

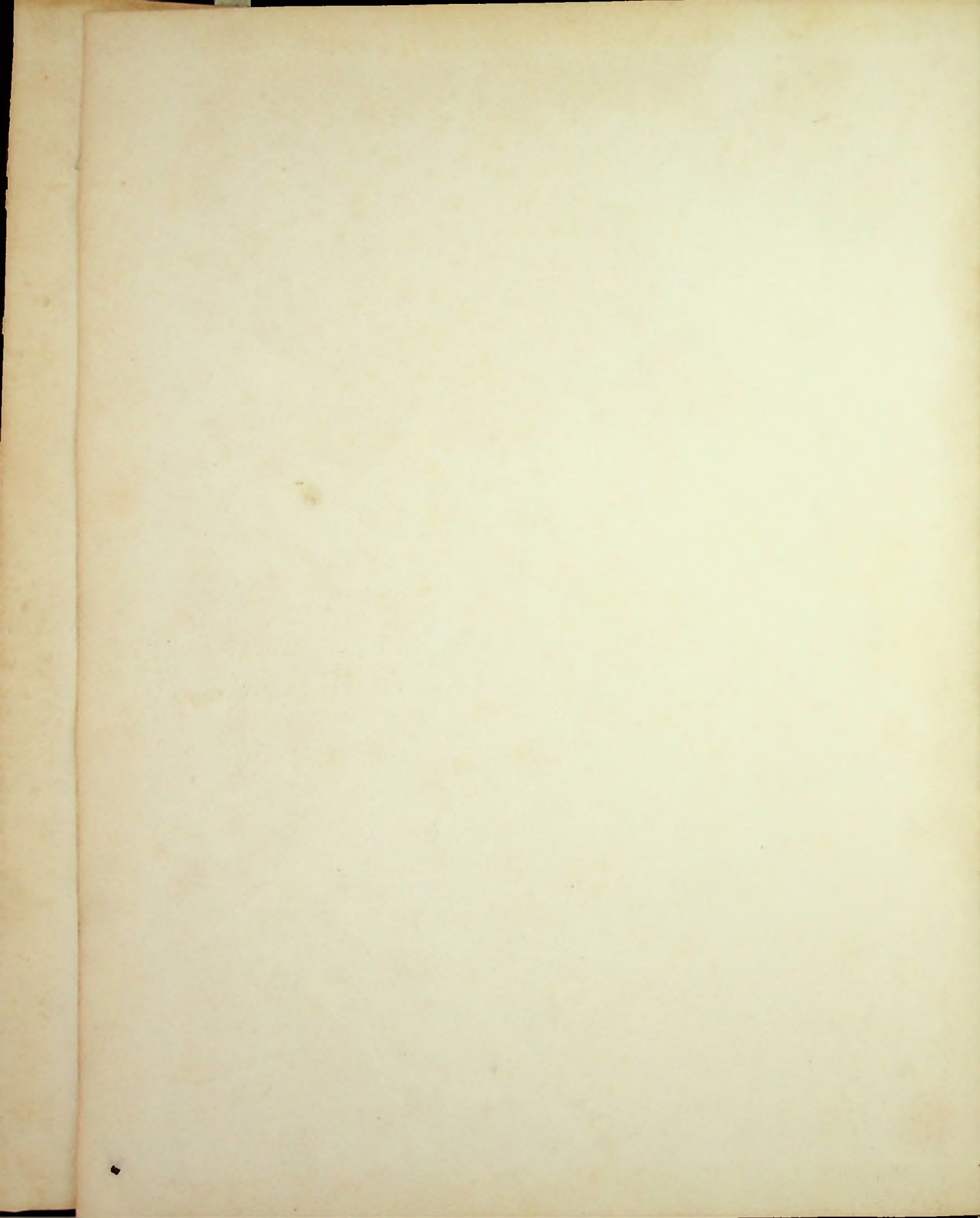
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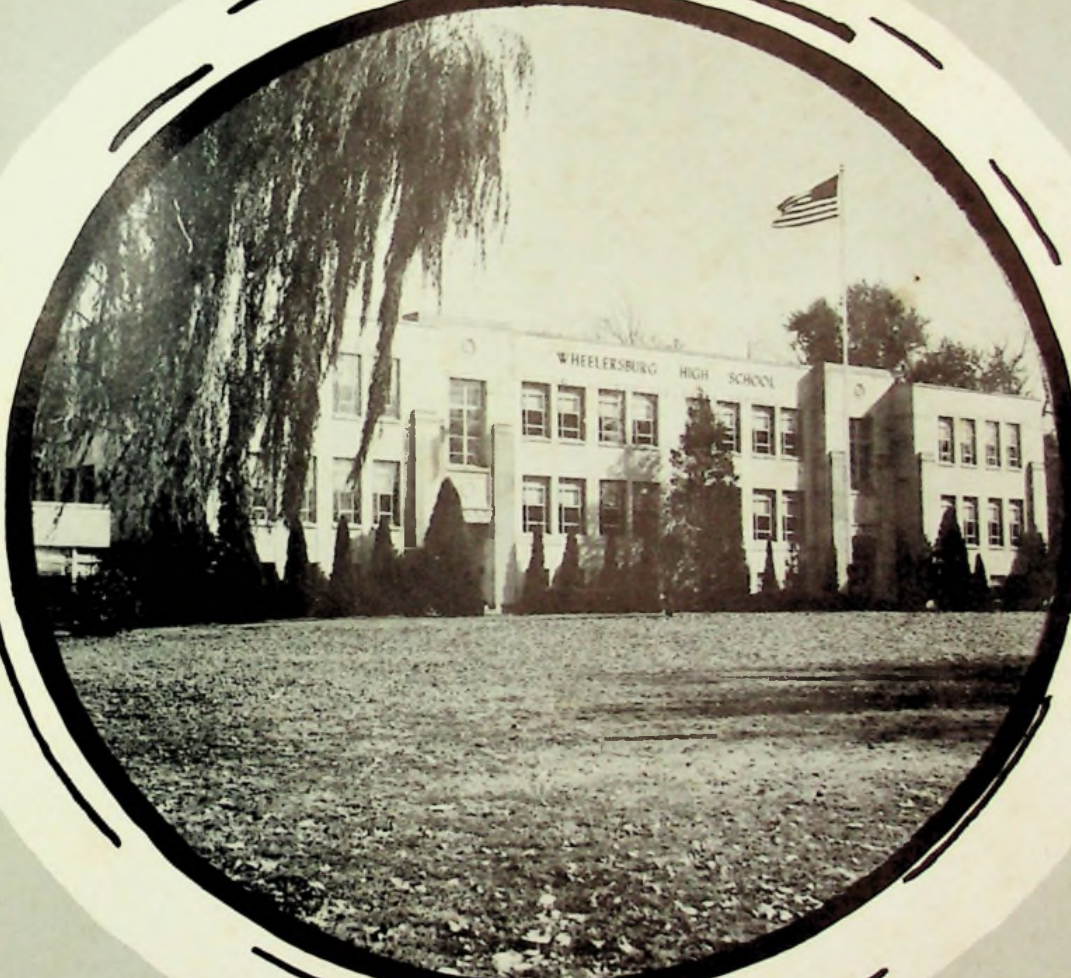
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Jack Leon

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Carol Knight  
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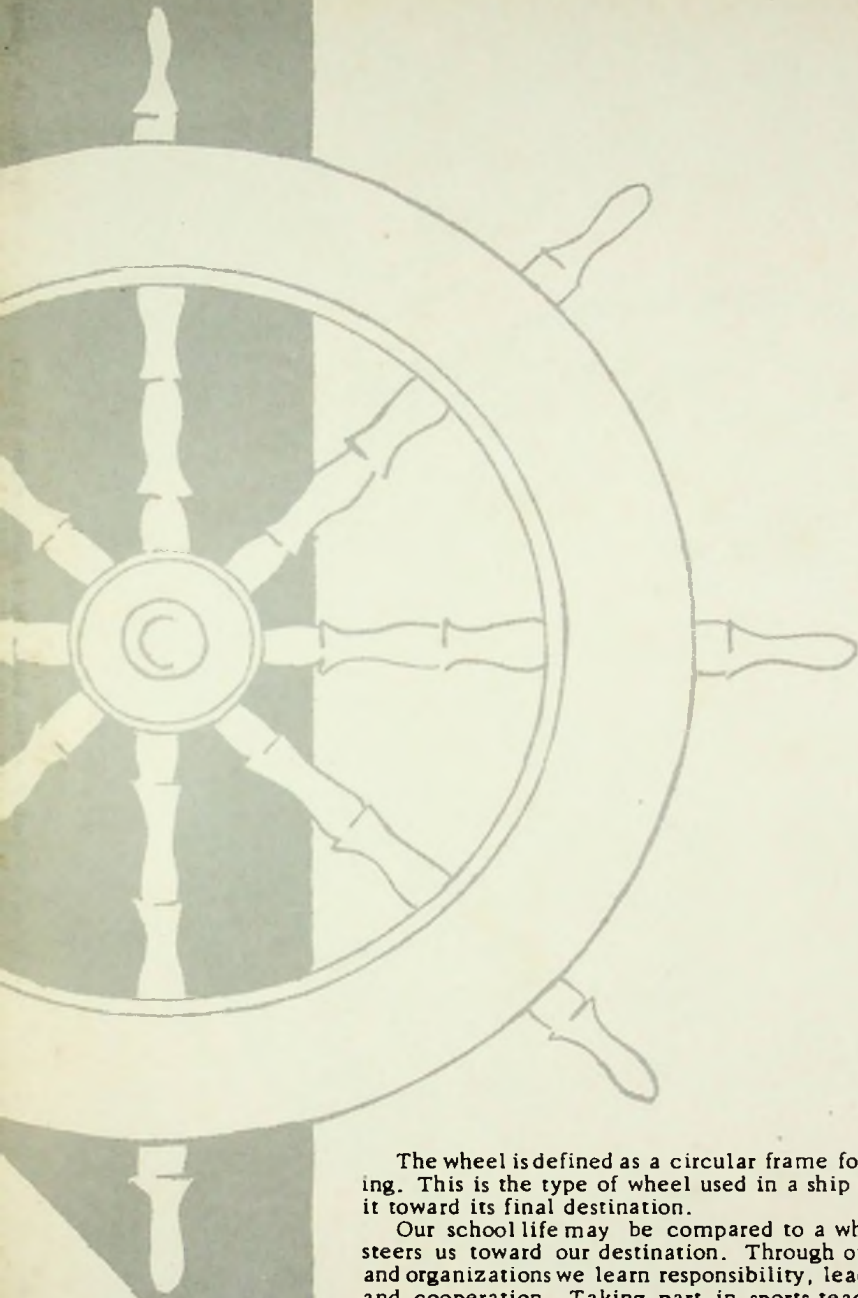


# THE WHEEL 1956



WHEELERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL  
WHEELERSBURG, OHIO





The wheel is defined as a circular frame for steering. This is the type of wheel used in a ship to steer it toward its final destination.

Our school life may be compared to a wheel. It steers us toward our destination. Through our clubs and organizations we learn responsibility, leadership, and cooperation. Taking part in sports teaches the importance of teamwork and sportsmanship. The ordinary school day is educational to us both for learning in our classes, which offer new information daily, and for learning to establish congenial relations with those around us. The advantages that our school offers should steer us toward becoming happy, successful, and upright citizens.

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# ADMINISTRATION—FACULTY



..... Our leaders and guides as we journey through school.



# OUR SUPERINTENDENT

EDWARD R. McCOWEN, Scioto County Superintendent, received his B. S. Degree from Ohio University, the Masters Degree from Northwestern University and has attended both Otterbein College and Harvard University.

Superintendent McCowen said in a statement to us, "The progress of all rural schools has been satisfactory and we are indeed proud of the splendid record of our schools. New School Legislation which goes into effect in 1956 should help us improve our systems in many ways. We must never be content with our progress, however, and our sights must be placed on the years to come from 1960 on through 1970 in order to meet the needs of our growing school population. The County Administration sends its congratulations to the Wheelersburg High School, the entire Staff, Principal, and Board of Education, and especially to the student body for a job well done."

BOARD OF EDUCATION: S. A. Purtee, D. V. Jackson, J. Harper Preston, Carl J. Herms, Raymond Conklin.



# OUR PRINCIPAL

JACOB H. SEE, Local Executive Head of the Wheelersburg Schools, received his B. S. degree in Education from Ohio University and his Master's degree from Ohio University Graduate School.

Educational experiences of Mr. See have been varied. He has taught classes of elementary, secondary, and college level. Previous to his position as principal, Mr. See served as assistant principal for two years. He has now successfully completed his fifth year as our principal.

Mr. See gives us this message: "Congratulations and best wishes to the yearbook staff and the senior class of 1956. You are the final measurement of the results of the efforts of your teachers and the school administration. It may be years before an accurate evaluation of your real worth to mankind can be made, but, somehow, we believe you will make a directed contribution."



ARTHUR D. PRESTON, Assistant Principal, received his B.S. degree in Education from the University of Wilmington. He also attended Ohio University, and the University of Cincinnati.

Mr. Preston has taught school for twenty-five years. He was basketball coach for seven years, and has now been our able assistant principal for two years.

KATHALEEN SKIVER, Secretary and Office Assistant, attended the Office Training School in Columbus.

Miss Skiver has been the competent secretary of Mr. See for the past five years. Her other secretarial experiences include employment at the Selby Shoe Company and at Curtiss Wright in Columbus.



# OUR



EVELYN COLLINS



LYDA SHEPHERD



WILLA RICHARDS



C. H. DUDUIT



CHARLES BOYD



JO SUE BURKHART

MISS EVELYN COLLINS  
Vocal Music. A.B. Music, Marshall  
College.

MR. C. H. DUDUIT  
Math. B.S. Education, Ohio Uni-  
versity, M.A. Education, Ohio Uni-  
versity.

MISS LYDA SHEPHERD  
Typing, Shorthand, Office Ma-  
chines. A.B. Education, Eastern  
Kentucky State College.

MR. CHARLES BOYD  
Driving, Science, Geography. A.B.  
Business Administration, The Ohio  
State University, B.S. Education,  
Rio Grande College.

MISS WILLA RICHARDS  
English, Speech. A.B. Education,  
Eastern Kentucky State College.

MRS. OSCAR BURKHART  
Physical Education, Health, Sci-  
ence. A.B. Education, Marshall  
College.

# FACULTY



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DON GROH

MRS. TILLMAN SCHINDLER  
Home Economics. B.S. Home Economics, The Ohio State University.

MR. FORREST COLEGROVE  
Math, French. B.A. Mathematics, Ohio University, Baylor University, University of Maryland.

MR. DONALD GROH  
Science, Biology, Chemistry, Assistant Coach--football and basketball. B.S. Zoology, Ohio University.

MR. JOHN MILLER  
History. B.S. Education, Ohio University.

MR. JOHN SCHAFFER  
Shop, Woodworking, Mechanical Drawing. B.S. Education, Ohio University.

MISS RUTH HUMPHREY  
Latin, Bookkeeping, English. A.B. Education, Ohio University, M.A. Education, Ohio State University, M.S. Western Reserve.



JOHN SCHAFFER



RUTH HUMPHREY



JOHN MILLER



FORREST COLEGROVE

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Spelling and Literature, Geography,  
World History, Social Living, and  
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versity, B. A., B. S. in Ed., Ohio  
University.

Mr. GEORGE TAYLOR  
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tory, De Pave University, Marshall  
College, University of Wisconsin,  
Eastern Kentucky.



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State B. S. Ed.

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World and American History, Phys.  
Ed., Psychology. A. B., M. A., Tran-  
sylvania University, Indiana Uni-  
versity of Kentucky.



CLAUDE ESTEPP

Mr. CLAUDE ESTEPP  
Phys. Ed., Science, Ec. Geography,  
Physiology. M.A. Marshall College,  
B. A. Ohio Wesleyan University.

Miss LOIS THOMPSON  
English, Spanish. Bob Jones Univer-  
sity, B. A., Ohio University.



GEORGE TAYLOR



ANDY HOPKINS



LOIS THOMPSON

# CLASSMEN



..... The pilot at the helm.



### Class Officers

Virginia Harner, Treasurer

John Lupe, Vice President

Don Warner, President

Marilyn Delabar, Secretary

### Class Colors

Red and White

### Class Flower

Red Rose

### Class Motto

"He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much."

### Class Sponsors

Mr. Donald Groh

Mr. Charles Boyd

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KENNETH EUGENE ALEXANDER  
"Virg"  
Football Mgr. 1,2; Baseball 2,3,4;  
Class Play 3; Escort 4.



SHIRLEY ANNE ARMSTRONG  
"Armstrong"  
Library 1,2,3,4; Latin C. 1,2,3; F.  
H.A. 1; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Newspaper  
4; Pep C. 3; Student Sec. 4.



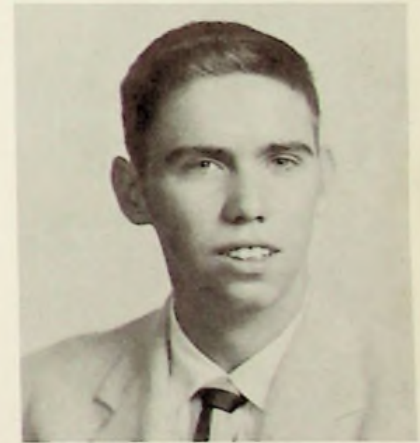
NANCY LOU BAYS "Nancy"  
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Sec. 4; G.A.A. 2,3,  
4; Glee C. 2,3,4; Mixed Ch. 4; Fes-  
tival 4; Pep C. 2,3,4; Newspaper 4;  
Cheerleader Mgr. 4; Sigma Tau Phi  
4; Pres. 4; Library C. 1,2,3,4; Office  
Staff 4.



SYLVIA JANE BAYS "Windy"  
F.H.A. 3,4; G.A.A. 4; Sigma Tau  
Phi 4; Newspaper 4; Class Play 3,4;  
Scholarship 2; Minstrel 4; Pep C. 3,  
4; Sr. Scholarship 4.



KATHERINE ANN BIHL "Bihl"  
Glee C. 1,2,3; Mixed Ch. 3; Piano  
Accompanist 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4;  
Vice Pres. 3; Astronomy C. 3; Sigma  
Tau Phi 4; Newspaper 4; Festival 3;  
Latin C. 1,2,3,4; Octet 3; Pep C.  
1,2,3,4.



ROGER LEE BOLANDER "Os"



IDA ELIZABETH BOWMAN "Peggy"  
Scholarship 1; Class Play 3; Sigma  
Tau Phi 4; Newspaper 4; Ring Com.  
2; Student Sec. 4.



ANTHONY WAYNE BUSSLER  
"Bevo"  
Basketball 2,3,4; Football 2; East  
High School 1.



MYRTLE LEE CARTER "Mert"  
Mixed Ch. 3; Student Sec. 4; Sig-  
ma Tau Phi 4; Newspaper 4.



LARRY RAY CUNNINGHAM  
"Cumbo"  
Class Play 3,4; Mixed Ch. 1,2,3,4;  
Football 1; Class Pres. 3; Festival  
1,2,3,4.



JACOB HAIRSTION GERLACH  
"Jake"  
Band 1,2,3,4; Scholarship 1,2,3,4;  
Latin C. 3; Chess C. 4; Mixed Ch.  
3; Library C. 3,4; Science C. 3; V.  
Pres. 3; Festival 3.

MARILYN CHRISTINE DELABAR  
"Marilyn"  
Library C. 1,2,3,4; Sec. 2; Treas. 3;  
Latin C. 1,2,3,4; Sec. 4; F.H.A. 3,  
4; Hist. 4; Cheerleader 4; Basket-  
ball Att. 3; Miss W. H. S. Att. 2;  
Class Sec. 3,4; Sigma Tau Phi 4;  
Newspaper 4; Student Sec. 4; Sr.  
Scholarship 4; Pep C. 2,3,4; Min-  
strel 4.

LOREN ELMER GLEIM "Creamy"  
Baseball 2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; Festival  
1,3; Class Play 3,4; Football Home-  
coming Escort.

IDA ALTA HALE "Ida"  
F.H.A. 1,2,3; Class Play 3.

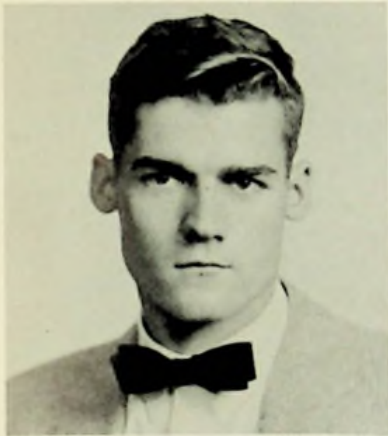




JERRY LEE COLLINGSWORTH  
"Jerry"  
Football 4; Basketball 1; Class Play  
3.



KARL MONROE CUNNINGHAM  
"Karl"



WILBUR FITCH "Wilbur"

HELEN LOUISE HAMMOND  
"Helen"  
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Treas. 2; Pres. 3;  
G.A.A. 3,4; Glee C. 4; Newspaper  
4; Ed. 4; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Sr. Schol-  
arship 4; Festival 4; Pep C. 2,3,4;  
Football Att. 1.



JUDITH ANN FRANCK "Judy"  
Library C. 2,3,4; Sec. 4; F.H.A. 1,  
2,3,4; Pep C. 2,3,4; G.A.A. 4; Class  
Play 4; Minstrel 2.

VIRGINIA ANNE HARNER "Ginny"  
Library C. 1,2,3,4; Sec. 3; Pres. 4;  
Latin C. 1,2,3; F.H.A. 1; Class  
Treas. 3,4; Pep C. 3,4; Scholarship  
1,2,3; Sr. Scholarship 4.



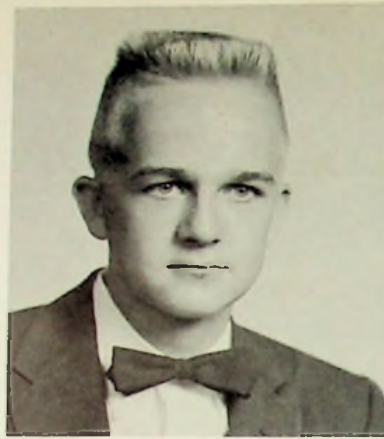
NORMA JEAN ESKRIDGE "Norma"  
Green 1,2; Glee C. 4; Mixed Ch.  
4; Football Att. 3; F.H.A. 3,4; Pres.  
4; Cheerleading Mgr. 4; Festival 4;  
Sigma Tau Phi 4; V. Pres. 4; Bas-  
ketball Queen 4.

LALIA YVONNE HARRIS "Bonnie"  
Cheerleader 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4;  
G.A.A. 3,4; Minstrel 2,4; Glee C.  
3,4; Mixed Ch. 4; Pep C. 2,3,4.





JAMES LEE HOGAN "Jim"  
Football 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; Festival 2; Class Play 3.



FLOYD HOLSINGER "Bird"



BARBARA ANN JAMES "Barb"  
Latin C. 1,2,3; Library C. 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 4; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Basketball Att. 2; Newspaper 4; Student Sec. 4; Pep C. 2,3,4.

JUDITH ARNETTA HOSKINS "Midge"  
Glee C. 1,2,3,4; Mixed Ch. 4; Latin C. 1,2,3; Newspaper 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Treas. 4; Sigma Tau Phi 4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Football Queen 4; Minstrel 2,4; Class Play 3,4; Pep C. 2,3,4; Festival 4; W.H.A. Att. 1.



JAY CLINE JENKINS "Pedro"

DIANE SUE LANG "Di"  
F.H.A. 2,3; Glee C. 2,3,4; Pep C. 2,3,4; Minstrel 4; Festival 4; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Newspaper 4; G.A.A. 4; Mixed Ch. 4.



NANCY ELLEN LEWIS "Nancy"  
F.H.A. 3,4; G.A.A. 4; Pep C. 4; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Newspaper 4.



ROBERT LEE LITTERAL "Bub"  
Band 1; Latin C. 1,2,3; Class Pres. 1; Class Treas. 2; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Science C. 3; Scholarship 1,2,3,4; Sr. Scholarship 4; Ring Com. 2; Festival 1; Football 1,2,3,4; All SOC 2; All OVHAS 3,4.





KENNETH OSCAR HUNT "K. O."



ROBERT EUGENE ISHMAEL "Bob"



JAMES DANIEL JOHNSON "Danny"  
Mixed Ch. 1; Chess C. 4.



JAMES RONALD JOHNSON "Ronnie"



JERRY EDWARD JONES "Jerry"  
Band 1,2,3; Class Play 3,4; Basket-  
ball 2,4; Football 3; Class V. Pres.  
1,2; Ring Com. 2; Festival 1,2;  
Escort 2; Latin C. 1.

JOHN EDWARD LUPE "Jack"  
Latin C. 1; Baseball Statistician 2,  
3,4; Class Play 3; Science C. 3;  
Basketball escort 3; Football escort  
4; Class V. Pres. 4.

SONDRA ANN McCARTY "Gesmo"  
Latin C. 1; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep C.  
2,3,4; G.A.A. 2,3,4; Glee C. 1,2,  
3,4; Mixed Ch. 4; Festival 3,4;  
Minstrel 2,4; Class Play 3.

SHARON SUE MCGINN "Sharon"  
F.H.A. 1,2; Pep C. 2,3,4; Class Play  
3,4; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Newspaper  
4; Student Sec. 4; Minstrel 2.

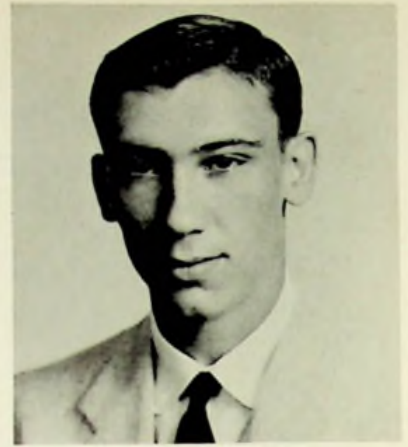




WILLIAM J. MILLER "Bill"  
 Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4;  
 Class Treas. 1,2; Ring Com. 2; All  
 Soc. 3; All Star 4.



MARY MARGARET MILLHOUSE "Mary"  
 F.H.A. 1,2; Class Play 3; Pep C. 1,  
 3,4,5; Student Sec. 4.



ROBERT LEE REED "Chic-Chic"



GEORGE OWENS "George"  
 Football 4; Class Sec. 1.



RONALD EUGENE RATLIFF "Ron"

MILFORD NEIL MINGUS "Shoulders"  
 New Boston 1,2; Band 3,4; V.E.S. 3,  
 4; Basketball Scorekeeper 3,4; Chess  
 C. 4.

HAROLD RAY NORRIS "Butch"  
 Basketball 2,3,4; Football 3,4; Ush-  
 er 3; Mixed Ch. 4.

JULIA LaVAUGHN RIGGS "Maybellene"  
 F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Song Leader 4;  
 G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Glee C. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Mixed Ch. 3,4; Pep C. 1,2,3,4;  
 Festival 4; Commencement 3; Class  
 Play 3,4; Minstrel 2,4.





DENVER RAIKE  
Class Play 3.

"Den"



FOREST EDGAR MULLINS "Moon"  
Baseball 1,3,4; Class Play 3; Schol-  
arship 1,3.



JAMES MITCHELL PACE "Mickey"  
Football 1; Baseball 1; Library C. 4;  
Chess C. 4; Scholarship 3; Sr. Schol-  
arship 4; Mixed Ch. 4; Festival 4.



MARCELA FAYE PYLES "Salty"  
Glee C. 1,2,3,4; Mixed Ch. 4;  
F. H. A. 2,3,4; F.H.A. Song Leader  
3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep C. 2,3,4;  
Miss W.H.S. Att. 3; Football Att.  
4; Festival 4; Minstrel 2.



MARY ANN MORRISON  
"Mary Ann"  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Treas. 3; Pres. 4;  
F.H.A. 1; Band 1,2,3; Glee C. 3;  
Mixed Ch. 3; Sextett 3; Festival  
1,2,3; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Sec. 4;  
Newspaper 4; Annual 4; Pep C. 1,2,  
3,4.

DAVID EUGENE SKAGGS

"Professor"

Mixed Ch. 1,2,3,4; Scholarship 2,3,  
Festival 1,2,3,4; Annual 3,4; Sr.  
Scholarship 4.

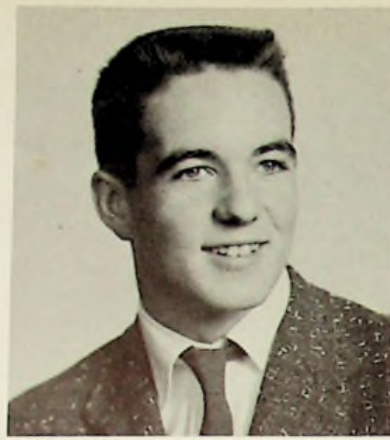
BOB LEE SKIVER "Caesar"  
Basketball Mgr. 1,2,3,4; Football  
Mgr. 3,4.

LLOYD SPRADLIN "Lloyd"  
Class Play 3.





VICKI ANN STAKER "Vicki"  
 G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; V. Pres. 4; Library  
 C. 1,2,3,4; Pres. 3; V. Pres. 2,4;  
 F.H.A. 1; Latin C. 1,2,3; Scholar-  
 ship 4; Commencement 3; Sigma  
 Tau Phi 4; Treas. 4; Newspaper 4;  
 Asst. Ed. 4; Glee C. 1,2,3,4; Mixed  
 Ch. 4; Festival 4; Basketball Att.  
 1; Pep C. 2,3,4; Ring Com. 3; An-  
 nual 2,3,4; Ed. 4.



DAVID DEE SPROUSE  
 "Davey Crockett"  
 Football 2,3,4; S.O.C. All Star 4;  
 Class Play 3; Mixed Ch. 4; Usher 3.



ADRIAN DOUGLAS SMITH  
 "Terrible Doug"  
 Basketball Mgr. 1,2,3,4; Football  
 Statistician 1,2,3,4; Latin C. 1,2,3.



JACK RANDALL TRIPLETT  
 "Neverwork"  
 Football 3,4; Baseball 4.



JACK DEAN TROUT "Jack"

HELEN JEAN WELCH "Welch-Cat"  
 Glee C. 1,2,3,4; Mixed Ch. 4; Fes-  
 tival 4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 2,  
 3,4; Pep C. 2,3,4; Class Play 3,4;  
 Minstrel 4.

ESTEL LUCILLE WILLIAMS  
 "Estelita"  
 Glee C. 1,2,3,4; Mixed Ch. 4; Fes-  
 tival 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Library C.  
 4; Pep C. 2,3,4; Minstrel 4; Stu-  
 dent Sec. 4.

WILBUR EUGENE WILLIAMS  
 "Eugene"  
 Baseball 1,2,3,4.



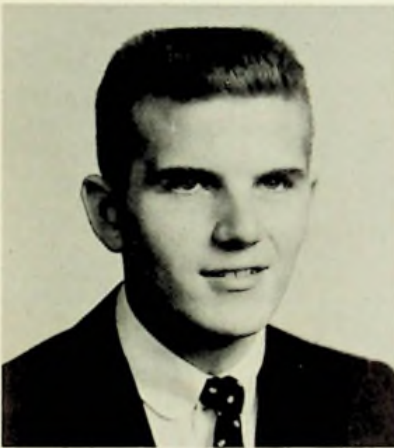




JUDY MAY STAMPER "Judy"  
Rock Hill H.S. 1,2,3.



MAX ROSCOE TOWNSEND "Max"  
Basketball 2,3; Baseball 2,3,4; Foot-  
ball 4.



GERALD THOMAS TURNER "Jerry"  
Football 1; Usher 3; Escort 2.



GERALD EUGENE WAGNER "Gud"



DONALD LEE WARNER "Don"  
Class Play 3,4; Class Pres. 4; Foot-  
ball 2,3,4.

JANET RUTH WILLIAMS "Janet"  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Library C. 1,2,3,4;  
Latin C. 1,2,3; Glee C. 4; Annual  
4; Festival 4; Commencement 3;  
Football Att. 2; Miss W.H.S. 1; F.  
H.A. 1,2; Pep C. 2,3,4.

SUE ANN WILLIAMS "Sue"  
Band 1,2; Latin C. 1,2,3; Library C.  
1,2,3,4; Festival 1,2; G.A.A. 1,2,3,  
4; Sigma Tau Phi 4; Newspaper 4;  
Basketball Att. 4; Pep C. 2,3,4; Stu-  
dent Sec. 4.

JACK FRANKLIN WILLIS  
"Cornwallace"



SENIOR

PERSONALITIES



**Most Athletic**  
Bonnie Harris  
Bill Miller



**Wittiest**  
Helen Welch  
Jerry Turner



**Most Popular**  
Norma Eskridge  
Larry Cunningham



**Best All Around**  
Norma Eskridge  
Robert Litteral



**Best Dancers**  
Sondra McCarty  
John Lupe



**Cutest**

Judy Hoskins  
Dave Sprouse



**Most likely To Succeed**

Virginia Harner  
Robert Litteral



**Most Musical**

Sondra McCarty  
Larry Cunningham



**Best Dressed**

Nancy Bays  
Jerry Turner



**Most Bashful**

Nancy Lewis  
Bill Miller



**Most Artistic**

Vicki Staker  
Butch Norris



### It's Been A Long, Long Way

We, the graduating class, have come a long way. From tiny tots, to grade school children, to high school students, we now find ourselves facing adulthood. We still have far to go, but one phase of our lives has been finished.



# JUNIORS



## Junior Class Officers

Jeanine Benford, Treasurer

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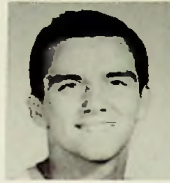
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Carol Fannin



Pat Flaughter



Eleanor Gill



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Beverly Hull



Donna James



Bob Jones



Ruth Justice



Ruth Kirkpatrick



Albert Lang



James Lemaster



Bob Lewis



David Lewis



Etta Litz



Laurna Mault



Hoy McGahan



Frank Merrill



Emma Meyers



Frank Miller



Shirley Miller



Pat Mitchell



Ralph Money



Ronald Morgan



Donna Moyer



Mike Newsome



Glenna Nickell



Gary Norris



Bill Patrick



Barbara Percell



Louise Rice



Bob Robertson



Yvonne Robinson



Charlotte Rogers



Roger Roof



Rosemary Simones



Betty Sizemore



Carol Smith



Carolyn Staker



George Taylor



Shirley Trout



Doug Turner



Margaret Turner



Joyce Wampler



Rock and Roll



Not Pictured: Judy Davis,  
Zane Fraley, Paul Knapp,  
Tonnia Morrison, Gwen Wil-  
liams

# SOPHOMORES



## Sophomore Class Officers

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Ivory Adkins    Margaret Bailey    Jessie Baisden    Carol Bays    David Bays    Shirley Bond



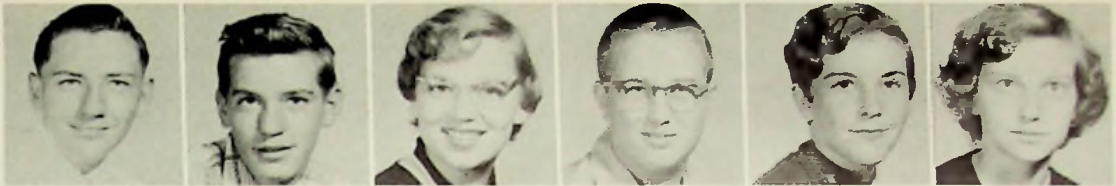
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Roger Cooper    Alvin Coriell    Patty Dalton    Danny DeCamp    Larry Ervin    John Eskridge







Cloice Frasure

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Joyce Gleim

David Gose

Bernita Grant

Joddy Green

Ann Haney

Raleigh Haney

Linda Harris

Lee Hinds

Shirley Horton

Richard Howland



Pat Ishmael

Barbara Johnson

Hester Jordan

Jane Jordan

Fred Justice

Jannie Leach

Janis Lemon

Carl Lewis

Bob Linkous

Karol Lyons

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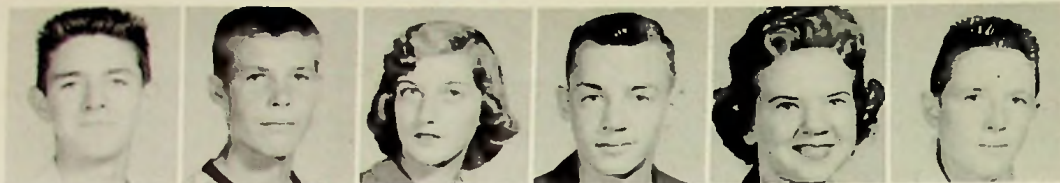
Judy Osborne

Wells Parker

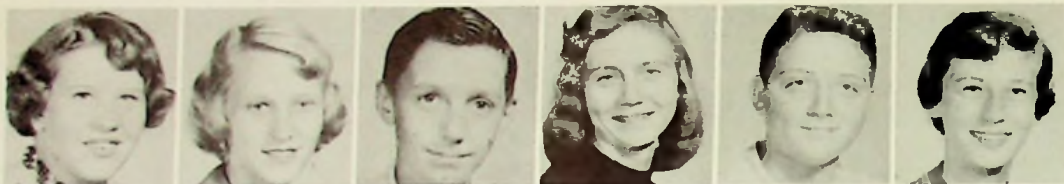
Shirley Parsons

Clarence Payne





Roger Perkins    Bill Raike    Evelyn Raike    John Rase    Helen Ratliff    Frank Ruth



Mary Shonkwiler    Gladys Skaggs    Ralph Snook    Phyllis Sparks    Dee Spradlin    Charlotte Sutton



John Taylor    Frank Wagner    James Wente    Laverne Wicker    Beulah Williams    Ethyl Williams



Jane Williams    Carolyn Willis    John Wilson    Dianna Wolfe    Doris Young    Morris Young

Not Pictured: Larry Beasley, Dewey Bailey, June Bradley, Leland Brown, Raymond Hacker, Jean Harn, Mike Schuler

"Di" and "Pat"



Are they really taking a test??



# FRESHMEN



## Freshmen Class Officers

Mary Alice Gleim, Secretary      Carol Randall, Vice President  
 Sharon Bowen, President          Oleta Hinds, Treasurer

Phil Adams      Gladys Adkins      Jhan Aeh      Donna Allard      Gary Allard      Ronnie Bays      Eddie Bays



Teresea Belcher      Christine Bihl      Lana Billups      Betty Binion      Sharon Bowen      Roger Boynton      Ada Brown



Marie Browning      Helen Burgess      Roger Call      Karen Chamberlin      George Cheek      Doris Coche      Dale Compliment



Emma Coytle      Bill Crabtree      Judy Culver      Ronald Cummins      Don Cunningham      James Curtis      Harold Danes





John Danner

Patty Eaton



Larry Davis

Cary Erwin



Becky DeCamp

Gary Erwin



Ruth Delabar

Vaden Eubank



Mike Dodds

Lou Evans



Carla Dunham

Richard Flaughter



Darlene Fraley



Mary Gleim



Garnet Hale



Janet Hale



Marilyn Hall



Richard Hall



Rokie Hatten



Karen Heasley



Oleta Hinds



Linda Holman



Stan Hoskins



Peggy Jacobs



Clyde Johnson



Sylvia Johnson



Harold Jordan



Doris Justice



Joyce Justice



Karen Kiser



Janice Lawson



Jimmy Leach



Paul LeMaster



Jerry Lewis



Ginger Lodwick



Bruce Logan



Melvin Loper



Chester Madden



Nancy Maple



Freda McGahan



Carolyn McHenry



Bernard McNeeley





Marilyn Miller



Mary Miller



Ronald Miller



Sandra Moore



Fred Morris



Harold Morris

Charlotte Morrison

Shirley Morrison

Henry Mullins

Joe Mullins

Linda Myers

Betty Neal



Pat Newsome



Judy Nickell



Garnet Noel



Phyllis Parker



Laoma Perkins



Lonnie Ramey



Carol Randall



Sue Rase



Delmar Ratliff



Nelson Riggs



Darlene Riggsby



Conalee Salmons



Patty Schiltz



Jacob See



Eugene Sexton



Winona Spry



John Stonerock



Edgar Triplett



Darrell Trout



Donna Turner



Loretta Turvey



Carolyn Warner



Mary Wessell



Marjorie Williams



Linda Witten



Ronald Yates



Not Pictured: Lloyd Cook, Larry Culver, David Fraley, Charles Freelan, Carol Griffey, Bob Huffman, Darlene Manning, Charlotte Marion, Alice Martin, Charlotte Pollit, Harold Reed



### 8-A Class Officers

Barbara Wilson . . . . . President  
 Sharon Chamberlin . . . Vice President  
 Margaret Binion . . . . . Treasurer  
 Judy Strickland . . . . . Secretary



### 8-B Class Officers

James Huffman . . . . . President  
 Mike Mucha . . . . . Treasurer  
 Charlene Curtis . . . . . Secretary  
 David Boyer . . . . . Vice President



### 8-C Class Officers

Annette Benford . . . . . President  
 Carol Ottworth . . . . . Secretary  
 Elizabeth Crabtree . . . Vice President  
 Patty Roe . . . . . Treasurer

# EIGHTH GRADE

ROW 1: B. Baisden, R. Ball, M. Barry, A. Benford, B. Bihl, J. Bihl, J. Bihl, M. Binion, D. Boyer, S. Boyle.  
 ROW 2: F. Brisker, L. Burgess, T. Burgess, B. Call, I. Call, L. Call, S. Chamberlin, G. Claxon, B. Coche, R. Cole. ROW 3: N. Conley, J. Cooper, B. Cowser, E.

Crabtree, B. Craig, C. Curtis, M. Evans, R. Fraley, B. Gerlach, P. Gerlach. ROW 4: G. Gleim, R. Gleim, S. Gleim, M. Grutze, R. Hall, N. Hatten, M. Hinds, J. Hoover, J. Huffman, J. Jenkins.





ROW 1: G. Johnson, J. Johnson, B. Keeney, N. Kelly, T. Leake, G. Leibold, B. Lewis, K. Linkous, M. Lockhart, B. Lucas. ROW 2: B. Mault, S. Mays, S. McCann, D. McNeeley, R. McQuay, B. McWharter, D. Meenach, M. Mucha, A. Mullins, M. Nelson. ROW 3: K. Norris, L. Otney, C. Otworth, C. Owens, R. Owens, M. Parsley,

P. Pelfrey, S. Percell, T. Perdue. ROW 4: D. Pollard, J. Raikie, D. Rigsby, P. Roe, J. Russell, J. Sherman, R. Snook, D. Spradlin, J. Strickland, B. Wilson, J. Wolfe, C. Wright, R. Yerian. NOT PICTURED: G. Boggs, L. Coyle, M. May, C. Wheeler.



### 7-A Class Officers

Mary Ellen Staker . . . . . Treasurer  
 David McGoron . . . . . President  
 Sandra Williams . . . . . Secretary  
 Bob Mullins . . . . . Vice President

### 7-B Class Officers

Mike Roe . . . . . President  
 Bob Miller . . . . . Vice President  
 Roy Maple . . . . . Treasurer  
 Clara Tolbert . . . . . Secretary

### 7-C Class Officers

Joyce Warner . . . . . Secretary  
 Mary Lou Bihl . . . . . Treasurer  
 Connie Schiltz . . . . . Vice President  
 Carol Angell . . . . . President

# SEVENTH GRADE

P. Adams, T. Adkins, C. Angell, C. Barker, S. Barnett, B. Bays, M. Bihl, G. Billups, M. Binion, D. Bobst.





## SEVENTH GRADE

ROW 1: J. Boggs, S. Brown, G. Carmichael, L. Clark, W. Claxon, C. Cooper, M. Copley, W. Craft, L. Craig, L. Culver. ROW 2: J. Cummins, B. Cunningham, G. Cunningham, L. Dalton, T. Dalton, P. Davis, R. Dean, J. Eaggleson, L. Earwood, N. Eaton. ROW 3: G. Ervin, S. Flaughter, B. Gerlach, M. Gill, F. Hall, P. Hall, K. Harris, G. Harrison, M. H lbrook, J. Holliday. ROW 4: M. Humble, D. Jackson, G. Johnson, M. Johnson, P. Johnson, V. Keeney, B. Kiser, C. Leadingham, J. Lemon, D. Lewis. ROW 5: C. Linkous, M. Linkous, J. Lockhart, L. Lykins, R. Maple, P. Markle, C. Martin, J. McGahan, S. McGahan, D. McGoron. ROW 6: D. Millard, B. Mil-

ler, J. Norris, M. Morrison, R. Mullins, J. Musick, F. Oliver, J. Osborne, R. Owens, J. Pace. ROW 7: D. Pitts, L. Raike, B. Ramey, D. Rensenberger, M. Roe, B. Rogers, G. Ruggles, L. Ruggles, L. Sally, D. Savage. ROW 8: C. Schiltz, L. Shope, P. Smith, M. Sommer, C. Sprouse, M. Staker, R. Staker, I. Stockham, B. Thornton, B. Tilly. ROW 9: C. Tolbert, C. Tolbert, H. Triplet, B. Turner, K. Turner, J. Warner, R. Williams, S. Williams, R. Wolfe, G. Yelley. Not Pictured: J. Armstrong, P. Bein-kampen, D. Fetters, S. Gayhart, R. Gose, B. Hacker, D. Hacker, T. Marsh, B. Oliver, M. Smith, R. Tingler, D. Wheeler, L. Wheeler.





ELEMENTARY TEACHERS of grades three through six--TOP ROW: Thelma Smith, Lester Collett, Elementary Principal. SECOND ROW: Mary Wampler, Violet Preston, Louise Newland, Helen McCowen, Loyzelle Haffner. BOTTOM ROW: Anne Thompson, Mona Chick, Loreen Stanley, Lillian Barney. Not Pictured: Ruth Conklin and Virginia Steed.

## ELEMENTARY

. . . . . Representing the students of grades one through six are various persons and scenes which are a familiar part of their school life.

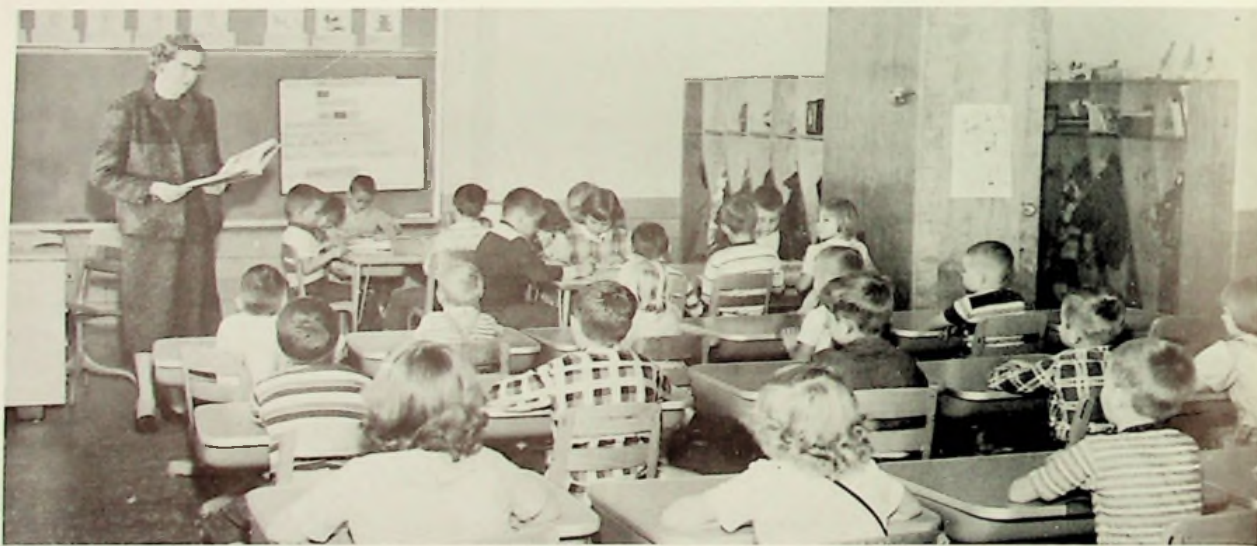
CAFFETERIA COOKS for grades one and two, and also, for the junior high and high school students--TOP: Dorothy Smith, Mary Willard, Marie Eagleson, Carrie Duncan, Clare Blair. COOKS for grades three through six--BOTTOM: Marie Lemaster, Bernice Spradlin, Enid Purtee, Marjorie Braden. Not Pictured: Myrtle McLeod.





### New Building Greets New Students

The new elementary addition to the high school building was occupied for the first time this fall. First graders began their school careers in cheery, modern classrooms. Built-in wash basins, desks with tiled tops, and their own special blonde piano helped to make school more fun for the youngsters.



**Elementary Teachers** of grades one and two--Ollie Hibbitts, Rachael Danner, Elizabeth Merrill, Avanelle Staker, Cecil Pollock, Bertha Perdue, Seva Switt, Geneva Gleim.



# ACTIVITIES



. . . . .A teacher of cooperation, responsibility, leadership. . .



TOP ROW: Bev Hull, Donna Moyer, Pat Morrison (Treas.) Helen Ratliff, Nancy Lewis, Norma Eskridge, Helen Hammond, Dianne Lang, Ruth Delabar, Marilyn Delabar (Sec.), Charlotte Sutton, Larna Mault, Carol Smith, Vicki Staker (V. Pres.), Mrs Burkhardt (Sponsor). SEC-  
OND ROW: Janet Williams, Barb James, Shirley Miller,

Pat Mitchell, Barb Johnson, Mary Ann Morrison (Pres.),  
Carolyn Staker, Ann Bihl, Jane Bays. BOTTOM ROW:  
Judy Franck, Sondra McCarty, Julia Riggs, Nancy Bays,  
Bonnie Harris, Marcella Pyle, Judy Hoskins, Sue Ann  
Rase.

## G.A.A.



Early in the fall, the remaining members of the previous year's G. A. A. (Girl's Athletic Association) gathered for a weiner roast. After every girl had eaten heartily and the last sparks of the fire were dying away, a brief meeting was held. The girls elected their club officers and selected new members.

The highlight for the club was the initiation of new members held one evening in October. Arriving at the school gym, the oddly dressed initiate was greeted by her Big Sister, an old member, whose every command she was to obey. Soon the initiate found herself doing strange things; pushing a lipstick across the gym floor with her nose--carrying her Big Sister piggy-back--singing a solo in her loudest voice. Not soon to be forgotten was the sting as she scrambled through the human paddle machine; nor the gasping and gagging as she was forced to swallow a highly - seasoned, unappetizing mixture. More tasty, however, was the cider and doughnuts which was served after the initiation was finished. The girls completed the evening with a "Halloween Begging" at the homes of various acquaintances in the 'Burg.





## Newspaper Staff

Helen Hammond (Ed.), Vicki Staker (Ast. Ed.), Norma Eskridge (Business Mgr.), Sue Williams (Social Ed.), Nancy Lewis (Art Ed.), Nancy Bays, Shirley Armstrong, Ann Bihl, Peggy Bowman, Judy Hoskins, Barbara James, Mary Ann Morrison, Marilyn Delabar, Sharon McGinn, Myrtle Carter, Jane Bays, Dianne Lang (Reporters).

As the '55 school year was rapidly coming to an end, the Sigma Tau Pi distributed invitations to a Hamburger Fry which was to be given in honor of its new members. To the Junior girl receiving an invitation, this signified that she had qualified for membership in the club with a 'B' average in typing, and had been selected by the current members.

The Hamburger Fry provided plenty of food and fun for all. A short meeting was also held at this time. The new members elected their club officers and newspaper editorial staff for the coming year.

Throughout the year the '56 Sigma Tau Pi has had several activities other than its regular meetings. These include: parties at various members' homes, a weiner roast, a Christmas party, and the publication of the school newspaper, "Kampus Kapers."

In its newspaper the Kampus Kapers staff attempts to report current happenings concerning the school, feature persons and events of interest, and provide amusement with special articles.

## Sigma Tau Pi:

TOP ROW: Shirley Armstrong, Dianne Lang, Marilyn Delabar, Jane Bays, Nancy Lewis, Miss Shepherd (Sponsor), Peggy Bowman, Sharon McGinn, Myrtle Carter,

Helen Hammond, Barbara James. BOTTOM ROW: Vicki Staker (Treas.), Nancy Bays (Pres.), Mary Ann Morrison (Sec.) Norma Eskridge (V. Pres.) Ann Bihl, Judy Hoskins.





### Latin Club

TOP ROW: Richard Howland, Alan Bowen, Jacob Gerlach, Phillip Colegrove. SECOND ROW: Carol Smith, Carolyn Staker, Pat Mitchell, Shirley Horton, Beulah Williams. THIRD ROW: Shirley Parson, Vicki Staker, Barbara James, Janet Williams, Virginia Har-

ner, Margaret Bailey, Janice Lemon. FOURTH ROW: Charlotte Sutton, Donna Moyer, Beverly Hull, Linda Harris, Patty Dalton, Shirley Miller, Connie Cliffe, Barbara Percell, Vaughn Hall.

The Latin Club is sponsored by Miss Humphrey. The club's main purpose is to learn and to understand more about the Roman customs and their environment. To become a member of the club, one must have studied Latin for at least one year.

The French Club is sponsored by Mr. Colegrove. To become a member one must have taken at least one year of French. The Club's greatest purpose is to give the students a better understanding and appreciation of the French language.

### French Club

TOP ROW: Peggy Jacobs, Laoma Perkins, Jan Aeh, Becky DeCamp, Linda Witten. SECOND ROW: Mr. Colegrove, Ada Brown, Mary Gliem, Nancy Maple, Mary Culper, Linda Holman. THIRD ROW: Roger

Boynton, Ronnie Bays, Bob Huffman, Jake See, Carolyn McHenry, Carla Dunham, Lana Billups. FOURTH ROW: Harold Jordan, Lois Evans, Darlene Fraley, Carol Randall, Betty Hine, Linda Meyers, Donna Allard.



# P. T. A. GIVES BOOKS

The Parent-Teachers Association for the second consecutive year gave books to the high school library. Approximately one hundred fiction books were donated for the students' enjoyment.

Another of the P.T.A.'s activities which was of benefit to the students, was the presentation of a two hundred dollar Teaching Scholarship. This Scholarship was awarded to Helen Hammond, salutatorian of the '56 graduating class.

To raise money the Association held several bake sales, and sponsored a carnival at the high school. The carnival presented entertainment for everyone.

The P.T.A. held their annual Spring Round-Up in April. Children who would enter school the following year were registered, were given physical and dental check-ups, and were shown the first grade class rooms.

**A Librarian checks** the library's new books.



## P. T. A. Executive Committee

Thomas DeCamp (Pres.), Duncan Harrison, (Publicity Chairman), Mrs. Donald Garrett (Membership Chairman), Mrs. Rional Frazier (Ways and Means Chairman), Mrs. Donald Groh (Health Chairman), Mrs. Arnold Staker, (Sec.), Mrs. William Warner (Magazine Chairman).

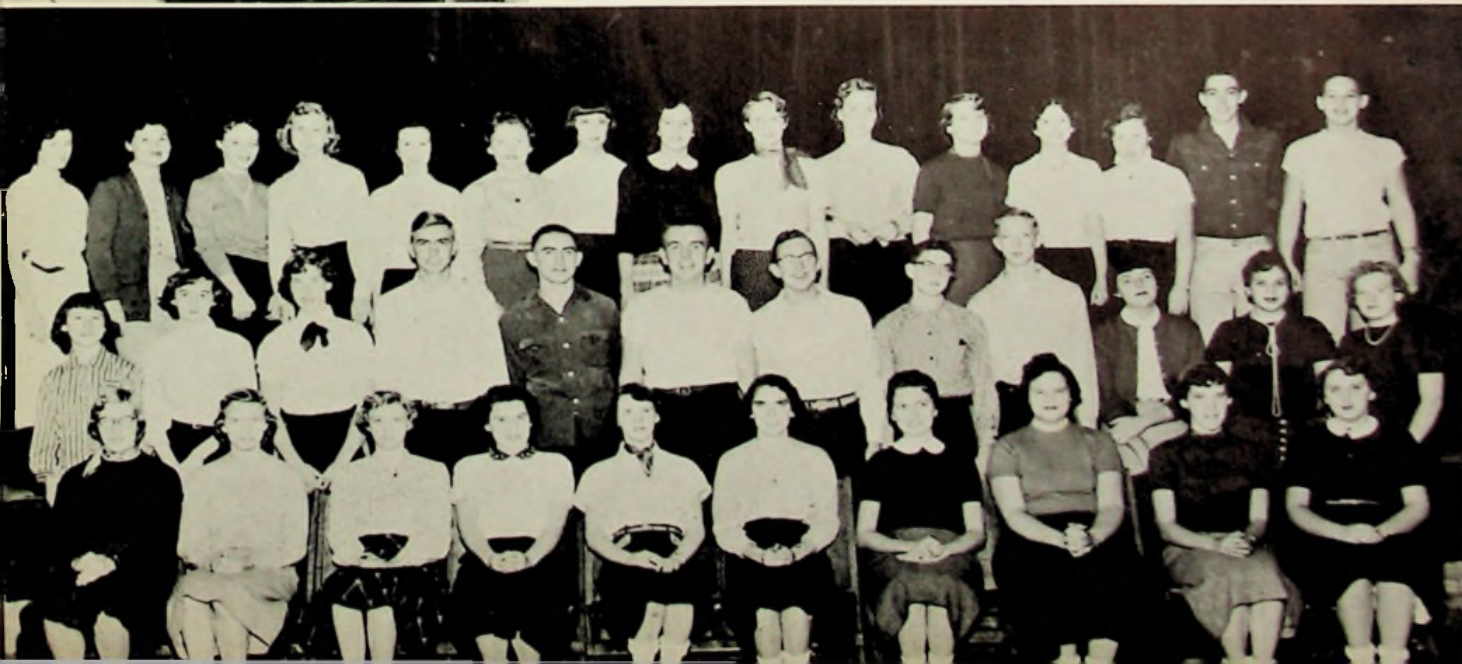
There are approximately sixty members in the '56 Library Club. The chief endeavor of the club is to serve the students to the best of its ability.

Library Club members also belong to another organization, the Scioto Association of Student Librarians, which is helpful in showing the students new and improved methods of working in the library and also has recreational facilities.

Several club members attended the Book Fair held in Portsmouth this year. Many interesting displays were seen, a dinner was served, and a program was presented later in the evening.

## Library Club

TOP ROW: Ruth Kirkpatrick, Shirley Armstrong, Jeanine Benford, Shirley Miller, Barbara Percell, Bev Hull, Carol Fannin, Charlotte Rogers, Shirley Trout, Beulah Williams, Janice Lemon, Linda Harris, Donna James. MIDDLE ROW: Carla Dunham, Linda Witten, Ruth Delabar, Jacob Gerlach, James Pace, Alan Bowen, Hershel Burke, Richard Howland, Phil Colegrove, Patty Mitchell, Patty Ishmael, Barb James. BOTTOM ROW: Carolyn Staker, Janet Williams, Ruth McQuay, Virginia Harner (Pres.), Judy Franck (Treas.), Shirley Horton (Sec.), Vicki Staker (V. Pres.), Alice Allen, Marilyn Delabar, Nancy Bays.





**F.H.A.** (Future Homemakers of America) is one of the largest and most active clubs at Wheelersburg High. To be eligible for the F.H.A. a girl must have taken at least one year of home economics and must be interested in homemaking.

The first event in the activities of the F.H.A. was a picnic held at the home of the club's sponsor. Also, at this time the girls held their annual election of officers.

Early in the year the new members of the club were initiated. Part of the initiation was to come to school wearing tiny red and white ribbons in their hair and a white apron with the club's name in red.

As Christmas was drawing near, the club held one of its parties. The home economics room took on a new glow with its brightly lighted Christmas tree and decorations. The girls entertained themselves with a passing party, they sang Christmas carols, and they listened to records while they munched on Christmas cookies and sipped punch.

In the spring the girls held a tea to honor their mothers. A pleasant evening was passed by the girls and their mothers.

Projects of the club included the selling of pencils, these pencils were especially printed in the club colors, red and white, with the national F.H.A. insignia. Another project was a special drive to gain canned foods and clothing. These goods were distributed to families who greatly appreciated them.

(New Members): TOP ROW: Charlotte Morrison, Virginia Salmons, Marilyn Miller, Donna Turner, Christine Bihl, Ginger Lodwick, Betty Binion, Pat Schiltz, Rokië Hatten, Charlotte Pollit, Sandra Moore, Carolyn Warner, Mary Miller, Carol Griffey, Nancy Maple, Sharon Bowen. SECOND ROW: Karen Cham-

berlin, Helen Burgess, Laoma Perkins, Sue Rase, Marilyn Hall, Ruth Delabar, Mrs. Schindler (Sponsor). BOTTOM ROW: Betty Neal, Doris Coche, Marjorie Williams, Darlene Fraley, Patty Eden, Carol Randall, Judy Osborne, Beulah Williams.







### F. H. A.

(Old Members): TOP ROW: Emma Myers, Donna James, Jeanne Benford, Tonnia Morrison, Carolyn Dutiel, Charlotte Rodgers (Ast. Sec.), Helen Hammond (Parliamentarian, Dianne Lang (Parliamentarian), Ethel Williams, Kay Mershon, Mary Shonkwiler. SECOND ROW: Pat Morrison, Nancy Lewis, Louise Rice, Carol Fannin, Judy Franck, Sondra Mc-

Carty, Ann Haney, Alice Allen, Mrs. Schindler (Sponsor). BOTTOM ROW: Helen Ratliff (V. Pres.), Judy Hoskins (Treas.), Norma Eskridge (Pres.), Nancy Bays (Sec.), Marilyn Delabar (Hist.), Bonnie Harris (Hist.), Marcella Pyles (Song Leader, Julia Riggs (Song Leader).

THE VISUAL ED SQUAD is composed of the following boys: Don McDowell, Neil Mings, and John Rase. Mr. Miller is sponsor of the group. The boys on the Visual Ed Squad are available at all times to project movies to designated classes. Throughout the year they have shown approximately 200 movies which were obtained largely from the State Department. The movies shown are informative and promote interest in classes.





### Mixed Chorus

TOP ROW: Albert Lang, George Bihl, James Pace, David Skaggs, Donald DeCamp, David Sprouse, Harold Norris, Larry Cunningham (Pres.). FOURTH ROW: Shirley Bond, Joyce Wampler, Judy Davis, Larna Mault, Karen Heasley, Patty Morrison, Janice Lawson, Julia Riggs (Vice Pres.), Marcella Pyle. THIRD ROW: Connie Cliffe (Treas.), Judy Nickell, Estel Williams, Dianne Lang, Charlotte

Rogers, Sue Rase, Alice Allen, Sondra McCarty. SECOND ROW: Bonnie Harris, Nancy Bays, Sylvia Johnson, Ethel Williams, Norma Eskridge, Mary Gliem, Vicki Staker (Sec.). BOTTOM ROW: Miss Collins (Director), Betty Bowling, Carolyn McHenry, Patty Eaton, Judy Hoskins, Barbara Percell, Betty Sizemore.

VOCAL MUSIC DIRECTOR AND MIXED CHORUS ACCOMPANIST: Miss Evelyn Collins and Carolyn McHenry.



Today's great shortage of music instructors made it impossible for Wheelersburg High to hold glee club and mixed chorus classes the first semester. A series of music appreciation studies was taught by Miss Sally Harrison and Miss Ruth Humphrey to tentative glee club members.

Hopes of having an active vocal music department were almost forsaken, but for the second semester music students were pleased to welcome Miss Evelyn Collins, a recent Marshall College music graduate, as their director.

The Mixed Chorus and Girls' Glee Club united in the presentation of an Easter Contata before the student body and faculty, and to the public. At the annual Scioto County Music Festival both vocal groups were represented, and Miss Collins directed the boys' chorus.

# '56 VOCAL MUSIC HAS LATE BEGINNING

## Glee Club Accompanists:

Donna Moyer and Pat Mitchell.



## Easter Cantata

Is presented by vocal group under the direction of Miss Evelyn Collins.



## Girl's Glee Club

TOP ROW: Gwen Williams, Sondra McCarty (Sec.), Marcella Pyles (Pres.), Julia Riggs, Janice Lawson, Barb Johnson, Pat Morrison, Karen Heasley, Pat Mitchell, Larna Mault, Judy Davis, Shirley Bond, Joyce Wampler. FOURTH ROW: Shirley Miller, Connie Cliffe, Carolyn Dutiell, Judy Nickell, Estel Williams, Mary Wessel, Gladys Skaggs, Dianna Lang, Charlotte Rogers, Sue Rase, Burnice Arthurs, Alice Allen. THIRD ROW: Bonnie Harris, Nancy Bays, Vicki Staker, Shirley Parsons, Mary Gleim, Karen Kiser,

Helen Ratliff, Shirley Horton, Janice Lemon, Norma Eskridge (Treas.), Helen Hammond. SECOND ROW: Betty Bowling, Sylvia Johnson, Mary Shonkwiler, Yvonne Robinson, Ethyl Williams, Betty Sizemore, Etta Litz, Barb Percell, Donna Moyer. BOTTOM ROW: Miss Collins (Director), Phyllis Sparks, Carolyn McHenry, Nancy Grant, Patty Eaton, Willa Belcher, Janie McCullum, Charlotte Sutton, Judy Hoskins.





THE CHESS CLUB is a new club at Wheelersburg High. It was organized this year with Mr. Colegrove as sponsor. The club was formed with the idea of learning to play chess, to teach others, and to promote interest in the game.

The members of the Chess Club are: George Cheek, James Pace, Jacob Gerlach, Alan Bowen, Jimmy Huffman, David Bays, Robert Litteral, David Litteral, Herschel Burke, Phil Colegrove, Neil Mingus, Larry Burgess, Danny Johnson, Richard Howland.

### Safety Patrol:

TOP ROW: Bob Huffman, Jake See, Bob McWhorter, Bob Turner, Gary Boggs. BOTTOM ROW: Ed Bays, Gary

Erwin, Bob Bays, Bob Mullins, Bob Lewis, Mr. Boyd (Sponsor).





### Scholarship Team

(Preliminary) -- TOP ROW: Vicki Staker, Jane Bays, Connie Cliffe, Shirley Miller, Linda Meyers, Peggy Jacobs, Linda Witten, Karen Heasley, Judy Osborne, Bill Gerlach. MIDDLE ROW: Barabara Percell, Patty Eaton, Carolyn McHenry, Betty Bowling, Sue Rase, Oleta Hines. BOTTOM ROW: David Gose, Layne Daniels, Richard Howland, Phil Colegrove, David Skaggs, Jacob Gerlach, James Pace, Mike Dodds. The District Scholarship Tests are held each spring with the top students of the surrounding area competing with each

other. Previous to the district tests, each school conducts preliminary tests to choose those who will go to the finals. Winners of the district tests are awarded deservedly. Winners of the tests are: Richard Howland, Biology 4th; David Gose, Biology 6th; Bub Litteral, Chemistry 4th; Phil Colegrove, Chemistry 7th; Layne Daniels, English Eleven, 4th; Bill Gerlach, Plane Geometry 10th; Oleta Hines, English Nine, 8th; Mike Dodds, General Science 8th.

### Senior Scholarship Team

TOP ROW: Vicki Staker, Jane Bays, Bub Litteral, Marilyn Delabar, Helen Hammond. BOTTOM ROW: James Pace, Jacob Gerlach, David Skaggs. NOT PICTURED: Virginia Harner, Alan Bowen. The Senior Scholarship Test was given at Green High on January 20. The test

covered all subjects studied in the four years of high school and was taken by representatives from all Scioto County schools. High scorer on the test was Bub Litteral, who honored our school by placing second in the county.





### Wheelersburg High School Band

TOP ROW: Ruth Delabar, Tom Burgess, Jim Cooper, Doris Young, Mike Nelson, Larry Burgess, Mike Mucha. SECOND ROW: Morris Young, Jim Huffman, Norma Grutze, Sharon Gleim, Nancy Conley, Carol Wright, Pearl Gerlach, Roger Boynton, Becky DeCamp, Larry Ervin, Clarence Payne, Lana Billups, Jim Wente, Richard Howland, Jacob Gerlach, Alan Bowen. THIRD ROW: Charlotte Sutton, Sara McCann, Joyce Gleim, Karen Chamberlain, Neil

Mingus, Phil Colegrove, George Cheek, David Bays, Peggy Jacobs, Sharon Bowen, Carolyn McHenry, Linda Holman. FOURTH ROW: Donna Pollard, Joy Raike, Rethal Ball, Helen Burgess, Myrtle Evans, Emma Call, Margaret Bailey, Freda McGahan, Rokie Hatten, Christine Bihl. FIFTH ROW: Oleta Hines, Linda Witten, Ada Brown, Mary Gleim, Patty Dalton, Carol Smith. BOTTOM ROW: Carla Dunham, Shirley Miller.



Patty Dalton



Charlotte Sutton



CAROL SMITH  
Head Majorette



Carolyn  
Warner



Lana  
Billups



George Taylor has completed his third year as band director at Wheelersburg.

## Wheelersburg High Marching Band,

directed by George Taylor.

Working toward the set goal of purchasing new band uniforms, the Band Boosters' Club sponsored many sales and activities. Not limiting these activities to school year affairs, the club held skating parties in the high school gym and sold candy during the summer. The first months of school featured Tag Dags in both Wheelersburg and Portsmouth. Sales ranged from medallions engraved with the Lord's Prayer, baked goods and chances on a radio.

Officers of the '56 Band Boosters' Club were Mrs. Ralph Gleim, president; Mrs. Wells McCann, vice president; Mrs. B.U. Howland, treasurer; and Mrs. William Warner, secretary.

# NEW UNIFORMS IS GOAL OF BOOSTERS

Showing its growing improvement, the Wheelersburg High Marching Band gave top performance at football and basketball games. Marching maneuvers, majorette routines and novelty pieces were featured.

Christmas and Spring concerts were presented to Wheelersburg students and public. Band members and Director George Taylor participated in the Scioto County Music Festival in co-operation with other high school bands and directors.

A special pep band provided music for ball games and various affairs throughout the year.

## Band Booster Club Members:

Mrs. Clarence Ball, Mrs. Ralph Gleim (Pres.), Mrs. Wells McCann (V. Pres.).







### Yearbook Staff:

Vicki Staker (Editor), Mary Ann Morrison, Carolyn Staker, Phil Colegrove (Photographer), Shirley Miller, David Skaggs, Janice Lemon, Shirley Horton, Barbara Percell (Assistant Editor). NOT PICTURED: Neil Mingus, Janet Williams.

# '56 WHEEL STAFF STRIVES FOR IMPROVED YEARBOOK

Lois Thompson, yearbook advisor, discusses the '56 WHEEL with staff members. Miss Thompson has been advisor of the WHEEL for five years.



Under the guidance of yearbook advisor Miss Lois Thompson and the leadership of the WHEEL editor, Vicki Staker, the WHEEL has grown from an 80 page book to a 112 page annual, which is hoped will present a clearer view of school life, in both pictures and written material.

The additions to the yearbook, plus the cost of the staff's new Rolleiflex camera, brought need of more money and more work. Conscientious WHEEL staff members began campaigning for ads as early as August of '55, and sponsored a yearbook queen contest for the first time at Wheelersburg High. A sale of pictures from last year's annual, and the usual yearbook sales brought funds to the staff. Staff members were busy all school year preparing the annual for printing. Hours were spent organizing and obtaining needed material and pictures, drawing layouts, and writing and editing copy.

Cooperative aid from many persons concerned made the production of the '56 WHEEL easier and more enjoyable for the staff.

WHEEL staff members who have attended the yearbook workshop at Athens are Shirley Miller and Vicki Staker. The workshop, which is held annually on the campus of Ohio University, offers a one week program that is both informative and fun.



Yearbook Queen, MISS HELEN HAMMOND



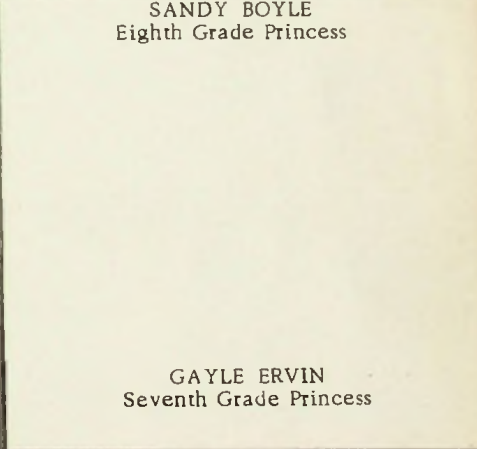
CAROL SMITH  
Junior Attendant



SANDY BOYLE  
Eighth Grade Princess



PATTY DALTON  
Sophomore Attendant



GAYLE ERVIN  
Seventh Grade Princess



KAREN CHAMBERLAIN  
Freshman Attendant



# YEARBOOK QUEEN CHOSEN



## The Trophy

is presented to Yearbook Queen Helen Hammond by John Lupe.

The Yearbook Queen Contest, sponsored by the '56 WHEEL Staff, was held for the first time at Wheelersburg High.

Two candidates for Queen were chosen from each high school grade, and a Princess candidate was selected from each seventh and eighth grade homeroom. These girls were selected by their classmates on the basis of personality, beauty, scholastic ability, and participation in extra curricular activities.

Each chosen candidate selected a boy to serve as manager and tentative escort. Votes of a penny each were cast for the candidates, and after the preliminary two week campaign, contestants were limited to four for Queen and for Princess. The final one week campaign determined the grand winners. Senior Helen Hammond gained the new title of "Miss '56 Yearbook Queen" with the aid of her manager, John Lupe. The winners of the Princess contest were Eighth Grader Sandra Boyle and Seventh Grader Gayle Ervin.

During an intermission of the Senior Class Play, the presentation of the Queen was held. The Yearbook Queen was awarded a trophy and smaller trophies were presented to each Princess.



## Junior Attendant

Carol Smith and Escort, Don DeCamp.



## The Queen and her Court

hold front row seats at the Senior Class Play.

## Sophomore Attendant

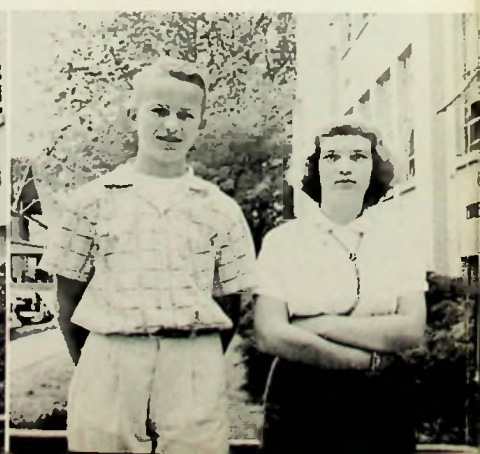
Patty Dalton and Escort, Richard Howland.

## Eighth Grade Princess

Sandra Boyle and Escort, Garry Johnson.

## Seventh Grade Princess

Gayle Ervin and Escort, Joe Osborne.



# ATHLETICS



.....A guide toward better sportsmanship, team spirit. . .



### Wheelersburg High School Football Team

TOP ROW: Mr. Hopkins (Coach), Jhan Aeh (Center), Gary Norris (Tackle), Jim Leach (End), Bill Miller (Tackle), Mike Newsome (Center), Doug Burgess (End), Robert Litteral (End), Dave Sprouse (Guard), Bill Gerlach (End), Don DeCamp (Full Back), Mr. Groh (Asst. Coach), MIDDLE ROW: David Fraley (Manager), Max Townsend (End), Zane Fraley (Half Back), Larry Beasley (Tackle), Jim Binion (Guard), Don McDowell (Tackle), Jim Hogan (Half Back), Bruce Logan (Tackle), Raleigh Haney (Guard),

Johnny Wilson (Line Backer), Bill Beasley (Guard), Dan DeCamp (Quarter Back), Dee Spradlin (Manager). BOT-TOM ROW: David Boyer (Manager), Ron Morgan (Quarter Back), Jerry Collingsworth (Tackle), Don Warner (Center), Bob Jones (Guard), Harold Danes (Guard), George Taylor (Half Back), Bob Linkous (Guard), Nelson Riggs (Quarter Back), Harold Norris (Quarter Back), Lloyd Spradlin (Half Back), Jack Triplett (Guard), Bob Skiver (Manager). NOT PICTURED: George Owens (Center).

Wheelersburg plays





The 1955-56 football team, under the guidance of Coach Hopkins and Assistant Coach Groh, produced the best record since football has been reorganized at Wheelersburg High. The Pirates won 5, lost 3, and tied 2, against some of the toughest teams in the area. The boys, high spirited and playing well as a team, placed second in the Ohio Valley High School Conference.

On the starting line-up for the Pirates are Owens, Triplett, Miller, Burgess, Sprouse, Collingsworth, Litteral, Morgan, DeCamp, Fraley, and Hogan on the offense. On the defense McDowell moved in for Miller, Norris took over for Hogan, and Hogan switched to safety. Spradlin played both offensive and defensive half back, and Townsend was an offensive end player.

Six men represented Wheelersburg on All-Star Conference teams: Collingsworth, Morgan, Litteral, Sprouse, Burgess, and DeCamp.

The Football Booster's Club honored the team with a banquet which was held in the high school cafeteria. Guest speaker for the evening was Reverend Richard Teller, minister at the Wheelersburg Methodist Church.

## PIRATES SET NEW RECORD

to outscore Rock Hill by fourteen points.



	THEY	WE
Notre Dame	6 -	18**
New Boston	7 -	0
Ports. East	6 -	6*
Cheasapeake	0 -	13**
Rock Hill	13 -	27**
South Point	20 -	21**
Ports. West	18 -	6
Ironton St. Joe	32 -	75**
Waverly	25 -	17
Coal Grove	13 -	13*
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>140 -</b>	<b>196</b>

\*\*Pirate's wins.

\*Ties.

# '56 "SENIOR"-ITY SQUAD



BILL MILLER  
6'--185--Tackle

The '56 Pirate football team has eleven Senior squadmen this year. These players hold seniority over their team mates as most of them are now completing their fourth year on Wheelersburg's team.

Three of Wheelersburg High's placements on conference teams were Seniors. Dave Sprouse was the Pirates' single representative on the Southern Ohio Conference all-star team. Joining three other team mates on the Ohio Valley Conference team were Seniors Litteral and Collingsworth.

Bill Miller, Pirate tackle, sets a perfect picture of the misfortunes that sometimes confront football players. Miller was injured during practice. A broken ankle hindered Bill from participating in the remaining segment of the season, but it could not stop his faithful attendance at the Pirates' games as an interested spectator.

Switching End Jim Hogan to halfback was a wise change. At his debut as halfback, Hogan raced down the field for a sixty yard touchdown. Hogan finished the season with a thirty-two point record, coming from five touchdowns and two extra points.

Jack Triplett was the surprise choice for the Pirates' Most Valuable Player award. Previously underrated, Triplett was voted to this honor by his team mates. The Newberry Award was presented to Jack at the annual Football Banquet.

Senior squadman not pictured is George Owens who competently played as center for the Pirate team.

All Senior players were given gold football awards at the annual grid banquet.



BUTCH NORRIS  
5'8" --150--Quarterback



JERRY COLLINGSWORTH  
5'9" --170--Quarterback



DAVE SPROUSE  
5'11" --172--Guard





LLOYD SPRADLIN  
5'9" --154--Halfback



BUB LITTERAL  
6' --175--End



MAX TOWNSEND  
5'11" --168--End



DON WARNER  
5'9" --170--Center



JIM HOGAN  
5'9" --155--Halfback



JACK TRIPLETT  
5'9" --148--Guard



Football Booster's Minstrel meets success.

## FUN—FUNDS—WORK—

Fun and funds go hand in hand as the Football Booster's Club sponsors many activities. These occasions bring gay times for everyone, and money for the building of the new football field. Throughout the year the Booster's Club has held many such money-raising affairs.

Students of all ages attended the five skating parties which were held at the Portsmouth Roller Arena. Transportation by school bus was provided, which aided in drawing the parties' large crowds.

Early spring found the Booster Bullets opposing the Senior All-Stars, in a basketball game which was held in the high school gym. First upon the floor were the Senior All-Stars, who were dressed in hilarious outfits. Though the contest between the Bullets and the All-Stars did not exactly follow the golden rules of basketball, the game succeeded in bringing laughs and cheers. The Bullets, with the able aid of their star player, Gene Bennett, were triumphant in taking a winning lead over the All-Stars.

An event which took planning, time, and practice was the minstrel sponsored by the Boosters. The minstrel presented talent from all the surrounding area, and was met with great success. Featured were dance acts, singing by both groups and soloists, acrobatics, and the routine without which no minstrel is complete, and, the "darkies" with their jokes and antics.

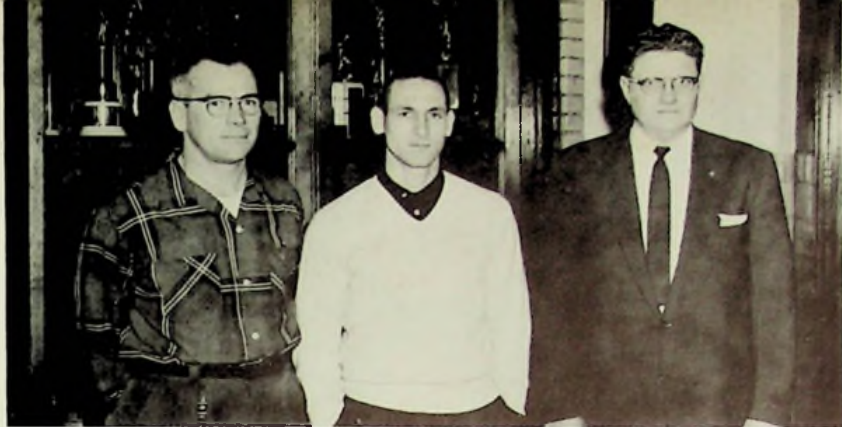
Among the remaining activities of the Booster's Club was the presentation of the hillbilly singers Flat and Scruggs. The entertainers made their appearance to the public in mid-winter in the school gymnasium.



Skating parties are fun for all.

The Booster Bullets oppose the Senior All-Stars.





**Football Booster's Club Officers** Everett Norris (Sec.), Gene Bennett (Pres.), Don Jackson (Treas.).

# DETERMINATION=NEW FOOTBALL FIELD

Work, determination, and donations are important factors which led toward the erection of Wheelersburg's new football field, located behind the elementary building on the hill.

Since football was reorganized at Wheelersburg six years ago, the team has been using the stadium at New Boston for its "home" games. This has been both inconvenient and expensive, therefore, a football field at Wheelersburg was badly needed.

Erecting a football field is a tremendous and expensive undertaking. With dauntless courage the Boosters agreed to tackle this huge task which, if done by a construction company, would have cost approximately twenty-four thousand dollars.

Money was acquired during several fund-raising activities throughout the school year. There was great cooperation from all; the Board of Education, the Administration, various companies, students, and interested persons of the community gave willing aid to help the Boosters. Both labor and equipment were volunteered for the actual construction of the field. In one weekend alone approximately ninety people spent thirty hours working on the field. After several other working sprees such as this, a practically impossible task was rapidly nearing completion.

The football field is now completely finished except for the erection of bleachers. Volunteers will complete this job during the summer.

In the fall Wheelersburg High's '56-'57 football team will have the honor of being the first to play on the sparkling new football field, and Pirate fans will have genuine home games to attend.



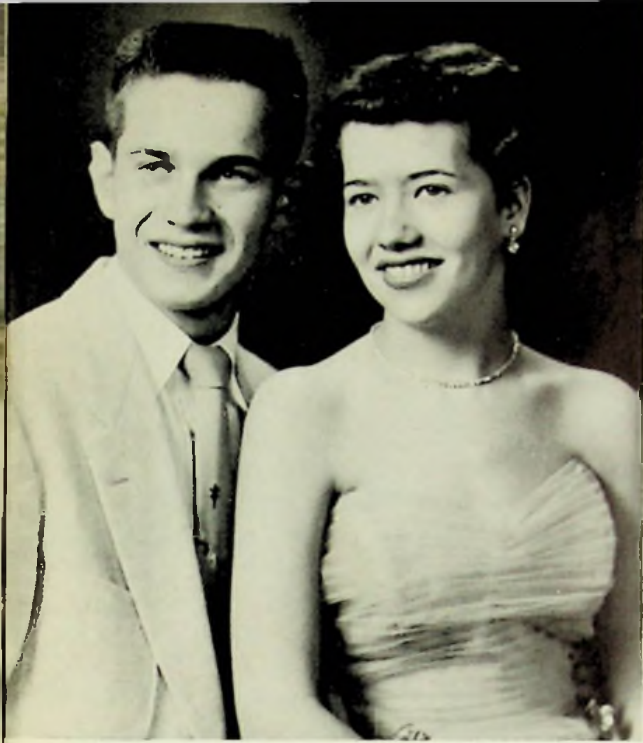
The field's fence is erected.

**Volunteers tackle** tasks willingly to complete new football field.





Football Homecoming Queen, MISS JUDY HOSKINS



Marcella Pyle, Senior Attendant  
Loren Gleim, Escort



Gwen Williams, Junior Attendant  
Mike Collins, Escort

Ethyl Williams, Sophomore Attendant  
John Eskridge, Escort



Carol Randall, Freshman Attendant  
Stan Hoskins, Escort





The Queen makes her first appearance as she rides by the crowds.

Queen Judy is escorted across the field by John Lupe. A Kiss for the Queen from Football Center George Owens.



# HOMECOMING FESTIVITIES CROWNING IS HIGHLIGHT OF

It's football homecoming! The stands are crowded; the evening presents a double showing -- a football game and a homecoming.

At half-time excitement rises as the ceremony begins. As they pass by in shiny new convertibles, the queen and her attendants wave to the crowd. The procession partially encircles the field, then it ends at the opposite side.

A martial strain rises as the band gives the signal for John Lupe to escort Queen Judy Hoskins, a pixy, dark-haired Senior, across the field. The attendants and escorts follow, and the group forms a semicircle near the stands. The court lends a regal appearance to the autumn evening. Queen Judy wears a billowy white net gown while her attendants are attired in lovely pale rainbow colors. Senior Marcella Pyle wears lilac net; Gwen Williams' brown hair blends well with the lime green of her dress; Sophomore Ethyl Williams wears pale blue; and pert Frehsman, Carol Randall, appears in rosy coral.

Looking neat in their best suits are Senior escort Loren Gleim; Junior, Mike Collins; Sophomore, John Eskridge; and Freshman, Stan Hoskins.

The cheerleaders give the huge chrysanthemum bouquets to the young men who present the flowers to the girls. John kisses Queen Judy after presenting the flowers, and she receives her crown along with another kiss from Football Center, George Owens. She and her court are led to the stands where they view the rest of the game.

A homecoming Dance in the school cafeteria completed the festivities.

The Queen and her court go to the stands to enjoy the game.





### Junior High Football Team

TOP ROW: Bob Mullins, Irvin Stockman, Paul Adams, Freelan Hall, Harold Tripplett, Richard Owens, Tom Dalton, Mark Sommer, Bob Owens, Dale Spradlin, Charles Tolbert. BOTTOM ROW: Mickey Humble, Bob

McWharter, Gary Claxon, Bob Turner, Bill Tilley, Mike Mucha, Bob Bays, Mike Roe. Not Pictured: Joe Bihl, Bill Bihl, Tom Leake, David Boyer.

# JUNIOR PIRATES GET LATE START

### Junior High Cheerleaders

Charlene Curtis, Sandy Boyle, Karen Norris, Nancy Kelly, Sharon Chamberlin.



In the fall, as football teams everywhere were getting into full swing, the '56 Junior High Football Team at Wheelersburg was totally inactive. The boys were willing, but--no coach! Then came a volunteer.

Gene Bennett, former W.H.S. athletic star, assumed the duties of coach of the Junior Pirates. Co-captains David "Pudge" Boyer and Bill Bihl were chosen, and the starting line-up was selected: Claxon, Richard Owens, Leake, Boyer, McWharter, Johnson, Joe Bihl, Bill Bihl, Turner, Bays, and Boggs. After a little practice the team was ready for action, and three games were scheduled.

With only two weeks practice behind them, the Junior Pirates held their first contest with New Boston. Spirits were high when on the first play, Claxon sped down the middle of the field for a touch-down. The extra point was made, completing Wheelersburg's lone seven points of the game.

West out-played Wheelersburg 21-7, with Claxon again making the single touch-down.

The North Moreland--Wheelersburg game presented a pleasant switch for Wheelersburg, with the young Pirates winning by 20 points. It was rough-and-tumble game; three of the opponent's men were injured and taken from the game, and Wheelersburg had one man hurt. Claxon made a fine showing with two touch-downs and Johnson came in for the other scoring run.

The Junior High Team ended their short season with this record: two losses, to West (21-7) and New Boston (21-7), and a glorious win over North Moreland (26-6).



# WINS AND LOSSES ARE EQUAL

The Junior High Team had an even number of wins and losses. Out of eight games the team won four.

Players who deserve credit for most of the play are the first five: Joe Bihl, Leake, Claxon, Bill Bihl, and McWharter.

The best game of the season was with Lucasville, which was a close win. Wheelersburg lagged behind for three quarters, then in the last quarter the Pirates pulled ahead to win by seven points.

The season's scores are:

Wheelersburg	27	--	South Webster	15
"	32	--	Green	22
"	32	--	Valley	22
"	34	--	Clay	34
"	34	--	South Webster	38
"	15	--	Green	30
"	39	--	Valley	32
"	29	--	Clay	32



## Coach Miller,

A graduate of Wheelersburg High, has finished his second year as Junior High Coach. He has been an inspiration to the team as he stressed good sportsmanship.

## Junior High Basketball Team—

TOP ROW: Jim Huffman (Guard), Joe Osborne (Forward), Gary Billups (Forward), Gary Johnson (Forward), Roy Maple (Guard), Bob Mullins (Guard). MIDDLE ROW: Mr. Miller (Coach), Roger Williams (Forward), Dale

Spradlin (Guard), Bill Bihl (Guard), Mike Nelson (Forward), David Boyer (Forward). BOTTOM ROW: Mike Mucha (Forward), Tom Leake (Forward), Joe Bihl (Center), Tom Perdue (Center).





All Eyes are on the ball as players and crowd wait expectedly.



**Coach Estopp** has been basketball coach at Wheelersburg since 1947 except for a short period when he served in the Navy, and has guided the team through many successful seasons.

## SEASON IS AVERAGE

The loss of two star players, Edmonds and Stevenson, who moved to different schools, was a great handicap to the '56 Wheelersburg High Basketball Team. This year the team had an average season.

The '56 season's scores are:

Wheelersburg	47	--	New Boston	76
Wheelersburg	67	--	Minford	56
Wheelersburg	42	--	Green	49
Wheelersburg	54	--	Valley	55
Wheelersburg	57	--	S. Webster	84
Wheelersburg	60	--	Notre Dame	64
Wheelersburg	58	--	Clay	69
Wheelersburg	47	--	New Boston	75
Wheelersburg	81	--	Waverly	65
Wheelersburg	59	--	Ports. West	58
Wheelersburg	43	--	Ports. East	75
Wheelersburg	73	--	S. Webster	49
Wheelersburg	78	--	Green	58
Wheelersburg	55	--	Minford	51
Wheelersburg	54	--	Notre Dame	53
Wheelersburg	64	--	Ports. East	53
Wheelersburg	58	--	Valley	83
Wheelersburg	65	--	Ports. West	58

Wheelersburg moved into the Scioto County Tournament with Waverly as its first opponent. Pirate fans who saw the game in Grant Gym found an exciting contest. The points were close throughout, but the final score was heartbreaking to Pirate fans. In the final minutes of the game Waverly took a two point lead. The gun sounded; Wheelersburg was out-scored and out of the tournament.





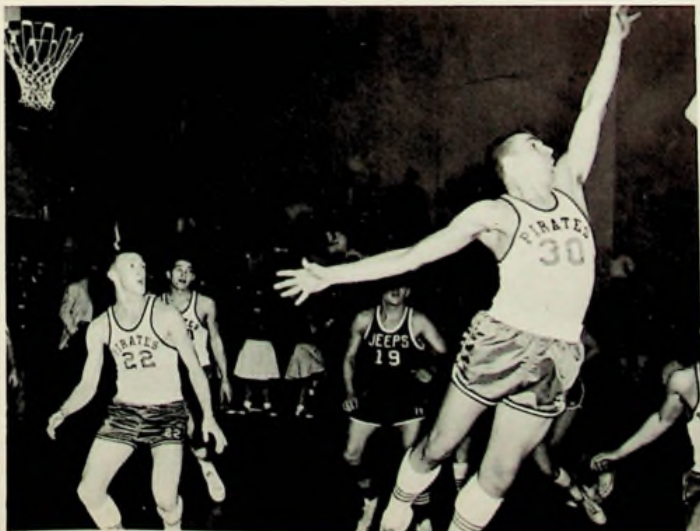
### Wheelersburg High Varsity Basketball Team

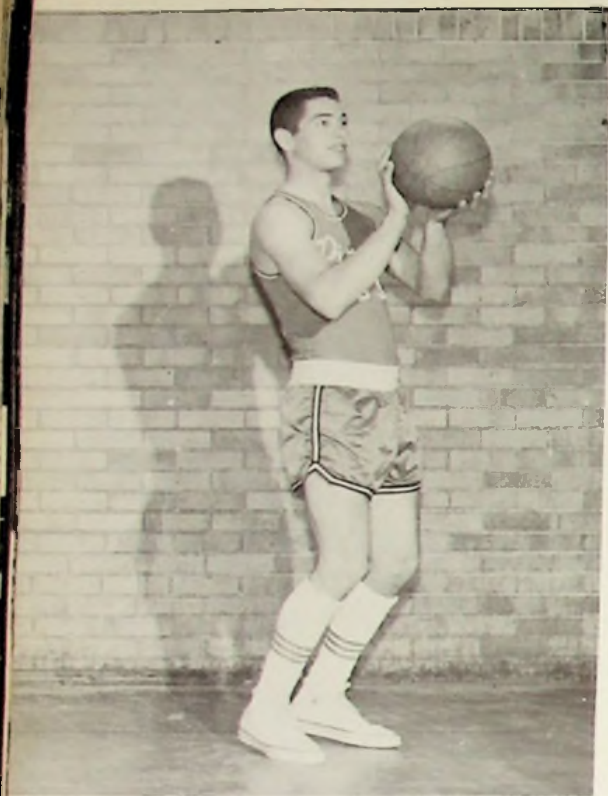
TOP ROW: Bob Skiver, Manager; Frank Miller, Guard; Wayne Bussler, Center; Mike Newsome, Forward; Mr. Estepp, Coach; Doug Burgess, Center; Jim Lemaster, Center; Bub Litteral, Forward; Doug Smith, Manager.

BOTTOM ROW: Butch Norris, Guard; Bill Miller, Forward; Gary Norris, Forward; Jerry Jones, Forward; Ron Morgan, Guard; Hershhal Burke, Guard.

**Litteral leaps high** as the Pirates oppose the South Webster Jeeps.

**Lemaster aims** for a foul shot in the Wheelersburg--West game.





JIM LEMASTER  
Junior--6'2"--Center



RON MORGAN  
Junior--5'10"--Guard



FRANK MILLER  
Junior--5'10"--Guard



BUB LITTERAL  
Senior--6'--Forward

# THE BASIC SEVEN

Coach Claude Esteppe boasts seven main players on his 1956 Pirate's basketball squad.

Bill Miller and Bub Litteral, varsity players of three years, made great efforts for their team, but both were somewhat handicapped. Still limping from his injury during football season, Miller was unable to make his entrance on the floor until the Pirate's tenth game. Litteral turned his ankle during the contest with Webster and finished the season on the bench. At the end of the season both boys were deservedly awarded silver basketballs.

Making his debut on the varsity, Frank Miller did a fine job during his brother Bill's absence, but didn't see too much action later in the season. Next year Frank will look forward to a full season's play.

Sophomore Doug Burgess has now completed his second year on the varsity squad. Burgess began the season at a rapid speed, and though he later slackened his pace, holds a 14-point per game record. This lanky squadman was an unanimous choice for the All-County "A" League's first team, and he is considered the outstanding prospect for next year's Pirate five.

Butch Norris did an expert job as guard in his second year on varsity. Proof of his ability was his being selected as co-captain for the '56 season. Norris shared this position with Lemaster.

Morgan and Lemaster both placed on the All-County "A" League's second team, and have made a fine showing during their first year on the varsity team. Morgan averaged 11 points per game and Lemaster hit a 13-point pace.

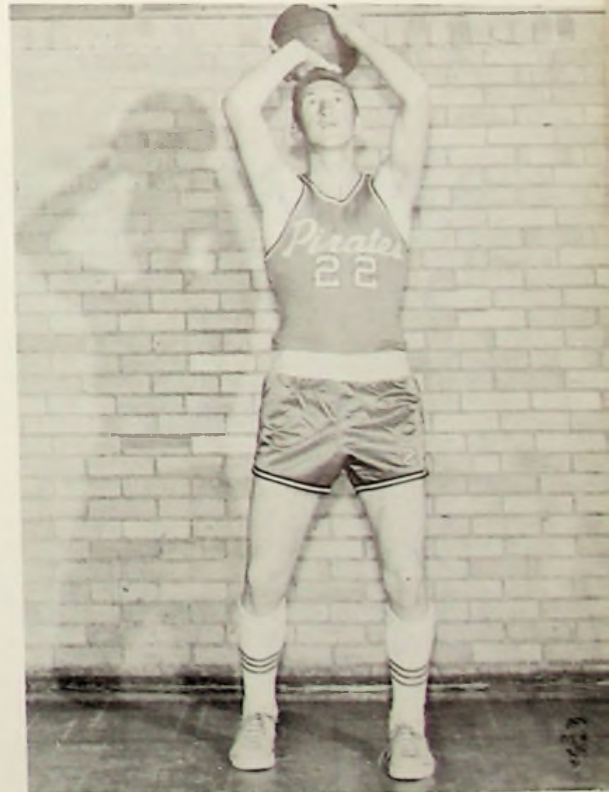
At the close of the season gold basketballs were awarded Burgess, Lemaster and Norris, and 8 inch letters went to Frank Miller and Morgan.



**BILL MILLER**  
Senior--6'--Forward



**BUTCH NORRIS**  
Senior--5'7"--Guard



**DOUG BURGESS**  
Sophomore--6'4"--Center



### Reserve Basketball Team

TOP ROW: Bruce Logan, Forward; Larry Ervin, Guard; Roger Cooper, Center; Roger Call, Forward; Bill Raike, Center; Jim Leach, Center; Johnny Wilson, Guard; Mr. Groh, Coach. BOTTOM ROW:

Stan Hoskins, Guard; George Cheek, Guard; Paul Maple, Forward; Bob Huffman, Forward; David Fraley, Guard; Phil Adams, Manager.

# SLOW SEASON FOR RESERVES

**Coach Groh**, former Wheelersburg High basketball player, has been Reserve Basketball Coach for the past five years. He has been very efficient, worked hard, and has promoted a spirit of cooperation among the boys.



The starting five for the '56 Wheelersburg High Reserve Basketball Team are: Leach, DeCamp, Wilson, Maple, and Fraley. Dan DeCamp was an outstanding tall Sophomore who was high scorer for the reserves.

The team met with their most interesting games at Clay, and on the home floor against South Webster. The squad ended the season with a record of three wins.

The scores of the reserve games are:

Wheelersburg	29 --	New Boston	48
Wheelersburg	28 --	Minford	43
Wheelersburg	15 --	Green	39
Wheelersburg	25 --	Valley	41
Wheelersburg	23 --	South Webster	38
Wheelersburg	35 --	Notre Dame	30
Wheelersburg	36 --	Clay	38
Wheelersburg	31 --	New Boston	44
Wheelersburg	33 --	Waverly	41
Wheelersburg	30 --	Ports. West	53
Wheelersburg	31 --	Ports. East	44
Wheelersburg	29 --	South Webster	48
Wheelersburg	48 --	Green	43
Wheelersburg	42 --	Minford	23
Wheelersburg	31 --	Notre Dame	34
Wheelersburg	54 --	Ports. East	67
Wheelersburg	28 --	Valley	56
Wheelersburg	21 --	Ports. West	33



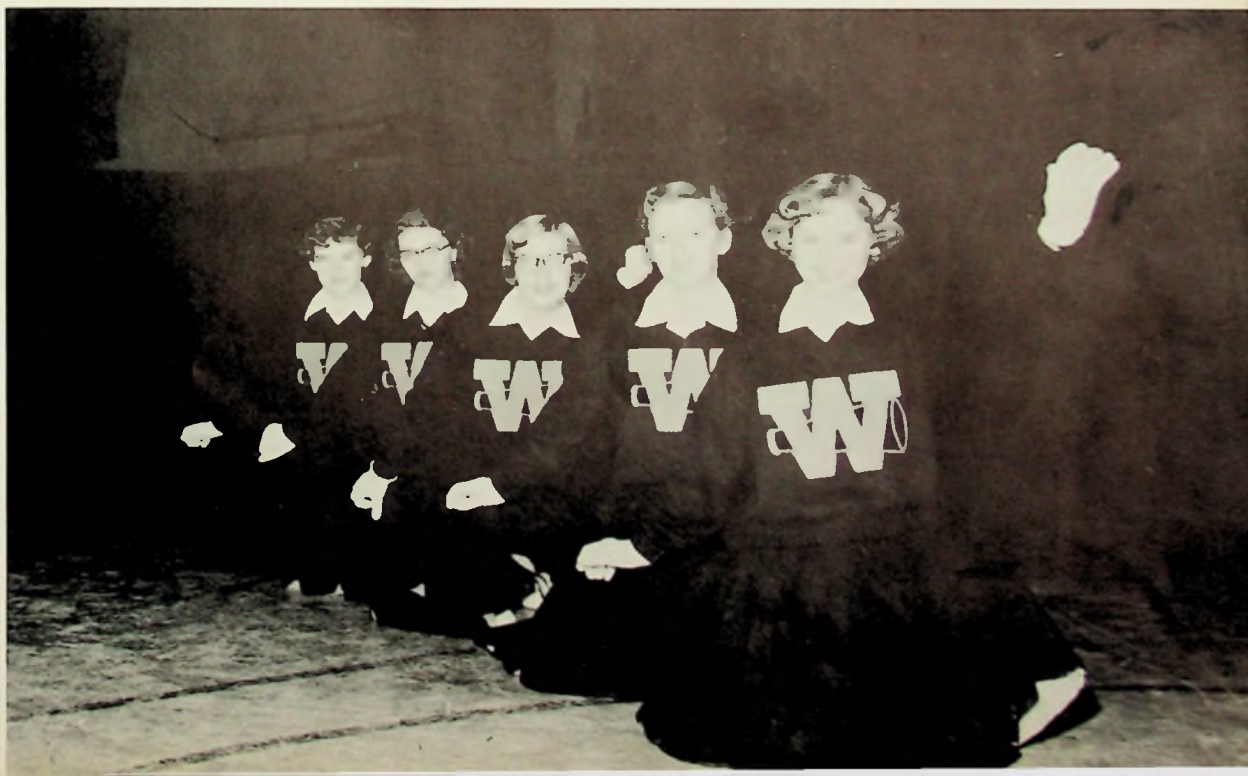
The crowds cheer for their team.

## GO! PIRATES! GO!

Every sports event brings spectators--the student showing his school spirit--the young girl cheering that special player--a proud parent with gleaming eye--a sports lover grasping every detail of the game. All attend the game.

Showing their loyalty to their team, the spectators cheer spiritedly. Always before the crowds are the cheerleaders, leading the cheers, arousing the good spirit of the crowd and the team, and urging them onward, even when the home team's score sinks depressingly low.

**Wheelersburg High Cheerleaders:** Marilyn Delabar, Senior; Shirley Bond, Sophomore; Carolyne Staker, Junior; Bonnie Harris, Senior; Donna Moyer, Junior.





Basketball Homecoming Queen, Miss Norma Eskridge





Sue Williams, Senior Attendant  
Kenneth Alexander, Escort



Carolyn Dutiel, Junior Attendant  
Ron Morgan, Escort

Kay Mershon, Sophomore Attendant  
Ray Hacker, Escort

Donna Allard, Freshman Attendant  
Jhan Aeh, Escort





The great moment is here as the Queen makes her grand entrance.



The traditional kiss and crowing are given Basketball Homecoming Queen, Norma Eskridge, by her escorts. Queen Norma is honored with songs, "The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" and "To You Beautiful Lady."



The attentive expressions of the Queen portray the action on the court.



## HOMECOMING CEREMONY PRESENTED DURING HALF-TIME

The boisterous audience of only moments ago is now quiet; the reserve basketball game is over and the homecoming ceremony is beginning.

In the darkened gym, revolving colored lights illuminate the Queen as she is escorted to her throne. Escorting Queen Norma Eskridge are star players, Bill Miller and Robert Litteral. The attendants sedately march before the queen. Senior attendant is Sue Williams in rose taffeta, with escort Kenn Alexander; Junior attendant, Carolyn Dutiel is in pink net, with Ron Morgan; Sophomore attendant Kay Mershon is in lime green net, with escort Raymony Hacker; Freshman attendant Donna Allard is in pale blue net, with her escort Jhan Aeh. Serving as crown bearers were little Randy Wilson and Jack Bryant's little daughter.

As the court stands in a semicircle at the front of the gym, cheerleaders bring the flowers to the escorts, who in turn present them to the attendants. Bill Miller presents Norma with her flowers and then with a kiss. Robert Litteral places the crown upon her head and crowns Norma Eskridge, "56 Basketball Homecoming Queen". Bob then turns to kiss the Queen.

After the crowning the Queen and her court listen to music presented in their honor. The Queen and her attendants held front row seats for the thrilling varsity game to follow.

After the homecoming game, a dance was held in the gymnasium.

Queen Norma and Attendants enjoy front row seats for the game.





WHEELERSBURG HIGH BASEBALL TEAM--TOP ROW: Andy Hopkins (Coach), Bub Litteral (Scorekeeper), George Cheek (Third Base), Tom Purdue (Pitcher), Bruce Logan (Right Field), Wilford Goble (Pitcher), Don McDowell (Left Field), Ed Bays (Third Base), Bob Huffman (Pitcher), David Boyer (Manager), Neil Mingus

(Manager). BOTTOM ROW: Loren Gleim (Second Base), Don DeCamp (Center Field), Ken Alexander (Short Stop), Dan DeCamp (Pitcher), Doug Burgess (First Base), Gary Norris (Pitcher), Jack Willis (Right Field), Bill Beasley (Catcher), Jack Brisker (Pitcher).



## WHEELERSBURG

COACH HOPKINS has throughout his four years as baseball coach at Wheelersburg led the team toward a fine record. The team has won the Southern Ohio Conference two years, was winner in the County twice, and won the Ohio Valley Conference once. The Pirates have been runner-up twice. They were second in the Ohio Valley Conference and runner-up to Portsmouth in the District.



## SECOND INCONFERENCE

The '56 Wheelersburg Baseball Team ended the season with a record of nine wins and four losses. The team placed second in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Main players for the team were: Norris, Alexander, Burgess, Gleim, Don DeCamp, Dan DeCamp, Beasley, Brisker and Willis. These boys composed a well balanced group.

The boys made up a better than average hitting team. In one game alone Wheelersburgh had three long home runs by three different players. The pitching depth was not what was hoped for, but the boys who pitched did a very good job. One no hitter was pitched by Gary Norris against Rock Hill.

Scores of the baseball season are:

Wheelersburg	4	West	3	Wheelersburg	4	Lucasville	0
Wheelersburg	8	Notre Dame	2	Wheelersburg	7	Lucasville	2
Wheelersburg	2	New Boston	3	Wheelersburg	2	Oak Hill	3
Wheelersburg	7	Green	5	Wheelersburg	0	East	12
Wheelersburg	5	Lucasville	7	Wheelersburg	0	Minford	12
Wheelersburg	10	Rock Hill	6	Wheelersburg	8	Minford	4
Wheelersburg	6	East	4				



### Seventh Grade Girls' Basketball Team

TOP ROW: Rita Dean, Guard; Gayle Ervin, Forward; Mrs. Burkhart, Coach; Loama Perkins, Referee; Lavon Clark, Guard; Mary Bihl, Substitute. BOTTOM ROW:

Janice Eagleson, Substitute; Geneva Yeley, Guard; Sandra Williams, Forward; Sharon Brown, Forward.

## HEP CATS AND TIGRESS TEAM ARE CHAMPS

A series of intramural girl's basketball games were played among all grades at the high school building. Final winners of the contests among high school teams were the "Hep Cats", Freshman girl's team. The seventh grade "Tigress Team" was successful in outplaying the eighth grade squad. Mrs. Burkhart, physical education teacher acted as both coach and referee for the teams.

### Freshman Girls' Basketball Team

TOP ROW: Sue Rase, Guard; Mary Wessel, Guard; Lou Evans, Forward; Lana Billups, Guard; Janice Lawson, Guard; Becky DeCamp, Forward; Mrs. Burkhart, Coach.

BOTTOM ROW: Mary Miller, Forward; Loama Perkins, Forward; Karen Heasley, Guard; Darlene Fraley, Forward; Butch Norris, Referee.



# SENIOR ACTIVITIES



.....A phase of our life is over. . . .One port has been reached, but many journeys still lie before us. . . .



### Senior Play Cast—

TOP ROW: Alan Bowen (Dr. Fersig), Don Warner (Bill Clayton), Jerry Jones (Skeleton), Helen Welch (Anne Rowell), Sharon McGinn (Mrs. Madge Embrey), Jane Bays (Elaine Blair), Judy Frank (Mrs.

Donahue). BOTTOM ROW: Larry Cunningham (Bobby Embrey), Judy Hoskins (Kinks Embrey), Loren Gleim (Mrs. Hubbard), Julia Riggs (Ollie Hubbard).

## SENIORS PRESENT "THE SKELETON WALKS"

"The Skeleton Walks", the Senior Class play, under the direction of class sponsor, Charles Boyd, was presented to the public on the evening of April 6. Two previous afternoon presentations were to the high school and the grade school.

The plot of the play is laid in a lonely old house situated on a small island connected to the mainland by only one bridge. To this deserted place came Elaine Blair, her lawyer-fiance, and her mother to look over the property which Elaine has inherited at her uncle's death. To their surprise they find the house in the possession of a mysterious physician, Dr. Fersig by name, his sinister housekeeper, and her deaf-mute son.

The old house is worthless, but both Elaine and Dr. Fersig know that a large sum of money is secreted somewhere on the premises. Thinking the visitors have left the island, and wanting to search for the money unmolested, Dr. Fersig directs the deaf-mute to blow up the bridge. But to his chagrin they return, having stopped at an old well on the island to eat a picnic supper. Because the bridge is destroyed, they decide to spend the night in the old house.

And now things begin to happen. Strange, ethereal noises are heard. A skeleton walks through the dim shadows of the house. Elaine suddenly disappears. Bill, her fiance, makes a strange discovery. At the end comes the big surprise -- the housekeeper was really Jack Dow, a famous detective, and his wife had been disguised as the deaf mute.

Yes, there was comedy too, and audience went away thrilled and chuckling.

"The Skeleton Walks" holds the interest of the audience with both mystery and comedy.







At the Wheelersburg depot students board the Powhatan Arrow for Washington D. C.

# SENIORS MAKE TOUR OF NATION'S CAPITOL

Friday evening, April 13, the Wheelersburg High Seniors and underclassmen began a trip which will be remembered as a highlight of their school activities.

As the Powhatan Arrow raced through the night toward Washington D. C., its excited occupants were having a gay, carefree time. The sleepy-eyed travelers arrived Saturday morning in the Nation's Capitol.

Outside the Washington Depot they boarded buses which took them on a rapid one-day tour of the city. The group watched the precision of the marching guard and viewed the ceremonious changing of the guard at Arlington Cemetery. Energetic students climbed several hundred steps to the top of the towering Washington Monument and gazed down at the Capitol City spread below them. Students viewed with awe the spacious rooms of the White House, and they wished for more time to spend in the absorbing Smithsonian Institute. Other interesting sights on the day's agenda were the Capitol Building, the Lincoln Memorial, the National Gallery of Art, the Supreme Court Building, and Marine Memorial.

Late Saturday evening the group was back on the train headed for home. The Arrow reached Wheelersburg Sunday afternoon, and the weary, happy students were sorry that their gay weekend had ended.



The Smithsonian Institute contained many wonderful items.

Students enjoyed watching the change of the guard at Arlington Cemetery and admired the spacious White House.



Sightseeing was fun, but we all enjoyed the gay hours (and some were not so gay!) we spent on the train.





## THAT SPECIAL NIGHT— SENIOR PROM

The Junior-Senior Banquet-Prom given in honor of the Senior Class was a great success. Lovely Lake Margaret set a beautiful background for the important social affair. The students joined in presenting an entertaining program including the reading of the Senior class will, prophecy, history and poem.

The prom followed shortly after the dinner with Rapalee's band providing the dance music.



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Class Address--"The Ten Commandments of Good  
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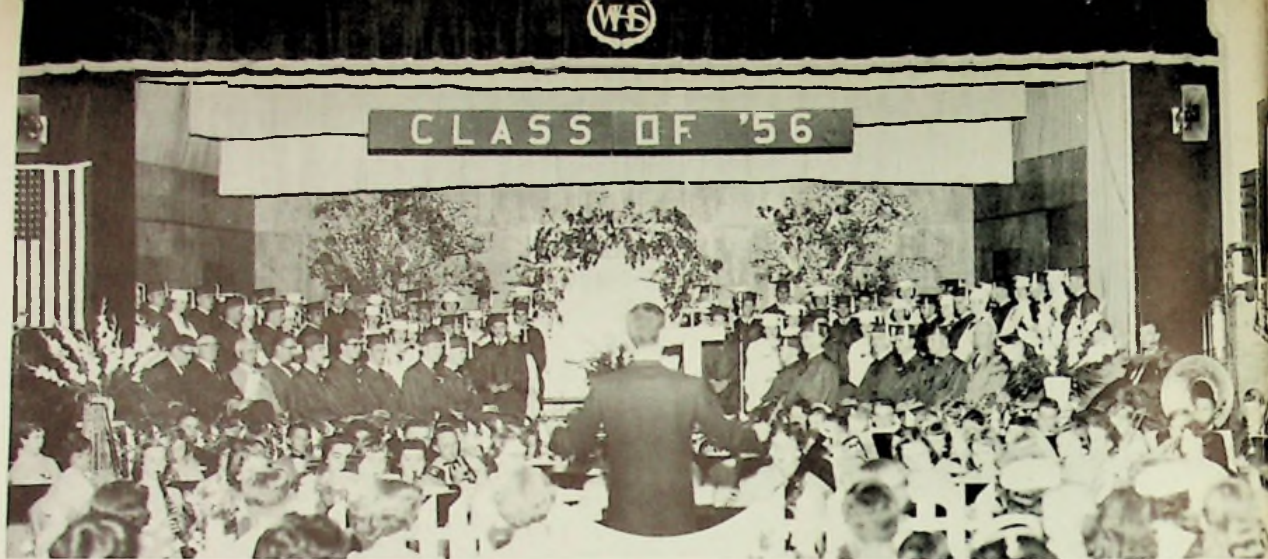
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Recessional

## PARTICIPANTS OF COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM:

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Carl J. Herms, Ward M. Miller, H. Gresham Toole, Jacob H. See, E. R. McCowen.





The Wheelersburg High Band plays a musical presentation during the Commencement exercises of the graduating class of 1956.

## "POMP and CIRCUMSTANCE"

Every available chair has been taken; the candles have been lit; the high school band begins to play the processional, the traditional "Pomp and Circumstances."

"Pomp and Circumstances", a sad yet triumphant march expresses the feelings of many of the proud graduates as they solemnly march into the auditorium. The graduate is dually pompous; twelve years of schooling has been completed and he is nearing adulthood and a life of his own. Yet, if it were not for this unchangeable circumstance, the graduate might rather remain a high school student; he might rather not leave behind his friends and acquaintances, his familiar surroundings and his security. Mingled thoughts are in the mind of the graduate; he is proud and happy, yet, meek and sad.

**Graduates** seriously march into the auditorium to the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance", the traditional commencement processional.



# TOP SCHOLARS AND AWARD WINNERS

Graduating with highest honors (upper 1/27) were: Robert Litteral, Helen Hammond, and Vicki Staker. Holding high honors (upper 1/9) were: Marilyn Delabar, Jane Bays, Virginia Harner, Peggy Bowman, Forrest Mullins, and Jacob Gerlach. Mary Morrison, Norma Eskridge, Barbara James, Judy Franck, Floyd Holsinger, Ann Bihl, Nancy Lewis, David Skaggs, Alan Bowen, Sharon McGinn, Doug Smith, Jeanne Parsons Ottney, James Pace, and Nancy Bays were graduated with honor (upper 1/3).

Virginia Harner was awarded the V. F.W. Good Citizenship Award; James Pace was essay winner of "The Beacon of Hope" contest; and Helen Hammond received the P.T.A. Teaching Scholarship. Robert Litteral was Science award winner; and Marilyn Delabar received a medal for twelve years of perfect attendance.



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