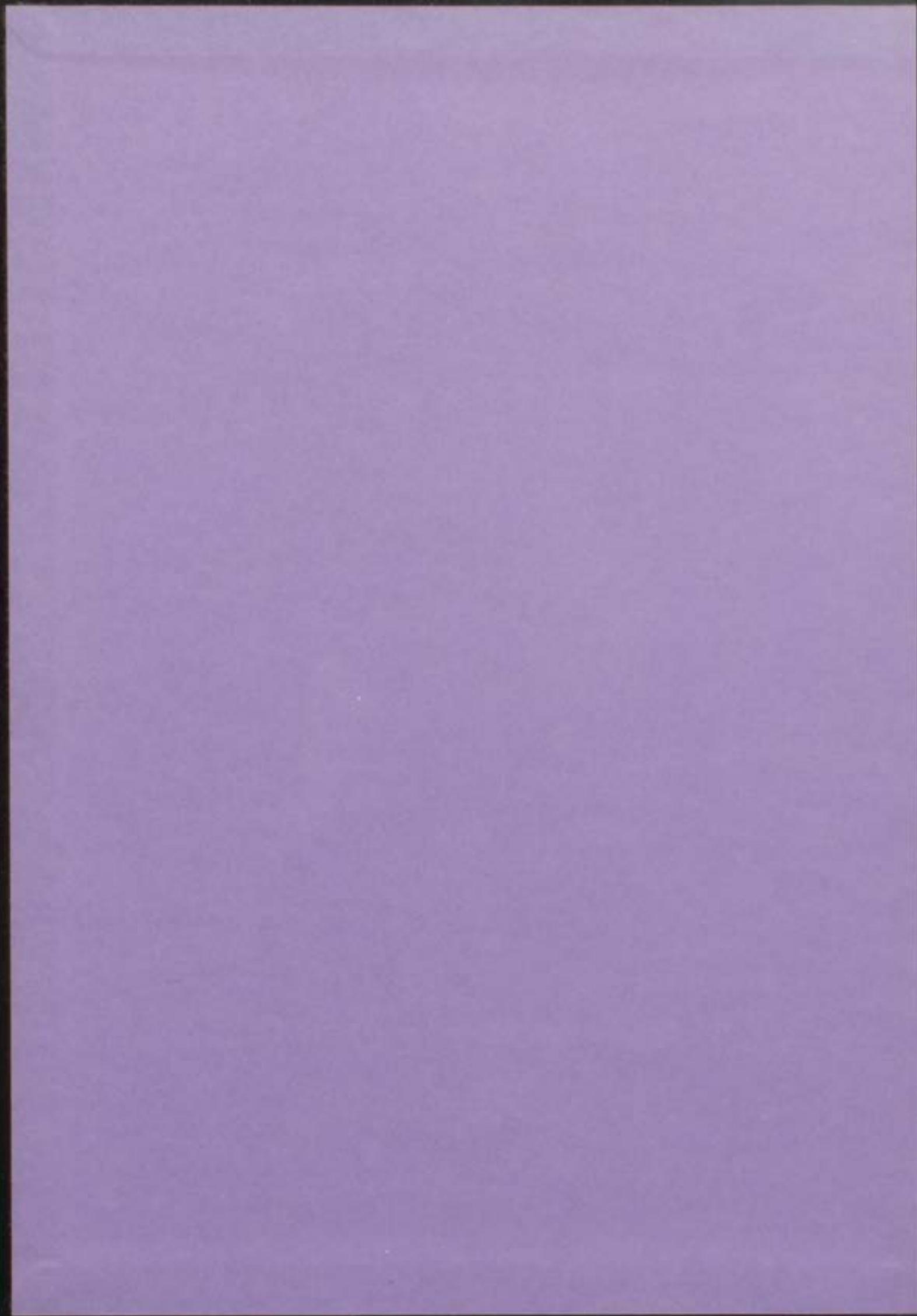
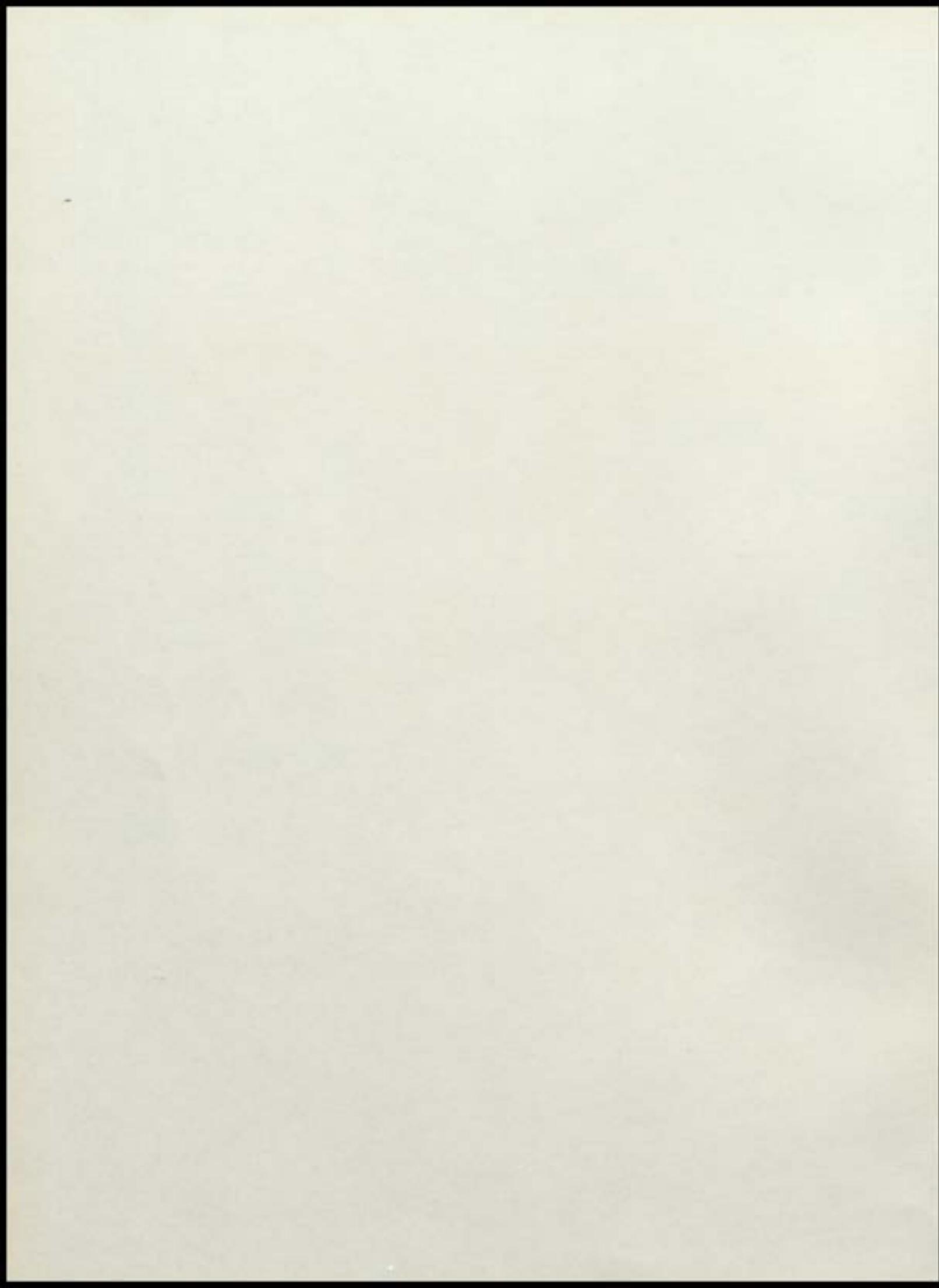




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REMEMBER WHEN? In the fall of 1992, Freshmen John Strack, John Tracy, Katie Koebel, Jeff Morris and Ryan Tabaka showed relief that they had finally made it to the big time...High School.

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A YEAR TO REMEMBER

The 1995-96 school year started with a new class of freshmen coming in and an old class of seniors ready to leave. The year was full of many exciting events, the O.J. trial being the biggest. Some huddled around the TV in the library, while others grouped together up at the

Super K, all waiting anxiously to hear the innocent verdict. On the local level, SOS contributed a great deal to the school. They renovated the small gym and installed a new sound system in the large gym just to name a few. Technology increased at our school due to a new

computer lab and the installment of the internet in many classrooms. Something must have been in the water this year because three teachers, Mrs. Henricks, Mrs. Fedrigo, and Mrs. Gross, were expecting babies. All in all it was a good year and the seniors will be missed!



STUDENT LIFE PG. 4 Senior Dan Thompson shows the whole school what he's so proud of.



PEOPLE PG. 14 Senior Wes Stoerger stands proud and tells everyone why he's such a great football player



ORGANIZATIONS PG. 34 Freshman Tabitha Dallas demonstrates one of her many talents during a yearbook meeting.

FROM START TO FINISH



ACADEMICS PG. 44 Mr. Wirth explains the lesson for the day in one of his classes.



SPORTS PG. 58 Senior John Strack avoids a rusher to get away a punt.



ADS PG. 74 Junior Holly Amman concentrates on making a salad at Charlie's.

HALLOWEEN TRICK TREATS

CLOWNING AROUND. LAZY DAY. Senior John Seniors Jaime Zoch and Knowles wishes every day Anne LeFever dress for Hal- loween. Their treat bags are loween. Their treat bags are full of goodies. Halloween Homecoming's Spirit Week. was replaced with Harvest John is sporting some cool Day a few years ago. slippers.





STUDS-R-US. Freshman Paul Loggins and sophomore Michael Burton display their manliness in the cafeteria. Lunchtime was a great time to just be yourself around your friends.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT. Sophomore Amber Veteto gets caught roaming the halls. Roaming the halls in between classes was an art form for some.



HAIR TODAY, GONE TOMORROW. Sophomore Wes Blickenstaff talks with friends at lunch in the bowling alley. Wes and a few other students were sporting bald heads later in the year.

OH, MY! Sophomore Michelle Vezina cannot believe the good gossip she heard while hanging around in the halls with her friend and classmate Jenny Spry. Students congregated in the hallways before the 8:20 morning bell or at 12:20 of the noon hour.

SCHOOL'S OUT! Freshman John Einhorn laughs at something very funny after school. "I always try to find something to laugh at" says John.

ARE YOU FOLLOWING ME?

Sophomore Eric Briggs turns around to find out who is following him. "People follow me all the time, so I guess I should be used to it" Eric says.



OPEN WIDE! Sophomore Clark Foran shows his pearly whites to the whole high school while sophomore Stacia Fuss is busy digging in her locker. Clark said, "I like showing off at school. It makes the day more interesting"

ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME?

Junior Julie Walsh shows a small smirk to complete her outfit. Julie says, "I dress down once a year and that just happened to be the day."



CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT?

Freshmen Jennifer Miller, Jennifer Reynolds, Sarah Parker and Holly Jayne share the latest gossip. Sarah says, "I also like to gossip with my friends between classes."

THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY!

Sophomores Lindsey Hartwig and Jennie Clodfelter smile and show how thankful they are that it's the end of another long week. Jennie says "Fridays are what I like about school."



I LOVE THIS PLACE! Senior Bob Murrell smiles to show how much he enjoys being at school. "School is what gives my life meaning," Bob says with a smirk.



LOOK MA, NO CAVITIES: Senior Beth Hess proves how perfect her teeth are by showing them to the school. "I just want the whole world to know how perfect my teeth are" Beth says.

SMILE! Seniors Brandi Ammann and Amanda Strohl prove they are not a bit camera shy. "We always love to smile" Brandi says.

FINALLY! Sophomores Rebekah Jones and Jennifer Spry walk out of Communications heading for lunch. "I was always glad to leave that class and go to lunch," Rebekah said.

POWER MAN. Freshman Michael Burton poses for a picture after a regenerating lunch. Michael is confident that he can now take on the world. "Hi, Ho, Hi, Ho. It's off to shop i go," Michael said.



WHENEVER. Senior Tom Mann waits patiently before receiving his lunch. Many people ran through the halls to be first in line despite the food's reputation.



WHAT'S FOR LUNCH? Sophomores Lindsey Hartwig, Wes Blickenstaff and Tonya Stiverson take a break from school lunches and eat at Bement Bowl. "I liked eating with my friends," Lindsey said.

QUICK! PUT IT BACK! Senior Charity Wells sits and laughs while freshman Paul Loggins tries to put the school back together.



A GREAT BUNCH OF GUYS. Seniors Ryan Tabaka, Dan Thompson, Wes Stoerger and Junior Paul Wright hang around after lunch. "I love spending time with my friends," Ryan said.

HOLD ON! Junior Todd Drago holds on for dear life after eating lunch. Todd was one of many who just monkeyed around. "I did it because I had nothing else to do," Todd stated.



EATING HABITS



FIXIN' UP. After enjoying some fine food, sophomore Miah Gregory and freshman Tom Durbin make sure they are presentable before they enter the lower hallway to hang out after lunch.

RANGERS TO THE RESCUE. Freshman Paul Loggins plays with his "Billy" Power Ranger. Will the ranger be safe from the school's nachos? Paul said, "Lunch was too dull, so I decided to make it more fun."

THANKS, SIS! Senior Tom Mann is all smiles as little sis junior Jane Mann gives him his senior box. Next year there will only be one Mann left in the high school.

A KODAK MOMENT. Senior Ryan Tabaka gives his little sis junior Elizabeth Tabaka a big hug to comfort her. Biz got a little sentimental at the pep rally as she thought about letting her big brother go. Ryan asks, "Can you blame her?"



NEW FAMILY. Señora poses with her husband and new daughter Leah at an evening yearbook meeting. Señora took a leave of absence second semester.



MAN'S BEST FRIEND. Mr. Gross poses with his new dog, Shaggy. Because of Shaggy's allergies, he quickly left the Gross's and joined the Erwin's. "I'm getting ready to sneeze," said Shaggy.

SENOIR CITIZEN. Senior John Strack was greeted with a flower by his parents before his last home game on Senior Night. He then gave his grandma a rose, since this was the 1st game she could attend. "I love my grandma."



WHERE DO I START? Valedictorian Tom Wildman prepares to deliver his graduation address to the audience on what now seems like a big turning point in his life. In his speech, Tom compares himself to Holden Caulfield, the character in *The Catcher in the Rye*.



THOSE WERE THE DAYS. Salutatorian Jaime Zoch talks about the mistake she made during her school years and the lessons she learned from them. Filling a faculty member's car with cotton was one such mistake.



ON MY WAY OUT. Senior John Knowles is ready for the time to flip his tassel and walk the other way. We will all miss John's wild dancing at homecoming and prom.



JUST DID IT. Board member John Strack presents Marty Benson with her high school diploma. Marty is glad that all her hard work paid off despite the odds.

WHERE DO I GO FROM HERE? Senior Katie Koebel wonders what is out there for her now and what she'll do as the other senior class members are busy trying not to cry. The chorus sang "Like an eagle" and "Friend to friend".

STATIC CLING. Mrs. Fedrigon decides that, for Sock Day, one pair just isn't enough. Of all the teachers, Mrs. Fedrigon was one of the biggest participants of Spirit Week.

TAKE THAT! While fighting off senior Amanda Strohl, junior Julie Walsh forgets about decorating the windows and goes for sophomore Jennie Clodfelter's face. The cheerleaders were responsible for decorating the hallways for Homecoming. "You can't get me", says Amanda.

HARD AT WORK. As a member of student council, freshman Steve Harper does his part by making signs for the Homecoming parade. Steve is the only freshman on the student council this year.



MORNING GLORY. Sophomore Jennie Clodfelter models her p.j.'s for the entire school on Pajama Day during Spirit Week. "I enjoyed it because it was easy just jumping out of bed and coming to school," says Jennie.

WHO SAYS MEN DON'T BOND? A group of BHS guys show just how close men can be while decorating the school. They snuck in to help the girls and eat all their pizza. "We like to help any way we can," says John.



GET FUNKY! Seniors John Tracy and Bob Murrell work on the dance the senior football players will do at the pep rally. "Though almost everyone hated it, I thought it was a lot of fun," Bob said.



WOOF! WOOF! During the cheerleaders' skit, Junior Jane Mann leads freshman Holly Jayne to the "mom" (Coach Flick). "It was fun acting like a dog," says Holly.



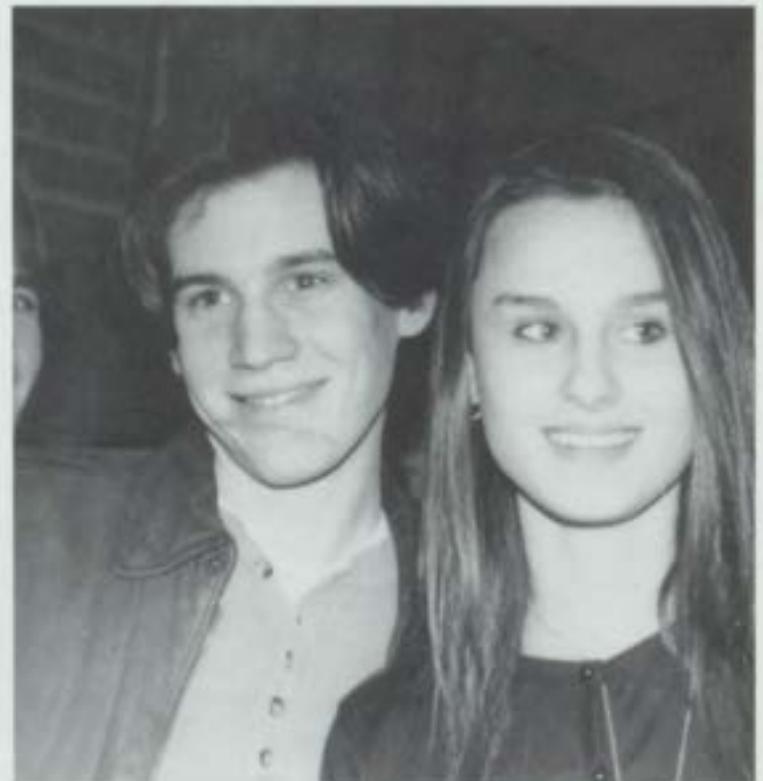
THERE'S ONE ON EVERY FOOTBALL TEAM... Seniors Matt Perry and Tony Hunsaker tell us how they're the stars of the '95 football team. Every year, senior players get a chance to tell everyone what they bring to the team.

CHE-HEE! CHE-HA! The cheerleaders show their support for the football team at the pep rally. To psych up the team and the crowd, they do their dance to the "Hey Song".



YOU BETTER NOT MESS WITH ME! Sophomore Michael Burton reminds senior Tim McCabe that underclassmen aren't so easy to pick on during lunch.

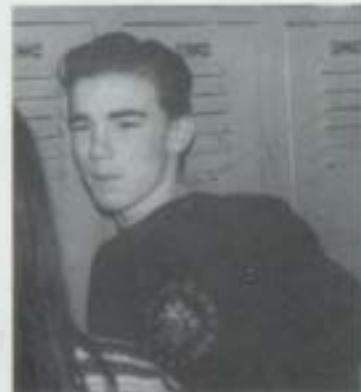
DON'T THEY MAKE A CUTE COUPLE? Junior Joe Wood and freshman Sonja Zindars get a little closer during the lunch break while sophomore Lee Pepin laughs.





OH NO! MY BRAIN IS OVER-HEATING! Junior Jason Huddleston fans himself with his papers in the middle of a hard study period.

MMM...TASTY! Junior Doug Stevens enjoys the weather while eating his meal, courtesy of the Super K, which was a popular place for students to eat during lunch.



HEY BABY...HEY! I'M OVER HERE! Sophomore Steve Reffett triesto put the moves on a girl in the lower hallway during lunch. '95-'96 was Steve's first year at Bement.

THEY'RE A BUNCH OF ANIMALS. A group of high schoolers demonstrate the sense of family found at BHS. The one thing students enjoyed most during the day was being together.

SENIOR HOMEROOMS

MRS. GROSS' HOMEROOM: Ryan Tabaka, John Strack, Tom Wildman, Wes Stoerger, Amanda Strohl, Charity Wells, Jaime Zoch, Joy Wells, Mrs. Gross, John Tracy, and Dan Thompson



MISS GUDAUSKAS' HOMEROOM: Tony Hunsaker, Shane Frazee, Adam Garrett, Craig Roppel, John Knowles, Miss Gudauskas, Aaron Jones, Beth Hess, Brandi Amman, and Laura Hill



MRS. TAYLOR'S HOMEROOM: Tim McCabe, Matt Perry, Tom Mann, Steve Shayka, Bob Murrell, Jeff Morris, Mrs. Taylor, Anne LeFever, Tim Scheffer, Meredith Craney, and Katie Koebel

AT THE BALL

THREE ELIGIBLE BACHELORS. Freshmen Travis Pruitt, Jeremy Holiday and John Einhorn experience their first "real" homecoming as high schoolers. The homecoming dance has always been open to anyone.

JUST WANT TO SING AND DANCE. Juniors Sarah Lawson and Doug Loftus try not to waste the night worrying about dates and take time to dance with friends.



WHAT WAS THAT? Sophomore Jerry McGlasson wonders what people are doing. Semi-formal attire was rarely seen on most students except at the dance.

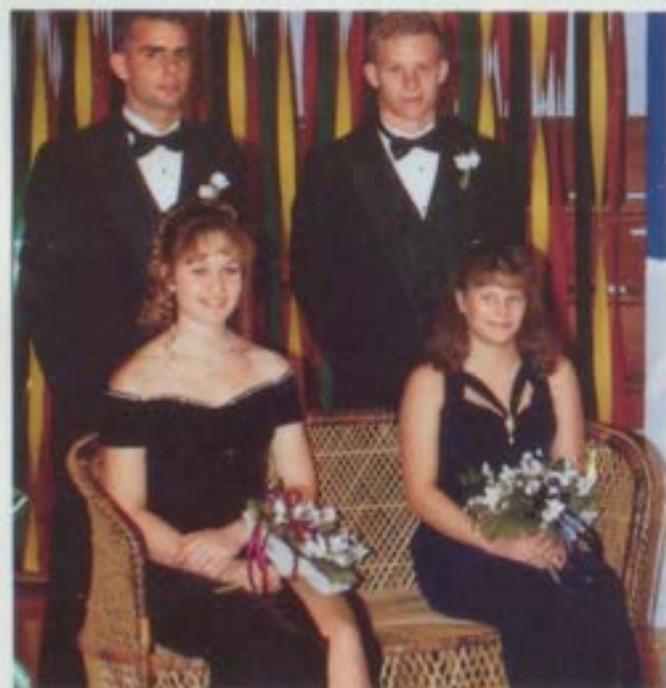
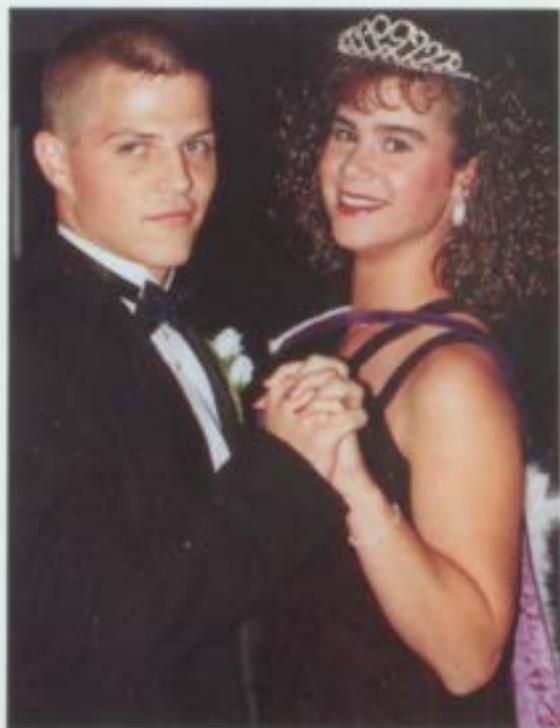
WHEN THE CLOCK STRIKES 12. Senior John Knowles dances the night away keeping no track of time. John could always be found the center of attention at dances.

TELL ME YOU DIDN'T! Junior Wendi Shott is caught off guard. Student council also sponsored a Valentine's and St. Patrick's dance.

MEDIEVEL FANTASIES

ROYALTY '95. Dan Thompson, Jaime Zoch, Wes Stoerger, Laura Hill, Kesley Clark, Megan Shelato, King Tom Mann, Queen Katie Koebel, James Dick, Tyler Auth, John Strack, Brandi Ammann, Shane Frazee, and Jessica Thornton.

KING AND QUEEN FOR A NIGHT. King Tom Mann and Queen Katie Koebel share the floor with the other Homecoming Court couples. After the "Royal Dance", the floor was open to the rest of the dance attendees.



SCHOOL PRIDE. Candidates Dan Thompson, Wes Stoerger, Jaime Zoch and Laura Hill are very pleased that they were chosen by the student body to represent our school.

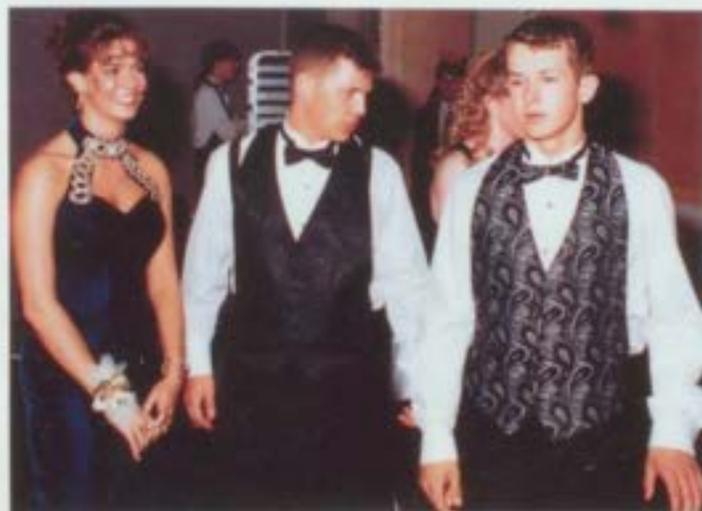


ARE WE DONE? Candidates John Strack, Shane Frazee, Brandi Ammann and Jessica Thornton are overwhelmed by the onslaught of eager photographers after the announcement of King and Queen.

WE'VE GOT TONIGHT

GO GIRL! Senior Amanda Strohl watches as sophomore Jennie Clodfelter shows off her moves. Almost everybody stayed until 10:00 to dance.

PLEASANTLY WAITING. Senior John Tracy, Juniors Faith Hite, Sarah Lawson, Christine Warnes and her date Jesse Rhodes, Jodi Hess and Senior Beth Hess wait patiently for their food. This year Chicken Parnigna and steak was served.



WHERE AM I? Senior Tom Mann and date Dawn Perry find something to talk about while junior Josh Somers stares into space. It was easy to get lost in space with all the stars floating around the ceiling and floor.

PICTURE PERFECT. Seniors Steve Shayda, Craig Roppel, Tim McCabe, sophomore Jenny Spry and Junior Bill Bell sit with dates and wait for everyone to quit taking pictures. Pictures were started at about 6:00.



SOCIAL HOUR. Senior John Strack tries to stay awake as junior Nathan Butterick, senior Ryan Tabaka, sophomores Lindsey Hartwig, Tonya Stiverson and junior Paul Wright take time to say hello before things start. "Prom is a good place to socialize," said Ryan.

DANCIN' SHOES. Junior Julie Fair, seniors Jessica Thornton and Beth Hess leave their tables as soon as the music starts to dance. Even though the dance floor was bigger than last year, it was still crowded.

AFTER PROM '96

LOOK WHO I FOUND! Junior Jason Strausser and Senior John Knowles are so happy they found each other at after prom.

TEN-BALL IN LEFT CORNER POCKET. Senior Wes Stoerger concentrates on his pool shot. Even with two pool tables, people were waiting in line for a long time to play.

WOW! Sophomores Andrea Thompson and Wes Blickenstaff find out what upperclassmen really do on Prom night. Many people thought there were more underclassmen attending this year than years before.



STRIPES OR SOLIDS? Senior Jeff Morris shows what a pro he is at the game of pool. Many people decided to organize tournaments and after that, good luck finding a chance to play.



THE ELECTRIC SLIDE. Pam Shumard, Sophomore Michelle Kirsch, Senior Amanda Strohl, Sophomore Jennie Clodfelter and Senior Beth Hess do the Electric Slide with many others.

LISTEN HERE, GIRLFRIEND! Sophomore Stacia Fuss really gets into the music on the dance floor while classmate Clark Foran decides to sit this one out.

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Martha Benson
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Meredith Craney

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Shane Frazee
Jonathan Frazee



Elizabeth Hess

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Laura Hill

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Aaron Jones

Aaron Jones '96



John Knowles

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Katie Koebel

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Thomas Mann

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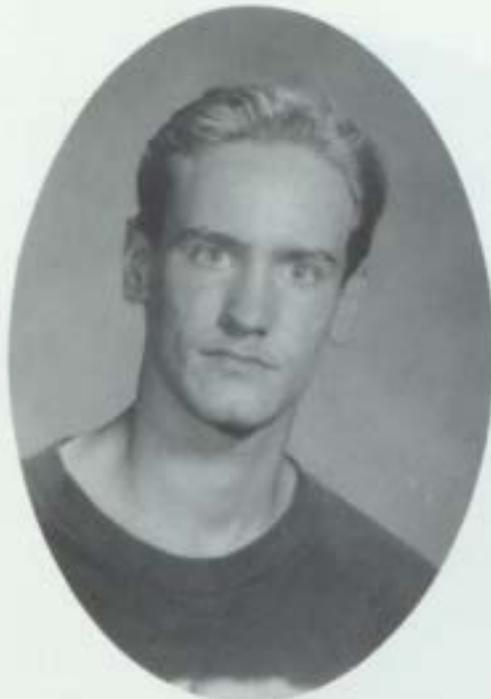
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Ryan Tabaka

RYAN TABAKA



Amanda Strohl

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Dan Thompson

Dan Thompson



Jessica Thornton

Jessica Thornton



John Tracy

John Tracy



Charity Wells

Charity A. Wells
#2



Joy Wells

Joy Wells



Tom Wildman

Tom Wildman



Jaime Zoch

Jaime Zoch 



Adam Garrett

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Juniors

SAY CHEESE! Junior Wendi Shott shows off her odd way of posing for pictures.



ARE WE SUPPOSED TO BE LEARNING? Junior Heather, Danny, Julie F., Julie W., Christine, Rachel, Natalie, Holly, and Elizabeth take a break from class to have a little fun during American History.



Holly Ammann
Bill Belt
Adam Benson
Nathan Butterick
Aren Carney
Branden Crowel
Christopher Donchue



Rachel Dragoo
Todd Dragoo
Jessica Drobeno
Julie Fair
Natalie Fay
Jason Frazee
Faith Hite



Sarah Lawson
Doug Loftus
Jane Mann
Ned McClure
Dan Morris
Amanda Pierce
Amber Shorkwiler



Wendi Shott
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Laura Slagle
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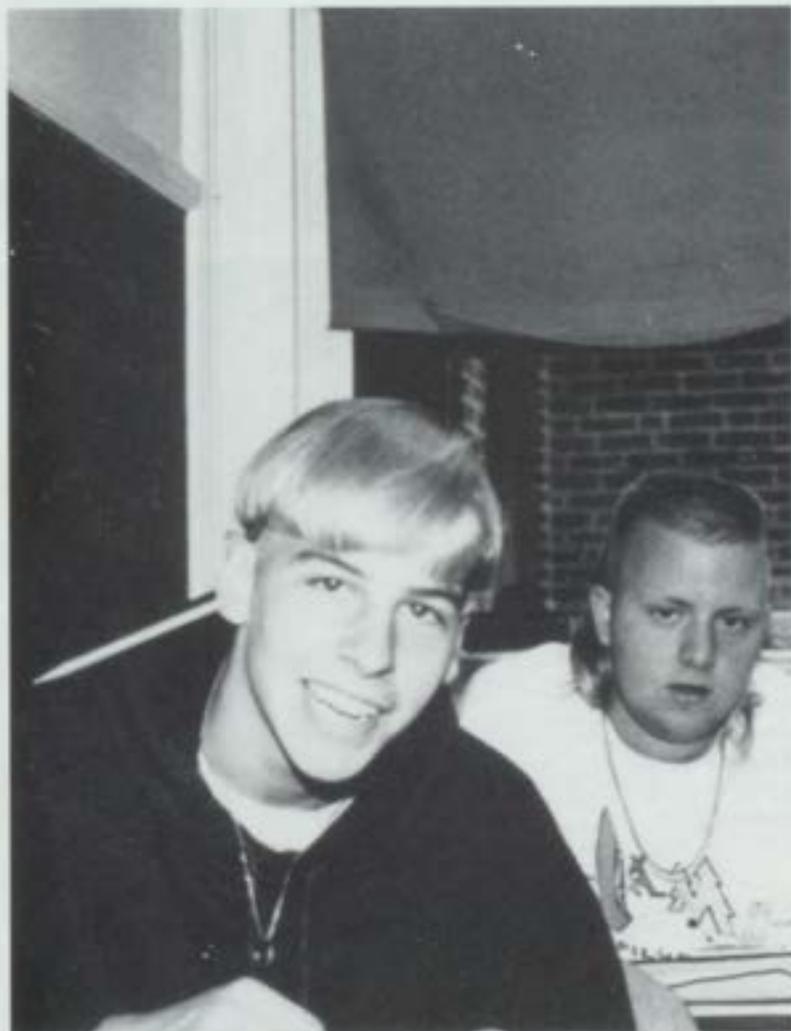
Amber Veteto
Julie Walsh
Christine Warnes
Joe Wood
Paul Wright



AM I DOING THIS RIGHT? Junior Julie Fair decides to get some help from classmate Jason Strauser since he seems to know what he's doing. Many students took advantage of the lunch hour to finish homework.



RUN FOR THE BORDER. Junior Bill Bell licks his lips as he thinks of the tacos that are being served for lunch today. Bill was given the nickname "Taco Bell" this year.



LET ME ENTERTAIN YOU. Junior Todd Dragoo seems to be able to amuse himself easily in American History, while junior Nathan Butterick finds it a little more difficult.

TA-DA! Even in deserted hallways, junior Holly Ammann displays her outgoing personality.

SOPHOMORES

Josh Bates
Wes Blickenstaff
Eric Briggs
Jake Burke
Michael Burton
Jenny Clodfelter
Grant Conum



Mike Ensign
Scott Fay
Clark Foran
Stacia Fuss
Nathaniel Turner
Jeremiah Gregory
Lindsey Hartwig



Tim Henderson
Amanda Honecker
Jason Huddleston
Ben Jones
Becky Jones
Amanda Miller
Ginny Smith



Jenny Spry
Michelle Kirsch
Jerry McGlasson
Doug Stevens
Tonya Stiverson
Adam Strohl
Brad Taylor



Kevin Taylor
Andrea Thompson
Jeremy Tracy
Michelle Vezina
Lani Wright



TIRED? Sophomore Tonya Stiverson was so tired, she came to school in her pajamas. Tonya was showing her school spirit during Spirit Week. "I guess it shows a lot of school spirit to show up in these clothes," said Tonya.

YEAH, RIGHT! Sophomore Andrea Thompson gets ready to tell someone how it is. Andrea really didn't want her picture taken. "That definitely wasn't one of my better days," stated Andrea.



CHEESE! Sophomore Michelle Kirsch poses for a picture after lunch. Michelle enjoys showing how photogenic she is. "I love to show everyone how beautiful I am," said Michelle.

WHEN IS THIS DAY OVER? Sophomore Jeremy Tracy takes a break after lunch. Jeremy could usually be found in the hallway with his girlfriend Charity Wells. "I'm usually ready to go home by lunch," said Jeremy.



CHILLIN'. Sophomore Grant Corum hangs out with the gang in the lower hallway during lunch hour.

JUST WOKE UP. Sophomore Amanda Honecker shows her school spirit too.

FRESHMEN

SOS: Freshman Kristi Isbell looks as though she's seen a ghost in the hallway. It was harder for some people to adjust to high school life. "Some things scare me" stated Kristi.



STEP, STEP, STEP IN TO TIME: Freshman Sarah Parker teaches classmate Tabitha Dallas the new song she learned from Mr. Oiler. "I like to sing" said Sarah.

Daren Benson
Neil Craney
Tabitha Dallas
Tom Durbin
Stephen Eckstein
John Einhorn
Chad Gudge

Heather Gudge
Steven Harper
John Helms
Jeremy Holladay
Kristi Isbell
Holly Jayne
Tucker Knowles

Casey Lane
Paul Loggins
Alicia Miller
Jennifer Miller
Jackie Roberts
Tom Owen
Sarah Parker

Andrew Perry
Jed Pope
Travis Pruitt
Jennifer Reynolds
Seth Scheffer
Kristyn Smeathers
Nathan Somers

Mark Taylor
Derek Wingle
Not Pictured:
John Harper





OINK, OINK: Freshmen Andrew Perry, Paul Loggins, Jackie Roberts, and Steve Harper try to decide who can eat more at lunch. "I won" said Andrew proudly.



MICHAEL JORDAN Jr.: Freshman Casey Lane flies through the air with a little help from his friends. Casey practiced his game after the football pep rally. "It's a good thing I've got friends" said Casey.



HOOKED ON PHONICS: Freshman Jeremy Holladay attempts to read the paper during study hall. It looks as though he slept through most of his english classes. "I can't read, so I just look at the pictures" stated Jeremy.



AHHH: Freshman Holly Jayne shows what she looks like with all of her teeth in her mouth. While most people have 32 teeth, Holly is proud of her 30. "I love my teeth." said Holly.

ADMINISTRATION



BOARD OF EDUCATION: Ron Mulvaney, Tom Loftus, John Strack, Valerie Stoerger, Jeff Funk, Jody Shonkwiler, and Mike Walsh



Superintendent: Dr. Darrell Stevens



COOK FOR A DAY. Principal Waters helps out the cooks in the cafeteria when they're in a jam.



PRINCIPAL: Mr. Nyle Waters



HIGH SCHOOL SECRETARY: JoAnn Bentley



DISTRICT SECRETARY: Jani Hamilton

SUPPORT STAFF



CUSTODIANS: Don Fay, Head Maintenance Mark Somers. Missing from picture-Scott Porter and Jim Womak.



COOKS: Barb Warnes, Mary Morgan, Louise Butterick, Josephine Durbin. Senior John Knowles reverses the roles by serving the cafeteria staff.



BUS DRIVERS: Margie Wright, Kirk Birch, Sharon Zindars, Carol Dishman, Jim Dishman.

FACULTY

Diane Benzek-Mathematics
 Debbie Eichelberger-Art
 John Erwin-P.E.
 Sally Fedrigo-Science
 Cathy Flood-English
 Michelle Gross-Band
 Rich Gross-Health, P.E.



Minnie Gudaszkas-Librarian, History
 John Harshbarger-Driver's Ed.
 Jane Henricks-Spanish
 Kent LeFever-History, Guidance
 Donna Sharp-English, Guidance
 Julie Steele-Resource
 Linda Taylor-P.E.



Merle Taylor-Business
 Karen Wilkerson-Chorus
 John Wingle-Mathematics
 Bill Wirm-Industrial Arts
 Becky Zucco-Home Economics



GOOD-BYE. The faculty sends off the Class of '96. Despite all the havoc that they caused, the class of '96 will be missed next year for various reasons.



I LOVE SPORTS. Mr. Gross reads the sports page during 2nd hour. No one else was allowed to read this section in the morning before Coach Gross. "Be quiet so I can read the sports," said Coach Gross.

GONE CRAZY! Mr. Wingle has developed a mild twitch after dealing with another freshman Algebra class. He's seriously thinking of crawling into a box to hide.



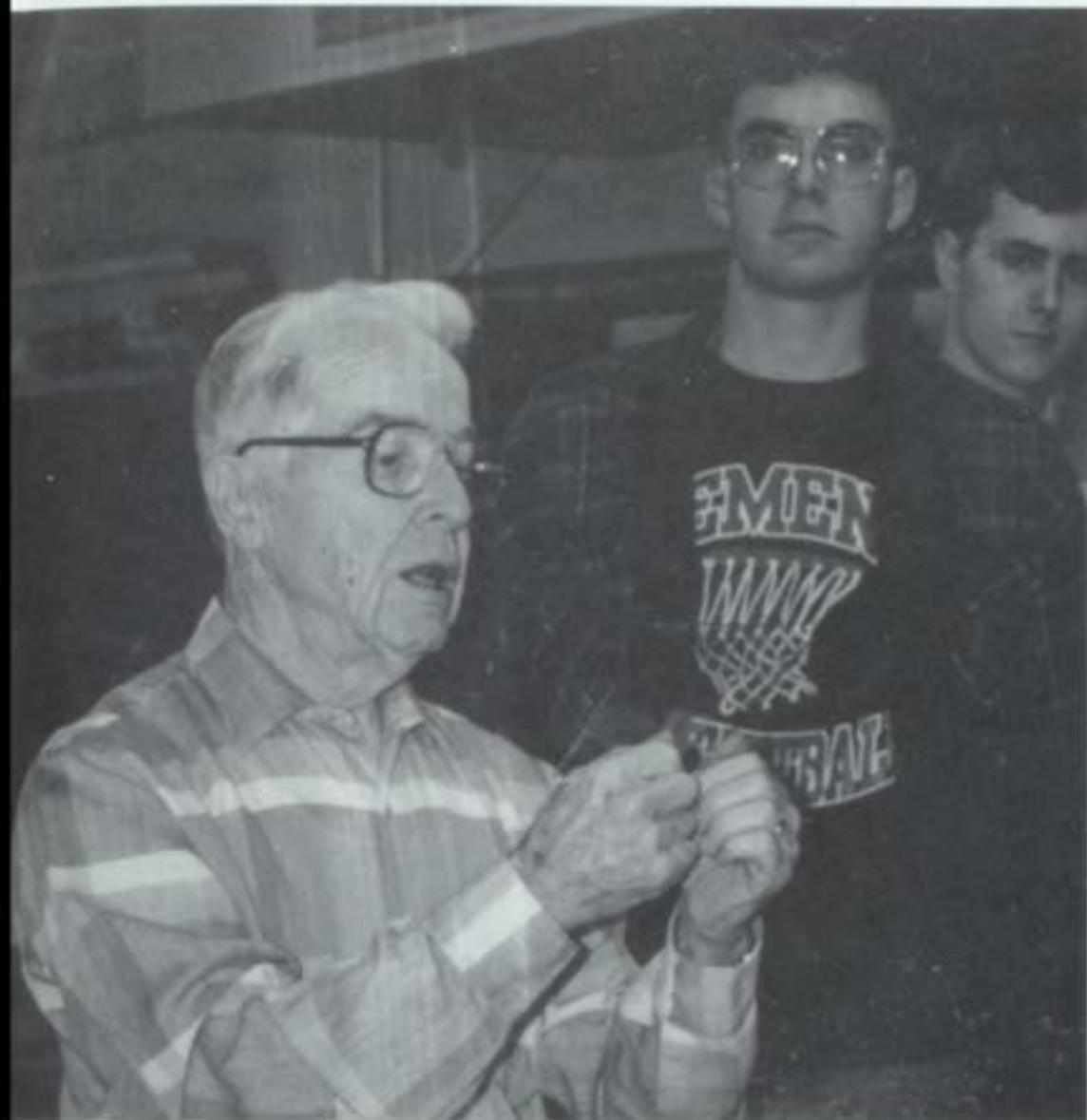
YOU MAKE A BETTER DOOR THAN A WINDOW. Mr. Wirth enjoys being a cheerleading aid as a door during the Wildcat pep rally. He also liked the extra-curricular activities included with coaching.

FIRED UP FOR HOMECOMING! Coach Erwin gets fired up to play Arthur-Lovington for homecoming after being watered down by the cheerleaders. Not only was Coach fired up, but so were the players and other coaches.



PSSST...WHERE ARE WE WAY TO GO! Señora hands out awards to the finalists in the first annual hacksack where she's at while juniors proud of myself," stated Faith Hite and Chrisitne Warnes are engrossed in Jackie Roberts, one of the finalists.





PAY ATTENTION. Junior Dan Morris and Senior John Tracy zone out while listening to the guest speaker in art class. "That guy was pretty interesting," John said.

WHAT'D HE SAY? Senior Bob Murrell can't believe that he got Student of the Month for November. Way to go, Bobby! "Cute caption! I like it!" exclaimed Bob.



HARD AT WORK. Junior Paul Wright hustles to get his student council poster done. Some of his work could be seen in the halls. "It's fun and easy to make posters," said Paul.

ISN'T LIFE GREAT? Sophomore Lani Wright is finally able to take a break from decorating the gym for homecoming. "It was hard work, but I still had fun," said Lani.

Spanish Club, Art Club, Student Council, Lifesavers...

THEY'RE GETTING INVOLVED

Spanish Club

This year was a year to remember for the Spanish Club. They hosted the first annual school hackysack tournament, which was dominated by Jason Strauser. They also passed out gifts at Bement Manor.

Art Club

The Art Club went on a field trip to Millikin's art gallery to view an art show.

Student Council

The Student Council put on homecoming as usual. They also sponsored a Christmas semi-formal dance held at the Bement Country Opry which was considered a success. A St. Patrick's Day Dance was also held.

Lifesavers

New lifesavers were selected and they attended the lifesaver conference at Allerton Park. Most lifesavers return from this conference with a renewed sense of loyalty and insight to other people's problems.



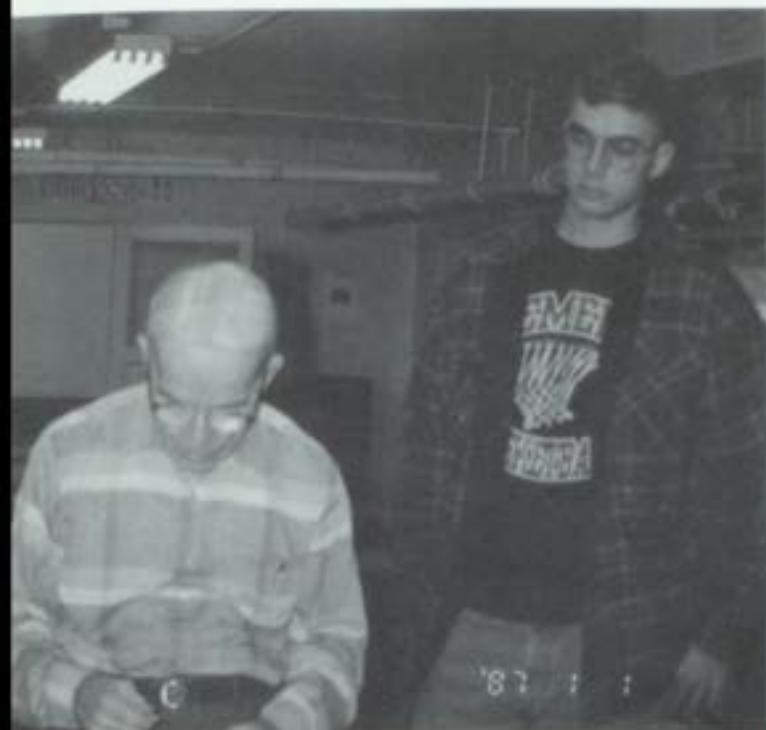
WORKING HARD. Sophomore Lani Wright, a member of student council, makes a poster for homecoming. Lani worked hard on a lot of the homecoming events.



DON'T MESS UP! Sophomore Adam Strohl hopes he doesn't mess up while he is just about to kick the hacky sack.

CHAMPION. Junior Jason Strauser, the champion of the advanced group of the hacky sack tournament, displayed some creative moves!





GLASSWORK. Junior Dan Morris watches as Mr. David Moses demonstrates how to make stained glass. Mr. Moses is the father of Mrs. Gail LeFever, the speech therapist in the grade school.

WORKING FAITHFULLY. Junior Faith Hite helped put the finishing touch on homecoming decorations for the parade. "Homecoming is a lot of fun and hard work," says Faith.



SPANISH CLUB

R. Tabaka, J. Strack, D. Loftus, S. Lawson, L. Hartwig, E. Briggs, M. Gregory, M. Perry, C. Warner, S. Parker, H. Jayne, T. Dallas, N. Crane, T. Stiverson, K. Koebel, B. Hess, H. Ammann, E. Tabaka, H. Spalding, A. Thompson, J. Fair, J. Zoch, F. Hite and Mrs. Almughrabi.



LIFESAVERS

Miss Sharp, Mr. LeFever, Jane Mann, Michelle Kirsch, Eric Briggs, Tonya Stiverson, Sarah Lawson, Faith Hite, Adam Benson, Julie Walsh, Tom Mann, Paul Wright. Missing from photo: John Strack.



ART CLUB

Jake Burke, Nathaniel Turner, Joe Wood, Grant Corum, Brad Taylor, John Harper, Jane Mann, Charity Wells, Anne LeFever, Mrs. Eichelberger, Jeff Morris, John Tracy, Tom Mann, Dan Morris and Scott Fay.



STUDENT COUNCIL

Jaime Zoch, Charity Wells, Matt Perry, Steve Harper, Faith Hite, Jane Mann, Beth Hess, Ryan Tabaka, John Strack, Lani Wright, Michelle Kirsch, Dena Shumard, Elizabeth Tabaka and Paul Wright.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH.

Junior Julie Walsh proudly accepts a certificate from State Bank of Bement president Art Wilkinson. Julie was awarded in December as an athlete with good grades.



I DID IT!

Sophomore Eric Briggs smiles as he thinks about all his hard work finally paying off. The National Honor Society recognizes students for academics.

LAID BACK!

Senior Ryan Tabaka works hard on a problem while classmates Jaime Zoch and Charity Wells sit back to enjoy the moment. The team always tried to have fun.



HOW'D YOU GET THAT?

Senior Ryan Tabaka and junior Nathan Butterick look to senior Tom Wildman for an answer. Tom was a first year Scholastic Bowl member this year.



WHAT DID YOU SAY?

Seniors Ryan Tabaka and Dan Thompson listen intently to a question while classmates Amanda Strohl and Dena Shumard have a their own little conversation.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH.

Senior Bob Murrell receives a silver eagle dollar from Vivian Ablinger of State Bank of Bement in November for his work on the newspaper and football team.



Scholastic Bowl, National Honor Society and Students of the Month are cream of the crop.

HONORED STUDENTS



CONGRATULATIONS. Senior Ryan Tabaka presents sophomore inductee Michelle Kirsch with a certificate during the spring National Honor Society honors night. In order to be in National Honor Society, a student must have a 3.2 G.P.A. or better.



ARE YOU SURE?

Seniors Ryan Tabaka and Tom Wildman check their answers at a scholastic bowl meet while seniors Charity Wells and Jaime Zoch listen in. All of the seniors worked well together this year on the varsity team.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Sophomores Michelle Kirach, Lindsey Hartwig, Eric Briggs and senior Amanda Strohl were the new members inducted into the National Honor Society in the spring. These students joined senior members Ryan Tabaka, Charity Wells, Tom Wildman and Jaime Zoch.



I'VE GOT IT!

Freshman Derek Wingle seems to think he knows the answer at a scholastic bowl meet while juniors Nathan Butterick, Faith Hite, Elizabeth Tabaka and freshman Neil Craney watch in amazement. Many juniors played on the J.V. team because of the lack of players.



APRIL STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Junior Nathan Butterick shakes hands with Vivian Alblinger from the State Bank of Berners while accepting a silver eagle dollar. Nathan was awarded student of the month for his many contributions to the Junior Class.

JIFFY LUBE. Senior Amanda Strohl makes sure her valves are oiled and that her trumpet is ready to go. An extra few minutes was allowed before band to get instruments assembled and to catch up on last minute gossip.



ARE YOU KIDDING? Sophomore Michelle Kirsch questions a piece of music that Mrs. Gross says will be easy. In the past two years with Mrs. Gross, we have recieved new and more challenging music.

THE BLUES BROTHERS. Seniors Amanda Strohl and Dená Shumard entertain the crowd at a home basketball game. As they danced the pep band accompanied them.



SING A JOYFUL SONG. Junior Natalie Fay and senior Joy Wells laugh during chorus as usual. Many people in chorus liked the song "The Rythm of Life" which was a real lounge twister.



SPLISH, SPLASH. Seniors Anne Lefever, Jaime Zoch and Charity Wells practice with Mrs. Wilkinson during show choir to prepare for the fall concert. Almost every thursday morning at 7:30, you could find show choir practicing.

FOR WHOM THE "BELL" TOLLS. Junior Bill Bell tries to get it all together during 2nd hour chorus class. Warming up to sing so early in the morning was sometimes tough.



Band, Chorus, Flags & Show Choir

DRUM MAJOR LEADS ALL. Senior Jaime Zoch decides what song to play next during an early morning marching band practice.



LIP REST. Senior John Tracy takes time to enjoy his break while others have to play during 2nd hour band.



7:30 A.M. AND READY TO GO. Junior Wendi Shott puts chairs away in Mrs. Wilkinson's room so she can dance.



1, 2, 3, 4... Junior Jeremy Tracy concentrates hard on his drum beats.



CHORUS. E. Tabaka, H. Amman, J. Walsh, R. Dragoo, J. Clodfelter, A. LeFever, N. Fay, B. Amman, H. Spalding, D. Shumard, A. Strohl, J. Zoch, F. Hite, K. Koebel, A. Honecker, S. Fuss, W. Blickenstaff, E. Briggs, C. Warnes, S. Lawson, B. Hess, R. Jones, L. Hartwig, H. Jayne, A. Thompson, J. Burke, B. Bell, S. Frazee, C. Roppel, A. Shumard, W. Shott, T. Stiverson, M. Kechell, J. Miller, J. Helms, L. Wright, A. Upton



BAND. E. Briggs, J. Walsh, A. LeFever, S. Parker, M. Gregory, A. Strohl, T. Dallas, R. Dragoo, W. Shott, J. Tracy, P. Loggins, N. Craney, M. Kirsch, F. Hite, J. Zoch, A. Honecker, J. Huddleston, B. Bell



FLAGS. Becky Jones, Lani Wright, Stacia Fuss, and Heather Spalding



SHOW CHOIR. Amanda Honecker, Lani Wright, Dená Shumard, Amanda Strohl, Heather Spalding, Jennie Clodfelter, Julie Fair, Anne LeFever, Faith Hite, Sarah Lawson, Natalie Fay, Joy Wells, Jaime Zoch, Charity Wells, and Rachel Dragoo

FHA

JUST YOUR NORMAL CRAZINESS. Junior Holly Amman scowls after losing control of the FHA meeting again. Meanwhile, freshman Holly Jayne and Junior Julie Fair goof off instead of working.



MAN-THIS BUS RIDE IS BORING! Even being a future homemaker would be better than commuting by bus through the city, thinks sophomore Jennie Ciodfelter as she rides home from the FHA trip.

CHOW DOWN! Senior Jeff Morris, sophomore Ginnie Smith and Juniors Holly Amman and Natalie Fay enjoy the food during the FHA field trip. Eating is always one of the highlights on an FHA trip.



FOOD AND NUTRITION? Senior Beth Hess practices eating properly on a FHA field trip. Burger King must be one of Beth's favorite places to eat.



1st row-John Tracy, Anne LeFever, Jeff Morris, Katie Kobel, Julie Fair, Holly Amman, Elizabeth Tabaka, John Knowles **2nd row**-Dená Shumard, Beth Hess, Brandi Amman, Natalie Fay, Jenny Spry, Holly Jayne **3rd row**-Casey Lane, Tom Mann, Dan Thompson, Tim Scheffer, Sarah Lawson, Jane Mann **4th row**-Jed Pope, Jessica Thornton, Nathan Somers, John Einhorn, Shane Frazee, Jennifer Reynolds, Amanda Miller, Laura Slagle, Jessica Drobená, Amber Veteto, Daren Benson, Jason Huddleston, Heather Spalding, Ben Jones **5th row**-Bob Murrell

FHA / NEWSSTAFF

NEWSSTAFF: Ben Jones, Steve Shayka, Marty Benson, Jenny Spry, Mrs. Flood, Bob Murrell, Mike Ensign, Joe Wood, Adam Strohl, Jane Mann, Lani Wright, Michael Burton, Doug Stevens, Laura Hill, Anne LeFever, Rachel Dragoo, and Heather Spalding



SALESMEN. Sophomores Mike Ensign and Adam Strohl sell the bark to senior Katie Koebel and sophomore Stacia Fuss. Mike and Adam were part of the second semester newsstaff.



PRESS TIME. As senior Marty Benson and sophomores Doug Stevens, Michael Burton and Jenny Spry work hard on "The Bark", senior Dan Thompson sneaks in to be in another picture. Newsstaff members worked every morning second hour in Mrs. Flood's room.



DOES THE COPY FIT? Seniors Laura Hill and John Knowles use the computer to get their work done. Like everybody else, they are able to be on the newsstaff because they have taken journalism.



LIKE THIS, BOB. Mrs. Flood shows senior Bob Murrell how she wants something done on the computer. The computer has been a big help to the newsstaff this year.



WHO?...WHAT?...WHEN? Amanda Honecker, Rachel Dragoo, Lani Wright, Jane Mann, Joe Wood, Heather Spalding, Bob Murrell, and Anne LeFever show off their "Bark" T-shirts. The group are all part of the first-semester newsstaff.



SEE, IT'S LIKE THIS... Sophomores Eric Briggs and Lindsey Hartwig try to talk their way out of study hall. Many people attempted it, but only a few were successful.

SEE? LEARNING CAN BE FUN! The first semester World History class smiles big to show how much they enjoy Mrs. G's unique teaching style. World History is open to all students.





THIS IS HOW IT'S DONE. Mrs. Henricks explains the work to sophomore Andrea Thompson while sophomore Miah Gregory goofs off and sophomore Eric Briggs daydreams. Some student found Mrs. Henricks' classes easy, though some found them hard.

BOY, THESE DESKS ARE HARD! Junior Brandon Crowel tries to get comfortable in Mr. LeFever's American History class. Brandon thinks it's hard to pay attention when you're uncomfortable



TO BE, OR NOT TO BE? The Drama students pose during dress rehearsal. The first semester class put on a play of Snow White for the grade school classes. They all enjoyed the thrill of performing.



MR. PRETZEL. Freshman Nathan Somers hopes he won't fall. The Spanish I class played twister to study the spanish names of colors.

GIRLS! GIRLS! GIRLS! Sophomores Tonya Stiverson, Lindsey Hartwig, Stacia Fuss and Andrea Thompson, freshman Holly Jayne and senior Brandi Ammann show us what they really do in PE. Girls have always been known for their great effort in PE classes.



HYPER. As sophomore Stacia Fuss poses in the background, sophomore Eric Briggs and freshman Jed Pope show us how to foul while playing basketball. Some people overparticipate in PE.



SPACED OUT? Junior Jessica Drobeno, sophomores Lani Wright, Michelle Kirsch, Jason Huddleston, freshmen Paul Loggins and Chad Gudgel are proud of themselves for all dressing for PE that day. Now they have to get energy to participate for the rest of the hour.

I'M READY. Freshman Jackie Roberts waits for the next play during an intense game of PE basketball. Jackie was always very involved in PE activities.



P.E. PALS. Senior John Strack tells sophomores Wes Blickenstaff and Clark Foran how it is. John always let the underclassmen know who was boss.

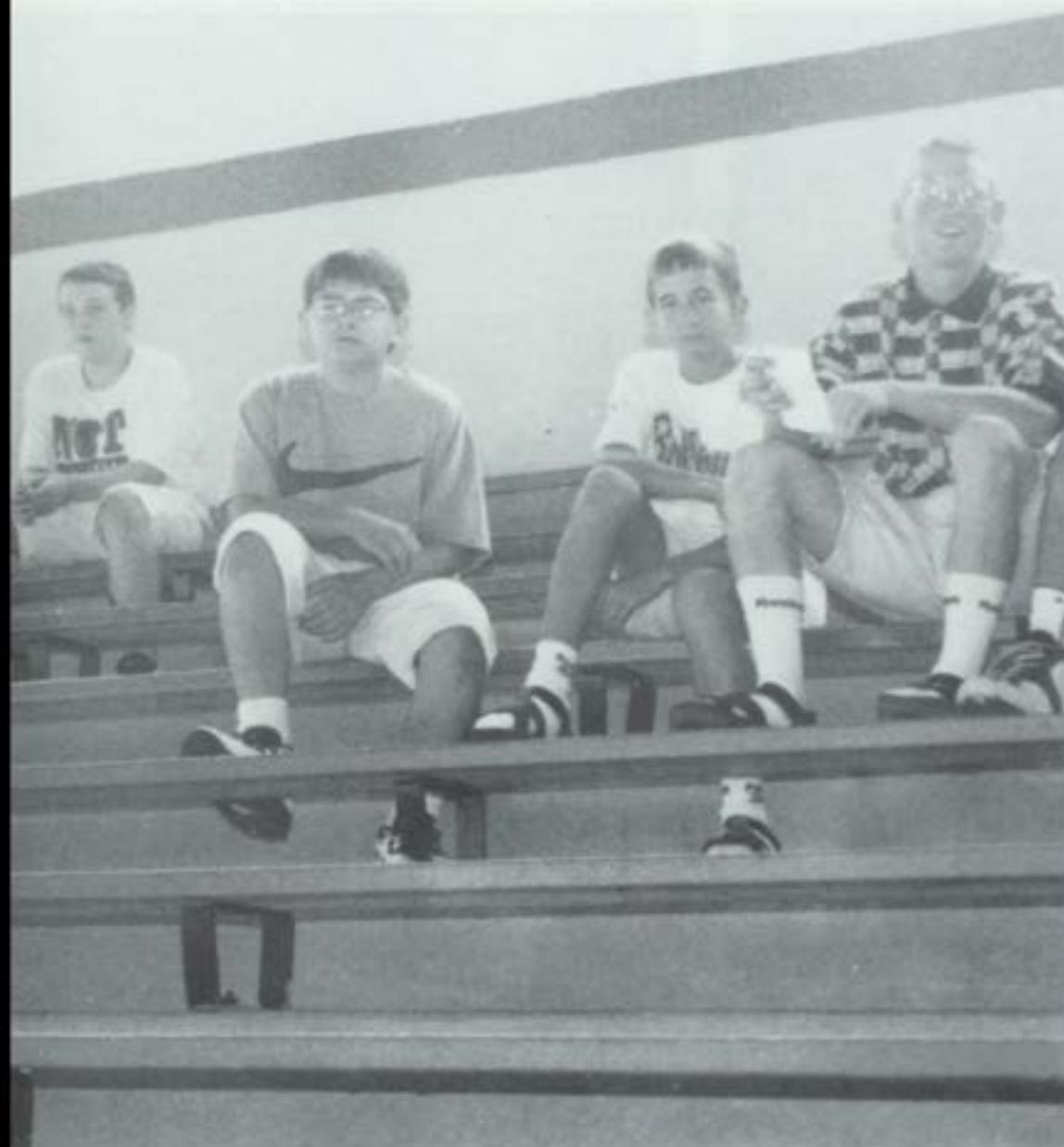


PLAYING

Physical education, field trips and assemblies are highlights for most students.

Assemblies were mostly a nuisance to everybody that needed that extra ten minutes to cram for a test or to tend to any little thing still undone. Beside the traditional student of the month assemblies, we also had a woman come talk to us about the dangers of being sexually active. Field trips were always a plus with all of the students. Not only were they fun but they got you out of class. The Spanish Club went to see a play in Bloomington and then ate at El

Matador in Decatur. The students in FHA who earned it also got to go to Springfield, stay the night in a hotel and attend different conferences. Mass Media went to visit WLRW, WCIA and the News Gazette offices. The Art Club went to the art museum at Millikin University. Physical education was the same as always, the drag of getting dressed to play games you usually didn't want to play. The good thing is it gave kids that didn't play sports a chance to participate.



HEY, HOW'S IT GOING? Senior Anne LeFever smiles to show how much she enjoyed the FHA trip. Field trips are always popular among the students because they got you out of school.

HOW MUCH LONGER? A group of freshmen guys begin to get restless during yet another assembly. Most assemblies weren't very popular among the students.

HARD AT WORK. Freshman Kristi Isbell and junior Jason Frazee are working hard trying to get all of their Spanish I homework done. This year's spanish classes due had a lot of different teachers due to Mrs. Henricks' pregnancy.



MY TWO FRONT TEETH. Freshman Holly Jayne shows her fake teeth. Holly doesn't have her front teeth.



PLAYING GAMES. Sophomores in Mrs. Henricks' Spanish II class loved to play "Cluedo (a spanish version of "Clue)". Andrea Thompson seemed to enjoy it the most.

MUJIPURR... Miss Sharp, English Usage teacher, seems to be daydreaming about her cats. Miss Sharp teaches some of the english classes.



CATCHING SOME Z'S. Sophomore Jason Frazee takes a snooze in Mrs. Henricks' Spanish I class. Jason's two favorite words were "bailar" and "pero".



LOOK AT ME! Juniors Elizabeth Tabaka, Holly Amman and Julie Fair show us their pearly whites during Mr. LeFever's American History class. "We look like shiny, happy people," stated Holly.



DAZED AND CONFUSED. Freshman Tom Owen seems a little dazed, while freshman Steve Harper looks really confused. "I still don't know what in the world that was," exclaimed Steve.



CLASS CLOWNS. Juniors Todd Dragoo and Josh Somers clown around in Chem II while senior Katie Koebel tries to get in a quick nap before her next class. "I love goofing off in chemistry," Josh said with a smile.

LET ME COUNT THE DOTS. Junior Christine Warnes patiently counts dots in the ceiling to pass the time in 4th hour American History class while Faith Hite is content with just sleeping. "I wasn't sleeping," Faith argues. "I was just thinking about how bored I'd have to be before I started counting dots in the ceiling like Chris."

LOG IN. The computer students work hard trying to figure out how to turn on their computers. The Introduction to Microcomputers class learned the finer points of computers in the new lab.



AWESOME BEAT. Sophomore Jason Huddleston plays the drums for the pep band. Jason traveled to Florida to play the drums in a band at the Orange Bowl. Quite an honor for a Bement student.



IT'S A BIRD. IT'S A PLANE. Sophomore Ben Jones watches in amazement an exhibit at the engineering open house at the University of Illinois. The Chemistry I and II, and Advanced Math classes attended the open house.

SINGING SENIOR. Senior Dena Shumard sings with the Senior Ensemble at graduation. This was usually an emotional moment for senior chorus members.



NETWORKING. Senior Tom Wildman and Mr. Wingle try to figure out how to work the new Calculus program. The new addition to the math program was tied into a system at the University of Illinois.



NEW STUFF

Band, Chorus, Math and Business Classes see new developments

Computers were the key word for the school this year. The students found a new computer lab installed over the summer. The computers were updated and most classrooms were furnished with a computer. The math department's computer linked with the University of Illinois to incorporate a Calculus class for advanced students. Two

seniors, Jaime Zoch and Tom Wildman took the class as an independent study. In the music department, the end of the year brought the news that Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Gross would not be returning next year. Mrs. Wilkinson was retiring and Mrs. Gross would be taking a job at the State Bank of Bement. The end of the Wilkinson era.



MAGICAL MATH. The General Math class listens intently to Miss Benzek's daily lesson. Miss Benzek taught two math classes in the high school and would sometimes use magic in her lessons.

ATTRACTIVE! Hidden behind these goofy mugs are sophomore flag girls Lani Wright and Stacia Fuss. The girls practiced their routines on the front lawn of the school in the heat of August.

AH! AREN'T THEY CUTE? The Parenting Class looks in at the newborn babies of Covenant Hospital's nursery. The class also did their traditional sugar baby project. This field trip showed the real thing!

WHOLE LOT OF SHAKIN' GOIN' ON. Senior Tom Mann and junior Jason Strauser display their salt shakers. The Shop class made the salt shakers and sold some of them at the spring awards concert.



WOULD THE REAL DARTH VADER PLEASE STEP FORWARD? The welding crew consists of Aren Carney, Dan Morris, Dan Thompson, Jeff Morris, Nathan Butterick and Aaron Jones.

WORK, WORK, WORK! Being guidance counselor has proved to keep Mr. LeFever very busy. He is responsible for many things: arranging student schedules and college visits, determining class rank and GPA's, and helping with Lifesavers and Student Council.



HERE GOES. Just the thought of getting her license seems to make sophomore Stacia Fuss very happy about beginning her driving test with Mr. Harshbarger. Unlike most students in this situation, Stacia doesn't appear nervous at all.



DRIVEN

Home Economics, Shop, Driver's Education and Guidance drive home lessons of life



LAST MINUTE CHANGES. Miss Sharp helps freshman Holly Jayne rearrange her schedule at the beginning of the year to fit in a greatly-needed study hall. After school starts in the fall, students have 3 days to make adjustments in their schedules. "Because of having practices for sports every night, I need a study hall to get my homework done!"



DELICIOUS. Coach Gross samples the Foods Class' newest recipes. The Foods Class usually prepared lunches for the teachers at holidays.

WHAT A BREEZE! Freshmen Tucker Knowles, Kristi Isbell, sophomores Adam Strohl, Tonya Stiverson, Michelle Vezina, Stacia Fuss and Wes Blickenstaff think they know enough about driving that they don't need to listen!

KING OF THE WORLD. Senior Craig Roppel sits on his throne in Marine Science while junior Jessica Drobeno gets out of his way. As Craig said, "This TI-IN class is easy, just as long as you do your homework."

ROCK A BYE BABY. Senior Tom Mann rocks his "flour baby" for parenting class during study hall. What a good "parent" Tom is. "I can't wait to have one of my own, in about ten years," stated Tom.



WE REALLY KNOW THIS STUFF! Resource teacher Mrs. Steele, freshman Tom Owen and junior Rachel Dragoo point out the capital of Africa in 4th hour. "I seriously would like to go to Africa one day," said Rachel.

NAP TIME! Sophomore Jeremy Tracy sleeps through seventh hour study hall. Twink was totally unaware that his entire study hall and all of the classes of the upper hallway gathered to watch his snooze. "Where did everybody go?" exclaimed Jeremy.



LISTEN TO ME! Freshman Tom Owen tries to teach geography to his 4th hour class. Tom said, "I like being the teacher for once!"



STUDYING

Study hall, resource room and TI-IN classes keep minds in gear



EXCUSE ME! Talk to the hand, not the face! Senior John Knowles tells classmate Wes Stoerger how it is in 4th hour resource. "I was just trying to get Wes out of my face!" exclaimed John.



DUM DE DUM DUM! Junior April Shumard goes over her notes after a major test in Marine Science while Mrs. Parrish eagerly grades the tests. April said, "This class was a breeze compared to Biology!"

I'M A STUD! Freshman Derek Wingle shows the whole study hall how studly he can be while classmate Chad Gudel looks on with a smile. "Study hall was hot and boring that day," stated Derek.

NUMBER ONE FAN. Coach Rogers stands wondering if that's really Michael Jordan in the background. "If it is, do you think I could get his autograph?"



LOST? Ms. Leitz knows Ms. Sharp left her lesson plans somewhere. After graduating from Bement, she decided to come back and sub.



SO HOW DID I DO? Freshman Sarah Parker, sophomore Becky Jones, and Junior Holly Amman watch in anticipation as Mrs. Vezina grades their tests. Since she is a common sub here, she knows the routine of things.

STRESS? NOT ME! Mrs. Hendrix manages to keep her cool during the hurly-burly of the day. She is used to the flow of the day at Bement High.



FRUSTRATED? Just another day of subbing at Bement High for Mrs. Boylan. "Sometimes subbing can make you pull your hair out."



SEMESTER EXAMS

THAT'S ON THE TEST! Mrs. Federigon's 7th hour Chem I class reviews for the semester exam. Most classes start reviewing two days before exams.



STUDY TIME. Seniors Wes Stoerger and Ryan Tabaka study for their first semester exams. Of course, everybody knows that these two did so well that they didn't have to take any 2nd semester exams.



NOW WHAT WAS THIS? Since freshman Jackie Roberts knows not what to expect from exams, he starts studying weeks before. This year we had 31 new freshmen to scare about exams.

WHAT IS THIS? Mr. Taylor looks for the right answer while grading semesters. Mr. Taylor was given the opportunity to add some new computer classes to his schedule. Next year Bement will offer even more computer classes.



THE TOWER OF POWER. SPEEDY GONZALES. Senior John Tracy goes up for two against a hapless, lacks in overall power he though zealous, Villa Grove makes up for in speed, and defender. John made second-team all-conference for the 95-96 season.

What Freshman Casey Lane he proves it as he drives the basket through Argenta defense.





WEARY WARRIOR. Senior Ryan Tabaka pants for breath as he walks off the field. Though they didn't win a lot of games, Ryan felt that the team played hard all year.

SHE'S GOT THE HOPS. Junior Julie Walsh goes up for an in-er-face spike. Her Atwood defender, on the other hand, has other plans.



LOOKIT THAT BOY HUSTLE. Junior Adam Benson tries with all his might to escape safely to the end zone from a mob of Southwestern players.

THE PACK IS HUNGRY TONIGHT. A group of Wildcats hustle to bring down a Southwestern ballcarrier before he can get too far.

Volleyball

Ready to Play

The Lady Bulldogs had a 9-6 record going for the first half of the season, but finished with an 11-14 record. Mrs. Gross said that she felt it was mainly due to the fact that several of the key players were out with injuries. The highlights of the year included the team going 4-0 in the Deland-Weldon Eagle

Classic and bringing home the championship trophy. They also beat Tuscola for the first time in eight years, and Julie Walsh received second team all-conference. Mrs. Gross is looking forward to next year's team. It will include a strong group of letter winners and a good junior varsity team.



THE GANG'S ALL HERE. Seniors Anne LeFever, Amanda Strohl, Dena Shumard and Jamie Zoch are in uniform for the last season. Anne was sad that it was her last season.

OVER THE HANDS OF FATE. Juniors Rachel Dragoo and Julie Walsh breathe a sigh of relief as Rachel's hit travels up and well out of her defender's reach.



VARSITY SCOREBOARD

Bement	Opponent	Opponent
2	Villa Grove	1
0	Arcola	2
0	Lovington	1
2	Atwood-Hammond	0
0	Tuscola	2
0	Arthur	2
2	Cerro Gordo	1
2	Niantic-Harristown	0
0	Lovington	2
0	Arcola	2
1	Villa Grove	2
1	Atwood-Hammond	2
2	Bethany	1
1	Tuscola	2
0	Arthur	2
0	Cerro Gordo	2



2 Jenny Spry, Kristyn Smeathers, Dena Shumard, Anne LeFever, Jaime Zoch, Amanda Strohl, Sarah Parker, Tabitha Dallas, Jennie Glodfelter, 1 Rachel Dragoo, Julie Walsh, Christine Warnes, Faith Hite, Holly Jayne, 2 Mrs. Flavin, Michelle Kirsch, Michelle Vezina, Mrs. Gross



LET'S GO. Michelle Kirsch runs through the sea of hands as the varsity lineup is announced. She said that she hated double sessions, but had a lot of fun.

PLEASE HIT IT. Wendi Shott and Jennie Clodfelter watch the ball hoping that Tabitha Dallas has hit a good pass to the setter and not into the bleachers. Being new to the team this year wasn't at all bad.



WHERE WILL IT GO? Sarah Parker gets in ready position hoping the ball will come to her. Sarah said she really enjoyed this year and is looking forward to next year.



OH NO! Michelle Kirsch can't believe the ball has to be hit by her, while Jenny Spry, Tabitha Dallas, Jennie Clodfelter, and Holly Jayne hoping she will be able to set it for a kill after Michelle Kirsch sprained her ankle. Holly became the JV setter. She said she enjoyed the position.

JV SCORES

	Us	Them
VG	1	2
Arcola	0	2
Lovington	0	2
A-H	1	2
Arthur	0	2
CG	2	1
Niantic-H	0	2
Bethany	0	2
Tuscola	0	2



YA GOTTA WANT IT! Freshman Tabitha Dallas dives to make a save as her teammates watch.

ALL FIRED UP: Sidelined members of the Wildcats raise their helmets in support of their teammates on the field before the kickoff.

NICE AND EASY: Coaches Harshbarger and Erwin help an injured player off the field during the varsity game against Palmyra.



VICTORY AND DEFEAT

The 1995 Football Season Was A Season Full of Milestones

The 1995 Football season was a letdown by and large for seniors Tom Mann, John Tracy, Matt Perry, John Strack, Ryan Tabaka, Wes Stoerger, Tony Hunsaker, and Dan Thompson, who all had aspirations to finish their respective high school football careers with, among other things, memorable statistics and a shot at the playoffs. A win against Oakland in the first game of the season bolstered spirits on the team, but the next few games turned out to be hard losses which took their toll on the team's morale. But despite various setbacks, the Wildcats continued to fight hard in every one of their games, and ended the season with a 2-6 record. They always continued to demonstrate good sportsmanship and a sense of family, which is important on any team.

Tom Mann won the best blocker and co-captain awards, Tony Hunsaker won the most tackles award, Ryan Tabaka won the best blocker award, John Strack won the MVP and co-captain awards, Bob Murrell won an award for being the team's manager for four years, Matt Perry won the most improved lineman award, and Adam Benson won the most tackles hit man awards.

		Scoreboard			
US		VARSITY		JUNIOR VARSITY	
		THEM	US	THEM	
27	Oakland	12			
0	Broadland Heritage	6			
0	Palmyra Northwestern	40	36	Heritage	6
0	Tuscola	28	45	Tuscola	6
30	Villa Grove	6	54	Villa Grove	6
18	Cerro Gordo	34	14	Cerro Gordo	6
8	Arcola	33	36	Arthur Lovington	6
0	Illipolis	20	6	Arcola	0



SEIZING THE MOMENT: Senior Bob Murrell takes a moment of relax from managing during halftime.



CAN ANYONE STOP HIM? Senior John Strack dashes by a defender during the varsity game against Palmyra.

HERE GOES NOTHING... Senior Dan Thompson tries to run the ball in during the varsity game against Palmyra.



PLEASE DO THIS RIGHT... Coach Flick watches intently as the team runs a play. 1995 was Coach Flick's first season with the Wildcats.

LOOK AND BE AFRAID: Junior Adam Benson works on his tough-guy face while putting on his jersey before the JV game against Palmyra.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Young Guns II, experience gained

The Lady Bulldogs finished their season with a record of 5-17. There were two freshman starters this year. All the members of the team practiced hard throughout the season and it paid off in the end with three straight wins against Villa Grove, Atwood-Hammond and Fisher. At the Winter Awards Banquet, two girls were honored. Junior Julie Walsh was Most Valuable

Player, Best Free Throw Percentage, Leading Rebounder, and Scoring Leader. Freshman Holly Jayne was Assist Leader.



PUT IT UP, SCOOT! Sophomore Jennie Clodfelter drives in for a layup in a game against Arthur-Lovington. Jennie started junior varsity and got a lot of playing time in varsity games.

ALL THE WAY! Sophomore Tonya Stiverson takes the ball down the court on a fast break. Tonya was the point guard and helped out the team a lot this year.



THE HUSTLER. Sophomore Andrea Thompson goes for the steal during a game against Arcola. Andrea was always a hustler on the floor.



JV	Us	Them
Central A&M	22	45
Maroa	34	14
Natic	34	8
Cerro Gordo	22	24
Arthur	29	32
Tuscola	17	40
Villa Grove	22	20
Arcola	21	26
Uni High	27	20
Defand-Weldon	33	29
Cerro Gordo	15	26
Arthur-Lovington	17	28
Tuscola	25	65
Villa Grove	30	32
Atwood-Hammond	35	37
Fisher	36	41
Arcola	15	19



RUN HER OVER. Freshman Holly Jayne drives past a defender down the floor. Holly was a main factor to the basketball team and she had the most assists this season.

SWISH! Junior Julie Fair puts up a shot from the outside corner. Julie was one of the five starters and she played power forward.



WATCH OUT! Senior Laura Hill goes for a layup after a steal. Laura was an important player on the team and played point guard for the varsity.



GIRLS BASKETBALL. Coach Wingle, J. Mann, A. Thompson, H. Jayne, A. Honecker, E. Tabaka, D. Shumard, J. Reynolds, J. Zoch, T. Stiverson, T. Dallas, L. Hill, A. Strohl, J. Clodfelter, K. Smeathers, J. Walsh, J. Fair. Not pictured: Asst. Coach Sally Fedrigon.

Varsity	Us	Them
Central A&M	49	50
Fisher	41	52
Villa Grove	32	58
Maroa	31	60
Niantic	53	16
Arthur	29	55
Tuscola	25	57
Atwood-Hammond	29	48
Arcola	27	37
Tuscola	29	47
Uni High	41	50
Deland-Weldon	44	25
Cerro Gordo	27	54
Arthur	35	58
Tuscola	38	56
Villa Grove	45	42
Fisher	55	48
Arcola	33	36
Meridian	38	45



Boys Basketball

On their way to the top

The boy's basketball season ended with a record of 7-17. The game against Cerro Gordo was very intense. Through the whole game they were up, then we were up. Bement ended up beating the Broncos 62-60. This win was very big for

Bement because C-G is one of our big rivalries. Bement had some more close games, such as the Lovington game and the A-O game. Bement tried their hardest throughout the season.



FALLING FOR THE BALL. Junior Doug Loftus falls on the floor, struggling for possession of the ball. Doug showed a lot of hustle through the year. "I always try my hardest in all of the games."

SHOT'S UP. Freshman Tucker Knowles puts up a shot over an Arthur defender. Tucker contributed a lot to the team this year. "I work on my shot a lot in practice so I'm ready for the game."



THE JV TEAM: Eric Briggs, Tucker Knowles, Derek Wingle, Mia Gregory, Travis Pruitt, Jeremy Tracy, John Einhorn, Seth Scheffer, Steve Eckstein, Casey Lane, Jeremy Holladay, Jed Pope



	Us	Them
V-G	37	35
A-O	56	65
Deland	29	34
A-H	58	39
Lovington	29	39
Arthur	30	50
Atwood	47	24
Tuscola	39	69
Arcola	37	47
Heritage	37	44



TAKIN' IT TO THE FLOOR. Jed Pope, a freshman point guard, dribbles the ball across the floor for an assist. Jed got a lot of quality minutes in varsity this year. "I wonder if he knows I'm right handed."

FIRST TIME, EVERY TIME. Senior Tom Wildman watches his shot go in against Central A&M. Central A&M was Bemert's first opponent this year. "I always like to shoot the open 3-pointer."



DOWN AND DIRTY. Sophomore Wes Blickenstaff dives for the ball against Arthur. Wes seemed to be lying on the floor a lot this year.



THE VARSITY TEAM: John Strack, Casey Lane, Chris Donohue, Tom Mann, Wes Blickenstaff, John Einhorn, John Tracy, Eric Briggs, Dan Morris, Josh Somers, Jeremy Tracy, Tom Wildman, Bill Bell, Jed Pope, Mia Gregory

	Us	Them
Sullivan	35	69
Bethany	45	49
Lovington	40	55
Neoga	52	70
Central A&M	64	72
Arthur	44	64
Deland	51	38
Tuscola	40	58
A-H	54	45
V-G	59	51
C-G	62	60



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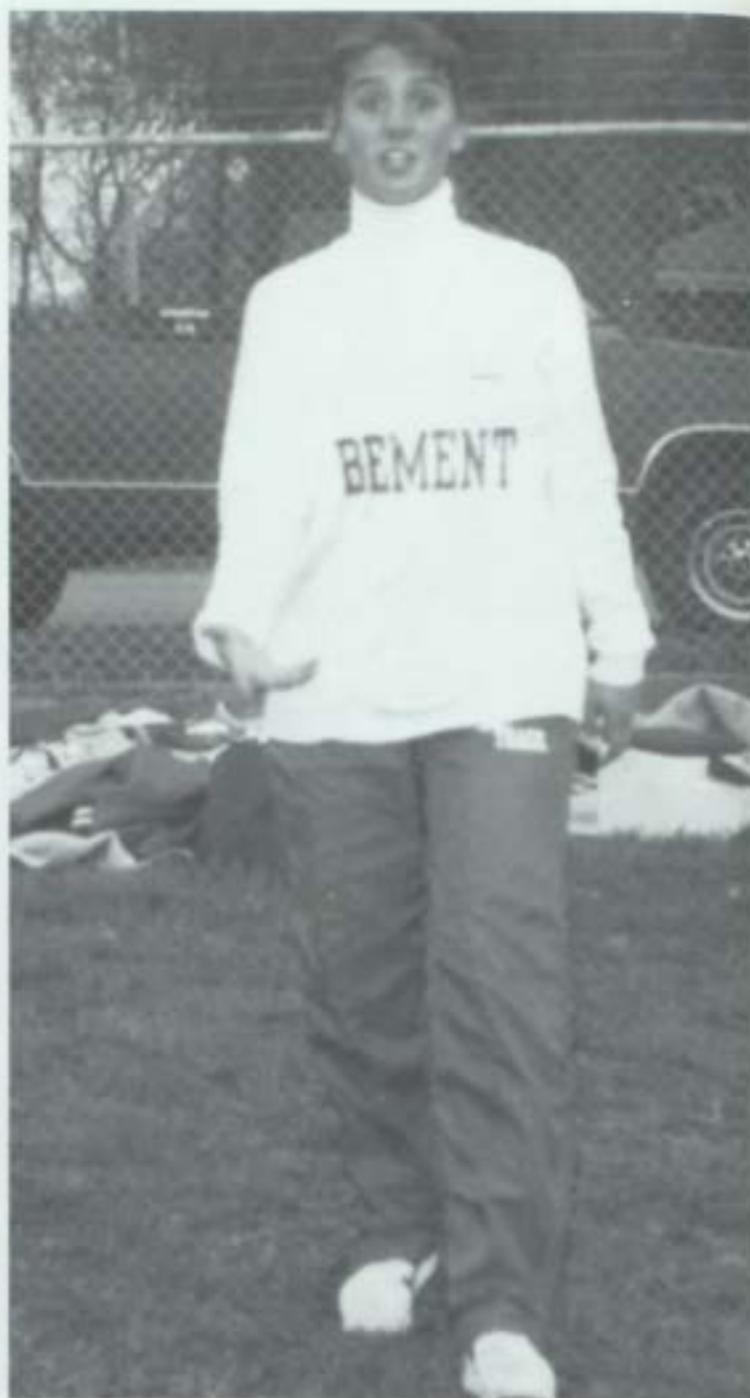
Teams survive rainy weather.

GOOD JOB! Senior Tom Wildman and freshman Jeremy Holladay congratulate each other after their race. Tom and Jeremy ran the 300 hurdles.



OK, I'LL DO IT! Senior Ryan Tabaka shows everyone his superb running abilities. Ryan usually only participated in the shotput event.

WHEN'S MY RACE? Junior Elizabeth Tabaka questions when she runs the 4x200. Since most people relaxed between events, it was hard to keep track of events.



TRACK. Coach Wingle, J. Strack, S. Scheffer, J. Bates, R. Tabaka, D. Thompson, T. Wildman, J. Holladay, J. Spry, J. Zoch, A. LeFever, L. Hill, D. Shumard, T. Dallas, H. Jayne, E. Tabaka, J. Fair, S. Fuss, H. Spalding.



**NO
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POM-PON. Laura Hill, Amanda Strohl, Beth Hess, Tabitha Dallas, and Heather Gudgel

EXCITEMENT. Junior Julie Fair gets excited during a basketball cheer. Julie seemed to get excited in everything she did.



CHEERLEADERS. Julie Clodfelter, Andrea Thompson, Jane Mann, Dená Shumard, Julie Walsh, Julie Fair, Elizabeth Tabaka, Heather Spalding, Stacia Fuss, Rachel Dragoo.



V-8. The Bulldog cheerleaders and pom-pom team perform a cheer during a basketball game. It looks like they forgot to drink their V-8.

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OK, HERE'S THE PLAN. Coach Gross, sophomore Wes Blickenstaff, junior Paul Wright and senior Tom Mann discuss a crucial game plan near the dugout. The baseball team finished 3-16 for the 1996 season.



WARMING UP. Junior Paul Wright bends over to field a ball thrown by Jed Pope. Paul played first base a lot this season.

BLOW IT BY 'EM! Junior Adam Benson huris in a pitch towards the plate during the sectional game against Maroa. Adam was the pitching ace for the Bulldogs.



**NO
SCORES
AVAILABLE**



BACK ROW: Adam Benson, John Strack, Jeremiah Gregory, Wes Blickenstaff, Coach Gross, Paul Wright, Clark Foran, and Brandon Crowl
FRONT ROW: Wes Stoerger, Doug Loftus, Jeremy Holladay, Casey Lane, John Einhorn, Jed Pope, Seth Scheffer, Travis Pruitt, Jackie Roberts, Eric Briggs, and Tom Mann. In the front is manager Josh Womack.



ROCK N' FIRE! Junior Julie Walsh pitches in a strike during one of the cold games this season. It was hard pitching seven innings a night when it was only thirty degrees out! "Nah, pitching warms me up."

BRRRRR! Freshman Tabitha Dallas watches her teammates bat while she's in the dugout freezing. Cold weather was a familiar sight during the season this year. "I wish it was warm outside!" cries Tabby.



ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST. Freshman Kristyn Smeathers slides into home plate after a passed ball. Kristyn helped out the team a lot this year. "I like to get dirty," Kristyn stated.



BACK ROW: Anne LeFever, Amanda Honecker, Heather Gudgei, Dená Shumard, Tabitha Dallas, Jane Mann, Coach Benzek

FRONT ROW: Amanda Strohl, Kristyn Smeathers, Michelle Kirsch, Jennie Clodfelter, Rachel Dragoo, Julie Walsh

	Us	Them
Fisher	5	3
Blue Ridge	11	10
Arcola	25	7
Sullivan	18	2
Tuscola	0	4
A-H	26	5
Shiloh	19	6
A-O	4	8
V-G	3	12
Arthur	12	3
Oakwood	8	9



SENIOR ACTIVITIES

HEY, BABY! Senior FHA members Tom Mann and Tim Scheffer check out the newborn nursery at Covenant.



FRIENDS. Seniors Dan Thompson and John Strack hang out in the hallway together between classes.



PASSING THE TIME. Senior Tim McCabe waits for the bell to ring for sixth hour.



BRANDI AMMANN

Basketball 1, Volleyball 1-2, Cheerleader 1-2, Newsstaff 3, BClub 2, FHA 3-4, Class Officer 3, Homecoming Court 4.

MARTHA BENSON

Newsstaff 4, FHA 1.

MEREDITH CRANEY

Cheerleader 1-4, Swing Choir 2, FHA 2, Chorus 2-4.

SHANE FRAZEE

Football 1-2, Student Council 1, Newsstaff 2, FHA 4, Scholastic Bowl 2, Class Officer 2, Homecoming Court 4.

ADAM GARRETT

BETH HESS

Student Council 2,4, Newsstaff 2, Spanish Club 1,2,4, FHA 2,4, Scholastic Bowl 2, Pom Pon Squad 4.

LAURA HILL

Basketball 1-4, Track 1-4, Pom Pon Squad 4, BClub 1-4, FHA 4, Homecoming Court 4, Art Club 2.

TONY HUNSAKER

Football 1-4, Newsstaff 2.

AARON JONES

Football 1-3, Baseball 1, Track 3, Newsstaff 4, Art Club 2-3.

JOHN KNOWLES

Track 1, Newsstaff 4, Annual Staff 3, Library Club 1, BClub 1,

JOHN KNOWLES (continued)

FHA 2-4, Art Club 2-3.

KATIE KOEBEL

Basketball 1, Student Council 1, Girls' State Alt. 3, Spanish Club 2-4, FHA 1-4, Class Officer 2-4, Homecoming Court 1-4.

ANNE LEFEVER

Volleyball 1-4, Track 1-2, 4, Cheerleader 3, Swing Choir 1,3-4, Jazz Ensemble 3-4, Softball 3-4, Annual Staff 1-2, BClub 3-4, FHA 2-4.

TOM MANN

Football 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1-4, Newsstaff 3, BClub 2-4, FHA 2-4, Class Officer 1-3, Homecoming Court 4, Art Club 3-4, Chorus 4.

TIM MCCABE

JEFF MORRIS

Football 1, Basketball 1-3, FHA 4, Art Club 3-4.

MATT PERRY

Football 1-4, Student Council 2-4, Spanish Club 4, BClub 3-4.

CRAIG ROPPEL

Football 1, Wrestling 1-2, Swing Choir 2-3.

TIM SCHEFFER

Football 1-2, Baseball 1, Track 2, Newsstaff 3.

STEVE SHAYKA

Baseball 1, Newsstaff 3.

DENA SHUMARD

Basketball 1-4, Volleyball 1-4, Track 1-4, Cheerleader 1-4, Swing Choir 4, Student Council 1-4, Annual Staff 3, Spanish Club 3, BClub 1-4, FHA 1-4, Scholastic Bowl 2-4, Softball 3-4.

WES STOERGER

Football 1-4, Basketball 1-3, Baseball 1-4, BClub 1-4, Homecoming Court 4.

JOHN STRACK

Football 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1-4, Track 1-4, Student Council 4, Spanish Club 2-4, BClub 1-4, FHA 4, Homecoming Court 4, Lifesaver 3-4.

AMANDA STROHL

Basketball 1-4, Volleyball 1-2, 4, Track 1-2, Swing Choir 4, Spanish Club 1-3, BClub 1-4, Scholastic Bowl 1-4, Class Officer 1, Softball 3-4, Pom Pon Squad 4.

RYAN TABAKA

Football 1-4, Baseball 1-2, Track 3-4, Student Council 1-4, Annual Staff 3-4, Spanish Club 1-4, BClub 2-4, Scholastic Bowl 1-4, Class Officer 2,4, National Honor Society 2-4.



MOTHERS FOR A WEEK. Seniors Brandi Ammann and Meredith Craney get a taste of parenthood.



HALF OVER. After lunch uptown, senior John Knowles is ready to go home.



A LAUGHING MATTER. Senior Katie Koebel is actually able to find something fun in Chemistry.

WHAT A NIGHT! Senior Beth Hess discusses the past evening's activities with junior Doug Loftus in Spanish.



DAN THOMPSON

Football 1-2, 4, Basketball 1-3, Track 1-2, 4, BClub 1-2, 4, FHA 4, Scholastic Bowl 4, Homecoming Court 4.

JESSICA THORNTON

Basketball 2, Newsstaff 3, FHA 4.

JOHN TRACY

Football 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1-3, Jazz Ensemble 1-2,4, BClub 1-4, FHA 4.

CHARITY WELLS

Swing Choir 4, Student Council 3-4, Library Club 1, Spanish Club 3, Scholastic Bowl 3-4, Class Officer 4, National Honor Society 2-4, DAR award 4, French Club 1, Art Club 3-4.

JOY WELLS

Swing Choir 1,4, Annual Staff 3.

TOM WILDMAN

Football 1-2, Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1, Track 2-4, Spanish Club 3-4, BClub 2-4, Scholastic Bowl 4, Illinois State Scholar 4, National Honor Society 2-4, SAR award 4.

JAIME ZOCH

Basketball 1-4, Volleyball 1-4, Track 1-4, Swing Choir 2-4, Jazz Ensemble 1-4, Student Council 1-4, Newsstaff 2, Annual Staff 2-3, Spanish Club 2-4, BClub 1-4,

HOMEWORK NOT DONE AT HOME. Senior Tom Mann furiously works to finish his homework in second hour Study Hall before 4th hour Algebra.



JAIME ZOCH (continued)

Scholastic Bowl 1,4, Illinois State Scholar 4, National Honor Society 2-4, Homecoming Court 4.

THIS IS THE LIFE. Senior Charity Wells thinks about how great it is to be a senior.



TIME OUT! Senior Craig Roppel takes a break from TI-IN class to relax.



I KNOW THIS. Senior Tom Wildman sits in Spanish III class thinking about how to translate a sentence into Spanish.



DETERMINATION. Senior Steve Shayka doesn't let anyone distract him while he studies for his next class.

I BETTER GET A TIP. Junior Holly Ammann prepares a taco salad to go. Holly became a new member to the Charlie's Pizza staff this year.



WHERE'S DAN? As junior Amber Shonkwiler hands freshman Alicia Miller her change, senior Dan Thompson hides himself in the store. Dan played Where's Waldo throughout the whole yearbook.



COME BACK SOON. Instead of working in Bement like most high school kids, sophomore Jenny Spry found a job at McDonald's, the newest restaurant to Monticello.

PAPER OR PLASTIC? Senior Charity Wells displays her great bagging skills at the the grocery store in Bement. She also works at the public library.



TEAMWORK. Seniors Dan Thompson and Charity Wells and junior Amber Shonkwiler work together to give junior Paul Wright the best and fastest service in town. The store has always been a very popular place for high schoolers to work.



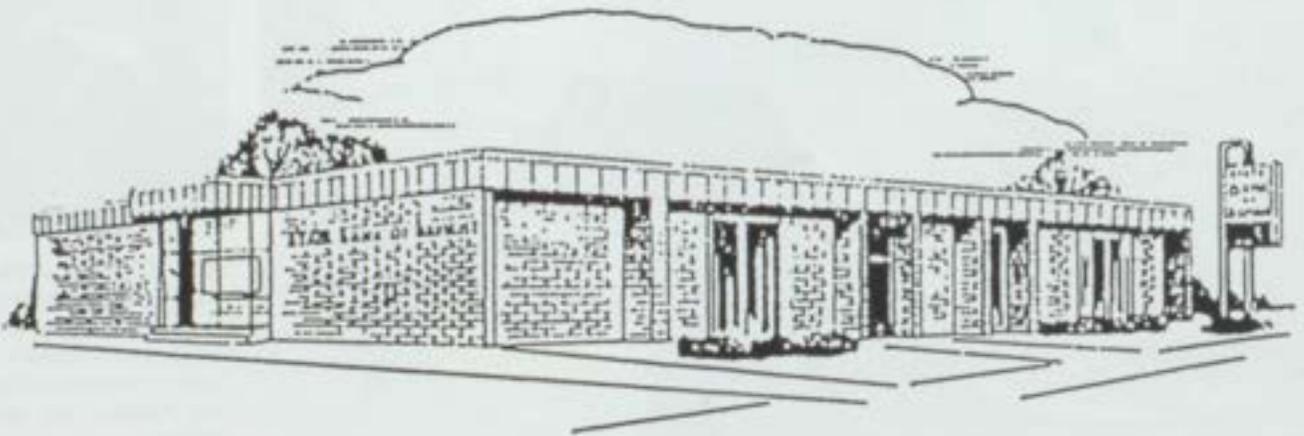
HOT STUFF! Junior Faith Hite smiles as she puts one of Charlie's famous pizzas in the oven. In December, Charlie's moved from their old location on Bodman to the old Rooster Inn snack bar on Moultrie.

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THAT'S INTERESTING! Freshman Jed Pope tries to understand English Usage while Jeremy Holladay takes a quick nap.

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HMMM? Mrs. Gross seems to be questioning an idea. Mrs. Gross taught band to both high schoolers and middle schoolers.



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DRIVING 'EM CRAZY. Bus driver Kirk Birch takes a timeout from all of the activities at a track meet.

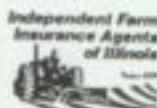
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MISCELLANEOUS

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT. Senior John Tracy works on his football drills at practice. John was defensive end and tight end for the Wildcats this year.



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DRIVE SAFELY. Junior Adam Benson gives everyone a speech about being safe and smart during prom activities. Adam was the junior class president this year.



FAIR-LY AWESOME. Junior Julie Fair uses all her jumping ability in this regional track meet. Long jump was Julie's most important event.



FRIENDS FOREVER. Holly Jayne, Lindsey Hartwig, Stacia Fuss, Heather Spalding, and Andrea Thompson all know how to have fun at after-prom. Most of these girls were found on the dance floor all right.

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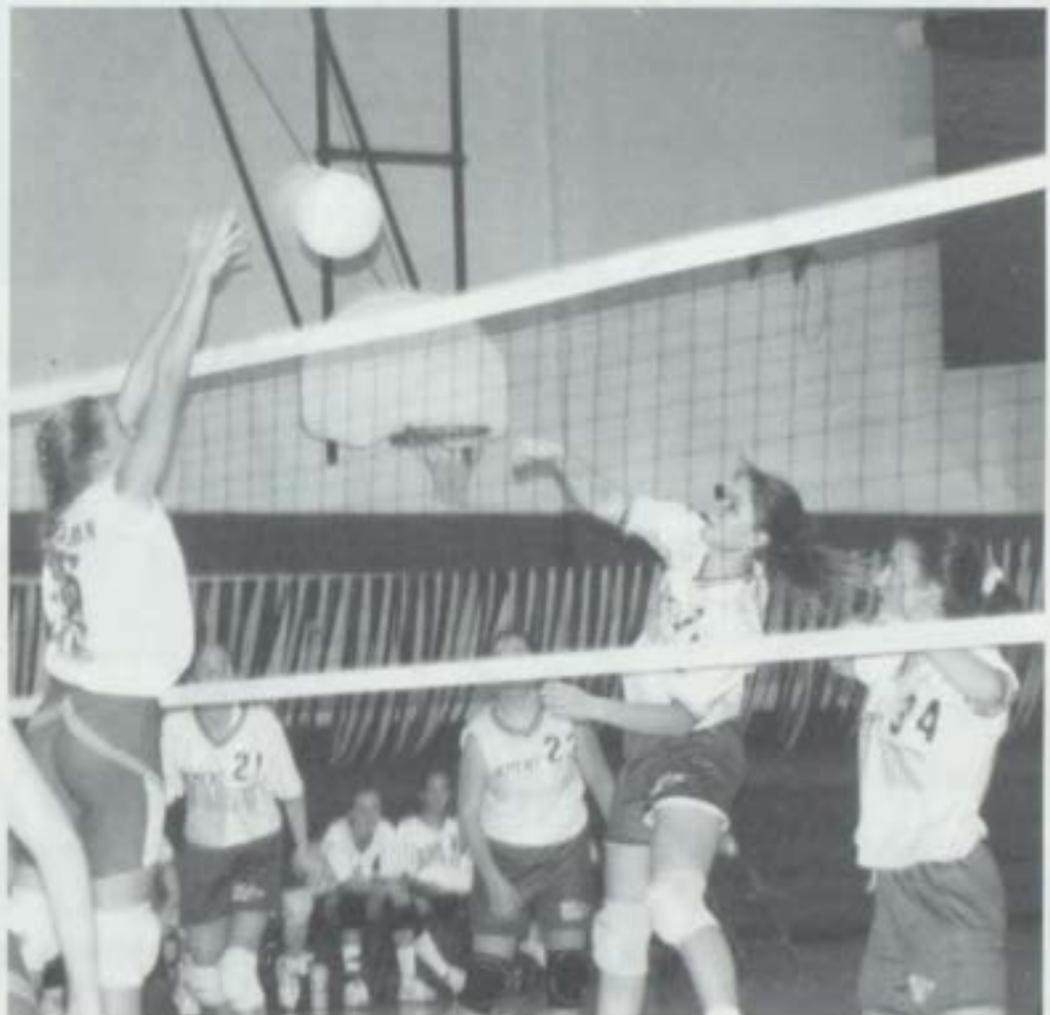


MISCELLANEOUS

GO.....REACH! Senior Laura Hill hands the bat on to freshman Holly Jayne in their 800 relay. This relay got third place in the Okaw tournament.



CRACK...! Junior Julie Walsh is just about to hit the ball over the fence. Julie was a major necessity to the team this year.



I THINK I CAN! Freshman Holly Jayne lines up for a shot. She is determined to make this shot in a game against Central A&M.

SMACK! Senior Jaime Zoch spikes the ball over the defending blocker. Jaime helped out the team a lot this year with her spikes.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

- Brandi, we're very proud of you and hope your future is a successful one! Love Mom, Dad, and Holly
- We are proud of you, Meredith! May all your dreams come true! Love, Mom, Dad, Neil and Reid
- Beth, I am so proud of you! Good going. Love, Mom
- Good luck, Laura. Hope all your dreams come true. Love, Mom, Dad, Michelle, Jaime and Buster
- Tony, you made it. We're so proud of the man you've become. Mom, Dad, and the Garys
- Aaron, congrats! We're proud of you and love you very much. Good luck. Love Mom, Dad, JJ, BJ, RJ
- We did it, kid! Now the rest is up to you. May all your dreams come true, Poop Bear. Love, Mom and Dad
- Anne, we're proud of you and love you always. You go, girl! Love, Mom, Dad, David
- Tom-so proud of the "Mann" you've become! Your fans, the Manns
- You made it, Tim! Remember always to look to the future. God be with you. Love, Mom. GO T-ROCK!
- Jeff, may you find a life of happiness and lots of success. We all love you. Mom, Dad, Patty, Tammy and Dan
- Congratulations, Bob! May your dreams always exceed your grasp. Love, Mom and Dad
- Matthew, congratulations and good luck in the future. Love, Mom, Dad, Andrew, Allan and Jason
- Congratulations, Tim! Love you, Mom, Dad and brothers
- Dená don't let any mountain get in your way. Always stand proud and tall. Love you, Dad, Mom and Denise
- Good luck, Amanda, in your future! May you succeed in anything you try! Love ya, Mom and Dad
- Congratulations Ryan! We are very proud of you. Be the very best that you can be. Love, Mom, Dad, Chuck and Biz
- Bird, we are so proud of the young man that you have become. Always keep your warm heart and open mind and you will do anything in life that you want to. Love, Mom, Dad, Chris and David
- Jessica, we love you and always will. May the good Lord guide and keep you always. Grandpa and Grandma T.

—John, we wish you success in all that you do. Love, Mom and Dad

—Charity, you have been, are, and always will be a blessing. Love, Mama and Papa

—Tom, be the best that you can be! We are very proud of you. Love, Mom and Dad

—Jaime, we're proud of you and your achievements. May your success continue! Love, Mom and Dad

—Craig, where, when and what may not be what you want! Thank you for demonstrating faith, respect and friendship. May you reach your goals and enjoy each day of your life. Love, Mom and Dad and clan

—John, we are very proud of you and love you. Mom, Dad, Mandy, Grandpa and Grandma

—Dear Jess, Wow! HIGH HONOR ROLL! I couldn't be prouder! Don't ever stop believing in yourself, and your dreams. I'll always be here to cheer you on! Love, Mom.



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THE WILKINSON YEARS 1984-1996

After this year when you walk into the chorus room, you won't see Mrs. Wilkinson's posters and her clever bulletin boards. You won't even see her sitting at her desk talking to Bill Bell about video games. Instead, you will see Mr. Hudson, a 1969 graduate of Bement High School. Mrs. Wilkinson came to Bement in 1984 and watched both of her daughters graduate as their mother and their teacher. For the past 12 years, despite all her different rooms, Mr. York's pranks and working with her daughter Michelle and son-in-law Richard, she has always been a pleasant and joyful person. Thanks, Mrs. Wilkinson.

1996. Mrs. Wilkinson takes time to sing with Junior Julie Fair and Sophomores Andrea Thompson and Jennie Clodfelter.



1995. Mrs. Wilkinson rehearses with her high school class for the spaghetti supper, baccalaureate service and graduation.

SAYING GOOD-BYE. Mr. Gross says goodbye to both Mrs. Gross and Mrs. Wilkinson. Mrs. Gross will also leave this year and is having a baby in August.



1992. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson congratulate their youngest daughter, Tami on her volleyball senior night. Both Wilkinson daughters participated in both band and chorus.

1990. Mrs. Wilkinson plays the piano again for one of her classes. She taught 6th, 7th and 8th grade and High School chorus.



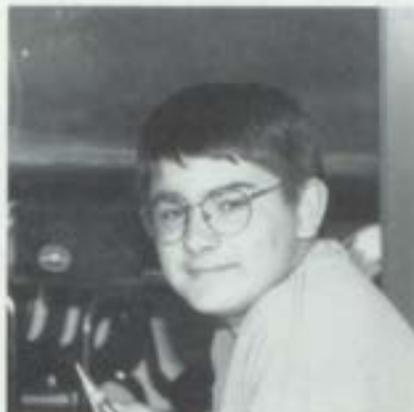
1991. Mrs. Wilkinson demonstrates dance moves. Show Choir met when she wasn't on a trip with her husband, Art.

YEARBOOK STAFF

STATS PUZZLE. Freshman Tabby Dallas takes a break from figuring out the stats book for her sports page. The students on this page worked the first week of summer to finish the book.



GIMPED CROPPER. Freshman Neil Craney gets frustrated with the broken cropper while preparing photos. When the paperwork was done, the staff went to Chi-Chi's in Champaign for lunch.



CAPTIONS, UGH! Sophomore Lindsey Hartwig works on writing captions for several pictures. Writing captions was the staff's favorite thing to do.



ASSISTING. Junior Faith Hite takes her title of assistant editor seriously. Faith, with three years of yearbook experience, was able to answer most of the staff's production questions.



GETTING PUNCHY! After working on several pages at once, freshman Holly Jayne tries on baby Leah's thinking cap for inspiration.



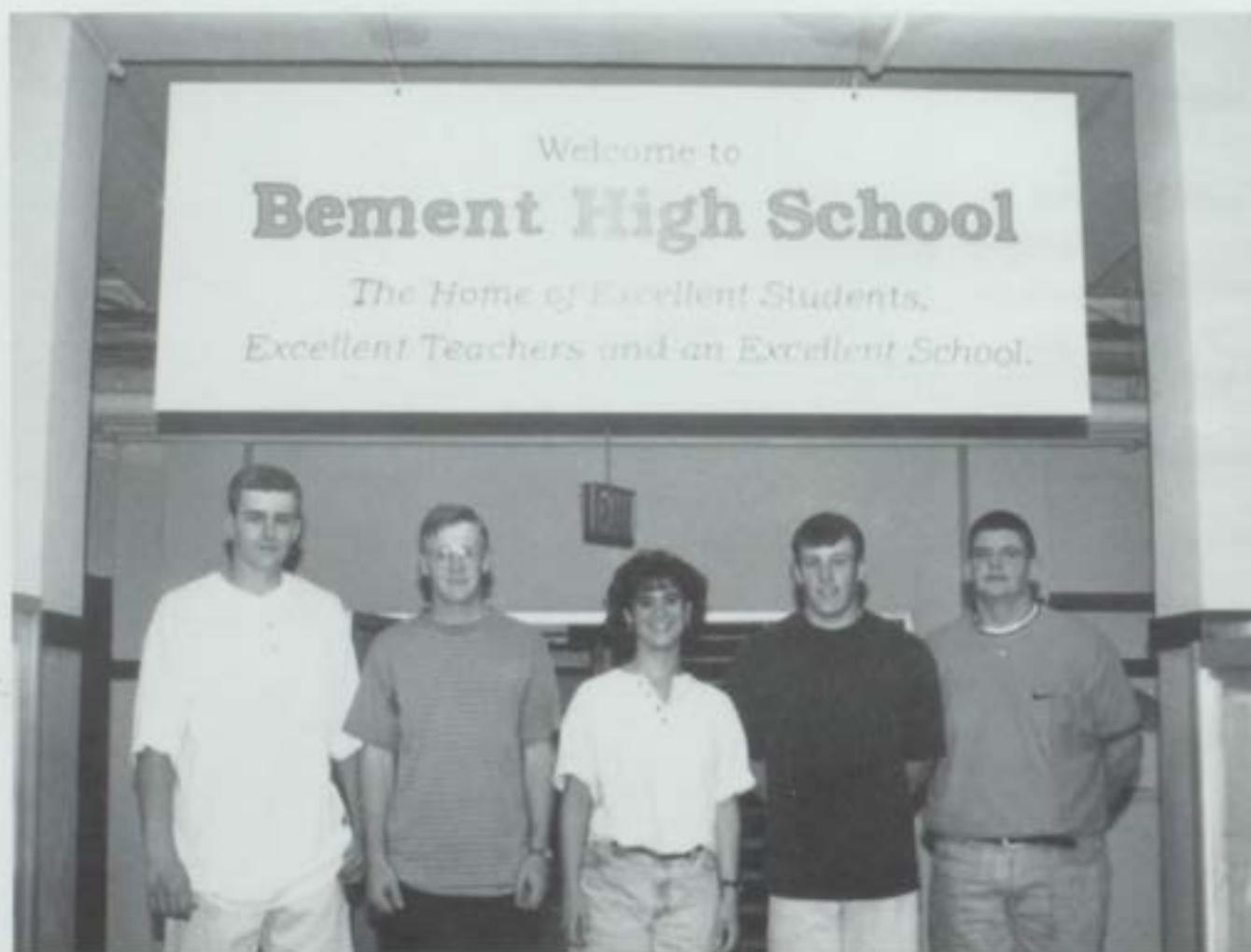
SWOOSH! Senior editor Ryan Tabaka took over many responsibilities during Senora's maternity leave. Only his second year on staff, Ryan produced the yearbook on time by using the computer software for the first time.



NETWORKING? Senior Bob Murrell puts a layout in the computer. Because of networking problems, Bob worked on the yearbook clear into July. What an initiation to the staff!

The yearbook staff is proud to have completed another year. We faced many hardships this year. Mrs. Henricks left us at the beginning of the year due to pregnancy, and her husband, Todd, had to fill in. To top it all off, we used computers for the first time to organize the pages, so no one really knew what was going on at first. I want to thank the student body for your cooperation this year. I especially want to thank the yearbook staff for all of your hard work. If it wasn't for you, this yearbook would never have been finished.

Ryan Tabaka
Editor



OUT OF HERE. In the spring of 1996, seniors John Strack, John Tracy, Katie Koebel, Jeff Morris and Ryan Tabaka are anxious to make it to a new big time.....College!

