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White Pigeon Community Schools White Pigeon, Michigan





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This Year's Editor - Sondra McCormick



Mike's Christmas Tree



1977 Editors Staff



Advisor - Karl R. Crisler Next year's Editor - John Hiner



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From Left, STANDING: D. Royce, J. Bennett, J. Perkins, C. Thomas, C. Bakeman, C. Groves, M. Hurley, C. Pieronski, C. Rhodes, K. Tucker, S. McCormick, D. Hershberger, T. Saunders, J. Engle, R. Cummings, C. Grady, R. Black, SITTING: R. Logan, S. Schwartz, R. Kiefer, D. Weiderman, C. Bralick.



Now Steve quit that.



Kim Tucker Business Manager.







# . . . In Deepest Appreciation





The White Pigeon Community Schools are losing one of the finest teachers on staff this year. She will retire after a most rewarding fifteen years of teaching. Truly rewarding for those of us fortunate enough to have studied under her, hopefully, a rewarding experience for her as well. This gives the Yearbook Staff the pleasure of dedicating their Yearbook of '77 to Mrs. Marion Thompson.

Mrs. Thompson, with her husband Samuel, moved to White Pigeon in 1948. They have two daughters, Lynn and Barbara, who have now married and have children. Mrs. Thompson, at the age of 40, started her teaching career in White Pigeon as another income for her family but it became a rewarding experience.

She obtained her education from West Technical High School in Cleveland, Ohio and West Virginia at Bethany College where she graduated with a summa cum laude.

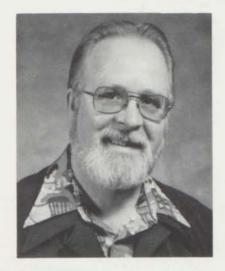
Speaking on behalf of the student body, we hate to say good-bye to the best teacher around. She had the aptitude for teaching with assiduous performance to get the students avid for knowledge. (See, we did learn something!!)

Good luck Mrs. Thompson.





### Dedication



## Karl R. Crisler



I would offer a tiperillo to a lady.

There is a lot of criticism on public schools and quality of education. What is your opinion on the matter, do you think this is justified, if so why, if not why?

Probably the criticism that public schools are not doing the job they were designed to do is justifiable - but then that original charter no longer obtains or at least not to the same extent. Re-organization and rededication has been the obvious solution since the notorious "generation of the 60's." The system is long overdue for an over hauling.

To begin with, compulsory education is an anachronism. The need to keep teenagers off the streets and out of the labor market no longer exists as it did in the early day of Mann and Dewey.

Modern Technological fields they are such that we can't begin to keep up with omnivorous demands for more and more vocationally proficient, career oriented, consumerwise bodies. The day of the craftsman is truly waning, but worse still is the grievous fact that we have fallen heir - thru negligence - to a generation of ambivalent souls who can't read or write adequately upon graduation. Of course over-reaction is as much at fault as having done nothing. The 50's and 60's bore this out - what's called for is enlightened, pragmatic concerted effort on the part of all involved in the educational delivery system to the end that ''schoolin' '' once again is a profitable, meaningful experience.

KRC

The class of 1977 would like to give its great appreciation to Mr. Crisler. He has been a great help to us. Personal thanks comes from the 1977 Yearbook staff, who are dedicating this yearbook to him. Thank you for all your advice.

1977 Yearbook Staff.
Sondra McCormick, Ed.
Kim Tucker, Business, mng.
Shirley Schwartz, Photo ed.
Barb Daniels, Ad., mng.

WHO ME!?!





Among the chatter between classes, anxiety of waiting for the bell, and cramming for semester exams, we led two separate lives.

Extra-curricular activities bound our free time to school after the final bell. Classes provided us with meeting places to talk to our friends and plan our future.

On the serious side, we learned experience and responsibility through our jobs in the community. We spent long hard hours taking notes, reviewing, and studying for tests we dreaded weeks in advance.

Thinking ahead as we planned our future was often pushed aside to make way for doing things we enjoyed much more. Lending a helping hand and working together helped us unify.



Student Life



## Student Life







- A. Oh Dave you can do it.
  B. Rick you're such a pig.
  C. Jealous girls
  D. Studs of the Junior Class
  E. They don't have play girl.
  F. Can't eat it, smell it.





## Memories



















### Charlie Brown



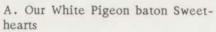
Mrs. Slack's Charlie Brown sandbox nursery school.

The nursery school comes twice a year for area young kids to learn a few little things before they start school.







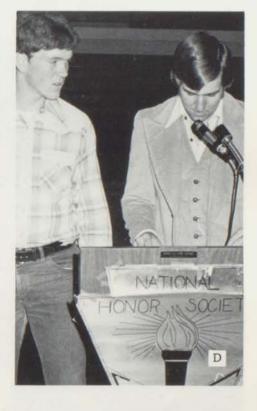


- B. Calm yourself down girls, they're trying to take a picture.
  C. Kick 'em high Deb.
  D. Let me talk now Jason.

- E. Our senior trombones
- F. Suzy you can flip 'em.

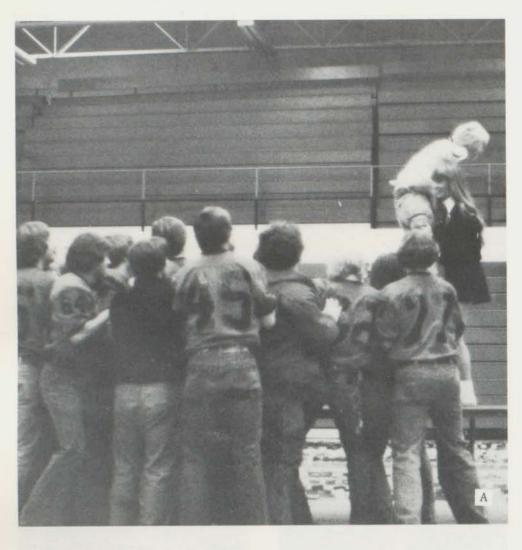


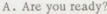












- A. Are you ready?
  B. My name isn't even in here.
  C. Study, Study
  D. Look ma one finger.
  E. Where did you come from?







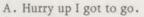












A. Hurry up I got to go.
B. Oh man, what are you doing?
C. This is what they say our school is all about.

D. Sondra watch it. E. All right just cool it.







- A. Are you sure they're going to be good?
  B. It will be O.K. Kim.
  C. This is my sexy look.
  D. Please give me a yearbook.
  E. Diane our perfect 7th grader
  F. Jason stop that!













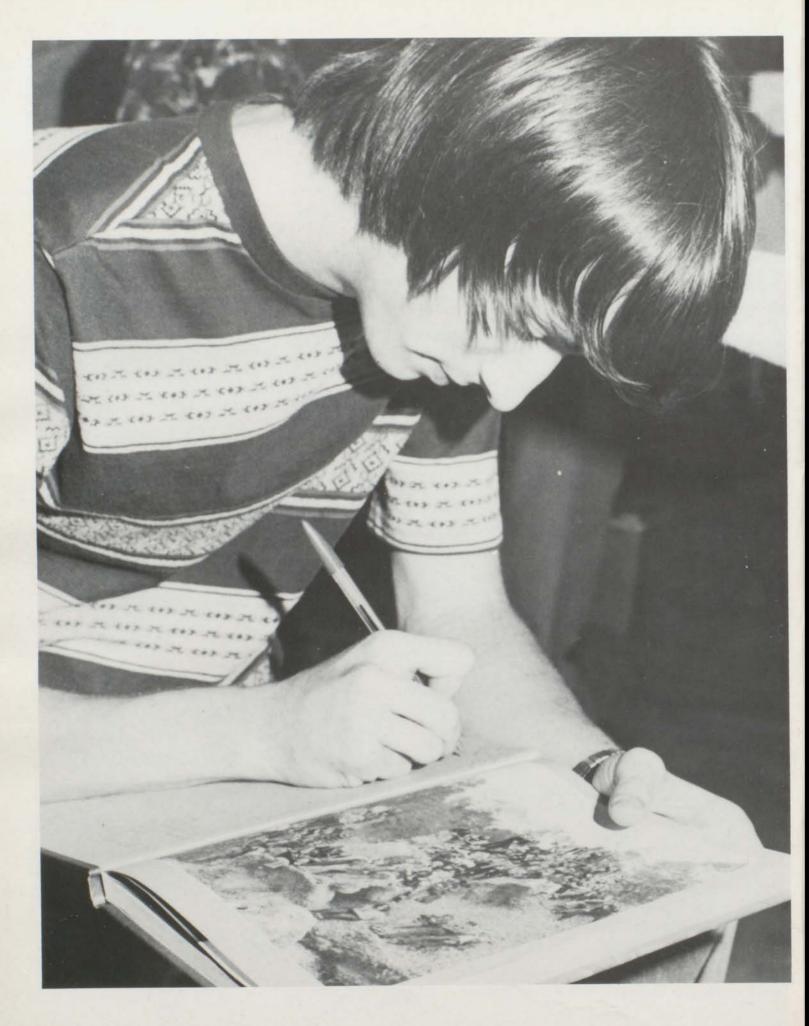




A. The stud is crippled.
B. The seniors at play
C. Ecology class at work
D. HO HO HO
E. Rah rah sis com pah
F. How's seating.

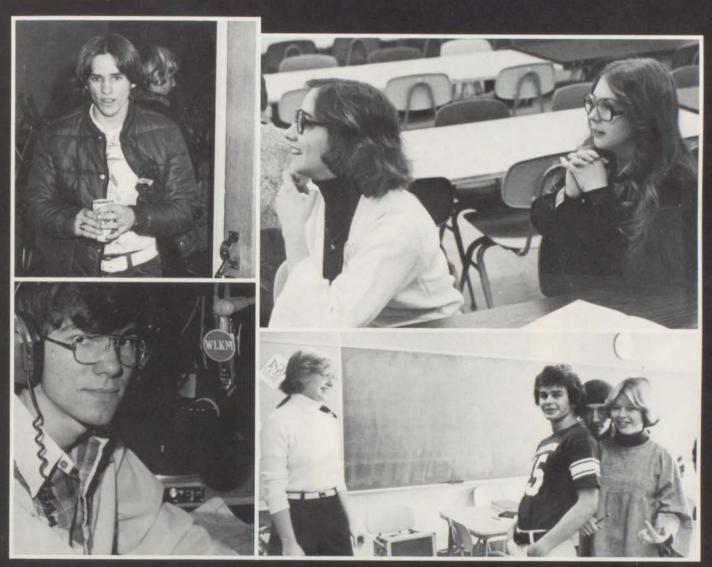






The SENIOR YEAR of high school, the year we have been waiting for, for many years. The most fun of them all! The excitement started with the Senior Trip, was that fun, then the Prom. And then last but not least,

GRADUATION! We thought we would never make it! But we did, and now we have a lot to think about. And a whole lot to remember.



Graduates

## Senior Class of 1977



BACK ROW: Ralph Malph Hagner, Rep., Scott Strawser, V.P., Rick Strawser, Rep., Brenda Burton, Sec., FRONT ROW: Kim Tucker, Treas., John Buck, Pres., Darcy Weiderman, Rep.

### Last of the Greats



Teresa Ann Arthur



David J. Baechler Jr.



Charann Bakeman



Christina Elaine Balyeat



Bart Wade Bennett



Gail Marie Bennett

### What Is a Senior?



Kim Tucker, DAR Rep.



Senior Class BBQ



Suzy as Santa



Seniors pound Juniors 36-14.





WLKM and Miller



Jerri Susanna Bennett



Spirit King and Queen Suzy and John



Randy L. Block



John Eugene Bennett



Starla Kay Bergerson





Christina Anne Bralick



Michael G. Brewington



John Michael Buck



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### SENIOR PICTURES







Farrell Burns



Brenda Li Burton



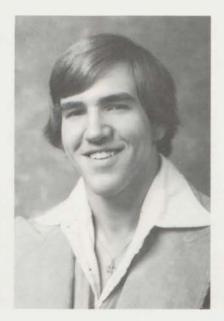
Lu Ann Carper



John Robert Carr



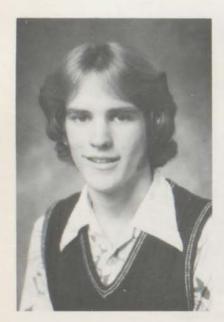
Marcia Ann Cloud



Jason J. Copenhaver

Seniors at Lunch





Ricky Lee Cummings



Barbara Jean Daniels



Beth Ann DeMeyer



Floyd E. Deubner



William C. Diehl



Carrie Ann Erlandson



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Bradley Scott Evilsizor



Deborah E. Flatt



Connie Lynn Ellis



Brenda G. Freshour



Marjorie Ann Furey



Cynthia Lee Gasper



Frederick Brain Gilhams



Rosemary Groves



Cliff A. Haack



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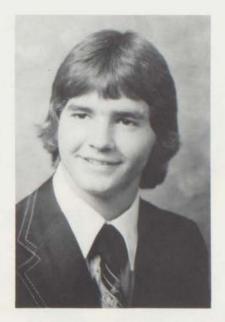




Dale A. Hagen



Ralph Walter Hagner



David Lee Harman



Se a r b o o k



Keith E. Harris



Debra J. Heign



Donna Marie Hiner

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WIZARD!!



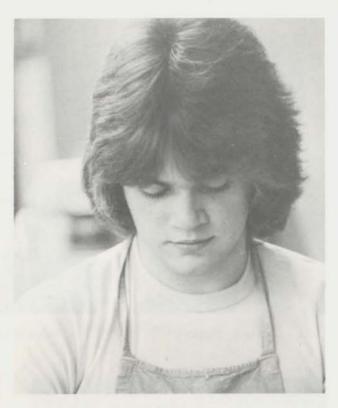
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Lucinda Marlene Hummel

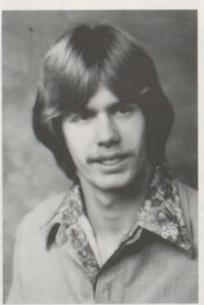


Michael Leo Hurley



Scott hard at work

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Colleen Kay Huster



John Jackson



Kathy Ann Lemasters



Linda Lorene Longacre



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GASPER



HARMAN



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Tonda Ann Lytle



Sondra Lynn McCormick



Karl P. Mead

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Catherine Elaine Mentor

We Are the

Seniors



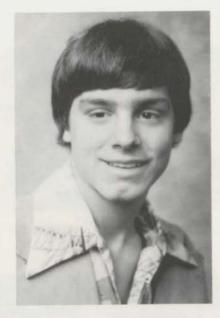




Randall Leroy Miller



Michael Loren Nicholson



Thomas Mitchell Nottoli



A Smile of Love





Melton Powell



Joyce Rochelle Rauguth



Ronald Jesse Rex





Dianna Lynn Sassaman



Elizabeth Inez Sassaman



Karen Renae Shaver

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Sandra McClain Slemp



Jody L. Snyder



Lawrence LeRoy Springer



Valerie Springer



Becky Jean Stabler



Jacquelyn Sue Starr

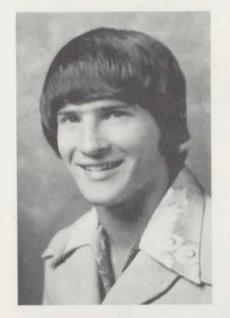






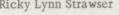
Kathy Gayts Exchange Student





Ricky Lynn Strawser







Scott Kenneth Strawser



Cheryl Ann Stutsman



Julie Marie Taggart

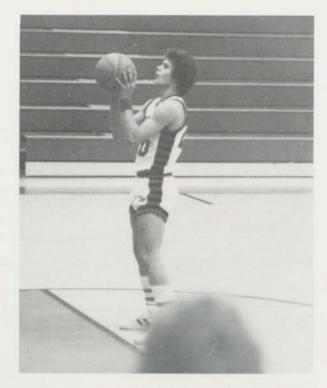


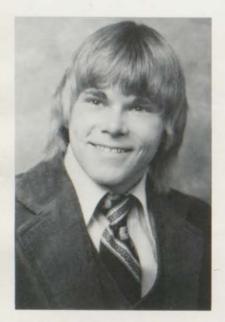


Steve Tavernier

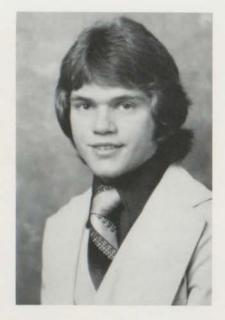


Sheila F. Terry

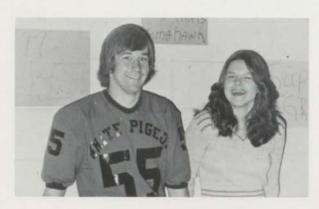


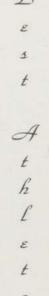


Nicholas Todd



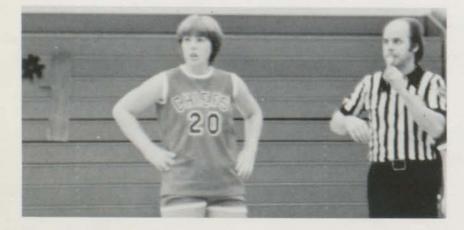
Scott Trout







Kimberly Marie Tucker





Kelly Van Zile



Steven Wagner



Suzanne Walters



Darcy Weiderman



Sexy they aren't!!









Debra Holt



Katrin Gatys



Beth Zerbal



FIND THE SENIORS: Ralph, Kelly, and Chris.

# Senior Breakfast





They sure do eat slow.



Can I sit here?



Gee, I didn't get any of that.



Those poor kids.



Hope he knows what he's doing.



Syrup on sausage?

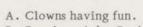


Mrs. McKenzie serving the drinks.

# Senior Trip







B. Connie and the Capital
C. Relaxing by the Washing-

ton Monument

D. Char, Ralph, and Darcy having a good time.









Our chaperones, Mr. and Mrs. Stanton and Mr. and Mrs. West.



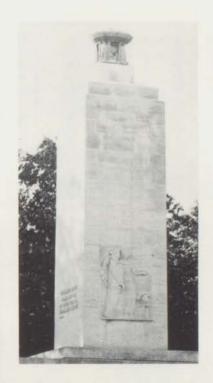


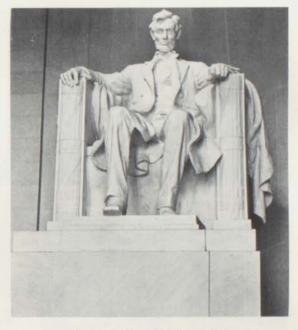
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The White House.





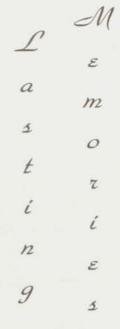
Abraham Lincoln Memorial.

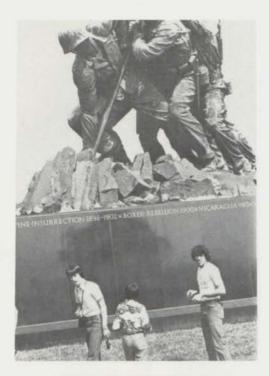


The Changing of the guards, at Arlington Memorial Cemetary.



Steve and his sweeties.





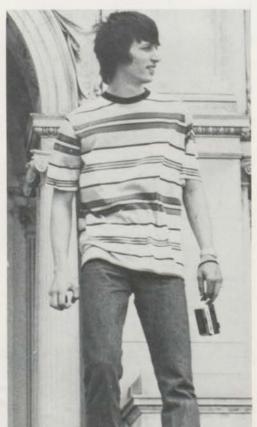
The United States Marines.











CLASS MUSICIAN:		CLASS CLOWN:	
Cheryl Stutsman	11	Sheila Terry	
Ralph Hagner	del	Ralph Hagner	
CLASS ARTIST:	No.	MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED:	
Cathy Mentor	AND THE REAL PROPERTY.	Kim Tucker	
Ron Rex	0	Randy Miller	
MOST ALL AROUND:		QUIETEST:	
Brenda Burton	C	Valerie Springer	
John Buck	- 100	Don Merritt	
JOLLIEST:	6	MOST STUDIOUS:	
Suzy Walters	R	Kim Tucker	
Ralph Hagner		Randy Miller	
CLASS PEST:	A STREET	CLASS ORATOR:	
Beth DeMeyer		Joyce Rauguth	
John Jackson	C	Randy Block	
OPTIMIST:		TEACHER'S PET:	
Suzy Walters		Brenda Burton	
John Buck	P	Jason Copenhaver	
MOST POPULAR:	L	BEST ATHLETE:	
Brenda Burton		Cindy Gasper	
Scott Trout	= 8	Rick Strawser	
BEST DANCERS:	and the	BEST DRESSED:	
Rosemary Groves		Starla Bergerson	
Bart Bennett	C	Bart Bennett	
LATE FOR EVERYTHING:		CLASS BROWNIE:	
Donna Hiner	F	Brenda Burton	
Dale Hagen	Hall Fr	Jason Copenhaver	
BEST PERSONALITY:	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	FIGURE AND PHYSIQUE:	
Brenda Burton	TOL 1	Deb Holt	
John Buck		Scott Trout	
LADY AND GENTLEMAN:	1	PESSIMIST:	
Starla Bergerson		Beth DeMeyer	
Ralph Hagner	-	Farrell Burns	
MOST DESIRABLE DATE:	n	FLIRT AND WOLF:	
Brenda Burton	Contract of the second	Darcy Weiderman	
Scott Trout		Dave Harman	
MOST TALKATIVE:	2	BEST LOOKING:	
Brenda Burton	and the second	Deb Holt	
Randy Block		Scott Trout	
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## Awards Assembly 1977



- A. The girls marching in. B. Rick and Deb
- C. Class Valedictorian
- D. Barb handing over the gavel to Ranc
- E. Seniors hamming it up.
- F. Choir entertains.













. And Mr. Jeacher





- A. Seniors of the 1976-77 Marching Chiefs Band
- B. Deb and Valerie
- C. Science Fair Winners
- D. Mr. Dennis Stanton
- E. Joyce presenting trophy to the school.





Dennis Stanton of the Year



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To my Fellow graduates:

Good evening to you on this night of June 8th, 1977. This is an evening that has been set aside to honor the completion

of thirteen years of hard work and study.

As each person listens to this service, many different thoughts and ideas pass through his mind. These thoughts probably pertain to each year of his school life and these memories undoubtedly bring mixed emotions. There might be good memories of catching the winning touchdown, passing that impossible test, or even skipping class and not getting caught. There might also be sad memories of getting caught cheating on a quiz or receiving a "get lost" letter from your special guy or gal.

We will cherish these memories for many years. All of these memories are made possible only through the constant guidance and strict teaching by our teachers, parents, and friends. We have spent thirteen years being cajoled, threatened, or sometimes forcefully pushed into working up to this

I would like to thank my parents, teachers, and each of my friends for all of the help that you have given to me though the past years. There have been many times when I have been angry or upset and these people have helped me to see the bright side of my problem. I shall always remember the piles of school books that were somehow left unopened until many reminders had been given.

We should realize that these memories, both pleasant and unpleasant, are just remembrances. Now, it is time to turn our thoughts to the future. We should all keep in mind our motto of ''Fear not tomorrow, for I have seen yesterday and I

love today.'

In the past few months, every Senior has made decisions. Some have decided to work or go to college and a few have decided to remain undecided. In whatever decision we have arrived at, each of us has a common goal in mind. In striving to reach this goal, we unconsciously model ourselves after every other person that has lived on this earth. We are now going out into the world to claim one of the rights that our forefathers fought for in the Revolutionary War. We are claiming the right to the pursuit of happiness.

I hope that each of you use your own special talents to seek this goal. In whatever path of life you decide to follow, live the most complete life that you can. Make yourself happy by trying your hardest in whatever you set out to accomplish. Help yourself and everyone who is around you to learn to love life. Above all, take time to appreciate every sight, sound, and marvelous wonder as you travel through life in God's

great world.

Thank you Cheryl Stutsman - Valedictorian - 1977





To the class of 1977, high school faculty, parents, and quests:

Each year, the graduating Senior Class is a little different than the graduating classes in the past. But, there is one similarity every graduating class has in common. Each and everyone of us at sometime or another daydreams about the future, wondering what our next move will be in life. Will it be further education or immediate entry into the job market.

With this decision comes a little fear, but with all the

excitement the fear seems to fade away.

At one time or another everyone of the graduating seniors probably thought they would never make it through school. But, each time they rose to meet the challenge.

In the future there will be many challenges to be met. Each time the members of the Class of '77 will have to rise to meet the challenges in order to be successful in life and achieve the goals we have set. For there is nothing to fear because you rose to meet the challenges yesterday and you CAN meet the challenges of tomorrow if you want to.

In closing, I would like to thank the White Pigeon High School Faculty for all their time and efforts. They are deeply

Most of all I would like to make a special thanks to my parents. Without their support and guidance I know this day would not have been possible for me.

Good luck to all, in the Class of '77, may you achieve

your goals.

Thank you. Kim Tucker, Co-Salutatorian - 1977

# Speeches

#### Salutatorian

Jackie Starr Class President

Good Evening,

I'd like to say I'm sorry
That this time has come to pass,
But actually I say to all . . .
"'Let's stand up and cheer!"
How many times have we asked ourselves
"'What am I doing HERE!"

For twelve long years we've listened to THEM And really gotten tired.

Now we've got to use what we've learned, HOPING to be hired.

Others of us, so certain in our knowledge Are bluffing it through and Going on to college.

I'd like to thank the teachers Who have helped me in my success, But actually! . . .

To Mr. Stanton, Mr. West And their charming wives. Thank you for making the Senior Trip One of the BEST times of our lives.

Mrs. Thompson is retiring, I do sadly fear. But I'm glad you stayed At least this one last year.

To the teachers who've been both fathers and mothers, I leave you at the mercy of my two younger brothers.

My poem is closing and I'd like to say, It was just meant to brighten your day.

I've had my say, I've had my fun And with this thought, my poem is done.

As we put our books upon the shelves, REMEMBER: The Lord helps those who help themsleves.

Jacquelyn S. Starr Co-Salutatorian On behalf of the Seniors, I would like to welcome all of the parents, relatives, friends and faculty to our Graduation Ceremonies here at White Pigeon High School,

For all of the Seniors graduating tonight, it is another step in our lives. We will be leaving old friends, good teachers and a way of life to go out into the world to live as an adult. It's like being kicked out of the nest by the Mother Bird and told to fly on our own.

Many of the teachers we have had here at White Pigeon will be remembered by us all of our lives. You liked some, respected some and admired some. They wiped your nose, dried some tears, pushed your brain, said they would never teach another year but they always came back.

Teachers are the unsung heroes of our lives. Many Seniors here have been awarded with high honors and awards for achievement, but the real honors should go to our teachers for 12 years of this Senior Class of '77.

Most of the Graduates here have been at White Pigeon all of their school years. I have only been here for five. Coming from a large school was quite an adjustment for me. I know many people feel a large high school will give you a better education to prepare you for college or society but I have found the smaller school with its closer relationships can make for a better human being.

So if we leave here tonight with a strong desire for learning, compassion for our fellow man, respect for other people and a Love of God, then how can we miss.

John Buck Senior Class President

John Buck







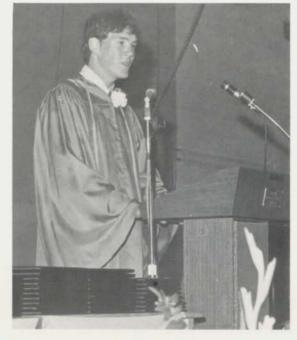
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Our last time . . .



Junior escorts



If a picture paints a thousand words . . .













### We are not afraid of tomorrow, For we have seen yesterday, And we love today.



Talking over old times



Our Class Sponsor and Teacher of the year.



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A lot of hassle for a little tassel.





. . . together

### Class Wills

Teresa Arthur - I will to my brother David to stay in school, have a good time and stay out of trouble.

Dave Baechler - I will my lighter, little white papers, tweezers, and my I.D. to Greg Brewington.

Charann Bakeman - I will my bright smile to Roxane Logan even through the worst days, and keep up faith in what you're doing.

Chris Balyeat - I will to Kim Balyeat all the loneliness of my senior year because next year she'll have the same problem.

Gail Bennett - I will the opportunity of having a little brother and sister to Mr. and Mrs. Bozo.

Jerry Bennett - I will my job at KK Ranchwear to Be Arbogast and my horse to Leonard Parker, whenever he needs it.

John Bennett - I will to Jody Tackett the ability to go to any dance he wants to drink and never get caught.

Starla Bergerson - I will to "Dimples" my ability to choose winning football teams.

Randy Block - I will the hair on my chest to Mr. Wood and he can even use some on his head if he wants.

Chris Bralick - I will my ability to fail every Algebra test ever put in front of me and still pass with a "C" to Lynn Sheaks, and also my ability to row out in the middle of Mrs. Benne's lake and get left behind to any track member.

Mike Brewington - I will, to Brian McQuade, a new pair of blue jeans and to the class of "78" a partyin' SENIOR YEAR.

John Buck - I John Buck will Tim Wilson my ability to leave my Athletic supporter at home. To Kevin Becktell my athletic ability, not that he needs it. To Kevin Sullivan my number in football. And all the luck in the world to the teachers at White Pigeon.

Farrell Burns - I will to my good friends, Greg Brewington, Steve Niblock, all the wild times I had in High School and to John Hiner, the small hope he may party someday, and to Laura Berchaitti my brown sweater and to Lisa Cholometes my great classic of a van.

Brenda Burton - I will to the only person who deserves this, Cinday Benash, my clumsy abilities in Volleyball and P.E. "Have Fun."

LuAnn Carper - I will to Dave DeMeyer my little, big sister Cindy.

John Carr - I will my Volkswagen to "The Bob" so he can go on to be a pinball wizard and PARTY!

Marcia Cloud - I will my ability to stay so skinny and not get fat to Amy Sparrow.

Jason Copenhaver - I will to my brother my ability to get good grades without really trying and my fantastic spelling powers. An two Msr. Tomsun mi grate speling powers.

Barb Daniels - I will my love of Klinger Lake to everyone who lives on that swamp over-flo called Long Lake.

Carrie Erlandson - I will to Jody Tackett and Randy Miller the ability to enjoy their last two years of high school without getting caught.

Deb Flatt - I will my ability to sit through Mr. Martin's entire gov't. class without getting caught with my chewing gum to Becki Walcott.

Connie Foreman - I will to Cindy Bale the ability to keep calm when going out with a guy, that owns a Trans Am.

Cindy Gasper - I will my height to Anne Nottoli, who is going to need it against those 6 ft. centers, and I will my keen insight for ''business transactions' to anyone who thinks they can handle it and still come out on top.

Fred Gilhams - I will to Rosalyn Wlaker my lucky hat. To Chuck Shaver and Kent Bakeman a good year in X-country and a green "Kiss" ticket. And to Kim and Rhonda Mathew my "Bad Co." T-shirt. To Mr. Jarrad my favorite X-country coach I will my entire Notre Dame shirt collection.

Rosemary Groves - I will to any Jr. the ability to write your own excuses like me and never get caught.

Dale Hagen - I Dale Hagen, being of sore mind and body will all of my baseball mishaps to all future and present 1st basemen especially John Hiner.

Ralph Hagner - I will - my will holds many thoughts and ideas for many people. There are so many friends in this school that I wish I could will something to everybody, but the main idea for my will is that everyone in this school will have happiness in their hearts - especially my closest friends.

Dave Harman - I will every SENIOR this year the best of their senior year, because I tried my hardest to make it my best.

Deb Heign - I will to my favorite Junior, Judi Rex, the ability to have a great senior year even though the people you care most about are out of school.

Donna Hiner - I will my rowdiness to Frank Seybert and my defensive tricks and temper in the Powder Puff game to Shirley Schwartz. As for Leslie, Longacre, LuAnn, Sabe, Jamie, Shelly, and Sue, I leave you with memories of some of the high times we had in 76-77, for when you run into some of the hard times in life.

Deb Holt - I will my body, my great sense of humor, and my ability to skip school and not get caught to Greg Brewington.

Cindy Hummel - I will my ability to get up in the morning to Lori Irelan and Kandy Balyeat.

Mike Hurley - I Micheal Hurley being of perfect body and dwindling mind, I hereby begeth and devour all of the following words, people, places and things. To Sondra (Sarsy) McCormick, a word of THANKS for the use of the swimming pool for the practice of my expertise in swimming. To Scott Balyeat my expertise in swimming so not to drown the next time he goes to the dunes. To my brother Mark, the ability to make it in after a hard night's "work" and not get caught. And to Kim Balyeat (or whoever wants it) my poor battered body.

Colleen Huster - I will to Walls my speed in shorthand and to "Pollock" my "stero" and to both a lot of fun times in school.

John Jackson - I will to Rick Kiefer, the wrath of Mr. Crisler.

Kathy Lemasters - I will my ability to be short and the ability of not growing for three whole years to Steve Tavenier and Pam Eymer.

Sondra McCormick - I will to all Mat Maids, the ability to keep up with and understand Mr. Stanton. And to Bryan Strang all the best of luck in the world. To Mark Hurley some ice cream for the top of his orange cones. And to Mike Hurley thanks for letting me use his CB for advertisement at the chicken BBQ.

Randy Miller - I will to all underclassmen the ability and desire to be an individual and to seek and obtain what he or she wants. Good Luck,

Tom Nottoli - I will my toughness from Rick Learnaster to Greg Brewington and Jesse Salisbury.

Joyce Rauguth - I will the courage to play baseball to any girl willing to try it.

Ron Rex - I will Mrs. Davio my ability to clean the art room next year cause I won't be here to do it for her.

Dianna Sassaman - I will my job in the cafeteria to Richard Sanford and all its problems.

Lisa Sassman - I will my ability to mouth off to Mr. White to anybody who's unfortunate enough to get stuck in his class.

Karen Shaver - I will my running ability to Kristi Shoppell.

Jody Snyder - I will "Sarsy", "Boozer", "Squeaky", and "Heifer", all my empty bottles so they will always remember me. Also, leave you with a lot of good memories.

Becky Stabler - I will to Mrs. Davio all my skimpy clothes, and to April, Carmen, and Vicki all my old homework papers and all my credits.

Jackie Starr - I will Cindy Bale the ability to listen to Mrs. Benne but not hear a thing.

Rick Strawser - I will to Tony Cholometes my ability to protect myself on the basketball court. Plus one steel jock for added protection.

Scott Strawser - I will my brains, that I never used, to any sucker who is willing to take it. I will my body to that girl who has a crush on me. P.S. her name is "sexy."

Cheryl Stutsman - I will my ability to goof off in band and not get caught to Lori Cline and Ellie Schott.

Julie Taggart - I will to the class of 78 to have a good and rowdy time.

Sheila Terry - I will to Monte, Nick, Shelly, Mark, Steve, Anne, Diane, Brenda, and Tami, Toni, and Rhona (the rat) all the chances to have good times like me. To Monte and Cindy the best cause they deserve it and to Cindy my I.D.

Kim Tucker - I will my ability to get along with Mrs. Benne to the three stooges of the girl's basketball team.

Steve Wagner - I will to Chuck Shaver my nickname "Javeline" on the Basketball team and to Dave Slack my ability to cheat in Cross Country and not get caught.

Darcy Weiderman - I will my ability to drive a Volkswagen to Tammy Lamb.

Suzy Walters - I will Donna Gardner, Deb Taggart, and Chris Mentor my ability to ask the wrong questions at the right time.

Beth Zerbel - I will to Karen Koscielny all the good times I missed out on in the past 4 years.



The years of a Freshman, Sophomore, Junior are filled with many great memories for everyone after they are out of school. Freshman year is probably the most hectic of them all, trying to get used to the teachers, where the rooms are, and how to dodge everybody in the hall. Sophomore year you really start to feel like you're in high school. You start raising money for your Senior Trip, by having dances, pot-lucks, car washes, and anything you can think of. Junior year that's the fun one. The record sale, and still trying to earn money. You start to think, only one more year.



Under-classmen

# Juniors of 1977











Rick Anglemyer Robert Astling Cindy Bale Kim Balyeat Theresa Barnes



I wonder what she is thinking about?



Be Quiet!

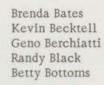






















Tina Brandli Bill Brorson Alice Brown Pam Bryarly Joni Busz











Tony Cholometes Lori Cline Lilly Conley Mark Cornish Chuck Craft









Richard Curtis John Deisler Bob Deisler David DeMeyer Lynda Drew



These are the shoulder pads our boys wear.





Think back to all the old memories.













Darcie Easterda Tim Easterday Kelli Ellias Jeff Engel Pam Eymer



Kissing in the Bleachers



Connie Fitts



Diane Flatt



Smile Pretty



Who ME



Donna Gardner



Lynelle Girton

LuAnn Graber



Hey I'm cool . . .



Chuck Grady Deb Hershberger









Linda Hershberger Hope Hiller

Teena Hiller







John Hiner

Sandy Hizer Cindy Houghton







Tim Hostetler Lewis Hummel

Barb Jackson







Mary Jackson

Edna Jewell







Al Kershner

Rick Keifer Tony Kistler









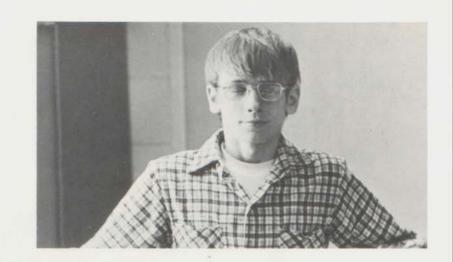
Karen Koscielny Cara Lawson



Roxanne Logan



Dan McCarrell











Delbert Magner Tina Mahar Rick Maichen Larry Mann Chris Mentor



Deb Mills



John Moffett



Scott Moyer



Oh my Knee



I hope I don't have to eat this.





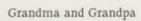






Steve Niblock Laura Nielson Craig Pagels Robin Pendleton Jim Perkins







Hey it's me.



Chris Pieronski



Betsy Pratt



Virginia Prouty



Joe Rauguth



Judy Rex



Hi everybody











Cindy Rhodes Dan Royce Richard Sanford Tracie Sarver Tim Saunders



Mr. Stanton showing his moves.



Takin' a rest



Not in the gym.



Thinkin' of Shirley



Munchie, Munchie



Hi Roxy









Vickie Schmittendorf Ellie Schott Mike Schumacher Shirley Schwartz



John's normal look



Junior Class Officers and Representatives.











Don Schwemer Frank Seybert Chuck Shaver Kristi Schoppell Dave Slack











Alan Smith Amy Sparrow Ron Starr Dawn Strawser Kim Stuck



Don't take a picture of me.



Junior Sports writers



Brenda and her work of art











Sandra Studabaker Sabra Sullenger Deb Taggart Cindy Thomas Marianne Thompson





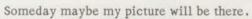






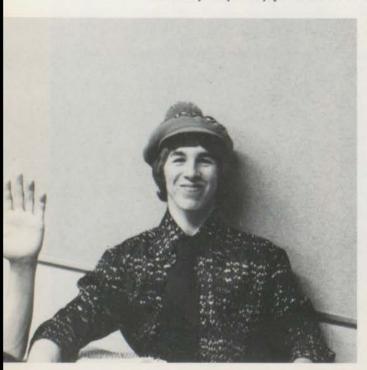
Tami Travis Mike Tyree Michelle Van Vlerah Tami Wagner Becki Walcott







No I'm not skipping class.









Biology goofs

Oh no!!



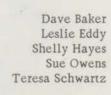


Lori Walls John Ward Pam Yoder Joyce Anglemeyer























# Sophomore Class

Left: It's fun watching somebody else work for once! Right: Fame, what's fame?



Who Me???



Trying to keep warm



Three Arlene's?!?





Kay Airgood

Kenneth Altine Mary Altine Doug Alverson











Arlene Astling Jeff Baechler

Jody Baechler Craig Bakeman











Ted Baker Deb Baldwin Scott Balyeat

Brent Bates











Robert Bates Robert Becktell Cindy Benash Jerry Bennett











Chelle Bergerson Stephanie Black Glen Block Linda Bowen Greg Brewington



Kathleen Capp

Jeff Cast

Tony Catanzarite
Caroline Chamness
Lisa Cholometes













Scott Copenhaver Nancy Deubner Susan Dowley















Pam Easterday Dee Easterday

Vote for ME!

That wasn't fair!

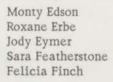






















Matt Gasper Rebecca Hagner April·Harrison Jamie Hayes Rick Hodgson

Lee Anne Hunter Mark Hurley Randy Irelan Cynthia Johnston Katherine Keifer



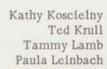








Teresa Light Kim Mathew Dale Miller Randy Miller Tim Miller

























This is my brother.











Now what do you want my picture for?













David Moore Ricky Moore Ernest Neal Carmen Negrete Pete Nicholson













Craig Outman

Leanord Parker

Chris Pfenning

Donna Prouty

Virginia Prouty











Doris Rentfrow

Mark Ripplinger

Don Rose

Dana Royce

Jeff Russell













Jesse Salisbury Carl Sassaman



Oh NO!!





Theresa Schaffer



Denise Schumacher



Lynn Sheaks



Bryan Strang Candi Strawser Mike Stutsman Kevin Sullivan Penny Swart











Gary Shoppell Doug Skeels Steve Snyder Angela Springer Mark Stears









LuAnn Swihart









Jody Tackett







Susan Tastula Roger Terry Jody Tschupp



Ed Tyree Cora Underwood Bob Wagner Becky Wegner Vann Weiderman





















June Welch Linda Westfall Connie Wilson Deb Wilbur Dennis Wood

Dodee Wood Deb Yoder Vicki Yoder Mark Altine Fred Buck



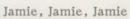














Dropped something



Class STUD!!

Pam Easterday Dave Ford Laurie Gardner Connie Groves Lori McFall

















Jeanne Huster Bill Owens Steve Rossen













Sandy Eash Denise Hill Harold Mann Tim Miller Curt Powell



























Dianna Anderson Belinda Arbogast Randy Arnett Charles Arthur Joe Astling









Kent Bakeman Mike Baker Kandy Balyeat Steve Barczak John Barnard









Kim Bassett James Beardsley Roger Bell Lauretta Berchiatti















Richie Bergerson Patrice Bethrum Laura Black Dee Blanchard Quince Bontrager











Tim Bontrager Wendell Bowen Dean Boyer Mary Bralick Gail Brandli











Jeff Bumpus Alton Burk Phyllis Campbell Carl Carr Jay Chapman





William Clewell Mike Cline





Gwen Coleman James Coleman



Play it again Gail.



Greg Comstock Joel Connelly



James Corner Julie Crist













Doug DeMeyer Jeff Dickerhoof Laurie Downs Mike Engel Randy Fisher











Daleleen Foreman Kirt Foreman Shannon Games Kenneth Garn Mark Gasper











Danny Gest Mary Gilhams Lester Graber Lois Graber Karen Haifley











Cindy Harman Mark Harman Diane Hart Nick Hayes











Cathy Heign Dean Hill Nancy Hummel Lori Irelan Anita Jackson











Debroah Jessie Diane Jessie Andy Johnson Autumn Kiner Eric Kistler





CLASS OFFICERS: LEFT: Nancy Hummel, Laura Salsibury, Diana Pillow, Tommi Tackett, FRONT: Monica Rodwick, Gina Lawson.















Gary Knepp Mary Kropf Brenda Lamb Catherine Lanway Mike Laughlin











Randy Laws Gina Lawson Kevin Lung Barry Lutz Patrica Lyons











Cynthia Maichen William Magner Jeanne Mallo Sherry Marshall Julie Mitchell



Class Sponsor Mr. Bargwell







Annette Moore Joe Negrete Mike Nihart







Anne Nottoli Sue,Oldenburg Connie Ott







Dianna Pillow Gerald Pratt Peggy Ream







Ed Rentfrow Janee Rex



Monica Rodwick Debbie Rudolf



Beth Russell



Laura Salisbury



James Sanford



Danny Saunders



Look at my new house.



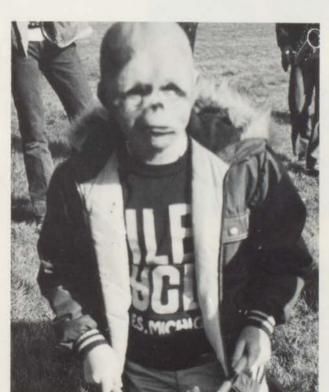








Roger Schmidt Ron Schmidtendorf Lisa Schumacher Tim Sheaks Ray Skeels







William Snyder Lori Steiner







Brad Strawser Debra Strawser





Mary Studabaker Mike Swinehart





Tommi Tackett Mike Thomas



Study hall for studying??!







Jeff Todd Sonja Tschupp





Lori Webster David Whistler





Robert Wilson Jane Witmer



Monte Riley Barbara Schuster



Jim Swinehart Deborah Patterson



Marla Silk



Jerry Wolgamood Heidi Yerrick



Todd Yoquelet David Bell





Patrick Moore Robin Reingart







Roll Call



## Class of 1981























Carla Jo Barrett Penny Bell Todd Bontrager Robert Brandes Johnny Campbell



Satisfied!!!





Not in the Hall!!





It's ME.



James Capp Cindy Carper Keith Cast Mike Catanzarite Gail Chamberlain

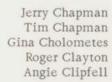
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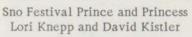










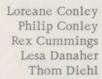




What a headache.



What girl should I ask out this week??

















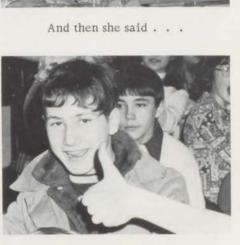






Todd Delp Rick Deubner Lisa Dexter Roger Duncan Tim D'Haese





Hey!!



Here I am!!



I wonder if there is any sawdust in this stuff?



Milk gives us energy.





















Tim Eash Connie Emerick Mat Emerick Todd Engel Dennis Evilsizor

Wayne Fergison Lisa Flood Kevin Ford Penny Ford Gordon Gann











Tim Green Michael Hedrington Trina Hershberger Shannon Hill Vicki Jo Holm





AY AY AY!!!



"To my Dearest Love . . . "

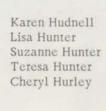






















Donna Jessie Bryan Johnson Robert Kathan Jeffery Keagle Lori Knepp

Eugenia Krepel Ronda Lamb Darcy Lee Mike Lemmerhart Melanie Lindholm

















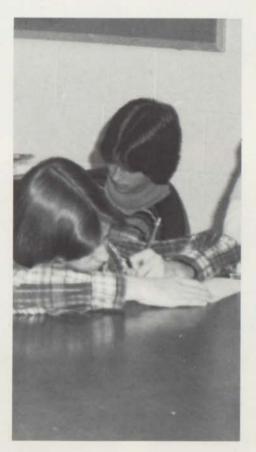




Relaxing in style.



1 + 1 = 3!!



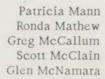
8th Grade Clan



Boy this is hard.



Hi there.



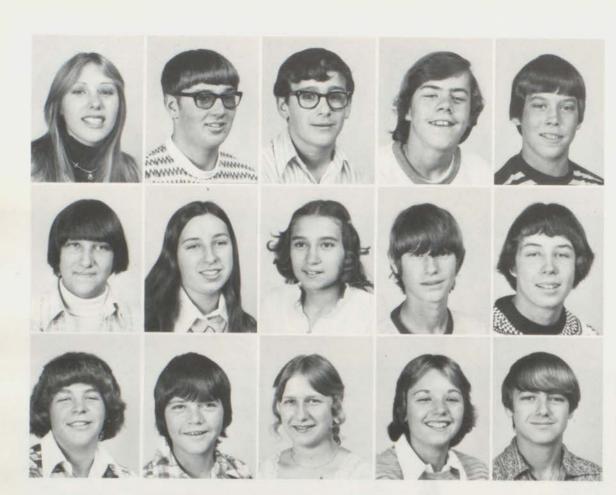












Barbara Melville Devon Miller Michael Miller Dan Moore David Morris

Raymond Mowet Lori Moyer Kimberly Neal Tim Nicholson Chris Nihart





U'mm U'mm Good!





The three stooges



Class Clowns



Starting out so young.



Look at those leggs!!



Mike Rudloff Bob Sanderson Kellie Sarver Judy Schwartz Deb Schwemer

Connie Dee Shaver Brian Smith Randy Sparklin Tony Springer Jeff Stauffer



























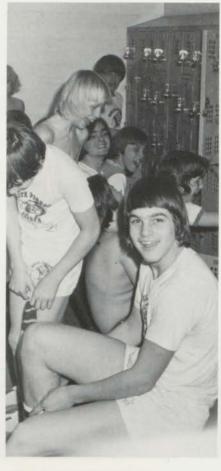




CHEESE!!



Class Studs!



Caught you with your pants down.

















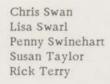








Laurie Stockwell Kip Strawser Donald Stuby Melanie Sullivan Tom Suplee

















Dave Wagner Dan Walcott Rosalyn Walker Ted Whitworth Greg Wilbur





Tom Lee Megan Macgregor



YUK



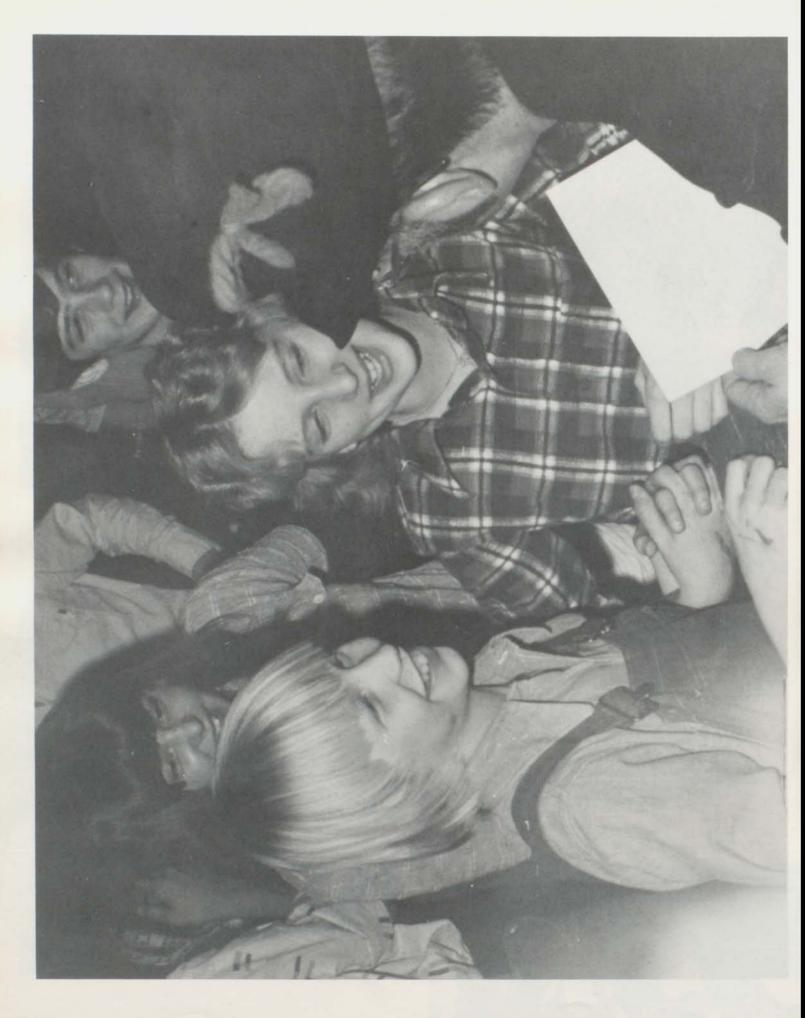
No, I didn't get in trouble.







Future WP super jocks???



April Alexander Tom Astling Lisa Bakeman Bruce Baker Todd Baldwin



















SNO PRINCE AND PRINCESS



Mrs. Martin in action



Mr. Heckleman, Math Teacher









Pat Basting Mark Bell Pete Biland Kristen Binney

Ronda Bowen Dan Boyer Kim Brooks Tammy Brown Effie Campbell















Robert Carper Timothy Cassity Todd Cast Lori Chupp Donald Church



7th Graders working hard



Mr. Miller, Science Teacher

Lisa Cline John Connelly Brantly Davis Paula Bryarly Tammie D'Haesa

























Gordy Evilsizor Rhonda Froheip Debbie Frye

Shelley Games Paul Gardner Thomas Grabe

Elizabeth Graber Robbie Griffin Toni Groves

Richard Haifley Jeff Hall Cristi Harman

Stacy Hershberger Robert Hisey Jodi Holm

Shawn Irelan Jolene Johnson Roxane Juday



High in the air!!



Smile Pretty

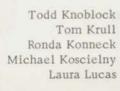
Julie Keagle Melinda Kershner Janis Kidder David Kistler Ty Klein



















John Luttman Janna Lyons







Kathy McBride Angie McCarrel











Sabrina Mabry Wendie Magill Paula Mangold Robbie Mann David Mann









Kurt Marshke Brian Mast Shirise Matson Gran Medich Jenny Miller

Tammy Miller Sherri Mills Jennifer Moore Christina Morris Danny Morris





























Don Ripplinger









Copy, Copy, Copy!!!



All this work, for just a silly grade.



I don't know what the answer is.



Quit that!!



















Tina Sassaman David Schmidt Michael Shank Liella Shelton Bill Slack

Vince Sommerlot Rick Souter Ronald Sparklin Thomas Sparrow Chris Starr

Lynette Stuck Lorie Stutsman Pat Tavernier Darlene Taylor Terry Thomas







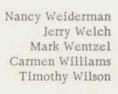












Kevin Tschupp Billy Jo Tullos Lynnie Underwood Phillip Velie Ann Ward













I wonder if this is right?



Class Clowns





Look at my ears!!!



One shoe on, one shoe off.









Susan Wittenberg Thomas Wood Lori Yoder Patricia Yoder Roger Schmidt



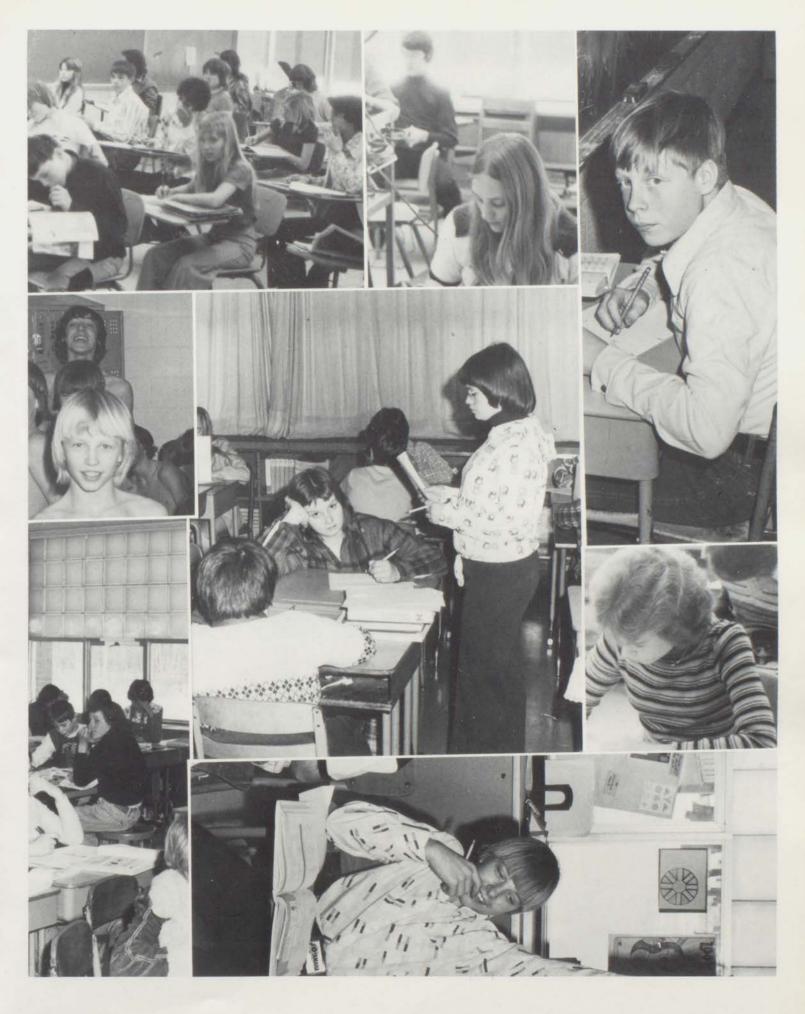




Connie Shaver Mike Moore Mary Campbell



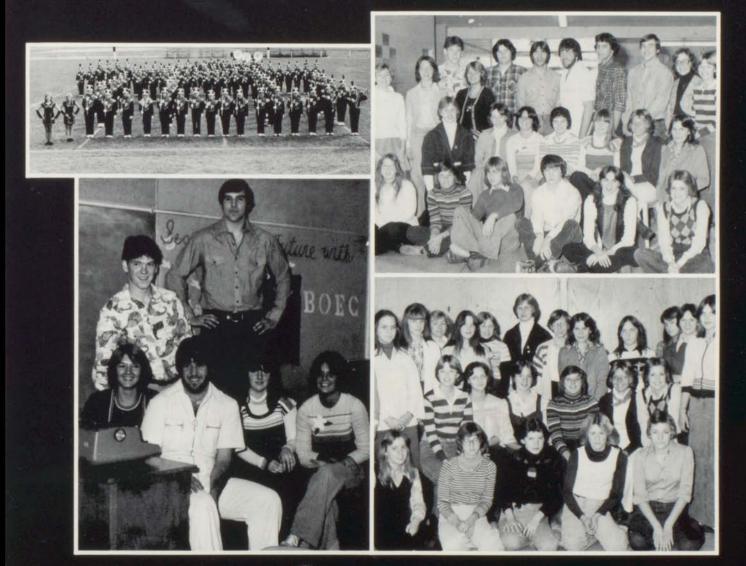






Given a chance to expand interests and pleasures, individuals were able to join various WPHS clubs to further their hobbies, skills and social development. Helping to better the individual, school, and commu-

nity, clubs provided worthwhile activities ranging from chess matches to the discussion of Sports. The fifteen different clubs offered students a chance to explore special interests.



Organizations

## Jr. and Sr. High Student Council





Darcy Weiderman, Student Council Representative.



Scott and his pop.



BACK: Darcy Weiderman, Nancy Hummel, Randy Black, Tommi Tacket, Ralph Hagner, Roxane Erbe, Rick Strawser, Becki Walcott, Ted Baker, FRONT: Barb Daniels, Cathy Mentor, Suzy Walters, Scott Moyer.





## The Leaders of Our Student Body

A. Todd Engle, Rhonda Lamb, Lori Knepp, Chris Nihart, Mr. Blue.

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C. Darcy Weiderman, Rick Strawser, Barb Daniels, Cathy Mentor, Suzy Walters, Ralph Hagner.

D. Junior High Student Council.





President of Student Council - Barb Daniels







# Ecology



I'm on my way . . . to the city life.



Just think Mr. Stanton. Seven years from now they'll be taller than you.







I've caught my game!



Take it easy next time, John.



From Left, STANDING: D. Hiner, S. Moyer, R. Cummings, J. Carr, M. Brewington, F. Burns, M. Tyree, M. Schumacher, L. Walls, G. Berchaitti, D. Slack, C. Erlandson, R. Keifer, SEATED: D. Heign, D. Hershberger, J. Hiner, J. Salisbury, J. Jackson.



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# National Honor Society

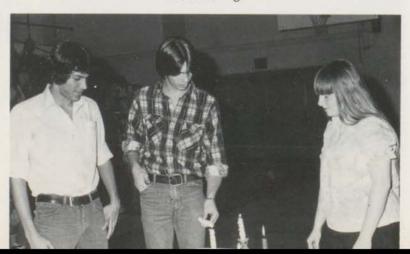


Barb Daniels, Brenda Burton, Mike Brewington, Karen Shaver, Ralph Hagner, Cathy Mentor, Connie Foreman, Jerri Bennett, Deb Flatt, Charanne Bakeman, Sondra McCormick, Suzy Walters, Cheryl Stutsman, Mrs. Outman, Chris Balyeat, Jackie Starr, Joyce Rauguth, Beth Zerbel, Kim Tucker, Carrie Erlandson, Darcy Weiderman, Jason Copenhaver, Marrianne Thompson, John Ward, Deb Taggart, Chuck Shaver, Ron Starr, Christy Shoppell, Shirley Swartz, Frank Seybert, Mike Schumacher, Steve Niblock, Judy Rex, Roxanne Logan, Karen Koscielny, Dan McCarrell, Chris Mentor, Chuck Grady, Lynelle Girton, John Diesler, Connie Fitts, Tony Cholmetes, Randy Black, Geno Berchiatti, Kevin Becktell, Randy Block, Starla Bergerson, Cindy Gasper, Rick Strawser, Scott Strawser, Steve Wagner, Cindy Bale, Joyce Anglemeyer.





How exciting!









A. What time does this thing get over? B. Don't take my picture! C. I thought we would never make it. D. N.H.S. Officers - Darcy Weiderman - Treas., Jason Copenhaver - Pres., Carrie Erlandson - Sec., Kim Tucker - V.P. E. Super Seniors. F. Sponsor Mrs. Outman.









#### Varsity Club





Now what do we do?





K. Sullivan, S. Wagner, J. Buck, D. McCarrel, C. Shaver, R. Block, R. Hagner, C. Benash, M. Mann, K. Shoppell, K. Koscielny, B. Wagner, R. Black, J. Horrell, C. Balyeat, T. Nottoli, M. Hurley, J. Starr, J. Deisler, S. Niblock, T. Saunders, S. Black, C. Groves, K. Shaver, D. Taylor, C. Bale, K. Tucker, B. Zerbel, J. Rauguth, J. Copenhaver, C. Bralick, F. Gilhams, D. Heign, R. Strawser, D. Hershberger, G. Berchaitti, D. Slack, A. Kershner.













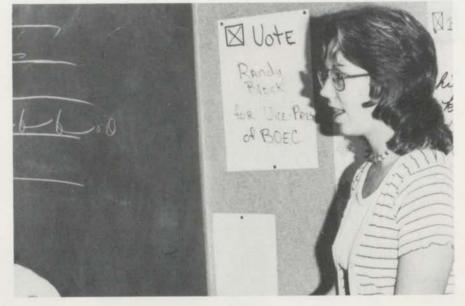
Business Office Education Club

O. E. C.









BACK: Tami Travis, Kellie Elias, Mrs. Melchi, Joyce Rauguth, Jackie Starr, Ralph Hagner, Jason Copenhaver, Brenda Burton, Chris Balyeat, Marianne Thompson, Dawn Strawser, Starla Bergerson, Jerri Bennett, Kay Airgood, Colleen Huster, Connie Foreman, Randy Block, Sondra McCormick, Suzy Walters, Jody Snyder, Kim Balyeat, Deb Yoder, Cindy Benash.





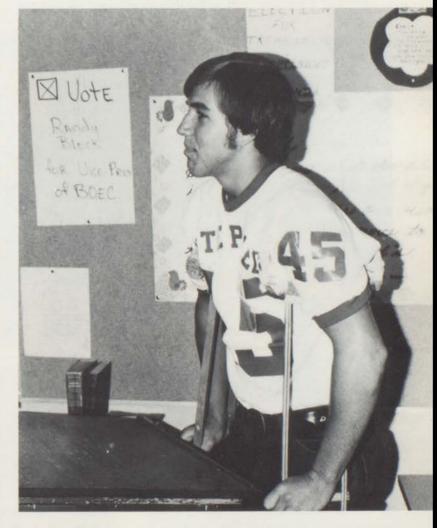
Sponsor - Mrs. Melchi







BOEC OFFICERS: Jason - Pres., Ralph - Parliamentarian, Connie - Sec., Randy - V.P., Sondra - Reporter, Brenda - Sec.



## Pep Club



Members of the 1976-77 Pep Club, an enthusiastic organization.





LEFT: Connie Foreman - Sec., LeeAnn Hunter - Decorating Chairman, Deb Heign - Pres., Sondra McCormick - Treas., Cindy Thomas - Vice-Pres.



















- A. Sweetheart Swing Chaperones.
- B. Part of the Sweetheart Swing Crowd. C. Everybody's Dancin'





# Future Homemakers of America

A DIEW HORITON







- A. Crazy FHA Officers.
- B. Senior members of FHA
- C. Don't take a picture of us.
- D. How embarrassing!!





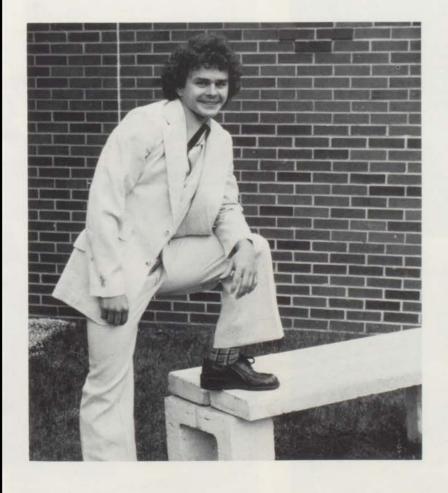




THA Style Show









#### Mat Maids



From Left: Tami Travis, Roxane Logan, Jane Whitmer, Deb Hershberger, Mary Gilhams, Gail Brandli, Anita Jackson, Betty Bottom.



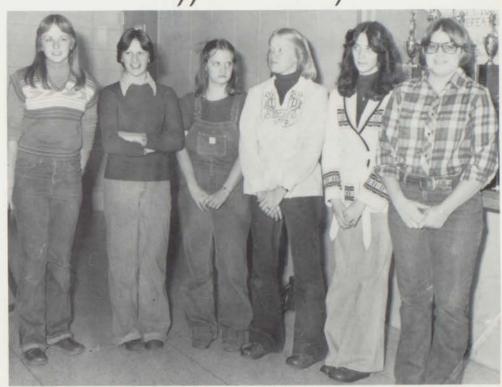








## Office Help



From Left: Shannon Games, Deb Taggart, Cindy Rhodes, Connie Fitts, Candi Strawser, Lori Cline.









#### Sr. High Band





Presenting the White Pigeon Sr. High Concert Band.



The Band has been active in marching for pre-game and half-time shows for home football games in the fall. The cold weather got to everybody, so we didn't do our last show. The ''Seniors'' put on a fun-loving, exciting show. We went to Marching Festival in Sturgis, and received a No. 1 rating. For the Christmas holiday we brought good cheer to the community by ending the Musical Sunday afternoon concert. Now we are in the process of competing in the District Festival in March.







I don't believe it, we did it!





Beat that drum, Blow that horn.









White Pigeon Marching Chiefs at the St. Joseph Co. Grange fair.



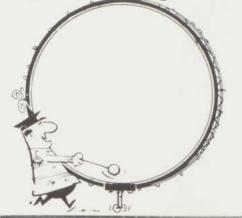


Glad that is over.





# Jr. High Band





Future flute stars of White Pigeon High School.



The Junior Band with director Donald Mort.







#### Ski Club





RIGHT, BACK ROW: C. Grady, R. Black, B. Daniels, B. Owen, J. Bennett, D. Taggart, M. Hurley, 2nd ROW: B. Deisler, R. Beggerson, B. Arbogast, C. Mentor, G. Lawson, FRONT ROW: L. Parker, D. Pillow, F. Finch, D. Gardner, T. Schaeffer, J. Snyder, S. McCorrmick, K. Shaver.



Hey, Deb, which way did they go?







#### French Club





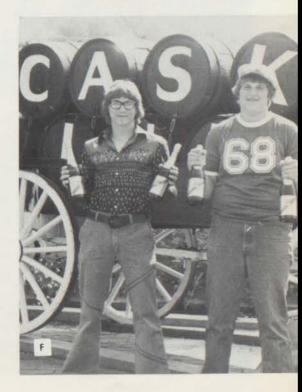






- A. Rick's Carnation
- B. French Club Officers
- C. The French Club
- D. Connie has a secret admirer.
- E. Sponsor, Mrs. Pfefferle
- F. Main reason for the visit to the vineyards.





## Youth and Government



BACK ROW: J. Copenhaver, R. Logan, C. Shaver, MIDDLE ROW: B. Zerbel, C. Lawson, D. Royce, D. Hersberger, C. Benash, D. Demeyer, FRONT ROW: R. Starr, R. Block, D. McCarrell.

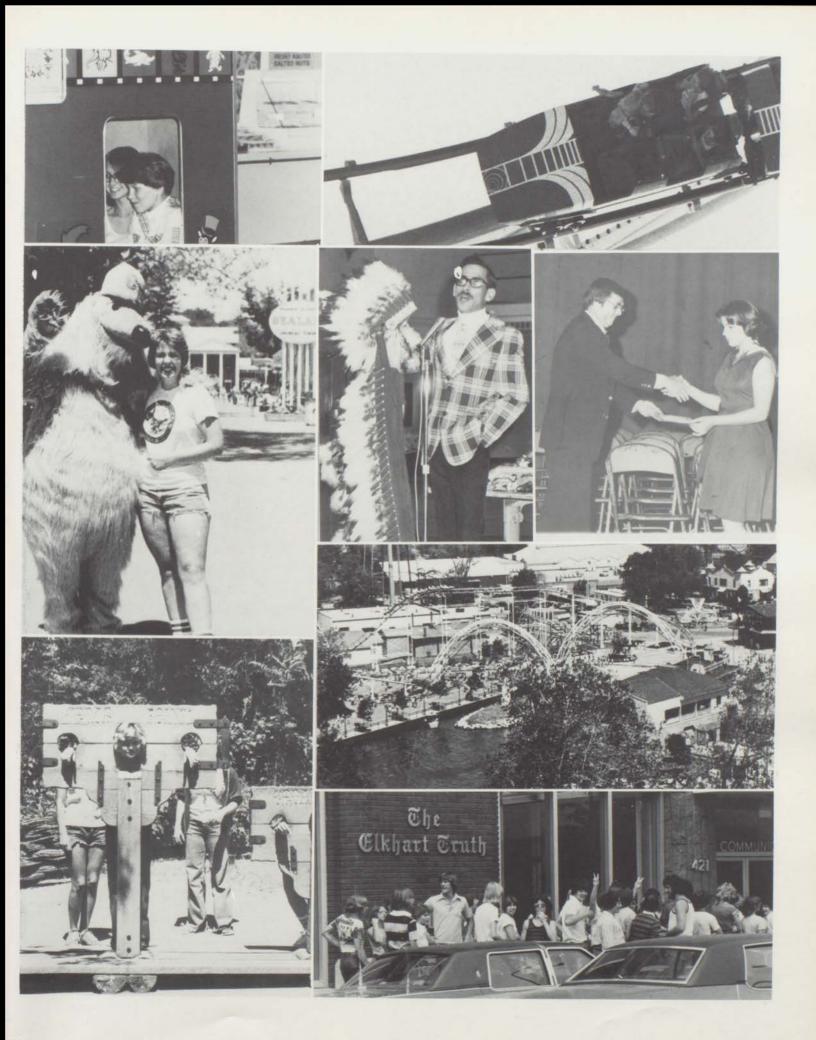














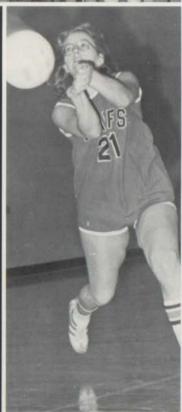


Thrilling victories and depressing defeats climaxed a year of excitement in Chief athletics. The football team showed flashes of brilliance as they won the SJV League Championship.

The wrestling team showed a fine performance this year qualifying two wrestlers for state.

The basketball team showed an outstanding performance this season with a record of 18-3. And a league record of 15-0.

Showing the Chief pride every other athlete as WPHS strived for the ultimate goal of victory.







Sports

## Girls Varsity Basketball



TOP, L to R: Tina Mahr, Arlene Astling, Tammy Wagner, Jackie Starr, Cindy Bale, Cindy Gasper, Deb Flatt, Coach Benne, Chris Bralick, Steph Black, Carolyn Chamness, Kim Tucker.



COACH: Bev Benne





Y.F D		DRES
W.P.	Edwardsburg	21-49
W.P.	Bronson	24-13
W.P.	Schoolcraft	40-30
W.P.	Climax Scott	27-20
W.P.	Centreville	41-59
W.P.	Colon	38-36
W.P.	Mendon	44-29
W.P.	Constantine	39-30
W.P.	Burr Oak	58-2
W.P.	Climax Scott	26-38
W.P.	Schoolcraft	50-30
W.P.	Centreville	36-58
W.P.	Bronson	42-46
W.P.	Colon	42-48
W.P.	Mendon	39-33
W.P.	Constantine	61-36
W.P.	Burr Oak DISTRICT	56-3
W.P.	Springfield	26-39



#### Seniors in Action

- A. Cindy Gasper B. Kim Tucker C. Deb Flatt

- D. Jackie Starr E. Chris Bralick









#### Girls JV Basketball









TOP, L to R: Julie Crist, Shannon Games, Diane Pillow, Dee Easterday, Laura Salisbury, Coach Babcock, Cindy Benash, Deb Yoder, Tommie Tackett, Ann Nottoli.



COACH: Diane Babcock









#### 7th Grade

1st ROW: Malinda Kershner, Lisa Bakeman, Janice Kidder, Lisa Cline, Shelly Games, Tony Groves, Nancy Weiderman, Lynn Stuck, Rhonda Frohriep, 2nd ROW: Angie McCarrell, Ann Ward, Laurie Chupp, Debbie Fry, Suzie Wittenberg, Robbie Griffin, Shawna Ireland, Kathy McBride, Wendy McGill, Diane Randall, CENTER BACK: Coach, Cal Hackman.





#### 8th Grade

1st ROW: Trina Hershberger, Rhonda Rodwick, Angie Clipfell, Gina Cholmetes, Sherry Thompson, Lisa Danaher, 2nd ROW: Jill Tucker, Chris Swann, Melony Sullivan, Kelly Sarver, Lisa Todd, Denise Pillow, Trisha Perkins, Coach: Cal Hackman.



#### Golf



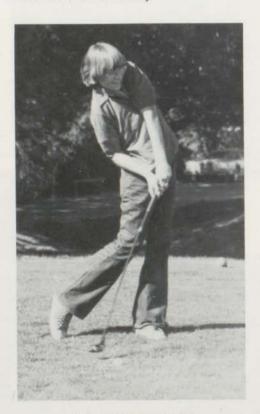
Chuck with a chip shot



Geno Berchaitti, Tim Saunders, Al Kershner, Mr. Bale, Steve Tavernier, Craig Bakeman, Chuck Grady.



FOUR!!



Al with his best swing



Coach Bale





Ted setting up his shot.



Tim at his best.



Craig lining up his putt.



Ted Krull, Ted Baker, Danny Saunders, Mr. Bale, Tim Bontrager, Barry Lutz, Jesse Salisbury, Eric Kistler.



Danny taking aim.



Head Coach Ned Bale

		VARSITY				RESERVE	
WP	182	Schoolcraft	191	WP	202	Schoolcraft	226
WP	168	Mendon	213	WP	184	Mendon	260
WP	169	Mendon	193	WP	187	Mendon	224
WP	184	Constantine	197	WP	199	Constantine	229
WP	172	Schoolcraft	172	WP	184	Schoolcraft	196
WP	172	Eau Claire	181	WP	210	Climax Scott	258
WP	187	Climax Scott	187	WP	182	Constantine	229
WP	167	Constantine	181	WP	182	Schoolcraft	189
WP	167	Schoolcraft	165	WP	192	Climax Scott	238
WP	181	Climax Scott	194	WP	195	Constantine	242
WP	175	Constantine	201	WP	206	Schoolcraft	210
WP	172	Dowagiac	182		Re	eserve Record 11-0	
WP	166	Mendon	248				
	Va	rsity Record 15-3					

#### Girls Varsity Volleyball



KNEELING: Colleen Huster, Marianne Thompson, Kristi Shoppel, Shirley Schwartz, Stephanie Black, STANDING: Coach Brokaw, Mgr. Kathy Koscielny, Chris Mentor, Brenda Burton, Kim Tucker, Cindy Gasper, Mgr. Nancy Hummel.









Coach Gayle Brokaw

#### JV Volleyball









KNEELING: Diane Pillow, Lisa Cholometes, Denise Schumacher, Brenda Bates, Deb Yoder.

STANDING: Mgr. Kathy Koscielny, Tina Mahr, Cindy Benash, Deb Flatt, Chris Bralick, Laura Neilson, Becky Walcott, Mgr. Nancy Hummel.

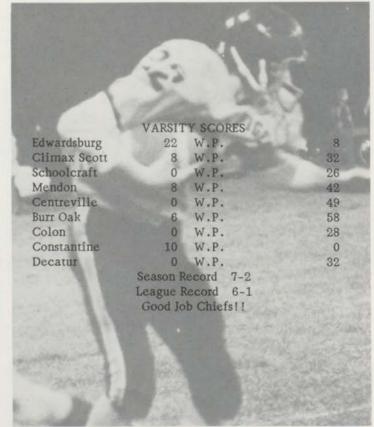


#### Varsity Football'76

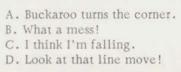


BACK ROW, LEFT: Tom Nottoli, Rick Hodgson, Dave Baechler, Ralph Hagner, John Ward, Steve Niblock, Cliff Haack, Randy Block, Jason Copenhaver, Joe Rauguth, Jeff Baechler, Mike Schumacher, Rich Hedrington, Kevin Becktell, Keith Harris, John Buck, FRONT: Bob Deisler, Alan Smith, Don Schwemer, Tim Hostetler, Randy Black, Nick Todd, Scott Trout, Dave Harman, Tony Cholometes, Brad Evilsizor, Bill Brosson, Robert Astling, Frank Seybert, Rick Strawser.



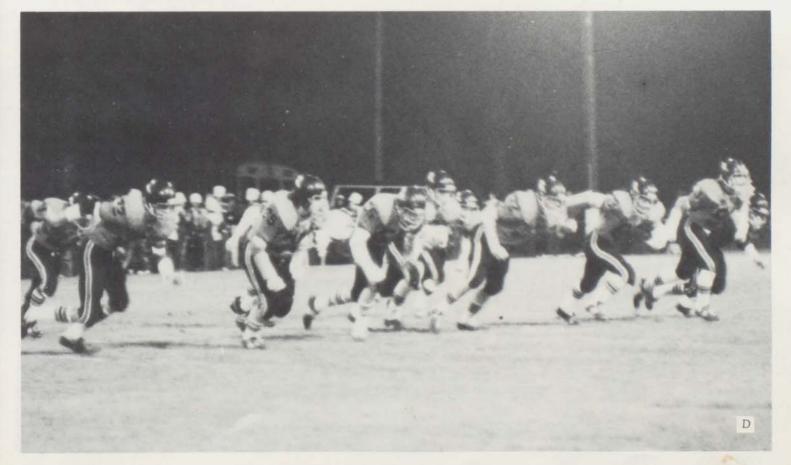












#### Seniors





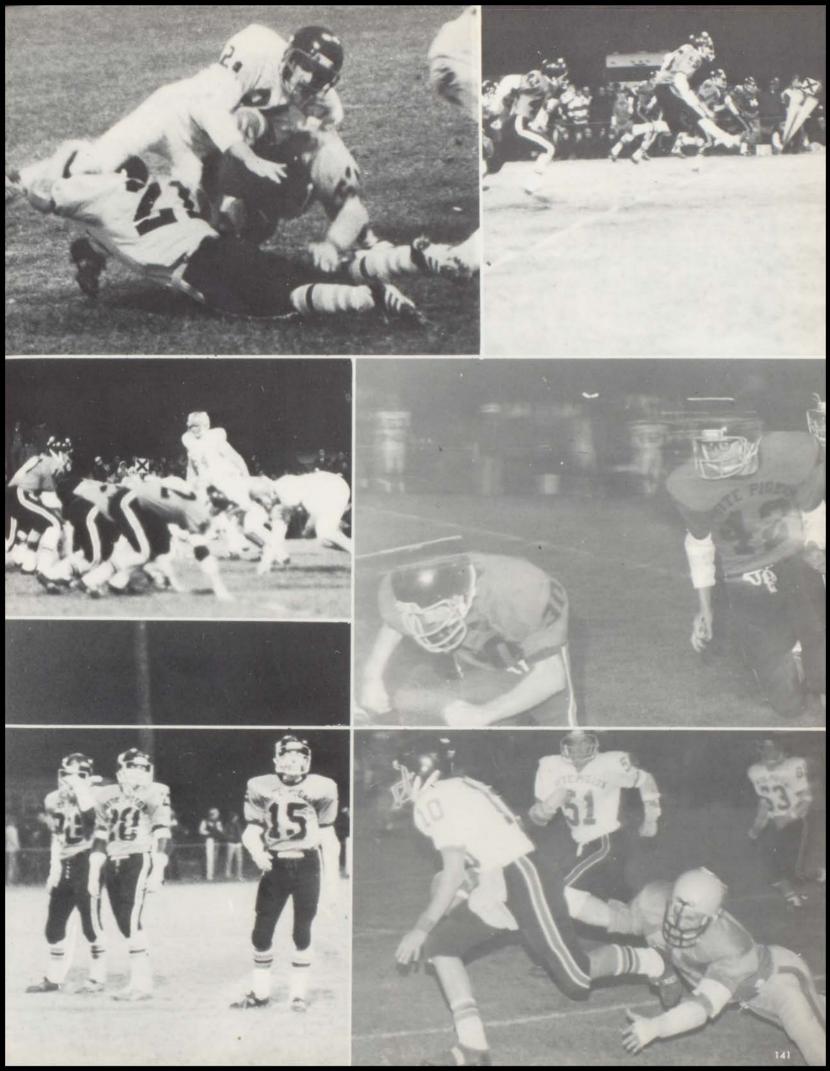
Senior Members of the 1976-77 football team from left: Cliff Haack, Ralph Hagner, Scott Trout, Dave Baechler, John Buck, Keith Harris, Randy Block, Brad Evilsizor, Rick Strawser, Jason Copenhaver, Nick Todd, ABSENT: Davie Harman.

## All-Conference





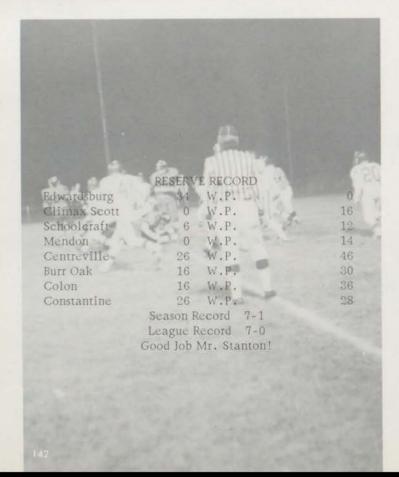
ALL CONFERENCE, LEFT: Dave Harman, Rick Strawser, Ralph Hagner, Keith Harris, Steve Niblock, Cliff Haack, John Buck.



### Reserve Football'76



BACK, LEFT: Coach Stanton, Kevin Sullivan, Jeff Cast, Scott Copenhaver, Bob Wagner, Mike Stutsman, Bill Owen, Craig Outman, Jerry Bennett, Mark Hurley, Greg Brewington, Vann Weiderman, Curt Powell, Joe Astling, Dan Gest, John Owens, Gary Shoppell, Jeff Russell, David Ford, Greg Comstock, Dale Miller, Coach Smith, FRONT: Mike Nihart, Mark Stears, Tony Catanzarite, Carl Sassaman, Lester Graber, Jeff Dickerhoof, Nick Hayes, Dean Hill, Dave Bell, Bryan Strang.

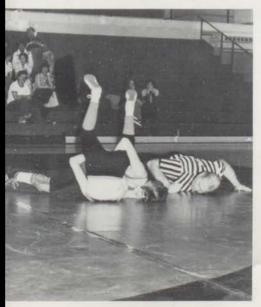




## Varsity Wrestling

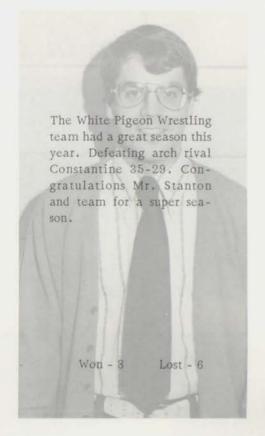


BACK: Greg Brewington, Merel Hoard, Dave Harman, Dave Baechler, Vann Weiderman, Curt Powell, Frank Seybert, Glen Block, Bryan Strang, Lewis Hummel, Jim Perkins, Dave Baker, Jim Taylor.





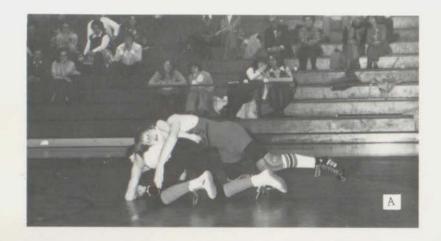
MANAGERS: Wayne Fergerson and Eddie Hummel



In the hall action.

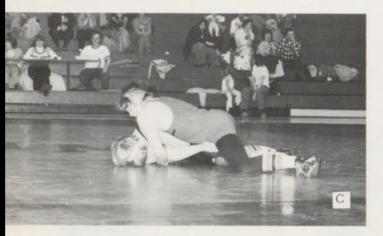


### Jeam in Action



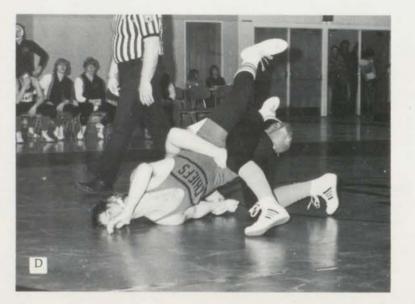


- A. Vann on the move.
- B. Wendell doing his reverse.
  C. Merel turning his opponent over.





- D. Dave Fighting for control. E. Harman in control. F. PIN, PIN, PIN.





### State Men



OUR STATE MEN: Frank Seybert, Coach Stanton, and Wendell Bowen.



A. SENIORS: Merel Hoard, and Dave Harman.

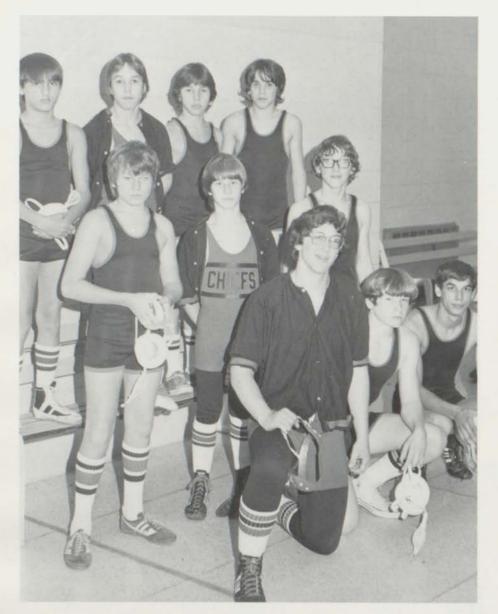
B. White Pigeon Mat Maids
C. COACHES: Mike Wozneil, Dennis Stanton, Darryl Smith.

D. Gail Brandli at her best?!?!?

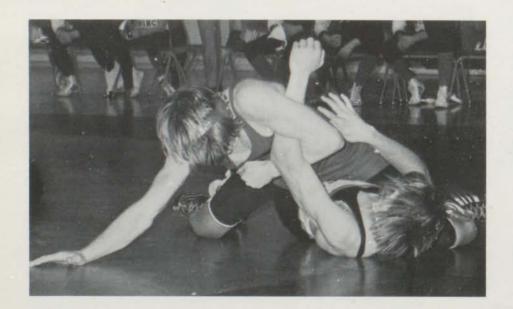




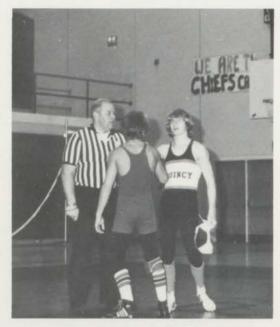




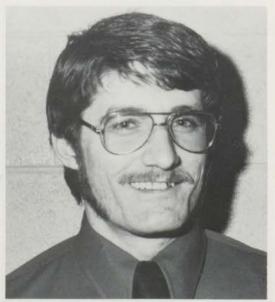
BACK: Kirk Foreman, Pat Moore, Ron Schmittendorf, Jeff Todd, Wendell Bowen, Mike Baker, Joe Rauguth, Ted Baker, Harold Mann.



# J.V. Wrestling



It's finally over!!



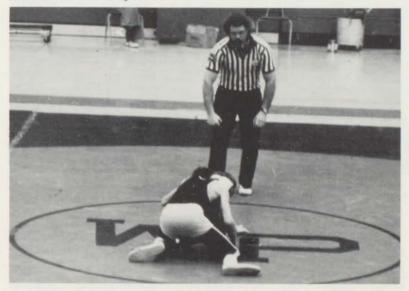
Coach Smith



Ir. High Wrestling

Kip Strawser, Dan Walcott, Glen McNamara, Tom Lee, Randy Sparklin, Ted Whitworth, 2nd ROW: Jeff Hall, Mike Catanzarite, Mat Emerick, Tad Loyer, KNEELING: Bruce Baker and Wayne Fergison, MISSING: Tim Chapman, Rick Deubner, and Ron Sparklin.

"Medalists"





White Pigeon	60	Cassopolis	21
White Pigeon	32	Vicksburg	18
White Pigeon	29	Edwardsburg	45
White Pigeon	41	Eau Claire	29
White Pigeon	35	Three Rivers	38
White Pigeon	42	Three Rivers	33
White Pigeon	35	Constantine	42
White Pigeon	27	Three Rivers	60
White Pigeon	33	Constantine	48

# Varsity Basketball 76-77



BACK ROW: J. Copenhaver, S. Wagner, C. Shaver, J. Horrell, F. Buck, R. Hagner, J. Ward, FRONT ROW: R. Strawser, J. Deisler, S. Niblock, T. Cholometes, G. Berchaitti, J. Buck, Mgr. R. Terry.

7.P.	64	Lawton	39		W.P.	54	Colon	41
1.P.	41	Northridge	73		W.P.	51	Hudson	63
/.P.	73	Constantine	63		W.P.	73 NUS	Centreville	52
7.P.	58	Climax-Scotts	48					
/.P.	74	Mendon	62		District T	'ourney		
7.P.	63	Schoolcraft	49					
7.P.	77	Athens	47		W.P.	61	Mattawan	47
.P.	65	Galesburg-Augusta	49	2 3	W.P.	61	Cassopolis	74
.P.	73	Burr Oak	53	<b>4 3</b>	4			
7.P.	64	Colon	38		SJV 13-0		ALC: N	
7.P.	72	Centreville	60		Final Rec	ord 18-31	OX	
7.P.	70	Constantine	57		11.222.2	27 2 25022	3213	
7.P.	77	Climax-Scotts	49					
/.P.	67	Schoolcraft	56				**	
7.P.	81	Burr Oak	43					
7.P.	72	Plainwell	58					





### Stalwart Seniors

- A. Jason Copenhaver B. John Buck
- C. Ralph Hagner
  D. Steve Wagner
  E. Rick Strawser

- F. Coach Pete Jarrad

















# S.J.V. Champs 13-0





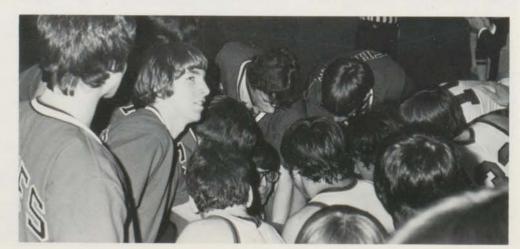
















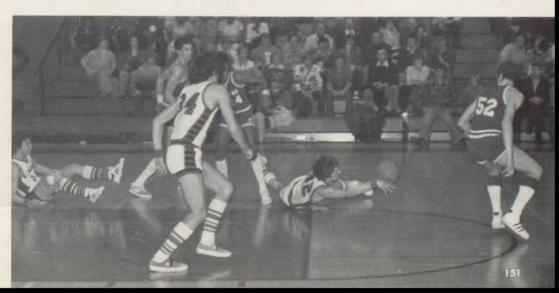












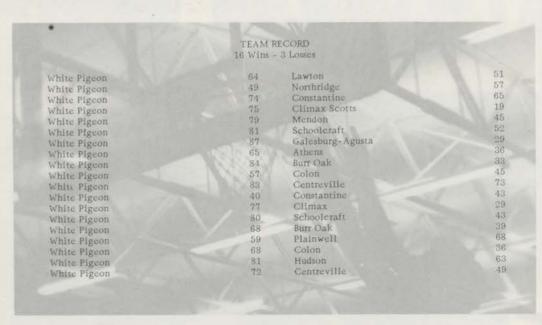
# JV Basketball



BACK ROW, STANDING: Coach Schnieder, Jeff Cast, Kevin Sullivan, Scott Copenhaver, Craig Bakeman, Fred Buck, Rick Hodgson, Jeff Baechler, and Craig Outman, KNEELING: Mike Mann, Jesse Salisbury, Ted Krull, Randy Miller, Robert Wagner, and Tim Miller.















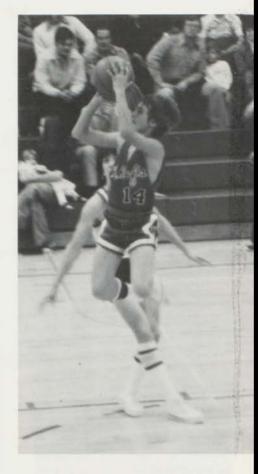








	TEAM REC	CORD 13-2	
White Pigeon	62	Lawton	31
White Pigeon	60	Constantine	46
White Pigeon	64	Climax-Scotts	36
White Pigeon	66	Mendon	36
White Pigeon	60	Schoolcraft	27
White Pigeon	59	Hillside	56
White Pigeon	44	Bronson	42
White Pigeon	59	Colon	52
White Pigeon	39	Centreville	56
White Pigeon	62	Constantine	34
White Pigeon	53	Climax	28
White Pigeon	59	Schoolcraft	52
White Pigeon	44	Sturgis	55
White Pigeon	59	Colon	50
White Pigeon	29	Centreville	25









 $\mathcal{F}$   $\mathcal{B}$   $\mathcal{F}$   $\mathcal{B}$   $\mathcal{F}$   $\mathcal{F}$ 

STANDING: Manager Danny Hill, Greg Comstock, Randy Garn, Dan Gest, Mike Nihart, Dean Boyer, Gerald Pratt, Randy Arnett, Jerry Wolgamood, and Coach West, KNEELING: Mike Cline, Barry Lutz, Joel Conley, John Heckman, Nick Hayes, Tim Bontrager, Kent Bakeman, Dean Hill, and Eric Kistler.



#### 7th Grade Basketball

STANDING: Coach Bill Miller, Billy Slack, David Schmidt, Pete Biland, Dan Boyer, Tim Wilson, Rick Souter, Todd Knoblock, Chris Starr, KNEELING: Rob Hisey, Donald Church, Tom Sparrow, Mike Koscielny, Steve Dimos, Pat Bastings, Gordie Evilsizor, SITTING: Dan Morris, Tom Krull, Tony Nottoli, Vince Somerlott, David Kistler, Paul Gardner, Kit Bassett.

#### 8th Grade

STANDING: David Morris, Scott Logan, Brett Outman, Jeff Stauffer, Tim Nicholson, Tim D'haese, Rex Cummings, Donald Stuby, Coach Cal Hackman, KNEELING: Kenny Airgood, Mike Lemmerhart, Keith Cast, Todd Bontrager, Dave Wagner, Brian Smith, Mgr. Eric Hackman.







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This one's for you!!!









BOYS TRACK TEAM: L to R, FROM FRONT: B. Wagner, D. Baker, D. Slack, J. Connelly, K. Backman, K. Bectell, R. Black, Mgr. B. Baker, 2nd ROW: S. Snyder, L. Graber, G. Comstock, F. Seybert, M. Altine, J. Buck, D. Royce, BACK ROW: V. Weiderman, T. Miller, F. Gilliams, C. Shaver, M. Nihart, M. Hurley, C. Outman, M. Mann, K. Sullivan and Coach Mark Granning.











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GIRLS TRACK TEAM: L to R, FROM FRONT: Coach B. Benne, D. Pillow, S. Black, L. Graber, 2nd ROW: D. Taylor, C. Bralick, C. Bale, S. Hayes, L. Cholometes, K. Koscielny, A. Nottoli, BACK ROW: B. Lamb, J. Mitchell, K. Shoppell, S. Studabacker, A. Astling, C. Chamness, C. Benash, and C. Gasper.







White Pigeon	51	Sturgis	84
White Pigeon	112	Schoolcraft	7
White Pigeon	98	Constantine	38
White Pigeon	94	Cassopolis	41
White Pigeon	96.5	Burr Oak	38.5
White Pigeon	70.5	Centreville	65.5
White Pigeon	81 1/9	Climax	53 3/4
White Pigeon	63	Colon	73
13 MARIE 13	Wins: 6	Lost:2	
Windsown Michigan			

Wins: 6
Western Michigan
Bronson Invitational
Barrien Springs
Southwestern College
Invitational
Regional
Freshman-Sophomore Meet
League Meet

Lisa Cholometes Karen Koscielny Kristi Shoppell











	k Records Set in	0.1977
EVENT	RECORD	RECORD HOLDER
High Jump	4'9"	Shelly Hayes
Shot Put	34 1/2	Cindy Gasper
100 Yard Dash	11.8	Lisa Cholometes
220 Yard Dash	27.1	Lisa Cholometes
110 Yard Hurdles	16.5	Steph Black
Discus	87/11 秀	Arlene Astling
	"PC-71 - SEC. 1957"	AS A TRUBE GROWN TO SERVICE THE PROPERTY OF TH





### Cross Country



The 1976-77 Cross Country Team



Coach Jarrad



FROM LEFT: Dianna Taylor, Coach Jarrad, Karen Shaver, Christi Shoppell.



FROM LEFT BACK: Coach Jarrad, Ron Starr, Tim Miller, Dave Slack, Fred Gilhams, Steve Wagner, FRONT: Steve Snyder, Kent Bakeman, Ernest Neal, Chuck Shaver.



MIGHTY SENIORS: Steve Wagner, Karen Shaver, Fred Gilhams, Coach Jarrad.











### Reserve Baseball

From Left, FRONT: Tim Bontrager, Randy Fisher, Barry Lutz, Wendell Bowen, Jessie Salisbury, Mike Engel, Glen Block, BACK, From Left: Quince Bontrager, James Sanford, Curt Powell, Ed Tyree, Danny Saunders, Jerry Wolgamood, Danny Gest, Robert Becktell, Randy Laws, Ed Rentfrow, Dean Hill.

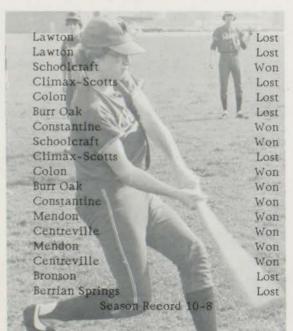




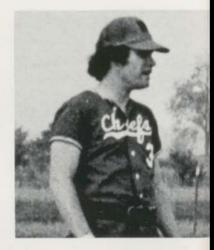
Left to Right, BACK TO FRONT: Randy Schwartz, Mgr., Cal Hackman - coach, Jeff Cast, Mike Tyree, John Ward, Tim Saunders, Geno Bercaitti, John Hiner, Bob Astling, Craig Bakeman, Steve Wagner, Tony Kistler, Jeff Engel, Tom Nottoli, Brad Evilsizor.



## Varsity Baseball









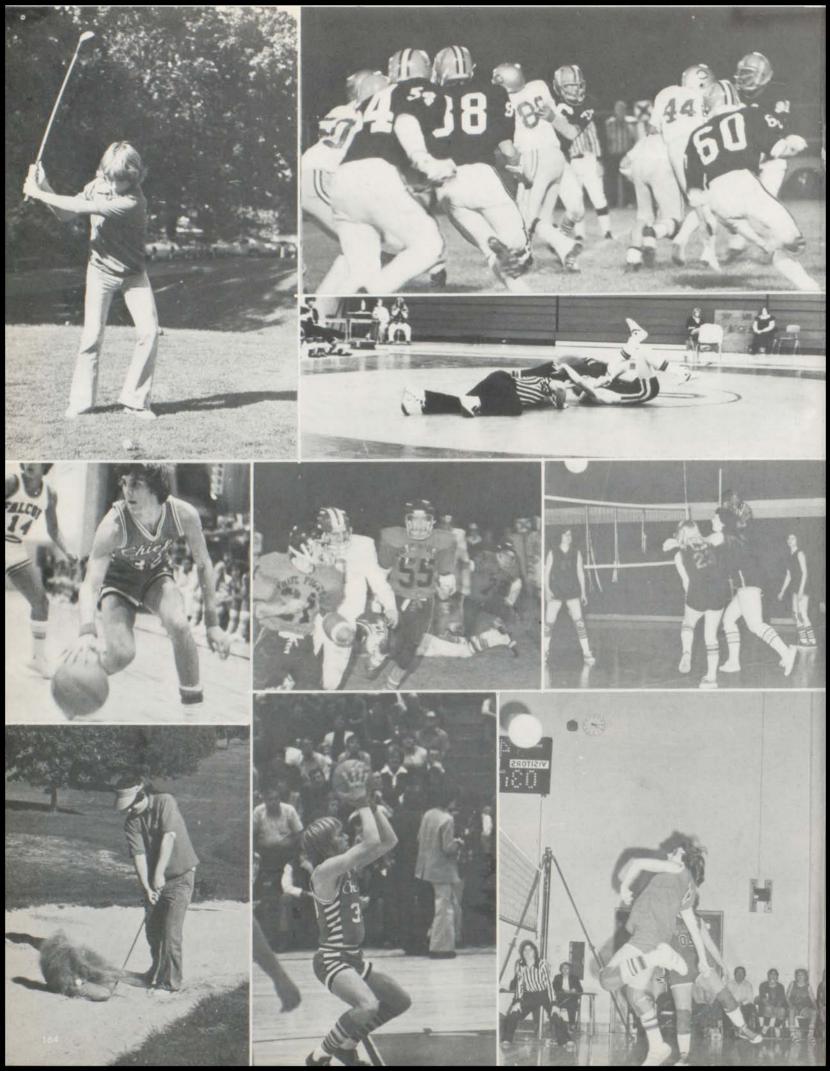


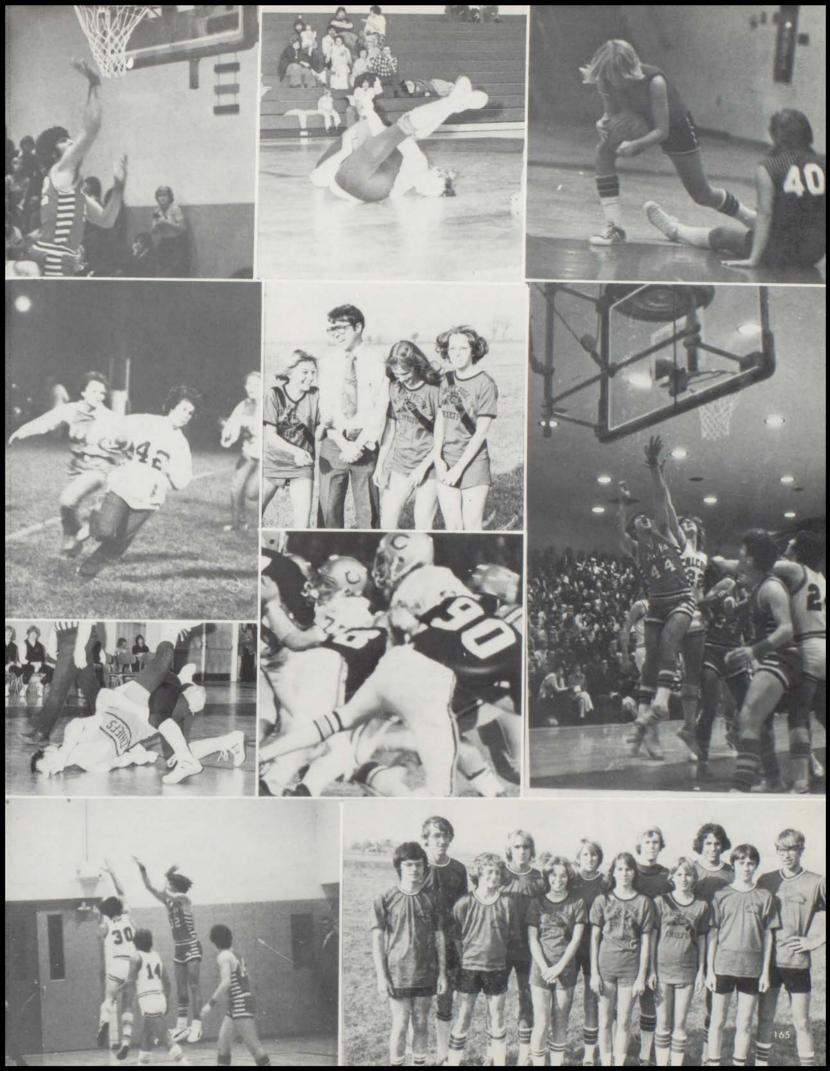














Badly defined, activities were the events and happenings that students took part in as they rambled around the campus outside of actual class time. For many students, activities took leisure time before school. Other students used their lunch time effectively. Some activities involved all students. Such were elections and pep rallies. And also, all the sport activities, that involved the whole community. In fact, you might say, activities were the "fun and games" around school. It was only through the sharing of ourselves that these activities met with the success that they did.





Activities

### Varsity and Junior

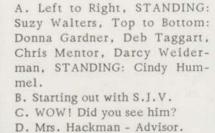
















# Varsity Cheerleaders

Although our school isn't As big as some We like to think of it as Number one. The cheerleaders and the Pep Club all agree We've got the best school in History. The players that fight to Win each game, Well . . . there's really too Many to name.

But if no one helps and shows No might We won't have anything left So let's take our spirit and Show our pride. To let everyone know we're On White Pigeon's side. So with all the help from Everyone, Our school will always be NUMBER ONE.











E. Left to Right, STANDING: Joni Busz, Top to Bottom: Denise Hill, Chris McBride, Roxanne Erbe, Angela Springer, STANDING: Cora Underwood. G. Another Pep Assembly? H. One more time Chris and

### Freshman Cheerleaders





Mrs. Bontrager - Advisor



Bases - Monica Rodwick, Lori Irelan, Top to Bottom: Gina Lawson, Cathy Heign, Janee Rex, Brenda Lamb.

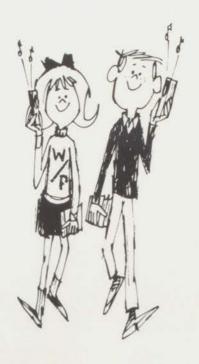






A Star is Hatched.

## Junior High Cheerleaders





LEFT TO RIGHT: Nancy Weiderman, Rhonda Froheip, Shelly Games, Wendie Magill, Dianne Randall, Mrs. Chupp, Cheerleading advisor, Kelly Eggleston, Rhonda Lamb, Cathy McBride, Lori Knepp, Rhonda Rodwick, Susuan Taylor, Lisa Todd.











1976 Homecoming Queen Barb Daniels and escort Mike Brewington



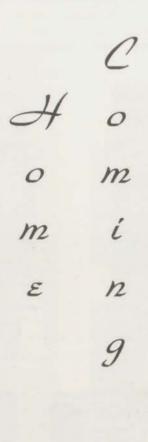
Caryn Cast crowning the new queen, Barb Daniels.





A. Captain Copenhaver kisses Queen Daniels.

B. At the Homecoming Dance, Barb Daniels and Eric Eggleston.







The new 1976 Homecoming queen Barb Daniels.



Brenda Burton, Deb Holt, 1976 Queen, Barb Daniels, 1975 Queen, Caryn Cast, Chris Mentor, Lisa Cholometes, Janee Rex.



Queen's Attendants, John Bennett and Brenda Burton.



Queen's Attendants, Chuck Spiker and Deb Holt.



1975 Homecoming Queen, Caryn Cast and escort Jeff Cast.



Junior Attendant, Chris Mentor and escort Chuch Shaver.



Sophomore Attendant Lisa Cholometes and escort Kevin Sullivan.

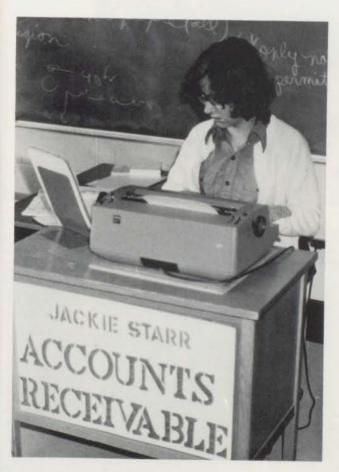


Freshman Attendant, Janee Rex and escort Dan Gest.

# Lester Hill Corporation



Jerri busy at work for Lester Hill.



Jackie doing what she does best.



Randy Block - General Manager?



Sondra and Ralph taking a break.











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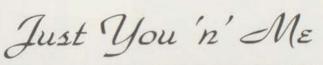




















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A. Mr. Sibery and opening ceremonies.
B. Now what am I going to say?
C. Mr. Schneider giving his awards.
D. Mrs. Buck reading her poem.
E. Mr. Stanton doing what he does best!!



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# Winter Sports Banquet

















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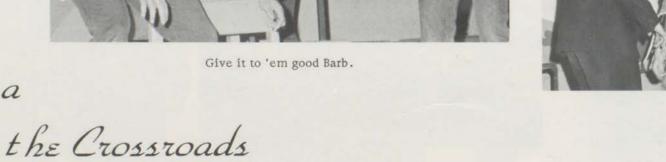


Give it to me THIR!



The war is over.





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Oh Joy, oh rapture!



Dan McCarrell DRUNK??



. . . and then he fled.



Mr. Martin demonstrating his theatrical ability.







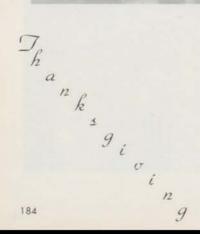


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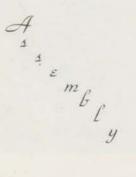


LEFT: Connie and Joyce RIGHT: Kandy playing her best BELOW LEFT: Father Tellers, Rev. Dan Walcott, Albert Abbott, Merla Abbott, Rev. Brandli.









# Special Assemblies



Steve and Mr. Crisler at Yearbook assembly



The formal dress for White Pigeon High School.





The Scottish couple.



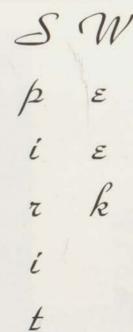
HOWDY!!







A. Mm Good
B. Hurry Roxy
C. Seniors won!!!









## Exchange Students



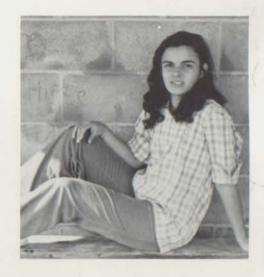
#### KATHRIN GATYS

Kathrin came from Wolfburg, Germany. She stayed at White Pigeon for  $2\frac{1}{2}$  months and moved to Grand Rapids.

She was very active in art, and very good at it. She also was in the Yearbook class.

VALERIA MATTOS Valeria was born in Brazil and lived there for 17 years.

She is staying at our school for 6 months. She is studying to be a Chemist Engineer. She is also interested in Crafts and is good at this.







# Pep Assemblies



















# Sweetheart Swing



FROM LEFT: Kim Sullivan and father, Belinda Arbogast and Craig Outman, Cindy Benash and Randy Black, Cindy Thomas and Dan Royce, Starla Bergerson and Tim Hostetler, Deb Heign and Jay Nihart.



Beyond the Darkness entertains the Sweetheart Swing.



Another student and teacher relationship??









White Pigeon High School teachers constantly strived for perfection trying to reach that unattainable height of becoming the master instructor while imparting the final wisp of knowledge from the depths of their souls. The White Pigeon teachers never quit probing our minds for new ideas. We learned something new every day, forever changing our perspective, forever watching the distant horizon.



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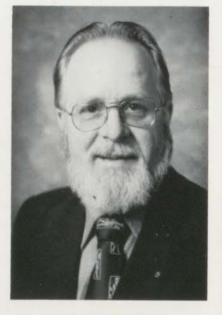
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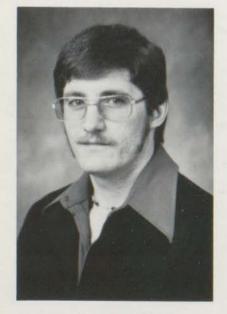


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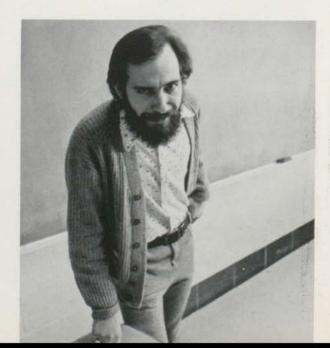
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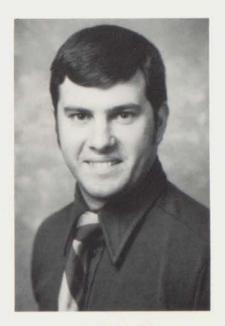


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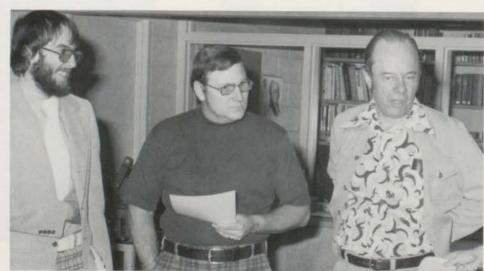


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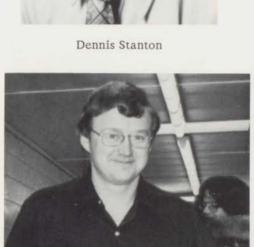


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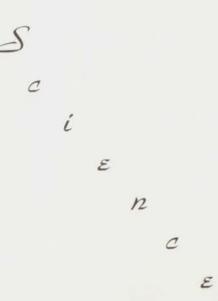








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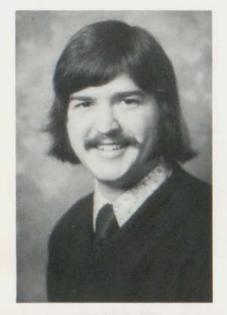
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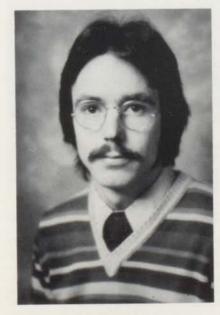


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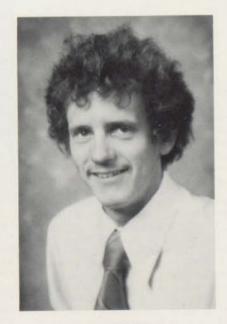




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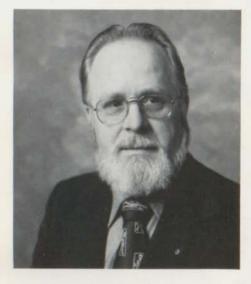
Much Criticism has been made about the quality of education in American Public Schools today.

What is your reaction to this?

Probably the criticism that Public Schools are not doing the job they were designed to do is justifiable - but then that original charter no longer obtains or at least not to the same extent, Reorganization and rededication has been the obvious solution since the notorious "Generation of the 60's." The system is long overdue for an overhauling.

To begin with, compulsory education is an anachronism. The need to keep teenagers off the streets and out of the labor market no longer exists as it did in the early days of Mann and Dewey.

Modern technological fields are such that we can't begin to keep up with their omnivorous



demands for more and more vocationally proficient, career oriented, consumer wise bodies. The day of the craftsman is truly waning, but worse still is the grievous fact that we have fallen heir - thru negligence - to a generation of ambivalent souls who can't read or write adequately upon graduation.

Of course over-reaction is as much at fault as having done nothing. The 50's and 60's bore this out. What's called for is enlightened, pragmatic, concerted effort on the part of all involved in the educational delivery system to the end that "schoolin" once again is a profitable, meaningful, experience.

Twenty years ago when I went back to college to complete an English major and to take the education courses required for me to be licensed as a secondary school teacher, I had many misgivings as to whether I could be a good teacher. It seemed to me, then, that the American people expected a great deal from the schools. Twenty years later, it seems to me that they demand even more for their tax dollars.

The present day concensus is that the primary function of the schools is to teach the basics, the three R's - reading, writing, and arithmetic. It doesn't matter whether the students have the ability or the motivation to learn these three subjects; we are to teach them to ALL children, anyway. We are also to instruct them in history,



civics, and government, so that they will be good citizens and educated members of the electorate. Physical education and health courses should provide them with sound, agile bodies. and knowledge of personal hygiene and nutrition to help them keep fit. Every student should have access to art, music, and literature. These provide an introduction to culture and may provide a basis for later vocational or recreational pursuits. Those who are going on to college should be prepared in depth in English, Math, science, language, and history. Those who are going on to a vocational school or who go immediately into the job market should be provided with preparatory or even salable skills in such areas as the automotive field, woodworking, construction, drafting, business or commercial, and home economics. Both boys and girls should be prepared to be good home makers, cooks, nutritionists, and mothers and fathers

However, the obligation of the schools does not end with leading ALL young people to the fount of wisdom and "making" them drink, regardless of whether they can or want to learn. Because of the breakdown of the family unit, the school is often expected to take the place of a home or of home training - to listen, to counsel, to understand, and to help - to be a surrogate mother and father - to discipline with firmness and wisdom. Some schools in the inner cities are even compelled, by law, to serve breakfasts to their students. Breakfast and lunch at school may be the only meals that some of these children get.

There is still another area in which the schools are expected to function. I refer to the clarification and instilling of values. Both the home and the church used to assume some responsibility for character building. They defined "sin." pointed out both the idealism and practicality of the Christian way of life, encouraged the development of honesty, loyalty, integrity, self-discipline, and, in general, saw to the moral and spiritual well being of children and youth. But very few young people go to Sunday School or church any more, and their exposure to Christian education is of the "hit or miss" variety. The schools do what they can, in such courses as Family Living, sociology, and literature to stress ethics, morality, and the development of good character traits, but this instruction is often classified as "academic" in the minds of the students, and its relevance is discounted.

So what kind of a job is being done by our schools? Generally speaking, I would say they are doing well. However, they could do better. For one thing, we need to get rid of the concept that all students in the public schools should be taught the same things in the same way. Students are individuals, with individual abilities, motivations, and needs. When they reach the age of fourteen, they should have access to several avenues of education - alternative schools should be provided - apprenticeships, on-the-job training, vocational and trade schools, junior colleges, colleges, and professional schools. Families need to do a better job of shouldering their responsibilities - to provide stability, security, love, understanding, and guidance. Churches need to be more aggressive in providing interesting and attractive Christian education programs. They need to seek out young people, to invite them, to provide warmth and assurance, to answer questions, to define sin and inhumanity, to give shape to what is amorphous, and minister to sickness of the spirit.

If we stopped expecting the schools to be all things to all people; if the family would do its job; and if the church would assume its responsibility - then perhaps the school, in the new definition of its responsibilities, could do a more creditable job.

I think in many cases, we as educators, have strayed away from the basic fundamentals of education. We have a tendency to specialize in certain areas of curriculum instead of assuring students of the basic educational needs. More emphasis needs to be placed on practicality. Subject matter must relate more to preparing students for life, not necessarily for college. One



aspect of education which has really helped has been the increased interest in and implementation of Vocational Career Education. These programs really provide the needed preparation of careers and jobs for students.

The two greatest problems though, which really hinder the quality of education are: 1) money and 2) crowded classrooms. There must be a better way to provide needed monies for school

systems than by property taxes. This is too great a burden for the average taxpayer. So, unfortunately, education really suffers. Programs and curriculums are thus eliminated. And without question, needed facilities are not being built. In many systems, teachers have over 35 students in a classroom. This makes education for ALL, almost an impossibility. Therefore, sometimes students "slide by" without getting the individual instruction which is so imperative to their proper learning.

The low achiever suffers because special education classes are eliminated. And the high achievers are not given the opportunity to challenge their intellectual capabilities.

Sometimes, I really question the need of 'compulsory education' to the age of 16. Why force them to attend? Time would be better spent with those who really CARE in getting an education. I believe it should be compulsory for elementary students because these are their formative years and their attitudes towards education can change.

As citizens and educators, we must set our priorities to make sure that we offer the best quality of education possible for our people.

#### QUALITY OF EDUCATION?

Quality of Education would seem more important than Quantity. Everything in our society has changed drastically in the past two decades. During this period "Quantity" seems to have taken precedence over "Quality."

Students today have a more varied education than in anytime in history. They are knowledge-



able on more subjects and world affairs than ever before. Television is responsible for much of this. But, while children are watching television, they cannot at the same time be learning to read.

In many of our modern schools, extra curricular activities almost overshadow academic work.

So, if we are looking for explanations for the decline of College Board scores, perhaps we need not look much further than the amount of time students spend on reading and math.

I have no opinion concerning public criticism of the quality of education. But, neither do I take the responsibility for any decline in future resulting test scores.

Students and their parents are responsible for the allocation of their time. I believe they have chosen Quantity over Quality.

I believe that much of the criticism of our schools and the quality of education in the U.S. is justified. We do make mistakes and there is much inefficiency, waste and apathy connected with public education. However, many of the problems in our schools today are the same problems confronting the community as a whole.



School problems are inseparable from those of society. As such, both the school and society are at fault. I don't think one group such as teachers or administrators can be blamed for all of the shortcomings of our schools. Parents, school boards, administrators, teachers, and students must share the blame for this situation. I think it is foolish to expect schools to solve these problems without assistance from the community and family. We must all work harder in a coordinated effort to make positive changes in education and society. There are many things wrong with our society and system of education, but I'm not ready to junk them. To keep this from sounding too much like a "sky is falling" statement, I would interject that there are good things happening in our schools. In my own classrooms (and other teachers have related similar experiences), I have observed students becoming more aware of and concerned about the world in which they live. Today's students are on the whole much more sophisticated in their thinking and much less provincial in their outlook than students of a decade ago. As a teacher, I would like to believe that this is partially a result of better teaching in our schools.

Public school is a building. Learning transcends time, place, and media. Acknowledged criticism should warrent scrutinous inventory and necessary changes which would be mutually beneficial to system and student alike. Perhaps the plasicity and flux aggravated by change generates perpetual questioning. Splendid! All should welcome opportunity for explanatory accountability.

My opinion is mellowed by experience as student, parent, instructor, and tax-payer singularly and collectively with a concerted goal of



lifting up a standard for myself and my conduct (knowing full-well that 'teachers' and 'students' are collective, meaningless terms when viewed en masse.) It behooves this writer to maintain a continual goal of personal and professional improvement.

Having been associated with public, state, private, correspondence, and religious schools in various capacities, I advocate quality education via three specificities: 1. Let letter grade be abolished and replaced with criterion-referenced tests with 80% mastery level; 2. Individuals should be objectively evaluated according to capabilities, strengths and weaknesses, potential, and interest; and 3. I advocate mature students leaving formal school if not interested or can see no immediate advantage in staying. Many disciplinary behaviors are precipitated by students compelled to attend to assure financial reimbursement from agencies, or court order. QUALITY is an elusive expression but oft times the non-motivated student is a catalyst for entire class misappropriated behaviors. Many educational systems viewed radical and novel are in fact tested, tried, and proven worthy e.g., 'schools without walls,' ad hoc groupings, 'enrichments,' workshops, extensions, T.V. courses, and self-initiated advancements. In India, a student attends class or not and takes an equivalency test when confident of passing.

Georgia, as some other systems, has the 45-15 scheduling . . . 45 schooldays followed by 15 schooldays off. This and other methods utilize more advantageously buildings, environment, and community resources, both material and personnel.

We hear much about 'student rights.' I appreciate that however believe all those in authority should be respected for position, if not presentation or personality. An old-fashioned idea? Then call me O.F.

Daisy M. Allabach



Mrs. Walters



Joyce Proctor



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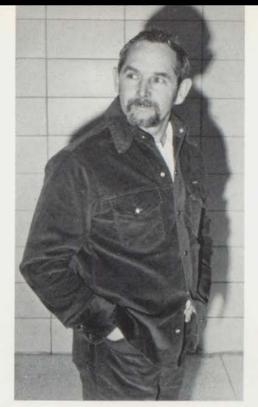


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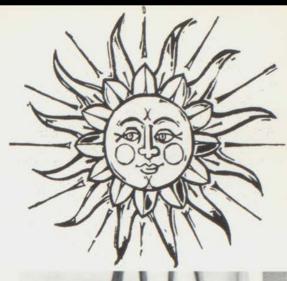




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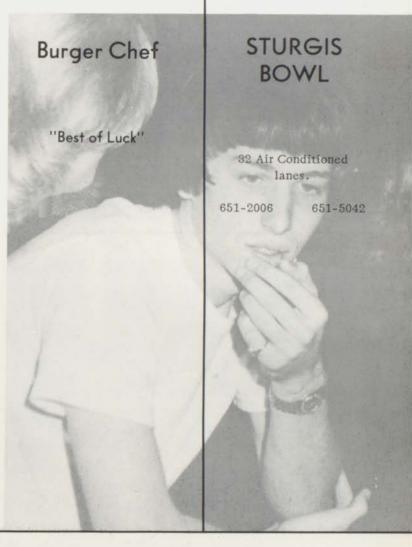
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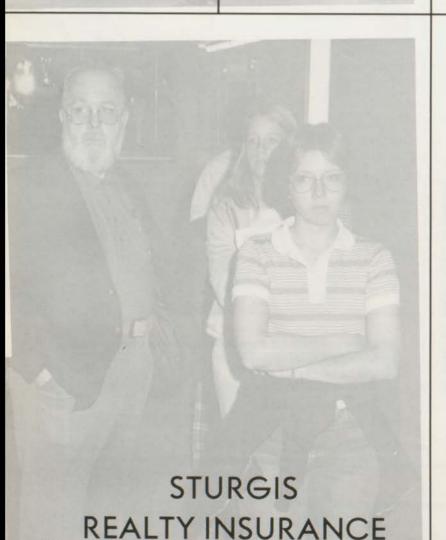
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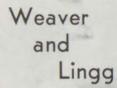
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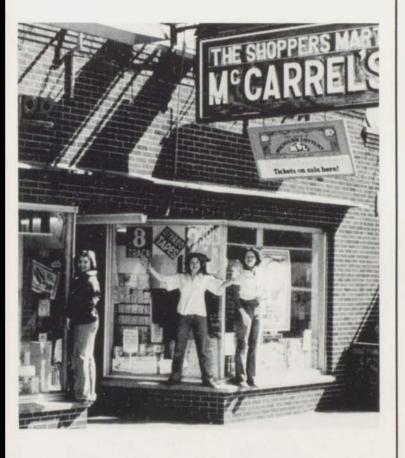
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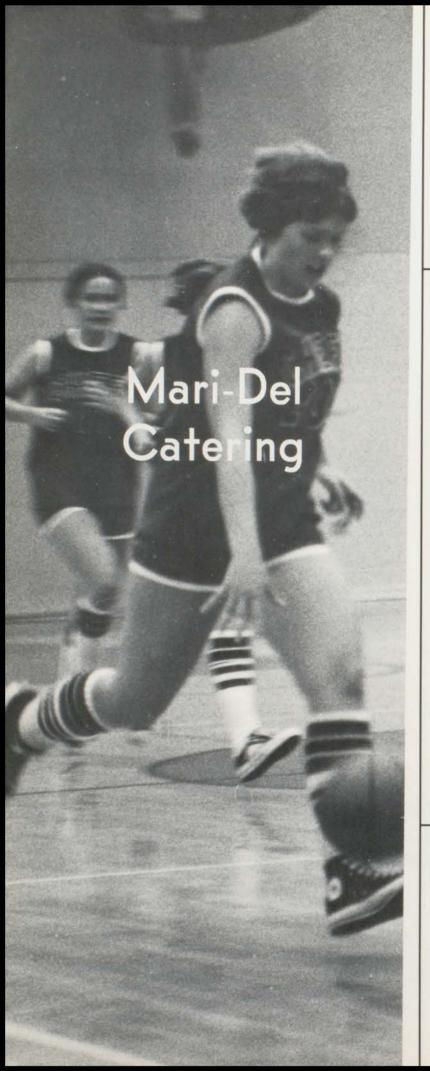
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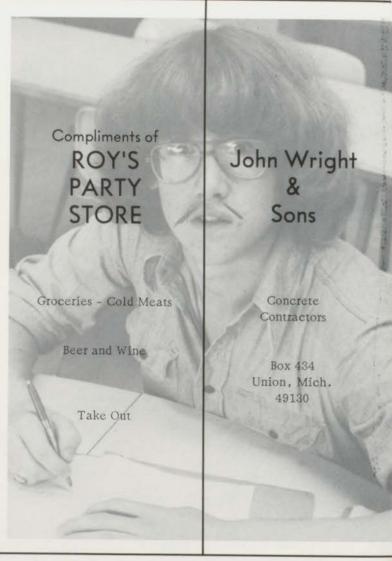
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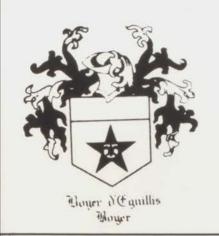
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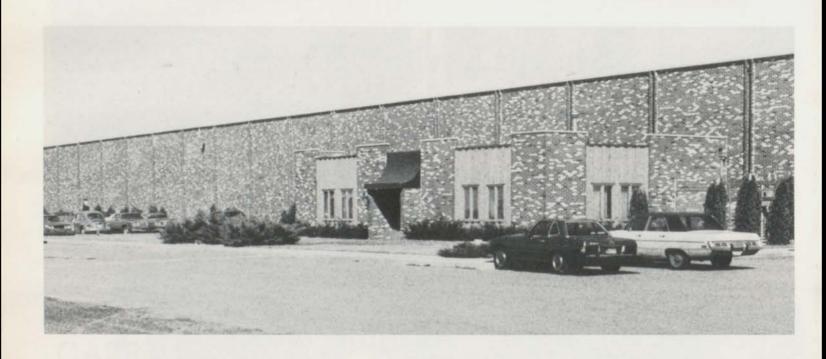
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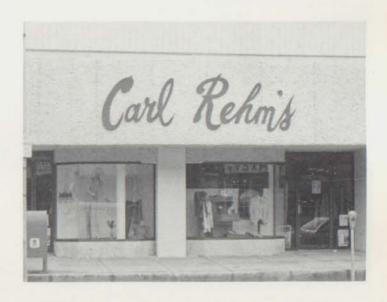


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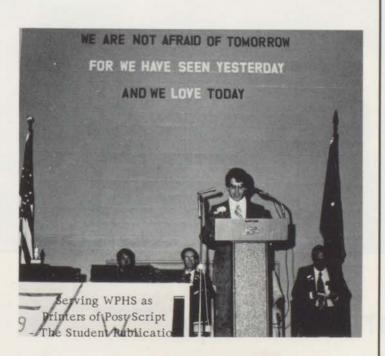
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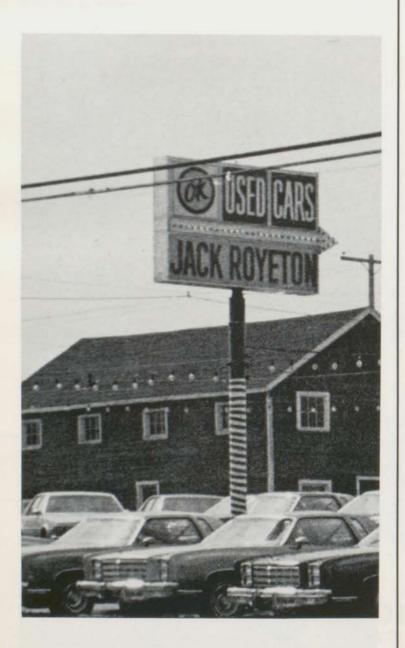
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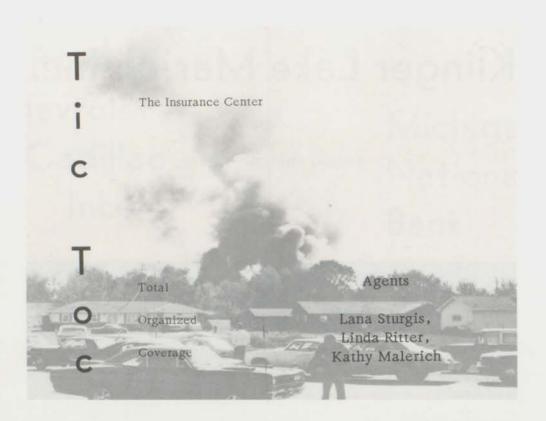
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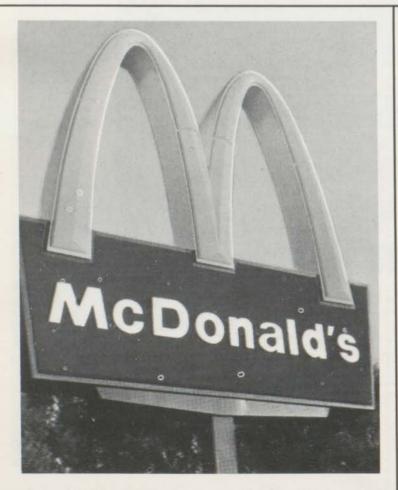


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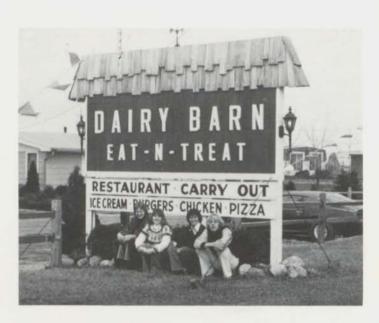
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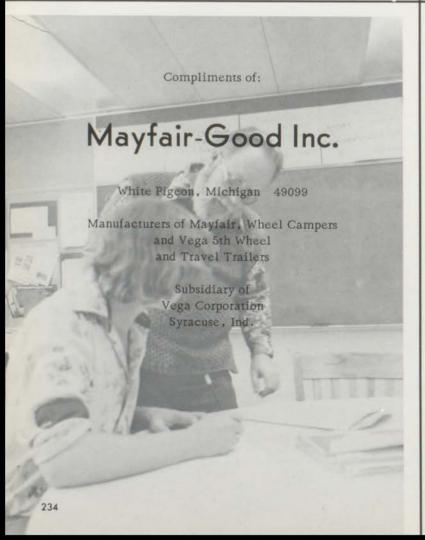
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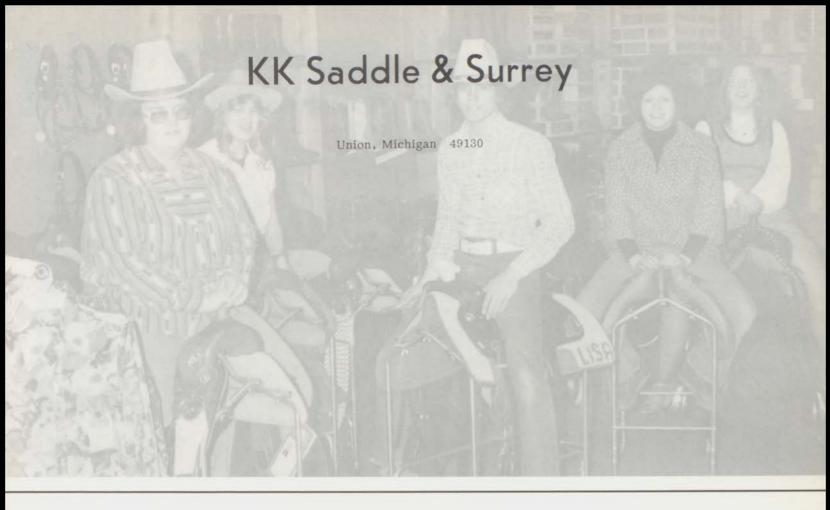
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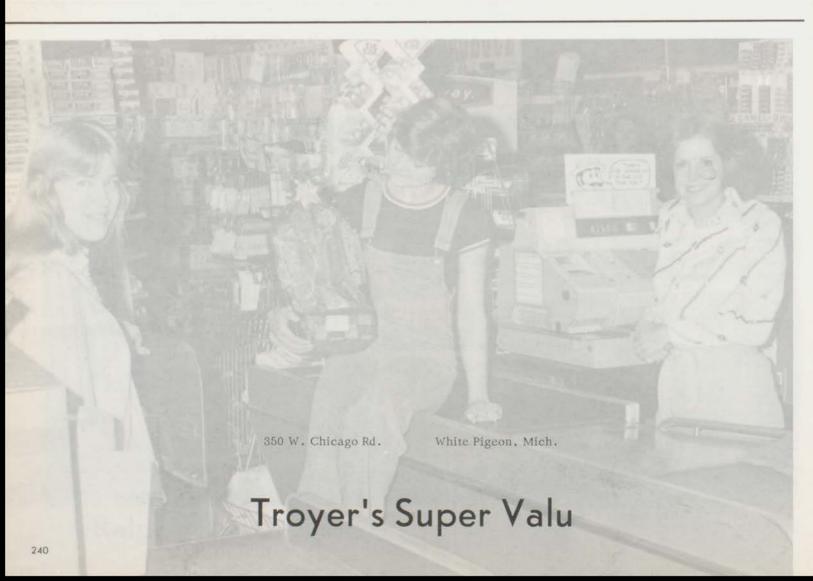
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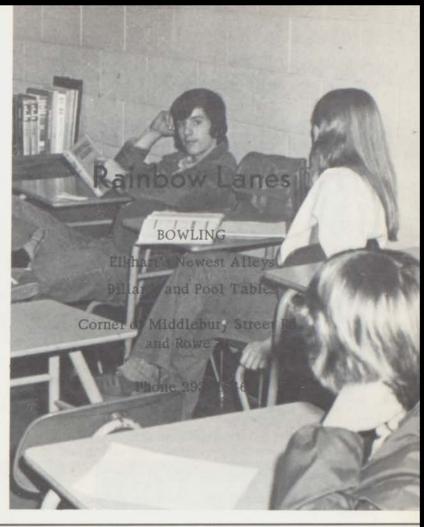


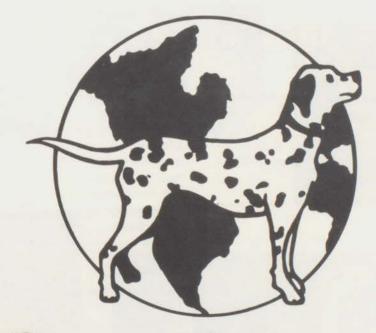




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