

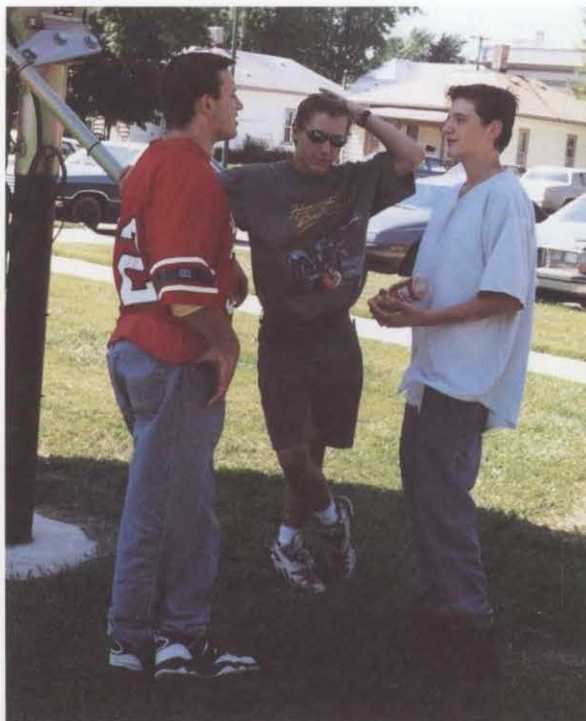
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Hanging out over the lunch period are junior Patrick Kozícek and sophomores Matt Fencil and Chad Loseke. Closed campus required students to stay on the school grounds.

The cast members show us a different side of themselves. Dancing to 'One' during the last dress rehearsal for **A Chorus Line** are cast members Naomi Petrik, Sherry Krivanek, Leigh Petersen, Jennifer Ventris, Jenny Schwartz, and Elizabeth Stachitus.





The senior class got the spirit rolling during homecoming week by painting faces at the volleyball game. Senior Amy Neemann paints a spirited message on eighth grader Elizabeth Huxoll's face.

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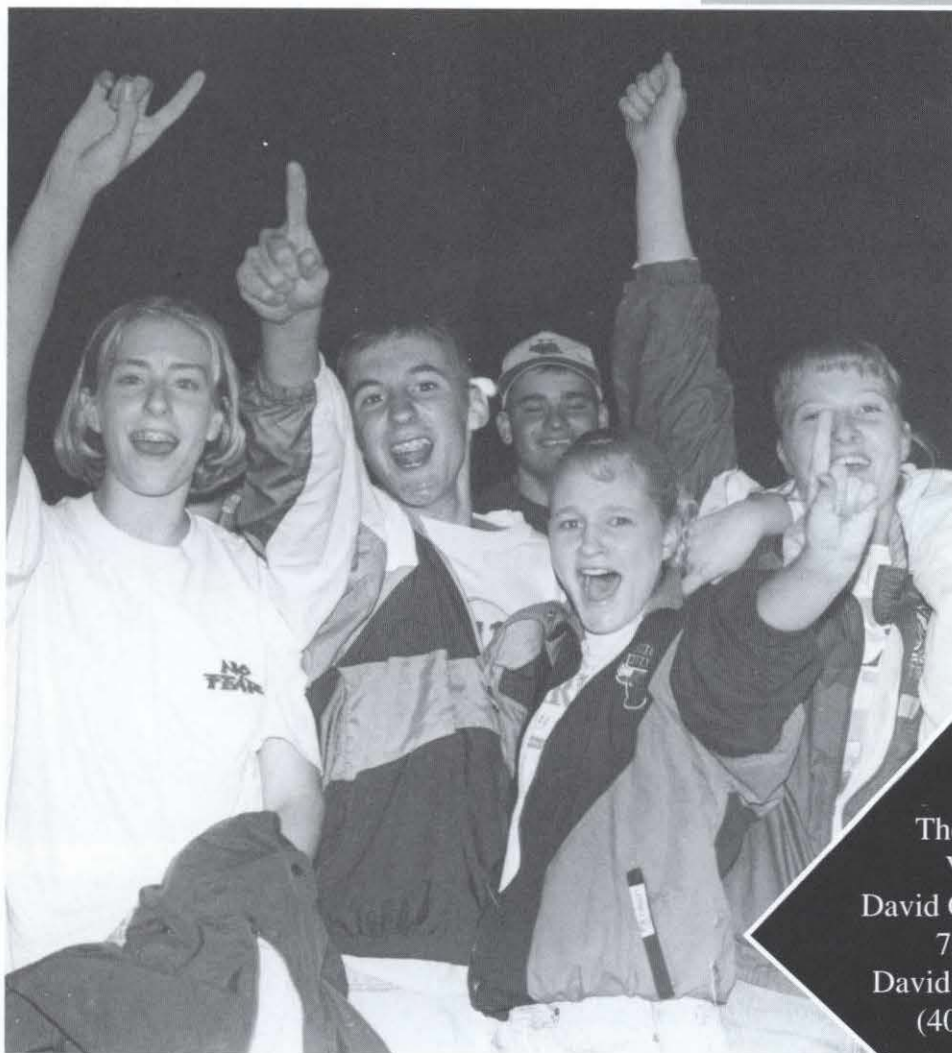
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Holding up their fingers to show that the Scouts are #1 are sophomores Angie Sunday, Clark Fichtl, Mike Egger, Candee Leu, and Danielle Dietrich. It was obvious that this was not going to be just another year at DCHS.

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Introduction 1

A Year Like No Other

As the school year approached, people thought this was just going to be another year.

But, just days before classes began, panic struck. The construction wasn't quite finished, and the school looked like a disaster area. However, on August 23, things were ready, and it became obvious that this year was going to be anything but ordinary.

The most obvious change was the change in the building itself. Over the summer the third floor was completely redone. New lights, intercom system, lockers, and a heating and cooling system were added. Ceilings were lowered, walls were painted, and the woodwork was refinished. But all this remodeling didn't seem to help the problem of crowded hallways.

The halls were crowded because of the increase in enrollment. The enrollment number from last year was 282 in grades 7-12 compared to 302 this year.

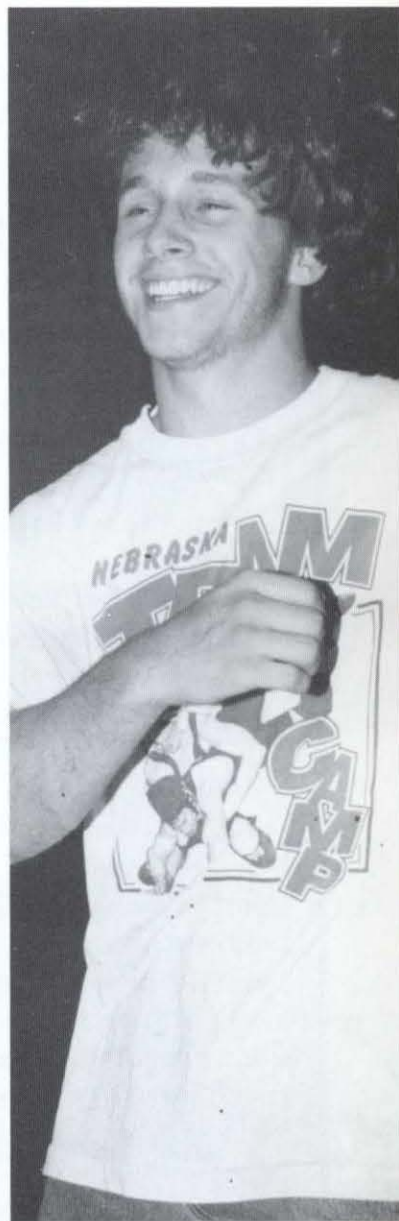
Another major change was closed campus, the most controversial of the changes. Before, students were able to go home or to Stop Inn or just cruise at noon. Now everyone was required to stay at the school and eat at the cafeteria or bring their lunch. As the year went on, students were faced with more changes and realized that 1995-96 was definitely going to be anything but ordinary.



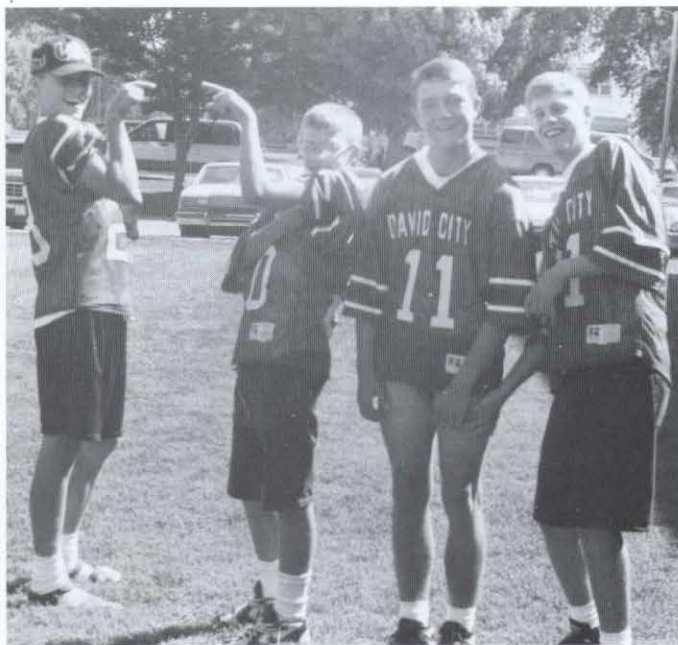
At a pep rally, sophomore Grant Jones tries to limbo under the pole held by senior Cathy Romshek and junior Sherry Krivanek. Junior Roderick Boss, senior Rick Kocher, and freshman Don Moravec wait their turn.



As they get ready to host the "Just Because" dance, FHA members Jayme Vandenberg, Tracy Garza, Eric Marshall, Junior Huerta, and Greg Brabec get a little crazy.



Getting down at the Senior Scare, junior Roderick Boss looks anything but ordinary with a wig on.



Closed campus required students to stay on campus, but freshmen Colin Daro, Blake Behrns, Branden Rech, and sophomore Tyler Behrns still have fun.

Helping a girl get her prize off of the fishing pole at the Head Start Halloween Carnival are National Honor Society member Ryan Hough and sophomore Chrisi Schmit. National Honor Society members volunteered to run the games at the carnival.

Washing dishes after the FHA soup supper is sophomore Jessica Shaffer. The soup supper is an annual fund raiser for the organization.



Giving a speech in humorous prose at the DC Invite is senior Shaun Smith. The team finished sixth in the meet.



Getting involved

Getting involved in organizations is important for many students. Students join organizations for a number of reasons ranging from getting out of school to eating cookies at parent teacher/conferences.

Although organizations required time, students knew that it was worthwhile. "Being in FFA allowed me to teach people things about this organization that they didn't know **ANYTHING** about, and have fun at the same time," junior Matt Otto said.

Sophomore Steph Jones agreed. "Being in organizations is beneficial because I got to experience different things and meet a lot of new people," Jones said.

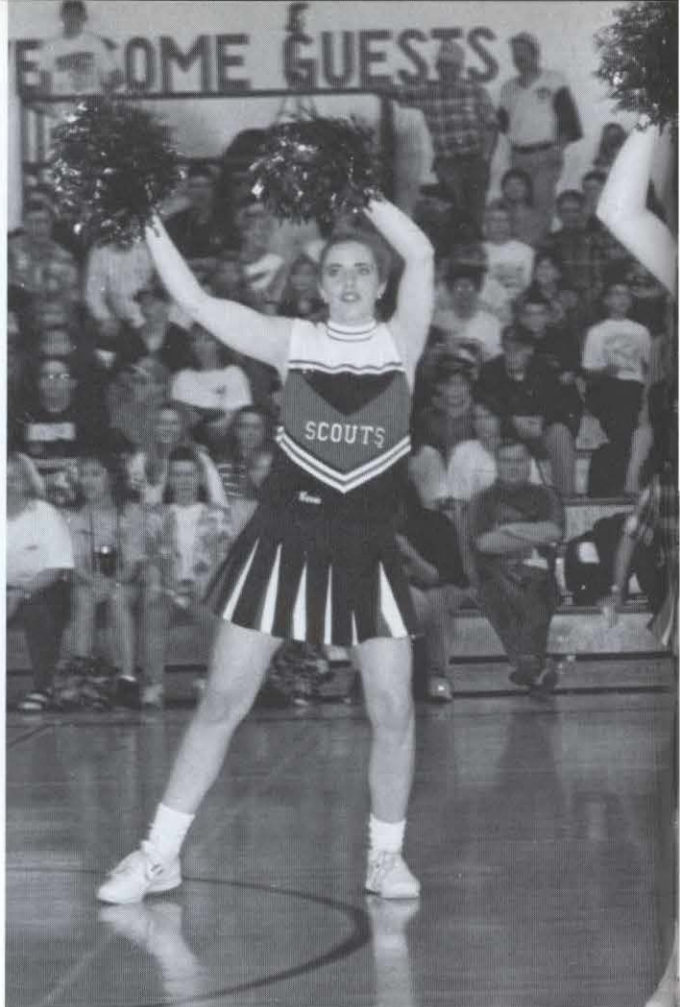
Being in an organization not only proved to be fun and beneficial, **BUT** also created unforgettable memories. "At the FHA convention, Eric Marshall had to participate in the 'love statue' game with a girl he didn't know," junior Deanne Ostry said.

In the end students looked back at these out of the **ORDINARY** experiences and felt that they were an essential part of school life.

Participating in a friendly conversation while working at parent/teacher conferences are student council members Roderick Boss, Luke Cole, Chrisi Schmit, and Steph Jones.

Doing their halftime dance are senior Carrie Marquis and sophomore Elizabeth Stachitus.

Whoopee! Cheering at the girls subdistrict game are juniors Lisa Stachitus, Brienna Samek, and Sherry Krivanek.



"If cheerleading were a fruit, it would be a banana."

*Miranda Pernicek
Senior*



Cheerleaders are (Front): Brienna Samek, Cathy Romshek, Leigh Petersen (Middle): Miranda Pernicek, Brooke Hayes, Carrie Marquis (Back): Jenny Schwartz, Lisa Stachitus, Sherry Krivanek, Sponsor Pam Kabourek, Elizabeth Stachitus, Becky Fletcher, and Michelle Thiemann.

Enjoying a pep rally are Cathy Romshek, Carrie Marquis, Brooke Hayes, Michelle Thiemann, and Elizabeth Stachitus.





by Becky Schmit

Taking All On

Cheerleaders take on many responsibilities

What did it take to be a cheerleader? Hard work, enthusiasm, pep, and school spirit.

Cheerleaders took on the very important role of getting a crowd into the game. This may have sounded easy, but it wasn't always.

Memorizing cheers and actions, while also learning dances, were among the responsibilities. Cheer-

leaders devoted a lot of time. "You have to make every practice, every game, and get along with everyone on the squad," sophomore Elizabeth Stachitus said.

There was also a lot of stress. "Getting up at 4:00 in the morning to get ready to leave with the boys on the wrestling bus at 6 a.m. can really be a disadvantage," senior Miranda Pernicek said.

Although it was hard work to be a cheerleader,

the hard work did have its rewards. "Just getting out there cheering, having fun, and showing pride in our school is great," junior Brienna Samek said.

Another reward was the great times the cheerleaders had together. "Everyone brought their camera and took silly pictures," sophomore Leigh Petersen said.

Cheerleading was work, but the squad was glad to have the experience.



DC Club members are (Front Row): Blaine Hayes, Aaron Hoeft, Jessica Taylor, Sheila Sauberzweig, Carrie Marquis, Sara Bock, Crystal Niemann (Middle Row): Luke Cole, Carrie Schmit, Mandy Brandenburg, Ryan Hough, Greg Jahde, Dave Battaglia, Shaun Smith (Back Row): Jeremy Roubal, Chrisi Schmit, Kelli Kobza, Steph Jones, Albert Hotten, Roderick Boss, Grant Jones, and Michelle Sauberzweig.

Making homecoming signs are sophomore cheerleaders Jenny Schwartz and Brooke Hayes.

Kidnapping sophomore Steph Jones for her National Honor Society initiation is junior Sherry Krivanek.

Comparing their student council Matchmaker results are sophomores Katie Bell, Angie Hilger, Lisa Cole, and Becky Schmit.



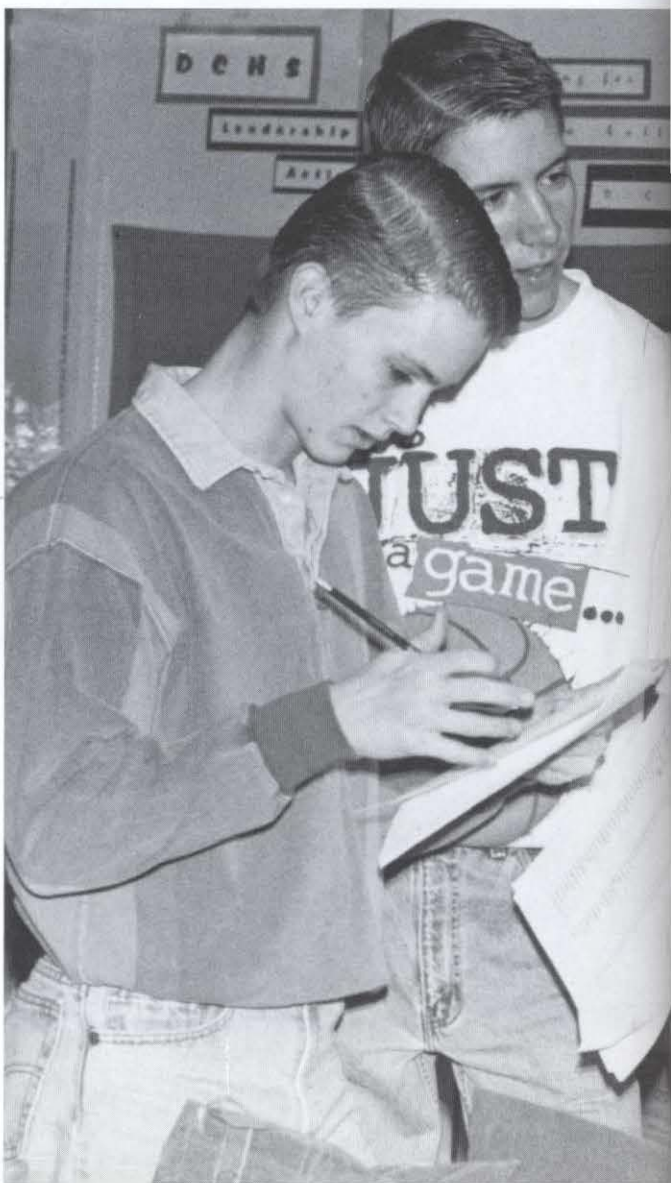
"If student council were a car, it would be a pace car in the Indy 500."

*Albert Hotten
Junior*



National Honor Society members are (Front Row): Carrie Schmit, vice president; Leigh Petersen, Chrsi Schmit, Brienna Samek, Deanne Ostry, Noemi Huerta, Anita Petersen, Brooke Hayes (Back Row): Ryan Hough, treasurer; Kelli Kobza, Elizabeth Stachitus, Angie Sunday, Steph Jones, Sherry Krivanek, Gabe Bathen, Sheila Sauberzweig, historian; Mandy Brandenburgh, president; and Steph Britton, secretary. Not pictured are Grant Jones and Mr. Jerry Wiggins, sponsor.

At the student council food drive, seniors Dave Battaglia, Aaron Hoeft, and Shaun Smith collect food to donate to Blue Valley.



by Amy Reynoldson

Never Dateless

Computerized matchmaker determines love hopefuls

Going dateless on Valentine's Day was not a problem for most students if they participated in the student council matchmaker fund raiser. A computerized matchmaking project helped students determine who their top ten love matches and friends in the school were.

During their homeroom classes, all students filled out a Matchmaker ques-

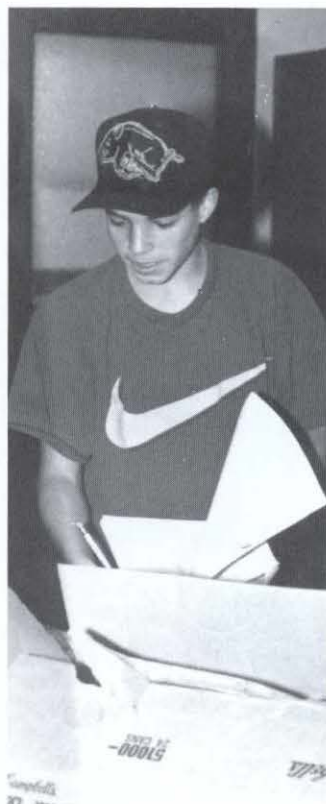
tionnaire that had questions pertaining to the students' personal dating preferences. Some of the questions asked were, "How far would you go on the first date?" "Do you prefer a smoker or a nonsmoker?" "What is your curfew?"

The questionnaires were mailed to the company, and the results were mailed back to the school. "When I got my results back, most of the guys and girls on my list

were close friends of mine," junior Naomi Petrik said.

The project was originally planned to be a money making project. However, because students were only charged \$2 for both envelopes there was no money made.

"This project went great as far as turnout, so we really didn't care too much about how much money we made," sponsor Amy Backstrom said.



Student council members are (Front Row): Mrs. Amy Backstrom, sponsor; Carrie Schmit, secretary; Mandy Brandenburgh, president; Cathy Romshek, Steph Jones, Andy Courtright, Mark Hassebrook (Second Row): Clark Fichtl, Grant Jones, Dave Battaglia, Albert Hotten, Shaun Smith (Third Row): Aaron Hoeft; Luke Cole, guard; Emily Schmit, Anita Petersen, vice president; Miranda Pernicek, Todd Wright (Back Row): Sherry Krivanek, Nick Arps, Sophie Niemann, Sheila Sauberzweig, treasurer; Clint Helgoth, and Gretchen Heins.

Before Christmas break, freshman Clint Helgoth helps check in items brought for the student council's food drive.

by Lisa Cole

Keeping Active

FFA/FCCLA provide positive experiences

Promoting leadership, teamwork, and helping others by attending competitions and conferences and by sponsoring activities were the goals of the FCCLA and FFA members.

FCCLA, previously known as FHA, stands for Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America. The name was changed to more accurately reflect what the group does.

The FCCLA projects included their annual soup supper, selling and baking

Valentine cookies, and the spring dance. The chapter also went to state convention in Lincoln where they received the Silver Star Chapter Award. "The FCCLA members from David City represented our chapter and school in a very positive way. It was a good experience for all who attended," adviser Mrs. Judy Davis said.

The FFA members also learned leadership qualities. "The leadership training received will benefit these FFA members for

the rest of their education and as they join the work force of the world," adviser Mr. Jim Angell said.

The chapter attended activities and contests such as land judging and welding to help them reach their goals.

"Having the first place team and individual at districts in land judging and advancing to state was good for our chapter," sophomore Clark Fichtl said.

The FFA received a superior chapter rating at state convention.

Presenting information about agriculture to the elementary students is sophomore Clark Fichtl. The FFA members visited the elementary during FFA Week.



FFA members are (Front Row): Ryan Stava, Mike Egger, Chad Gregory, Craig Schmit, Jesse Adamy **(Middle Row):** Chad Kershner, Niki Angell, Willis Smith, Wade Yonda **(Back Row):** Mr. Jim Angell, adviser; Clark Fichtl, reporter, Albert Hotten, sentinel; Chris Meister, treasurer; Ben Schultz, president; Matt Otto, vice president; Matt Jones, parliamentarian; Justan Wynegar, secretary.



Decorating Valentine cookies is sophomore Amanda Vandenberg. The FCCLA sold about 1200 cookies.





"Can I help you?" is sophomore Ben Schultz's expression as he works at the FFA/FCCLA concession stand during a football game.

Serving at the FCCLA annual soup supper are senior Shana Perdew, sophomore Cody Parker, and freshman Kim Micek.



"If FCCLA were a cartoon, it would be Muppet Babies."

*Wendy Fiala
Freshman*



FCCLA members are (Front Row): Molly Lensch, Erin Schultz, Tana Bomberger, Shana Perdew, historian; Jayme Vandenberg, president; Tracy Garza, vice president; Niki Williams, Lisa Cole (Middle Row): Crystal Thiele, Cody Parker, Chandra Givens, Kim Micek, Melissa Kovar, treasurer; Deanne Ostry, secretary; Jessica Andel, publicity chairperson; Jessica Shaffer, Eric Marshall; Daryl Shockley, Greg Brabec (Back Row): Anita Petersen, Lisa Hlavac, Amanda Stachitus, Mrs. Judy Davis, adviser; Niki Wheeler, Barb Page, and Wendy Fiala.

Organizing the FCCLA Christmas party are chairpersons senior Jayme Vandenberg and sophomore Tracy Garza.

by Leigh Petersen

Valued Choices

Bettering the community
shows group efforts

Finding that what they do today can affect them tomorrow were the FCA and TAAD members. The equality of muscle, mind, and soul mattered.

Both FCA and TAAD realized after the death of Nebraska football player Brook Berringer that all choices are important. "I couldn't believe what happened. If Brook can die that quickly, then anyone can go at anytime," senior Carrie Schmit said.

"Every choice can change any part of our lives," freshman Wendy Fiala said.

These organizations donated their time and patience to the community. TAAD devoted four months to alcohol prevention. Posters were hung up around the schools alerting others of the dangers of drinking and driving.

Students joined both of these clubs for various reasons. "Becoming part of FCA helped God mean

more in my life," sophomore Kelli Kobza said. Some TAAD members felt that joining prevented them from drinking and using drugs. "TAAD helped show my friends and me how to stop and think on the weekends," freshman Scott Hilger said.

After the meetings were held, the community was helped, and goals were met, FCA and TAAD members remembered that their involvement was valuable to themselves and others.



FCA members are (Front Row): Chrisi Schmit, Sherry Krivanek, Steph Jones, Kelli Kobza, Carrie Schmit, Leigh Petersen (Back Row): Jeremy Novak and Mr. Kevin Behrens, sponsor.

Reading about Brook Berringer's death are sophomores Brad Ueckert and Kelli Kobza. Kobza attended the FCA banquet in Lincoln the night he was killed. Berringer was supposed to speak.





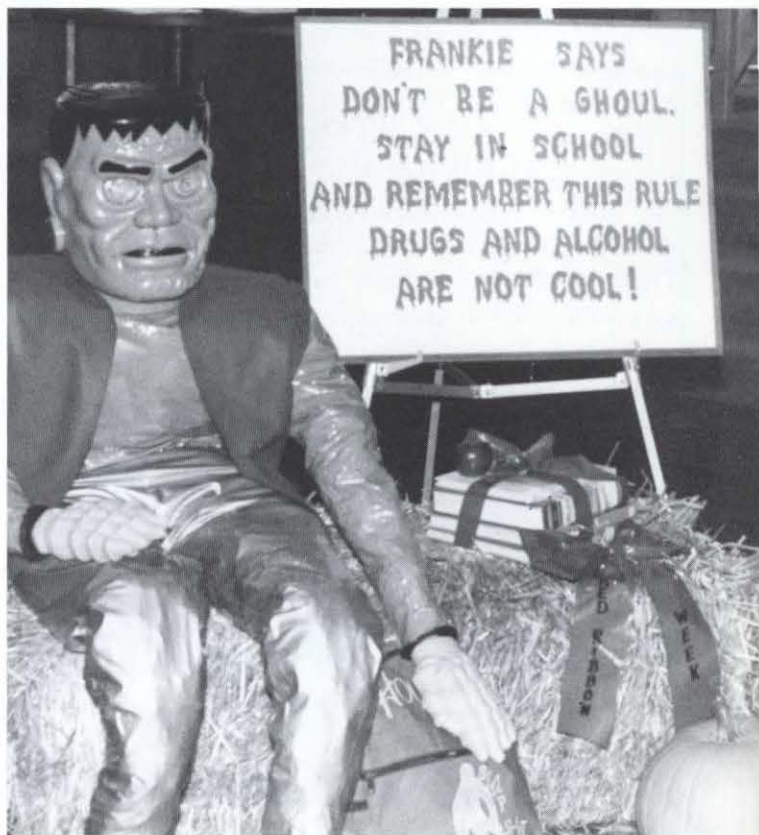
Entangling themselves are senior Carrie Schmit and sophomore Steph Jones. Schmit and Jones found a way to beat the 'ice breaker.'

Receiving a pledge to stay alcohol free from freshman Wendy Fiala is Mrs. Amy Sander. The pledges were sent to Lincoln for reference.



"If FCA were a food, it would be any food that satisfies."

*Mr. Kevin Behrens
Sponsor*



Displays, like Frankie, show how the community joins in Red Ribbon week. TAAD sponsored the contest which required town businesses to create a window display. FirstTier Bank won the contest with Frankie.

TAAD members are (Front Row): Lisa Stachitus, Shyla Meyer, Tonya Ainsworth, Wendy Fiala (Back Row): Becky Barnes, Cody Parker, and Scott Hilger.

Performing their duet 'Hidden in This Picture' are sophomore Grant Jones and senior Dave Battaglia.

by Katie Bell

Team Rebuilds

Speakers create memories through hard work and fun

A year filled with rebuilding and funny memories was noted by the speech team. The team lost twelve seniors, and had to rebuild. "The loss of so many seniors gave us a strong but younger team," Coach Audrey Mathiesen said.

The team placed third at conference and second at the district competition, qualifying three for state. Those competing at state were senior Steph Britton (poetry), sophomore Eliza-

beth Stachitus (entertainment), and freshman Mark Hassebrook (extemporaneous).

Besides major accomplishments many memories were made. "When they called the second place winner in entertainment at districts, and it wasn't me, I was so happy," sophomore Elizabeth Stachitus said.

Other memories were made as well. "The most memorable part of speech was the plunger!" sophomore Leigh Petersen said. The plunger was part of

Elizabeth Stachitus' entertainment speech on attending an all girls summer camp. The plunger was taken everywhere by the team members. "Once we stuck it to the roof of the bus, and couldn't get it off! We thought the ceiling was going to collapse!" junior Lisa Stachitus said.

The plunger, getting second place as a team at districts, and three team members qualifying for state were just a few of the memorable moments made.



Emotional intelligence is the topic of sophomore Katie Bell's informative speech.

Drama club members are (Front Row): Lisa Cole, Cathy Romshek, Katie Steinberger, Leigh Petersen, Jake Heins (Middle Row): Katie Bell, Lisa Stachitus, Shaun Smith, Dave Battaglia, Sponsor Audrey Mathiesen, Tyler Behrns, Crystal Niemann, Kelli Kobza, Sherry Krivanek (In Tree): Anita Petersen, Steph Britton, Clark Fichtl, Vagas Mathiesen, and Grant Jones.





Senior Steph Britton (left) performs her poetry selection and freshman **Mark Hassebrook** (below) gives an extemporaneous speech. Both qualified for state.



"If speech were a movie, it would be 'Natural Born Killers.'"

*Clark Fichtl
Sophomore*



Speech team members are (Front Row): Grant Jones, Steph Britton, Scott Hilger, Carrie Schmit, Mandy Brandenburgh, Steph Jones, Elizabeth Stachitus, Katie Steinberger, Justan Wynegar, Lisa Cole (Middle Row): Vagas Mathiesen, Cathy Romshek, Shaun Smith, Crystal Niemann, Anita Petersen, Jayne Vandenberg, Dave Battaglia, Sherry Krivanek, Lisa Stachitus, Deanne Ostry (Back Row): Jake Heins, Tracy Garza, Katie Bell, Mark Hassebrook, Jennifer Ventris, Grace Persinger, Brienna Samek, Leigh Petersen, Brooke Hayes, and Coach Audrey Mathiesen. Not pictured are Assistant Coaches Jean Hansen and Denise Banker.

Demonstrating a first year camper in her speech 'Camp Counselors' is sophomore state qualifier Elizabeth Stachitus.

At the Festival of Trees in December Jessica Andel, Justan Wynegar, Candee Leu, and Brienna Samek play their saxophones.

Enjoying playing their instruments for pep band are Mandi Lukert, Leigh Petersen, and Jessica Andel.



**"If band were a TV show,
it would be 'Barney.'"**

*Jill Cameron
Sophomore*



Band members are (Front Row): Mr. Larry Rathbun, director; David Supancheck, Clark Fichtl, Chad Kegshner, Grant Jones, Brook Hopwood, Sherry Krivanek, Steph Jones, Anita Petersen (Second Row): Steph Britton, Jill Cameron, Erin Polivka, Kristin Chmelka, Tonya Ainsworth, Brooke Hayes, Angie Sunday, Katie Steinberger, Naomi Petrik, Amy Grimm (Third Row): Janelle Kamrath, Matt Fencil, Brody Riha, Gabe Bathen, Vagas Mathiesen, Matt Otto, Christina Palensky, Jason Supancheck, Ryan Zeilinger (Fourth Row): Michelle Howe, Justan Wynegar, Brienna Samek, Lisa Stachitus, Scott Hilger, Michael Matulka, Jared Heller, Janelle Gustafson (Fifth Row): Brad Ueckert, Mandi Lukert, Leigh Petersen, Becky Fletcher, and (Back Row): William Skretta. Flag corp members are (Left): Elizabeth Stachitus, Kara Didier, Haley Robinson, Jessica Taylor, Miranda Pernicek, Crystal Niemann (Right): Candee Leu, Gretchen Heins, Jenny Schwartz, Rachelle Theewen, and Cathy Romshek.

Playing the tuba at the Festival of Trees concert is freshman William Skretta.





Marching in Schuyler's Labor Day Parade are Gabe Bathen, Brody Riha, Scott Hilger, and Christina Palensky.

At a home football game freshman Rachelle Theewen performs her flag routine.



by Jenny Sylvester

H it the Road

Band learns from travels, excels in competition

Traveling around seemed to be an experience never to be forgotten by band members. "We played in Columbus, Kearney, Lincoln, and Schuyler. Each place we've been has had its own special memory. When we went to Districts in Columbus, Miranda Pernicek left her flute behind, so one of the other schools let her borrow their flute," sophomore

Jill Cameron said.

Although the band members had to adjust to a new instructor at the beginning of the school year, it didn't seem to upset their normal routine. "The band has exceeded my expectations--all I ratings except a II at the Lincoln Public Schools marching competition," band instructor Larry Rathbun said.

The concert band received a I at district music

competition. Also receiving superior ratings were the flute trio of Katie Steinberger, Angie Sunday, and Brooke Hayes; Matt Davis, alto saxophone; Lisa Stachitus, French horn; Steph Britton and Katie Steinberger, duet; Jill Cameron, clarinet; and Brooke Hayes, flute.

For summer the band planned a trip to Kansas City, Chicago, and St. Louis.

Dancing to "Gimme Some Lovin" at the Spring Swing are senior Steph Britton, junior Katie Steinberger, and sophomore Elizabeth Stachitus.

At the Spring Swing Concert, sophomore Leigh Petersen sings "Big Boy" to senior Shaun Smith.



"If show choir were a candy bar, it would be a Snickers."

*Jake Heins
Junior*



Show choir members are (Front Row): Rachelle Theewen, Jenny Schwartz (Middle Row): Brooke Hayes, Emily Schmit, Elizabeth Stachitus, Kristin Chmelka (Back Row): Cathy Romshek, Dave Battaglia, Leigh Petersen, Gabe Bathen, Anita Petersen, Shaun Smith, Steph Britton, Jake Heins, Katie Steinberger, Brody Riha, and Lisa Stachitus.

Jazz band members Lisa Stachitus, Becky Fletcher, Matt Otto, Brienna Samek, and Brody Riha show off their talents at a concert.



by Amy Reynoldson

T^ravelin' Show

County tour benefits students and community

The end of the year was a busy and important time for the show choir and jazz band. At the district competition at Central Community College in Columbus, the show choir earned a II rating while the jazz band earned a rating of I.

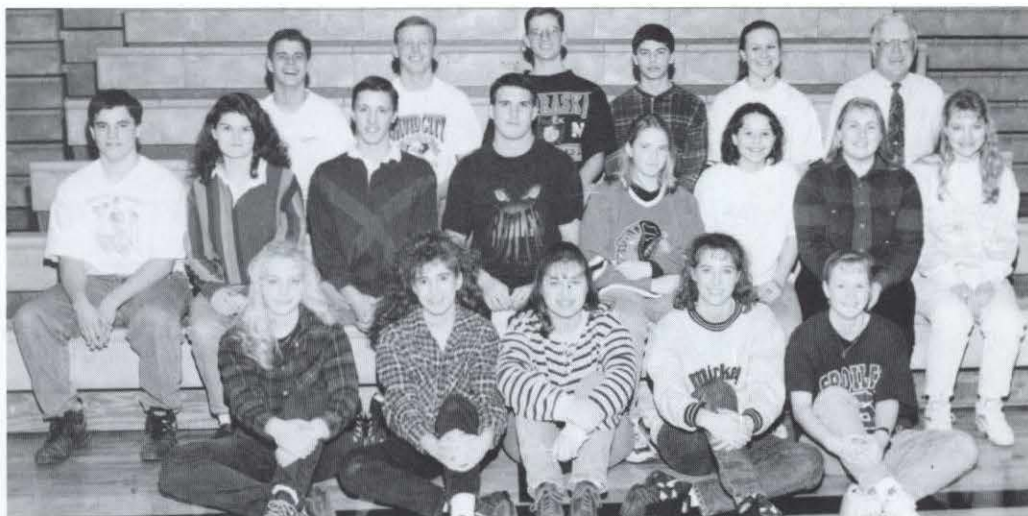
Following districts, the two groups visited elementary schools in Garrison, Bellwood, Bruno, and their own David City Elementary School along with St. Joseph's

Villa during their county tour. The tour allowed the groups to gain more experience and promote the music program at DCHS.

"The tour gave me more confidence and all of us more practice," sophomore Leigh Petersen said. The children and adults that the groups performed for got to see two of the many activities at DCHS. "They got to see the fun that we have here at school," senior Shaun Smith said.

The elementary students weren't the only people who benefitted from the tour. "The community got to watch us go out and show them our talents," junior Jake Heins said.

Following the county tour, the groups performed in their fun Spring Swing Concert. Drinks and snacks were provided as the groups entertained the community in one of the final showings of their talent.



Jazz band members are (Front Row): Brienna Samek, Sherry Krivanek, Lisa Stachitus, Steph Jones, Candee Leu (Middle Row): Brody Riha, Steph

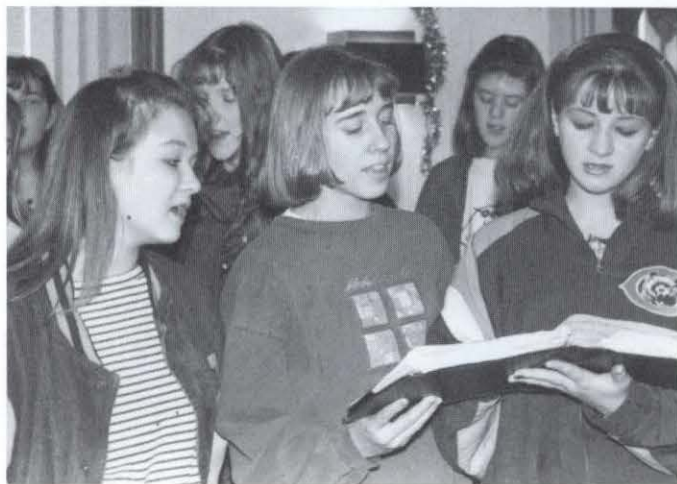
Britton, Brook Hopwood, Matt Davis, Mandi Lukert, Leigh Petersen, Brooke Hayes, Deanne Ostry (Back Row): Vagas Mathiesen, Gabe Bathen, Matt Otto, Justan Wynegar, Becky Fletcher, and Director Larry Rathbun. Not pictured are Matt Fencel and Anita Petersen.

Skillfully playing his saxophone at a jazz band concert is senior Matt Davis. Davis received a I rating on his solo at district contest.



During the spring concert Jenny Schwartz, Lisa Stachitus, Jayme Vandenberg, Janelle Gustafson, Tonya Ainsworth, Eddie Ethington, Shaun Smith, and Steph Britton sing a song they would perform at district music contest.

Singing for the residents of St. Joseph's Villa was one of the choir's performances. In front are Susie Voboril, Rachelle Riha, and Kara Didier.



**"If choir were an animal,
it would be a zebra."**

*Kristin Chmelka
Sophomore*



Choir members are (Front Row): Naomi Petrik, Katie Steinberger, Jenny Schwartz, Rachelle Theewen, Christina Palensky, Rachelle Riha, Brooke Hayes, Leigh Petersen, Susie Voboril (Second Row): Amber Garrison, Kathryn Ethington, Shyla Meyer, Amy Grimm, Steph Britton, Emily Schmit, Kara Didier, Jayne Buell, Gena Heller (Third Row): Michelle Howe, Cody Parker, Shana Perdew, Barb Einspahr, Shaun Smith, Brody Riha, Jennifer Ventris, Janelle Gustafson, Grace Persinger (Back Row): Becky Fletcher, Lisa Stachitus, Mandie Lance, Eddie Ethington, Lenny Palensky, Kristin Chmelka, Erin Polivka, and Tonya Ainsworth. Not pictured are Jayme Vandenberg, Bridget Thacker, and Lizette Haynes.

The choir performs one of their selections at the spring concert.

by Becky Schmit

Making it Easy

Choir members strive for performing excellence

It was a great year for the David City choir. They combined hard work with a lot of fun in preparing for concerts and the district music contest.

Although the choir received a II at district competition, most of the members felt they did really well. "I thought our performance at districts was great. Everything was clicking and ev-

erything we worked on finally pulled through for us," sophomore Leigh Petersen said.

Students took on responsibilities and worked really hard preparing for the competition. "We didn't have all of our music perfectly memorized the day before, but we practiced and on contest day, we were fine," freshman Kara Didier said.

Hard work and togeth-

ness were required. The choir also found time to have fun and enjoy each other's company. "Shaun Smith was the greatest. He always got us going when we didn't feel like it," sophomore Brody Riha said.

Overall, the year went well. "The vocal music students should feel great about their performances," Director Deb Merrill said.



Performing a duet to "One Sweet Day" during the Spring Swing concert are Brody Riha and Leigh Petersen.

The choir sings during the Festival of Trees. The choir sold spots to area businesses and groups to decorate Christmas trees as part of this production.

Taking a break to chat at a football game are seniors Aaron Hoeft, Steph Britton, and Cathy Romshek. Meanwhile, senior Jessica Taylor keeps her attention on the game.

While sporting his new sunglasses, sophomore Grant Jones jams to some music at the Youth Center.



While resting on the pool table freshman Colin Daro waits for his turn up to bat in the ping pong baseball game at the Youth Center.



Adapting to change

Every year has its special moments that distinguish it from other years. As society changed so did the lives of the students.

Outside the walls of DCHS the classification of seniors through freshmen didn't seem to matter anymore. Seniors were dating freshmen. This came as a shock to some of the older students. "When I was a freshman, I couldn't even look at a senior and they glared at me! Now it seems **ANYTHING** goes as seniors are dating freshmen," senior Anita Petersen said.

One of the most special moments for many students was the second national championship for the Nebraska football team. "I think the Fiesta Bowl game was just awesome! Everyone always said Osborne can't win big bowl games, **BUT** now he's amazingly done it two years in a row!" senior Jessica Taylor said.

Beyond the **ORDINARY** was the only way to classify the year with all the changes and special times DCHS students shared.

While snoozing on the shelf during a movie in Spanish class, junior Desarae Scott gets rested up for Christmas vacation.

S ummers Hectic

Janitors work year-round to prepare school buildings

Scrubbing and waxing classroom floors and hallways, shampooing carpets, and painting classroom walls were all part of the custodians' summer duties.

The custodians worked year-round at the school. They did most of their renovations and repairs during the summer months when

the students were out of school, despite the hot and humid temperatures.

The past summer was a challenge for the janitors because the contractors that were renovating and remodeling the building did not leave the school until three days prior to the beginning of the school year. This left the

custodians with having to wax the floors, paint some rooms, and finish all of their routine cleaning.

"The school was very disorganized with the desks in the hallways and floors needing to be mopped and waxed," Custodian Jerry Steager said.

by amy reynoldson

Support staff are Pat Supancheck, Adeline Petersen, Lea Graybill, Donna Allen, Meg Hlavac, Jerry Steager, Margaret Romshek, Charlie Romshek, and Barb Petrik. Not pictured are Keith Slonecker, Butch Lavicky, Arlene Proskovec, Christine Kozisek, Ramona Muntz, and Deb Shaffer.



School board members are (Front Row): Mary Lou Hilger, vice president; Diane Schroeder (Middle Row): Allan Steinberger, secretary; Dr. Vic Thoendel, president (Back Row): Reuben Schmale and Kenneth Miller.

Out of THE Ordinary

"When I was cleaning out my truck, I found a french fry that was probably a year old, and my friend ate it."

Billy Scribner

"When I clean out my room, I could probably start a fungus collection out of all the dirty dishes I find."

Becky Schmit



Student aides are (Front Row): Farooq Khan, Blaine Hayes, Aaron Hoeft, Marci Brandenburg, Carrie Schmit, Jessica Taylor, Sheila Sauberzweig, Carrie Marquis, Sara Bo Matt Davis (Middle Row): Anita Petersen, Amy Neemann, Greg Jahde, Tyler Behrens, K Bell, Michelle Thiemann, Jayson Polacek, Nathan Ellsworth (Back Row): Mike Bia Heather Dischinger, Jenny Sylvester, Amy Reynoldson, Echo Fuller, Desarae Scott, J Heins, and Ethan Kitto. Not pictured are Dave Battaglia, Jason Pelan, Patrick Pohler, Lu Shaffer, Tracy Garza, Gena Heller, Rick Kocher, Barb Einspahr, Cassie Burnett, Mar Lance, Jessica Shaffer, Nick Arps, Nick Chmelka, Jason Heller, Cody Parker, Shaun Sm Melissa Kovar, LeAnn Adamy, and Jessi Aldrich.

Our Times... *Anything But Ordinary*

Sophie Niemann and Naomi Petrik

1996

David City High School

Review of Year Reveals Highs and Lows

As most years are, this year was filled with good and bad, tragedy and achievement. Looking back at the months since school was out for the year, the following stories made the headlines.

June: On June 8, Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady was rescued from Bosnia after his plane was shot down.

July: Professional baseball players announced that they would strike.

August: "Waterworld," Kevin Costner's new movie, came out. Calvin Klein had launched a major advertising campaign when consumers didn't like the suggestive photographs. Microsoft came out with its new "Windows 95."

September: Bob Packwood resigned from the U.S. Senate. Letters from the Unabomber were published in the Washington Post and New York Times.

October: On the 3rd, the O.J. Simpson verdict of not guilty was released.

November: Israeli leader Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated. On the 14th, the U.S. government shut down due to money cuts.

December: The movie "Toy Story" came out and was a major holiday hit.

January: On the 2nd, the Nebraska football team won the Fiesta Bowl. This was their second national championship.

February: AIDS victim Magic Johnson returned

to the NBA.

March: In Dunblane, Scotland, a gunman walked into a kindergarten classroom and killed 16 students and injured several. Locally, four nineteen-year-olds drowned in Wagner Lakes at Columbus, due to an alcohol-related car accident.

April: On the 11th, seven-year-old Jessica Dubroff, who was trying to become the youngest person to fly across America, was killed when her plane went down after taking off in a storm. Her father and instructor also died.

On the 18th, former Nebraska football quar-

terback, Brook Berringer, was killed when the plane he was piloting went down and burned. On the 19th, 168 seconds of silence for the Oklahoma City bombing victims was observed.

On the 25th, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis auctioned off personal items. Going for big money were the 40-carat diamond ring, which went for \$2.59 million, and a single putter was sold for \$65,750.

May: Eighteen-year-old Kevin Allen was sentenced to life in prison for the killing of Omaha police officer Jimmy Wilson Jr.

As the 1995-96 school year came to a close, the news continued to unravel throughout the world.



It may look bare right now, but soon the fireplace would be glowing, the books would be on the shelves, and the community was getting excited. The Roman L. and Victoria E. Hruska Memorial Public Library would open on June 3 with a formal dedication on June 30. The new, one level library cost \$1.2 million and replaced the old Carnegie Library built in 1919 at a cost of \$10,000. Junior Nick Chmelka, sophomore Jessi Aldrich, freshman Chandra Givens, and librarian Kay Schmid take time out of their tour for a picture.

Cars Subject of Talk in Halls

Cutlasses, Mustangs, Berettas, Grand Ams, Cavaliers, Monte Carlos, and Cameros were a few of the cars driven at DCHS.

By the sounds of it one would think that everyone was rich or had rich parents, but that was not the case. "I had to buy my Monza myself. I bought it before I married Mr. Griffiths, and he still doesn't have his name on the title," teacher Kristi

Griffiths said.

Fifteen out of 38 people said that their parents bought them their car.

Although it seemed like more students were getting new cars, the old ones still stuck out. "The best vehicle in school is Grant Jones' Omni. It has the most rust of any car at school. There's a boom box for a radio and it never starts if it is below 60 degrees," senior Ryan Hough

said.

When it came to dream cars, many thought of the 1996 Mustang GT's, Cameros, Vipers, or classics. Although these were the cars they dreamt about, in 1996 Katie Steinberger was still driving an '85 Tempo, Todd Svoboda was behind the wheel of a '72 Chevelle, and Brad Ueckert lit up the road with his '75 Maverick.



Surprised with all the gifts and balloons she received for Valentine's Day and her birthday is junior Jenny Sylvester.

What's Hot &

Internet
Open Campus
Snow Days
Cappucino
Pizza Hut Pizza
Baggie Clothes
Natural Tan
Pepsi
Rock Music
Looks of Car
Couples
Slow Dancing
Starter Coats
Caps
Adam Sandler
Demi Moore
E.R.
Car

What's Not

1-800-Numbers
Closed Campus
Regular Days
Coffee
Hot Stuff Pizza
Tight Clothes
Fake Bake
Coke
Country Music
Speed of Car
Being Single
Fast Dancing
Letter Jackets
Do-rags
Jim Carey
Meg Ryan
Chicago Hope
4-Wheel Drive



What is your biggest fear?



"Being trapped and sealed in a room that is slowly filling with water."

Lisa Hlavac
Junior

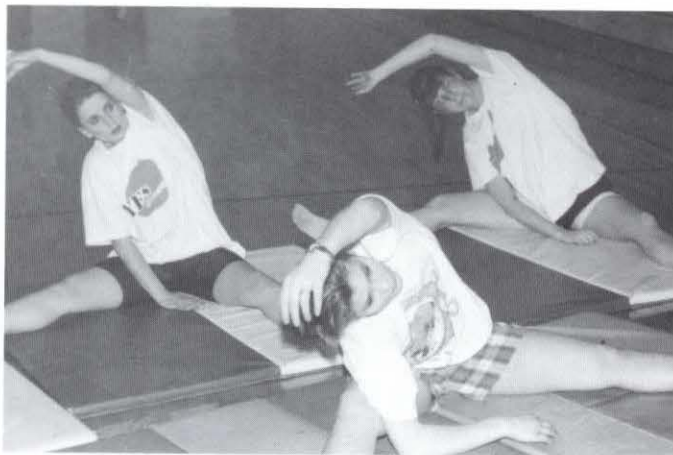


"Country Music affects you emotionally. Most of the time it makes me mad."

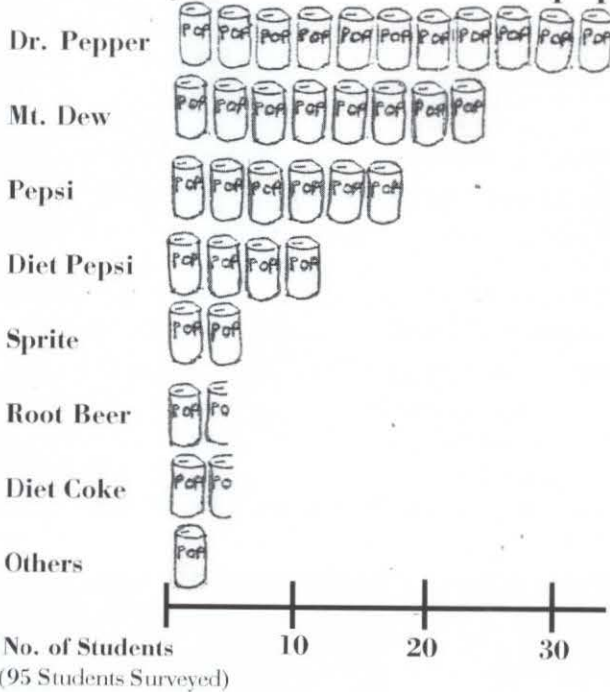
Jared Clark
Junior



Doing aerobics to workout videos became a Thursday morning habit. Stretching out are junior Lizette Haynes, Spanish teacher Jennifer Bell, and sophomore Michelle Thiemann.



What is your favorite kind of pop?



While some students drive new cars, Thadeus Greenwood prefers his '87 Italian Bertone and Todd Svoboda still likes his '72 Chevelle.



"Losing someone I love; to death."

Sherry Krivanek
Junior



"That I will get into an accident and I won't have clean boxers on."

Luke Cole
Junior



"Being chased by a big black dog."

LeAnn Adamy
Freshman

What would you do for five dollars?



"I would shave my head."
Tyler Behrns
Sophomore



"Carry Michael Nilsson's golf bag."
Derek Helgeson
Freshman

Sacking groceries at his part-time job at Didier's Grocery store is senior Aaron Hoeft. Many students worked after school and on weekends to earn extra money.

You Know You're a Senior When:

- You get mail everyday from different colleges
- Your grades start dropping 4th quarter & you don't care
- The Army starts calling you constantly
- Underclassmen you don't know ask for your senior picture

You Know You're a Junior When:

- You get to boss around underclassmen
- You have to put on prom
- You are more excited about graduation than the seniors
- You get into fights with seniors over who rules

You Know You're a Sophomore When:

- You get your driver's license
- You think you're all bad 'cause you can pick on freshmen
- You still find it fun to cruise around David City
- Guys/girls from other towns are getting hotter & hotter

You Know You're a Freshman When:

- You have to start doing fund raisers for your class
- Upperclassmen boss you around
- You get zits
- You *walk* "the drag" in David City every weekend



Surprising his daughter, Janelle, with a kiss during a pep rally is wrestling coach Gaylen Kamrath. Freshman Rachel Theewen enjoys knowing what Janelle doesn't know.





"A lot if I needed money bad. Everything in life has a price."

Carrie Marquis
Senior



"Lick the bottom of someone's shoe."

Jenny Sylvester
Junior



"I'd probably moon someone, egg a teacher's house, or send a fake lusty letter."

Leigh Petersen
Sophomore



Sporting their choice of hairstyles are (Bottom) Jennifer Plisek, Tracy Garza (Middle) Janelle Kamrath, Josh Wheeler, (Top) Lucas Shaffer, and Roderick Boss.

Did you know that there are:

- *541 lockers in the entire school
- *6 water fountains
- *1200 people is the capacity in the gym
- *185 stairs in the whole school
- *144 holes in a ceiling tile in Mrs. Griffiths' room
- *72 computers within the high school
- *2500 lbs. capacity in the elevator

Student Hairstyles Go Short

Looking around the halls and classrooms at DCHS, it was noticed that students had different hair styles, colors, and lengths.

Some girls went short and curly while others went long and straight. But what was really the popular style? Many of the girls surveyed said that long hair, straight or curly, always looked good. So why did so many girls decide to

chop it off this year? The short shag style was easier to take care of most of them agreed. Time was of value and hairstyles had a big effect on how much time a girl had to spend styling it.

Hairstyles were important to guys as well as girls and the guys' styles changed just as much as the girls. The most common style for men this year was a short buzz around the bottom

and a little longer on top. Another popular style seen on the guys was a short, clean cut.

"The most out of style hairdo right now is the big hair with high bangs. 'This is the 90's not the 80's,' senior Miranda Pernicek said.

Overall, short hair was in, but the final decision on hairstyle was up to the individual girl or guy.

Exchange Students Enjoy Year

Two foreign exchange students attended DCHS. Patrick Pohler from Germany stayed with the Jim Bathen family, and Michael Nilsson from Sweden stayed with Norm and Deb Merrill and family. Although from different countries, for a year they shared many of the same experiences while at DCHS.

Both Michael and Patrick were from bigger

towns so they had to adjust to the small town life. "David City is so far from everything, especially if you don't have a car. Other than that, I enjoyed living here," Nilsson said.

The chance to be an exchange student usually only comes along once in a lifetime, and for these guys they had made friends and memories that will last a lifetime. "I will always remem-

ber football season, homecoming, graduation, friends, the food, the school, and of course, the night life of driving around forever," Pohler said.

Both Nilsson and Pohler planned to keep in touch with their host families and some of the friends they'd made. They hoped that some day they might even be able to return to the United States for a while.



Enjoying a bike ride around town are foreign exchange students Patrick Pohler and Michael Nilsson. Nilsson had gotten his driver's license, but bikes were an important means of transportation for them.



What one thing would you like to know about the future?



"The lottery numbers for Powerball!"

Michelle Howe
Freshman



"How many guys I'll date before Mr. Right comes by."

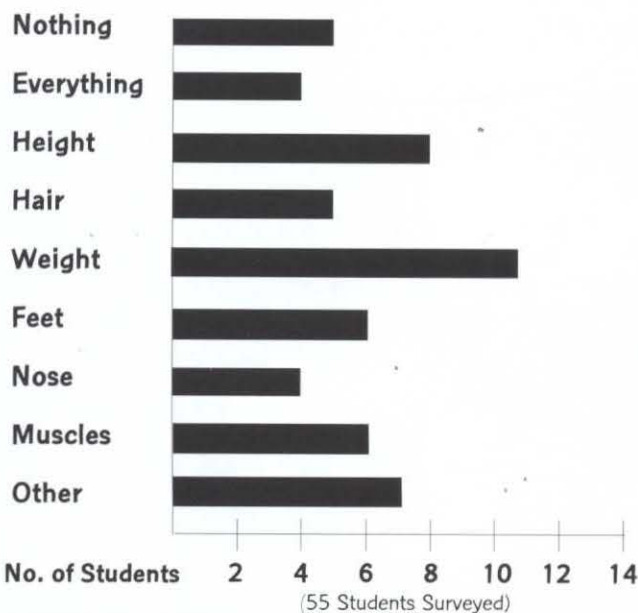
Christi Palens
Sophomore



Trying hard not to fall while ice skating are Chad Forney, Gena Heller, Barb Page, and Jennifer Plisek. Ice skating was one of the things the seniors did on their senior trip to Omaha.



If you could change one thing about your body, what would it be?



At post prom Luke Cole, Jeremy Roubal, Grant Jones, and Roderick Boss try to sing "Friends in Low Places" like Garth Brooks.



"How many more car wrecks I'll be in that aren't my fault."

Mike Bialas
Sophomore



"What color of fingernails I'll have when I die."

Jessi Aldrich
Sophomore



"If I was going to be a bum on the street, because then I would pay attention in class so I can get a good job."

Becky Schmit
Sophomore

Making Memories

Seniors remember picture taking as mostly an enjoyable experience

As the seniors began their last year of high school, they wanted to make sure they remembered everything and everyone, and that everyone remembered them.

Senior pictures were usually the first thing they did as a remembrance. Students traveled everywhere to get the pictures they wanted, but Columbus and

David City were the most popular.

"I went to Go's. They made it fun even though it was hot and windy," Mandy Brandenburg said.

Many decided that it was easier to stay in town. Gina Barlean was a very popular photographer with the seniors. "I chose her because she was in town and closer to my home. Her prices

were also a lot cheaper considering the great job she did. It was a lot of fun and she is really easy to work with," Steph Britton said.

For the most part everyone was satisfied with the experience and their portrait results. "It was fun, but I felt stupid smiling so long for no reason at all," Jessica Taylor said.

--naomi petrik

Out of THE Ordinary

"This summer I went to a concert, and my bumper fell off my car on the way. We didn't realize it until after the concert, and it took us awhile to figure out what happened to it."

Sheila Sauberzweig

"I wedged a pole between my hood and front end, driving in reverse."

Anita Petersen



Senior class officers are Jessica Taylor, treasurer; Sara Bock, vice president; Emily Schmit, president; and Anita Petersen, secretary.

Deciding on senior keys and tassels to order are Steph Britton, Sheila Sauberzweig, Mandy Brandenburg, Ryan Hough, and Carrie Schmit.





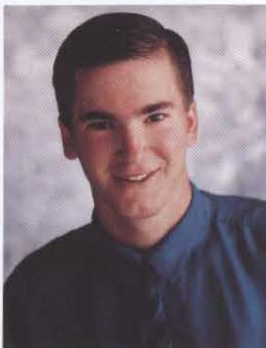
Dave Battaglia
Sara Bock
Mandy Brandenburgh
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Matt Davis
Jasmin Demirhan
Joe Ewert
Chad Forney



Corey Forney
Blaine Hayes
Gena Heller
Aaron Hoeft



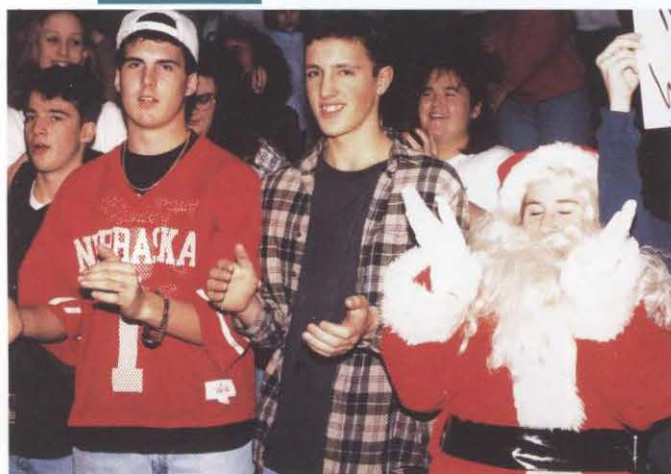
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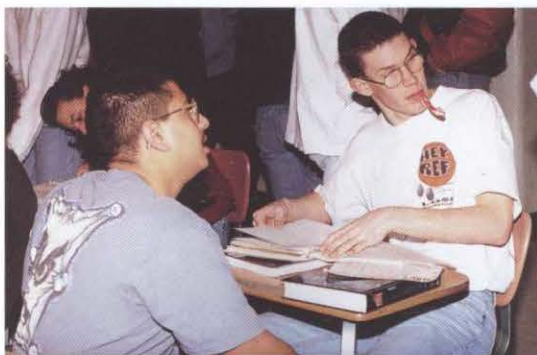
Farooq Khan
Rick Kocher
Carrie Marquis
Jason Navrkal

Admiring the Christmas trees at the 'Festival of Trees' are Jayme Vandenberg, Emily Schmit, and Steph Britton.

Showing school spirit at a girls basketball game during the holiday season are Matt Davis, Brook Hopwood, and Santa Claus (Amy Neemann).



Before the first bell rang in the mornings, many students were found socializing in the study hall. Two of those students were Farooq Khan and Shaun Smith.



Amy Neemann
Crystal Niemann

Michael Nilsson
Barb Page
Lenny Palensky
Shana Perdew

Miranda Pernicek
Anita Petersen
Jennifer Plisek
Patrick Pohler



Out of THE Ordinary

We had no school one day so I called my girlfriend. She said we would have school but it was two hours late. I hurried to school but nobody was around. **HE LIED!**

Chad Forney

Time is Valuable

Morning routines differ for arriving at school

Each day at 8:00 the bell rang to signal that classes would begin in 15 minutes. But many students had already arrived.

For some seniors it was in their daily routine to be to school by 7:45 or 7:50. "I get to school by 7:50 every day because I Love

School!" Sara Bock said. Socializing with classmates, catching up on homework, and getting a good parking space were popular reasons for getting to school early.

"I come early so I have time to organize my locker, put money in my lunch account, and sit and have my

donuts in study hall," Jessica Taylor said.

To some seniors donuts and organizing their lockers was not very important. They had bigger priorities. "I come to school at 8:05 because Sports Center doesn't get over until 8:00," Rick Kocher said.

--naomi petrik



Cathy Romshek
Sheila Sauberzweig
Carrie Schmit
Emily Schmit



Shaun Smith
Sheila Svoboda
Jessica Taylor
Jayme Vandenberg



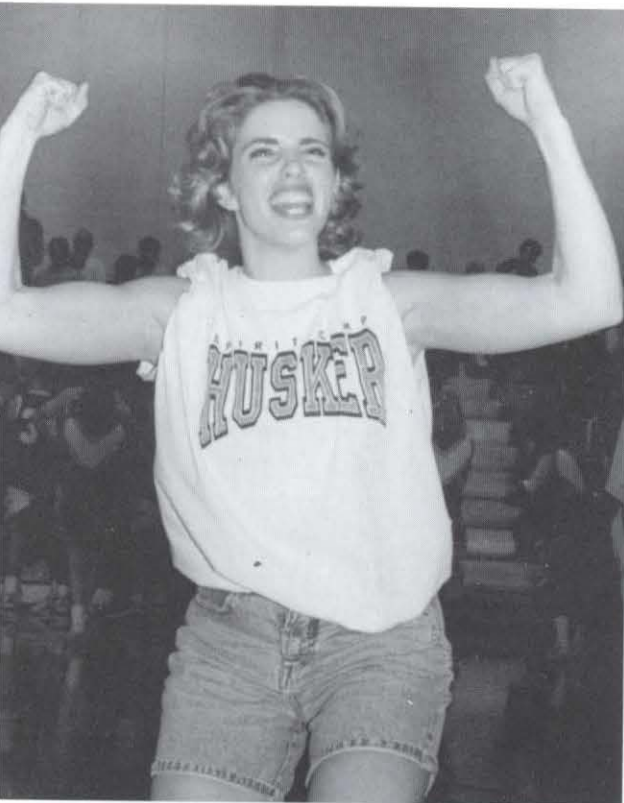
Josh Wheeler
Quintin Yonda

Warmed by the glow from the Homecoming bonfire, the seniors yell their class cheer to let everyone know that the seniors are fired up.

From their float, the Class of '96 yells their class cheer at the homecoming rally downtown.

Members of the senior class are (Sitting): Michael Nilsson, Gena Heller, Amy Neemann, Sara Bock, Shana Perdew, Matt Davis, Josh Wheeler, Dave Battaglia (Standing): Corey Forney, Quintin Yonda, Jason Navrkal, Joe Ewert, Greg Jahde, Barb Page, Jennifer Plisek, Blaine Hayes, Jayme Vandenberg, Lenny Palensky, Brook Hopwood (Up the Ladder): Noemi Huerta, Steph Britton, Anita Petersen, Sheila Svoboda, Miranda Pernicek (Down the Slide): Chad Forney, Emily Schmit, Aaron Hoeft, Farooq Khan, Rick Kocher, Mandy Brandenburgh, Cathy Romshek, Carrie Marquis, Jessica Taylor, Shaun Smith, Sheila Sauberzweig, Patrick Pohler, Crystal Niemann, Carrie Schmit, and Ryan Hough.





"Give me a U!" Spelling out the word 'Scouts' for the fans is senior Carrie Marquis.

Making submarine sandwiches at Stop-Inn is part of Sheila Svoboda's after school job. Many seniors worked after school.



Out of THE Ordinary

When I went to visit a friend at college, Luke Cole and his sister, Sara, went with me to take pictures. They were more excited to be there than I was."

Dave Battaglia

I went to the welcome home party for the Huskers. We waited outside for two hours to get in. It was so cool when the Huskers came and they dimmed the lights. It sent chills down my spine."

Carrie Marquis

Missing School

Seniors find many excuses for getting away from it all

Everyday a number of students were gone from school due to illness. With only 7% of the senior class having perfect attendance the first semester, some people wondered what the seniors did on days they weren't in school.

A lot of seniors used sick days to recuperate from an illness. In mid-December the flu bug hit the high school which caused a lot of absences. But some just felt like taking a break and stayed home every once in awhile to get away from the

everyday routine.

Sleeping, watching television or movies, and eating were the three most popular ways to spend sick days. "I sit at home and relax. Most of the time I don't feel good, but sometimes you need a break from school and all the problems you have to put up with," Corey Forney said.

Others said that because they needed to go to work after school, that motivated them to go to school some days. "I usually don't like missing school because you

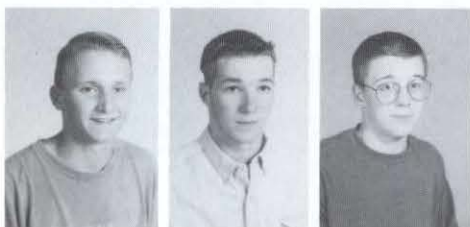
get so far behind, and also, if I miss school, I can't go to work either," Jennifer Plisek said.

Besides missing school due to illness, it was not uncommon for the seniors to pre-arrange a day off for personal reasons. Such days were used for visiting colleges or going to appointments.

Keeping students in school and absences under control, the school attendance policy allowed ten absences per semester not counting school activities.

Working together to make a sale are Brienna Samek and Albert Hotten during the junior craft fair held in October.

Marty Allen
Nick Arps
Bud Bell



Tim Bialas
Roderick Boss
Nick Chmelka



Luke Cole
Jim Cunningham
Nathan Ellsworth



Eddie Ethington
Echo Fuller
Thadeus Greenwood



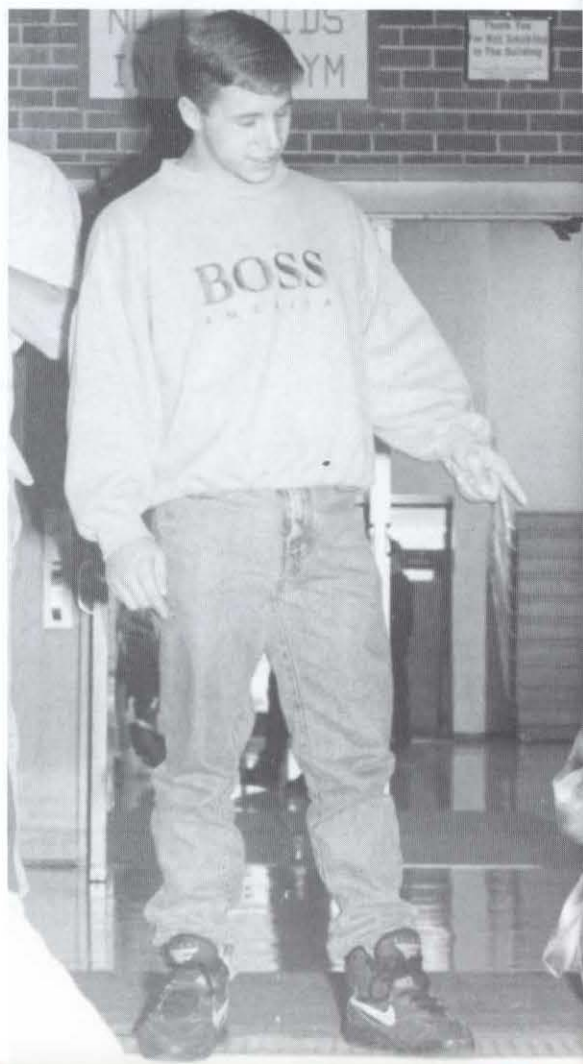
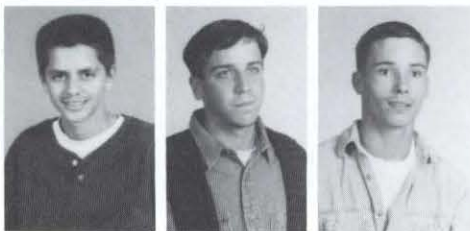
Lizette Haynes
Jake Heins
Jason Heller



Lisa Hlavac
Chad Horak
Albert Hotten



Qadir Khan
Joshua Kirby
Ethan Kitto



Out of THE Ordinary

"I make faces at myself in the mirror when nobody is looking. There're the 'don't talk to me face' and the 'kiss me face.'"

Brienna Samek

"I look in the mirror to make sure I don't have anything on my face or in my teeth."

Matt Otto

"When nobody is around, I flex my muscles in the mirror."

Todd Svoboda

Messing Around

Being all alone brings on some off-the-wall behavior

It always seems like life is more fun when nobody is watching.

"I was alone in my car looking for something to do when I pulled up to a stop sign. I jumped out of my car and did a Chinese fire drill with myself. I thought it would liven things up, but instead I just felt like an idiot," Tim Bialas said.

Students admitted that when they were alone they tried things they'd never do

with others around.

"I danced on my furniture while I was home alone," Albert Hotten said.

Some other things juniors said they did were flexing their muscles in the mirror, dancing with brooms, and talking to pets or themselves.

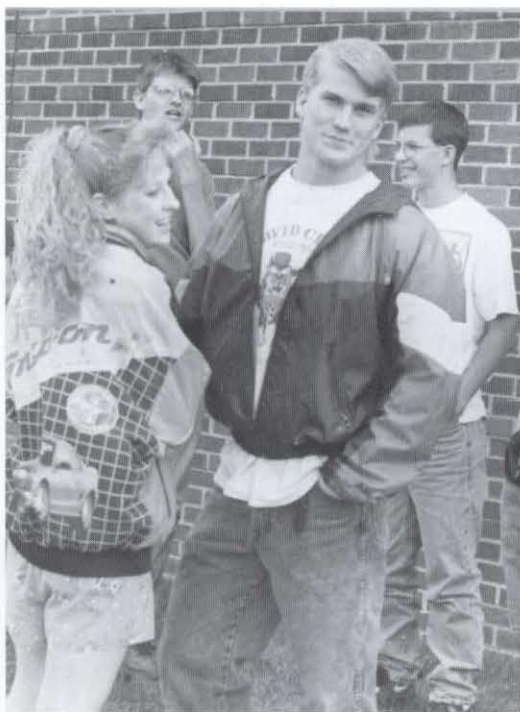
"I cuss at myself and then laugh at something funny I said," Nathan Ellsworth said.

Also talking to herself

was Sophie Niemann. "I have conversations with myself, but it's kind of like a rehearsal for a real conversation I'm going to have," Niemann said.

Another thing mentioned that many people have done is singing aloud to themselves. "When I am driving by myself, I crank up the radio and sing as loud as I can," Katie Steinberger said.

by echo fuller



Hanging out over the lunch hour are senior Jennifer Plisek and junior Jesse Thiemann. Behind them are sophomores Ryan Stava and Chris Meister.



Class officers are Sherry Krivanek, president; Sophie Niemann, vice president; Jeremy Roubal, treasurer; and Katie Steinberger, secretary.

Telling Luke Cole how it really is while they wait to go to their next class is Roderick Boss.

Weekends and Fun

Juniors fill their weekends with cruising, excitement

The junior class may have looked at fashions, food, or school differently, but there was one thing they all agreed on, having fun on the weekends.

The juniors said that they tried to make partying part of their weekend.

"On the weekends I cruise with my friends or look for parties. If I can't find a party, then I make one," Amy Reynoldson said.

If they couldn't find a party, they made the best of it. "On the weekends I try to find a party, but if I can't find one, I don't care what I do as long as I am having a good time," Luke Cole said.

Agreeing with him was Jim Cunningham. "On the weekends I go to parties and have fun. I just try to stay as far away from home and school as possible," Cunningham said.

Weekend fun also included cruising uptown. "When a Friday or Saturday night is boring, everyone just cruises uptown and stops to chat with friends in the middle of the streets," Desarae Scott said.

Weekends were a time to get away from school and have fun. "I hang out with anyone and everyone who wants to have fun!" Sherry Krivanek said.

--echo fuller

Out of THE Ordinary

"Echo, Amy, and I were on the Bruno highway when a cop passed us and flipped it around. I didn't have a license so we switched seats while Echo drove from the back seat."

Jenny Sylvester

"I had to decide if I was going to tell my dad that I wrecked the truck and then got into someone else's vehicle and hit a deer."

Susie Voboril

Jeremy Korth
Melissa Kovar
Patrick Kozisek
Sherry Krivanek
Chris Kwapnoski
Rochelle Murphy



Sophie Niemann
Deanne Ostry
Matt Otto
Naomi Petrik
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Jeremy Roubal



Brienna Samek
Desarae Scott
Billy Scribner
Lucas Shaffer
Brad Sliva
Melissa Solima



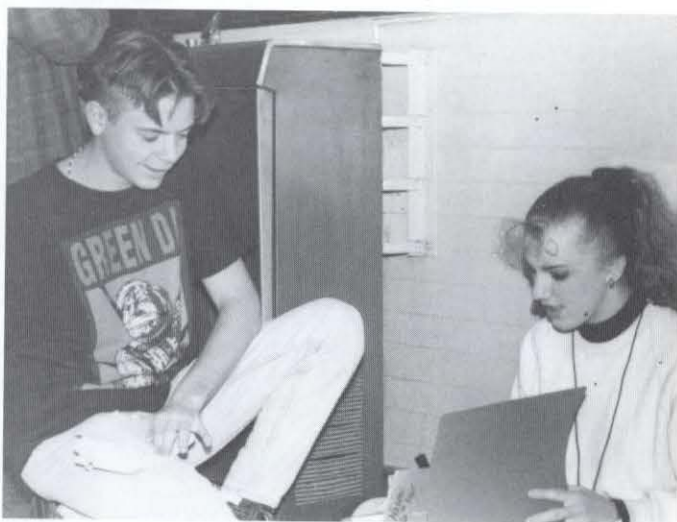
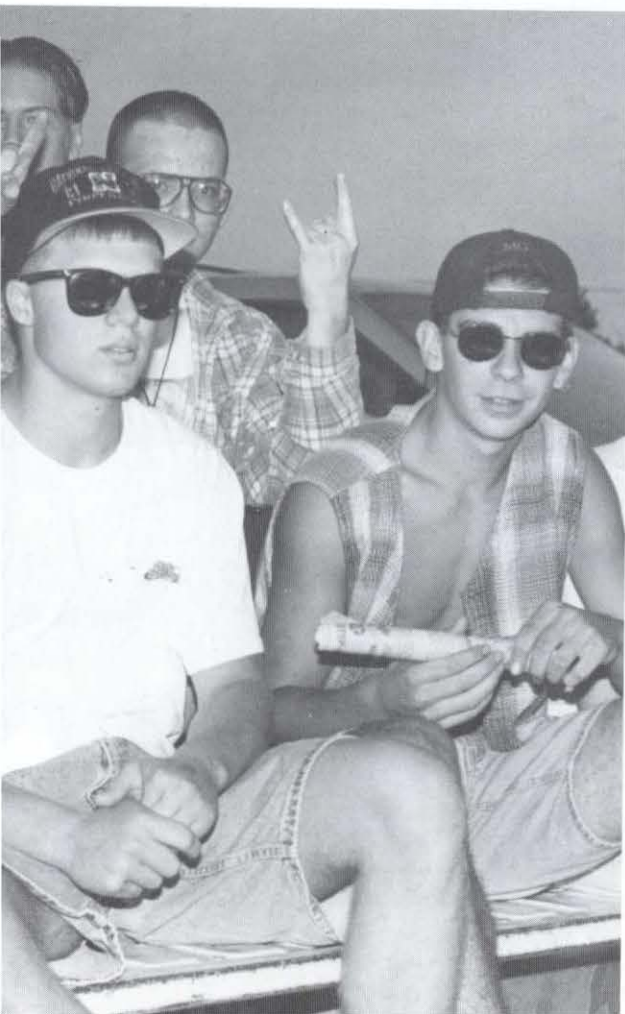
Lisa Stachitus
Katie Steinberger
Todd Svoboda
Jenny Sylvester
Jesse Thiemann
Susie Voboril





Behind that glamorous mask is junior Jeremy Roubal. Somewhat attracted to his new appearance are Desarae Scott and Echo Fuller.

Inspecting their hamburgers, Nick Arps and Tim Bialas work at the junior burger bash during the David City vs. Shelby football game.

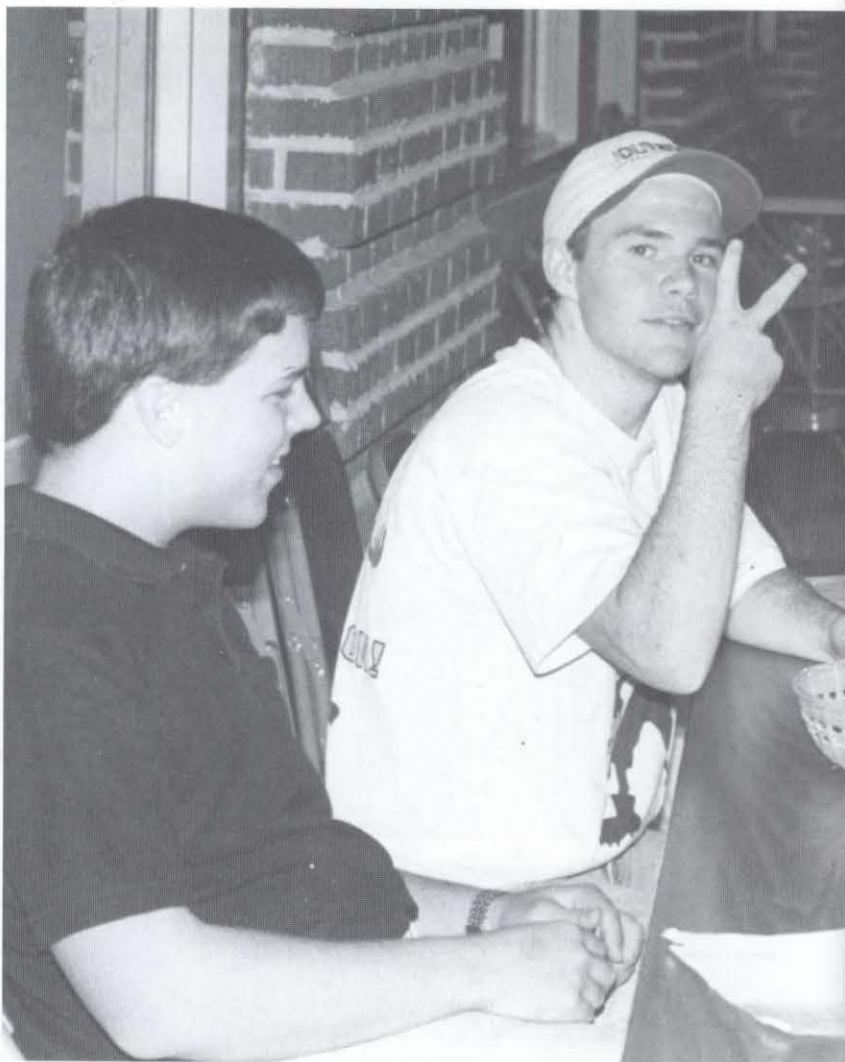


A chemistry test has Jeremy Korth and Naomi Petrik cramming for the test before school.

Trying to stay cool while watching a varsity football game are juniors Nathan Ellsworth and Brad Sliva and seniors Corey Forney and Josh Wheeler.

Jason Supancheck and Eric Marshall enjoy themselves while working at the sophomore class bake sale.

Getting in on a good conversation are sophomore **Michelle Thiemann** and freshman **Jayne Buell**.



Tonya Ainsworth
Jessi Aldrich
Jessica Andel
Gabe Bathen
Tyler Behrns
Katie Bell
Mike Bialas



Tana Bomberger
Greg Brabec
Jill Cameron
Kristin Chmelka
Lisa Cole
Danielle Dietrich
Heather Dischinger



Mike Egger
Barb Einspahr
Matt Fencil
Clark Fichtl
Becky Fletcher
Tracy Garza
Amy Grimm



Out of THE Ordinary

"Angie Hilger was at a dead sprint in front of all of us going to a movie. We slowed down to go inside, but Angie kept going and hit the glass window." Michelle Sauberzweig

"One day in English we closed Brad Sliva in the closet and left him there!"

Mandi Lukert

"I had a dream and God told me to come to school naked after Christmas break."

Grant Jones

"I tried to get out of the third door of a two-door car."

Angie Sunday

Cruisin' Around

Sophomores relive their first driving experiences

"I took the car around the block to park it in the garage. I was so excited, I had never driven before! Then I realized that I had to turn a corner, and well, I went in the ditch! I felt so stupid!" Angie Hilger said.

Learning to drive and that first driving experience is a big milestone in a person's life. That was true for the sophomores.

The sophomores who lived on farms learned to drive much earlier than others. "Living on a farm, I was expected to drive a lot. But, when I really learned to drive, I could barely reach the pedals!" Ryan

Zeilinger said.

Also learning to drive early was Steph Jones. At the age of 13, Steph and her dad were in their horse pasture. After flooring the gas pedal, almost hitting a fence, then slamming on the brakes, her dad said, "You did fine, but you need a little practice!"

Even those with larger yards learned to drive earlier than others. "I was driving around the circle in our yard, going 40 mph. I tried to turn the wheel, but it didn't happen fast enough," and I hit my brother Lenny's car!" Christina Palensky said.

Looking back on it, some sophomores thought learning to drive was rather funny. "When I got to my first stop sign, I stepped really hard on the brakes and everyone slammed into the dashboard! I didn't think it was funny then, but now I do!" Niki Wheeler said.

Still other sophomores considered their first driving adventure rather embarrassing. "I would rather not tell about it," Lisa Cole said.

The sophomores' first tries at driving were unforgettable experiences.

--katie bell



Class officers are Chrsi Schmit, secretary; Jenny Schwartz, treasurer; Steph Jones, vice president; and Grant Jones, president.

Working very hard at the FFA/FHA volleyball concession stand are Matt Jones and Clark Fichtl.

Janelle Gustafson

Brooke Hayes

Angie Hilger

Jeremy Hoshor

Junior Huerta

Amy Johnson

Grant Jones

Matt Jones

Steph Jones

Kelli Kobza

Candee Leu

Chad Loseke

Mandi Lukert

Eric Marshall

Vagas Mathiesen

Chris Meister

Shyla Meyer

Donna Morbach

Jeremy Novak

Keh Page

Christina Palensky

Cody Parker

Bill Peddicord

Grace Persinger

Leigh Petersen

Jayson Polacek

Brody Riha

Candy Russell-Forney

Michelle Sauberzweig

Chrisi Schmit

Becky Schmit

Ben Schultz

Jenny Schwartz

Jessica Shaffer

Daryl Shockley

Elizabeth Stachitus

Ryan Stava

Angie Sunday

Jason Supancheck

Bridget Thacker

Michelle Thiemann

Brad Ueckert

Amanda Vandenberg

Niki Wheeler

Ryan Zeilinger



Decorating the Christmas tree in the study hall are sophomore Barb Einspahr and freshman Michael Matulka.



Proudly displaying her plaque that Brad Ueckert, Clark Fichtl, and Matt Jones made is Leigh Petersen. With her are Donna Morbach, Becky Schmit, and Mr. Larry Rathbun.

Talking to his sister during the junior class craft fair is Greg Brabec.



**Out of
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This year we played a game in American history. Since I lost, I had to sing 'I'm a little rapot,' either in a high or low voice."

Lisa Cole

...t Bruno it was just after half time in a basketball game. Someone on my team got the rebound and passed it out to me, so I put it back up. The other team was glad for two easy points."

Kristin Chmelka

Staying Tuned In

Sophomores admit they're never too old for cartoons

"Yeah, okay, I'll admit it. I watch cartoons! And my favorite one is **Grimmi the Dog!**" Becky Schmit said.

But Schmit was not the only one. Almost every sophomore thought it was okay for teenagers to watch cartoons and admit it to others. "They're good TV, and I don't care if they know because they probably watch them, too," Jeremy Hoshor said about his

favorite cartoon **Bugs Bunny**.

Besides watching cartoons, sophomores even bought accessories with their favorite cartoon character on them. "I have pillows, stuffed animals, and jewelry with my favorite cartoon character, **Tweety Bird**, on them," Jessica Andel said.

Although most sophomores found it hard to find time to watch their favorite

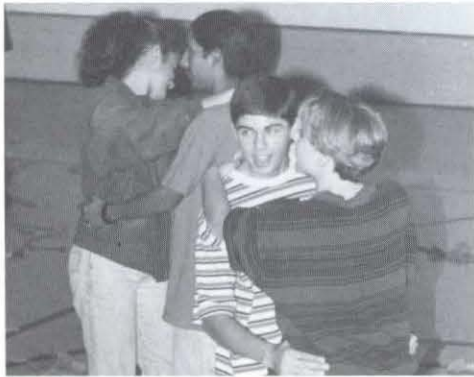
cartoon, there were still loyal fans. "I set my alarm on Saturday mornings so I can get up and watch **Winnie the Pooh**," Leigh Petersen said. Candee Leu and Mandi Lukert preferred the antics of **Scooby Do**.

The sophomores agreed that cartoons added fun and laughter to the stressful life of a teenager. In the famous words of **Porky Pig**, "That's all, Folks!"

by katie bell

Standing proudly by his farm equipment collection is Willis Smith.

Dancing at the FHA 'Just Because' dance are freshman Beth Forney, sophomore Junior Huerta, and freshmen Justan Wynegar and Haley Robinson.



Jesse Adamy
LeAnn Adamy
Niki Angell
Becky Barnes
Blake Behrns
Jayne Buell
Cassie Burnett



Richard Butters
Aaron Chubb
Andy Courtright
Bobby Cunningham
Colin Daro
Kara Didier
Dan Ellsworth



Kathryn Ethington
Wendy Fiala
Beth Forney
Lee Forney
Amber Garrison
Chandra Givens
Chad Gregory



Mark Hassebrook
Tiffany Hecker
Gretchen Heins
Clint Helgoth
Derek Helgoth
Jared Heller
Scott Hilger



Crystal Hollmann
Wendy Hollmann
Brett Hopwood
Michelle Howe
Ryan Hruska
Mark Johnson
Janelle Kamrath



Out of THE Ordinary

I have a collection of dirty clothes."

Amber Garrison

When I was little, I collected He-Man guys and stuff. I literally beat the crap out of them, but I wish I wouldn't have because they're worth about \$50 apiece."

Colin Daro

Treasured Stuff

Freshman collections fill lives with fun, excitement

Coins, micro machines, keychains, stuffed animals, pencils, farm toys, dolls, cards, and bottles. Collections were important to the freshmen.

"I have a collection of 50-cent pieces. Ever since I was little, my grandpa would give me one 50-cent piece for visiting, or more if I mowed the lawn or cleaned up the house," Tiffany

Hecker said.

For some freshmen, having two or more collections seemed to be pleasing. "I collect keychains, any kind of jewelry, R.L. Stine books, and glass or pottery figurines," Wendy Fiala said.

Collections were often started because of friend or family influences. Others, like Willis Smith, started

collecting because he was always around that kind of environment. "I have always been around farm implements and just started buying the toys. I've always had farm toys which, instead of playing with, I collected," he said.

For many of the freshmen, collections added interest and fun to their life.

--angie hilger



The freshman class officers are Rachelle Theewen, treasurer; Andy Courtright, president; Colin Daro, vice president; and Beth Forney, secretary.

Enjoying the football game are Craig Schmit and Jess Marburger.

Reading a note before school is Clint Helgoth. Enjoying the news are Harley Workman, Ryan Hruska, Don Moravec, T.J. Nickolite, and Todd Wright.

Putting It Off

Procrastination doesn't
always work for freshmen

"The test isn't for two more days! No, I haven't started studying!" "Clean my room? No one is coming over!" Putting things off was typical for the freshman class.

Deciding when to get something done depended on the project that needed to be done and how important it was. And on many projects, many of the fresh-

men chose to wait until the last minute.

"I tend to put things off unless it is a big project for an important class," Mark Hassebrook said.

School was not the only place things were put off. At home, many students found that putting things off got them in trouble.

"I put off chores. My parents shut off the fuse to

the TV and start yelling at me," Kathryn Ethington said.

Some needed motivation to accomplish things. For Richard Butters, all it took was his mother. "My mother motivates me to get things done because she'll ground me!" Butters said.

But whatever the consequences, the freshmen still put things off.

--angie hilger

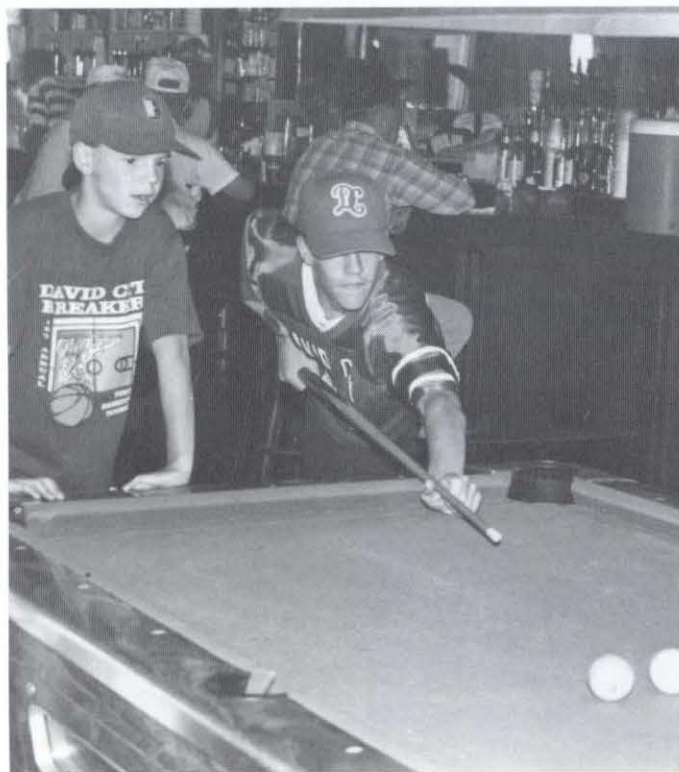
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"One thing I put off telling my parents was that my brother broke off the antenna on my boom box. They won't be happy when they find out. Hopefully, they won't ever figure it out."

Niki Angell

"I put off telling my dad I felt terrible because I thought he would make me miss my game."

Blake Behrns



Shooting some pool after school are Derek Helgoth and sophomore Tyler Behrns.

As a way of celebrating the Cornhuskers' victory in the Fiesta Bowl, Nathan Ladehoff and Jesse Adamy make a cornstalk out of a newspaper.





Chad Kershner
Nathan Ladehoff
Mandie Lance
Cory Lieberman
Jess Marburger
Michael Matulka
Kim Micek

Don Moravec
Amy Morbach
Nicole Napier
T.J. Nickolite
Tracy Patocka
Josh Peddicord
Jason Pelan

Doug Pesek
Melissa Petrik
Erin Polivka
Travis Rathje
Branden Rech
Rachelle Riha
Haley Robinson

Craig Schmit
William Skretta
Willis Smith
Rachelle Theewen
Jennifer Ventris

Nicki Williams
Harley Workman
Todd Wright
Justan Wynegar
Wade Yonda

Eating a dill pickle after a basketball game is Rachelle Riha.



Enjoying the warm weather at a football game are Janelle Kamrath, Wendy Hollmann, Crystal Hollmann, and Cassie Burnett.

To celebrate Halloween, the seniors sponsored the "Monster Mash." Dancing together are freshmen Jared Heller and Jayne Buell.

While sporting her new goggles, science teacher Mrs. Amy Sander mixes chemicals for the physical science class.

Taking volleyball stats is Mrs. Lori Niemack-Stejskal. Stejskal also played volleyball on a women's league team.



Larry Jess--Superintendent Tim Hoffman--Principal Jim Angell--Vocational agriculture, computers Amy Backstrom--Math Denise Banker--English, P.E. Kevin Behrens--Science

Jennifer Bell--Spanish, middle school math Dorothy Byers--Media specialist, study skills Dale Cooper--Math, adult education Judy Davis--Family and consumer sciences Dan Dimmitt--Algebra, middle school math and science Kristi Griffiths--Business, journalism

Larry Griffiths--English, journalism Lilas Lou Grotelueschen--Middle school language arts, reading, social studies Mary Ann Jess--Special education Gaylen Kamrath--Industrial technology Audrey Mathiesen--English, speech Deb Merrill--Vocal music

Lori Niemack-Stejskal--History, middle school language arts and social studies Candace Niemann--Special education Mona Petersen--Keyboarding, computers Larry Rathbun--Instrumental music Randy Rech--P.E., athletic director Jeff Reed--Art, weights



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During technology class we were launching pop bottle rockets filled with water. Mr. Rathbun was observing the procedure of pumping air with an air pump into the bottle rockets. We were having a little trouble getting the rocket to blast off. Mr. Rathbun was in the wrong place at the wrong time. He got totally sprayed with water from head to toe.

Mr. Gaylen Kamrath

Casual Fridays

T-shirts, sweatshirts join faculty's closets, classes

The appearance of the school had changed and with that, the clothes of the teachers. The DCHS staff, by paying one dollar, could participate in "Dress Down Friday."

Clothing worn on Fridays included the new red T-shirts and sweatshirts. Printed on the back was the school's mission statement. "I believe in the mission statement. This is a great way to show how much I really care for education," resource teacher Mrs. Candace Niemann said.

Some teachers thought wearing casual clothing helped to relax students and make the environment more suitable for teenagers and themselves. "Dressing down shows students that teachers are 'regular' people, too. It also helps students and teachers relate to each other a little more," science teacher Mr. Kevin Behrens said.

However, other teachers felt that wearing T-shirts and sweatshirts toned down the work atmosphere. "Teachers look more pro-

fessional when wearing a tie or nice dress clothes," band director Mr. Larry Rathbun said.

"I was a little reluctant as this didn't seem 'professional' to wear casual clothes, but so far it has gone quite well," math teacher Mrs. Amy Backstrom said.

Regardless of their feelings, the teachers agreed on one thing. Wearing the DCHS clothing was an option, but the real task was still to continue the excursion of education.

--leigh petersen



Amy Sander--Science
Mike Smith--Social studies
Tony Weinandt--P.E., weights



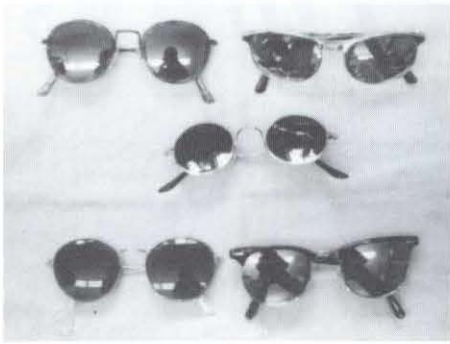
Jerry Wiggins--Guidance counselor
Gayle Henry--Bookkeeper/secretary
Betty Betzen--Secretary



Pam Schmid--Secretary
Pam Kabourek--Resource aide
Eileen Kucera--Resource & library aide

In keyboarding freshmen Nicki Williams and Josh Peddicord get help from Miss Mona Petersen. Petersen "dressed down" most Fridays.

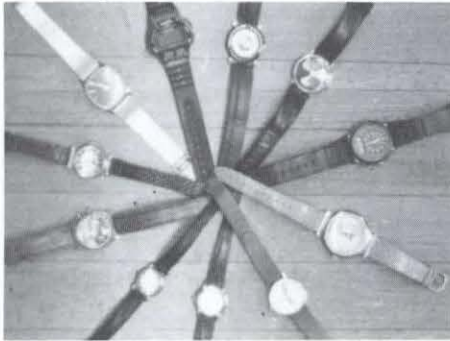
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SHOES



RINGS



WATCHES

PERFUME/COLOGNE

HAIR ACCESSORIES



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Anything your parents could have worn to school is out of style."

Angie Sunday

"I hate having the same shirt as someone else, however, I really don't wear any out of the ordinary things."

Angie Hilger

"I like to wear unusual hair accessories and socks."

Anita Petersen

"Anything is in style except baggy pants with a pink polo shirt."

Steph Jones

Fads of the 90's

Price, family, friends influence fashions chosen by students

Flannels, tight shirts, baggy pants, or just anything big and loose became the style of the 90's.

"Casual clothing and clothes that are comfortable are in style," freshman Travis Rathje said.

Students trying to be 'in style' were influenced by friends, magazines, parents, and especially, price. "If I don't have much money, I can't buy clothes," senior Mandy Branden-

burgh said.

Brand names were a huge influence, also. Most students preferred brand names over no name brands. "They seem to be good quality items even though they're expensive," senior Anita Petersen said.

Peer pressure influenced what students purchased. Not many students liked to be different or dared to start new trends. "I try to wear the same things

as everyone so I don't feel left out," freshman Rachelle Theewen said.

Although most gave in to peer pressure, some dared to be different. "I like to buy things no one else wears," freshman Melissa Petrik said. "I wear what I want to," sophomore Chrsi Schmit said.

All kinds of fashions were beginning to filter into the 90's.

--becky schmit

Many styles were seen in the everyday lives of students. These styles ranged from the casual everyday look of jeans, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and loose clothes to the dressier slacks, miniskirts, ties, and dresses worn on game days. Modeling the different styles on the front steps of DCHS are Jeremy Roubal, Brook Hopwood, Mandi Lukert, Bridget Thacker, Candee Leu, and Crystal Hollmann. Kara Didier, Todd Wright, Tyler Behrns, and Colin Daro enjoy the outdoors as they model the styles of the 90's.

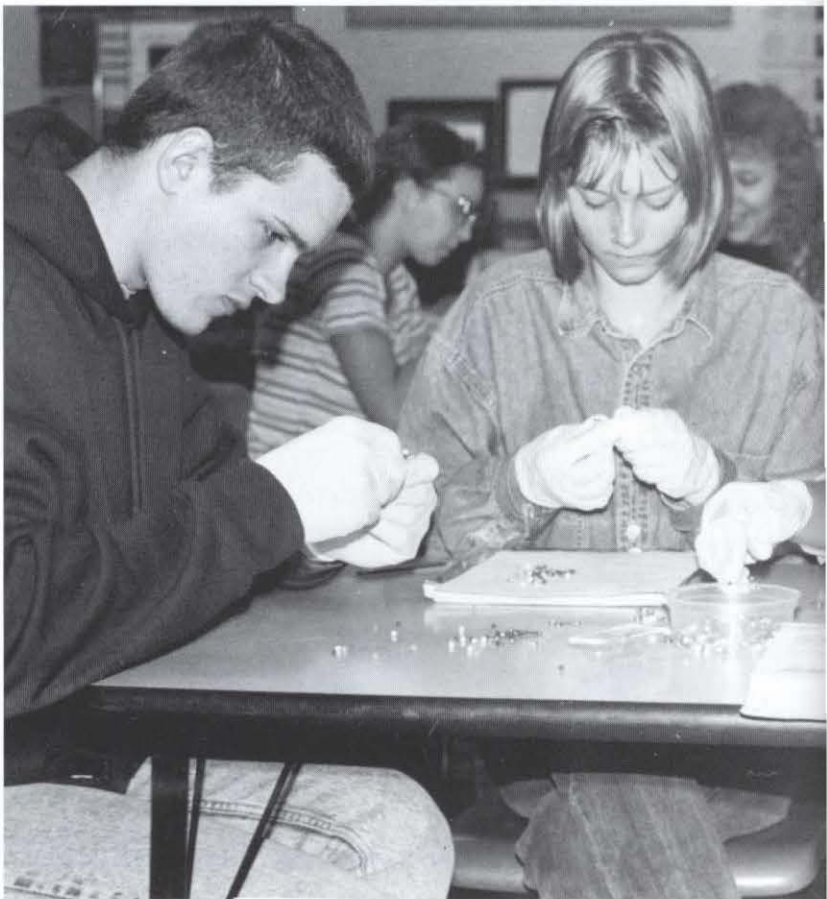


General business class participated in an activity involving productivity. Senior Quintin Yonda and sophomores Shyla Meyer and Steph Jones try to meet their quota making friendship pins.

Disguising herself, senior Anita Petersen puts a pantyhose over her head during a physics lab.



Videotaping a project for American History, junior Lisa Stachitus gets the camera focused for action while sophomore Elizabeth Stachitus stands behind the scene.



Striving to excel

As school got into full swing, students began to get used to the new facilities, teachers, and classes. They strived to maintain good grades, and most of them were willing to do almost **ANYTHING** for them--even study.

Students also realized that as they got older, the classes got more challenging. "The classes I'm taking this year are more advanced and require more dedication and time. However, this will better prepare me for college," junior Sherry Krivanek said.

BUT, students weren't the only ones who strived to excel. Teachers started changing their **ORDINARY** teaching ways to make students want to learn and to prepare them for the real world. "I like the way teachers are trying to teach us. They're making learning fun and interesting," junior Lizette Haynes said.

All in all, students realized that broadening their minds could be fun and beneficial at the same time.



Passing time during Spanish class, sophomore Mike Bialas chats with junior Matt Otto.

Making Memories

Students recall events

by Echo Fuller

Many hours of hard work were put into **The Scoop** and **The Scout**. But at times the journalism staff needed a break from layouts, picture taking, and deadlines to relax, unwind, and make some memories.

One journalism requirement was that students supply the class with treats on their birthday. These times, as well as the Christmas parties, brought some memorable moments.

'Our parties are fun. It's a relaxing way to honor special days and to feed Echo,' teacher Larry Griffiths said. Most students agreed the parties were great, but they could do without Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths' singing.

A highlight of the Christ-

mas party was the gift exchange. 'Our Christmas party was fun, but Mr. Griffiths only got me four pieces of candy,' sophomore Katie Bell said.

Besides the parties, other crazy happenings were memorable. Naomi Petrik and others toilet papered Mrs. Griffiths' Monza.

Amy Reynoldson lost her homecoming layouts and pictures, but Jenny Sylvester and Naomi Petrik saved her life by digging through the dumpster and found them.

'I'll never forget the time Jenny Sylvester locked Mrs. Griffiths' filing cabinet with the keys inside it. Jenny's face was worth a million,' junior Desarae Scott said.



Journalism staff includes (Front): Katie Bell, Lisa Cole, Becky Schmit, Leigh Petersen, Angie Hilger (Middle): Sheila Sauberzweig, Amy Reynoldson, Naomi Petrik, Mr. Larry Griffiths, newspaper adviser; Mrs. Kristi Griffiths, yearbook adviser; Sophie Niemann, Josh Wheeler, Jenny Sylvester (Back): Nick Arps, Desarae Scott, Echo Fuller, and Eddie Ethington,

Helping sophomores Katie Bell and Lisa Cole is junior yearbook co-editor Sophie Niemann.



Teaching sophomore **Angie Hilger** how to put her yearbook pages on the computer is senior co-editor **Sheila Sauberzweig**.

At the Christmas party juniors **Jenny Sylvester** and **Nick Arps** enjoy playing with the toys Nick received as gifts.



We asked

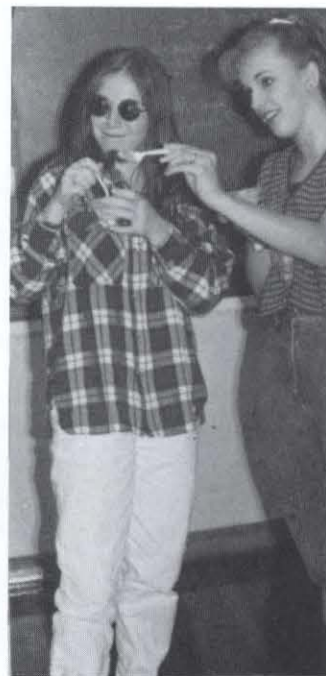
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students:

How many of you read the Yikes/Likes first in **The Scoop**?

Positive Response:

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After the Walsworth journalism workshop in Columbus, juniors **Echo Fuller** and **Naomi Petrik** eat some ice cream.

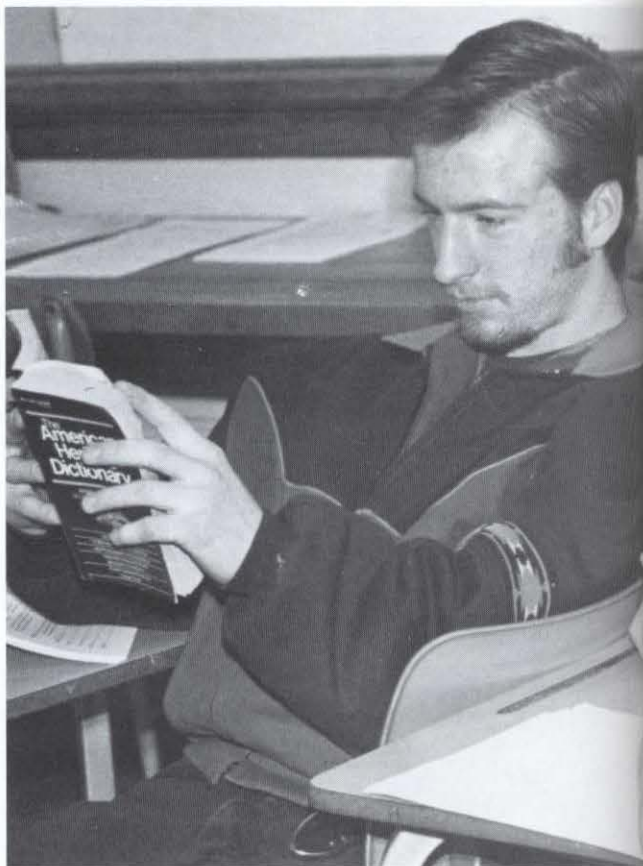
Preparing the October edition of **The Scoop** are **Desarae Scott**, **Sheila Sauberzweig**, **Becky Schmit**, **Eddie Ethington**, and **Jenny Sylvester**. **The Scoop** and **The Scout** received 1st class awards for 1994-1995.



Amazed, Vanna (Steph Jones) uncovers another letter while playing 'Wheel of Fortune' in Ms. Denise Banker's sophomore English class.



Using the dictionary in Advanced Applied English is senior Jason Navrkal while foreign exchange student Michael Nilsson works on homework.



We asked

43

students:

Would you rather choose your own book to read in English?

Positive Response:

33



Drawing cars and labeling their parts in Spanish II are Susie Voboril, Noemi Huerta, and Jason Heller in the background.

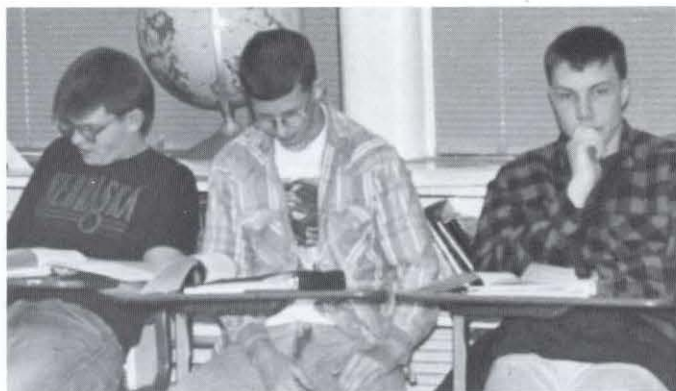
On a sociology field trip, seniors Carrie Marquis and Crystal Niemann talk to one of the residents at David Place.





Giving the lesson is Spanish teacher Jennifer Bell while sophomore Shyla Meyer watches freshman Haley Robinson doodle.

Preparing for a discussion in American History are sophomores Ryan Stava, Chris Meister, and Ben Schultz.



One More Chapter Reading interests vary

by Eddie Ethington

"Read Chapters 15-23 by tomorrow. Be prepared for a discussion on it!" Some students didn't mind or had already read the assigned chapters, but others had a hard time completing the reading.

About one-third of the students surveyed said they didn't like to read assigned books. Reasons ranged from the books being boring to not applying to them. Some found it hard to read assigned books because they didn't have time and couldn't keep up while others felt the class moved too slow for the pace they liked to read.

Some books students were required to read were **The Contender**, **One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest**, **My Antonia**, **Fahrenheit 451**, **Durango Street**, **Summer of My**

German Soldier, **The Jungle**, **Macbeth**, **And Then There Were None**, **The Scarlet Letter**, **A Tale of Two Cities**, **Treasure Island**, **Ethan Frome**, **The Old Man and the Sea**, and **Lord of the Flies**.

Some books were popular and others were not. At the top of the list of unpopular books was **The Old Man and the Sea**. "Is the 'old man' done fishing yet?" senior Crystal Niemann wanted to know.

Although many agreed on their least favorite book, favorite books varied. "My favorite book was **Summer of My German Soldier** because it was about real life," junior Sophie Niemann said.

"I liked **Eric** because it had to do with a boy our age," senior Sara Bock said.



Art Expressions

Students try new tools

by Desarae Scott

A number of creative students liked to express their talents through art. Whether it was drawing, painting, or sculpting the art department tried to provide opportunities for the students to express themselves.

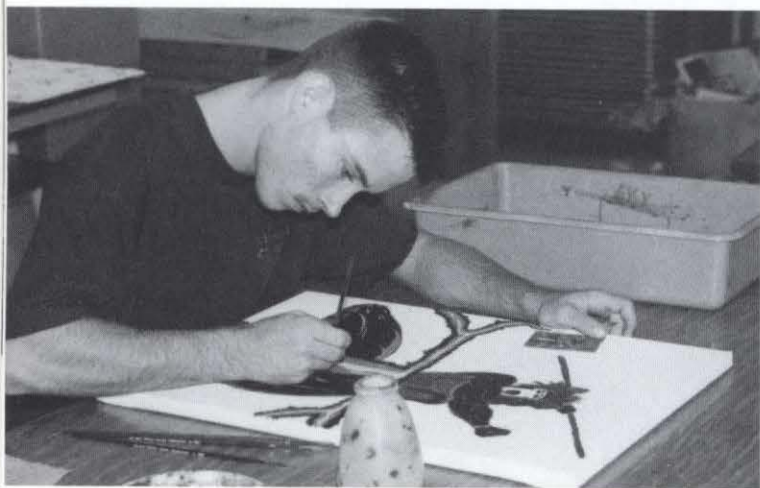
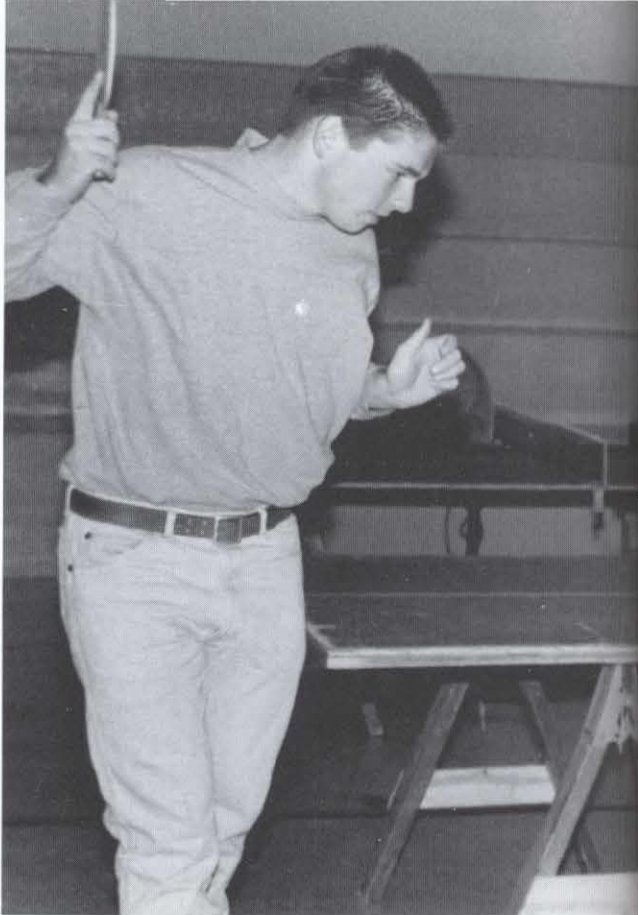
Among the variety of interesting tools the art department had to choose from, the most recent purchases were the air brushes and computers. The Art II, III, and IV classes had the opportunity to use these new tools.

Three air brush units with compressors were available. There were a variety of different things that could be done with the air brushes. The students mostly worked with basic

stencil paintings.

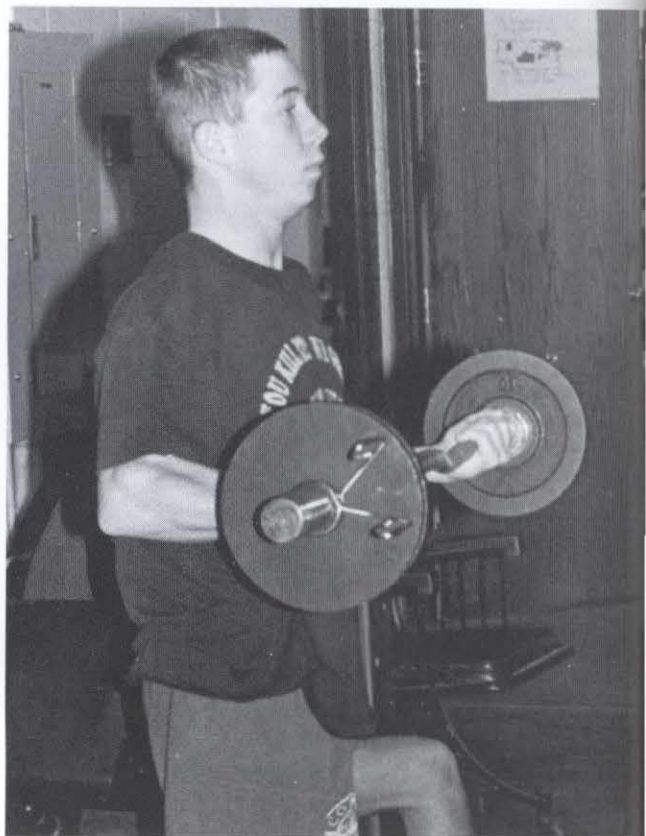
The computers were a very handy tool to have in the art department. At this time, they had all the same programs on their system as the basic network. "We still have to learn a lot more about what can be done with the computers. In the future we hope to use them in conjunction with the other courses throughout the school," art teacher Mr. Jeff Reed said.

The computers and air brushes were a nice addition in that they gave the art department more versatility and variety. "I like them because they are a change from doing the same stuff that we have been doing since junior high," senior Barb Page said.



While in Art III class, junior Ethan Kitto concentrates on getting his painting just right.

Weight lifting is hard work as shown by sophomore Mike Bialas.

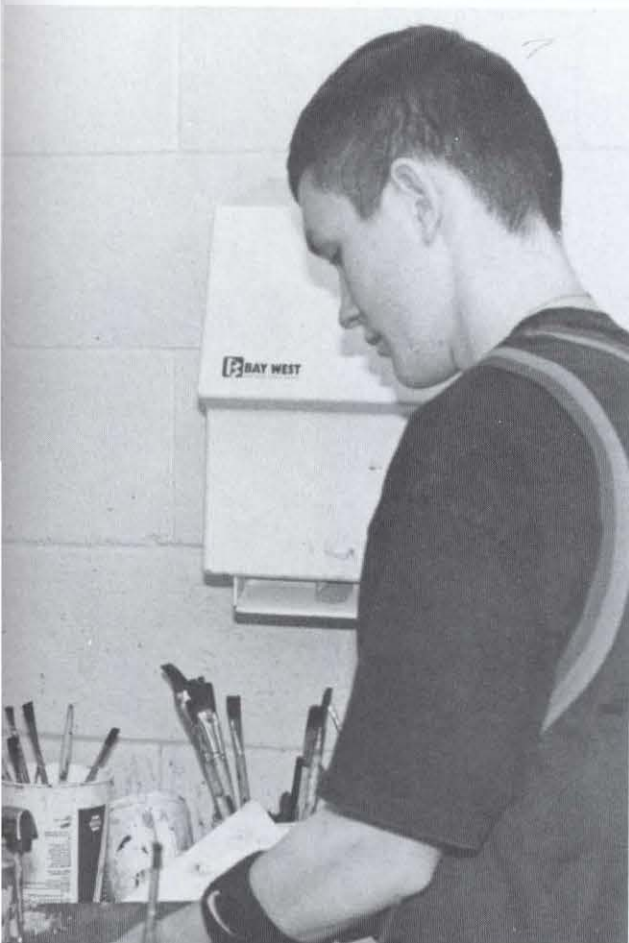




While in lifetimesports seniors Rick Kocher and Carrie Marquis practice on their ping pong skills.



Getting help on their assignments from resource teacher Candace Niemann are freshmen Chad Gregory, Doug Pesek, Josh Peddicord, and Jason Pelan.



Studying very hard in the resource room is senior Chad Forney.

Cleaning up after a painting project in Art I is freshman Harley Workman.

We asked

16

students:

How many art projects have you enjoyed?

Average Number:

4

The Computer Age

DCHS keeps up-to-date

by Lisa Cole

The computer age wasn't dying down or going away. It wasn't a fad like guys wearing ponytails or girls wearing big hair. The computer age was growing and here to stay.

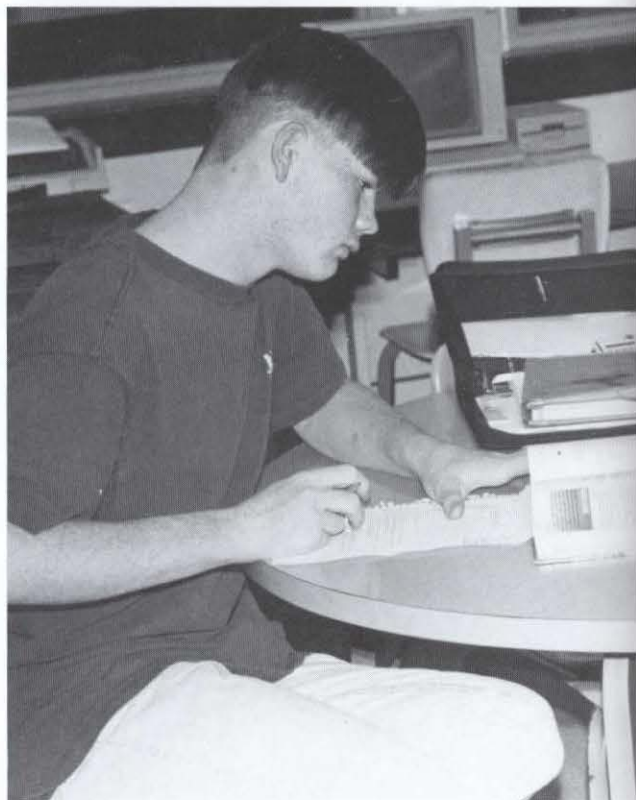
To keep up-to-date with the computer age DCHS purchased new computer equipment consisting of a more powerful file server, a laser printer in the program lab and elementary lab, 18 new Macs for the elementary, 12 IBMs for the key-boarding lab, Windows and Windows-based software, and cabling throughout the school. The equipment cost about \$110,000, which was to be paid for over a five-year period.

The new computer

equipment was good for the school and the students. "The new equipment has helped students by providing the opportunity to learn computer applications using the same types of environment that all business and industry are using. Our students need all the advantages that we can give them in order to compete and succeed in our world today," teacher Jim Angell said.

Students agreed with the teachers about the new computer equipment. "The new equipment is much easier to work with and it gives you lots of options to choose from," sophomore Kelli Kobza said.

Working hard to get his homework done in the library is junior Lucas Shaffer.



Library aides are (Front Row): Cassie Burnett, Sheila Svoboda, Sara Bock, LeAnn Adamy, Cody Parker (Back Row): Jesse Thiemann, Jeremy Roubal, Lucas Shaffer, Thadeus Greenwood, and Jason Pelan.

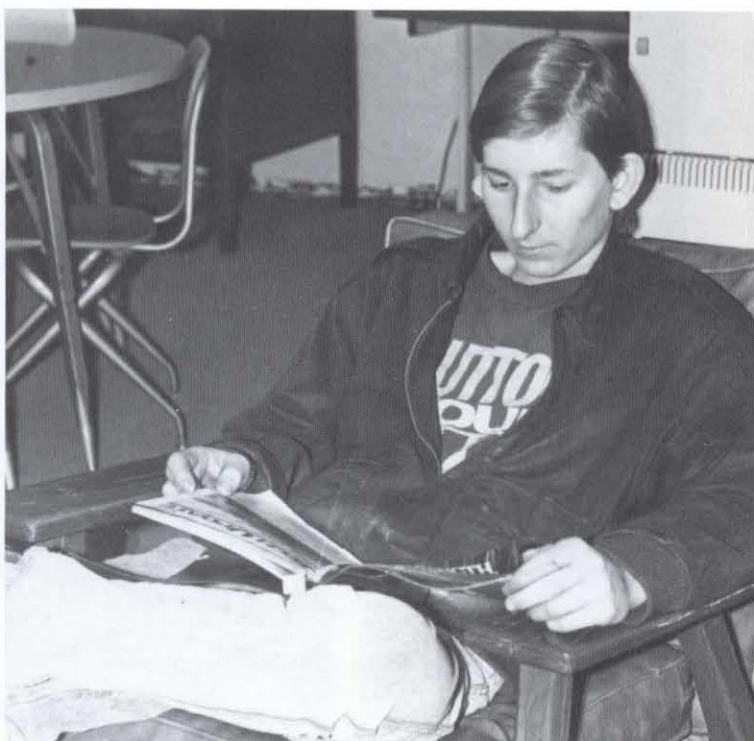
As the bell rings, freshman Josh Peddicord pushes in his chair as he gets ready to leave the library.





Several IBM computers were added to the library. Sophomore Barb Einspahr works hard to get her research paper typed.

Reading a magazine in the library is junior Thadeus Greenwood.



We asked

27

students:

Do you prefer
Windows over
Microsoft Works?

Positive
Response:

26

Typing in their 8th hour computer applications class are junior Deanne Ostry and sophomore Brooke Hayes.

Identifying blood cells in Biology II is junior Brienna Samek.



Waiting to see what effect carbon monoxide has on a white sock are Jenny Sylvester, Barb Page, Bud Bell, Matt Otto, Jesse Thiemann, and Jennifer Plisek.



We asked

35

students:

What % of labs made the material easier to understand?

Average
Number:

31

While Mrs. Amy Backstrom works at her desk, freshmen Wendy Fiala and Jared Heller work together on their geometry assignment.





Getting her body fat measured by sophomores Danielle Dietrich and Grace Persinger is sophomore Kelli Kobza. Experiments like this were part of the changing science curriculum.

Purpose Revealed Knowledge adds to life

by Katie Bell

"What is the purpose?" DCHS students asked themselves this question about their math and science classes.

"We use math on a daily basis such as for telling time and counting money," teacher Amy Backstrom said. As Backstrom taught these everyday skills, she allowed students to work in groups to get things accomplished on time and to do some fun activities.

"We worked in groups during geometry. It was usually fun and an easy way to get the homework done," sophomore Lisa Cole said.

"We use science everyday without even knowing it," teacher Amy Sander said. Sander's physical science class learned that without friction they could not do anything in life. They

wouldn't even be able to pick up a pen or even sit down!

Along with all of this learning, there were labs and experiments. The experiments were a valuable part of science classes. "I looked forward to doing experiments during class. They were a fun way to see how things work," freshman Chandra Givens said.

Through experiments and group work students got to know their classmates. "I didn't realize what a coward Luke Cole was until we had to draw blood from our fingers in physiology," sophomore Jeremy Hoshor said.

When the students realized that math and science did have a purpose, they accepted the fact and were ready to learn.



Performing a dissection in Biology II are sophomore Angie Sunday and junior Jake Heins.

In geometry freshman Kara Didier finishes her teselation.

Thinking It Over Parenting isn't so easy

by Amy Reynoldson

Imagine waking up at 1:30, 3:00, and around 6:00 in the morning to stop a doll from crying.

Each student in adult living and independent living classes had the chance to experience the reality of parenting an infant for 48 hours when the school rented the 'Baby Think It Over' dolls from the ESU for a month. The dolls were very costly, so a consent and responsibility form was given to the parents before the students were allowed to work with them.

"I had fun with the baby at first, but then it started to cry for 30 minutes at a time. It was a real pain in the rear," senior Miranda Pernicek said. The cry that the computer put out was very much like that of

a real baby.

The dolls contained a computer system that made the baby cry at different times throughout the day and night. The students were then responsible for stopping the baby from crying.

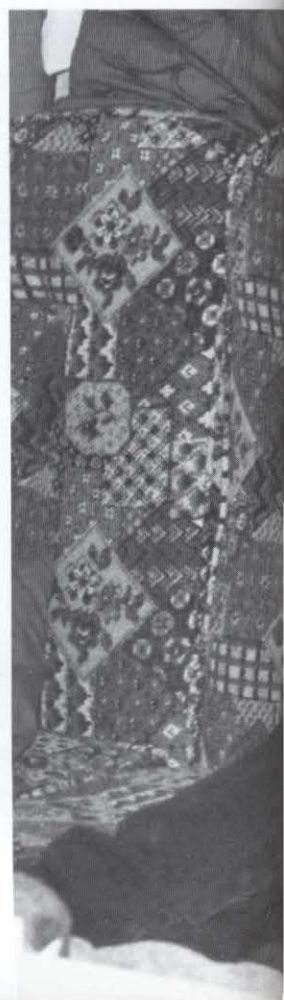
If any type of abuse or neglect was done to the infant, it would enter into the computer where Mrs. Judy Davis, the class instructor, would grade the students on their behavior. At the end of the 48 hour period, of which the students had the infants, they had to write an evaluation.

The main point of this project was to "show us how difficult it is to constantly have to take care of something," senior Carrie Marquis said.

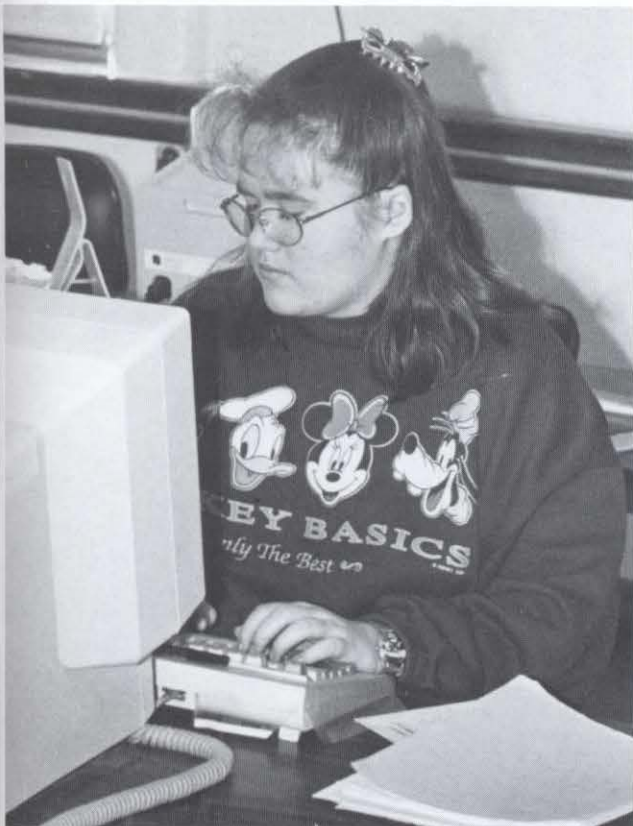


In technology class sophomore Daryl Shockley, junior Chris Kwapnoski, and senior Chad Forney race their vehicles.

Tipping her baby to get the doll to cry and show how abuse registers in the computer is senior Amy Neemann.



As a productivity project in general business, senior Quintin Yonda and sophomore Shyla Meyer make friendship pins.



Drafting in Architectural Drawing class are sophomore Gabe Bathen and junior Patrick Kozisek.



We asked

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students:

Did you follow
the recipes ex-
actly in class?

Positive

Answers:

24

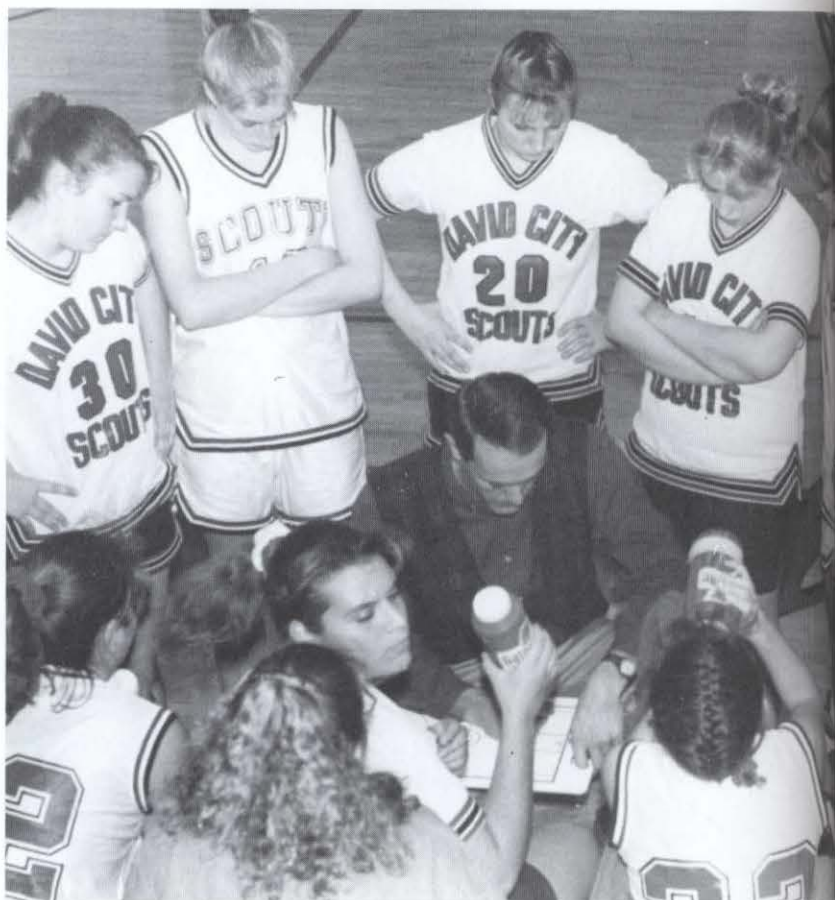
Showing a little humor after
the wedding ceremony in adult
living are seniors Barb Page and
Lenny Palensky.

Huddling around Coach Behrens during a time-out are JV basketball players Donna Morbach, Angie Sunday, Amy Morbach, Jenny Schwartz, Crystal Hollmann, Kara Didier, Rachelle Riha, Elizabeth Stachitus, Tiffany Hecker, Becky Schmit, Chrisi Schmit, Kelli Kobza, and student manager Steph Crook.

Against the Aquinas Monarchs in the holiday tournament senior Brook Hopwood goes up for a lay-up.



Soaring through the air in the long jump at the North Bend track meet is senior Dave Battaglia.



Reaching for success

As the Scout teams spent months practicing for their turn to shine, they set their goals high and were determined to do **ANYTHING** to reach success.

The athletes were dedicated and pushed themselves to succeed. **BUT** as the seasons wore on, the athletes realized that success wasn't just winning. They succeeded by improving, becoming leaders, and playing up to their full potential both as individuals and as a team.

Being involved with a sport taught the athletes respect for team members, the sport itself, and opposing teams. It also taught them how to be dedicated even when things weren't going their way. "When times were tough, we knew we could count on each other for support and fight back together," junior Katie Steinberger said.

As the seasons came to an end, athletes looked back at the far from **ORDINARY** year and realized that success was not just measured by winning and losing.



Passing the ball to the setter in a varsity game against the Shelby Huskies is sophomore Angie Sunday. Sophomore Angie Hilger stands ready for action.

Jumping up for the spike is senior Carrie Marquis as senior Jessica Taylor watches. Carrie made the All Conference Honorable Mention team.

Senior Sara Bock covers for the block as senior Crystal Niemann goes for the kill.

Off the Record



"The most unusual thing that happened was when Sheila (Saubertzweig) forgot her shoes and had to borrow mine at York. My shoes fit her perfectly."

Candee Leu
Sophomore

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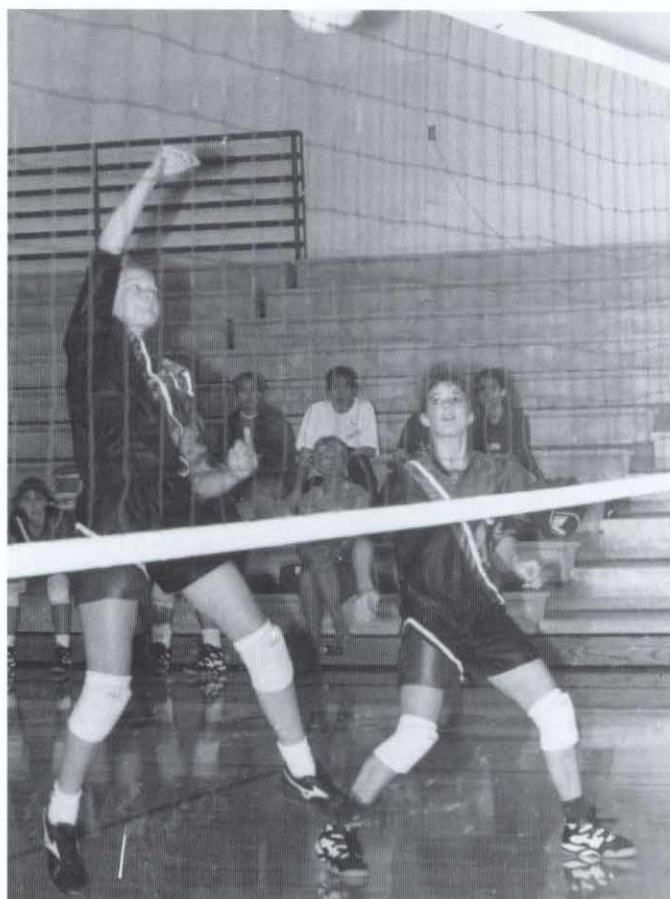
Volleyball

Varsity Volleyball (Record 10-11)

*Nebraska Lutheran	15- 3	11-15	15- 6
Lincoln Christian	15-13	2-15	10-15
Fairbury Invitational			
Tri-County	9-15	6-15	
*Falls City	10-15	15- 1	17-15
*Millford	15- 8	15- 3	
*Osceola	15- 8	15-11	
*Millford	11-15	15-12	15- 9
Malcolm	7-15	2-15	
Stromsburg	15-17	13-15	
DC Invite			
Wahoo	15- 3	5-15	9-15
Genoa	10-15	3-15	
*Fullerton	15- 3	15-13	
*Madison	15-12	15- 5	
*Fullerton	15- 0	15- 9	
Genoa	15- 5	6-15	9-15
Conference Tournament			
*Osceola	15- 4	17-15	
Shelby	9-15	6-15	
Stromsburg	15- 6	11-15	12-15
*East Butler	6-15	15-13	16-14
Shelby	8-15	6-15	
Lakeview	7-15	6-15	

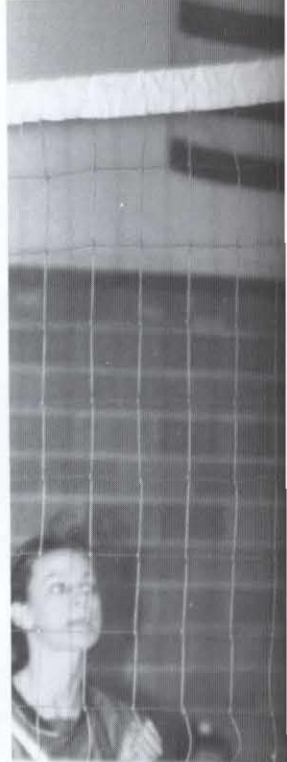
Honors

All Conference 2nd Team, DC Invite 1st Team, All State Honorable Mention — Jessica Taylor; All Conference Honorable Mention — Carrie Marquis, Carrie Schmit



The crowd goes wild as senior Carrie Schmit breaks the spirit sign as her name is announced. Schmit was named to the All Conference Honorable Mention team.

At a home game senior Jessica Taylor sets the ball for the hit. Taylor made the World-Herald's honorable mention team.





◆ by Sophie Niemann

pumping up Spirit

Season memories stand out

Many things about the varsity volleyball season made it stand out from others. "The most unusual things were seeing the guys spell out SCOUTS, hearing 'Let's get ready to rumble,' and Sigmund the Duck. It was cool to see the awesome SPIRIT," senior Carrie Marquis said.

Although the spirit was great, having nine seniors on the team made for some tough challenges. "It was hard having that many seniors that were fairly even. We couldn't have in a pure starting six and gain consistency," Coach Mona Petersen said. She also felt it was hard to get the underclassmen the playing time and experience they needed.

One of the seniors, Jessica Taylor, tied the 1982 record for 15 consecutive serves in one set.

The Madison game was also a good experience. "Beating Madison was a good 'history' win since we had never accomplished that before," Coach Petersen said.

Overall, the team thought they played well and ended the season with a 10-11 record. "I think there were times that we played really well, and other times that we lost games we could have won. Everybody worked hard, but sometimes things just didn't go our way," sophomore Steph Jones said.

The up and down play seemed typical of the season.



Varsity volleyball members are (Front Row): Jessica Taylor, Sara Bock, Carrie Schmit, Katie Steinberger, Carrie Marquis, Cathy Romshek, Steph Britton (Back Row): Crystal Niemann, Angie Sunday, Kelli Kobza, Steph Jones, Angie Hilger, Sheila Sauberzweig, Mandy Brandenburgh, and Candee Leu. Not pictured are Head Coach Mona Petersen and Assistant Coach Amy Sander.

Off the Record



"I washed my uniform and hung it on the clothesline. When I went outside, my dog, Petey, had it in pieces. It was hard explaining what happened to Coach!"

Leigh Petersen
Sophomore

Point By Point

Volleyball/Football

Junior Varsity Football (Record 5-1)

Lakeview	6-12
*Nebraska Lutheran	26-0
*Fullerton	18-6
*Shelby	20-8
*Raymond Central	40-0
*East Butler	18-0

Freshman Football (Record 3-0)

*Wahoo Neumann	36-0
*East Butler	32-0
*Lakeview	32-6

Junior Varsity Volleyball (Record 9-2)

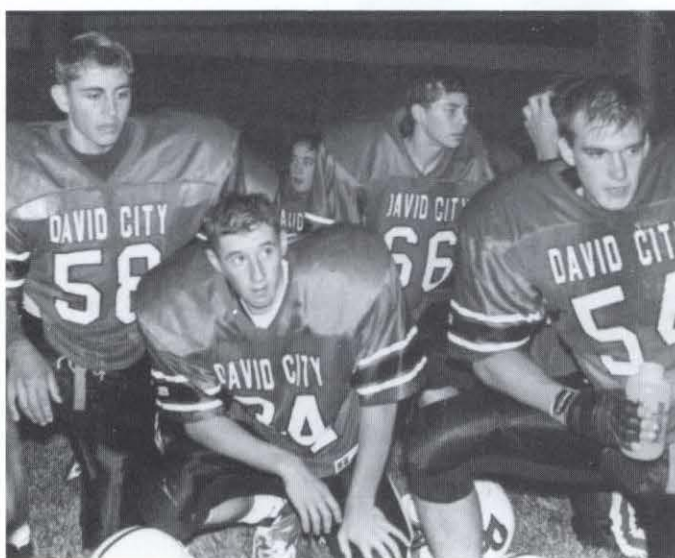
*NE Lutheran	15-7	11-15	15-5
*Lincoln Christian	15-9	15-10	
*Osceola	11-15	15-8	17-15
*Malcolm	15-7	15-4	
*Milford	15-8	7-15	15-5
*Stromsburg	15-4	15-10	
Madison	10-15	12-15	
Fullerton	13-15	14-16	
*Genoa	17-15	13-15	15-13
*East Butler	15-9	8-15	15-11
*Shelby	3-15	15-8	15-12

Freshman Volleyball (Record 6-4)

*NE Lutheran	15-2	15-8
*Lincoln Christian	15-3	15-9
Osceola	11-15	3-15
Stromsburg	15-13	10-15 1-9
Madison	15-11	12-15 13-15
*Fullerton	15-7	15-8
*Genoa	15-7	15-7
North Bend Tournament		
Howells	5-15	10-15
*East Butler	15-7	12-15 9-4
*Shelby	15-7	11-15 9-6

Up at the net during a junior varsity game sophomore Becky Schmit goes for the kill as sophomore Danielle Dietrich (12) gets ready for the block.

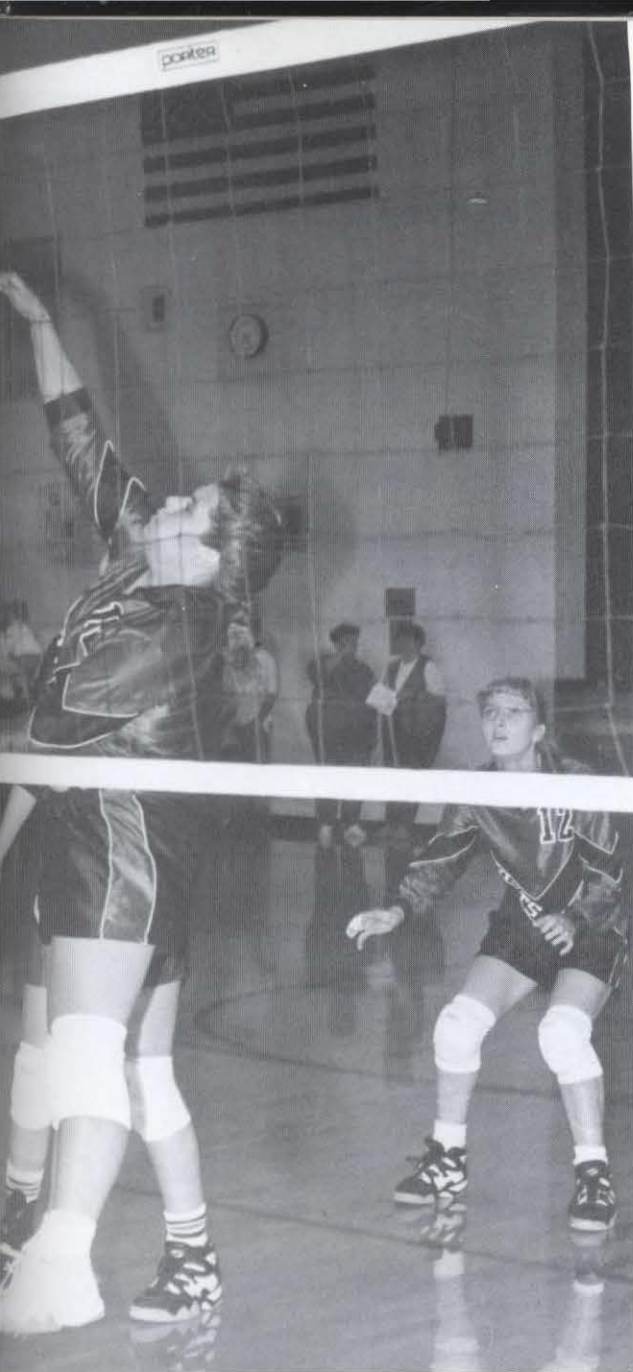
Running the ball for the touchdown during the Shelby game is junior Nick Arps (41). Clearing the path is sophomore Gabe Bathen (44). The Scouts won the junior varsity game, 20-8.



Listening to the coaches at half time of a JV game are junior Chris Kwapnoski (58), sophomore Clark Fichtl (34), freshman Justan Wynegar (66), and sophomore Brad Ueckert (54).

At the Shelby game freshman Rachelle Theewen attempts to tip the ball over. The Scouts won the game in three sets.





♦ by Nick Arps & Sophie Niemann

leaving their Mark

Teams walk away with wins

Winning records were posted by the underclassmen in football and volleyball.

Absolutely dominant over their opponents were the junior varsity and the freshman football teams. With the JV's ending the season with a record of 5-1 and the freshmen at 3-0 it was most impressive for the Scouts. "We were very pleased with the way both our JV and freshman teams came out," Coach Tony Weinandt said.

With the Scouts dominating the field, many of the players were looking forward to future years. "We've got five wins in a row, and we're not about to stop there," junior

Patrick Kozisek said.

Having a large number of players was a major factor with the JV and freshman volleyball teams. It must have been hard for Coach Wiggins to get everyone in the games," freshman Mandie Lance said.

When a large number of players is a factor, so is playing time and how the team can adjust when switching players. "I think the JV season went well. We won most of our games and got along to accomplish that," sophomore Tracy Garza said.

The JV and freshman volleyball teams ended their seasons with winning records of 9-2 and 6-4.



Members of the junior varsity and freshman teams are (Front Row): Katie Steinberger, Candee Leu (Second Row): Jenny Schwartz, Jess Marburger, Rachelle Theewen, Gretchen Heins, Melissa Petrik, Tiffany Hecker, Tracy Garza (Third Row): Nicole Napier, Haley Robinson, Wendy Hollmann, Cassie Burnett, Janelle Kamrath, Crystal Hollmann, Amy Morbach, Jennifer Ventris (Fourth Row): Danielle Dietrich, Donna Morbach, Mandi Lukert, Leigh Petersen, Becky Schmit, Chrsi Schmit, Kara Didier (Back Row): Coach Jo Wiggins, Mandie Lance, Sophie Niemann, Elizabeth Stachitus, Angie Sunday, Kelli Kobza, Steph Jones, Angie Hilger, Michelle Howe, Coach Amy Sander, and Jayme Vandenberg, student manager.

Off the Record



"Everyone thought that I was weird when kicking off, not only because of the way I ran at the ball but the way I said 'Ready.'"

Patrick Pohler
Senior

Point By Point

Football

Varsity Football (Record 2-6)

Genoa	0-24
*Osceola	13- 6
Stromsburg	7-41
East Butler	0-40
Fullerton	0-21
Nebraska Lutheran	12-13
*Shelby	13- 7
State Playoffs	
Wahoo	7-59

Honors

All State Honorable Mention, All Conference Offense 1st Team — Ryan Hough

All Conference Offense Honorable Mention — Matt Davis, Rick Kocher

All Conference Defense Honorable Mention — Dave Battaglia, Rick Kocher

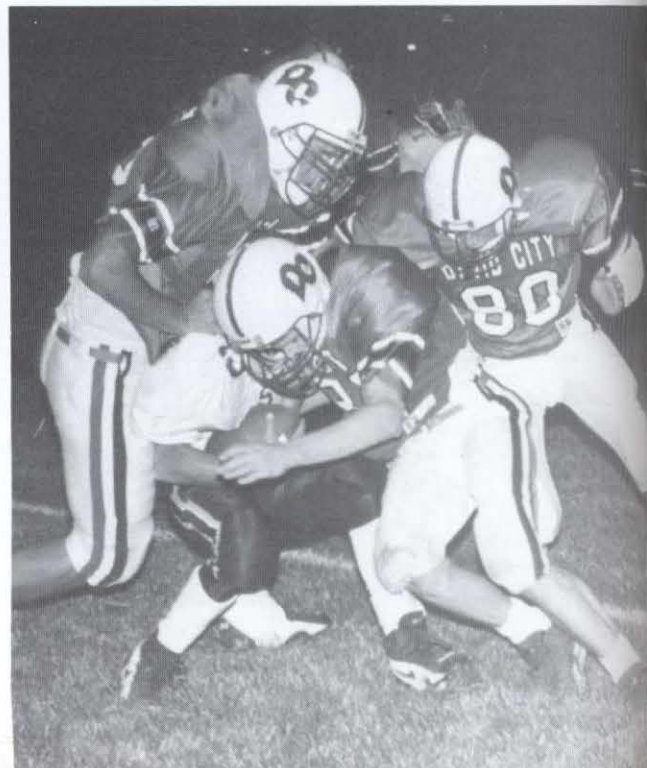
Trying to tackle their Stromsburg opponent are freshman Branden Rech (11) and senior Rick Kocher (25). The Scouts came out short with a score of 7-41.

Trying to fend off his opponent to gain more yardage is junior Roderick Boss (22). The Scouts beat Osceola, 13-6.



A Scout touchdown is celebrated as Shaun Smith (35), Travis Rathje (4), and Dave Battaglia (81) show their spirit.

Gang tackling their opponent are seniors Ryan Hough and Dave Battaglia (81) and junior Jeremy Roubal (80).



playing with Heart

Team shows improvement

Ending the season a better team than when they started, the varsity football team held their heads high.

The team posted a 2-6 record, but a number of team and individual goals had been reached.

One of the goals achieved was to improve after each game. "We ended the season a better team," Coach Jeff Reed said.

It was a larger team than usual with 47 players out. "It's not the size of the team. It's the size of the heart in the team," junior Jeremy Roubal said. The team

played hard and with a lot of heart.

For the seniors who had given their best, it was an especially meaningful season. "It hurts knowing this year was the last year for football. You keep thinking that there's always next year, but then it hits you and you realize that it's over," senior Farooq Khan said.

For the underclassmen, there are challenges ahead. "Winners put in extra time and effort to improve and accept this as part of being successful," Coach Reed said.



Football team members are (Front Row): Ryan Hruska, Dan Worth, Justan Wynegar, Branden Rech, Patrick Kozisek, Brody a, Colin Daro, Luke Cole, Mike Egger, Albert Hotten, Todd Svobo-Brett Hopwood (Second Row): Scott Hilger, Patrick Pohler, Tyler ms, Junior Huerta, Nick Arps, Greg Jahde, Jeremy Roubal, Gabe men, Brad Ueckert, Chris Kwapnoski, Dave Battaglia, Chad Ker-er, Vagas Mathiesen (Third Row): Assistant Coach Jerry Wiggins, is Rathje, Jeremy Novak, Farooq Khan, Andy Courtright, T. J.

Nickolite, Derek Helgoth, Todd Wright, Clint Helgoth, Blake Behrns, Roderick Boss, Clark Fichtl, Head Coach Jeff Reed, Nolan Behrns, student manager (Back Row): Assistant Coach Tony Weinandt, Rick Kocher, Blaine Hayes, Richard Butters, Jayson Polacek, Don Moravec, Ryan Hough, Grant Jones, Matt Davis, Shaun Smith, Michael Nilsson, and Lenny Palensky.

striving for Unity

Inconsistency plagues team

"A good description of this season would be one of ups and downs. Not only from game to game but within games. We had a hard time sustaining our efforts," Coach Joe Horky said.

The varsity girls basketball team ended its season with a losing record of 10-12. Team unity and inconsistent play were mentioned as contributing factors.

"It was rough at times, just trying to find a consistency and being able to play as a team," sophomore Kelli Kobza said.

Although the season was somewhat disappointing, the team had many highlights. Beating East Butler in the

conference tournament and coming close to beating highly rated teams such as Lincoln Christian, Schuyler, and Aquinas were a few.

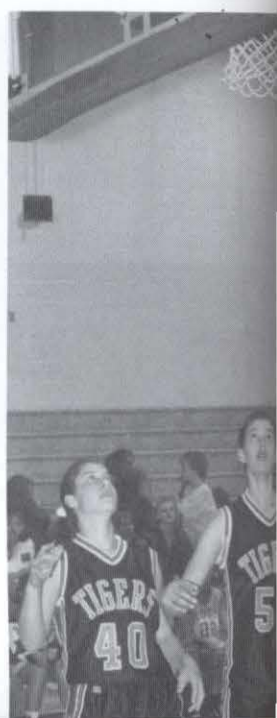
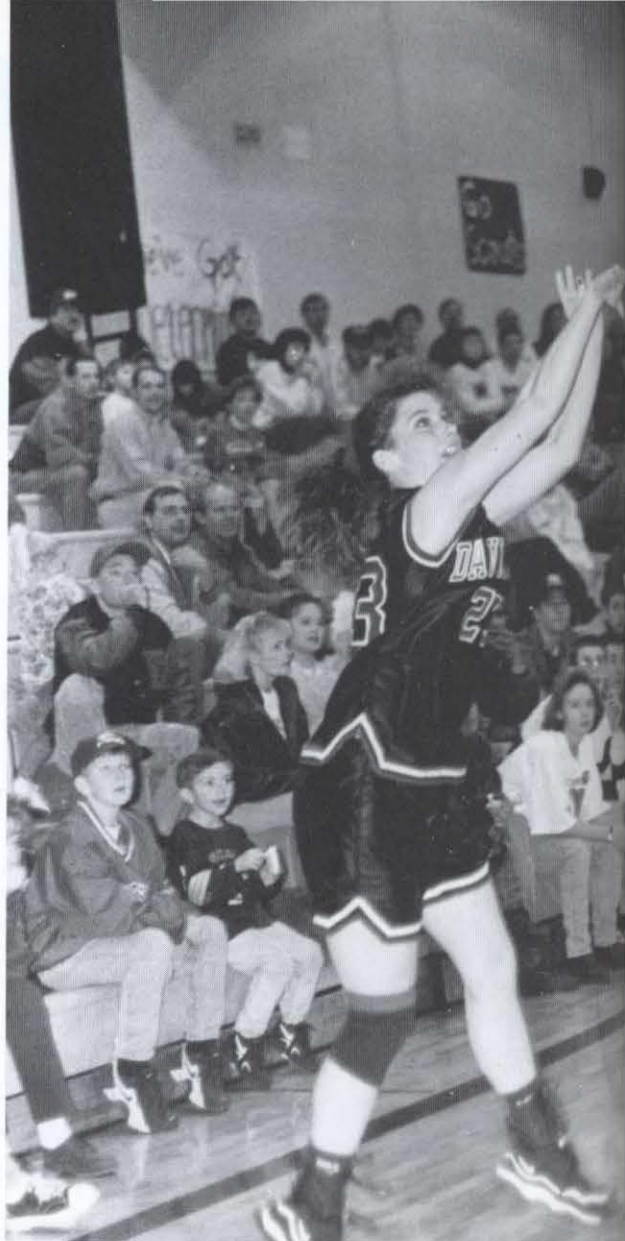
"We put up a good fight with a lot of highly rated contenders. We surprised many people," sophomore Michelle Sauberzweig said.

The team placed second in the conference tournament, third in the holiday tournament, and only lost by five points to Aquinas in the first round of subdistricts. It was a season of ups and downs, but there were some good feelings when it was over.

Varsity girls basketball members are (Front Row): Angie Sunday, Crystal Hollmann (Middle Row): Carrie Schmit, Chrisi Schmit, Mandy Brandenburgh, Sheila Sauberzweig, Kara Didier, Sara Bock (Back-Row): Michelle Sauberzweig, Emily Schmit, Kelli Kobza, Angie Hilger, Steph Jones, and Tiffany Hecker. Not pictured are Head Coach Joe Horky and Assistant Coach Kevin Behrens.



Driving past the East Butler defense for two points is senior Carrie Schmit.



Shooting for three is senior Sara Bock. Sara set the record for most three pointers in a season with 50 and for most three pointers in a career with 125.

The Centennial opponent looks to make a pass over the Lady Scout defender, sophomore Steph Jones.



Off the Record



"The most memorable and unusual thing was when I forgot to take my warmup off and ran out on the court with it on."

Kara Didier
Freshman

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Basketball

Varsity Girls Basketball (Record 10-12)

Centennial	51-55
*Wahoo	52-45
*Fullerton	43-37
East Butler	46-53
Friend	51-67
Lincoln Christian	39-42
DC Holiday Tournament	
*Raymond Central	53-31
Schuyler	35-38
West Point CC	32-45
*Genoa	41-37
*Milford	52-32
*NE Lutheran	60-18
Malcolm	41-49
Conference Tournament	
*Genoa	41-35
*East Butler	52-47
Shelby	55-61
North Bend	50-51
*Osceola	45-26
*Raymond Central	56-52
Shelby	49-56
Stromsburg	47-54 OT
Subdistricts	
Aquinas	50-55

Honors

DC Holiday Tournament
All Tournament Team
— Michelle Sauberzweig
Central Eight Conference
1st Team — Michelle Sauberzweig;
2nd Team — Sara Bock
Class C-1 World-Herald & Lincoln
Journal Star All State Honorable
Mention Team — Michelle
Sauberzweig
Academic All State — Sheila
Sauberzweig, Mandy Brandenburg,
Carrie Schmit

During a timeout, Coach Joe Horky gives the team a pep talk. Pictured are Tiffany Hecker, Kara Didier, Chrisi Schmit, Angie Sunday, Steph Jones, Crystal Hollmann, and Emily Schmit.



"The most memorable part of the season was when I got the offensive board and I shot the ball in the other team's basket."

Craig Schmit
Freshman

JV Boys Basketball
(Record 12-3)

Centennial	65-66
North Bend	53-62
*East Butler	64-53
*Fullerton	54-42
Lakeview	43-55
*Genoa	71-51
*Milford	70-56
*Nebraska Lutheran	80-72
*Malcolm	56-46
*Osceola	59-47
*Raymond Central	78-60
*Shelby	71-68 OT
*Stromsburg	58-42
*Lincoln Christian	68-61
*Mead	63-46

Freshman Boys Basketball
(Record 9-4)

Genoa	55-56 OT
*Schuyler	40-36
*Mead	50-37
*Raymond Central	70-45
Shelby	30-36
David City Tournament	
Wahoo Neumann	37-50
*Lakeview	50-46
*North Bend	69-28
*East Butler	51-31
*Lakeview	63-61
Seward Tournament	
*Fairbury	62-43
*Lakeview	57-47
Seward	49-67

JV Girls Basketball
(Record 3-11)

Centennial	43-46
*Wahoo	36-30
Fullerton	26-37
East Butler	34-36
Friend	23-30
Lincoln Christian	35-38
Genoa	36-39
Milford	22-30
Malcolm	25-39
North Bend	32-41
*Osceola	36-26
*Raymond Central	35-33
Shelby	41-42
Stromsburg	31-32

Freshman Girls Basketball
(Record 1-5)

Genoa	15-23
Raymond Central	23-45
*Wahoo	32-18
Aquinas	23-35
Shelby	18-36
North Bend	33-51

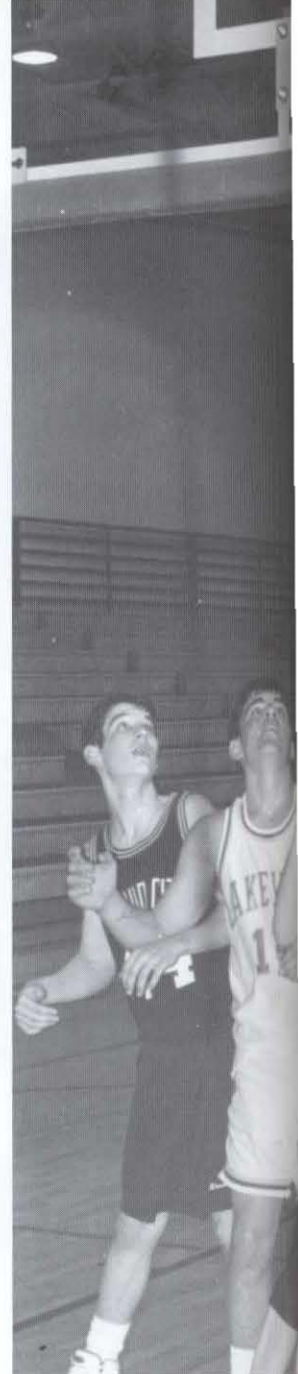
Finding a hole in the defense, freshman Harley Workman shoots over his Lakeview opponents as Chad Kershner backs him up.

While teammates Cassie Burnett (10) and Kara Didier (44) prepare to help, freshman Mandie Lance grabs the rebound.



Girls junior varsity and freshman team members are (Front Row): Jenny Schwartz, Gretchen Heins, Melissa Petrik, Wendy Hollmann, Rachelle Riha, Tiffany Hecker (Middle Row): Student Manager Amber Rech, Donna Morbach, Amy Morbach, Crystal Hollmann, Becky Schmit, Kara Didier, Jennifer Ventris, Cassie Burnett, Chris Schmit, Student Manager Steph Crook (Back Row): Coach Joe Horky, Erin Polivka, Kristin Chmelka, Angie Sunday, Mandie Lance, Kelli Kobza, Elizabeth Stachitus, Michelle Howe, and Coach Kevin Behrens.

Trying to regain the ball from her Milford opponent is sophomore Angie Hilger.





◆ by Desarae Scott & Becky Schmit

improving Their Game

Young teams meet changes

The junior varsity boys ended with a very good season. They struggled a little at the start but towards the end, the team got it all together.

They had a record of 12-3 with a ten game winning streak at the end of the season. "We played very well as a team and accomplished many goals. One of our advantages was having at least five players on the team that averaged at least ten points per game," sophomore Jeremy Hoshor said.

The freshman boys played very well considering they were new to high school basketball. The coaches pushed them hard. "There is a huge difference between junior high basketball and high school basketball. The prac-

tices, games, coaches, and the competition were a lot tougher," freshman Scott Hilger said.

The JV girls had a slow season, but they improved with every game. The girls stayed focused and enjoyed the experience, although they ended the season 3-11.

"Our season was pretty good. Although we lost a lot of close games, we played as a team," sophomore Angie Sunday said.

For the freshman girls, like the freshman boys, high school basketball was a total change from junior high. "It was very different because there were a lot more people on the team that you didn't even know," freshman Gretchen Heins said.



Boys junior varsity and freshman team members are (Front Row): Michael Matulka, Junior Huerta, Jeremy Novak, Scott Hilger, Blake Behrns, Josh Peddicord (Middle Row): Student Manager Brad Sloup, Brody Riha, Jeremy Hoshor, Branden Rech, Craig Schmit, Harley Workman, Vagas Mathiesen, Luke Cole, Brett Hopwood, Student Manager Courtney Weinandt (Back Row): Coach Mike Smith, Chad Kershner, Tyler Behrns, Richard Butters, Jayson Polacek, Daryl Shockley, Gabe Bathen, Colin Daro, and Coach Tony Weinandt.

Making a layup in the season opener against Centennial is senior Brook Hopwood. Backing him up are Dave Battaglia, Matt Davis, and Ryan Hough.

Off
the
Record



"Our first morning practice we were locked out of the auditorium. Coach had to go to Marv Pelan's house to get the key at six in the morning."

Shaun Smith
Senior

Point By Point

Basketball

Varsity Boys Basketball (Record 18-4)

Centennial	66-73
*North Bend	54-53
*East Butler	64-63
*Fullerton	59-38
*Lakeview	57-45
Holiday Tournament	
*Raymond Central	75-62
*Schuyler	56-52
Aquinas	58-62
*Genoa	63-43
*Milford	53-50
*Neb. Lutheran	79-33
*Malcolm	66-60
Conference Tournament	
*Neb. Lutheran	62-34
Stromsburg	55-56
*Genoa	61-36
*Osceola	85-53
*Raymond Central	76-67
*Shelby	73-27
*Stromsburg	71-66
*Lincoln Christian	63-59
*Mead	65-49
Subdistricts	
Aquinas	66-79

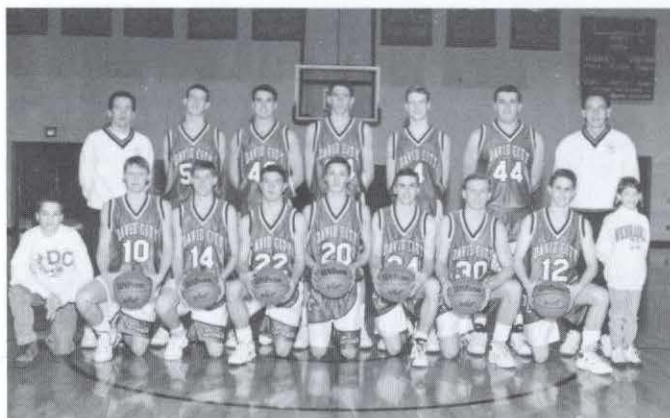
Honors

DC Holiday Tournament 1st Team
— Brook Hopwood, Aaron Hoeft,
Ryan Hough

Central Eight Conference 1st
Team — Brook Hopwood, Aaron
Hoeft; 2nd Team — Grant Jones

Class C-1 All State Honorable
Mention — Brook Hopwood, Aaron
Hoeft

Class C-1 Academic All State —
Ryan Hough, Dave Battaglia, Matt
Davis, Brook Hopwood



Varsity boys basketball members are (Front Row): Student Manager Brad Sloup, Luke Cole, Tyler Behrns, Branden Rech, Brook Hopwood, Greg Jahde, Gabe Bathen, Dave Battaglia, Student Manager Courtney Weinandt (Back Row): Assistant Coach Mike Smith, Shaun Smith, Matt Davis, Aaron Hoeft, Grant Jones, Ryan Hough, and Head Coach Tony Weinandt.

Against Milford senior Aaron Hoeft puts the ball up for two. The 18-4 record was the most wins in a season since 1985.





Trying to get around an Aquinas defender in the finals of the holiday tournament are sophomore Grant Jones (4) and senior Brook Hopwood (20). The Scouts lost in overtime.

♦ by Echo Fuller

reaching for Success

Athletes strive to do best

After losing their season opener, the varsity basketball team soon put the game behind them and went on to post a final season record of 18-4.

"We had an outstanding season. Our 18 wins were the most since 1985," Head Coach Tony Weinandt said.

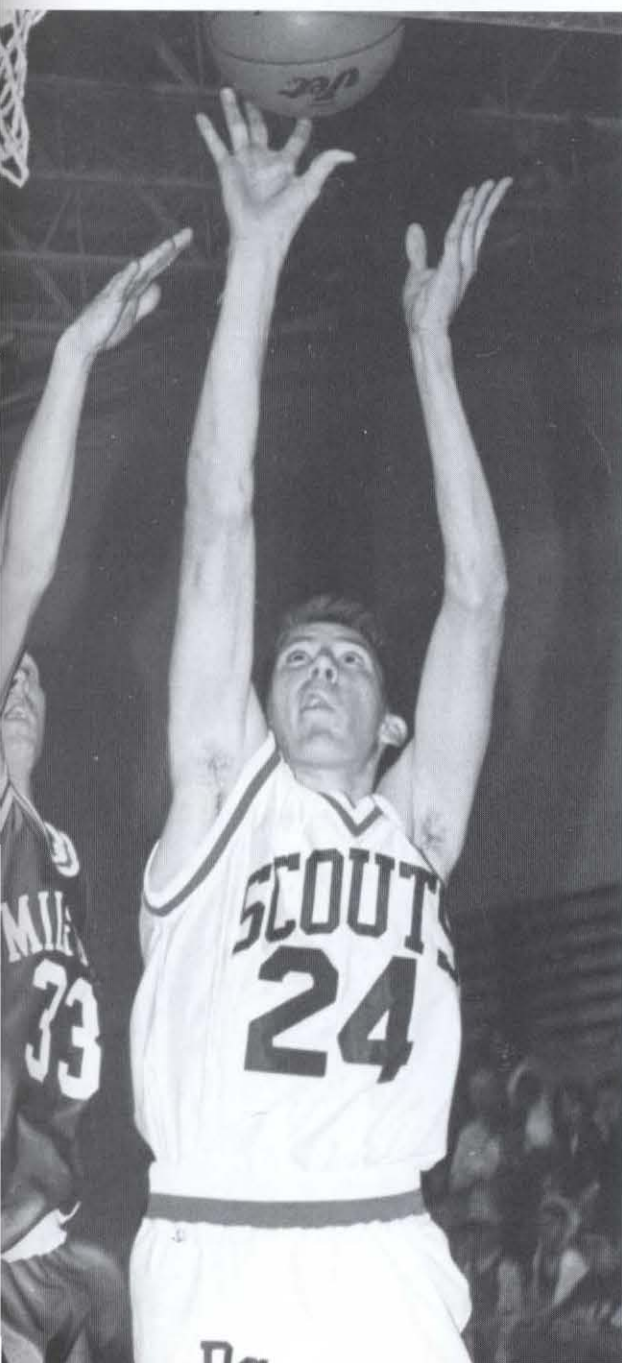
The team's strengths were great senior leadership, a willingness to work hard, and a desire to play. "The year was very successful. We had strong leadership and by mid-season we were playing as a team," senior Ryan Hough said.

The team got runner-up at the David City Holiday Tourna-

ment, third place in the conference tournament, and was regular season conference champions for the fourth consecutive year.

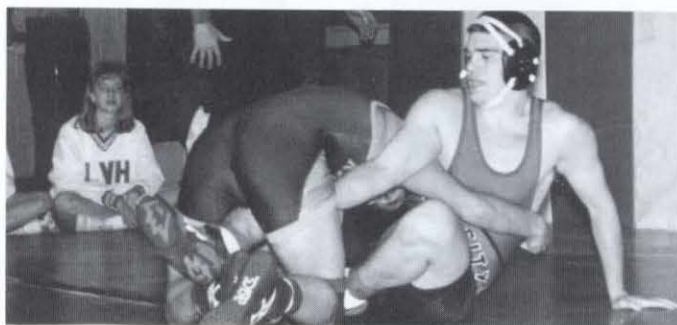
The Scouts ended their season with a loss to Aquinas in the first round of subdistricts. "I felt that we were better than we played in our last game," sophomore Grant Jones said.

Although the team was disappointed with the loss, the season was successful. "The team was very focused and determined. Basketball was important to them. As coaches we appreciated all of their hard work, and we really enjoyed working with them," Coach Weinandt said.



Blocking a shot against North Bend are freshman Branden Rech and sophomore Grant Jones. Teammate Aaron Hoeft stands by.

The opposing wrestler tries to twist junior Albert Hotten to a pin. Hotten won this match at the David City Invite.



♦ by Leigh Petersen

a learning Experience

Much effort from small team

For the Scout wrestlers, it was a season that was short on numbers, but filled with determination and confidence. The team, despite the young age and loss of filled weight classes, increased its points, take downs, and wins at the meets.

"The season was a learning experience for the younger ones. Most were facing older and experienced wrestlers," Head Coach Gaylen Kamrath said.

Along with the younger wrestlers, the experienced wrestlers continued to improve and show leadership.

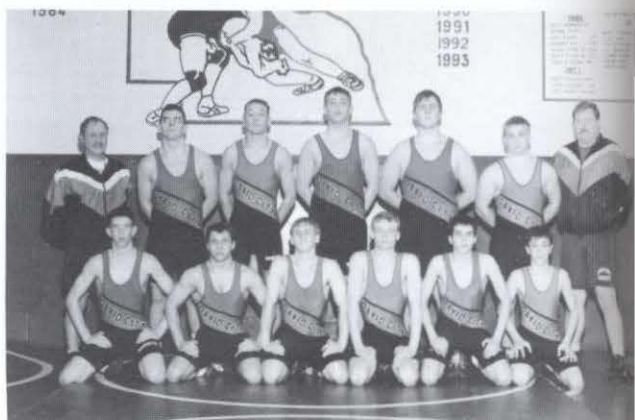
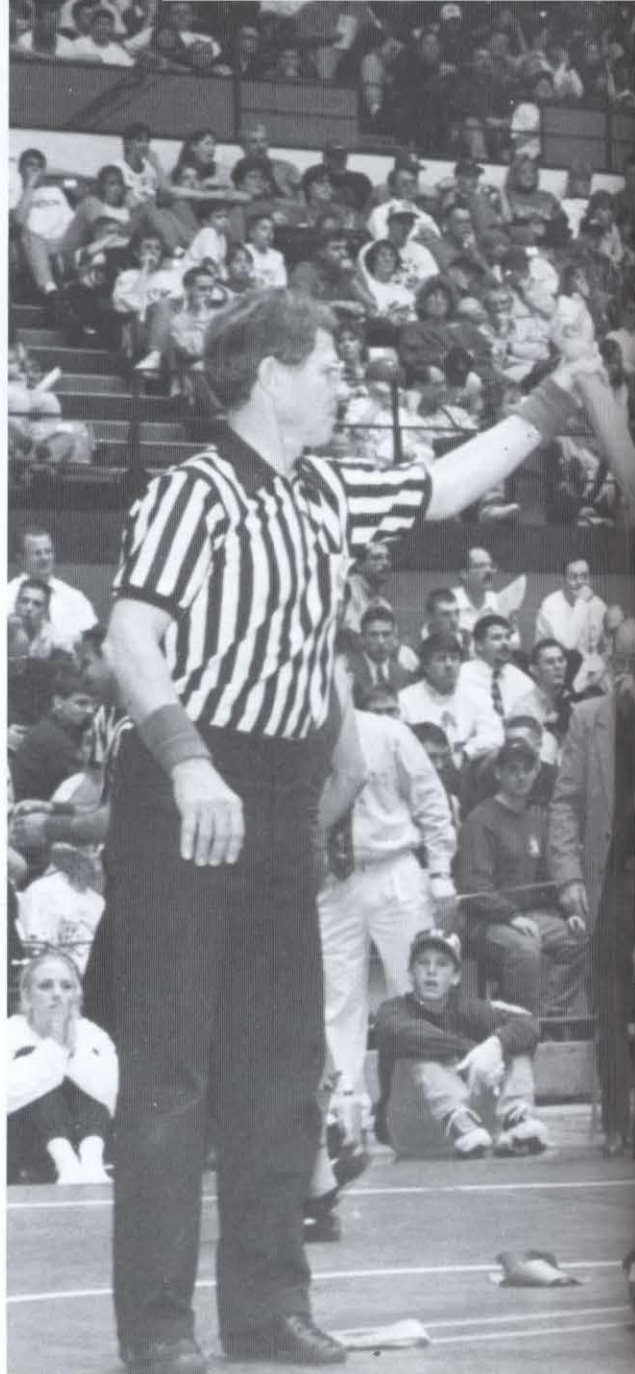
Junior Roderick Boss (125 lb.) made his third trip to state,

but this time he won it all. He became the 17th state champion from DCHS and tied the State Class C take down record with 366 take downs. He also reached his 100th career win in his state matches.

"Roderick has always been a great role model for younger wrestlers," Coach Kamrath said.

The younger wrestlers advanced during the season. Freshman Clint Helgoth (115 lb.) and Don Moravec (215 lb.) also qualified for state.

The numbers were low, but the determination of the wrestlers brought improvement and success.

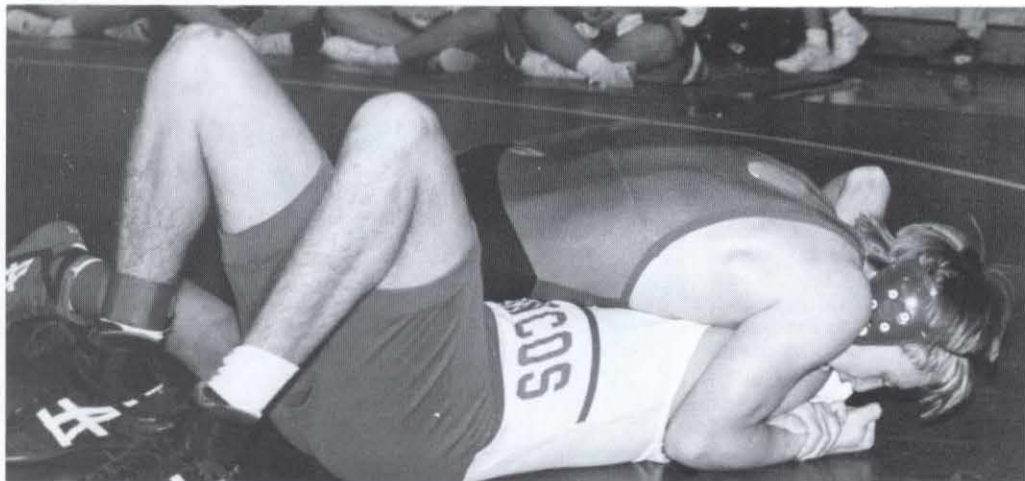
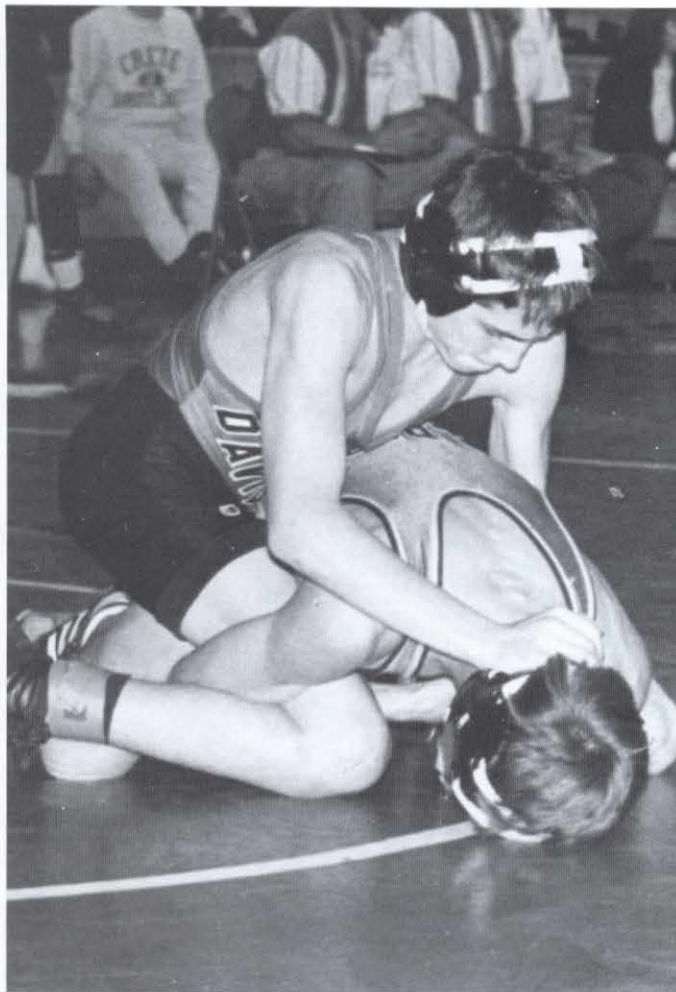


Wrestling team members are (Front): Ryan Hruska, Roderick Boss, Andy Courtright, Joe Ewert, Clint Helgoth, Nathan Ladehoff (Back): Head Coach Gaylen Kamrath, Albert Hotten, Jeremy Roubal, Don Moravec, Blaine Hayes, Dan Ellsworth, and Asst. Coach Keith Stara. Not pictured is Asst. Coach John Hughes.



Excited, junior Roderick Boss raises his arm in victory. Boss won the Class C 125 lb. State Championship.

At the David City Wrestling Invitational, freshman Clint Helgoth holds his opponent down to the mat.



During conference, freshman Ryan Hruska attempts an escape. Hruska finished second.

On his way to a win, freshman Andy Courtright works to pin his opponent at the David City Wrestling Invitational. Courtright placed third at conference.

Off the Record



"When I was injured, I couldn't wrestle to my potential. With missed practices and a lack of matches, injuries hurt my season."

Nathan Ladehoff
Freshman

Point By Point Wrestling

Wrestling Invitionals

York Invitational	7th	52
North Bend Invitational	5th	81
Wahoo Invitational	6th	87
Clarks Invitational	13th	58
Stromsburg Invitational	5th	85
David City Invitational	6th	74.5
Albion Invitational	11th	74.5

Tournaments

Conference Tournament	4th	94
District Tournament	10th	64.5
State Tournament	28th	28

Wrestling Duals (Record 2-3)

*East Butler	39-33
Valley	30-44
Schuyler	33-42
*Lakeview	51-24
Howells	27-51

dedication Pays Off

Hollmann qualifies for state

As a whole, the girls track team did very well for having a relatively small and young team. A lot of the girls said they owed much of their success to freshman Crystal Hollmann. They felt that she was a very valuable member that never missed practices and always encouraged the other team members.

"Crystal was a very valuable member in that she believed in herself as well as in others. She had a very positive attitude and I believe it helped us to do better," freshman Beth Forney said.

Hollmann qualified for state in the 3200 meter run with a time of 12:17.7, her best

time of the season. "At the start of the season I wanted to improve my run with every meet. I accomplished that goal as well as my goal to make it to state," Hollmann said.

Hollmann was not the only member of the team to improve and achieve goals. All of the girls had their own personal achievements.

"One goal I accomplished was to letter," sophomore Jill Cameron said.

Freshman Wendy Hollmann was also pleased with her achievements during the season. She was happy to have placed in almost all of her races.



Members of the girls track team are (Front Row): Tracy Garza, Crystal Hollmann, Wendy Hollmann, Gretchen Heins, Bridget Thacker **(Middle Row):** Haley Robinson, Chris Schmit, Leigh Petersen, Mandi Lukert, Michelle Howe, Jennifer Ventris **(Back Row):** Beth Forney, Kara Didier, Steph Jones, Sheila Svoboda, Carrie Schmit, Jill Cameron, and Katie Bell. Not pictured are Head Coach Mona Petersen and Assistant Coach Amy Sander.



At the conference track meet, sophomore Tracy Garza leaps over the hurdles coming 1/100th of a second from placing in the 100 meter highs.



At Wahoo freshman Crystal Hollmann keeps the pace in the two-mile run and receives second place.

Burning rubber at the first meet of the season at the Devaney Sports Center is sophomore Bridget Thacker.



*Off
the
Record*



"The funniest thing that happened this year was when Tracy Garza overslept and the bus had to pick her up from her house!"

**Katie Bell
Sophomore**



With just a hop, skip, and a jump freshman Kara Didier makes it to the finals in the triple jump at conference track.

Clearing the high jump bar at the Wahoo track meet is senior Sheila Svoboda.

P^{oint} By Point

Track

<i>Girls Track</i>	
Elmwood/Murdock Invite	00
North Bend Triangular	3rd 25
Milford Invite	7th 35
Wahoo Invite	6th 34.3
Genoa Invite	7th 32
Lakeview Invite	4th 28
Conference Meet	7th 33
East Butler Invite	3rd 82.5
Districts	9th 10

Off the Record



"It was funny when Patrick Pohler turned the corner in the 400. He only had one shoe on."

Joshua Kirby
Junior

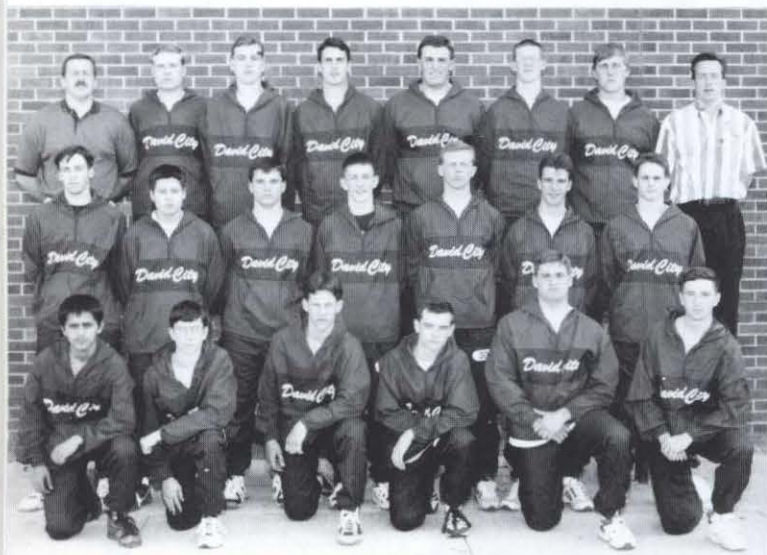
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Boys Track

Elmwood/Murdock Invite	9th	15
North Bend Triangular	3rd	70
Millford Invite	5th	39
Wahoo Invite	7th	35
Genoa Invite	5th	64
Lakeview Invite	4th	66
Conference Meet	4th	67
East Butler Invite	2nd	138
District Meet	9th	19

Leading the pack in the 1600 meter run at Lakeview are freshmen Travis Rathje and Harley Workman. Rathje placed third in this event and Workman placed fourth.

Slightly in front of his competition in the 100 meter dash at the Lakeview meet is sophomore Ryan Zeilinger.



Boys track team members are (Front Row): Qadir Khan, Michael Matulka, Travis Rathje, Ryan Zeilinger, Mike Egger, Jason Heller (Middle Row): Joshua Kirby, Ken Page, Brody Riha, Harley Workman, Gabe Bathen, Patrick Pohler, Dave Battaglia (Back Row): Coach Jeff Reed, Richard Butters, Jayson Polacek, Matt Davis, Ryan Hough, Shaun Smith, Blaine Hayes, and Coach Mike Smith. Not pictured are Clark Fichtl and Brad Ueckert.

Airborne, junior **Joshua Kirby** soars through the air in the long jump at North Bend.





working to Improve

Team stays focused on goals

◆ by Angie Hilger

Two state qualifiers, sophomore Gabe Bathen and senior Ryan Hough, led the Scouts at districts. Bathen placed third in the mile with a time of 4:45. Hough placed second in the shot put with a toss of 53' 3".

"I'm very excited about competing at state. All of the state's best runners are there, and you can find out what you are really made of," sophomore Gabe Bathen said.

Neither Bathen or Hough placed within the top five at state.

There were only 21 boys on the track team. "Our team worked hard in practices and competed well at all the meets. But because of

the number of guys out, we had a hard time scoring," senior Ryan Hough said.

Throughout the season, the team set goals and worked hard to reach them while improving with each performance.

"My throwing has increased at every meet. I think everybody really tried hard to achieve their goals this season," sophomore Mike Egger said.

Coach Smith also noted the improvements. "I enjoyed watching kids improve as the season progressed. It is nice to see kids set goals, work hard, and succeed," Coach Mike Smith said.



At Lakeview sophomores Ken Page and Brad Ueckert enjoy a break in the tent.

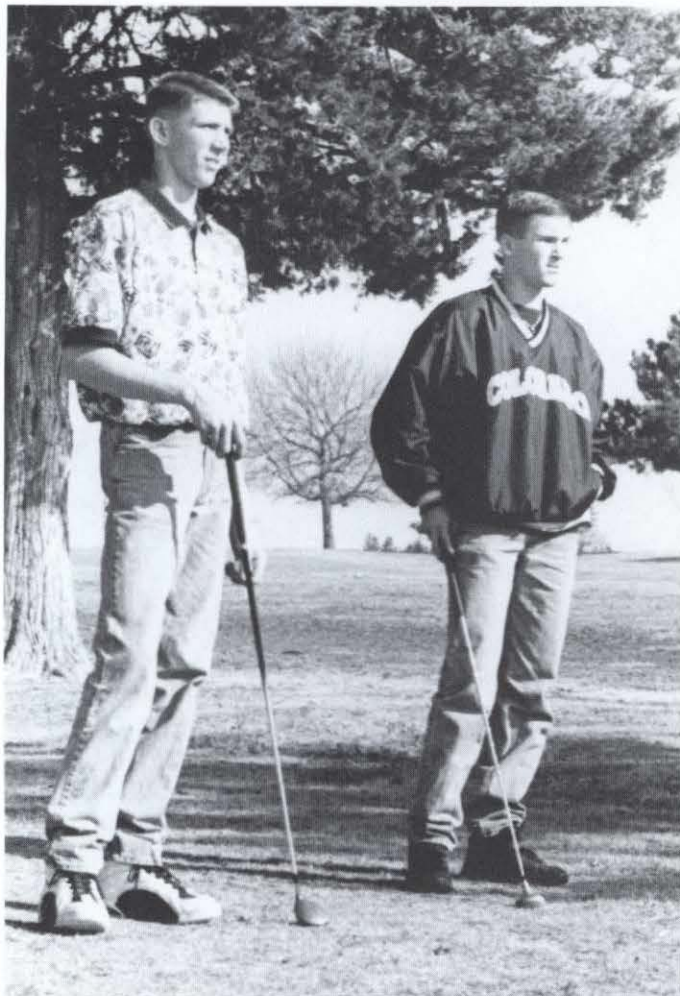
On his way to the finish line, sophomore Clark Fichtl leaps over a hurdle in the 100 meter hurdles at Wahoo.

Watching the competition at the Lakeview dual are seniors Aaron Hoeft and Greg Jahde.

Planning his shot is freshman T. J. Nickolite.



With concentration, senior Michael Nilsson gets ready to tee off at a home dual against Seward.



*Off
the
Record*



"On the way home from the Palmyra Invite we had an ice and spit wad fight in the new red van."

**Greg Jahde
Senior**

Point By Point Golf

Duals and Triangulars (Record 2-2)

Seward	161	158
*Lakeview	167	172
*Wahoo/Scotus	160	163 167
Schuyler/Lakeview	190	175 185

Tournaments

Stanton Invite	2nd	171
David City Invite	2nd	157
Palmyra Invite	5th	345
Valley Invite	7th	388
*David City Invite	1st	tie 330
Milford Invite	3rd	323
Districts	5th	349



Making sure their equipment is up to par are sophomore Tyler Behrns and freshman Branden Rech. Although the team didn't qualify for state, Behrns and Rech did as individuals.

After a drive, freshman Colin Daro looks to see where his shot lands.





♦ by Katie Bell

picking up The Pace

Underclassmen make state

Three underclassmen, sophomore Tyler Behrns and freshmen Colin Daro and Branden Rech, helped lead the golf team to a successful season.

A newcomer, senior foreign exchange student Michael Nilsson, was also a consistent player on the varsity team. Providing leadership and rounding out the varsity were seniors Aaron Hoeft and Greg Jahde.

Two of the underclassmen qualified for the state golf meet and lead the team to a fifth place finish at districts. Rech qualified by placing fifth while Behrns finished

ninth.

"I was surprised with the individual score because I didn't play very well and still qualified for state," Behrns said.

Coach Randy Rech was pleased with the district results and had confidence in the team. "I was very proud of the way the team played. We have two very fine golfers representing us at state this year," Coach Rech said.

Overall, the team felt that the season went well. "We started off very slow, but we turned it on in the end and accomplished a lot," Branden Rech said.



Golf team members are (Front): Derek Helgoth, Mark Hassebrook, Jeremy Novak, Blake Behrns, Todd Wright, T. J. Nickolite (Back): Branden Rech, Tyler Behrns, Michael Nilsson, Aaron Hoeft, Colin Daro, Greg Jahde, Grant Jones, and Vagas Mathiesen. Not pictured is Coach Randy Rech.

Preparing the evidence just before a mock trial competition against Wahoo are lawyers Dave Battaglia, Sherry Krivanek, and Steph Britton.

Participating in a cheer at the homecoming pep rally downtown is sophomore **Brooke Hayes**.



Testing the headphone equipment for the one-act performance is freshman **Kathryn Ethington**.



Enjoying the events

"What are you wearing to homecoming? What time is the dress rehearsal for the musical? Who are you taking to prom?" These kinds of questions were what led to the mystery and excitement of the events at DCHS.

To some, the events were the highlight of the school year. "My life revolves around music. The musical was my way of showing how singing and acting are important to me. There isn't **ANYTHING** I'd rather do!" sophomore Leigh Petersen said.

Events also provided change from the same old thing day after day. "I am involved in events because they are fun and they make my life a little more interesting," senior Carrie Schmit said.

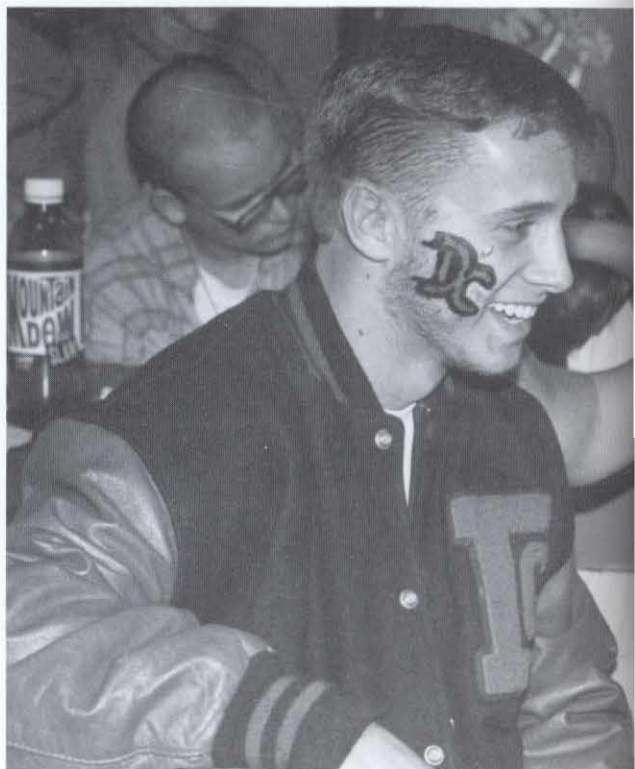
Some events even included a few surprises. "The first time I went to mock trial practice I thought I was a witness for Team 3, **BUT** when I got there I was a lawyer for Team 2," junior Katie Steinberger said.

These events were definitely a break from the **ORDINARY**, but making them special took work.

Helping freshman Amy Morbach with the final touches of her makeup is senior Emily Schmit. The musical, *A Chorus Line*, was a big success.

The seniors sponsored a face painting fundraiser at the volleyball game. Senior Corey Forney paints some "DC" spirit on junior Roderick Boss.

Enjoying the attention given to him for his catfish hat on Hat Day is freshman Willis Smith.



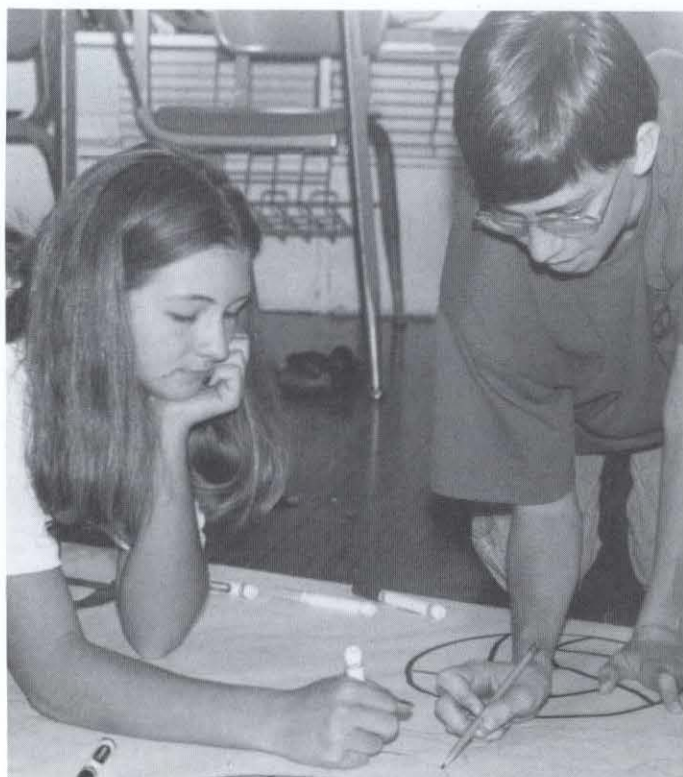
I Guess You Had To Be There

Anita Petersen wearing her Tweety Bird pajamas.

Tator (Jeremy Roubal) going all out on Clash Day.

Jake Heins writing graffiti on the city streets.

Jenny Schwartz, Angie Sunday, and Leigh Petersen pigging out to rid the nervousness of the game.



Concentration is shown by freshman Kara Didier and Michael Matulka as they work on the design for their homeroom door.

Pajama Day is a spirited day for freshman Nicole Napier, sophomore Michelle Thiemann, and seniors Jayme Vandenberg and Carrie Schmit.





Wild and Crazy Week

Door signs, dress up days, pep rallies, and decorations were all part of the action that took place during the busy homecoming week of October 2-6.

Door signs were made by every homeroom to support the football and volleyball teams. The freshman students in Mr. Weinandt's homeroom took first place by decorating Dr. Jess's door with a three-dimensional football player.

Monday night sparked the excitement for the rest of the week. Following the reserve football game, the crowd went

absolutely wild during the booster club rally and bonfire.

A feeling of chaos and the class yells got the adrenaline pumping.

"The bonfire was great! Everyone had tons of team spirit," sophomore Leigh Petersen said.

Homecoming dress up days let students get creative and crazy to show their support for the Scouts and the Lady

Scouts. Monday through Friday consisted of Pajama Day, Baggy and Hat Day, Hawaiian Day, Clash Day, and the spirited Red and Black Day.

"The dress up days themselves were fun, yet difficult to dress up for. I dressed up for all of them," senior Amy Nee-mann said.

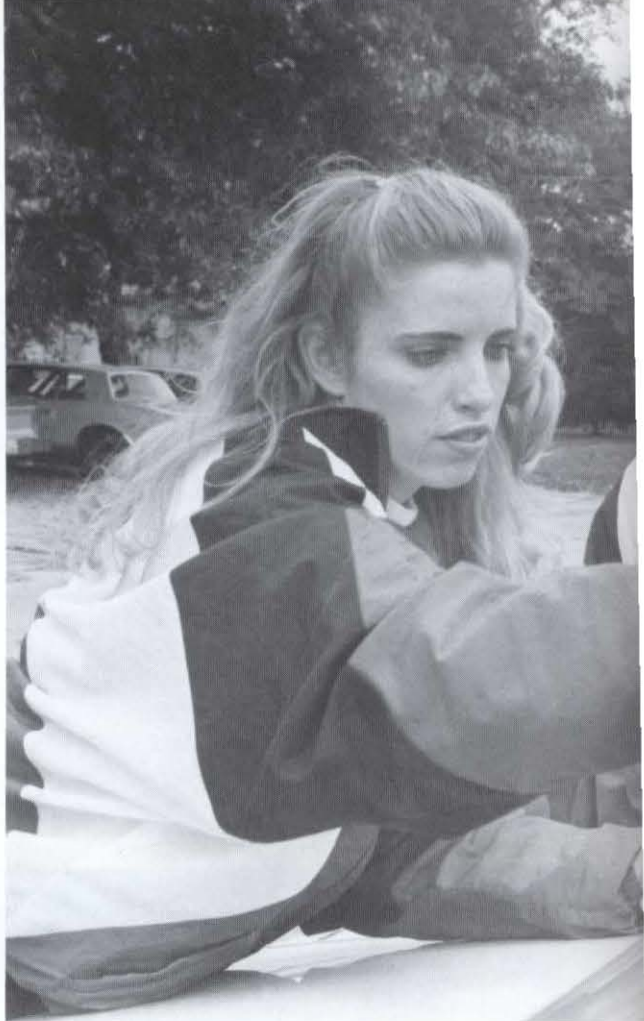
by Amy Reynoldson



Having fun showing their school spirit by dressing up for Clash Day are freshmen Rachelle Theewen and Tiffany Hecker.

Homecoming Friday is a day full of excitement. Getting out to decorate car windows are cheerleaders, senior Carrie Marquis and sophomore Michelle Thiemann.

Dancing the night away at the homecoming dance at the auditorium are sophomores Candee Leu, Jenny Schwartz, and Danielle Dietrich.



A Spirited Feeling

The day of the homecoming football game and dance was a day of school spirit, Scout cheer, and team unity.

Students dressed up on Friday in all red and black to show their support for the volleyball and football teams. The cheerleaders wrote spirited messages on the students' and faculty's car windows and elementary through high school students paraded downtown for the traditional pep rally.

Despite the extraordinary spirit shown throughout the week, the

Scouts lost their football game to Nebraska Lutheran in overtime, 12-13. It was a tough loss for the Scouts.

"I remember feeling terrible about the loss because we played very well as a team, but it was our homecoming game and we came up short," junior Roderick Boss said.

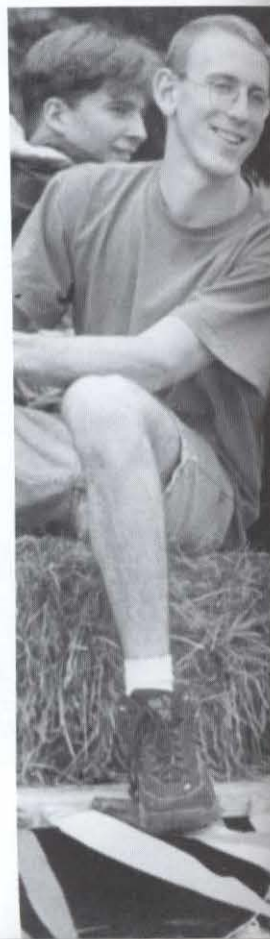
After the game, Miranda Pernicek and Shaun Smith were crowned

queen and king.

Following the coronation, "Midnight Magic" filled the atmosphere at the dance as the students got their minds off of the game. "The dance was pretty fun when we all got into a big group and danced together," junior Desarae Scott said.

The dance ended a week full of activities and spirit.

by Amy Reynoldson





After being named homecoming queen following the football game, senior Miranda Pernicek gets help with her cape from one of last year's royalty, Mike Sloup.



I Guess You Had To Be There

Cody Parker, Tracy Patocka, and Candy Russell-Forney dancing before the dance even started.

Tim Bialas and Luke Cole leading the YMCA dance.

All of the girls lined up and dancing to Sir Mix a Lot's "Baby Got Back."

Cheerleaders washing washable chalk off the sidewalks in their dresses.

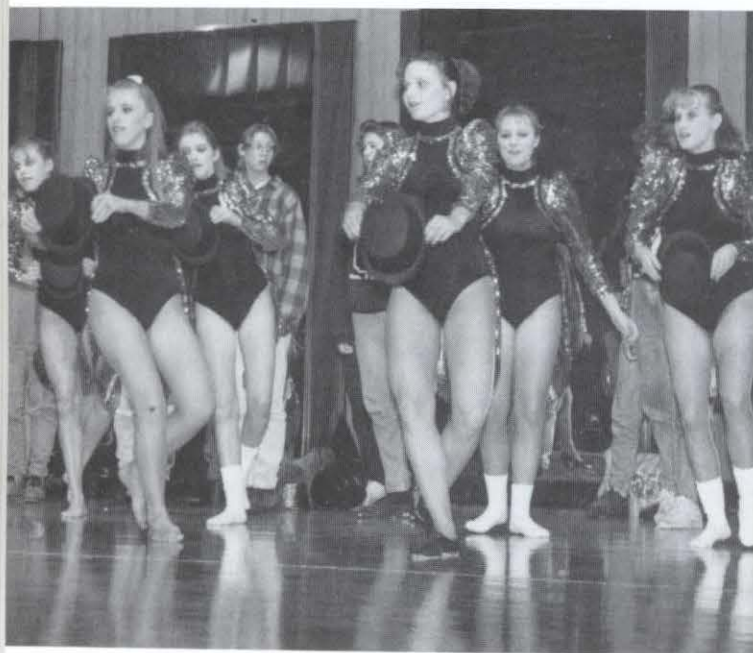
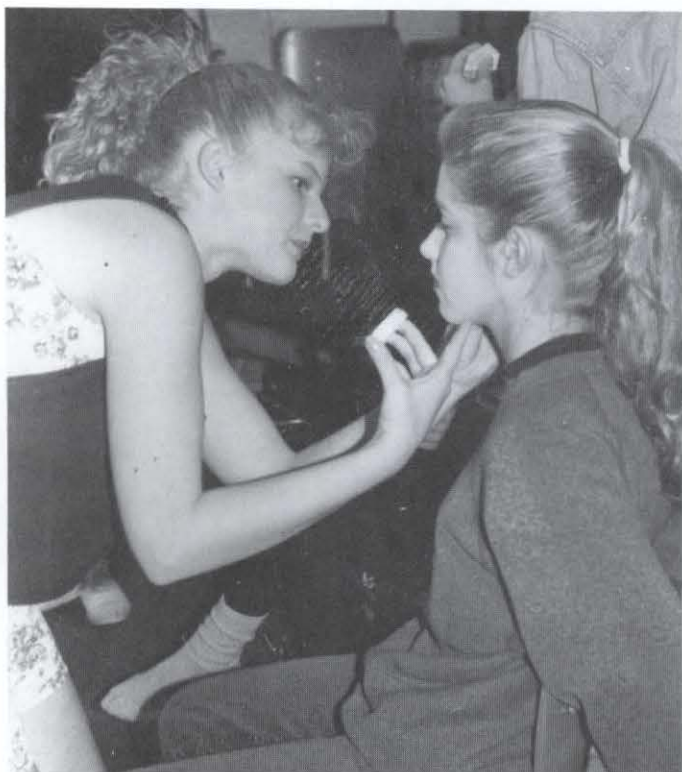


On their way downtown to the pep rally are seniors Patrick Pohler, Chad Forney, Shana Perdew, Cathy Romshek, and Carrie Marquis.

Homecoming royalty are (Front Row): Clint Brandenburg, gift bearer; King Shaun Smith, Queen Miranda Pernicek, Jordan Weinandt, gift bearer (Back Row): Greg Jahde, Blaine Hayes, Matt Davis, Mandy Brandenburg, Sara Bock, and Jessica Taylor.

Getting ready for the show freshman Rachelle Theewen touches up make-up on freshman Wendy Hollmann.

Injured Paula (Naomi Petrik) is supported by Bobbi (Jayme Vandenberg) as Zach (Jake Heins) tries to help after a fall.



Dancing the finale are Crystal Hollmann, Naomi Petrik, Wendy Hollmann, Leigh Petersen, Amy Morbach, and Jennifer Ventris.

Musical Director Deb Merrill plays "One" on the piano as the chorus line dances.





Funny and Worth It

After surviving early morning practices and squeezing in other activities, the students, crew, and directors in the musical felt that the performances had gone well.

"A Chorus Line" was presented on November 3 and 4 with a matinee on November 1 for the upper elementary and middle school students.

"I think the musical turned out O. K., but I was disappointed with the attendance," senior Anita Petersen said.

"A Chorus Line" allowed many individuals to participate. "I chose this musical because everyone gets a chance to perform and show their talent without having one person do all of the acting," Director Deb Merrill said.

However, some were uncomfortable with the musical's structure. There was no lead role. It felt so unstable without main characters," Petersen said.

Even with all the hard work, there were times that made it all worth it to be in the musical. "It was funny watching Leigh Petersen pull her sweat pants' drawstring over her head," senior Jayme Vandenberg said.

Other funny happenings included Janelle Kamrath's shoe squeaking during a performance

and making it sound like someone passed gas, Jake Heins forgetting his lines on the last performance and freezing on stage because the cue cards weren't ready, and a phone number used in the play being the same as Cathy Romshek's sister's and having Cathy's sister react in the crowd when she heard it.

After all the hard work, such moments made it all worthwhile.

by Eddie Ethington



Cast and crew members are (Front Row): Matthew Heins, Wendy Hollmann, Jennifer Britton, Amy Morbach, Jenny Schwartz, Katie Linberger, Anita Petersen, Kathryn Ethington (Second Row): Leigh Petersen, Brooke Hayes, Jerry Krivanek, Naomi Petrik, Rachelle Brown, Lisa Stachitus, Crystal Hollmann, Cathy Romshek, Steph Britton, Elizabeth Stachitus, Janelle Kamrath, Kara Didier, Jake Heins, Jayme Vandenberg, Eddie Ethington (Third Row):

Assistant Director Denise Banker, Jayme Buell, Emily Schmit, Shyla Meyer, Lizette Haynes, Michelle Howe, Amber Garrison, Erin Polivka, Kristin Chmelka, Director Deb Merrill, Brody Riha (Back Row): Becky Fletcher, Amy Grimm, Janelle Gustafson, Tonya Ainsworth, Wendy Fiala, Mandie Lance, Barb Einspahr, Haley Robinson, Cody Parker, Shana Perdew, Michael Nilsson, Brienna Samek, Becky Schmit, and Donna Morbach.

I Guess You Had To Be There

"We all cracked up every time that Elizabeth (Stachitus) did her "song"--which had no pitch to it."

*Deb Merrill,
Director*

"Jake Heins with lipstick on . . ., that's funny!"

*Steph Jones,
Sophomore*

Learning Experience

Competing in mock trial and the one act play was a learning experience for the participants, especially for those with little experience.

The mock trial season went well for the less experienced Team 3 as they managed to upset Silver Creek.

"I thought our team did well considering it was the first year for everyone on Team 3. By the end of the season you could tell there was major improvement with everyone," sophomore Chris Schmit said.

Team 1 performed well and had learned from experience to never give up. "Our last trial was the toughest. We

versed Wahoo 1 and the judges said it was so advanced that it would have competed at state competition," junior Sherry Krivanek said.

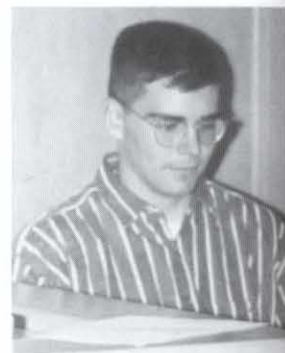
The case dealt with an accidental shooting of a 13-year-old's stepbrother and the parental responsibilities involved.

The one act play **You Caught Me Dancing** was about a lady who served and accompanied Samuel 'Mark Twain' Clemens for 30 years until his death at the age of 34. The lady, por-

trayed by Steph Britton, then had to decide what to do with her life.

With new members in the cast and crew the one act was a learning experience. "It gave many students who might have had a limited idea about drama a chance to see that there are some rewards to it. Also, it gives new energy to experienced cast members because of the excitement of the first timers," Director Audrey Mathiesen said.

by Lisa Cole



The one act cast and crew members are (Front Row): Emily Schmit, Angie Sunday, Leigh Petersen, Jenny Schwartz, Brienna Samek, Lisa Stachitus, Gretchen Heins (Middle Row): Dave Battaglia, Shaun Smith, Steph Britton, Cathy Romshek, Kathryn Ethington (Back Row): Director Audrey Mathiesen, Rick Kocher, Jake Heins, and Matt Davis.

Helping junior Lisa Stachitus get ready for the one act play dress rehearsal is Director Audrey Mathiesen.

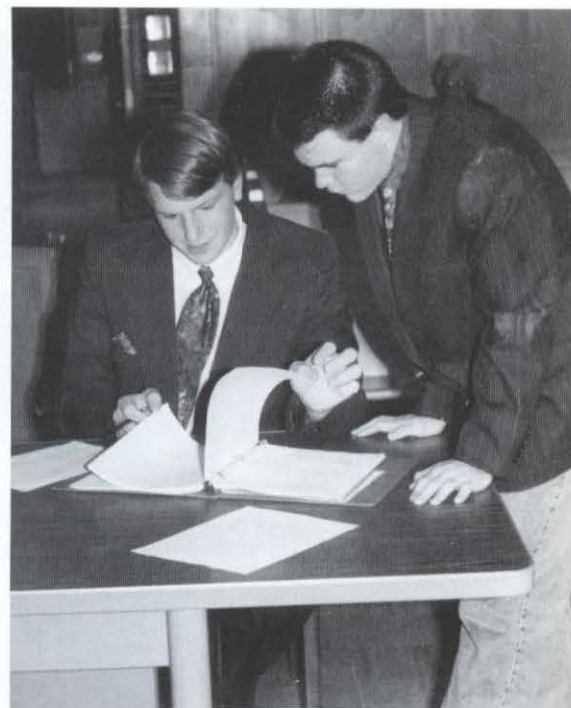


Thinking of a quick response to the question during cross examination is junior Albert Hotten.

at a trial for Team 1 senior Dave Battaglia asks senior Carrie Schmit to identify some of the evidence.



Preparing for their mock trial competition are junior Eddie Ethington and sophomore Eric Marshall. They were attorneys for Team 3.



Mock trial members are (Front Row): Sheila Sauberzweig, Sherry Krivanek, Steph Britton, Carrie Schmit, Dave Battaglia, Mandy Brandenburgh (Middle Row): Ryan Hough, Luke Cole, Nick Arps, Shaun Smith, Brienna Samek, Cathy Romshek, Amy Neemann (Back Row): Teacher Coach Mike Smith, Mark Hassebrook, Chris Schmit, Leigh Petersen, Michelle Sauberzweig, Steph Jones, Albert Hotten, and Eddie Ethington.

Performing a scene from the one act play **You Caught Me Dancing** are seniors Cathy Romshek, Matt Davis, Rick Kocher, and Steph Britton.

I Guess You Had To Be There

Steph Jones, Eric Marshall, and Leigh Petersen were practicing questions. Mark Hassebrook wouldn't let them leave until they were finished. They chased him around the table and threatened to throw him out the window.

In the one act Steph Britton picked the phone up, then it rang.

At the FFA/FHA banquet junior Deanne Ostry receives an award for her SEARCH presentation from FHA president Jayme Vandenberg.

Enjoying their meal at the fall sports banquet are freshmen Chad Kershner and Travis Rathje.



A n Honor to Excel

Throughout the year banquets were held to honor special achievements and participation in extracurricular activities as well as academics.

The banquets included the fall, winter (the winter banquet was postponed because of weather and was included in the spring sports banquet), and spring sports, FFA/FHA, fine arts, and the academic honors program.

Parents, teachers, staff, students, and others associated with academics and extracurricular activities assembled

to enjoy a variety of dishes and exchange stories of experiences throughout the year.

There were many special moments for some of the participants. The fine arts banquet was a special night for senior Steph Britton who won eight awards.

"Steph has worked very hard during her high school career for David City and has been

a very capable leader. I can't think of another student who has been as active and received as much recognition at contests or competitions," choir teacher Mrs. Deb Merrill said.

Recognition was what the awards banquets were about. It was a time to honor those who had given of themselves.

by Eddie Ethington

96 Awards

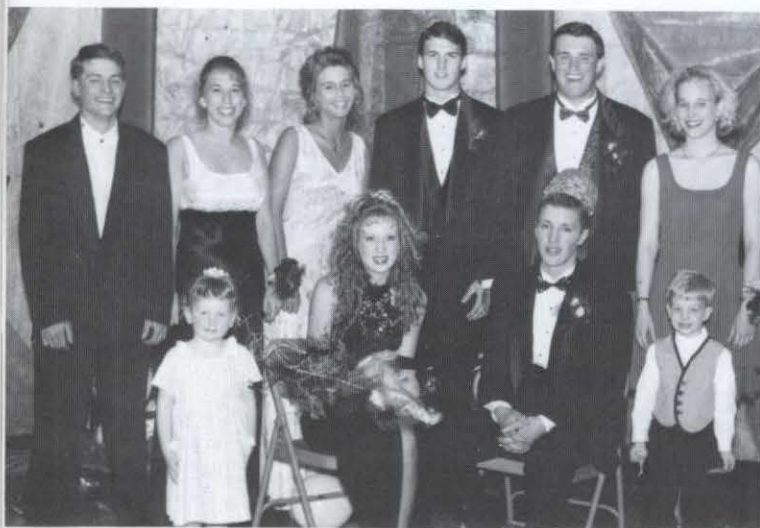


I Guess You Had To Be There

Rick Kocher and
Shaun Smith duke
it out for the win of
the dance contest.

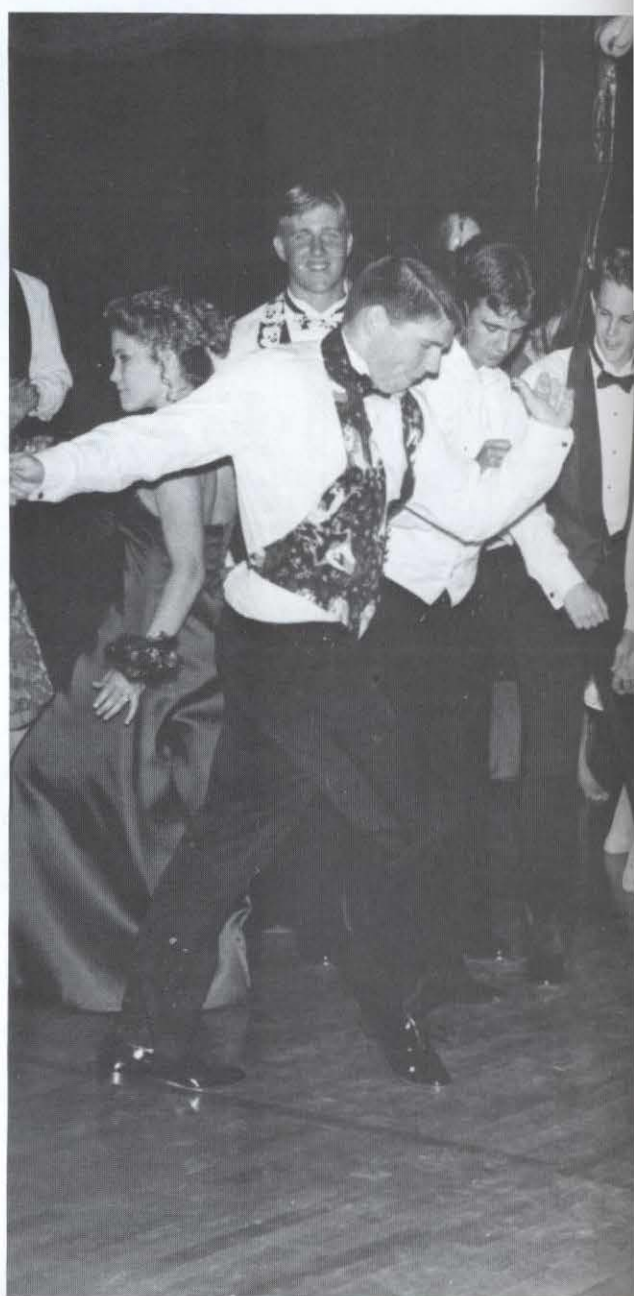
Michelle Thiemann
loses the button off
her dress and dashes
to the restroom.

Prom royalty are (Front):
Hillary Sander, crown bearer;
Queen Jennifer Plisek, King
Brook Hopwood, Kent Stejskal,
crown bearer (Back): Jeff
Sweeney, past king; Carrie
Schmit, Mandy Brandenburg,
Matt Davis, Ryan Hough, and
Sara Battaglia, past queen.



Prom servers are Tyler Behrns, Steph Jones, Leigh Petersen,
Grant Jones, Clark Fichtl, Gabe Bathen, Michelle Thiemann,
Daryl Shockley, Brody Riha, Michelle Sauberzweig, Candee Leu,
and Angie Hilger.

Taking over the dance floor is senior Rick Kocher while class-
mates admire his moves.





Doing the butt dance to "Baby Got Back" are Miranda Pernicek, Sherry Krivanek, Naomi Petrik, Michelle Thiemann, Emily Schmit, and Carrie Marquis.



Waiting in line to get their pictures taken are junior Jeremy Roubal and senior Shana Perdew.

The first dance of the evening is enjoyed by Queen Jennifer Plisek and King Brook Hopwood.



Night to Celebrate

"When Love and Hate Collide" was the theme for Prom '96. Prom was celebrated by the junior and senior classes on May 4 in the school's activities center.

The night began with a banquet which featured the senior prophecies, guest speaker Mr. Jerry Wiggins, and a lasagna dinner provided by the juniors.

After the banquet, students gathered to get prom pictures taken. The dance began after the crowning of the prom king and queen, Brook Hopwood and Jennifer Plisek.

There were a variety of opinions about the decorations, the theme, and the DJ.

"I thought the theme

was stupid. The decorations were nice and the music was OK," junior Deanne Ostry said.

Some students said they felt there was a lack of decorations and the DJ played too much rap and country music.

Others, however, thought prom went well. "Prom was nice. Everything looked and sounded good," junior Jenny Sylvester said.

After the dance, the decorations were taken down and the junior parents sponsored post prom.

Some of the post prom activities included playing poker and watching people do karaoke.

"Karaoke was the greatest! I liked watching Luke Cole and Shaun Smith karaoke to Ghostbusters," senior Crystal Niemann said.

But the hit of the post prom was the hypnotist. "The hypnotist was probably the biggest highlight. It was funny to watch people make fools out of themselves," senior Jess Taylor said.

by Echo Fuller

Enjoying one last time together are Quintin Yonda, Farooq Khan, Blaine Hayes, and Michael Nilsson.

The speakers at graduation were Salutatorian Carrie Schmit, Valedictorian Mandy Brandenburgh, and Class President Emily Schmit.



I Guess You Had To Be There

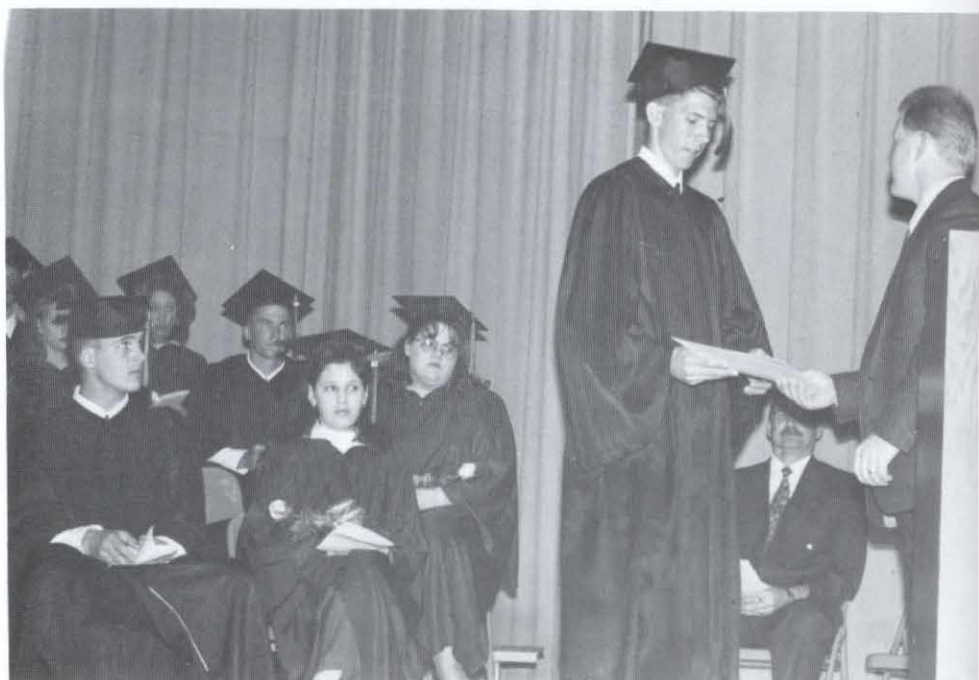
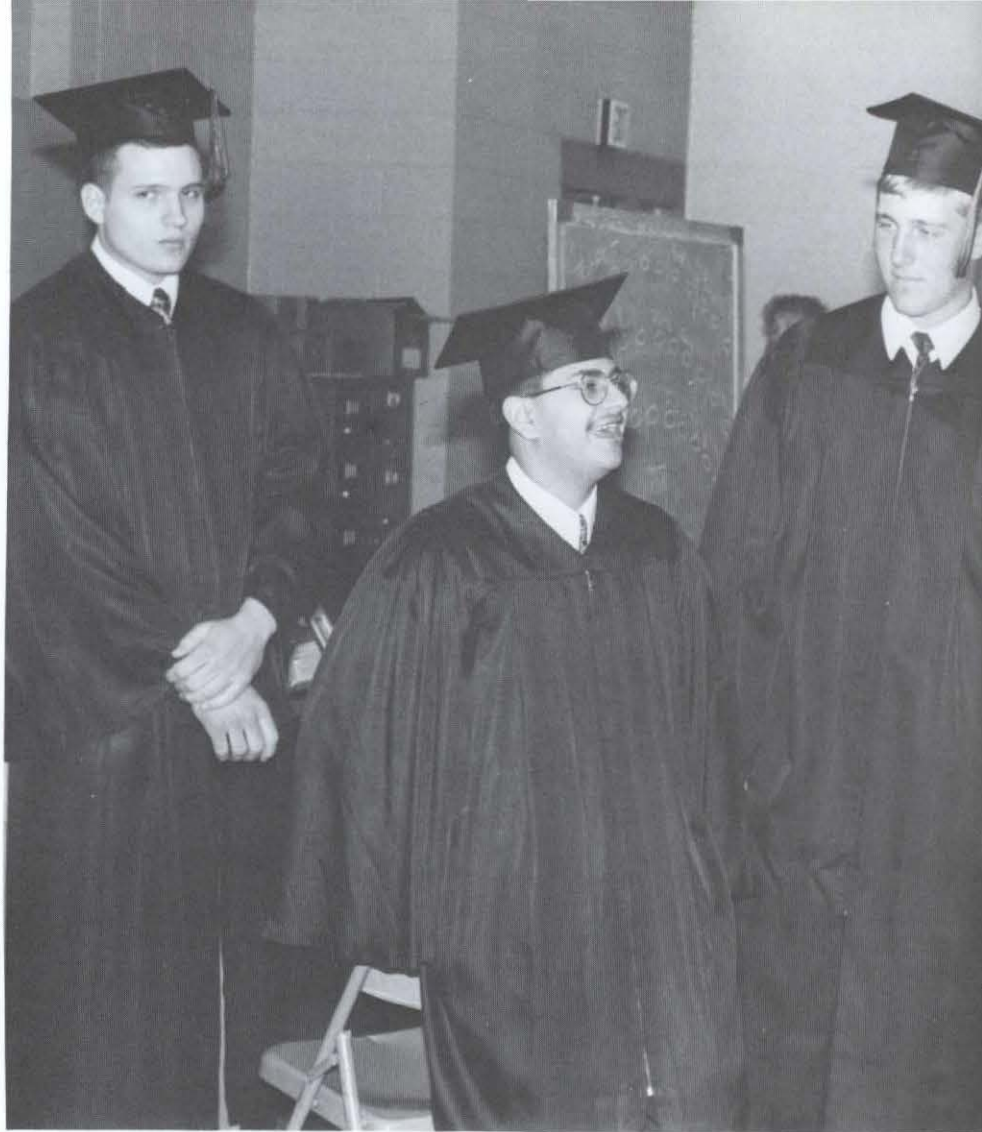
The smiley face on top of Anita Petersen's hat.

They announced Blaine Hayes, but it was Gena Heller's picture.

The thumbs up that Shana Perdew gave after receiving her diploma.

All the decorating the graduates did to their cars.

As his classmates look on, Aaron Hoeft receives his scholarship awards from Mr. Jerry Wiggins, guidance counselor.





L eaving as Friends

"Pomp and Circumstance" rang through the gym as the graduates walked in to take their places on the stage at 4 p.m. on May 11.

The gentlemen were dressed in black robes while the ladies wore burgundy. Each graduate held a white rose tipped in burgundy.

Class President Emily Schmit welcomed family, friends, and faculty with the opening speech. "We met new people and made new friends. We challenged ourselves to expand our minds and our world to a higher level," Schmit said.

The high school choir then sang "Like an Eagle." Salutatorian Carrie Schmit spoke about the separate ways everyone would be going and how the seniors had needed each other. "We

have experienced an abundance of unforgettable times, shared a number of exciting moments, and built many wonderful memories," Schmit said.

Valedictorian Mandy Brandenburg went on to say how the graduates must look forward but remember the past. "When we look back on our high school years, it is our friendships that we will hold dearest in our hearts," Brandenburg said.

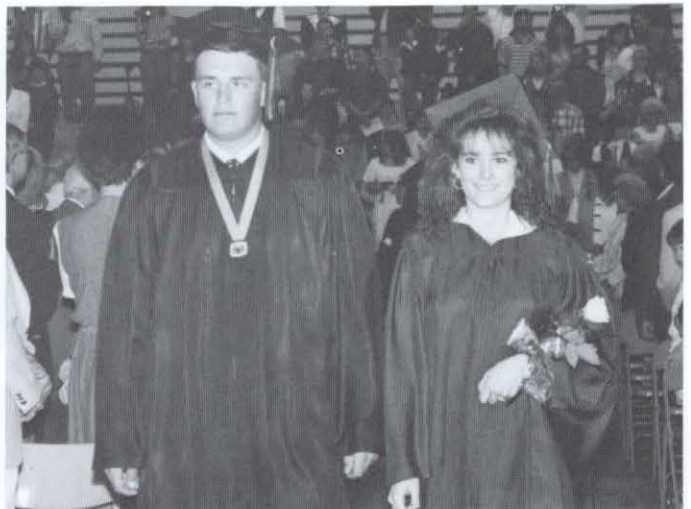
Senior Steph Britton sang "Remember Me This Way." Guidance Counselor Jerry Wiggins presented the honors and scholarships. A slide

show tribute for the Class of 1996, coordinated by senior Jayme Vandenberg, was shown. As the lights came back on, the seniors presented flowers to their parents.

Dr. Vic Thoendel said a few words to the graduates from the Board of Education after which the diplomas were presented by Principal Timothy Hoffman.

The graduates lined up outside where family and friends congratulated them. The class motto's meaning was evident that afternoon. "We met as strangers, grew as classmates, and leave as friends."

by Leigh Petersen



Making their way to their seats during the playing of "Pomp and Circumstance" are Ryan Hough and Sara Bock.

In the reception line, Miranda Pernicek sheds a tear as she is congratulated.

Getting out of school, watching the movie **Billy Madison**, and eating pizza are enjoyed by seniors Ryan Hough, Shaun Smith, Crystal Niemann, and Sara Bock. The seniors earned this day out of school by winning the penny wars competition.

The Youth Center is a place where students can go to play games, watch TV, or in sophomore Mike Bialass's case, just hang out.



Washing dishes at Northside Cafe is junior Ethan Kitto. This was just one of the many different jobs held by students.



Working for money

For most students there just never seemed to be enough of the basic necessity-- **Money!** In order to satisfy this demand, many students were willing to do **ANY-THING** for it. Therefore, they turned to the community for jobs.

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BUT these jobs provided more than money, they also taught responsibility. "My job requires a lot of responsibility since I am dealing with people's lives," senior Jessica Taylor said about her job at David Place.

Some students even enjoyed going to work. "I look forward to going to work at Western because there is never an **ORDINARY** day, and I like to work with people," junior Lisa Hlavac said.

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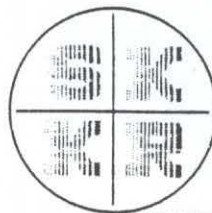
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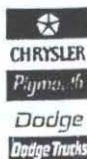
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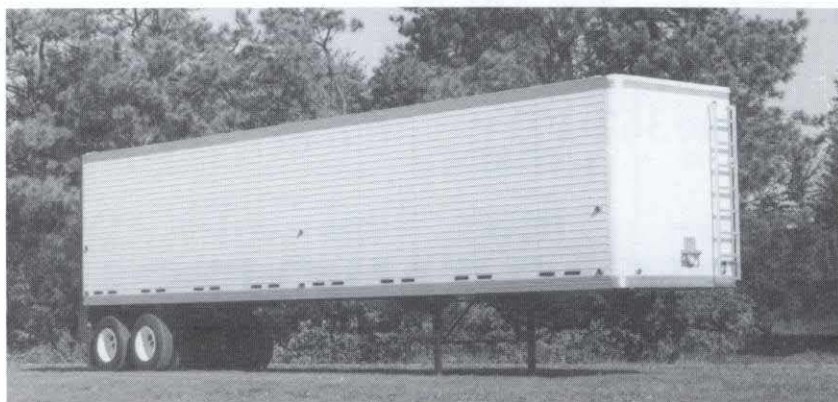
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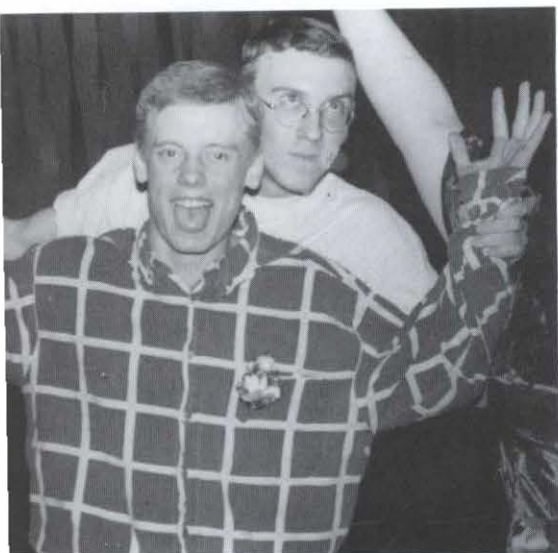
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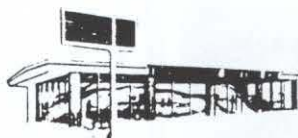
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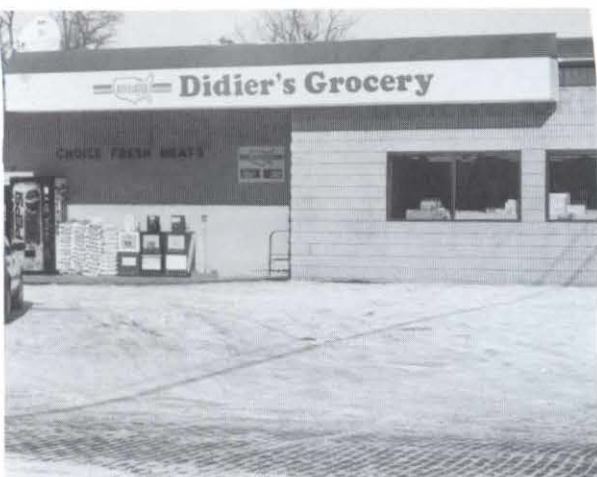


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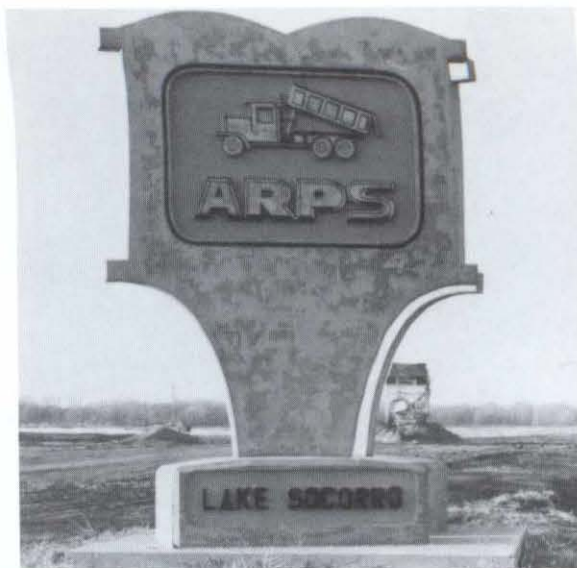
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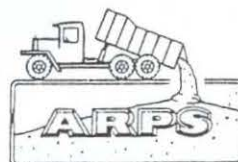
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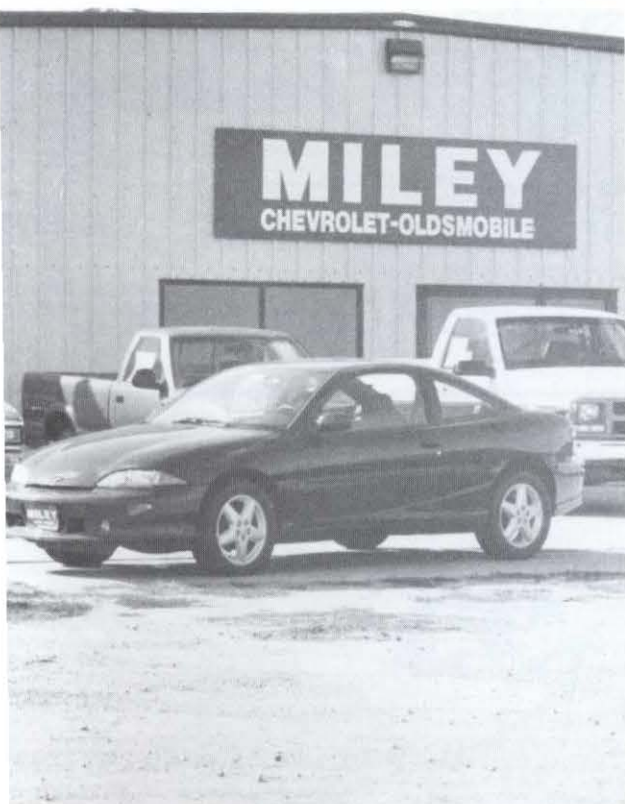
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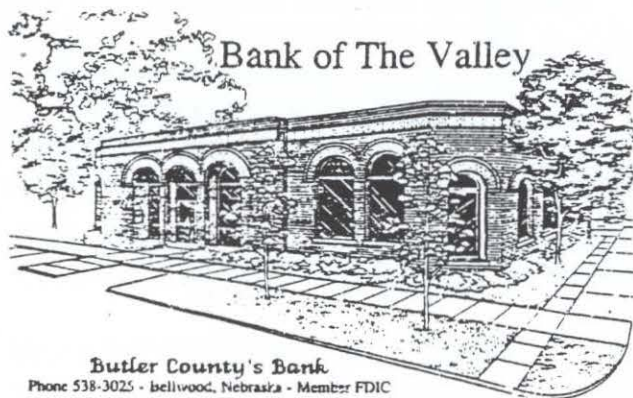
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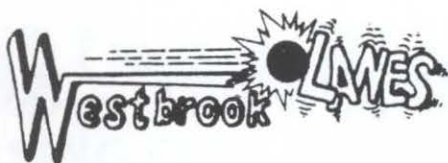
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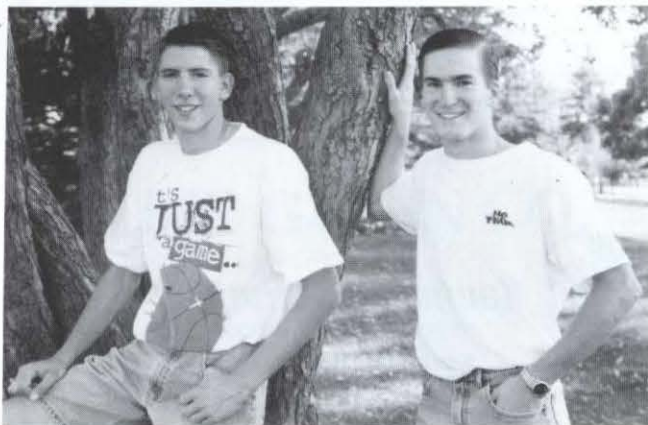
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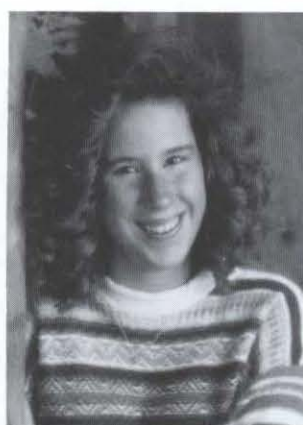
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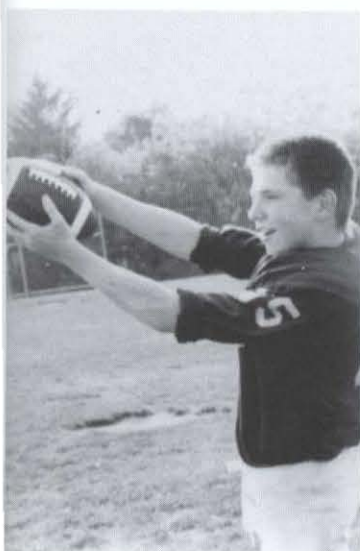


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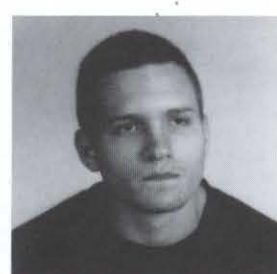
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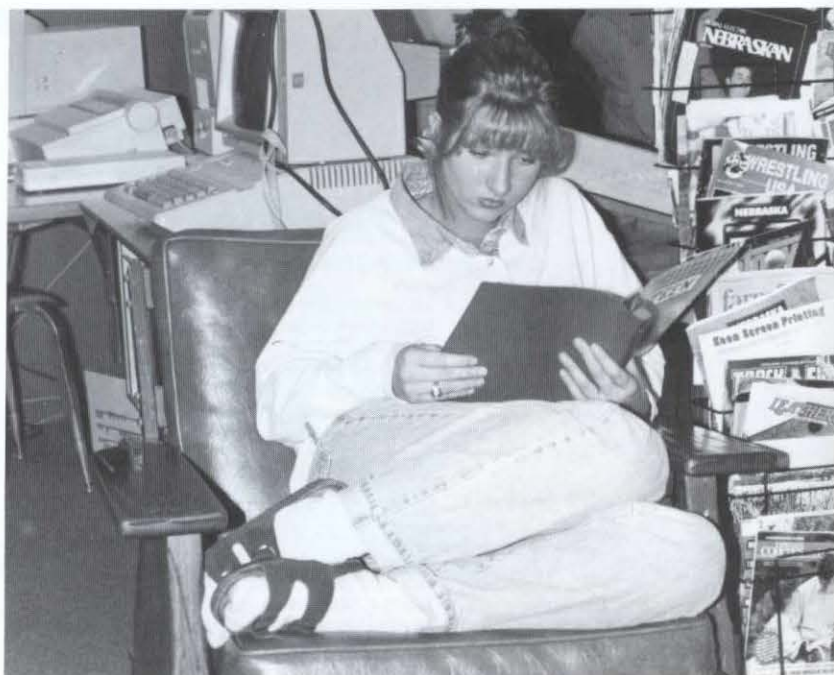
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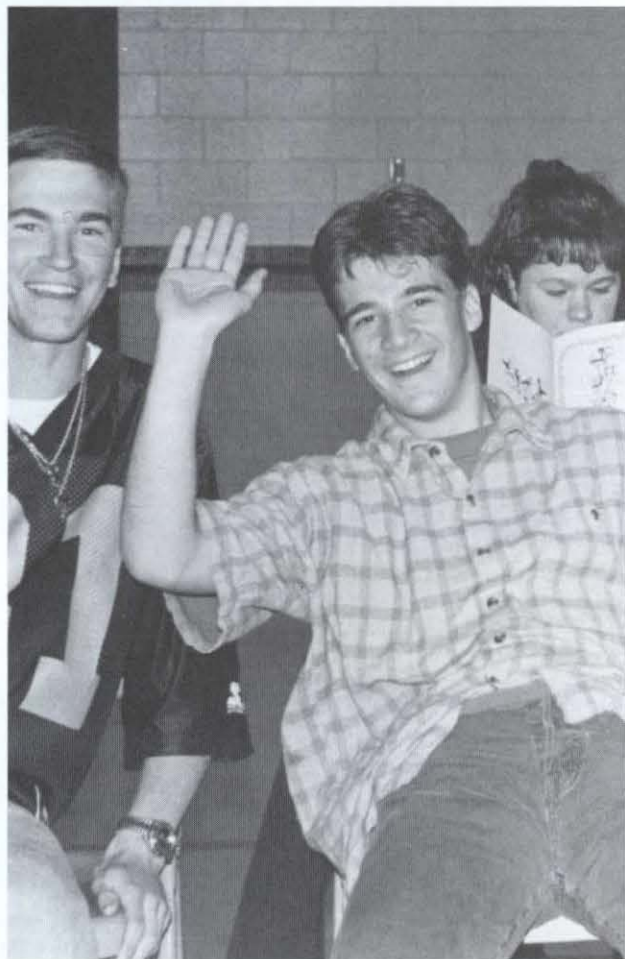
One major change was the graduation date. The seniors graduated on May 11. It was a change from the ordinary because it was a week earlier than usual. "It was great that we got out a week early," senior Brook Hopwood said.

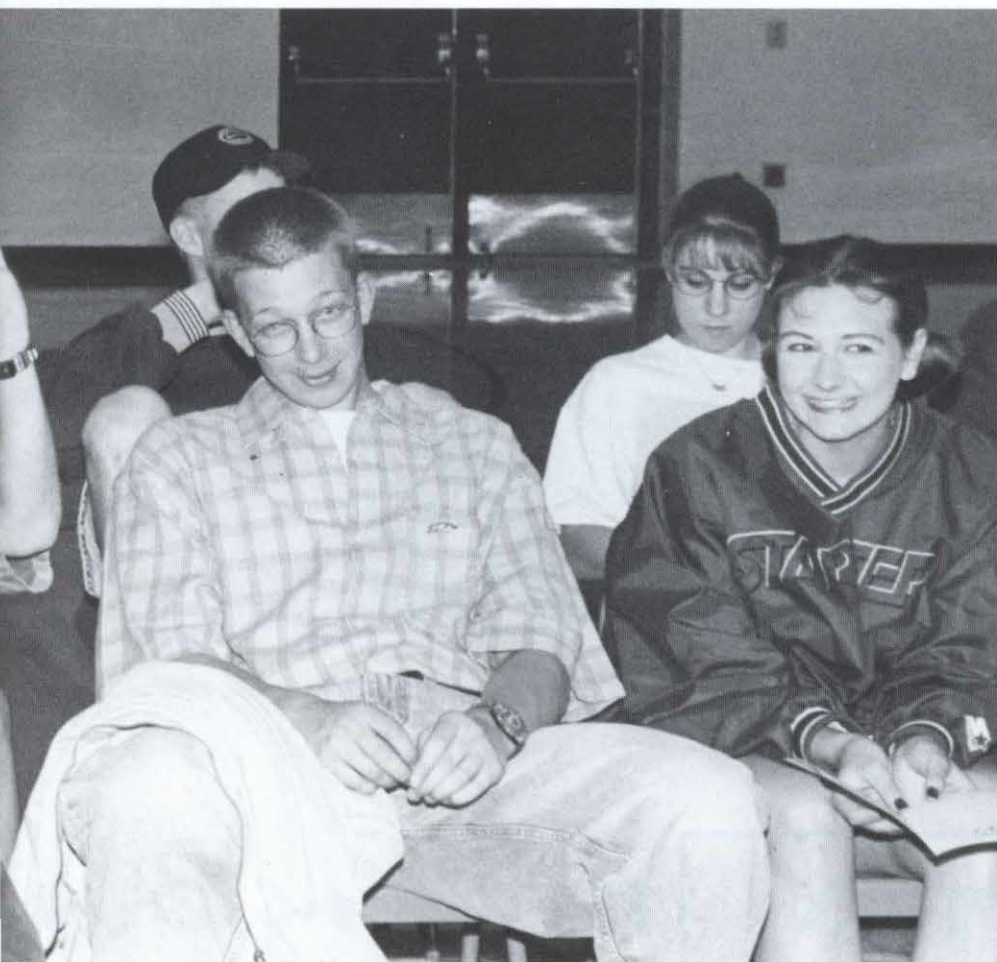
Another adjustment was the construction starting up again. On May 14, the whole bottom floor had to be cleared for asbestos removal. Students and teachers had to adjust to the relocation of their classes for a couple of weeks. "This was awkward because my study hall was on the lower level, and we had to move to a different classroom," junior Jenny Sylvester said.

Along with these changes came an unexpected event. Mrs. Backstrom, prom sponsor, had her baby early, during the week of prom. She also missed the last month of school. This was a big change for students. "We always had different substitutes, and their teaching was different than hers so it was hard to learn," sophomore Michelle Sauberzweig said.

After adjusting to all the changes, most students agreed that this year was definitely anything but ordinary and definitely a year to remember.

After contemplating what move to make in chess, sophomore Junior Huerta moves his pawn while sophomore Mike Egger observes the game.





While waiting for the Spring Swing to start seniors Greg Jahde, Patrick Pohler, Michael Nilsson, and freshman Kara Didier create their own excitement.



Strolling back to his seat after knocking all the pins down at Boulevard Lanes is senior Farooq Khan. The lifetime sports class went to Columbus to participate in the sports they had learned.



Environmental science students Heather Dischinger, Jenny Sylvester, and Bonita Kucera clean around the trees in the south lot so they can be watered.



Taking time to snack with the preschoolers are Mrs. Judy Davis, and seniors Amy Neemann, Jayme Vandenberg, Rick Kocher, Bonita Kucera,

and Corey Forney. The adult living class held playschool for the preschoolers for a week.

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