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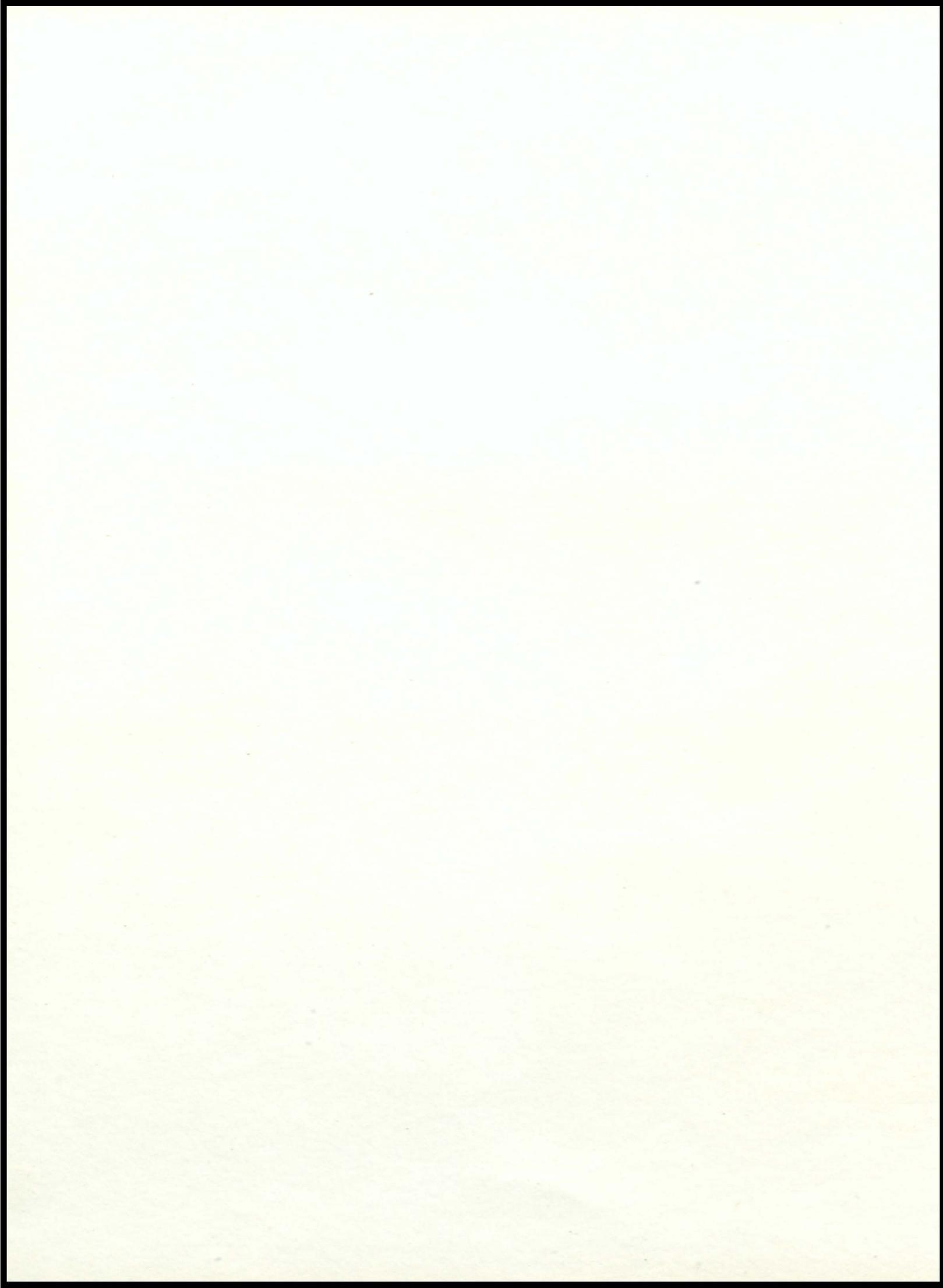




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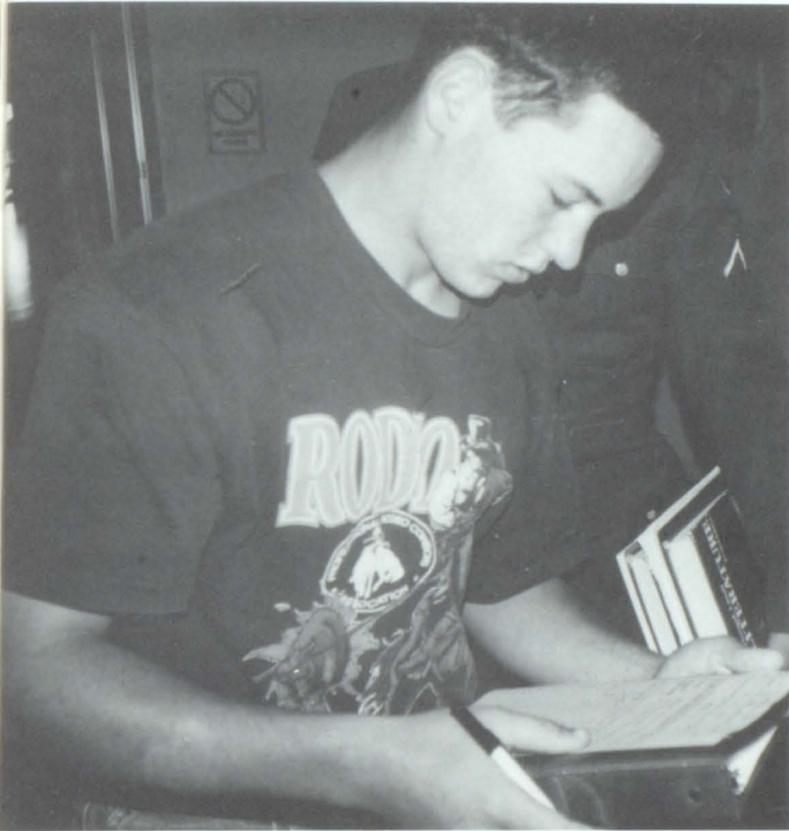
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Benjamin Holzbauer is doing some homework before the start of sixth hour.



Jeremy Kirton, Brenda Kokesh, Jesse Pravecek, Casey Payer, Sergei Omelaiev, and Daniel Kuhlman are taking notes in government class.



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Riley Holzbauer and Devin Bastemeyer are doing their homework in senior lounge.

Bob Swatek, Adam Soukup, Aaron Abdouch, Frank Carda, Scott Kisely, Craig Cuka, Richard Turner, Matt Abdouch, Ben Holzbauer, Dan Kotab, and Gary Jongewaard prepare to take on their opponents before the big game.

Wagner High School Above and Beyond

The students at Wagner High School strived to be above and beyond all others in their academics, athletics, school spirit, and in their caring for one another. Wagner High School improved its academics and technology. The school installed a new computer lab and linked to the internet. Students took advanced placement courses which would help them to go further in post-secondary education.

Wagner High School was known for outstanding athletic abilities. The girls' basketball team received first runner-up at the State A's. Six wrestlers and four gymnasts advanced to the state competition in their respective sports.

School spirit was another factor that made the school what it was. Whether it was getting involved in homecoming activities or attending games, the students' spirit backed the teams one hundred per cent.

Wagner High School students, faculty, administrators and school board members gave that little extra that made the school above and beyond the average.

Kim Seiner, Susana Dominguez, Sara Uherka, Trista Tuttle, Nicole Soukup, Jennifer Leibel, Jodi Cournoyer, Danielle Davenport, and Jessica Westendorf spend time together before the big football game.

Stephanie Villmow, Erica Podzimek, Kim Seiner, Tanner Jurgensen, and Adam Soukup pay close attention in science.



Rhonda Beeson and Sara Uherka are busy doing dishes.



Jerod Slaba goes for the basket while Matt Abdouch assists.

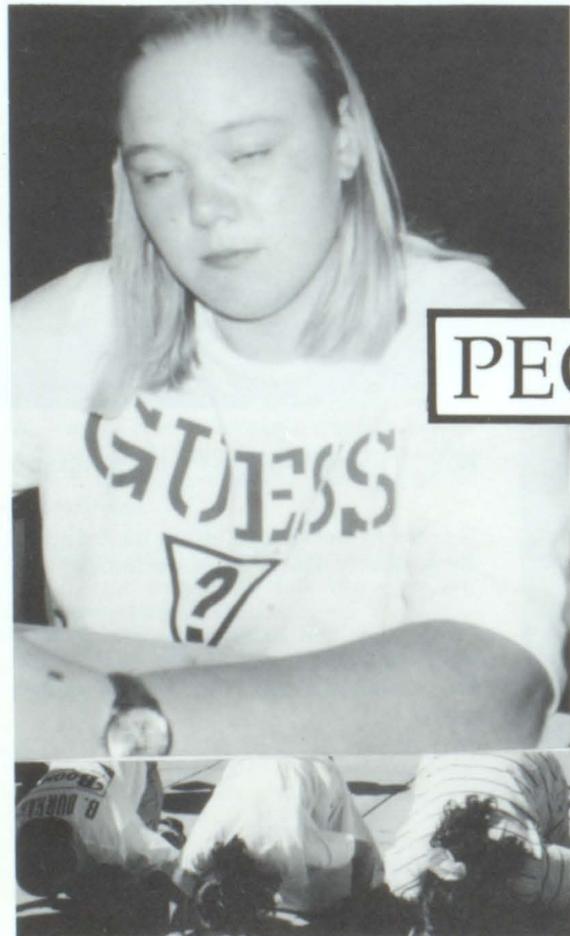
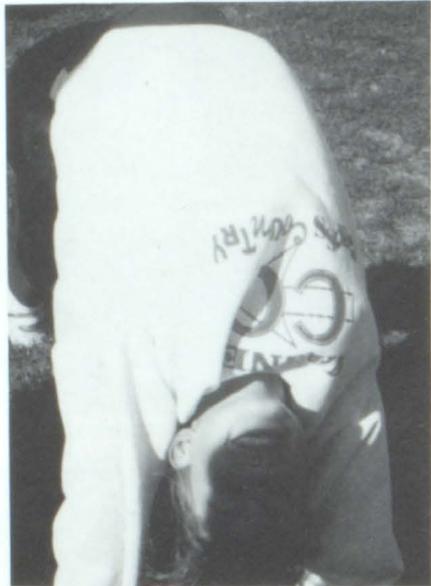


Riley Holzbauer attempts to pin his opponent.

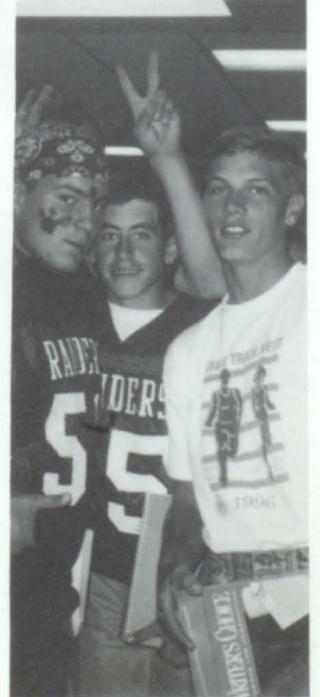
Jeremy Andersh and Michelle Zolnowsky spend quality time in the senior lounge.

Coach Kuca and Kropuenske talk to Tamara Schroeder, Brandy Carda, Stephanie Soukup, Erica Podzimek, and Tara Dvorak during a time out.





PEOPLE



Administration Oversaw Operation of School

The Wagner administration, made up of Roger Wiltz, Neil Goter, Vernal Anderson, Marlene Stone and the school board members-Don Hosek, Jerry Seiner, Diane Thaler, John Uecker, Wayne Scheer, and Francis Soukup, worked together to oversee the operation of the school to make sure the students got the best education possible.

The superintendent at Wagner Community School was Mr. Anderson. Mr. Anderson took care of the general supervision and administration of the school. In addition to preparing the agenda for school board meetings, he oversaw instruction, maintenance, transportation and meals.

Coordinating the curriculum, evaluating the teachers and classes, and handling the discipline was the responsibility of the high school principal, Mr. Wiltz. He prepared schedules and saw to it that extra-curricular activities ran smoothly.

Mr. Goter was the assistant principal. His job included assisting with the activities related to that of the high school principal and making sure everything ran properly in the junior high.

Business manager, Marlene Stone, was in charge of all finances of the school. She made sure that all accountable funds met state guidelines. Taking minutes at the school board meetings, preparing payroll and or-

dering supplies were all important duties assigned to Mrs. Stone.

Wayne Scheer, John Uecker, Jerry Seiner, Diane Thaler, Todd Doom, Don Hosek, and Francis Soukup met once a month as the school board. The group made decisions that affected the whole school. They set the school policies and handled allocation of funds. This elected group was responsible for many things that came up during the year.

The administration at Wagner Community School put a lot of effort and time into creating the best learning environment. Together they shaped high school life.

The members of the school board are (Back row) Wayne Scheer, Don Hosek, Todd Doom, John Uecker, (Front row) Francis Soukup, Diane Thaler and Jerry Seiner.



Superintendent Vernal Anderson



Assistant Principal Neil Goter



Roger Wiltz is the high school principal.



Business Manager Marlene Stone

Education Continued Throughout the Year

From day to day and year to year, the education process continued. From physics and chemistry labs to dissection labs, education continued. From band and chorus to home economics, it continued. Throughout FFA and AG and study hall(nap time?), it never ended. Typing in the computer lab and painting in art, it

never stopped. From psychology to English, education continued. From science to Spanish, it continued. From Missoula plays and school plays to all sports, it moved on. Taking notes in government, history and social studies to business education and law, it never seemed to stop. From the beginning of life to the end of

life, education continued.

This year we welcomed four new teachers. They included Jim Altenburg, Jodi Altenburg, Leanne Meaney, and Pete Nielson. With these new teachers joining the staff, education continued to take a step above and beyond.

Jim Altenburg
Bus. Ed., Head Boys' Basketball, Assist. Football

Jodi Altenburg
S. Studies, Assist. Track, JRH Girls' Basketball

Clay Barham
Art, S. Studies, English, Jr. Class

Howard Bich
Biology, Head Track, Cross Country, Jr. Class

Linda Broeher
Resource Room

Dan Daum
Science, JRH Wrestling & Track

Phyllis Daum
Resource Room

Tim Dingman
Band

Marcia Hall
Library

Sue Isebrands
Spanish

Betsy Koenig
Elementary Computers

Doreen Kuca
JRH Math, Head Volleyball

Mary Lease
Home Ec., English

Leanne Meaney
Chorus

Joan Mulder
English, Am. & World History

Walt Nedved
Science, Athletic Director, JRH Football

Pete Nielson
Ag., FFA, Assist. Football, JRH Boys' Basketball

Doug Odens
P.E., Assist. Boys' Basketball

Fran Podzimek
Math, English, Jr. Class

Dana Sanderson
Title IX Counselor





Doug Schladweiler
Psychologist, South Central Coop

Glen Schoepf
Math, Computers, Play

Lorean Schoepf
English, Declam, Jr. Class

Tom Studelska
S. Studies, Assist. Wrestling



Janice Twitero
Math, Annual

Verne Twitero
Chemistry, Physics, Computer Graphics

Dianne Wiechmann
Current Events, English

Betsy Wiltz
JRH English/Language Arts



Patricia White Horse
Special Education Director

Linda Youngbluth
Bus. Ed., Math, Newspaper



In chemistry, Kasi Brown, Tara Dvorak, Jen Durham, and Angie Wilson are working with glass in order to complete a lab.



Gary Jongewaard, Nick Uherka, Mike Koupal, and Scott Donelan visit before senior math.

Seventh and Eighth Graders

The seventh graders are (Back row) Josh Flying Hawk, Jeremy Cuka, Jessica Dvorak, Janae Reinbold, Robin Archambeau, Brenton Fuchs, (Sixth row) Theodore Kranig, Robbie Fox, Gregg Frederick, Alfred Gunhammer, Delano Aungie, Tyrone Primeaux, Paul Harrington, (Fifth row) Antoinette Aungie, Dannielle Cook, Andrew Cournoyer, Desiree Laweka, Mary Picotte, Derek Gray, Jeremy Gumm, Richard Bauder, Bryce Reiser, Andrea Cournoyer, (Fourth row) Jennifer Johnson, Alicia Heck, Alison Heck, Ross Beeson, John Holzbauer, Gavin Weber, Scott Link, Mark Humphrey, Randy Honomichl, Jason McBride, (Third row)

Joann Johnson, Kristi Thomas, Mary Jo Nedved, JoEllen Lhotak, Jeremy Havranek, Jason Van Duysen, Roger Medricky, Adam Kafka, Ross Cimpl, Heidi Stotz, (Second row) Darcy Bermudez, Jillian Jaeger, Miranda Hill, Jody Van Duysen, Kim Leibel, Amy Blaha, Renee Stock, Kevin Hubbeling, Amanda Kazena, Jolene Greger, (First row) Jonna Carda, Melanie Villmow, Cari Uecker, Tresa Scherr, Vanessa Yanez, Lindsey Nedved, Angela Mazourek, Chiara Cournoyer, Tracy Fousek, Nicole Krcil, and Connie Stevens.



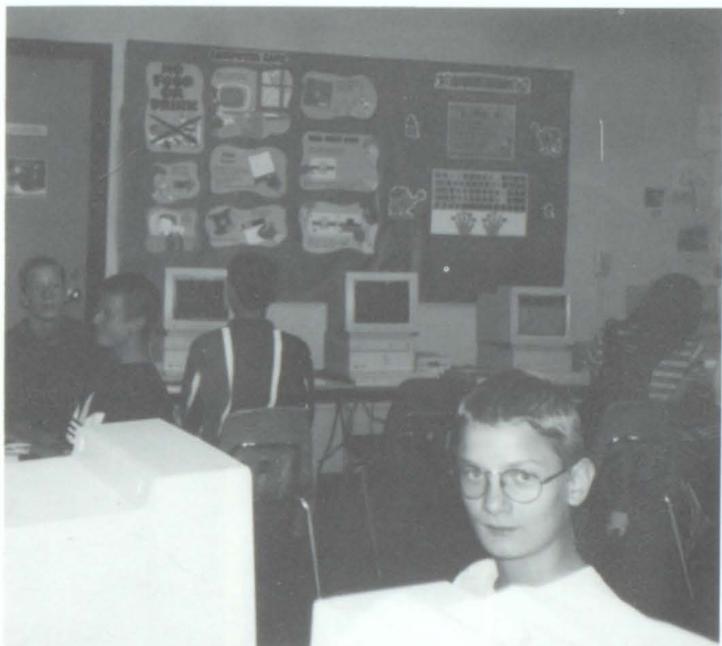
The eighth graders are (Back row) Donald Necklace, Jerome Rouse, Jeff Beeson, Cody Meyer, Jennifer Faith, Tina Necklace, Stacy Holy Bear, Charlene Little Bear, Alan Holy Bear, (Fifth row) Sonny Weston, Jeremy Kreeger, Joey Soukup, Laurie Joseph, Jessica McBride, Pearl Barnhart, Robin Uecker, Wendy Uherka, Sherri Melton, (Fourth row) Dean Honomichl, Matt Soukup, William Archambeau, Jeremy Lhotak, James Zolnowsky, Corey Reiser, Wayne Walters, Andrew Koupal, Vance Provost, (Third row) Jason Angel, David

Remme, Dustin Hartley, Jeremy Johnson, Ambrose Bruguier, Randy Soukup, David Woods, Jason Von Eschen, Brian Nedved, Terry Cuka, (Second row) Robin Bures, Tasha Bastemeyer, Roxy Leaf, Melissa Franklin, Irene Stevens, Marissa Cournoyer, Tara Lake, Daneera Dufur, Danielle Davenport, (Front row) Collet Sully, Crystal Leibel, Shonda Jurgensen, Alyssa Mathis, Jamie Ramsdell, Heidi Odens, Jennifer Roth, Sarah Wiechmann, Christi Durham, and Haley Kocer.

Aaron Abdouch, David Azure, Janel Carda, Shiel Cournoyer, Andrew Koupal, Wendy Harrington, Tonia Gau, Craig Cuka, Jason Kuhlman, and Christina Laweka, are studying for algebra.



Teresa Humphrey and Janel Carda are getting ready for band practice.



Above left: Brian Kisely, Sean Coleman, Nick Cotton and Darren Rysavy are furthering their knowledge of computers.

Above right: Sophomores Suzie Sully, Kristen Krcil and Janelle Bastemeyer are relaxing in the kitchen after a long day of school.



Left: Looks like freshmen Brandy Durham, Tonia Gau, Nick Cotton, Lacey Engebretson, Jason Kuhlman, and Aaron Abdouch are learning the ropes of being in high school from seniors Jason Kocer, Jeremy Isebrands, Bob Swatek and Ben Holzbauer.

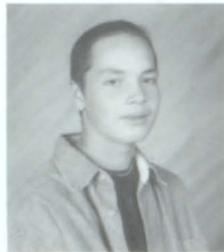
Hangin' with the AWESOME Class of 2000

The class of 2000 could not wait to graduate. Freshman year was great! Homecoming week was "initiation" into high school. Everyday at lunch the freshmen were tortured by the seniors. They had to push pineapple with their noses and had leap frog races. On Friday after the powder puff football game, the freshmen had

a pie fight with the seniors. There was whipped cream, Hershey's syrup and water balloons flying all over. The seniors totally covered the freshmen with flour. It was a great time, which the freshmen will never forget. Famous Freshman Quotes: "Shut-up Todd!!" Jill Kuhlman
"Metallica Rules!!" Aaron Abdouch

"I'm just messin'!!" Brandy Durham
"Giddy-up!!" Dan Podzimek
"Does this look funny?" Dawn Gruenwald
"Rock on!!" Tom Peters
"Does my hair look O.K.?" Liz Kazena

Aaron Abdouch
Anthony Archambeau
Michael Aungie
Brad Bartunek
Jessica Blaha



Mario Bortolussi
Justin Bouza
Joseph Carda
Sean Coleman
Nicholas Cotton



Carl Denker
Brandy Durham
Lacey Engebretson
Steven Fousek
Curtis Fuchs



Tonia Gau
Travis Giedd
Dawn Gruenewald
Calvin Gunhammer Jr.
Cornell Gunhammer



Joshua Havranek
Teresa Humphrey
Nicole Johnson
Elizabeth Kazena
Brian Kisely





Jason Kuhlman
Jill Kuhlman
Christina Laweka
Betty Leader Charge
Todd Link



Marva Matula
Clinton Meyer
Justin Necklace
Thomas Peters
Brian Picotte



Daniel Podzimek
Terry Ramsdell
Randi Renner
Jason Robertson
Josh Rouse



Darren Rysavy
Adam Sanderson
Misty Smejkal
Rachel Soukup
Cody Specketer



Kristina Stotz
Debbie Sudbeck
Kelly Sully
Timothy Vanden Hoek
Gwyn Weston



Kyla Whiting
Luke Yanez

The freshman class officers are Joe Carda, president; Dawn Gruenewald, vice-president; and Aaron Abdouch, secretary/treasurer.

Sophomores Active

The class of 1999 became sophomores this year. The year seemed to fly by with all the activities that went on. Football games, basketball games, concerts, plays, and a variety of contests kept many sophomores busy throughout the year.

The required classes for sophomores included biology and advanced composition/literature survey. For many, the dissection of fish and earthworms in biology class kept the subject interesting.

The class of '99 had made it half-

way through high school and the best was yet to come. The memories that had yet to be created. The experiences that had yet to be experienced. The plans that were being made. Soon the dreams of graduation would become reality.

Suzanne Andal
David Azure
Gary Bartunek
Janelle Bastemeyer
Rhonda Beeson



Wayne Bergin
Frank Carda
Janel Carda
Bess Cournoyer
Ryan Cournoyer



Craig Cuka
Wenona Davis
Susana Dominguez
Crystal Dupuy
Clara Frederick



Wendy Harrington
David Holzbauer
Shawn Honomichl
Nicholas Ishmael
Jessica Jongwaard

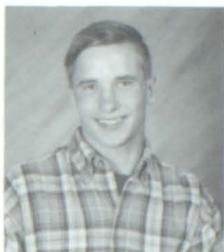


Sarah Kafka
Amanda Koupal
Patricia Koupal
Kristen Krcil
Paul Kulhman





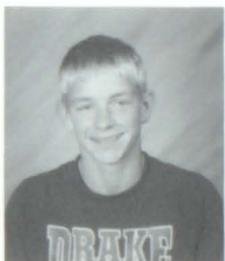
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 Nicholas Pravecek



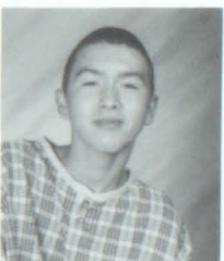
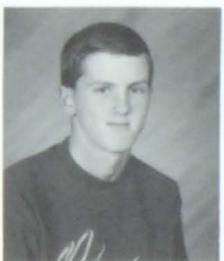
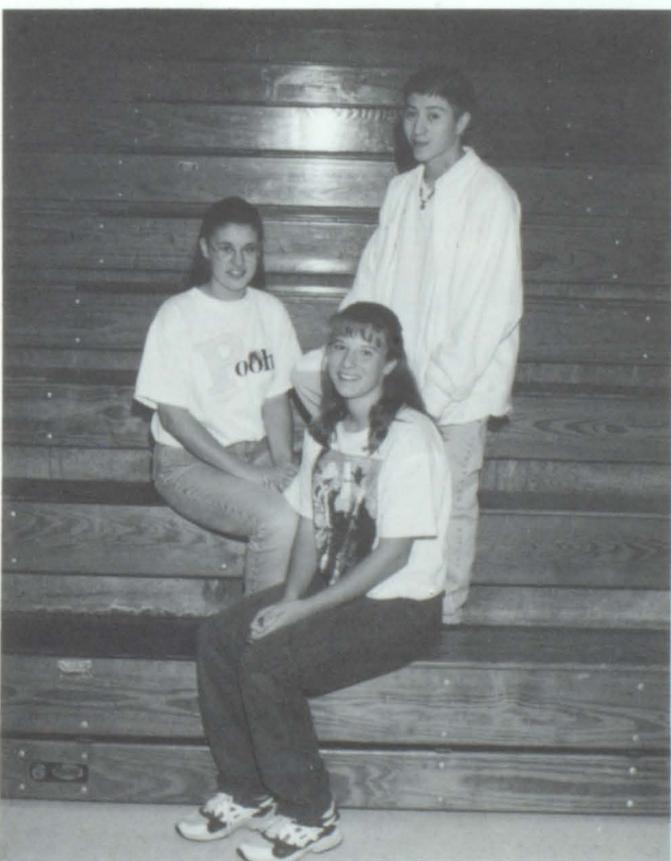
Roger Rezac
 Trevor Scherr
 Jessica Slaba
 Ryan Slaba
 Kenneth St. Pierre



Suzanne Sully
 Jozef Swatek
 Molly Swatek
 Zachary Thaler
 Richard Turner

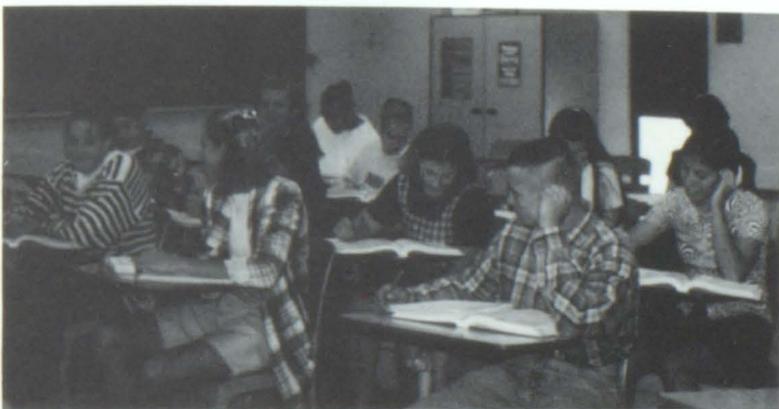


Sara Uherka
 Jackie Van Duysen
 Kevin Waggoner
 Nichole Wiechmann
 Marshall Williams



Joshua Woods
 Russell Zambrano

Sophomore class officers
 are Sarah Kafka,
 secretary/treasurer;
 Nichole Wiechmann,
 president; and Chris Perry,
 vice-president.



Nicholas Pravecek, Michael Aungie, Dalene Link, Jessica Jongewaard, Crystal Dupuy, Amanda Koupal, Kristen Krcil, Sarah Kafka, Suzanne Andal, Ryan Slaba, and Suzie Sully study hard in their sophomore English class.

Memorable Year

The class of 1998 completed yet another year at Wagner High. From working at concessions to preparing for prom, the juniors had their busiest and most memorable year so far. This class excelled in everything from academics to athletics to music.

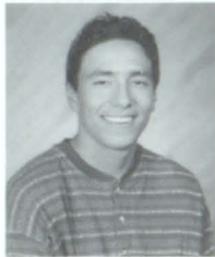
Although their junior year seemed to fly by, they all had fun and made the most of their year. The class of 1998 looks forward to their senior year and they will no doubt make many more memories together before they are gone from the halls of Wagner High School.

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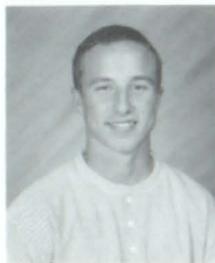
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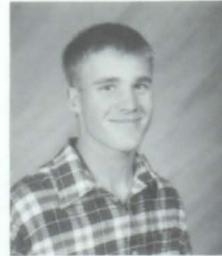
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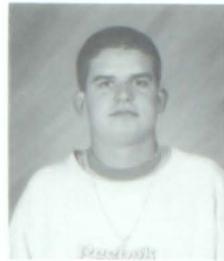


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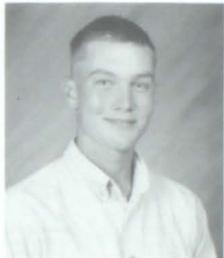
Joseph Kuhlman
Jennifer Leibel
Gustavo Lopez
Shelly Mills
Vern Miner



Sergei Omelaiev
Erica Podzimek
Randy Robertson
Tamara Schroeder
Kim Seiner



Adam Soukup
Nicole Soukup
Stephanie Soukup
Ryan Thaler
Trista Tuttle

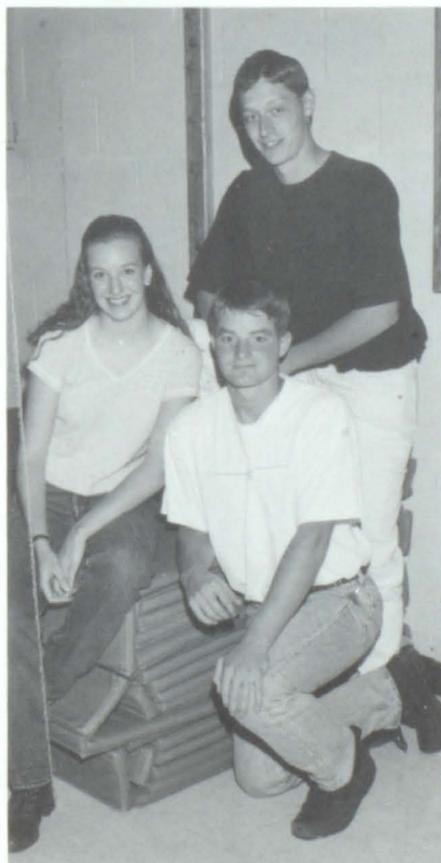


Danica Uherka
Nicholas Uherka
Stephanie Villmow
Matthew Weber
Jessica Westendorf



Ryan Wiechmann
Angela Wilson
Gina Woods

The Junior Class Officers
are Secretary/Treasurer
Tara Dvorak, Vice
President Tanner
Jurgensen, and President
J.D. Cotton.

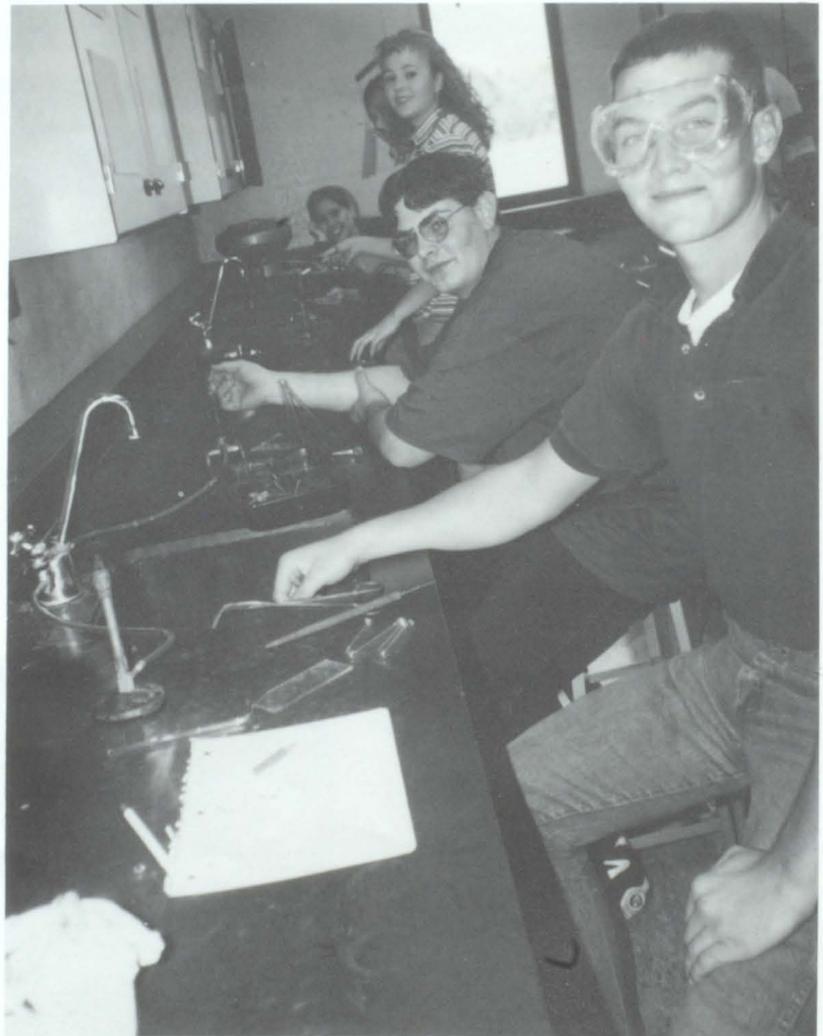
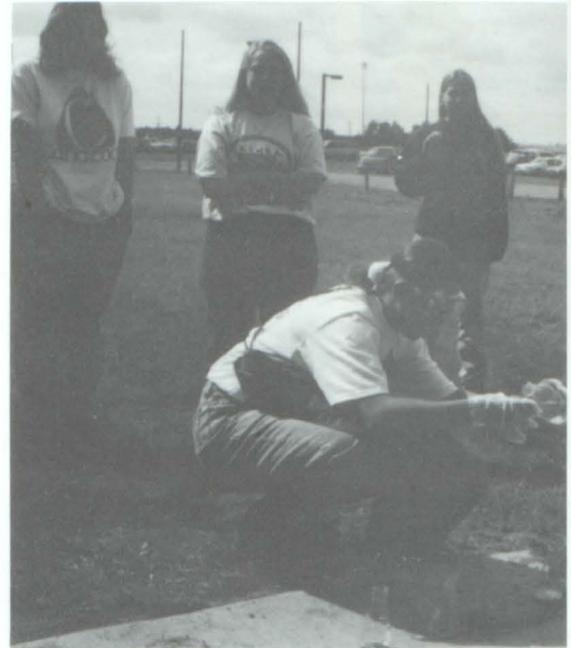


Taking time out of American History are Stephanie Villmow, Danica Uherka, Kim Seiner, Erica Podzimek, Kasi Brown, Stephanie Soukup, Nicole Soukup, and Tara Dvorak.

John Bartunek, Bob Swatek, Chris Perry, Joe Kuhlman, Randy Robertson, Ryan Wiechmann, Tom Ehrisman, and Josh Beeson have finished taking notes from Ms. Lease.



Danica Uherka, Kasi Brown, and Angela Wilson look on as Jennifer Durham does a chemistry experiment.



Above: Jeremy Andersh, Brenda Kokesh, and Sara Schroeder are trying to do their homework in senior lounge.

Nickolas Uherka, Luke Jordan, Nicole Soukup, Christina Andal, Jennifer Leibel, and Gary Jongewaard are finishing up their glass projects.

Below: Casey Payer, Jesse Pravecck, and Michael Seiner are trying to pay attention in government class.



Eric
Wiechmann

Debra
Winckler

Michelle
Zolnowsky



"If we had one lifetime wish
One dream that could come true,
We'd pray to God so hard
For yesterday and you.
The things we feel so deeply
Are the hardest things to say,
But we, your family and classmates love you
In a very special way."

The senior class would like to pay special tribute to Scotty Harrell, who died December 12, 1990.

Above right: Riley Holzbauer, Mike Koupal, Mike Seiner, Jeremy Andersh, Brenda Kokesh, and Sara Schroeder spend quality time together in senior lounge.

The senior class officers are Secretary-Treasurer Michelle Zolnowsky, President Devin Bastemeyer, and Vice-President Ben Holzbauer.

Homecoming royalty are (Back row) Jill Kuhlman, Tami Schroeder, Ben Swatek, Mandy Koupal, (Front row) Chase Kuhlman, Erin Cimpl, and Brett Weber. (Middle row) Matt Abdouch, Michelle Zolnowsky, Kandi Kogel, Lorie



The campaign managers were Brenda Kokesh, Jeremy Isebrands, Sara Schroeder, Jeremy Payer, Deb Winckler, and Mike Seiner.



Ben Holzbauer and Michelle Zolnowsky were voted King and Queen of the 1996-97 Homecoming Ceremony.

Above and Beyond Imagination

The class of '97 spent many good times together at Wagner Community School. Homecoming got the school year underway as Ben Holzbauer and Michelle Zolnowsky were crowned Homecoming royalty. The seniors used their imagination to create games for the freshmen during initiation which was a memorable time for the seniors.

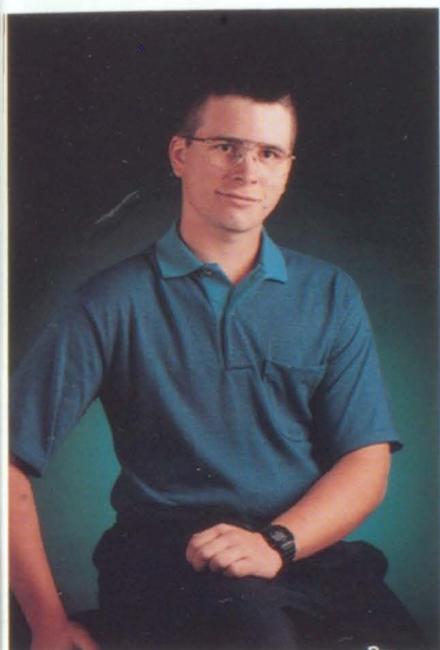
Because of too many snow days, students were exempt from taking se-

mester tests and the school year was half completed. Seniors now spent most of their time playing pool, throwing darts, and sometimes even studying in their very own senior lounge.

The seniors traveled to Pierre for the annual senior trip to visit and tour the capitol. The trip proved to be educational as well as a memorable.

Prom was another high point, but graduation was what they had waited

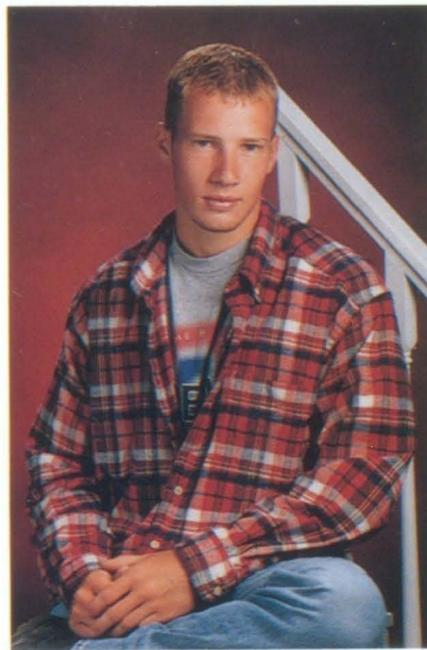
for. Graduation was postponed to a week later because of the severe winter weather which caused many missed days of school. This extra week gave the seniors a little more time to be together. Using their creativity and imagination, graduation proved to be exciting yet emotional as the seniors finally said their good-byes and went their own ways.



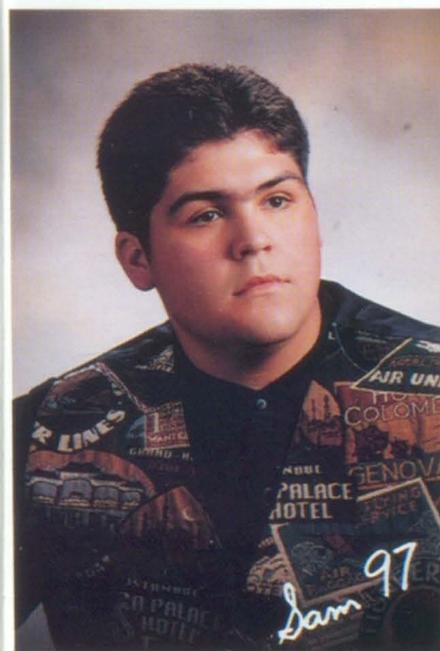
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Devin Bastemeyer



Sam Bermudez



Brandy Carda

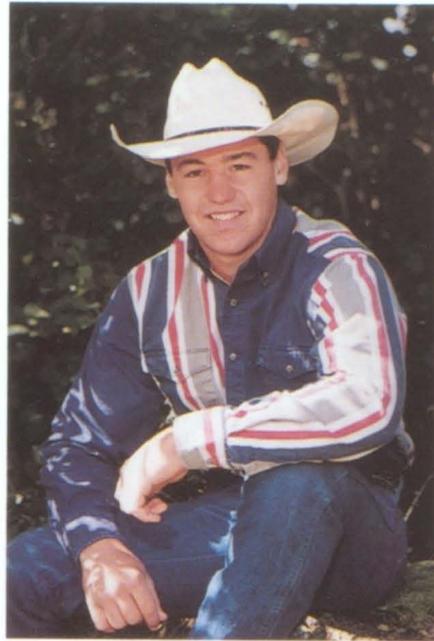


Shiel Cournoyer

Luci
Drapeau



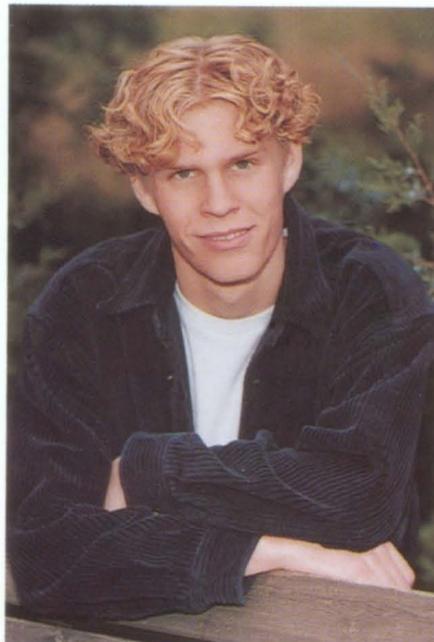
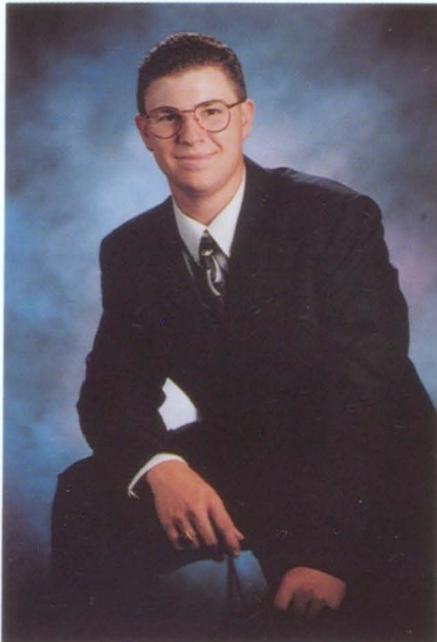
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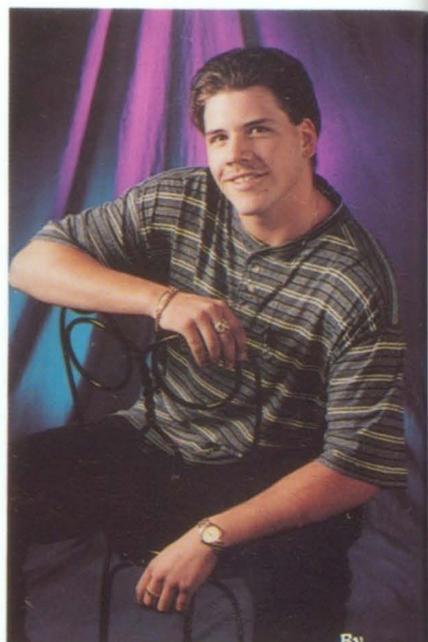
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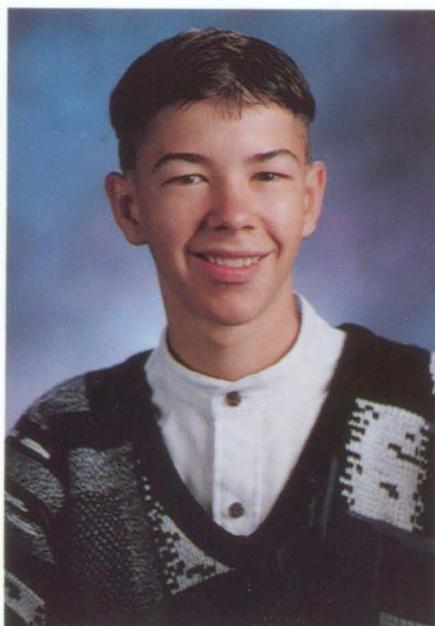
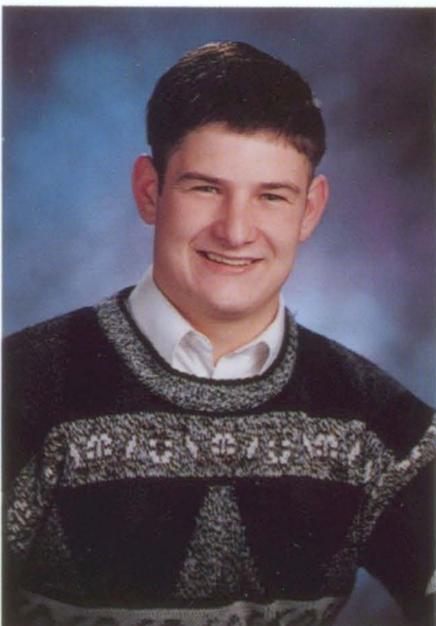


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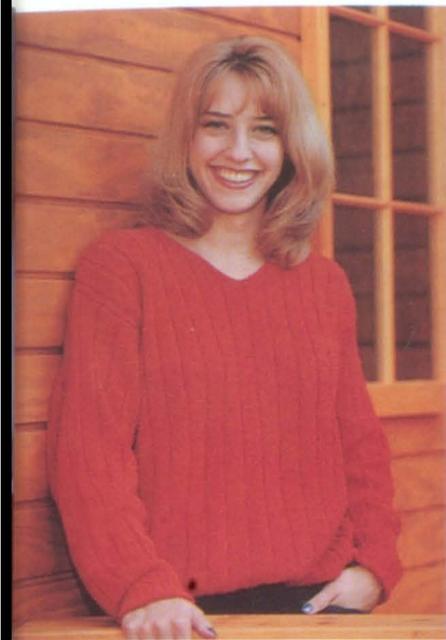
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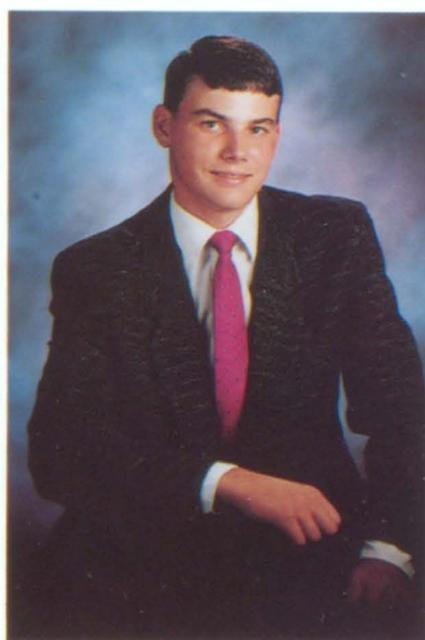
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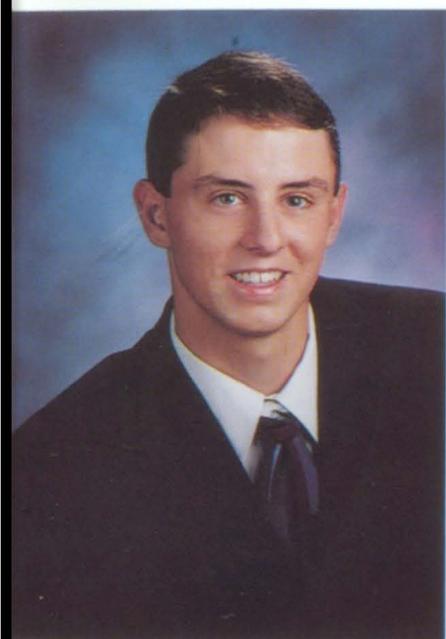
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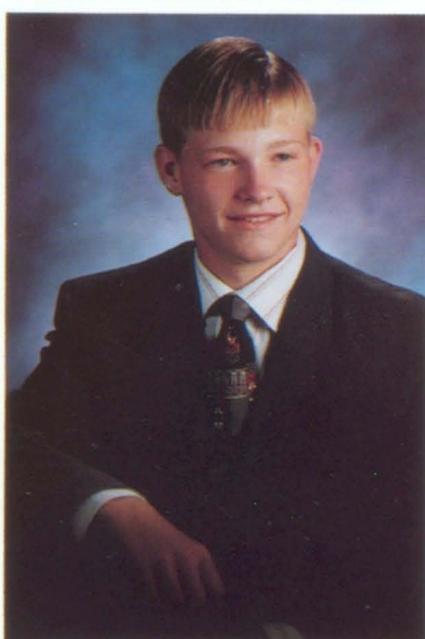
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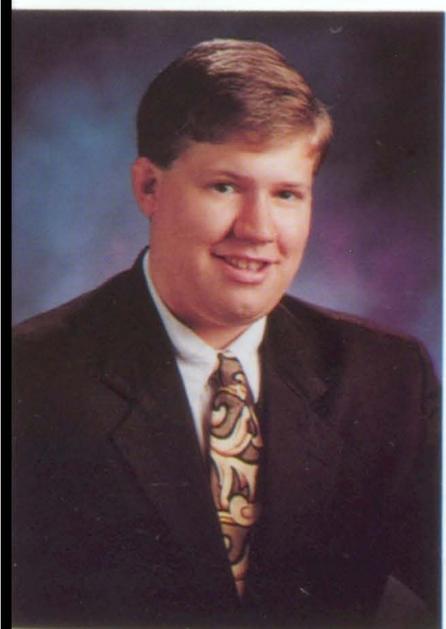
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Jesse
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Daniel
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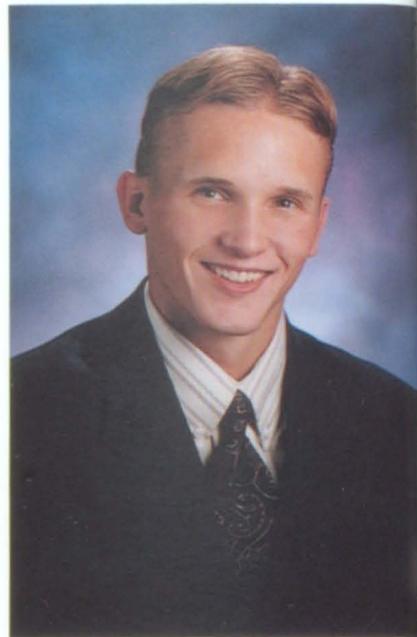
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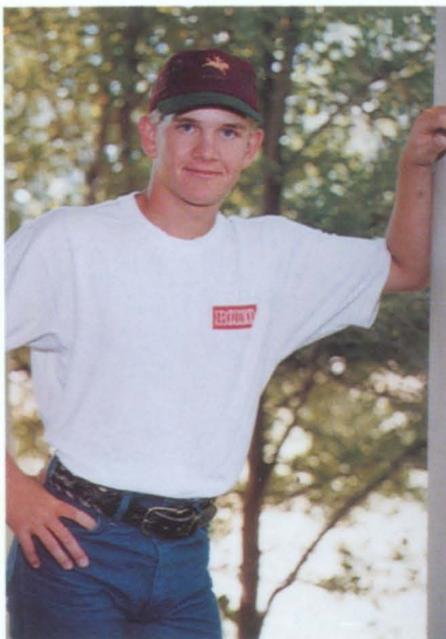
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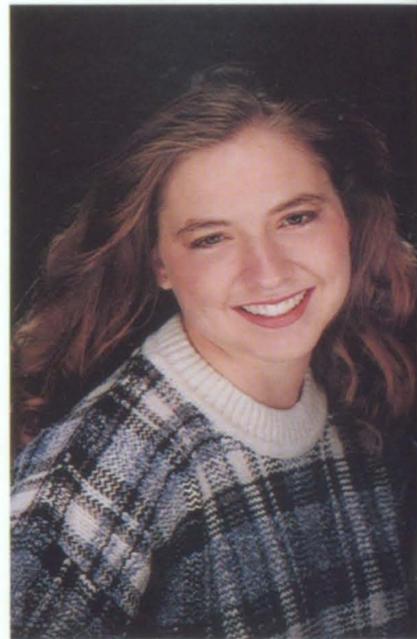
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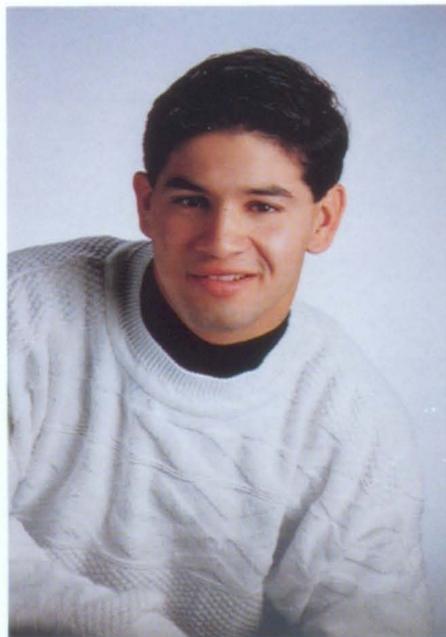
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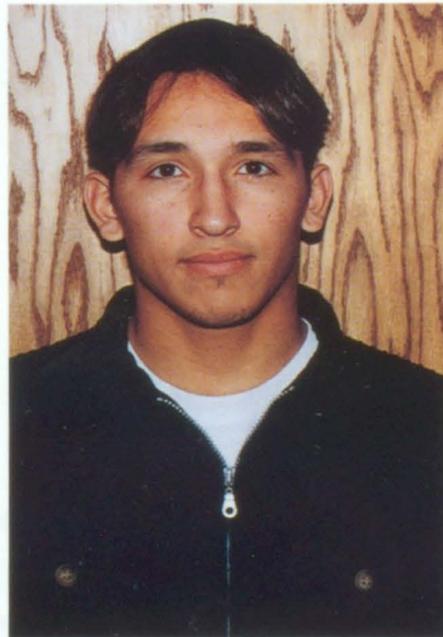
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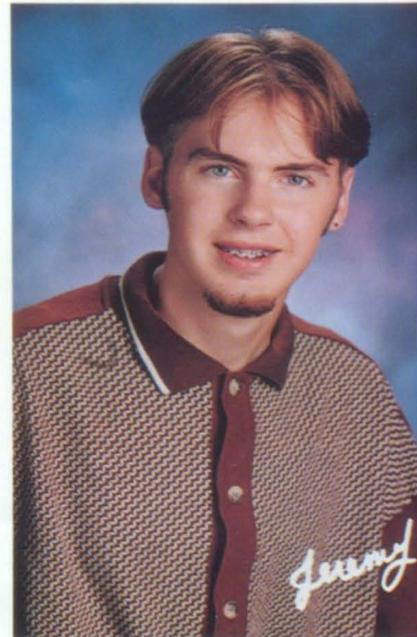
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The schools janitors are Bob Dvorak, John Mills, Dale Carda, Bonnie Soukup and Bonnie Carda.



Helping out in the office are Marilyn Zylstra, Jan Woods, Mary Koupal and Rosie Koupal.



Cooks for the year are (Back row) Jeanene Horner, Denise Efta, Karen Krcil, (Middle Row) Bev Gau, Lois Barkley, Mara Beckwith, Della Stimpson, Elaine Schroeder, (Front Row) Bonnie Carda and Kathy Leibel.



Support Staff Important

The support staff helped out many of the teachers and students throughout the year. The secretaries kept busy by coping assignments for the teachers and writing out slips for the students. They also helped the principals keep order in the office by typing various things on the computers.

The bus drivers had an exciting time driving around in those big yellow buses. They haul students to school in almost any kind of weather. They took the students to athletic events during the year.

The Wagner cooks are known for making good food. The cooks made many fabulous meals for the student, faculty, and guests who came to the school each day.

The janitors kept the school clean for every day use. Without the janitors, the building would not have been as neat and clean. The janitors repaired damage to the building and property of the school.

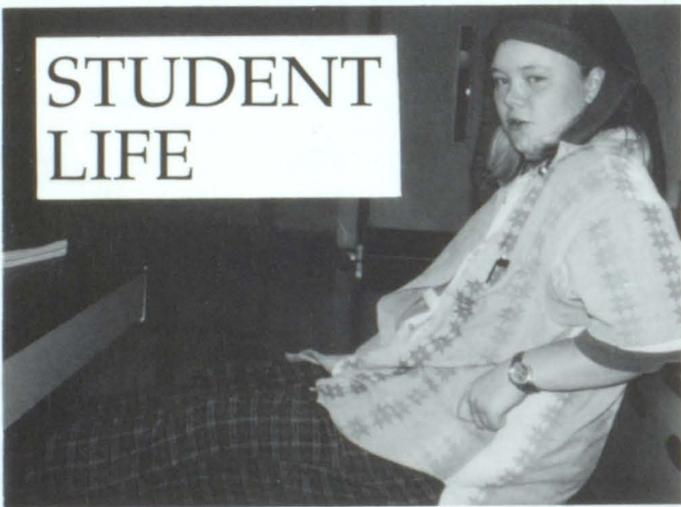
The support staff was a great asset to Wagner High School. Without all of these great people our school would not have been the quality school that it was.



The bus drivers are (Back row) Ray Kostel, Ken Peters, Wilbur Meyer, Terry Hollmann, (Front row) Richard Andresh, Kevin Andresh, Jane Andresh and Alvin Rezac.



STUDENT LIFE



National Honor Society consists of (Back row) Adam Soukup, Scott Donelan, Michelle Zolnowsky, Nicole Soukup, Ryan Wiechmann, J.D. Cotton (Middle Row) Stephanie Villmow, Stephanie Soukup, Jenny Durham, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Jesse Pravacek, (Front row) Kandi Kogel, Devin Bastemeyer and Debra Winckler.



National Honor Society/Quiz Bowl

Being named into honor society, was one of the highest honors that could be achieved at Wagner Community School. To be elected to honor society a student had to have a 3.0 grade point average. Students had to excel in four areas: (1) Scholarship, (2) Character-dealing with attitude and honesty, (3) School and Community serviced, and (4) Leadership.

Honor society members were recognized for their achievement at awards night. As a reward for reaching this high goal, the group took a field trip to Sioux Falls to dine in a fine restaurant and to see a movie. The members earned money by selling candy bars earlier in the year.

The Quiz Bowl team consisted of five members this year. The quiz bowl team competed in only a few meets but their brains were hard at work. Being a member of the quiz bowl took knowledge of the past and the present. To become a member each individual had to take an exam. The people with the highest number of answers right became part of the team. The team's first competition was held in Wagner. The members of the South Central Cooperative plus Marty sent teams to compete. The format for the bowl was for teams consisting of four students each to answer alternate questions in each round. Points were awarded for correct answers and for winning a round. Each team participated in four rounds.

The team from Bon Homme placed first, while Tripp-Delmont took second. Third place went to a combination team made up of members from Avon, Menno, Tripp-Delmont and Bon Homme.



Members of the quiz bowl team are (Clockwise) Nicole Soukup, Clara Frederick, Jenny Durham, Scott Kisely and Brian Kisely.

Band members are (Back row) Scott Kisely, Michael Koupal, Eric Wiechmann, Jesse Pravecek, Debra Winckler, Lorie Swatek, Brenda Kokesh, (Third row) Wendy Harrington, Scott Donelan, Stephanie Villmow, Ryan Wiechmann, Dancia Uherka, Jamie Kokesh, Amanda Koupal, director Tim Dingman, (Second row) Jessica

Jongewaard, Craig Cuka, Nicholas Pravecek, Janel Carda, Dalene Link, Rhonda Beeson, Sarah Kafka, (Front row) Carl Denker, Brian Kisely, Sean Coleman, Dawn Gruenewald, Randi Renner, Brandy Durham, Jill Kuhlman, Suzanne Andal, (Holding the banner) Lacey Engebretson and Jessica Blaha.



Wagner Band

To start off the year, the band played at Czech Days, and at Wagner's Labor Day concert. Throughout the year the pep band played at many of the home games. In November four girls were chosen to go to the Augustana Band Festival. Bad weather interfered with a band festival trip to Chamberlain and the Christmas concert. Five young ladies almost got stranded in Chamberlain.

In the spring, Springfield held an area band festival for both high school and junior high. Wagner had twenty-seven band members attend. The following day was the high school spring concert. This year a jazz band was started by two very determined band students. The jazz band competed at the region band contest and received some good tips on how to improve. Mr. Dingman took the jazz band to the University of South Dakota Jazz Festival to see other jazz bands perform. The last concert of the year was the Pop's concert where the concert band played a song from three different decades. The jazz band performed two songs to end their season. The last performance of the year was Memorial Day at the cemetery.



This year's band officers are Dalene Link-Sophomore class, Scott Donelan-Junior class, Debra Winkler-Senior class, and Brandy Durham-Freshmen class. Stephanie Villmow was student council representative for the band.



Suzanne Andal is practicing for her solo.

Mr. Dingman is looking over Stephanie Villmow's music for All-State tryouts.



The four girls who went to the Aggie Band festival are Danica Uherka, Stephanie Villmow, Jamie Kokesh, and not pictured Brenda Kokesh.



Stephanie Villmow, Debra Winckler, and Jill Kuhlman practice their flute trio with Mr. Dingman.

This years seniors are (Back row) Jesse Pravecek, Michael Koupal, (Middle row) Lorie Swatek, Debra Winckler, Scott Kisely, (Front row) Eric Wiechmann, and Brenda Kokesh.

The clarinet choir practices for contest and the spring concert. Practicing are (Back row) Sarah Kafka, Rhonda Beeson, Janel Carda, Sarah Humphrey, Lacey Engebretson, Jamie Kokesh, (Front row) Michael Koupal, Wendy Harrington, Brenda Kokesh, Stephanie Villmow, and Debra Winckler.



The members of chorus are (Back row) Scott Donelan, Scott Kisely, Brian Kisely, Todd Link, Nick Cotton, Adam Sanderson, Justin Bouza, Nickolas Pravecsek, (Fourth row) Teresa Humphrey, Liz Kazena, Janel Carda, Rachel Soukup, Randi Renner, Misty Smejkal, Jessica Blaha, Dawn Gruenewald, Marva Matula, (Third Row) Patricia Koupal, Christina Andal, Nicole Soukup, Kim Seiner, Susana Dominguez, Sarah

Kafka, Jessica Slaba, Nichole Wiechmann, (Second row) Lorie Swatek, Erica Podzimek, Stephanie Soukup, Rhonda Beeson, Dalene Link, Mandy Koupal, Kristen Krcil, Lacey Engebretson, advisor Mrs. Leanne Meaney, (Front row) Debra Winckler, Kandi Kogel, Jackie Van Duysen, Tara Dvorak, Suzanne Andal, Stephanie Villmow, Jessica Jongewaard and Wendy Harrington.



New Choral Advisor

Wagner's chorus started the year with another new advisor, Mrs. Leanne Meaney. The first week of school the class officers for chorus were chosen. Later selections were made for swing choir and All-State. Alternates were selected for the all-staters.

Lorie Swatek, Dalene Link, Brian Kisely and Scott Kisely were selected to travel to Aberdeen as All-State chorus members. The alternates were Tara Dvorak, Kandi Kogel, Todd Link and Jeremy Vanden Hoek.

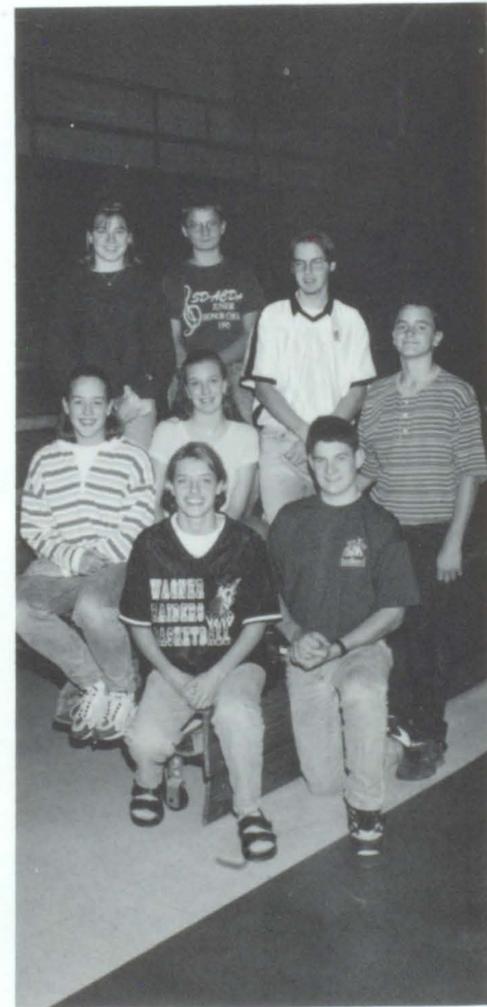
Several chorus members traveled to the annual music contest in Lake Andes, where they received very good scores.

The swing choir had a very productive year. They performed at the Christmas and Pops concert. The group performed "singing Valentines" on Valentine's day. They sponsored a variety show which was held on May 16. Acts were presented by students and faculty.

The entire chorus performed at the Christmas, spring and Pops concerts. All the concerts held throughout the year were a complete success.



The accompanist is Stephanie Villmow.



All-Staters and their alternates are Kandi Kogel, Scott Kisely, Dalene Link, Tara Dvorak, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Todd Link, Lorie Swatek and Brian Kisely.

The senior chorus members are (Front row) Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Kandi Kogel, Scott Kisely, (Back row) Lorie Swatek and Debra Winckler.



Class officers for chorus are Debra Winckler, Kimberly Seiner, Susana Dominguez and Dawn Gruenewald.



The members of the swing choir are (Back row) Stephanie Soukup, Dalene Link, Lacey Engebretson, Tara Dvorak, Nicole Soukup, Jessica Blaha, Wendy Harrington, Lorie Swatek, Suzanne Andal, (Front row)

Scott Donelan, Scott Kisely, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, David Holzbauer and Brian Kisely.

Creative Season

The improv troupe had a very creative season. They attended camp at Storm Mountain in Rapid City June 21 through the 24. There they listened to speakers, performed different scenes, and met other improv troupes. They learned how to perform scenes for different age groups and to promote communication between the audience and themselves.

Sue Isebrands and Amy Doom advised the group and showed them how to bond. Throughout the year, the troupe attended retreats at Scotland and Tyndall. They held a Wagner retreat at Amy Doom's house. At Amy's house they learned the importance of knowing them-

selves and their interests. On Sunday, April 13, they attended a youth leaders' seminar at the Howard Johnson Hotel in Sioux Falls. They performed two scenes for the audience and watched the other groups perform so that they could get new ideas for future use.

The troupe was invited by the Wagner Rotary to perform at their regular meeting. They performed the same scene that they presented at the youth leaders seminar. The members of the Rotary were asked questions regarding the problems faced by teenagers today and how they would feel in the same situation. The troupe was asked to return next year to perform again.

Improv members included (Back row) Jamie Kokesh, Tara Dvorak, Rhonda Beeson, Danica Uherka, (Middle row) Kasi Brown, Adam Sanderson, Marva Matula, (Front row) Lacey Engebretson, and Teresa Humphrey.



Taking a break at the Scotland retreat were Lacey Engebretson, Marva Matula and a fellow improver.



Rhonda Beeson and Adam Sanderson take time out from camp at Storm Mountain to take a picture with some of the friends they made.

Participating in Regions were Jamie Kokesh and Lacey Engebretson.



Those who participated in Districts were (Back row) Tara Dvorak, Advisor Mrs. Schoepf, Clara Frederick, Advisor Ms. Lease, Teresa Humphrey, (Middle row) Jamie Kokesh, Luke Jordan, Nicole Soukup, (Front row) Rachel Soukup, and Lacey Engebretson.



The oral interp members include (Back row) Lacey Engebretson, Erica Podzimek, Jen Durham, Christina Andal, Tara Dvorak, Nicole Soukup, (Middle row) Rachel Soukup, Danica Uherka, Suzanne Andal, Luke Jordan, Gina Woods, Jessica Jongewaard, Clara Frederick, (Front row) Jamie Kokesh, Teresa Humphrey, and Brenda Kokesh.

The local contest was held on Tuesday, October 29 and Thursday, October 31. In poetry, Jamie Kokesh received first place and Danica Uherka placed second. In serious drama, Clara Frederick advanced to the district competition. Rachel Soukup received first place in serious prose. In oratory, Jamie Kokesh placed first while Suzanne Andal received second place. Jessica Jongewaard, Luke Jordan, Rachel Soukup, Lacey Engebretson, and Teresa Humphrey placed first in readers' theater with Jen Durham, Erica Podzimek, Nicole Soukup, Gina Woods, Tara Dvorak, and Christina Andal placing second in that category. Nicole Soukup and Tara Dvorak advanced to districts in duet interpretation. Jessica Jongewaard and Clara Frederick received second. In humorous, Lacey Engebretson received first and Jessica Jongewaard second.

The winners of the local competition advanced to the district level on November 11. Jamie Kokesh and Lacey Engebretson placed in their categories so they were able to move on to the region level in Mitchell. At regions both were chosen as second state alternates, Lacey Engebretson in humorous and Jamie Kokesh in poetry.

The group finished their season by participating at the Mount Marty competition in Yankton in December. They competed in two rounds of elimination between many schools. After the final round, Jamie Kokesh placed first in poetry, Lacey Engebretson second in humorous, Danica Uherka third in poetry, and Suzanne Andal received fourth in oratory.

Active Season

The oral interp members had a very active season. On October 19 the group traveled to Winner for their first competition. Five of the fourteen members who traveled there received superior ratings for their performances. These included Teresa Humphrey, poetry; Danica Uherka, poetry; Lacey Engebretson, humorous; Jessica Jongewaard, humorous; Jamie Kokesh, poetry; and Suzanne Andal, oratory.

The FFA officers are (Back row) Casey Payer, Nick Uherka (Middle row) Rhonda Beeson, Kasi Brown, Tara Dvorak, (Front row) Joe Slaba, and Ben Holzbauer.



Members of FFA are (Back row) Nick Ishmael, Wayne Bergin, Josh Woods, Terry Ramsdell, Scott Kisely, Clinton Meyer, Todd Link, Tom Peters, (Fifth row) Curt Fuchs, Josh Havranek, Tim Vanden Hoek, Brain Kisely, Craig Cuka, Trevor Scherr, Travis Giedd, Justin Bouza, (Fourth row) Jason Robertson, Steven Fousek, Carl Denker, Ryan Wiechmann, Tom Ehrisman, Dan Kotab, Jason Kocer, Jason Kuhlman, Dan Podzimek, (Third row) Steve Beeson, Waylon Payer, Paul Kuhlman, Roger Rezac, Joe Kuhlman, Josh Beeson, Jeff Kuhlman, Matt Abdouch, Gary Jongewaard, Matt Weber, (Second row) Jackie Van Duysen, Danica Uherka, Jessica Slaba, Kim Seiner, Nichole Wiechmann, Dan Kuhlman, Bob Swatek, Mike Seiner, Randy Robertson, (Front row) Advisor Mr. Nielson, Nick Uherka, Tara Dvorak, Ben Holzbauer, Kasi Brown, Casey Payer, Rhonda Beeson, and Joe Slaba.



Made for Excellence participants are (Back row) Jason Robertson, Clinton Meyer, Randy Robertson, Nick Uherka, Ryan Wiechmann, Scott Kisely, (Middle row) Brain Kisely, Nichole Wiechmann, Tara Dvorak, Danica Uherka, Sara Uherka, Steven Fousek, (Front row) Jackie Van Duysen, Rhonda Beeson, Kasi Brown, and Jessica Slaba.

Chapter Grows in Size

The Wagner FFA chapter had a great year. The chapter started the year by welcoming our new ag advisor, Mr. Nielson. The chapter officers are Ben Holzbauer, President; Casey Payer, Vice-President; Kasi Brown, Treasurer; Tara Dvorak, Secretary; Nick Uherka, Reporter; Joe Slaba, Sentinel; and Rhonda Beeson, Student Advisor.

The chapter went to many contests this past year. The contests consisted of land, livestock, horse, dairy and crops judging. Fifteen students went to State Convention in Brookings and five seniors went to the National Convention in Kansas City.

The FFA is an organization open to anyone who wants to join. It primarily deals with leadership development, and promotes agricultural education.

The FFA organization strives to live by its motto: "Doing to learn, learning to do, earning to live, living to serve."



The officers attending Made for Excellence are Rhonda Beeson, Kasi Brown, Tara Dvorak, and Nick Uherka.

This years Culture Club members are (Back row) Pearl Barnhart, Ambrose Bruguier, Jessica McBride, Marva Matula, Teresa Humphrey, Adam Sanderson, Luke Yanez, Tyrone Primeaux, Donald Necklace, (Middle row) Chiara Cournoyer, Andrew Estes, Shiel Cournoyer, Jason McBride, Sergei Omelaiev, (Front row) Gregg Frederick, William Archambeau, Mark Humphrey, Robert Fox, and Deambra Ashes.



Culture Club

This years Culture Club had a very busy year. They used a sound system to produce music for several school dances at Marty and participated at the Band Boosters craft fair. The fundraisers for the Culture Club this year involved raffles and candy bar sales. The Culture Club took a trip to Minneapolis and saw the Miami Heat play the Minnesota Timberwolves. They also sponsored a trip to a pre-season NBA game. While in Minnesota they visited the Target Center and the Minnesota Science Museum. They sold Candy Grams at Valentine's day. The Culture Club cleaned 2 miles of highway for Adopt a Highway. The Culture Club held weekly meetings to discuss goals and activities for the club. The Culture Club served supper for the Ducks Unlimited banquet, the State VFW Convention, and Loyalty day banquet. This years Culture Club had a great year and are looking forward for what is to come.



Jessica McBride, Marva Matula, Ambrose Brugier, Shiel Cournoyer, Luke Yanez, Adam Sanderson, and Teresa Humphrey served as members of the advisory committee.

The newspaper staff consists of (Back row) Stephanie Villmow, Randy Soukup, (Middle row) Alyssa Mathis, Brenda Kokesh, Gina Woods, (Front row) Mrs. Youngbluth, Jamie Kokesh, Danica Uherka, and Trista Tuttle.

The newspaper editors are Gina Woods and Jamie Kokesh.



Newspaper Staff Struggles

At the beginning of the school year, the eight member newspaper staff was on the brink of extinction. Editors Jamie Kokesh and Gina Woods had many problems getting members to turn in articles. Eventually the staff decided to turn in the articles which made for some very happy editors. The staff went out of their way to write up, type, and put together the Raider Report.

By the end of the year, Wagner high school students were extremely proud to have a newspaper to keep up with the current news, headlines, horoscopes and other features.



Gina Woods uses the computer while working on her newspaper article.

Lacey Engebretson takes valuable time from homework to do her annual page.



The planning committee includes (Clockwise) Debra Winckler, Brenda Kokesh, Jamie Kokesh, Jesse Pravecek, Kim Seiner, and Tara Dvorak.



While attending the Josten's workshop, Kim Seiner, Tara Dvorak, Brenda Kokesh, Debra Winckler, Jesse Pravecek, and Jamie Kokesh look at annuals from other schools to get some ideas.

Annual Staff Goes Above and Beyond

The annual staff members have gone above and beyond to prepare this annual. At the beginning of the year, the staff elected three new members to the planning committee. They were Tara Dvorak, Kim Seiner, and Jamie Kokesh. The entire staff have put their ideas to work through their expressive work on the annual pages. The staff members volunteered time before, after, and during school.

Putting a page together required hard work on everyone's part. The annual staff took pictures of various events, put together pages, picked out designs to be used, and made other decisions. The twenty-one member staff had truly gone a little above and beyond to produce this book.



The annual staff members are (Back row) Jesse Pravecek, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Tara Dvorak, Erica Podzimek, (Third row) Jessica Westendorf, Lacey Engebretson, Nicole Soukup, Trista Tuttle, (Second row) Debra Winckler, Stephanie Soukup, Kasi Brown, Lorie Swatek, (Front row) Suzanne Andal, Jamie Kokesh, Jessica Blaha, Brenda Kokesh, Susanna Dominguez, Danica Uherka, Kim Seiner, Mrs. Twitero, Gina Woods, and Joe Carda.

Sara Uherka, Jennifer Fuchs, Suzanne Sully, Janelle Bastemeyer and Crystal Dupuy prepare lunch.

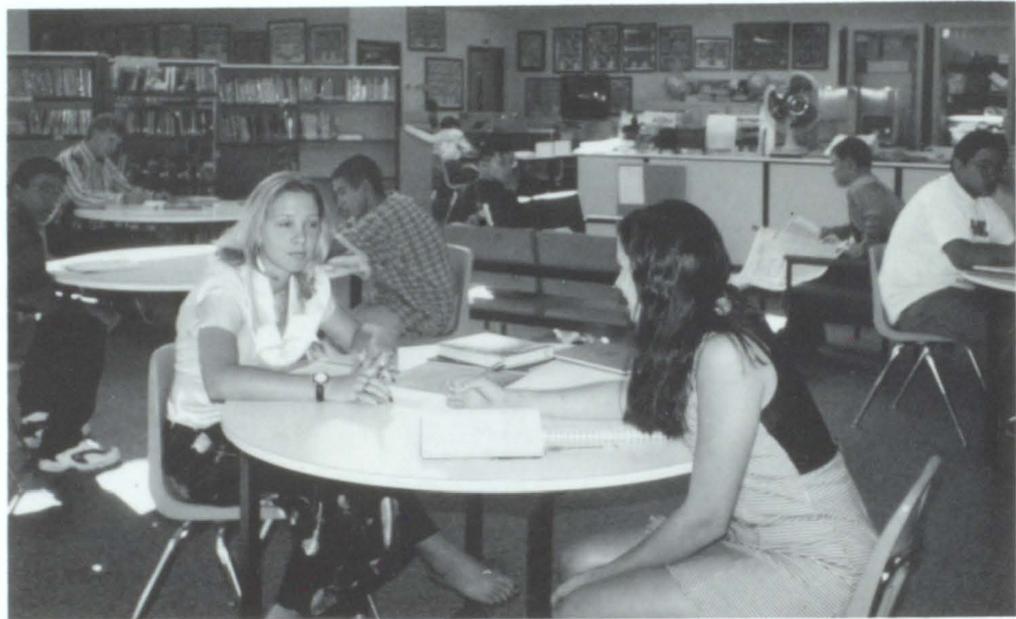
Academics Competitive

The Wagner High School's student body entered into a new and more competitive year. The freshmen entered the world of giving speeches and became better public speakers. They learned how to solve a great number of equations in algebra. The sophomores, some of our future doctors, learned what the insides of worms, crawdads, fish, and frogs looked like in biology.

The juniors discovered that chemistry was their favorite class and that writing a term paper for English was not an easy task to accomplish. The seniors worked hard to ensure that they would graduate. However, they did take breaks in between their studies to enjoy the better things in life, such as a trip to Pierre to see how the state legislature works. Overall the year had been very successful for the Wagner High School students.

Making good use of the library are Janelle Bastemeyer, Molly Swatek, Richard Turner, Riley Holzbauer, Shawn Honomichl, Russell Zambrano, Anthony Bortolussi and Eric Wiechmann.

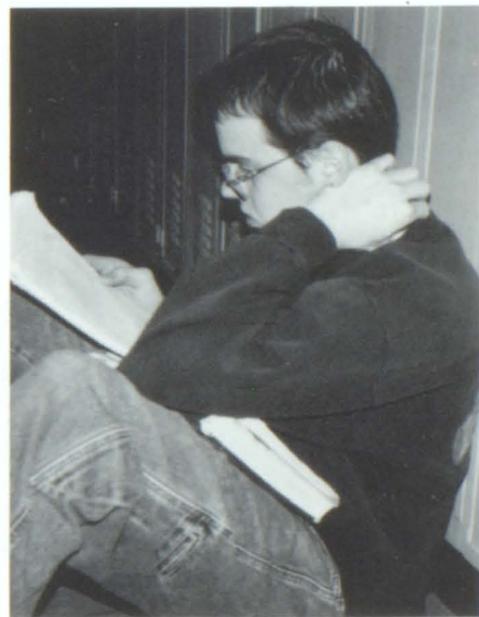
Jeremy Andersh, Eric Wiechmann, Devin Bastemeyer, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Lorie Swatek, Ben Holzbauer, and Scott Kisely attempt to learn some senior math.



Ryan Thaler, Ryan Fechner, Tanner Jurgensen, Kyle Hosek, Daniel Kotab, and Jennifer Leibel are tying hard to stay awake during American Literature.



Susana Dominguez works hard on her accounting.



Above left: The physical science class includes Steven Fousek, Tim Vanden Hoek, Josh Havranek, Curtis Fuchs, Cornell Gunhammer, Jason Robertson, Dan Podzimek, Travis Giedd, Susana Dominguez, Clint Meyer and Joey Swatek.

Above right: Jeremy Vanden Hoek crams for the upcoming psychology test.

Left: Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Adam Soukup, Sam Bermudez, Jeremy Payer, Wyatt Honomichl, Jason Kocer, Jerod Slaba, Devin Bastemeyer, Jeremy Isebrands, Dan Remme, Mike Seiner, Casey Payer, Jeremy Kirton, and Jeremy Andersh hang out in Psychology class.

The student council president is Ben Holzbauer and the vice-president is Lorie Swatek. Not pictured: Tara Dvorak is secretary-treasurer.

Student Council has an active year

The student council had an active year sponsoring activities like all-night basketball, Halloween costume contest, homecoming week dress-up days, and a scavenger hunt. Homecoming week was again a memorable one. The spirit of Wagner High School students came out during homecoming week with everyone dressing up and cheering at the football game which Wagner won!

The movie chosen for Christmas was The Cable Guy. Candy bars and pop were passed out by the council members during the intermission.

The student council met every two weeks to discuss any items that the student body wanted to bring up. One of the main topics was being granted the privilege of chewing gum and eating candy during school hours. The student council was not successful in getting it returned.



The student council consists of (Back row) Chiara Cournoyer, Stephanie Soukup, Heidi Odens, Tom Peters, Mike Koupal, Jill Kuhlman, Joey Soukup, (Middle row) Scott Donelan, Angie Wilson, Brenda Kokesh, Ben Holzbauer, Roger Rezac, (Front row) Stephanie Villmow, Lorie Swatek, Kandi Kogel, Rhonda Beeson, and John Holzbauer.



The boys' basketball cheerleaders are Liz Kazena, Lacey Engebretson, and Jenny Liebel.



The football cheerleaders selected for the year are (Top row) Suzie Sully, Nichole Wiechmann, (Front row) Tara Dvorak, Erica Podzimek, Stephanie Soukup, and Rhonda Beeson.



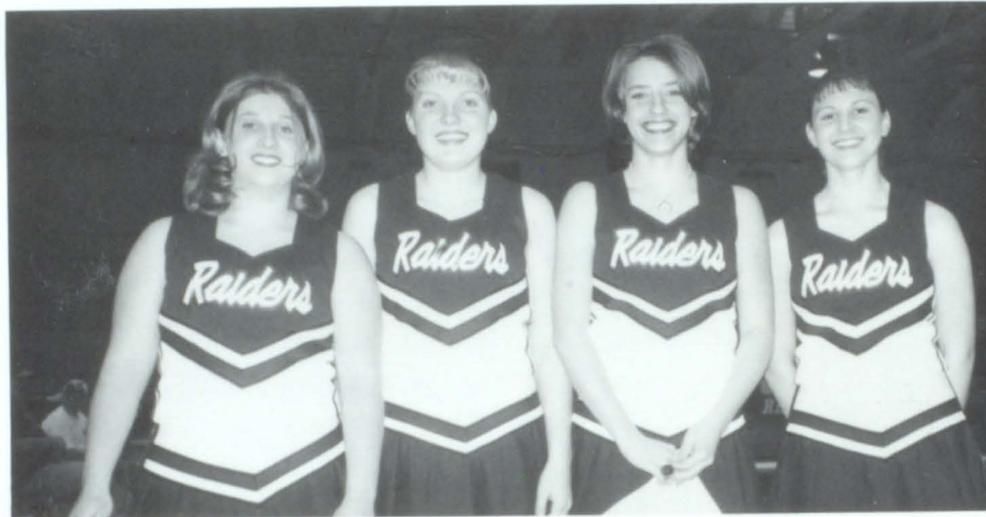
Showing their enthusiasm are wrestling cheerleaders; Kris Krcil, Debby Winckler, Kandi Kogel, and Stephanie Villmow.

Cheerleaders Raise Spirit

Being selected as a cheerleader required hard work and practice. The girls tried out by learning two group cheers and by inventing their own cheer. They performed the two cheers and school song with their squads in front of the student body and a panel of judges. Also, each person trying out performed their individual cheer for the judges. The votes were counted and the new cheerleaders were chosen.

To prepare for the school year, the cheerleaders attended an NCA cheer camp at the school for two days. They learned many new cheers, stunts, and dance routines. Everyone had great fun.

Throughout the year the cheerleaders tried to help raise school spirit and support the teams. They led pep rallies, hung up locker mates, made posters, and created new cheers to try and get the crowd enthusiastic. Laura Townsend and Stacy Nedved, the advisors, spent much time helping the cheerleaders during the season.

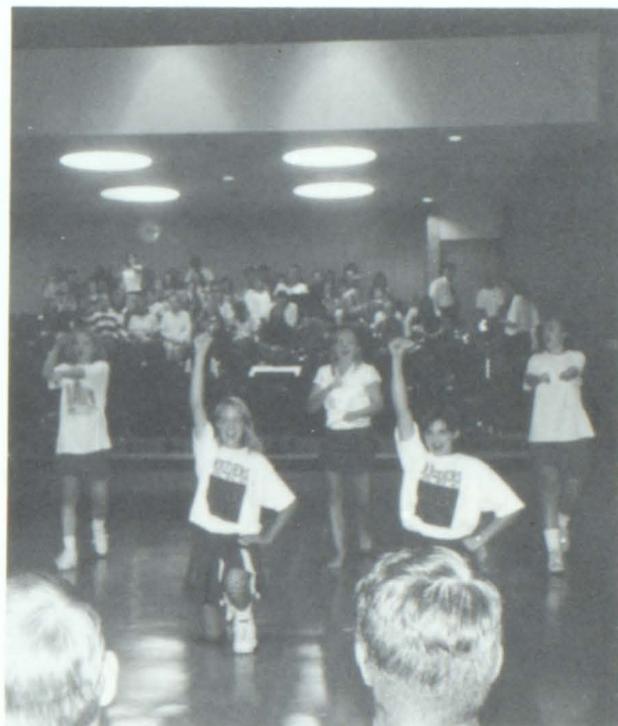


Pumping up the crowd at a football game are Rhonda Beeson, Stephanie Soukup, Suzie Sully, Erica Podzimek, Nichole Wiechmann, Tara Dvorak, (Front row) and Mascot Jessica Slaba.

The girls' basketball cheerleaders are (Back row) Nicole Soukup, Debby Winckler, Kim Seiner, (Front) Susana Dominguez.



Cheering at the pep rally are (Back row) Stephanie Soukup, Debby Winckler, Nicole Soukup, (Front row) Kim Seiner, and Susana Dominguez.



Liz Kazena, Lacey Engebretson, and Jenny Leibel cheering at a boys' basketball game.



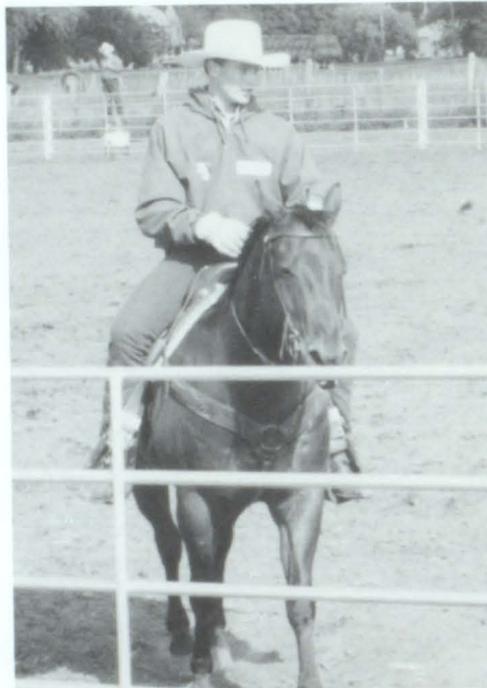
The wrestling cheerleaders for are Debby Winckler, Stephanie Villmow, Kris Krcil, and Kandi Kogel.

Joe Slaba is trying to stay on for eight seconds at the Regions.



Kasi Brown getting off her horse for goat tying at the State Finals.

Rodeo team members are (Back row) Kasi Brown, Jackie Van Duysen, Sara Uherka, adviser Karen Brown, (Front row) Nick Uherka, and Joe Slaba.



Nick Uherka is waiting to rope.



Jackie Van Duysen is in the grand entry for queening.

Team Host Practice Rodeo at Wagner

The Wagner High School Rodeo Team competed in High School Rodeo from April until June hosting one in Wagner. Members qualifying for the State Finals in Rapid City were Kasi Brown in pole bending and goat tying and Jackie Van Duysen in goat tying.



Sara Uherka is pole bending at the Regions.

This year's cross country runners are (Back row) Tanner Jurgensen, Devin Bastemeyer, Jeff Kuhlman, Ryan Thaler, David Woods, Coach Howard Bich, (Front row) Jason McBride, James Zolnowsky, Kim Seiner, JoEllen Lhotak, Michelle Zolnowsky, and Scott Seiner.



Jason McBride and Scott Seiner running strong.



Left: Running across the course is Kim Seiner.



Right: JoEllen Lhotak running hard through the course.



Cross Country Team Expands

This year's cross country team had quite a few more runners. The boys' varsity runners were Ryan Thaler, Gustafo Lopez, Devin Bastemeyer, Jeff Kuhlman, and Tanner Jurgensen. The girls' varsity runners were JoEllen Lhotak, Michelle Zolnowsky, and Kim Seiner. The junior varsity runners were Scott Seiner, James Zolnowsky, and David Woods. Mr. Bich was the team's coach. The team had ten meets this year. One of those was Wagner's first meet which was held at Pickstown. The other meets were held at McCook Central, Scotland, Spencer, Freeman, Marion, SESD at Scotland, and Regions at Lennox. The best team score occurred at the Wagner meet. The boys varsity team placed second and the girls varsity placed fourth.



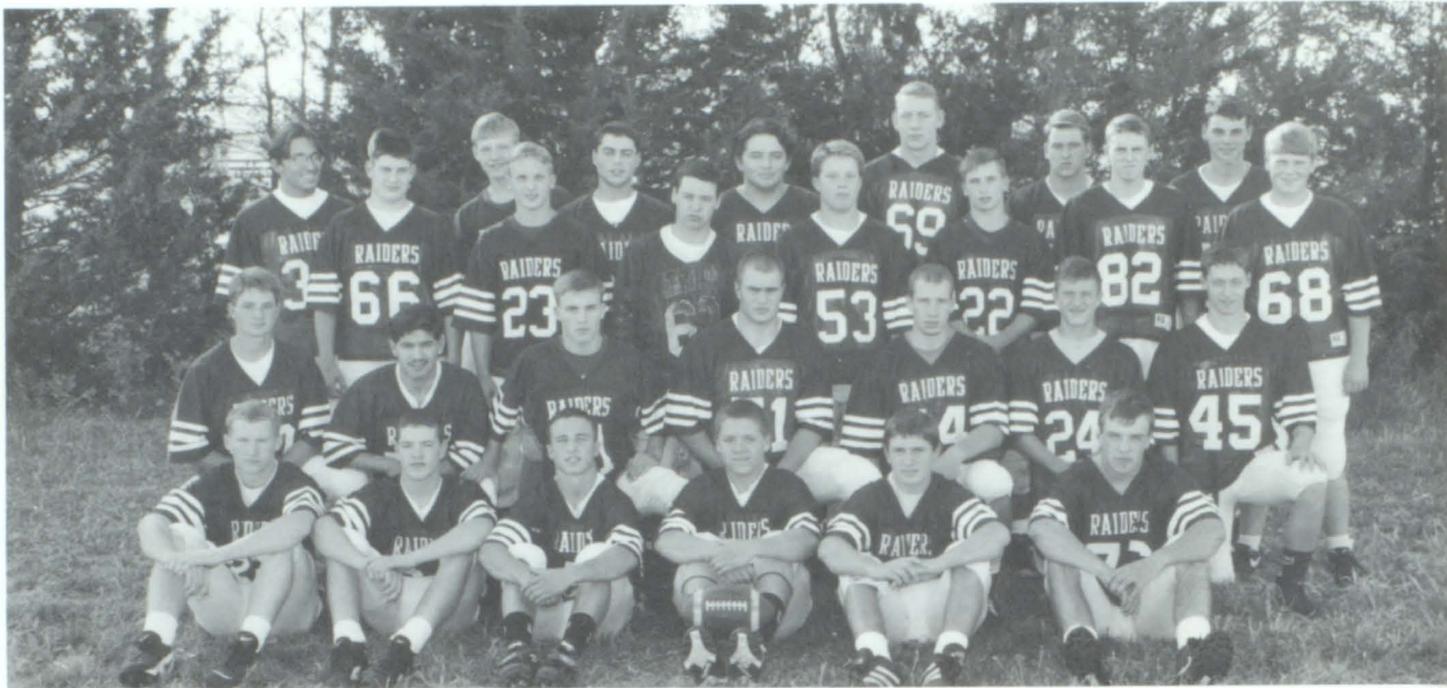
Michelle Zolnowsky pushing hard through the finish.



Tanner Jurgensen and Jeff Kuhlman keeping ahead of the pack.

The football team consists of (Fourth row) Greg Turner, Jeremy Payer, Joe Kuhlman, Richard Turner, Adam Soukup, Jason Kocer, Mike Koupal (Third row) Scott Kisley, Jarod Slaba, Ben Holzbauer, Riley Holzbauer, Ryan Slaba, Dan Kuhlman, Gary Jongewaard (Second row) Tanner Jurgensen, Bob Swa-

tek, Kyle Hosek, Matt Abdouch, Devin Bastemeyer, Trevor Scherr, J.D. Cotton (First row) Jeff Kuhlman, Josh Beeson, Jeff Cuka, Dan Kotab, Aaron Abdouch, and Ryan Wiechmann.



The senior team members are (Back row) Devin Bastemeyer, Scott Kisley, Jarod Slaba, Mike Koupal, Jason Kocer, Jeremy Payer, (Front row) Ben Holzbauer, Bob Swatek, Dan Kuhlman, Riley Holzbauer, and Greg Turner.



Team has Four-Four Season

The football team had a great year to look back on, with four wins and four losses. The team improved in certain areas. The team snatched another homecoming victory with a 22-20 win! In the last game of the season with Rock County, the players showed great team effort. With Matt Abdouch hurt in the fourth quarter, the team still came back for another touchdown. However, Rock County still defeated them, 24-21. The players held their heads high because their effort brought the team together, they had more confidence in themselves and each other and it made a differ-

ence.

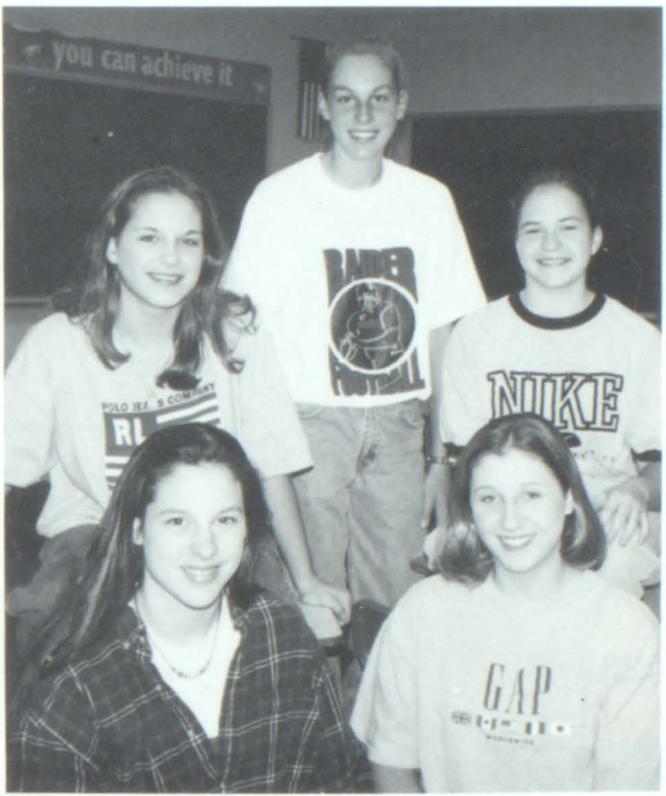
Leading rushers were Greg Turner with 221 yds and Jeff Kuhlman with 134 yds. Leading receivers were Jeff Kuhlman with 22 receptions for 269 yds and Kyle Hosek with 16 receptions for 283 yds. Leading tacklers were Jeff Kuhlman with 57, Devin Bastemeyer with 54, and Matt Abdouch with 47. Mike Koupal had a total of 89 passes for 206 yards.

Those lettering were Mike Koupal, Greg Turner, Riley Holzbauer, Jeremy Payer, Ben Holzbauer, Jerod Slaba, Dan Kuhlman, Bob Swatek, Devin Bastemeyer, Jason Kocer, Scott

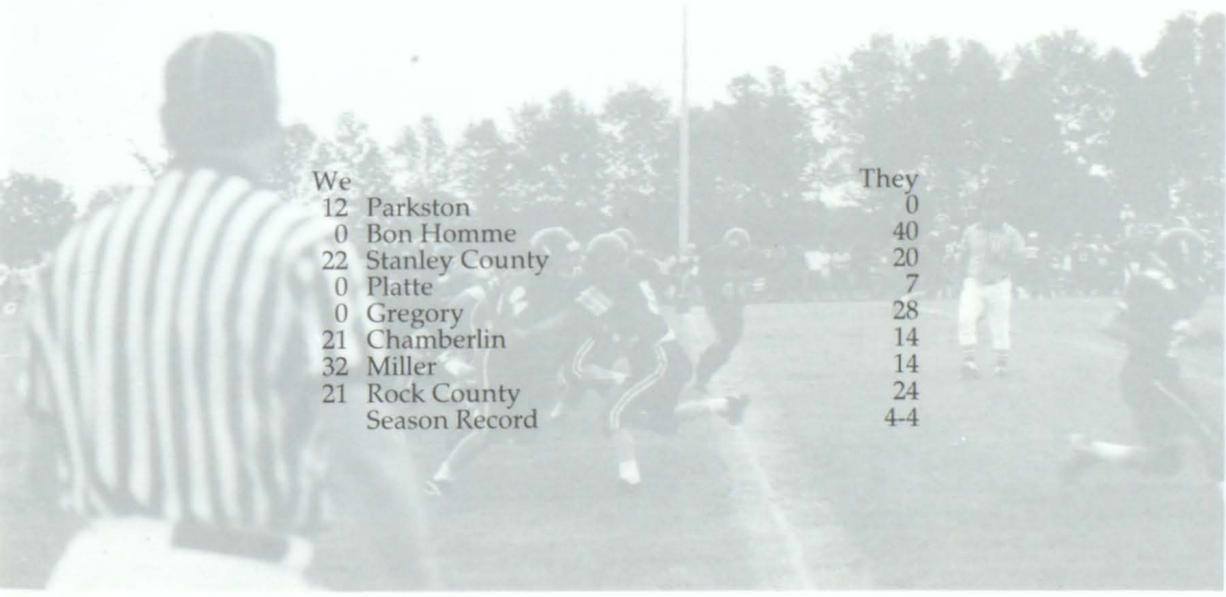
Kisley, Adam Soukup, Kyle Hosek, Gary Jongewaard, Jeff Kuhlman, Ryan Wiechmann, Matt Abdouch, Tanner Jurgensen, Zach Thaler, Trevor Scherr, Frank Carda, Ryan Slaba, Richard Turner, Aaron Abdouch, J.D. Cotton, Jeff Cuka, and Joe Kuhlman. Those making All-Conference were Mike Koupal, Greg Turner, Riley Holzbauer, Ben Holzbauer, Jeff Kuhlman and Matt Abdouch. Honorable Mention All-Conference were Devin Bastemeyer, Jerod Slaba, and Kyle Hosek. Devin Bastemeyer was named Academic All-State.

The junior varsity team consists of (Back row) Josh Beeson, Joe Kuhlman, Craig Cuka, Ryan Wiechmann, Josh Woods, J.D. Cotton, Frank Carda, (Middle row) Coach Pete Nielson, Zach Thaler, Sean Coleman, Todd Link, Dan Kotab, Trevor Scherr, Dan Podzimek, Paul Kuhlman, Coach Jim Altenburg, (Front row) Aaron Abdouch, Tanner Jurgensen, Jason Kuhlman, Nick Cotton, Scott Kiskey, Gary Jongewaard, Ryan Slaba, Jeff Cuka, and Darren Rysavy.

Football stats include (clockwise) Jen Durham, Mandy Koupal, Brandy Durham, Kristen Krcil, and Molly Swatek.



Coach Kennedy looks on while the players get fired up!



We	They
12 Parkston	0
0 Bon Homme	40
22 Stanley County	20
0 Platte	7
0 Gregory	28
21 Chamberlin	14
32 Miller	14
21 Rock County	24
Season Record	4-4

Members of the varsity girls' basketball team are (Back row) Mandy Koupal, Kristi Stotz, Alyssa Mathis, (Middle row) Manager Michele Koupal, Molly Swatek, Jenny Durham, Kandi Kogel, Dalene Link,

Janelle Bastemeyer, Manager Rachel Doom, (Front row) Assistant Coach Corrie Talsma, Heidi Odens, Suzie Sully, Kris Krcil, Brandy Durham, and Head Coach Neil Goter.



State Runners-Up

"It was a fantastic year! It was a great turnaround from 1-18 to 12-8 to 22-2 and state runner-up," said Head Coach Neil Goter about the girls' basketball season. The Red Raiders were crowned Little Missouri Valley Conference Champions, District 9A Champions, Region 5A Champions, and State A Runners-Up. It was the first time ever a Wagner girls basketball team made it to the state tournament. It was held at the Corn Palace in Mitchell. The Raiders defeated West Central and St. Frances in the first two games and found themselves in the championship game facing the Hamlin Chargers. They were defeated and received runner-up honors. The girls played with a lot of

heart and made the whole community proud.

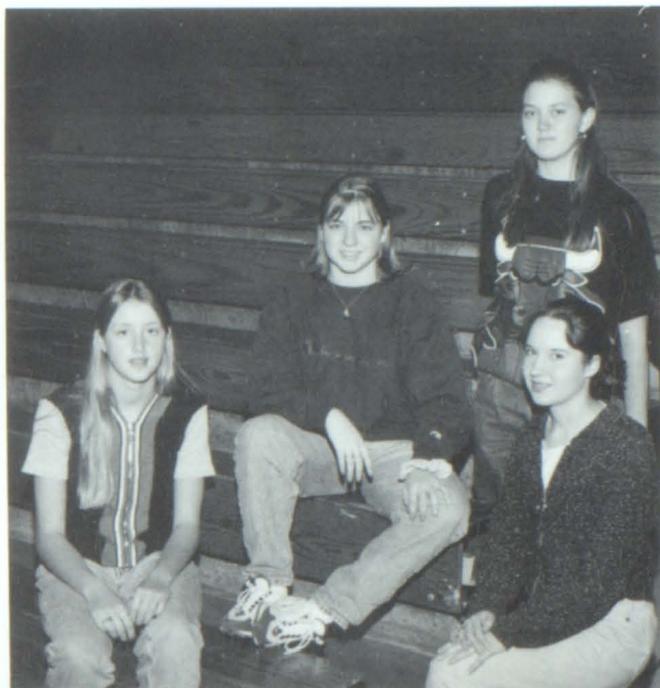
Many of the Red Raiders received honors this year. Mandy Koupal, Kandi Kogel, and Suzie Sully were named All-Conference. Mandy Koupal and Brandy Durham were named All-Tournament at the State Tournament. Mandy Koupal, also, received the honor of being named to the Argus Leader's Elite 5 and was the Daily Republic's Player of the Year. Letterwinners for the team were Kandi Kogel, Jenny Durham, Mandy Koupal, Molly Swatek, Suzie Sully, Janelle Bastemeyer, Dalene Link, Kris Krcil, Brandy Durham, Kristi Stotz, Heidi Odens, and Alyssa Mathis.



The lone senior on the team was Kandi Kogel.

Members of the junior varsity girls basketball team are (Fourth row) Robin Uecker, Janelle Bastemeyer, Robin Bures, Teresa Humphrey, Roxy Leaf, Kristi Stotz, Lindsey Nedved, Kyla Whiting, Alyssa Mathis, (Third row) Kris Krcil, Heidi Odens, Marva Matula, (Second row) Manager Rachel Doom, Brandy Durham, Assistant Coach Corrie Talsma, Tonia Gau, Manager Michele Koupal, (First row) Jenny Roth, Christi Durham, Jill Kuhlman, and Dalene Link.

Stats for the girls basketball team are Randi Renner, Lorie Swatek, Gina Woods, and Dawn Gruenewald.



	WE	THEY		
Andes Central	81	41	Platte	52
Burke	70	59	Avon	59
Bonesteel-Fairfax	76	40	Geddes	80
Parkston	69	57	Wessington Springs	64
Corsica	61	58	DISTRICT	
Tripp-Delmont	56	46	Bon Homme	68
Bon Homme	52	39	Platte	50
Scotland	65	50	REGION	
Gregory	58	46	Wessington Springs	57
Parkston	60	48	STATE	
Baltic (Hanson Classic)	60	57	West Central	55
Armour	57	41	St. Frances	58
Winner	52	58	Hamlin	43
Bon Homme	67	46		65

OVERALL RECORD 22-2

RIGHT-Heidi Odens tries to pass the ball through a pack of Winner defenders to Mandy Koupal as Suzie Sully and Kandi Kogel watch.

LEFT-Kandi Kogel looks to pass as Mandy Koupal tries to get open.

The members of the varsity gymnastics team are (Front row) Sara Uherka, Wendy Uherka, Susana Dominguez, (Back row) Angie Wilson, Michelle Zolnowsky, Molly Swatek, Jessica Slaba, Nichole Wiechmann, Suzie Sully, and Lorie Swatek.



Gymnasts Have Tough Season

"The team struggled through a lot of adversity with the loss of Lorie Swatek and Michelle Zolnowsky during the season. The gals sucked it up, pulled closer together, and had an outstanding season." -Coach Kennedy.

The season had just started. It was the last practice before the first big meet. The varsity members were running through their floor routines in the theater when Lorie Swatek fell off of the mat and broke her foot. One down. Since Michelle Zolnowsky couldn't receive an all-around score without bars, she decided to try them out. She was being spotted on a dismount when she over-rotated and came down to hyper-extend her knee. Two down. Shortly after, a meeting was called before practice to say that Coach Kennedy had mono. He wouldn't be able to be around the girls for "at least two weeks". Three down. This meant that assistant coach, Pam Soukup, had to take over with the help of Donna Syljuberget. Next Molly Swatek came down with



The members of the Wagner JV gymnastics team are (Front row) Sarah Wiechmann, Marissa Cournoyer, Tara Lake, Wendy Uherka, Haley Kocer, (Back row) Susana Dominguez, Christi Durham, Jen Roth, Melanie Villmow, Tresa Scherr.

mono and couldn't compete. Talk about heartache! Three varsity gymnasts and the head coach out. The team really had to pull together to finish the season. At the end of the year, Coach Kennedy, Lorie Swatek and Molly Swatek all had the chance to come back and give it another shot. Sara Uherka, Suzie Sully and Lorie Swatek placed at regions. Nichole Wiechmann got a wild card on beam, so she had a chance to go to state. Everyone did very well at the State A competition, but no one was able to place.

Awards were given at a potluck supper. Sara Uherka received most valuable gymnast. Most improved

went to Jessica Slaba and Susana Dominguez. This year's hardest workers were Tresa Scherr and Nichole Wiechmann. Michelle Zolnowsky earned the Academic All-State title with a 3.5.

"We had a great time and no matter what, we stuck together." -Molly Swatek.

"We went out and tried our hardest and that's all anyone should ask." -Jessica Slaba.

"We had a tough season this year but with hard work and dedication, we got through it. Our team is great and we will miss those who are moving on next year." -Sara Uherka.

Sara Uherka proves her flexibility by doing a scale on the balance beam.



The dynamic duo. Michelle Zolnowsky and Lorie Swatek were the two, injured seniors.



Showing off her winning style is Nichole Wiechmann.

Wagner Invitational	93.5 4th
Yankton JV	94.3
Mitchell JV	95.8
Stanley County Invite	Cancelled
Madison	100.8 4th
West Central	102.2
Miller	101.2 4th
Vermillion	Cancelled
Chamberlain	112.6
Regions, West Central	103.68 4th

The Wagner High School boys basketball varsity team consists of (Back row) Jason Kocer, Joe Kuhlman, Michael Koupal, Jeff Kuhlman, Matt Abdouch, (Middle row) Jerod Slaba, Ryan Slaba, Tanner Jurgensen,

Paul Kuhlman, Kyle Hosek, (Front row) J.D. Cotton, coach Jim Altenburg, and Ryan Fechner.



Team Shows Effort

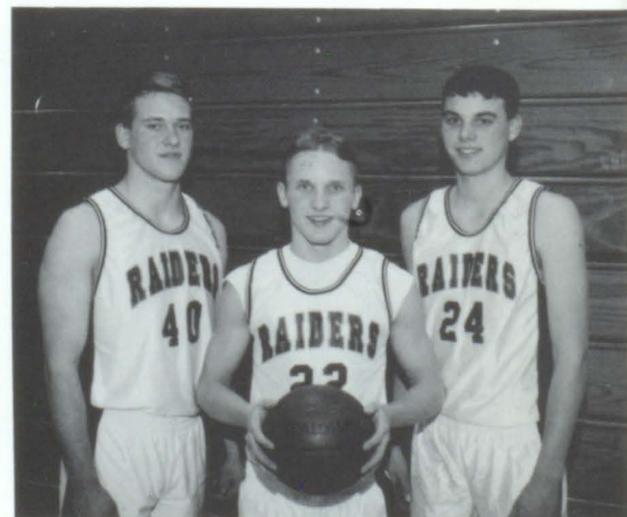
This season the boys' basketball team put forth a lot of effort. Although they won only two games, a lot of the games they played were very close. The last game played was in Bon Homme during Districts.

The stats at the end of the season showed that Jason Kocer, a senior, was the leader in scoring points. He scored a total of 246 points and he rebounded 101 times. Jeff Kuhlman was the team leader in blocks. He had a total of 15 successful blocks. Jerod Slaba, a senior, had 30 steals and assisted 57 times. Two seniors, Jason Kocer and Mike Koupal were named to the LMVC All-Conference Team. Jason Kocer was also named to the SESD All-Conference Team. The boys' basketball team had a tough season and will be remembered for their hard work.



Wagner's junior varsity team consists of (Back row) Tanner Jurgensen, Dan Podzimek, Nick Cotton, Calvin Gunhammer, Aaron Abdouch, Jason Kuhlman, Darren Rysavy, J.D. Cotton, Ryan Fechner, (Front row) Kenny St. Pierre, Sean Coleman, Paul Kuhlman, Ryan Slaba, and Adam Sanderson.

The seniors on the basketball team are Jason Kocer, Jerod Slaba, and Michael Koupal.



During the junior varsity game against Geddes, Ryan Fechner tries for two points while Aaron Abdouch waits to rebound.



The stats for the boys' basketball team are (Back) Jennifer Durham, Mandy Koupal, (Front) Tara Dvorak, Brandy Durham, Tonia Gau, and Heidi Odens.



	We	They
Scotland	51	74
Avon	54	52
Geddes	48	56
Tripp/Delmont	64	51
Bonesteel	60	79
Stickney	54	55
Chamberlain	59	70
Gregory	62	64
Armour	36	69
Plankinton	55	72
Bon Homme	58	78
Corsica	41	71
Parkston	40	80
Lake Andes	52	63
Avon	46	49
Marty	48	85
Burke	57	66
Platte	67	70
Platte	59	90

win: 2 lose: 17

Paul Kuhlman goes for two while Ryan Slaba, J.D. Cotton, and Aaron Abdouch move in to assist.



The A squad for the Wagner Red Raider volleyball team consists of (Back row) Marva Matula, Tara Dvorak, Gina Woods, Jodi Cournoyer, (Middle row) manager Jonna Carda, Tamara Schroeder, Jill Kuhlman, Mandy Koupal, Brandy Carda, Erica Podzimek, manager Michele

Koupal, (Front row) Coach Kuca, Jenny Durham, Stephanie Soukup, Dalene Link, Jessica Blaha, Brandy Durham, and manager Margo Matula.



Adventure Filled Season

The Raider volleyball team had an adventure filled season. Hard work and determination gave the Raiders their achievements. The season ended with a 12-13-1 record.

Leading the squad in serving was Jill Kuhlman with 4-4 for 100% serving, followed by Mandy Koupal with 243 out of 251 for 97%. Brandy Carda had 37 ace serves. Jessica Blaha lead the squad with 100% spiking, followed closely by Mandy Koupal with 351-411 for 85% spiking, with 166 kill spikes. Koupal had the most dinks, throughout the season she had 127-142 for 89%. Koupal accomplished 61 ace blocks followed by Gina Woods with 19. Koupal led the team with 95% setting. Jenny Durham had

866 sets, of which, 806 were good for 93% setting. Gina Woods led with 86% digs, Koupal had 117-165 for 71%. Jill Kuhlman had 11-12 for 92% bumping, followed by Mandy Koupal, who had 554-614 for 90%

Mandy Koupal ended the season by being named to All-Conference and second team All-State. Jenny Durham was given honorable mention.



The B and C squads members are (Back row) Jodi Cournoyer, Jill Kuhlman, Janel Carda, Tonia Gau, Brandy Durham, Marva Matula, (middle row) Coach Kropuenske, Danica Uherka, Bess Cournoyer, Teresa Humphrey, Jessica Blaha, Tara Dvorak, and manager Michele Koupal, (Front row) Tracey Fousek, Nicole Krcil, Lindsey Nedved, Vanessa Yanez, Cari Uecker, Miranda Hill, Jonna Carda, and manager Margo Matula.

The stats for the Wagner Raider volleyball team are (Front row) Suzanne Andal, Jamie Kokesh, Brenda Kokesh, (Back row) Trista Tuttle.

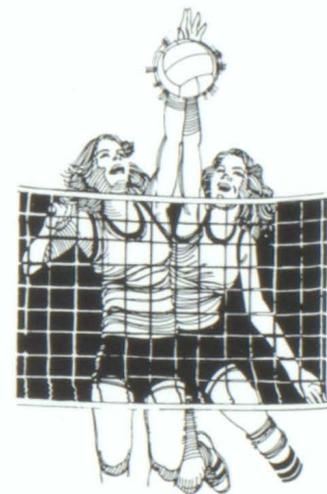


Erica Podzimek, Dalene Link, Brandy Carda, Stephanie Soukup, Jenny Durham, Mandy Koupal, Tamara Schroeder, and Gina Woods are greet the opponents before the game.

Mandy Koupal goes up for a spike.



Erica Podzimek, Gina Woods, Jenny Durham, Mandy Koupal and Brandy Carda watch as Dalene Link blocks the ball.



Bonesteel-Fairfax	won	15-6, 16-4
Lyman	won	15-12, 14-16, 15-13
Pierre	lost	15-9, 14-16, 6-15
Winner	won	11-15, 15-8, 15-4
West Central	won	15-7, 15-11
Emery	won	15-10, 15-10
Avon	lost	12-15, 6-15
Bon Homme	lost	5-15, 11-15
Alcester-Hudson	won	15-5, 15-8
Parkston	lost	10-15, 13-15
Wakonda	won	15-12, 15-17, 15-11
Winner	won	15-13, 8-15, 15-3
Tripp-Delmont	won	15-5, 15-5
Bon Homme	lost	15-9, 11-15, 11-15
Yankton	lost	6-15, 2-15
Platte	won	18-16, 16-14
Parkston	lost	17-15, 7-15, 6-15
Scotland	lost	13-15, 1-15
Bon Homme	lost	7-15, 14-16
Lake Andes	lost	15-13, 13-15, 14-16
Scotland	lost	15-8, 4-15, 7-15
Gregory	lost	6-15, 15-8, 9-15
Bon Homme	lost	3-15, 15-9, 13-15
Districts		
Bon Homme	lost	9-15, 13-15
Platte	lost	11-15, 11-15

Members of the wrestling squad are (Back row) Brian Kisely, Scott Kiselev, Richard Turner, Craig Cuka, Adam Soukup, Riley Holzbauer, Devin Bastemeyer, (Middle row) Bryce Reiser, John Holzbauer, Jeremy Kreeger, Ross Cimpl, Jeremy Lhotak, Brenton Fuchs, (Front row) David Holzbauer, Todd Link, Jeff Cuka, Trevor Scherr, and Randy Soukup.



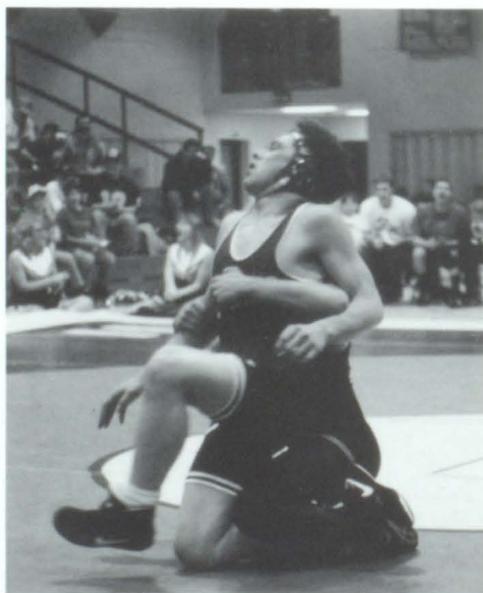
Excellent Season

The Raiders had an excellent season coached by Wayne Scherr and assisted by Tom Studelska. Hard work and determination made the Raider wrestling team a force to be dealt with. The team finished the season with 8 wins, 1 tie, and 1 loss. They were 6-1 in the SESD conference, giving them a second place finish.

The team sent 6 wrestlers to the State "B" Tournament in Aberdeen. The wrestlers who qualified for state were Jeremy Lhotak (103), Ross Cimpl (112), Jeff Cuka (119), Trevor Scherr (125), Riley Holzbauer (189), and Richard Turner (Hwt). Placing in the State Tournament were Jeff Cuka-third place, Richard Turner-fourth place, and Jeremy Lhotak-sixth place.

The wrestling team will have many wrestlers returning next year. Riley Holzbauer, Devin Bastemeyer, and Scott Kisely, the three seniors, will be missed. Letter winners are Jeremy Lhotak, Ross Cimpl, John Holzbauer, Trevor Scherr, Jeff Cuka, David Holzbauer, Jeremy Kreeger, Todd Link, Devin Bastemeyer, Riley Holzbauer, Richard Turner, Adam Soukup, Bryce Reiser, and Scott Kisely.

The Seniors on the team are Riley Holzbauer, Devin Bastemeyer, and Scott Kisely.

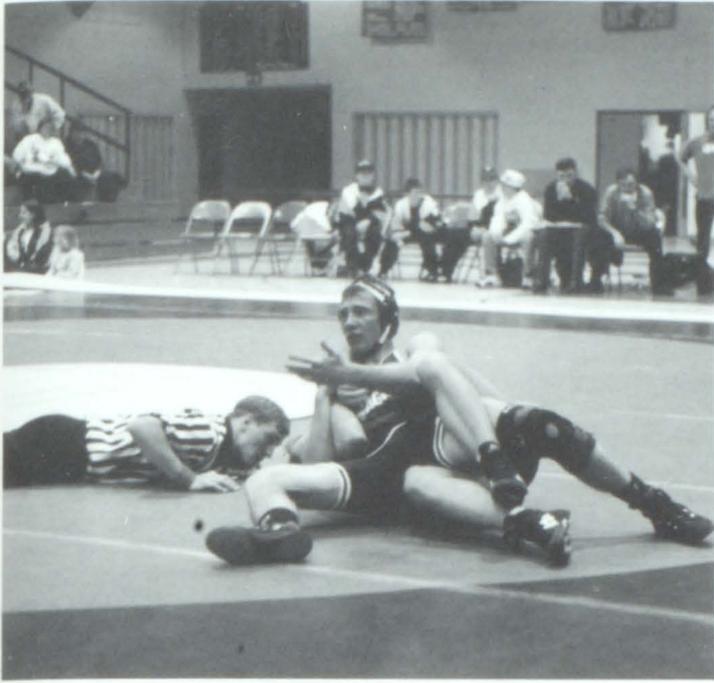


Richard Turner tries to escape.

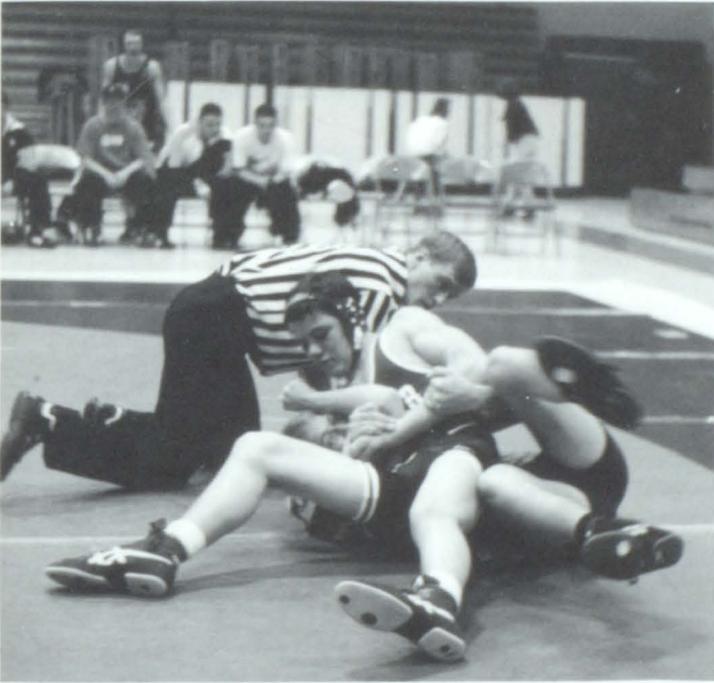
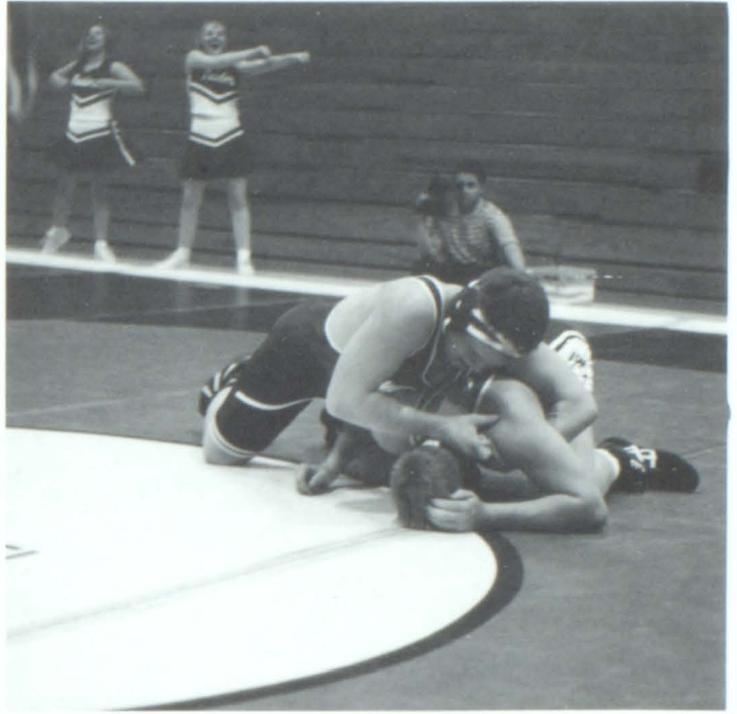
Zach Thaler is the student manager.



Devin Bastemeyer looks for help as he holds down a Lake Andes wrestler.



Working hard, as usual, Riley Holzbauer goes for the pin.



Left: David Holzbauer keeps his wrestler to the mat.

Right: Jeff Cuka proceeds to pin his opponent during a home match.

	we	they
Chamberlain	62	6
Winner	35	33
Parkston	37	33
Platte	63	12
Burke	59	11
Lyman	36	36
Gregory	51	23
Lake Andes	43	21
Scotland	37	27
Bon Homme	45	22

The girls' track team consisted of (Back row) Christina Andal, Dalene Link, Molly Swatek, Kandi Kogel, Mandy Koupal, Michelle Zolnowsky, Lorie Swatek, Brandy Durham, Coach Howard Bich, Assistant Coach Jody Altenburg, (Middle row) Kristi Stotz, Jenny Durham,

Jill Kuhlman, Suzie Sully, Janelle Bastemeyer, Tonia Gau, Assistant Coach Tana Ucker, (Front row) Susana Dominguez, Rhonda Beeson, Kyla Whiting, and Jessica Blaha.



Koupal & Sully Lead Team

This year the girls' track team had a great season. The year began with Mandy Koupal breaking records in high jump and the 800m dash. Suzie Sully broke records in the 100m dash and 200m dash. Some junior high girls joined the team in long distance and field events.

Letter winners were Tresa Scherr, Melanie Villmow, Alyssa Mathis, Jill Kuhlman, Marva Matula, Kristi Stotz, Kyla Whiting, Brandy Durham, Tonia Gau, Suzie Sully, Susana Dominguez, Janelle Bastemeyer, Mandy Koupal, Rhonda Beeson, Dalene Link, Molly Swatek, Jenny Durham, Christina Andal, Lorie Swatek, Kandi Kogel, and Michelle Zolnowsky.

Mandy Koupal went to state in the high jump and the 400. She was able to place first in her class and first overall in the high jump, thus earning two medals. Suzie Sully went to state in the 100, 200 and 400. She placed fourth in the 400.

50 Girls' Track



Concentrating hard on the last stretch of the 400m dash, is Dalene Link.

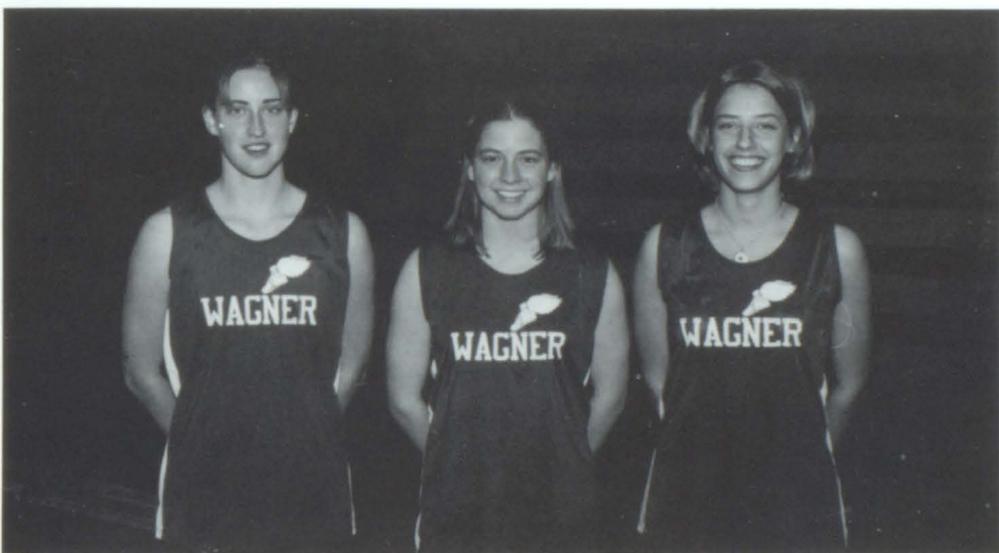


"Run Jenny, Run" is a phrase that Jenny Durham hears.

Rhonda Beeson prepares for a relay with her lucky sunglasses and block holder, Susana Dominguez.



Concentrating on the race are (Foreground) Kristi Stotz and (Background) Lorie Swatek.



Above Left: Senior members of the squad are Michelle Zolnowsky, Lorie Swatek, and Kandi Kogel. They will be missed!!

Above Right: Suzie Sully leans into the finish.

Left: Michelle Zolnowsky, our distance senior, and Christina Andal are running the mile.



This year, the boys' track team consists of (Back row) Josh Woods, Frank Carda, Luke Jordan, Adam Soukup, Ryan Fechner, Aaron Abdouch, Ryan Thaler, (Third row) Roger Rezac, J.D. Cotton, Adam Sanderson, Cody Specketer, Ryan Slaba, Scott Donelan, Matt Ab-

douch, (Second row) Gustavo Lopes, Tanner Jurgensen, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Devin Bastemeyer, Jerod Slaba, Jeremy Isebrands, Nick Ishmael, and Jeff Kuhlman. (Front row) Their coaches are Mrs. Jodi Altenburg, Mr. Howard Bich, and Ms. Tana Uecker.



The seniors on the boys' track team are Jeremy Isebrands, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Jerod Slaba, and Devin Bastemeyer.

An Impressive Year

This was an impressive year for the boys' track team. Jeremy Isebrands qualified for state in the long jump with 18'10". Ryan Fechner qualified in the high jump with a jump of 5'9". Jerod Slaba went to state in the 100 meter dash, 200 meter dash, and medley relay. Josh Woods, Ryan Slaba, and Roger Rezac qualified in the medley relay. Roger Rezac, Jeff Kuhlman, Devin Bastemeyer, and Tanner Jurgensen qualified for state in the 3200 meter relay. Jeff Kuhlman, also, qualified for state in the 800 meter run. The team placed second place at the region meet.

The 3200 meter relay team took fifth place at the state track meet.

Letter winners were Adam Sanderson, Todd Link, Cody Specketer, Aaron Abdouch, Roger Rezac, Ryan Slaba, Tanner Jurgensen, Ryan Thaler, Josh Woods, Richard Turner, Ryan Fechner, Jeff Kuhlman, Scott Donelan, Matt Abdouch, Jerod Slaba, Devin Bastemeyer, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, and Jeremy Isebrands.



Tanner Jurgensen and Devin Bastemeyer share a hand-off as they take the lead at a track meet.



During a track meet, Jerod Slaba tries hard to beat his opponents.

Matt Abdouch goes for the win at a track meet.



Tanner Jurgensen runs towards his teammate for the hand off at a track meet.



Devin Bastemeyer tries to pass his opponent.



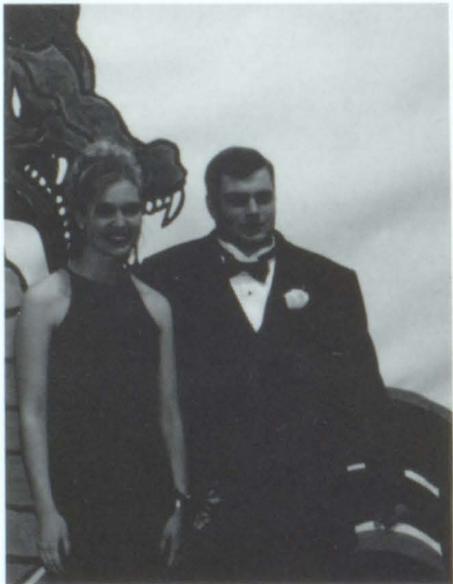
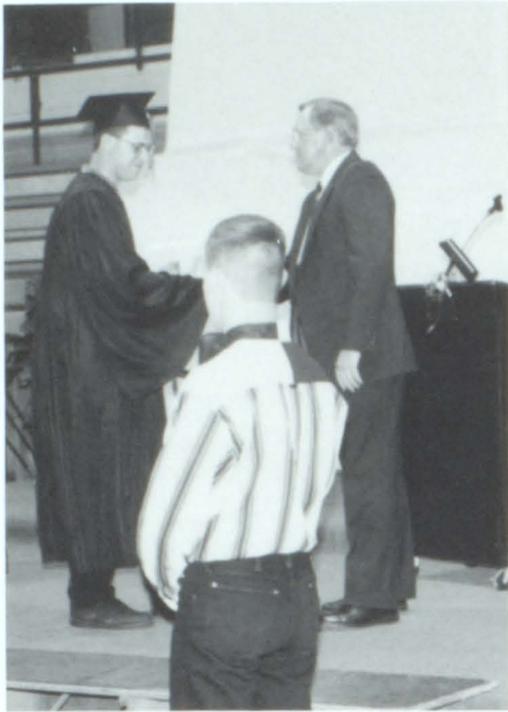
Dan Podzimek soars through the air during one of his long jumps.



Jeff Kuhlman runs past the crowd at a track meet.



Ryan Thaler catches up to his opponent.



Special Events



A Memorable Homecoming

Homecoming was a memorable experience for all. It got underway on Monday, September 9, beginning with the campaigning for homecoming royalty. King candidates were Devin Bastemeyer, Ben Holzbauer, and Jerod Slaba. Queen candidates were Kandi Kogel, Michelle Zol-

nowsky, and Lorie Swatek. The student council made Monday: Toga Day, Tuesday: Army Day, Wednesday: Clash Day, Thursday: Dress-Up Day, and Friday: Red and White Day.

Jill Kuhlman and Todd Link were the freshman class attendants. Mandy Koupal and Zach Thaler were the

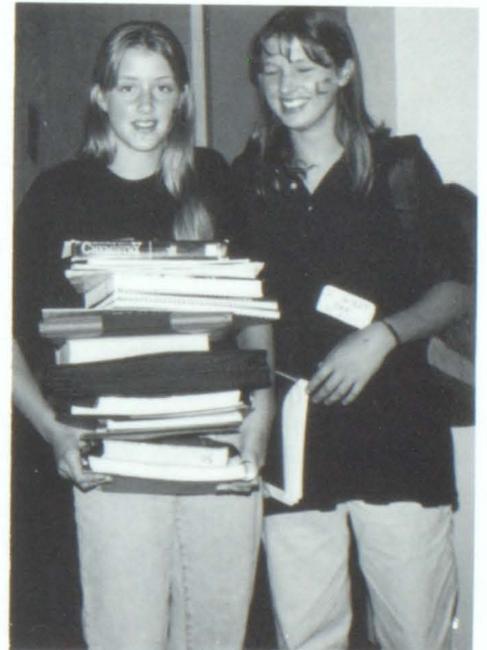
sophomore class attendants. Tami Schroeder and Matt Abdouch were the junior class attendants.

To add to the excitement, both the girls basketball team and the football team won their games.

Raider fans (Back row) Susanna Dominguez, (Fourth row) Dalene Link, Sara Uherka, Michelle Zolnowsky, Gina Woods, (Third row) Jessica Blaha, Stephanie Villmow, Kasi Brown, Nicole Soukup, Jodi Cournoyer, Jessica Westendorf, (Second row) Jessica Slaba, Nichole Wiechmann, Deb Winckler, Kandi Kogel, Jennie Leibel, and (Front) Trista Tuttle cheer for the Raiders.



Michael Koupal serves as Master of Ceremonies for the coronation ceremony.



Randi Renner shows just how much fun being a freshman can be as Jessica Blaha has a good laugh.



Ryan Thaler, Jeff Cuka, Tami Schroeder, Matt Abdouch, J.D. Cotton, Kasi Brown, Stephanie Soukup, Tara Dvorak, Erica Podzimek, Gina Woods, and Nicole Soukup show their Raider spirit on Red and White Day during Mrs. Mulder's World History class.

The entire cast of "Alice in Wonderland" pauses, during a dress rehearsal, to receive direction from the tour actors/directors.



All of the high school students involved with the play take time out from rehearsal.

CAST

White Rabbit: Michael Tucker; **Margaret, Queen of Hearts:** Virginia Holland; **Alice:** Kristi Soukup, Amber Alderink, Nicole Soukup; **King:** Josh Wiechmann; **Knave of Hearts:** Todd Link; **Mad Hatter:** Trevor Scherr; **March Hare:** Mary Jo Nedved; **Doormouse:** Margo Matula; **Duchess:** Lacy Engebreston; **Cook:** Joel Eggers; **Gryphon:** Misty Smejkal; **Mock Turtle:** Jeremy Cuka; **Tweedledee and Tweedledum:** Savanah Breen and Mateya Kuhlman; **Fish:** Ashley Mathis; **Cheshire Cat:** JoEllen Lhotak, Jill Denker, Nick Andal; **Caterpillars:** Stephanie Soukup, Danielle Carda, Michele Koupal, Dusti Jurgensen, Matthew Hill, Steven Cotton, Connie Stevens; **Cards:** Robin Kisely, Heather Harrington, Krystal Cihak, Elizabeth Hurd, Trina Soukup, Dana Moysis, Chiara Cournoyer, Stephanie Nedved, Tresa Scherr, Wendy Uherka; **Flower Band:** Erica Podzimek, Sara Uherka, Jessica Blaha, Rachel Soukup, Liz Kazena, Kim Seiner, Susana Dominguez; **Lobsters:** Rachel Pravecek, Amber Wilson, Jenalee Doom, Erin Cimpl, Samantha Dvorak, Sara Hurd, Cassie Kuper, Kelsey Doom, Abby Arndt, Laura Denker; **Assistant Directors:** Jesse Pravecek, Nichole Wiechmann, Calvin Gunhamer, Clara Frederick, Wendy Harrington; **Accompanist:** Stephanie Villmow



The cast receives a "pep" talk from the tour actors/directors and then plays games before their performance.

Alice in Wonderland

Alice In Wonderland was presented by The Missoula Children's Theatre during the week of October 21. Auditions for the play were held on Monday of that week. The play was performed on October 25 for the elementary and October 26 for the

public. Auditions were held by Missoula Children's Theatre representatives Michael Tucker and Virginia Holland. The cast contained sixty-two members, twenty of which were in high school.



Cast includes (Front row) Tara Dvorak, Nicole Soukup, Lacey Engebretson, Jeremy Isebrands, Jason Kocer, Scott Kisely, Lorie Swatek, (Back row) Jamie Kokesh, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Suzanne Andal, and Susana Dominguez.



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Jamie Kokesh
 Susana Dominguez
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Steve Cameron (Scott Kisely), Mrs. Sorenson (Lorie Swatek), Mrs. Inez Cameron (Jamie Kokesh), Mr. Will Cameron (Jeremy Vanden Hoek), and Patty Cameron (Susana Dominguez) rehearse before the performance.

“The Groom Said NO!”

The Cameron family is all of a dither! Steve, their son, has just come home, after two years in the South Pacific. He has not returned, however, to the calm, quiet atmosphere he had so often dreamed of. Instead, he finds himself at a loss to know how to handle his family who are too solicitous and domineering in trying to assist him in adjusting to civilian life.

Steve's most perplexing and immediate problem is when he discovers that his mother and Clara, the girl he left behind and the daughter of his mother's bosom friend, have made all

arrangements for their immediate marriage. In order to extricate himself from this situation, he decides to pretend that he has been a psycho-neurotic patient and that he has spells which occur without advance warning.

The truth of the matter is that Steve during his absence has fallen in love with Lt. Shirley Anderson, a navy nurse. To convince Clara and his mother of his serious condition, he pretends to have a relapse in their presence ... and then on the pretense of needing specialized nursing care, Steve suggests that they get his

former nurse to come to his home as she would be the only one who understands how to take care of him ... said nurse being Lt. Shirley Anderson. Clara consents to this arrangement only on the condition that the nurse be permitted to stay just long enough to teach Clara how to take care of Steve herself.

However, from the minute that Shirley steps into the home, it becomes a free-for-all between the two girls as Clara in no uncertain words lets them know she is suspicious of the whole thing.

Members of the senior class attending prom are (Back row) Joe Slaba, Mike Koupal, Eric Wiechmann, Jason Kocer, Dan Kuhlman, Scott Kisely, Jesse Pravecek, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Bob Swatek, Jeremy Payer, Riley Holzbauer, (Middle row) Jerod Slaba, Mike Seiner, Casey Payer, Jeremy Kirton, Jeremy Andersh, Brenda Kokesh, DeAmbra Ashes, Brandy Carda, Shiel Cournoyer, Michelle Zolnowsky, (Front row) Sam Bermudez, Jeremy Isebrands, Devin Bastemeyer, Ben Holzbauer, Debra Winckler, Kandi Kogel, Lorie Swatek, and Sara Schroeder.

The prom servers are (Back row) Ryan Slaba, Dalene Link, Paul Kuhlman, (Front row) Suzanne Andal, Roger Rezac, and Mandy Koupal.



Speakers are Matt Abdouch, Tara Dvorak, J.D. Cotton, Michelle Zolnowsky, and Devin Bastemeyer.

A Night In The Garden



The junior class chose "A Night In The Garden" for the theme and the colors red, black, and gold for the prom. The theme was oriental with murals of dragons, oriental writing, and a hut.

The night began with the banquet that was prepared by the junior class mothers and the school cooks. The menu was vegetable stir fry, sweet and sour chicken, swiss steak, mashed potatoes, fruit salad, rice, buns, and ice cream and fortune cookies for dessert. The program followed with J.D. Cotton as the master of ceremonies. Tara Dvorak gave the welcome address. The guest speaker was Mary Jo Kuhlman. Highlights of the year were given by Michelle Zolnowsky and Matt Abdouch. Closing remarks were given by Devin Bastemeyer.

The Grand March began at eight-thirty, followed by the dance.



The dragon soaring above the prom was just one of the many decorations.



The guest speaker for the prom was Mary Jo Kuhlman.

Juniors and seniors enjoy the meal prepared by the cooks and junior parents.



The prince and princess were Angie Wilson and Tanner Jurgensen.



Above left: While waiting for their meal, the tables of people look at the decorations.

Above right: The king and queen were Michelle Zolnowsky and Sam Bermudez.

Left: Having some fun at the dance are Jason Kocer, Kim Krcil, Jen Durham, Tammy Schroeder, and Gary Olson.



Awards Given

Wagner Community School honored music and academics May 20, at the Awards Night. The evening began with a potluck supper followed by the music awards and the academic awards. Vocal Director Leanne Meaney, Band Director Tim Dingman, and Band Booster officer Jolene Link presented the awards. Principal Roger Wiltz was the Master of Ceremonies for the Academic Awards and presented many of the scholarships.

Receiving the top scholar honors were Brenda Kokesh with the John Philip Sousa Award for band and Scott Kisely with the Outstanding Senior Chorus Member Award.

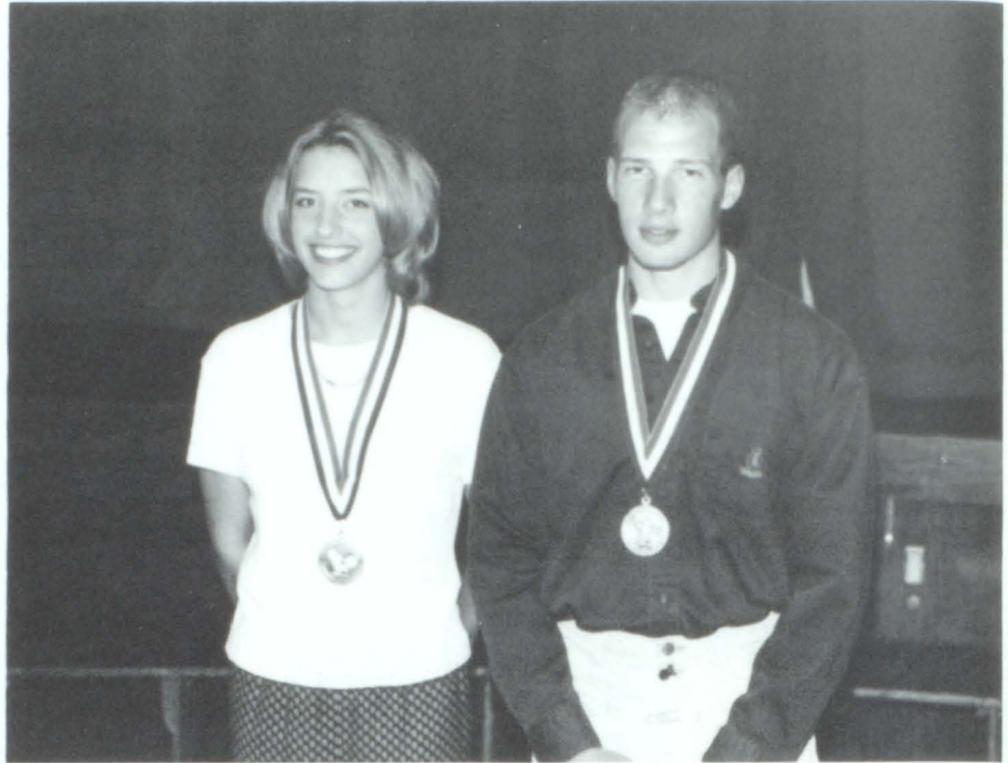
Academic awards included recognition of Presidential Scholars, National Honor Society, newspaper and annual staffs, boy and girl stagers, declam, student council, and scholarships. Nicole Sanderson received the Speech Excellence Award. The Associated School Boards of South Dakota Academic Excellence Award and the Bill O'Keefe Memorial Academic All-State Award went to Devin Bastemeyer.

The Wagner Community School Athletic Banquet and Awards was held May 23. In football, the Most Valuable Player on Offense went to Mike Koupal. The Most Valuable Player on Defense went to Greg Turner and the Most Valuable Player Award went to Jeff Kuhlman. Girls basketball's Most Improved Player Award went to Brandy Durham. The Hardest Worker Award went to Jenny Durham and the Most Valuable Award went to Mandy Koupal.

In gymnastics, the Most Improved Gymnast Award went to Jessica Slaba and Susanna Dominguez. The Hardest Worker Award went to Tresa Scherr and Nichole Wiechmann and the Most Valuable Gymnast Award went to Sara Uherka. The volleyball awards went to Mandy Koupal for the Most Valuable Player. The Most Hustle Award went to Steph Soukup and the Most Improved Award went to Gina Woods.

Wrestlings' Most Outstanding Wrestler Award went to Jeff Cuka and the Most Improved Award went to David Holzbauer and Ross Cimpl. The Hardest Worker Award went to Devin Bastemeyer and the Scott Daniel Harrell Memorial Wrestling

Kandi Kogel and Devin Bastemeyer received the Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete Awards for outstanding academic and athletic achievement.



Senior Presidential Academic Award winners were (Front row) Debra Winckler and Kandi Kogel. (Back row) Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Michelle Zolnowsky, and Devin Bastemeyer.

Scholarship went to Riley Holzbauer. In track, the Most Improved Award went to Marva Matula and Scott Donelan and the Most Dedicated Award went to Mandy Koupal and Devin Bastemeyer. The Most Valu-

able Award went to Suzie Sully and Jeff Kuhlman.

The Rodeo Club's letter winners were Kasi Brown, Sara Uherka, Nick Uherka, Joe Slaba, and Jackie Van Duysen.

Brenda Kokesh receives the John Philip Sousa Award from Band Director Tim Dingman.



Scott Kisely receives the Outstanding Senior Chorus Member Award from Vocal Director Leanne Meaney.



Delegates to Girls State are (Back row) Tara Dvorak and Stephanie Villmow and alternates are (Front row) Jenny Durham and Jamie Kokesh.

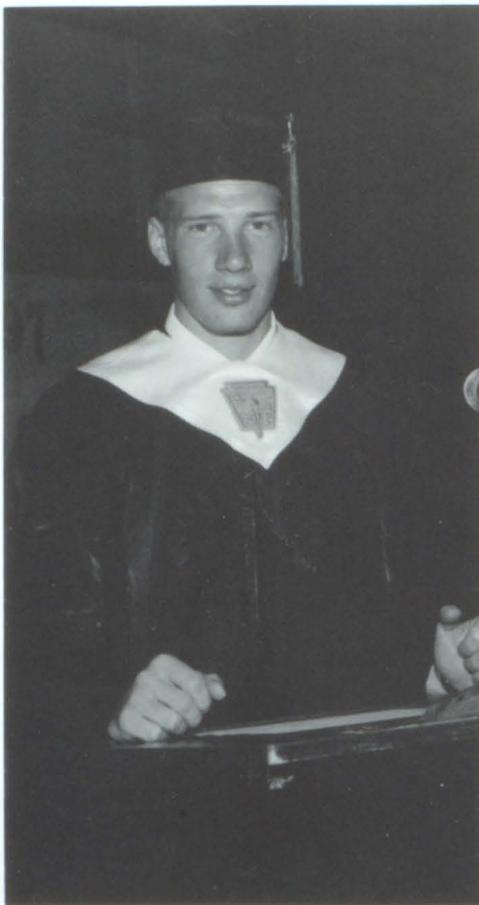
Boys State delegates are (Back row) J.D. Cotton, Ryan Weichmann, and Gary Jongewaard, while (Front row) Luke Jordan and Scott Donelan are alternates.

Wagner High School students that received scholarships at Awards Night were (Front row) Brenda Kokesh, Kandi Kogel, Debra Winckler, Lorie Swatek, Michelle Zolnowsky, (Center row) Ben Holzbauer, Jeremy Andersh, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Devin Bastemeyer, Tara Dvorak, (Back row) Jesse Pravecek, Charley Kocer, Riley Holzbauer, and Mike Koupal. Not pictured: Nicole Sanderson.

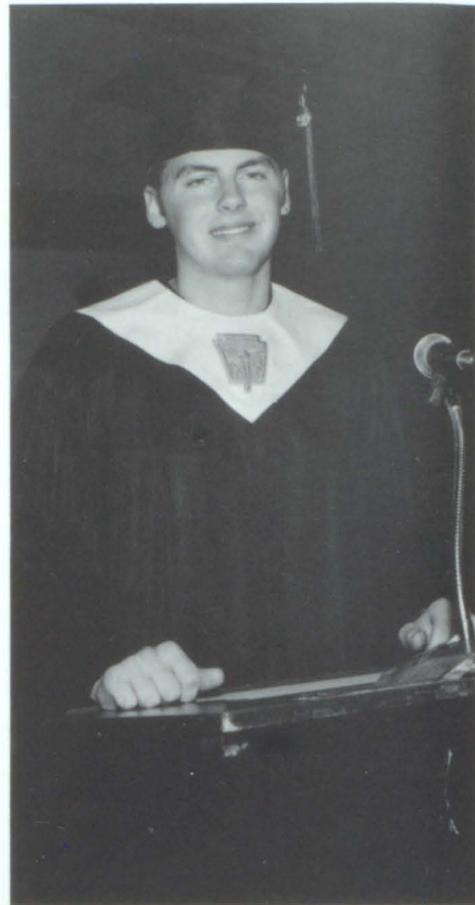
Graduation Ceremonies Held

"Live as if you were going to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were going to live forever." On Sunday, June 1, graduation exercises for the class of 1997 were held at the Wagner School gym. For the 36 graduates it was a sad, but joyous day. The commencement exercises began with the welcome by Michelle Zolnowsky, who then introduced Mr. Howard Bich to give the invocation. Jeremy Vanden Hoek followed giving the class history and the high school chorus sang "Family" Soar With Eagles. The valedictorian Devin Bastemeyer gave the address. The girls chorus then sang It's Time For Movin' On. Diplomas were handed out after the slide presentation and distribution of flowers to family and friends. The day ended with Mr. Howard Bich giving the benediction. The seniors chose regal blue and black as class colors and the white rose as their flower. Class advisors were Mary Lease, Glen Schoepf, and Verne Twitero.

The class valedictorian Devin Bastemeyer gives the address.



Jeremy Vanden Hoek gives the class history.



As Casey Payer gives his parents flowers, Jeremy Payer and Bob Swatek head for their families.



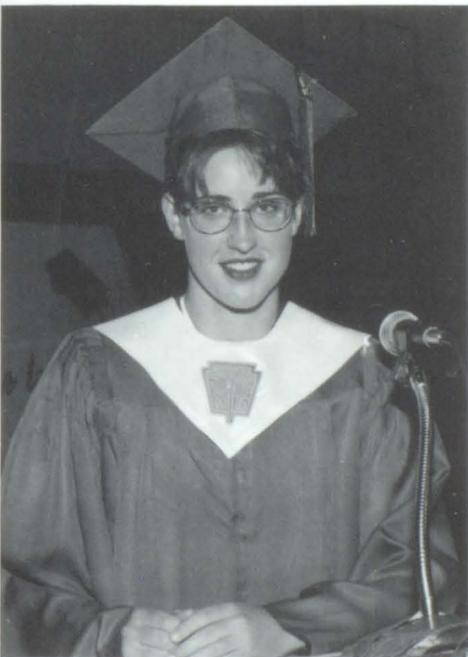
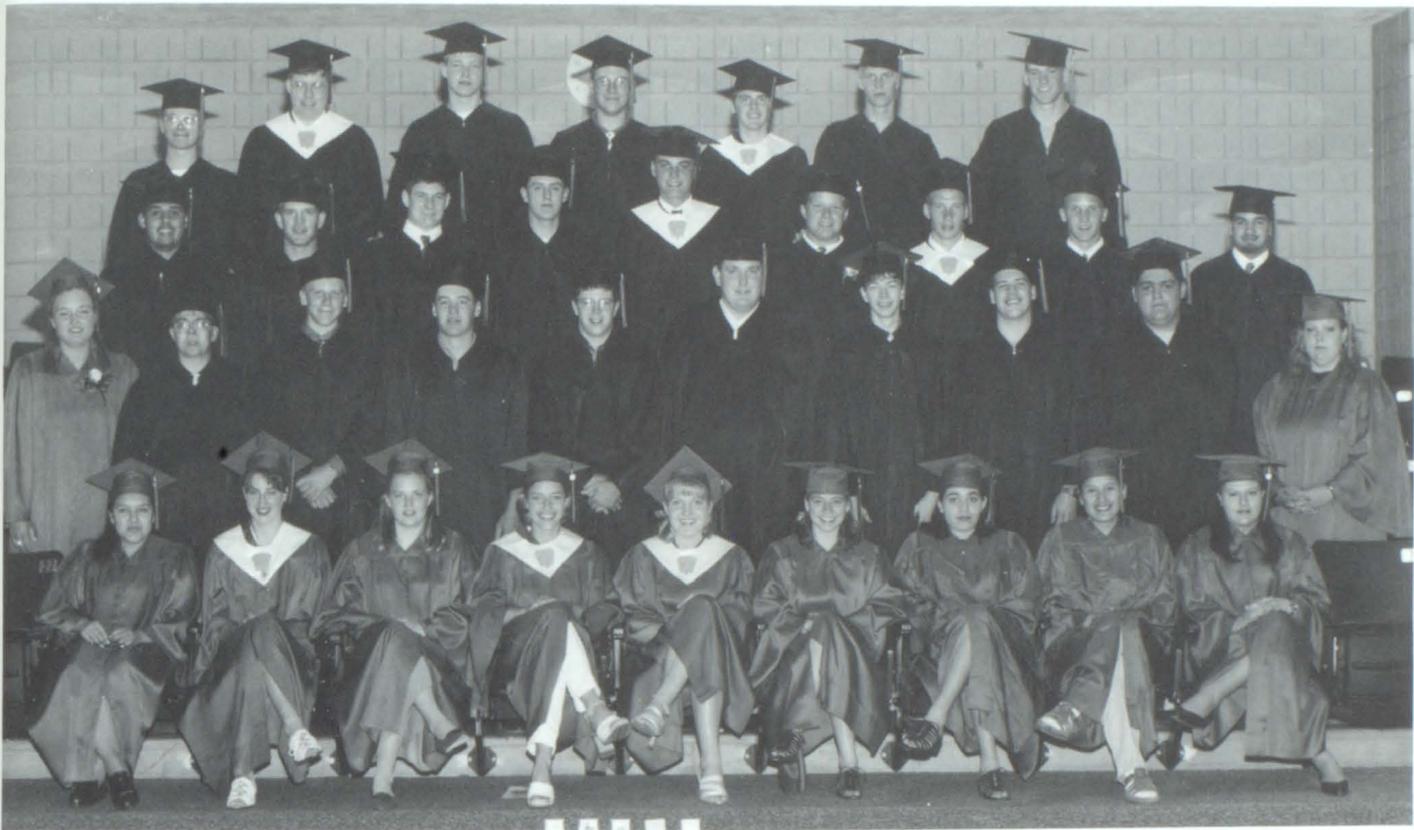
Luci Drapeau stops for a picture with her dad.

Sam Bermudez and Jeremy Payer congratulate each other on graduation.



The graduating class consists of (Back row) Jeremy Andersh, Jesse Pravecek, Jeremy Payer, Wyatt Honomichl, Jeremy Vanden Hoek, Jeremy Isebrands, Jason Kocer, (Third row) Robert Goulette, Joe Slaba, Scott Kisely, Daniel Kuhlman, Michael Koupal, Riley Holzbauer, Devin Bastemeyer, Jerod Slaba, Robert Swatek, (Second

row) Brenda Kokesh, Daniel Remme, Eric Wiechmann, Ben Holzbauer, Michael Seiner, Casey Payer, Charles Kocer, Jeremy Kirton, Sam Bermudez, Brandy Carda, (Front row) Luci Drapeau, Michelle Zolnowsky, Sara Schroeder, Kandi Kogel, Debra Winckler, Lorie Swatek, Jerica Blaine, DeAmbra Ashes, Shiel Cournoyer.



Michelle Zolnowsky gives the welcome.



The students who attended Wagner Community School from kindergarten through twelfth grade are (Back row) Eric Wiechmann, Jeremy Payer, Jeremy Isebrands, Jesse Pravecek, Joe Slaba, (Third row) Daniel Remme, Scott Kisely, Daniel Kuhlman, Charles Kocer, Jerod Slaba, Devin Bastemeyer, Jason Kocer, (Second row) Ben Holzbauer, Michael Seiner, Michael Koupal, Casey Payer, Riley Holzbauer, Jeremy Kirton, Sam Bermudez, (Front row) Luci Drapeau, Michelle Zolnowsky, Sara Schroeder, Debra Winckler, Lorie Swatek, Brandy Carda, Brenda Kokesh.

School Spirit was shown during homecoming week by Dan Kuhlman, Zach Thaler, Roger Rezac, Tanner Jurgensen, Matt Abdouch, Jeff Cuka, Trevor Scheer, Ryan Thaler, Ryan Fechner, J.D. Cotton, Joe Kuhlman, Nichole Wiechmann, and Susana Dominguez.



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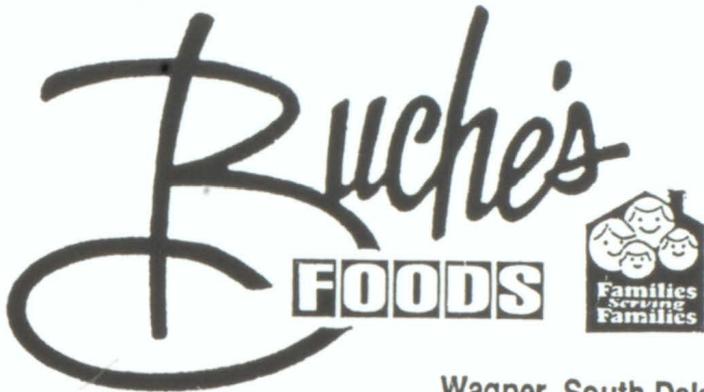
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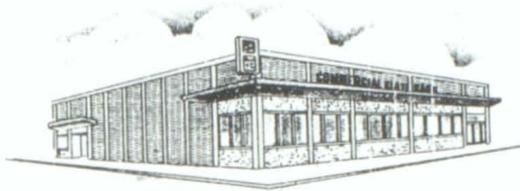
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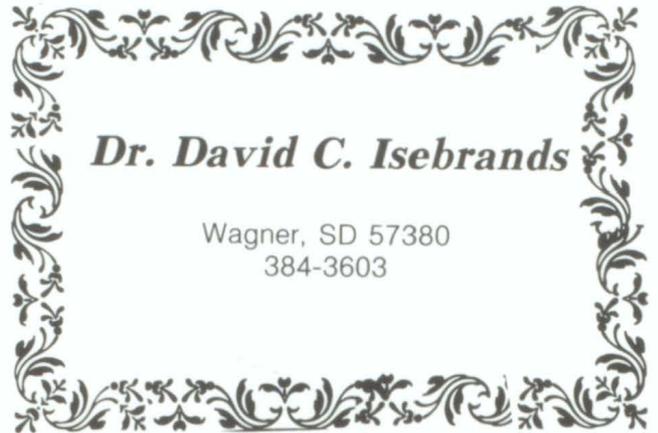
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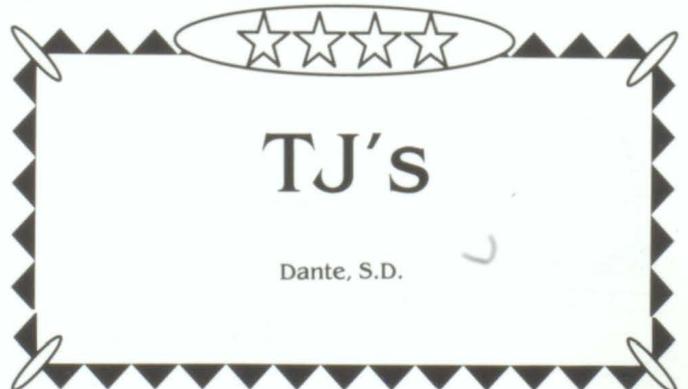


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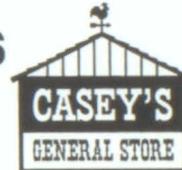
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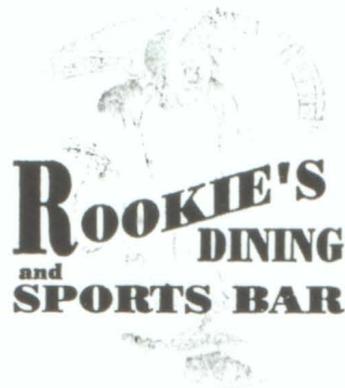
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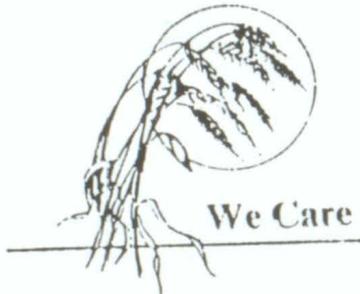
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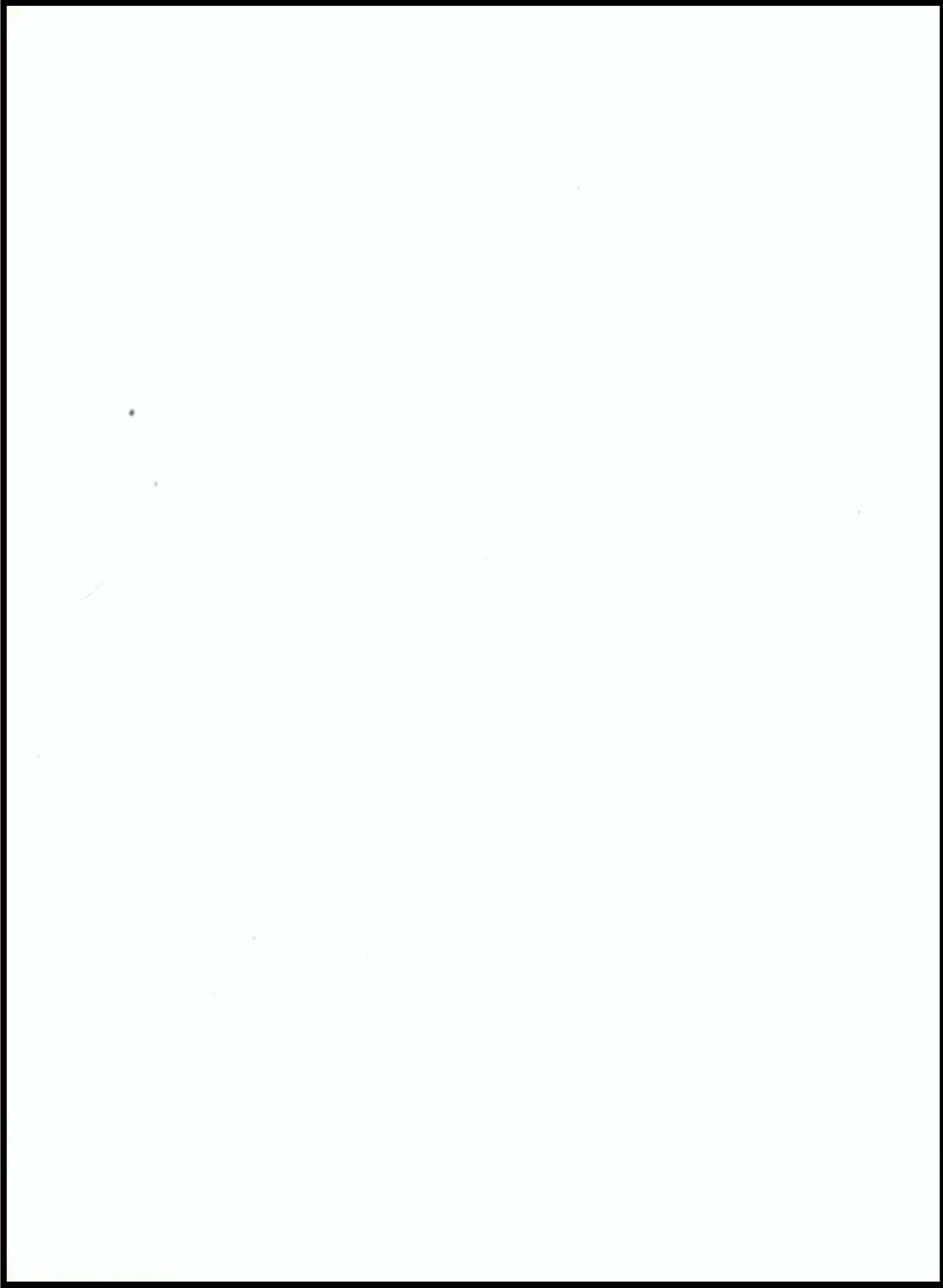
The seniors took many memories of their years at Wagner High School with them as they departed to seek the future above and beyond high school. With all the inclement weather that resulted in many days out of school, the year just seemed to fly by. The seniors moved forward and created reality from the dreams they had had. Homecoming week gave the seniors many fond memories. Special dress-up days during homecoming week were Toga day, Army day, Clash day, Dress-up day, and Red and White day. One of the greatest memories was victory over Stanley County 22-20 in the home-

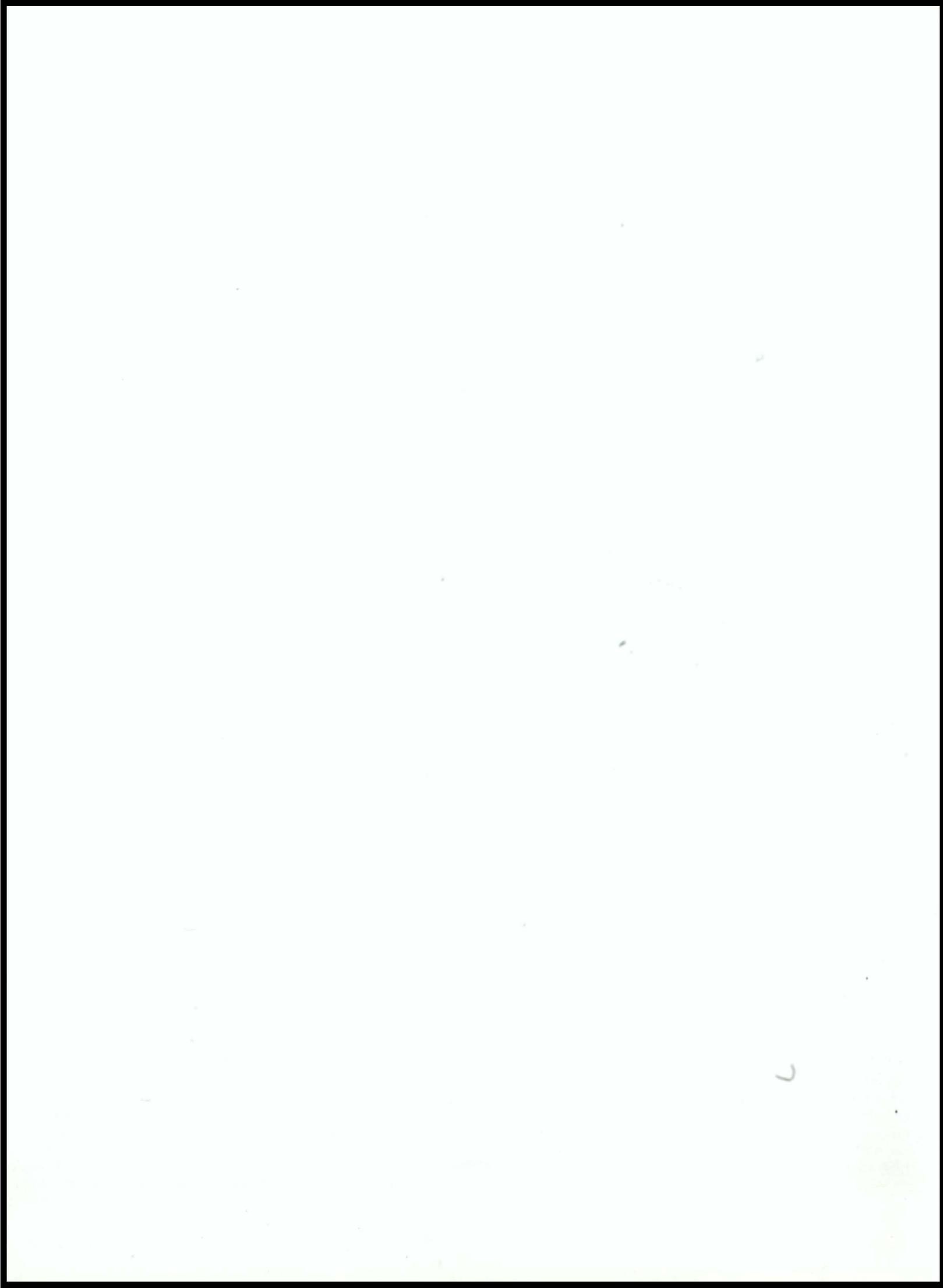
coming football game. Initiation was fun for the seniors but it left freshmen a little leery of the seniors. Coronation with the crowning of Ben Holzbauer and Michelle Zolnowsky as king and queen was one of the great memories.

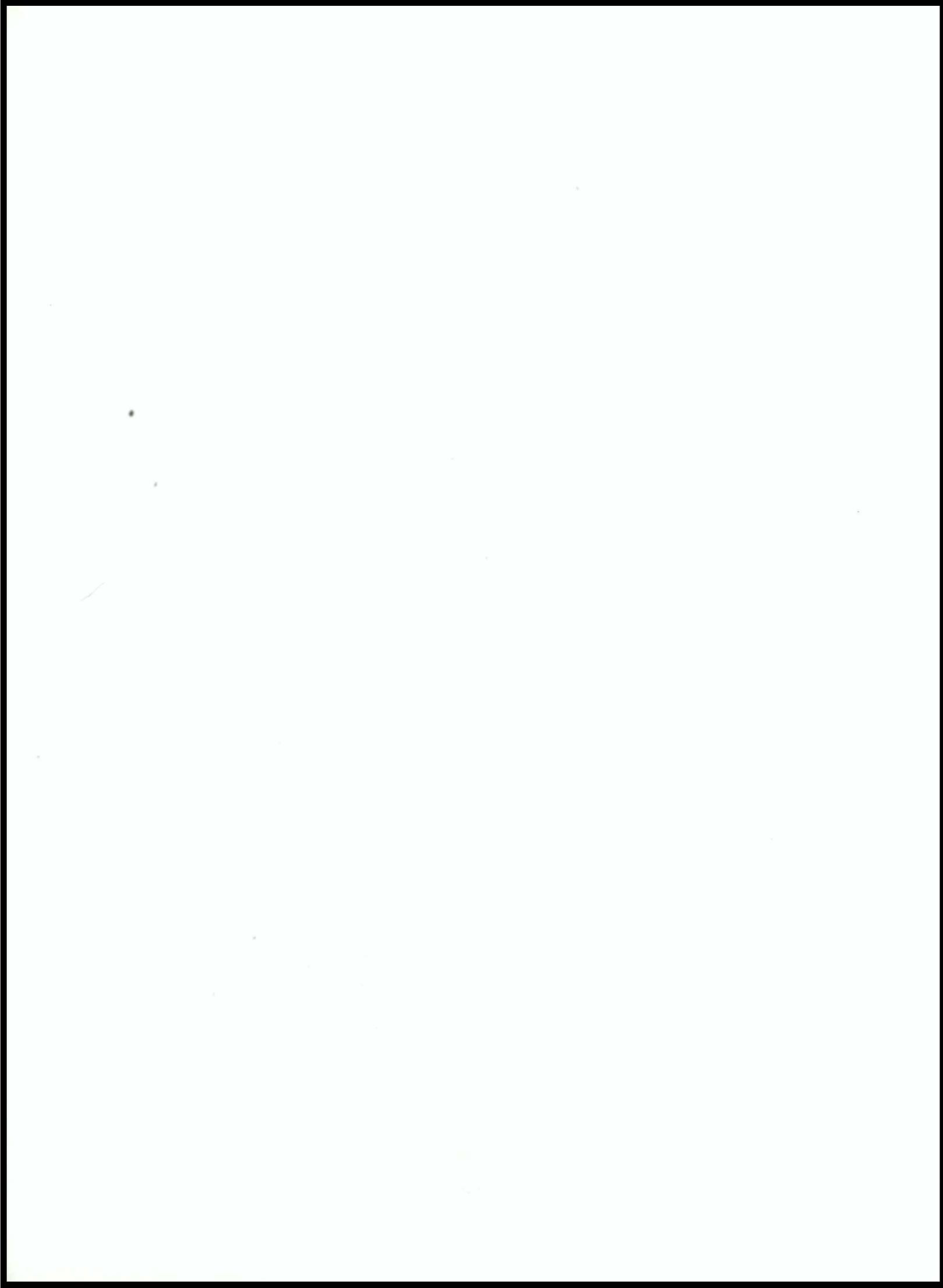
The girls basketball team was successful this year. The team placed first at Regions and for the first time qualified for state. The team played outstanding games and was able to get the second place title at state. The football team had a wonderful season. They were 4-4 this season. The cross country team also did well this year. The wrestlers received second

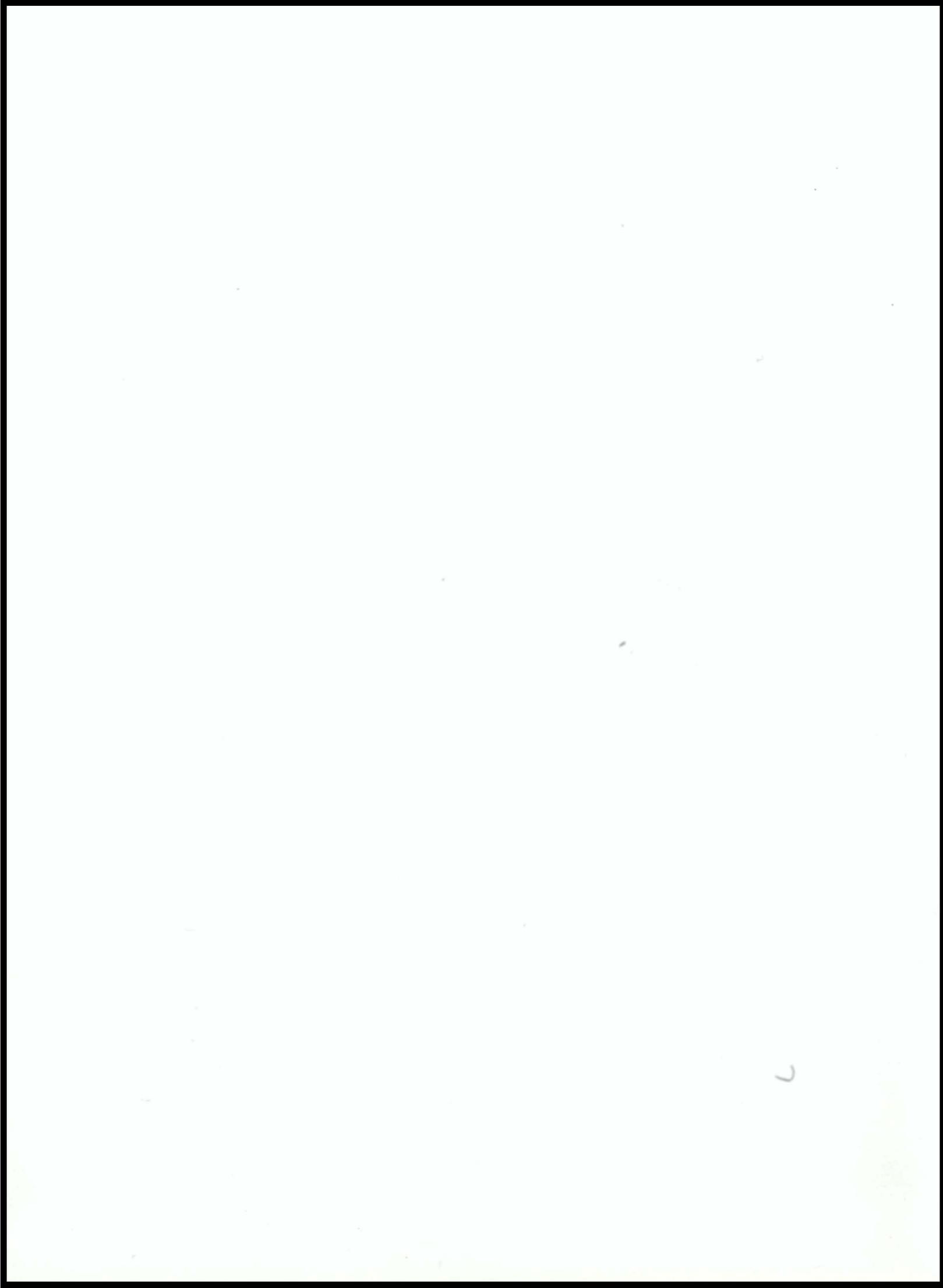
place in SESD conference. They had six wrestlers advance to state. At state Jeff Cuka placed third, Richard Turner placed fourth, and Jeremy Lhotak placed sixth. The track season gave pleasant memories of friends and the great outdoors.

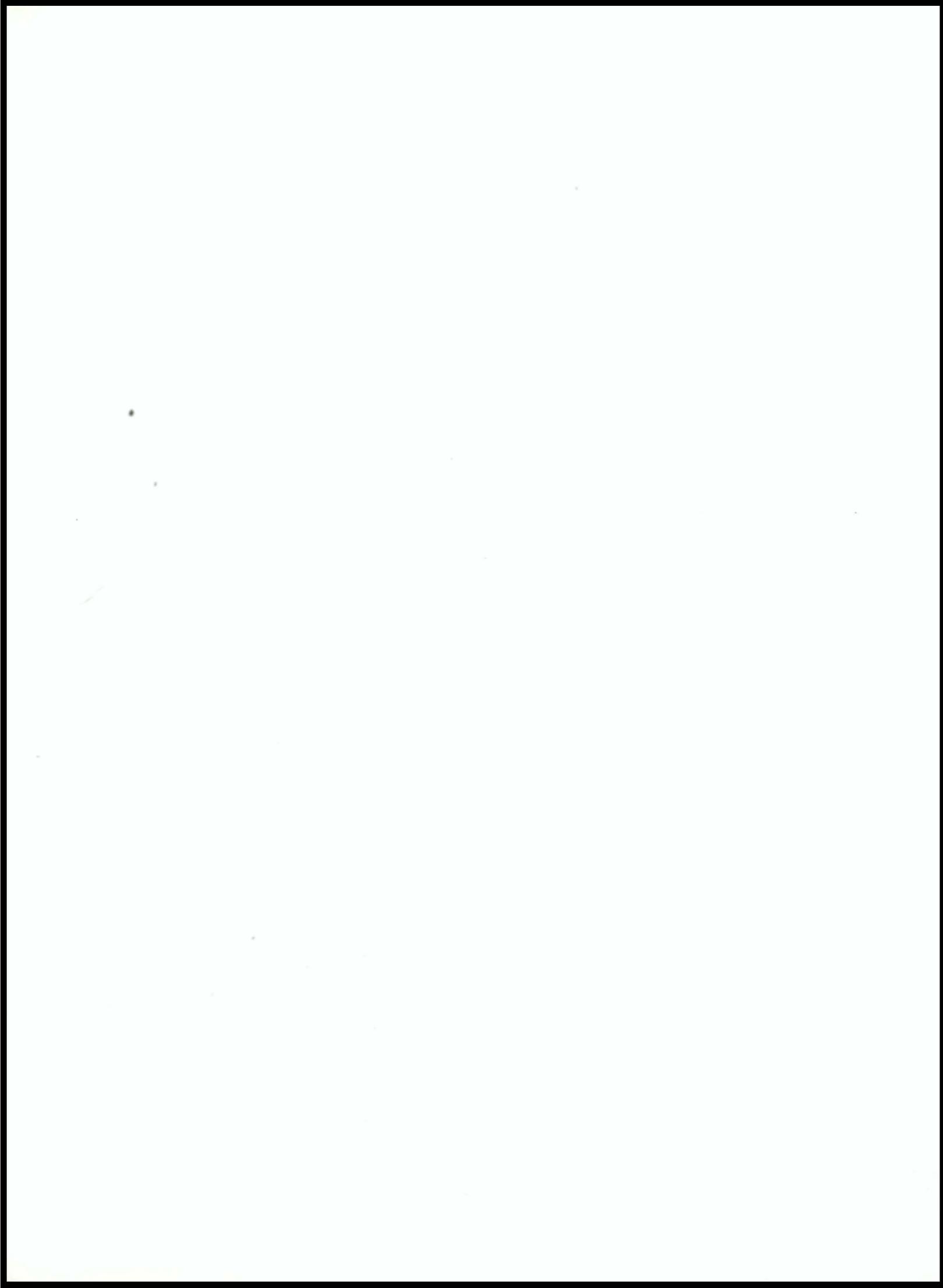
The Swing Choir and Jazz Band kept the year in harmony. The All School Play "The Groom Said No!" got two thumbs up. With all the concerts, contests, and awards nights students at Wagner High School were busy. The last months were very tearful for seniors. Saying goodbye was not always easy but goodbyes were not forever.

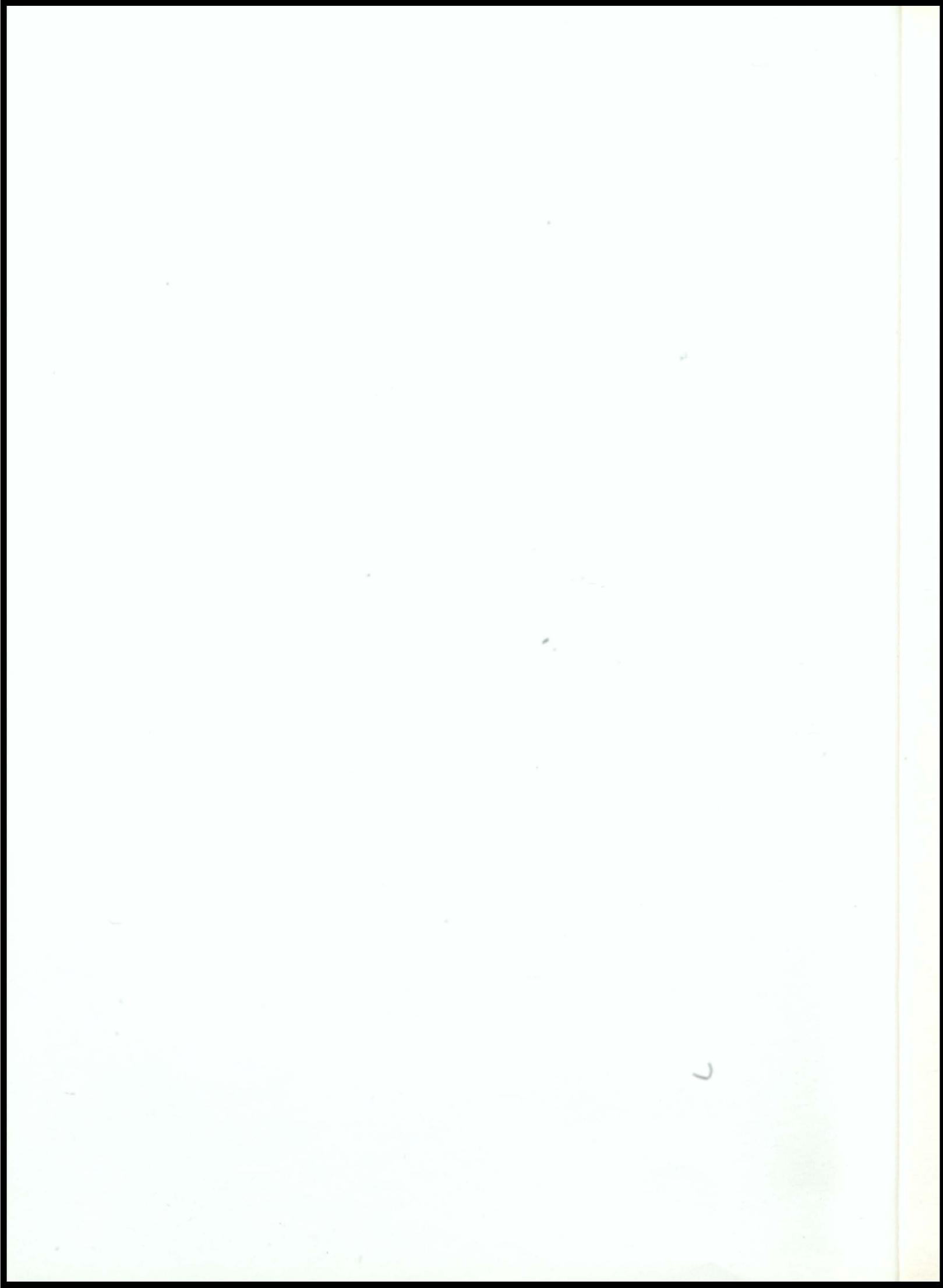


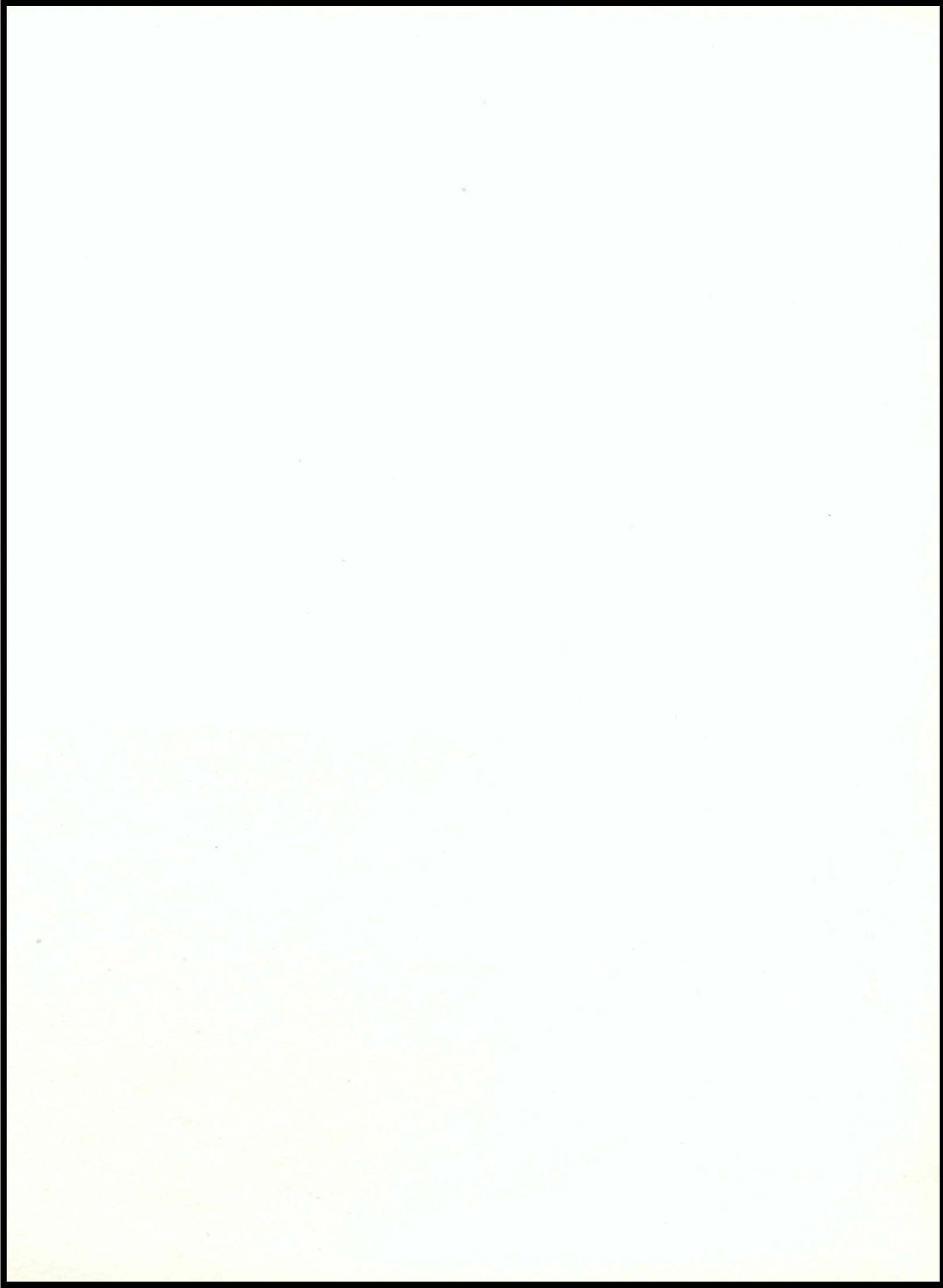














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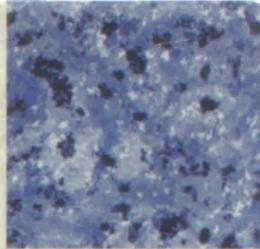
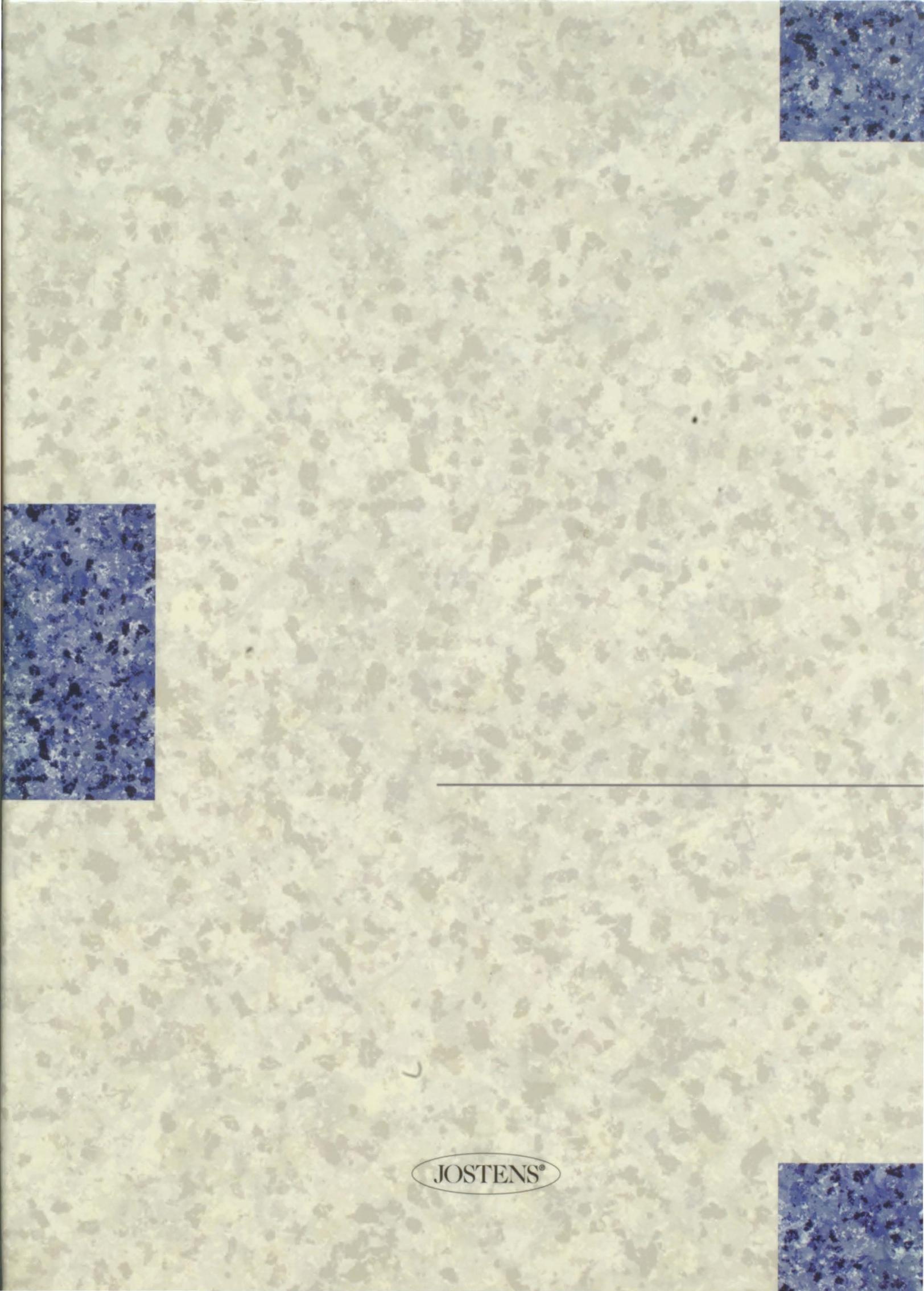




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