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This book attempts to see the 1975-76 school year through the eyes of those who have lived the year. At times, it seemed we were just standing still—seeing the same people, doing the same things, at all the same places. Even these had their part in life, part of the process of growing, and in reality, movin' on

... in classes & academics
... in sports
... in happenings
It was a year of reflection and anticipation. The Bicentennial meant dusting off the history books and looking back over what has happened in the last 200 years. At the same time we were looking to the future, the next 200 years, and for us, at HHS, a new school. Somewhere between the past and the future, taking parts from each, molding them together, came the present.
It was a year of many faces. The tragic accidents, the happy homecoming, the worried and depressed times when we wondered if we'd even make it through the day, and the times when nothing could go wrong.
He who buys what he does not need, will soon need what he cannot buy.
Between the beginning of this year and graduation, our lives felt the forces of time. Celebration of our nation's birthday seemed the year's biggest theme. But throughout we also had our own private little parties, the impossible wins we pulled out of nowhere, the trips and fun we made, cars and cycles, . . . the tragedies that left us all a little frightened, and the friends we had that helped us through. With the new school and the Bicentennial, 1976 became a year of hope as we kept movin' on.
Looking to the future, the new school, the next 200 years, only made the past more precious. All over the country there was a wave of nostalgia as Americans dug back into history, bringing back the old days. At HHS we also had a history to recall, the history of our school at 1600 Lindenthal.
The move from the square to 1600 Lindenthal took place on September 16, 1935. Where an empty field once was, now stood a building that housed grades Kindergarten—12. For 18 years it served all twelve grades, until June, 1953, the Board of Education decided that the building had become crowded and a new one was needed.

The present grade school was constructed and on November 4, 1954, grades Kindergarten—6 moved out leaving the old building to grades 7—12. By 1962 the school became overcrowded again. This time two additions were built and completed by 1963. One for grades 7 and 8, and the other for high school shop, music, and agriculture classes, plus an auditorium. These accommodations were sufficient until 1967 when the Annex was built to house the business classrooms and additional grade school classes.

Now once again our building has become crowded and we are faced with another move, this time to the other end of town and an entirely new environment.
Living the year meant living the Bicentennial. As many stood by and watched a nation celebrate its 200th birthday, HHS and the surrounding community joined in. HHS did its part by holding the Homecoming under the theme of the Bicentennial. One of the main events was a parade which featured grade school students carrying flags from all the states. The grade school also showed its spirit by painting the fire hydrants around town red, white, and blue. The community of Highland served as an inspiration to the school. Having been named a Bicentennial city, Highland held many events in honor of the occasion.
Our community

At the International Foods Banquet, students enjoy fine food and good company. The table settings help set the mood for the festive occasion. ARTEX, the makers of quality linen, know what it takes to set a mood effectively with their product. Artex is operated by J. J. McCorthy.
After a tough game of yelling and cheering, Faye Hemann refreshes herself and regains her voice. She knows, as do many of the kids, that DAIRY QUEEN, operated by Ron Moss, is a good place to go after the game or anytime when refreshment is needed.

Mr. West’s classes worked long and hard to make the spectacular scenery for “Hello Dolly.” Lumber is an important part in the making of good scenery and ALHAMBRA LUMBER COMPANY, owned by Otto Ullman, is a good place to purchase lumber needs for making a success of any creative project.

Buses take us to and from games, school, home and field trips. Without ZOBRIST BUS LINES, operated by Butch Zobrist, many student activities would be considerably limited and unenjoyable. Throughout our grade school and high school years, buses serve to fulfill many of our transportation needs.
In VTR class, electrical equipment must be in the best condition if quality broadcasting is to be maintained. BASLER ELECTRIC, owned by Carl Basler, produces many types of fine electrical equipment that execute an excellent performance.

Although disabled, Miss Larson smiles because she knows that her insurance agency is taking care of all her worries. RUEGGER INSURANCE AGENCY will take care of any type of insurance need expertly. Founded in 1870, Ruegger Insurance has over 100 years of experience in the insurance business.

In need of a repair part for a car or truck? These HHS shop students know that HILAND AUTO PARTS is the place to go for any car repair needs.
In preparing a new recipe in home economics class, Theresa Zurliene reaches for the Tom Boy butter. TOM BOY, managed by Wayne Gutzler, has served the community since 1856 with fine groceries, meats and produce.

Terry Isaak seems very interested in purchasing a television set from T.V. RAY'S. T.V. Ray's, in business for 10 years, handles Zenith, Whirlpool, Admiral, and RCA television sets and stereo equipment.

HARRIS FUNERAL HOME, directed by Roland Harris, maintains the fine reputation of providing courteous and respectful service. They handle sick room supplies, hospital beds, wheel chairs, walkers, and other home care equipment.

Congratulations Class of "76"
GALAXY RESTAURANT
Alhambra

BEST WISHES, CLASS OF 1976
Rosenthal Mill
New Douglas

WIDMER FLORAL CO. INC.
Quality Flowers Since 1870
1619 Papin St.

Bellm
FLOORS & INTERIORS
208 Pine
After a hard morning of teaching, Miss Holthaus finds that an icy, cold bottle of Pepsi refreshes her for the grueling afternoon classes ahead. The PEPSI COLA BOTTLING COMPANY of Alton supplies the teacher’s lounge and the Doghouse with refreshing Pepsi Cola.

International Fellowship Club members enjoy an afternoon in the Jaycee Park at Silver Lake. The award-winning HIGHLAND JAYCEES sponsor many community activities, such as the Highland Homecoming, the Junior Citizen Award Banquet, and many other youth-oriented activities.

Proud of its past
Showing cattle is an integral part of any fair. The Madison County Fair is planned by Tiny Schumacher who is a member of the Illinois State Fair Association.

Many H.H.S. students like Tammy Galbiati spend much time rechecking their calculations for accounting class. Mistakes are made very easily. That is why a professional like H & R BLOCK, managed by Betty Voss, should prepare your income tax.

Student salesman, Jeff Barber, displays a pair of shoes in KORTE SHOE DEPARTMENT. Korte Shoe Department in business for 20 years, carries fine quality, name brand shoes.
Penny Daum, employed at FAMILY PHARMACY, gets an opportunity to demonstrate and sell a wide variety of quality merchandise. FAMILY PHARMACY handles many products, ranging from aspirin and pharmaceutical needs to perfume and other select gift items.

Nearly everyone knows the RED LANTERN is the place to go when one has jeans shopping in mind. As Debbie Oestriinger demonstrates, RED LANTERN has all types and styles of jeans and tops to suit every taste. The RED LANTERN is managed by Henry Rinderer.

Co-op student Jayne Schreiber, employed at B-LINE, gets important on-the-job training as a secretary, receptionist and typist. B-LINE, whose president is Tom Gold, Sr., has for many years worked with the Co-op program and has hired many graduates from HHS.
The FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HIGHLAND, whose president is Robert Menz, not only employs high school Co-op students such as Debbie Fohne but also provides other beneficial services like their new 24-hour teller, Tootsie, and the very widely-used weather-by-phone which, as all students' know, can be very helpful on those snowy days.
Providing good churches

Professionals

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1100 Broadway

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1005 Broadway

Edward L. Hediger M.D.
Gerald E. Hammond M.D.
Carlos A. Pizzimbono M.D.
1212 Broadway

Highland Machine and Screw, also known as ZIMCO, operated by E.M. Frisse, is widely respected as a specialist in all types of job manufacturing, providing precision quality, dependable service, and versatility.

Joni Hogan and Joan Vosholler, employees at Tschannen's Ben Franklin, know that Tschannen's handles a great variety of items. The little and big things we use in our everyday lives as well as hard-to-find items are usually available at Tschannen's.
When good hand dipped, parlor ice cream and fine food at a reasonable price is wanted, the SILVER SPOON, operated by Charlotte Sellers, can provide it. Karen Frey, who is an employee of the SILVER SPOON, can confirm that they serve quality food in an old time ice cream parlor atmosphere.

Bob Wilke, an employee of TODD UNIFORM, can verify that they provide the rental and sale of superior uniforms. Much time and care are taken to ensure high grade and versatile uniforms for their customers.
Concerned for its youth

The HIGHLAND NEWS LEADER is always a big attraction in the library every Wednesday. One copy just doesn't seem to be enough, as Mr. Moore discovers, when he finds others looking over his shoulders to catch a glimpse of one of the many articles pertaining to school and community life.

KEN'S GREENHOUSE, managed by Ken Reding and Brian Bickline, carries a bountiful, diverse and, most importantly, a healthy stock of plants and vegetables. KEN'S GREENHOUSE not only takes good care of their plants, but they also take a personal interest in their customers by offering help in making selections.
ZIEGLER'S JEWELRY STORE, managed by John Ziegler, supplies all those accessories for men and women that add just the right touch to any outfit. ZIEGLER'S carries class rings, watches, diamonds and fine jewelry.

Music, no matter what type, is a part of every student's life. WINU, managed by Glen Bircher, is the station to listen to for good music, local and school news and school closings on snowy mornings.

For the past few years art students have been able to express themselves and have a good time in the process by painting TRI FORD'S windows for their big spring sales. TRI FORD is managed by Dave Rehkemper.
As these students will testify, WAYNE'S PASTRIES, 1007 Washington, can provide a quick pick-me-up for those before or after school hunger pangs. Operated by Wayne Castegnaro, WAYNE'S PASTRIES has a variety of baked products to satisfy anyone's sweet tooth.

One of Highland’s newest family restaurants is KEN’S PIZZA, located in Highland’s rapidly-expanding Northtown Shopping Center. Ken’s menu includes Italian dishes such as pizza, cavatini, mostaccioli, and delicious salads.

STUCKEY’S, located on I-70, is one of the many fine branches of the Stuckey’s corporation. STUCKEY’S offers gas, food, pecan products, and souvenirs for highway travelers.

SCHROEDER’S CHEESE SHOP
Rt. 143

SCHMITT’S MUSIC HOUSE
1011 Broadway

ROBERT’S CHEVROLET
Alhambra

KIDD’S OIL
917 Sixth 654-7032

KAYSER DRUGS
1217 Broadway

JERRY’S BAIT & TACKLE
1210 Zschokke
COMMUNITY LUMBER, an Ace Hardware franchise dealer, handles everything needed to do the job right. They carry lumber, building materials, paint, and floor covering.

HAGNAUER and KNEBEL HARDWARE COMPANY, established in 1897, sells John Deere lawn and garden equipment, quality hardware, housewares, cutlery, insecticides, toys, and sporting goods. Hagnauer and Knebel is managed by Harry Mueller.

STOCKER REFRIGERATION SERVICE
1808 Olive

SPENGLER-BOULANGER FUNERAL HOME
1501 Ninth

RAY DUFT SHELL
920 Broadway

K & N LITHO
814 Cypress

KLAUS SHOE SHOP
1502 Sixth

KLAUS SERVICE CO.
Shell Oil Products
FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK OF HIGHLAND wishes to congratulate the Highland High School Bicentennial Class of 1976.
ALTON BOX BOARD services Highland High School students by providing them with cardboard products for homecoming floats and decorations, prom, musical, and other school activities. The general manager of Alton Box Board is F.A. Kohlhaas.

ITALIAN VILLAGE PIZZA, owned and operated by Sam Roniger, offers personal service and delicious pizzas at reasonable prices. For customer convenience Italian Village has a carry out service and a delivery window.
Viewing a film in the school library can be a change of pace during class or lunch hour. But viewing a film at the LORY THEATRE, managed by Gary Row, is more entertaining and provides a nicer atmosphere.

In accounting class one must know how to check figures for precision accuracy. Accuracy is necessary for a valid income tax statement too. JOHNSON BOOKKEEPING AND INCOME TAX SERVICE, managed by G. Johnson and S. Langenhorst, provides this precision.

Coach Ford can afford to relax before the game because he knows that the team has practiced. HIGHLAND SPORTS SHOP, managed by JoAnn Brewer, and located at 1508 Poplar (4-9479) can handle all your sporting needs so you can be a winner.
Looking ahead

Purchasing plants during lunch hour seems to be fun for Beth Gehrig and Brenda Sander. SAATHOFF'S NURSERY is the place to go for any plants or landscaping needs.

A common sight at any school is the display and exchange of class rings. These rings were purchased from SEITZ JEWELRY. Seitz, owned and operated by Mr. Seitz, has supplied HHS with class rings for many years.

In agriculture class future farmers learn the importance of taking care of their equipment. They also know the importance of a good insurance company like ROBERTSON STATE FARM INSURANCE. As the saying goes “Like a good neighbor State Farm is there”.
Health classes teach students first aid that may someday save a person's life. Accidents can happen to anyone. GLEN MEFFERT at 2427 West Lake Drive in Highland (654-2014) is your country company agent. He provides life, mutual, casualty, fire, and marine insurance.

The waiters in "Hello Dolly" really looked distinguished in their tuxes. HUG'S MEN AND BOY WEAR handles quality clothing that make their customers look this good all the time. Hug's is managed by Henry Rinderer.
Good looking and comfortable shoes are a necessity for fashion­conscientious students. Girls know they can get attractive, fashionable footwear at a price that just fits at FREY'S SHOE STORE.

When the Student Council had their elections, there were posters everywhere campaigning for the candidates. The posters were done well but when a really professional job is needed HIGHLAND JOURNAL gets the vote.

Behind the wheel training is necessary if one is to learn how to drive correctly. HIGHLAND PONTIAC, managed by Gerald Koch, supplies some of the cars that train our students in the fundamentals of driving.
Clothing class requires students to purchase material for their projects. Material makes a big difference in how a garment will turn out. YANN'S FABRIC, managed by Viola Yann, is the store with the better grade of fabric.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
906 Broadway

BESS CLEANERS
1316 Broadway

BARNES AUTO BODY
119 Broadway

COMPLIMENTS OF B & B QUALITY PAINT
908 Laurel

ARMBRUSTER HEATING
815 Broadway

ALHAMBRA SHELL SERVICE
Alhambra

SHIRLEY AND JULE LUBER
Rawlings Representatives

Highland's peaceful sidewalks are just perfect for strolling down. HIGHLAND READY MIX CONCRETE INC. pours many of the sidewalks and roads that we use everyday. Highland Ready Mix is managed by Eugene Schwend.
Serving the needs of its people

Carl Strackeljahn and John Zappia get experience in servicing cars and customers at WRAY’S KOUNTRY STORE. Wray’s managed by Wray Boulanger, is a convenient place to get gas and pick up everyday groceries fast.

Car accidents can happen to anyone. A driver should always have insurance for the unexpected. DON MCKEE INSURANCE, managed by Robert Sleeth, can provide the protection that a driver needs.
Providing opportunities

LILLIAN'S FASHIONS helped supply some vital props for the musical this year. Lillian's handles a variety of women's clothes for any event. They carry jewelry, evening gowns, coats, and accessories.

Winters can be very nasty and cold in this area. Students sometimes find it necessary to wear their coats inside because the heating system in the school just is not enough at times. For satisfaction WHEAT'S LP SERVICE, managed by Bob Weatley, can provide a warm environment at a comfortable price.

Donna Schwend plays the organ very well. She knows that a good organ is essential if the performance is to be a success. WICK'S ORGAN COMPANY, managed and owned by Martin Wick, offers quality organs and grandfather clocks.
GUY and VICKY'S RESTAURANT is a popular place to go for both students and parents. Guy and Vicky's, operated by Guy and Vicky Matthews, is widely respected for its fast, courteous service, good food, and reasonable prices.
Miss Larson's drama class demonstrates that motorcycle accidents can be dangerous. One should always be protected not only with the right equipment but with the right insurance. BELLM INSURANCE can provide this security.

Offering a variety of occupations

Robin Rosenthal winks because she knows that true workmanship and good value cannot be beat at GENTEMAN CHEVROLET. Gentleman Chevrolet, managed and owned by Bob Gentleman, lives up to the idea that Chevrolet makes sense for America by providing fine helpful service and dependability.
For good food and fast, dependable service at low cost DIAMOND MINERAL SPRINGS is the place to go. Diamond Mineral Springs, managed by Bob Landolt, employs several Highland High School students.

HI-TOP BOWL, managed by Lester Wels, cooperates with the school by participating in the senior bowling program. Bowling is a fun form of exercise for everybody.
HIGHLAND MOTOR SERVICE, whose president is Elmer Frey, has a daily truck schedule to and from St. Louis. They make important deliveries to HHS, including our yearbook, the Iris.

High school is an important time for growing, maturing, and in some cases finding a certain very special person that you want to share the rest of your life with. That is why planning for the future is important. HOLZINGER REAL ESTATE AGENCY can help turn dreams into reality.

As the secretaries in the office already know phone calls are practical and convenient. This is true when shopping is done too. SEAR'S AUTHORIZED CATALOG SALES, operated by Philip and Barb Zurliene, provide all the comfort and convenience of your own home with their easy shop-by-phone sales system.
REMBRANDT STUDIOS provides many services to Highland High. Rembrandt takes pictures for all kinds of school events. They serve the students by taking underclassmen, senior, and those very special prom pictures.

TSCHANNEN'S PHARMACY, owned by Neal Tschannen, offers the convenience of a good drugstore by having an assortment of quality drugs. Tschannen's service their customers by providing a free pick up and delivery service.
Building for tomorrow

One of the most familiar sights in Highland, especially to farmers, is the Oberbeck elevator that can be viewed for miles. OBERBECK, operated by Bill Sackett, is a busy place when the harvesting season is in swing. Not only do they buy grain from farmers, they also sell various kinds of feed.

Tractors are a big part of the success of a farm. Farmers know they can get what they want from 4-5-6 COMPANY, managed by Gerry Beaird. 4-5-6 carries International Harvester trucks, tractors, and farm equipment and the parts to repair them.
Dale Whitlow shown here in his patriotic overalls is demonstrating his acknowledgement of our bicentennial. **GANO DEPARTMENT STORE**, managed by Gano Whitlow, reflects a piece of history with its display of American antiques and variety of quality goods.

If you are seeking variety and distinction because it seems everyone around you is dressing the same, **VICKY'S**, operated by Vicky Rutz, is the place to buy clothing to express your individuality.

VTR can be a very confusing class. Not knowing exactly what goes where can often lead to a catastrophe. To help with your electrical problems **KOVACH ELECTRIC**, operated by M. Kovach, provides electrical, industrial, commercial, and residential contracting.

**GEHRIG'S STORE COMPANY**
General Merchandise
Alhambra

Congratulations Class of "76"
**DAUERMAN MORTUARY**
Alhambra and Hamel
ED'S STANDARD SERVICE STATION provides fast dependable service and gas for their customers. Ed's is managed by Ed Kuhl.

At the auction towards the end of the year students soon find that the old saying "One man's loss is another man's gain" holds true. This also applies for FREIGHT SALVAGE, managed by Dennis Buchmiller. They handle an assortment of salvage items at a price that can't be marred.

Trucking has become a very important profession in the past few years. Many of CENTRAL ILLINOIS WHITE TRUCKS worker's are Highland High School graduates. Central White Trucks is managed by John Hopkins.

Our community—a good place to live
RALPH KORTE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, managed and owned by Ralph Korte, works long and hard to materialize an idea into a larger than life reality. When Ralph Korte is contracted to construct a building it is finished on time and made to last.
From our community environment grows our school. Here our needs and goals are shaped into a curriculum, implemented by administrators and teachers. Classademics, a combination of classes and the academic subjects studied, provides the basis for the learning structures on which we later build. From these vital beginnings in the classroom, we develop our personal interests and goals. It is here that we become ourselves.
Classademics
Class of '79 --
Not typical freshmen

A freshmen's prep career begins with the memorable first days of school, filled with such typical dilemmas as pushing pennies and getting thrown in the showers. Freshmen—everybody knows they're green and foolish. But those funny freshmen of '79 marched into HHS and took the upperclassmen by surprise. Winning the powderpuff class championship, taking second place with their "Boston Tea Party" float, beating the sophomores in the tug-a-war—these freshmen reached some not-so-typical achievements. HHS soon learned that the class of '79 had moved in.

Freshmen

ROW 1: Rex Abert, Beverly Alarcon, Mike Ambuehl, Susie Aschbacher.
ROW 2: Brent Augustin, Kim Augustine, Bill Baer, Dennis Bahr.
ROW 3: Kim Barnes, David Barr, Harriet Barth, David Bertels.
ROW 4: Beth Betsch, Barb Bizer, Marla Blom, Mike Bowers.
1) Another first in freshmen activities, couples being elected to the Homecoming court. Representing the freshmen class in the '76 Homecoming coronation are (FRONT) Beverly Alarcon and Diane Iborg (ROW 2) Randy Hemann and Richie Schwend.
2) Freshmen brewed up a winner with their Boston Tea Party homecoming float entry.
3) Leading the freshmen class in their not so typical achievements are officers, President Jim Cagle, Vice President Kelvin McCord, Secretary Kris Draper, and Treasurer Gerri Rogier.

Freshmen

ROW 1: David Boyer, Herb Braundmeier, Jim Brave, Bud Brewer.
ROW 2: Greg Brink, Jim Cagle, Brandy Cappello, Gary Clayton.
ROW 3: Larry Clayton, Scott Clutts, Jim Cole, Sandra Contreras.
ROW 4: Mike Cook, Shelby Cook, Scott Cronin, Paul Crosby.
ROW 5: Dawn Renee Cross, Angela Curry, Dave Daiber, Dennis Daiber.

ROW 1: Ron Daniels, Joe Dauderman, Kent Dauderman, Brenda Davis.
ROW 3: Kris Draper, Tom Ellers, Alan Eley, Shelly Ernst.
ROW 4: Mike Evans, Joe Favre, Bill Federer, Mark Fickbohm.
ROW 5: Herbert Francis, Greg Frank, Sammy Frey, Scott Frey.
Creativity's vital role

Whether in an art, fiction, communications, or language class, creativity plays a vital role. A quick sketch, an oil painting or a clay pot made with painstaking care are examples of the imagination of Art 1 students. While Art students use their hands to create, communications and fiction students use verbal means to express themselves. Learning what to say as well as how to say it is the goal of speech students as they practice informative, persuasive and humorous speeches.

1) Jim Cagle and Mark Ginther use the language labs to help their French pronunciation.
2) Jim Knebel constructs a paper mache spider as one of the many projects in art I.
3) Students in fiction class become a forest in the acting out of "Romeo and Juliet".
Freshmen

ROW ONE: Cathy Houser, Tammy Hunziker, Diane Ilborg, Larry Jakel.
ROW TWO: Bill Jarvis, Darrell Johns, Pamela Johnson, Susan Johnson.
ROW THREE: Barb Junker, Russ Kampwerth, Sue Kampwerth, Linda Kantner.
ROW FOUR: Naomi Kantner, Kevin Kapp, Cathy Kaufman, Leroy Keith.

ROW ONE: Ted Kesner, Mark Kidd, Lisa Kiraly, Dan Knebel.
ROW TWO: Jim Knebel, Mary Knebel, Craig Korte, Gary Korte.
ROW THREE: Susan Korte, Jeff Kottkamp, Darnel Kroner, Joe Kuegler.
Learning about our world

Government, Illinois history, biology and conservation are all a part of a program to teach freshmen and sophomores about our world. Many students found that the courses offered more than the usual hum-drum book study. Activities ranged from campaigning for Presidential nominees to campaigning for the best tree to be planted at the new school. For students interested in wildlife, conservation offered a variety of films and an occasional walk through the woods. Illinois history gave students a choice of different projects to complete, such as taping Bicentennial Minutes for WINU and becoming more familiar with their state government.

1) In a contest to select the best tree to be planted at the new school, the Red Maple was the winner. Lynn Lewis and Marla Blom promote the merits of their choice by campaigning before their Biology I class.
2) Becky Wilke and Harriet Barth listen intently to Mr. Prchal as he explains some facts about conservation.
3) Students in government find time to break away from it all for a little light fun.
ROW 1: Wally Marquardt, Chris Mason, Nathan Mason, Jim Massey.
ROW 2: Kelvin McCord, Brenda McFadden, Robbie McGee, Diane Mersinger.
ROW 3: Jeff Mettler, Tammy Metzger, Carol Michael, Larry Miener.
ROW 4: Bill Miener, Sheila Miller, Shelley Miller, Ken Mindrup.

ROW 1: Jim Mistoler, Jim Mollet, Rick Moore, Tina Moser.
ROW 2: Sandy Neier, Jeff Niggl, Pam Notter, Lori Obermark.
ROW 3: Brenda Oesttringer, Brenda Olliges, Karen Olliges, Diana Osborn.
ROW 4: Dorothy Osborn, Carol Plocher, Eva Plocher, Geri Plocher.
ROW 1: Gina Poehling, Jim Porter, Brenda Powell, Page Rankin, Chris Ratermann.
ROW 2: Dave Reaka, Tina Reinacher, Richy Renko, Gail Riepshoff, Kris Rikil.
ROW 3: Joe Risinger, Rick Robinson, Gerri Rogler, Elaine Rossy, Jane Rozum.

ROW 1: Jane Ruehrup, Brenda Sander, Jeff Sander, Nancy Sander, Karen Schneider.
ROW 2: James Schoen, Lynda Schoen, Lynn Schoen, Randy Schrage, Jerry Schroer.
ROW 4: Doug Sleeth, Bob Snider, Charles Spicuzza, Michelle Steinmann, Barb Stieb.

1) Elaine Rossy pieces together a shirt she is making for her clothing I class.
2) Students concentrate hard on figuring out an Algebra I problem in which Mr. Metzger becomes a helpful aid.
3) Jane Rozum and Brenda Olliges express their enthusiasm for tackling another Algebra I problem.
Practical Problem Solving

Seam A is fixed over seam B and the little black dot attaches to the other little dot—or is it the black square?—and the red triangle fits next to the dotted line and . . . HELP! The ability to think logically through a problem is a valuable tool learned in high school. By figuring out the answers to a sewing complication, a problem, or a strange geometry proof, the student develops his logic process. This required rational thinking will come in handy to the student as he encounters the thorny problems of life.

Freshmen

ROW 1: Scott Stone, Samdra Stout, Cathy Stuckwisch, Scott Stueber.
ROW 2: Connie Thiems, Brian Thorley, Karen Toenyes, Viola Tremmel.
ROW 3: Jean Tucker, Mark Voigt, Brad Voss, Annette Warneckke.
ROW 4: Doug Warning, Joyce Weis, Pat Weis, Deb Werner.

ROW 1: Steven Wheeler, Donna White, Murray White, Barb Wick.
ROW 2: Cindy Wilken, Curt Wilkinson, Dawn Williams, Karen Williams.
ROW 3: Mark Willis, Nick Zappia, Ken Zeissett, Keith Zobrist.
ROW 4: Roger Zobrist, Tammy Zobrist, Gary Zurline, Mark Zurliene.
Sophomore year --
A year for discovering

The sophomore year—typically, a year of learning. Sophomores discover that the classes they chose are not only new to them but also academically harder. They experience the adventure of taking Driver’s Ed. The thrill of playing on junior varsity and varsity teams, (as well as the traditional sophomore teams), becomes a reality to many of them. They realize that the year’s competition for the spirit stick is tougher; therefore, they exert an extra effort to win it. The sophomore learns—learns to discover his strengths.
1) Leading the sophomore class this year are Secretary Charlotte Rogier, Vice President Scott Kohlhaas, President Bryan Weidner, and Treasurer Laurie Harms.

2) To help HHS sophomores take that big step forward towards the driver's license, an assembly is held with guest speaker, Jerry Grant.

3) Elected to represent the sophomore class in the coronation are (FRONT) Lana Byers, Billie Deibert, Tammy Ambuehl and Sue Toenyes (ROW 2) Terry Aschbacher, Rick Switzer, Steve Kunkel and Harry Jaconis.

ROW 1: Dana Deibert, Gary Deuser, Marc Dockweiler, Rich Dugan.
ROW 2: Janet Dye, John Eilers, Sharon Eilers, Alisa Eley.
ROW 3: Gayla Felchla, Sally Felts, Chris Finley, Maxine Fleming.

ROW 1: Jerry Frank, Pam Frank, Dean Frerker, Charlotte Frey.
ROW 3: Nancy Gale, Sherryl Gardner, Beth Gehrig, Jeff Gehrig.
1) As part of health class, Mark Porter becomes the victim of Randy Daniel's first aid treatment.
2) Crowded gym classes meant that students often had to play the role of spectators as they waited their turn to get to the floor.
3) A foreign object in Kim Klueter's eye gives Mr. Price a chance to demonstrate the skills he teaches in health class.
Preparing for responsibility

With sophomore status come more responsibilities as well as options. The driver’s license, that little piece of paper which unlocks so many freedoms, is of major importance to almost every sophomore. In addition to behind-the-wheel training is the classroom phase where students learn rules and regulations. Health and PE also play important roles in the sophomore year. Learning to take care of the body and keep it strong is the goal of the Physical Education Department, which strives to shape up not only sophomores but all members of the student body, freshmen through seniors. One gym and huge classes kept the department and its students anticipating next year and the new school with its ample physical education facilities.

Sophomores

ROW 1: Terri Imming, Terry Isaak, Harry Jaconis.
ROW 2: Judy Jenny, Robin Jones, Jolene Kamper.
ROW 3: Diane Kapp, Debra Kasson, Bob Kaufmann.
ROW 4: Bryan Kessinger, Steve Kessmann, Chris King.
ROW 6: Rodney Knackstedt, Linda Knebel, Steve Koch.

ROW 1: Scott Kohlhaas, Cindy Korte, Kathy Korte.
ROW 2: Sheri Korte, Jan Kovach, Mike Krump.
ROW 3: Dave Kuester, Jeana Kuhner, Steve Kunkel.
ROW 4: David Kutz, Carole Landolt, Dave Landolt.
ROW 5: Susan Leadbetter, Lori Leroy, Connie Lindgens.
ROW 6: Donna Lindgens, Trudy Linenfelser, Ken Lowe.
1) Sue Toenyes learns what blindness is like as she attempts to find her way through the halls blindfolded. The experiment was the result of reading "The Miracle Worker."

2) Animated class discussions help students broaden their viewpoints by sharing and listening to ideas of others.

3) A better understanding of the culture of primitive man resulted from a video tape written and acted out by world history students Jerry Frank and Kirk Arbogast.
Expanding outlooks

Survey courses enable students to get overviews of a variety of subject areas. Classes such as survey of literature, composition, world history, and even introductory science and vocational classes give tastes at the freshman and sophomore levels of what more specialized courses offered to upperclassmen will contain.

Through discussions and small group and individual projects, students are encouraged to explore individual interests. With the aid of video tape, films, and supplementary materials, learning becomes diversified and interests expand.

ROW 1: Jesse Overby, Jackie Parizon, Debbie Pearson, Bryan Perfetti, Cristal Peters.
ROW 2: Michelle Pirok, Mark Porter, Jim Potthast, Joe Ramatowski, Diane Ratermann.
ROW 3: Mindy Rauscher, Jerri Ray, Carla Rehkemper, Marty Rinderer, Russ Ripperda.

ROW 1: Steve Ripperda, Tena Ritzheimer, Tammy Robison, Charlotte Rogier, David Rosen.
ROW 2: Randy Ross, Gail Rutz, Kathy Sackett, Traci Sackett, Donna Sander.
ROW 3: David Schmelter, Don Schreiber, Brian Schulte, Judy Schumacher, Greg Schwarz.
Building skills needed in today's job market

In the job market of today, students find that extra training and skill are essential in all occupations. Study programs such as typing, farming, and drafting branch off into more specific areas for different interests. All courses offer the necessary equipment and vital information pertaining to the chosen subject. Areas such as these offer students an opportunity for a successful career without a college education.
Sophomores

ROW ONE: Phyllis Voliva, Brian Walter, Duane Warnecke, Kim Wedekind, Carolyn Wehrle.
ROW THREE: Dale Whitlow, Kirby Wiese, Becky Wilke, Bob Wilke, Deena Wilken.
ROW FOUR: Melody Williams, Pat Williams, Mack Willis, Terry Willmann, Michelle Winning.
ROW FIVE: Nancy Woolford, Diana Wuebbles, Barb Yesnosky, Carrie Ziegler, Connie Zobrist.
NOT PICTURED: Lynn Federer, Jerry Schmitt.

1) Jolene Kamper puts the finishing touches on a much dreaded timed writing.
2) Mr. Roe lectures on fundamentals of woodworking to his only girl student, Kathy Korte.
3) One of the many skills Agriculture students learn is backing a huge tractor into an imaginary barn.
Juniors

ROW 1: Beth Abert, Gary Abert, Mark Abert, Sandy Alberternst.
ROW 2: Pat Alemond, Gail Allen, Pam Ammann, Sherri Ammann.
ROW 3: Laura Arbogast, Christy Augustine, Diane Baer, Jeff Barber.
ROW 4: Brian Bickline, Cathy Bielong, Dennis Boeser, Bob Boyer.

ROW 1: Bruce Bracken, Greg Breuer, Tammy Bridgewater, Cindy Bumb.
ROW 2: Terry Buske, Sheri Cawi, Ginny Chicola, Joe Chicola.
ROW 3: Debbie Clark, Terri Cook, Laurie Cordes, Janet Crouch.
ROW 4: Kelly Cruthis, Barbara Davis, John Duffin, Dave Duncan.
Junior year -- a decision-making year

Looking back, a grad often finds that many of the memories of his junior year are intermingled with memories of the prom. The juniors of '75-'76 are no exception, as much of their attention during the year was focused on May 8 and "Strawberry Fields Forever." Raising money for the prom proved to be a perplexing problem for the juniors. Of course, there was the income from the Tom's machines (the existence of which was threatened by the administration) and concessions at basketball games, but would that be enough? Added to this dilemma were the factors of choosing a prom theme, time, place, favor and style of decorating.

1) The junior class Homecoming court included (FRONT) Cindy Bumb, Patti Lewis, Tina Rogers, Pam Iberg, Karen Hediger and Sue Michael; (ROW 2) George Waggoner, Brian Halbrook, Mike Landolt, Todd Weiss and Brian Bickline.
2) Guiding the junior class through their many problems are Treasurer Rick Gilomen, Secretary Barb Knebel, President Linda Roggenkamp and Vice President Lee Schmidt.

\[ In Memory Of \\
Kathleen Faye Marti \\
Sept. 15, 1959 - Sept. 17, 1975 \\
Member of the Class of '77 \]
1) Patti Lewis and Nancy Gale enjoy another day of exciting basketball during their PE class.
2) A typical boy's PE class starts with those ever-present calisthenics, as demonstrated by the
Exercise, nutrition for health

Two courses often subject to grumbles and jokes are PE and Home-Ec. PE, required all four years by the state, helps improve coordination, alertness and general fitness of each student so he can function better. With the crowded classes at HHS this year, PE classes did not follow a regular routine. Boys and girls PE classes took turns dressing and using the gym. For the non-participants, gym class meant sitting in the bleachers studying or just visiting with friends.

Also important to the physical needs of the body is a nutritious meal. Teaching students what to eat as well as how to prepare it is the main concern of Foods I and II. Although not a required class, Foods I and II provide valuable information about the right kinds of food to maintain a healthy body.

3) Preparing a nutritious, balanced meal is a valuable lesson taught in the Foods class of Linda Voss and Linda Henklaus.

Juniors

ROW ONE: Mary Huhn, Kay Hunds dorfer, Pam Iberg.
ROW TWO: Brad Jakel, Selina Jansen, Birdie Kantner.
ROW THREE: Kathy Kapp, Judy Kelley, Debbie Kessinger.

ROW ONE: Dave Klostermann, Barb Knebel, Kandy Koch.
ROW TWO: Kathy Koshewa, Sheila Kuester, Mike Kuhner.
ROW THREE: Dennis Kusterman, Steve Lancey, Mike Landolt.
Learning the ways of America

A student's junior year consists of learning the facts of America. All juniors are required to take American history which is taught with the aid of films and discussions of current events. If American history doesn't appeal there is the option of Great Issues which takes the topical approach on specific eras and ideas. In the English department, American lit offers information about American authors, their works and their contributions to American history.

Juniors

ROW 1: Pam Landolt, Mike Landry, Randy Lauer.
ROW 2: Jackie Lehr, Jeff Lesicko, Patti Lewis.
ROW 3: Karen Liening, Tracey Linenfelser, June Luitjohan.
ROW 4: Beth Mahoney, Catherine Malan, Linda Manning.

ROW 1: Sandy Marquardt, Lynne McCabe, Barry McCaslin, Donna Meffert.
ROW 2: Darwin Meskil, Danny Michael, Sue Michael, Rodney Miller.
ROW 3: Bill Monken, Theresa Monken, Pam Mueth, Paula Mullenix.
ROW 4: Jay Nicolaides, Ellie Niggli, Marsha Obermark, Kathy Ohren.
1) Mr. Bailey’s 7th hour history class demonstrates how eager they are to dig into American history.
2) Lee Ann Tschannen is astounded by the great works of American authors in American lit.
3) Mr. Bailey offers his opinion in a discussion between Mary Tschannen and Laurie Cordes in Great Issues.
Juniors

ROW ONE: Mary Schmitt, Joda Schuepbach, Greg Schuerman.
ROW TWO: Teri Schuster, George Sconyers, Jeri Seger.
ROW THREE: Sheri Seifried, David Shaw, Joni Shelton.

ROW ONE: Makio Shimada, Mary Shoot, Mary Ann Simpson.
ROW TWO: Rich Snider, Rita Snider, Jill Spudich.
ROW THREE: Chuck Steinbruegge, Wayne Steiner, Curt Steinkoenig.

Outlets for creative expression

Courses such as band, chorus and art give students the chance to express themselves through many different forms. Band introduced members to various kinds of music and different ways of presenting it. Offering students an opportunity to improve voices, chorus challenged singers with music ranging from classical Handel to modern Carole King. Expressing originality by drawing, painting, or even making ceramics was a foremost goal of art classes.

(1) Larry White is caught in reflection as he pauses in his last high school band concert.
(2) Mrs. Clayton begins organizing the chorus for the start of the spring concert.
(3) Jody Gentleman expresses herself by using clay to create a picturesque tree.
ROW ONE: Shelly Steinkoenig, Tom Steinmann, Lee Stille, Carri Stufflebeam.
ROW TWO: Lori Stufflebeam, Fred Stumpf, Debbie Suever, Gay Suhr.
ROW THREE: Laurie Sybert, Debbie Taylor, Lee Ann Tschannen, Mary Tschannen.
ROW FOUR: Vicki Von Hatten, Jerry Vosholler, Linda Voss, George Waggoner.

ROW ONE: Brenda Walter, Rozann Weis, Todd Weiss, Kevin Werntle.
ROW TWO: Andy Wessel, Steve West, Renee White, Becky Widman.
ROW THREE: Dirk Wilkinson, Jean Wilson, Elaina Winsor, Paul Yesnosky.
ROW FOUR: Steve Zobrist, Theresa Zurliene.
NOT PICTURED: Kathy Burke, Randy Daniels, Brian Halbrook, Gerado Perez.

2) Leading the Class of '76 in its final year are officers (FRONT) Treasurer Teri Augustin, Secretary Nancy Keith. (ROW 2) Vice President Jerry Hammond and President Steve West.
Class of '76
HHS history makers

The Class of '76, the Bicentennial Class, the last to graduate from Highland High School at 1600 Lindenthal. Showing spirit throughout their four years, the Class of '76 found that even seniors couldn't do everything. First they had to face the reality of losing the powderpuff championship to freshmen. Then, their Homecoming float, which proved to be a little tricky to construct, disintegrated for the most part, before the parade was half over. Victory returned when the senior-led Bulldogs won the Homecoming and final game of the season.

Looking for a job, planning for college, preparing for adult responsibilities are all a part of senior life. But before squeezing into the tight-fitting mold of adulthood each senior has to revert to childhood at least once more. Being a senior... not being afraid to act like a freshman, pulling that last immature stunt before graduation, trying new things, discovering that some things work and others don't.
Challenges in problem solving

Preparing for college involves mastering specialized learning processes. As any good math student knows, writing down numerals and figuring up totals is a very small part of the mathematical process. Mathematics requires concentration and logical thinking. Application of these principals serves the student in other academic areas as well.

Science is one such area. Through exploring, experimenting, and clear thinking, the science student studies the relationships among the elements of the universe. Depending upon which course he takes, he may become familiar with animal behavior, chemical equations, or energy transformations. By employing the scientific method of formulating a hypothesis, testing it, and then accepting, revising, or rejecting it, the science student, like the math student, is able to solve everyday problems in life.
1) Brian Bickline searches for specimens on one of several Biology II fieldtrips.  
2) Mark Tucker carefully beats his experiment for his Physics class.  
3) Students find that trigonometry is the type of class that really puts the brain to use.
AVHS for the career-bound

Upon choosing a career for his life, the student seeks training and background in his special area. If it is not offered here at HHS, where does one go to get it? Area Vocational High School in Collinsville offers juniors and seniors classes on everything from building a house to commercial art and provides the background and training needed to find a job.

Seniors

Wayne Frey  Tammy Galbiati  Debra Garland  Pat Gibbons
Keith Giger  Sally Ginter  Ric Gonzales  Julie Gramlich
Rhonda Gruner  Kathy Grzyb  Don Gunter  Dennis Haenny
1) Donald Crouch concentrates on one of many projects for AVHS. 
2) Lockers are a part of every school. 
3) The entrance to AVHS became a very familiar sight to those who journeyed every day to a school away from school. 
4) With pencil in hand, Carl Schulte begins to design a possible office building.
Vocational training on the HHS campus

Instead of journeying daily to AVHS, many students take advantage of the courses offered here at HHS. Courses ranging from typing to welding provided the equipment and information necessary for proper training in specific areas. In the job market today, training in certain areas is essential for a good job.
1) Welding takes a steady eye and hand for a superb job.
2) Brenda Herzberg seems to enjoy doing shorthand, a basic skill for many office occupations.
3) Proper equipment is a necessity for learning skills in shop.
4) Gerald Lesicko learns to use the dictaphone in his business machines class.
Seniors

Nancy Keith
Carolyn Keltner
Karen King
Karla Klaus

Vicki Klenke
Ken Klostermann
John Knebel
Bob Koch

Jody Koehler
Pat Korte
Wayne Korte
Laura Kovach

Pam Kraigher
Lori Krump
Ken Kunkel
Jack Landolt
Learning, earning through Co-op

Combine half a day of classes with one-half day of work. The result—Co-op, a class designed for seniors to prepare them for future occupations. Co-op students also have to attend a class associated with their kind of work to further their knowledge and skills about their area. This way, students can earn money as well as experience.

1) Peggy Morgan, Cheryl McCord and Jody Koehler find time to relax and talk in their Distributive Education class.
2) Jayne Schreiber and Mitzi Harms discuss some important facts concerning their work.
1) Teri Augustin concentrates on one of many advanced composition assignments.

2) Mike Leopold puts finishing touches on the Paw Print.

3) Sheri Cawi and Kay Hundsdorfer perform a skit for their drama class.
Developing competence in language skills

Correct use of words, as well as providing a brief study of great literature is the main concern of the English Department. Usually a student finds himself taking at least one credit of English each year, making the English Department one of the largest in the school. Proper writing and speaking skills are very important in any occupation.
Social studies involves everyone at one time or another. The main object of this subject is to inform students about the problems in the world and the rights they have as a citizen of the U.S. Some classes involved working with different people in different environments. Others meant rapping about world problems and how to solve them. It gave students a chance to get involved with their surroundings.
1) Terri Wenzel clearly states her opinion as Dan Michael and Keith Byers back her up in a debate in sociology.
2) World Problems often met in the library for brief discussions while references were close at hand.
3) Steve White has a "huddle" with his team of grade schoolers before putting on a play as a project for his psychology class.
1) Even though not on camera Shelly Stienkienig strikes an interesting pose in V.T.R. class.
2) Miss Holthaus reflects the frustrations of trying to work out a student's schedule.
3) Advisor Mr. Ott and Co-editor Julie Gramlich discuss an issue of the Paw Print.
4) Barb Bosche is caught in a pensive moment.
Struggling with routine

Day in day out the same routine. Struggling to break the cycle, sometimes becoming bored, sometimes turning to pure escapism.
Finding the loopholes

Escape. Students finding the escape hatch from the doldrums of school life. Breaking the monotony by clowning in class or just plain taking a break from class routine.

Seniors

Joan Vosholler  Jan Walter  Carol Warnecke  Sheryl Warnecke  Mike Weidner
Ken Weis  Terri Wenzel  Bob Wessel  Lisa West  Steven West
1) A favorite loophole in the daily routine is an assembly. This assembly was during NHS' breakaway week.
2) Lee Schmidt gives up on the struggle to break his routine.
3) Jody Koehler gazes intently at the wonders of her hand.
4) While dissecting a fetal pig, Alan Stracklejahn takes time out to entertain his classmates.

NOT PICTURED: Joanne Baer, Jody Eaves, Bob Kantner, Jeff Croak, Panlette Plog.
Administrators finalize plans for new school

With the building project well under way, administrative attentions focused on equipping the new school. Board members met with each academic department to discuss plans for the '76-'77 school year. Bids were accepted and the needed equipment and furniture purchased. New policies to be initiated were established. And despite much student controversy, administration held strong to their chosen closed campus decision.

Faculty

MRS. GLORIA B. ALARCON
BA, Washington University

MRS. BARBARA J. AUD
BS, Southern Illinois University

MR. DAVID BAILEY
BA, McKendree College

MR. ARLEN BAKER
BS, Eastern Illinois University
Office Occupation, Merchandising, Distributive Education. Advisor: Office Occupations, Distributive Education and Cooperative Vocational Education Clubs.

MRS. SHIRLEY J. BASTILLA
BA, Southern Illinois University

MR. CHARLIE P. BENNETT
MA, Georgia Teachers College
Physical Education. Coach: Track.

Olin W. Stratton, Superintendent

Fred W. Singleton, Assistant Principal
Playing an important part of preparing for the new school are board members Mr. Virgil Suhre, Mr. Robert Hosto, Mr. Richard Schrumpf, Mr. Ronald Hemann, Mr. Howard Robertson, Mr. Carl Baumann, President Eugene Meffert and Superintendent Olin Stratton.

Faculty

MRS. CINDY BOLLING
BS, Southern Illinois University
American Literature, Survey of Literature, Composition I. Advisor: Freshman Class.

MRS. VICKI BORN
BA, University of Illinois
Communications, Composition I, English Literature, Fiction.

MR. LARRY BURKE
BA, Eastern Illinois University, MS, University of Missouri
TV Production. Advisor: VTR.

MRS. BARBARA BYFORD
BS, Eastern Illinois University
Typing I & II, Business English, Consumer Economics. Advisor: Senior Class.

Secretaries Sherry Mason and Judie Kruetzberg handle all the paperwork in the high school office.
Faculty important to school program

An ever-present figure in the life of a student, both in and out of the class, is the teacher. The responsibilities of this much-joked about individual extend far beyond the walls of the classroom. Many teachers sponsor clubs or classes, coach athletic teams, help with the musical, or just support school events with their attendance. During 1976, the duties of the teachers expanded as they hustled about in preparation for the big move to the new school. Packing boxes, empty shelves, and the various academic departments were all evidence of the transfer.

Faculty

MRS. MARJORY E. CLAYTON
BS, Greenville College
Treble Choir, Mixed Choir, Swing Choir, Spirit of '76, New Tones & Friends.

MR. TOM DAHNCKE
BS & MS, Southern Illinois University-E

MRS. JEANNE EARDLEY
RN, Evangelical Deaconess Hospital
Health Co-op. Advisor: FMCC.

MR. STEVE FORD
BS, Illinois State University
Boys Physical Education, Drivers Education. Coach: Baseball.

MRS. GERRIE GRADLE
BS, University of Missouri
Special Education.

MR. BRENT GRODEON
BA, Southern Illinois University, MS, Illinois State University
Biology I & Living Biology. Advisor: Junior Class.

MRS. LINDA HARDIN
BS, University of Illinois
Librarian.

MRS. SHARON HARGUS
BS, Southeast Missouri State College, MS, Southern Illinois University-E
Foods I, II & III. Advisor: FHA.

MR. JOHN HESTER
BS, Southeast Missouri State University, MS, Southern Illinois University
Calculus, Vocational Math and Geometry. Advisor: Senior Class.
Faculty

MISS NONA HOLMSTROM
BS, Iowa State University

MISS CHRISTINE HOLTHAUS
BS & MS, Northeast Missouri State University
German I, II, III, IV, & Composition I. Advisor: German Club.

MR. JERRY L. HOMANN
BS, Southern Illinois University, MS, Southern Illinois University-E
Guidance Counselor.

MRS. CARY IFTNER
BS, Eastern Illinois University, MS, Southern Illinois University-E

1) Mr. Hester finds quiet time in the library during a free hour to help math student, Kris Rikli, prepare for a test.
2) Football and Wrestling Coach Monken boards the bus for another event.
3) Athletic director, Mr. Prchal, examines new gym equipment for possible purchase.
4) Mrs. Bolling judges the trial scene from "Twelve Angry Men," re-enacted by witness Marty Rinderer and prosecuting attorney Rich Dugan (standing).
Faculty

MR. LARRY IFTNER

MISS ANN KRAEMER
BA, Millikin University, MS, University of Illinois Art I, II, III & IV.

MR. KENNETH R. KRAUSS
BA, Southern Illinois University Band.

MISS MARY ELLEN LARSON
BA, Illinois State University Modern Media I & II, Drama, Communication, Public Speaking. Advisor: Speech Team, Reader’s Theatre, and Director of All-School Productions.

MRS. ANN LINENFELSER
BS, Illinois State University Biology I & II. Advisor: FMCC.

MISS LINDA MCWHORTER

MR. RUSSELL J. METZGER

MR. STEVEN C. MOORE

1) Mr. Schuette accepts the motorhead award presented to him by the Student Council during the Homecoming pep rally.
2) Faculty members enjoy a few moments of light conversation throughout the progressive dinner.
3) Mr. Krauss seems to like the Christmas gift chosen for him by his band members.
4) The female faculty members show the spirit that helped them win the powderpuff championship.
More than faces in the classroom

Although it's typical to find teachers behind their desks, faculty members are also involved in outside activities. Female faculty members this year put together a football team for powderpuff competition. Their team proved to be tough as they claimed first place. The entire teaching staff planned and enjoyed a progressive dinner. This evening permitted teachers to gather socially. The school year closed with the annual faculty breakfast, a real treat for female faculty members who are guests of the male chefs.

Faculty

MRS. ROSEMARY NEATHERY
BA, Greenville College, MA, Southern Illinois University-E Accounting I & II, Data Processing, Advanced Shorthand, Business Machines. Advisor: FBLA

MR. DALE C. OTT

MR. FRANK PCHAL
BE, Northern Iowa University Conservation. Athletic Director. Advisor: Freshman Class.

MR. MICHAEL D. PRICE

MRS. SHERRYL PRINGLE
MA, Bowling Green State University Physics, Chemistry I & II. Advisor: Sophomore Class.

MRS. CAROL JEAN PROBST
BS, Eastern Illinois University, MS, Southern Illinois University Algebra I & Ia.
Services, skills of many keep school running smoothly

The faculty does not work alone in providing a fitting atmosphere for the high school student to grow in. Its tasks are shared with those who perform special services. These are people seen in the school sweeping hallways and emptying wastebaskets. They work in the kitchen keeping us fed. An ill student has someone to turn to who will comfort him. And secretaries calmly keep important paperwork under control. Who ever the person, whatever the job—special services prove necessary to the school day.

Faculty

MR. TOM RIGGS
BS, Southern Illinois University-E

MRS. DOROTHY ROE
BS, Western Illinois University

MR. ISAISH F. ROE
BE, Western Illinois University, MS, Bradley University
Mechanical Drawing, Cabinet Making, Drafting. Advisor: Industrial Education.

MR. JOSEPH M. SCHAEFER
BS, Southern Illinois University
Agriculture. Advisor: FFA, Junior Class.

MR. DALE SCHMALZ
BS & MS, Southern Illinois University-E

MRS. JACKIE SCHNEIDER
BS, Southern Illinois University, MS, Southern Illinois University-E
Reading I & II.
1) A smiling face found in the guidance department is that of secretary Mrs. Terri Schatte.
2) Familiar faces seen in the halls are those of custodians Mr. Orville Reibold, Mr. Lawrence Pollman and Mr. Edward Aldrich.
3) The cafeteria is a busy place serving students during three lunch hours.
4) Additional help in the library, Mrs. Nancy Krauss helps tend to the mass of books.
Sports give anyone who has determination, enthusiasm, and lots of time the chance to get involved. Whether its a team sport such as basketball, an individual sport such as track, or an intramural sport such as tennis, all provide the participant with some sort of satisfaction.
1) Loosening up on a hot August day, the Bulldogs prepare for a hard practice.
2) Varsity offense tests the defense in a grueling practice.
3) Linemen refine their blocking techniques prior to a game.
4) Head coach, Glen Monken and assistant coach Mike Hooker wait for the referee's signal before sending in Ed Winet for the next play.
5) Don Gunter, Tom Snider, and Kevin Hurley twirl to develop quickness before a game.
Individuals recognized, despite disappointing season

Despite the Bulldogs' moderate season, three players received All-Conference and six players received Honorable Mention.

Leading the team this year was Dale Siever who carried the ball 116 times for 932 yards and also Dan Michael who completed 49% of his attempted passes for 6 touchdowns and 833 yards. Catching Michael's passes were George Waggoner for 317 yards, Keith Giger for 201 yards, and Dale Siever for 306 yards. Dale also led the team in scoring with 65 points. Andy Perkins, George Waggoner, and Steve Brave each scored 28, 24, 20 points respectively.

The team as a whole averaged 17 points per game while allowing 26 points per game. The Bulldogs totaled up 2224 yards this season finishing fifth in the Mississippi Valley Conference.
Victory eludes frosh, soph teams

Ending a mediocre season with a record of 2-4, the freshmen in their last game of the year against Jerseyville displayed their determination. With the passing combination of Jeff Kottkamp and Jay Hoffman, and the running of Roger Zobrist and Jim Diebert, the frosh stomped the Panthers 30-18. The Panthers had lost only one game the entire season.

Losing some players to the varsity, the sophomores also managed to keep their pride by defeating Triad. With Terry Ashbacher's 4 touchdowns and Steve Stille's touchdown and extra points, the Bulldogs smashed Triad 30-14 for their only win of the season.

1) Freshmen casually walk onto the football field to warm-up before a game.
2) Sophomores anxiously await the outcome of a play.
3) Jeff Kottkamp sticks his arm out in desperation to grab his Triad opponent.
4) Coaches and freshmen joyously run off the field after their victory over Triad.

Harriers follow tradition

Following the winning tradition started seven years ago, the '75-'76 cross country team ran to a 13-2 record in dual and triangular meets. They also claimed the conference crown for the third consecutive year. Five HHS runners made the all-conference team: Carl Strackeljahn, Dean Frerker, Gary Volz, Don Barnhart, and Keith Byers.

The red and black got fifth in the district meet to advance to the sectional meet. The harriers ran short of their goal to advance to the state meet. But they were, however, represented by Carl Strackeljahn. Carl earned his trip to Peoria by receiving seventh in the sectional meet. This was the fifth straight year Highland's red and black was seen in the state meet.

1) JV runners Bryan Weidner and Jerry Schroer get experience and training for next year.
2) Kay Switzer and Sue Michael become the first girls on Highland's cross country team.
3) Seniors Don Barnhart and Keith Byers were two of the strong links of this year's squad.
4) Carl Strackeljahn, Highland's number one runner, ends his high school career with a trip to Peoria to run in the state meet.
5) Senior Gary Volz was voted "Most Inspirational Runner" by his teammates.
Season of victory overshadowed by defeat

Maintaining a healthy 6-0 record for their first four meets, HHS golfers got off to a good start. As the season matured, however, their hopes of an unblemished record were demolished. Unfortunate losses to stronger teams brought them to an 8-5-2 finish.

As an individual team in the Granite City North Scramble, Ric Gonzalez, Dan Ehlke, and Rod Miller placed first, with a score of 65, seven strokes under par. Highland also tied for sixth in the conference meet with Jerseyville. Senior Gonzalez ended his high school career on a disappointing note, missing by one stroke his chances to go to sectionals.

Averages per nine holes were Ric Gonzalez—40.3, Rod Miller—43.9, Mike Tuffli—44.5, Dan Ehlke—45.3, Steve Kessman—47.2, Steve West—48.0, and Tim Bolk—50.6.
1) Senior Steve West shows the form it takes to be one of Highland's top linksmen.
2) Rookie Mike Tuffli concentrates on the ball as he prepares to sink his shot.
3) Senior Ric Gonzales takes a practice swing as he limbers up.
5) Returning junior letterman Dan Ehlke tees off sending the ball down the fairway.
Girls end second season with admirable record

Returning after only one year of experience, the girls' tennis team made several improvements. The players worked hard to improve over last year which they did by ending the season with a respectable 4-4 record. The young team gained valuable experience in preparation for the next season. The team will be losing only two seniors—Becky Stuckwisch and Cathy Robertson.

1) Lou Ann Heineman and Kathy Koshewa compiled a 4-3 record at the first doubles position.
2) Freshman Kris Draper led the team with a 6-2 record at her third singles position.
3) Becky Stuckwisch was HHS's number one singles player and earned a 5-3 record. She ended her two year career with a 9-5 record.
4) Susan Neier and Cathy Robertson held the third doubles position.

Lack of age, experience hamper victory hopes

Despite strong determination, the '76 basketball Bulldogs met a season plagued by setbacks and disappointments.

With the experience of only four senior members to turn to, the varsity relied heavily on the talents of the J.V. and underclassmen squads for strength. Lack of height put the team at a disadvantage against many of its foes. Although rebounding was strong, it was not strong enough to overcome the obstacles presented by stronger teams.

The season ended with only a 6-19 record. However, one of those victories came against archrival St. Paul in the Mater Dei Tournament.

1) Harry Jaconis settles the question of who can jump higher, by tipping the ball towards his teammates.
2) Jerry Frank towers over his opponents as he goes for a lay-up.
3) From the bench, Coach Price and the rest of the team keep an eye on the action as a game nears the end.
4) Todd Weiss and George Waggoner lead the way for warm-ups before a match with Roxana.
Frosh battle for 3 wins

Highland freshmen basketball team ended its season with a record of 3-13. They won victories over Litchfield, Bethalto, and Greenville.

The squad was divided into an A team and a B team. Leading scores for the A team were Kevin Kapp, Tom Galbiati, Randy Hemann, and Jay Hoffman. Other A squad members were: Dan Hogan, Rich Geiger, Jeff Goestenkors, Ron Heim, Jim Cagle, Mark Fickbohm, Bud Brewer.

B squad members were Sam Frey, Mark Ginter, Dave Reaka, Mark Kidd, Brian Thorlet, Gary Korte, Dave Kesner, Mike Ambuehl, Craig Korte, Mike Evans, John Schwartz, and Jerry Schroer. The B squad lost 3 games. Competition was keen throughout the season as the squads played Belleville West, Belleville East, and Belleville Althoff.
Sophs boast fine 12-4 season

Highland sophomores ended their season with a 12-4 record and placed fourth in the Alton invitational. Much of their success was credited to the team's good attitude and their ability to think under pressure.

Harry Jaconis was named the "Most Valuable Player." Dean Frerker was called "Mr. Hustle." Their talents combined with those of Mike Krump, most improved player, feed man Jerry Frank, and the rebounding of Steve Iborg created a winning combination, which meant that all also made valuable contributions to the JV team.

During the season, the team boasted 264 field goals and 129 free throws out of 230 attempts. There were 59 steals and 127 assists.
Cheerleaders: Aiding spirit

Cheerleaders provide that essential ingredient which bridges the gap between spectator and player. They spark the enthusiasm that keeps the fans involved in the action. They serve as a controlling force, setting examples in good sportsmanship. Colorful routines combined with lively cheers make cheerleaders an essential part of every sport.

1) Members of the Varsity cheerleading squad are (FRONT) Cindy Hoffman, Deena Wilken, Tina Rogers, Patti Lewis, Sheila Kuester, Cheryl McCord and Birdie Kanter.
2) Frosh cheerleaders are (FRONT) Tammy Zobrist (ROW 2) Tammy Hunziker, Diane Iborg and Beverly Alarcon.
3) JV cheerleaders are Tammy Ambuehl, Laurie Harms, Pam Barnes, Debi Kleinhoffer and Billie Delbert.
4) Highland cheerleaders add a spark to the Homecoming parade.
Girls Volleyball

Facing interscholastic foes

For the first time in HHS history, girls competed in interscholastic volleyball. The team worked long and hard on learning a new way of playing, called "power" volleyball, which interscholastic teams use. Although the girls practiced hard, inexperience led to defeat. But the girls never lost their spirit. They saw it as a year of experience, preparing for next year's team.

1) Setting up a play for one of her teammates, Gwen Frey uses the bump.
4) With Karen Holliday serving the ball Sue Michael anxiously awaits the return.
Youth pins grapplers to 6-12 season

With only three lettermen returning this year, HHS had to find a team of young inexperienced wrestlers. Of the twelve varsity wrestlers, four were first year wrestlers. In spite of their efforts and hard work, this young team could only earn a 6-12 year. Even though the team didn't gain many victories they did gain experience and the skills needed to be a good team in the future.

1) Lindell Bassett a three year wrestler who was used on the varsity squad at different weight classes as he was needed.
2) Kevin Hurley and Mike Stumpf were HHS's top wrestlers. Kevin earned a 15-8 record and Mike pinned down a 13-7-1 record.
3) Many hours spent practicing are needed to gain the skills needed to be a winner.
4) Sophomore Ken Lowe raises his hand after his exhibition victory over Mater Dei.
5) Bill Miener worked hard to earn a letter after his first year wrestling.
For many students practicing long hours for an inter-scholastic sport is impossible without taxing too much time otherwise utilized for work or studies. Intramurals offered an opportunity to compete without the rough routine of practice. Both boys and girls had various sports from which they could select. These included tennis, bowling, basketball, and softball.
Keith Giger earned an amazing 176 points and broke several school records.

Boys Track

Breaking old school records

The Bulldogs had one of their best seasons ever with an 11-0 record in regular season meets. They also won the County Meet for the first time.

Highland broke seven records during the season. Keith Giger broke the 220 with a time of 22.9. He also broke the long jump with a jump of 21-3 and the triple jump with a jump of 46-3 ¾. David Giger set a new mark running the 330 low hurdles at 41.4. Dale Siever, Keith Giger, Terry Aschbacher, and Andy Perkins topped the old record with a 44.8 in the 440 relay. David Giger, Terry Aschbacher, Brian Halbrook, and Keith Giger broke the 880 relay with a time of 1-33.9. The two mile relay record of 8:41.5 was set by Alan Strackeljohn, Dirk Wilkinson, Gary Volz, and Carl Strackeljohn.

1) Carl Strackeljohn ran the mile and two mile.
2) Senior Dale Siever participated in many events to help HHS achieve their 11-0 record.
3) Dirk Wilkinson takes the hand-off from Dave Trout in the 2 mile relay.
4) Wayne Hundsdorfer clears the bar in the pole vault.
5) David Giger leads the pack of hurdlers as he did so often during the year for HHS.
6) Sophomore Terry Aschbacher goes up and over the high jump bar.
Individuals stand out
Girls Track

Establishing statistics

The girls' track team also had a record-breaking season. Every record was broken at least once. The girls also improved their 2-9 season of last year to a 12-1 season this year. The young team brought home their first trophy—third place at the Triad Invitational.
1) Senior Becky Stuckwisch starts off one of the 440 relays.
2) Ruthann Klenke finishes a long two mile run.
3) Mary Sue Kutz holds a steady lead in the mile run.
4) Sophomore Phyllis Voliva speeds to a good finish.
5) Cheri Reynolds prepares to throw the shot.
6) Cheryl Alemond leads the pack in the 880 run.
Baseball

Meeting defeat

The Baseball Bulldogs slid through their worst season in several years. Coach Ford's players ended with a 2-11 record. Even though the team did have a poor regular season, the year did have one bright spot—they were the 1976 District Champions.

1) Senior Dan Rozum was HHS lead hitter, batting over 400 for the year.
2) Sophomore Steve Stille worked hard to become one of Highland's best defensive players.
3) Bob Koch makes a good play at his shortstop position.

Netmen maintain record

Continuing the winning tradition started six years ago, the '76 netmen compiled a smashing 11-2 record. The team was led by returning lettermen Scott Kohlhaas, Bryan Perfetti, Steve West, Mike Tucker and Mark Tucker, and completed by foreign exchange student Makio Shimada and senior Ric Gonzalez.

Four seniors ended their careers with good records. Steve West claimed a 22-14 record; Mike Tucker, 20-12; Mark Tucker 19-7; and Ric Gonzalez, 16-4. Sophomore Scott Kohlhaas also ended his tennis career at HHS with a 17-17 record.

1) Steve West and Mike Tucker combined their talent for first doubles team. Steve had a 12-4 record and Mike maintained a 14-4 record in doubles and singles.
2) Mark Tucker and Ric Gonzalez made up the second doubles team, compiling a 16-4 record.
3) Foreign exchange student Makio Shimada earned a 9-5 record at the third singles position.
4) HHS's number one singles player Scott Kohlhaas earned an 8-10 record play against the best players in the area.
5) Bryan Perfetti played to an 11-6 record at his second doubles position.
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Just as important to school life as academics are the happenings which provide a change of pace from the school routine. Some of this year's new events included an NHS Week, entitled Break-Away, and a Student Council Valentine Telegram Service. There were also the usual happenings—homecoming, musical prom—plus those special moments with friends. Whether they involve an individual, a club, or the entire student body, happenings, usual and unusual, are an essential part of HHS life.
Happenings
1) Chatting excitedly, Deb Parker and Deb Oestringer prepare to leave the HHS parking lot and head toward the Coop contest.

2) Betsy Ross (Kim Kasson), surrounded by colonial women Diane Mersinger and Sheri Selfried, takes a few finishing stitches on "Old Glory" on the FBLA's Homecoming float.

3) Vickie Klenke realizes that practicing to be perfect is hard work, so she diligently brushes up on her typing and proofreading.

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**Chess Club**

"Checkmate!" "Check!" These exclamations were often heard emerging from Mr. West's room on Monday afternoons as the Chess club held its weekly meetings. Although members did not compete in any interscholastic tournaments this year, they had the opportunity to practice and sharpen their chess skills through games played among themselves. Furthermore, Chess Club members realized that playing a challenging game of chess was a wonderful way to socialize and have fun.

Officers of Chess club are president Paul Abert, vice president Jerry Schmitt, treasurer Douglas Hosto, secretary Tim Gruenenfelder, and suitcase carrier Janet Crouch.
Clubs

Coop

With prices of everything going up and up these days, many students find it necessary to balance high school expenditures with a job. The HHS Coop program has proven to be very successful in matching its accepted members with jobs that not only provide the employee with a salary, but with a valuable learning experience as well. However, the Coop program does not only exist as an educational service, but also functions as a club. Coop members treated HHS with a sock hop after the October 3 football game. A spring Coop banquet featured super-salesman Steve Mizerany. Another aspect of Coop is the many contests in which members compete and, traditionally, do very well. This year, Cheryl McCord, Cindy Dauderman, and Sharon Schwarz were area winners, Pat Korte placed sixth and Karla Klaus took second at state competition, and Jayne Schreiber advanced all the way to earning second place in the nation.

Officers of the Distributive Education class are president Penny Daum, vice president Deb Oestringer, secretary Tammy Cordes, and treasurer Lori Krump. The Office Occupations class officers are president Laura Kovach, vice president Karla Klaus, secretary Cheryl McCord, and treasurer Mitzi Harms.

FBLA

Forced to fight student apathy and involvement in other events, the Future Business Leaders of America faced a generally inactive and unproductive year. Due to lack of interest on the part of the members, there were no HHS FBLA participants in the state contest. However, FBLA members did follow tradition by selling Tom Wat kits in the fall. Also, a spring trip to Six Flags ended the school year on a pleasant note. But despite the sluggishness of the year, FBLA members proved their good will and heart by donating $300 to the Dana Deibert Fund and by caroling at Christmas time to raise money for the March of Dimes.

FBLA officers are president Terri Wenzel, vice president Barb Davis, scribe Steve White, and treasurer Vicky Steinbruegge.
1) John Voegele, Gary Olliges, and Richard Weis evaluate the quality of the livestock at a cattle-judging contest.

2) These children excitedly pick up candy and toys from the broken pinata as they enjoy the FHA Christmas party.

3) Tina Langel checks Kirk Arbogast’s blood pressure as the FMCC collected money for the Heart Fund.

4) Entertaining their fathers at Daddy Date Nite, FHA members and dads play a vigorous game of volleyball.

5) Mr. Singleton speaks about Australia to FFA members and their families at the annual banquet.

FFA

'75-'76 proved to be a successful year for the HHS chapter of the Future Farmers of America. Along with the annual banquet and barnyard, FFA helped carry out its goal to establish a better understanding between the community and agriculture by planting approximately 100 trees at the new school, shrubbery for the Women’s Auxiliary, and by organizing a toy drive for needy children. FFA’s many activities and individual honors earned it the Bankers Award as the best of the 22 schools in the section. Probably the high point of the year was the overnight field trip to Louisville, Kentucky, featuring a farm machinery show and tractor pull.

Officers of FFA are president Terry Henschen, vice-president Steve Zobrist, secretary Andy Wessel, treasurer Keith Frank, reporter Luke Wellen, sentinel Mark Obermark, and historian John Voegele.
FHA

For students interested in homemaking, the Future Homemakers of America during '75-'76 was the club to join. Even parents, brothers, and sisters of members could become involved, since the club sponsored a Ma, Pa, and Me Night, a Daddy Date Nite, a Mother-Daughter Banquet, and a children's Christmas party. Furthermore, the club members sharpened their homemaking skills by participating in Craft Nite, baking valentine cookies for the faculty, and the traditional selling of FHA-made caramel apples at the concession stand during football games. By becoming involved in the many FHA activities, hopefully each individual member is able to improve his or her personal, family, and community living.

Officers of FHA are president Pat Gibbons, first vice-president Pat Korte, second vice-president Patty Plocher, secretary Sheryll Gardner, treasurer Barb Davis, and historian Diane Boeser.

FMCC

Thinking of a medical career? The Future Medical Careers Club designs its activities for those students interested in the field of health. At meetings, speakers and films provided members with information about these possible future occupations. Outside of HHS, members annually take a field trip to a medical institute. Club members also had a chance to help others as they collected for the American Cancer Society and the Heart Association, checked blood pressure, and sold toothbrushes.

FMCC officers are president Jerry Hammond, vice-president Dale Stocker, secretary Cindy Bumb, and treasurer Donna Schwend.
1) Larry White pauses for a moment to read the program for the activity-filled French Festival Day at Belleville Area College.

2) Smiling delightedly over the wide assortment of foreign foods featured at the International Banquet, exchange student Makio Shimada and others dish up their chosen goodies.

3) At the International Fellowship picnic, Diane Meyer, Mary Gnaedinger, and a small friend enjoy the excitement only a tall slide can provide.

4) Mr. Roe keeps his umpire eye on batter Tom Steinmann and catcher Larry Jakel during a softball game between the FFA and the Industrial Education club.

5) Displaying all the delicious treats at the French club bake sale, Doug Hosto uses his salesman techniques to lure a prospective customer into buying something.

French Club

For the foreign language student, learning something about the culture from which his language comes makes the studying easier, more enriching, and much more pleasant. French students find activities of the French club influential in their learning. Two main events highlighted the '76 program. Films, a puppet show, and a demonstration/concert by the Missouri Concert Ballet all were part of a French Festival Day which the club attended at Belleville Area College during the spring. Also in the spring was the French Club banquet, for which members prepared a five-course meal and then served it to other members and guests.

Earlier in the year French Club established itself as a tough HHS competitor as it won the small float competition in the Homecoming parade.

French Club officers are president Cheryl Alemond, vice president Diane Ambuehl, secretary Carolyn Wehrle, and treasurer Lisa Mohme.
Industrial Education

During high school, a major goal of the student is to discover what his specific abilities are and how they fit in with the school and community. The Industrial Education Club aids students interested in industrial arts in achieving this goal. Club members developed a deeper understanding of industries by touring Basler Electric. Their vocational talents were put to good use as they constructed a records board for the HHS wrestling team. Furthermore, recreation nights provided members with the opportunity to socialize and enjoy themselves. By joining the Industrial Education Club, the industrial arts student of '76 was able to expand and develop as an individual.

Officers of Industrial Education are president Mike Stumpf, vice president Don Mueller, secretary Mike Kuhner, and treasurer Bob Koch.

International Fellowship

Even while HHS students were discovering their own American heritage, the seven foreign exchange students sponsored by International Fellowship added their own special characteristics and cultures to the memories of the Bicentennial year. The countries of Mexico, Brazil, El Salvador, and Japan were all represented at Highland in the figures of Sandra Contreras, Luis Artigas, Carlos Perez, Gerardo Perez, Lucio Aderaldo, Sonia Dubon, and Makio Shimada. In order to present the foreign exchange students to the faculty, International Fellowship held a tea in their honor during October. The club also cooperated with the foreign language clubs in sponsoring the International Banquet. A picnic at City Lake during May wound up the successful '75-'76 year.

International Fellowship officers are president Jayne Schreiber, vice president Cindy Bumb, secretary Pam Kraigher, and treasurer Kathy Koshewa.
Helping students realize that foreign language can be interesting and enjoyable, the activities of the Junior Classical League focus on Latin and the classical Roman-Greek culture. Members participated in not only the HHS JCL chapter, but also in the state organization and convention. In fact, Highland's chapter had the honor of presiding as president over the southern district of the Illinois JCL. JCL made its presence known back at HHS by cooperating with the other language groups in the International Banquet and by selling daisies on May 7, Daisy Day, in order to raise money.

Officers of JCL are president Stan Stille, vice president Janelle Malan, secretary Tena Ritzheimer, and treasurer Rick Gilomen.

National Honor Society Membership

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NHS

National Honor Society has as its purpose the honoring of students who excel in the four cardinal points of scholarship, leadership, character, and service. This year, besides editing and publishing the annual HHS student directory "Chitter Chatter", the organization sponsored the fall assembly on Transcendental Meditation, detonating a community-wide controversy. Later in the year at an NHS sponsored assembly, the student body, with the help of Dr. David Hoy, delved into the thought-provoking world of extra sensory perception, or ESP. This year HHS was treated to NHS Week, a week full of assemblies covering a wide variety of subjects, some educational, some purely for entertainment. Officers of NHS are president Dawn Schuepbach, vice president Mike Tucker, secretary Jayne Schreiber, treasurer Diane Steiner, and historian Pat Gibbons.

1) Carl Strackeljahn, who was inducted into NHS in the spring of his junior year, announces the names of the new senior members.
2) President Dawn Schuepbach addresses the joint meeting of the junior and senior NHS members while secretary Jayne Schreiber busily scribbles notes.
3) Mike Weidner and Lee Stille demonstrate the irony of "game playing" during a tense moment in "Area Da Capo", the dramatic duet they took to state contest.
4) Sally Felts, district Latin contest winner, shows her hard-won ribbons to Latin teacher Mrs. Roe.
Clubs

Speech Team

75-76 could be said to be a building year for Highland's Speech Team. The largely inexperienced group improved greatly during the many contests and tournaments held this year. The climax came, however, when the dramatic duet team of Mike Weidner and Lee Stille advanced from districts, through sectionals and placed high at state level competition.

Meeting people and learning to talk to them, being able to get up in front of a group of nameless faces and tell them exactly how you feel — these are the goals of Speech Team, not to mention a lot of fun and good times.
Led by its very first female president, the HHS Student Council during '75-'76 accomplished many of its goals and earned itself the reputation of being a hard-working and efficient organization. Probably its most successful venture was the long-remembered Homecoming Week. But the Student Council did not let its enthusiasm die after Homecoming, and again it was effective in involving the student body by sponsoring the valentine exchange and sock hop. Furthermore, the Council felt a need to contribute some of its time and energy to the physical structure of HHS. It fulfilled this desire by painting the stadium bathroom doors and the Dog House. However, the members discovered that even the Student Council could not carry out all its ideas. A Council-planned winter talent show never materialized due to lack of student interest, and a spring Mini-Olympics week failed because of too much student participation in other spring activities. Nevertheless, the Student Council enjoyed a generally active year, and members rewarded themselves for their hard work with an end-of-school picnic.

Student Council officers are president Barb Bosche, vice president Paul Yesnosky, recording secretary Marie Bosche, corresponding secretary Sue Michael, and treasurer Barb Yesnosky.

1) Fighting against the fierce wind, Mr. Schuette steers YFC's Homecoming float, which bore the motto "Let Your Light Shine".
2) Sue Michael carefully paints a female face onto the girl's bathroom door at the stadium.
3) Mark Garinger, Carri Stufflebeam, Deb Kessinger, and a bashful Mr. Schuette take a moment for clowning while making tissue flowers for the YFC float.
4) Peering from behind a curtain of ladders, Greg Schwarz helps decorate the Dog House with bright paint.

YFC

During 1976, Youth for Christ entertained and involved its members by the ever-popular films, parties, and rap sessions. But perhaps more importantly, the club gave members a chance to express themselves in a wholesome atmosphere. Furthermore, YFC helped the community by assisting in the March of Dimes drive.

Officers of YFC are president Cindy Bumb, vice president Judy Brown, secretary Gayla Felchila, and treasurer Sally Felts.
Fall things

A steamy fall ushered in the '75-'76 school year. 95-plus degree temperatures forced HHS to release anticipating students to the carefree joys on an Indian summer hours ahead of time. Two hundred and twenty seven apprehensive freshmen bombarded the high school with countless questions, many pertaining to their acceptance as full-fledged high school kids. In the midst of the heat, HHS students discovered that a warm, new school spirit had developed among them. Out of the sluggishness of previous years sprung a feverish enthusiasm for school activities.
1) These senior boys show their enthusiastic pleasure at receiving their long-awaited yearbooks.

2) The faces of these wondering freshmen, attending an assembly held to help introduce them to the school, reflect their apprehension at entering HHS.

3) Jayne Schreiber, Nancy Keith, Larry White, Mark Tucker, Kathy Heim, and Kay Switzer display the senior spirit as they share their joys and thoughts at a yearbook signing party.

4) Don Gunter and Cindy Dauderman discuss possible candidates as they "privately" vote for the senior Homecoming court.

5) In an otherwise empty auditorium, fall play hopefuls listen attentively to helpful hints from director Miss Larson.

6) Kevin Kuhner registers his choices for freshman Student Council members as Greg Schwarz monitors the election.
London dream comes true for band

July, 1975

Dear Mom and Dad,

Can you believe it? We're actually here. London! London England! After the mountains of grapefruit and oranges, pizzas, greeting cards, etc. that the band sold, we've really made it. We've done some sightseeing, mostly from the bus, where we've spent 99% of our time. Wow, you should see where we're staying, Royal Holloway College, it's really neat. It's old with statues of queens and stuff all over. It's a great improvement over the rat-trap hotel the girls stayed in the first night. The boys got the nice hotel across the street.

I can't say much for the food here. They don't put ice into anything they drink. Do you know how it feels to drink a warm, fizzy Coke and then ride a hot bus for a few hours? So far we've done one concert in the art gallery and at least one marching show a day. The most exciting show was the Royal Show, even if the buses did get stuck in a traffic jam and we had to walk. Actually we ran, and we were late. We're the only U.S. band ever to perform at the Royal Show. And they shook Tammy Ritzheimer's hand and everything. The only bad part was that we followed a cattle showing and you know what that meant.

I'll never forget the chaperons! I guess they're just concerned and doing their job—but sometimes—what a pain! It's getting late and there are more shows tomorrow. Yes, there's our chaperon beating on the door telling us to turn off the light.

I miss you all . . .

With Love,
Me
1) During the stay in London, the fortunately comfortable British Airways buses became a home away from home.
2) The British flag became a familiar sight to the band; here it flies above the historic Tower of London.
3) At the Royal Show, Stan Stille shows that the months of practice paid off as he stands in the correct form.
4) Though spelled a little different, the warm welcome of the British people was evident here at the Royal Show and throughout the trip. The Marching Bulldogs, headed by Drum Majorette Tammy Ritzheimer, did their best to live up to expectations.
5) The first night at Royal Holloway College was celebrated by a concert given by the HHS concert band, in the college’s art gallery for the British Airways families and even a few British dignitaries.
6) Band, chaperons and friends filled the waiting room to capacity and then some, as they waited to dress for taping by Britain’s T.V. station, the BBC.
Free hours

The guidance office calls it study time; the high school office calls it lunch. Lunch? at 8:30am.? But to the student that finds himself with more than one lunch hour on his schedule or a study time or two, it is known as a free hour. Believe it or not a few people do actually study (for that forgotten test) during their free time. Others take advantage of the extra lunch hour for an extra lunch. Yet many still find extra time to run up town or catch forty winks. Some students decide to even go home, while others go to work.
1) John Cappello and Brad Steinkoenig spend their free hour in the library catching up on lost sleep.
2) John Cappello and Mr. Hester use the library to try out their skill of chess.
3) Mrs. Bolling, Miss Price (student teacher), Mr. Hester and Ms. McWhorter use their free hour to work on their lesson plans.
4) Many students catch up on the latest gossip in the hallways during their free hours.
5) Lori Stufflebean uses her time to do her last minute homework.
6) Kris Draper and her friend use their free hour to get in a friendly conversation.
Celebration!

Homecoming '75 blossomed into not only a celebration of the traditional football game and the accompanying activities, but also a celebration of the nation's Bicentennial and of a renewed, vibrant school spirit. Because of the dismal Homecoming Week of last year, the Student Council diligently strived to make this Homecoming a week to remember and enjoy. The week was crowded with such standard events as the coronation, powderpuff football game, and the victorious football game with Jerseyville, and with new or renewed events such as Socks and Tenneses Day, the Hairy Legs Contest, movies, a parade, and a bonfire. When the week had ended, it was obvious, by the students' reactions, that the Student Council had accomplished its task, and that Homecoming Week, 1975, would truly be a fondly-remembered celebration.

1) Saturday afternoon was a hectic time for the senior class as they struggled to materialize their ideas for decorating the stage with red, white, and blue foil.
2) Mr. Schmalz, Mr. Homann, Mr. Burke, and Mr. Baker show their confidence in the women powderpuff faculty team as they bring out the fortunately unneeded stretcher and first-aid equipment.
3) Jeff Gehrig, Barb Yesnosky, and Greg Schwarz let their true spirit show through as they joined the parade as fun-loving clowns.
4) The freshman and sophomore girls exert their best efforts as each team tries to win the tug-of-war for their class.
5) In the post-coronation flurry, M.C. Dave Rosen offers King Mike Weidner congratulations.
6) As the embers die down, Connie Zobrist and Diane Okai enjoy the last moments of the bonfire.
7) The 5th and 6th grade band members participated during the Homecoming game halftime show in a Parade of the States number with the HHS band.
8) Homecoming Week started off as freshmen through seniors, male and female alike, were invited to roll up their jeans and show their strange tastes in socks and tennis shoes for Socks and Tennies Day.
9) The Bulldog spirit of HHS is embodied in Tuffy, owned by the family of Byron Barker.
10) Terry Henschen and Karen Hediger quietly survey the frantic last minute preparations of their fellow Homecoming court members.
Coronation and the parade, two major activities during Homecoming Week 1975, both proved to be successful in catching the students' interest and involvement. On October 18, after a busy day of decorating, the excited Homecoming Court slowly promenaded across the floor. After all the couples had been introduced, MCs Cheryl Alemond and Dave Rosen announced to an anticipating audience that Barbara Bosché and Jack Landolt were Special Maid and Escort. Michael Weidner and Mitzi Harms were the 1975-1976 Homecoming King and Queen.

Beautiful fall weather pushed the parade on October 24 off to a fine start. Participation by the classes and many clubs contributed to make the parade interesting. First place for large floats was awarded to the sophomores for their float, "A New Beginning, America '76." The French Club captured the small float award for their entry, "France's Gift." That night, the floats were disposed of in a well attended but brief bonfire.
1) Big Al, that fearless Bulldog, is chauffeured during the Homecoming parade by Steve White.
2) Sharon Schwarz, Teri Augustin, and Curt Schwartz share a pleasant conversation in the crowded environment of the gym after the coronation.
3) Jim Cagle makes last-minute adjustments on the freshman class float as parade time draws nearer.
4) Mary Gnaedinger, Sue Toenyes, Terri Imming, and Tammy Ambuehl represent Revolutionary War figures on the sophomore class' first place float.
5) Doug Hosto and Cheryl Alemond walk behind as Merl Gramlich takes his turn at pulling French Club's Statue of Liberty, Sandy Stout.
6) Past King and Queen Rodney Zobrist and Tina Thorley stand back as newly-crowned King Michael Weidner and Queen Mitzi Harms, along with their Special Escorts Barbara Bosche and Jack Landolt, take their positions as HHS's Royalty for '75 and '76.
7) Diane Iborg peeks over the shoulder of Rich Schwend as they sway to the music of the court dance after the coronation.
8) Senior class president, Steve West makes a futile attempt to keep the eagle standing on the senior class float.
9) Skillfully decorating the gym entranceway with bright streamers for the coronation are Jay Hoffman, Linda Kantner, and Barb Wick.
Excitement!

Much of the excitement of Homecoming Week was provided by the ever-popular powderpuff game, the pep rally, and the Friday night game. On Tuesday night of the week, the freshmen surprised everybody as they first defeated the sophomores and then the seniors for the powderpuff championship. But their victory was marred as they were beaten by the tie-dye-shirted women's faculty team, a new addition to this year's game.

On Friday afternoon, the school's front lawn set the stage for a huge pep rally. School spirit soared to new heights only to be dampened as the rain, which had been avoided all week, came in a deluge right before halftime of the football game. The band's spectacular halftime show had to be considerably shortened, and many fans left due to the disastrous conditions. But the mighty Bulldogs managed to survive the flood, and swam on to a 28-7 victory over Jerseyville.
1) Student Council member Barb Yesnosky presents junior John Hegger with the award for the hairiest legs.
2) Poised for action, the senior powderpuff team vigorously practices for the big game.
3) Cheering with pride, the freshman powderpuff team accepts the powderpuff championship plaque.
4) The freshman class screams with enthusiasm and delight at the Homecoming pep rally.
5) Various types of rain gear were in evidence as the victorious Homecoming game was played in a deluge.
6) Jean Tucker reaches for the flag of ball-carrier Jody Blunt as she tries to prevent the faculty team from gaining further yardage.
7) Even the lovely, coordinated cheering of John Hegger, Darwin Meskil, Mike Landolt, Tom Steinmann, and Curt Steinkoenig could not bolster the junior powderpuff players on to a win.
8) Dancing to the spirited pep band music, the cheerleaders fire up the students for the game that night.
Witchcraft, tense drama characterize fall play

"The Crucible," a play by Arthur Miller, was chosen as this year's fall all school production by director Mary Larson. Running for two nights, November 21 and 22, the serious drama offered a change from preceding years of the traditional comedy.

The play centers around the circumstances and accusations of witchcraft that surround a group of people in early colonial America. The climax of the production comes when a trial is held, sending nineteen men and women to their deaths.

"The Crucible" gave students a chance to demonstrate their dramatic skills, and the audience a realistic portrayal of American history, appropriate during the Bicentennial year.

1) Kathy Heim applies makeup to Carl Strackeljohn, just before curtain time.
2) Members of "The Crucible" cast (Beth Mahoney, Dave Rosen, Carolyn Keltner, and Dave Duncan) rehearse their parts for the upcoming production.
3) John and Elizabeth Proctor (Ken Mesle and Elaina Winsor) discuss the problems which confront them as the witchcraft scare spreads.
4) Contributing their talents to the production, Mr. West and his students Dan Michael and Rockie Miller prepare to hang a scrim for a backdrop of the production.

5) Tension builds as the trial, the climax of the play, begins.

6) John Proctor (Ken Mesle) and Reverend Hale (Mike Weidner) discuss the seriousness and possible consequences of the accusation of witchcraft which faces Elizabeth Proctor (Elaina Winsor).
Winter things

Fall of '75 blazed with activity and excitement. But as the winter brought its cold and darkness to HHS, apathy and sluggishness again set in. Activities became less frequent, club meetings were poorly attended, and most students began to tire of the school routine. But in February, three weeks of beautiful, quite unseasonal spring weather burst upon HHS. Students rolled up their sleeves, rode their motorcycles, bought ice cream cones, and spent their free time outside. Eventually, the cold of winter again arrived, but the early spring preview excited students enough to tide them over until the actual coming of that always-welcome season.
1) Greg Frank shows his Christmas spirit in the typical fashion of a freshman.

2) At a panel discussion for juniors and seniors, Mr. Schmalz and Mr. Homann lead a discussion on the ins and outs of college life with graduates Randy Foederer, Mark Wehrle, Ed Crager, and Barry Harris.

3) The long and winding road always seemed to return to here.

4) For Pam Kraigher, Robin Rosenthal, and Faye Hemann, winter is building a snowman...

5) And watching it crumble.

6) Mr. Bailey, alert as always, patrols the halls during the statewide tornado drill.

7) Sorting out basketball jackets is one of Mr. Price's last coaching duties as the season closes.

8) Student Council members Tammy Ambuehl and Barb Yesnosky deliver valentine messages and sweet heart suckers to Connie Haberer.
Contests prove, improve individual ability

For many students, contests held in conjunction with the school system provide an opportunity to prove talents and serve as a diversion from the tension created by normal school work. Furthermore, as any contest-goer knows, contests have a special tension and excitement uniquely their own. In that special competitive environment, quite a few HHS students have expanded their worlds by developing friendships with participants from other schools. The possibilities of proving and improving one's self that are part of any competition make a contests worthwhile experiences.

In 1975-76, HHS students competed as individuals or with their clubs for prizes and awards. The Latin club received high honors as well as individual honors for its fine showing in the district and sectional Latin contests. The coveted American Heritage Award was presented to the Highland FFA chapter, which also received the honor of being the number one chapter in the district. In the IHSA music contest, band and chorus groups received superior ratings. Competing as individuals, Coop and speech club members demonstrated their abilities in numerous contests. Many other students deserve recognition of their accomplishment. And for all who participated in a contest, just the act of competing was a valuable and special learning experience in itself.
1) Hard work and long practices resulted in a superior rating for the woodwind choir, an ensemble of the band, at the IHSA solo and ensemble contest.
2) Sandra Alberternst proofreads the essay that she wrote for the Southwestern Electric Coop contest.
3) This poster, which won Mike Weidner the poster-creating contest, became the official design used to publicize "Hello, Dolly".
4) School-spirited students adorned their lockers according to Bicentennial themes for the locker decorating competition during Homecoming week.
5) These math students intently study the problems on the MAA math exam in hopes of attaining a high score and possibly an award.
6) Karla Klaus and Jayne Schreiber display plaques that they received after their excellent showing in various Coop contests, including competition at the national level.
Band boasts great year

You see them all over. On the street, at concerts, on the football field, playing at pep rallies and even on the stage during basketball games. This mass of people known as the band involved over 120 students plus numerous parents and supporters.

Equipped with new uniforms and new members, the Highland Marching Bulldogs faced another year of parades, halftime shows and concerts. Many long hours of practice were spent on keeping lines straight, playing loud, and looking mean for street marching. This took the band to Homecomings, contests, and the Veiled Prophet Parade in St. Louis.

But soon street marching was over, and halftime shows took the spotlight. The highlight of halftime shows was the Homecoming performance on which the rain poured as the band played on.

As the weather got colder, the band began on concert music and challenged a piece called "Crown Imperial". This number took practically a school year to perfect. But with its usual determination and hard work, the band polished the selection to a fine point and presented it to the three judges at state band contest. Their excellence enabled them to earn three I's (superior) from the judges, a feat considered very difficult, and proving them to be a number 1 band.
In the deserted Highland section of the Mount Vernon gym, Janelle Malan practices her state contest solo before her presentation.

With his usual flair, Mr. Krauss directs the band during the spring pop concert.

Achieving a nice sound means concentration for these clarinetists.

The HHS pep band adds a spirited flavor to the excitement of a home basketball game.

The 1976-77 Marching Bulldogs proved to be one of the best high school bands in southern Illinois.

The face of Mr. Krauss shows what hard work and tension go into being a band director.

Performing before the judge at the state solo and ensemble contest, Faye Hemann puts her best efforts into her coronet solo.

The banner tells it all for these proud band members.
"Do-it-yourself"

Buy it in a kit or make your own design. It really doesn't matter so long as you do-it-yourself. Whether brought on by the nostalgic movement of the Bicentennial or the high prices of inflation, the do-it-yourself craze took hold at HHS. Handmade clothes, art decorations, pottery and even original Christmas cards became part of the trend at HHS. A self-created product not only meant money had been saved but also that an original, one-of-a-kind had been created.

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1) Kathy Sackett finds that making her own clothes helps her save money.
2) Beverly Meffert gets caught goofing-off, modeling a coat made by Julie Gramlich.
3) Mrs. Roe shows Connie Haberer and Maxine Fleming how to make dough decorations.
4) Denim and embroidered shirts enable Terri Imming to show-off her creative talents by decorating shirts for Mark Ziegler and herself.
5) Like many HHS students, Gerri Rogier uses her imagination in her art class to design a vase.
Choral groups entertain many

Fully aware that true singing isn’t half as easy to do as some people suppose it to be, the members of the two HHS choruses accomplished, through much hard work, several important goals during ’75-’76. As always, state chorus contest was an uppermost concern. Despite difficult music and stiff judging, the Girl’s Chorus walked away with a superior rating, and the Mixed Chorus received a very good rating. A Christmas concert with the band and the spring choral concert were also major performances which the choruses successfully handled. However, the probable highlight of the year for the Mixed Chorus arrived in the spring when they were invited to the KETC-TV studio in St. Louis to tape several songs. These songs were aired during the summer on Channel 9, the educational station.

For the vocal student interested in further performing, opportunities were provided by the four ensembles. These ensembles entertained at all variety of occasions, from PTA meetings to sorority breakfasts. They also added a nice, light touch to the annual spring concert.
1) The 1976-77 Mixed Chorus poses in concert arrangement.
2) Composed of senior girls, the Spirit of '76 prepares to give one of its final high school performances at the state solo and ensemble contest.
3) Bev Alarcon and Deb Werner take a last minute look at some music before the spring concert while Deb Braswell plays the tune on the ever-vital piano.
4) The Friends, a sophomore group, entertained several groups with their harmonious singing.
5) Dance steps and lively vocal arrangements are key ingredients in a performance by this group, the Swing Choir.
6) Mrs. Clayton directs the Girl’s Chorus at the annual spring concert.
7) Guitar in hand, Dave White sings and strums a song for the spring concert audience.
8) Steve White presents his state contest solo, on which he received a 1 (superior) rating.
9) The junior girl’s ensemble, the New Tones, performs a few of its musical numbers at the spring concert.
"Quick! Hide the ice cream! Mr. Roe's coming!"

Words such as these are often spoken in haste by students who want to hide something they've done "when nobody's lookin'". Not only ice cream, but half-eaten tuna fish sandwiches, hamburgers and French fries (with ketchup, of course), Twinkies and banana cream cakes, Ding Dongs squished to half their normal height and Cokes of all sizes can, after close examination, be seen protruding from pockets and purses. These along with those quick kisses, those significant glances across the hall and the devilish winks that sometimes accompany them, are all parts of the secretive and not so secretive, but definitely fun, element of high school life. Fun, that is, until that fatal day when you, a seemingly innocent student, are walking down the hall and you hear behind you in a deep voice, "Hey! Why's that straw sticking out of your purse?"

Try to get yourself out of that one!

1) The presence of a Suzy Q lures Becky Widman away from her gym class to a convenient stairwell hiding place.
2) Always willing to help, Mr. White replaces the drawstring of Marie Bosche's jacket after he jokingly removed it.
3) Grinning sheepishly, Bob Eilers demonstrates the friendly way to "get back" at buddies.
4) Deep in conversation with friends, Carl Strackeljahn is caught munching an apple in the gym.

5) A closer look at this picture reveals a hidden hoard of animal crackers that helped two chemistry students survive their lab experiments.

6) The month of October found the johns totally depleted of toilet paper. Here custodian Orville Riebold seems to be wondering whose trees and yard this roll will end up on.

7) Discovering an unusual Happy Birthday surprise, Barb Bosche' stares in wonder at the ribbons and bows.

8) Promised that "I won't spill it", many good-natured bus drivers overlook the no drinking signs as shown by Mike Stumpf after a grueling wrestling match.
1) Cindy Bumb and Robin Rosenthal display their remedy for that mysterious tiring of school work that always seems to arrive with springtime.

2) With the end of school this year came the monstrous job of packing, and Steve West proved his willing helpfulness to the teachers by carrying boxes.

3) Determined not to panic in the last days of school, Lee Schmidt helps Diane Steiner look for her Journalism book that "has to be in here somewhere!"
After the fast-paced warm winter, spring seemed to take forever to arrive. Such standard spring events as the musical and the prom were held later during '76, causing the feeling that spring was a little late in its coming. However, spring's glory eventually hit HHS.

This year not only seniors were taking last looks at familiar spots around school. The second athletic banquet of the year honored the winter as well as spring athletes, while exceptionally successful seasons in most spring sports seemed to celebrate the last spring in this building.

The long ordeal of packing began. Teachers and students in the hall loaded down with boxes bearing the MD 20-29 flask fifths label brought strange smiles and a few raised eyebrowed glances from "outsiders". But every box, bag, and carton that could be found was to be used.

The weather for the spring of '76 could only be described as beautiful. Each day the chance of rain was pushed on to the next day, never arriving. But as the day of graduation rolled around, so did the rain.

The last to graduate from this school building graduated in the well known gymnasium. It was the third graduation in a row that had been held in that gym. And it was positively the last.

4) The beginning of spring brings with it the eagerness to be outside, and for these freshman and sophomore girls, the indecision of whether or not it's really warm enough to shed warm coats.

5) Trying on caps and gowns gives class clown Ken Mesle the opportunity to demonstrate his art, much to the disbelief of Vickie Klenke.

6) The Iris staff finds its attention riveted to the out-of-doors and all the springtime action that occurs there.

7) Mr. Krauss competently directs the HHS band during the annual, always well-received spring pop concert.

8) Performing an annual ritual, Barb Stieb cleans out her locker while staring down the hall quizically as if she has discovered something that she didn't know was there.
1) School publications staff members Robin Rosenthal and Cindy Bumb go through one of the many stages in putting together a quality yearbook.

2) Paw Print Staff: Rodney Miller, Dwayne Sorrell, Larry White, Co-Editor Julie Gramlich, Sue Michael, Belinda Szczepanik, Mike Leopold, Sherri Ammann, Lee Schmidt, Louise Frey, Pat Gibbons, Diane Steiner, Co-Editor Jerry Hammond and Jay Barth.

3) After the hurry and worry of putting on Highwitness News from both sides of the camera the third hour VTR crew, Mr. Larry Burke, Belinda Szczepanik, Steve West, Diane Steiner and Carl Barnett enjoy some friendly joke telling.

4) Gordon Voliva knows that the skill of being a good cameraman is only achieved by practice, practice and more practice.

Creating for others

"You mean I have to re-crop all these pictures and change the layout again?" "I'm not so sure about meeting that article deadline tomorrow." "What do you mean, my camera's out of focus?"

Random remarks like these may often be heard flying around the rooms where the Iris, Paw Print and Video Tape Recording (VTR) staffs diligently work. Though the job each group does is distinctly different, all the staffs have in common the fact that their creative efforts are for the benefit of the entire student body. For what HHS-spirited student would go without buying a Paw Print to inform him of the latest information and policies or an Iris to recapture for him all those bittersweet high school memories? And more recently, the VTR staff has provided HHS with a valuable service by recording special events (such as the Coronation, basketball games or class projects) on tape and by entertaining (yet informing) students with their home-produced version of the Highwitness News (which unfortunately, was such an ambitious task that only a few episodes could be produced).

The problems these staff members face sometime seem unsurmountable; at times, it seems that their projects will never be completed. But it is to the credit of HHS that the Paw Print, Iris (both under the guidance of Mr. Ott) and VTR (instructed by Mr. Burke), staffs always manage to handle that process of originality and hard work, known as creating, with success and excellent results.
1) Backstage and makeup crews, friends, and a few cast members attentively watch the other performers in action.

2) In the funny hat scene, Mrs. Molloy (Teri Augustine), Dolly Levi (Donna Meffert), and Minnie Fay (Bev Alarcon), hide two young men while singing "Motherhood March".

3) Dolly Levi uses all her feminine wiles to get what she wants.

4) Always with hanky in hand, Ermengarde (Lou Ann Heineman) is the weepy niece of Mr. Horace Vandergelder.

5) Miss Mary Ellen Larson takes a breather to stand back and watch her first musical take form.

6) The backdrop, designed by Mike Weidner, is clowningly but carefully painted by Curt Schwartz, Diane Steiner, and Mike himself.

7) An indignant head waiter, Rudolph (Mike Leopold) stares as Ernestina Money (Barb Stieb) prepares to do the hoochie-coochie.

8) Barnaby Tucker (Mike Weidner) and Cornelius Hackl (Ken Mesle) eagerly anticipate the bright New York lights.

9) Horace Vandergelder (Dave Rosen) realizes that "It Only Takes A Moment" for him to fall in love with Dolly Levi.

10) The chorus, a major element of the musical, sings a dynamic "Hello, Dolly" during the finale.
Perhaps best described by a word that also served as the title of one of the songs—"Elegance"—the elaborate, glittering musical "Hello, Dolly" burst upon the stage of HHS. Expensive and intricate in its production, "Hello, Dolly" served as the showcase for many budding Highland talents. The happy, humorous story of how matchmaker Dolly Levi manages to bring together two couples, while snaring an at-first unwilling Horace Vandergelder as her own, brought many smiles and laughs to faces in the audience.

Besides entertaining viewers, "Hello, Dolly" made its way into HHS history by becoming the school's very first benefit musical. Almost $2000 was raised by the performances, thereby aiding fellow cast member Dana Deibert in his fight against leukemia. The winning combination of performance excellence and good will in action brought all three evening audiences to their feet during curtain calls in salute to the hardworking people who made "Hello, Dolly" truly an all-school musical.
Combined efforts put the show on

Since "Hello, Dolly" was such a complexity of elements to put together and present, its overwhelming success could not only be attributed to the spirited performers on stage, but also to several less visible but extremely important workers. Backstage crew members found themselves getting a few moments on stage as scenes were actually changed in front of the audience. Those in charge scurried around making sure that the objects were in the right places at the right time. The glowing, colorful effect of the action on stage was aided by those students working with lighting and makeup.

Pit band members handled the difficult show music with flair. Art classes and shop classes were occupied in constructing the complicated scenery, which was of such high quality that it drew many compliments from onlookers. In all, the combination of many HHS talents, plus those of directors Mary Ellen Larson, Ken Krauss, and Jeanne Storts, produced a musical to be proud of.
1) After many long nights of rehearsal, the pit band gave a memorable performance.
2) Page Rankin and Shelly Ernst listen to instructions as they practice the steps of the dancing horse.
3) Harmonia Gardens restaurant patrons are stunned by Dolly Levi's (Donna Meffert) radiance and popularity with the waiters.
4) Ambrose Kemper (Dean Frerker) has secretly crept upstairs to be with beloved Ermengarde.
5) Kevin Wiese, a member of the indispensable backstage crew, hurriedly carries hat boxes off stage during a scene change.
6) Arriving in Yonkers, Dolly is dismayed to learn that Horace (Dave Rosen) is planning to marry Irene Molloy.
7) Paul Yesnosky, George Sconyers, and Rick Gilomen take a quick last minute look over the lighting.
8) Cornelius Hackl (Ken Mesle) suggest to Irene Molloy (Teri Augustin), Barnaby Tucker (Mike Weidner), and Minnie Fay (Bev Alarcon) that walking is the elegant thing to do.
9) Through with singing and dancing, Mr. Vandergelder decides it's time to get back to the store, as the chorus boys jump to obey.
10) Paul Daiber and Bryan Weidner await instructions before the opening night curtain.
11) Contributing to the show effort, Mr. West's classes did professional jobs on scenery construction.
1) Nancy Keith, Jack Landolt, and each of their dates find the relatively uncrowded dance floor a nice spot to have a friendly conversation.

2) Paul Yesnosky and Kris Rikli take a moment to rest and chat in between dances.

3) An elegant touch for Dave Jansen and Belinda Szczepanik is being announced by Dave Rosen as they enter the prom.

4) Many couples enjoyed the chance to dance while the band played their favorite songs.

5) Karla Hess, Lee Schmidt, Birdie Kantner, Sue Michael, and other juniors spent many hours working to make the prom a memorable evening.

6) Kathy Heim and her date find pleasure in a slow dance together.
Prom provides annual touch of elegance

Arriving at the Exposition Hall at Lindendale Park, prom-goers stepped into another world—or so it seemed. The romantic mood was amplified by the music of "The Friends". Eleven o'clock brought an end to the mystical illusion and hungry participants departed to various places for a late evening meal. All too soon May 8 was here and gone leaving only the memories of the 1976 Jr.-Sr. Prom, "Strawberry Fields Forever."
NHS Break-Away offers a change of pace

Dr. David Hoy, ESP expert, was the kick-off speaker for the National Honor Society's "Break-Away Week". "Break-Away" was a break from the two-year tradition of NHS-sponsored Westworld. Instead of one day of mini courses, "Break-Away" consisted of a week of assemblies beginning May 3 with the Annual Honors Convocation. The assembly featured a panel discussion by faculty members, administration, and board members. Thirteen new NHS members were inducted at this time and other honor students and their parents were recognized.

Other assemblies during the week included Mr. Mayer and his collection of unusual and original musical instruments, Jay Boulanger who spoke about death and the emotional hang-ups people face when confronted with death, and Dr. James Rehberger, chiropractor, who discussed the aspects of acupuncture. On Thursday, NHS sponsored a bus to Laserium at the McDonnel Planetarium for interested students.

The week concluded with the speech team from Belleville Area College who performed a series of after dinner, light comedy, and duet acting presentations.


2) A panel discussion was the feature at the Annual Honors Convocation with Mr. Sam White, Mrs. Linda Hardin, Mr. Eugene Meffert, Mr. Paul Diefenbach, Mr. Frank Prchal, and Superintendent Olin Stratton as the panel.

3) Jay Boulanger explains some emotional hang-ups people face after the loss of a loved-one.

4) Dr. James Rehberger demonstrates a few aspects of acupuncture on Mr. Dale Schmalz.

5) Dr. David Hoy helped students to understand ESP by letting them try theirs out.

6) A member of the speech team from Belleville Area College does his presentation.
Smile a while

Smile when your heart is weary, smile even though it's dreary. A smile a day keeps the blues away. Smile—it makes everyone wonder what you've been up to. Smile, I love you.

Each person carries a huge, little realized potential to brighten someone's life by simply smiling.
Contributors honored at awards assembly

An established HHS tradition is the Awards Day Assembly. Held each year shortly before the end of school, the assembly provides an opportunity for students who have excelled in a variety of areas to be recognized for their efforts. The most coveted awards are those given to students who have contributed their time and talents to better their school. In addition, many individuals are also recognized during this assembly for their personal achievements.

1) Carl Strackeljahn, Becky Stuckwisch, and Mike Tucker display their awards. Carl was selected Athlete of the Year by the coaching staff and his fellow athletes for his contributions in the area of sports. Becky received the PTA scholarship and earlier had been honored by the St. Louis Post Dispatch as a scholar athlete. Mike received the Menz Award, which is given to the lettering athlete with the highest grade point average.

2) Becky Stuckwisch receives her award from Mrs. Charles Currins.

3) Mr. Diefenbach explains the meaning of the Menz Award to recipient Mike Tucker.

4) Proudly holding their citizenship awards are Pat Gibbons, Mike Weidner, and Barb Bosch. Pat received the distinguished Dee Boulanger Award which is given to the girl who excels in citizenship, loyalty and service to her school. Mike received not only the American Legion Citizenship Award but also was named the outstanding speech student and contributor to band. Barb shared the American Legion award with Mike.

Awards

Dee Boulanger Award
PAT GIBBONS

American Legion Awards
BARD BOSCH, MIKE WEIDNER

Athlete of Year
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Graduation: The last ceremony

Graduation—it isn't just caps and gowns, speeches and diplomas. The process starts long before that actual night. The final lap begins even before the first day of that last year of high school. The initial shocker is the word senior on the registration form. But soon being the head honchos around school becomes a way of life. After all, you've worked 11 years to get there, and by now you know all the ins and outs of being students. But it can't last forever. Almost every day seniors say a quick goodbye to one thing or another around HHS. It's the last time to hide a Christmas present in a friend's locker or throw someone in the showers or lose your voice over the spirit stick or a million and one other memories to store away.

No, it can't last forever, the security of high school; but then again, who'd want it to?
1) Graduation speaker, Dr. Don Carver, SIU-E, impressed upon the graduates the importance or good followship, as well as leadership.

2) Being fitted for caps and gowns gives these senior guys ample opportunity for goofing off, while Mr. Hester patiently tries one cap after another to find that perfect fit.

3) Performing their last act together as a class, the seniors ceremoniously stand as the rest of their classmates file in on May 28.

4) Heading the long lines of graduates, junior marshals Laura Arbogast and Mark Albert await the start of the baccalaureate services.

5) Four years of hard work were rewarded for David Trauernicht and Pat Gibbons in the form of the positions of valedictorian and salutatorian.

6) After mastering the task of pinning on collars, Joann Baer helps Nancy Keith with hers.

7) Kevin Wiese and Dick (Poco) Newman seem to want to show the world that they’re seniors as they get ready for a quick game of tennis in the graduation caps.
We all had our days

"Oh no, gross Safety movies." "Did she have to give that 100 point test today?" "I can’t believe it, he asked me out!"

Those days—we all have them—sad, sick, miserable, droopy, OR wonderful, crazy, exciting, and uplifting.

All of us knew the awful feeling of a day when nothing seemed to go right. Even the inanimate appeared to have their bad moments this year—a machine broken, a daisy crushed, a valuable paper accidentally shredded. And foremost in everybody’s mind during ’76 were the many accidents that occurred. Crutches, canes, and casts were all clear evidences of the misfortune that befell some.

But, as always, those fantastic days appeared to balance the bitterness of the bad. Happiness manifested itself in different ways to everyone—whether it was a date finally secured for the prom, a class barely passed but definitely passed, a present received, or simply a smile given in the hall.
We lived our year, filled with everything. The homecoming, the prom, homework, fieldtrips, parties, the ups, the downs. For the most part, the same kind of year we've always had at HHS. But as May came around and the school year wound to a close, our thoughts were turned from 1600 Lindenthal to the other side of town, where the new school was being completed.
The school started as an empty field. Since then we've watched it change from a line of bricks marking the outline, to half-finished walls, and finally to a shell with a roof, windows, doors, and a few furnishings.
The bond issue passed on June 1, 1974. From then on the progress seemed slow but sure. We were aware of the new school constantly, as the issue of closed campus the size of the rooms, the facilities and the lack of facilities, the advantages and the disadvantages were all discussed. But as packing began and the new school loomed near, we took time out for . . .
... a Last Look
The year drew to a close bringing with it a vast array of boxes. Books, paper, paint, machines, hangers, all had to be taken to the new school. In addition to the usual end-of-year chaos, students attending classes found themselves learning the art of packing as the faculty became pressed for time. All was eventually boxed up and the flag was lowered for the last time. High school at 1600 Lindenthal had officially ended.
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