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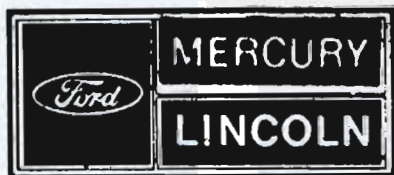
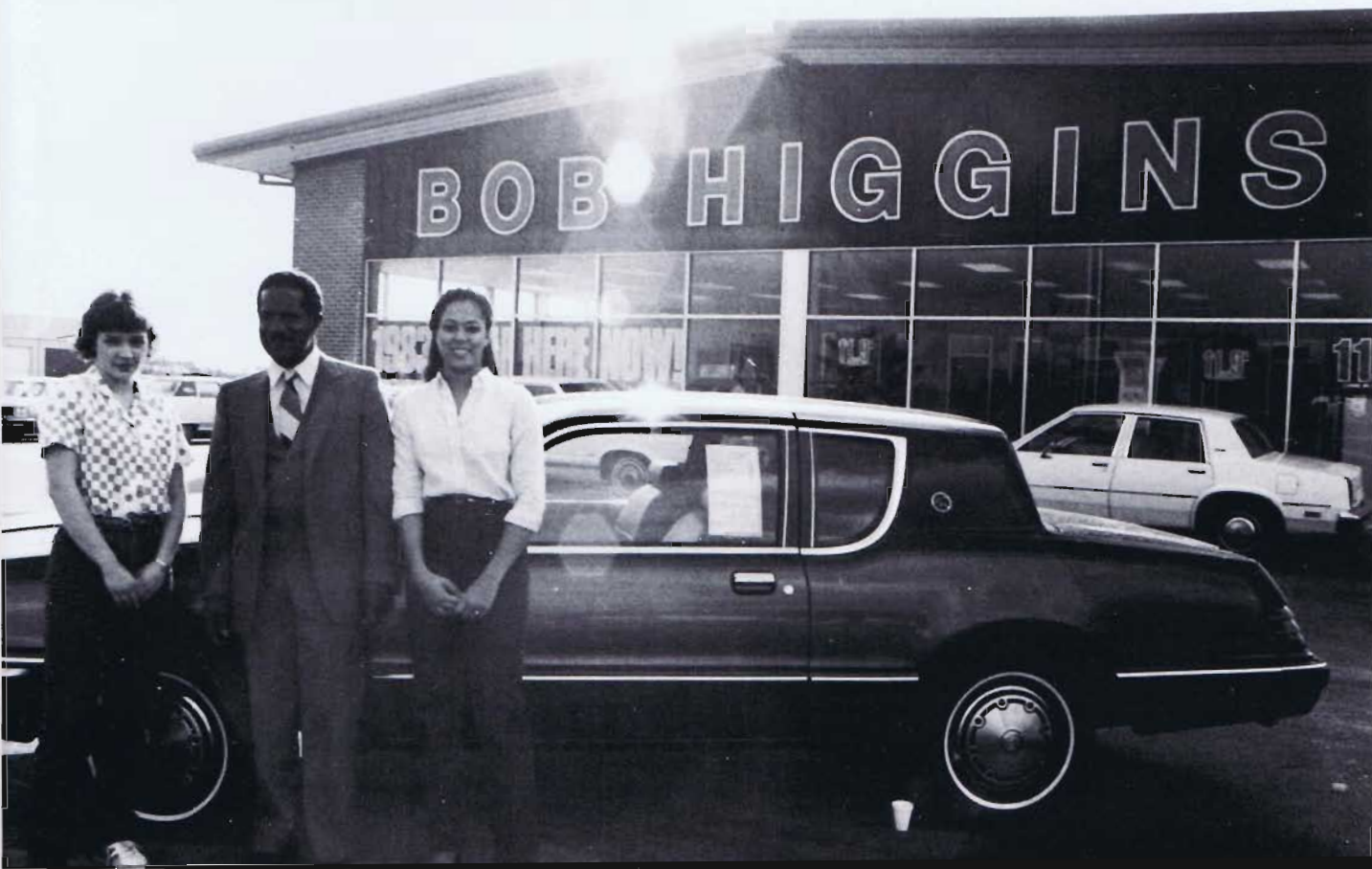
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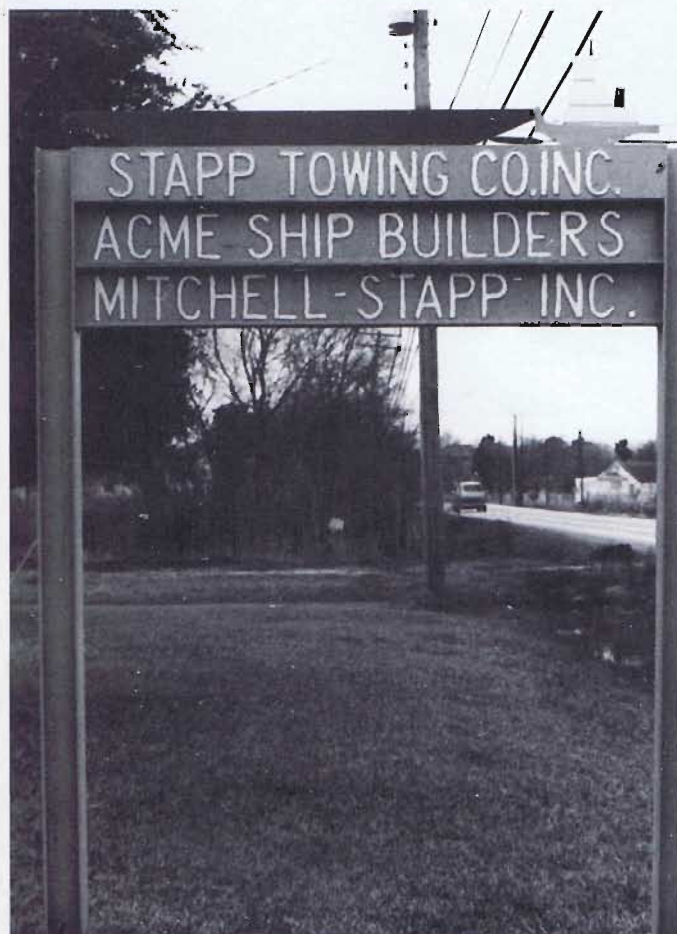
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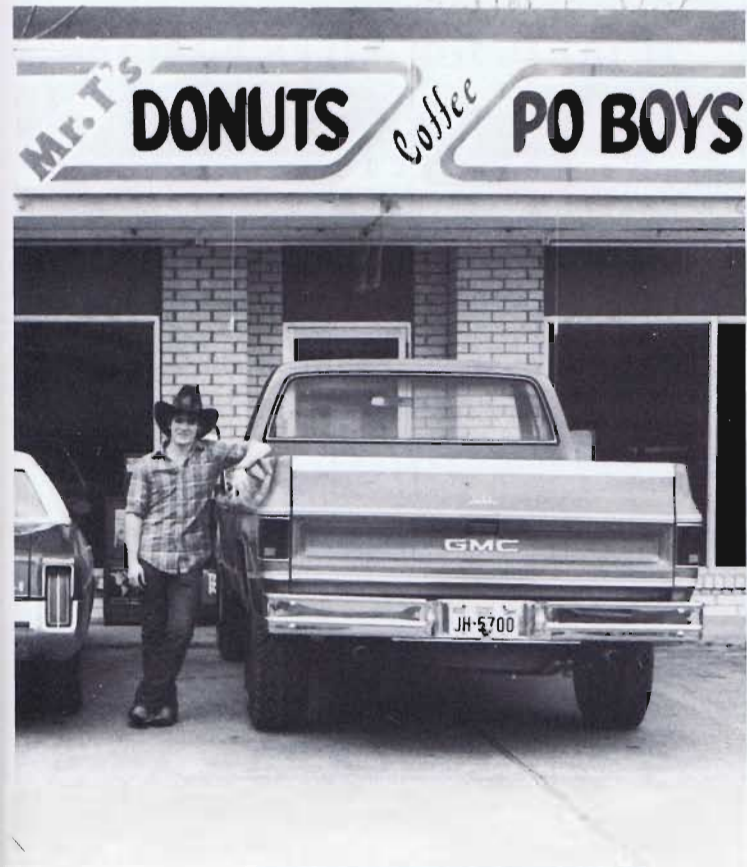
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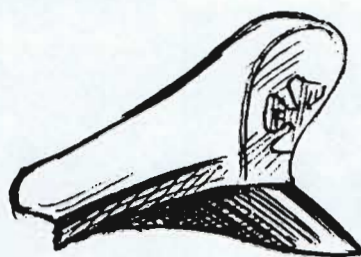


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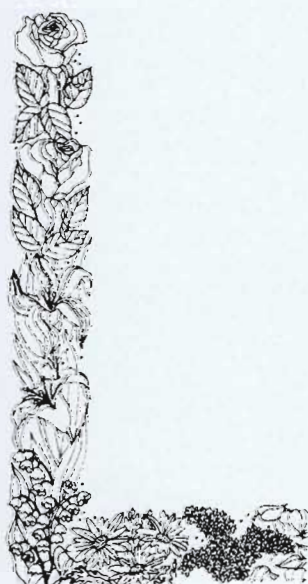
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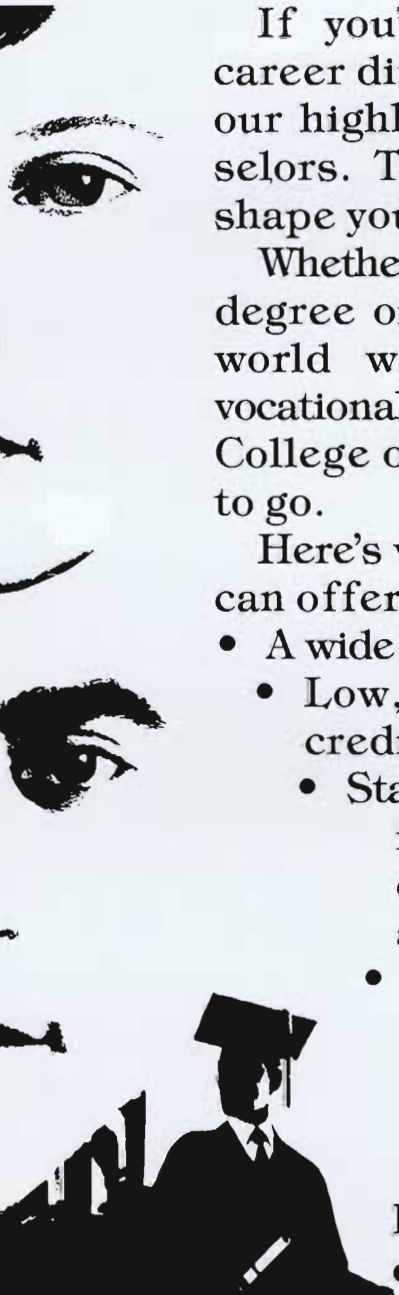
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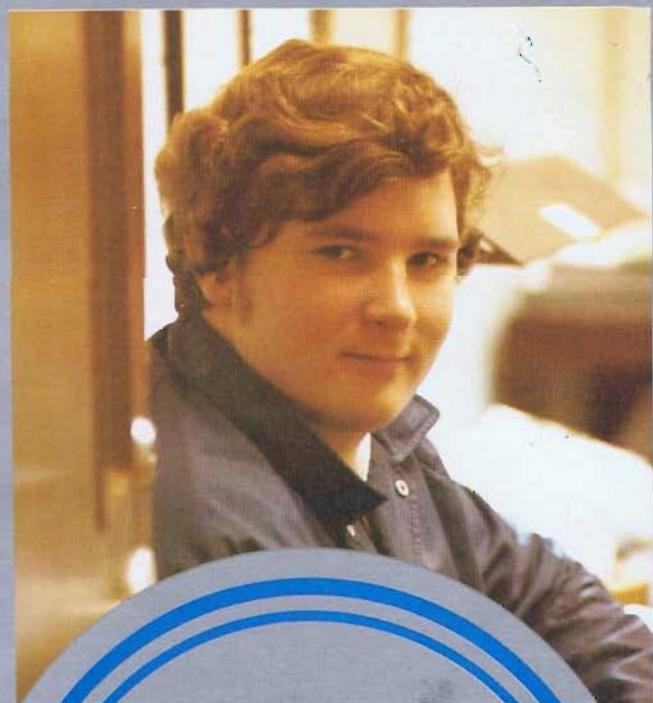




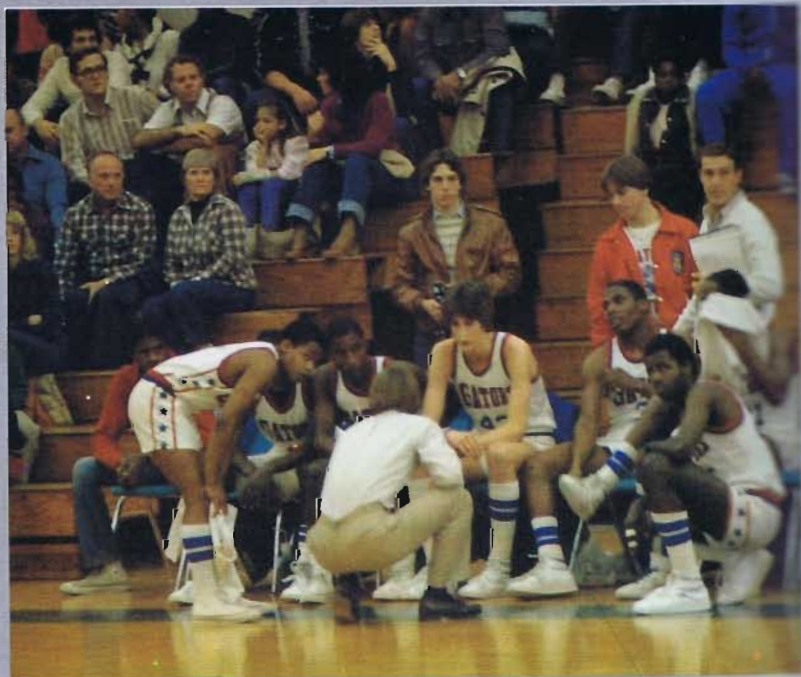
"I'll never forget the Bridge, the Shellhop, or the Station and all of the fun we have had and will have."

"Yeah, Dickinson really provides us with some special hang-outs, even when we're at school."

Another year, more memories, and the future is to come. Out with the old and in with the new. The past year is gone, but the new year is upon us. We will always have our memories of the good times we've had and the places where they happened. But we still have many memories ahead of us and new hang-outs are forever showing up. Dickinson is a special place that will live with us forever.



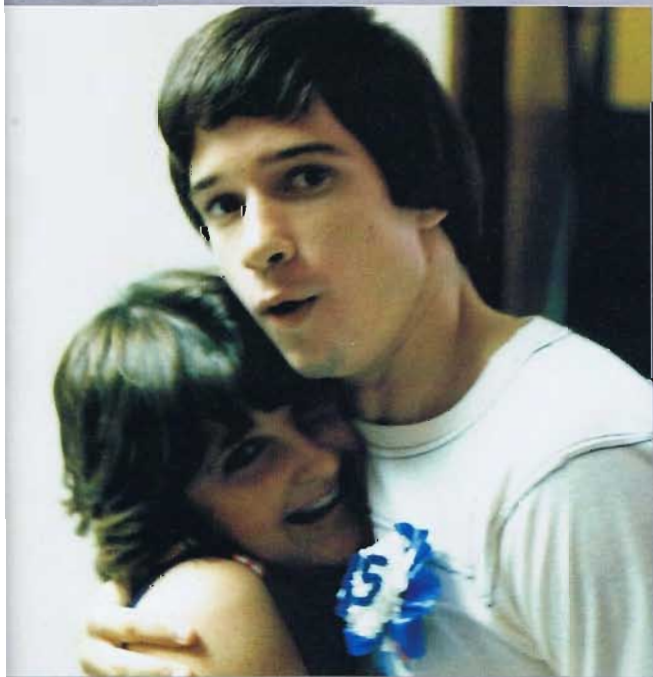
## Special Places



**Left:** One of senior **Nevin Cumpston's** portraits for Man of the Year contest.

**Top:** Freshmen **Matt Steele** and **Raymond Williams** smile proudly as they beat their opponent in Connect Four.

**Above:** Senior **Ray Peoples**, junior **Rochon Hall**, and senior **Reithei Anderson** don't seem to be listening to **Coach Murphy**; they only have eyes for the cheerleaders. Senior **John Spillane** and junior **Cletis Lee** are listening intently.



**Above:** Seniors **Xan Johncock** and **Alan McKee** act surprised when they are caught smooching in the hall. Once again Alan has too much to handle.

**Top:** Juniors **James Wyatt**, **Vernon Henson**, and **L.D. Morrison** act as though they have been up to something.

**Above:** Freshman **Ed Garner** daydreams of far away times, while freshman **Scott Wily** looks forward to the weekend.

*"Some of the things we do! Remember the night we stayed out 'til 4 a.m. and the time we got lost in Houston? We've had some great times."*

*"You bet we have. I remember the day you got all those flowers in school, I couldn't believe it. And just think with each new year there are more good times and memories ahead."*

This year has been full of the fond memories for all of us: A 24-5A Regional football title, a great band year, Homecoming, Prom, Graduation, and especially those everyday trivial events. The most important aspect of this year, past years, and years to come are the memories of what we did and how we did them.



**Above:** Juniors **Rita Praylor**, **Sherry Nelson**, senior **Tracy Mozie** and sophomore **Curtis Rattler** are extremely pleased with the sight before their eyes.



**Right:** Seniors **David Pina** and **Randy Murrell** just returned from a visit with their optometrist and both received the latest fashion designer glasses.

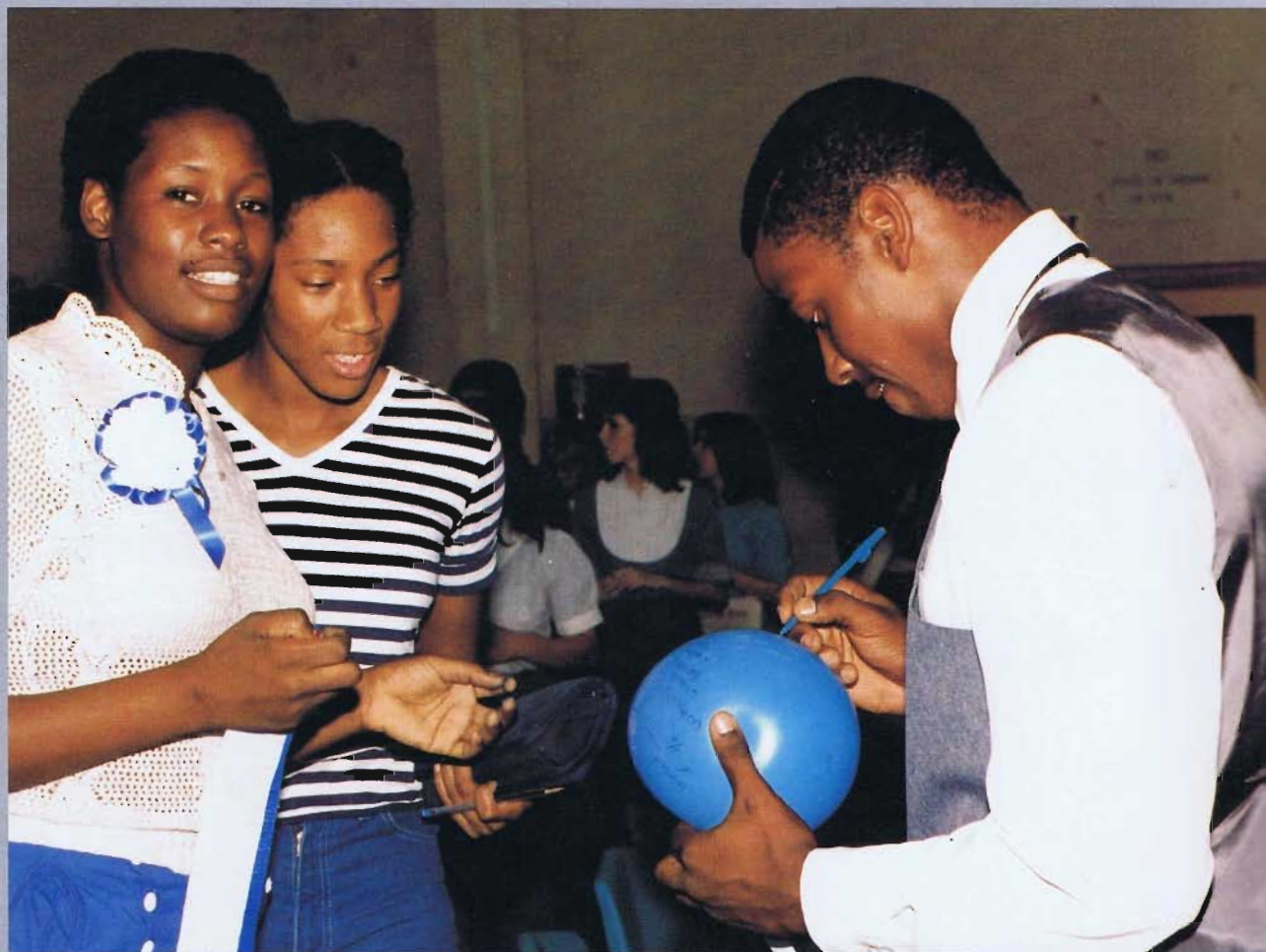
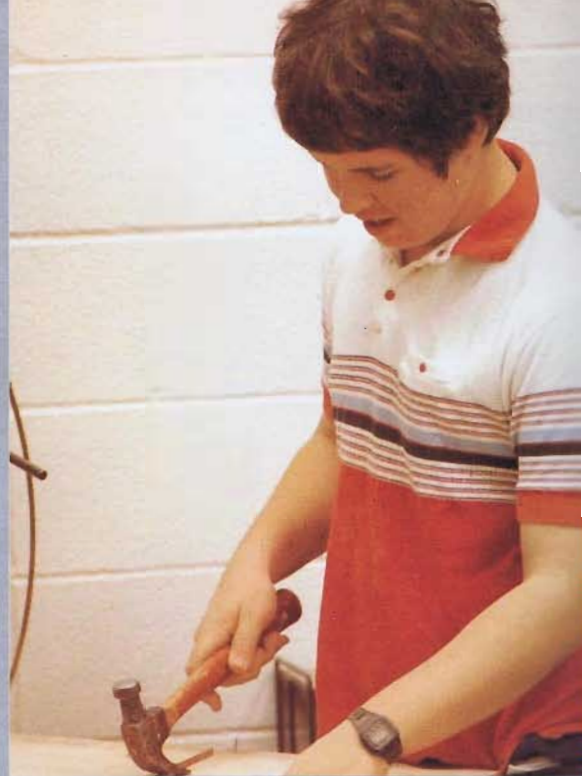
## *Special Moments*



**Above:** Junior **Kristen Sandberg** and Sophomore **Wendi Smith** have a good laugh at a private joke.

**Top:** Mr. O'Neal at a quiet moment . . .

**Above:** Freshmen **Ronald Gaines, Roy Kassabaum, Austin Watkins, Honey Hulsey,** junior **Pam Kelly** and sophomore **Chris Pitts** enjoy bringing in the new year.



**Top left:** Gator Guard members senior **Bob Sorrell**, junior **Larry Falke**, sophomore **Rick Sorrell**, junior **Kim Jungerman**, **Duane Devall**, **Robert Schmidt**, senior **Van Curry**, and the Gator mascot senior **Barbara Farley** prepare Big Al for the football game at Bay City.

**Top right:** Junior **Curtis Whittington** hopes that the lunch bell will ring soon.

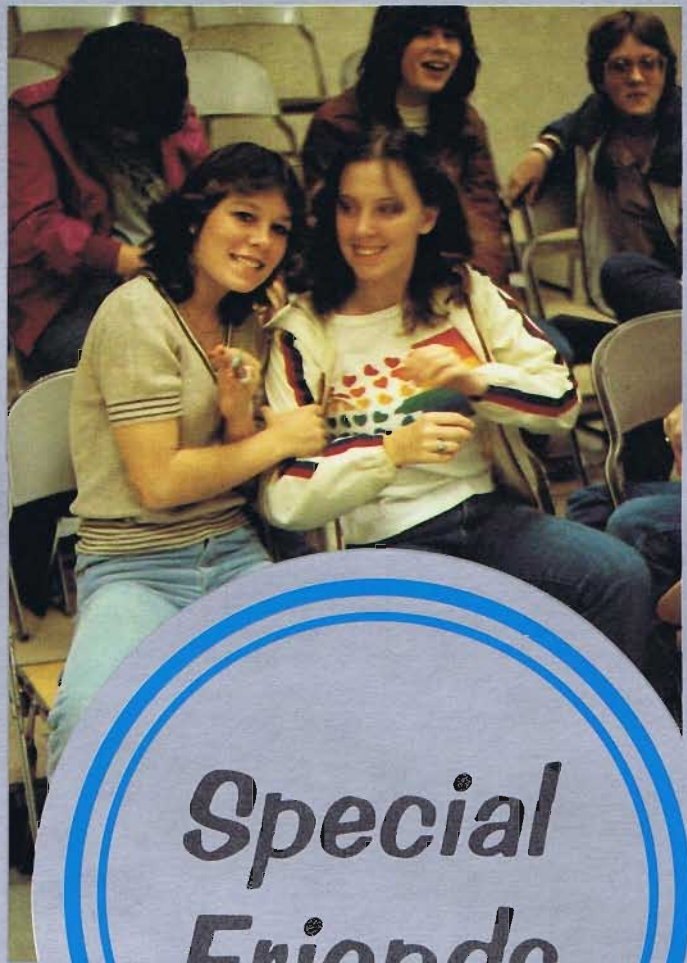
**Above:** Junior **Cletis Lee** autographs a balloon for his devoted followers freshman **Regina Williams** and **Charlene Bell**.



*"You have always been such a good friend. Through thick and thin we are inseparable. My school buddy . . . I'd do anything for you."*

*"I know what you mean. I may never have another friend like you. You know when to just listen and when to help. I'll always remember you . . . my bestest friend in the whole world."*

DHS students have always done things our own special way, and our friendships have always been special ones. We have never been known to follow someone else's example, but instead we have always sought our own way. People might wonder why we're this way, and the only reason is that "It's Just Our Style."



## Special Friends

Sophomore **Kristen Mulkey** is on the draw with her pretty smile. Above: Sophomores **Ranelie Coffman** and **Abriana Crown** set an example of friendship on Homecoming day.

**Above right:** Freshman **Kami Shannon** wants us all to know that junior **Wanda Brownell** is her bestest friend.

# Childhood Friends—Lifetime Memories

## Jay Cioni (1965-1982)

Jay was born in the Houston area on March 27, 1965. He lived in Dickinson all his life with his family and attended school in Dickinson from primary till high school.

Jay died at the age of 17 on July 18, 1982 due to an accidental fall from the roof of the high school. He was a very special person to many people, and his death came as a sudden shock to everyone.

Jay will be remembered as a special friend who was always ready with a joke. As one of his close friends remarked, "Jay was just a fun person to be with 'cause he could make anyone laugh." Jay's death made everyone aware of the fact that our friends are very special to us and that we must never take them for granted.

**Right:** Jay with fellow cheerleaders Brett Bond and Carl Borne before the 1982 Powderpuff game.



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To everyone who bought a yearbook — and to anyone who we may have forgotten.

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The 1982-83 Gator Yearbook Staff dedicates this yearbook to Mrs. Leola McBride. Mrs. McBride has worked at DHS for nine years. She began as a drafting teacher for one semester. She then worked in the Math Lab for a year and a half. Next she was secretary to Mr. Adrien Drouilhet, assistant principal, for about six months. She became Mr. Brown's secretary in 1976 and is now Dr. Coppenhaver's secretary. Mrs. McBride might be Dr. Coppenhaver's secretary, but she helps **everyone** in some way or another. The staff feels she should be recognized for her overall hard work and the spare moment she always has to help, no matter what the question is, or how large or small the task. The school would probably collapse without her guidance and understanding. Thank-you Mrs. McBride! We sincerely appreciate all you do for each and everyone of us.





# The Last Order Of the Day

... Well we are really at a loss for what to say about this year's yearbook and staff, for the yearbook says it all. We all did our best to give the DHS students the best yearbook possible. There are many new ideas and many new changes which we think improves the book a great deal. We hope you are happy with what we think is the best Gator book yet . . .

**Below:** The yearbook staff takes time-out from their hectic schedule for a quick picture. Who would know from the look of this picture that a deadline is fast approaching.



**Above:** Denise and Joan have their picture taken outside to t and look professional and dignified. The chance to look dignifi very seldom appears in the yearbook room.

... So, what do you think? Even though we spent several days after school, many nights at home, and several weekends — which took up so much of our time and concentration working on this yearbook, we wouldn't have had it any other way. We would like to express our thanks for everything to the student body, our excellent staff, our wonderful adviser — Mr. Drive and Mike Parker — our Taylor Publishing representative.

Joan McBride and  
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