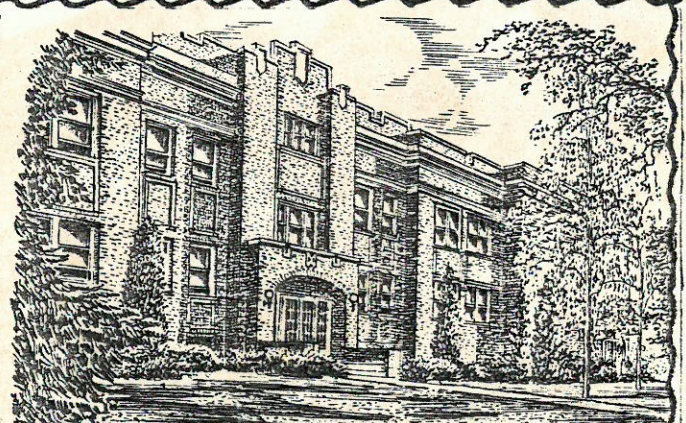


5 of these year books of RHS have been purchased and paid for by myself each year from 1958 on in the making of the banquet and Class scrap books. In order to have a complete set of them I am placing them in these frames which can be kept on file for reference at any future time and should be kept in the Alumni Vault at all times. Those I have not used up can be utilized at the discretion of the Ritzville High School Alumni Association. I hereby present to the R. H.S. A.A.

Ritzville High School 1928



Dr. & Mrs.
E. Leroy
Gilson
209 Downey
Avenue.
Modesto,
Calif
95354



The present Ritzville High School

Ritzville High School 1925
Ritzville, Washington

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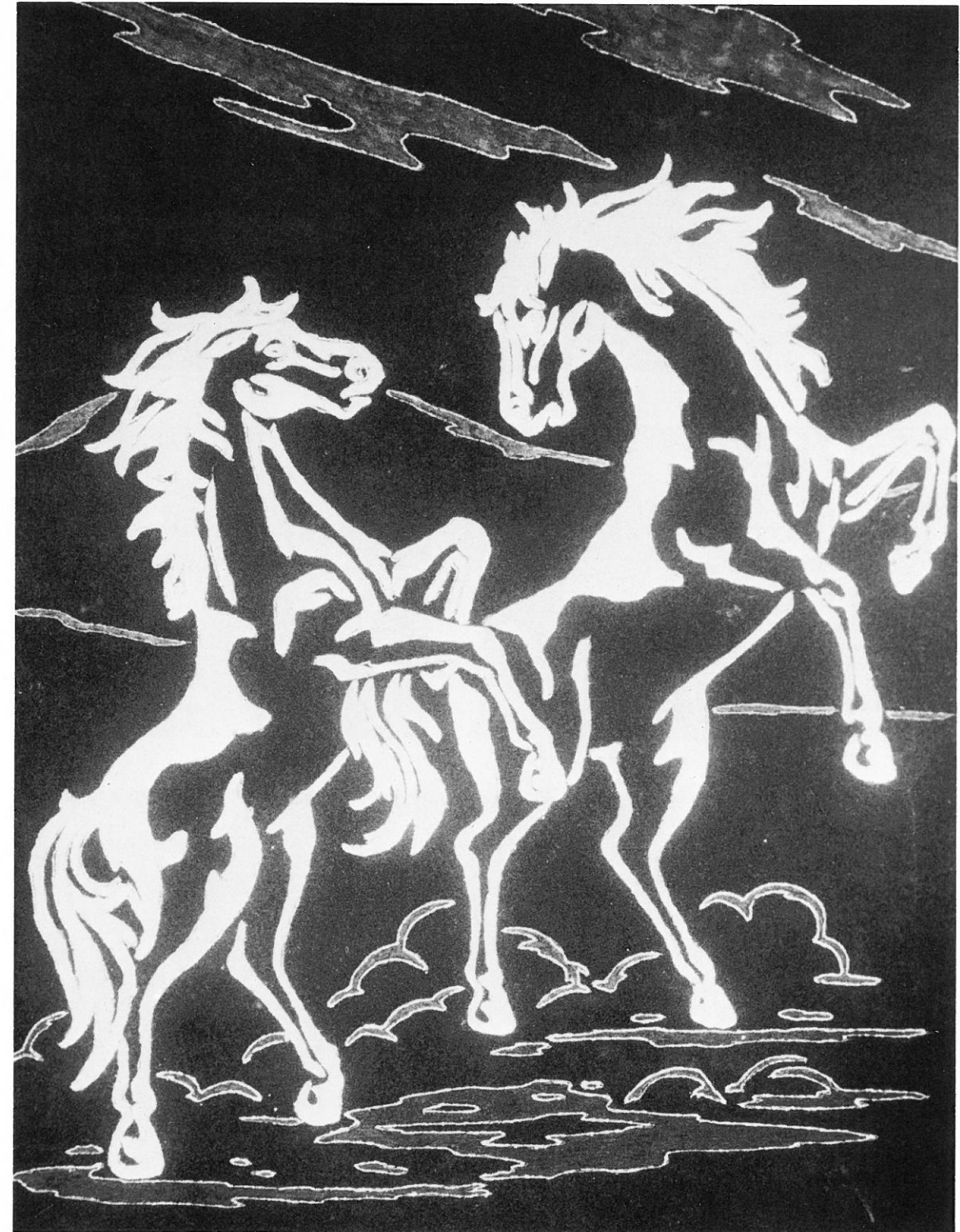
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1909



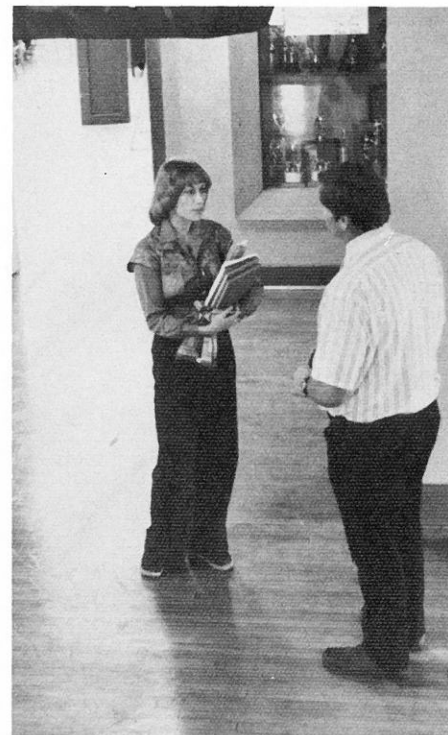
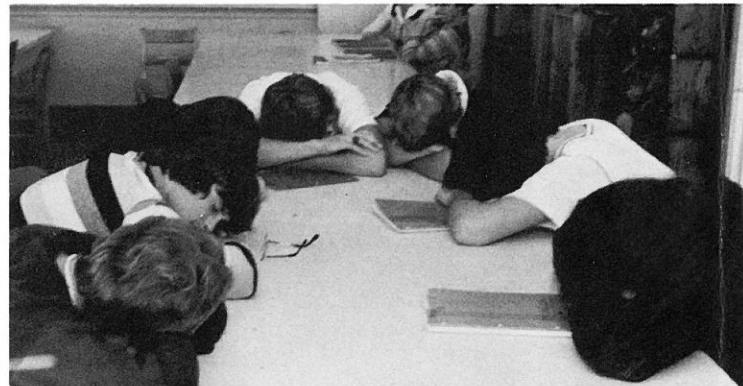
Ritzville Central School building where I started in the first grade in Sept, 1897 & graduated in the same building in 1909. The part under the belfrey was built in the middle 80s and the new part on the right was completed in 1903 at a cost of \$20,000.

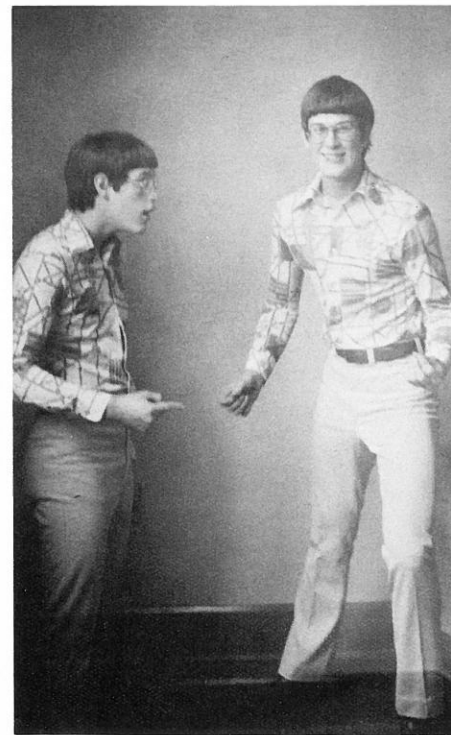
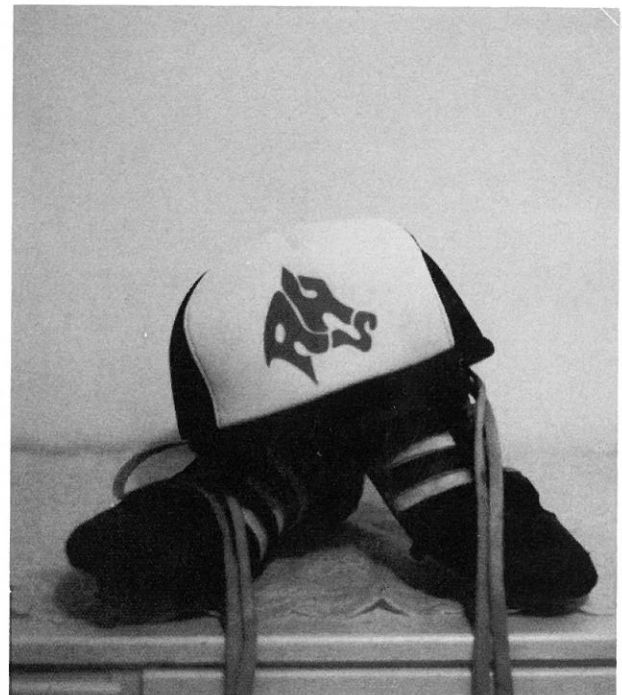
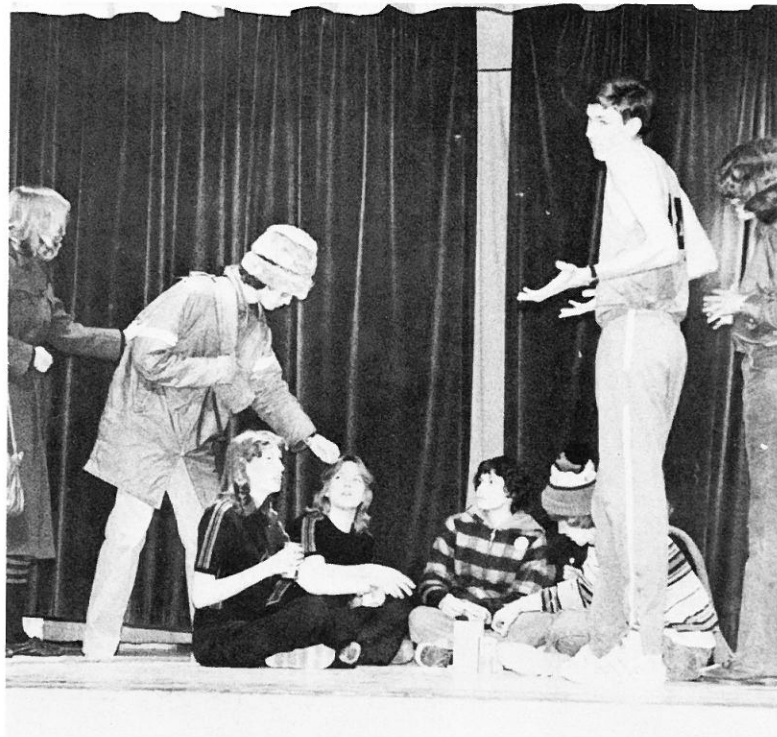
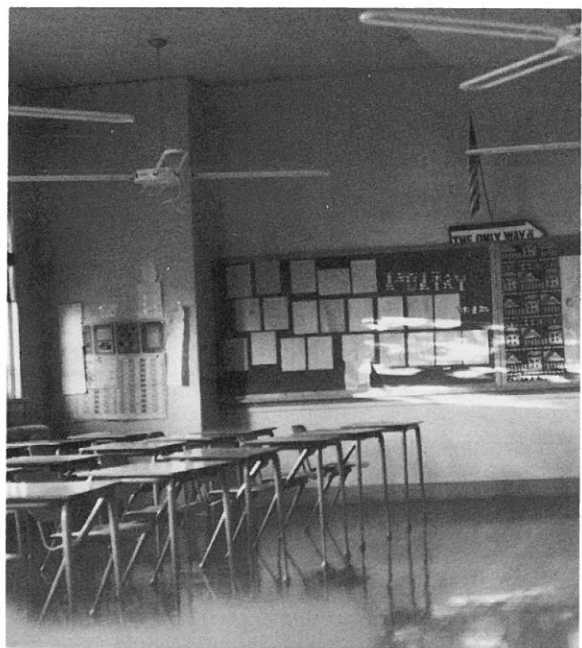
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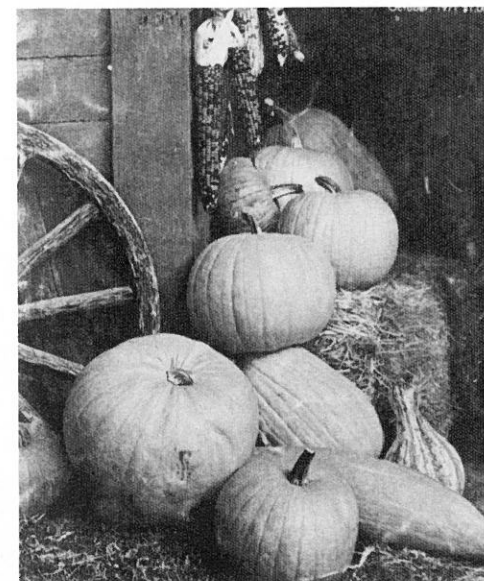
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Fall

Harvest in
 Summer over
 Back to prison
 for 180 days
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 New kids
 Stupid frosh
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 Leaf fights
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 Colorful, beautiful trees
 Gnats
 Bad weather
 Swimming in ice water
 Freezing at
 football games
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 Double practices
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 A.S.V.A.B. and
 P.S.A.T. tests
 Prom (invisible band)
 F.F.A. dance



Faculty of RHS



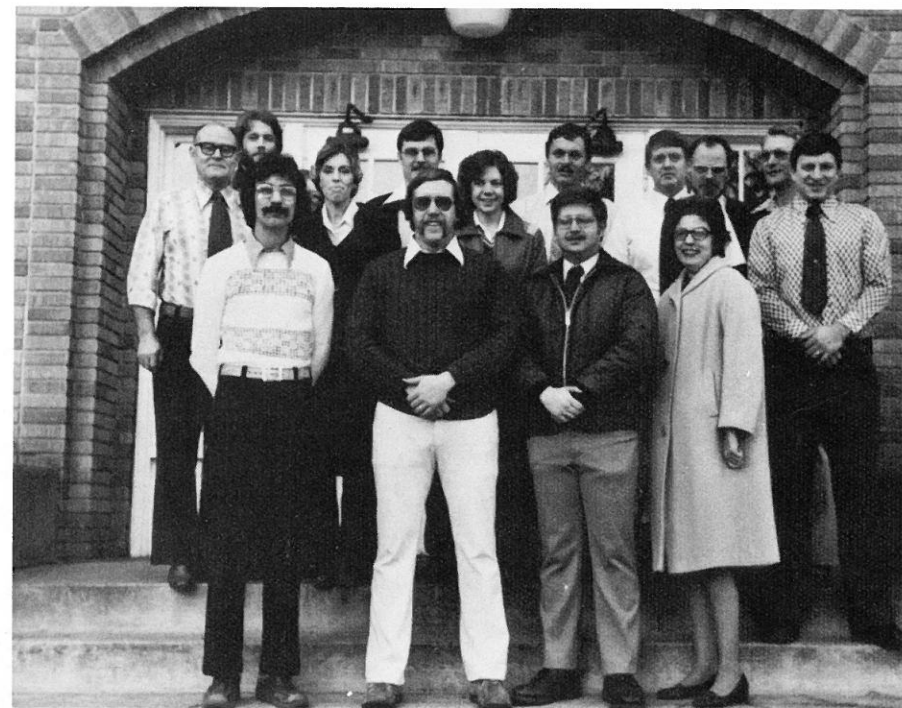
School Board Members: Mr. Bill Curtis, Mr. Larry Kison, Mr. Bruce Hille, Mrs. Sally Powers, Mr. Kirk Danekas, Principal Lynn Lupfer, Superintendent Mr. John Eikum.



Our secretary, Mrs. Miller, busy as usual.



Mr. Lupfer caught in the act of making a "donut run" at the A & C BAKERY.



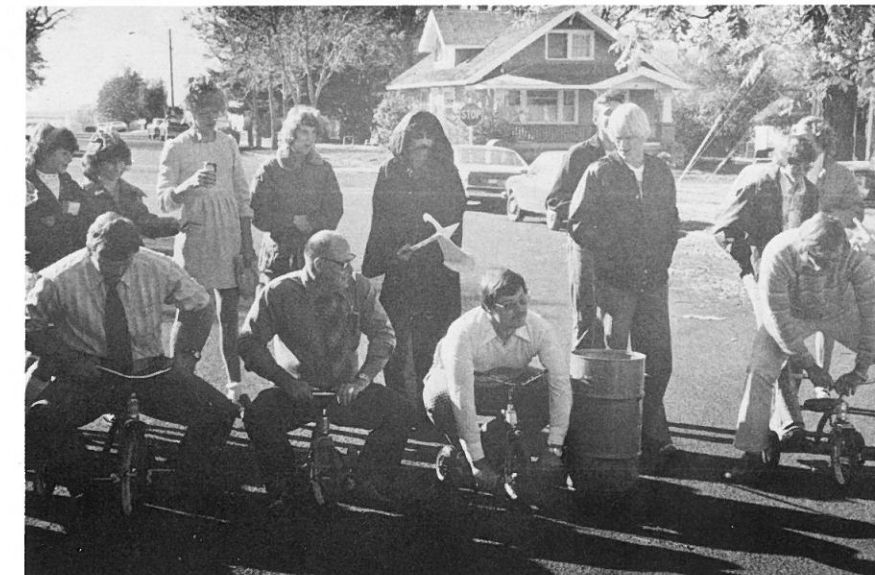
Back row: Mr. Mel Hurst, Mr. Dean Matson, Mrs. Sharon Hankins, Mr. Mike Jacobs, Miss Claudia McNeilly, Mr. Lynn Lupfer, principal, Mr. Denny Humphrey, Mr. Walker, Mr. Dennis Koch, Mr. Don Olsen. Front row: Mr. Dennis Phillips, Mr. Mike Lynch, Mr. Mike Schrag, Mrs. Jean Gaittens.



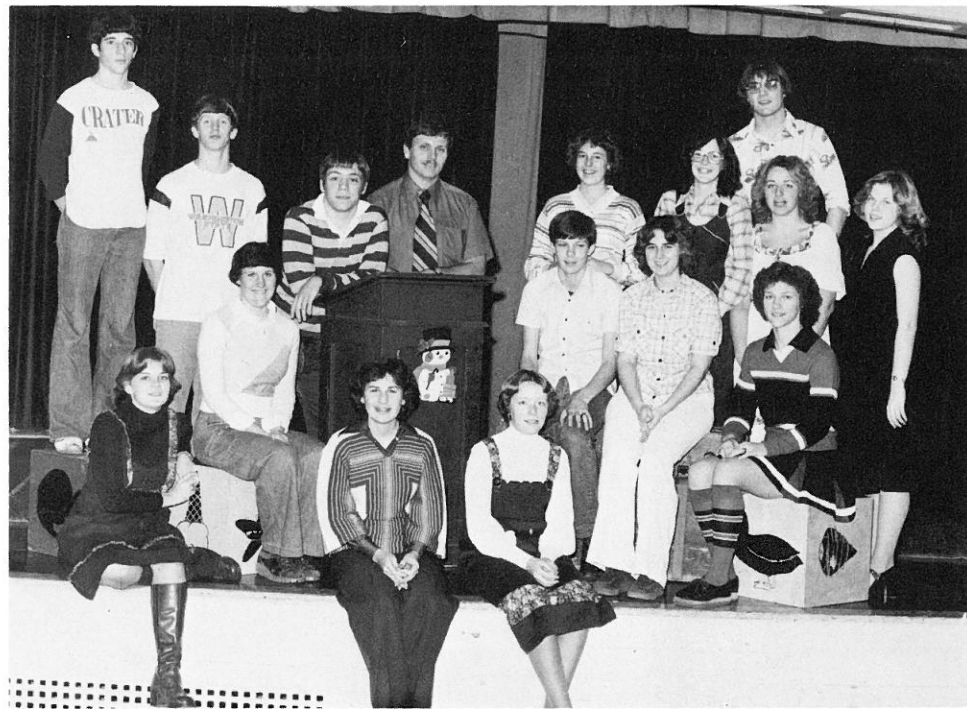
Many changes in the staff at RHS have taken place. The year started out with a significant change in the administration. Mr. John Eikum took the position of Superintendent and Mr. Lynn Lupfer filled the post of RHS Principal. Three new additions were made to the teaching staff, Mrs. Jean Gaittens as librarian and English teacher, Mr. Jerry Walker as Spanish and German teacher and Mrs. Renee Matson as guidance counselor.

In an attempt to make all classes available to students, a double class structure was added. During one period, two different classes were taught by the same instructor.

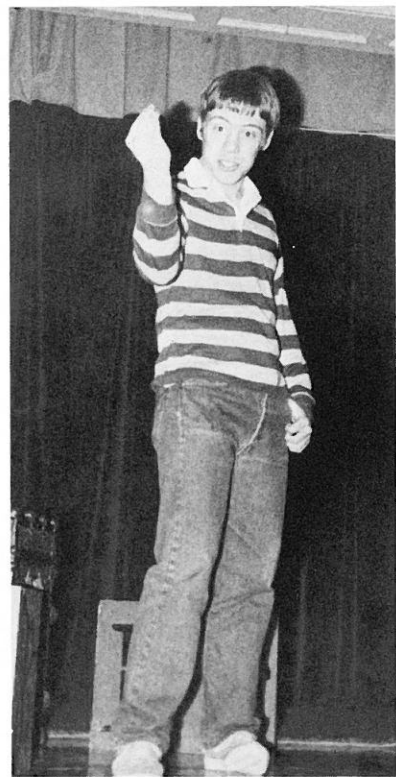
Halfway through the year a change in teachers was made. Mrs. Harriot Lynch took over underclassmen English so that Mrs. Gaittens could devote full time to the library. Mrs. Paula Hille was hired to teach Spanish and Mr. Ernie Sprenger was hired to teach German; both replaced Mr. Walker.



Leadership



B. Row: M. Miller, J. Humphery, B. Sauer, M. Sanger, S. Schell, R. Jirava, H. Grams, H. Harder. F. Row: M. Hardt, S. Klein, M. Meyer, C. Janssen, T. Williamson, D. McCormick, C. Sprenger.



Brian shows leadership.

All organizations require direction to function smoothly. At RHS, the student council and the administration work together to solve problems to improve our school. This gives the students a major voice in determining the direction of our school.

One of the first problems faced by the council this year was the vacancy of the vice-president office. The former vice-president moved from Ritzville, so new elections were held.

The council also set up the Constitution Committee. It is this committee's job to handle amendments to the ASB constitution. The purchase of a disco sound system was also examined by the council.

Perhaps the biggest hurdle faced by the hard working representatives was the problem of distributing concession money. A steady concessions staff was hired. The council voted to divide the profits between the ASB and the four classes. Another fund was set aside to be distributed to organizations at the council's discretion.

There will always be problems to solve, but people working hard and together can find solutions.

In order to have a truly representative student government the students must voice their desire and opinions. It is through the student council that these feelings are expressed and acted upon.



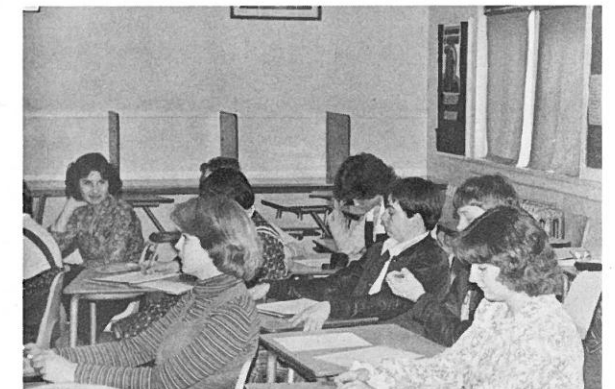
Secretary, S. Klein, President, B. Sauer, Asst. Treasurer, M. Sanger, V. President, T. Williamson, Treasurer, S. Schell.



Class and ASB treasurers get helpful banking tips from RAINIER BANK. "Look for us in your neighborhood." Larry Kison, manager.



Mona and Tom think hard about the situation.



Council shows concern.



"My way or not at all!"

Where it Begins . . . Publications



Above: Top to Bottom: M. Weber, B. Sauer, H. Grams, J. Patterson, J. Russell, L. Heider, R. Snowden, M. Kagele, N. Tilden, B. Barnes, J. Humphrey, Advisor Mr. Phillips, S. Kagele, S. Schell, G. Goodwater, M. Hardt, M. Stelzer.
Below: Ron has things on his mind — not work.



Working hard and diligently, the Publications class was out to produce the best publications that ever emerged from this school.

With the loss of organizational concessions, the class was forced with financial problems. The cost to produce the annual was way beyond our assets. We decided to run business picture ads to be incorporated within the layout of the annual as a method of raising money. The business would pay various fees for their ad, depending on the size of the ad. The annual still has the contribution page, for those not wishing to run a picture ad, which is in the back of the book. The system proved very successful, and the staff made enough money to produce the book, as well as pay off some old debts.

The annual side of the class was led by Editor Mary Mae Hardt and Assistant Editor Michelle Stelzer. The Harvester was produced by Editor Steve Kagele and Assistant Editor Lori Heider.

We hope you've enjoyed the Harvester this year, as well as this annual, both of which were brought to you in living black and white with much help from our advisor, Mr. Phillips.



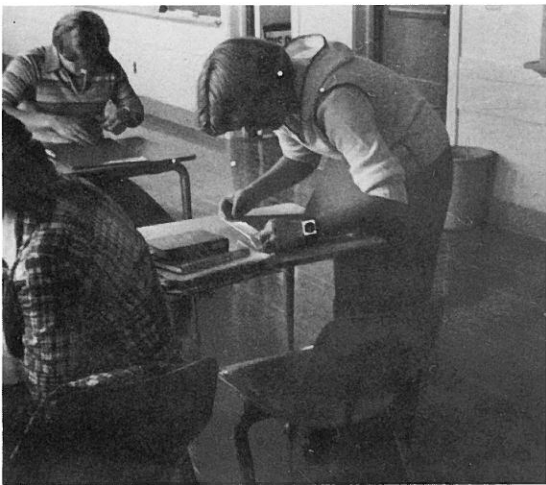
Life is not always work.



L. Heider and S. Kagele downtown working on The Harvester with the help of THE JOURNAL. Located at 216 West Railroad Ave., THE JOURNAL is the place for all your printing needs.



Assistant Ed. Michelle Stelzer and Ed. Mary Mae Hardt.



Mary Mae works while Mike fakes it.



Our photographers graphically display the reason for some of our picture quality.



A rare occasion—Terrie is working.

Future Homemakers



Top: J. Macken, C. Miller, S. Kison, S. Klein, M. Meyer, D. McCormick, H. Hille, M. Kagele, T. Wilsey, L. Kanzler, P. Bowman, C. Evans, H. Harder, N. Gust, C. Ulleland, C. Templin, T. Schafer, Miss C. McNeilly. 2nd row: G. Schwisow, D. Kagele, L. Iltz, S. Kembel, M. Weber, K. McCrady, L. Ahern, R. Snowden, G. Ford. 3rd row: D. Richie, S. Pedigo, A. Adams, K. Huffman, J. Kagele, R. Reeves, S. Gunsch.



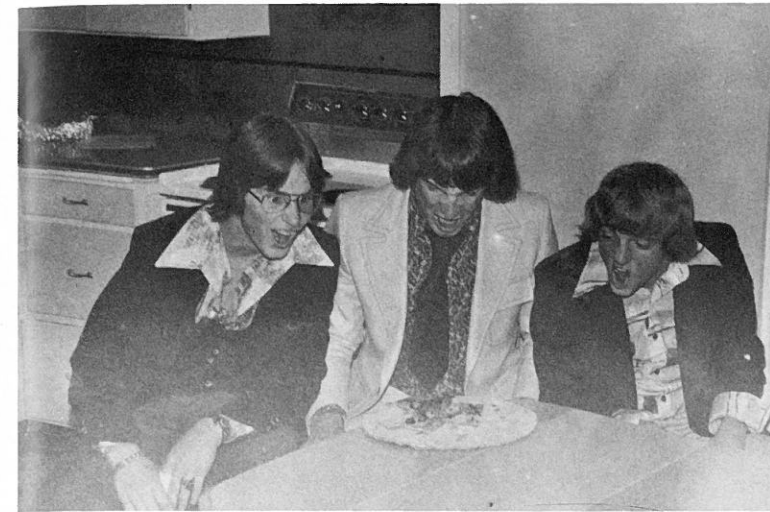
F.H.A. Executive Council: Top: Home Ec. II Rep.- P. Bowman, Home Ec. 3 Rep.- M. Weber, Scrapbook Chairman- C. Miller, Degree Chairman- H. Hille, Secretary- C. Ulleland, Songleader- S. Klein, Vice-President- D. McCormick, President- H. Harder, Treasurer- C. Evans, Yearbook 2- M. Meyer, Yearbook 1- L. Kanzler, Home Ec. 1 Rep.- S. Pedigo.

The Ritzville F.H.A. participated actively on the local, state, and National levels in the 1977-78 school year. In July, the local chapter was represented at the 1977 National Leadership Meeting in Seattle by Heidi Harder, Joann Macken, and Miss McNeilly, advisor.

Late in September, the chapter held its formal initiation. The guest speaker was Miss Betty Lea Trout. Twenty members were initiated.

This year's indepth project was changing the room next to the old woodshop downstairs into a student lounge. Other major activities this year were; the Mother's Tea, the Dad's Banquet, and roller skating.

Looking to the future, the F.H.A. hopes to increase membership in the years to come and keep chapter participation on the rise.



Here we see Ron, Steve, and Larry enjoying the fringe benefits of F.H.A.



Obviously, Colleen enjoys modeling her handiwork!



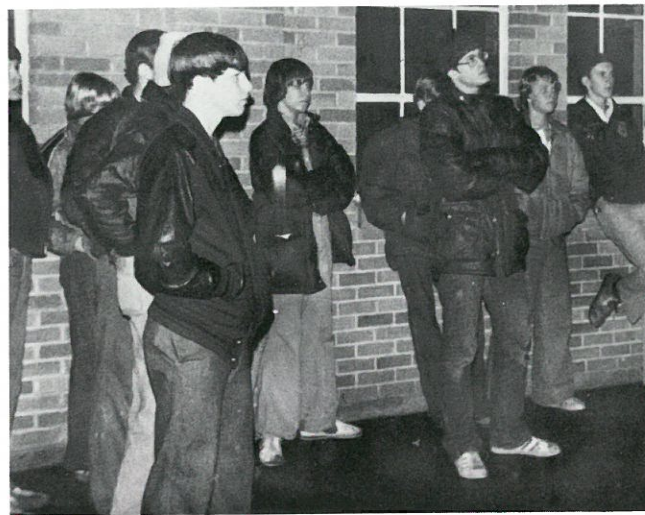
"Look out, Klay!" says Mary Kay. "Well, excuuuuse me!" says Klay.



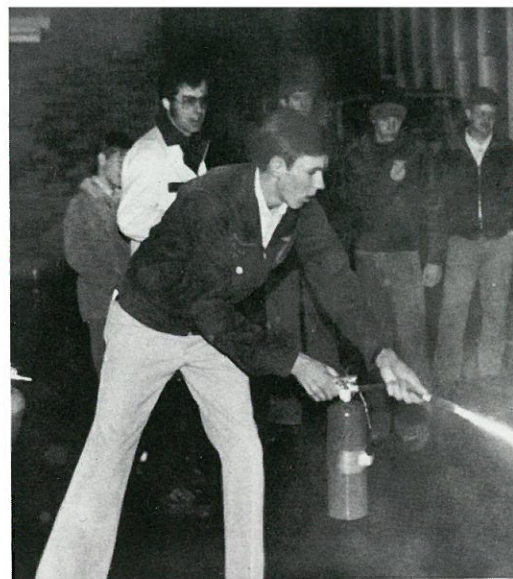
Believe it or not, the Frosh did something constructive at the Rest Home!



F.H.A. shops at ERNIE'S, so why don't you? ERNIE'S - 202 West Main.



Members closely watching fire safety demonstration.



Why don't you just blow it out, Jim?

Future Farmers of America



I think it would look better over there.



Don't laugh, you \$%=&\$#, or I'll hit YOUR thumb!



This year's tuber judges.

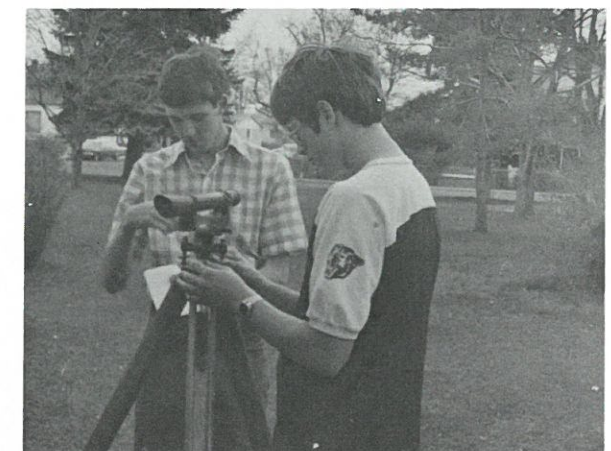
Probably the most involving of the fall and winter activities is the Adams County Fair. The FFA sold hamburgers again, set up a weed display and an educational display, and many of the members entered animals or shop projects.



Sophomores win banner.



BIG BEND FERTILIZER makes for good crops.



Jim and Klay studying scope for Ag Mechanics contest.



MARCELLUS GRANGE SUPPLY
and SOIL SERVICE CENTER
Co-Operate and Save
"Where the Customer is the Company"
West 704 First, East 703 First
Ritzville, Washington
Bill Moeller, Manager



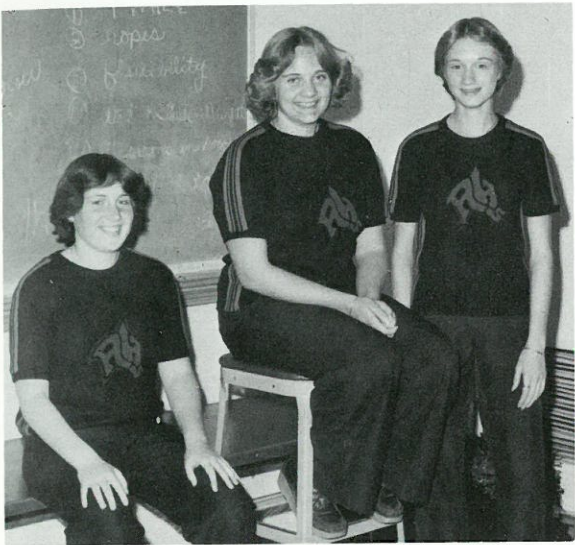
Members won several banners at animal contests.

Leather Pie Squad



NAME	NO.	YEAR	POSITION	C-SQUAD			
A-SQUAD				Sandy Arp	11	9	Setter
Michelle Stelzer	10	11	Setter	Aileen Adams	50	9	Spiker
Lori Heider	15	11	Spiker	Ronda Reeves	51	11	Spiker
*Susan Kison	21	12	Setter	Annine Harder	52	10	Spiker
Robyn Harder	24	10	Spiker	*Julie Kagele	53	10	Spiker
Janet Miller	31	11	Setter	Denis Kagele	54	9	Spiker
Cindy Sprenger	33	12	Spiker	Coletta Kagele	55	9	Spiker
Mary Mae Hardt	42	12	Setter	Kara Wilsey	57	9	Spiker
*Holli Grams	43	12	Spiker				
Teresa Babbitt	44	10	Spiker				
B-SQUAD				SEASON RECORD: A-SQUAD			
Robin Curtis	12	9	Spiker	Ritzville vs. Sprague	W	15-2,15-7	
Dona Miller	13	10	Setter	Ritzville vs. Freeman	W	15-8,5-15,15-9	
Paige Harder	14	9	Spiker	Ritzville vs. Liberty	W	5-6,15-5	
Kathy Klein	20	9	Setter	Ritzville vs. Odessa	W	15-1,15-4	
Suzanne Lefevre	22	10	Setter	Ritzville vs. Almira	W	15-9,15-1	
Cindy Grimm	23	9	Setter	Ritzville vs. Creston	W	15-3,15-8	
Cindy Ruthven	25	10	Spiker	Ritzville vs. Wilbur	W	15-8,15-10	
*Nancy Iltz	30	10	Setter	Ritzville vs. Davenport	W	15-10,15-5	
Colleen Evans	32	9	Spiker	Ritzville vs. Lind	W	15-9,15-4	
Tina Yartz	34	11	Setter	Ritzville vs. Harrington	L	7-15,13-15	
Donna Knoll	40	9	Spiker	Ritzville vs. Reardan	W	15-7,15-3	
Debbie Grams	45	9	Setter	TOURNAMENTS			
				Bi-County vs. Harrington	L	6-15,7-15	
				District vs. Springdale	W	15-13,15-4	
				District vs. Freeman	L	12-15,15-11,13-15	
				District vs. Curlew	L	9-15,15-6,1-15	

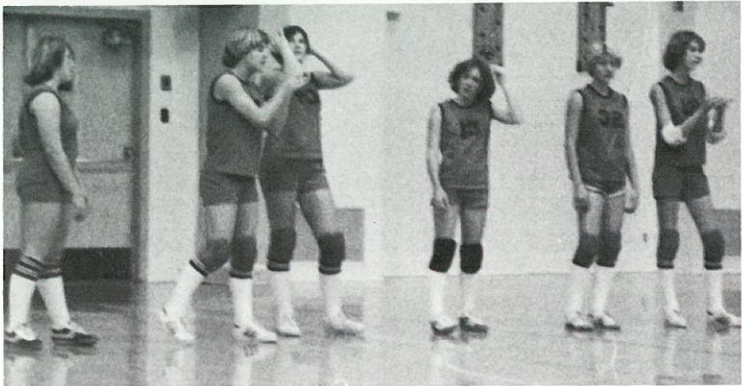
*Denotes Captains



Our stats: P. Bowman, T. Schafer and K. Schell



This is our Coach?!?



Did someone say Volleyball?



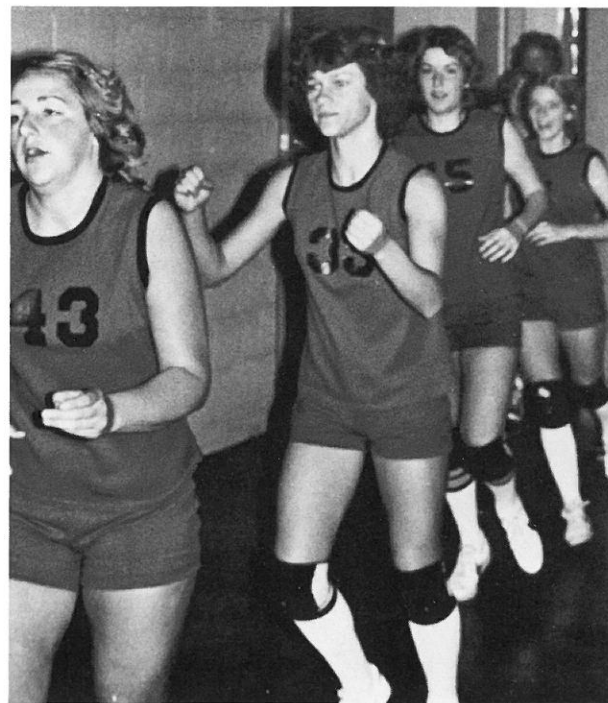
The bench looks on.



What are we supposed to do???



A bit of a break.



Here We Come!!!



This is our Team?



Let's go BLLAACK!!!



Team Takes a Timeout.



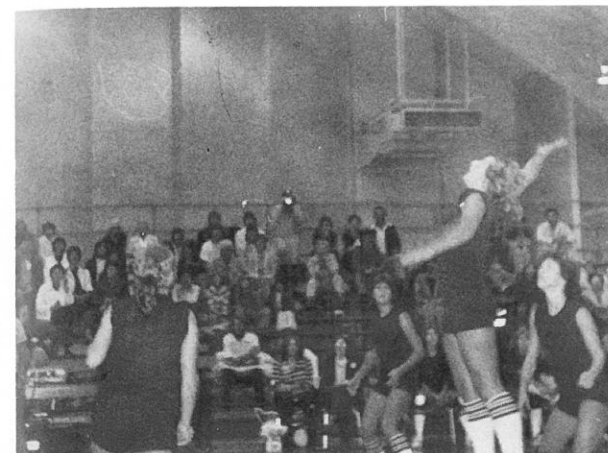
Lookin' Professional.

The volleyball varsity experienced a good, but disappointing year. The girls could not make it past Harrington all year; losing during the season and again at Bi-County. The girls went to District in 2nd place and started with a big win over Springdale. The next two matches were an upset: losing to Freeman and Curlew, leaving disappointment where spirit prevailed.

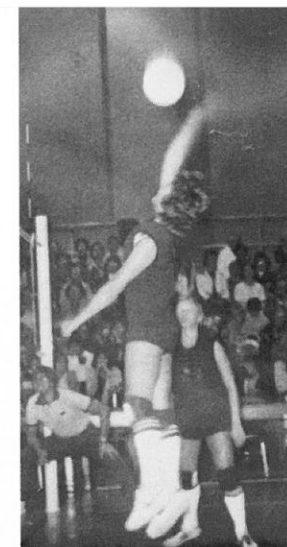
The J.V.'s also had their exciting moments. They kicked off the season by beating Sprague. Their next game was equally as good, overcoming Liberty. The J-ver's ended their season with twice as many wins as losses.

The C-Squad entered the season with many exciting moments. The majority of their games went three games: the Odessa game being a prime example; 13-15, 15-8, 15-9. The C-Squad ended victorious, as did the Varsity and J.V.'s.

The girls should all have many memorable experiences after the 1977 season, such as: Robin Curtis' tango with the Spike-It, Mary Mae's front dives, Spiderwoman Robyn Harder, Lori Heider's diaper, Rubber Lady Susan Kison, Mosquito Dona Miller and many more antics.



Team sets it up for the kill.



Lori goes for it!!!



PASTIME SPORTS CENTER supports the girls.



Award winners: Ronda Reeves-Most Improved, Holli Grams-Most Valuable, Cindy Sprenger-Most Inspirational.

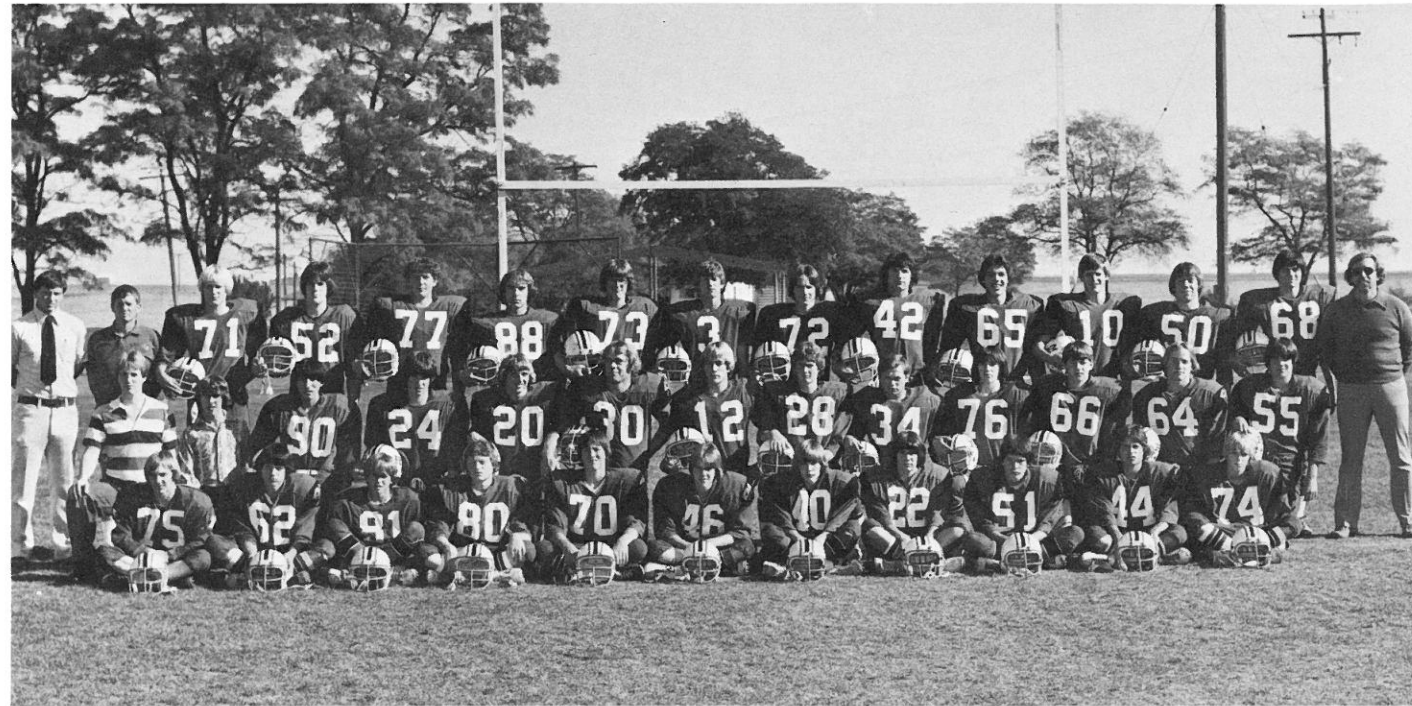
"Holli Power"



Cindy "springing" for a victory.



Footballers Have



Front, left to right; M. Geschke, M. Harder, S. Sanger, R. Allert, D. Snowden, S. Schwisow, M. Heider, R. Schwisow, C. Kembel, D. Yartz, G. Weber. Middle; Trainer M. Weber, Manager J. Stevens, J. Ruegsegger, R. Kembel, L. Ahern, J. Weise, K. Hilzer, G. Schwisow, R. Nelson, D. Jech, J. Harder, J. Sewell, R. Manke. Back; Ass't. Coach D. Olson, Ass't. Coach D. Humphrey, E. Koch, M. Babbitt, S. Knoll, J. Glaspie, K. McCrady, J. Humphrey, R. Snowden, S. Kembel, R. Reitmeier, M. Sackmann, B. Sauer, D. Koehler, Head Coach M. Lynch.

In 1977, the Bronco football team enjoyed its finest season, under head coach Mike Lynch, narrowly missing the play-offs and ending the year with a 6-2 record.

After losing the initial game of the year 12-0 to Kittitas they opened up and won 5 straight games before losing a heart-breaker to Reardan and ending the season with a 7-0 victory over Davenport.

The Garfield Pirates were the first victims in our winning streak. League opponents Wilbur, Odessa, Freeman, and Liberty accounted for the next 4 wins.

Against Reardan, in the league title game, the Indians rolled to a 26-0 first half lead, before the Broncos came to life in the 3rd period. In that exciting 3rd quarter of play, the Broncos exploded for 20 points, closing the gap to 26-20, and ready to score another touchdown. But the next Reardan possession spelled disaster as Indian quarterback Rick Krupke galloped 60 yards for a score, to make the final tally 34-20.

In the win over Davenport, Ritzville regained a little pride and poise and beat the Gorillas on a touchdown pass from Kenny "Spud" Hilzer to Jeff Glaspie with 26 seconds left in the contest.

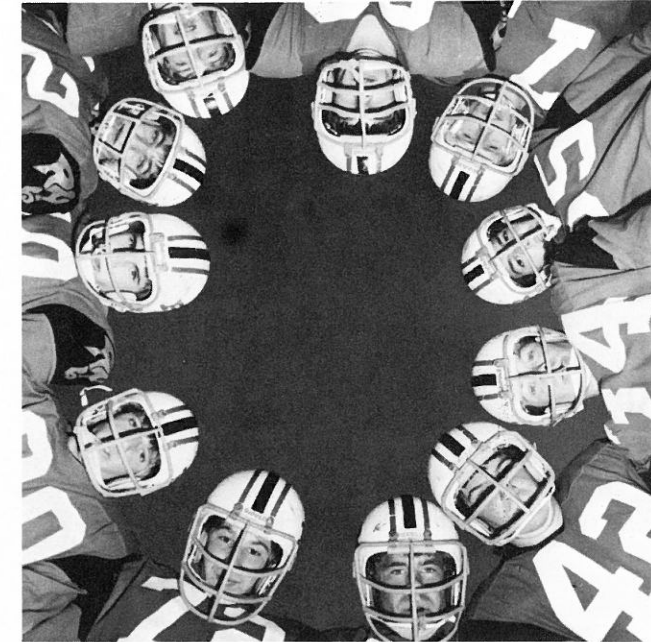
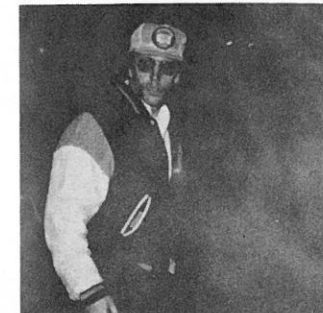
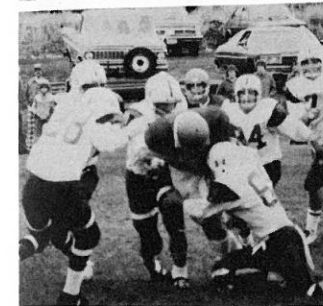
The Bronco J.V.'s had a struggling season, ending with a 4-3 record.

Coach Olson responded that there were no real highlights. Every game was real close, with no contest being really one sided.

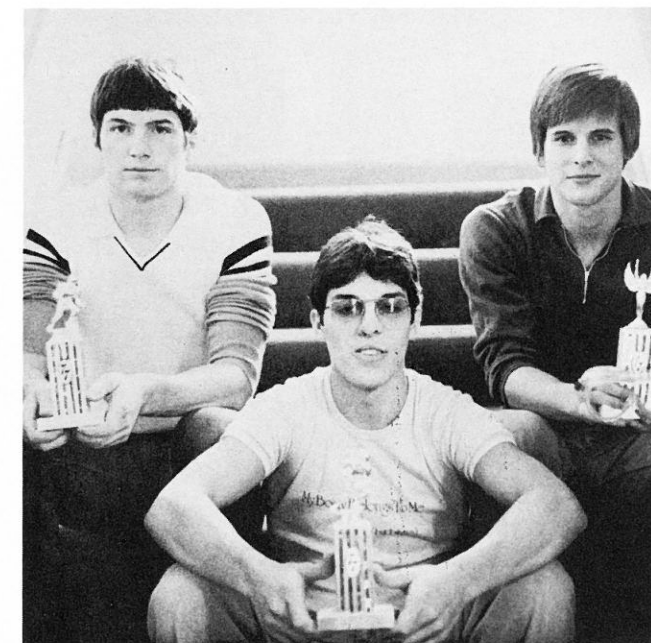


Our sometimes hardworking, but always present stats, C. Evans, L. Hodgson, D. Miller, and P. Harder.

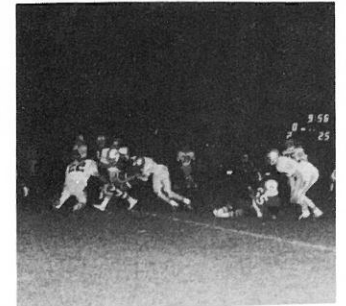
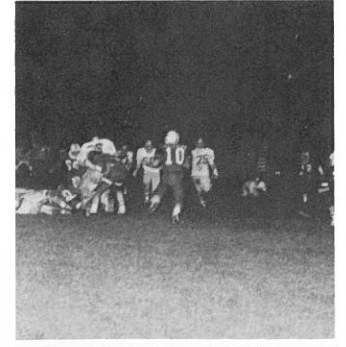
Winning Season



A 'Behind the Scenes' shot of our spirited defense, which allowed only 60 points all season, for an average of 7.5 points per contest.

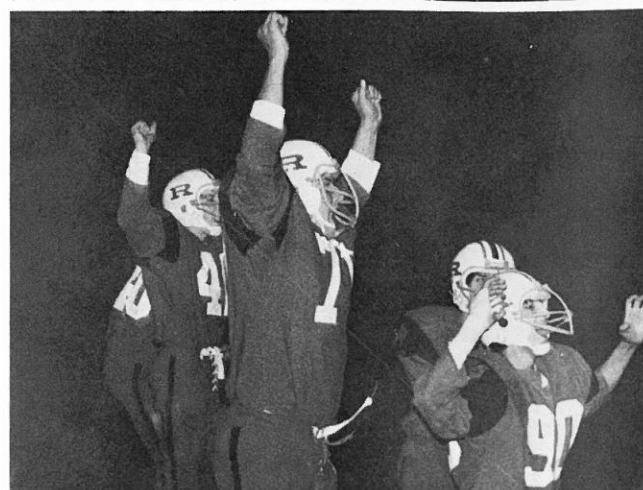
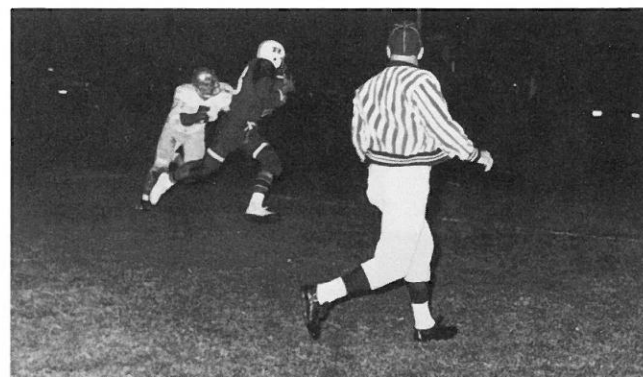


Left to Right; Outstanding Defense, Steve Kembel; Outstanding Blocker, Ross Reitmeier; Most Inspirational, Marty Sackmann. Missing is Larry Ahern, Most Improved Player.

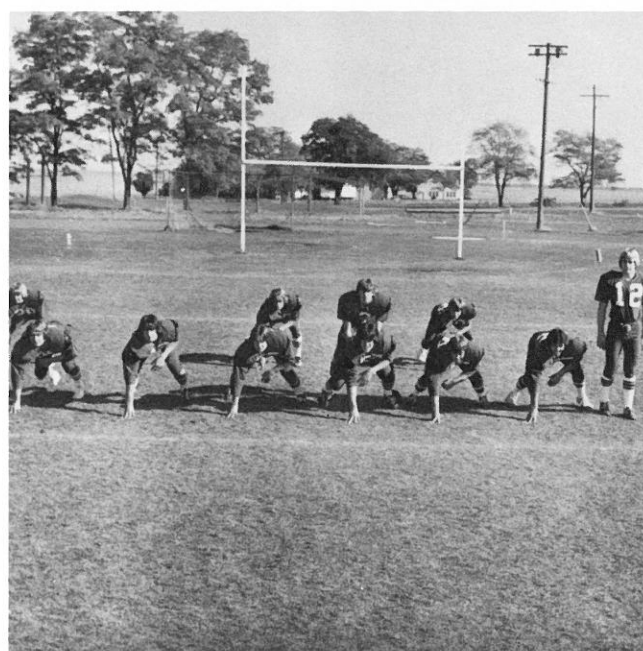




A WINNING FOOTBALL TEAM KNOWS THAT THE PLACE FOR GOOD MEALS IS 'JAKE'S CAFE'.

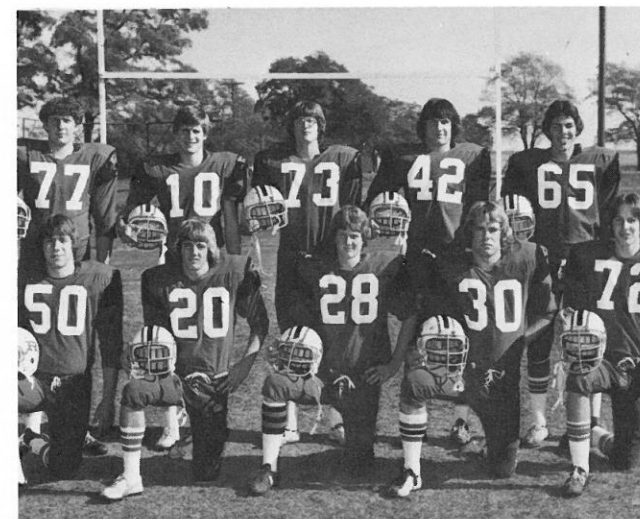
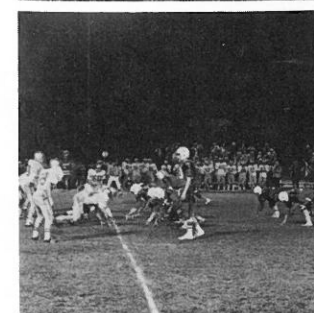
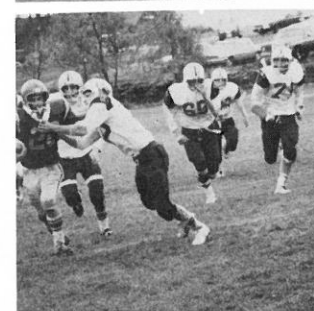
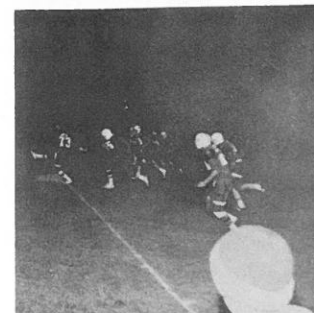


Above; Jeff Glaspie scores touchdown against Reardan, while Steve Knoll leads cheers on the Bronco sidelines, below.

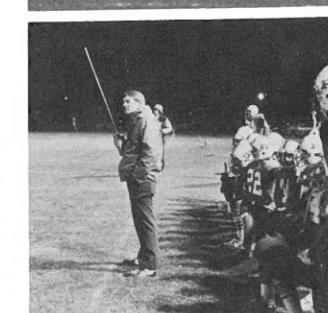
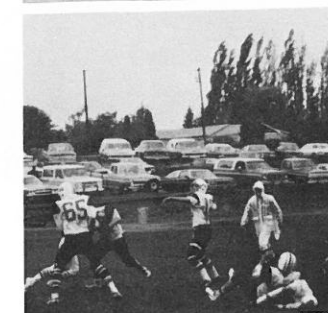
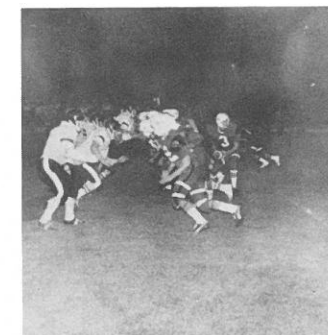


The varsity offense, in formation, that scored 169 points in 1977. Left to right; front, J. Glaspie, S. Kembel, R. Snowden, M. Babbitt, B. Sauer, R. Reitmeier, K. Hilzer. Back, L. Ahern, J. Weise, J. Humphrey, M. Sackmann.

A Football Season is a Time of Good and Bad,

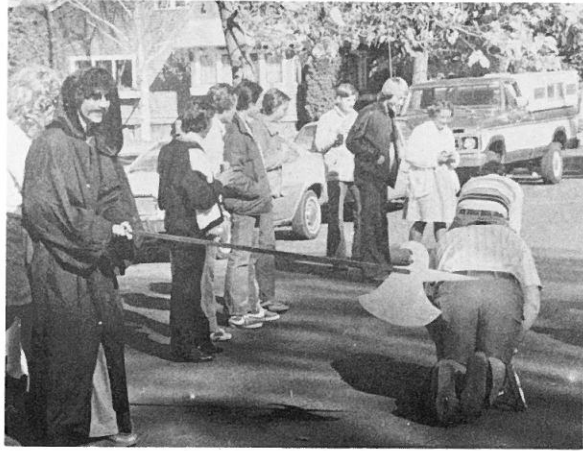


The 10 important seniors from the 1977 season. Front, left to right, B. Sauer, L. Ahern, G. Schwisow, J. Weise, R. Snowden. Back, S. Knoll, M. Sackmann, K. McCrady, S. Kembel, R. Reitmeier.



But One That Will Never Be Forgotten.'

Homecoming



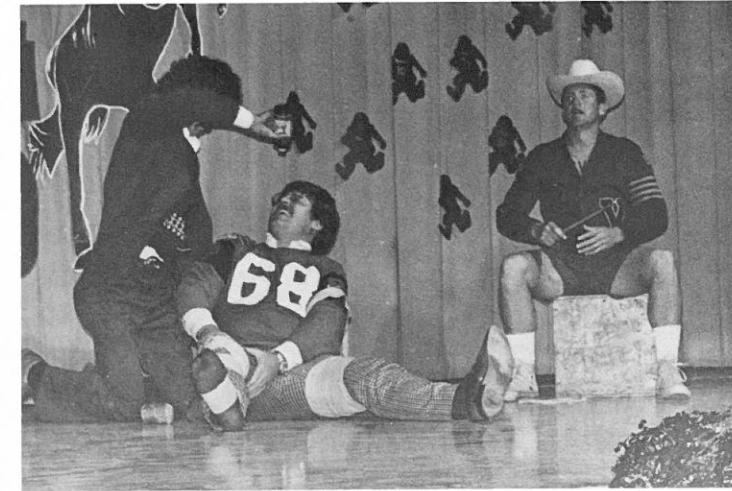
Mr. Phillips is pointing out Mr. Lupfer's better side.



Homecoming royalty: Freshman princess Renee Kison, Sophomore princess Lisa Kanzler, Junior princess Mona Sanger and Queen Holli Grams. Escorts: Marty Sackmann, Ross Reitmeier, Jay Weise, and Steve Kembel.



Seniors at their best on Cowboy Day. (Hang in there, Danny.)



Must be the three stooges!



Clown day. Yes, Jay, the camera sees you.



The students vs. the faculty.
The students won (of course).



How can they work with all the commotion of Homecoming?



Mr. Lupfer smiles on the freshman who are just being themselves.

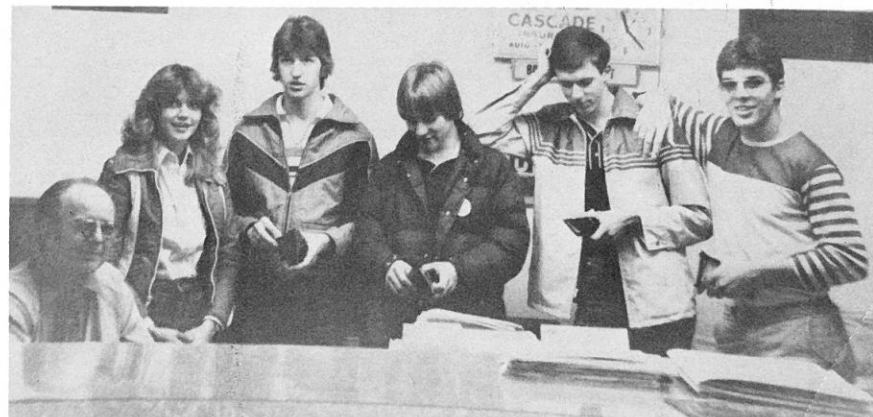


Queen Holli giving her speech.

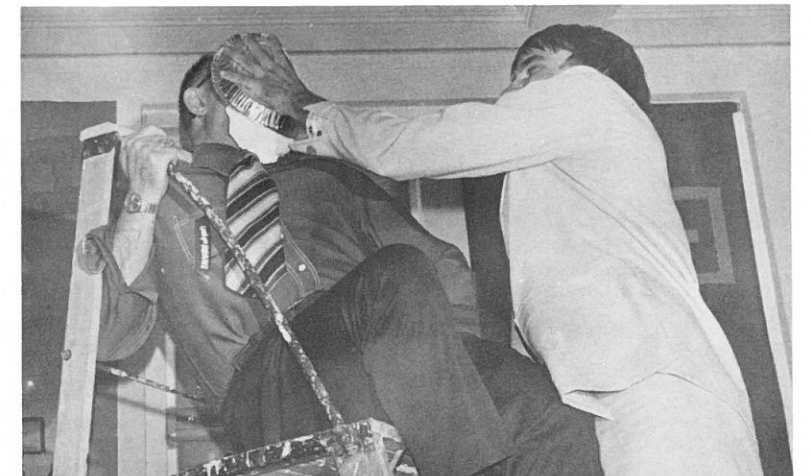
Seniors took the spirit jug for the homecoming week.



BOB BARNES HAASE INSURANCE AGENCY, 208 N. Washington Street-Who could need insurance more than Monty, Troy, Jesse, Jim, and Ross especially during Homecoming week?



How nice of Steve to hand feed Mr. Hurst.





The big night - November 10th.



Mike and Susan.



Dance to the music??



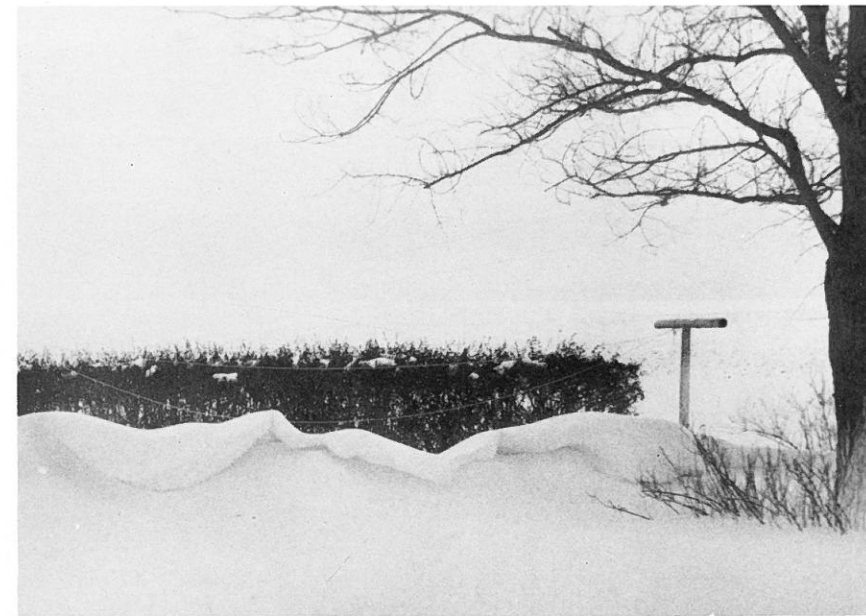
Good crowd, but where's the band?



Close encounters.

The evening of November 10th is one we'll all remember, especially the seniors. The evening of the Senior Prom looked like it was to be a huge success with the elaborate decorations done by the seniors, the full stomachs, thanks to the Senior Dinner at Heidi's and the good crowd at the dance. Everyone socialized in the hall while waiting to have their pictures taken and for the arrival of the band. The band did finally arrive, but without their instruments due to a breakdown. But the evening was not a total loss, thanks to Steve and his music machine there was "A Little Night Music."

Winter



- Cold rain
- White snow
- Iceskating
- Snowskiing
- Ricky rod racing
- Icy roads
- Cold, wet freshmen
- Hot chocolate
- Bronco hats and scarves
- Getting hit by
- Snowballs and
- attitude balls
- Roundball
- Hair cuts
- Garbageball
- Tournaments
- Wrestling
- Challenge matches
- Bus rides
- Sports banquet
- Christmas concert
- Drama presents "JOY"
- Christmas vacation
- New years' eve
- Paul Yearout speech





Old members give meaning of Honor Society.



New members initiated on December 7.

Honor Society of RHS



Back: D. White, C. Harder, B. Sauer, T. Wilsey, C. Sprenger, T. Babbitt, R. Harder, D. McCormick, S. Kagele, M. Sackmann, J. Humphrey, R. Reitmeier. Front: H. Hille, M. Stelzer, C. Evans, M. Kagele, M. Hardt, S. Klein, K. German, H. Harder, C. Miller, M. Meyer, Mrs. Matson, advisor. Not pictured C. Ulleland, H. Grams.



Secretary/Treasurer-T. Wilsey, President-R. Reitmeier, Vice President-C. Sprenger



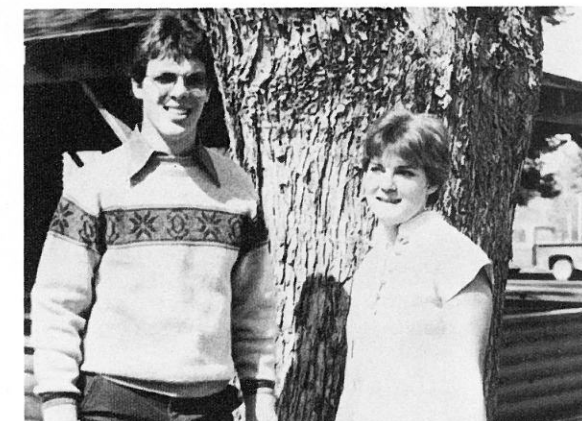
These honorable members can be seen checking out COAST TO COAST.



Honor Society members struggle over important decisions such as: "What day are we having our get together at Matson's?"



Mrs. Matson, our advisor, is trying again to get us do do something.



Ross and Mary Mae were selected to compete for a National Honor Society Scholarship.

Mrs. Renee Matson became the new Honor Society advisor. The first duty of the group was to initiate nine new members. In December, an evening program was given to initiate Carl Harder, Kathy German, Jay Humphrey, Michele Kagele, Robyn Harder, Teresa Babbitt, Christine Evans, Heidi Harder, and Dean White. A reception was held following the program for family and friends.

The annual Bi-County Banquet was held on March 16 in Odessa. Nine members from Ritzville attended the program where Ross Reitmeier was presented Ritzville's Outstanding Senior Award. This award was voted on by the members of the Honor Society.

At the end of the year the Senior members were presented with Honor Society pins.

COED RED R



Red R. projects involve a group effort. Membership this year rose close to 45 students, advised by coaches Hankins and Humphrey.



1977-78 Officers; M. Stelzer, M. Weber-treasurers; K. German-v.p.; H. Grams, J. Weise-presidents; J. Humphrey-v.p.; K. McCrady, M. Kagele-secretaries.

Boys' Red R was in trouble. In the past four years they were inactive and accomplished little. The club elected officers and from then on they remained stagnant throughout the rest of the year.

President Jay Weise recognized the problems and difficulties the club was having and called for a special meeting. The Girls' Red R members were invited to the meeting and suggestions were discussed as to what could be done. A proposal was initiated that the two clubs be combined. The main purpose being to hold a joint account in finances and establish a routine pattern of activities to follow.

In the past, the two separate clubs have had little say as to where their money was being spent. With the new co-ed organization it is hopeful that sports which take in less gate money will have a better chance of purchasing the items they need.

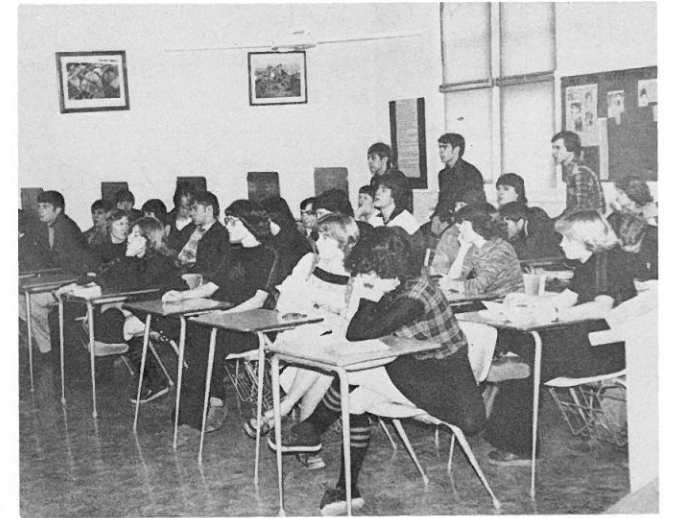
The group planned and acted as a service organization by patrolling games, locker rooms and school halls. Some of the activities which were accomplished included painting the football sign downtown and organizing the Junior High Basketball Jamboree. Money was raised through the selling of Bronco pins during the winter months.



Pres. J. Weise displays Bronco Booster scholarship award.



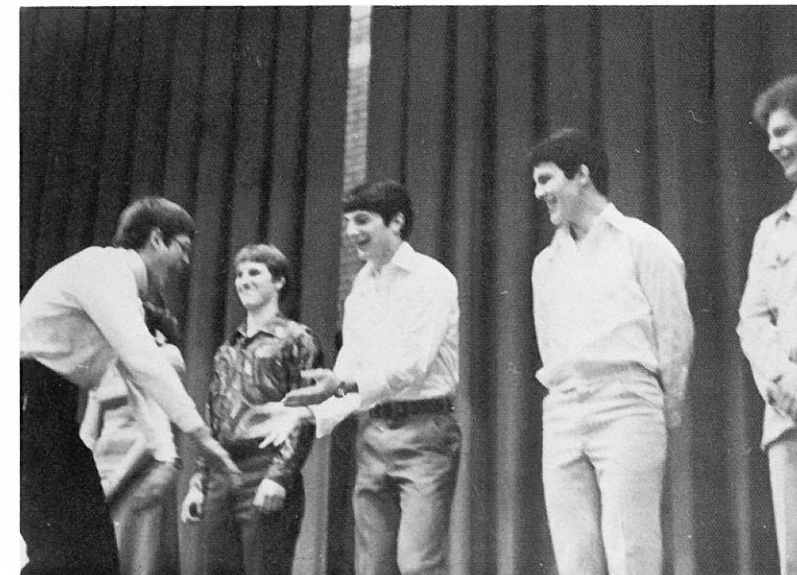
ROGEL MOTORS: where quality flies high in the land of Free Spirit!



Decisions, Decisions!

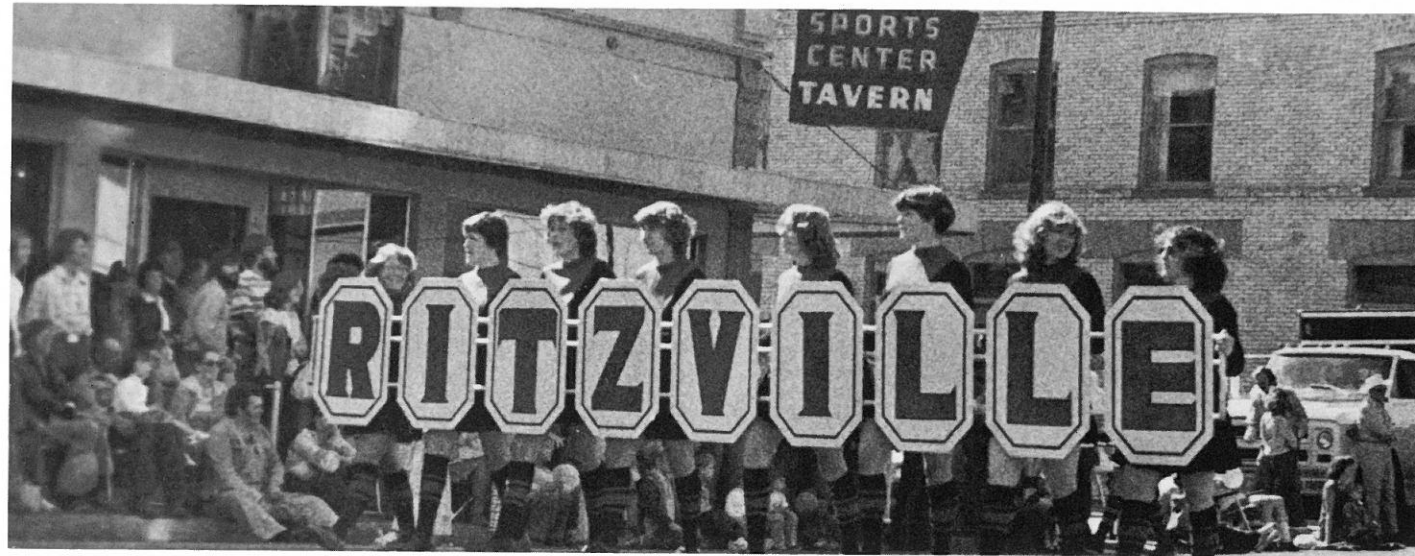


Homecoming fire wood compliments of Red R.



Senior Red R members show talent at annual Winter Sports Banquet.

THE MONEY HONEYS



Broncettes lead the way for the band and float.



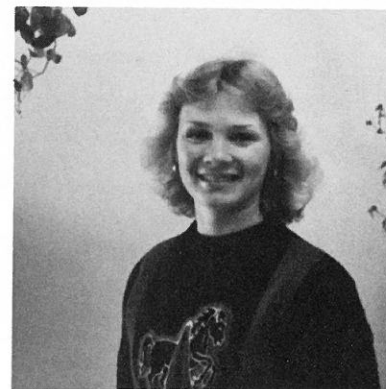
BOB OESTREICH STANDARD OIL COMPANY DISTRIBUTER supports the Broncettes and all their activities.



Captain: Cheryl Janssen



Connie Templin



Susan Kison



Mary Kay Meyer



Joy Gibler

Broncettes, this year, were composed of eleven active and hard-working Junior and Senior girls. In the spring of 1977, any interested Sophomore or Junior girl may have applied for the job. The faculty then evaluated the applications submitted by the girls and selected the eleven for the position. Broncettes must be dependable, efficient and willing to attend numerous athletic events.

The Broncettes did various duties throughout the year including taking tickets at football, basketball, volleyball and wrestling matches, arranging the pep assembly board and putting up the letters on the sign outside the school. They sold crystal etchings during the holiday season and fed the Juniors from Lind, Odessa, Washtucna and Ritzville during the lunch break of the Washington Pre-College tests.

These girls are responsible for the behind-the-scenes jobs that are never really appreciated. They do a good job and deserve a big thank you.



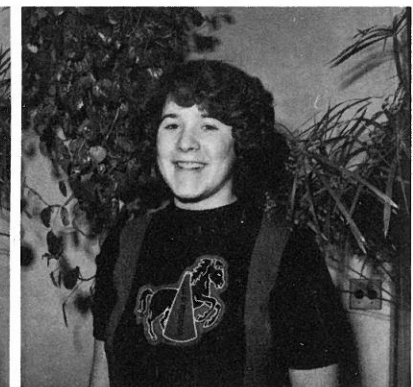
No wonder the board was always such a mess!!



Tina Yartz



Cheryl Ulleland



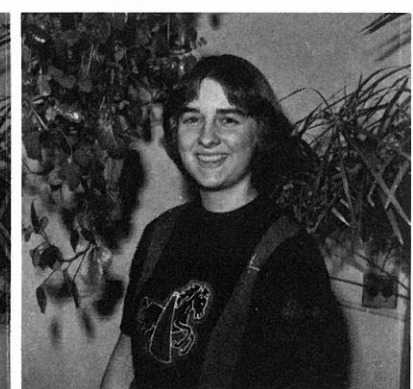
Tawna Wilsey



Susan Klein



Heidi Hille



Darlene McCormick

It's Red That's Dynamite . . .



Top-left to right: S. Schell, H. Grams, C. Blanchette, M. Hardt, M. Sanger, C. Fitch, R. Reeves, L. Hodgson, B. Lenhart, Mrs. S. Hankins. 2nd row: E. Adams, D. Miller, C. Evans, N. Gust, S. Lefevre, C. O'Brien, V. Reeves, J. Kagele, T. Babbitt, T. Pratt, P. Schell, 3rd row: C. Ruthven, A. Stevens, R. Harder, S. Arp, S. Klein, J. Gibler, H. Hille, C. Janzen, L. Kanzler, P. Simpson, S. Liedlie, S. Pedigo, D. Richie. 4th row: T. Schafer, K. Klein, R. Kison, J. Schwisow, S. Kison, D. McCormick, T. Yartz, P. Harder, D. Grams, K. Schell, D. Knoll, K. Wilsey. 5th row: P. Wahl, L. Vargas, R. Curtis, C. Ulleland, C. Templin, T. Wilsey, M. Meyer, J. Kagele, K. Huffman, C. Evans, D. Kagele, C. Kagele. 6th row: C. Miller, L. Heider, N. Iltz, M. Stelzer, H. Harder, C. Sprenger, J. Miller, Michele Kagele.



Pep Club Officers: standing- Upperclassmen Points Chairman- C. Ulleland, kneeling- Vice- Pres.-T. Wilsey, sitting- Lowerclassmen Points Chairman- T. Babbitt, President- M. Meyer, Sec.-Treas.- S. Klein.

'Spirit and Enthusiasm' are the key words in the Pep Club of 1977-78. It took much effort to keep us all supporting one hundred percent, although the successful girls' and boys' teams made it all seem easy.

Our Pep Club had about sixty-five members and a great majority of the girls were very supportive. This is then noticed when the girl of each season is selected. These active girls are busy earning points by attending meetings, making posters and run-throughs, selling Bronco hats and scarves, riding on rooter's buses, and showing their spirit.

Our greatest accomplishment was the Homecoming of '77. We enjoyed preparing the dance and loved filling our pixies stomachs! Our spirit really grew that week. This year we even introduced a live Bronco mascot at our home football games! The cheerleaders also showed their great abilities by encouraging us to yell our hearts out, but, we didn't mind because- WE LOVE OUR TEAMS!!!



Really Darlene! Pep Club is no joke!



Obviously, rain doesn't even discourage our Pep Club!



Wide open mouths remind us of an enthusiastic B-ball season.



Homecoming reveals our TRUE spirit.

Pep Club stands for 100% team support and Union '76 stands for 100% support for your car!

This years' 'Spirit Girls' were- C. Janzen and D. Grams for winter sports and K. Klein (not photoed) for fall sports.



United We Stand



L. Heider, N. Iltz, C. Miller, C. Sprenger, H. Harder, M. Kagele, J. Miller, M. Stelzer.



Left: Our "Graplin" Cheerleaders Right: Our "Hoopster" Cheerleaders



Their team has long hair!!



Hey, Michele! Where's your sack?!

Six new cheerleaders and two veterans started their year by going to camp in Moscow, Idaho. Here we won two excellent ribbons and five superior ribbons. A superior trophy and the Camp Unity Award was also presented to us.

We met three times a week to prepare ourselves for the coming year. The first performance was the annual Coke Hour. New cheers and chants were presented along with coke and cake. Next was the Adams County Fair parade. The "real thing" came with football season, cheering the boys to second place in Bi-County.

Winter sports were very rewarding, finding the wrestling cheerleaders "rahing" at state tournaments. The basketball cheerleaders were also privileged by cheering for the boys at District.

Ending the year, we led the R.H.S. pep band at the Lilac Parade and handed out ribbons at the track meets.

Thanks to all the people who put up with us throughout the year and a very special thanks to our ever-patient advisor, Mrs. Hankins.



Lori, Colleen, Michele, and Michelle say, "Shop at RUMMER'S!" So bounce on down and see what neat clothes they have to offer.



How many people say go?

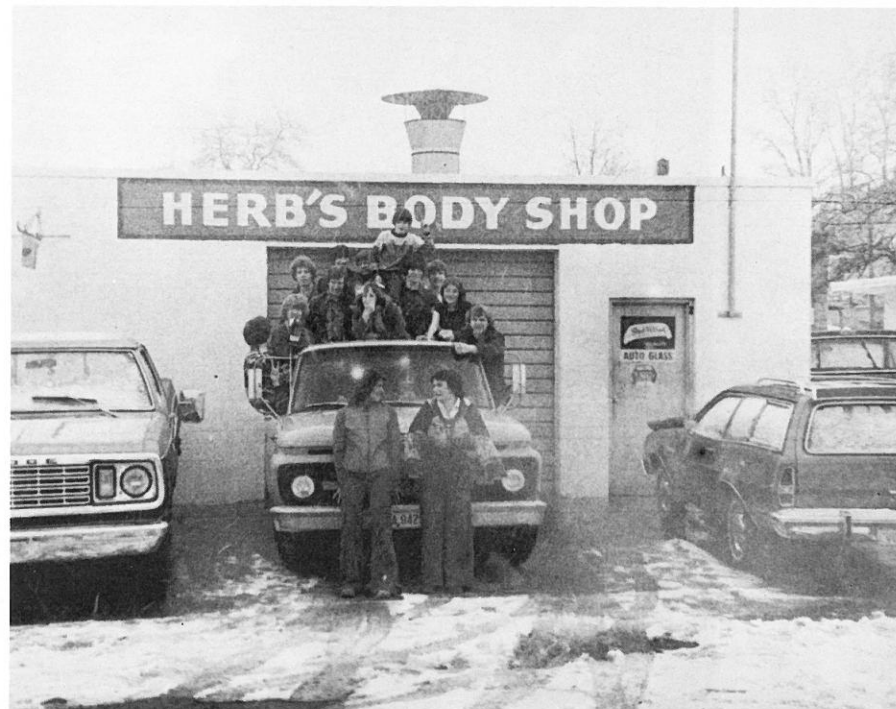
The End.



Wrestling Hungry For a Victory



D. Snowden, M. Geschke, J. Ruegsegger, M. Langenheder, L. Brown, B. Ruegsegger, T. Partlow, J. Stevens, M. Lynch, C. Harder, J. Harder, B. Bruner, D. Koehler, J. Borgens, B. Huffman, G. Cogswell, C. Snowden

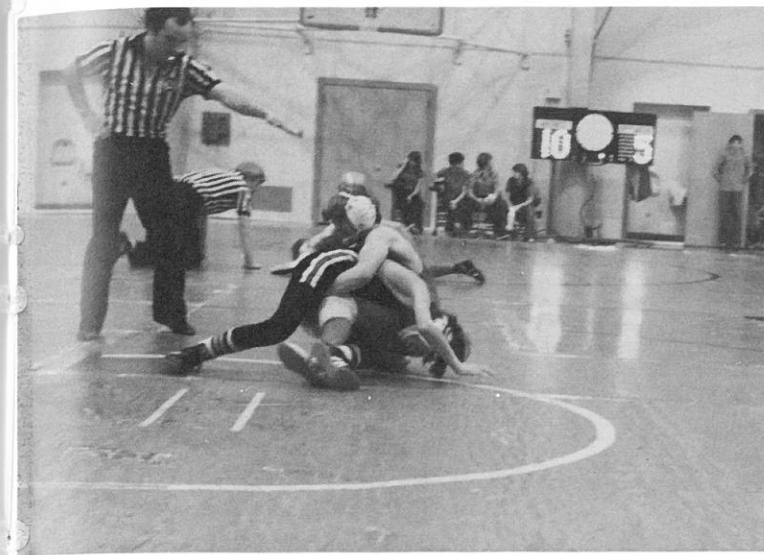


Wrestlers showing their physiques at HERB'S BODY SHOP.

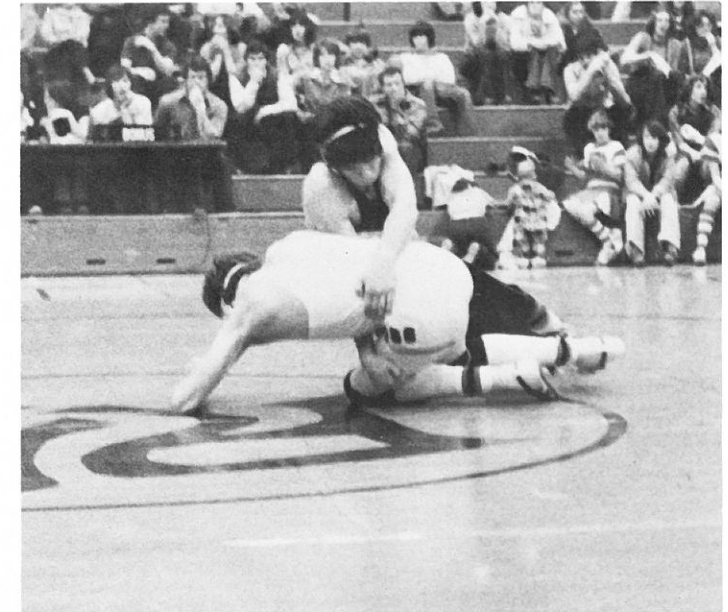


Wrestling Coach Lynch.

M. Reimers, V. Reeves, J. Kagele



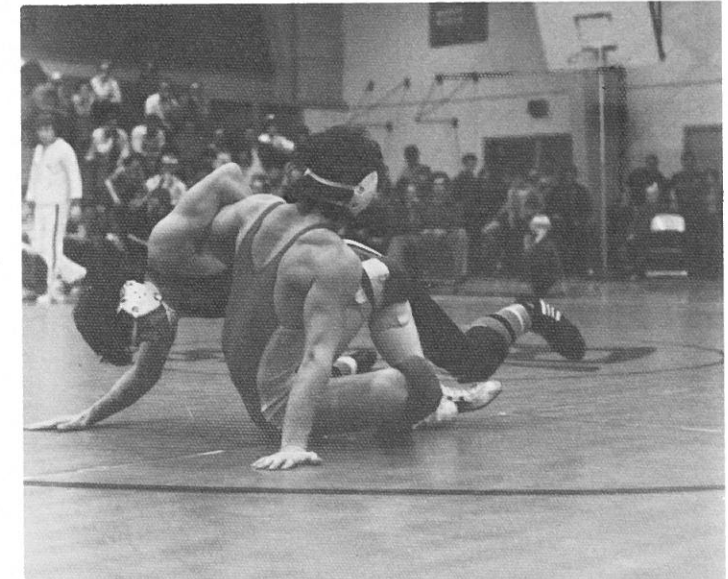
Drive on Tim.



D. Koehler working on a pin.

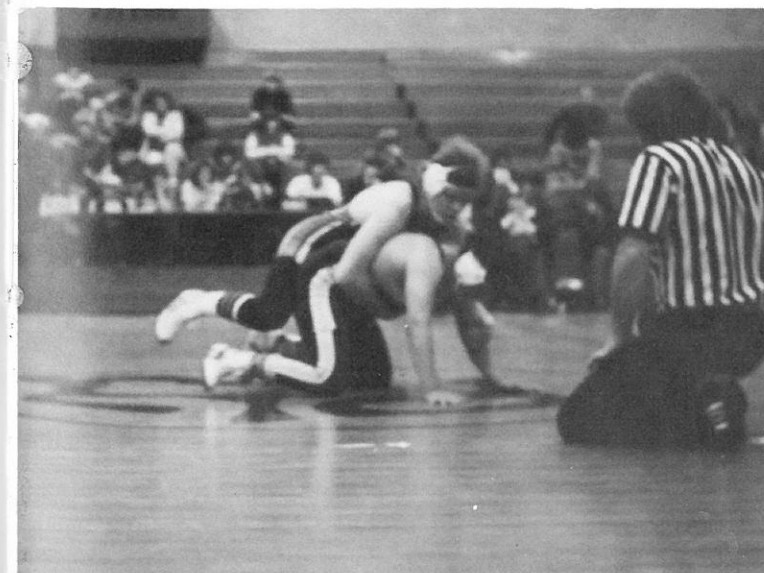


Go for it, Dave!

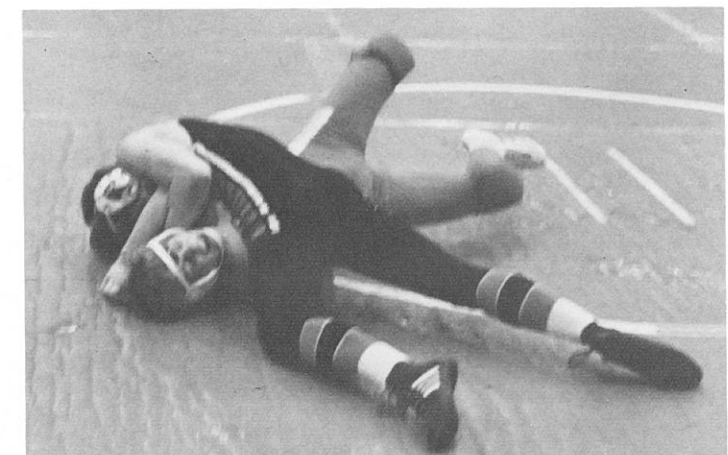


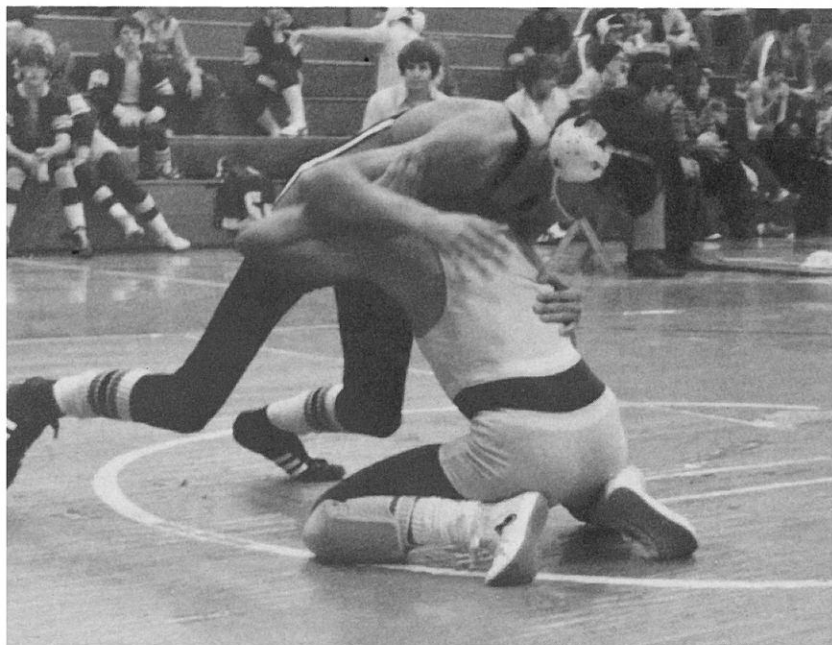
D. Koehler fighting away.

B. Huffman starting on top.

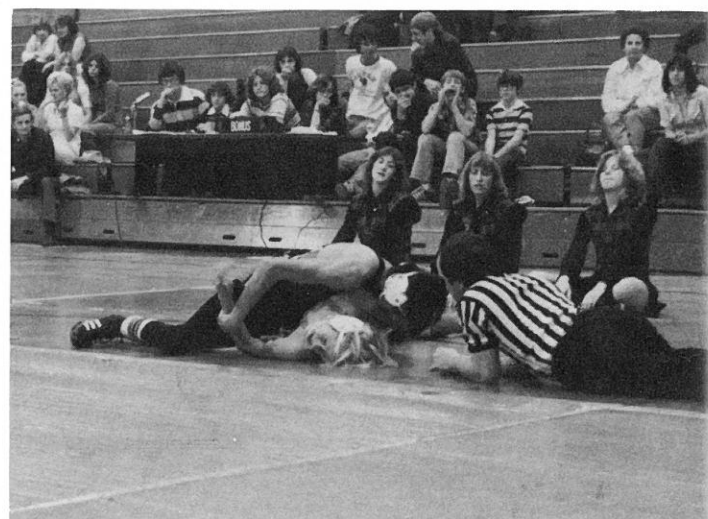


C. Harder pins his man.

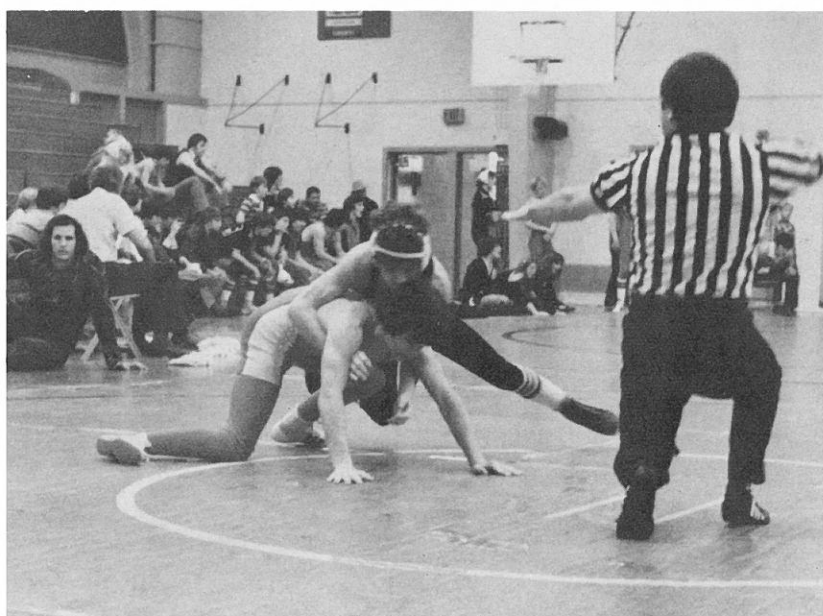




J. Ruegsegger plunges across the mat.



B. Huffman getting the take down.

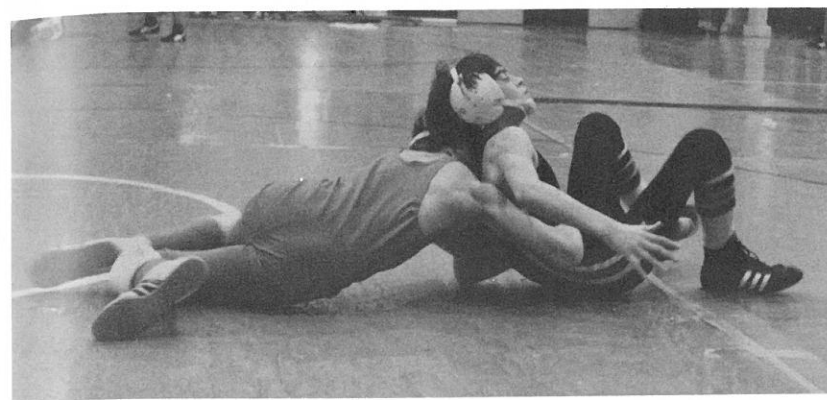


Is that Spiderman or Lane?

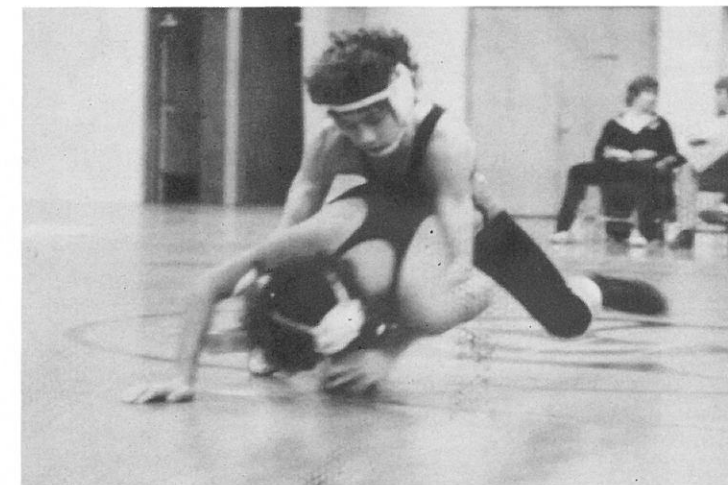


Despite being young and inexperienced, the Ritzville Bronco Wrestlers grappled their way to a 7-6 dual match record that saw them finish third in the Bi-County. Their only senior was co-captain Carl Harder. The Broncos were host to the Northeast District Tournament this year and finished fourth, seeding three wrestlers to the Regional Tournament in Moses Lake - Brian Ruegsegger, Lane Brown and David Koehler. Brian capped off a year in which he was not only team points champion, but also made it to be one of the top eight wrestlers at his weight class in the state.

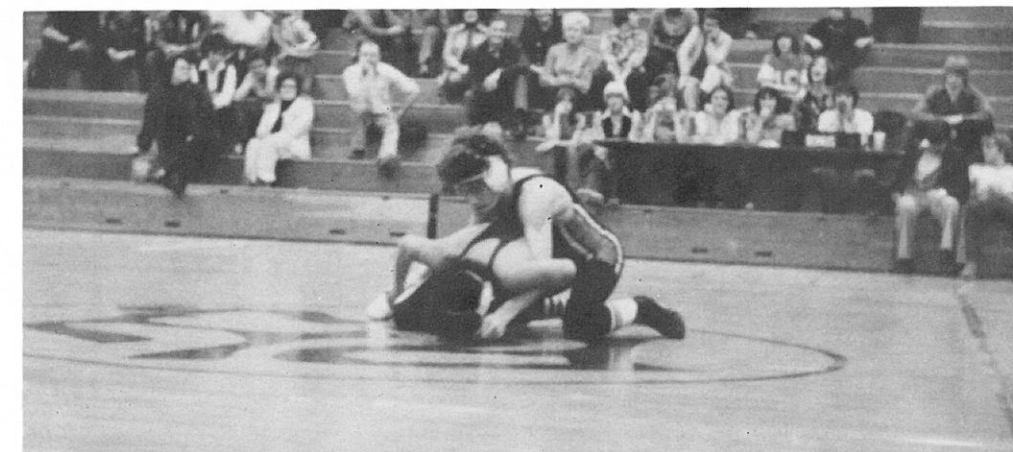
J. Ruegsegger going for the pin.



Hang in there, Tim.



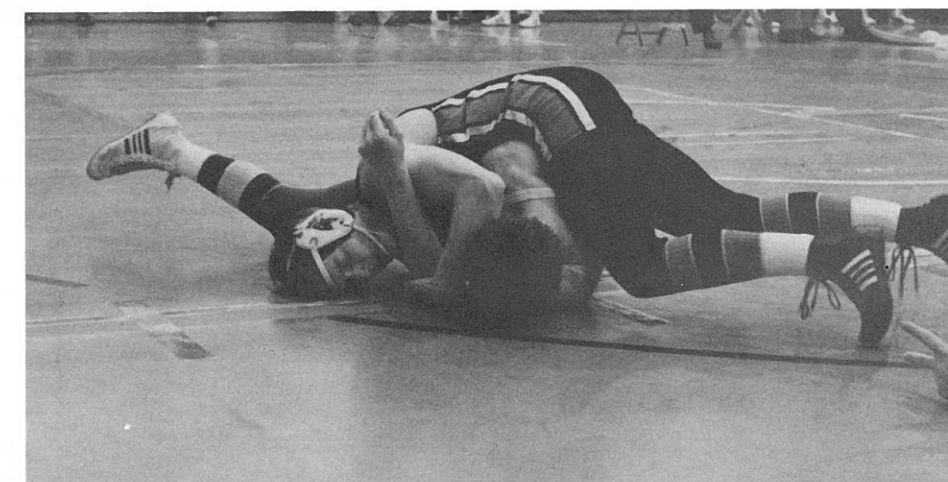
L. Brown driving hard.



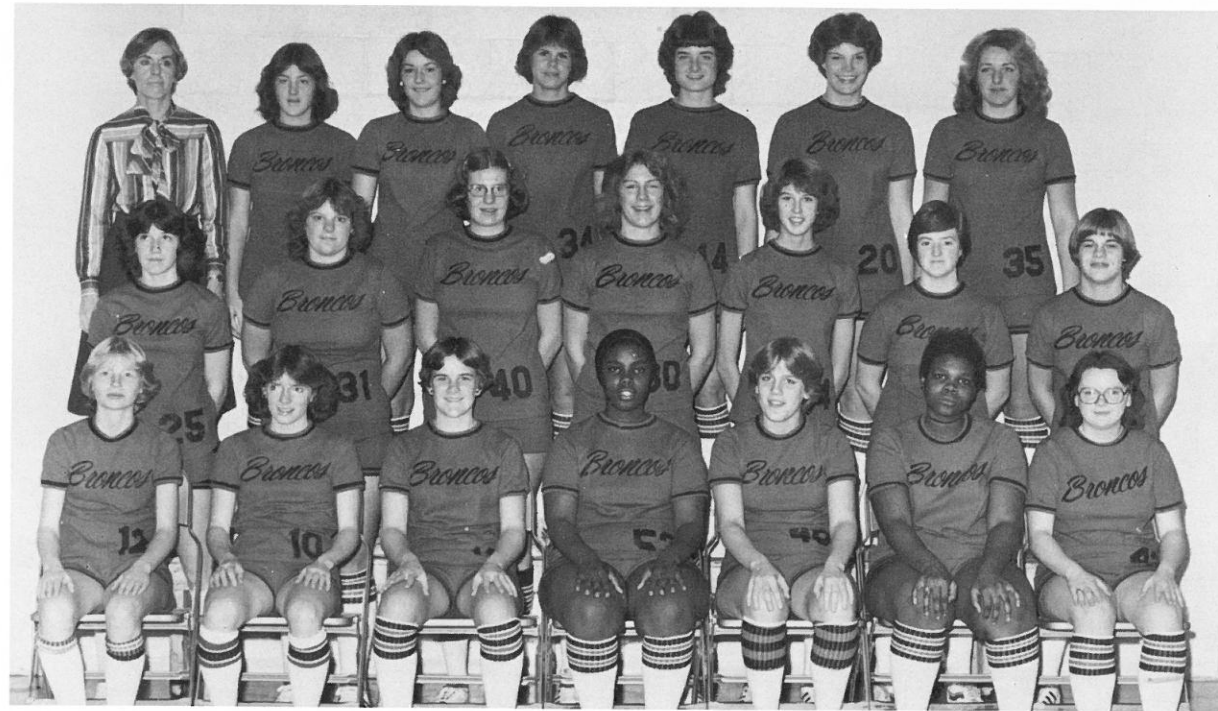
Wrong side for a pin, Lane.

These wrestlers were also members of this year's team and gained much experience throughout the year - Tim Partlow, Mark Langenheder, Jim Ruegsegger, Dan Snowden, Greg Cogswell, Jake Harder, Brian Bruner, Jim Borgans, Bill Huffman. Lane Brown won this year's trophy for Most Takedowns and David Koehler was elected both Outstanding and Inspirational Wrestler.

C. Harder staying on top of things.



Girls' Roundball

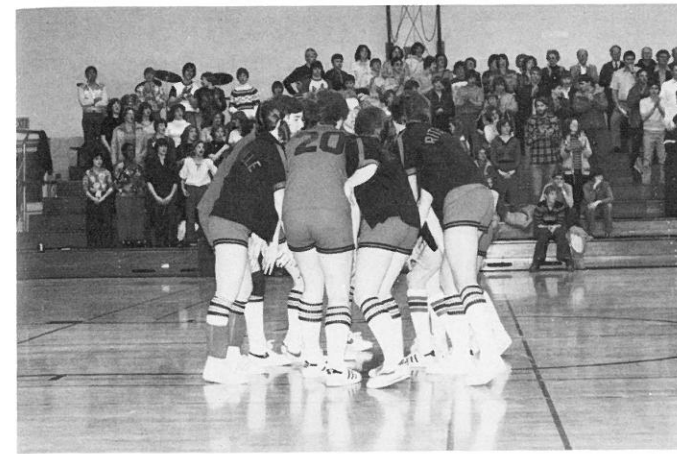


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A-SQUAD			
Connie Fitch	11	14	G
Lori Heider	11	15	G
Teresa Babbitt	10	20	F
Nancy Iltz	10	21	G
Paige Harder	9	23	G
Robin Curtis	9	24	F
Brenda Lenhart	10	32	G
Robyn Harder	10	34	F
*Holly Grams	12	35	F
Kathy German	11	44	F
B-SQUAD			
*Dona Miller	10	10	G
Kathy Klein	9	11	G
Lena Janssen	10	12	G
Anna Mae Stevens	10	25	G
Jullie Kagele	9	30	F
Christi O'bleness	10	31	F
Leann Weitz	11	40	F
Shiela Gunsch	11	42	G
Kathy Huffman	9	48	F
Aileen Adams	9	52	G
Ella Adams	11	54	G

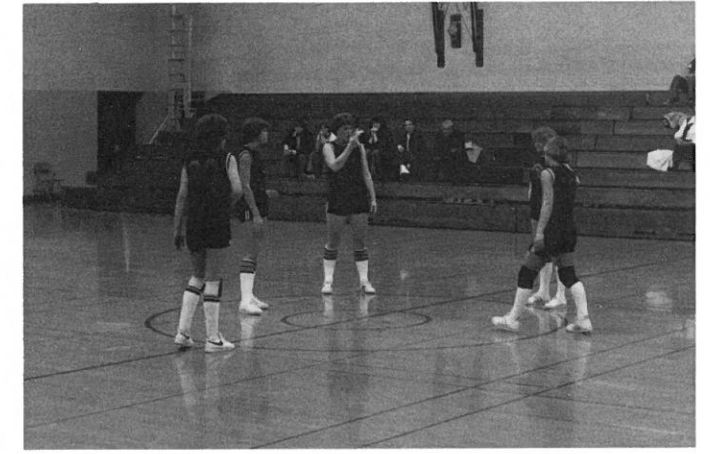
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Manager-D. Grams, Stats: P. Bowman, J. Miller, M. Stelzer.



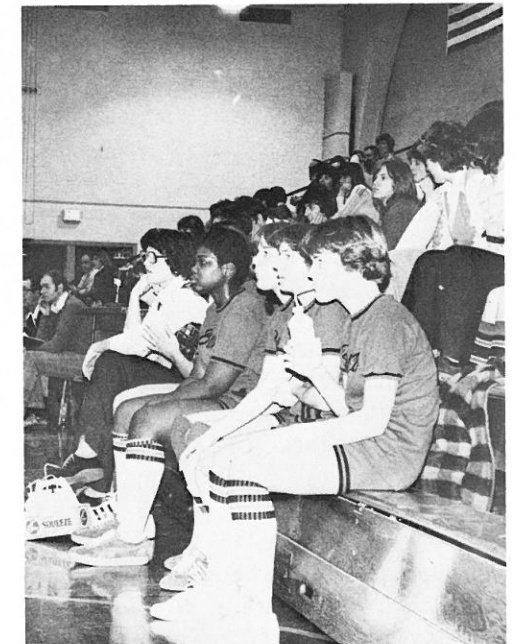
LET'S GO!!!



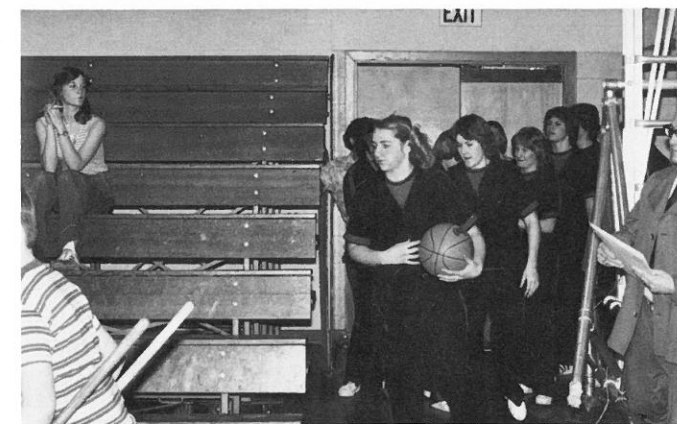
What do we do now?



You're right, she does have wedgies.



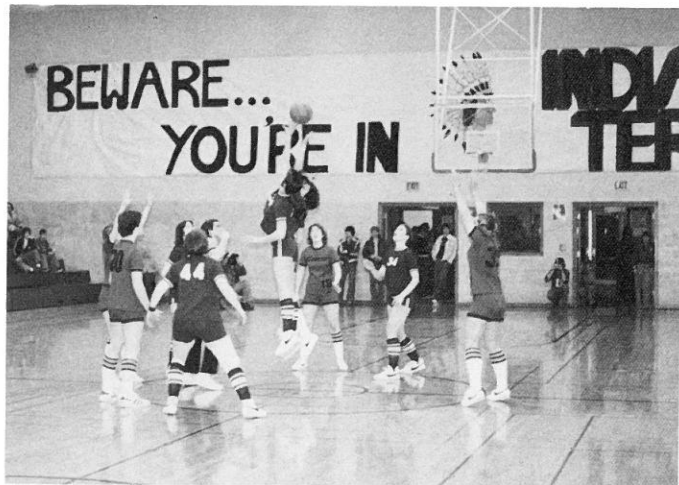
Get Excited?!!



Where's the basketball court?



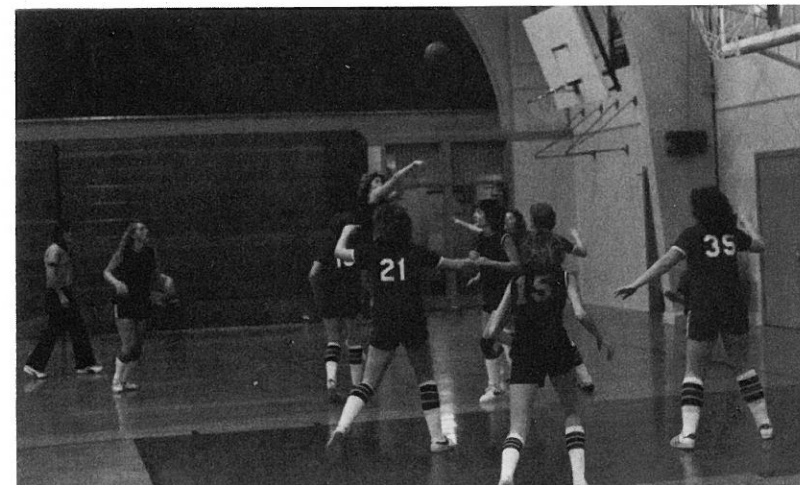
Warming up for a Victory.



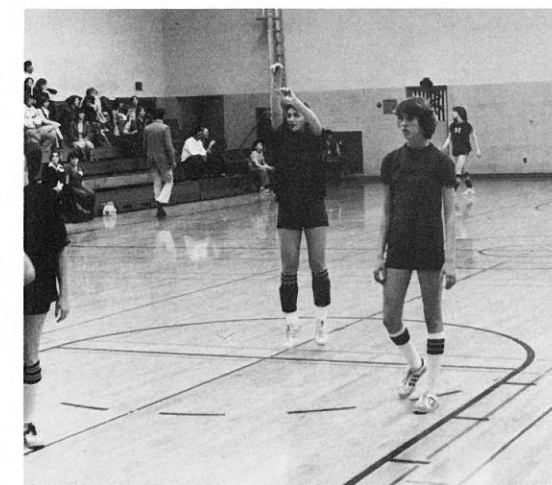
Kathy tips it.



Go For It!!!



Another 2 points.



Let's be enthusiastic.

The girls' basketball team had an excellent season. The B-squad ending up with an 8-1 season record; the Varsity an 18-3.

The J-Ver's had an abundance of talent this year and they used it much to their advantage as shown by their record. They had a few close games but on the average, they ran away with most. The J-Ver's look to be a promising Varsity in a year or two.

The Varsity had many close calls this year but usually came out on top. The Fillies placed 2nd in Bi-County behind Wilbur. Wilbur beat them in the regular season but at Bi-County playoffs, the girls showed them who's #1. The District Championship was played against Curlew. The game see-sawed back and forth finding the score tied at the buzzer. This was the only overtime the girls played all season but still came out on top, becoming #1 in District. From here it was on to state at Whitworth College.

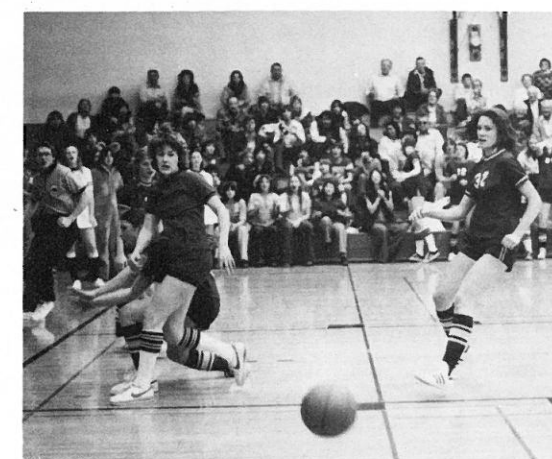
The first game put the Broncos against St. John. The girls played well and over-rode the Eagles. The next challenge was Soap Lake. The Broncos lost giving it their best effort. Next they beat Harrington, at the buzzer. Broncos lost, fighting to the end, against Bickleton, placing them 7th in state; a position to be proud of.



SNIDERS TRUCKING SERVICE helps the team truck on to victory.



Raring to go!!!



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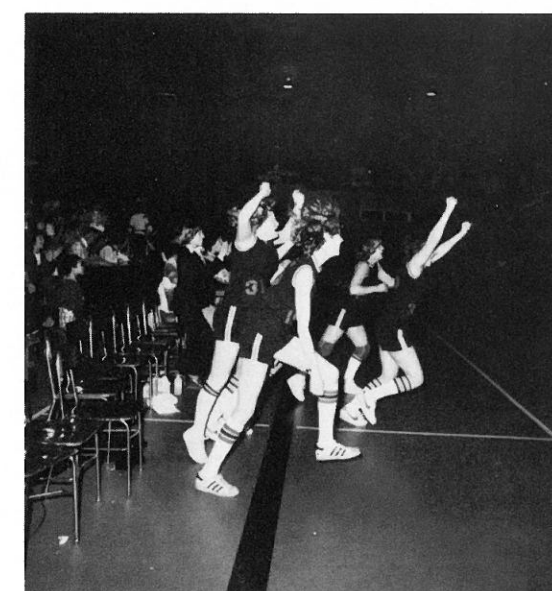
LEAGUE

Ritzville	vs.	Freeman	48-15
Ritzville	vs.	Sprague	40-15
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Ritzville	vs.	Pomeroy	39-21
Ritzville	vs.	Odessa	57-31
Ritzville	vs.	Almira	55-35
Ritzville	vs.	Creston	50-33
Ritzville	vs.	Wilbur	34-41
Ritzville	vs.	Davenport	40-29
Ritzville	vs.	Lind	59-34
Ritzville	vs.	Harrington	34-28

Ritzville	vs.	Liberty	44-33
Ritzville	vs.	Reardan	51-42
Bi-County	vs.	Wilbur	44-36
District	vs.	Wellpinit	38-27
District	vs.	Northport	48-27
District	vs.	Curlew-OT	46-41
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State	vs.	Harrington	31-29
State	vs.	Bickleton	33-36

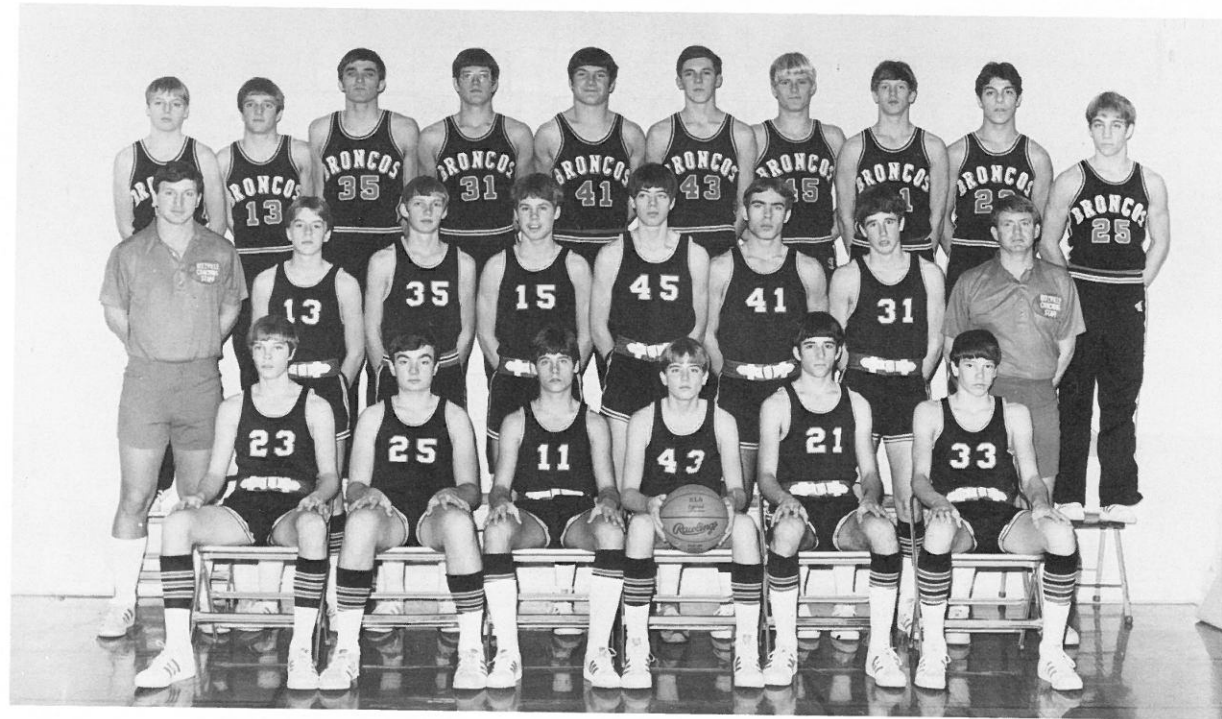


M.V.P.-Kathy German, Captain-Holli Grams, Inspirational-Connie Fitch, Most Improved-Paige Harder.

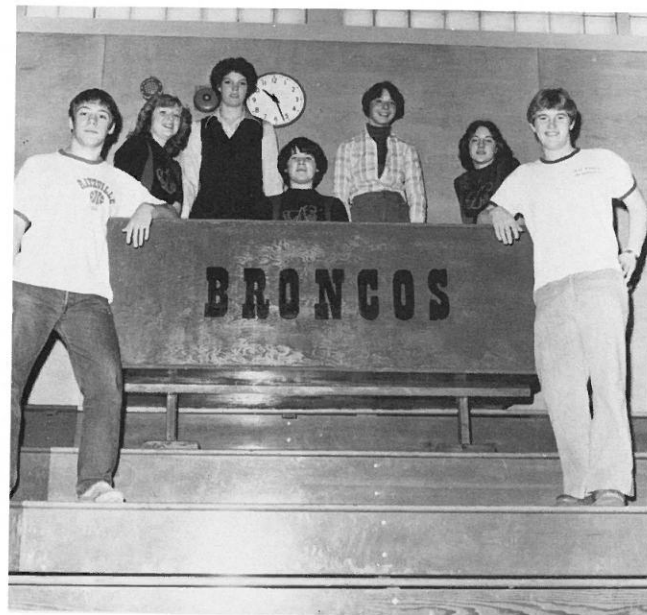


Did we win?????

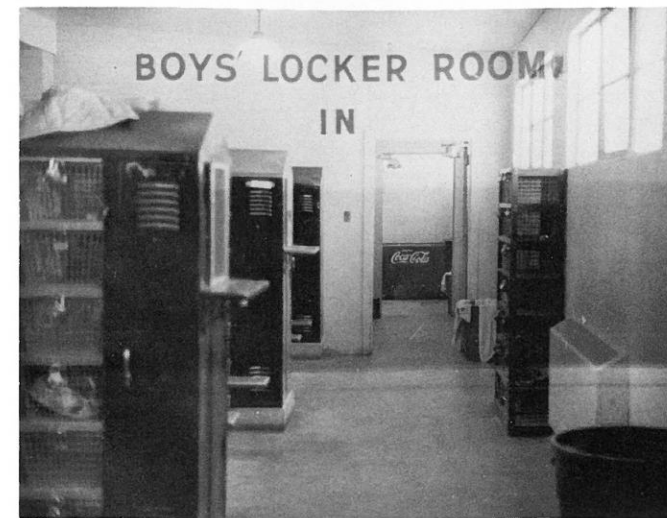
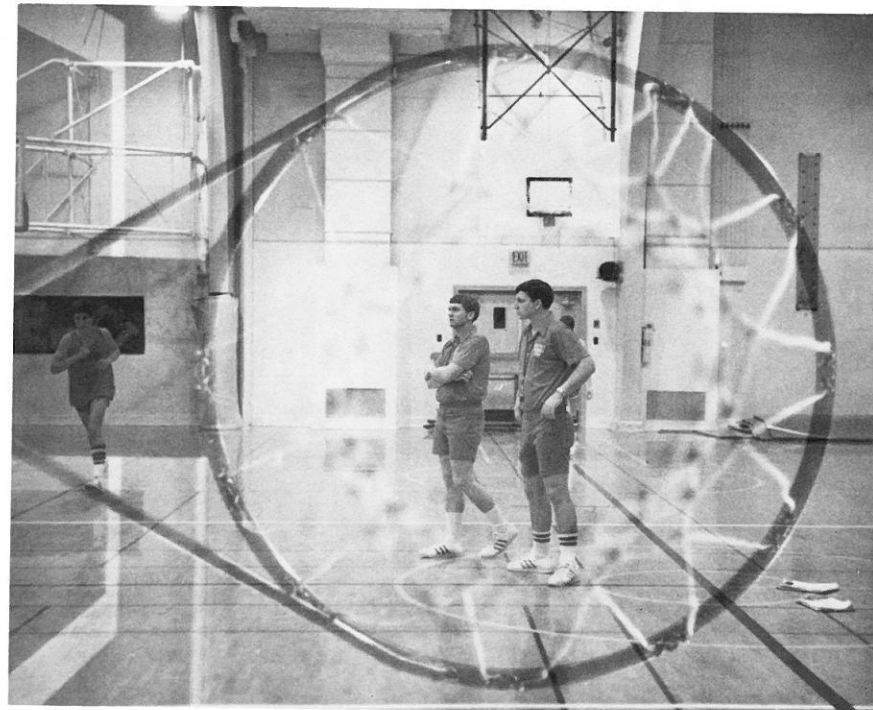
Our Talented Roundballers



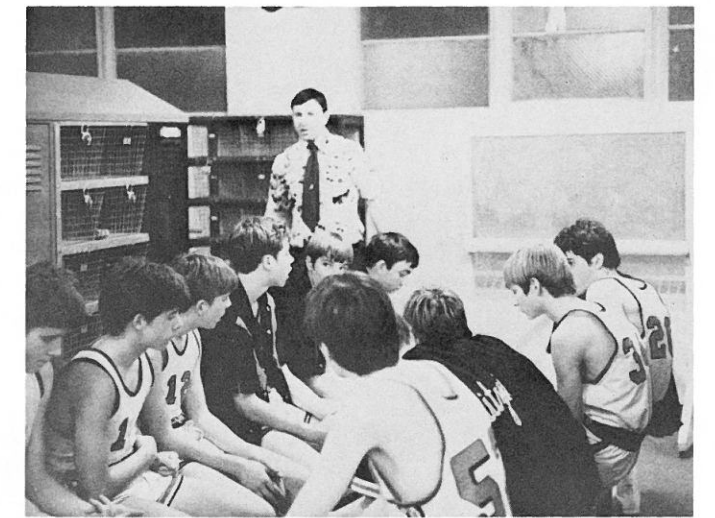
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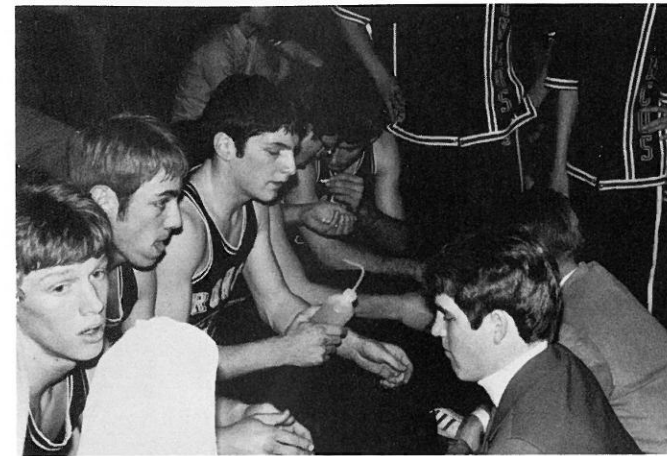
Manager Brian Sauer, Trainer Mike Weber, and Stat Girls: Cheryl, Teresa, Tawna, Lisa, and Connie doing what they do best.



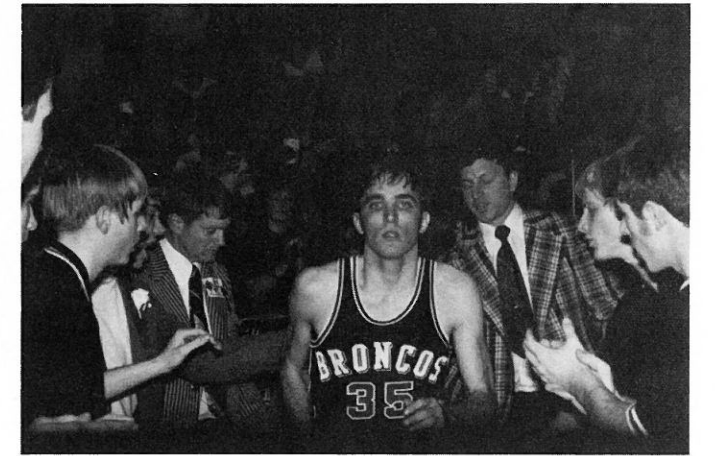
Entering the locker room, for . . .



the pre-game talk, to . . .



the last minute checkup, for . . .



the starting lineup, at . . .



the start of the game, to . . .

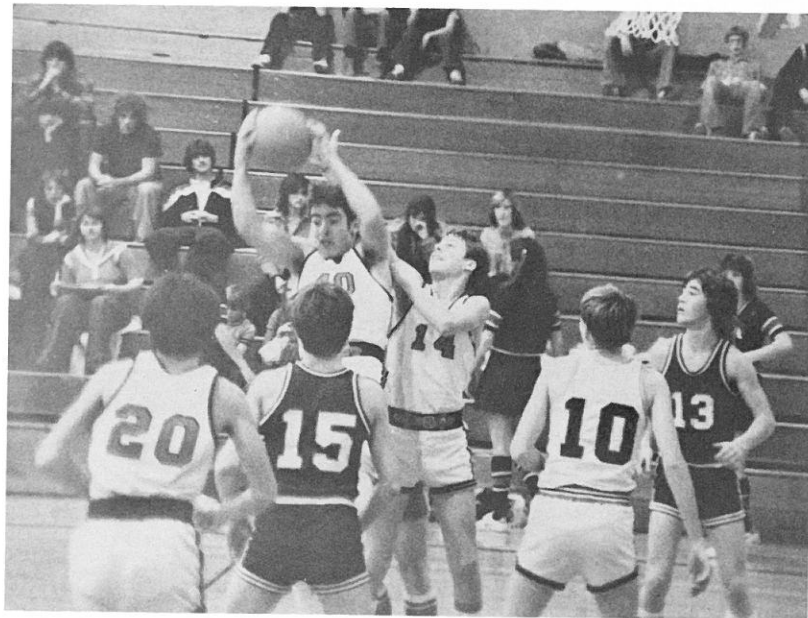


the end of the game.

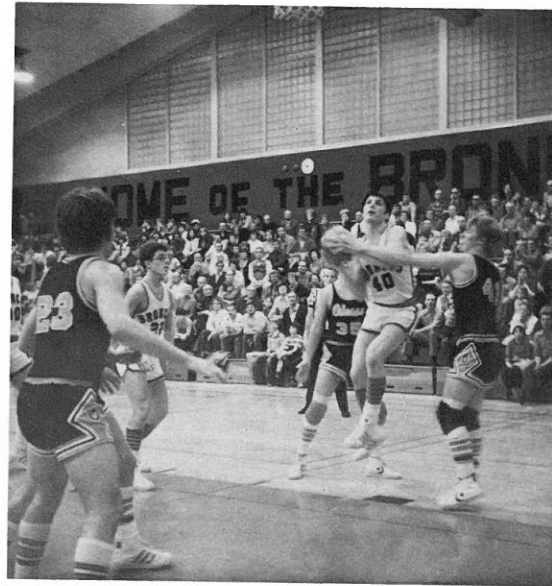
Going to court doesn't always involve a law suit. Sometimes it's a basketball court, and the suit is a tee-shirt and shorts. Placing second in the Bi-County conference shows that the RHS basketball team was really on the ball. A season of 15 wins and 9 losses gave Bronco fans a lot of bounce.

On defense the Broncos held their opponents to 43.5 points a game. Top players Steve Kembel and Jay Humphrey showed high rebounds and scores.

JV player Jeff Glaspie led the "Beavers" in scoring and rebounding. The younger players have the spirit of the game; with a 14-6 record under their belts; they have the makings of a great future varsity.



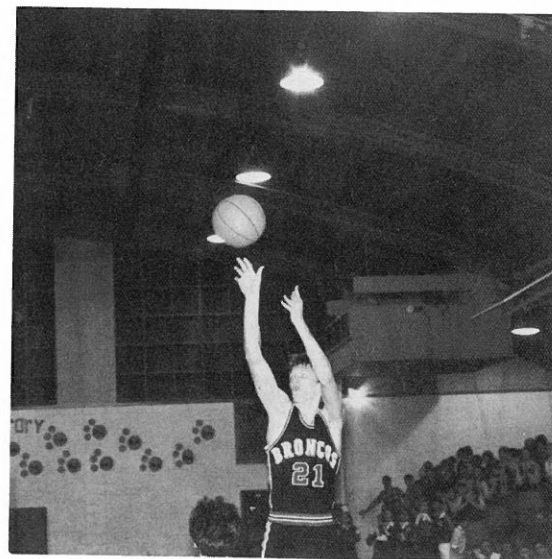
Another Big Bound for the Bugger.



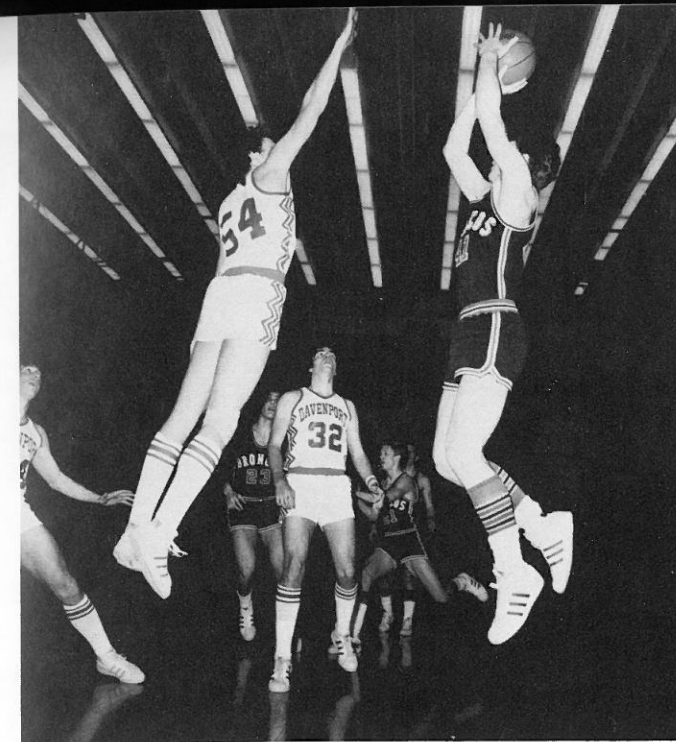
S. Kembel goes to the hoop.



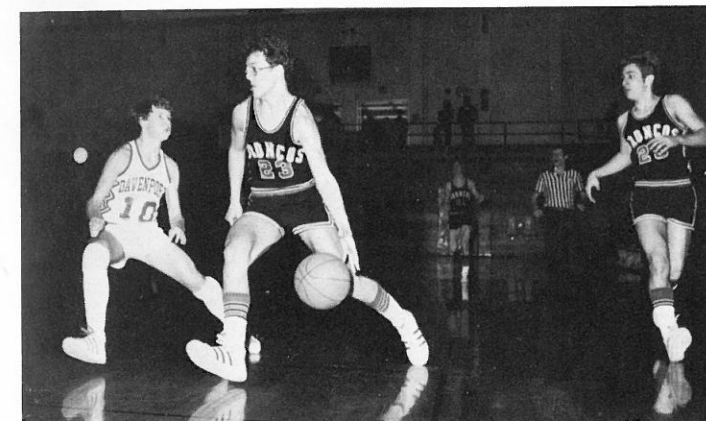
J. Williamson: Inspirational; S. Kembel: Captain; E. Koch: Most Improved; J. Humphrey: M.V.P.



J. Humphrey up for two.



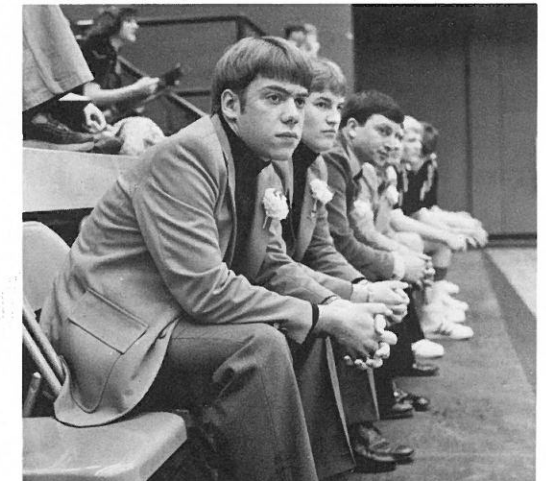
Letterman for two.



R. Reitmeier drives for a layin.



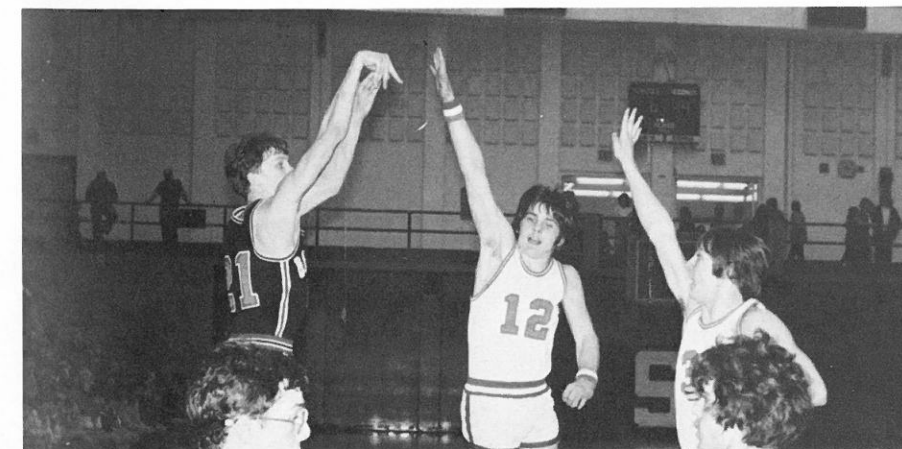
Tip it to a Bronco . . .



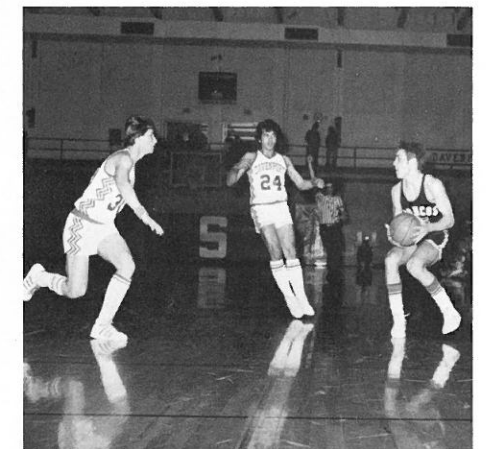
True determination!



After tough practices, see Loren Schuoler at RITZVILLE DRUG.



When Ross talks, everyone listens.



Hopscotch anyone?



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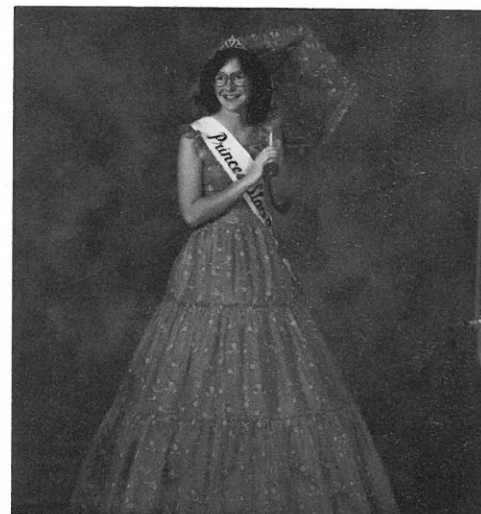


Spring

Spring-fever-rowdiness
 Love-bugs-hatch
 Birds and bees
 Flowers-easter
 Spring-vacation
 Beer cups-butter drinking
 Slip sliding away
 Fishing
 Independent activities
 Run-track-run
 Tennis-run-baseball
 Run-freshman
 Initiation-sprinklers
 Rain
 Car-wash
 Out of house
 Running around
 "Bar-footin' "
 Shorts-dresses-tanktops
 Sun-tan
 Choir tour
 Prom
 Bike riding-cruising
 June countdown
 Sleeping in!



The 1977 Float.



Princess Stacey.



Princess Heidi

Royal Royalty



The 1978-79 Royalty. 1st runner up Cheryl Ulleland, Queen, Lorrie Hodgson, 2nd runner up Michele Kagele.

Whoever said you had to go to England to see the queen or visit a royal family? Just take a look around our halls and you'll get an eyefull of royalty.

We have the Adams County Wheat Queen, Ritzville Rodeo Queen and Ritzville's Jr. Miss and princesses, roaming among us at RHS.

The 1977 float, with the theme "We'll Sing in the Sunshine", carried Queen Susan Kison and Princesses Stacey Schell and Heidi Hille. They represented Ritzville in 13 parades winning 2 grand sweepstakes, 1 sweepstakes, 4 firsts, 2 seconds, a president trophy and more.

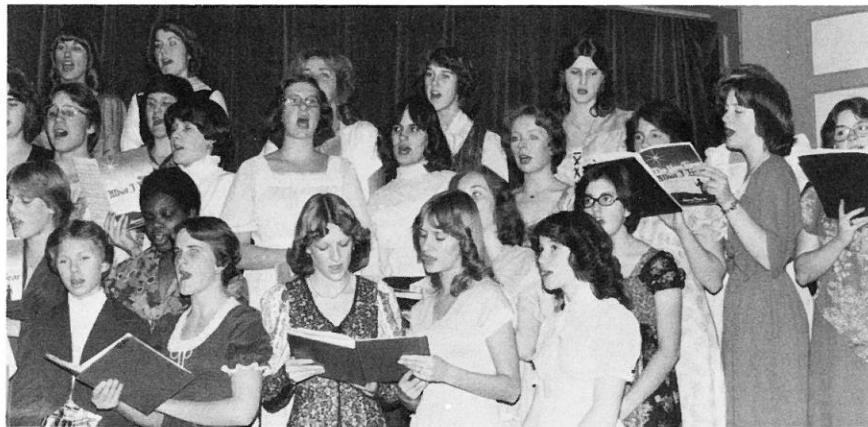


Ritzville Rodeo Queen, Tammy McCabe.



Royalty takes a break at the WHISPERING PALMS, 114 W. Main.

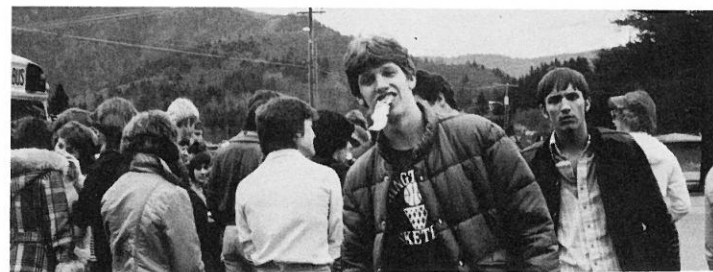
Musical Talents Show



Open your mouths and sing.



Play it Marty and Steve.



TEXACO stars along with the R.H.S. band.



This was a very busy, successful musical year.

The pep band played on during football even when the temp was low. A small band was also put together to help with the production of Joy.

During basketball tournies, the band had to be at two places at once. Even with only half a band, we received good comments. After tournaments, the band had a short time to get ready to perform a benefit concert for the choir to raise money for tour.

The choir had a dinner and car wash to raise the rest of the money that was needed for their tour. They visited several schools on the coast and spent their last night in Seattle.

The band and choir participated at contest in Spokane. The choir received a 2 rating while the band came home with a superior.



Now think, left, right, left, right.

The band played on and on . . .



. . . and on and on.



It's A Joy



BOB'S RADIO AND T.V. carries a variety of media that captures the dramatic talents of 'stars'.



Little Word . . .



"A child is born" and the Drama Company grows with "Joy, peace and love" for the musical JOY. Spring is the season of variety and the crew responded: "Friends; Love is a little bird; God blew breath; I forsee trouble; Can you tread water? Greensleeves; Which doth love me most?; Mocking Bird; Stayin Alive; When will I kiss you?;



How do I love thee?; He wants his independence; the marriage is all(?) done and everything; Which dog is better?; I don't see how people do it all the time." Steve Kagele received the "Most Dramatic" award, proving again that "Little pigs" can become famous "HAMS". Good luck with future shows. Don't let the program die again!

Special Efforts



Camp Wooten counselors were, top to bottom, Tom, Mona, Cheryl, Darlene, Heidi, Colleen, DeWayne and Steve.



Looks like Tawna, Sonia and Stacey made a "special effort" to find the candy counter at PFANN'S PHARMACY.



Christine wins the Bernina Sewing Contest.



Heidi was honored as part of the All-State Choir.



Seniors Gary and Jim are selected for Boys' State.



Mary, Connie, Larry, Rocky and Brian were the Cross-Country team.



Cindy, Mrs. Anderson, Mike, Holli and Sue were involved in Health Occupations.



Seniors Gary, Mike and Ross were honored by earning their Eagle Scout Award.

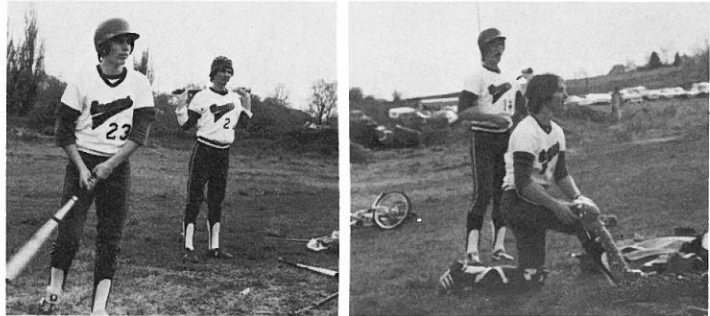


Outstanding Junior Achievement Awards were presented to Michelle, Dave, Tom, Kathy and Brad. Not pictured is Cheryl Ulleland.

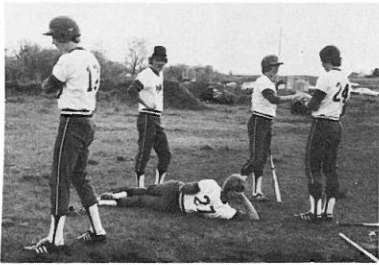


Back row, G. Schwisow, R. Snowden, C. Snowden, J. Williamson, K. Arlt, A. Telecky, K. Hilzer, C. Bernard, Coach M. Jacobs. Front, D. White, C. Kembel, S. Schwisow, M. Heider, D. Yartz, T. Partlow, D. Stevens, M. Miller, D. Snowden.

no.	name	pos.	yr.	avg.
22	Rod Schwisow	P-3b	9	.500
17	Mitch Heider	P-LF	9	.381
12	David Yartz	1b-RF	9	.306
24	Ron Snowden	C	12	.300
27	Kenny Hilzer	P-3b	11	.282
15	Mike Miller	SS	9	.273
28	Alan Telecky	CF	11	.250
25	Jim Williamson	1b	12	.200
18	Danny Snowden	2b	9	.133
14	Cregg Kembel	SS-2b	9	.333
19	C.J. Bernard	RF	10	.250
20	Dean White	LF	10	.227
30	Kevin Arlt	1b-RF	11	.214
11	David Stevens	LF	9	.200
21	Gary Schwisow	CF	12	.200
10	Tim Partlow	RF	10	.000
16	Scott Schwisow	SS-2b	9	.000



The Schwisow and Snowden brothers, minus one, in one of their quieter moments.



Al's not impressed, Spud!!

.....VICTORY.....

THE SEASON

Ritzville.....1	Odessa.....0
Ritzville.....1	Davenport.....6
Ritzville.....9	Davenport.....5
Ritzville.....14	Davenport.....2
Ritzville.....6	Davenport.....8
Ritzville.....7	Odessa.....0
Ritzville.....7	Odessa.....0
Ritzville.....4	Harrington.....7
Ritzville.....1	Harrington.....3
Ritzville.....2	Harrington.....10
Ritzville.....3	Freeman.....8
Ritzville.....12	Liberty.....2
Ritzville.....8	Lind.....0
Ritzville.....2	Freeman.....1
Ritzville.....6	Reardan.....7
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Ritzville.....3 Davenport.....17
(Bi-County Playoffs in Odessa)



An intricate part of victory—teamwork.



Ron in safely with a triple, dust cloud and all.

BASEBALL "78".....



Joy, Bobbi, and C.J. watch intently as Rod, Cregg, Gary, Jim, and Chris, show Mike correct table saw manners, at SEIM'S BUILDERS SUPPLY.



Our ever-present and continually learning stats, J. Gibler and B. Barnes. Not present was S. Pedigo.

Baseball in Ritzville turned the corner towards better baseball in the 1978 season. After a dismal 2-14 record in '77, the team came back with an 11-8 record in '78. Included in those wins were 3 victories over Odessa, 2 wins over Davenport, both teams competing in the State Tournaments, and a 2-1 win over Freeman, eventual division winners just ahead of the Broncos. The team also accomplished one of its early season goals in making the Bi-County playoffs for the first time in 4 years.

In addition to improved hitting from the year before, the pitching department was also strong. Rod Schwisow led the stats here with a 60 strikeout, 15 walk, 27 hit year, followed closely by Kenny Hilzer with 49 strikeouts, 6 walks, and 15 hits. Mitch Heider had 24 k's, 21 BB's, 14 hits, and Dave Yartz gave up 15 hits, 7 walks, and struck out 13; both Heider and Yartz were early season starters, converted to relief pitchers later on.

Freshmen played a large part in the success of the team. Out of 9 possible players on the field, at least 5 and sometimes 6 freshmen started. The three leading hitters were freshmen, the pitching 'ace' was a frosh, and 4 out of 7 lettermen were freshmen. The other 2 letter receivers were juniors Kenny Hilzer, co-captain Al Telecky, and co-captain Ron Snowden, the lone senior.

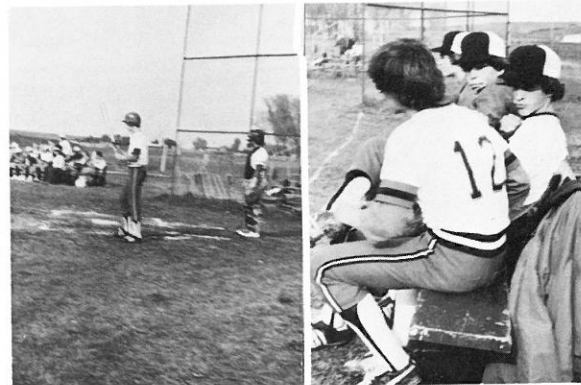
PLAYOFFS.....



Co-captains Al Telecky and Ron Snowden.



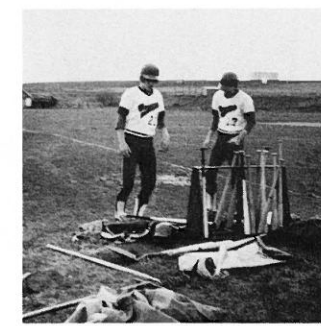
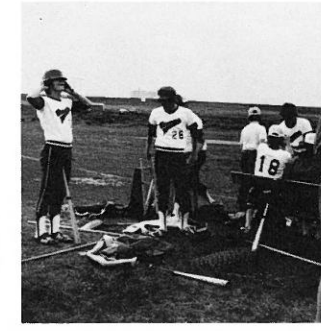
Slim and Coach Jacobs doing some needed mound work.



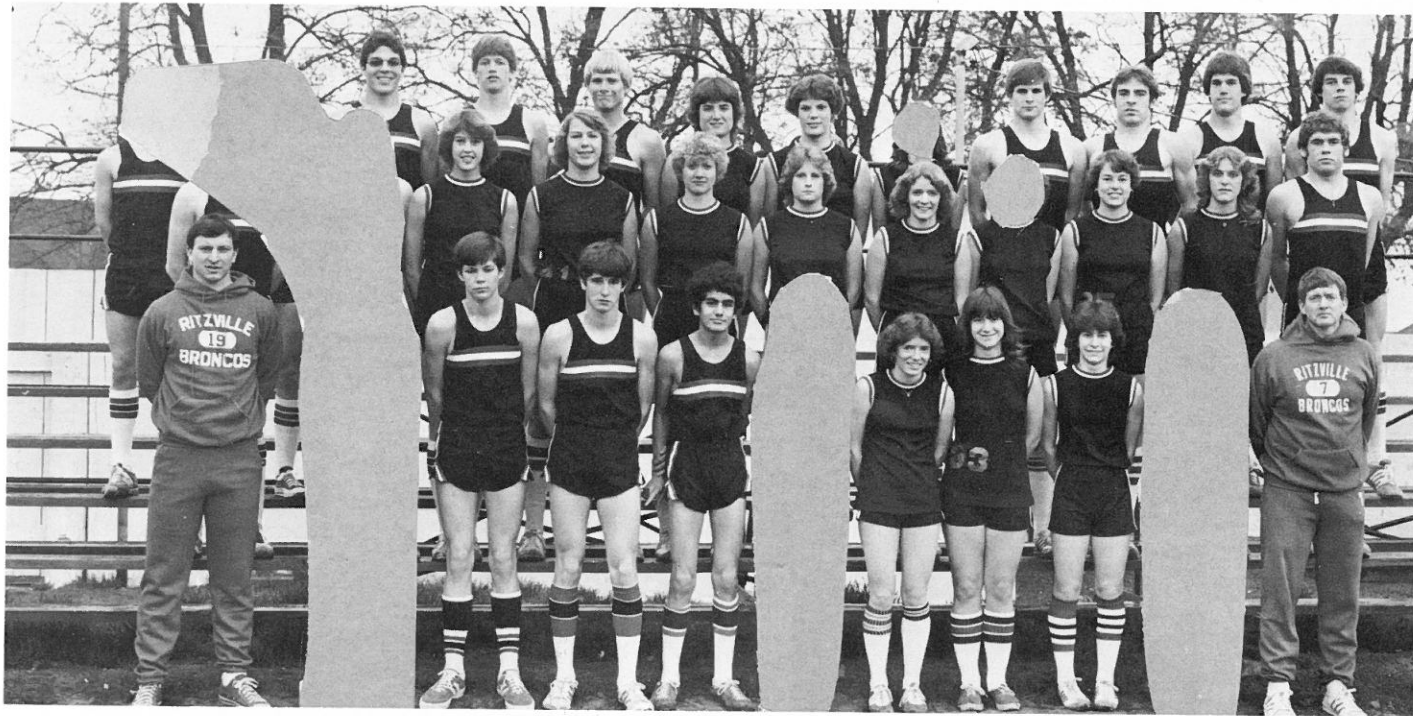
Heider, Miller, (above), and Snowden, Schwisow, Yartz--- five freshmen starters of the 'Bronco Machine'.



Rod getting a good lead off third base.



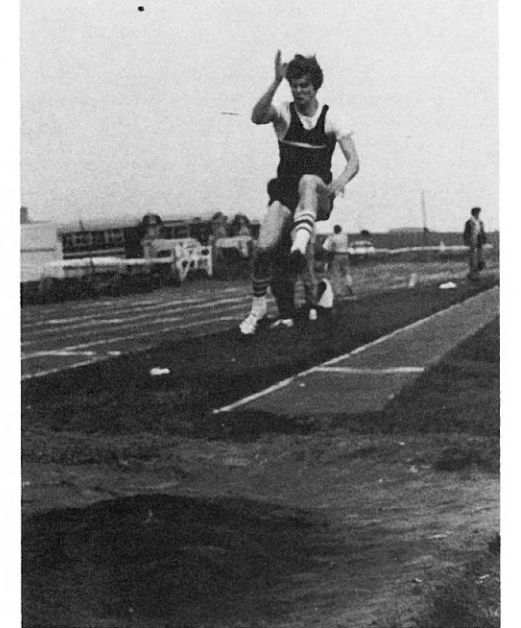
RHS TRACK-1978



1978 Track Stars are from top: R. Reitmeier, J. Humphrey, E. Koch, K. German, T. Babbitt, M. Sackman, J. Glaspie, M. Babbitt, O. Janzen, middle: R. Curtis, J. Kagele, C. Evans, C. Fitch, J. Miller, M. Sanger, T. White, J. Weise, bottom: Coach Olsen, T. Williamson, R. Kembel, B. Ruegsegger, D. Miller, C. Grimm, L. Vargas, Coach Humphrey.



KEMBEL INS. AGCY. Marlan Petersen: Life, Health, Annunities, HR10 & IRA. Becky Kembel: Fire, Auto, Grain. Ritzville 659-1090, Lind 677-3444.



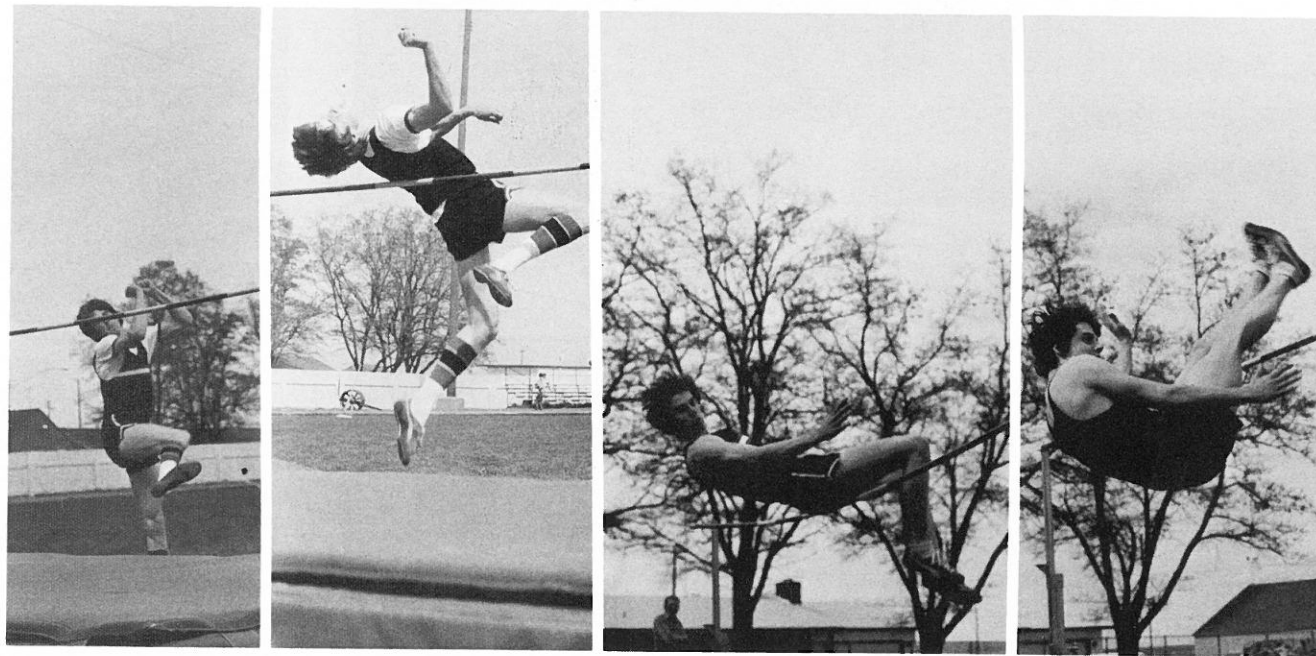
Marty's true determination.

The '78 track season began with all the usual trips around the golf course, to the sheep farm, and "the bridge". With a small turnout of boys and girls this hard work paid off considerably when the Ritzville track teams both took first in Bi-County.

The girls, with strong placings in the distance races, hurdles, shot, and discus were close to first in all meets. Teresa Babbitt, as a sophomore, made it to State in the discus.

The boys were also always close to winning, if not the winners, in all of the meets. They were strong in all events, mostly the high hurdles, triple and long jumps, discus, and the sprints. Marty Sackman made it to State in the 100, Jeff Glaspie in the high hurdles, while Mike Babbitt and Eric Koch made it in the discus.

This track season was truly a good one for Ritzville High School as shown by all of the trophies brought home by the team!



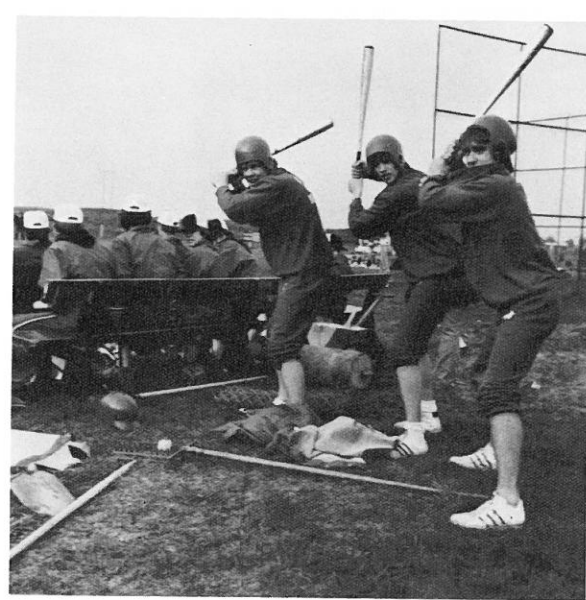
Rory and Orris show their talent in the High Jump.



Jay leaps to second place in Bi-County.



Stats: Colleen and Debbie.



Hey guys, wrong sport!



Robin puts effort into her jump.



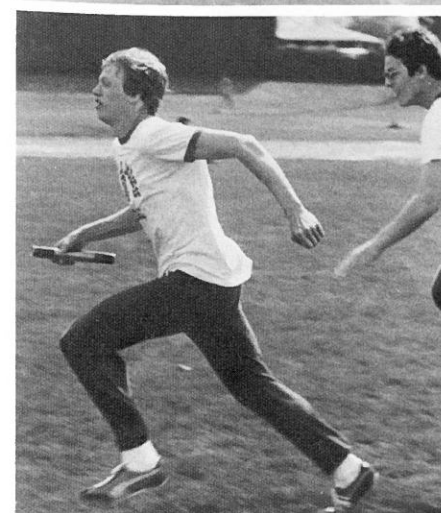
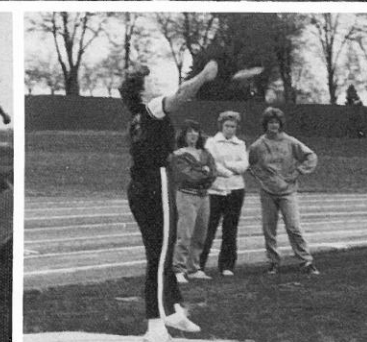
Jay leaps into District.



Mike shows his great form.



Jeff clears 12' in the vault.



THE RACKET HABIT



Back row: Stat: K. Wilsey, C. Kagele, M. Stelzer, S. Knoll, S. Kagele, D. Kagele, J. Hille, B. Gering, H. Hille, D. McCormick, L. Heider, D. Kagele. Front row: D. Patterson, M. Harder, L. Janzen, H. Harder, G. Weber, P. Bowman, J. Kagele, D. Weber, S. Lefevre, C. Ruthven, D. Knoll, K. Klein, R. Kison. Not Pictured: Susan Kison and Nancy Gust.

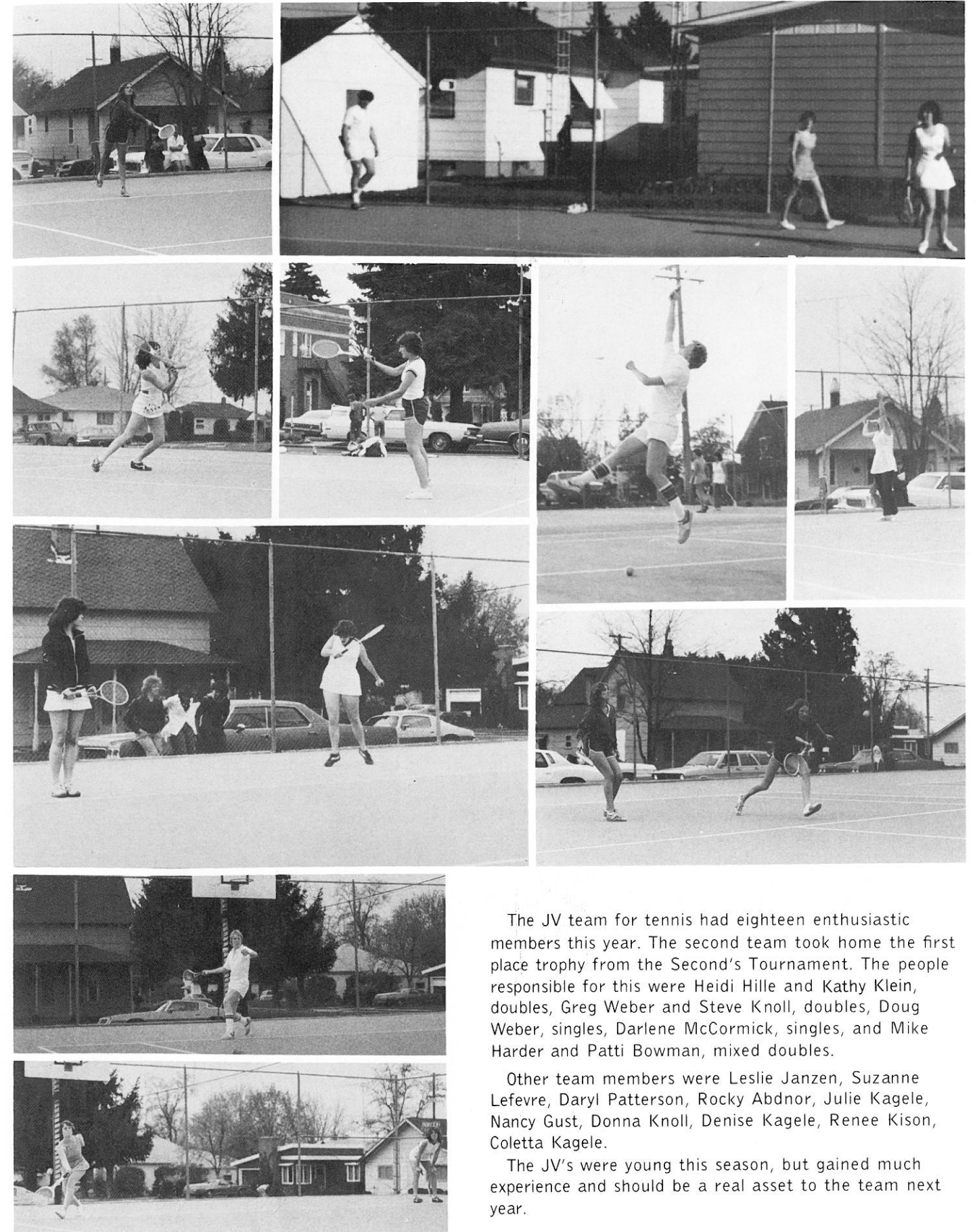


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Nancy, Steve and Darlene relax in style after a hard practice.



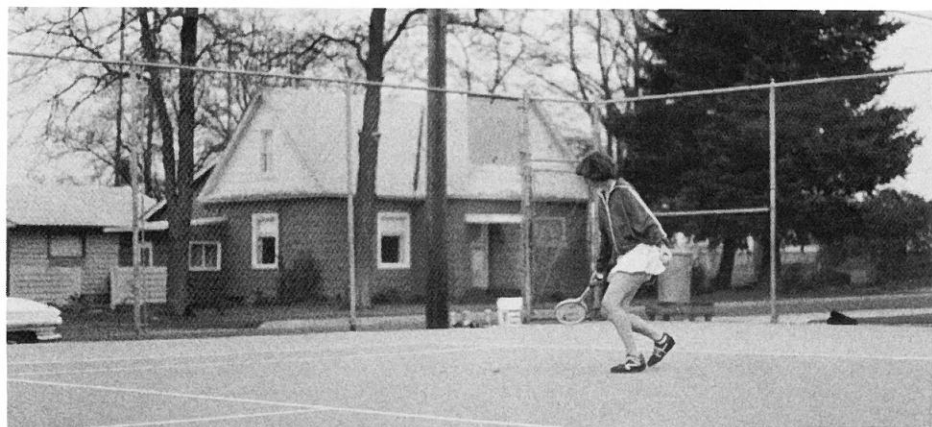
Coach Erickson takes it easy with Julie, Suzanne and Cindy.



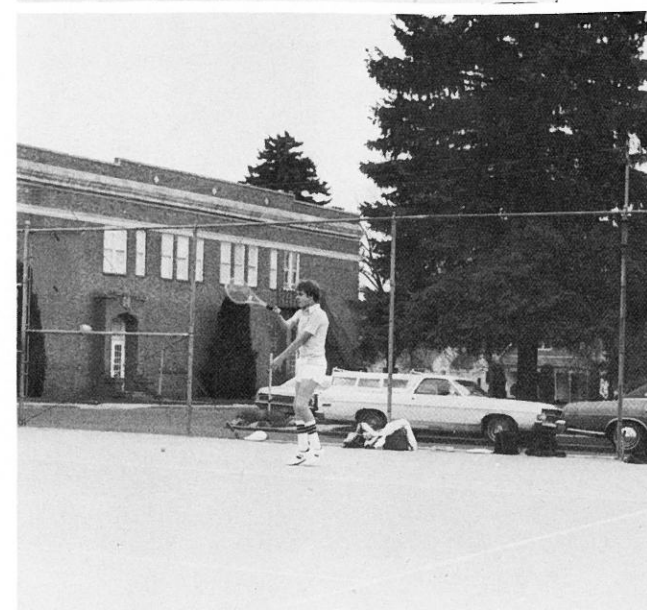
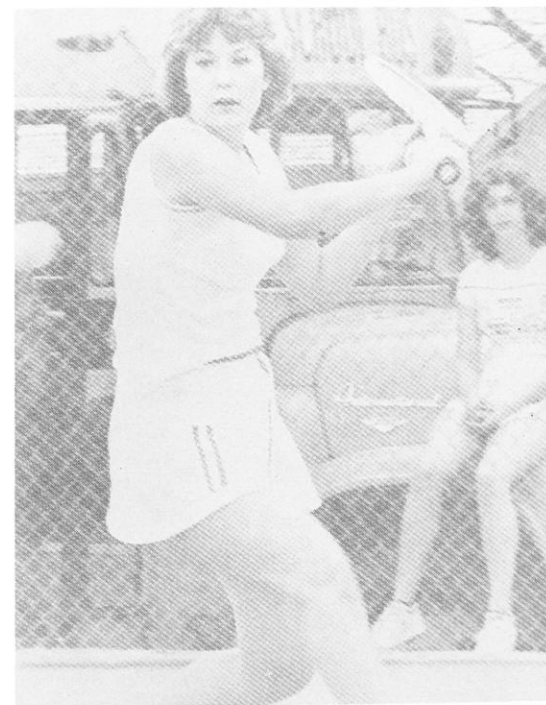
The JV team for tennis had eighteen enthusiastic members this year. The second team took home the first place trophy from the Second's Tournament. The people responsible for this were Heidi Hille and Kathy Klein, doubles, Greg Weber and Steve Knoll, doubles, Doug Weber, singles, Darlene McCormick, singles, and Mike Harder and Patti Bowman, mixed doubles.

Other team members were Leslie Janzen, Suzanne Lefevre, Daryl Patterson, Rocky Abdnor, Julie Kagele, Nancy Gust, Donna Knoll, Denise Kagele, Renee Kison, Coletta Kagele.

The JV's were young this season, but gained much experience and should be a real asset to the team next year.



Our ever faithful stats, Michele, Nancy and Kara



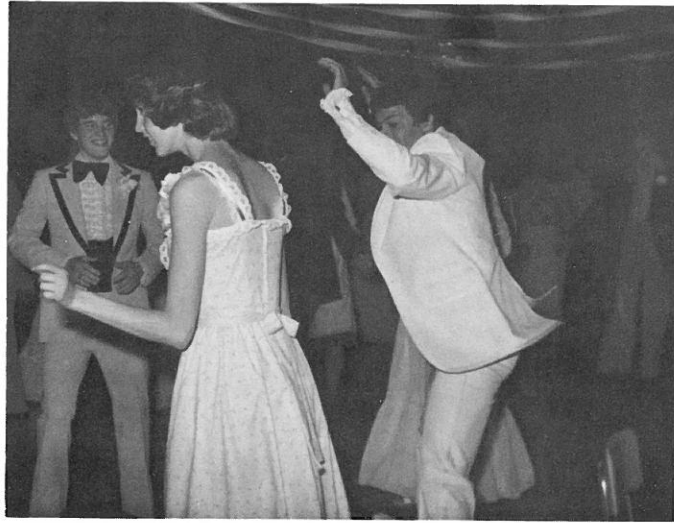
Ritzville Tennis Scores

Ritzville vs Lind	0 - 5
Ritzville vs Almira	5 - 0
Ritzville vs Harrington	2 - 3
Ritzville vs Wilbur	5 - 0
Ritzville vs Riverside	5 - 0
Ritzville vs Odessa	4 - 1
Ritzville vs Sprague	5 - 0
Ritzville vs Reardan	5 - 0

Bi-County results: Lori Heider, singles, second; Joel Hille and DeWayne Kagele, doubles, second; Susan Kison and Michelle Stelzer, second; Steve Kagele and Cindy Ruthven, third; Brad Gering, singles, fourth.

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Junior Senior Prom



Ross shows Mike some new moves.



Steve and Holli enjoy their last RHS dance.

Reflections



Brad and Kathy are obviously enjoying the dance.



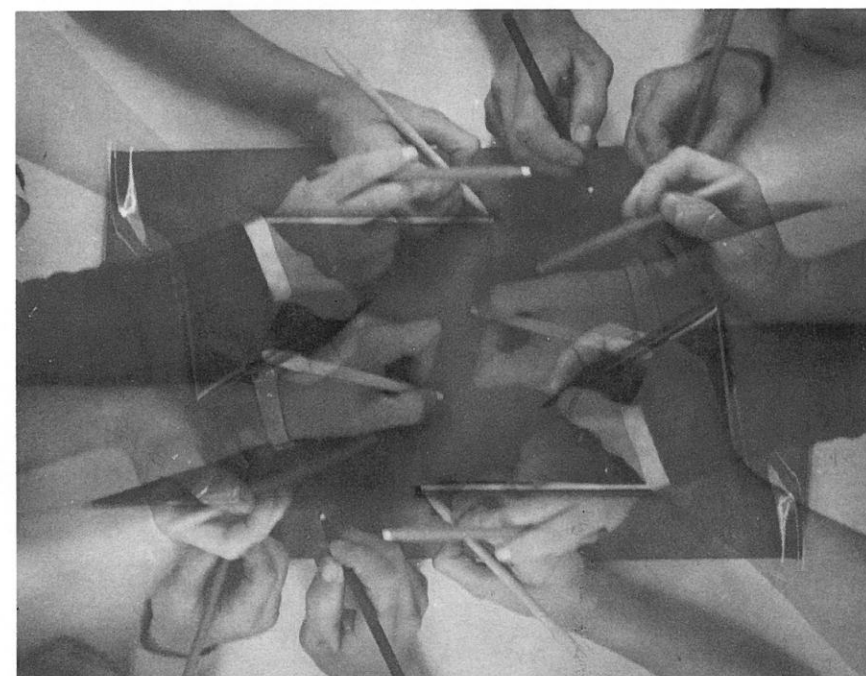
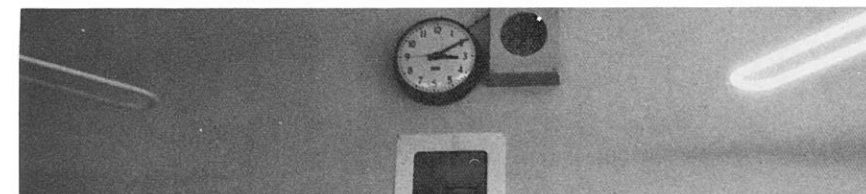
Many people attended the prom.

"Gee John! I haven't had this much fun in a long time."



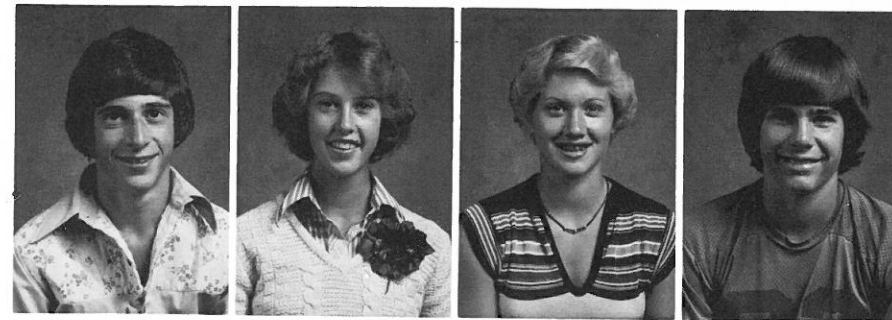
Introduced at the prom was the Lynch Twist.

CLASSES



Tardy slips
Monotonous work
Interesting assignments
Gaining knowledge
Pressured brain aches
Research papers
Tests
Cheat notes
Staying eligible
Pain in the attitude
Gaining insanity
Raising 7734
Practical jokes
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Homework

Class of 81

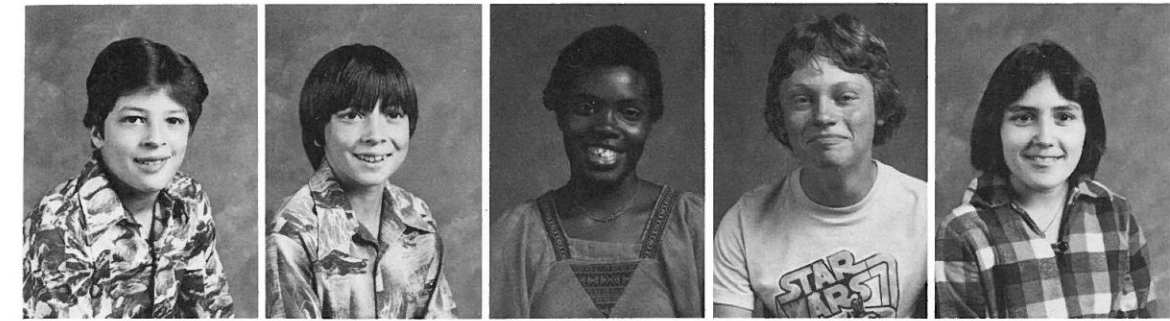


Mike Miller
President

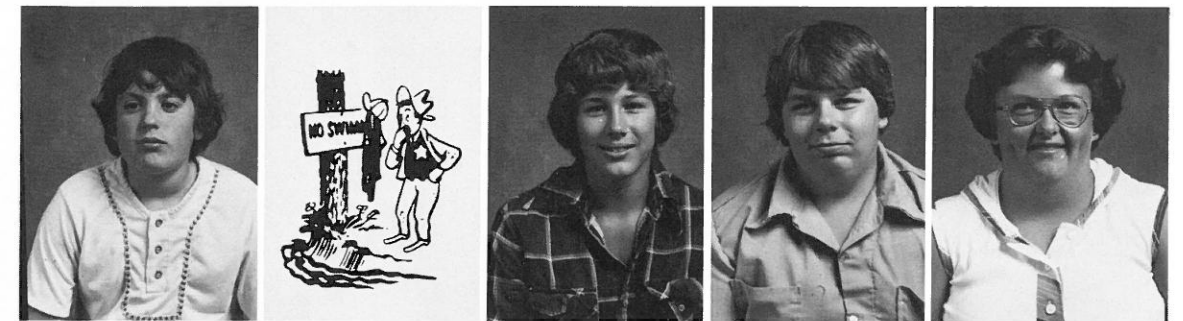
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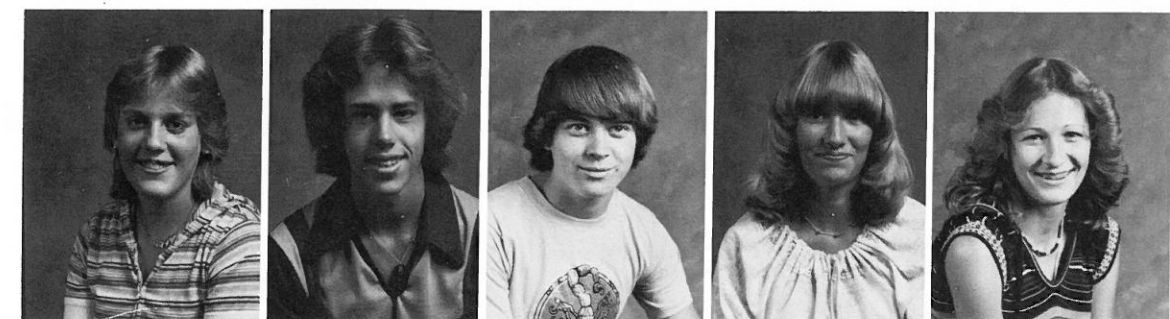
James Burchett
Tami Claus
Chad Eliason
Glen Ford
Debbie Grams

Here's the class of 1981, the seventy sixth class to graduate from R.H.S. We have about 48 to 50 kids in our class, although we're never sure because all of us are never here at the same time! Our class advisor is Mr. Olsen. Renee Kison was the Freshman Homecoming princess. We got second place in the tug-o-war and third overall. We had fun at the car wash which brought in almost a hundred dollars. Both freshman girls and boys turned out to be quite a help in athletics. The way things are going now, the class of "81" will bring excitement to the school.

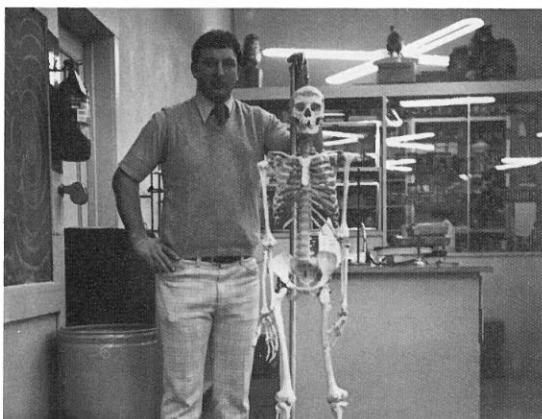


Cindy Grimm
Mitch Heider
Mike Harder
Paige Harder
Joe Huffman

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Kathy Huffman
Donald Huls
Leslie Janzen
Coletta Kagele
Denise Kagele



Left: Freshman advisor, Mr. Don Olson and Priscilla

Right: Put your money where your mouth is, Scott.





Getting high on RITZVILLE WAREHOUSE.



Being cool at westside TEXACO?



Pep club invaded territory.



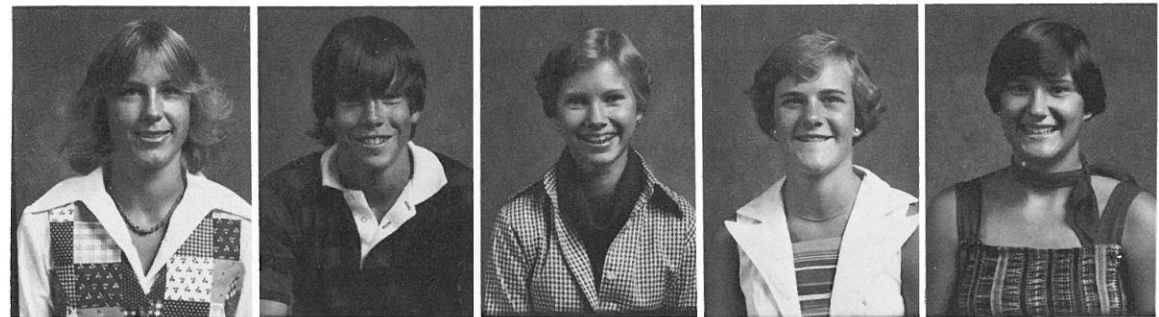
Don't look at the keys, boys!



A little early to be shaving.

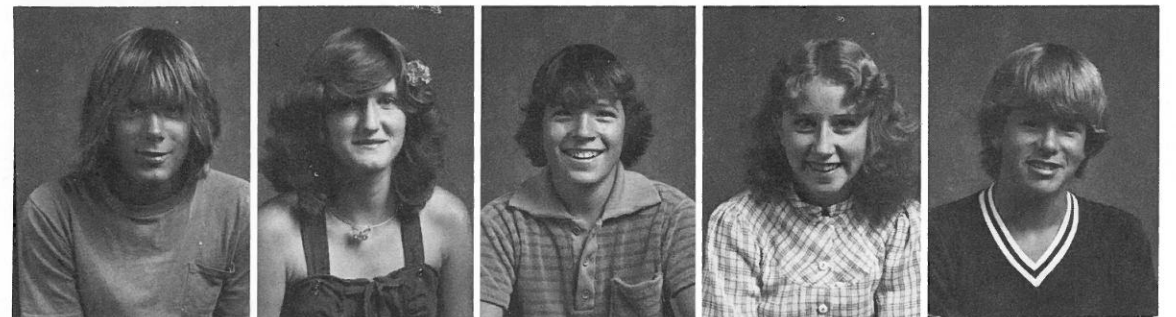


An overworked and underfed English class.



Jullie Kagele
Cregg Kembel
Renee Kison
Kathy Klein
Dona Knoll

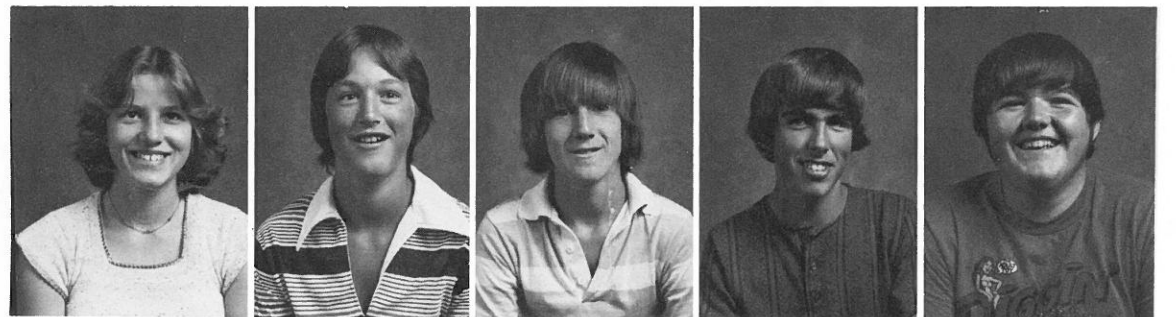
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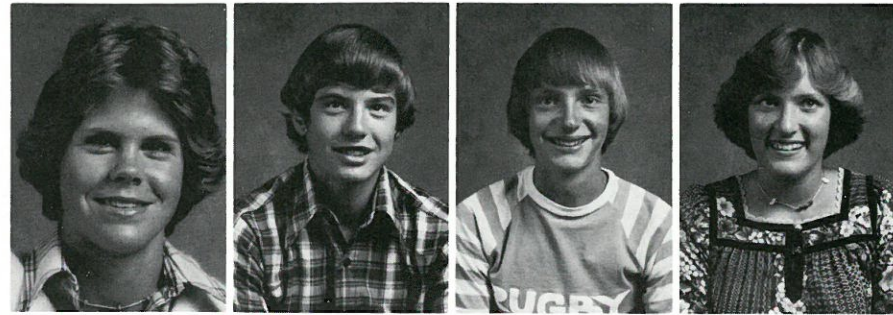


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Danny Snowden
David Stevens
Jeff Stevens
David Swift



Louann Vargas
Pam Wahl
Greg Weber
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Sophomores *Class of 80 in 78*



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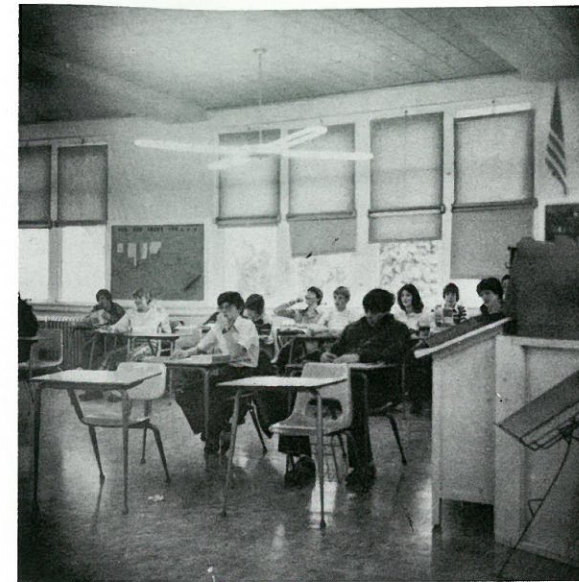
Julie Kagele
Secretary



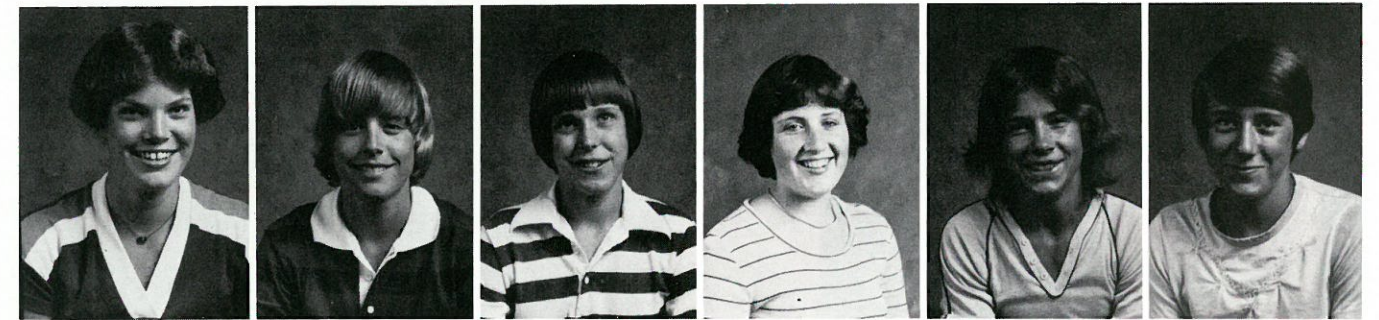
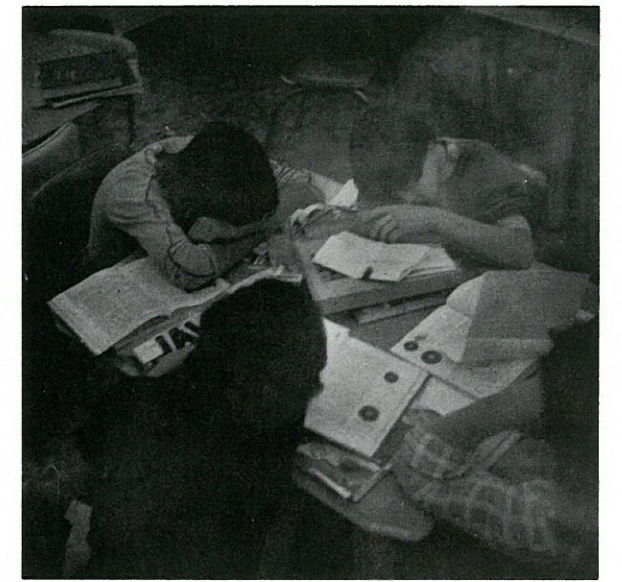
Left: Sophomore advisor
Lynch gets lynched.



Right: Always paying
attention.



Left: A typical
sophomore class
day with Jake H.
typically inserting
his finger up his
nose.
Right: Some days
are obviously more
boring than others.



Teresa Babbitt

Randy Benzel

C.J. Bernard

Patti Bowman

Lane Brown

Perry Brown

Doug Eades

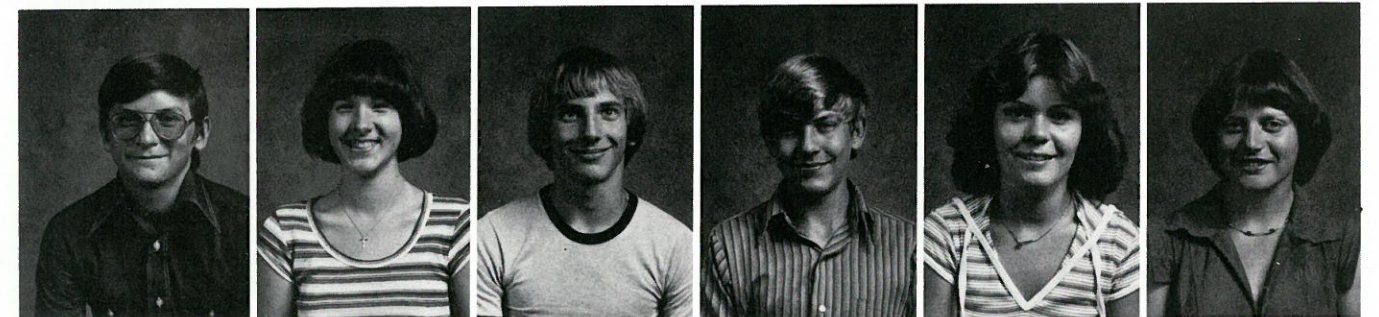
Christine Evans

Mike Geschke

Nancy Gust

Dale Goodwater

Annine Harder



Right: Occasionally, you can find
a sophomore who knows the
meaning of work.
Left: Most often, however, this
class is involved in basic nothing.





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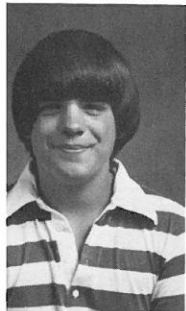
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Suzanne Lefevre



Brenda Lenhart



Ron Manke



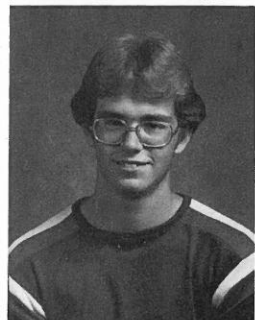
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Joann Macken



Link Miles



Heidi Harder



Jake Harder



Joel Hille



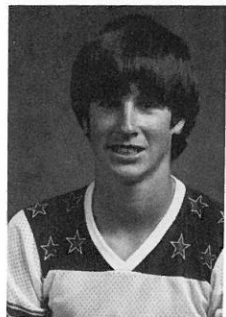
Nancy Iltz



Lena Janssen



Dwight Jech



Rory Kembel



David Kubik



Mark Langenheder

We're the class of 1980. We have 53 students of which most are very active in high school activities, whether they be sports, music, or other organizations.

Our class officers were headed by our president, Robyn Harder with Dean White serving as vice-pres. Julie Kagele handled our secretarial work with Charles Janssen in charge of our finances. We were also blessed with the leadership of our great advisor, Mr. Lynch.

During Homecoming Week we decorated the upstairs halls and managed to place third in the Spirit Jug competition. Lisa Kanzler was the princess from the sophomore class.

Five sophs managed to make it into the Honor Society for their scholarly efforts.

We raised money by having a workday, which turned out to be very profitable.

We've had a good year and are looking forward to graduating in 1980.



Tim Partlow

Traci Pratt

Valerie Reeves



Cindy Ruthven



Pam Schell



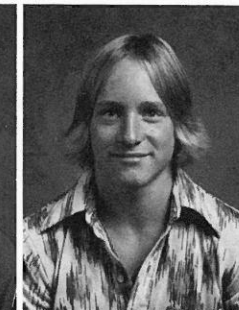
Jesse Sewell



Vicky Swift



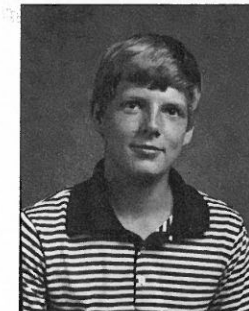
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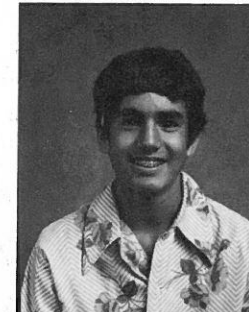
Terina White



Donna Miller



Joel Oestreich



Brian Ruegsegger



Patty Simpson



Kristy O'Bleness



Miya Partlow



Jory Shelton



Annamae Stevens

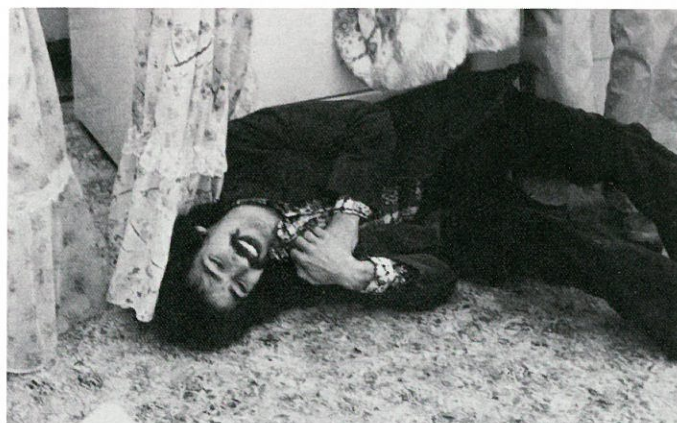
Will Big Joel and Jory buy these ladies a dinner at the CIRCLE T INN, at 214 W. Main? Tune in next year for the answer.



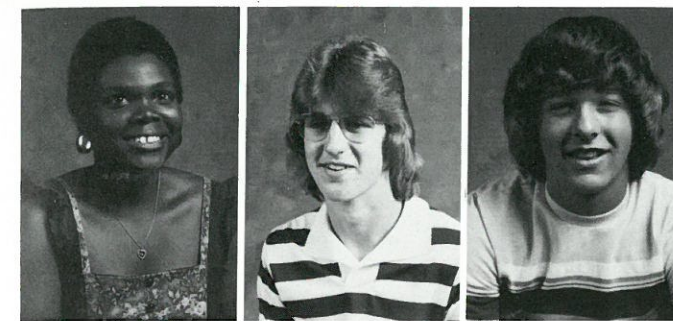
Juniors - The Class of "79" *in 78*



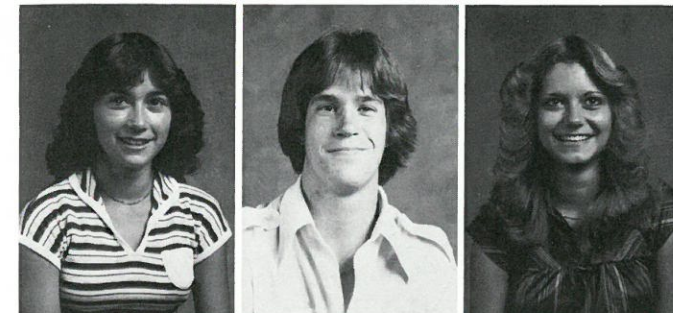
Jay Humphrey President
Michele Kagele Vice President
Michelle Stelzer Treasurer
Lori Heider Secretary
Jeff Glaspie Sergeant-at-Arms



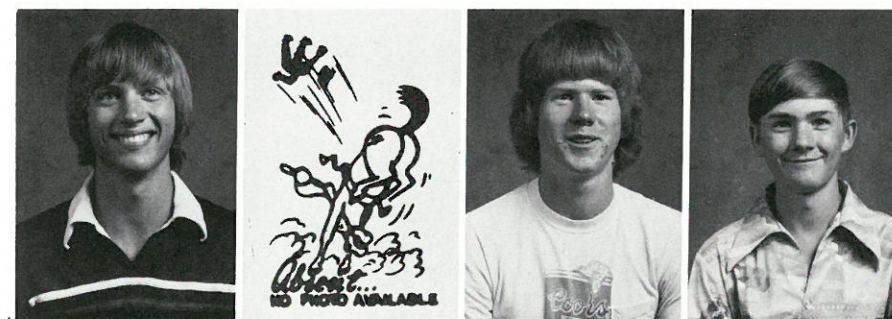
Right, Mr. Phillips, our advisor.
Left, Our classmates, studios as usual.



Ella Mae Adams
Troy Adams
Keven Arlt



Shelly Arp
Mike Babbitt
Monty Basso



Jim Borgans
Brian Bruner
Greg Cogswell
Ron Evans



Connie Fitch
Briana Geriene
Brad Gering
Kathy German



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The forty members of the Junior class have had another super year.

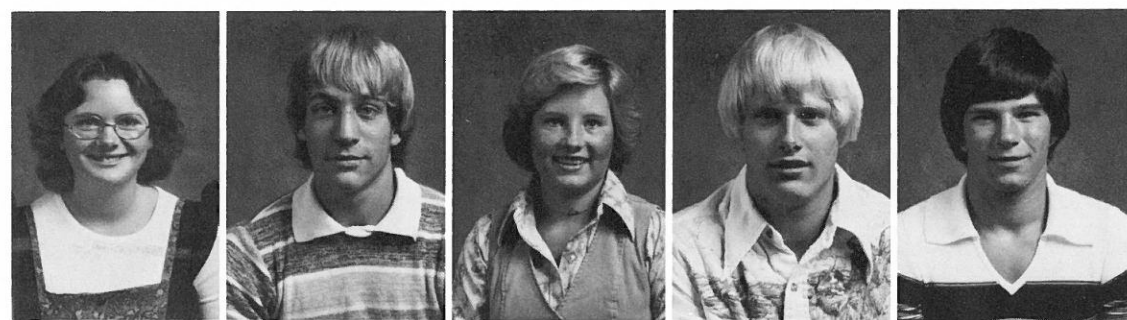
A high point for us was Homecoming as usual, because it really brings our class together and combines our many talents to produce one huge amount of spirit. At 6:00 A.M. in the cold, dark and damp, we decorated the grandstands and had a pretty good time at it. With five junior girls on the cheerleading squad and Mona Sanger as our Homecoming princess, we had extra spirit. In spite of our soggy decorations, we were rewarded with second place overall because of our class organization, cooperation and super spirit.

During the winter months, we kept busy by selling Reeses, Bronco stickers, sponsoring a basketball throw and a feed for the District Wrestling Tourney. These projects were all in attempt to raise money for the Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom held on May 13th. The theme was "Reflections" with "Jade Fever" as the band for the evening.

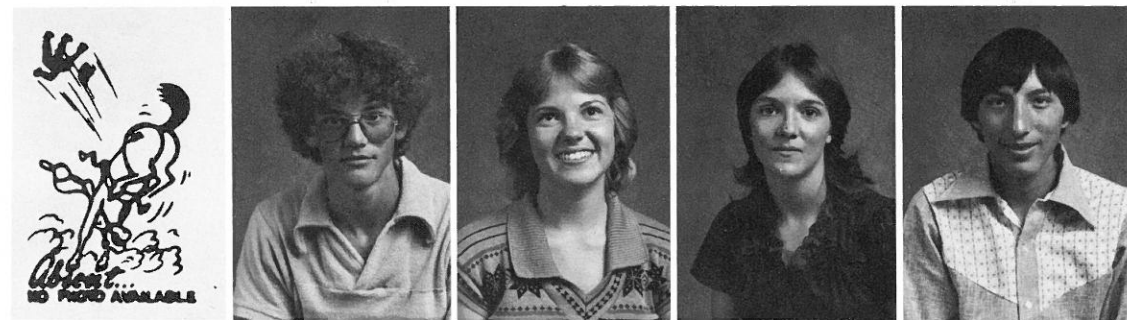
All in all, the year was great and we owe it all to our advisor, Mr. Phillips. Thanks so much for all you've done for us in the past two years, we really appreciate it!!



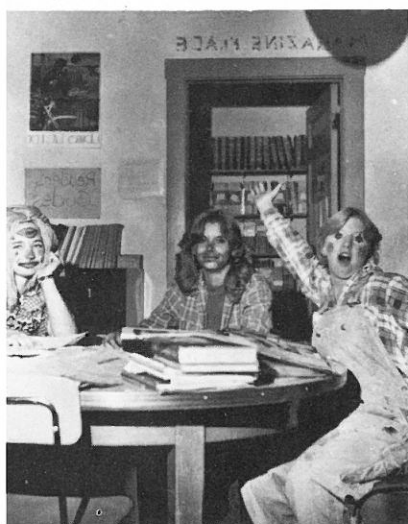
Kenny, why are you leaning against that table?



Sheila Gunsch Kenny Hilzer Lorrie Hodgson Eric Koch David Koehler



Jeff Patterson Rocky Perkins Ronda Reeves Mary Reimers Jim Ruegsegger



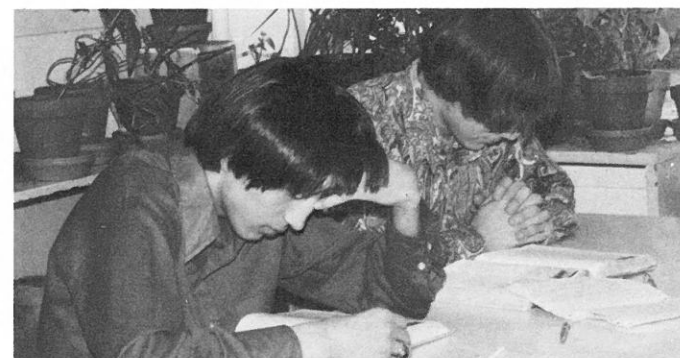
Send in the clowns.



Look at those legs!!!



Connie Templin Cheryl Ulleland Leann Weitz



Time sure flies when you're having fun, doesn't it!!



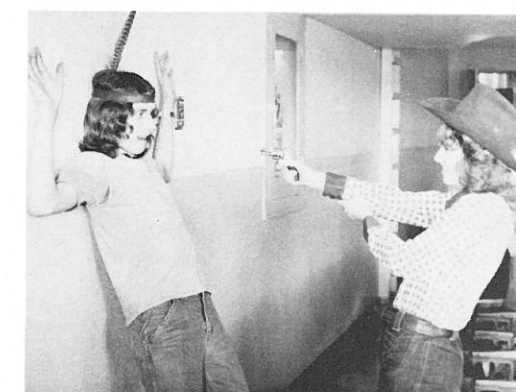
Ron McBride Tammy McCabe Colleen Miller Janet Miller Rick Nelson



Mona Sanger Dan Sieverkropp Chris Snowden Sandy Stanton Alan Telecky



Tom Williamson Tawna Wilsey Tina Yartz



Shouldn't this situation be reversed?



I think I've got it!!

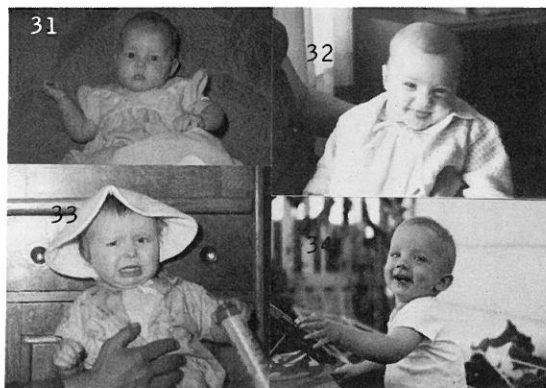
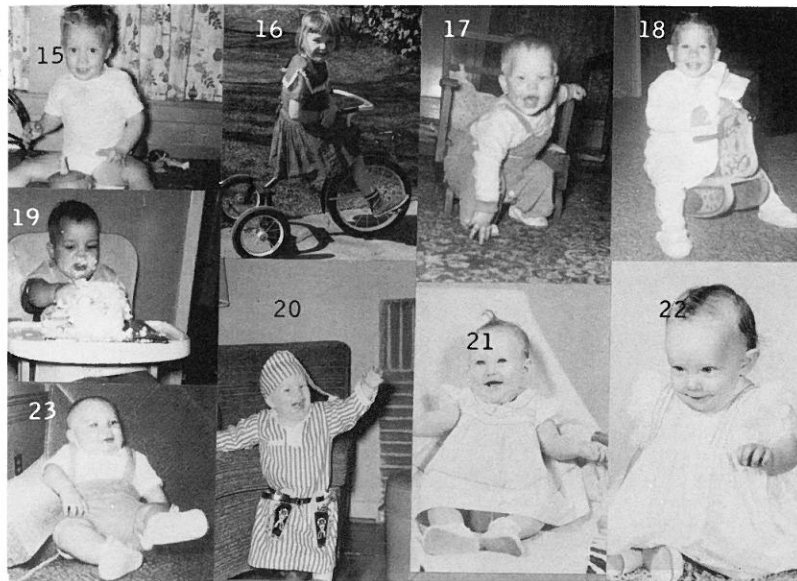


Don't look so bored.



Spiderwoman??

Remember When



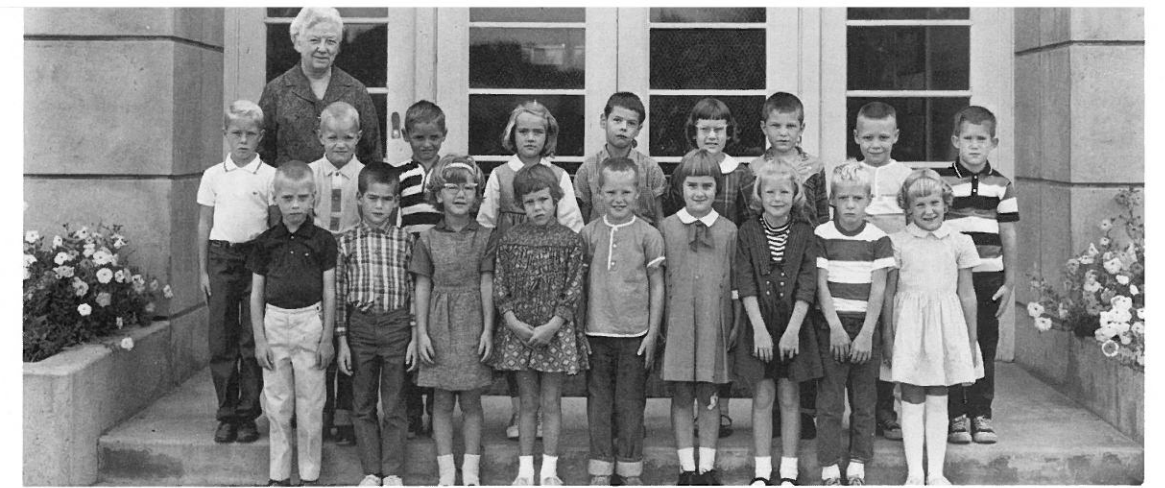
1. K. McCrady
2. J. Williamson
3. S. Knoll
4. T. Abbott
5. B. Sauer
6. S. Kison
7. B. Barnes
8. M. Sackmann
9. M. K. Meyer
10. H. Grams
11. R. Snowden
12. G. Schwisow



13. S. Kembel
14. J. Russell
15. L. Ahern
16. N. Tilden
17. C. Harder
18. J. Weise
19. R. Reitmeier
20. M. Weber
21. T. Grams
22. S. Klein
23. R. Jirava
24. D. Kagele

25. S. Schell
26. M. M. Hardt
27. D. McCormick
28. H. Hille
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30. J. Gibler
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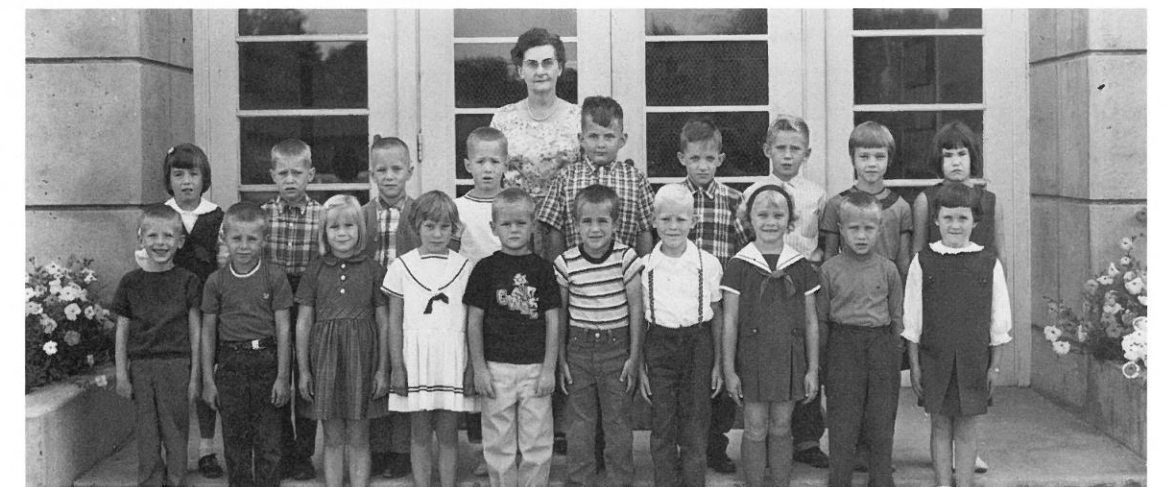
Our First Year



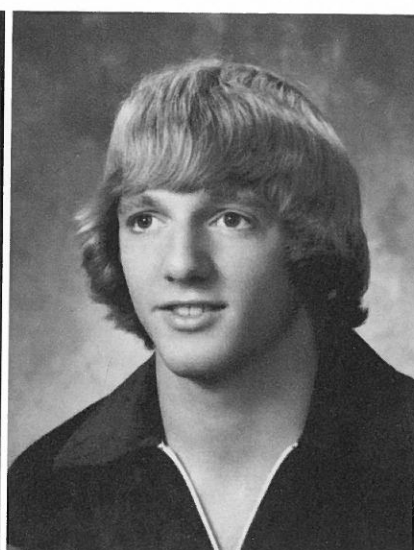
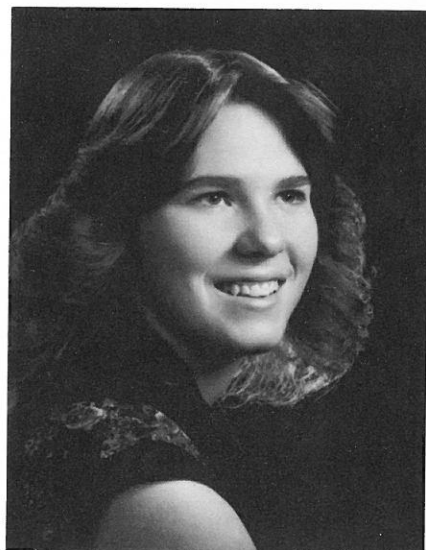
Back: Gary Schwisow, Mrs. Martin, Robert Gumm, Ronnie Schuh, Holli Grams, Orris Janzen, Mary Kay Meyer, Steve Kembel, Brian Sauer, Mike Babbitt. Front: David Peters, Rusty Keiper, Terry Davis, Heidi Hille, Michael Weber, Darlene McCormick, Kim Oestreich, Larry Ahern, Kathy Horst.



Back: Mary Bush, Kevin Wagner, Mary Mae Hardt, Jules Edwards, DeWayne Kagele, Mrs. Rowe, Marty Sackmann, Klay McCrady, Chris Danielson, Jay Weise. Front: ?, ?, Susan Maine, Karen King, Bruce Ford, Gary Schoessler, Layne Iltz, Ron Jirava, Shirley Gill, Rhonda Reed.



Back: Joy Gibler, Tom Tesch, Carl Harder, Ron Snowden, Mrs. Saunders, Gordon Goodwater, Steve Kagele, Steve Knoll, Cindy Sprenger, Brenda Bauer. Front: Keith Bushong, Blake Howard, Nancy Olson, Janet Jakey, Alan Telecky, Dan Sieverkropp, Kevin Fischer, Susan Kison, Eric Ott, Susan Klein.

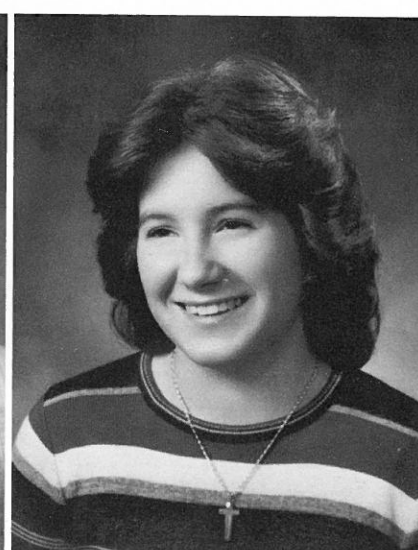
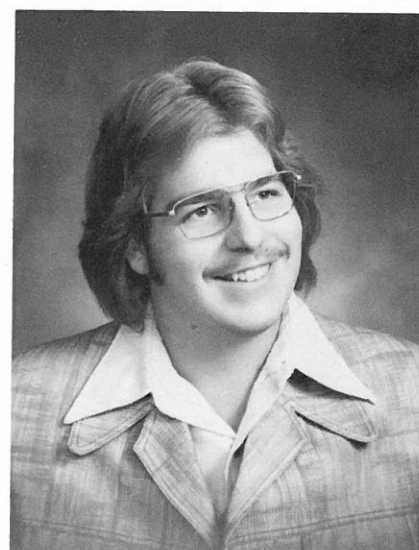


Terrie Lynn Abbott
 "Every minute I am angry I lose 60 seconds of happiness."
 Senior Class Play

Larry M. Ahern
 "Tis a habit of the foolish and the vulgar to value equally the good and bad."
 FFA, Football, Red R, Basketball, FHA, Cross Country

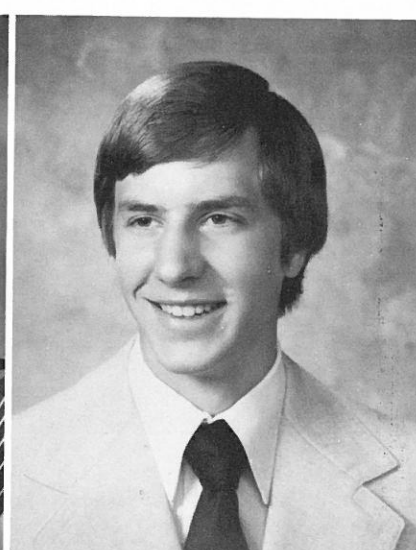
Bruce A. Ford
 "Almost all our faults are more pardonable than the methods we think up to hide them."
 FFA, FHA

Joy L. Gibler
 "The gift worthwhile, is a friendly smile."
 Broncette, Majorette, Honor Band, and Choir, Pep Club



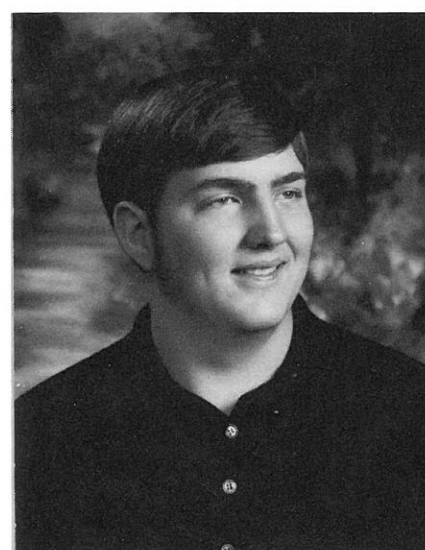
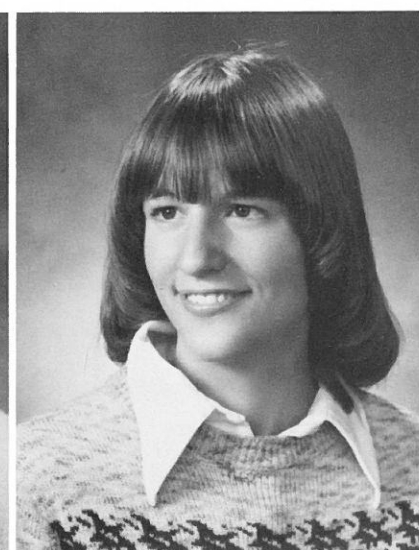
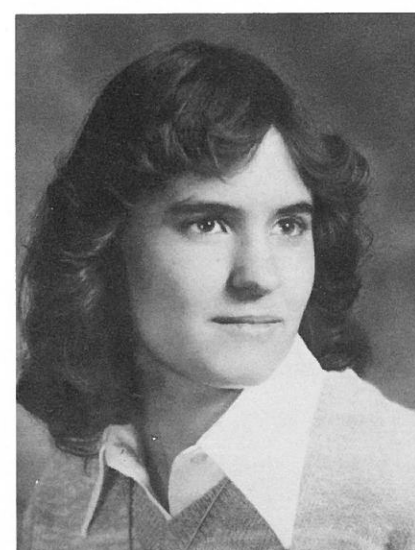
Teresa Ann Grams
 "The pain in your neck you complain of may be the cause of looking backwards."
 FHA

Carl Harry Harder, Jr.
 "Goal setting is the key to most good things in life."
 Honor Band, Pep Band, Wrestling, Red R, FFA-State President



Bobbi D. Barnes
 "Of all the treasures fair to see, a little ring is the thing for me."
 Pep Club, Honor Band, Choir

Carol Lynn Blanchette
 "Rings and jewels are not gifts but, apologies for gifts. The true gift is a portion of yourself."
 Choir, Pep Club, Drama Class

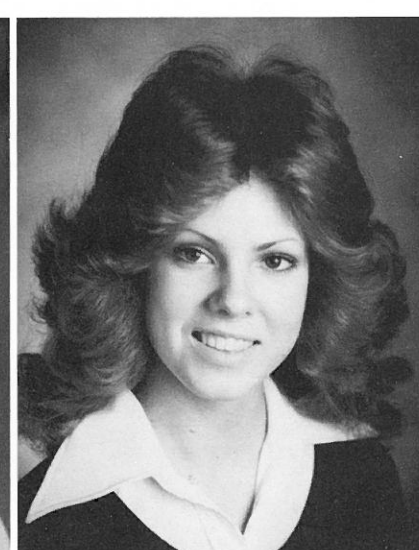
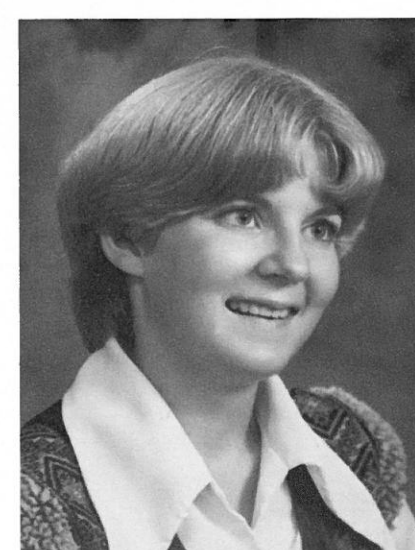


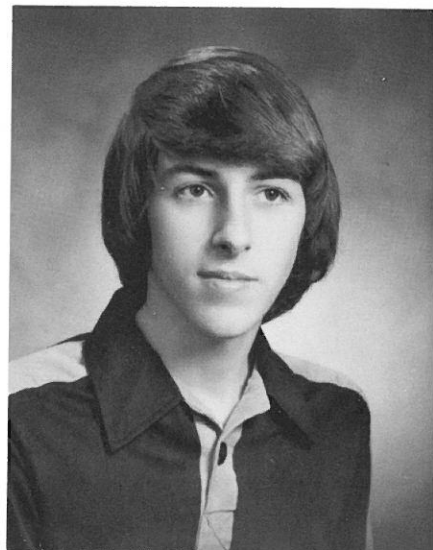
Gordon Gilbert Goodwater
 "Never do today what you can put off until tomorrow; unless it is due tomorrow, then stay up all night and get it done!"
 FFA-reporter, Publications staff-photographer

Holli Lynn Grams
 "Without love and laughter there is no joy."
 Red R-President, Basketball-captain, Volleyball-captain, Honor Society, Student Council, Pep Club, Publications Staff, Honor Band and Choir, Homecoming Queen, Church Youth Singers

Mary Mae Hardt
 "Today, well lived, makes every yesterday a dream of happiness and every tomorrow a vision of hope."
 Publications staff-Annual Editor, Honor Society, Volleyball, Pep Club, Red R, Student Council, Drama, Adams County Wheat Queen

Heidi Lynn Hille
 "Do not wish to be anything but what you are, and try to be that perfectly."
 FHA-Degree Chr., Honor Society, Pep Club, Broncettes, Band, Pep Band, Tennis, Drama, Music accompanist, Ritzville Royalty, All-State and Honor Choir, Church-Choir and Youth



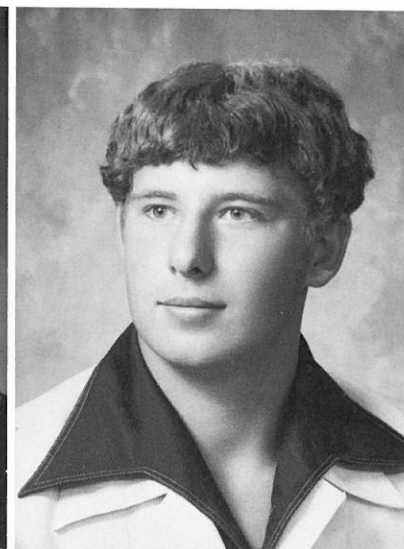
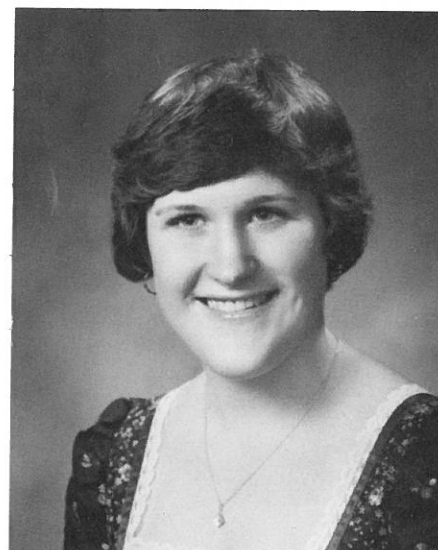
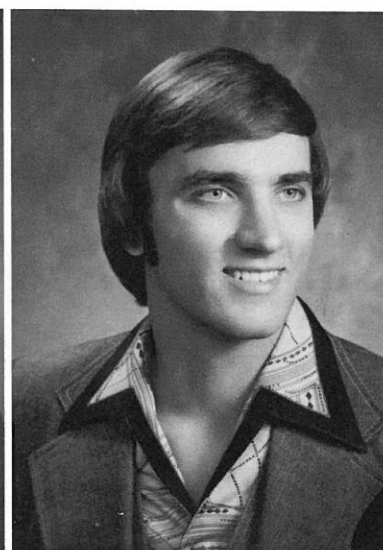
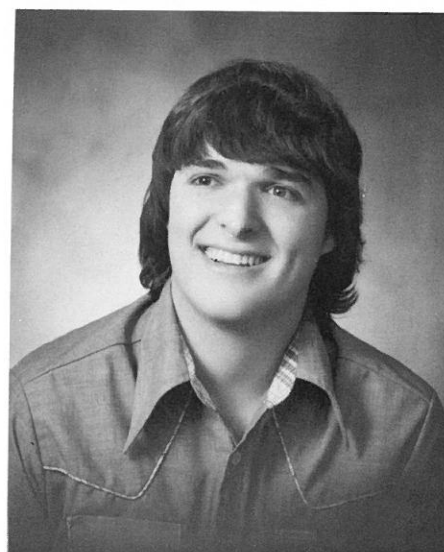


Layne Iltz
 "All great men are dead, and I don't feel so well myself."
 Red R, FHA, FFA

Cheryl Rae Janssen
 "Good words are worth much, and cost little."
 Pep Club, Broncettes, Honor Choir, Student Council, Senior Class-Sec. / Treas.

DeWayne Richard Kagele
 "The Future is Now"
 Tennis, Stage Band, Band, FFA-treas., FHA

Steven Frederick Kagele
 "When the going gets tough-let some one else do it."
 Band, Choir, Drama, Basketball, Tennis, Swing Choir, Stage Band, Harvester Editor.

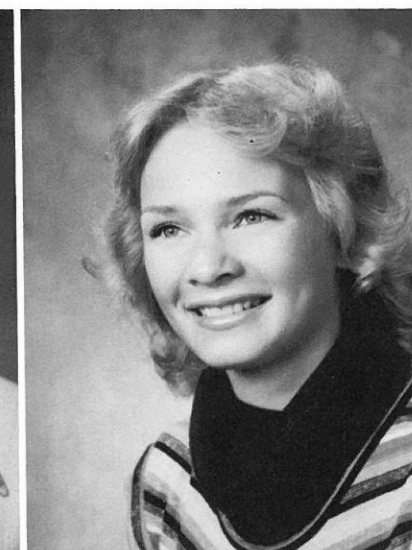
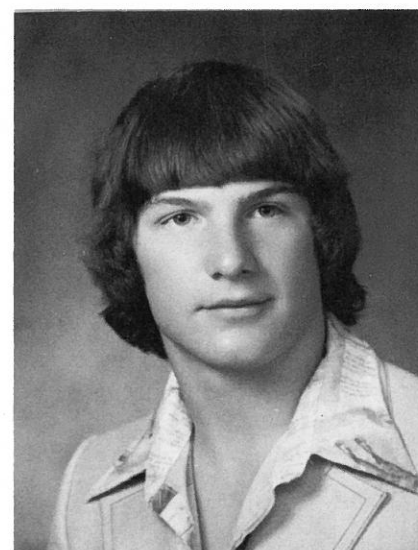
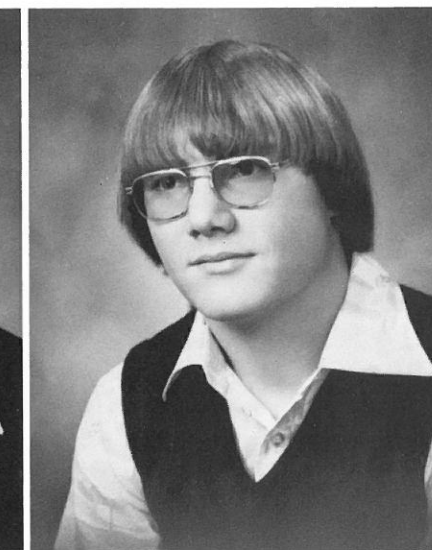
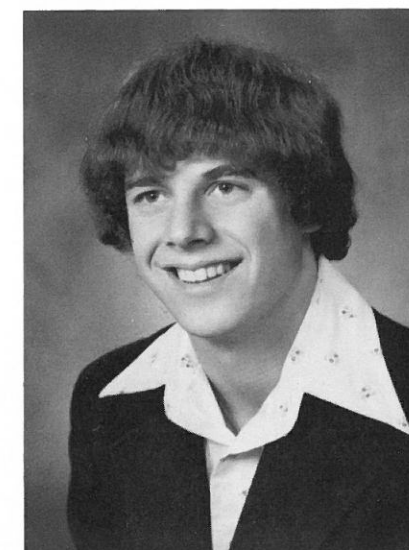


Susan Gail Klein
 "In making others happy you will be happy too, for the happiness you give away returns to shine on you."
 ASB Secretary, Honor Society, Broncettes, Pep Club-Sec. / Tres., Honor Choir, Church Youth Group, FHA-songleader, Senior Class Play

Steven Michael Knoll
 "Each must find his own road."
 Tennis, Football, Band, Boy Scouts, Pep Band

Orris Janzen
 "Anyone can win unless there happens to be a second entry."
 Track, Football, FFA

Ronald Paul Jirava
 "I may not walk the straight and narrow but I try to cross it as often as I possible can."
 FFA-president, FHA, Drama

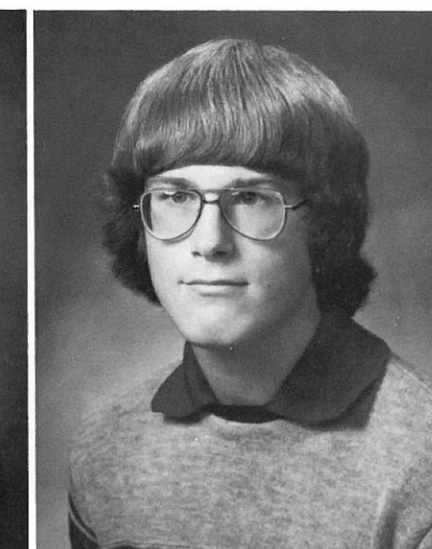
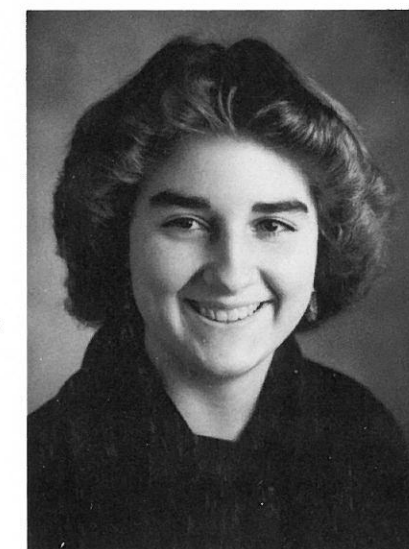


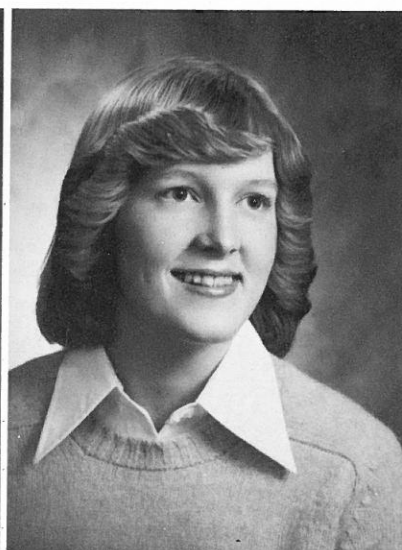
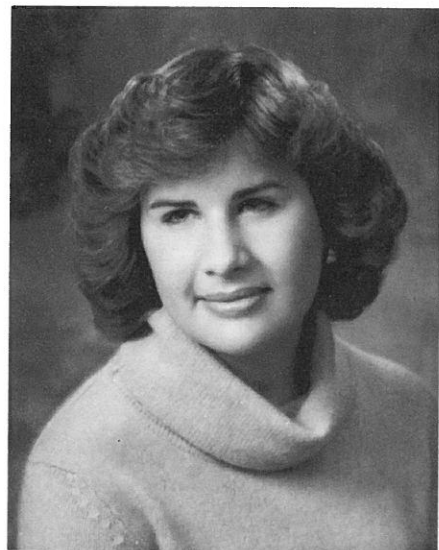
Steven Walter Kembel
 "Men are able to trust one another, knowing the exact degree of dishonesty they are entitled to expect."
 Football, Basketball, FFA, Red R, FHA, Track

Susan Jane Kison
 "If you can imagine it, you can achieve it. If you can dream it, you can become it."
 Pep Club, Broncettes, FHA, Red R, Volleyball-captain, Tennis, Rainbows, Honor Choir, Miss Ritzville, Senior Class Play

Darlene Kay McCormick
 "Accept me as I am, so I may learn what I can become."
 Honor Society, FHA-Vice President, Red R, Tennis, Pep Club, Broncettes, Choir, Senior Class President, Student Council, Drama

Klay Marcus McCrady
 "Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant with the weak and wrong. Sometime in life you will have been all of these."
 Football, Basketball, FFA, FHA, Red R-Secretary, Luther League-President



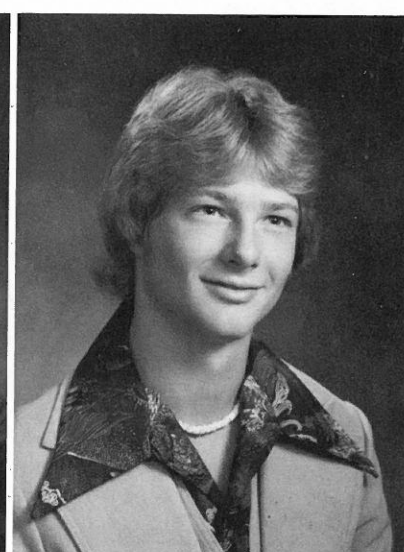
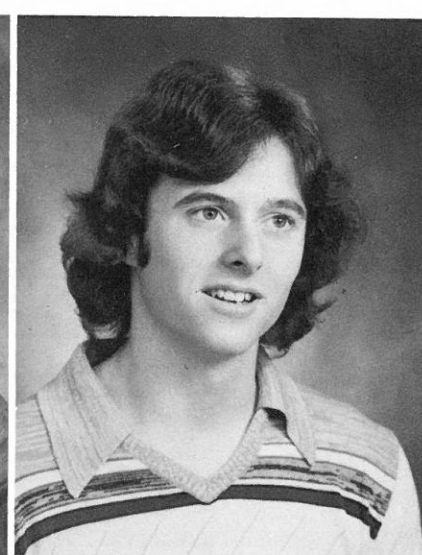
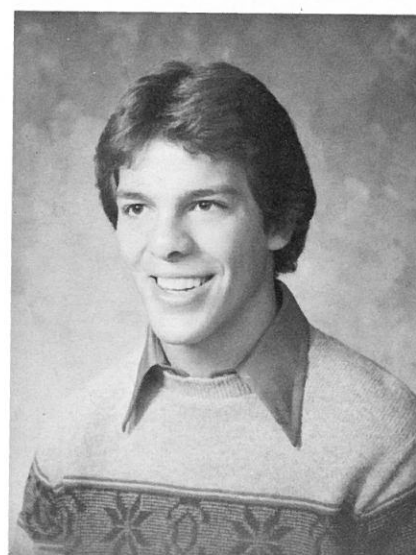


Mary Kay Meyer
 "Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well."
 Pep Club-Pres., Choir, FHA, Broncettes, Honor
 Society, Who's Who, Rainbows, Senior Class Play,
 Honor Choir

Kimberlee Marcia Oestreich
 "Make sure of all things; hold fast to what is fine."
 Choir

Ross Owen Reitmeier
 "The best part of you is who you are inside."
 Honor Society-Pres., Red R, Drama, Basketball,
 Football, Track, Eagle Scout, Student Council,
 Church Choir

John Paul Russell
 "Nothing that's forced can ever be right. If it doesn't
 come naturally, leave it."
 Publications staff-photographer, FFA

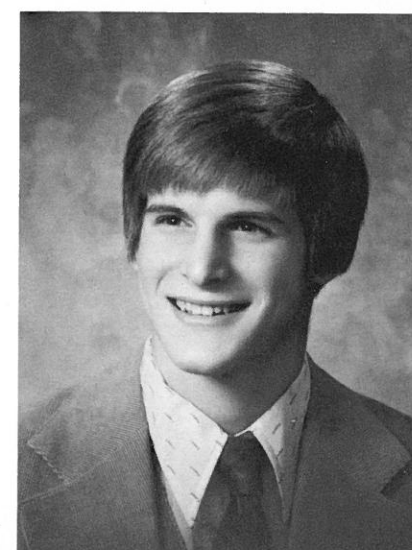
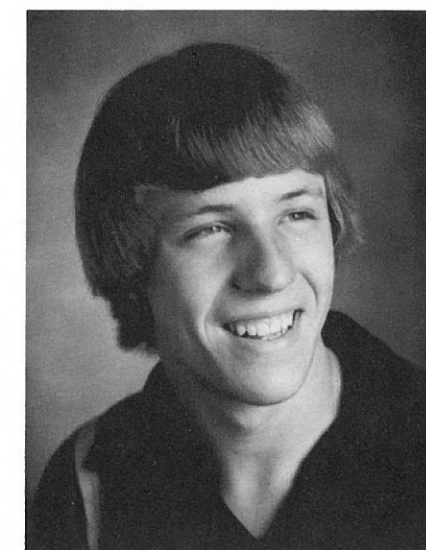


Stacey Lee Schell
 "If at first you do succeed-try to hide your
 astonishment."
 Ritzville Princess, ASB Treasurer, Honor Band, Pep
 Band, Pep Club

Gary Marvin Schwisow
 "Happiness is found along the way, not at the end of
 the road."
 Football, Baseball, Boys' State, FHA, Red R

Eric A. Ott
 "It isn't what you know that counts, it's what you
 do."
 FFA, FHA

Rhonda Sue Reed
 "Time is precious, but truth is more precious than
 time."
 Choir

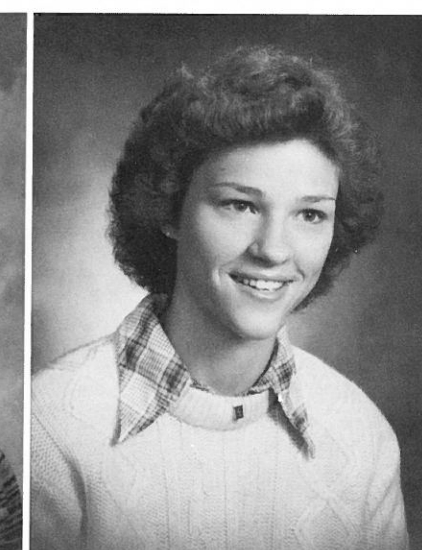
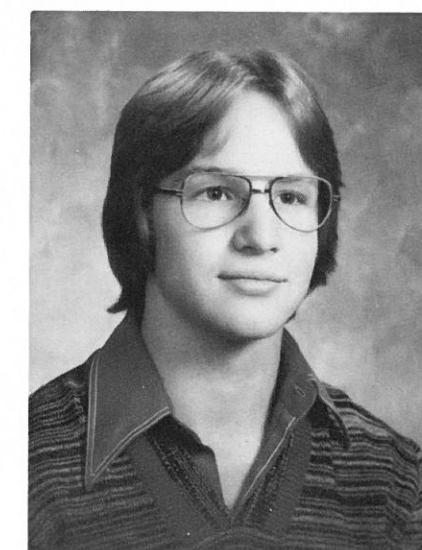


Charles Martin Sackmann
 "Dreams are meant to be pursued, for in their
 pursuit we find the will to go on and from this will we
 find a dream come true."
 Honor Society, Band, Choir, Folk Group, Red R,
 Drama, Football-Co-captain, Track

Brian Walter Sauer
 "Nothing is achieved before it is thoroughly
 attempted."
 ASB President, Honor Society, Band, Red R,
 Football, Basketball-Manager, Stage Band, Drama,
 FFA

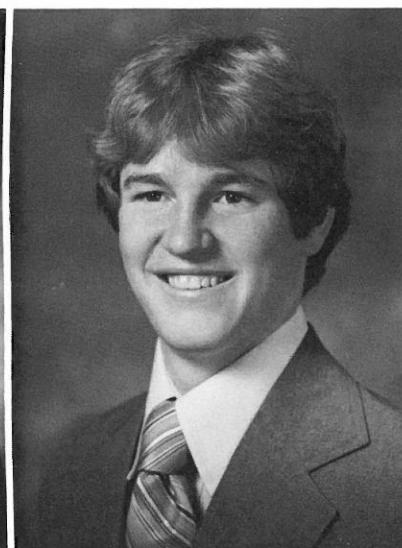
Ronald D. Snowden
 "Always go for the Gusto, because one day the Gusto
 will be gone."
 Football, Baseball, FFA, Drama, Publications Staff,
 Folk Group, FHA, Honor Band and Choir, Videotape
 operator at BB Games

Cynthia A. Sprenger
 "Sail, don't drift."
 Cheerleader-Yell Queen, Volleyball, Rainbows, Track,
 Honor Society, Pep Club, Folk Group, Red R, Drama,
 Honor Choir



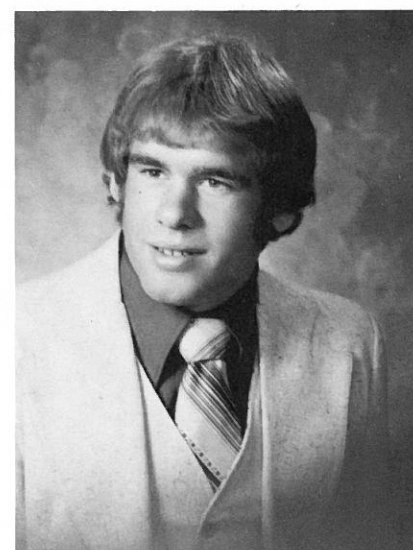


Jay R. Weise
"He who turns the other cheek too far gets it in the neck."
Football, Red R-President, Track

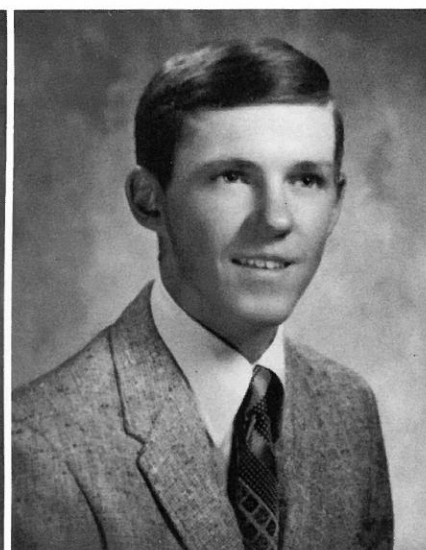


Naomi Alice Tilden
"It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness."
Pep Club, Band, Honor Choir

Michael Shawn Weber
"To understand others you must first understand yourself."
Basketball, Football Trainer, Publications Staff-Photographer, FHA, Red R-Treasurer



James Lee Williamson
"It was better to have played basketball and sat on the bench than to have grappled."
Basketball, FFA-Sentinel, Band



For everyone of us,
there is a purpose in life
and a goal to reach.

Light Green and White
White Rose

Baccalaureate
Ritzville High School Auditorium
Class of 1978
Sunday Evening, May 21
8:00 o'clock

Processional, "Trumpet Voluntary in D Major" Henry Purcell
Michelle Stelzer, Pianist

Class Led By Colleen Miller and Tom Williamson
(Members of the Junior Class)

Invocation Rev. Rea Thompson

Song by Audience "America the Beautiful"
(Words on Reverse Side)

Baccalaureate Address Rev. Ernest Sprenger

"Blessed is the Man" Gretchaninoff
"Sound Over All Waters" Butler
High School Choir directed by Mr. Dennis Koch

Benediction Rev. Rea Thompson

Recessional, "Largo" George Frederick Handel
Michelle Stelzer, Pianist



The white roses and flower arrangements were purchased by the Sophomore class at HANSON'S FLOWERS AND JEWELRY.

Commencement

Sunday, May 28, 4:00 p.m.



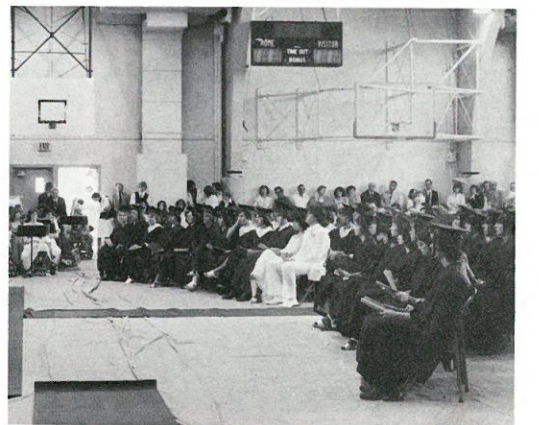
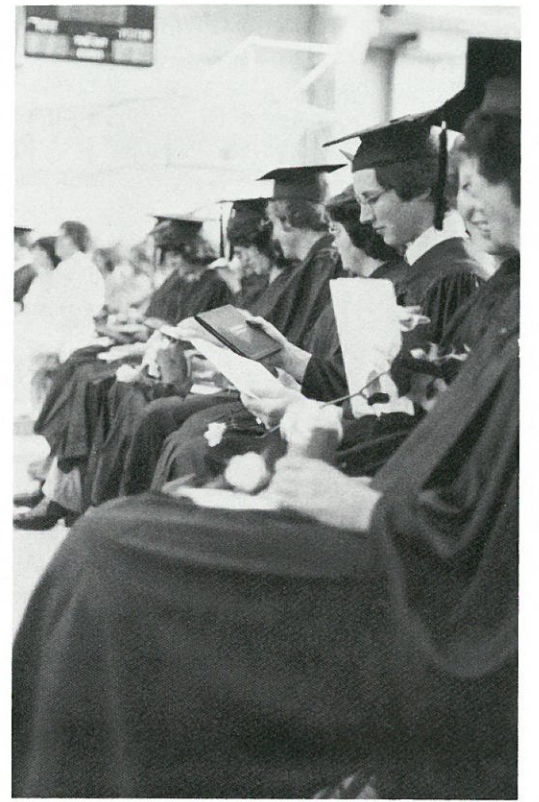
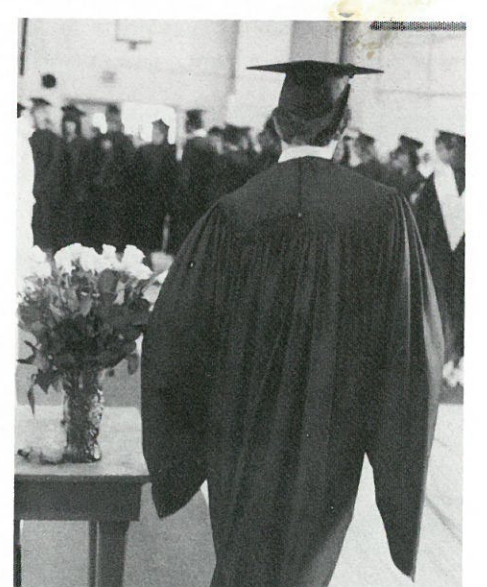
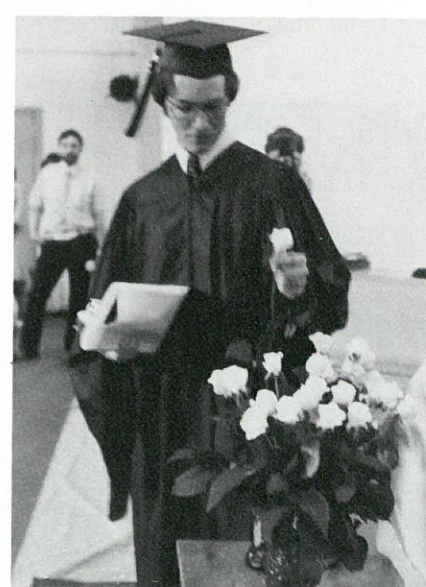
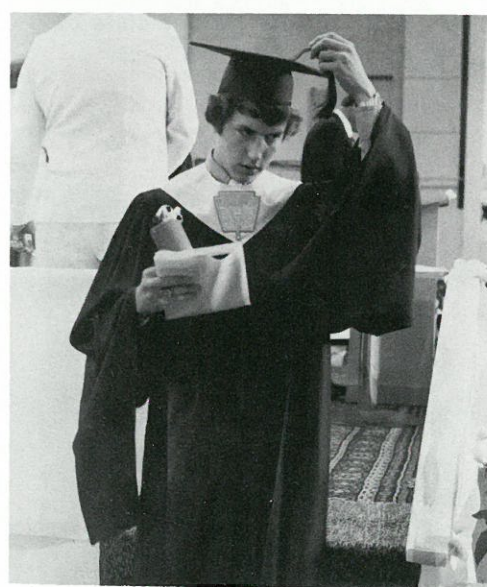
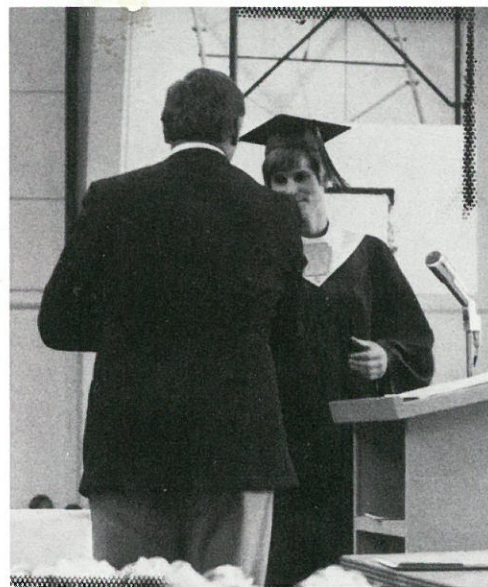
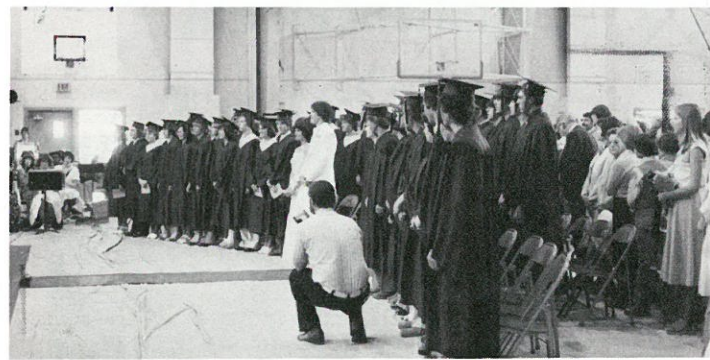
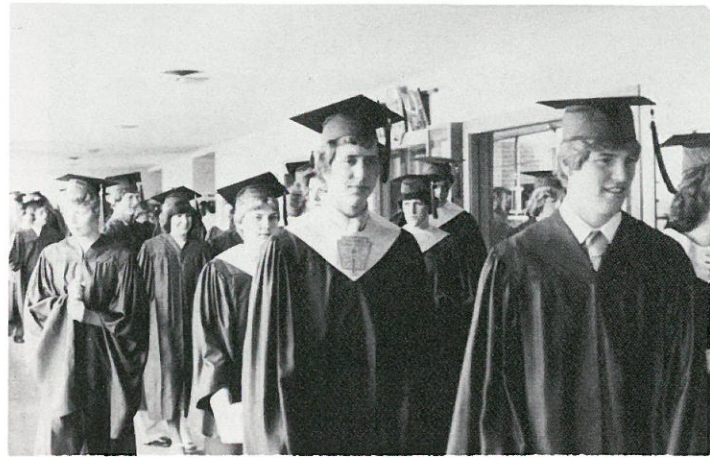
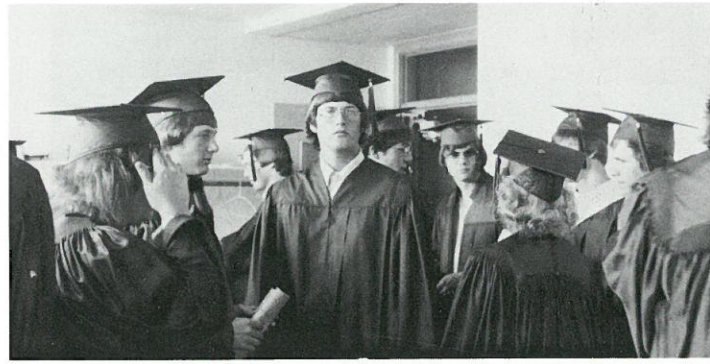
Colleen Miller
Tom Williamson



Michelle Stelzer
Mike Babbitt



Processional — "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar
High School Band directed by Mr. Dennis Koch	
Senior Class led by Michelle Stelzer and Mike Babbitt	
National Anthem	Audience
Invocation	Ross Reitmeier
Welcome	Heidi Hille
"Together"	Besig
"Friends With You"	Danoff
High School Choir directed by Mr. Dennis Koch	
Accompanied by Heidi Hille	
Student Speaker	Brian Sauer
Presentation of Awards	Principal Lynn Lupfer
Presentation of Scholarships	Counselor Renee Matson
Appreciation	Darlene McCormick
Senior Class President	
Presentation of Class	Superintendent John J. Elkum
Presentation of Diplomas	Principal Lynn Lupfer
Benediction	Susan Klein
Recessional — "Celebration"	Jones
High School Band directed by Mr. Dennis Koch	



Scholarships and Awards

Mike Weber-Dirk Curtis Memorial Scholarship, Grant from Washington State University, Ritzville Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship, Ritzville Professional Women Award, Inspirational Award
 Brian Sauer-Seattle-First National Bank Award for "full tuition"
 Marty Sackmann-Scholarship from Linfield College, American Legion Award, Creative Arts and Music Contribution Awards
 Darlene McCormick-American Legion Award, Bronco Booster Award
 Carl Harder-Future Farmers of America Award, George and Anna Amen Grant
 Mary Mae Hardt-Scholarship from Bethel College
 Holli Grams-Auxiliary Scholarship
 Cindy Sprenger-Paul Teske Scholarship, Athletic Award
 Steve Kagele-Paul Teske Scholarship, Drama Award
 Heidi Hille-Paul Teske Scholarship, Music Achievement Award,
 Gordon Goodwater-Paul Teske Scholarship,
 Gary Schwisow-Paul Teske Scholarship,
 Susan Klein-Inspirational Award,
 Ross Reitmeier-Athletic Award



Our Senior Year

Our Senior year began May 26, 1977—the day the 1977 Seniors left. We immediately took over ruling the roost and calling ourselves SENIORS!

With a little work we undertook a booth at the fair. It was great fun taking money from the suckers who played our game.

Once school started we were all feeling pretty high and mighty. Our Senior football and volleyball stars (as well as all our other sports stars) gave us something to be proud of. We worked harder for Homecoming week than we ever had before. We were justly rewarded with the Spirit Jug.

The night of our Senior Ball started out well enough, with a dinner at the Bruce Hille home. But, it turned into a night we will never live down. It will always be known as the "Bomb Prom". After all, what is a Prom without a band? All was not a total loss, the band finally showed up for a dance in February.

We had always heard about SENIORITIS; but you cannot imagine what it is like until you actually experience it. There was no way to escape; we got it, and bad!

During spring we showed the world just how talented our class is. We produced a Senior Class Play called IT HAPPENS EVERY SUMMER. Talent like ours is hard to find!

We were honored by the Juniors at a super banquet and prom on May 13. On May 14 we traveled to Spokane for a dinner at the Davenport. You might say it was our last meal together.

Lyon's Ferry was the scene of our class picnic. The weather, for a change, was pretty nice. We all came home with hard earned sunburns.

Finally our big day arrived—May 28! Graduation was the perfect ending to a wonderful year for the class of 1978.

Spring brought more than most of us bargained for.

Remembering

12 Years Together



Senior Hall of Fame

Most Macho-Ross Reitmeier
 Most Womanly-Susan Klein
 Biggest Flirt-
 Susan Kison and Jay Weise
 Stacey Schell and Steve Kagele
 Most Kissable Lips-
 Mary Kay Meyer and Mike Weber
 Heidi Hille and Marty Sackmann
 Cutest Buttocks-
 Cindy Sprenger and Steve Kembel
 Heidi Hillie and Marty Sackmann
 Prettiest Eyes-
 Heidi Hille and DeWayne Kagele
 Mary Kay Meyer and Larry Ahern
 Most Likely to Marry First-
 Holli Grams and Steve Kembel
 Darlene McCormick and Jay Weise
 Most Likely to Stay Single-
 Layne Iltz and Eric Ott
 Most Likely to Produce the Most Children-
 Susan Klein and DeWayne Kagele
 Terrie Abbott and Orris Janzen



Wittiest-
 Susan Klein and Klay McCrady



Most Likely to Succeed-
 Mary Mae Hardt and Brian Sauer



Most Athletic-
 Steve Kembel and Cindy Sprenger



Most Talented
 Marty Sackmann and Heidi Hille

Senior Dinners



Senior Class Play

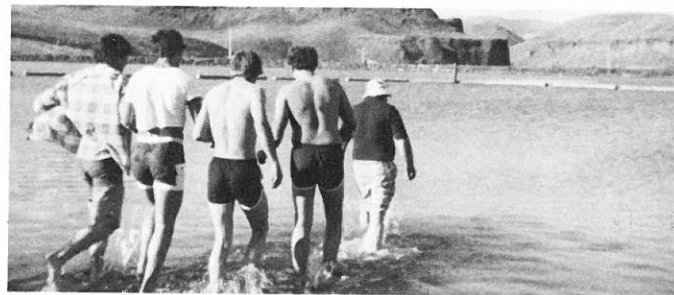
IT HAPPENS EVERY SUMMER

Lucy Woodruff-Darlene McCormick
Gretchen Dana-Bobbi Barnes
Larae Donohue-Mary Kay Meyer
Marge Powell-Stacey Schell
Gert-Mary Mae Hardt
Jennifer Truex-Susan Kison
Flippy Wonder-Cindy Sprenger
Annabelle Ames-Heidi Hille
M. K. Roberts-Susan Klein
Andrea Matlins-Terrie Abbott
Olga Stone-Joy Gibler
Bitsey Stelling-Terrie Grams
Charity Barnes-Holli Grams

Tod Colbert-Marty Sackmann
Pudgy Roulette-Steve Kagele
Zachary Bryan-Ross Reitmeier
Kenyon McClinton-Ron Jariva
Count Marcello Di Giacomo-Klay McCrady
Custis Gaylord Oglethorpe-Steve Kembel
Barnard Sands-Brian Sauer
Rocco-Mike Weber
M. Rene-John Russell
Perc-Carl Harder
Cabdriver-Ron Snowden
Man off the street-Larry Ahern
DIRECTED BY MEL HURST

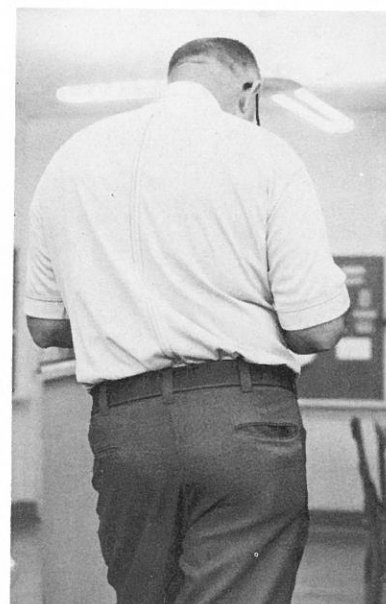


Senior Picnic



Celebration!!!

The Seniors of 1978 celebrate . . .
Mr. Hurst turns away from another graduating class.



As the doors of my high school years begin to close behind me, I am aware of the many doors opening in front of me. My years at Ritzville High School brought incidents of excitement, moments of disappointment, and all the emotions in between.

The past four years have seen a shift in the concerns of the students. Interested persons in drama joined together to produce five shows in two years. The Senior Class revived the tradition of a Senior Class Play. The Red R clubs went coed this year in hopes of rejuvenating the athletic organization. A large portion of our students continue to participate in the athletic programs. Several cultural enrichment programs have held the student body's attention. The choir earned enough money to tour the west coast for five days.

Because of the diversity of our student body, as editor of the KERNEL, I have carried a heavy responsibility as I tried to ensure a quality 1978 yearbook. This year I relied largely on the opinions of the students to produce a book with the type of coverage they wanted. Through their input the book becomes more personal, reflecting the moods and events of 1978. These memories are put permanently in print so that in years to come we may reminisce upon four very important years of our lives.

Even though student cooperation and support helped to put together this book, it could not have been completed without my staff and Mr. Dennis Phillips, our advisor. Being on the annual staff has its frustrations as well as its rewards. Each member learned the meaning of frustration as they found their pages were due and the copy hadn't been written and photos were missing and the editor was breathing down their neck for not being finished. These members who deserve special thanks are Michele Kagele, Lori Heider, Jay Humphrey, Steve Kagele, Stacey Schell, and Terrie Abbott, as well as Mike Weber, Ron Snowden, John Russell, Gordon Goodwater, and Jeff Patterson who also served as photographers. Above all I must thank Michelle Stelzer my assistant and Mr. Phillips; they shared the brunt of my frustrations and gave me the needed support to continue on. It is my hope that the student body will give its continued support next year to Michelle and her staff.

We cannot tell the precise moment when friendship is formed. As in filling a vessel drop by drop, there is at last a drop which makes it run over; so in a series of kindnesses there is at last one which makes the heart run over.

James Boswell

Mary Mae Hardt

Contributions

The annual staff wishes to extend its thanks to the community for its support. Our new policy this year of photo ads within the book in conjunction with the contributions have made the 1978 annual a financial success.

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