



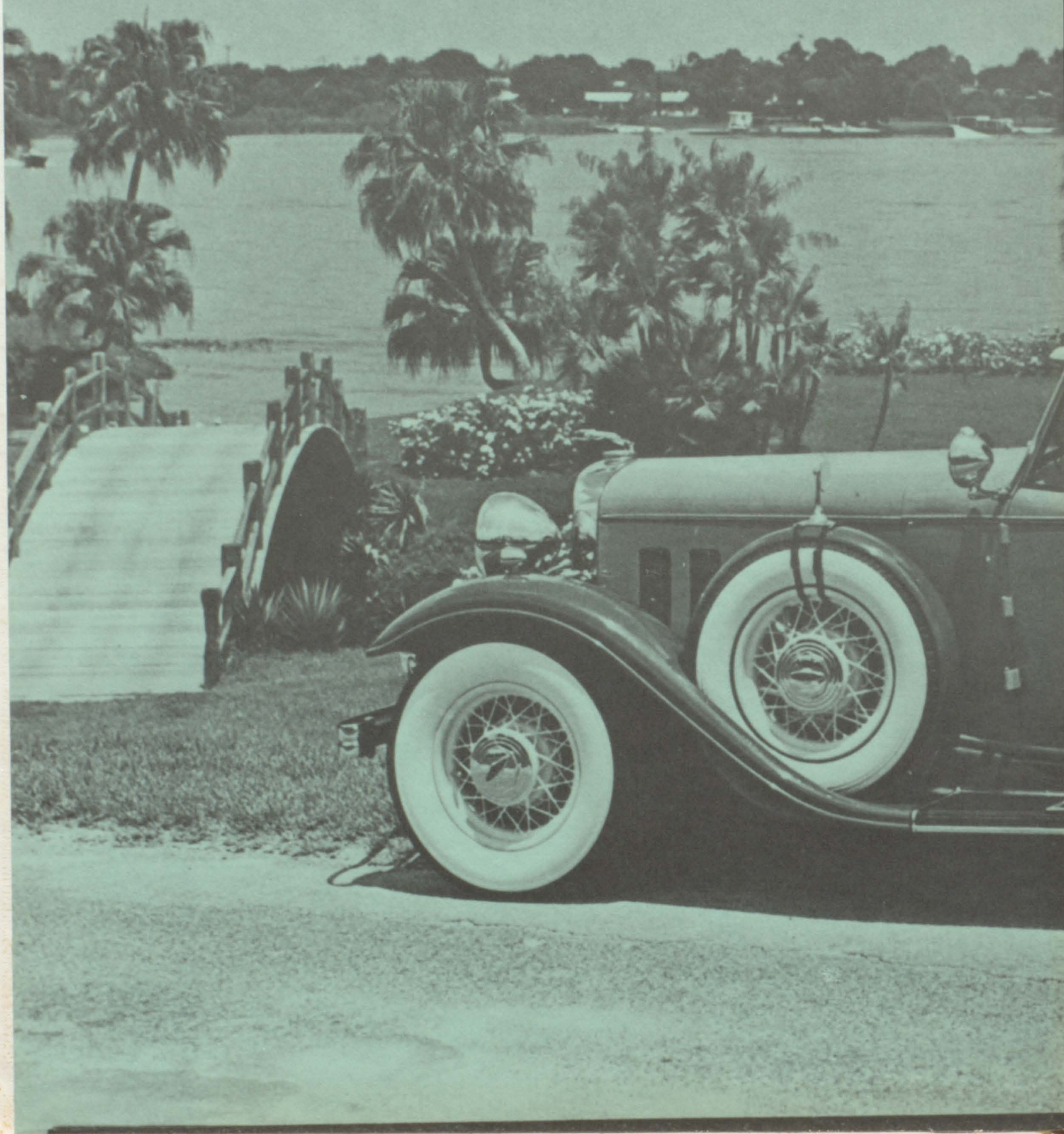
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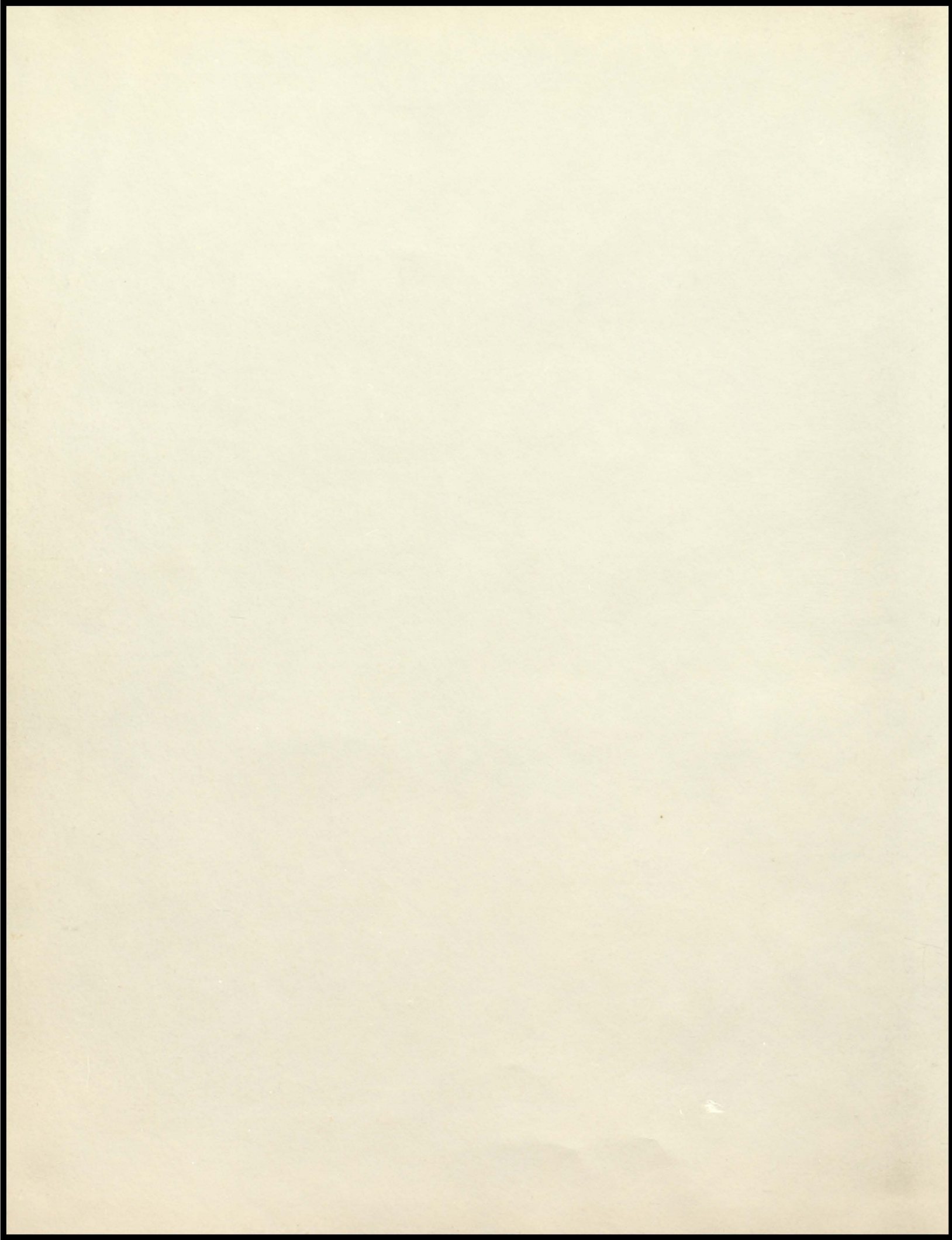
Driving down life's highways,  
always try to show a little class.











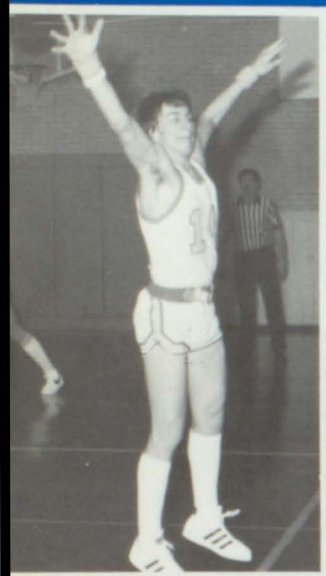




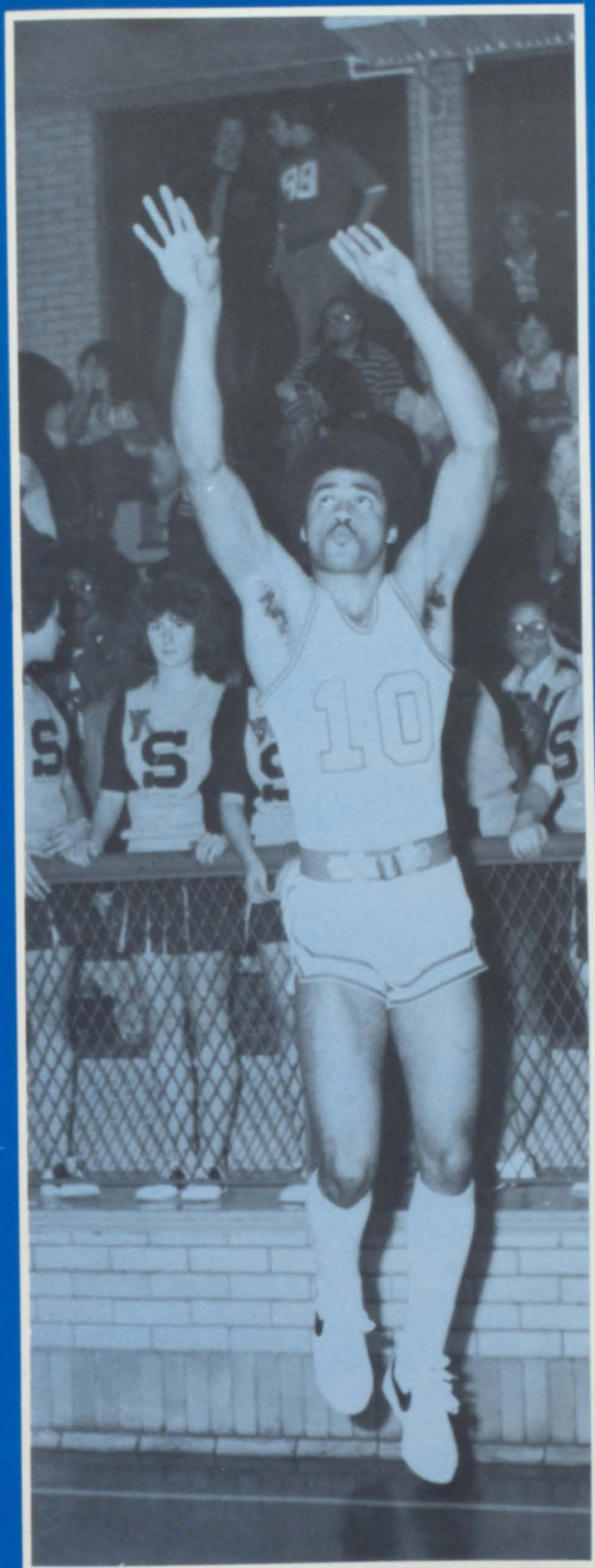
# 1978 SWISSVALIAN

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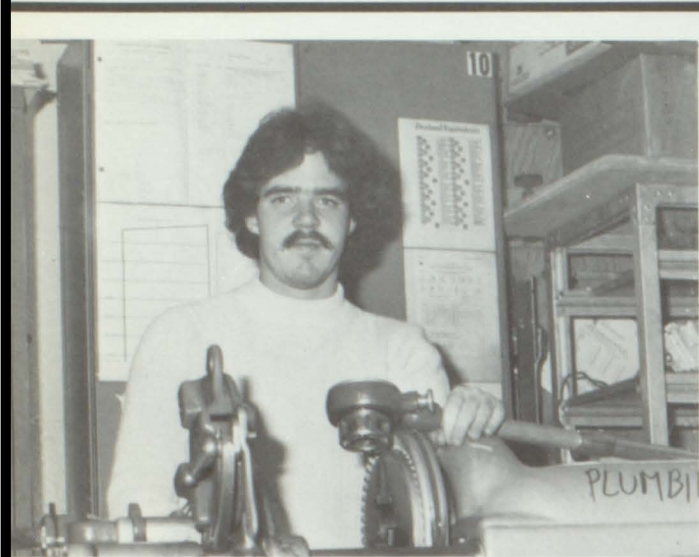




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Time,  
just seems to take her course,  
and dare us all to follow







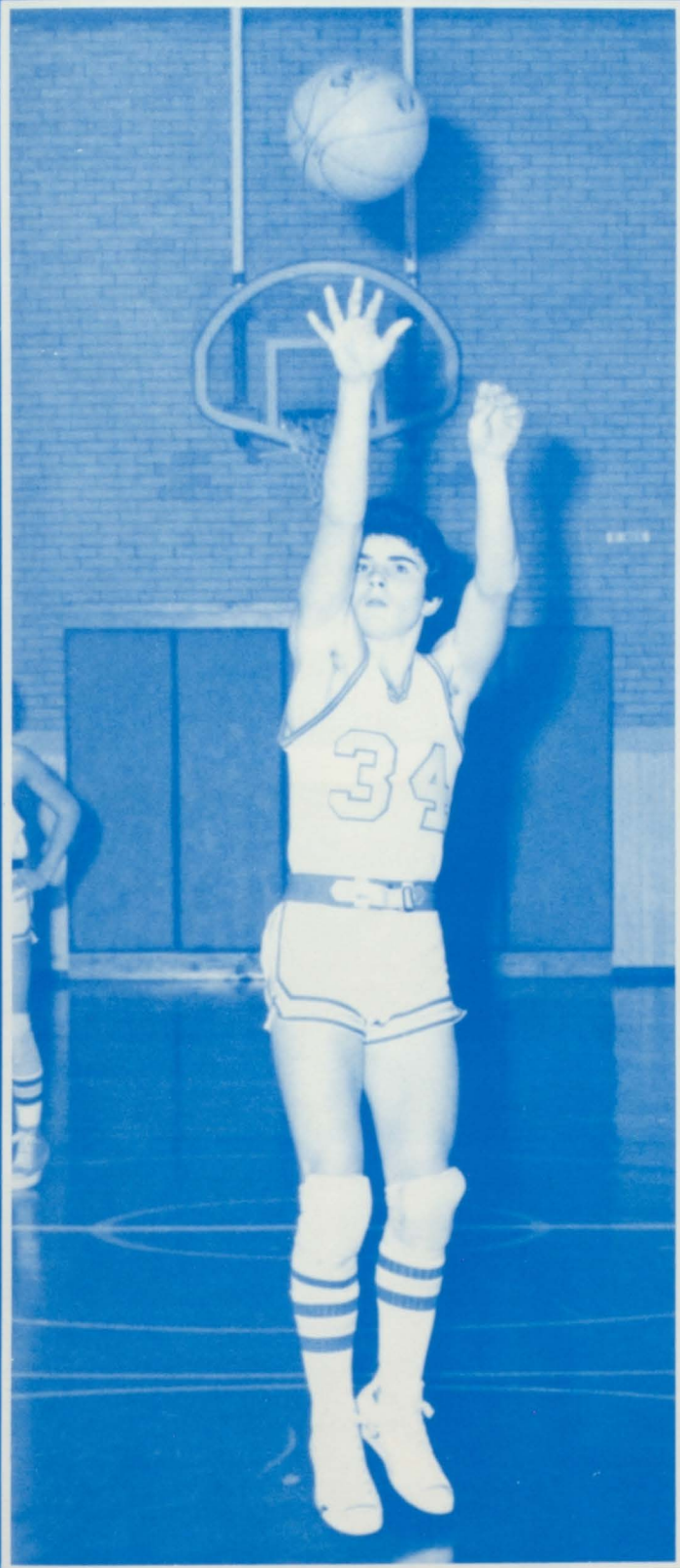




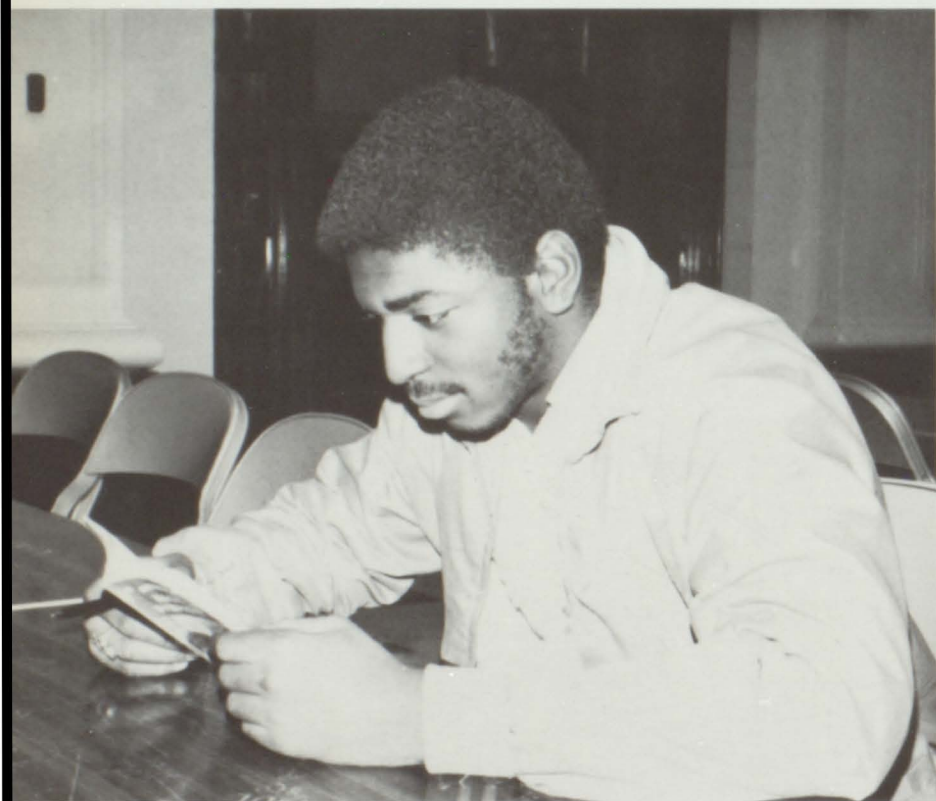
we mold ourselves  
and build our dreams,  
but we never seem  
to catch her.











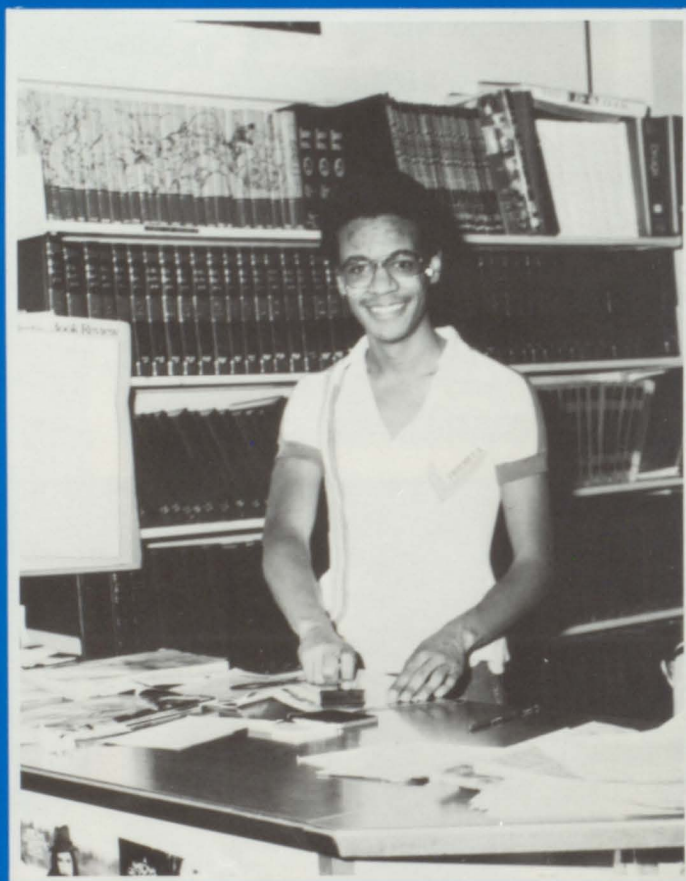
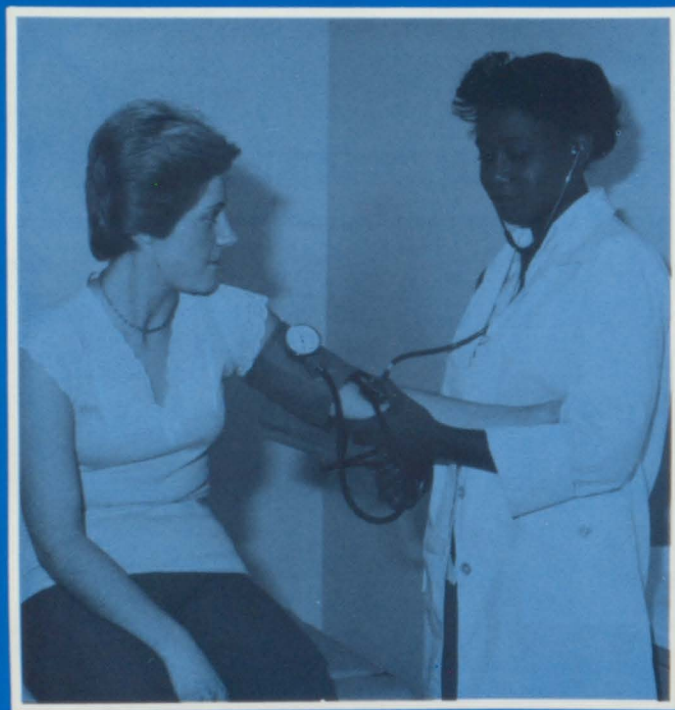
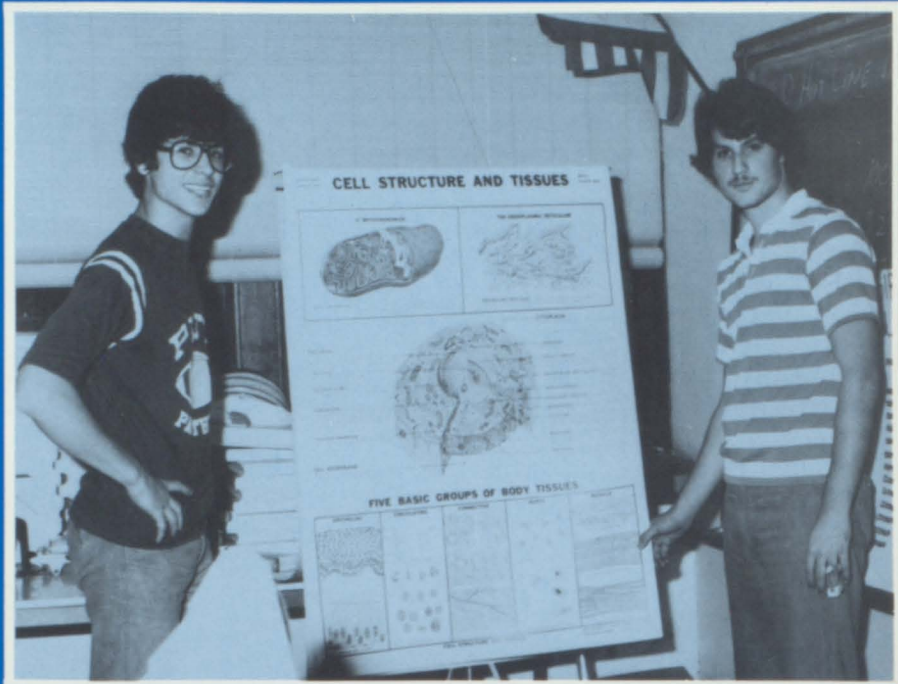
Mother time,  
swiftly running circles thru our minds  
gently beckoning from unreachable  
distances





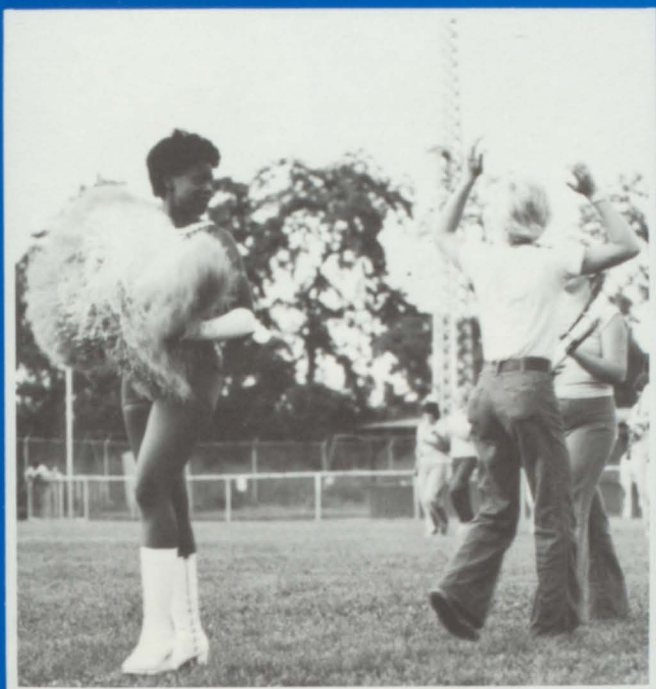




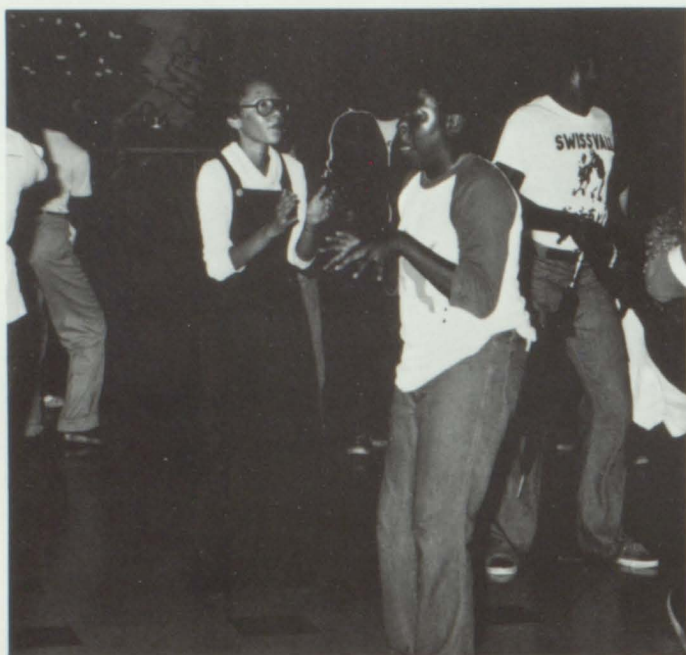




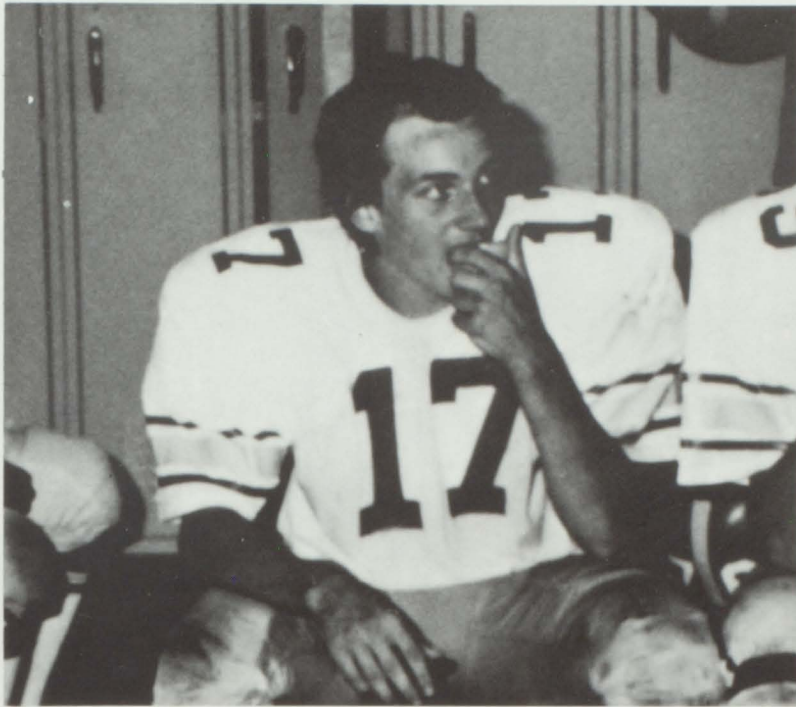
come follow come learn  
and we all grasp  
in hope of finding our  
meaning  
and slowly we build, with the  
help  
of caring people and timeless  
friends







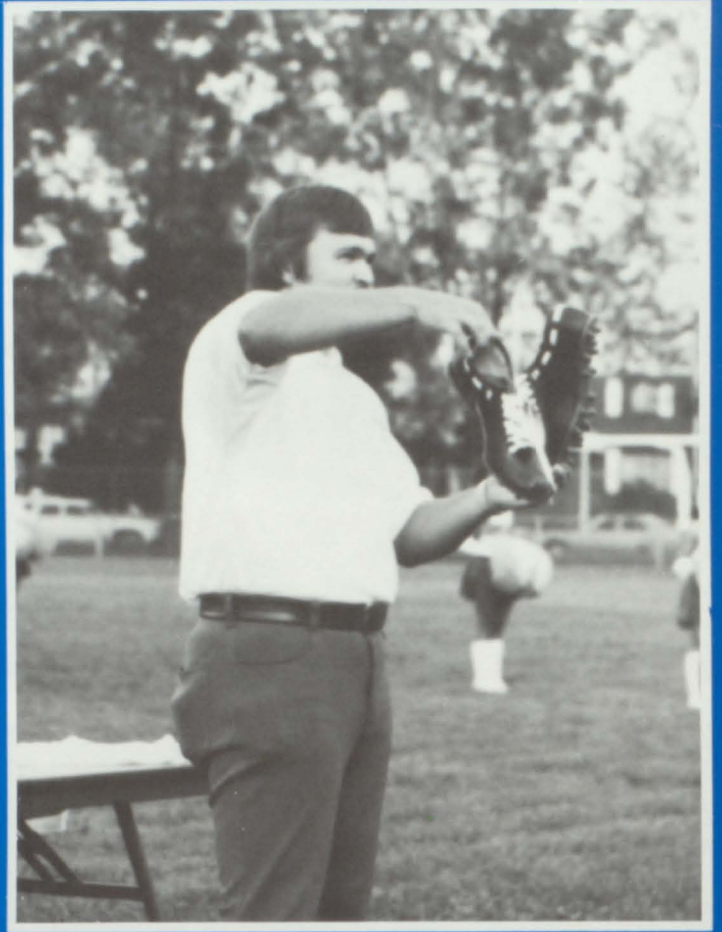




and as we leave, and as we grow  
we treat ourselves with  
nostalgic glances to the past





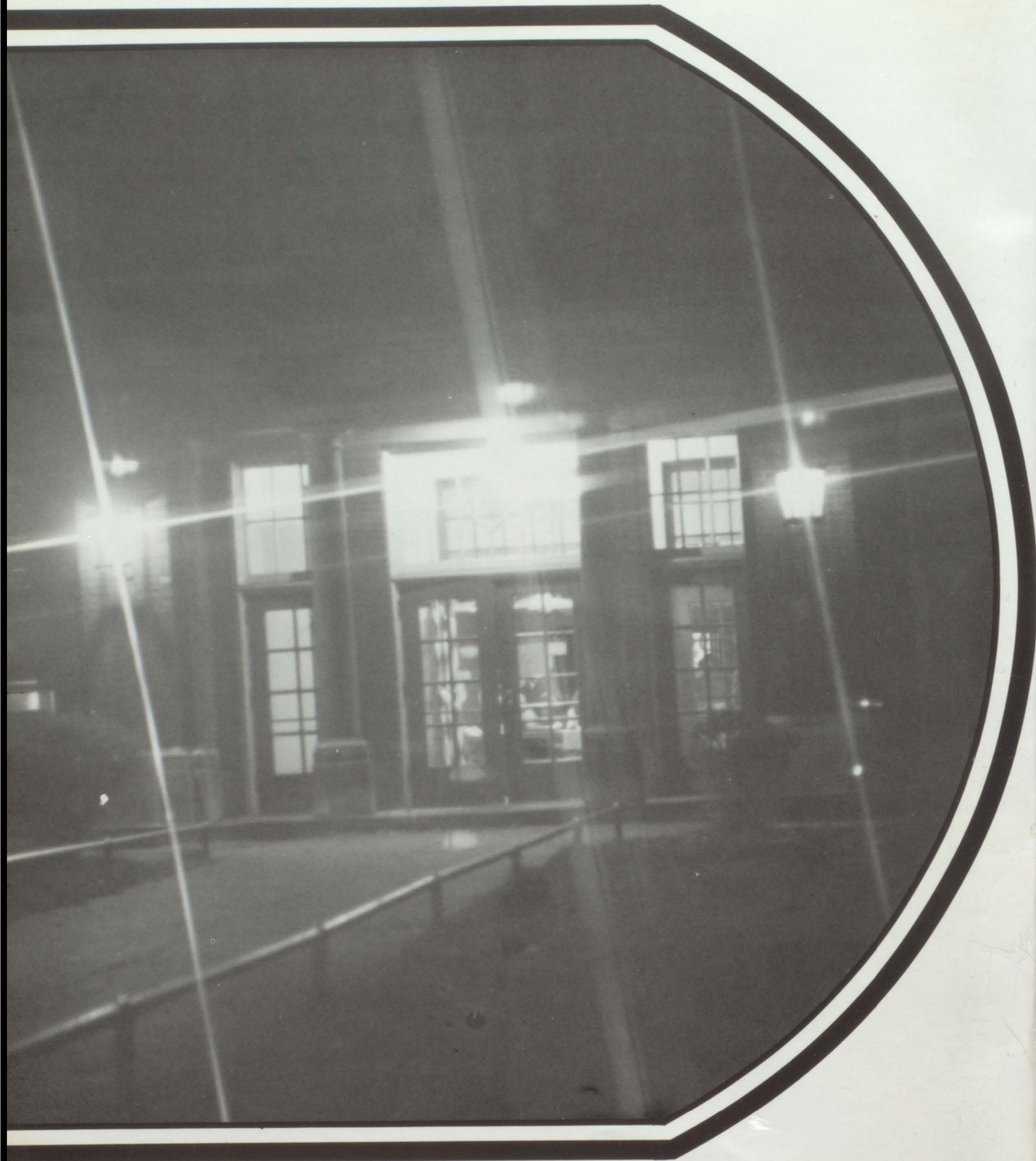






Knowing we can never return,  
only dream . . . . .  
Theresa M. Trojanowski







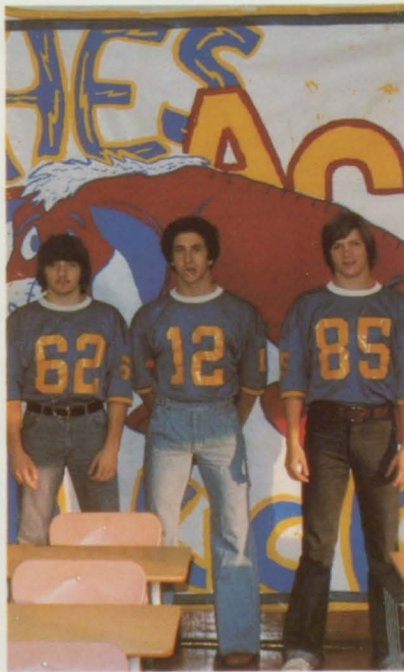
# Seniors in high gear



Sue Harencome and Beth Adducci greet everyone at the door.



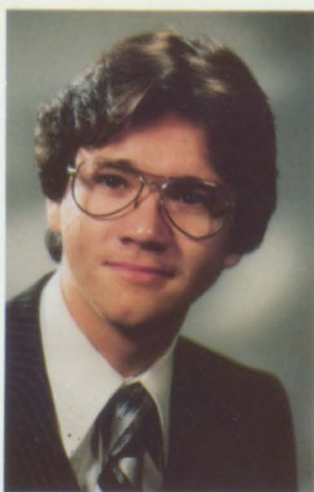
Bonnie Abromovitz and Nina show their smiles.



The Three Musketeers—Joe Stockman, Sam Pirozzi, and Pat Smith.



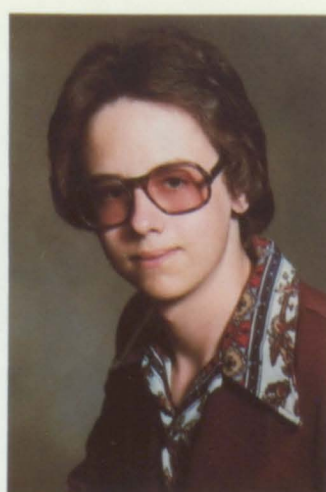




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BONNIE L. ABROMOVITZ



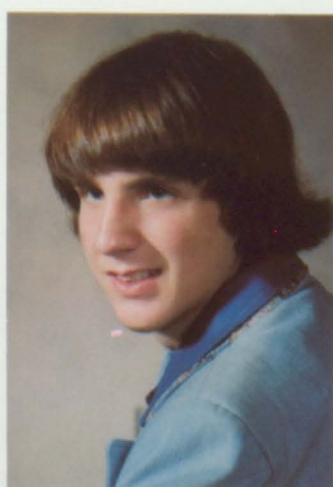
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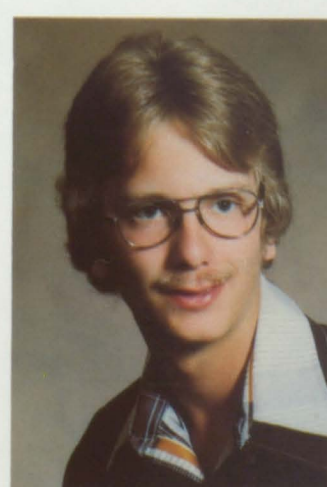
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SID ARCHINAL



DIANE ARNDT



DAVE ARTIM



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BALZER



BARBARA BARVINCHAK

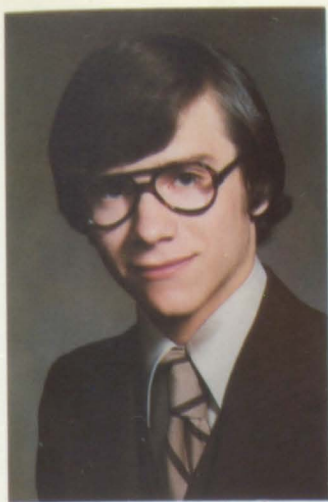


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DONNA J. BEDNAR





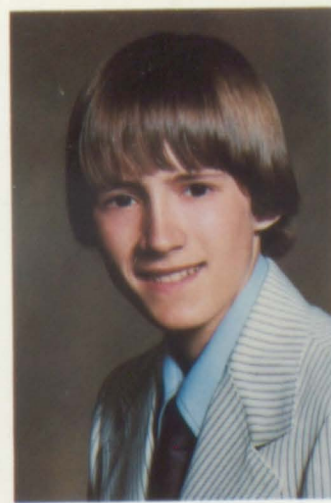
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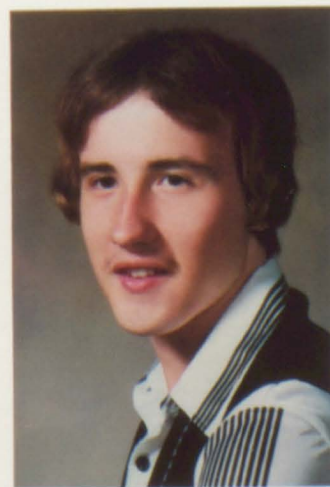
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"SANDI"



KATHY BOYLE



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BUCAR



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"CHILIDOG"



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LISA R. CAPUTO



LISA M. CARR



MR. SCOTT A. CARSON





JOSEPH MICHAEL  
CATONE



BARBARA MARIE  
CHACALOS



ALBERT B. CHOP III



DEBRA LYNN CHOP



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CLEMENS



THOMAS A.  
COLAPIETRO



CONRAD RAYMOND  
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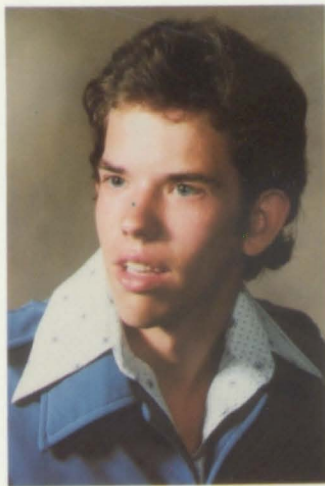




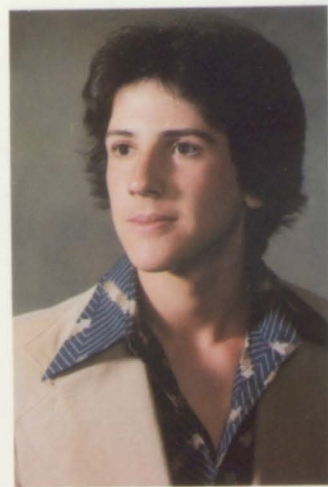
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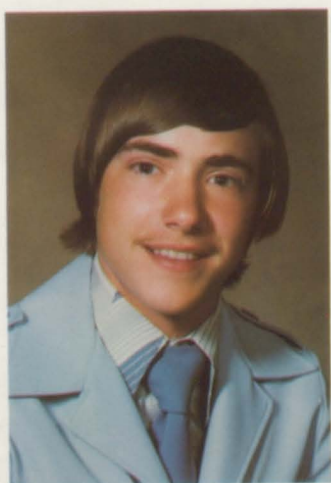
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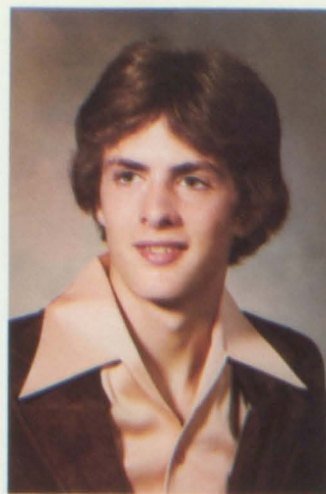




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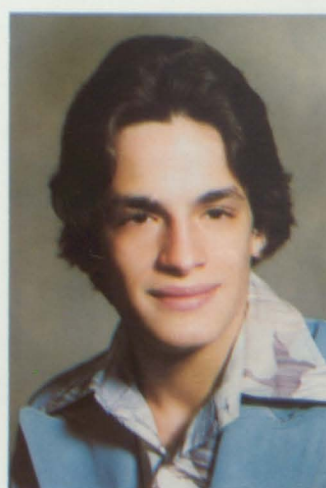
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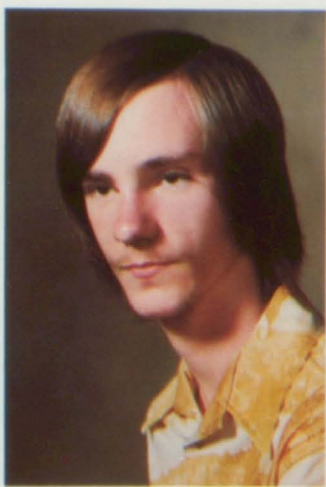
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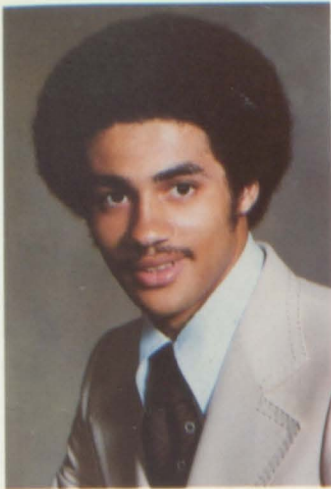


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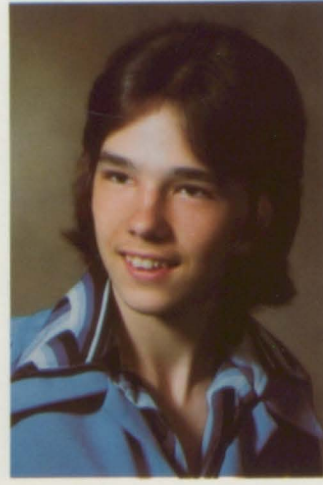
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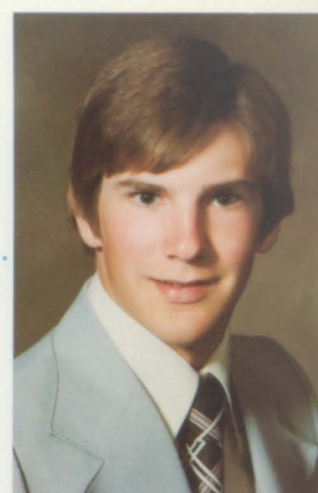
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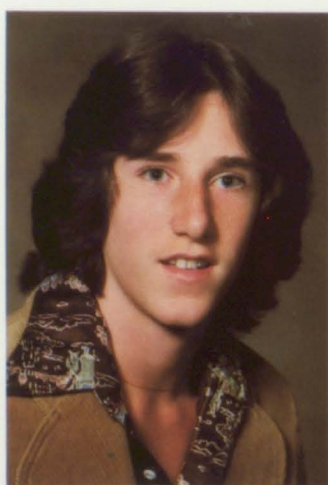
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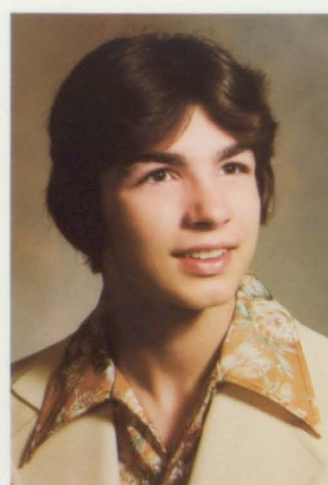
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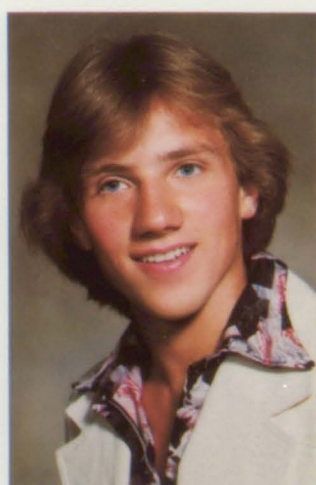
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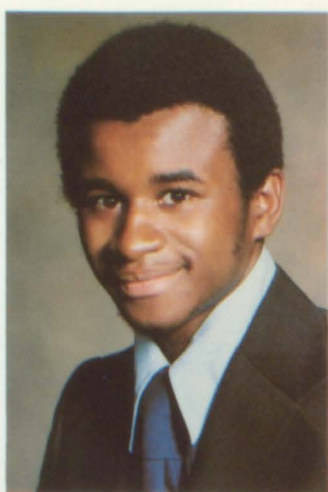


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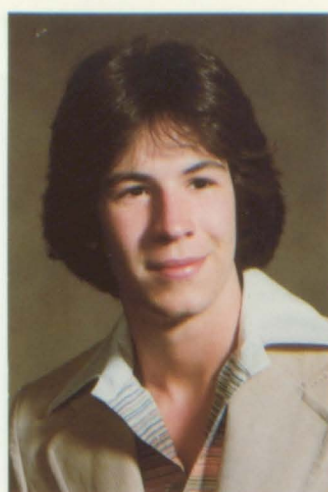




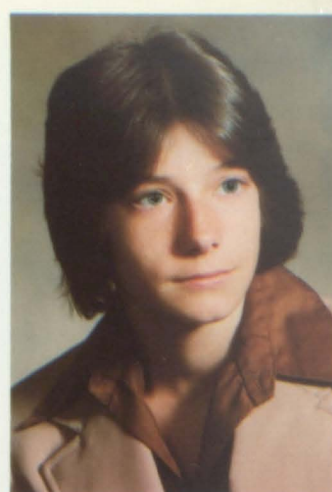
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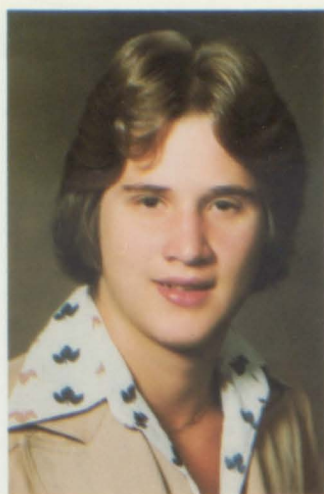




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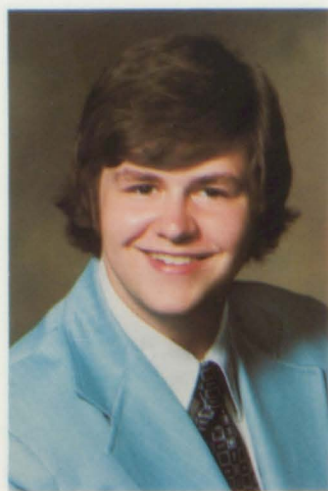
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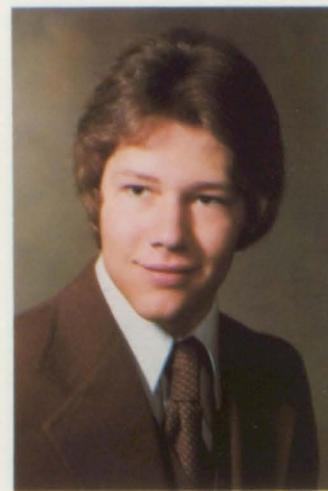
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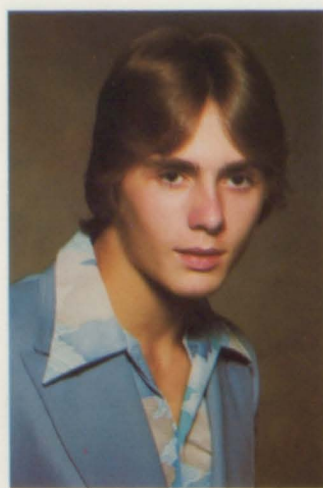
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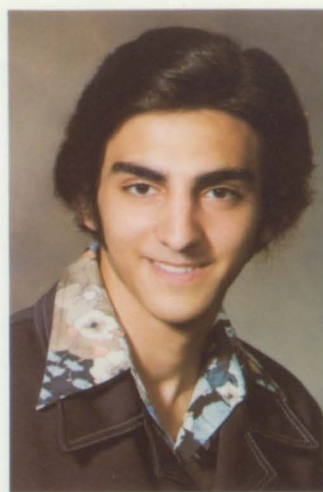




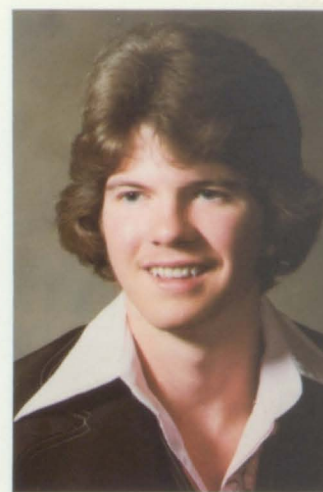
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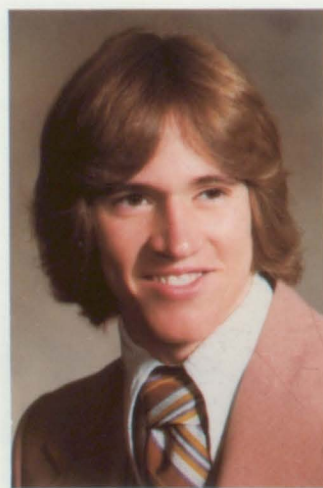
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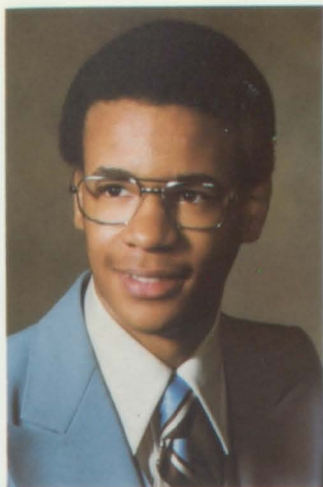


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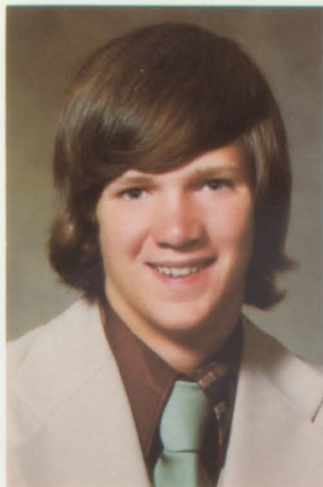


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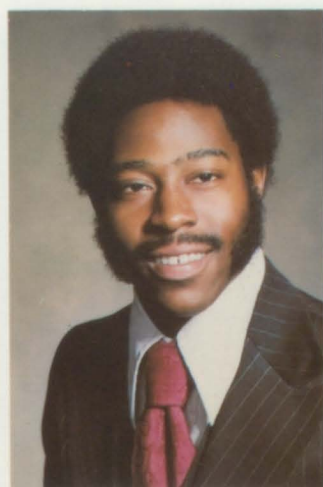
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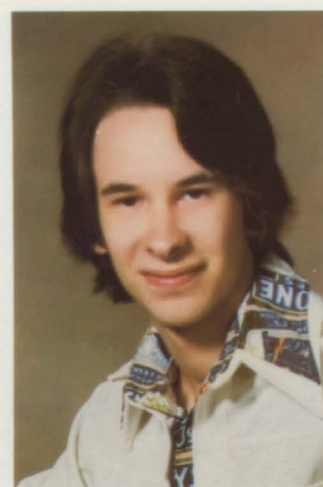
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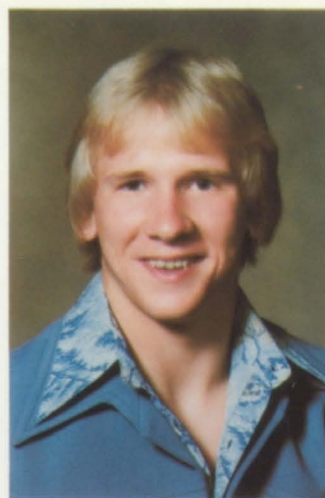




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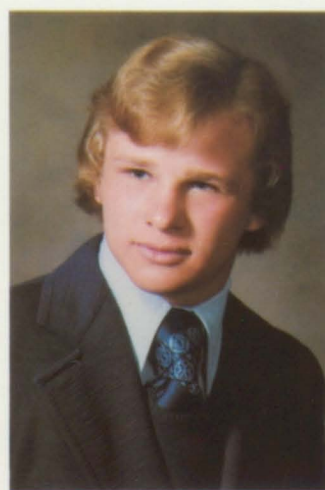
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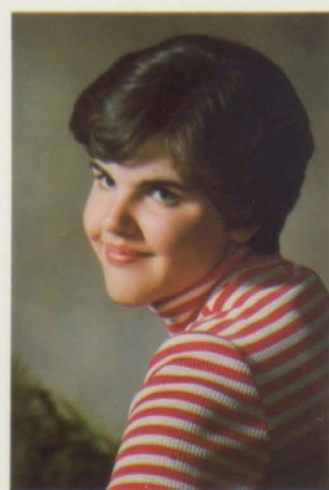
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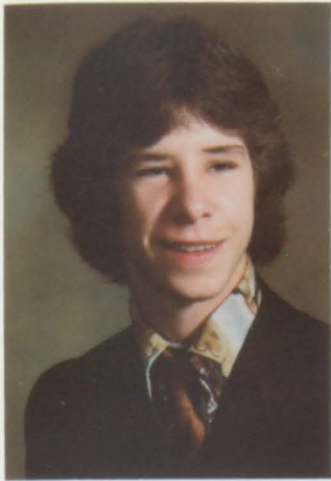


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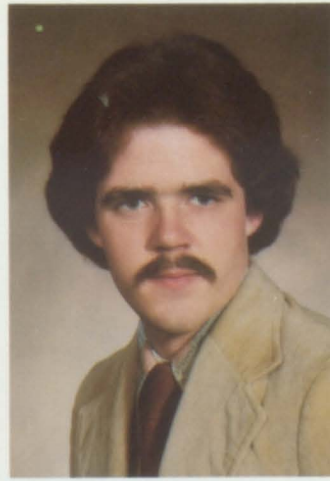




JEFF ZENTNER



MICHAEL ALAN ZINZA



PHILLIP McCORMICK



Terri Laney makes Sandy Marney an offer she can't refuse.



Jessie Nowlin is Swissvale's sex symbol.



Senior Flashes lettermen show their muscle.





Swissvale Area High School as viewed in fall of 1977.

It has been part of Swissvale's landscape for 56 years. Our parents and perhaps our grandparents have attended this school. If only these walls could talk, the stories they could tell us. They could speak of the changing fashions which have passed through these halls — from button-up shoes, ankle length dresses, and nickers to bobbie sox, leather jackets, and poodle skirts in the 50's; from mini skirts, love beads, and peg-leg pants to boots, gouchos, and blue jeans in the 70's.

The walls could tragically tell us of wars where the young men of Swissvale High School were ripped from its halls. These walls have withstood years of controversy as the world has moved forward toward new heights of progress.

Time has moved on but the building itself was unable to keep pace. Generations have passed through its halls and doors taking with them whatever lasting memories or gleaming fact of knowledge that would make the road to their destiny somewhat less bumpy.

Time has finally expired for Swissvale Area High School as it does for all things in life. This last graduating class will be no different than any other which has gone before it.

Before leaving this school they too will seed out and pack away memories to cherish as they face life's fate. There will be no looking back on this building, for there will be no halls to reminiscently walk through. There will only be our memories and these pictures to look back on.



For 56 years this building served to educate the students of the Swissvale Area Community.



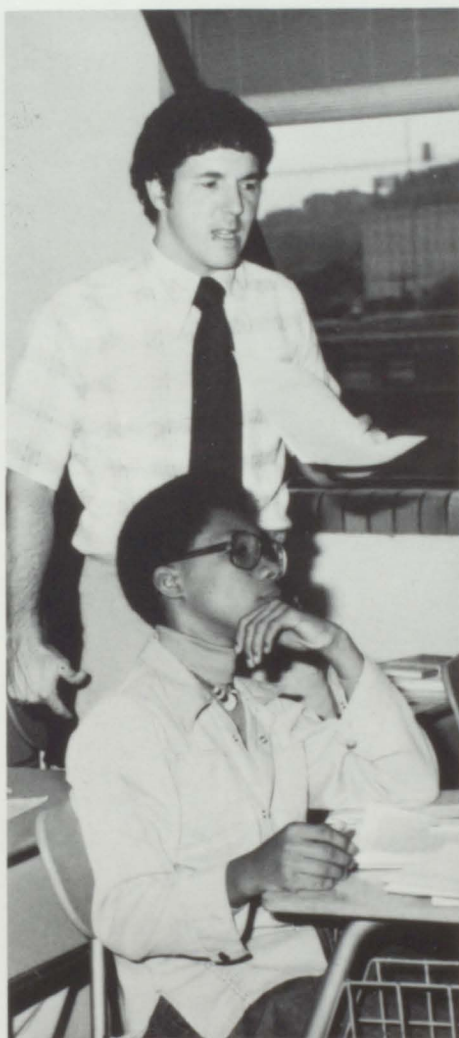


Kathy Fazio takes a break between classes.

# Underclass in second gear



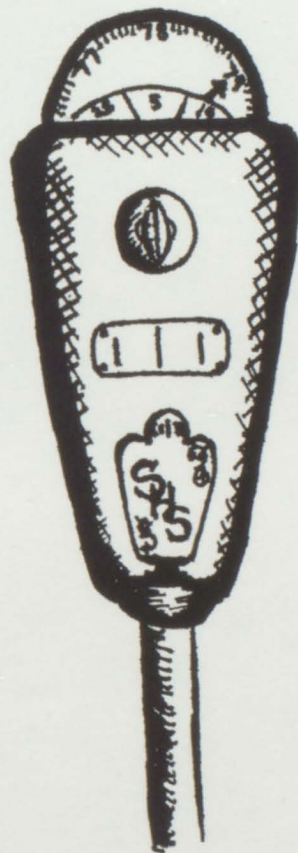
Vaughn Hempfield shows his stuff.



Mr. Biesecker instructs John Anthony.



"Sexy Sophomore", Margie Matta.





# Juniors take top honors for Homecoming float



Jim Alm



Walt Artuevich



Robin Arnold



Dave Arthrell



Selena Bagwell



Tad Balzer



Beth Ann  
Berman



Kathy Bilecky



Roxanne Bright



Ed Brinkley



Dan Bucsko



John Burns



Chuckie Bye



Marty Byrne



Anthony  
Candiello



Ed Campbell



George  
Cencerick



Ernie Ciarolla





Lou Cicero



Karen Chernick



Betsy Cherry



James Chizmar



Matt Colaric



Sandy Cosgrove



Vicki Cottone



Carol Cushion



John Diana



Tom Dillon



Nancy Domis



Diane Donnelly



Jim Esher



Joe Esposito



Bob Faychaek



Cathy Fazio



Gerard  
Fialkovich



Mark Fisher



Rick Foster



Clay Fulton



John Geller



Phil Gibson



JoAnn Gigliotti



Doug Gilbert





Mary Beth  
Giordano



Donna Hall



Bob Hansey



Barb Hudale



Susan Ianucci



Beverly Jackson



Bill Jackson



Jeff Jackson



Beth James



Dave Johns



Danny Joyce



Karen Kamauf



Melanie Katilius



Sue Kotula



Georgann  
Keches



Debbie Kolich



Chuck Konop



Denise  
Koziemski



Gerard Kraly



Patti Kubli



Theresa Larkin



Aces Lawson



Ronnie Lesko



Dan Lukas





Richard Lucas



Rocky Lynch



Dave MacMillan



Joe Mahute



Marty  
Maskerinic



John Matta



Tom Matvey



Karen McCall



Jeff McCarrick



Pat McCormick



Jim McGough



Jay Menold



Jan Miller



Greg Mondrey



Mary Mularkey



Frank Napoleon



Anna Nichols



Sandy Noey



Pam Oldham



Donna Olinger



Kathy Oliveri



Sharon O'mara



Mark Pampena



Billy Paul





Mary Jo  
Pcolinsky



Joanne Penick



Cheryl Penrod



Cathy Peterson



David Petrarca



Cheryl  
Polovchik



Arnold Porter



Donna Porter



Bob Portogallo



Tad Pukansky



Jody Punturi



Lori Quinn



Ruth Redshaw



Jim Riley



Kim Rockovich



Tracy Rossey



Albert Rousseau



Luanne Russo



Gina Sacamango



Gine Sapienza



Lynn Scott



Rich Sedory



Darrel Shaffer



Ken Shaffer





Gigi Siler



Bob Smith



Mark Sowa



Andy Spero



Julie Stefano



Debbie Stevens



Joann Stewart



Cathy Stoner



George Stovar



Carl Sudyk



Karen Szypulski



Joan Thomas



Debbie Thorton



Carmine Trunzo



Linda Valentino



Kathy Valko



Diane Vasquez



Kathy Vigiletti



Karen Vlahou



Randy Voohris



Jim Welsh



Joe Welsh



Beth Westin



Kathy Wheeler





Vicki Wildauer



Diana Wilhelm



Bill Wilson



William  
Wroblewski



Kathy Yazvac

Sophomores struggle  
with classes  
and schedules



Angela  
Abbenante



Susan Alm



Ross Arnold



Steve Auble



Lori Austin



Anthony Ayers



Merle Balkovec



Steve Ballas



Marty Barron



Janis Bentz



Kathy Berdis



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Stacey Blockey



David Boring



Barry Boros



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Gary Brunner



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Carol Burns



Mark  
Campasano



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Mary Ann Carr



Dave Carrell



Lisa Cicero



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John Clement



Mary Beth  
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Tracey Crombie



Maxine Crouse



Cindy Cushion



Toni Crowe



Betty Jean  
DelCorso



Darci Delisi



Chris  
Diberrardo





Dino  
DiBernardo



Joe Donatelli



Diane Donofrio



Vickie Donofrio



John Dorr



David Dorogy



Maureen  
Duncan



Doug Eiseman



Luke Eiseman



Kevin Ertman



Theresa  
Escher



Mark Evanchek



Van Evans



Brian Falk



Cindy Falk



Rick Falk



Laurie Fisher



Jack Flaherty



David Foster



Keith Frank



George Geller



Terri Gerkins



Marty  
Germanowski



Craig Gibson





Rob Hawranko



Jim Haver



Bob Hartwick



Jimmy Johns



Darlene Jackson



Tony Iovino



Jackie Hurney



Scott Hood



Robert Henkel



Dorothy Lander



Jim Krieger



Maria  
Kreatsoulas



John Kovack



Pam Konop



Sandy Kessler



Ardella Kent



Jeffrey Joynt



Linda Johnson



Vaughn  
Hempfield



Anna Hayes



Angela Hayes



Valerie  
Goodfellow



Amy Good



Karen Gledich





Charles Lawson



Linda Lee



Robbie Lesko



Nancy LoPresti



Margie Matta



Elaine Matthews



Karen Matvya



Jennifer  
McBroom



Paul Miller



Patty Milko



Joe Melko



Mary Lynn  
Mehalik



Linda McHenry



Robin  
McCafferty



Debbie  
McCready



Nathan May



Ross  
Montalbano



Kathy Mularkey



Mike Oliveri



Joe Onderick



Andy Orfitelli



Philip Palotta



Becky Pehl



Bernadette Pehl





Tim Pehl



Diane Penrod



Paula Perri



Diane Perry



Terese Petrina



Kelly Polacek



Shavone Porter



Curtis Reaves



Peggy Redinger



Grieg Schrok



Cindy Rode



Becky Rousseau



Lee Sahene



Aaron Sayles



Julie Scarano



Chuck Skrabak



Barbra Scullen



Susan Sedory



Kathy Shields



Annette  
Shockling



Michael Shore



Chris Sixsmith



Don Slabe



Kathy Sloan





Joe Smith



Tracey Smith



John Soderberg



Susan Spero



Sheldon  
Stoudemire



Rhonda Stolec



Jack Stoner



Ernie Surunis



Ty Stuller



Doug Swankler



Kathy Tierney



Lisa Toth



Mike Trainer



Rich Trunzo



Bob Tyson



Jeff Venturella



Jean Venturella



Terry Venturino



Dino Voelker



Dennis  
Walendziewicz



Michelle Welsh



Pete Werts



Nathan Wetzel



Mike Smith





Mary Ann  
Wright



Joe Wisniewski



Steve Wood



Lori Yesko



Darlene Young



Kim Zelen



Debbie Kolich studies in silence on deserted stairway.



Beth Aducci and Kathy Wheeler are just clown'n around.



Marty Byrne FINALLY gets the punch line.



Joan Thomas checks out the "dudes" Eric Oliver and Vaughn Hempfield.





School Board, Seated (L-R): Mr. Edward Garrity, Mr. Ross Cioppa, Dr. Roy M. Smith, Dr. James L. Kelly — President, Mrs. Angela Escher. Standing (L-R): Mr. Robert Cloherty — Business Manager, Mr. John Bell, Ms. Patricia Ardnt, Mr. Rudolph Okorn, Mr. Rudolph J. Celigo — Superintendent, Mr. Richard D. Kost — Assistant Superintendent. Missing from picture: Mr. William Sutter, and Mr. John Bell.

The people  
who give us  
the green light.



The wheels that keep Swissvale Area High School in motion are our members of the school board. Meeting monthly, they have become the headlights to enable moving onward to the new high school a speedy transition. Their guidance in selecting a feasible budget and innovative school policy will keep Swissvale rolling for many years to come.



Ms. Patricia Ardnt



Mr. John Bell





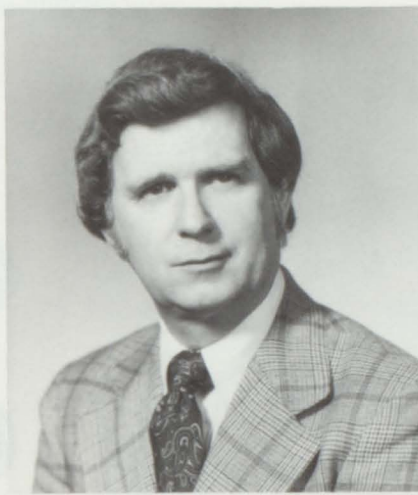
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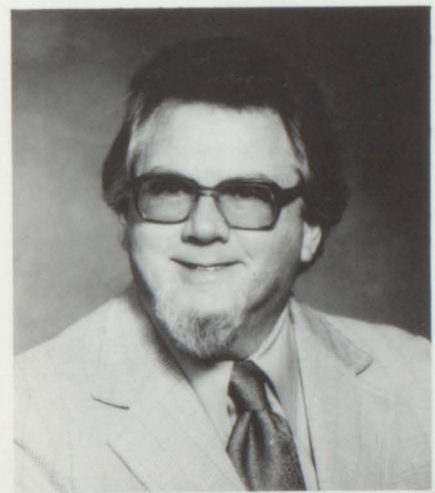
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Mr. Edward Garrity



Dr. James L. Kelly, President



Mr. John Hickton, Esq. Solicitor



Mr. Rudolph Okorn



Dr. Roy M. Smith



Mr. William Sutter





Mr. Rudolph J. Celigoi — Superintendent. Has served seven years in this school system.



Mr. Richard D. Kost — Assistant Superintendent. Has served seven years in this school system.



Charlotte Mallet, Guidance Counselor. Has served eleven years in this school system.



William A. Krizan, Guidance Counselor. Has served twelve years in this school system.



Mr. Patrick V. Bonacci — Principal. President of the Allegheny County Secondary Principals Association. Has served eight years in this school system.



Mrs. Helen J. Novotnie, Mrs. Erma Carrell — Secretaries





Mr. Robert Cloherty, Business Manager, has served seven years in this school system, and is president of the West Central PASBO.



Mrs. Agnes P. Reed



Mrs. Lilian Gibson



Mrs. Marie Holt



Mrs. Mary Okorn

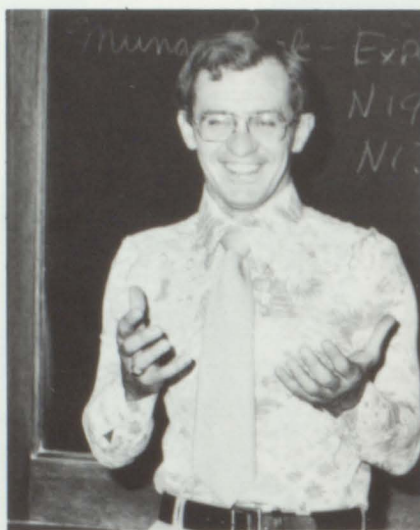


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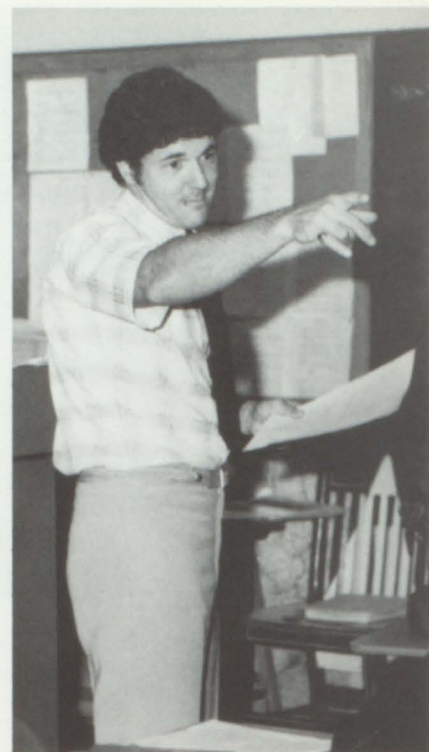
Louis A. Calgaro, Spanish Club



Timothy Bober, Athletic Director,  
Wrestling Coach, Varsity Club



Mrs. Angie Bodrog, Sophomore  
Class Sponsor



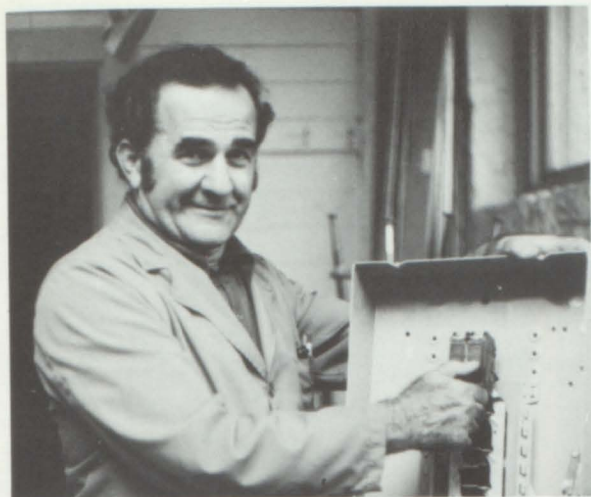
William D. Biesecker, Assistant Base-  
ball Coach



Dian Bujdos, English Department  
Chairperson

The road crew  
who speeds up  
learning

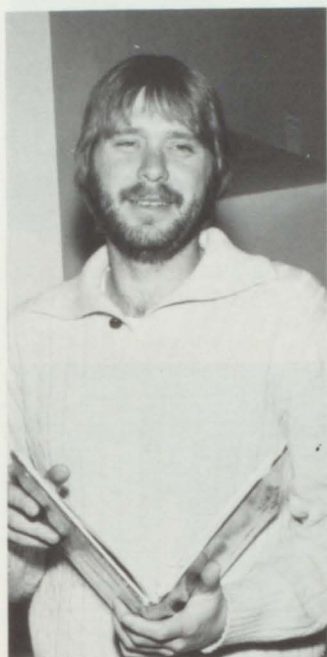




William Chobanian, Electric Shop



Ronald F. Cecil, Head of J.V. Football,  
Intramural Volleyball and Basketball,  
Weight Lifting Club



Richard L. Carlberg



Ruth F. Buehner, Business Department  
Chairperson, Activities Fund  
Treasurer



Marian M. Farnish



Paul Cramer

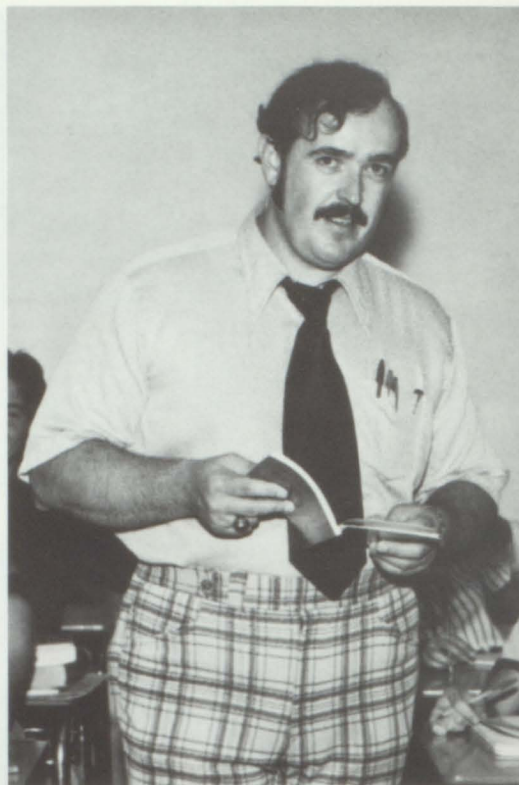
Every truck needs a driver and an experienced crew to keep the truck running smoothly. Swissvale High School's education truck is no exception. Driven by Mr. Patrick Bonacci, it's engine is kept finely tuned by an expert faculty.

The faculty will have a hard job ahead as they endeavor to keep the education truck in tune with Swissvale's changes.





Dalton Keener



David R. Gordon



David H Lynn, Social Studies Department  
chairperson, Jr. High Girls' Basketball



Russell R. Holt, Jr. Chess Club, Assistant Girls'  
Softball Coach





Mrs. Evamarie E. Pfeiffer, Mathematics Department chairperson



Mr. Anthony Maydak, Junior Class Sponsor, Science Department Chairperson



Mrs. Barbara McKinney



Ronald C. Persin, Assistant Football Coach, Boys' Volleyball Headcoach, Bodybuilding Club, Basketball Scorer



Patrick J. O'Reilly, Senior Class Sponsor, National Honor Society, Head Basketball Coach





Janice L. Olson, Girls' Volleyball, J.V. Volleyball  
Girls' Varsity Basketball and Intramurals



Joseph C. Thomas, Jr. Student Council Advisor, Driver Education



Raymond H. Roebuck, Jr.



Charles P. Scafuri



James A. Stivanson, Head of Music  
Department



Diana L. Plutto, Library Club





Steve Monoyoudis, Art Club



Mrs. Dolores C. Suvak, SWISSVALIAN Advisor, FIRST AMENDMENT Advisor.



Mrs. Anna Marie Shields, School Nurse



Mrs. Norma Jean Christ, PYEA Sponsor



Mrs. N. Politis



Terri Pope, French Club, Y-Teens, Cheerleaders, Assemblies









The vehicle is our minds, developed and formed from the talent each individual possesses. Through the classes at Swissvale High School the students evolve into responsible adults prepared to make the transition to life's highway. The road to our successful future begins in the confines of our classes.

# CLASSES







Mr. Lynn, the expert, explains an assignment.



Mr. Bober points out his old hometown.

Mini program:  
from the Etzel  
to the Cadillac.

The English department is a highway traveled by every student during their three year journey at Swissvale Area High School. There are many routes to choose from which will prepare the student for the trek down life's highway. Sophomores receive the frame work of the vehicle which will enable them to travel this road by taking basic grammar, which is required during the first semester. Piece by piece the car is assembled in the junior and senior year. College Prep English is the final step to prepare those seniors who wish to travel down the road to college.

The History Department is the road which permits us to travel into the past. With the various mini-courses to choose from a student can select from civil war to current events or from Africa to sociology. For a more in depth look at history seniors may take a Advanced Comprehensive Social Studies class taught by Mr. Lynn. By delving into this road of the past, we may learn how to prepare for the road of the future.



Mrs. Politis recites a poem to her class.



One of Mr. Gordon's famous lectures.





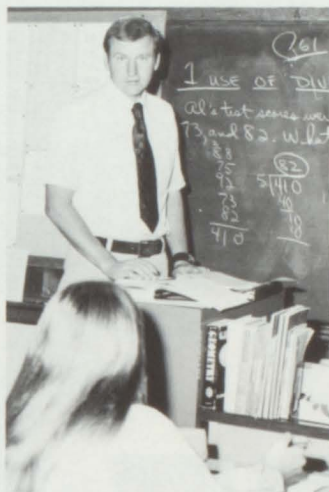
Betty Jean examines the biological specimen as Mr. Keener watches.

The construction area of the school can be found in the math department as the workers of the Calculus, trigonometry, algebra, geometry and basic math classes construct their circles, graphs, charts, triangles, theorems, postulates and equations.

With the basic structure and knowledge the workers receive, they are better prepared to construct the road which will lead them to college and jobs.



Dave Artim is the "mad" scientist in chemistry class.



Mr. Persin instructs the math class.

Construction workers in the science department diligently collect insects and specimens, dissect worms, frogs, and fetal pigs and achieve a greater understanding of the human body in biology. Biology provides the structure for the concrete foundation, poured by the chemistry class in their experimental findings, through research with various elements.

Finally, the asphalt coating of physics completes the road which leads a student to a better understanding of the physical sciences.



Mr. Holt protects valuable equipment from Carol's fingers.



# Start it up

The pistons keep on turning in the Driver's Education classes as they race to keep in tune to the changing laws and rules of the road. Throughout the year, they maintain their engines by conducting traffic surveys, seeing filmstrips, and entertaining guest speakers who talk on safety, alcoholism and good driving procedures. At this speed, the Drivers' Ed will roar down the straight-away to success and better driving skills in no time flat.



"Oh, so that's how it works!"



Who do they think they are, Wonder Women?



"Not this BUNCH again!"





Mrs. McKinney demonstrates the mimeograph machine to Jackey and Mike.

Distributive Education helps develop the skills of salesmanship. These soon to be traveling salesmen examine supply and demand curves, and the principles of being a good salesman. Under the teaching of Mr. O'Reilly, the students make their first turn on the road of a salesman by creating eye-catching displays with the use of manequins.

The business education department prepares students for the mechanical road of a businessman. They are trained in shorthand, typing, accounting, and the use of the various business machines. The time, effort, skill, and training involved in the aspect of business education will outfit the students to conquer steep drive of a student traveling the highways of the business world.



Mrs. Buehner assists Patty with her shorthand.



Our Senior girls in Accounting II work with an adding machine.



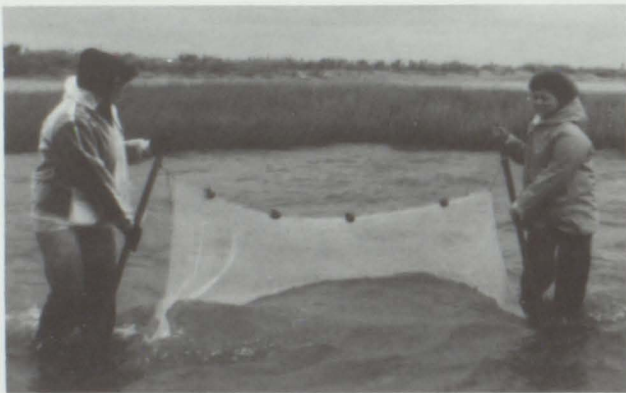
Mr. O'Reilly's D.E. class takes a break from typing.

# On their way to business





Oceanography Students: (L-R), Front, Bill Wrobleski, Jeff Jackson, Jim Alm, Jody Punturi. Back, Mark Simko, Dave MacMillian, Annette Grainy, Beth Berman, Frank Napoleon, Mr. Maydak, Scince Department Chairman.



Beth and Annette seining the ocean.

## Biology students study ocean life



Meet our new friend — the clear nosed skate.





Dave uses a hand-held compass to find directions.



Margie, the instructor, shows the students a type of crab grass.



Anybody for mole crabs?

During October, nine students from Swissvale began a four-day journey down the road of Oceanography. The venture at Wallops Island, Va. exposed the students to the open-road of oceanography and such routes as seining, beach combing at low tide, an ecological walk through a salt marsh, and a boat trip on a research vessel using various oceanographic equipment. Time was also set aside for identifying species of various types of marine life in the lab. As the four-day experience concluded, the students having mapped out the new highway and having received a more comprehensive look at the ocean and the areas of science it had to offer, packed their bags and headed down the road which lead back to Swissvale. For a short time they had traveled the blue-green highway of the scientists of the sea.







Hey! Que' pasa!



Las chicas leen el periodico espanol.



On parle francais ici.



Les femmes fatales!

## Languages keep on rolling

Many students have found a road in Swissvale Area High School which leads to the "Old World." Students may enroll in either the French or Spanish courses that are offered as electives in the curriculum. While bridging the barrier of the language structure a student not only learns to speak and understand the language, but also learns a strong background in the culture and customs of the people.

In the spring students transcend the obstacle of the ocean and make a pilgrimage to either France or Spain enabling them to make use of their skills.





Brian, Keith, and Lisa know—it takes a green thumb!

Art is a creative realm, which is to some as vital a part of life as any other talent. The art classes endeavor to teach the fundamental aspects by working with clay, ceramics, wicker, and wire. These classes develop and nurture faculties of the students and provide with a basis from which they can use to travel down a high-way which may lead to a career in the field of art.

Physical education is the road where the action is. Twice a week the gym classes get fired up to indulge in various exercises, games, gymnastics, and endurance tests. They develop not only their physical abilities and attributes but also their mental abilities and sportsman like conduct. Gym makes for a well-rounded, poised individual.



Mr. Cecil explains, "What goes up must come down!"



Students demonstrate their skills in art.

## From creativity to activity





Choir: 1st row, (L-R): Kim Ramsey, Mary Beth Giordano, Lori Yesko, Joanne Gigliotti, Lisa Caputo, Theresa Trojanowski, Robin Polacek, Robin Clemens, Belinda Hickman. 2nd row: Joanne Melvin, Diane Arndt, Peggy Redinger, Pam Konop, Beth Crombie, Beverly Jackson, Cyndi Stevens, Ella Chambers, Lisa Matthews, Jessie Nowlin. 3rd row: Karen Chernick, Bonnie Abromovitz, Karen Goodfellow, Pam Jones, John Geller, Pete Werts, Joe Punturi, Bill Paul, Dave Arthrell, Sandy Boros, Vernon Irvin. 4th row: Keith Stewart, Bob Faychak, Mike Ursiny, Jerry Smith, Moses Murray, Ed Brinkley, Rocky Lynch, Tom Voelker, Phil McCormick, Pat McCormick, Ron Papula, Melody Horton, Kevin McLaurin.

## Music on the move

Singing their way down life's road are the members of Swissvale's choirs. Practicing daily they tune up their voices for excursions which they take to Children's Hospital where they share their talents and lighten hearts.



Choir Officers: Bottom Row (L-R) Joanne Gigliotti, President, Sandy Boros, Treasurer. Top Row (L-R) Jody Punturi, Vice President Mike Ursiny, Student Conductor/Secretary.





Mixed Chorus: Front (L-R), Michelle Welsh, Donna Olinger, Sandy Cosgrove, Lori Austin, Sandy Noey. Middle (L-R), Gary Brunner, Therese Gerkins, Nancy Mayhall, Mark Cifranick, Paul Miller, Edith Bechtol. Back (L-R), LaMar Crowe, Theresa Trojanowski, Mike Ursiny, Rick Foster, Rocky Lynch.



The Swissayers are another extension of the choirs at SAHS. This elite group of outstanding vocalists are hand-picked after undergoing an audition. The students are also selected on the basis of talent and previous experience in other music oriented groups.

Swissayers: (L-R), 1st row: Mary Beth Giordano, Joanne Gigliotti. 2nd row: Diane Arndt, Theresa Trojanowski, Lisa Matthews. 3rd row: Vernon Irvin, Cyndi Stevens, Kevin McLaurin, Ella Chambers. 4th Row: Pete Werts, Mike Ursiny, Keith Stewart, Dave Arthrell, Bill Paul.



## Students on the road to future careers



The "Body" Experts — that is "Auto Body"



"Are you sure Betty Crocker got started this way?"



Wishing that piece of wood was his instructor, Scott saws away.



The Class of 78's own Galloping Gourmet and Juliet Child.





Barb and Don venture into the field of data processing.



"You can't plant that 'Weed' there!"

To begin a life long journey down the road of your chosen career, you must first choose the particular highway which suits your vocation. Forbes Road East Vocational Technical School enables students to select the correct route for their future endeavor. By attending Forbes Road one half of the day students receive the training key necessary to start the engine of the car in their particular field of work. The students which attend "Trail" can train in everything from Medical Assistants to Auto Service Mechanics. When students complete the course of study at Trail, their car is tuned and ready to begin the journey down the road of their profession.



For expertise in carpentry, call Ronnie, Danny or Connie.









Often times we find ourselves speeding down life's highway obsessed with school work and whatever other obstacles fall in our path. In most instances, we find ourselves by-passing the activities and pastime this school has to offer. There is an entire array of activities to motivate, occupy and bond everlasting friendships. The activities open a new horizon in which a person may indulge, grow, and create memories to cherish forever.

# ACTIVITIES



# The brains behind our convoy

The foremen of our class trucks are the class officers. Leading the convoy which is soon to be rolling down the highway of life are the officers of the Class of '78, Dave Kazimer, Pres. and Sandy Marney, V. Pres.

The Junior Class is busy preparing their trucks for their final two years and the road-block the prom offers. Under the guidance of Sponsor, Mr. Tony Maydak, the President, Dan Joyce, and Vice-President Jody Punturi will help their class over come whatever obsticals there may be in the road.

Finally the Class of '80 has an uphill drive in an attempt to build a strong foundation in their trucks. But the sophomore class can see a flashing light on the road ahead which looks promising to the President, Ross Arnold, and Vice-President Mary Beth Crombie.



Senior Class Officers: Dave Kazimer, President, Sandy Marney, Vice President



Junior Class Officers: Top, Jody Punturi, Vice President, Dan Joyce, President.



Sophomore Class Officers: Mary Beth Crombie, Vice President, Ross Arnold, President.





Officers: Front, Bonnie Abromovitz, Pres.,  
2nd row, Marty Maskarinec-V-Pres., Isabel Bert-  
hold,-Sec., Top, Mr. Thomas-Advisor.



President Bonnie Abromovitz

## The primary pit crew

Student Council, Bottom L-R, Sherri Payne, Randy Voorhis, Mary Ann Carr, Diane Perry, Rhonda Stolec, Mary Caputo, Robbie Lesko, Tom Kozusko, Jerry Bernard. 2nd row, Nancy Mayhall, Susie Alm, Diane Donofrio, Patty Tilley, Ruth Redshaw, Mark Campasano, 3rd row, Tad Balzer, Joanne Gigliotti, Karen McCall, Barb Scullen, Lisa Stohlberg. Standing, Marty Maskarinec, Bonnie Abromovitz, Isabel Berthold.



The pit crew for the student body is the Student Council. This crew maintains the students' engines by providing them with an information booth, snack counter, and an outdoor informative marquis. They also entertain the students by offering such activities as Homecoming, Student Exchange program, and Memory Lane. They also provide us with an escape route from the grinding wheels of daily school life with field trips, assemblies, and dress-up days. Each year the crew takes a route which leads to Children's Hospital, and Eastern Area School. Outfitted in clown outfits they spread the cheer which is so abundant in SAHS.





Office Aides, Kneeling: Sharon O'Mara, Lori Quinn. 2nd row, Lorrie Yesko, Rose Provenzano, Lisa Stohlb-berg, Sandy Boros, seated, Cathy Fazio, Georgiann Keches, Kathy Warren. 3rd row, Michelle Metro, Terri Laney, Kathy Vigiletti, Diane Perry, Cindy Rushe, Jackie Sasso. 4th row, Diane Donofrio, Kathi Burns, Joanne Stewart, Linda Lee. 5th row, Beverly Jackson, Rhonda Scott, Michelle Hurney, Connie Rouse, Vicki Cottone, Marybeth Giordano.

## Keeping the wheels rolling.

The wheels of the daily business of the office would cease to turn if it wasn't for the fine mechanics who keep them oiled. These dedicated mechanics volunteer their services during their free periods. They maintain the office gears by running errands, retrieving attendance slips, delivering daily absence sheets, passes, and messages and giving service with a smile behind the office counter.

Sharon and Georgiann lend helping hands.







Quill and Scroll; L-R, Bonnie Abromovitz, Nina Young.

## On the road To success.

National Honor Society: Front L-R, Nina Young, Michelle Hurney, Rose Provenzano, Lisa Shohlberg, Beth Ann Daw. 2nd row, Mike Zinsa, Tom Pearson, Mr. O'Reilly-Sponsor, Mark Dorogy, Tom Hempfield, Jerry Bernard.



Driving down the highway of success their headlight beaming intensely are the members of Quill and Scroll. These talented group of drivers, composed of Juniors and Seniors set an excellent pace in their work as literary students. Membership to the International Honorary Society for high school journalist requires outstanding writing ability either on the vechile of the FIRST AMENDMENT or SWISSVALIAN staff and the recommendation of their advisor.

The second crew of expert drivers which are steering down the highway of success are the elite group of junior and seniors composing the National Honor Society. This is a national organization recognizing drivers with such attributes as; service, character, scholarship, and leadership. These drivers also have the recommendation of their driving instructors and have maintained a 3.0 average in their driving skills throughout the four years of their education.



# Moving in the right direction

PYEA is about the drivers who, take time out from their journey to contribute their services to the school or the community which they are such a vital part of. The drivers learn to work together to perfect the machine of education. They pass on their knowledge to elementary children, preparing them for the road which later on in life they too will travel.

The member's of the PYEA broaden their horizons by traveling new routes which take them to various colleges, entertaining children at hospitals, and making favors for Senior Citizens. Pennsylvania Youth Education Association members are movin' on in Swissvale.



PYEA, Seated: L-R, Laurie Fisher, Anna Nichols, Sherri Payne, Lori Quinn, Cheryl Penrod, Donna Bednar. Second Row, Cyndi Stevens, Kitty Lutz, Karen Goodfellow, Kathy Jackson, Betsy Cherry, Mrs. Christ; Sponsor, Cindy Hartwick, Michelle Metro, Darlene Cramer, Darlene Bucar.



Officers L-R: Betsy Cherry-Treasure, Kathy Jackson, Vice-President, Michelle Metro-President, Cindy Hartwick-Secretary, Mrs. Christ-Sponsor.



# ! Adelantando!



Out foreign speaking drivers are represented by the members of the Spanish Club. Their Foreign travels have brought them to Swissvale, where they have made themselves at home under taking such entertaining projects as; pizza-movie night, a hayride, a trip to Falling water, picnic, and other numerous bake sales.

The trek of our Spanish drivers has been both enjoyable and beneficial as they place their cars in the pits for the close of the year.

Officers L-R; Veronica Murray-Act. Cor., Kathy Oliveri-Historian, Michele Hurney-Act. Cor., Kathi Burns-Act. Cor., Ross Arnold-Secretary-treasurer, Robin Arnold-Vic. President, Carol Mihm-President, Mr. Calgaro-Sponsor.

Spanish Club, Seated; Lisa Caputo, Kathy Sloan, Patty Nacey, Debbie Thornton, Annette Grainey, Mr. Calgaro, Sponsor. 1st row, Maureen Yazvac, Jackie Hurney, Darlene Bucar, Kathi Burns, Diane Penrod, Patti Kubli, Ruth Redshaw, Georgiann Keches, Sue Iannucci, Mary Caputo, Robin Arnold, Vicki Wildauer. 2nd row, Barb Scullen, Terri Gerkins, Beverly Kerestes, Lisa Matthews, Carol Mihm, Beth Ann Daw, Gina Sapienza, Nancy Mayhall, Michelle Metro, Roseann Onderick, Sharon O'mara, Annette Schokling, Betsy Cherry, Michelle Averso. 3rd row, Michelle Hurney, Gelsina Chiodo, Darlene Jackson, Diane Perry Theresa Petrina, John Kohser, Barb Hudale, David Dorogy, Juli Stefano, Randy Voorhis, Tad Balzer, Craig Gibson, Kathy Oliveri, Carol Cushion, Mark Cifranick, Anthony Katilius. 4th row, Lee Leeberg, Sue Toomey, Veronica Murray, Marty Maskarinec, Jeff Jackson, Robbie Lesko, Jeff Venturella, Joe Donatelli, Louie Cicero, Ross Arnold, Chuck Konop, Mark Dorogy, Mark Campasano, Mike Smith, Moses Murray, Vernon Irving, Anthony Candiello, Pat Smith





# Vive le français!

Straight from the Grand Prix of France are the drivers of the French Club. These drivers are involved in an active race which spans the entire school year. Their first pit stop is the initiation program followed by the Cabaret Dance. As the winter approached the 3rd and 4th pit stops are the Christman party and the play, which the members participate in at Buhl Planetarium which exhibit their language skills. As the race draws to a close the final pit is a fund-raising car wash. With another trophy to add to their collection, the drivers of the LeCercle Francaise take a well-deserved break with a banquet and midnight boat ride.



Officers, L-R, Dave Kazimer- President, Joanne Gigliotti-Vice-President, Karen McCall-Secretary, Mary Mularkey-Treasurer

French Club, seated, L-R, Sandy Kessler, Elaine Matthews, Nathan Wetzel, Betty Jean Del Corso, Cindy Rode, Tracy Smith, Cindy Cushion, Karen Matvya, Mary Beth Crombie, Kathy Mularkey, Janis Bentz, Diane Donofrio, Patty Milko, Angela Abbenante, Susan Spero, Susan Sedory, Jim Krieger, Mary Ann Carr, Darci Delisi, 1st row; Bottom; Dave Artim, Darlene Bucar, Dave Kazimer, Jerry Bernard. 2nd row; Beth Ann Berman, Mary Mularkey, Karen McCall, Mary Beth Giordano, Grieg Schrock. 3rd row, Linda Valentino, Clay Fulton, Ricky Foster, Joanne Gigliotti, Andy Spero, Kathy Yazvac, Ella Chambers, Cheryl Penrod.







Floor show follies



Kathy, Sandy and Dave chat during the dance.



And the next selection is . . .

Welcome to Le Casino De Paris! Boogie to that beat.





# Sparks of sisterhood

Right, Y-Teen Officers; Front, Mrs. Pope-sponsor, Isabel Berthold-President, Patty Tilley-treasurer, Kathi Burns, Sandy Marney, Michelle Metro. Right, Mary Mularkey, Donna Porter, Joanne Gigliotti, Kathy Yazvac. Left, Lori Quinn, Juli Stefano-Vice-President, Ruth Redshaw, Beth Berman.



Seated; Front, Mrs. Pope-Sponsor. Seated, Y-Teens Cabinet; Michelle Metro, Sandy Marney, Donna Porter, Joanne Gigliotti, Patty Tilley, Isabel Berthold, Juli Stefano, Kathi Burns, Kathy Yazvac, Lori Quinn, Beth Berman. First Row; Theresa Trojanowski, Barb Scullen, Lisa Caputo, Annette Grainey, Terri Laney, Mary Mularkey, Mary Caputo, Becky Pehl, Georgiann Keches, Luanne Russo, Robin Polacek, Sandy Kessler, Sharon O'Mara. Second Row; Lisa Matthews, Roseann Onderick, Nancy Mayhall, Betsy Cherry, Michelle Hurney, Kathy Jackson, Darlene Jackson, Annette Shockling, Darlene Bucar, Diane Perry, Betty Jean Del-Corso, Angela Abbenante, Kathy Murlarkey, Debbie Thornton, Maxine Crouse. Third Row; Cheryl Penrod, Dianne Perry, Marybeth Giordano, Cyndi Stevens, Janis Bentz, Karen Matvya, Carol Cushion, Sue Harencame, Beth Aducci, Diane Penrod, Susan Spero, Margie Matta, Dorthy Lander, Jackie Hurney, Patty Nacey, Rhonda Stolec. Fourth Row; Mary Beth Crombie, Stacy Blocky, Lisa toth, Nina Young, Donna Bednar, Bonnie Abromovitz, Sherri Payne, Gelsina Chiodo, Sandy Boros, Vicki Wildaeur, Susan Sedory, Darlene Cramer, Tracy Crombie, Darci Delisi, Maryann Wright, Patty Milko, Elaine Matthews.







Sparks of sisterhood



. . . And this is my little sister Betsy.

Senior members; 1st row. (R-L) Nina Young, Bonnie Abromovitz, Sherri Payne, Lisa Matthews, Michelle Hurney, Theresa Trojanowski, Annette Grainey, Terri Laney, Susan Harencame, Mrs. Pope-Advisor. 2nd row, Isabel Berthold, Nancy Mayhall, Michelle Metro, Darlene Bucar, Kathi Burns, Sandy Boros, Patty Tilley, Beth Aducci. 3rd row, Roseann Onderick, Donna Bednar, Sandy Marney, Lisa Caputo.



The Y-Teens are the youthful spark plugs of the community and the high school. The first initial spark which starts the club function for the year is the candlelight service, a solemn initiation program.

The Sadie Hawkins Dance takes us into the comic strip land of Lil' Abner in late November, followed by the dance in February. The club sponsors a barbeque sale, bakesales, UNICEF drive, and an adopted Indian girl, Doris, whom the girls shower gifts and letters upon.

The girls keep their program sparked and in tune throughout the year. Finally the year draws to a close with a banquet and recognition of the cabinet and Senior members. This provides a time of recollection of the keep sake memories of the past year spent in Sisterhood.



# Movin' on with the times.

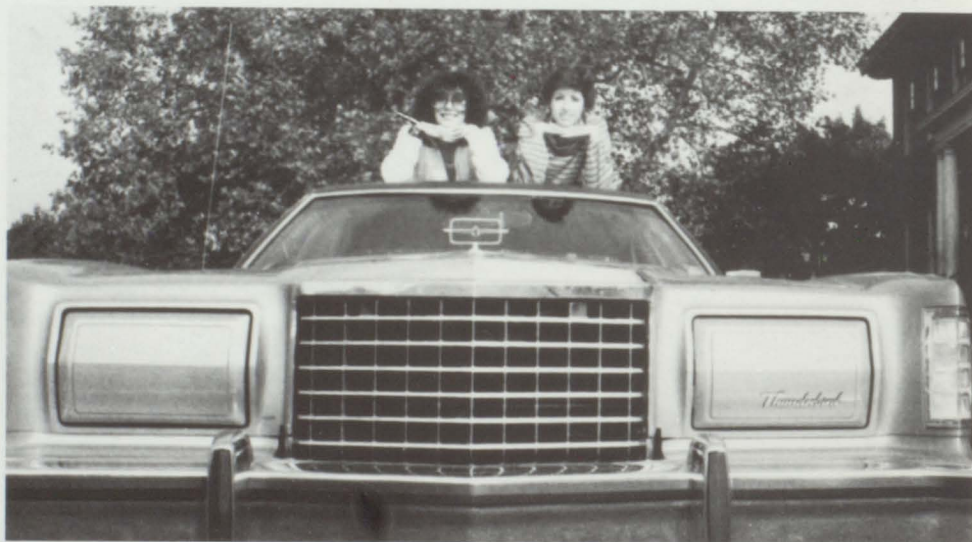
Etch the memories in your mind of all the special people, places and moments which you have passed while traveling down the school years road. Look back, and the etchings have faded. The SWISSVALIAN preserves these memories forever, a trek through the memory highways of your mind need only begin at the pages of the yearbook. Through the vivid pictures and descriptive words your vehicle awaits for your journey into the past. This year's Swissvalian staff has become sentimental over this past year's production. Working diligently, planning and scraficing their time and sometimes hours of sleep they complete the project. Racing toward hectic deadlines the ultimate yearbook is produced. This year's production moved down the highway preparing itself to merge into the open frontier of the new school. Dedicating this year's production to a school which has served the staff, student's and community they have made immortal the memories of a building which will be removed forever from the familiar landscape. With these tasks completed, the staff enjoys a yearly banquet and night on the town to reward its effort.



1978 Swissvalian Editors



Sports Staff; Ladder L-R, Dave Henry, Bob Hainsy-Editor, Ed Brinkley, Diane Wilhelm.



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# Yearbook makes the grade

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Copy Staff; top, Nina Young-Editor, Beverly Jackson.



Underclass Staff; top L-R, Mary Ann Carr, Cheryl Polovchik, Lori Quinn, Georgiann Keches, Cheryl Penrod. Bottom, Sharon O'Mara, Tracy Smith, Darci Delisi.





# Determined drivers make headway



... Maybe if I push it?



... Now I'll just wait here until the ball comes.

The Varsity Club members are the drivers of Swissvale's convoy. To become a member of this sporting convoy the drivers must have earned a varsity letter through hours of sacrifice, determination, and grueling training. The club provides recognition for its drivers and a chance for its members to collaborate and promote sports, team spirit, and sportsman-like conduct through various activities. The Varsity Club enables the convoy of Swissvale's athletic teams to reach its goal and destination.

Below, Varsity Club, Kneeling; L-R, Donna Porter, Sandy Marney, Betsy Cherry, Joanne Gigliotti, Kathy Yazvac, Karen McCall, Veronica Murray. 1st row, Linda Valentino, Sue Toomey, Annette Grainy, Terri Laney, Michele Hurney, Connie Rouse, Patty Tilley, Ruth Redshaw, Janice Miller, Maureen Yazvac, Diana Wilhelm, Kitty Lutz. 2nd row, Jody Punturi, Sam Pirozzi, Joe Stockman, Jack Stoner, Ed McQuade, Lee Sahene, Steve Aubele, Bob Bodenlos, Mr. Bober-Sponsor, 3rd row, Tom Kozusko, Louie Cicero, Mike Ursiny, Marty Byrne, Chuck Konop, Andy Spero, Joe Welsh, Vaughn Hempfield, Brian Fisher, Phil Gibson, Anthony Katilius.





# Roll those presses!



First Amendment Editors

Lining the highway of our school years are the billboards of the FIRST AMENDMENT which inform and give us direction. The billboards concern school and public issues, club events, sports news, editorials, revues, special events, and achievements made by students outside the classroom environment.

The editors are in a constant race to inform and bring vital matters to the attention of the faculty and student body as they travel down the highway. With vivid pictures, the billboards also bring to life the entertaining memories of once in a life-time experiences. Creative writing with a personal touch is the key to the success and popularity of Swissvale's award winning paper the FIRST AMENDMENT.



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Delisi. Top row; Kitty Lutz, Mike Ursiny-Editor, Sandy Noey.



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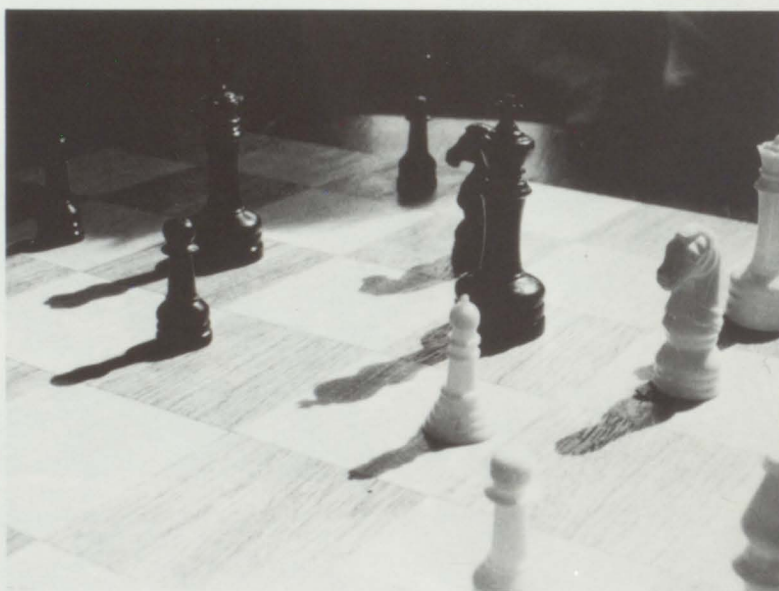




Chess Club, standing: Dave Artim, Dan Thompson, Mr. Holt; Advisor, John Dorr. Seated: Tom Pearson, Kevin Gribben, John Kosher, Greg Smith.

## The crew that makes the moves.

Moving on in the right direction are the members of Swissvale's Chess Club. The members of this job can't afford any rusty gears in a game which requires a maximum amount of concentration and skill. Meeting twice a week, during lunch period, they tax their brains in a never ending race to improve their game. With Mr. Holt's guidance the Chess Club not only has competitive matches among its members but it also travels to other high schools seeking competition for its outstanding members.



Your Move?





Library Club, top L-R; Margie Matta, Jackie Sasso, Karen Goodfellow, Cindy Falck, Kathy Jackson, Sherry Payne, Marybeth Logan, 2nd row, Mrs. Plutto-Sponsor, Cindy Hartwick, Michele Metro, Veronica Murray, Donna Nadzum, Annette Shockling. Seated; Ed Brinkley, Donna Olinger.

# Bookin on down the road.

The inspectors of Swissvale are the library aides, they organize the maps, book, magazines, and records which enable the students of Swissvale to become more educated about the roads they will be traveling later in life.

These inspectors give a sort of conformity to the library material, by volunteering their free time to work in the library. By sacrificing their time they are eligible to become a member of the Library Club and travel the route which leads to field trips, banquets, and dances.

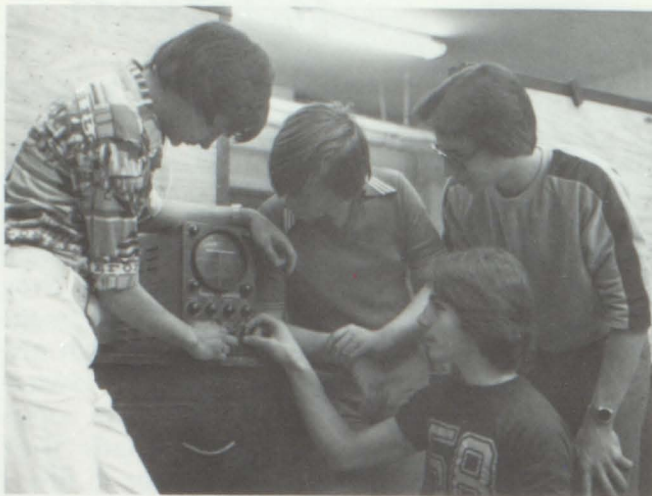


Library Aides, Top R-L, Donna Nadzum, Veronica Murray, Karen Goodfellow, Greg Smith, Sherri Payne, 2nd row, Margie Matta, Cindy Hartwick, Ed Brinkley. 3rd row; Jackie Sasso, Michele Metro, Juli Scarano, Cindy Falck, Donna Olinger, Debbie McCready, Annette Shockling, Marybeth Logan, Mrs. Plutto-Sponsor, Kathy Jackson.



Officers, Seated; L-R, Darlene Cramer-Treas., Donna Nadzum-Pres., Cindy Hartwick-Sec., Mrs. Plutto-Sponsor, Veronica Murray-V-Pres., Michele Metro-V-Pres., Anthony Katilius-Pub.





Testing, testing 1,2,3!!



You'll get a charge from Electric Shop!

The Electric Shop is on the move combining the currents of A.C. and D.C. to produce shocking projects. The class meets for two periods per day designing, creating, renovating, and studying electrical projects which develop their talents and skills in electrical wiring. This class provides students with a strong foundation and actual application of their skills making for a strong career in the realm of electrical circuitry.



The senior members of Electric Shop.

## Crossing wires in electric shop





Bob Bodenlos swings into action.



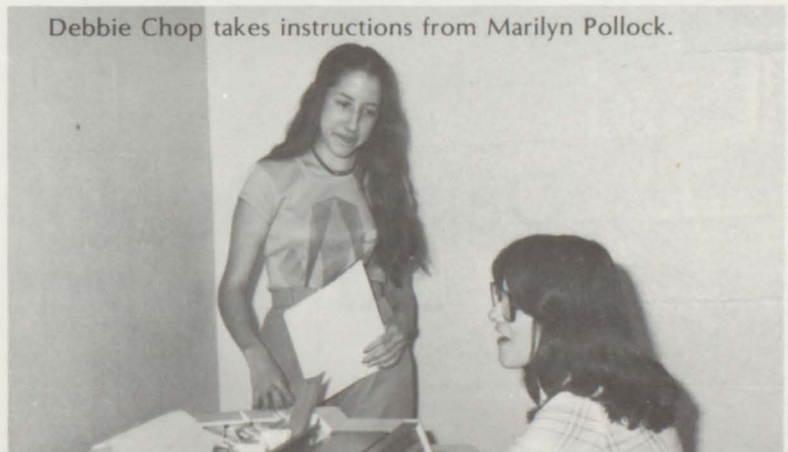
Sophomores display their tree proudly.



Dave Artim and Tom Pearson figure out a problem.



The Juniors add the finishing touches to their tree.



Debbie Chop takes instructions from Marilyn Pollock.





Patty rings the bell that starts the chase.



Miss Mularkey thinks sign printing is a big pain in the "neck"!



Sandy does it on the dance floor...



Randy and David seem to enjoy being "hooked".



So this is where the "Kool" gang hands out!

Daisy Mae got her man,  
did you get yours?





Ms. Pope and assistants think of starting a cooking school.



Ella boogaloes to the music.



Jerry and Barb enjoy the wedding feast.



Shhh- someone told her she could dance, don't ruin it!



But Ma, I'm not really married.



What do you mean "OBEY"





# ZAP'EM



Take care of the minutes,  
the hours will take care of themselves.  
— Chesterfield









# Homecoming '77

## A fantasy for all



Homecoming Queen, Isabel Berthold with her escort, Barry Gibson.

Let's start the parade!



1977 Homecoming Queen — Miss Isabel Berthold.

Winner of the float contest — Class of '79.







The 1977 Homecoming Court and their escorts.

# as Flashes roll over Raiders 39-12



Clowns give a cheerful air to the homecoming parade.  
Below: The bonfire raised everyone's spirit.

The spark that lights the blaze.



A kiss of joy.





Amid the frosty sensation of the autumn air, sparks danced and illuminate the skyline, as the Thursday night bonfire drove the spirits of the team and fans increasingly higher. Fantasy and frolic graced the streets of Swissvale as Mother Goose came to life in fairy tales of our class floats.

The Flashes football team ignited enthusiasm throughout the crowd as they victoriously held Waynesburg to a score of 26-12. Half-time displayed the homecoming court in all its regal splendor. Apprehension was abundant in the air as the final moment drew near; at last there boomed over the loud speaker "The 1977 Homecoming queen Miss Isabel Berthold". Torrents of tears streamed down her ecstatic face as her fairy tale became reality. The trip to fantasy land came to a close as couples danced to the sound of Spectrum playing the theme song "I Just Want to be Your Everything." Who says fairy tales never come true. For Isabel and her court, fairy tales are woven from tearful memories of magic moments like Swissvale's 1977 Homecoming.



Sophomore Class Float; Humpty Dumpty.



Parade participants in "Four-Four" time!





Homecoming Court; (L-R) Patty Tilley, Mary Jo Emanuel, Eleanor Hren, Sandy Marney, Isabel Berthold-Queen, Patty Elko, Sandy Boros, Annette Grainy, Sherri Payne.



Above, Pre-Parade preparations. Right; Homecoming Queen Isabel Berthold and escort Barry Gibson.

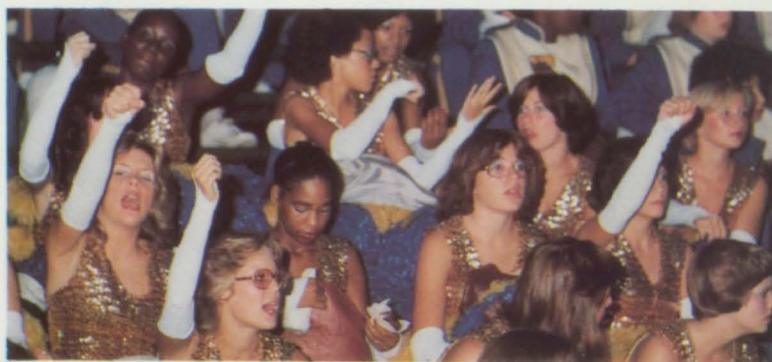






1977 Swissvale Area High School Gold Flashes Marching Band, Colorguard and Drill Team under the direction of Mr. Harry Stephens  
Drill team lends a cheer of support during a Flashes scoring drive.

Band wagon  
purrs tunes  
of "Rocky"  
and "Send in  
the Clowns"



Colorguard gets ready for a parade march.







and assistant Mr. Nick Figel.



Drill team Captain, Alanda Rice, heads in the salute to Swissvale.



Dave Arthrell demonstrates his drumming skills.



The band sets the beat for the Homecoming Parade.



# Gold and blue moving through

The Swissvale Area Colorguard under the construction of Henry Soul is better known as the fan belt of the halftime engine. It's bright blue and gold colors keep this fan belt on the move. The mechanics which keep the fan belt in check are Captain, Senior Sandy Boros and Co-Captain, Junior Caren Smith.



Stepping with the music.

Below: We've got that magic spirit.





# Moving to the music



The Swissvale Area Drill Team under the construction of Pam Askew, Captain Alanda Rice, & Co-Cap. Marybeth Logan is another group of talented mechanics. The drill team is the carburetor of the half-time engine enabling things to run smoothly in the flashing blue and gold.

Senior Drill Team Members; (L-R), Kathy Jackson, Marybeth Logan-Co-Captain, Alanda Rice-Captain, Jessie Nowlin, Darlene Cramer.

Drill Team; Front (L-R), Georgianne Keches, Bernadette Pehl, Kathy Jackson, Lynn Buck Kathy Bilecky. 2nd row; Luanne Russo, Cathy Fazio, Gina Saccamango, Alanda Rice-Captain, Sharon O'Mara, Nancy LoPresti, Becky Pehl, 3rd row; Linda Johnson, Jackie Nesby, Jessie Nowlin, Marybeth Logan-Co-Captain, Vicki Wildaeur, Darlene Cramer, Beverly Jackson.





## We're moving on with a flashes convoy!

The Swissvale Area High School has the front door opened on their convoy with the spirited Flashes Cheerleaders. The cheerleaders are also the fuel which powers the various teams of our convoy. With their winning checkered flag, carried over from this past summer's cheerleading competition they add a personal touch and fever to their cheers and antics.



Cheerleaders: 1st row, (L-R); Mary Jo Emanuel, Sandy Marney, Ms. Pope — Sponsor, Ruth Redshaw, Donna Porter. 2nd row, Annette Grainey, Kathy Yazvac. 3rd row, Patti Tilley, Connie Rouse, Joanne Gigliotti. Top right, Betsy Cherry.

Sandy and Connie are psyched for the game.



Cheerleaders: Top (L-R), Kathy Yazvac, Donna Porter, Connie Rouse — Captain, Joanne Gigliotti, Betsy Cherry. Bottom, Ruth Redshaw.





SENIOR CHEERLEADERS; (L-R) Annette Grainey, Mary Jo Emanuel, Connie Rouse-Captain, Sandy Marney, Patty Tilley.



1977-1978 Cheerleading Captain, Connie Rouse.

CHEERLEADERS; Splits (L-R) Kathy Yazvac, Ruth Redshaw. 1st row: Joanne Gigliotti, Donna Porter, Annette Grainey, Betsy Cherry, Patty Tilley. Top: Connie Rouse-Captain, Sandy Marney, Mary Jo Emanuel.











Sports are the routes which mesh the mind and body. Athletes battle to conquer the cries of pain sent by their mind in an endeavor to rebuild the engine of their bodies.

The spectators escape through this route as they watch rivals unfold the highway drama which eventually leads to a mountain of victory or a pitfall of defeat.



# SPORTS



# Gridders in gear break through for a 4 - 5 - 1 season



1977 Co-captains Dave Walendziewicz and Sam Pirozzi with Head Coach Mr. Mele.

Mr. Stockman booms cannon after another Flashes score.

Vaughn Hempfield shows restraint in heat of battle.







Varsity team. First row, L-R, Kurt Lavrinc, Pat Smith, Conrad Colaric, Sam Pirozzi, Dave Walendziewicz, Joe Stockman, Ken Moore, Bob Yeager, Ron Papula. 2nd row, Bob Lybarger, Assistant Equipment Manager, Greg Mondry, Eugene Ingram, Vernon Irvin, Moses Murray, Jim McGough, Chuck Konop, Eric Oliver, Marty Byrne, Phil Gibson, Joe Esposito, Bob Fillipino, Jim Escher, George Geller. 3rd row, Mr. Lybarger, Equipment Manager, Head Coach Mele, Jack Flaherty, Bill Wroblewski, Mike Smith, Steve Wood, Tad Pukansky, Dave Henry, Ross Montalbano, Ross Arnold, Doug Eiseman, Dennis Walendziewicz, Jack Stoner, Mark Campasano, Don Slabe, Joe Welsh, Coach Suvak, Coach Cloherty, 4th row, John Geller, Coach Cecil, Coach Persin, Pat Rock, Rich Falck, Rich Trunzo, Vaughn Hempfield, Jim Smith, Ray Voelker, Ed Campbell, Ty Stuller, Pete Werts, Joe Donatelli, Coach Rocco.



The Flashes defense in action.



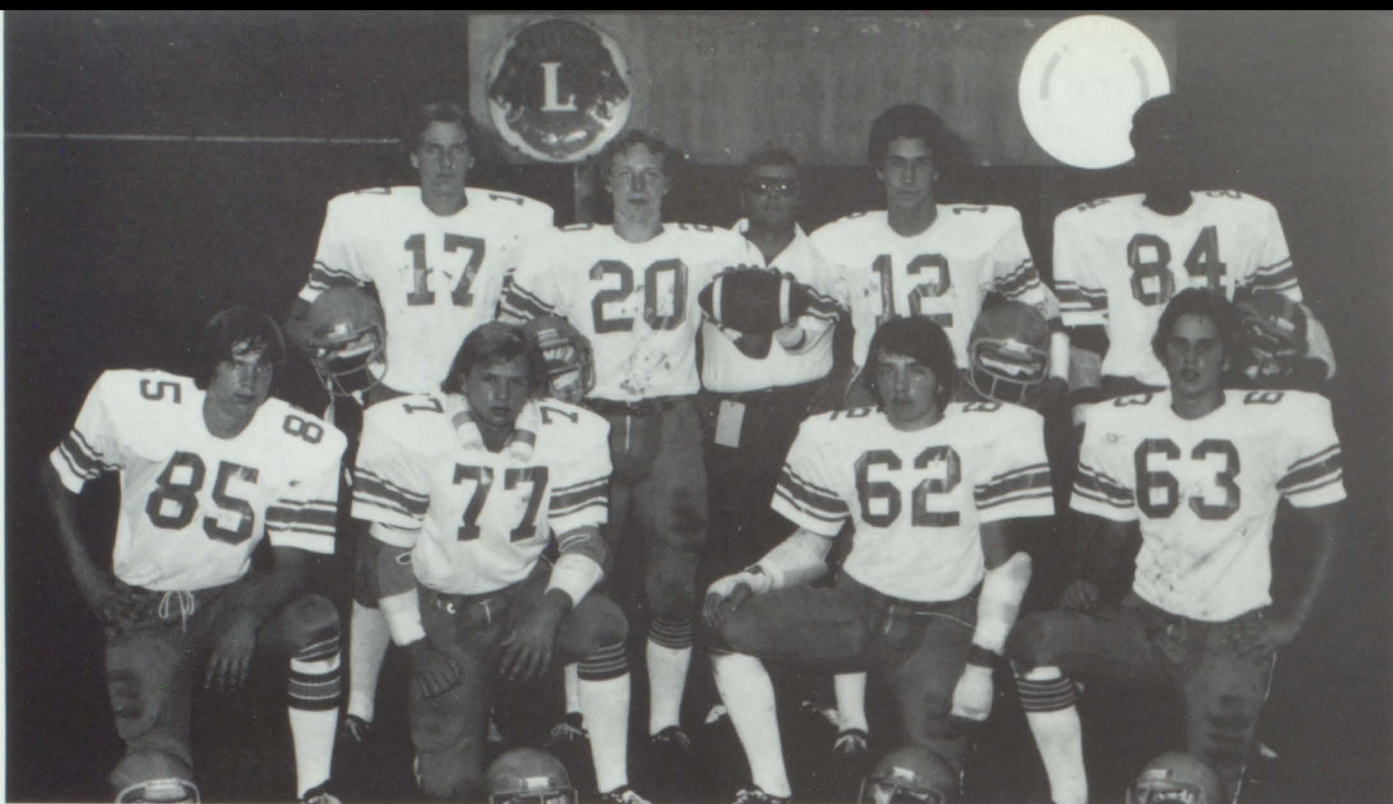
Flashes stop an Avonworth threat for a 32 - 6 win.

Quarterback Pirozzi runs option for big yardage against Waynesburg.

Eric "Chipper" Oliver runs around end.







Seniors Kneeling, L-R, Pat Smith, Dave Walendziewcz, Joe Stockman, Ron Papula. Standing: Kurt Lavrinc, Conrad Colaric, Head Coach Mele, Sam Pirozzi, Jerry Smith.



The team gathers around Head Coach Mele.



Jerry Smith is tackled after hauling in a pass against Turtle Creek.



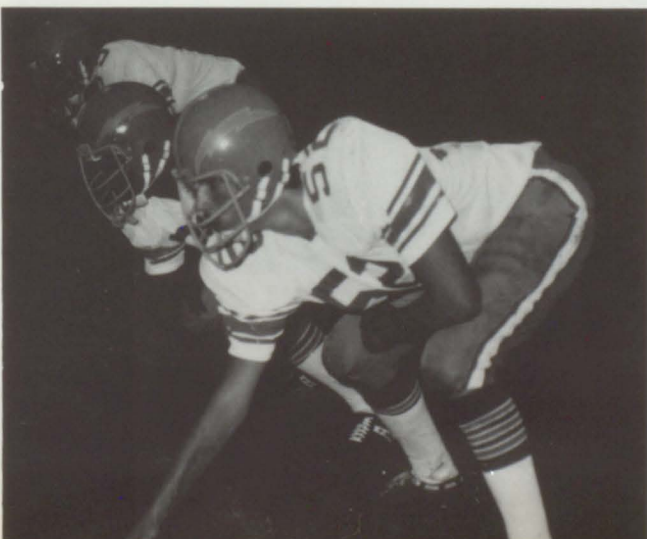


1977 Coaching Staff, kneeling Mr. Cloherty, Assistant Mr. Mele Head Coach, Mr. Rocco, Junior High Assistant. Standing, Mr. Persin, Mr. Cecil, Assistant, Mr. Suvak, Junior High Head Coach.



Managers, Front R-L: Bob Lybarger, Assistant Equipment Manager, Jack Flaherty, Mr. Lybarger, Equipment Manager, Mike Mrazik, Joe Welsh, 2nd row, George Geller, Paul Wisnewski, Al Rousseau, Randy Rocco.

Joe Esposito prepares to center the ball.



Coach Mele and Moses Murray talk over strategy.

The Flashes football team are the big rigs which enable the convoy to continue rolling down the road to a triumphant season. Without their hard driving, expert leadership, and team effort, the convoy would other wise be an unsuccessful unit.

By preparing for their journey early in August, they are able to map out plays, and suit up their rigs to create a convoy which will find the signs that lead to the winning highway.



# Go get 'em grapplers



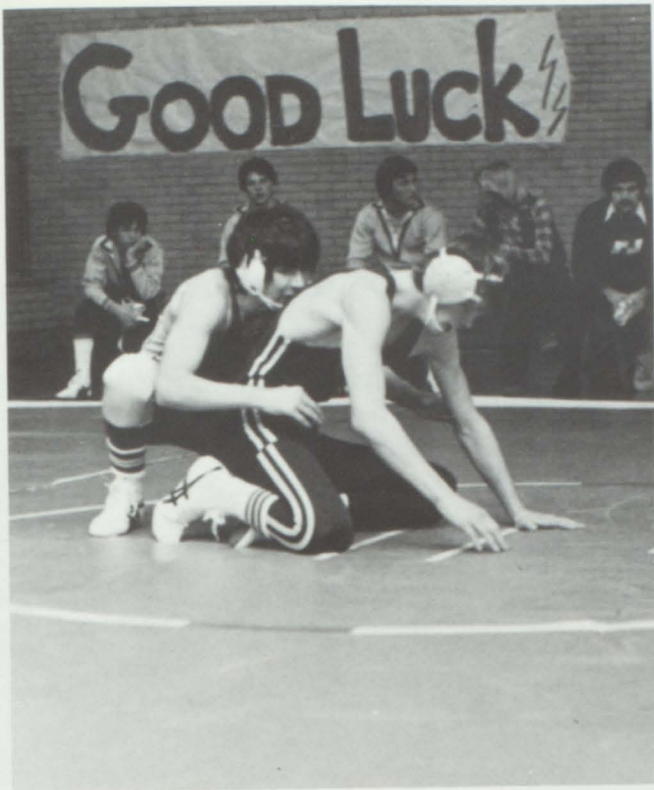
First Row: L-R Phil Gibson, Larry Hickman, Andy Spero, Andy Orfitelli, Lee Sahene, Sheldon Stoudemire, Coach: Tim Bober. Second Row: Curtis James, Dave Walendziewicz, Tom Kozusko, Conrad Colaric, Mike Ursiny, Ed McQuade, Coach: Dan Zimmerman.

Rolling down the road of the 1978 schedule is the Flashes' wrestling team leaving their opponents in the dust. The road is a rough one with many dangerous curves but our wrestlers continue to leave their tire tracks on each opponent. The team proves to be one of the very best in the four year history of wrestling at Swissvale Area High School. With the team's strenuous practice to develop their grappling skills they repeatedly rack up the win, mapping out a very impressive record. The team owes its success to the boys talent and self-discipline to sacrifice their favorite treats and take on the one on one loneliness of the mats.



HONK! HONK!





Ed, Control Yourself!



GET EM'!!



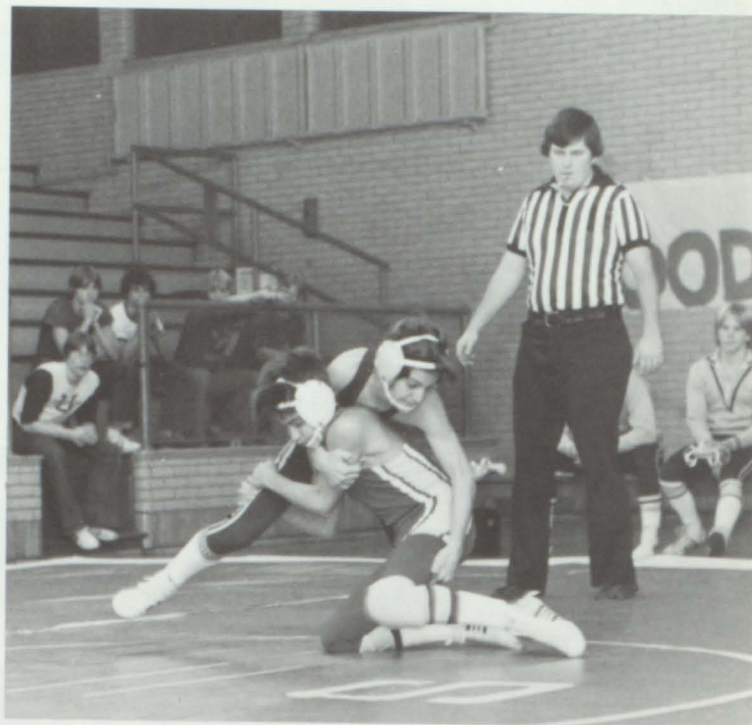
Tom shows us the latest dance step.



Conrad overpowers his opponent.

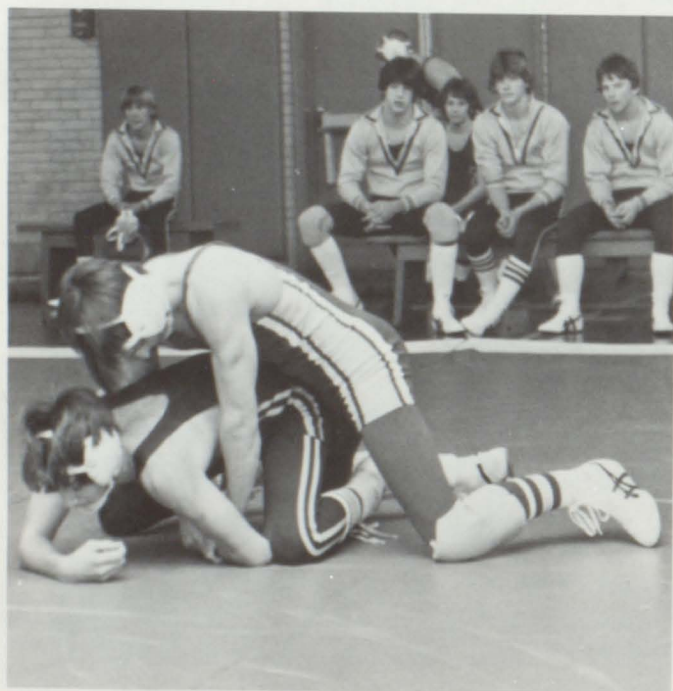


Please let go!

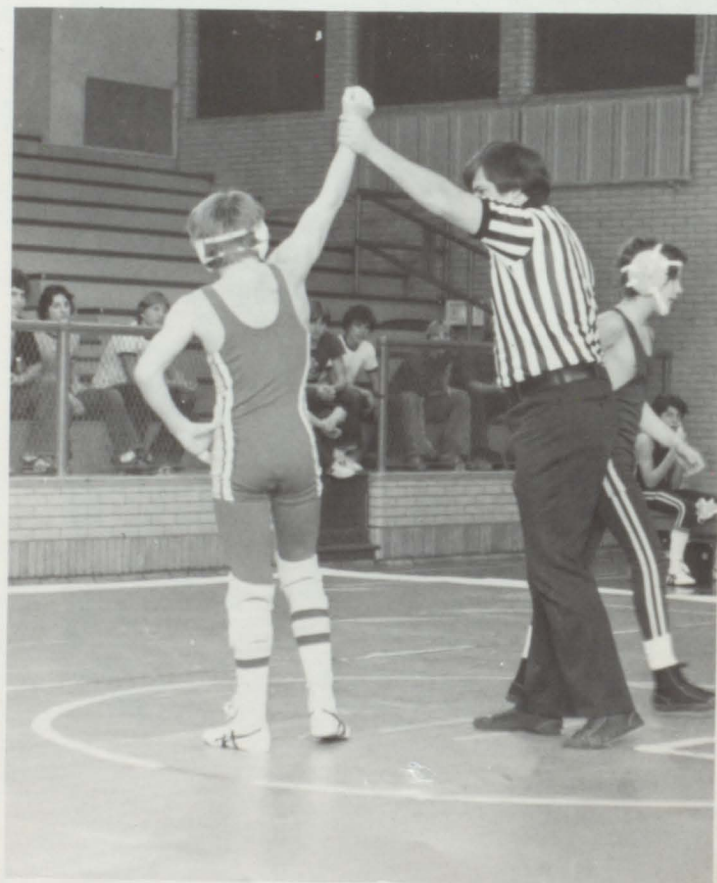


Hang on Kevin!!!

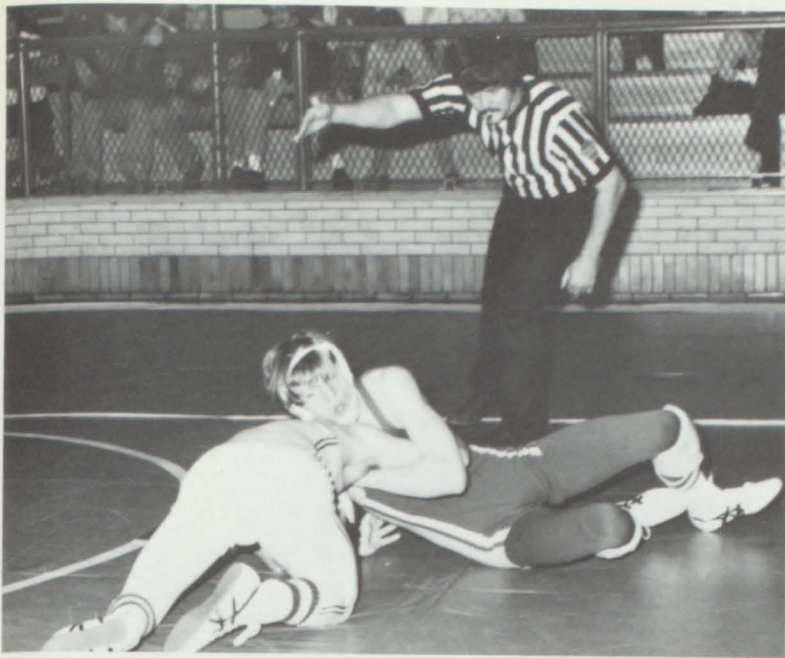
And the winner is . . .



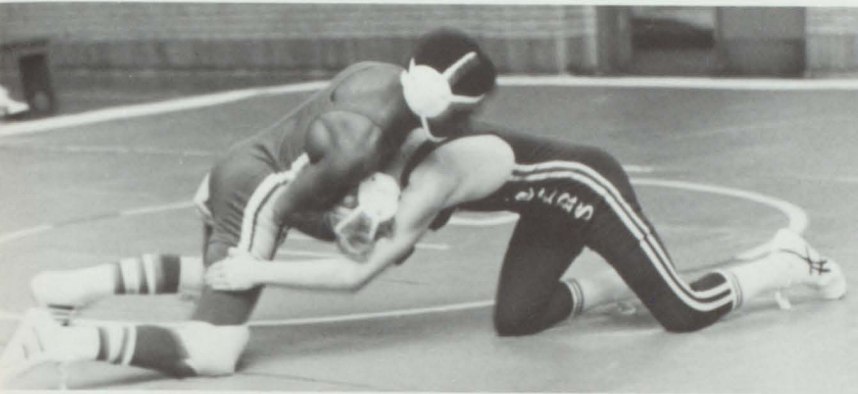
Get on Down . . .







Above: Phil fights for control.



Above: Larry's a real lifter! Below: Muscle your way out.



Above: We know your number "1".



Below: The team limbers up before a match.





# The Flashes' Female Spikers.



Varsity, Kneeling, L-R: Linda Donatelli, Terri Laney, Maureen Yazvac. Standing: Kitty Lutz, Diane Wilhelm, Michelle Hurney, Sue Toomey, Veronica Murray, Coach Olson.



The team receives last minute advice from Coach Olson



Varsity action in a game against Springdale.





J.V. Squad, Kneeling L-R, Pam Konop, Theresa Petrina, Carol Burns, Sandy Noey, Standing: Cheryl Lavrinc, Cathy Stoner, Jeffrie Joynt, Maureen Duncan, Coach Olson.



Terri Laney serves against Springdale.



Sue Toomey returns the serve.



# Hoopers struggle in '78 season



VARSITY, L-R: Randy Rocco, Joe Welsh, Doug Gilbert, Tom Hempfield, Dick Lander, Lamar Crowe, Lou Cicero, Coach O'Reilly, Jerry Smith, Sam Pirozzi, Brian Fisher, Vaughn Hempfield, Doug Eiseman, Jack Flaherty.

1978 Flashes basketball team started the season with some hesitation but with their engines now in overdrive the signs point to a promising season. When the opponent is tailgating, the Flashes accelerate and dazzle the spectators with their expert ball handling. Under the coaching of Mr. O'Reilly the young reinforcements and the seasoned underclassmen will turn the headlights on to a new road of potential for Swissvale Area High School.



Coach O'Reilly talks things over with the team.





Doug Eiseman (34) battles for the ball while Jim Alm (50) and Lamar Crowe (40) come to his aid.



A Flashes' practice session.



SENIORS, L-R: Brian Fisher, Dick Lander, Tom Hempfield, Jerry Smith, Sam Pirozzi, Coach O'Reilly.





J.V. First Row, l-r: Pete Werts, John Clements, Andy Orfitelli, Second Row: Scott Hood, John Soderburg. Third row: Randy Rocco, Doug Eiseman, Lamar Crowe, Vaughn Hempfield, Jack Flaherty, Coach O'Reilly.



Doug Gilbert sets up the play.

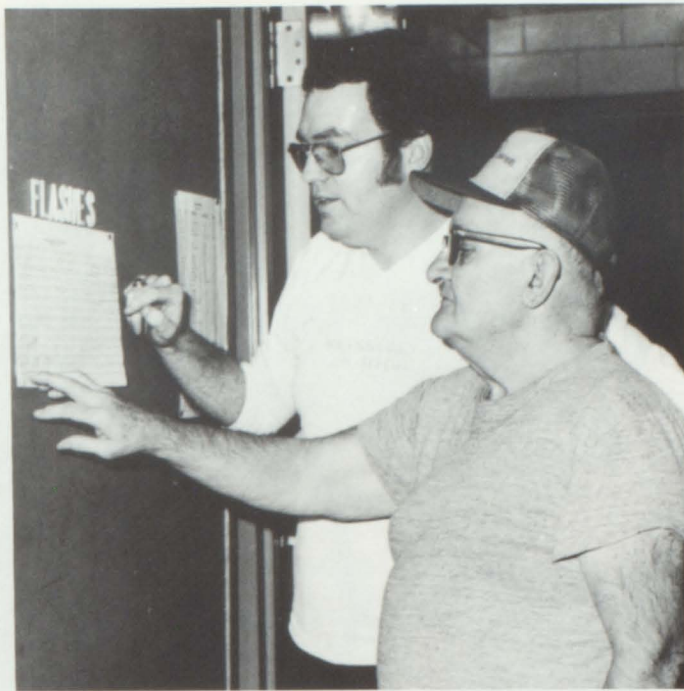


MANAGERS, L-R: Randy Rocco, Joe Welsh, Carl Sudyk, Jack Flaherty.

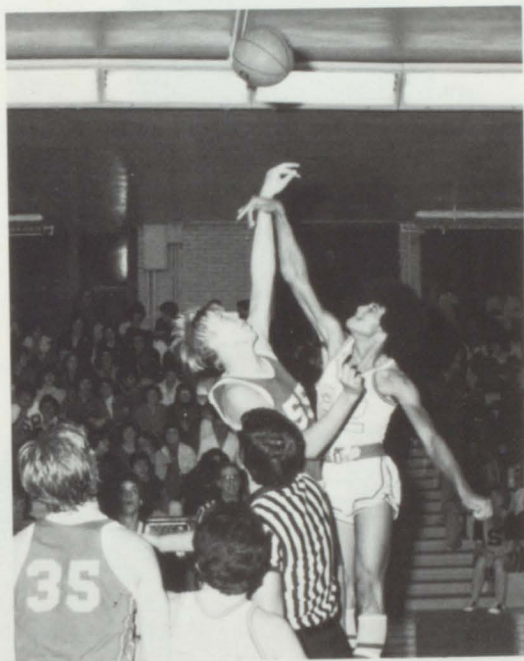




Lou Cicero (32) goes up for a lay-up.



Coach O'Reilly and Mr. Lybarger, equipment manager, look over the league schedule.



Vaughn Hempfield wins the jump ball.



Doug Gilbert (14) shoots a foul shot.



# Girls dribble into action



Varsity: first row L-R: Michelle Hurney, Terri Laney. Second row L-R: Veronica Murray, Diane Wilhelm, Alanda Rice, Sue Toomey, Coach Olson



Sue Toomey dribbles around the defense.



Linda Valentino makes her way up court.





Linda Valentino shoots a free throw.



Senior players Terri Laney, Veronica Murray, Michelle Hurney, Susan Toomey, and Alanda Rice.



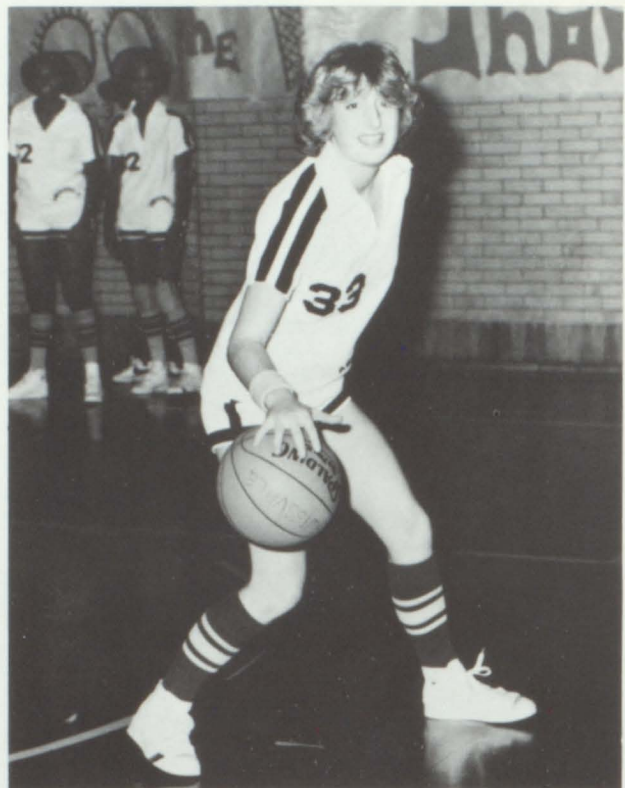
JV first row, L-R: Julie Siler, Nancy LoPresti, Angie Abbernate Second Row: Coach O'Keefe, Ella Chambers, Kim Ramsey, Linda Valentino, Mary Ann Carr, Elaine Matthews, Susan Alm.





Managers: Maureen Yazvac, Second Row: Sandy Noey Karen Kamauf, Jenny McBroom Third Row: Sandy Cosgrove, Coach Olson, Theresa Trojanowski.

Gears grind and tires spin when the Flashes girls basketball team take the court. The small but forceful team spend hours practicing and developing speed, finesse and agility in order to race their opponent to the very last scoring drive. Under the coaching of Janice Olson this enthusiastic team will continue to be steered down the road to a rewarding season.



Michelle Hurney warms up.



Mary Carr brings the ball up the court against Churchill.





Action in a game against Churchill.



Linda Valentino (54) battles for the rebound.



Alanda Rice (25) fails to control the jumpball.



Alanda practices her lay-ups.



# Golfers swing their way



Varsity Squad L-R, Brian Falk, Brian Fisher, Bob Bodenlos, Tom Kozusko, Coach Shields, Lee Sahene.

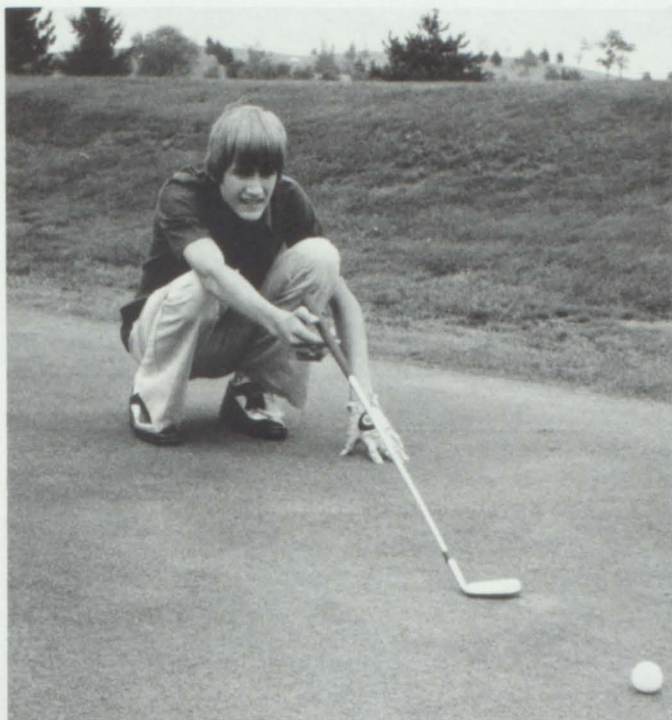
The Flashes Golf Team travel the highways and by ways of Western Pennsylvania competing in matches with various other high schools in the area. This convoy of athletes display their skills not so much on the highway of a playing field or court but on the silence of the green. Driving to a very respectable record of 7-3 under the helpful guidance of coach John Shields they prove to be a sportsman like team to be reckoned with in years to come.



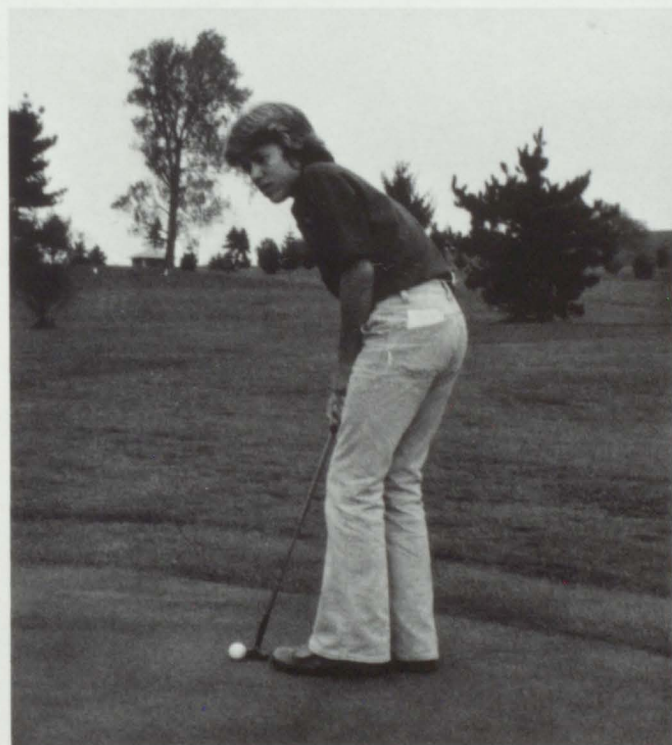
Brian Fisher marks down another birdie.



to best season ever.



Bob Bodenlos lines up the putt.



Lee Sahene prepares to putt.



Seniors: Brian Fisher, Bob Bodenlos, standing, Tom Kozusko.



Brian Falk on the course.





Mr. Keener's Cougars



Mr. Bober's Buicks





Mrs. Christ's Chryslers



Mr. Carlburg's Cadilliacs







Mr. Biesecker's Bobcats



Mrs. Pfeiffer's Polaras





Mr. Persin's Plymouth's







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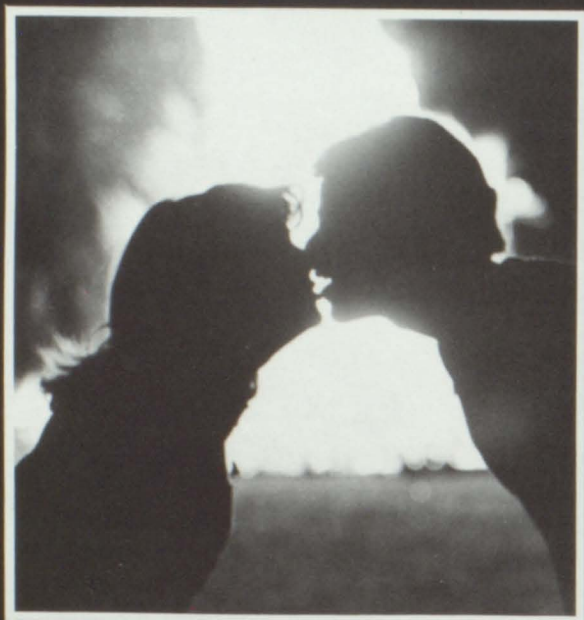


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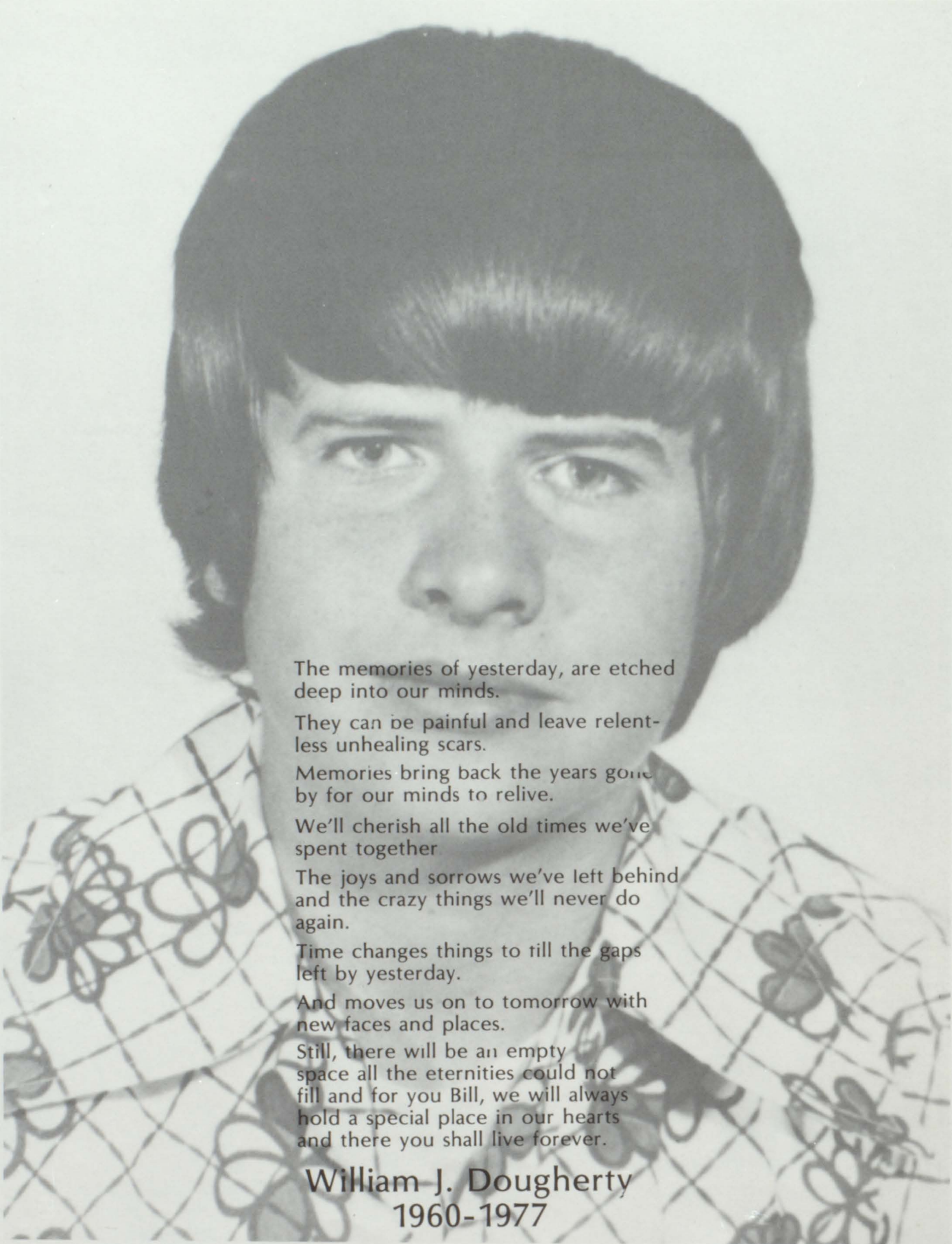
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The memories of yesterday, are etched  
deep into our minds.

They can be painful and leave relent-  
less unhealing scars.

Memories bring back the years gone  
by for our minds to relive.

We'll cherish all the old times we've  
spent together.

The joys and sorrows we've left behind  
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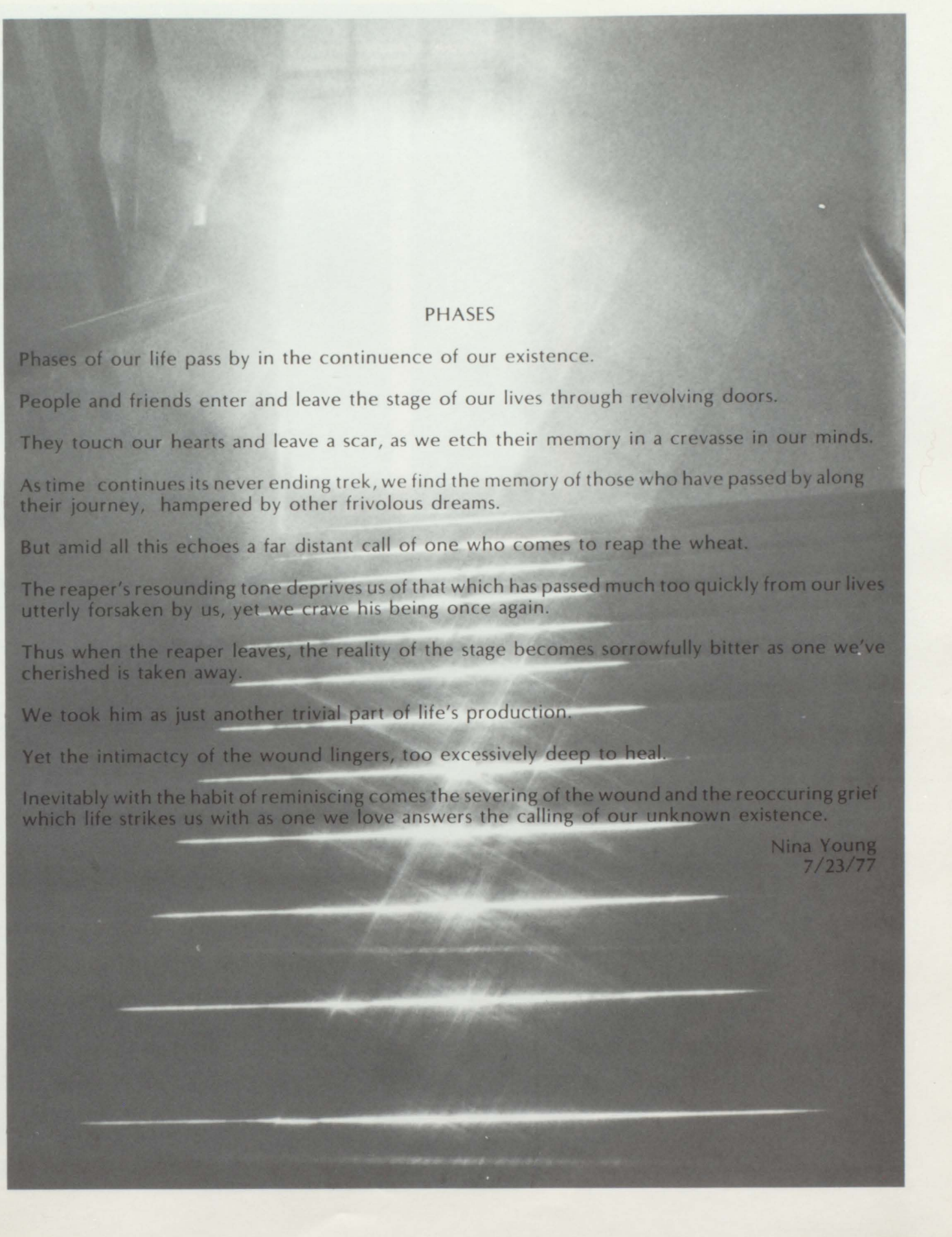
Time changes things to fill the gaps  
left by yesterday.

And moves us on to tomorrow with  
new faces and places.

Still, there will be an empty  
space all the eternities could not  
fill and for you Bill, we will always  
hold a special place in our hearts  
and there you shall live forever.

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## PHASES

Phases of our life pass by in the continuence of our existence.

People and friends enter and leave the stage of our lives through revolving doors.

They touch our hearts and leave a scar, as we etch their memory in a crevasse in our minds.

As time continues its never ending trek, we find the memory of those who have passed by along their journey, hampered by other frivolous dreams.

But amid all this echoes a far distant call of one who comes to reap the wheat.

The reaper's resounding tone deprives us of that which has passed much too quickly from our lives utterly forsaken by us, yet we crave his being once again.

Thus when the reaper leaves, the reality of the stage becomes sorrowfully bitter as one we've cherished is taken away.

We took him as just another trivial part of life's production.

Yet the intimactcy of the wound lingers, too excessively deep to heal.

Inevitably with the habit of reminiscing comes the severing of the wound and the reoccurring grief which life strikes us with as one we love answers the calling of our unknown existence.

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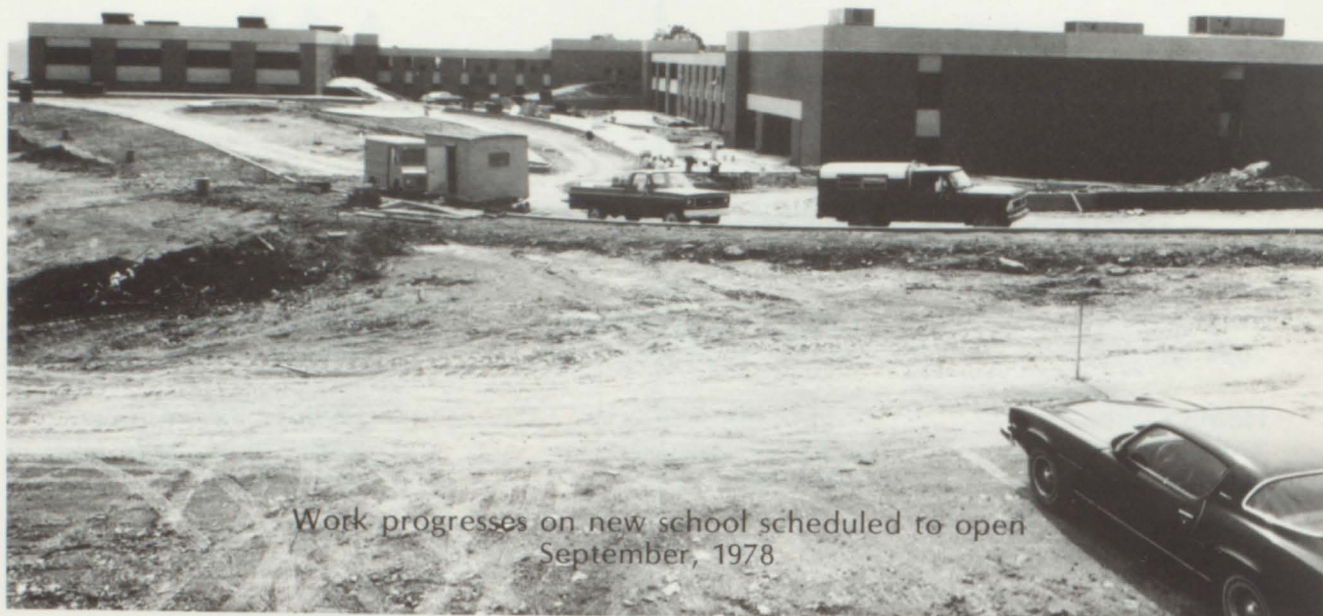
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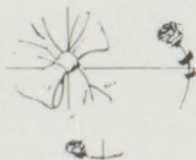
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Mr. Thomas instructs Charles Lawson.



Swissvale's future Prom Queen.



Hugh Hefner look what you're missin'



Barb Chachlas enjoys Parents' Night.



Coach said 1-minute naps are great, but this is ridiculous.

Keep it up Scott, the Steelers are low on Quarterbacks.





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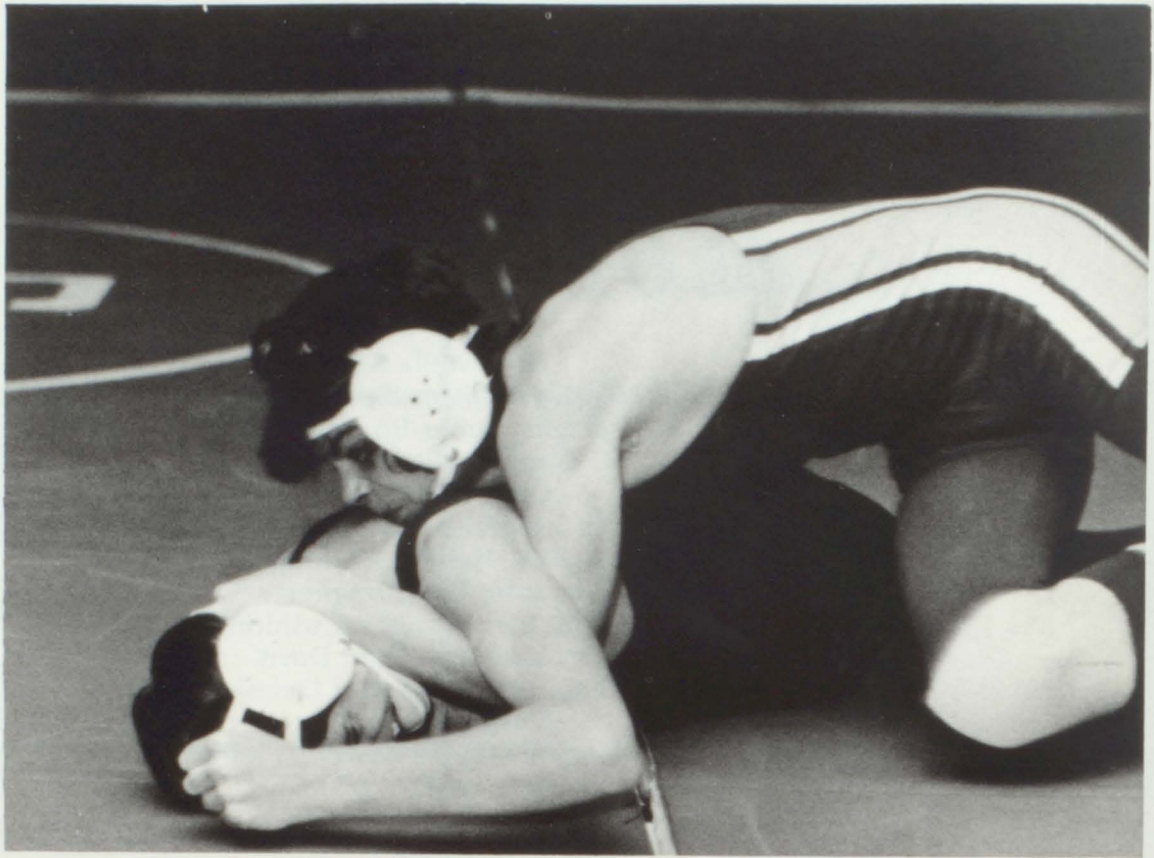




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Congratulates the graduates  
of  
1978





Raring to go!



Trail is going to miss Nanette.



## THE LAST TO GO

by Stanley Horton

Standing proudly at 1826 Monongahela Avenue is a building that is an important memory for thousands of people. This is the final closing for the fifty-seven year old structure. We, the 1978 upperclassmen, are the last to graduate. Every one of the 163 of us have fond memories. Remember how, as sophomores, we thought the upperclassmen were crazy? What about the clubs selling candy—were you in one of them? Or perhaps, you just ate the profits. Just look at all the talent that this school has housed. We have done our best at everything from football to the spring plays. We have made our mark. The Class of '78 will be the "last to go." May the future classes of the new SAHS continue to experience our up-front spirit and close friendships. Good luck and keep your head high!

Above: Sid is on the look-out. Below: The '78 SENIOR tree.







Above: Mr. Holt and his science research students experiment with a laser.



SENIOR, MARY WINTERMANTLE

Below: Parent's night activities for students.



Are you ready, Eddie?







The convoy is nearing the end, the trucks have been loaded with the memories and remnants of 1978. The seniors have passed this road each to branch off to a different route. Yet, before the "backdoor" of the convoy departs and time expires for this truckstop of Swissvale Area High School the last few memories and events of the prom, musical, graduation, sports, and Sweetheart Ball must be collected and loaded into the remaining trucks making the convoy complete. Each person takes from this building that which will make his life and dreams complete. For never again will the highway of our lives bring us to the doors of Swissvale Area High School.







Supplement





# Swissvale flashes keep



Varsity: 1st Row (L-R) Jim Alm, George Pippy, Sam Pirozzi, Conrad Colaric, Tom Kozusko, Joe Punturi. 2nd Row: Coach Biesecker, Vaughn Hempfield, Bob Portogallo, Lou Cicero, Dave MacMillian, Phil Gibson, Steve Aubele-Manager.



Sam Pirozzi leads the Flashes' attack.



George Pippy loosens up before the game.



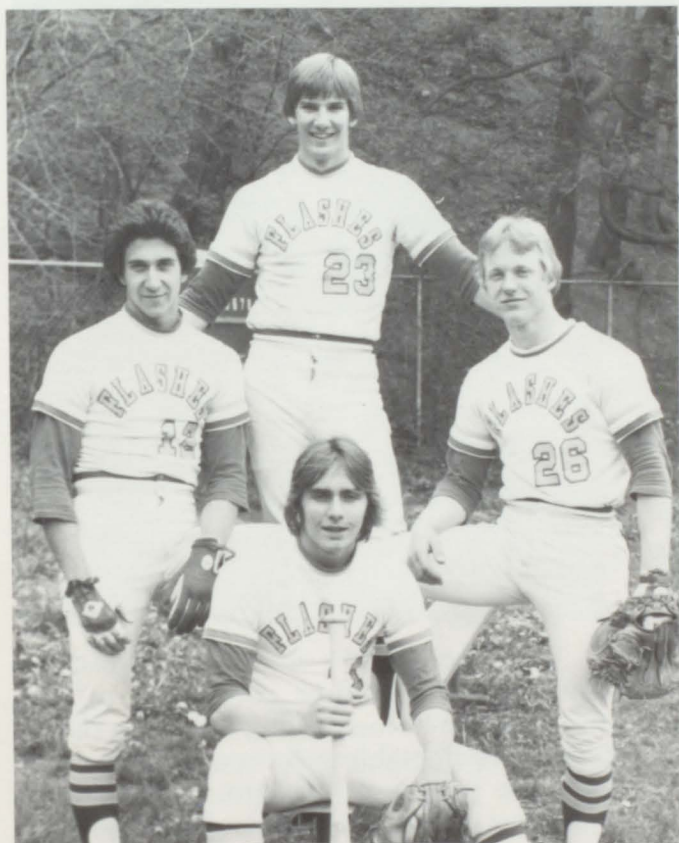
# on trucking



Conrad and Bob talk over strategy.



Coach Biesecker gives the team final instructions.



SENIORS Front: George Pippy. 2nd Row: Sam Pirozzi, Conrad Colaric. Back: Tom Kozusko.



Catcher Conrad Colaric warms up behind the plate.

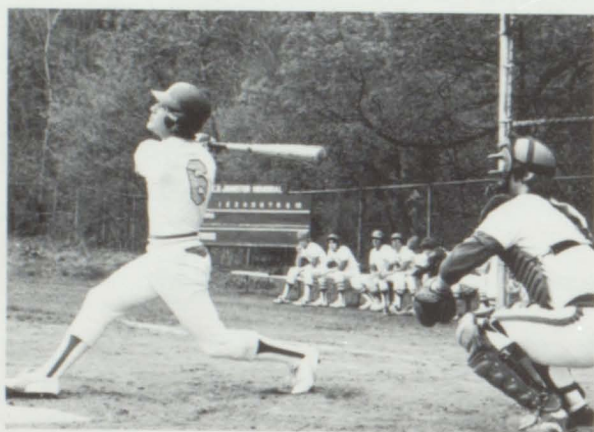




Joe Punturi throws to first while Bob Portogallo looks on.



Tom Kozusko warms up.



Joe Punturi swings for the stands.



The Flashes, Lou Cicero records another out.

Despite the extreme weather conditions of last spring and the lack of a home playing field, the Flashes finished with a respectable 8-8 record in a tough section 5. With the return of 7 lettermen, the Flashes should be in fine position to contend for sectional honors come the '79 season.



# Flashes' track team off



Track Team, Front; P. Werts, K. Joyce, B. Wagner, E. Emanuel, L. Hickman, C. Epps, B. Manning, D. Joyce, D. Petrarca, C. Gibson. 2nd Row; C. Konop, M. Byrne, C. Reaves, C. DiBernardo, C. Trunzo, A. Kent, L. Petrarca, D. Jackson, C. Rouse, M. Layton, E. Lynch, D. Lucas, W. Artuevich, G. Brunner. 3rd Row; Coach Cecil, M. Murray, J. Jackson, R. Arnold, A. Candiello, D. Shaffer, D. Yee, M. Harris, R. Lees, D. Gornic, K. MacArthur, G. Strutt, V. Irving, J. Smith, A. Porter, E. Brinkley, R. Voorhis, A. Salyes, Coach Carlburg.



Dan Gornic prepares to throw the javelin.



Aaron Salyes lets the shotput fly.

Although their records don't show it, the first year of track competition at Swissvale was very successful. The team gained much valuable experience and performed excellently for a first year team. With the returning lettermen and team spirit, they will be off and running in 1979.

and  
running





Girls Softball Team: Front; Kitty Lutz, Michelle Hurney, Carol Mihm, Sue Toomey, Terri Laney, Veronica Murray. 2nd Row: Pam Konop, Diana Wilhelm, Maureen Yazvac, Jan Miller. 3rd Row: Maureen Duncan, Cheryl Lavrinc, Diane Penrod, Laurie Fisher. 4th Row: Coach Maksimchuk, Cheryl Balkovech, Sandy Rocco, Patty Bye, Diane Clougherty, Sharon Kazimer, Ass. Coach Holt. 5th Row: Managers; Nina Young, Sammy Rocco, Amil Lucas, Randy Rocco, Debbie Smith

## Flashes in first gear win section title

The girls' softball team was just great this year but wait 'til next year. This years team had an undefeated season of 15-0 and had a single disappointing loss that prevented them from winning the state championship. Next season, with the entire infield returning, they're aiming for the State Title.

Patty pitches her heart out.







Oh, I wish they'd hit one out here!



Toomey warms up before the game.



Maureen makes the throw Below; Terri at the bat.



Senior Members: Front; Terri Laney. 2nd Row; Carol Mihm, Coach Maksimchuk, Asst. Coach Holt, Veronica Murray. 3rd Row; Kitty Lutz, Michelle Hurney, Sue Toomey.



Are you sure these are the right rules?





# Flashes are "set"



Tim Bazzone spikes in a game against Central Catholic.



Coach Persin talks things over with the Varsity.



Varsity, Front Kneeling: Keith Stewart, Brian Fisher, Greg Mondry. Rear: Tim Bazzone, Jerry Smith, Jim Ecsher, Coach Persin

This year's boys volleyball team was one of the best in the WPIAL. Some of the accomplishments of the team include a second place tournament finish at Plum, staying in contention until the last week of the season and establishing three new school records. "Senior members of the team were Brian Fisher, the best setter we ever had, Jerry Smith, who set new school records for kills, Keith Stewart, the record setter in serving percentage, and Tim Bazzone, one of the best all-around players to play the game at Swissvale," said Coach Ron Persin.



to go



Seniors, Kneeling: Keith Stewart, Brian Fisher, Jerry Smith.  
Standing: Coach Persin, Tim Bazzone



Brian Fisher sets the ball up for a kill.



JV Kneeling: Mark Evanchec, Andy Orfitelli, John Clemens, Mike Smith. Kilpatrick Mac Arthur, Ray McGough. Standing: Mike Oliveri Coach Persin, John Soderburg, Fred Smith.





Left: Kathi Burns—Queen  
Above: The royal procession marches on.

The 1978 Sweetheart Ball Court: standing (L-R); Isabel Berthold, Annette Grainey, Lisa Matthews, Patty Tilley, Lori Quinn—Junior princess, Robin Arnold—Junior princess, seated (L-R); Sandy Marney, Terri Laney, Kathi Burns—Queen, Dorothy Lander—Sophomore princess





# Sweethearts "Always And Forever"



Queen Kathi Burns and her escort Rocco Abernante.

The excitement, music and romance seemed to entrance the couples at the 1978 Sweetheart Ball.

The grand event, held at the Holiday House's Crystal Room on Feb. 11, exemplified the Valentine spirit as the couples danced to the music of Bandit and the theme song "Always and Forever"

Drawling to the climax of the evening, the annual coronation was performed.

Anticipation rose, followed by a flood of excitement as Kathi Burns was named the 1978 queen. Junior princess' were Robin Arnold and Lori Quinn with Dorothy Lander as sophomore princess.

Couples dance to music by Bandit.



Should I or shouldn't I?







Prom Court (L-R): Cathy Fazio, Carol Cushion, Kathy Oliveri, Cheryl Polovchik, Kathy Valko—Queen, Ruth Redshaw, Sharon O'Mara, Lori Quinn, Barb Hudale.

This is the moment you've all been waiting for, the 1978 Junior Prom Queen is Miss Kathy Valko! This announcement was made before many excited couples at the Braddock Hills Holiday Inn on May 20.

After this thrilling climax of the evening, dinner was served. Couples could choose from fried chicken, roast round of beef, broiled cod, rigatoni, assorted salads, vegetables, pudding, fruit tarts, rolls and butter, and an assortment of beverages.

For the remainder of the evening, couples danced to the music of "Ya-Ma-Ma."

At midnight, everyone had to leave. On the way out, they collected their souvenir brandy mugs and a box of candy.

Although Sunday was cold and overcast, many couples still headed for their favorite picnic grounds.



"Closer I get  
to you" at the 1978  
junior class prom







Cathy Fazio



Barbara Hudale



Carol Cushion



Ruth Redshaw



Kathy Valko



Lori Quinn

Cheryl Polovchik



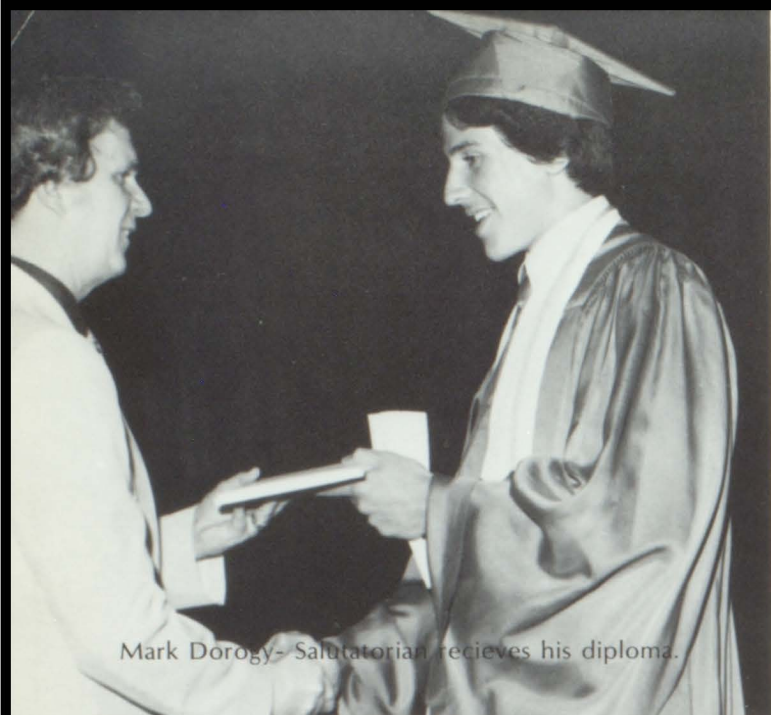
Kathy Oliveri



Sharon O'Mara







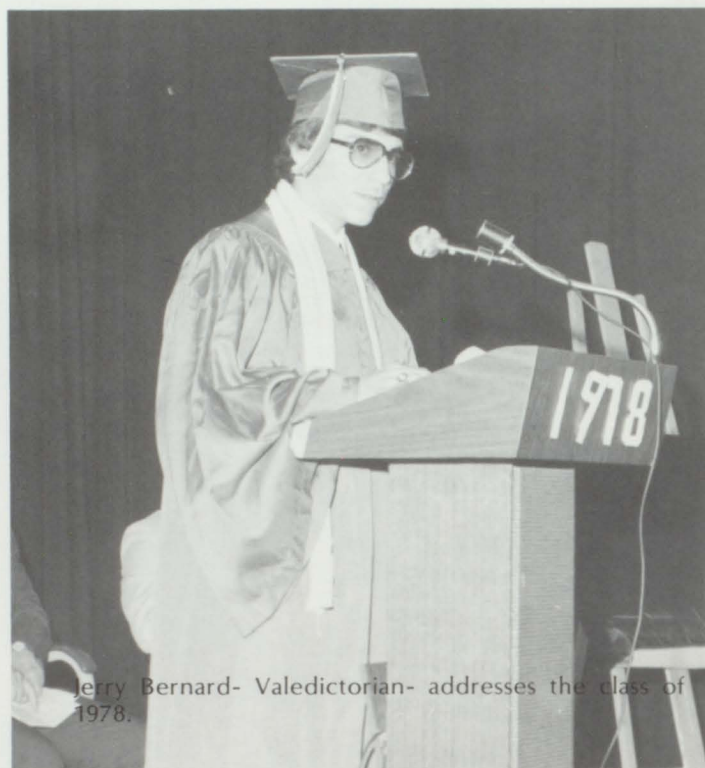
Mark Dorogy- Salutatorian receives his diploma.



Connie, Cindy, and Jackie ponder their next step.

## Moving towards their future

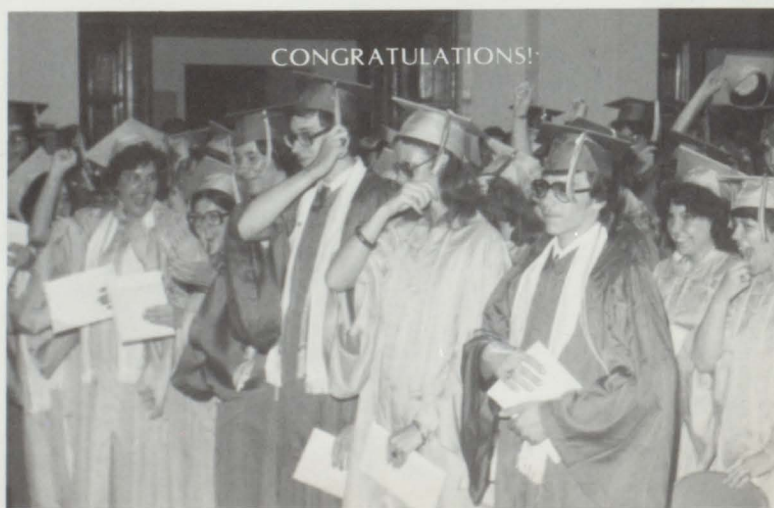
This describes the graduating class of 1978 from Swissvale High School. Even though the day was rainy and overcast, it didn't dampen their spirits. Everyone was anxious to get on with the final event of their high school years. Their convoy has finally ended, but only after 12 years of hard work and learning. Now they will take different exits to arrive on their own highway of life. This final ceremony, their graduation, will never be forgotten. Let's hope they remember those twelve years as well.



Jerry Bernard- Valedictorian- addresses the class of 1978.



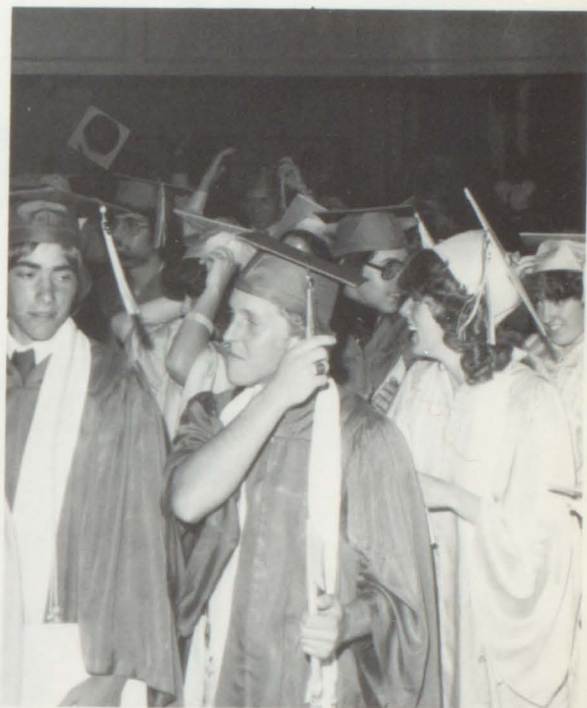
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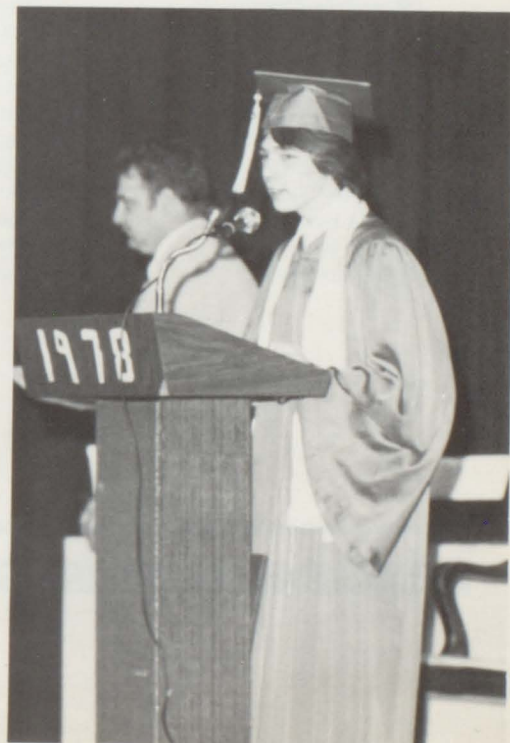
Above: Enthusiastic Seniors.



We made it!



Dave Kazimer-Senior Class President.





# High Honor Roll

Gerard Bernard  
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Rocco Abbenante  
David Kazimer  
Rose Provenzano  
Nina Young  
Marilyn Pollock

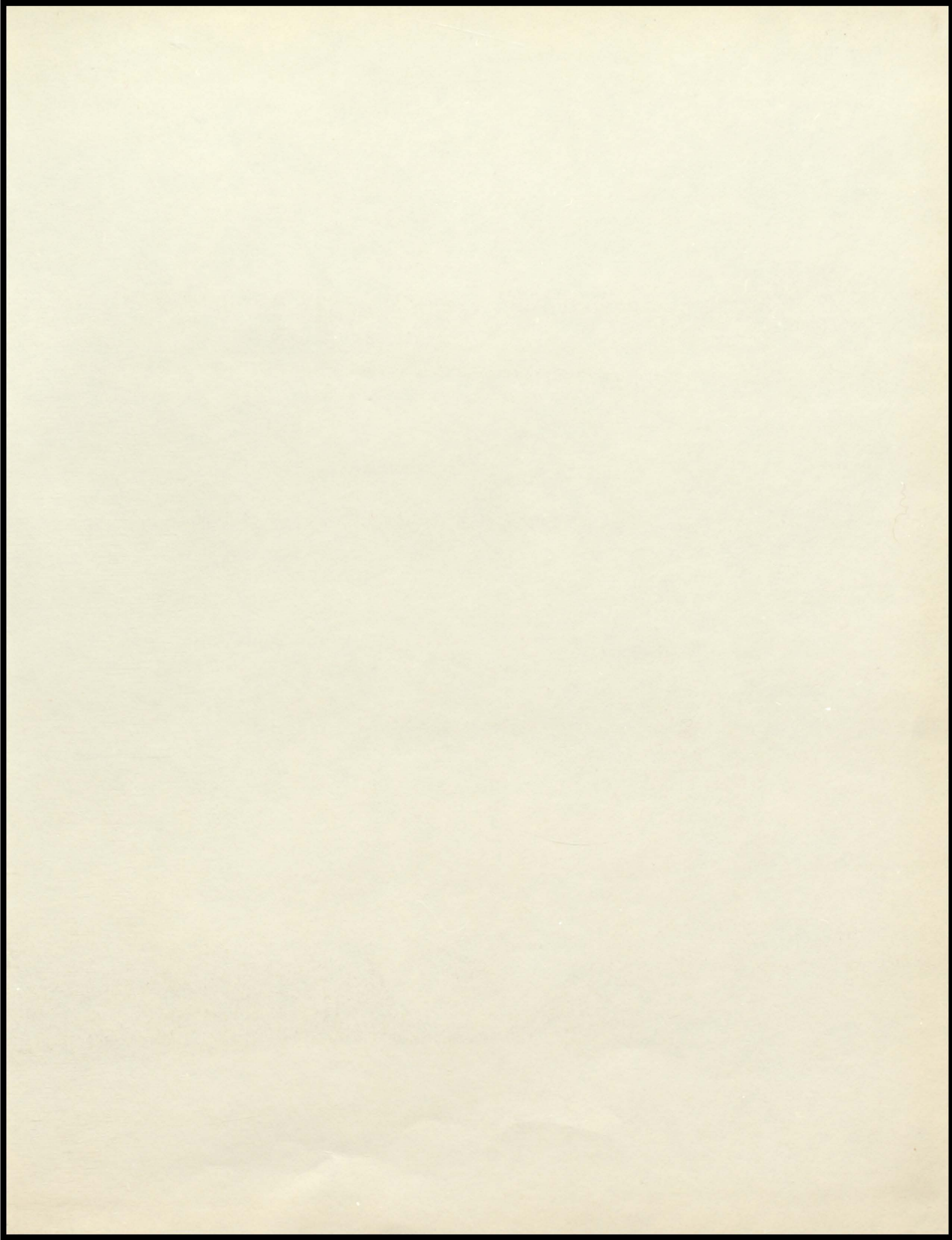
# Honor Roll

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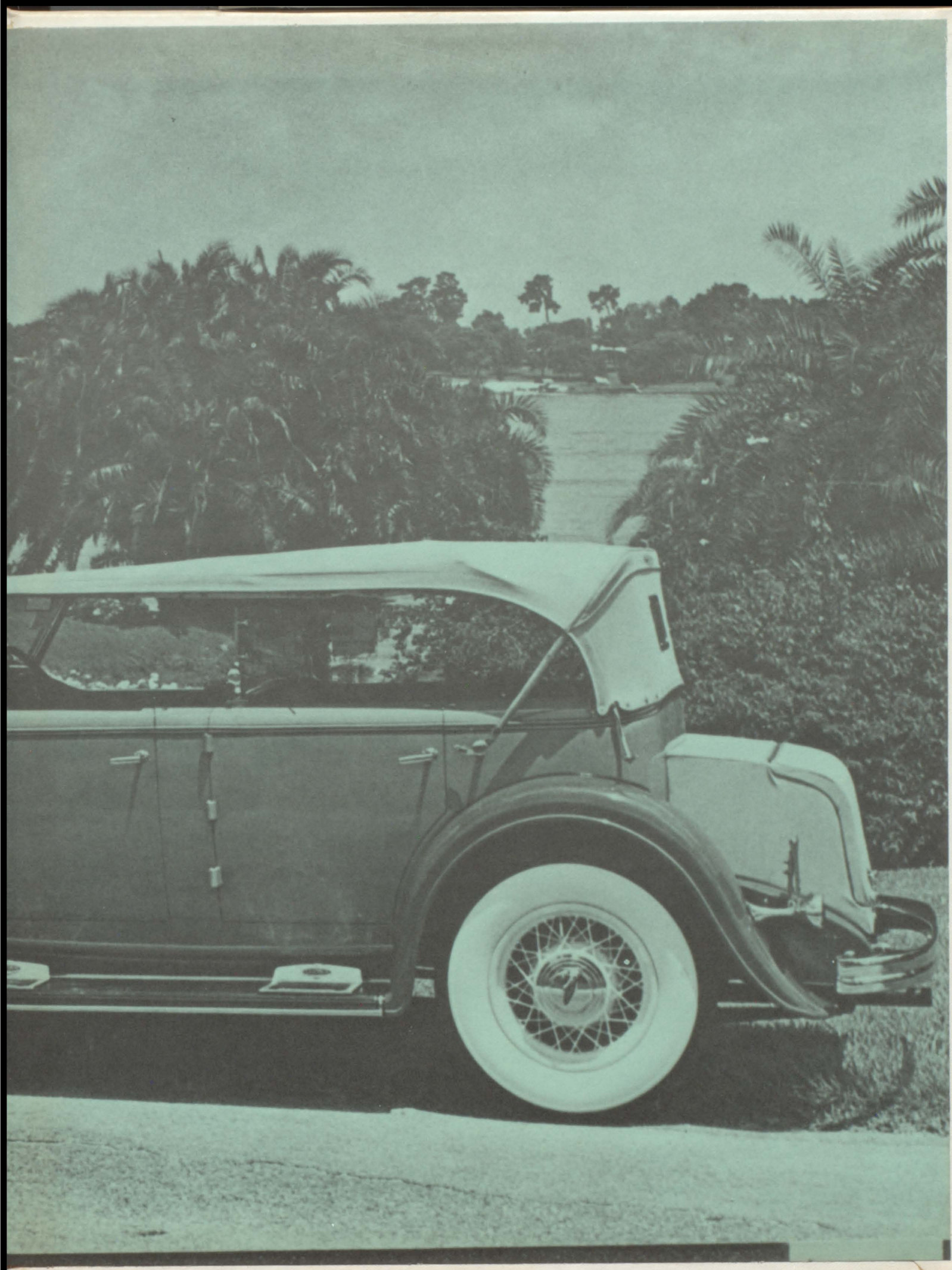




Driving down life's highways,  
always try to show a little class.



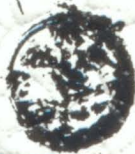








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