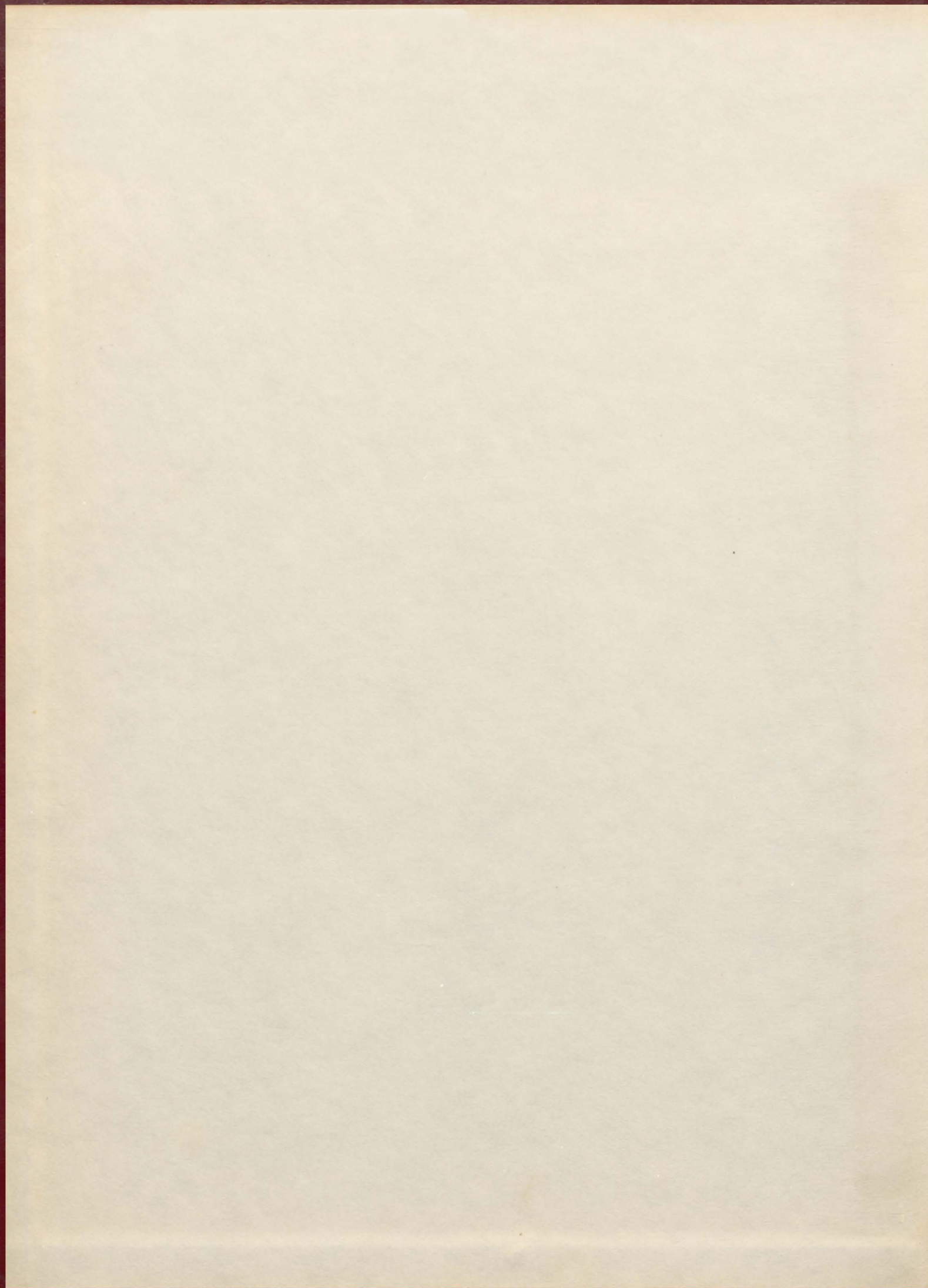
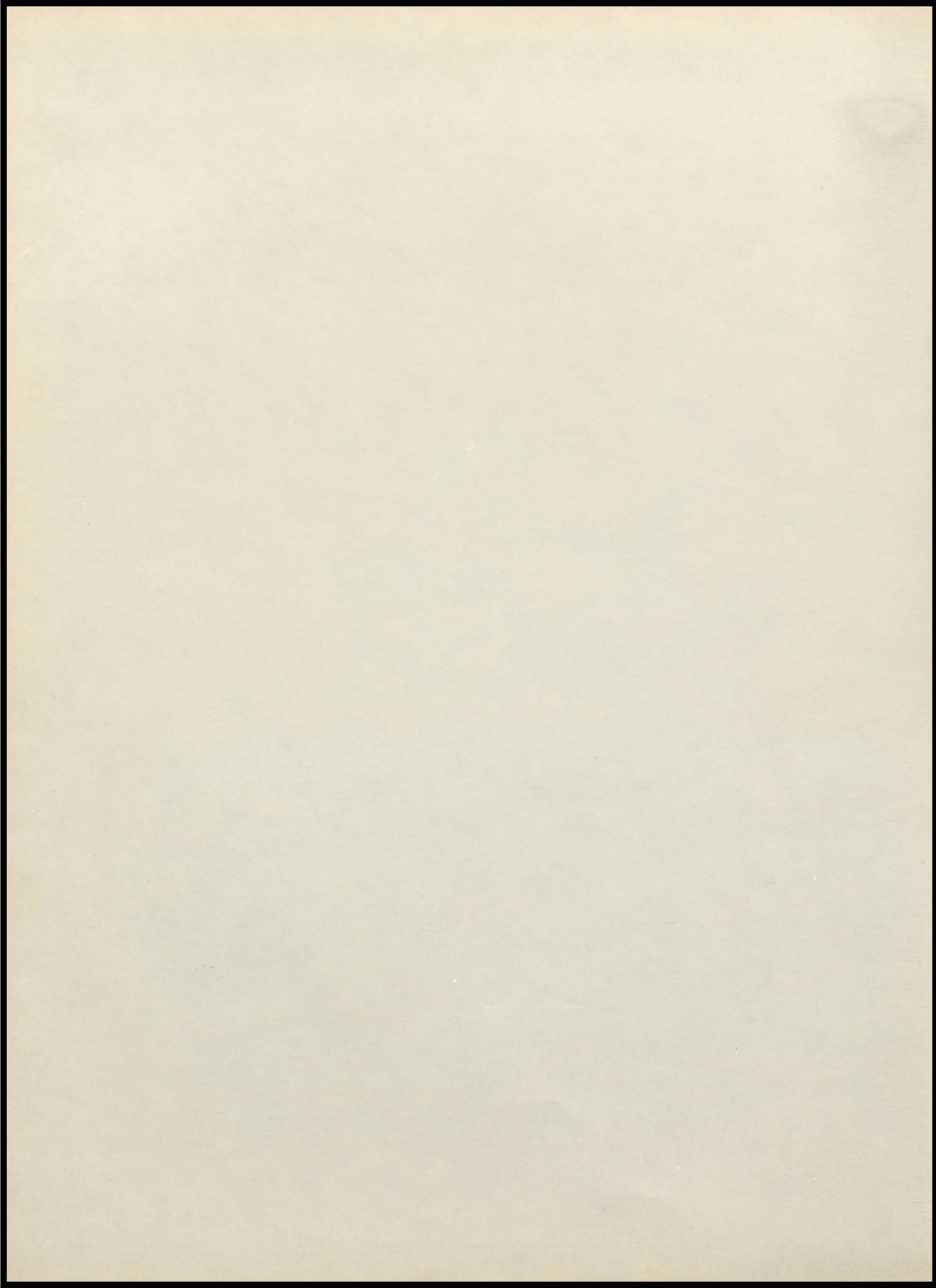
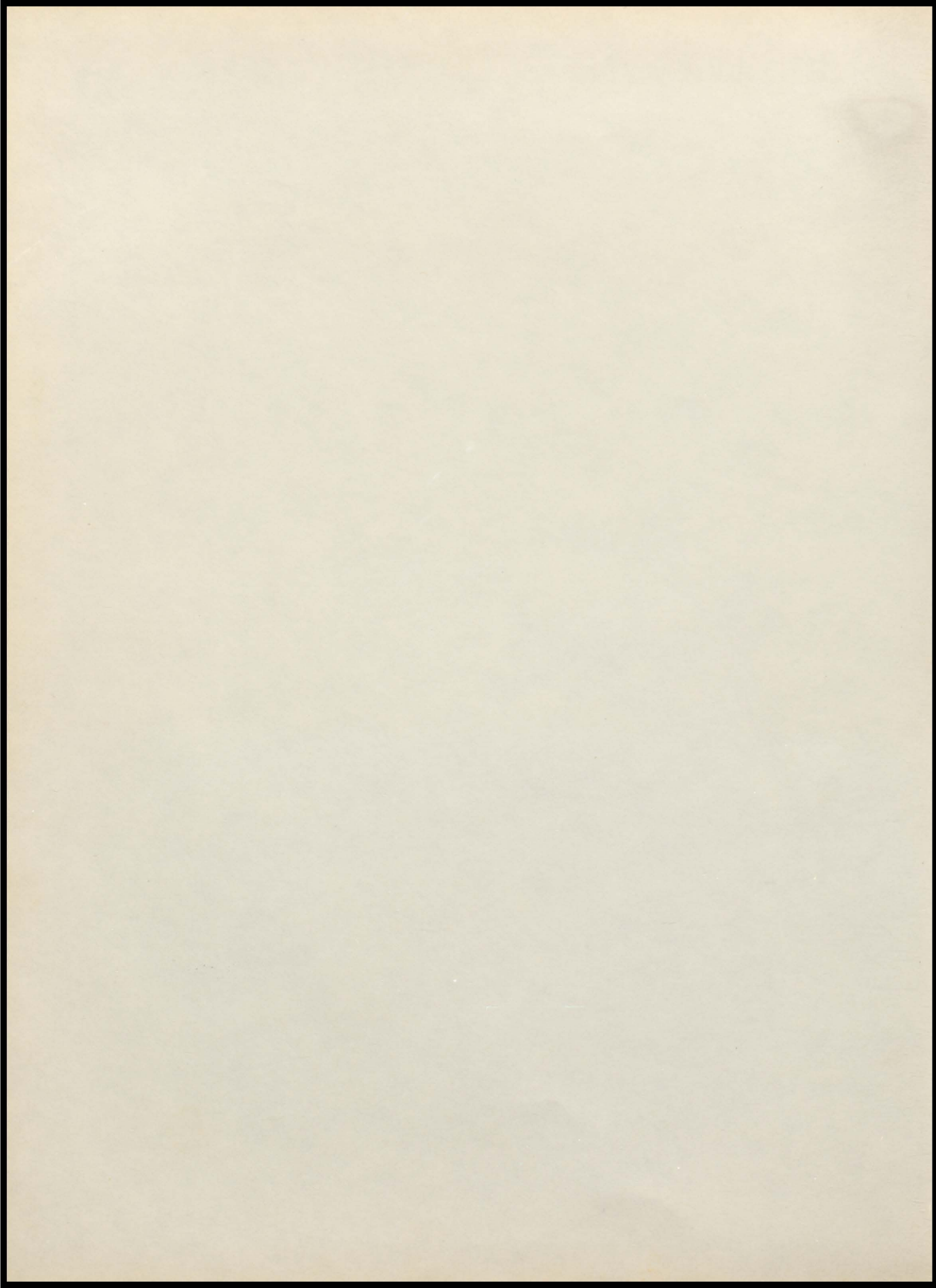




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1980**







BEGINNINGS AND REFLECTIONS



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BLAND, VIRGINIA 24315*

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EDITOR



"In the beginning God created the Heaven and the earth." Genesis 1:1

START WHERE YOU STAND

*Start where you stand and never mind the past;
The past won't help you in beginning new;
If you have left it all behind at last
Why, that's enough, you're done with it, you're through
This is another chapter in the book;
This is another race that you have planned;
Don't give the vanished days a backward look;
Start where you stand.*

Berton Braley

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A STAR

IS BORN



*Miss Bland county 1979
Donna Webb*



*Junior Miss
Debbie Belcher*



*Little Miss
Heather Smith*



Junior



Queen Vicie King and King Buck Thompson



Robin Umbarger, Monica Groseclose, and Andrea Gordon present class gift to sponsor Carolyn DeBord.

The Bland Junior-Senior Prom was held at the Holiday Inn, Wytheville, Va. on May 12, 1979 from 8 until 12 o'clock.

The Theme, Too Much Heaven, was vividly illustrated by the class colors of blue and gold. Music was provided by Reggie Neel from 7-Q.



Pat Chewning and Jeff Harrell

Leprechaun Bunyan

Chris Riddle

Geraldine Faulkner



Senior Prom 1979



Jo Neel



May Dance 1979

The Bland High School Band, sponsored by Lynda Peak, held their May Dance on May 4, 1979. Patty Hylton, escorted by Mike Sarver, was crowned as the May Queen.



*Larry Newberry and
Karen Hounshell*



*Front Row: Mike Sarver, Patty Hylton.
Second Row: Edwina Stowers, Marsha
Agee, Lesa Harden, Anita Rankin. Back
Row: Jerry Stowers, Tracy Hylton,
Charlie Wolfe, Jerry Pauley*



*Mike Sarver, Queen Patty Hylton
crowned by Debbie Dillow*

STUDENT LIFE





Miss Echo 1980

On September 28, 1979, the following students combined their talents to make the 1980 Miss Echo Day a success: Frank Smith, Becky McPeak, Wanda Bevil, Billy Talbert, Lisa Pruitt, Kimberly Kidd, Mark Woolwine, Joey Bane, Charity Young, Edwina Stowers, Paul Lucas, Shirley Wolfe, Mark Newberry, Roberta Young, Karen Harden, and Ila Conley.

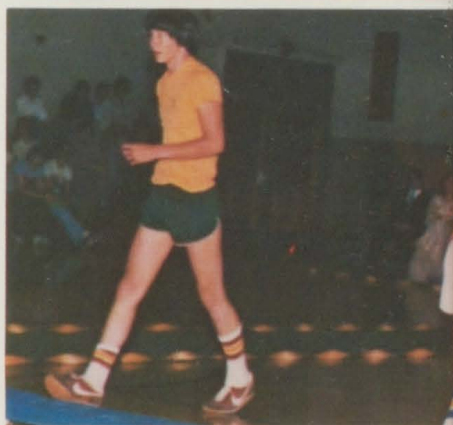
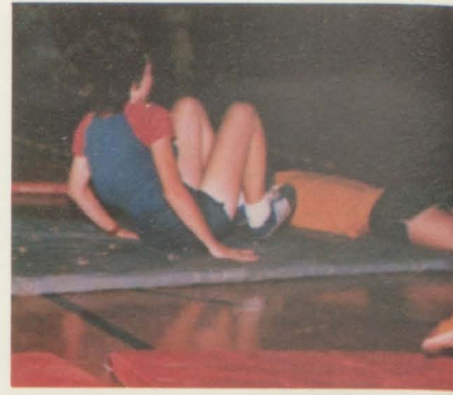


Miss Echo 1980
Rhonda Ellison

Candidates and Escorts: Phil Peery, Kaye Cox; Craig Hamilton, Mary Bowen; John Muncy, Rhonda Ellison; Mark Compton, Lora Groseclose; Jay Hoge, Anna Tate.



Guitarist Frank Smith



P.E. classes performing on the mats



Roberta Young and Karen Harden accompanied by Ila Conley



Mini-trampoline skills demonstrated by Mark Newberry and Billy Talbert



Karen Harden on the balance beam



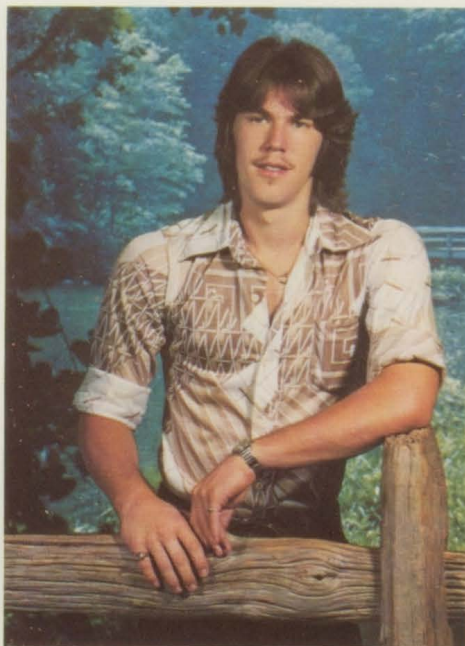
Kickoff Time for Class of 1980



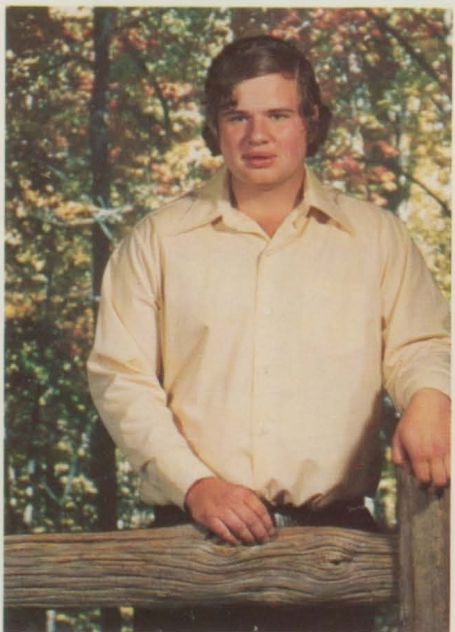
Geraldine Faulkner-president, Anita Rankin-vice-president, Monica Groseclose-secretary, Michelle Gravley-treasurer.



*John Michael Atwell
"Johnny"*



*David Campbell Bane
"Dave"*



*Robert Timothy Baxley
"Timmy"*



*Mary Elizabeth Bowen
"Mary"*

Charles Greever Chandler
"Chuck"



Patricia Sue Chewning
"Pat"



Darlene Conley
"Darlene"



Ila Anne Conley
"Ila"



Geraldine Leigh Faulkner
"Geraldine"



Andrea Jane Gordon
"Annie"

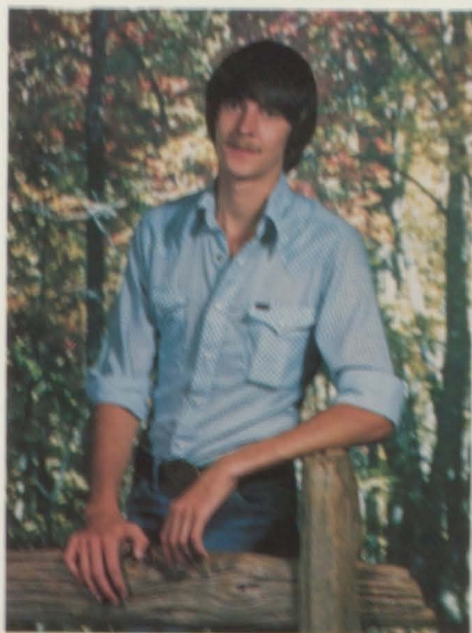




Michelle Charlene Gravley
"Shelly"



Monica Lee Groseclose
"Monica"



William Craig Hamilton
"Craig"



Terri Lynn Harden
"Terri"

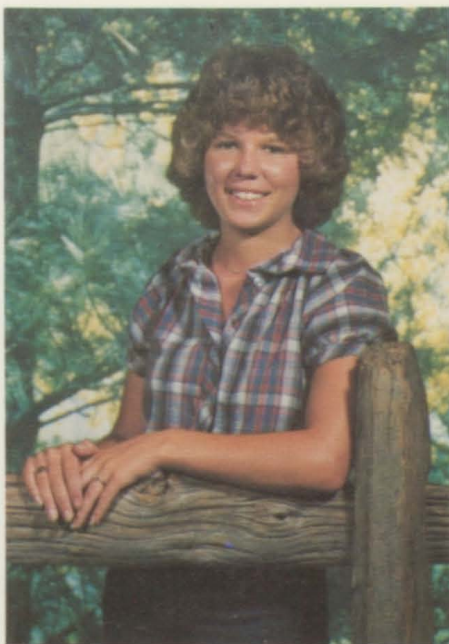


James Douglas Harman
"James"



James Meek Hoge
"Jay"

Patricia Lee Holt
"Trish"



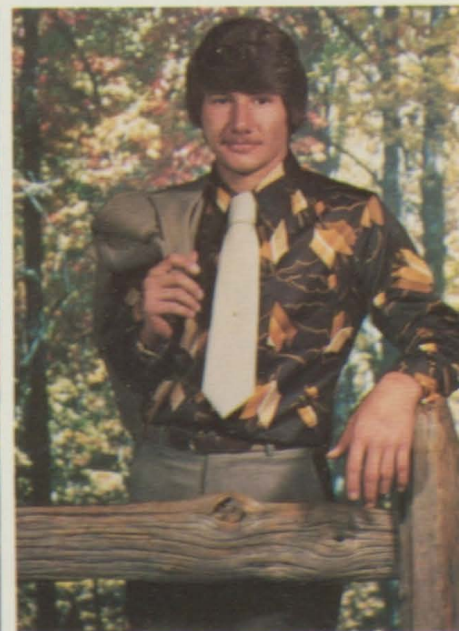
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"Eddie"



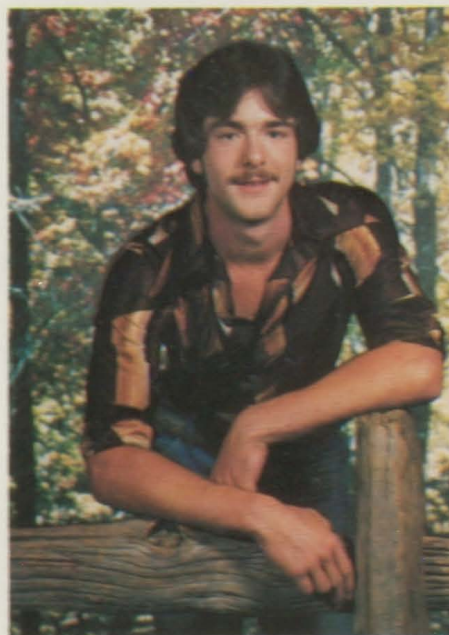
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"James"



Clarence Kevin Neal
"Kevin"



William Theron Newberry
"Theron"

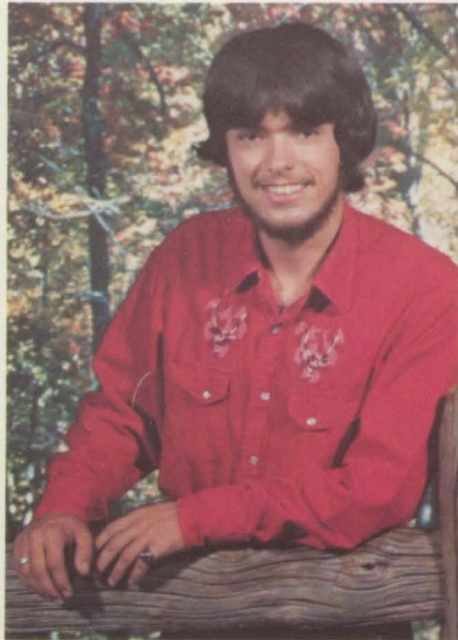


Joey Wayne Pauley
"Joey"





Anita Lynn Rankin
"Anita"



Frank Aaron Smith, Jr.
"Frank"



Cindy Christine Umbarger
"Cindy"



Robin Zadet Umbarger
"Robin"



Tammy Lynn Umbarger
"Tammy"



Debbie Lynn Webb
"Debbie"

ST. ALBANS
1974-1975
SENIORS

Donna Lee Webb
"Donna"



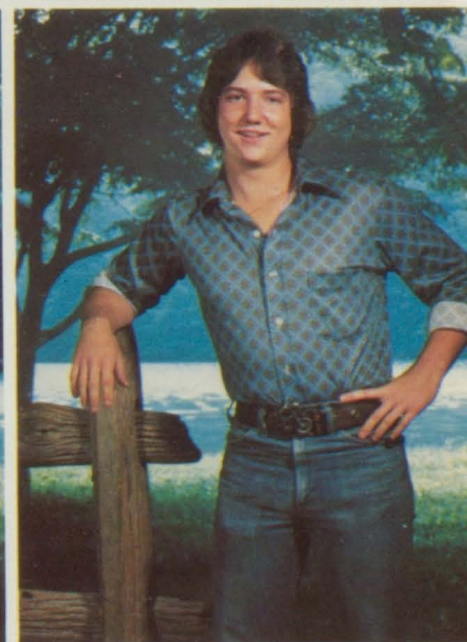
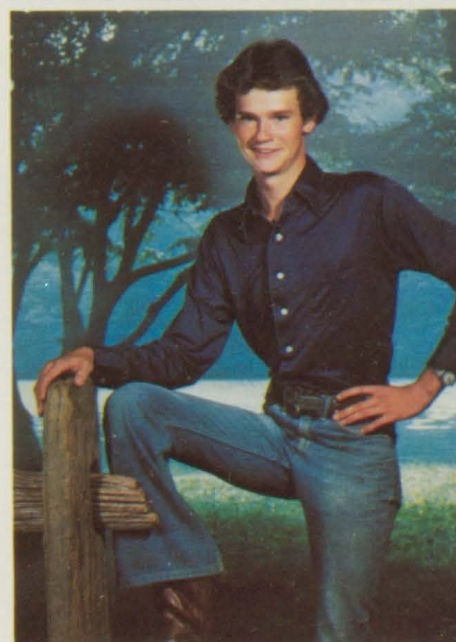
Kathryn Sue Wiley
"Kathryn"

Carla Kay Wolfe
"Carla"



Ervin Dale Wright
"Ervin"

James Terry Wright
"Terry"



Samuel Kim Wright
"Kim"



Return to Our Beginnings



Johnny Atwell
David Bane
Timmy Baxley
Mary Bowen
Chuck Chandler



Patty Chewning
Darlene Conley
Ila Conley
Geraldine Faulkner
Andrea Gordon



Shelly Gravley
Monica Groseclose
Craig Hamilton
Terri Harden
James Harman



Jay Hoge
Trish Holt
Eddie Hounshell
James Miller
Kevin Neal



Theron Newberry
Joey Pauley
Anita Rankin
Frank Smith
Cindy Umbarger



Robin Umbarger
Tammy Umbarger
Debbie and Donna Webb
Kathryn Wiley
Carla Wolfe



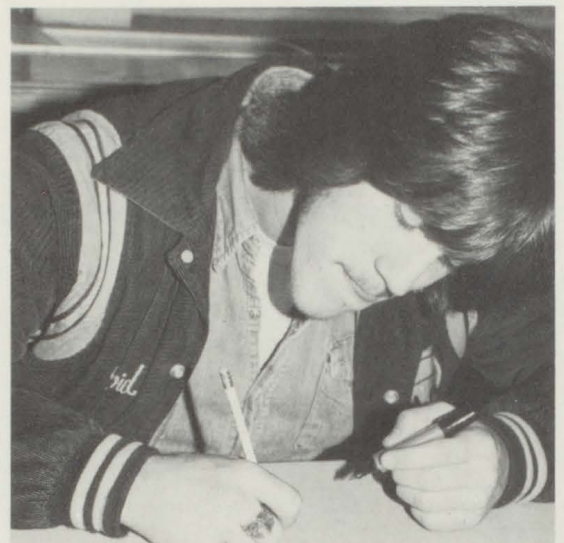
Ervin Wright
Kim Wright
Terry Wright



QUIETEST: Ervin Wright, Tammy Umbarger, James Miller, Chuck Chandler.

Reflective Memories

Super people . . . chosen by the faculty . . . excitement of being selected . . . only a seed that took root, grew, blossomed and bore fruit . . . friends grew, touched, smiled, and worked together . . . shared moments of joy, happiness, and sorrow . . . All of these are tucked away in the recesses of our minds to be brought forth at some future time.



MOST ARTISTIC: David Bane



MOST TALENTED: Ila Conley and Frank Smith

CLASS CLOWNS: Kim Wright, Terry Wright, Craig Hamilton



CUTEST: Anita Rankin and Joey Pauley

*Lives of great men remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of Time. —Longfellow*



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED: Robin Umbarger and Monica Groseclose

*Memories of success
Of days that long have gone
Often give us courage
When other hopes are flown.*

*Memories of old friends
Are very sacred, too,
And sometimes we long for
The friends that once we knew.*

*Life is full of memories
As time rolls on its way,
And the present shall become
A memory, too, some day. —Virginia Oliver*



MOST DEPENDABLE: Eddie Baxley, Darlene Conley and Kevin Neal



BEST DISPOSITION: Eddie Hounshell



MOST SCHOOL SPIRITED: Patty Chewning and Terri Harden

Reflected Accomplishments, Dreams, and Hopes

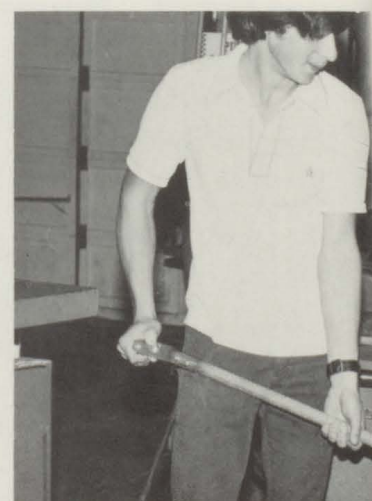
*Our journey, as if it had just begun,
Drew to a close;
A flicker of intelligence in our mind,
Along with out memories, we left behind.*

*Though thy name be spread abroad,
Like winged seed, from shore to shore,
What thou art before thy God,
That thou art and nothing more.*

*Before God's footstool to confess
A poor soul knelt and bowed his head.
"I failed," he wailed. The Master said,
"Thou did'st thy best — that is success." —Henry Coyle.*



MOST ATHLETIC: Andrea Gordon and Theron Newberry





BEST DRESSED: Donna Webb and Mary Bowen



BEST ALL-AROUND: Geraldine Faulkner and Cindy Umbarger



SWEETEST: Debbie Webb and Trish Holt



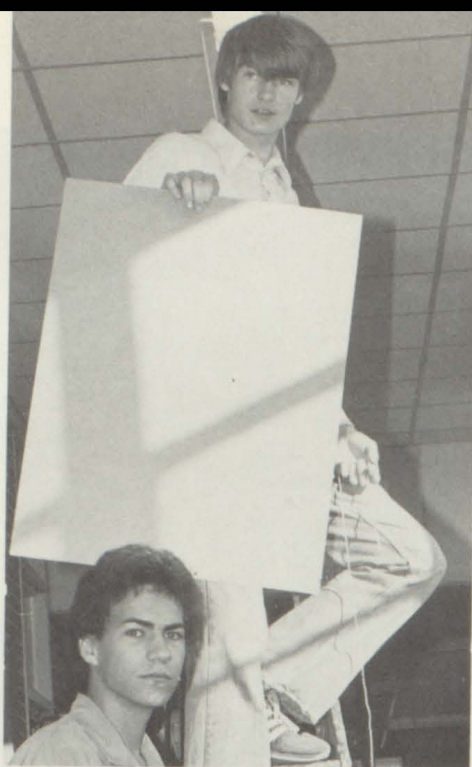
BEST CRAFTSMEN: James Harman, Jay Hoge, John Atwell



MOST STUDIOUS: Carla Wolfe, Shelly Gravley, Kathryn Wiley

Reminiscings of

Sizing up? Rita Pruitt and Trish Holt



Going up! David Tibbs and C.W. Havens



Is the food really that bad? Renee Thompson and Colene Munsey



*SADIE HAWKINS DAY*FRONT ROW: Ila Conley, Susan Kegley. 2ND ROW: Sarah Pruitt, Lisa Pruitt, Connie Nelson, Sue Smith. 3RD ROW: Winifred Foglesong, Charity Young, Gary Young, Debbie Dillow, Linda Ellison, Anita Stowers, Andrea Cassell. 4TH ROW: Debbie Atwell, Anna Tate, Lisa Wood, Tammy Cline, Rita Lambert, Mary Ann Cochran, Kaye Cox. BACK ROW: Roberta Young, Joey Crockett, Bobby Bane, Robert Farlow, Donna Dalton.*



The mainstay of BHS! Jay Hoge and Jerry Pauley



*"On top of it all." Cindy Umbarger
BHS's latest fashions — Linda Ellison*

the Past



Turn back the clock! Lucy Muncy, Debbie Dillow, Geraldine Faulkner



Jo Neel "makes out" with the Fries Dummy!



Sha-Na-Na?! Mike Sarver, Mark Compton, Mark Newberry, Todd Hoge, John Muncy, Marq Newberry

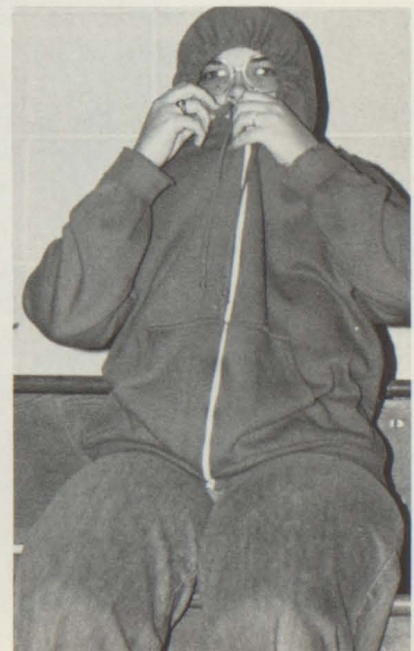


Share with us! Terri Harden, Ila Conley, Robin Umbarger, Monica Groseclose

It was bound to happen sooner or later! Bobby Bane



We've tried to tell the School Board it really does get cold in here! Kathryn Wiley



Each Day is a New Beginning

There is some quality which only a new class ring can possess . . . a gleam of pure gold and glowing stone . . . a gleam that symbolizes five years of happy beginnings and joyous reflections.

Selling stick candy . . . voting on a theme and colors . . . planning . . . decorating . . . anxiously awaiting the night of the Junior-Senior Prom . . . choosing a formal . . . buying a corsage . . . renting a dinner jacket . . . The classes of 1979 and 1980 will forever remember these moments with wonder, amazement, and joy.



CLASS OFFICERS: TOP TO BOTTOM — Ginger Kent — president, Kim Townley — vice-president, Patty Hylton — secretary, Teresa Tolbert — treasurer, Susan Kegley — reporter.

Jon Braithwaite
Charlie Brown
Eleanor Bruce
Darlene Burcham
Ricky Burcham



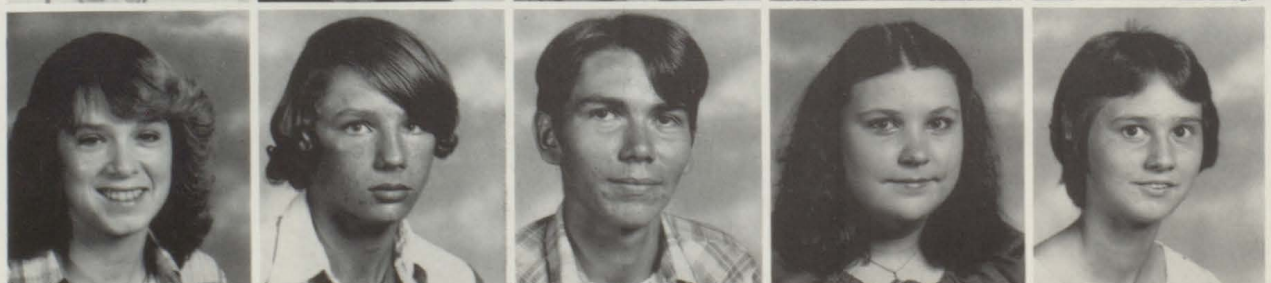
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Angela Dillow
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Rhonda Ellison



Karen Harden
Mark Harris
Kathy Havens
Patty Hylton
Susan Kegley



Ginger Kent
Bobby Lambert
Michael Mallory
Dreama McPeak
Roberta Morehead





*John Muncy
Lucy Muncy
Colene Munsey
Allen Mustard*



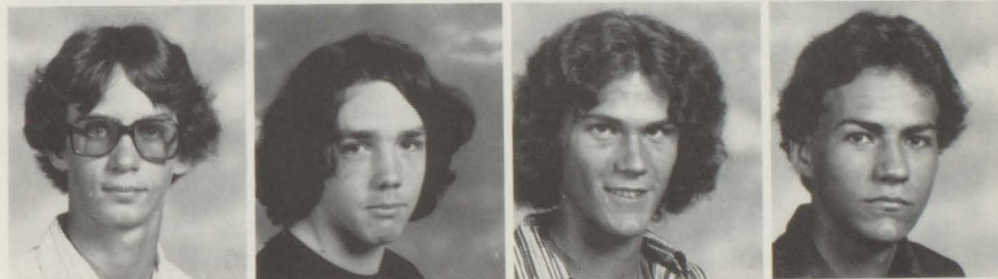
*Jerri Owens
Betty Parker
Donald Pauley
Phil Peery*



*Marilyn Penley
Mary Pruett
Lisa Pruitt
Rita Pruitt*



*Tim Richardson
Chris Riddle
Mike Sarver
Margie Sheppard*



*Randy Strock
Tony Taylor
Darrell Tibbs
David Tibbs*



*Teresa Tolbert
Kim Townley
Mary Etta Umbarger
Shirley Wolfe*



*Debbie Wright
Sarah Wynn
Roberta Young*

Life is made sweet,
 because of friends we have made,
 and the things which in common we share;
 We want to live on, not because of ourselves.
 But because of the people who care.
 It's in giving and doing for somebody else —
 On that, all life's splendor depends . . .
 The joys of this life, when you've summed it all up,
 Are found in the making of friends.

Planning and decorating for the Sophomore
 Dance . . . selling at ball games . . . cutting up
 worms . . . getting sick from the smell of for-
 maldehyde . . . studying classroom Driver's Ed . . .
 successfully passing the test . . . and it's yours —
 The Learner's Permit . . . Tenth grade students
 become fascinated with locomotion — The Car!



OFFICERS: BOTTOM TO TOP: Laura Gordon — president, Larry
 Newberry — vice-president, Sheri Tolbert — secretary, Karen
 Hounshell — treasurer, Ruth Shannon — reporter.

Debbie Atwell
 Bobby Bane
 Joey Bane
 Richard Bartleson
 Sheila Carroll



Jeff Cassell
 Dora Catterton
 Geneva Clark
 Gerald Clemons
 Mark Compton



Sharon Conley
 Joey Crockett
 Norman Dillow
 Paul Dillow
 Rhonda Etter



Bobby Fulford
 Laura Gordon
 Lucy Gray
 Lora Groseclose
 Jimmy Harper



Counting Time is Not So Important as Making Time Count

—James J. Walker



Juanita Harris
Chris Henderson
Todd Hoge
Karen Hounshell



Bobby King
Mark King
Lisa King
Becky Lambert



Paul Lucas
Pam Melvin
Joy Miller
Connie Millirons



Carla Morehead
Jamie Morehead
Teresa Morehead
Mark Mustard



Jerry Mutter
Jo Neel
Danny Newberry
Dawn Newberry



Larry Newberry
Mark Newberry
Marquis Newberry
Cliff Pauley

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Terri Price
Sylvia Ramsey
Johnny Sarver*



*Ruth Shannon
Tammy Smelser
Stephani Stanley
Edwina Stowers*



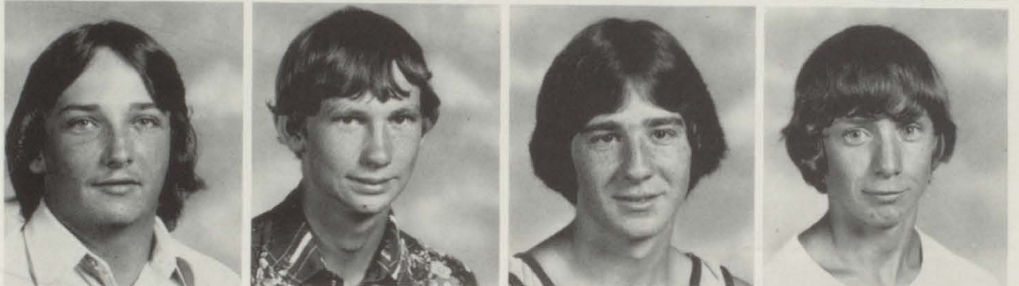
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Vanessa Tabor
Billy Talbert
Dave Thomas*



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Lisa Wood*



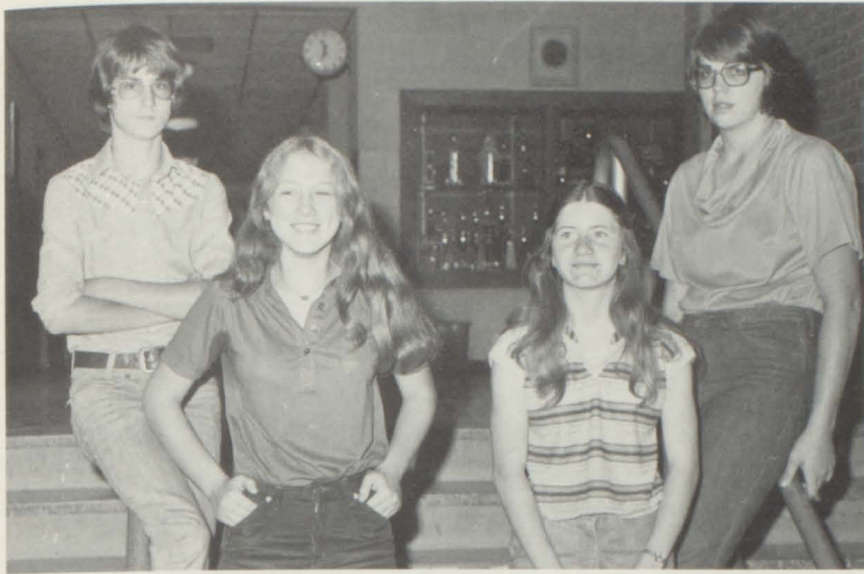
*Chris Wright
Eric Wright
Rusty Wright
Troy Wright*



Bill Wynn



*Our journey has begun
On a quest for a lifetime,
Leaping into experiences,
Unfolding before our eyes.*



CLASS OFFICERS: Tommy Clark — treasurer, Wanda Bevil — president, Kim Kidd — vice-president, Valerie Lambert — secretary.

The Beginning of Responsibility

What's being a Freshman like? It's finally being an upperclassman . . . spending lunch period catching up on homework . . . struggling . . . pressing forward . . . becoming involved at B.H.S.



*Marsha Agee
Ricky Baker
Charlie Bane
Darrell Banes*



*Jane Banes
Wanda Bevil
Tonnie Carver
Tommy Clark*



*Thomas Dillow
James Farris
Bobby Gordon
Tammy Gravley*

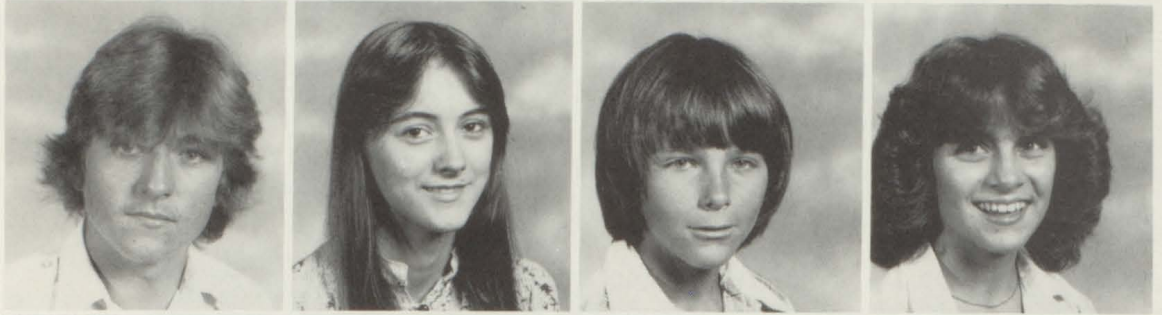


*Debbie Griffith
Lechia Hager
Joyce Harper
Melissa Havens*

Kimberly Kidd
 Tony Lambert
 Valerie Lambert
 Becky McPeak



Larry Mutter
 Connie Nelson
 Brian Pauley
 Wendi Price



Harvey Pruett
 Wallace Rankin
 Lisa Sarver
 Donna Shelton



Elbert Shelton
 Anna Tate
 Todd Taylor
 Lonnie Thomas



Tracey Walker
 Fred Williamson
 Mark Woolwine
 Cindy Wright



Rita Wright



It may be a long way to a goal, but it is never far to the next step toward the goal.

Beginnings of Our High School Days



Changing classes . . . trying to keep track of locker keys . . . dressing out for Phys. Ed. . . . selling flower bulbs . . . These things, and more, make up the beginning of high school for eighth graders.

*Individual interaction
Buds into lasting friendships;
Intellectual development
Creates minds unsurpassed.*

CLASS OFFICERS: Cecil Compton — president, Kaye Cox — vice-president, Linda Ellison — secretary, Sue Smith — treasurer.



*Joyce Alexander
Sonja Asbury
Sandy Bane
Lyn Banes*



*Laymond Barger
Arthur Bartleson
Eddie Baxley
Andrea Cassell*



*Melanie Cassell
Dee Dee Clemons
Mary Clemons
Melba Clemons*

Tammy Cline
 Mary Anne Cochran
 Cecil Compton
 Sherry Lynne Conley
 Kaye Cox



Steve Cox
 Donna Dalton
 Alex Davis
 Eric Ellison
 Linda Ellison



David Etter
 Jeff Fanning
 Douglas Farlow
 John Robert Farlow
 Winifred Foglesong



Gordon Griffith
 Sammy Groseclose
 Mike Hall
 Kathy Hancock
 C.W. Havens



Paige Henderson
 Tracy Hylton
 Kandy Kent
 Donna Lambert
 Rita Lambert



Jeanie Mallory
 Chuckie McKinney
 Kathy Melvin
 Gary Miller
 Kathy Morehead



Dawn Morehead
 Brian Mustard
 Paula Mustard
 Tim Neal
 Cecil Nelson





*Joey Newberry
 James Nunley
 Todd Parker
 Ricky Pruitt
 Sarah Pruitt*



*Barbara Ramsey
 David Simmons
 Sharon Simmons
 Sue Smith
 Mike Smelser*



*Robert Stanley
 Anita Stowers
 Donna Strock
 Renee Thompson
 Linda Tibbs*



*Zina Tickle
 Sandra Tolbert
 Terry Umbarger
 Jeff Vineyard
 Sean Wood*



*Bridget Wright
 Dwayne Wright
 Sheila Wright
 Wesley Wright
 Gary Young*



Have you heard the latest? Sharon Simmons and Kandy Kent

*Here I am, starting something new
 How do I act? What do I do?
 New faces, new places, actions, ideals
 Should I sit back and watch, or reach out and feel?
 I look all around me, familiarity's gone.
 New worries appear with every new dawn.
 What's the solution? I wish that I knew,
 The problems are many, the answers are few.*



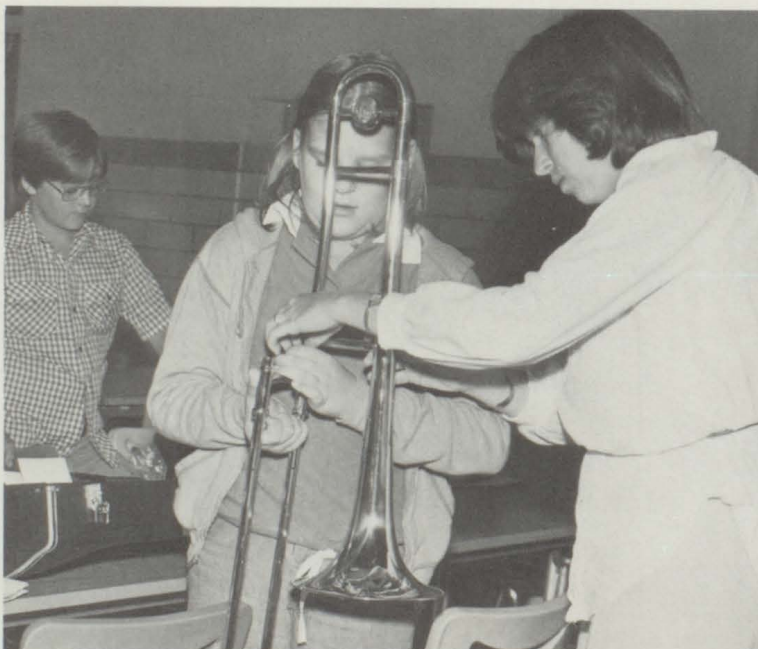
PEP RALLY. FRONT ROW: Harvey Pruett, Jerry Pauley, Paul Dillow, Donald Pauley, Tim Neal. SECOND ROW: Zina Tickle, Thomas Dillow, Marq Newberry, Charlie Brown, Randy Stroch, Danny Newberry, Terry Umbarger, Jeff Cassell. THIRD ROW: Anna Tate, Joyce Harper, Frank Smith, Norman Dillow, John Muncy, Larry Newberry, Todd Hoge, Phil Peery. BACK ROW: Lisa Pruitt, Lisa King, Tammy Smelser, Shirley Wolfe, Cecil Compton, Gary Miller, Ricky Baker, Jimmy Harper, Mike Umbarger, Mark Newberry, Mark Compton, Mike Sarver.

Beginnings of Memories

Pep rallies . . . English reports . . . learning to handle a new instrument . . . walking that someone to class . . . opening a stacked locker . . . "holding up the walls" . . . These make up a few of the memories of school days.



English reports bring students to the library — Marq Newberry, Lucy Gray, Dawn Newberry.



*John Atwell as he hurries to class!
Mrs. Karen Green instructs LeAnna Mustard in proper instrument handling. Wendell Parker waits his turn.*

A Successful School Year begins with the Board of Education



*Dr. Maynard R. Joyce
Division Superintendent*

Planning interesting inservice days for teachers . . . making decisions concerning snow days . . . getting a new budget accepted . . . finding personnel replacements . . . coping with the energy crisis . . . approving field trips . . . keeping abreast of Federal programs . . . These are a few of the many problems dealt with by our Board of Education. Employees and members not pictured: Mr. David Sable — School Psychologist; Mrs. Sandra Umbarger — secretary; Mrs. Martha Perkins — secretary; Mr. Rex Morehead — Mechanicsburg, Chairman; Mr. Donald Pruett — Rocky Gap; Mr. Sheridan Foglesong — Sharon; Mrs. Nancy Tate — Seddon.



*Mr. Ronald A. Pauley
Assistant Superintendent
Clerk of the Board*



*Dr. Louis R. Rittweger
— Title IV-C Director*



*Mrs. Rose B. Bowen
Director of Records and Finance*



Mrs. Kay D. Kincer — Supervisor of Special Education; Mrs. Sally H. Hylton; Textbook Clerk, Secretary



Class of 1980 Dedicates Yearbook to ECHO Sponsors

The members of the class of 1980 feel that our high school years were enriched by two very dedicated people, Mrs. Helen P. Hardy and Mrs. Elizabeth G. Newberry. We shall remember and appreciate their contributions to our educational training.



Mrs. Elizabeth G. Newberry graduated from Pearisburg High School in 1953. She attended Radford College where she obtained a B.S. in Business Education in 1957 and an M.S. in Education in 1972.

She and her husband, William, have two children, Theron, 18, and Dawn, 15. Her hobbies include reading, music, crafts, and painting.

Mrs. Newberry was co-sponsor of The Echo in 1977, and upon the retirement of Mrs. Hardy in 1978, accepted full sponsorship of The Echo. Her dedication and patience has meant much to the 1980 Echo Staff.

Mrs. Helen P. Hardy retired on May of 1977 after 35 years of teaching in her native county.

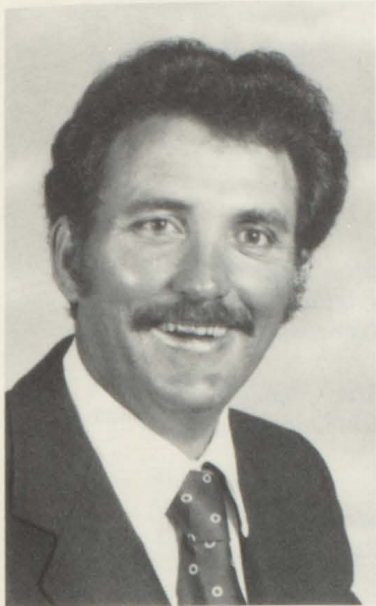
Mrs. Hardy graduated from Radford College with a B.S. degree in Math and French. Her first year of teaching was spent at Ceres High School. The next year Mrs. Hardy came to Bland High School where she spent the remainder of her teaching career.

In addition to her teaching duties, Mrs. Hardy sponsored numerous classes and clubs. At one point in her career Mrs. Hardy coached girls' basketball. The highlights of Mrs. Hardy's contributions to the students of Bland High School was her role as sponsor of The Echo. Mrs. Hardy sponsored the yearbook from 1951 through 1977.

Mrs. Hardy was the first sponsor of the class of 1980. She sponsored the class from 1974 to 1977.



These Are the Times That Try Men's Souls — Thomas Paine



*Mr. Roger D. Thompson
Principal*

*Mr. Richard C. Havens
Assistant Principal, Social
Studies, Business*

*Mrs. Carolyn B. Bane
ICT*



*Mr. Lawrence P. Bunyan
Mathematics, Chemistry,
Sociology, Government, Junior
Class Sponsor*

*Mr. Marvin Cantrell
Biology, Phys. Ed.,
Coach—Boys JV and Varsity
Basketball, Girls Volleyball*

*Mrs. Marilyn Carney
Geography Phys. Ed.,
Sophomore Class Sponsor,
Coach—Girls Tennis*



*Mr. William Crabtree
Agriculture, General
Mechanics, FFA Sponsor*

*Mrs. Carolyn DeBord
Mathematics, Senior Class
Sponsor*

*Ms. Mieke de Groot
Special Education*

*A Teacher Affects Eternity.
He Can Never Tell Where
His Influence Stops. — Henry Adams*



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English, Beta Sponsor,
Newspaper Sponsor*

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Sponsor*

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Aide*



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Aide*

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Aide*



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Title II School Nurse*

*Mrs. Patty Harden
Aide*



*Ms. Kathy Horton
Special Education*



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Speech Therapist*



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Aide*



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Aide*



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Aide*



*Mrs. Debbie Wright
Aide*



Our School Reflects Our Work

Making sure there are no interruptions in the school lives of individuals each school day is not an easy task . . . daily decisions . . . filing records . . . keeping track of the many dollars which pour through the office . . . planning and executing nutritious meals . . . firing the boiler at two a.m. . . . cleaning and polishing floors . . . getting students to and from school . . . coordinating and implementing the teachers' plans and efforts . . . These labors help keep the routine running smoothly.



OFFICE WORKER: Marie Lambert — General Clerk



STUDENT ASSISTANTS: Pat Chewning, Darlene Conley



MEDIA AIDE: Mrs. Nancy Clemons,
MEDIA ASSISTANT: Mrs. Nancy Stockner



LUNCHROOM WORKERS: Mrs. Mary Melvin, Mrs. Doris Tibbs, Mrs. Hazel Ellison



WORK STUDY: Kim Smith, WCC



WORK STUDY: Eddie Blankenship, ICT



Helen Thornton, Curriculum & Instructional Coordinator — Title IV-C



BUS DRIVERS. FRONT ROW: Mr. Gerald Carroll, Mr. Tony Wright, Mr. Frank Warden, Mr. David Bane. BACK ROW: Mrs. Margaret Miller, Mrs. Carmella Sarver, Mrs. Charlene Muncy, Miss Becky Harris, Mr. Curt Stowers. Not pictured Mrs. Regina Newberry.



CUSTODIANS: Mr. Charlie Muncy, Mr. Robert Wynn, Mr. Roby Cregger, Jr.

We Instill in Students the Desire to Know — and the Knowledge to Acquire

*Little by little an hour goes by,
Little by little a day;
Little by little you reach your goal
Or let it slip away.*

Changing schedule cards . . . consoling upset students . . . preparing assignments and making out tests . . . learning new ways to make dull ideas interesting . . . wondering if a future surgeon may be that student disorganizing a frog . . . explaining a math problem — for the third time . . . paralleling the past with today . . . rehearsing the band and chorus . . . squeezing out that last bit of paint . . . teaching proper methods of driving a car . . . giving timed writings and dictation . . . teaching the correct way to bathe a baby . . . executing those endless exercises . . . These are a few ways faculty members attempt to instill in students the desire to know — and the knowledge to acquire.



"And you thought I only looked at the pictures." Ms. Libby Smith



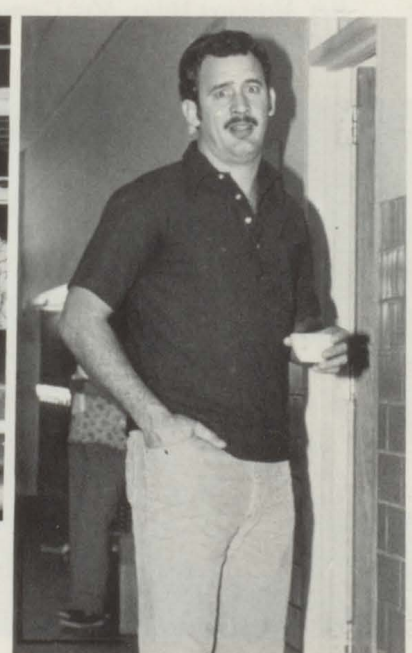
"And she thinks I listen to her." Mr. and Mrs. Thompson at the Faculty Christmas Tea.



School's a barrel of laughs! Mrs. Betty Munsey



"No, Mrs. Gamble, I don't gossip. Everything I say about others is the absolute truth." Mrs. Nancy Gamble and Mrs. Carolyn Bane.



"Not you again." Mr. Marvin Cantrell



Another hard practice? Coach Trish Compton



Coach studies funnies; Edwina studies Coach. That's a lot of funny business! Edwina Stowers, Kathy Havens, Juanita Harris, Teresa Morehead, Coach Cantrell.



A Simpkins Symposium? Mr. Fred Simpkins and Kim Danner



"Yep, he ate the whole thing!" Jeannie Mallory, Arthur Bartleson, Sharon Conley, Mr. Cantrell.



"Now, Mrs. DeBord, would I do something like that?" Todd Hoge and Mrs. Carolyn DeBord.



"I've got to get out of here, the lounge is waiting." Mr. Bunyan



Mr. Havens, you can't even beat it into that punkin! Mr. Havens and Mark Compton.

Tania Burcham
 Jasper Davis, Jr.
 John Dillow
 Norma Harden
 Matt Harman
 Marty Hutchins



Annette King
 Joanne Matz
 Vanessa McKinney
 Mitch Munsey
 Lori Neel
 Marcy Newberry



Mike Perkins
 Kitten Richardson
 Teresa Richardson
 Bruce Shelton
 Patty Smith
 Angie Stanley



Becky Umbarger
 Lisa Waddle
 Debbie Warden
 Arnie Wimmer



Arty Wolfe, Jr.
 Tammy Wolfe
 Mrs. Trisha Compton



SAFETY PATROL. FRONT ROW: Teresa Miller, Everett Baxley, Tania Burcham, Teresa Richardson, Debbie Warden, Tammy Wolfe, Julia Clemons, Regina Stansell. 2D ROW: Matt Harman, Jimmy Brown, Marty Hutchins, Mike Shelton, Jasper Davis, Jr., Debbie Simmons, Arty Wolfe, Delisa Miller. 3D ROW: Becky Umbarger, Joanne

Matz, Bruce Shelton, Kitten Richardson, Lori Neel, Gretchen Carlson, Karen Asbury. BACK ROW: Arnie Wimmer, Tracy Kegley, Marcy Newberry, Lisa Waddle, Regina Groseclose, Drema Cox, Richard Turner, David Braithwaite.



7A CLASS OFFICERS: Ronnie Dillow — president, Jimmy Brown — vice-president, Gretchen Carlson — secretary, Tammy Carroll — treasurer.

Time Shall Teach Thee All Things

Spending all night doing our homework, trying not to fail tests, learning to solve new and different problems, are some things that take time for us 7th graders.



Mrs. Janet Scott



7B CLASS OFFICERS: Lori Neel — president, Arnie Wimmer — vice-president, Joanne Matz — secretary, Becky Umbarger — treasurer, Bruce Shelton — reporter, Tammy Wolfe — song leader.



*Karen Asbury
David Braithwaite
Jimmy Brown
Gretchen Carlson
Tammy Carroll
Julia Clemons*

*Lonnie Clemons
Matt Clemons
Drema Cox
Greg Davis
Ronnie Dillow
Ricky Faulkner*

*Tina Fulford
Regina Groseclose
Charlotte Harris
Terry Hubble
Sammy King
Delisa Miller*

*Lisa Morehead
Packy Morehead
Stina Rosenberry
Jeff Shelton
Debbie Simmons
Betty Tibbs*

*Chuck Turner
Richard Turner
Susan Umbarger
Glenn Young*

Success Is Getting Up Just

Everett Baxley
Kim Boardwine
Laura Cochran
Pam Davis
Barry Dillow
Ben Dillow
Kenny Froy



Tracy Kegley
Becky Melvin
Teresa Miller
Gary Mustard
Jeri Lynn Mustard
LeAnna Mustard
Shaunn Neel



Brian Perkins
Eddie Price
Tom Rittweger
Mike Shelton
Jimmy Shradler
Regina Stansell
Angela Strock



Lisa Talbert
Joy Lynn Tate
Eric Taylor
Lucy Taylor
Angela Thompson



Ryland Wade
Sherri Wimmer
Tracy Wolfe
Robby Wynn
Mrs. Jackie Barlow



Sixth Grade

David Blankenship
Jamie Chewning
Ronnie Clemons
Shawn Compton
Jeff Cox
Onie Davis
Timmy Davis



Joe DeWilde
Amy Drummonds
Helen Hamblin
Jimmy Harden
Ricky Kent
Billy King
Denise King



Marty McPeak
Mike Melvin
Terry Mustard
Billy Mutter
Regina Paris
Wendell Parker
Donna Richardson



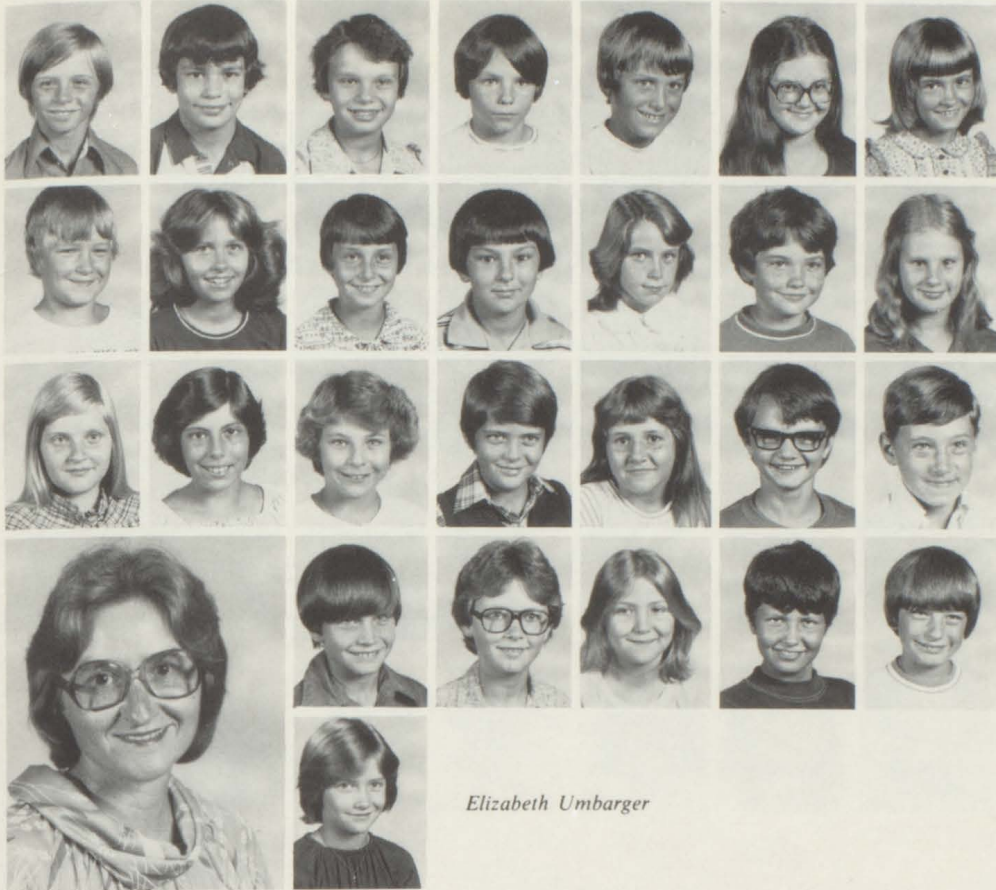
Ernie Shelton
Debbie Shinault
Ervin Sparks
Dennis Taylor
Mrs. Sharon Warner



Fifth-Sixth Grade



One More Time Than You Fall Down



Jimmy Baker
Phillip Bogle
Kim Danner
Darnell Davis
Stephen Fanning
Lisa Gravley
Tammy Haga

Bob Hylton
Samantha Hylton
Idette King
Rusty King
LaMoore Muncy
Lyle Muncy
Tammy Mustard

Lori Nelson
Carla Pauley
Dawn Pruitt
Stephen Richardson
Carrie Shelton
Lee Shinault
Leon Sink

Mrs. Norma Newberry
Eric Strock
Timmy Thompson
Hope Townley
Mike Townley
Todd Turner

Elizabeth Umbarger

Fifth Grade



Angela Atwell
Jamie Barnett
Billy Burton
Brad Dillow
Dawn Dillow
Pam Dillow
Freda Davis

Kevin Fore
Elizabeth Hancock
Ritchie Havens
Michael Hounshell
Roberta Kegley
Ronnie King
Shannon King

Deana Lakey
Robert Lambert
Jon Melvin
Sarah Newberry
Katie Rittweger
Gerhard Schoenthal
Mark Shelton

Mrs. Louise Bird
Jennifer Stafford
Brian Townley
Bryan Townley
Mark Vineyard
Donna Warden

Fourth Grade

Junior Blevins
 Douglas Boardwine
 Kevin Cox
 Santa Fe Davis
 Tammy Davis
 Wayne Davis
 Randy Dillow



Bobby Hale
 Leroy Hamblin
 Mark Hamblin
 Terry Lang
 Janet Millirons
 David Mutter
 Lori Perkins



Diane Shinault
 Sammy Simmons
 Terry Sizemore
 Todd Steffey
 Curtis Taylor
 Mrs. Sue King



Martin Vineyard



Third-Fourth Grade

Jean Baker
 Amanda Baxley
 Chip Bird
 Tiffany Bowen
 Chad Chandler
 Sonja Chewning
 Ray Danner



Mike Fanning
 Cheryl Graham
 Charmin Gravley
 James Henderson
 Kathy Kidd
 Lisa McLemore
 Heath Muncy



Chippie Nelson
 Mike Nelson
 Shawn Nelson
 Aaron Newberry
 Kari Paciga
 Julie Pauley
 Tonya Smith



John Stafford
 Sarah Strock
 Tammy Swanson
 Allan Taylor



Randy Townley
 Robbie Waddle
 Ellis Wade
 Rusty Warden
 Mrs. June Miller



Third Grade

The Beginning of a Journey



Julie Baxley
Alan Cassell
Randy Clemons
Ruth Dunn
Mary Ruth Echols
Brian Fore
Jimmy Graham



Amy Haga
Brian Hall
Robert Hall
Rachel Havens
Dusty King
Eugene King
Donna Lambert



Kevin Lindamood
Tonya Looney
Heath Moore
John Michael Mustard
Allan Newberry
April Newberry
Jessica O'Brien



Mrs. Brenda Tate
Wendi Pettrey
John Simmons
Tresila Sink
Patricia Stowers
Chad Thompson



Samantha Waddle

Second Grade



Bobby Boardwine
Kevin Bowles
Stacy Bruce
David Chandler
Lillie Bea Davis
Michael Dillow
Tracy Grady



Cheryl Hall
Rita Hamblin
Joey Hancock
Melvin Hancock
Rusty Meadows
Miracle Mitchem
Patty Mutter



Mrs. Margie Powers
Michele Shelor
Billy Shifflett
Brian Toler
Kathy Wynn



First-Second Grade

The Beginning is the

Christina Baker
Rusty Bird
Robby Brown
Tina Brown
Eric Carr
Pam Chewning
Chris Dillow



Eric Faulkner
Amanda Harden
Tina Hounshell
Tina Johnston
Clinton Kegley
Alison King
David King



Teresa Lester
Travis Munsey
Marshall Schoenthal
Lute Scott
Sherri Shewey
Jennifer Simms
Shane Smelser



Heather Smith
Patrick Smith
Sammy Steffey
David Strock
Crystal Tibbs



First Grade

William Tickle
Mrs. Toni Bailey



Mrs. Cassell and Mrs. Havens confer as Debbie Umbarger, Donna Alexander, and Lola Blevins work.



Tammy Blevins and Eddie Carpenter making time count.

Donna Alexander
Lola Blevins
Tammy Blevins
Eddie Carpenter
Roscoe Davis
Tony Dent
Jeff Gwynn



Emmett Kelly
Regina Ramsey
Debbie Umbarger
Judy Umbarger
Mrs. Ruth Ann Havens



Special Education

Most Important Part



Sherman Alford
Becky Bird
Cindy Blevins
Chris Bowles
Crystal Bruce
Heather Burton
Sandra Carr

Billy Clemons
Patricia Corder
Angela Dalton
Jeana Dalton
Rachel Davis
Ginger Dillow
Jamie Dunn

Kandi Farley
Jason Hall
Heather Olinger
Kevin Pauley
Hope Pike
Heather Saunders
Angela Stowers

Julie Strock
Colby Taylor
Sarah Thompson
Patty Tibbs
Holly Warden
Jeffrey Webb
Donna Wiley



Mrs. Becky Scott
Mrs. Katherine Reynolds
Deacon Young

From our small beginnings we grow into successful men and women. Some of the fondest reflections go back to our first days of school where we found that love is the beginning of knowledge.



Rhonda Alford
Christina Blankenship
Albert Morehead
Danny Payne
Mrs. Debbie Anderson

Kindergarten



Halloween brings a visit from a witch (Mrs. Pat Newberry).

Multi-handicap



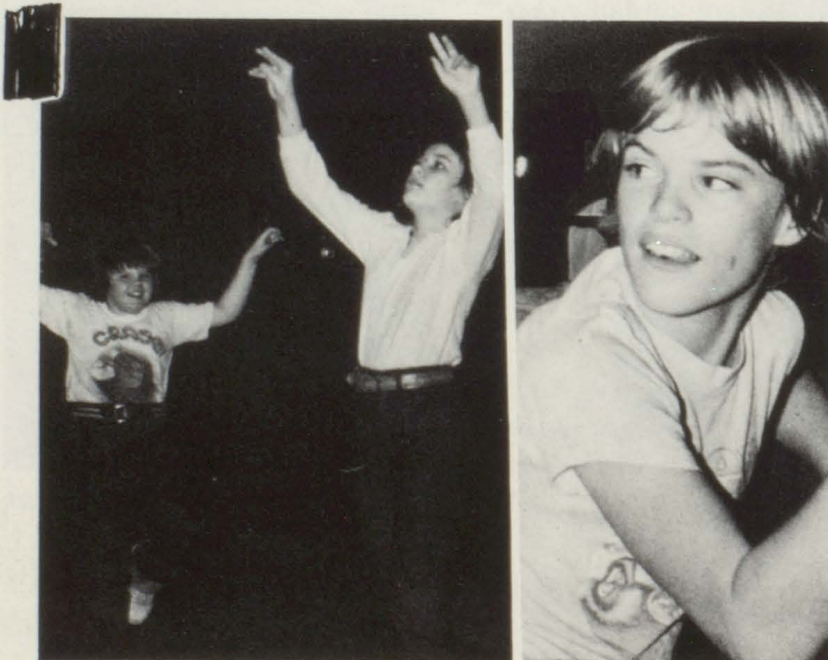
Remedial reading with Mrs. Mary Lee Tickle, Bobby Hale, Wayne Davis, Curtis Taylor, Tammy Davis, Mark Hamblin, Todd Steffey and Mrs. Oma Farmer

Looking Forward to a Bright Future



"What is my mother going to say?" Teresa Lester and Lute Scott

Ballet?! No, just sixth grade P.E. — Lisa Talbert and Jeri Mustard; "I didn't do it." — David Braithwaite



*"Mm, good."
Tina Johnston, Allison King
First grade finger painting with chocolate pudding.*





Ila Conley — Activities Editor

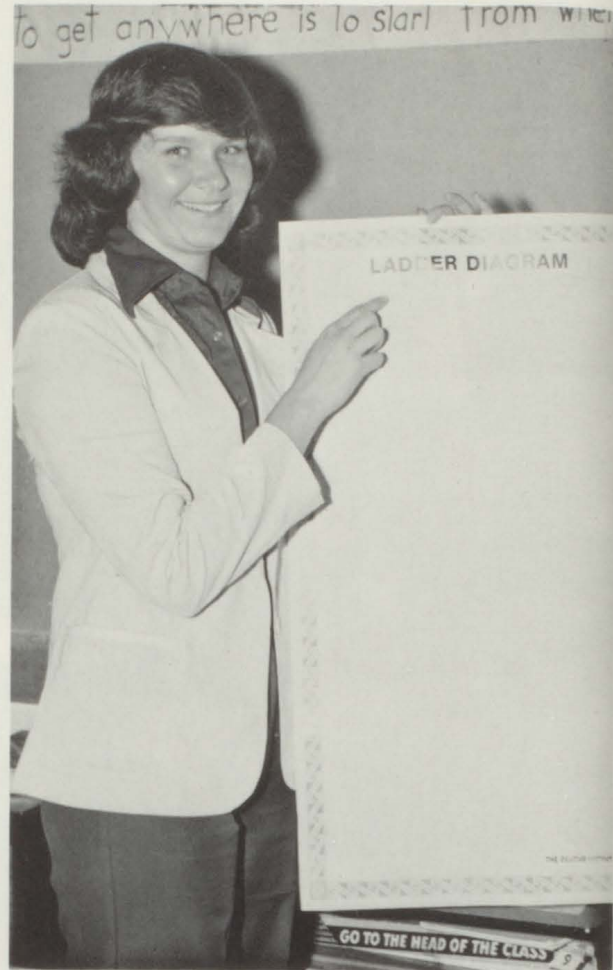
Any senior desiring to become a member of The Echo staff must volunteer their assistance. The advisor then chooses the staff from these volunteers.

Two junior members were added to the staff to gain the experience necessary for planning the 1981 yearbook.

The thirteen members of The Echo staff have worked diligently, hoping to make The Echo the best ever.



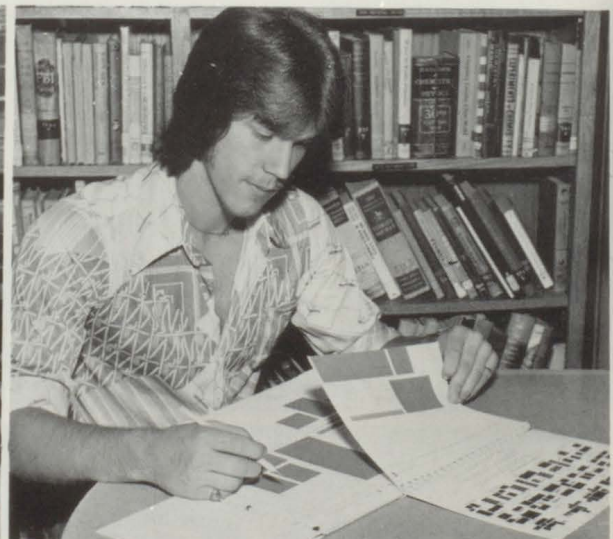
Monica Groseclose, Robin Umbarger, Copy Editors



Andrea Gordon — Editor



*Michelle Gravley, Kathryn Wiley
Mary Lynn Pruett — Business Managers*



David Bane — Layout Editor

Memories and Hard Work Begin a New Decade



Pat Chewning — Photo Editor



Susan Kegley — Assistant Editor



Mrs. Elizabeth Newberry — Advisor



Geraldine Faulkner —
Subscription Manager



Mary Bowen, Terri Harden — Sports Editors

Reflections of the

*Beta
Initiation*

Summons

Many

Smiles



Wonder Woman comes to Bland — Randy Strock

*Education
Will Determine*



OFFICERS: Kathryn Wiley, president; Robin Umbarger, vice-president; Anita Rankin, secretary; Ila Conley, treasurer.



TOP: Lisa Pruitt, Teresa Tolbert. BOTTOM: Mary Pruett, Kim Townley, Rhonda Ellison.

FRONT ROW: Karen Harden, Robin Umbarger, Carla Wolfe, Roberta Young, Michelle Gravley, Mary Pruett; 2ND ROW: Teresa Tolbert, Anita Rankin, Eleanor Bruce, Rhonda Ellison, Kim Townley, Jerri Owens; 3RD ROW: Randy Strock, Colene Munsey, Marilyn Penley, Kathryn Wiley, Rita Pruitt, Ila Conley; BACK ROW: Monica Groseclose, Charlie Brown, Patty Chewning, Andrea Gordon, Susan Kegley, Margie Sheppard, Mrs. Janet Faulkner — sponsor.



Mind Bring Wisdom

*With Perseverance
Future Life*



Teresa Tolbert, Susan Kegley.



SINGLE BAR: Teresa Tolbert

In 1964 the Student Council adopted an honor system which rewards those students who excel academically. Students maintaining an average of 95 or above are awarded an honor letter. If a student upholds a 95 average for more than one year, he is awarded an honor bar for each additional year. Eligibility begins the freshman year.

Bland formed the Beta Club, one of two nationally known honor societies, in 1958.

Students are selected for the Beta Club for their academic achievement, (88-above average), attitude, and character. Grades are averaged for juniors and seniors to determine eligibility by faculty advisor, Mrs. Janet Faulkner, and guidance counselor, Mrs. Nancy Gamble.



LETTER: Jeff Cassell, Karen Harden, Randy Strock.

FRONT ROW: Ms. Mary Greever — advisor, Karen Hounshell, Rhonda Ellison, Mary Pruett, Teresa Tolbert, Mike Umbarger. **2ND ROW:** Tim Richardson, Edwina Stowers, Rita Lambert, Sue Smith, Anita Stowers, Robin Umbarger. **BACK ROW:** Darrell Tibbs, Mark Newberry, Andrea Gordon, Kaye Cox, Patty Hylton, Linda Ellison, Laura Gordon.



OFFICERS. FRONT ROW: Rhonda Ellison — president; Mary Pruett — vice-president; Laura Gordon — secretary; Mike Umbarger — treasurer. **BACK ROW:** Teresa Tolbert — reporter; Karen Hounshell — chaplain; Sue Smith and Anita Stowers — sergeants-at-arms.

SCA Works to Make BHS Enjoyable for All

The Student Council Association of Bland High School, commonly known as the SCA, attempts to promote co-operation between the faculty and student body. Made up of representatives elected by the student body, the SCA works to make BHS more enjoyable for all students by planning, organizing, and supervising mock elections, selling refreshments at ballgames, sponsoring the judging of the doors at Christmas, and directing the annual SCA Christmas program.

Dreama McPeak on the flute accompanied by Edwina Stowers. Chorus members render a medley of Christmas songs.



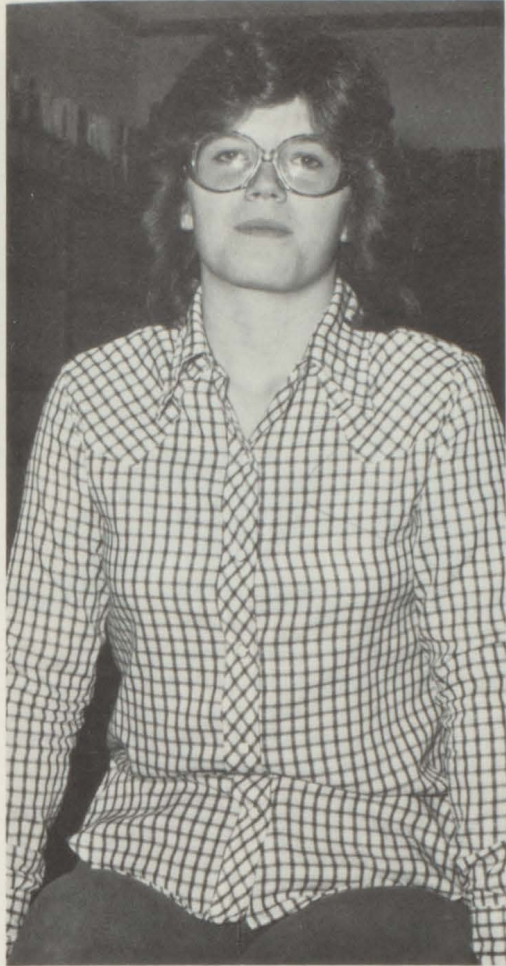
Directed by Ms. Karen Green, the band livens up the season with sounds of Christmas.

The Conley sisters — Sharon and Ila — contribute to the program in a vocal duet.



"Frosty" Jeff Cassell
"Pillow People" Patty Hylton and Mary Pruett





DAR AWARD — Robin Umbarger

FLAG GIRLS — Terri Price and Patty Chewning



WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS — FRONT ROW: Robin Umbarger, Kim Townley, Rhonda Ellison, Mary Lynn Pruett. BACK ROW: Randy Strock, Karen Harden, Andrea Gordon, Kathryn Wiley, Susan Kegley, Teresa Tolbert. Not pictured — Patty Chewning.

Honored Students of BHS

The DAR recipient is selected through a vote by the high school teachers. It is awarded on merits of good citizenship, leadership, and participation in school activities.

WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS is an honorary award given to current juniors and seniors who have been active in school publications, and have achieved a cumulative grade point average of "B" or better.

The flag girls are given the responsibility of raising and lowering the flag each day.

Membership in the SOCIETY OF DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS is the highest honor a high school student can obtain. The purpose of the Society is to honor and reward top achievers from every high school in the nation.



SOCIETY OF DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: Robin Umbarger, Teresa Tolbert, Monica Groseclose.

Students Are Informed With Bits Gathered From All Places And Times

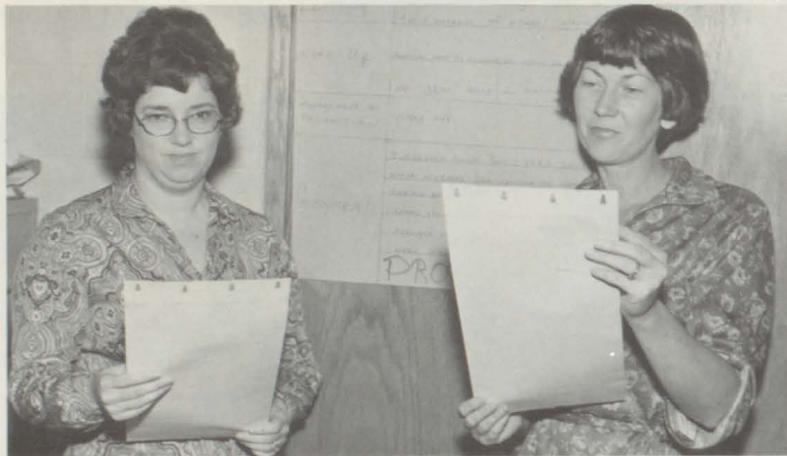
The Hilltop News was first published in 1962 with Mrs. Ruth Kegley and Mr. Frank Williamson as sponsors. In later years, Mrs. Jessie Kegley and Mrs. Janet Faulkner were appointed as sponsors. The Hilltop News is published nine times yearly and has received a first place rating for the past three years in VHSL competition. To become a member of the newspaper staff, students have to prove their talents and skills through tryouts.



Staff Members: FRONT ROW — Anita Stowers, Sue Smith, Steve Cox, Sarah Wynn. 2ND ROW — Andrea Cassell, Donna Dalton, Todd Taylor, Becky McPeak, Lonnie Thomas, Tommy Clark. BACK ROW — Jimmy Harper, Patty Hylton, and Donna Webb.



Co-editors — Shelly Gravley and Kathryn Wiley.



Sponsors — Janet Faulkner and Jessie Kegley.

Page Editors — Susan Kegley, Teresa Tolbert, Mary Pruett, Jo Neel, Pat Chewning.





FRONT ROW — Lisa Wood, Robin Umbarger, Darlene Conley, Vanessa Tabor, Shelly Gravley, Paul Lucas. 2ND ROW — Debbie Atwell, Chris Wright, Rhonda Etter, Sharon Simmons, Rhonda Ellison, Geneva Clark, Darlene Burcham. 3RD ROW — Lucy Gray, Sharon Conley, Anita Rankin, Joey Pauley, Kathryn Wiley, Ila Conley, Cindy Umbarger, Donna Shelton. BACK ROW — Kandy Kent, Teresa Tolbert, Susan Kegley, Geraldine Faulkner, Andrea Gordon, Monica Groseclose, Pat Chewning.

FBLA Gets It All Together

The Future Business Leaders of America, a business oriented chapter, officially became a part of Bland High School on October 18, 1979.

The club, officers, and members were installed by the Wythe Vocational School.

During the school year, the Bland Chapter of FBLA attended regional meetings in Radford, collected money for the March of Dimes, and held a Christmas party for multi-handicapped children.



Ila Conley presided over the punch bowl during the installation ceremony.



OFFICERS: Robin Umbarger, president; Andrea Gordon, vice-president; Ila Conley, secretary; Susan Kegley, treasurer; Teresa Tolbert, reporter; Anita Rankin, historian.



FRONT ROW: Donna Shelton, Donna Webb, Cindy Umbarger, Patty Chewning, Betty Parker, Kim Kidd. SECOND ROW: Sonja Asbury, Barbara Ramsey, Anita Rankin, Darlene Conley, Dawn Morehead, Donna Dalton, Eleanor Bruce, Winifred Foglesong, Cindy Wright, Mrs. Betty Munsey. THIRD ROW: Joyce Alexander, Bridget Wright, Debbie Webb, Trish Holt, Terri Harden, Mary Anne Cochran, Rita Lambert, Colene Munsey, Melanie Cassell. BACK ROW: Kathy Morehead, Lechia Hager, Carla Morehead, Debbie Griffith, Roberta Morehead, Connie Millirons, Sandy Tolbert, Becky Lambert, Candy Kent, Tammy Gravley, Ruth Shannon, Debbie Dillow, Pam Clemons, Mary Clemons, DeeDee Clemons, Marsha Agee, Sharon Simmons, Rita Wright, Kathy Hancock, Sheila Carroll, Becky McPeak.

Getting to Know the Joy and Satisfaction of Homemaking

With high ideals of leadership, democracy, home and community life, the Future Homemakers of America strive to realize these ideals through related programs . . . Faculty teas . . . Mother-Daughter Banquet . . . earning Chapter, Junior and State degrees . . . a Christmas party for underprivileged children . . . and sponsoring the annual Miss Bland County beauty pageant are programs for accomplishing these ideals.



Becky Lambert listens while Santa Claus talks to youngster.



OFFICERS: Mrs. Betty Munsey — Sponsor, Patty Chewning — president, Cindy Umbarger — 1st vice-president, Eleanor Bruce — 2nd vice-president, Carla Morehead — secretary, Debbie Webb — treasurer, Darlene Conley, Anita Rankin — historians, Terri Harden — chaplain, Donna Webb — reporter, Teresa Morehead — recreational leader.



Sandy Tolbert gives out treats at Christmas party.



FRONT ROW: Eric Ellison, Doug Farlow, Wallace Rankin, Fred Williamson, Jerry Mutter, Robert Stanley, Laymond Barger, Wesley Wright, Dwayne Wright, Brian Pauley, Tim Neal, Cecil Compton, Gary Miller, Sean Wood, Ricky Pruitt. SECOND ROW: Jeff Fanning, Thomas Dillow, Mike Hall, Gary Young, Brian Mustard, Jerry Pauley, Harvey Pruett, Steve Cox, Kaye Cox, Sandy Bane, Paula Mustard, Mike Smelser, Frank Smith, Mike Sarver, Phil Perry. THIRD ROW: Eddie Baxley, Theron Newberry, Craig Hamilton, Kim Wright, Rusty Wright, Elbert Shelton, Cliff Pauley, Bobby King, Jon Braithwaite, Ricky Burcham, Mike Umbarger, Terry Umbarger, John Muncy, Mark Newberry, Joey Crockett. FOURTH ROW: Mr. William Crabtree, Terry Wright, Charlie Bane, Bobby Fulford, James Miller, Timmy Boxley, Marq Newberry, Chris Wright, Rex Winesett, Charlie Brown, Randy Stroock, Mark Harris, Richard Bartleson, James Farris. FIFTH ROW: Ricky Baker, Cecil Nelson, Paul Dillow, C. W. Havens, Danny Newberry, Joey Newberry, David Etter, Thomas Stowers, Sammy Groseclose, Tony Lambert, Bobby Bane, Bill Talbert. BACK ROW: David Simmons, Mark Mustard, Allen Mustard, Mark King, Darrell Tibbs, Mike Mallory, Bobby Lambert, Kevin Neal, John Atwell, James Harman, Gerald Clemons, Tracy Hylton, James Nunley, Alex Davis.

FFA Finds New Ways for the American Farmer

Fairground preparation and cleanup . . . selling peanuts . . . magazine sales . . . selling popcorn at ballgames . . . livestock judging . . . The Future Farmers of America prepare to take their place in the world of technology which cannot survive without the American Farmer. A national organization of rural youth enrolled in agriculture sciences, and now open to girls who meet the necessary requirements, its objectives are leadership, good character, citizenship, and patriotism.



CONVENTION DELEGATES AND JUDGING TEAM: Paul Dillow, Allen Mustard, Joey Crockett, Joey Bane, Randy Stroock.



OFFICERS — FRONT ROW: Jerry Pauley — president, John Atwell — vice-president, Jimmy Harman — secretary. BACK ROW: James Miller — reporter, Mark Newberry — sentinel, Phil Peery — treasurer, Tony Lambert — 2nd vice-president.

Mark King and Mr. Crabtree redo library shelves.



Arranging for another book fair . . . selling stuffed animals and cookies . . . sorting paperbacks . . . stamping books . . . collecting fines . . . filing cards . . . straightening and organizing shelves . . . shelving magazines and newspapers . . . All of these efforts of the Library Club are directed to updating and making a better library for the students and faculty of Bland Combined School.

Library Club Pools Efforts to Improve Library



FRONT ROW: Kim Kidd, Chris Wright, Terri Price, Rhonda Etter, Sharon Conley, Anna Tate, Mary Pruett, Becky McPeak, Shelia Carroll. 2ND ROW: Patty Chewning, Lisa Sarver, Wendi Price, Charity Young, Roberta Young, Dawn Newberry, Lisa King, Tammy Smelser, Kathy Melvin. 3RD ROW: Anita Stowers, Joyce Harper, Wanda Bevil, Lucy Gray, Debbie Atwell, Ruth Stowers, Paula Mustard, Rita Wright, Sharon Simmons. BACK ROW: Sue Smith, Donna Dalton, Sandy Bane, Lucy Muncy, Jeri Owens, Lisa Pruitt, Valerie Lambert, Rhonda Ellison, Kim Townley.





Such beautiful black hair! (Sheri Tolbert)



Lechia discusses her love life with friends. (Tammy Gravley, Cindy Wright, Lechia Hager)

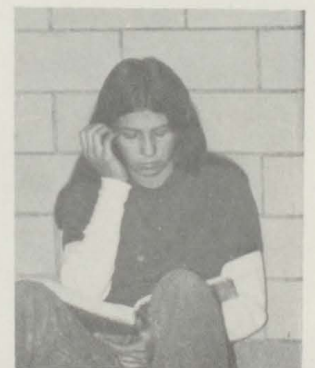
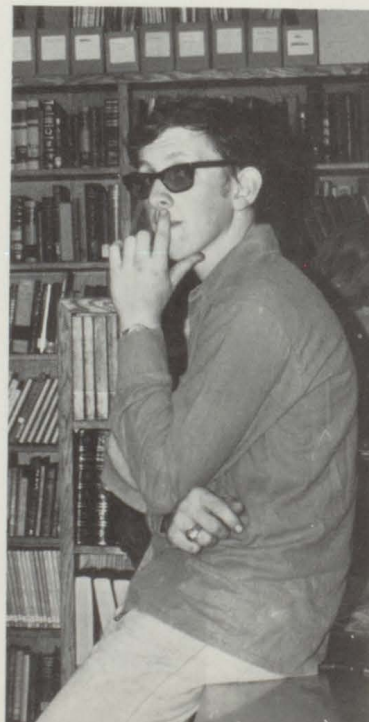
You're On Candid Camera



Randy never could get his hat on right. Charlie Brown and Randy Strock.



Happy days are here again! Ervin Wright, Bob Gordon, Bill Talbert



Kim Townley in a world of her own!

They'll never suspect me! Joey Crockett

Foreign Language Proves New Challenge



Mademoisells . . . Monsieur . . . bonjour . . . s'il vous plait . . . You might hear these and other strange phrases when you attend a French Club meeting. One of the requirements for members is to speak French during meetings. The highlight of this year was the performance at the SCA Christmas program. Each student was dressed as a toy as they sang and acted for high school and elementary.

OFFICERS: Teresa Tolbert — president, Laura Gordon — vice-president, Karen Hounshell — secretary-treasurer, Sheri Tolbert — reporter.



FRONT ROW: Sarah Pruitt, Sheri Tolbert, Lonnie Thomas, Wanda Bevil, Jerri Owens, Geneva Clark, Jo Neel. SECOND ROW: Edwina Stowers, Karen Hounshell, Wendi Price, Lucy Muncy, Debbie Dillow, Laura Gordon. THIRD ROW: Rita Pruitt, Johnny Sarver, Mary Lynn Pruett, Charlie Brown, Joy Miller, Teresa Tolbert. BACK ROW: Karen Harden, Jeff Cassell, Jon Braithwaite, Randy Strock, Jimmy Harper, Lisa Pruitt, Cheryl Umberger — sponsor.



Here comes Wanda Bevil, Sarah Pruitt, Juanita Harris, and Teresa Tolbert.



Any man will do! Trish Holt and Gingerbread Man Johnny Sarver.



Peter Cottontail (Jo Neel) and Raggedy Ann (Gebie Clark) pose for picture.

Reflected Sounds

Elementary Band



FRONT ROW: Jimmy Shrader, Ben Dillow, Barry Dillow, Kenny Froy, Pam Davis. BACK ROW: Helen Hamblin, Timmy Davis, Marty McPeak, John Dillow, Ryland Wade.



DRUMS: David Braithwaite and Chuck Turner.



TROMBONES: Thomas Rittweger and LeAnna Mustard



FLUTES: Lisa Waddle and Marcy Newberry



SAXOPHONES: Wendell Parker, Joe DeWilde, Jeri Lynne Mustard



CLARINETS: Angela Strock, Tracey Kegley, Laura Cochran, Gretchen Carlsen, Angie Thompson, Brian Perkins.



Secondary Band

FRONT ROW: Kim Kidd, Debbie Dillow, Dawn Newberry, Larry Newberry. BACK ROW: Todd Taylor, Lucy Muncy, Karen Hounshell, Edwina Stowers.

Wondering what type of music there will be to sing or play next . . . trying out for All-State Chorus and Band . . . combining fun and learning in one hour . . . squeaking out that high note or bellowing the low one . . . nervously awaiting for each concert . . . marching, marching to get ready for the Christmas parade . . . These are portions of what it means to be a part of the music department.



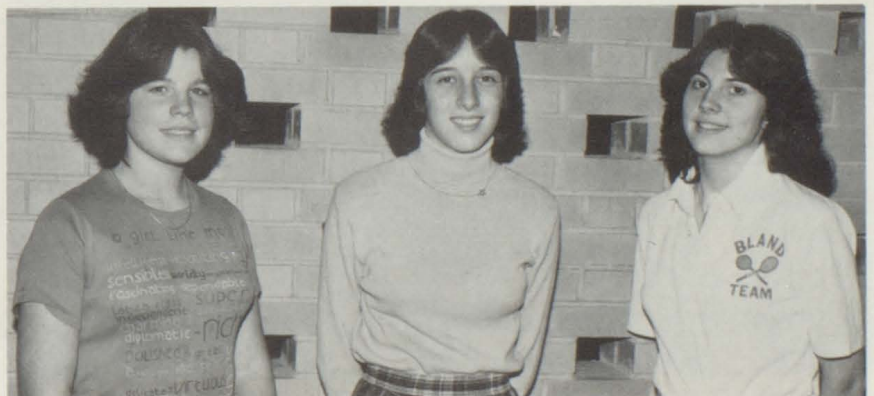
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Chorus

FRONT ROW: Becky McPeak, Roberta Young, Angela Dillow, Dawn Newberry, Charity Young, Renee Thompson, Stephanie Stanley. BACK ROW: Donald Pauley, Mark Compton, Cliff Pauley, Karen Harden, Margie Sheppard, Jerri Owens.

OFFICERS: Roberta Young — president, Terri Price — vice-president, Jerri Owens — librarian.



The Vocational Industrial Clubs of America is a national organization for youth enrolled in vocational-industrial education programs. VICA helps students to attain a purposeful life by assistint them to establish realistic vocational goals. The organization helps students understand the democratic process, labor, and management organizations. It promotes high standards in trade ethics, workmanship, scholarship, and safety.



Chuck Chandler writes up a sale.



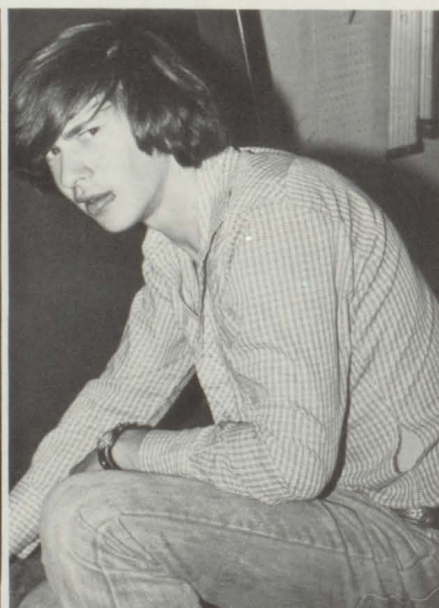
SECOND YEAR — FRONT ROW: Kim Wright, Chuck Chandler. 2ND ROW: Timmy Baxley, Jay Hoge. BACK ROW: Theron Newberry, Terry Wright, Craig Hamilton.



FIRST YEAR — FRONT ROW: David Tibbs, Kevin Neal, Darrell Tibbs. 2ND ROW: Eddie Blankenship, Donna Webb, Johnny Atwell, Phil Peery. 3RD ROW: Tony Taylor, Bobby Lambert, Sue Catterton, Ricky Burcham. BACK ROW: Ervin Wright, James Harman, Michael Mallory, Joey Pauley, Anita Rankin.



"I goof off here, too." — Kim Wright;



"Whatchu talkin' 'bout?" — James Harman



"I work hard like this every day." — Craig Hamilton



"Mom, you can see I really am working." — Joey Pauley



Lisa Pruitt becoming expert in drafting. Debbie Wright gives a haircut.

The Wythe County Vocational School offers various programs which train students for an occupation in their chosen fields. The programs run from two to three years. At the completion of the program state boards are taken. Students who have passed their state boards may enter their profession upon graduating from high school.



FIRST YEAR: Lisa Pruitt, Tammy Smelser, Billy Wynn, Lisa King.



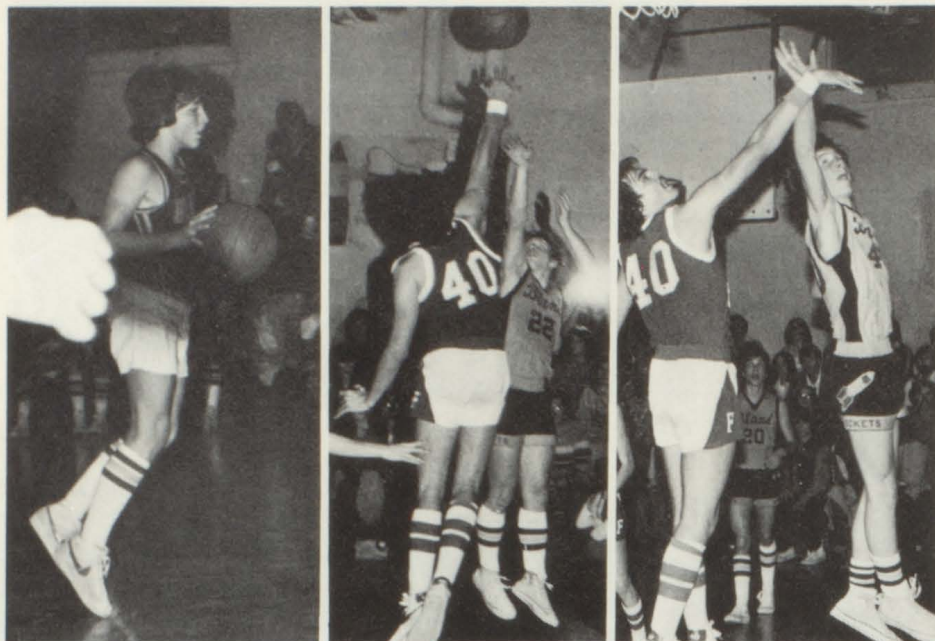
SECOND YEAR: Patty Hylton, Ginger Kent, Eddie Hounshell, Marilyn Penley, Debbie Wright.

New and Profitable Beginnings



Ginger Kent is given instruction by Mrs. Lola Davis.

Marilyn Penley and Patty Hylton gain experience on a client. Billy Wynn makes those bricks stack up quickly.



*Sean Wood caught "on his toes."
Mark Compton goes over the Fries block
Fouled again! Mark Newberry goes up and is
blocked by Fries.*

Life is Composed of Two Parts:

*That Which is
Past — a Dream;
and That Which
is to Come — a Wish.*



Rhonda Ellison looks for a teammate. Karen Harden supports her team.



Elementary Field Day winners: Joanne Matz, Marty Hutchins, David Braithwaite, Mike Perkins





FRONT ROW: Kim Townley, Ginger Kent, Andrea Gordon, Laura Gordon, Rhonda Ellison. BACK ROW: Sarah Wynn, Patty Hylton, Angie Dillow, Susan Kegley, Karen Harden, Mary Pruett, Coach Trish Compton.

Unalterable Determination Brings Success

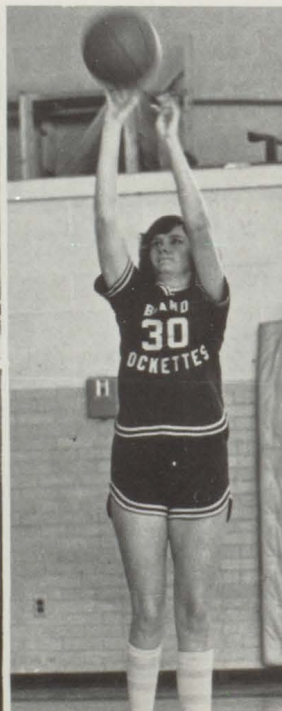
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Bland	68	Fries	16
Bland	64	Auburn	48
Bland	56	Shawsville	43
Bland	64	Independence	33
Bland	76	Rocky Gap	31
Bland	45	Mt. Rogers	28
Bland	68	Ft. Chiswell	59
Bland	81	Fries	17
Bland	57	Auburn	66
Bland	46	Shawsville	35
Bland	66	Independence	34
Bland	60	Rocky Gap	32
Bland	88	Mt. Rogers	34
Bland	51	Fries	10
Bland	47	Shawsville	40
Bland	56	Ft. Chiswell	54
Bland	47	Chilhowie	51

The 1979 season proved to be another successful year for the Bland Rockette Varsity team. Starting the season off with a loss didn't stop the Rockettes in their quest for the District Championship. They roared through the remainder of the games finishing the season with a record of 15 wins, 3 losses and capturing the district championship and seasonal runner-up. The team received a trophy for their accomplishments.

A special honor is given to ten of the most outstanding players in the district. This year Bland was honored to place two girls on the All District team, Andrea Gordon and Kim Townley. Andrea was also voted the Player of the Year Award. Mrs. Trish W. Compton was chosen by the other coaches as Coach of the Year.

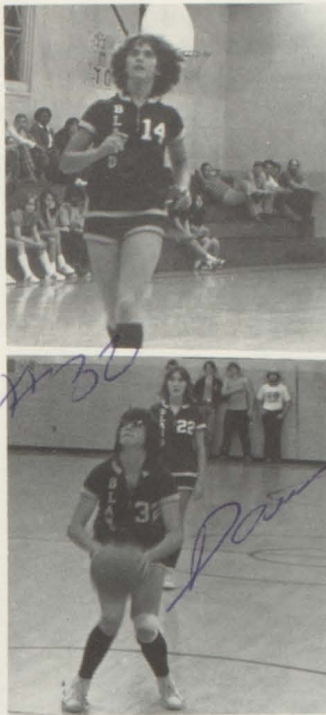


Andrea Gordon, MVP; Trish Compton, Coach of the Year; Kim Townley, All District Team. UPPER RIGHT: Kim Townley outwits opponent Donna Kleene. LOWER RIGHT: Go, go — Angie Dillow.



That shot really packed a lot of wind as opponent and Ginger Kent watch it sink: "You won't get this ball Ft. Chiswell." Laura Gordon.

Andrea scores for 1,000 points.



Sandy Bane going for a rebound. Dawn Newberry gears up for a free throw as teammate Edwina Stowers watches.



Rita Lambert keeps an eye on the opposition. Sue Smith controls ball from wary opponent.



Up, up, and away — Karen Hounshell. Teammates and opposition scurry while Anita Stowers (44) scores two.

1979 was a rebuilding year for the JV team. Having lost all five starters from the 1978 team, Bland tried to find the right combination.

The year found the team with an overall record of 5 wins and 9 losses. However, with most of the members of this team returning next year, the future looks bright — for experience plays a big part in an athletic event.

Bland 9	Ft. Chiswell	32
Bland 21	Fries	9
Bland 10	Auburn	33
Bland 21	Shawsville	31
Bland 23	Independence	19
Bland 16	Rocky Gap	49
Bland 23	Mr. Rogers	7
Bland 23	Ft. Chiswell	30
Bland 38	Fries	11
Bland 17	Auburn	30
Bland 9	Shawsville	32
Bland 23	Independence	25
Bland 23	Rocky Gap	25
Bland 26	Mt. Rogers	25



Anna Tate, Sue Smith, Edwina Stowers, Sandy Bane, Rita Lambert, Anita Stowers, Shelia Wright, Karen Hounshell, Dawn Newberry, Kaye Cox, Valerie Lambert, Coach Trish Compton.



Theron can even play defense with his eyes closed

Bland	52	Rich Valley	63
Bland	65	Rich Valley	49
Bland	63	Ft. Chiswell	90
Bland	35	Fries	48
Bland	61	Oakvale	80
Bland	51	Ft. Chiswell	62
Bland	58	Auburn	72
Bland	55	Shawsville	70
Bland	52	Rocky Gap	75
Bland	63	Mt. Rogers	70
Bland	52	Independence	84
Bland	48	Ft. Chiswell	62
Bland	58	Oakvale	77
Bland	60	Fries	53
Bland	58	Auburn	98
Bland	58	Shawsville	73
Bland	56	Ft. Chiswell	90
Bland	59	Independence	85
Bland	51	Rocky Gap	86
Bland	46	Mt. Rogers	66

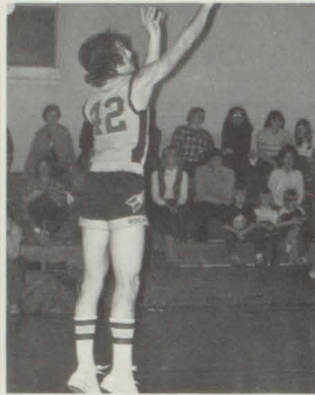
The 1979-80 boys varsity team was faced with taller and more experienced opponents. With a fighting spirit they struggled through the season, never giving up even though the odds were not in their favor. They ended the season with a 2-18 record, and we are proud of their efforts. With ten players returning, we are hopeful of a much better season next year.



Mark Compton adds two more points for Bland.



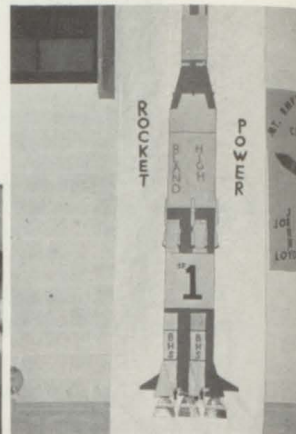
Frank Smith, senior, warms up for THE game.



Senior, Theron Newberry, shows his form on the foul line.



Todd Hoge elates crowd with another steal.



"We've got power, yes we do."



VARSITY ROCKETS: Mike Sarver, Randy Strock, Charlie Brown, John Muncy, Donald Pauley, Theron Newberry, Mark Newberry, Tim Richardson, Paul Dillow, Todd Hoge, Mark Compton, Coach Marvin Cantrell. Not pictured — Frank Smith.

Reflect the Way to Endure Adversity

The 1979-80 season proved to be an up-hill battle for the JV Rockets. Having lost a few close games at the beginning of the season, the Rockets were faced with having to finish the season without their leading scorer, Norman Dillow. However, they fought hard and ended the season with a record of 4 wins, 16 losses.



JV ROCKETS: Lonnie Thomas, Elbert Shelton, Marq Newberry, Bill Talbert, Norman Dillow, Tony Lambert, Tommy Clark, Bobby Fulford, Rusty Wright, Joey Bane, Mark King, Larry Newberry, Coach Marv Cantrell. Not pictured — Bobby Gordon.



"Give me that ball, you turkey!"



Instant offense? Coach thinks I don't know how to run our offense!



Gordon and Bane play keep-away!

Bland	31	Rich Valley	40
Bland	37	Rich Valley	22
Bland	41	Ft. Chiswell	45
Bland	29	Fries	50
Bland	40	Oakvale	51
Bland	43	Ft. Chiswell	50
Bland	33	Auburn	38
Bland	27	Shawsville	55
Bland	27	Rocky Gap	30
Bland	44	Mt. Rogers	33
Bland	33	Independence	50
Bland	33	Ft. Chiswell	44
Bland	40	Oakvale	39
Bland	29	Fries	47
Bland	22	Auburn	61
Bland	31	Shawsville	55
Bland	19	Ft. Chiswell	50
Bland	35	Independence	48
Bland	38	Rocky Gap	42
Bland	50	Mt. Rogers	24

RIGHT — TOP: Only his hair dresser knows! — Joey Bane and Bobby Fulford (35) RIGHT — BOTTOM: Bob Gordon (41) ready for action as Joey Bane gets tip-off for Bland. BELOW: "I know that ball is somewhere." — Rusty Wright (13), Tony Lambert, Larry Newberry (43).





8TH GRADE TEAM — FRONT ROW: Terry Umberger, Mike Smelser, Cecil Compton, Sean Wood, Steve Cox. BACK ROW: David Etter, Sam Groseclose, Jeff Fanning, Gary Miller, Tim Neal, Coach Trish Compton.

Bland	30	Rich Valley	19
Bland	41	Ft. Chiswell	49
Bland	30	Sugar Grove	21
Bland	48	Fries	12
Bland	25	Ft. Chiswell	36
Bland	48	Auburn	29
Bland	27	Shawsville	19
Bland	42	Independence	41
Bland	29	Ft. Chiswell	37
Bland	28	Rocky Gap	29
Bland	51	Fries	15
Bland	37	Rocky Gap	43
Bland	36	Auburn	39
Bland	40	Sugar Grove	20
Bland	44	Shawsville	26
Bland	28	Ft. Chiswell	30
Bland	37	Independence	46



Sammy Groseclose sinks one from Ceres!



Terry Umberger wasn't sweet on Sugar Grove.



Easy shot! Cecil Compton.



Which way did he go? Jeff Fanning.



We got 'em out numbered this time! Mike Smelser.



SCOREKEEPERS: Patty Chewning, Terri Harden, Laura Gordon, Teresa Tolbert.

Beginnings of Beginnings



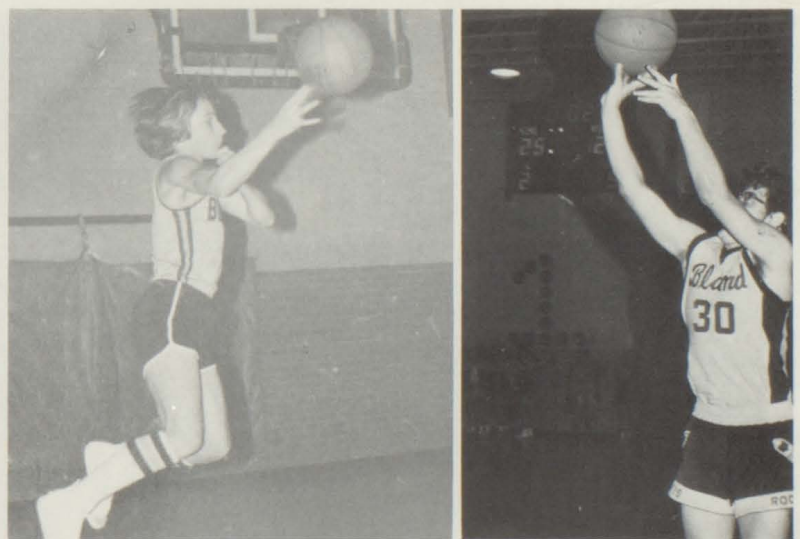
Where did it go?



Mark Newberry fries Fries. Todd Hoge goes up for 2.



Assist for Steve Cox!



"Let's see, whom shall I pass it to? Elbert Shelton. Expertise! Tim Richardson



Watch it Buddy! Theron Newberry

Reflections of Our Hearts



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS — Mary Pruett — 3 years, Patty Hylton — Co-captain — 3 years, Patty Chewning — Captain — 3 years, Debbie Dillow — 3 years, Karen Harden — 2 years

Tryouts were held in the spring of '79 for cheerleaders. A panel of three judges consisting of former college cheerleaders chose six girls for J.V. and five for Varsity.

In the summer of '79 the Varsity cheerleaders ventured to cheerleading camp at Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia.



"Our cheerleaders never get excited."



After much hard work and practice, the J.V. and Varsity at the Homecoming game.

"Group Participation."

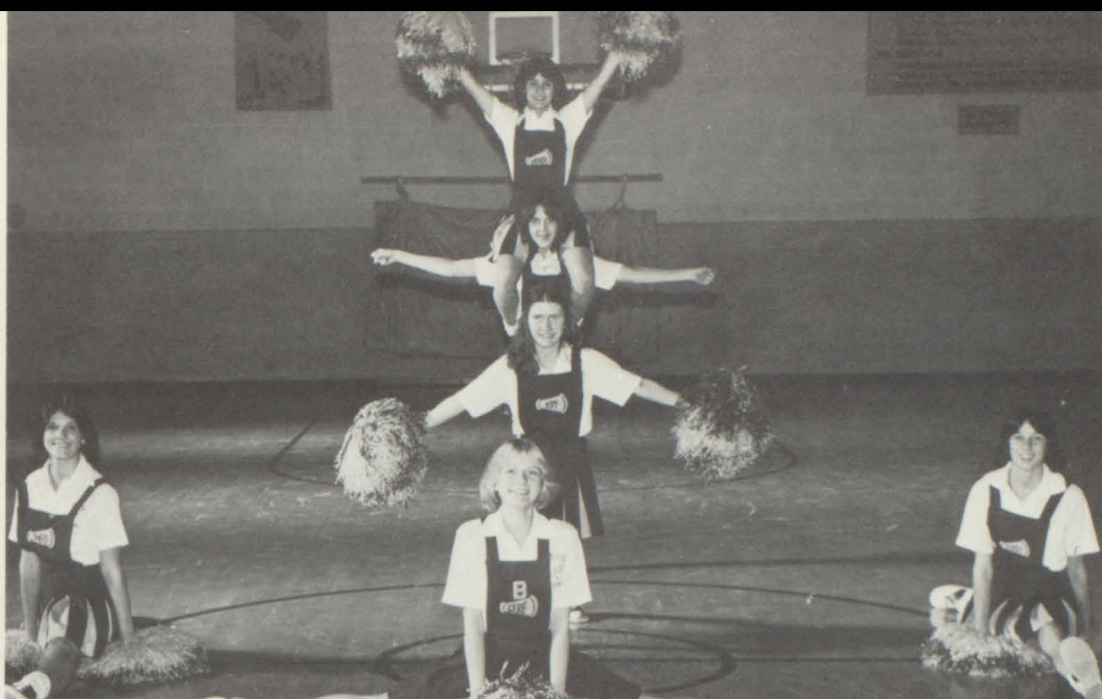


"Boogie, oogie"



Elation in winning.





JV CHEERLEADERS: LEFT — Sheri Tolbert — 1 year, CENTER BOTTOM — Geneva Clark — Captain — 2 years, Kim Kidd — 1 year, Jo Neel — Co-Captain — 2 years, Wendi Price — 1 year, RIGHT — Terri Price — 1 year.



cheerleaders presented the first pom-pom routine for Bland



Sheri Tolbert watches as JV bursts onto court.

*With a step that is steady
and strong,
Old Bland High marches along,
True to the colors we wear,
The maroon and gold so fair,
United in true fellowship,
That the days and the years
may not sever,
To you we will always be true,
To Bland High, to Bland High,
forever.*

Elevate to a victory!



Rocketman (Karen Hounshell) joins squad for assistance.



Reflected Magic



The spirit of homecoming puts rhythm in those bodies.



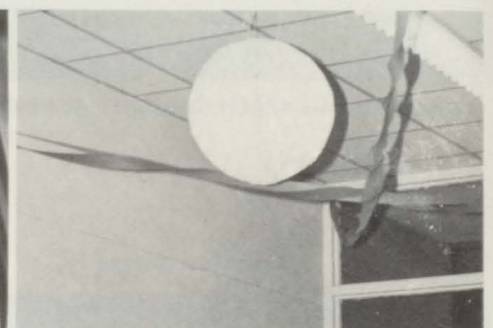
Disco contest places Larry Newberry and Debbie Dillow winners.

BHS held its annual Homecoming on January 18. The dance was held in the gym immediately following the Bland-Fries ballgame. The highlight of the dance was the crowning of the Homecoming Queen and announcing her court. A & R Productions provided the music for the dance.



Geraldine Faulkner
1980 Homecoming Queen

Candidates and Escorts
 Tammy Cline — Terry Umbarger
 Donna Lambert — Donald Pauley
 Charity Young — Jon Braithwaite
 Wendi Price — Mike Thompson
 Terri Price — Randy Williams
 Laura Gordon — Phil Peery
 Mary Lynn Pruett — Jeff Cassell
 Karen Harden — Mark Compton
 Geraldine Faulkner — John Muncy
 Terri Harden — Larry Newberry
 Patty Chewning — Steve Williams



Mr. Fred Simpkins presents roses to winners. Scoreboard tells all. Players were honored with decorated lockers.



Lively music brings many to the floor



Rocket fans enjoying the game

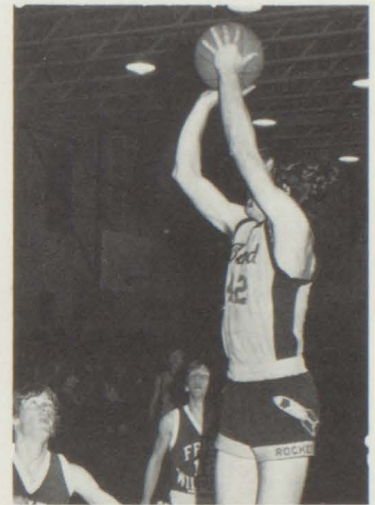


"Now get tough and stay tough!" Coach Cantell with instructions for the win.



Todd Hoge goes up to gain a field goal.

Homecoming is an exciting time for many things . . . spending hours on a winning poster . . . dressing in those crazy clothes for Sadie Hawkins Day, the 50's, and Maroon and Gold Day . . . decorating the halls and the basketball players lockers . . . selling stick pins for the "dummy" . . . searching for the best band . . . hoping to be the one to throw the pie in Mr. Bunyan's face . . . getting the spirit during the pep rally . . . voting for a queen and court . . . Homecoming 1980 had a beautiful beginning and a glorious end in the life of BHS students.



Theron Newberry up to sink two.



Tim Richardson lays in an easy one.

BLAND		FRIES	
Hoge	16	Shaffner	25
Compton	13	D. Anders	8
T. Newberry	13	Dowell	4
M. Newberry	10	G. Anders	12
Richardson	4	Hill	2
Muncy	4	Fortner	2
	<hr/> 60		<hr/> 53



Mark Compton adds two points to increase the Rocket lead.



Paul Dillow puts up a free throw while others relax with assurance of a sinker.

1979 Tennis Teams Tough It Out



David Bane

Joey Bane

Larry Newberry



Donald Pauley

Todd Hoge

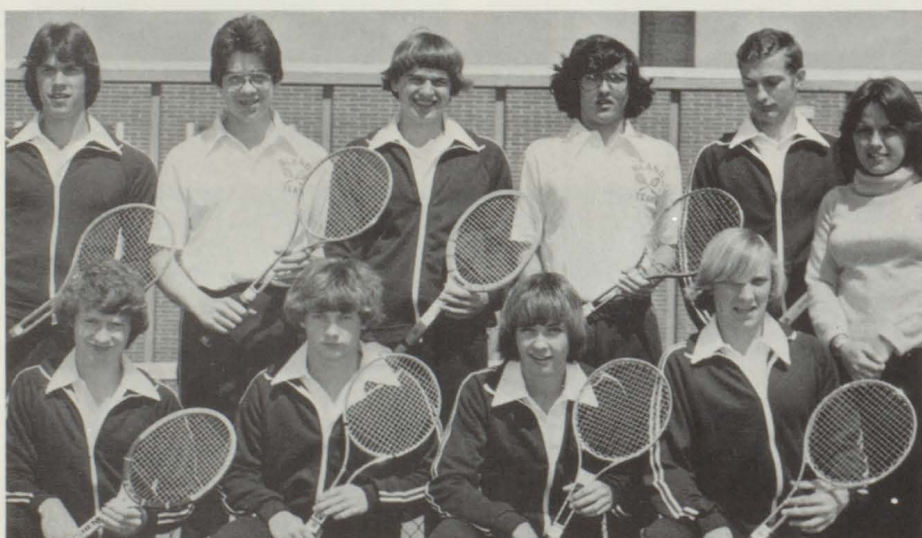
Charlie Brown



John Muncy

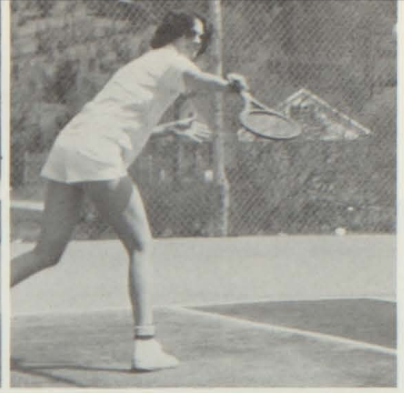
Mark Compton

Timmy Richardson



FRONT ROW: Charlie Brown, Mark Compton, Todd Hoge, John Muncy. BACK ROW: David Bane, Larry Newberry, Donald Pauley, Timmy Richardson, Joey Bane, Trish Compton — coach.

April	5	Bland	0	Independence	9
	12	Bland	0	Shawsville	9
	17	Bland	0	Ft. Chiswell	9
	18	Bland	0	Fries	9
	24	Bland	1	Independence	8
May	1	Bland	1	Shawsville	8
	2	Bland	0	Auburn	9
	3	Bland	0	Fries	9
	7	Bland	0	Ft. Chiswell	9
	8	Bland	0	Auburn	9



Terri Price
Dawn Newberry

Vicie King
Debbie Dillow

Jerri Owens
Mary Pruett
Patty Hylton

Kim Smith
Terri Harden
Debbie Burton

April	5	Bland	0	Independence	9
	18	Bland	3	Fries	6
	20	Bland	4	Shawsville	5
	24	Bland	0	Independence	9
	30	Bland	3	Ft. Chiswell	6
May	1	Bland	6	Shawsville	3
	2	Bland	0	Auburn	9
	3	Bland	2	Fries	5
	7	Bland	0	Ft. Chiswell	8
	8	Bland	1	Auburn	8



FRONT ROW: Debbie Dillow, Mary Pruett, Patty Hylton, Geneva Clark, Jerri Owens, Terri Price. BACK ROW: Lucy Muncy, Kim Smith, Terri Harden, Vicie King, Nancy Strauss, Dawn Newberry, Marilyn Carney — coach.

Nancy Strauss Lucy Muncy
Geneva Clark

New Sports Inspire Interest



1979 VOLLEYBALL TEAM. FRONT ROW: Dawn Newberry, Vicie King, Tammy Smelser, Lesa Harden, Lucy Muncy, Betty Parker. 2ND ROW: Patty Hylton, Debbie Dillow, Michele Woolwine, Laura Gordon, Edwina Stowers, Kim Smith, Becky Harris. 3RD ROW: Karen Hounshell, Kim Townley, Ginger Kent, Susan Kegley, Andrea Gordon, Rhonda Ellison, Mary Pruett, Marilyn Carney — coach.

1978-79 proved to be a year of newly organized sports activities around BHS. Mrs. Marilyn Carney formed and coached the volleyball team. They ended their first season with a 5-9 record.

February 22	Bland 0	Auburn 2
	Bland 2	Shawsville 1
March 1	Bland 0	Shawsville 2
	Bland 1	Auburn 2
March 2	Bland 0	Auburn 2
	Bland 2	Shawsville 0



FIELD DAY PARTICIPANTS: Juanita Harris, Mrs. Carney, Mary Pruett, Mr. Groseclose, Shirley Wolfe, Michele Woolwine, Terri Price, Laura Gordon, Charlie Brown, Gary Foster, Tracy Hylton, Theron Newberry, Donald Pauley, Tony Taylor, Randy Strock, Ricky Burcham, Bob Kegley, Bill Talbert.



Melissa Havens — High Jump



Donald Pauley is a winner! 100-yard dash. David Etter places 2nd as Rocky Gap's Lauri Parks wins.



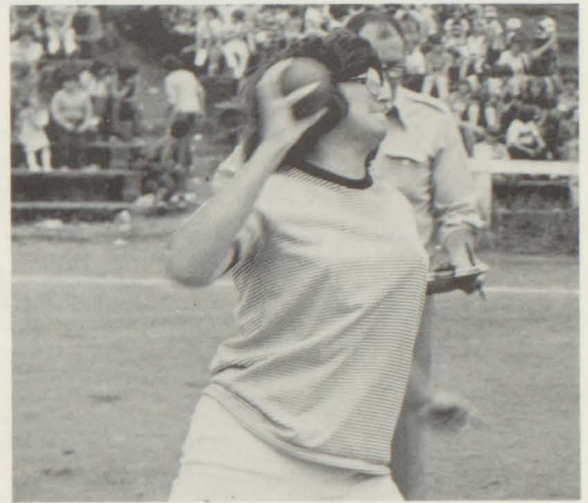
7th Grade winners of softball throw — Sheila Wright, Dee Dee Lambert, Kaye Cox.
Matt Harman — 50-yard dash Marty McPeak — High Jump

Field Day — 1979

Off to a Good Start

In the spring of '79, BHS's natural athletes competed with Rocky Gap in a field day program. Bland obtained an overwhelming victory over the Gap and received a trophy for their efforts.

Bland winners were: Joanne Matz, Marty Hutchins, David Braithwaite, Marty McPeak, Kaye Cox, Shelia Wright, David Etter, Mike Perkins, Tony Taylor, Bill Talbert, Charlie Brown, Donald Pauley, Shirley Wolfe, Mary Pruett, Laura Gordon, Michelle Woolwine, Terri Price, Edwina Stowers, Kim Townley, Andrea Gordon, Melissa Havens, Theron Newberry, Ricky Burcham, Gary Foster, Tracy Hylton.



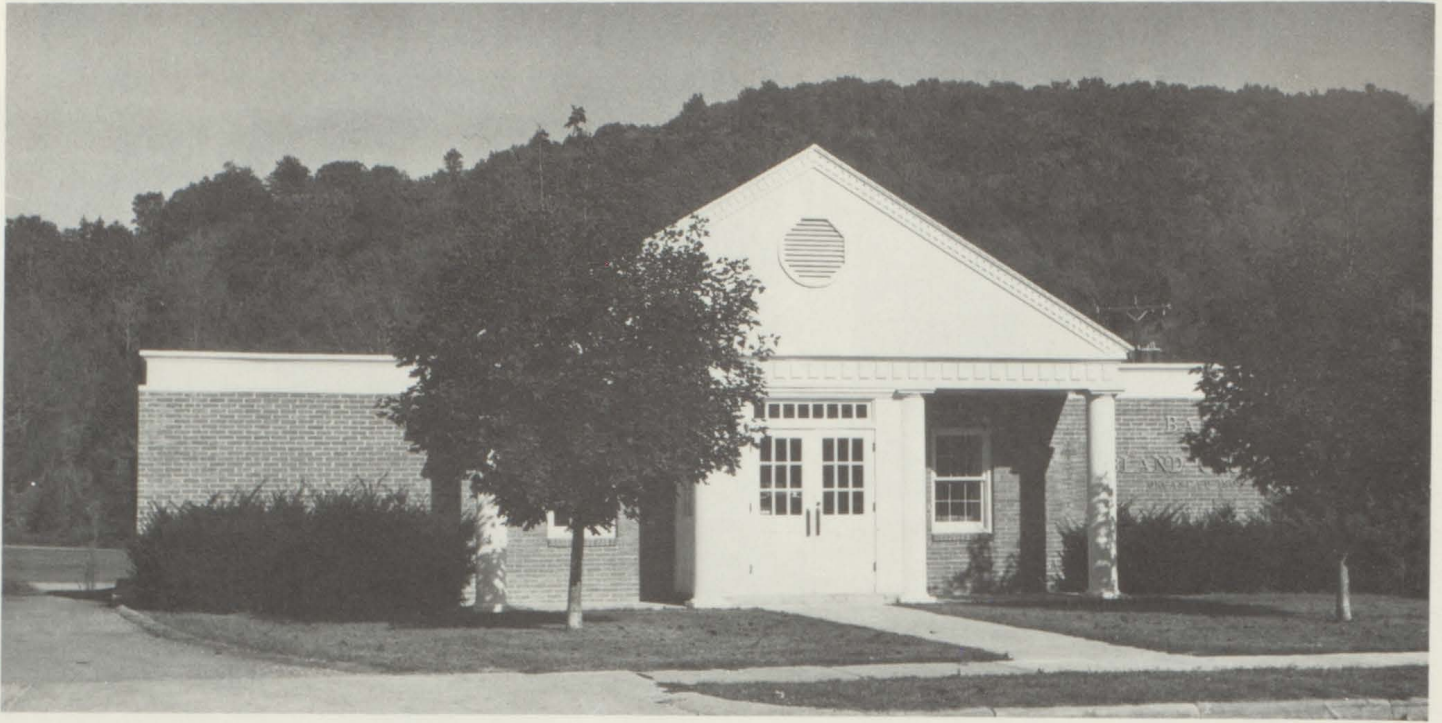
Laura Gordon — shot put



Kim Townley wins 50-yard dash as Edwina Stowers comes in a close 2nd.



Shirley Wolfe and Ricky Burcham fly through the air in running long jump and running broad jump.



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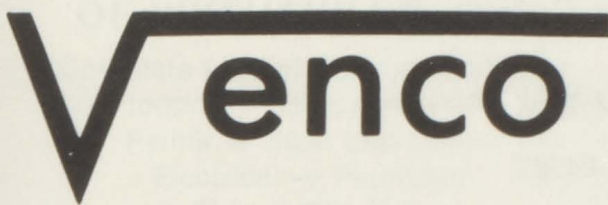
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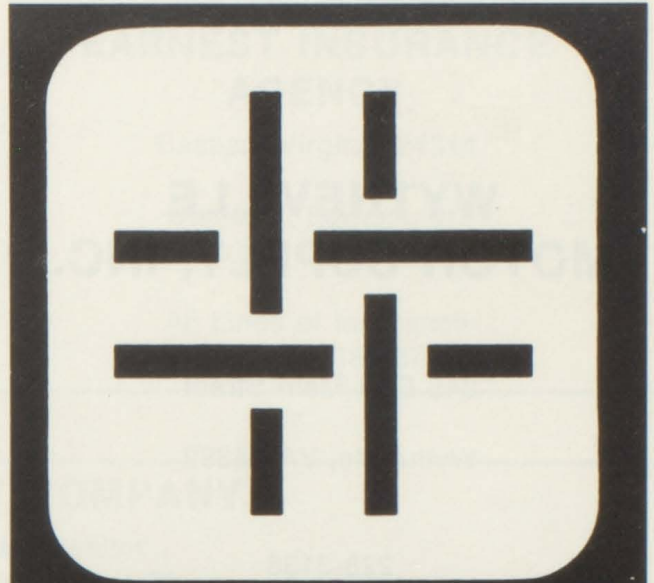
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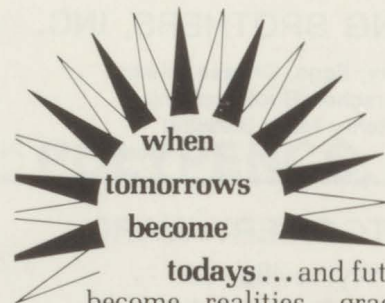
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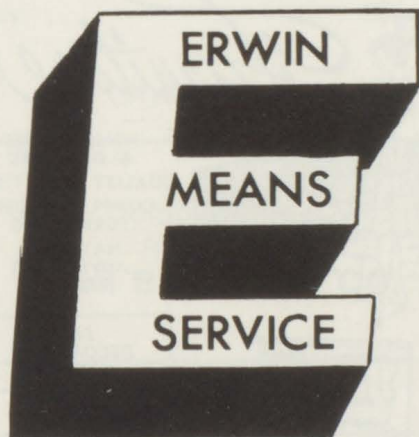
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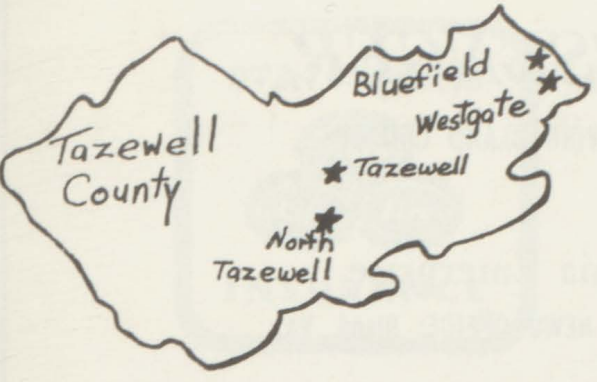
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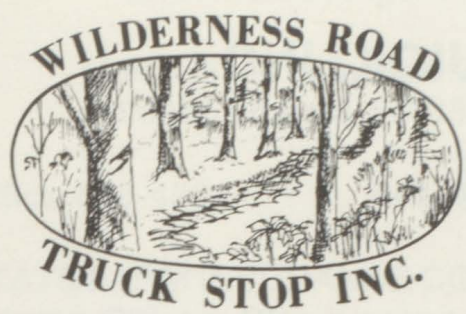
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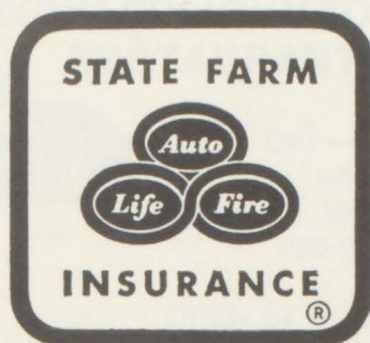
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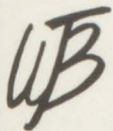
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Now we must bring our story to an end. It is the end of winter and the woods around our country are in full bloom. The joy of summer is bursting in every flower blossom and every warm raindrop.

This is both a sad and a happy time. The coaches and athletes have breathed a sigh of relief as the last glove and ball is stored carefully in its place. The members of each organization have cleaned out their files and collected the last of their dues, and our advertisers have started their summer sales.

Our school is only a hollow shell. Classrooms sit vacant and silent, blackboards stay clean, trash cans remain empty. The hallways echo with only memories now; memories of good and bad times, smiles and tears, beginnings and ends.

The "Graduating Class of 1980" has said fond goodbyes to our school. They are going out into a vast new unexplored region of life, "Adulthood." They don't know what the future holds for them. This marks the end of security and comfortable routine. They know that they must face reality and the aspect is somewhat frightening. They are leaving their friends and families and going out to begin a new life, a new routine. At this moment, their only connection with the past is a piece of paper, a paper representing their freedom from childhood. For the Seniors this is the closing of the door to the high school and the opening of the door to college or marriage or a job and most definitely to responsibility. They know this is a precious moment, a beginning and an end, but they also know that they are prepared for it.

For the underclassmen, it's just another summer. Juniors will try to fill the vacant place left by the seniors; and there will be another bunch of short, giggly, pushy eighth graders.

This is the beginning of a new decade, the 1980's, and mankind is pushing ahead, searching for a new meaning to life. A feeling of contentment settles on our country, for beginnings and ends will continue forever.

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