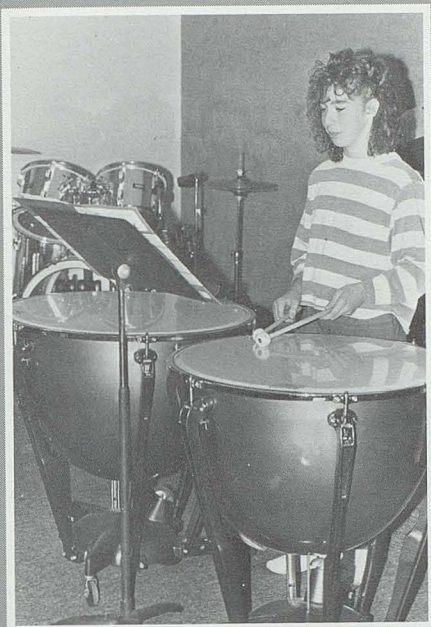


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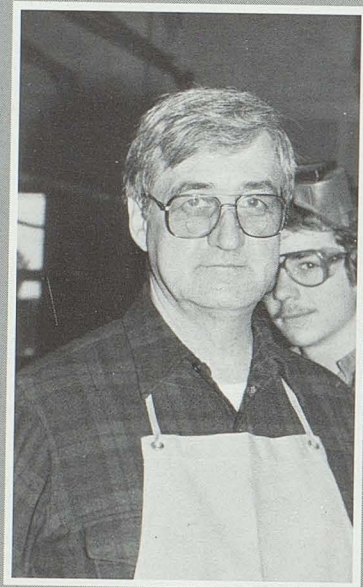


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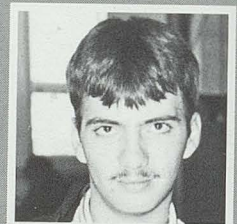
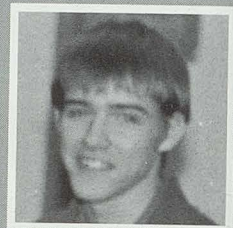
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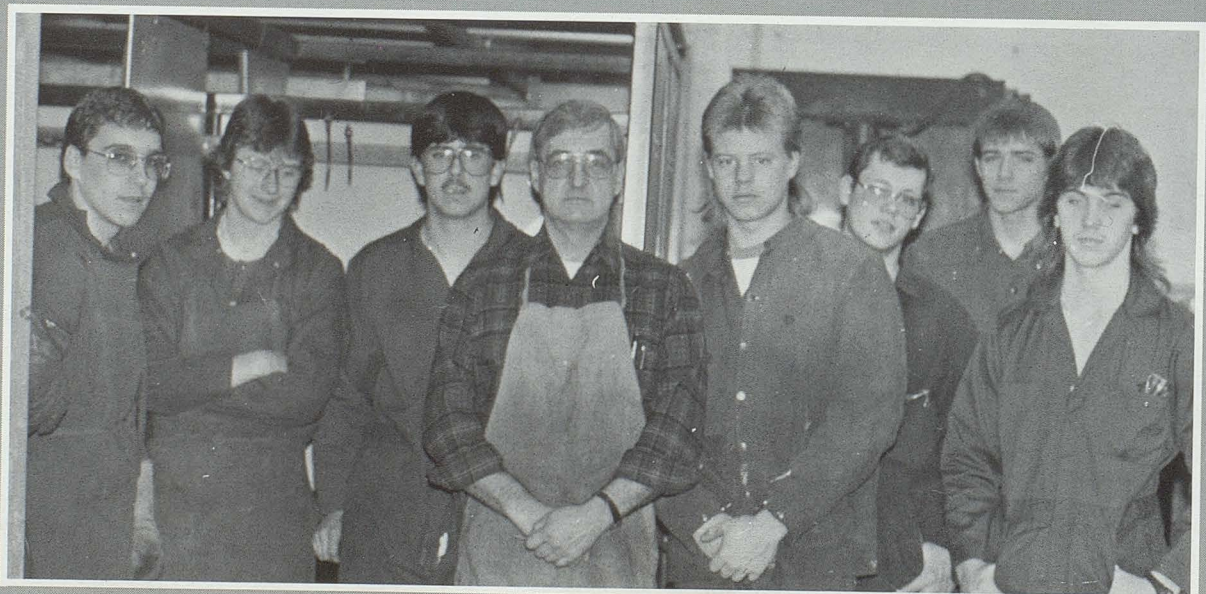
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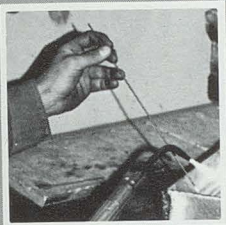
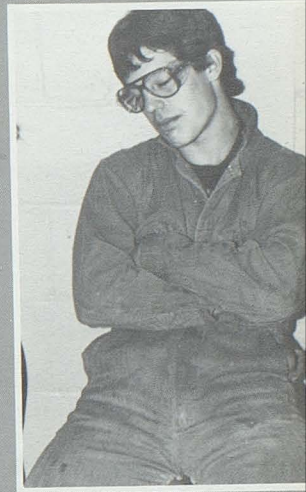


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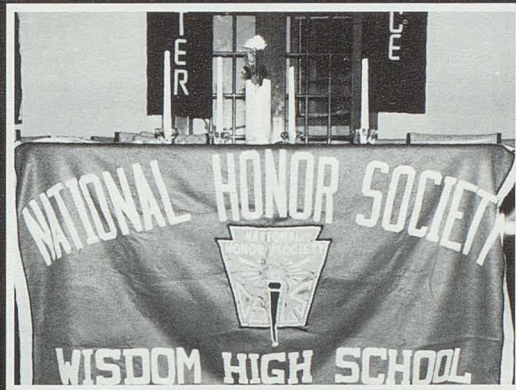
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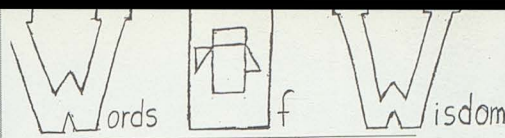


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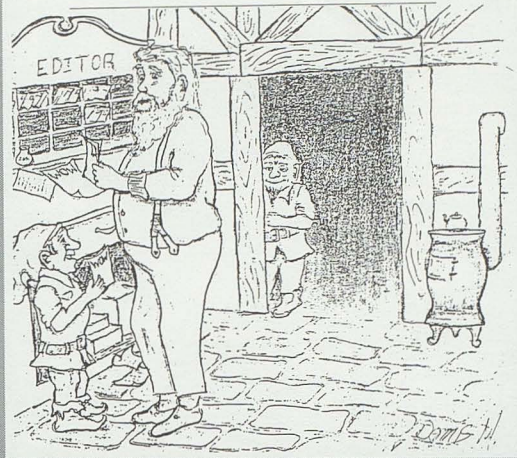


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This year Wisdom High's newspaper staff forged ahead on two fronts and made major advances on both. The bi-monthly school edition of WORDS OF WISDOM often reached as many as 16 pages and was filled with school news, in depth interviews, photos, games, and artwork. The WORDS OF WISDOM column in the local newspaper, the ST. JOHN VALLEY TIMES, also made gains appearing every week in the paper, achieving first billing in a regular rotation with other valley high schools, and more often than not accompanied by one or more related photos.

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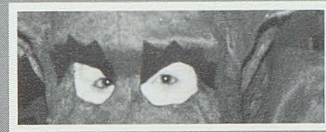
PUFF

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DRAGON

The Wisdom Junior and Senior High Theater season geared up from last years schedule of three productions to five separate theater events this year that included a total of eight plays. The season kicked off with the High School Thespians Halloween comedy/thriller BATS IN THE BELFRY. Sandy Sirois and Shawn Fongemie starred as a young couple caught up in a battle between four spinsters, turned witches — played by Leta Fongemie, Robin Wrisley, Dona Saucier, and Dawn Bouchard — and their ex music teacher, turned warlock, Mr. Ogilby — played fiendishly by Scott Lavertu. For the Christmas holiday season the Junior High students — who proved to be a wealth of talent and dedication this year — wowed children of all ages with three performances of PUFF THE MAGIC DRAGON. Wisdom was only the second school in the nation to perform this play which was adapted from the song by the famous folk musicians Peter, Paul, and Mary. Monia Pettingill brought the role of Puff to life and solved the problems of troubled young Jackie, skillfully portrayed by Rhyne Clapp.

The High School troupe was back onstage by February providing a varied evening of theater entertainment with three one act plays. Tears of laughter turned to tears of sorrow and back again as first Keith Ayotte emceed a farcical beauty pageant, then Ron Guerrette received the awful news, from Dr. Miriam Talbot, that his newborn had died in the waiting room — also occupied by two sisters. Engaged in an emotional battle, dramatically portrayed by Kelly Couture and Tracy Michaud — and finally the audience was brought out of the gloom and back to side splitting laughs with the antics of Jenny Michaud as a newborn baby, Dona Saucier as her tough as nails coach, Scott Lavertu and Nicole Corriveau as her sickeningly sweet parents and Paula Dumais as her trouble making baby sitter. This grueling schedule probably went a long way towards preparing Wisdom's young actors and actresses for the season's challenging finale, three different productions, based on ancient Greek themes, performed in April during the Athens North theme week. First it was the Junior High's turn. Again they showed skill beyond their years, combining fast paced acting and highly expressive mime in a group of skits based on AESOP'S FABLES. Over 20 students had parts led masterfully by Eric Michaud as Aesop. Eric's talent caught everyone's eye earlier in the year as the professor in PUFF and throughout the year he came through with standout performances in increasingly demanding roles — even helping out by taking on two parts in High School productions. Next another Junior High one act play, CONVERSATIONS WITH A SPHINX, told the woeful tale of cruel destiny as it unfolded for Oedipus. This difficult play with its meta-physical overtones and mysterious riddles starred Erik Myers as Oedipus, Rhyne Clapp as the temple priestess, and Monica Pettingill as the beastly sphinx. A classic Greek tragedy, Sophocle's ANTIGONE, closed out the week and the year. The play, performed in its entirety, by Wisdom High's cast, tested the abilities of some of the school's finest drama students with long soliloquies, staccato dialogue, and many emotional clashes between the characters. Jenny Michaud led the cast as Oedipus' noble and defiant daughter, giving a performance the school newspaper voted the years best. She was well supported by the rest of the cast featuring Scott Lavertu as her tyrannical uncle, Kreon, newcomer Naomi Michaud as her indecisive younger sister Ismene, Keith Ayotte as her doomed fiance Haimon, and Ron Guerrette as the blind but wise prophet Theiresias. It was a tremendous year for Wisdom Drama. Due to the fine talent and dedication of the actors, set designers, lighting crew, make up artists and hostesses, the school has gained a reputation for being a leader in theater. In 1988-89, to be a member of Wisdom Drama was to be a member of the best in theater.



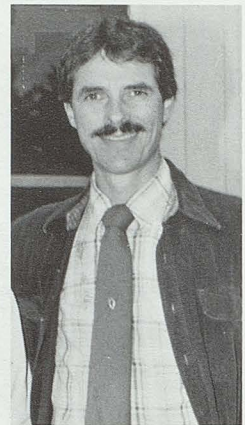
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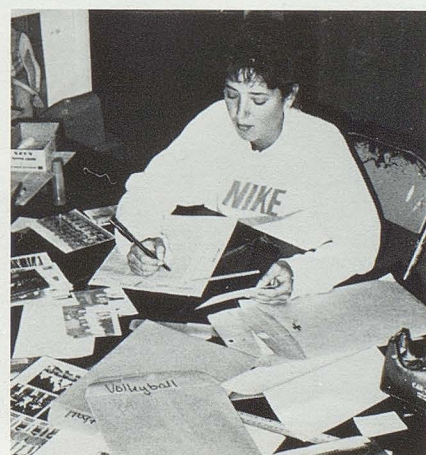
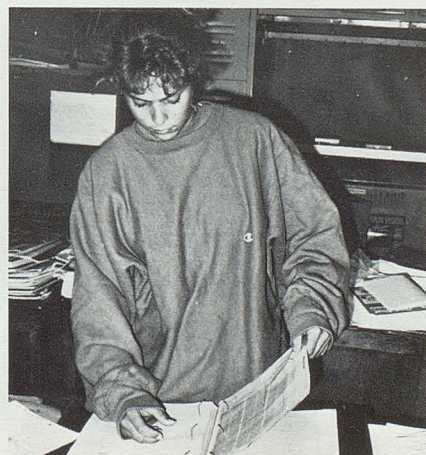
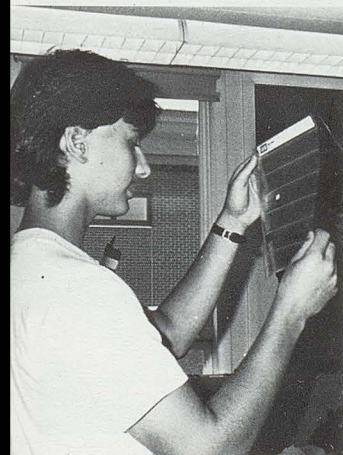
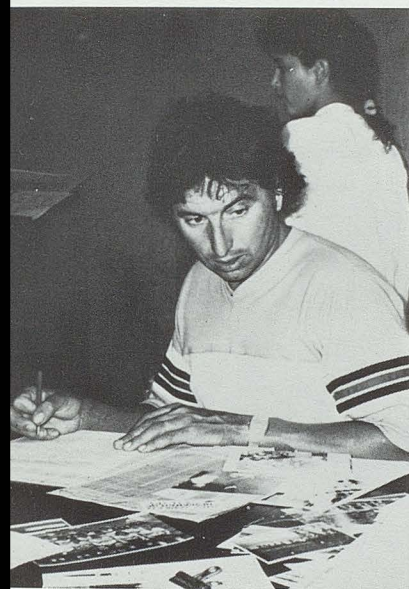


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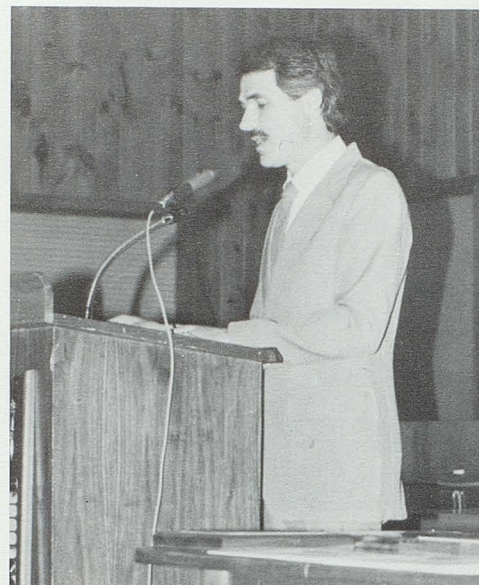
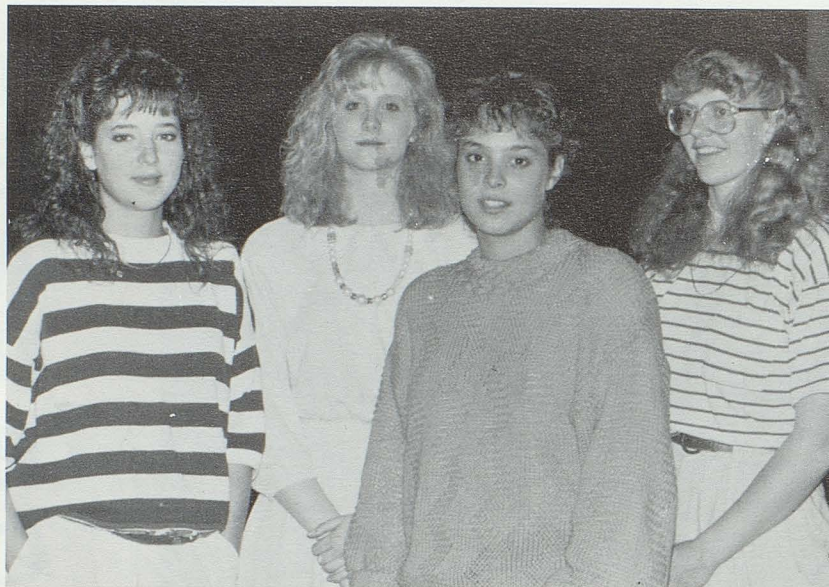


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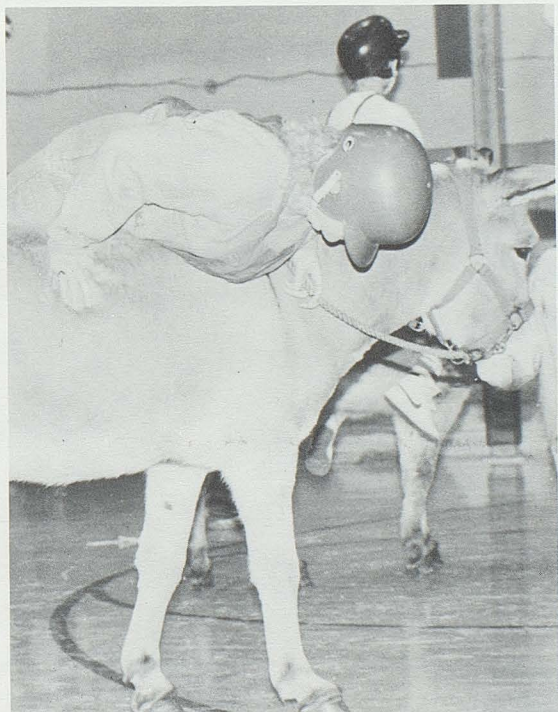
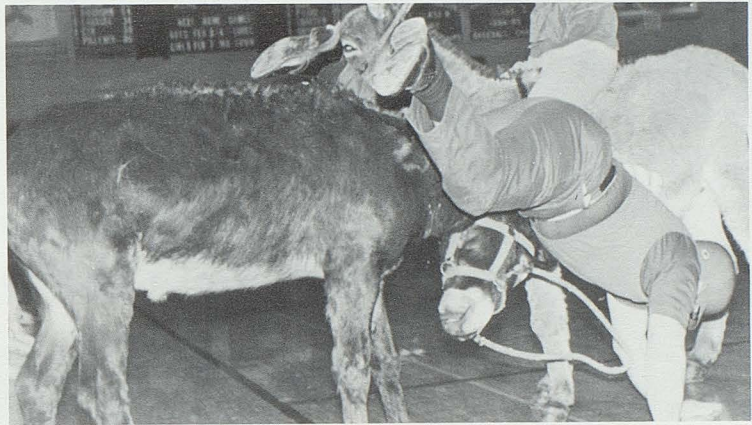
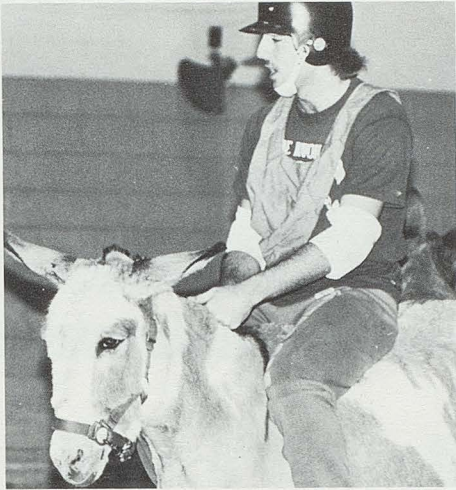
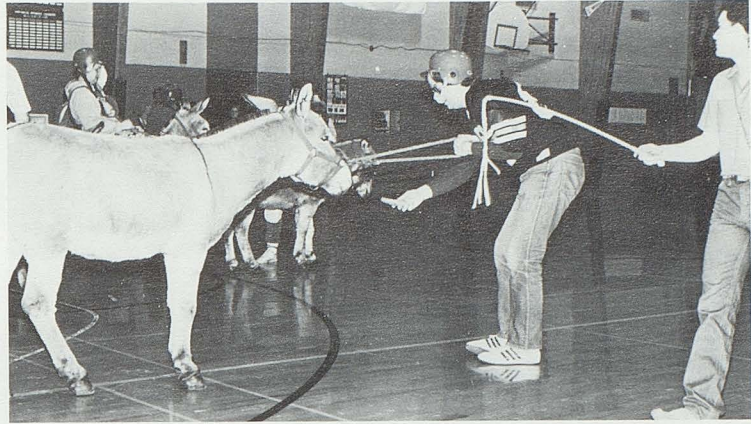
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MEL HAROLD

IN SEARCH OF POE

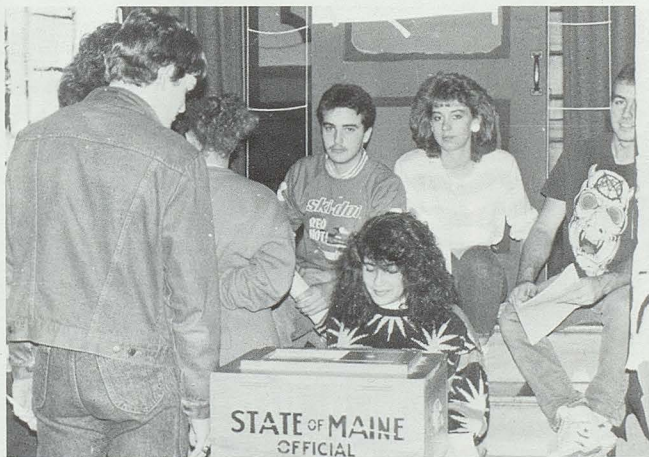
It was a black day at Wisdom High School when Mel Harold came to perform, but never fear, it was meant to be that way. Or should we say ever fear, because when Mr. Harold came it was really the spirit of Edgar Allen Poe come to visit, or rather haunt, the premises. For over an hour Harold dramatically carried out his one man show, the voice of Poe telling his autobiography, reciting his poetry, acting out the TELL TALE HEART, fielding questions on Poe's private life and melancholy romances. It was sad, scary, insane, informative, entertaining and came complete with a black hat and a stuffed raven. We all hope the raven was wrong when he croaked nevermore!



This year Mrs. Faucher's senior zoology class went on a unique field trip. While hunting one of the students had seen a cross off in the distance (center of photo). Mrs. Faucher's class, being an adventurous group, decided to explore the unknown. After school one day, teacher and class, piled into cars and drove as far as possible into the woods. Continuing on foot through the brush they were surprised to suddenly find themselves surrounded by tombstones, some dating as far back as the year 1802. The students picked up the tombstones and returned them to the church. All and all it was a successful and exciting expedition.



Mock Elections



On November 3, 1988 the Wisdom Jr. Sr. High School held their mock elections. Of the two candidates for President Michael Dukakis had 126 votes over George Bush with 41. For the United States Senate, George Mitchell had 178 votes to Jasper Wyman's 11. For Congress, Ken Hayes received 83 votes while Olympia Snowe won with 104 votes.

Child Development

Miss Walker's Child Development Class experienced the joys and frustrations of motherhood and fatherhood for two weeks in October. Their "children" were actually five pound bags of flour.

Students in the class include Scott Lavertu, Paula Dumais, Dona Soucier, Nicole Corriveau and Dawn Bouchard.

The students picked out of a hat to decide who received boy, girl or twins.

Scott Lavertu received a boy and named him Robin Hood. Paula Dumais received a girl and named her Heidi. Nicole Corriveau received a girl and named her Polly Ester. Dawn Bouchard received a boy and named him Buckwheat (Bucky). Yes Dona Soucier received the fraternal twins. She named her son Pillsbury and her daughter Flourina.

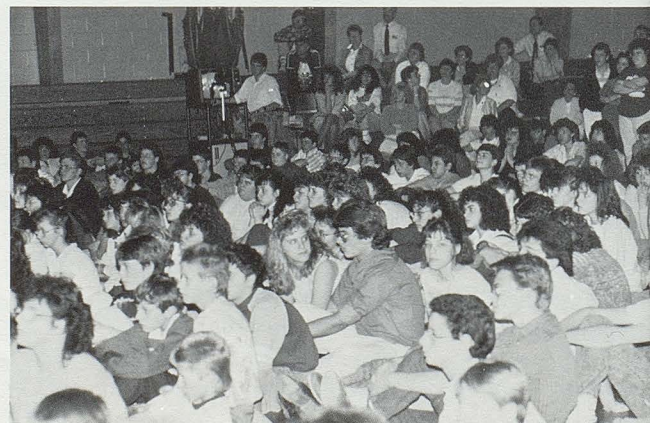
The parents were obligated to bring their children wherever they went. If the student could not bring them, a babysitter had to be hired. All in all it was an educating experience and the students learned exactly what it takes to be a parent. The parents certainly were attached to their children but they were relieved when the children were finally retired.

Rick Pinette

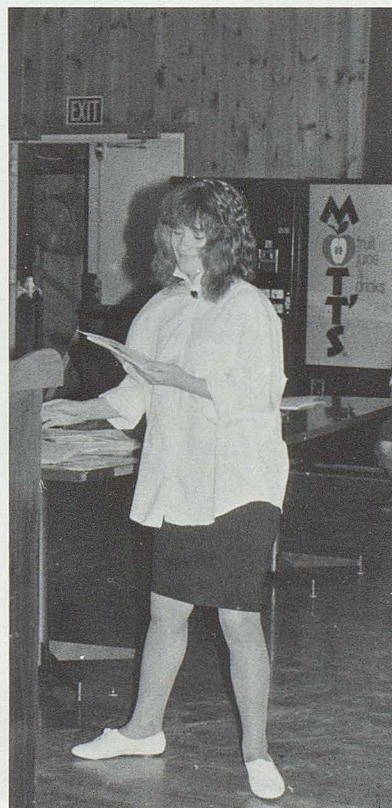
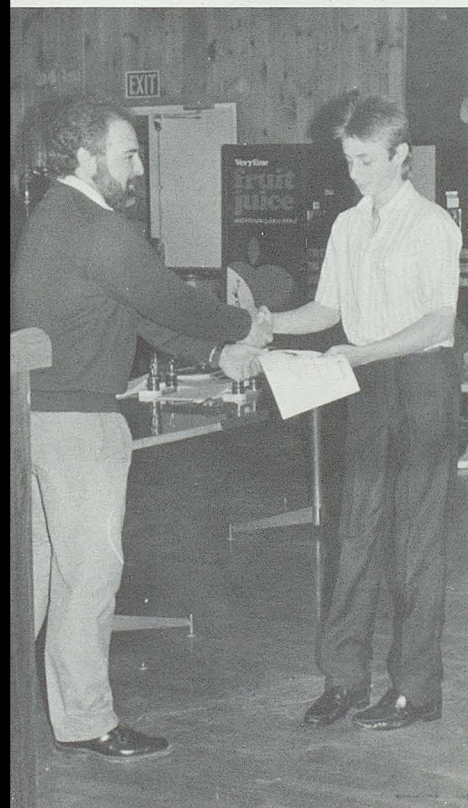
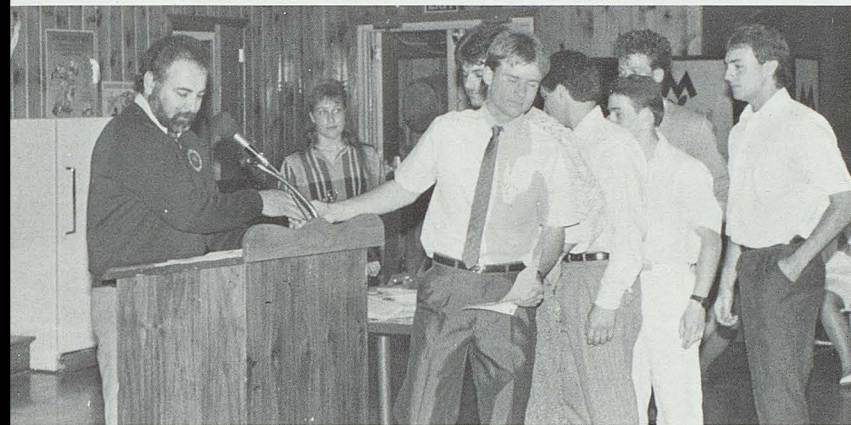
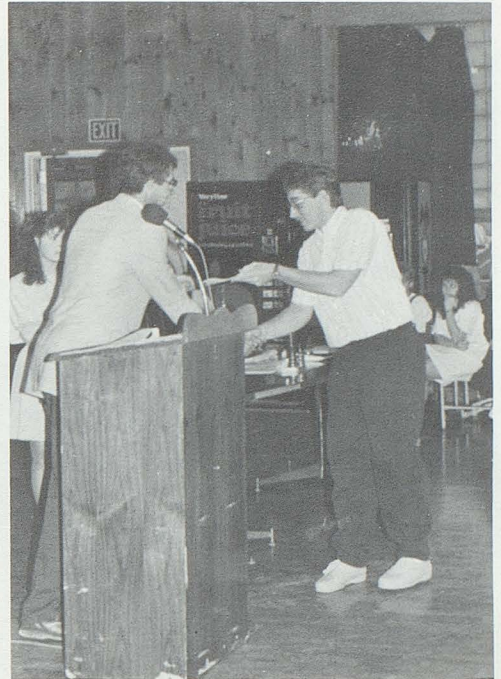
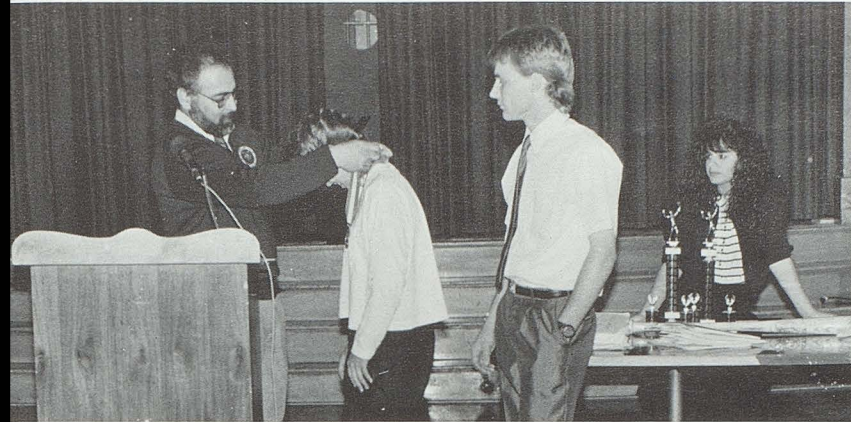
On May 4, 1989 the Student Council invited Rick Pinette to Wisdom High. Pinette is a member of a band from Portland. The program called "I am OK, I am one of a kind" started with a few songs from the band which immediately grabbed the student's attention. Pinette talked to the students and tried to reach out to them about the dangers of drugs. He emphasized that drugs are not needed for a life of happiness. He also talked to the students about self-concept, positive thinking and peer pressure.

In closing after playing an emotional song about love Pinette asked the students to come forward and accept an "I am OK" pin which symbolized that feelings were neither wrong or right and that it's OK to be yourself and to stand by what you believe.

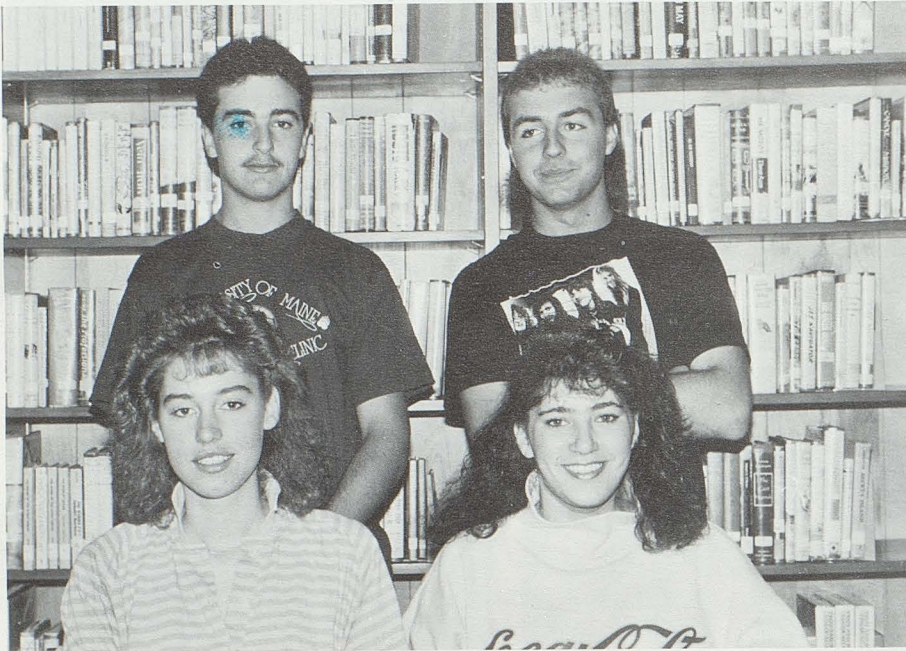
The program was very successful and touched many students. There were a lot of compliments about the band. Hopefully they'll come again.



Athletic Banquet



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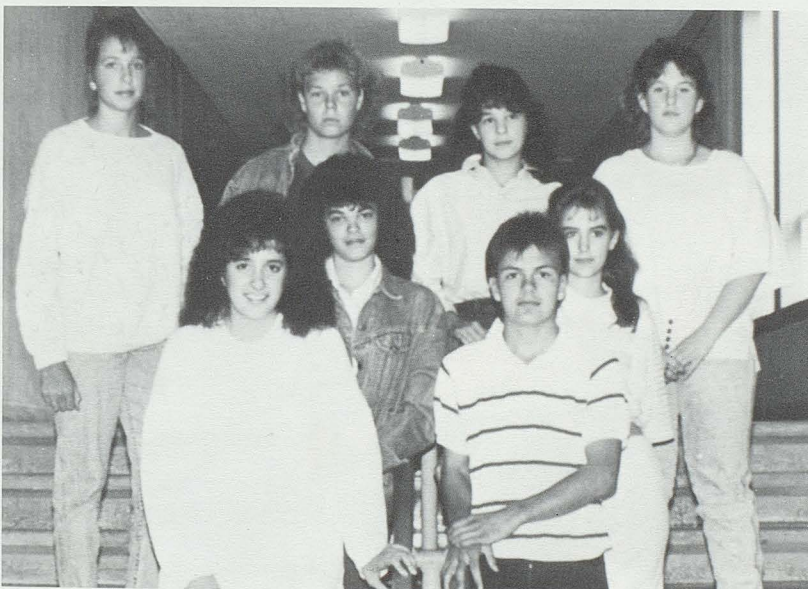
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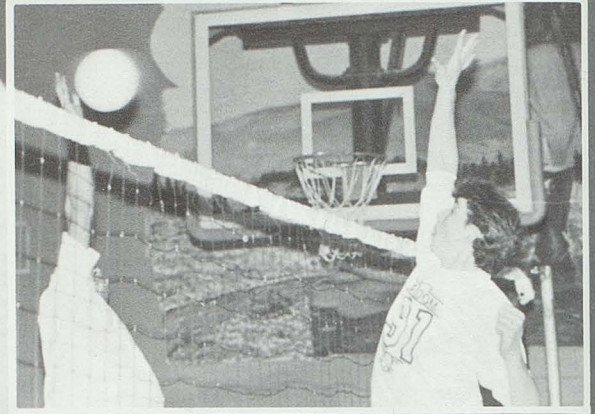
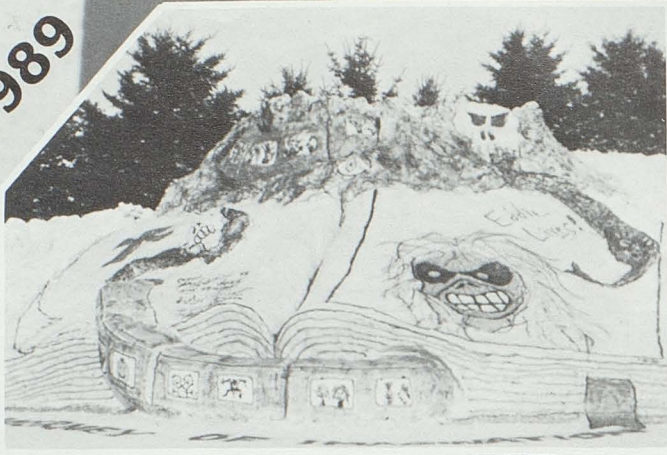
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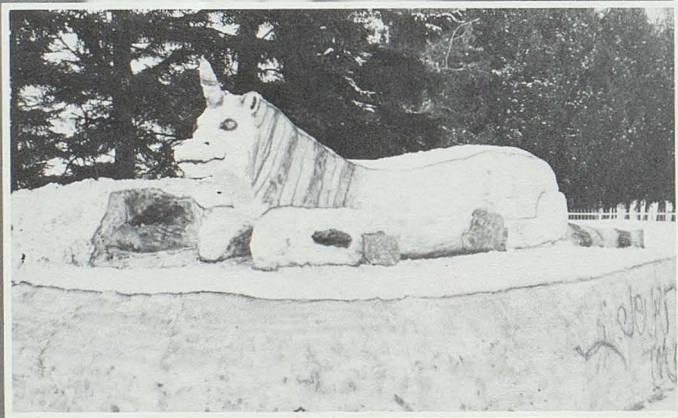
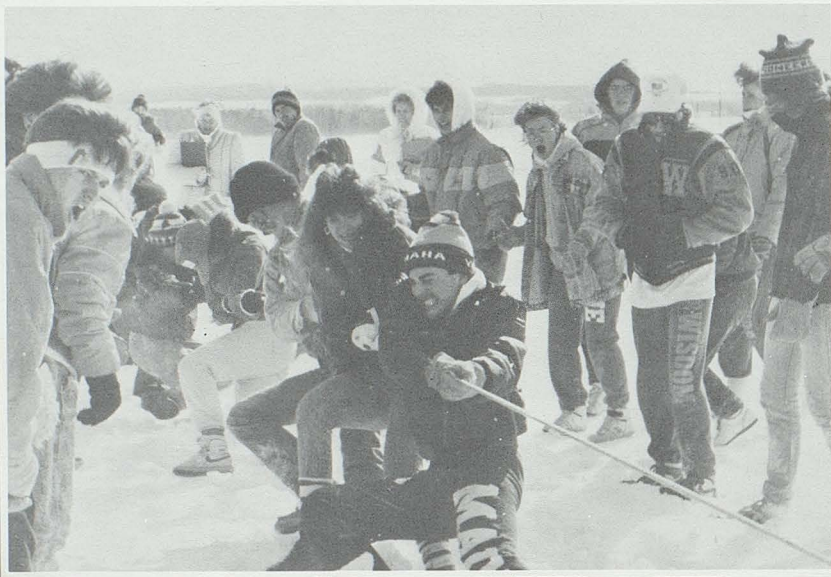
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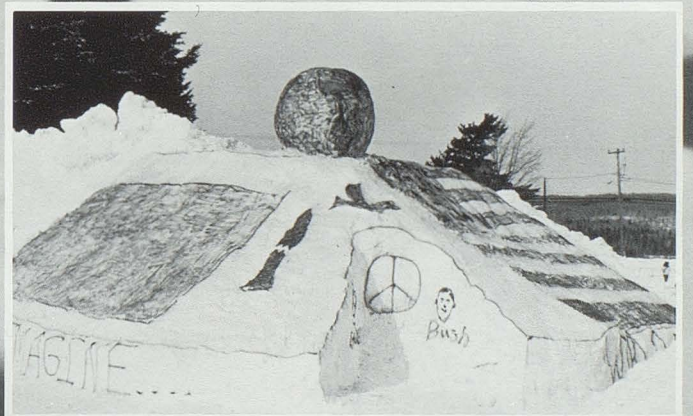
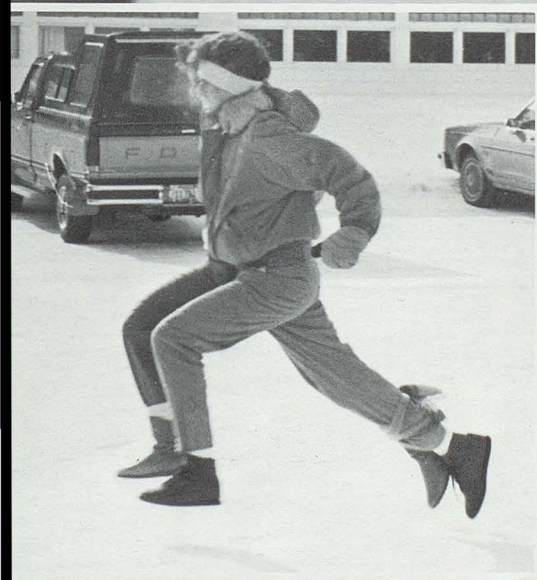
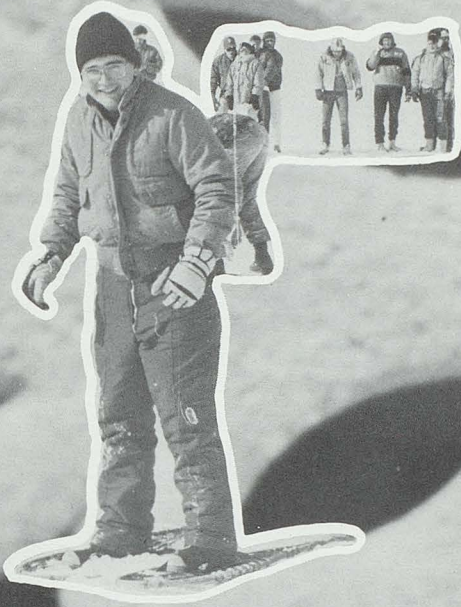


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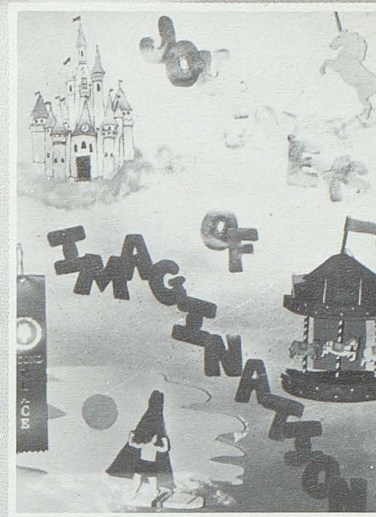


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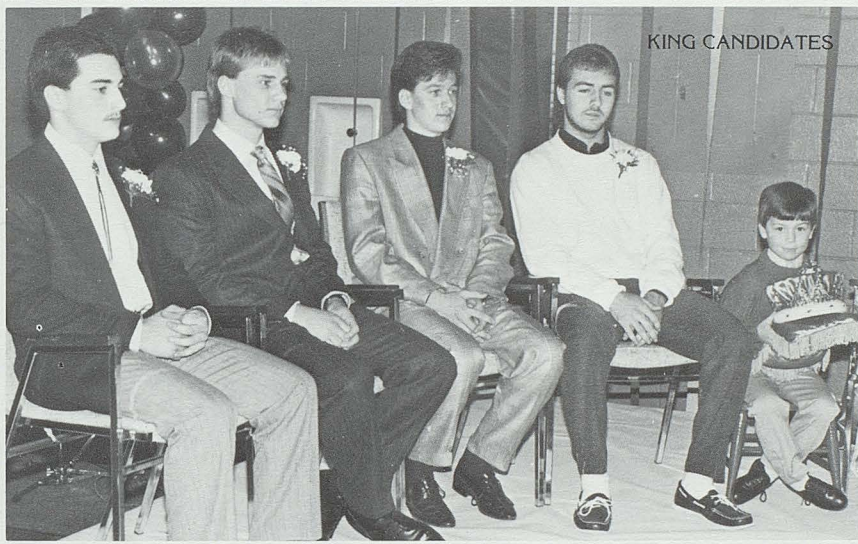




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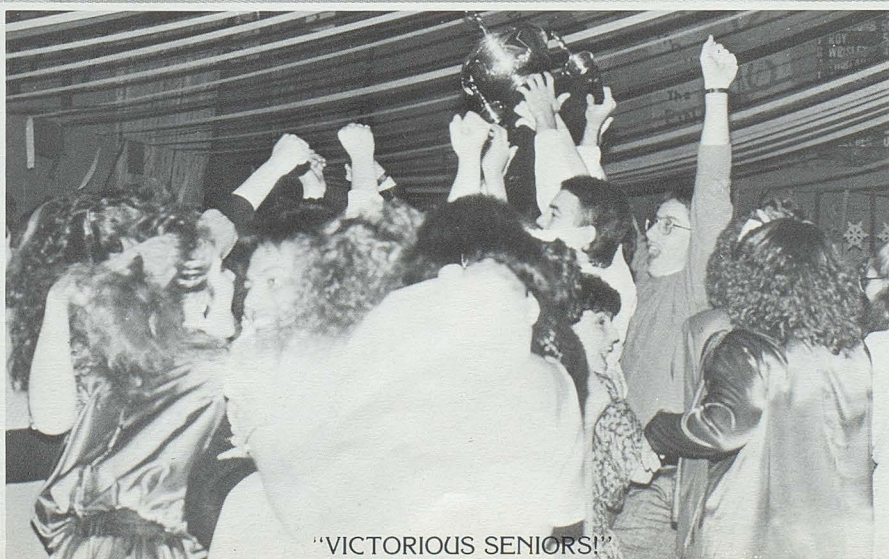
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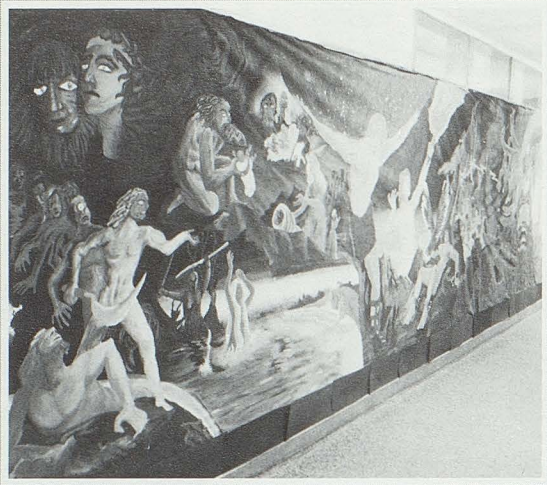
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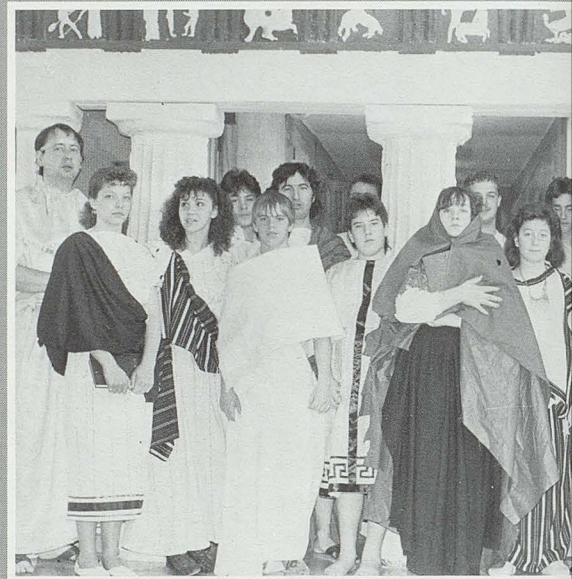
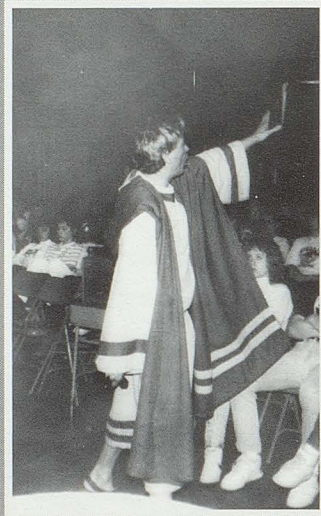
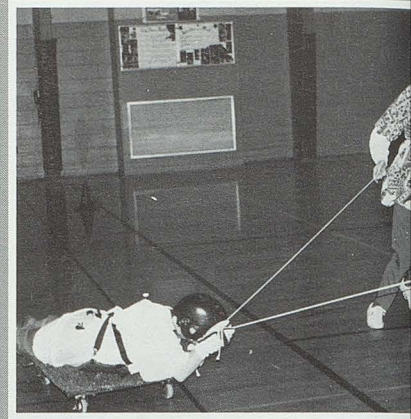
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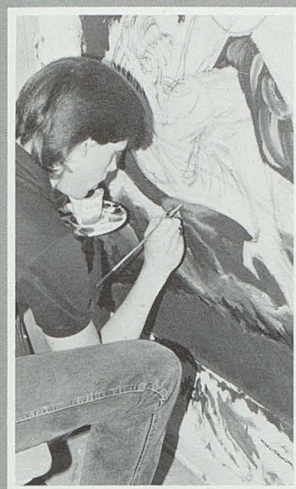


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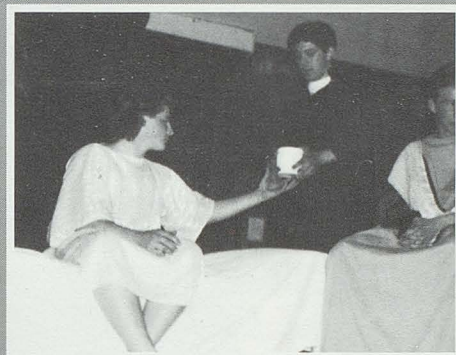


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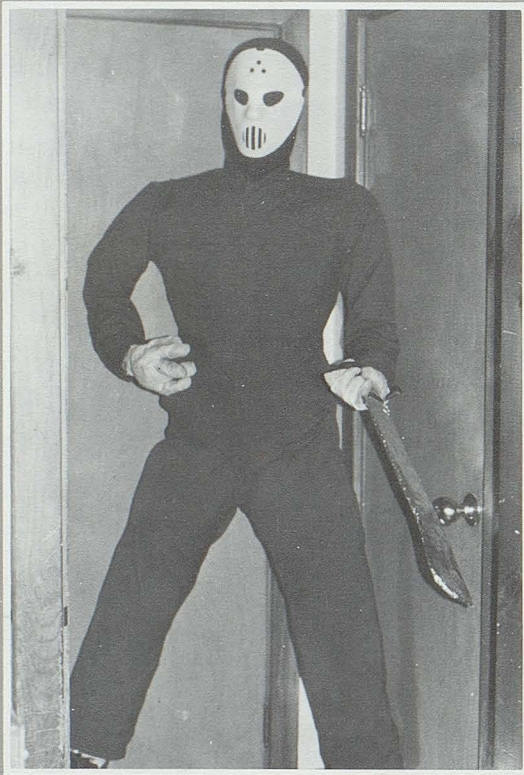


For one week in April this year Wisdom High School was transported across thousands of miles and back through thousands of years to the time when Socrates, Praxiteles, Leonidas, and Sophocles walked among marble temples dressed in chitons while debating the nature of man and myth, the principal of democratic government, or fighting battles which would determine the future of Western civilization on the Rocky Plains of Greece. Affectionately dubbed "Greek Week" it was actually the result of an innovative grant designed to increase student awareness of an ancient culture through an interdisciplinary, integrated, and fun approach. The week was highlighted by many events such as performances of "Aesop's Fables," "Conversation with a Sphinx," and Sophocles' tragedy "Antigone" put on by Wisdom's drama students — daily olympic competition in the gym featuring the discus, javelin, hammer throw, and chariot racing — an ancient version of the game show Jeopardy officiated by the mythological god Dionysos — eighty feet of hallway murals depicting Greek myths and a walk-thru mock up of the Parthenon facade — a dramatic reenactment of the death, by drinking hemlock, of Socrates — and a guest appearance by classicist Frank Smith costumed as Nestor of Pylos. Wisdom even reaped some long term benefits with valuable lighting equipment, art supplies, and library resources permanently added to the school. But overall it may have been the little things that made the week a success: stepping out of homerooms named Corinth or Megara each day, walking through Doric and Ionic colonnades on the way to the next class, eating barley soup or roast lamb for lunch, passing classmates dressed in authentic Greek costumes in the hallway, or having a science class visited by Aphrodite and Aries. The week presented a challenge to the talent, imagination, and versatility of Wisdom's students and staff — a challenge that they met and exceeded.



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FOR TWO WEEKS THIS SPRING THE WISDOM CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SPONSORED A CONTEST TO FIND THE IDEAL MALE STUDENT. THE CONTESTANTS TRYING TO TAKE OVER THE TITLE FROM LAST YEAR'S WINNER, MARK CHAMBERLAND, WERE GARY CHAMBERLAND, TROY DAIGLE, DAVID PELLETIER, LARRY CHASSE, GARY CHASSE, SCOTT SINCLAIR, SHAWN OUELLETTE, JAMIE MORNEAULT, AND SCOTT MARQUIS. THE CONTESTANTS HAD TO GO THROUGH A GRUELING SERIES OF EVENTS INCLUDING CATEGORIES SUCH AS "BATHING SUIT", "PERSONALITY," AND "EVENING GOWN". VOTES WERE CAST BY PLACING MONEY INTO A CONTAINER TAGGED WITH THE CONTESTANT'S NAME.



David Pelletier earned first runner-up honors in the Mr. Wisdom Contest. The top honor, however, was taken by senior favorite Shawn Ouellette. For winning this cherished honor, Shawn received many prizes including a \$100 college scholarship and free admission to all music and drama productions for 1989-90 at Wisdom.

