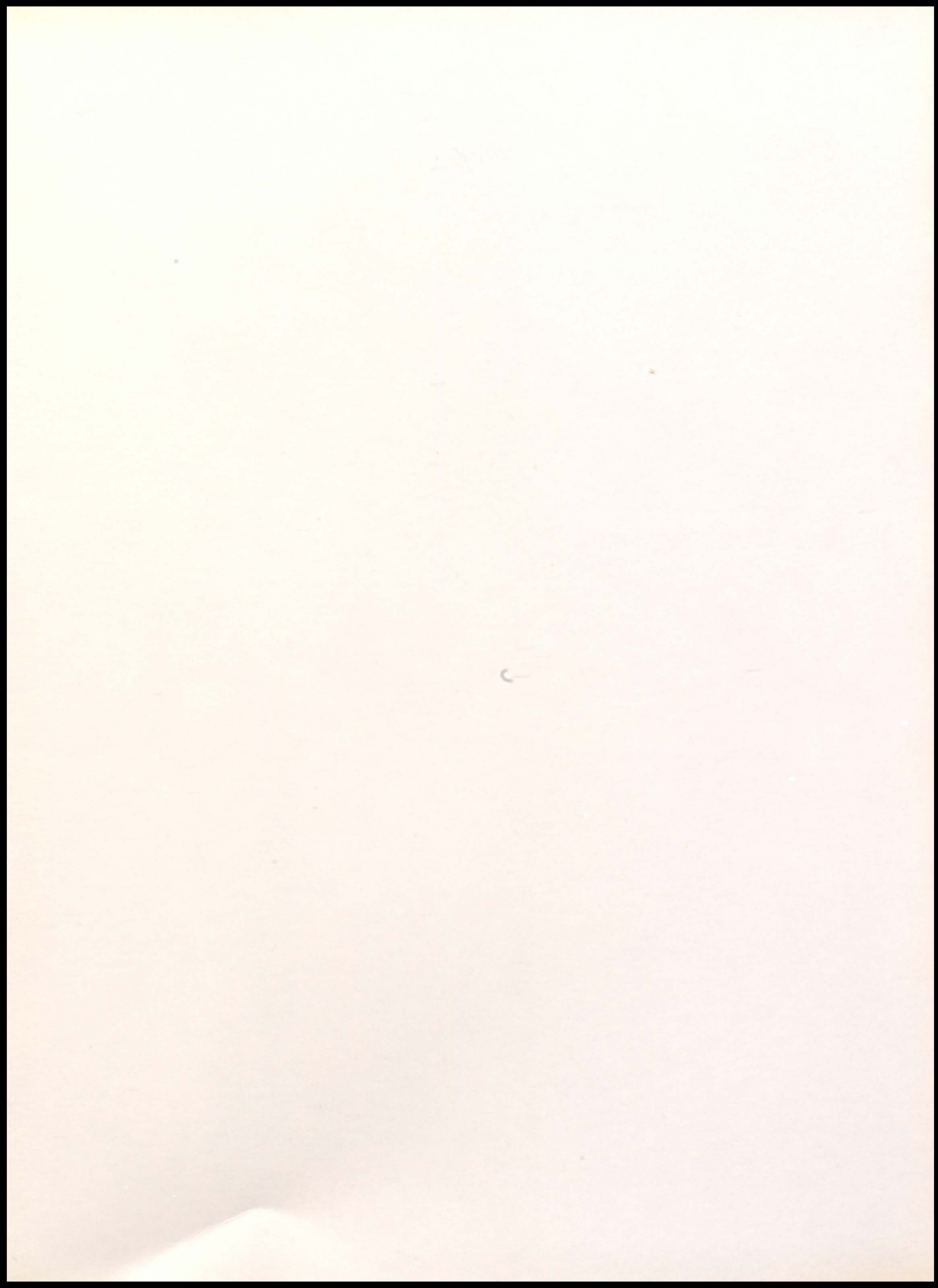














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