


## Productions of 1986-87



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## Global Productions

All the world's a stage ...
The year was 1986-87 and the setting was nestled in the majestic mountains and calm valleys of southwestern Virginia. The players grew up in these same foothills of Bland County and were coached and nurtured by the producers (from local and surrounding areas). The actors totaled 471 with 224 of them being from grades $K-7,9$ preschoolers, and 238 secondary (grades 8-12). While most of the action took place in Bland, global activities affected the entire cast and left memories and changes in the hearts and minds of players and spectators.

On April 26, 1986, the Chernobyl nuclear reactor in the Soviet Union caught fire and exploded, spreading clouds of radiation around the globe. The amount of radiation was judged to be much greater than that of the bomb at Hiroshima. The Kremlin kept silent until neighboring scientific monitors deteced the levels of radiation. Lives were lost, homes evacuated, and thousands were exposed to radiation-related illnesses.

Unrest and strife continued in the Middle East. Tragic reports of deliberate bombings, killing the innocent and unsuspecting, were often in the news. Abductions and hostages also

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made frequent headlines. Terrorism curbed foreign travel, and American decided to vacation on their own turf. Late January ('87) the State Department issued an order to halt travel to Lebanon by Americans because of the danger of potential hostages.

The summer of ' 86 brought the driest season since 1930. Farmers saw their hay and corn crops lie dormant or dry up. Hay was shipped in from western areas to feed the stock. Then on January 22 a major storm dumped 10-12 inches of snow over much of Virginia. Roads were barely clearned when a second storm on January 25 made its onslaught on the Old Dominion, virtually paralyzing many areas with new snow depths of 12-14 inches. New low temperature records were set on January 26 with reports of $-12^{\circ}$ to $-18^{\circ}$ in Bland County. With 24 inches of snow on the ground and temperatures staying below freezing, roads remained ice and snow covered, and school was closed for seven straight days.

In September an earthquake in San Salvador toppled high rise buildings trapping occupants beneath the rubble. In December an explosion ripped through a casino-hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico, either killing or badly burning occupants-a number of whom were Americans.

On Decmeber 14, 1986, the aircraft Voyager took off from California in the first attempt to circle the world non-stop without refueling, a 27,000 mile trip. It contained two crew members, Jeana Yeager and Dick Rutan. The trip was made successfully with fuel to spare.

President Reagan declared war on drugs, and TV media joined the fight by presenting various programs depicting the crime and horror of abusers and pushers. Two outstanding
sports figures (Len Bias and Don Rogers) died because of drugs and several others were cut from teams after test proved they were using drugs.
The President's tax reform bill, which he declared would help most taxpayers, created much controversy in Congress but eventually passed after amendments. Who will be helped remains to be seen. This coupled with the Contra issue quickly decreased the President's state of popularity. Another Washington scam following on the heels of Watergate left citizens dismayed and disappointed. Proceeds from the sale of arms to Iran were secretly channeled to aid Nicaraguan rebels.

The New York Giants won the Super bowl over the Denver Broncos on January 25, 1987, with a score of 39 20.

Citizens of Bland County were once again faced with a major decision concerning education. For six months, debates, speeches and editorial letters presented the pros and cons of a consolidated high school at a cost of $\$ 61 / 2$ million. The polls in November recorded the decision of the voters 2 to 1 against a new consolidated school. They agreed that something needed to be done but a costly building was not the answer. This prompted the school board to consider other alternatives such as one elementary and one secondary using the two existing high schools. This was vetoed immediately because of lengthy bus rides for young children. Other choices were to do nothing, offer college prep courses at one school, or convert one school to a junior high (7-9) and the other to a senior high (10-12) thus leaving all elementary schools open as they now are.

Hall of fame

Athletics
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TOP: Rusty Meadows easily clears the bar. BOTTOM LEFT: Taut muscles reveal the intensity of Toby Dotson's leap. BOTTOM RIGHT: Bland captures 1st, 3 rd and 4th place in the $100-y d$. dash Sonya Carroll, Angie Fugate (Rocky Gap), Roberta Kegley, Tammy Davis.



TOP: Allen Massey goes high to clear the bar as Mr. Bob Kegley watches. BOTTOM LEFT: 4th grader in standing broad jump. BOTTOM CENTER: Cindy Crabtree puts power behind this shot put throw. BOTTOM RIGHT: Tina Johnston's windbreaker balloons to give her extra distance in the running long jump.

## Cast worried over excessive rain

The cast was chosen and screen play was set for Monday, May 12. Rain and more rain! All weekend it rained. With the field soggy it seemed a foregone conclusion that field day would have to be scratched. To everyone's surprise Mr. Collins announced Tuesday morning that everything would go as scheduled. Juniors gathered their food for the con-
cession and the student body moved to the fairgrounds.
The winners were: $50-y d$. dash Bobby Saunders, Trisha Cahill; 100yd. - Pat Sutphin, Sonya Carroll; Discus throw - Pat Suthpin, Lisa Talbert; Running long jump - Bobby Saunders, Becky Hanshew; Shot put - Wert Harris, Lisa Talbert; Standing broad jump - Pat Sutphin,


Becky Hanshew; 440 - Pat Sutphin, Sonya Carroll; High jump - Tony Saunders, Dawn Monroe; Softball throw - Pat Sutphin, Becky Hanshew.

Rocky Gap easily won the trophy with 1st place in 11 of the 18 events. The elementary field day was held the previous week with Bland victorious.




TOP LEFT: Sarah Strock lobs to her opponent. TOP RIGHT: Donna Warden for a perfect hit. CENTER LEFT: Is Roberta Kegley going to hit or catch this one? BOTTOM - TENNIS TEAM: Donna Warden, Karen Strock, Sara Strock, Tammi Haga, Roberta Kegley, Sarah Newberry. Not pictured Sherri Wimmer.



TOP LEFT: Outfielders Eric Taylor and Allen Massey scramble for a ground ball. BOTTOM LEFT - VARSITY KNEELING: Steve Fanning, Keith Conley, Eric Taylor, Ben Dillow, Bodie Miller, Gene Lambert. STANDING: Coach Gary Collins, Eric Strock, Allen Massey, Jeff Cox, Anthony Cox, Jeff Dodson, Chris Tickle. BOTTOM RIGHT - JV bASEBALL - FRONT ROW: Scott Lambert, Bradley Davis, Mike Fanning, Robbie Waddle. 2ND ROW: Richie Havens, Randy Dillow, Wayne Davis. 3RD ROW: Brad Dillow, Leslie Duncan, Chip Bird. BACK ROW: Gary Blankenship, Brian Duncan, Kevin Cox, Coach John Wagoner.

## Uneventful year with inexperience

Rehearsals began early for tennis and baseball hopefuls. Cool temperatures created a few goose bumps; otherwise, practices proceeded as usual. Tennis finals consisted of only one senior, Sherri Wimmer, one junior, Tammi Haga, and five sophomores. With a young, relatively inexperi-
enced team, girls had to work twice as hard. Scores looked rather depression, but they gained experience for future years. For uniforms the girls decided to be colorful in their jam shorts and T-tops. They were coached by Robin Thacker.

Varsity baseball team sported five
seniors and seven juniors and was coached by Gary Collins. They had an uneventful year but scores were not available.

Freshmen and sophomores coerced John Wagoner into forming and coaching a JV squad. Thirteen boys made up the team.


| SCOREBOARD |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fr. Chiswell | 3 | Bland | 2 |
| Galax | 3 |  | 2 |
| Shawsville | 2 | 0 |  |
| Auburn | 2 | 1 |  |
| Independence | 1 | 2 |  |
| Fries | 1 | 3 |  |

Lengthy rehearsals brought hope for results. Afternoon practice occupied time and often the entire hall when cheerleaders worked on routines. Well into the boy's season, seventh and eighth grade girls decided to support and praise a well-deserving eighth grade team at home games. Uniforms were not fancy, but white sweatshirts depicted the symbol and school name, and maroon pants set the school color. Miss Kay Blevins sponsored the varsity and JV squads and the 8th grade selected Phyllis Umbarger.

A very young volleyball team set to work with zeal and determination. Winning games showed in the frenzied excitement the girls displayed.

TOP RIGHT: Sonya Carroll pounds the ball as help is ready from Tonya Looney, Pam Harden and Pam Dillow. CENTER RIGHT: Patricia Stowers and Dusty King stand ready but no help is needed when Latrayle Shewey slams this one across the top (referee is Mike Woolwine). BOTTOM - VOLLEYBALL: April Newberry, Sonya Carroll, Pam Dillow, Dusty King, Tonya Looney, Bobbie Jo Chestnutt, Latrayle Shewey, Marsha Martin, Pam Wright, Crystal Tibbs, Pam Harden, Coach John Wagoner.



TOP - VARSITY: Tonya Smiht, Tiffany Bowen, Karen Strock, Lana Lindamood, Susan Remines, Donna Warden. CENTER LEFT: Creating enthusiasm and spirit - Donna Lambert. CENTER RIGHT - JV - BOTTOM ROW: Shannon McGrady, Amanda Pauley. CENTER ROW: Amy Haga, Tresila Sink, Mary Echols. TOP: Donna Lambert. BOTTOM - 8TH PEP SQUAD - FRONT ROW: Heather Smith, Heather Burton, Sarah Umbarger, Stephanie Meadows, Becky Bird, Sarah Thompson. BACK ROW: Angela Dalton, Tina Hounshell, Holly Warden, Angela Stowers, Hope Pike, Ginger Dillow.

| SCOREBOARD |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rich Valley | 62 | Bland | 13 |
| Rich Valley | 62 |  | 22 |
| Rocky Gap | 40 | 45 |  |
| Auburn | 46 | 42 |  |
| Shawsville | 54 | 25 |  |
| Floyd Co. | 83 | 36 |  |
| Ft. Chiswell | 77 | 23 |  |
| Fries | 37 | 34 |  |
| Galax | 81 | 35 |  |
| Independence | 57 | 55 |  |
| Mi. Rogers | 22 | 61 |  |
| Rocky Gap | 36 | 26 |  |
| Auburn | 55 | 33 |  |
| Shawsville | 51 | 24 |  |
| Floyd Co. | 69 | 35 |  |
| Ft. Chiswell | 77 | 39 |  |
| Fries | 47 | 39 |  |
| Mt. Rogers | 21 | 57 |  |
| Galax | 71 | 51 |  |
| Independence | 76 | 57 |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Overall $-3-17$ |  |  |  |
| District $-3-15$ |  |  |  |



TOP RIGHT: LaMoore Muncy eludes Lisa Tolbert in Bland's effort to control the game. CENTER LEFT: Team efforts and support-Sarah Newberry, Tammy Mustard, Kim Crabtree, LaMoore Muncy and Tammi Haga. CENTER RIGHT: Close guarding by Rocky Gap, but Samantha Hylton hangs on to the ball. BOTTOM-VARSITY: Tammi Haga, Tammy Mustard, Sarah Newberry, LaMoore Muncy, Kim Crabtree, Roberta Kegley, Samantha Hylton, Kathy Kidd, Karen Strock, Sarah Strock.



## Hopes met sudden death

The hope of any production is a long and successful run. Bland's Rockettes had such hopes, but they diminished with each game played. Varsity girls were elated with their first district win, but elation met sudden death with seven straight losses. They struggled through the season with only three winning games. The team consisted of four se-
niors, three juniors and three sophomores.

Junior varsity statistics were even less impressive than varsity. Their only win came late in the season over Fries. Three sophomores, four freshmen, four eighth graders made up the team. Both teams were coached by Gary Collins.


TOP LEFT: Rachel Havens' attempt to block this shot arrived a little too late. CENTER: Is this basketball or relay?? As Rachel Havens loses the ball, it slides through Rocky Gap's reach, too. Other Bland players are Jennifer Simms, Pam Chewning and Samantha Waddle. BOT-TOM-JV: Amanda Harden, Christie Wolfe, Amy Haga, Rachel Havens, Patricia Austin, Susan Remines, Jennifer Simms, Pam Chewning, Julie Pauley, Tina Brown.

SCOREBOARD

| Rich Valley | 52 | Bland | 70 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rich Valley | 54 |  | 79 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 75 | 64 |  |
| Shawsville | 75 | 67 |  |
| Independence | 69 | 59 |  |
| Fries | 55 | 74 |  |
| Galax | 68 | 72 |  |
| Rocky Gap | 82 | 80 |  |
| Auburn | 68 | 67 |  |
| Mt. Rogers | 39 | 63 |  |
| Floyd | 70 | 62 |  |
| Shawsville | 64 | 46 |  |
| Galax | 72 | 67 |  |
| Fries | 67 | 64 |  |
| Rocky Gap | 71 | 44 |  |
| Auburn | 52 | 50 |  |
| Independence | 86 | 79 |  |
| Ft. Chiswell | 82 | 75 |  |
| Floyd | 85 | 44 |  |
| Mt. Rogers | 79 | 94 |  |
| WON - |  |  |  |
|  | LOST | 14 |  |



TOP - VARSITY: Brian Townley, Bobby Epperson, Bob Hylton, Mark Gusler, Kevin Fore, Billy Burton, Tim Thompson, Steve Fanning, Mike Hounshell, Ritchie Havens, Robert Lambert, Andy Putnam, Rusty Havens, Coach Gary Collins. LEFT: Ritchie Havens keeps his eyes on teammates and the defensive team to find the best play. Ritchie was named to All-


District team and Steve Fanning received Honorable Mention. CENTER RIGHT: Galax battles for a loose ball against Tim Thompson with assistance from Steve Fanning. BOTTOM RIGHT: Andy Puttnam goes up for a sure two points with Mike Hounshell positioned for a rebound.



## Nonexistent <br> curtain calls

Off and running by winning the first two games of the season, JV and Varsity squads were ready for curtain calls. Then disaster hit and the varsity struggled with district teams. JV reviews looked somewhat better, and a new coach, Rich Hankins, put them through intensive training. Both teams found good assistance from the bench. Early in the season varsity lost a key player, senior Allen Massie. Varsity boasted four seniors and nine juniors; JV had eight sophomores and five freshmen.

| SCOREBOARD |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rich Valley | 30 | Bland | 49 |
| Rich Valley | 23 |  | 44 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 25 |  | 26 |
| Shawsville | 49 |  | 57 |
| Independence | 33 |  | 35 |
| Fries | 32 |  | 43 |
| Galax | 42 |  | 39 |
| Rocky Gap | 21 |  | 28 |
| Auburn | 39 |  | 67 |
| Mt. Rogers | 23 |  | 49 |
| Floyd | 22 |  | 31 |
| Shawsville | 40 |  | 42 |
| Galax | 32 |  | 34 |
| Fries | 27 |  | 40 |
| Rocky Gap | 45 |  | 47 |
| Auburn | 29 |  | 53 |
| Independence | 34 |  | 43 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 24 |  | 34 |
| Floyd | 18 |  | 30 |
| Mt. Rogers | 26 |  | 44 |
| WON - 19 |  | ST - |  |

TOP LEFT: Ballet?? Michael Fanning puts up a stiff defensive block against Galax attempt. TOP RIGHT: This is form at its best! Gary Blankenship completed this shot for two points. CENTER LEFT: Robbie Waddle's quickness coupled with help from Chad Thompson and Leslie Duncan created a tough game for Galax. BOTTOM - JV: John Michael Mustard, Brian Hall, Chad Thompson, Chip Bird, Gary Blankenship, Brian Duncan, Leslie Duncan, Brian Fore, Randy Dillow, Brad Havens, Robbie Waddle, Michael Fanning, Coach Rich Hankins.

## Awesome

 trophy winnersA production that kept spectators absorbed and on the edge of their seats was the boys 8th grade basketball. The quickness of Rusty Bird coupled with accuracy and team work from all the members gave them an outstanding season. They ended the season with no losses and were awarded a trophy at district tournaments. Three members came from the 7th grade. Robin Thacker coached this awesome team.

| SCOREBOARD |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ft. Chiswell | 59 | Bland | 42 |
| Shawsville | 61 |  | 38 |
| Independence | 47 |  | 36 |
| Fries | 58 | 24 |  |
| Galax | 46 | 41 |  |
| Rocky Gap | 66 | 45 |  |
| Auburn | 58 | 41 |  |
| Rural Retreat | 73 | 38 |  |
| Floyd | 42 | 18 |  |
| Ft. Chiswell | 56 | 53 |  |
| Shawsville | 46 | 40 |  |
| Fries | 59 | 29 |  |
| Galax | 39 | 31 |  |
| Rocky Gap | 45 | 29 |  |
| Auburn | 61 | 38 |  |
| Independence | 57 | 15 |  |
| Floyd | 48 | 17 |  |
| Rural Retreat | 65 | 38 |  |
| WON - |  | 18 | LOST -0 |
|  |  |  |  |

TOP: Intensive guarding by David King, backed up by Patrick Smith, create problems for Galax. CENTER LEFT: Travis Munsey in a good blocking attempt. CENTER RIGHT: Patrick Smith takes an elbow caught between two opponents. BOTTOM - 8TH TEAM: Rusty Bird, John Simmons, Clinton Kegley, Marshall Schoenthal, Robbie Taylor, Jay Meadows, William Tickle, Patrick Smith, David King, Billy Epperson, Travis Munsey, Eric Faulkner, Rusty Meadows, Jim Clemons, Brandon Farlow, Coach Robin Thacker.




TOP LEFT: July 4 Jubilee at fairgrounds. TOP RIGHT: JTPA workers with supervisors. CENTER LEFT: Jerry Scott of "ROCKIN HORSE". CENTER RIGHT: Lord's Acre sale October 4 with auctioneer Jeff Burton. BOTTOM: Hanne Larsen, Norwegian visitor in Levi Nelson home, shares lunch time with Matthew Tickle, Dottie and Louise Nelson. OPPOSITE PAGE - TOP: These helpful clowns assisted during the Health Fair held in September. BOTTOM: Jimmy Pike helps at church booth during Lord's Acre Sale.


## Longest running production

The longest running production in Bland County was the community life. Actors, scenes, and props constantly changed but the overall helpfulness, loving and caring stayed the same. Bland Countians revealed their conern for a youth center by supporting and participating in the July 4

Jubilee. Large crowds were always in attendance at Civic sponsored events, showing their willingness to help. A beautiful fall Saturday brought people to the annual Lord's Acre sale, thus giving support to the county churches.

A Health Fair held in Sept. enlist-
ed the expertise of local professionals to provide a cost free health check for residents.

Bland Countians shared their time, talents, joy, grief and brought close-knit communities closer, ever reaching out to others beyond the confines of this small county.



## Behind

## the scene

Behind the scene, young and old, the people of Bland worked together to make the community closer and better. Citizens were supportive and active in community affairs in an effort to improve and provide the youth with more than just necessities.

TOP LEFT: Deputy Melvin Cox making arrest at the PTA carnival. TOP RIGHT: Cousins at play - Ryan Newberry and Ginny Guthrie. CENTER LEFT: A very absorbed and enchanting little witch. BOTTOM RIGHT: Food sales at the annual Lord's Acre sale.



## Putting forth a <br> little extra

Honors were achieved by students who were willing to put in that little extra. A student must have attained a 95 or better average for the year to earn an honor letter. For each year following that the student kept that average he/she earned bars.

Good grades were not the only way to be honored. Students earned honors through good citizenship and club work. DAR recipients were nominated by the senior class then voted on by the faculty. This honor is chosen on good citizenship in the community, school and by excellence in the classroom.


TOP: Eric Strock, DAR recipient. CENTER LEFT: Lisa Gravley, office assistant (responsible for collecting absentees and delivering daily bulletins). CENTER RIGHT-SINGLE HONOR BARS: Roberta Kegley, Gerhard Schoenthal, Karen Strock. BOTTOM RIGHT - FIRST YEAR LETTER: Valerie Stepp and Joyce Bruce.



TOP: Wild Harry and associates! Baby Sherri Faulkner, Mom Libby, twins Brian and Brandon, and Adam. BOTTOM LEFT: "But, officer, I really didn't
do it. Please release me." Phyllis Umbarger pleads with officer Harman. BOTTOM RIGHT: PTA officer, Roxanne Winesett and son.


# Curtain Closes for '86 

The closing curtain for the ' 86 production was held on May 31, 1986, with dress rehearsal on May 30. The actors and actresses said their lines to perfection needing no prompting from behind the scenes. The cast of seniors marched in with an air of confidence for the future. The star players had struggled with their lines to reflect their personalities and thoughts and convey their appreciation to parents, faculty and classmates. At the top of the cast was Becky Melvin, valedictorian; Lisa Talbert, salutatorian; Karen Wright, historian. Many from this cast of 50 wore gold ropes to signify the attainment of an 88 or above scholastic average.

There were many extras in the cast of '86 and these gave support and filled in spaces wherever they were
needed. Those who received perfect attendance awards were found to be recipients of a large number of other academic awards.

Moments of fun and laughter occurred when senior gifts were dispensed, and, for some, embarrassment at "having been found out." Embracements and even a few tears were shed when the final curtain closed on the '86 production.

TOP: Senior Class, 1986, singing for awards day. CENTER LEFT: Rita Gusler "grumbles" about school. CENTER RIGHT: Classmates enjoy "gag" gifts from Lynn Tate and Gene French. BOTTOM RIGHT: Becky Melvin delivers her valedictory speech.



TOP: Mr. Scott Bowen presents English 8 award to JoAnn Shewey. BOTTOM LEFT: Janet Millirons receives Home Ec. award from Mrs. Betty Munsey. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mr. Fred Beamer presents Geography award to Joyce Bruce.


TOP LEFT: Amy Drummond tries to find the correct columns to use in accounting. TOP RIGHT: "That's not what it's supposed to do." Laura Morehead explains to Mrs. Jessie Kegley in Word Processing. BOTTOM LEFT: "Junior" accountingBilly Burton, Darci Groseclose, Ritchie Havens, Mike Hounshell. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mrs. Betty Munsey lectures to Home Living class. Michelle Spangler, Freda Davis, Tonya Looney, Jenny Umbarger, April Newberry, Julie Baxley.



## Comprising over $1 / 2$ of electives

Comprising more than one-half of the elective courses, vocational choices were open to students at all secondary levels. At lower levels, cast members learned the basics, then
progressed to fine tuning at the upper levels. Choices were in four areasagriculture/shop, homemaking, business, and industrial training. Some students at the junior/senior
level chose to travel to Wytheville Vocational School and receive intensive training in one specific area (areas not offered at Bland).


TOP: Scott Wellman and Junior Blevins turn out mystical shapes in shop. BOTTOM LEFT: Turning normal words into strange squiggles (called shorthand). Lori Perkins, Carla Pauley (BACK ROW) Hope Townley and Angela DeHart. BOTTOM RIGHT: Learning to write programs that the computer will understand (even if the students don't!). Lori Nelson, Phillip Bogle, Tammi Haga, Sam Hylton, Tammy Mustard.

## Speeches and conversations

Finding something to talk about - hey, that's no big deal - students talk all day, especially during class. But when English students learned they had to select a specific topic and talk for five minutes in front of classmates and teacher, a unanimous groan bounced off the walls.

French was equally grueling. Not only did students have to learn meanings and pronunciation of strange
 words, they were compelled to carry on a conversation with another classmate via the phone. Of course, the phone has become an appendage of teenagers - but a conversation in French?!!!

TOP: "One more time, please." Miss Diane Rowe, Eric Strock, Sarah Newberry, Jennifer Stafford. CENTER: Preparing speeches - Karen Strock, Janet Millirons, Pam Dillow, Mrs. Janet Faulkner, Maria Foglesong. BOTTOM: Deeply engrossed in a test are seniors Tim Thompson, Issis Umbarger, Laura Britton, Mike Morehead, Tammy Mustard, Angela DeHart, Thelma Sarver, Valerie Stepp, Laura Morehead, Hope Townley, Phillip Bogle.



TOP: 8th grade English with new instructor, Miss Susan Harrington. Students are

Crystal Tibbs and Tina Johnston. BOTTOM: "Oui, Francais est amusement."

Dawn Pruitt, Miss Diane Rowe, Christie Wolfe and JoAnn Shewey.

## Mustering

 through tasksCurtains up, stage lights on, and performers waited for cues. Learning lines was not easy and actors often stumbled through difficult passages, but prompting was available. Prompters were Mrs. Kay Mabe, Mr. Tommy Bird, Mr. Gary Collins, Mr. Barry Guthrie and Mr. John Wagoner. Individual starring roles found performers at the chalkboard working out equations or using bunsen burners to determine the result of an experiment. Immediately after lunch biology performers mustered through the distasteful task of dissecting earthworms and frogs. No statistics were available for the consumption of Tums or Rolaids!

TOP: "I'd rather not see those grades." Pam Harden, Marshall Schoenthal, Mrs. Kay Mabe. CENTER: "Gosh, Mrs. Mabe, I can't think what comes next." Brad Dillow in Algebra class. BOTTOM: "Look, Mr. Bird, I got it right." Sam Simmons in Math 9.




TOP: "Gross. How can you stand to touch that yucky worm." Aaron Newberry and Tiffany Bowen. CENTER LEFT: Science project from '86 fifth grade. CENTER RIGHT: Progress-from a yucky worm to
a yucky frog. Sonya Carroll, Bradley Davis, Patricia Nelson. BOTTOM LEFT: The 2nd place winner in ' 86 fifth grade science project-Mary Margaret Gibson.


Cinema 1, 2, $3 \ldots$ the choice was there. Whether students chose a subject or a specific teacher, they learned caste and mores of our social and political world. Selecting from the


TOP: In a study of Indian culture, fifth graders simulated their ideas of Indian villages. Winning villages were placed on display in the library. First place was created by Robert Davis, the village and fort to the extreme right. CENTER LEFT: Mrs. Rae Lee Honaker gives individual instructon to these two students. CENTER RIGHT: Mr. Fred Beamer lectures to these eighth graders, Lisa Lafferty, Rita Hamblin, Marshall Schoenthal, Barbara Meadows.
past, they learned how to improve historical mistakes and use the success of our ancestors to create a more perfect world. Choices (some were required) were from the areas of histo-
ry, geography, economics, and government. Classes were enhanced by lectures, guest speakers, field trips, and audio-visuals.


## ACADEMY \&OSCAR WINNERS




TOP - SENIOR BETA MEMBERS FRONT ROW: Dawn Pruitt, Issis Umbarger, Eric Strock, Donna Warden, Carrie Shelton, Lori Nelson, Lisa Gravley, Laura Morehead, Maria Foglesong. BACK ROW: Tammi Haga, Carla Pauley, Jennifer Stafford, Cindy Crabtree, Sarah Newberry, LaMoore Muncy, Valerie Stepp, Gerhard Schoenthal, Roberta Kegley, Karen Strock, Freda Davis. CENTER LEFT: Donna Warden sells food to Kevin Fore. CENTER RIGHT: Operating concession stand - Valerie Stepp and Sarah Newberry. BOTTOM - BETA OFFICERS: Tammi Haga, president; Eric Strock, vice-president; Carla Pauley, secretary; Issis Umbarger, treasurer; Mrs. Janet Faulkner, sponsor.



TOP: Chip Bird, president, presents pin and certificate to Jenny Meadows. BOTTOM LEFT - OFFICERS: Chip Bird, president; Sonya Chewning, vicepresident; Robbie Waddle, secretary; Beau Guthrie, treasurer; Mrs. Nancy Gamble, sponsor. BOTTOM RIGHT JUNIOR BETA MEMBERS - FRONT ROW: Tonya Smith, Joyce Bruce, Christie Wolfe, Tresila Sink, Jenny Meadows. 2ND ROW: Alan Cassell, Beau Guthrie, Sonya Chewning, Julie Pauley, Amy Haga. 3RD ROW: Susan Remines, Rachel Havens, Kim Crabtree, Kathy Kidd, Tonya Looney, JoAnn Shewey. BACK ROW: Chip Bird, Robbie Waddle, Dale Morehead, Bradley King, Tony Boksa.

## Scrapbook competition victorious

Competition at '86 State convention proved victorious in at least one area for Senior Betas. Concentrated efforts in documenting their activities by putting together a lengthy and attractive scrapbook paid off with a first place award. The scrapbook was a replica of a TV monitor. This year the scrapbook was a beehive, complete with bees and honeycomb (not real, of course).

Senior Betas were responsible for concession stands during the girl's basketball season. They also sold packaged pizzas and winter fruit to add to their treasury.

Junior Betas were also an honor club. Only students with a 90 or above grade average were eligible for these two clubs. Junior Beta members were from the 9 th and 10th grades. Students received certificates, pins and
journals as members. They heard guest speakers at club meetings and attended Barter Theatre to see "The Oddessy." Their main service project was tutoring students who were having difficulties in certain subject areas. Their efforts were rewarded when a number of tutees improved their grades.


## Publications need journalism class

Disaster! The '86 yearbooks did not arrive until after graduation. The reason? - delays and problems in the printing department. The' 87 staff met several times during the summer months and got busy early to avoid that happening again. They began the school year with an advertising drive which took them all over Wytheville and Bland. They took time out for a feast at Pizza Hut. The subscription drive culminated with a short program, announcement of the winners
and a dance featuring a live band. Then snow came at crucial deadline dates and slowed production down. They worked at home to get everything done and a big sigh of relief was heard when the final pages went to press on February 26. The staff consisted of four seniors, one sophomore, four freshmen and two eighth graders. This was the first year eighth graders were asked to be on the staff.

The newspaper also met with problems and delays. Beginning with five
members and two sponsors, Mr. Scott Bowen and Miss Diane Rowe, things were moving slowly when - BAM!, Mr. Bowen was transferred and they began again with Miss Rowe and Miss Susan Harrington. There also occurred changes in the staff (being doubled, now with ten members) and problems getting material typed and proofread. Oh, for a journalism class in which these two publications could work.


TOP: Peddling papers in the library. April Newberry and JoAnn Shewey sell a paper to Tonya Looney. BOTTOM: NEWSPAPER STAFF - FRONT ROW: Rusty Bird, Tony Boksa, Barbara Meadows, April Newberry. BACK ROW: Tracy Repass, Miracle Mitchem, Kathy Kidd, Carla Pauley, JoAnn Shewey, Bradley King.




TOP - STAFF - SEATED: April Newberry, Sonya Chewning, Pam Chewning. STANDING: Tonya Looney, Sherri Shewey. NOT PICTURED: JoAnn Shewey and Tony Boksa. CENTER: Yearbook editors find they need sharp eyes for proofreading. Amy Drummond and Leon Sink. BOTTOM: Business managers use microcomputers for quickness and efficiency. Tammi Haga and Lisa Davis

## Fun with

 winningA new sponsor, selected home room representatives, and a ballot of officers started the school's governing body off and running. Posters went up on walls and doors depicting the reasons why students should vote for each political hopeful. Then they were given the opportunity to tell the entire student body why they aspired to each office by giving speeches via the intercom. After the election things settled back to normal routines. The SCA gathered the talented together for performances at the annual Christmas program. They chose to analyze and portray their concepts of many of the faculty members. Even faculty recognized their own idiosyncrasies and laughed along with everyone else.

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) again won a Gold Seal by being an honor chapter and ranking among the top 15 percent of active chapters. One of the most active groups in school, FBLAers began the year with numerous reports, then cosponsored the Little Miss and Junior Miss beauty pageants. Then followed the Snow King and Queen dance and a pizza feast for members and faculty. The next item on their agenda was the senior shadow program where senior members visited local businesses on an individual basis to learn about a particular job. Several returned excited about potential positions because of their "shadow." February was collection time for Project ASK (donations toward study of childhood cancer). During all these busy activities FBLAers were also preparing for competition on March 14 in various subject areas and putting together a scrapbook of the year's activities. The Parliamentary Procedures Committee has won first place for several years and others have placed in a number of subject areas.


TOP: Political hopefuls waiting to give campaign speeches. Donna Warden, Rachel Havens, Rusty Bird, Roberta Kegley, Thelma Sarver, Bob Hylton. TOP CENTER - SCA COUNCIL FRONT ROW: Rusty Bird, David King, Amy Drummond, Lori Nelson. BACK ROW: Donna Warden, Sonya Chewning, Rachel Havens, Shannon King, Roberta

Kegley, Andy Putnam. BOTTOM CENTER - OFFICERS: Mr. John Wagoner, sponsor; Andy Putnam, sargeant-at-arms; Rusty Bird, treasurer; Rachel Havens, secretary; Roberta Kegley, president. BOTTOM: Frosty (John Curtis Thompson) with playmates at Christmas program.



TOP: FBLAers, Bradley King and Kevin Lindamood, assist with PTA Halloween carnival. Jacob and Katie Scott ponder whether to play the game. CENTER FBLA OFFICERS: Carla Pauley, president; Tammi Haga, vice-president; Sarah Newberry, secretary; Mike Morehead, historian; Roberta Kegley, parliamentarian. BOTTOM - FBLA FRONT ROW: Christie Wolfe, April Newberry, Ginny Guthrie, Tonya Smith, Vicki Sarver, Amy Haga. 2ND ROW: Laura Morehead, Hope Townley, Tonya Looney, Sherri Shewey, Darci Groseclose, Rachel Havens. 3RD ROW: Leon Sink, Sarah Newberry, Andy Putnam, Kevin Lindamood, Amy Drummond, Karen Strock. 4TH ROW: Brian Townley, Mike Morehead, Chip Bird, Brian Hall, Chad Thompson, Laura Britton. BACK ROW: Tony Boksa, Roberta Kegley, Tammi Haga.

## Changing location sites

Location sites for members of VICA and FFA changed frequently. Most of the casting took place on school grounds, but many hours of activities and work were filmed elsewhere.


TOP LEFT - VICA OFFICERS FRONT ROW: Lori Nelson, vicepresident; Samantha Hylton, president. 2ND ROW: David Dalton, treasurer; Todd Turner, secretary. BACK ROW: Patrick Groseclose, reporter; Mrs. Carolyn Bane, sponsor; Cindy Crabtree, parliamentarian. TOP RIGHT: Todd Turner has really been earning his pay at The Bug Shop! BOTTOM RIGHT VICA - FRONT ROW: David Dalton, Patrick Groseclose, Todd Turner, Lori Nelson, Samantha Hylton, Cindy Crabtree. 2ND ROW: Denise King, Donna Richardson, Lisa Gravley, Issis Umbarger. 3RD ROW: Sarah Karpinski, Carla Pauley, Valerie Stepp. 4TH ROW: Daniel Conley, Robert Hall, Rusty King. BACK ROW: Mrs. Carolyn Bane, Lyle Muncy, Jon Melvin, Jamie Chewning.

FFA members attended local and district meetings, state conventions and judging contests. They worked on projects, speeches, creeds and degrees. They added funds to the club by cleaning the fair grounds and by sell-
ing fruit and magazines.
On location for VICA members meant hours spent on a job - earning while learning. Their jobs consisted of a variety of types and skills (mechanic, waitress, clerk, farming, etc.)



TOP: Kathy Lineburg, VA State President; Cindy Crabtree, Chapter President; Sharon Shuler, State Reporter. CENTER TOP LEFT: Greenhands David Chandler, John Simmons, William Tickle, Jay Meadows. TOP RIGHT FFA OFFICERS: Cindy Crabtree, president; Steve Fanning, vice-president; Tony Boksa, 2nd vice-president; Sarah Karpinski, reporter; Steven King, treasurer; Jeff Dodson, sentinel; Bill Crabtree, advisor. Not pictured: Patrick Groseclose, secretary. CENTER LEFT 3RD, 4TH, 5TH YEAR MEMBERS FRONT ROW: Scott Wellman, Bradley Davis, Scott Lambert, Michael Fanning, Richard Spivey, Heath Muncy, John Stafford. 2ND ROW: Junior Blevins, Randy Dillow, Todd Morehead, Lorin Hanshew, Pam Wright. 3RD ROW: Brian Duncan, Mark Gusler, Kevin Cox, Duane DeHart, Jon Melvin, Cindy Crabtree. 4th ROW: Gary Blankenship, Kevin Fore, Billy Burton, Shannon King, Dayton Morehead, David Dalton. BACK ROW: Steve Fanning, Sarah Karpinski, Jamie Chewning, Jeff Dodson, Anthony Cox, David King. BOTTOM LEFT - $1 S T$ 2ND YEAR MEMBERS - FRONT ROW: John Thompson, Jason Ramsey, John Simmons, J.R. Harris, Jimmy Blevins, Tony Boksa, Jamie Asbury. 2ND ROW: Randy Clemons, Kim Crabtree, Darrel Wright, Jay Meadows, John Mustard, Randy Townley. 3RD ROW: Brandon Farlow, Scotty Tickle, David Chandler, Brian Farlow, Brad Havens, Dale Morehead. 4TH ROW: David Strock, William Tickle, Stacy Bruce, Steven King, David King, Duane Compton. BACK ROW: Joey Spain, Heth Moore, Sam Simmons, Travis Munsey, Mike Sage.


TOP LEFT: EL MATADOR performs the new look for the 80 's on one of our starring actresses, Barbara Meadows, as Tammy Mustard and Lana Lindamood watch.

TOP RIGHT - OFFICERS - FRONT ROW: Lisa Davis, recording secretary; Lisa Gravley, reporting secretary; Janet Millirons, 2nd vice-president; Amy Drummond, 1st vice-president; Hope Townley, president. BACK ROW: Sandy Mitchell and Donna Richardson, Ser-geants-at-arms; Charmin Gravley, Chaplin; Pam Dillow, treasurer; Mrs. Betty Munsey, advisor.

CENTER - 3RD, 4TH, 5TH YEAR MEMBERS - FRONT ROW: Lisa Gravley, Sandy Mitchell, Christie Wolfe, Tammy Swanson, Amanda Baxley, Charmin Gravley. 2ND ROW: Karen Strock, Angela Atwell, Sarah Newberry, Elizabeth Turner, Lana Lindamood, Hope Townley, Dawn Pruitt. 3RD ROW: Stafford Umbarger, Amy Drummond, Regina Parris, Freda Davis, Idette King, Pam Dillow, Maria Foglesong, Roberta Kegley, Tammi Haga, Donna Richardson, Tammy Mustard, Angela DeHart, Carrie Shelton.

BOTTOM - 1ST and 2ND YEAR MEMBERS - FRONT ROW: Benga Hager, Tina Brown, Pam Chewning, Amy Haga, Miracle Mitchem, Tina Johnston, Amanda Harden, Heather Smith, Angela Kent. 2ND ROW: Lisa Davis, Becky Winesett, Samantha Waddle, Joyce Bruce, JoAnn Shewey, Patricia Nelson, Laura Lafferty, Rita Hamblin. 3RD ROW: Crystal Tibbs, Tracy Repass, Dixie Bruce, Julie Baxley, Jenny Umbarger, Dusty King, Latrayle Shewey, Tonya


Looney, April Newberry, Patty Mutter. BACK ROW: Lisa Lafferty, Marsha Martin, Jennifer Simms, Allison King,

Rachel Havens, Patricia Stowers, Barbara Meadows.
 damood, Bob Hylton, Roberta Kegley, Tina Brown. 2ND ROW: Scott Lambert, Phillip Bogle, Thelma Sarver, Allen Massey, Sondra Mitchell, Pam Chewning. 3RD ROW: Patrick Smith, Chris Dillow, Debbie Baker, Freda Davis, Marshall Schoenthal, Amanda Harden, Sherri Shewey. 4TH ROW: John Thompson, Mike Morehead, Paricia Nelson, Shannon McGrady, Eric Faulkner, Heather Smith. 5TH ROW; Steven Mitchell, Kevin Fore, Elizabeth Turner, Allan Newberry, Amanda Baxley, Charmin Gravley. BACK ROW: Brad Dillow, Kevin Wright, Lute Scott, Angela Kent, Kevin Dent. CENTER LEFT - OFFICERS: Bob Hylton, president; Steven Mitchell, vice-president; Lute Scott, secretary; Kevin Fore, treasurer; Mrs. Chris Bird, sponsor. CENTER RIGHT: Art contest exhibit in elementary hall.


## Prop Managers Plan Trip To FLA

Prop managers were constantly busy. Beginning in early May they worked toward a stupendous ParentMember banquet held at Bluefield's Western Sizzlin' Steak House. In the fall they placed boxes in each elementary class for collecting soup la-
bels which are used to purchase supplies and equipment for the school. Members assisted in vision screening and held a Christmas party for grades $K-3$ and Special Education. The FHA club also sponsored the Miss and Senior Miss Bland County
pageants.
Members sold food, etc. to earn a passage to Orlando, FLA, a spring trip. Excitement mounted when they learned they would visit Disney World, Epcot Center, Wet \& Wild and Daytona Beach.

TOP: Combined band plays holiday selections for SCA program. CENTER: Bands combine efforts for the first performance at the Miss Echo program. BOT-TOM-FRONT ROW: David Strock, Ginny Guthrie, Bobby Jo Chestnutt, Ginny Meadows. 2ND ROW: Chad Thompson, Beau Guthrie, Shawn Nelson, Jim Britton, Brian Fore. BACK ROW: Leslie Duncan, Robbie Waddle.


## Performances combine talents

With props in place the cast members took their positions in the first performance of the year for the band and choir on September 26, 1986. The occasion was "Miss Echo." Members from neighboring Rocky Gap combined their talents with Bland to create quantity and quality. The follow-
ing day the band was up early to participate in band day at VPI. They also participated in the parades at Rocky Gap and Wytheville. Both groups have had several concerts, and the band rendered a number of holiday selections for the SCA Christmas program on December 19.

TOP: Combined choirs perform for the Miss Echo program. BOTTOM: Jennifer Simms, Jenny Umbarger, Ms. Kim Styron-director, Debbie Baker, Patricia Stowers.



TOP RIGHT: FORENSICS TEAM FRONT ROW: Elizabeth Turner, Carla Pauley, Lana Lindamood, Vicki Sarver, Karen Strock. 2ND ROW: Darci Groseclose, Roberta Kegley, Sarah Newberry. 3RD ROW: Mike Morehead, Robert Lambert, Gerhard Schoenthal, Chip Bird. LEFT TOP - OFFICERS FRONT ROW: Glenn Eaton, vicepresident; Mrs. Chris Bird, sponsor; LaMoore Muncy, president. BACK ROW: Bodie Miller, secretary; Donna Warden, treasurer. CENTER MEMBERS - FRONT ROW: Vicki Sarver, Donna Warden, Sonya Carroll, Rusty Warden, Karen Strock, Lana Lindamood. 2ND ROW: Glenn Eaton, Sarah Newberry, Roberta Kegley, Darci Groseclose, Robert Lambert, Randy Mabe. 3RD ROW: Bodie Miller, Elizabeth Turner. Carla Pauley, Robert Hall, Leon Sink, Chip Bird, Daniel Conley. 4TH ROW: LaMoore Muncy, Brad Dillow, Lyle Muncy, Bobby Epperson, Gerhard Schoenthal, Mike Morehead. BACK ROW: Rusty King, Jeff Dodson, Steve Mitchell, Ellis Wade, Anthony Cox. BOTTOM: Glenn Eaton and Ellis Wade compete for Miss Yucko title.

OPPOSITE PAGE - TOP OFFICERS: Ms. Diane Rowe, sponsor; Robbie Waddle, president; Sarah Newberry, vice-president; Aaron Newberry, secretary; Julie Pauley, treasurer. BOTTOM LEFT - FRENCH CLUB-FRONT ROW: Christie Wolfe, Beau Guthrie, Julie Pauley, Tonya Smith, Sonya Chewning, Amy Haga. 2ND ROW: Dawn Pruitt, Thelma Sarver, Robbie Waddle, Tammy Mustard, Jerome Meadows, Donna Warden, JoAnn Shewey. 3RD ROW: Maria Foglesong, Jennifer Stafford, Sarah Newberry, Aaron Newberry, Tiffany Bowen, Sarah Strock, Karen Strock. BACK ROW: Bradley King, Robert Lambert, Chip Bird. BOTTOM RIGHT: Ms. Diane Rowe enjoys a front seat view of New Orleans.


## Hosts district forensics

The Dramatics and Forensics clubs experienced a very busy year. Serving as the host school for the Mt. Empire District Forensics Festival kept the Forensics team busy during the fall. There was much to be done to prepare the school, practice, get material out to other schools, practice, get the judges and practice some more. Our school proved victorious over nine other schools, with an overall total of 33 out of a possible 55 points. Advancing to regional competition were

Carla Pauley, Chip Bird, Gerhard Schoenthal, Roberta Kegley, Lana Lindamood, Sarah Newberry, and Robert Lambert. The other team members who contributed points to the overall score were: Karen Strock, Mike Morehead, Darci Groseclose and Elizabeth Turner.

The month of March was a very busy one for both Forensics and Dramatics. Regional and State forensics, coupled with district and regional play festival, took every weekend.

This year the Dramatics Club presented "Story Theatre," a group of short fables, for competition. The play was presented by the largest cast we have had in recent years with 24 students taking part.

Before the curtain closed the French Club spent a week in a famous hidden world of fantasy, where they learned the roles of speaking French and enjoyed the arts of the famous. They toured Quebec along with other fabulous sights.



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## New cast of characters for science

A new cast of characters banded together in the interest of science. They met several times during the year and talked about a science fair. A field trip was planned and was snowed out,


TOP - SCIENCE OFFICERS: Mr. John Wagoner, sponsor; Amy Drummond, president; Leon Sink, vice-president; Sonya Carroll, secretary; Christie Wolfe, treasurer; Robbie Waddle, reporter. CENTER LEFT: The winning entry of '86 fifth grade fair. CENTER RIGHT FRONT ROW: Hope Townley, Roberta Kegley, Laura Morehead. 2ND ROW: Karen Strock, Leon Sink, Angela DeHart. 3RD ROW: April Newberry, Alan Cassell, JoAnn Shewey. 4TH ROW: Chad Thompson, Dale Morehead, Gerhard Schoenthal. BACK ROW: Tonya Looney, Amy Drummond. BOTTOM RIGHT: Moon phases and constellations exhibited at science fair.
rescheduled, and snowed out. Fifth grade students held their own science fair with some well-planned exhibits.

Making bookmarks, learning computers and playing new games
kept elementary students busy during library time. Club members helped financially by selling posters and assisting at book fairs.



TOP: Kindergarten students display their bookmarks after spending time and considerable effort to make them just what they wanted. CENTER LIBRARY MEMBERS - FRONT ROW: Tammi Haga, Donna Warden, Lana Lindamood, April Newberry, Tonya Looney. BACK ROW: Issis Umbarger, JoAnn Shewey, Amy Drummond, Hope Townley, Laura Morehead. BOTTOM LEFT - OFFICERS - SEATED: Lisa Davis, president; JoAnn Shewey, vicepresident; Laura Morehead, secretary. STANDING: Tonya Looney, treasurer, Tammi Haga, reporter, Mrs. Elizabeth Newberry, sponsor.

SAFETY PATROL - TOP: FRONT ROW: Michelle Wright, Angela Dalton, Stephanie Meadows, Becky Bird, Sarah Umbarger, Heather Burton, Julie Strock. 2ND ROW: Donna Wiley, Ginger Dillow, Bobby Boardwine, Sarah Thompson, Hope Pike, Julie Overbaugh, Kandi Farley. 3RD ROW: Michael Dillow, Dana Stepp, Charlie Thompson, Gwen McGrady, Jeana Dalton, Angela Stowers, Holly Warden. 4TH ROW: Billy Epperson, Toby Dotson, Jason Hall, Tina Hounshell, Rusty Meadows, Cheryl Hall. BACK ROW: Robert Davis, Jimmy Duncan, Mrs. Margie Powers, sponsor.

CENTER - 6TH GRADE BAND FRONT ROW: Mary Margaret Gibson, Nathan Romano, Stacy Tibbs, Tina Kimberlin. 2ND ROW: Christy Wellman, Pam Harden, Crystal Thompson, Becky Mallory. BACK ROW: Stephanie Goins, Robert Sexton, Mrs. Kim Styron - director.

BOTTOM LEFT - SAFETY PATROL OFFICERS: Hope Pike, president; Rusty Meadows, vice-president; Toby Dotson, secretary; Gwen McGrady, treasurer.

BOTTOM RIGHT - 7TH GRADE BAND - FRONT ROW: Kandi Farley, Donna Wiley, Stephanie Meadows, Julie Strock, Tina Hounshell. 2ND ROW: Robert Davis, Hope Pike. BACK ROW: Rusty Meadows, Charlie Thompson, Jason Hall.


## Who's Who

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## Individuals




TOP LEFT: Mr. Ron Pauley gets into the action of field day. TOP RIGHT: It was bound to happen sooner or later - Kay Mabe and Nancy Gamble. CENTER RIGHT: Faculty get into the "dress-up" mood - Jan Scott and Phyllis Umbarger. BOTTOM LEFT: Kay Kincer's farewell party with Mrs. and Mr. Maxton. BOTTOM CENTER: Mr. Robin Thacker at ease during tennis games. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mr. Roger Thompson goes high over heads during faculty game for special olympics.


## SOLs Kept These Producers Busy

The greatest producers could be found in the elementary hall. These teachers had to possess skills in all
areas and train students in those areas. In addition they were expected to write and teach to the SOLs (Stan-
dards of Learning), and keep extensive files for their documentation.


Mrs. Vicki J. Ogle Sixth, BS-Radford $U$.
Mrs. Dian Phipps Chapter I Reading BS- Radford U., MABall U.
Mrs. Margie Powers Seventh, Safety Ptrol $B A-M a r s h a l l ~ U$.
Mrs. Katherine Reynolds Kindergarten, Elementary
Head Teacher, BS-Radford U., MA-VPI \& SU

Mrs. Janet Scott Fourth, BS-Radford U.
Mrs. Rebecca Scott Second, BA-King MS-Radford $U$.
Mrs. Michelle Thompson Speech Therapy BS-Radford U.
Mrs. Teresa W. Wood Preschool, BS-Bluefield $M S$-Radford $\boldsymbol{U}$.

## Production Crew Met With Changes

Interviews and auditions were completed, selections made and the parts were cast. Production for '86' 87 began smoothly with rehearsals on schedule. Producers drilled daily with the leading characters, supporting cast and understudies. After only a few weeks the production crew met with changes. Gifted and talented coordinator Margaret Pauley left the staff, being replaced by Mrs. Wendy Gilmer-Grubb. Shortly after this Mr.

Scott Bowen transferred to Rocky Gap and his replacement was Miss Susan Harrington. Another new face was Mrs. Ellen Winters, behavioral consultant. The cast accepted the changes, made the transitions smoothly and continued with rehearsals. Mini shows with cast members spotlighted for outstanding performances occurred throughout the year.

Mr. Roger D. Thompson
Principal; BS-VPI,MS-Radford U.
Mr. Richard Havens
Assistant Principal; US History, Intro. to Bus.; Senior Class sponsor; BS-Bluefield State
Mrs. Carolyn Bird Bane
ICT; VICA Sponsor, BS/MS-Radford U.
Mr. Fred L. Beamer
Social Studies; Sophomore Sponsor; BS/MS$V P I \& S U$

## Mrs. Chris Bird

Drama, Art, Creative Writing, Speech; SponsorArt, Drama,8th grade; BS-Radford U.
Mr. Thomas Bird
Math; 9th class sponsor; BS-Radford U.
Mr. Scott L. Bowen
English 8-10; Asst. Sponsor-8th; BS-Concord, MA-Ohio U.

Mr. Gary D. Collins
P.E. and Biology; Coach-JV \& Varsity girls basketball, Varsity boys basketball, Varsity Baseball; BA-Emory \& Henry
Mr. William Crabtree
Agriculture; FFA sponsor; BS/MS-VPI \& SU

## Mrs. Janet Faulkner

English 10-12, Honors English; Sponsor-Senior Beta and Asst. Senior; BS/MS-Radford U.



These elementary teachers enjoy being part of the Halloween dress contest. Phyllis Umbarger, Norma Newberry, Kay Blevins, Becky Scott, Margie Powers, Connie DeWilde, Mary Pat Meade, Rich Hankins.


Mrs. Nancy Gamble
Guidance Counselor; Government; Secondary Special Education Coordinating Teacher; Junior Beta Sponsor; BS/MS-Radford U.

Ms. Sandra S. Green
Secondary Special Education; Asst. Sponsor 9th grade; BS/MS-Radford $U$.

Mr. Barry Guthrie
Chemistry, Physics, Biology; BS-VPI \& SU


Mrs. Kimberly A. Styron
Elementary Band, Secondary band and chorus; BS-Concord
Mr. Larry W. Thacker
P.E., Sociology, Science, World History;

Coach - 8th boys basketball, Tennis; S-VPI \& $S U$

Mr. John H. Wagoner
Earth Science, Physical Science; Sponsor-
SCA and Science; Volleyball coach, JV
Baseball coach; BS-Radford U.

## Unsurpassed Production Skills

School personnel and teachers aides were vital elements in our overall production. They served our
school in many areas from set design and construction, transportation, food and maintenance to encourage-
ment of the "actors." Their production skills were unsurpassed.

Mrs. Violet Bird
First (1a,1b) 7th grade aide
Mrs. Helen Blankenship Chapter 1 Reading Aide
Mrs. Annette Burton Elementary Resource Art

Mrs. Joyce Cassell
Third, fourth, fifth, sixth grade aide
Mrs. Connie DeWilde
Kindergarten, second grade aide
Mrs. Sue Ellison
Elementary Resource Music

Mrs. Sue Newberry
Transportation Aide, Preschool Aide
Mrs. Robin Repass
Preschool Aide
Mrs. Nancy Stockner
Media Assistant

Mrs. Mary Lee Tickle Chapter 1 Reading Aide
Mrs. Phyllis Umbarger Special Education Aide
Mrs. Barbara Wimmer Special Education Aide, Transportation Aide



Bonnie Blankenship - Bookkeeper/ secretary


BUS DRIVERS - KNEELING: Harold Bivens, Doug Sarver, Cicero Havens. STANDING: Margaret Miller, Brenda Penley, Susie Meadows, Brenda Pike, Mary Wimmer.


## Keith Sargent

Custodian
Doris Tibbs
Lunchroom
Sonny Turner
Building Supervisor and maintenance


Adam Akers<br>Casey Dotson<br>Paul Harless<br>Monica Havens

Kellen Shewey Billy Umbarger Jessica Umbarger Mary Ruth Williamson


TOP LEFT: Gross motor skills - Jessica Umbarger, Le Kisha Farley, Teresa Wood - teacher, Kellen Shewey, Paul Harless. CENTER LEFT: Fine motor skills Kellen Shewey, Jessica Umbarger, Le Kisha Farley, Sue Newberry - aide, Adam Akers. TOP RIGHT: Thanksgiving FRONT ROW: Paul Harless, Jessica Umbarger. BACK ROW: Le Kisha Farley, Kellen Shewey, Adam Akers. BCTTOM RIGHT: Halloween activity - Kellen Shewey, Jessica Umbarger, Monica Havens, Adam Akers.



Leslie Gordon Clinton Hagy
Crystal Hancock Kari Harner Cicely Havens

Erin Johnson Michael Lambert Joe Meadows Stuart Morehead Katie Muncy

Justin Neal Westen Patton Heath Puckett Joshua Richardson Olena Sexton

Allison Sheets Amber Simmons Brent Tate Christa Winesett Nathan Winters

## Young Cast Work On Perfecting Skills

The youngest members of our cast were preschoolers and Kindergarteners. Preschoolers worked on fine and gross motor skills, physical and

speech therapy as well as other special skills. Kindergarteners experienced some independence while perfecting academic skills.

BOTTOM LEFT: Joe Meadows assists in housekeeping chores. BOTTOM RIGHT: Library time helps students perfect coloring skills.


Sarah Bird
Will Blankenship Jeffrey Brunk Jeremy Dillow Whitney Gamble

Ashley Havens Kelli King Brooke Kitts Joshua Lester Philip Meadows

Charlotte Nunn
Jim Bob Penley Jason Sides Heather Stiltner Charlie Stowers

Adam Faulkner Leisa Haga
Stephanie Kelley
Sara King
Patrick Lindamood

Kent McPeak
Stacy Miller
Debra Munsey
David Neel Ryan Newberry

Sharon Shewey Sarah Smith
Ted Sparks Jeremiah Tate
Erin Thompson


Lori Tabor
Daniel Thompson Jennifer Walker


Larry Bowles Kelly Dunn



## Eager Responsive Young Stage Hands

Eager, excited and responsive describe the 35 young stage hands in the first grade. The larger number required two teachers, Mrs. June Miller and Miss Kay Blevins - a first year teacher. Under these outstanding


TOP: Octopuff visits elementary students to tell them the dangers of smoking. Ms. Kay Blevins and her first graders are impressed. BOTTOM LEFT: Jim Bob Penley gets assistance from Mrs. Violet Bird during the book fair. BOTTOM RIGHT: National Lunch Week brings parents to share lunch with their children.
leaders these stage hands progressed through social and academic skills.

Once a week resource teachers taught them art and music. Also once a week they visited the library to read, see movies and to work on other
activities.
These stage hands were a vital and interesting part of the '86-87 production.


## Learning stage directions

The students in second and third grades learned stage directions and rehearsed their lines. Directed by Mrs. Becky Scott and Mrs. Sue

King, these students were always ready for daily rehearsals, prop construction and actual performances. They provided us with a large cast of
characters, and their performances, both in and out of the classroom, were always entertaining.

Mrs. Munsey directs the second grade in their performance.

Mandy Blankenship

Amanda Brown Matthew Brunk Mary Jane Chewning Roger Clemons Charlie Corder

Benjamin Davis Marie Dotson Jamie Dunn Jason Hancock Casy Johnston

Lisa Kimberlin Kelly Meadows Lee Meadows Jason Neal Jon Michael Newberry

Holly Pauley Casie Pruitt Rae Romano John Schepers Jacob Scott

Amanda Shelton John C. Thompson John K. Thompson Eric Wimmer Jennifer Winters



ABOVE: Third grader winners in the Halloween contest-Jamy Nunn and Becky Penley. BOTTOM LEFT: Third graders display their favorite sport for the PTA music program.

## Stage Hands/Extras Necessary To Production

Stage hands and extras are an important part of any production. Fourth and fifth graders were thus a part of the total production. Students in Mrs. Jan Scott's fourth grade discovered they were a small sector in the total world when they studied Europe in social studies. Field trips to
areas outside of school helped them understand more about the world in which they live. Fourth graders became active in 4-H and field day: Fifth graders were guided by Mrs. Norma Newberry. These stage hands highlighted their year with two outstanding activities. In conjunction
with social studies they built Indian villages. The winner this year was Robert Davis. The other activity was a science project which could be anything from a poster to a complicated electric device.

Costume winners from the fourth grade. Wes Strock, Bradley Gordon, April Tickle.


Bradley Gordon Shannon Havens Bobbi Hobbs Bradley Hoosier Heather Keene

David Lambert Joanie Lambert Robin Lambert Cindy McGrady P. J. Meadows

Robbie Morehead Frank Nunnely Michael Shelton Wesley Strock Bradley Tate

April Tickle James Umbarger Brian Waddle Christopher Wolcott Tonya Wyatt

Allen Brown Becky Brunk Charlie Burton Justin Eaton



A different approach to the beat and rhythm of music. Christina Schepers, Robert Davis, Tonya Talbert.

Detria Agee
Seth Baxter

Steven Berry
Beth Bridges Eric Brooks Angela Carter Pete Conley

Robert Davis
Kristie Dillow
Tawny Dillow
Aaron Faulkner
Heidi Guthrie

Sonya Hounshell Crystal King Kevin King Jennie Lambert Angel Mitchem

Chad Morehead Sandra Nelson Stuart Newberry Scott Blankenship Stanley Overbaugh

Misty Pauley
Christina Schepers
Wenona Scott
Jes Selfe
Ami Simms

Mary Spain
Jimmy Sparks
Tonya Talbert
Melanie Thompson
Eric Tiller

7TH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS: Robbie Taylor, president; Becky Bird, vicepresident; Stephanie Meadows, secretary; Sarah Thompson, treasurer.

Sheree Burton

Lori Compton
Patricia Corder
Sammy Dent
Kenneth Dye
Mary Margaret Gibson

Stephanie Goins Pamela Harden Tina Kimberlin Rebecca Mallory Eric Martin

Michael Paul Mcpeak Matthew Newberry
Kevin Pauley
Bridgette Penley
Joe Putnam

Molly Richardson Nathan Romano Robert Sexton Kathleen Shewey Travis Simmons

Jason Stafford Stacy Tibbs
Crystal Thompson
Christine Wellman
Douglas Wiley


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## New Roles And Responsibilities

Learning, growing, and discovering new things were part of the per-
formance of the sixth and seventh graders. Becoming band members
and safety patrol leaders gave them new roles and responsibilities.


Kevin Bowles Heather Burton Angela Dalton Jeana Dalton Robert Davis

Ginger Dillow Michael Dillow Toby Dotson Jimmy Duncan Billy Epperson

Kandi Farley
Cheryl Hall
Jason Hall
Tina Hounshell Gwendolyn McGrady

Rusty Meadows Stephanie Meadows Julie Overbaugh Hope Pike Dana Stepp

Angela Stowers
Julie Strock
John Taylor
Robbie Taylor
Charlie Thompson

Sarah Thompson Sarah Umbarger Holly Warden Donna Wiley Michelle Wright

## Cast In Supporting Roles

It was a year of excitement and intrigue for all the new comers into the profession of being a high school student. There was the honor and prestige of walking down the hall of the stars for they had been "discovered." They were cast by the producers of

BCS to act in the supporting role of courses and activities.

There were many auditions and interviews, everyone wanting to join the clubs of the highly acclaimed performers. Nothing is ever free in this business so dues were set at $\$ 5.00$.

Even though these struggling actors started with nothing in their bank account, it was a profitable year when their hard work started to pay off for real.


Tina Brown Dixie Bruce Stacy Bruce David Chandler

Pam Chewning Jim Clemons Randy Clemons Timmy Clemons



TOP LEFT: Robbie Brown - "Where will he land?" TOP RIGHT - CLASS OFFICERS: Rusty Bird, president; Marshall Schoenthal, vice-president; Sherri Shewey, secretary; Miracle Mitchem,


Duane Compton
Brent Davis
Kevin Dent
Chris Dillow

Tammy Dye
Brandon Farlow
Eric Faulkner
Ginny Guthrie

Benga Hager
Tom Hall
Rita Hamblin
Amanda Harden

Tina Johnston
Clinton Kegley
Angela Kent
Alison King

David King
Laura Lafferty
Lisa Lafferty
Teresa Lester

Marsha Martin
Barbara Meadows
Jay Meadows
Miracle Mitchem

Travis Munsey Patty Mutter Jason Ramsey Tracy Repass

Mike Sage Marshall Schoenthal Lute Scott
Latrayle Shewey

Sherri Shewey
John Simmons
Jennifer Simms
Heather Smith

## Patrick Smith

Patricia Stowers
David Strock
Crystal Tibbs

Katie Tibbs
Scotty Tickle
William Tickle
Michael Umbarger

Pam Wright


Patricia Austin
Julie Baxley
Doug Boardwine
Tony Boksa

Jim Britton
Alan Cassell
Bobbie Jo Chestnutt
Mary Echols

Brian Farlow
Brian Fore
Amy Haga
Brian Hall

## No Longer Amateurs

No longer were these ninth graders amateurs who worked without a cause. They dedicated themselves to their performance and production throughout the year. Set schedules and daily routines were all in a day's work for these devoted cast members.

Several actors were renown for
their awards and titles. Rachel Havens starred in the leading role of the production of Miss Echo 1987. Dale Morehead won the Snow King crown and four members - JoAnn Shewey, Tony Boksa, Tonya Looney, April Newberry - won parts on the yearbook staff. Eleven members gained
admission to the Junior Beta Club. This award-winning cast has created a good reputation and has contributed much to the success of their class.

CLASS OFFICERS: Dale Morehead, president; Tonya Looney, vice-president; Amy Haga, secretary; JoAnn Shewey, treasurer; Rachel Havens, reporter; Tommy Bird and Sandra Green, sponsors.
J. R. Harris

Brad Havens
Rachel Havens
Cindy Horne

Bradley King
Dusty King
Steven King
Donna Lambert

Kevin Lindamood Tonya Looney
Gayle Mabe
Jenny Meadows

Jerome Meadows
Sandy Mitchell
Heath Moore
Dale Morehead

John Mustard
Henry Nash
Allan Newberry
April Newberry



John Thompson
Randy Townley
Jenny Umbarger
Samantha Waddle
Amanda Pauley
Staci Roseberry
JoAnn Shewey
Tresila Sink

Joey Spain
Michelle Spangler
Richard Spivey
Chad Thompson


LEFT: Mr. Robin Thacker presents Alan Cassell with the Physical Science award. CENTER: Dale Morehead receives the history award from Mr. Fred Beamer.

## Passing Auditions Created Understudies

Understudies had to work just as long and intensively as the stars because they had to be ready to step into a vacancy the stars left. Passing the auditions brought them to the parts symbolized by sophomores.

Ten of these understudies were initiated into Jr. Beta as a stepping stone into Sr. Beta. Two of these skilled sophomores became leading characters in the annual Snow

King/Snow Queen Dance. Kathy Kidd received the honor of Snow Queen while Susan Remines placed third. Susan also won the title of Senior Miss Bland County-1986.
Sophomore understudies have proved they are capable of carrying the torch and filling any vacancy left by the stars.


Happy Dillow and Robbie Waddle seem to think being locked up is a lark, but Chip Bird doesn't share that opinion.

## Debbie Baker

CLASS OFFICERS: Todd Morehead, president; Sammy Simmons, vice-president; Randy Dillow, secretary; Fred Beamer and Rae Lee Honaker, sponsors.

Amanda Baxley
Chip Bird
Gary Blankenship
Junior Blevins

Tiffany Bowen Joyce Bruce Sonya Carroll Sonya Chewning

Jim Colley
Wayne Colley
Kevin Cox Kim Crabtree



Vicki Sarver Sam Simmons Tonya Smith John Stafford

Sarah Strock Tammy Swanson Samantha Tickle Robbie Waddle

Rusty Warden
Scott Wellman
Christie Wolfe
Kevin Wright



LEFT: Beau Guthrie accepts social studies award given by Mr. Fred Beamer. CENTER: Vicki Sarver and Lana Lindamood at the Chautauqua Festival in


Wytheville. RIGHT: Let's hope this isn't a typical high school outfit! Samantha Tickle all dressed up for Halloween.


## Varied Talents of Cast

The interests and activities of the cast of characters was as varied as the characters. Being a part of the ' $86-$ ' 87 production did not limit their individual talents. Instead it enhanced and projected these talents to the spotlight.


TOP LEFT: Sixth and seventh grades earn money by selling food and drink at field day. TOP RIGHT: This out-ofshape little old lady is none other than Lisa Lafferty. BOTTOM LEFT: Entertainment at its best - Mr. John Wagoner and Junior Blevins. BOTTOM RIGHT: This is one fellow you don't want to upset - Joe Putnam in Karate class.


TOP LEFT: Such form!! Ritchie Havens gives a wide swing. TOP RIGHT - CLASS OFFICERS: Ritchie Havens, president; Mike Hounshell, vice-president; Robert Lambert, secretary; Kay Mabe and Jessie Kegley, sponsors.

Angela Atwell Billy Burton Bradley Davis Freda Davis

Wayne Davis Pam Dillow Tammy Farlow Maria Foglesong

Kevin Fore
Vickie French Darci Groseclose Mark Gusler

Mark Hamblin
Ritchie Havens
Rusty Havens Mike Hounshell


## Acts and Scenes For Supporting Cast

Act I found the supporting cast members from the junior class coping with schedules and getting into organizations. With taboos on candy sales for fund raising they had to find other ways to enrich their coffers. Officers
were selected and three members held top offices.

Scene II revealed five girls and nine boys in the basketball and cheerleading lineup.

Act II brought plans for Beta,


## Pam Wright

PHILLIP JAMES BOGLE - Mrs. Mary F. Bogle; Class treasurer (10); Pep (8); FFA (8); Art (12).

LAURA MARY BRITTON - Mr. \& Mrs. James L. Britton; Homecoming candidate (11), Queen (12); 1st runnerup Miss Echo (12); FBLA treasurer (12); FBLA (8-12); FHA (8).

JAMES BENTON CHEWNING Larry \& Phyllis Chewning; Class president (10); FFA (8-12).

DANIEL DEWEY CONLEY - Charlie \& Shirley Conley; Art award (10); FBLA (10); FFA (8); 4-H (8-11); Library (9); Art (8-10).

HAROLD KEITH CONLEY - Charlie \& Shirley Conley; VICA (11-12); FFA (8-10); Vocational-masonry:

## ANTHONY DELANO COX - Bennie

 and Barbra Cox; Varsity letter and bar (11); FFA (9-12); Drama (12); Basketball (8); JV (9-10); Varsity baseball (11-12).CINDY KYLEEN CRABTREE William H. \& Brenda C. Crabtree; FFA Star Greenhand (8); FFA Chapter Farmer; Snow Queen candidate (9); Miss Echo candidate (10); Homecoming Queen candidate (10); FFA National Convention (10); FFA State Convention (9-12); State Beta Convention (12); Prom committee (11); Class president (10); FFA Federation president (11); FFA chapter vice-president (11); VICA parliamentarian (12); FFA (8-12); FHA (10); SCA (8-10); FBLA (8-11); Junior Beta (10); Beta (12); VICA (12); Pep (8-10); Science (12); 4-H (8-10); Basketball (8), JV (9), Varsity (10).

DAVID MICHAEL DALTON - Mr. \& Mrs. Laymond Dalton; AwardsConsumer Math (10), AG Production Proficiencey (10-11); VICA parliamentarian (11), treasurer (12); FFA (8, 10-12); VICA (11-12).

LISA MICHELLE DAVIS - Mr. \& Mrs. Duane C. Davis, Sr.; LetterBand; Class treasurer (8); Band secretary (10); Library president (12); Yearbook business manager (12); FHA recording secretary (12); Band (6-11); 4H (7-12); FHA (11-12); Yearbook (12).

ANGELA DAWN DEHART - Mr. \& Mrs. Oville DeHart; Awards-FHA degrees, Junior (9), Chapter (10), State (12); Homecoming court (10);

2nd runner-up Snow Queen (10); Prom committee (11); FHA chaplain (10), recording secretary (11); Pep (8); FHA (9-12); Choir (10); Library (10); FBLA (12).

JEFFERY WILLIAM DODSON Mr. \& Mrs. William L. Harner; FFA secretary (11), senitnel (12); FFA (912); FBLA (10); Junior Beta (10); Beta (11-12); Drama (12); Baseball (9-12).
AMY DIANE DRUMMOND - Mr. \& Mrs. Vernon L. Drummond; AwardsFHA degrees, Junior (9), Chapter (10); Chorus letter (9); Varsity volleyball letter (11); Snow Queen candidate (12); Homecoming candidate (12); Office worker (11); Regional FBLA competition (11); FHA beauty pageant committee (9-12); FHA 1st vice-president (12); 4-H treasurer (12); Science president (12); Yearbook co-editor (12); Pep (8-10); FHA (8-12); Science (12); SCA (12); Senior 4-H (8-12); FBLA (9-12); Library (12); French (11); Yearbook (12); Volleyball (11).

WILLIAM GLENN EATON — Mr. \& Mrs. Robert Glenn Eaton; Varsity letter; Baseball insert; Snow court (10); Drama president (11), vice-president (12); Art (9-10, 12); FFA (9-12); Drama (11-12); Varsity baseball (11-12); JV basketball (10).

ROBERT ARLINGTON EPPERSON - Mr. \& Mrs. Andrew B. Cruff; Let-ters-Football, baseball, basketball (11); Snow King court (12); French (9); Math (9); Science (9); FFA (810); Hunting \& Fishing (8); Basketball (8); JV (9-10), Varsity (12); Football (8), JV (9-10), Varsity (11); Baseball JV (8-9), Varsity (10-11).

STEPHEN KIRK FANNING - Mr. \& Mrs. Gerald Fanning; Basketball letter (11-12); Baseball letter (9-11); FHA Greenhand (8); Chapter Farmer (9); Prom committee (11); AG cattle judging (11-12); Class secretary (8); Class vice-president (9); FFA 2nd vicepresident (11), vice-president (12); Varsity basketball captain (12); FFA (8-12); Pep (8-10); Basketball (8), JV (9-10), Varisty (11-12); Baseball (912).

WALLACE GENE FRENCH, JR. Mr. \& Mrs. Wallace French; FHA (1011); FFA (8, 9, 12).

LISA FAYE GRAVLEY - Mr. \& Mrs. Howard H. Gravley, Jr.; Awards-Math (9), History (11); Home Ec. (10); Honor letter (11); FHA degrees Junior
(9), chapter (10), state (11); FHA ser-geant-at-amrs (10), corresponding secretary (11); Art (8); FHA (9-12); Junior Beta (9-10); Beta (11-12); VICA (12); Basketball (8), JV (9-10).

JAMES PATRICK GROSECLOSE - Frank and Ruth Groseclose; FFA 2nd vice-president (10); Junor Beta vice-president (10); FFA (8-10); Junior Beta (9-10); French (10); Beta (11-12); VICA (11-12); Basketball (8).

TAMELA SUZANNE HAGA - Mr. \& Mrs. James R. Haga; Awards-English (9), History (11), Accounting I (11); Homecoming court (8); FHA Junior degree (8); Honor letter and bar (1011); Athletic letter and bar (10-12); DAR Award (11); Society of Distinguished American High School Students (11-12); Prom committee (11); Varsity boys' basketball statistician (11-12); Class president (8-9); SCA sergeant-at-arms (9), secretary (10); FHA historian (9); Jr. Beta treasurer (10); French treasuer (10); FBLA historian (10), secretary (11), vice-president (12); Sr. Beta president (12); JV cheerleading captain (10); Varsity basketball co-captain (12); Yearbook business manager (12); FBLA (9-12); FHA (8-12); SCA (8-10); Pep (8); Junior Beta (9-10); Senior Beta (11-12); French (9-10); Library (9-12); Basketball (8), JV (8-9), Varsity (10-12); Tennis (11-12); JV cheerleader (9-10).
ROBERT EDMUND HALL - Judy Davis.

ROBERT JOSEPH HYLTON - Mr. \& Mrs. Billy M. Hylton; All tournament team basketball (8); Varsity letter (11); Class vice-president (9, 10, 12); Art vice-president (12); SCA vicepresident (12); FBLA (10); 4-H; SCA (12); Drama (10-11); Art (12); Basketball (8), JV (9-10), Varsity (11-12).

SAMANTHA DAWN HYLTON Mr. \& Mrs. Jimmy L. Hylton; Athletic letter and bar (10-12); Drama (8, 10); Pep (8-9); FHA (8-10); VICA (11-12); Basketball JV (8-9), Varsity (10-12).

SARAH ELIZABETH KARPINSKI - Ms. Susan Karpinski; FFA Greenhand (8), Chapter Farmer (9), Proficiency (11); Society of Distinguished American High School Students (11); Spring Fling escort (11); FFA reporter (11), treasurer (12); FFA (8, 10-12); Pep (8); Chorus (9-11); Library (1112); Newspaper (11).

DENISE ANN KING - Mr. \& Mrs. Robert King; FHA degree Junior (9), Chapter (10), Stage (11); FHA (8-12); Pep (8-10); VICA (12); Conducted vision screening for the county.

RUSSELL ALLEN KING - Mr. \& Mrs. Thomas M. King; Perfect attendance (8, 10, 11); FFA (8, 10); Drama (11-12); VICA (12); Basketball (8), JV (9); Varsity basketball manager (1112).

WANDA IDETTE KING - Danny and Judy King; FHA (8-12); Pep (8); JV Basketball (8).

ROBERT ALLEN MASSEY - Margie Cochran; FFA (8); Basketball (8), JV (10), Varsity (11-12); Baseball (1011).

JAMES HOWARD MILLER III Mr. \& Mrs. James Howard Miller, Jr.; Drama treasurer (12); FFA (9-12); Art (11); Drama (11-12); Pep (8); Basketball (8), JV (9-10); Baseball (9-12).
STEVE TRACEY MITCHELL - Mr. \& Mrs. Ray Horne; FFA (8-10); Art (12); Dram (12); VICA (12).

LAURA LYNN MOREHEAD - Mr. \& Mrs. A. P. Morehead; Awards-Math (8), Office Technology (11); English (11); Honor letter (11); Library secretary (12); Pep (8); Art (8); Junior Beta (9-10); Chorus (10); Senior Beta (1112); FBLA (12); Library (12).

MICHAEL KEITH MOREHEAD Rodney and Bettie Morehead, Class vice-president (11-12).
ANNA LAMOORE MUNCY - Bill and Pat Muncy; Awards-Civics (10), Economics (11); Athletic letter and bar (10-12); Junior Beta president (10); Drama president (12); Pep (8-9); Junior Beta (9-10); SCA (9-10); Senior Beta (11-12); FBLA (10); Basketball (8), JV (8-9), Varsity (10-12).

LYLE KINDRED MUNCY - Charleen and A. N. Muncy, Jr.; Class president (11); Pep (8); FFA (9); Junior Beta (9-10); Drama (11-12); FBLA (10-11); VICA (12); Band (8-10); Basketball (8).
TAMMY EVONNE MUSTARD Mr. \& Mrs. Albert Eugene Mustard, Jr.; FHA reporter (11); FHA (8-12); French (10-11); Pep (8-9); FBLA (10); Basketball (8), JV (9-10), Varsity (1012).

DAVID LEE MUTTER - Martha Mutter; FHA (11).

LORI EVETTE NELSON - Mr. \& Mrs. Everette E. Nelson; AwardsGeorgrapy (8), Physical Science (8), Math (9), History (11); Honor letter and bar (9-11); FHA Degree-Junior (9), Chatper (10), State (11); National Honor Society (11-12); Distinguished American High School Students (12); FHA treasurer (11); VICA vice-president (12); FHA (8-12); Junior Beta (910); Beta (11-12); VICA (11-12); SCA (12).

REGINA FAY PARRIS - Raymond and Evelina Ferryman; FHA DegreeJunior (8), Chapter (10), State (12); FHA (8-12); Pep (8).

CARLA DANETTE PAULEY - Brenda K. Thompson and Harvey E. Pauley; District Forensics winner-prose (11), poetry (12); Regional Forensics participant (11-12); FBLA Regional Parliamentary Procedure winner (10-12); Participant in Virginia Theatre Conference (10); Received credit for typewriting at WCC (10); Library secretary (10), president (11); Senior Beta secretary (12); FBLA secretary (10), reporter (11), president (12); Drama vice-president (11); French secretary (11); Library (8-11); Pep (8); Junior Beta (9-10); Beta (11-12); FBLA (912); Drama (10-12); French (11); 4-H (8-9); VICA (12); FHA (8-12); Newspaper (12); Basketball (8, 10); JV Cheerleader (10).

ELIZABETH DAWN PRUITT Harold W. and Jeannette K. Pruitt; FHA Degree-Junior (8); Chapter (10); State (12); FHA (8-12); SCA (910); Pep (8-10); Junior Beta (9-10); Beta (11-12); French (10, 12).

DONNA LYNN RICHARDSON Mr. \& Mrs. C. M. Scott; FHA ser-geant-at-arms (12); FHA (8-12); VICA (12); Pep (8-12).
THELMA SUE SARVER-Emory E. and Carmella Sarver; Pep (8); Art (8, 12); Junior Beta (9); FBLA (9-10); French (10-12); SCA (12).

CARRIE JEAN SHELTON - Bruce and Jean Shelton; FHA Degree-Junior (8), Chapter (9), State (11); National Merit for Science (8); FHA (812); Pep (8); Junior Beta (9-10); FBLA (9); Beta (11-12); French (12).

LEON WILLIAM SINK II - Mr. \& Mrs. Leon W. Sink, Sr.; Perfect attendance (8, 11); Green Hand award (8); Class secretary-treasurer (10-11);

Class secretary (12); Science vicepresident (12); Yearbook co-editor (12); FFA (8); Science (12); FBLA (10-12; Pep (9-10); Drama (11-12); Yearbook (12); Spring Fling Court (11); Snow King court (12); Prom committee (11); Dramactics Competition Regional Play (11).

VALERIE LYNN STEPP - Bill Stepp and Janice Webber; AwardsMath honorable mention (9), math field day (10), History (11), Geometry (11), Chemistry (11); Honor letter (11); Pep (8); Honor Society (10-11); Jr. Ettes (10); Key (11); Beta (12); Track (10).

ERIC STEPHEN STROCK - Mr. \& Mrs. Bobby M. Strock; DAR (12); Beta vice-president (12); Junior Beta (910); Beta (11-12); French (10-11); Baseball (11-12); State Beta Convention (11-12); Snow King candidate (12); Prom committee (11).

TIMOTHY SHANE THOMPSON Harold and Teresa Thompson; Basketball letter (11-12); FFA Greenhand (8); FFA Chapter Farmer (9); FFA (812); French (10-11); Junior Beta (910); Basketball (9, 10-12); Prom servant (10); FFA State convention (10); Spring Fling court (11).

BEVERLY HOPE TOWNLEY - Mr. \& Mrs. R. B. Townley; Award-Physical Education (10); Perfect attendance (10); FHA degree-Junior (8); Chapter (9); FHA 2nd vice-president (11), president (12); 4-H president (12); Pep (8); 4-H (8-12); Junior Beta (9-10); FBLA (9-10, 12); Art (9); French (11); FHA (8-12); Library (12); Harvest Festival candidate (9); Prom committee (11); Homecoming candidate (12).

BARRY TODD TURNER - Sonny and Carol Turner; SCA (10); Pep (8-9); FFA (8-10); Snow King candidate (11).

ELIZABETH ANN UMBARGER Wayne Umbarger and Linda Fouse; FBLA treasurer (11); Junior Beta secretary (10); FHA historian (9); SCA sergeant-at-arms (9); FHA (8-12); Pep (8); Art (9); Library (9-11); SCA (9); Drama (10); FBLA (9-11); Junior Beta (9-10); Beta (11-12); VICA (12); Yearbook (11); Basketball (8-10).

STAFFORD RAYMOND LEWIS UMBARGER - Della Mae Neel; FFA (8-9); FHA (10-12).


TOP: Eager to spend money on senior pic-tures-Phillip Bogle, Leon Sink, Tammy Mustard, Hope Townley, Glenn Eaton, Mabel (Delmar representative). CENTER: A typical hall scene-Cindy Crabtree, Tammi Haga, Carla Pauley, Laura Britton, Sam Hylton, Tammy Mustard, LaMoore Muncy, Elizabeth Turner. BOTTOM LEFT: This must be 5th period because these are never in the class-room-Bodie Miller, Glenn Eaton, Anthony Cox and Jamie Chewning (bottom). BOTTOM RIGHT: Bob Hylton makes sure his toes are not over the line.
 Allen Massey in background.
80 - Candids

## Rehearsals for major production

How quickly the time has passed. It seems like only yesterday when rehearsals were begun for our major production. The first rehearsals, our eighth and ninth grade classes, were awkward and trying; but, by tenth grade we had "gotten the hang of things" and production was running smoother. As juniors, we felt like we
had become professional actors and only occasionally needed to look at the script or have our lines prompted. Our Senior year brought with it complete assurance on the part of the actors even if the production staff did still have some doubts. As we look back over the last five years and all of the "rehearsals" that have prepared
us for the "major production" of going out into the world, we feel that we have learned well and are ready to meet the challenge.


Phillip James Bogle "Phillip"

Laura Mary Britton
"Legs"
James Benton Chewning
"Snuggles"

Daniel Dewey Conley
"Daniel"
Harold Keith Conley
"Shee-Shay"
Anthony Delano Cox
"Skunk"

Cindy Kylene Crabtree
"Crash"
David Michael Dalton
"Hooty"
Lisa Michelle Davis
"Lisa"

Angela Dawn DeHart
"Angela"
Jeffery William Dodson "Jeff"

Amy Diane Drummond "Amay"


William Glenn Eaton "Eaton"

Robert Arlington Epperson "Bobby"

Stephen Kirk Flanning "Stevie"

Walace Gene French "Gene"

Lisa Faye Gravely
"Bug"
James Patrick Groseclose "Pat"

Tamela Suzanne Haga "Tammi"

Robert Edmund Hall
"Robert"
Robert Joseph Hylton "Bob"

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Tamela "Tazani" Haga



Samantha Dawn Hylton "Sam"

Sarah Elizabeth Karpenski "Shay"

Denise Ann King "Nisey"

Russell Allan King "Squirrel"

Wanda Idette King "Ida"

Robert Allan Massey "Allan"

James Howard Miller, III
"Bodie"
Steven Tracy Mitchell
"Steve"
Laura Lynn Morehead "Laura"

Michael Keith Morehead "Mike"

Anna LaMoore Muncy
"LaMoore"
Lyle Kindred Muncy
"Lyle"

Tammy Evonne Mustard "Tammy"

David Lee Mutter
"David"
Lori Evette Nelson "Lori"

Regina Faye Parris "Gina"

Carla Danette Pauley
"Carla"

Elizabeth Dawn Pruitt "Dawn"

Donna Lynn Richardson "Donna"

Thelma Sue Sarver
"Jayme"

Carrie Jean Shelton
"Carrie"

Leon William Sink, II "Leon"

Valerie Lynn Stepp
"Val"
Eric Steven Strock
"Eric"



Timothy Shane Thompson
"Rockin Roll Thompson"
Beverly Hope Townley
"Hope"
Barry Todd Turner
"Todd"

Elizabeth Ann Umbarger
"Issis"
Raymond Lewis Stafford Umbarger "Stafford"

Donna Richardson and Eric Strock assemble the price sign for the senior fair booth.

## SENIOR FAVORITE THINGS

TEACHERS
Mrs. Bird
Mr. Havens
Mrs. Faulkner
SUBJECTS
English
Study Hall
Drama
COLORS
Blue
Red
Black
MAGAZINES
Hit Parader
Seventeen
Circus
SODA POPS
Mt. Dew
Coke
Dr. Pepper

FAVORITE SONGS
You Give Love A Bad Name
Rumors
All Cried Out
MOVIES
Revenge of the Nerds
Top Gun
Karate Kid II
FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS
Hardees
McDonalds
Pizza Hut
MALE SINGERS
Hank Williams Jr.
Don Johnson
Phil Collins
FAVORITE HANGOUTS
Hogback
Maxway's Parking Lot
B\& B Grocery

FOOD
Pizza
Hamburgers
Steak
RADIO STATIONS
K-92
J-104
Q-99
FEMALE SINGERS
Madonna
Tina Turner
Joan Jett
ROCK GROUP
Bon Jovi
Ratt
Twisted Sister
CARTOON CHARACTERS
Garfield
Snoopy
Bugs Bunny

CANDIES
$M \& M$ 's
Reese Cups
Skittles
SPORTS
Football
Basketball
Baseball
TV SHOWS
Miami Vice
Alf
Cosby Show


TOP: SENIOR CLASS 1987 BOTTOM:
CLASS OFFICERS: President, Issis Umbarger; Vice-President, Mike Morehead; Secretary, Leon Sink; Treasurer, Bob Hylton; Class Sponsors: Janet Faulkner, Richard Havens.

## Miss America - Miss Universe



## Student

Life


Autumn beauty on Main Street "downtown" Bland

## "You're the Inspiration"

Fairy godmothers worked overtime on May 17, 1986, as they transformed already lovely ladies and handsome gentlemen into Cinderellas and Prince Charmings. There were no pumpkin coaches or footmen, but students arrived in regal style in ballroom gowns and tuxedos.

Months of planning and preparation had gone into the production of "You're the Inspiration." Various means were used to raise the necessary funds for such a costly endeavor.

Class members secretly met and worked on decorations, senior gifts, and voting for a queen and king.
A blue and silver color scheme sparkled from the tables, streamers, stars, and a giant archway.

Midway through the production,
gifts were presented to each senior, and Melanie Morehead and William Davis received crowns for Prom Queen and King.

Music was provided by Johnny Goins.


Mr. and Mrs. Robin Thacker


Sponsor - Kay Mabe with husband, Mike.



TOP LEFT: A romantic background reflects itself in the starry-eyed participants. CENTER LEFT: Friends at beautifully decorated tables. BOTTOM LEFT: Stars festoon the archway and glitter throughout the blue and silver decorations. TOP RIGHT: Prom Queen and King - Melanie Morehead and William Davis. BOTTOM RIGHT: Senior gift giving. Jeff Cox, Tammi Haga, Cindy Crabtree, Hope Townley.


## Pressure

Pressure and suspense began for the cast and production crew of "Miss Echo 1987" on September 15. Candidates received receipt books and the race was on to see who would sell the most yearbooks and earn the crown of "Miss Echo" on September 26.

Crew members prepared background scenery and set up the props. When the curtain was ready to go up and the moment of truth drew nearer, candidate's faces revealed excitement and anticipation.

Entertainment was provided by the combined bands and choirs of Bland and Rocky Gap, Angela DeHart, Laura Morehead, Roberta Kegley, Lana Lindamood and Lyle Muncy. The Drama Club had their own version of Miss Echo - entitled "Miss Yucko." The applause of the audience determined that Ellis Wade won the crown of "Miss Yucko 1987."

Rachel Havens was crowned "Miss Echo of 1987", having sold 99 yearbooks. Rita Gusler, Miss Echo 1986, crowned the new title holder. Each candidate received a monogrammed keychain. In addition, Rachel received a tiara and banner.

The Miss Echo court led the first dance to live music provided by the band, ROCKIN HORSE.



OPPOSITE PAGE - TOP: MISS ECHO COURT - Brad Dillow, Vicki Sarver, 10th; David King, Latrayle Shewey, 8th; Rachel Havens, Mike Fanning, 9th; Darci Groseclose, Bob Hylton, 11th; Laura Britton, Eric Strock, 12th. BOTTOM: Rachel Havens, Miss Echo 1987 TOP: Dancers enjoy the live band, ROCKIN HORSE. CENTER LEFT: Lana Lindamood and Lyle Muncy sing "Both to each Other." CENTER: "Always on my Mind" by Roberta Kegley. CENTER RIGHT: Angela DeHart plays "America the Beautiful" accompanied by Laura Morehead on piano. BOTTOM: Drama Club's "Miss Yucko" - Steven Mitchell, Brad Dillow, Anthony Cox, Jeff Dodson, Rusty King, Bodie Miller, Ellis Wade and Glenn Eaton.


TOP LEFT: 2nd runner-up - Kristina Goins CENTER LEFT: 1st runner-up Leslie Annette Kelley. TOP RIGHT: Little Miss Bland County 1987 - April Blankenship. BOTTOM LEFT: Little Miss contestants - Amber Simmons, Lorie Tabor, Gina Wolfe. BOTTOM RIGHT: Beta and FBLA provide enter-
 tainment.

## Once Upon a Fantasy

Fantasy played an important part in the production of "Once Upon a Fantasy" creating dreams and illusions for participants and spectators. Ordinary girls between the ages of 5 and 12 became visions of loveliness as they paraded down the walkway. Fantasy became reality for two young ladies on October 17, 1986.
Beta and FBLA combined their talents to produce Little Miss and Junior Miss Bland County. Feverishly they worked from mid-September to present a perfect production. Deco-
rations of pink and lavender streamers and pink balloons provided the background for the 63 lovely contestants. A panel of three judges were kept busy recording scores for each girl. With calculators and pencils, Mrs. Vicki Ogle, Mrs. Kay Mabe, and Mrs. Chris Bird tallied the scores. The tallies were then taken to the "wings" by JoAnn Shewey. During this time club members presented a number of songs to entertain the audience.

Mistresses of ceremony, Carla

Pauley (FBLA president) and Tammi Haga (Beta president), remained calm and on top of their duties as they presented each contestant.

Excitement mounted as the numbers were reduced to ten in each pageant. As this was narrowed to three, parents and friends waited with bated breath for the announcement of the winners. Disappointment revealed itself on many faces but there were only smiles and elation for April Blankenship and Lori Compton, Little Miss and Junior Miss 1987.


TOP: 2nd runner-up - Heidi Guthrie; Junior Miss - Lori Compton; 1st runner-up - Angelina Garcia. BOTTOM LEFT: Heather Burton, Wendy Wolfe, Michelle Wright. BOT-

TOM RIGHT: Kimberly Nelson, Crystal Thompson, Heather Slaughter, Becky Mallory, Jennie Lambert.


## Trend Setters in Costume Design

With the exception of a movie stars dressing room, no where else could a more varied selection of costumes be found than at a high school. BCS is no different. Each year brings with it new styles in clothing, hair, and make-up. Of course you wouldn't be "caught dead" without the right look. Our characters are always picture perfect in their designs.

Big shirts, Reeboks, and "banana" combs are just some of the current rage in fashion. Jeans and jean jackets are ever-popular and are seen daily on large cast of characters at our school.

Hairstyles are, of course, constant concern for both sexes. This years' trend seems to be longer hair for both boys and girls. Boys are also adding perms to the longer style and girls set the '86-87 look with fluffy styles.

TOP LEFT - Rusty King, Amy Drummond, Michael Morehead, Glenn Eaton, Lyle Muncy, Bob Hylton, Idette King, Bodie Miller BOTTOM LEFT - Daniel Conley, Tammy Mustard



TOP CENTER: Lyle Muncy, Timmy Thompson, Rusty King, Bob Hylton, Bodie Miller BOTTOM LEFT: Robbie Waddle BOTTOM CENTER - Amanda Harden BOTTOM RIGHT: Mike Hounshell and Anthony Cox



TOP: August 22, 8:30 a.m. the first bus arrives, beginning the new school year. CENTER LEFT: Looks serious - Donna Warden, Bobby Epperson and Kevin Fore. CENTER RIGHT: "How much longer?" Darci Groseclose, Lana Lindamood and Bob Hylton on FHA Washington trip. BOTTOM LEFT: "Is Mr. Collins trying to tell us something?' BOTTOM RIGHT: Louise Hall, Claudine Waddle and Alma Waddle wait to display their goods at the fair.



## FBLA Produces "snow"

Traditionally, the Snow Queen \& King dance brings snow. For awhile it seemed this year would follow that tradition because snow fell rapidly in mid-afternoon. It soon subsided to the relief of all involved.

Candidates from nine clubs vied for the honor of being named to royalty. For three weeks they collected penny votes. Now they paced the hall, nervously adjusting a tie or smoothing a stray hair.

The introductions and the line-up were completed with eyes and ears tuned for the names of the winners. Sponsored by the Newspaper staff, April Newberry and Rusty Bird captured 2nd runner-up, while 1st run-ner-up, Susan Remines and Eugene King, came from the French Club. Winners from 1986, Becky Melvin and Chip Bird, returned to crown the 1987 winners, Kathy Kidd and Dale Morehead, who were sponsored by the Jr. Betas.

TOP: 1987 SNOW QUEEN \& KINGKathy Kidd and Dale Morehead. CENTER: Couples enjoy the music provided by Johnny Goins. BOTTOM: Candi-dates-Pam Chewning, Mike Morehead, Tonya Looney, Jon Melvin, Kathy Kidd, Dale Morehead, Sonya Carroll, Alan Cassell, Amy Drummond, Leon Sink, Carla Pauley, Eric Strock, April Newberry, Rusty Bird, Susan Remines, Eugene King, Donna Warden, Bobby Epperson.


## A Night of Stars

Oh, to be a star for even one night would fulfill anyone's dream. All of the teenagers in the Miss Bland and Senior Miss Bland County pageants became stars as they donned lovely dresses, smiles and twirled before judges and audience on April 4, 1986.

A night of excitement, laughter and thrills arose as the six judges from Bluefield College were introduced. The Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Scott Bowen, introduced the participants.
As the judges marked score sheets, the field narrowed and the remaining contestants fought rapid pulses, moist palms, and shaky knees. With only two left, they joined hands and whispered to each other, "I hope you win." That's not only good friends but true stars.

Escorts for the pageant were Ritchie Havens, T. J. Roseberry, Brad Dillow and Bob Hylton.

BOTTOM: Angie Thompson - 2 nd run-ner-up; Sherri Wimmer - Miss Bland
 County; Lynn Tate - 1st runner-up.



TOP RIGHT: Donna Lambert - 2nd runner-up; Susan Remines - Senior Miss Bland County; Chris Wiley - 1st runner-up. CENTER RIGHT: Six semifinalists - Chris Wiley, Susan Remines, Ethia Parlier, Lana Lindamood, Donna Lambert, Darci Groseclose. BOTTOM RIGHT: The Bryant family - entertainment. TOP LEFT: Susan Remines - Senior Miss Bland County. BOTTOM LEFT: Miss Tammy Davis, 1985 winner, crowns Susan Remines.


TOP: National Lunch Week brought parents out to eat with their offspring. At left is Donnie Gamble with daughter Whitney. At right Kelly Dunn doesn't look too pleased (camera or lunch?!?) as Mom Karen shares lunchtime. BOTTOM LEFT: JAMS and T-shirt day - Elizabeth Turner poses before decorated senior lockers. CENTER RIGHT: We found this cherub on Toga Day - Vicki Sarver. BOTTOM RIGHT: Was this how Nero looked! Joe Putnam on Toga Day.




TOP - HOMECOMING COURT: Patrick Smith, Vicki Sarver - 10; Rusty King, Laura Britton - 12; Shannon King, Amy Drummond - 12; Marshall Schoenthal, Lana Lindamood - 11; Jon

## Delays/dance

## cause

## disappointment

Once again homecoming week got shortened by weather. Voting for the court took place on Wednesday since snow had been predicted. With 12 inches of the white stuff on Thursday followed by 12 more inches on Sunday, another week passed before returning to school. Crowning of the queen had been postponed until Valentine's Day. Following the boy's JV game, candidates and escorts were introduced and the winners recognized. Laura Britton received a floral bouquet and a glittering tiara as Homecoming Queen. Each of the winners from classes 8-12 received an arm bouquet. Candidates were as follows with the winner of each grade listed first: 12th - Laura Britton, Amy Drummond, Hope Townley; 11th - Lana Lindamood, Karen Strock; 10th - Vicki Sarver, Sonya Carroll; 9th - Tonya Looney, Tresila Sink; 8th — Pam Chewning, Heather Smith.

Because of problems at a previous dance, homecoming dance was banned. However, some of the students got together for a dance at the Bland Community Building.

## Production

## switcheroo

A pink balloon chandelier and sparkling gold, green and pink streamers set the stage for the Spring Fling dance on April 25, 1986. This production was a switcheroo since the candidates for the crown were males and the females assumed the role of escort.

From previously selected candidates, students voted for one from each class (8-12). This popular vote gave the title of King to Sammy Lambert (12th) with Jeff Cox as runnerup. Winners from other grades were Tim Thompson (11th), Andy Putnam (10th), Gary Blankenship (9th), and Allan Newberry (8th). King Sammy received a white top hat and each of the others received black felt derbys.

Johnny Goins provided the music for the dance.

TOP: Escort Tracy Kegley and King Sammy Lambert. BOTTOM LEFT: Ritchie Havens and Darci Groseclose share more than the dance. BOTTOM RIGHT: Dancing under the pink balloon chandelier.




TOP-ESCORTS \& CANDIDATES: Sarah Karpenski, Leon Sink, Sarah Newberry, Shannon King, Sonya Carroll, Gary Blankenship, Samantha Waddle, Jim Britton. CENTER-SPRING FLING COURT: Tim Thompson, Elizabeth Turner, Andy Putnam, Tonya Smith, Jeff Cox, Tracy Kegley, King Sammy Lambert, Sonya Carroll, Gary Blankenship, Vicki Sarver, Allan Newberry. BOTTOM: Slow dances are preferred by these members.


TOP: We turned this picture upside down to make you think they were hand standing. They really have their feet braced and are pushing up the ceiling. Vicki Sarver, Lana Lindamood, Tonya Smith. BOT-

TOM LEFT: "You're kidding-it can't be!" Susan Remines, Robbie Waddle, Sonya Chewning. BOTTOM RIGHT: Crystal Tibbs lobs this one to Pam Wright.



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LEFT: Patricia Stowers in a whammy across the net.
CENTER RIGHT: Checking for accuracy - Jennifer Simms, Ginny Guthrie, Teresa Lester.
BOTTOM RIGHT: Lunchtime finds a scramble to get a computer - then "Draw Poker" is the game of this year.


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## Video

 Camera
## Goes Wild

The video camera went wild. The result was a conglomeration of takes from assorted productions. They may have come from the show "Amen," or "Highway to Heaven," NBA playoffs, "Hour Magazine," "Head of the Class," or a host of others. Put together they showed the friendship, happiness and loyalty to and in a spirit-filled institution.

TOP: Could this be the Angel Gabriel talking to Saint Peter????? BOTTOM LEFT: Hall monitors? !? Brian Townley and Brad Dillow. BOTTOM RIGHT: Kevin Fore flips a perfect basket as teammates Mike Hounshell, Andy Putnam and Steve Fanning move in for a helping hand.




TOP LEFT: Jay Meadows is very careful using a flame for his experiment in science. TOP RIGHT: No, it's not a pledge to the flag, just Elizabeth Turner taking a bow. BOTTOM LEFT: Clinton Kegley races to the basket against stiff opposition and is aided by teammates Patrick Smith and David King. BOTTOM RIGHT: Power ball by Pam Dillow.


TOP LEFT: This cute little devil appeared in our hallowed halls on October 31. TOP RIGHT: When you can't hit it you put a hex on it - Latrayle Shewey. CENTER: JV time out while Mr. Rich Hankins gives instructions to Leslie Duncan, Happy Dillow, and Brian Duncan. BOTTOM LEFT: Mr. Robin Thacker advises 8th grade team members William Tickle, Robbie Taylor, John Simmons and Billy Epperson. BOTTOM RIGHT: A small segment of visitors to Lord's Acre Sale.


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In loving memory From the ' 87 senior class

## MICHAEL SHAWN COMPTON

May 19, 1969
July 10, 1980
I have come to understand that we see only a small part of the whole pattern of existence. Sorrow and suffering give opportunities for growth. Disappointment often opens doors to wider fields. The tragedy of death, as someone wiser than I has said, is separation, but even separation may not be permanent. The sense of continuing companionship with those who have gone beyond the horizon which comes to me occasionally makes me confident that someday we shall see beyond the mystery which now we must accept. Often it seems that those who have most to give to the world are the very ones who are taken from it in the flower of their youth and vigor. It is hard to understand why this should be so, unless - and this I believe to be true - they have done whatever it was they had to do here, have fulfilled their secret contract with this world, and have been released for more important work elsewhere.

Elizabeth Gray Vining Friendly and wearing a smile for everyone, Shawn loved rock music, sports and the outdoor life. Shawn was the only son of Paricia Compton Mitchell and Dean Compton. Shawn was killed by lightning on July 10, 1980.

## Seniors of ' 87 take a final bow

In 1974 we numbered forty-five At the early age of five.

From a sheltered, carefree world where we did as we pleased, we entered a structured scheduled world of sharing, listening and learning. Our teachers were Mrs. Katherine Reynolds and Mrs. Becky Scott. Not only did we receive new instructors each year, but the classroom names and faces constantly shifted and changed.

We completed our elementary education in ' 82 and began secondary with schedule choices, changing classes and extracurricular privileges. This also brought the neverending fund raising (toward a future Prom and senior trip). We have survived the hardships of tough courses, the driver's training and test, competency and SRA tests, and the joys and tears of boy/girl relationships. Now we are entering the world of work or higher education, learning to balance a budget, and making decisions for a lifetime companion. We will miss our friends and school days, but we must go forth to the future and find our place in the world of tomorrow.

Now we're 18, the magical age of heaven As we leave this institution in ' 87.

