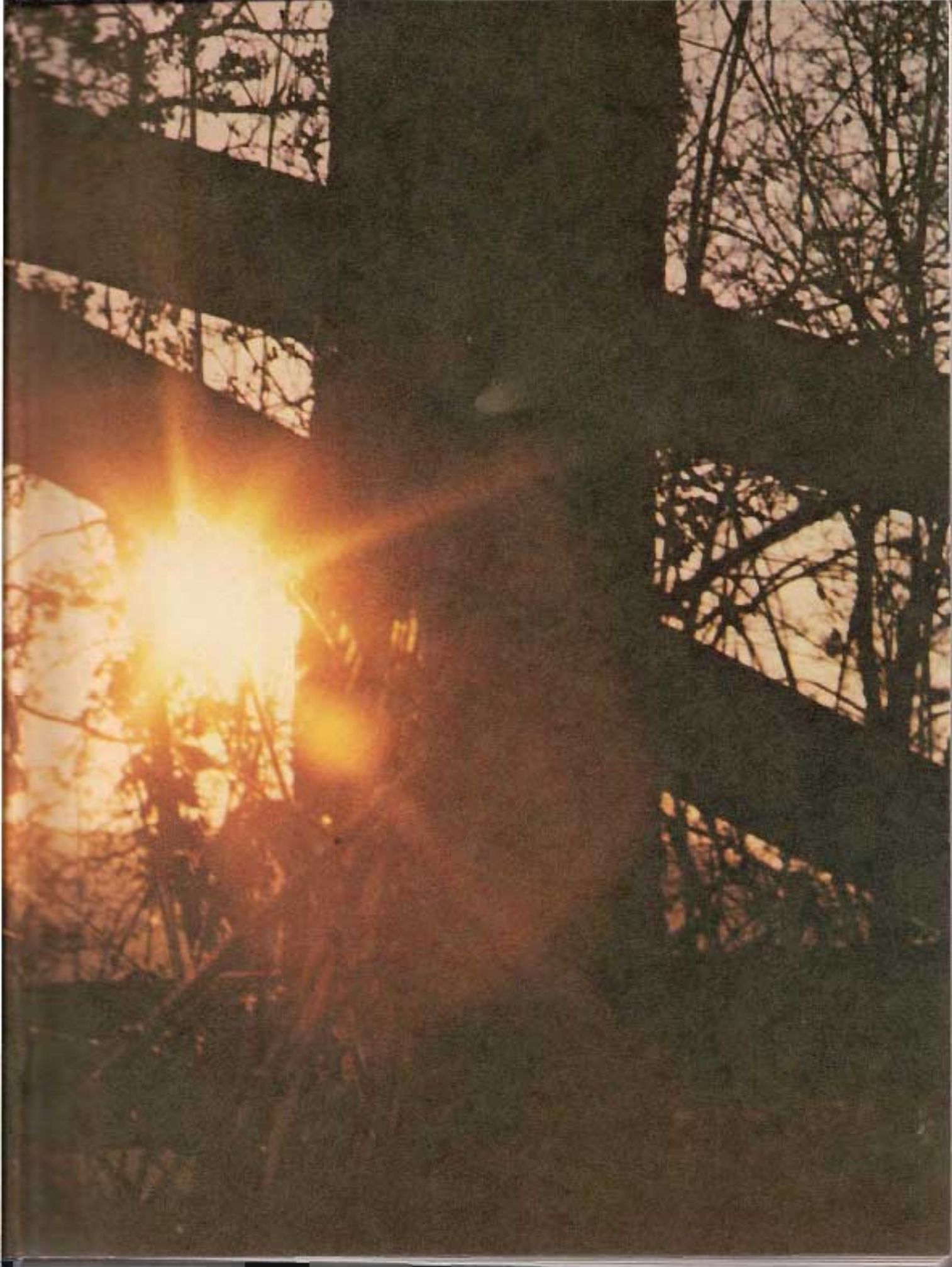




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We began the year with different hopes and dreams, but came together in unity for the purpose of growing, playing and learning together. This spirit of togetherness meant many things at DHS.





School was a meeting place for friends, and the friendships made were a sheltering tree. The knowledge gained was a planted seed. And the experiences we lived, taught us to appreciate each other.



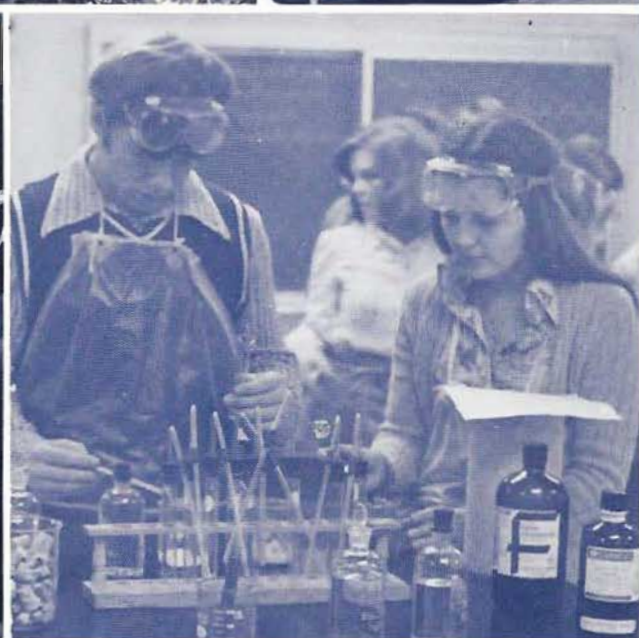
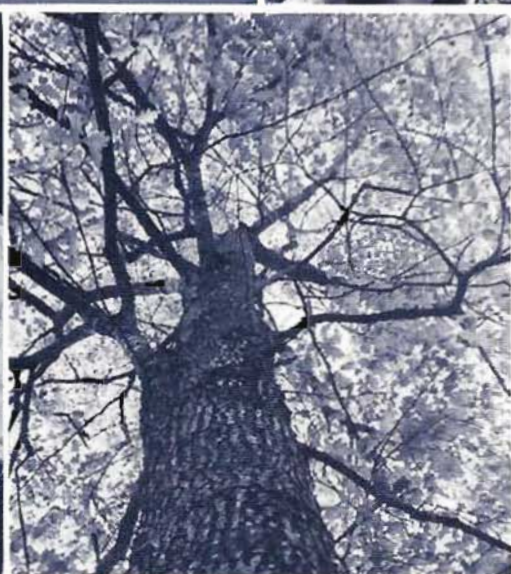
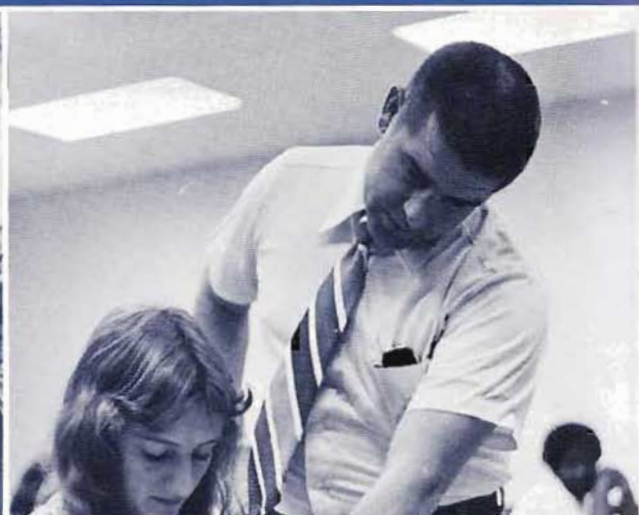




DHS was more than a building. It was a mood, a smile, an opportunity. It was victory, as well as defeat. To us this year was a collection of memories - some sad, some exhilarating. But each memory is worth remembering in fondness.

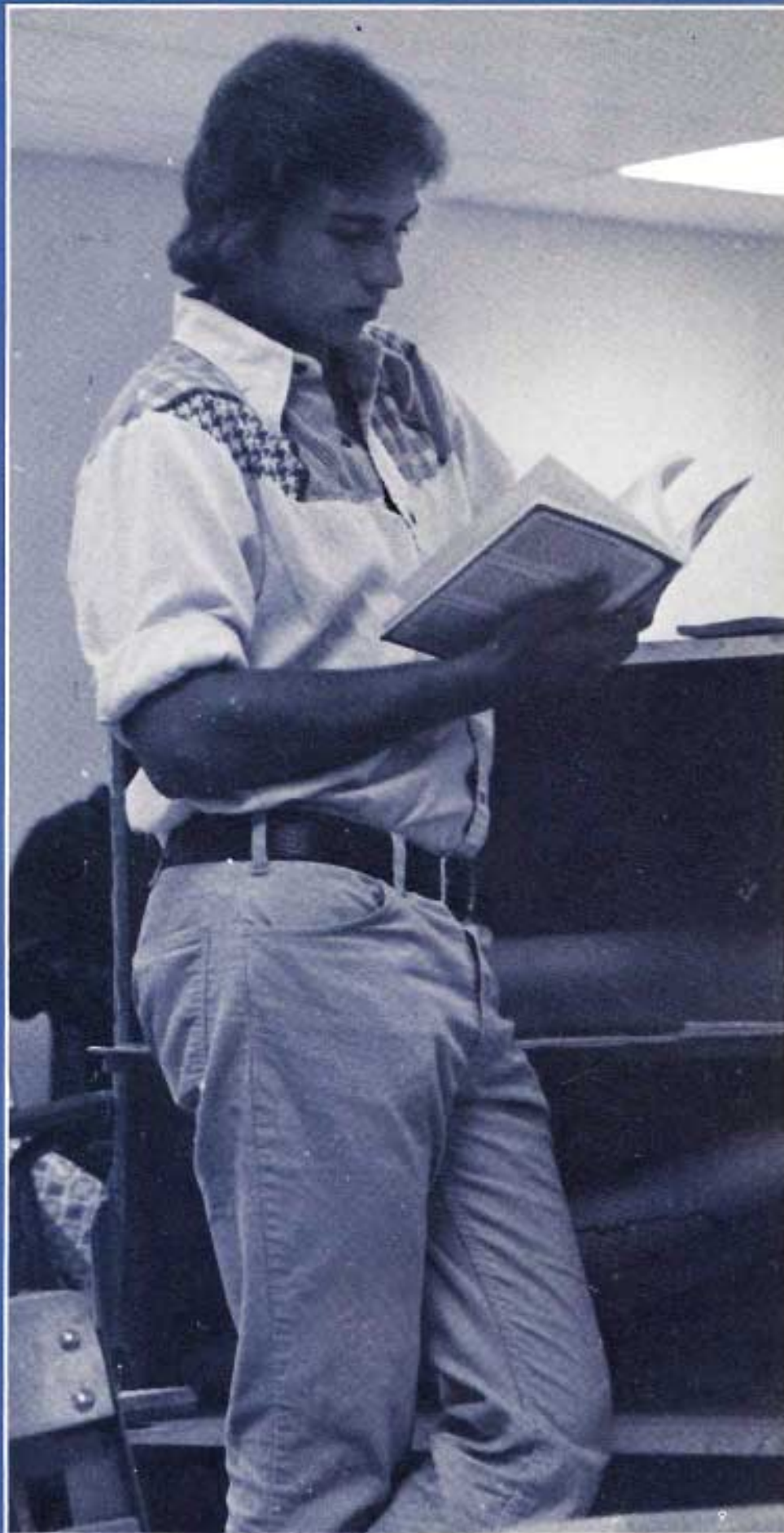






Academics

Most of the DHS school day was spent in hours of research, pains of concentration and last minute cramming. Through careful guidance and gentle persuasion, the seeds of knowledge were planted, nurtured and grown by our faculty. Even though our goals and attitudes varied, each student received some recognition of achievement for his involvement.



Students experiment with Science

Sounds in science classes ranged from the scream of a student dissecting a frog or cat to the dead silence of Physics students diligently working problems. Many advanced science courses prepared students for future careers in science. The new lab gave better facilities for Biology and Chemistry students. Even non-science oriented students were enticed by such unique classes as Oceanography and Field Biology.



Top left: Mark Risinger, Jimmy Martín, and Mark Boyd test out polluted water.

Top right: Chris Malloy and Rebecca Thompson run experiments in Chemistry I.

Bottom left: Alex DeViveiros traps insects in Field Biology.

Bottom right: Sharon Young studies paramecium in Biology I.



Math —

where numbers always add up

Although many inquisitive students questioned the necessity of some facets of math, they did not have to face the problems of mathematics alone. Computer terminals in the Math Lab were available in order to assist students in areas of trouble. The Math Lab allowed able students to work ahead of their classes. The ten classes in mathematics gave students the opportunity to choose the class best suited to their ability.



Leslie Grantland works against time on a quarter math exam.

DeWayne Travelstead receives help on solving a problem from his teacher, Mrs. Joyita Jones.



Students learn the basic skills needed in Typing I.

Typing II student, Winnie Mason, practices advanced clerical skills.

Business courses require special skills

Whether students take business courses for future college aid or job training, the goal of the Business Department was to enable students to learn techniques of business and funnel them into precise skills. The seven courses that comprised the Business Department stressed accuracy and neatness in all fields.

Art is whatever you want it to be

Art students chose courses that were adapted to their particular talents and interests. Students in Art I did pencil sketches, pen and ink drawings, batik, pottery and macrame. Projects in Commercial Art and Painting ranged from record album covers and fashion advertisements, to acrylic paintings on canvas. Macrame and pottery skills studied in Art I were developed further by students in Ceramics and Crafts.



Kevin Herring, Rose Castro, and Teresa Burkett work on painting projects in Commercial Art.

Keith Heinze improves his technique on the potter's wheel.



Ceramics and Crafts student Richard Baker knots intently on his macrame wall hanging.



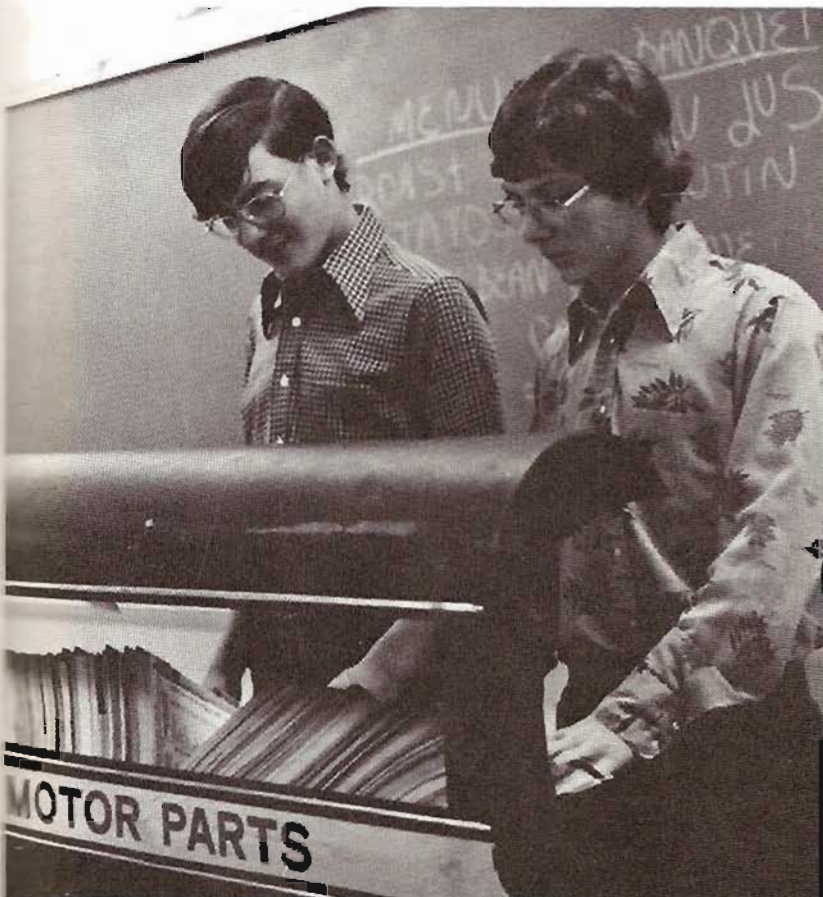
VOE students practice important clerical skills.



Vocational Education offers first hand experience

The philosophy that experience is the best teacher was certainly practiced in the Vocational Department. During the school day, many students worked outside the school in jobs that offered job experience and extra money. Students chose from four vocational areas, depending on their particular needs.

Darlene Klecka administers a blood pressure test to Kim Angelovic.



Randy Synsyzske and Tommy Kowls examine motor parts manuals in OCT.



Foreign Language is communication with our neighbors

The Foreign Language Department offered courses in German, French and Spanish. The skills of speaking a foreign language were taught through tapes, skits, records, films and word games. Second, third, and fourth year students strengthened speaking and writing skills. Students exhibited their talents at several contests this year in individual and group events.



Brad Cardenas interviews a classmate in German class.

English stimulates imagination

This year, as in past years, students realized that English was much more than "i before e except after c." After studying basic principles, students put their ideas into paragraphs, and finally, a five-paragraph theme. Senior students replaced the more traditional English courses with Shakespeare, World Drama, Novel, and Poetry. In Composition, a required part of English IV, students wrote research papers.



Ricky Payne researches a topic during English.

Students in English III add a different touch to regular class activities.





Choir students practice for the Spring Concert.



The cornet and trumpet section rehearse for an upcoming concert.

Music provides self expression

The Music Department contained something for everyone. Choir strengthened vocal abilities through duet and ensemble performances. The marching band provided entertainment during football games at half-time. Symphonic and Concert Bands participated in various contests and concerts, bringing home many awards and trophies. A new facet was added to the Music Department. A Stage Band was developed to explore the jazz field of music.

Drum Major Gayle Phillips exuberantly leads the marching band during a football game.

Home Economics prepares students for real world

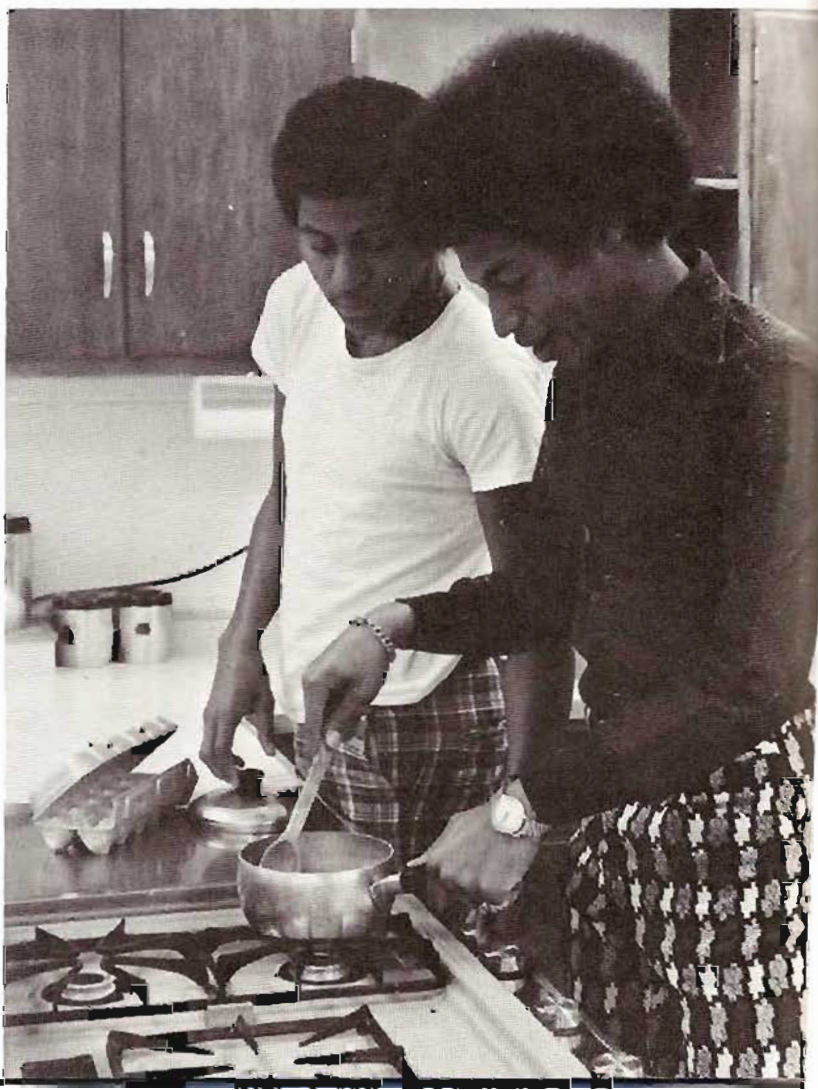
The goal of the Homemaking Department was to prepare students for the real world. Students in the various Homemaking courses studied basic cooking and sewing skills, and even designed their ideal home. Home and Family Living students strengthened basic skills and additionally studied marriage and child care.

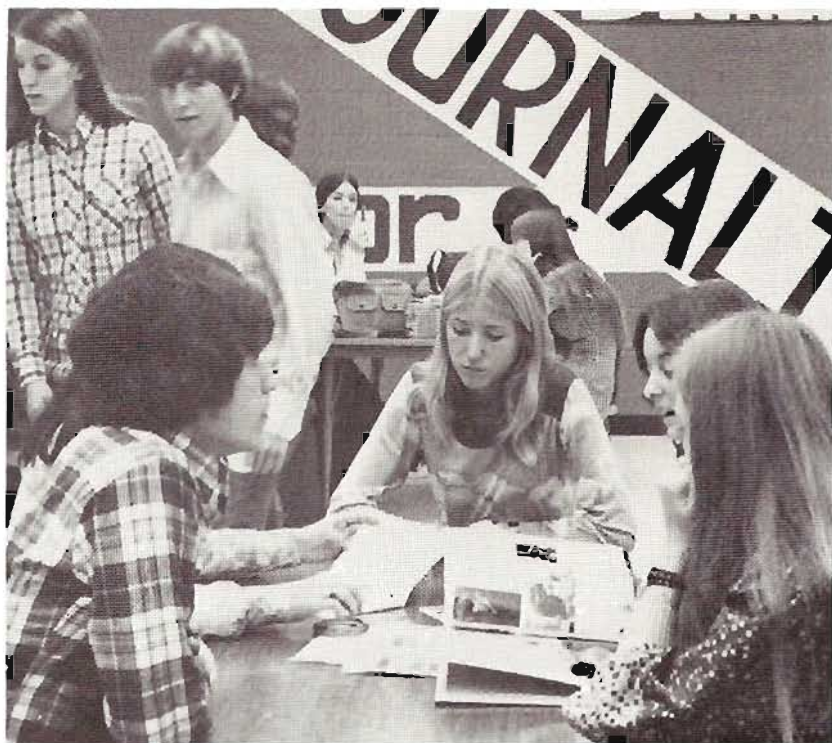


Paula Turner threads a needle for hem work.

Lamar Gillis concentrates while resewing a seam in Home and Family Living.

Anthony Griffith and Greg Jenkins practice the delicate art of cooking scrambled eggs.





GATOR group editors discuss possibilities for the '75 yearbook.

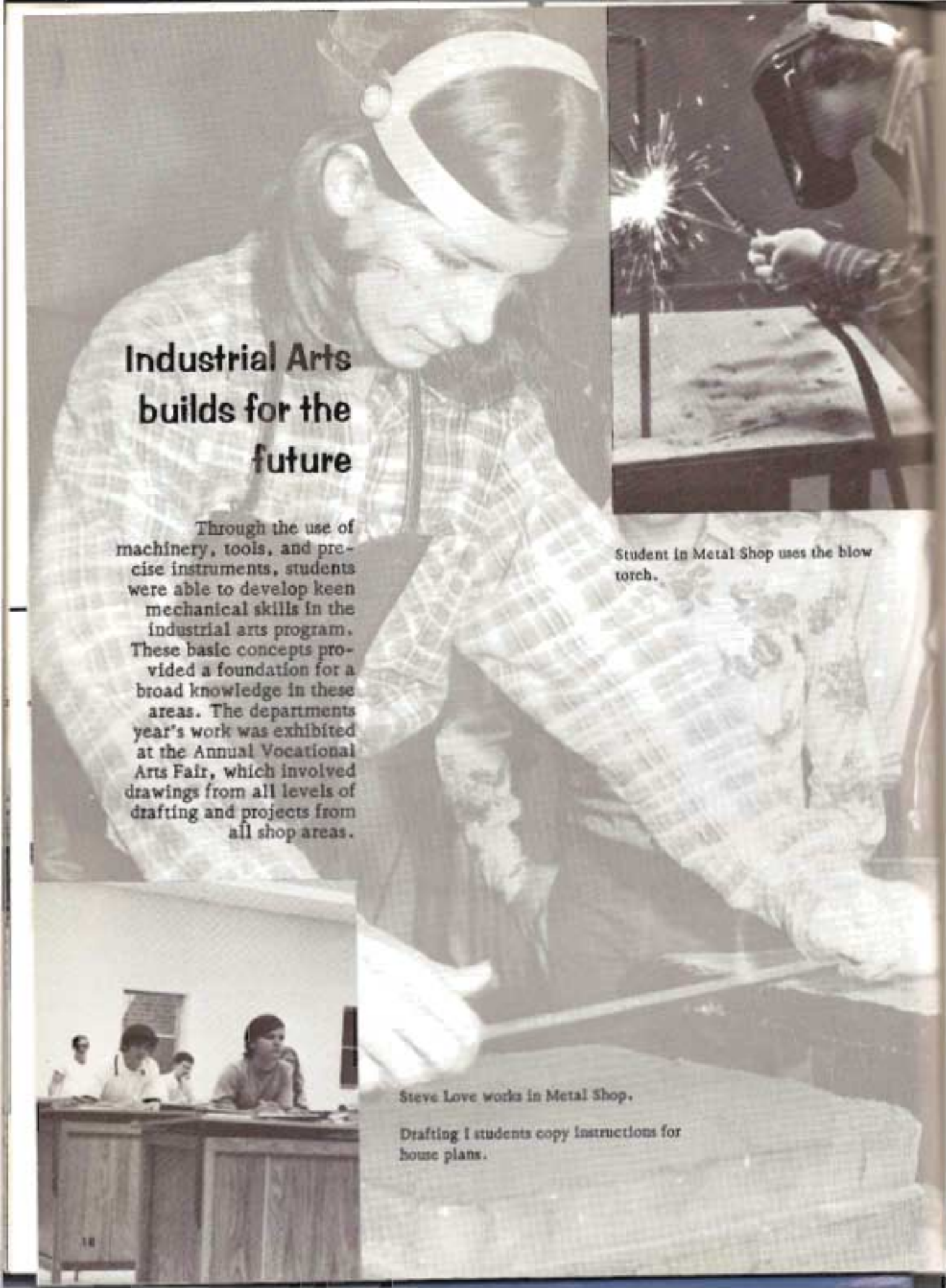
Dewey Parsons and Melody Valentino work to meet a newspaper deadline.

Photographer Jimmy Martin develops pictures for the yearbook.



Journalism students strive for perfection

The journalism courses, which included Journalism I and II, and Yearbook Staff, were designed to teach students the mechanics of putting out a publication. Students in J-1 learned the basics of journalism from advertising to writing. In Yearbook Staff, the year was devoted to teaching the principles involved in creating the GATOR, the school yearbook. The Journalism II class was responsible for publishing the monthly newspaper, the DICKIN-SUN.



Industrial Arts builds for the future

Through the use of machinery, tools, and precise instruments, students were able to develop keen mechanical skills in the industrial arts program. These basic concepts provided a foundation for a broad knowledge in these areas. The departments year's work was exhibited at the Annual Vocational Arts Fair, which involved drawings from all levels of drafting and projects from all shop areas.



Student in Metal Shop uses the blow torch.



Steve Love works in Metal Shop.

Drafting I students copy instructions for house plans.



Diane Robinson plays speedball in P.E. I.

Carolyn Grubbs watches as Danny Gray practices hunting skills in Outdoor Education.



Physical Education plays around

Unusual skills ranging from folk dance to self-defense were taught in physical education. Important and often overlooked activities such as daily exercise were also stressed. A new course, Outdoor Education, was added to the curriculum. Students studied hunting and fishing skills, as well as first aid and water safety. The Athletic Department served the sport-minded student through individual classes in basketball, cross country, volleyball, and football.

Cultural appreciation stressed in Social Studies classes

Understanding the past and relating it to the future was the goal of the Social Studies teacher. Panel discussions, plays, mock trials, and games were created by individual classes in an attempt to make history and government come alive. Approximately two weeks was spent on drug abuse in an attempt to make an honest presentation on the subject to the students.

Donald Luedecke prepares a map in Social Science class.



Cadets John Paul DeMeritt and Katrina Jones raise the flag as Dan Bath commands.

ROTC flies high

The AFJROTC program used a variety of instructional techniques including movies, guest lectures, field trips, and navigation computers. Cadets got first-hand experience in flying by going up in an airplane at Ellington AFB. They also practiced marching skills by participating in the Galveston Christmas Parade. This year ROTC was made a four-year program open to all students.



Cadet Christine Anderson stands at attention.



Janet Hudson models stylized make-up in Drama II.

Performing Arts communicate creativity

In Performing Arts classes, students extended their talents through participation. Public speaking, duet acting, and debate were some of the areas of competition speech students and National Forensics League members entered. In Drama classes, students studied ancient through Elizabethan acting styles, make-up, and performed the Reader's Theater play, "All the Lonely People."

Anthony Chapple displays the correct techniques of public speaking.

Drama I and II students practice modern dance skills.





Campus Happenings

From the time the leaves begin to fall in September on the Dickinson oaks until the time they bud and flourish in May, the activities at DHS change with the seasons. There is something for everyone . . . from dances, to sports, to Awards Night. Through this interaction with other students and our teachers, we grow spiritually, physically, and emotionally.



Football season opens with Kick-off Dance

The annual Kick-off dance was held on September 20, following our 21-14 victory over Clear Lake. Student Council furnished the refreshments and decorations for the dance, along with door prizes. Everybody danced to a variety of taped music.

David Bell jives to the current soul sounds.



Larry Bimage gives somebody the old one-two.



Joeba Ross and Ronnie Bimage "Bump" to the music.

"Spoon River Anthology" is a big success

"Spoon River Anthology," directed by Roger Stallings, was presented October 10 and 12. The play, written by Edgar Lee Masters, was a collection of more than sixty brief soliloquies presented by fifteen cast members. Each story revealed the tricks of life played on the individual characters.

Richard Hamner and Cindy Rook, portraying Mr. and Mrs. Purcapile, tell of their unhappy marriage.



Melody Stanford portrays Mrs. Williams in "Spoon River Anthology."



Janet Hudson, Kit Park, Dolly Cain, and Richard Hamner double as singers and characters.

Homecoming Dance has successful turnout

The "Dixeland" theme gave a new outlook on fun at the Homecoming Dance. The band "Southern", fit right into the theme, and the wall decorations made the atmosphere realistic. Refreshments were made by Student Council and the dance was enjoyed by everyone who came.

Michael Bimage and Cheryl Nichols "jam" to the sounds of "Southern."



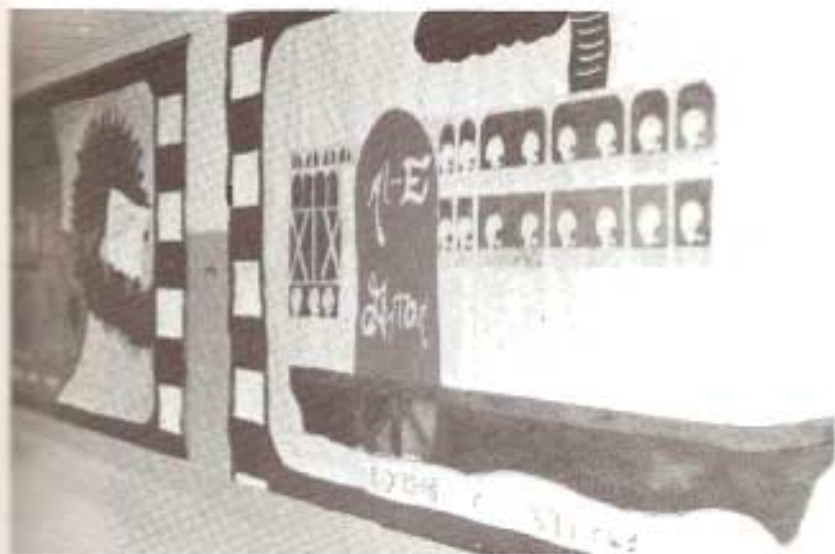
"And they expect us to dance in this crowd?!"



"Is it past your bedtime?" Kenny Stephens

Classes compete with Homecoming murals

The Spirit of Homecoming sounded through the halls while the theme of "Dixie Land" was depicted in murals made by each class. It was announced at the Homecoming Pep Rally that the Seniors won first place, followed by the Juniors for second.



In film-strip style, Seniors portray the Civil War as a football game.

Sharon Steadham helps put up a scene for the Juniors' "Bourbon Street" theme.

JoAnna Genshimer and Anthony Chapple "clown around" with the Freshman decorations.

Carol Tidwell and Pam Fredericksen add finishing touches to the Sophomore wall.



Marijane Altemore is chosen Homecoming Queen

Marijane Altemore was chosen by the student body as the 1974-75 Homecoming Queen. She was active throughout her four years at D.H.S., participating in the Student Council, Spanish Club, and Anchor Club. Marijane was a cheerleader for four years, and played Volleyball for three years.

One of her greater honors was to be crowned Miss Dickinson for 1974-75. Following Marijane as runner-up, was Winnie Mason, who also was very active during her high school years.



Marijane, escorted by Brian Simmons, is crowned by former Queen, Kat Baldwin.



Runner-up, Winnie Mason

Sophomore
Duchess
Patty Carroll

Junior Princess
Teresa Burkett

Freshman
Lady-in-Waiting
Michelle Fannin



Mary Prisco
Winnie Mason
Kay Floyd
Marty Boles

Seniors triumph once more

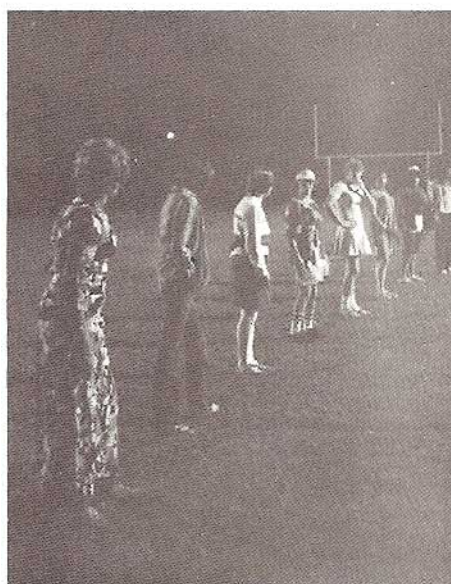
This year Junior and Senior girls practiced for weeks in preparation for battle at the annual Powderpuff game. The Juniors put up a good fight, but the Seniors, with the advantage of previous experience, won the game 8 to 0. Halftime entertainment was provided by the Senior Sweeties and the Juniores.



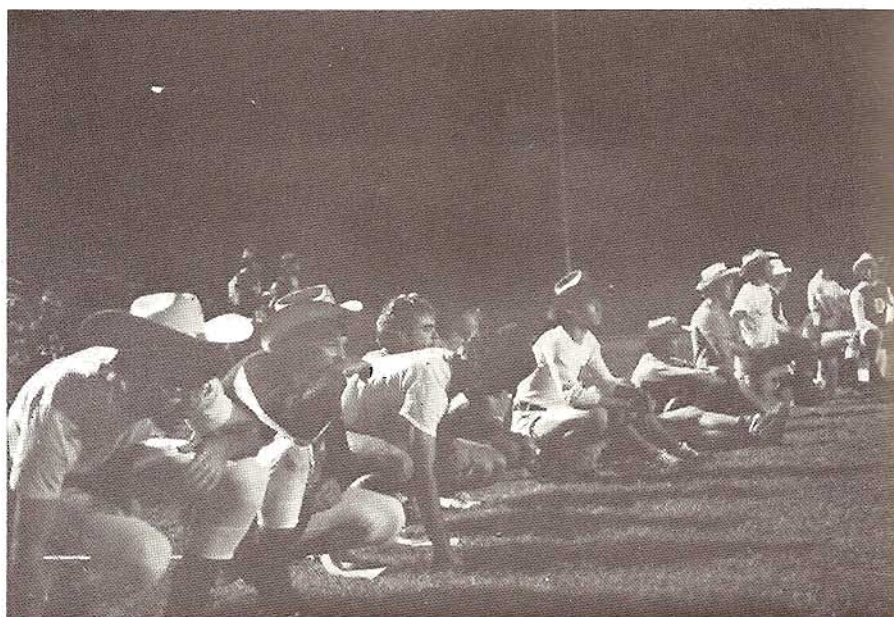
"Playboy" never had it so good!

"Pssst. What comes after
1, 2, 3 shimmy,
shimmy?"

Junior Power! Kim Daves,
Lisa Hester.



"How did we ever get con-
ned into this mess?"





"Rah, Rah, Ree, Kick 'em the knee! Rah, Rah, Ras . . .!" Donald Luedecke, David Whiumtre, Mitchell McNulty, Dennis Picha, and Brian Simmons.

Joan Labay carries the ball for a Senior first down.

"Okay. Let's try our 'Willie Gap Inside Omaha' defensive play. That'll really freak 'em out!"



Junior, Sherry Jenkins, maneuvers the old pigskin for yardage.

Students create Christmas spirit

To celebrate the Christmas season at DHS, VOE sponsored a door decorating contest. Fourth period classes competed, using talent and imagination, to come up with very creative doors. They were judged on neatness, appearance, and originality. The three first place winners were: Most Serious - Mr. Henry (not pictured); Most Original - Mr. Nunley; and Most Humorous - Mrs. Beale.



Mrs. Beale's door wins first place in the Most Humorous category.



Students show their Christmas spirit by decorating the lobby tree.

Mr. Nunley's door takes first place in the Most Original category.





"Harvey" is a hit

"Harvey", a play about a six-foot invisible rabbit, was presented by the Drama Department on January 30 and 31. Mr. J. R. Stallings directed the cast of sixteen students, with the aide of Cindy Rook as assistant director. "Harvey" was compiled of three acts and contained two scene settings. It was very well received and attended by both adults and students.



Top: Don't everybody talk at once! Kenny Laird, Cindy Rook, Richard Hamner, and Laura Green.

Center left: Ron Hamner portrays Elwood P. Dowd.

Center right: How's your love life? Tricia Gallagher and Sandra Bookman.



Yes, Mother! I've got it - bread, cheese, and sardines. Laura Green plays the nurse and Richard Hamner the doctor.

Students sneak by faculty

This year the students barely scraped by in winning the Student-Faculty Basketball Game. The faculty tried but they lost to the Seniors by 2 points. The final score was 38-36.

Coach Reid takes a flying leap.

Coach Steele jumps for the ball.



Is that an Aggie joke ref? C. Harclerode and Coach Steele.



Where did the ball go? Coach Lackey, Willie Campbell, and Anthony Griffith.

National Honor Society holds annual banquet

This year the National Honor Society Banquet was held on Thursday, March 13. After the dinner, the annual installation ceremony was presented by the members during which each student received a pin. Dr. Donald C. Streeter, Chairman of the Speech Department at the University of Houston, concluded the banquet as the guest speaker.

Patty Mechelay accepts her Honor Society pin from Mr. Barker.



"We need more than five minutes to digest this food!"

Laura Green lights one of the candles during the initiation ceremony.



Seniors have the time of their life

Following the new tradition that began last year, the Seniors of '75 presented their Senior Play, "The Time of Your Life," by William Saroyan on March 20 and 21. Mr. Proctor directed the cast of 28 with Debbie Gabbert aiding him as Student Director. Four of the five acts of the play took place in Nick's Pacific Street Saloon, Restaurant, and Entertainment Palace, while Act III was a scene in Kitty Duval's hotel room.



James Curry sings "In the Time of Your Life, Live."



Krupp and McCarthy discuss life as the Arab listens.
David Citek, Ricky Hannigan, and Tim Moor.

Nick serves Kitty and Joe a sociable drink. Mark
Mackey, Cathy Millican, and Greg Garland.

Harry, the comedian, tries his luck at the soft shoe.
Jimmy Martin.

Society people visit Nick's for excitement. Marjane
Altmore and Alan Walker.

Nick warns Block to stay away. Mark Mackey and
Mitchell McAnulty.





Dudley and Elsie try to make another go of their love, Chris Schultz and Kay Floyd.

Willie finally beats the pin ball machine. Bryan Simmons.

The Drunk gives Kit Carson a funny look as he boxes the air. Russell Krupala and Kent Colburn.

"I love you Kitty." Charles Gabriel and Cathy Millican.

Wesley picks out a tune on the piano. Eric Ross.



Randy Bivone, the newboy, auditions as a singer.

Mary gives Joe a look of concern. Debbie Dedde.



Vocational Banquet given for students and employers

The annual Vocational Department Banquet was held on April 4, at the Golf Crest Country Club in Pearland. The Vocational students presented most of the program, except for the guest speaker, Spencer Guimarín from the Texas Health Careers Associated, who played the guitar and spoke on "Motivation." Mr. Barker presented "Outstanding Students of the Year Award" to two students from each of the four departments.



Joan Labay receives award from H.O.C.T. sponsor, Mrs. Hayes.

Steve Ross and his mother enjoy the delicious food.

Spencer Guimarín plays the guitar as a part of his speech.





Kids enjoy jumping on moon walk at the Gator Fair.

A really "boss" chick! Anna Aguilar.

Hey Man, wanna rumble? David Whitmire and Chris Schultz.



Gator Fair, Sock Hop Day sponsored by Student Council

On May 17 and 19 the Student Council sponsored Sock Hop Day and Gator Fair respectively. On Thursday, students dressed up in a variety of 50's style clothes. The following Saturday the annual Gator Fair was held. Different clubs sponsored games, and there was something for everyone to enjoy.

One-act play takes second at UIL

The Drama Department took their one-act play, "The Doctor In Spite of Himself," to LaMargue High School for UIL competition on April 5. Tricia Gallaher was the Assistant Director under Mr. Stallings, Director. Richard Hamner made All-Star cast, while Dan Bath received honorable mention. The play itself won 2nd place and the cast performed it for our school on April 22.

Below: Beats paying \$8.50 at Carlos'. Richard Hamner and Mr. Stallings.

Lower right: "Boy, do I feel good all under!" Duane Norris.

"Hey I WANT him to beat me!" John Stube and Cindy Rook



"Well bless my body!" Laura Green.



"Hey you really wanna shake up your mouth?" Amy Stanford and Richard Hamner.

Boy wait till I tell Mom what you did. John Smith and Ron Hamner.



I've got the BIGGEST cramp in my toe! Ron and Richard Hamner.

See the chick third row, second seat? Dan Bath and Richard Hamner.



ROTC Sweetheart and Court: Debbie Adams, Cathy Gillis, Barbara Morphew, Lawanda Black, and Linda Wehring

Below: Dan Bath, Outstanding Cadet, honors ROTC Sweetheart, Barbara Morphew with roses.

Erskin Hill and Dovie Hill exhibit the finer points of the bump.



Far right: Darryl Barrett and Linda Wehring dance to the music of the "Six Pack."



ROTC sponsors second annual Military Ball

ROTC climaxed their year of activities with the second annual Military Ball. The band, "Six Pack," played for 110 cadets and their dates. ROTC awards were presented, with Outstanding Cadet going to Dan Bath and Laura Childs. Academic Achievement, Superior Performance, and Leadership ribbons were given, and Barbara Morphew was chosen as ROTC Sweetheart.



Band ends year of hard work with banquet

The Band Banquet was held on Friday, May 2, in the High School cafeteria. Band members, their dates, and family attended the banquet. Bar-B-Que was served and awards were presented by Mr. Don Owens. Mr. Tompkins was the M.C. of the banquet. The following awards were presented: John Phillip Sousa - Janis Ryman; Lyle Tompkins - Outstanding Musician; Phi Beta Mu - Jane Bryant; Outstanding Marcher - Ricky Hannigan.



Carla Emmitte shows trophy she won for selling the most band candy.

Janis Ryman, Lyle Tompkins, Jane Bryant, and Ricky Bannigan show their awards.



Mr. Tompkins hands Mrs. Pittman, president of the band booster club, a present for her work.

Mr. DHS
Harvey Criswell





Miss DHS

Winnie Mason



May brings end of year activities

The last weeks of the 1974-75 school year brought many varied activities. Some of these activities ended out this year, like tests and last minute fund-raising drives, but others were in preparation for the upcoming school year.

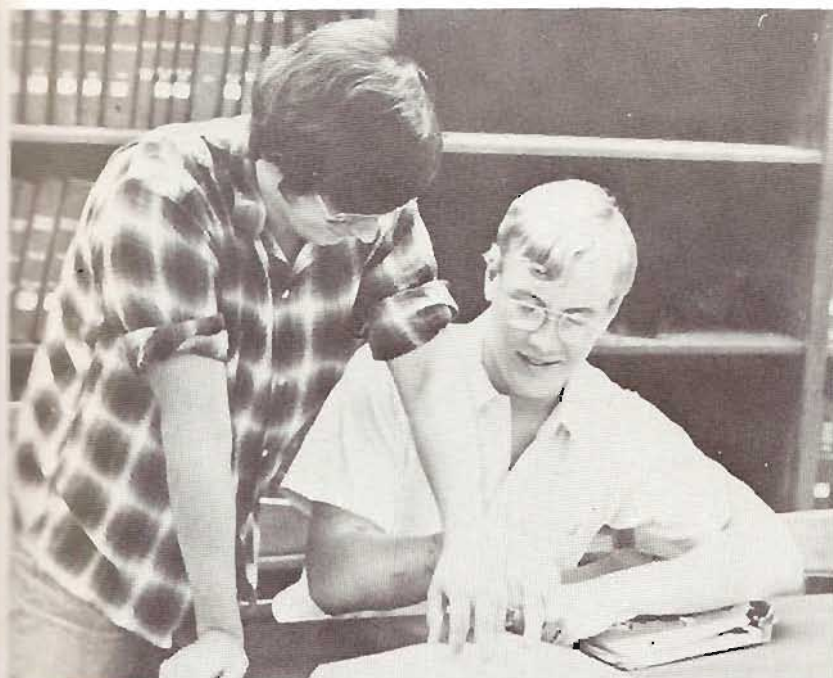
John Smith campaigns for Jo Ann Chandler in the May Student Council and Class officers elections.

Michael Taylor crams for a final.



Gayle Caskey and
Katrina Jones make
the morning
announcements.





Clark Jarret and Jeff Tidwell discuss a reference source for a research paper.



Editor Cindy Rook sells a copy of the Senior edition of the Dickin-Sun to Richard Boggs.



During the first blood drive sponsored by HOCT Laura Mapes manages a smile after giving blood.

Seniors spend an exciting evening at the Warwick

Senior Prom was traditionally held again at the Warwick Hotel in Houston. Everyone danced to the sounds of "Doppleganger." A gourmet dinner was enjoyed by all and the entire night was a climax to the Seniors' final year.



Susan Graves and Bruce McDonald await their food.

Mark Mackey and Mary Prisco admire each other.

Senior Prom was enjoyed by everyone.

Debbie Dedde and Terry Hester catch their breath in between dances.





A group of Seniors and dates line up in front of the Warwick.

Greg Hopf and Connie Irvin smile for the camera.

Sedonia Simmons, Jimmy Martin, Debbie Gabbert, and Randy Blvone eagerly wait for prom activities to begin.



"This sure beats soul food!" James Eaglin

Photography by Stan

This food looks delicious! Randy Kimmey and
Cindy Lassiter

Below: "Hey! The camera's over here!"
Willie Campbell, Michael Bimage, Carla
Nelson, Anthony Griffith, and Judy Scott.

Bottom: Everybody likes to get in the pic-
ture.





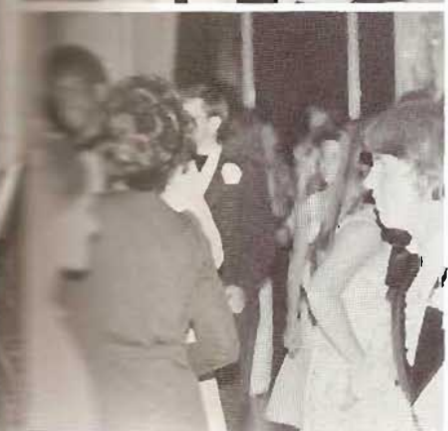
Here's to Prom!

And you passed Proctor's
etiquette test? Chris
Schultz.



Don't we look classy?" Allan Hayes,
Wanda Franklin.

Phyllis Mills dances to the sounds of
"Doppleganger."



UIL awards 10 medals to DHS students

The UIL District Literary Meet was attended by 54 DHS students at Brazosport College April 12, and the UIL One-Act Play was performed April 5 in LaMarque. Ten students received medals in the Literary Meet. The play placed second in District competition, and two actors received recognition for outstanding performances.

Speech Winners: **FIRST ROW:** Steve King, Persuasive Speaking - Third; Ron Hamner, Prose Reading - First; Chris Molloy, Informative Speaking - Third; Christy McCarty and Cathy Creasy, Debate - Second. **SECOND ROW:** Richard Hamner, Prose Reading - Second; Stafford Jones, Poetry Interpretation - Second.

Literary Meet Winners: Gayle Caskey, Typing - Second; Denise Devall, Spelling - Second; Tina Fitch, Spelling - First.



One-Act Play Winners: Dan Bath, Honorable Mention, and Richard Hamner, All-Star Cast.



Awards given at Industrial Arts vocational fair

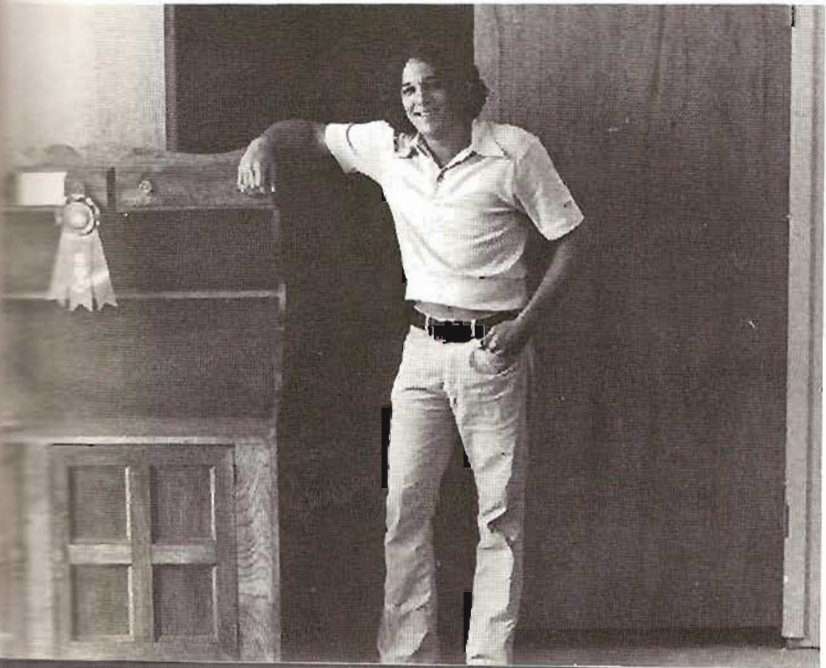
On Thursday, May 15, the Industrial Arts Vocational Fair was held in the High School Gym. Students in Drafting, Woodworking, and Metalworking competed for ribbons and an overall award. First place Awards were: Metalworking - John Benson, General Woodworking - Ronald Anselmo, Machine Woodworking - Ruben Bahena, Architectural Drafting - Kent Cox and David Ruiz. Over-all winner was Ronald Anselmo.



Left: Patricia Espenoza exhibits her cedar chest.

Below left: Ronald Anselmo, overall winner, stands beside his award-winning "masterpiece".

"It ain't nothin'" Babe White.





Students honored at Awards Night

Representatives from fifty-nine colleges, universities, clubs, and foundations were on hand at the annual Awards Night May 20 to present 120 scholarships and awards to 92 students. The total value of the scholarships and awards was approximately \$124,000.

The evening was climaxed by the announcement of the honor graduates, and the naming of David Citek and Jane Bryant as the top ranking boy and girl.

Departmental Scholars

ICT -----	Randy Syntazske
VOE -----	Robin Jordan
Metalworking -----	Randy Syntezske
Journalism -----	Cindy Rook
Business -----	Karla Barkamnn
DE -----	Mae K. Davis
Drafting -----	Charles Gabriel
Woodworking -----	Hayne Fussell
Art -----	Kay Floyd
HOCT -----	Gloria Sanchez
Choir -----	James Curry
Homemaking -----	Billie Whitfield



Moody Scholarships

Honors Scholar -----	Jane Bryant
Moody Scholars -----	Janis Hyatt
	Eric Phillips
	Mike Puffer
Career Scholars -----	Carole Bryant
	Rose Ann Castro
	Anita Jenkins
	Karina Jones
	Eileen Pickens
	Michael Pruett
	Janice Ryman
	Gloria Sanchez
	Jacquelin Williams

Scholarships and Awards

Air Force Junior ROTC Awards-----	Sons of American Revolution Award - Dan Bath National Sojourners Award - John DeMeritt Military Order World Wars Award - Joseph Gillis
Alpha Delta Kappa Scholarship-----	Jennifer Linn
Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarship-----	Mae K. Davis
American Legion Awards-----	First - Mitchell McAnulty and Patricia Mechelay Second - Greg Garland and Robin Jordan
Anchor Club Scholarships-----	Patricia Humbles, Patty Mechelay, Becky Piske
Athletic Scholarships-----	Texas Southern University - Willie Campbell Lamar University - Harvey Criswell Texas A & M University - Gary Young Alvin Junior College - Winnie Mason
Band Scholarships and Awards-----	John Philip Sousa Award - Janice Ryman University of Houston Scholarship - Janice Ryman
Baylor University Pre-Med Scholarship-----	Jane Bryant
Betty Crocker Award-----	Martha Easter
Boys' and Girls' State-----	Steve King and Kathy Reumont Alternate - Mark Gensheimer and Mary Jo Piske
Celia Zbanek Memorial Scholarship-----	Heather Linn
Class of 1975 Scholarship-----	Randall Bivone
D.A.R. Good Citizen Award-----	Patty Mechelay
D.E.S.A. Scholarship-----	Robin Jordan
D.I.S.D. Food Service Scholarship-----	Jerry Radicioni and Russell Krupala
Dickinson H. S. Scholarship Fund-----	Mitchell McAnulty
F.H.A. Scholarship-----	Billie Whitfield
Galveston County Memorial Hospital Auxillary Scholarship-----	Loretta Scott
Girls Athletic Association Scholarships-----	Winnie Mason and Terry Johnson
Lon Morris Academic and Drama Scholarships-----	Tricia Gallaher and Laura Green
Mainland Memorial Cemetery Scholarship-----	Valerie Black
National Merit Scholarship - Amoco Foundation-----	Bruce Walker
Optimist Club Scholarship-----	Kent Colburn
Paramedical Club Scholarship-----	David Citek
Presbyterian Church - Raymond Gillis Scholarship-----	Wanda Praylor
Rice University-----	Patrick Fogarty
Rotary Club Scholarships-----	James Curry and Christine Ovesny
Stephen F. Austin University Scholarships-----	Rose Ann Castro, Elizabeth Presley, and Jeanette Timmons
Texas A&M "Opportunity Award" Scholarship-----	Janis Hyatt
Texas Chemical Council Award-----	David Citek
T.S.T.A. Scholarship-----	Valerie Black
Union Carbide "Washington Seminar" Award-----	Melissa Barnes
University of Texas Chemical Engineering Scholarship-----	Mile Puffer
University of Texas Exes Scholarship-----	Chris Schultz
WWF "Voice of Democracy" Scholarships-----	John DeMeritt, Janet Hudson, John Stube, and Mara Winick
Wes Frizzell Memorial Scholarship-----	Kay Floyd
T.E.A. "Honors Scholarship"-----	David Citek
Texas Council of Church Related Colleges Scholarships-----	David Citek and Jane Bryant
Track Scholarships-----	Southwest Texas - Tadarell Woods Wiley College - James Barnett Wiley College - James Eaglin San Jacinto Jr. College - Mark Mackey

Graduation finally arrives

May 26 in Sam Vitanza Stadium 440 anxious seniors were graduated by Dickinson High School. Walking across the stage and receiving that diploma was the culmination of 12 years of blood, sweat and tears. The graduating girls received a small bouquet of daisies tied with blue and white ribbons.



Seniors wait in the stands until everyone arrives.

Mr. Proctor distributes name cards before the ceremony.



Finally the Class of '76 moves onto the track of the procession.

The class moves around the track led by Senior sponsors.



School Board members, principals and special guests sit on stage.



The Gator Band, directed by Mr. Don Owens, plays the music for the graduation exercises.

Valarie Black delivers the invocation.



The welcome address is delivered by Patty Mechelay, president of the Senior Class.

The highest ranked boy in the class, David Citek, gives the address.

Seniors show appreciation for David's speech.



Barry Moore receives his diploma from Mr. Barker.



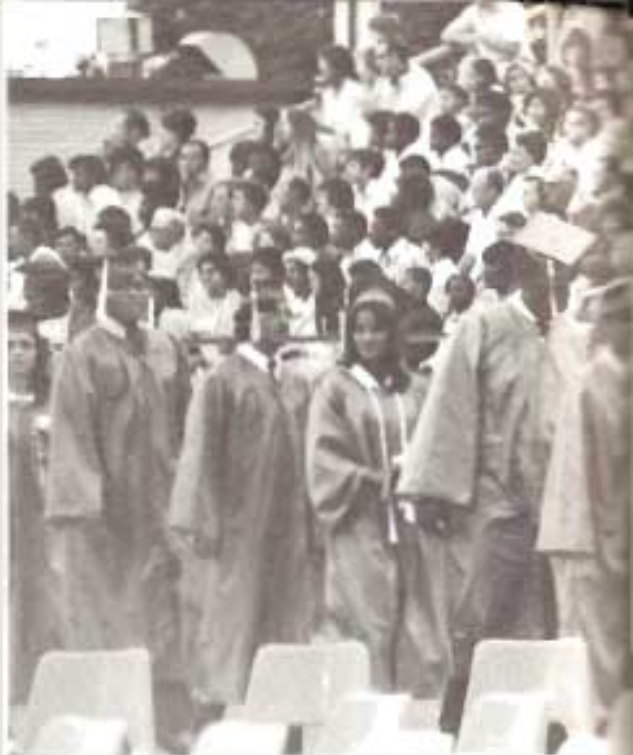
John Stubee makes the traditional tassel change from the right side to the left side of his cap.



Scott Adkins seems pleased with Mr. Nelson's and Mr. Barker's gift.

"Now which one is my seat?"

Seniors are on parade!



Laura Green accepts her diploma
from the principal.





Jane Bryant, top ranked girl, is honored.



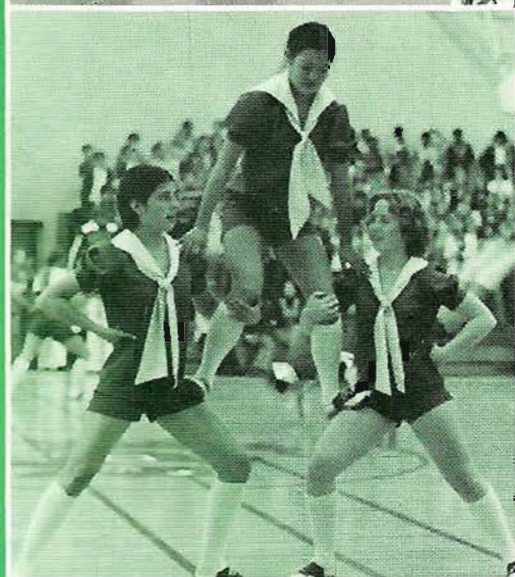
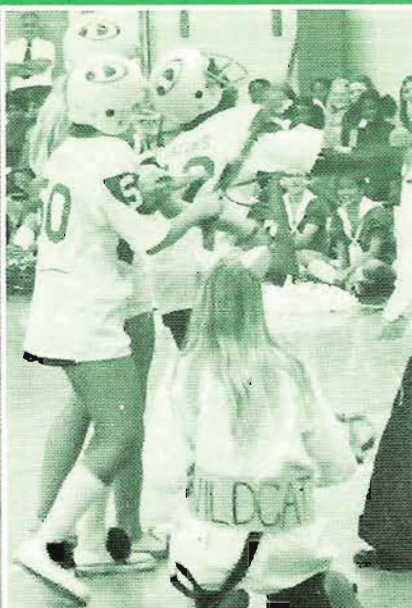
Jim Curry sings the Class Song, "The Time of Your Life," which he wrote for the Senior Play.



"And you just thought I wasn't going to graduate." Greg Garland.



"Man, I made it." Willie Campbell.



Organizations

Competition, involvement and unity bonded the various organizations together this year. The band backed the cheerleaders, twirlers, and Pep Squad at rallies; all clubs worked together to make Gator Fair a success; and academic organizations competed together for honors at UIL contests. But, we stood among many as an individual, cultivating our own personal interests. Each organization was a branch that served as the unifying force of our school.



Staff: TOP TO BOTTOM: Roger Geer, Rick Bary, Sedonia Simmons, Rebecca Thompson, Lori Gregory, Priscilla Perkins, Jo Ann Chandler, Mary Ludlow, Lisa Hester, Phyllis Mills, June Chandler, Laura Hodges.



The Gator Staff relaxes after deadline.



June Chandler madly types for an upcoming deadline.

Mary Ludlow examines yearbook pictures.

