

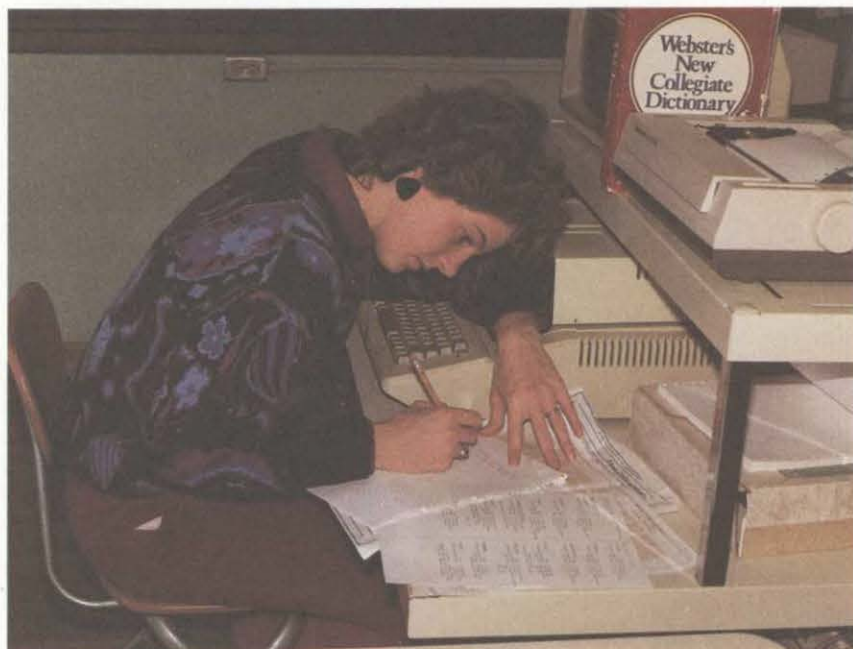
**WITH  
CHARACTER**



Putting the finishing touch on his science fair project is sophomore Jason Masek while Jason Lawrence watches.

One of the jobs of being on the year-book staff is revising copy and putting it on the computer. Senior Mindy Grotelueschen works busily to complete her story.

Down at the park, the Senior Class of '88 boards a firetruck for their class picture.

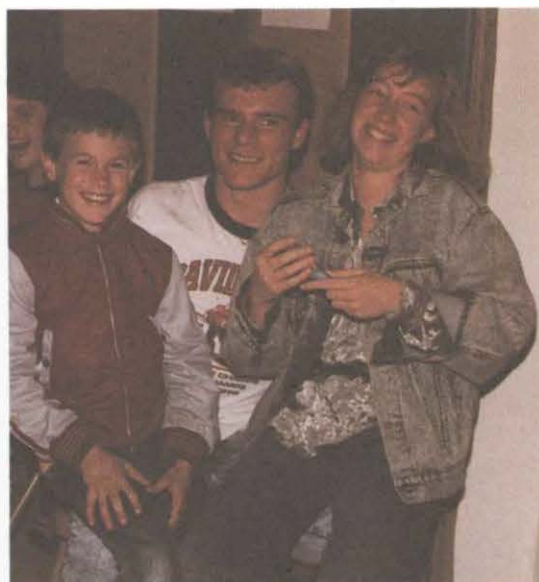




**Enjoying himself at** the Elementary Carnival Fun Night is high school principal, Paul Chaney.



**Goofing around instead** of working in the concession stand at the Elementary Fun Night are Marcus Thoendel, Mike Heins, and Amy From.



**Homecoming queen and king** are Angie Abel and Kurt Schaecher.

**Although team spirit** was one thing the DCHS faculty had plenty of when

they played the Aquinas faculty in volleyball, they were still defeated 2-3. Cheering their team on are Mona Petersen, Tony Weinandt, Bev Struebing, and Kevin Kopecky.







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Charged with Character

Character is shown at a junior varsity football game. Revealing character are (Front): Mindy Grotelueschen, Carrie Thoendel, Nathan Kamrath, Michelle Taylor, Corey Daro (Back): Jamy Sloup, Mike Heins, Amy Lange, Trish Thoendel, Kendra Bishop, and Keri Kamrath.



Wild turkeys were everywhere except where they were supposed to be. Roaming near the elementary school is a favorite spot.

Members of the varsity volleyball team relax before the game. Shown are Bridget Birkel, Denise Kucera, Mindy Grotelueschen, Angie Abel, Tracy Sabata, and Shelly Behrns.



Escorting Superintendent Doug Townsend to an awaiting ambulance on his xxth birthday are Chamber of Commerce members Mike Jones, Bud Comte, and Jack Eberly.

Thirsty after a long day are seniors Keith Kampschnieder and Kurt Schaecher. Also shown are Dean DeWispelare and Brad Howe. The football team are at the Pizza Hut sponsored by the senior parents.





Something unusual always happened at mock trial practices. Being a judge and flipping a coin to decide whether or not to overrule the objection is junior Tracy Sabata.



# Events add charge

In some ways the beginning of the school year seemed the same as every other year. The excitement was there — taking the challenge of different and harder classes, joining a new club, getting to be with old friends again, and meeting new ones. But this year was different.

It was different because everyone around DCHS counted. Many challenges faced each individual. And each of those challenges added character to the individuals that were DCHS.

Something was always happening. From the thrill of winning the homecoming football game to the requirement of passes whenever students left a classroom, things were happening that gave

those at DCHS an extra charge of character.

Events were also happening outside the walls of DCHS. There was a big controversy over whether candidates running for public office should have their past, private lives looked into. The decision as to who should become the next Supreme Court judge also caused a stir. Basic understandings seemed to come from the Summitt meeting between President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

How these events affected, shaped, and influenced the individuals at DCHS made the '87-88 school year like no other year. This year everyone counted and got an extra charge of character.



A little teamwork helps the sophomores in doing their English assignment. They include Kurt Kuhlman, Shawn Robins, Christie Korus, Tracy Scholz, Tracy Cole, Kim Svoboda, and Scott Hoeft.



Working on her project in art is sophomore Nicki Wright.

## Loving each minute

### *How would you describe the people at DCHS?*

*"Everyone knows everyone else and just about everyone gets along. But everyone has their main groups they hang around with. For as small of a school as we have, we have many different types of people." — Tracy Sabata, junior*

*"DCHS students are a group of people with different interests and dreams. However, they all seem to get along and somewhat act like a family." — Joan Hilger, senior*

Showing her talent as a volleyball player, teacher Karen McCluskey passes the ball while Tony Weinandt and Larry Griffiths look on.



The character of the people at DCHS was what school life was all about. This division of the **Scout** pictures individually the 158 students and 27 faculty and administrators at DCHS. A person begins to know these people from the individual pictures, but their character is captured more thoroughly in the candid and activities recorded throughout the **Scout**.

Whether it was in school or after school, students were enjoying life, making memories that they would have for the rest of their lives. Going out with friends and having fun was what the students needed to get away from all the pressure and develop their character further.

Students spent their free time in many different ways. Some had a job after school or on weekends. There was also the usual going to ball games, making an appearance at the Youth Center, cruising around town, going to the movie, attending dances, dating, or just being mischie-

vous.

Senior Terry Richards spent his free time racing in Columbus or working on cars. Others just enjoyed a peaceful evening at home watching their favorite T.V. shows like **Alf**, **Knots Landing**, or **Growing Pains** talking on the phone, or just catching up on their sleep.

A change of pace was just what everyone needed to add an extra dimension to their character.

DCHS experienced such a change when it welcomed foreign exchange student Gabriela "Gabby" Torres. Gabby was sociable and enjoyed many of the same things as those around her. Her experiences at DCHS added to her character, but she also added character to others.

Although times may have seemed impossible, students made it through and made the most of their time, loving each and every minute of it.

**PEOPLE**





A person's true character always shows when with friends. Having fun are sophomores Paula Ehlers, Lynn Kozisek, and Tracy Scholz.

# Road trips, shopping fill seniors' minds with dreams of **Skipping school**

**W**hat would seniors do if they had one day they could skip school and do anything they wanted?

by Mindy  
Grotelueschen

"I would sleep until 10 or 11 and then go hunting," said Keith Kamp-schnieder. This was one of the more popular answers to the question.

"I would go hunting in the morning and go to Columbus to eat at Valentino's. Then I would road trip to Lincoln and spend lots of money at the mall," said Dale Lewis.

Hunting was a popular activity in the cold months, but going out of town was definitely the thing to do when students didn't have to be in school.

"I would go to Columbus with a

friend, go out to eat, and spend all the money I have shopping," said Jim Steager. "I would sleep until 9, get my girlfriend from school, go to Omaha or Lincoln shopping, and eat at a nice restaurant," said Dean De-

Wispelare.

On that one special day off, some people would prefer to take it easy and relax at home in front of the television. "I would stay home and watch my soap operas," said Kari Kuhlman. "I would watch all my soap operas and the reruns of Valerie's Family that I taped. Then I would go lift weights," said Bridget Birkel.

Going to another town was very inviting when there was no obligation to be at school. Going to a nice restaurant to eat or visiting a mall to shop and spend lots of money seemed to be real winners.

Whether it was hunting, shopping, or sleeping late, there was a variety of fun activities that seniors would be doing if they could skip school.



*"I would go do something to make money." — Terry Richards*



Running the clock at a freshman volleyball game is Bridget Birkel.

Picking out graduation announcements are Dennis Janousek, Dale Lewis, and Joey Warren. The seniors picked a white, three-fold announcement with blue printing.



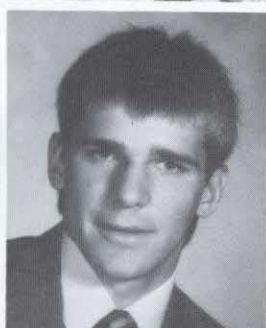




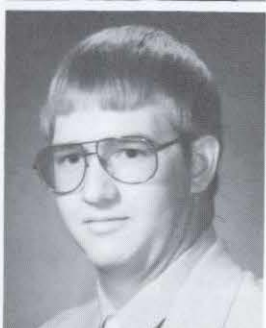
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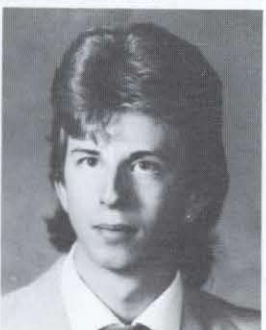
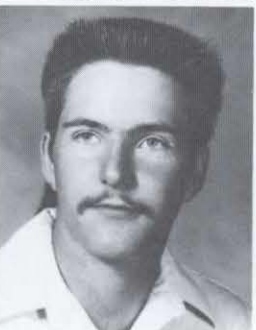
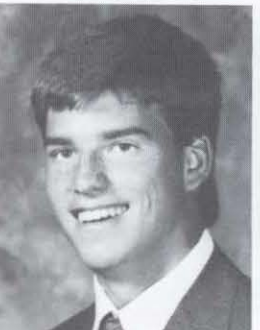
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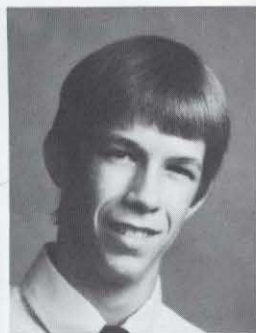
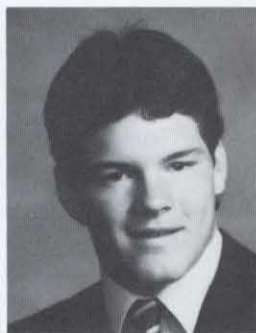
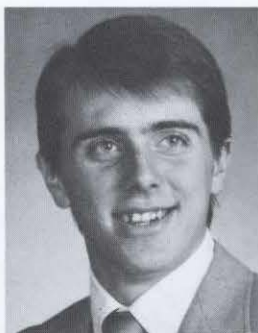
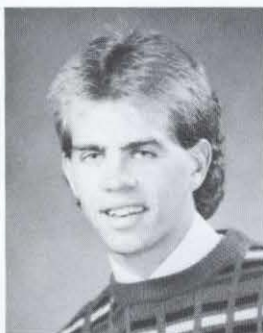


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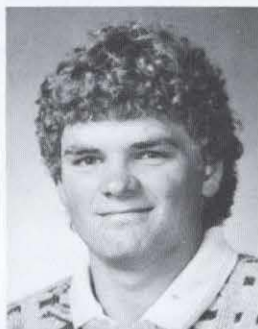
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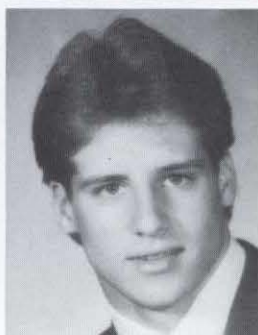
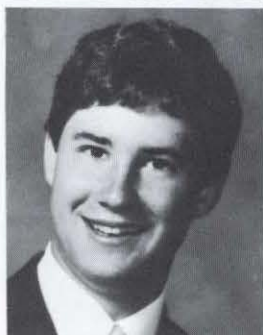
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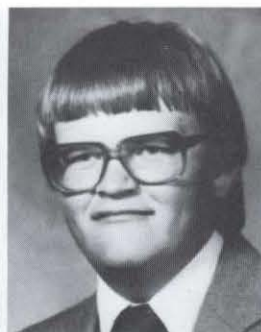
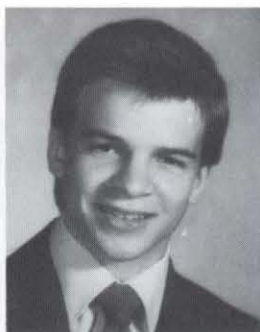
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Gabriela Torres  
Ann Vrbka  
Joey Warren  
Suzi Whitmore

# Seniors adapt to the system and learn to deal with both **The good and bad**

**D** by Mindy Grotelueschen

avid City High School was considered to be an excellent school with many good points.

"The teachers are young and like to have a good time in class, which makes school fun," said Brad Howe.

Many opportunities were available. "I like the variety of classes offered and that we can choose which ones we want to take," said Susie Hain. The office procedures and office machine's classes enjoyed such fringe benefits as candy and a radio occasionally.

However, there were always dislikes about the school system, no

matter how good it was. "I dislike the magazine selection in the library. Who reads **Better Homes and Gardens?**" questioned Darin Kotil. "I don't like the rule about having hall passes and the short lunch break," said Howe.

Gabriela Torres, foreign exchange student from Mexico, liked



*"DCHS is unique. We're like a tight-knit group that gets along."* — Angie Abel

DCHS. "There is a lot of cooperation in the school and there are a lot of activities to be involved in. It's a lot of fun with all the people, but there isn't as much freedom here as in my old school," Gabby said.

"I hate the ugly curtains that are hung in the study hall," said Denise Kucera. One unique and interesting dislike was expressed. "I don't like the new addition's toilets because the handles are on the wrong side," said Nikki Nickolite:

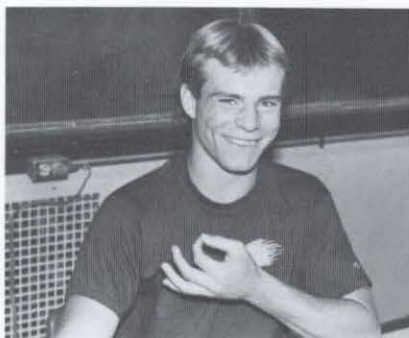
But on the positive side, athletics have often been praised at DCHS. The seniors felt that athletics make school fun and help pass the time. The new addition, new lockers, and the big locker rooms were complimented.

Along with the bad feelings about hall passes, magazines, and toilets, the good things such as teachers, athletics, and the overall school system seemed to prevail.

Lending money to Joan Hilger for a payment on her cap and gown is generous principal, Paul Chaney. Mindy Grotelueschen and Nikki Nickolite look on hopefully.

You looked! Mike Heins fools the photographer. According to this game, if anybody looks, they get a "dork slap."

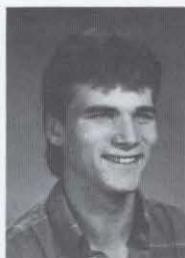
Working on the computer in the library are Kevin Navrkal and Billy Remmers. Using the computer was a popular thing to do while in study hall.



Junior class officers are Kendra Bishop, vice president; Trish Thoendel, secretary; Ms. Candace Nelms, sponsor; Mark Wynegar, president; and John Deacy, treasurer.



Shelly Behrns  
Kendra Bishop  
Norman Brabec  
Pam Brown  
Chris Butler



Kurt Cockson  
John Deacy  
Connie Didier  
Curt Duer  
Mark Egger



Bob Ferris  
Amy From  
Mike Heins  
Keri Kamrath  
Rachel Klingemann





# Juniors give opinions on music idols and name their **Rudest rock dude**

**B**

by Angie Pracek

illy Idol, John Cougar, or Alice Cooper perhaps? The world of rock was full of stars. Which one was the rudest dude of rock and why? The juniors' opinions varied.

"Billy Idol," said Linda Sloup, "because he's different and really doesn't care what people think of his ideas. I love his songs. Every time I hear his songs, they make me feel like being rebellious and WILD!"

Most of the junior guys thought Alice Cooper was the rudest dude.

They liked the gross songs he sang with the gory blood.

"I like INXS," said Amy Lange. "I



*"Van Halen is the greatest guitar player." — Pam Brown*

like their videos, style of music, and the lyrics. It's different and something I can get into."

"John Cougar is down-to-earth, home-townish, and over all gorgeous," said Connie Didier. "He has a nice body. Too bad he's hitched!"

"Bon Jovi has had more than one number one song," said Tammy Wirka. "People go crazy over him and his songs. He's good looking and his songs have a good beat. That makes it easy to dance to."

Everything from John Cougar to Alice Cooper. The juniors' opinions on the rudest dude in rock were as different as the stars themselves.

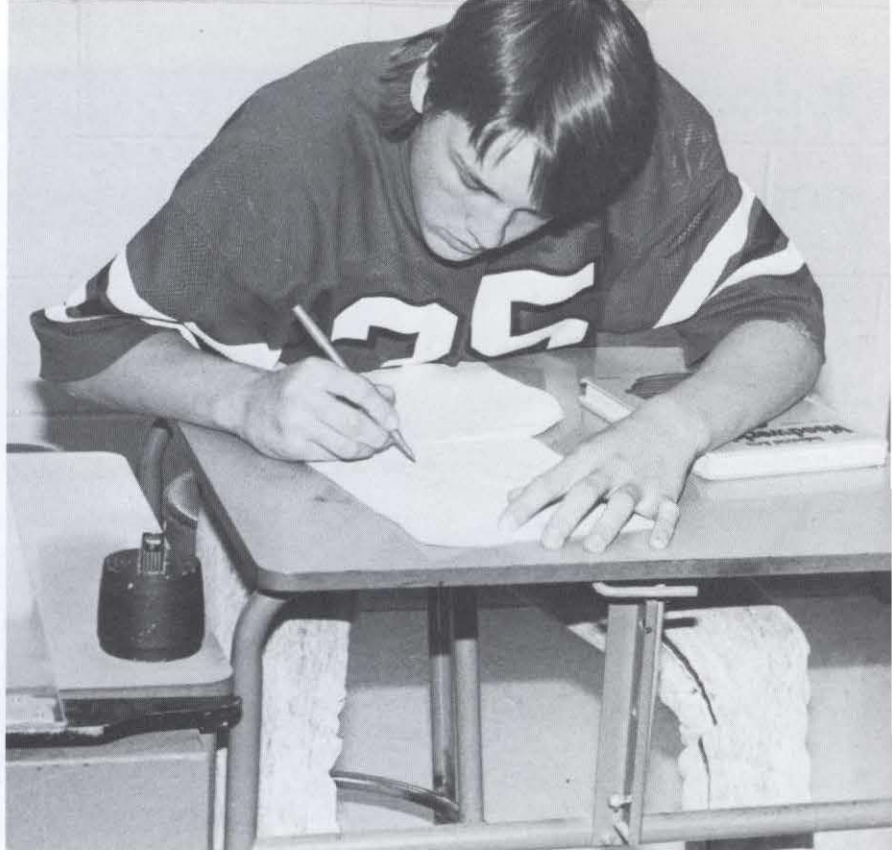


Goofing off while roaming the halls is Amy Lange.

Surprised by the photographer while going through her locker is Kendra Bishop.

Working hard on an assignment in the industrial arts room is Billy Remmers.

Getting into the Christmas spirit is Connie Didier. Connie decorates a bulletin board for Mrs. Griffiths during her student aide period.



## From old bathrooms to new lockers, class discusses what **Makes DCHS tick**

by Angie Pracek

**J**ust what made DCHS tick? Commenting on everything from the facilities to school rules, the juniors expressed their thoughts about the good and bad points that were DCHS.

"I like the friendly, outgoing teachers and the new lockers," said Keri Kamrath.

Most of the students liked the new gym and activities center. On the other hand, most of them didn't like the old bathrooms with the bi-centennial curtains.

"We have no dress code and have a free lunch hour to go uptown. You are able to talk to the teachers about anything and there is a good athletic program," said Mike Heins.

But along with the good things were the bad. "I dislike the use of the pink passes to go everywhere. We could use a better heating system and better bathrooms," said Tracy

Sabara.

Some said that the science lab was outdated, old, and dirty. Having to do a science fair more than once was another dislike for some juniors.

"I dislike the short lunch hour and the old-fashioned Scout mascot," said Rachel Klingemann.

Kendra Bishop said that she would like school better if she didn't have semester tests and had spring break back. But as long as semester tests were required, some said that they did like the two-hour block allowed for the tests.

These were some of the things that made DCHS tick. There were good and bad things and important and not-so-important things, but they all were a part of what was DCHS and what became memories for those at DCHS.

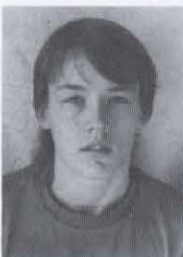


*"I dislike the short lunch hour, old toilets, semester tests, and the use of passes all the time." — Linda Sloup*





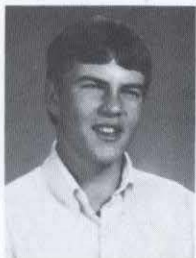
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Jackie Romshek



Tracy Sabata  
Linda Sloup  
Trish Thoendel  
Mike Tietz  
Mark White



Tammy Wirka  
Mark Wynegar



During study hall, Kurt Cockson waits for the bell to ring while Pat Misek looks over his notes.

By reading magazines in the library, Curt Duer and Shane O'Dell pass the time away before their next class.

Kris Beringer  
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Stacy Brandenburg

Tracy Cole  
Brian Coufal  
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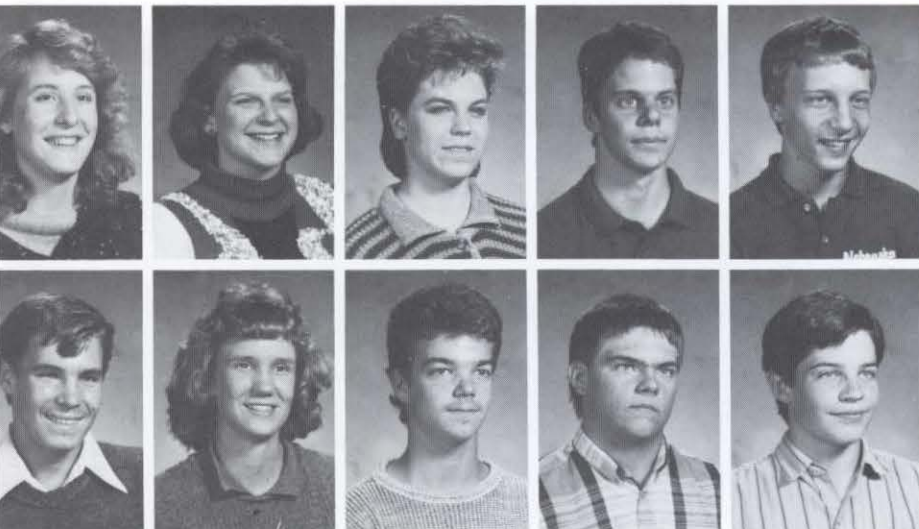


Coming from her locker, getting ready to go to her next class is Tammy Starlin.

Everybody talks . . . but does anyone listen? Nicki Wright, Michelle Taylor, Deanne DeWispelare, and Heidi Kamrath talk in the Youth Center on a Saturday night.







Jessica Davis  
Deanne DeWispelare  
Paula Ehlers  
Bill Elton  
Jeff Gray

Junior Gulzow  
Carie Hain  
Shawn Hilger  
Scott Hoeft  
Chris Hutchinson

## Sophs forget homework blues by spending weekends with **Peers or family**

**P**arties, road tripping, being with friends, and going to a concert were just some of the things to do on weekends. What have been some of the sophomores most fun and exciting weekends?

Some sophs chose to spend the weekend with friends, others family, some both.

For Tracy Scholz, Lynn Kozisek, Paula Ehlers, and Michelle Taylor a fun weekend was "when we went to the Bellwood Street Dance and we slept on Tracy's driveway! On Sunday morning everyone stared at us

as they drove to church!"

"When Jim Egr, Steve Egr, Bruce Manley, and I went to the Dokken-



*"I start planning my weekend on Monday." — Leslie Niemann*

Aerosmith concert. Now, that was WILD!! We got to stand right up by the stage!" said Brian Coufal.

Sherry Zeilinger enjoyed a weekend with her family. "I was in Iowa with my sister, brother-in-law, and nephew. We went to a picnic for all the employees where my sister works. Then we went out to eat that night! There were some cute guys at that picnic!" said Zeilinger.

For Christi Birkel a fun weekend was spending it with her saddle club. "I spent the weekend at Camp Moses Merrill riding all over the place and sleeping outside. We'd race our horses up and down the hills, and we took a nice ride too!" said Birkel.

Whether a great weekend was spent with family or peers, the sophs were always having fun!



**Sophomore class officers** are Chris Hutchinson, treasurer; Lynn Kozisek, secretary; Mrs. Lou Grotelueschen, sponsor; Allan Pohl, vice president; and Scott Dallegge, president.

# Turning sixteen is a memorable time, but is it Sweet or sour?

by Deanne DeWispelare

Cruisin' down the highway, just you and your friends, going to other towns to find a little excitement, all legally! Is this one of the advantages to being 16?

"Yes, because you can have a driver's license and if you're lucky, you can get the car," said Eugene Morkert.

"I like knowing I can go places without my parents!" said Sheila Jakub. "I get to come to David City on Saturday nights and I can go to Columbus," said Lisa Ostermeier.

To Candi Daro turning 16 meant "being able to drive LEGALLY, and having more privileges and responsibilities."

What about the younger sophomores? Were they looking forward to sweet 16?

"Yes, because then I'll get to do more things like going out of town and all those other crazy things," said Carrie Hain.



*"So I can drive without my parents sitting next to me having a heart attack."* — Chad Townsend

"I will be able to go places by myself and drive my friends around," said Leslie Niemann.

Andre' Mick thought an advantage to turning 16 would be "getting to stay out later and being able to date."

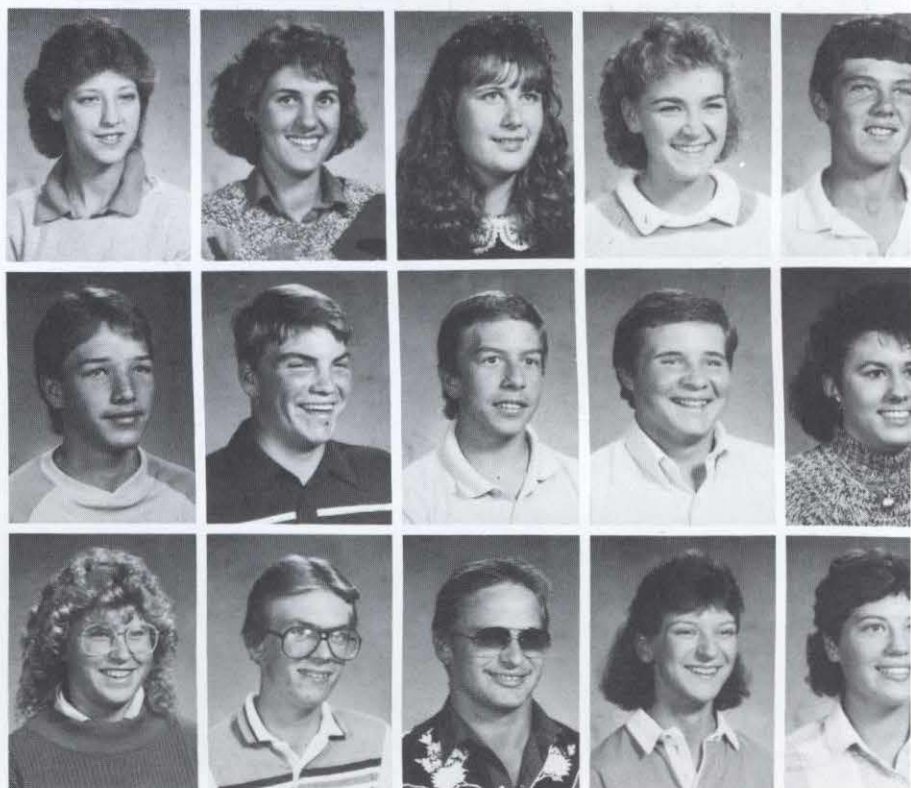
But back to reality, the 16-year-olds mentioned a few disadvantages. "I don't have a nice car. The driver's door doesn't open and the passenger door opens from the outside!" said Jason Masek. "Needing gas money and going places for my parents" were disadvantages for Daro while running errands for her mom was Ostermeier's complaint.

So sweet 16 was both sweet and sour. Sweet meant being able to drive and date. Sour was no gas money, no car, and running errands all the time.

Sheila Jakub  
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Christie Korus  
Lynn Kozisek  
Kurt Kuhlman

Scott Lauterbach  
Joel Lavicky  
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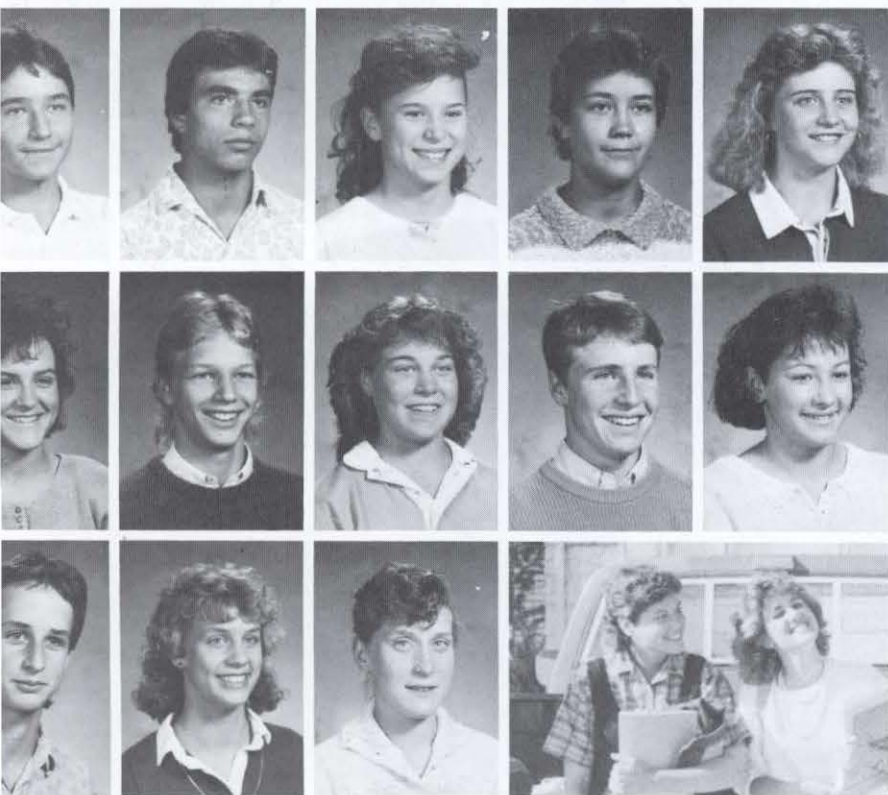
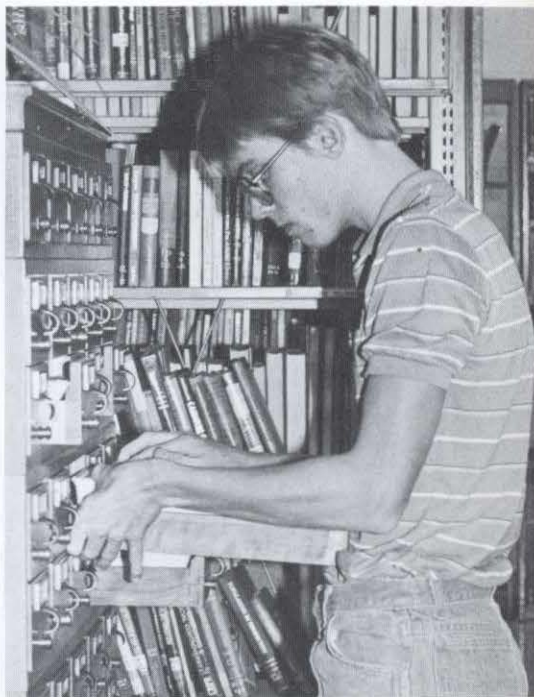






Goofing around during a football game are sophomores Carrie Thoendel and Tracy Scholz.

Looking through the card catalog in the library during seventh period study hall is Eugene Morkert.



Allan Pohl  
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Tracy Scholz  
Tammy Starlin  
Kim Svoboda

Michelle Taylor  
Randy Theewen  
Carrie Thoendel  
Chad Townsend  
Nicki Wright

Jess Zegers  
Sherry Zeilinger  
Donna Zima

Waiting for the bus before a volleyball game in Osceola are Lisa Ostermeier and Heidi Kamrath.



# Students try to find other ways to begin their day than Riding the bus

# R

by Jim Sreager

iding the bus wasn't a real popular way to get to school, but for some, it was the only way. "It's a long boring ride with nothing to do," said Jake Hopkins.

Everyone agreed that "no" they did not like riding the bus. "Instead of ten boring miles, it seems like fifty boring miles," said Craig Yonda. "I have to get up at six, eat breakfast, and have a 45-minute ride on a cold, bumpy bus," said Jason Hodyc.

To pass the time on the bus students did some last minute homework, talked to each other, or caught a few extra winks.

Most students agreed that they would be sleeping later if they didn't

ride the bus. To ride the bus students had to go to bed early and get up early.

To avoid the bus ride, some freshmen chose alternate means of getting to school. "My mom has to go to work at eight anyway so I just

ride with her, or sometimes I just drive," said Brian Muntz.

"My older sister takes me to school to save money. Why ride the bus when my older sister drives to school every day," said Brian Pracek.

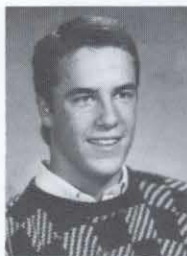
David City High School has had a bus service for forty years. The service was started in 1947. The total cost of the bus service for the 1986-87 school year was \$73,000. This cost included salaries, insurance, gas and oil, parts, and maintenance. The school has plans to purchase a new bus every two years. Each day, the buses covered five routes which added up to about 400 miles.

Although the bus wasn't the most popular means of getting to school, it was a necessity for many students.

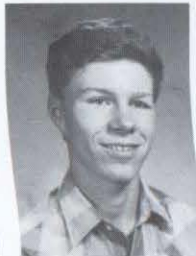


*"I'd rather ride with my sister." — Jim Sabata*

Jeff Arnold  
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Carl Clymer  
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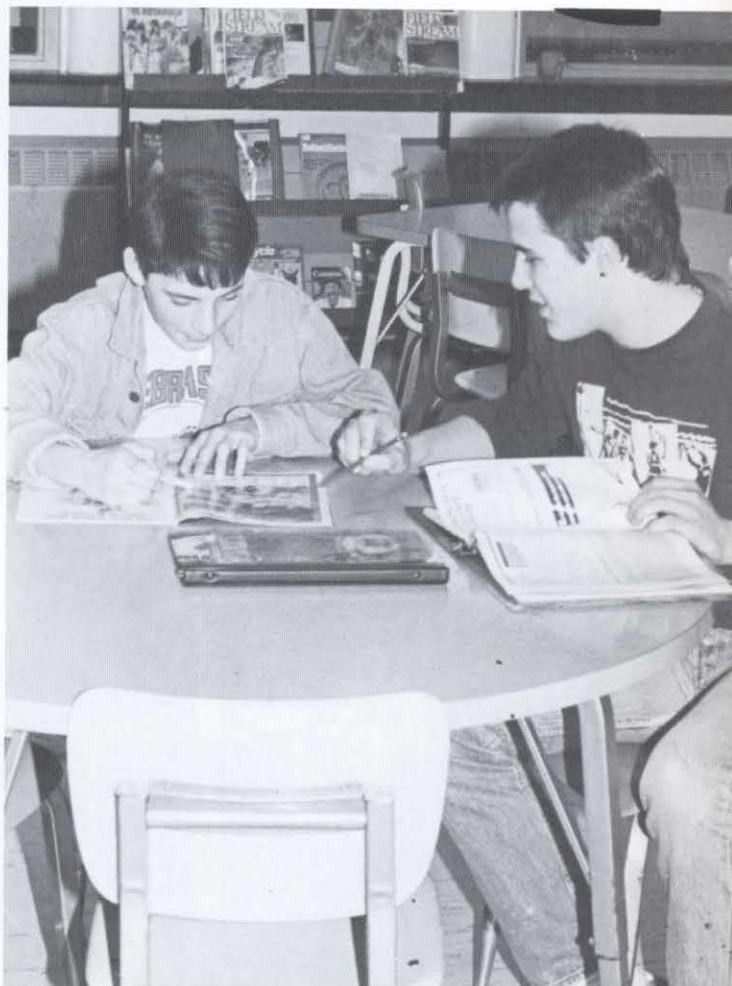






Before classes begin, Cindy Roubal, Carol Clymer, and Jennifer Kabourek meet in the hall to talk.

Reading magazines in the library are Daniel Carroll and Jeff Arnold.



Enjoying their spare time are freshmen Duane Shockley, Jason Lange, Shellie Egr, and sophomore Brian Coufal.

Freshman class officers are Mr. Wayne Arnold, sponsor; Greg Lanc, treasurer; Jason Lange, vice president; Lori High, secretary, and Jeff Arnold, president.

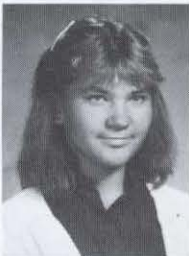
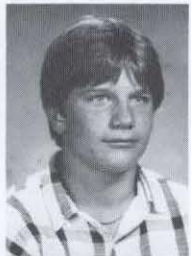
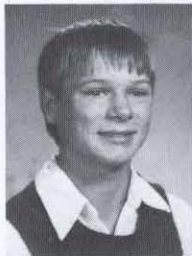


Before the bell rings, Jason Lange, Mike Brown, Tim Rathjen, and Brian Muntz discuss last night's happenings.

Finishing his homework before class is Carl Clymer.



Jake Hopkin  
Eddie Jarret  
Jennifer Kabouret



Greg Lanc  
Jason Lange  
Melinda Morkert



Listening to an engineer speak about his profession are Brian Pracek, Jake Hopkins, and Daniel Carroll.



# Closer bonds develop among frosh as a result of Not enough girls

**T**en girls and 25 guys. That was the freshman class. What was it like for the girls to be so outnumbered?

"It's great because you can become close with the girls and be even better friends with the guys. You're not in as much competition as you are for things in a bigger class," said Lori High.

Carol Clymer also felt that everyone became real good friends and "you learn to be nice to everyone even though you may not like them because you have to be with them for four years."

Being a girl in a mostly male class held some challenges, however. "You can't talk to any of the guys

openly, like you can a girl. You always have to have your guard up for an insult or tease," said Shellie Egr.

Socially, "it isn't that easy," said Jennifer Kabourek. "We all have 'best friends' and don't really do much with each other, but we still talk

to each other and are still friends."

Most of the freshman girls felt there was less competition. "When you go out for sports, you get to play more and get to know your teammates well," said Jenny Sweney.

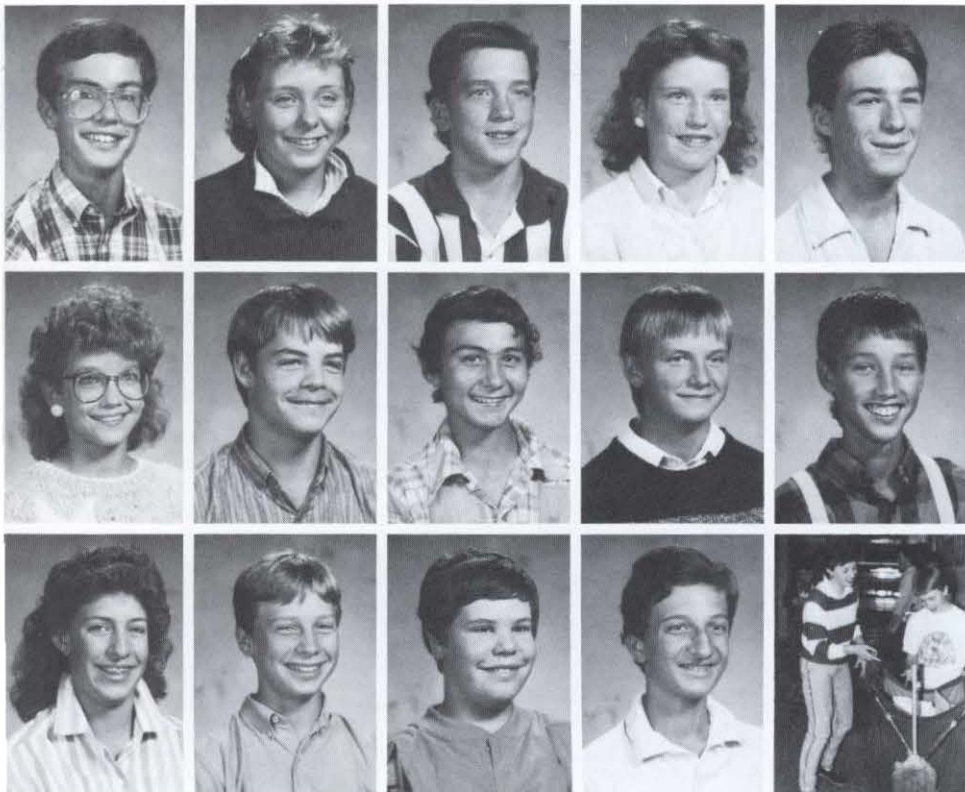
Jennifer Kabourek also liked getting a chance to play more, but felt that "you don't know if you are actually good at something or if you were chosen just because there was no one else."

Although the girls got to play a lot in sports, that wasn't always the case in P.E. "In P.E. there are only three girls and the boys have to pick us for a team," said Melinda Morkert.

Overall, "there's a lot of fun you can have with just a few girls," said Diane Pracek.



*"They are all good friends and are fun." — Michelle Nickolite*



Brian Muntz  
Michelle Nickolite  
Brian Pracek  
Diane Pracek  
Tim Rathjen

Cindy Roubal  
Jim Sabara  
Duane Shockley  
John Steager  
Robbie Svoboda

Jenny Sweney  
Ryan Townsend  
Travis Wilson  
Craig Yonda

Pleading with Ryan Townsend to retrieve her paper from the trash is Lori High.



# Games, shopping, physical activity provide ways of Escaping stress

**T** by Amy Lange

he teacher has assigned a 10-page report to 40 students due on Friday. The teacher will not only have to read all of these reports, but must prepare lectures for Monday's classes. Whoa! That can do a teacher in! There goes any weekend plans! No shopping, no T.V., no going out to dinner! But teachers need these things to relieve stress.

How do teachers relieve stress? "I enjoy playing cards with other couples," said Pat Sunday. "I go to sports events, go shopping, and just rest," said Lou Grotelueschen. Fishing, reading, and listening to classical music helped Dorothy Byers escape from work-related pressures.

Doing activities with other teach-

ers also helped relieve stress. Playing games such as Pictionary or Trivial



*"It sometimes helps to be a little ornery. It also helps to just sit and get your mind off things."*  
— Gaylen Kamrath

Pursuit got teachers' minds off their pressures. Eating out was another fun way of escaping.

Many teachers could be found shopping or going to movies. Others enjoyed spending time with their family. Cuddling up with a good book was a relaxing way to spend time. Kristi Griffiths enjoyed playing tennis and volleyball. "I get out of the house and out of the classroom for awhile," she said.

Sometimes unexpected events were great stress relievers. Snow days, for example, were helpful. They could be used as extra time to catch up on work.

Teachers needed and found ways of overcoming stress. In the process they had a lot of fun, too.

Doug Townsend — Superintendent  
Paul Chaney — Principal  
Sharon Amsberry — Vocal music  
Jim Angell — Voc Ag 7, 8, I, II, IV, computers, basic programming  
Wayne Arnold — Guidance counselor

Dorothy Byers — Media specialist  
Dale Cooper — Math 7, 8, II, consumer math, Alg I, Pre-Alg  
Steve Cruickshank — American government & history, modern problems, economics, sociology  
Judy Davis — Home Ec 7, 8, I, II, independent & adult living  
Lora Dion — English II, III, IV, speech

Kristi Griffiths — General business, bookkeeping, business law, typing, journalism  
Larry Griffiths — English 8, I, III, IV, journalism  
Lou Grotelueschen — World Studies 7, History 8, English 7, 8  
Gaylen Kamrath — Ind Arts 8, I, II, IV, mechanical drawing  
Kevin Kopecky — Art 7, 8, I, II, III, elementary art

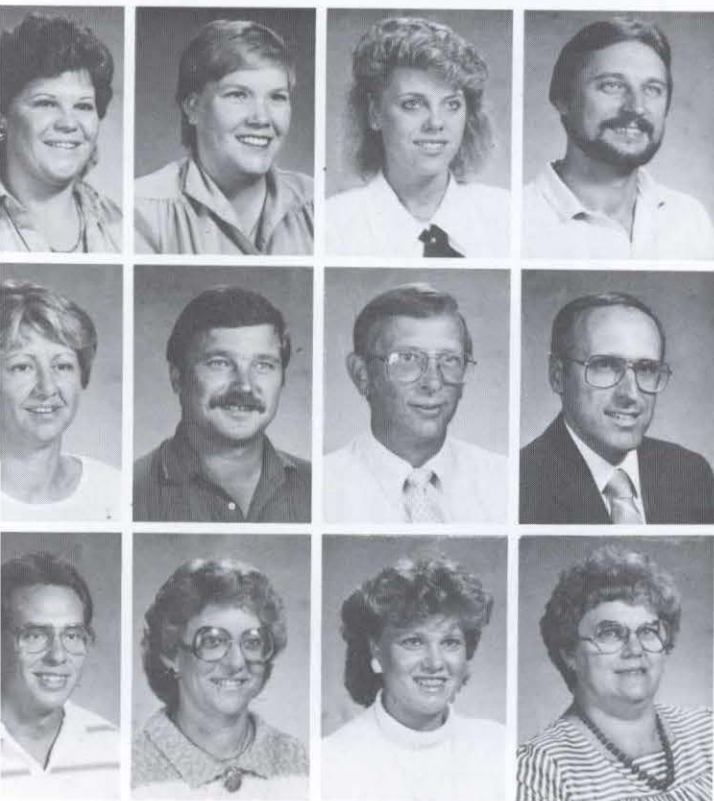






By missing the ball in a faculty volleyball game against Aquinas, Mrs. Griffiths and Mr. Palensky cause stress to their teammates.

Playfully shooting the cause of his stress, Bridger Birkel, is Mr. Kopecky.



Karen McCluskey — Earth Science 7, Life Science 8, Spanish I, II

Candace Nelms — Special education

Lori Niemack-Stejskal — World history, geography

Bob Palensky — Instrumental music

Mona Petersen — Practical recordkeeping, typing, shorthand, office procedures, office machines, Typing 7

Randy Rech — Adult education, elementary physical education

Marles Robins — Geometry, chemistry, trig, Alg II, physics

Don Sackett — Activities director, biology, physiology, physical science, gifted program

Tony Weinandt — Physical education, health, weightlifting, lifetime sports

Pat Sunday — Resource aide

Sue Armagost — Secretary

Gayle Henry — Bookkeeper, secretary

## Race to the Top

Being named top driver of Thunder Cars was the accomplishment of senior Terry Richards' dream. He was the youngest to have received first place in this division. He was also awarded best appearing car.

"I remember the joy, anger, and agony of defeat, but all of the lost blood, skin, and hair was worth this honor," Richards said.

### Who's your heartthrob? Why?



"Farrah Fawcett. I've liked her ever since she was on Charlie's Angels." — Shane O'Dell

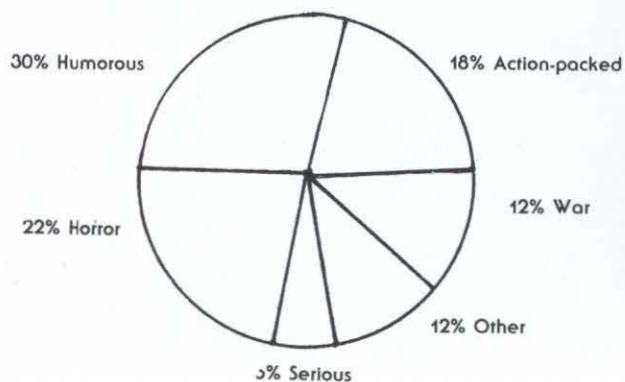


"Richard Dean Anderson (MacGyver). He's a stud! He's my kind of man; I like guys in action!" — Angie Ptacek

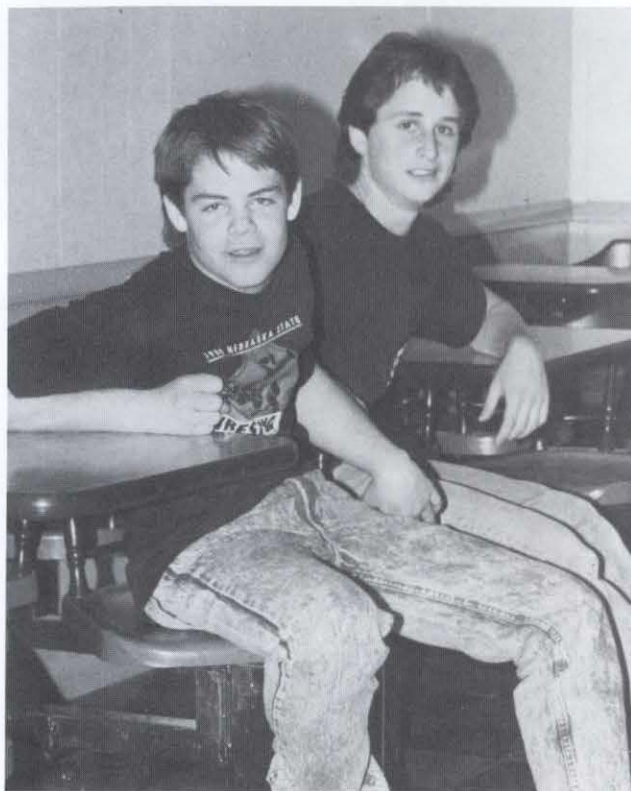


"Arnold Schwarzenegger. He has such a massive body! Tom Cruise. He's just simply gorgeous!" — Mindy Grotelueschen

### What is your favorite type of movie?



Relaxing after a game of pool at the Youth Center are Jim Sabara and Jess Zegers. Waiting for friends or a ride home, playing games, or just goofing off were ways students spent their time at the Youth Center.



## Exchange change



Learning to adapt to the American school system has been a great learning experience for foreign exchange student Gabriela Torres. Gabby, originally from Monterrey, Mexico, joined DCHS as a senior.

Since her stay, Gabby has noticed a lot of differences between Mexican and American schools. In the academic level, Mexican schools are harder but they teach the same things in different levels. She noticed American schools have more opportunities for scholarships and to get information for colleges.

"In America, you can decide which classes you really want to take. We don't have classes such as home ec, shop, or band in Mexico because the schools concentrate mainly on your academic level," Gabby said. There are no sports in Mexico's high schools either.

Overall, Gabby likes school better in America.





The fads found in school include preppy style glasses, his/her detachable necklaces, Pepe clothing and key chains, Spuds MacKenzie items, watches of all colors and sizes, buttons on jean jackets, Coca-Cola rugby style shirts, Converse All-Star high tops, and stone washed denim jeans and jackets.

## HEADLINES

- 1. Wishbones:** Many students began their weekends early by going to Wishbones in Columbus on Thursday nights.
- 2. Haircuts:** During football season, the senior guys scared off their opponents with their "rough" haircuts — their football number on the side of their head, lightning bolts, and arrows.
- 3. MTV:** Hard rock, ballads, new wave, or teenyboppin' tunes; whatever a person's favorite kind of music, its video could be found on MTV.
- 4. Wrecks:** Students experienced finding their vehicles mysteriously wrecked — the school bus got in Jeff Riha's way, Pam Brown's parked car hit a school bus, a ditch took the life of Curt Duer's car.
- 5. Spring fever:** When the temp hit a high 60 degrees, students dug out their shorts and shades to catch a little spring fever.

## Fun in the Sun

School's out! It's time for sleeping in, catching up on naps, and laying out.

"I sleep and watch Knotts Landing so I can ogle Paige. I also play frisbee at the river (and almost drown)," said John Deacy concerning how he spends his summer.

"I lay out in a plastic baby swimming pool in my backyard and blast the radio," said André Mick.

While some students are moping around, others work jobs. Deanne DeWispelare said, "I work at Western Inn and babysit so I can be with my friends."

## FIRST DATE

Innocent-looking grin that says "I'm a good guy"

A freshly picked flower for his date

His father's suit coat and tie will cover up his T-shirt

Old jeans fit better than his dad's dress slacks

Two week's worth allowance to pay for the date

His best high-tops are more comfortable than dress shoes



(Portraying the innocent first date image is freshman Mike Brown.)

# Strive to be best

**T**he academics at DCHS was what brought out the most in a person's character.

Academics showed what areas students excelled in and areas that could make everyday a challenge. The classes prepared students to meet the future. New programs, as well as old, sought to strengthen student achievement.

One new academic program involved the faculty. The program, TESA, dealt with teacher expectations and student achievement. The purpose was to help teachers interact as much with low achieving students as they do with high achievers. This approach would result in low achievers doing better in their work.

Another new program was the Career Awareness Program for freshmen. Once a month speakers would discuss their professions. Some careers covered included accounting, commercial art, physical therapy, and agribusiness.

To strive for the best required character that could be admired. Competition played a major role in the student's life.

In December, the annual science fair was held. Awards went to Mark Wynegar for first place and Candi Lostron for second. Time, imagination, organization, and originality went into their projects to make them the best.

Handling the pressure required character. Students became flustered when it came time to take ACT tests or any tests for that matter. Seniors were really under pressure since this was their last year to bring their grades up to help out for college. Handling the pressure took character and developed character.

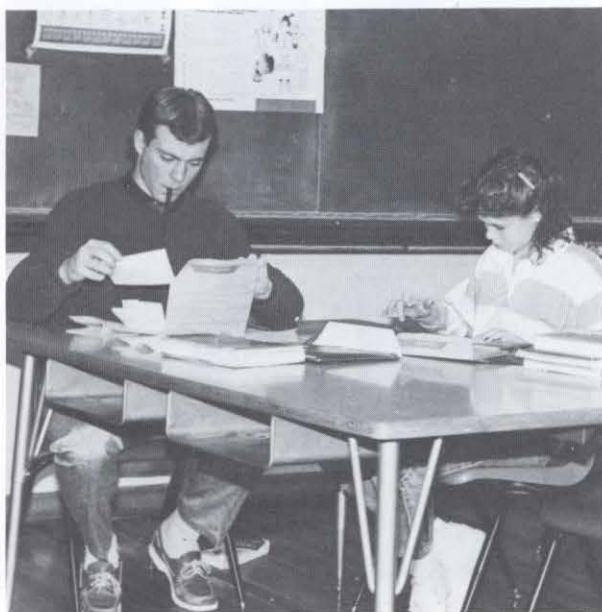
At the end there seemed to be a sense of accomplishment which brought out the best in everyone. What these students learned, they would have for the rest of their lives. It had become a part of their character.

## What has been your most challenging class and why?

*"Computers, because I really didn't know a lot about them and things that I'm interested in give me more challenges. They give me more because I try to challenge myself." — Jessica Davis, sophomore*

*"Business law, because there are so many different words and terms to know. Also, you have to memorize rules of law and all of the exceptions to each rule." — Keith Kampschnieder, senior*

Acting as accountants for Maxwell Jewelry, juniors Mike Heins and Trish Thoendel work on their practice sets in accounting.



# ACADEMICS





A little character is what it took to be one of four girls in Industrial Arts I class. Senior Amy Lukert drills a hole in the cabinet she is making.

# Games give edge

## Learning Spanish proves to be fun

"I enjoy Spanish when we are given commands. We do some pretty crazy stuff, like standing on tables and sitting in the hall," said sophomore Jessica Davis.

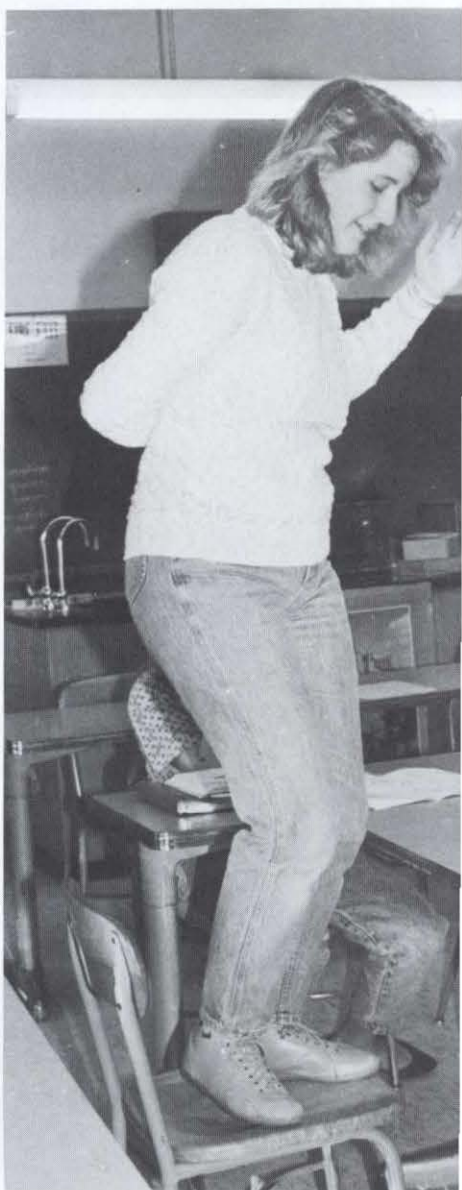
Spanish students also enjoyed playing games such as Simon Says (in Spanish), making pinatas, writing to foreign pen pals, and being able to speak a different language. "I like games like concentration and bingo because they are a fun way to learn your vocab," said junior Connie Didier.

But just like any other class, there were tests and quizzes. Spanish class was also difficult in a different way. "Spanish is confusing at first

because words sound the same," said sophomore Christi Birkel. "It's hard to learn to translate English sentences to Spanish because you have to switch words around," said Davis.

Whether it was fun or difficult, students thought Spanish class was helpful. "In many major colleges you need two years of foreign language. I also plan to visit Mexico or Spain and maybe even have a career where I would need Spanish," said freshman Carol Clymer.

There were good times and difficult times but Spanish was an important and useful class for students.

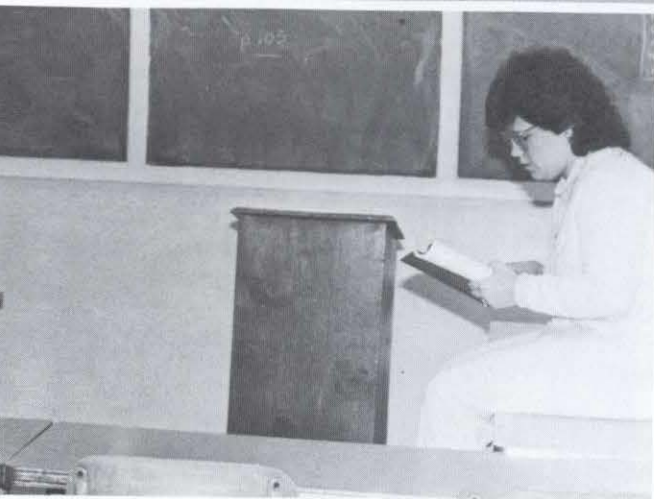


Enjoying the use of the library's magazines and newspapers are junior Mark Egger and sophomore Kris Beringer.

Busy working on their English II assignment are sophomores Desiree Keller and Lisa Ostermeier.

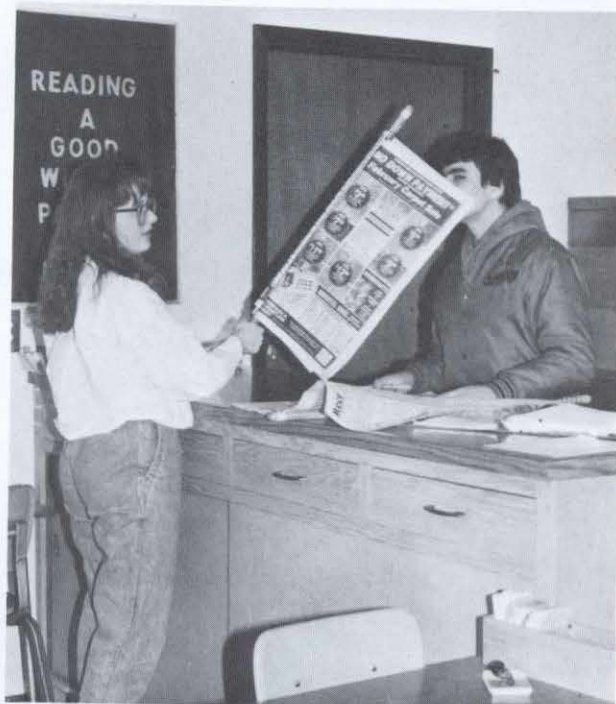
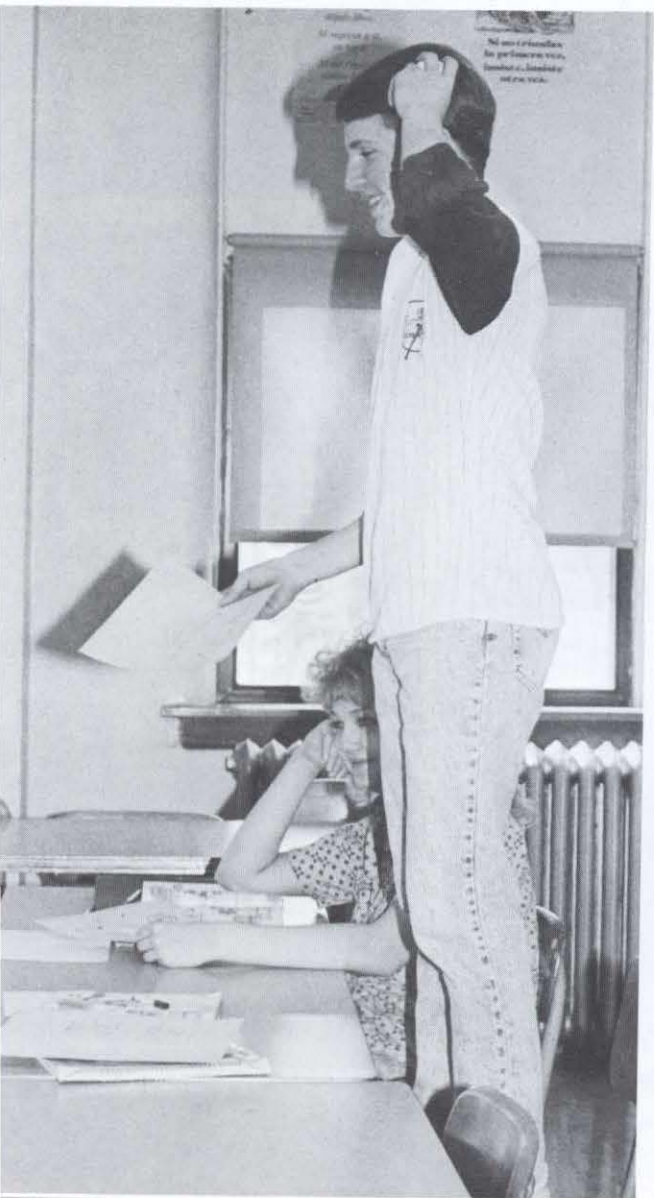






Discussing a Spanish II assignment are sophomore Michelle Taylor, junior Candi Lostroh, and teacher Miss Karen McCluskey.

Experiencing the conclusions of a study that said for the amount of attention received by girls in the classroom from their teachers, they might as well be out in the hall are freshmen Melinda Morkert, Diane Pracek, and Lori High. They were students in Mr. Larry Griffiths' English I class.



Picking up the newspaper is sophomore Christie Korus as she accidentally (?) hits sophomore Shawn Robins.

Spanish I students enjoy playing games such as Concentration and Bingo. Sophomores Jessica Davis and Chad Townsend stand on their chairs during an exciting game of "Commands" as junior Connie Didier looks on.

# Science freaks

## Students identify DCHS Einsteins

A science freak?!? "A science freak is probably the kind of person who yells 'can I take this home' when he or she is dissecting eyeballs," said sophomore Deanne DeWispelare. Exactly what was a science freak?

A science freak was the one who ran home after school to make sure that the VCR had taped 3-2-1-Contact and Nova. At the school science fair his board arrived in the back of the pickup and took seven people to carry it in. The average science student was able to fit five boards in the backseat of a volkswagen.

While making bombs in his second period chemistry class, he blew up the lab and caused the school to close until the smoke cleared.

The science freak couldn't wait for his birthday because he was going to get a brand new set of sci-

ence encyclopedias.

On his calendar he marked down the day on which he had to renew his subscription to Science World magazine.

The science freak took chemistry, Biology II, physics, and advanced physiology, all in the same year.

Everytime the Biology II class dissected, he brought his plastic bag so he could take home his "treasures" — cow eyeballs, sheep's heart, a fetal pig, and frog's intestines.

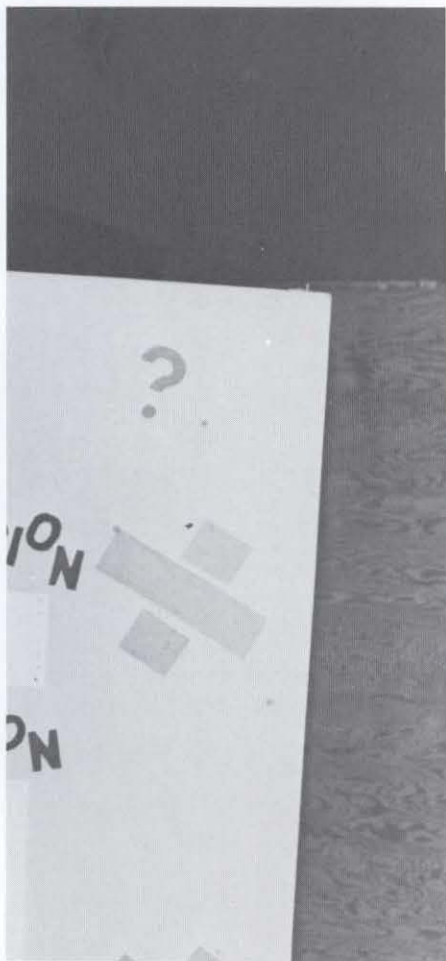
In lab experiments he was the natural Einstein. He could predict the outcome before the experiment even started. He knew his blood type before the results of the blood labs were known.

Although many of these incidents didn't happen or are somewhat exaggerated, many students found science interesting and fun.



Science fair winners are Candi Lostroh, runner-up; Mark Wynegar, champion and best originality; Leslie Niemann, best display; and Linda Clymer, best research value.

Discussing the results of her science fair project, "Math Mania", with the science fair judge, Mr. Bob Wilson, is junior Candi Lostroh.







Explaining equations to his Algebra I class is math instructor Mr. Dale Cooper. Pictured are sophomores Eugene Morkert, Bryan Niemann, Heath Birkel, and Scott Hoeft.

In physics class, juniors Mark Wynegar, Shelly Behrns, and Norman Brabec try out an experiment.



While dissecting eyeballs in physiology class, Mr. Don Sackett, instructor, assists sophomores Kurt Kuhlman, Deanne DeWispelare, Christie Korus, and Jason Lawrence.

# Don't put it off

## Waiting too long brings big problems

**P**rocrastination. A word seldom used but an act commonly carried out. Two areas in which students procrastinated were in the art and history classes. Why did students procrastinate? Several reasons (or excuses) were mentioned.

"I figured that I would have time later and that it didn't have to be done, so why worry about it," said sophomore Missy Davis. Others put things off because they had other things to do or because it didn't interest them.

Others were very honest. "I'm just too lazy to do them," was freshman Jason Lange's excuse.

By procrastinating too long many students felt the effects. "I had to work faster and in more of a panic than I would have had to if I would have started earlier," said sophomore Candi Daro about

her world history term paper. Other students felt the rush but still came out on top. "I felt tired because I had to stay up late to finish writing and typing my report, but I got an 'A' on it anyway," said sophomore Chad Townsend.

There were also projects in art that some students didn't enjoy and procrastinated on too long. "I hate doing watercolors. If I wouldn't have put it off so long and put a little more effort into the project, it could have been better," said senior Dale Lewis.

After suffering the consequences of procrastination, did the students learn anything? "Yes. Your project suffers if you put it off. The project can be a lot better if you start earlier and work gradually on it," said Daro.



During American History juniors Shane O'Dell, John Deacy, and Curt Duer catch up on gossip while Mark Egger watches Connie Didier study.

During Mrs. Niemack-Stejskal's world history class, sophomore Joel Lavicky gives his undivided attention while taking notes. In the background are Michelle Taylor and André Mick.

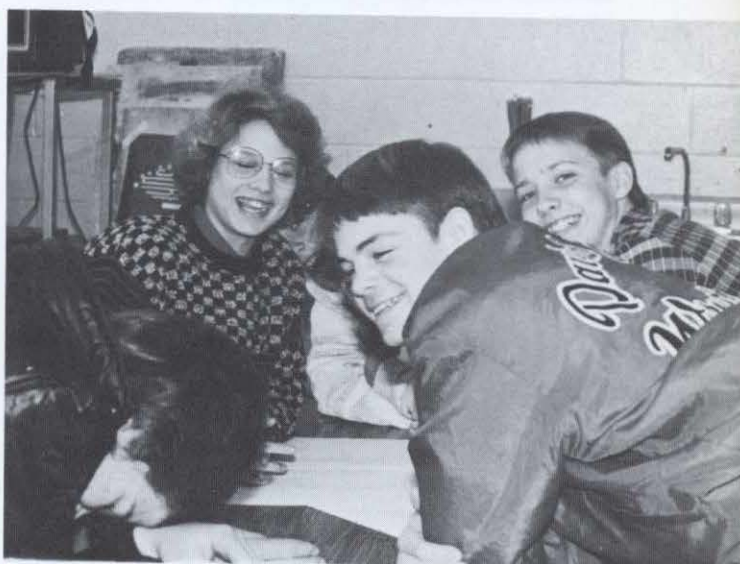






Getting his questions answered by senatorial candidate Hal Daub is senior Dennis Janousek. Steve Cruickshank, history teacher, listens intently.

Taking care of business during an art class is art instructor Kevin Kopecky as he sells junior Tracy Sabara a football t-shirt.



Showing their enthusiasm during art are sophomores Heath Birkel and Stacy Brandenburg and freshmen Chad Dietrich and Jim Sabara.

Silk screens are one of the projects made in Art III. Touching up her print is sophomore Heidi Kamrath.



# Challenges faced

## Students set goals and gain rewards

"The goals for the resource program are for the students to become independent learners, capable of finding ways to compensate on their own," said resource teacher Candace Nelms.

Being able to dismiss a student as an independent learner capable of finding the means to compensate on his own was one of the major rewards. Another reward was the look of success when students "caught on" to the "how to" that enabled them to do their own work.

Rewards were also important in PE. "We were able to play such games as basketball, goal soccer, rag ball, hockey, and lift weights.

The reward, in my opinion, was that you get exercise while doing something fun during the day," said sophomore Randy Theewen.

Challenges along with rewards were noted in the gifted program. Developing learning and interpersonal skills and career awareness were purposes of the program. However, only three students were able to work the program into their schedule.

One of those students was senior Linda Clymer. "I felt the rewards included the chance to leave school to work with other people. It also gave me a chance to explore other fields of study," said Clymer.

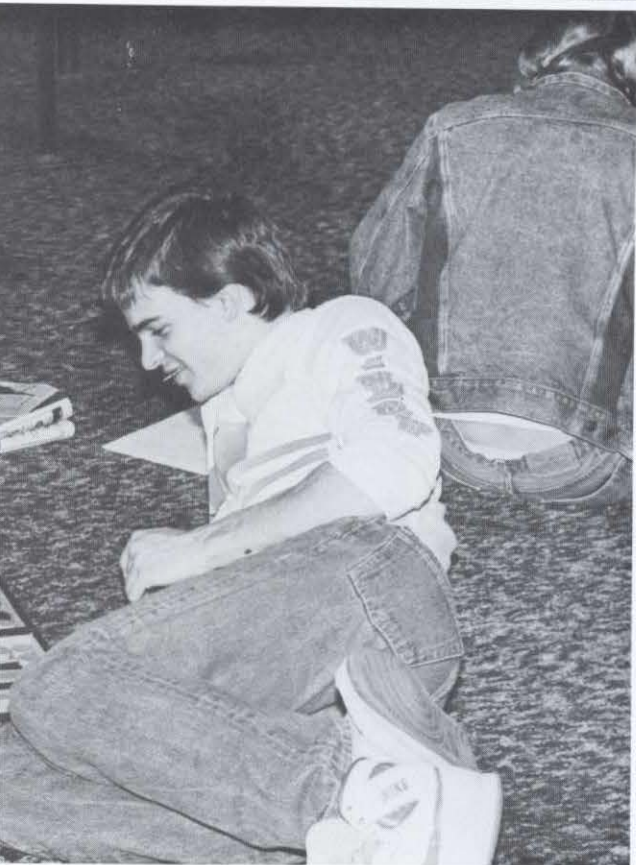


During lifetime sports class, senior Terry Richards gives racquetball a try.

Helping grade school children in the resource room make snowflakes is junior Connie Didier. Connie did this through the gifted program.







Playing backgammon in lifetime sports is teacher Tony Weinandt and senior Jamy Sloup.

For the gifted program, senior Linda Clymer learns about the home extension service from Ms. Susan Hansen. Only three students were in the program.



Returning the ball during a game of ping pong is senior Dale Lewis. In the round robin tournament in lifetime sports, senior Brad Howe was the winner.

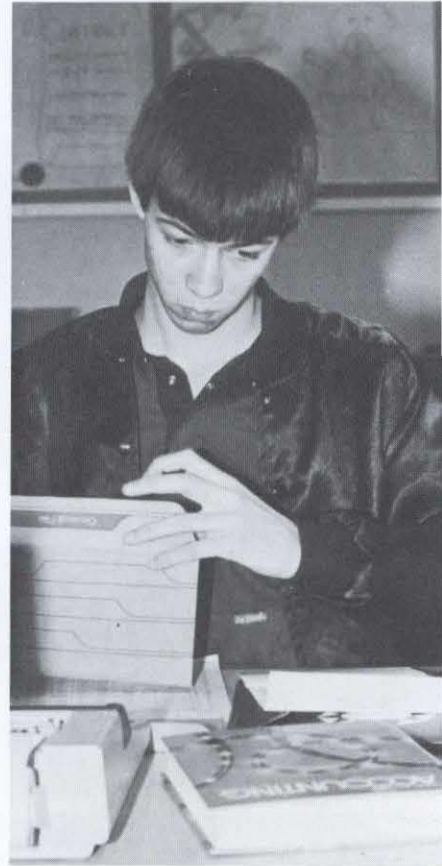
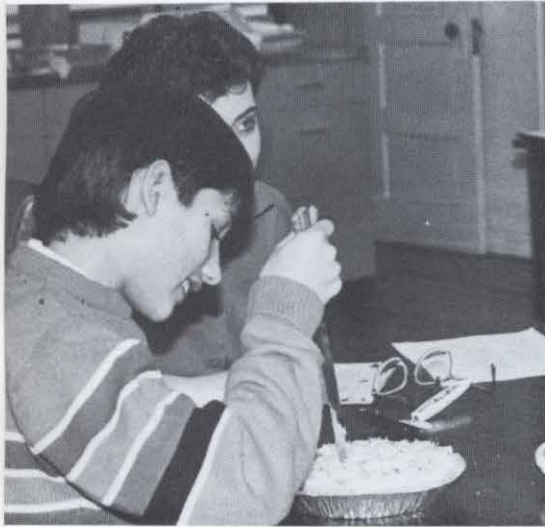
Getting help from Ms. Candace Nelms with his history is sophomore Bryan Niemann. Students received extra help through the resource program.



Searching in his file for a source document while working on his accounting practice set is junior Pat Misek.

Working on cases for business law is senior Ann Vrbka.

In home ec students can sample what they make. Freshman Robbie Svoboda cuts into a pie to sample.



## Projects inspire Sounds prove students are learning

The sounds of metal banging, engines running, and sewing machines humming were some of the sounds heard when vocational students worked on their projects.

In industrial arts was heard the sound of engines being torn apart. "We tear motors apart and try to put them back together," said junior Shane O'Dell. "I like it because you learn something about engines and you get to work with grease!" said junior Mark Egger.

In home ec sewing machines hummed along. "I like to work with different materials and you never have any homework," said

sophomore Christie Korus.

In business classes typewriters and adding machines clicked away. "I like typing. It's needed for most job qualifications and college courses," said freshman Heather Dalton.

In some business classes faint sighs of frustration were heard. "Accounting is fun but discouraging when numbers don't match up," said junior Kendra Bishop. "I think everyone can use it."

These were some of the sounds heard during the day as vocational students worked on their projects.

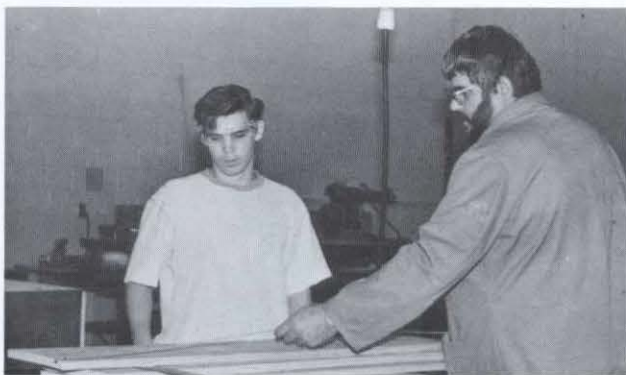
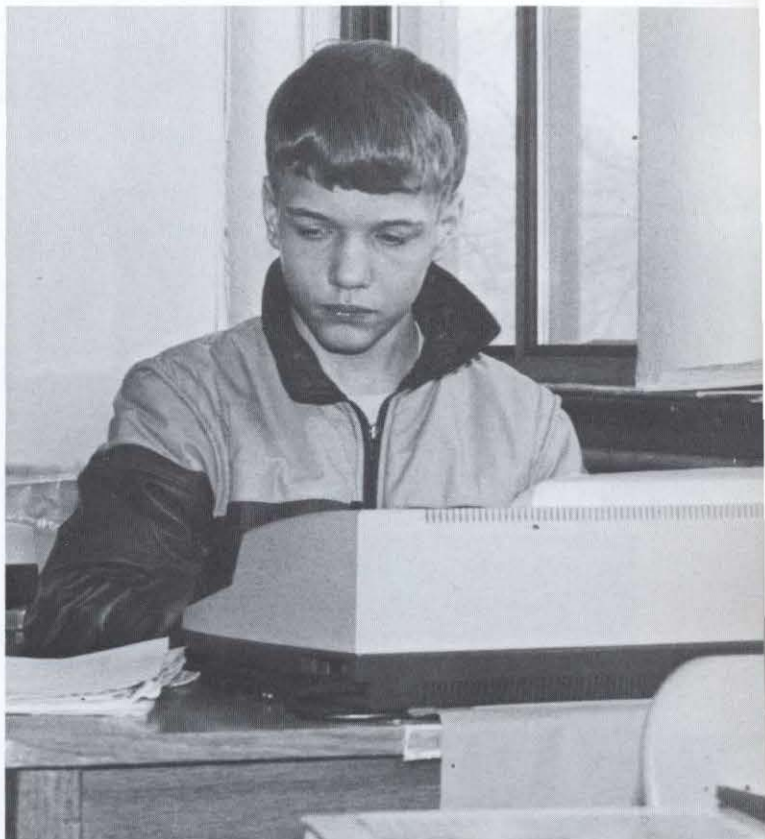






Cutting wood for his project in Voc Ag IV is senior Dan Pohl.

Concentrating on his typing assignment is freshman Travis Gray.



With help from Mr. Angell, sophomore Junior Gulzow measures wood for his bookcase in voc ag.

Adding the ingredients for meatballs during foods and nutrition class are senior Ann Vrbka and sophomores Tracy Cole, Nicki Wright, and Kris Beringer.



# Top award earned

## Journalists sharpen thinking skills

"Working with the yearbook and newspaper was a good learning experience. We learned a lot of ways to make the yearbook and newspaper more interesting," said junior Lanett Newhouse.

Several members of the journalism staff went to the Nebraska Press Association Convention in Lincoln in October to learn more about working with the publications.

"They gave us ideas and new ways to keep people interested in the yearbook and newspaper," said senior Mindy Grotelueschen.

For the fourth consecutive year **The Scout** won the Cornhusker award which was presented at the end of the convention. **The Scoop** received a first class rating. "The

judge was really tough, and he didn't give any Cornhusker awards to Class C and D newspapers," said **Scoop** Adviser Larry Griffiths.

After the convention, serious work began on the publications. The theme for the yearbook, *Charged with Character*, was chosen to show the unique importance of each individual.

"Everyone's opinion is important and should be listened to because they might have something important to say," said sophomore André Mick, co-editor of **The Scout**.

"I learned to appreciate the yearbook and newspaper. I don't think people realize how much thought and time is put into each section," said sophomore Leslie Niemann.



**Scoop** and **Scout** staff members are (Front Row): Angie Abel, **Scout** editor; Amy Lange, Tammy Starlin, Tammy Wirka, Sheila Jakub, Deanne DeWispelare, Leslie Niemann (Second Row): Mr. Larry Griffiths, **Scoop** adviser; André Mick, **Scout** editor; Lanett Newhouse, Mindy Grotelueschen, Darin Ko-

til, Jim Streager, Mike Koehn, Angie Pracek, Mrs. Kristi Griffiths, **Scout** adviser.

During **Scoop** layout, Amy Lange and André Mick show that journalism isn't "all work and no play."

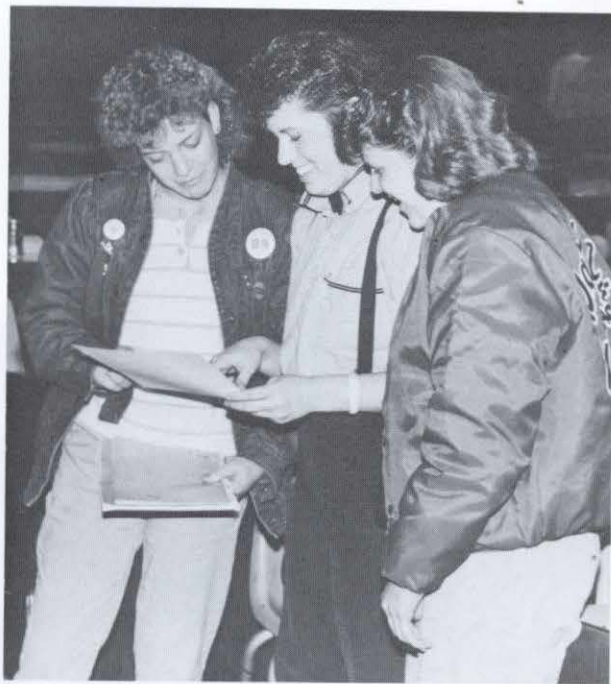






During an after school **Scoop** layout session, Adviser Larry Griffiths, Amy Lange, and André Mick work up an appetite.

**Racking their brains** as they work on their stories are sophomores Deanne DeWispelare and Leslie Niemann. Junior Lanett Newhouse works in the background.

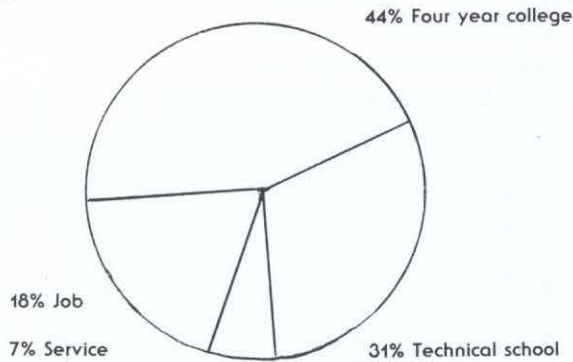


After winning the Cornhusker distinction for the 1987 **Scout** yearbook, Angie Pracek, André Mick, and Deanne DeWispelare look over the award. The award was presented at the end of the Nebraska High School Press Association Convention.

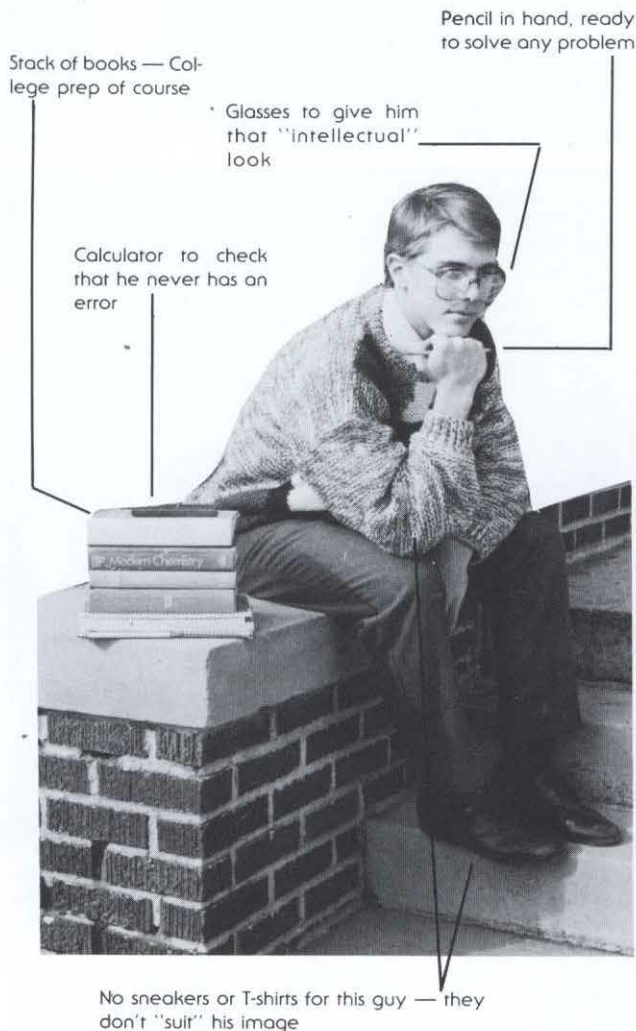
**Folding the Scoop** is sophomore Sheila Jakub while junior Lanett Newhouse concentrates on the ad section of the yearbook.

## IN FOCUS

What do you plan to do immediately following high school?

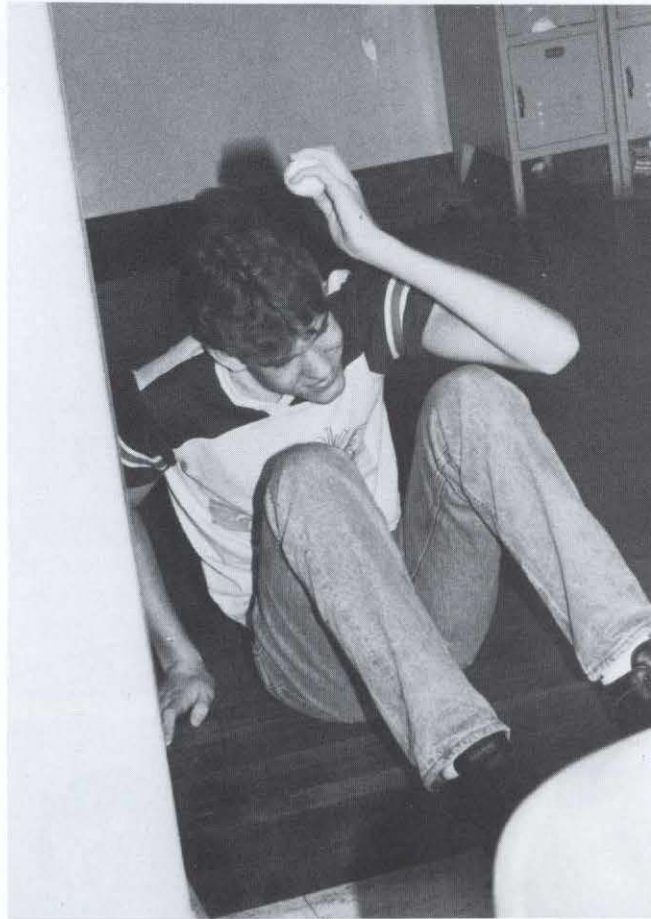


## THE BRAIN



(Portraying that "brain" image is senior Mike Koehn.)

Demonstrating that he can follow directions given in Spanish, Kamron Grubaugh puts the ball of string to his head as instructed to do so in Spanish I class.



## THERMOSTAT BLUES

The heat, or lack of heat, in school should have been considered an environmental factor on study habits for students.

Realizing they had made it through their first class comfortably, students knew that the Ice Age was approaching as they prepared for English II.

After second hour, students headed to art. This room could also have been categorized under the freezer section. One heat lamp wasn't enough to prevent art students from freezing their fingers.

Surviving their last two classes, the students knew the fourth hour physiology would be warm. With that in mind, they returned their jackets to their lockers. As they entered the room and felt the pleasing warmth, they knew it was too good to last. Sure enough, just as they sat down, the teacher announced, "Gee, it's hot in here," and flung the windows open.



# Issue Examined

What if a student or staff member at DCHS would contract AIDS? "Right now, I'm gathering more information and becoming more educated on the topic so I can make the proper decision when the time comes," said Superintendent Doug Townsend.

The school board would like to have the policy issued into effect for the 1988-89 school year.

## HEADLINES

1. **Science Fair:** Mark Wynegar's prize-winning exploding coffee can highlighted the science fair by showing how grain bins explode.

2. **TESA:** Some of the teachers participated in the Teacher Expectations and Student Achievement program to help better their teaching skills.

3. **Hugh O'Brian:** Jessica Davis was chosen to attend the Hugh O'Brian seminar with Christi Birkel as the alternate.

4. **7 of 8:** A proposal stating that students must take 7 out of 8 classes a day, with a maximum of one student aiding period, was passed by the Board of Education. It will go into effect next year.

5. **Supreme Court Ruling:** The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that schools have the right to censor high school newspaper publications which deal with highly controversial issues.



What period of the day would you prefer to have your toughest class?



"Second period. It would give me a period to get into the groove and study for anything, yet still be awake enough to understand what's going on." — Linda Clymer



"Second period. I could have first period to study for it. Then after it was done, I could get my other studies finished." — Kurt Cockson



"First period. I could remember all the tests and assignments I had. If I had it later, I would forget I had an assignment or test." — Daniel Carroll



Dissecting a cow's eye for his physiology class is sophomore Scott Dallegge.

Even first hour general business class was cold as the heat in the entire school quit working. The boiler was repaired shortly, however.

## Groups benefit all

*How have organizations been of help to you?*

*"They have helped me get more involved with school and my friends. They have made me more social and responsible. They have given me more credibility for college and a brighter outlook for the future." — Connie Didier, junior*

*"They have helped me gain responsibility and show pride in our school. It lets me be a part of the school spirit." — Leslie Niemann, sophomore*

*"It gives you a feeling of belonging to something, other than just going to school." — Dennis Janousek, senior*

One activity of the FFA was holding a children's barnyard. Supervising as an elementary student pets his brother's dog is senior John Jacobson.



Organizations added a lot to the students' character. Participation in organizations not only showed what the students were interested in, but it showed extra responsibility. Not only did participation benefit the ones in the group, but other students and people in the community as well.

One project the FFA did during National FFA Week was to hold a children's barnyard for the elementary students.

The National Honor Society donated money to the Youth Center. Members felt that since it is a place for students to hang out, then students should donate to it.

DC Club also tried to help the Youth Center. With the dues money, the club purchased two tickets to the Youth Center Pancake Breakfast for each member. The club also provided services to the community during its annual slave auction.

Those in student council were always willing to listen to problems that students had and to bring up suggestions for changes.

When Christmas came around, the choir set the mood caroling through town and entertaining at a concert.

Members of the band worked hard through the year selling pizzas and holding a style show to earn enough money to take a trip to California at the end of the year.

Something new was the REACH program. Students Brad Howe, Darin Kotil, Mike Heins, Trish Thoendel, Amy From, Deanne DeWispelare, and several Aquinas students talked to children at the elementary school and St. Mary's. They discussed drugs, peer pressure, and feelings in a way that would encourage elementary students to say "No" in the future.

Joining an organization or being in a club wasn't always an easy task or a social gathering. It took a lot of hard work and cooperation. It built character.

ORGANIZATIONS





Happy and enthused at receiving a superior rating in the Columbus Days Marching Competition are Majorette Dawn Svoboda and Band Director Bob Palensky.

Good grades,  
hard work  
get  
rewarded



One of the initiates in National Honor Society was junior Tracy Sabara.

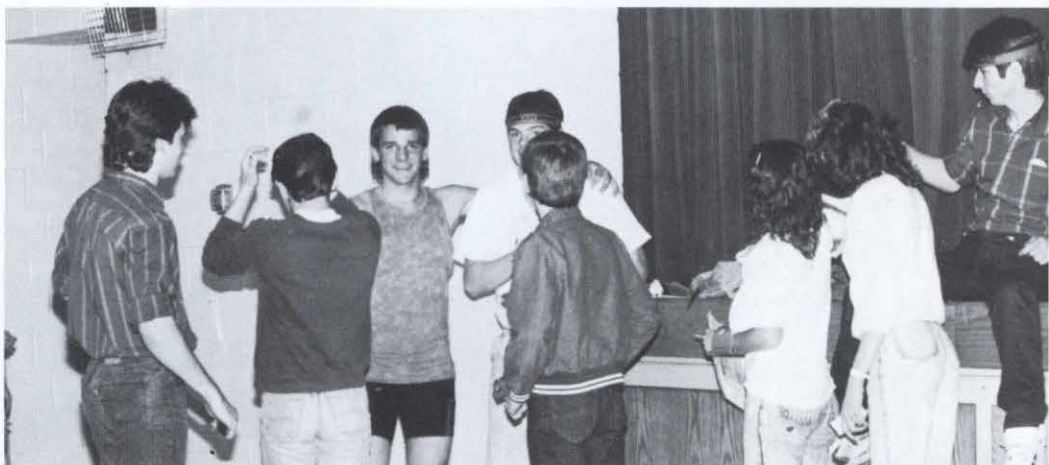
"It's an honor; it makes getting good grades worth the while. It is something that might help in getting a scholarship," said Sabara.

Four areas are considered for selection — character, service, leadership, and scholarship. A 91.5 grade point average is required.

"NHS is here to honor students who work hard," added Sabara.

Honoring Mrs. Lou Grotelueschen on Teacher Recognition Day are student council members Nikki Nickolite and Bridger Birkel.

Feeling the Christmas money crunch is sophomore Brian Coufal. The council sponsored the movie *Crocodile Dundee*.



At eighth grade visitation, while senior Dean DeWispelare talks to Darin Kotil, student council members take a break.

Student council members are (Front): Kurt Kuhlman, Carrie Thoendel, Chad Townsend, Trish Thoendel (Middle): Bridger Birkel, secretary; Karl Kuhlman, vice president; Nikki Nickolite, treasurer; Kendra Bishop, Michelle Nickolite (Back): John Brabec, Brad Howe, president; Shane O'Dell, Darin Kotil, Norman Brabec, Mr. Wayne Arnold, sponsor.







# LEADERSHIP SHOWN

Attending a workshop at Wahoo Neuman, helping with parent-teacher conferences, and decorating the study hall at Christmas were a few of the student council's activities.

"The workshop in Wahoo was to help improve the student council member and to help in leadership skills," said Mr. Wayne Arnold, sponsor.

Using the information from the workshop, the council set out to help the staff and students. At the beginning of the year, the student council gave each teacher an apple to show appreciation. During National Education Week they treated the entire staff to donuts. A breakfast was held on April 29

at which the staff and school board members joined the student council for eggs and sausage.

The council helped the students also. "We represent the entire student body. There is membership from each class. It is their job to assist in any way to improve the school and help solve any problems. Our overall goal is to improve the school on an individual or group basis," said Arnold.

At Christmas the council treated the school to a movie. They also kept the pop machine in operation and hosted eighth grade visitation.

The student council sought to make school life better.

by Deanne DeWispelare



Welcoming Chris Hutchinson and Lynn Kozisek into NHS is President Dean DeWispelare.



Preparing for parent-teacher conferences are Mr. Wayne Arnold, Norm Brabec, and Principal Paul Chaney.



NHS members are (Front): Chris Hutchinson, André Mick, Lynn Kozisek, Donna Zima, Tracy Sabara, Sherry Zeilinger, Missy Davis, Christi Birkel, Jessica Davis (Back): Candi Lostroh, Rachel Klingemann, Trish Thoendel, Shelly Behrens, Mark Wynegar, Ron Havlovic, Darin Kotil, Bridget Birkel, treasurer; Dean DeWispelare, president; Denise Kucera, secretary; Brad Howe, Mike Koehn, Kendra Bishop, Linda Clymer, Angie Abel, vice president; and Sharon Allen. Not pictured is Connie Didier.



# GROUPS GO WILD

Attending the state and national FHA conventions, making Valentine's cookies, and having the FHA soup supper were a few activities the FHA members participated in. "Attending the national and state conventions were a lot of fun. There were many new experiences and we met a lot of different people," said freshman Lori High.

With all the fun, however, there was also a great deal of responsibility. "The soup supper was a big responsibility because I was co-chairperson over the whole event, but at least everything went smoothly," said senior Ann Vrbka.

Having fun, yet being responsible, was what part of FHA was all about. However, helping people was also included. "Just knowing I helped in any way I could — whether it was for the community

or for the school — making people happy was reward enough for me," said Vrbka.

The FFA members also learned that helping others could be fun. "We had a children's barnyard for the preschoolers and first through third graders. They asked questions about the animals and it was fun to help them learn," said sophomore Brian Niemann.

Not only did the FFA members enjoy helping others, but they also gained confidence in themselves. "When I went to districts in welding and found out I was eligible for state competition, it was great because it was a chance to compete individually," said sophomore Eric Betzen.

Having fun, helping others, and being responsible were all a part of FHA and FFA.

Andre' Mick



**FFA members are** (Front Row): Roger Remmers, Jeff Riha, Terry Richards, vice president; Dan Pohl, president; Rick Kovar, secretary; Jamy Sloup, treasurer; Joey Warren (Second Row): Carl Clymer, Junior Gulzow, Brian Niemann, Josephine Gulzow, Amy Lukert, Scott Hoeft, Duane Shockley, Kathy Roubal, John Jacobson, and Mr. Jim Angell, advisor.



**Helping the children** ride the Shetland pony at the FFA barnyard are seniors Rick Kovar and Jamy Sloup.

**Frying eggs** for the faculty breakfast held by the FFA is senior Terry Richards.







Decorating someone's secret Valentine's cookie is sophomore Christie Korus.

The FHA soup supper is something everyone can enjoy, including the head of the committee, senior Ann Vrbka.



Proficiency recognized



Jeff Riha won the area, district, and state competitions for the National Turf and Landscape Award and will compete in regional and national finals at Kansas City in November.



Serving at the soup supper are sophomores Tracy Cole and Missy Davis.



FHA members are (Front Row): Jackie Romshek, treasurer; Lori High, secretary; Josephine Gulzow, president; Ann Vrbka, 1st vice president; Missy Davis, 2nd vice president (Second Row): Peg Mulenex, Kendra Zeillinger, Jenny Sweney, Tracy Cole, Christie Korus, Stacy Brandenburgh, Sharon Allen (Third Row): Kristi Ronkar, Cori Sabata, Carolyn Gulzow, Dawn Chubb, Kathie Brown, Heather Birkel, Jamie Zegers, Dani Souba (Fourth Row): Amy Lukert, Shannon White, Heather Ueckert, Robin Lukassen, and Mrs. Judy Davis, sponsor.

To earn the awards, Riha kept accurate records of his lawn mowing business and then filled out the proficiency application. "It takes time to fill out an application, but I found that it was worth the effort," said Riha.

## Lostroh wins democracy speech award



Participating in the Voice of Democracy speech contest sponsored by the American Legion has proven rewarding for junior Candi Lostroh. "I like them because it's easy to win money doing them in this area," said Lostroh.

Lostroh has won \$95 in local and district competition. "I also received a plaque of my own and the school received a trophy when I won District 15 this year."

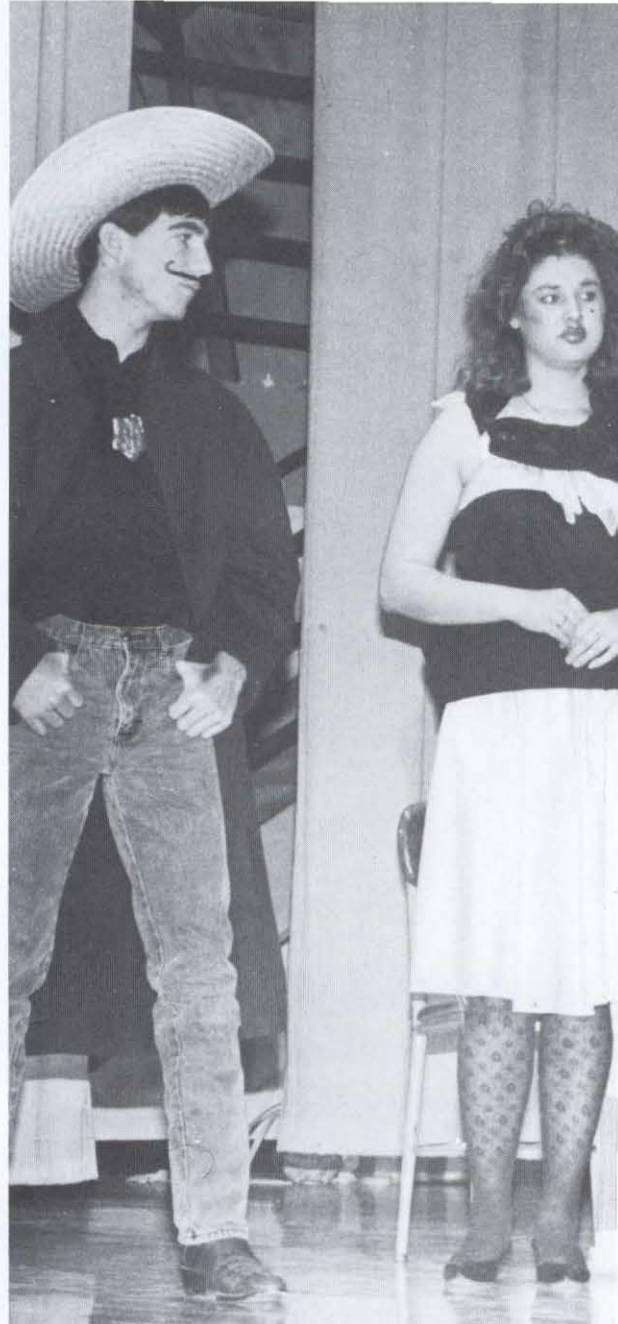
Performing the melodrama, *Her Heart Belongs to Heartburn*, for elementary students are freshman Tim Rathjen, senior Dawn Svoboda, and freshman Eddie Jarrett.

The thespians helped with the district speech contest held at DCHS. Showing off his gymnastic ability during a break in the contest is junior Shane O'Dell.



Discussing the Hugh O'Brian seminar during speech class is junior Pam Brown.

**Speech members are** (Front): Jackie Romshak, Linda Clymer, Ms. Lora Dion, sponsor; Jessica Davis, Missy Davis (Back): Pam Brown, Dawn Svoboda, Suzi Whitmore, Sheila Davis, Candi Lostroh, and Cindy Roubal.







# TECHNIQUES SHARED

Once again the speech team started the school year with a new instructor, Lora Dion. "It's always nice to get a fresh view of things, but it's also very hard to keep the speech program going when we change teachers every year," said junior Candi Lostroh.

In spite of the change in teachers, members of the speech team participated in a number of contests and several individuals received high ratings. Some of the preparation came from knowledge gained in speech class, but for others who participated, much of the work was done individually. In order to receive these ratings, students prepared in several different ways.

"I repeat my speech several times and practice in front of a mirror. I also practice by giving it to my parents or talking into a tape recorder," said senior Linda Clymer.

While preparing and giving a speech, junior Jackie Romshek con-

siders body movement and facial expressions which would emphasize the content of her speech.

"I usually try to have the material ready at least a month in advance," said junior Pam Brown. "For duets, Sheila (Davis) and I work on finding a selection a couple months ahead of time to allow time to make cuts. We practice daily for a month."

Two speech participants, Candi Lostroh and Cindy Roubal, went to the state speech contest. Lostroh gave a serious prose speech and received two excellent ratings. Roubal took an informative speech which received one excellent and one superior rating. However, neither got into the finals. "I think Candi and Cindy did very well at state," said Dion.

by Tammy Wirka



**Ready to time** the next event for the district speech contest is senior Suzi Whitmore. One of the judges looks over a critique sheet.

**Thespians members are** (Front): Ron Havlovic, Sharon Allen, Sherry Zeilinger, Candi Lostroh, vice president; Jessica Davis, Linda Sloup, Amy From, Lora Dion, sponsor (Middle): Pam

Brown, Sue Hain, DeAnn Schultz, Dawn Svoboda, secretary; Denise Kucera, treasurer; Mindy Grolueschen, Suzi Whitmore, Sheila Davis, Linda Clymer, Jackie Romshek (Top): Shane O'Dell and John Deacy.



"Shake your hands" demonstrates senior Bridger Birkel to assistant coach Joe Horky at a football pep rally.

Getting the crowd to stand up and cheer at a basketball game are sophomore Lynn Kozisek and senior Mindy Grotelueschen.

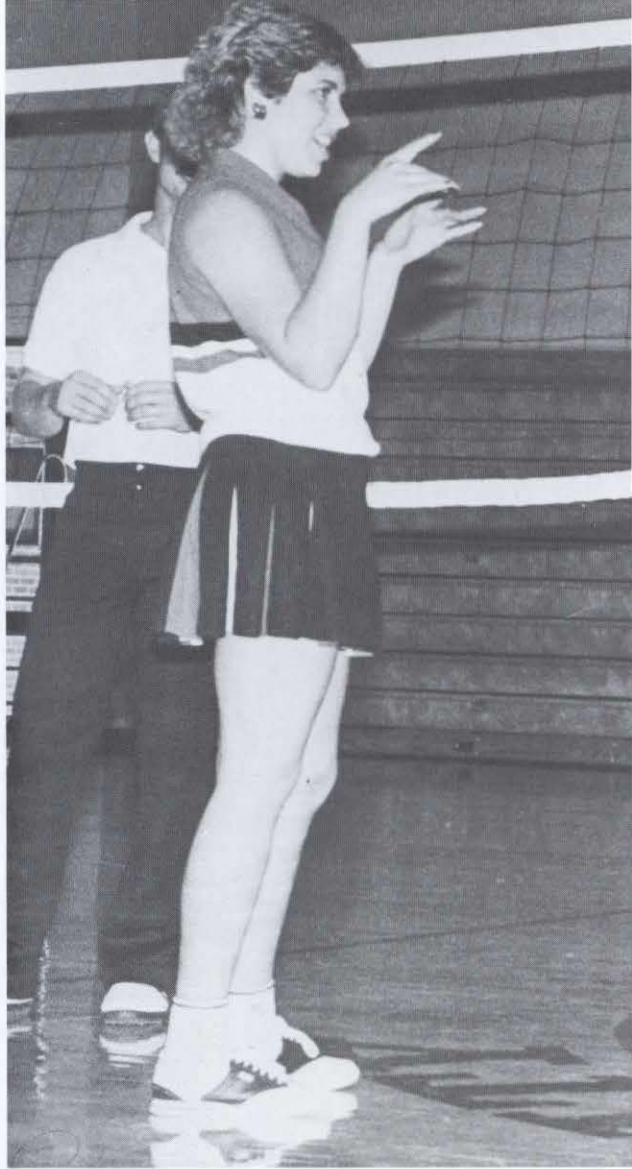
## Kotil brings highest bid



The highest priced student sold at the slave auction was Darin Kotil who was bought by Don DeWispelare for \$50.

"We picked up irrigation pipe from the field and put it in storage. It was fun work and not a fifty dollar job," said Kotil.

The money from the slave auction was used to purchase a video camera for the athletic department.



**DC Club members** are (Front Row): Mike Heins, Mike Koehn, Brad Howe, Darin Kotil, Jamy Sloup, Dean DeWispelare, president; Kurt Schaecher, vice president; Keith Kampschnieder, Lynn Kozisek, Tracy Scholz (Second Row): Ron Havlovic, Dennis Janousek, Tracy Sabata, Mindy Grotelueschen, Susie Hain, Nikki Nickolite, Angie Abel, Denise Kucera, treasurer; Lisa Ostermeier, Stacy Brandenburgh, Leslie Niemann, Heidi Kamrath (Third Row): Brian Coufal, Chris Butler, Curt Duer, John Deacy,

Amy From, Keri Kamrath, Shelly Behrns, Trish Thoende, Linda Sloup, Jackie Romshek, Sharon Allen (Fourth Row): Jess Zegers, Kurt Kuhlman, Jason Lawrence, Chad Townsend, Eric Betzen, Scott Hoeft, Scott Dallegge, Mark Wyngaard, Shawn Robins, Chris Hutchinson (Fifth Row): Jeff Gray, Mark Egger, Pat Masek, Bill Remmers, Allan Pohl, Kwapnoski, Jason Masek, Randy Theewen, Jeff Arnold, Eddie Jarrett, Joel Lavicky. Not pictured is Bridger Birkel, secretary.





# SUMMERTIME SPIRIT

**S**pirit! That's what the cheerleaders were all about. But, this couldn't be done by a single squad alone. That's why the DCHS varsity cheerleaders attended the ICF Cheerleading Camp at Doane College before the school year even started. The cheerleaders learned new cheers, chants, and dance routines.

"It was an exciting experience. It gave us a chance to learn new ideas and to improve our squad. Camp also gave us a lot of time to get to know each other better," said sophomore Lynn Kozisek.

"It gave us the opportunity to see what potential we had. It gave us new inner spirit and excite-

ment," said senior Bridget Birkel.

The cheerleaders learned two dance routines which they used throughout the football and basketball seasons. They also worked on partner stunts, something that they had not done in the past.

The week was filled with many practical jokes and fun between roommates. "We had a lot of fun, especially watching Mindy and Bridget fight," said sophomore Carrie Thoendel.

Overall, it was a great experience and benefit to the cheerleaders to attend camp. "I'll never forget that fun and wild week of yea's and rah's," said Birkel.

by Mindy Grotelueschen



**Writing down names and prices** which the DC Club members sell for at the slave auction are seniors Angie Abel and Bridget Birkel, secretary.

**Making buttons to earn money** are junior cheerleaders Shelly Behrns and Trish Thoendel.

**Varsity cheerleaders are** (Front): Lynn Kozisek, Carrie Thoendel, Shelly Behrns, co-captain (Back): Trish Thoendel, Bridget Birkel, and Mindy Grotelueschen, co-captain.





## Tuba playing earns honors



Senior Ron Havlovic has been playing the tuba since seventh grade. "I did start out on the trumpet, but the tuba is a lot easier to play and the band needed a tuba player," said Havlovic.

Havlovic has received superiors on all solos he has taken to district music contest. "I plan on majoring in music education and will probably play the tuba in college," added Havlovic.

Performing at the Columbus Field Competition are clarinet players Nicki Wright, Rachel Klingemann, Angie Pracek, and Ann Vrbka. The band received a I.

"Reflections of Yesterday" was the theme of the band's style show. Junior Trish Thoendel models a dress from the 40's.



Concentrating on his solo at the Spring Arts Festival is senior Mike Koehn.

At the Winter Band Concert Susie Hain, Ann Vrbka, Angie Pracek, Kari Kuhlman, Nicki Wright, and the rest of the band entertain the crowd with such tunes as "Omaha Beach" and "Aventura."







# EARLINESS PAYS OFF

**W**hat? Another year of 7:30 in the morning practices? You bet! Rain, fog, or sunshine, the band was outside on the practice field, going through its marching routines. And it all paid off.

The Scouts completed their marching season earning superiors in all of their events, including the Nebraska State Bandmasters Marching Competition. "The audience and the judges really liked it," said Director Bob Palensky about the routine.

"A Musical Journey" was the theme for the winter band concert. The band played music from different lands and times, and the seniors chose music they enjoyed playing from the past to the pres-

ent.

The concert band received a superior at district music contest as did the clarinet trio of Lynn Kozisek, Carrie Thoendel, and Rachel Klingemann. Solos earning superiors were by Mike Koehn, Sheila Davis, Ron Havlovic, and Nicki Wright.

Wrapping up the year, the band is planning a trip to California where they will perform at Disneyland. "We finally made it. After tons of fund raisers and practices, we're actually going! It seemed like a dream, but now it's California here we come!" said sophomore Leslie Niemann.

by Deanne DeWispelare



**Band members are** (Front Row): Tracy Sabara, L. J. Eberly, Mindy Grotelueschen, Rick Kovar, Brad Howe, Majorette Dawn Svoboda, Dean DeWispelare, Chad Townsend, Robbie Svoboda, Band Director Bob Palensky (Second Row): Amy Lange, Sherry Zeilinger, Lori High, Carrie Thoendel, Kari Kuhlman, Rachel Klingemann, Nicki Wright, Missy Davis, Heidi Kamrath (Third Row): Denise Kucera, Mike Koehn, Sheila Davis, Mark Wynegar, Candi Daro, Les-

lie Niemann, Jennifer Kabourek, Donna Zima, Joel Lavicky, Ron Havlovic (Back Row): Jenny Sweney, Chris Hutchinson, John Sreager, Ryan Townsend, Darin Koril, Bill Elron, Deanne DeWispelare, Jeff Gray, Travis Gray (Left Side): Carrie Hain, Lynn Kozisek, Trish Thoendel, Amy From, flag girls (Right Side): Linda Sloup, Kendra Bishop, Shelly Behrns, and Keri Kamrath, flag girls.



# SELECT GROUPS EXCEL

"The stage band had good lead players in each section for everyone to follow," said Mr. Bob Palensky, director.

Palensky felt the stage band's best performances were at District Music Contest where they earned a superior rating, and at the stage band/swing choir concert in April where the main objective was to have fun. "They always play well at those kinds of concerts," Palensky said.

One of the highlights of the season was the stage band's "Tour '88, on the road," where they played at the small surrounding schools.

"The band plays with a lot of style no matter what kind of music,

from swing to the rock music of today," said Palensky.

Along with the fun sound of the stage band, the swing choir was equally busy having a good time. For example, during the swing choir/stage band concert members cried during the song "He's Gone Away" and Miss Amsberry posed as a bull for "The Bullfighter."

"We improved with each performance, so the last was probably the best," said Sharon Amsberry, director. The group received an excellent rating at District Music Contest. "This was a terrific group to work with and I'll really miss them," Amsberry said.

by Mindy Grotelueschen



**Stage band members** are (Sitting): Rachel Klingemann, Linda Clymer, L.J. Eberly, Jennifer Kabourek, Nicki Wright, Deanne DeWispelare, Sheila Davis, Mark Wynegar, Denise Kucera, Candi Daro, Leslie Niemann (Standing): Rick Kovar, Sherry Zeilinger, Missy Davis, Mike Koehn, Linda Sloup, Chris Hutchinson, Donna Zima, Joel Lavicky, Bill Elton, Ryan Townsend, and Ron Havlovic.

One of the hard working sections of the stage band was the saxophones. The players are Leslie Niemann, Mark Wynegar and Jennifer Kabourek. The stage band received a 1 rating at District Music Contest.



**Performing at the pre-contest concert** are trumpeter section members Ryan Townsend and Chris Hutchinson.



Playing the barisaxophone during the spring concert is sophomore Nicki Wright.

Taunting the audience during their performance of "Everybody Rejoice" is the swing choir.



Swing choir members are (Front): Pam Brown, Cindy Roubal, Josephine Gulzow (Back): Dawn Svoboda, Mindy Grotelueschen, Candi Lostroh, Sherry Zeilinger, Sharon Allen, Bridget Birkel, and Tammy Wirka.

Singing a ballad are swing choir members (Front): Mindy Grotelueschen, Bridget Birkel, Josephine Gulzow (Back): Sharon Allen, Dawn Svoboda, Tammy Wirka, and Pam Brown.

## Koehn earns jazz award



Mike Koehn has been a member of stage band for four years. This year all that hard work paid off as he was the recipient of the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award.

One of the fun times for the stage band was their tour of the surrounding schools. "I enjoyed the tour because I like playing for little kids," said Koehn.

"Rock that Cradle" is sung at the Christmas concert by seniors Dawn Svoboda, Bridget Birkel, Mindy Grotelueschen, and sophomore Sherry Zeilinger.

At the annual Christmas concert, juniors Candi Lostroh and Tammy Wirka sing a duet, "Just a Little Baby."

Singing fun  
results in  
exciting day



One of the fun moments enjoyed by the choir was the children's concert held for the elementary grades. Part of the fun was having the elementary students help sing "Row, Row, Row Your Boat" in rounds.

"The children were very enthused about the program. I think that letting them sing may help persuade them to join choir in high school," said senior Josephine Gulzow.



With amazing acting ability senior Sheila Davis sings "Jingle Bell Travelogue" in a variety of languages.

Singing "The Star Spangled Banner" before a football game is senior Dawn Svoboda as senior cheerleader Mindy Grotelueschen salutes the flag.







# SOUND HAS MATURED

"Our biggest strength was our experience. Almost half the group was seniors," said Miss Sharon Amsberry, choir director. After listening to a tape of the choir made two years ago, it was easy to tell that the choir had greatly improved.

"The choir we had two years ago sounded like a bunch of little girls, but as we matured, our sound greatly improved," said senior Mindy Grotelueschen.

Adding to the culture of the choir was foreign exchange student Gabriela Torres. Coming from Mexico, Torres found this class different from the choir at her home in Mexico. "Here they classify you to your range of voice and there they just sing," said Torres.

Near the end of the year, the group took three pieces to the district music contest. The girls' glee and the triple trio received II ratings and the sextet received a I.

"The judges were fairly tough. Considering the small number of I's given out in Class C, I was pleased with our rating," said junior Candi Lostroh. Lostroh received a superior rating on her solo.

"I think we were at our peak at contest, and probably performed as well as we could have. I was very pleased with our ratings," said Amsberry.

by Tammy Wirka



**Choir members are** (Front): Gabriela Torres, Tammy Wirka, Amy Lukert, Josephine Gulzow (Middle Row): Ann Vrbka, Peggy Mulenex, Jackie Romshek, Candi Lostroh, Cindy Roubal, Pam Brown (Back): Lisa Ostermeier, Sherry Zeilinger, Mindy Grotelueschen, Dawn Svoboda, Sharon Allen, and Missy Davis.

**Singing the traditional** Christmas classic "Silver Bells" are sophomore Missy Davis and senior Sharon Allen.

# Hard work pays off

## Why do you go out for sports?

*"I like sports a lot and I enjoy competing against other schools, especially rivals. Also, it creates a personal satisfaction when you do something good out on the field or on the court." — Kurt Schaecher, senior*

*"I go out for sports because it's a fun challenge and helps me stay in shape." — Christi Birkel, sophomore*

*"Sports give me something to do after school instead of being bored." — Chris Butler, junior*

Working to get the ball away from an Osceola opponent are seniors Darin Kotil (34) and Brad Howe (24).



Sports helped develop character as well as reveal individual character. Sports showed who was athletic, who liked competition, those full of enthusiasm, and those who were just plain dedicated Scout fans.

Students who participated in events dared the challenge of hard practices, late nights studying after games, pressure from parents and friends, and their own feelings of being part of the competition.

This year seemed to be the one for inexperience. The volleyball team had only three returning letter winners. This added an extra challenge to the season.

The wrestlers also faced the problem of inexperience. Although they had no seniors to show leadership, the returning letter winners guided the team to a good season. With hard work and determination five matmen made it to the state tournament.

Not only were the ones out for athletics giving a lot, but so were those who went to watch and root on their school. They showed pride in DCHS and stood up for their school.

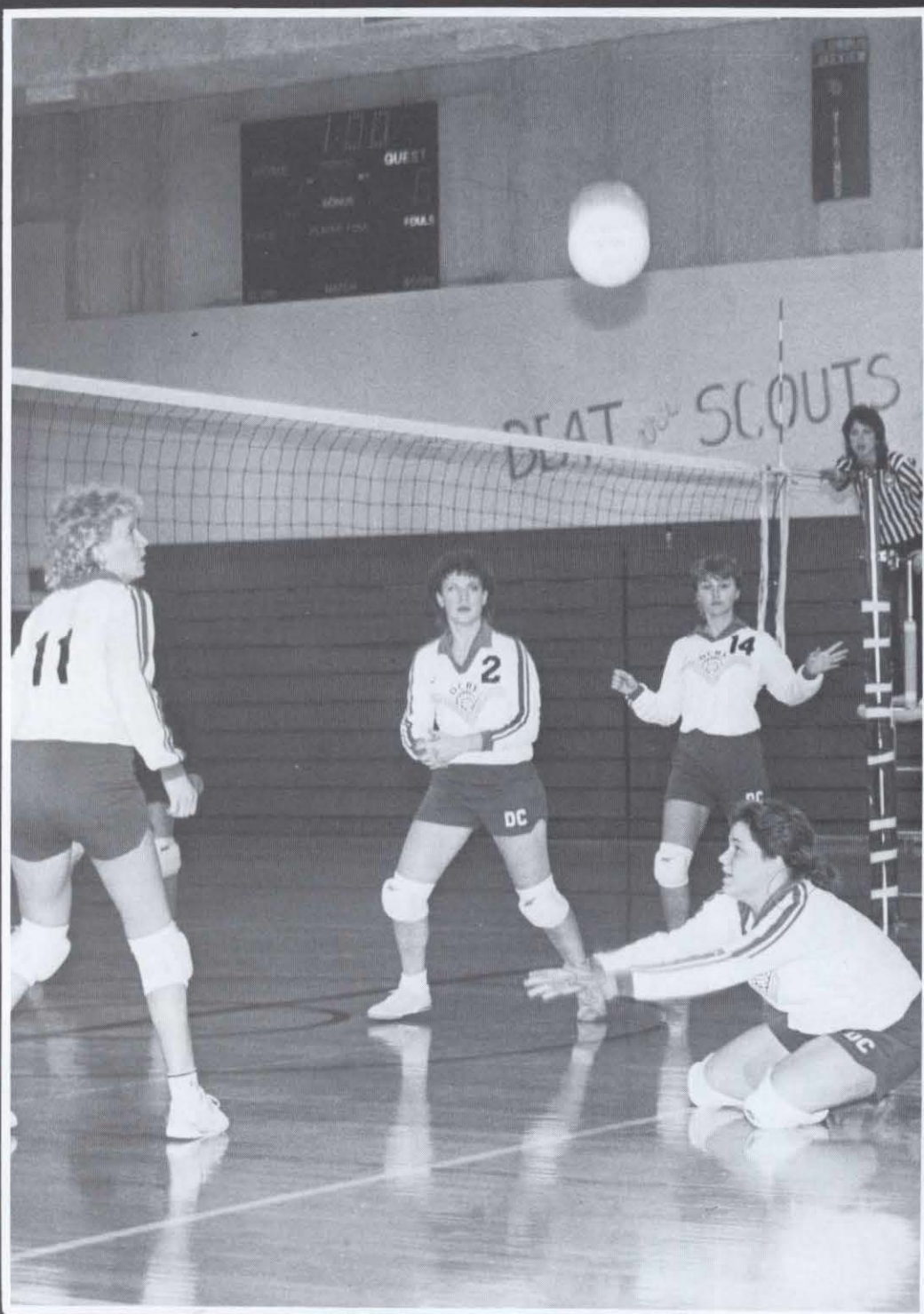
A few sports-related issues received attention. The decision to allow girls to go out for wrestling brought about student reaction in THE SCOOP. In April the school board revoked the Activities Code and decided to devise a new one for the next year.

Students didn't always stay in shape by going out for sports at school. Some worked out on their own. Many used the Wellness Center and its aerobic program while several took swimming lessons to become lifeguards.

Much was expected from those students who decided to take on another responsibility by being on a team. Sports brought out character and shaped character. In the end, participation and interest in athletics paid off.

**SPORTS**





Under pressure and trying to keep their act together against Schuyler are Tracy Sabata, Sharon Allen (11), Denise Kucera (2), and Shelly Behrs (14).

**Wins over East Butler and Malcolm cited as major highlights of volleyball season**

## Action at best at tourneys



*"The motivation, excitement, and desire were there." — Bridget Birkel*

**Y**ou always feel bad after a losing season, but I feel we did the best we were capable of doing," said Coach Mona Petersen.

The volleyball team ended their season with a 6-12 record. Getting good passes to the setter and lack of varsity experience were two problems the team felt they had.

Tournament action proved to be exciting. In the David City Invite, after two close sets, the Scouts trounced Wahoo, 15-0. In the finals against Shelby, the Scouts were edged out in the third set, 13-15.

"The motivation, excitement, and desire were all there. Just knowing that we could get the crowd that riled up made it one of the highlights of the season," said senior Bridget Birkel.

During the conference tournament, the Scouts defeated East Butler. "Everyone thought we'd hardly have a chance, but we were really psyched up," said senior Denise Kucera.

"Beating them proved that we could win if we really put our minds to it," said junior Linda Sloup.

The Scouts were then beat by Osceola and lost a close game to Genoa to place fourth in the tournament.

Subdistricts were a challenge. In the first contest, the Scouts defeated Malcolm in three sets. "I think Malcolm was our toughest game. It was such an important game, and it lasted a very long time," said senior Mindy Grotelueschen. In the next round, the team lost to Centennial.

Although the team's season ended with a 6-12 record, there were positive feelings about the year. "I was disappointed that we didn't have a winning record, but we had a lot of exciting moments and enthusiasm," said Kucera. The team set a new record for best serving percentage in a season with 92%.



Varsity volleyball members are (Front): Angie Abel, Amy From (Middle): Sharon Allen, Bridget Birkel, Linda Sloup, Tracy Scholz, Leslie Niemann (Back): Tracy Sabata, Mindy Grotelueschen, Nikki Nickolite, Shelly Behrns, Jackie Romshek, and Denise Kucera. Not pictured is Coach Mona Petersen.







As senior Sharon Allen waits in anticipation, senior Denise Kucera (2) spikes the ball to Shelby defenders. Denise made the All-

State Honorable Mention team in the Omaha World-Herald.

#### Varsity Volleyball (Record 6-12)

*NE Lutheran	15-5	10-15	15-5
Fullerton	3-15	6-15	
Lincoln Christian	7-15	5-15	
Osceola	7-15	5-15	
Schuyler	15-4	8-15	5-15
*Stromsburg	16-14	16-14	
David City Invite			
*Wahoo	12-15	15-12	15-0
Shelby	16-14	13-15	13-15
Wahoo	15-8	12-15	14-16
Lakeview	15-4	5-15	2-15
*Genoa	15-11	15-11	
Conference Tournament			
*East Butler	15-8	11-15	15-11
Osceola	6-15	4-15	
Genoa	10-15	15-8	13-15
East Butler	6-15	2-15	
Shelby	8-15	15-10	9-15
Subdistrict Tournament	16-14	16-18	15-7
*Malcolm	4-15	13-15	
Centennial			

#### Honors

David City Invite 1st team — Sharon Allen Honorable Mention — Denise Kucera, Tracy Sabata  
All Conference 1st team — Denise Kucera Honorable Mention — Sharon Allen, Bridger Birkel  
All State Honorable Mention — Denise Kucera



After winning her 200th career game, Coach Mona Petersen receives a plaque from Don Sackett, activities director.



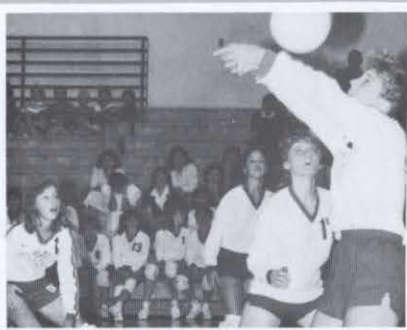
As Junior Tracy Sabata sets the ball, senior Bridger Birkel looks on. Tracy led the team in set assists.

Spiking the ball is senior Bridger Birkel while senior Denise Kucera backs her up. Bridger had a 92% spiking record.



As the teams are announced, seniors Denise Kucera, Angie Abel, and Bridger Birkel get psyched up for the game.

Going up for the spike is freshman Lori High while freshman Diane Pracek waits for the result. The frosh compiled a 7-6 record.



Bumping the ball is Linda Sloup while Amy From, Trish Thoendel, and Kendra Bishop wait to assist.



Just missing the ball against Shelby is sophomore Shawn Robins.

#### Freshman Volleyball (Record 7-6)

*Nebraska Lutheran	15-10	15-6	
Fullerton	2-15	15-17	
*Lincoln Christian	12-15	15-4	15-6
*Osceola	15-12	16-18	10-4
Schuyler	15-17	8-15	
*Stromsburg	15-13	15-3	
*Seward St. John	15-7	15-9	15-12
*Wahoo	15-8	8-15	15-9
Lakeview	10-15	15-12	9-15
Genoa	2-15	7-15	
West Point	10-15	5-15	
*East Butler	16-14	4-15	11-7
Shelby	11-15	15-9	4-14

#### Junior Varsity Volleyball (Record 1-10)

Nebraska Lutheran	15-12	9-15	13-15
Fullerton	15-12	4-15	12-15
Lincoln Christian	7-15	6-15	
Osceola	11-15	9-15	
Schuyler	7-15	0-15	
*Stromsburg	15-12	15-11	
Wahoo	15-9	9-15	12-15
Lakeview	14-16	6-15	
Genoa	11-15	3-15	
East Butler	5-15	3-15	
Shelby	4-15	9-15	

#### Junior Varsity Football (Record 2-4)

Lakeview	6-12
Raymond Central	8-14
*Fullerton	19-0
Lakeview frosh	6-8
Stromsburg	7-18
*Central City	28-27 (OT)



Freshman and Junior varsity members are (Front Row): Jessica Davis, student manager; Jennifer Kobourek, Lori High, Diane Pracek, Michelle Nickolire, Jenny Sweney, Shellie Egr, Candi Lostroh, student manager (Second Row): Nicki Wright, Carrie Thoendel, Heidi Kamrath, Deanne DeWispelare, Keri Kamrath, Trish Thoendel (Third Row): Amy From, Linda Sloup, Kendra Bishop, Paula Ehlers, Candi Daro, Tracy Scholz, Lynn Kozisek (Back Row): Kris Beringer, Jackie Romshek, Michelle Taylor, Lisa Ostermeier, Christie Korus, Donna Zima, Kim Svoboda, Christi Birkel, and Leslie Niemann.

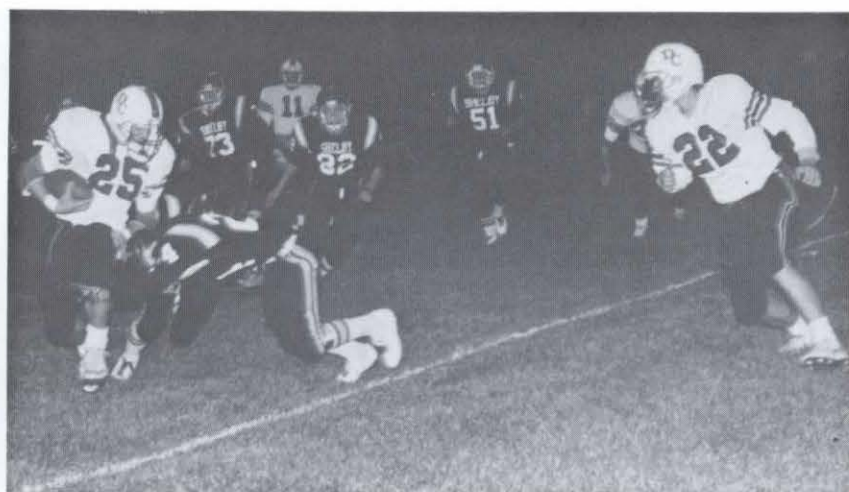
In a reserve game, Amy From hustles to bump the ball up while Kendra Bishop and Leslie Niemann (4) cover the back court.





against Shelby. Mike Heins (25) rushes for a gain as Mike Koehn (22) runs to help. Brad Lowe (11) awaits the result.

Following into a Fullerton opponent is freshman Jeff Arnold. Eric Berzen (71) and Chad Townsend (12) watch the action.



by Tammy Wirka and Andre' Mick

Junior varsity teams show improvement and growing potential in all aspects

## Losing seasons reveal hope

"Everyone supported each other." — Coach Weinandt



A 7-6 record was compiled by the freshman volleyball team. "The highlights of the season were watching the freshmen really play well together and get most of their passes to the setter," said Coach Karen McCluskey. "Their net play was very good for being freshmen. The girls were very aggressive and didn't pass up the chance to spike the ball," added McCluskey.

The junior varsity team ended its season with a 1-10 record. "If we would have put more effort into the practices and games, we would have had a better season," said sophomore Kris Beringer.

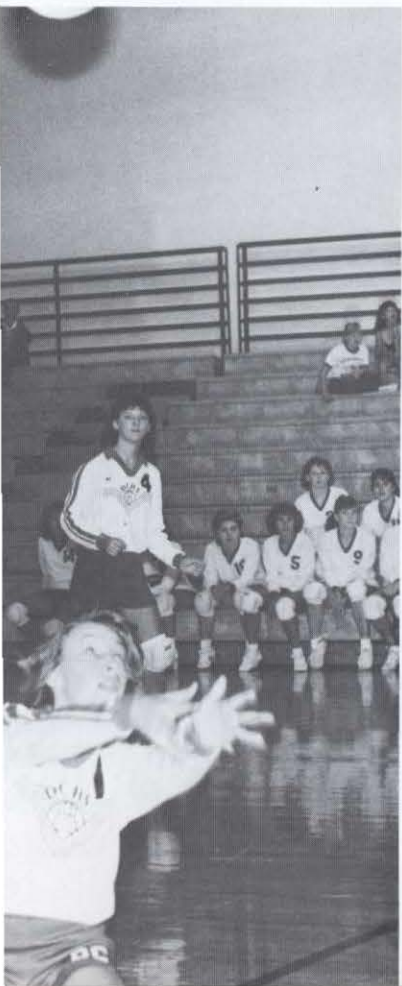
The junior varsity football team also had some trouble but showed improvement over the previous year. "After two disappointing JV seasons, I think the kids finally realized that they could be a good team. They played hard and deserved to win," said JV football coach Tony

Weinandt.

The JV's first two losses came against Columbus Lakeview and Raymond Central. But, they came back in the third game and defeated Fullerton, 19-0. The JV's lost the next two games to the Lakeview freshmen and Stromsburg. In the final game, the JV's came back from a 15 point deficit in the fourth quarter to defeat Central City in overtime, 28-27.

"It was a great game against Central City. We were finally fired up and wanted to win," said freshman Jeff Arnold.

Though the JV's ended with a 2-4 record, Coach Weinandt felt they worked hard during the season and saw potential for the future. "The team needs to remember how hard they worked in that last game and what it took to win. They can be a good varsity team next year," said Coach Weinandt.





Good attitudes and hustle not enough to get team past first round of playoffs

# Team finishes year at 7-3

"Winning is not all important . . ." — Kevin Kopecky

**V**arsity worked well together as a team. No one was selfish. We didn't care who scored or gained the most yards, as long as we won the game," said senior quarterback Brad Howe.

The Scouts worked together and accomplished many of their goals. They began the season with a 14-6 victory over Osceola, made it to the state playoffs, and finished the season with a 7-3 record.

After winning the season opener against Osceola, the Scouts suffered a heartbreaking loss to Stromsburg, 9-10 in overtime. But, the Scouts were to bounce back with four strong wins over Nebraska Lutheran, who forfeited, Fullerton, Arlington, and East Butler who were defeated 35-0, 49-14, and 35-6, respectively.

The second loss of the season was to come from Shelby, 12-20. However, the Scouts recovered and came to defeat their next two oppo-

nents, Genoa, 20-6, and Class B's St. Paul, 13-12.

"The St. Paul game was important because we played fairly well and winning that game set us up for the playoffs," said senior Mike Koehn. With the victory over St. Paul, the Scouts made state playoffs for the fourth consecutive year.

"Winning is not all important, but if we lose, we will lose only after giving it everything we've got," said head coach Kevin Kopecky. Against Tri-County in the first round of playoffs, however, the Scouts lost, 6-20.

The team had set goals and achieved many of them. "Our seniors very much wanted to be 7-2 and make the state playoffs. We achieved both of these goals and that makes these seniors the winningest class in DCHS football history," said Kopecky.



**Football team members** are (Front Row): Brian Palik, Mike Koehn, Jamy Sloup, Darin Kotil, Kurt Schaecher, Dean DeWispelare, Brad Howe, Keith Kampschnieder, Ron Havlovic (Second Row): Mike Sloup, student manager; Mark Egger, Curt Duer, Jason Masek, Bill Remmers, Bill Elton, Chris Hutchinson, Mark Wynegar, Karl Kwapnoski, Kory Kuhlman, student manager (Third Row): Justin Luckey, student manager; Mike Tietz, Kurt Kuhlman, Chris Butler, Bob Ferris, Scott Dallegge, Mike Heins, Shawn Robins, Mark White, John Deacy (Fourth Row): Craig Yonda, Duane Shockley, Chad Townsend, Jeff Gray, Jess Zegers, Scott Laurerbach, Eric Berzen, Scott Hoeft, Allan Pohl, Jeff Arnold (Fifth Row): Brian Pracek, Brian Muntz, Jason Lange, John Brabec, Joel Lavicky, Eddie Jarrett, Troy Gray, Jim Sabata, Brian Coufal,



Ryan Townsend (Back Row): Assistant Coach Tony Weinandt, Head Coach Kevin Kopecky, and Assistant Coach Joe Horky.





Gaining yards to help defeat St. Paul is senior Mike Koehn (22). Blocking for Koehn is senior Ron Havlovic (76). With the win, the Scouts made the playoffs for the fourth consecutive year.

Looking for a way to dodge an oncoming tackle by Tri-County is senior quarterback Brad Howe (11). The Scouts were defeated by Tri-County in the first round of playoffs, 6-20.



St. Paul opponent is tackled by Kurt Schaefer (41) and Mike Koehn (22). Assisting are Kurt White (80), Darin Kotil (62), and Ron Havlovic.

#### Varsity Football

*Osceola	14-6
Stromsburg	9-10 (OT)
*Nebraska Lutheran	1-0 (Forfeit)
*Fullerton	35-0
*Arlington	49-14
*East Butler	35-6
Shelby	12-20
*Genoa	20-6
*St. Paul	13-12
State Playoffs	
DeWitt Tri-County	6-20

#### Honors

All Conference 1st team — Mike Heins, Mike Koehn, Darin Kotil  
Honorable Mention — Dean DeWispelare, Ron Havlovic, Brad Howe, Kurt Schaecher

All State 1st team — Mike Heins, World-Herald Honorable Mention — Darin Kotil, Omaha World-Herald/Lincoln Journal, Kurt Schaecher, Omaha World-Herald/Lincoln Journal

Academic All State Honorable Mention — Dean DeWispelare



Setting a block for Kurt Schaecher (41) against Genoa is junior Curt Duer (30).

Good attitude and motivation keeps team spirit up until the final game

## Season brings improvement



*"Even though our record didn't show it, we improved." — Sharon Allen*

**W**e were a team that never quit and one that continued to improve," said girls basketball coach Don Sackett.

The team ended the season not just with a losing 5-12 record, but with a number of highlights and fond memories.

One highlight of the season came with the team's first win of the season. David City beat St. Paul in the Holiday Tournament to place third.

One loss and two wins followed the Holiday Tournament before the Lady Scouts faced second-rated Osceola in the first round of the conference tournament. The Scouts lost by fourteen but came back in regular season play and narrowed the margin to within eight points. "I remember the game against Osceola because we almost stuck it to the second-rated team in the state," said sophomore Tracy Scholz.

The team ended their season with a 5-12 record and a loss to Cen-

tennial in the finals of the subdistrict tournament. But, this happened only after a big win over first-seeded Malcolm in the first round. "We played better than we ever had before," said junior Shelly Behrns. The Scouts knocked off the first seed, 51-43.

The Lady Scouts had only twelve members. "Our small number caused us to remain close, and even though our record didn't show it, we improved," said senior Sharon Allen.

The team had a great attitude and a lot of fun. "They were a great group of girls to work with. I couldn't ask for a better group in my first year," said their new assistant coach Joe Horky.

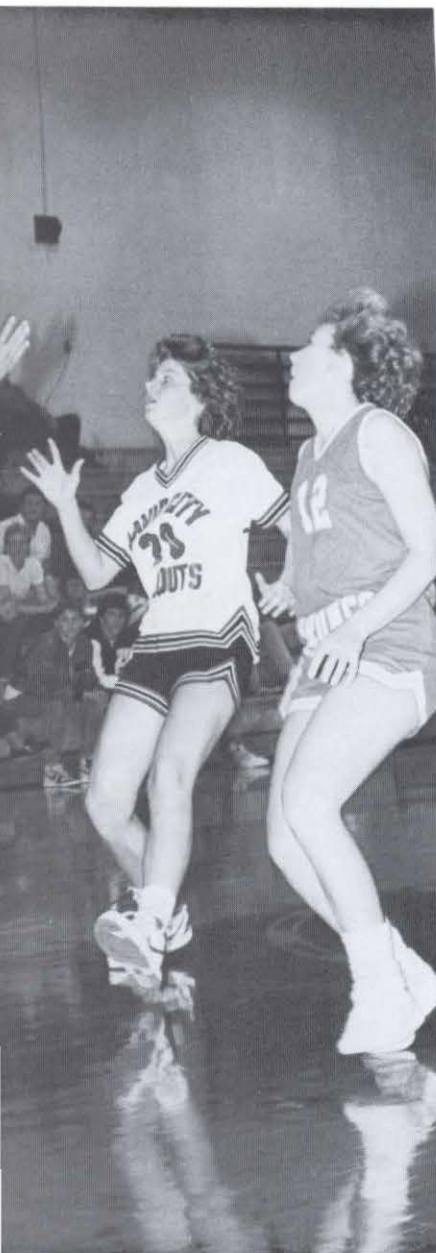
Several team members were honored at the end of the season. Receiving All-Conference Honorable Mention awards were Bridget Birkel, Shelly Behrns, and Tracy Scholz. Bridget Birkel also made the All Star Team.



Girls varsity basketball members are (Front Row): Erica Bjorkback, Danyelle Korus, managers; Josephine Gulzow, Christi Birkel, Michelle Taylor; Dawn Chubb, Charity Per-dew, managers (Back Row): Assistant Coach Joe Horky, Tracy Scholz, Lisa Ostermeier, Sharon Allen, Mindy Grotelueschen, Shelly Behrns, Lori High, Jackie Romshek, Stacy Brandenburg, and Head Coach Don Sackett.







**Fighting for the ball** during the Holiday Tournament is sophomore Tracy Scholz (12) while senior Mindy Groteleschen (20) waits to help. The Scouts placed third in the tournament.

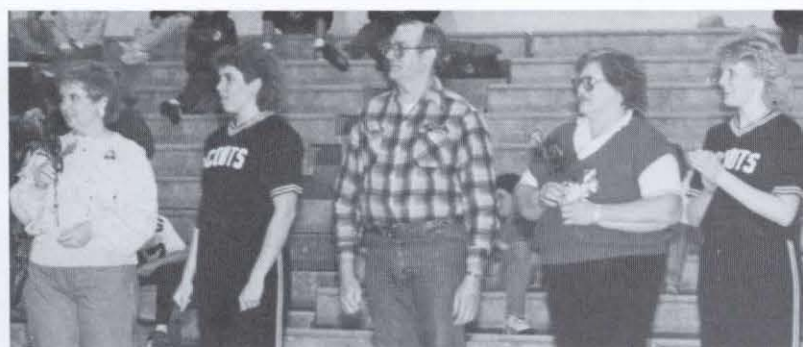
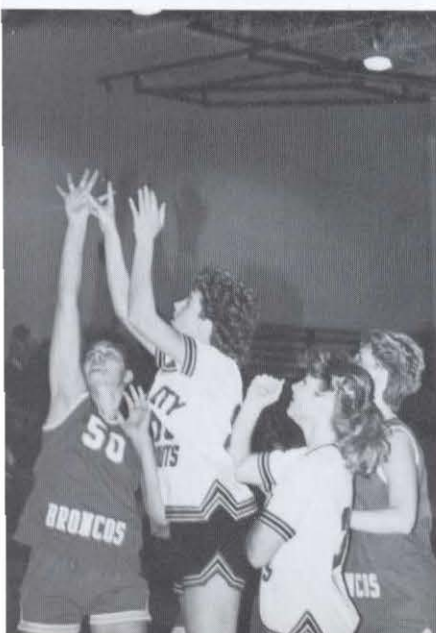
**Trying to break** the press against Shelby are seniors Sharon Allen (40) and Josephine Gultzow (10). The Scouts lost the Parents Night game, 52-63.



Girls Varsity Basketball (Record 5-12)	
Centennial	44-62
Wahoo	28-71
East Butler	32-64
Schuyler	49-58
Fullerton	42-53
Holiday Tournament	
Centennial	43-63
*Sr. Paul	54-48
Lakeview	37-67
*Genoa	48-42
*Ne. Lutheran	55-51
Conference Tournament	
Osceola	53-67
Osceola	59-67
Shelby	52-63
*Millford	60-43
Stromsburg	47-56
Sub-District Tournament	
*Malcolm	51-43
Centennial	39-54



**Playing tough defense** against the Broncos is senior Bridget Birkel. She led all scorers with 16 points.



**Going up for a shot** to score one of her ten points against Centennial is Mindy Groteleschen while junior Shelly Behrns awaits the outcome.

**Being introduced** are the seniors and their parents on Parents Night. Pictured are Mary Ann Birkel, Bridget Birkel, Jim and Donna Allen, and Sharon Allen.

Trying for a breakaway lay-up is freshman Jeff Arnold (22) while sophomore Chad Townsend prepares to rebound.

Taking the ball down the court against Shelby is freshman Lori High. Michelle Taylor looks for the open pass while sophomore Lisa Ostermeier heads down court. The Lady JV's lost 31-33.

#### JV Girls Basketball (Record 5-7)

Centennial	23-26
*East Butler	35-33
Schuyler	20-32
Lakeview	17-44
Genoa	24-32
*Wahoo	38-37
*Osceola	41-34
Shelby	31-33
*Milford	32-25
Stromsburg	26-37
Tournament	
Shelby	31-46
*Polk-Hardville	28-23



Shooting for two against East Butler is Michelle Taylor. The Scouts won the game 35-33 with only four players.

#### JV Boys Basketball (Record 5-7)

Wahoo	27-68
*East Butler	53-42
Schuyler	42-62
Lakeview	48-88
Genoa	50-52
*Milford	59-58
Centennial	36-48
*Osceola	61-55
Shelby	58-72
*Stromsburg	56-51
Bellevue Christian	50-56
*Mead	46-42

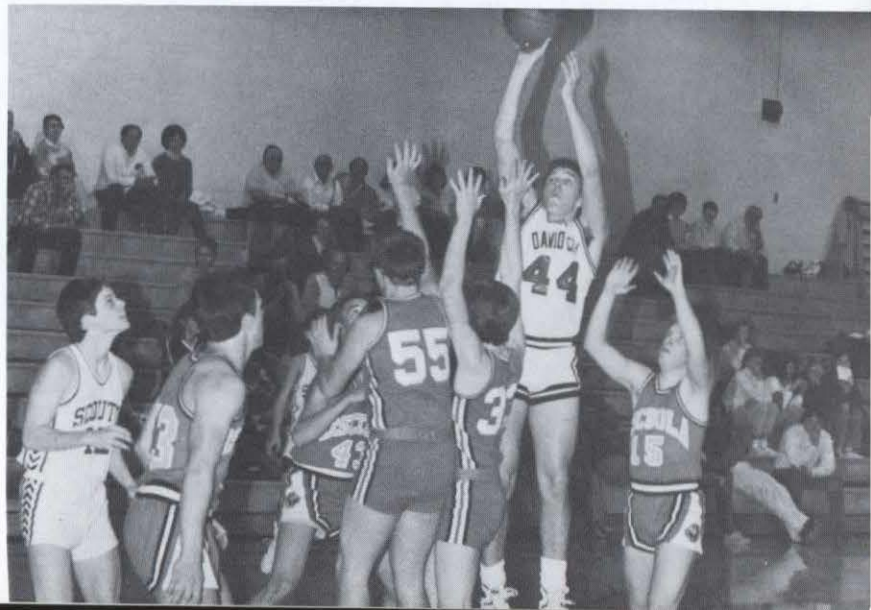


A fast break was part of freshman L.J. Eberly's plan during the DC Invitational Tournament.

#### Freshman Boys Basketball (Record 2-5)

Schuyler	31-42
Wahoo	44-59
DC Tournament	
Milford	31-37
St. John's	36-38
*East Butler	60-53
*Columbus	47-46
Seward Tournament	
Lakeview	41-66

Towering above the Osceola players is Chris Butler (44) while sophomore Bill Elton awaits the outcome of the shot. The junior varsity beat Osceola 61-55.

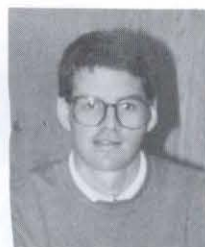






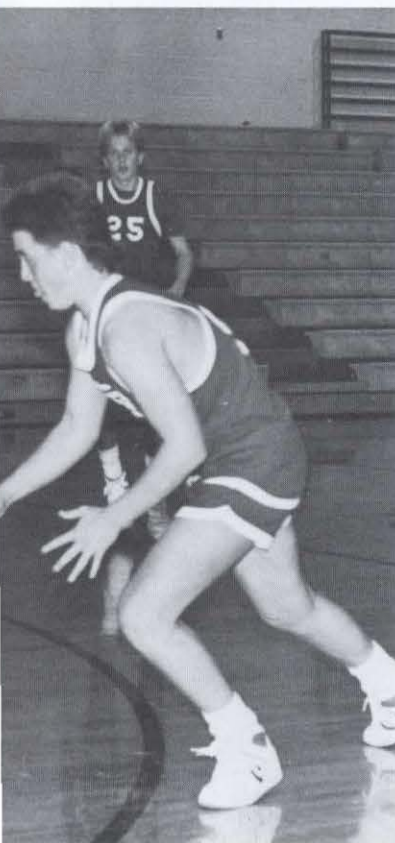
by Mindy Grotelueschen

Eager players make season worthwhile but mention need for some improvement



## Teams willing to work hard

*"The team was willing to work hard to improve."  
— Joe Horky*



The season records for the boys and girls junior varsity and freshman basketball teams were respectable. Hard work, improvement, and several happenings during the seasons were highlighted by the teams.

The JV Lady Scouts had a 5-7 record. Although they ended with a losing record, the team always tried to improve.

The team was under the direction of a new coach, Mr. Joe Horky. "The team was few in number, but very fun to work with and were willing to work hard to improve," said Coach Horky.

The season left the players with several highlights to remember. "The best game was playing with only four people and beating East Butler by two points," said sophomore Stacy Brandenburg.

The boys JV basketball team also ended with a season record of 5-7. With only one win in their first five games, the season seemed somewhat bleak until the Milford game. "The Milford game was a turning point in the season. We came back from a down and found out what it took to win," said Coach Steve Cruickshank.

"Everyone started to work together at the end of the season. Inside shooting and rebounding were two of our major strengths," said freshman Jeff Arnold.

The freshman boys had a rough season starting out with four straight losses. Those losses included a fourth place finish in the DC Invitational Tournament. But after the tournament, the team came on to win their next two games against East Butler and Columbus. Their season ended with a loss in the first round of the freshman tournament in Seward to the Lakeview Vikings. The frosh compiled a 2-5 record.

**Tough defense** is practiced by freshman Jason Lange while L. J. Eberly looks on in the DC Invite. The Scouts lost to St. John's, 36-38.



Junior varsity and freshman boys basketball members are (Front): Tim Rathjen, Jason Lange, Chad Townsend, Robbie Svoboda, L.J. Eberly (Back): Coach Tony Weinandt, Mike Brown, John Steager, Kamron Grubough, Bill Elton, and Coach Steve Cruickshank.



**Team effort and enthusiasm keep Scouts fired up throughout winning season**

## Emotion helps win games



*"We were at a great height disadvantage."  
— Brad Howe.*

Enthusiasm for another successful year was high as the boys basketball team started their season.

Despite their enthusiasm, the cagers started off on the wrong foot with a 60-31 loss to pre-season rated Wahoo.

From then on the Scouts had a rough time keeping the wins going, but they kept a good attitude, won some important games, and finished the year with a winning 13-8 record.

"Beating Lakeview was a highlight. They were rated in Class B at the time and it was a total team effort," said Coach Tony Weinandt. "We were at a great height disadvantage," added senior Brad Howe. David City defeated Lakeview 48-43.

A big disappointment was losing the championship game of the David City Holiday Tournament by one point to Fremont Bergan. But this loss was followed by a five game winning streak that was later halted by the loss to East Butler in the champi-

onship game of the conference tournament.

After the conference tournament, the Scouts again experienced some ups and downs. The effort and enthusiasm were still present though.

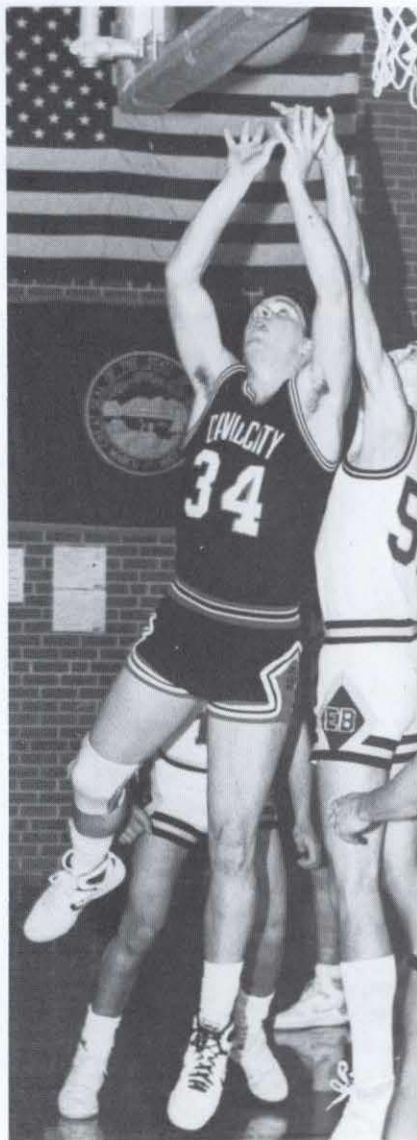
Subdistricts time came. In the first round the Scouts faced city rival Aquinas. Emotion was high and the crowd was fired up. In a close match, the Scouts pulled off a 50-49 win in overtime.

"The Aquinas game was very emotional. Neither team gave up. Our kids kept their poise and Kurt (Schaecher) made a very big basket at the end," said Coach Weinandt.

The next night against Centennial, the Scouts played well but lost the game by four points. The team ended their season at 13-8.

"The team had its moments and overall it was a productive season. I had fun," said senior Darin Kotil.

In the finals of the conference tournament, senior Darin Kotil (34) attempts a shot against rough East Butler defenders. The Scouts lost a close match.



Boys varsity basketball members are (Front Row): Carrie Hain, student manager; Kurt Schaecher, Keith Kampschnieder, Darin Kotil, Brad Howe, Mike Koehn, Mike Sloup, student manager (Back Row): Candi Daro, student manager; Head Coach Tony Weinandt, Jeff Arnold, Mike Heins, Chris Butler, Scott Dallegge, Chad Townsend, Assistant Coach Steve Cruickshank, and Susie Hain, student manager.

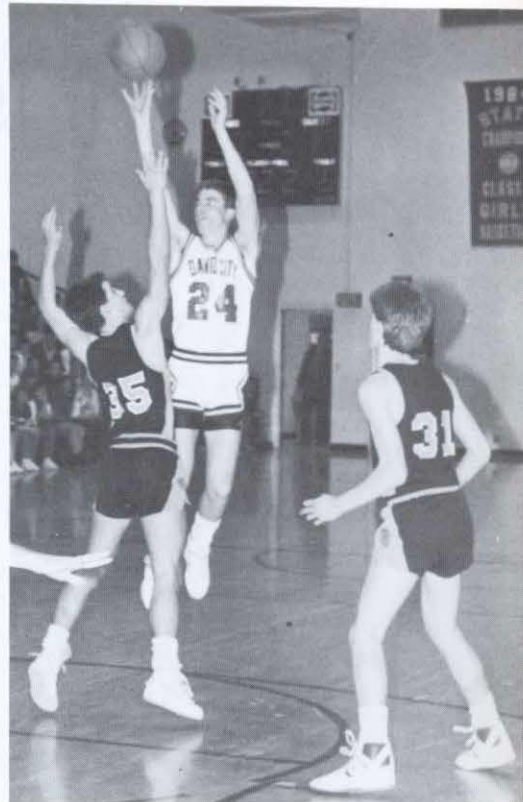






Going up for two is junior Mike Heins (32) while senior Brad Howe (24) prepares for defense. The Scouts squeezed by Aquinas 50-49 in overtime in the first round of the subdistrict tournament.

Shooting over an Aquinas opponent is senior Brad Howe. Howe led the team scoring during the season.



The rebound is pulled down by senior Keith Campsnyder as senior Kurt Schaecher assists. The Scouts lost to Wahoo 31-60.

#### Varsity Boys Basketball (Record 13-8)

Wahoo	31-60
*East Butler	57-54
Schuyler	39-52
*Fullerton	66-55
*Lakeview	48-43
DC Holiday Tournament	
*St. Paul	70-48
Fremont Bergan	48-49
*Genoa	62-40
*Milford	58-53
*Nebr. Lutheran	53-42
*Stromsburg	64-46
Central Eight Conf. Tourn.	
*Shelby	46-42
East Butler	52-59
Centennial	58-61
Osceola	53-64
*Shelby	63-57
*Stromsburg	82-73
*Bellevue Christian	64-50
Mead	62-77
Subdistrict Tournament	
*Aquinas	50-49 OT
Centennial	45-49

#### Honors

All Conference: Brad Howe, 1st team; Kurt Schaecher, second team Honorable Mention All State and Academic All State, Brad Howe



In the season opener senior Mike Koehn shoots for two against Wahoo.



Lack of depth, experience don't prevent team from having a successful season

# Wrestlers meet main goals

*"It was a learning year."*  
— Bill Remmers

Taking five wrestlers to state was one of the main goals accomplished by the wrestling team. The five were freshmen Greg Lanc and Jim Sabata, sophomore Kurt Kuhlman, and juniors Bill Remmers and Shane O'Dell. Of the five, Kuhlman placed third at state. "I wanted to place higher than I did last year," said Kuhlman who placed fifth the previous year.

In Lincoln Kuhlman won against Matthew Held from Neleigh 6-0 which moved him to the semifinals. In the semifinals Kuhlman lost to Travis Childers from Utica, 4-2. The match was tied with only 18 seconds left when Childers scored two points with a reversal to win.

In the conference tournament the wrestling team won the championship with all of the wrestlers placing. "This was one of our goals for the year and we won it," said Coach Gaylen Kamrath.

In getting to state, the DCHS wrestling team placed fourth in districts. Another one of their goals was accomplished.

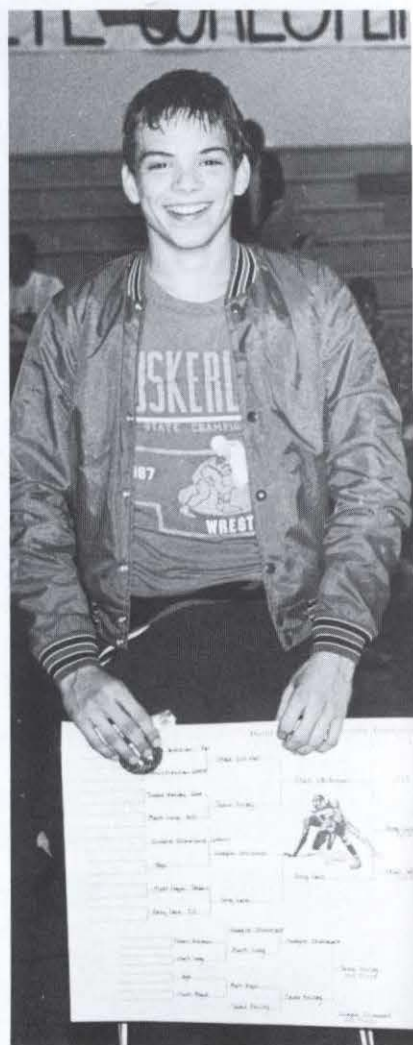
Another accomplishment was achieved by junior Shane O'Dell who set a new record for the most reversals in one season with 34. "We surprised a lot of people appearing with no seniors on our squad," said O'Dell.

The strength of the team was in the lower weights. "We had to get a quick lead or we couldn't compete in the meet," said Kamrath. "The weakness was the inexperience among a majority of our weight classes," added Kamrath.

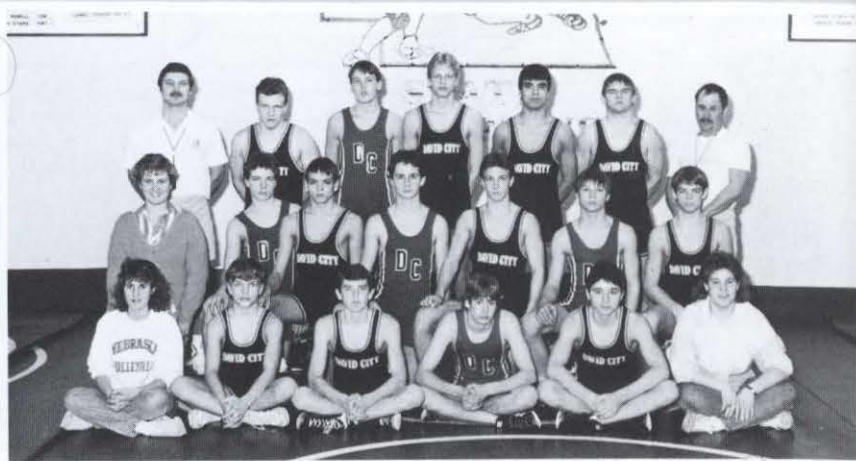
Many goals were accomplished this season, but the team was already looking forward to the next year. "If we work hard over the summer, we will be towards the top next year," said Kuhlman.



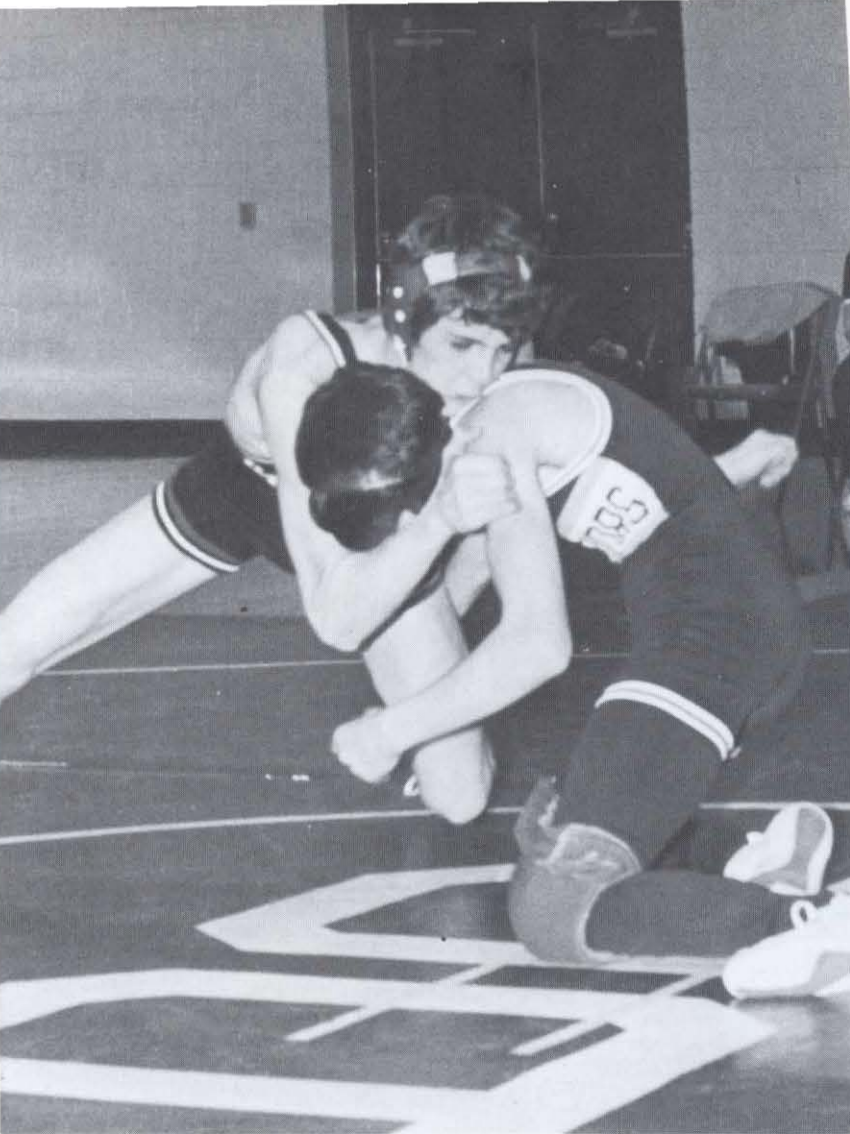
All smiles and expressing that winning feeling is freshman Greg Lanc. Lanc won first place in the 119 lb. division at the David City Invire.



Members of the wrestling team are (Front Row): Heidi Kamrath, student manager; Travis Gray, Kurt Kuhlman, Brian Coufal, Allan Pohl, Tracy Sabata, student manager. (Middle Row): Kari Kuhlman, student manager; Heath Birkel, Greg Lanc, Jess Zegers, Curt Duer, Jake Hopkins, Jim Sabata. (Back Row): Assistant Coach Randy Rech, Jeff Gray, Bill Remmers, Randy Theewen, Shawn Robins, Scott Hoeft, and Head Coach Gaylen Kamrath.

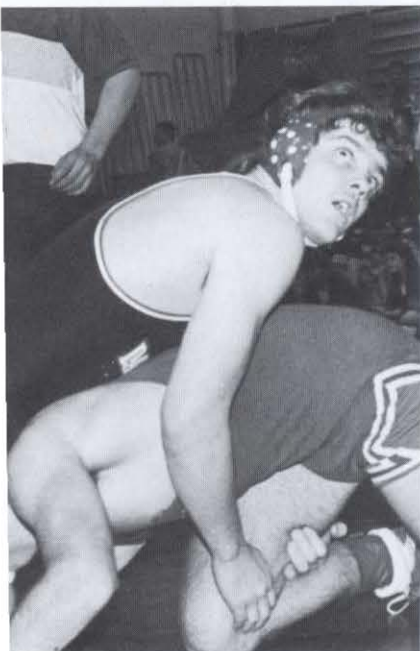
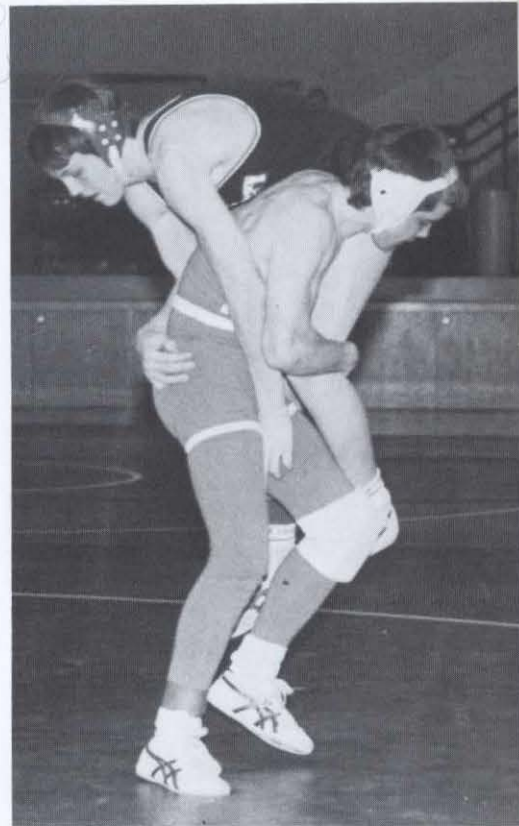




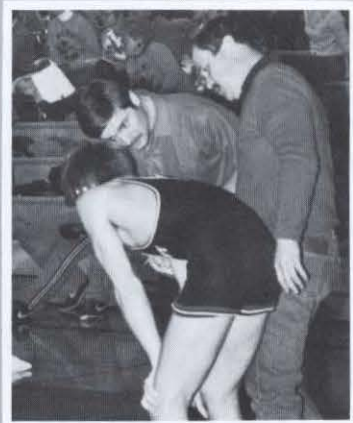


In action is sophomore Kurt Kuhlman as he puts a hold on a Schuyler wrestler. Kuhlman tied in this match. The highlight of his season was placing third in the state tournament.

Up and over is junior Bill Remmers. Remmers pinned his wrestler from Osceola in the second period.



Wrestling Invitionals			
York Invite	92.5	4th	
North Bend Invite	106	4th	
Clarks Invite	78	9th	
Stromsburg Invite	92.5	4th	
David City Invite	91.5	4th	
Grand Island CC	103.5	2nd	
Wrestling Duals Record (6-2)			
*Lakeview		37-36	
*East Butler		42-30	
*Osceola		43-18	
*Stromsburg		48-27	
Schuyler		20-45	
*Millford		37-33	
Albion		30-33	
*Howells		40-36	
Tournaments			
Central Eight Conference	138	1st	
Districts	98	4th	
State	22	25th	



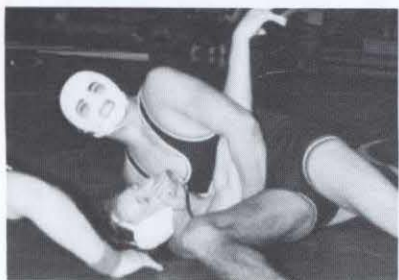
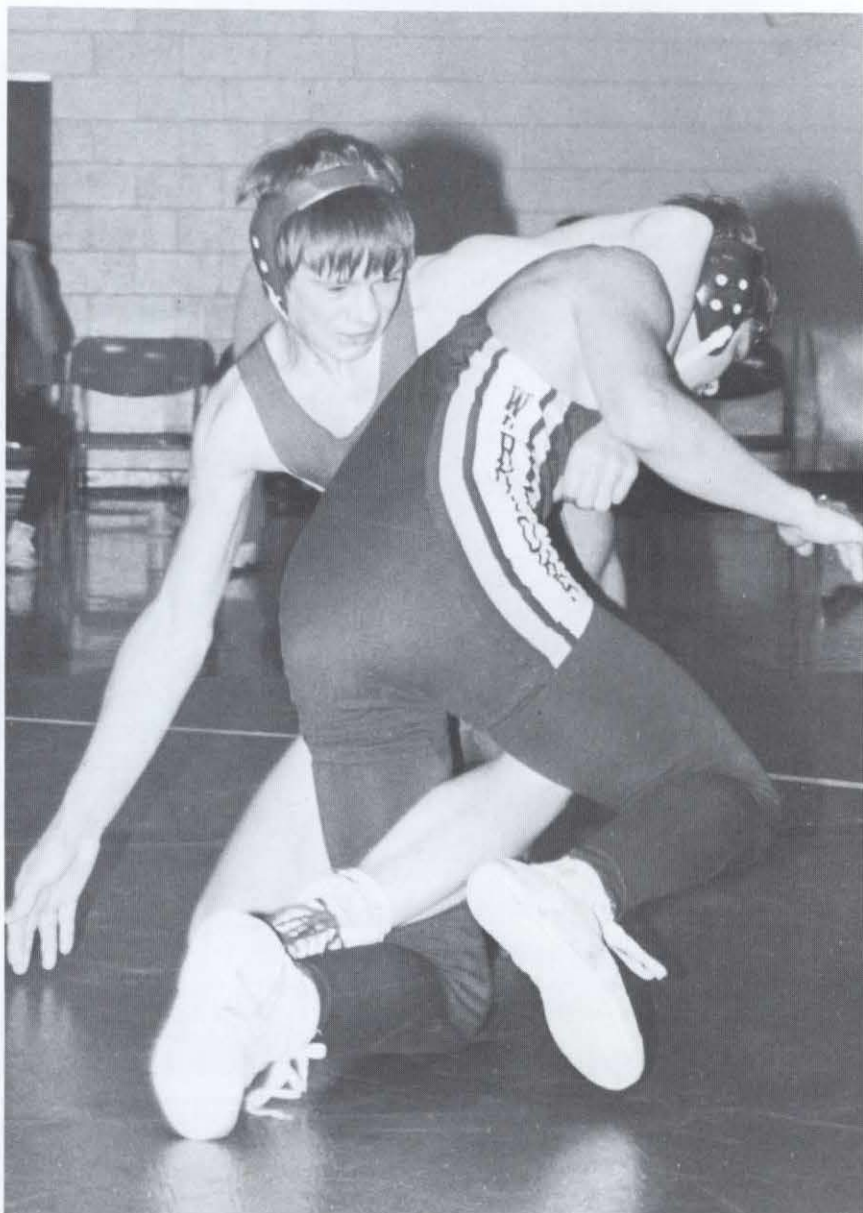
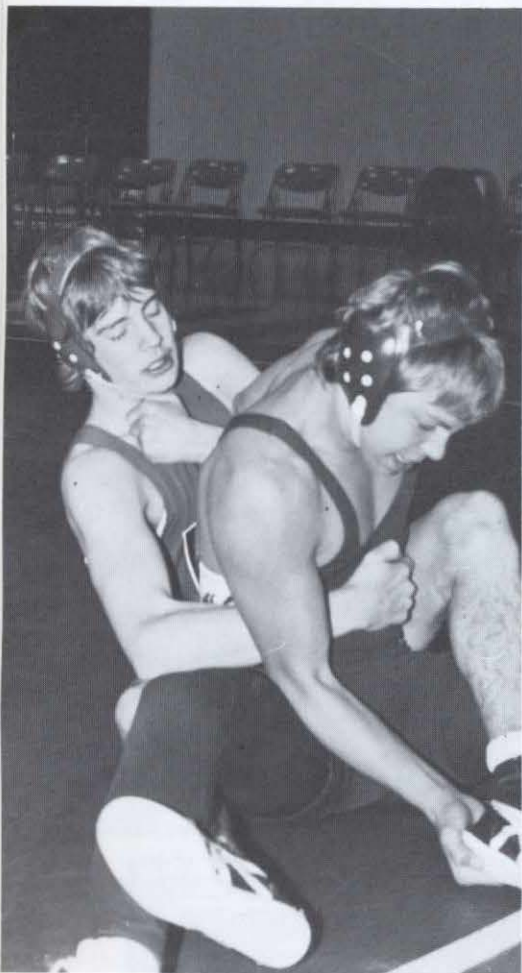
Coaches Rech and Kamrath give a wrestler advice during a time out.

Against a Crete wrestler, junior Shane O'Dell checks the time left in the period.

O'Dell placed first in districts and qualified for state.

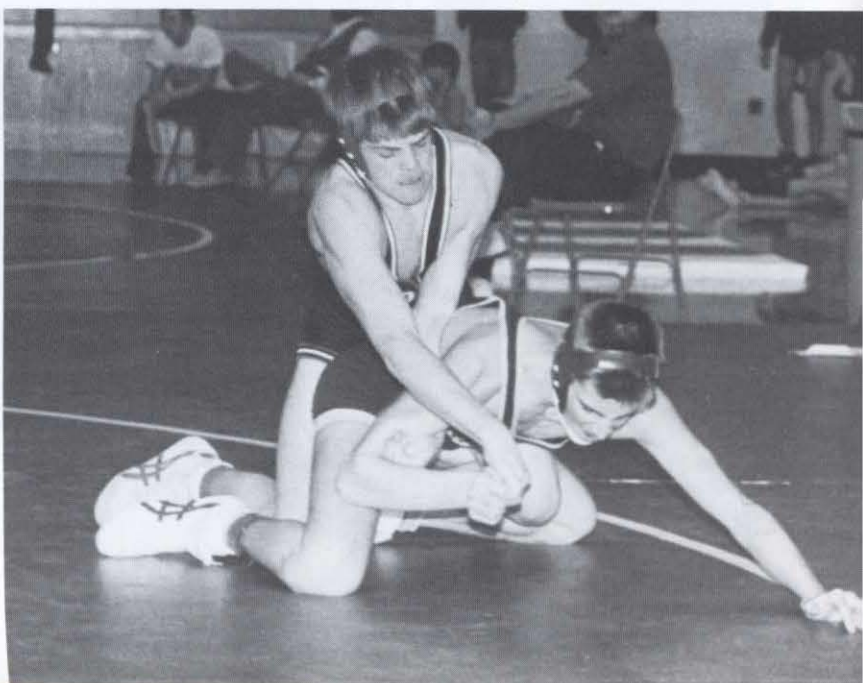
Taking his frustrations out on a Schuyler wrestler is freshman Jake Hopkins. Hopkins won this junior varsity match.

Against a wrestler from Schuyler, sophomore Brian Coufal gives it all he's got. Coufal won this match at the DC Invite.



Sophomore Shawn Robins wears a face mask to protect his mouth from a dental injury.

Beating freshman Jim Sabata in this match is Jay Kocian from East Butler, 3-2. Sabata had a successful season, however, placing second in the district meet and qualifying for state.





## IN FOCUS

What is your favorite sport and why?



"Football because I like watching the guys out there killing each other." — Kris Beringer



"Baseball because I can usually hit home runs." — Eugene Morkert



"Wrestling and football are my favorite sports because of the BOYS!!" — Deanne DeWispelare

Skateboarding was a new fad for DCHS. Showing off on their skateboards are freshmen L.J. Eberly and Jason Lange.



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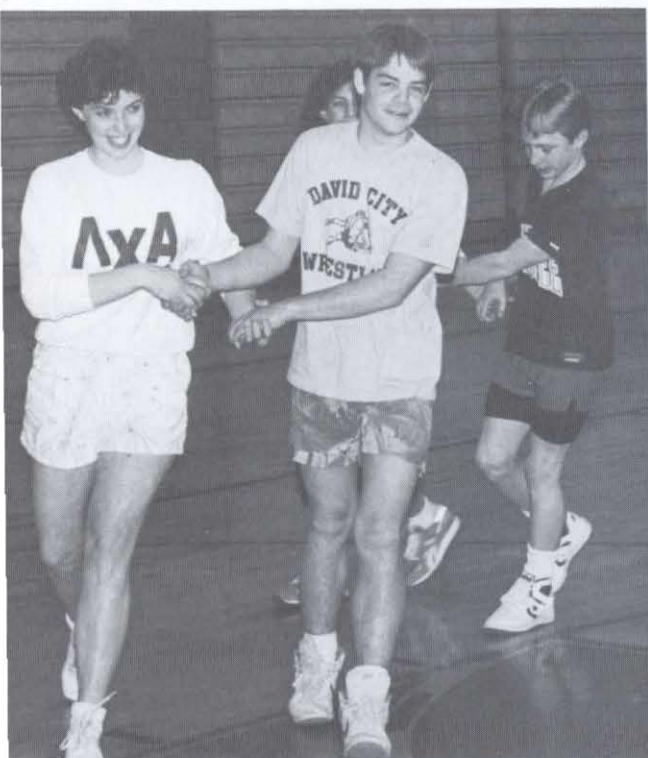
1. **Superbowl XXII:** The Washington Redskins beat the Denver Broncos 42-10 in Superbowl XXII.

2. **OSU Wins:** The Nebraska Football team recorded their first loss of the season to the Oklahoma Sooners.

3. **Wellness Center:** A new addition was added to the Butler County Hospital. The Wellness Center offers a variety of exercise methods. It has tread mills, a whirlpool, exercise bikes, weights, and aerobic classes.

4. **Doug Williams:** The Washington Redskins' Doug Williams was the first black quarterback to participate in a Superbowl.

5. **Central 8 Champs:** The UNL women's basketball team became the Central 8 Champs. Maurice Ivy broke the record for most points in a career.



Giving square dancing a try in PE class are freshmen Lori High, Jim Sabara, Jenny Sweney, and Ryan Townsend.

Personal bests and exciting practices help make season worthwhile and fun

# Striving for achievement



*"I have learned a lot and also accomplished a lot." — Diane Pracek*

[[I] knew we graduated a lot of points, so I didn't think we would finish very high in most of the invite meets," said Coach Mona Petersen. Experience was lacking by the girls track team. Only two seniors, Sharon Allen and Mindy Grotelueschen, were out to provide leadership, but with ten letterwinners returning the Scouts worked for achievements and personal bests.

"We had one school record broken and eight individual improvements over last year's best times and distances," said Coach Petersen.

Sophomore Christi Birkel broke the school record in the 300 meter low hurdles. "The old record isn't a particularly fast one for the 300 hurdles, but I was surprised that I was able to break it because this is the first year I've ever run hurdles. If I improve my form, I think I'll be able to lower the record even more," said Birkel.

The team participated in three

invitationals and four meets, competing in only one dual throughout the season. "I was disappointed that we didn't have more small meets. I think we could have lettered a couple more people with one or two more duals or triangulars," said Coach Petersen.

Although the team did not score a lot of points, the season was rewarding and memorable in other ways. Some of the practices were more exciting than others. "Friday night practices were the best because we always heard about Mrs. Stejskal's plans for her hot date to the disco that night!" said sophomore Heidi Kamrath.

Freshman Diane Pracek thought the track season was fun and exciting. "I have learned a lot and also accomplished a lot. Overall, my track season was great!" said Pracek.



Girls track team members are (Front Row): Keri Kamrath, Trish Thoendel, Tracy Sabara, Mindy Grotelueschen, Sharon Allen (Middle Row): Jennifer Kabourek, Lynn Kozisek, Lisa Ostermeier, André Mick, Paula Ehlers, Christi Birkel (Back Row): Jenny Sweney, Stacy Brandenburgh, Heidi Kamrath, Kim Svoboda, Leslie Niemann, and Diane Pracek. Not pictured are Coaches Mona Petersen and Lori Niemack-Stejskal.







Setting her pace in the two-mile run at the Centennial Invire is junior Keri Kamrath. Kamrath placed sixth in this event.

Ready to run her split in the 1600 meter relay is senior Mindy Grotelueschen as sophomore Christi Birkel hands off the baton.



#### Girls Track

Osceola Relays	11th	15
Shelby Invire	4th	48
Knights of Columbus	7th	20
Centennial Invire	9th	16 1/2
Lakeview Invire	9th	4
Malcolm/Genoa	3rd	42
Triangular		
Conference Meet	8th	6
District Meet	10th	8

Competing in the steeple chase at the Lakeview Invire is senior Sharon Allen. This was the only meet which featured this event.



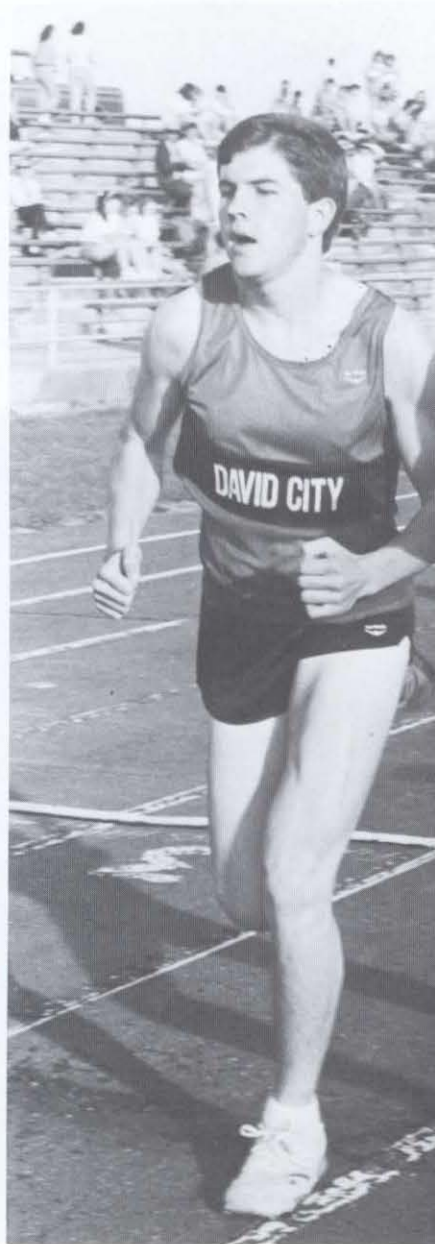
With determination sophomore Lynn Kozisek clears the 100 meter low hurdles in a home triangular with Genoa and Malcolm.

At the Knights of Columbus Invire junior Tracy Sabo concentrates on throwing the discus.

At Osceola, sophomore Troy Gray warms up before competing in the shotput.



In the long jump event at Centennial, senior Keith Kampschnieder leaps in the air as he strives for distance.



#### Boys Track

Daane Indoor	12th	16
Osceola Relays	9th	30
Shelby Invite	7th	32
Knights of Columbus	6th	23
Centennial Invite	8th	44
Lakeview Invite	7th	33
Genoa/Malcolm Tri.	2nd	88 1/2
Conference Meer	3rd	72
District Meet	7th	25

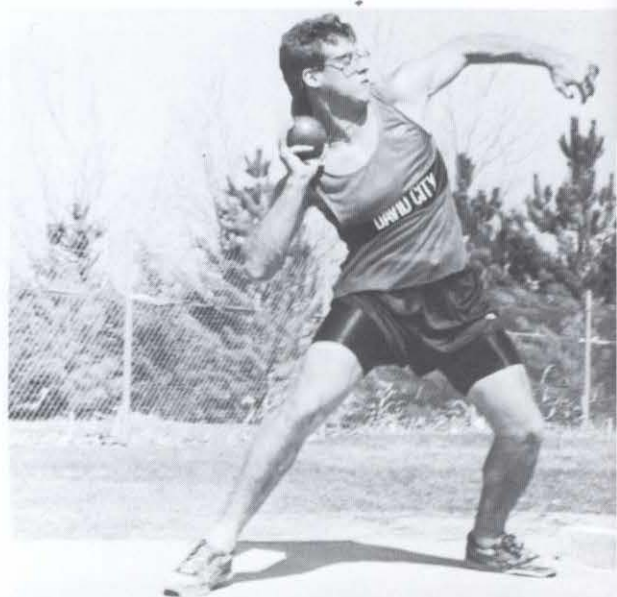


Freshman Jason Lange runs all by himself in a relay. Lange broke the freshman record in the 1600 meter run.

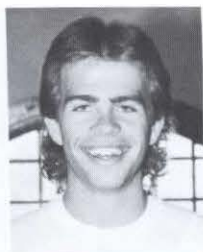
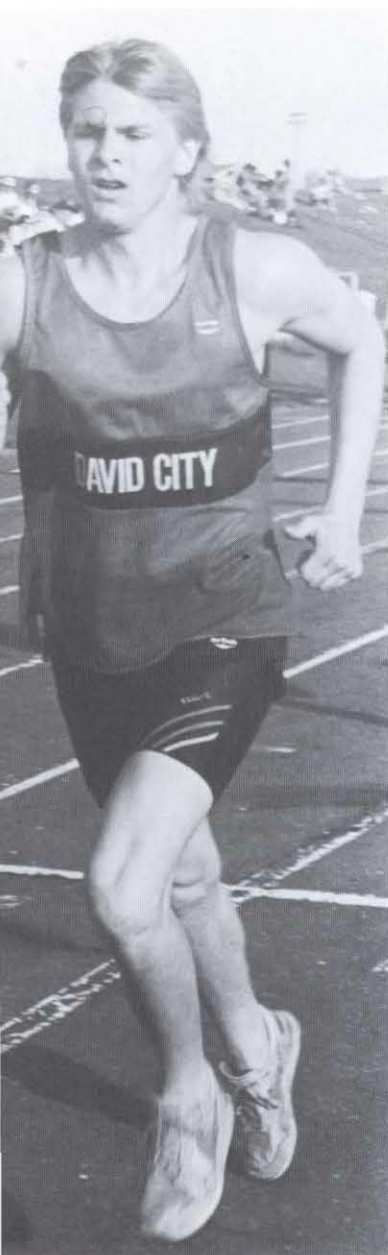


Just crossing the finish line ahead of his Malcolm and Genoa opponents in the 100 yard dash is junior Mike Heins. Heins won this event.

Ready to throw the shot is senior Kurt Schaecher. Schaecher placed fourth in the event at the district meet in Osceola.







by Lanett Newhouse

Senior leadership proves to be helpful  
as team builds experience and attitude

## Coach praises good season

"... our small numbers  
were pretty big." —  
Keith Kampschnieder

Finishing in third place with 72 points in the conference tournament was mentioned as being the highlight of the boys track season.

"The whole team competed with a great attitude. We finished third overall and beat three teams that had beaten us earlier in the year," said Coach Tony Weinandt.

Throughout the season the team's major goal was for everyone to improve each week. The coach felt the practices went well including a few tough practices that the guys worked at with good attitudes. "The season was a very enjoyable one. The guys were great to work with," said Weinandt.

The senior leadership was excellent according to Weinandt. The three seniors on the team were Brad Howe, Keith Kampschnieder, and Kurt Schaecher. "Brad, Keith, and

Kurt all had outstanding seasons in regard to leadership and improvement," said Weinandt.

Even though no one qualified for the state track meet, the two-mile relay team came close. The relay was run by Keith Kampschnieder, Kurt Schaecher, Brad Howe, and Shawn Robins. "I thought that the team did really great for the number of people we had out. Placing third in the conference meet with only seven people scoring a total of 72 points showed that our small numbers were pretty big," said senior Keith Kampschnieder.

Two individuals set new freshman records. Jeff Arnold set a record of 19' 6½" in the long jump. Jason Lange also set a record in the 1600 meter run with a time of 4:51.2.

Junior Mike Heins was the leading point getter during the season with 78¼ points.

Running the Open 800 at Lakeview are juniors Mark Wynegar and Mark White.



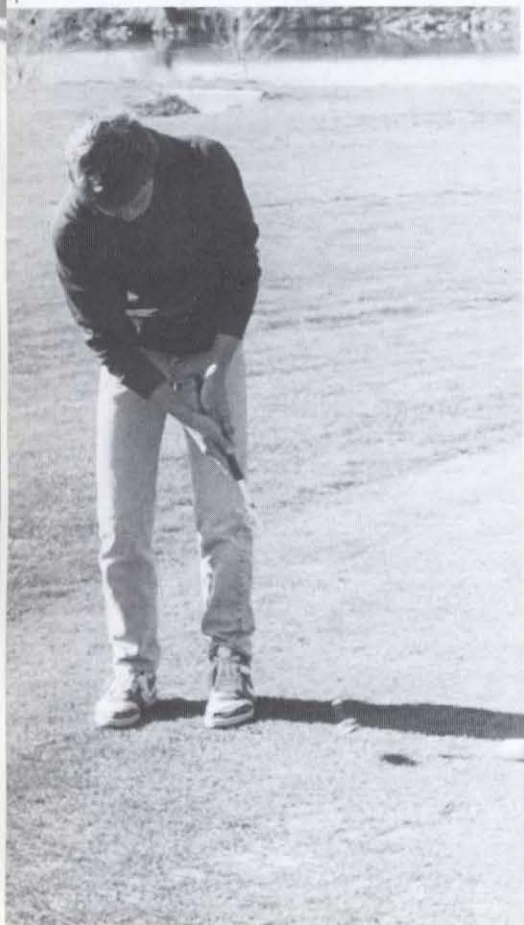
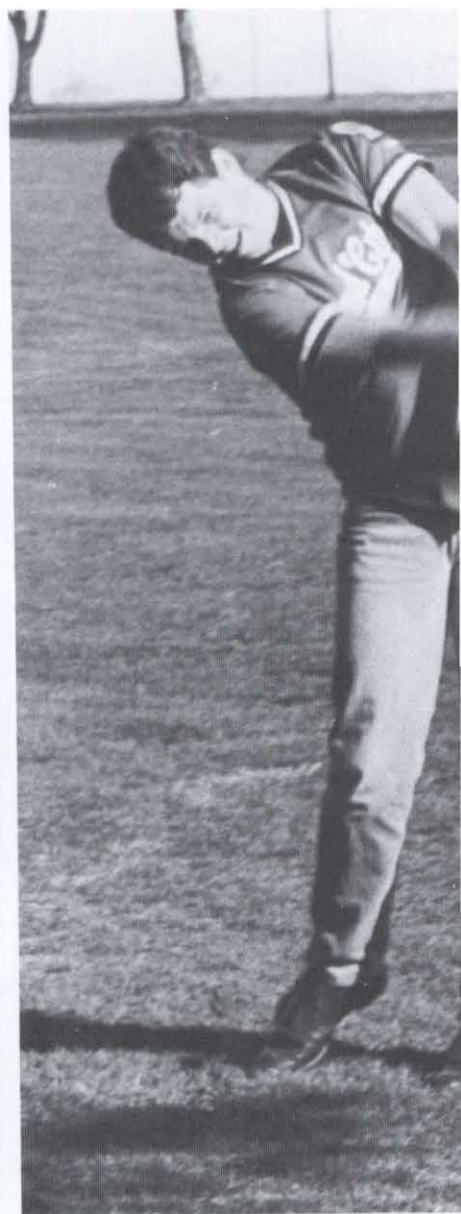
**Boys track team** members are (Front Row): Mike Heins, Kurt Schaecher, Keith Kampschnieder, Brad Howe, Mark Wynegar, Mark White (Middle Row): Ryan Townsend, Jason Lange, Scott Lauterbach, Jeff Arnold, Jason Masek, Heath Birke (Back Row): Assistant Coach Kevin Kopecky, Duane Shockley, Troy Gray, Brian Pracek, and Head Coach Tony Weinandt.

Lining up the ball to the hole before putting is junior Chris Butler, a member of the varsity team.



Giving his all, senior Darin Kotil drives the ball down the course. Kotil was the only member of the team who went to state.

Keeping his head down, L.J. Eberly follows through on his swing. As a freshman, Eberly placed sixth in the DC Invire and third at the Palmyra Invire in varsity competition.



Concentrating on a perfect putt is sophomore Kurt Kuhlman. Kuhlman placed tenth at the district meet with a score of 83.

#### Duals

Schuyler	181	181
*Lakeview	161	175
*Cedar Bluffs	168	194
*Seward	163	170
*Wahoo	160	177
Scotus	160	160

#### Tournaments

Geneva Invire	11th	381
Tri-Country Invire	2nd	345
Tri-Cnty. Res. Inv.	8th	397
David City Invire	2nd	330
DC Reserve Invire	8th	403
*Palmyra Invire	1st	352
Palmyra Res. Invire	2nd	397
Wayne Invire	7th	370
District Meet	4th	359



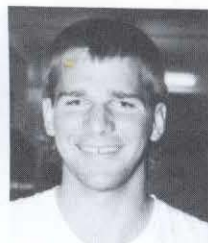
Getting psyched before tee-off is senior Dean DeWispelare. DeWispelare's strongest finish was fourth place at the David City Invire.



by Amy Lange

Golfers fall short by one stroke of meeting team goal of going to state

## Hopes crushed at district



*"We were a pretty sound team until districts." — Dean DeWispelare*

**I**'m disappointed our team didn't make it to state, but I'm glad I got to go since it was my senior year," said Darin Kotil. After finishing sixth at the district meet with an 81 and qualifying individually for state, Kotil went on to place 13th out of 88 golfers at state. He also broke a school record for the most medals won in a career with 16.

Although the team didn't make state, they had a very good year, finishing first at the Palmyra Invite, second at the Tri-County Invite, and second at the David City Invite.

The Scouts finished fourth at the district meet at Oakland, missing qualifying for state by one stroke. "We were a pretty sound team until districts," said senior Dean DeWispelare.

"We didn't all play up to our potential, but still we were only one stroke away from state," said sopho-

more Kurt Kuhlman. Kuhlman earned a tenth place medal at districts by shooting an 83.

Struggling for a position on the varsity team was the main goal for junior varsity golfers. "Our golf team was different because no one had a secure spot on the varsity squad. The varsity was different almost every meet which made it kind of fun," said sophomore Chad Townsend.

The varsity golf team included senior Dean DeWispelare and Darin Kotil, junior Chris Butler, sophomore Kurt Kuhlman, and alternating as the last member were sophomore Chris Hutchinson and freshman L.J. Eberly. Eberly was the fifth member of the team at the district meet.

"I have more hope for our team and for myself for next year," said Kuhlman.



Golf team members are (Front Row): Lori High, Joan Hilger, L. J. Eberly, Kurt Kuhlman, Jason Lawrence, Chad Townsend, Michelle Nickolite (Back Row): Shelly Behrns, Dean DeWispelare, Randy Theewen, Darin Kotil, Chris Butler, Chris Hutchinson, and Coach Randy Rech.



# Unforgettable times

**What was your most memorable event of the year and why?**

*"Prom, because we spent so much time planning and setting up, it was twice as fun to dance!" — Amy From, junior*

*"Homecoming — driving around in the back of Nikki's truck and then stealing the dummy from the other girls." — Denise Kucera, senior*

*"Prom, because it was the first time I went stag. Also, having a limo was really cool because no one had had one before." — Keith Kampschnieder, senior*

Playing the character of the non-courageous lion in the musical, *The Wizard of Oz*, is Linda Clymer. Looking on are Cindy Roubal (Dorothy), Mindy Grotelueschen (Scarecrow), and Chad Meysenburg (Tinman).



The success of the special events during the year depended on much work done behind the scenes. Those doing the work deserved credit. It took character on their part to make the events a special time for others to enjoy.

A lot of hard work, determination, and practice were needed by those who took part in the play, musical, one act, and mock trial. With all the time and effort put forth on these events, they turned out to be a hit.

The dances always are a memorable part of a student's life and this year was no exception. Excitement began at homecoming by beating East Butler in the football game. Setting the mood at the dance was the theme "Why Can't this Night Last Forever."

The seniors in FFA and FHA were all honored at the coronation dance. Also remembered will be the hard work of the juniors in making the prom a success.

Entertainment for prom was started by Mark Wynegar showing a video tape at the banquet of what President Reagan thought of the Class of 1988 at DCHS.

The theme, "Wait Till Midnight," fit perfectly since at midnight promgoers dressed down for the post-prom party. After winning money at night, the big prize winners at the auction were Dean DeWispelare who bought a microwave and Darin Kotil who bought a dorm refrigerator.

The end of the year was very special. The students' outstanding achievements were recognized at several awards night banquets.

For the seniors the most unforgettable time of all was graduation. The 42 graduates had accomplished a lot and were now ready to take their first big step into the future.

The events played a big part in the making of high school memories. They revealed character of a special nature.

**EVENTS**

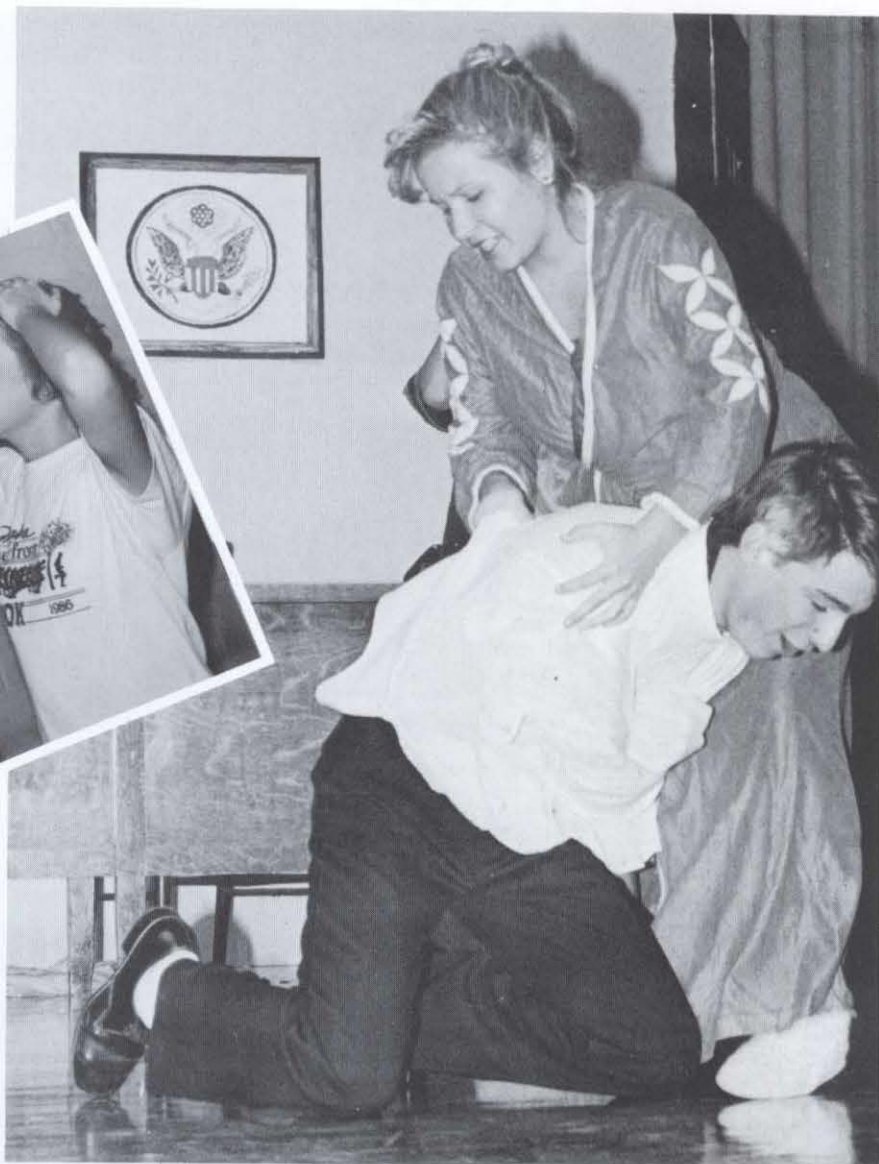
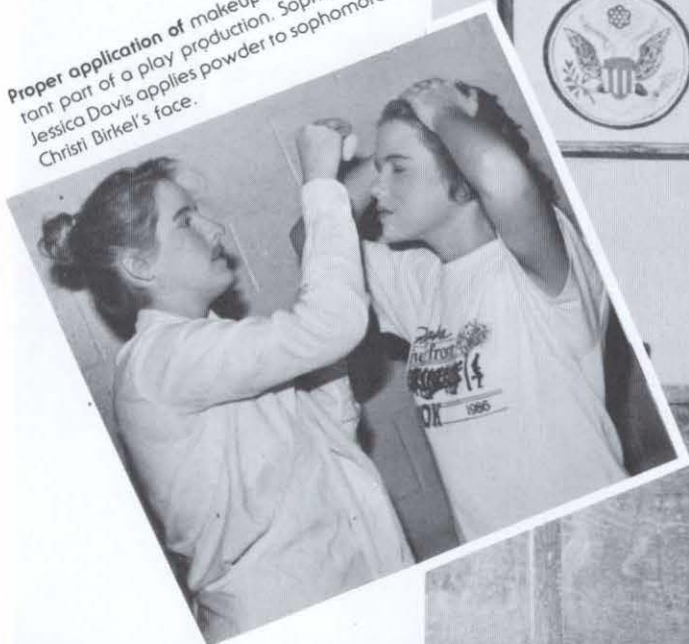




With a little help from an assistant from Jim Frieze Photography, Karl Kuhlman and her date, Bill Buresh, pose in front of the French window background at prom.

Struggling to escape from his straight jacket is Father Drobney (Tim Rathjen) with Marion Hollander's (Pam Brown) assistance.

Proper application of makeup is an important part of a play production. Sophomore Jessica Davis applies powder to sophomore Christi Birkel's face.



With a look of disgust, Walter Hollander (Sheila Davis) talks with the Sultran of Bashir (Jennifer Kabourek).

Thrilled with the thought of leaving the Embassy are Marion (Pam Brown) and Walter Hollander (Sheila Davis) while Axel Magee (Rob Svoboda) and Susan Hollander (Suzi Whitmore) try to convince them to stay.





# UNUSUAL

## Girls play male roles

by Amy Lange

"I hope my real husband is nothing like the character played by Sheila Davis," said junior Pam Brown concerning the all school play **Don't Drink the Water**. The play was performed November 7 and 8.

Because of a lack of boys that tried out for the play, some girls had to play male roles. Senior Sheila Davis played Brown's husband in this comedy. "It was easier to act as a male because you were someone totally unlike yourself. It was challenging but fun," said Davis.

Senior Linda Clymer also played a male in the play. "It was harder playing a man because your actions had to be more masculine and your voice had to sound deeper," Clymer said.

**Don't Drink the Water** was a comedy about an American family being held hostage somewhere behind the Iron Curtain. Their situation and plight to get back home provided the background for the humorous lines and hilarious characters.

"I think the highlight would be when Sheila started to laugh when she used her hand as a gun — 'the flesh-colored 45 with the hair on the knuckles,'" said Mrs. Lora Dion, director.

**Don't Drink the Water** was the first play Mrs. Dion had directed. "She was patient and easy to work with. She didn't expect too much over our abilities," said junior Pam Brown about Mrs. Dion.

As with any play there were difficulties. Memorizing lines, finding practice time, and getting the props to work were several challenges. "We really pulled together the last few days of practice. The play was a lot of fun to do," said Brown.

**Cheering up his injured father** (Linda Clymer) is Axel Magee (Rob Svoboda).

**Eavesdropping on Axel Magee** (Rob Svoboda) is Kilroy (Candi Lostroh).



Cast and crew members are (Front Row): Linda Clymer, Candi Lostroh, Tim Rathjen, Rob Svoboda, Missy Davis (Middle Row): Christi Birkel, Jennifer Kabourek, Pam Brown, Sheila Davis, Dawn Svoboda, Suzi Whitmore (Back Row): Mrs. Lora Dion, director; Jessica Davis, Carol Clymer, Lori High, Mike Brown, Ron Havlovic, Peg Mullenex, and Cindy Roubal. Not pictured is Mike Koehn.

**Hiding while the Embassy is under attack** are Walter, Marion, and Susan Hollander (Sheila Davis, Pam Brown, and Suzi Whitmore).





# DRAMATIC

## Groups learn by performing

by Sheila Jakub

In a serious conversation about the people behind the fence are two members of the psychiatric ward, Candi Lostroh and Cindy Roubal.



Receiving the runnerup award and the naming of Candi Lostroh as best actress at the conference competition were highlights for the one act play cast. At districts, the cast received one excellent and one superior rating. Lostroh and Cindy Roubal were recognized for superior acting.

The play, *Perspective*, was a look at the outside world from a psychiatric ward. "The play was believable and everyone did an excellent job in their roles," said Lora Dion, director.

The mock trial team also did an excellent job in a dramatic situation. As the defendant, DCHS tied York. On the plaintiff side, they lost the performance to Aquinas Team #3. In both trials David City won the decision.

The case was patterned after an actual case facing the U.S. Supreme Court. It concerned the deletion of articles from a high school newspaper by the principal.

"Even though we didn't finish with a great outcome I feel I learned a lot about the judiciary system and court trials," said junior Pam Brown.

"We could have improved our objections and at times we needed more demanding cross exam. The witnesses didn't seem to think they were as important as lawyers, but they are every bit as crucial," said Steve Cruickshank, teacher coach.



Above Middle: Attempting to calm down Cindy Roubal is Linda Clymer. Both were members of the psychiatric ward. Members of the ward talked about the people behind the fence, what was wrong with them, and how they were sick. The patients saw themselves as normal and other people as the ones with problems.

One act play cast members are (Front): Cindy Roubal, Candi Lostroh, Jennifer Kabourek, Suzi Whitmore (Back): Linda Clymer, Missy Davis, and Sheila Davis.







Listening to Dennis Janousek's testimony is Candi Lostroh. The case involved censorship of a high school newspaper.

Following their performance loss to Aquinas, Tracy Sabara, Angie Abel, Dennis Janousek, Shelly Behrns, Pam Brown, and Linda Clymer listen to the judge's critique. David City won the decision.



Mock trial team members are (Front Row): Angie Abel, Shelly Behrns, Candi Lostroh, attorneys; Linda Clymer, witness (Back Row): Mrs. Kristi Griffiths, teacher coach; Tracy Sabara, Amy From, Dennis Janousek, Pam Brown, witnesses; Mr. Steve Cruickshank, teacher coach; and Mr. Bob Bierbower, attorney coach.

Before offering an exhibit into evidence, Angie Abel questions Linda Clymer during the trial against York. David City won the decision and tied in the performance points.

# MAGICAL

Crowds  
pleased  
with  
production

by Lanett Newhouse

Looking a bit dazed while several Munchkin check her out is the Scarecrow (Mindy Grotelueschen).



Three months were spent in preparing the production of **The Wizard of Oz**. Miss Sharon Amsberry, director, said, "There were a lot of costumes because it was a big production. There were also a lot of scene changes, but it went relatively smooth." The musical went so smoothly and turned out to be such a success that it almost seemed magical.

The musical drew large crowds, making enough money to cover the cost of putting on the production. After three months of preparation, **The Wizard of Oz** was presented on March 16, 17, and 18.

The cast members said **Oz** was a fun production to perform. The Munchkins, played by the fifth graders, brought new excitement and challenges to the production. The cast also felt that the large crowds made it worth all the effort. Linda Clymer, who played the cowardly lion, said, "I really had a fun time. It was great having a large audience, for once, and having people dedicated to putting on a good production."

Along with the hustle and bustle of practicing and memorizing lines and of organizing around eighty individuals, there was the rewarding aspect of it all. What was the best part of directing the production? Amsberry said, "It was the last night. Seeing the cast members' reactions to the large and responsive audience was rewarding. The kids were really excited about doing a good job and worked hard. It was nice to have such an incredible crowd that was so appreciative."



Listening intently as the Lion (Linda Clymer) tells his frightening tale are the Scarecrow (Mindy Grotelueschen), the Tinman (Chad Meysenburg), and Dorothy (Cindy Roubal).





Telling the other two witches (Keri Kamrath, left, and Ginger Lostroh, right) about her devious plan to get rid of Dorothy is the Wicked Witch (Candi Lostroh).

Getting the Munchkins to come out wherever they are is the Good Witch (Tammy Wirka) as Dorothy (Cindy Roubal) stands by.



Cast and crew members are (Front Row): Mel McClure, Matt Masek, Jason Dubs, Danny Brown, Jeremy Luedtke, April From, Andrea Meysenburg, Kim Fichtl, Jodi Dubs, Pat Havlovic, Jennifer Novak (Second Row): Justin Riha, Jeff Sweney, Jamie Svoboda, Shannon Townsend, Ann Roberts, Mike Sloup, Mindy Zeilling, Jerry Abel, Reed Erhington, Tony Bell, Jason Leu (Third Row): Marc Thoendel, Kyle Bishop, Eric Svoboda, Angie Reynoldson, Billy McCracken, Chad Smith, Curt Marquis, Jeff Polik, Tracy Cole, Tracy Chollar (Fourth Row): Kathy Brown, Robin Lukassen, Tammy Holeka, Sandra Mills, Jennifer Roberts, Carolyn Gulzow, Carol Clymer, Danielle Souba, Jackie Romshek, Tonya Hopkin (Fifth Row): Paul Schmit, Jamie DeWispelare, Steve Rathjen, Jamie Egger, Clint McIntyre, Tim Rathjen, Jessica Davis (Sixth Row): Keri Kamrath, Ginger Lostroh, Beth Souba, Kendra Zellinger, Tracy Sabara, Sue Hain, Bridget Birkel, Ron Havlovic (Back Row): Tammy Wirka, Rob Svoboda, Chad Meysenburg, Cindy Roubal, Mindy Grotelueschen, Linda Clymer, Candi Lostroh, and Miss Sharon Amsberry, director. Also helping with the musical were Ms. Lora Dion, Mr. Bob Palensky, the pit band, and others.



# INVOLVED

## Week gets DCHS to go crazy

by Leslie Niemann

Camouflaging themselves in the hall are sophomores Scott Hoeft, Bryan Niemann, Shawn Hilger, and Randy Theewen.



Involvement and participation by so many of the students made homecoming week fun, spirited, and successful. "The whole week was great! There was good enthusiasm, yet it was calm at the right times," said art teacher and football coach Kevin Kopecky.

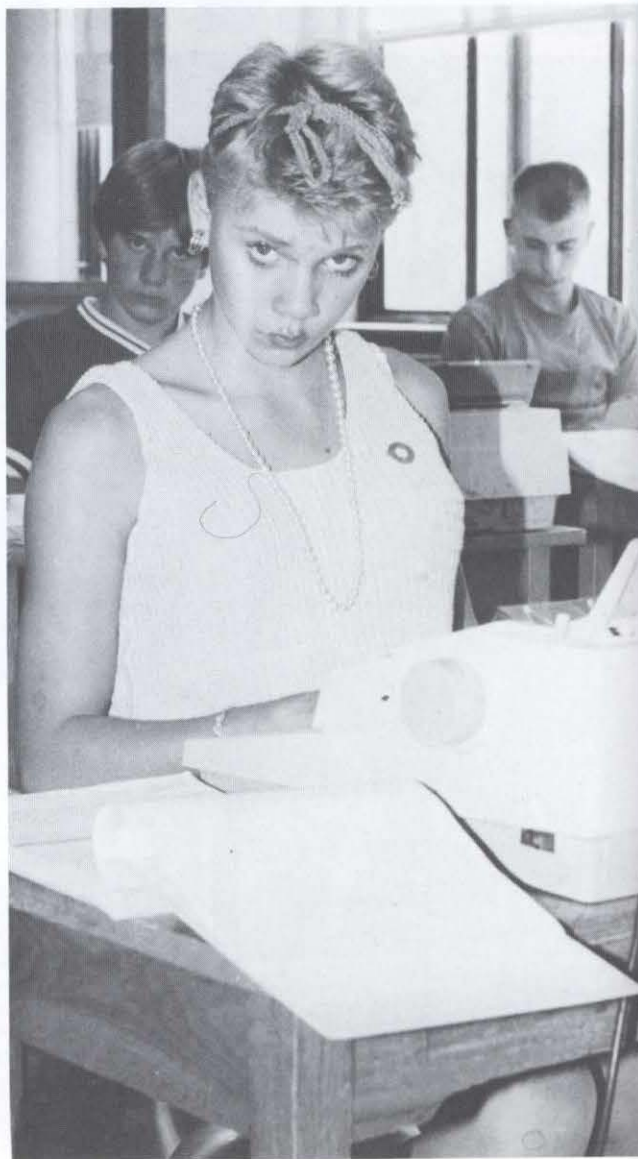
Homecoming week activities began Tuesday, Oct. 6, with Opposite Sex Day. Many students found out how it "really" was to be of the opposite sex. The guys discovered make-up, panty hose, and the proper way to sit with a dress on. They revealed their great legs while the girls looked tough in football uniforms and high tops.

No one was seen in the halls or classrooms on Wednesday. It was Camouflage Day. Army fatigues and hunting gear were the attire for the day.

Rounding out the spirited activities was Hat and Shades Day on Friday. Candi Lostroh's hat adorned with real live fruit won first place and Tracy Sabara's numerous hats got considerable attention.

Additional spirit was gained at the pep rallies and contests during the week. The seniors won the steamroller contest and the sophomores won the egg toss. At the downtown pep rally on Friday senior Kurt Schaecher was named Mr. Irresistible. The seniors received first for their class yell.

It was a crazy week with much involvement, but dominating the week with the most class participation were the sophomores. "It was fun! Especially when the sophomores won the dress up days! Overall, there was a lot of spirit," said sophomore Jessica Davis.

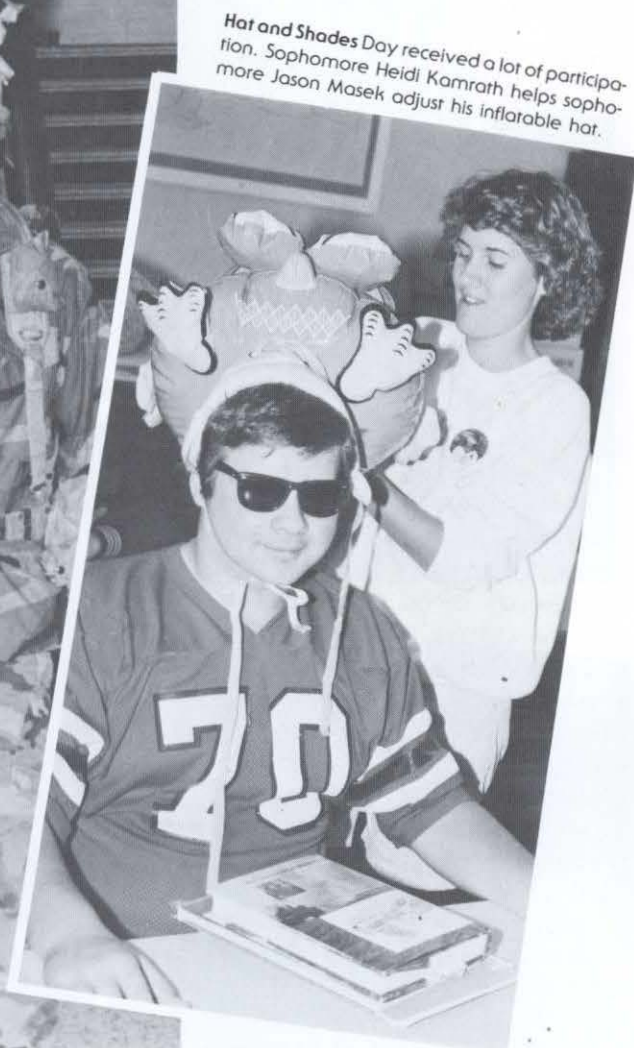


Puckering up for the camera while trying hard not to break a nail while typing is freshman Mike Brown. Mike won first place for his effort on Opposite Sex Day.





Disguised for homecoming juniors Chris Butler and John Deacy show off their military fatigues. Both received second place in the camouflage contest.



*Hot and Shades Day* received a lot of participation. Sophomore Heidi Kamrath helps sophomore Jason Masek adjust his inflatable hat.



Assisting senior Dean DeWispelare with his camouflage make-up is senior Joan Hilger.

Dressed in their best on Opposite Sex Day are seniors Darin Kotil, Ron Havlovic, Jamy Sloup, and Brad Howe.



**Homecoming royalty are** (Front): Mark Griffiths and Katie Cruickshank, gift bearers (Back): Mick Kozisek, past king; Bridger Birkel and Brad Howe, second attendants; Queen Angie Abel; King Kurt Schaecher; Darin Koril and Denise Kucera, first attendants; and Buffy Romshek, past queen.

**Trying to pull away from an East Butler opponent** is junior Mike Heins. The Scouts marked up a 35-6 homecoming victory.



**A good time at the dance** is shown by senior Sue Hain and sophomore Randy Theewen.



**Congratulating the new homecoming king,** Kurt Schaecher, is junior Amy From.

**Dancing to the royalty dance** are King Kurt Schaecher and Queen Angie Abel. The night's music was provided by Interfaze.







# EXCITED

Week ends  
with a  
victory

by Leslie Niemann



Adding royal blue balloons to the archway is junior cheerleader Shelly Hains.

The cheerleaders were in charge of decorating for the dance. Assisting is Lori Strejskal, cheerleading sponsor, with the balloons is junior Trish Wendel.

"Who will win the game tonight? Did I remember to order my flower? Will I get the car tonight?" These questions were on the minds of many DCHS students on October 9, Homecoming Day.

It was a brisk day. Everyone bundled up and ventured downtown for the pep rally. "I thought it was neat because the whole school was there and was participating," said sophomore Christie Korus.

Excitement peaked that night when the Scouts creamed the East Butler Tigers, 35-6. "The spirit was bubbling, but the best part of the night was when we roasted the Tigers," said sophomore Carrie Hain.

During the halftime, the homecoming royalty had been introduced as they made their way in front of the bleachers. Instead of being escorted in convertibles, the royalty added a little variety by riding in golf carts. The dance and formal coronation followed the game.

The theme "Why Can't This Night Last Forever" had taken over the gym with white, silver, and blue balloons and streamers. Angie Able and Kurt Schaecher were crowned Homecoming Queen and King. As the night came to an end, many left with great memories of the exciting week.



# A BLAST

## DJ's help get crowd in motion

by Denise Kucera and  
Angie Pracek

"**N**ever Say Goodbye" was the theme of the FFA-FHA Coronation. The old gym was decorated with pink, light blue, and lavender streamers with a sky mural on the back wall.

"Coronation was well organized and ran smoothly. It would have been more fun if more people would have shown up," said senior Terry Richards.

The evening started with the recognition of the senior FFA-FHA members and their accomplishments throughout high school. This year the seniors requested to be recognized and not have a crowning because they felt everyone was equal and did the same amount of work.

Following the ceremony, the Ultra Sound disc jockeys, in their red bow ties and cumberbunds, got the crowd in motion.

"I was impressed with the disc jockeys. They were good looking and got the crowd going," said senior Josephine Gulzow. The disc jockeys got people from the crowd to dance with and also lip synced with the music.

"The dance was a blast, especially when they played 'Get into my car' and everyone made a long train," said senior Kari Kuhlman.

Senior John Jacobson also enjoyed the evening. "The dance was a lot of fun, especially dancing with Mrs. Griffiths."

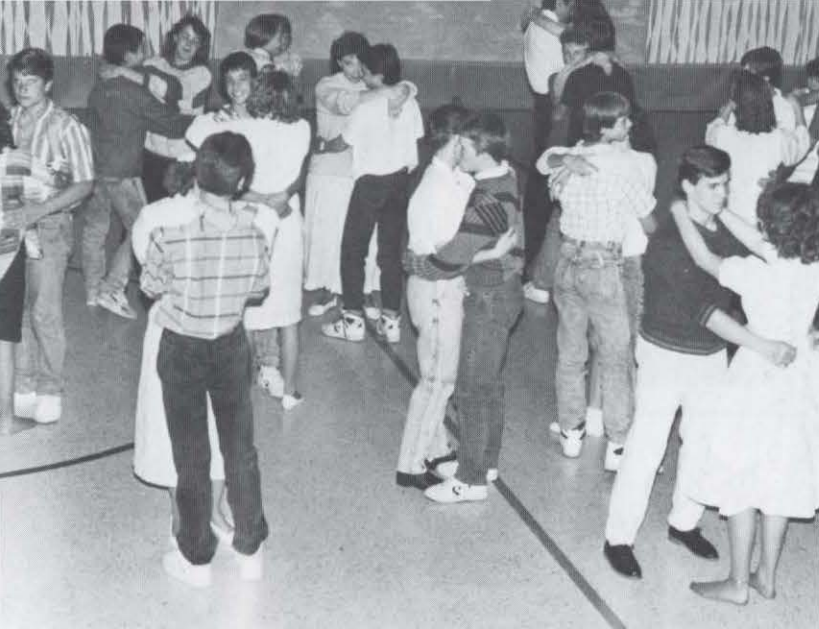
"Overall the student behavior was commendable and the music was the best ever. It was unfortunate that more students didn't take advantage of it," said FFA sponsor Jim Angell.

**Ouch! Don't poke me!** Senior Roger Remmers gets help with his flower from his girlfriend Allison Munson from Milford. All senior FFA and FHA members were honored during the coronation ceremony.

Bopping to the music with the DJ's are Nick Wright, Jackie Romshek, and Christie Korus.

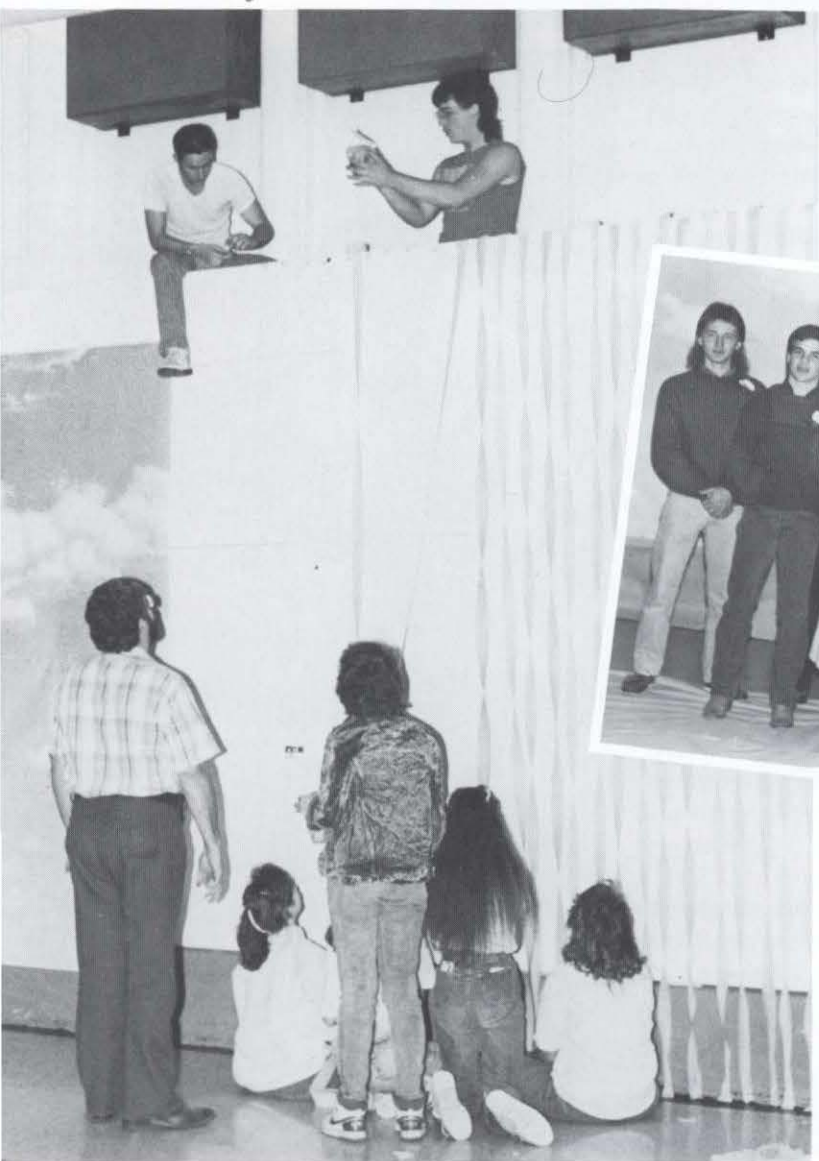






**Moving and grooving** to the music at the coronation dance are students of DCHS. The theme was "Never Say Goodbye."

**Surprise!** Senior Joey Warren is caught by surprise while enjoying a dance with junior Jackie Romshek.



**Honored during the dance** are the senior members of FFA and FHA. They are Dan Pohl, Jamy Sloup, Roger Remmers, Amy Lukert, Jeff Riha, Ann Vrbka, Terry Richards, Amy Lukert, Rick Kovar, John Jacobson, and Joey Warren.

**Decorating the gym** for the night's big event are seniors John Jacobson and Terry Richards and several FHA members. Mr. Jim Angell looks over their good job.

# MAJESTIC

## Prom night dreams turn to reality

by Amy Lange



"Walking into the gym, all I could see were bright lights and a thousand cameras. That's when I started getting nervous," said Nikki Nickolite. A few moments later, Nikki was crowned prom queen.

"When they announced my name, I started clapping, not even realizing that it was my name they had called," said Nikki. Several more pictures were taken of the royalty and then they danced to the theme song "Can't Wait" by Foreigner. The theme "Wait Till Midnight," set with a Cinderella carriage and castle, made Nikki's night even more majestic.

Nikki said that she was excited for everyone and didn't really care who got queen. "The senior class is really close. Just being nominated as a candidate was an honor," she said.

"Becoming prom queen is probably the most important thing that has happened to me. It makes me feel honored to know my classmates would choose me as queen," Nikki said.

What's Nikki really like? Her friends could best answer that question. "As a close friend of Nikki's, I have seen many sides of her. She's an understanding person that will help you out of a bind. She's very hyper and always on the go! Whenever you're down, she'll make you smile," said Angie Abel.

Denise Kucera, another friend, said, "Nikki's an energetic person who comes up with the craziest ideas. She's fun to be around and is always there to help you out."

Dancing to the theme song "Can't Wait" are King Dean DeWispelare and Queen Nikki Nickolite. Decorations for the theme "Wait Till Midnight" included a castle where the king and queen were crowned and a carriage filled with pink and gray balloons.







A long day of decorating turned the gym into a majestic ballroom. Junior John Deacy helps hang the pink, gray, and white streamers. Later that night, couples dance to the sounds of "The Deal."



Prom royalty are (Front): Stacy and Tracy Romshek, giftbearers: Queen Nikki Nickolite, King Dean DeWispelare, Brad and Mark Sloup, giftbearers (Back): Jeff DeWispelare and Sarah Duer, past royalty: Mindy Grotelueschen, Mike Koehn, Brad Howe, and Denise Kucera, attendants.



Prom servers are (Front Row): Leslie Niemann, Lynn Kozisek, Nicki Wright (Second Row): Heidi Kamrath, Michelle Taylor, Tracy Scholz (Third Row): Chad Townsend, Jason Masek, Chris Hutchinson (Back Row): Shawn Robins, Scott Dallegge, and Kurt Kuhlman.



Decked out in their tuxes awaiting their limousine ride are Brad Howe, Mike Heins, the chauffeur, Keith Kampschnieder, and Kurt Schaecher.

# SUCCESS

Continue  
to excel  
given as  
advice

by Angie Pracek

"Success breeds success. It starts with academics. Continue to excel," said SSGT Joseph French at the Awards Banquet held on May 3.

Following a potluck dinner, awards were given in drama, music, academics, and sports. Sprinkled throughout the program were "bad" jokes by Don Sackett, activities director, about the coaches.

Junior Candi Lostroh was given special recognition. She was presented the Armand Hammer United World College Award. Being accepted into this select college meant this was Candi's last year at DCHS. She will be going to New Mexico to study for two years.

Teachers and coaches recognized the outstanding contributions of students, but the students also presented a number of gifts to their teachers and coaches. Or at least they tried. Coach Mona Petersen received nothing from her senior volleyball players because of "technical difficulties" but was promised it would be coming.

In a separate awards banquet held on April 7, thespians were honored. Before the honors were announced, those in attendance enjoyed a potluck meal.

New members were then initiated by President Linda Clymer. After initiation, the group got down to the serious business of honoring the year's top performers. The Best Actor Award was presented to Ron Havlovic and the Best Actress Award was presented to Linda Clymer. Chad Meysenburg was named Best Supporting Actor and Candi Lostroh received the Best Supporting Actress honor. Clymer was also named Best Thespian.

Senior Linda Clymer was presented the Best Thespian and the Best Actress Awards by Ms. Lora Dion, sponsor, at the Thespian Awards Night. Linda was the troupe's president.

## Special Awards

President's Award	Delmar Lang
Owl's Club Award	Angie Ab
John Phillip Sousa Award	Mike Koeh
Louis Armstrong Jazz Award	Mike Koeh
Choral Award	Candi Lostro
Fine Arts Award	Denise Kucer
DC Club Scholastic Award	Angie Ab
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Dedicated Weightlifter Award	Mike Hein
Offensive Back Award	Mike Hein
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	Schaeche
Most Letter Points in Wrestling	Kur
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Presenting the U.S. Air Force Math and Science Award to senior Ron Havlovic is SSGT Joseph French.



A special sweatshirt is given to Mr. Bob Palensky by Mindy Grotelueschen and the senior band members.

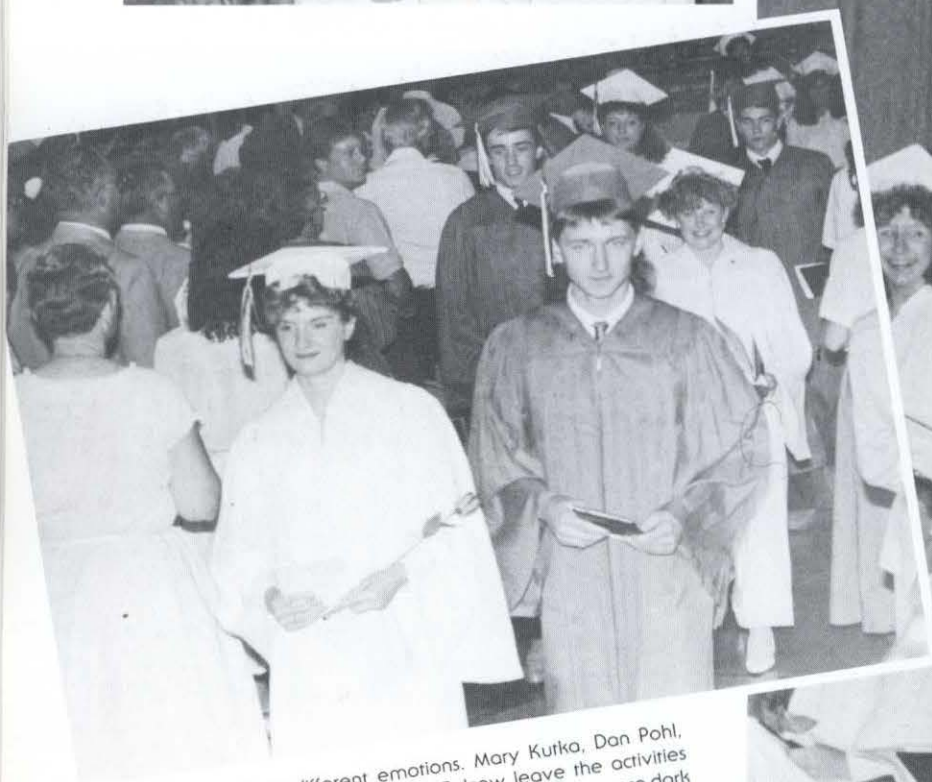


Honored at the Thespian Awards Banquet were Linda Clymer, Candi Lostroh, Ron Havlovic, and Chad Meysenburg.

Special award winners at the Awards Banquet are (Front): Candi Lostroh, Bridger Birkel, Denise Kucera, Mindy Grotelueschen (Back): Brad Howe, Dean DeWispelare, Mike Heins, Darin Koril, Mike Koehn, Ron Havlovic, and Kurt Kuhlman.

Getting a special congratulations hug is Nikki Nickolite. The rain stopped long enough for the graduates to form a reception line outside the activities center.

Leaders of the class are Dean DeWispelare, salutatorian; Angie Abel, class president; and Linda Clymer, valedictorian.



Faces are full of different emotions. Mary Kurka, Dan Pohl, Roger Remmers, and Josephine Gulzow leave the activities center after receiving their diplomas. The class colors were dark blue, ivory and silver, and the girls carried a single silver tipped blue rose.



Giving the Farewell Address is Linda Clymer. Linda was valedictorian of the class.



# DREAMS

## Grads look forward to challenges

by André Mick & Deanne DeWispelare



"Live for today, dream for tomorrow, learn from yesterday," was the class motto for the 42 seniors who graduated on Saturday, May 21.

The 42 seniors, dressed in robes of red and white, entered to the sound of Pomp and Circumstance. Some entered with smiles of joy, others with looks of regret or nervousness.

Many seniors looked forward to the challenge of doing things on their own, but still had reservations about the uncertainty of the future. "We are ready to take the challenge of experiencing life on our own. Before, we've always had someone to fall back on, but now we must try it alone," said Angie Abel, class president, in her welcome address.

After the welcome, Rev. Palomaki spoke to the graduates on "The Beginning of Wisdom." Then, Salutatorian Dean DeWispelare gave the class address.

Though the seniors were ready to move on, most couldn't seem to forget all the special times they had shared together. "We've laughed, learned, and shared so much together, it's hard to believe it's over," said Valedictorian Linda Clymer.

Even though the seniors were strongly unified, they knew that it would come to an end, as all good things must. "We will always have the memories of our high school years, but it's time to put that part of our lives away, and start a new chapter, the one of our futures," said Clymer.

The seniors left the activities center with their scholarships and diplomas, feelings of sadness and excitement, and memories.

As she walks up to receive her diploma from Kenneth Miller, president of the school board, Bridger Birkel cringes at the loud 'Birkel' that rings out from the crowd. Fellow graduates enjoy the moment.

### *What has the community done for you?*

*"The community has provided excellent support for athletics, academics, and all aspects of school life (especially the Youth Center which everyone enjoys)."*  
— Bridget Birkel, senior

*"It's supported me as a Peper, giving me my job and helping support the schools in the area with sports and academics."* — Jackie Romshek, junior

*"The community has given me a job, friends, support for activities, and help through the troubled times."* — Ron Havlovic, senior

Sponsoring the annual Pork Barbeque before a football game is one project of the Booster Club. Sheri Lange and Bill Butler help serve the food to the public.



## Stronger than ever

With some character from the community, DCHS grew stronger than ever.

New developments brought the whole community closer. In the fall the Wellness Center was completed. It provided recreation for the public as a place for enjoyment and relaxation as well as a place to go to keep in shape. Students and faculty used the center in their free time to lift weights, do aerobics, or use the whirlpool.

A new grocery store, Didier's, was added to the town. This provided several students with part-time jobs after school. Bea's Lounge moved to a larger restaurant on 5th Street, while a new restaurant, The Cozy Corner, opened up in Bea's previous location. All these developments added new services and opportunities for students.

Students took up various occupations to help out their cash flow. They worked in restaurants, cooking

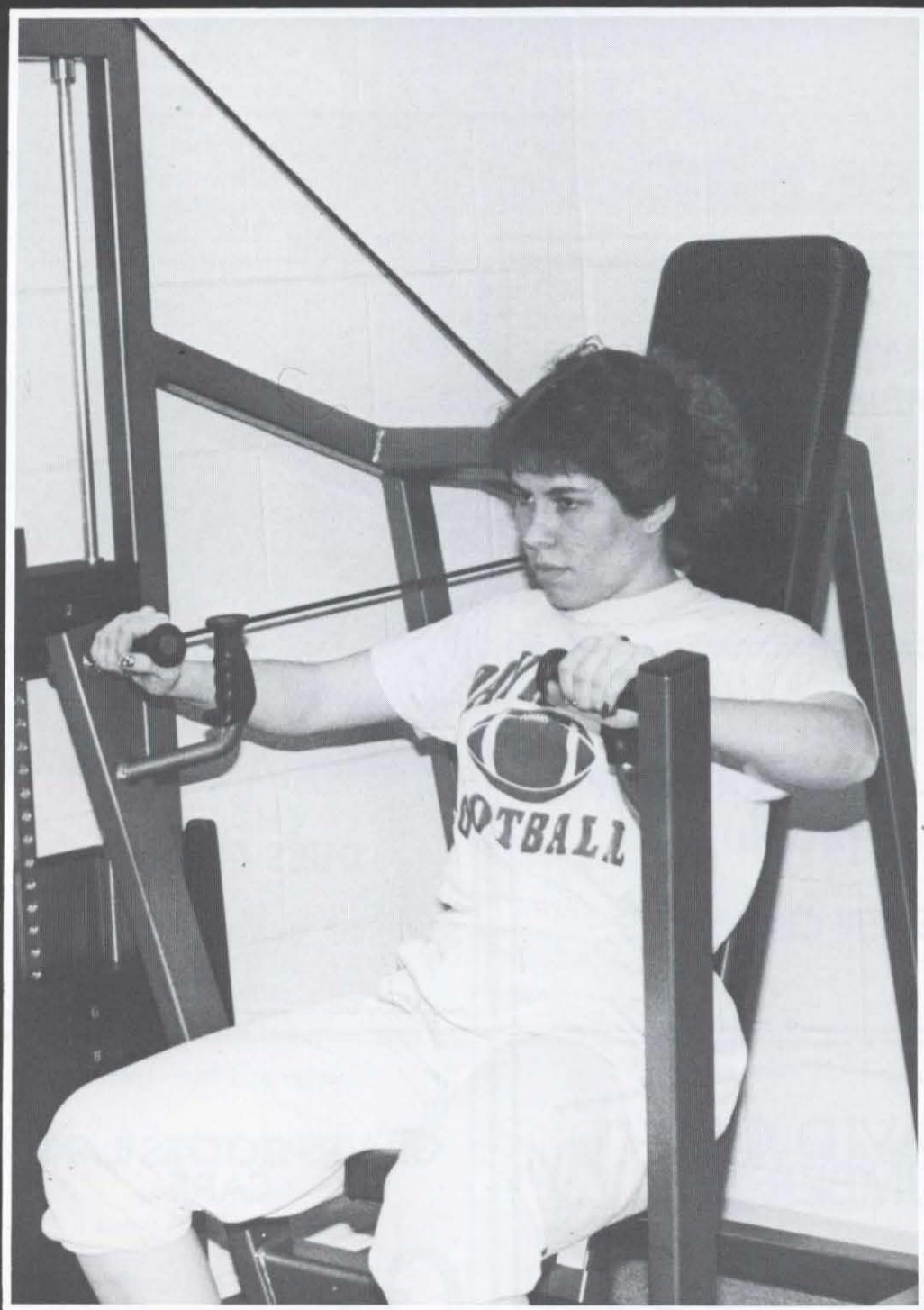
or waitressing; were checkers or sackers in grocery stores; worked at David City Manufacturing or Henningsen Foods; helped on farms; and worked at hardware stores or even at body shops. These jobs let them prepare for the future by becoming more responsible, mature young adults.

An event which also brought everyone closer was the River City Round-up sponsored by the Saddle and Surrey Club. The day's events added excitement and interest in the community. Senior Dawn Svoboda was one of the candidates for Miss River City Round-up. An enjoyable evening, including a dance and a lip-sync contest, turned out to be a success.

The excitement from community events and new developments in the community influenced individuals. The environment, but mainly the people in the community, added another part of character to those at DCHS.

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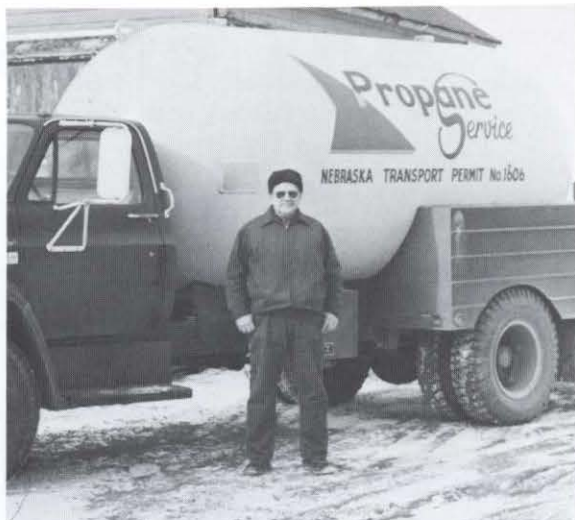
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# Groups keep school operating

The staff and students weren't the only ones that made the school work. Behind the scenes were the bus drivers, janitors, cooks, nurse, and school board members.

All had an important responsibility that helped the students and staff. For example, the janitors kept the school a clean and safe environment for learning. Roger Remmers said, "I don't mind cleaning the building and being around the kids is fun."

Janitor Jerry Streager said, "There's always a lot of cleaning to do. We do the same thing over every day." Although the cleaning became routine, the janitors also were busy with repairs and projects such as building cases for all the band awards. — by Lanett Newhouse



School board members are (Front): Ken Miller, president; Dave Montag (Back): Peggy Kaufmann, Kathleen Larson, secretary; Vic Thoendel, vice president; and Bev Howe.



Overseeing the health of the school is the school nurse, Diane Schroeder.



Transporting kids to and from school were the bus drivers, Charlie Romshek, Butch Lavicky, George Romshek, Donna Allen, and Margaret Romshek.



This happy crew of janitors are Martin Novak, Jerry Streager, Roger Remmers, Adel-

ine Petersen, and Burch Lavicky.



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# Aides gain varied experience

Being a student aide or a library aide was important to both students and teachers.

Senior Josephine Gulzow said, "I was a student aide last year and it will help me in the future. I think everyone should try it at least once because you can learn something instead of sitting in study hall." Josephine was a student aide for Mr. Don Sackett.

Some students looked at student aiding as getting a break from the routine and as an enjoyable experience.

Junior Amy Lange, a student aide for the third grade, said, "I like it. It's fun to escape the high school and do the easy stuff that they do. I'm glad I get to work with that age group because they are old enough to know what I'm talking about, but they don't talk back."

Student aiding for Mr. Gaylen Kamrath was Kari Kuhlman. "I became a student aide to use up a study hall. I enjoy it because I don't do much and what I do, isn't too hard."

Teachers also got a lot out of the help they received from the student and library aides. "We wouldn't survive without them. It would be impossible for me to do everything that has to be done. I really appreciate what they do," said library specialist, Mrs. Dorothy Byers.

Library aides were responsible for things such as typing and filing library cards, putting up bulletin boards, keeping track of incoming magazines, and giving advice on which magazines to order in the future.

Whatever the reason was for being a student aide, it did help the teachers with much of their work and was a learning experience for the student. — by Lanett Newhouse

**Library aides are** (Front Row): Amy Lukert, Carol Clymer, Tracy Chollar, Cindy Roubal, Diane Pracek, Angie Abel (Back Row): Mrs. Dorothy Byers, Corey Grubaugh, Chad Meyenburg, Jessica Davis, Linda Clymer, Eugene Morkert, Jim Streager, Denise Kucera, and Melinda Morkert.



**Excitedly typing up** a worksheet for Mr. Larry Griffiths is his student aide, junior Linda Sloup.

**Student aides are** (Front Row): Sharon Allen, Josephine Gulzow, DeAnn Schultz, Kari Kuhlman, Sue Hain, Bridger Birkel, Denise Kucera, Peg Mullenex (Second Row): Amy Lukert, Linda Clymer, Gabriela Torres, Keri Kamrath, Amy Lange, Connie Didier, Linda Sloup, Candi Lostroh, Mr. Wayne Arnold, sponsor (Third Row): Bryan Niemann, Ron Havlovic, Dan Pohl, Amy From, Trish Thoendel, Brad Howe, Shelly Behrns, Joey Warren (Fourth Row): Donna Zima, Carrie Thoendel, Tracy Scholz, Candi Daro, Paula Ehlers, Deanne DeWispelare, Stacy Brandenburg, Lisa Ostermeier, Kim Svoboda, and Shawn Hilger.





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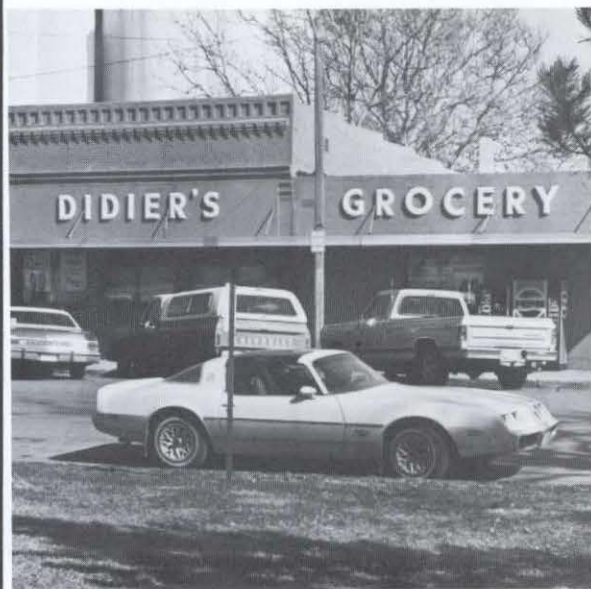
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Do you think President Reagan should pardon Oliver North?



"Yes, because he tried to do something for the good of the country. But he used his own judgment which was obviously a mistake." — Kendra Bishop



"No, because I don't think he's above the law. If he was working under the President, then that would be different because those would have been his orders." — Dorothy Byers



"Yes, North should be pardoned because I think he really believed what he was doing was for the benefit of the United States." — Christi Birkel

# My Lucky Stars

News has broken from the White House that First Lady Nancy Reagan has been secretly consulting astrologer Joan Quigley to schedule events for the President.

This and other startling facts have been released in former White House Chief of Staff Donald T. Regan's book **For the Record**.

## HEADLINES

- 1. Retaliation:** Two American helicopters opened fire on Sept. 21 on an Iranian ship pushing a mine over to the side in the Persian Gulf. This small victory was a boost of morale for the U.S. especially after the disaster of the USS Stark.
- 2. The pulpit:** TV Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart got his turn in the limelight except this time it wasn't from the pulpit. Swaggart was caught with a prostitute and has been contending with charges of pornography.
- 3. Farm crisis:** Farm Aid III was held in Lincoln on Sept. 18. The concert raised money for needy farm families.
- 4. Terrorism:** Terrorists held approximately 30 people hostage on a Kuwait airliner for 10 days killing at least two passengers.
- 5. Columbus murder:** Thirty-year old Terry Kunzelman of Columbus murdered his 24-year old wife in Columbus. She was shot and stuffed in a dishwasher box around Christmas time.
- 6. Summit meeting:** President Reagan and Soviet leader Gorbachev met at a Summit meeting in Moscow at the end of May.
- 7. Drunk driver:** A 37-year old Kentucky man is being charged with 27 counts of murder for running head on into a church school bus load of children. The man was driving the wrong way down the Kentucky interstate.
- 8. Tax reforms:** The effects of the 1986 tax reforms were experienced as people completed their 1987 returns.



As a constant news source, magazines are helpful in providing needed information. Glancing at the headlines reveals the top news stories of the year.



seeing what their stock did are seniors Joan Hilger and Mary Kutka. The stock market crashed 508 points on Oct. 19 which has become known as 'Black Monday.'



## Fact or Fiction?

With the presidential election coming in November, the candidates were doing their best to ward off rumors. However, the stories kept coming.

Republican George Bush had his problems defending his stand in the Iran Contra scandal. More and more evidence kept coming which showed he knew more than what he claimed.

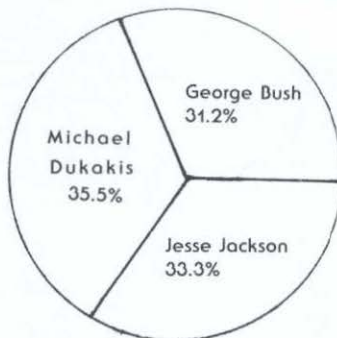
Republican Pat Robertson tried to downplay his role in the Korean War after accusations of his father buying his way out of front line duty.

The Democrats also had their share of problems. Joseph Biden found out that plagiarizing doesn't pay while Al Gore was reminded that he should just say "no" to drugs, no matter when.

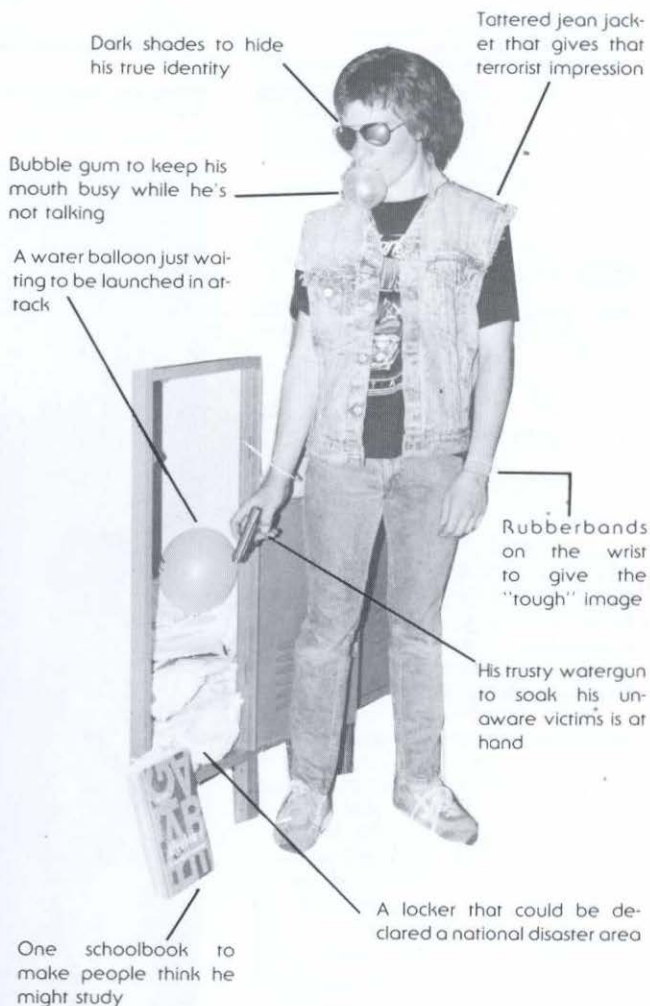
Lastly, Jesse Jackson learned that if he wants delegates from New York, he better not call New York City a hymie town.

## IN FOCUS

Who would you vote for for President?



## STUDENT TERRORIST



(Portraying the typical "student terrorist" is sophomore Heath Birkel.)

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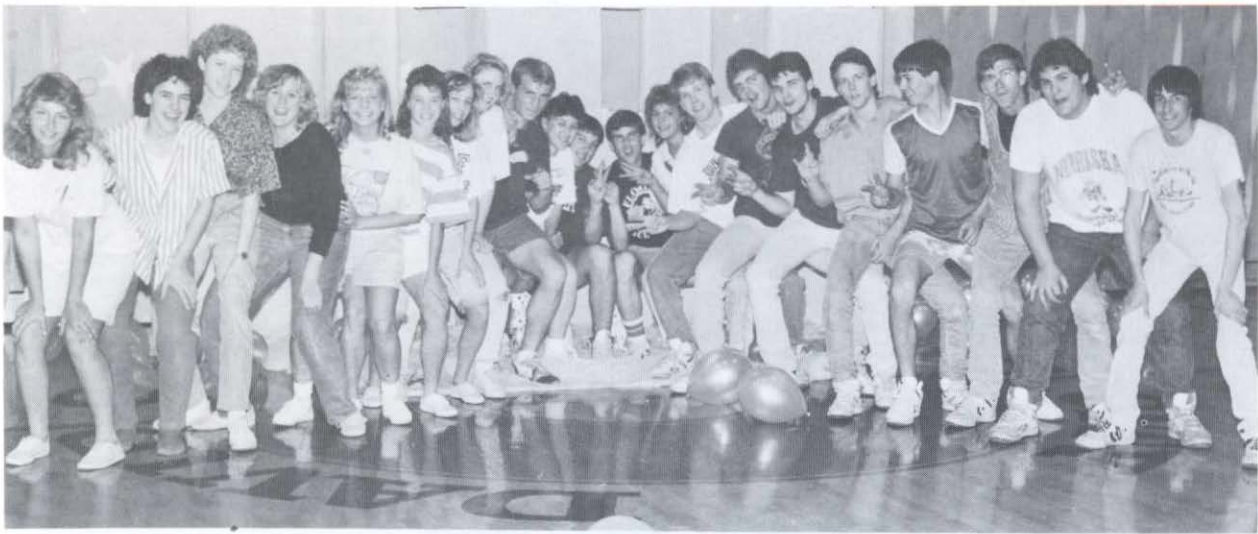
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Showing signs of approval and relief that prom decorating is almost finished are juniors Shelly Behrns, Jackie Romshek, Rachel Klingemann, Candi Lostroh, Pam Brown,

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Students always liked to catch a few rays at track meets. Sophomores Kim Svoboda, Carrie Hain, and Michelle Taylor enjoy their time out of school.

Having a little trouble with his car, junior Shane O'Dell with help from junior Chris Butler, pushes it to the school shop.



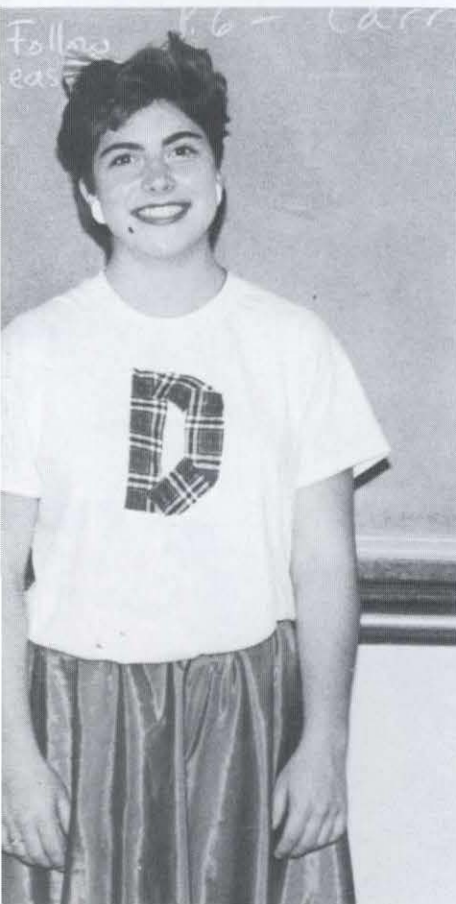
The flag girls put on a routine at halftime of the basketball game. Doing the number is sophomore Lynn Kozisek.

Trying to sell their new product, Triple Mint Gum, are the Triple Mint Sisters, Lizzy (Trish Thoendel), Izzy (Pam Brown), and Dizzy (Amy Lange). The commercials were part of Mr. Griffiths' mass media class.





Part of the memories of physiology is dissecting the fetal pig. Checking the internal organs are sophomores Eric Betzen and Jess Zegers.



# Character lives on

**Y**es, the school year was different. Everyone faced their own challenges and experienced events which added a charge of character. The school year ended, but each individual's memories of the year lived on. Whether it was in the classroom, on the court, or with friends, the memories will remain and be a part of each person's character.

Through the year there were many memorable times. The "Kiss the Pig Contest" was a fund raiser for the March of Dimes. Mrs. Davis was picked to kiss the pig and Josephine Gulzow kissed a puppy. The marriage project in independent living was a memorable learning experience as were all the English speeches and term papers.

Nebraska football player Tim Jackson and Congressman Hal Daub came and spoke to students. These guest speakers broadened the experiences of students to events beyond DCHS.

Special and rewarding moments occurred at awards night, prom, and graduation.

Although the school year won't be forgotten, everyone was looking forward to getting out, being out in the sun, finding a job, and to enjoying the summer. It was a time to move on, but one thing was for sure and that was that everyone was glad to be part of DCHS and to be a part of its on-going character.



Trying to arouse study hall by making a basket in the trash can is senior Dale Lewis. Looking on are Mr. Steve Cruickshank, Pat Miesek, and Rodney McDonald.



One activity in Mrs. Davis' home ec classes is holding playschool. Helping one of the play-schooler's fingerprint is freshman Lori-High.

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Everyone showed some of their character through the year. Showing character that's a little crazy are DCHS students Keri Komrath, Brad Howe, Mindy Grotelueschen, Mark Wynegar, Michelle Taylor, Mike Koehn, and Tracy Scholz.

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