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As the school year progressed, seniors and underclassmen alike eagerly anticipated summer vacation. However, before they knew it, summer vacation did arrive and they began to miss all of those activities that they had

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wanted to end. The ball games, classes, dances, and assemblies were a thing of the past. Nothing remained except the memories. This edition of the *Trojan* allows people to take *One Last Look* at all of the good (and not so good) things that happened during the school year.

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*Senior Robbie Bratchett uses two magnifying glasses to take a really close look and focus on all of the events of the year.*

*Mr. Burke takes a look at the action in the halls shown on the security camera monitor set up in his office.*



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## Student Life

Looking back at special activities and daily routines, students remember the times that made this year memorable.

Whether it was dressing up in wild costumes for spirit days and dancing at the Snowflake Ball or performing in the *The King and I* and dressing in formal outfits for the Prom or just having fun with friends, students made lasting memories. Take *one last look* at the events that made this year unique.

### *Just Look at Us Now*



Jimmy Gambill, Michele Kendle and Candy Price dress up for ner Day.

Micah Smith and Jennifer Nicholson dance to Coolio's "1-2-3-4-Sumpin' New" at the Prom.







*Freshman Talitha Malone searches for her costume for the musical. Talitha played the role of Eva, a ballet dancer.*

*Senior Derek Hegarty decorates for the Snowflake Ball and adjusts the white plastic sheeting that served as a backdrop for the winter scene decorations. Yearbook staff members worked for two days turning the Girls' Gym into a holiday fantasy.*

Enthusiastic fans show that the football team is #1 in their hearts. Members of every class come together to support the team.

Rissie Strayer and Charlotte Risby show school spirit at the South Point soccer game. They were faithful supporters of the soccer team throughout the season.



JV and Varsity cheerleaders Ginger Aldridge, Talitha Malone, Jessica Cooper, Leslie Pendleton, and Jennifer Mitchell dance down Jackson Street during the River Days' Parade. The cheerleaders performed "Summer Mix '95", a routine they learned at camp.

Junior Chris Vetter supports Hawaiian Night by wearing a coconut bra. Athletes-in-Action sponsored the event for the Homecoming basketball game against the Ironton Tigers.



Sophomores Amy Battle, Krista Duckett, Emily Wheeler, Heidi Huddleston and Tammy Thomas demonstrate disco moves. They showed spirit by dressing up for Disco Day.



# Staying Loyal

## School Spirit

**S**pirit showed itself frequently throughout the halls of PHS. Changing sports seasons were tracked by looking at signs that Pep Club members hung in the halls. Student Council members sponsored Spirit Week for both homecomings in which many students participated. For the second year in a row PHS students won the annual canned food drive against arch-rival Wheelersburg, which took place during football season. 1016 lbs. of cans were collected by PHS students, outweighing 187 lbs. by the Pirates. Even though crowd support was often small, there was a solid core of faithful followers who showed up at most events.



*Homecoming candidates and fans alike come together to show support for the boys' basketball team during pre-game warm-ups. Some students found their attire for Hawaiian night at home, while others shopped at used clothing stores.*

*Senior Kathy Mingus shows school spirit as she claps along with the Pep Band at the Homecoming game. Despite the overcast, wintry weather, Kathy supported Hawaiian Night by wearing a tropical shirt, sun glasses and a lei.*

# Parading Proudly

River Days 1995

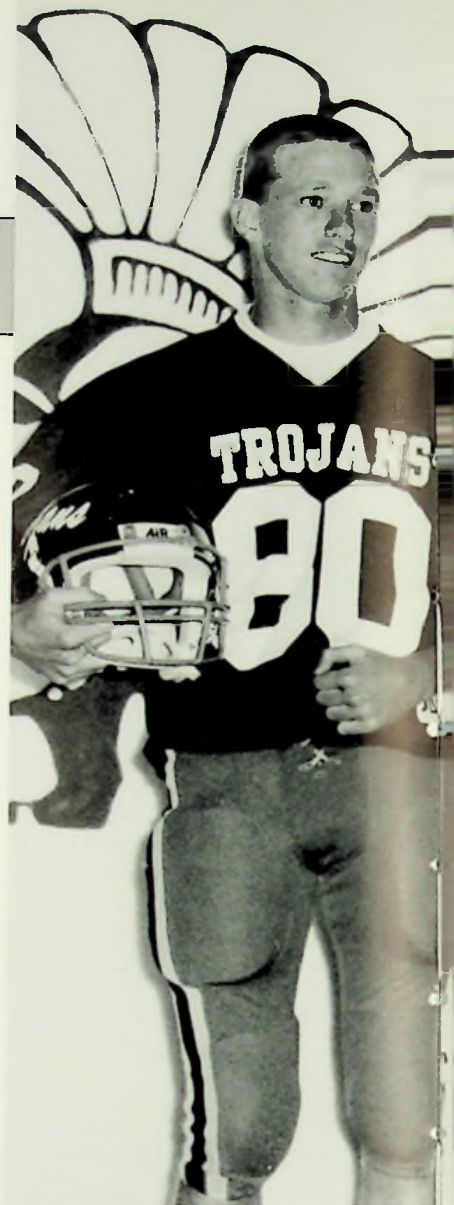
**B**efore school was dismissed for the summer, Kristi Smith was chosen to represent PHS in the 32nd annual Miss River Days Pageant. Being selected was the first step in a process that soon began to fill Kristi's days. Kristi said, "I had no idea about what was in store for me. It took lots of work - lots of money - lots of time!" Kristi raised over \$1,000 to pay for a parade float. With

the River Days' theme being "Portsmouth: City of Rhythm," Kristi put her own spin on it with a float entitled "Swinging to the Rhythm." The part that Kristi disliked the most was appearing in front of crowds at pre-pageant activities. However, even these experiences proved to be beneficial. Kristi said, "I gained much confidence. Now I can speak in front of crowds with ease."



*Kristi waits for the annual River Days Parade to begin. Her float, entitled "Swinging to the Rhythm," was dedicated to the Portsmouth Explorers baseball team.*

*Kristi and the other contestants perform a dance routine for the crowd at the pageant. Instructors from Tammy Jo's Dance Studio were responsible for the routine.*



*As the pageant opens, Kristi, dressed in a royal blue suit, stands in front of the Trojan backdrop with escort Derek Hegarty. All contestants picked escorts from their schools that were varsity athletes.*

*Dressed in a pink chiffon evening gown, Kristi advises the audience not to be afraid to journey to their dreams. Kristi ends with a quote from Eleanor Roosevelt: "The future belongs to those who believe."*



*Ann, Ali, Brooke, Lora Beth, Lynnsey, Tessa, and Tiffany give words of encouragement to Kristi before the parade.*

*Kristi models sportswear for the judges. Her nautical outfit, consisted of a red jacket, black skorts, and a sailor hat.*

# Petting Zoo

## People and Their Pets

**F**rom horses and dogs to hedgehogs and iguanas, people at PHS run the gamut with pet choices. Many people get very attached to their pets. "I wouldn't trade our iguana for anything," said Josh Bratchett, with his brother Robbie agreeing. Often humanizing touches come with pet ownership. Mrs. Liles said of her cairn terrier, "Scooby gets

a birthday card every year from Mighty Dog for a free can of food!" Some people are very creative with pet names like Brian Hicks and his hedgehog Sonic, named after the cartoon character. Whether for companionship or protection or for sporting events like hunting, pet ownership is very prevalent in the Trojan community.



*Senior Audra Popovich shows that a dog can be a woman's best friend, too, as she affectionately plays with her dog Murphy.*

*Sophomore Brooke Pratt dresses up her dog Rascal for a night on the town. Now, having owned Rascal for years, the Pratts think of Rascal as part of the family.*





*Brother and sister Dale and Ann King get in touch with their playful sides as they cuddle up with their new kitten. They were caring enough to give this stray creature a new home and a new name, Kitty.*

*Senior Sarah Smith enjoys a refreshing beverage after a workout with her horse. Sarah has been training and showing horses for many years.*



# Raining Buckets

## Football Homecoming

A steady rain fell throughout the evening. As the first candidate walked onto the field, that steady rain turned into a downpour. Umbrellas dotted the sidelines as nervous candidates anxiously waited to hear the winners' names. Disappointment because of the bad weather quickly was forgot-

ten as the winners happily received their sashes and bouquets. Black and silver balloons and streamers decorated the Girls' Gym for the dance held in honor of the queen and her court. 130 students entered the gym through a balloon arch and danced to the music that was provided by Phil Malone on Friday, October 13.



*The members of Homecoming 1995 are Bethany Grant, Tia Hairston, Kristi Smith, Erica Herrmann, and Emily Newman. Escorts are Russell Robinson, Antoine Moore, Ryan Livingston, Keith Charles, and Chris Vetter.*

*The black backdrop decorated with silver stars provides a festive setting for Homecoming '95. Quiana Froe, Kyan Parker, and Kisha Poore show off their dance moves in the Girls' Gym.*







*In the absence of last year's Homecoming Queen Leslie Rodeheffer, Mr. Walker crowns Kristi Smith 1995 Homecoming Queen. Kristi's escort, Ryan Livingston, waits on the sidelines to congratulate her.*

*As the rain continues to fall, Keith Charles escorts Erica Herrmann across the field while waiting for the announcer to tell the names of the winners. Erica said, "I felt very nervous and excited."*



*The excitement of Homecoming 1995 begins as the dance gets under way in the Girls' Gym. Kelly Austin, Shane Walter and Ryan Livingston wait for the music to start.*



*Tia Hairston waits excitedly on the sidelines after having her name announced as the sophomore attendant. Tia remarked, "I was very happy and honored to be chosen as the sophomore attendant."*

*The Homecoming Dance is in full swing! Junior Amanda Hardin and Marisol Sanchez, junior exchange student from Spain, stop dancing for a few moments to flash big smiles for the camera.*



*"I can't believe you didn't even wear a tie!" Derek Hegarty jokingly comments on Heath Glass's casual apparel. Derek opted for a more conservative look.*



*Ali Lacy, Tiffany Hickman, and L.B. Daniels put finishing touches on the walls. L.B. said, "No one wanted to get up early to decorate, but it turned out great."*



*Kerri Elliott takes a break from dancing to get refreshments. "It just wouldn't be the same without MacDonald's orange drink," Kerri says with a smile.*



## Top 5 Reasons to Attend the Snowflake Ball

*5. I'm on the yearbook staff and I had to attend. - Robbie Bratchett*

*4. I came because it's a fun and joyous event. - Barrett Scurlock*

*3. My date forced me to come against my will, but I loved it. It was the most fun I've had in years! - Dale King*

*2. It's the greatest! The music was great! I've been giving dancing lessons all night! - Daniel Austin*

*1. I came because all of the girls wanted me to. - Chris Vetter*



*Ann King smiles as she excitedly enters the gym. Ann said, "I anxiously anticipated the dance because I had so much fun last year."*



*Freshmen Michael Veazey and Beth Price dance across the floor. Beth commented, "The best part of the night was when everyone danced and acted crazy as the deejay played the old songs of the Beatles!"*

# Cutting a Rug

## 2nd Annual Snowflake Ball



**A**t 8:45 on Saturday morning, most people don't expect to hear commotion in the halls at school. However, by that time on December 9, Yearbook Staff members were already decorating the Girls' Gym. By 4:00 in the afternoon, the dingy walls were transformed into a shimmering winter scene called *Mistletoe Magic*. Guests were greet-

ed by huge candy canes that flanked the doors. With over 190 people in attendance the dance floor was filled with couples and friends dressed in semi-formal style. Mr. Greg Hickman, dance chaperone, commented that "Tommy Tanner looked really dapper--kinda like a young Mr. Lard." Jeff Lisath, local deejay, provided the music.



*Junior couple Lindi Hughes and Shannon Bowling share a slow dance. Lindi stated, "I enjoyed the Snowflake Ball because we don't have very many opportunities to dance."*

*Juniors Kerri Elliott and Ginger Aldridge make final adjustments on the toy soldier by adding a sprig of mistletoe to his hat. Ginger jokingly comments, "I was relieved when they told me that I didn't have to kiss him!"*

# Laughing Seriously

## Revelers Club Play

**B**reaking away from the usual comedy offering, the Revelers Club presented "Blue Collar Blues," a comedy with serious undertones. The play focused on a group of friends in the small town of Coffee, Arkansas. They were trying to overcome problems brought on by domestic violence and unemploy-

ment. The stage was set with three main areas: a bar, radio station and beauty parlor all of which interacted with each other. Since there was little scenery, the passing of time was indicated by Old Cowpoke, a radio announcer played by Eric Mayer. Mr. Mark Williams, club advisor, served as director.



*Aaron Cooper, Michael Newsome, Caleb Wittenmyer and Jonathan Stewart reminisce about the good ole days at the sewing machine factory. All the characters in the play had been employed by the plant at some time in their lives.*

*Lisa Pruitt inspects the hot pink negligee that was purchased as a present for a friend's wedding. Lisa's character, Nadine, was too old fashioned to appreciate such a present.*





*Dianna Bissell thumbs through the pages of a beauty magazine. However, she seems more interested on the hot gossip that her hair dresser, Kristi Smith, has to relay.*

### Cast of Characters

*Mary Sue* ..... *Stephanie Skiver*  
*Peg* ..... *Kristi Smith*  
*Nadine* ..... *Lisa Pruitt*  
*Mavis* ..... *Dianna Bissell*  
*Edna* ..... *April Mullins*  
*Mrs. Cagle* ..... *Emily Wheeler*  
*Dollar* ..... *Caleb Wittenmyer*  
*Old Cowpoke* ..... *Eric Mayer*  
*Buel* ..... *Aaron Cooper*  
*Happy Sack* ..... *Jonathan Stewart*



*Eric Mayer, Old Cowpoke, prepares to announce the afternoon bulletin board on KARK radio. As a popular, local radio personality, Old Cowpoke was known for his easy going attitude.*



*Stephanie Skiver takes a moment to explain the situation to the audience. Stephanie 's character, Mary Sue, served as the narrator as well as the beauty shop operator.*

*Jonathan Stewart, a mild-mannered drug store manager, stops a fight between Luke Bawazer and Caleb Wittenmyer. Due to unemployment, tensions were high.*



*Homecoming winners are soph. Kelly Austin, escorted by Darrell Austin; jr. Devon Kitchen, escorted by Steve Kitchen; Queen Ali Lucy, escorted by Kim Lucy; sr. Ann King, escorted by Lou King; and fresh. Talitha Malone, escorted by David Malone.*

*Freshmen Joel Stanley and Josh Bratchett take a refreshment break at the homecoming dance. Josh said, 'The food was good and I had a great time even though I didn't dance very much.'*



Mr. Kim Lacy, Ali's father, crowns her as Queen. Ali said, "I was really honored to be chosen."

Kathy Mingus congratulates Ann King after she is named senior attendant. Ann said, "Nervous anticipation really got to me."

# Dancing the Hula

## Basketball Homecoming



**B**asketball Homecoming offered a few unique twists this year. First, the blizzard of '96 forced the postponement of the original date. Finally the newly appointed day arrived. In the evening many fans came to the game decked out in tropical attire, which was dictated by the theme "Homecoming Hawaiian Style." In the bleachers 16 nervous candidates eagerly awaited halftime so the ceremony could begin. Breaking tradition, the candidates asked

their fathers to escort them across the gym floor. As halftime ended, the new queen and her court had been announced. However, the dance honoring the winners almost didn't happen. The DJ had been mistakenly scheduled for the next night. After a few tense moments, a substitute DJ was secured. Students danced in the Girls' Gym which was decorated with pink and green balloons, exotic fish and tropical fruits.



*Dressed in various Hawaiian-style garments, seniors Kristi Smith, Ryan Livingston, Ann King, and Ali Lacy exhibit hula dance moves. They also wear leis that were given to all students as favors when they purchased tickets.*

*Kelly Austin flashes a big smile after Mr. Burke announces that she is the sophomore attendant. Kelly and her father, Mr. Darrell Austin, admire her bouquet of roses.*

# Singing in Siam

## The King and I

**O**n March 28-30 the vocal music department presented Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical classic *The King and I*. The musical, which cost over \$10,000 and required 3 months of preparation, was based on the true story of a widowed English school teacher, Anna Leonowens, who went to Bangkok in the 1860's to teach the children of the King of Siam. Anna and the King were at odds at first because of differences in their cultures. The two were stubborn, but

they eventually learned to accept each other. Stephanie Skiver, in the lead role of Anna, said, "This was a wonderful experience for me. I feel that the stage could be my future home." Backstage crew consisted of Shane Bowling, Student Director; Kerri Elliott, Production Manager; and Christina Miller, Children's Director. The advisor was Mr. Mark Williams and the orchestra, directed by Mr. Jeff Freytag, consisted of local adult musicians.

### CAST

Captain Orton . . . . . Aaron Cooper, Michael Veazey  
 Anna Leonowens . . . . . Stephanie Skiver  
 Interpreter . . . . . Caleb Wittenmyer  
 Kralahome . . . . . Michael Newsome  
 King . . . . . Eric Mayer  
 Tuptim . . . . . Dianna Bissell  
 Lady Thiang . . . . . April Mullins  
 Lun Tha . . . . . Jonathan Stewart  
 Sir Edward Ramsey . . . . . John Bender  
 Wife 1 . . . . . Sarah Buchanan-Berrigan  
 Wife 9 . . . . . Lisa Pruitt  
 Uncle Thomas . . . . . Rebecca Grant  
 Little Eva . . . . . Talitha Malone  
 Topsey . . . . . Melanie Driedger  
 Eliza . . . . . Emily Wheeler  
 Buddha . . . . . Bethany Grant  
 Angel (George) . . . . . Viveca Clay  
 Simon of Legree . . . . . Royal Gentry  
 Royal Dancers . . . . . Misty Nunley, Leslie Pendleton, Brandi Woods, Missy Queen, Michelle Bagby, Shannon Bowen, Becky Ramey, Beth Price, Shannon McCoy, Lindi Hughes, Jennifer Mitchell, Aja Walden, Tessa Brown, Jenni Burns, Erin Neal, Amy Goodwin, Sarah Burke, Veronica Rhodes  
 Wives . . . . . Erin McCoy, Rissie Strayer, Lynsey Purdy, Leslee Bailey, Cassie Tomlin, Amy Battle, Meghan Burke, Kerri Elliott, Charlotte Risby, Tiffany Hickman, Kristi Smith, Brooke Pratt, Kathy Mingus, Audra Popovich, Christa Buffinger, Heidi Huddleston, Tammy Thomas, Erica Herrmann, Lindsey Copley  
 Guards . . . . . Tommy Tanner, Michael Veazey, Mike Hairston, Gerald Gordon

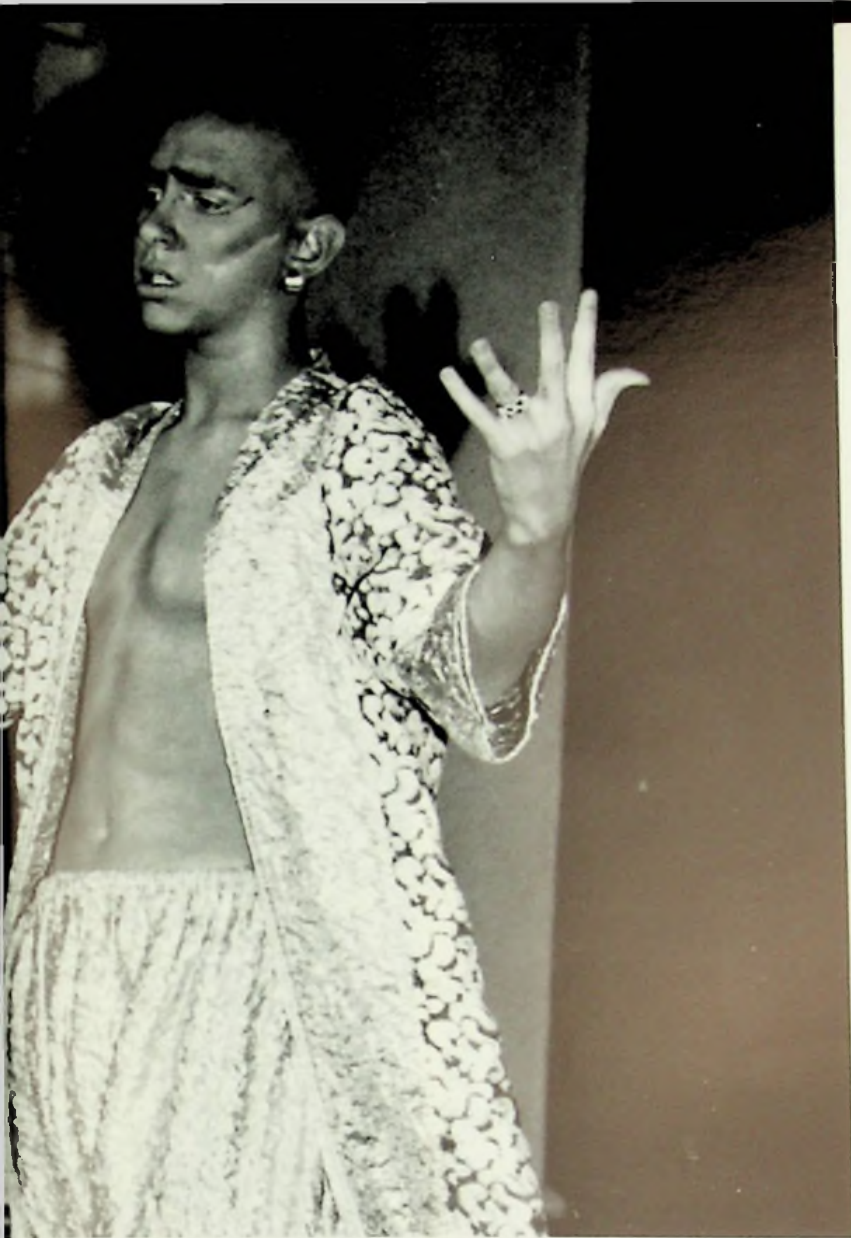


Jonathan Stewart, Lun Tha, and Dianna Bissell, Tuptim, sing "I Have Dreamed," which describes the great love they both have for each other.

Eric Mayer, the King, interrupts a dance and steals Stephanie Skiver, the teacher, away which leaves John Bender alone. "Better be going in," the King said.







*Eric Mayer, the King, sings about life's uncertainties in "A Puzzlement." Eric said, "Working with the large cast and meeting new people was a memorable experience."*

*April Mullins, Lady Thiang, sings about what she learned from a missionary as Eric Mayer looks on. "There is happy land far, far, away," she sang.*



*On the deck of the Chow Phya, Michael Newsome, the Kralahome, speaks in sign language to Caleb Wittenmyer, the Interpreter, as they wait to welcome Anna to Siam.*

*Emily Wheeler applies makeup to Brooke Pratt, one of the wives. With so many Siamese characters in the play, makeup sessions took 1 1/2 hours before each performance.*

# Having a Blast

## Junior-Senior Prom

At 11:32 a.m. on Friday, April 26, juniors and seniors took advantage of their early dismissal and hurried around town stopping at various floral shops and hair salons to make final preparations for the long-awaited prom night. Dinner plans varied from formal meals at Frasure's Chateau Club to an informal get together for some seniors who gathered at Ann King's house and used the Scioto Ribber's catering service. Prom arrivals were just as varied as some arrived in their newly washed family cars and some in traditional limousines. Some seniors broke totally from conventional

methods and arrived on a festively decorated flat bed truck. As Mr. Burke announced each guest, they all took their turns on the Grand March with flash bulbs popping from the crowd of onlookers gathered outside the gym. Once inside, the guests were greeted to a teal, purple, and silver extravaganza billed as "Forever Tonight." While the mirrored ball revolved making dizzying patterns on the dance floor, prom goers exhibited the latest dance moves to music provided by the deejay Jeff Lisath. As the evening came to a close, Ryan Livingston described Prom 1996 best when he said, "We had a blast!"



*Erica Herrmann and Derek Hegarty pose by the pool before dinner at Ann King's house. Derek said, "Let's get on to the steaks!"*



*The sophomore prom hosts and hostesses are (R1) Joey Estep, Heath Glass; (R2) Amy Lester, Tommy Tanner and Lora Beth Daniels.*

*Mindy Grooms, Chasica Sparks, Deana Bryan and Hope Hodge construct a decoration. Members of the prom committee worked diligently to complete the setting.*





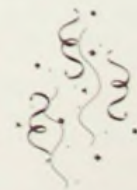
*Seniors Ali Lacy and Kristi Smith wear beaded and chiffon gowns as they dance to "The Atomic Dog." This type of gown was very popular at the prom.*

*Seniors and good friends Ann King, Tiffany Hickman, and Jennifer Morgan line up for a picture as their families look on and snap photos to preserve memories.*



*Heather Kennard, Ryan Livingston and Jesse Johnson get in line for the Grand March. Ryan thought he had lost his date, Kristi Smith, but happily he found her later.*

*Brian Barney and Robbie Bratchett leave their dates to "style and profile" for the camera. After the picture, they quickly returned to their dates.*



*Amanda Hardin and Ivan Hammond enjoy dinner at Frasure's Chateau Club. Many juniors and seniors reserved tables at Frasure's for pre-prom festivities.*



*Kirk Thompson and Bill Bowen sing "I'll Make Love to You" on the karaoke machine. Karaoke was a new addition to the prom brought about by the juniors.*



*Sarah Pulver, Erin McCoy, and Angie Thuma have fun at their junior prom. Erin said, "Angie and Sarah are two of my best friends. We all enjoyed the prom."*

*Members of the Prom Committee are (R1) Jennifer Penley, Erin McCoy, Krista Lallow; (R2) Mindy Grooms, Angie Thuma, Michelle Bradley, Sarah Pulver, Kerri Elliott, Ginger Aldridge, Wendi Burns, Devon Kitchen; (R3) Emily Newman, Jeremy Whitt, Chris Vetter, Alexander Curtis, and Scott Moore.*



# Dancing Forever

## Forever Tonight



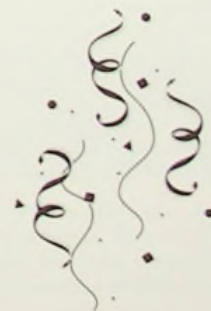
*Kevin Biller and Kerri Elliott pose for a picture during the Grand March. All prom-goers are announced as they take part in the Grand March before they enter the gym.*



*Senior Mike Hairston shows some moves on the dance floor. Prom attendees enjoyed dancing to music provided by deejay Jeff Lisath while spending time with friends.*



*Juniors Jonathan Stewart and Annie Swanson make their grand entry after missing the Grand March. Annie said, "Dinner was late and Jonathan drives so slow, I thought we would never make it!"*



# Getting Out

## Senioritis

It's not tonsillitis or laryngitis or bronchitis - but Senioritis - that highly contagious disease that afflicts 12th graders, especially in the springtime of their last year of high school. Symptoms run from blankly staring out the window to watching TV instead of doing homework to dreaming up ways to get out of class. Some parents become very concerned and try any number of cures includ-

ing bribery by offering expenses-paid trips to Myrtle Beach. Other parents, who have been through the affliction with their older offspring, simply grit their teeth and try to ignore the moodiness and short tempers that come with this malady. However, teachers who go through this epidemic every year realize that with graduation the disease will be cured - at least until the following springtime.



*Heather Kennard and April Mullins use a Ouija board at April's sleep-over. They were trying to ward off evil spirits that might ruin their senior year.*

*Heather Kennard, Misty Dickerson, and Audra Popovich gather in the hall to look at a United States map. The girls were looking for the quickest route to Myrtle Beach for the senior trip.*



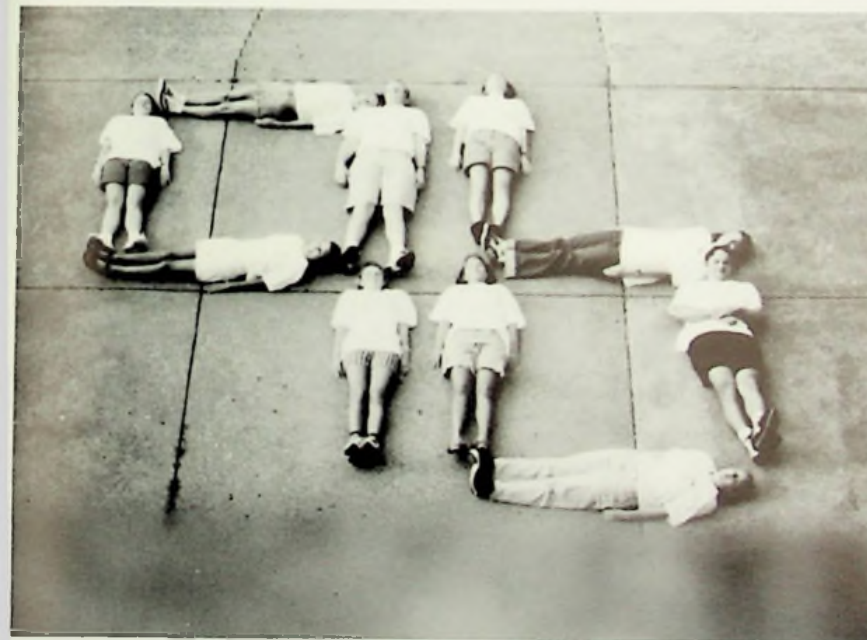
*During the last week of school Mike Cooper draws during JOGS class. Many seniors tended to do anything during class except what they were supposed to do.*





*Brian Barney and Jennifer Morgan give their passbooks to Mrs. Setters to get signed out. With finals completed, they didn't see the point in sticking around.*

*Seniors flaunt class shirts to commemorate their last day of classes. Since exams were completed, Ms. Whitehead sent them out for one last look at nature.*



*Eager for the upcoming day, seniors raced outside with thoughts of graduation. They then formed a human body sculpture honoring the Class of '96.*



*Matt Huddleston takes notes as Kathy Mingus ignores Mr. West's lecture on the court system and reads a magazine. In May note taking was unimportant to many seniors.*

*Salutatorian Sarah Smith gives a speech on lessons she learned throughout life. Sarah said, "My mother taught me to reach for the moon. She said that even if you miss, you might still catch a star."*

*After being reminded to line up, Brandi Murta and Melissa Messer check the list for their order in the processional.*



*Michael McQuinley marches to his seat. The concert band continued to play "Pomp and Circumstance" until all seniors were seated.*

*Co-valedictorians are Melanie Driedger, Stephanie Skiver, Audra Popovich, and Ryan Livingston. All four graduated with perfect 5.0 GPA's.*





# Saying Good-bye

## Graduation

The sky opened and seemed to rain tears as the class of 1996 entered the gym and shed their own tears - some of joy and some of sadness. 115 seniors participated in the 128th annual commencement ceremony held on Sunday afternoon, June 2. After the band played the "Alma Mater" and "The Star Spangled Banner," Mr. Skip Hickman, school board member, addressed the crowd. Mr. Hickman said, "Few days are as memorable as the day you

graduate from PHS. Thanks for the happy times we've shared together!" Then each valedictorian and the salutatorian made a speech and received the Superintendent's Award. In an untraditional speech, Stephanie Skiv-er sang, "Our hearts in big and small ways will keep the love that keeps us strong." Finally, Ivan Hammond, class president, called each senior to the stage to receive a diploma. Ivan remarked, "It's been the shortest year of my life!"



*Mrs. Setters pins a carnation on Taya Mathis. Each senior reported to the Girls' Gym to receive the floral badge for the ceremony.*

*Under the direction of Mr. Williams, the combined choirs perform during the ceremony. The choirs sang "Gloria Festiva" and "Friend to Friend, Heart to Heart."*

# Making It Final

## Commencement 1996

*Tiffany Hickman receives her diploma. This presentation and congratulations came from her father, Skip Hickman.*



*Senior class president Ivan Hammond announces the name of each graduate. Ivan also announced the scholarships won by various class members.*

*After marching into the gym during the processional, class members await the beginning of the ceremony.*





*Jerald Gordon crosses the stage to receive his diploma from School Board member Mr. W. R. (Skip) Hickman.*

*Co-valedictorian Stephanie Skiver addresses the graduates and the crowd. Stephanie, whose speech was partly a lilting tune, sang, "A life time's not too long to live as friends."*



*The incessant springtime rains continued to pour down on graduation day. However, as if by official decree, the clouds dried up at the end of the ceremony just long enough for the new graduates to pose for one last picture before going their own separate ways.*

## PEOPLE

**T**he main component of a school is the students who attend it and the people who work for it. Many valuable people make up the school population here. Even though the student population has decreased due to policies like "Open

### *Looking Good*

Enrollment," the students who remain believe that PHS is the best place to be. On the other hand, the adult population has increased. Due to a mandate by the school board, district administrators moved to offices in PHS. Several new faculty members also joined the staff. In the following section are pictured the people who are *looking good* every day at school.



*Leslee Bailey looks through a microscope at animal cells.*

*Luke Bawazer takes time out of his day to "look good."*





*Outside the Guidance Office, juniors Krista Lallow, Chris Vetter, and Kirk Thompson take a look at the report of the ACT scores. Krista lectures them about how to improve their scores.*

*Seniors Lynne Bissell, Sarah Smith, and Stephanie Skiver take a break from scholarship team practice. Stephanie laughs as Lynne compliments her cosmopolitan look.*



# Seniors Look Forward

From looking up to the *almighty seniors* to actually being them-- Wow! What a difference three years make! The seniors have many memories that will last a lifetime...that first day of freshman jitters, finally driving to school, fighting for a parking place, attending the Prom, graduating, and all the good times that they shared. As they go their separate ways, the members of the class of '96 will take *one last look* at their lives at PHS and remember all the special times that they had here.

*Senior class officers are Erica Herrmann, secretary; Audra Popovich, treasurer; and Derek Hegarty, vice-president. Not pictured is Ivan Hammond, president.*





*Stephanie Skiver and Matt Huddleston smile when thinking about their futures. Stephanie plans to become a music teacher, and Matt, although he has yet to make definite career plans, intends to use his math skills. These two were voted Most Likely to Succeed.*



**Richard Asbell**  
**David Bailey**



**Andrea Barnes**-Basketball 11; FHA 9; JOGS Officer 12  
**Brian Barney**-Football 9,12; Basketball 9-12; Baseball 9-12; Homecoming Escort 10,11; Sci. Fair Winner 11; PSEP 11,12; Senior Trait; AIA 11,12  
**Charity Beamon**-Basketball 9,10; Mixed Chorus 10; FHA 9-11; Library Staff 9-12  
**Lynne Bissell**-Soccer 10; Cross Country 9; Freshman Choir; Mixed Chorus 10,12; Scholarship Team 11, 12; SCORES 9,12; PSEP 9-12; Art Club 10-12, VP 10, Pres. 11; Latin Club 9; Student Council 11; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Quiz Bowl 12; Musical 9,12; Revelers Play 9, 11  
**Bill Bowen**-Football 9-12; Basketball 9; Baseball 9-12; Homecoming Escort 9,10; Senior Trait; AIA 12



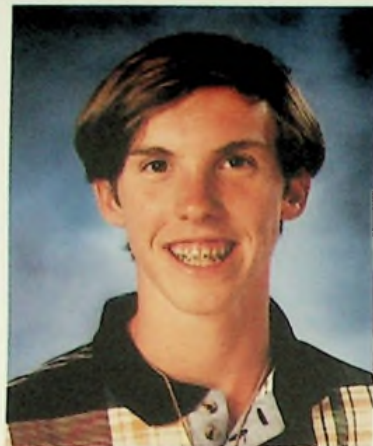
**Shane Bowling**-Marching Band 10-12; Concert Band 10-12; Pep Band 10-12; Jazz Band 10-12; Freshman Choir; Mixed Chorus 10-12; Expressions 10-12 Musical 9,11,12; Revelers Play 11,12



**Robbie Bratchett**-Football 9-12, Capt.12; Basketball 9-12; Baseball 9; Track 10-12, Capt.12; Scholarship Team 12; Sci. Fair Winner 11; PSEP 9-12; Yearbook Staff 12; Prom Committee 11; Senior Trait; AIA 11,12, VP 12

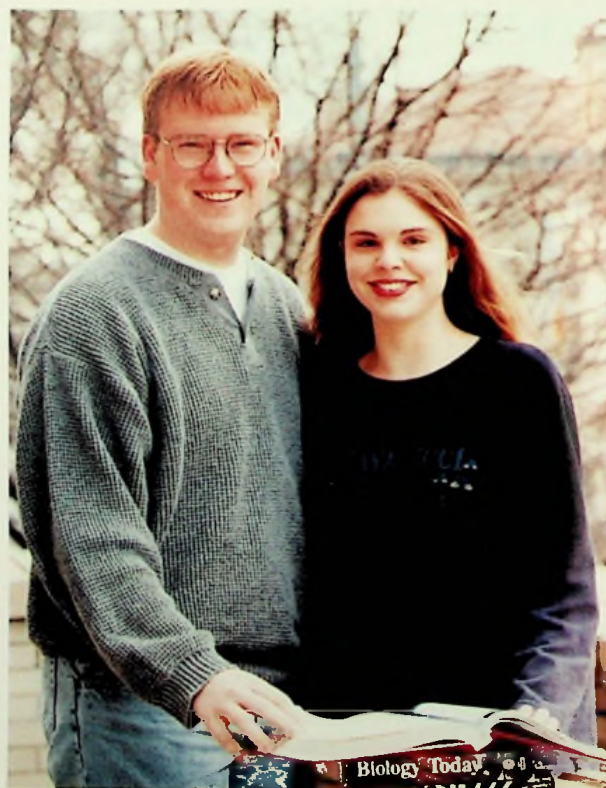
**Ryan Bratton**  
**Deana Bryan**  
**Camilla Charles**

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*Alto sax player Rissie Strayer concentrates on the sheet music as the Jazz Band performs for the student body at the Christmas concert.*

*While juggling college courses as well as high school courses, Ryan Livingston and Audra Popovich manage to maintain perfect 4.0 GPA's. They were voted Most Intelligent of the senior class.*







**Keith Charles**-Football 9; Soccer 10-12; Basketball 9; Homecoming Escort 12; Spanish Club 10; Library Staff 10  
**Viveca Clay**-Volleyball 10-12; Basketball Homecoming Attendant 11; Mixed Chorus 10,11; Expressions 12; Pep Club 12; Student Council 12; JOGS 12; Musical 11; Prom Committee 11; AIA 12

**Crystal Collins**

**Lindy Collins**-Marching Band 10-12; Flags 10-12, Capt. 12; Environ. Club 11,12, Sec. 12; JOGS 12  
**Alex Copley**-Tennis 9-12; Swimming 9,10; Track 9; Scholarship Team 9,10; SCORES 9-11; Sci. Fair Winner 10; Pep Club 9-11; Environ. Club 10; Latin Club 9,10, Treas. 10; Student Council 11; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Prom Comm. 11; Dean's Office Worker 11; Women in Sci. 9,10; Junior Scholar 11



**Brad Daniels**-Football 9,11,12; Basketball 9; Track 10-12, Capt. 12; Homecoming Escort 10; Scholarship Team 12; Spanish Club 9,10; JOGS 12; Yearbook Staff 12; Senior Trait; AIA 11,12

**Sara Daniels**-SCORES 10; Library Staff 9,10; Revelers Play 9; VICA Quiz Bowl 11,12

**Jennifer Day**-Mixed Chorus 11; JOGS 12; Prom Committee 11

**Melanie Driedger**-Swimming 9; Marching Band 10-12; Concert Band 10-11; Pep Band 10,11; Jazz Band 10-12; Freshman Choir; Scholarship Team 10-12; Envir. Club 9-12, Officer 10-12; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Musical 9-12; Prom Comm. 11; Valedictorian, Women in Science 10

**Ryan Duncan**-Football 10,11; Basketball 10



**D.J. Everman**-Homecoming Escort 12; JOGS 12

**Andrea Farley**



*Ali Lacy and Robbie Bratchett practice a baton exchange. As well as being members of the track team, both participated in other sports. Also, Ali played on the tennis team that advanced to the district finals and Robbie ranked first in the county for rushing more than any other football player. Because of their accomplishments in sports, they were voted Most Athletic.*

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*Micha Smith and Kathy Mingus are well known for for their ability to make people laugh. They were voted Class Clowns.*





*Jesse Johnson watches a car at the top of a roller coaster track as physics students conduct an experiment about gravity.*

*Alex Copley and Bill Bowen are known for keeping up with trends. Their keen sense of style got them voted Best Dressed.*



**Shawn Feeman**-Tennis 9; Student Council 9; FHA 10,12; JOGS 12; Library Staff 11,12

**Earl Foster**-JOGS 12

**Sarah Fraley**

**Christian Funksjo**-Soccer 12; Swimming 12; Baseball 12

**Adam Giles**-Football 9; Athletic Office 9-12



**Jeremy Glass**-Football 9-12; Basketball 9; Homecoming Escort 9,11; Science Fair Winner 11; PSEP 9; JOGS 12  
**Jerald Gordon**-Basketball 9,11; Track 12; Expressions 12; FHA 9,10; JOGS 12; Musical 12

**Bob Gustafson**

**Mike Hairston**-Basketball 9-11; Track 12; Expressions 12; Musical 12; SR Trait; Dean's Office 12

**Patrick Hamilton**

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*Often decked out in Trojan attire, Tiffany Hickman and Brad Daniels attended games and rooted on the Trojan athletes--win or lose. Because of their loyalty to PHS, Brad and Tiffany were voted Most Spirited.*





**Ivan Hammond**-Football 9,10,12; Track 10; Home. Esc 10; Stud Council 11; JOGS 12; Sr. Class Pres.; Sr Trait

**Cindy Harness**

**Derek Hegarty**-Football 9-12, Capt. 12; Tennis 9-12; Home. Esc 10-11; Fresh. Choir; Schol Team 11,12; SCORES 12; Sci Fair Win.11; Stud Council 12; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Sr. Class VP; YB Staff 12; Musical 9; Boys State 11; Prom Comm 11; Sr. Trait; Prin Office 12; AIA 11,12, Pres 12

**Andy Heiskell**-Senior Trait

**Erica Herrmann**-Tennis 9-12, Capt.12; Cheerleader 9-11; Homecoming Att 9,12; Schol Team 10-12; SCORES 9-12; Sci Fair Win. 11; Pep Club 9-12, VP 11; PSEP 9-12; Stud Council 9-12, Pres 12; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Class Pres 9,10, VP 11, Sec 12; YB Staff 11,12, Editor 12, Mock Trial 12; Musical 9,11,12; Revelers Play 11; Girls State Alt 11; HOBY 10; Prom Comm; Sr. Trait; Prin. Office 10, AIA 12



**Tiffany Hickman**-Tennis 9-12; Cheerleader 9; Freshman Choir; Schol Team 11,12; SCORES 9-12; Sci. Fair Winner 11; Pep Club 9-12; PSEP 10-12; Spanish Club 9,10; Student Council 10,12; Nat'l Honor 11,12, Sec 12; YB Staff 11,12, Editor 12; Musical 9,11,12; Prom Committee 11; Sr. Trait; AIA 11,12, Sec 12; Football Office 9,10, 12

**Brian Hicks**-Cross Country 12; Prom Committee 11

**Brandon Hobbs**-Football 9,10; Soccer 12

**Matt Huddleston**-Track 11,12; Marching Band 9; Concert Band 9; Pep Band 9; Scholarship Team 10-12; Latin Club 9,10; Nat'l Honor 11,12

**Michael Jett**



**Corey Johnson**-Basketball 9,11

**Jean Johnson**

**Jesse Johnson**-Football 9-12, Capt 12; Baseball 9,10,12; Track 11; Schol Team 10-12; SCORES 9; Art Club 9; Span Club 9; Student Council 11; Nat'l Honor 11,12, VP 12; YB Staff 12; Prom Comm 11; Dean's Office 12; AIA 11,12

**Heather Kennard**-Softball 12; Volleyball 9-11; Homecoming Cand 12; Freshman Choir; Schol Team 11,12; Pep Club 9-11; Span Club 9,10, Pres 10; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Prom Comm 11; AIA 11,12

**Ann King**-Track 9-12, Capt 12; Volleyball 11; Cheerleader 9,10 JV Capt 10; Homecoming Att 10,12; Freshman Choir; Schol Team 10-12; SCORES 9,10; Sci Fair Winner 10,12; Pep Club 9-12, Treas 11, Pres 12; PSEP 10-12; Latin Club 9,10; Student Council 9-12; Nat'l Honor 11,12; JR Class Pres; YB Staff; Musical 9,11; Prom Comm 11; SR Trait; Dean's Off. 10,11



*Kendra Knapp and Andy Heiskell happily smile at their mischievous accomplishment of toilet papering the tree outside the school. Because of their devious behavior, Kendra and Andy were voted Class Rebels.*

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*Mike Hairston and Misty Dickerson smile sweetly. Their pleasant personalities and considerate behavior helped these two receive the distinction of being voted Sweetest.*

*In the 1st floor hallway Jessica Wells gathers her thoughts as she suffers through a government make-up test, the consequence for missing the original test date.*





*Kristi Smith flashes a big smile while Ivan Hammond acts a bit more modest about being voted as the seniors with the Best Smile.*



**Kendra Knapp**-Cheerleader 9,10; Pep Club 9-11; Spanish Club 11; Nat'l Honor 11,12; JOGS 12; Prom Committee  
**Ali Lacy**-Tennis 9-12; Swimming 9-12, Capt. 12; Track 9-12, Capt. 12; Cheerleader 9; Homecoming Cand. 10, Attendant 11, Queen 12; Scholarship Team 11,12; SCORES 9-11; Science Fair Winner 11; Pep Club 9,11,12; PSEP 11; Student Council 10-12; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Junior Class Treas.; Yearbook Staff 12; Musical 12; Revelers Play 11; Prom Committee 11; Senior Trait; Principal's Office 12; AIA 11,12  
**Ryan Livingston**-Tennis 9-12; Homecoming Escort 10-12; Scholarship Team 10-12; SCORES 9-12; Science Fair Winner 10; Latin Club 9,10, VP 10; Nat'l Honor 11,12, Pres. 12; Yearbook Staff 12; Quiz Bowl 12; Mock Trial 12; Boys State 11; Prom Committee 11; Valedictorian; Senior Trait; AIA 11,12, Liaison 12; Mentorship 12; Gov. Summer Inst. 10



**Jill Manor**-Tennis 10,11; Basketball 11; Softball 9,10,12; Homecoming Cand. 11; Freshman Choir; Scholarship Team 11; Pep Club 9-11; PSEP 9-12; Spanish Club 9,10; Freshman Class VP; Musical 9; Prom Committee 11; Dean's Office 11  
**Taya Mathis**-Expressions 10,11; PSEP 11,12; FHA 10; Library Staff 9,12; Musical 11

**Jonda McNutt**

**Michael McQuinley**

**Christina Miller**-Freshman Choir; Expressions 10-12; PSEP 9-12; Spanish Club 10; Library Staff 12; Musical 11



**Kathy Mingus**-Flags 11,12; Scholarship Team 10-12; SCORES 9-12; Pep Club 10-12; PSEP 10-12; Envir. Club 10,11, Sec/Treas 10; Span. Club 10; Nat'l Honor 11,12, Treas. 12; Soph. Class VP; Musical 11,12; Prom Comm. 11; Sr. Trait; Dean's Office 10,12; Women in Sci. 9,10; Jr. Scholars

**Matt Montavon**

**Jennifer Morgan**-Softball 9-11; Cheerleader 11; Homecoming Cand. 10,11; Pep Club 9-11; Span. Club 9,10, VP 10; Student Council 9; Class Treas. 9,10; Newspaper Staff 9; Prom Comm. 11; Dean's Office 11

**April D. Mullins**-Marching Band 10-12; Concert Band 10-12; Pep Band 10,11; Jazz Band 11,12; Freshman Choir; Expressions 10-12; Pep Club 12; PSEP 9-12; Envir. Club 9; Span. Club 9,10; Musical 9, 11,12; Revelers Play 12; Prom Comm. 11

**Nathan Mullins**-Track 9-12; Cross Country 10-12; JOGS Secretary 12

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*Ann King and Brian Barney cuddle-up on the front steps. Known for her flirtatious smile and his smooth pick-up lines, Ann and Brian were obvious choices for Class Flirts.*





**Brandi Murta**-FHA 9,10; BPA 11,12; SCJVS Student Senate 11,12

**George Neff**

**Laura Osborne**-Cross Country 9, Freshman Choir; Mixed Chorus 12; Prom Committee

**Chris Parish**-Football 9,11; Track 9; Scholarship Team 12; Science Fair Winner 11; Prom Committee 11

**Jill Patterson**



**Justin Piatt**-Track 11; Prom Committee 11

**Audra Popovich**-Marching Band 9-12; Concert Band 9-11; Pep Band 9-11; Mixed Chorus 11; Scholarship Team 10-12; SCORES 9-12; Pep Club 11; PSEP 10-12; Environmental Club 9-11; Student Council 10,12; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Class Treasurer 12; Musical 11,12; Prom Committee 11;

Valedictorian; Senior Trait; Women in Science 9,10; Governor's Summer Inst. 9,10; Junior Scholar

**Jason Priode**-Basketball 9,10,12; Track 10,12; Science Fair Winner 11; JOGS 12

**David Pyles**

**Stephanie Rhodes**-Yearbook Staff 11,12; Prom Committee 11



**Amy Salmons**-Marching Band 9-12; Flags 9-12; Environmental Club 9,10

*Erica Herrmann and Derek Hegarty light up the world around them. Their positive outlook on life got them voted Best Personality.*



*Keith Charles, playing forward, shows the ball control that he gained from being a veteran soccer player.*



## Senior Favorites

*Teacher* ..... *Mr. West*  
*Subject* ..... *Government*  
*Song* ..... *Don't Go There*  
*Group* ..... *Boyz II Men*  
*Male Singer* ..... *Coolio*  
*Female Singer* ..... *Mariah Carey*  
*Movie* ..... *Showgirls*  
*Actor* ..... *Jim Carrey*  
*Actress* ..... *Sandra Bullock*  
*Television Show* ..... *Friends*  
*Talk Show Host* ..... *Jerry Springer*  
*Soap Opera* ..... *Days of Our Lives*  
*Sport* ..... *Football*  
*Fast Food Restaurant* ..... *McDonald's*  
*Clothing* ..... *Jeans and T-shirt*  
*Color* ..... *Blue*  
*Parking Lot* ..... *Church parking lot*  
*Car* ..... *Mustang*  
*Substitute Teacher* ..... *Mr. Kisor*  
*Board Game* ..... *Monopoly*



Ryan Duncan talks about the Christmas concert as Nathan Mullins waits for the music to begin.



**Jason Shepherd**

**Shane Shepherd**

**Stephanie Skiver**-Marching Band 9-12; Concert Band 9-11; Pep Band 9,10; Jazz Band 9-12; Expressions 9-12; Scholarship Team 10-12; SCORES 9,10; PSEP 10-12; Environ. Club 9-11; Latin Club 9; Student Council Sec. 12; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Musical 9,11,12; Revelers 9,12; Girls State 11; Prom Committee 11; Valedictorian; Senior Trait

**Kristi Smith**-Tennis 11,12; Swimming 9,10; Cross Country 10; Cheerleader 9-11; Homecoming Cand. 9, Attend. 10, Queen 12; Scholarship Team 9,10,12; SCORES 9-11; Pep Club 9-12, Sec.12; River Days Cand.; Spanish Club 9,10, Sec.10; Student Council 9; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Class Sec. 9-11; Newspaper 9; Mock Trial 12; Musical 11,12; Revelers 12; Prom Comm. 11; Senior Trait, Guid. Off. 12

**Micah Smith**-Football 10-12; Track 10-12; Homecoming Escort 11; FHA 10; AIA 11,12



**Sarah Smith**-Scholarship Team 10-12; SCORES 10; Environ. Club Public Relations Officer 12; Latin Club 9,10, Pres. 10; Student Council 10,11; Nat'l Honor 11,12; Quiz Bowl 10-12; Mock Trial 11,12; Girls State Alt. 11; Prom Committee 11; Salutatorian; Guid. Office 9

**Craig Stein**

**Rissie Strayer**-Concert Band 9-11; Marching Band 9-12; Pep Band 9-11; Jazz Band 9-12; Freshman Choir; Expressions 10-12; SCORES 10-12; PSEP 10-12; Latin Club 9; St. Council 11; Nat'l Honor 11, 12; Musical 9, 11, 12; Revelers Play 9, 11; Prom Committee

**Ashley Sumpter**-Mixed Chorus 10,11; Pep Club 11; FHA 9; JOGS 12; Musical 11; Revelers Play 11; Prom Committee 11; Guid. Office 11,12

**Sean Waugh**



**Robert Wayne**-Marching Band 9,10; Concert Band 9,10; Guidance Office 12

**Laura Webb**-Swim 10; Cheerleader 11; Freshman Choir; Schol. Team 10; SCORES 9, 10; Pep Club 9-11; Span. Club 9, 10; Stud. Council 10; FHA 9, 10, Pres. 9, 10; SCJVS JR. SR class pres; Revelers Play 9; Prom Comm; BPA Pres 11, 12

**Jessica Wells**-Swimming 9-11; Cheerleader 9; Freshman Choir; Mixed Chorus 11; Pep Club 9; FHA 10-12, Sec. 11; Musical 12



*Sean Waugh participates in a physics lab concerning velocity. He makes sure the path is clear before he pushes the box car down the hall.*

# Juniors Look Familiar

In August the Juniors began the third tier of high school confidently by resuming activities that had by now become common place. However, the year also brought many changes. Upperclassmen at last, the Juniors excitedly planned and prepared for the Prom, while they also felt the pressures of taking the ACT and SAT. Many students took challenging classes such as Spanish III and French III, chemistry, American literature, and American history. Mrs. Emily Brown's CP history classes participated in a unique project which involved inviting a historical person to a dinner party. Students reported about the meal and the dinner conversation, which had to be backed up by quotes from the famous guests. The class officers guided the juniors through the year. Pictured to the right are Luke Bawazer, treasurer; Chris Vetter, president; Kirk Thompson, vice-president; and Krista Lallow, secretary.



*Chris Adkins  
Ginger Aldridge  
Jason Alvarado  
Tony Arnett  
Emma Austin*



*Tom Bailey  
Jeannette Barnett  
Terina Barney  
Luke Bawazer  
Dianna Bissell*



*Lori Blevins  
Stephanie Born  
Shannon Bowling  
Michelle Bradley  
Daniel Brown*





*Michael Brown  
Meghan Burke  
Wendi Burns  
Chris Cassidy  
Ben Colburn*



*Jamie Collins  
Nicholas Canover  
Alexander Curtis  
Daniel Eggers  
Kerri Elliott*



*Martha Gillum  
Chuck Gilmore  
Dustin Givens  
Bethany Grant  
Steven Grant*



*Mindy Grooms  
Bobby Hall  
Lene Hall  
Amanda Hardin  
Bart Hayes*



*Celeste McHenry, Bethany Grant, Angie Thuma, and Steven Grant dress as farmers for Farmer Day during Spirit Week.*

*Craig Martz works diligently on a geometry assignment, while Sarah Pulver laughs in confusion over one of the problems.*

*Hope Hodge  
Stephanie Hollis  
Shane Horner  
Jack Howbert  
Lindi Hughes*



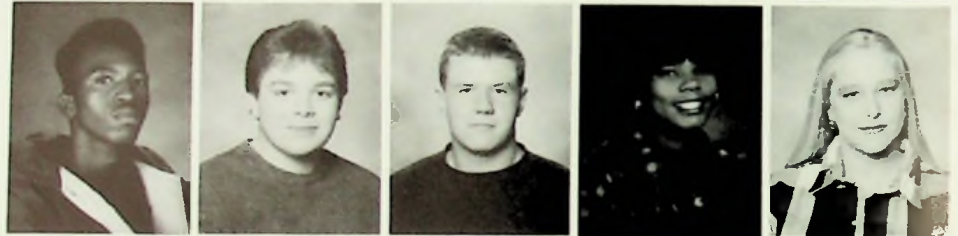
*Aaron Hurt  
Thomas Ingiosi  
Angie Johnson  
Ryan Jones  
Michele Kendle*



*Devon Kitchen  
Heather Kremin  
Brandon Lacy  
Krista Lallow  
Charlie Lamblin*



*Chris Lampkin  
Matt Lawrence  
Scott Leslie  
Mikeia Lisath  
Amber Litz*



*Lindi Hughes looks down field as she waits for the kick off to begin the second half of the soccer game.*



*Kerri Elliott places a candle in the holder after she has been tapped as a new member of the National Honor Society.*





*Lindi Hughes, Jonathan Stewart, Luke Bawazer and Chris Vetter discuss the Spanish III project, "El Sabado de la Noche" (Saturday Night Live).*

*Charlotte Risby has her hair braided for The King and I.*



*Amy Litz  
David Lykins  
Craig Martz  
Roger McClary  
Erin McCoy*

*Chris McGinnis  
Celeste McHenry  
Janet Miller  
Tobias Miller  
April Mullins*

*Stephanie Mullins  
Curtis Music  
Emily Newman  
Jennifer Nicholson  
Claressa Page*

*Zanetta Parker  
Jennifer Penley  
Alicia Phipps  
David Plew  
Mary Powell*

*Candy Price  
Bethany Prior  
Sarah Pulver  
Rick Rammel  
Charlotte Risby*



*Thomas Ruggles  
Timothy Scott  
Gary Sparks  
Chris Spinnati  
Jonathan Stewart*



*Jonathan Stone  
Annie Swanson  
Ruth Tackett  
Kirk Thompson  
Angie Thuma*



*Dolores Toller  
Kim J. Underwood  
Chris Vetter  
Bria Webb  
Jessica Wetzel*



*Jeremy Whitt  
Lisa Williams  
Jamie Wright*



*Bethany Grant and Kerri Elliott take notes in physics. Working on labs and taking notes comprise the activity in this class.*

*Sarah Pulver and Michelle Bradley help Ms. Whitehead grade papers. These girls helped Ms. Whitehead every day 4th period.*







*Janet Miller, Dianna Bissell, and Stephanie Born study anatomy notes. Janet said, "I had to study for a big oral quiz."*

*Chris Vetter mixes a court jester's hat with a black cape and a necktie on Mismatch Day during Spirit Week.*



*Alexander Curtis, Jeremy Whitt, Emily Newman, and Krista Lallow listen carefully to the narrator as they watch a film in French III.*

*They were learning about French architecture and studying the cathedrals in France.*



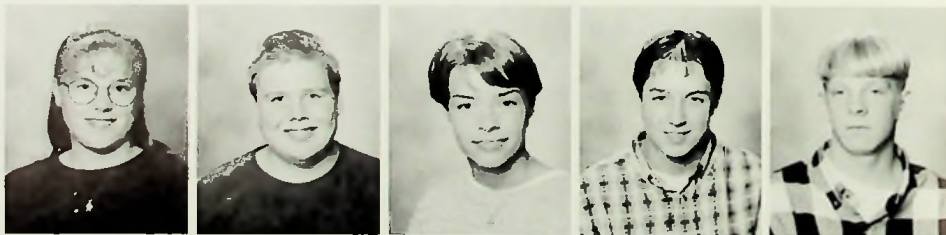
*Cheerleader captain Ginger Aldridge leads a cheer to get the crowd pumped up before a basketball game.*

# Sophomores Look Ready

With an awkward freshman year behind them, the sophomores began school confidently. Realizing they were now veterans, the 10th graders walked in and smirked at the freshmen wandering around aimlessly. As the year progressed, numerous activities involved sophomores. Many found themselves holding down positions on various varsity teams, such as football, basketball and baseball. The show choir had 14 sophomore members, while 5 out of 7 varsity cheerleaders were sophomores. These 10th graders showed that age and experience aren't necessarily requirements for success. In the academic ranks, some sophomores dealt with tough classes, such as geometry, foreign languages, and world history. Mrs. Cyndy Fuller, in her first year at PHS, offered new activities, like "Christmas Around the World," in which students researched foreign holiday customs. Other sophomores worked hard to attend SCJVS during 11th grade. Pictured to the right are the officers who led their classmates through this transitional year: co-presidents Jon Estep and Amy Lester; vice-president Joey Estep; secretary Lora Beth Daniels; and treasurer Heath Glass.



*Brandy Aldridge  
Tim Arthur  
Kelly Austin  
Joey Babcock  
Todd Barney*



*Michael Bassett  
Amy Battle  
John Bender  
Sarah Buchanan-Berrigan  
David Bevis*





*Chris Blackburn  
Nancy Blair  
Christina Blankenship  
Rickie Bradley  
Lance Bray*



*Jana Broughton  
Tessa Brown  
Tiffany Burchett  
Leah Burns  
Susan Cablish*



*Aaron Cooper  
Lindsey Copley  
Dan Coriell  
Lora Beth Daniels  
Lisa Defoe*



*Nate Dickey  
Timmy Dodds  
Krista Duckett  
Bobby Eggers  
Adam Esham*



*Joey Estep  
Jonathan Estep  
Ryan Fields  
Jeff Flowers  
Marcus Fraley*



*Sophomores Amy Battle, Krista Duckett, Sarah Buchanan-Berrigan, and Phillip Roberts serve as honorary ushers at the National Honor Society Induction. Phillip Roberts hands a program to Mr. Howard Baughman as he arrives to watch his daughter Kerri Elliott be inducted. Sophomores who rank in the top 10 of their class serve as ushers.*

Ryan Fugitt  
 Tabitha Gartin  
 Christopher Gibson  
 Jeremy Gilliam  
 Heath Glass



Brandy Glenn  
 Cyneca Greene  
 Tia Hairston  
 Tisha Hardin  
 Jessica Henderson



Frankie Honaker  
 Heidi Huddleston  
 Bobby Huffman  
 Tyler Hull  
 Donnie Igou



Joe Jones  
 Brad Jordan  
 Missy Jordan  
 Amanda Keibler  
 Michelle Landrum



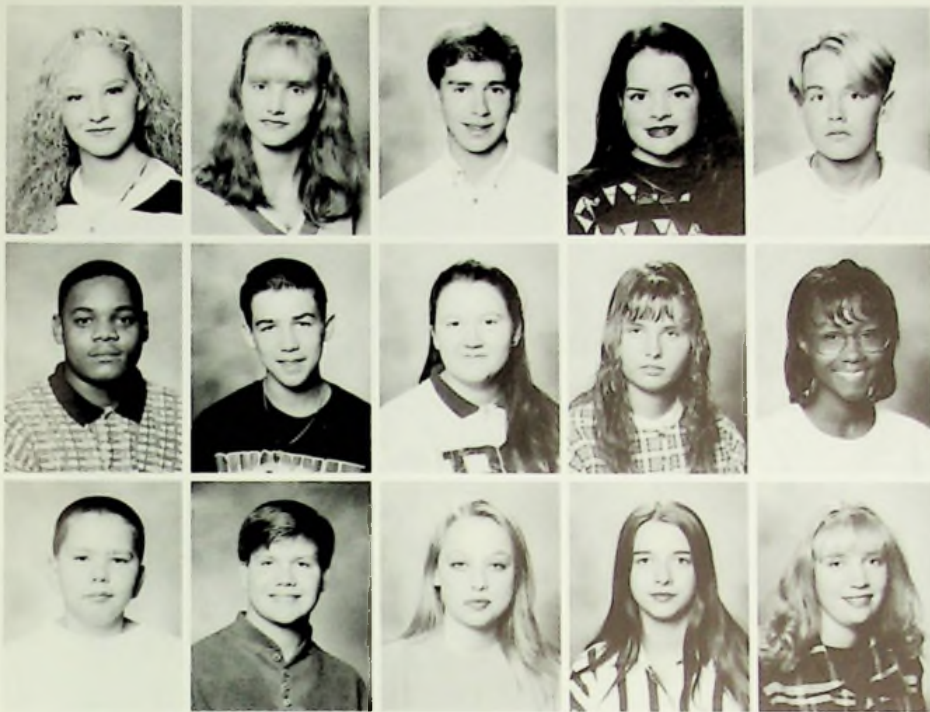
Zach Lange  
 Amy Lester  
 Tim Llewellyn  
 Jessica Loper  
 Aaron MacDonald



Adam Esham places papers in the teachers' mail boxes, part of his duties as a Principal's Office worker.

Joe Jones talks to friends as he waits for the holiday assembly to begin in the auditorium.





*Angel Marcum  
 Felicia Martin  
 Eric Mayer  
 Jennifer McCallister  
 Anthony McGraw*

*Chris McKinley  
 Billy McNutt  
 Shanta McReynolds  
 Mandy Moore  
 Cielita Morton*

*Tyson Murta  
 Michael Newsome  
 Stephanie Nuckols  
 Bobbi Nutter  
 Kim O'Connor*



*Courtney Valentine is caught in the third floor hall making a spirit statement by wearing Tweety Bird slippers on Crazy Shoe Day.*

*Heath Glass and Timmy Dodds make their case for the best food choices in cafeteria lunches.*

*Heidi Huddleston and Tammy Thomas work diligently in Biology II class. Ms. Whitehead assigned a chapter to be read by the class members.*

*Jon Estep casually walks down the hall to his next class. Jon said, "I was thinking about Mr. Poage's words of wisdom about To Kill a Mockingbird."*



*Keith O'Dell  
Ashley Parker  
Curtis Parker  
Niraj Patel  
April Phipps*



*Jodie Pistole  
Melissa Porter  
Brooke Pratt  
Amanda Preston  
Laura Price*



*Lisa Pruitt  
Lynnsey Purdy  
Leonard Queen  
Hank Rau  
Christopher Reed*



*Carissa Reeves  
Gregory Reeves  
Adam Roberts  
Phillip Roberts  
Richelle Robinson*





*Marisol Sanchez  
Linsee Shepherd  
Amanda Skaggs  
Amber Stepp  
Latitia Stiltner*



*Meagan Sullens  
Amanda Swords  
Brandon Tanner  
Heather Taylor  
Marc Teeters*



*Tammy Thomas  
Courtney Valentine  
Shane Walter  
Jason Ward  
Emily Wheeler*



*Jessica Wood  
Joie Woodson*



*Adam Esham stops to buy a notebook before going to class. For the students' benefit, the library provides this machine right outside its doors.*

*Hank Rau, Adam Esham, Lynnsey Purdy, Shane Walter, and Emily Wheeler hand out programs before the National Honor Society Induction begins.*

# Freshmen Look Around

**N**ew friends, new teachers, new activities, new rules. The rude awakening from being "big dogs" at middle school to being the least significant members of the student body set in immediately. Those involved in fall sports and marching band quickly learned to juggle schedules so they could find practice time, study time and valuable sleeping time. Whether in career tech or college prep tracks, they found themselves bogged down with tough classes. Slaving through math homework, taking notes in health, stumbling over foreign language pronunciation, and cramming for English vocabulary quizzes became commonplace activities. In the end, 9th graders kept their composure during this strange year by reminding themselves it would only last 'til June. Pictured to the right are class officers Josh Horr, pres.; Rebecca Grant, treas.; Talitha Malone, v.p.; and Aja Walden, sec.



*Garrett Adams  
Patrick Aquilar  
Erica Ailstock  
Barbie Allen  
Daniel Austin*



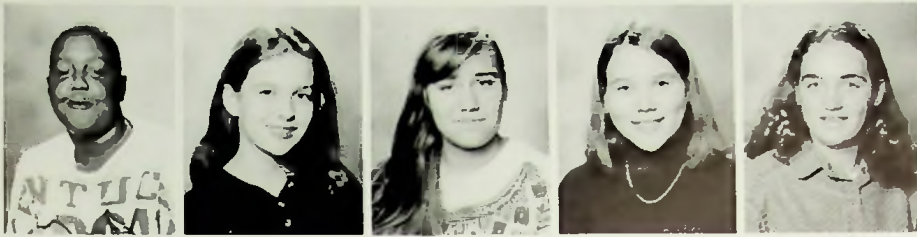
*Michelle Bagby  
Leslee Bailey  
Mandy Benner  
Earl Blevins  
Josh Blevins*



*Creshawn Board  
Shannon Bowen  
Josh Bratchett  
Justin Bratchett  
Akia Brown*







*Kenneth Brown  
Christa Buffinger  
Ginger Burke  
Sarah Burke  
Jenni Burns*



*Micah Burns  
Aisha Carter  
Latoya Cave  
Joe Clark  
Maurice Clark*



*Jamie Colley  
Ernest Collier  
Amanda Cooper  
Jessica Cooper  
Courtney Daniels*



*Amber Davis  
Sarah Davis  
Bronna DeSimone  
Elizabeth Dickey  
Crystal Diller*



*Melody Edwards  
Katie Eggers  
Kathryn Evans  
Penny Fetty  
Craig Fields*



*Christy Fisher  
Angela Fowler  
Craig Fraley  
William Fraley  
Kiery Frye*



*Royal Gentry  
Dallas Gilbert  
Heather Gilliam  
Amy Goodwin  
Elizabeth Gowdy*

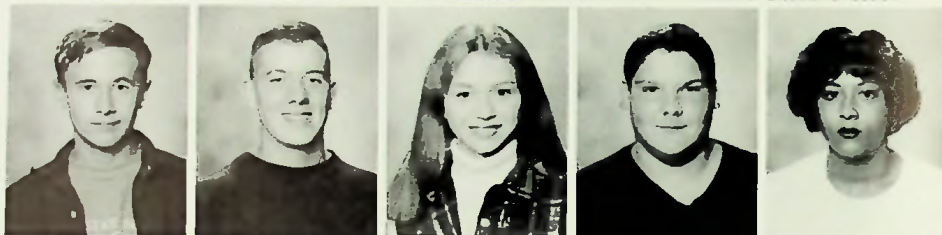
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 Linda Keaton  
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 Chris Knittel  
 Paul Lancaster  
 David Lane  
 Julius Lansing



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 Brenda Loper  
 Jennifer Lykins  
 Mike Malone  
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Alicia Mercer*



*Chris Mills  
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*Erin Neal  
Jay Nelson  
David Newman  
Amanda Nichols  
Misty Nunley*



*Freshmen Joel Stanley and Russell Robinson take their time strolling down 3rd floor hall before seventh period begins.*

*Freshmen Josh Horr, Talitha Malone and Aja Walden stick together while walking up the steps to the 3rd floor after an assembly. Most freshmen classes are found on the 3rd floor.*

*Kandice Pagan  
 Tammy Payne  
 Leslie Pendleton  
 Mandy Pitts  
 David Plew*



*Porsche Pope  
 Savannah Pope  
 Kacee Porter  
 Beth Price  
 Mike Puckett*



*Becky Pyles  
 Missy Queen  
 Adam Ramey  
 Angel Ramey  
 Becky Ramey*



*Laura Rayburn  
 Veronica Rhodes  
 Michael Riggsbee  
 Russell Robinson  
 D.J. Roe*



*Alisha Scott  
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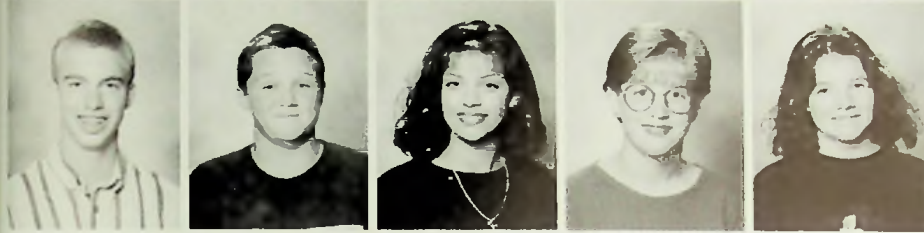


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*Michael Veazey  
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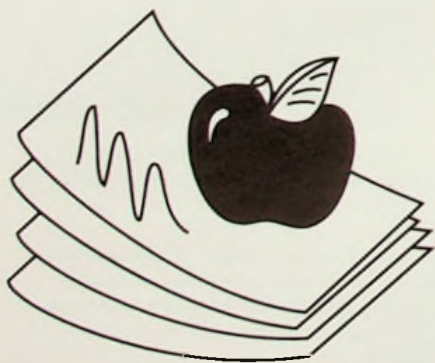
*Josh Bratchett sits alone analyzing the school cafeteria's nachos, one of his favorites for lunch.*

*Freshmen Josh Morris, Erica Howell, Adam Ramey, Josh Horr, and Veronica Rhodes have fun working on vocabulary in Senora Newberry's Spanish I class during 7th period.*



*Mr. Chuck Burke, Teacher Facilitator, and Mrs. Deidra Setters, Dean of Women, assist Mr. Walker in day to day school business. Both spend much time dealing with attendance and discipline matters.*

*School Board members are (R1) Mr. John Adams, vice-president; Mrs. Jackie Enz, president; (R2) Mr. Robert Russell Miller, Mr. Robert L. Stevens, and Mr. W. R. Hickman, Jr.*



*Mr. Tom Walker serves in his third year as PHS principal. Mr. Walker is a graduate of Notre Dame High School and Ohio University.*



Running the guidance office are Mr. Tom Smith and Mrs. Myra Shields. Mr. Smith counsels upperclassmen while Mrs. Shields works mainly with underclassmen.

Mrs. Setters and school nurse Mrs. Helen Wells take part in spirit activities. Mini skirts and platform shoes were definitely in order on Disco Day.



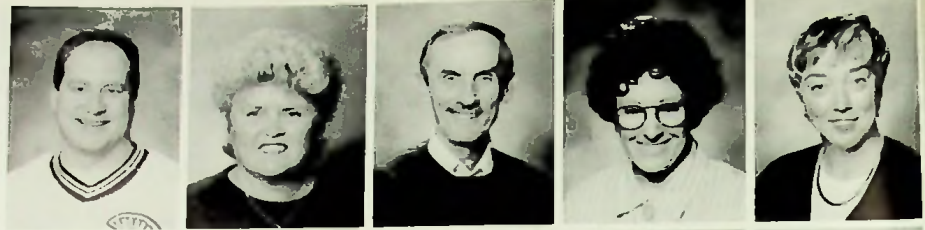
## *Taking Care of Business*



Members of the Administrative Staff are (Rl) Mrs. Bonnie Johnson, Treasurer; Mr. H. Garry Osborn, Superintendent; Mrs. Donna Cunningham, Administrative Assistant; Mr. Ronald L. Jones, Director; Mr. Ralph Applegate, Director; and Mr. R. Michael Osborne, Executive Director.



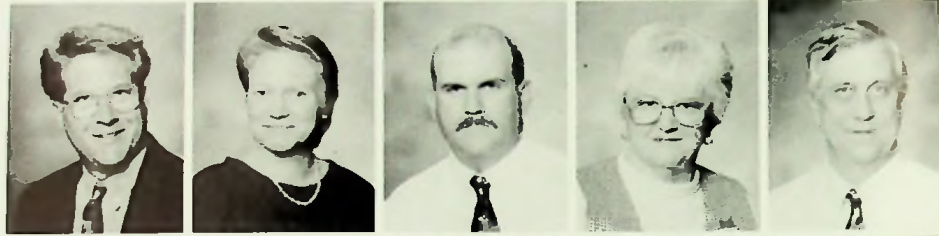
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 Economics  
 Cindy Caudill-DH



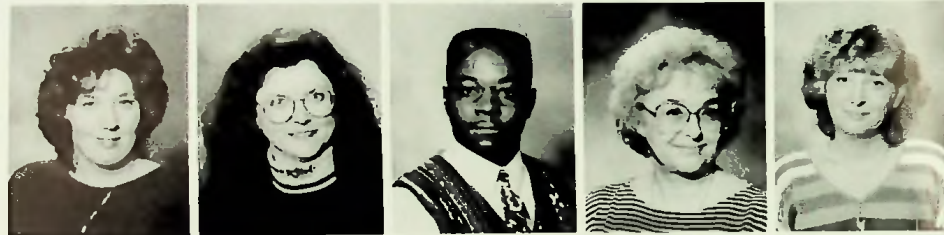
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 Kathy Darnell-Pers. Dev., Life  
 Planning  
 Angie Davis-Guidance Secretary  
 Milinda Davis-SBH



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 Cyndy Fuller-World History  
 Tom Grashel-Civics, Geography  
 Sue Harrison-GRADS  
 Clem Hartley-Biology I, Life  
 Science



Gayle Hopkins-Librarian  
 Linda Howell-Typing  
 Art Lard-Accounting, Business  
 Pat Lucas-English  
 Pam MacNeil-SBH Aide



Eddie Moore-DH  
 Kathy Moore-English  
 Brenda Musser-DH  
 Roberta Newberry-Spanish  
 Linda Poage-Media Technician



*Dressed in tropical attire, Mr. Tom Smith talks to Coach Rhea during a pre-game interview broadcast on WNXI.*

*E-I-E-I-O! SBH teacher Mrs. Davis dresses up as Old MacDonald's wife to show spirit on Farmer Day.*







Doug Poage-English  
 Nicole Potts-French  
 Sharee Price-Art  
 Jim Rhea-OWE  
 Bobbie Simon-Work Study  
 Coordinator

Richard Smalley-Chemistry,  
 Physics, Phys. Science  
 Ann Sommers-Nutrition, Resource  
 Mgmt., Family  
 Mark Spears-Woods, Home  
 Mgmt.  
 Darrell Stephenson-Geometry,  
 Algebra II  
 Janet Stone-Girls' Phys. Ed.

Julie Thornton-Chapter Math  
 John Tipton-Boys' Phys. Ed.  
 Ted Tomko-Biology, Science,  
 ABLE  
 Angie Turner-Algebra I, Applied  
 Math  
 Joe Varacalli-OWE

Bob West-American Government  
 Linda Whitehead-Biology,  
 Anatomy/Physiology  
 Mark Williams-Vocal Music



*Faster than a scientific calculator, more powerful than the highest exponent, able to factor polynomials in a single try...Mild-mannered Mr. Stephenson exposes his true identity as SUPER FIVE during the traditional faculty sing-a-long of "The 12 Days of Christmas."*



*By a special request from Mrs. Brown, the show choir sings "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Mrs. Brown assisted Mr. Williams in directing the piece.*

## Academics

**P**articipating in sports, music, and clubs takes up lots of time at school. However, all agree that class work has to take center stage. Coaches stress the importance of academic success so that athletes meet eligibility standards.

### Looking for Answers

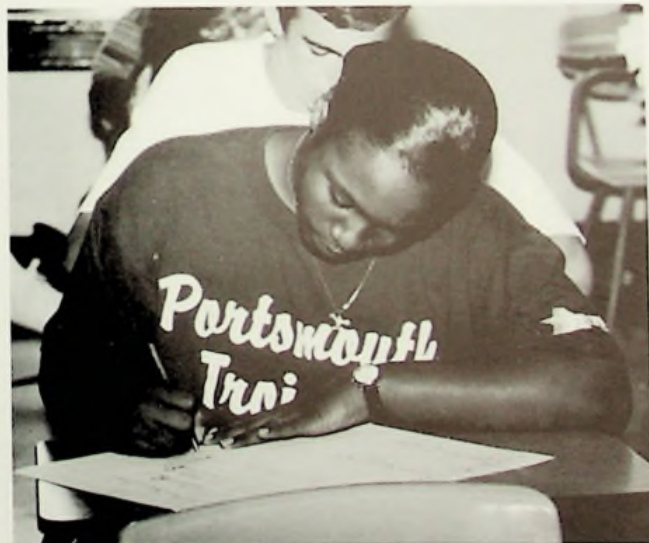
Parents also stress academic success based upon their own life experiences. Eventually, for most students, reality sets in as they themselves realize that looking for answers will help ensure their success in becoming productive members of society.



*Sophomore Hank Rau uses the computer lab in the library with Mr. Baker's help.*

*Freshman Shariff Johnson displays his project about Roman gladiators in Latin I class.*





*Helen Johnson, Sequoia Johnson and Amber Litz participate in an activity in Personal Development. Students learned about reaching personal goals and having a good self-image.*

*Freshmen Michael Veazey and Rebecca Grant decide on answers to questions on their final exams. Students spent two weeks during both semesters completing final exams.*

*Sophomores Emily Wheeler and Tammy Thomas make plans for the video project in Latin II class. Class members completed final taping on Memorial Day weekend.*

*National Latin Exam winners are (R1) Krista Duckett, Heidi Huddleston, Phillip Roberts, Hank Rau; (R2) Leslee Bailey, Rebecca Grant, Cassie Tomlin, Sarah Davis, Sarah Watson; (R3) Erin Neal and Emily Wheeler (not pic-*

*tured). Latin students, along with 93,000 students across the globe, took the test on March 15, known as the Ides of March on the Roman calendar.*



*Heidi Huddleston, Krista Duckett, Phillip Roberts, Emily Wheeler and Tammy Thomas run through the opening scene of their video project. Phillip played the slain Julius Caesar, Emily and Tammy drove a chariot/ambulance, and Heidi and Krista served as Roman EMT's.*

*Freshman Talitha Malone presents a project on Roman styles of dress. Talitha dressed various dolls to show examples of everyday garments worn by ancient men, women, and children.*



Freshman Erin Neal practices noun declension endings on the chalkboard. Learning noun and verb endings makes up a large part of the study of Latin.



# Back to the Future

## Latin Students Bridge Centuries

All roads lead to Rome," says Latin teacher Mrs. Kathie Liles. Students learn the truth of this axiom when they see the many applications of this so-called "dead language" in the modern world. Latin I students learn basic grammar and English words that are derived from Latin vocabulary words. They also research the Roman gods, make valentines, Saturnalia cards and pro-

jects related to Roman daily life. Latin II students master the remaining complex grammar items. Also, they make more elaborate holiday cards and research the lives of ancient people. In a year-ending activity, the class produces a video. This year's video, entitled "CL - Et tu, Brute," was based on the popular tv series "ER" and was filmed on the 4th floor of Mercy Hospital.



Freshman Sarah Watson addresses Latin I classmates. Sarah presented a 3-D project depicting the aqueducts built by the Romans.

"Friends, Romans, Countrymen!" Dressed in toga and laurel wreath, Hank Rau, portrays Marc Antony and addresses the crowd during the Latin II video project.

*Sophomore Cyneca Greene and freshman Dale King sit on the steps on the Waller Street side of the building. The warm and sunny day drew students outside.*



*Junior Meghan Burke hangs out in the Dean's Office between tests. Students with more than one test on exam days had to find ways to pass time as they waited.*



*Sophomore Tyler Hull crams for finals. Dictionaries, notes, and textbooks became the required equipment for students during the last week of school.*



*Mr. Clifford sits on guard duty in the first floor hallway. Teachers who had already given their exams were assigned various monitoring duties.*

*Sophomores Tisha Hardin, Ashley Parker, and Lisa Defoe "catch some rays." Open final exams allowed students to socialize and unwind between classes.*



# Students Finalyze Classes

**W**hen freshmen first hear about final exams, surviving the experience seems like an insurmountable feat. However, after reassurance by teachers and older siblings and friends, even the 9th graders learned that this year-ending phenomenon could be conquered. Following Portsmouth City School Board policy, students took

five parts for year-long courses (three for semester courses). After they realized that two parts are given at the end of first semester, living through the remaining parts at the end of the year became bearable. Seniors took exams during the two weeks prior to graduation. Other students finished up the last week in June.



*Sophomore Hank Rau takes a close look at the questions on the Latin II exam. Foreign languages were scheduled as the last finals of the year.*

*Sophomore Brandy Aldridge drills herself as she studies notes. Brandy's study preference was solitude and isolation.*



*Sophomore Niraj Patel looks for information for a school project by surfing on the internet which provides a wealth of information for researchers.*

*Junior Chris Vetter gets ready to load a video game disk. Computers in the library can be used for work or entertainment.*



*Junior Scott Leslie and freshman Russell Robinson laugh as they look at jokes that they found on Netscape.*



*Mr. Baker helps sophomore Hank Rau with a problem on a computer. Workers in the library are on hand to assist computer users.*

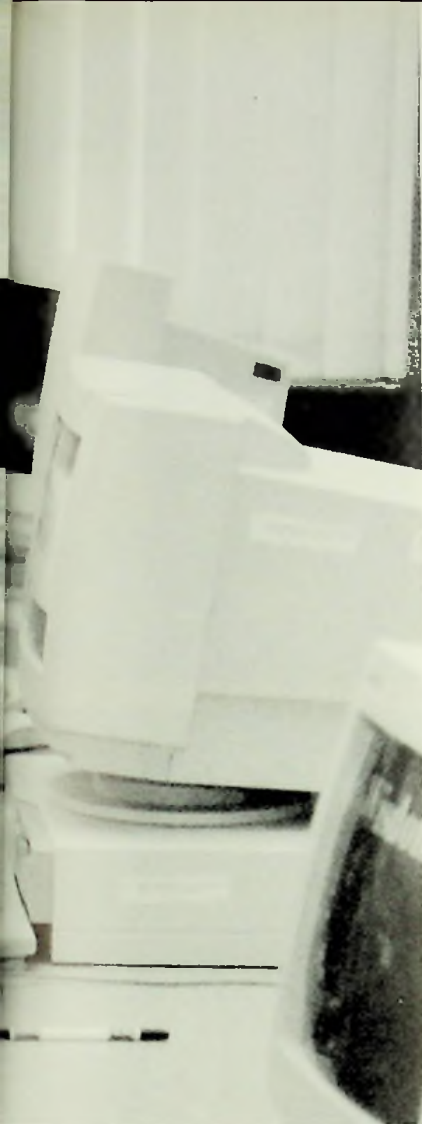




# Surfin' the Net

**A**utomation invaded the building with computers being added in the library and in some teachers' rooms. Internet hook-up also caused excitement as both students and teachers surfed the vast resources now available. Computers in the library proved to be very beneficial. Students played games, typed out research papers, and explored the internet. Students and teachers discovered that the internet offers the opportunity to study interactively with other people around

the world. Uses ranged from talking on social chat lines to gathering information on various topics. Sometimes students brought in their own disks for personal use and they also used informational CD-ROM disks. Mrs. Gayle Hopkins and Mrs. Linda Poage supervised the use of computers in the library. While Mrs. Hopkins was on leave, Mr. John Baker filled in. All of these staff members have had extensive training with the new computers.



*Freshmen Adrian Soard and Shannon McKinley look over the sports scores on the internet which has up-to date sports information at any time.*

*Sophomore Michael Newsome uses the new Macintosh computer. This computer has audio for its programs and can also play CD's.*



*Freshman Chris Mills draws a picture on a computer. With the paint brush function, students can draw or sketch just like with pen and paper.*



# Alive & Cookin'

Thinking about the future? Worried about adult responsibilities? The Home Economics department offered many opportunities for students in life skills. Classes such as Parenting, Life Planning, and Personal Development were taught by Mrs. Kathy Darnell, while Mrs. Ann Sommers taught Family Relations, Nutrition and Wellness, and Resource Management. These classes covered important areas by teaching students to become self-sufficient, by instilling responsibility, and

by teaching decision-making skills. Students also engaged in a variety of activities in the community. For example, several students visited the pediatric ward at SOMC during Halloween. Home Ec students also learned about the history of Portsmouth including what the city looked like 25 years ago and how it has changed. When asked about these classes, Zannetta Parker said, "You come out with a lot of knowledge in different areas. Everyone should take Home Ec!"



*Michael Rigby, Amy Litz, Sequoia Johnson, Mike Malone and Seth Taylor bury some of their belongings for a project in Personal Development. Class members buried the objects that they thought kept them from achieving certain goals such as getting rid of bad attitudes and having academic success.*

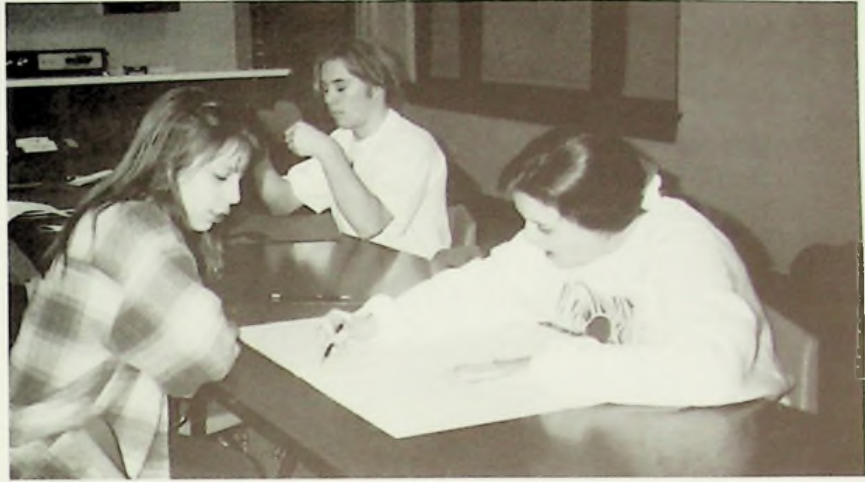
*Freshman Sequoia Johnson carefully opens the oven door to check the brownies that she baked for a project in Nutrition and Wellness. Sequoia said, "Baking is one of my favorite things to do."*





*Amber Litz, Tyson Murta, Marisol Sanchez, Mrs. Sommers, Amanda Preston, and Amy Litz attend a Blizzard hockey game in Huntington, West Virginia.*

*Debbie Vasquez, Christian Funksjo, and Candace Pagan prepare for Valentine's Day. Home Ec students sponsored a door decorating contest for this holiday.*



*Students from Mrs. Darnell's parenting class show off their "flour babies." Pictured are (R1) Nathan Mullins, Tabitha Gartin, Jessica Loper, Bethany Wells; (R2) Shawn Feeman, Mandy Buck, Jamie Collins, Kim J. Underwood, and Michelle Ramey. Students kept their "babies" with them and cared for them for one week.*

*Amanda Preston and Michael McQuinley just "got married." Students in Family Relations class planned all stages of a mock wedding for future use.*

# SPORTS

**W**hat does it take to win? Coaches try to gain the edge by offering these pearls of wisdom to their charges: practice - practice - practice ... work hard ... make sacrifices ... stay in shape ... eat your Wheaties ...

## Looking to Win

The Trojan Tradition dictates that athletes act nobly and do whatever it takes to be winners. More often than not, this formula brings a check mark in the winner's column. But even when the results fall short of victory, as long as athletes do their best, coaches, families and fans take pride in their efforts and accomplishments.



*With a funnel cloud looming, Katie Eggers awaits the pitch at the sectional tournament.*

*Junior Qiana Froe manages a difficult jump shot for the Lady Trojans varsity team.*



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*Junior Jeremy Whitt exhibits agility and strength on the soccer field. Jeremy catches senior teammate Sean Waugh in the knee while going for the ball.*



*Senior track team member Nathan Mullins hits the sand after his attempt at the long jump. Nathan's personal record in this event is 20 feet and 3 inches.*

# We've Got Spirit

Unlike most sports, cheerleading is a year-round experience and the task of raising spirit seems a never ending challenge. Not long after tryouts, the Varsity and JV squads attended a UCA camp from June 12-14. Both squads received superior trophies and Rebecca Grant, Erin Neal, Annie Swanson, Amy Lester and Ginger Aldridge were named All-Stars. As summer ended, Varsity and JV alike, practiced cheers for football games and they performed in the River Days Parade. In addition, fund raising kept

the Varsity busy as they bought new uniforms and sweaters. Then instead of resting at the end of football season, they prepared for basketball games. Also, Varsity captain Aldridge and co-captain Lester traveled to NYC where they spent 6 days sightseeing and performing in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Basketball season kept both squads busy until the end of February. Then, with no graduating seniors, veterans and new hopefuls continued the cycle by going through tryouts again in late spring.



*Members of the JV squad are (R1) co-captain Rebecca Grant, Shannon Bowen, Erica Howell, co-capt. Missy Queen; (R2) Jessica Cooper, Amy Goodwin, Leslie Pendleton; (R3) Jennifer Mitchell, Erin Neal, Talitha Malone, Aja Walden; and (R4) Cassie Tomlin.*

*Amy Goodwin, Shannon Bowen, and Erica Howell cheer as the freshman play the Ironton Tigers. Cheering at freshman and JV games and at some Varsity home games kept the JV's busy.*





*Krista Duckett and Brandy Glenn cheer at the homecoming game. Krista said, "Cheering is fun--when it's not raining!"*

*Varsity cheerleaders are (R1) K. O'Connor, B. Glenn; (R2) K. Duckett, G. Aldridge; (R3) M. Jordan, A. Lester & A. Swanson.*



*Junior captain Ginger Aldridge and sophomore co-captain Amy Lester take a bus ride to the NBC studios in Hoboken, NJ for a taped audition. The UCA All-Star Cheerleaders performed in front of the parade officials.*



*JV cheerleader Talitha Malone cheers in the River Days Parade.*



*The All-Star Cheerleaders dance to the Olympic Anthem as they pass Times Square in NYC. Some cheerleaders carried different colored pompons to represent the five Olympic rings. The hot-air balloon Izzy, which is the official Olympic mascot, followed the cheerleaders.*

# Football Survives Rough Season

“Gimme all you got...that’s all I ask for!” Coach Clifford’s words rang in the ears of the players during every pre-game pep talk. However, even with weekly pep talks and strong effort by team members, the final stats showed disappointing results. The opening game was against the Chillicothe Cavaliers. However, the excitement of Hall of Fame Night quickly dwindled with a 12-29 loss. Next, the gridiron warriors battled the West Siders and suffered a 15-35 loss. The team returned home for the third game to face Columbus Mifflin. The Trojans came up short again 21-50. The team then headed across the river to take on the Ashland Tomcats. The Tomcats overcame a first half deficit to defeat the Trojans 32-16. As the season peaked, so did the Trojans. They traveled to Columbus Independence and came

out on top with a 44-19 victory. Next, while visiting Ironton, the Trojans were outmuscled. Lexington Dunbar traveled to Spartan Stadium for the homecoming game. The Trojans were defeated 34-7. A long road trip to Gallipolis added another defeat. The final road trip was to Miami Trace. Even though the Trojans fell, Kirk Thompson broke the school record in tackles. Kirk said, “It feels great considering all the great players that have played for Portsmouth.” The season ended with a loss to the Wheelersburg Pirates. However, Robbie Bratchett broke the 1,000 yard rushing mark. Two players received All-Ohio: Kirk Thompson, 2nd team; Robbie Bratchett, honorable mention. District honors went to Kirk Thompson and Robbie Bratchett, 1st team; Jesse Johnson, Jeremy Glass, and Tyler Hull, honorable mention.



*On a defensive stand at West, Jesse Johnson crosses face on a West offensive lineman while*

*Timmy Dodds, Bill Bowen, and Kirk Thompson swarm on the tackle.*





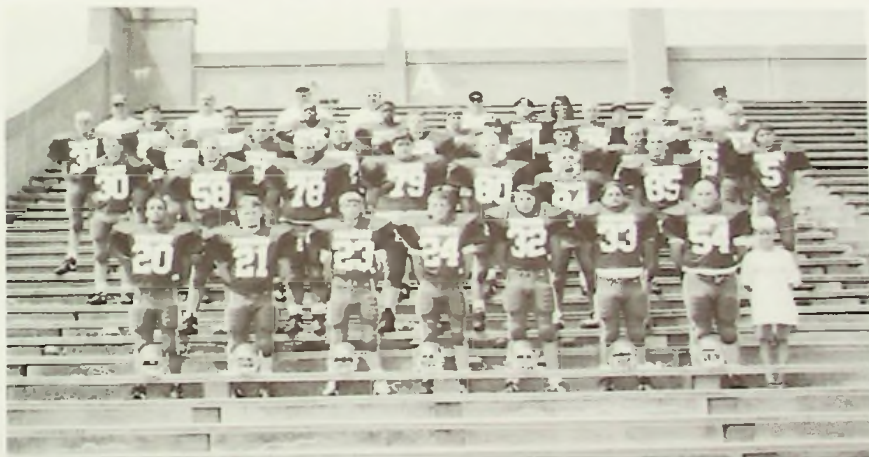


Senior center *Jeremy Glass* scolds senior fullback *Todd Knittel* on the sidelines during a defensive drive as *Coach Thompson* and other players listen in. "Don't go down until you cross the goal line!" *Jeremy* warned.

During an offensive timeout, *Coach Clifford* explains to fullback *Kirk Thompson*, "Kirk, you block...Robbie scores...it's that simple!!!" *Kirk* broke the school record for the number of tackles per season with 198. The old school record was 167 tackles.

### SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Chillicothe	12-29
West	15-35
Columbus Mifflin	21-50
Ashland	16-32
Independence	44-19
Ironton	14-41
Lex. Dunbar	7-34
Gallipolis	20-41
Miami Trace	14-28
Wheelersburg	30-48



Members of the varsity football team are (R1) *Robbie Bratchett*, *Todd Knittel*, *Brian Barney*, *Brad Daniels*, *Ryan Duncan*, *Bill Bowen*, *Jeremy Glass*, *Mgr. Tyler Clifford*; (R2) *Ivan Hammond*, *Jesse Johnson*, *Jon Hayes*, *Derek Hargarty*, *Micah Smith*, *Mike Benner*; (R3) *Craig Martz*, *Kirk Thompson*, *Scott Leslie*, *Ricky Rammel*, *Bobby Eggers*, *Timmy Dodds*, *Joey Estep*, *Aaron MacDonald*, *Tyler Hull*,

*Joe Jones*; (R4) *Todd Barney*, *Heath Glass*, *Lance Bray*, *Chris McKinley*, *Curtis Parker*, *Marcus Fraley*, *Bobby Huffman*, *Adam Roberts*, *Tim Llewellyn*, *Donnie Igou*; (R5) *Coach Joe Albrecht*, *Coach Tom Grashel*, *Head Coach Curt Clifford*, *Coach Ed Thompson*, *Coach Greg Hickman*, *Trainer Johnda Wireman*, *Mgr. Mark Aeh*, *Coach Chuck Burke*, and *Coach Randy Nelson*.

*During the final freshmen game, which was played against Ironton, Coach Burke calls the defense together for a pep talk. Coach Burke boldly states his words of wisdom, "Don't let 'em take our perfect season away!"*

*During an offensive timeout, Robbie Bratchett, Bill Bowen, and Todd Knittel listen closely for Coach Clifford's next call. Senior captain Robbie Bratchett remarked, "I was excited to hear Coach call lead-draw because I got to run."*



*Tyler Hull audibles a play to his teammates as they get ready to move toward a first down against the Lexington Dunbar Bisons.*





# Freshmen Finish on Top

**L**ed by Coach Chuck Burke, the freshmen enjoyed a successful season. Playing a tough schedule, the freshmen rolled over all their opponents with a 5-0 record. The freshmen opened hosting the Piketon Red Streaks. This was thrilling for the young Men of Troy since it was their first time to take the field inside Spartan Stadium. Another highlight of the season was the

fact that these gridiron rookies were not even scored on until the 4th game of the season. This game, against the Greenup Co. Musketeers, saw a tied-up score until late in the 4th quarter. With 18 seconds left on the clock, Maurice Clark caught a touchdown pass in the end zone. Then in the final game against the Ironton Tigers, the team held on to a victory and made their perfect season a reality.

*Members of the freshman team are (R1) Aaron Mamas, Mike Greer, D.J. Roe, Josh Bratchett, Mike Malone, Nathan King, Adam Elliot; (R2) Coach Randy Nelson, Josh Morris, Chris Morgan, Josh Blevins, Dale King, Daniel Aus-*

*tin, Dusty James, and Coach Chuck Burke; (R3) Jayson Nelson, Akia Brown, Josh Horr, Bobby Manchester, Ernest Collier, Adrian Sword, and Kiery Frye.*



*Freshman Bob Manchester, defensive tackle, and Josh Morris, defensive end, bring down an Ironton running back during a goal-line defense.*

*Akia Brown looks for room to run as he heads to the end zone for a touchdown. Akia led the freshman team in rushing and scoring.*

## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Piketon	20-0
Minford	32-0
Northwest	34-0
Greenup	28-20
Ironton	22-14

# What's All the Racket?

## SCOREBOARD

at Marietta	3-2
Jackson	5-0
at Washington, C.H.	5-0
at Chillicothe	4-1
Marietta	3-2
Circleville	5-0
Washington, C.H.	5-0
at Wheelersburg	3-2
at Jackson	3-2
Wheelersburg	2-3
at Lancaster	3-2
Chillicothe	3-2
Athens	5-0
at Circleville	5-0

With two-a-day practices beginning in early August, the Girls' Tennis team braved the hot weather to take to the courts. Since there were no freshmen on the team, the experienced players underwent grueling challenges to set the line up.

Before school was even in session, the team had already traveled to Marietta to begin a winning streak. Midseason, the Lady Trojans had a strong showing at the Grove City Tournament by winning the runner-up trophy, being beaten only by the

Columbus School for Girls who later won at the state level.

With a record of 16-3, several players engaged in postseason action by traveling to Muskingum College for sectional tournaments. The doubles teams of Lora Beth Daniels and Brooke Pratt and Erica Herrmann and Ali Lacy advanced to the district tournament. Herrmann, who was the team captain, and Lacy made it to the final round, bowing out only one match away from the state tournament.



Members of the Girls' Tennis team are (R1) Kristi Smith, Erica Herrmann, Ali Lacy, Alex Copley, Tiffany Hickman; (R2) Coach Janet Stone, Devon Kitchen, Brooke Pratt, Lynnsey Purdy, Tessa Brown, Lora Beth Daniels, Amy Lester, Janet Miller, Stephanie Born, Lindsey Copley, Amy Battle, Cielita Morton, and Krista Lallow.

With racket in motion, sophomore singles player Brooke Pratt connects with a powerful return from her opponent.





*Tiffany Hickman concentrates on the ball as she hits a solid backhand. Tiffany was part of the very successful 2nd doubles team.*

*While guarding the net, Krista Lallow turns to lend a word of encouragement to her second doubles partner Tiffany Hickman.*



*Number one singles player L.B. Daniels prepares to ace another opponent. Daniels faced some of the toughest players in the state.*

*Tiffany Hickman, Brooke Pratt, Lindsey Copley, Erica Herrmann, and Ali Lacy anxiously wait for the match to begin. Herrmann and Lacy, both 4th year players, ended the season with a record of 23-3.*

# Golfers Club Opponents

With a small team sporting no senior members and only one junior, Mr. Buck Whitely made his debut as head golf coach. This shortage of experienced upperclassmen, combined with a challenging schedule, helped to bring about a rough season for the local linksters. Sophomore Adam Esham, who was low medalist for the year, led the team to three victories. The Elks Country Club served as a practice course and home course for the golfers. Junior David Lykins, Esham,

freshman Barrett Scurlock, and freshman Jenni Burns, the lone female member of the team, spent so much time from August to October at the Elks that it became almost their second home. At the team banquet, also held at the Elks, Jenni Burns was named most improved, and Adam Esham was named MVP. When asked, to explain his winning style, Adam remarked, "I try to pattern my play after Greg Norman because of his style of play and positive attitude.



*Junior David Lykins sizes up a shot as he practices a new swing at the driving range before the golf match versus South Point.*



*Jenni Burns watches in awe as her putt rolls down the long green and sinks into the hole for a birdie.*



*"The more sand, the better!" exclaims Adam Esham as he chips his ball out of the sand bunker during a match at the Elks.*

#### SCOREBOARD

Opponent		Score
Gallia Academy	L	211
at South Point	L	197
Wheelersburg	L	206
Chillicothe	L	223
at West	W	207
Northwest	W	211
at Ironton	L	236
at Fairland	L	214
at Clay	L	205
West	L	211
East	L	205
at Wheelersburg	L	212
at Gallia Academy	L	205
Fairland	L	205
Ironton	L	198
South Point	L	206
at Chillicothe	L	206

#### Golf Favorites

Player..... Greg Norman  
 Course..... Elks  
 Club..... Driver  
 Ball..... Titleist



*Barrett Scurlock plays a difficult shot from the fairway onto the green to set up a putt for par.*



*Members of the golf team are (L-R) Coach Buck Whitely, Jennifer Burns, David Lykins, Adam Esham, and Barrett Scurlock.*

# Booters Get Their Kicks

As soccer continues to grow in popularity, diversity of team members continues to expand. Although still a male-dominated sport, a few girls found their way to the team as 4 joined the ranks this year. Those breaking tradition were Lindi Hughes, Kelly Austin, Linsee Shepherd and Emily Wheeler.

Coach Mark Spears returned after an absence of three years. Commenting on his return, Coach Spears said, "I enjoy working with the athletes at PHS since I see them everyday at school." Juniors Scott Moore, Jeremy Whitt, and Chris Spinnati, and senior Keith Charles were chosen All-District.



*Junior Luke Bawazer knees the ball away as he shouts, "Move over, Pele!"*

*Members are (R1) Luke Bawazer, Keith Charles, Linsee Shepherd, Kelly Austin, Emily Wheeler; (R2) Coach Mark Spears, Caleb Wittenmyer, Matt Montavon, Sean Waugh, Jeremy Whitt, O.J. Toller, Lindi Hughes, and Chris Spinnati.*

## SCOREBOARD

Ashland	0-7
Minford	3-8
South Webster	3-5
South Point	3-4
Athens	5-4
Rose Hill	5-2
Chillicothe	3-9
Wheelersburg	1-5
South Point	1-3
Clay	3-4
Wheelersburg	1-8
Minford	0-6
Rose Hill	2-3
Northwest	0-4
South Webster	0-1
Clay	5-3
South Point	Tournament 1-3







Senior Keith Charles chases the ball down. Keith said about the season, "The thing I remember most is beating Clay which was the last game."

Christian Funksjo races down the field. Christian said, "My worst regret was breaking my leg and being unable to help the team finish the season."



Injured halfback Linsee Shepherd relaxes before halftime. Linsee stated, "My favorite part of the year was the bus trips!"

Senior captain Sean Waugh attempts to dribble around a South Point defender. The soccer team dropped this home game which was the third meeting with the Panthers.

First year halfback Emily Wheeler deflects the arms of an opposing player. "It makes me really mad when the guys on the opposing teams don't take girls on our team seriously!" remarked Emily.

*Coach West calls the Varsity team together. Viveca Clay advises Ginger Aldridge. "Concentrate and hustle!"*



## Bump, Set, Spike!

**B**ump - set - spike...these words rang loud in the air at GMS as Coach Bob West barked drills to players throughout practice. Asst. Coach Mary Tomlin took the reins as head coach when Mr. West left because of the birth of his son. Coach Tomlin's key motivating phrase was "Are we gonna play 100%?" Led by captain Viveca Clay, the Varsity chalked up two victories. The JV team, led by rotating cap-

tains, also managed two victories. In sectional tournament play at South Webster, the Varsity saw the season end with a defeat by Ironton. At the banquet held at the Ramada Inn, Viveca Clay won the award for the most spikes, as well being named MVP. Junior Candy Price won the award for most points. Freshmen Cassie Tomlin, named most improved player, also won the award for most sets.



*Junior Candy Price starts the match with first serve. Candy plays setter for the Varsity team.*



*Members of the Varsity team are (R1) Bethany Grant, Cassie Tomlin, Erin Neal, Michelle Bradley, Candy Price; (R2) Coach Bob West,*

*Katie Eggers, Viveca Clay, Rebecca Grant, Angie Thuma, Susan Cablish, and Mandy Pitts.*



*Junior Ginger Aldridge gets in position as she waits for a New Boston player to serve the ball. "I was really nervous because New Boston is known for strong serves."*

*Freshman Cassie Tomlin concentrates on getting the serve over the net. Cassie's mother served as asst. coach for the team.*



*Members of the JV team are (R1) Brandy Aldridge, Ginger Aldridge, Meghan Burke, Amy Goodwin, Tia Hairston; (R2) Coach Bob West,*

*Courtney Daniels, Sarah Watson, Cyneca Greene, Courtney Valentine, Amanda Hardin, and Sarah Pulver.*



*Senior Viveca Clay returns to position after bumping the ball over the net. As team leader Viveca encouraged team members to "Concentrate and keep your eyes on the ball."*

# Cross Country Sets the Pace

When the sun shone the hottest in August, the harriers met with Coach Rocky Fields to begin a grueling training season. The boys' team was made up of upperclassmen, none of whom were veteran runners. The boys competed in several meets and stayed competitive. The girls' team, on the other hand, had no junior or senior members. However, they remained a strong team anchored by the legs of sophomores Heidi Huddleston and

Tammy Thomas. Heidi capped off the season by placing 22nd in the District meet held at Rio Grande. When asked about the season, Coach Rocky Fields declared, "The team worked extremely hard and had good results even though I felt this would be a rebuilding year." Heidi and Tammy also qualified to run in the AAU National Cross Country Champions meet held in Joplin, Missouri on December 2.



*Coach Rocky Fields encourages team members Matt Montavon and Brandon Lacy to run hard to beat their personal records. Brandon, in response to this pep talk, says "Are you nuts?"*

*However, Coach Fields recalls that this was one of Brandon's finest performances of the season, in front of many supporting Trojan fans.*



*Jack Howbert and Heidi Huddleston take off from the starting line trying to set the pace. Heidi consistently finished as one of the top runners in the area.*





Trojan harriers react to the sound of the gun in an attempt to get a leg up on the competition at one of several invitationals.

After 20 minutes of nonstop running on the home course Brandon Lacy sees the finish line and kicks it into high gear, struggling to finish the 3.2-mile race.



Members of the cross country team are (R1) Heidi Huddleston, Sarah Watson, and Coach Rocky Fields. (R2) Tammy Thomas, Brandon Lacy, Nathan Mullins, Jack Howert, Matt Montavon;



Completing the entire course is Tammy Thomas' objective. Tammy declares, "It was hard to run at the Portsmouth Invitational because it was so hot and humid."

# New Era Begins

The beginning of a new season brought young players into the spotlight. Many sophomores found themselves catapulted into starting positions and they felt the pressures of playing bigger and better teams than they were used to. Along with the trend of young, inexperienced players taking major roles, a new head coach was also unveiled. However, Coach Jim Rhea worked through his first season with some unfavorable outcomes. But compiling a first year record of 4-15 didn't lessen his commitment. "This season was enjoyable for me. The players worked hard all the time and they had good attitudes. I consider them winners despite our record," commented Coach Rhea. He added, "I owe a lot of gratitude to those seniors who stuck in there and were role models for the younger players."

To analyze the season, hopes were

high when the Trojans opened by beating the West Siders in the Wendy's Tip-Off Tournament. This win was closely followed by a hard-fought victory on the road at South Point. However, these high hopes were dashed as the Trojan cagers lost the next 9 games. Then, bad weather caused game cancellations which shortened the season. After a two week lay-off, the team came back with a sound victory over Vinton County. But the next 3 games also saw the hoopsters come up short. Then they rebounded with a convincing win after making the long trip to Albany Alexander. Following this was the last regular season game which culminated in a disappointing loss to the Lewis County Lions. Tournament play was also short lived as the team fell to the Ironton Fighting Tigers in sectional play held at South Webster High School.

## SCOREBOARD

Portsmouth West	90-48
Wheelersburg	68-92
at South Point	65-60
Lancaster	40-62
at Chillicothe	45-85
at Ironton	60-108
Rock Hill	65-67
at Williamson, WVA	60-80
Cardington	52-80
Westerville South	40-80
at Rock Hill	57-67
Gallipolis	42-49
Vinton County	87-74
Ironton	54-94
at Hillsboro	75-64
at Minford	66-96
at Alexander	64-51
Lewis County	77-85
Ironton (Sectional)	61-96

*Senior Robbie Bratchett waits for the game to resume. Commenting on his last season Robbie said, "Even though basketball isn't my favorite sport, I enjoyed it because it helped to keep me in shape for track."*





*Sophomore captain Tyler Hull goes up for a shot during the last game of the regular season. Tyler remarked, "This was the year that I had to grow up as a player."*

*New head coach Jim Rhea gives his players a pre-game pep talk. "Play with discipline! Keep yourselves under control!" instructed Coach Rhea.*



*Senior Brian Barney attempts to dribble around a defender during Senior Night, the last regular season home game. Brian won the award for being the most consistent foul shooter with a 78% accuracy rate.*



*Members of the Varsity team are (R1) Joey Estep, Jon Estep, Brian Barney, Corey Johnson, Frankie Honaker, Todd Barney, Shane Walter; (R2) Coach Jim Rhea, Robbie Bratchett, Timmy Dodds, Joey Babcock, Jason Priode, Kirk Thompson, Tyler Hull, Ryan Fields, Chris McKinley, and Coach Mark Spears.*

*Junior captain Kirk Thompson puts up a shot. Kirk led the team in rebounding, scoring and steals. He was also selected 3rd team All-District.*

*Freshman Shannon McKinley cuts through the defenders in an attempt to score. Shannon split his time between the JV and Varsity teams.*



*Sophomore Jonathan Estep dribbles down the court determined to score. Jon, a first year starter, recorded the most assists for the varsity team.*



*Sophomore Joey Babcock tries to pass the ball as he is guarded by the Lewis County defender. Joey came off the bench to relieve his teammates at the forward position.*



*Sophomore Timmy Dodds, with strong resolution, drives to the basket. Timmy filled in at the post position at various times this season.*







**JV BASKETBALL** - The JV team compiled a season record of 5-9. Members of the team are Aaron MacDonald, Todd Barney, Curtis

Parker, Ryan Fields, Bobby Eggers, Shannon McKinley, Chris McKinley, Shane Walter, Shannon Bowling, and Coach Mark Spears.



**FRESHMAN BASKETBALL** - With a 12-2 season record, the Freshman team members are (R1) Joe Greene, Josh Bratchett, Charles Sweatt, Mike Malone, Shariff Johnson, Tony

Johnson, Joel Stanley; (R2) Jay Nelson, Akia Brown, Josh Kegley, Josh Horr, Caleb Wittenmyer, Seth Taylor, and Maurice Clark. Not pictured is Coach Jeff Lisath.

Varsity members are (R1) Linsee Shepherd, Kerri Elliott, Lora Beth Daniels, Brooke Pratt, Lynnsey Purdy; (R2) Coach Richard Smalley,

Qiana Froe, Kyan Parker, Lindi Hughes, Christina Maxie and Katie Eggers.



## Lady Trojans Travel

**B**e aggressive! "I want you to dive for the loose ball!" These words by Coach Richard Smalley dictated the style of play for Girls' Basketball. Coach Smalley said, "I feel that our aggressive style of defense allowed us to be more competitive this year." Aggressive play obviously paid off as the Lady Trojans won the 1st three games by defeating Manchester, Ironton and North Adams. However, they lost the next 3 games in a row. Then a major highlight came as they annihilated the East Tartans 64-19. Another big game followed with the 2nd meeting with Ironton. A last second shot by

L.B. Daniels fell through the net as the final buzzer sounded. Other highlights included 2 wins over Notre Dame and a 2nd win over North Adams. However, the season ended on a down note with a sectional tournament loss to Fairland. High scorer for the game was Kiki Froe with 16 points. At the banquet Brooke Pratt won the award for most steals and assists and Lindi Hughes was named leading rebounder. Kyan Parker, named 3rd team All-District, won the award for leading scorer. Honorable Mention district honors went to L.B. Daniels.



The season record for the JV team was 7-5. Members are (R1) Linsee Shepherd, Talitha Malone; (R2) Coach Richard Smalley, Man-

dy Pitts, Christina Maxie, Wendi Burns, and Barbie Allen.

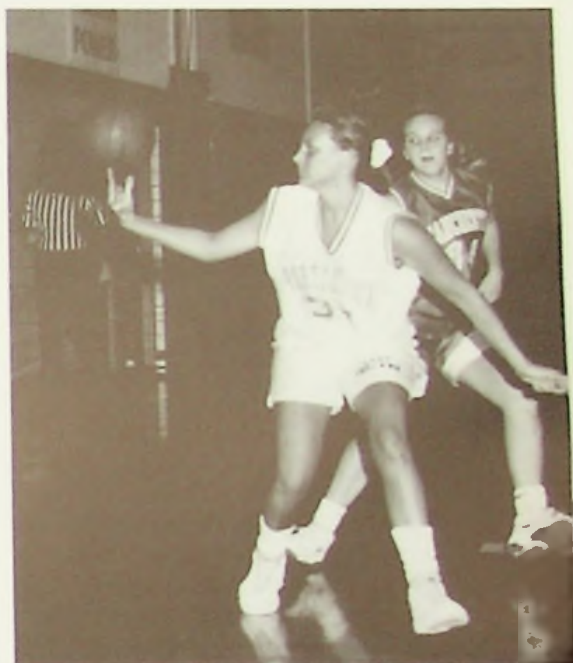


Sophomore Brooke Pratt tries to block a pass during the final game of the season. Brooke led the team in assists by averaging 3.4 per game.



*Lynnsey Purdy fights for the ball against Manchester. Lynnsey started varsity as a guard for the second year in a row.*

*Sophomore L.B. Daniels tries to regain control of the basketball on an inbounds play. L.B. said, "I felt pressure because I knew if I dribbled the ball down the court, Coach Smalley would get mad at me."*



*During a timeout at Coal Grove Coach Smalley instructs his team. Coach Smalley warned,*

*"Be patient with your offense and hustle to get back on defense."*

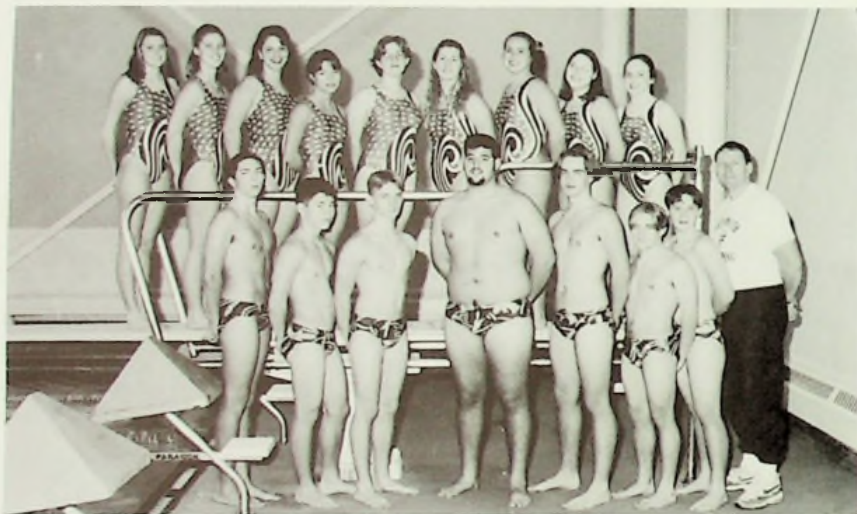


*Junior Kyan Parker dribbles toward the basket looking for another 2 points. Kyan was the leading scorer, as she averaged 14.5 points per game.*

# Swimmers Dive In

**D**on't breathe under the flags!" With these words, Coach Bob West continually urged swim team members to get the best possible times. After an absence of one year Coach West returned to help the team continue the winning ways he had initiated. Senior Ali Lacy and juniors Emily Newman and Alexander Curtis served as tri-captains. In addition to the captains, the veterans included sophomore

Donnie Igou and junior Annie Swanson, who combined with strong first year swimmers to compile a 9-3 record. Several members advanced to the district tournament at OSU. They included Lacy, Newman, Curtis, Igou, sophomores Kelly Austin and Joe Jones, junior Luke Bawazer, and freshman Sarah Watson. Lacy and Curtis were named co-MVP. Amy Lester and Jones were named Most Improved.



*Members are (R1) Alexander Curtis, Joe Jones, Don Igou, Chris Vetter, Jeremy Whitt, Christian Funksjo, Adam Elliot, Coach West; (R2) Ali Lacy, Emily Newman, Amy Lester, Kelly Austin, Sarah Watson, Marisol Sanchez, Tessa Brown, Sarah Burke, and Michelle Bagby.*

*Freshman Sarah Burke nervously awaits the gun as she prepares to take off. As a novice, Sarah swam freestyle for the team.*



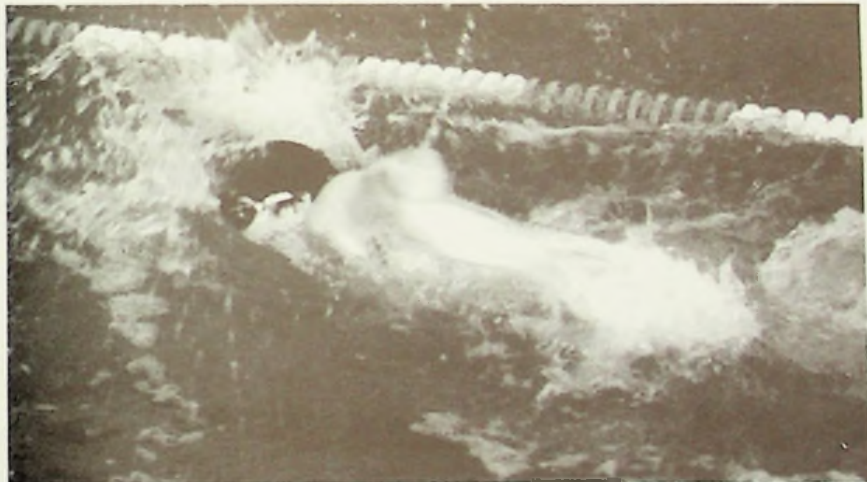
*Emily Newman, Sarah Watson, and Ali Lacy get ready to practice flip turns. The three were members of the 200 meter freestyle and 200 medley relays.*



*Annie Swanson pushes hard as she finishes in the 100 meter breast stroke. This is the third year Annie has swum in this event showing constant improvement each year.*



*Junior Jeremy Whitt focuses on the many aspects of a tough race while he awaits the start. Jeremy swam freestyle for the swim team.*



*Junior Alexander Curtis strokes through the water as he finishes the 200 meter freestyle. Alexander broke his own record many times in this event.*

*Freshman Michelle Bagby prepares to put on her goggles before she practices a flip turn. "Michelle swam well as a first year swimmer," said Coach West.*

# Trojans Play Hardball

## SCORES

Fleming County	7-8
Lewis County	5-2
Greenfield McClain	5-4
North Adams	20-4
Western Brown	18-11
Mason County	5-2
Mason County	1-0
Ironton	1-9
Russell	14-11
Raceland	8-6
Ironton	7-5
South Point	6-2
Wheelersburg	2-5
Rock Hill	12-0

## Tournament

South Point (Sectional)	6-4
New Lexington (District)	9-5
Athens (District)	3-1
River View (Regional)	1-2

Following the lead of the pros, the baseball team headed south for warm weather to jump start the season. The pre-season trip proved successful with 3 victories in 4 games, including a 5-3 win over the team from Merritt Island, Florida, which was ranked 17th in class 5A. Highlights in the regular season included an 18-11 thrashing of Western Brown with Bill Bowen smashing a grand slam and a 12-0 tromping of Rock Hill with Kirk Thompson hitting 2 homeruns. With a strong spring showing, hopes were high for tournament play. Led by senior ace Brian Barney, the Trojans took the Division II sectional crown 6-4 over South Point. In district play, Barney offered

another strong showing on the mound as the Trojans advanced to the finals 9-5 over New Lexington. Hoping for revenge against Athens who eliminated the Trojans from the tournament in 1995, the team played tough defense and took the district title with a final score of 3-1. However, luck finally turned her head on the team in the regional semi-finals as the River View Bears defeated the Men of Troy in a 2-1 heart breaker. Led by Coach Doug Poage, the Trojans managed a 17-6 season record. Players attributed a large part of the success to Coach Poage's philosophy of "believe in yourself and your teammates and expect to win."



Varsity team members are (R1) Shane Walter, Joey Estep, Joe Jones, Aaron MacDonald, Todd Barney; (R2) Tyler Hull, Josh Horr, Brian Barney, Jon Estep, Bill Bowen, Joey Babcock; (R3) Jeremy Whitt, Jesse Johnson, Curtis Parker, Jay Nelson; (R4) Coach Randy Nelson, Coach Scott Horr, Heath Glass, Kirk Thompson, Coach Keith Throckmorton, and Coach Doug Poage.



Sophomore hurler Todd Barney winds up for a fastball to the plate. Todd started the season on the JV squad but earned a spot in the varsity rotation by mid-season.

Junior co-captain Kirk Thompson zeroes in on the incoming pitch. Kirk served as the starting catcher and was named Most Improved Player.



Senior co-captain Bill Bowen takes a huge cut at an incoming fastball. Bill, a three-year starter, smacked 3 homeruns and played first base.

The JV team gathers for an inspirational huddle with their coaches before the Irontron game. The JV's had a successful season with a record of 16-4.



Sophomore Joey Estep safely crosses the plate to score a Trojan run. Joey, the team batting leader, also led the team in hits and on-base percentage.



JV team members are (R1) Adam Elliott, Joe Jones, David Horner, Aaron Cooper; (R2) Tom Ingiosi, Josh Morris, Joel Stanley, Shane Walter, Shannon Bowling; (R3) Coach Randy Nelson, Nate Dickey, Josh Horr, Jay Nelson, and Coach Scott Horr.



Senior co-captain Brian Barney slides safely back into first base after an attempted pick off play. Brian, the ace of the pitching staff, earned a 7-3 record and was named team MVP.

# Take Me Out to the Ball Game

SCORES	
Green	1-3
Ironton	7-11
New Boston	19-6
East	20-15
Piketon	5-6
North Adams	16-1
Green	7-12
Chillicothe	18-16
Ironton	8-3
Notre Dame	8-10
Whealersburg	5-17
Notre Dame	11-5
Clay	1-9
Northwest	2-6
West Union	(Tourn) 19-7
West	(Tourn) 5-11

The crack of the bat sounded early in April to kick off softball season. Coach Tom Grashel, in his second year at the helm, led the young team with only two seniors. Coach Grashel said, "My two seniors, Lindsey Sieling and Jill Manor, played with a lot of leadership." Sporting a season record of 7-9, the Lady Trojans enjoyed key wins over New Boston, East, North Adams, Chillicothe, Ironton, and Notre Dame. In the first round of sectional tournament play, the team trounced West Union in a game that saw jun-

ior pitching ace Krista Lallow strike out 11 batters. However, the Lady Trojans were outscored by West in the championship game that ended their season. Award winners on the team included Cheryl Sargent, MVP and first team All-District; April Phipps, Trojan 100% Award and Honorable Mention All-District; Krista Lallow, Most Improved; and Lindsey Sieling, 4th year varsity letter. Cheryl Sargent also ended the season with the 2nd highest batting average in the county (.560).



Members of the Softball team are (R1) Talitha Malone, Kerri Elliott, Cassie Tomlin, Linsee Shepherd, Lynnsey Purdy, Jill Manor, Brooke Pratt, Barbie Allen, Lindsey Sieling; (R2) Coach Tom Grashel, Cheryl Sargent, Krista Lallow, April Phipps, Alicia Phipps, Angie Thuma, Bethany Grant, Katie Eggers, and Rebecca Grant.

Junior Alicia Phipps awaits a ground ball. Alicia played consistently at 1st base with an .867 fielding average.



Sophomores Brooke Pratt and Cheryl Sargent discuss the game. Brooke led the team in RBI's with 20 and Cheryl scored the most runs with 25.



Softball





With an on-base average of .538, sophomore Linsee Shepherd waits on the pitch. Linsee played in right field as well as filling in as catcher.



Junior Krista Lallow delivers a pitch during the tournament game against West Union. Krista pitched in 14 games and struck out 81 total batters.

Sophomore Lynnsey Purdy takes a swing at a pitch. Lynnsey managed 10 base-on-balls and 8 stolen bases.



Cheryl Sargent, Lindsey Sieling, Barbie Allen, Angie Thuma, Kerri Elliott, Katie Eggers, and Cassie Tomlin cheer from the dugout as their teammates take their turns at the plate.



Senior Lindsey Sieling stands on 2nd base waiting for the sign from Coach Grashel. Lindsey committed only 3 errors and had an .800 fielding average.

# Netters Take the Court

“This fairly inexperienced team made great strides and had a very successful season,” said first-year coach Mrs. Helen Wells. The season began with conditioning practices and running. Then after losing 3 of the first 4 matches, including a loss in the Ohio Team Tournament, the team finished strong, losing only once the rest of the season. In sectional tournament play at Mound Park, co-captain Derek

Hegarty finished 2nd in singles play and advanced to the final 8. Derek also was named 2nd team All-District and team MVP. The doubles team of Ryan Livingston, co-captain, and Adam Esham finished 3rd in the sectionals before losing in the final 8 in district play. Ryan and Adam, also, were named 2nd team All-District. Alexander Curtis was named Varsity Most Improved and Donnie Igou for the JV's.



Members are (R1) Barrett Scurlock, Hank Rau, Phillip Roberts, Craig Fields; (R2) Luke Bawazer, Caleb Wittenmyer, Adam Esham, Ryan Livingston, Alexander Curtis, Derek Hegarty and Sean Waugh.

Senior Derek Hegarty reaches down for a low backhand volley during a home match against Minford. Derek, who played #1 singles for all four years, went 15-4 this year and advanced to the District quarterfinals before bowing out to the eventual state runnerup.



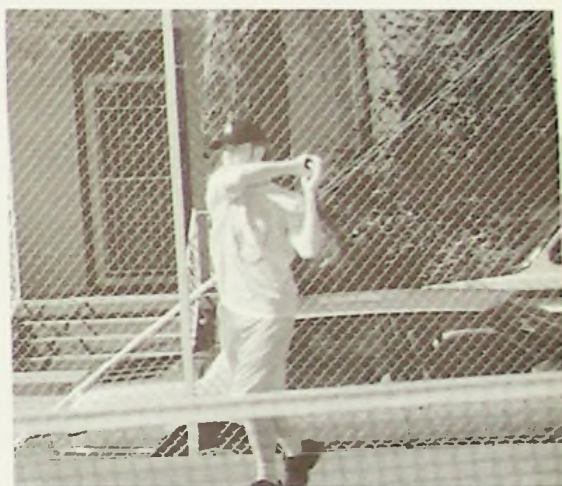
Members of the junior varsity team give much needed support to team member Luke Bawazer during a crucial match.





*Coach Wells gives some last minute advice to freshman Caleb Wittenmyer. Caleb played #2 doubles throughout most of the year with junior Luke Bawazer.*

*Junior Alexander Curtis prepares to hit a volley as he approaches the net. "Alexander greatly improved throughout the year," said Coach Wells.*



*Senior Sean Waugh follows through on a forehand winner during a doubles match. Sean, after taking two seasons off, returned to the team for his senior year.*



*Senior Ryan Livingston tosses the ball high before hitting a serve. Ryan, who played #2 singles in the regular season, went 14-5 and teamed with Adam Esham in tournament doubles action.*

#### SCOREBOARD

at Jackson	5-0
at Wheelersburg	1-4
Minford	2-3
at Granville	2-3
at West	5-0
Jackson	5-0
at Gallipolis	5-0
Minford	3-2
at Ironton	3-2
East	5-0
Gallipolis	5-0
Wheelersburg	1-4
Ironton	5-0

# Reaching Higher

In true olympic style the Girls' Track team members were urged to reach higher, be stronger, and go the distance. Coach Dave Utley led a team of 25 which was large enough to be divided into 2 squads. Team A consisted of members who participated at both home and away meets, while Team B competed mainly at home meets. Strong relay teams helped pace the team to success. The 2 mile relay team consisting of Ann King, Heidi Huddleston, Lindi

Hughes and Kelly Austin advanced to the district tournament. Their best time was 11 minutes 5 seconds. Advancing to the regionals held at Chillicothe was the 400 meter relay team. Made up of Ali Lacy, Sequoia Johnson, Tia Hairston and Emily Newman, this team's best recorded time was 52.6 seconds. At season's end Kelly Austin was named High Point Medalist and Heidi Huddleston and Ali Lacy won Leadership Awards.



*Junior Michele Kendle takes the first stride as she explodes from the blocks to begin the 200 meter dash. Freshman Sequoia Johnson assists by holding the blocks.*

*Senior captain Ann King looks ahead to the finish line as she completes the 800 meter dash. Ann said, "I ran track four years and loved every minute of it."*



*Sophomore Heidi Huddleston pushes hard as she completes the two mile relay. Heidi, Ann King, Lindi Hughes, and Kelly Austin hold the school record in this event.*



*Sophomore Tia Hairston focuses on her form as she races to the finish line. Tia easily blows by her competition from Paint Valley.*

*Tammy Thomas begins the second leg of the 2 mile relay at the Valley Invitational. Tammy said, "At times it's pretty difficult, but I really enjoy running track."*



*Girls' Track team members are (R1) Heidi Middleston, Rachael Springs, Kathy Evans, Kelsie Bailey, Leslie Pendleton, Shannon Owen; (R2) Elizabeth Gowdy, Brandy Glenn, Amanda Preston, Elizabeth Dickey, Cyneca*

*Greene, Sequoia Johnson, Tia Hairston, Mandy Pitts, Katie Eggers, Sarah Davis; (R3) Sarah Watson, Tammy Thomas, Michele Kendle, Ali Lacy, Erin Neal, Michelle Bagby, Lindi Hughes, Ann King, and Kelly Austin.*



*Senior captain Ali Lacy waits in the starting position for the 200 meter dash. Ali carefully anticipates the sound of the gun so that she won't make a false start.*

*Senior captain Nathan Mullins soars high into the air with his "kamikaze attitude" as Coach Fields described it. Nathan's highest vault was 10 feet.*

*Senior Matt Montavon and junior David Lykins push each other as they finish the 3200 meter run at a home meet. Both competed in the 1600 meter and 3200 meter run throughout the season.*



*Senior captain Brad Daniels makes sure to clear the hurdle in the finals at the Valley Invitational. Brad placed fourth overall.*

*Senior Matt Huddleston shows his strength as he launches the discus. With his steady good showing throughout the season, Matt was named Most Improved.*



# Going for the Gold

In a season that sometimes seemed sidetracked by adversity, the Boys' Track team kept focused and managed marked success. The seemingly endless spring rains made training and even competing difficult. Also, membership on the relay teams seemed like musical chairs but finally jelled in time for tournament season. Head Coach Rocky Fields spent most of his time directing the field events while Assistant Coach Art Lard lent his guidance to the runners. The 400 meter

relay team, consisting of Mike Hairston, Nathan Mullins, Brad Daniels and Robbie Bratchett, finished 11th in the regional semifinals with a time of 46.1 seconds. Matt Huddleston advanced to the district finals in 2 events and finished 2nd in shot put and 4th in discus. Nathan Mullins also advanced to the district finals by leaping 19 feet 3 inches in the long jump. Nathan was also named High Point Medalist for his efforts throughout the season.



Senior captain Robbie Bratchett mimicks Olympic sprinter Michael Johnson's erect running posture as he wins the 100 meter dash. Robbie's best time was 11.3 seconds which brought him the honor of placing 2nd on the county-wide "Track Honor Roll."

Members are (R1) Mike Hairston, Chris Parish, Phillip Reinhardt, Chris McGinnis, Adrian Soard; (R2) David Lykins, Dusty James, Brad Daniels, Robbie Bratchett, Nathan Mullins, Matt Montavon, Coach Rocky Fields; (R3) Jimmy Gambill, Jack Howbert, Jerald Gordon, Antoine Moore, Matt Huddleston.

# GROUPS

**B**ecoming an educated person involves more than just concentrating on academics. An educated person is a well rounded person. Being well rounded involves participation in school and community activities.

## Inside Look

Participation can come by invitation only as is the case with the National Honor Society or from utilizing personal talents as with various music groups. Or it may come from joining any of the many other clubs and activities. Take an *inside look* at the clubs, activities and service organizations available to Trojan students.



*Whose feet are these? See page 132 for the participants of Crazy Shoe Day.*

*Nate Dickey prepares for "The Star Spangled Banner" with the Pep Band at pre-game.*







*Members of the combined choirs perform during the National Honor Society Induction held in the auditorium during December.*

*Junior Jeremy Whitt, a National Honor Society inductee, places his candle of membership in the holder and takes his place of honor on the stage.*

# For Your Ears Only

## Marching Band Completes Impossible Mission

**L**ed by director Mr. Jeff Freytag, the Marching Band traveled on a suspenseful tour mesmerizing audiences with a competition show filled with selections from several spy movies. The band members themselves were kept in suspense as they tried to complete the nearly impossible mission of qualifying for state competition. They finally succeeded at West Portsmouth on October 14 where they earned a superior rating. Then at state competition on November 5 in Columbus, the band received an excellent rating. The highlight of the year was the trip to Walt Disney World. Departing for Florida on Sunday, June 9, band members and chaperones drove all

night and tolerated cramped conditions and frequent yells of "Are we there yet?" In Florida, members visited Wet N' Wild water park, Medieval Times dinner theatre and Epcot '96. While at Walt Disney World, they marched in a parade as part of Disney Magic Music Days. Later they were busy fending off Jaws, surviving earthquakes, and escaping from King Kong at Universal Studios. The group topped off their last night with dinner at the Hard Rock Cafe. Upon hearing the Village People's "Y-M-C-A," junior band member Jonathan Stewart encouraged the diners to participate in a conga line which wound around through the restaurant.



*Freshman Mike Veazey, Mr. Frank Veazey, and junior Chuck Gilmore wait in line for Splash Mountain shortly after the parade at Walt Disney World.*



*Mr. Freytag instructs the band at the Magic Kingdom. Band members play "Strike up the*

*Band" as they parade down Main Street, U.S.A.*



During the River Days parade Nate Dickey, Elizabeth Gowdy, Eric Mayer, Elizabeth Dickey, and Michael Newsome brave the late August heat.

During halftime at the Homecoming game Dianna Bissell, Sarah Berrigan, and Michael Newsome play "For Your Eyes Only" as the candidates walk across the field.



Members are (R1) Eric Mayer, Michael Newsome, Shannon McCoy, Aaron Cooper, Dennis Johnson, Sarah Berrigan, Heather Kremin, Chuck Gilmore, Shane Bowling; (R2) Amy Salmons, Veronica Rhodes, Sarah Watson, Sarah Davis, Beth Price, Erica Ailstock, Charlotte Risby, Kathy Evans, Jonathan Stewart, Kathy Mingus; (R3) Ashley Parker, Amber Stepp, Annie Swanson, Emily Wheeler, Courtney Daniels, Rachael Springs, Linda Keaton, Laura Rayburn, Dianna Bissell, Mea-

gan Sullens; (R4) Tisha Hardin, Michael Veazey, Elizabeth Gowdy, Royal Gentry, Jessica Wood, Melanie Driedger, Erin McCoy; (R5) Leah Burns, Becky Pyles, April Mullins, Brandy Aldridge, Mandy Pitts, Jennifer Mitchell, Ben Colburn, Jennifer Penley, Micah Burns; (R6) Chris McGinnis, Talitha Malone, Phillip Roberts, Lisa Pruitt, Stephanie Skiver, Elizabeth Dickey, and Nathaniel Dickey.



Junior Dennis Johnson served as Field Commander. He said, "I had fun, we did very well, and we had a great season. I can't wait until next year."

*Senior Shane Bowling plays with the Pep Band at the last home basketball game. Shane won the John Philip Sousa award which is given to an outstanding senior member.*

*Jazz Band members Dennis Johnson, Amy Daub, Phillip Roberts, Jessica Wood and Stephanie Skiver entertain the crowd during the Christmas assembly.*



*Members of the Pep Band show school spirit as they play "Surfin' USA" for the basketball team and fans during the game against Lewis County.*

*Pep Band members are (R1) Brandy Aldridge, Jessica Wood, Heather Kremin, Sarah Buchanan-Berrigan, Lisa Pruitt, Erica Ailstock; (R2) Ben Colburn, Mandy Pitts, Beth Price, Becky Pyles, Elizabeth Dickey; (R3) Aaron*

*Hurt, Nathaniel Dickey, Elizabeth Gowdy, Dennis Johnson, Shannon McCoy; (R4) John Bender, Jonathan Stewart, Michael Newsome, Shane Bowling, and Aaron Cooper.*

# Jazz It Up

*Aaron Cooper, Becky Pyles, Elizabeth Gowdy, Dennis Johnson, Phillip Roberts, Heather Kremin, and Jennifer Penley tour Epcot's*

*World Showcase. Band members took advantage of the opportunity to learn about other cultures while they were having fun in Florida.*



*Members of the Jazz Band are (R1) Heather Kremin, Talitha Malone, Emily Wheeler, Chris McGinnis, Rissie Strayer, Melanie Driedger; (R2) Aaron Cooper, Nathaniel Dickey, Jessica Wood, Lisa Pruitt, Phillip Roberts, Stephanie Skiver, Charlotte Risby; (R3) Shannon McCoy, Ben Colburn, Shane Bowling, April Mullins, Michael Newsome,*

*Becky Pyles, Amy Daub, Sarah Buchanan-Berrigan, and Jonathan Stewart.*

*Members of the combined choirs perform at the annual Christmas concert. The concert was followed by a cookie walk where participants mixed and matched baked goods.*

*Senior show choir members April Mullins and Viveca Clay join the combined choirs as they treat the audience at the holiday concert to the songs of the season.*



*Members of the Mixed Choir are (R1) Hope Hodge, Joie Woodson, April Phipps, Latitia Stiltner, Jessica Wells; (R2) Lindsey Copley, Monik Johnson, Amber Johnson, Shannon Jones, Amy Daub; (R3) Rick Rammel, Shane Bowling, Jon Kirkendall, Tommy Tanner, and Tim Arthur.*



*Members of the Freshman Choir are (R1) Leslie Pendleton, Cassie Tomlin, Sondra Toomire, Brenda Loper, Misty Nunley, Shannon Bowen; (R2) Sarah Burke, Christina Taylor, Jenni Burns, Erin Neal, Amy Goodwin, Michelle Bagby; (R3) Creshawn Board, Leslee Bailey, Veronica Rhodes, Aja Walden, Missy Queen, Laura Shepherd; (R4) Shawna Collins, Christa Buffinger, Becky Ramey, Alisha Scott, Katie Eggers; (R5) Josh Morris, Brandi Woods, Royal Gentry, Savannah Pope, Tom Lancaster; (R6) Michael Riggsbee, Dale King, Josh Horr, Craig Fields, Josh Bratchett; (R7) Dusty James, Michael Veazey, and Jay Nelson.*



# Anything Goes

**B**aby boomers rejoiced as the show choir Expressions ended their song and dance routine with the ever popular number from the 1960's "Eli's Comin'." Also known as the crown jewel of the vocal music department, Expressions entertained and competed using their wide repertoire of songs that spanned 7 decades including "Anything Goes" from the 1920's to "Why Haven't I Heard from You" from the 1990's. The show choir added to the Mixed Chorus and the Freshman Choir made up one of the largest groups at PHS. Under the direction of Mr. Mark Williams, the student vocalists gave their 1st performance at the Fall Concert. Then the show choir competed in several contests. Awards accumulated by the show choir included 3rd place Class C at Poca High

School, 2nd place Class C at St. Clairsville High School and 3rd runnerup Overall at St. Clairsville. All choirs remained busy during the Christmas season as they entertained various groups around town. Students and staff also enjoyed the annual holiday concert. Mr. Walker provided a special treat as he showed off his own vocal talent with a solo rendition of "White Christmas." On January 20 the show choir hosted the 8th annual Tri State Show Choir Competition. While Expressions members welcomed visiting choirs and worked in the cafeteria, parents were busy overseeing the details that arose with 16 schools in attendance. Year ending activities included performing at the spring concert and at graduation.



*Members of Expressions are (R1) Talitha Malone, April Mullins, Amy Battle, Stephanie Skiver, Tessa Brown; (R2) Melanie Driedger, Aaron Cooper, Shannon Bowling, Lynnsey Purdy, Lynne Bissell, Jerald Gordon, Emily Wheeler, Rebecca Grant, Caleb Wit-*

*tenmyer, Mike Hairston, Meghan Burke; (R3) Shannon McCoy, Erin McCoy, Eric Mayer, Jonathan Stewart, Sarah Buchanan-Berrigan, John Bender, Michael Newsome, Kerri Elliott, Heather Kremin; (R4) Becky Pyles, Christina Miller, Lindi Hughes, Charlotte*

*Risby; (R5) Ben Colburn, Bethany Grant, Dianna Bissell, Adam Elliott, Lisa Pruitt, Viveca Clay, Rissie Strayer; (R6) Phillip Roberts and Shane Bowling.*

# Move Over, Marcia Clark

This fall the courts in Los Angeles had nothing over the legal talent in Scioto County. While national headlines screamed about the O.J. Simpson trial, local headlines boasted of the performances in the Mock Trial competition. With the growing reputation and popularity of the Mock Trial program, PHS fielded 2 teams, both of which were very successful. For the 1st time, both teams qualified for the

state competition. Led by winning attorneys Courtney Valentine and Sarah Smith, Team 1 won the district competition. Also from Team 1, Erica Herrmann won top witness. Team 2, which placed 2nd, also had award winners. Bethany Grant and Misty Dickerson won top attorney awards while Kristi Smith and Michelle Bradley won top witness awards. At the state competition, Courtney Valentine and Luke Bawazer won top at-

torney while Erica Herrmann and Kristi Smith won top witness. Mr. West and legal advisors Rick Brown, Dan Ruggiero, and Jay Willis helped the teams prepare for the case in which Casey Northern, the defendant, was accused of running a paramilitary group. Casey argued that she was just leading a school watch patrol. Witnesses testified and lawyers argued for and against Casey.



*Kristi Smith, Luke Bawazer, Ryan Livingston, and Erica Herrmann wait for the judges' decision. Kristi said, "We didn't make the finals, but it was still fun!"*

*Senior Sarah Smith and sophomore Courtney Valentine discuss the case after finishing the trial. Both won awards at the district level for their roles.*







*Senior Erica Herrmann looks over the case material before giving her testimony as Jordan Moretti. Erica played the roles of both witness and attorney on Team 1.*

*Award winners are (R1) Michelle Bradley, Sarah Smith, Kristi Smith, Erica Herrmann, Bethany Grant; (R2) Misty Dickerson, Luke Bawazer, and Courtney Valentine.*



*Team 1 members are (R1) Erica Herrmann, Sarah Pulver, Courtney Valentine and Sarah Smith. Team 2 members are (R2) Kerri Elliott, Kristi Smith, Michelle Bradley, Candy Price; (R3) Ryan Livingston, Misty Dickerson, Luke Bawazer, Bethany Grant and David Horner.*

*Junior member Bethany Grant steps away from the podium as she reiterates a point in her closing argument. Bethany was a defense attorney on Team 2.*



# Students Shine

**O**n December 1, the Emily Ball Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 13 members. The ceremony began with a performance by the combined choirs followed by the addresses to the audience by the old members, explaining the qualities required for membership. Melanie Driedger spoke about scholarship; Sarah Smith, service; Ann King, leadership; and Stephanie Skiver, character. The guest speaker was Dr. Craig Strafford, former PHS student, who gave a speech full of inspirational quotes. He then told a tragic story of another PHS student, Phil Moore, who dived head-first into Dreamland Pool, which

caused his death. Dr. Strafford said, "Phil Moore was a good, honest PHS student. He would have been a model National Honor student." Next, President Ryan Livingston announced the names of the new members. Then, VP Jesse Johnson led the society in the National Honor Pledge, which was followed by Mr. Walker's congratulatory remarks. To fulfill the service requirement, members collected cans for a food drive, served as tour guides for the 8th grade students, and helped with the Math 24 competition. Other officers included Tiffany Hickman, secretary and Kathy Mingus, treasurer.



*Members of the NHS are (R1) Jesse Johnson, Kathy Mingus, Tiffany Hickman, Ryan Livingston; (R2) Erica Herrmann, Ali Lacy, Kristi Smith, Stephanie Skiver, Melanie Driedger, Dianna Bissell, Michelle Bradley; (R3) Rissie Strayer, Derek Hegarty, Krista Lallow, Lynne Bissell, Sarah Smith, Kerri Elliott; (R4) Jeremy Whitt, Devon Kitchen, Emily Newman, Jonathan Stewart, Annie Swanson, Bethany Grant; (R5) Audra Popovich, Alex Copley, Luke Bawazer, Matt Huddleston, Misty Dickerson; (R6) Alexander Curtis, Kevin Biller. Not pictured are Heather Kennard, Ann King, Kendra Knapp and Charlotte Risby.*

*Junior Alexander Curtis receives a pin and membership card from Ryan Livingston and Jesse Johnson.*





*Jonathan Stewart lights a candle after being tapped during the induction ceremony. Jonathan said, "I feel honored to be a member of this prestigious organization."*

*Kristi Smith and Emily Newman enjoy time to talk at the reception after the induction. Kristi tells Emily about the responsibilities that come with membership.*



*Krista Lallow and Derek Hegarty make their contribution in collecting cans for the Salvation Army. National Honor sponsors this annual event every December.*

*Ann King lights the candle that symbolizes leadership. Ann said, "A leader should have a profound influence on his school as well as on his community."*



# Latin Club

*Freshman Daniel Austin works on a puzzle during the Saturnalia party. Club members celebrated the Roman winter festival which honored Saturn, the god of agriculture.*

*Sophomore Tammy Thomas unwraps a present at the Saturnalia party. Latin students participated in the gift giving tradition that the ancient Romans used.*



*Phillip Roberts, Heidi Huddleston, Hank Rau and Sarah Watson celebrate with pizza from Little Caesar's.*

*Members of the Latin Club are (R1) Krista Duckett, Amy Battle, Heidi Huddleston; (R2) Leslee Bailey, Rebecca Grant, Cassie Tomlin, Tammy Thomas, Sarah Watson; (R3) Erin*

*Neal, Beth Price, Sarah Davis, Hank Rau, Phillip Roberts; (R4) Misty Nunley, Talitha Malone, Daniel Austin and Michael Veazey.*

# Quiz Bowl

Juniors Annie Swanson and Alexander Curtis discuss an answer to a lightning round question during a match. Advisor Mr. West said, "With their vast knowledge in the areas of

math and science along with their quick fingers, Annie and Alexander helped the team greatly."



With the help of a calculator, seniors Ryan Livingston and Sarah Smith find the answer to a math problem. Ryan said, "Quiz Bowl was a lot of fun. I learned so much interesting information."

Members are (R1) Luke Bawazer, Sarah Smith, Kerri Elliott, Lynne Bissell, Annie Swanson; (R2) Alexander Curtis and Ryan Livingston.

# Pep Club

Freshmen Erica Howell and Missy Queen decorated lockers on 3rd floor. Pep Club members provided spirit during the year with locker signs for athletes of various teams.



Pep Club members are (R1) Talitha Malone, Aja Walden, Missy Queen; (R2) Ginger Aldridge, Tiffany Hickman, Erica Herrmann, Kathy Mingus, Ali Lacy, Shannon Bowen, Leslie Pendleton, Katie Eggers; (R3) Brooke Pratt, Lora Beth Daniels, Lynnsey Purdy, Tessa Brown, April Mullins, Kristi Smith, Tia Hairston, Amy Battle, Viveca Clay, Kim O'Connor; (R4) Mindy Grooms, Courtney Valentine, Meghan Burke, Devon Kitchen, Amanda Hardin, Angie Thuma, Cyneca Greene, Cassie Tomlin, Krista Duckett; (R5) Emily Newman, Erin Neal, Amy Goodwin, Brandy Glenn, Annie Swanson, Rebecca Grant, Sarah Burke, Amanda Preston, Alisha Scott; (R6) Wendi Burns, Krista Lallow, Amy Lester, Becky Ramey, Lori Green, Erica Howell, Jennifer Mitchell; (R7) Mandy Pitts, Susan Cabblish, Kelly Austin, Sarah Pulver, Missy Jordan, Misty Nunley, Jennifer McCallister and Lindsey Copley.



# F H A



Freshmen Aja Walden and Becky Ramey hang signs in the hall for the Mock Trial team. Pep Club members provided spirit and support for many different groups.

Juniors Jack Howbert and Claressa Page sell flowers for Valentine's Day as a part of an FHA fund raiser. They also signed up pledges for Save-a-Sweet-Heart Day.



Members of Future Homemakers of America are (R1) Advisor Mrs. Ann Sommers, Joie Woodson, Tia Hairston, Tabitha Gartin, Amanda Preston, Advisor Mrs. Kathy Darnell; (R2) Sarah Hall, Felicia Martin, Jessica

Loper, Sequoia Johnson, Amber Litz, Elizabeth Dickey, Becky Simpson; (R3) Cyneca Greene, Zanetta Parker, Ebony Martin, Amy Litz, Hope Hodge, Earl Blevins; (R4) Dallas Gilbert, Seth Taylor, Deborah Vasquez, Joel

Stanley, Joe Greene, Kenneth Brown, David Plew; (R5) Mike Malone, Lonnie Thompson, Angie Fowler, Amanda Buck, Chris Craft, Michelle Landrum, Tina Zamora; (R6) Jack Howbert, Bethany Wells, and Tyson Murta.

# Trojan Staff Stays Busy

**I**nvestigators, organizers, artists, salesmen - these are the people found in the yearbook production area beside Room 312. New staffers are often surprised at the diversity of jobs and demanding time constraints put on the members of Trojan Staff. Co-editors Erica Herrmann and Tiffany Hickman kicked the project off by attending camp with advisor Mrs. Kathie Liles. These 3 spent the last week of July in Gettysburg, PA, learning about the various do's and don't's of yearbook

production. Tiffany's and Erica's hard work paid off when they heard their names announced for Best Theme packet during the awards ceremony. With an annual budget of \$12,000, selling ads kept the staff busy during the fall. Then planning and sponsoring the Snowflake Ball took up the time before the holidays. Finally in late winter and continuing through the spring and early summer, meeting copy and layout deadlines became the rule so that faculty and students could take *one last look* at 1996.

*Tiffany Hickman and Erica Herrmann learn about yearbook design on the campus of Gettysburg College. First Daughter Chelsea Clinton was also a member of their class.*



*Staff members make a fashion statement and support school spirit. All members walked the halls in wild foot gear for Crazy Shoe Day.*

*Derek Hegarty and Robbie Bratchett work on the layout for senior pictures. Produced in color, the senior section made up most of the material for the first deadline.*







*Kerri Elliott and Jonathan Stewart type copy on the computer. Learning the program takes much time but pays off by simplifying the process of fitting items on pages.*

*Trojan Staff members are (R1) Jesse Johnson, Ann King, Lora Beth Daniels, Brad Daniels; (R2) Robbie Bratchett, Tiffany Hickman; (R3) Ali Lacy, Derek Hegarty, Erica Herrmann, Kerri Elliott; (R5) Jonathan Stewart, Stephanie Rhodes, Ginger Aldridge, and Ryan Livingston.*



*Co-editors Erica Herrmann and Tiffany Hickman are 2 year members of the staff. In addition to their regular duties, they also checked others' layouts.*

*Senior staff member Ryan Livingston writes copy for the tennis layout. Because of his photography skills, Ryan was known as Chief Shutterbug.*

# Athletes in Action

AIA officers Derek Hegarty, Tiffany Hickman, and Ryan Livingston deliver presents to the Salvation Army. Members collected toys for needy children in the community.



Members are (R1) Erica Herrmann, Tiffany Hickman, Derek Hegarty, Robbie Bratchett, Ryan Livingston; (R2) Erin Neal, Leslee Bailey, Krista Lallow, Krista Duckett, Rebecca Grant, Cassie Tomlin, Shannon Bowen, Leslie Pendleton; (R3) Aja Walden, Lynnsey Purdy, Talitha Malone, Emily Newman, Ann King, Kristi Smith, Kerri Elliott, Jessica Cooper, Amanda Hardin, Coach Joe Albrecht; (R4) Brooke Pratt, Lora Beth Daniels, Tessa Brown, Jesse Johnson, Tammy Thomas, Misty

Nunley, Amy Goodwin, Bethany Grant, Jenni Burns; (R5) Bobby Huffman, Amy Lester, Ali Lacy, Joey Estep, Heidi Huddleston, Bob Manchester, Katie Eggers, Erica Howell; (R6) Linsee Shepherd, Courtney Valentine, Susan Cablish, Brad Daniels, Josh Morris, Chris Morgan, Kiery Frye, Wendi Burns, Stephanie Born; (R7) Kim O'Connor, Alicia Phipps, Viveca Clay, Rick Rammel; (R8) Brandy Glenn, Christina Maxie, Tia Hairston, Mike Malone, Meghan Burke, Becky Ramey, Missy

Queen, Kirk Thompson; (R9) Courtney Daniels, Missy Jordan, Cyneca Greene, Jennifer McCallister, Adam Esham, Hank Rau, Dale King, Ryan Fields, Tim Llewellyn; (R10) Heath Glass, Tyler Hull, Jon Estep, Josh Horr, Brian Barney, Jack Howbert, Aaron MacDonald, Nathan Mullins, Todd Barney, Joey Babcock, Shane Walter, Joe Jones, Joel Stanley, Josh Bratchett, Jay Nelson, Dusty James and Jeremy Glass.

Sophomores Lora Beth Daniels, Tyler Hull, Brooke Pratt, Todd Barney and Aaron MacDonald watch the Ohio University figure skating team at halftime.



Ryan Livingston, Ann King, Bill Bowen and Ali Lacy laugh as a player falls on the ice at the OU hockey game. More than 60 people made the trip to Athens with AIA.



# P S E P



Members of PSEP are (R1) Kathy Mingus, Tiffany Hickman, Ann King, April Mullins; (R2) Christina Miller, Kerri Elliott, Lynnsey Purdy, Tessa Brown, Brian Barney; (R3) Erica

Howell, Susan Cablish, Emily Wheeler, Adam Esham, Lora Beth Daniels; (R4) Erica Herrmann, Audra Popovich, Lynne Bissell, Rissie Strayer, Tyler Hull, Ryan Livingston;

(R5) Alexander Curtis, Taya Mathis, Missy Queen, Aja Walden, Robbie Bratchett.

Members of the Environmental Club gather on the front lawn. Pictured are (R1) Bobbi Nutter, Melanie Driedger, Claressa Page; (R2)

Susan Cablish, Missy Jordan, Jennifer McCallister, Ginger Aldridge, Meagan Sultens, Erica Ailstock; (R3) Mindy Grooms, Erin

McCoy, Amanda Hardin, Bethany Prior, Shannon McCoy, Lisa Pruitt, and Erica Howell.



# Environmental Club



On Earth Day, which is celebrated on April 22, club members traveled to Branch Rickey

Park and planted trees. Mrs. Howell, club advisor, commented, "What could be a better way

to wish the earth a happy birthday!"



Environmental Club

Members of the Art Club are Ivan Hammond, Bobbi Nutter, Claressa Page, Emily Wheeler, Club advisor, Mrs. Sharee Price, Dianna Bissell, Janet Miller, Stephanie Born, and Bethany Prior. Not pictured is the Art



# Art Club



Art Club president, Dianna Bissell paints on the mural in the cafeteria. The mural was sponsored by the class of 1955 as a memorial

to class president, Mr. Ken Amick. The mural depicted the traditions of the Trojans and was designed by club members and Mrs. Price.



Senior Art Club member, Ivan Hammond, paints the Trojan warrior on the mural. Ivan was named Most Improved in Art III.

## Community

**L**ocal businesses and organizations play a vital role in the survival of daily activities at school. The community has pitched in to provide support for the music departments, sports teams and other groups and activities. The local

### *Look Around*

hospital, Shawnee State University, and the elementary schools have provided a mentorship program for senior student to get hands-on experience in the areas that they plan to study in college. Businesses also provide part time job opportunities for students. No matter what the involvement is, community support leaves a lasting impression on PHS.



*Jennifer Morgan makes an appointment for a customer at the Pro Tan Tanning Salon*

*Senior Brian Hicks bags groceries for customers at a local grocery store.*





*Senior Rissie Strayer demonstrates her newspaper folding skills to her friends. Rissie said, "I decided that a newspaper route would be an easy way to earn some extra money."*



*Local Businessman C.B. Herrmann writes a check to pay for the yearbook ads that his company purchased. Community support helps to make it possible for extra-curricular activities to remain successful.*

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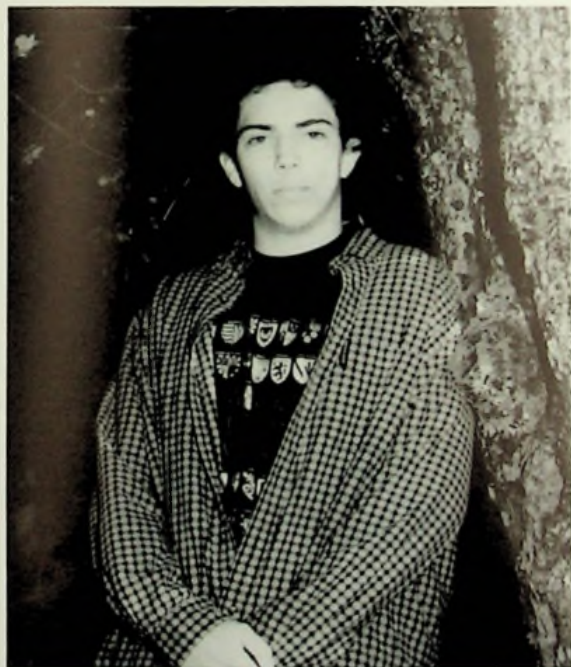
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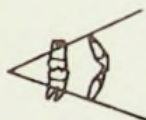
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*Kerri Elliott placed 2nd in Science & Health Professions at SCORES.*



*Alexander Curtis spent a week at OSU participating in the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted.*



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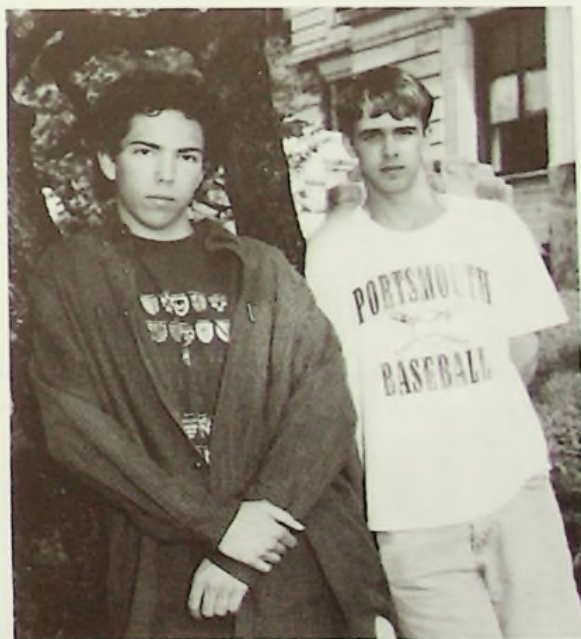
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*The top twenty seniors gather on the front steps after practicing for the graduation ceremony.*



*Representing PHS at Boys' State are juniors Alexander Curtis and Jeremy Whitt who spent a week learning about the workings of government first hand.*

*Best wishes and future success  
to the Class of 1996!*

*Harry & Linda Driedger*

*To Keith Charles-*

*May life give you many opportunities to give and receive love.  
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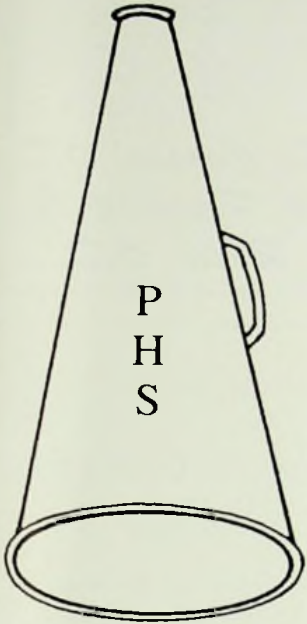
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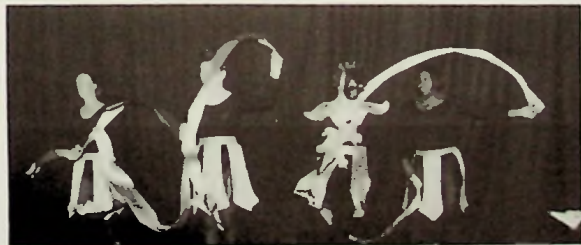
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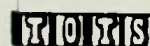
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*Freshmen Caleb Wittenmyer, Jay Nelson, and Josh Bratchett brave the bad weather throughout the entire homecoming game at Spartan Stadium. Rain continued to support the team. Rain continued*



*CP Biology I students take a look at the world outside school. Smiling from Ms. Whitehead's room are Josh Kegley, Aaron Mamas, Erin Neal, Michelle Bagby, Misty Nunley, and Leslee Bailey.*

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**T**aking the giant step from adolescence to the adult world happens on graduation day. This day, more

## Looking Back

than any other, brings forth mixed emotions. Sadness and happiness intermingle - sadness as students look

back on the carefree time of youth that is gone and happiness as they look ahead with excitement to the future. As the final pictures were being snapped, the seniors stood together on the front steps one last time. Shouts and cheers rang out as they tossed their caps high into the air. Then it was over. . . with *one last look* at the class of 1996.



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