




## Focus on WSHS

By Stephanie Carroll

This small, brick building nestled at the corner of 4th and Ferguson may not seem like much. But take a closer look. Walk through these gray-tiled hallways with the 390 students who comprise WSHS. Hear the tapping of typewriter keys emerging from Mr. Blagg's typing room while at the far end of the hall, Ms. Adam's Spanish students "Repeator por favor." Greet Mr. Caldwell as he cruises the campus seeking wayward gum wrappers and soda cans.

Munch on a DECA candy bar while lounging in the seats outside Mr. Dunn's office. Watch the assortment of students strut by ranging from the timid freshmen to the studly seniors. Now you know Willow Springs High School. Or do you? We invite you to take a closer look at our high school through the pages of the 1986 Willamizzou.
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But a closer look at the life of WSHS shouldn't end with just the school. Regardless of how things may sometimes seem, there is life outside of school. Whenever a spare moment arises, students find many different ways to spend it. On any given weekend, students can be seen cruising main street, gathered around the parking lot in front of Sam's, or pulling into the A \& W for a snack.

Usually, fun time must be balanced with serious time. Sooner or later, almost everyone will find himself sitting at home studying for a major test instead of running around with friends. Although the strain may seem almost unbearable, this kind of dedication almost always pays off with a decent grade when test day rolls around.

Almost caught in the act, sophomore Derek Carlson tries to look innocent.


That covergirl look is demonstrated well as sophomore Buffy Whitaker strikes a pose.

Preparing to cruise on his Harley, could that be Mr. Comstock behind those shades?


Quenching his thirst during lunch hour, freshman Leslie Hayes picks "The Choice of a New Generation.

Thankful that lunch hour has finally arrived, freshman Bev Wake flashes a smile.



Robert Brown demonstrates exquisite form as he shows just how high spirits were at the annual bonfire.


Are the islands ready for Denise Bartlett? She evidently thinks so!

## True identities shown

## By Debbi Ivins

Spirit week once again lived up to its reputation as the wildest week of the school year. Traditional dress-up days were held with somewhat of a different theme which may have been the reason for such outstanding participation.

Monday was Hawaiian Day, and students dressed in their favorite beach garb to start the week long celebration. Sunglasses, leis, and Hawaiian prints were the typical dress of the day. Tuesday, students spiked their hair and donned leather and makeup for Punk Rock Day.

The week continued into Wednesday's Nerd Day. The sight of a young Pee Wee Herman look-alike at every corner was nothing uncommon. Greased back hair, taped
up glasses, little bow ties and too short pants are what every nerd can't live without.

Winding up Spirit Week (though the excitement was hardly over) was Maroon and White Day when the students showed their school spirit by wearing the school colors. A few even went as far as painting their faces. This all prepared the students and faculty for the snake dance and bonfire Thursday night and finally the homecoming game Friday night.

Once again Spirit Week served its purpose of getting school spirit up for the homecoming game while letting the students show their real selves for a week.

'Don't you think I should wear these wonderful clothes everyday?" asks

SPIRIT WEEK Jeanie Osborn.

Puckering up for his many admirers, senior Joseph Jones shows just how irresistible he really is.

Obviously, different people will spend their time in different ways. Juggling school activities and a social life can sometimes be quite hectic. But from the look of it, most WSHS students have managed to take it all in stride and still have a good time.


Getting away from the crowded hallways, freshman Carol Boss and junior Rich Thompson enjoy a quiet talk outside.


From the look on her face, one wonders what junior Tammy Hoisington has found in her half-eaten candy bar.


Materials ready and waiting, sophomore Chris Cash prepares to undertake a complicated biology lab.


Homecoming Queen Susan Carroll and her court: Tammy Hoisington, junior; Shelley Miller, freshman; Michele Feagans, senior; flowergirl Megan Kimbrough; crownbearer Robert James.

Freshman candidate Shelley Miller and her escorts, seniors Eddie Darnell and Dean Welton.

Sophomore candidate and Homecoming Queen Susan Carroll, escorted by seniors Andy Roberts and Kenny Martin, also accompanied by flowergirl Megan Kimbrough and crownbearer Robert James.


## Susar chereshes the night

## By Stephanie Carroll

Their heels sank in the wet grass as they gingerly lifted their dragging hemlines over the countless mud puddles. But no amount of rain could dampen the spirits of these four girls. It wasn't the cool weather that caused their shivers. It was the sheer anticipation of the moment. The moment all of WSHS had been waiting for the entire week.
'And the 1985 Homecoming Queen is," Student Council Vice-President Anita Bartlett prolonged the suspense with an agonizing pause, "from the sophomore class, Susan Carroll!" The anxious crowd erupted with applause as Susan was crowned and traditionally kissed by football co-captain Kenny Martin. The new queen and her court were then escorted off the field where they were immediately surrounded by friends, family, and admirers.
"I was truly shocked,' Susan said, "I really didn't expect to win! It's hard to describe exactly what I felt when I was crowned. I guess you could say it was the happiest moment of my life.'

Although attendants Mi-
chele Feagans, Tammy Hoisington and Shelley Miller were undoubtedly disappointed, all smiled and beautifully encircled the newly elected queen with their congratulations.

After the fanfare of the pregame ceremony, the mighty football Bears kept the evening's spirit high with their 13-0 trouncing of the West Plains Zizzers.

Homecoming festivities continued later with the annual dance presented by Blackjack Sound and Light Show in the Frank Hicks Multipurpose Building.

The lights were dimmed the streamers removed, the music died. But this night was not to be permanently forgotten, Homecoming 1985 would continue in the fond memories of many even after the glitter had faded.


Overcome with emotion, sophomore Susan Carroll reminisces about the magical moment she was crowned Homecoming Queen.

Junior candidate Tammy Hoisington and her escorts, seniors Jim Daum and Tony Johnson.

Senior candidate Michele Feagans and her escorts, seniors Chad Emmerson and Kenny Cox.



## By Stephanie Carroll

Excited shouts were replaced with hushed whispers as muted strains of "Traces" floated through the air. Perched on the edges of their seats, spectators gazed in awe at the swirl of tafetta, roses, lace, and chiffon underneath the bright lights of Munford Gymnasium. "This Could Be The Night," announced a glittering banner displayed above
the four smiling candidates. For senior Missy Dick, it was the night. One night she will never forget.
"I was so surprised when I was named Hoop Queen," Missy remembers. "I felt so special sitting up there with everybody cheering for me." Missy was crowned and bestowed the traditional kiss by senior basketball captain Andy Roberts, then formally escorted to her reigning seat among pink and white streamers and heart-shaped balloons.

Surrounded by attendants freshman Velma Cox, sophomore Stacy Ishmael, and junior Tami Riechers, retiring Queen Ellen Carlstrom reluctantly surrendered her posi-
tion to the newly elected Hoop Queen. The reigning senior, clad in pink tafetta with a glittering crown gracing her head, gleamed as friends, family, and well-wishers converged around her and her court to share congratulations.

The powerful basketball Bruins contributed to the festive atmosphere at they rolled over the Cabool Bulldogs in a victory.

After the game, the queen and Bear fans danced the night away to the sounds Rock 99's Music Machine in the Frank Hicks Multipurpose Room. Not only for Missy, but for many students, Hoop Queen 1986 truly was a night to end all nights.

1986 Hoop Queen Court: freshman, Velma Cox; sophomore, Stacy Ishmael; crown bearer, Chris Bartlett: 1986 Queen, Missy Dick; flower girl, Veronica Brixey; Retiring Queen, Ellen Carlstrom; and junior, Tami Riechers.

Presiding over the Hoop Queen game, senior Missy Dick awaits the dance which follows in her honor.

Retiring Queen Ellen Carlstrom and her escorts, senior Andy Roberts and junior Todd Leach; crownbearer, Chris Bartlett; and her flower girl, Veronica Brixey.
Junior candidate Tami Riechers and her escorts, juniors Robert Brown and Rodney Wiles.


Freshman candidate Velma Cox and her escorts, seniors George Myers and Chad Emmerson.

Sophomore candidate Stacy Ishmael and her Senior candidate Missy Dick and her escorts, escorts, sophomore Craig Caldwell and junior seniors Eddie Damell and Tony Johnson.
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## Seniors

Starlene May Akers Matt Alcorn Anita Lynne Bartlett Roberta Barton Cindy Lee Bittick Cynthia Bradley Mark Brooks

Brenda Sue Busbey Stephanie Elaine Carroll Carol Lee Carron Cheryl Lynne Cauldwell Sherry Delaine Clinton Bruce Collins Sherry Lynn Collins

James Gregory Combs Donna Sue Conner Karlene K. Cook Kenneth Darrel Cox

Shelli Rae Cox
Cynthia Sue Cummings Edward Lee Darnell

James A. Daum Michelle Dawn Dick Chad R. Emmerson Jill Andrea Emmerson Mary Michele Feagans Oscar Ferguson Teresa Lynn Fetrow




Inter-Scholastic competitors - Row 1: David Theisen, Chris Cash, Lee Turpin, Mr. Dunn. Row 2: Todd McCallist er, Dawn Justice, Stanley Lake, Joe Jones, Mary Nichols. Row 3: Oscar Ferguson, Anita Bartlett, Tawnya Cox,

Jacki McGlynn, Jill Emmerson. Row 4: Skeeter Hall, Teresa Fetrow, Kevin Lowe, Kristen Hood, Michele Feagans. Row 5: Paul Quinn, Terry McCallister, Mike Gooch, Sophia Skinner, Stephanie Carroll.

## By Debbie Ivins

For the first time in their six years of competing in the InterScholastic Contest, the representatives from Willow Springs High School pulled together for a first place finish in their division.

Sponsored by the West Plains Campus of SMSU faculty and student government, the contest was held on March 5 at the West Plains Campus to promote scholastic excellence.
Beginning in 1981, the contest has grown to include approximately 500 students representing 24 area schools. These schools were divided into three divisions according to size and competed for division trophies and first, second, and third place medals. The competition areas included biological science, physical science, mathematics, En-
glish, literature, government, computer science, typewriting, bookkeeping, history, agriculture, and geography.

Willow Springs was well represented by 23 students. These students were picked by the director of each department to compete with other entrants in their division.

According to Mr. Dunn, the student supervisor, the major idea behind these contests is to recognize the students who are doing well in the classroom. "The students took what they had learned in the classroom and won the contest with that. It wasn't something they could prepare or study for. The credit should go to the teachers and students," he said. "I didn't expect us to win this year. We've never won before. The students should be real proud."


Inter-Scholastic competition winners Row 1: Paul Quinn, 3rd place physical science; Stanley Lake, 1st place history; Kristen Hood, 1st place typewriting; Jacki McGlynn, 3rd place mathemat-
ics. Row 2: Lee Turpin, 3rd place history; Joseph Jones, 3rd place biological science; Stephanie Carroll, 2nd place literature; Jill Emmerson, 2nd place geography.


Mr. Zorn explains one of the finer points of Earth Science to junior Christie Dannen.

## Seniors

Damon F. Force John George C. Diane Golubski Michael J. Gooch Robert Wayne Gordon Tanya Gray Patricia Marie Grogan

Charlotte Beth Haddock Skeeter Hall Earl Hansen Bradley Holloway Debra Anne Ivins Anthony Monroe Johnson Deana Kay Jones

Joseph Gerard Jones Dawn Marie Justice Nathan Lessoff Sabrina Lewis Kelly Lynn Martin Kenneth Terrill Martin Kirk Martin

Todd A. McCallister Steve Lee McCarthy David Leon McCormick George Allen Myers Jeanie Marie Osborn Michael Hilton Plank Paul Quinn



## A time to remember

## By Anita Bartlett

As the wills and prophecies were read by the senior class officers, those in attendance sat with smiling faces remembering the past and dreaming of the future. This is how the 1985-86 Junior-Senior Banquet went the evening of May 1, 1986.

Junior class president Tori Adams began the night by welcoming everyone to the banquet and wishing happiness and good fortune to the members of the senior class. Following the invocation by the junior class sponsor Mrs. Emmerson, dinner was
served.
As the banquet proceeded, Matt Moorehead and Tori Adams sang the theme of the evening, "These Dreams." After the reading of the wills and prophecies and the closing words by Mr. Holder, Matt Moorehead concluded the evening by singing "If."

The junior class is to be commended for a job well done. The 1985-86 Junior-Senior Banquet was enjoyed by everyone who attended and was especially appreciated by the seniors of 1986.


Senior class officers. Row 1: Gary Stolba, boy rep.; Missy Turner, treasurer; Toni Robertson, secretary. Row 2: Cindy Cummings, girl rep.; Renee Thompson, vice-pres.; Jeanie Osborn, president.

Beginning the reading of the wills is senior class president, Jeanie Osborm.

It's hard to sing in front of a large group of people, but Matt Moorehead and Tori Adams took it all in stride and did a good job.


Junior class officers. Row 1: Tori Adams, president; Kelly Jennings, secretary; Tonya Dick, treasurer; Tammy Hoisington, girl rep. Row 2: Greg Boyle, vice-pres.; Doug Summers, boy rep.

## Seniors in the service

By Missy Turner

"Four years! It's such a long time," seems to be the initial reaction when a student proudly proclaims his plans to enter into the service.

As seniors start looking toward the future, they find they are faced with a big decision. For many it's an easy choice, while others debate it for months. Many of the seniors this year have chosen to join the service. "I think the armed services is one of the best things you could go into because they teach you things and pay for it. Plus you get lots of benefits and you don't have to worry about a good job for a while," stated Ken Martin.

Kenny is one of the students who has chosen to enlist in the Army. Kenny, who has signed up for four years, will be leaving July 30, 1986, for his training in South Carolina where he will learn heavy wheel mechanics.

Another person who has signed up with the Army is Philip Coleman. Also signed up for four years, Philip leaves for Fort Knox, Kentucky, in August where he will begin his training in computers.

Jay Sherrill is going into the Army for a three year term. Jay leaves on June 10 of this year and will also be stationed at Fort Knox. He will learn tank system mechanics. Upon completion, Jay will receive $\$ 10,800$ to continue his education at college.

The Air Force has also enlisted three guys from the senior class. Chad Emmerson, who has signed for four years, will leave June 10. Chad will begin basics in San Antonio, Texas, training in electrical engineering. David McCormick, who will also be stationed in San Antonio, Texas, will be leaving June 4 to begin training in aircraft mechanics. Tony Johnson also plans to enter the Air Force sometime this fall.

As in the case of the Army and the Air Force, the Marines have also signed three WSHS seniors. Paul Quinn received an R.O.T.C. scholarship which will enable him to attend college for four years at the Virginia Military Institution in Lexington training in avaition ordinance, followed by four more years of service as an officer. Todd McCallister has also signed up for the Marines and he will leave July 15. Todd is enlisted for six years and will be training in electronics.

And finally, Sherry Collins is signed up for the Marines for a six year term during which she will be training in personel and adminis-
trative work. Sherry will ship out June 2, 1986, to Paris Island, South Carolina.

These seniors reasons for joining the armed services range from the experience, career opportunities, and pay, to the chance to serve their country. Though most of these students seemed to be against the draft, they all would not hesitate to fight in case of a war. "I would be more than happy to defend this great country,' stated Jay Sherrill.

Paul Quinn also feels this way, "I would do my best to defend it."

Family and friends will be left behind, and though they will be missed, these students are excited about their new plans. "I'll meet new people, get myself in better shape than I've ever been
in, and learn all I can," commented David McCormick.

Each one of these seniors has chosen his branch of the service and is clearly proud to have been accepted into it. "Personally, I don't believe that any one branch of the serice is best. Just go where you get what you want," stated Philip Coleman.

We've all chosen our own paths to follow, and we'll each go our seperate ways; because of fellow classmates like these, we will continue to have this privilege of freedom.


Senior Paul Quinn looks forward to joining the U.S. Marine Corps.
With a smiling face full of anticipation, Todd McCallister dreams of his future in the USMC.

## Seniors

Marion Roark Clifford Andrew Roberts Toni Marie Robertson Jackie Shelton Jay Sherrill Sophia Loren Skinner Gary Wayne Stolba

Mary Lue Stolba Judy Renee' Thompson Michael Roy Tooley Monica Sue Townsend Angi Turnbull Malissa Lynn Turner Beverly Warren

Dean Lee Welton Jeff White Rachell White

Ray Wood Cindy Worley Kevin Worley




Taking a relaxing pause during lunch hour seniors Jim Combs and Joe Jones enjoy being outside and taking a break from their classes.
"This is it!" thinks senior Sabrina Lewis as she realizes the last few weeks of school are drawing near.

Not pictured:
Philip M. Coleman Willie Conner Lori Wood Green Anthony J. Pettit Ken Sevor
Tina Sydner


Together one last time, the class of 1986 anxiously awaits graduation.

Number one scholar, valedictorian Paul Quinn delivers his speech during commencement exercises.

Salutatorian Todd McAllister pauses briefly during his speech to fellow classmates graduation night.


Exceptional academic abilities enabled these sixteen seniors to receive scholarships.

At the top of the class, these ten maintained superior grade point averages through high school.



## A new beginning

## By Stephanie Carroll

Two by two, maroon next to white, they strolled down the aisle serenaded by "Pomp and Circumstance." As they took their seats and bowed for the opening prayer, a few silent prayers passed through their minds. For the class of ' 86 , the night was full of contradictions: it was the end, and yet the beginning.

Class President Jeanie Osborn welcomed everyone, then directed her sentiments
towards her classmates, finishing with a teary farewell. Following addresses by salutatorian Todd McAllister and valedictorian Paul Quinn, row by row of maroon and white caps and gowns stepped across the stage to accept their diplomas and head out into a new beginning.

With high school behind and the future ahead, the proud graduates of the class of 1986 began a new phase of their lives.


Senior Class President Jeanie Osbom delivers her farewell speech to the class of 86 .
"Survival of the fittest": twelve year seniors have mixed emotions about leaving WSHS.

Most Likely To Succeed－Mike Gooch and Cindy Cummings Class Leaders－Andy Roberts and Jeanie Osborn $0 \rightarrow<ー ロ \pi ー セ+\infty 03$

Class Leaders


Most Spirited


Most Talented


Best Looking

Most Talented - Cindy Cummings and Skeeter Hall Most Athletic - Andy Roberts and Missy Dick



Class Clowns - Joe Jones and Jeanie Osborn
Best Looking - Debbie Ivins and Andy Roberts

Jesse Adams Tori Adams Tim Aldridge Danny Andrews Angie Baker


Libby Batesel Melissa Bayless Jim Berkshire Bryan Bevel Craig Blanck

David Blythe Greg Boyle David Bradford Jeff Brasier Chris Brock

David Brower Lisa Brown Robert Brown Lynette Bullard Robin Burgess


Ellen Carlstrom
Mike Carroll Jeff Casper Russell Cauldwell Jennifer Coatney


Doug Collins
Lisa Collins Robert Conley Alicia Conner
Shane Cook

Tawnya Cox Christie Dannen Billy Davis Lori Davis Tonya Dick


Shelli Flood Margaret Fox ${ }^{4}$ Vicky Fulbright Jerry Glisson Lisa Goodman

Eddie Green Jerry Green Becky Gullion Tammy Hoisington Kristen Hood

## Hard work rewarded with big dividend

## By Angie Baker


eing number one isn't easy, junior Jackie McGlynn contends. She should know. Hard work and extreme dedication have enabled her to maintain a 4.0 average throughout high school. Studying a couple of hours nightly, she is striving for the goal of becoming valedictorian of the senior class next year.
"I think it is an honor to be at the top of the junior class. There are a lot of really smart people in our class," remarked Jackie.

Instead of going to a ballgame, cruising up and down the streets, or dating, Jackie hits the books. When there is an important test coming up, she will study at different times for it.

The longest study session

Jackie ever devoted herself to was seven hours for a final, and she broke that up into two or three hours a night. She usually studies a couple of hours a night before a regular test.
"Studying so much does affect my time to do other things, but it is the only thing I have found so far I do really well. I envy people who are good at sports or music," Jacki said.
Jackie would like to work with abused children and be an art therapist, but she is trying to get a well-rounded education in case she changes her mind.

Jackie believes it all comes down to a person's priorities. "Decide on which is more important," she suggested, "going out to party or studying.

My future plans will take a lot of dedication and I'm just preparing myself now."


Drawing takes up most of the spare
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Matt Hoyler Kelly Jennings Michelle Johnson Troy Johnston Bill Joslin



 Wendy Klapmeyer Todd Leach

Kevin Lowe Christie Majors John Martin Jackie McGlynn Jim Miller

Matt Moorehead Tammy Moss Kori Nelson Mary Nichols Mike Ovivion


Tami Riechers Dallas Selby Mike Shockey Mike Sillman Anna Simon

Steve Sims Amy Smith Joe Smith Kelly Smith Diane Stubbs

 Kurt Owens aron Pettyjohn Bobby Pruitt John Rakestraw
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## Junior Jocks: The athletic majority

By Lisa Collins

Any game you go to whether football, volleyball, basketball, or even a track meet, they're bound to be there scoring the winning touchdown, acing a tough spike, or breaking school records. Who are 'they'? Why, the junior jocks of course.

The junior class at Willow Springs High School is very athletic. The juniors alone make up $44 \%$ of the football team, $38 \%$ of the volleyball team, $40 \%$ of the boys' basketball team, $53 \%$ of the girls' basketball team, and a large percentage of the track teams.

Why do so many of the
juniors take athletics? There are many reasons. It could be because these people love sports and want to be participants, or they just want to stay in shape.

Track team member Kristen Hood combines these two reasons, stating, "Taking part in athletics is a challenging, rewarding experience. Keeping in shape is also an added benefit.'

Athletics is very demanding, and a person must be willing to stay late after school to practice and even on weekends. An athlete has to sacrifice a lot of his social activities in order to compete and give all he has to his sport.

John Martin, a football player for three years, feels that being in athletics is both a challenge and very demanding. "I feel that in order to achieve the status of a good athlete, you have to push yourself and put in extra time. It's a challenge to strive to be the best athlete on the best team possible," he said.

The junior class seem to have combined all the best aspects of their athletic abilities and channeled them into their prospective competitions. This contribution has been an undeniable asset to Bear sports.

## What would you buy for $\mathbf{\$ 5}$ ?

## By Stephanie.Carroll

With rising inflation rates, five dollars might not seem like much these days. But a few sophomores became creative consumers when they suggested numerous items old Abe Lincoln could buy. Inventive ideas abounded, and here are a few worth remembering:
Marsha Asberry - One sleeve of a sweater.
Jenny Bailey - One-fourth of a haircut.
Shauna Baldwin - Enough gas to cruise Willow Springs all
night.
Lola Batesel - A cheap bra like the one I'm wearing.
Craig Caldwell - A hoot.
Blieu Carter - A pair of shoes at Bill's Dollar Store.
Kim Clinton - Revealing Chippendale's poster.
Bruce Dionne - Two of Maurath's special computer discs. Carol Dennis - A neat book. Jen Fris - Half a subscription to Time magazine.
Roger Heim - Half a six-pack.
Russell Johnson - A movie ticket and a small box of popcorn.
Heather Kappelman - Three
pieces of pizza.
Chris Mackey - One-third of Becky O'Brien's tow truck bill. Mike Mayer - Shotgun shells.
Tammy Meal - Half an hour room and board at Farmington.
Beth Pollard - A complete outfit at Tempo.
Richard Rionuse - Quarter pounder, small fries, hot fudge sundae, and a Coke at McDonald's.
Shane Simmons - Ten DECA candy bars.
Jeff Taylor - One and one-half large bags of Cool Ranch Flavor Doritoes.

Mike Aldridge Shawn Altermatt David Archibald Marsha Asberry Shauna Baldwin Denise Bartlett


Barb Barton
Lola Batesel
Amber Bryan
Glenda Bryan
Cindy Burns
Craig Caldwell


Derek Carlson Susan Carroll Blieu Carter Chris Cash Krissa Cash Mary Cauldwell

> Chrissi Chaney Christy Clinton Kim Clinton Lisa Clinton Shawn Coleman Darren Collins

"Only ten more minutes til the bell rings," thinks sophomore Marsha Asberry during her English II class.


Using the file cards to aid her in her research is
Sheila Fulbright.


Jr. Cunningham Kristi Cunningham Darren Daniels Elizabeth Deathridge Carol Dennis Gary Devere

Bruce Dionne Leowen Earls Nichole Force Jeanette Ford Missy Fox Wes Freeman

Jen Fris
Shelia Fulbright Wendy Gibbons Scott Gossard DeWayne Graves Matt Gregory

Rodger Grogan
Ricky Henry Lisa Herring Roger Heim Steve Homer Stacy Ismael


Anna Johnson
Becky Johnson Russell Johnson Jeff Jones
Heather Kappleman
Stanley Lake

Lounging on the sidelines, sophomore Kim Clinton takes a break from hectic marching band practice at the football field.



Terry McCallister Michelle McCormick Mark McReynolds Tammy Meal Michael Means Rachel Nichols Becky O'Brien

Carl Roberts Rhonda Roberts Richard Rionuse Joey Salerno Bryon Schaffer Eddie Sheets

Shane Simmons Heidi Spichtig Brad Stolba Angie Surface Claude Sutton Jeff Taylor

Tina Thornton David Tol Cheryl Townsend Kent Traver Tammy Tucker Ross Turnbull


Wanda Turnbull Lee Turpin Craig Vermillion Kevin Walker Theresa Wake Kevin Watts

Don Eddie Wheat Buffy Whitaker Chipper Wood Norman Wood Marjorie Woodard Tracy Worley


Joel Wyatt Eric Zorn

Not Pictured:
Sean Andersen Jenny Bailey Shelly Baser John Bone Eddie Granados Tim Huffman Mike Mayer Berry Norris

## Junior Olympian shows talent

By Stephanie Carroll


hen Coach Catlett suggested we try out for the Junior Olympic team, I wasn't sure," the tall blonde said, "'but I overcame my fears and went anyway." With that decision, Chrissi Chaney was on her way to becoming a member of a Junior Olympic volleyball team. Consisting of the best state-wide high school volleyball players, the Junior Olympic teams compete in tournaments in Kansas City and St. Louis as well as the national tournament in Minneapolis, Minn.
Tryouts for the Junior Olympic team were held throughout Missouri to select members of the five different Junior Olympic teams in the state. Chrissi attended the session held on the campus of SMSU in Springfield. Tryouts were held over a two-day period, with players being judged on their serving, spiking, blocking and defensive abilities. Chrissi's talents
were obviously noticed, and she was selected to return the next day. "It was really tough," she remembers, "but I made it!"

Chrissi practices with the eleven-member team once or twice a month at SMSU in Springfield. These practices are much more difficult than her regular team practices, Chrissi contends. The Junior Olympic coaching staff consists of head Coach Stephanie Hawbecker, who is assistant volleyball coach at SMSU, and a variety of coaches from Springfield area high schools.
Each player on the Junior Olympic team had to contribute $\$ 250$ for expenses such as tournament entry fees and uniforms. Mercantile Bank sponsored Chrissi with $\$ 100$ towards the purchase of her uniform. Since practices last a full weekend, Chrissi stays with other team members during practice sessions. Chrissi provides her own food and transportation, sometimes carpooling to and from practices.

Although being selected for
a Junior Olympic team is a noticeable achievement, it wasn't the first recognition Chrissi had received for her volleyball talents. She was selected SCA second team this season, as well as being named "Best Spiker' and "Most Improved" on the team last year. A varsity starter this year, Chrissi also started on the varsity Lady Bear team last year as a freshman.
"I feel it is an honor to be selected for the Junior Olympic team," Chrissi concluded. "I've met many talented people and learned many new things. But I do miss playing with my regular teammates." Chrissi surely has nothing to worry about. She'll be back next year on the Lady Bear team, with plenty of valuable Junior Olympic experience and two more seasons of high school volleyball to look forward to.

## Is it just the beginning?

By Debbie Ivins

The toilet flushes and out of the bathroom stumbles Fred Freshman, hair dripping and tangled.
"What happened?" choruses his friends. The victim answers dejectedly, "I was just initiated.'
Another victim of the dreaded swirly.

The rituals of freshmen initiation vary. From trashcanning to flagpoling to just plain getting picked on, every freshman is considered fair target.

Freshmen dreaded going to school knowing that they are the underclassmen, the ones that are going to be harassed. But isn't it funny how a couple of years later these very same students, no longer the vulnerable underclassmen, love picking on these cowering freshmen? This brings about the perplexing inquiry, what do upperclassmen gain from this animalistic behavior?

Senior Sabrina Lewis comments, "We get the satisfac-
tion of knowing that we are the seniors, the ones with authority.'

Freshman Rocky Burgess contradicts this theory, "I think that it is their way of getting attention. They are really jealous.'

Although he isn't known for such antics as using Super Glue for gluing freshmen to their seats (not that the idea hasn't crossed his mind), senior Brad Halloway believes that the reason the underclassmen are bullied around so much is because "they are younger and less experienced.'
One junior, who wishes to remain anonymous, tells the tale of the dreaded ketchup caper. Small packets of ketchup, easily accessible from the local A \& W, are inserted under the hinges of locker doors. Thus, when opened by the unsuspecting freshmen, well, need the result be explained?

What can the furied freshmen do about the unpredictable upperclassmen? First of


Robert Brown and Nathan Lessoff torment freshman Gail Durnell.
all, they must realize that this is a temporary phase that juniors and seniors go through to help prepare them for the years to come.
"It is for their own good," said Jay Sherrill. "We're really doing them a favor.'

So don't despair, freshmen. Your turn to "ketch up" is right around the corner.


Planning her social life is an impor-
tant part of Kristi Sanders' schedule.


Typing is a favorite class of many freshman, including Robin Welch.



Mary Ann Collins Randy Collins Jeff Conger Lori Coulter Velma Cox


Jack Crawford Chris Crudgington Scott Cunningham Stephen Darnell Donnie Daugherty Gail Durnell

## Jody Elliot

Chris Evins
Tracy Fair
Evonne Foster
Melodie Gaither
Sabrina Garrison

# Excuuuse me! 

## By Michele Feagans

First there is silence as an innocent smile flickers over one's face. Then the laughter roars. All this commotion over one simple question? Have you ever made a totally outrageous excuse because you didn't do your homework, or you were late for a class? This question strikes a responsive cord in just about everybody, and the class of ' 89 is no exception.

What are the reasons for this excuse mania? There you sit, hiding behind your notebook,
praying the teacher won't notice you're the only one not handing in a paper. But the inevitable question reaches your ears as the persecutor pins you to your seat with a deadly glare. You hear yourself whisper inaudibly, "Uh . . . my ... my house burned down?!" At least this feeble approach worked for freshman Kristi Sanders.

Running into a room panting twenty minutes after the tardy bell has rung is not a good way to start off the day. But there are those days when a person finds himself so far behind it would take many decades to catch up. "Would you believe I had rocks in my shoes?" is the excuse Tracy Fair pardons
herself with. And, incidentally, the teacher did not believe her.

Excuses range from the believable to the imaginative. If you are ever in a bind, here are some good examples:

Unfinished Homework
"Dog ate it!'
"Russians dropped a bomb and it only hit my house."
"Our washing machine has an insatiable appetite for my homework paper.'

Tardiness
"I was still eating my oatmeal when the bus screeched past.'
"I suddenly fell deaf, and I couldn't hear the bell!'

Tibby Gibbons Sonya Glisson Tobie Gosnell Bruce Gossard Mike Gossard Brad Green


Lenny Green Pam Green Lisa Hanks Arnold Hansen Leslie Hayes Tracy Hickerson


When it comes to typing, Tina Cauldwell, Patricia Worley, and Jack Crawford have no problem.


Gulping sodas contentedly, freshmen Tobie Gosnell and Velma Cox cruise the hallways at lunch looking for some excitement.


Not pictured: Norman Conner
Starr Gray
Bill Slamecka Beverly Wake


Rose Ann Pace Sheila Pender Lisa Ramsey Jamie Rodgers Kristi Sanders David Sharp

Wanda Simon Ivan Smith Kayla Smith Nancy Smith Dilila Sutton Chris Swatosh

Pat Swearengin Mike Theisen Chuck Thompson Annetta Tumbul Tammy Weaver Robin Welch

David Wheat Scott Wilbanks Angela Wood Kimberly Wood Patricia Worley Mike Wraught

## Decision makers excel

## By Amy Smith

Deciding on issues that affect the entire school is not a task to take lightly. School dances, events, and fundraisers are often initiated and sponsored by an elite group the student council. Their duties entail many different activities, and sometimes things can get hectic. But these students manage to put it all together with grace and style.

For instance, consider class officers. It's a tough job and a big responsibility being class officers because they are the decision-makers. Senior class officers this year had goals such as raising money for graduation and providing $\$ 635$ needed to print color senior pictures in the yearbook. The main responsibility of the junior class officers was fundraising for the Jr.-Sr. Banquet and Prom. Although the sophomore and freshman officers don't undertake such mammoth tasks, they are nev-
er-the-less occupied with conducting the Hoop Queen and Homecoming elections for their respective classes.
In addition to the separate class officers, WSHS also has a student council, encompassing the entire student body. This council is mainly responsible for Homecoming and Hoop Queen celebrations. They plan, design, and sponsor both events by holding dances. The money raised is used in various ways. One project the student council contributes to is the Rotary "Christmas For Kids" program. A scholarship is also awarded to a student council member each year. Being involved in student council is a time-consuming affair. But members agree their duties are well worth the effort because they contribute to the happiness and harmony of the entire school.


Senior Class officers: Gary Stolba, boy rep.; Missy Turner, treas.; Renee Thompson, vice-pres.; Jeanie Osborn, 44 STUDENT COUNCIL president; Toni Robertson, sec.; Cindy

Cummings, girl rep.


Student Council: Eric Zorn, Christy Clinton, Robin Welch, Michele Feagans - sec, Scott Wilbanks, Andy Roberts - vice-pres, Anita

Bartlett - pres, Doug Summers, Tammy Hoisington. Not pictured: Cindy Cummings and Gary Stolba.

Junior Class officers: Tori Adams, pres.; Greg Boyle, vice-pres.; Tonya Dick, sec.; Doug Summers, boy rep.;

Kelly Jennings, tres. Not pictured: Tammy Hoisington, girl rep.


Sophomore Class officers: Eric Zorn, boy rep.; Claude Sutton, pres.; Kristi Cunningham, vice-
pres.; Buffy Whitaker, sec.-tres.; Christy Clinton, girl rep.

Freshmen Class officers: Scott Wilbanks, boy rep.; Chuck Thompson, vice-pres.; Shelly Miller, pres.; Carol Boss, sec.-tres.; Robin Welch, girl rep.


Creating a glamerous effect for the queen and her court are sophomores Christy Clinton and Eric Zorm.

*Buffy Whitaker, Coach Joyner, Coach Caldwell,
and Michelle Vermillion, Girls' Basketball.
$\Delta$ Doug Summers, Boys' Varsity Basketball.
$\Delta$ Raymond Eding, Weight Lifting.

- Kelly Webb, Girls' Varsity Basketball.



Willow Springs Varsity Bears. Row 1: Jay Sherrill, Dean Welton, Andy Roberts, Kenny Martin, Tony Johnson, Damon Force, Chad Emmerson, Eddie Darnell. Row 2: Coach Joyner, Raymond Eding, Jeff Casper, Bill Slamecka, Jim Daum, Todd Leach, Kenny Cox, Bill Joslin, Rick Vaughn, Kevin Watts, Wes Freeman, Coach Zorn. Row 3: Head Coach Martin Bowie, Bryan

Bevel, Robert Brown, Kevin Lowe, Jerry Glisson, Rich Thompson, Bill Davis, John Martin, David Theisen, Joel Wyatt, Eric Zorn, Coach Rowles. Row 4: Roger Heim, Shane Simmons, Chris Mackey, Chris Cash, DeWayne Graves, Craig Caldwell, Shawn Altermatt, Stanley Lake, Brad Stolba, Eddie Sheets, and Kent Traver

## Football Bears

# Prove capability 

By Anita Bartlett

"I would have to say that the Liberty game was our best game," commented Head Varsity Football Coach Martin Bowie. "It was very important for us to win because we had lost to Houston the previous week."
"I think that we really surprised most people. We were picked to finish 7th in the conference at the end of the season, and we ended up tieing for 3rd, which stunned almost everyone," he said.

Completing the 1985 season with a 7-3 record did indeed shock quite a few people, but with hours of practice and hard work as a team, the Bears proved to everyone what they were capable of doing.

Team co-captain Andy Roberts felt that the Bears played well most of the time.
"We proved that we could go and compete with any other team and do a good job. Although we fell short at the end, I believe that we had a very successful season overall," he said.

Following the final game of the season, members of the football Bears anxiously awaited the announcement of SCA conference selections, and not surprisingly twelve team members received honors.

Those chosen for outstanding contributions were Bill Davis, 1st team running back; Andy Roberts, 2nd team defensive end; Eddie Darnell, honorable mention offensive guard; Todd Leach, 1st team punter and 2 nd team defensive back; Robert Brown, honorable mention wide receiver; Damon Force, honorable mention de-


Senior football players for the 85-86 season Row 1: Jim Daum, Kenny Cox, Jay Sherrill, Dean Welton, and Damon Force. Row 2: Andy Roberts, Chad

Emmerson, Tony Johnson, Kenny Martin, Eddie Darnell, and Bill Slamecka.
fensive tackle; Ken Martin, 2nd team offensive guard; Raymond Eding, 2nd team linebacker; Richie Thompson, honorable mention center; Jerry Glisson, honorable mention offensive tackle, and Roger Heim, honorable mention nose guard.

Junior running back, Bill Davis feels that next year will prove to be very exciting and successful. "If we train hard during the off-season, we have a good chance of going undefeated and making it into the play-offs," he said.

For a year of "rebuilding" the Willow Springs Bears certainly looked better than expected. Bear fans will definitely look forward to next season and the possibilites it will bring.


Todd Leach prepares to block oncoming defense as Bill Davis runs the ball closer to the goal line.

## Despite injuries



## Winning season

## By Lisa Collins

Playing JV football is a learning experience for those who wish to compete on the varsity level. The WSHS junior varsity squad is no exception. Coach Frank Rowles said, "The JV squad will provide next year's varsity team with added power because of their efforts.'

The loss of Craig Caldwell as quarterback slowed the team offense down. With the help of Chris Cash, who took over Craig's position, the team got back onto the winning track.

Wide receiver Eric Zorn stated, "We played well despite the injuries that continued to plague us throughout the season."

Coach Joyner stated that the game in which the team played their best was the Ava game and the team knew they
had to win.
Eric Zorn helped the JV squad pull out this win. He converted two caught passes into touchdowns adding an extra 12 to the Bears' score.
'The losses to Cabool and West Plains were the hardest for the team to bear. They were definite let-downs," stated Coach Joyner.

Shawn Altermatt, tailback, felt that the team had a good season and played together better as a team.

Although the record doesn't support this view, the team had a victorious season.


Wide receiver Eric Zorn listens intently to Coach Rowles' game plan strategies.

Riding down mainstreet in the back of a pickup gives these hard working freshmen a chance to relax.

## Small team

## Big improvements

By Anita Bartlett

Although the freshman football Bears lacked in size and number and had a record that would be less than desirable to most, to them a season record of 2 wins and 3 losses was definitely a winning season.

Having won only one game since the beginning of junior high, this small team really showed improvement as compared to past performances.
"We didn't let our opponents score nearly as many points on us this year as they did last year and this is where our improvement was most
evident," commented Coach Dan Zorn.

This remarkable team may have lacked in size and number, but its enthusiasm toward the game of football didn't waver. After winning the Houston game the team's enthusiasm was unbelievable. "You simply had to be there to grasp the full extent of the excitement!" said Coach Zorn.
After seeing the improvements that were accomplished this year, Bear fans can only speculate on what next year's season will bring.


Scott Cunningham, number 64, gives it his all during the Ava game.


The 1985 freshmen Bears. Row 1: Bruce Gossard, Ivan Smith, Steve Darnell, Jeff Conger, Aaron Hicks, Chris Evins, Chris Swatosh, and Coach Zorn. Row 2: Mike Wraught, Marvin Joslin, Chris Crudgington, Chuck Thompson, Donnie Daugherty,

David Ivins, Scott Cunningham, Allen Burgess and Jamie Rodgers.

Varsity volleyball team members: Row 1-Star Akers, Jill Emmerson, Christy Clinton, Elizabeth Deatherage, and Tina Cauldwell. Row 2 - Missy

Dick, Tammy Hoisington, Chrissi Chaney, Angie Baker, Tonya Dick, and Coach Canette Catlett.


## Thanks to high spirits

## And hard work

## By Angie Baker

"My firs! year of coaching has been very enjoyable. At the same time it's been demanding and a positive learning experience for me. For being a first year coach, I don't believe I could have handpicked a better group of athletes to coach," said Canette Catlett, varsity volleyball coach.

Obviously, the 1985 season was Coach Catlett's first year of coaching. She became acquainted with the players personally while the players learned what she expected from them. Her main objective was to help the players develop a positive attitude.

1985 was a rebuilding year for the Lady Bears. They worked mainly on jumping ability and basic skills. The
team goal at the beginning of the season was to improve last year's record. They achieved this well-deserved goal with hard work and high spirits.
"This volleyball season was a positive rebuilding season for the Lady Bears. The team played well throughout the season," commented Coach Catlett.

The varsity team ended their season with an overall record of 10-11.

Missy Dick, a starting senior, said, "Our volleyball season was a great improvement over the last couple of years.'

In SCA conference selections, sophomore Chrissi Chaney was awarded second team, and junior Angie Baker and senior Missy Dick both achieved honorable mention status.

Seniors Missy Dick and Star Akers await their chance to return to the game.


Serving the ball for the Lady Bears, freshman Tina Cauldwell shows off her ability.

Spiking the ball over the net and out of the reach of the Panther defense is junior Tonya Dick.


Varsity starter Tammy Hoisington catches her breath while anticipating the opposing serve.

Varsity seniors: Jill Emmerson, Missy Dick, and Star Akers.


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## JV alters offense mid-season

## Teamwork improves spirit

## By Diane Golubski

"Switching offenses in midseason really improved our game," commented junior varsity volleyball coach Lexie Bowling. "We began using the $6-1$ offense, and it worked very well."

A new offense wasn't the only strategy incorporated into the Lady Bears' season. Skillful spiking and strong serving were other aspects of their overall success.
"We finally decided to work as a team, and it really made a difference," said sophomore Kristi Cunningham. This teamwork was reflected in the season record of 7-9, and 5-4 in SCA play.
"Due to the varsity losing only one starter, the outlook for next year is very promising," Coach Bowling concluded.



## Loyal

## supporters

By Amy Smith

Did you ever stop to think who has the water there for all the players? Who washes the uniforms, so their moms won't have to? When the team has a victory do you ever see the managers being congratulated?

The managers are the ones who never get a chance to play the sport for some reason or another. But they still keep the school spirit to help out the players. In between keeping stats, they see that each player has water, a towel, or numerous other necessities. But most importantly, they are there to lend moral support to the team.

So the next time you are at a game, take time out to congratulate the managers, win or lose. It takes a special person to be a manager - a very loyal person, not only to the team, but to each player also.


Managers - Row 1: Justin Watson, Kelly Lowe, Derek Feagans. Row 2: Tori Adams, Stacy Ishmael, Wendy

Gibbons, Mary Cauldwell. Row 3: John Martin, Billy Davis, Farrel Graves, and Greg Boyle.

## MANAGERS

Football
Justin Watson
Brian Wraught
Volleyball
Mary Cauldwell
Jeanie Osbom
Boys' Basketball
Farrel Graves
Kelly Lowe
Derek Feagans
Girls' Basketball
Tori Adams
Mary Cauldwell
Wendy Gibbons
Stacy Ishmael
Track
Greg Boyle
Billy Davis
John Martin
Becky O'Brien


Senior Andy Roberts puts the shot up against the aggressive defense of the Cabool Bulldogs.


Sophomore Craig Caldwell blocks out the opponent after the shot is up.

Senior George Myers brings the ball up court to set up the Bears' offense.


## Team spirit

## Provides success

By Missy Turner

Strong rebounding and good team leading ability turned out to be this year's varsity basketball team's greatest assets. As the Bears clawed their way through the season, they emerged with a record of 14-12 and 7-2 in SCA.
"We were surprised to be 7-0 in SCA up until the last two games," commented coach Brent Colley.

Though they did not sweep through the season, there were numerous games where the guys put up a long hard fight, as in the case of the unforgettable West Plains battle. With standing room only and a championship atmosphere, the two rival teams went at it neck and neck to the end leaving the Bears slightly disappointed, but yet satisfied.

Scoring was a plus for the Bears as they managed to outscore their opponents in
free throws and total points per game. An important scorer and rebounder for the team was junior Doug Summers who had a total of 171 offensive and defensive rebounds throughout the season, a free throw percentage of 77.5 , and 13.2 average points per game. Junior Robert Brown also greatly assisted the team by having a final total of 38 stolen balls, 74 assists, and 89 field goals.

Other members with high statistics were sophomore Craiag Caldwell with a total of 27 recoveries, junior Todd Leach with 23 charges drawn, and junior Rodney Wiles with 6 tip controls.

Doug Summers summed up the season by saying, "I think we played more like a team this year, and we'll improve and have an even better season next year.'


Senior members: George Myers,
Eddie Darnell, Andy Roberts, Chad

Emmerson, Tony Johnson.


Team members: Chris Evins, Eric Zorn, Chris Cash, Bryan Bevel, Derek Carlson, Craig Emmerson, DeWayne

Graves, Donnie Daugherty, Joel Wyatt, Jack Crawford.

## Cooperation pays off

## JV gets together

by Michele Feagans

Combining individual talents and personalities into one team is not always easy. Although the 1986 junior varsity basketball team struggled with this hard task, they pulled it together by combining their talents into an almost undefeatable force, making this season one of the best in the history of junior varsity basketball.

According to Coach Mac Gum, there were no specific five starters on the team. "All of my team members were starting material," he stated. "I just switched them around for every game." This paved the way to achieve the goal of providing playing time and
experience for each team member.
The high point of the Bears' season was their major accomplishment of winning the West Plains tournament. After a tough game which went into overtime, the Bears defeated West Plains with a score of 2925. "This was the best game of the season," said team member, DeWayne Graves, triumphantly. "And we're proud of it!"
Coach Gum looks forward to continuing this year's success into next season. "It was a very interesting and exciting year," ... he stated.



Chris Evins shoots the ball despite some formidable defense.

Donnie Daugherty and Scott Wilbanks are determined to rebound the ball.

## Go for the goal

## Frosh aim high

## By Michele Feagans

After having set a goal, the 1986 freshmen basketball team's main ambition was to achieve it. And what was that goal? "We wanted to win more than four games," answered freshman coach, Martin Bowie. "This is something they never did in junior high." These players worked hard for their goal and it paid off with a total of six games won.

The freshmen Bruins greatly
improved their skills as the season wore on. Defeated by Cabool in the first game, they later rallied back to overcome the Bulldogs. "We lacked firepower at the beginning of the season," explained Chuck Thompson. "But the more we played and practiced, the better we scored.'
"I feel that we worked together and improved as a team," added Coach Bowie. "Everyone played and gained valuable experience!"


Row 1: Jack Crawford, Chris Evins, Aaron Hicks, Stephen Darnell. Row 2: Scott Cunningham, Donnie Dau-
gherty, Chuck Thompson, Scott Wilbanks, Chris Swatosh, Larry Brown.


Shooting for two is junior Kelly Webb, while junior Michelle Vermillion and senior Missy Dick wait.


1985-86 Lady-Bears: Coach Caldwell Kori Nelson, Jamie Watson, Michelle Vermillion, Kelly Webb, Tawnya Cox Tonya Dick, Angie Baker, Missy Dick.


Houston's tough defense is no match
for junior Angie Baker's awesome offense.

## Team dedication

## Factor of success

## By Angie Baker

Working together and taking control on the court were two important factors that determined a successful season for the varsity Lady Bears this year.

Head Coach Lois Caldwell commented, "The girls were the best group for teamwork that I've ever had. They really worked especially hard in the off-season and during the summer to improve their skills."

This dedication led to a superior season for the Lady Bears with a 25-4 record and 8 1 in SCA conference play. They were also rated 2 nd in the conference at the end of the regular season, their defense and field goal percentage taking top honors.

Several players also received all-conference honors. Kelly Webb was selected first team. Michelle Vermillion was awarded second team, and Missy Dick and Angie Baker were granted honorable mention. Kelly Webb also received All-District first team.

Although the Lady Bears suffered a disappointing loss to Thayer in the season, they rallied back to gain many vic-
tories, and defeat Mtn. Grove four times, a fact they were particularly proud of. Despite the frustration and fatigue that sometimes befell them, the girls kept continued high spirits and drove to their goal.

The Lady Bears scored consistently throughout the season, and post-season tournament play was no exception. They fought their way up through sectionals, downing Union and keeping their fans satisifed. But the "Big House" in Columbia was just not meant to be as the Lady-Bears fell to Monett by 1 point for a disappointing loss in quarterfinals.
'Being in basketball takes a lot of determination, time, and hard work," said Michelle Vermillion, "But I really believe it's all worth it." This sense of devotion seems to be shared by all the Lady Bears; and just as their dedication paid off this season, it will definitely inspire them to reach for new heights in the future.

## Luck, determination

## Promotes victory

Tina Cauldwell hustles for a loose ball as Buffy Whitaker rushes to assist.

Lisa Collins puts a shot up as Buffy Whitaker and Chrissi Chaney position themselves for a possible rebound.

By Lisa Collins

For a team to have only seven players and end its season with a 14-4 record, something must be going its way. It appears that luck definitely went the way of the junior varsity Lady Bears this season. The team came very close to finishing its season undefeated, but it lost four games by a total of only 21 points.

A main factor that helped the girls finish their season so strongly was their hustle and their sheer determination to finish their season as winners.

Junior varsity coach, Alan Joyner, felt that the girls did an outstanding job and finished their season victorious even though they did suffer four hard losses.

Probably the toughest game for the girls to handle losing was their second loss to Mtn. Grove. The game went into overtime with the Mtn. Grove

Lady Panthers eventually coming out on top, winning by only four points.

Throughout the season, the girls stuck together and encouraged each other to fulfill individual, as well as team, goals. This was an added bonus to the success of their season.
The girls' season ended on a very strong note, and Coach Joyner supported this by adding, "I thought we had an outstanding season for the number of girls that we had out to play. Next year should be even a better year for both the varsity and junior varsity teams as we are expecting victorious seasons for both.'


JV girls' team members: Gail Durnell, Tina Cauldwell, Dana Medley, Chrissi Chaney, Lisa Collins, Kristi Cunning-
ham, Buffy Whitaker, and Coach Alan Joyner


Bud Kelley, Tracey Clark, and David Potter exert all energies during lunch hour playing basketball.
Sabrina Lewis and Tammy Collins hustle to meet the hockey puck in P.E. class.

Kori Nelson takes to the pool to practice her dive during her spare time in the summer.


## Sports spirit

## Shines through

By Lisa Collins

School sports aren't the only "important" sports around. Other students besides those involved in athletics are very active in other sports activities. Staying active is a very vital part of these students' lives even though they don't show it by participating in school sponsored athletic events.

These students who participate in sports that are not school sponsored seem to really enjoy themselves as they shoot a few baskets or swing a few bats.

Basketball, volleyball, golf, swimming, football, softball, and baseball are a few of the many sports activities that students enjoy playing in their spare time. During lunch hour, one can look over at the tennis
courts beside the old gym and almost always see a group of students playing basketball. This is a type of enjoyment for these students.
Another way students spend their lunch hour is playing frisbee. When the weather warms up and students are able to get outside during lunch hour, there are often groups gathered flinging frisbees back and forth. This is a very relaxing and fun type of exercise.
No matter whether students are participating in athletics or other sports, one must realize that sports are very important whether for team or individual satisfaction.

## Boys' Track

## Running To win

## By Ellen Carlstrom

Competing as a 3A school with inexperience and a small team is tough, but the WSHS boys' track team made the best of it and had a great year.

There were a lot of accomplishments this year, and Jim Daum was certainly a standout. He broke the long jump record and received the golden spike award. Todd Leach qualified for state in the triple jump. He finished as one of the top 16 jumpers in the state. Claude Sutton received the most improved award.

The team really improved this year in the field events. "It was our weakest event last year, and this year our strongest. It helped us place well in the conference," Coach Bowie said. The Rolla Relays was a successful meet, and everyone's performance was good. The team placed third there.

Coach Bowie felt the team had a good year, but that next year will be even better. "Next year we will be more competitive, more kids will come out, we'll be a lot stronger and more educated", he said.


Eddie Darnell takes it all in stride as he runs the hurdles.


Triple jumper Todd Leach sees hov far he can make it this time.

The 1985-86 Boys' Track members: Row 1 - Claude Sutton, Chuck Radar, Mike Carroll, Chris Mackey, Chris Evins, Bill Joslin. Row 2 - John Martin, Todd Leach, Robert Conley, Kent

Traver, Jim Daum, Chad Emmerson, Marvin Joslin, Greg Boyle. Row 3 Craig Caldwell, John Rakestraw, Mike Mayer, Rich Thompson, Rodney Wiles, and Damon Force.



Senior members of the team were Jim Daum, Damon Force, and Chad Emmerson.


Sophomore Kent Traver races his relay to a victory.

After hitting the ball, senior Jim Combs keeps his eye on the ball.


Rearing back, junior Mike Carroll hits the ball.


## Golfers end year

## District champs

## By Ellen Carlstrom

The golf team had a super season this year. "We did have a good year; it will be even better next year, if the golfers work harder," commented Coach Brent Colley.

This year's team consisted of Mike Carroll, Derek Carlson, Robert Brown, John Martin, Todd Leach, and the one and only senior, Jim Combs.

The golfers placed 4th in the S.C.A. and 1st at district, which qualified them for state play. Team members Todd Leach
and Mike Carroll performed well at this meet; Todd placing second, and Mike placing forth.
'This is only the second time that we have won the districts," said Coach Colley.
"It was fun, but yet hard work. Being my first year, I had to spend a lot of my time practicing. Winning districts was great, but we should have shot better," commented junior John Martin.


Girls' Track Team members: 1st Row - Kristen Hood, Susan Carroll, Kori Nelson, Glenda Bryan, Tina Cauldwell, Gail Durnell, and Donna Conner. 2nd Row - Sonya Glisson, Carol Boss, Wendy Gibbons, Tonya Dick, Missy

Dick, Missy Turner, Michele Feagans, and Tobie Gosnell. 3rd Row - Kristi Cunningham, Buffy Whitaker, Chrissi Chaney, Anna Johnson, Liz Mayer, Mary Cauldwell, and Sheila Pender.


Jumping over the hurdles, Kristen Hood and Gail Durnell begin to pass their opponent.


Starting off, Glenda Bryan takes each stride carefully.

Running to the finish line is senior Missy Turner.

Pushing to the end, sophomore Susan Carroll works her way toward the finish line.



The track team had three senior members: Michele Feagans, Missy Turner, and Missy Dick.

## Girls' track team

## Runners in action

By Lisa Collins

Going into practice each and every day with the determination to improve and become the best they could is exactly what the 1986 girls' track team did this year.

This track season was like a rebuilding year for the track team considering that the largest percentage of the team was freshmen and sophomores. Future track teams should have outstanding showings as the younger members of this year's team gain experience. Girls' coach Lois Caldwell, commented, "I see much possibility for next year if we can get more sprinters out."

In every sport there seems to always be a team leader. This was not exactly so for the Lady Bears this season. They were led and encouraged by
three outstanding teammates. Senior Missy Dick led the jumpers, junior Kori Nelson led the distance runners, and freshman Gail Durnell led the sprinters.
It takes lots of hard work and team cooperation for a team to succeed, but that didn't bother the girls at all. The team members worked real hard together, encouraging one another. This resulted in many members greatly improving their time.
The hard work and determination paid off for the girls eventually. They might not have accomplished the S.C.A. standing they deserved, but they did gain lots of team and self satisfaction from all their efforts.

## A close-up

## Behind the scenes

by Angie Baker

The roar of the crowd can be experienced at any Bear game. Team support is very important in all sporting events. But the fans don't make the only contribution to their team. An often overlooked, essential part of this support is the chain gang.
The loyal fans also show their support at Bear games by performing such important functions as running the clock, keeping the gate, and announcing the games. Whitey Williams, Bill Lovelace, John Adams, and Dan Holloway all agree that the jobs are vital community functions.
"I enjoy working with the Bears and showing the community will be with them through thick and thin," said Whitey Williams. "Not one of us has missed a game for four years, except Dan Holloway,
and he only missed one."
While the chain gang controls the field, the announcer's booth is alive with action. Rex Pace keeps track of the clock, and Dennis Coulter records the numbers on the scoreboard. Jim Girdley announces step-by-step play action, and Hubert Roark spots the field. Pat Dominguez and Don Pigg film game action from on top the booth. Rev. Pete Dominguez starts every game with prayer.

The chain gang and the rest of the "support crew" contribute their support, as well as their time, to the Bear teams. So the next time you consider all the elements that make our teams what they are, remember the "behind-the-scenes" people and express your appreciation.


Chain gang member Bill Lovelace pauses between plays to view extra yardage the Bears have achieved.

Whitey Williams waits for his signal before going out to mark the yardage.

Displaying team spirit in the annual Homecoming Parade, freshmen Chris Evans, Steven Darnell, Ivan Smith, and Sambo entertain the crowd as Coach Joyner waves.

Concentrating on his coach's every word, junior fullback Brian Bevel prepares to take the field.


Filmer Don Pigg considers a different angle of filming as Superintendent Holder scopes the field.



Junior fullback Raymond Eding anxiously awaits the outcome of Dr. Shaw's examination on the sidelines.


Freshman Chris Swatosh pauses for last-minute instructions from Coach Rowles and Coach Zom before he subs.

Calling play-by-play, announcer Jim

## Cheerleaders

## Promote spirit

## By Debbie Ivins

Although there have been dramatic changes in cheerleading throughout the years, its main purpose remains the same. As Libby Batesel puts it, "We promote spirit for the best team alive, the Willow Springs Bears!" Making posters and banners for the halls and practicing hours a week helped to keep the fans' spirits high and the cheerleaders busy during both seasons.

The football cheerleaders performed a dance routine to the music of Billy Idol's "Mony, Mony" at the Homecoming game. Senior Night the junior
varsity and varsity squads combined their talents to perform a routine to the music of Digital Display.

All the cheerleaders had a great time this year as well as the first year sponsor Pat Carlstrom. Mrs. Carlstrom commented, "The girls have worked so hard, and they were very determined to be a good squad. Willow Springs High School can be very proud of their cheerleaders as well as the Bear team they represented.'

Pictured below is this year's only senior cheerleader, Toni Robertson.

"Even the cold weather won't stop us!'

Varsity football cheerleaders - Row 1 : Toni Robertson, Tami Riechers. Row 2: Libby Batesel, Denise Bartlett, Ellen Carlstrom (captain), and Carol Boss.
'We can hold Tobie Gosnell up with no problem!" said Kayla Smith and Mary Ann Collins.


Varsity basketball cheerleaders: Shelley Miller, Beth Pollard, Tami Riechers, Denise Bartlett (captain), Ellen Carlstrom, and Carol Boss.


Junior varsity cheerleaders were small in number this year, but their spirits were outstanding.

This year's varsity cheerleaders smile pretty for a candid shot after a big game.

## Bobby Bell speaks

## Athletes honored

## By Debbie Ivins

The athletes and coaches of Willow Springs High School attended a banquet in their honor on May 15.

Held in the Frank David Hicks Multi-Purpose Room, the sports banquet proved to be a success. In addition to the deserving awards presented to the athletes, Pro Football Hall of Fame inductee Bobby Bell was the guest speaker. The two highest awards given during the night were the John Franklin Hines Athlete of the Year Award, presented to Missy Dick and Todd Leach, and the Greg Leach Student Athlete Scholarship Award, presented to Missy Dick and Andy Roberts.
Other awards not shown in the pictures are as follows:

Football - Best Lineman, Ken Martin; Most Tackles, Raymond Eding; Best Back, Billy Davis. Volleyball - Best Spiker, Chrissi Chaney; Best Server, Missy Dick; Most Improved, Tina Cauldwell; Most Valuable, Angie Baker. Boys' Basketball - Best Defense, Andy Roberts and Todd Leach. Girls' Basketball - Best Defense and Most Rebounds, Michelle Vermillion; Best Shooting Percentage, Missy Dick. Boys' Track - Golden Spike and MVR, Jim Daum; Most Improved, Claude Sutton. Girls' Track - The Dreaded Bucket Award, Michele Feagans.



Proudly accepting her Sambo Hines Award, Missy Dick was also the recipient of the Greg Leach Scholarship.


Andy Roberts received his Greg Leach Scholarship award from Wilma and Leslie Leach.


Sambo Hines presents Todd Leach with the very special John Franklin Hines Athlete of the Year Award.

Pro Football Hall of Fame inductee, Bobby Bell, was the guest speaker for the banquet.
Kori Nelson is presented with the Most Valuable Runner Award.


Coach Bowie presents Billy Davis with his MVP award for his outstanding accomplishments in football.

The Best Shooting Percentage and Most Rebound Awards for the basketball season went to Doug Summers.



Coach Caldwell presents Missy Dick with the girls' basketball MVP award.


The Golden Spike Award and the Most Improved Award is presented to Gail Durnell.

Todd Leach received his lowest average award for his golf accomplishments from Coach Colley.


4Mike Sillman and David McCormack, Spanish


Although Jessica's (Star Akers) appearance may show otherwise, she is truly a future female wrestler.

Mr. Morlock (Anthony Pettit) seems to be hearing the worst from not only Mrs. Morlock (Angie Baker) but also the angry ghost of Luigi (Steve McCarthy).


# "Rest Assured" a big hit 

by Michele Feagans

What do two ghosts, a worried widow, an overly anxious daughter, and a wacky maid make? A comedy entitled "Rest Assured" presented by the WSHS drama department possessed these unusual qualities and many more.

Backstage, the cast and crew scurried about making sure props were in place as they nervously recited the lines they had been studying for the past month. The lights dimmed, the crowd hushed, and the curtain rose on Jessica (Star Akers) doing toe touches. So begun the saga of the Morlock family.

Mr. Morlock (Anthony Pettit) is a wealthy tyrant, a chronic workaholic who believes he has no time for anything but
his business. He hardly knows his family even exists, and this attitude has definite effects on everyone involved. He won't allow his daughter Mary (Michele Feagans) to wed Joe (Robert Doneski) and this results in the interference of Luigi (Steve McCarthy), Joe's father. After a series of hilarious conflicts, Luigi dies and returns to haunt Mr. Morlock until he gives his consent for the marriage. Mr. Morlock dies too, and from then on utter chaos reigns in the Morlock household. Between the antics of Mildred (Stephanie Carroll) and the rest of the family, there is never a dull moment.

Everything falls into place as Mr. Morlock awakens to find it was all just a dream inspired by Luigi's deceased wife, Martha (Kelly Jennings). This
realization gives him an entirely new outlook on life, and he discovers how important his family really is.

The success of the play was entirely dependent upon the cast and crew, as well as audience reaction. A few moments of humor on stage translated into hours of work in rehearsal. Most cast members would agree that the time and trouble were well worth the effort in making the Morlock family come alive.


Threats to a marriage can be numerous as Mr. Morlock can see by Dr.
Brown's (Jerry Green) actions toward Mrs. Morlock (Angie Baker).
"Well, if it isn't one thing, it's another!" exclaims Mildred, the maid (Stephanie Carroll).


Mr. Black (Kurt Owens) discusses funeral plans with Mrs. Morlock (Angie Baker).

In addition to editing Paw Prints, Deana Jones also takes care of minor duties like cropping pictures.

Sitting pretty assistant editors Stephanie Carroll and Anita Bartlett ham it up at the MIPA summer journalism workshop at the University of Missouri - Columbia.


Willamizzou Staff Row 1: Anita Bartlett, layout eidtor; Missy Tumer, editor; Stephanie Carroll, copy editor; Joe Jones, photo editor. Row 2: Amy

Smith, Michele Feagans, Diane Golubski, Debbie Ivins, Angie Baker, Lisa Collins, Ellen Carlstrom.


## Journalism Excels

## By Stephanie Carroll

Hard work, dedication, and patience are only a few of the many qualities it takes to be a journalist. As any one on the yearbook or newspaper staff can attest, being involved in high school journalism can be very hectic.

Despite various misgivings, this year's Willamizzou staff possessed one definite asset - experience. With only two exceptions, every staff member had at least one year of previous journalism experience. "We have a very experienced, creative staff this year," commented publications advisor Mrs. Emmerson. Four senior staff members divided editorial duties with Missy Turner acting as editor. Two junior staff members were "promoted" from J-I to J-II at se-
mester to help with the overload of assignments. "It certainly wasn't easy," said Missy, "but I believe we will be rewarded with an outstanding yearbook.'

Although smaller than the yearbook staff, the Paw Prints staff still had to work as hard. Covering everything from sports to classes to social activities, the newspaper staff kept a busy schedule. "With the cooperation of everyone, we were able to print a respectable paper," said assistant editor Robert Gordon.
Staff members of the Willamizzou and Paw Prints agree that throughout all the strain and hassle, they shared a common interest - to produce the best publications possible. With devotion, dedication, and pride, they seem to have achieved this goal.

Keeping up with the latest edition, Paw Prints staffer Sophia Skinner checks her assignments in J-II.


Paw Prints staff Row 1: Deana Jones, editor; Robert Gordon, assistant editor. Row 2: Sophia Skinner, Bryan Bevel, Kelly Jennings, Kelly Webb, Libby Batesel.

Willamizzou editor Missy Tumer often takes her work home with her in order to meet endless deadlines.

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## Band marches on

By Michele Feagans

Having experience certainly aids any person in performing a certain activity. And how much better can experience be obtained than by practicing that activity? The 1985 season of the Willow Springs High School marching band was an experience-building season. Early morning practices, inclement weather, and continual disappointments plagued the band members, but they kept marching on. "I think the hardest part for everyone was having to do the same thing over and over again," commented Bruin marching band member, Renee Thompson. "We would just finish a song and Mr. East would tell us to go back and do it again." Yet each time this hard-working group repeated the performance, they became a little better and gained valuable field experience.

On an average, the 1986 WSHS concert band was not quite so young and inexperienced as the marching band. They proved this by receiving high ratings at both district and state competitions. Five concert band members qualified for SCA Select Band, an elite group comprised of musicians from all SCA schools. In order to proceed to state, the flute trio and clarinet quartet received one ratings at districts in Waynesville. Both groups received two ratings at the state competitions in Columbia. The 22 member woodwind choir received a two honor rating at state competition in Waynesville.
"I was very proud of the 1985-86 marching and concert bands," stated band director, John East. "They performed well for their skill levels."

Percussionists, Jay Sherrill, David Blythe, and Michael Means step in line at evening band practice.



Clarinet Quartet: Row 1 - Ellen Carlstrom, Kim Clinton. Row 2 - Roberta Barton, Patty Grogan.

Osborn. Row 2 - Renee Thompson, Michele Feagans, Angie Wood, Lisa Hanks, Tina Thornton, Michelle

Flag and rifle members: Row 1 Sharry Murdy, Missy Tumer, Jeanie

McCormick, Shelley Miller, Sabrina Lewis, Stephanie Carroll.


Senior band members: Row 1 - Missy Tumer, Missy Dick, Michele Feagans, Diane Golubski, Jill Emmerson, Roberta Barton, Angi Turnbull. Row 2 . Renee Thompson, Jeanie Osborn,

Stephanie Carroll, Sabrina Lewis, Patty Grogan. Row 3 - Tony Johnson, Jay Sherrill, Chad Emmerson, Brad Holloway.

Flute trio, Kelly langdon, Amber Bryan, and Tami Riechers show pleased faces over successful season.



Majorette Diane Golubski and Major Craig Blanck execute a very impressive salute to the crowd.


Band members: Row 1 - Diane Golubski, Tami Riechers, Kelly Langdon, Lola Batesel, Marie Collins, Tammy Meal, Heather Kappelman, Debra Lovan, Stacy McKee, Rachel Nichols, Craig Blanck. Row 2 - Becky O'Brien, Ellen Carlstrom, Missy Dick, Kayla Smith, Lena Hoyler, Jen Fris, Mary Ann Collins, Jill Emmerson, Patty Grogan. Row 3 - Chad Baker, Elizabeth Deatherage, Roberta Barton, Kris Moorhead, Barbie Loring, Brad Holloway, Wes Freeman, Chad Emmerson. Row 4 - Darin Bradford, Wendy Klapmeyer,

Amber Bryan, Carol Boss, Roland Conner, Stacy Webb, Billy Adams, Craig Emmerson, Tony Johnson. Row 5 - Alicia Conner, David Blythe, Michael Means, Donnie Daugherty, Chris Crudgington, Beth Pollard, Tobie Gosnell, Angi Tumbull. Row 6-Lisa Hanks, Tina Thomton, Michelle McCormick, Angie Wood, Sharry Murdy, Shelley Miller. Row 7 - Renee Thompson, Sabrina Lewis, Jeanie Osbom, Michele Feagans, Missy Turner, Stephanie Carroll.


Concert Choir members: Row 1. Denise Bartlett, Beth Pollard, Toni Robertson, Star Akers, Patty Grogan, Roberta Barton, Sophie Skinner. Row 2 - Christie Majors, Becky Johnson, Monica Townsend, Amy Smith, Emma Cory, Kristi Cunningham, Liz Mayer. Row 3 - Lori Davis, Tori Adams, Libby Batesel, Kelly Jennings, Kristen Hood, Anna Johnson, Ellen Carlstrom, Jackie Pender. Row 4 - Doug Collins, Tony Johnson, Jim Daum, Craig Blank, Matt Moorhead, Brad Holloway.
Matt Moorhead and Ellen Carlstrom enjoy concert choir.

## Singing is fun

## By Ellen Carlstrom

Concert choir had an outstanding year under the direction of Mr. Rob Comstock. Ellen Carlstrom was the accompanist. "I was very pleased with this year's choir. They participated well and worked hard," said Mr. Comstock.

The choir traveled to Waynesville for the district music festival and did an excellent job receiving a II rating. There were many other entries at the contest from the vocal music department including solos and group efforts.

Matt Moorhead and the girls sextet both received I ratings which enabled them to compete in the state contest at Columbia. The members of the sextet were Cindy Cummings, Roberta Barton, Patty Grogan, Toni Robertson, Jodi

Buch, and Liz Mayer. They were accompanied by Monica Townsend who said, "It was a total blast. We had so much fun.'

Mixed chorus may be the singing group without much experience, but listeners couldn't tell that about this year's group. "They worked hard, but they also had a lot of fun," said Mr. Comstock.
Students do not have to audition for mixed chorus as they do for concert choir." Mixed chorus is a class where students sing and have fun doing it," commented Mr. Cockstock.
The spring concert this year combined junior high and senior high students. For a change, the students wore casual clothing instead of uniforms. Refreshments were served to the parents.


Mixed Chorus members: Row 1 Renee Thompson, Jeanie Osbom, Monica Townsend, Jodi Buck, Roberta Barton, Velma Cox. Row 2 - Mary Ann Collins, Debra Lovan, Shelley Miller, Merlyn Collins, Becky Gullion, Angela Wood. Row 3 - Tina Cauldwell, Carol Boss, Stacy McKee, Lori Coulter, Dana Medley, Gail Durnell, Sharry Murdy, Marie Collins. Row 4 - Kelly Martin,

Tammy Tucker, Angi Turnbull, Sheila Pender, Carol Dennis, Annetta Turnbull, Wanda Tumbull. Row 5 - Robin Welch, Liz Mayer, Patricia Worley, Melodie Gaither, Vicky Fulbright, Lisa Goodman, Barb Barton. Row 6 - Dee Ann Brassfield, Brad Holloway, Larry Brown, Joel Wyatt, Scott Cunningham, Eddie Darnell, Doug Collins, Jimmy Daum, Angie Surface.


Patty Grogan and Star Akers are willing to take a break from singing and pose for a picture


Senior concert choir members: Row 1 - Toni Robertson, Tony Johnson, Patty Grogan, Sophia Skinner. Row 2 - Star Akers, Brad Holloway, Monica Townsend, Jim Daum, Roberta Barton.


The girls sextet members who received a I rating at district competition were Liz Mayer, Roberta Barton, Jodi Buch, Monica Townsend (accompanist), Cindy Cummings, and Toni Robertson. Not pictured: Patty Grogan.

## Outstanding year

By Ellen Carlstrom

'Learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live, living to serve" is FFA's club motto, and it fits. "This has been an outstanding year for FFA. The students have all worked really hard and had fun doing it!" said Mr. Moyer.
FFA members attended state competition in Columbia and returned with ratings showing their hard work. All teams participating received exceptional ratings. Mary Nichols said, "This has been the most fun year - more fun than any other year." "I had the most fun participating in state competition," Wendy Klapmeyer said. "I thought we did excellent this year. All the teams we had were really good, and state was a blast."
The greenhand tradition was still alive for FFA initiation this year. The first year students dyed their hands green
and dressed up in nice clothes, while carrying a feedsack around school all day. Along with that heavy load, each person being initiated had to repeat a five paragraph creed to another member. Phillip Coleman's thoughts on the initiation were, "It was the most humiliating experience I've ever been through!" Chad Emmerson said, "It was an experience I'll never forget!"

FFA members participated in countless activities such as the state convention, slave sale, state fair exhibition, National FFA Convention, FFA week newspaper ad, FFA radio program, and a safety program. They participated in various judging contest, also.


FFA members: Row 1 - Doug Collins, Chad Emmerson, Chuck Thompson, Wes Freeman, Phillip Coleman, Eddie Darnell, Jess Adams, Jay Sherrill, Skeeter Hall. Row 2 - Mary Nichols, Jeanie Osborn, Coy Clinton, Steve Sims, Chuck Cauldwell, Bruce Gossard, Brad McKee, Tammy Tucker, Leslie Hays, Wendy Klapmeyer, Nancy Smith. Row 3 - Anna Simon, Star Gray, Russell Johnson, David Brower, Matt Hoyler, David Wheat, Steven Darnell,

Pat Swearingen, Tracy Madden, Wanda Simon, Jimmy Letterman. Row 4 - Kevin Watts, Bruce Collins, Shannah Gray, Chipper Wood, Tanya Gray, Beverly Wake, Eric Clinton, Kenny Cox, Roger Heim, Chris Crudgington, Ross Turnbull, Darren Collins, Bud Kelly, Bobby Jernigen, Arnold Hanson, Larry Brown, Mark Johnson, Aaron Hicks, Dallas Selby, Mark McReynolds, Mike Gossard.


Wendy Klapmeyer and Matt Hoyler receive a meat judging plaque for placing 3rd at districts. The meat judging team consisting of Wendy, Matt, Shannah Gray, and Steve Sims also received a I ranking at state.
Officers: Row 1 - Jay Sherril, reporter; Jess Adams, treasurer; Wendy Klapmeyer, parliamentarian; Mary Nichols, chaplin. Row 2 - Eddie Darnell, vice-president; Skeeter Hall, president; Phillip Coleman, sentinel.


## Reneé reigns

## By Ellen Carlstrom

FFA held its annual Barnwarming festivities Saturday night, November 23, from 7-11 p.m.

Activities included an old fashioned pie supper, with the female members making the pies. Chuck Thompson auctioned the pies off to other FFA members for the highest bid.

The 1985 candidates for Barnwarming Queen were freshman Stacy McKee, sophomore Amber Bryan, junior Shannah Grey, and senior Reneé Thompson.

At the end of the evening, the 1984 Chapter Sweetheart, Wendy Klapmeyer, crowned the new winner, senior Renee Thompson. "I felt very honored that I was chosen to be queen. I was very excited!" said Reneé.

Russ Turnbull, Brad McKee, and Chipper Wood received a I at state for the Livestock Team.

## Interest soars

## By Lisa Collins

FHA, the only in-school student organization with the family as its central focus, had a very active year. FHA advisor, Pinky Gum, was pleased with the activities that the FHA Chapter was involved in this year. The goal of the FHA Chapter is to fulfill the FHA purposes by planning activities which focus on education in the areas of personal growth, family living, work preparation, and community involvement.

There were many activities that the FHA Chapter sponsored throughout the 1985-86 school year and among these was the Bluegrass Festival held during March to benefit the March of Dimes Birth Defects program.

Another big part of the FHA

Chapter's activities was FHA Week held February 9-15. Trivia Day was Monday. Tuesday the FHA members decorated two cakes to be raffled off and given away at a basketball game that evening. Wednesday was the FHA members' taco party held during lunch hour. The annual rose sales and delivery for Valentine's Day was Thursday and Friday.

This was a very active and involved year for the FHA Chapter, and Mrs. Gum summed it up best by saying, "As this has been my second year of teaching at WSHS, I have seen an increase in interest and involvement in FHA. I am looking forward to an even better chapter in the years ahead."


FHA members - Row 1: Libby Batesel, Lorene Taylor, Michelle McCormick, Jennifer Coatney, Carol Dennis, Wendy Gibbons. Row 2: Chrissi Chaney, Missy Fox, Sheila Fulbright, Pinky Gum - adviser, Stacey Ishmael. Row 3:

Shelli Flood, Amy Smith, Lola Batesel, Buffy Whitaker, Cheryl Townsend. Row 4: Roxanne Agee, Kori Nelson, Jamie Watson, Wanda Tumbull, Becky Johnson, Marliyn Hatch. Row 5: Sophia Skinner, Kenny Cox, Michelle Vermillion, Emma Cory, Tibby Gibbons, and Delila Sutton.

A Toilet Toss was sponsored by FHA members at Food and Forrest Day.


Preparing refreshments for a FHA meeting keeps Jennifer Coatney, Tami Riechers, and Michelle McCormick busy.


Preparing FHA "kisses" are Michelle Vermillion, Sheilia Fulbright, and Kenny Cox.
FHA members display their banner for the Region 9 fall meeting.

## Taste of Victory

## By Joseph Jones

With the end of this year it was concluded that the WSHS DECA chapter had had its most successful year ever.

The club, which is based on and teaches the principles of distribution had another record year as far as attendance is concerned, yet it was not only high record attendance that gave this club its noteriety, but also the high spirit of competition that was present among its members. The results of that competition were illustrated in the many awards won by the students in the various competitive areas and levels.

At district competition in Springfield, Willow Springs DECA took home a record number of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards as well as honorable mentions. The winners advanced to competition at
the state level and attended the Missouri Career Development Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks. Again, DECA came home with several awards.
DECA's final taste of victory came during the National Ca reer Development Conference held in Atlanta, Georgia. The Willow Springs chapter, besides having one of the biggest delegations present, won two slots in the finals of the national competition.

When asked to comment on DECA's past year, Chapter President Anita Bartlett said she felt that this year's chapter members really showed their enthusiasm toward learning and experiencing all of the educational atributes that DECA has to offer.

Teresa Fetrow and Debbie Ivins were two of the lucky people who placed in the finals at national competition.



Sherry Clinton proudly displays her much deserved State Honor Award for the Free Enterprise Project.


1985-86 DECA members. Row 1: Michelle Vermillion, Robert Brown, Tami Riechers, Curt Owens, Robert Doneski, Tammy Moss, Sherry Collins, Charlotte Haddock, Kelly Martin, Lori Davis, Tori Adams, Jamie Ogle, Angie Due, Lisa Brown, and Brenda Busbey. Row 2: Russ Cauldwell, Bruce Collins, David McCormick, Shane Cook, Mark Brooks, Mike Tooley, Rich Thompson, Tim Aldridge, Jeff Brasier,

Gary Stolba, Todd McCallister, and David Bradford. Row 3: Nathan Lessoff, Joe Jones, and Diane Golubski. Row 4; Jerry Green, Skeeter Hall, Lori Green, Cindy Bittick, Diane Stubbs, Star Akers, Mary Stolba, Bev Warren, Karlene Cook, Ray Wood, Ken Sevor, Craig Emmerson, Jim Taylor, Debbie Ivins, Teresa Fetrow, Deana Jones, Renee Thompson, Jennifer Coatney, and Kristen Hood.

District winners. Row 1: Joe Jones, Deana Jones, Carol Carron, Anita Bartlett, Sherry Collins, Teresa Fetrow, Star Akers, Amy Smith, and

Robert Doneski. Row 2: Mary Stolba, Green, and Mike Tooley. Diane Golubski, Dean Welton, Debbie Ivins, Sherry Clinton, Mike Gooch, Karlene Cook, Jim Taylor, Jerry



1985-86 DECA officers: Dean Welton, parliamentarian; Mike Gooch, treasurer; Debbie Ivins, vice-president; Jeff Brasier, chaplin; Anita Bartlett, president; Renee Thompson, secretary; and Joe Jones, reporter.


National participants. Row 1: Teresa Fetrow, Debbie Ivins, Sherry Clinton, Amy Smith, and Joe Jones. Row 2: Deana Jones, Mike Gooch, Jim Taylor, Star Akers, and Denise Bartlett.

## Especially Espanol

## By Stephanie Carroll

¡Hola amigo! Stroll into Miss Adams' room during a Spanish Club meeting, and you are likely to be greeted in this friendly manner. Learning a second language is an interest shared by most Spanish Club members, and they are eager to share their enthusiasm.
"I find being able to speak a foreign language not only interesting, but fun," said Michele Feagans, president and member for two years. "Our club does a lot of exciting things, and I really enjoy being president.'
One of the most memorable Spanish Club events is the annual Halloween party. This year, members came in full costume to feast on a host of treats among the ghoulish decorations. Highlights of the evening included the antics of Robert "Spanish Man" Doneski and Miss Adams' punk hairdo.
Another is the annual Christmas party. Members gathered for cookies and punch, fol-
lowed by the ever popular sing-along of Spanish Christmas carols.

Eating seems to be a definite favorite of the Spanish Club, and this is demonstrated every year with a lunch-time "field trip" to El Imperial, a Mexican restaurant in Cabool.
A final event of the year occurs as members attend a Spanish-English play at Kickapoo High School in Springfield. "Mananas de Abril Y Mayo" was presented this year, and followed by yet another spicy Spanish meal at the Mexican Villa restaurant.

The Spanish Club is one of the largest and most entertaining clubs that WSHS has to offer. Miss Adams summed it up best by commenting, "This has been a very productive year for the Spanish Club. I was especially proud of our cookbook project. All in all, I'd say the students are a really terrific group.'


Spanish Club - Row 1: Jerry Green, Don Wheat, David Theisen, David Collins, Shelley Miller, Chuck Cauldwell, Jen Fris, Anthony Pettit. Row 2: Marsha Asberry, Mary Ann Collins, Kim Clinton, Tammy Weaver, Marjorie Woodard, Anna Simon, Nancy Smith, Dawn Justice, Michele Feagans, Monica Townsend, Stephanie Carroll, Diane Golubski, Jill Emmerson. Row 3: Emma Cory, Velma Cox, Carol Dennis, Joel Wyatt, Jamie Watson, Roberta Barton, Angie Williams, Miss Adams. Row 4: David McCormick, Libby Batesel, Jim Taylor, Sophia Skinner, Bryan Bevel, Eric Zorn, Tonya Dick, Bill Joslin, Brad Stolba, Kayla Smith, Vicki Justice, Jim Berkshire. Row 5: Randy Collins, Allen Burgess, Chris Swatosh, Robert Go:don, Robert Doneski, Ivan Smith, Mary Nichols, Lori Green, Rachel Nichols, Sherry Collins, Brian Roberts, Brent Lovelace, John George.



Locked in combat, juniors Robert "Spanish Man" Doneski and Jerry Green engage in a test of strength as junior Kurt Owens referees.
"Uno, dos tres!" shout Spanish II students while senior Diane Golubski swings waywardly at the heart-shaped piñata.
Spanish Club officers: Jerry Green, historian; Dawn Justice, secretary; Sherry Clinton, vice-president; Michele Feagans, president.

## Beta beautifies

By Michele Feagans

Some believe that today's schools put too much emphasis on sports and not enough on academics and that an honor society is a program every school should have. Our own Beta Club is an honor society and is one of the largest clubs in WSHS.

Beta Club is a very appropriate name for this group since beta is the second letter of the Greek alphabet, equivelent to our letter $B$. This is the letter grade that most of the club members make since one of the strict requirements is to be average or above in studies. Another requirement necessary for prospective members is to have completed Biology I and Algebra I courses.

Every year the Beta sponsor, Mr. Maurath, chooses a "review board." These students, usually officers, review future members to see if they fulfill requirements. Those who do are initiated and after initiation must say in unison
the Beta motto, a quite lengthy speech on human virtue.
Not only can Beta Club boast of stricter requirements than most other clubs, but it is also wellknown for its "Ghost Insurance." This insurance is sold to shops in Willow shortly before Halloween and provides them, for a minimal fee, a window cleaning service the day after Halloween. All Beta members chip in scrubbing off the "ghost" traces from the night before.

A certain rapport can be felt among Beta members. Most of them share the higher classes together and all know what it's like to study hard. As Deana Jones, a senior member, admits,
"Studying hard takes away from my own personal things, but it's worth it in the end.


Row 1: Kevin Lowe, Jen Fris, Dawn Justice, Jacki McGlynn, Beth Pollard, Ellen Carlstrom. Row 2: Matt Gregory, David Theisen, Bruce Dionne, Kelly Langdon, Amber Bryan, Wanda Turnbull. Row 3: Lee Turpin, Derek Carlson, Tawnya Cox, Buffy Whitaker, Chantele Lewis, Chrissi Chaney. Row 4: Mr. Maurath, Gary Devere, DeWayne Graves. Row 5: Terry McCallister, Jim

Combs, Todd McCallister, Deana Jones, Michele Feagans, Stephanie Carroll. Row 6: Oscar Ferguson, Rachel Nichols, Sophia Skinner, Sherry Collins, Missy Turner. Not Pictured: Mike Gooch, Anita Bartlett, Cindy Cummings, Denise Bartlett, Doug Summers, Joseph Jones, Teresa Fetrow, Toni Robertson, Jerry Glisson.

There's more than one way to clean a window demonstrates Tawnya Cox, Jerry Glisson, Doug Summers, and Chrissi Chaney as they live up to the terms of "Ghost Insurance.

Beta Officers: president, Cindy Cum mings; treasurer, Missy Turner; secre tary, Michele Feagans; vice-president, Mike Gooch.


Quill \& Scroll Officers: Missy Turner, secretary; Deana Jones, president; Debbie Ivins, vice-president.

Robert Gordon, Deana Jones, and Missy Turner show that journalism students will crowd into the strangest places to get their assignments finished.
"I'm almost finished," thinks Lisa Collins as she peeks at her yearbook layout.

Row 1: Joseph Jones, Michele Feagans, Missy Turner, Deana Jones, Debbie Ivins, Anita Bartlett, Robert Gordon. Row 2: Lisa Collins, Angie

Baker, Kelly Webb, Sophia Skinner Stephanie Carroll, publications adviser Mrs. Emmerson.


# J-II geniuses 

## By Michele Feagans

As every Journalism II student can attest, working on any school publication is a tedious and responsible job. Compiling a yearbook or newspaper takes time, talent, and patience. Quill and Scroll is one club consisting of students who are willing to strive harder for quality results in the journalism department. "We labor day after day to provide our school with excellent publications," said Angie Baker, club member.

Quill and Scroll entails strict membership requirements. According to the club constitution, members must be juniors
or seniors in the upper third of their class, have previously completed work on a school publication, and must be recommended by their advisor. All Quill and Scroll members meet or exceed these requirements and are proud of the work they have accomplished.

Quill and Scroll members must be responsible, talented, and above all, willing to withstand hours of hard work. But their devotion and dedication to the journalism department enables the production of fine publications year after year.

## Art winners

Acrylics
4th Scott Tryon Black \& White Design -

| 1st | Oscar Ferguson |
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| 2nd | Oscar Ferguson |
| Cartoons |  |
| 4th | Nathan Lessoff |
| Charcoal |  |
| 2nd | Damon Force |
| 3rd | Jacki McGlynn |
| Colored Pencil |  |
| 1st | Missy Turner |
| 4th | Jacki McGlynn |
| Miscellaneous Sculpture |  |
| 1st | Nathan Lessoff |
| 2nd | Earl Hansen |
| Mobiles |  |
| 1st | John Rakestraw |
| H. M. | Missy Turner |
| Oils |  |
| 1st | Scott Tryon |
| Pencil Portraits |  |
| 3rd | Missy Turner |
| Pencil Still Life |  |
| H. M. | Kenneth Burgess |

Art Club: Row 1 - Kelly Martin, Tammy Collins, Jacki McGlynn, and Lisa Herring. Row 2 - Kurt Owens, Kevin Walker, Luis Pẽna, John Rakestraw, Cindy Bittick, and Robert Doneski.

Row 3 - Mrs. Jane Carroll, Missy Turner, Tracy Hickerson, Jody Elliot, Nathan Lessoff, Vicki Justice, Jeff Taylor, and Oscar Ferguson.

## St. Louis bound

## By Missy Turner

Competing in the Alpha Rho Tau Art Show and going on a field trip to St. Louis were two of the highlights of the art club this year. Sponsored by Mrs. Carroll and Ms. Boyer, the club was involved in several activities throughout the year.

Changing art teachers in the middle of the year seemed to have a positive effect on the students. With a larger variety of artwork submitted in the Alpha Rho Tau District Art Show, the art club members managed to walk away with a total of 15 ribbons. "I would say the results were excellent considering this was the best Willow Springs has ever done in all the years we have entered," stated President Oscar Ferguson. The entries gave Willow a 6th place out of the 13 schools entered.

Painting the windows of local businesses at Christmas was the main fund raiser of the club. They also collected club dues from each member in order to gain money for the trip.

Later in the year, the club traveled to St. Louis where they visited the St. Louis Art Museum, the Botanical Gardens, and the Gateway Arch.
"This year's activities have made people appreciate the variety of art styles used. We also realized how art has played an important role down through history and how it will play an even more important role in the future," said Oscar.


Officers: Jacki McGlynn; treasurer; Oscar Ferguson, president; and Tracy Hickerson, secretary. Not pictured is Carol Carron, vice-president.

Visiting the Botanical Gardens in St. Louis is sophomore Lisa Herring.

Taking care to sand down any rough spots is junior Kori Nelson. With this kind of concentration, the club managed to do very well at both contests.

Industrial Arts officers: Jim Combs, secretary; Gary Stolba, vicepresident; Andy Roberts, president; and Jim Taylor, reporter. Not pictured is Mike Gooch, treasurer.


## Barely edged out

## By Missy Turner

1986 wound up being a very successful year for the Industrial Arts club. Fine showings in both the SCA and district competition highlighted their activities. Several members of the club attended both the SCA and district contests. "Those who participated made a great showing, and a lot is due to our outstanding instructor, Mr. Beltz," remarked senior Andy Roberts, club president.

At the SCA contest, 12 high school students received I ratings in various catagories. Combined with the junior high, Willow Springs came away with a total of 15 I ratings. Four students' projects also were proclaimed best in show: Cheryl Cauldwell, drafting; Joe Jones, drafting runner-up; Mike O'Vivion, woodwork; and Andy Roberts, metals.

Showing extremely well at districts gave the students a
total of 16 I ratings, 13 from high school entries. This large number of I ratings brought the club members to the verge of being named district winners, but they were edged out by a single rating. "The only other school in southwest Missouri to beat us was Winona, who received 17 I ratings," said club sponsor, Joe Beltz.

The Industrial Arts Club was also involved in numerous activities outside of competition. Getting together at the bowling alley seemed to be something the club members did repeatedly throughout the year in order to try their hand at defeating their club sponsor. They also generously contributed \$200 to a memorial scholarship fund.

Through hard work and cooperation, the Industrial Arts Club proved itself a worthwhile organization.


Industrial Arts Club: Row 1 - Rick Vaughn, Kori Melson, Shelli Flood, Lisa Brown, Brad McKee, David Bradford, and Jim Taylor. Row 2 - Kevin Watts, Gary Stolba, Todd McCallister, Dallas Selby, Shane Cook, Chuck

Rader, Kenneth Burgess, and Berry Norris. Row 3 - Russell Johnson, Chuck Thompson, Michelle Vermillion, Jim Combs, Kelly Webb, Rich Thompson, Andy Roberts, Paul Quinn, and Joe Beltz.

## Industrial Arts winners

SCA I ratings
Cynthia Bradley Lisa Brown Kenneth Burgess Stephanie Carroll Cheryl Cauldwell* Deana Jones Joe Jones* Brad McKee Mark McReynolds Mike O'Vivion* Andy Roberts* Rodney Wiles *Best in show

District I ratings
Lisa Brown Kenneth Burgess Stephanie Carroll Cheryl Cauldwell Jerry Glisson Mike Gooch Deana Jones Joe Jones Brad McKee Mark McReynolds Mike O'Vivion Paul Quinn Rodney Wiles

# Active year is fun 

This year's Lettermen officers were Doug Summers, secretary; Dean Welton, vice-president; and Andy Roberts, president.

By Ellen Carlstrom

This year's Lettermen and Lady Lettermen had a very active year. They are two of the biggest and most outgoing clubs at WSHS.

They showed their Christmas spirit by caroling around local neighborhoods. Then in January, several members attended an AAU Track Meet in Lawrence, Kansas. "It was a lot of fun; but there was a lot of good competition, and I felt I did the best I could," said Wendy Gibbons.

Coach Caldwell was really pleased with the experience at the track meet. "Most kids would never get to experience that. It was a great experience for me as well as the kids," she
said.
Both clubs showed their generosity by donating $\$ 50.00$ to Toys for Tots. They also bought ribbons for pee-wee basketball and rewards for the workers. If any member needed special equipment, the Lady Lettermen tried to help with the expenses. The Lettermen Club donated money for medical expenses to a West Plains student.
Lettermen and Lady Lettermen enjoyed taking trips. The Lettermen went to Six Flags in May, and both clubs took their annual float trip at the end of the year.


1985-86 Lettermen - Row 1: Bill Joslin, Craig Emmerson, Jay Sherrill, Chad Emmerson, Raymond Eding, John Martin, Bill Davis, Robert Brown. Row 2: Jim Combs, Eddie Darnell, Jim Taylor, Eddie Sheets, Andy Roberts, Rich Thompson, Damon Force, Marion Roark, Kevin Lowe, Jerry Glisson. Row 3: Chris Cash, Eric Zorn, Craig Caldwell, Jeff Casper, Rick Vaughn, Wes Freeman, Kenny Cox, Roger

Heim, Chris Mackey, Jimmy Daum. Row 4: Tony Johnson, Joel Wyatt, DeWayne Graves, Shane Simmons, Kent Traver, Shawn Altermatt, George Myers. Doug Summers, Bryan Bevel, Rodney Wiles.


At the annual bonfire, several members prepare to jump over the fire.

Lady Lettermen for the 1985-86 year - Row 1: Anna Johnson, Lisa Collins, Michelle Vermillion, Kelly Webb, Tawnya Cox, Mary Cauldwell, Chrissi Chaney, Buffy Whitaker, Jackie Pen-
der, Chantele Lewis. Row 2: Missy Dick, Kristen Hood, Glenda Bryan, Dick, Angie Baker, Tammy Hoisington, Donna Conner, Michele Feagans, Kori Missy Turner, Jamie Watson, Jeanie Nelson, Susan Carroll, Wendy GibOsborn, Beth Pollard, Jill Emmerson, bons. Elizabeth Deatherage. Row 3: Tonya



Lady Lettermen officers - Michele Feagans, vice-president; Missy Dick secretary; Jeanie Osbom, president.


Missy Turner and Kori Nelson are ready to ride in the Homecoming Parade.

Junior Lady Lettermen say, "Hey, we're cool!!!'

## Chess Clutb

## Chess Club scores big

By Lisa Collins

There is always a club in every school with hidden talents, and WSHS is no exception. The club that is just now beginning to show its stuff here at WSHS is the Chess Club.

Many of you may wonder how one can understand chess. It's very simple really. In chess competition, a team score is computed by adding the scores of the top player in each board from one school. A team scores a point for each game it wins, one half point for each draw and no points for a loss.

Earlier in the year, the Chess Club traveled to the University of Missouri at Columbia to compete in the Missouri State High School Chess Championships. Willow captured fifth
place overall by scoring 11 points out of a possible 16.
"I'm really happy for the kids," said Chess Club sponsor Jerry Dunn. "They have worked hard practicing every day and improved their game immensely. This year it finally paid off.'

Like any team, the members of the Chess Club practice regularly. The members practice before school and at noon. Every once in awhile, they will stay after school or come in some evening.

Chess is a very skilled game and much credit is due to the Chess Club members at WSHS for representing our school so well.


Chess Club members: Seated - Gary Devere, Stanley Lake, Darren Daniels, Terry McCallister, Shawn Coleman, Joey Salerno, Lee Turpin, Philip Coleman. Standing - Tony Johnson, Mi-
chael Means, Kevin Watts, Mike Thiesen, Dan Azevedo, Mark Johnson, Pat Swearengin, Scott Gossard.


Gary Devere gives it much thought as Dan Azevedo does his own thing.
Award Winners: Row 1 - Gary Devere, Stanley Lake, and Scott Gossard. Row 2 - Michael Means, Tony Johnson, Lee Turpin, and Terry McCallister.


Mr. Beltz appears undecided about whether or not to eat some of the food prepared by the campers.


## Camping out with bows



The Archery Club members appear refreshed and ready for another outing in the wildemess.
David Ivins is practicing so he will be a skilled hunter when large game appears.
ping at campouts. They are now comtemplating getting together and "roughing it" on the river for a weekend, doing absolutely nothing, but floating, being lazy, and of course, shooting their bows.

When asked his opinion of the campouts, Joe Beltz, sponsor, replied, "Campouts are roughing it. That's why I brought my trailer. Campouts forever!'

Bruce Gossard, member, said, "For people who love the outdoors, the archery club is just the thing. The activities involved with the club are really fun.

## By Lisa Collins

spent the weekend having fun and fishing.
The members are not stop-

Ready for a little fun? Grab a bow and a few arrows and join the many who have already joined the Bullseye Bow Benders Archery Club here at WSHS.

The archery club, which was started about two years ago by students who just wanted to shoot and have fun, has members involved from third grade to middle aged adults.

One particular event that archery club members have participated in for the last two years is camping out. The last campout included 23 kids and two adults. The members just

## A job well done

## By Debbie Ivins

The 1986 typing teams were met with considerably more competition this year than in previous years. Thirty-one schools participated and the Willow Springs team did an excellent job in presenting their typing skills.

The advanced production team captured 2nd place, as did the open speed/accuracy team. Individual awards were awarded to Terry McCallister for his bronze medal in advanced speed and 4th place in advanced production and to Kristen Hood who received a silver medal in advanced production and 4 th place in advanced speed.


Second place team in advanced production: Cheryl Townsend, Terry McCallister, and Kristen Hood.



## Trig team places 3rd

## By Debbie Ivins

The 4th annual Pummill Relays were held on April 3rd at the SMSU Campus in Springfield.

Placing 3rd in the trigonometry division was the team consisting of Mike Gooch, Oscar Ferguson, Paul Quinn and Todd McCallister.

These relays give the students a chance to compete against other schools in such categories as Algebra I and II, geometry, calculus, and word problems.

Twenty-six students from Willow Springs attended along with Mr. Maurath. Each did well and gained valuable competitive experience.

Given special recognition is the computer team who in their competition in the fall did very well. This team included Philip Coleman, Gary DeVere, Mike Gooch, and Oscar Ferguson.


Computer team: Gary DeVere, Philip Coleman, Mike Gooch, and Oscar Ferguson.

Students attending math relays: Row 1: Stacy McKee, Jacki McGlynn, Nancy Smith. Row 2: Gary DeVere, Velma Cox, Nichole Force. Row 3: Kevin Lowe, Joseph Jones, Amber Bryan, Chrissi Chaney. Row 4: Tawnya Cox, David Theisen, Rachel Nichols, Lee

Turpin. Row 5: Mike Theisen, Oscar Ferguson, Jamie Rodgers. Row 6: Mike Gooch, Doug Summers, DeWayne Graves. Not pictured: Carol Boss, Todd McCallister, Paul Quinn, Randy Collins, Chris Cash.


Programming computers is one of sophomore Denise Bartlett's favorite pastimes.

School Board Pres. Bob Woodring, Vice-Pres. Van Tumer, Donna Graves, Wilma Leach, Jim Girdley, Dennis

Coulter, Mr. Cummings, Superintendent T. L. Holder, Principal Denzil Caldwell, and Counselor Jerry Dunn.

## Dr. Smith retires

By Missy Turner

Keeping the school running smoothly throughout the year is a task taken on by the six members of our school board. These members confront problems, listen to complaints, and make decisions repeatedly because of their concern for our school.

The decisions of the school board affect the students and the community alike. Two of the decisions made this year were the adoption of the discipline code and the bond issue proposal. The board voted at the beginning of the year to accept the discipline code. The code introduced new policies and stricter enforcement of school rules. The other major decision which not only affected the students but also the community was the bond issue. The bond issue was the
proposal of constructing a new school library for the middle school and high school combined. This would enable the building of much needed class rooms in the old libraries of each building. However, the issue failed by one vote.
After 21 years of leading in making such decisions, the school board president, Dr. C. Franklin Smith, announced his retirement. At a banquet in his honor, he was awarded a plaque from the school for his 21 years on the board and his many years as president. This award was presented to him by Superintendent T. L. Holder.
Board member Bob Woodring was then voted to replace Dr. Smith as president, and Jim Girdley was elected as the new member to the board.


Dr. Smith receives an award for his service on the school board.
School Board members: Bob Woodring, Pres. Dr. Smith, Vice-Pres. Van Tumer, Dennis Coulter, Wilma Leach, and Donna Graves.

# Behind the scenes: Administration 

By Debbie Ivins

The old adage says, "Give credit where credit is due," and it is easy to disregard those who work so hard to make this school system run smoothly. Credit should definitely be given to them.

Besides being chief executive officer and chief budget officer of the board of education, Superintendent T. L. Holder is directly or indirectly responsible for everything that occurs in the Willow Springs School System.

Every year poses different problems that need to be overcome. Mr. Holder feels that finances are the major obstacle this year. This factor, more than anything else, inhibits the quality of education.

High School Principal Denzil Caldwell believes that the closeness of the students and the community make Willow Springs High School a special place.

As for changes in the school over the past four years he has
been principal, Mr. Caldwell said that the students have become more mobile.
As counselor, Mr. Dunn deals mainly with making a master schedule, scheduling students, giving standardized tests, working with seniors and counseling students on various other subjects.

Secretaries also play an important part in our school's administration.

Sharon Phares, the superintendent's secretary, is also secretary to the board and in charge of all ordering.

Sharon Wiles, the high school secretary, is in charge of absentees, posting records, and recording grades.

Sallie White is the district bookkeeper.

All the duties described above are only part of the busy lives of our administration, those who work behind the scenes for our education.



Late Friday afternoon, Mr. Caldwell
relaxes while planning his weekend
fishing trip.


Sharon Adams Spanish I-IV English IV Composition


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"Why of course we are going to take notes today," says Mr. Majors with a mischievous grin.

"Muy bien, clase" Ms. Adams praises her Español I students.


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Refreshed by his drink, Mr. Niesen appears ready to grade papers.
"I wonder if you are all ready for this test?" thinks Mr. Maurath.

# Time flies when you're having fun 

By Michele Feagans

Many students consider any time before McDonald's and MTV to be the "Stone Ages". People who lived in those bygone times couldn't possibly have had the same problems or strived for the same goals as students of today. Not so claim five former students. What makes their opinions so valuable? These five graduates went on to teach at the same school they attended during their teenage years Willow Springs High.

Homer Bennett, Joe Beltz, Karen Foster, Willard Wagner and Lexie Bowling all shared the same goal throughout high school - to attend college and become teachers. In fact, they believe that students' goals remain basically the same now, despite the generation gap. "'Students are on just about the same maturity level as we were in high school," said Mrs. Foster.

Just as today, a strong emphasis was placed on extra curricular activities.

Mrs. Bowling, class of '77, was an exceptional athlete, participating in volleyball, basketball and track. Mrs. Foster was a cheerleader, member of
the student council, and yearbook staff. Mr. Beltz, class of '68, played basketball and football. Mr. Bennet, a 1967 graduate, was active in the school play and Art Club, while Mr. Wagner enjoyed band and the Future Teachers of America.
Many subtle differences exist between the WSHS of today and yesterday. "When I was in high school, we had opencampus lunch hour. Everyone piled into their cars and drove down to Tandy's, the local hangout," Mr. Wagner remembers. Mr. Beltz finds it hard to believe how young today's teachers are. "When I was in high school, four or five of my teachers also had taught my dad," he said.

An old saying contends, "The more things change, the more they stay the same." The teens of yesterday have matured into the adults of today, returned to their alma mater, and started a new cycle of growth and change through teaching. The fast-food, fastcar, MTV teens of the ' 80 's will surely benefit from their experience and knowledge.


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Karen Foster Class of ' 69



Willard Wagner Class of ' 70

Left to right - Dorcus Cunningham, Betty Laden, Karolyn Due, Judy Thorton, Sonja Wheat, Marlys Stuart. Not
pictured - Debbie Cambell and Helen Cox.

Stirring up something good is easy for Mrs. Thornton.

Mrs. Wheat seems to enjoy cooking french fries for the many students.

tant role for the rest of the cafeteria crew. The responsibilities of meat dishes are shared by Judy Thornton and Karolyn Due. They also prepare and serve. Dorcus Cunningham and Maryls Stuart handle desserts and breads. Sonia Wheat is in charge of produce. Debbie Campbell works solo in the snack bar, cooking and serving all dishes.

All the cooks agree that without each other, nothing would be accomplished. ' 'You have to be efficient, take pride in your work, but most of all, you need teamwork," Judy Thornton concluded.

At 7:00 every morning, eight women arrive at the school cafeteria ready to feed most of the students in the school. Actual serving begins at 11:00, but they have much to do before then. Washing dishes, cleaning up, examining every salt and pepper shaker, and checking tomorrow's menu must be completed before they leave.
Betty Laden, supervisor, has worked in the cafeteria for 21 years. She is responsible for all the planning, buying, and paperwork that pertains to the cafeteria.
Teamwork plays an impor-

## Teamwork displayed by devoted cooks

By Amy Smith



Bus Drivers: Row 1: Sidney Pringle, Bill Myers, John Miller, Jim Pulley, and Joe Beltz. Row 2: Don Tumer, Phil Carroll, Waldo Heath, Tom Burk, Clarence Chritton, Calvin Gregory, James Chaney, Bob Kueber, Orval McClellan, and Chester Chambers. Not Pictured: Bob Chaney, Sue Coleman, Bob Dobyns, Don Grant, and Hubert Roark.

Janitors: Russell Delashmit, Gene Glisson, David McCormick, Harold Thompson, Gerald Rinehart, and James C. Brower. These custodians are not pictured.


Mr. Delashmit prepares for another hard day's work.
Bob Chaney awaits the arrival of the

## Bullet Bob Chaney, veteran bus driver

## By Anita Bartlett

Another school day rolls around, and you are once again late. The bus is going to be stopping to pick you up any minute. What are you to do? Well, there is no need to worry if you have a bus driver like "Bullet" Bob Chaney, because chances are that he will wait for you. You may have to finish getting ready on the bus, but you can't have everything!

Bob Chaney has been driving busses at Willow Springs High School for fourteen years. During these years, he has been involved in many school activities which include driving to sporting events, band trips, and field trips.

Bob really enjoys driving a school bus. He likes the students and has good relationships with most of them. 'I get along with the kids very well, some of them I've known all their school years. Although a few of the students have to try you out to see how far they can go, discipline generally straightens them out," he said.

The thing Bob dislikes about driving a bus is having to drive on the snow and ice. This may be a major dislike to him, but as he likes to say, "Rain or shine I plan to drive at Willow Springs until I retire.'

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