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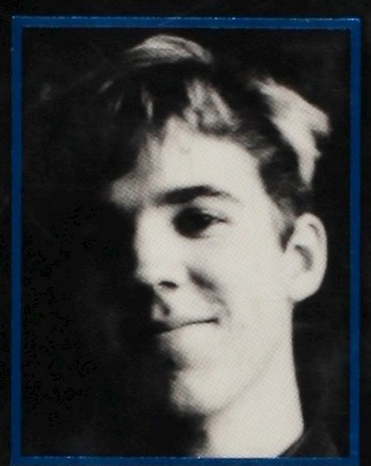

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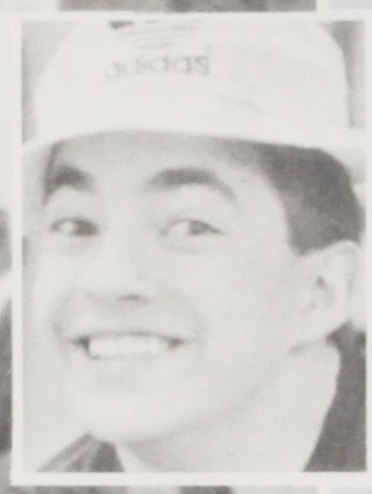

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GREAT AND GETTING BETTER

Great and Getting Better? What's that supposed to mean? For Benson students, it means a broadened, more exciting program of curriculum, that doesn't take a set of encyclopedias to understand. Beginning this year, freshmen will find a much simpler shop program, a new emphasis on cooperation and continuity.

The shop program has been re-evaluated, and several changes have taken place. The program has been tightened, with all linked shops arranged in clusters. These cluster shops will offer a broader view of the entire field, giving the freshmen a better chance to decide what field they would most like to specialize in.

But shops are not the only area that have been revitalized. The academic portion of Benson has seen its fair share of change, too. There will be a cooperative effort between shops and English classes, to enforce quality in technical writing, as well as lab work (reporting) in the science classes.

The entire program will not be in effect until 1990, when this years freshmen are seniors.

CHANGES COME IN BIG PACKAGES

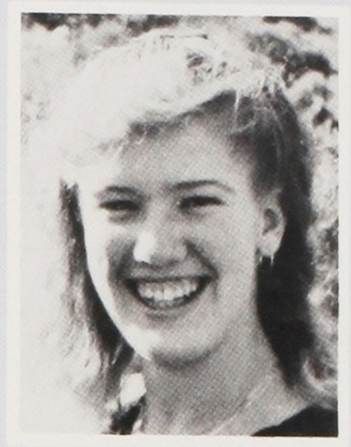
The new program ran well. The four new shop areas — Communications, Manufacturing, Electronics, Transportation — offered the freshmen a broad exposure to the working world. "The reason for the program was to create a curriculum overview," stated Vice principal David Williams." "The major advantage is that if it feeds into a changed curriculum for ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades."

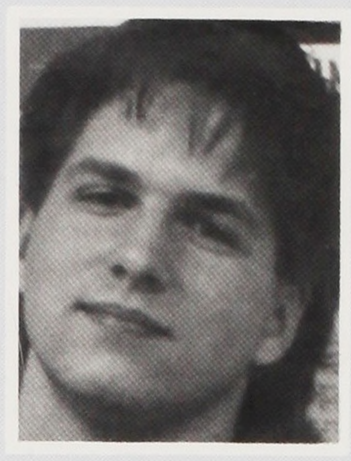
In Electric-Electronic some of the changes included new projects, more soldering and additional work with meters. Teachers also required a career research paper and a notebook.

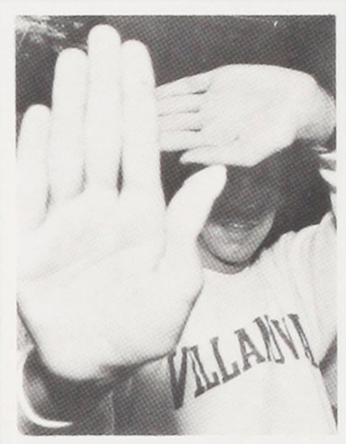
Graphics classes in the communications program helped freshmen learn more about his major. "You can get an idea about careers you want to get into in the future and you can get experience in things you haven't done before," said Kathy Bacon (9).

Freshman Manufacturing represented a true innovation in terms of shops at Benson, combining a number of shop classes into one class. Instructors promoted the concept of "team effort." Each member was responsible for producing a part that was built with precision. As in a factory, each student became proficient in the operation of one machine, simulating real working conditions.

While the new Transportation freshman shop wasn't radically different from the Automotive exploratory shop, the curriculum added the study of marine vehicles and all types of land transportation to the pre-existing small engine assembly and disassembly and soldering practice.







STUDENTS FULFILL GREAT EXPECTATIONS

We saw how Benson was "Great and Getting Better" from an administrative point of view, now how about from the students' perspective?

Benson spirit was revitalized by the student rally. Rally member Tricia Hartel (12) said, "The rally has brought more enthusiasm to sports events and has increased attendance at all events. Because of this, Benson has a better image in Portland."

"Erica Warren, captain of the varsity squad has had a lot to do with this. She gave the squad its major driving force. She was our backbone," said Doug Whitmore (12), rally member.

The student body also had a strong student council, a council which had a say in much of the goings-on of school life. "We have meetings once every week, on Tuesdays. The entire assembly meets every other Thursday. We make most of our class decisions on Tuesdays, then, have them approved during Thursday meetings," explained Mary Kwapich (10).

Because of the strong student council "cooperation and understanding between the administration and the student body has definitely increased," concluded Jerome Mitchell, student body president.

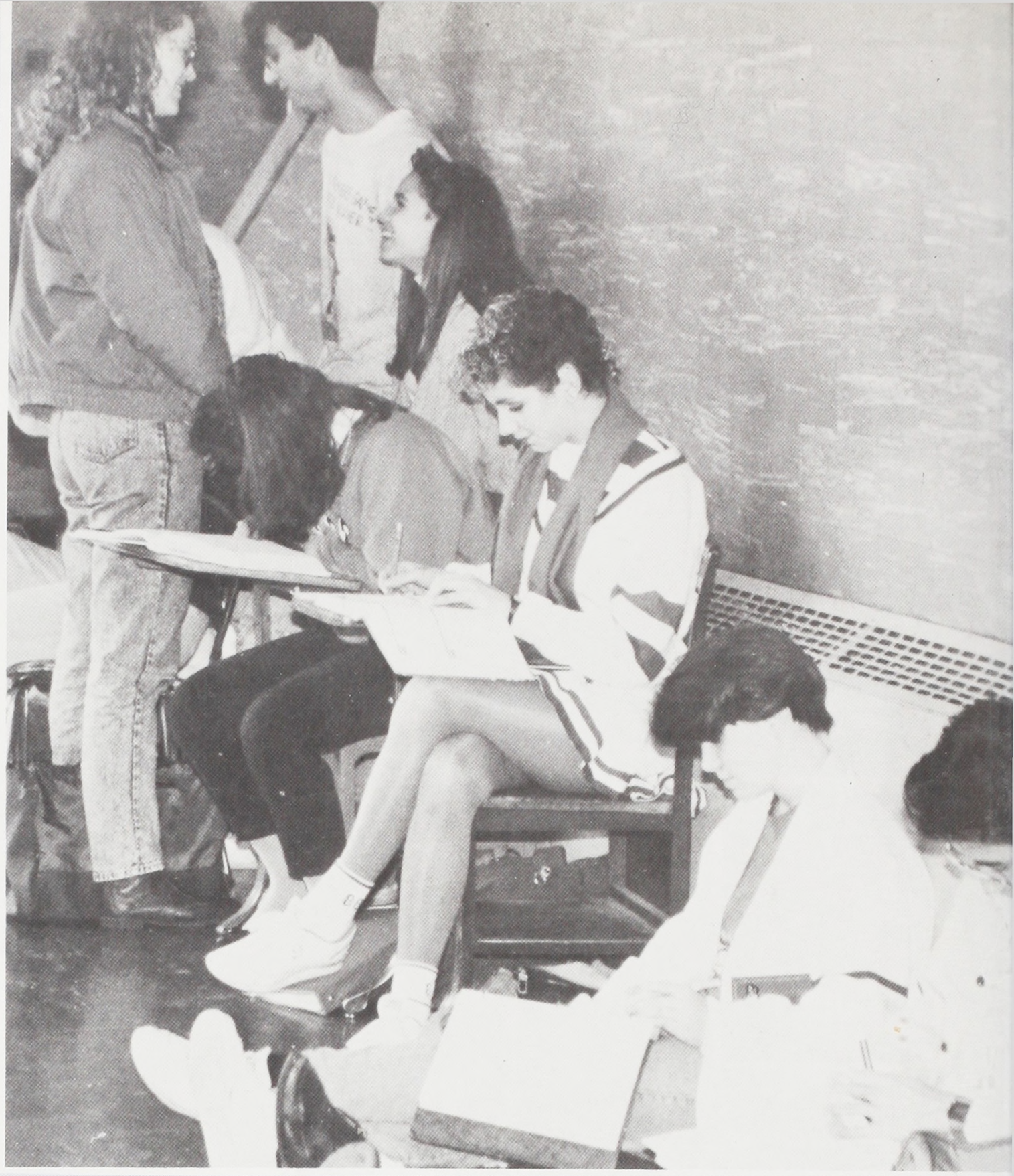
Benson's new literary and art magazine, *Infinity Abridged,* featured student art, photography, and writing. Its publication demonstrates a cooperative effort among English, art, photography, and printing. "This magazine could be thought of as a symbol of things to come, of cooperation between the technical and academic departments of Benson," said David Porter (12) one of the editors of *Infinity.* "It really is at the heart of the new curriculum."

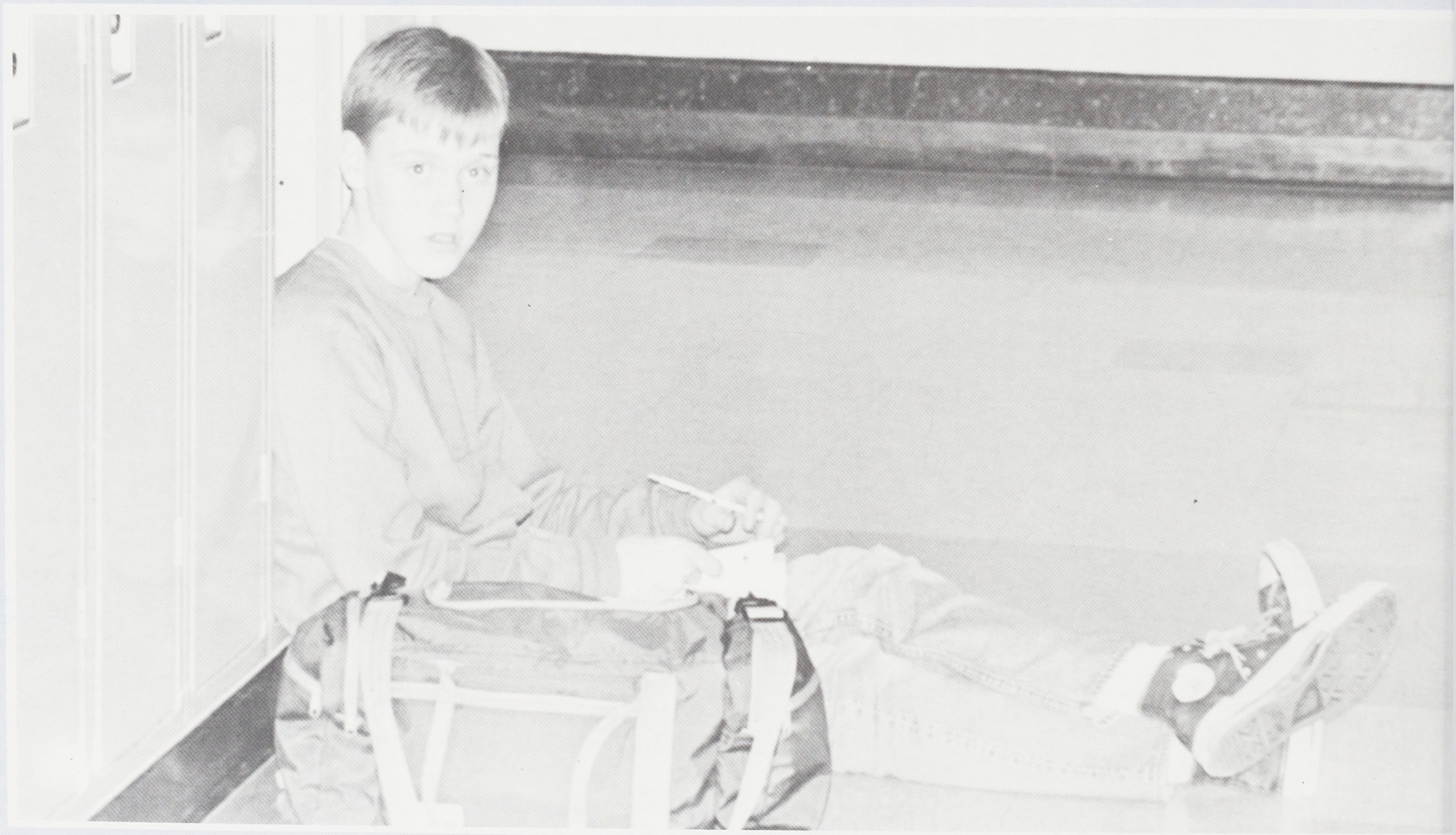
Several additional student organizations popped up and others expanded. With broadened activities and increased spirit, Benson was "Great and Getting Better."

A PLACE IN THE HALLS

Several seniors congregate near the heaters. Karen Fornwald (12), Furqan Nazeeri (12), and Emelie Ortiz talk while D. D. Dalpiaz, Katie Hawes, and Jack Bee study.

Sitting outside his classroom, Jael Sheley (10) waits for the bell.





Joel Sheely (10) completes homework at his locker.

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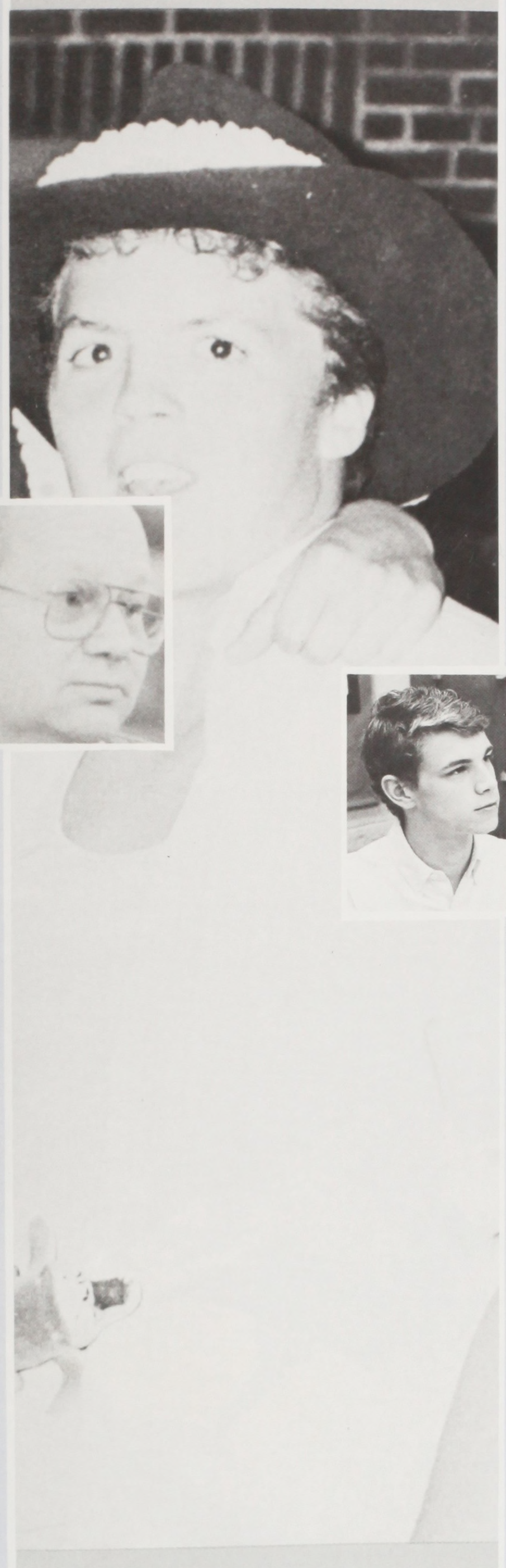
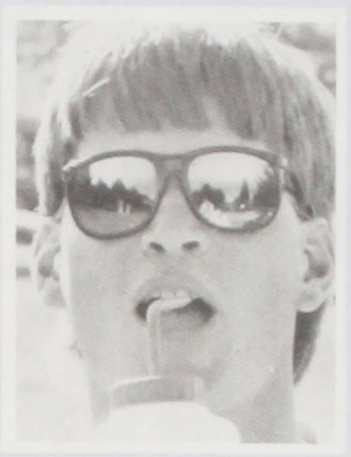
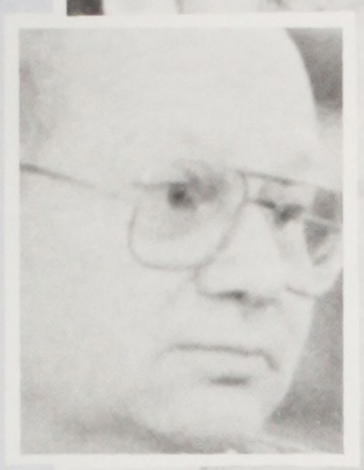
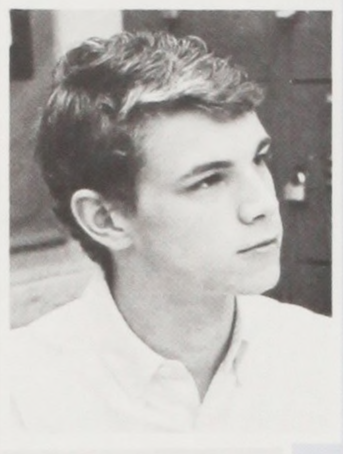








SUMMER WHIRLS TO A CLOSE

Waterskiing, skydiving, competitive swimming, climbing the wall of China, traveling, and biking down the Oregon Coast were ways some Benson students and faculty spent their summer vacations.

Chris Elliot (10) spent his weekends kayaking down the Deshutes River in Maupin, Oregon. Chris Elliot said, "Kayaking is a lot of fun, but it can also be very dangerous because there's always the possibility of the kayak tipping over."

Aaron Leslie (12) spent his entire summer working at the University of Delaware. Aaron worked on PDI alarm systems for the college dorms. Aaron Leslie said, "Traveling expands my horizons." In previous summers Aaron travelled to foreign countries.

Chris Elliot (10) fights the white waters of the Deschutes River.

Mrs. Wachlin enjoys her walk along the Great Wall of China.

Sekou Ford (10) prefers the still waters of the Deschutes.

FRESHMEN ARRIVE FIRST

Something happened on September 8, that has never happened before — a day of school for freshman only. Freshman familiarized themselves with Benson and their classrooms.

Melissa Willis (9) said, "My first day of school was very hectic and confusing. I had no idea where I was going."

Yong Pak (9) replied, "Benson is very big. I was tardy to every class!"

But several freshmen agreed that they're glad they're going to Benson. Shelli Williams (9) stated, "Benson is what I expected. I've made a lot of friends, and I'm having a lot of fun."

Joseph Rudic (9) stated, "I'm glad I chose Tech!"

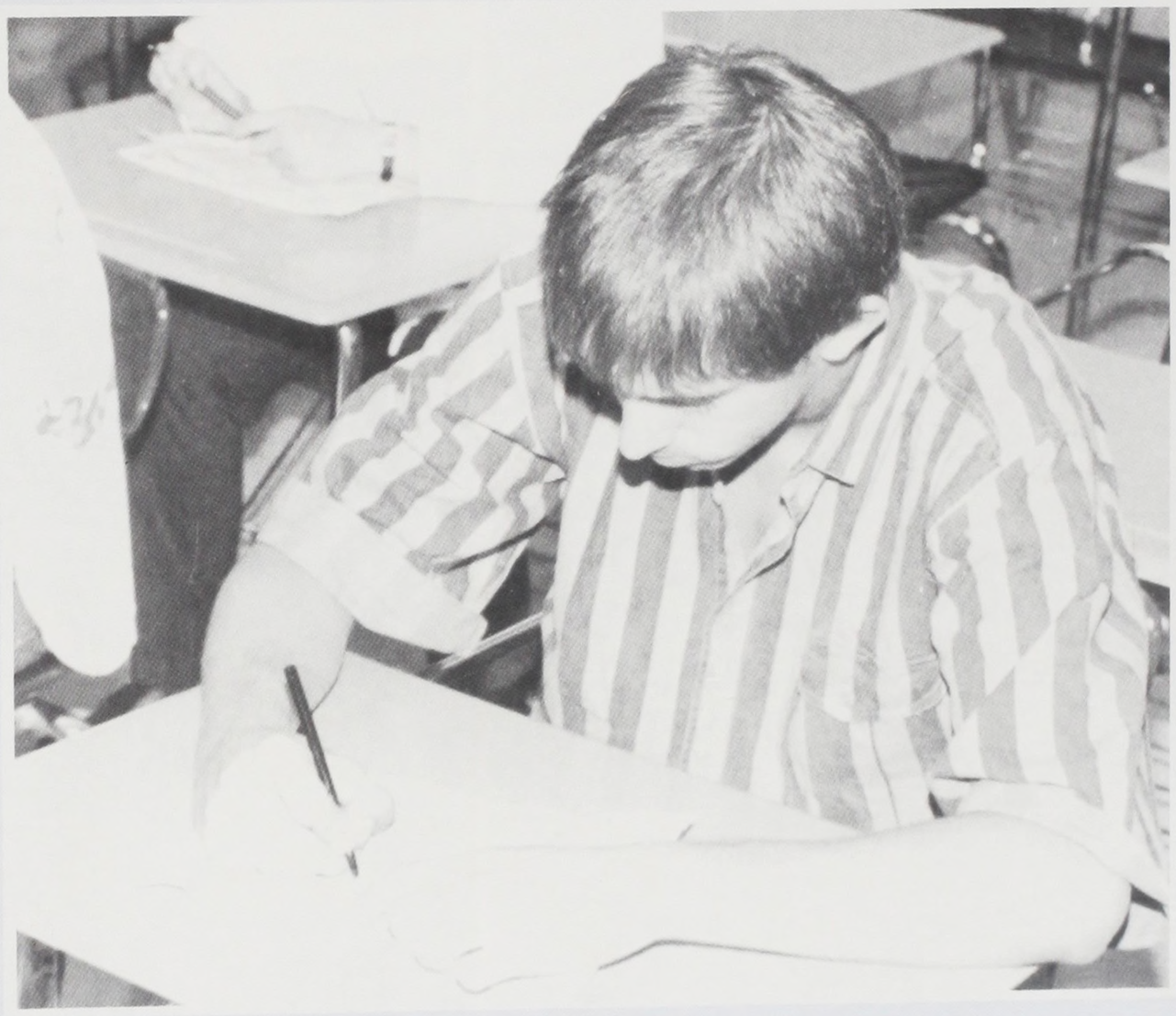
When asked what they think of the upperclassmen, Damarys Sosa (9) said, "They're nice and very helpful."

Eric Beemer (9) said, "They're a little bossy and push us freshman around too much. But then again — that's tradition!"

Mrs. Peterson gives an introduction to her freshman P.E. class.

Neil Potter (9), Eric Laursen (9), and others look apprehensive as they go to their next class.

Monica Crum (9) and Denice Giambrone (9) are baffled over their schedule.



Bruce Edwards (9) looks over the floor plan of Benson to locate his next class.

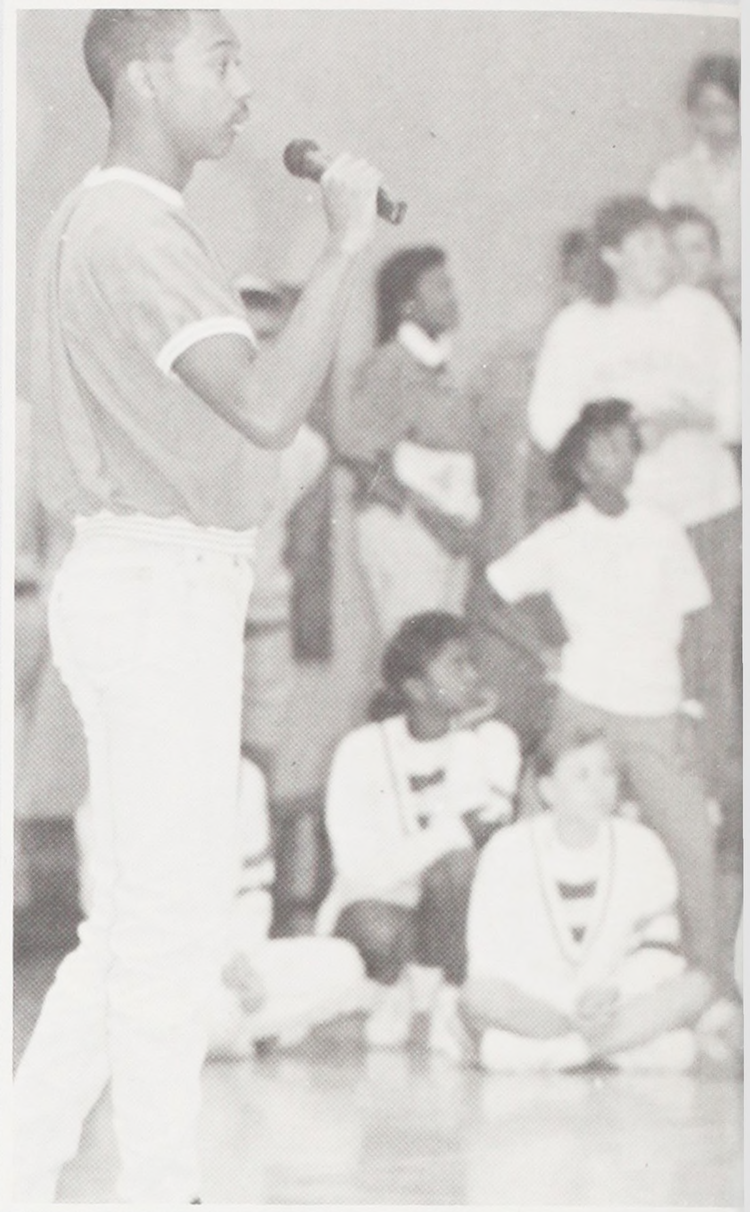
FALL INTO SPIRIT

Spirit was alive and well during Homecoming Week, even though student organizers had to rush the planning and organizing. "We would like to have Homecoming in late October rather than the third week of school," said dance chairman Brian Oliver (12), "But we make the best of the schedule assigned us by the district." Nevertheless, the early start did not lesson student involvement.

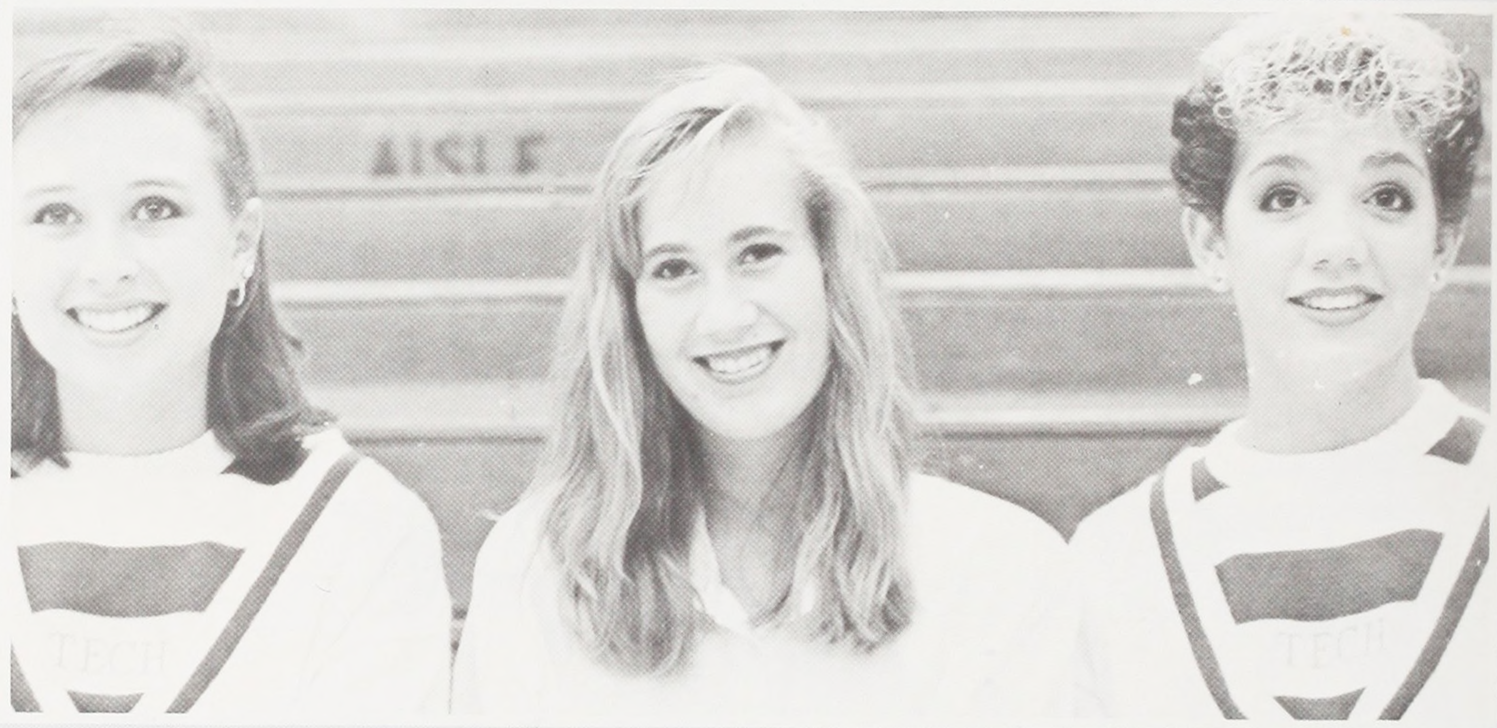
The week began with Hawaiian Day, and colorfully clad students gave these hallowed halls the aura of a tropical island paradise. The next day these same potential hula warriors arrived dressed in their best "jammies," clutching teddy bears, and looking ready for a long winter's nap. Wednesday, Toga Day, the well dressed Benson student wore his or her favorite sheet in styles and colors that would shock even the most liberal Roman. On Thursday everybody dressed up in their finest attire, which happened to range from blue denims to formal wear. Blue and Orange Day finished the week in a grand showing of school colors from orange sneakers to blue hair ribbons. "This weeks array of costumes was a sight to see," said Summer Sahm (10).

A pep assembly was held to introduce the varsity football players, and once again the seniors won class competition.

Friday night was the Homecoming Game. The Techmen beat Cleveland 41-0; Benson's third shutout victory. The Homecoming Dance ended the week in a "Fall Fantasy." Senior D. D. Dalpiaz was crowned Homecoming Queen. The princesses representing each class were: Tracy Richardson (12), Renee Lofgren (12), Mary Norris (11), Donna Olson (10), and Becky Farrell (9).

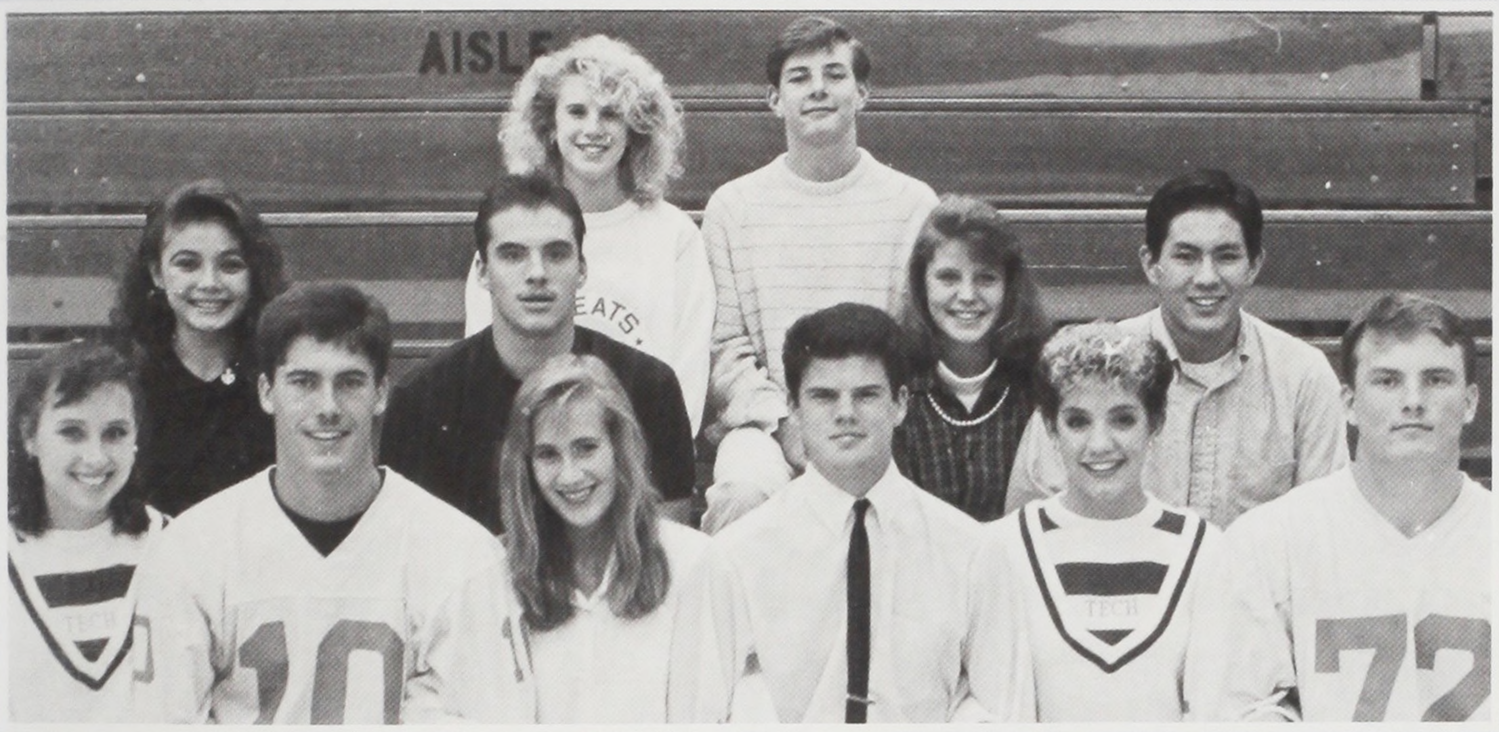


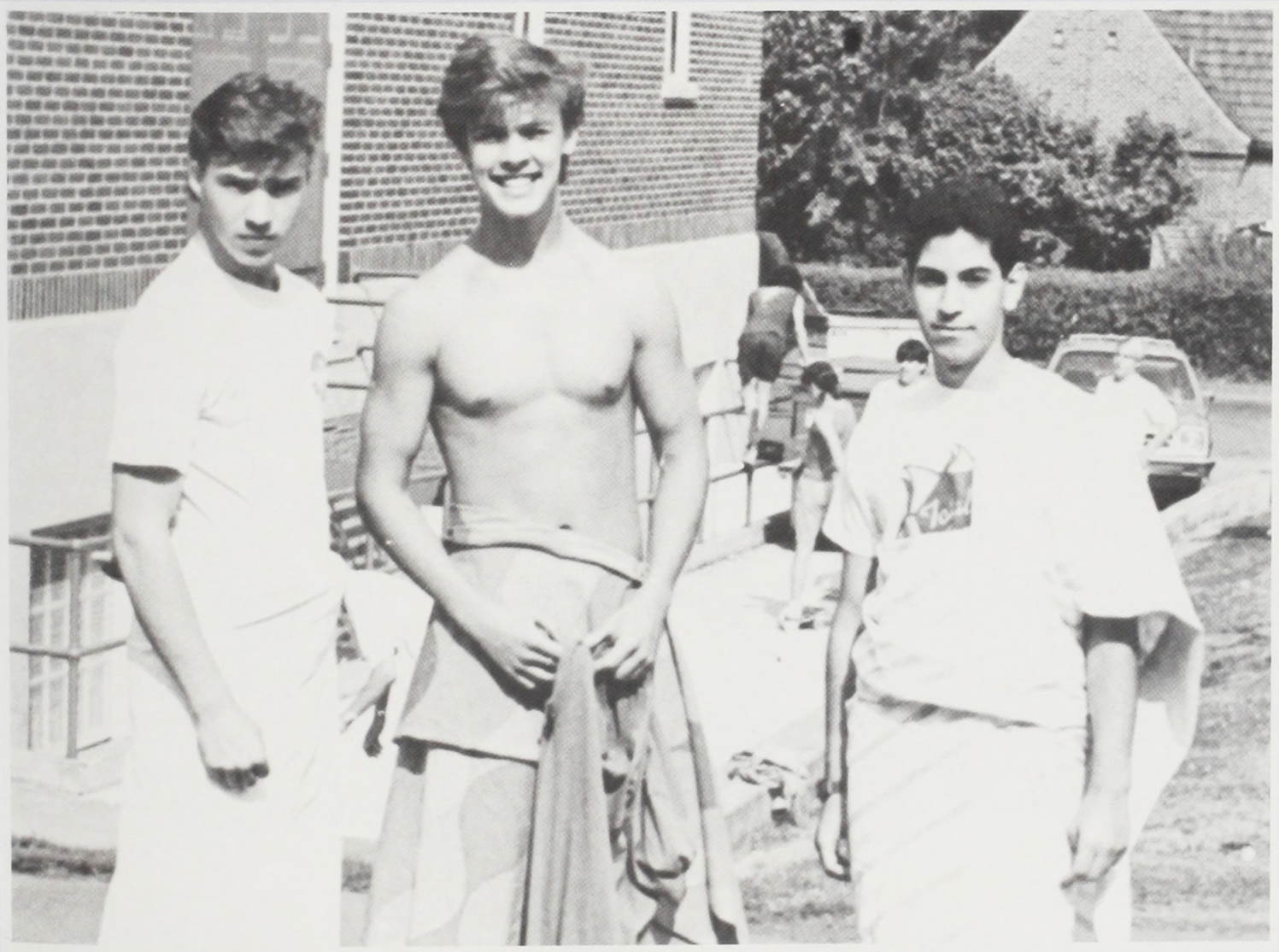
Jerome Mitchell tries to quite down a spirited Homecoming assembly.



Senior princesses Tracy Richardson and Renee Lofgren with Queen D. D. Dalpiaz smile in pleasure upon hearing they have been elected to the Homecoming Court.

Walter Baily (12) and Rodney Hicks (12) race against the juniors.





▲ Mary Norris (11), Chris Tujo (11), D. D. Dalpiaz (12), George Runyan (12), Renee Lofgren (12), Peter Collins (12), and Brian Ripley (11), after D. D. is announced Queen.

◀ Homecoming Court: A) Becky Farrell (9), Caleb Borcher (9), B) Mary Norris (11), John Hardy (11), Donna Olson (10), Mike Schultz (10), C) Tracy Richardson (12), Matt Asay (12), Renee Lofgren (12), Peter Collins (12), D. D. Dalpiaz (12), and George Runyan (12).

▼ Arthur Lyle (11), Willie Parno (11), and Steve Alfno (11) show off their togas.

WHAT'S BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

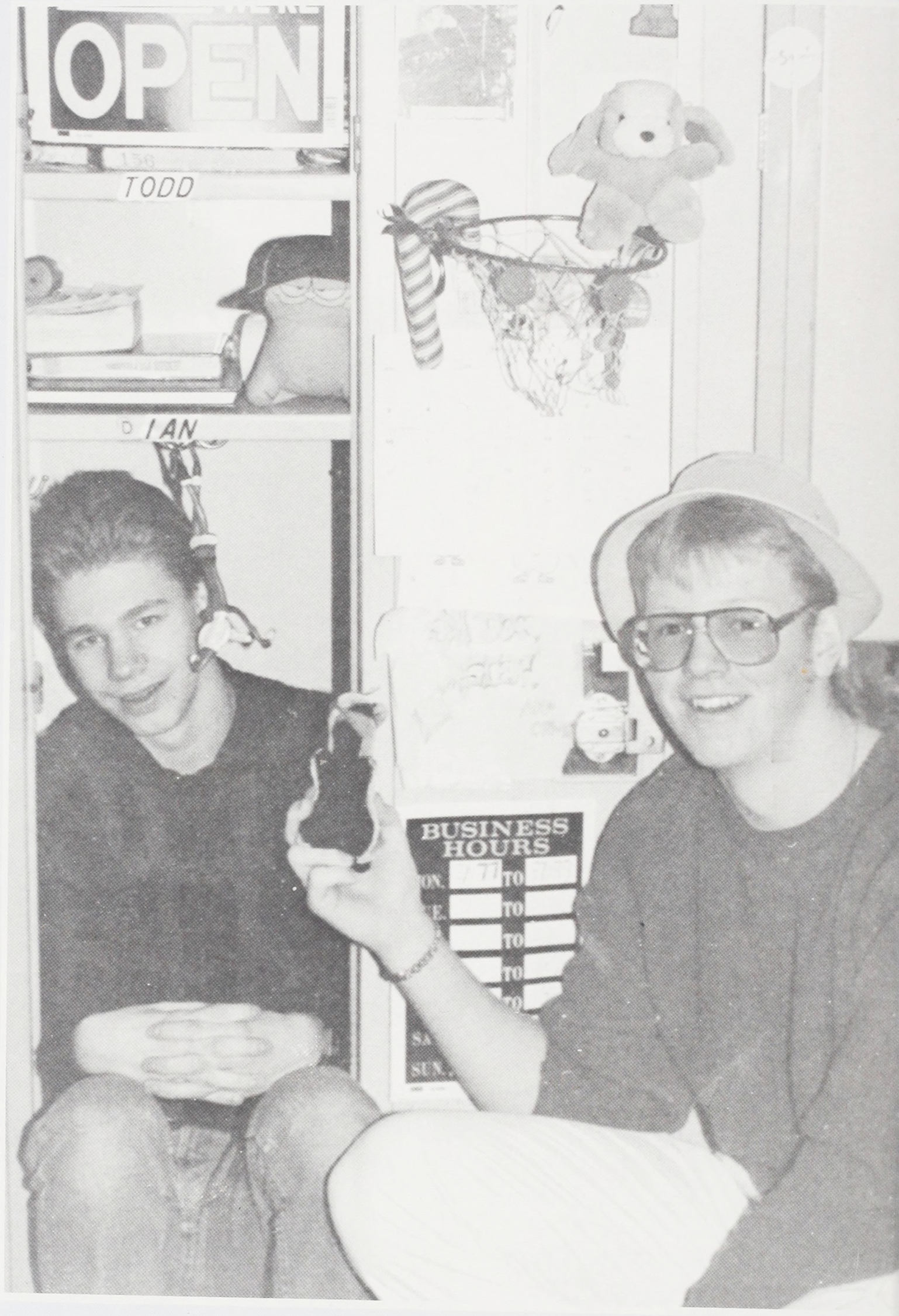
Locker decorations have helped bring interest to the Benson halls. Some people put up pictures of their friends, or favorite stars and singers. Other put up headlines from magazines and other "in" logos.

But why? Cynthia Baldwin (10) explained, "I have to go to my locker so many times a day that it has to be vibrant and fun to look at since all those books can put a real damper on your day."

Alisa Cole (12) said, "Lockers are too dull and boring, so I decorate mine with pictures of good looking men because it puts me in a good mood."

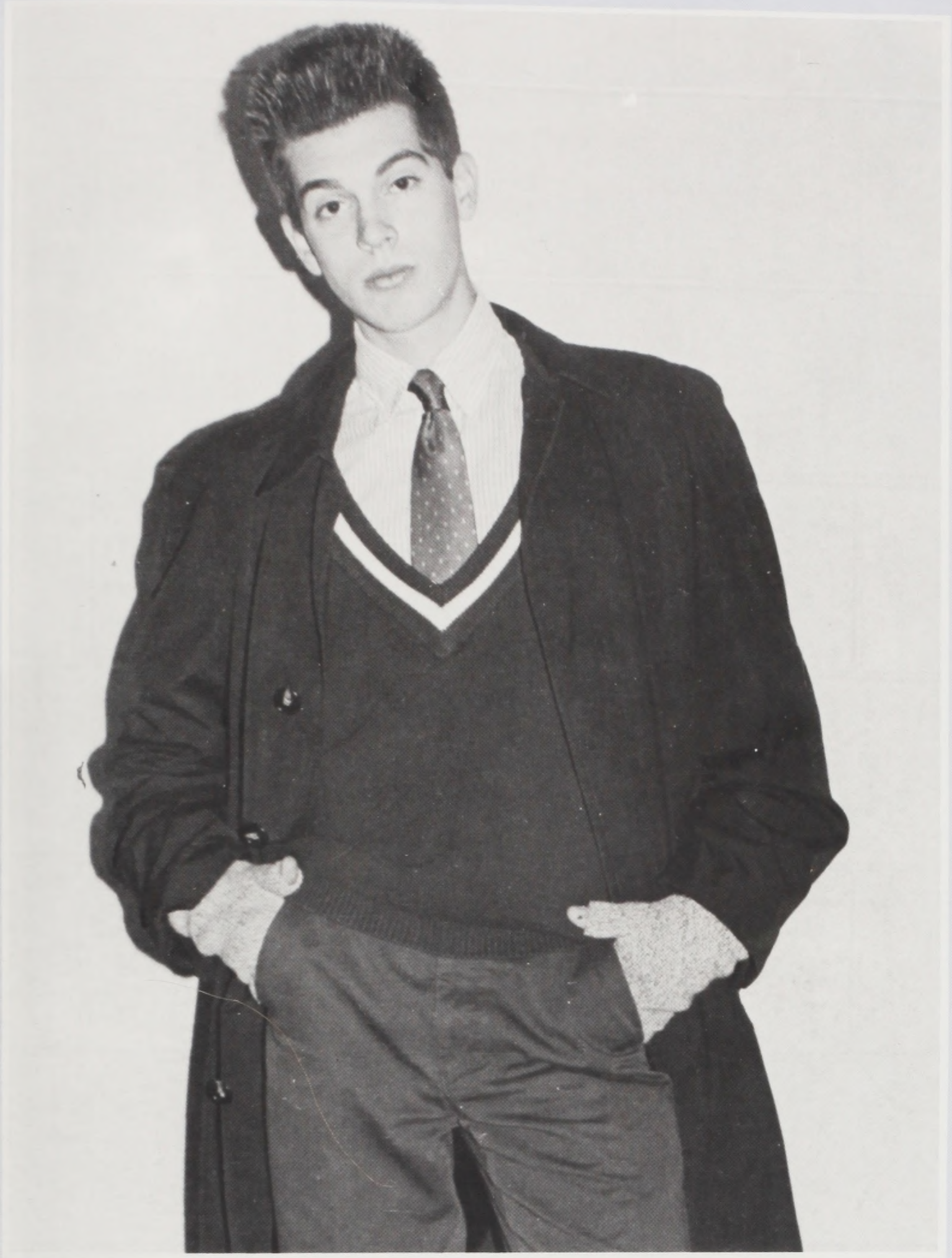
A clutter of various momentos in Todd Brown (11) and Dian Gamble's (10) locker.

Sue Sears (9) and Nguyet Le's (9) locker displays a collage of posters.



Troy Davis (9) put up a picture of a go-cart.

FASHION FLASH OF "DEJA VU"



The fashion choices of today are up to the individual, but if you see it once, you'll see it again. Yes, ultimately each individual chooses his or her own look, but money (or lack of it) and the crowd a student runs with always influences what's hot or not. The clothing market has an influence too. If it's not in the stores, it's not a choice.

But, no matter what crowd a person is in, it seems everyone is wearing some black and more body fitting clothes.

Many girls are wearing short mini-skirts, while guys are wearing sweaters, Levis, trench coats, and the G.Q. look. Both girls and guys are wearing turtlenecks. And there's one thing that keeps getting hotter with almost everyone — acid wash denim. Chances are whatever the fashion, you'll see it more than once.

Eli Theard (12) suits up in his G.Q. look.

Tasha Moore (11), like many other students, puts together her own look.

Polo shoes are the latest footwear of today.

Tim Jones (12) sports a shirt with a Fila logo, a logo which can be seen on anything from shoes to caps.

Josh Welch (12) uses several forms of transportation, but on the skateboard, he flies through the air with the greatest of ease.

TO DRIVE OR NOT TO DRIVE

How do you get from one place to another — party, school, dates? Most people who think of transportation think cars, but not all students rely on cars as their form of transportation. Some ride bikes, skateboards, motorcycles, mopeds, bus, Max, and yes, some even walk.

On the average, a student who takes Tri-met or Max would spend $20.00 a month or $200.00 for the school year. For a student who uses gas, the average varies. One student may have games, practices, parties, dates . . . A reasonable average would be $10.00 a week or $400.00 a school year. That's a dreadful waste — between $200.00 and $500.00 a year on transportation. But wait, for those automobile owners, there's insurance and maintenance! Oh, there goes all the money.

(upper left) Upon arriving at school, Jason Stabe (11) parks his motorcycle.

(above) Before school, Neil Paragas (12) and Kevin Nelson (9) relax in the warm October sunshine.

Benson students crowd onto Max at the Lloyd Center Station.

WORLD ARRIVES AT OUR DOORSTEP

Foreign born students live in the U.S. for a variety of reasons. Manuela Scheid (11) attended Benson as a foreign exchange student from Rückershausen, a small town in West Germany. "The best thing about Benson is all the choices of classes available to students," said Manuela.

Manuela had more subjects but fewer choices in Germany. In addition to her weekday classes, Manuela went to school every Saturday. She speaks French, Latin, and English as well as German.

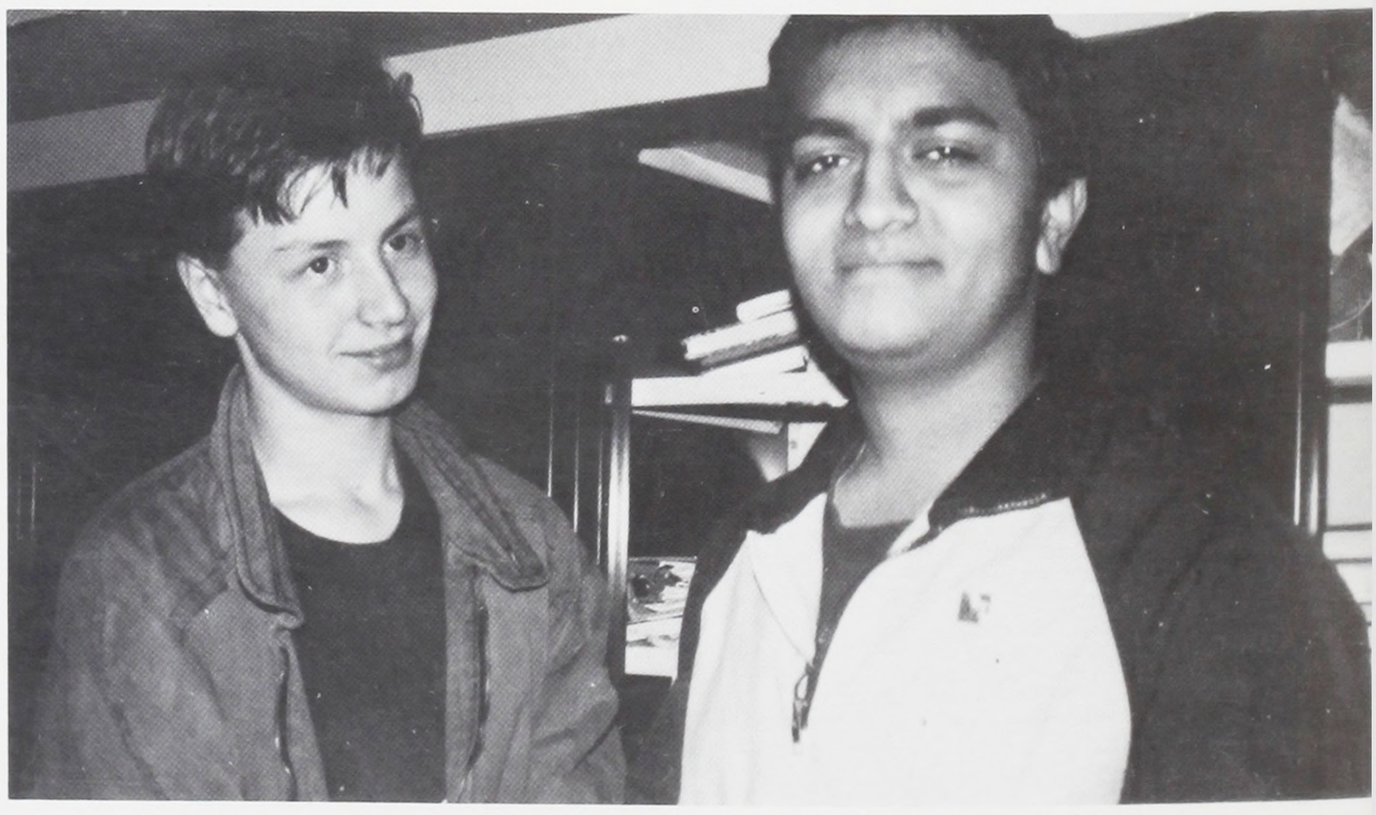
Freedom was the main reason Quyen Quach moved to the United States with her three older brothers and two sisters. "In America I have a better opportunity to be whatever I want," said Quyen. When Quyen moved from Vietnam at age five, she didn't know how to speak or understand the English language. Next year she plans to study engineering in college.

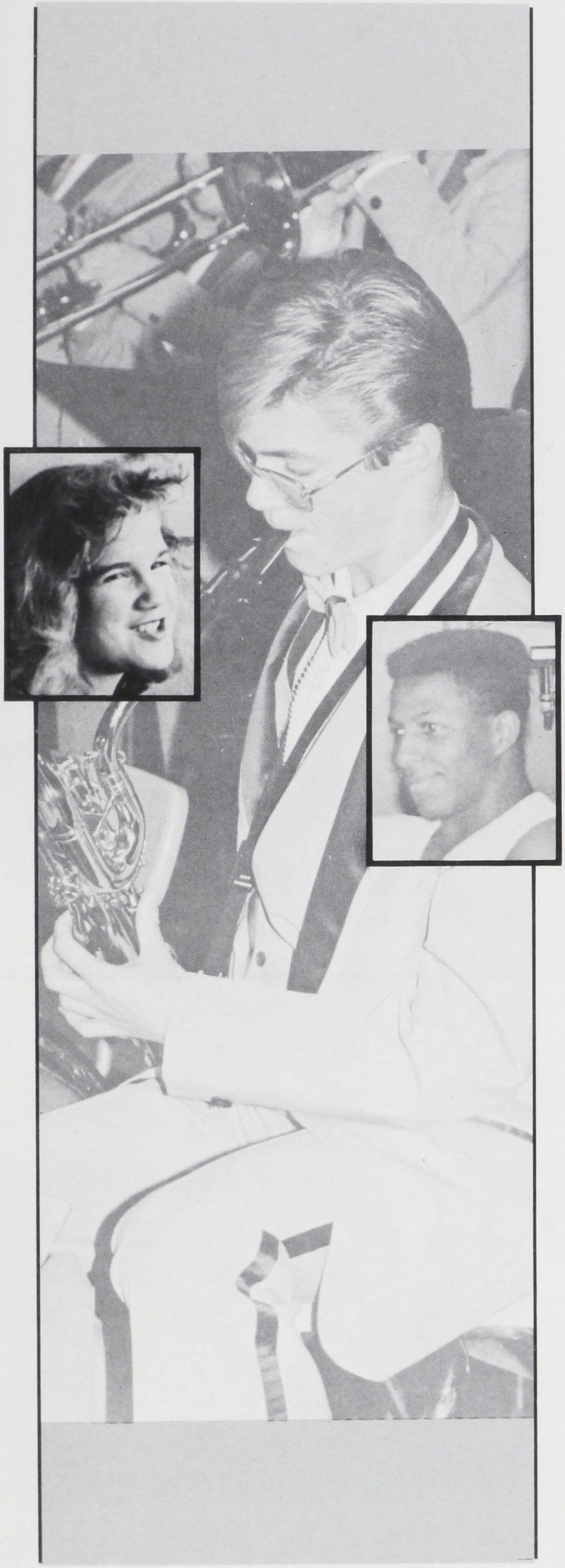
Bhavin Patel (10) came to the United States from India when he was about seven years old. Bhavin's family came for the educational and business opportunities. Bhavin speaks an Indian language as well as English.

Seated, Manuela Scheid (11) poses with friends Lajena Williams (11), Franelia Curaming (10), and Lea Schellhaus (10).

Quyen Quach (12) recalls her early years in Vietnam.

Bhavin Patel (10) and Brian Aguirre (10) chat with friends before school.





ACTIVITIES

OFFICERS

PREPARE TO SERVE

Student government officers prepared for their responsibilities at two leadership conferences held at Jantzen Beach Red Lion. These conferences gave the officers insight, experience, and guidance for the year's work.

A vacation camp adventure also helped students learn to work as a team and to enjoy their terms in office. "All officers were aware of their respective duties," said Mr. Bob Stuart, student government advisor. "They had job descriptions and learned that success meant following through on assignments."

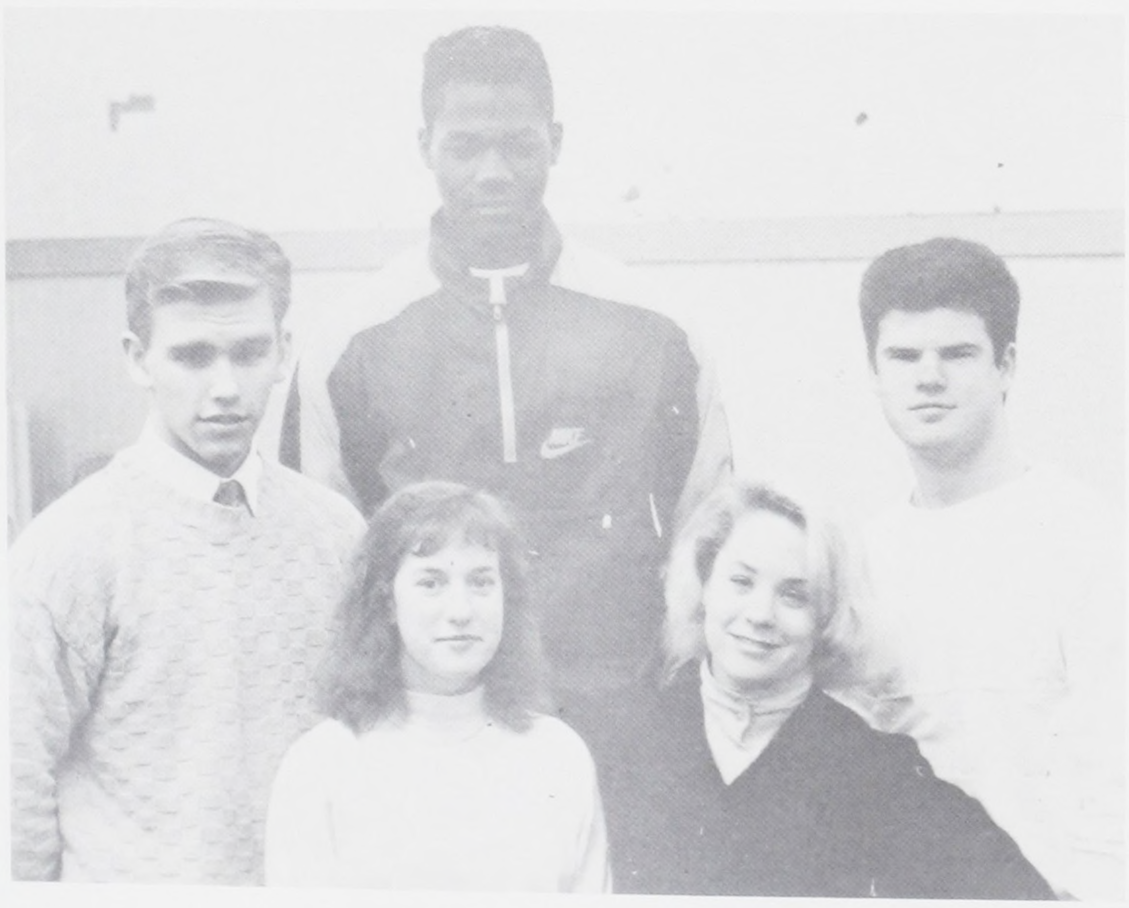
Freshman class president, Eric Jenkins said, "I've really learned that I have to take responsibility for each project — that each takes work."

Student officers worked on fund raisers, assemblies, and special activities. Dances, hosted by each of the classes, were the most successful fund raisers. A few fund raisers, like the junior class teddy bear sales, didn't bring in the expected funds.

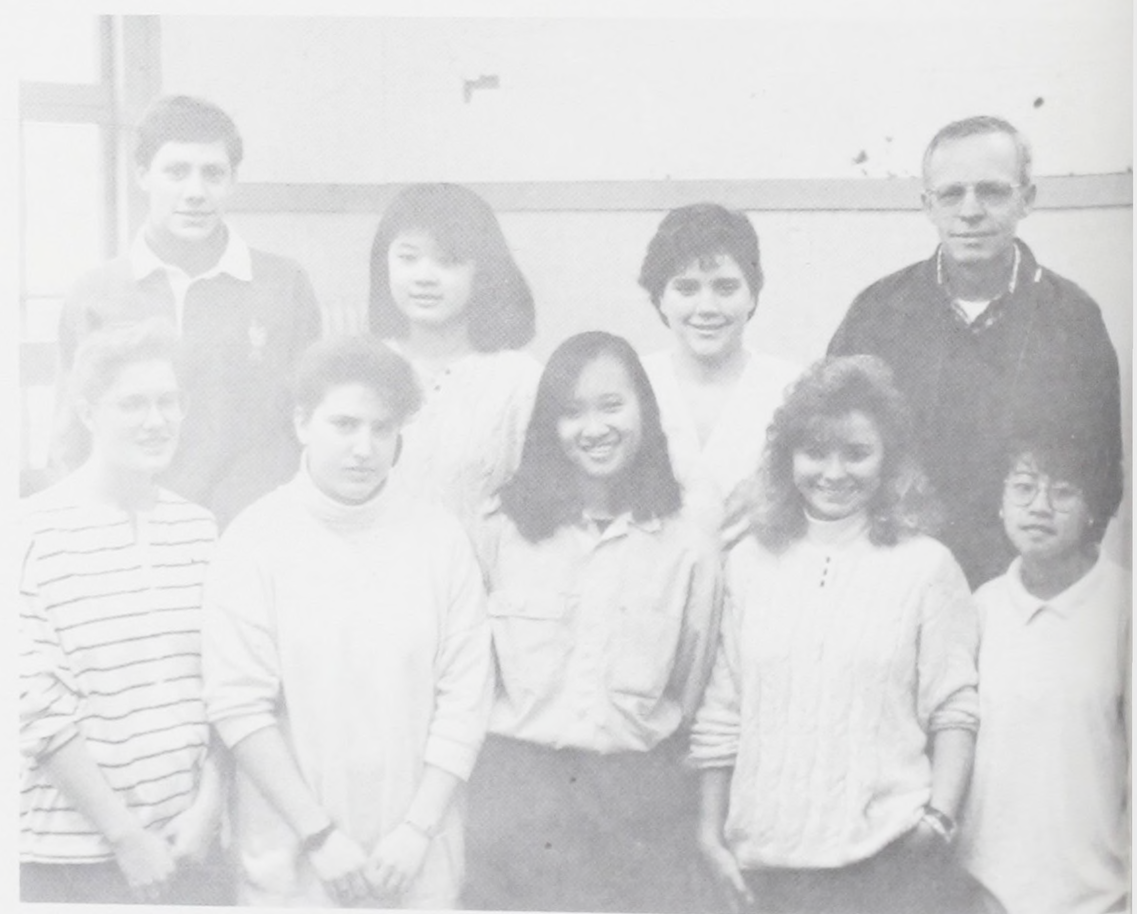
The entire student council cooperated on Project Second Wind, a food drive. A fifty dollar prize inspired reg. rooms to compete for top donations and brought in a record high number of pounds of food.

Chow Phan, Wendi Ingle, and Kelly Mitts discuss possible fund raisers for the junior class.

Marty Kuhl and Kinh Lai try to decide how much to charge for the junior class car wash.



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS, FRONT: Dan Zuckerman, Lynda Reese, Debi Reirsgaard (vice-president), and Peter Collins (president). BACK: Ricky Faison. NOT PICTURED: Connie Tran (secretary) and Shannon Hendrickson (treasurer).



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS, FRONT: Kelly Mitts, Charlene Childs (secretary), To-Quyen Chu, Wendi Ingle (vice-president), and Chau Phan (president). BACK: Keith Duplessie, Kinh Lai, Christy Antonsen, ar Mr. Bob Sinclair (advisor). NOT PIC TURED: Duran Beasley (treasurer).

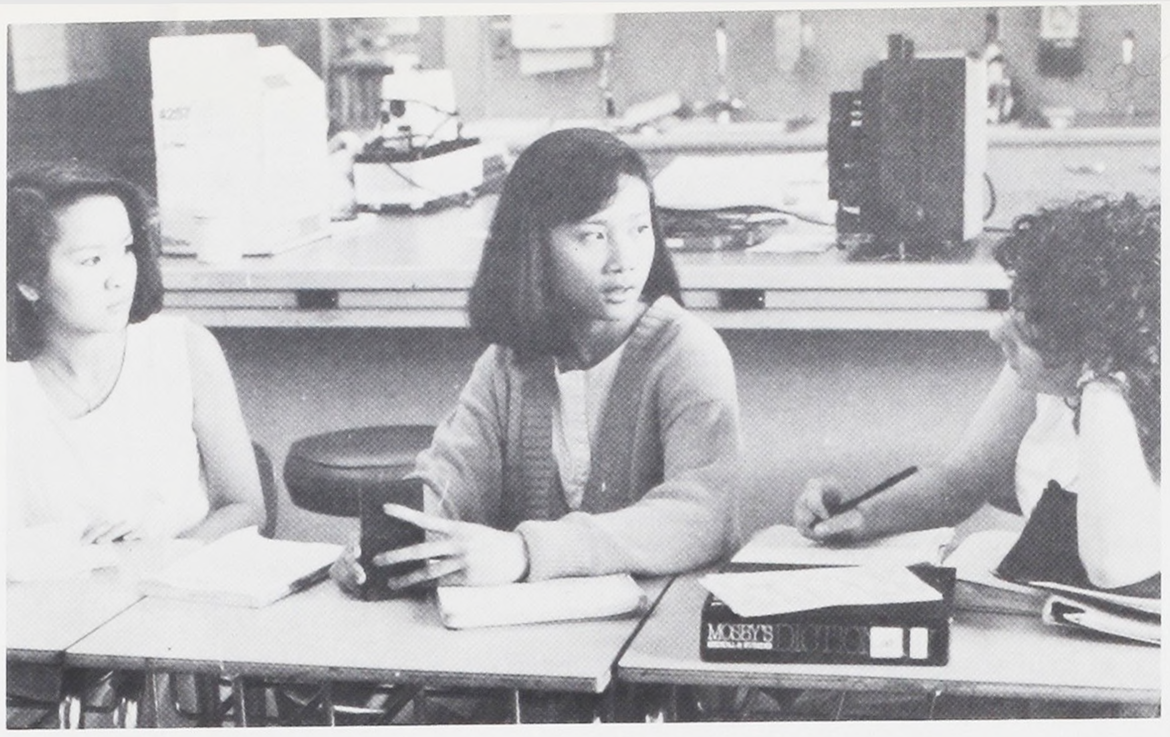
Student Body President, Jerome Mitchell, interviews a 1937 graduate of Benson, Arthur DeSchade. Mr. DeShade was the M.C. at the 1937 Tech Show, a job Jerome had in 1988.

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS, FRONT: Keith Duplessie, Stefanie Lawson (treasurer), O'Shannah Gillis (second vice-president), Emelie Ortiz (first vice-president), Mark Dupessie. BACK: Mr. Robert Stuart (advisor). NOT PICTURED: Jerome Mitchell (president) and Reneé Lofgren (secretary).

OPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS, FRONT: ez Ruiz, Shannon Scarth, Mike Guer- cagoitia, Ken Sasaki, and advisor Jim Owens. SECOND: Jennifer Hathaway, Elesa Faison, Pat Kneeland, Mary Kwapich, Katie VanWinkle.

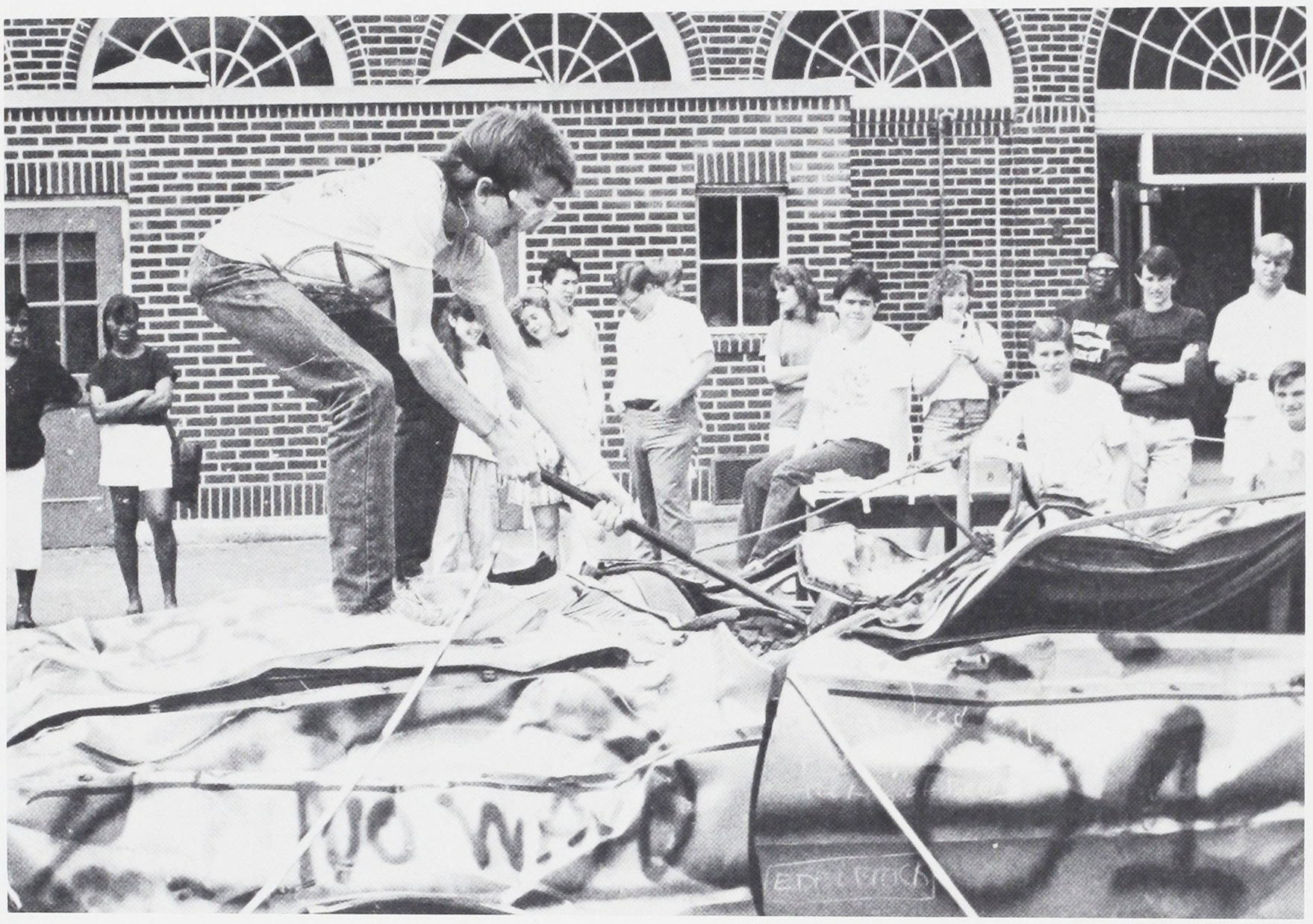
FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS, FRONT: Steve Fung, Faresa Bell, Andrea Hooper (secretary), Myra Bonar, Christine Allen, and Ms. Sarah Callahan (advisor). BACK: Shreeyash Palshikar (vice-president), Eric Jenkins (president), Mike Reed, Sean Mitts, and Jason Wisner. NOT PICTURED: Andrea Hooper (secretary) and Derek Oliver (treasurer).

Kevin Hill (11), first place winner in the VICA Skill Olympics photography division, snaps a picture.

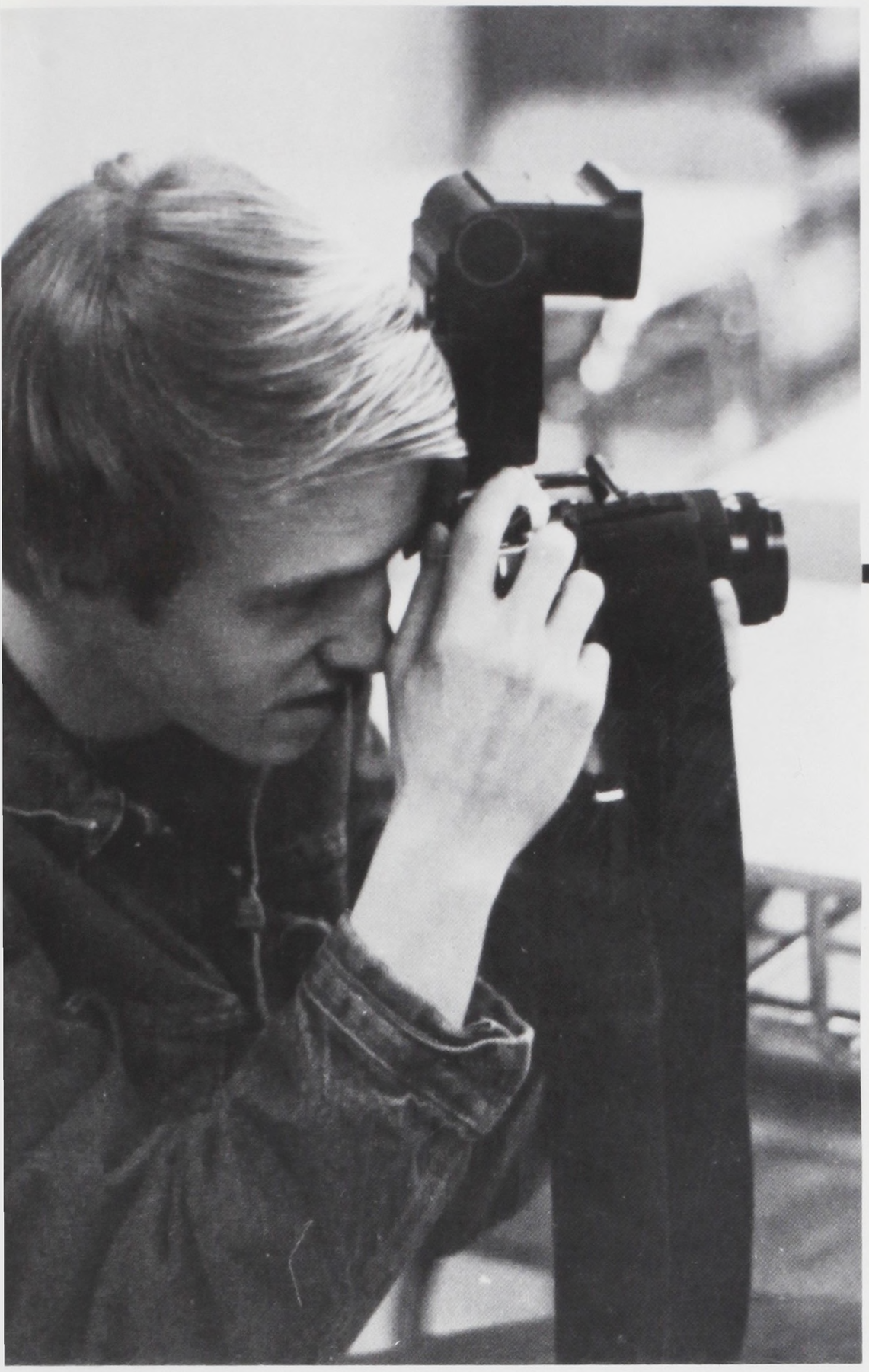


HOSA officers Helen Hoang (11), Connie Tran (12), and Brittany Greenspon (11) discuss the agenda for their meeting.

Throwing his weight into it, Steve Hatrup (12) lands a blow in the VICA car bash fund raiser.



VICA OFFICERS, FRONT: Kelly Mitts (11), Connie Lee (11), Kinh Lai (11). BACK: Advisor Robert Jeffery, Dan Zuckerman (12), Eli Therd (12).



STUDENTS SHOW OFF ABILITIES

HOSA and VICA clubs allowed students to demonstrate skills associated with their majors.

Skills of VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) students contributed to the school. Not only did the BATS, auditorium technical staff, take care of details, but also another group of VICA members operated the electronic message board in the main hall. BATS also learned to run the new $100,000 lighting control system with a built-in computer. The club earned money by selling jewelry, buttons, sponsoring a dance, and organizing a car bash.

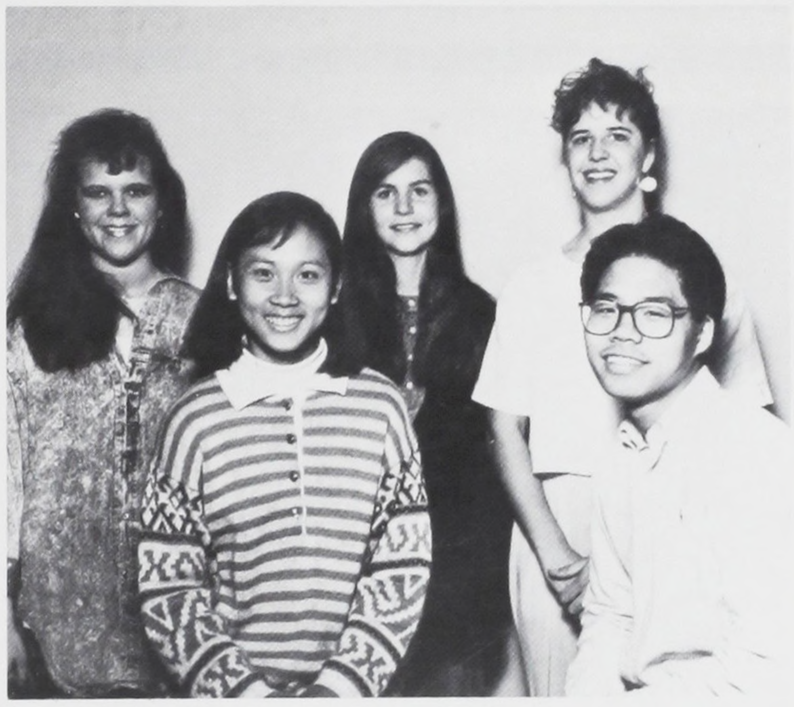
In April students from all over Oregon participated in the shop related Skill Olympics. Benson VICA members earned eleven gold medals.

HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) students demonstrated skills and helped the community. Members participated in mistletoe sales, carnation sales, a leadership conference, and a competitive spring conference.

The conferences drew students from all over Oregon. At the spring conference, students elected state officers and competed. Benson received more medals than any other school. Both Rachel Niemann (12) and Jennifer White (10) won two gold medals each.

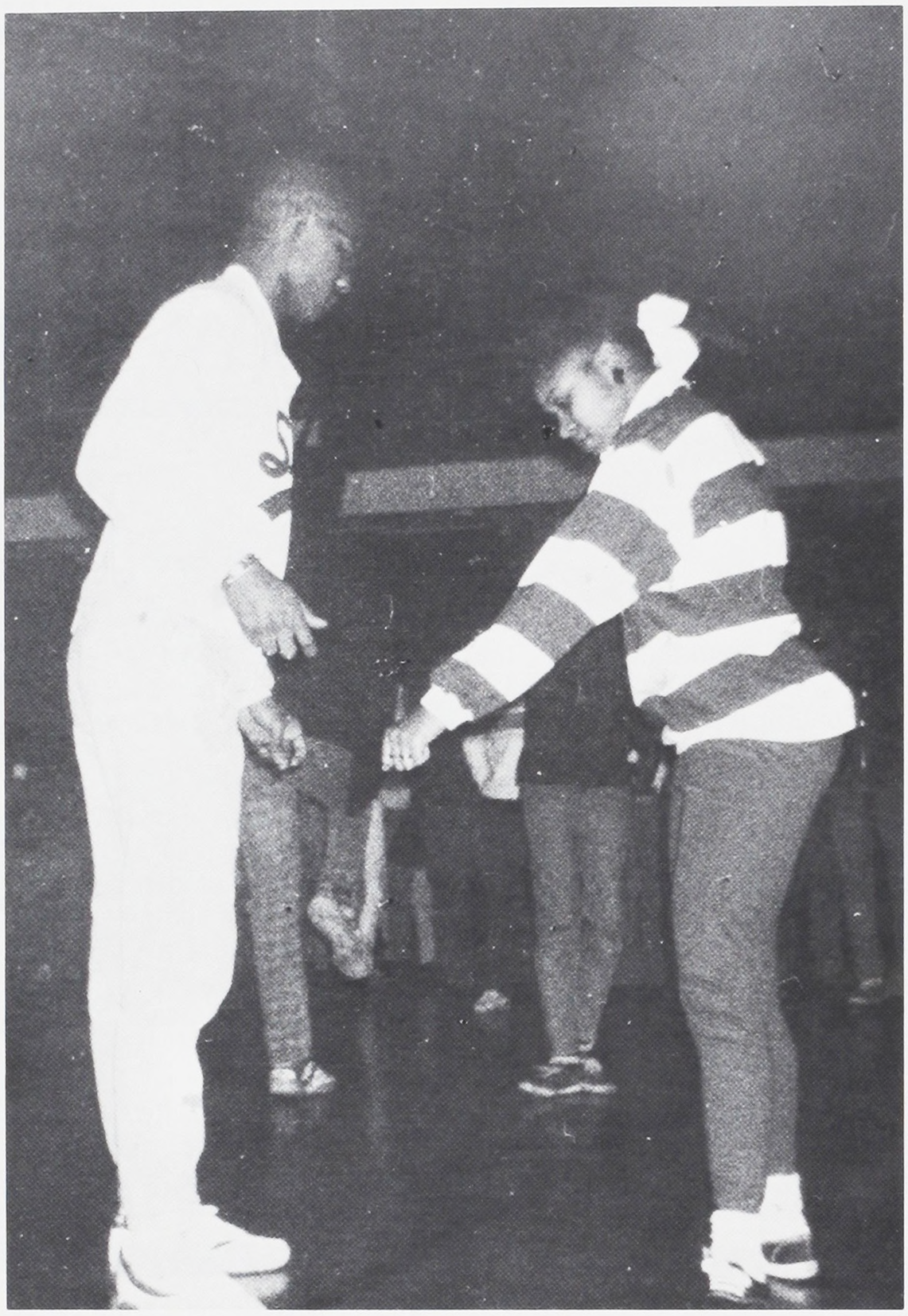
Benson's HOSA chapter played a major role at the state level because all state officers were Benson students.

HOSA CLUB MEMBERS, FRONT: Brittany Greenspon (11), Helen Hoang (11), Peter Primiano (12). SECOND: Dennis Grasser (10), Tung Nguyen (11), Jacquee Phan (10), Anh Pham (11). THIRD: Tye Trepanier (12), Carolee Myrick (12), Ian Moxley (9), Kenneth Bee (10) Jeanette Van (12). FOURTH: Leslie Gorans (10), Alisa Benjamin (10), Thelma Haile (11). FIFTH: Caren Beaton (10), Anne Chan (10), Sondra Ripley (10), Jennifer Halvorson (10), Renee Lofgren (12), Jennifer White (10), D. D. Dalpiaz (12). SIXTH: Thuy Nguyen (12), Tammy Danel (12), Jennifer Winklebeck (12). TOP: Robert Langford (10), Aaron Thompson (10), and Ernie Peterson (9).



HOSA STATE OFFICERS, FRONT: David Chu (12), Connie Tran (12). BACK: Lisa Mundt (12), Jennifer Hathaway (10), and Holly Milne (11).

Sonja Wilson (12) and Keith Reed (11) move to a funky beat at the IUC dance.



Mike Baxter (11) stands back to appreciate his direct hit while pie slides down Vice Principal Fred Jackson's face.

Key Club members prepare to deliver donated canned foods. FRONT: Katie Hawes (12), Angela Henderson (12), and Connie Tran (12). MIDDLE: Tricia Hartel (12), Kinh Lai (11), Helen Hoang (11), Connie Lee (11), and Stefanie Lawson (12). BACK: Steve Alfono (11), Robert Hoang (10), Matt Hsu (11), Steve Hatrup (12), Advisor Fred Jackson, Kelly Mitts (11), helper, Jerome Mitchell (12), Ericka Warren (12), and David Chu (12).

CLUBS COMMITTED TO HELP

Benson has several clubs which contribute to the school and community. The Key Club had a holiday food drive to help needy families. This year 1000 pounds were collected. "Everyone needs something sometime," said Vice Principal Fred Jackson, "so we have an obligation to help."

IUC (Interscholastic Unity Council) focused on the integration of students of different races. Although IUC did not present a fasion show this year as they usually do, many of the club's members participated in the Cora Smith Show. IUC President April Toney (12) felt the club sponsored dance was the most successful activity of the year.

OSSOM (Oregon Students Safety on the Move) is the Benson Chapter of a state and national organization. The club took part in the Great American Smokeout in order to encourage students who smoke to quit.

Club members also participated in a pilot education project. Benson OSSOM students taught elementary students lessons in self esteem; middle school students, decision making; and high school students, alcohol and other drug information.

Jerome Mitchell (12) President of the National Student Safety Program, presents Governor Neil Goldschmidt with an OSSOM T-shirt.

IUC CLUB, FRONT: Kay Brown (10), Sonja Wilson (12), and Toi Bailey (12). SECOND: Tim Jones (12), Adrena Christmas (12), Sheila Williams (12), and Monae Carter (12). THIRD: Shannon Lowe (11), Ishaq Shamsud-din (11), Adrian Fields (11), and Kelly Coleman (11). FOURTH: Jesse Porter (11), Nickelette Wilson (12), Tishiema Wilson (11), and Sheila Randall (11). FIFTH: Andrea Hall (11), Tracye Adams (11), and Ramay Lewis (10). SIXTH: Dana Crawford (10), Angelle Olds (12), and Gail Schatz (12). SEVENTH: Alisa Benjamin (10), Jackie Strong (10), April Toney (12), and Yolanda Blume (12). BACK: Emile Bryant (12).

Advisor Karen Brugger and OSSOM secretary Benny Hawkins (12) discuss the agenda for the next meeting.

A GREAT CHALLENGE MEETING

Clubs help students to develop and demonstrate their skills. To enrich their education, TAG (Talented and Gifted) participants took special classes and attended special conferences and events. "TAG offers so many opportunities," said Chau Phan (11). "I particularly enjoy the Japanese Culture class I take on Wednesday evening."

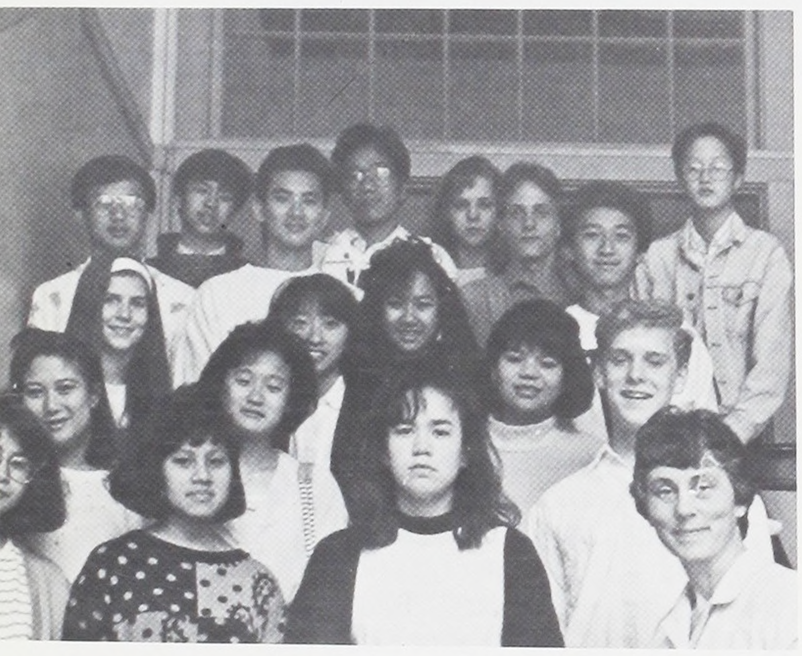
National Honor Society members helped the school and community by visiting nursing homes and by raising money for scholarships and charity. To raise money, the club sponsored the Halloween Dance and sold spices.

Junior Honor Society members ushered at the senior awards assembly and at graduation. They also hosted guest speaker, Michael McClure, from the Oregon Health Science Center.

MESA was established to encourage students to challenge themselves in the areas of mathematics, engineering and science. These students met regularly for discussions and study labs and occasionally for Saturday workshops at PSU.

Chess — a combination sport and club — drew dedicated participants. Benson's varsity chess team placed fourth in the city. J.V. placed second, losing the title to Grant by one point.

"Chess is usually considered to be a 'brains' game, when in fact anyone who has patience can learn to play," said John Angell (10).



NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY, FRONT: Bichson Pham (10), Mihn Chau Tran (10), Jennifer White (10), and Mrs. Marie Wachlin. SECOND: Tham Nguyen (10), Hoa Duong (10), and Robert Langford (10). THIRD: Jennifer Hathaway (10), Jacquee Phan (10), Kristie Huynh (10), and Tram Vu (10). TOP: Khang Huynh (10), Thanh Ngo (10), John Pham (10), Huy Do (10), MajBritt Johnson (10), Ashley Rutherford (10), Kenneth Bee (10), and Jensen Ling (10).

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, FRONT: Jack Bee (12), Andy Fung (12), Dr. Fred Rodgers, and Ms. Della Schiebold. SECOND: Hong Vu (12), Stefanie Lawson (12), and Jean Pham (11). THIRD: Vuong Tran (11), David Chu (12), Jeanette Van (12), Connie Tran (12), and Katie Hawes (12). FOURTH: Tung Nguyen (11), Carolee Myrick (12), D. D. Dalpiaz (12), and Angela Henderson (12). FIFTH: Dale Kim (12), Yong Kim (9), Anhtuan Huynh (11), Quyen Chu (11), Brian Kurkoski (11), Bryan Kirkpatrick (12), and Dion Dock (11). SIXTH: Son Nguyen (11), Chuong Doan (11), Julianne Trout (12), Connie Lee (12), Quyen Quach (12), and Kelly Mitts (11). SEVENTH: Jodee Varney (12), Brittany Greenspon (11), and Quan Tran (12). EIGHTH: Brian Visser (12), Kinh Lai (11), Steven Adcock (11), Ny Saetern (11), and Julie Baik (12).

ıtional Junior Honor Society member
ındy Trout (10) ushers at graduation.

Bob Hanson (9), playing against Richard Clapp (11) contemplates his next move as the clock ticks. In the background, Brent Lerma (10) plays David Johnson (11) while Mr. Michael Ball sets a timer.

In TAG class, Chau Phan (11) discusses a Japanese Culture project with classmates from Cleveland and Wilson.

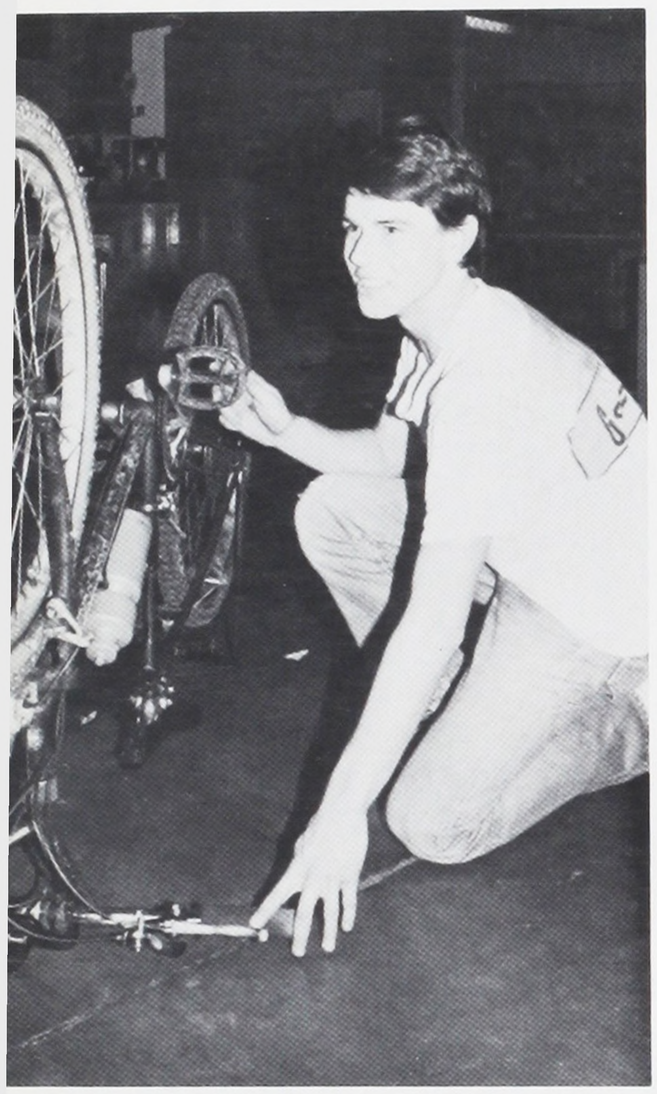
ıESA, FRONT: Advisor Jean Eames, ıhiela Randall (11), Chau Phan (11), and ıaron Ashford 9. BACK: Yolanda Blume (12), Carollee Church (11), Tanisha Wilson (11), Peter Koonce (9), and Ayinde Priestly (9).

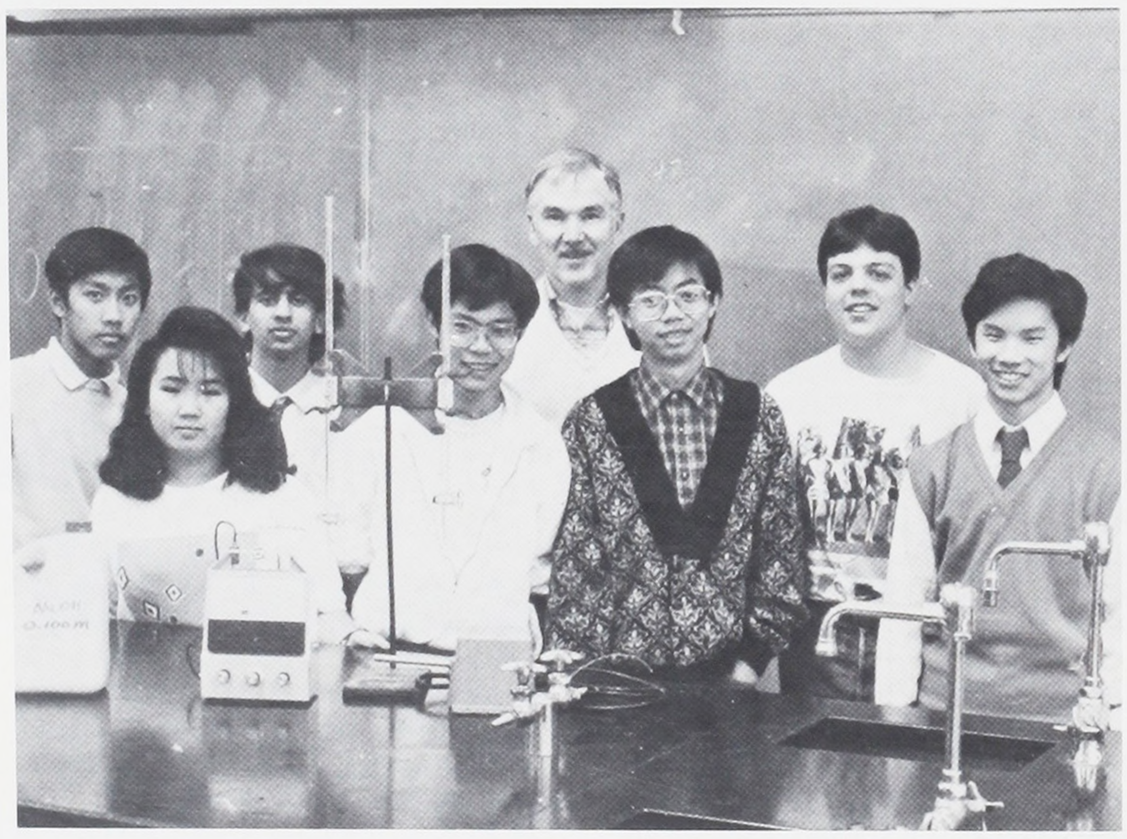
CHESS, FRONT: Chris Berry (10), Joey Fuerstenburg (10), Brent Lerma (10), David Johnson (11), Richard Clapp (11), and Shawn Worthington (11). BACK: Advisor Michael Ball, Charlie Babbage (9), John Angell (10), Troy Holliday (10), Dion Dock (11), Bob Hansen (9), Joel Sheley (10), Norman Lam (11), Mike Schneider (12), and Steven Fung (9).

Students perform at Mr. William Hryciw's going-away party: Gail Schatz (12), Walter Bailey (12), YaVonda Phillips (9), Tige McSwain (12), Monae Carter (12), Keith Dempsey (12), Ericka Warren (12), and Ben Paget (12).

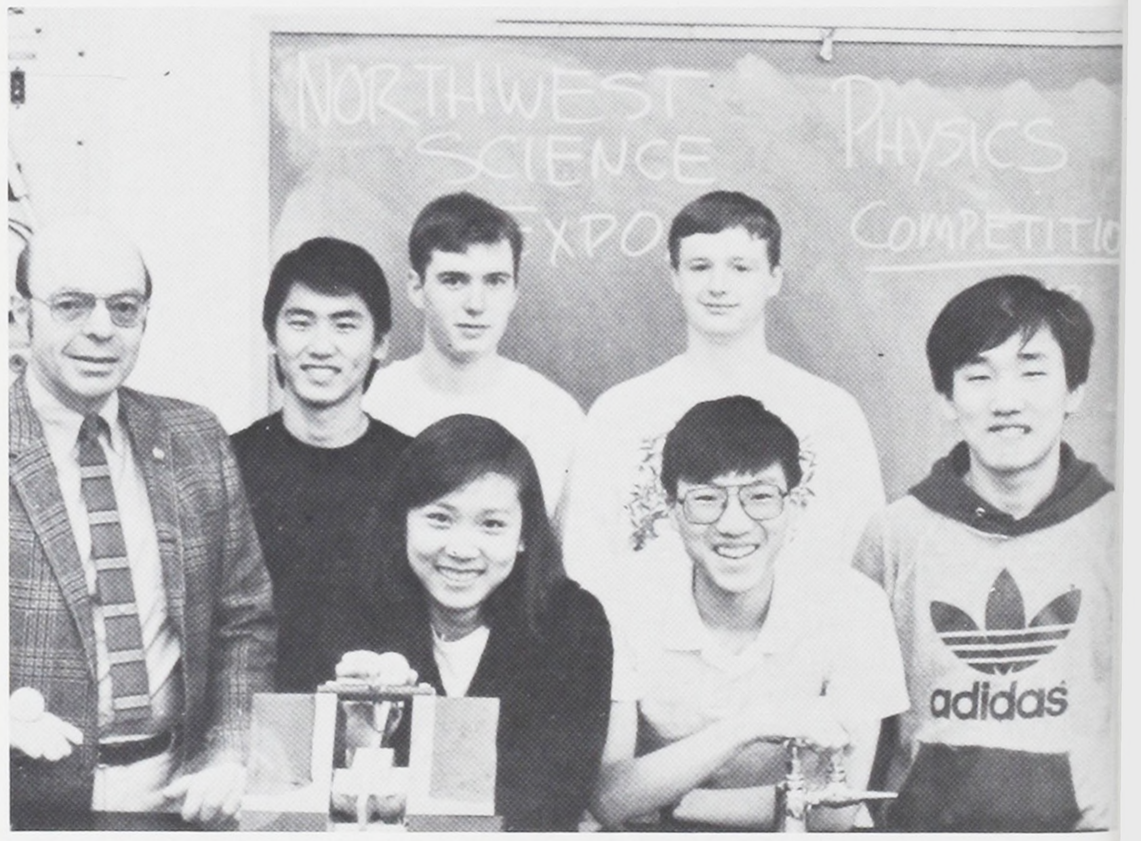
Advisor Doris Fong and Anhtuan Huynh (11), OCE President, discuss the design of the dragon T-shirt.

T. K. Farris (10) tunes his bike in the Bike Club's tuning workshop.





CHEMISTRY GROUP: Son Nguyen (11), Ny Saetern (11), Khalid Shafi (11), Hung Duong (11), Mr. Robert Rodgers, Tung Ly (11), Richard Clapp (11), and Chia Vang (10).



PHYSICS GROUP, FRONT: Connie Tran (12), Andy Fung (12), and Yong Kim (12). BACK: Mr. John Harlan, James Pak (12), James Wolford (12), and Kurt Smith (12).

VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF SCHOOL

A variety of groups directed their energies to special interests. OCE, (Organization for Cultural Exchange), is formed to preserve Asian culture and share it with the rest of the student body. To celebrate the Year of the Dragon, they purchased dragon T-shirts. They also worked on a booklet of Asian students' writing.

The Bike Club took several weekly rides and also biked to Sauvies Island, Willamette Dam, and Oxbo. To test their speeds, they had time trials, determining how fast they could travel in five miles.

Mrs. Betty Garner formed Benson's first dance team. Because of a late start, the turnout wasn't as large as she had hoped. She plans to hold auditions for incoming freshmen in September.

The dance team performed at the Benson Tech Show and at the retirement party for Mr. William Hryciw.

Crystal Hanson (12), the student choir director, led the group as they sang at churches. The gospel choir also performed in the I.U.C. fashion show, Cora Smith modeling, and a Christmas assembly.

Both a chemistry and a physics team competed in a local science competition and in the National Science Olympiad.

In the local competition the chemistry team placed second. The physics group didn't place, but this was their first year to compete. "The experience the students received, particularly in designing their own projects, will prepare them for next year," said Advisor John Harlan.

CHOIR, FRONT: Crystal Hanson (12), Keena Phillips (10), and Tracy Adams (11). MIDDLE: Shantel Ford (10), Lajena Williams (10), Cynthia Baldwin (10), Kay Brown (10), Alisa Benjaman (10), and Rachael Hall (9). BACK: Jerome Person (10).

OCE, FRONT: Cuong Nguyen (10), Hung Duong (11), Minh Chau Tran (10), and John Pham (10). BACK: Hung Nguyen (11), Vu Nguyen (10), Anhtuan Huynh (11), Vinh Nguyen (10), Huy Do (10), and Ken Lee (11).

EDITIONS

TELL IT LIKE IT IS

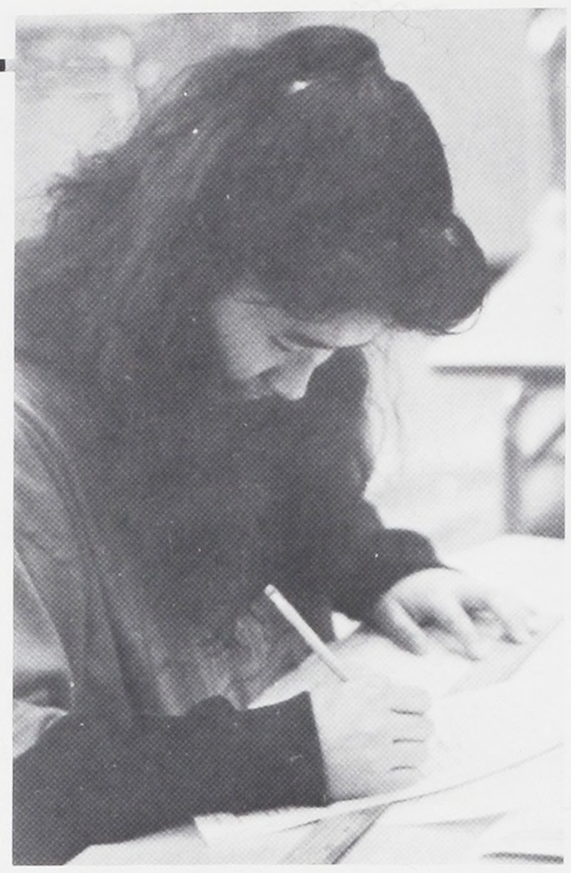
Looking at Benson's student publications — *Tech Pep, Blueprint,* and *Infinity Abridged* — one can see how the new curriculum has seeped into every aspect of the school. The new focus on academics and "real life" is evident in each of them. The *Tech Pep* has run several "in-depth" features, which detail important issues for today's students, including AIDS, homeless youth, drugs, and the Rose Festival. *The Blueprint* shaped its 1988 theme, "Great and Getting Better," around the changes in and around Benson. *Infinity Abridged,* Benson's literary magazine, is a direct result of these changes. This first issue earned high praise from several literary magazine advisors.

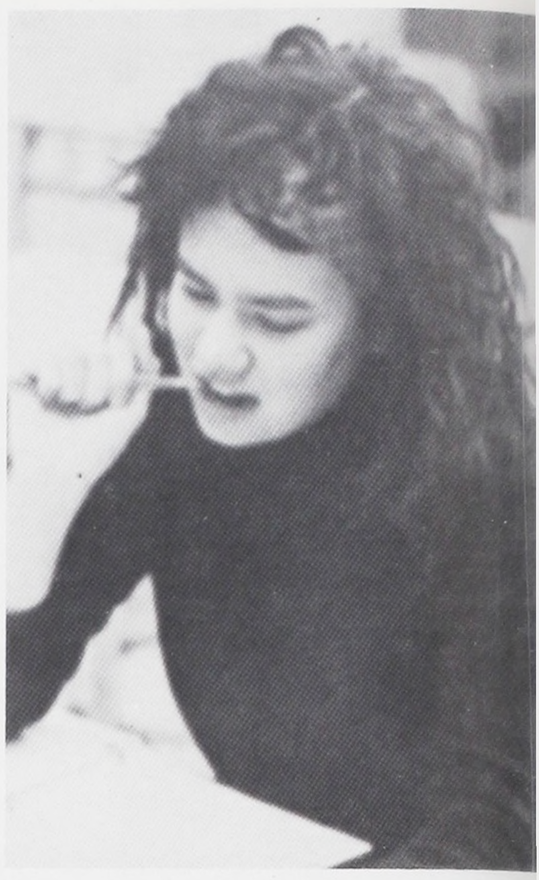
"What we've tried to do," explains *Tech Pep* editor Doug Whitmore (12), "is present a newspaper that gives students an extra bit of insight into life in the world at large." The road hasn't been smooth. Missed deadlines, lost copy, and a staff reduced by 50% at the semester threw much of the production askew. "We were in a mess for awhile, but managed to pull it together and put out a lot of quality material," said staff member Gulley Walker (12).

The Blueprint saw quite a bit of change in 1988. Fred Stocking, the advisor for last year, retired, leaving the book to English teacher Brenda Nelson. "Things were hectic and confusing," Mrs. Nelson says, "but by the third quarter we were rolling along, and things seemed to go smoother."

The theme, "Great and Getting Better," says a lot about what the staff thought of the new program. "We took quite awhile to finally decide on this course for the book," says editor David Porter (12). "We looked around, and realized that no one, including the staff, fully understood the scope of the changes in Benson. What we've tried to do is explain it in a way that everyone will understand."

Infinity Abridged celebrates its second year with a second issue, headed by staff member Gulley Walker, David Porter, and Doug Whitmore. The literary magazine owes its existence to the new "liberal" attitude at Benson. Advisors Brenda Nelson and Fred Rodgers hope to continue the magazine's publication next year, after Walker and Porter, the chief technicians for the book, have graduated.





Jennifer White (10) tries to decipher a fellow *Blueprint* staff member's handwriting.

Angela Pak (10) measures and fills out a photo request sheet for the yearbook.

Blueprint staffer Chris Lawrence (12) figures photo proportions for the footba pages.

BLUEPRINT STAFF, BACK: Reeth Jackson (12), Chris Gaslin (12), Suzanne Walls (11), Mary Kwapich (10), Brenda Nelson (advisor), and Jason Leek (10). MIDDLE: Chris Lawrence (12), Ed Parks (10), Jennifer White (10). Kevin Hill (11), and David Porter (12). FRONT: Cynthia Baldwin (10), Jennifer Halverson (10), and Angela Pak (10). NOT PICTURED: Summer Sahm (10), Aliya Shamsud-din (10), and Michele Klein (12).

INFINITY ABRIDGED STAFF, BACK: Brenda Nelson (advisor), Jodee Varney (12), Gulley Walker (12), Andrea Grant (10), David Porter (12), Paul Kucera (12), and Fred Rodgers (advisor).

Tech Pep Staff Members Molley Gillis (12), Susan Ober (12), and Sheila Moe (12) plan the next issue.

Andrea Grant (10) and Paul Kucera (12) go over Andrea's latest poem.

Shiela Moe and Mark Duplessie discuss story ideas.

Andrea Grant, Micol Hutchison, Jensen Ling, and Doug Whitmore discuss a final submission for the literary magazine.

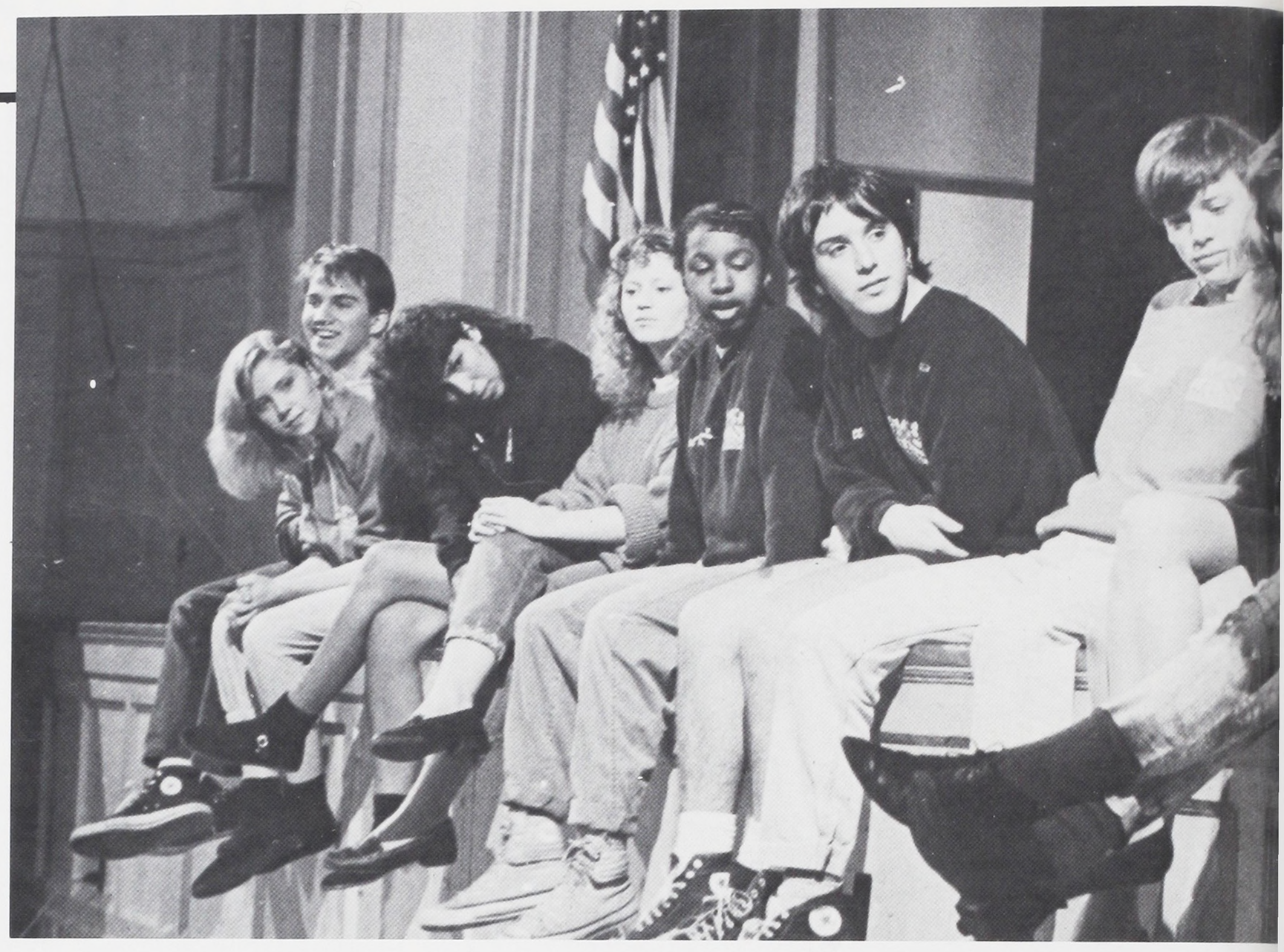
FRONT: Connie Mar (10), Majbritt Johnson (10), Micol Hutchison (10), Eric Hanson (10), Doug Whitmore (12), and Jensen Ling (10).

TECH PEP STAFF, BACK: Richard Baldwin (11), Doug Whitmore (12), Gulley Walker (12), Rachel Stephens (11), Molly Gillis (12), and Dwight Berning (advisor). MIDDLE: Brian Gall (11), Peter Pham (12), Ishaq Shamshud-din (11), and Jerome Mitchell (12). FRONT: Jubal Nance (12), Susan Ober (12), Sheila Moe (12), and Brian Kurkoski (11). NOT PICTURED: Jennifer Ford (10), Mark Duplessie (12), Mike Friolo (10), and Julie Baik (12).

ROWDY OR SPIRITED?

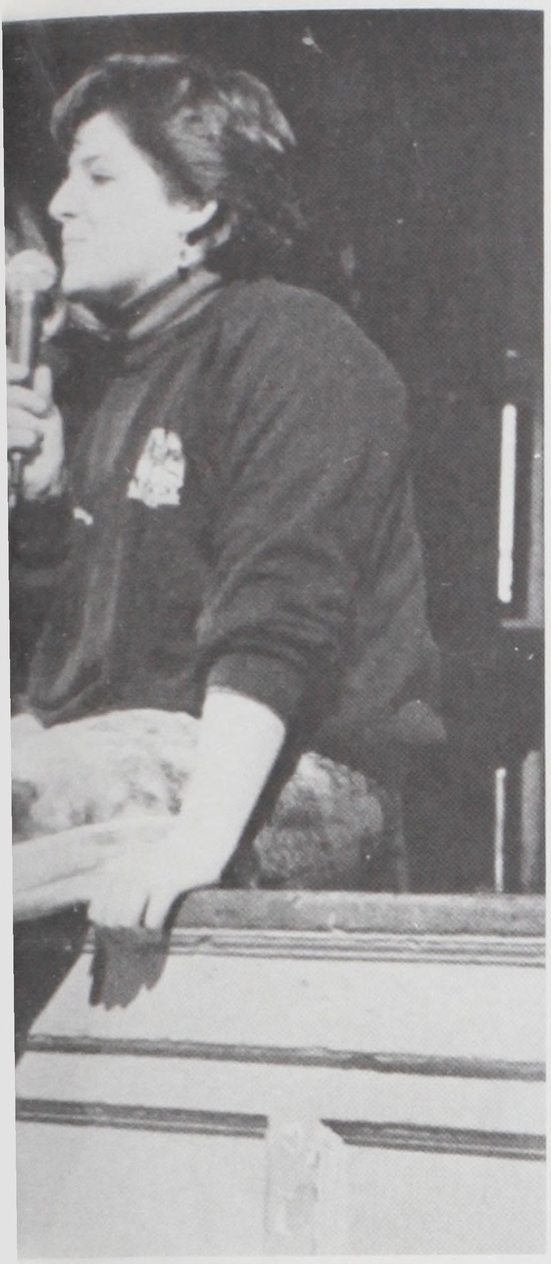
"What was interpreted by some as class spirit was interpreted by others as rowdy behavior. As a result of the second interpretation, the number of pep assemblies were greatly reduced — in fact pep assemblies became obsolete. An occasional, more formal sports assembly recognized the teams. "The lack of assemblies could really affect overall interest in sports," said Rustina Owenby (12). "It could affect the number of kids going out for sports."

Two major teen-help assemblies performed for the entire student body, one in the fall and the other in early spring. Both fast-paced, professional quality assemblies, I Am the Brother of Dragons and Teen and Company covered topics of concern to teenagers, ranging from AIDS to self confidence.



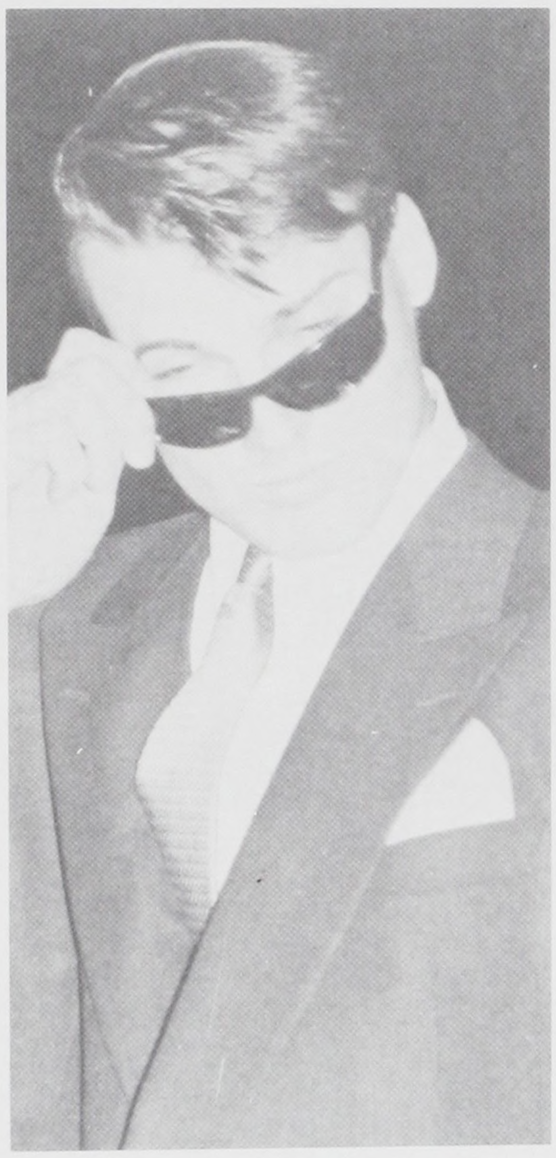
At a rare pep assembly appearence, the Benson High School rally is preparing for its performance. The squad consisted of (right to left) Tasha Moore (11), O'Shanna Gillis (12), Cindy Houck (11), Leilauni McGinnis (11), Holly Milne (11), Twila Cain (11), Shantel Ford (10), Angela Pak (10), Catrina Remster (10), Jennifer Halvorson (10), Chezarae Tanner (10), Lajena Williams (10), Laurie Whitmore (10), Annie Chan (10), and Kay Brown (10).

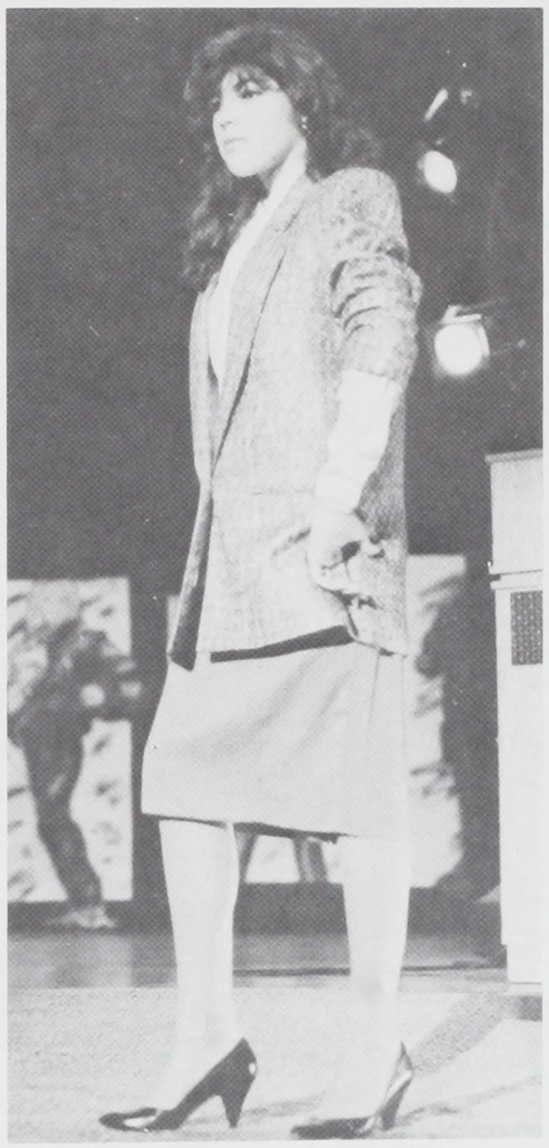
I Am The Brother of Dragons — A professional theater group from Seattle, performed at Benson this fall. Their skits dealt with effects of stress within the family.



Teens and Company — nine Oregon high school students produced and performed a series of skits which dramatized drug use, teenage pregnancy, social disease, and other problems which face today's youth. Their reinactments helped the student body relate to these issues.

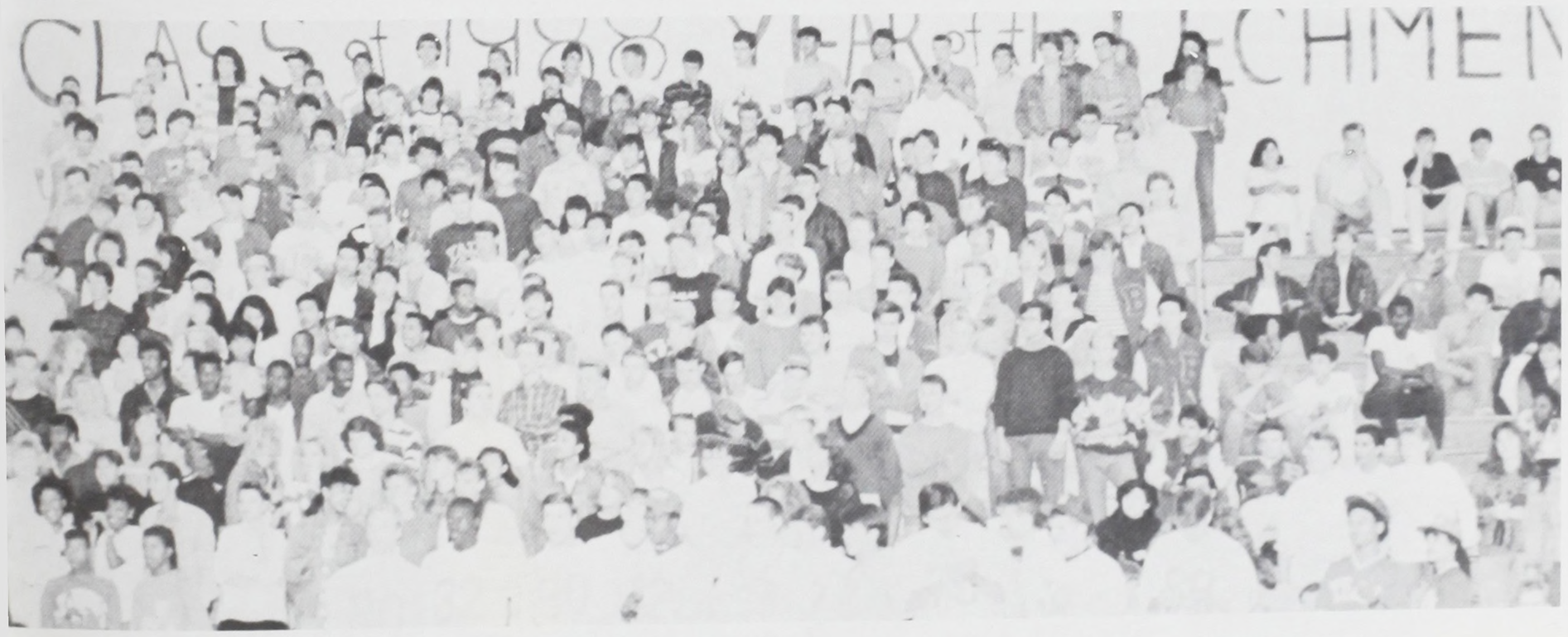
Show stopper — The Benson Gospel Choir entertained the audience during the fall Cora Smith modeling show.





Members of the Cora Smith Modeling Group, Tam Thi (12), Tom Schell (12), and Inez Ruiz (10) showed the latest in fall fashions.

Benson's seniors show their enthusiasm during a fall pep assembly.

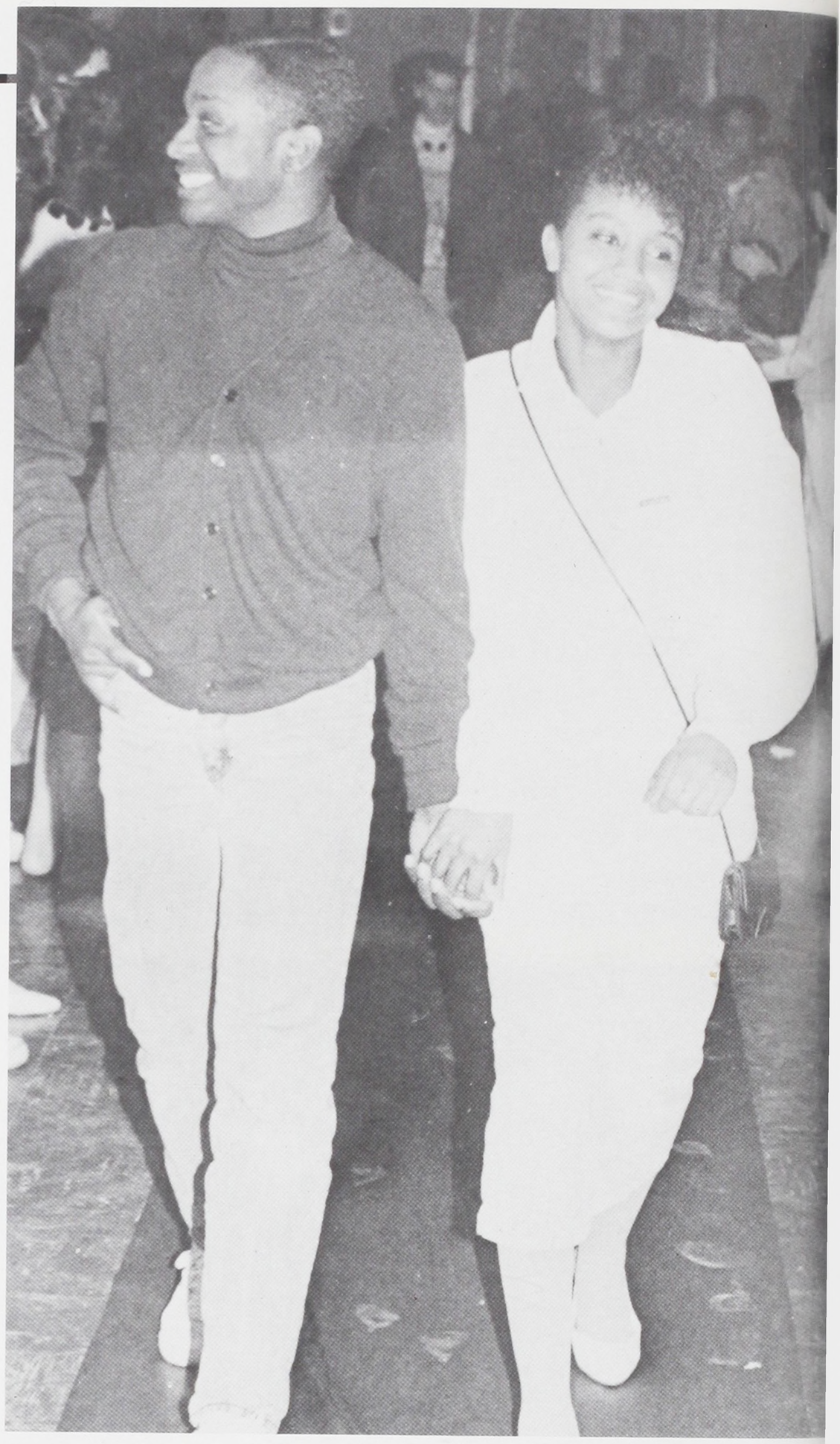


LET'S GET

ON WITH THE DANCE

Dances became more popular — both as money making events and as student activities. Not a month went by without at least one Benson sponsored dance. For Benson, once a school which held only one dance a year, this was quite a change. "Like the increased number of students involved in activities in general, the increase in the number and variety of dances indicates a growing school spirit," said Aliya Shamsud-Din (10).

The dances ranged from the formal Proms to rather informal events. But no matter how informal in dress, the dances conformed to a quest and behavior code which became more defined as the year progressed.



Waleed Sadruddin (10) happily escorts his partner down the path.

Mr. Robert Stuart enjoys dancing as much as the students do.

Lisa Lynch (9), Andrea Lindberg (12), Holly Milne (11) and Camille Mayfield (10) pose just after they were chosen for the Valentine's court.

"How low can you go?" Alex Ichinoe (11) seeks an answer to that question.

Lisa Lynch (9) and Erik Surbrook (12) caught in a slow dance.

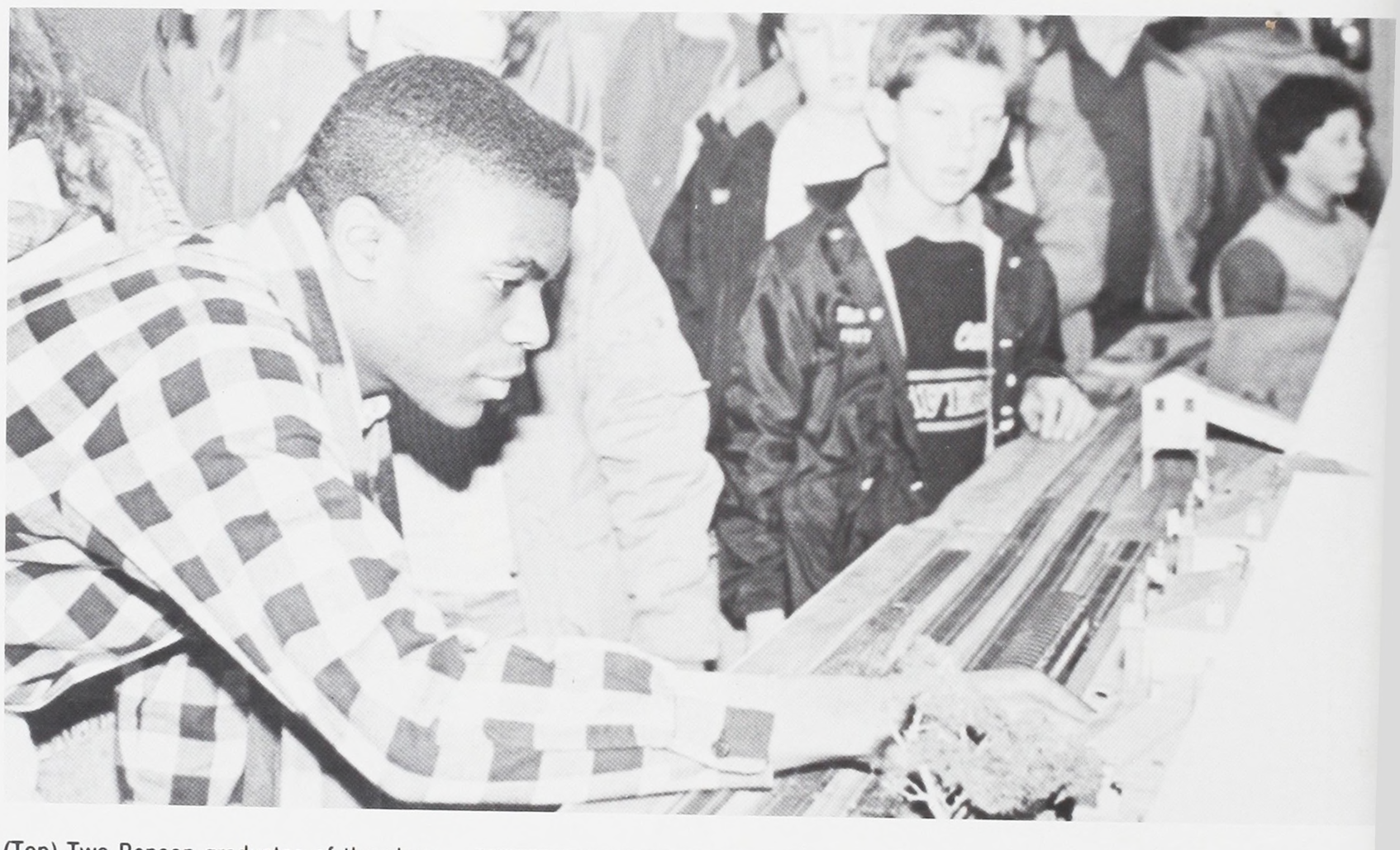
Quinn Chu (11) moves to the music.

REACHING

THE HEIGHTS

"Reaching for the Heights," the theme for the 1988 Tech Show referred to education, but it applied as well to the show's attendance. Attendance was up about 1,000 over last year's. This meant more than increased ticket sales and more than a larger number of people enjoying the show. It meant an increase in student applications for Benson.

"Better than fifty percent of Freshmen applying for the 1988-1989 school year indicated that the reason they applied was their attendance at the Tech Show," said Vice-Principal Dave Williams, in charge of the Tech Show. Mr. Williams attributed the increased attendance to the great publicity.

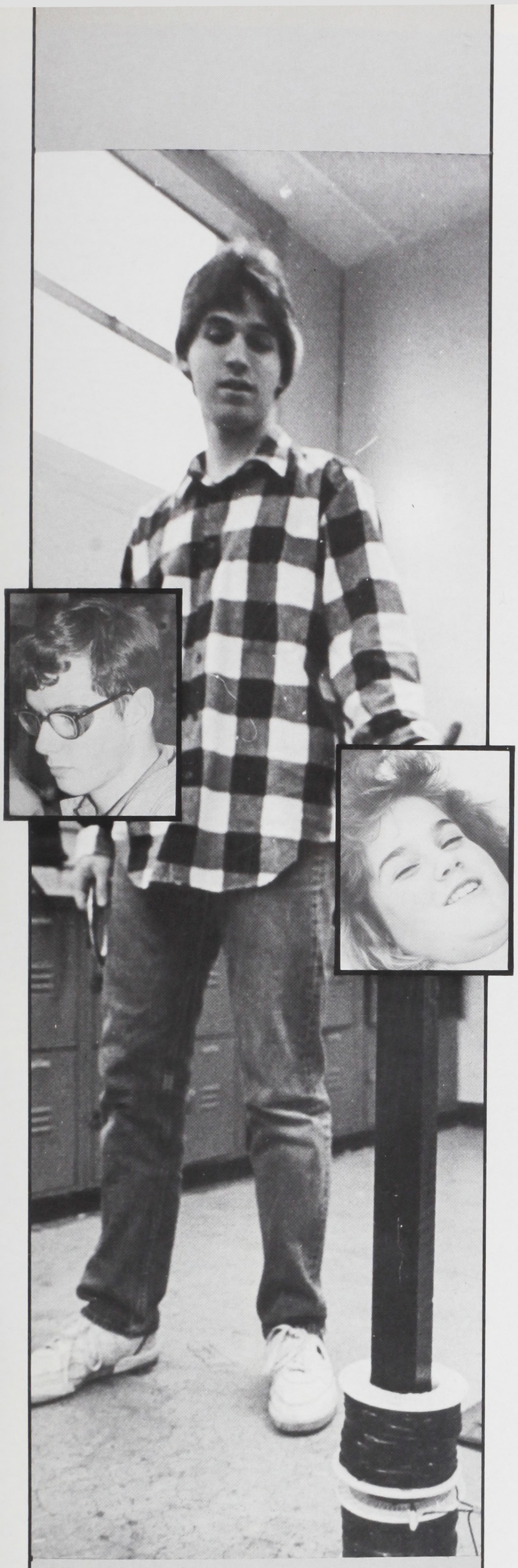


A Benson parent helps out at the concession stand.

(Top) Two Benson graduates of the class of 2000 inspect a display at the Tech Show.

(Above) Sean Strong (11) demonstrates the model railroad he set up at the show as part of his activities in the Columbia Gorge Lines Club.

(Right) Peter Koonce (9) and his father try out a computer.



SHOPS

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

MANY GROWING PROGRAMS STREAMLINE GROUPINGS

"Streamlining" is the word. This streamlining of Benson's program was most noticed in the vocational program — the shops. Where once there was a random scattering of shops in no specific groups, in 1987-88 a cluster of unified groups began to form.

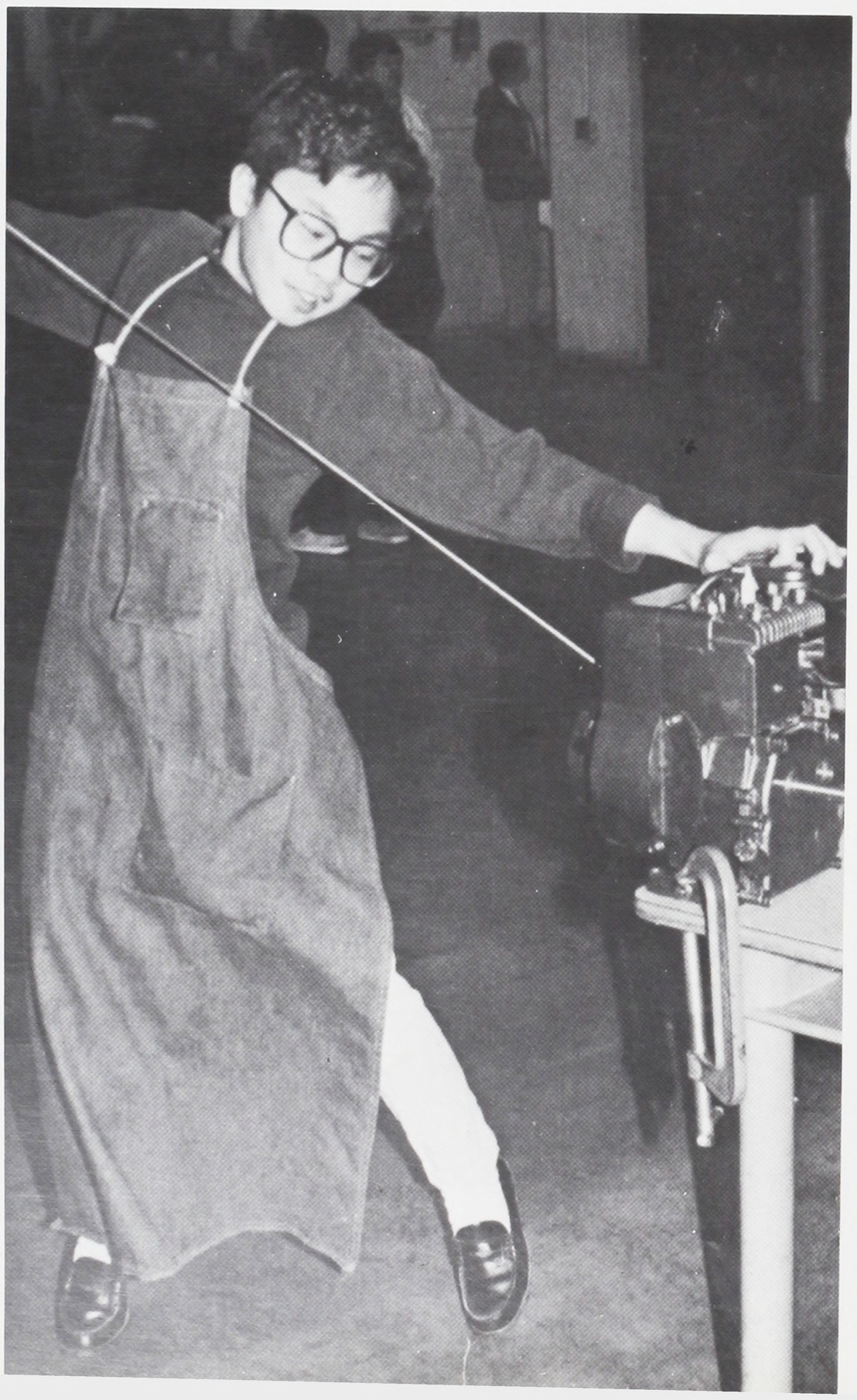
"The new shop program attempts — and succeeds, I hope — to bring all the various programs into a few specific groups, of fields of study," explained Mr. David Williams, Vice-Principal and one of the designers of the new program.

Programs were stretched, scaled-down, revamped, and fine tuned. Eventually all the shops will fit into four major areas: Communications, Manufacturing, Electronics, and Transportation. The change was still in process at year's end and will be for a few years to come.

"I think the changes are great," said Automotive major Jamie Eisal (12). "I like the idea of a broader transportation major because more students will have wider variety of fields to learn from."

Nor have the changes gone unnoticed in the educational community. "I'm very impressed with the organizations and dedication involved," commented Michael Schwin, education expert. "It's a very sound system which blends the vocational and academic aspects of Benson beautifully."

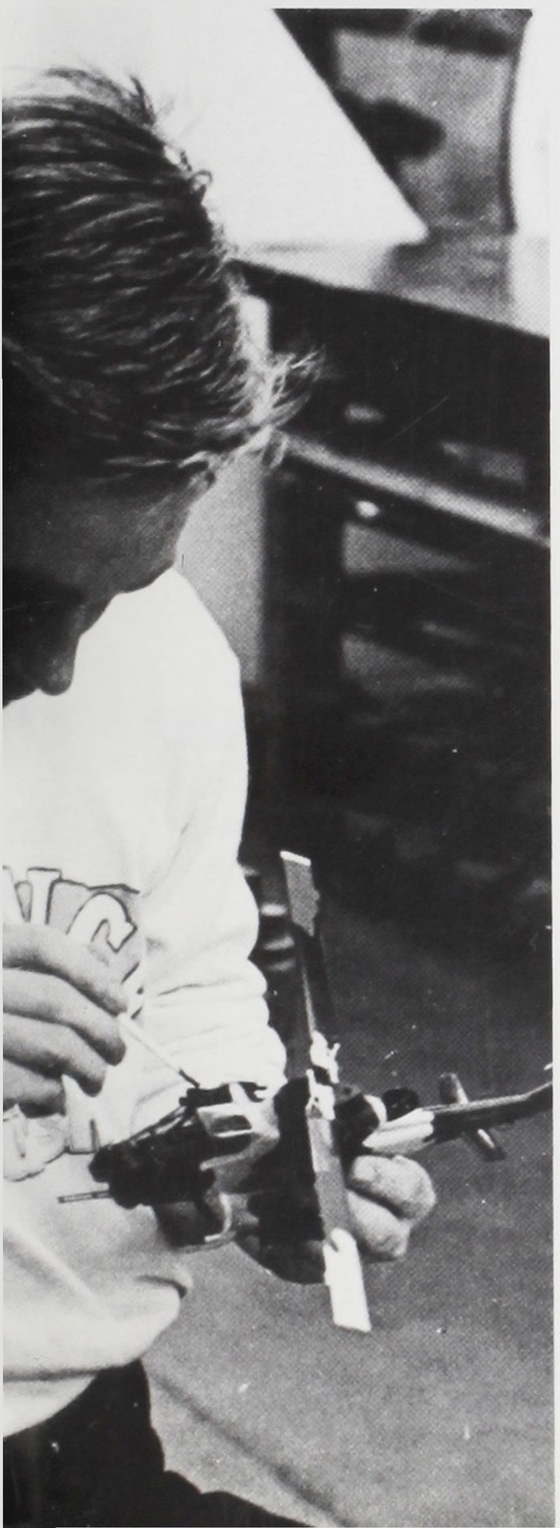
Matt Serena (10) puts the finishing touches on his Cobra Gunship.



In Freshman Transportation, Tu Phan (9) starts a motor.

Dale White (9) knurls the handle of a hammer.

Brian Kincaid (12) reaches for a scale to dimension his engineering drawing.



In Sophomore Building Construction, Ken Farmer (10) measures his frame.

Susan Ober (12) practices the Heimlich maneuver.

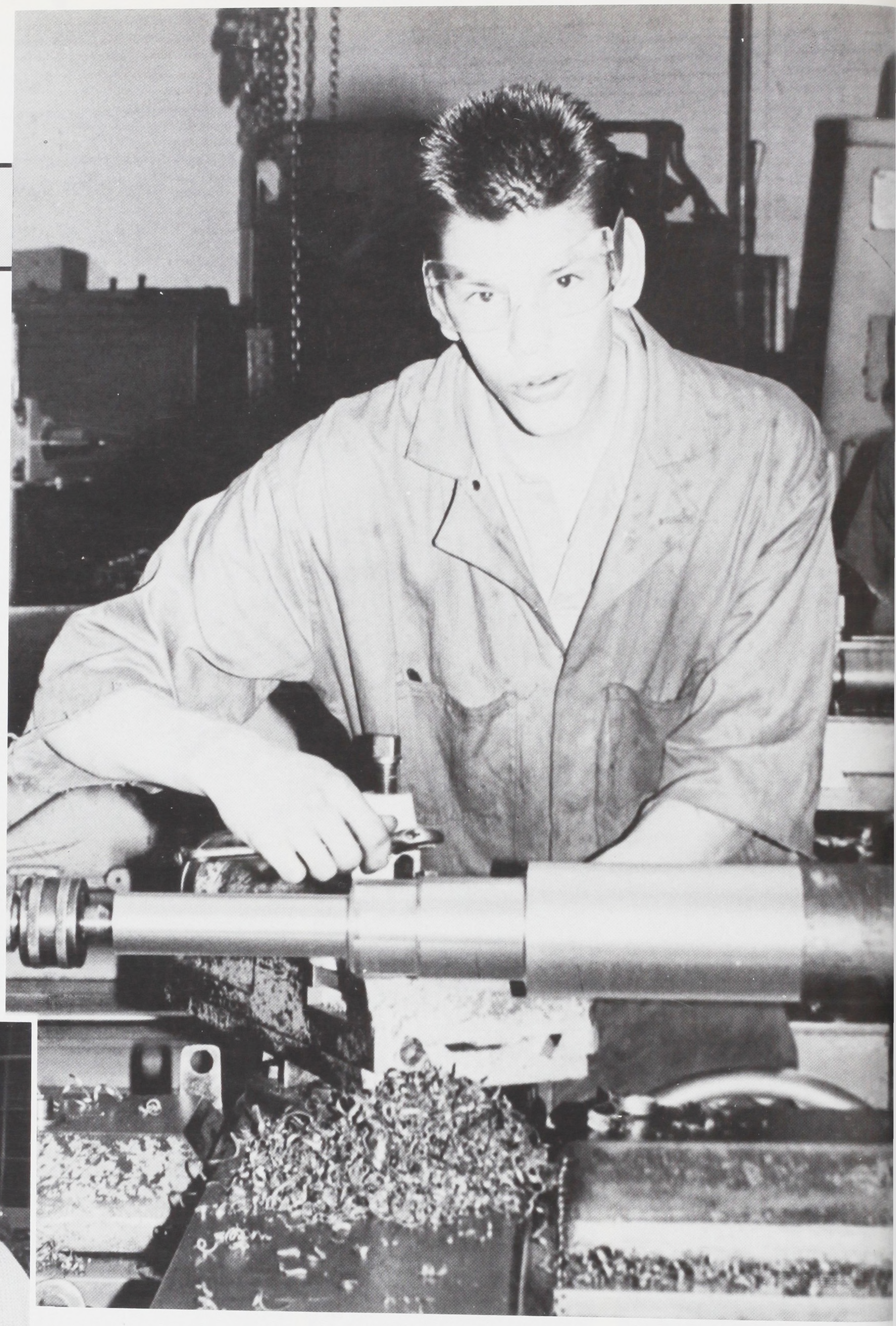
MACHINE

MACHINE CONNECTS WITH DRAFTING

Machine Technology added the IBM PC Computer and the Hewlett-Packard Plotter to their program. The computer was used by both Machine Technology and Drafting students.

Machine Technology also evaluated — some software — Smart — CAM and Master CAM (Computer Assistant Machine) — which allowed students to write blueprint programs for numerical machines. In the near future the Machine Technology hopes to have a program which will communicate with the computer numerically controlled milling machine directly — making the mailing process faster and more accurate.

"Today's mechanist must know basic engineering skills if he is to survive and work successfully, while engineers must know machine skills. This computer should make both Machine Technology students and Engineering Drafting students become well-rounded and better skilled," said James Wolford (12) Machine Technology major.



In the new freshman Manufacturing class, Joseph Moran (9) applies cutting fluid to his metal.

Tim Grant (11) turns a piece of metal on the lathe.

During a test in Metal Fab, Shawna Grayson (12), Trent Winegar (12), and Dean Harris (12), concentrate on laying out a design.

METAL FAB

METAL FAB IS TO BE TAUGHT AT ALL LEVELS

No longer will only upperclassmen perfect skills in Metal Fabrication. Freshmen received an introduction to this major in the new general manufacturing course. Also in the works was a sophomore class in Metal Fab and welding to be offered next year.

"Many seniors are working on repair projects repairing U-Hauls and log splitters for instance," said Shawna Grayson (12). "But I prefer to work with brass and copper, making new items."

Metal Fab majors also worked on more extensive projects like duct works, exhaust systems, and house heating systems.

In his well worn coveralls and new Adidas, Trent Winegar (12) prepares for his Metal Fab work.

PLASTICS

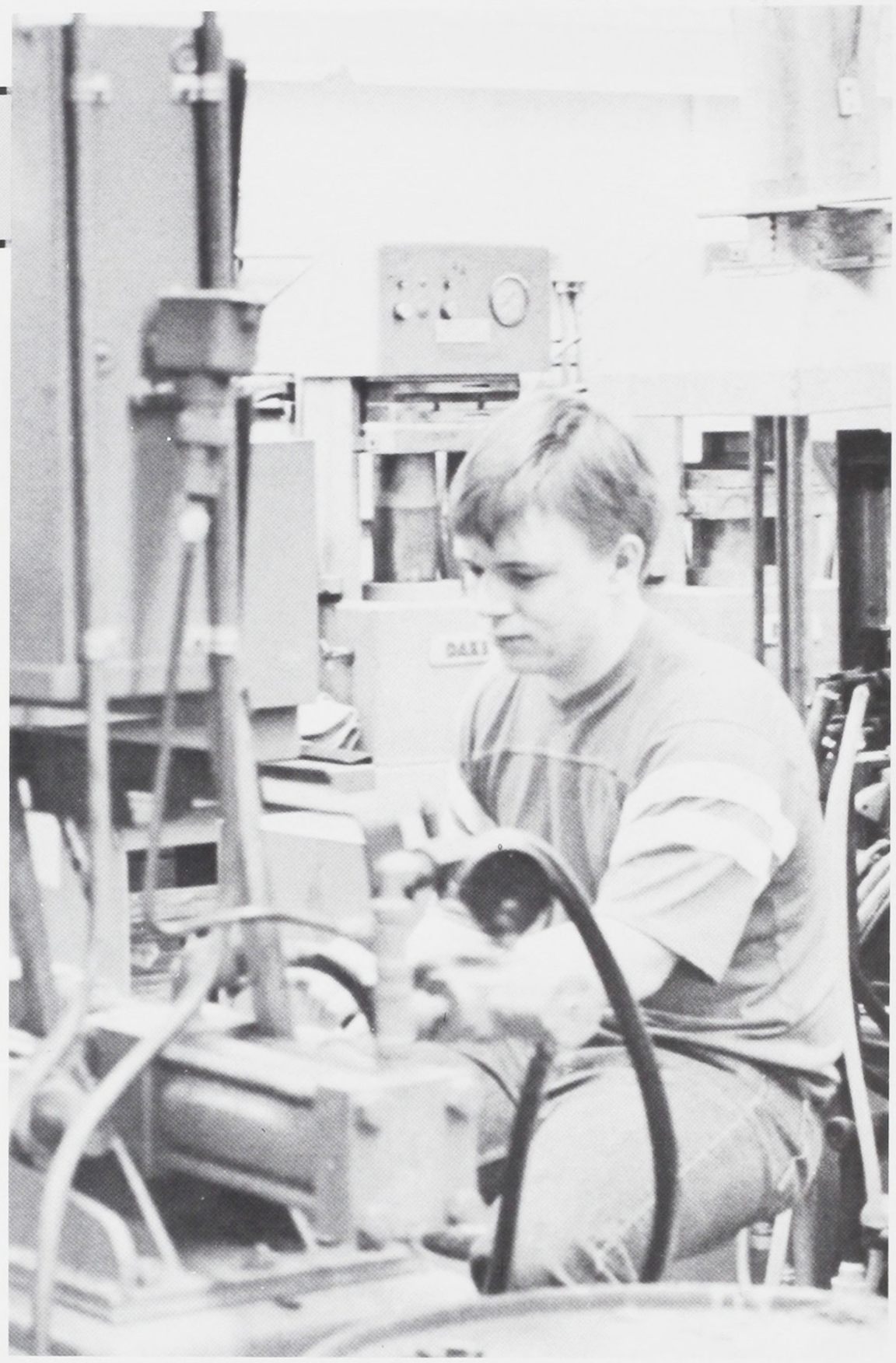
PLASTICS SKILLS APPLY BROADLY

Plastics — which taught sophomores, juniors, and seniors the techniques of fiberglassing, mold making, parts manufacturing, and injection molding — gave students a wild range of practical skills.

"I can use what I've learned to make things for myself," said Plastics major Calvin Smith (12), "and I can find an entry level job, or I can continue my education in community college."

Plastics added more power hand-tools and working materials to their program. "I would have liked to get a new injection molding machine to teach the kids the basics of injection molding," said Mr. Gerald Waterbury, plastics instructor, "but it just wasn't our turn to receive the large funds."

Jeremy Franklin (11) works on the injection molding machine.



In Pattern-Foundry, Ramon Hall (10) rams a mold.

Mark Laney (12) demonstrates work in Plastics at the Tech Show.

PATTERN/FOUNDRY

HILL EXPANDS DATA ON METALS

"Pattern/Foundry is becoming the most universal shop area in Benson," said instructor Robin Hill. Pattern/Foundry meshed with the work of several other shops by expanding knowledge on materials which can be worked — materials which can be used in other shops in every area from Building Construction to Electronics.

The increase in the variety of materials planned for future inclusion in Pattern/Foundry work was based on outside studies completed by Mr. Hill. "Other shops will coordinate with ours in preparing materials for their use," said Mr. Hill.

In particular Mr. Hill expanded information in the areas of superconductors, composites and sintered materials.

Juniors and seniors are pouring brass into a sand mold.

Casey Jones (12) is cleaning a crucible after a pour. Jason Lemke (10) holds the crucible steady.

TRANSPORTATION

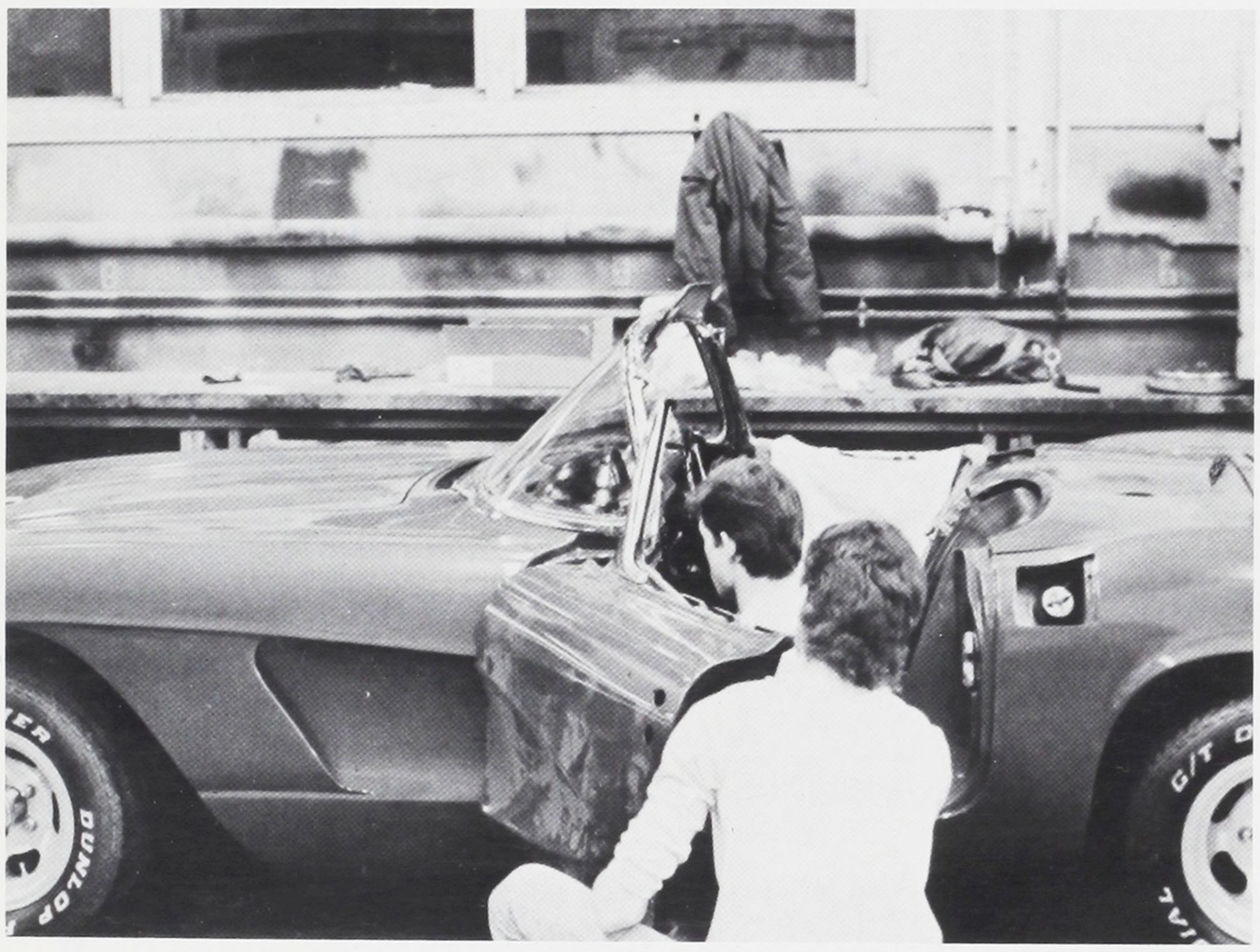
"TRANSPORTATION" MAJOR UNIFIES AUTOMOTIVE STUDY

The Transportation Cluster was well along in the unifying effrot. Auto Mechanics, Auto Machine, Body and Fender, Diesel, Aviation, and Fluid Power fell under this cluster, which examined sea, air, and land transportation.

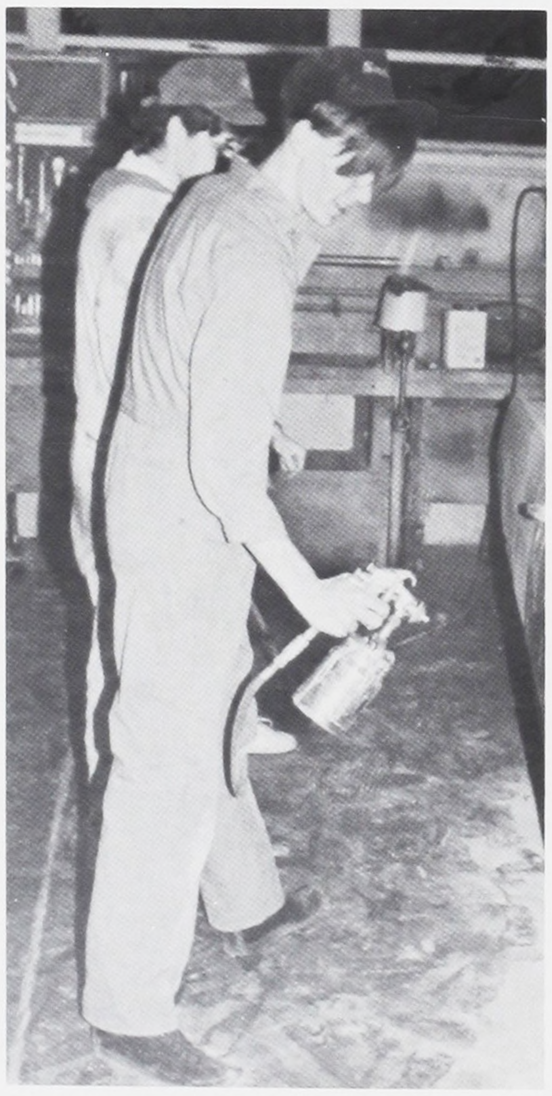
"Transportation began its first 'sampler course,' giving the freshmen a look at what lies ahead if they choose a transportation major," explains Mr. Micheal Atteberry, a senior instructor.

"Our program is designed to give a broad view of all transportation, but with an emphasis on the automotive field, because of obvious accessibility," says Mr. Bruce Higby, senior auto machine instructor.

Individual projects were encouraged in automotive and in some cases required. "We regularly work on faculty cars. That gives us an idea of what the professional world demands," stated Jon Fulk (12). "When jobs come in, whoever is in charge at the time assigns us to them and we get them done."



Jason Smith (11) and Eric Hopper (11) put the door on a '62 Corvette.



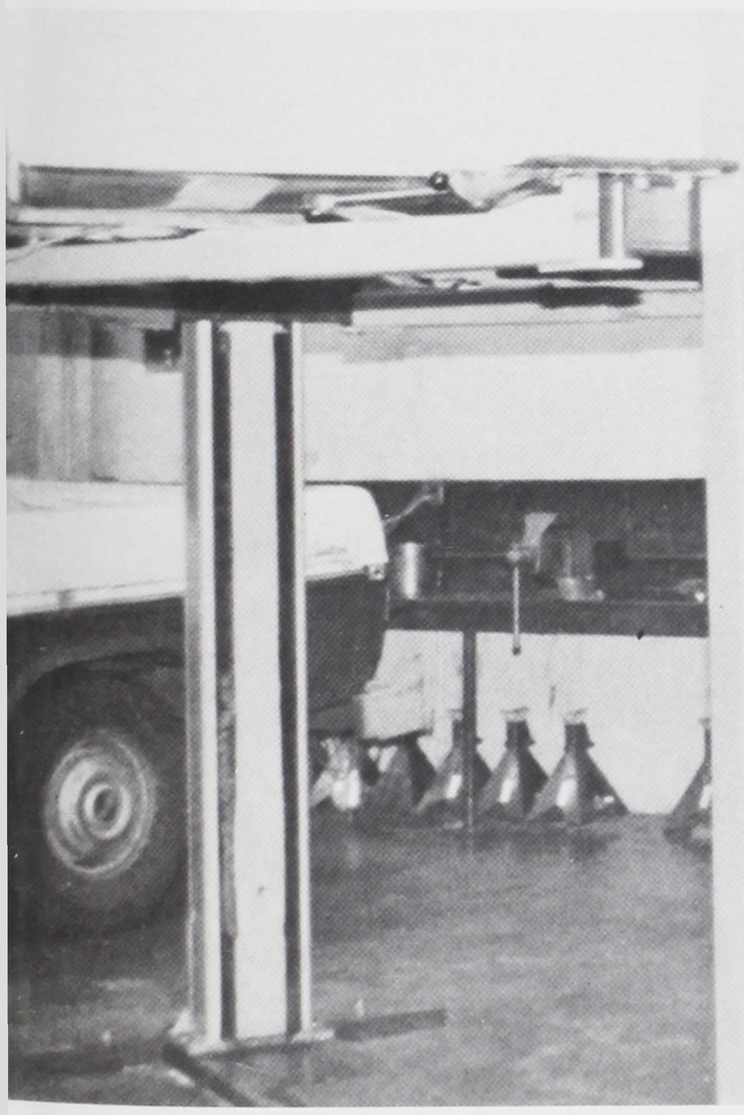
Steve Entler (11) spray paints his car.

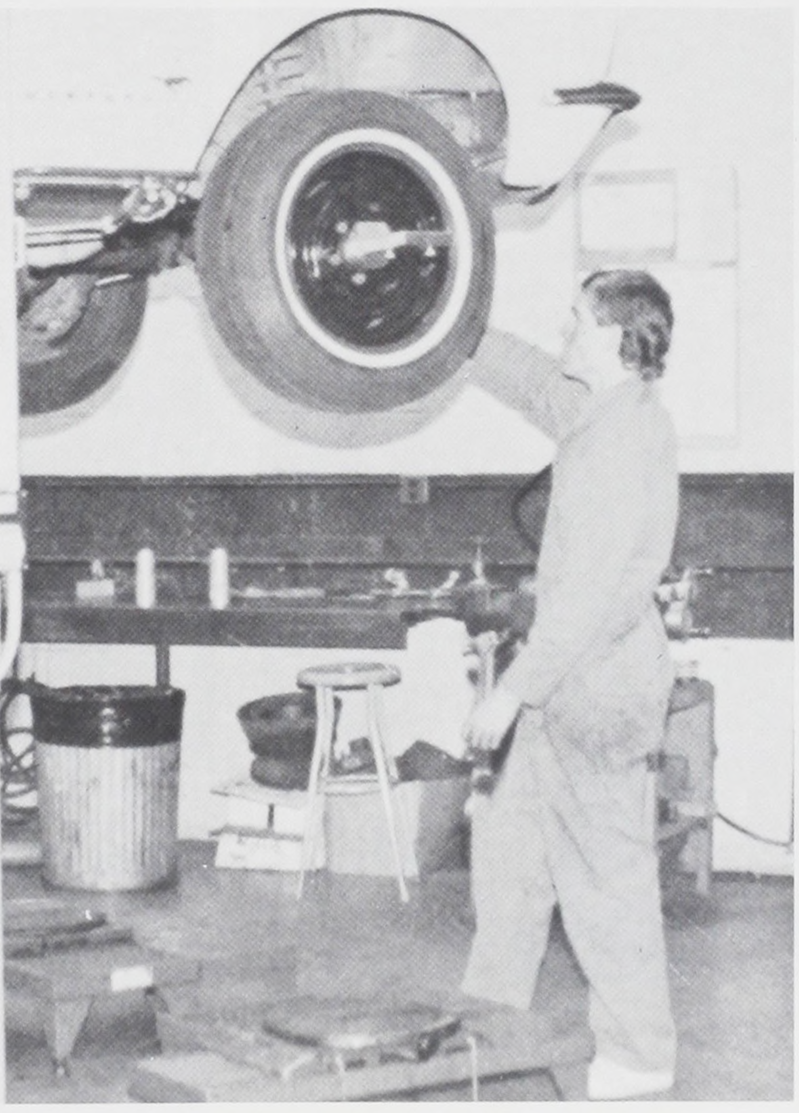
Paul Herigstad (12) works on David Barron's (11) '55 Chevy.

Instructor Michael Atteberry supervises while Ron German (12) works on Mr. William Hryciw's pickup.

Marlene Gogan (12) resizes a rod.

Tim Meisner works on the '67 Mustang he won for selling Tech Show tickets.





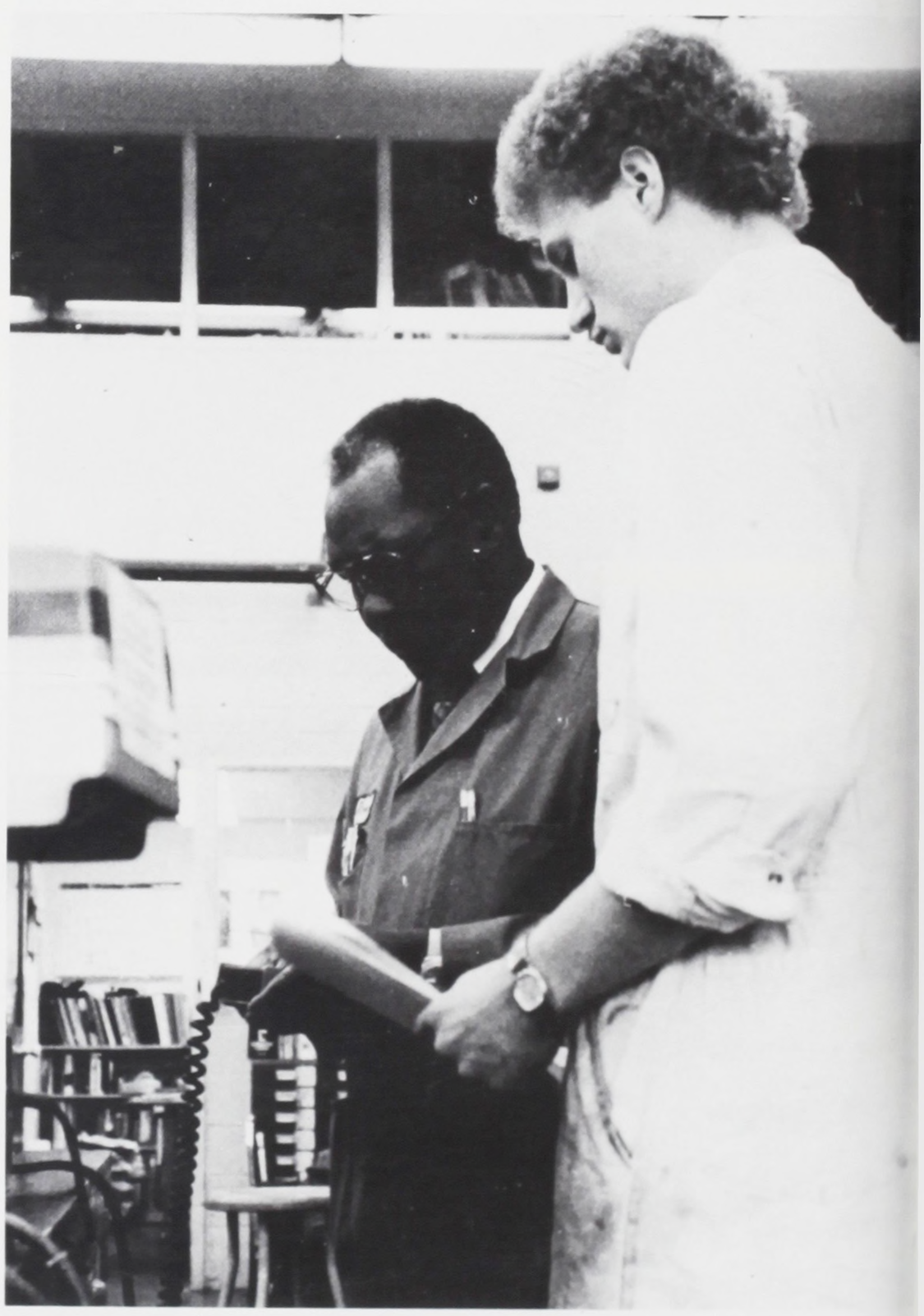
FLUID POWER

ROBOT TEACHES PNEUMATICS

"Motion Mate" — a pneumatically operated robot — trained Fluid Power students in the uses of air. The robot, added to the fluid power program this year, ran on preprogrammed orders through computer messages in a box that was hooked up to the robot's electronic circuitry.

Students in Mr. Thomas Herring's Fluid Power classes observed the robot performing its various tasks, including the moving of materials and the basic "showing-off" of its abilities. "It is entertaining as well as an educational addition to the class," said Chris Lawrence (12).

In order to thread a rod, Richard Chatters (11) installs a die into a holder.



Instructor Tom Herring shows Tony Bunce (12) how to program the robot borrowed from Clackamas Community College.

LEFT: Lowell Bonnin (10) and Jarra Petros (10) set up hydrolic circuits.

Instructor Tom Kingbury discusses precision measuring tools with Paul Nishikawa (12) and Todd Ostendorp (12).

AVIATION

AVIATION CLIPS ITS WINGS

Benson Aviation majors are a dying breed, soon to be extinct. This was the last year a junior major class in Aviation was offered and it is rumored that next year will be the last time a senior major will be offered. But this does in no way mean that aviation will not be a part of the shop programs at Benson. Rather, like the automotive related classes, Aviation will be integrated into the larger Transportation program.

But not all students see this integration as a positive step. "The only reason I decided to come the Benson was because of the Aviation program," said Stephen Songer (12). "I've learned a lot. I hate to see the program cut."

Aviation major Steve Hailey (12) added, "When the major is under transportation, the classes won't be centered on Aviation. Students won't learn all we have."

Dale Frentress (10) and Aaron Corvin (10) work on models, assembling an FB-11 and an A-7.

On the Oregon Air National Guard field trip, Rodney Hicks demonstrates egress equipment — an ejection seat with survival equipment.

BUILDING

BRICK DECORATES HOUSE FRONT

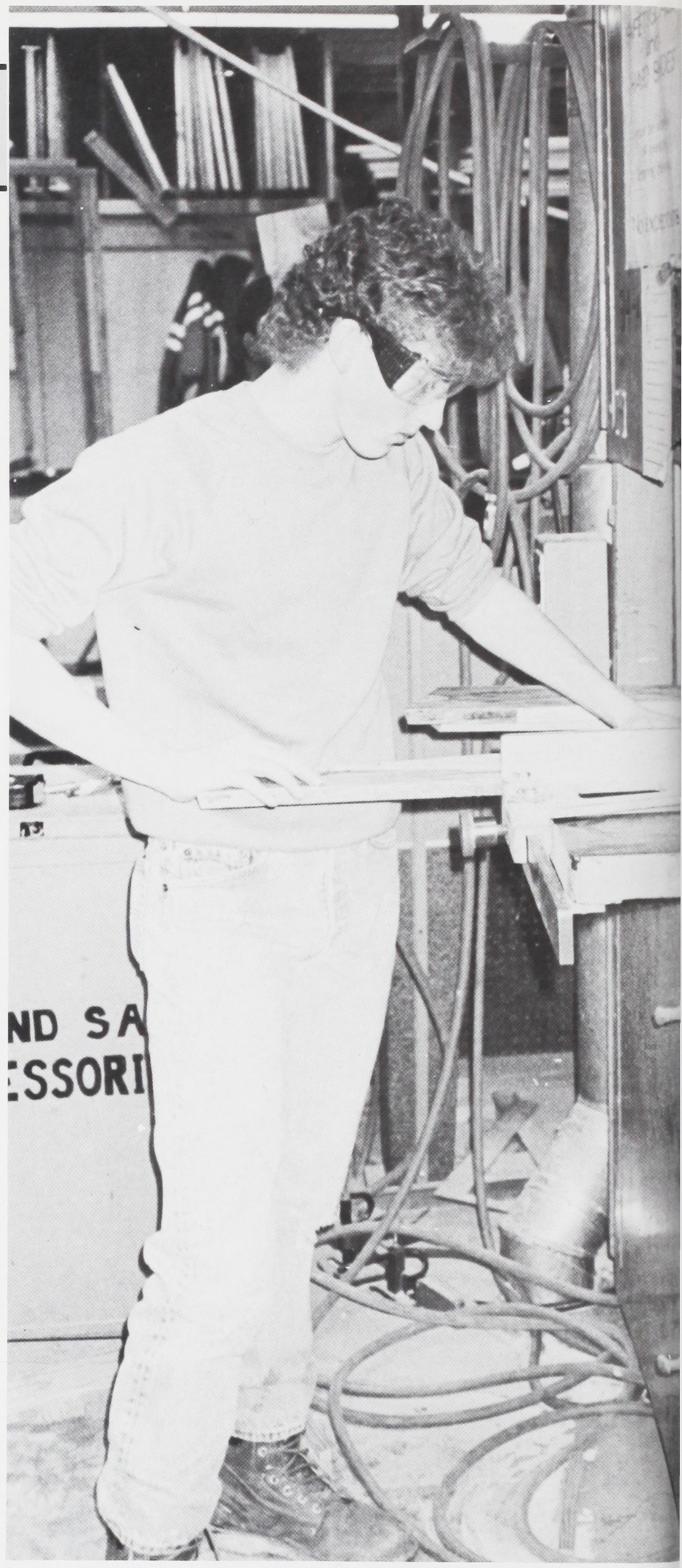
At year-end the house junior and senior building construction majors were building was half complete. Instructors Mr. Ron Currier and Mr. Rick Ramsey directed this traditional project which Portland General Electric financed. It was built to P.G.E. "good cents" standards.

Begun in September, the house had a better looking exterior and a more pleasing roof line than the houses previously built by Benson students. For better appearance, the house and garage had brick fronts. Another advantage was a larger living area: a combined living and dining room with a separate family room. But it was still the traditional home, 1,600 square feet on a 50 feet by 100 foot lot, with three bedrooms, three bathrooms and a double garage.

In addition to the house, the class built two 8 by 12 garden houses.

Mr. Bob Stuart's sophomore class learned the basics of tool and machinery and of wall framing.

Building Construction Majors Hau Nguyen (12) and Tim Martin (12) set the trim on a bracket board.



RIGHT: Jon Ferrell (12) runs a saw-horse leg through the band saw.

Casey McMichael (10), Durron Richard (10), and Chris Berry (10) lay out a wall and begin framing in Mr. Robert Stuart's sophomore Building Construction class.

DRAFTING

IBM'S GENERATE DRAWING POWER

In the age of computers, drafing had new addition to the junior and senior classes — five IBM's and an Apple IIe. Students completed twenty-five percent of their classwork on the computers. Sophomores also used fifteen new MacIntosh Computers. The department plans to buy a computer for every desk.

Seniors also had an opportunity to receive college credit if they earned a "B" grade or better. The credit was awarded by Portland State University through Benson.

Underclass drafting requirements were changed. A half year of drafting was required of all freshmen. Students wishing to continue in drafting will take another half year as sophomores.

TOP: Clifford Alvarado (12) drafts a machine part on the new IBM CAD.

Jack Bee (12) completes his blueprint — a hand-cuff design.

Concentrating intently, O'Shannah Gillis (12) works on her plot plan.

ELECTRIC/ELECTRONICS

SHOPS CONNECT MAJORS

Freshmen received a combined introduction to Electric and Electronics, two shop areas which formerly offered seperate introductory courses. This was the beginning of a more formal relationship between these two shops.

Seniors and Electric had the opportunity to learn about the new Allen-Bradley SLC 100 Programmable Controller. "This up-to-date controller gives us an idea of how business use this computer," said Paul Green (12).

A new IBM computer, added to the junior Electric curriculum, enabled students to gain experience in drafting and estimating.

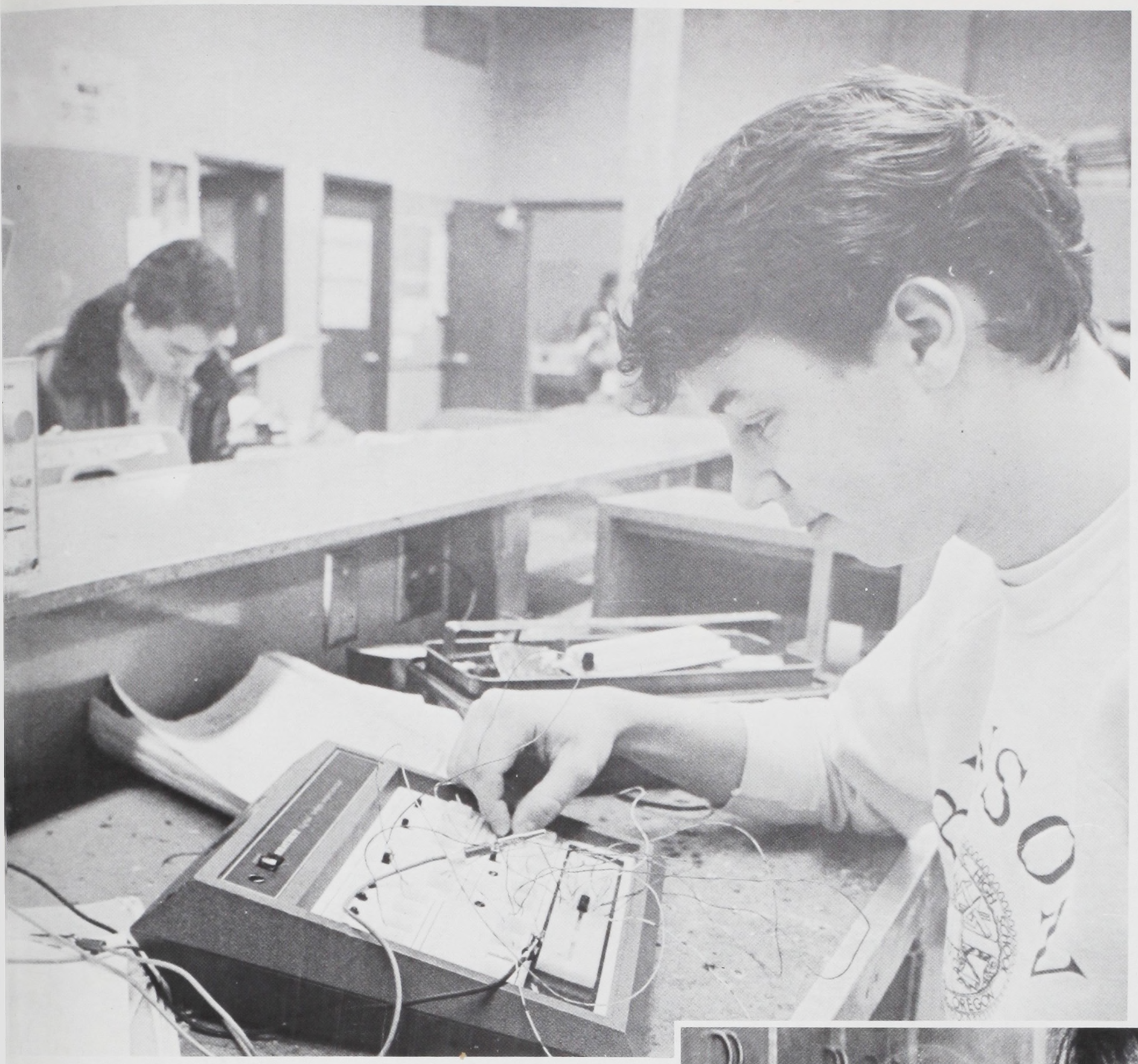
"The real difference in the Electronics program at Benson would be our new equipment," said instructor Robert Jeffrey. "We have some new robotic equipment, along with a CAD/CAE system (Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Engineering) that enables us to design, plot, and simulate circuits on the computer.

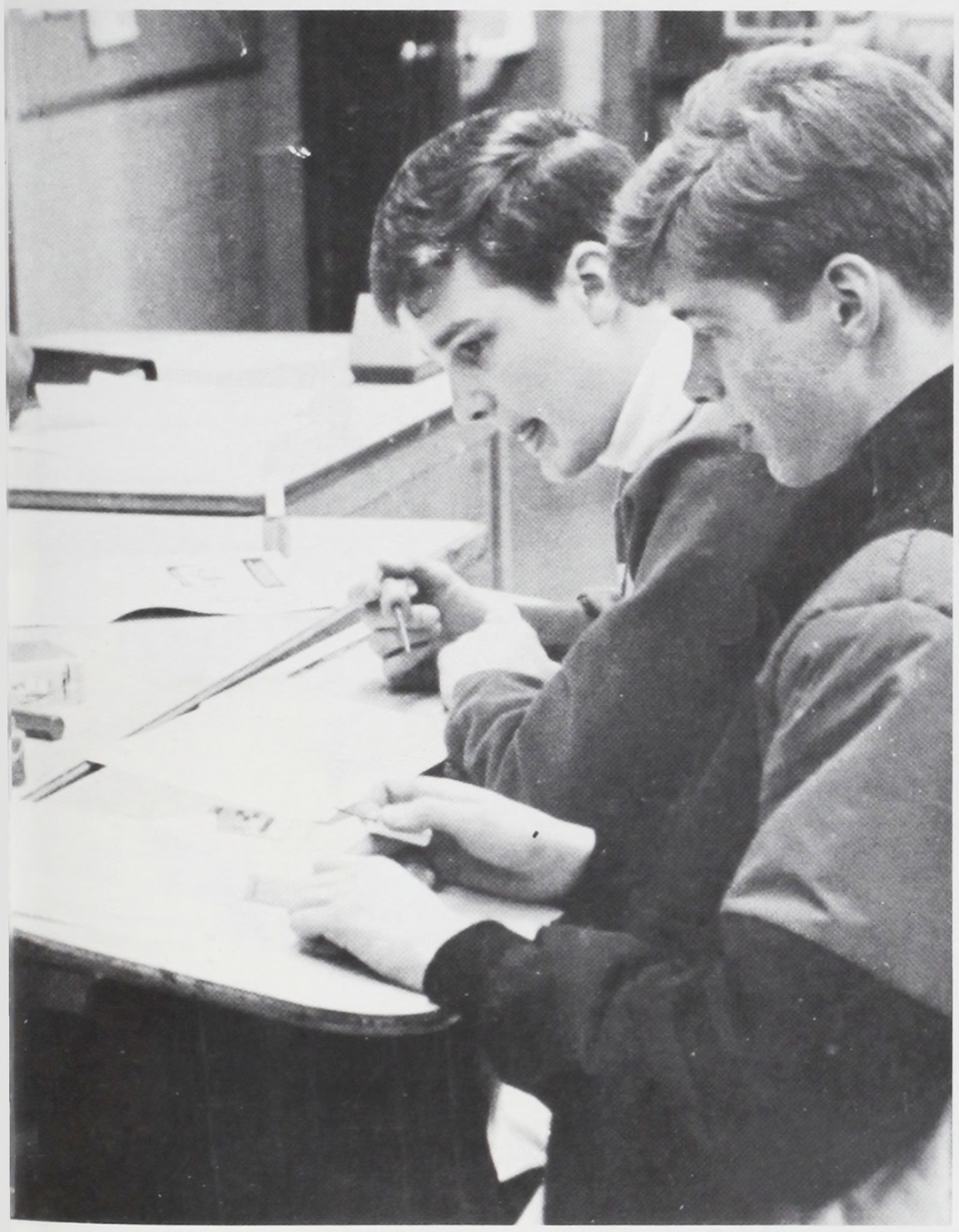
The robot "Rhino," obtained this year joined "Hero" from last year in a new study of robotics. The study dealt primarily with the industrial applications involved in robotics, especially the handling of hazardous materials and the execution of repetitive tasks the require a great deal of accuracy.

Steve Berquist (12) and Craig Rockwood (12) demonstrate the use of a programmable controller.

TOP: D'arcy Nelson (12) tests the speed control for an electric blender.

Standing at the drill press, Paul Green (12) modifies his car alarm.





Glyn Stubbs (12) works on an experimenter board as he builds a stable multivibrator.

Pat Neiman (10) and Everett Pierson (10) paint a printed circuit board.

Andy Rother (10) assembles a circuit board.

COMMUNICATIONS

SEVERAL SHOPS RELAY GRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS

"The biggest forseeable change in our graphics program is our focus on Desktop Publishing," explained Mr. John Conway, junior/senior print-shop instructor. "It will by no means replace our existing photo-offset program, but we have added it because it plays a large part in today's market."

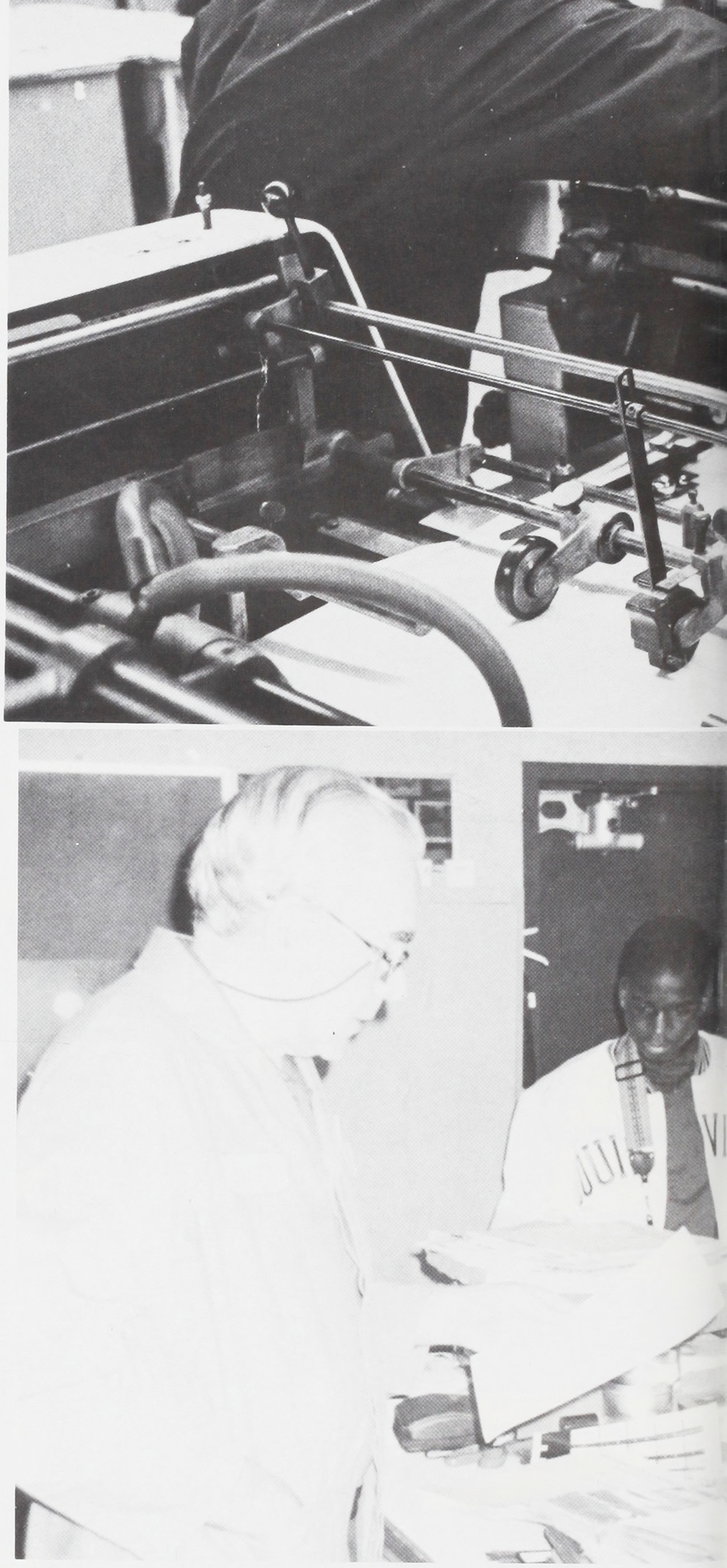
The new program was centered around a bank of IBM PC's, a Laser Printer, a Compaq PC, and a Digitizing Scanner. The scanner "photographed" a typewritten page and sent it to the computer. "It's a real time saver not having to type everything twice, "commented Aaron Leslie (12). "This way, we just set the page in the scanner and — zip — it's on the screen."

The sophomores also had a sleeker more modernized course involving photography and offset printing along with silk screening and bindery.

The freshman communications shop, new in 1987-88 offered much of the introductory study once handled in the sophomore shop.

In photography, students viewed a Benson first, lectures on video. These video cassettes were used by Mr. Small to help teach the students everything from basic information to complex photo and developing techniques.

But none of the graphics shops were truly "academic" in nature preferring a "hands-on" method. "There's no better way to learn in this field," stated Mr. Conway. "Experience is the key to our success."



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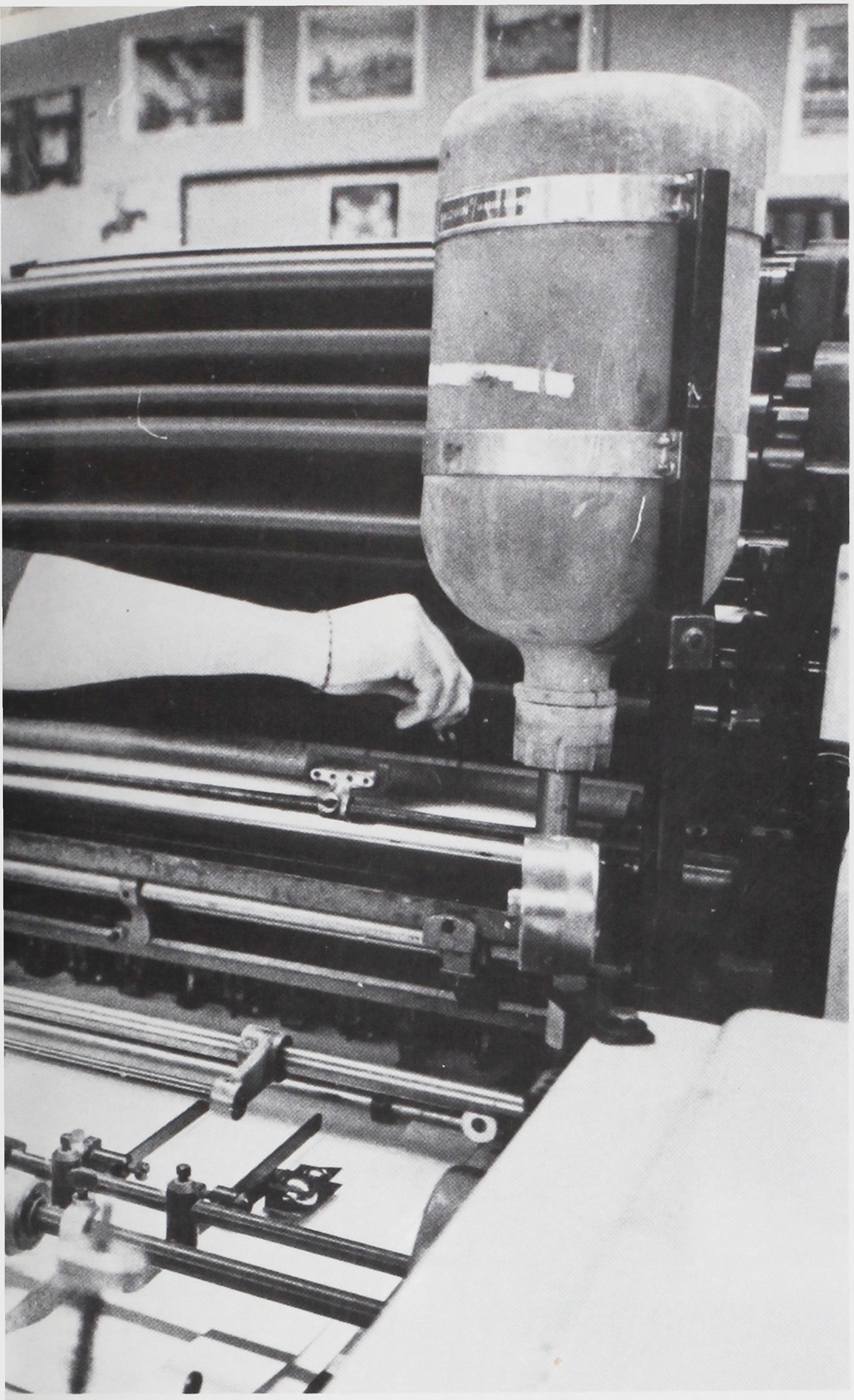
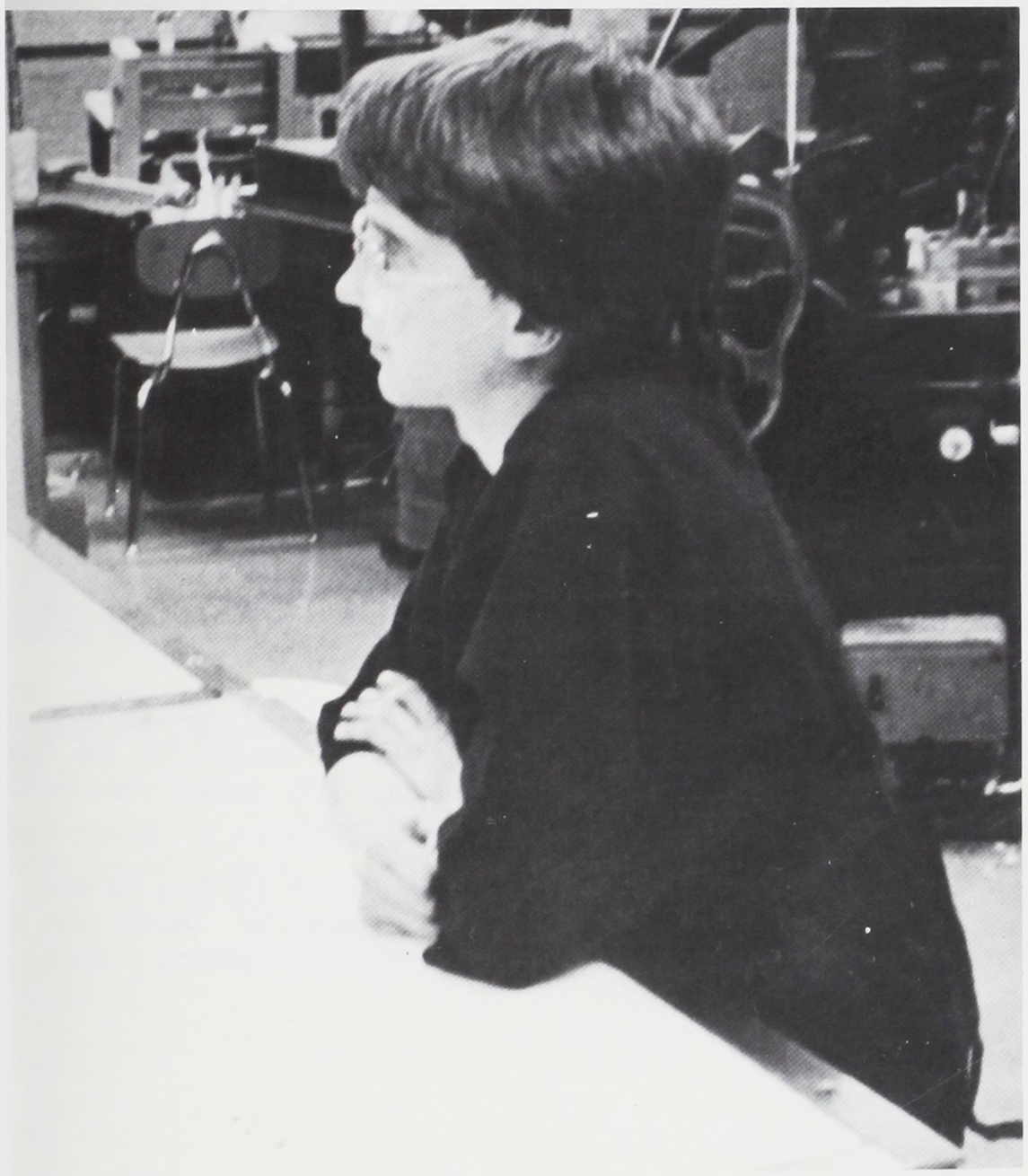
Mr. Small checks student's test while Kenny Warren (10) waits for film.



Ernest Schmidt (12) puts fountain solution on the damper to keep the plate clean.

Rebecca McKenna (11) works on the intertype, typing out slugs for memo pads.



Steve Hattrup (12) works at the light table pasting up the Tech Pep.

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS

CHANGES DIAGNOSED AS HEALTHY

The Health Occupations Department expanded, adding a new teacher and changing the teaching program. Kathy Lloyd, the new teacher in Health Occupations, shared knowledge of laboratory and office skills with the students. She also helped students get field experience in specific areas of interest.

The junior program was divided into three different sections: health care, patient communications, and office and laboratory skills.

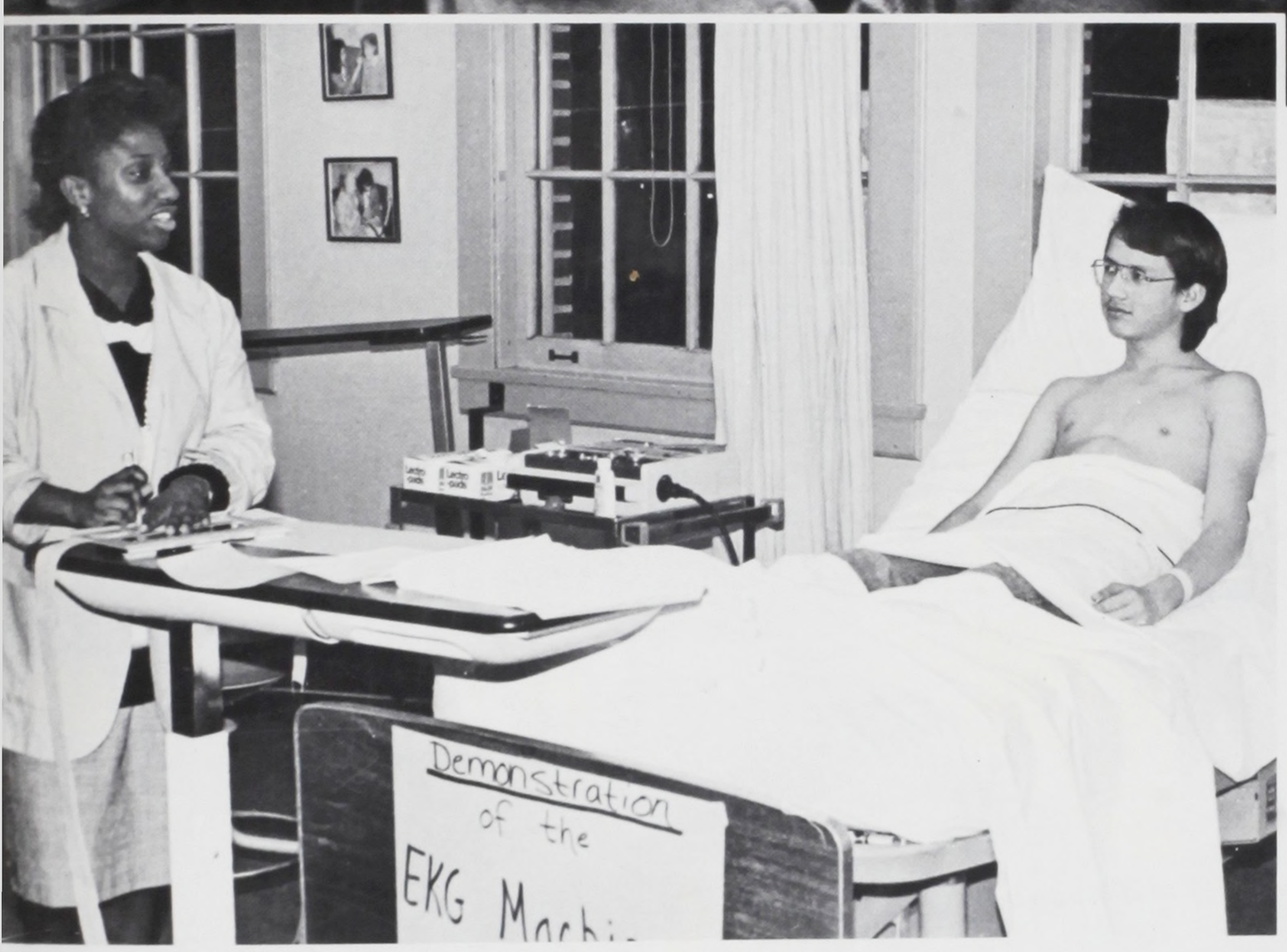
The senior dental program also underwent diversification. Now co-op students came in the afternoon and participated on the dental program.

The sophomore program was yet another area where change took place. In addition to a regular anatomy class, sophomores participated in Circle once a week. In Circle they had an opportunity to talk about their problems, express their feelings, and get support. Tram Vu (10) said, "Everyone in Circle knows each other, so it's easy to talk about problems. Everyone really gives you the support you need."

Ernie Peterson (9) stoically demonstrates a knife wound.

TOP: Tami Danel (12) patiently cooperates as Jennifer Jenkins (12) and Rachel Niemann (12) practice their chairside assisting skills.

Renee Lofgren (12) tests the theory on math teacher Mr. Michael Ball that teaching causes high blood pressure.



TOP: Sophomore Health Occupations students offer support to one another in "Circle."

Shiela Randall (11) readies the "patient" Nathan Han (10) for an EKG.

KBPS

CLASS ON AIR

The KBPS program more than tripled this year. Eitghteen students carried this major, compared with only five majors in 1986-1987. "I am pleased, the program is developing," said Mr. Kevin Flink, KBPS instructor. "We offer the students both hands-on training and instruction in sales techniques, promotion, statistics, and research in radio."

Tim Underwood, a D.J. at KGON radio station, shows students how to operate equipment and keep a radio station functioning.

"The teachers help make KBPS a very unique class. They give us a chance to work on the air during school hours and in the evening as well," said Susan Howard (12).

While Margaret Franklin (11) reads the news report, Jacqualynn Barnes (11) waits for her turn at the microphone.

1983 Benson graduate John Pitman helps out at KPBS as a FM music announcer.

TOP: Brenna Ferguson (11) watches as Cynthia Baldwin (10) helps James Johnson (12) with his microphone check.

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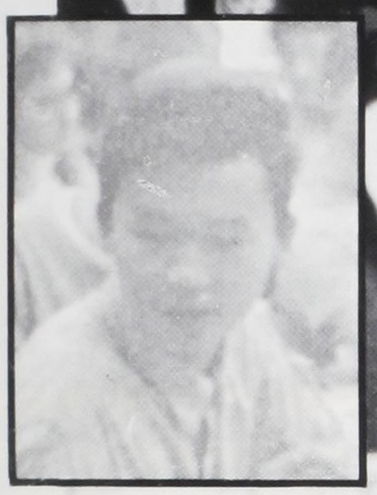

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NEW SCIENCE CLASS STUDIES P.O.T.

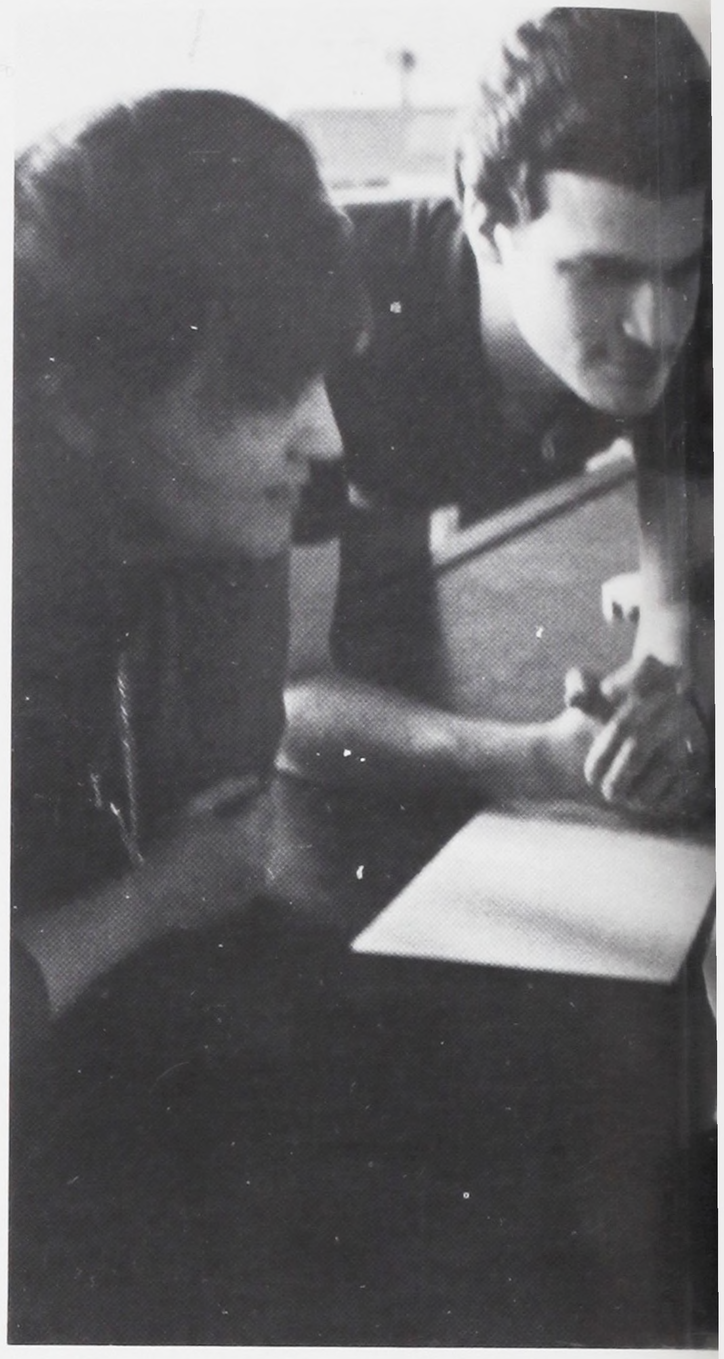
Already replete with options, options increased within the science department. Not only did the department receive new materials, but also a new class began its second year.

The new course, Principles of Technology II, taught math and science through hands on experience in labs. During the two year program, fourteen unifying principles were taught, including forçe, rate, and resistance. Students tackled each of the key principles in four subunits: the relationship of the principle to fluid systems, mechanical systems, electrical systems, and thermal systems.

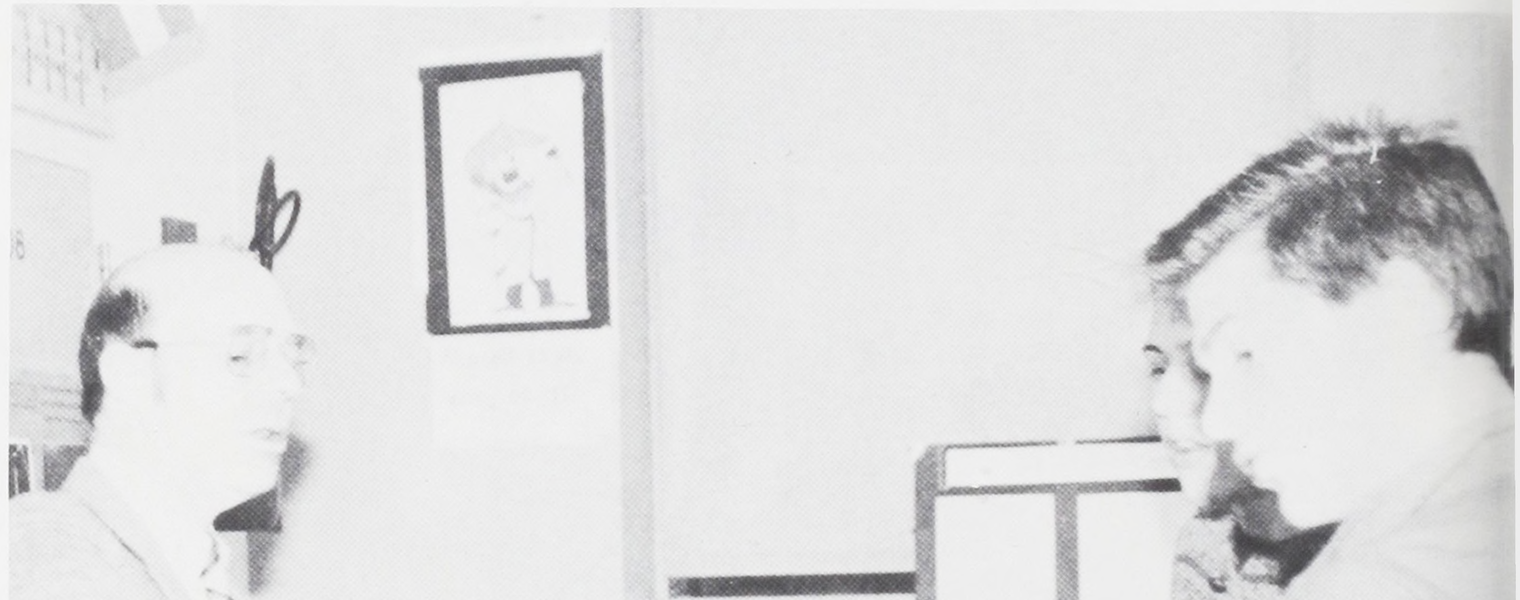
The program, the only one of its kind in Portland, was well-received and attracted many visitors throughout the year. About 100 students participated this year and about 200 are expected to do so next year. "The class will prepare students for both college and vocational training," said teacher Della Schiebold.

The science department started a reference library for chemistry, physics, and biology, consisting of workbooks, notebooks, and labs for the various classes. Mr. John Harlan, head of the department, plans to expand the library over a period of years.

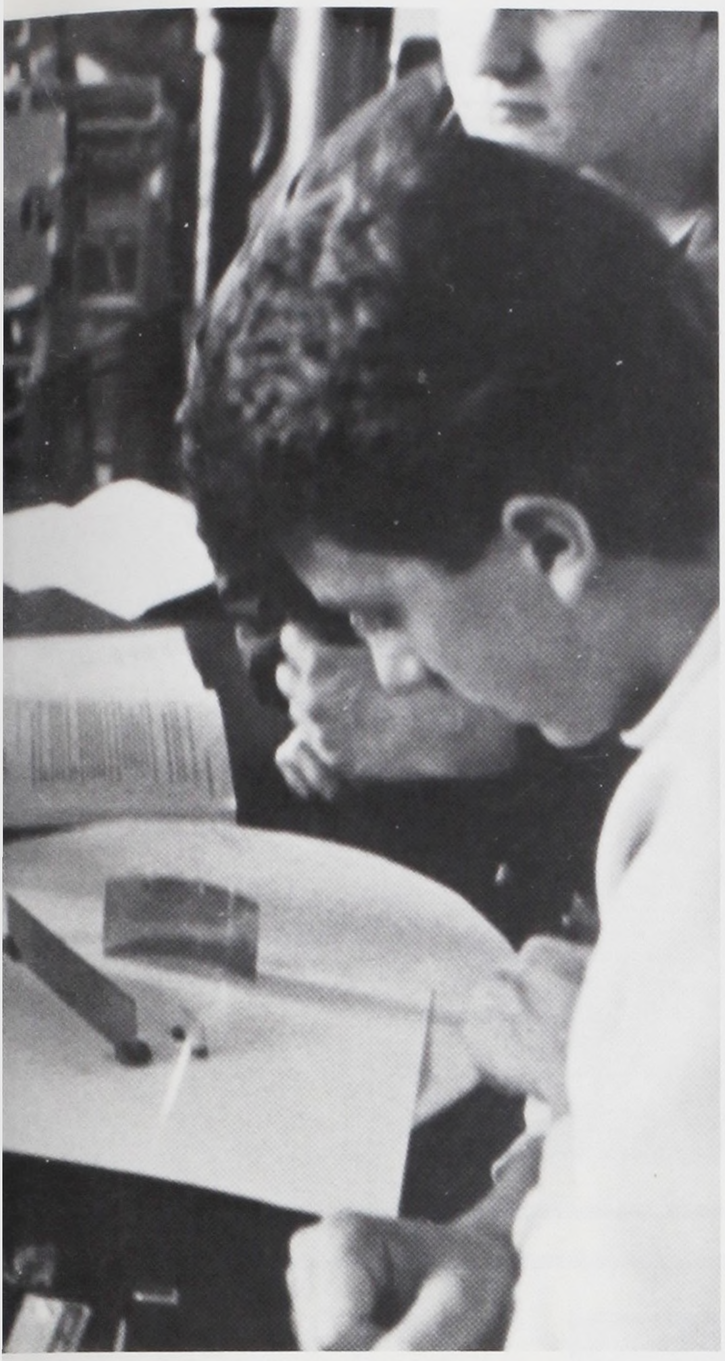
Benson students placed second in chemistry competition at the Science Expo Olympiad. It was the second year students competed in this area and first year they competed in physics.



Tung Ly (11) performs a chemistry experiment at the Tech Show.



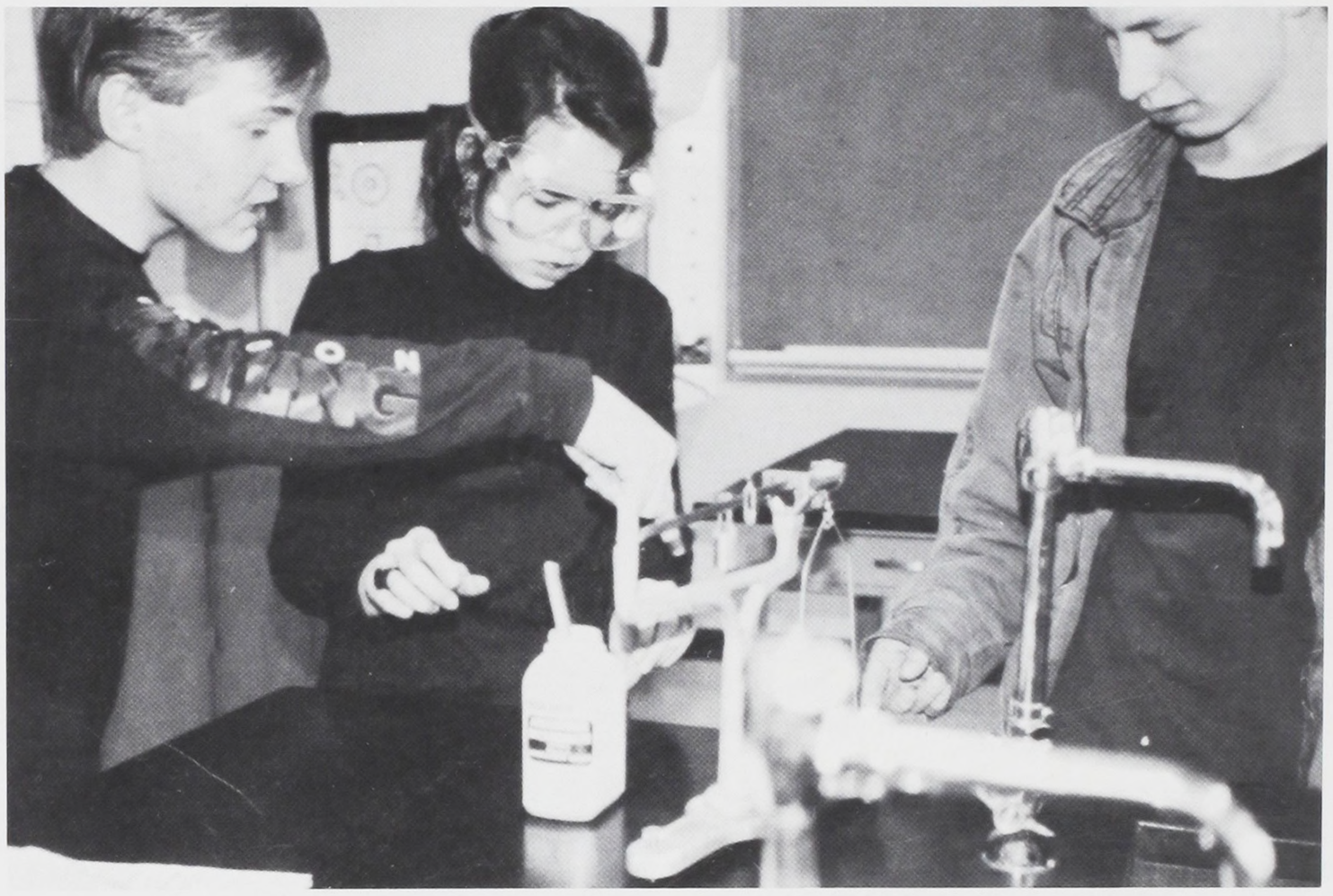
Eli Theard (12) watches as Mr. John Harlan demonstrates a motion principle in physics.



Ms. Della Schiebold supervises as George Morrill (12), Steve Hailey (12), and Robert Taylor (12) reflect a laser light through a beam splitter.

In Biology Jeremy O'Leary (9) shows his worm slides.

Jason Williams (12) and Aaron Leslie (12) sketch out the path of a laser light in Principles of Technology II.



Preparing to stand back, Aaron Thompson (10), Jennifer White (10), and Brian Aguirre (10) wait for a chemical reaction.

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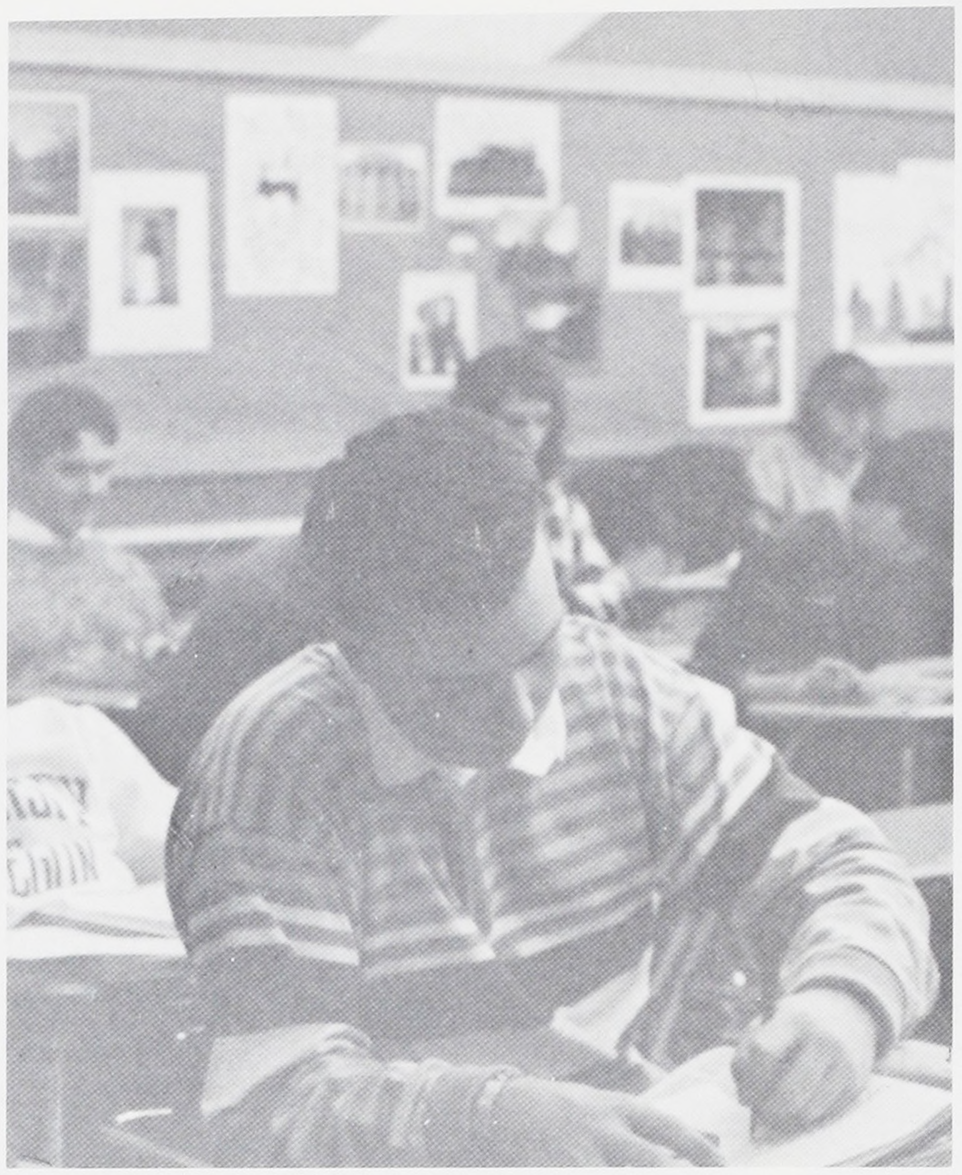
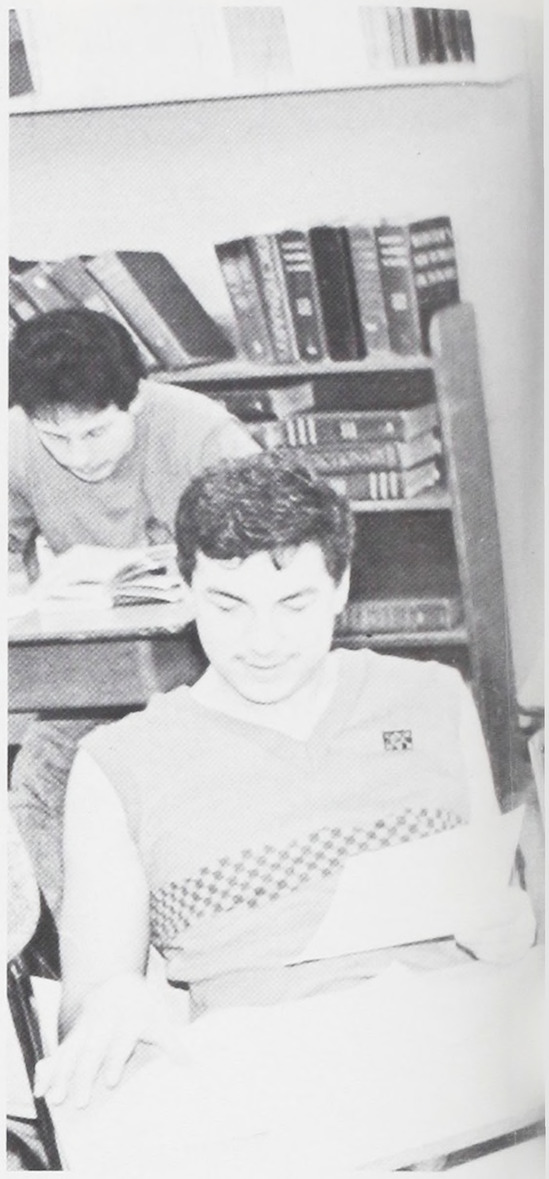




Adam Gee (12) works on a writing assignment in the Senior Challenge Composition course.

Sharon Goldsby, Chris Larson, Yong Pak, Hong Nguyen, and Virginia Hackenbruck put final touches on their written interviews. They work on this combined English-shop assignment in Mrs. Gwen Whitmore's English class.

Seniors Shane Patrick and Leng Tan discuss the topics of their classmates' brochures. Students made the brochures as an English writing assignment.

Coached by their English teacher, Ms. Maureen Scally, juniors Richard Poe, Adrian Fields, Ron Billings, Tamerlane Cabusao, and Greg Vernon work on peer editing.

DID YOU HEAR THAT WRITE?

Gone are the days when English teachers gave students a writing topic and then collected, graded, and returned the papers without discussion. Benson English teachers emphasized writing process techniques which included brainstorming, small group discussion, peer editing, and revising.

In addition teachers asked students to share their writing with a larger audience. Mrs. Wachlin's sophomores made a booklet of their collected work which was printed in the print shop. The booklet included poetry, essays, short stories, and a family tree.

"Students invest more energy in writing when it is intended for a wider audience," said Mrs. Brenda Nelson who encouraged her students to share their writing with audiences inside and outside the classroom.

Freshman English teachers and shop teachers coordinated some assignments. English teachers assisted students with shop notetaking and research skills.

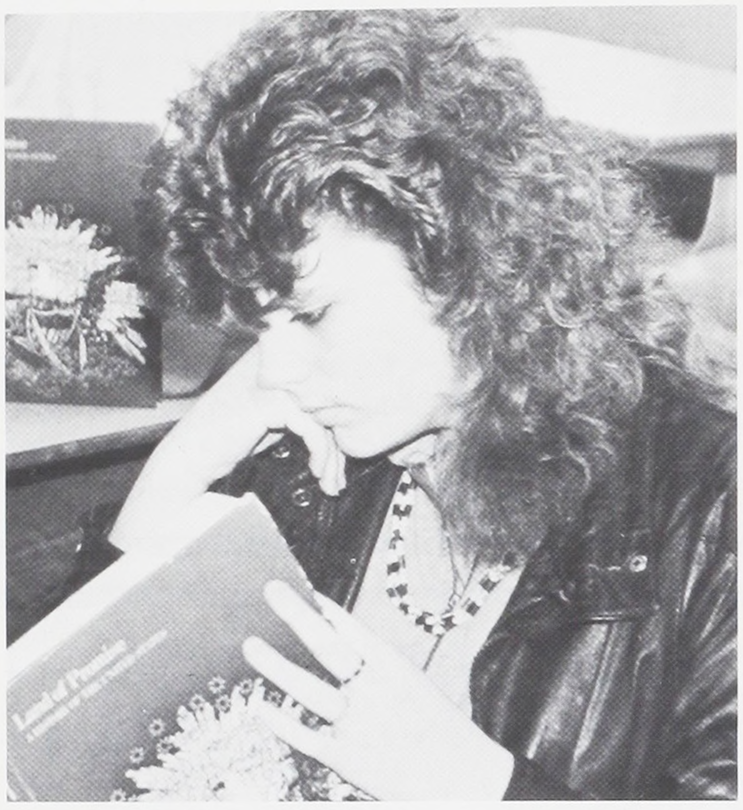
Seniors had the opportunity to take a challenge course taught by Dr. Fred Rodgers. These students took a semester each of English Literature and a semester of composition offered for college credit.

MEMBERS OF MRS. MARIE WACHLIN'S SOPHOMORE ENGLISH CLASS: Kristi Huynh, Hua Duong, Cuong Hua, Cynthia Baldwin, Jennifer Halvorson, Leslie Gorans, Randy Trout (Seated) Dennis Grasser and Katie Van Winkle — choose a book cover for their collected works.

. . . worldly wise

Tamara Grater, (12) contemplates Oregon's future as she sits in Governor Neil Goldschmidt's chair. Ms. Betty Garner, leaning on the back of the chair, arranged the senior field trip to the state capital.

Reading about the contribution of minorities in the founding of America, Andrea Bunker (11) gets a broader view of history.



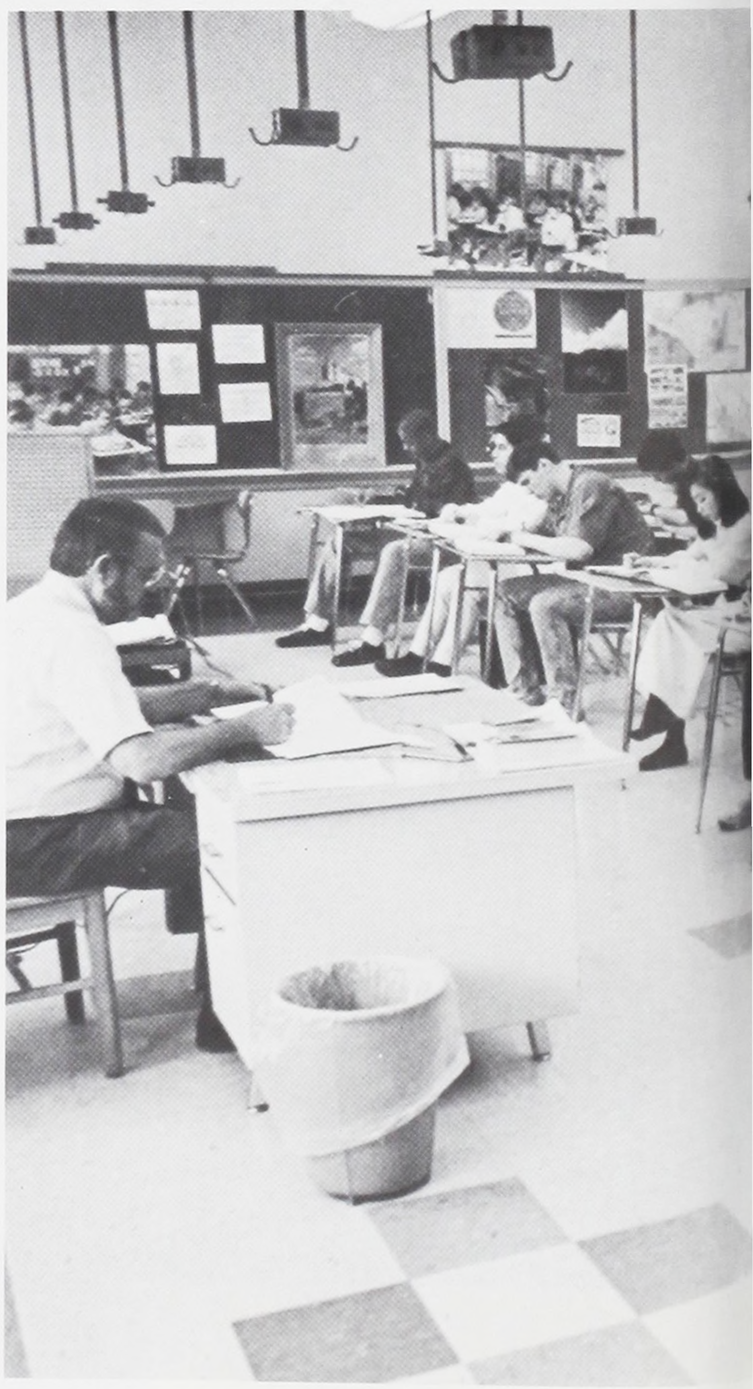
VARIETY SPICES LANGUAGE

As always students worked on mastering reading, writing, and speaking in their foreign language classes. Learning vocabulary, pronunciation, sentence structure, and grammar formed the foundation of German, French, and Spanish.

But students learned these basics with a flare, absorbing the culture of the countries where each of these languages is spoken. Songs, games, art work, writing and even restaurant trips enlivened the classes.

"The study of language and culture is fascinating," said Mrs. Holmstrom. Students tasted the spice as well as the basic meal.

Referring to student made posters, Mrs. Amelie Holmstorm enthusiastically discusses the landmarks of Paris.



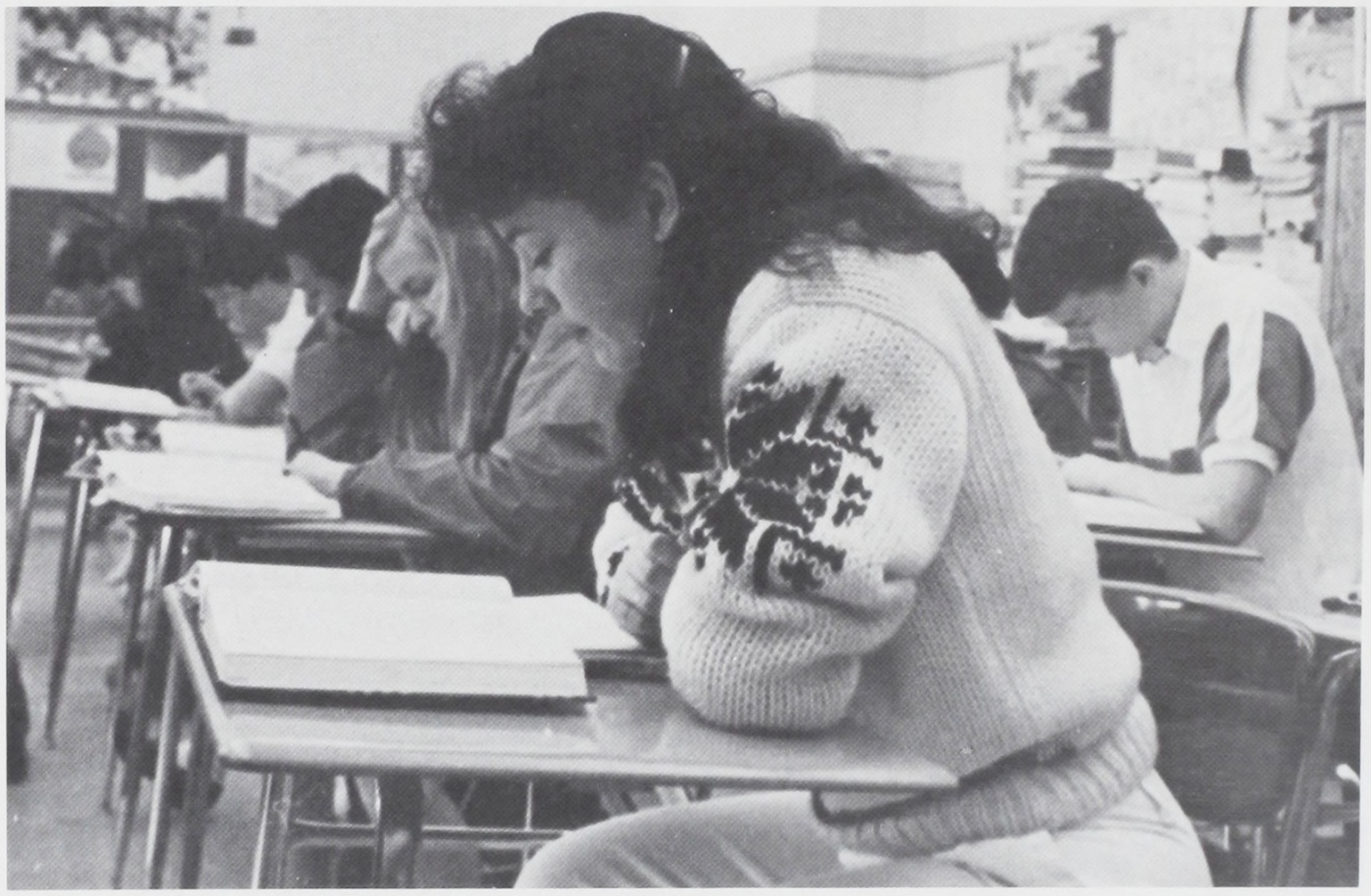
STUDENTS VIEW THE WORLD FIRST-HAND AND IN CLASS

History and Global Studies' teachers gave more emphasis to multi-cultural studies. Students in U.S. History learned about the contribution of many ethnic groups throughout American history. They discussed, for instance, what role the American Indians played in the Civil War and how that war affected them.

Global Studies' students went beyond geography, climate, and economics to learn about the daily lives, the traditions, and the politics of the peoples of the world.

Seniors in Economics and Government added first-hand knowledge to their studies. Ms. Betty Garner's classes visited the State Capitol Building in Salem, talking with Governor Neil Goldschmidt about state government. Mr. David Nelson took a Close-up group to Washington D.C. where students toured the Smithsonian Institute, the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Lincoln Memorial.

In Ms. Sarah Callahan's Global Studies class, Amber Morris (9), Eric Jenkins (9), Wendell Woo (9) and Marquis Gibson (9) display their foreign travel project.



¿Tu lees el español? Mr. Williams Hughes' class works to perfect that skill.

Paula Mason-Salazar (10) memorizes the genders of Spanish nouns.

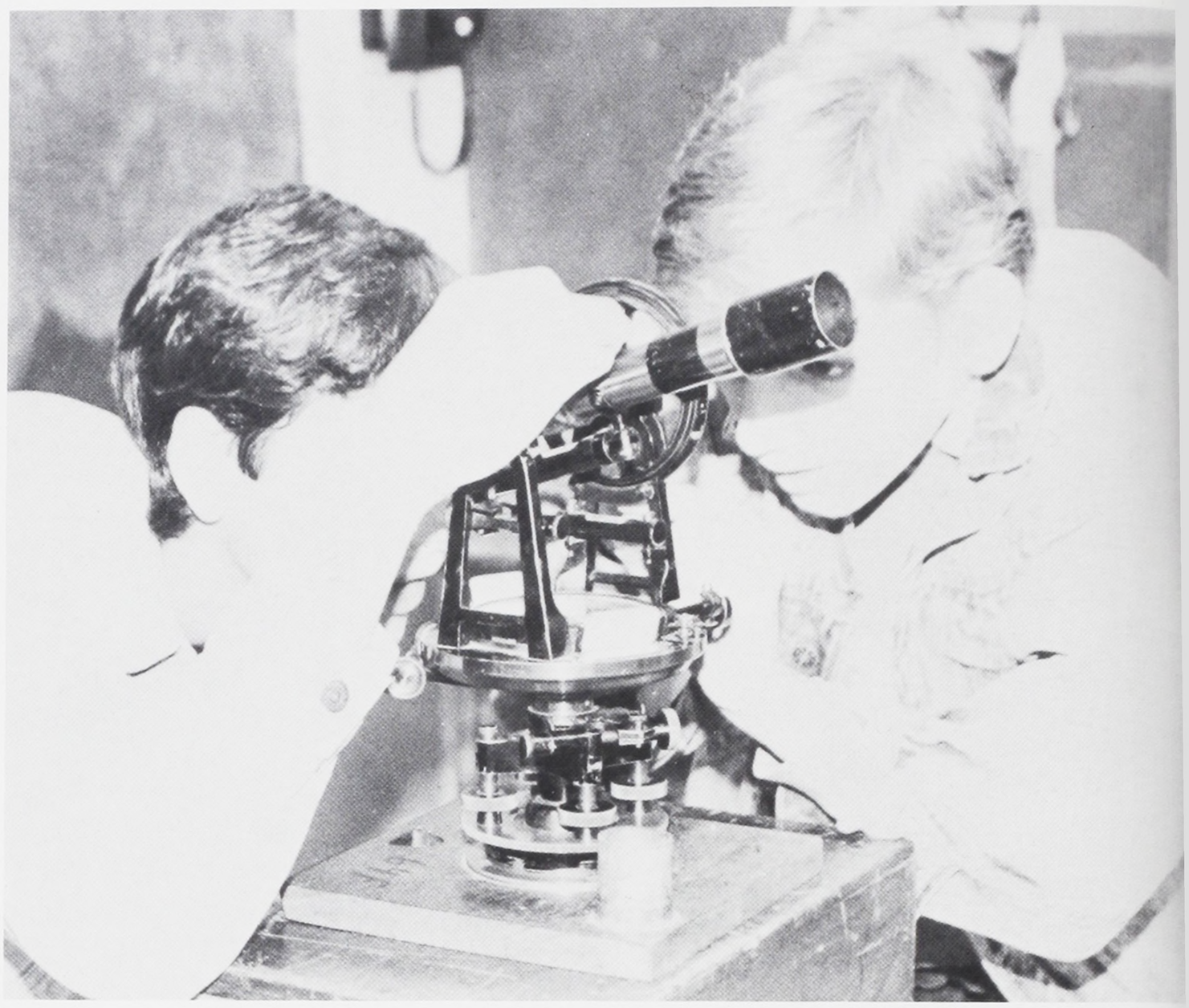
. . . opportunities multiply

PROBABILITY IS MORE THAN A THROW OF THE DICE

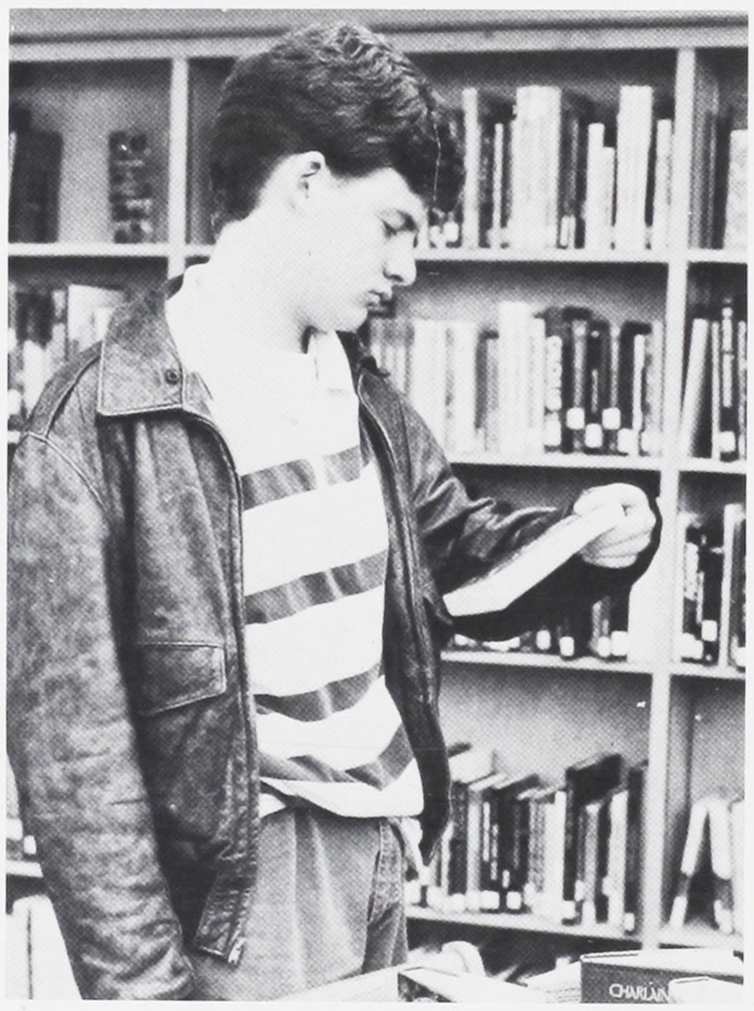
The Benson Math Department added a new course, Probability and Statistics. Many colleges were asking that this be made available to high school students because it is a required course for many in college. The class, taught by Mr. Ray Slebos, offered a more appropriate advanced math class for students not going into a science or engineering related field of study.

"This is a class many students will need," said Mr. Slebos. "Probability and Statistics is essential for fields, such as economics and business."

Mrs. Heidi Anderson offered a new before school math tutoring period for students having trouble in math.



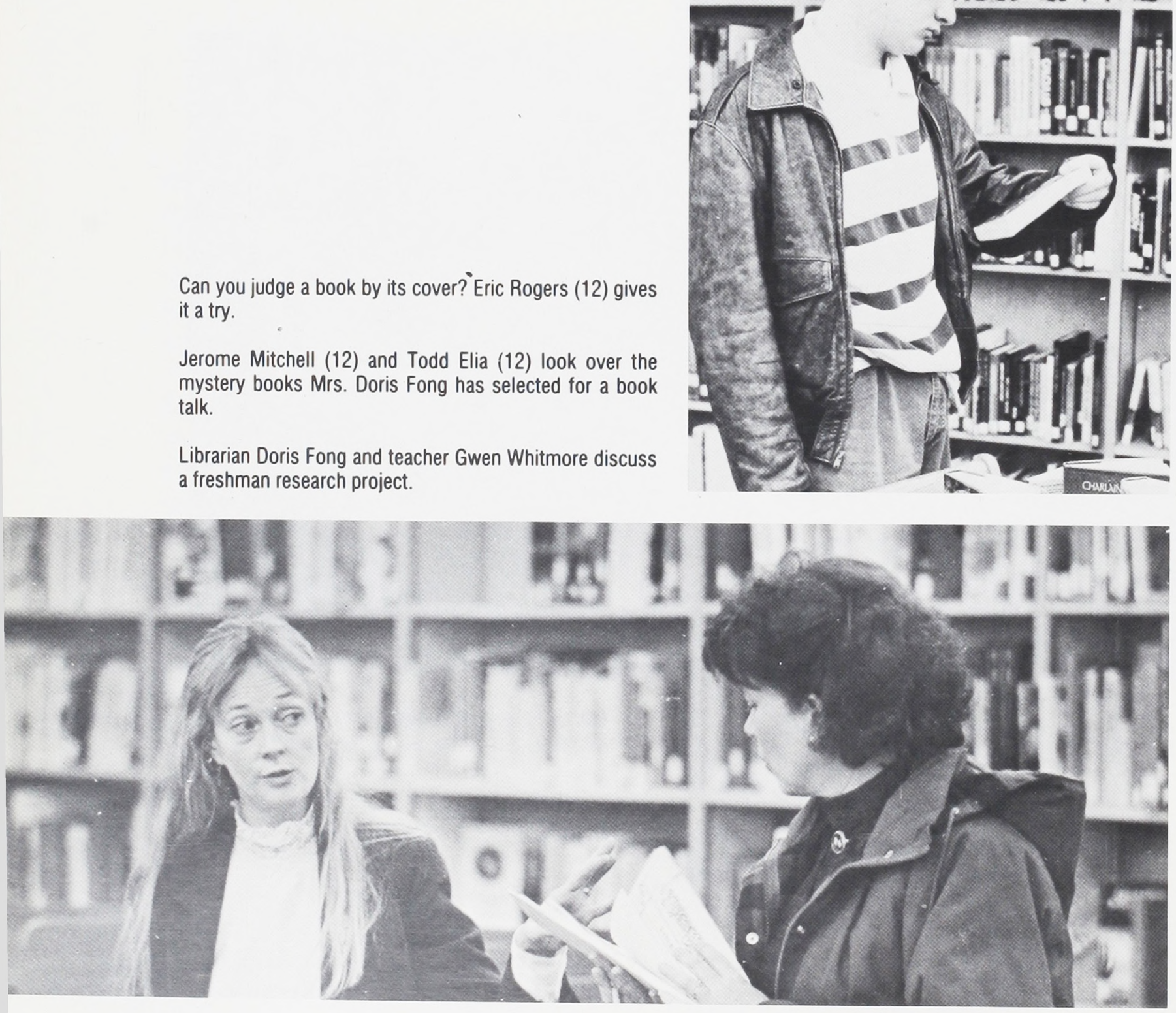
In Mrs. Heidi Anderson's zero period, Shawn Heikkila (9) and Andrew Grangaard (9) practice with a surveyors transit using the Vernier scale to measure angles of elevation.

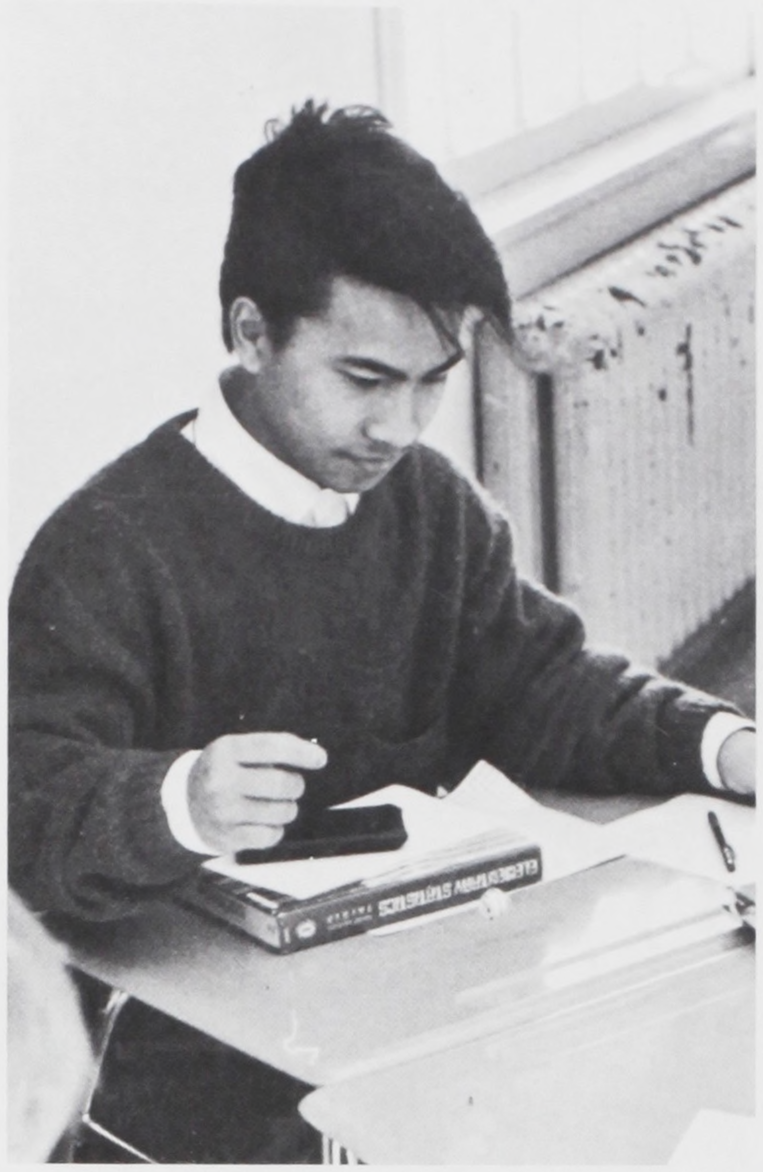


Can you judge a book by its cover? Eric Rogers (12) gives it a try.

Jerome Mitchell (12) and Todd Elia (12) look over the mystery books Mrs. Doris Fong has selected for a book talk.

Librarian Doris Fong and teacher Gwen Whitmore discuss a freshman research project.

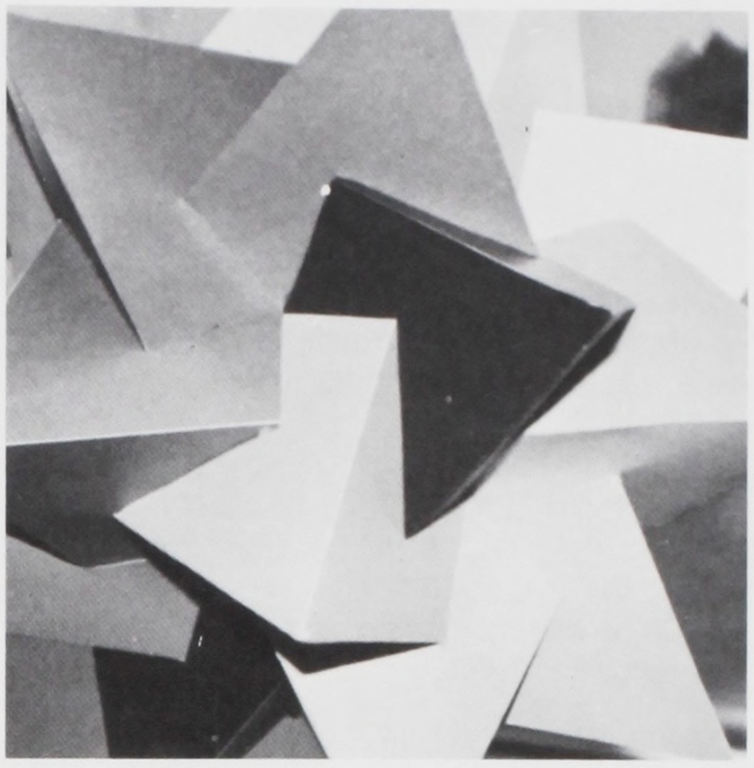




Instructor Ray Slebos flashes statistics on the overhead.

Peter Pham (12) rolls dice for an assignment in Probability and Statistics.

A tetra star (five tetrahedrons intesecting in space) constructed by Sean Mitts (9) hangs from the ceiling of Mrs. Heidi Anderson's math class.



Oanh Mai (9) creates tissue paper fish for a library display.

FISH AND MICROFISH FLOAT IN THE LIBRARY

Under the influence of the new aquarium in the library, students have been encouraged to "dive right in" according to the librarian, Doris Fong. Circulation was up seventy-five percent over last year. "Freshmen have used the library more than any other class," said Mrs. Fong, "but they weren't the only ones using it." A majority of students and faculty took full advantage of the library's services.

Other changes include a new library assistant, Karen Archer and new equipment. A new microfish printer was purchased to meet the demands of the students. New electric typewriters and computers assisted students with their studies. Overdues were more accurately recorded because of the organization of the computer. With a push of a button, the overdues popped onto the computer screen.

Mrs. Carol Matarazzo said, "Benson has an outstanding librarian. The great increase in library use is directly related to her attitude and ability."

. . . keeping in shape

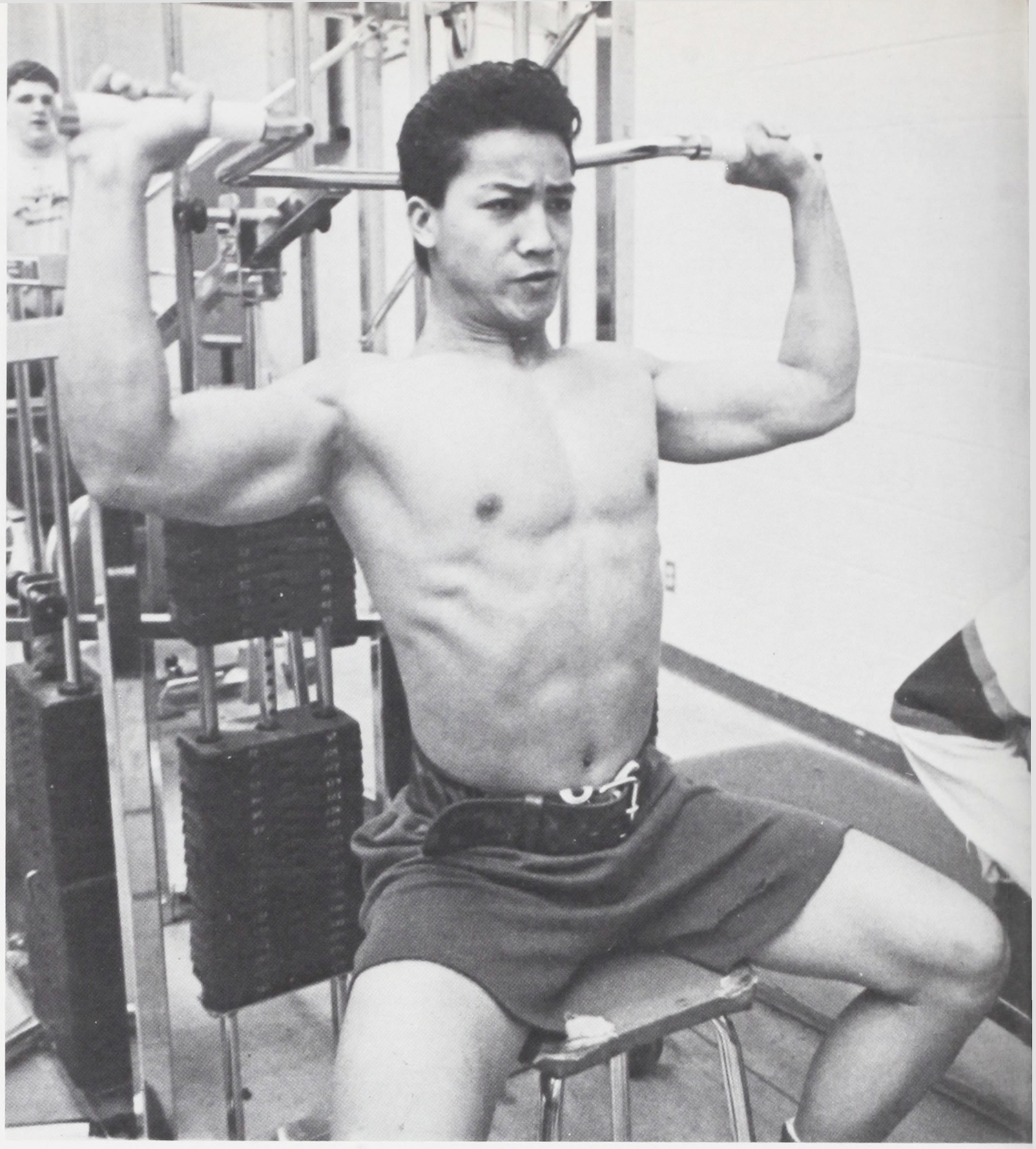
HEALTH AND FITNESS ISSUES FOR THE 80's

The physical education teachers feel like they have accomplished something when each person improves his/her fitness level, understands what they have learned, and knows what activities keep them fit," said Kathy Peterson, instructor.

The major goal of the physical education department was to teach fitness: emotionally, intellectually, and socially. Ninth Grade PE, Lifetime Sports and Weight Training all emphasized these goals. "Performing in physical education helps build esteem and self-confidence," said Michele Klein (12).

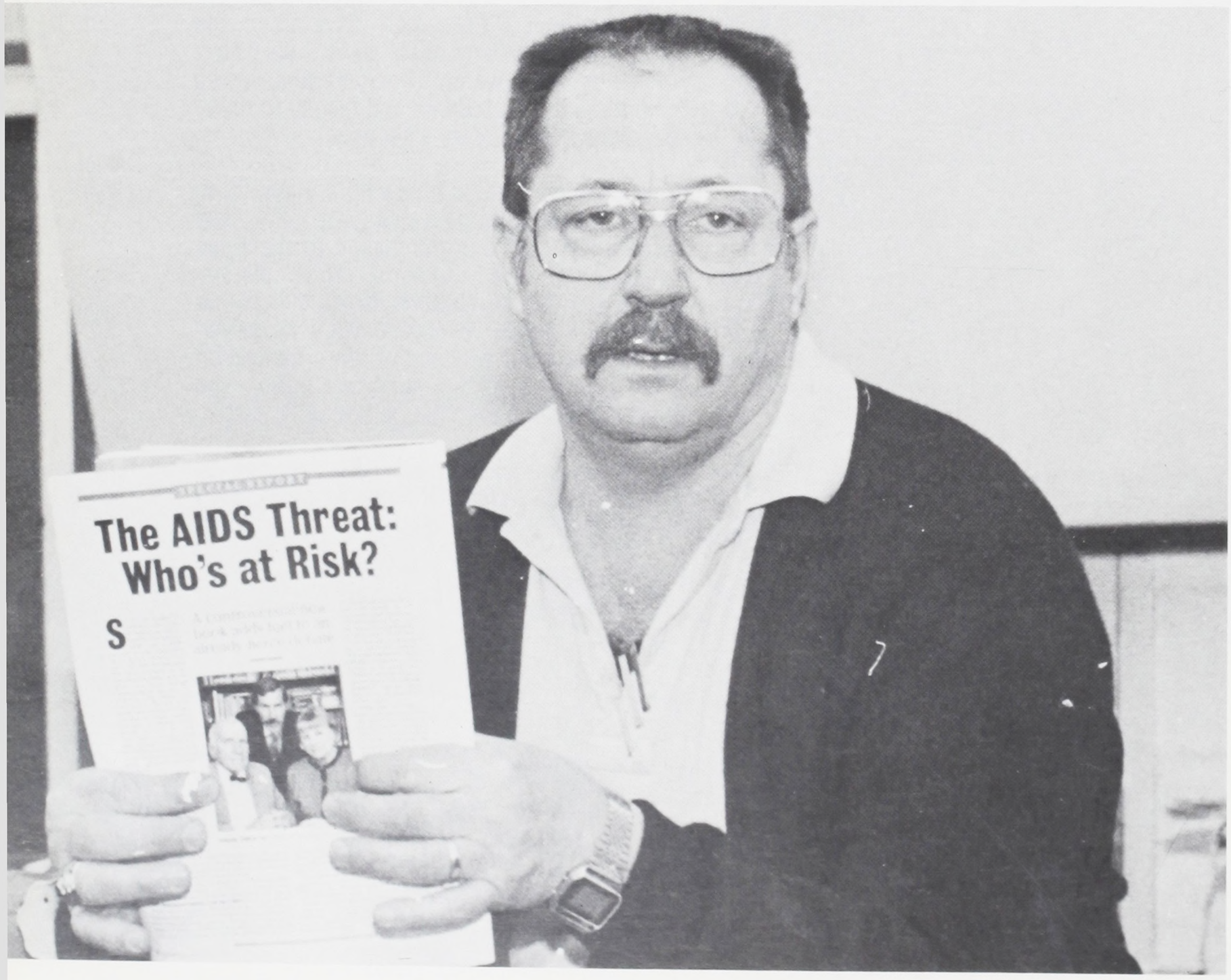
Curriculum in health classes changed along with the changing needs of society. Students were taught how to take good care of their bodies. They learned about the importance of food, the importance of fitness, the importance of health care, and the importance of the issue of AIDS.

"You try to teach the kids, but they don't always take the AIDS issue seriously," said Instructor Vern Melvin. "But this is the most serious health issue of the 80's."

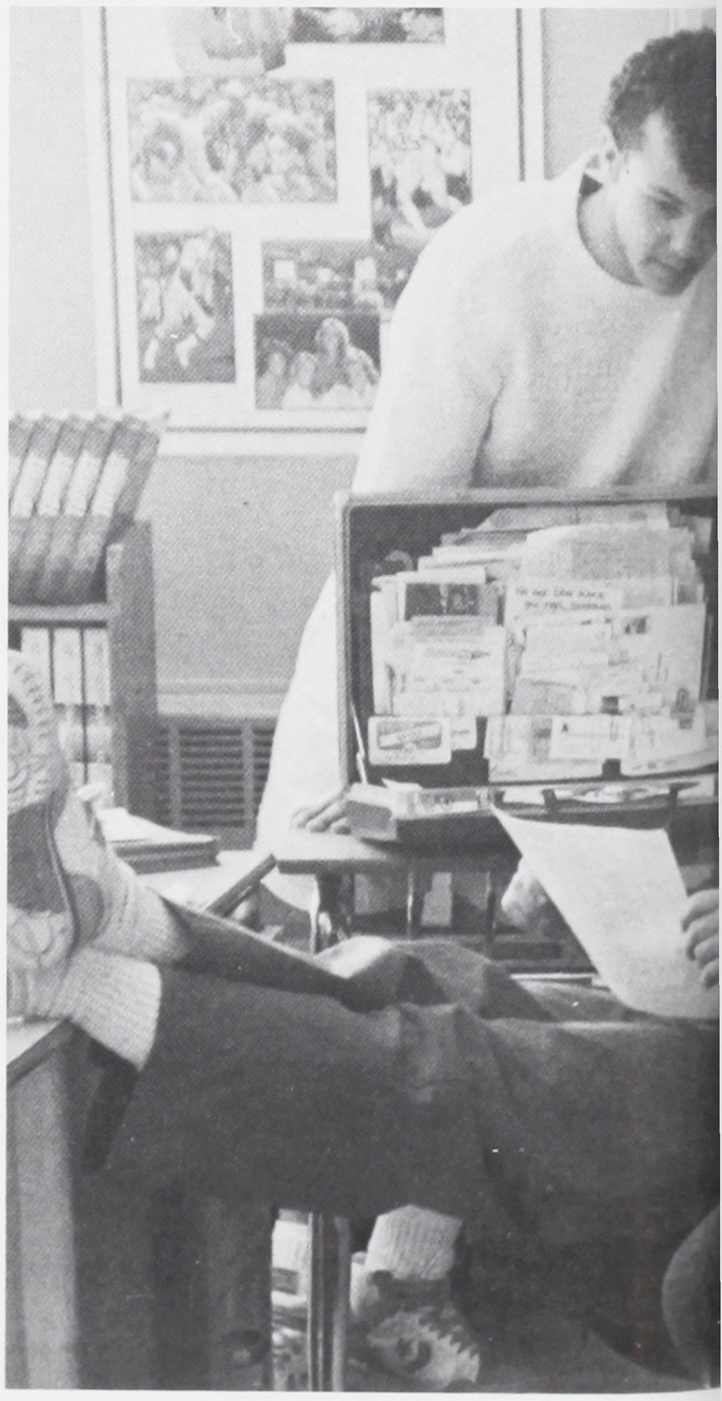


Hau Nguyen (12) strengthens his shoulders on the military press.

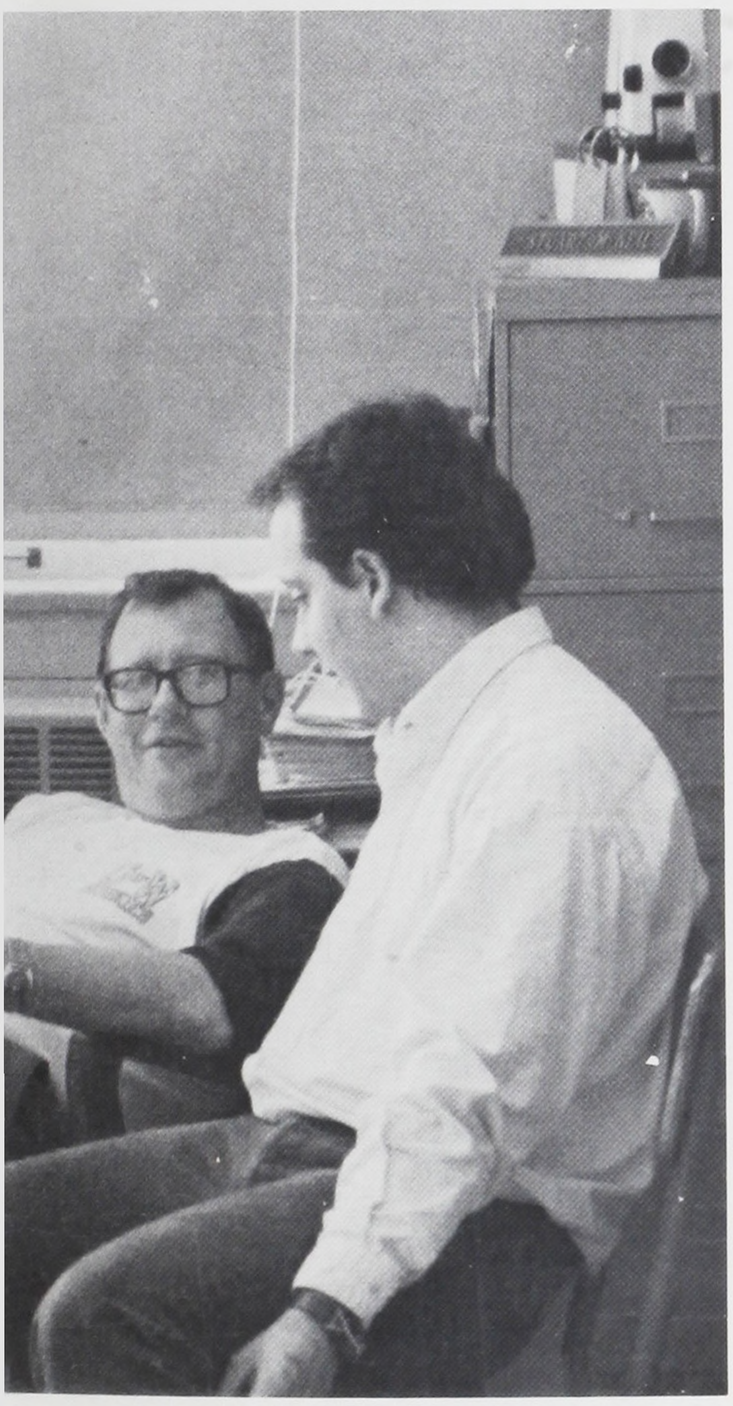
Mr. Ben Markin shows his health class the latest report on AIDS.

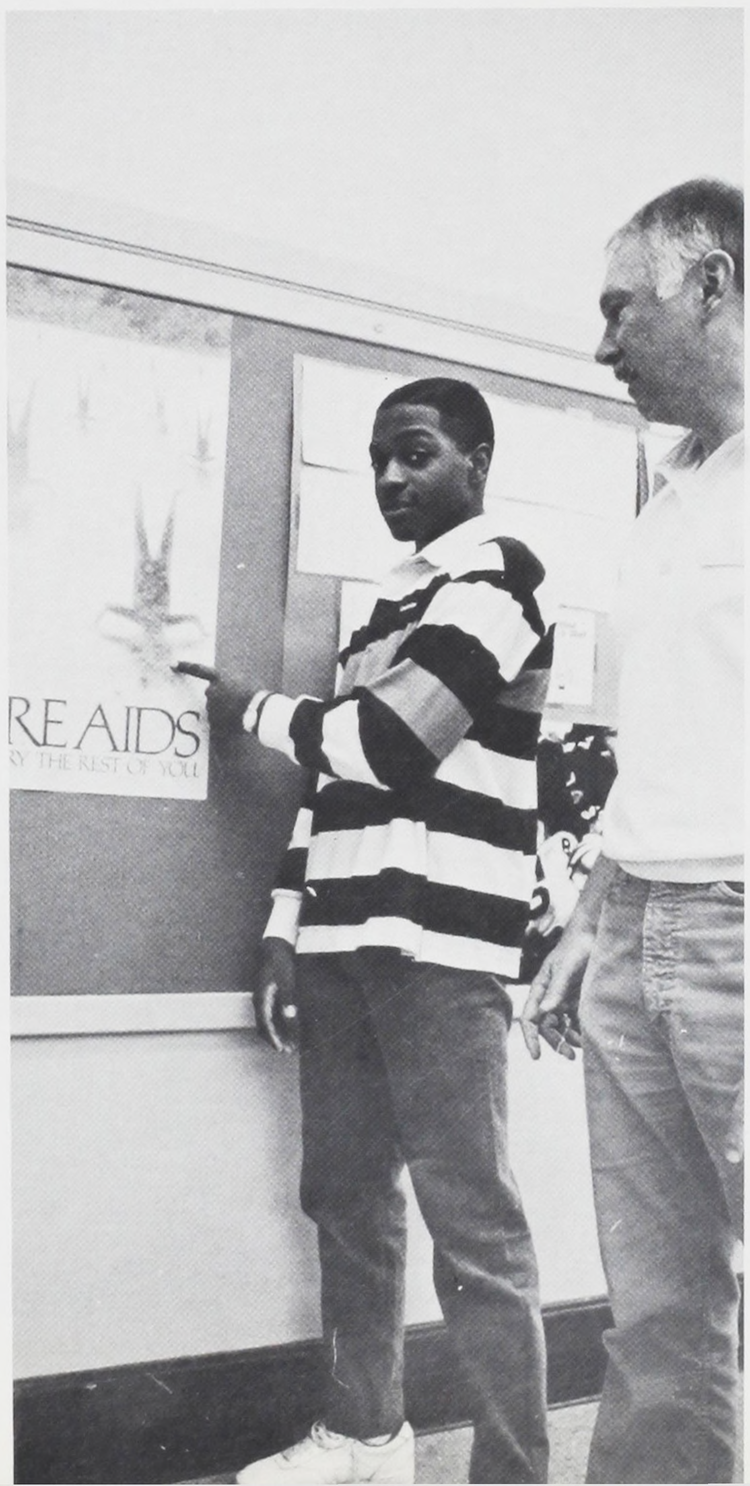


Carlos Laguardia (10) looks on while Matt Hetrick (10) and Mr. Stuart McNeil discuss Matt's health test.



Sonia Kim (9) swipes the birdie over the net in her PE class.





Jason Seibert (9), William Chin (9), and Shane Sears (9) begin an endurance run.

Waleed Sadniddin (10) and Mr. Vern Melvin point out the AIDS should not be ignored.

. . . they're the right type

TAKE A BIG "BYTE" FROM THREE CLASSES

"Computers is the class with everything students want and more," according to Instructor Jeff Spalding. This could be said for two other modern basic-skills classes as well, keyboarding and personal finance.

Mr. Spalding's classes used new MacIntosh machines with diverse capabilities. The super-paint program for instance, allowed students to "point" and "draw" on their monitors.

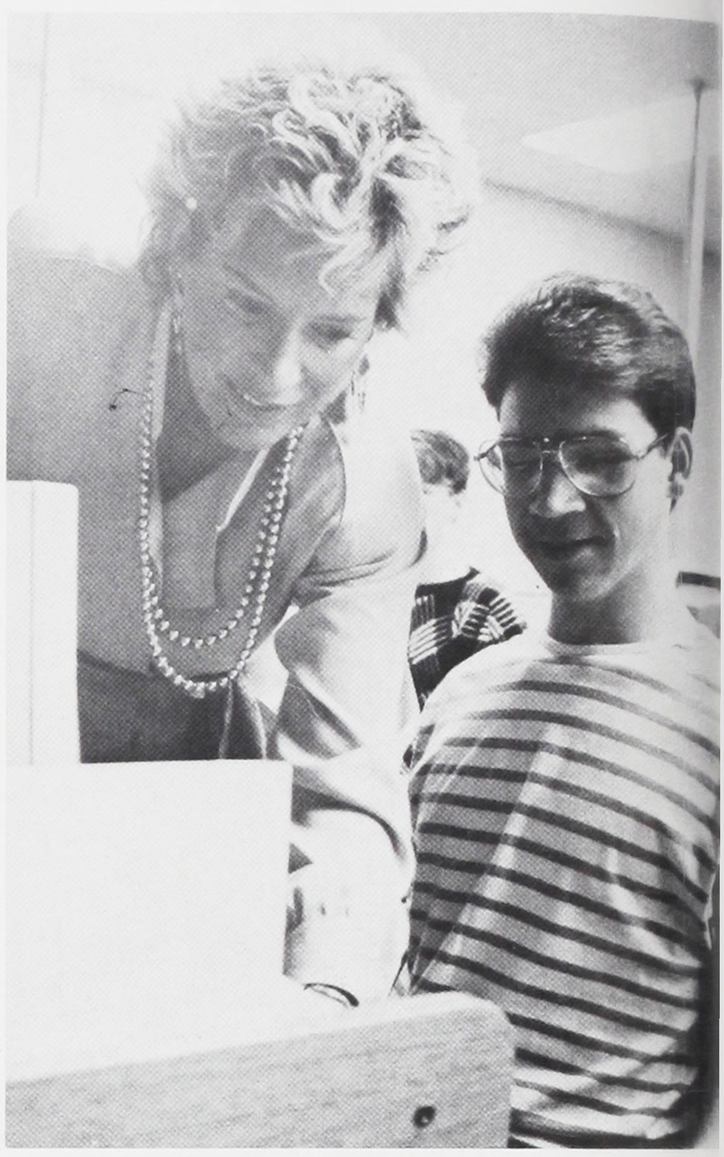
The students could also use the computers to create database spread sheets, and even do graphs. Their creations were printed on either the Imagewriter printer or the more precise and detailed Lasarwriter printer.

In addition to teaching basic typing skills in her Keyboarding class, Mrs. Judy Roeske also taught data processing and computer controlling.

Mr. Gray's Personal Finance classes started the year with new texts, replacing twenty-year-old books. A variety of speakers also added a up-to-date view of responsible finance management and consumerism.

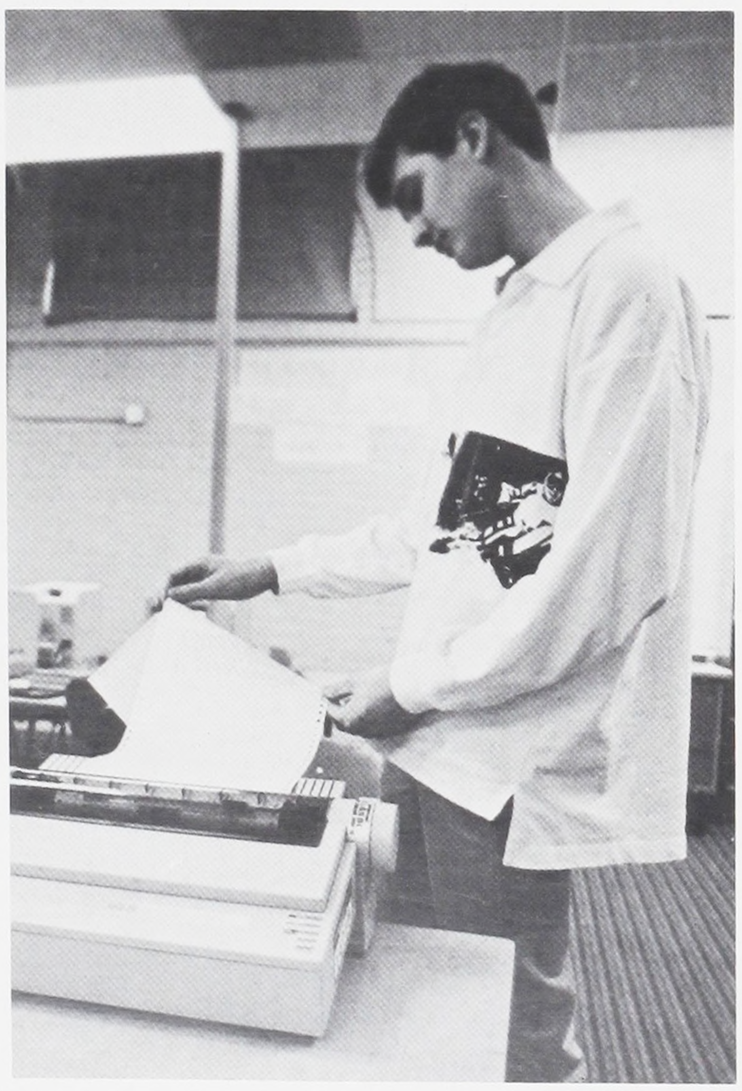
Speaker Paul Davis from the Army National Guard discusses job seeking skills with Mr. Dick Gray's Personal Finance classes.

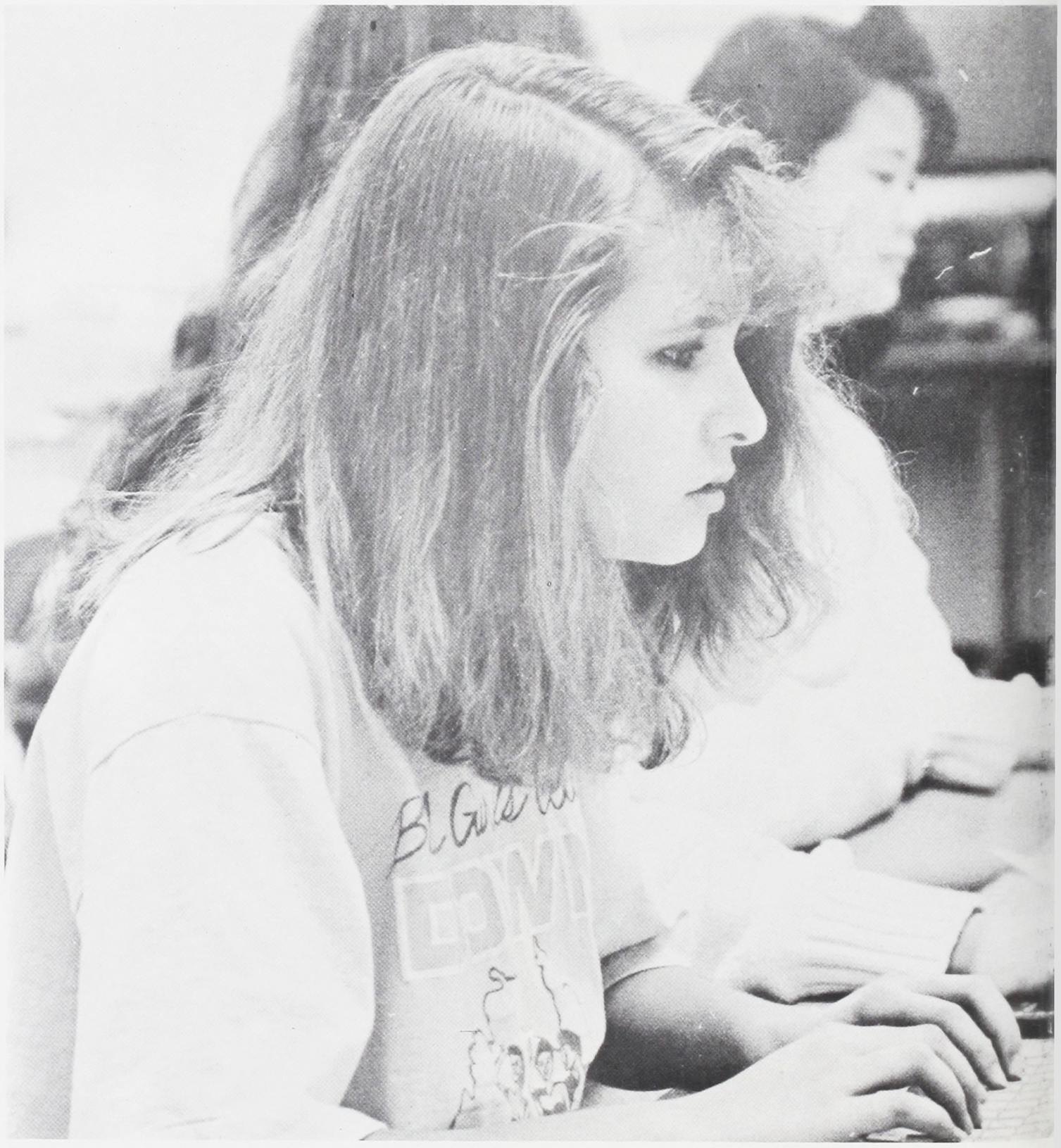
Ms. Judy Roeske helps Lowell Bonnin (10) with his keyboarding.

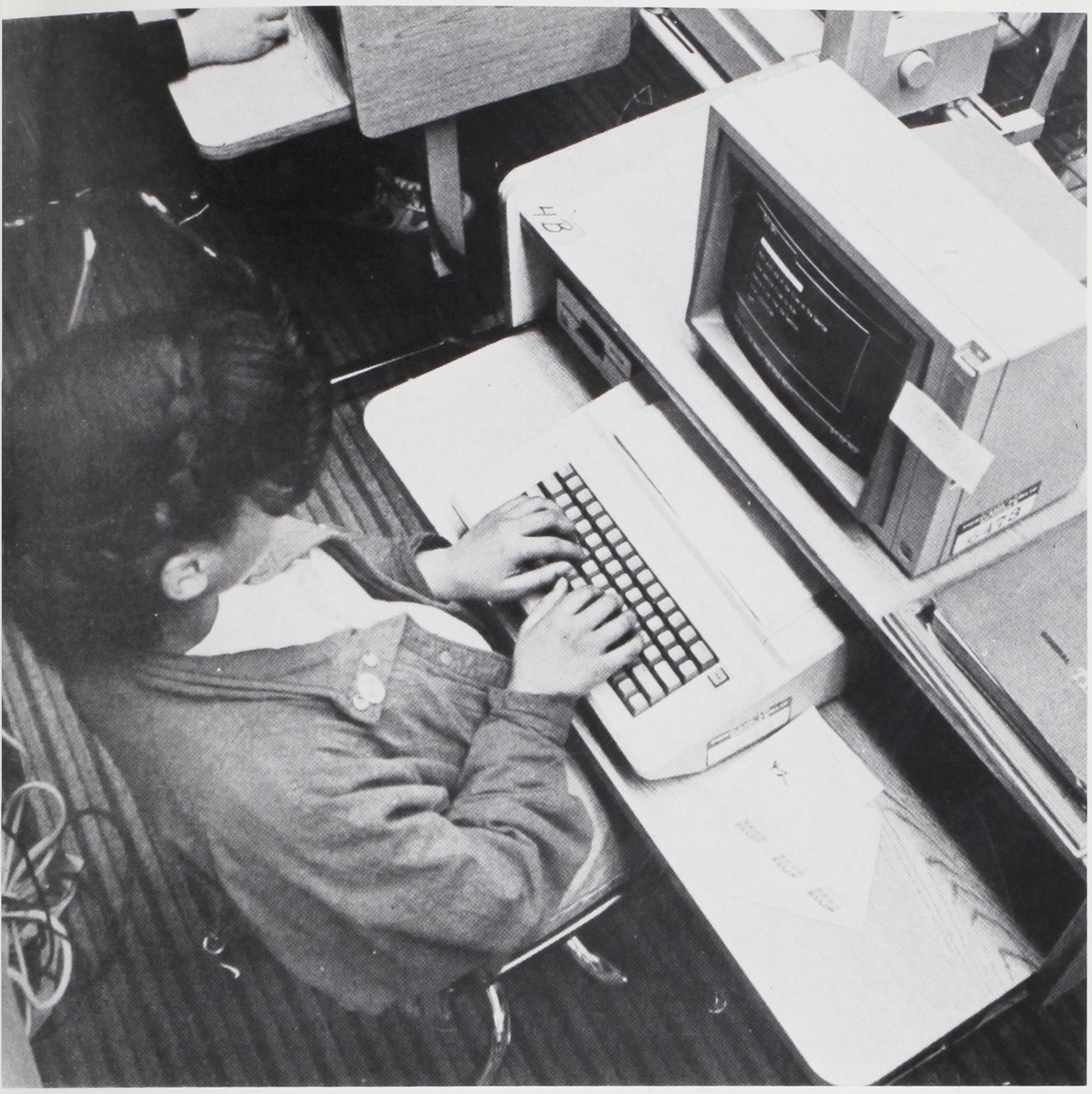


Sharon Woodard (10) reads the next command on her computer screen.

Travis Pierson (10) takes copy from the printer.







Ramay Lewis (10) works with a data processing program in Keyboarding.

In the computer room, Angela Granger (10) and Amy Asay (10) concentrate on their work while Mr. Jeff Spalding looks on.

. . . any problems?

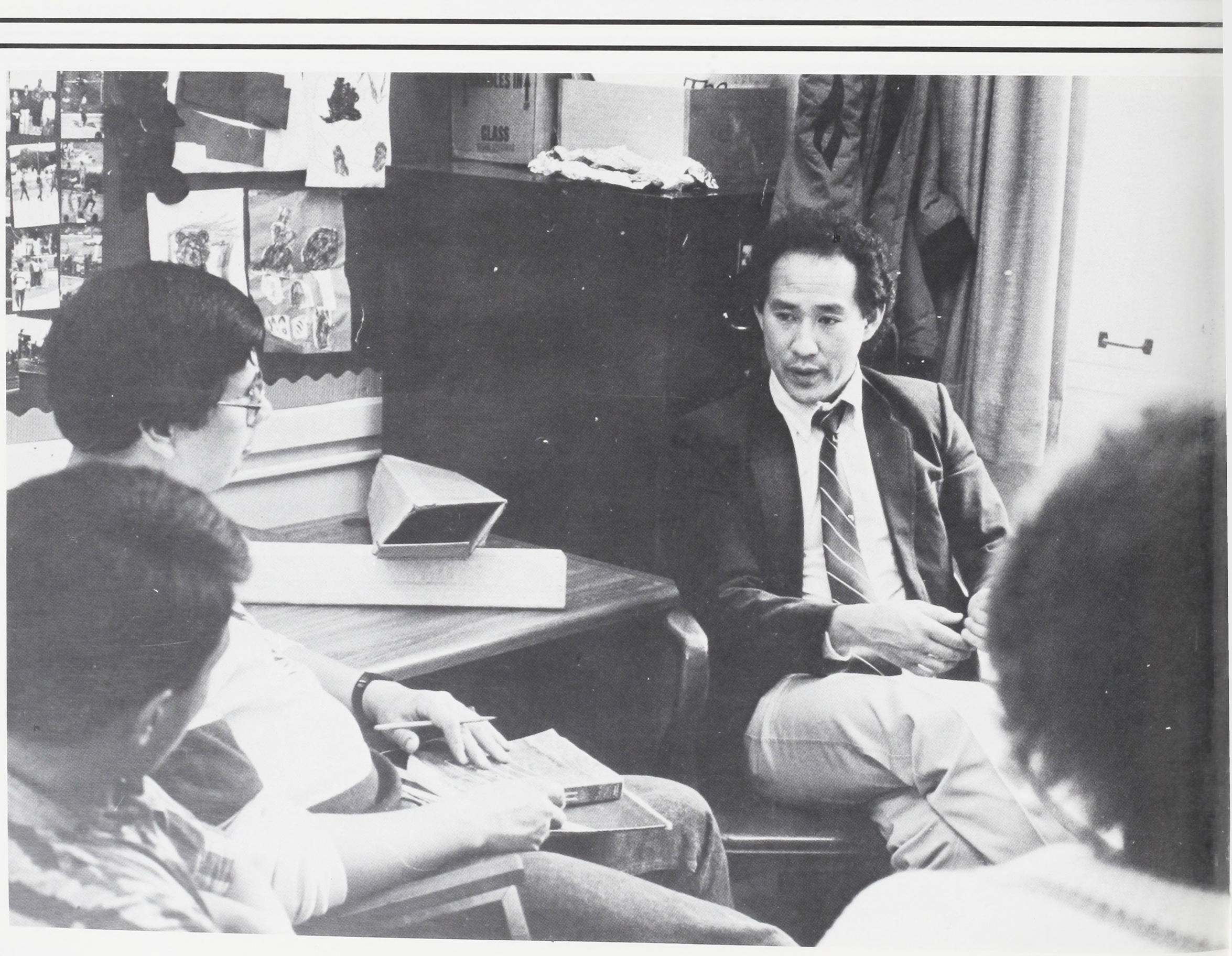
HELP IS ON THE WAY

Career Counseling, College Counseling, and the general counseling programs added to the options available for students.

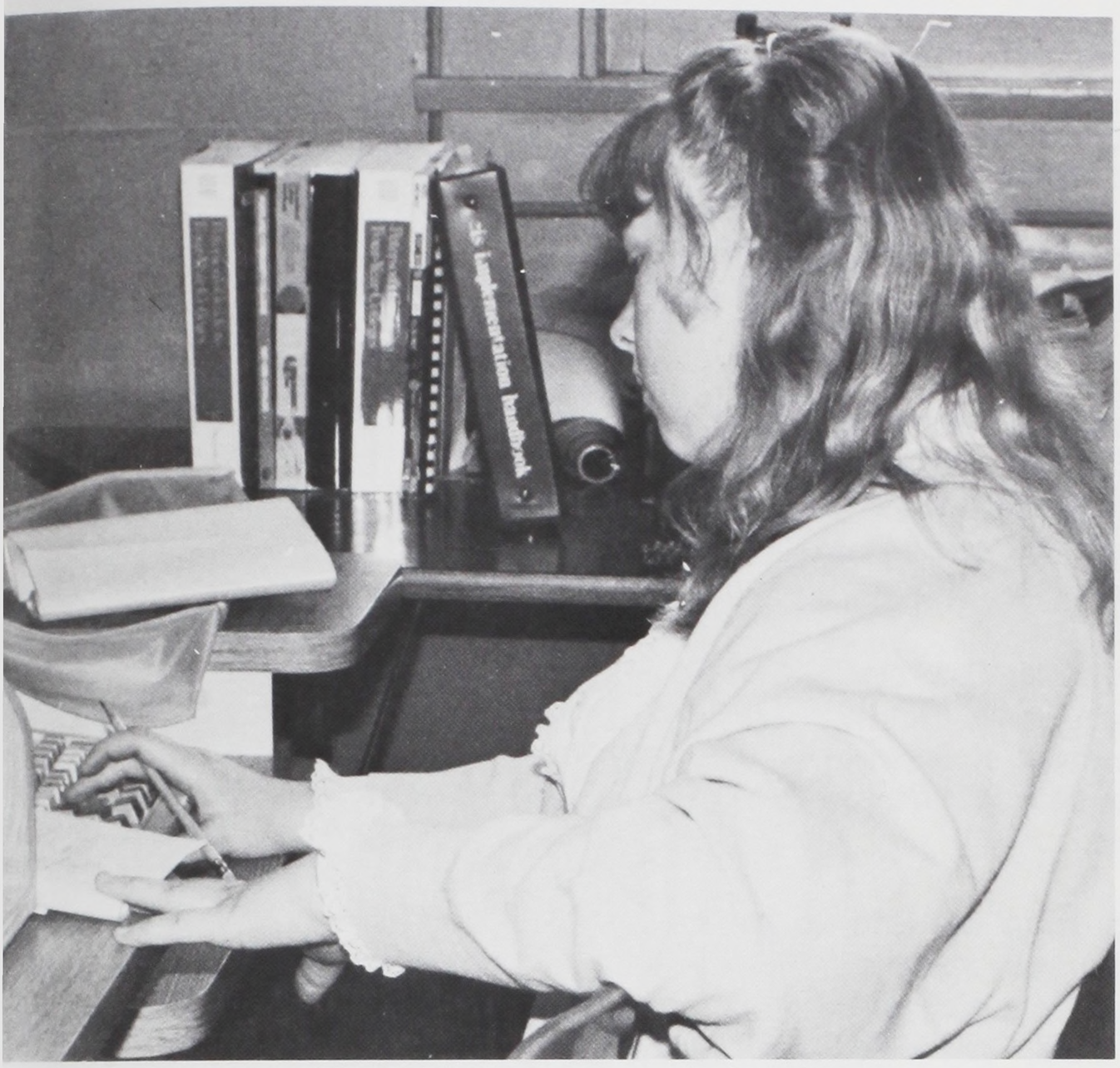
Many Benson students have found part time and after graduation full time jobs through the career counseling program. Mrs. Hopp, career counselor, helped students with job search, career search, and college search skills. "We get a lot of job information through this office," said Mrs. Hopp. "Employers are interested in Benson's students."

Mrs. Kris Iverson continued to expand the college program. In addition to visitations from college representatives, the November financial aide workshop, and ongoing help with college and scholarship applications, Mrs. Iverson presented for the first time an April Career Planning Workshop for juniors. Ishaq Shamsud-Din (11) said, "It's great to get a head start on a complicated process. The workshop was very helpful."

The counseling staff worked to organize services and to more effectively meet student needs. "We've tried to structure the counseling program to help students where they most need help," said Counselor John Vingelen:



Mr. John Vingelen checks over Eric Rogers (12) outdoor school application.



Using CIS, Sherry Wood (10) checks on an occupation in the career office.

Mrs. Bettye Hopp, career counselor, fills out a job referral.

(far left) Matt Kulu (12) and Dale Kim (12) discuss life on campus with the Oregon State University representative.

Jennifer Hathaway (10) talks with a representative from Western Business College.

. . . and the band played on

GRADUATE FOSTERS RENEWED HARMONY

Instructor Dan Foster Conducts.

Students join the band for a combination of reasons: to improve their skills, to have fun playing, to exhibit talent, or to be a part of Benson's growing spirit. This year it was a combination of all these reasons for most students.

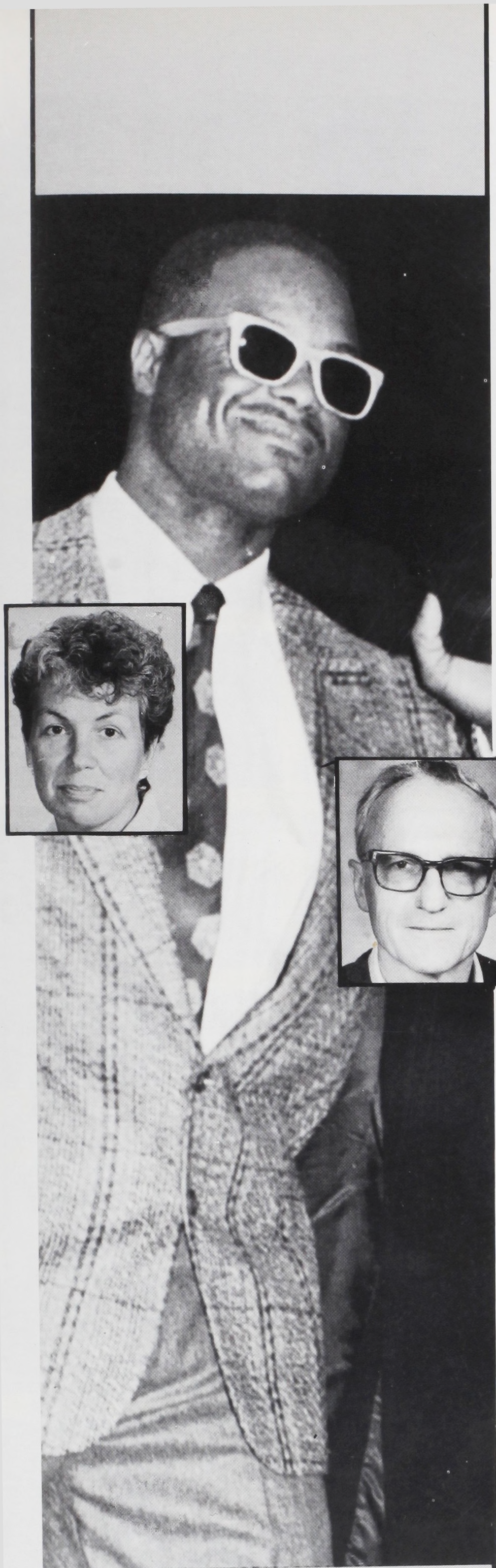
Benson's band had a new advisor, a new program, and a new attitude. The band participated in the Tech Show, a district-wide contest (solo and ensemble), the Starlight Parade, and the 1988 graduation.

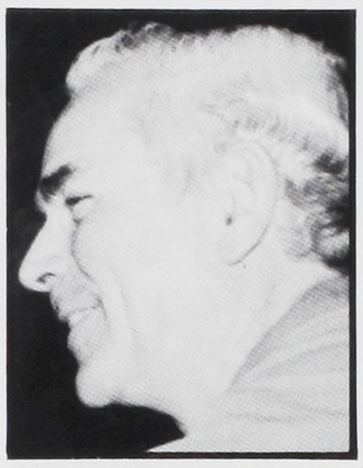
The new instructor, Dan Foster, a 1975 Benson graduate, came back because of his "great enjoyment of Benson." He said he would make the band, "The best it can be — the best ever.

Eventhough chorus was cut from the music program this year, students fell confident. "This should be a great season. We've improved so much," said Mark Duplessie (12) member of the band for four years.

Playing flutes are Becky McKenna (11) and Terri Blackman (10).

With his baritone, Dayn Anderson (10) practices during class.





FACULTY

New to Benson, Mr. Fred Jackson assumed the role of administrative vice principal. Training, dedication, and hard work have helped him to achieve his goals thus far.

When not monitoring attendance or meeting our discipline he is advisor to the Key Club keeping its members in touch with the needs of the community. Mr. Jackson said he would like to see, "Benson students the most successful in the state and the school the cleanest in the city."

Mr. Jackson is formerly from Albany, New York and served twenty years in the military before coming to Oregon in 1972. He received his backelor's and master's in Oregon and has taught special education students and sixth grade classes. Before coming to Benson Mr. Jackson worked at the Student Transfer Office.

When asked what he liked best about his job his answer was immediate and sincere, "working with kids."

IN FOCUS

Tom Parr
Principal

Carol Matarazzo
Curriculum Vice Principal

Dave Williams
Shop Vice Principal

Fred Jackson
Administrative Vice Principal

Bruce Plato
Administrative Assistant

Heidi Anderson
Mathematics
Michael Atterberry
Automotive
Michael Ball
Mathematics

Gary Beck
Engineer Drawing
John Bergan
Social Studies
Dwight Berning
English/Journalism

Karen Brugger
English
Carlton Bryson
Mathematics
Wesley Burch
Machine Shop

Sarah Callahan
Social Studies
Bart Chase
Science
John Conway
Graphic Communications

June Conway
Health Occupations
Ron Currier
Building Construction
Bill Dressel
Health/P.E.

Jean Eames
Science
Don Emry
Counselor
Norma Faulkner
English

Doris Fong
Librarian
Robert Franz
Science
Betty Garner
Social Studies

Del Gerber
Science
Dick Gray
Personal Finance
Ron Grosjean
Architecture

Betty Jenkins
Head Secretary
Shirley Bankston
Bookeeper
Suzanne Berg
Counseling Secretary
Jerry Davis
Stockroom Clerk

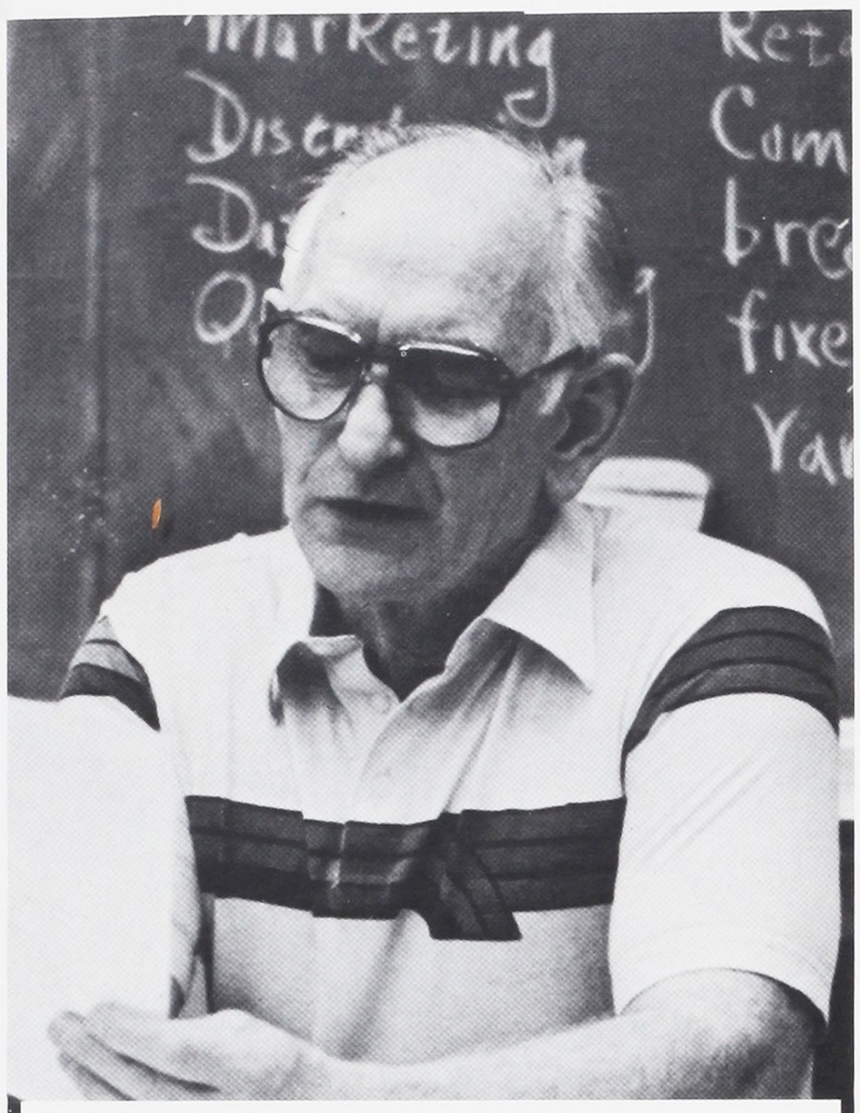
Mr. Bruce Higby, a man with a variety of skills, gives both his time and talent to Benson. He teaches Senior Automotive Machine, Industrial Diseal, and Freshman Transformation.

How important is automotive? Mr. Higby responded, "All things roll on wheels. Automotive is the largest related industry in the United States. There should be a 38% increase in jobs in the next five years." He works with drug recovery students and students in risk groups. In addition, he is on the steering commitee for Benson.

In his spare time, he likes to scuba dive, ski, and run.

Mr. Higby graduated from Benson in 1963. He worked ten years in the industry, and then began teaching at Benson in 1973. Currently, he's working for his bachelor of science degree.

IN FOCUS



Mr. Dick Gray, the Personal Finance teacher, is the kind of instructor students remember their whole lives. He is known for interweaving stories and jokes into his teaching.

Born in Portland, Mr. Gray attended Roosevelt High School and Oregon State University. He also served a year and a half in the army after World War II.

Mr. Gray has taught thirty years, all of those at Benson. He has taught P.E., Health, and coached basketball. He has also done counseling for twenty five years. This is his third year teaching Personal Finance.

But Mr. Gray's first love is basketball. He has a basketball camp in Hawaii where he has been coaching every summer since 1973 and is writing a book called Fast Break Practices.

IN FOCUS

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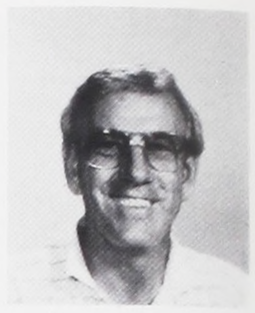
Resource Center

James Hamilton
English

Robert Hanley
Metal Fabrication



John Harlan
Science

Charles Harris
Keyboarding

James Harrison
Social Studies

Thomas Herring
Fluid Power

Kenneth Hershberger
Electric

David Hewitt
Graphic Arts

Bruce Higby
Automotive

Robin Hill
Pattern/Foundry

Amelie Holmstrom
Foreign Language

William Hryciw
Social Studies

William Hughes
Foreign Language

Von Hunter
Automotive

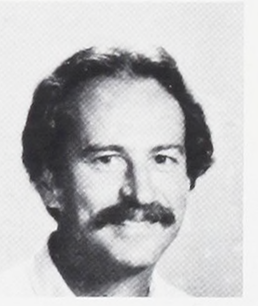
William Irgens
Electronics

Kris Iverson
Counselor

Robert Jeffrey
Electronics

Hiroshi Katayama
Machine Shop

Miehael Kelly
Communications



Fred Kimura
Automotive

Thomas Kingsbury
Aviation

Michael Kostbra
Social Studies/Ath. Director

Jacqueline Legat
Health Occupations

Vi Donkel
Secretary

Jean Frazier
Secretary

Terry Gerber
Study Skill Aide

Carol Grasvik
Secretary

Betty Hannan
Attendance Secretary

Michael Lemon
Mathematics
Kathy Lloyd
Health occupations
Margaret Machado
Health Occupations

Ben Markin
Science
Leon McKenzie
Integration Specialist Coordinator
Stuart McNeil
Health/P.E.

Michael Mechling
Mathematics
Vern Melvin
Health/P.E.
Claudia Miller
Science

Harry Nachtigall
Mathematics
Brenda Nelson
English
David Nelson
Social Studies

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Cathy Peterson
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Rick Ramsey
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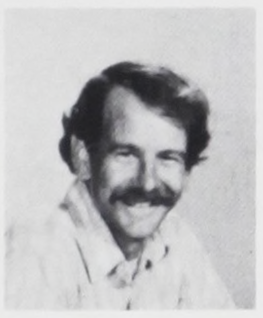


William Ranta
Health/P.E.
Robert Reeves
Science
Fred Rogers
English

Robert Rodgers
Science
Judy Roeske
Keyboarding
Kim Rowland
Mathematics

Sue Hollenbeck
Secretary
Betty Hoppe
Career Center Secretary
Sharon Killoran
Secretary
Judy McNeil
Library Assistant
Dorothy Milo
Secretary

Shirley Bankston said her job was, "Like putting a puzzle together." She is busy each day writing checks, paying bills, collecting money, and accounting money for fund raisers and athletic events. Why? Because Mrs. Bankston is the bookeeper. She also enjoys her job because she comes into contact with many different people.

Mrs. Bankston is from Portland and attended Lincoln High School. After school she got her start in bookeeping at a music store. She has worked as the bookeeper since 1985 but first came to Benson as the book clerk in 1982. Before coming to Benson Mrs. Bankston was the bookeeper at Jackson High School. Mrs. Bankston's plans for the future are to continue working at Benson.

IN FOCUS

What teacher was born in Austria, is one of triplets, and danced with the Vienna Opera Ballet? What teacher is currently president of a company specializing in unique clothing and accessories? Mrs. Holmstrom.

This year with Mrs. Holmstrom as school chairman, Benson High School raised an outstanding amount of over $3,000 for the United Way Campaign. Amelie Holmstrom joined the faculty in 1985. She teaches first year French and first and second year German. In addition to regular academic classes she inspires her students to use and enjoy the language they're learning with unusual activities that also help students understand the cultures. They have an opportunity to sample ethnic foods, hear music from other countries and gain valuable experience expressing themselves through theatrical productions in French and German.

Her own interests in art, music, ballet, literature, psychology, and philosophy have undoubtedly influenced her teaching methods, her enthusiasm, and the involvement with which she undertakes her professions. As Mrs. Holmstrom said, "A lukewarm commitment to any cause is unsatisfactory. That goes double for teaching."

IN FOCUS

Muareen Scally
English

Della Schiebold
Science

Earl Schrader
Counselor

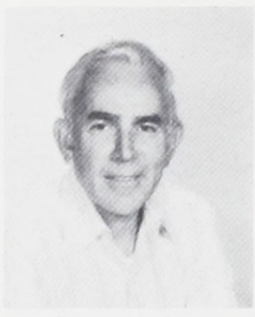
Robert Schroeder
Social Studies

Patrick Selman
Mathematics

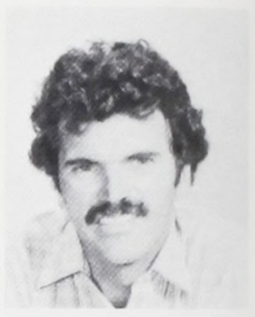
Robert Sinclair
Electronics

Ray Slebos
Mathematics

David Small
Photography



Jeffery Spalding
Mathematics/Computers



Bob Stuart
Building Construction

Kenneth Surbrook
Technical Drafting

Ed Thiringer
Machine Technology

Alma Thompson
English

Howard Thompson
Science

John Vingelen
Counselor

Victor Vinje
Metal Fabrication

Fred Vogel
Electric

Marie Wachlin
English

Gerald Waterbury
Plastics

Judith Westerman
English

Merlin White
Science

Gwen Whitmore
English

Fred Wong
Technical Drawing

Dan Foster
Band

Kay Sharpe
Study Skills Aide

Jan Penning
Secretary

Ruth Turler
Nurse

Claudia Walland
Secretary

HRYCIW OFFERS REASONS FOR CHANGE

After thirty three and a half years of teaching Mr. Hryciw, a Government and Economics teacher is retired. Mr. Hryciw said that Benson's approach in the vocational area has changed dramatically since he has been here. He said that now the emphasis is not as much on vocational training as on surveying a vocational area. Mr. Hryciw also believes that the enforcement of discipline codes became more slack because society's expectations for young people change. He felt that the school's policies reflected society's attitudes.

Mr. Hryciw was born and raised in Portland. He served in the military during World War II and the Korean War. After he retires Mr. Hryciw would like to go fishing, travel, do woodworking, and work as a substitute teacher.

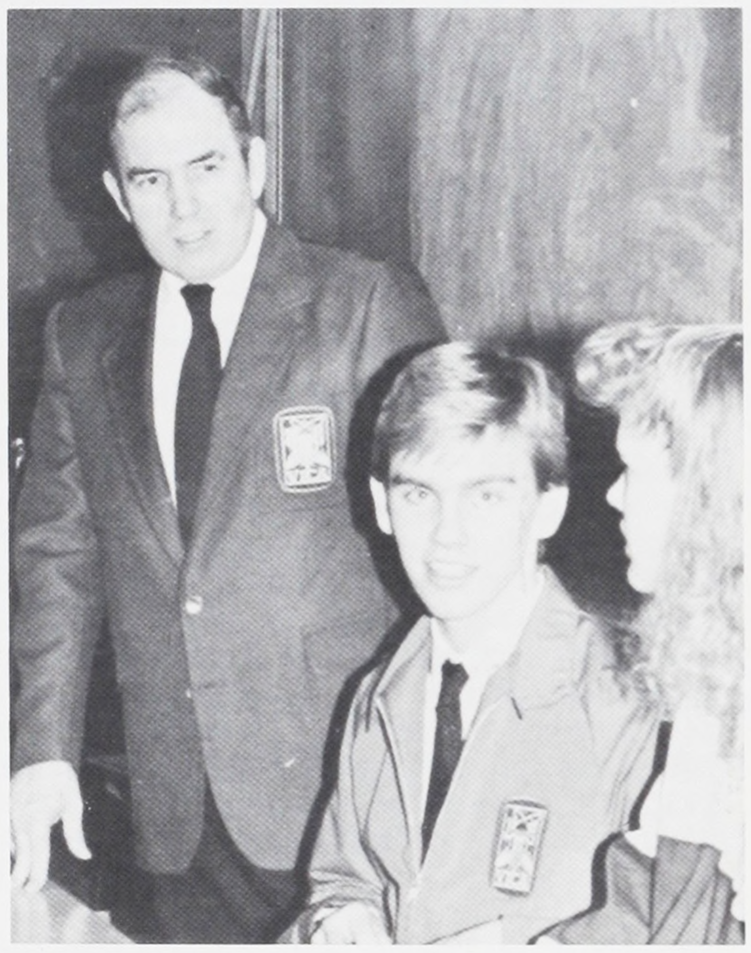
CAFETERIA WORKERS, TOP: Mary Weise, Becky Siedler, Shirlen Jensen, Mary Ellen Humble, Katie Baker, Pauleen Planer; Bottom; Mary Jane Copeland, Dottie Beres, and Vicki Bailey.

JANITORS: Thomas Edwards, Ron Cox, Audrey Pray, and Tom West.

TEACHERS DOING TIME

Many talented and dedicated Benson teachers not only do an exceptional job teaching, but also put in hours before and after school helping students. Their time makes it possible for many student activities such as OSSOM, VICA, HOSA, and student government to exist.

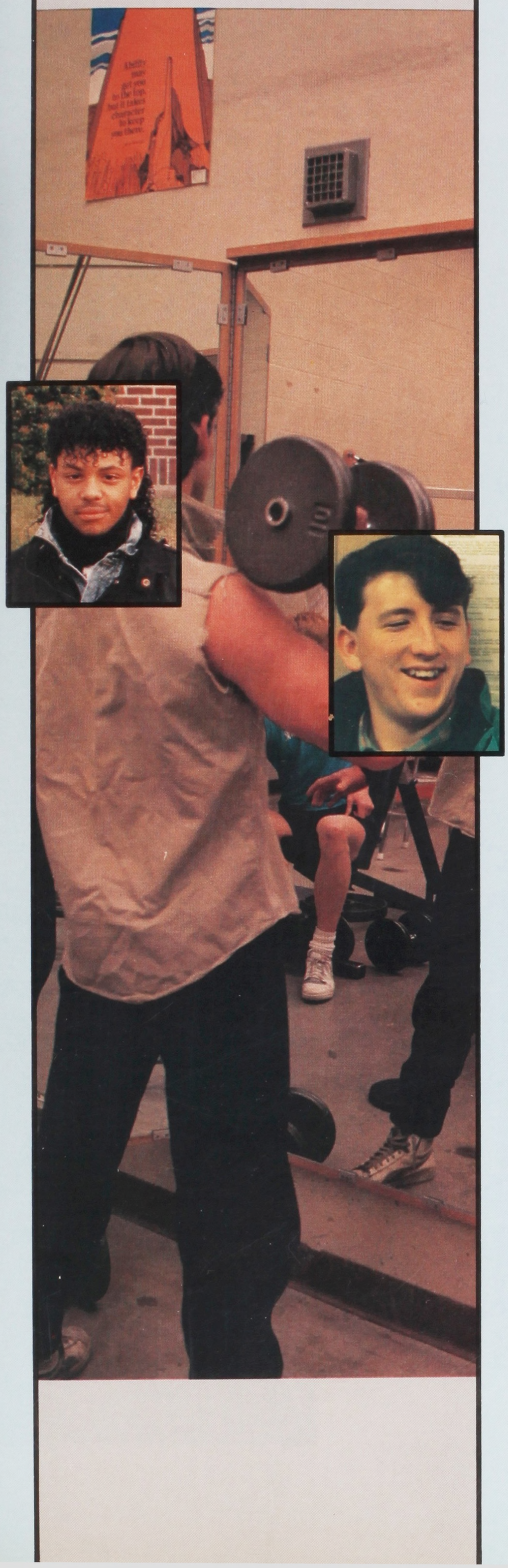
Mr. Jeffery with Dan Zuckerman (12) discuss upcoming VICA activities.



Mrs. Hoppe from the Career Counseling Center helps students find jobs and investigate different careers.

Mr. Stuart, student activity director, waits to speak to student body at an assembly.

Mrs. Brugger with Brian Ripley (11), Lance Waldrop (10) Oshannah Gillis (12), and Sheri Chandler (12) at a OSSOM meeting.



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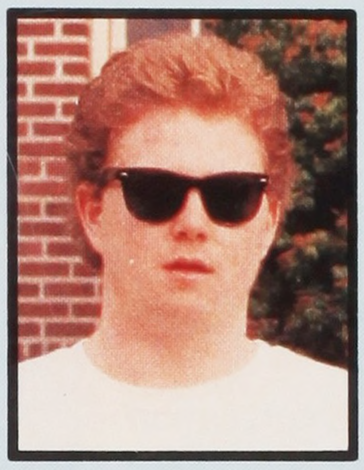

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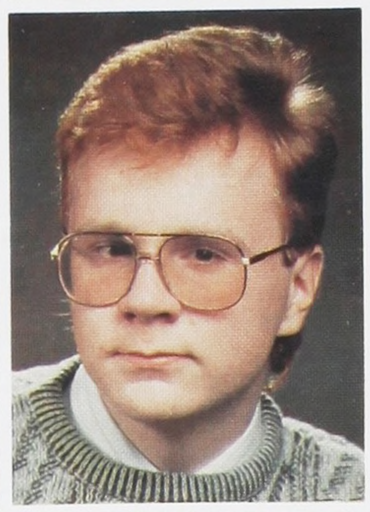
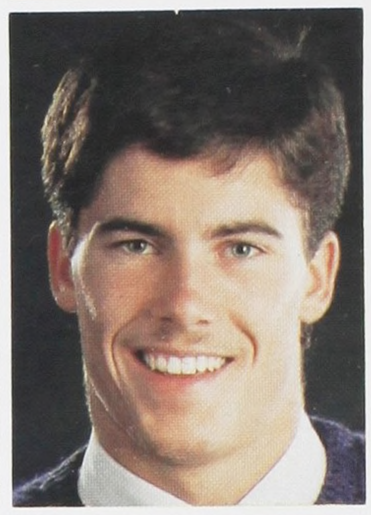
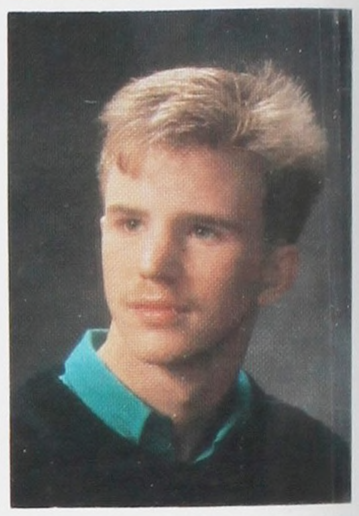

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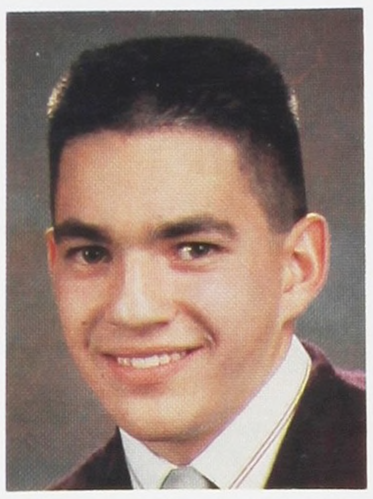

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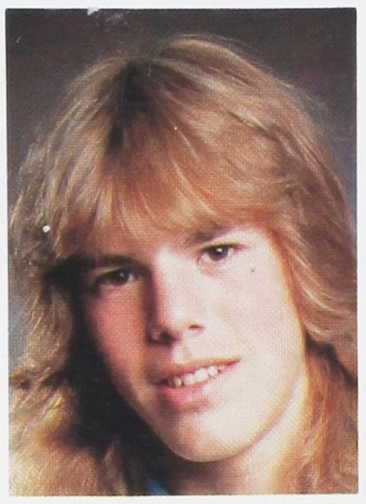
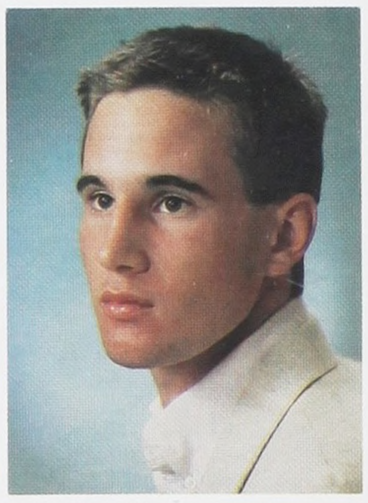
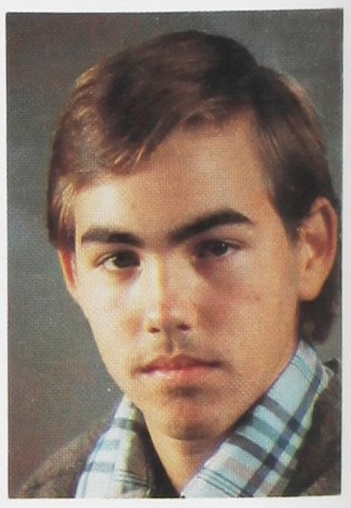

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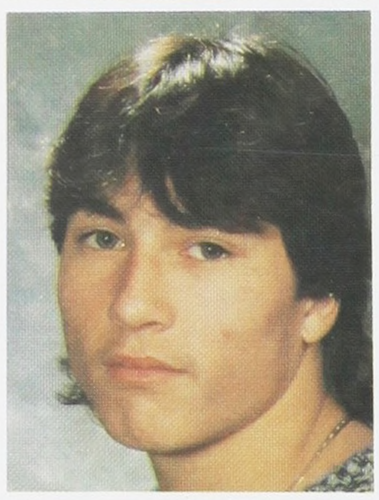

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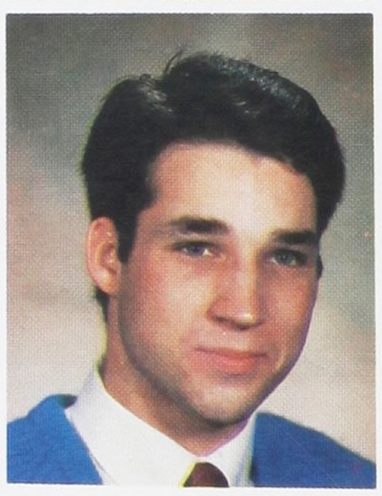

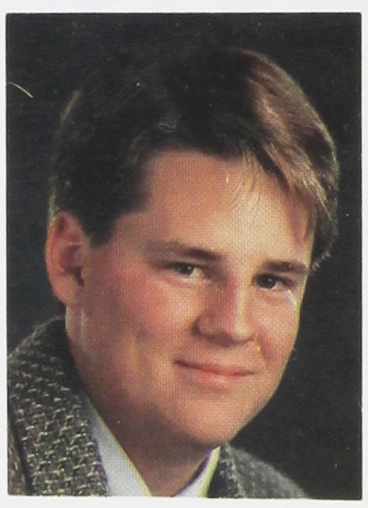
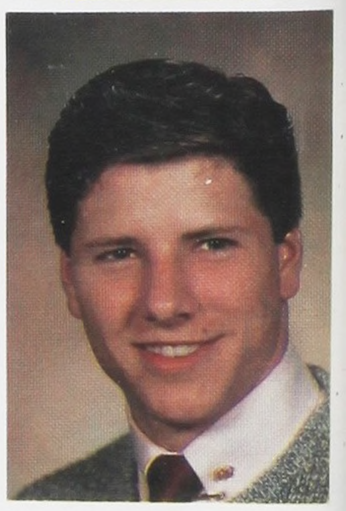

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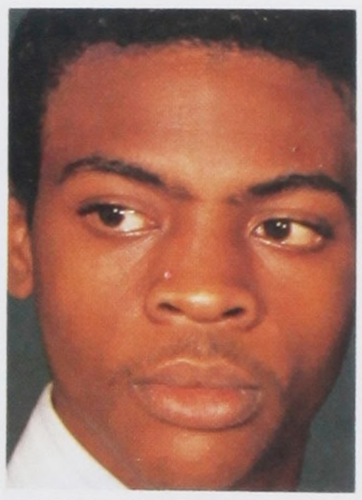

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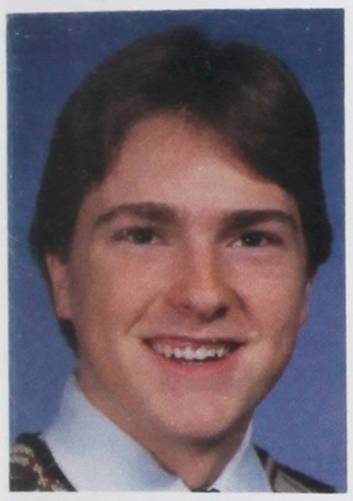

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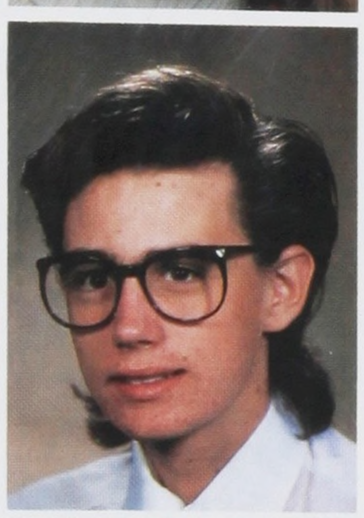

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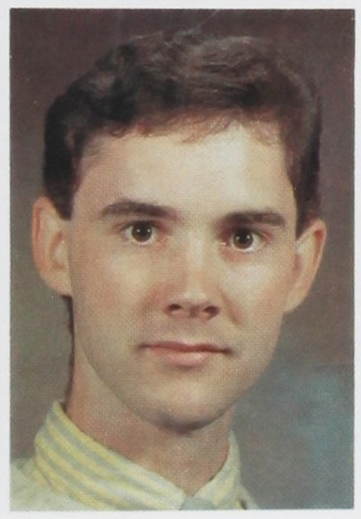

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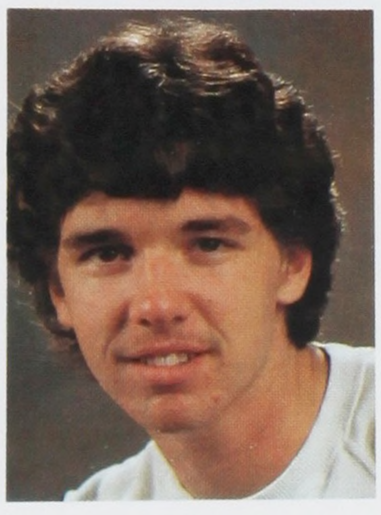

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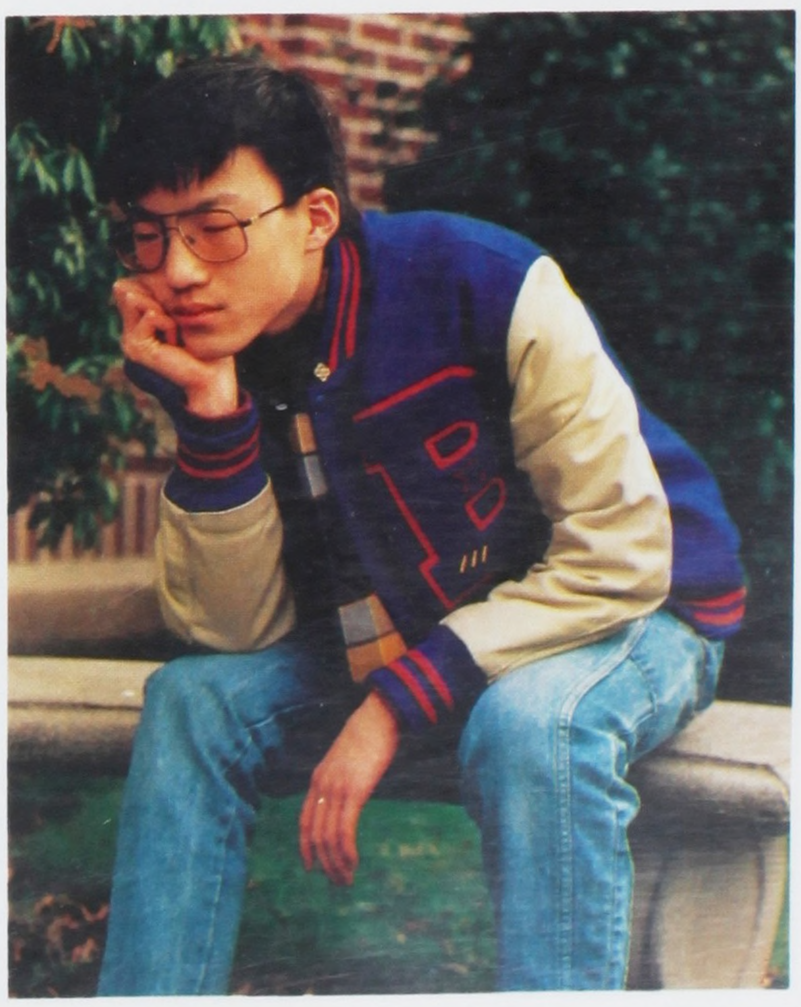

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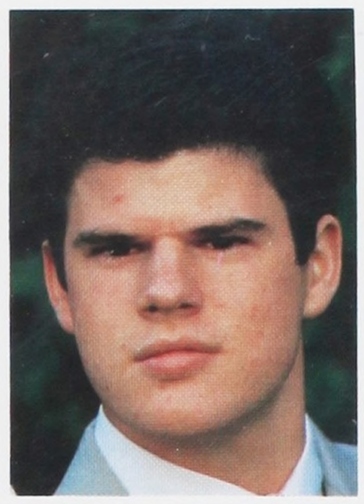
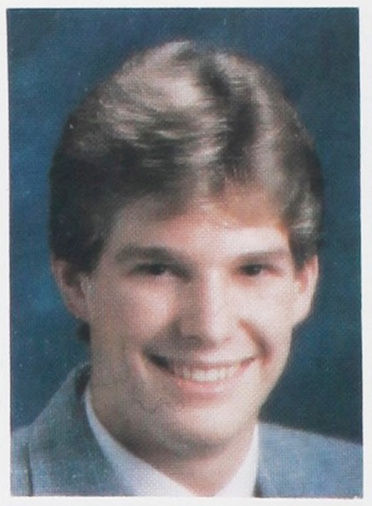
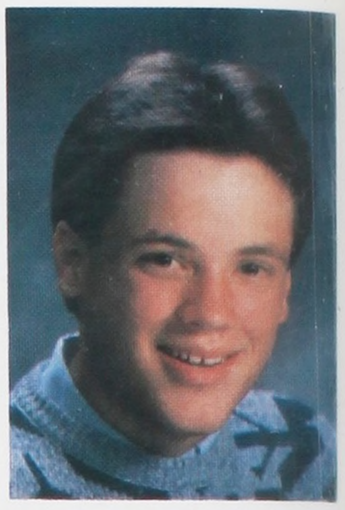

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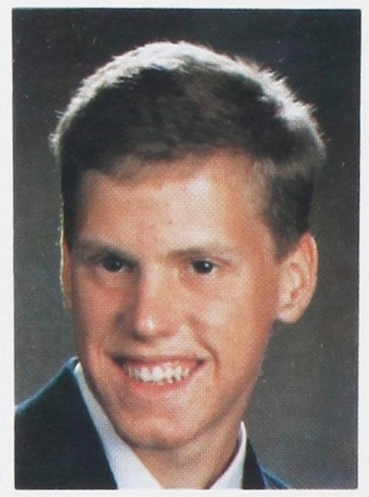
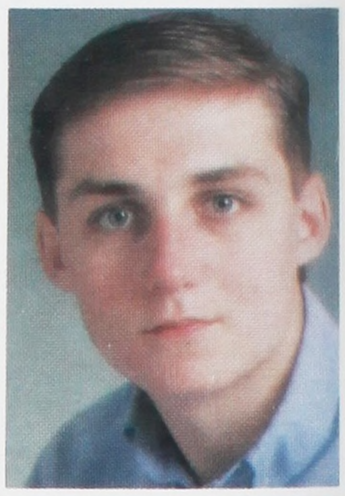

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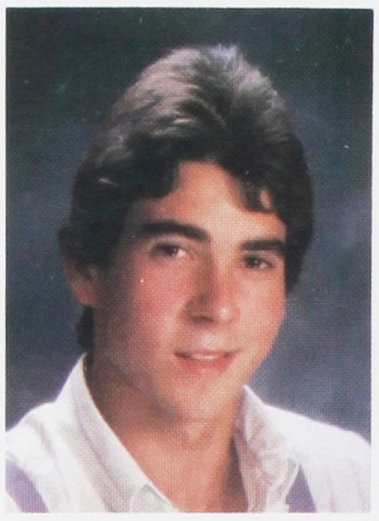

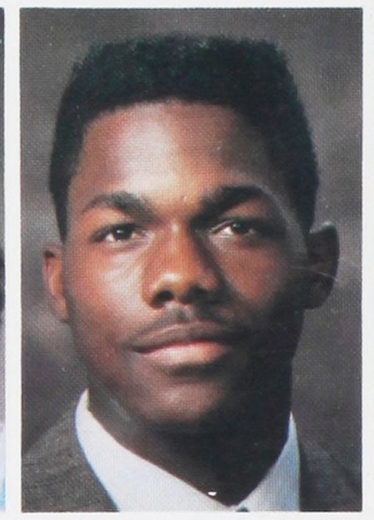

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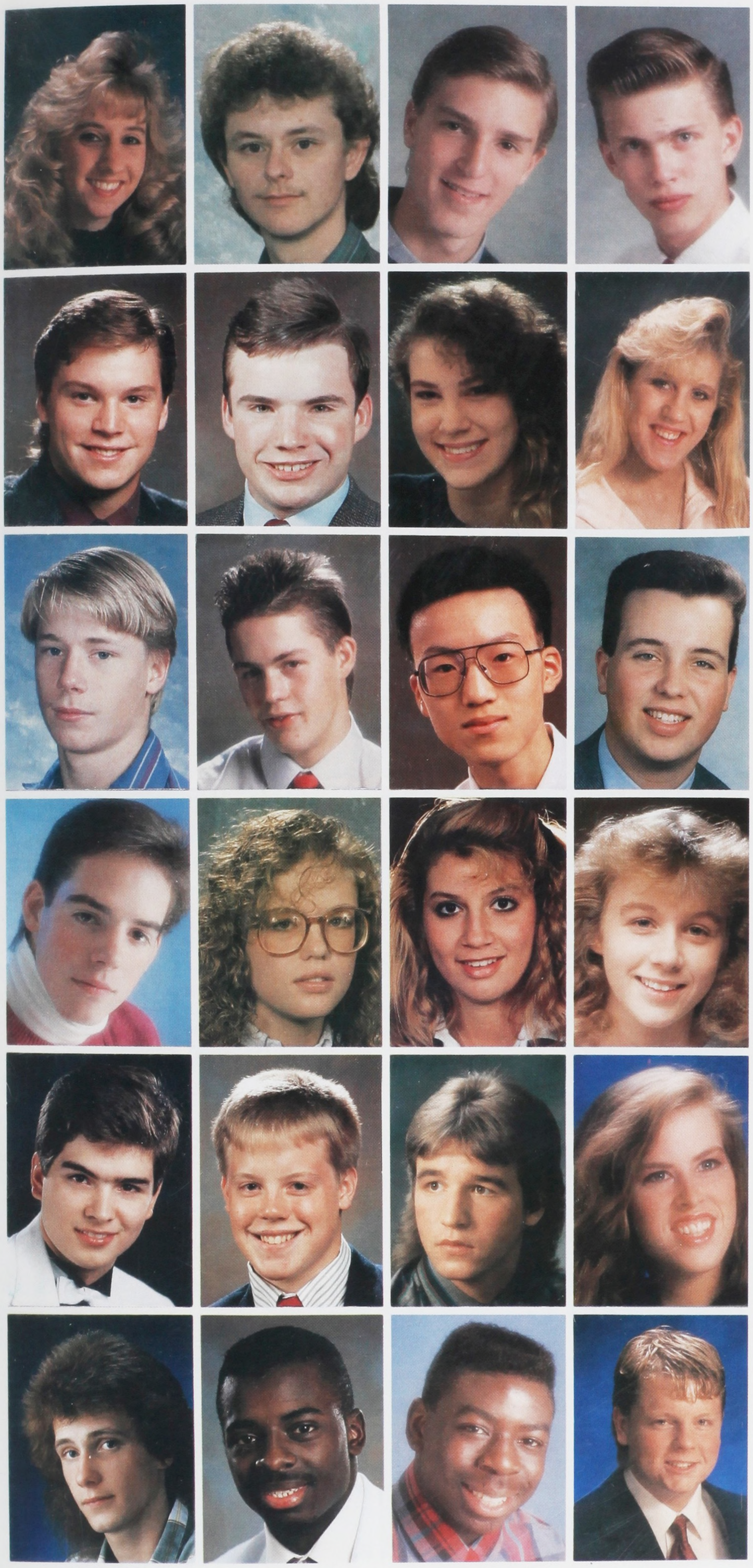

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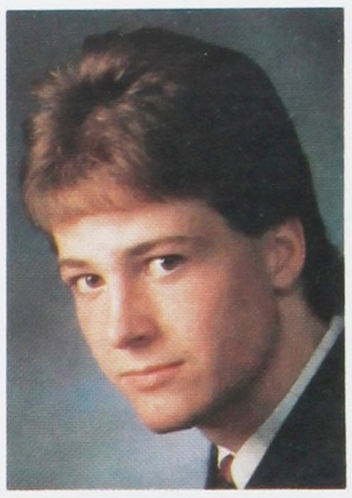
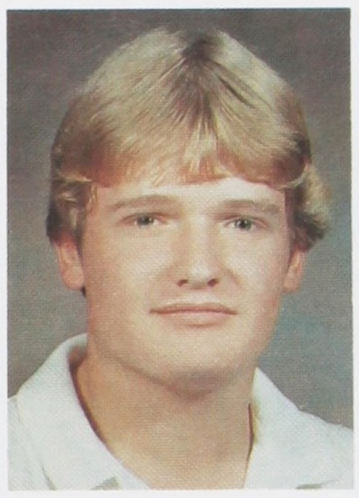

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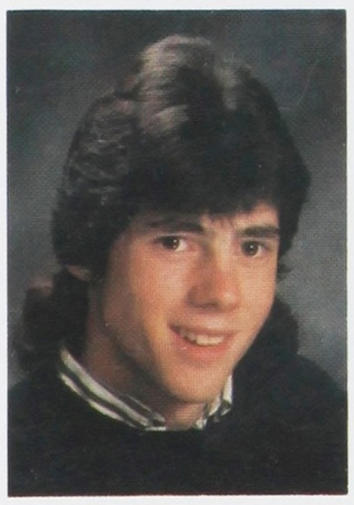

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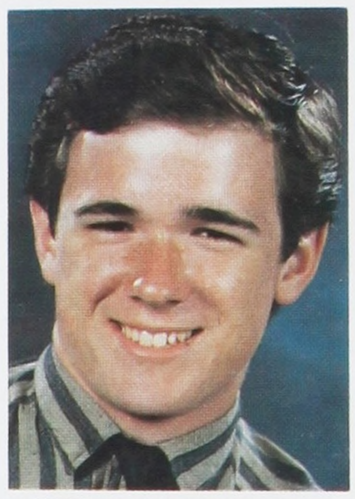

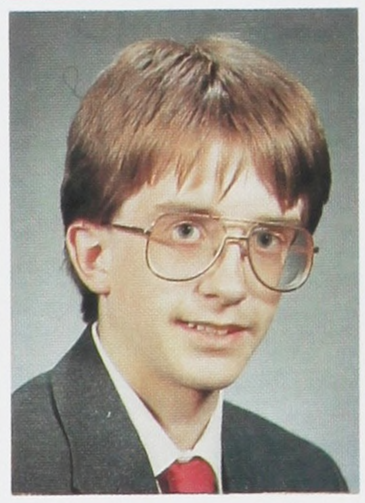

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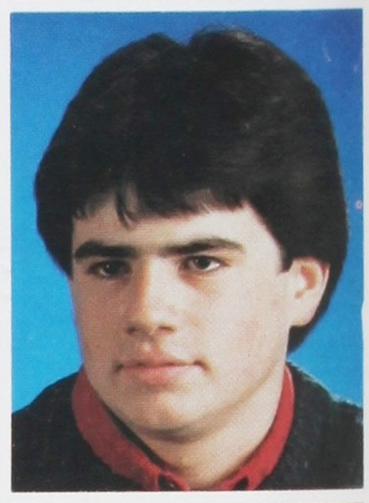

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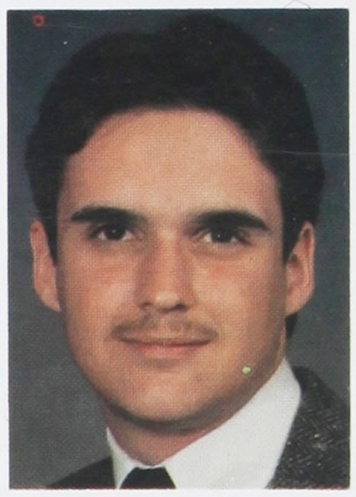
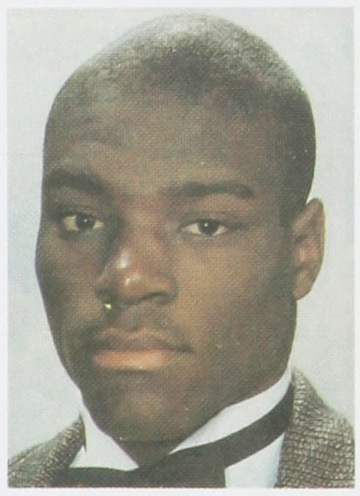

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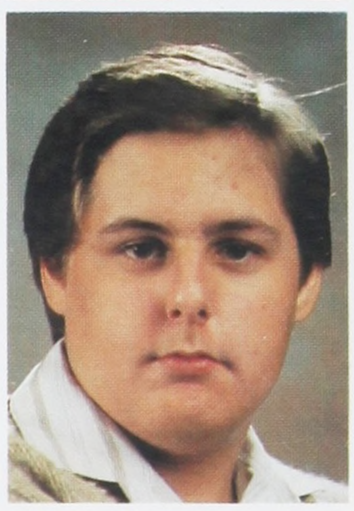

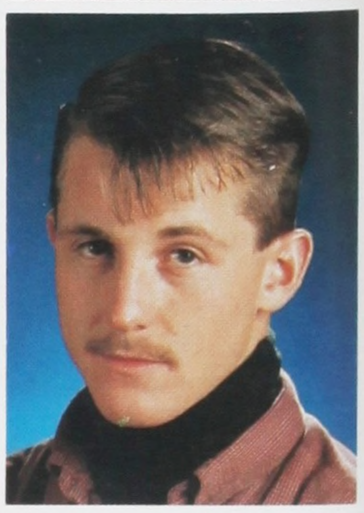

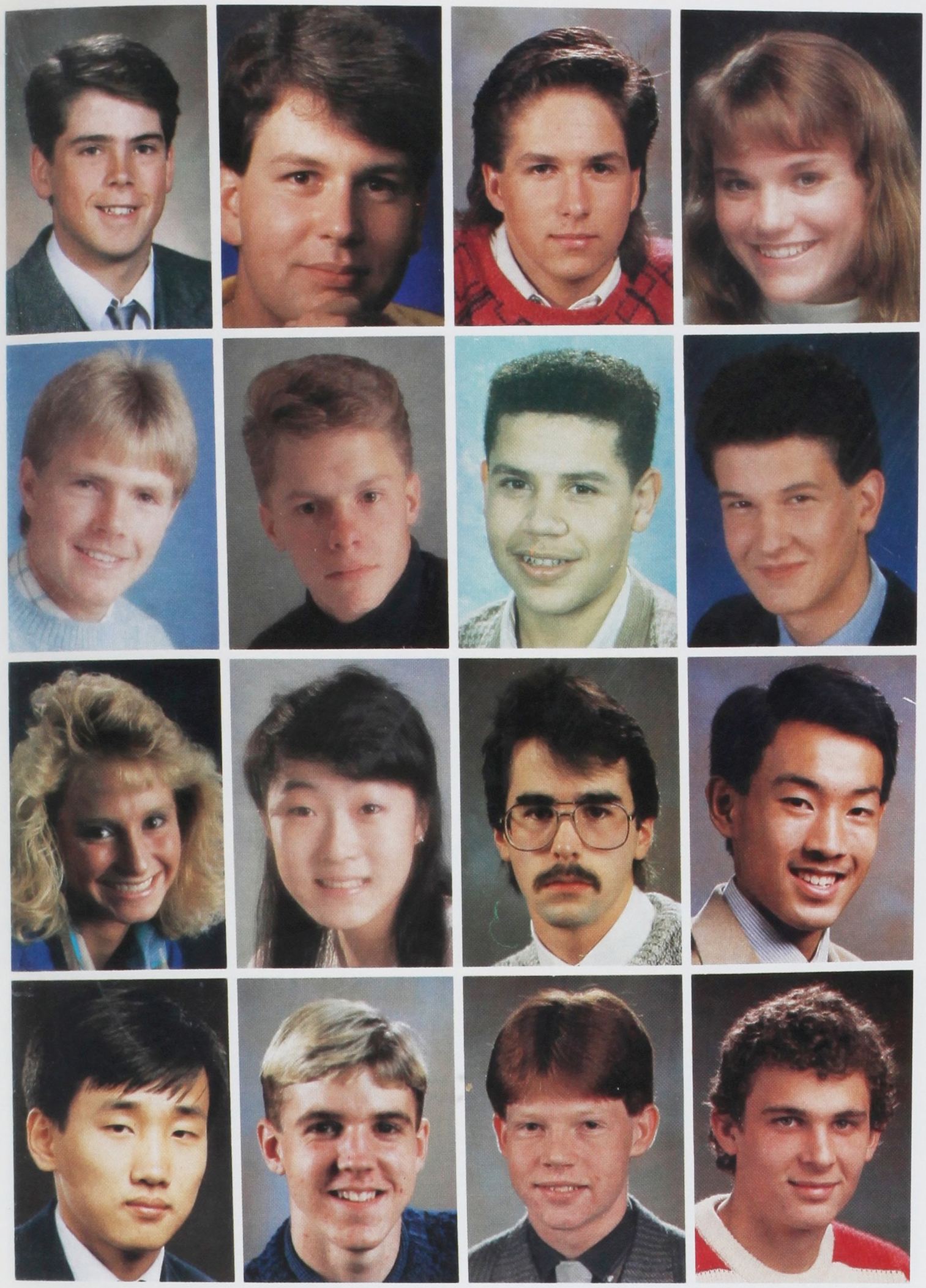

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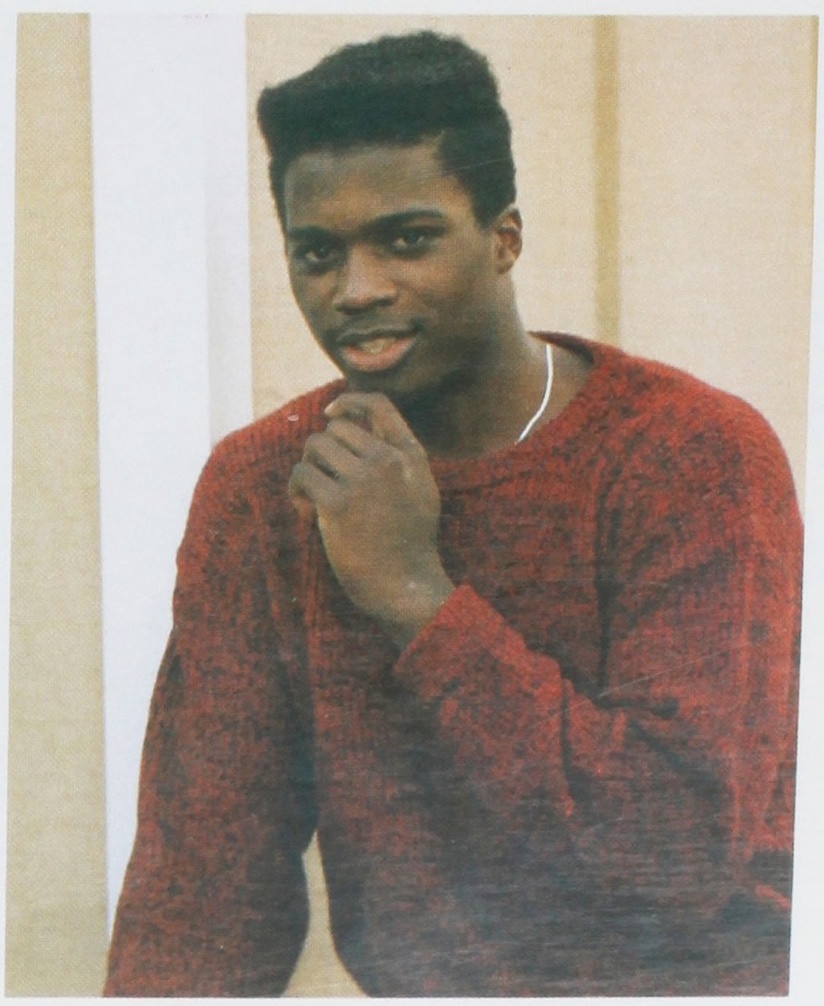

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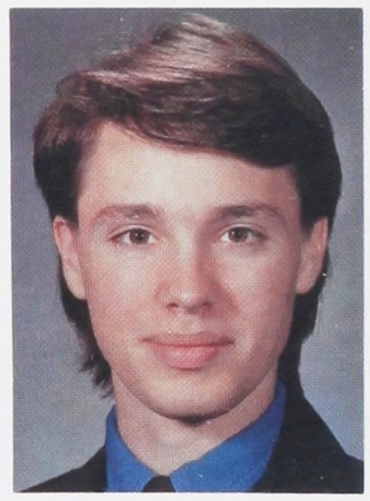

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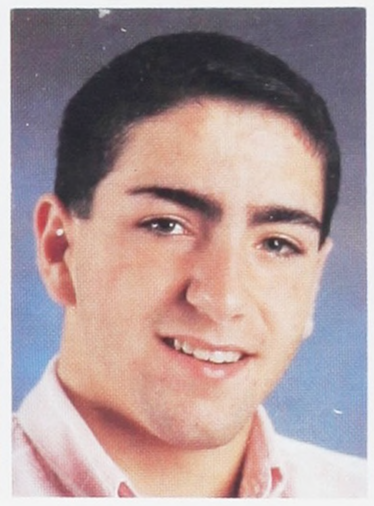

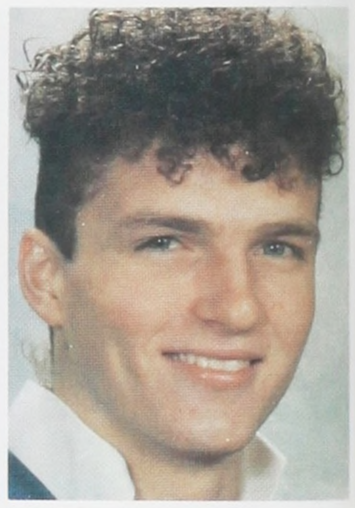

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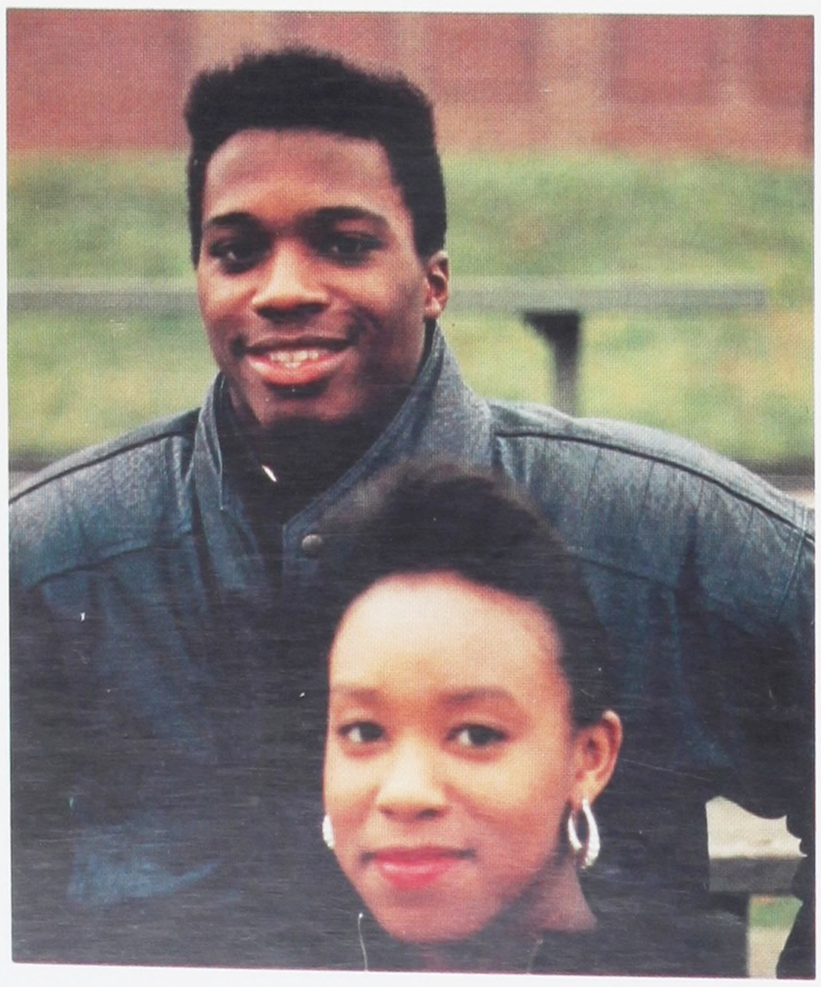

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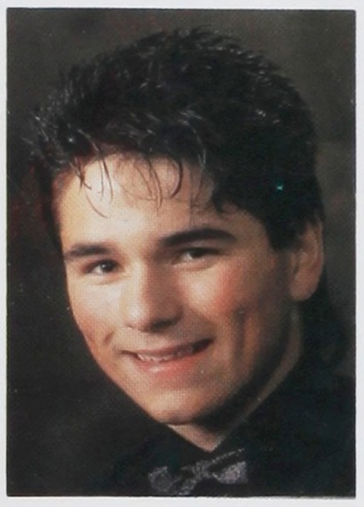
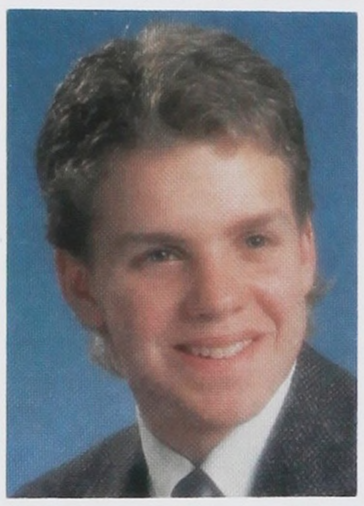
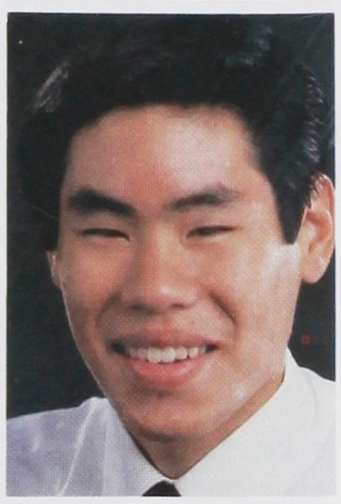

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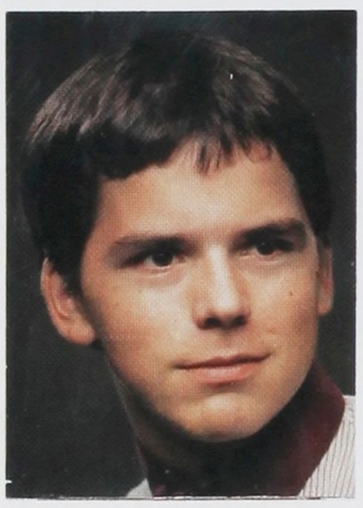

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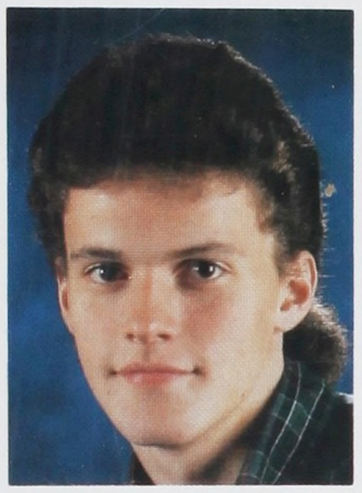
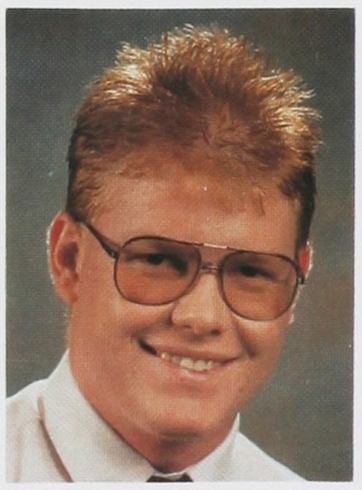
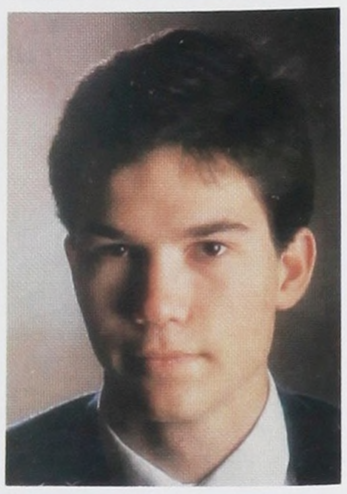

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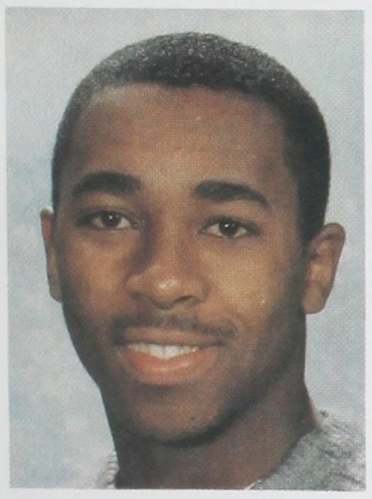
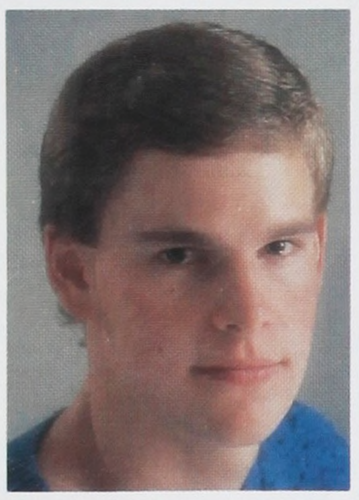

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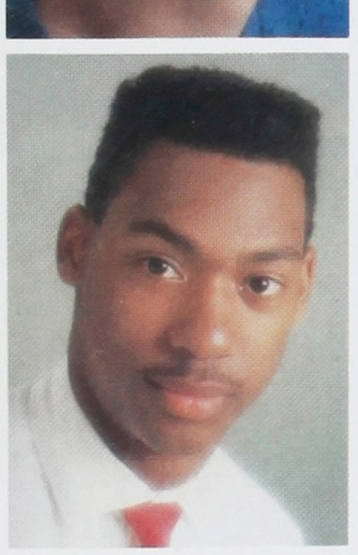
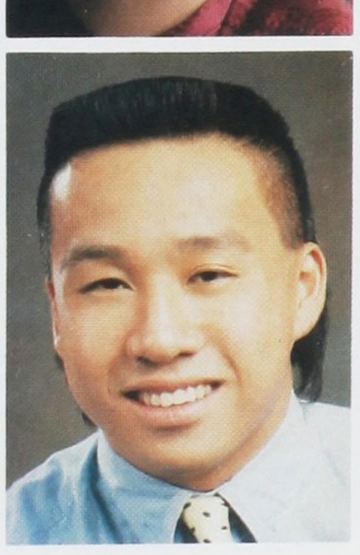

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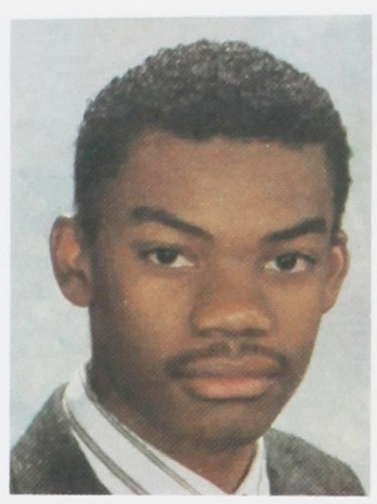

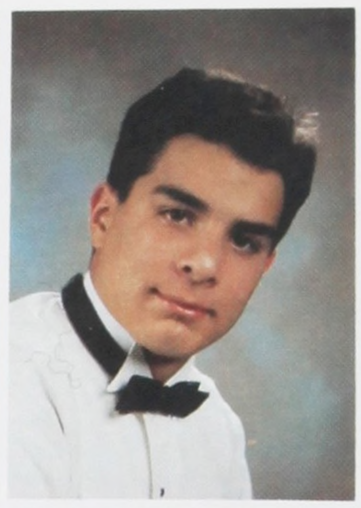

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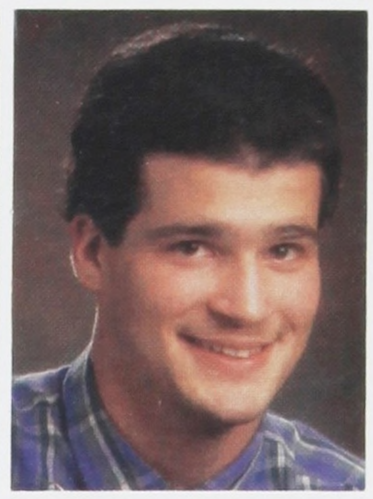

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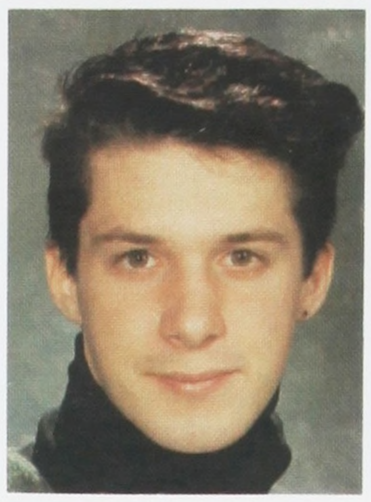

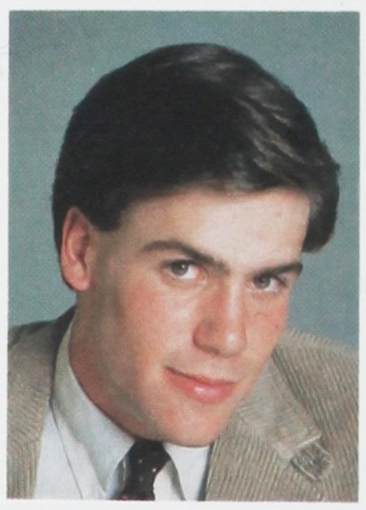
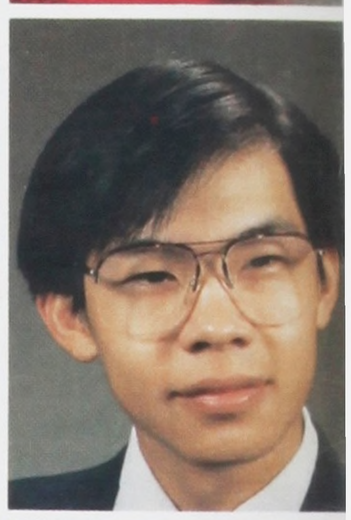

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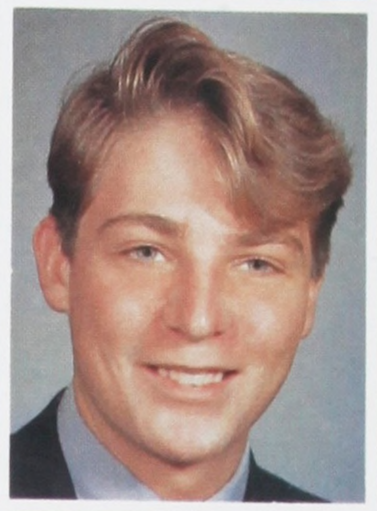
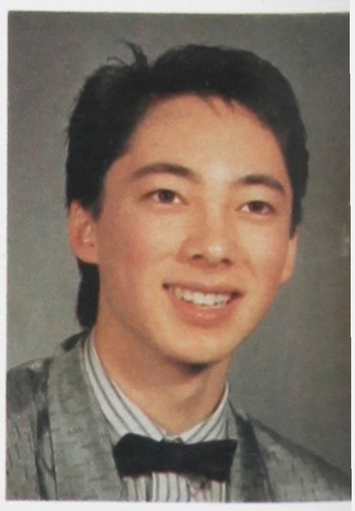

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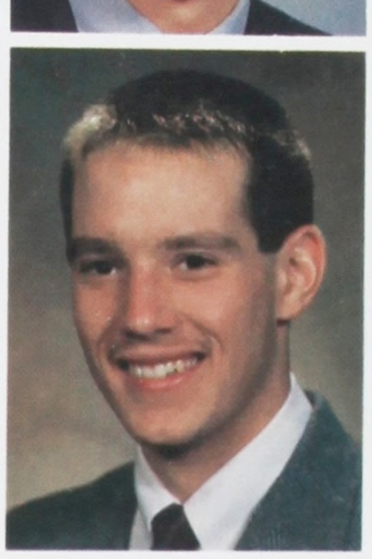

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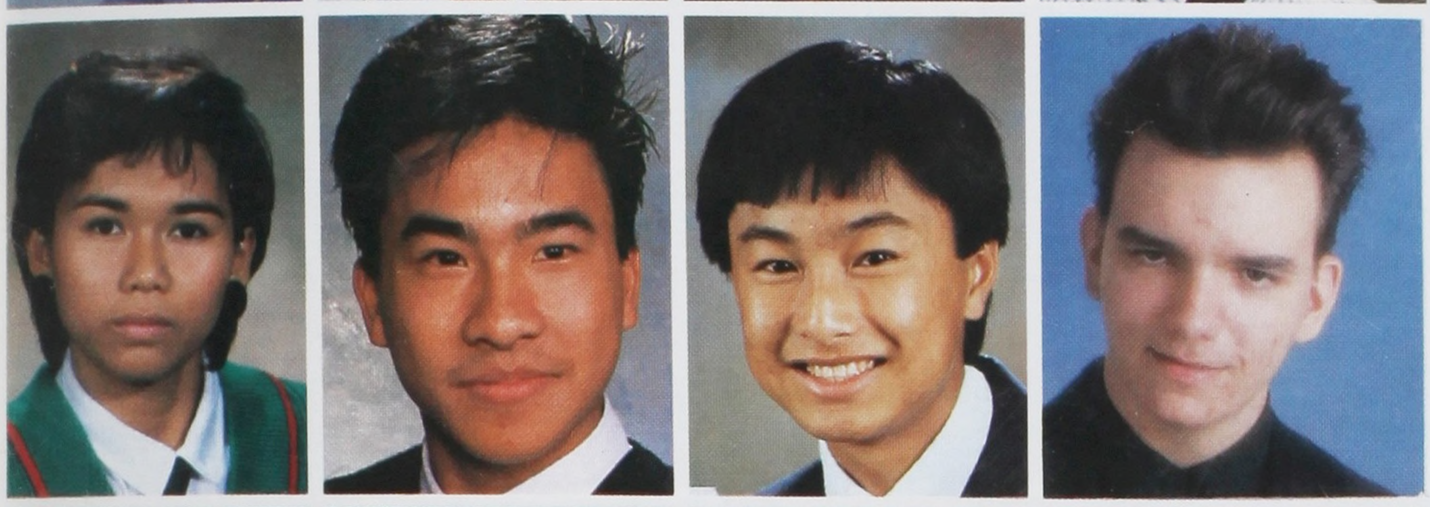

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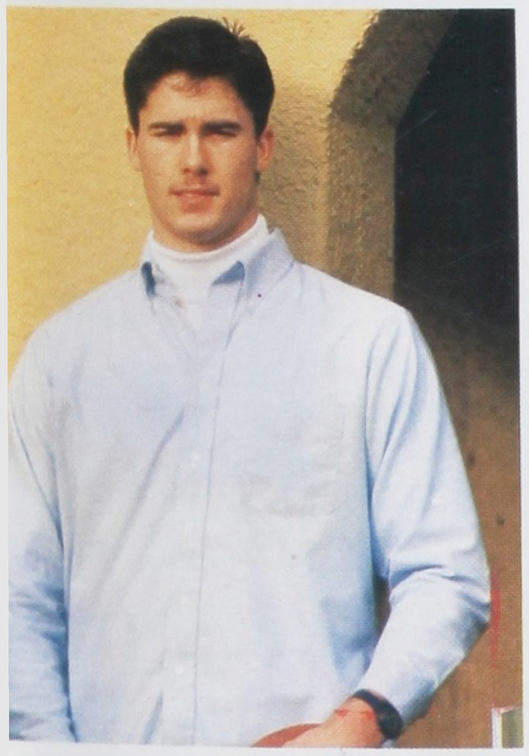

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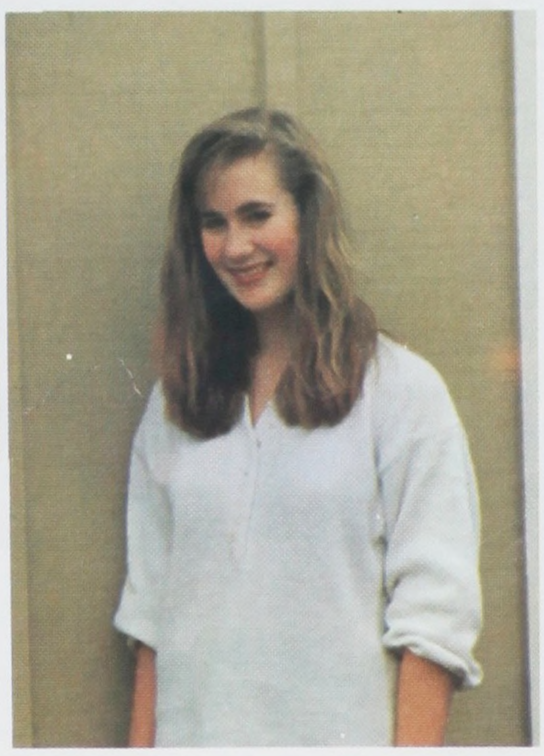

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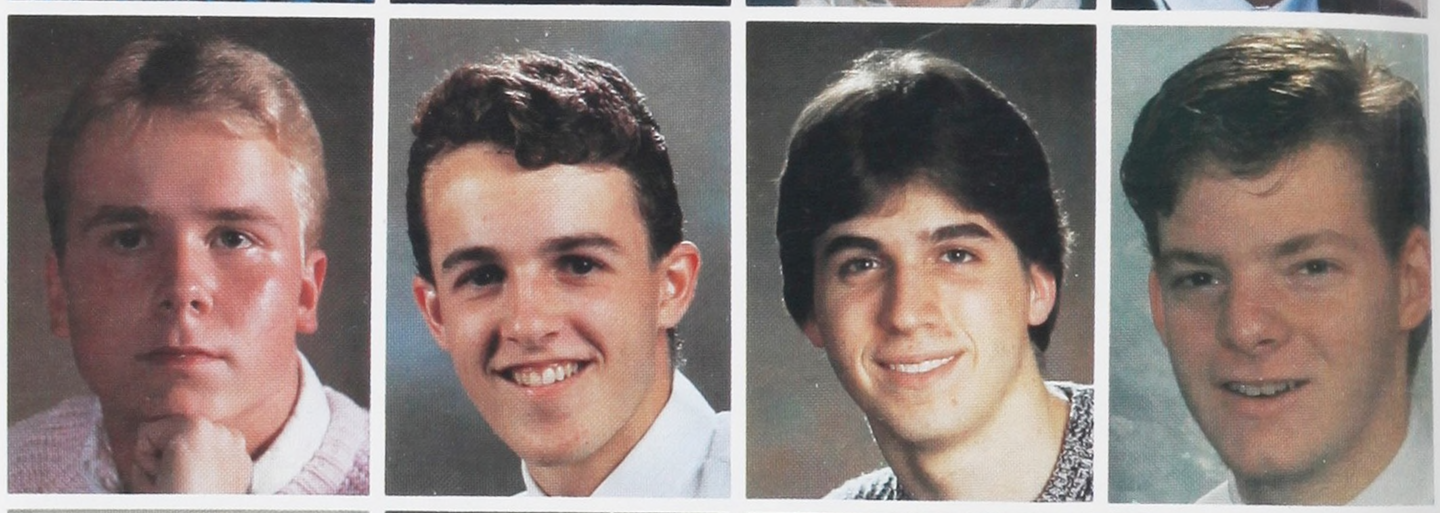

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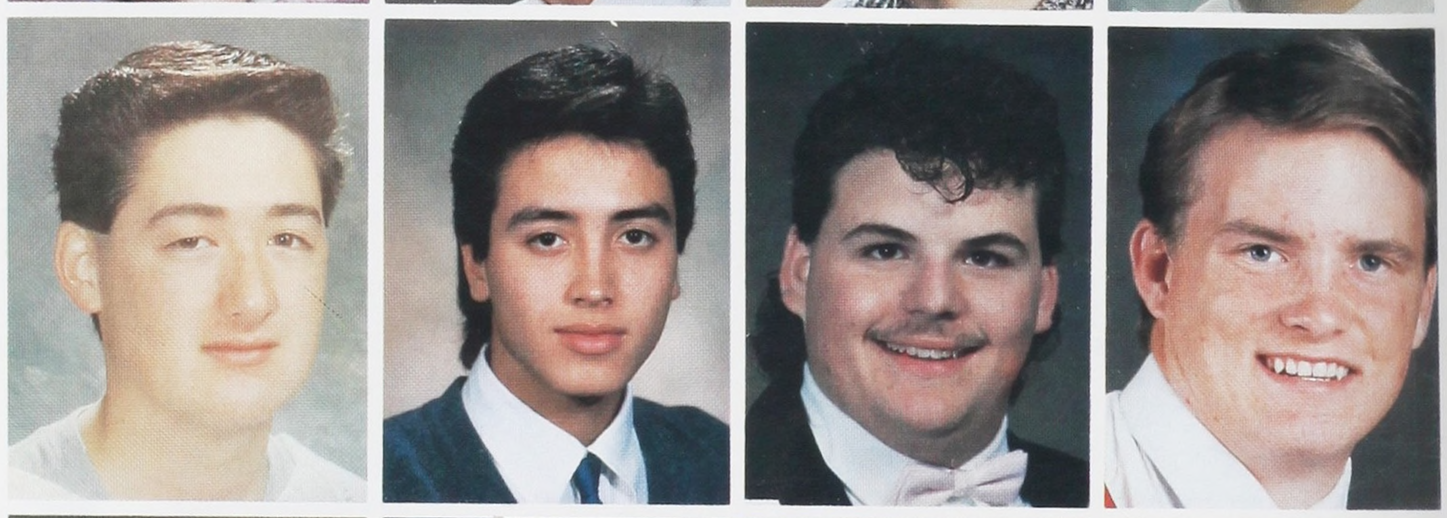

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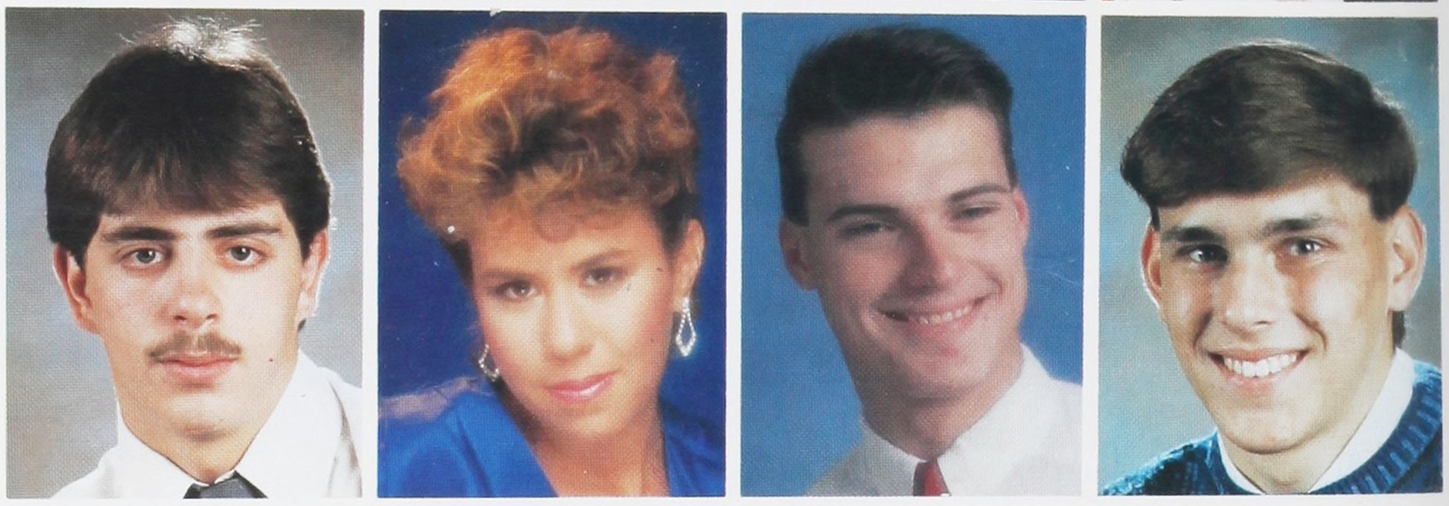

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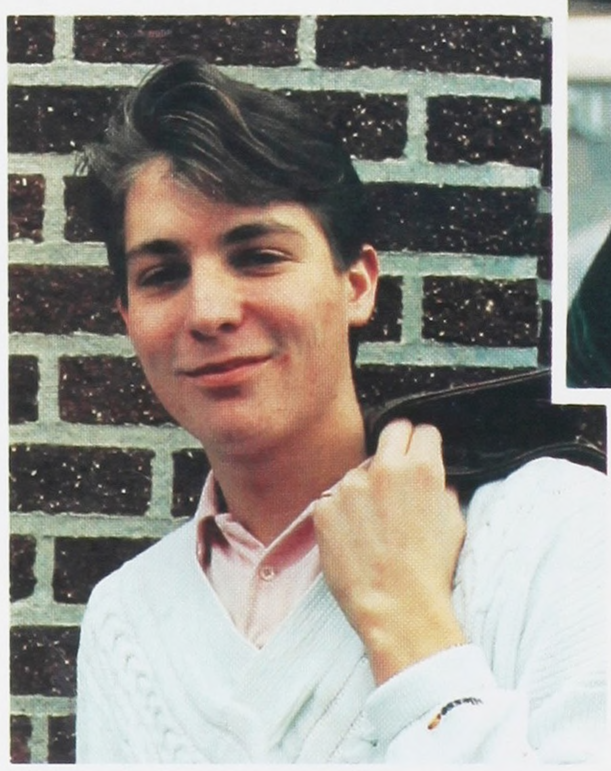

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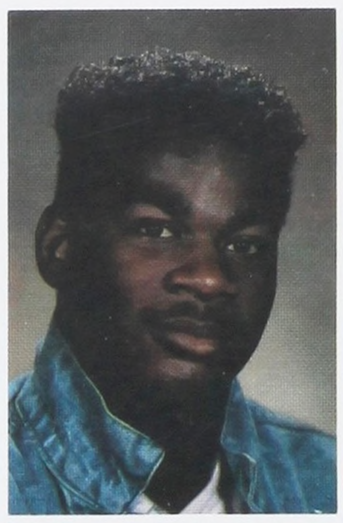

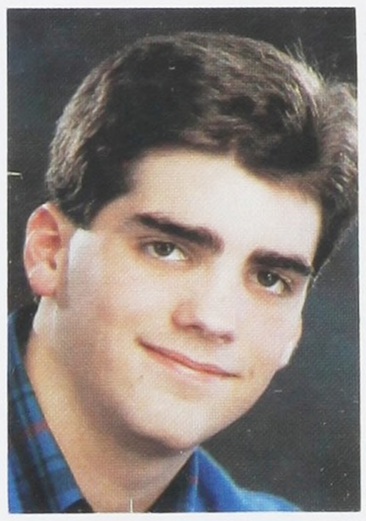

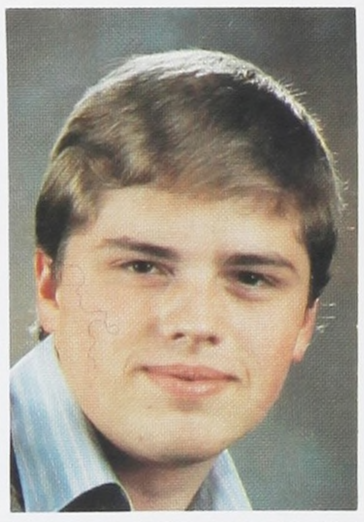

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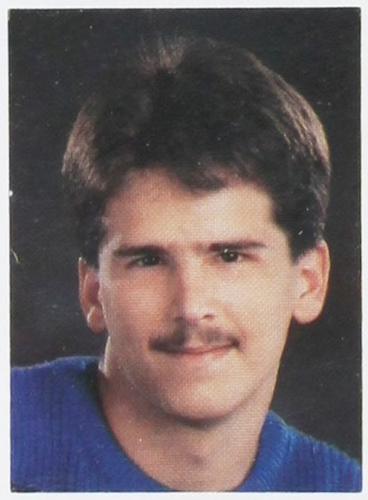

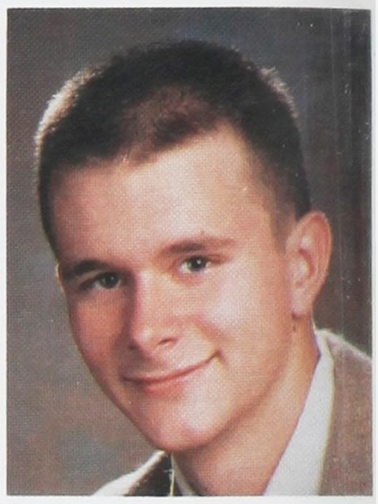

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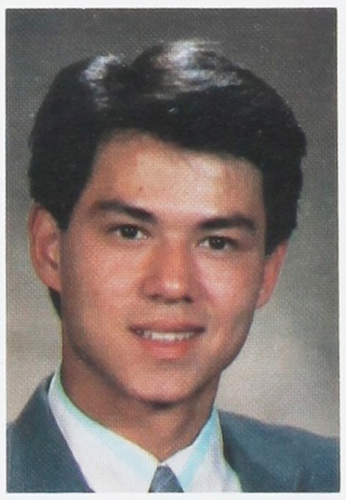

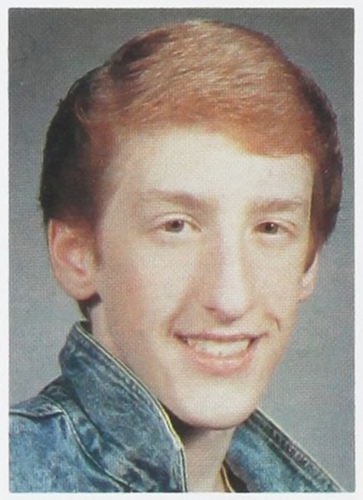

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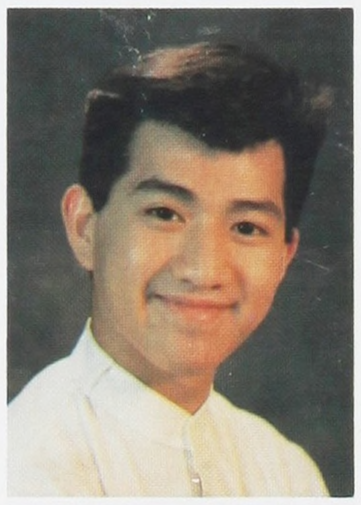

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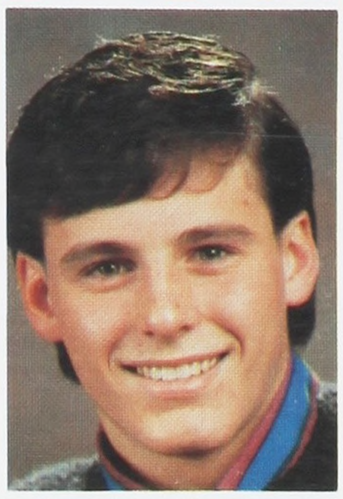

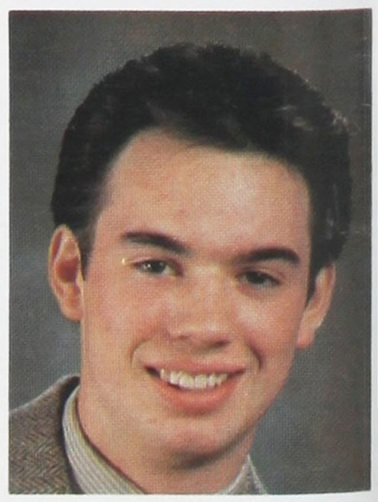

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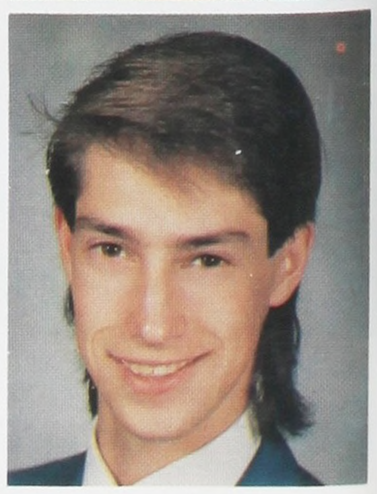

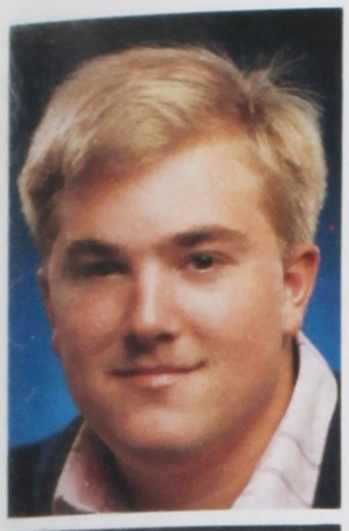

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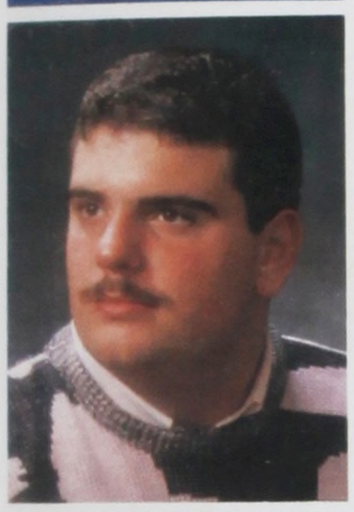

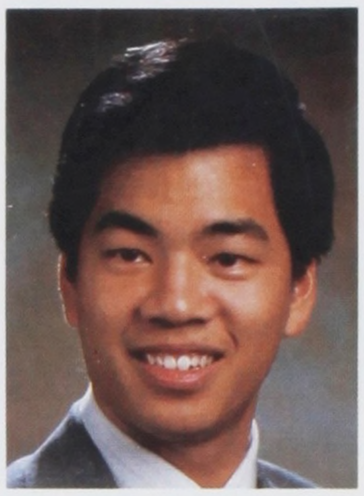

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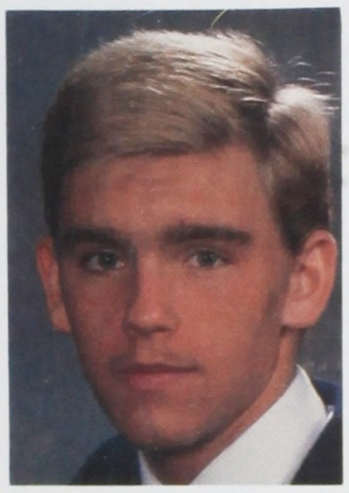

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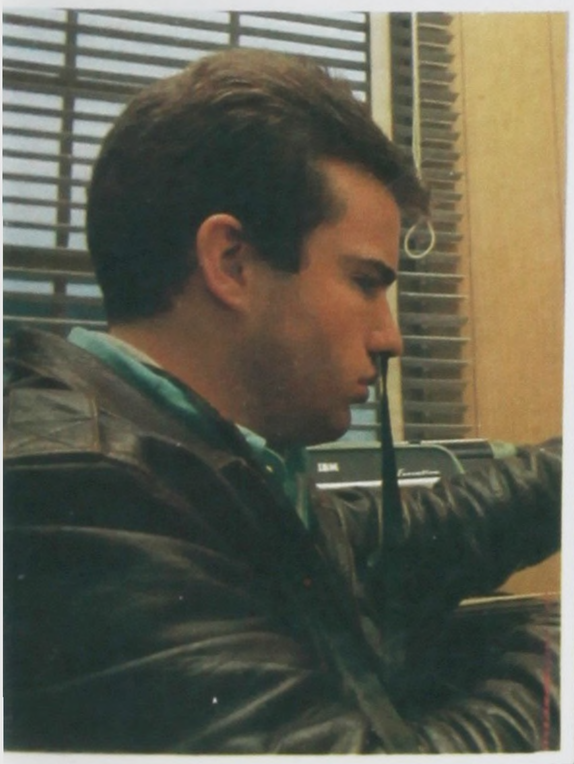


Dave Foley

Best Car

Lynda Reese

Shiela Moe

Nick Markle

A Colorful Future

Casey Jones (12) fingers the bass he built himself at Benson.

In Architectural Drafting, Yolanda Blume (12) chooses the right pencil for her drawing.

Tige McSwain (12) and Keith Dempsy (12) check the program on a CNC computer in Machine Technology.

Stopping three-quarters of the way on his climb of Mount Hood, Tom Schell (12) assesses climbing conditions.

Success Begins at Benson

Benson offers diverse courses for diverse people. As seniors, many knew what they wanted and planned to achieve special goals.

Andy Fung (12) completed the Integrated Science Program with hopes for a career in physics. Andy said, "I have enjoyed Benson for its mix of people and appreciate those teachers who have encouraged me to be responsible for my own education."

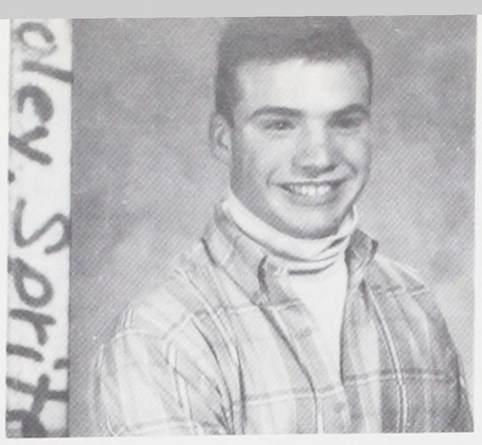
Yolanda Blume (12), an Architectual Drafting Major, felt that because she had attended Benson, she will be ahead of other college students pursuing careers in the field. Yolanda said, "Benson is tough, but in the long run it's beneficial."

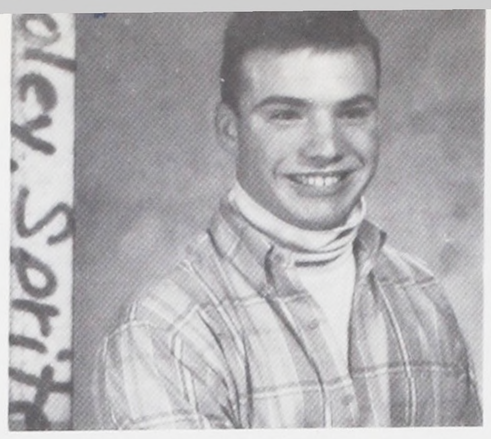
After winning first place in a diesel competition, Jason Erhardt (12), received a scholarship to the Universal Technical Institute. He plans to study diesel and work in the automotive field after he graduates. Tige McSwain (12) plans to further his training in machine technology in college.

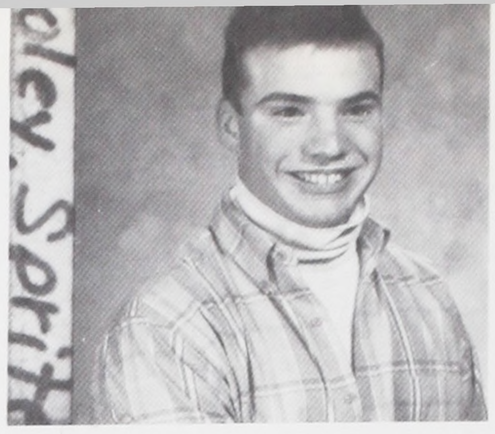
Matt St. Mary (12) and Casey Jones (12) want to earn a living with their band, Arion. "We want to go far," said Matt. Casey won first prize in the Benson Professional Engineers' Award Contest for the guitar he built.

Jason Erhardt (12) works on a diesel engine in Benson's automotive shop.

Andy Fung (12) figures out the momentum of the masses on the air track.



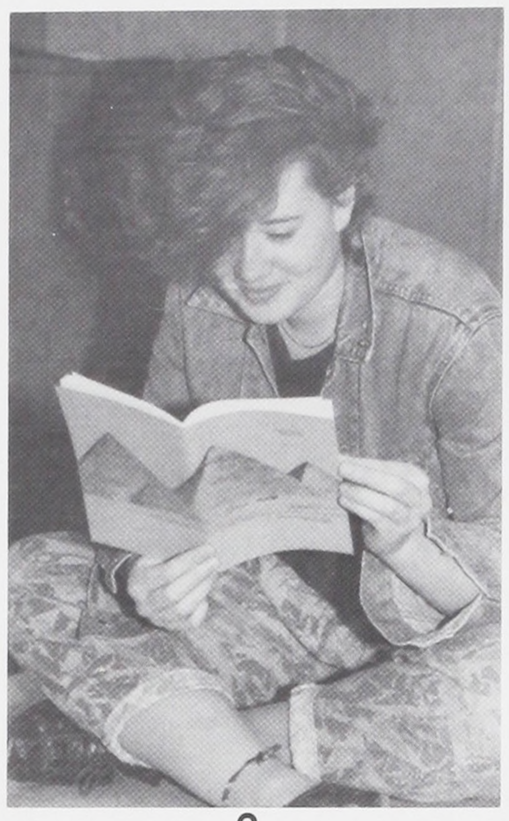




Senior Trivia

1. Is this what the senior class leaves the underclassmen — clones of Sprite?
2. Is Jodee secretly reading the #1 book on the banned list?
3. Oh, this is what they call working out the pings in automotive.
4. Who's supervising the new detention?
5. Ah . . . What's up Doc?
6. So this is the new dress code.

Another try?



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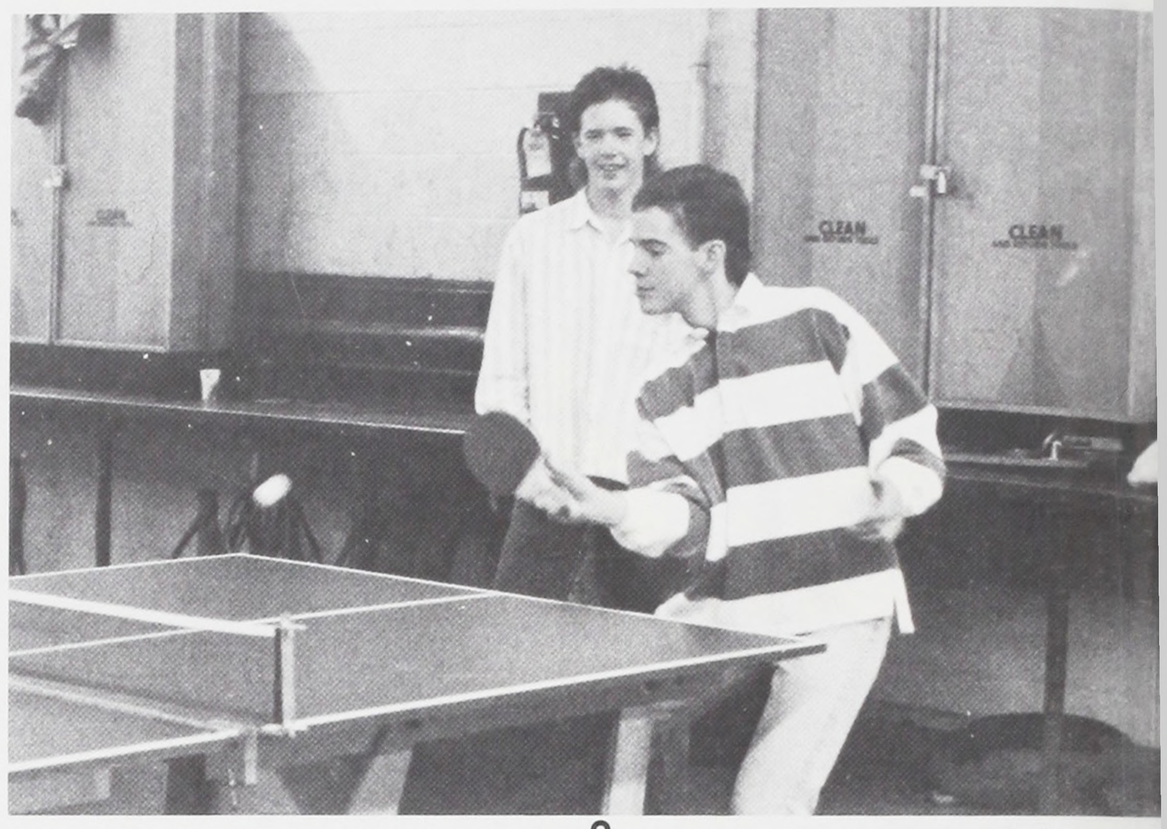

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1. Dave (Sprite) Foley (12) strikes again. Dave managed to slip into the underclass photo session.
2. Jodee Varney (12) reads *Infinity Abridged* — the first edition of Benson's literary magazine.
3. Gordon Glasser (12) watches as Gary Gibson (12) plays ping-pong at a pre-holiday party.
4. Tige McSwain (12) poses outside the jail cell at the county sheriff's office after taking the Rose Festival driving test. Kevin Urbanski (12), Erik Surbrook (12), and Chris Passanante (12) cool their heels inside.
5. Dr. Fred Rodgers looks on as Erich Boleyn (12) and Debi Reiersgaard (12), Veronica Sherman, (12), and Quan Tran (12) work diligently in the new Senior Challenge course.
6. Yen Nguyen (12) and her date Andrew Phan arrive at the Senior Prom.

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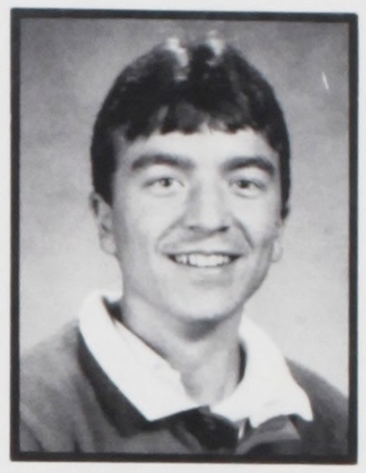

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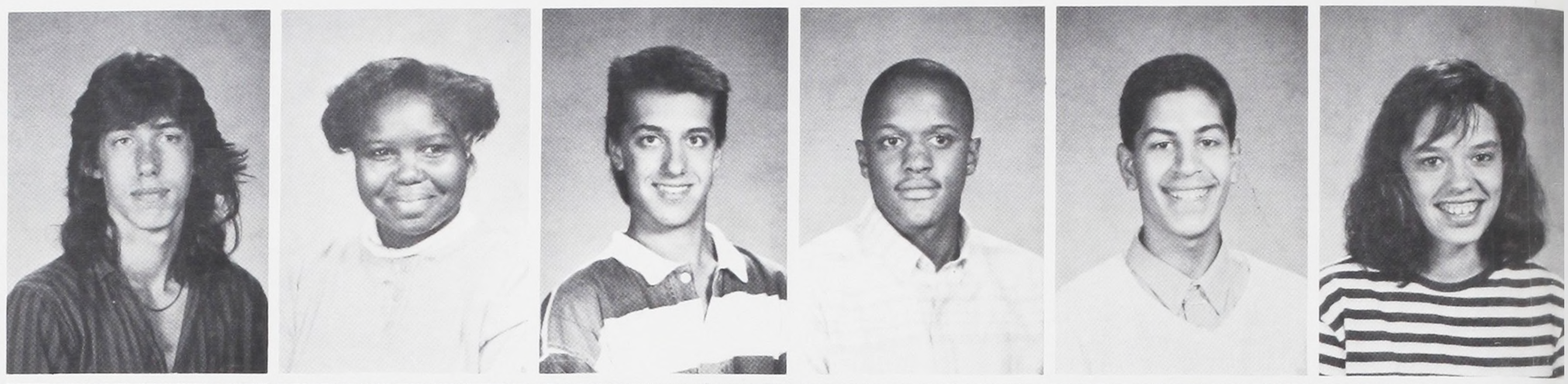

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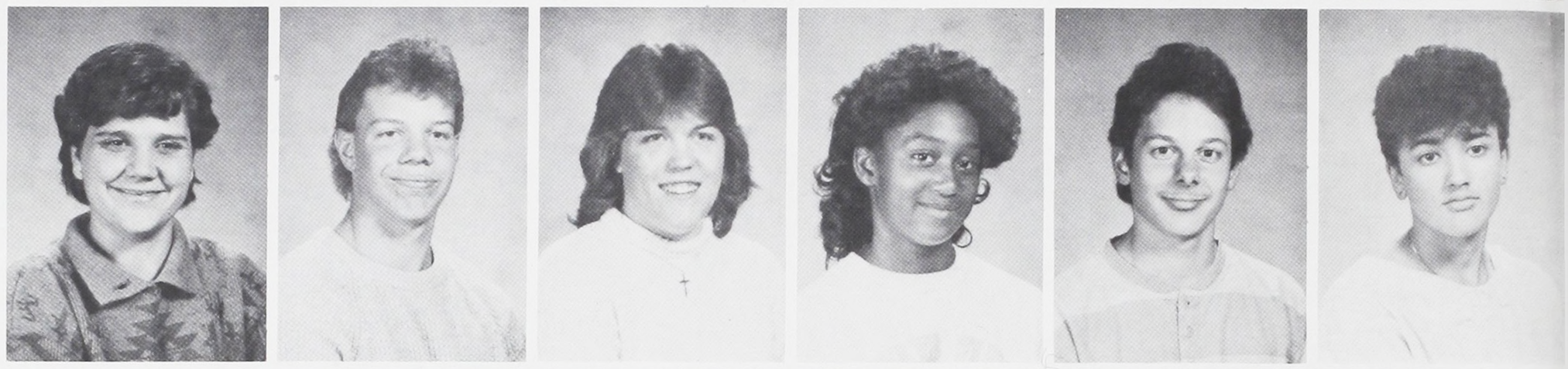

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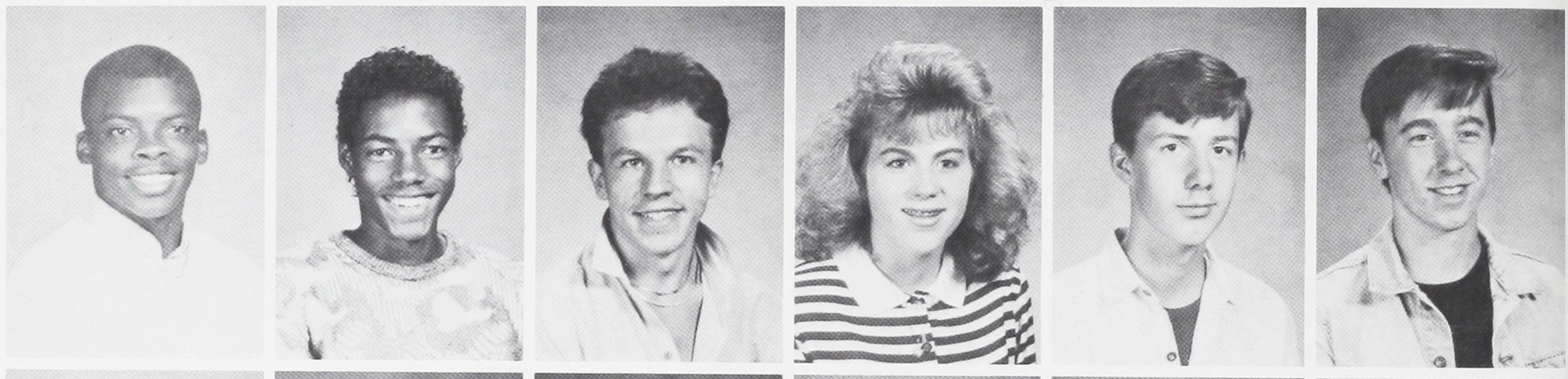

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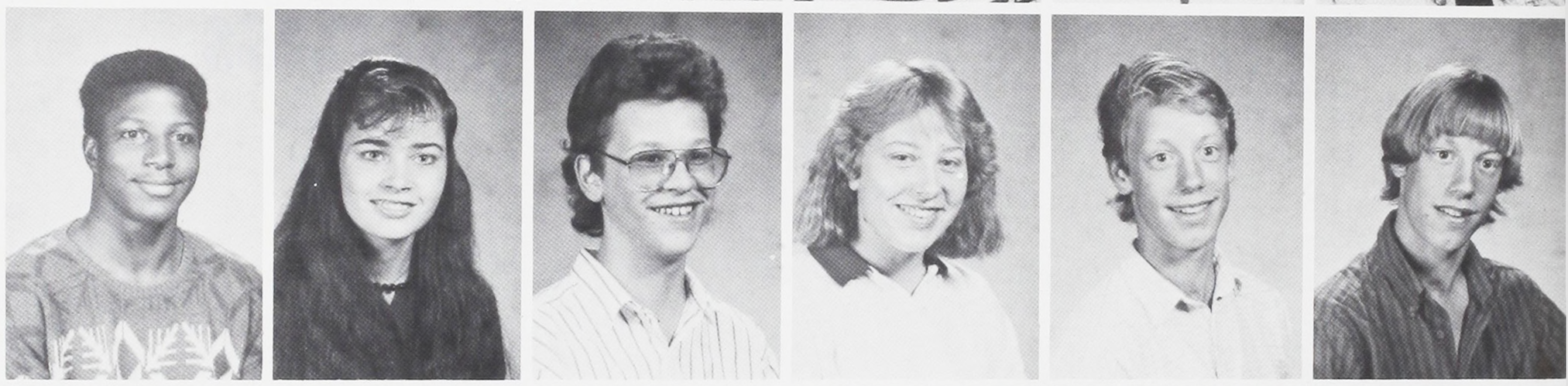

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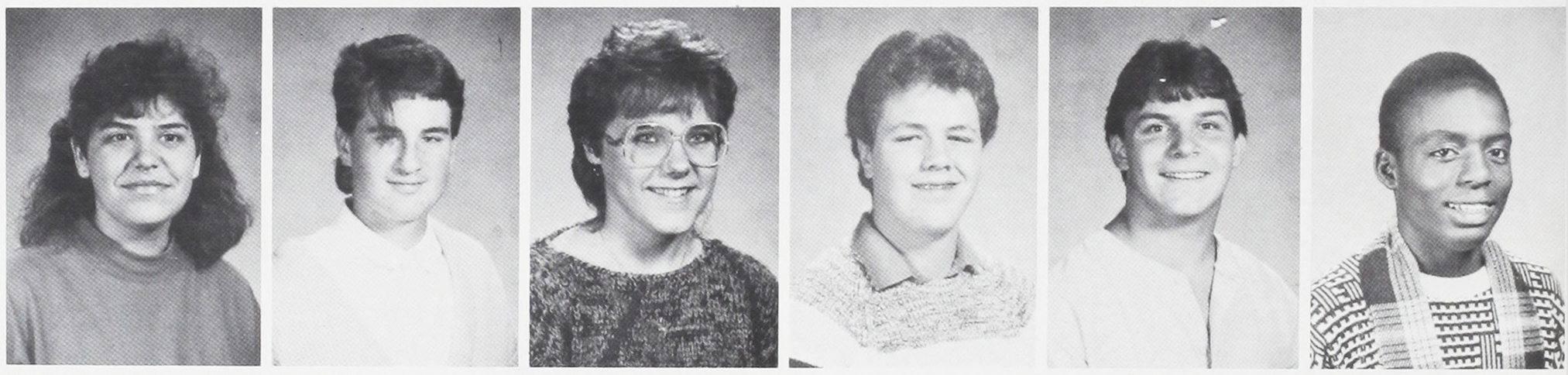

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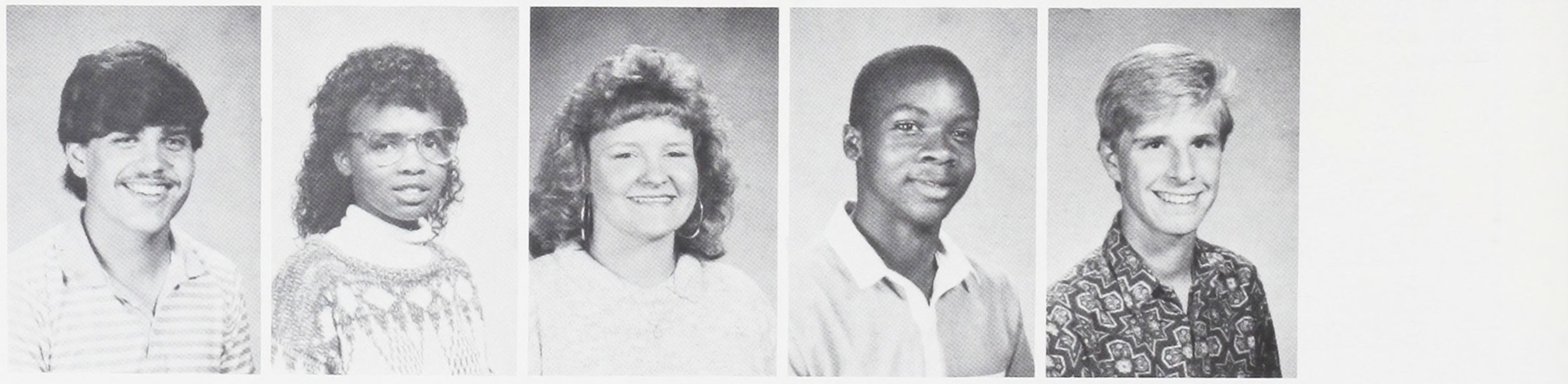

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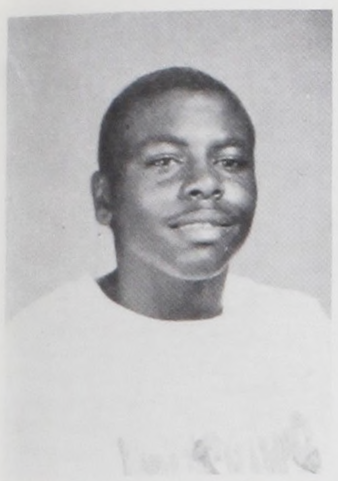

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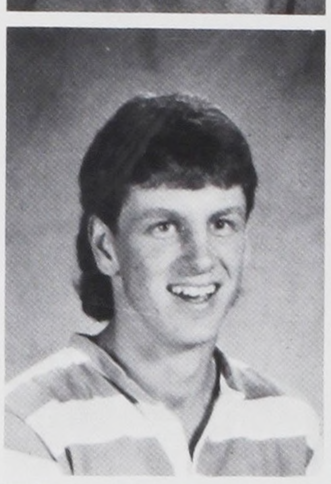
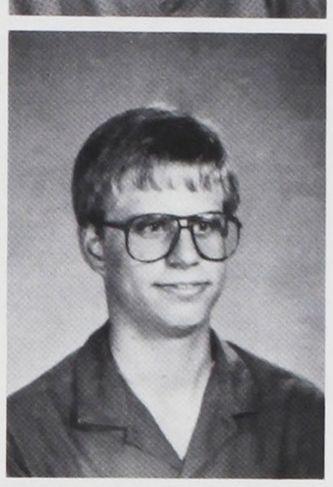

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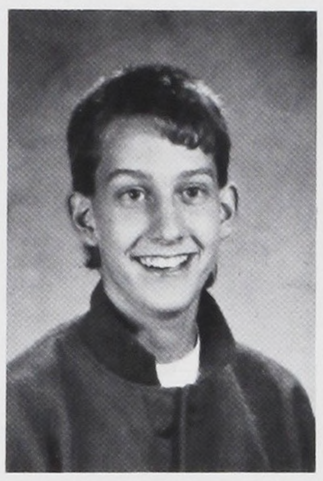

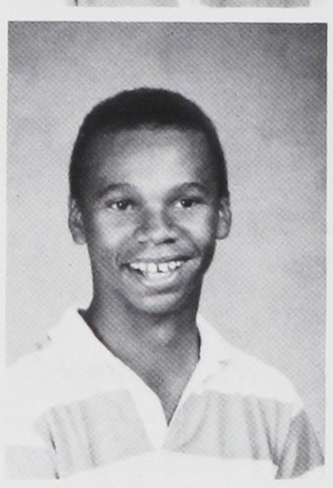
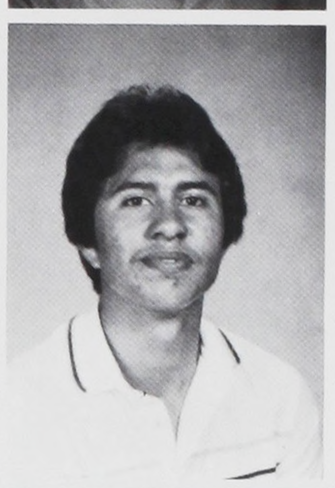

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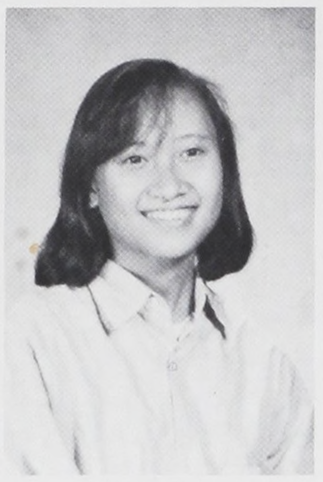

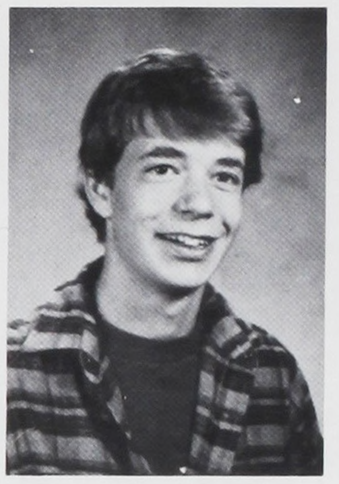

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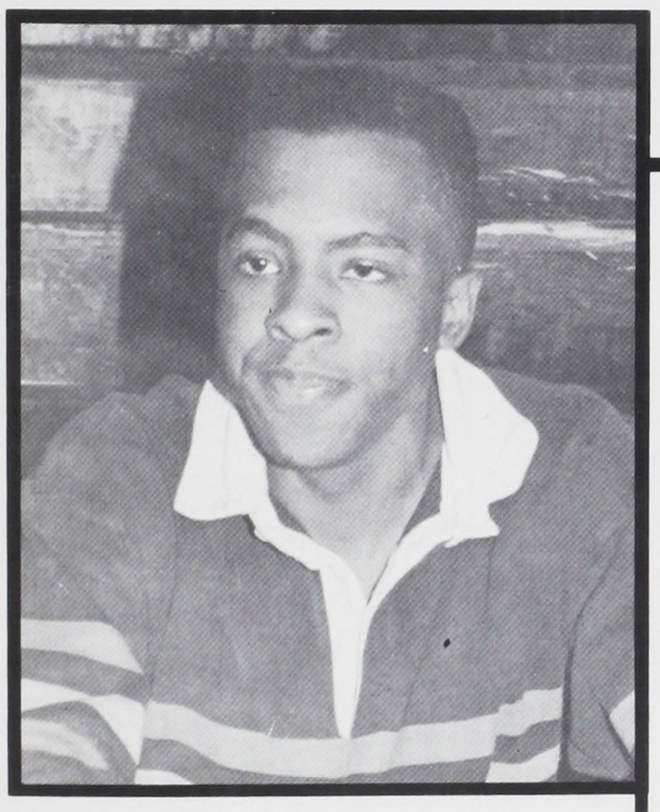

Joseph Conroy

MAJOR DECISIONS

What type of person would choose an architecture major? Joseph Conroy (11) helped answer this question. Joe decided to chose architecture because it gave him a way to express his feelings through a drawing. He said he looks at it as "a sculpture, something I designed with my mind and soul."

Joe has big plans. He is going to the University of Oregon or Cornell University. After that he wants something simple: a good job in a firm either on the West or East Coast.

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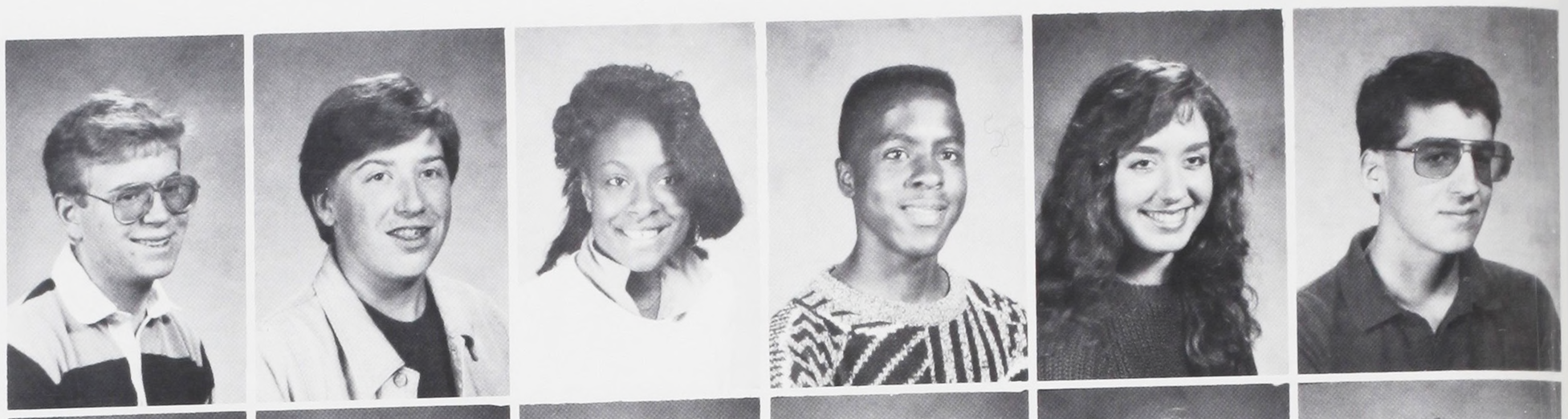

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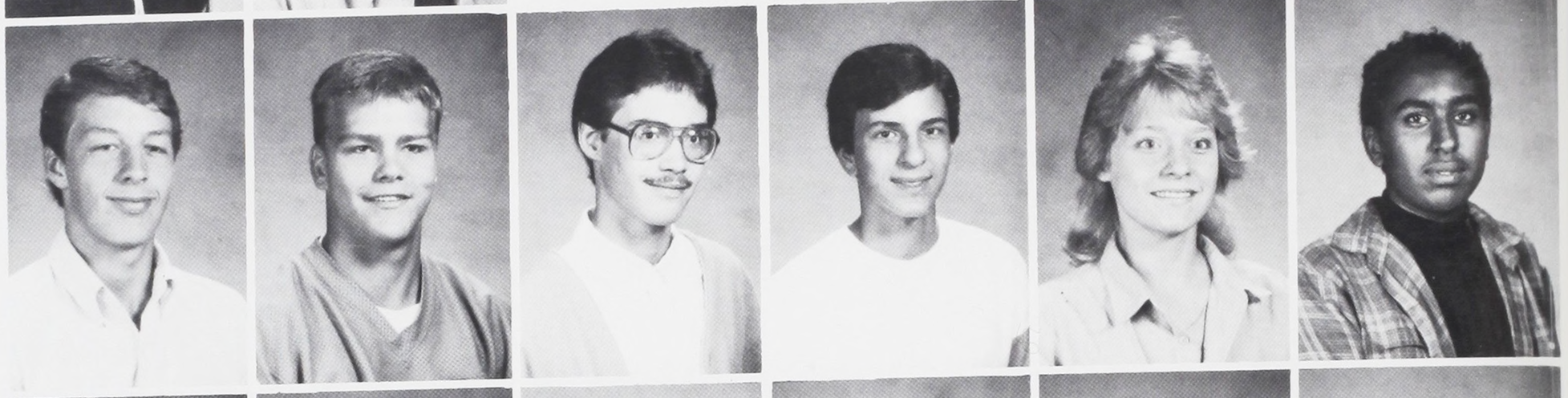

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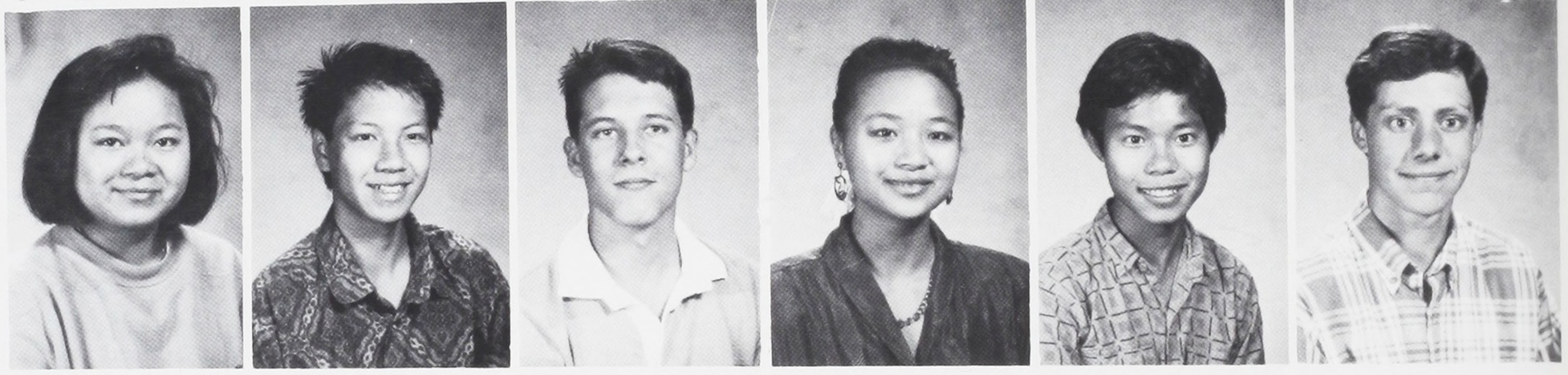


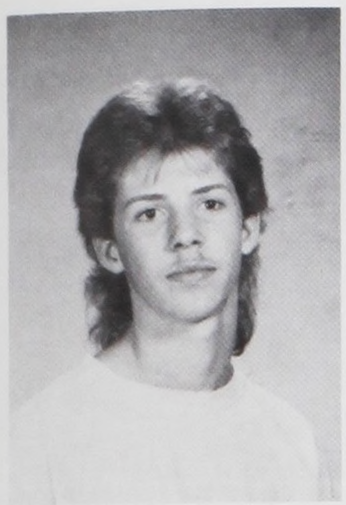
MAJOR DECISIONS

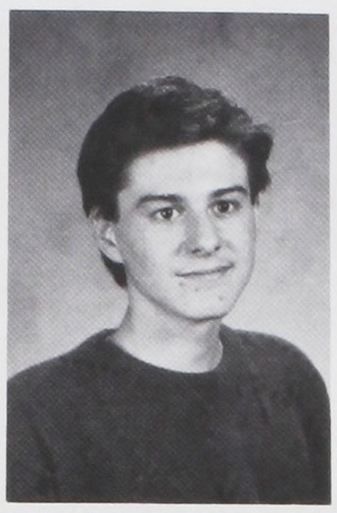
"I'll always be able to fall back on Graphic Communications if I ever need future employment," commented Colleen Huntwork, an outstanding junior majoring in Graphics.

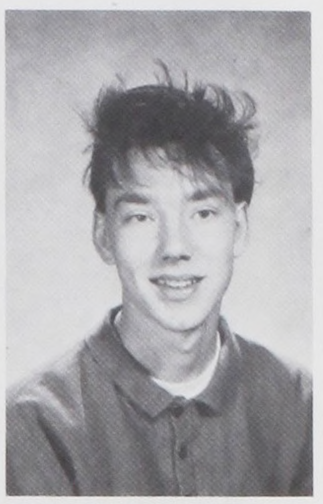
She especially enjoys darkroom work. "I love working with an item and slowly watching it come to life as it is developing."

Her future plans include college with a major in photography. After graduation, she hopes to become a photo-journalist for a major magazine.

Colleen Huntwork







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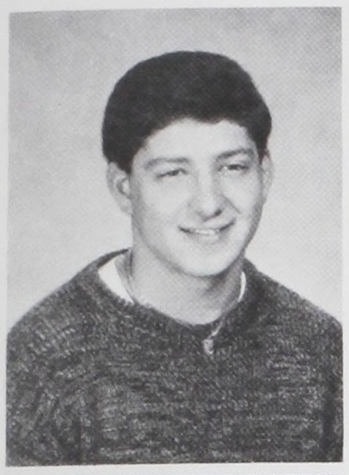
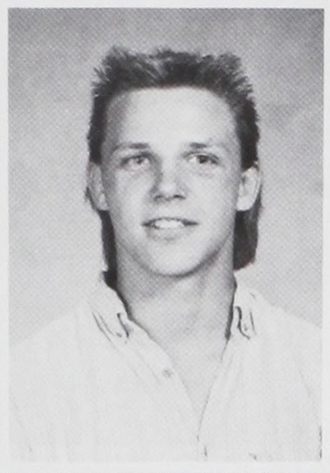
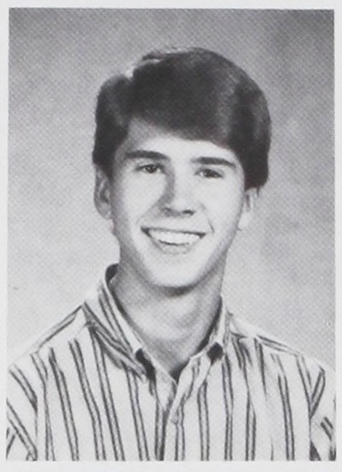

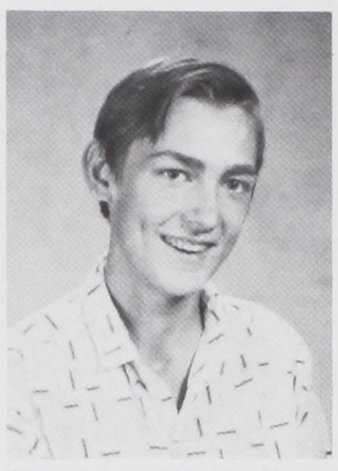

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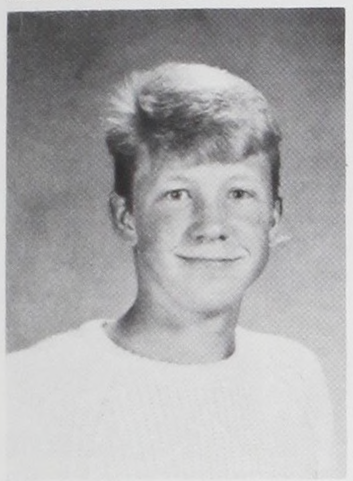

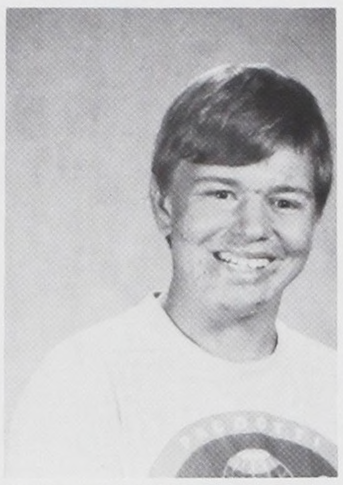
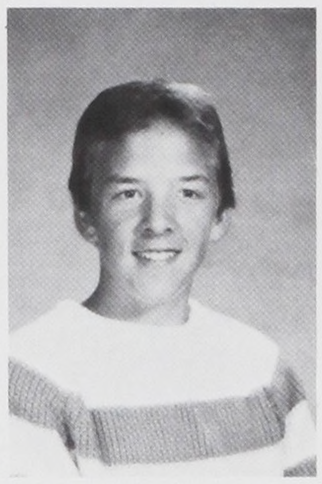

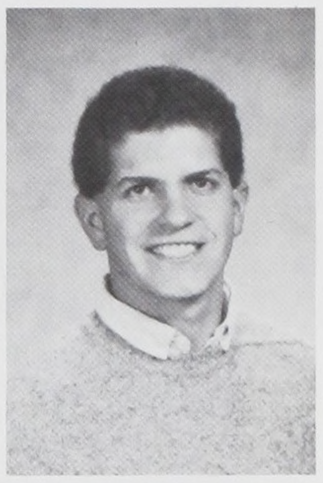

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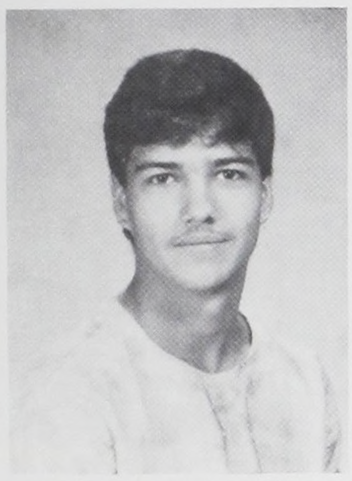

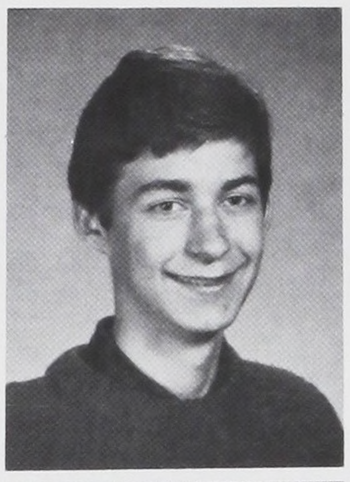

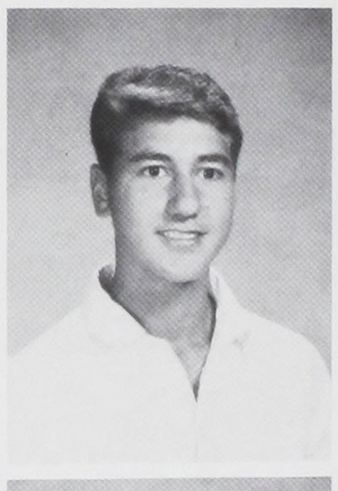

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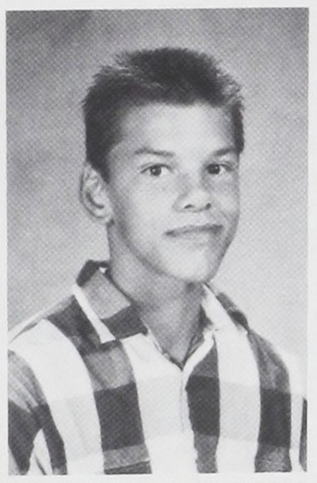

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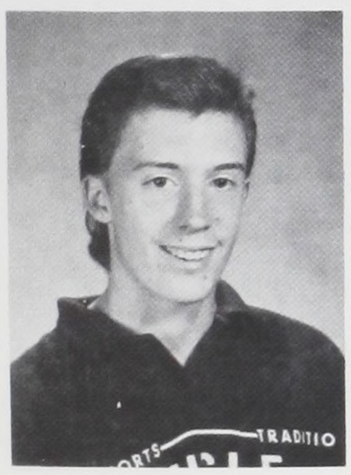

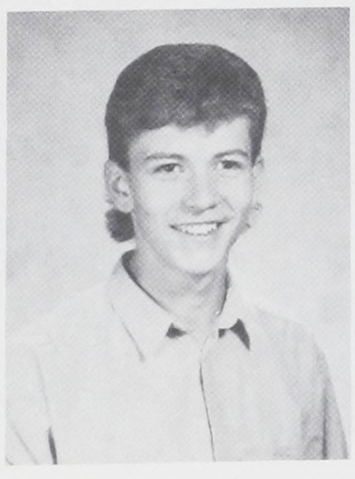

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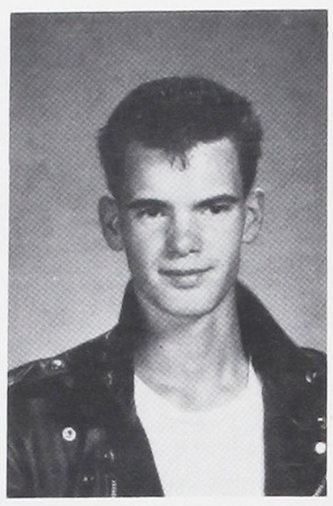
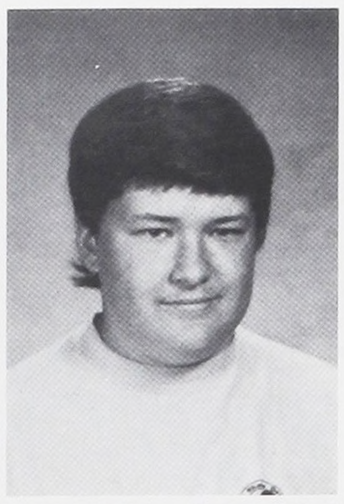
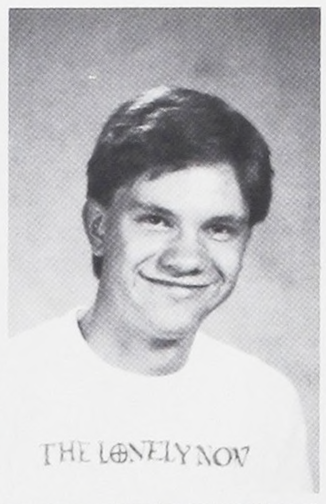

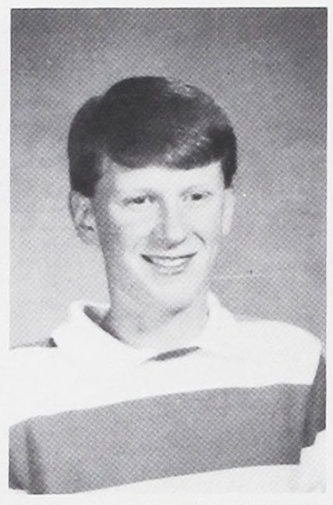
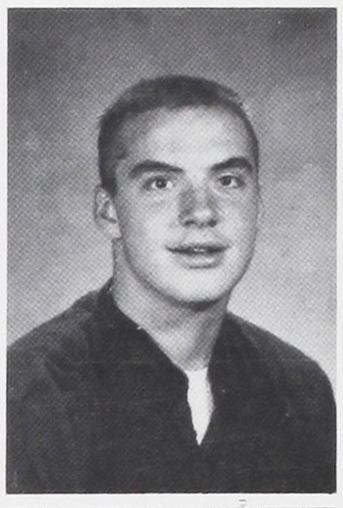

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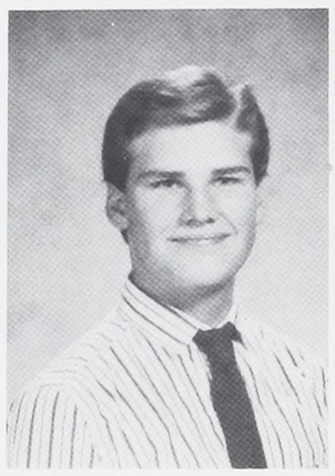
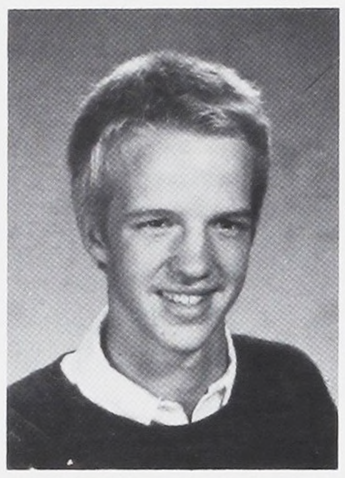
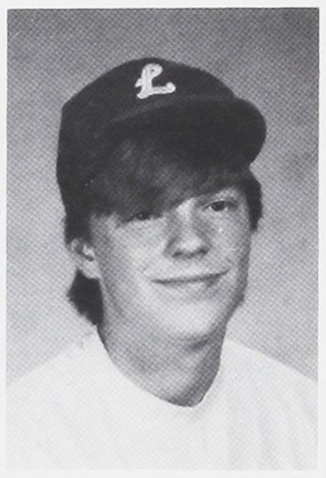

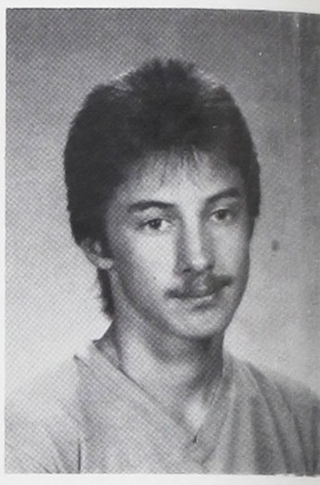

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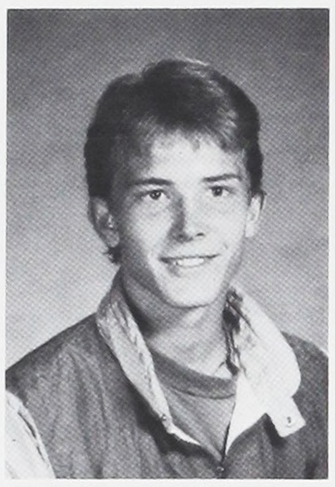
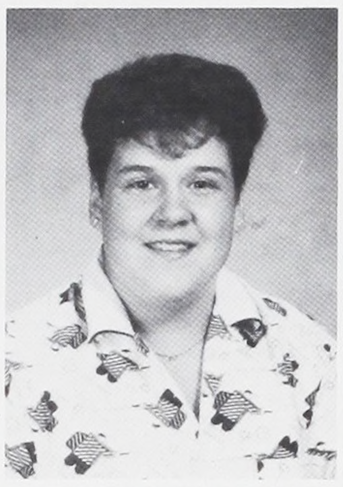
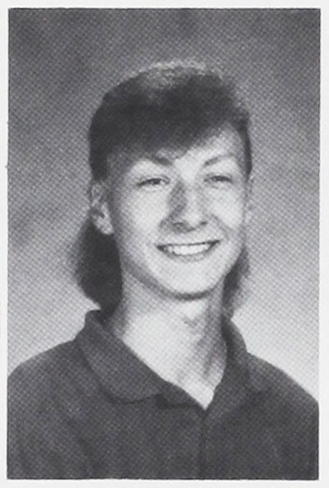

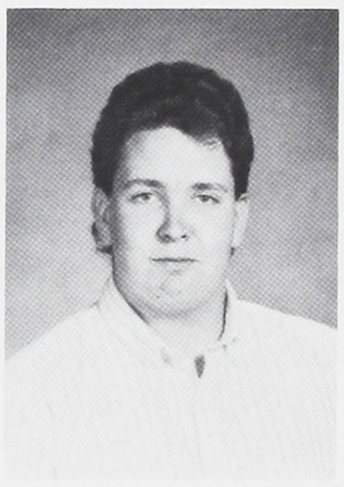
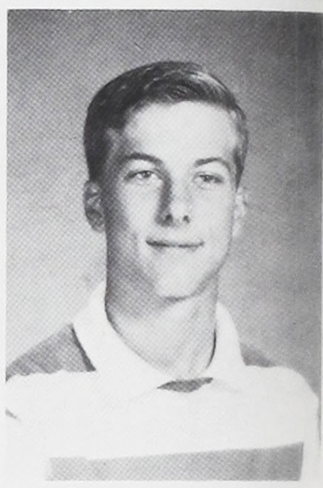

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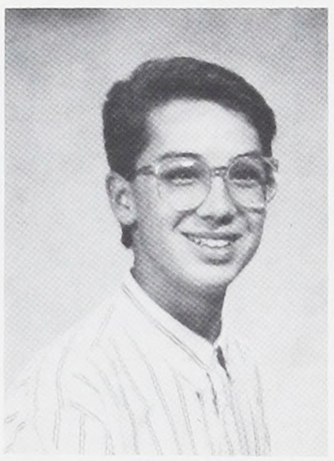
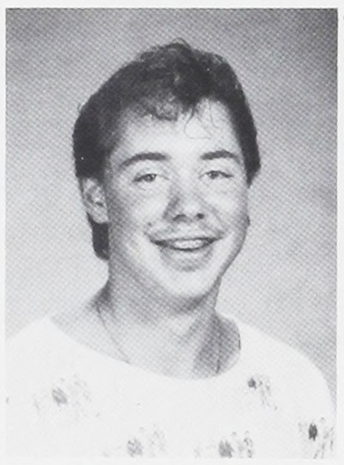
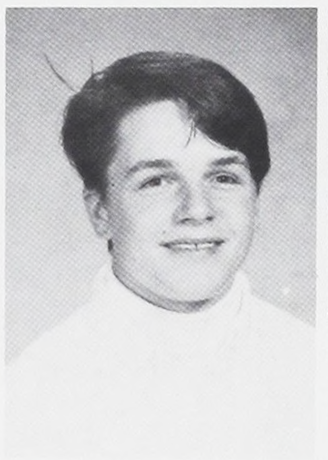
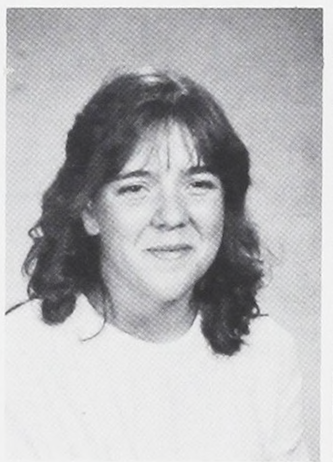
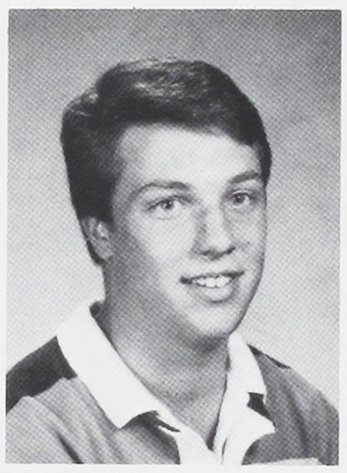
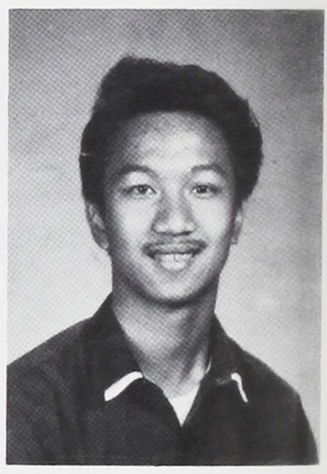

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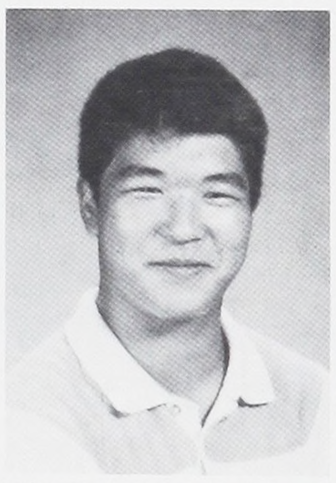

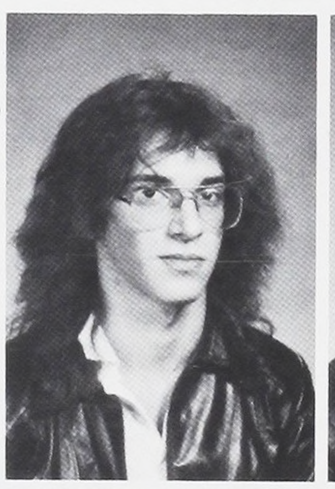
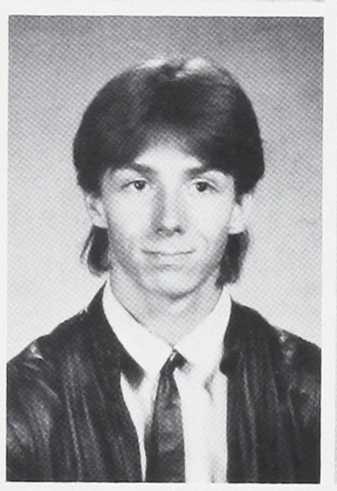

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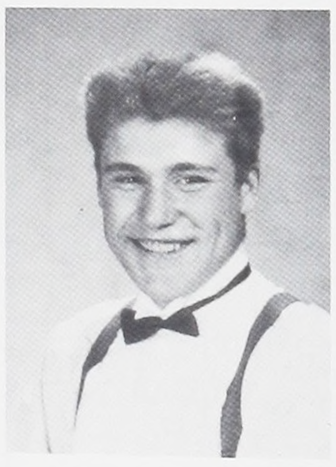
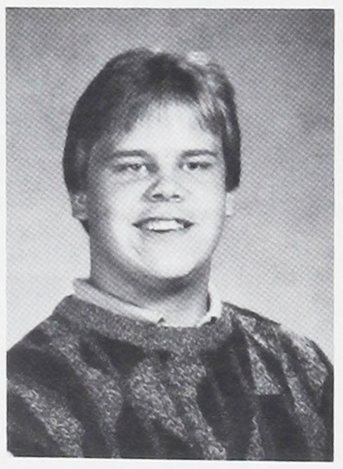

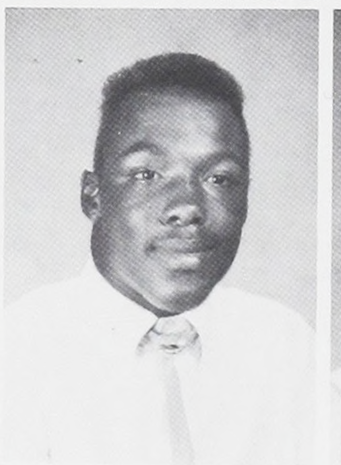
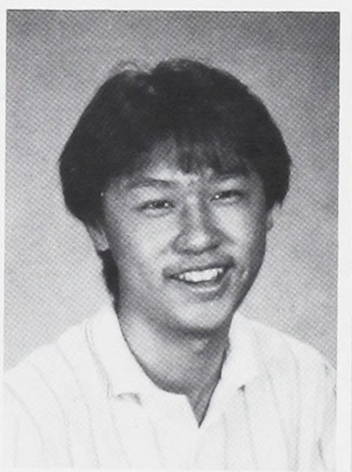
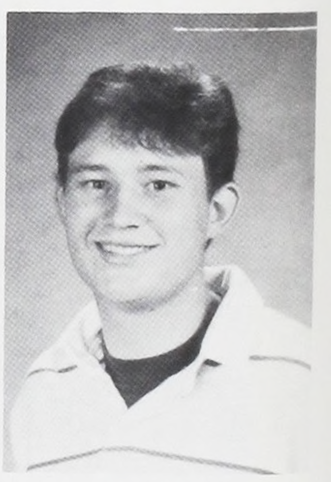

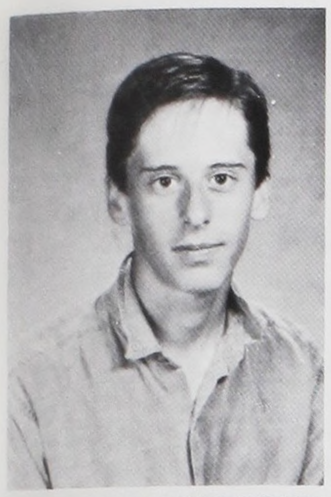

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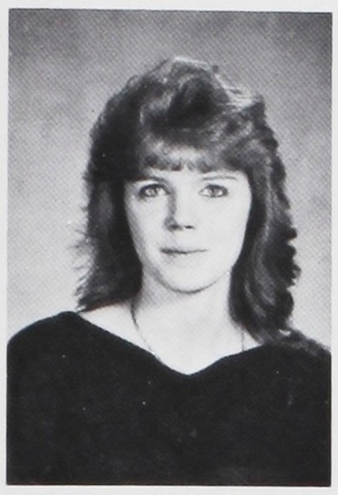

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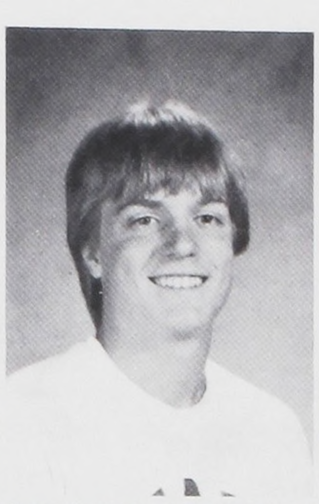

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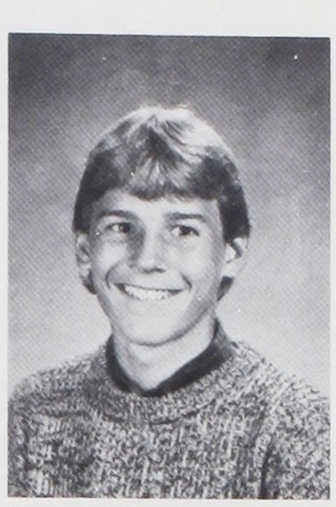

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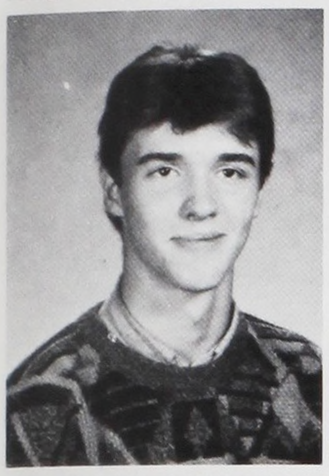

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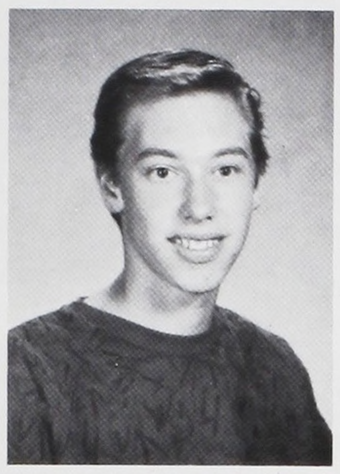

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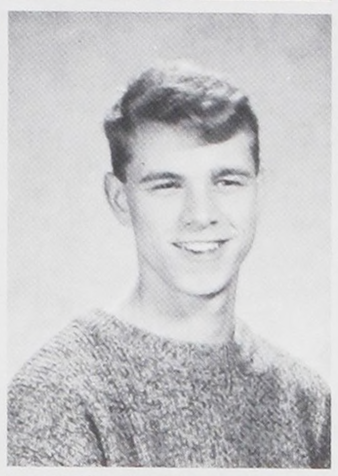

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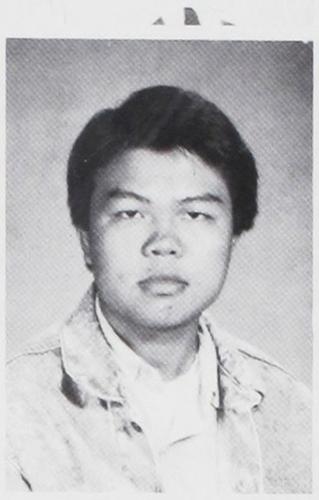

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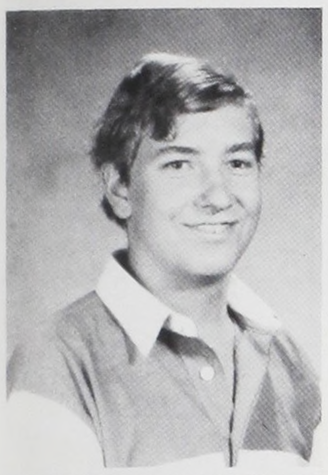

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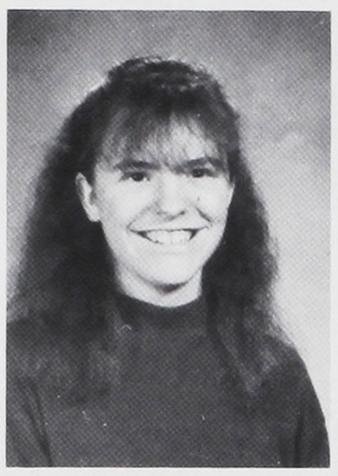

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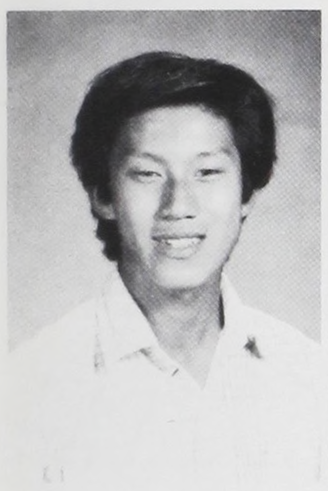

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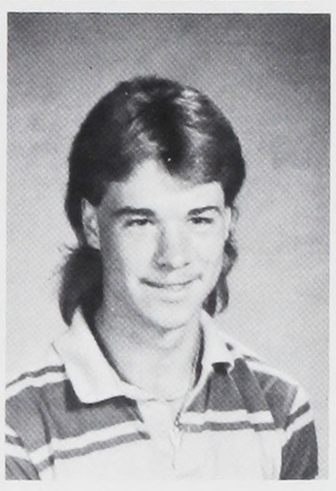

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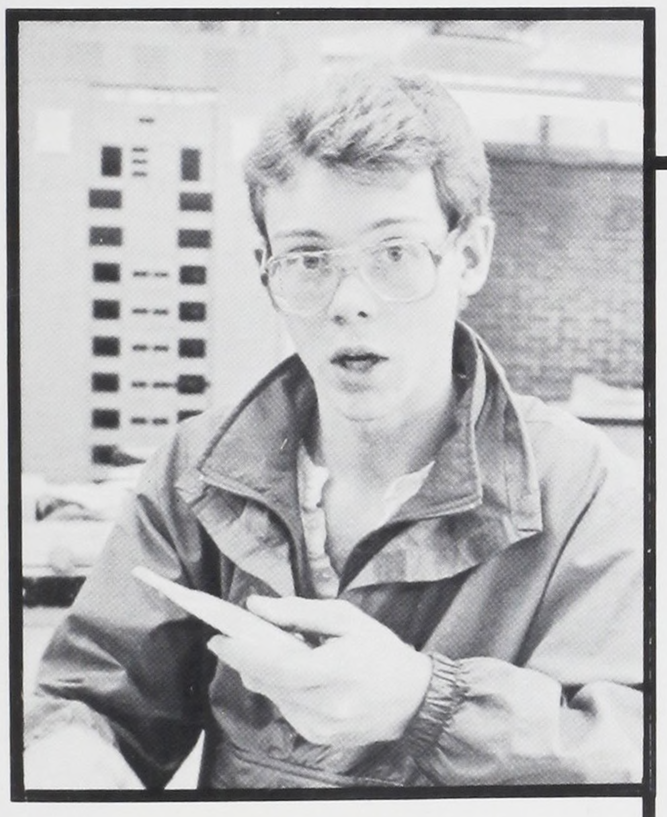

James Gray

MAJOR DECISIONS

"I get satisfaction from starting a project from wood, and ending with a great metal object," commented James Gray, and outstanding junior in Pattern and Foundry.

His future plans include finishing his senior project, an apple-press, and then, after graduating receiving his apprenticeship in pattern and foundry.

Both his major at Benson and his plans for the future emphasize what James enjoys most — working with his hands.

MAJOR DECISIONS

"I like working on cars and watching the progress I've made every day," said Matt Neimi outstanding junior in the Auto Body major. Like most automotive majors Matt has taken the opportunity to learn a variety of automotive skills.

His plans for the future include two years at Portland Community College. After he completes the course, he wants to begin a career rebuilding engines. "I look at the parts of an engine as a puzzle with all the pieces mixed up. I enjoy putting the pieces together correctly; I get a feeling of accomplishment," Matt said.

Matt Neimi

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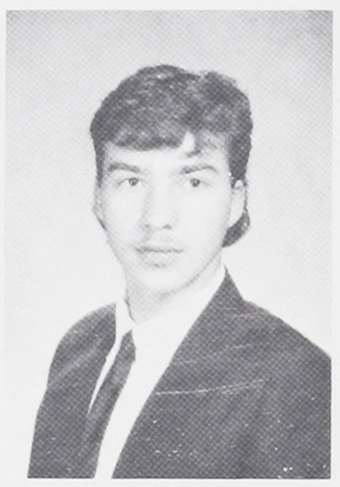

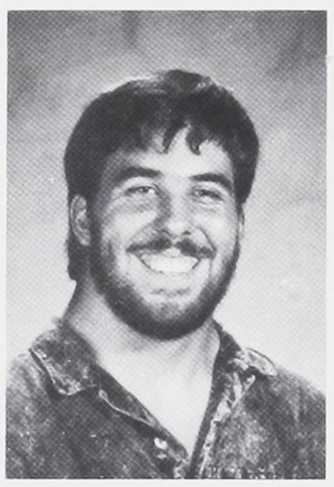

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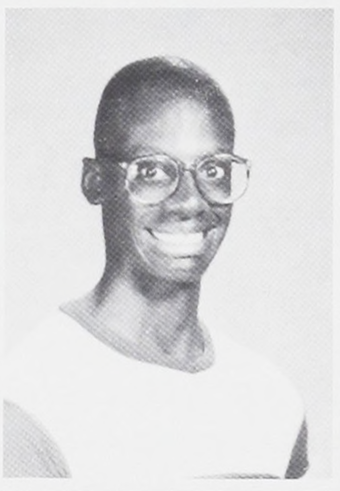

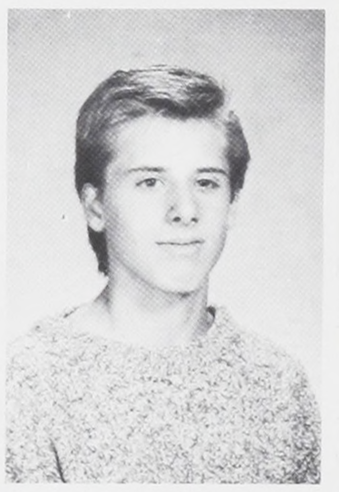

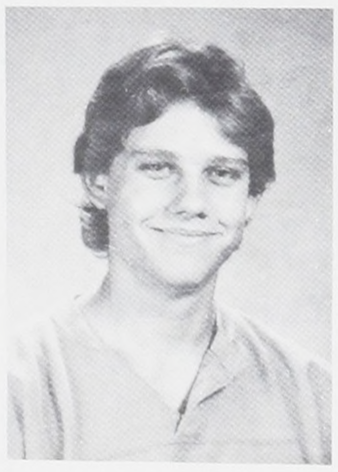

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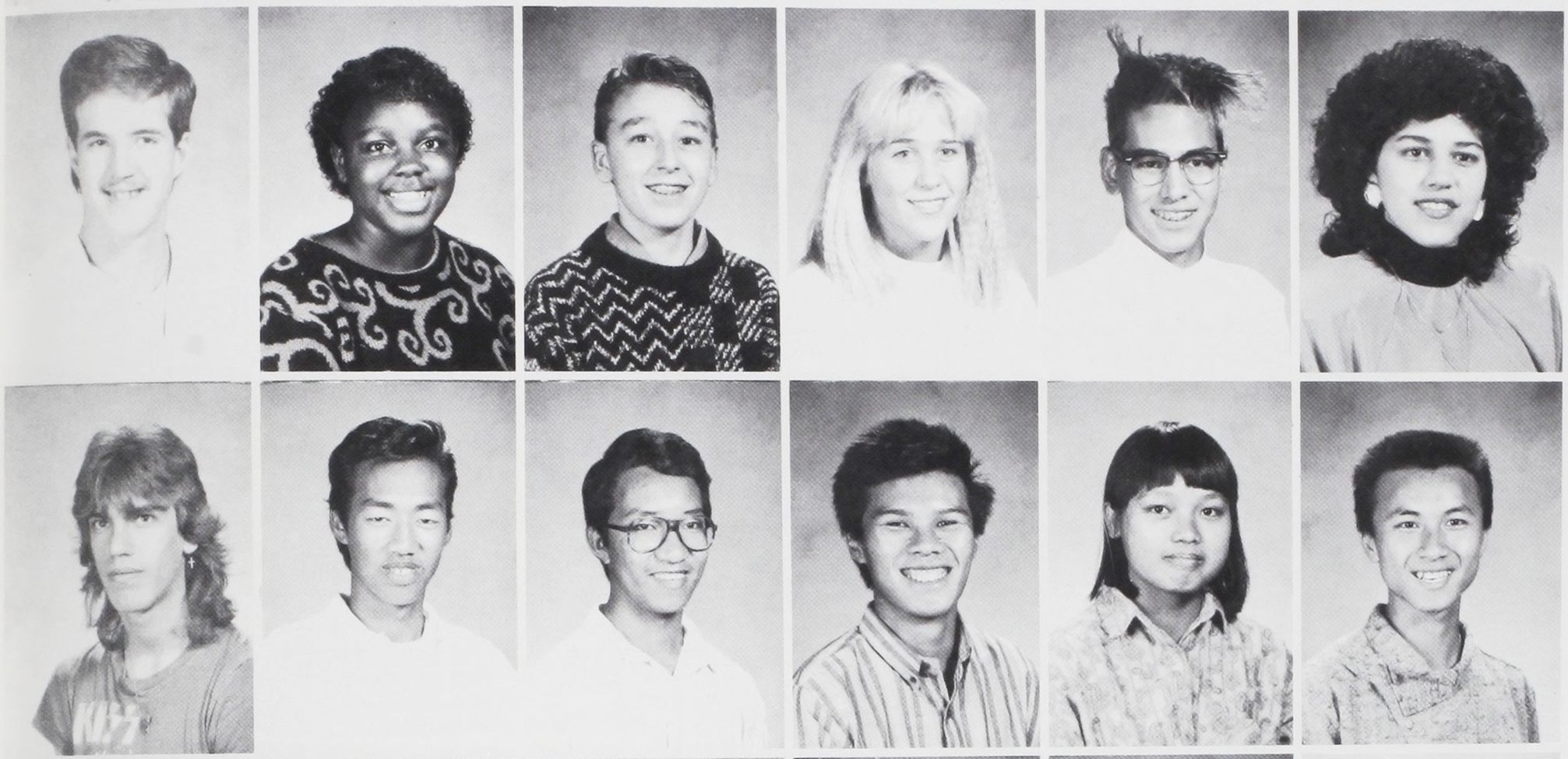

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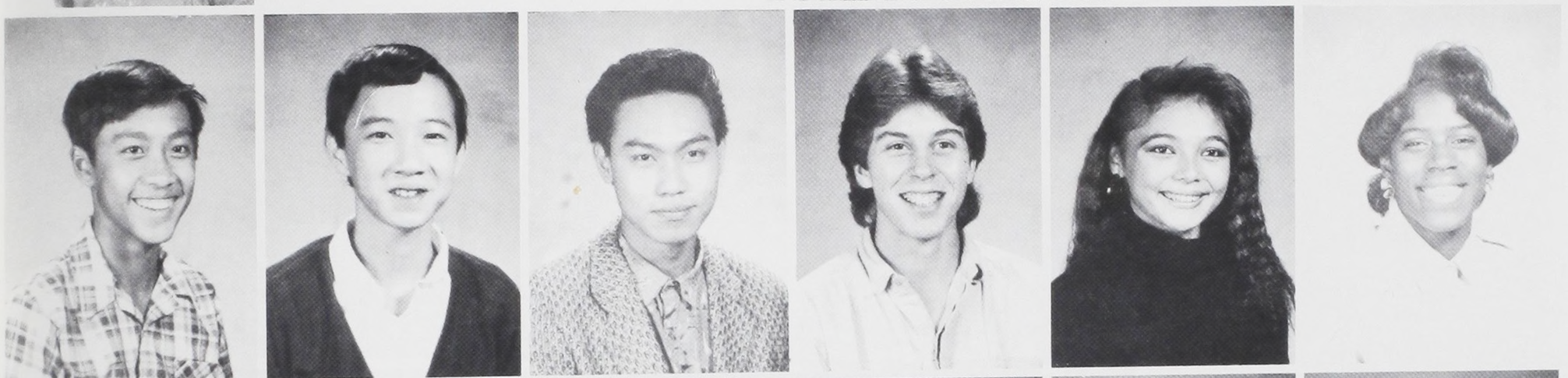

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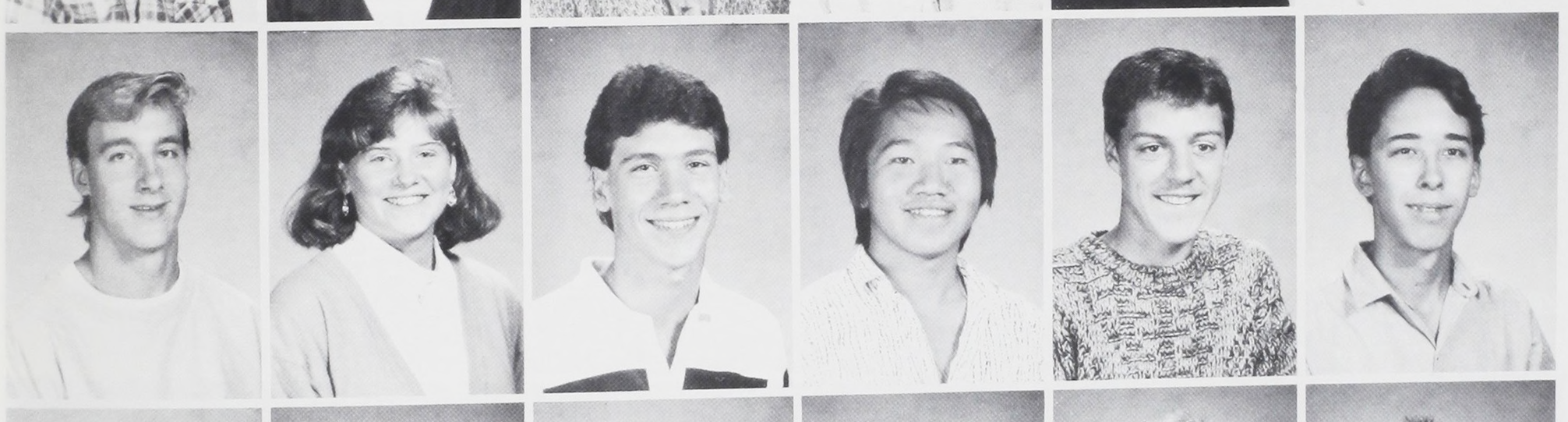

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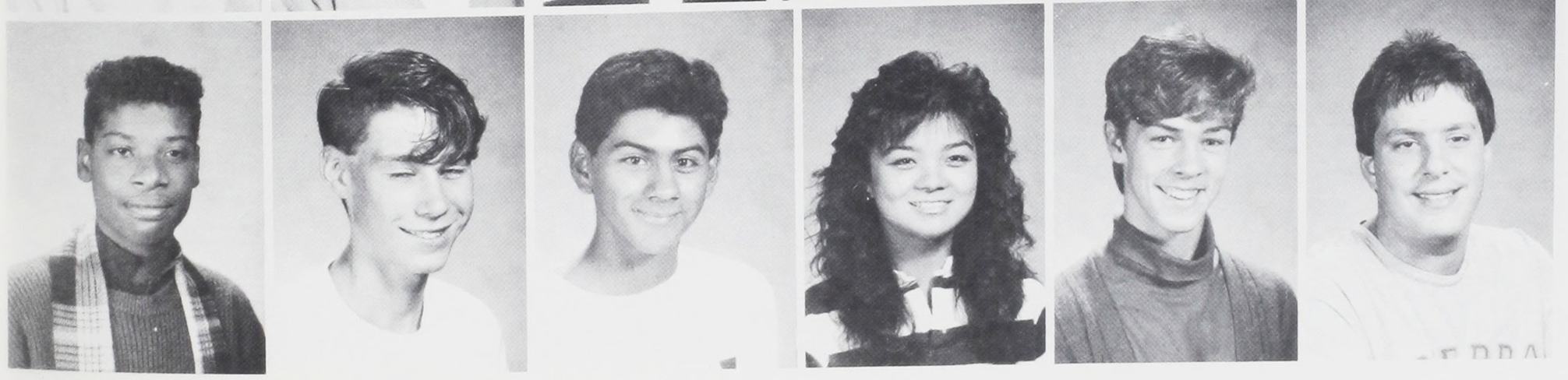

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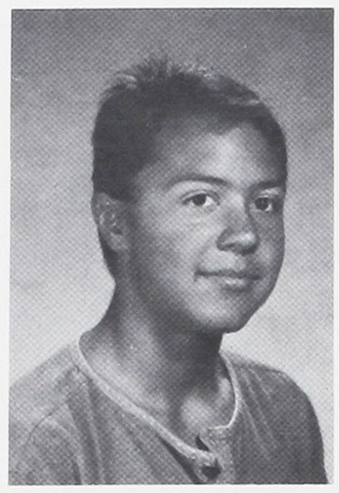

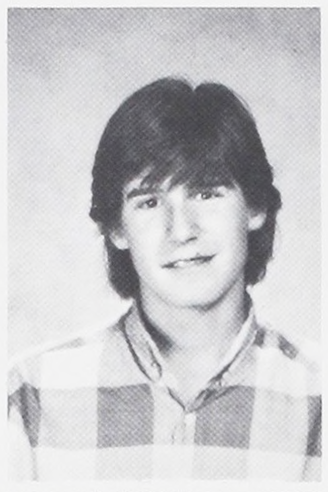
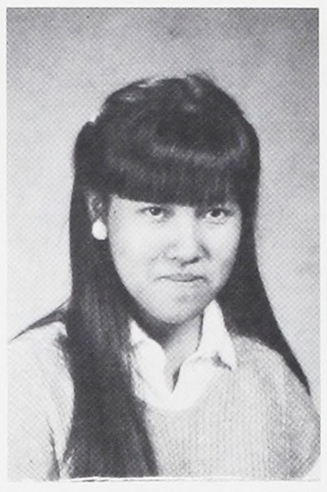
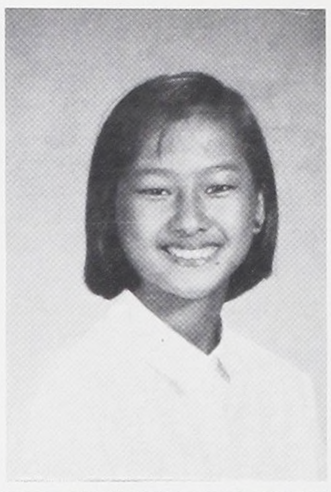

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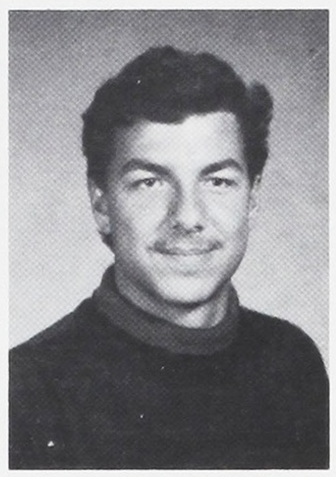
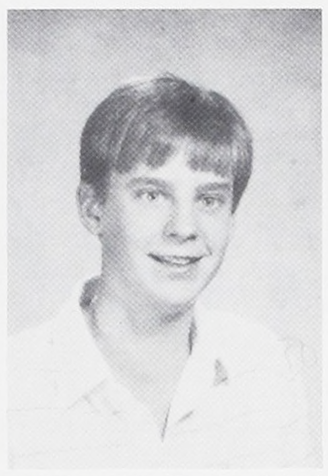

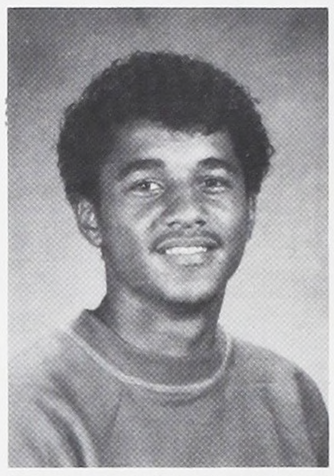

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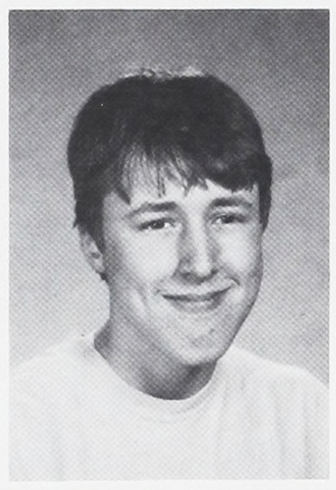

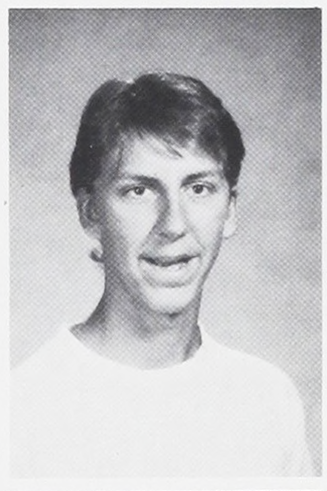
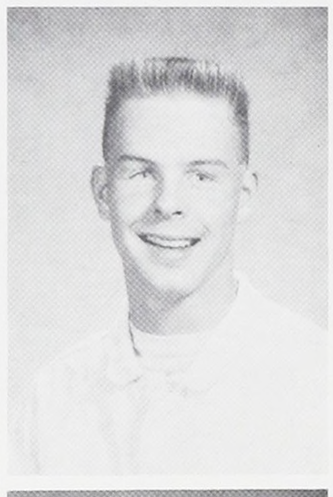
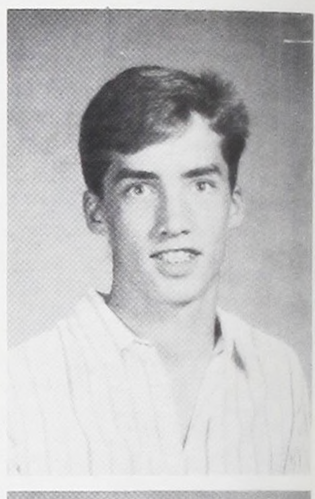

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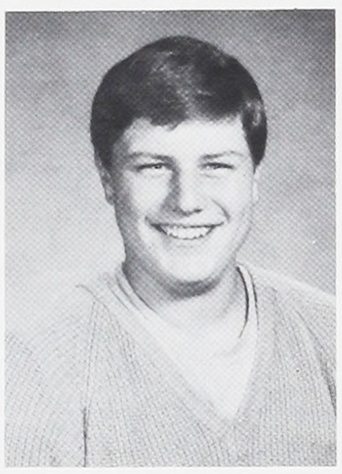
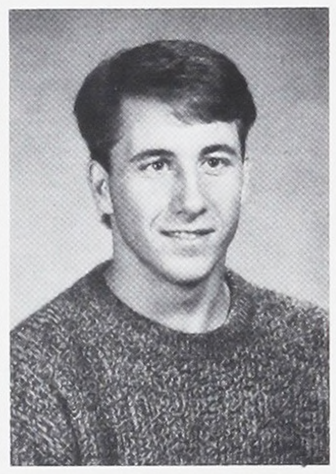
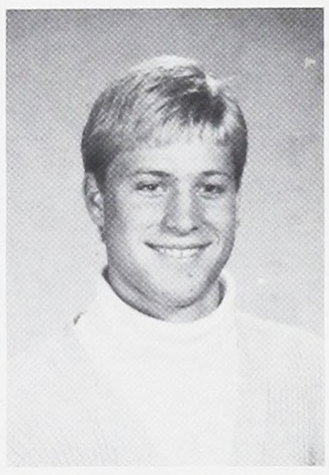

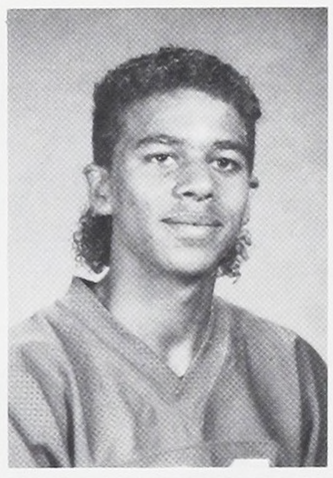
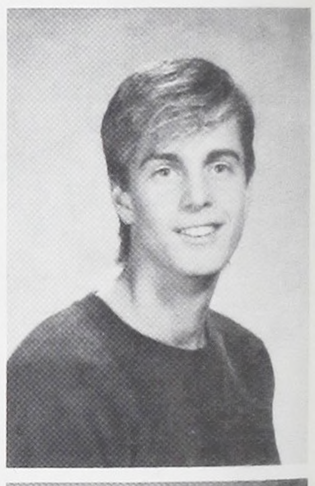

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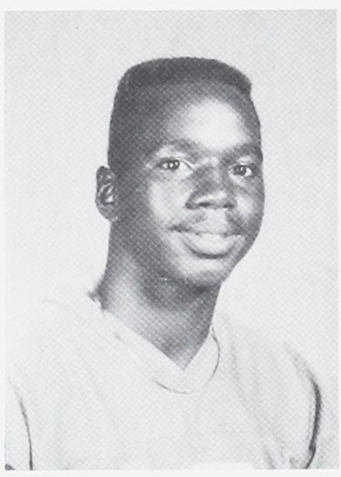

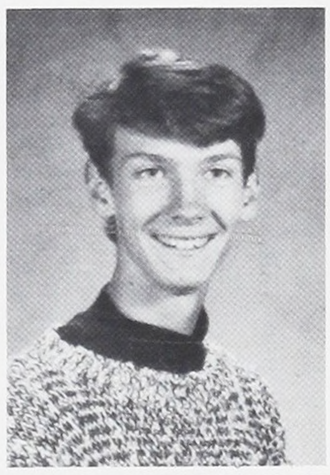

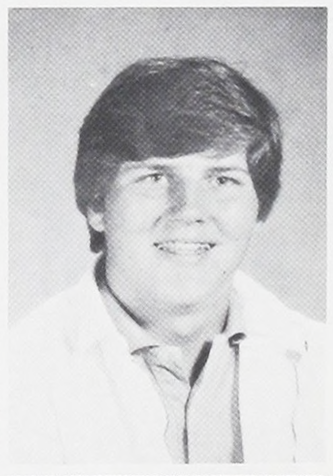
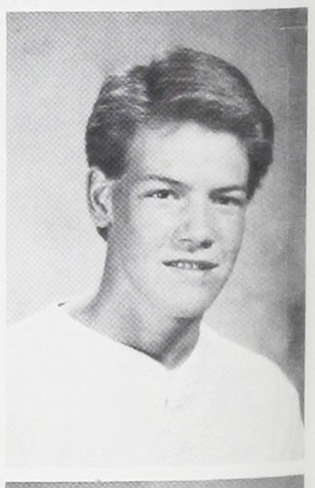

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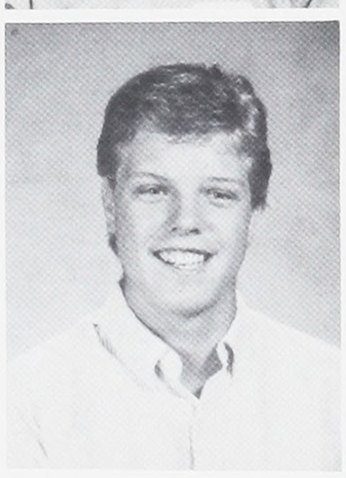

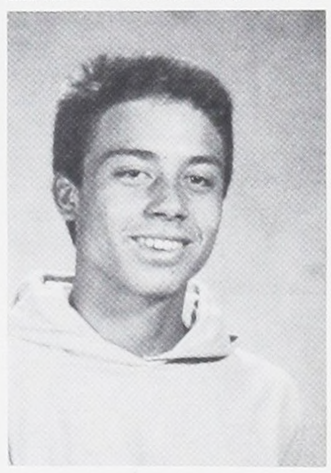

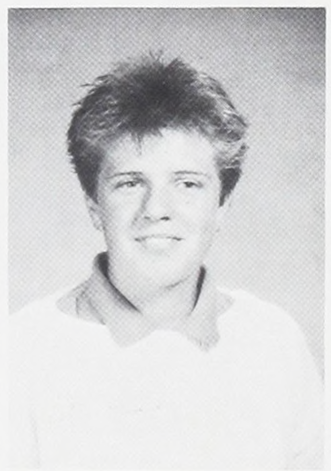
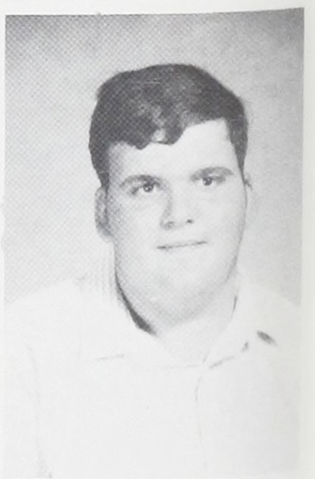

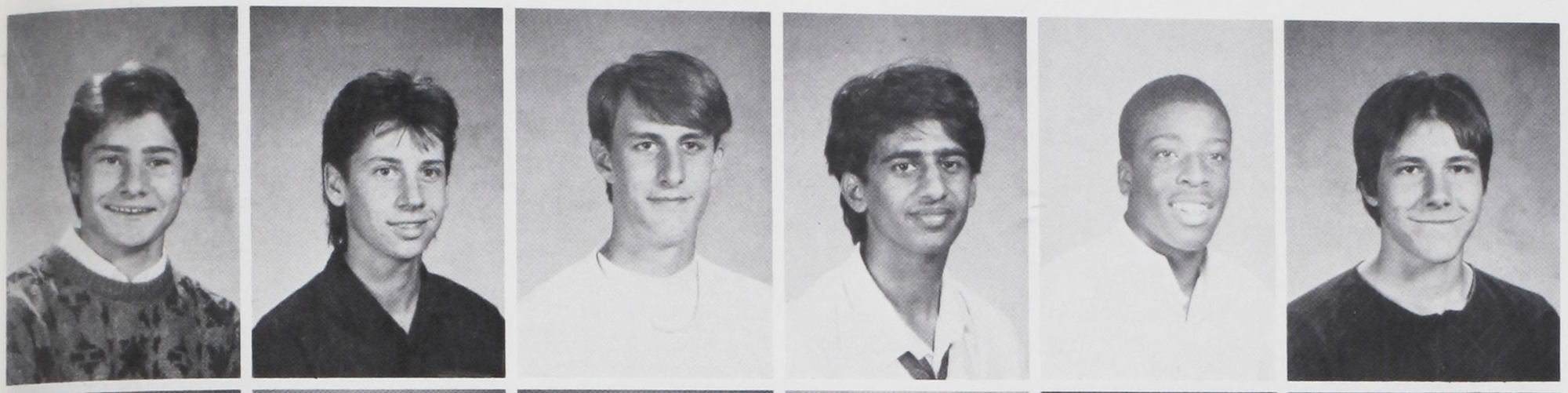

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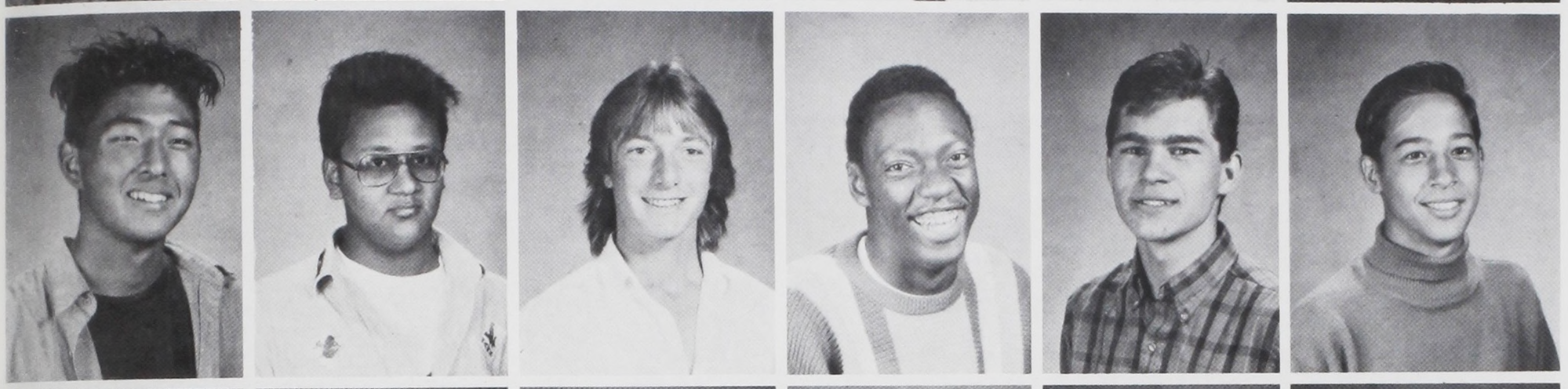

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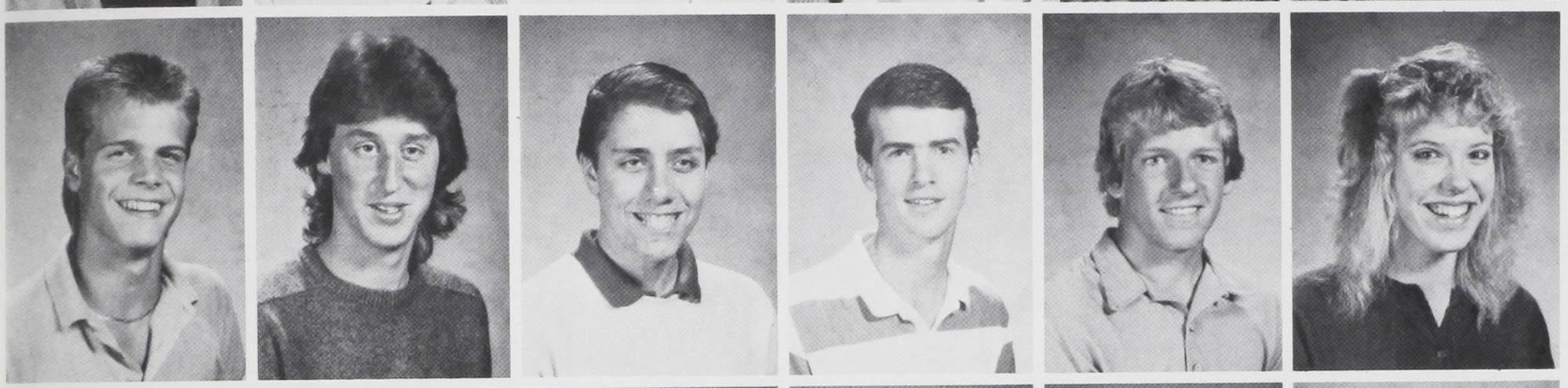

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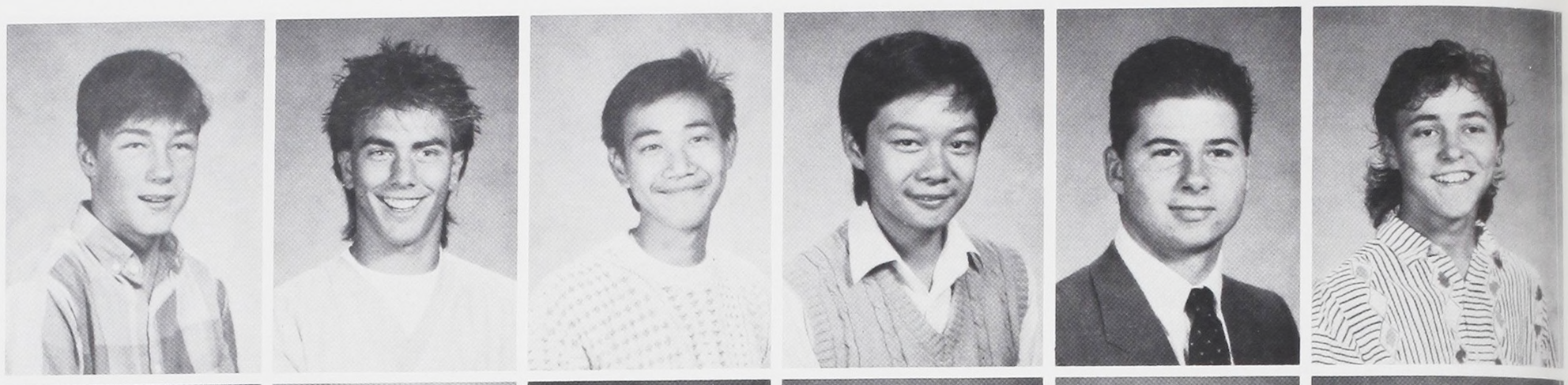

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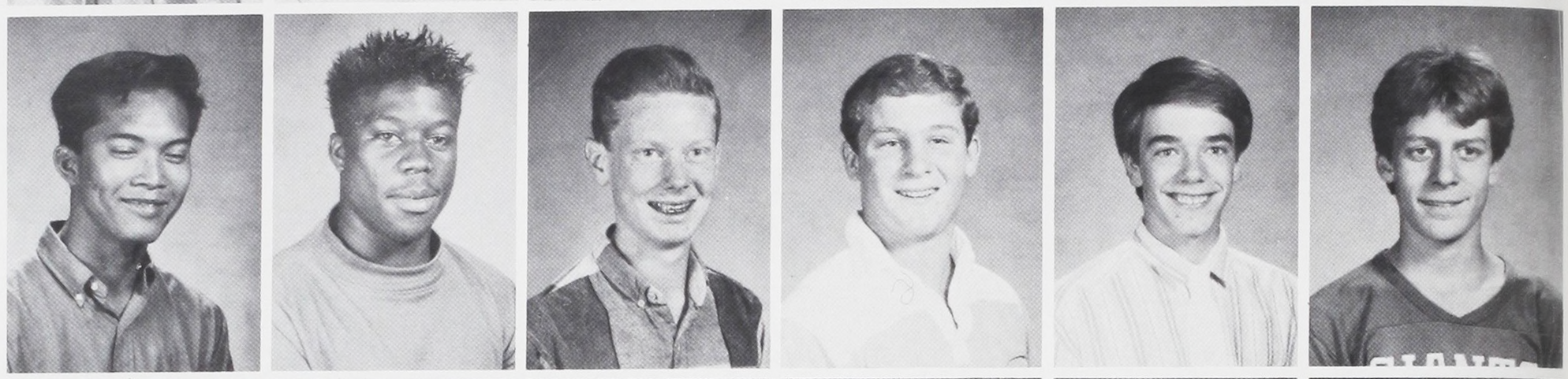

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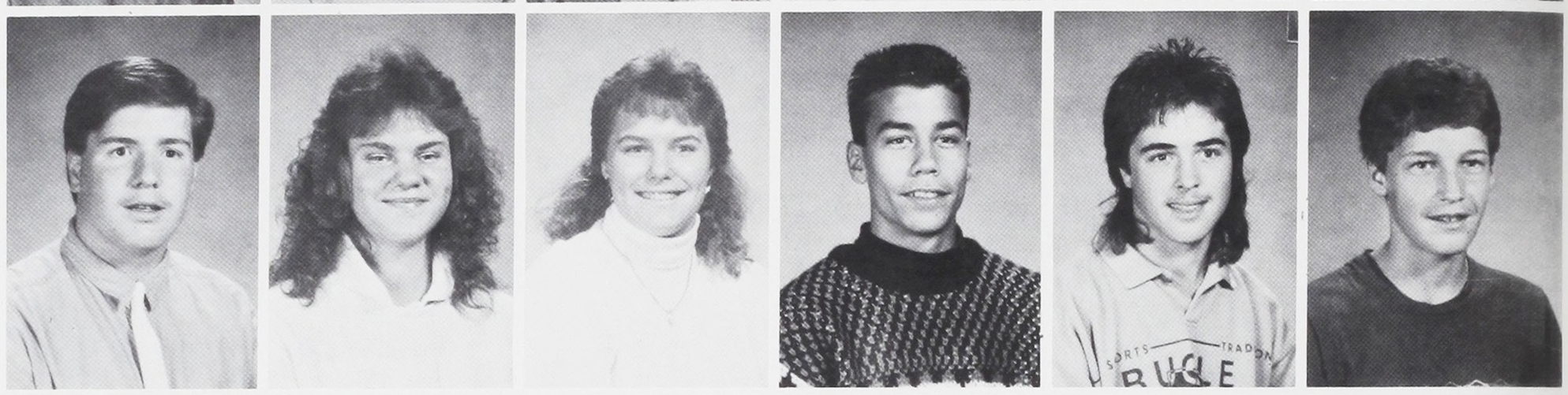

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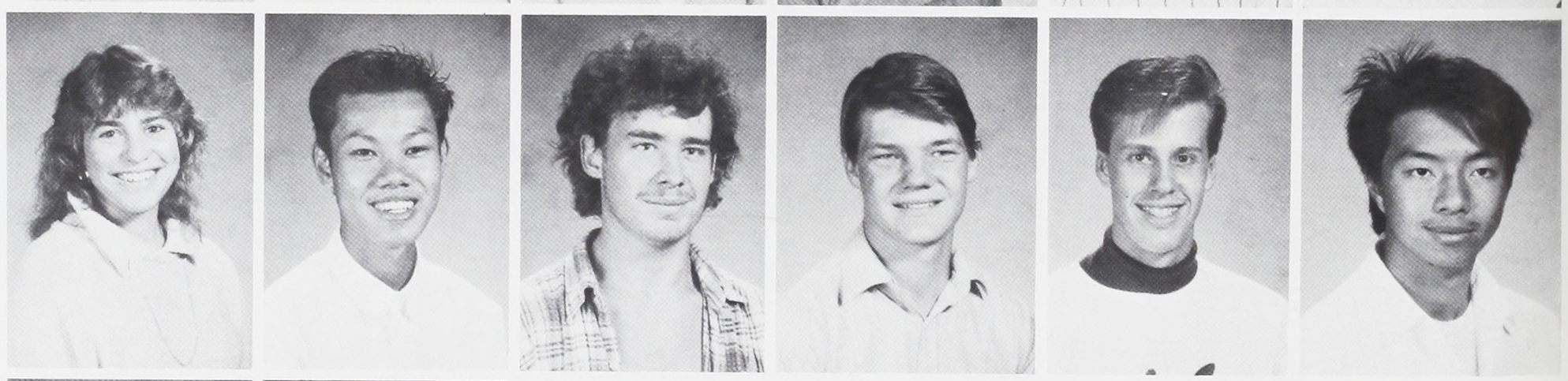

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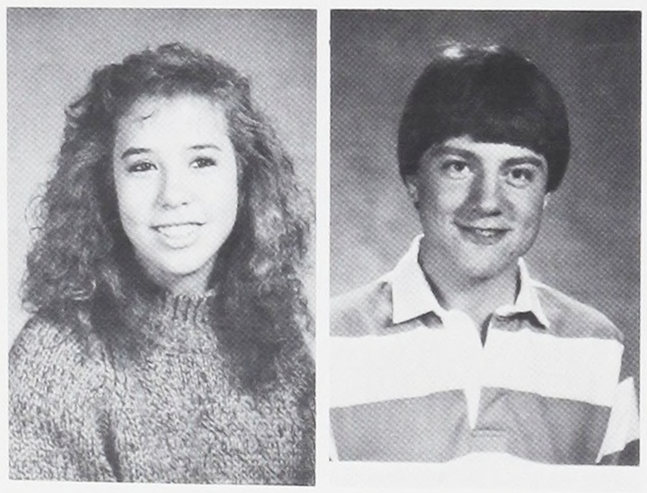

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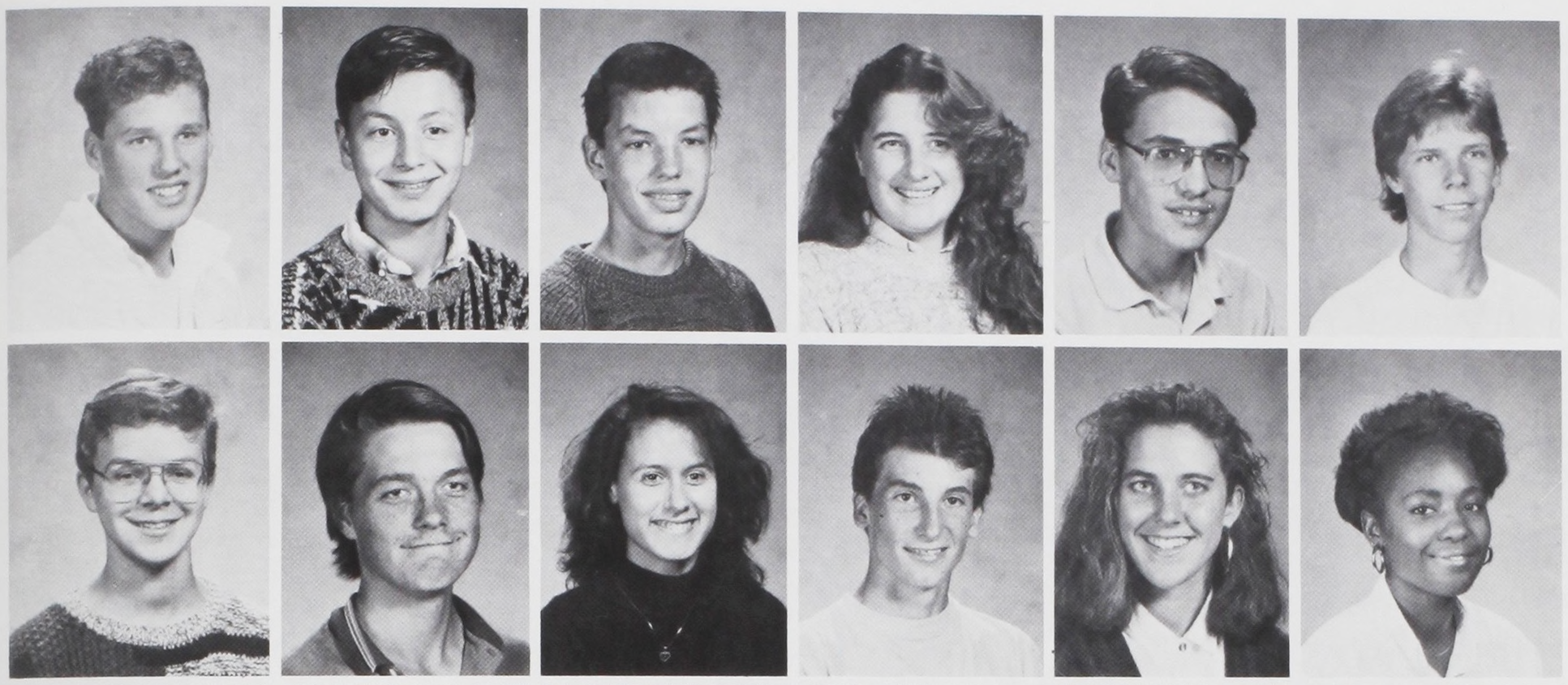

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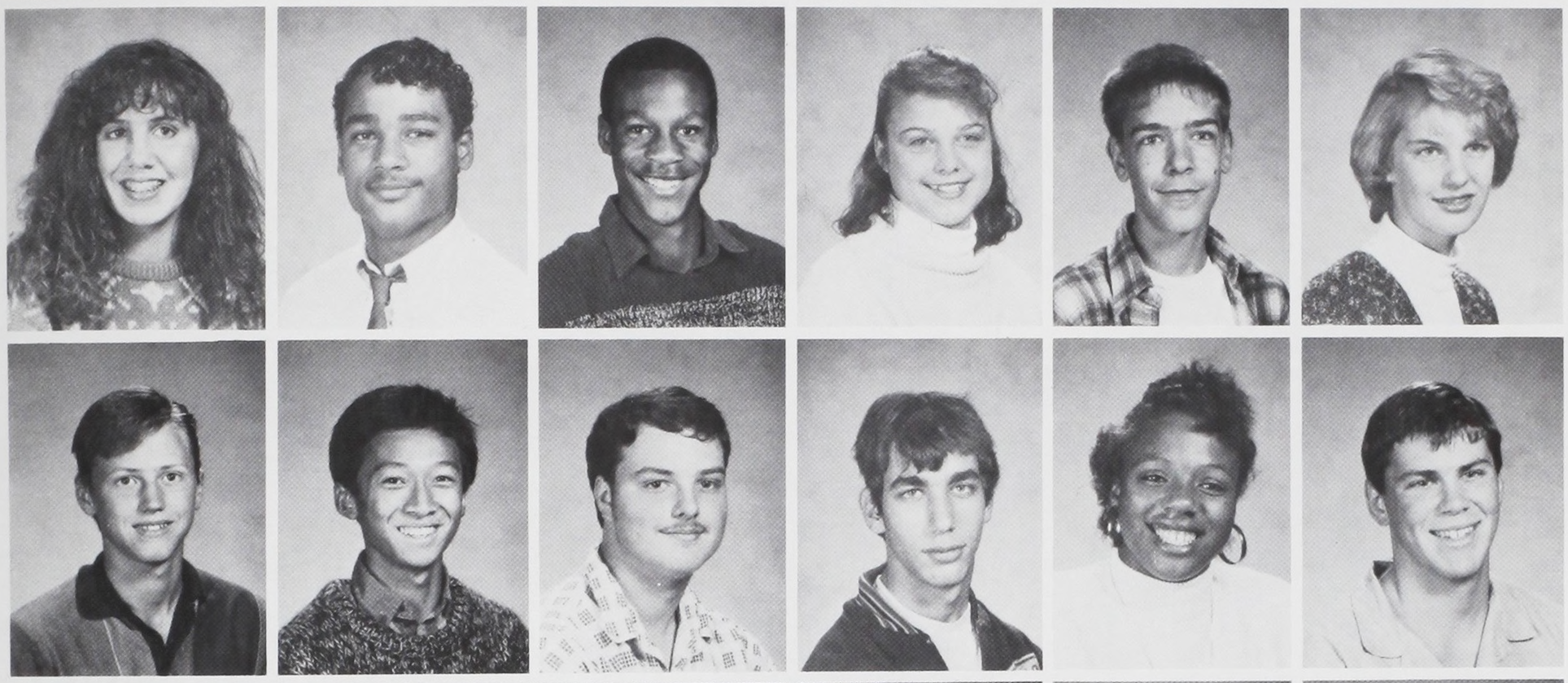

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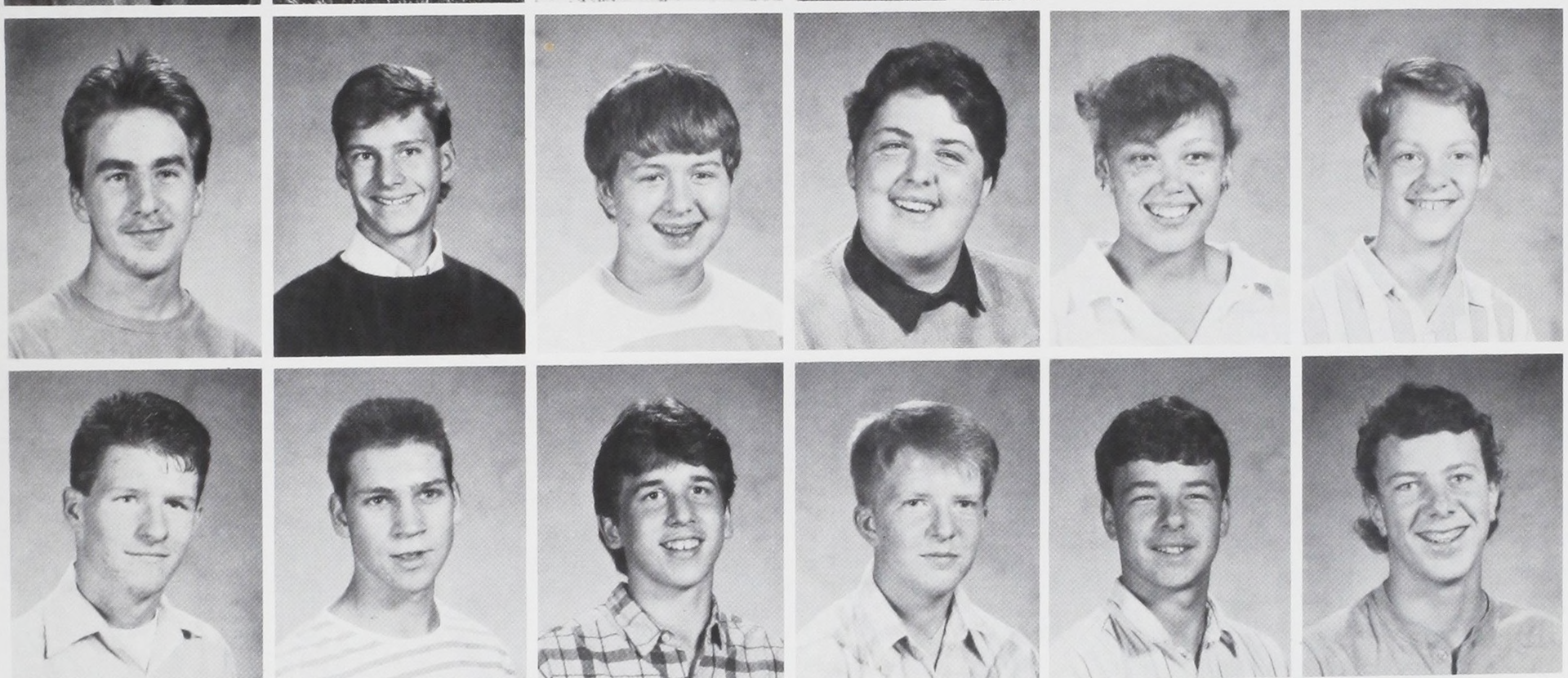

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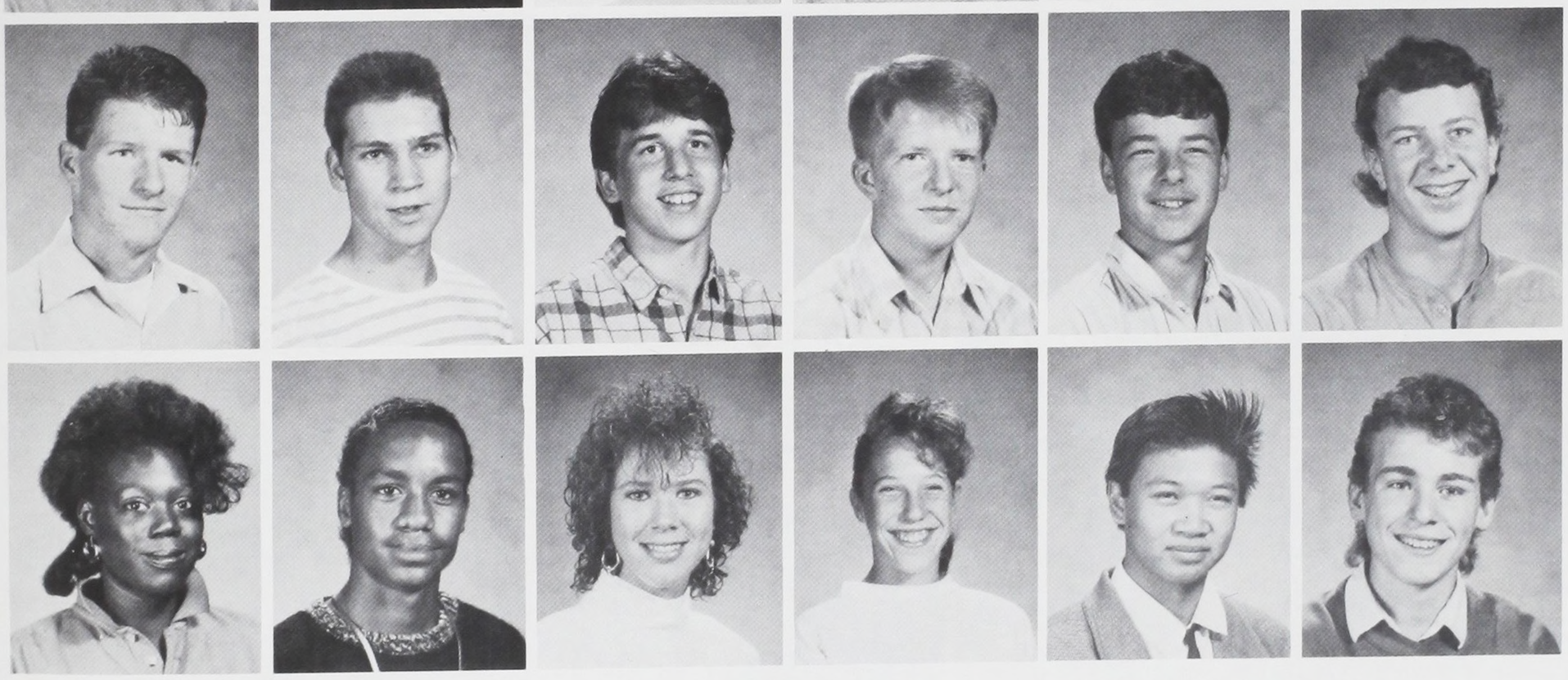

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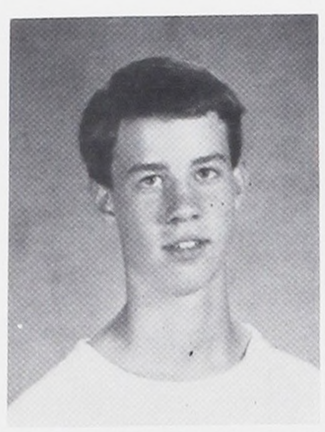
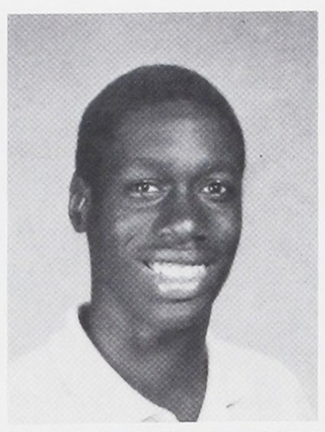
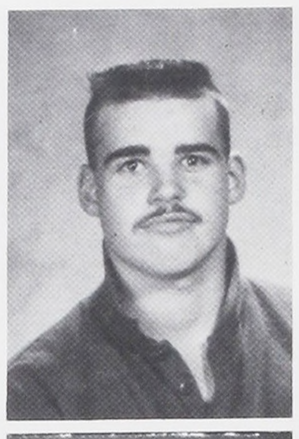

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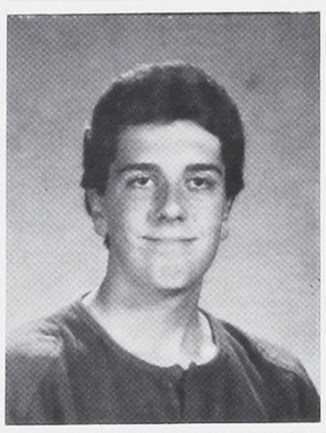
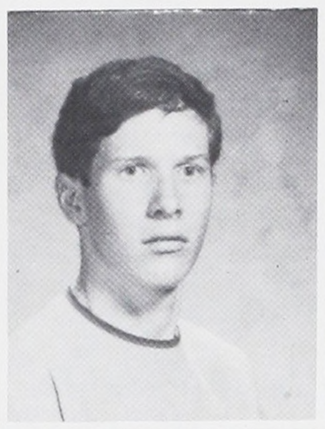

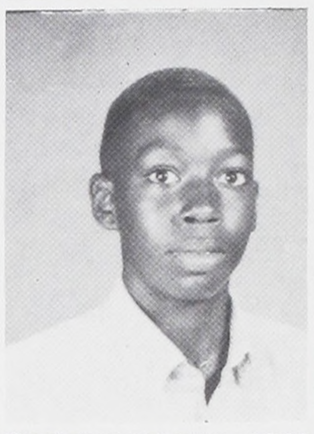

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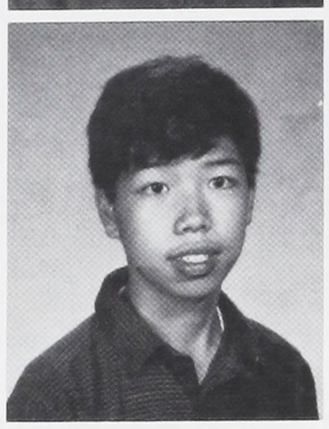
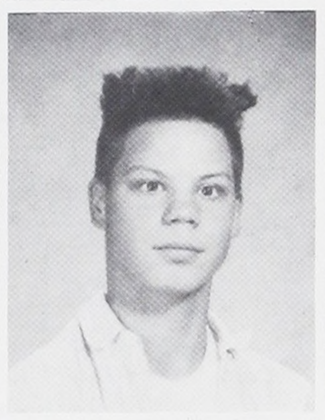

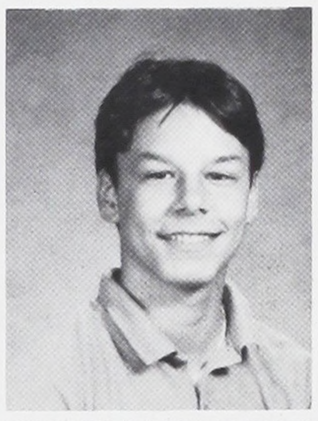
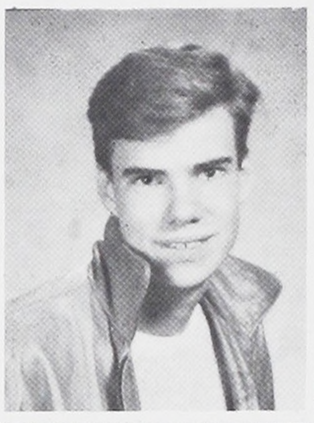

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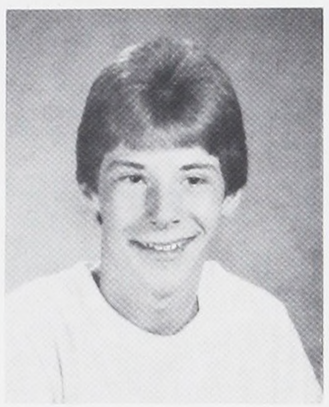
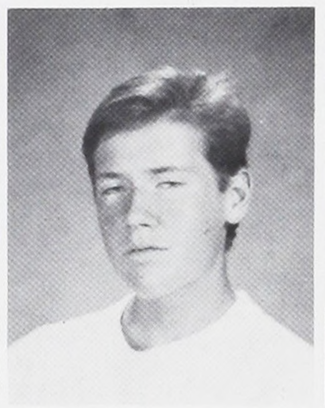

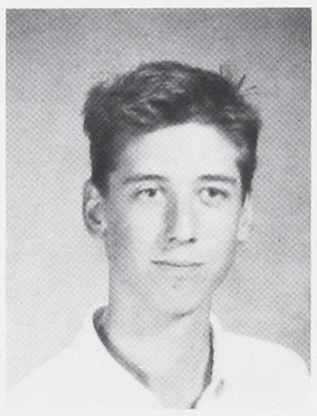
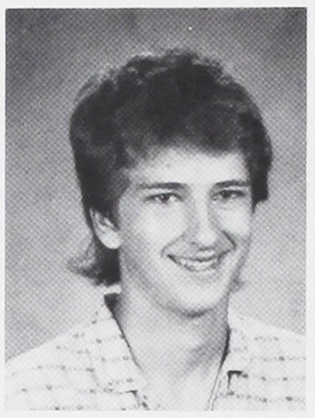

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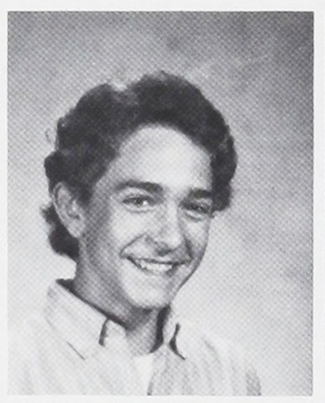
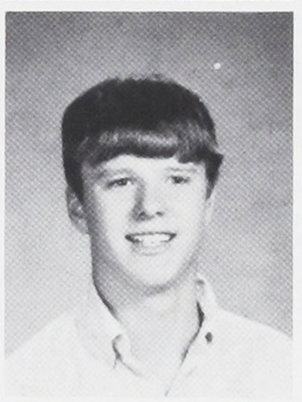

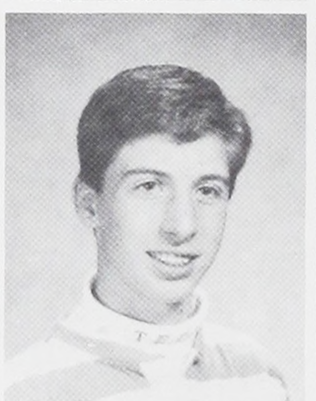
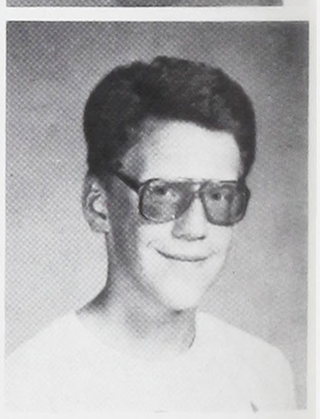

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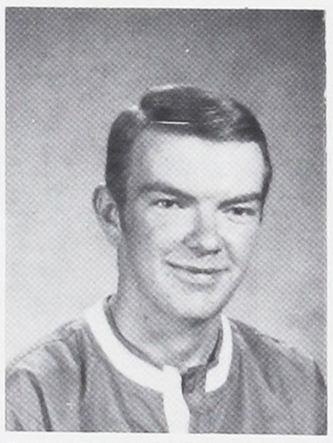

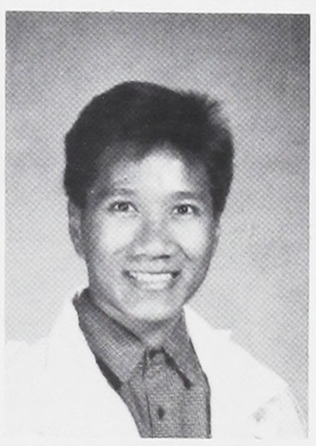

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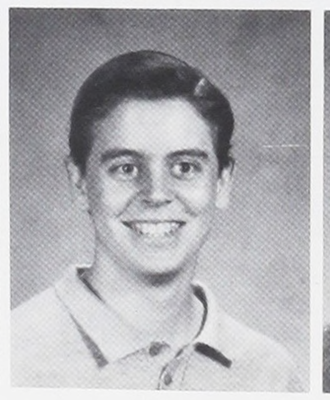
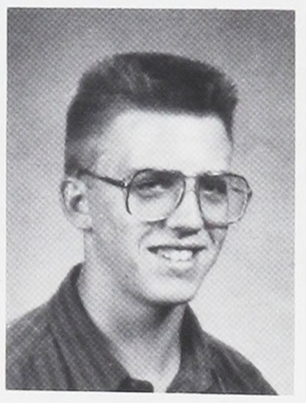

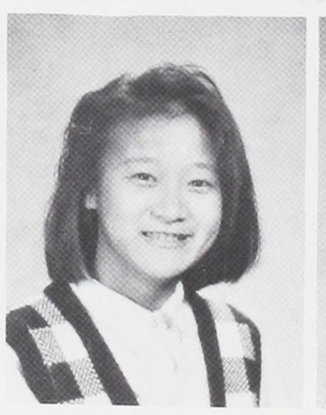
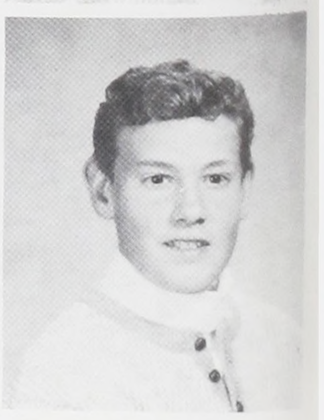

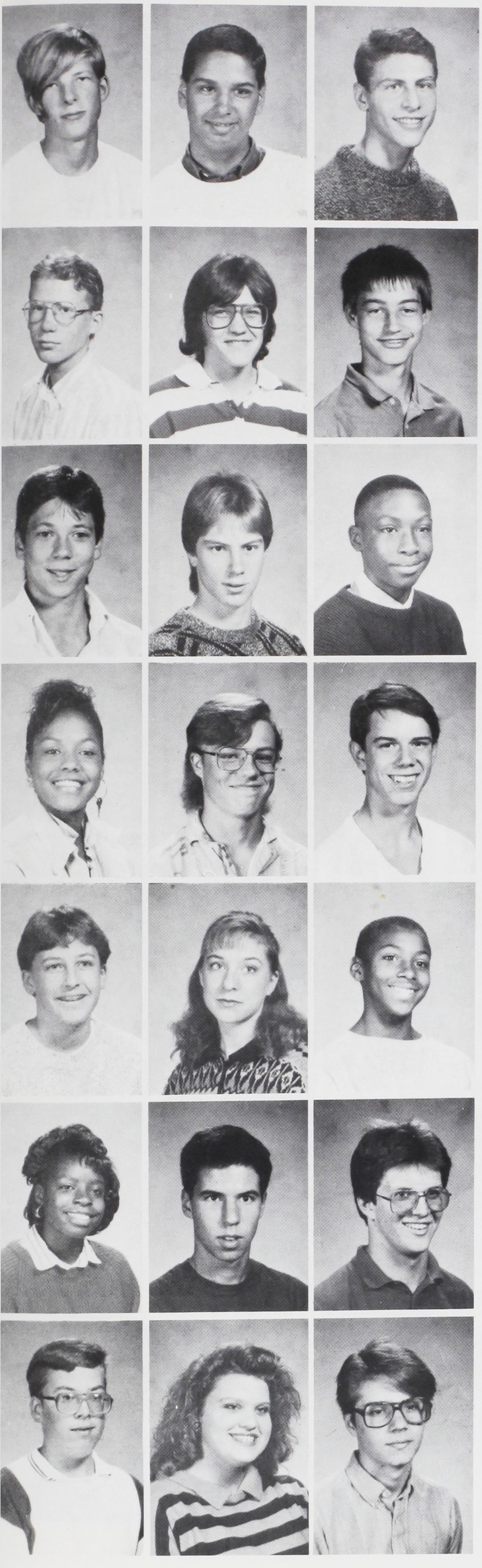

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Jeff Fox
Teresa Franklin
Derick James Freeman

YOU TELL US

Why did you choose Benson?

Patrick Kneeland

"I didn't know what I wanted to do and Benson had the most choices."

Wanda Rapae

"I didn't want to go to my neighborhood school — yuk!"

Jensen Ling

"Benson offers a medical program and first hand experience."

Dale John Frentress
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Michael Friolo
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Jason A. Fulmer
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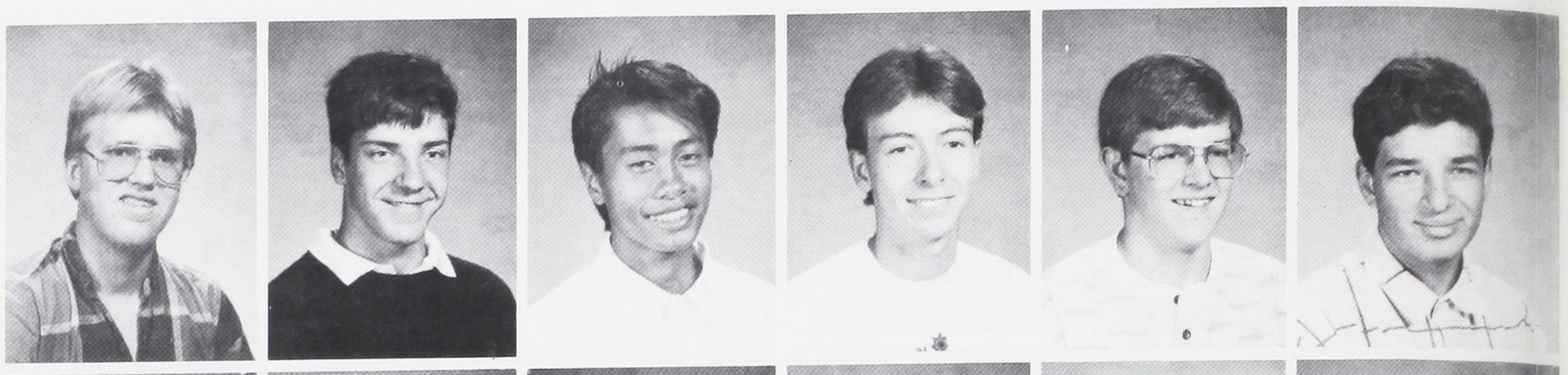

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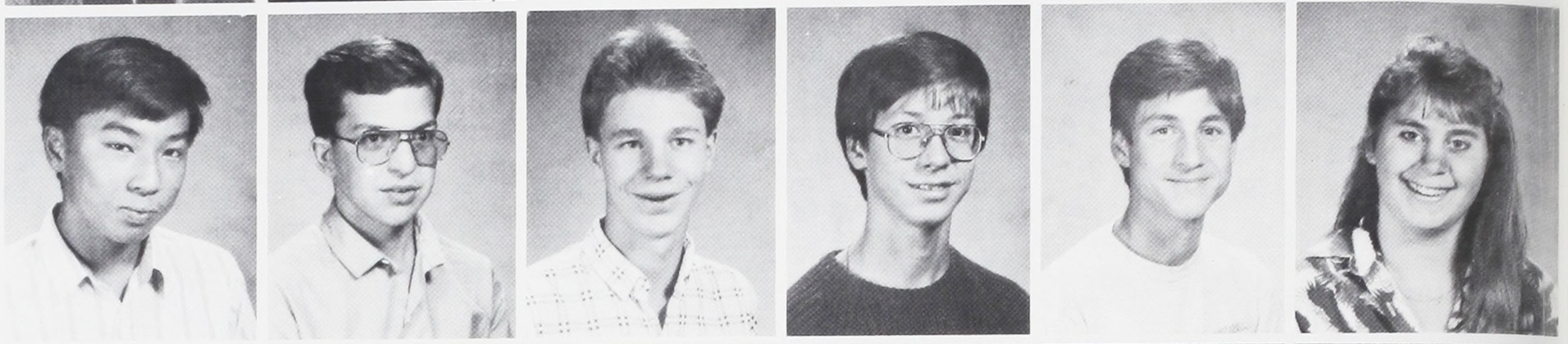

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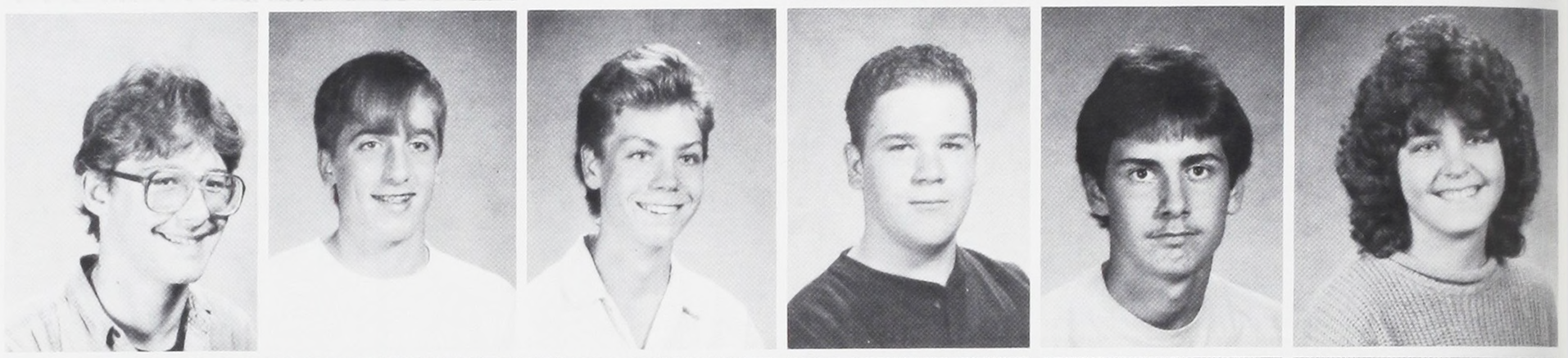

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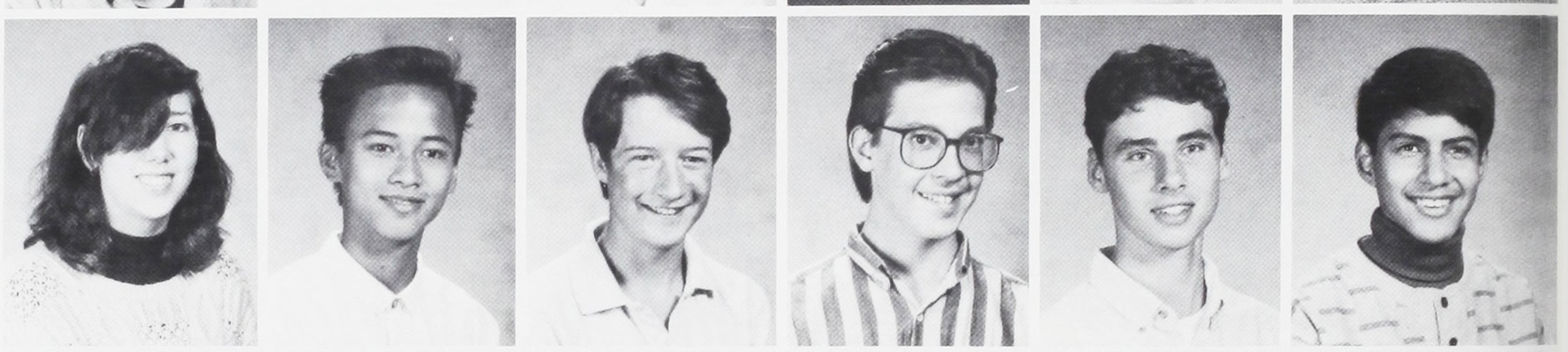

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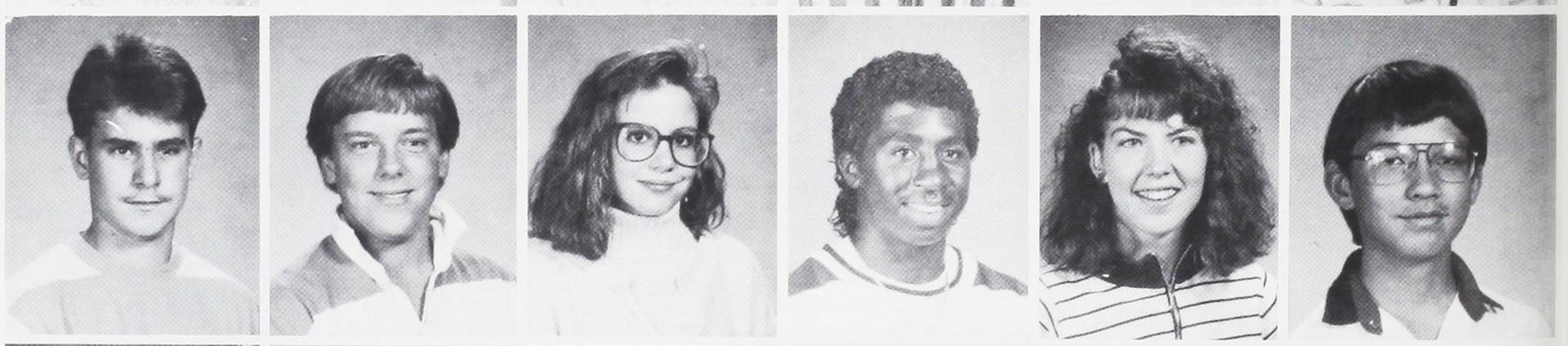

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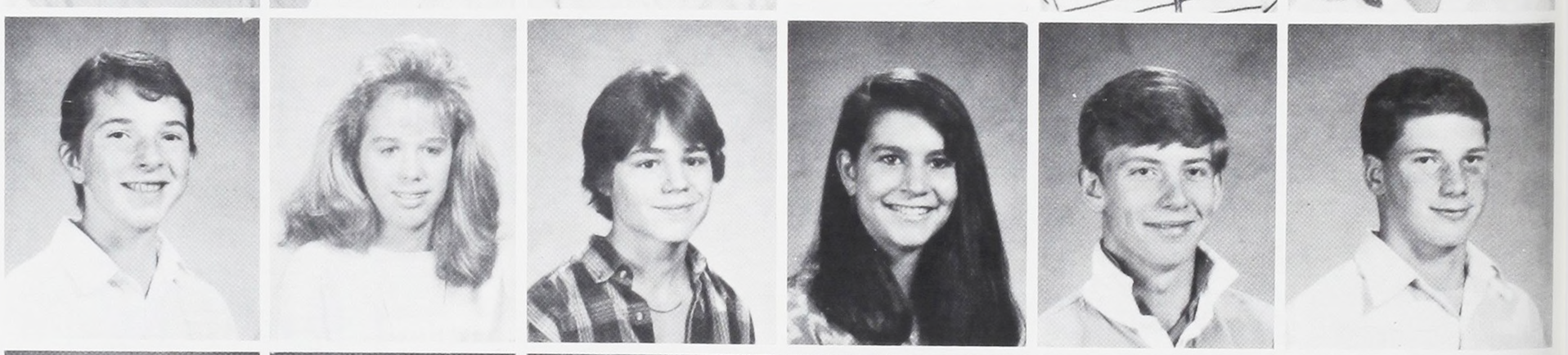

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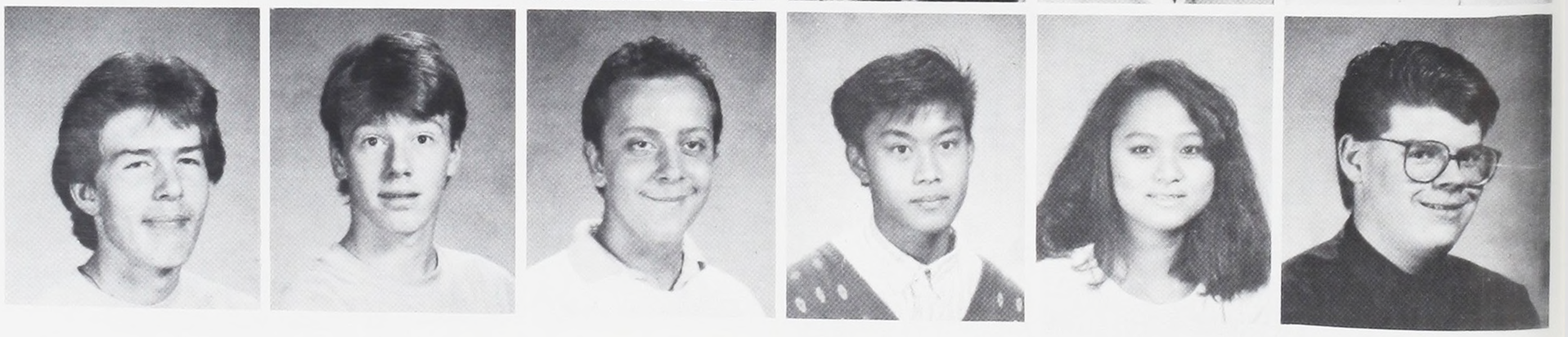

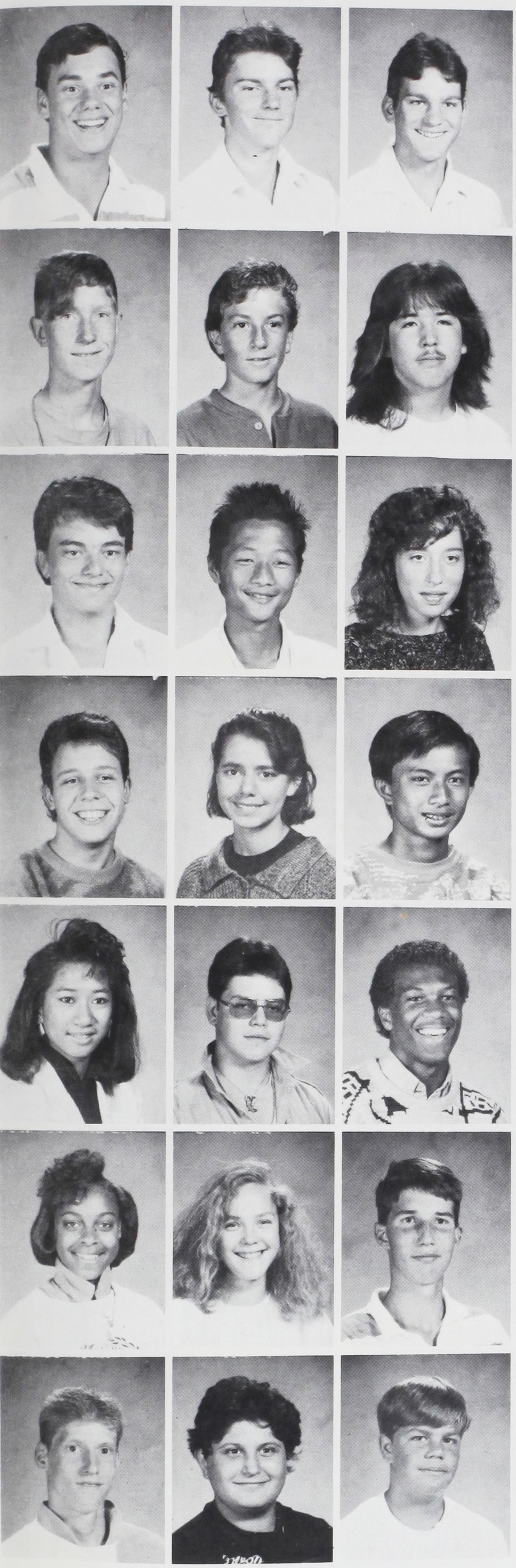

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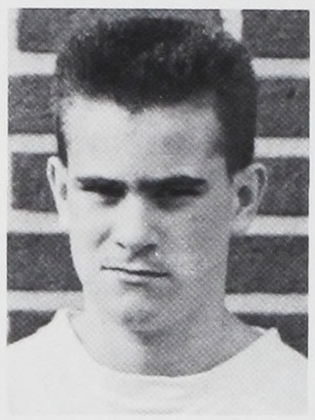
YOU TELL US

What was your most difficult adjustment to high school?



Mike Guerricagoitia

"All the school work and having to study for exams."

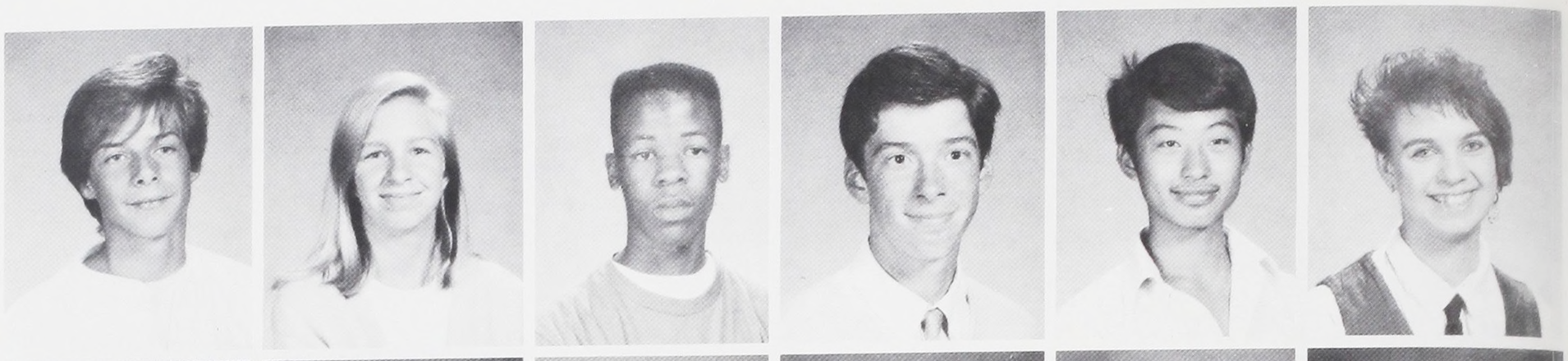
Steve Kehm

"The friends I've made live so far from me."

Jennifer Canevari

"Getting up at six o'clock in the morning."

Steven Kehm
Amanda Kelley
Dantae S. Kelsaw
Patrick D. Kneeland
Steve Kyong Kwak
Mary B. Kwapich



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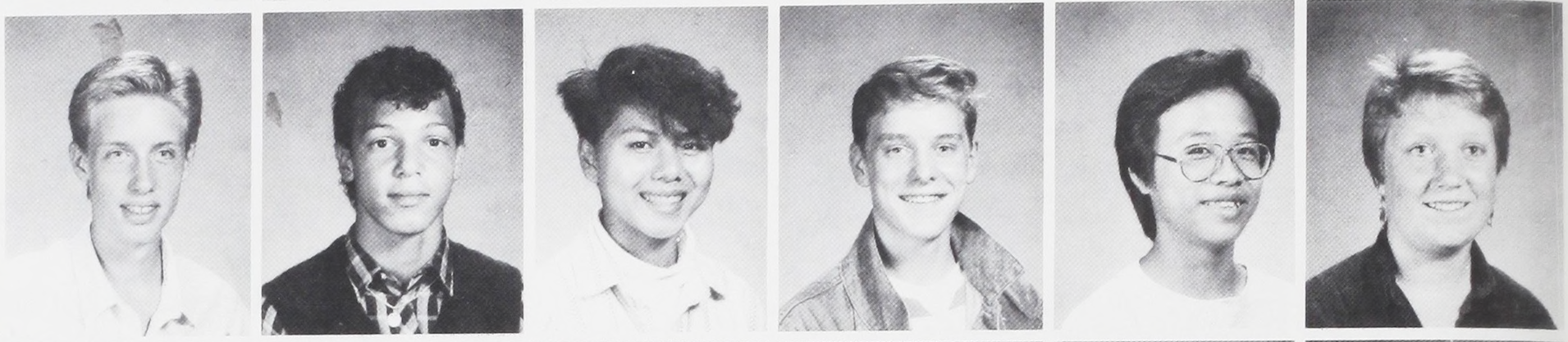

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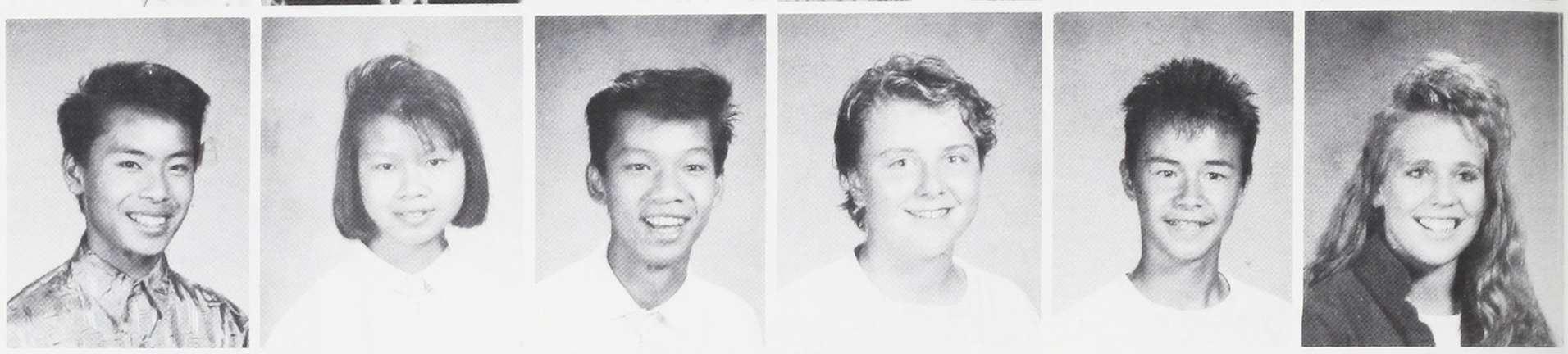

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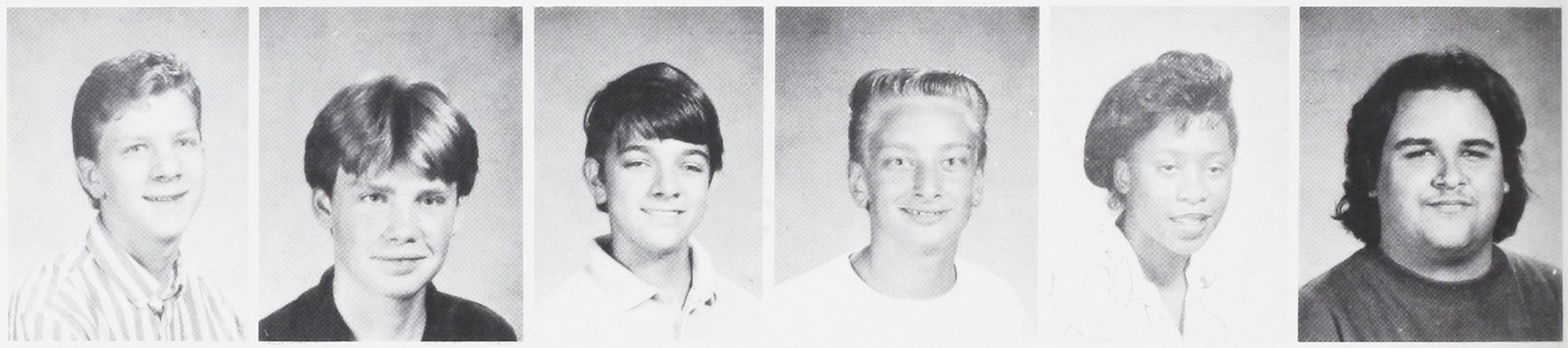

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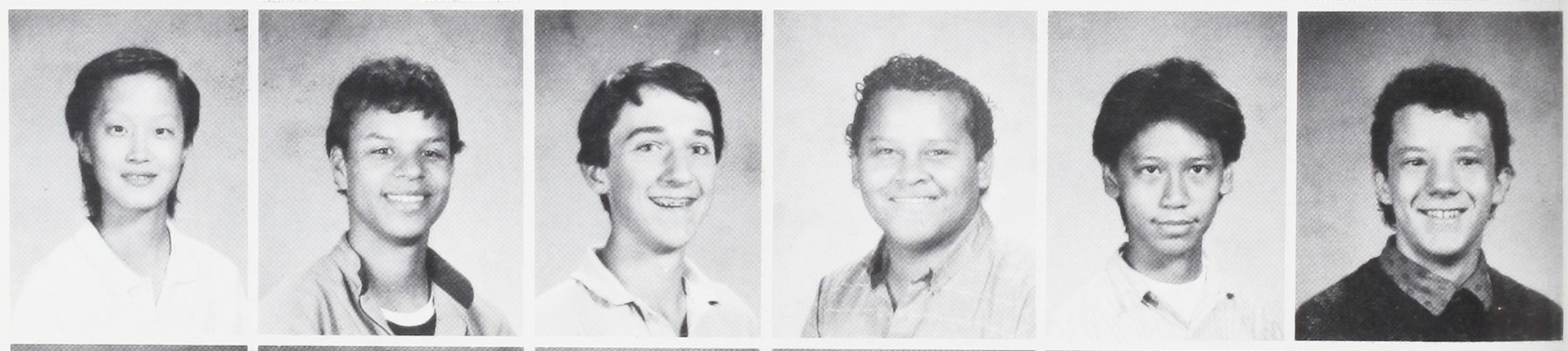

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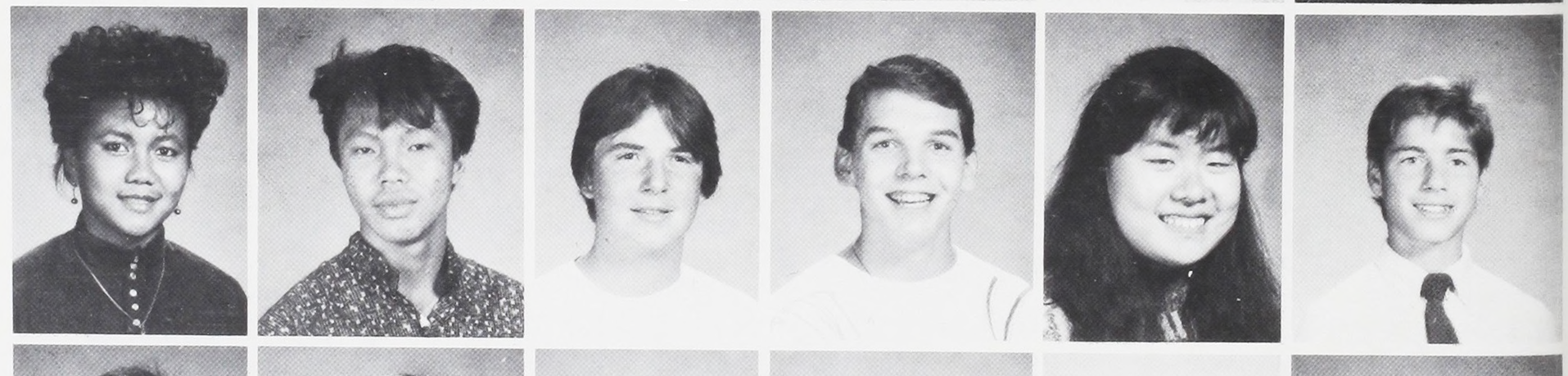

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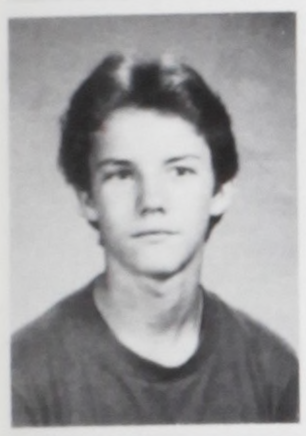

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William M. Mundy
Olan Nelson Jr.
Bernadette Newville

Thanh Ngo
Bich Nguyen
Chi M. Nguyen

YOU TELL US

What do you like most about Benson?

Robyn Lecher

"The great sports program Benson has had for years — especially for girls."

Jason Hawke

"Going to Godfather's Pizza and playing video games."

Jon Angell

"Learning about the real world — about how everyday workmen put knowledge to work."

Cuong D. Nguyen
Cuong Van Nguyen
Phat M. Nguyen
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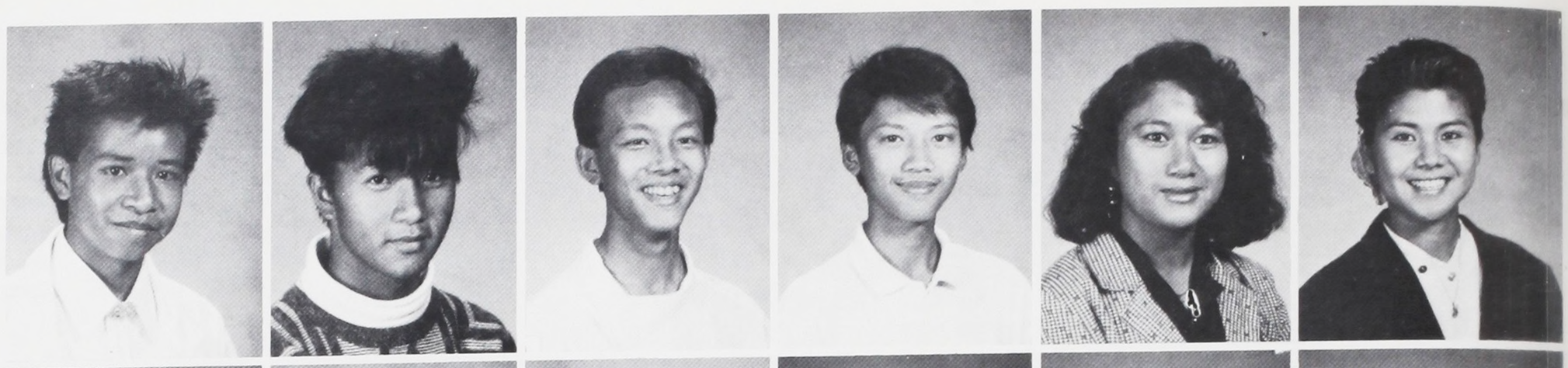
Thao Nguyen



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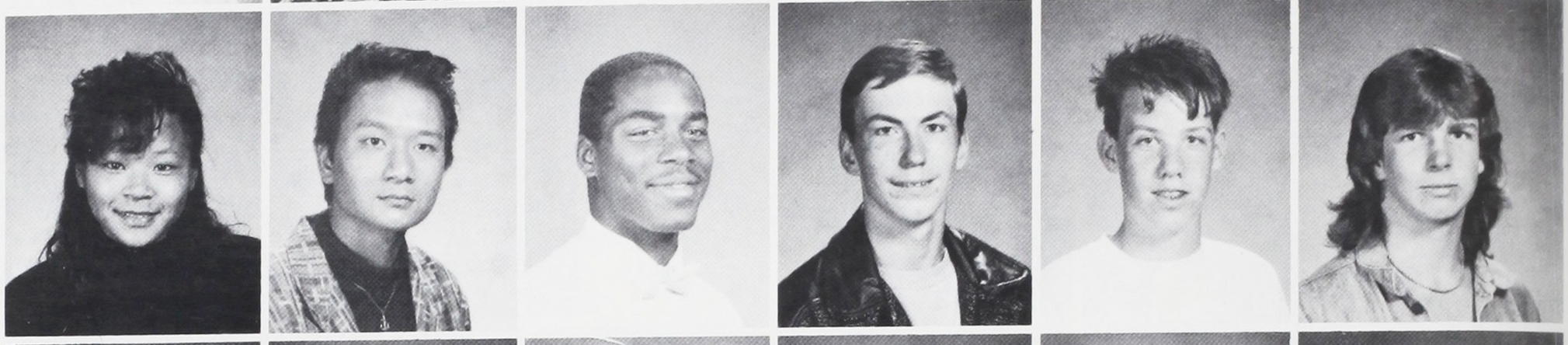

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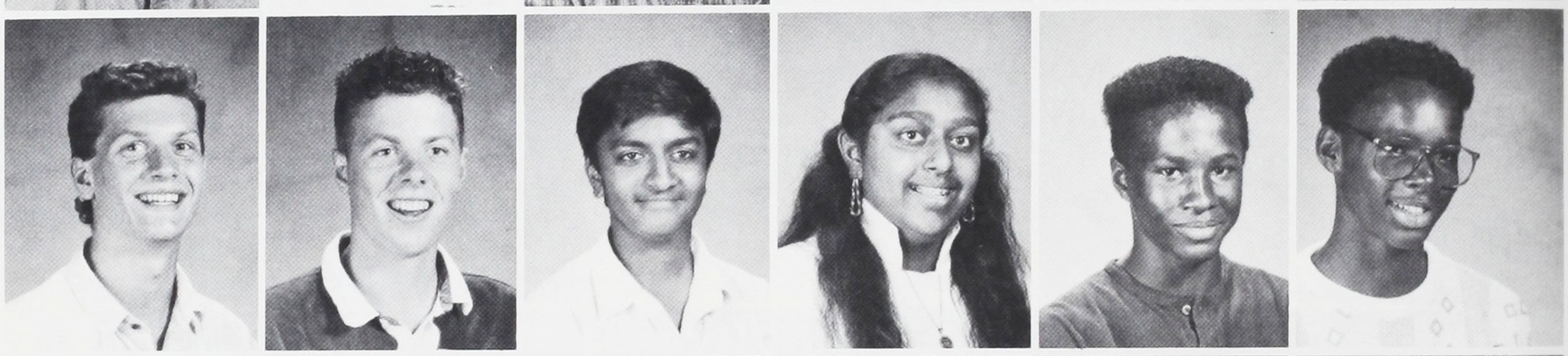

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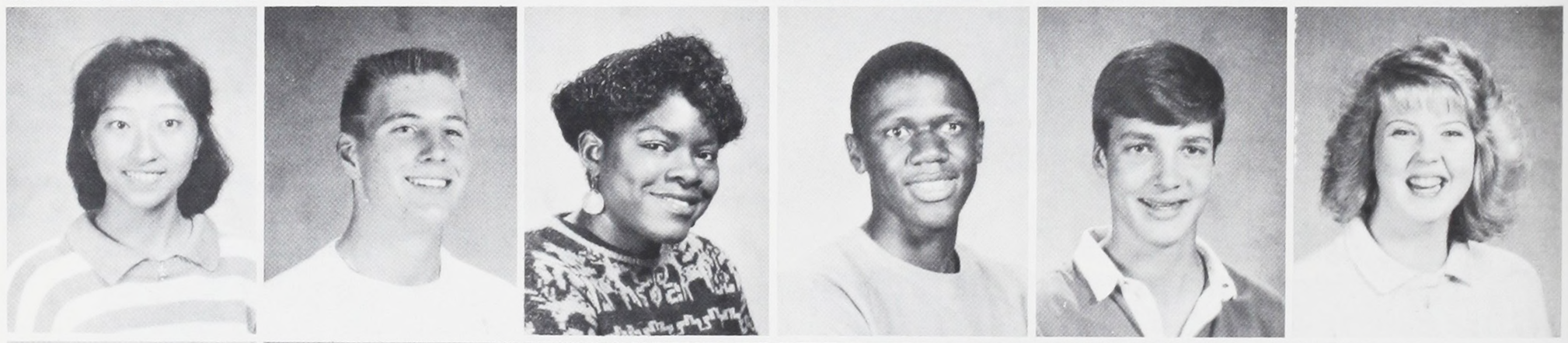

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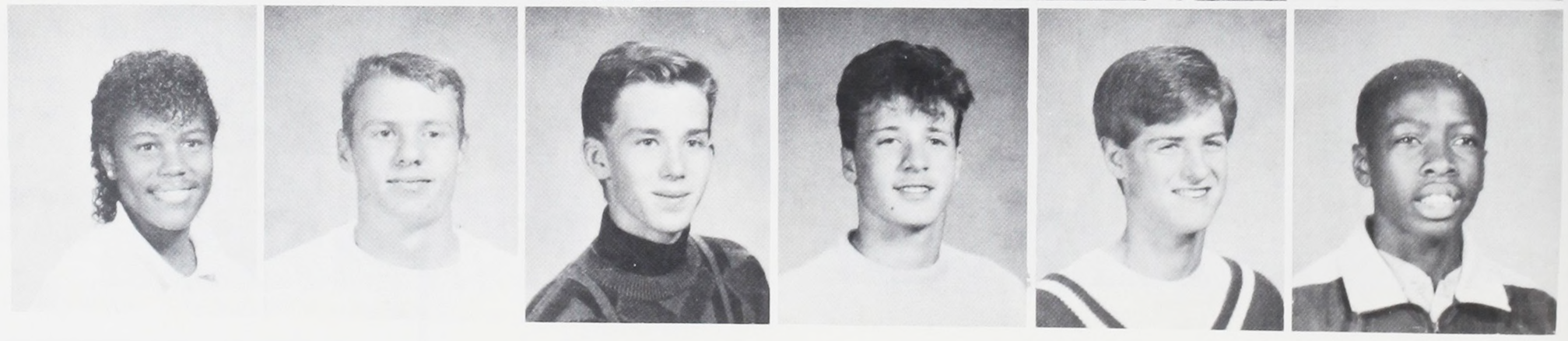

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Casey Robinson
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Tad S. Roisland
Roosevelt Ross III

Andrew Rother
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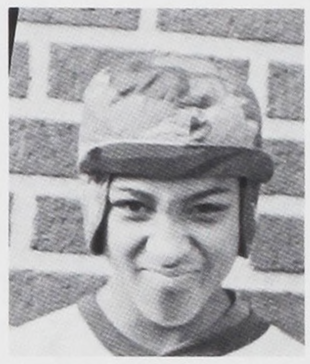
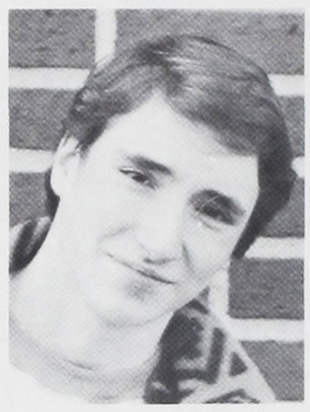
YOU TELL US

If you could change anything at Benson, what would you change?



Sekou Ford

"More girls!"



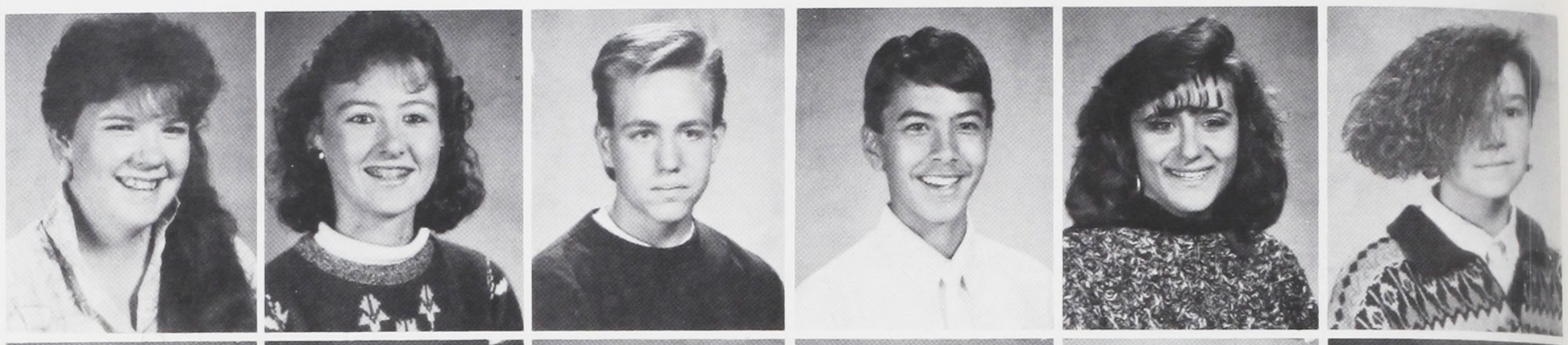
Michael Schneider

"Freshmen should be able to choose their own shops — then start their majors as sophomores."

Max Johnson

"I'd go over the rules and change those that really need revising."

Summer Marie Sahm
Stephanie Sandstrom
Matthew Sarina
Ken E. Sasaki
Shannon R. Scarth
Lea Schellhous



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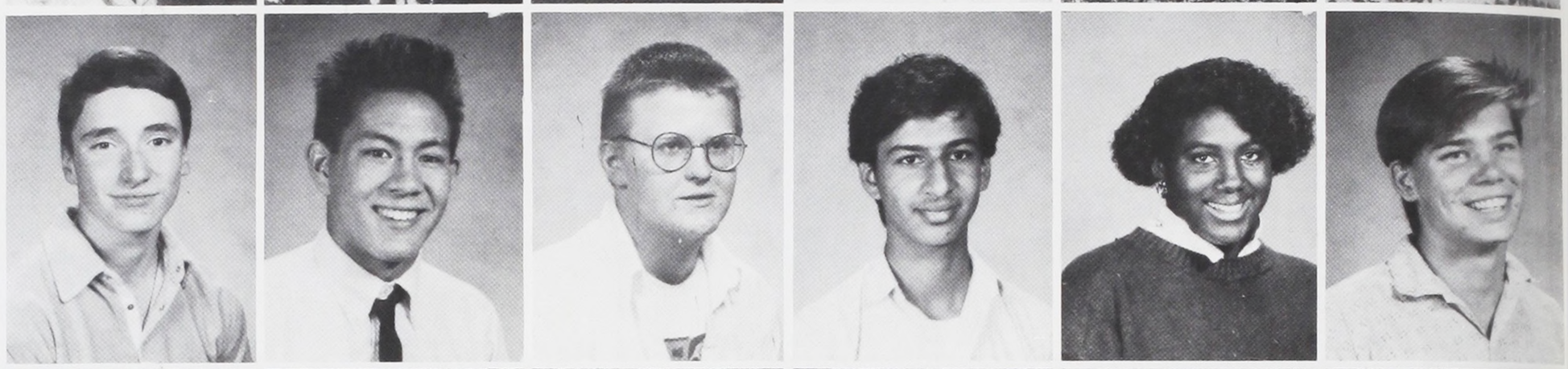

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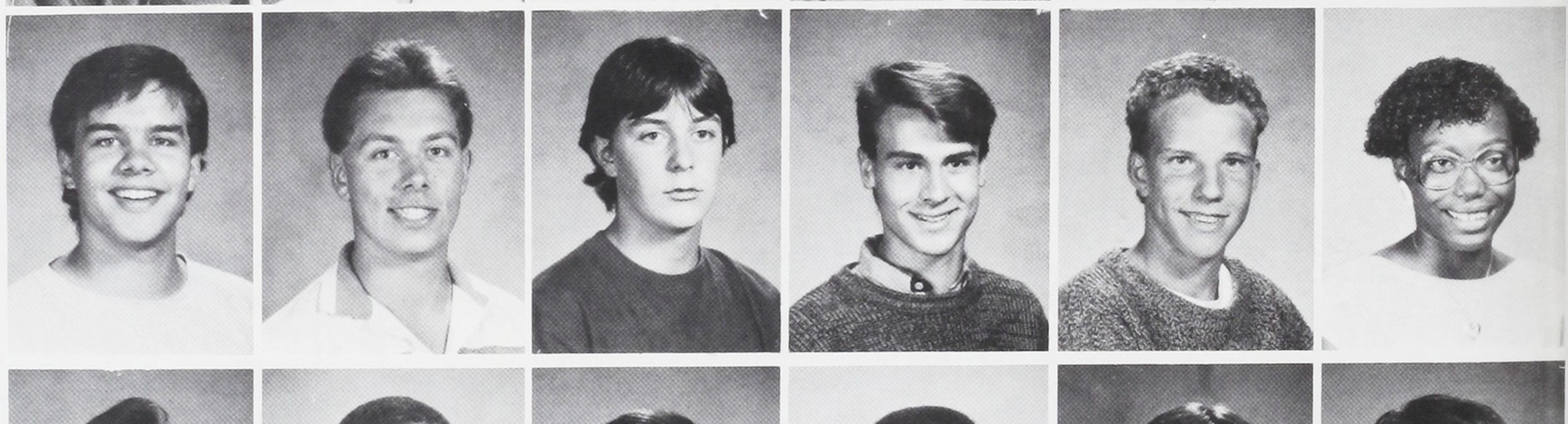

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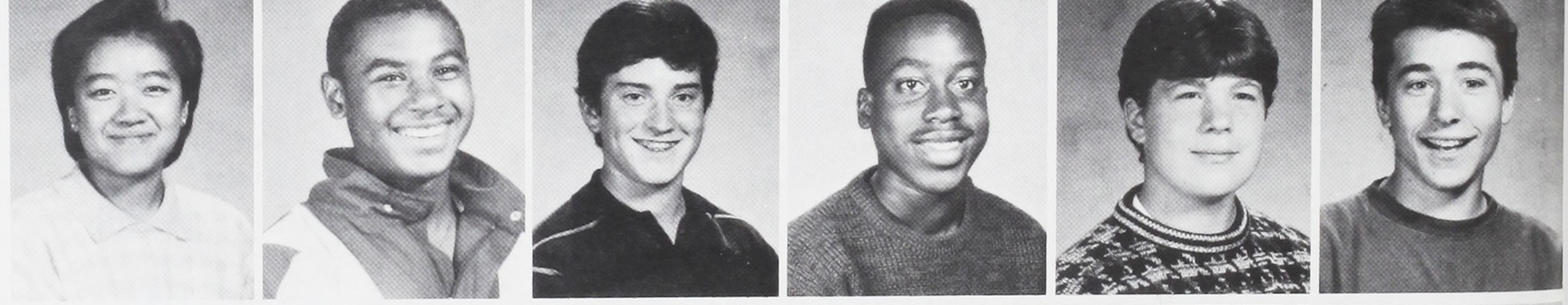

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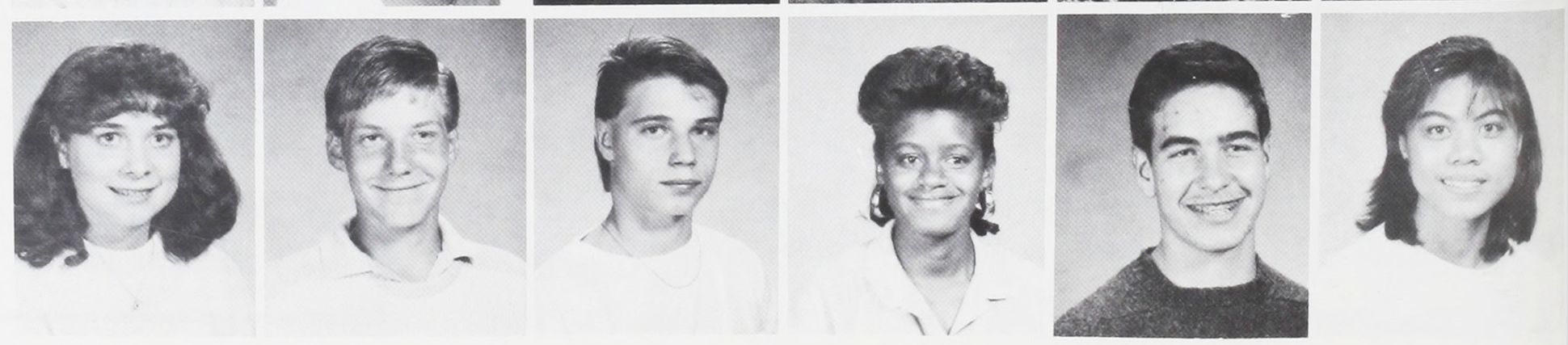

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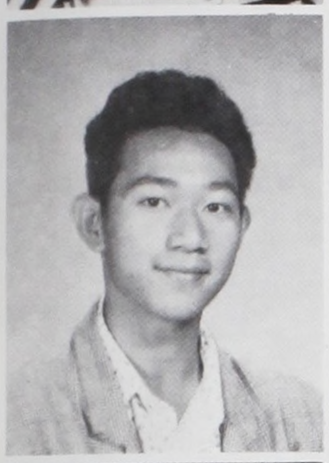
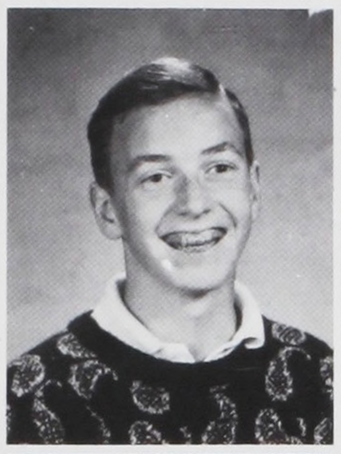
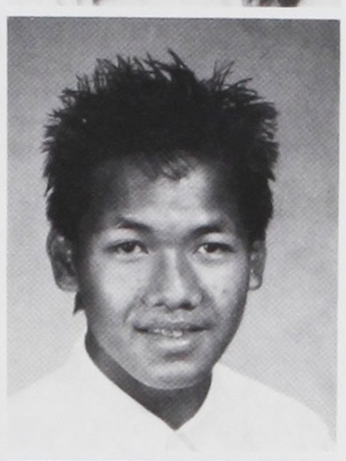

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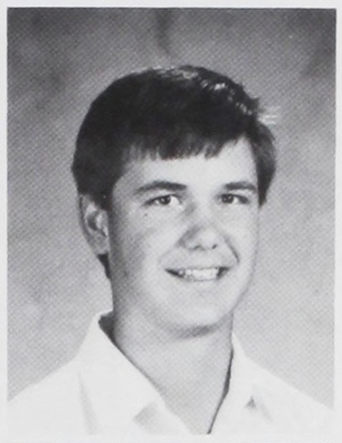

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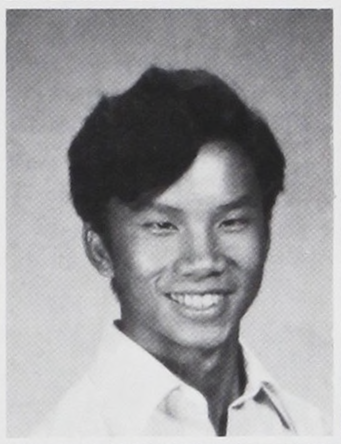

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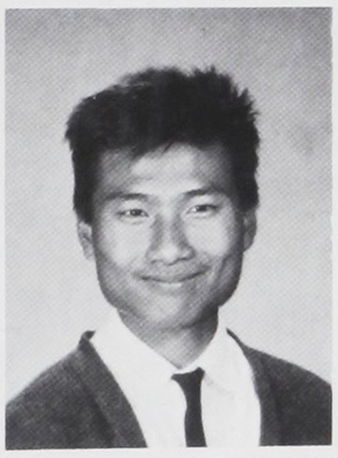
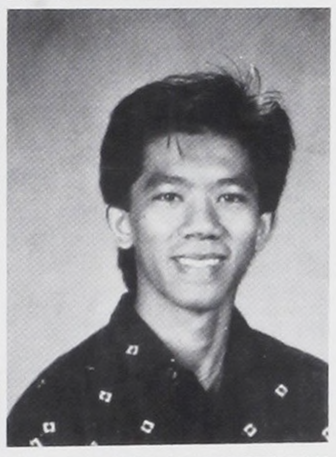

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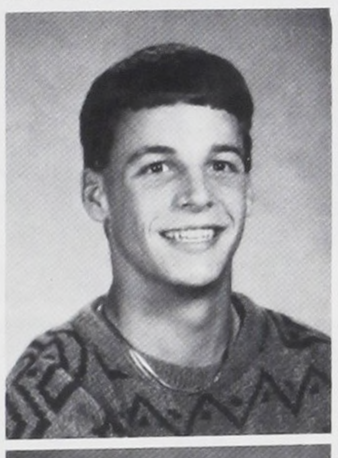
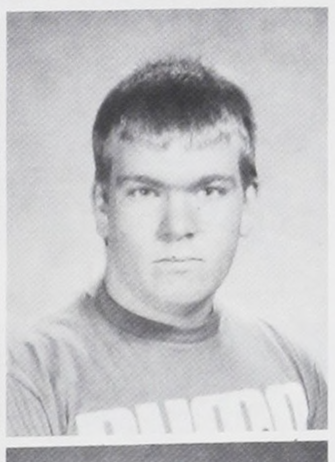

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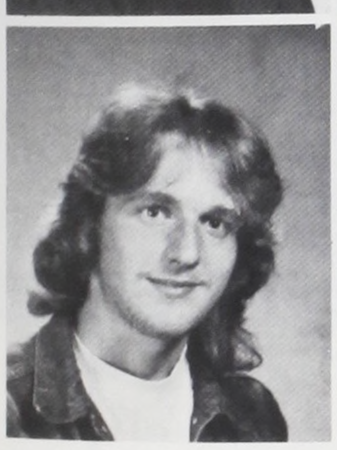

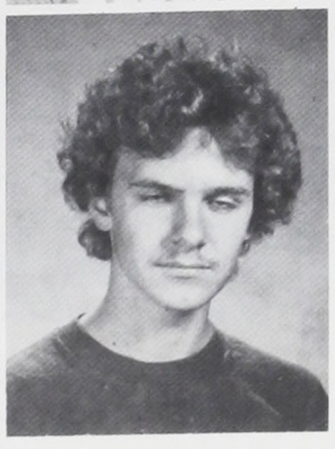

Doug Walters
Carrie Ward
Mathew Ward

YOU TELL US

What do you look forward to as a junior or senior?

Jake Olsen

"Being able to drive to skate spots rather than to skate to them."

Dana Crawford

"Prom, graduation, and going to college."

Jason Fouts

"Making the varsity baseball team."

NOT PICTURED

Lavell Alexander
Damian Bailey
Christopher J. Bixby
Michael Blackwood
Austin Dunn
Leslie Gorans
Marty Hale
Charles Hendrickson
Matthew N. Jensen
Tanna K. Johnson
Christian Jorgensen
Jeffrey B. Judge
Carey Lee Lish
Edwardo Lona
Dustin McAndrew
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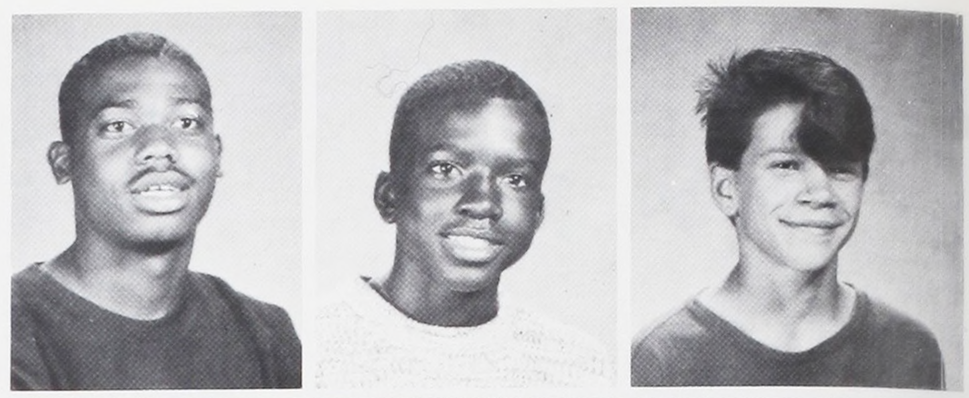

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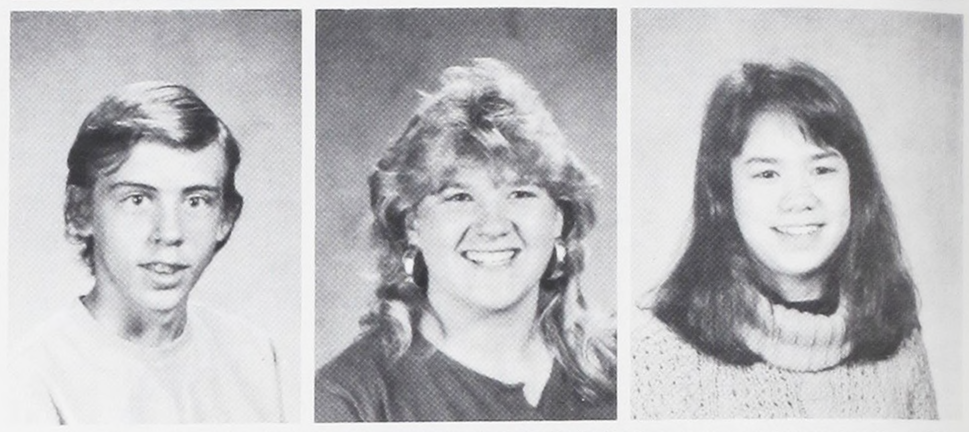

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Orlando Williams
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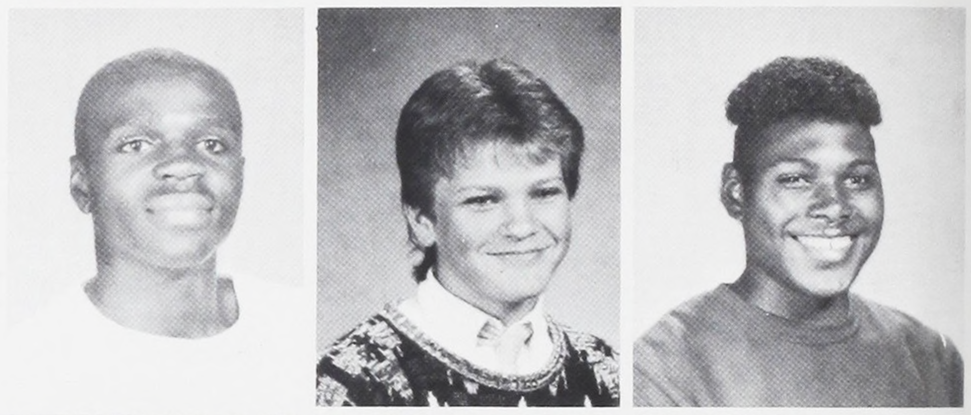
Torrance J. Wilson



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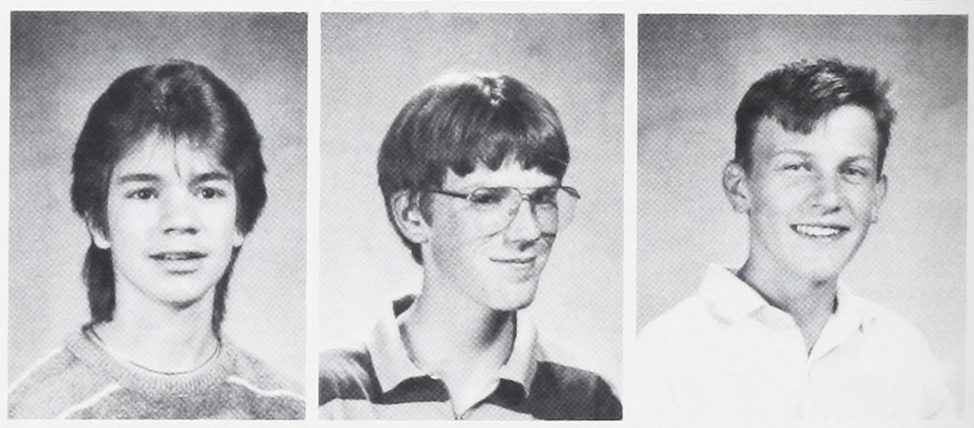

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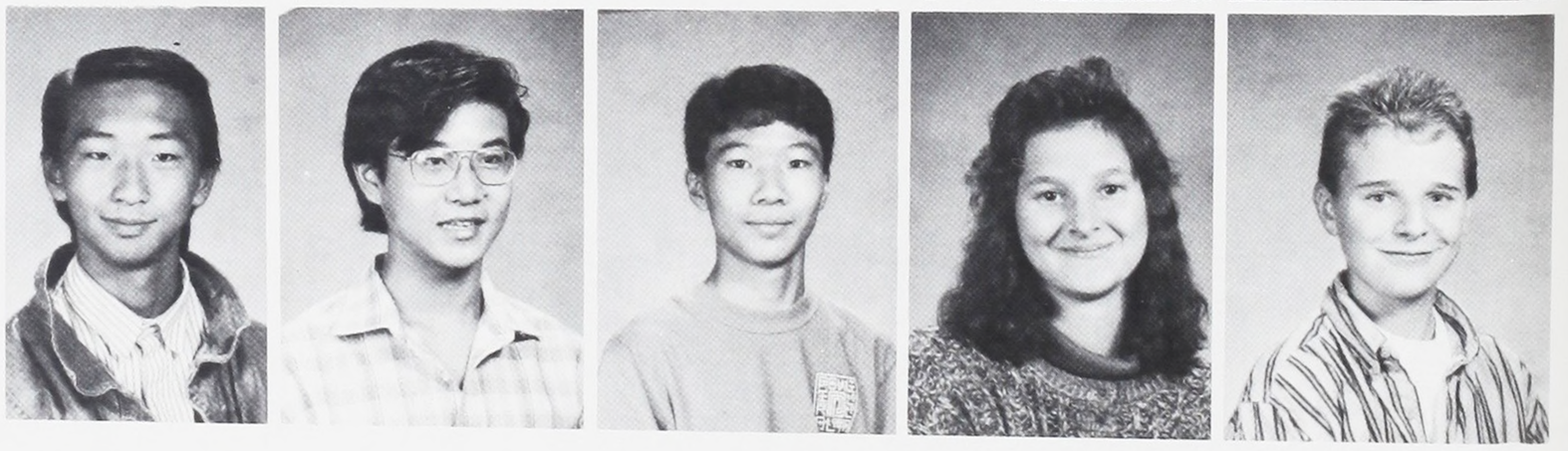

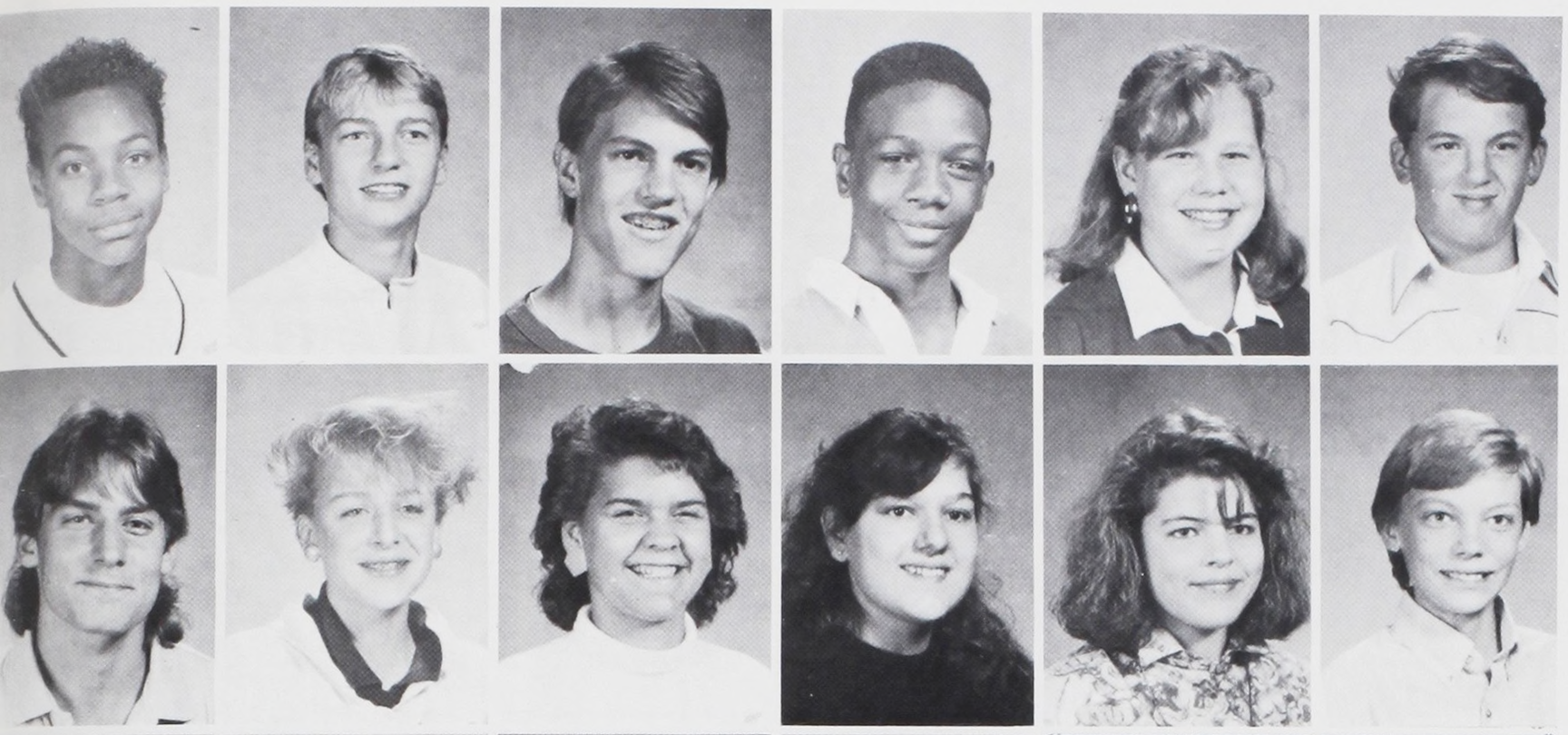

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Ronald Adams
Christine Allen
Floyd Anderson

Timothy Anderson
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Aaron Ashford

Jermaine Atherton
Tarrance Atkins
Charles Babbage
Jason Babikoff
Katherine Bacon
Jenny Baik

Carrie Barber
Benjamin Bare
Daniel Barron
John Bartels
Jeff Battles
Darren Beaudion

Eric Beemer
Faresa Bell
Troy Belles
Gregory Benjamin
John Bergeron
Bonnie Bessette

Aaron Bibles
Eric Bishop
Fred Blake
Aaron Blanscett
Matthew Bloodgood
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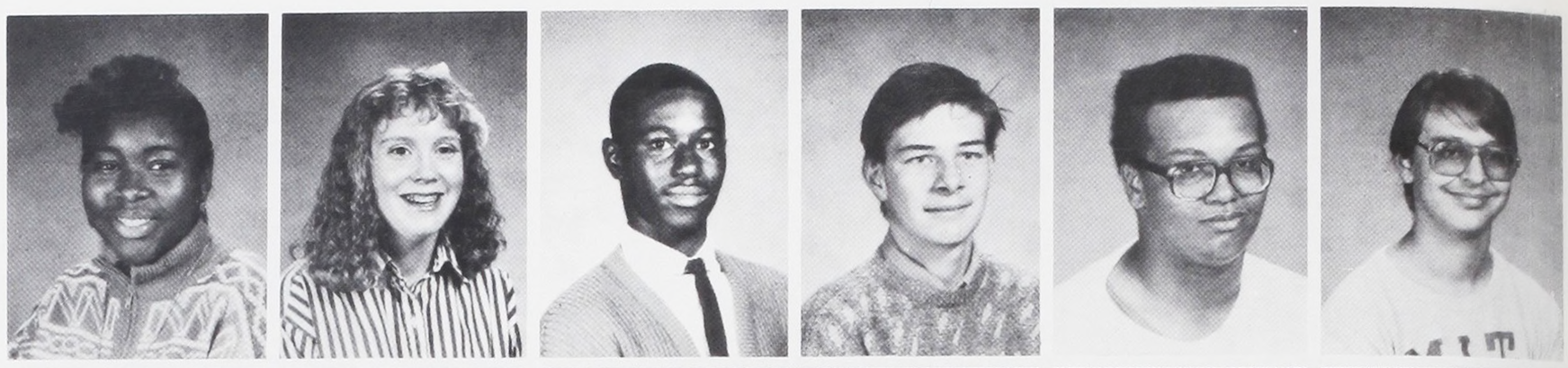
FRESHMEN

GREAT BEGINNINGS

Stephanie Blume
Myrna Bonar
Milborn Booze
Caleb Borchers
Damien Bradley
Fred Brown



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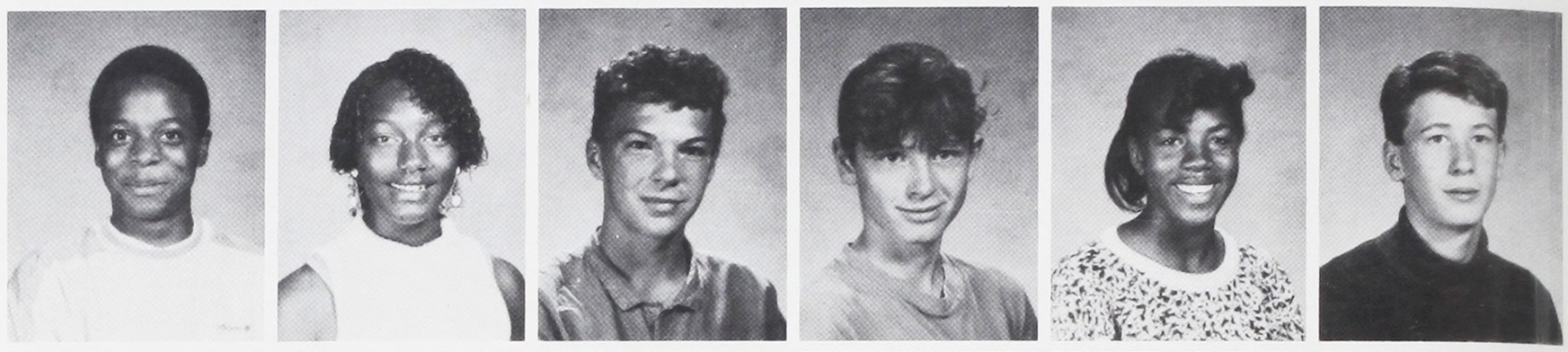

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Nathan Butler
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Brian Caputo

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Edric Carter
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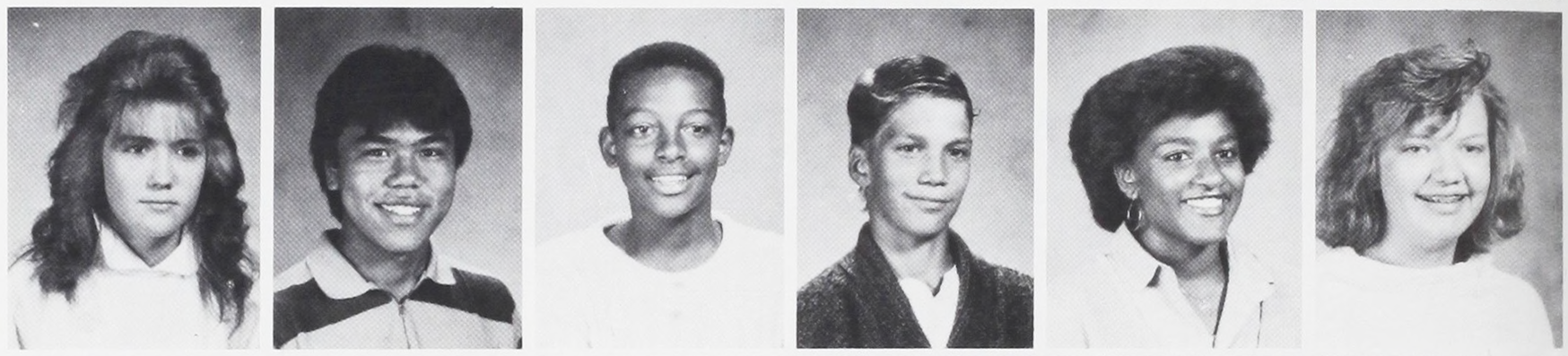
Ameritia Cavil
Sloan Chambers



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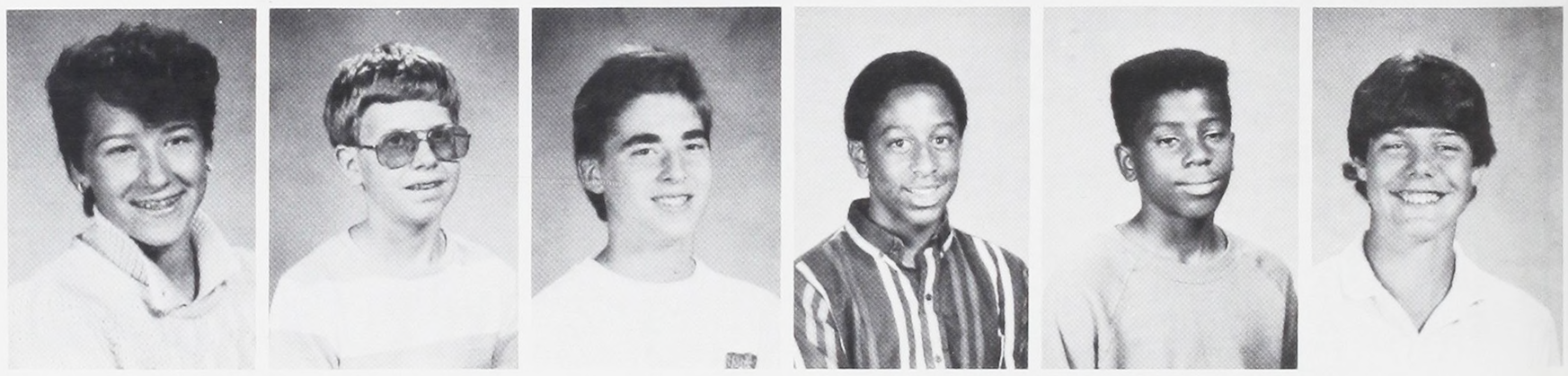

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Uhuru Crews
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Sandra Crockett
Chris Crownover

Monica Crum
Gilbert Crumble
Colin Cummins
Ebony Curtis
Jason Darling
Benjamin Davis

Troy Davis
Aaron Dayton
Tiffany Denson
Tram Dinh
Joseph Doan
Andy Dukeman

Alethia Dunn
Chris Dunn
Thao, Duong
Mace Eastman
Bruce Edwards
Matthew Eichelberg

Wilfredo Elenes
Sharon Entler
Tricia Eslinger
Eric Espedal
Roberto Estrera
Grant Ewell

Victor Farrah
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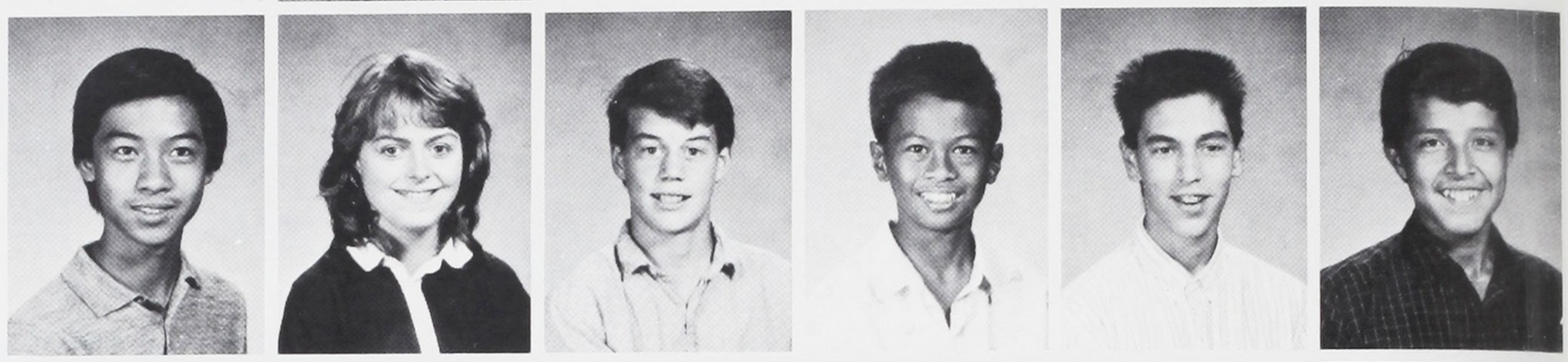

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Denice Giambrone
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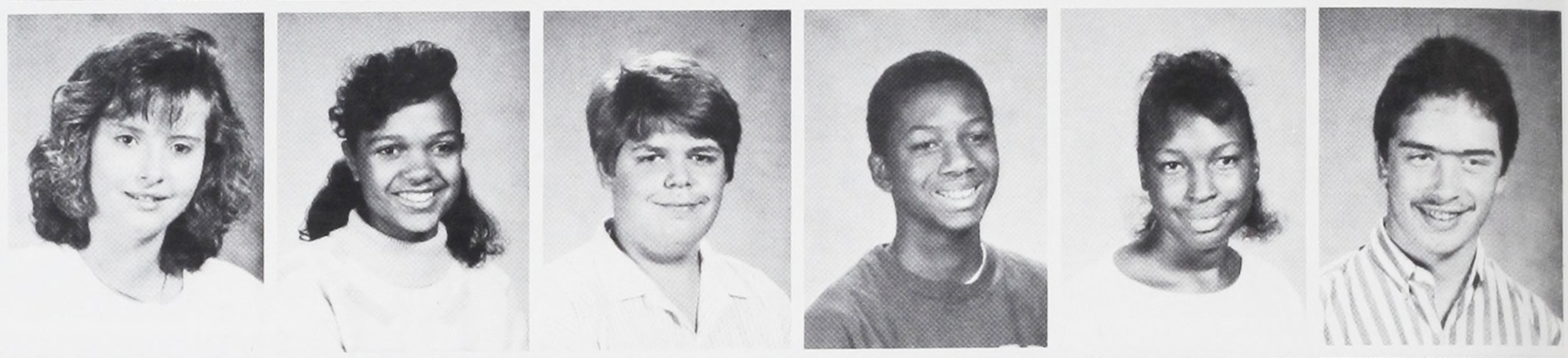

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Corey Gray
Allegra Green
Jason Green
Gerald Greenwood
Chad Griffin

Nathaniel Griffin
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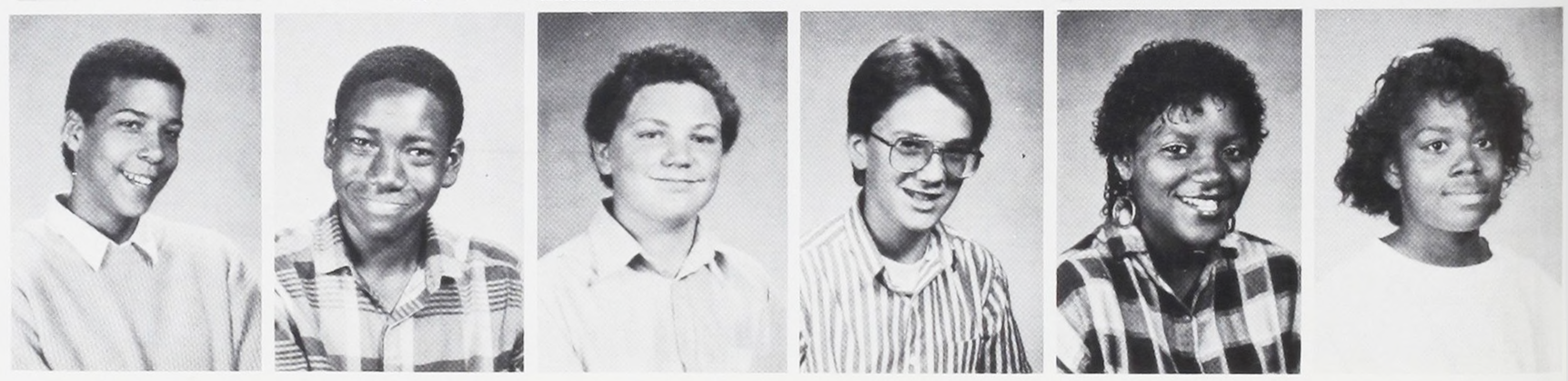

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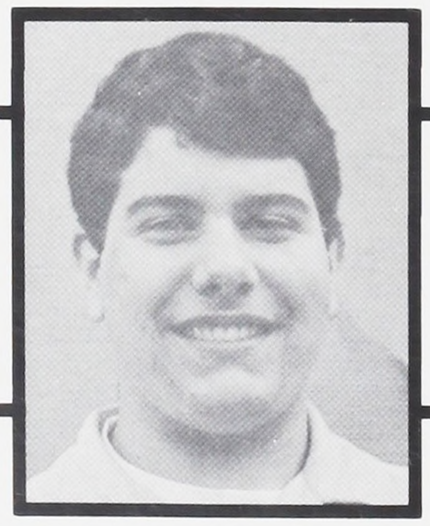
Chad Griffin



Chad tackled football as well as a full load of classes.

Shawn Hiekkila
Joshua Hill
Larry Hinchman
Jeffrey Hockert
Ian Hoff
Mark Hoffman

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Rebecca Horst
Marty Housden
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Miriam Huddleston
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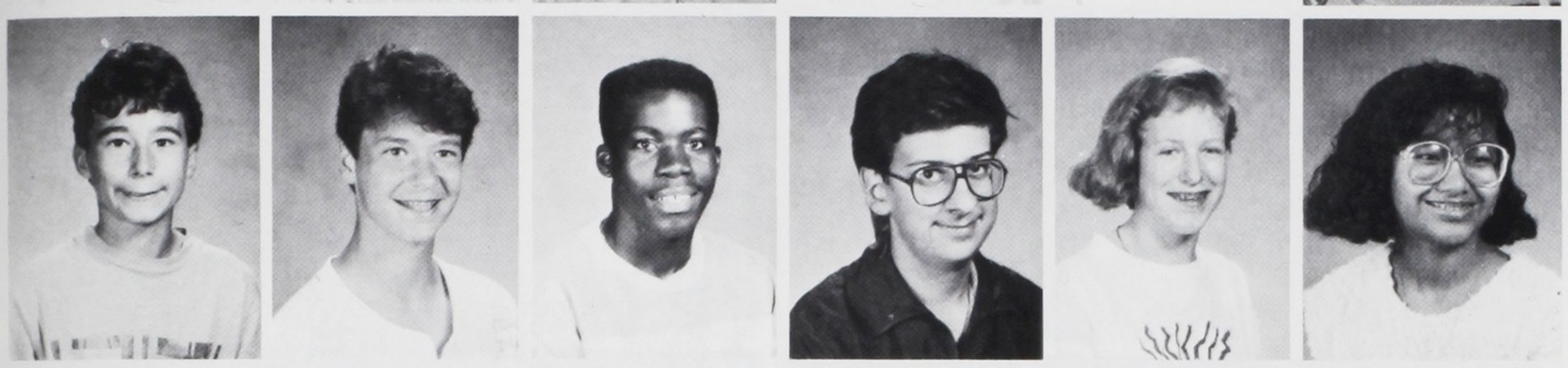

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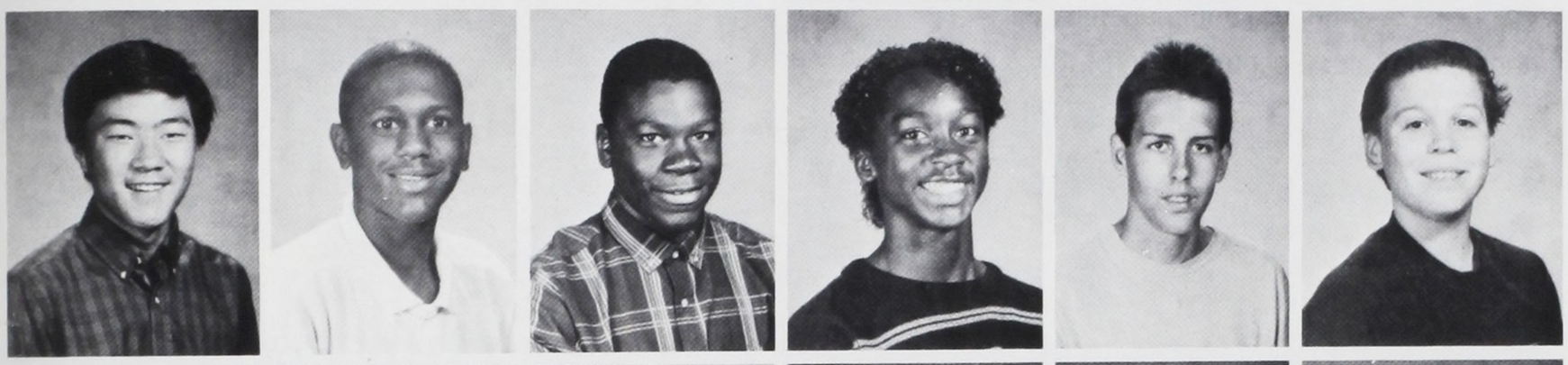
Scott Huston
Sherry Huston
Tammy Huynh



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Tamara Johnson
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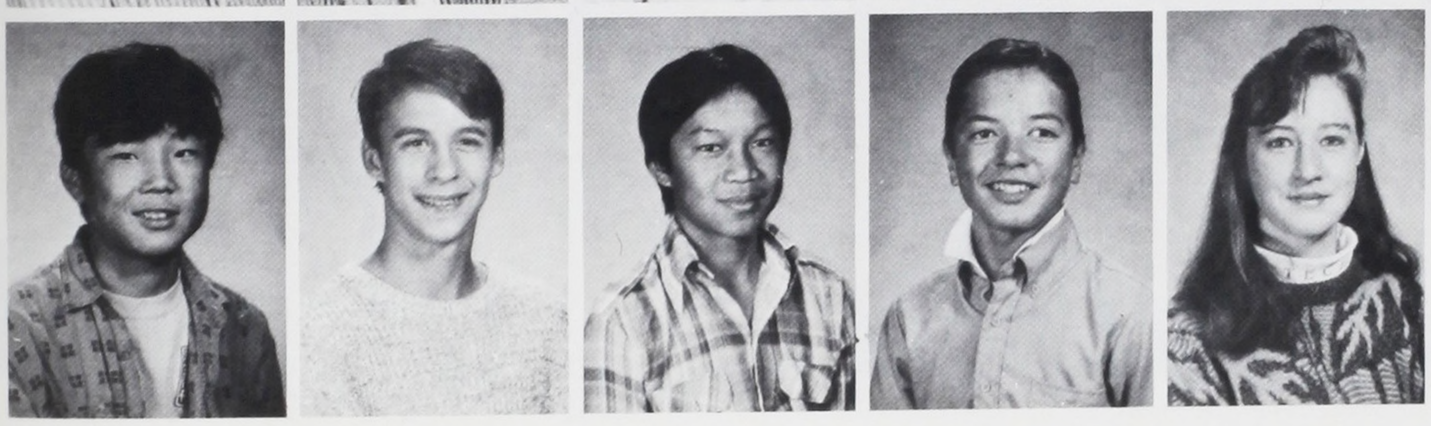


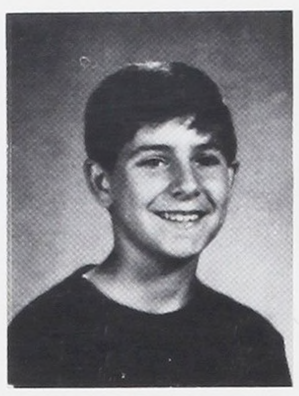
Loren Jun
Nathan Kabza
Keophans Kanhalikham
Karl Kapukui
Michelle Keck

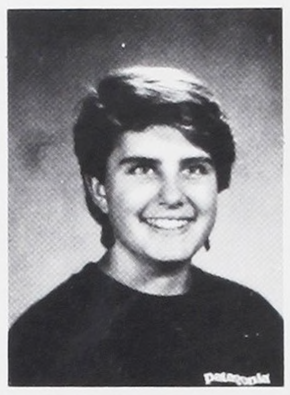
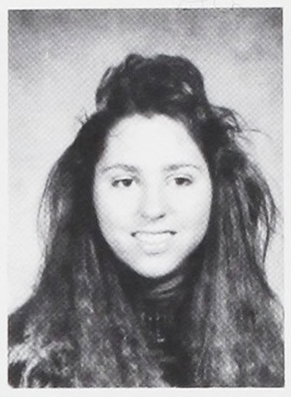
BEGINNINGS

One of two freshmen on the team, Becky played Varsity Soccer.

Becky Ferrell

Craig Kelly
Eugene Kelsau
Jessica Kempner
Lisa Kennedy
Steven Kile
John Kim



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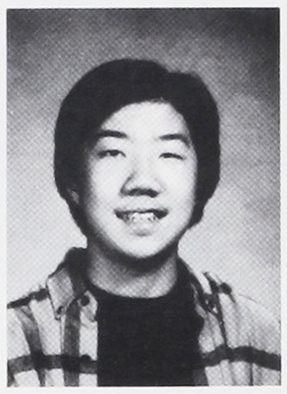
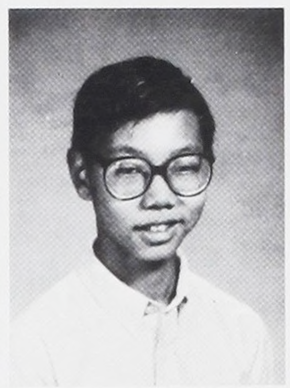
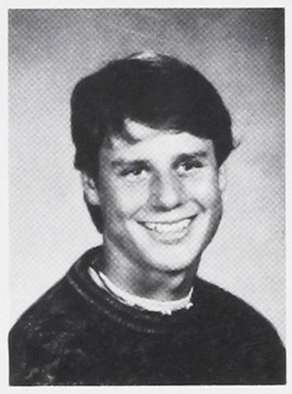
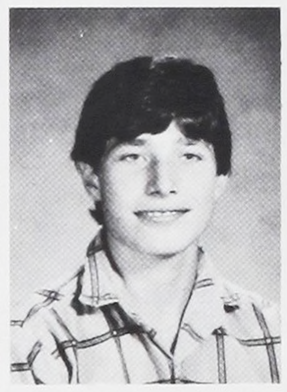
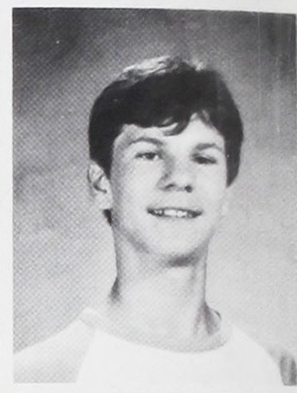
Tracy Kim
Young Kim
Andrew Klein
James Kloberdance
Jason Kluthe

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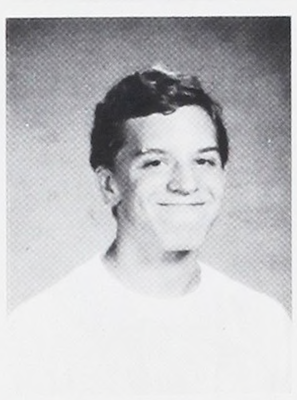

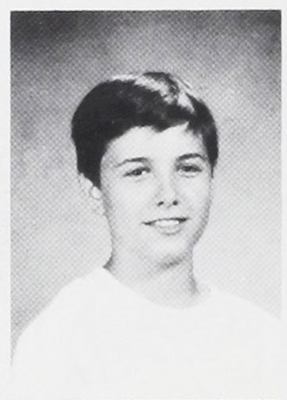
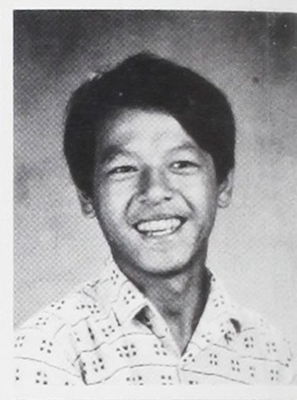

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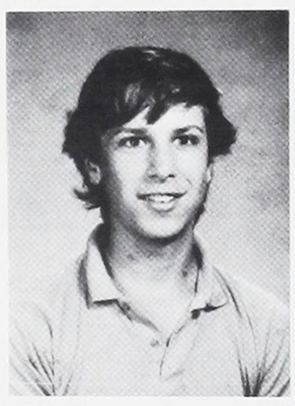
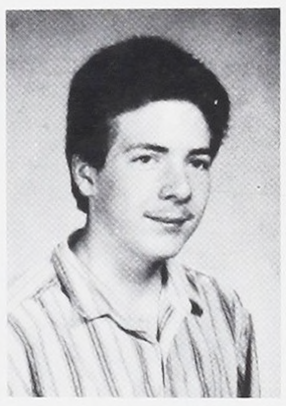
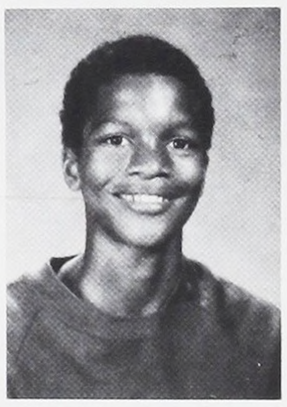

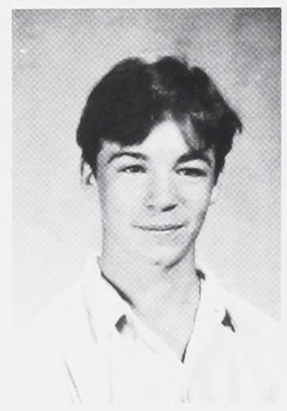

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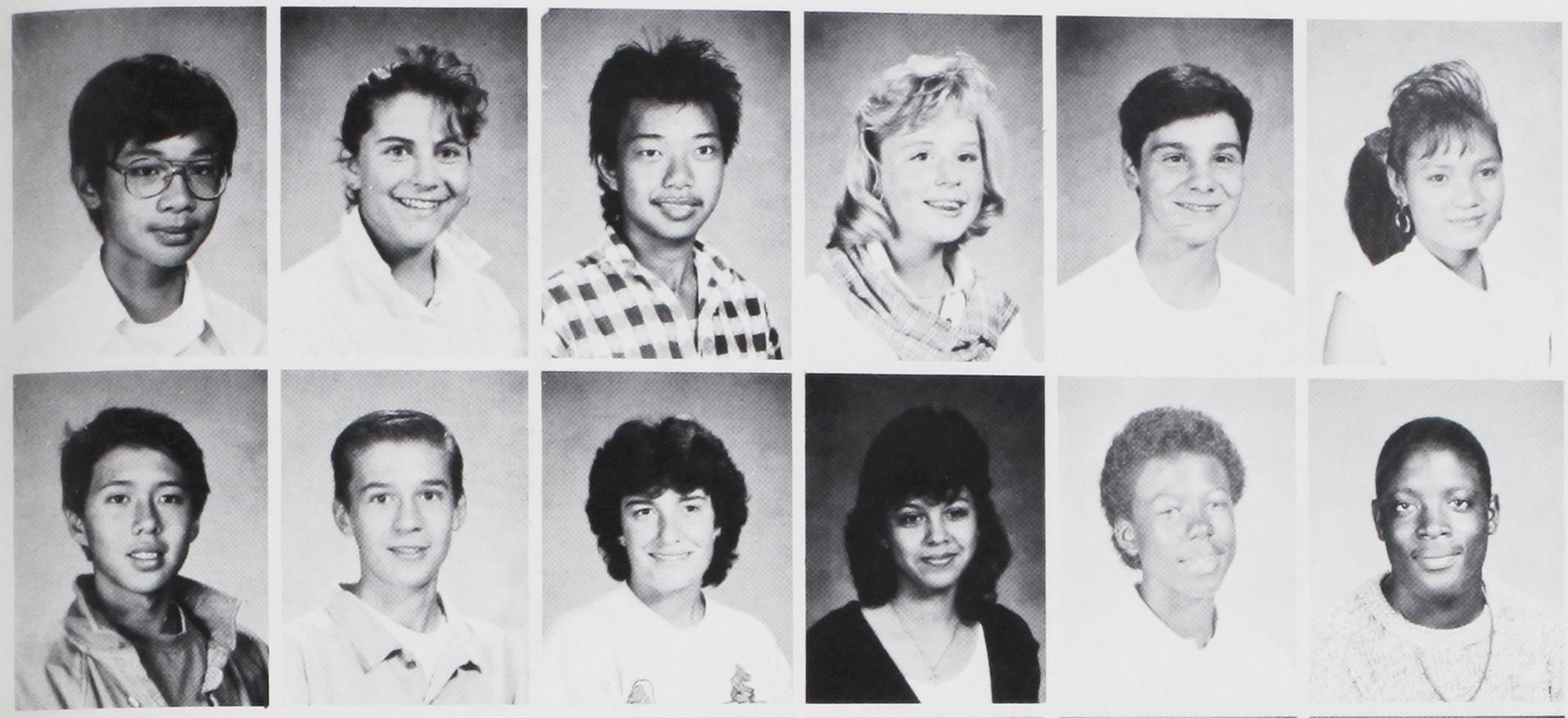
Rochelle Watson

Rochelle began her education for a health occupation career.



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Jenny McClusky
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Stephen McDermott
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Joe Moran

Amber Morris
Talisa Morris
Ian Moxley
Paul Muir
Rick Mullings
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BEGINNINGS

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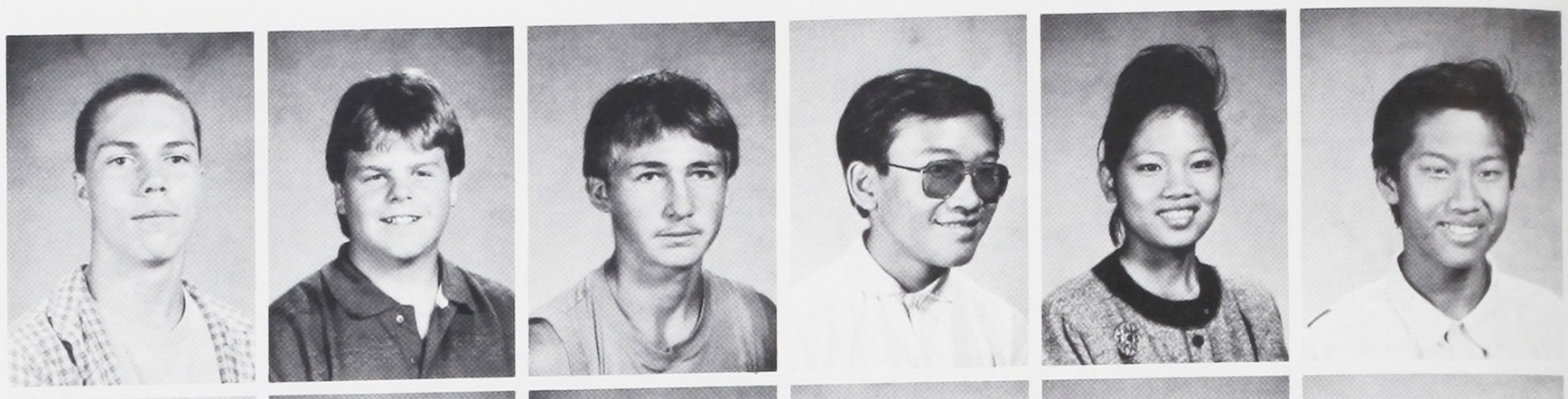

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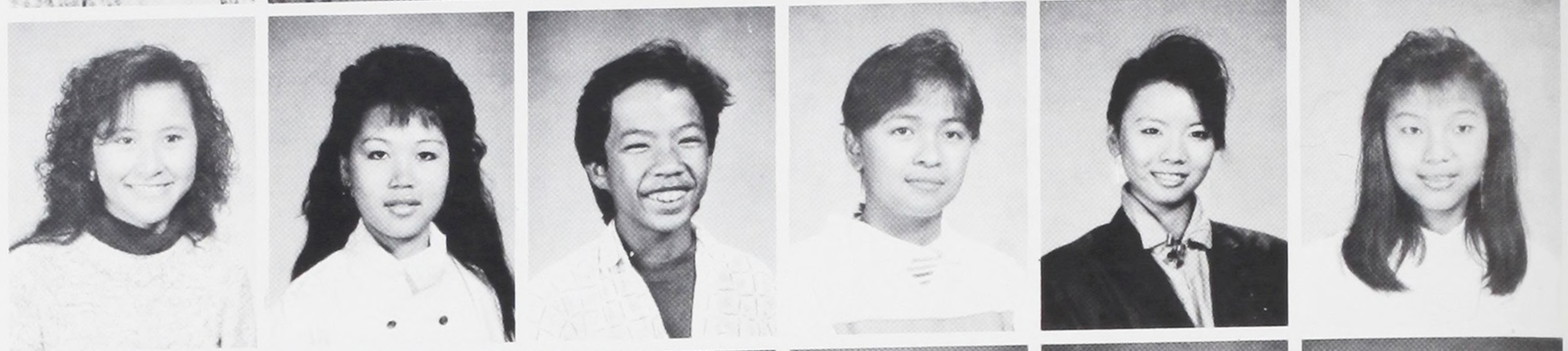

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Yong Pak
Jane Palomo
Shreeyash Palshikar
Dennis Pang

Jason Pauker
Erik Pedersen
Martha Perez
Karen Perkins
Mario Pernetti
Topaz Petersen

GREAT

Bob Hansen

Bob took a Russian Tag class after his long day at Benson.

Ernie Peterson
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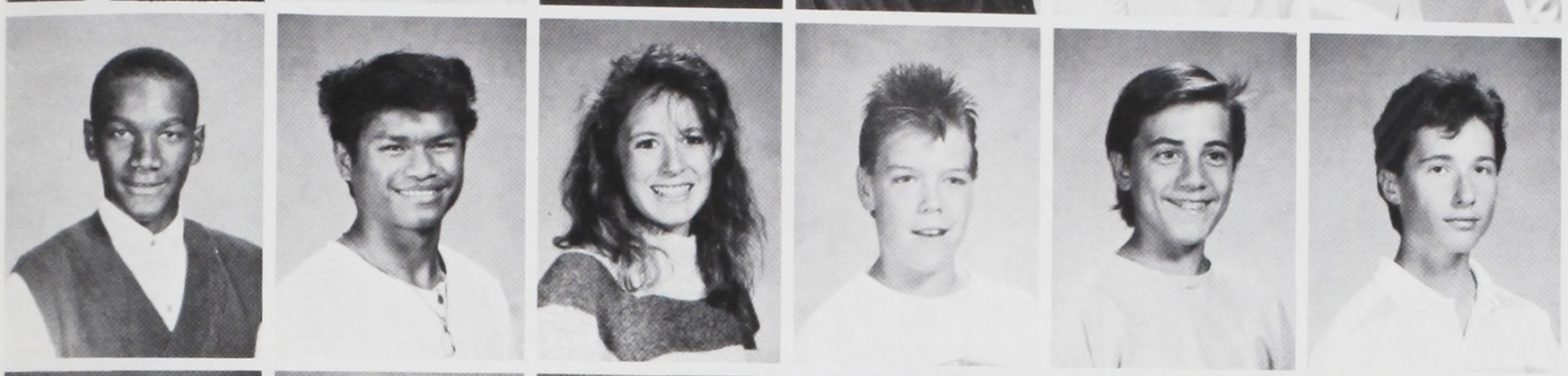

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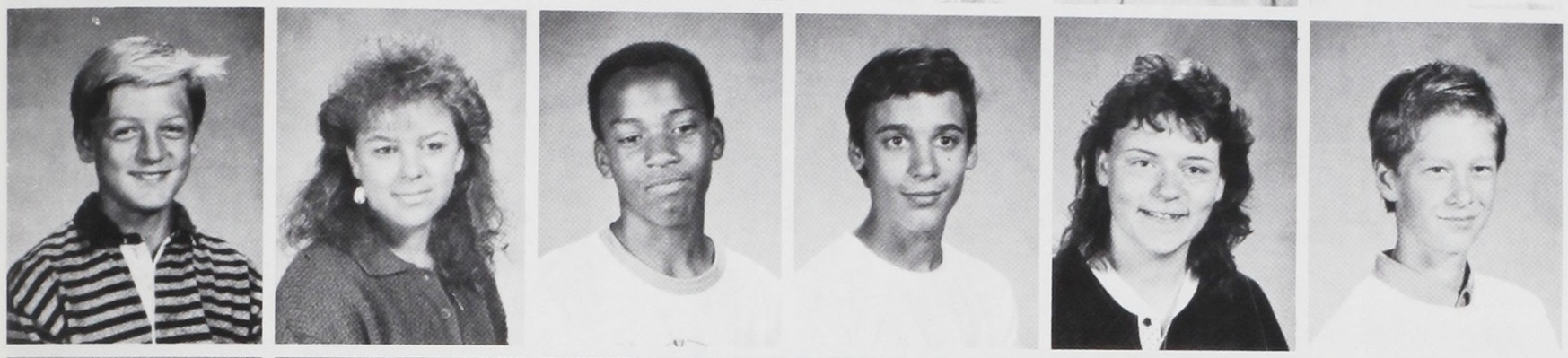

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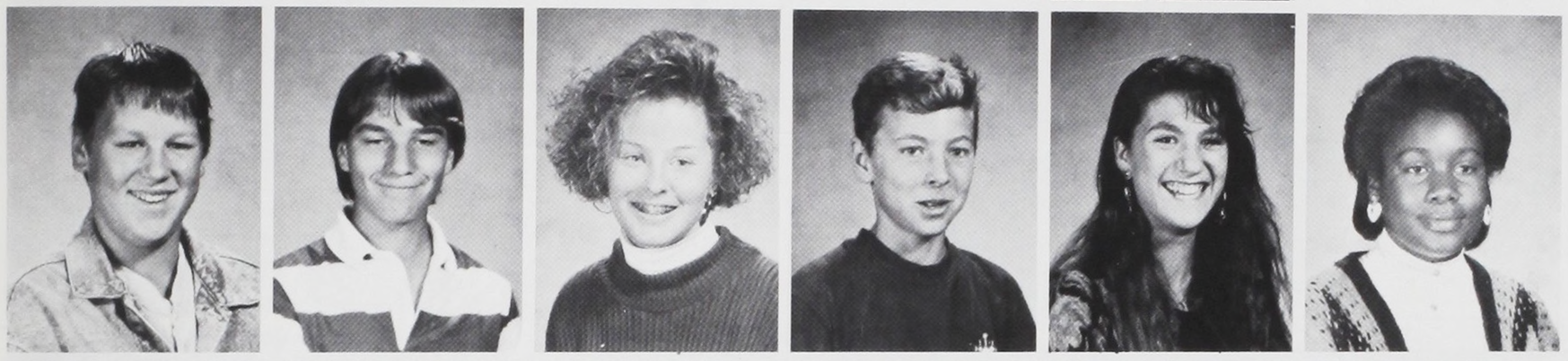

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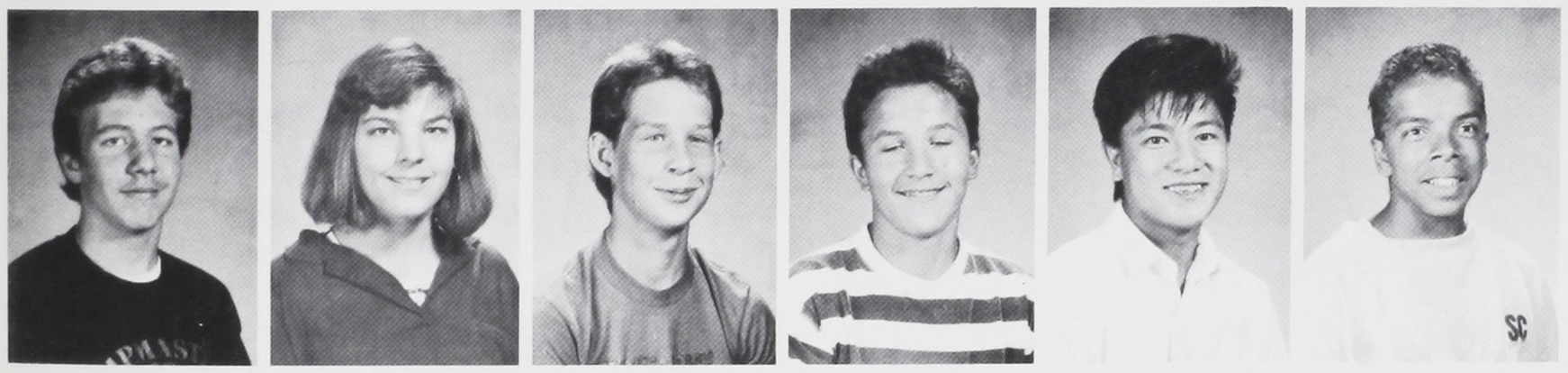

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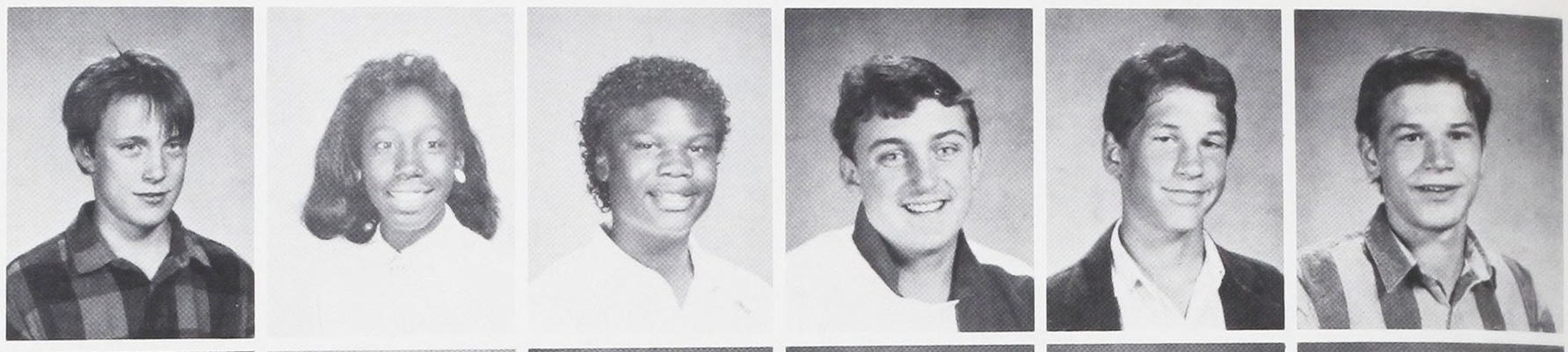
Bryan Ruzicka
Jason Sabin
Cu Chiam Saejow
Raymond Saltrup

BEGINNINGS

Practicing the dance she studied, Yong used these skills in extra-curricular activities.

Yong Pak

Kimberly Sampson
Jon Sanders
Patrick Sanders
Hans Saucier
Matt Schalk
Adam Scheible



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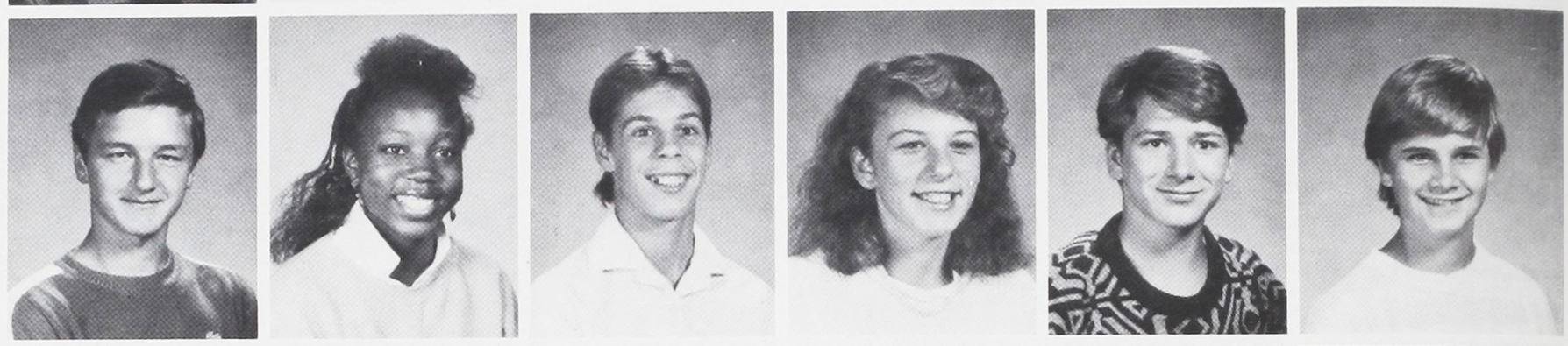

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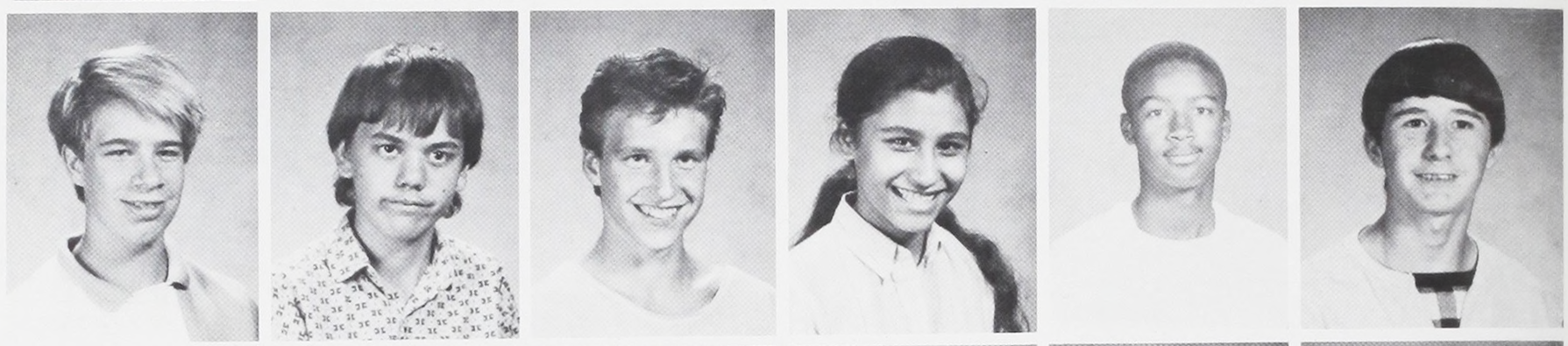

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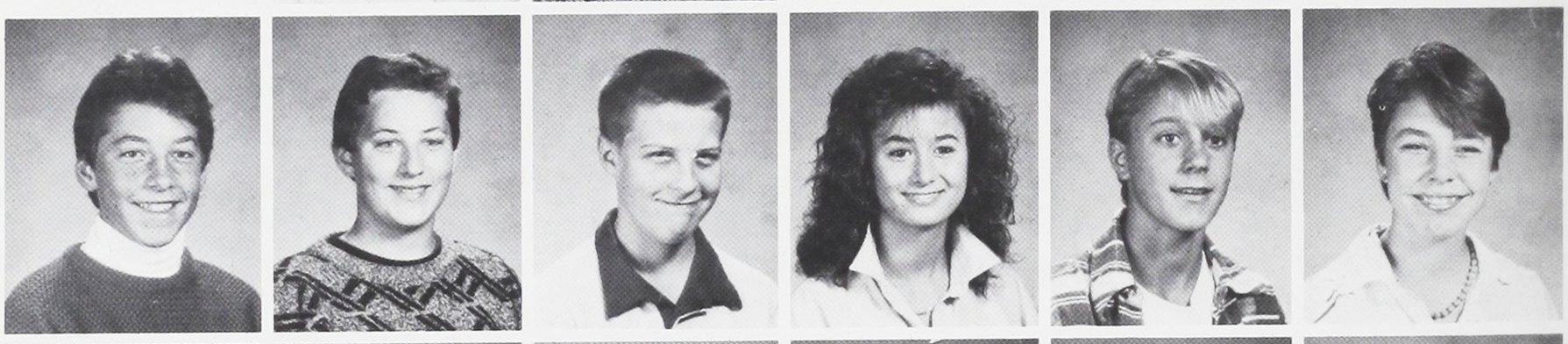

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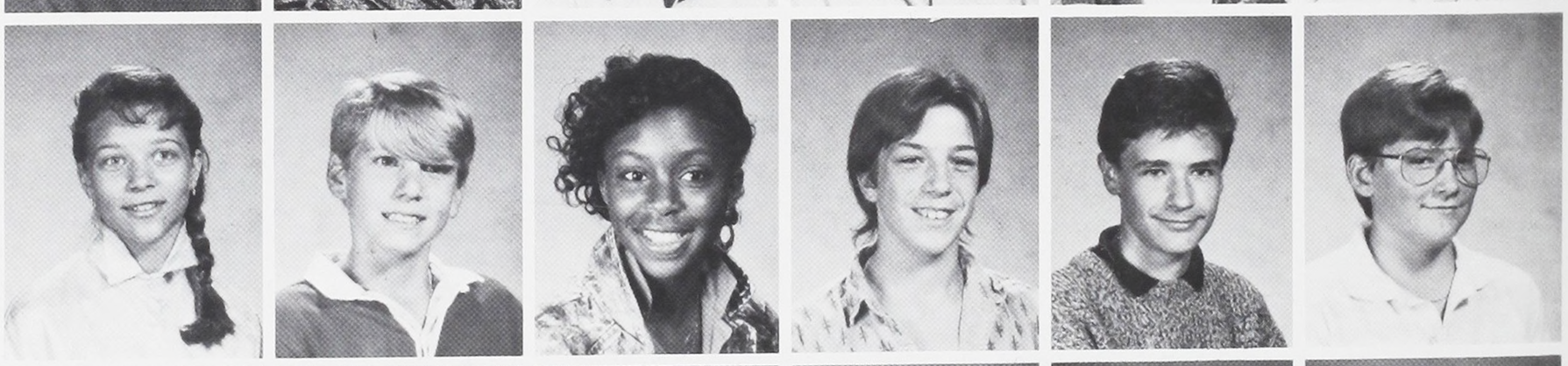

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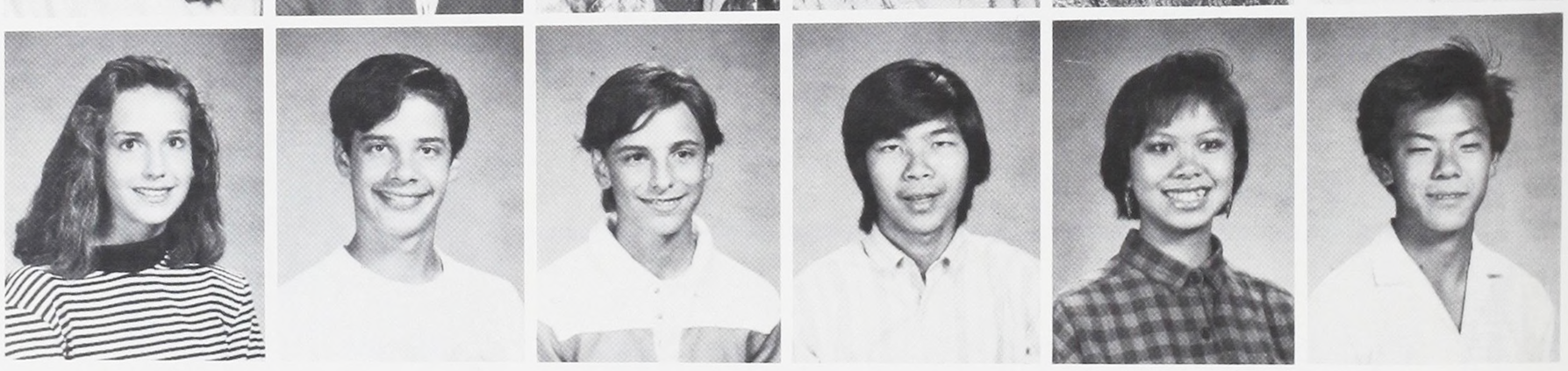

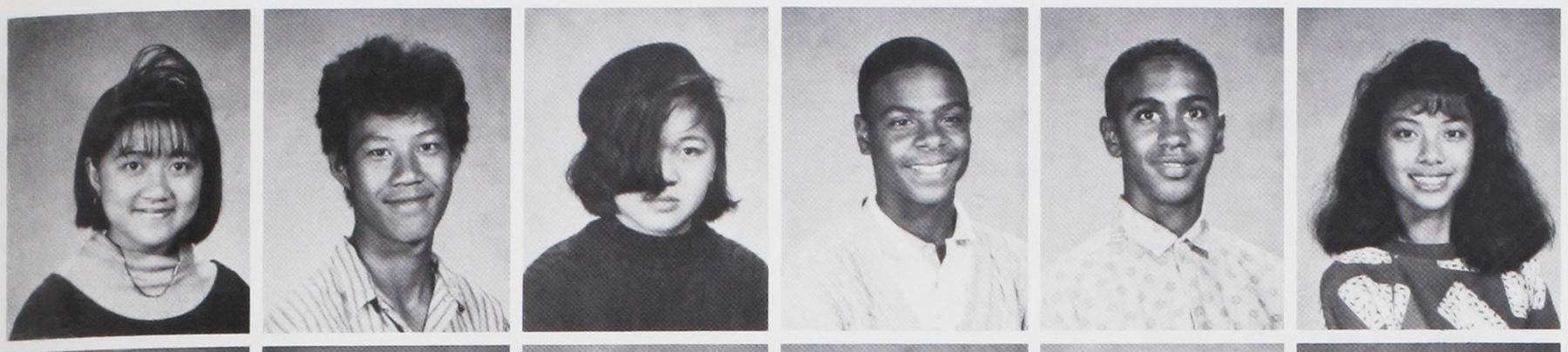

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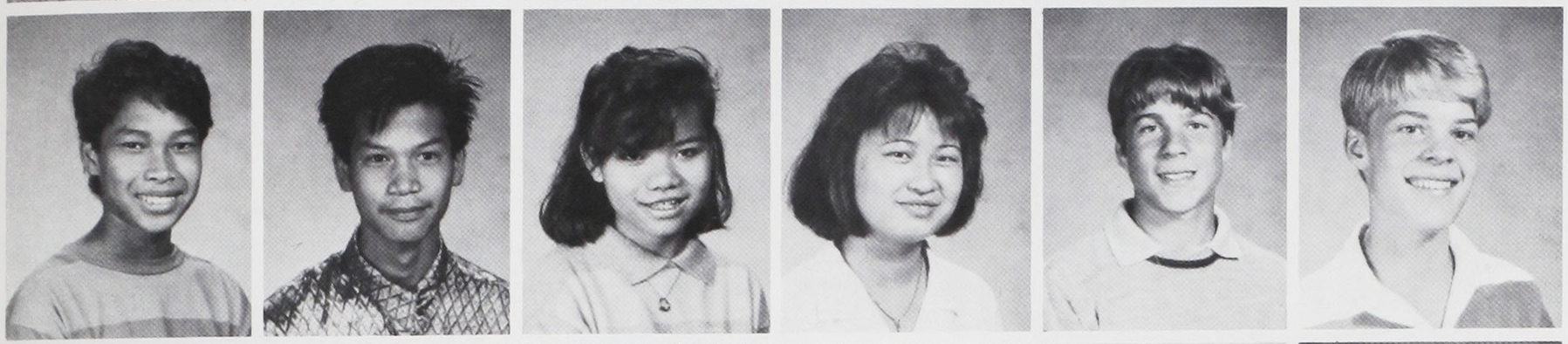

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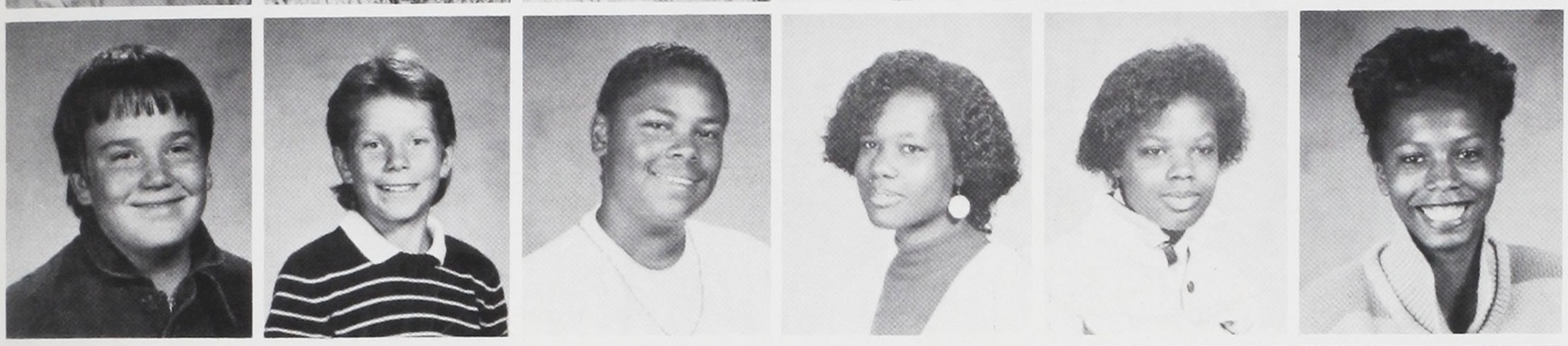

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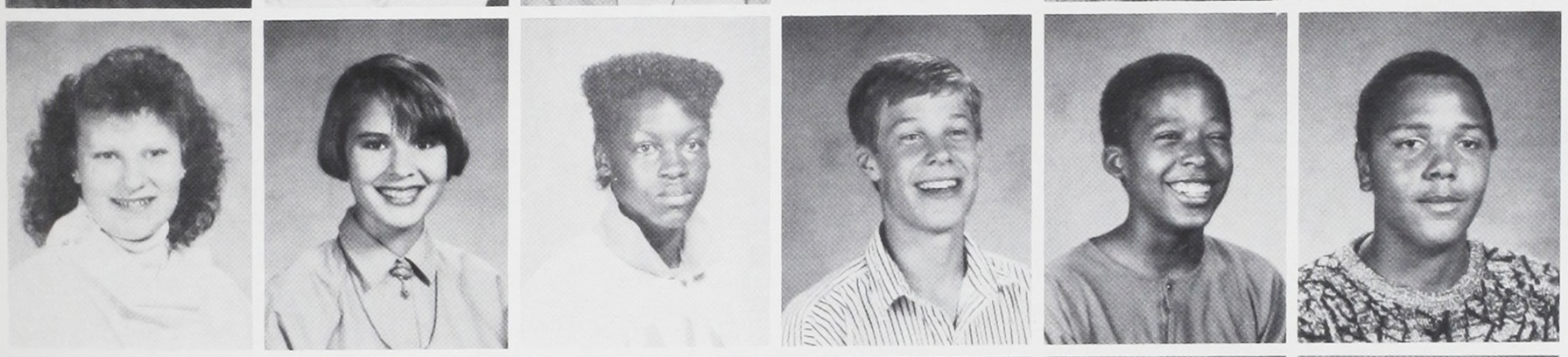

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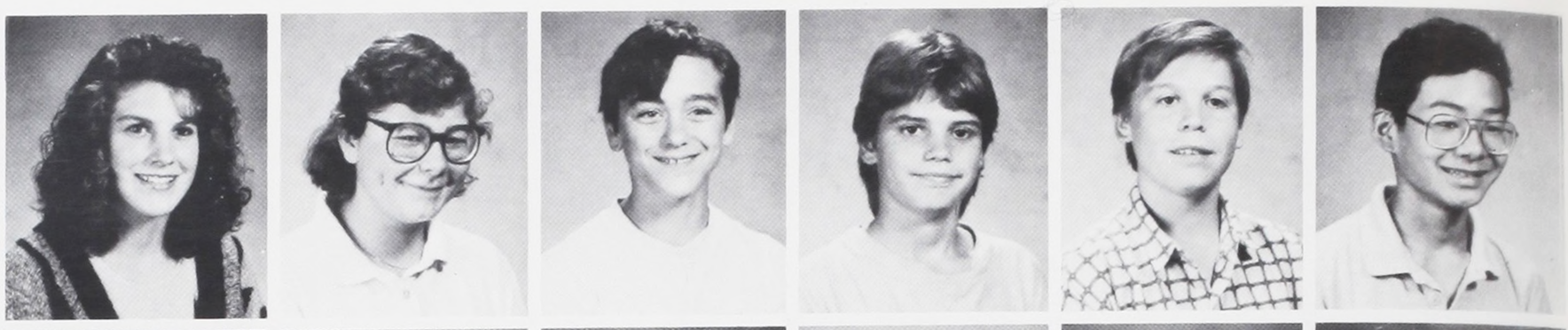

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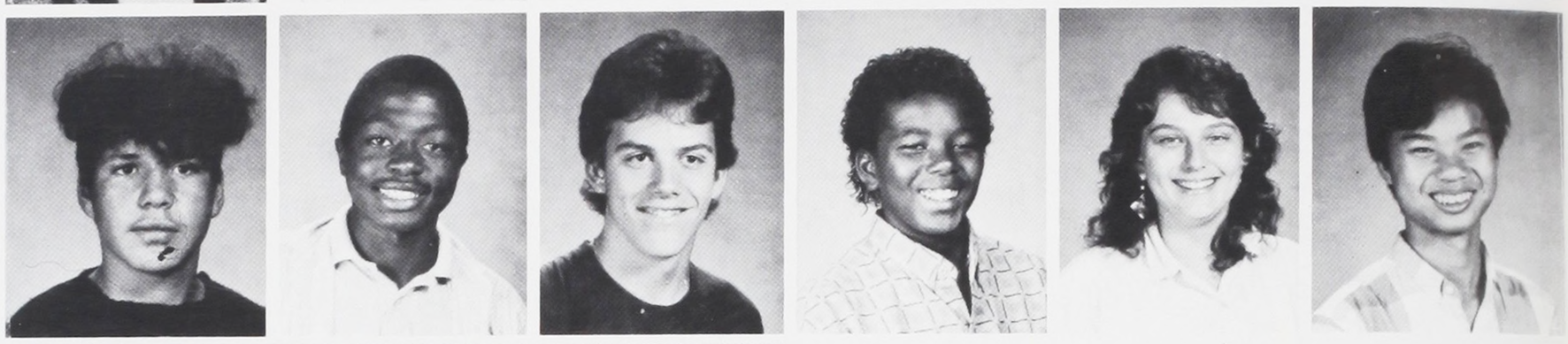

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Laurel Bonnin
Eric Bolden
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Zackery Carter
Robert Cyr
William Dash
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John Nickelson
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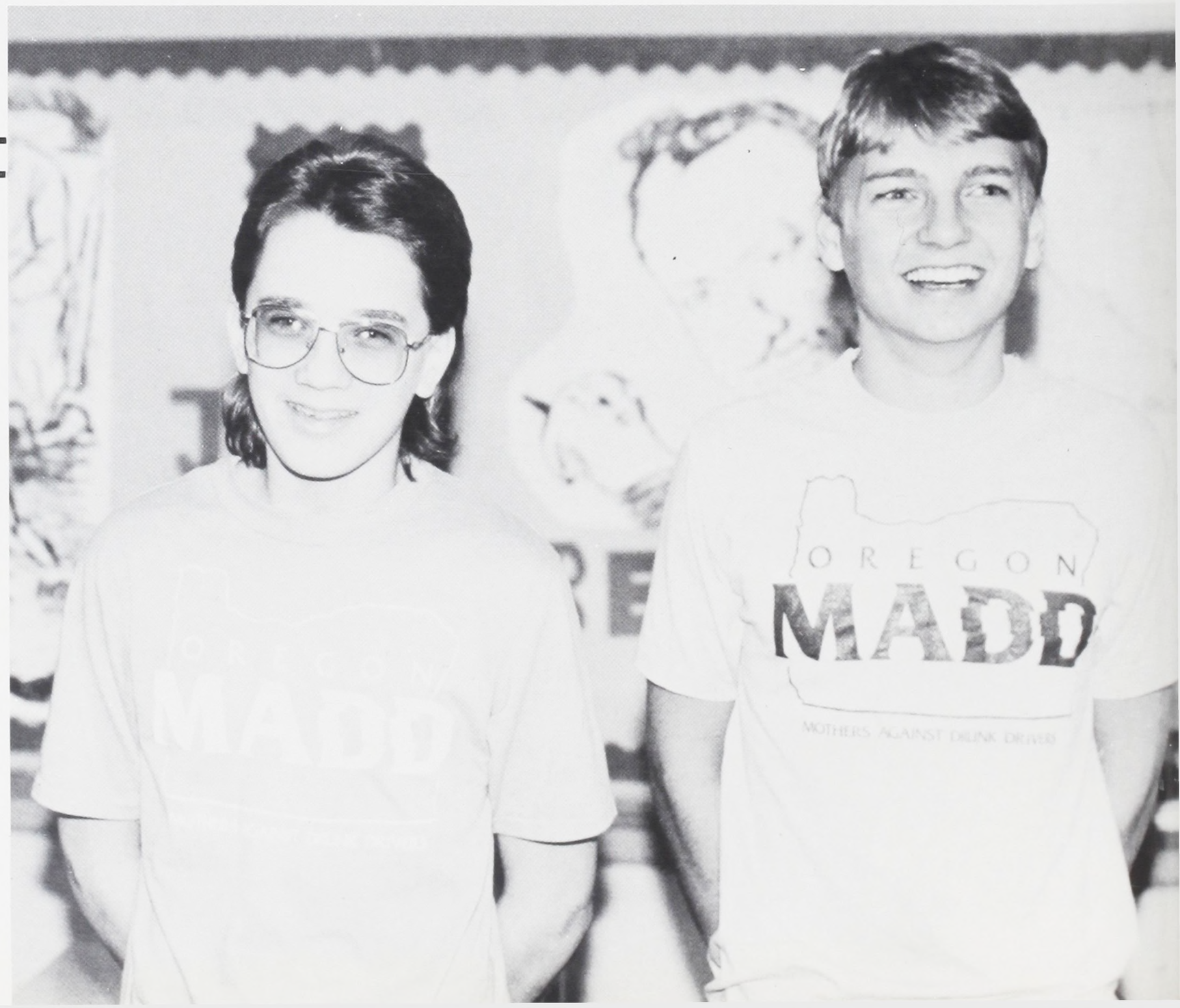
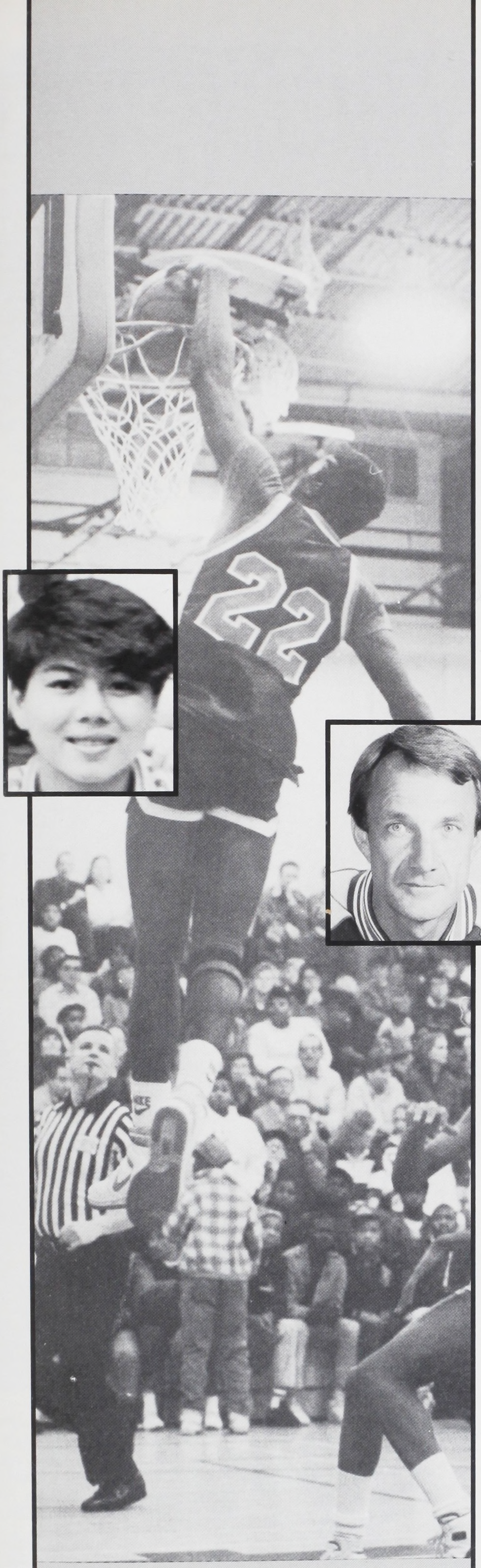


Starting their high school careers as winners, David Hanson (left) placed second in the MADD essay/poster contest sponsored by the Multnomah County Chapter and Timothy Ackley (right) placed third.



SPORTS

NO ONE DOES IT BETTER

Techmen Shut-out All Nine

Reigning as city champions, the Techmen ended the regular season with a 9 and 0 record, the best season record since 1985 when they also won the city championship. Madison was the toughest opponent the Techmen faced. "Madison made us work for the victory," running back, Walter Bailey (12), said. "It was a very intense game. Emotions were high in the second half. We worked to our fullest potential, probably the hardest we worked all season."

With the assistance of running backs, Walter Bailey and Rodney Hicks (12); tight end, Matt Asay (12), and receiver, Ian Roach (12), the team had four of the ten leading individual scorers in the city.

The offensive and defensive lines at Benson have always been known for their size, but speed and quickness were in the footnotes this year as well. Varsity crushed the first five adversaries with shut-outs, never scoring less than 28 points. During the regular season, they scored 323 points to the opponents' 46.

SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent
28- 0	Roosevelt
38- 0	Marshall
41 0	Cleveland
28- 0	Jefferson
27 0	Lincoln
28-14	Madison
59- 8	Grant
28- 8	Wilson
46-16	Franklin

VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM, TOP: Head Coach Bill Dressel, Coach Tom Sunseri, Manager Derek Manning, Coach Mike Lemon, Coach Stuart McNeil, Coach Steve MacPherson, Manager Sheri Chandler, Coach Bill Ranta. TWO: Richard Norwood, Greg Caleen, Irving Brown, David Powell, Kenneth Baughn, John Coryell, Jeff Freind, Ramon Hall, Jason Wack, Chad Phillips, Andy Houch. THREE: Manager Kurt Smith,Manager Pat Lee, Milo Lewis, Jessi Porter, Joe Bushman, Chris Tujo, Richard Poe, Josh Hicks, Durelle Singleton, John Hardy, Jason Whitely. FOUR: Gerald Bolden, Robert Hunt, Chris Lawrence, Trent Winegar, Chris Passanante, Tony Robertson, Bill Jersin, Earl Pullem, Tom Tokstad, Brian Ripley, Derrick Moon. FIVE: Darren Hedgmon, Ben Paget, Byron Spires, Randon Riley, Jerry Langan, Walter Bailey, Rodney Hicks, Dennis Griffin, Jean Blondeau, Anthony Sherman. SIX: Ray Nelson, Ian Roach, Rick Faison, George Runyon, Tige McSwain, Matt Kulu, Aaron Brashear, Chuvalo Boyd, Matt Asay, Guy Nelson. SEVEN: Rally: Tricia Hartel, Ericka Warren, Sonya Wilson, LaTanya Jenkins, Erin Krieger, D. D. Dalpiaz, Michelle Hausauer, Tina Miller.

George Runyan (12), Guy Nelson (12), and Tige McSwain (12) smother the Madison Senators.

Tige McSwain (12) points out a needed block. Tony Robertson (11) and Matt Asay (12) respond.

Defense stops the Lincoln Cardinals.

Guy Nelson (12) takes to the air.

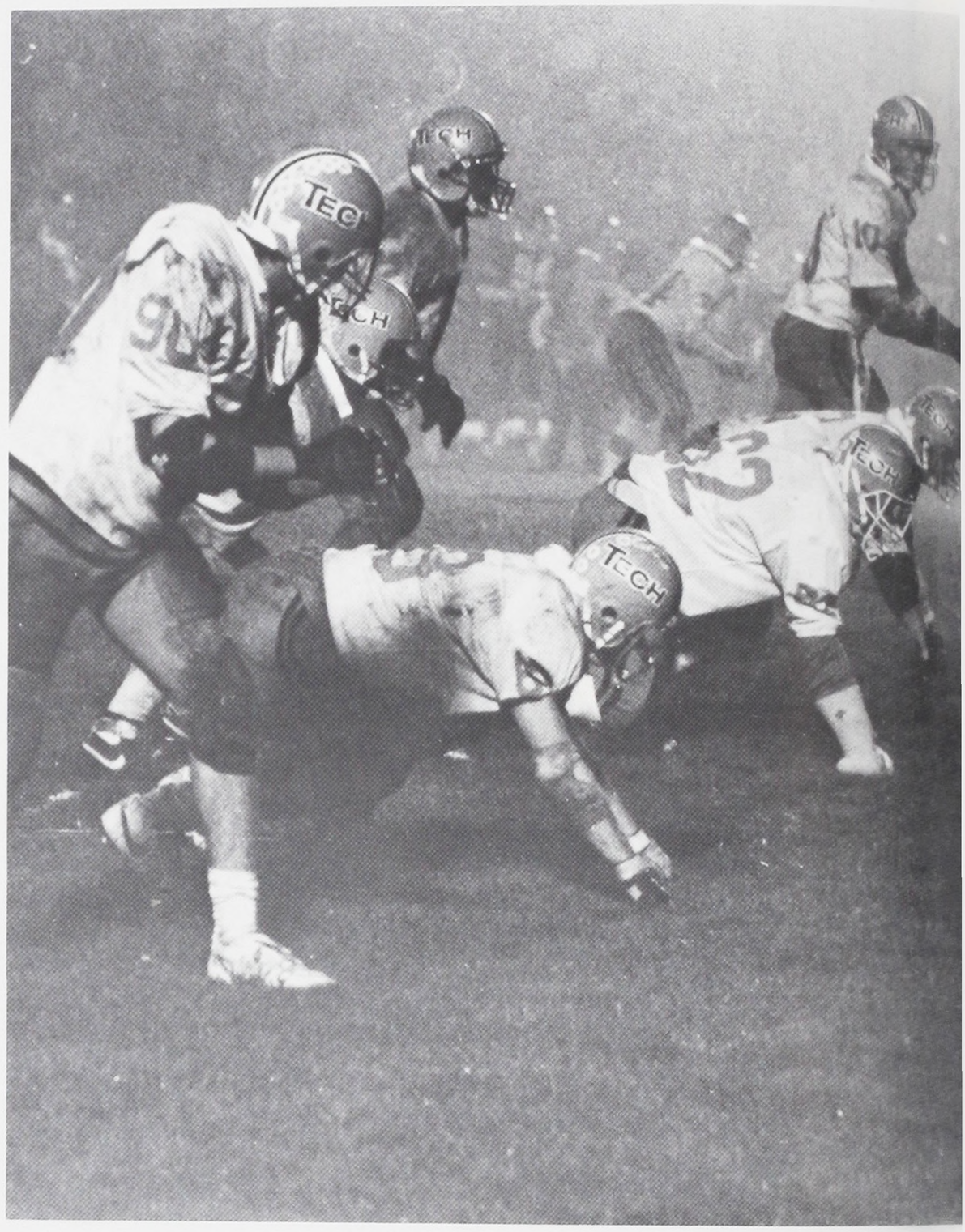
TECH MOVES TO QUARTER FINALS

Orange Crush Enters Playoffs Undefeated

After the championship 9-0 regular season, with the second win over Madison since 1984, the Techmen advanced to the playoffs with six shut-outs and 363 points. In their first game the Tech team also dominated Tigard with a shut-out defense, 14-0. Oregon City was a bit tougher, but with a defensively strong team, aided by a defensive end-zone catch by Matt Asay (12), the Techmen advanced once again to the quarter finals.

The third playoff game made the headlines not so much for the game itself but for the reported racist comments made by some of the Rosenburg fans. Although the Techmen lost this third game to Roseburg, the 1987 varsity team still held the honor of being the first to enter the quarter finals undefeated.

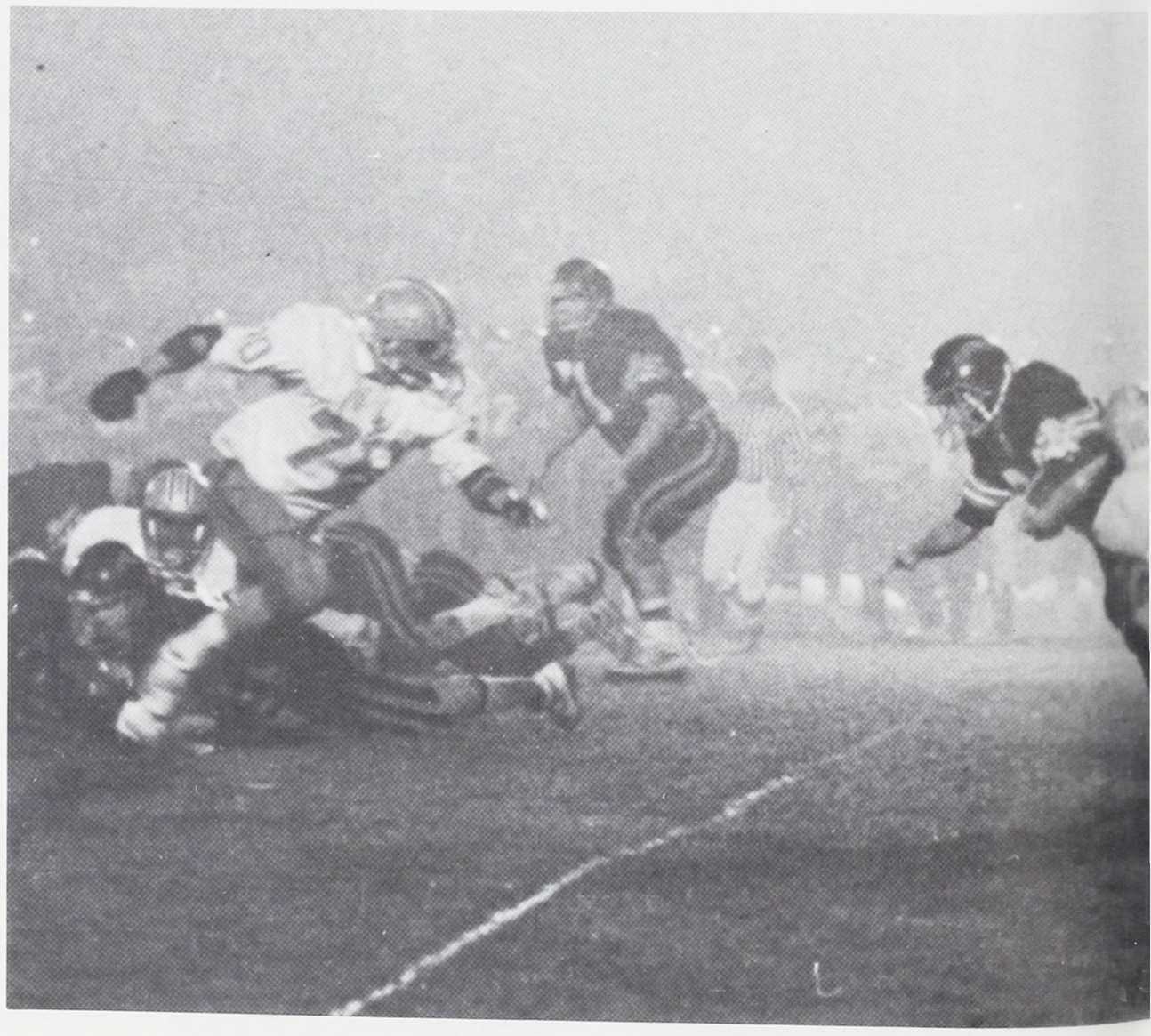
Coach Bill Dressel affirmed, "This year's team is the best Tech team ever — even beter than last year's."



The defense sets up for another Roseburg attack. Despite the brilliant defense, Tech suffered their first defeat of the year.

Joe Bushman (11), the starting quarter-back, calls the cadence in the 14-0 rout of Tigard.

Robert Hunt (12) breaks through the Roseburg offensive line for a quarter back sack. Matt Asay (12) and George Runyon (12) move in to help.



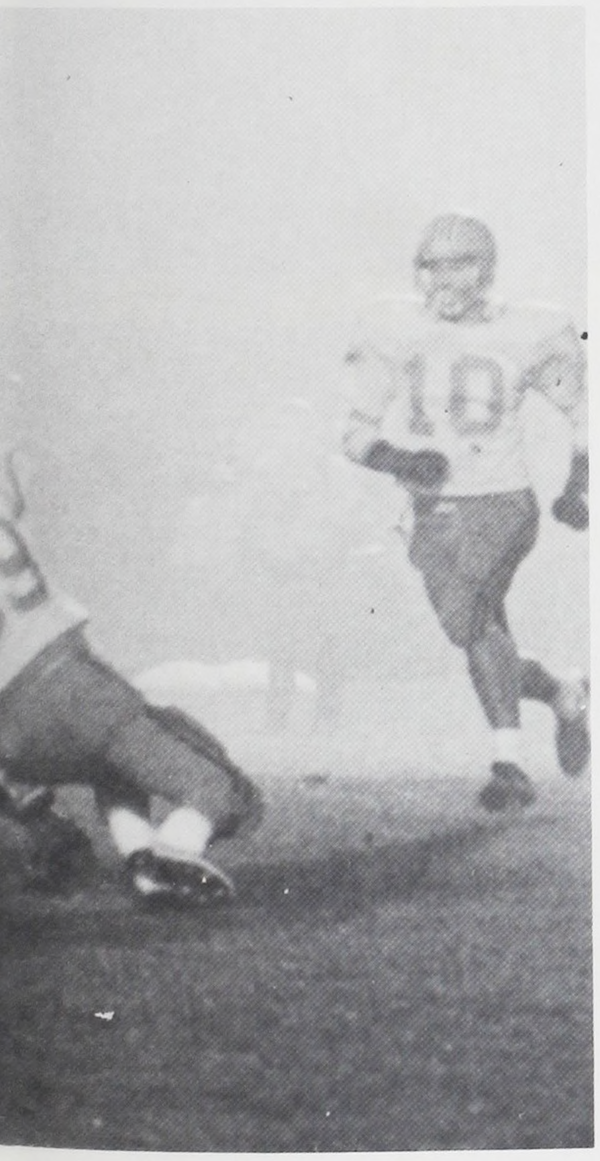
SCOREBOARD

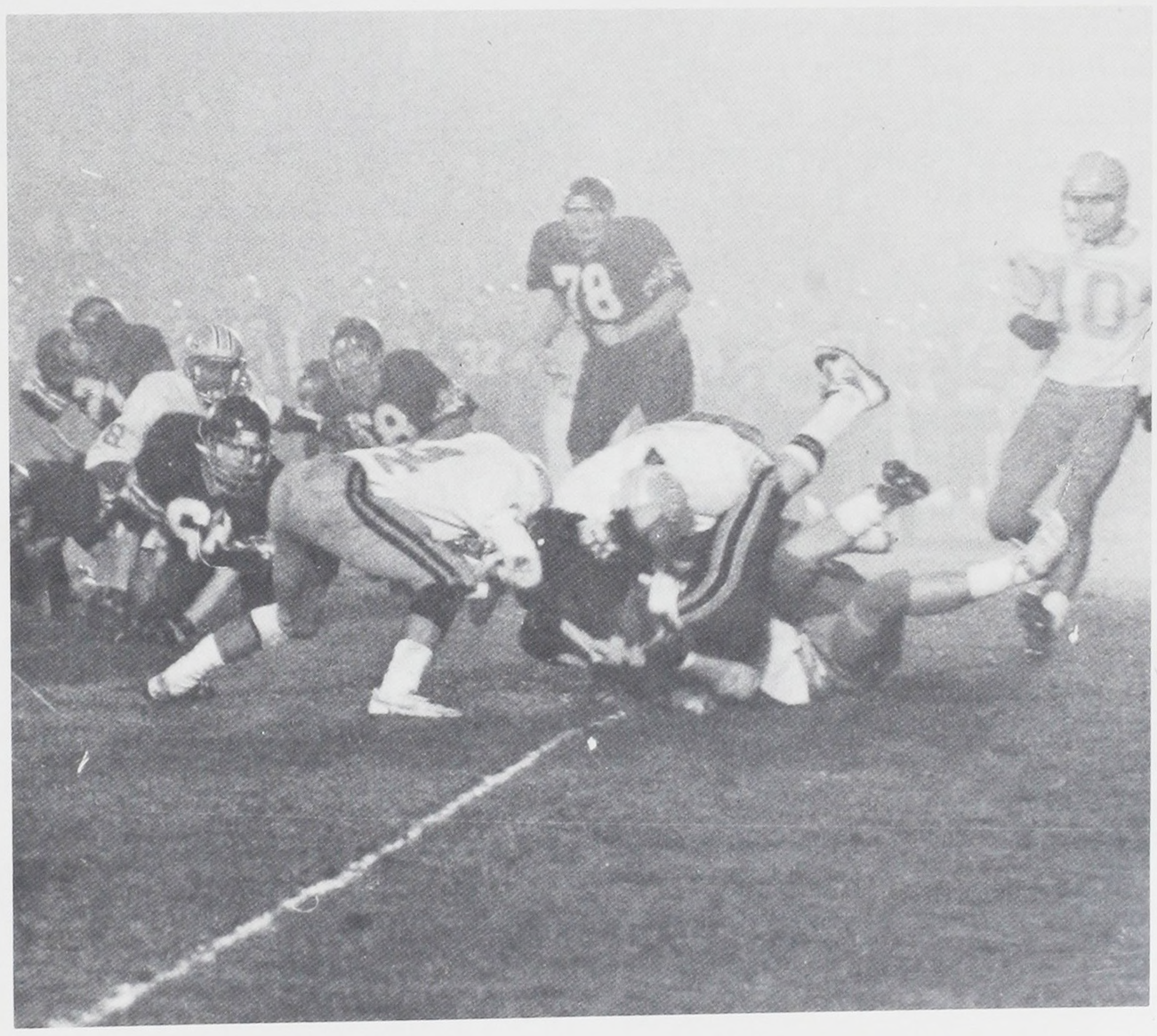
Benson	Opponent
14-	Tigard
7-3	Oregon City
19-21	Roseburg

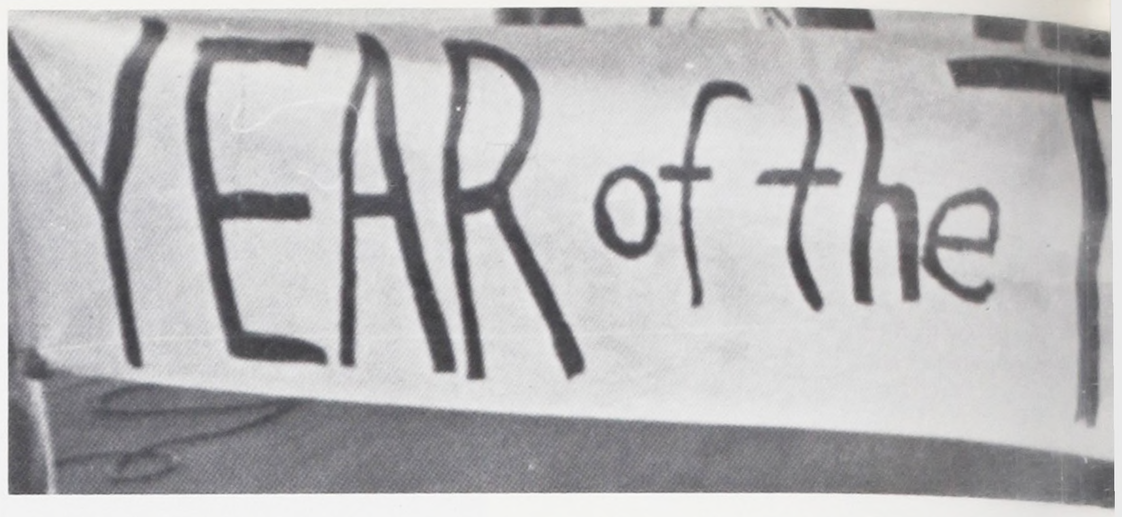
On the wet turf of Civic Stadium, Walter Bailey (12) runs the ball past the over-powered Tigard defense.

Walter Bailey (12) drops back for the half-back pass against Tigard.

After Robert Hunt's (12) sack, the rest of the Techmen including Ricky Fais (12) and George Runyon (12) finish the job.







Varsity rally members Tasha Moore, Ericka Warren, Mitch Mayfield, and Tracy Richardson cheer on the football team during their entrance.

VARSITY RALLY MEMBERS TOP: LaTanya Jenkins, Tasha Moore, D. D. Dalpiaz, Tracy Richardson, BOTTOM: Felecia KLine, Tricia Hartel, Cindy Houck, Ericka Warren, Leilauni McGinnis and Sonya Wilson build a pyramid to enthuse the Benson crowd.

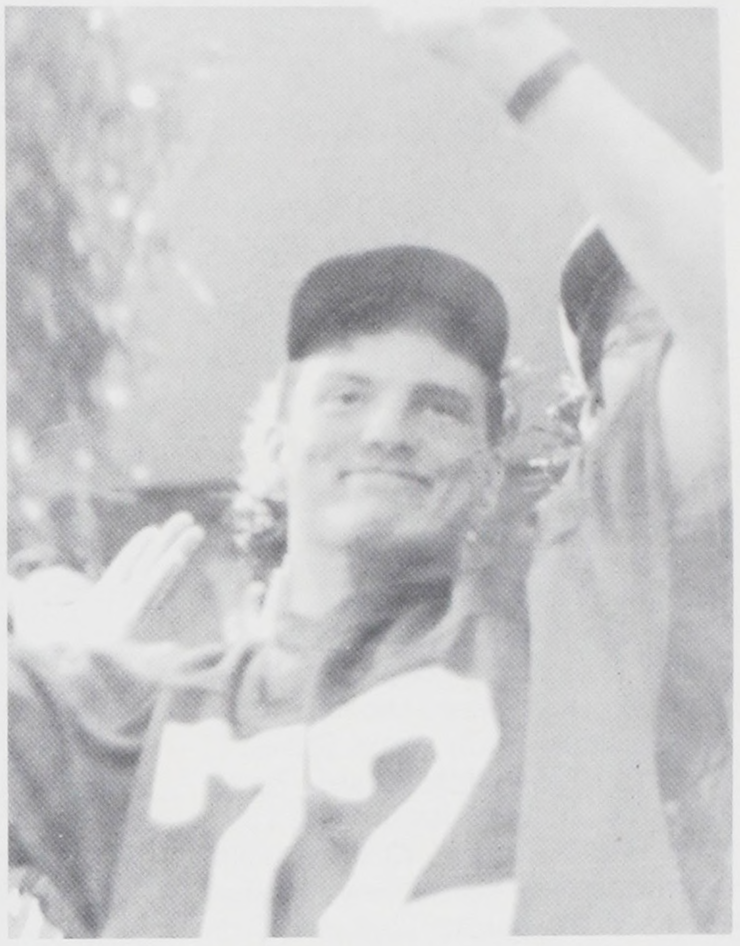
RALLY SHOWS TECHNIQUE

The tension builds, they shake with nervousness, but finally the intense routine is punched out and the long awaited moment is over. The varsity rally completed their well practiced performance at the annual Nordstroms' Cheer-Off, one of the highlights of varsity fall rally.

During the summer, both J.V. and varsity rallies began practicing for the exciting football season ahead. This started with a four day cheerleading camp at the University of Portland. "It was a lot of fun and hard work too. The camp brought us closer as a squad," said Michelle Hausauer (12).

After camp, the rallies continued learning, practicing, and having fun at daily doubles, which were held at the same time as the football teams' practices. Jennifer Halverson said, "During daily doubles, we all had to work as a team, and we practiced as long and as hard as the football players."

The large member turnout for the rallies, along with the excellent performance of the football teams, proved the season to be a great one.



The varsity rally smiles as they build the "split pyramid" for the crowd at the Civic Stadium.

George Runyon shows his spirit as he cheers on the varsity rally at the Nordstroms' Cheer-Off.

THE J.V. RALLY GOES INTO ACTION, TOP: Layena Williams, Jennifer Halvorson, Angela Pak, Catrina Remster, Bottom: Shantel Ford, Kay Brown, Phetsavauhn Visathep, Tanisha Williams, Kelly Coleman, Laurie Whitmore, Amy Asay, and Anne Chan.

BOTH WIN ALL BUT ONE

Both the JV and the frosh football teams pushed through the season with only one loss. The JV team scored ten wins against one loss. Coach Bill Ranta saw great potential in the JV team: "We will fill in the varsities team member loses next year. Things will still be good." Romon Hall (10), tailback; Chad Phillips (10), line backer; Jason Wack (10), defensive back; Ray Nelson (10), full back and line backer; and Mike Shultz (10), quarter back worked hard for the wins.

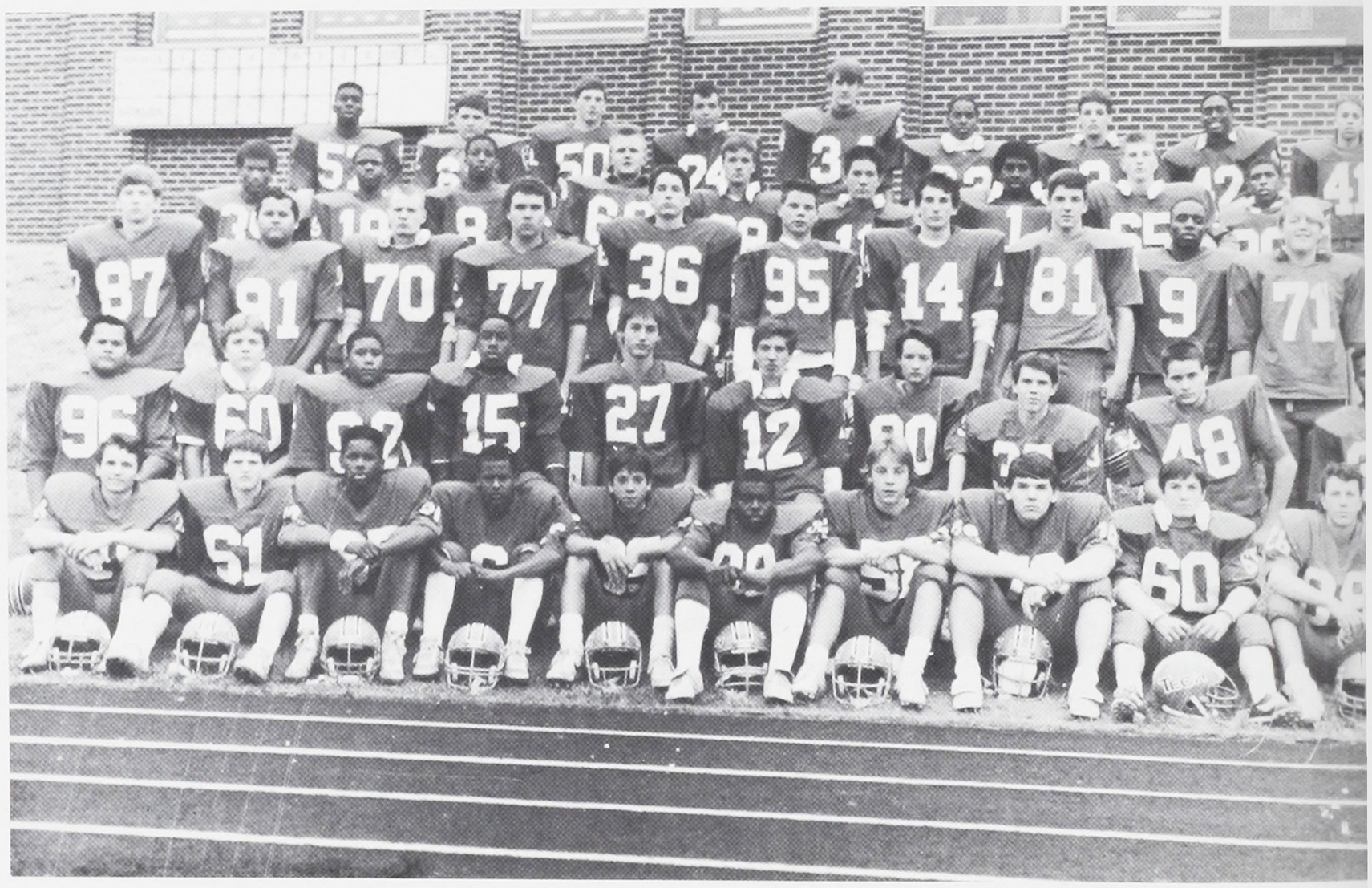
Brent Moseley (10), defensive end, commented, "We have the best coaches and we play good football. We should have been 11-0. On the field we need to forget everything else, come closer together as a team, and just play football."

The frosh team finished the season 9-1. Steve Littleton (9) and Eugene Achison (9), both running backs; Paul Wiggins (9) and Hans Saucier (9) both lineman; and Eric Jenkins (9), quarterback put a lot of effort into the games.

Coach Vern Melvin had a positive outlook on the frosh team: "This team's crop of linemen compare well with the 1986-1987 lineman. The team is just as tough as the teams of the past two years."

JV SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent
25- 0	Jefferson
28- 0	Jefferson
26- 7	Cleveland
32- 0	Jefferson
39- 7	Lincoln
26- 8	Central Catholic
7-26	Madison
13-12	Grant
40-26	Centennial
29-14	Wilson
35-18	Franklin



JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM, FRONT: Jason Moon, Robert Martin, Jerome Person, Eferm Mehretab, Jonathen Erhardt, Chris Brown, Bobby Dewey, Jim McFarlane, Edwin Parks, and Gorden Brice. TWO: Eddie Lona, Steve Moon, Roosevelt Ross, Eric Teat, Brian Embree, Aaron Dauchy, Jamie Graves, T. K. Farris, Brent Mosely, and Russel Payne. THREE: Brent Hauke, Ernie Lona, Henry Polete, Jason Whiteley, Peter Simpson, Jeremy Calflin, Tony Ardueser, Jeffery Friend, Brandon Boyd, and Chris Tibbal. FOUR: Andre Jamison, Levon Pierce, Ishaq Shamsud-Din, Thom Schawb, Andy Sorenson, Mike Schultz, Ramon Hall, Chad Phillips, and Mike Cross. BACK ROW: Richard Chambers, Paul Shearer, Kyle Hawes, Carlos La Guardia, Gerry Scott, Richard Norwood, Jason Wack, Ray Nelson, and Ric Rivers.

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL TEAM, FRONT: Eugene Kelsaw, Chris Stermon, Nathaniel Niece, Ivery Mays, Jason Packham, Charles Regele, Nyklos Cole, Mario Pernetti. TWO: Conrad Hurdle, Milborn Booze, Patrick Sanders, Carlos Abbot, Eric Jenkins, Steve Garrick, Paul Muir, Steve Littleton, Leon McKenzie, Nate Griffin, Charley Wachsmuth, Clay Owenson. THREE: Peter Isaac, Brad Conger, Grant Ewell, Sloan Chambers, Coach Kim Rowland, Coach Vern Melvin, Coach Leon McKenzie, Jason Pauker, Zaudie Phillips, Eugene Atchison, Caleb Borchers. FOUR: Leo White, Wilfredo Elenes, Chad Griffin, Bruce Edwards, Paul Wiggin, Mike Johnson, Arien Caril, Hans Saucier, Aaron Hughes, Damien Bradley, Heath Williams, and Kwame Warfield.

A loose ball causes a lot of commotion in the game against Cleveland.

Mike Schultz (10) is stopped by Cleveland player in his bid for an extra point.

FROSH SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent
8-0	Wilson
28- 0	Marshall
14- 0	Oregon City
32-14	Cleveland
24-12	Jefferson
27- 0	Lincoln
27- 6	Madison
0-18	Grant
38- 0	Wilson
36- 0	Franklin

John Erhardt (10) and Ramon Hall (10) dive after a Cleveland Player.

VOLLEYBALL HUMS WITH ACTIVITY

Dancing back and forth, volleyball players concentrated, waiting for the volleyball to shoot over the net. The ball hits back court: bump, set, spike — over the net.

Benson's volleyball games hummed with action as each player focused on every hit of the ball. Although varsity team members suffered a few injuries, the team pulled through the season. The varsity placed third or better in every tournament. They placed fourth in the PIL, the Techsters best year.

Captain, Michele Klein (12) played all four years at the varsity level. Other seniors, Lynda Reese, Rustina Owenby, and Shannon Henderson played three years, while Chiki Kwong played two. "The juniors were a strong part of the varsity team," said Michele Klein, "And the only sophomore, Donna Olsen, also made a big difference in th season."

The junior varsity volleyball team working with coach Mary Kay grew more united. After a slow start, they finished the season with 9 wins and 9 losses. "It too a long time to pull it together."

Shannon Henderson hits a perfect back set to the Lincoln team.

Michele Klein (12) spikes the ball after a great set by Amy Wolf (11).
Covering is Rachell Casey (11).

SCOREBOARD

Benson		Opponent
2	1	Grant
0	2	Wilson
2	0	Roosevelt
2	0	Madison
2	0	Lincoln
2	1	Grant
0	2	Marshall
1	2	Jefferson

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS ARE, back: Shannon Henderson (12), Rustina Owenby (12), Mary Norris (11), Rachel Casey (11), Holly Milne (11), Amy Wolf (11), and Coach Debbie Mador, (front) Lynda Reese (12), Donna Olsen (10), Michele Klien (12), Angie Myers (11), and Chiki Kwong (12).

THE J.V. PLAYERS ARE, FIRST ROW: Sondra Ripley (10), Wendi Ingle (11), Angie Olsen (11), and Shannon Lee (10). SECOND: Becky Kerr (10), Renee Gibson (10), Hang Tran (10), Jane Palomo (9). THIRD: Rhonda Richardson (9), Caren Beaton (10), Carrie Ward (10), and Uyen Sung (10), BACK: Coach Mary Kay.

The Freshmen players are in the back row: Melissa Westfall (9), Coach Denis Carline, Michelle Kack (9). MIDDLE: Lisa Kennedy (9), Jenny McCluskey (9), Rochelle Watson (9), Andrea Hooper (9). First: Tricia Eslinger (9), Jamie Viengkham (9), and Hong Nguyen (9).

OUTLOOK FOR SOCCER IMPROVES

"All of our competition was tough because our team was so young and inexperienced. We improved throughout the year, but our inexperience shows in our record," said varsity soccer captain, Shad Clarke (12). The men's varsity team and their new coach, Fran Bader, fought through a hard season. The team struggled to come out with a 2-5-2 total games won, lost, and tied.

Shad Clarke, selected as MVP, said, "The out come looks better for next year because the inexperienced will have a year of varsity under belt which does make a difference." Steve Riddle (11) was most improved player.

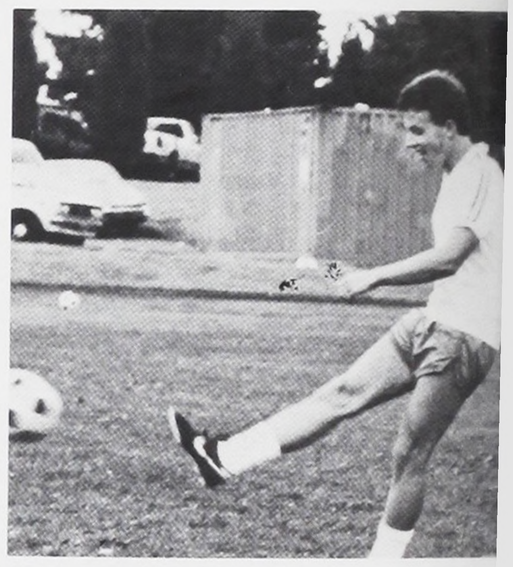
The JV team won 5, lost 5, and tied 3. Matt Wilson (11) was named most valuable player and Andy Dykeman (10) was the most improved.

The Frosh team won 2, lost 7, and tied 1. "Learning to play as a team when everyone was new and from a different area of the city took a lot of time," said Joe Connell (9).

A Benson freshman steals the ball from the opponent.

Steve Bergquist (12) takes an indirect hit.

Kyle Roberts (11) makes a pass.



Steve Wick (12) warms up before the game.

Scott Johnson (10) tries to stop Franklin's goal.

VARSITY SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent
4-1	Marshall
1-4	Cleveland
1-2	Lincoln
0-2	Franklin
3-1	Jefferson
0-0	Madison
0-5	Grant
2-3	Roosevelt
1-8	Wilson

FRESHMAN, TOP: Charlie Waterman (9), Randy Hyun (9), Bran Butler (9), Clarence Woods (9), Joe Connell (9), Patrick Humphrey (9). MIDDLE: Brandon Powell (9), Mark Bussy (9), Ian Moxley (9), Matt Schalk (9), Zack Roberts (9), Ayinde Priestley (9), Joe Luu (9). BOTTOM: Lauren Varney (9), Tu Phan (9), Victor Ward (9), and Shreeyash Palshikar (9).

J.V. SOCCER TEAM, TOP: Coach Roberto Barrantes, John Tzantarmas (11), Mike Klein (11), Che Shompe (11), Clarence Woods (9), Scott Tice (11), Brian Gall (11), Andy Dykeman (20). MIDDLE: Quong Quan (10), Ken Sasaki (10), Tim Regal (10), Ryan Marsh (10), Justin Luong (11), and Luis Gonzales (11).

VARSITY SOCCER TEAM, TOP: Coach Fran Bader, Dion Steinborn (11), Scott Johnson (10), Steve Riddle (11), Erik Surbrook (12), Peter Collins (12), Doug Wick (11), Shannon Gillis (11). BOTTOM: Shad Clark (12), Ian Simpson (11), Stephan Dillon (11), Steve Wick (12), and Steve Berquist (12).

GIRLS' SOCCER PLAYS FIRST SEASON

For the first time, Benson had a female varsity soccer team. Their new coach, Debbie Englestad, had been involved in soccer for nine years and coached two years at Grant before coming to Benson. "The win-loss ratio does not tell the whole story," said Coach Englestad. "In each game there was willingness to learn and improvements were made. The team finished with three wins, four losses, and one tie.

The team, made up of nineteen girls, had representatives from all grades including two from the freshman class. "We hope the skills that the coach taught us this year will show on the scoreboard next year," said LeeAnne Roach (10).

Benson moves against the opponent.

SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent
4-1	Marshall
0-7	Cleveland
0-7	Lincoln
5-1	Jefferson
0-0	Madison
0-6	Grant
2-0	Roosevelt
0-6	Franklin

WOMENS' SOCCER, TOP: Sharon Woodard (10), Inez Ruiz (10), Lucia Ramirez (10), Coach Debbie Englestad, Karyn Ellis (10), Manu Scheid (11), Ursula Madden (11). MIDDLE: Stefanie Lawson (12), Emelia Ortiz (12), Oshannah Gillis (12), Colleen Huntwork (1 Crystal Barnes (10), LeeAnne Roach (10), Jodee Varney (12). BOTTOM: Becky Farrell (9), Laurel Cain (12), Debbie Reiersgaard (1 Shelli Williams (9), Julianne Trout (12), and Han Jo-Jo Lai (10).

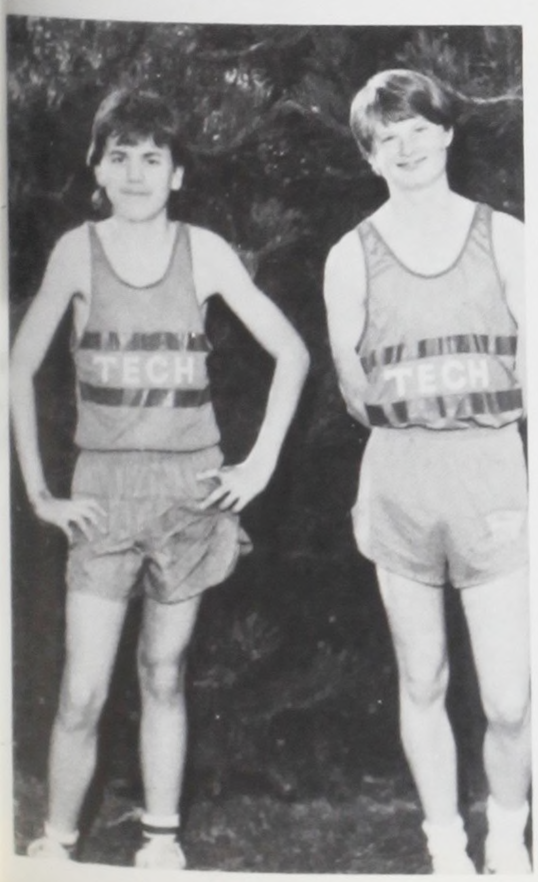
CROSS-COUNTRY FOSTERS TEAM SPIRIT

Although the cross-country team placed low in overall city competition, they were a success as a team. "We did our best," said co-captain, Michael Cleary (12). "We worked well together and supported each other." Josh Adams (11) a promising varsity member, was unable to finish the season because of a hip injury. Mark Duplessie (12), Michael Cleary (12), and Dan Stott (11) led the guys varsity team in most of the meets. Mark Duplessie (12) was voted most valuable player. Most valuable player on the boys' junior varsity team was Cuong Hua (10).

The girls' team, although few in number, put up a good fight. Freshman Kathy Bisch, the only varsity runner on the girls' team received an MVP award. The girls' junior varsity MVP was Katie Van Winkle (10). Katie, a strong runner, finished within the top five in each of her meets.

Katie Vanwinkle (10) warms up before a run.

MEN'S VARSITY, BACK: Carrie Barber (10), Josh Adams (11), Stephanus Laenen (10), Nathan Davey (11), Mike Cleary (12). MIDDLE: Keith Duplessie (11), Binesh Tharakan (11), David Sumner (12), Tye Trepanier (12). FRONT: Brian Kurkoski (11), Mark Duplessie (12), and Dan Stott (11).



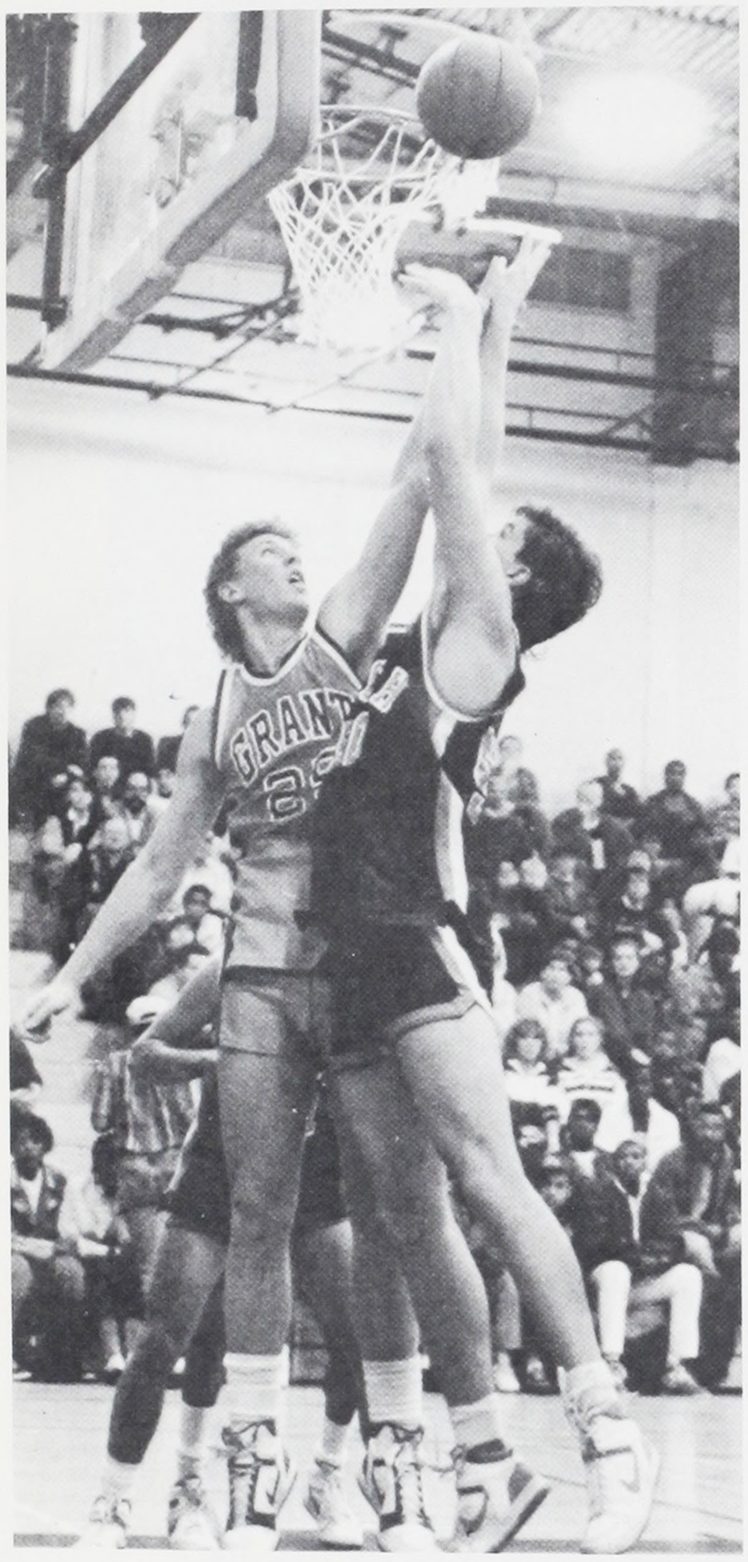
MEN'S J.V., BACK: Cuong Hua (11), Boyd Dunnigan (10), Duane Butler (10), Brian Davey (10). FRONT: Ron Bloker (11), Shannon Miotke (9), Bob Sheldon (10), and Carey Barr (10).

FRESHMAN: Matthew Shields (9) and Bill Fletcher (9).

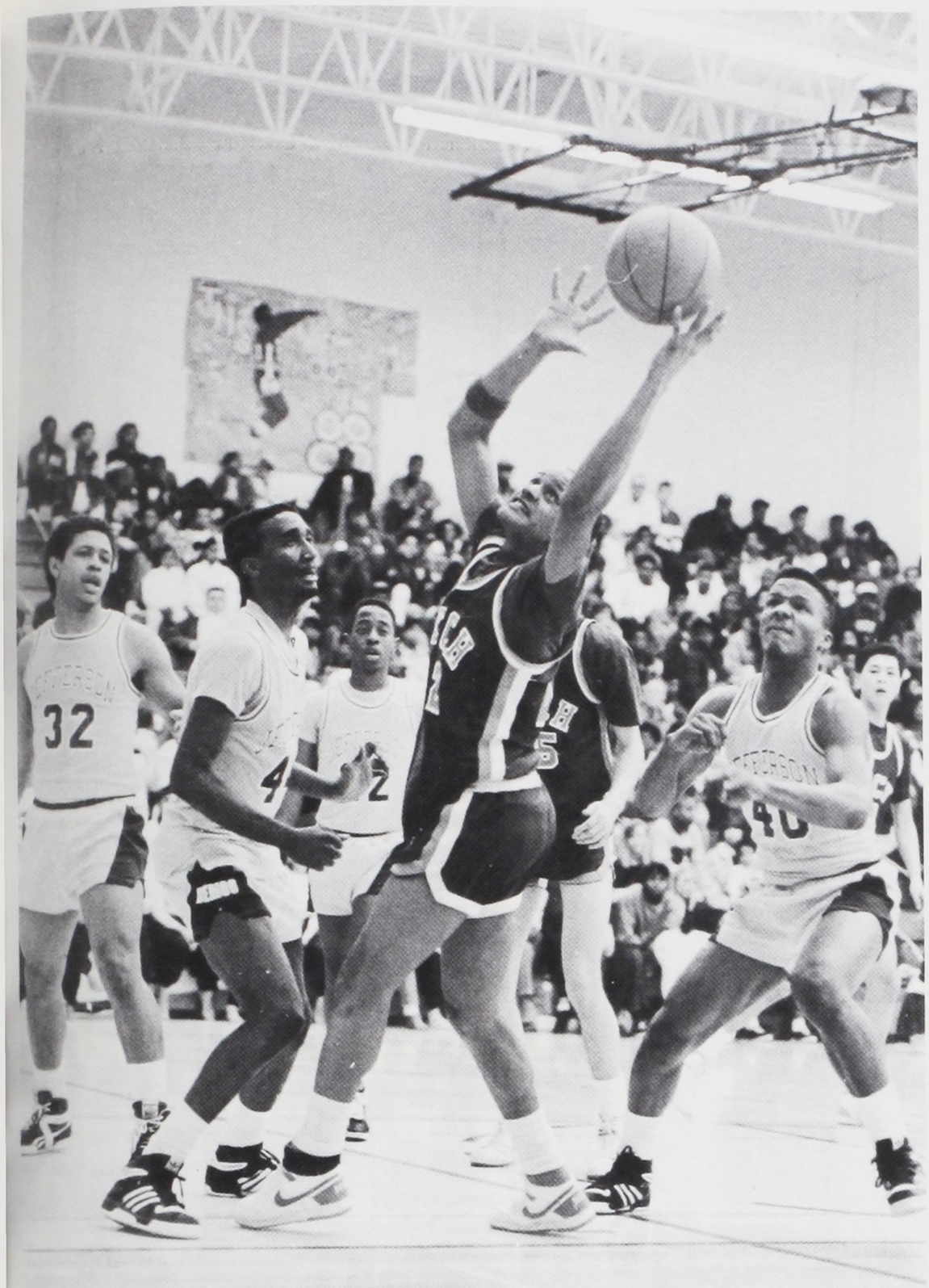
J.V.: Sharsee Williams (9) and Katie Vanwinkle (10).

Matt Asay (12) dishes the ball inside while leaping between Jefferson players.

Sean Flick (12) does a power move on a Grant player.



Duc Dang (12) goes in for the basket during Bonson's victory over the Roosevelt Roughriders in overtime.



A STRONG CONTENDER

TECHMEN BEAT 8 OUT OF 9 IN PIL

"It was a good season, but they should have finished better," commented Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach Don Emry. Guy Nelson (12) also agreed, "We should have finished at least second." The deciding factor in the P.I.L. ratings depended on Benson winning the game against Wilson.

In the first meeting between these two top ranked contenders, the Techmen came from behind to stun the visiting Trojans with a victory of 71-69, but this wasn't the case in the second game at Wilson.

The Techmen were down at the half, 25-28, but not out of it. By the first of the fourth quarter the Techmen tied the game. Unfortunately the Trojans weren't about to give up. The fourth quarter belonged to the Trojans who sank 14 of 15 free throw shots in the last five minutes of the game. The Trojans came away triumphant, 52-43. Guy Nelson (12) said "It was our worst game of the season. We didn't prepare enough."

But the Techmen proved their ability in a double overtime against Cleveland. Then fifth ranked Benson came back from the dead to score 52-50 in a win over Cleveland in double overtime. Cleveland leading most of the way, was in front 44-41 with four seconds to go. Techmen Joe Bushman (12) sank a 22 foot three pointer at the buzzer to force the overtime.

Cleveland's Jason Miller made a 10 footer with seven seconds to go in the first overtime to necessitate a second extra session. Benson jumped to a 52-48 advantage in that one and held on for the win.

Even though the Techmen didn't take first, "I think we proved that we were as good or even better than the teams that did get by us," said senior post, Sean Flick.

"And if a team did get by the Techmen, they didn't have a prayer the second time around," added Matt Asay (12). The seasons win-loss record was 14-4.

TOP: Trent Aldridge (11) takes control of the ball upsetting Jefferson players.

VARSITY BOYS, FRONT: Walter Bailey (12), Trent Aldridge (11), Steven Harris (12), Orlando Williams (10), David Powell (11). BACK: Manager Paul Kucera, Guy Nelson (12), Mike Klein (10), Matt Asay (12), Sean Flick (12), Jeremy Kopra (11), Duc Dang (12), Paul Green (12), and Coach Don Emry.

VARSITY BOYS SCOREBOARD

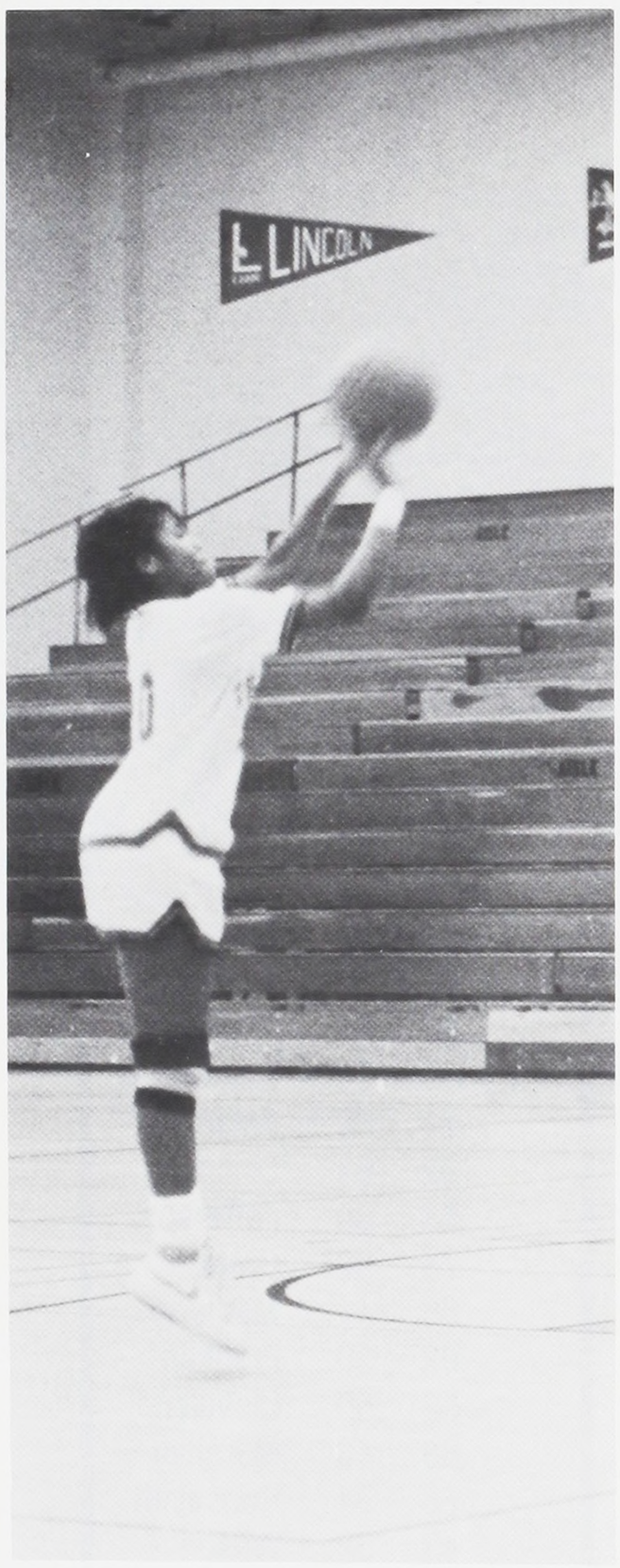
BENSON	OPPONENTS	
54	32	Lincoln
54	59	Jefferson
66	69	Grant
77	52	Madison
71	52	Franklin
72	57	Cleveland
66	64	Marshall
83	74	Roosevelt
71	69	Wilson
92	61	Lincoln
58	60	Jefferson
75	52	Grant
68	41	Madison
82	50	Franklin
52	50	Cleveland
88	43	Marshall
68	54	Roosevelt
43	52	Wilson

PIL LEADS TO PLAY-OFFS

What a record! The girls' varsity basketball team accomplished many of their goals this year including being the first girls' basketball team at Benson to make the playoffs. "Getting there was hard, but because we stayed together as a team and played as a team, we did it," commented Rachell Casey (11).

The team's final record was 12 wins and 12 loses. In their most exciting game against Grant, they came from behind in the last few minutes of the game when Alicia Byrd sank two — three pointers.

"The girls worked hard all year. I never once doubted that the girls could make it," stated Coach Denis Carline. "I'm very proud of each one of them."



Felicia Poe (10) shows her form with a three point shot.

VARSITY GIRLS

SCOREBOARD

BENSON	OPPONENTS
47-46	Grant
57-47	Madison
49-43	Roosevelt
30-52	Franklin
57-44	Cleveland
39-47	Marshall
57-41	Roosevelt
41-50	Wilson
56-37	Lincoln
58-38	Jefferson
51-65	Grant
26-58	Wilson
38-29	Madison
46-41	Franklin
55-68	Cleveland
30-61	Marshall

TOP LEFT: Exhausted but excited, Benson's team cheers after qualifying for the play-offs.

Felicia Poe (10) and teammates take control of the court by working their press breaker.

TOP: Sherelle Willims (11) pushes against the offense.

GREAT PLAYERS MAKE A GREAT TEAM

Centennials defense didn't stop Sherelle Williams (11) from taking her outside shot.

After Alicia Byrd (11) knocked the ball loose she quickly ran down the court for a layup.

Sherelle Williams (11) takes her shot while Alicia Byrd positions herself for the rebound.

Sherelle Williams (11) received First Team all-city and Honorable Mention in State. She was also invited to play in Hong Kong. "Not only was it me who received the awards, but the team who helped me receive them," said Sherelle.

Alicia Byrd (11) received Honorable Mention and will play at the B.C.I. Girls' Basketball Camp in Arizona. Alicia said, "I hope to learn things from the camp that I can later use to the benefit of Benson's varsity girls' team."

BACK: Shawna Ferguson (12), Felicia Kline (12), Michelle Sparks (10), Sherelle William (11), Coach Jackie Brown, Coach Dennis Carline, Coach Gary Morris, Allegra Green (9), Camille Mayfield (10), Alicia Byrd (11), Michelle Douglas (10). FRONT: Suzanne Walls (11), Selena Brant (11), Rachell Casey (11), and Felicia Poe (10).

RALLY FIRST IN PIL TO PLACE

SQUAD'S PERFECT SKILLS

Varsity Rally members competed in the OSSA State Cheer off held in Springfield, Oregon on February 6, 1988. After many hours of practice the squad performed their routine choreographed by Ericka Warren with the help of others, in the large AAA Division. They placed third and were the first PIL rally squad to place in this competition. The judges commented that Benson's Rally was the most exciting and entertaining.

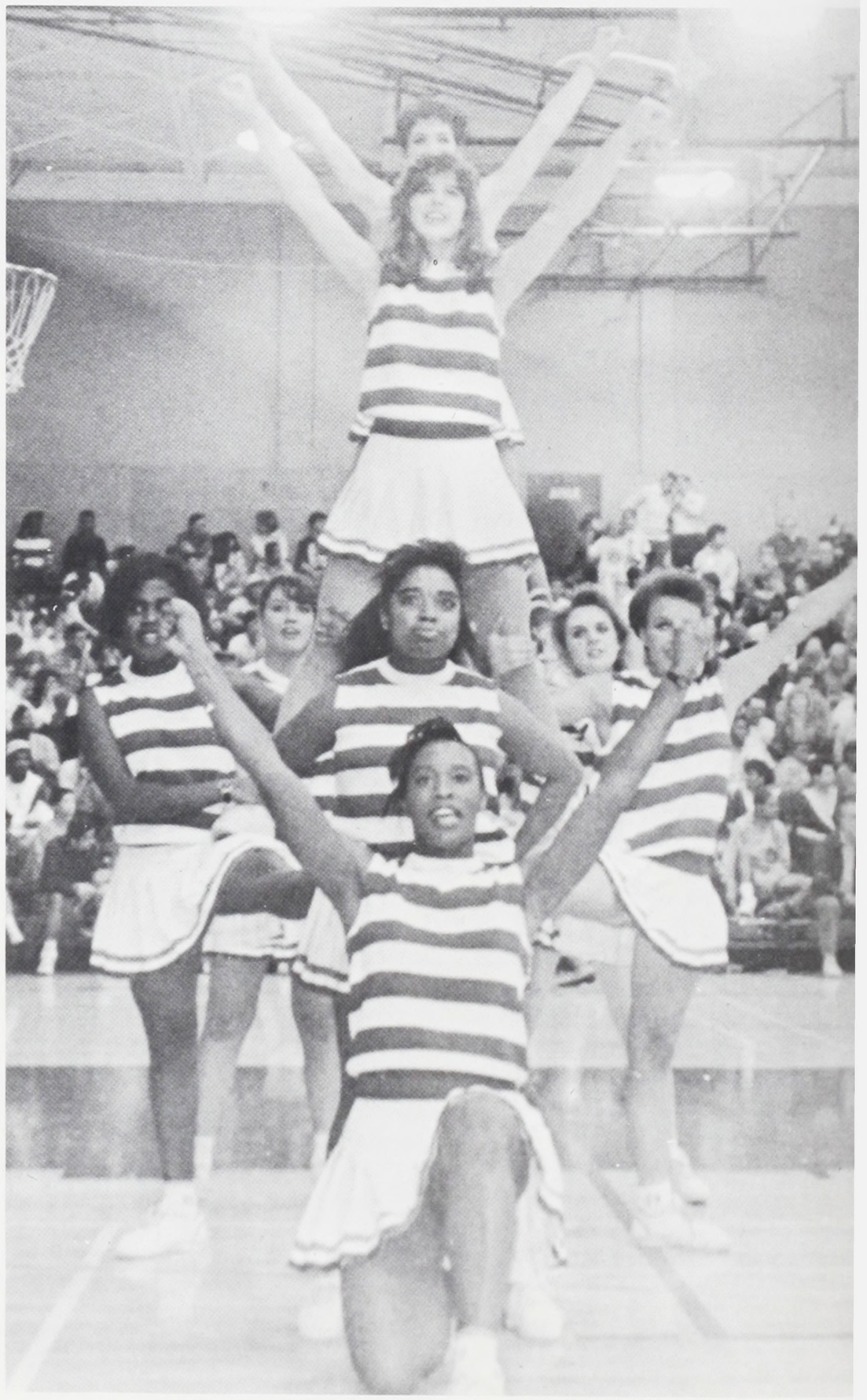
Erin Krieger (12) said, "We were all nervous at first, but once the music started playing, the nervousness went away. It was a lot of work, but most of all we had fun."

Both Varsity and J.V. Rallies had a great season. "The Varsity's Rally size decreased so we couldn't do as many things, but our quality was just as good," stated Ericka Warren.

Ericka Warren, Twilia Caine, Tasha Moore, and Holly Milne cheer for the basketball teams.

TOP: Varsity Rally forms pyramid. BOTTOM: Lyndi Hauke, Ericka Warren, Leilauni McGinnis, O'Shannah Gillis, Twilia Caine. SECOND: Holly Milne. TOP: Tasha Moore, D. D. Dalpiaz.

RIGHT: The Varsity Rally forms a pyramid in their introduction in an assembly. FLOOR: Ericka Warren. STANDING: Leilauni McGinnis, Twilia Caine, Holly Milne, Tasha Moore, and O'Shannah Gillis. TOP: D. D. Dalpiaz and Cyndi Hauke.



FORMING A SOLID PYRAMID ARE VARSITY MEMBERS, FLOOR: Twila Caine, Cyndi Hauke, Ericka Warren, O'Shannah Gillis. MIDDLE: Tasha Moore and Holly Milne. TOP: D. D. Dalpiaz.

J.V. Rally forms a pyramid. FLOOR: Phetsavanh Visathep, Angela Pak. BOTTOM: Shantel Ford, Catrina Remster, Anne Chan. TOP: Laurie Whitmore, Jennifer Halvorson.

Catrina Remster, Angela Pak, Jennifer Halvorson, Phetsavanh Visathep, Shantel Ford, Anne Pak, and Laurie Whitmore practice their splits.

J.V. TEAM, FRONT: Anne Chan, Angela Pak, Laurie Whitmore. BACK: Phetsavanh Visathep, Shantel Ford, Jennifer Halvorson, Catrina Remster. NOT PICTURED: Lejena Williams and Kay Brown.

VARSITY TEAMS CONTEND IN PLAY-OFFS

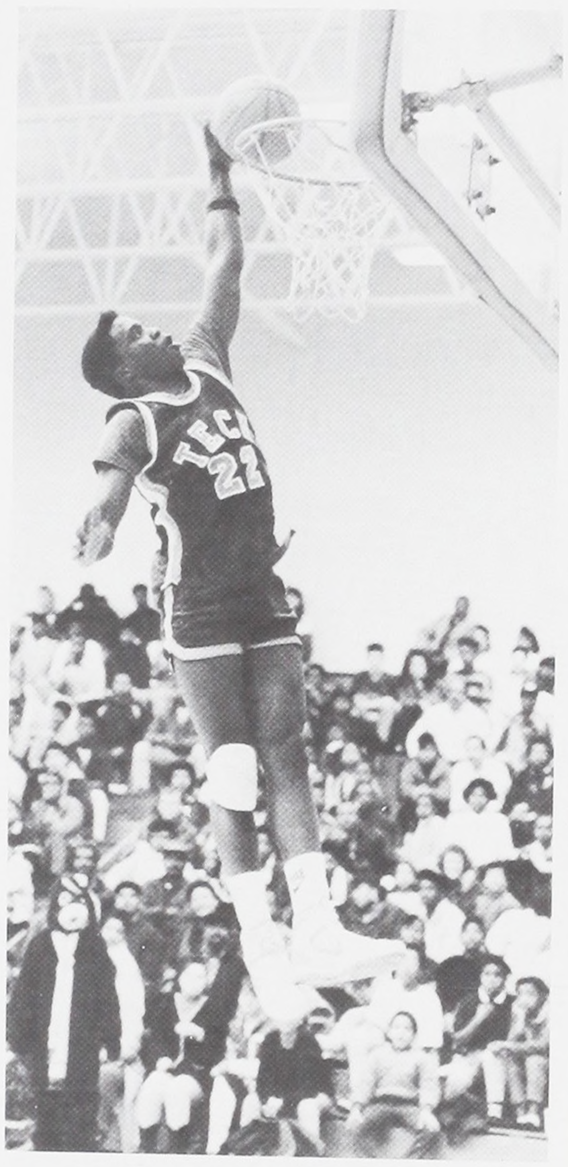
Becoming the first Varsity Girls' team in Benson's history to make it to the play-offs, gave the team something to be proud of. In the first play-off game the Techsters stunned the Centennial crowd with their dazzling moves to the hoop, winning 48 to 35. Benson's tall players had the Eagles running scared. "We had a size advantage, and we used it to our benefit," stated guard Suzanne Walls (10).

Even losing the second play-off game (44-79) to Lake Oswego didn't dampen the team's glory over their historic move. "Falling one game short to Lake Oswego, we didn't finish our play-off goal," stated Felicia Poe (10). "But we felt good because we went as far as the guys."

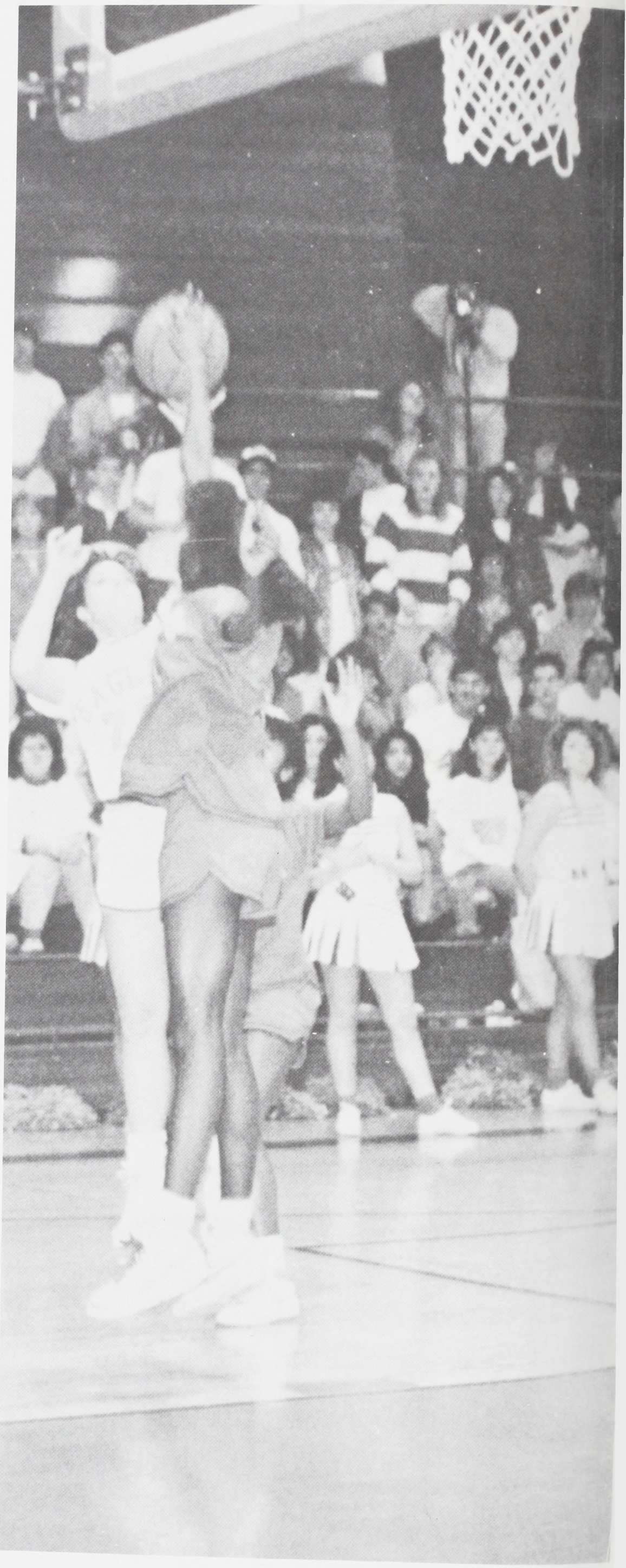
"The only way to end the season, would be to win the State Title," said Jerimy Kopra (11). But to the dismay of many, the Varsity Techmen were stopped by a team some said didn't have what it took to go all the way.

In first round action, Benson hosted visiting Jesuit in a battle of speed and ball control. The game went right to the wire. With four seconds left, Benson fouled, but Jesuit could not come up with the few points to win. Regaining the ball, Jerimy Kopra held on for the buzzer and Benson took the game.

In the second round Benson traveled to South Salem to meet a determined team, but the Techmen succumbed to the Salem team.



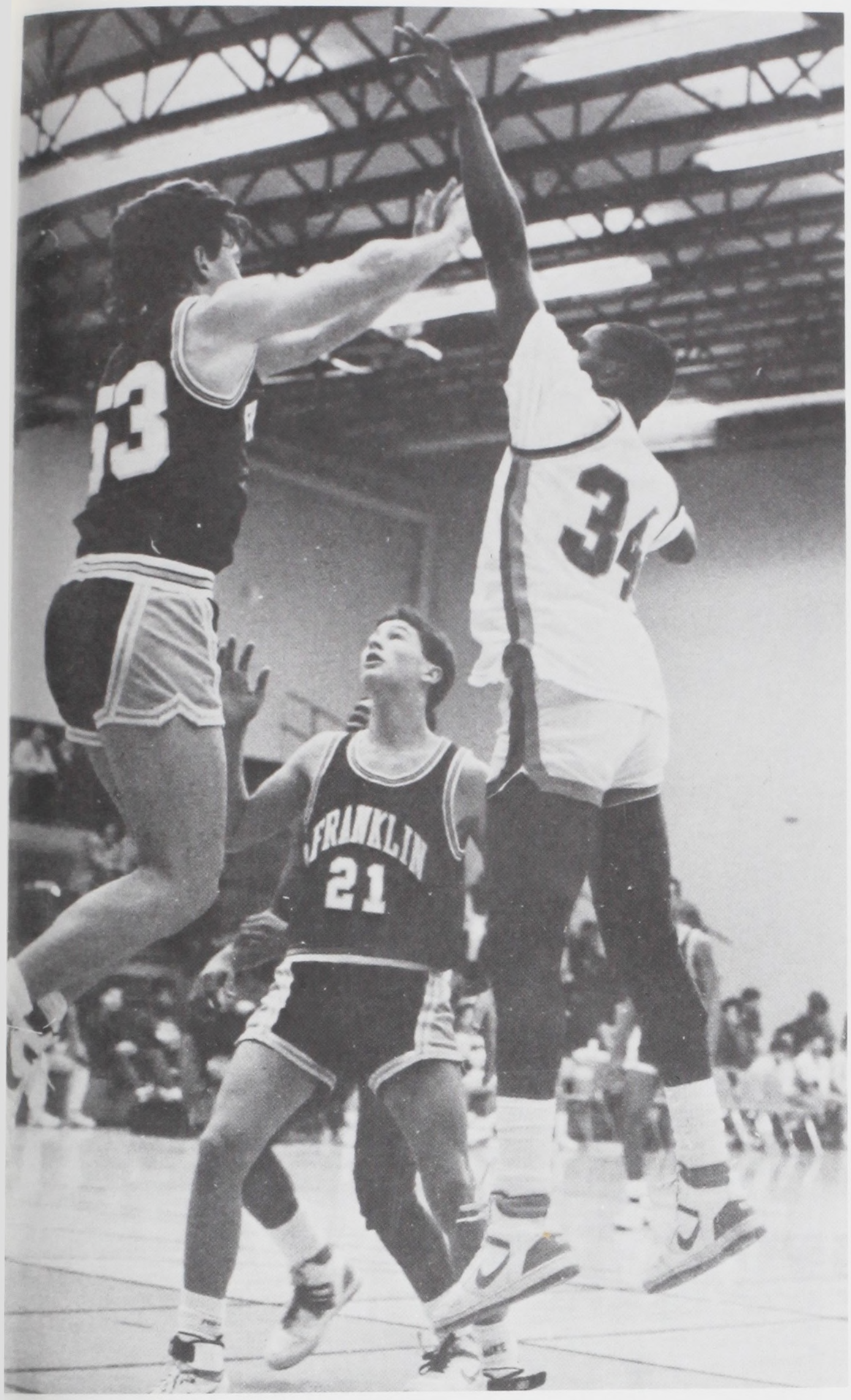
Walt Bailey (12) jambs it for two points.



Teacher Dick Gray enjoys the play-offs just as much as the rowdy group of fans.

Alegra Green caps Centennial's ball as the Techsters put a lid on their season.

JV PLAYS CHALLENGING SEASON



Orlando Williams (10) shoots a jumper over a Franklin opponent.

SCOREBOARD

BENSON		OPPONENTS
90	39	Lincoln
72	63	Jefferson
78	97	Grant
88	59	Madison
74	42	Franklin
63	62	Cleveland
54	55	Marshall
80	51	Roosevelt
57	69	Wilson
89	56	Lincoln
67	73	Jefferson
59	57	Grant
75	40	Madison
87	45	Franklin
58	49	Cleveland
54	55	Marshall
106	49	Roosevelt
70	73	Wilson

Winning 12 games out of 18, the J.V. team played a challenging season. Two of the most exciting games were in the second round. After losing their first game against Grant by twenty points, the J.V. sneaked past them in the next round, winning by only two points. A second game played against Marshall didn't turn out as well. The Benson J.V. team fell behind in the last minutes of this exciting but frustrating game, losing to Marshall for the second time by one point.

The team, predominately sophomores, was led by Orlando Williams (10), Kenny Warren (10), Jason Wack (10), and Donta Warren (10). "This year was a good learning experience that will help us a lot for varsity next year," said Kenny Warren.

FRONT: Donta Warren (10), Carlos La Guardia (10), Kenny Warren (10), Jason Wack (10), Ramon Hall (10), James Mayes (11), and Derek Baldwin (11). BACK: Coach Don Emry, Coach Rich Winter, Jay Miles (10), David Erskine (10), Keith Murphy (10), Donan Barnhart (10), Orlando Williams (10), Canaan Chatman (10), and Manager Paul Kucera (11).

FUTURE GREAT FOR GIRLS' SPORTS

The 1987-88 J.V. basketball season was a good season for the team although having many new players made for a slow start. "We all went through a period of adjustment," commented Robin Letcher (11), "but you do every time you begin a new sport."

The best game of the year, everyone agreed, was the game against Jefferson, when the J.V. Techsters came from behind to win in the final minutes of play by only three points. "We were told that it was now or never to win that game and we knew we could do it," stated Felicia Poe (10). "When we went out on that court, it was as if we all felt the same sense of strength and we pulled together to win," Poe said with a gleam of rememberance in her eye.

The season ended with nine wins and nine losses. "We had an outstanding season and I'm glad that I had the chance to coach these girls. They're a great bunch," said Coach Jackie Brown.

Under the great coaching of Gary Morris, the girls' freshman basketball team lost only one game, a game to Wilson, and the loss was only five points. They beat teams sometime by over thirty points.

Their closest game was against Jefferson which went into overtime. Benson won by one point. "What an exciting game. Most of our games were easy, but that game was special," said Michelle Keck (9).

They also reached a new high-scoring record by getting 95 points against Marshall. "The future looks great for girls' sports and is looking brighter every day," said Coach Morris.

JV GIRLS, FRONT: Camille Mayfield (10), Cathy Peterson (10), Michelle Douglas (10), and Rhonda Richardson (9). BACK: Coach Jackie Brown, Thelma Haile (11), Robyn Lechter (10), Amanda Kelley (10), Karyn Ellis (10), Ameresha Cavil (9).

FROSH, FRONT: Veda Brown, Shanell Burns, Michelle Keck, Venessia Crawford, Dominica McCord, Thea Long. BACK: Coach Gary Morris, Jane Palomo, Becky Farrell, Sharese Williams, Andy Hooper, Rachell Hall, Jenny McClusky, Tanika Harris.

TOP: Michelle Douglas gets the ball on fast break and lays it in the hoop.

SOPHOMORES ARE FIRST AT FIRST

In the first year of its existence, not only did the Sophomore Boys' Basketball team take first place in the PIL, but they also averaged 94 points a game to their opponents 64 point average.

"I was proud of them," said Coach Ben Markin, "They were completely unselfish and always played as a team, giving each other assists and pressing their opponents."

This new team played three hard-driving games against Wilson. After losing the first game by only one point, the Sophomores tied the second Wilson game on home turf in regulation time. In overtime, they pushed past Wilson by three points.

Wilson felt confident when the third game — the play-off game — was set on their court. But Benson's Sophomores beat them easily, 98 to 68.

Dean Jolly (10) was voted most valuable player by their teammates. "Managers Jason Fouts (10), Jason Fulmer (10), and Eric Wehage (10) also gave an unbelievable amount of time to the team," said Coach Markin.

The Freshman team finished a strong 16-6. "All members contributed to the success of the team," said Coach Kim Bowland, "but Hans Saucier, Leon McKenzie, Mike Johnson, and John Nickelson put out really poured it on."

TOP: SOPHOMORES, FRONT: Casey Robinson (10), Mike Cross (10), Quandry Robertson (10), Gail Fair (10), Bieu Bui (10), Marcellus Brown (10), Carlos Abbott (9), and Steve Wagner (9). BACK: Tony Ardueser (10), Mike Molony (10), Scott Johnson (10), Jeff Friend (10), Dean Jolley (10), Carey Barr (10), Matt Naylor (9), Kory Murphy (9), and Coach Ben Markin.

FROSH, FRONT: Dominique McCord, Curry Valentine, and Leon McKensie. BACK: Eugene Kelsaw, Caleb Borchers, Mike Johnson, Jeff Hawker, Peter Adams, Coach Kim Rowland, Paul Wiggins, Hans Sauciur, LaShawn McCarthy, and Nathan Kabza.

SOPHOMORES SCOREBOARD

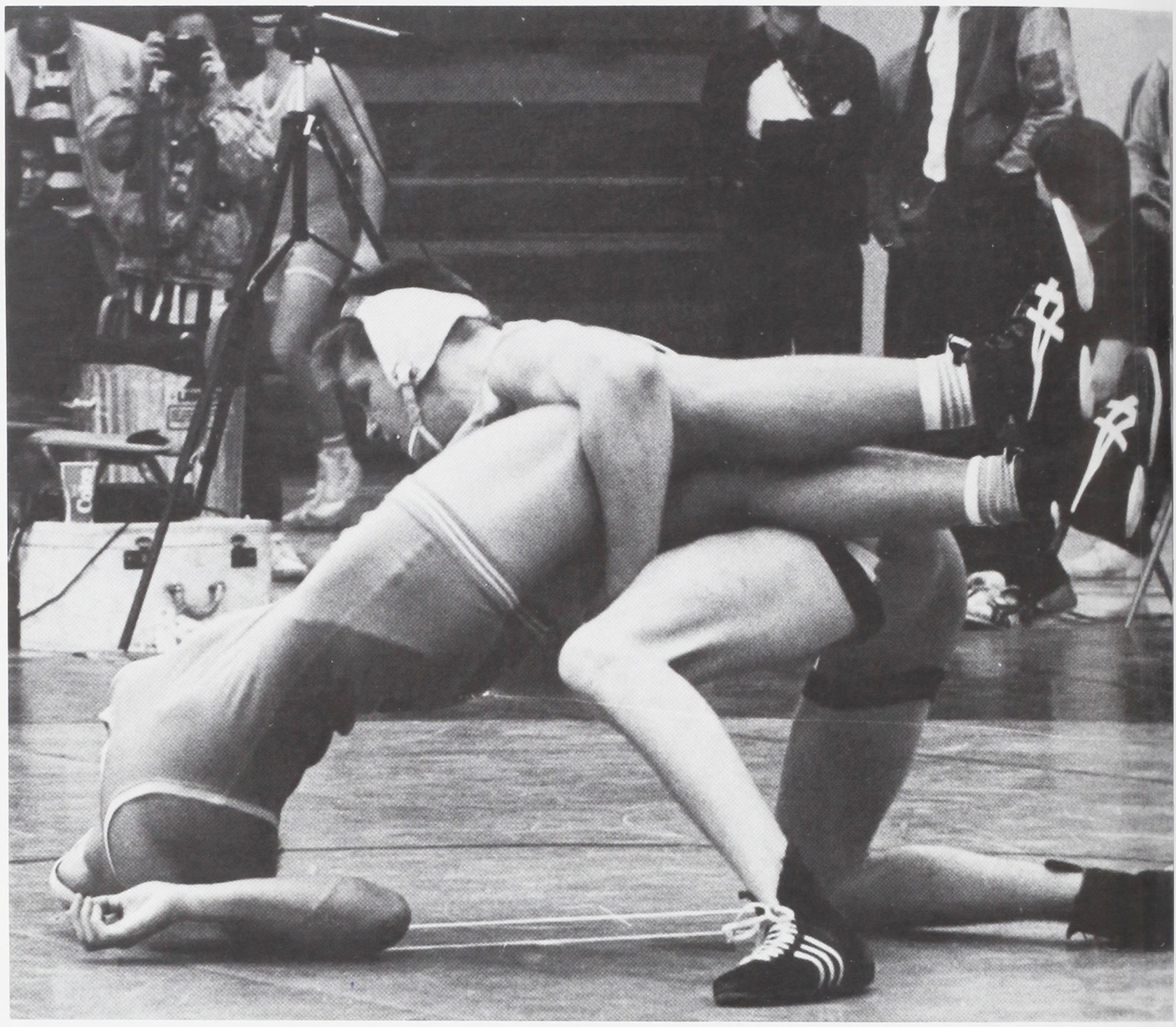
BENSON	OPPONENT
85-77	West Linn
109-77	Grant
54-67	Sunset
107-90	Jefferson
128-26	Madison
82-49	Cleveland
69-70	Wilson
73-75	Gresham
125-30	Lincoln
92-61	Grant
93-24	Franklin
93-39	Clackamas
89-81	Jefferson
95-92	Wilson
98-68	Wilson

BENSON WRESTLERS CRUSH IN PIL

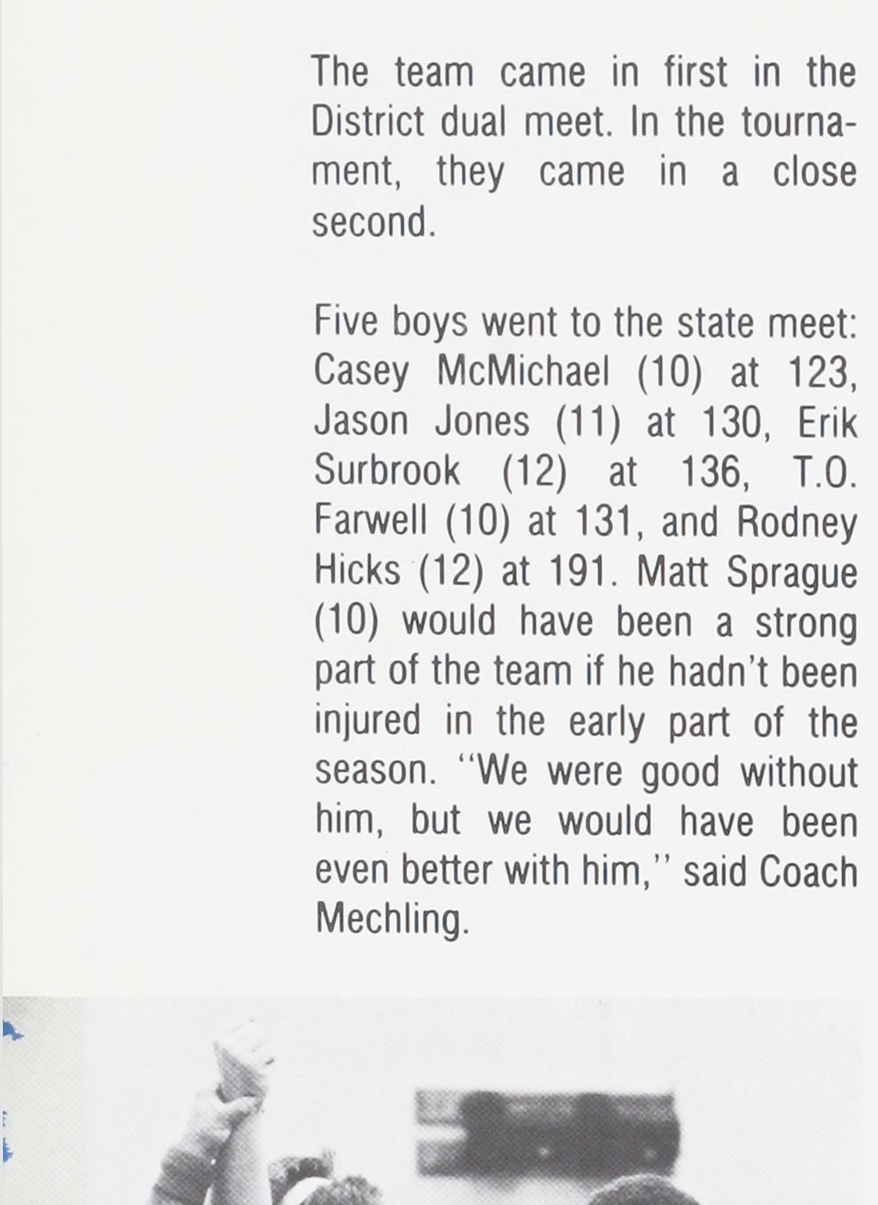
Benson's wrestlers faced very close competition at each level. "The Techmen beat Grant 39 to 20 for the league championships and then in a turn-around, lost to them in the District by a very few points. "We had a very satisfactory season," said Coach Mike Mechling. "In the dual meet for city champions, the fate of the team was decided in the last seconds of the matches.

The team came in first in the District dual meet. In the tournament, they came in a close second.

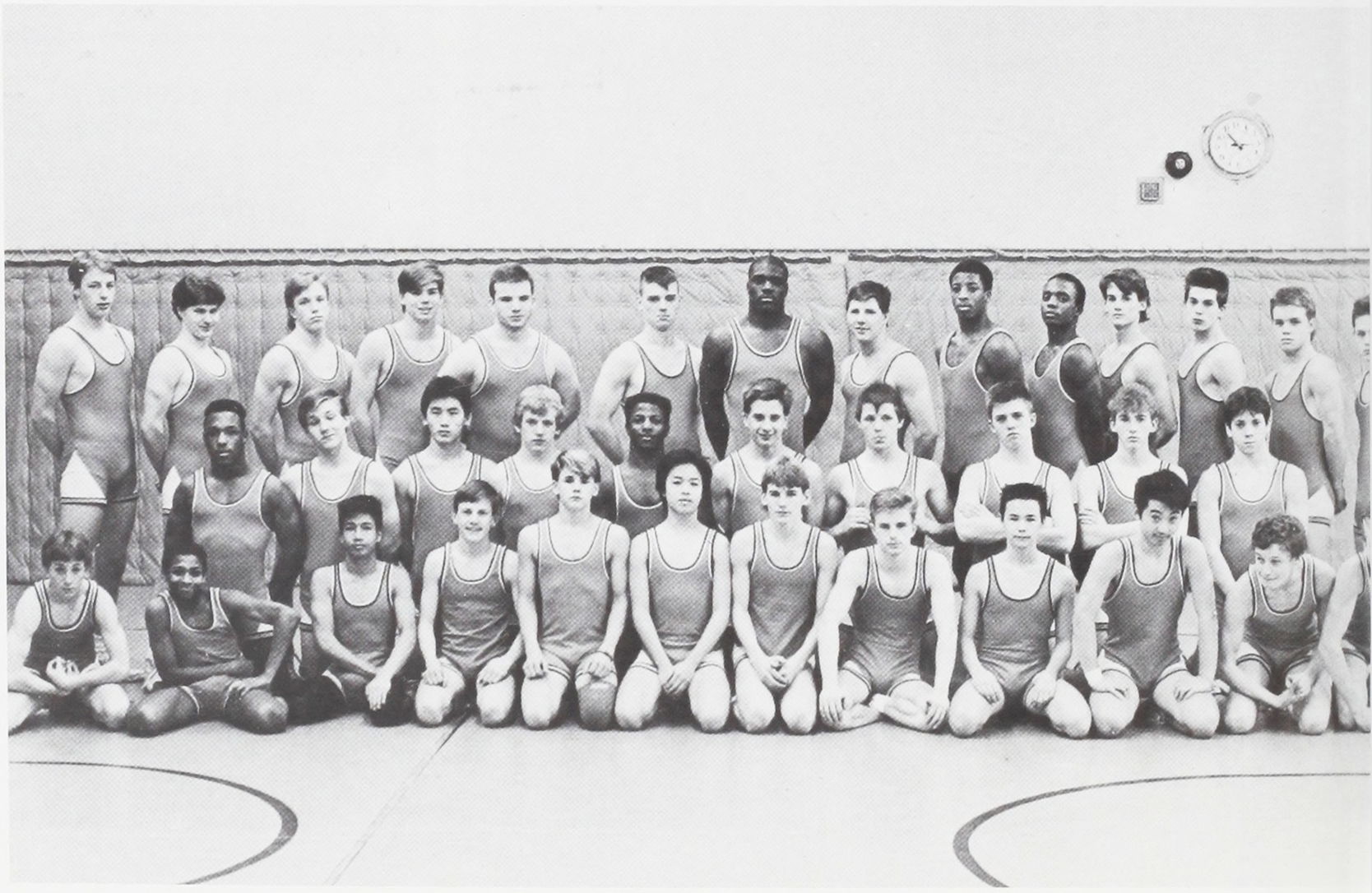
Five boys went to the state meet: Casey McMichael (10) at 123, Jason Jones (11) at 130, Erik Surbrook (12) at 136, T.O. Farwell (10) at 131, and Rodney Hicks (12) at 191. Matt Sprague (10) would have been a strong part of the team if he hadn't been injured in the early part of the season. "We were good without him, but we would have been even better with him," said Coach Mechling.



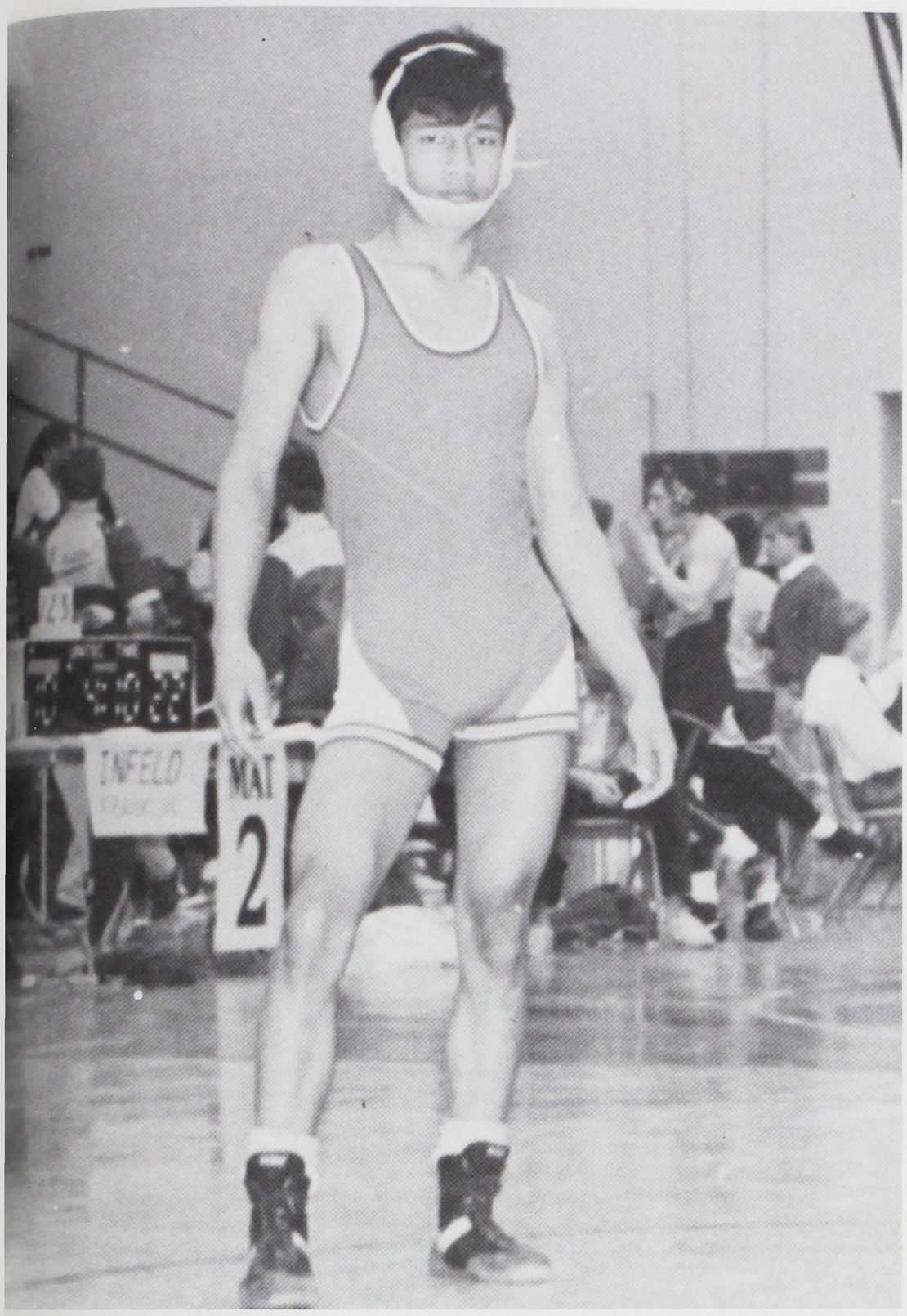
T. O. Farwell puts on a reverse Boston crab to pin his opponent from Cleveland.



After an astonishing match, Carey Lish (10), raised his hand to indicate his win.

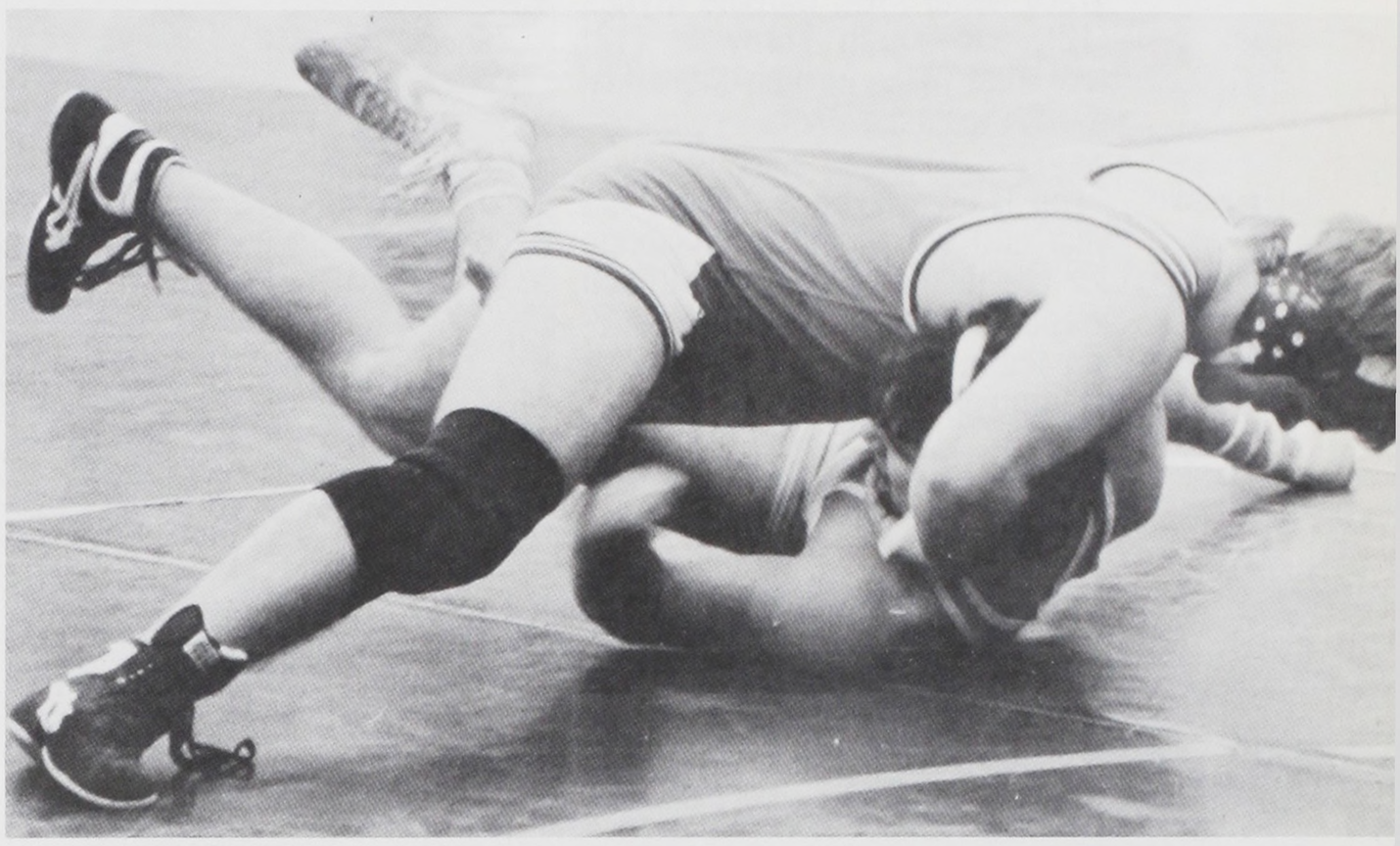


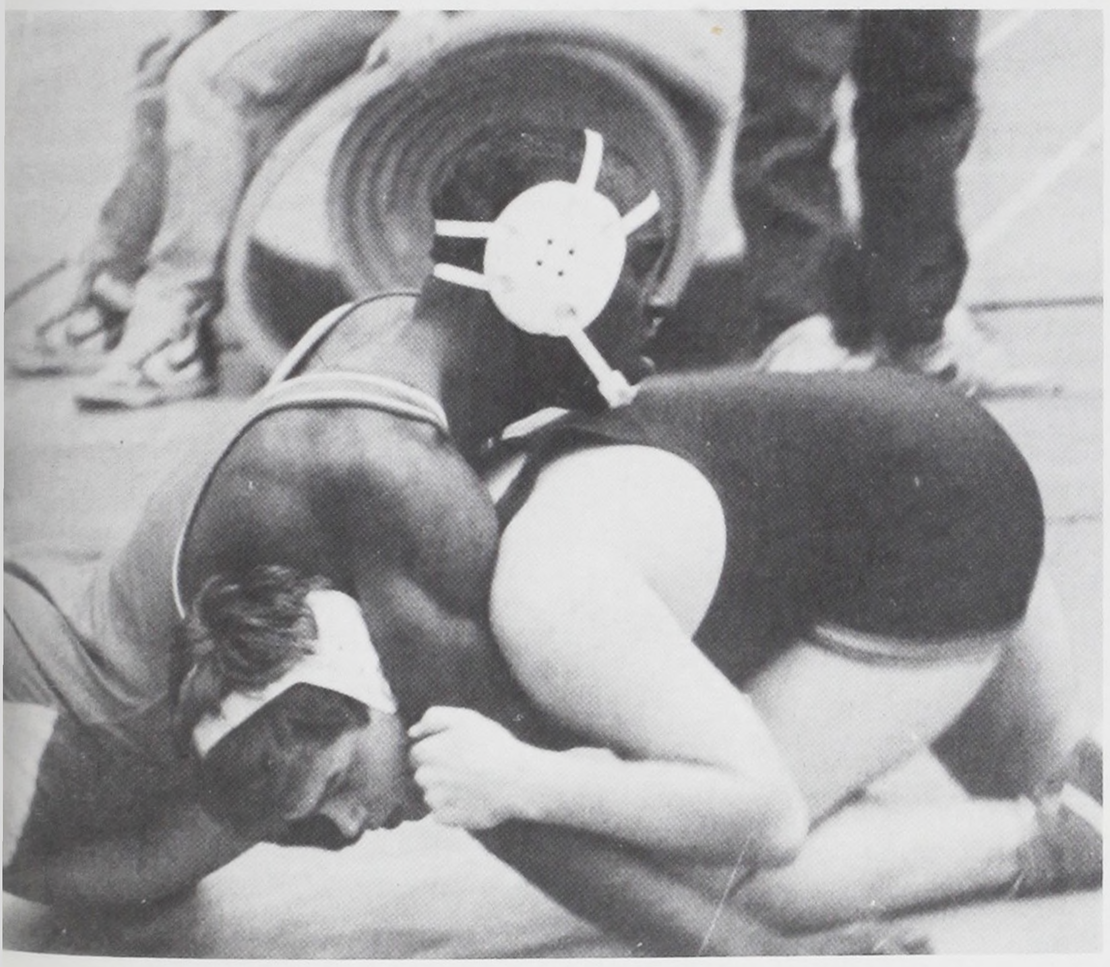
WRESTLING TEAM, FRONT: Kelly Howard (10), Sekou Ford (10), Neil Paragas (12), Derrick Wipper (10), Travis Young (9), Bernard Lao (10), Jon Knoedler (11), Jason Asher (12), Shane Lee (10), Steve Kwak (10), Jon Knoedler (11), Jason Asher (12), Shane Lee (10), Steve Kwak (10), Danny White (11), Jeremy Lewis (10). MIDDLE: Jason Jones (11), Aaron Thompson(10), Jim Pak (12), Dion Steinborn (11), Duran Beasley (11), Casey McMichael (10), T. C. Farwell (10), Dunnigan (11), Jon Ferrell (12), and Erhart (10). BACK: Joe Cornell Richard Smith (11), Erik Surbrook Pat Shayler (10), Dave Foley (12), D Robertson (10), Rodney Hicks (12), A Brashear (12), Ishaq Shamsud-Din Brendan Boyd (11), Dan Stott (11 Theard (12), Josef Lowenthal (12), Jon Fulk (12).



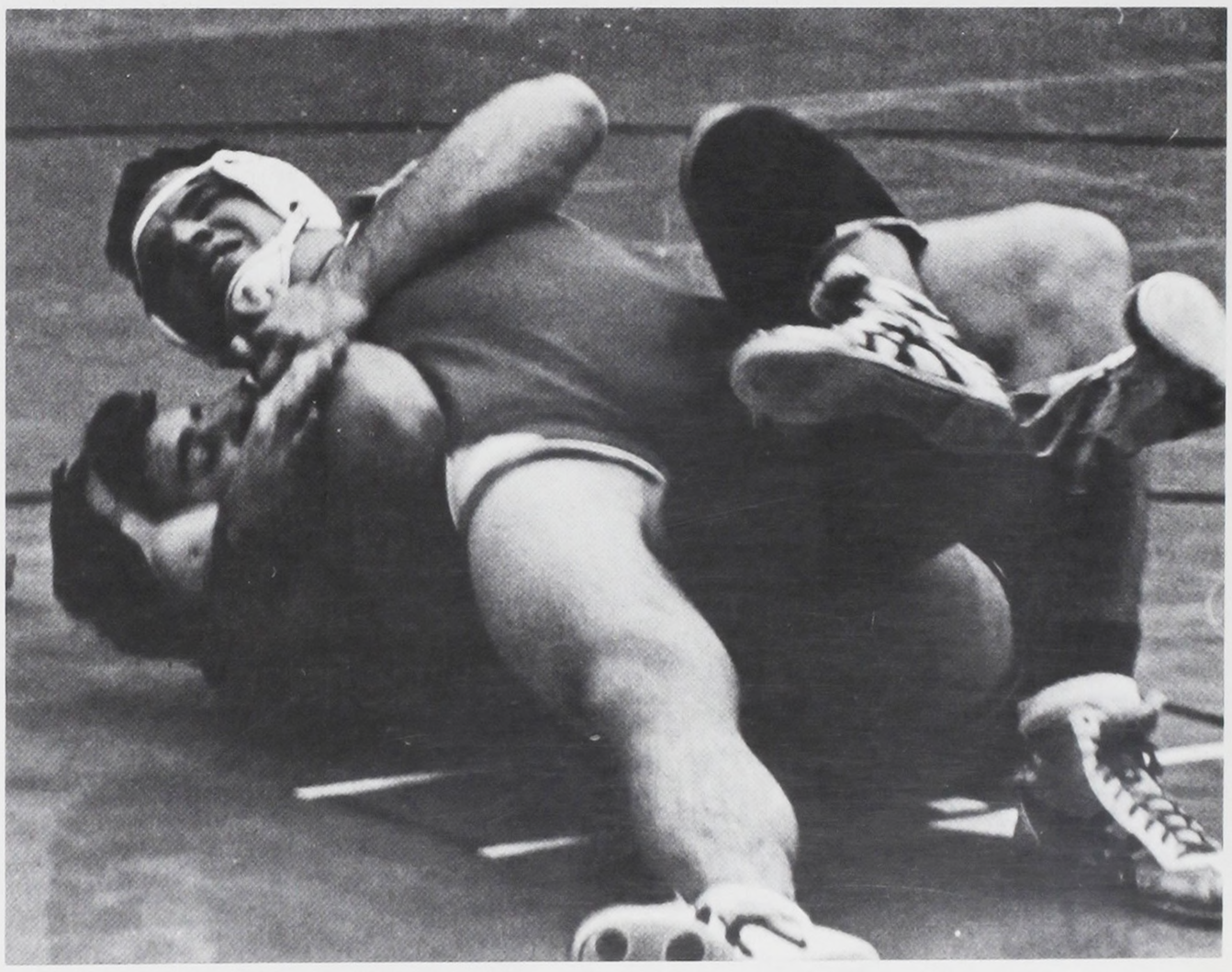
Neil poses while his opponent calls time out for possible neck injury.

Although Carey Lish (10) wrestled only one fourth of the season, he learned many moves like this arm-drag and chin-lock combination.





Rodney Hicks (12) counters a shot and sets his opponent up for a pancake move, putting his opponent on his back to be pinned.



Dave Foley (12), a four-year veteran of wrestling, has his opponent in a head and arm.

BENSON TEAM DOWNS WILSON

Day after day at three, Benson's swim team traveled to Columbia Pool to practice. "Our practice really paid off when we beat Wilson," said Tracy Miller (10).

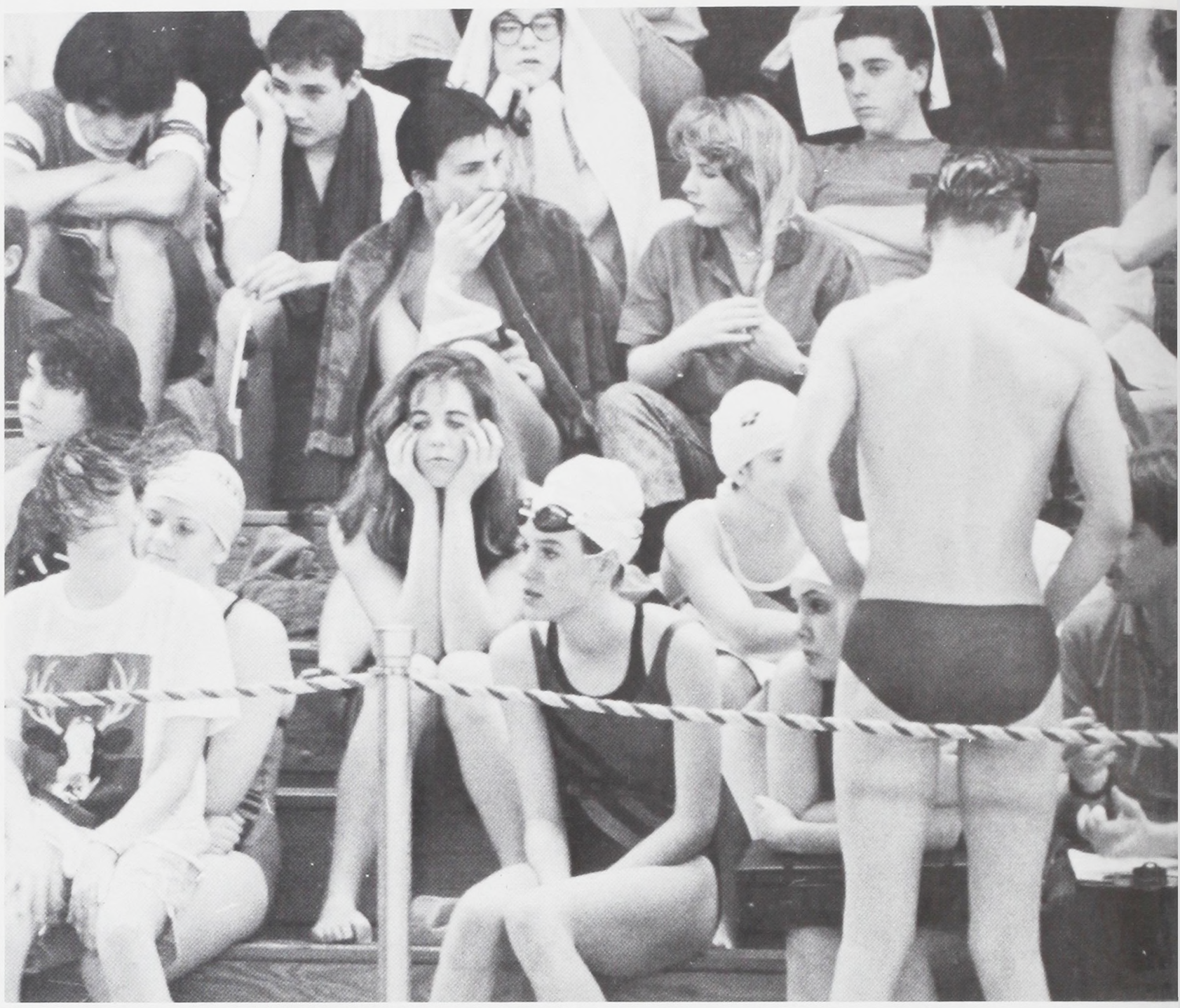
Ending the season in fifth place, the girls developed a strong team. The guys also had a positive season finishing with a 6-2 victory.

"Defeating Wilson — one of the best teams in the PIL — shows that Benson is making a comeback," commented Captain Chau Phan (11).

Tracy Miller (10), Carolee Myrick (12), and Karen Fornwald (12) took first place in their individual events against Wilson.

"The team will be a power next year and will definitely challenge for the district title," said Coach Weber. "However without a diving team, we stand little chance of bringing home the trophy."

At district finals, swimmers wait for their events.

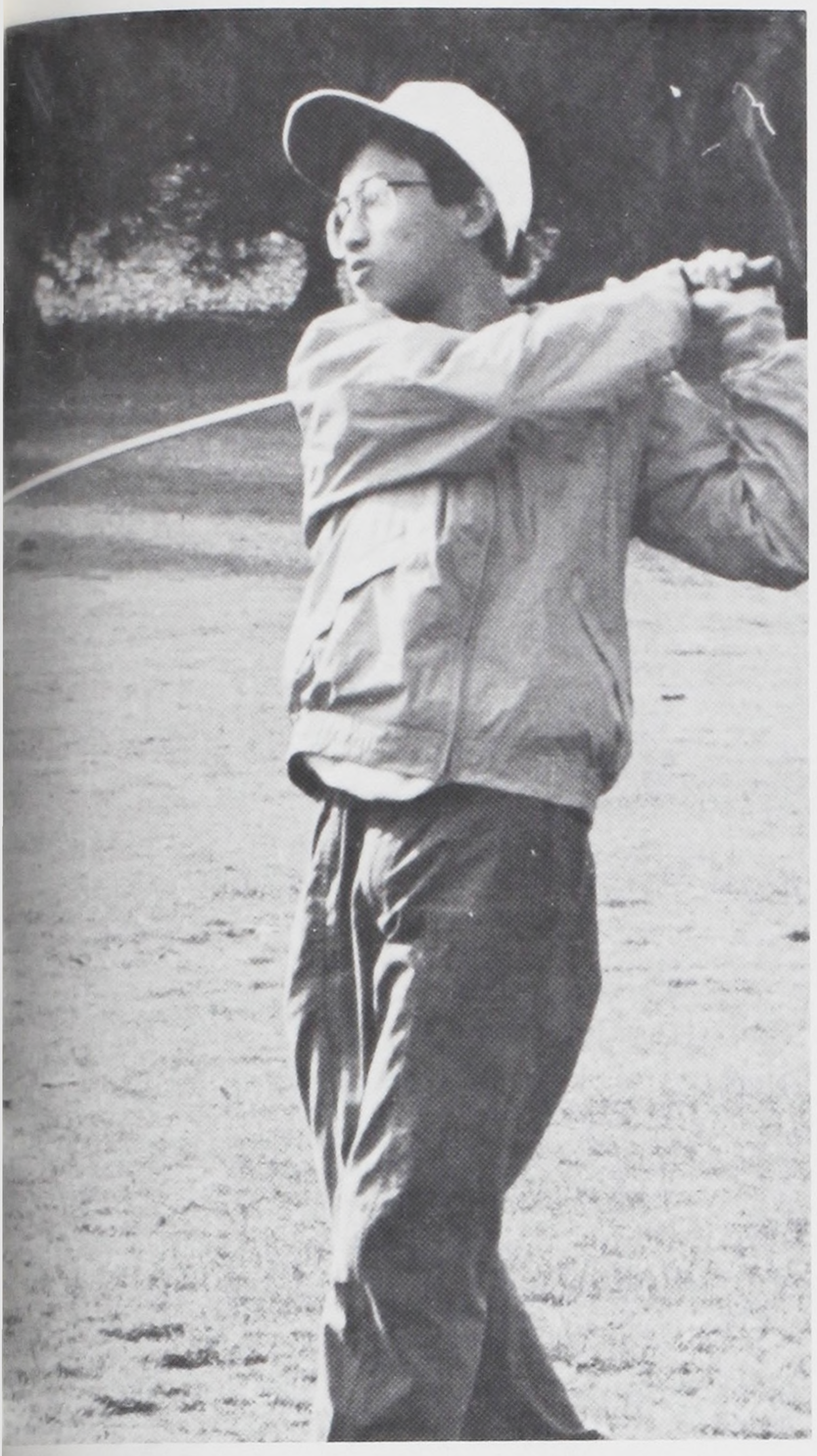


Captain Chau Phan (11) does the breaststroke in competition.

FRONT: Coach Ed Weber, Jason Seibert (9), Tu Phan (9), Chau Phan (11), Brad Conger (9), Edwin Parks (10), Eli Jones (9). SECOND: Dian Gamble (10), Shawn Heikkila (9), Peter Primiano (12), Carolee Myrick (12), Aaron Miller (9), Chrissy Barnes (10), Lee Ann Roach (10). THIRD: Trev Pierson (10), Brian Embree (10), Tye Trepanier (12), Amy Asay (10), Tracy Miller (10), Jennifer Hathaway (10), Karen Fornwald (12). BACK: Jason Lemmon (11), Kit Durnil (11), Hugh Creighton (11), Derek Bentley (10), Jay Foster (10), Andrew Steeves (10), and Nick Stevenson (12).

Swimmers remember Coach Ed Weber's stories of surf jetting with his dog Brutus.

TWO STROKES MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE



Nhac Phan (10) drives from the tee.

Katie Hawes (12) chips out of the rough.

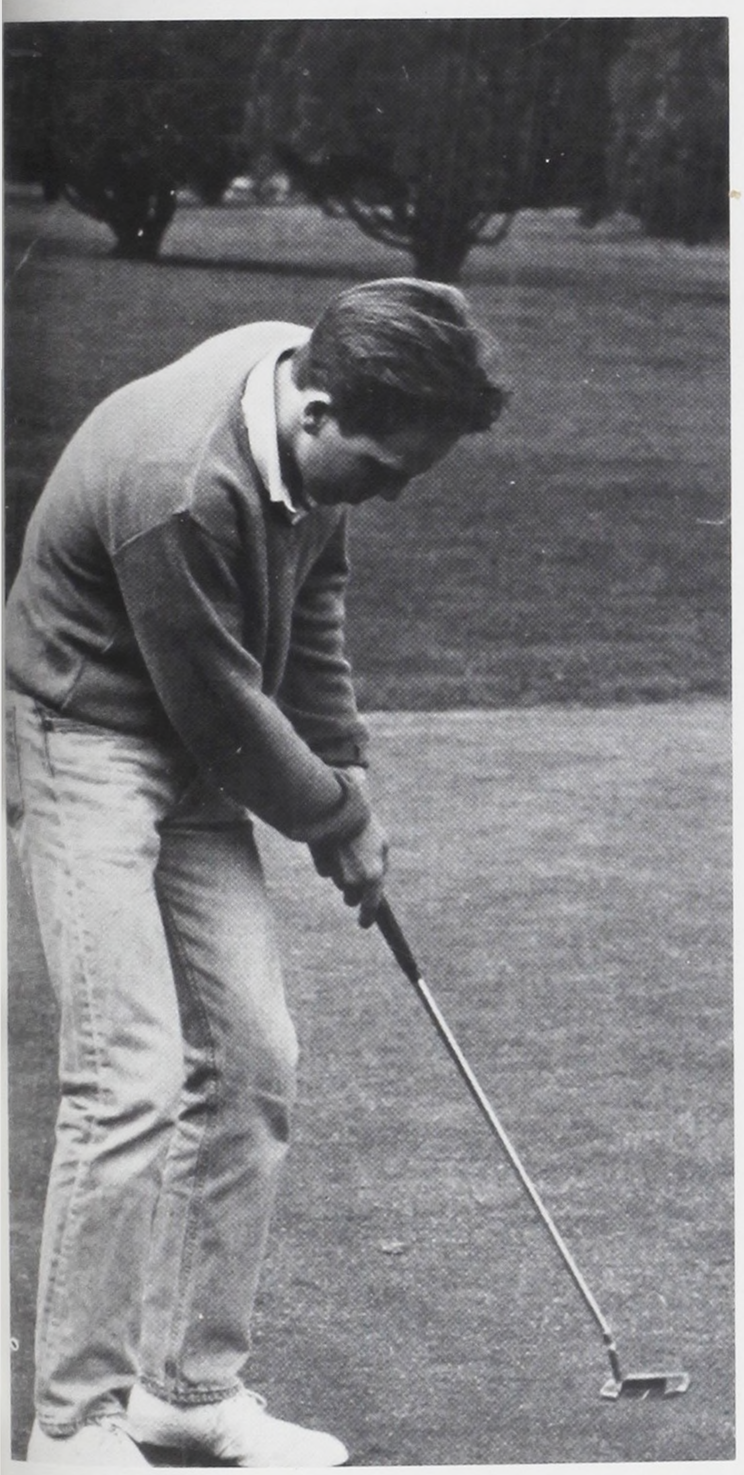
With a 6-3 record, the boys' team tied for third in the league and placed fourth in the finals. In the finals they finished only two strokes behind the first place team, Wilson.

Top players Jay Poletiek (11) and Le Phan (12) averaged in the high thirties. Le Phan missed going to state by only one stroke.

The team's toughest loss was to Madison, 153-156. although Benson played its season's best game, Madison played its best game in ten years.

"Benson girls' golf improved greatly compared to previous years," said Coach Ben Markin. The girls' long practice showed in their win over Lincoln and their fourth place finish.

The girls' strongest player was Katherine Hawes (12) and the most improved was Sheri Chandler (12).



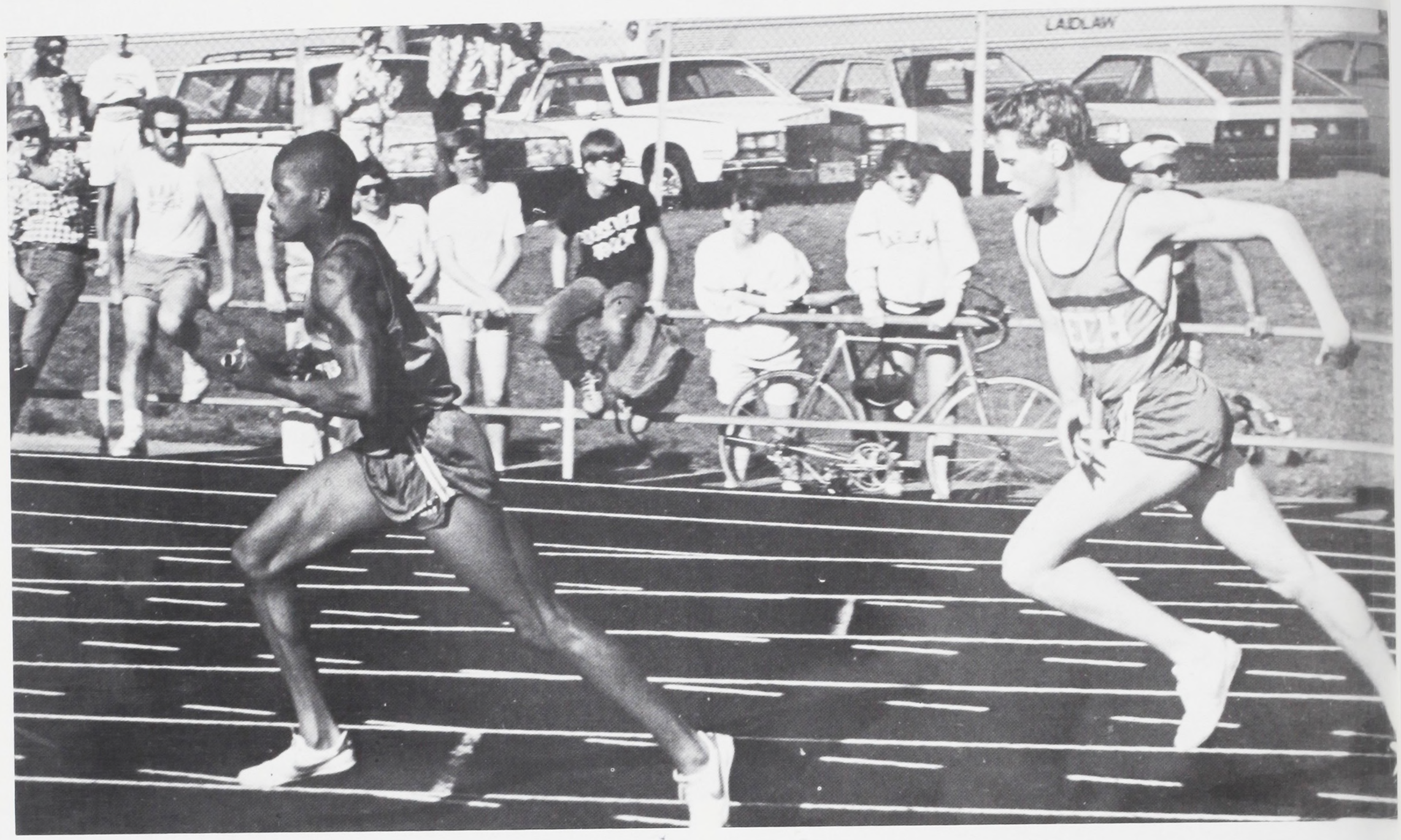
G. W. Hartley (12) putts for a birdie.

BOYS' GOLF TEAM: Jay Poletiek (11), Curt Huston (11), Glyn Stubbs (12), G. W. Hartley (12), Nhac Pham (10), Brian Aguirre (10), Brent Hawke (10), Matt Kannow (11), and Le Phan (12).

GIRLS' GOLF, BACK: Michelle Hausauer (12), Charlene Childs (11), Shelli Williams (9), and Coach Ben Markin. FRONT: Katie Hawes (12), Nancy Ryan (11), and Sheri Chandler (12).

G. W. Hartley (12) putts for a birdie.

Mark Duplessie (12) hands off to Derek Baldwin (11).



VARSITY BOYS SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent	
112	33	Roosevelt
64	81	Jefferson
80	57	Wilson
90	50	Madison
96	41	Lincoln
92	48	Franklin

City Relays — Second (88)
Aloha Invitational — First (100)
Centennial — Fourth (38)
City Championships — Third (84)

BOYS' VARSITY, FRONT: Durelle Singleton (11), David Powell (11), Eric Teat (10), Keith Dempsey (12), Jesse Porter (11), Aaron Welch (11), Earl Pullem (11), and Andre Jamison (10). SECOND ROW: Yasuhiro Yamamot (10), Brendan Boyd (11), Carrie Barber (9), Rob Stevens (10), Hau Nguyen (12), Richard Norwood (10), Dion Steinborn (11), Brent Moseley (10), Lucious Hicks (12), Duran Beasley (11), and Dan Stott (11). THIRD ROW: Coach Leon McKenzie, Mike Klein (11), Stephan Dillon (11), Keith Duplessie (11), Brad Janes (10), Binesh Tharakan (11), Lavon Pierce (10), Derek Baldwin (11), David Sumner (12), Kyle Hawes (10), and Aaron Crews (12). BACK: Paul Green (12), Brian Kurkaski (11), Joe Cornell (11), Tony Ardueser (10), John Miles (11), Matt Kulu (12), David Monroe (12), Jerome Person (10), Mark Duplessie (12), Stephanus Laenen (10), and Nathan Davey (11).

Matt Kulu (12) throws all his energy into the shotput while his teammates watch.

Paul Green (12) strides over a high hurdle.

RELAY TEAM SETS RECORD

Boys' varsity ranked fifth at state scoring 26 points. Setting a state record, Walter Bailey (12), Mark Duplessie (12), Derek Baldwin (11), and Jay Miles (10), took the state championship in the 1600 meter relay. Benson finished fourth in the 400 meter relay. Paul Green (12) ranked second in the 330 intermediate hurdles and fourth in the 110 meter high hurdles.

During the regular season the boys' varsity track team regrouped to make up for a loss of outstanding athletes who graduated in 1987. The team lost only one dual meet to Jefferson.

David Monroe (12) completes a triple jump.

Mark Duplessie (12), Keith Duplessie (11), Walter Bailey (12), Paul Green (12), and Lavon Pierce (10) were top contenders in a variety of events.

Paul Green ranked number one in the city with a 6′4″ high jump. Matt Kulu (12) and Hau Nguyen (11) qualified for state in the javelin toss. Jay Miles (10) was Benson's top man in the triple jump at 42′4″.

In the Aloha meet the team took first place for the third year in a row.

GIRLS' TRACK AND FIELD INCREASES VERSATILITY

Because the members of the girls' track and field challenged themselves to become more versatile, this year's team was stronger. Most of the runners competed in more than one event. Monique Norwood (11), one of the most versatile, competed in long distance, sprint, and field events.

Katie Van Winkle (10) and Rachel Stephens (11), the only returning long distance runners, worked to build strength.

Crystal Hanson (12), Sheila Williams (12), Monique Norwood (11), and Shantel Ford (10), competed in a variety of sprint distances. Sherelle Williams (11) competed in shotput, discus, and javelin. Yolanda Blume (12) competed the third year in shotput and discus.

Benson's Girls' Varsity was picked to be second going into state, but with top runner Crystal Hanson (12) out with pneumonia and Shiela Williams (12) disqualified, their ambitions were not realized.

However, Shiela Williams (12), Monique Norwood (11), Shantel Ford (10) and Regina Warren (9) finished second in the 1600 meter relay setting a record of 3:57.5

VARSITY GIRLS

SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent	
67	62	Roosevelt
58	71	Jefferson
60	67	Wilson
81	50	Madison
54	82	Lincoln
71	57	Franklin

City Relays — Third (41)
City Championships — Fifth (41)

VARSITY GIRLS, FRONT: Vanessia Crawford (9), Crystal Hanson (12), Shurita Thomas-Tate (9), and Lajena Williams (10). MIDDLE: Sheila Williams (12), Keena Phillips (10), Monique Norwood (11), Roni Vawter (9), Michelle Keck (9), Shantel Ford (10), Sharese Williams (9), and Regina Warren (9). BACK: Coach Leon McKenzie, Katie Van Winkle (10), Michele Sparks (10), Sherelle Williams (11), Caren Beaton (10), Rachel Stephens (11), Shanell Burns (9), and Alisa Benjiman (10).

Michele Sparks (10), Shanell Burns (9) and Michelle Keck (9) begin the 100 meter hurdles against Lincoln.

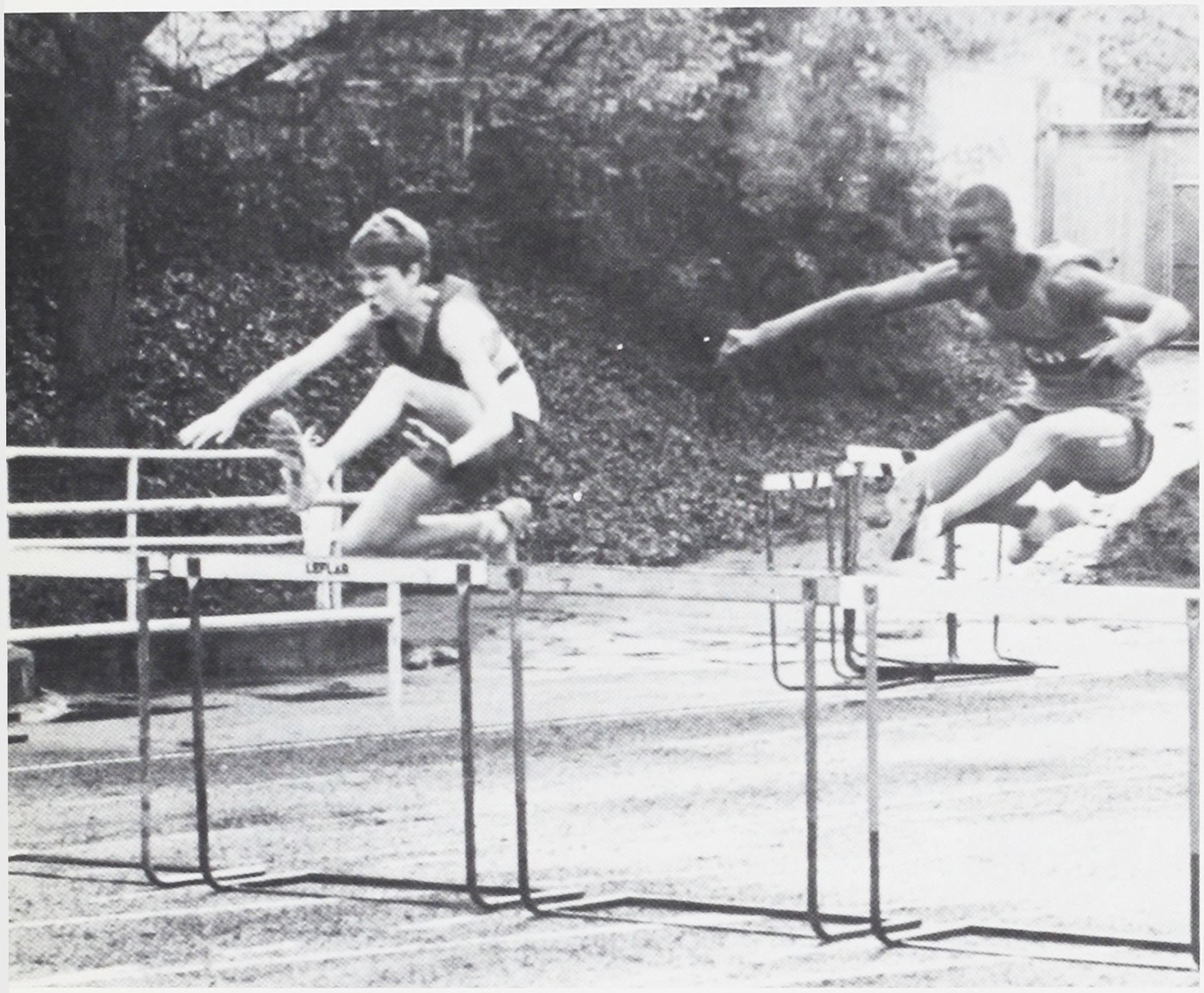
Monique Norwood (11) shows outstanding running form.

Shantel Ford (10) sprints to take the lead.

Rachel Stephens (11) runs the 3000 meter.

Nathan Davey (11), Binesh Tharakan (11), and Carlton Jones (11) challenge themselves in the 1500 meter.

Leon McKenzie III (9) leaps over the hurdle at the same moment as his competitor.



JV BOYS TAKE FIRST

The city championship went to the Benson J.V. Boys. Jerome Person (10) came in first in the 100 meter hurdles, second in the 200 meter dash, second in the triple jump, and ran a leg in the 400 meter relay.

J.V. girls finished high in individual events. Shurita Thomas-Tate (9) took second in the 100 meter and 200 meter sprints. Long distance runner Roni Vawter (9) took third in the 800 meters. Lajena Williams (10) placed third in the 100 and 200 meters.

In the freshman events, Eugene Atchison (9) took first in the 100 meter and second in the 200 meter, while Melborn Booze (9) took second in the 100 meter and first in the 200 meter. Taking first in 330 intermediate hurdles, second in triple jump, Leon McKenzie III (9) became a competitive leader in field events.

BOYS' J.V., FRONT: Seakou Ford (10). MIDDLE: Andre Jamison (10), Jerome Person (10), Binesh Tharakan (11), Brent Moseley (10), and Richard Norwood (10). BACK: Stephanus Laenen (10), Derrick Moon (11), Reynauld Tage (10), and Dave Gilbert (10).

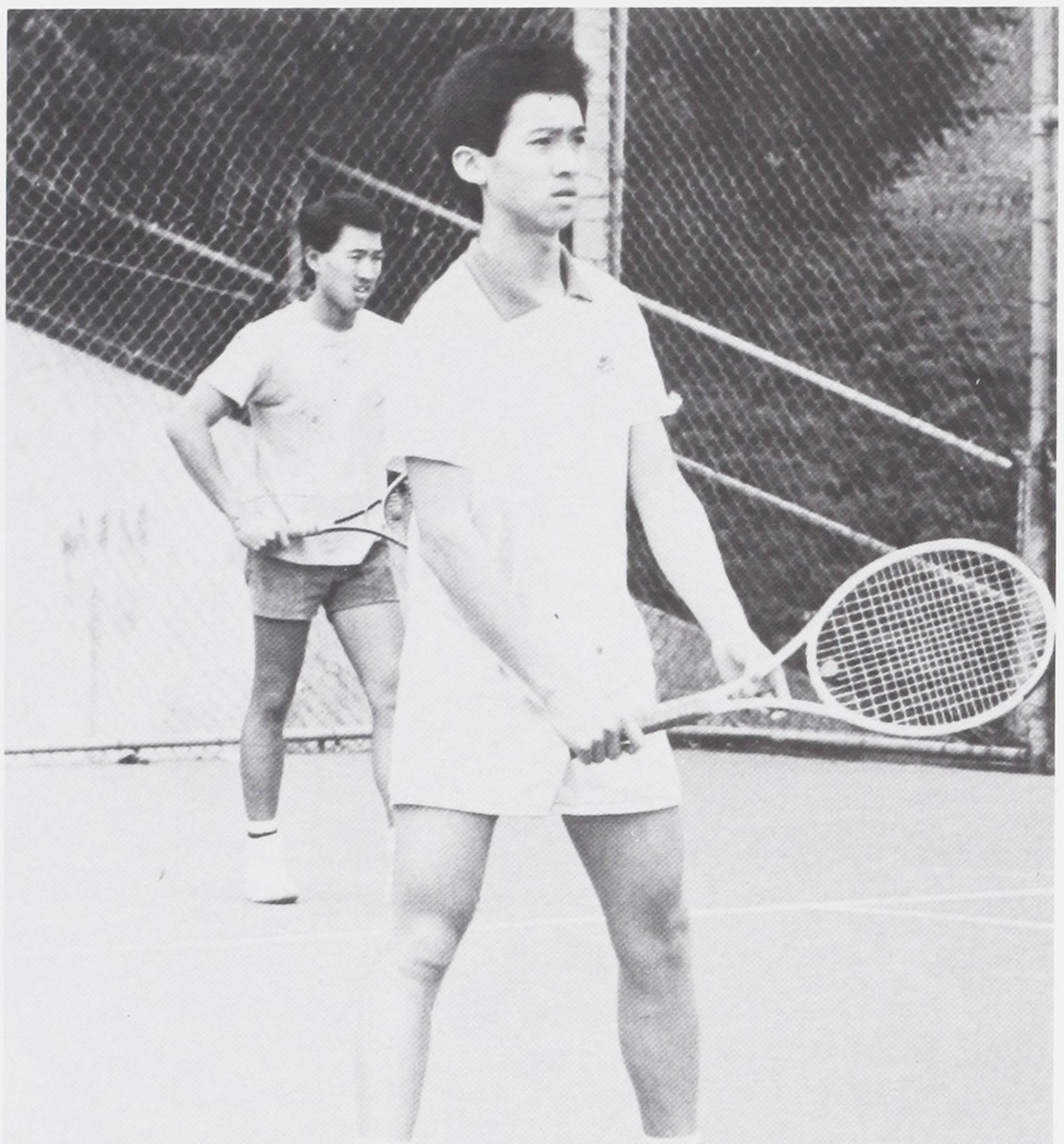
Duane Butler (10) hangs on to the pole until the last minute.

April Muir (10) makes a jump in the 100 meter hurdles.

GIRLS' J.V., FRONT: Tracye Adams (11), Shurita Thomas-Tate (9), and Sharese Williams (9). MIDDLE: Michelle Keck (9), Lajena Williams (10), Danielle McConaga (10), and Roni Vawter (9). BACK: Shanell Burns (9), Alisa Benjamin (10), and Caren Beaton (10).

FRESHMEN, FRONT: Thong Phomphakdy, Milborn Booze, Phu Tran, and Leon McKenzie III. MIDDLE: Grant Ewell, Uhuru Crews, Charles Wachsmuth, and Brad Conger. BACK: Eugene Atchison, Damien Bradley, Bruce Edwards, and Wilfrado Elenes.

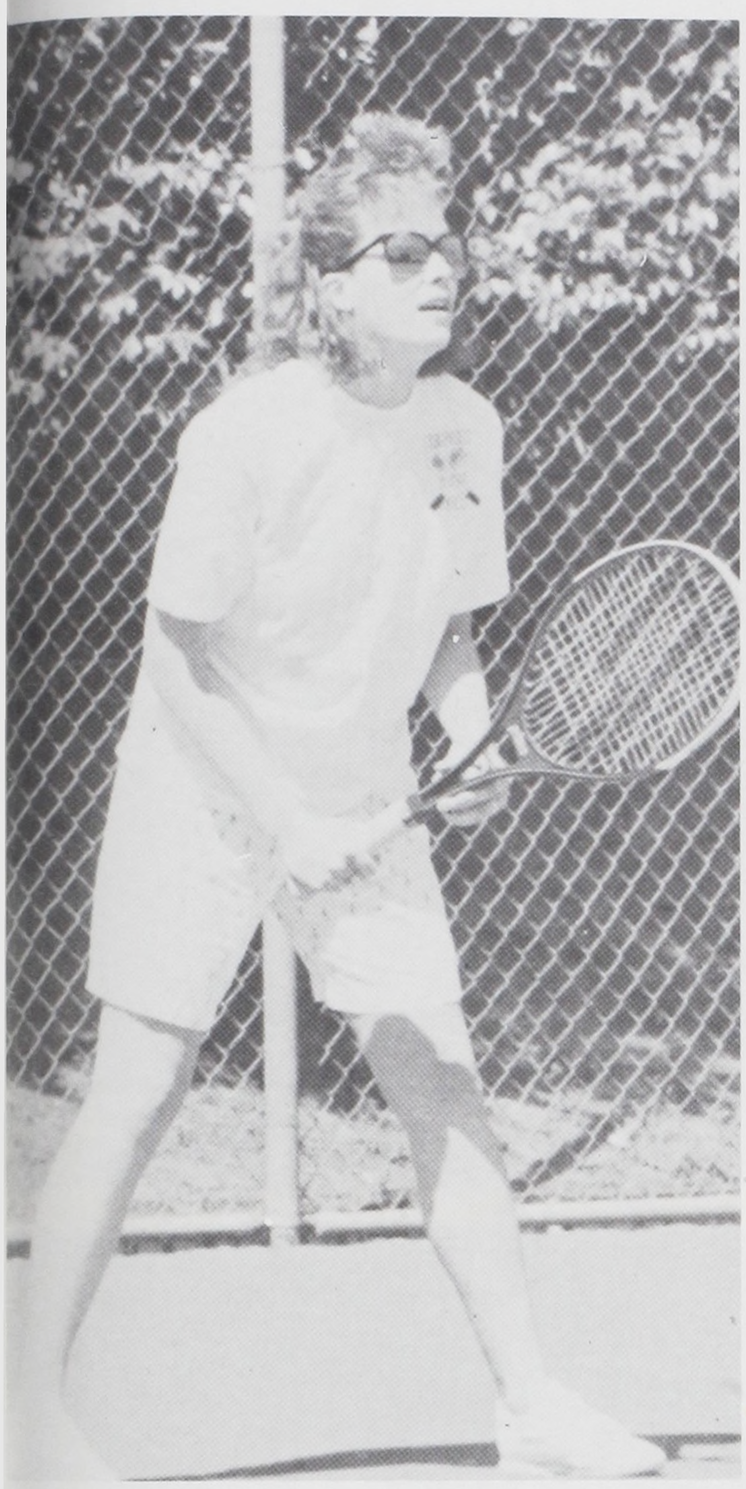
Kenny Bee (10) and Dale Kim (12) await the opponents' serve.



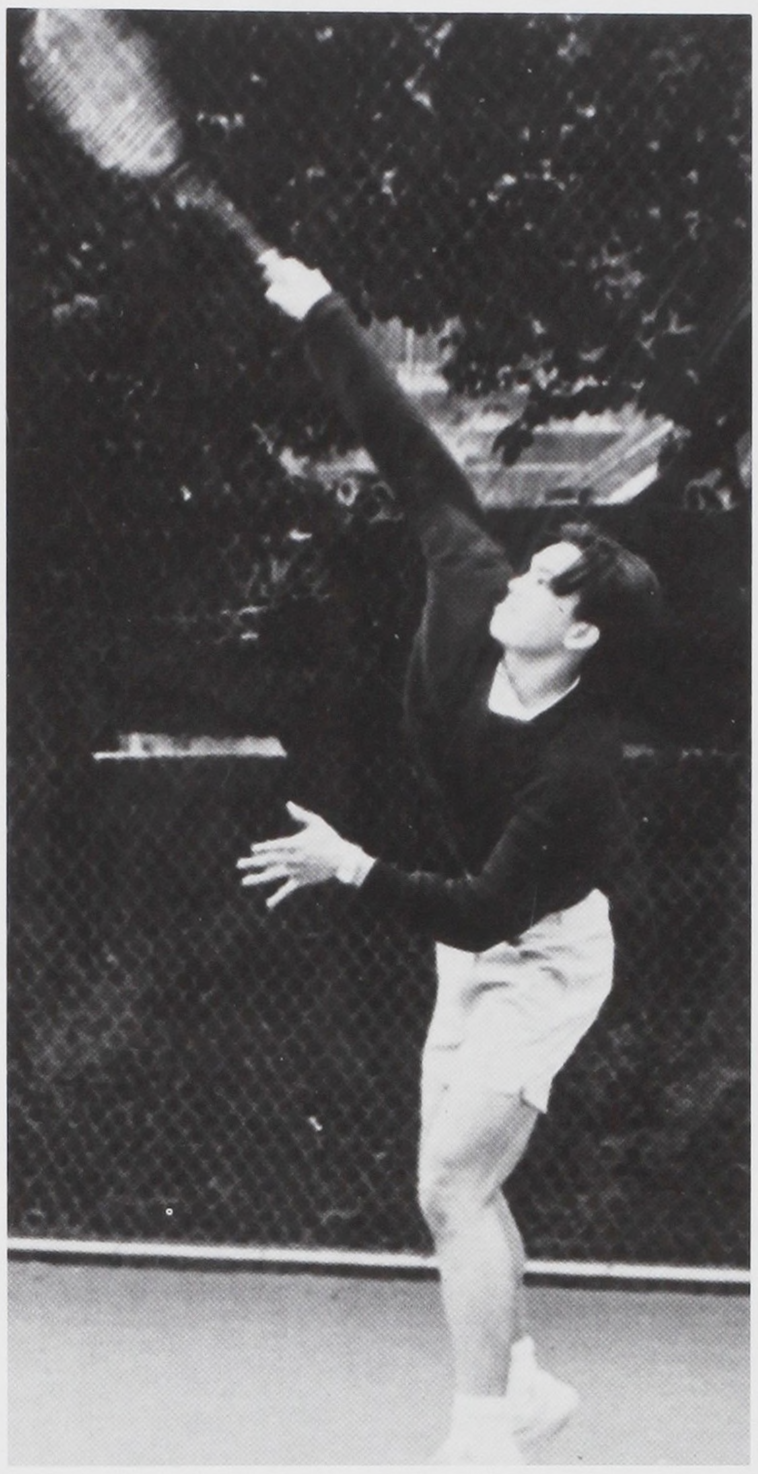
Dale Kim (12) smashes the first serve.

BOYS' TENNIS, FRONT: Bryan Kirkpatrick (12), Jack Bee (12), Aaron Cross (10), Dale Kim (12), Kenny Bee (10), and Matt Witham (10). BACK: Ben Keefer (10), Randy Hyun (9), John Pham (10), Tuan Le (11), Judah Peterson (11), and Coach Fred Wong.

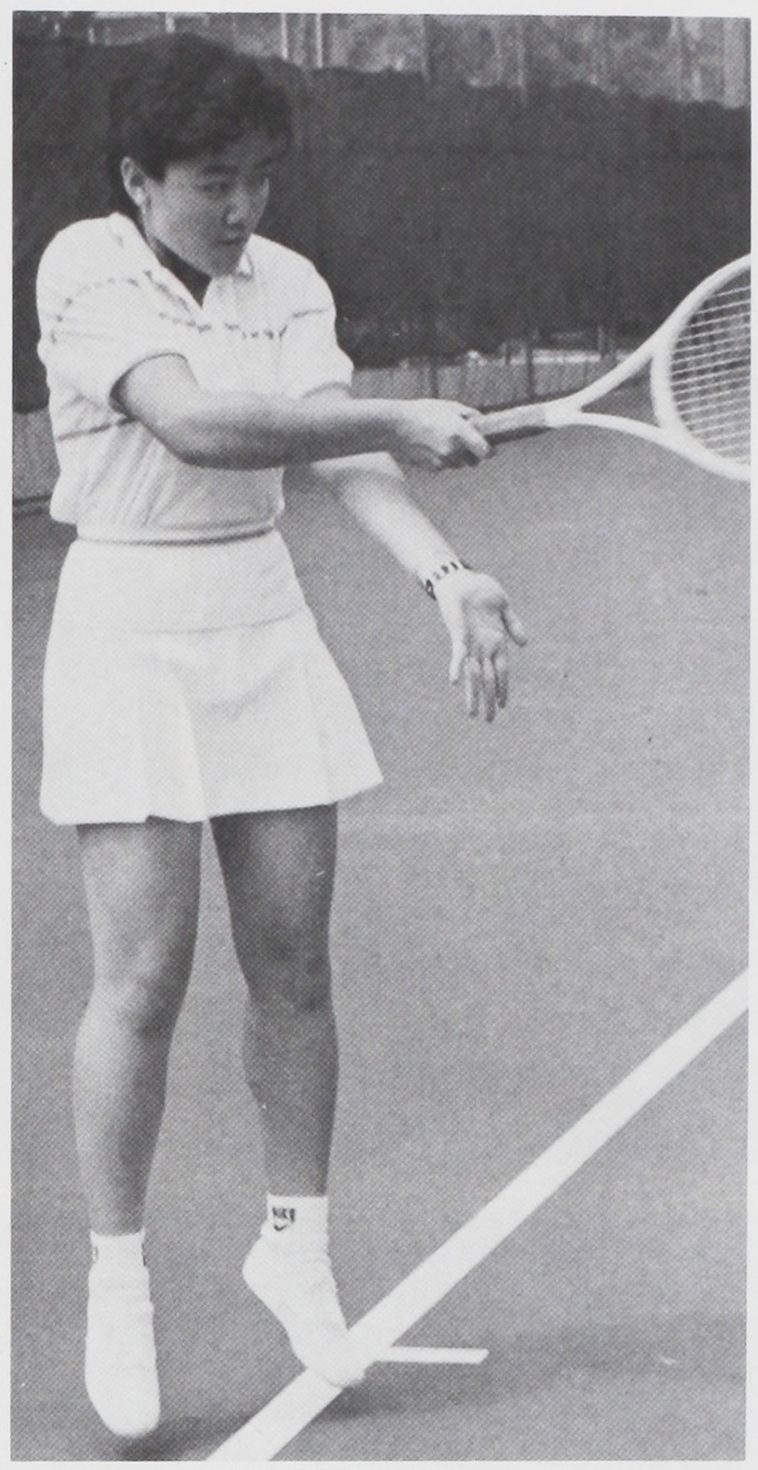
Shiela Moe (12) is ready to whip up on another opponent.



Tri Tran (12) practices his serving technique.



Uyen Sung (10) works on her backhand stroke.



GIRLS' TENNIS: Lynda Reese (12), D. D. Dalpiaz (11), Stefanie Lawson (12), Connie Tran (12), Jennifer Hathaway (10), Shannon Scarth (10), Stefanie Sandstrom (10), and Shiela Moe (12).

BOYS TAKE SECOND IN PIL

The boys' tennis team began with a blast, winning six matches in a row. The team set out to dethrone the Lincoln Cardinals but, unfortunately due to strategies for district seedings, the team lost. The Techmen finished the season in a respectable second place.

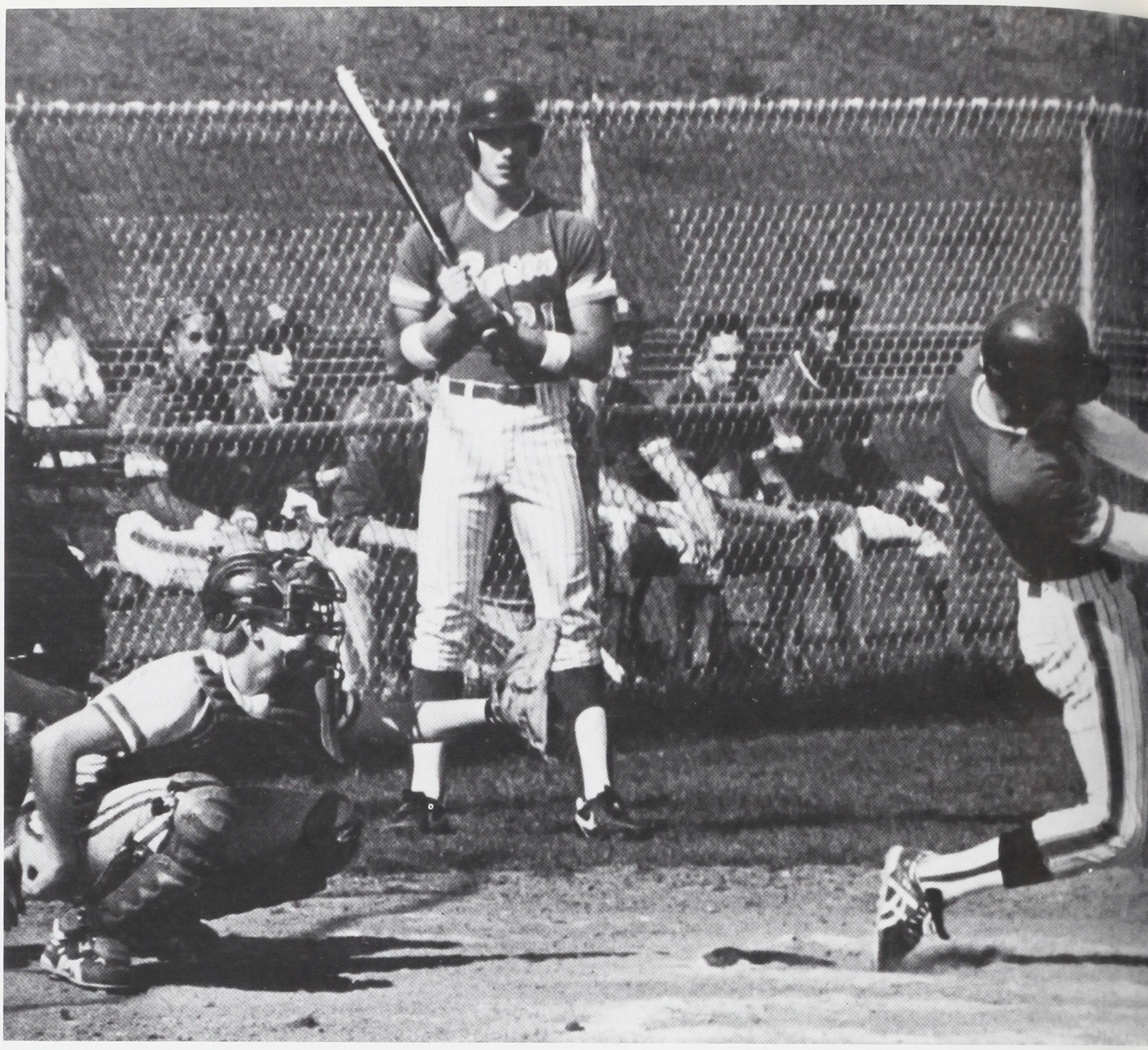
Playing first singles, Viet (John) Truong (10) seeded fourth in the district. Bryan Kirkpatrick (12) and first ranked Bob Penny (12) placed second. First doubles, Dale Kim (12) and Kenny Bee (10) placed fourth.

The most valuable player award this season went to John Truong, Benson's sole survivor in the PIL district tournament.

"Mr. Wong's enthusiasm has played a significant role in producing one of the best seasons for Benson," Bryan Kirkpatrick (12) said.

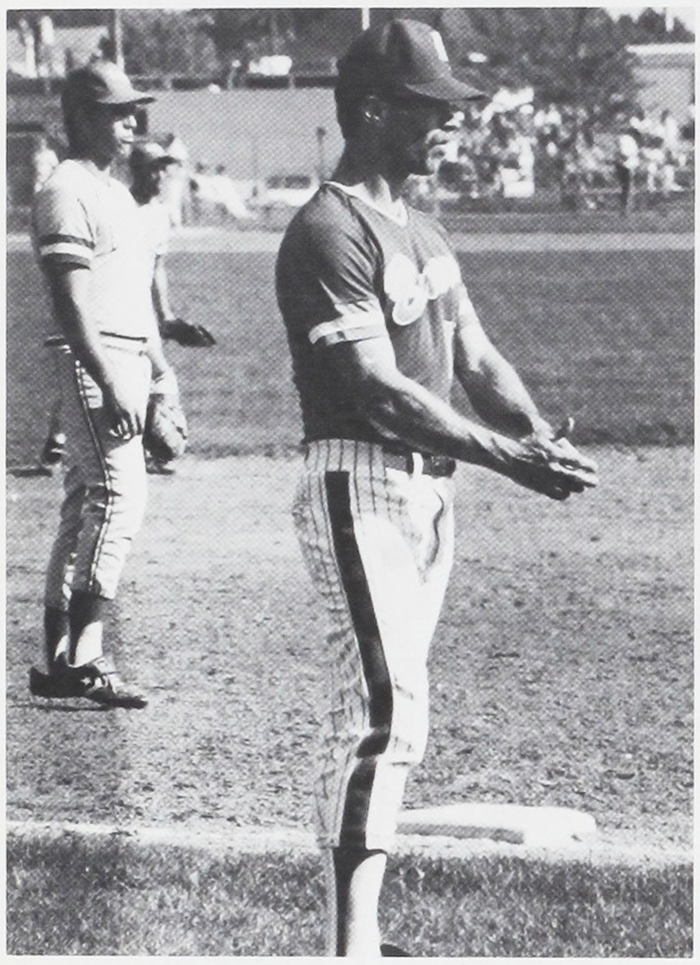
The girls' tennis team finished the PIL season with a 4-4 league record. Lynda Reese (12) was name MVP for her performance at first and second singles. Other outstanding players were Stefanie Lawson (12), D. D. Dalpiaz (12), Connie Tran (12) and Chris Pham (12).

Uyen Sung (10) the most outstanding underclassman, had a winning season at third singles.



D. J. Thielan (11) steps into a graceful swing as Matt Asay (12) gets ready.

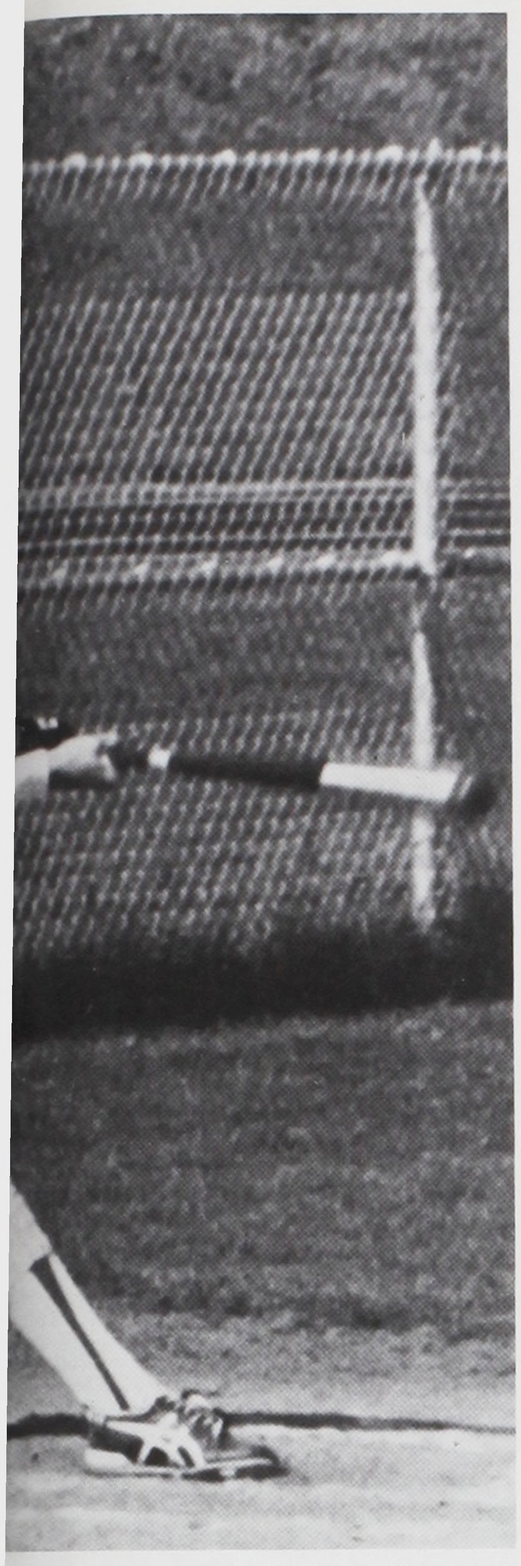
Coach Bill Ranta gives tips to the batter.



On third base, D. J. Thielan (11) is ready for the kill.

VARSITY BASEBALL, FRONT: Mike Schultz (10), Tony Robertson (11), Tige McSwain (12), Gerald Bolden (11), Joe Bushman (11), and Jason Wack (10). MIDDLE ROW: Guy Nelson (12), George Runyon (12), Chris Tujo (11), Kyle Roberts (11), Matt Asay (12), and D. J. Thielan (11). BACK ROW: Lee Pickron (11), John Coryell (11), John Hardy (11), and Jeff Friend (10).

VARSITY HITS PLAY-OFFS



Benson's 1988 Varsity baseball team was the first to go to the play-offs in several years. "We started off slow, but got tough when it counted," said Matt Asay (12).

During the pre-season, the team went to Southern California. A little rusty for the first game against San Diego, the Techmen lost 8-9 but they came back tough with a 3-2 victory over Sweetwater. Next they played a 3-2 loss to Coronado, a 16-9 win over Marion, and a 11-4 win at Oceanside.

Regular season started with a victory over Marshall. The Techmen then won nine straight. Their first loss was to Wilson 3-4. The only other loss the Techmen suffered was a shocking 7-11 to Franklin.

Benson made history by beating Madison twice. In the first game against Madison, Jason Wack (10) pitched a two hitter. Guy Nelson (12) hit a two run homer to steal the victory. The second Madison game was a 5-2 win. George Runyon (12), the team's MVP, pitched a two hitter against the Senators.

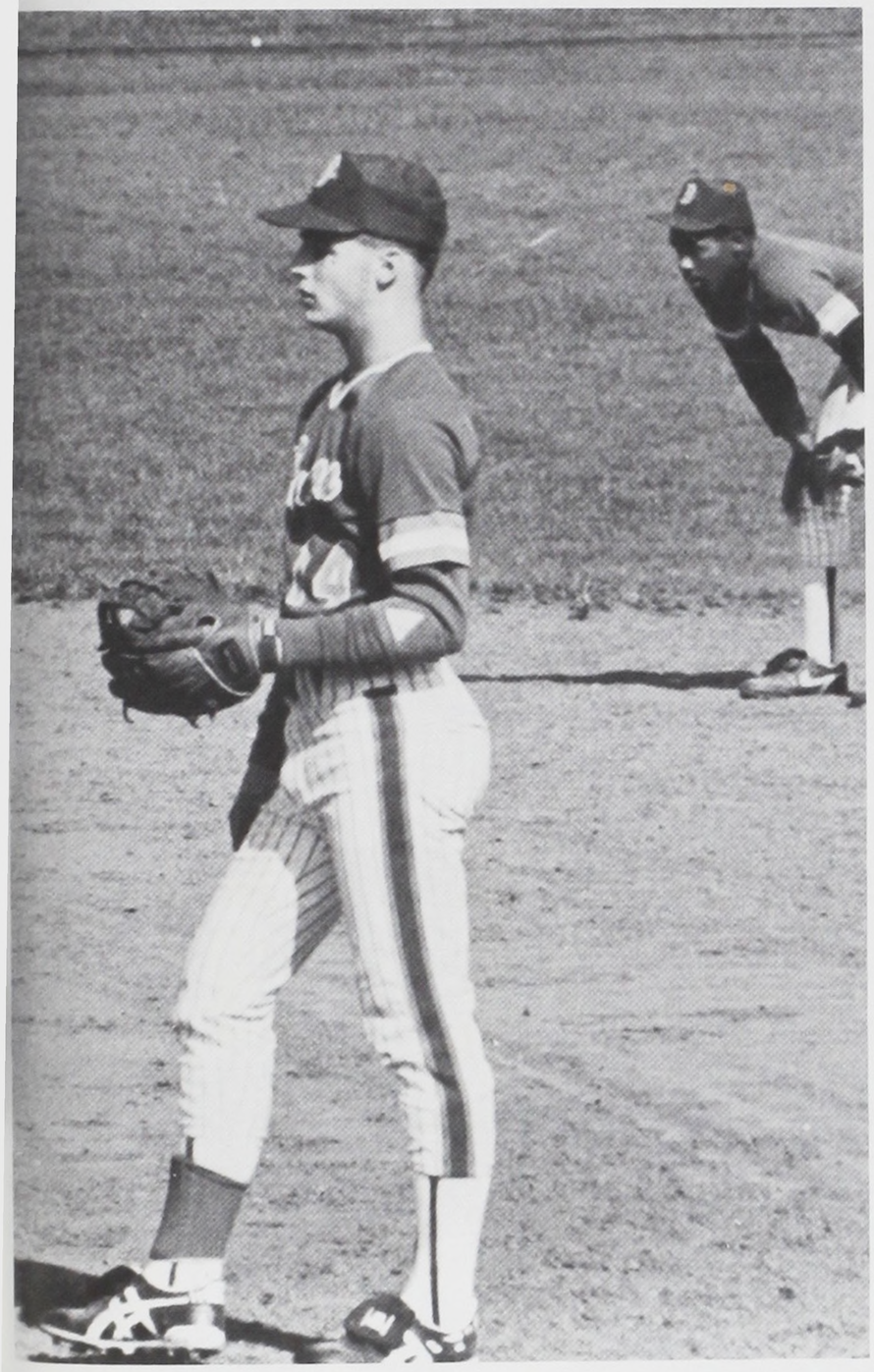
The Techmen finished their regular season 15-2 as co-champions with Wilson. However, because Wilson beat Benson in their only contest, the Techmen went to the play-offs in the number two position.

In their only play-off game, the Techmen went up against Tigard, the team polled to win. Benson lost 1-3.

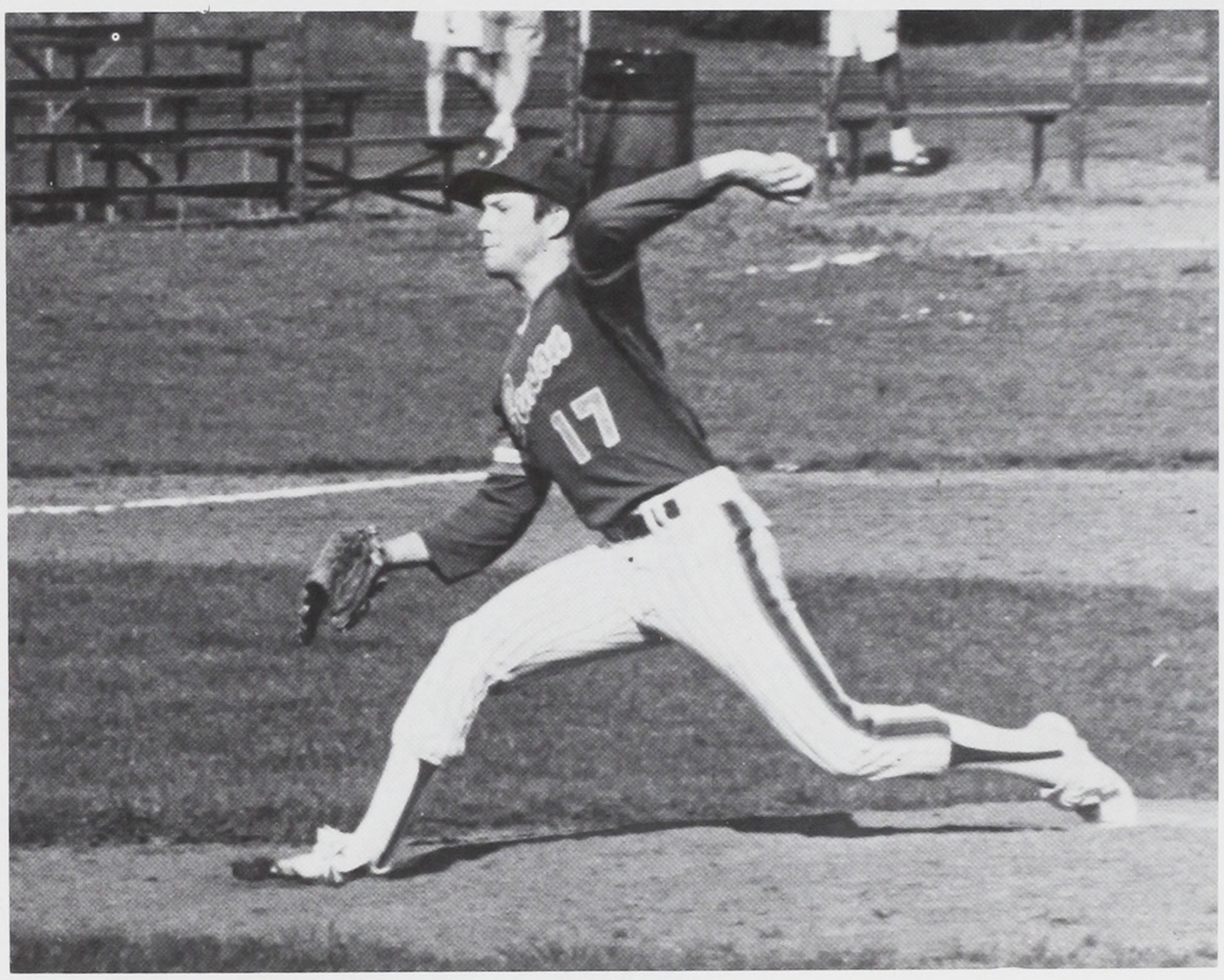
"Varsity played consistent ball," said Coach Bill Ranta. "They showed they could play in tough games."

VARSITY
SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent
8-9	Marshall
9-5	Jefferson
8-3	Grant
9-3	Cleveland
3-0	Madison
7-2	Lincoln
6-3	Roosevelt
3-4	Wilson
2-1	Marshall
7-11	Franklin
	State Play-offs
1-3	Tigard



Jason Wack (10) prepares himself for the pitch. Tige McSwain covers second.



Lee Pickron (11) shows off his delivery.

TECHSTERS VIE FOR THIRD IN PLAY-OFFS

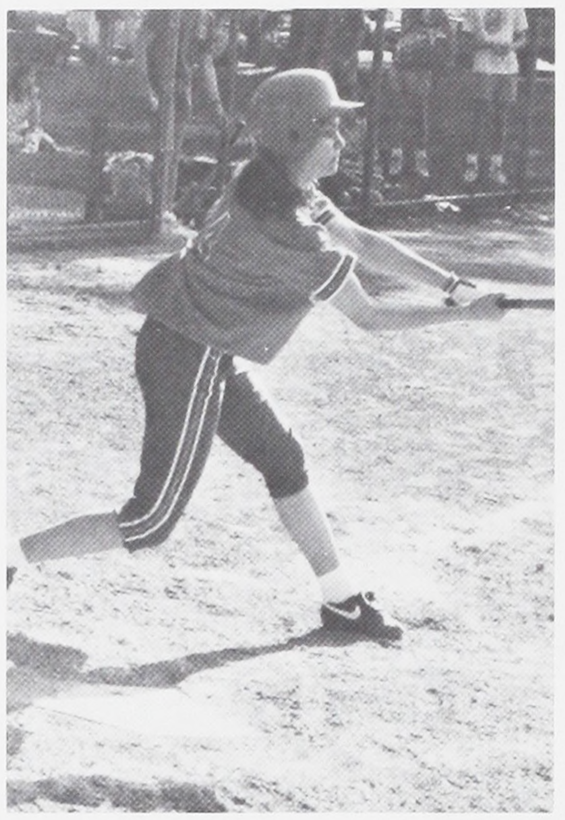
The Techsters began the 1987-88 softball season with high hopes of placing within the top three teams in the PIL. They didn't reach their goal, but placed fourth overall.

They had troubles with injuries this season. Star pitcher Rustina Owenby (12) played with a hurt shoulder all season. Shortstop Michele Klein (12) was troubled with a pulled muscle in the middle of the season. Outfielder Beth Franklin (11) also had trouble with her back. Donna Olson (10), second baseman, was out with strained ligaments in the knee. Suzanne Walls (11), just returning from having a serious operation, was out in the end of the season with pulled ligaments of the knee also. "We are all fighting to overcome our difficulties of this season so that the next season will be better," said Suzanne Walls (11).

The varsity team had a chance to play a Southern Oregon team in play-offs but failed to beat Madison. However they did win against Grant to advance one game and face Madison.

The play-off double header took place at Ervinlinn Stadium on a hot Saturday. The Techsters played strong against Grant but the heat proved to be a major factor in the loss against the Senators. "You can't win a ball game with players who have had enough of the heat," said Michele Klein (12). "The only good thing that happened was that the bench never gave up hope. They were the ones who carried our team and I know having them cheer on like they did made such a difference to me."

Mary Norris (11) shows her batting style.



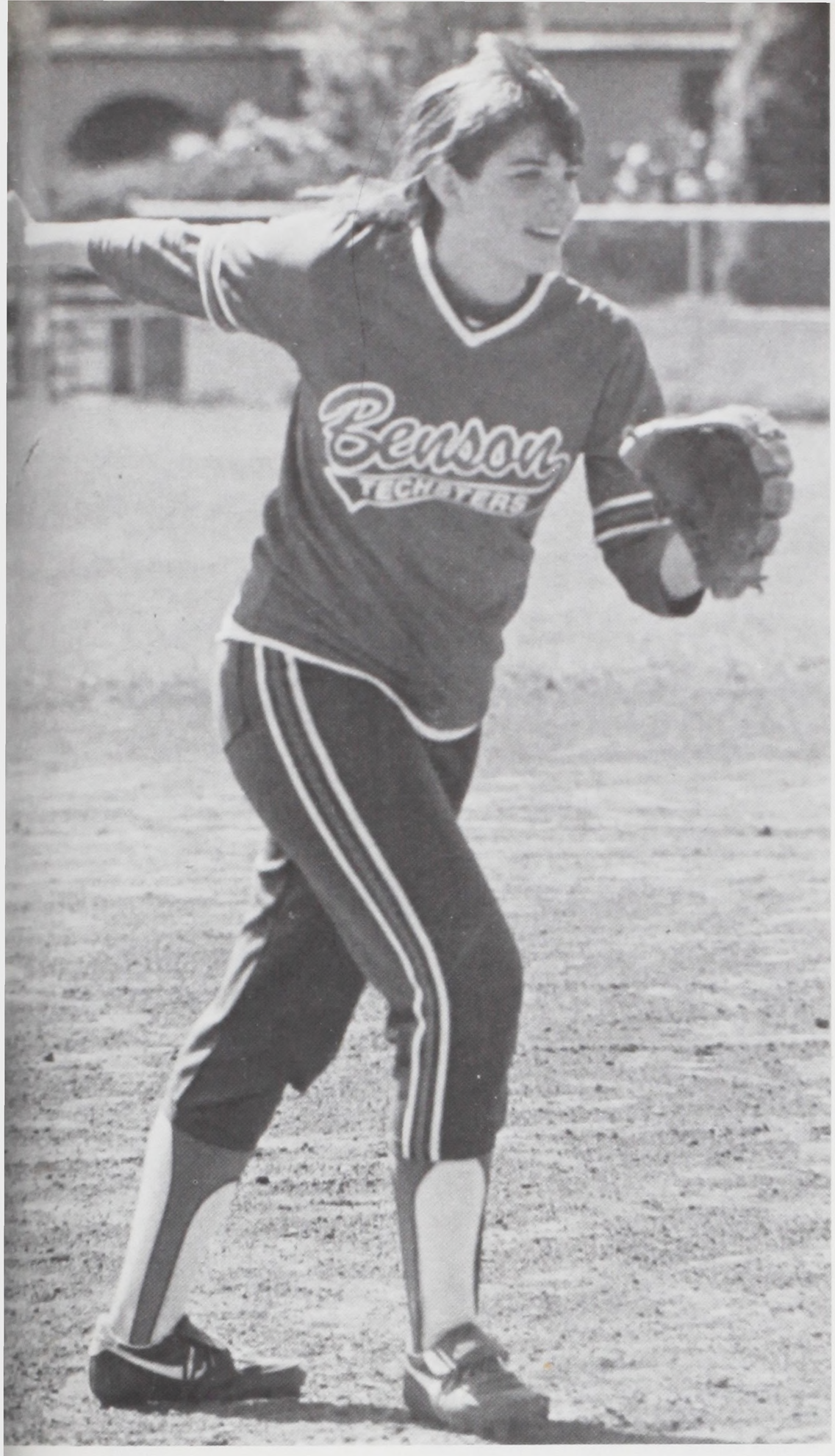
Rustina Owenby (12) winds up hoping t
fire the ball past the batter.

On the side lines, Ms. Kathy Peterso
gives Amy Wolf (11) advice.

After the Techsters lose to Lincoln, Ms. Kathy Peterson calls a meeting.

Michele Klein (12) throws the ball to Suzanne Walls (11) who is ready to make a play at first base.

The Softball team celebrates by going out for pizza. FRONT: Shawn Strickland (11), Beth Franklin (11), Coach Kathy Peterson. SECOND: Alison Borke (11), Suzanne Walls (11), Donna Olson (10), Camille Mayfield (10). BACK: Robyn Lecher (10), Mary Norris (11), Amy Wolf (11), Michele Klein (12).



J.V., FRONT: Leanne Roach (10), and Carrie Ward (10). MIDDLE: Heather Alldritt (10), Shelby Clow (9), Sondra Ripley (10), and Shannon Lee (10). BACK: Coach Jacky Brown, Renee Gibson (10), Amy Asay (10), Michelle Grimm (11), and Assistant Coach Natasha Mayfield.

VARSITY SCOREBOARD

Benson	Opponent
0-6	Marshall
5-2	Madison
12-0	Jefferson
4-5	Grant
1-6	Cleveland
7-5	Lincoln
9-2	Roosevelt
4-1	Franklin
2-0	Wilson
11-1	Marshall
0-3	Madison
21-2	Jefferson
2-4	Lincoln
Win —	Roosevelt (forfeit)

JV PLAYERS FIGHT HARD

The J.V. team, a group of ambitious players, gave it their all. Renee Gibson (10) and Shannon Lee (10) were MVP's. Another player who led the team in many aspects of the game was Jennifer Halvorson (10). The most defensive player was Sondra Ripley (10) and the most improved was Heather Alldritt (10).

These girls fought hard and were one of the top three J.V. teams in the PIL with a win-loss record of 8-4.

Ready to steal second base, Jennifer Halvorson (10) waits for the pitch.

RAIN DAMPENS THREE TEAMS

Rain plagued the 1988 baseball season. The J.V. team played only nine of the seventeen scheduled games, finishing with a 6-3 overall record and a 6-1 PIL record.

"The players were solid and consistent," said Coach Stuart McNeil. Outstanding players — pitcher Travis Ridgway (11), first baseman Andy Sorenson (10), and outfielder Carlos LaGuardia (10) — played a strong season.

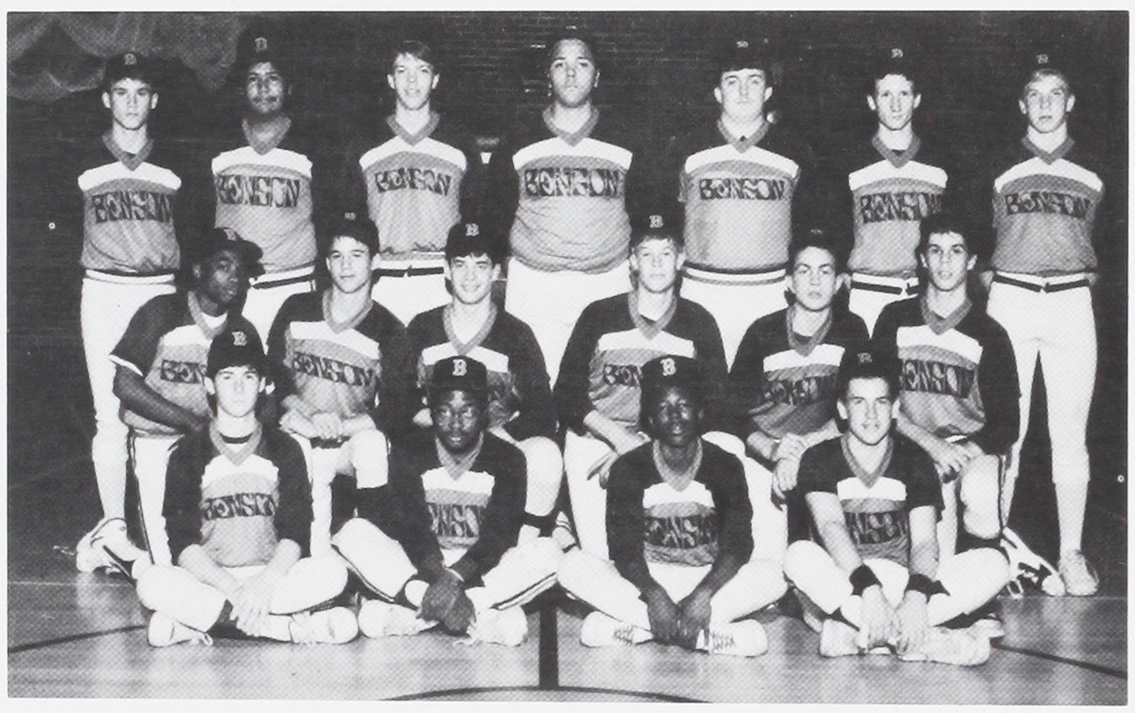
The game against Wilson highlighted the team's strength. Carlos LaGuardia hit a bases-loaded triple in the fifth inning and Andy Sorenson pitched five innings of four-hit ball to notch the 6-3 win.

Rain shortened the Sophomore's season even more drastically. They played only four of their thirteen scheduled games. Kelly Howard (10) and Craig Kelly (9) were two of the many who gave their energy to the team.

Freshmen won key games over Grant and Wilson. They finished with a 5-5 record. Ray Watterson (9) was MVP. Solid pitchers John Bergeron (9) and Ray Cornwell (9) contributed to the team.

"The team showed skill," Coach Vern Melvin said. "We played well when we had strong pitching."

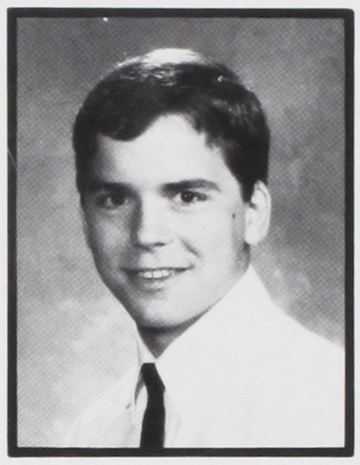
Travis Ridgway (11) practices with the varsity after J.V. season is over.



FRESHMEN, FRONT: John Bergeron, Clarence Woods, Ivory Mays, and Dan Wilcoxen. MIDDLE: Ray Watterson, Nathan Kabza, Britt Tooz, Leo White, Ben Watson, and Shane Sears. BACK: Aaron Dayton, Raymond Cornwell, Jeff Hockert, Paul Wiggins, Hans Saucier, Joe Rudie, and Mike Rouse.

J.V., FRONT: Jason Fouts (10), James Mayes (11), Tyler Postlewait (10), and Brian Ripley. MIDDLE: Scott Johnson (10), Morgan West (11), Joe Conroy (11), Aaron Dauchy (10), Brian Gall (11), and Mike Molony (10). BACK: Chad Phillips (10), Andy Sorenson (10), Kevin Fengler (11), Travis Ridgway (11), Dean Jolley (10), Jeff Friend (11) and Carlos LaGuradia (10).

SOPHOMORE, FRONT: Tu Phan (9), Jason Packham (9), and Ryan Hoyt (9). MIDDLE: Steve Molony (9), Chris Reedy (9), and Kelly Howard (10). BACK: Jason Seibert (9), Conrad Hurdle (9), Jason Kluth (9 Jeff Stephenson (10), Mike Guerricagoiti (10), William Mundy (10) and Chris Pik (9).



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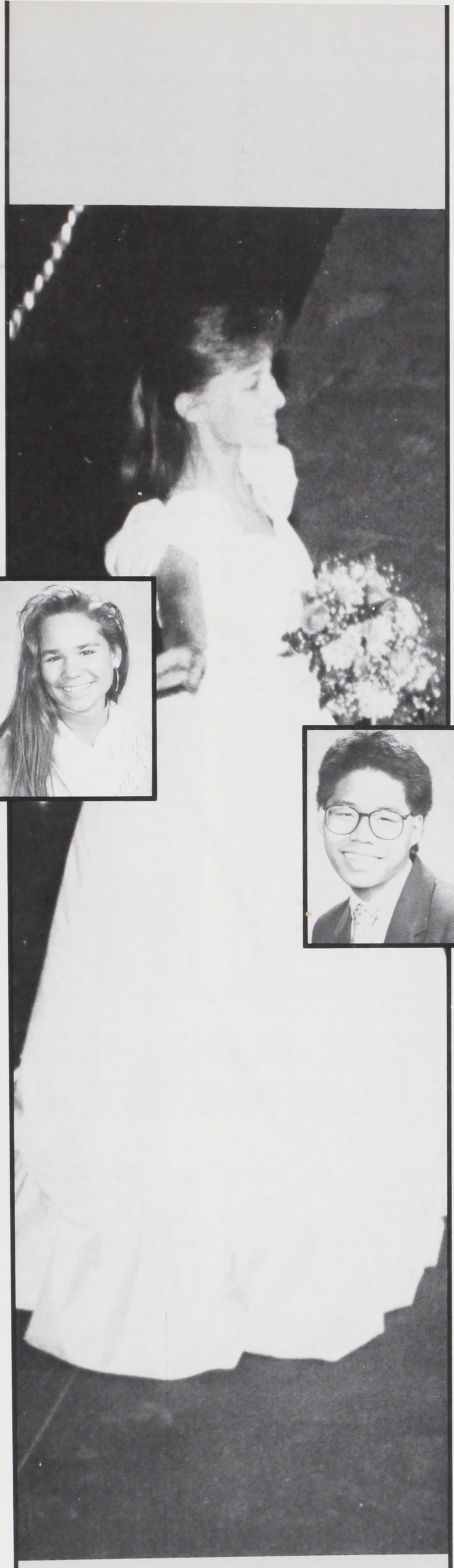
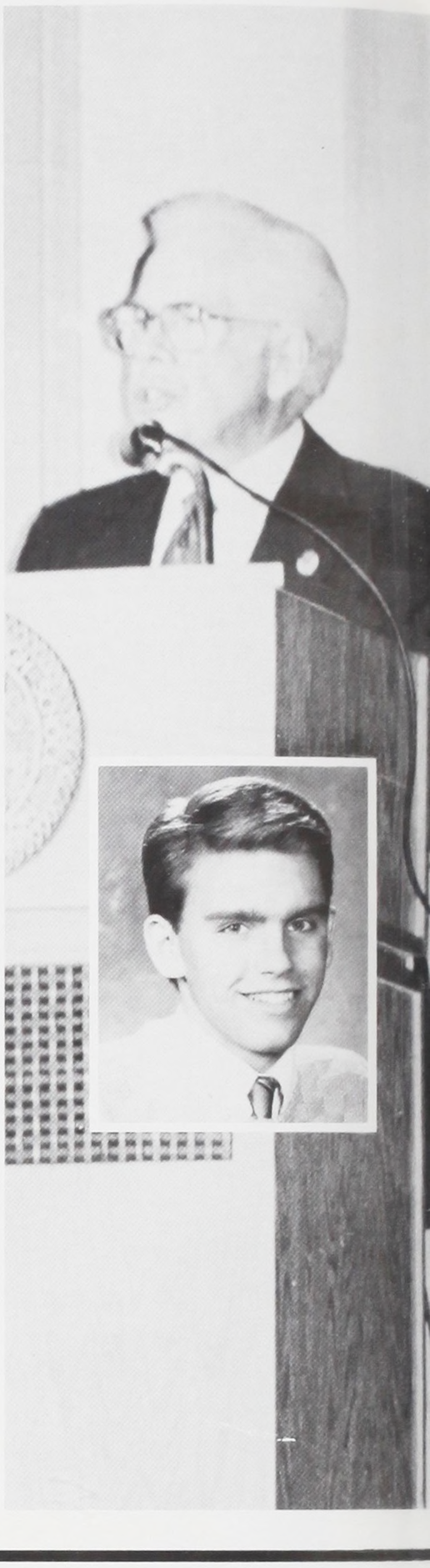


Before the princess was selected, the five candidates posed for a portrait: D. D. Dalpiaz, Ericka Warren, Angela Henderson, Andrea Lindberg, and Emelie Ortiz.



Princess Andrea expresses her surprise at being elected.

(above right) Former television personality, Richard Ross, acts as M.C. for Benson's presentation of the Rose Festival Princess.

PRINCESS AND DRIVERS ENJOY ROSE FESTIVAL

Princess Andrea, a medical major, plans to become a registered nurse and to work in a neo-natal intensive care unit. As one of the activities for all Portland-area princesses, Andrea visited the Emmanuel Hospital neo-natal center. "Because of my interest in this aspect of nursing, I received an extended, individualized tour," said Andrea.

Andrea, a person with a range of interest, studied ballet for nine years. This April she had the lead in a ballet at the Performing Arts Center.

David Chu had the honor of being named captain of the Rose Festival drivers. The other eight senior drivers were Tim Martain, Stefanie Lawson, Bryan Kirkpatrick, Dan Zuckerman, Chris Passanante, Mark Duplessie, and Kevin Urbanski. "Benson will miss the tradition of having all the drivers," said David Chu.

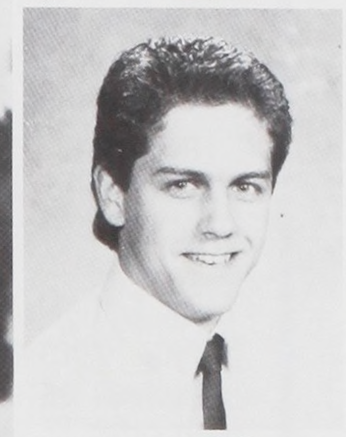
"We've been treated particularly well this year because it's our last," added Chris Passanante.

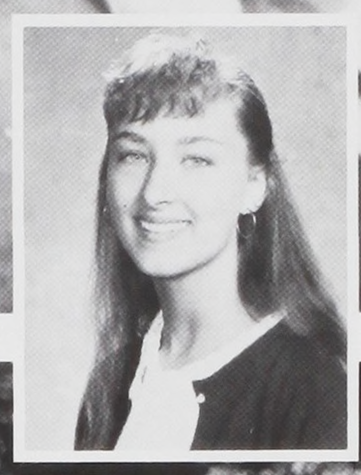
HAVING IT BOTH WAYS

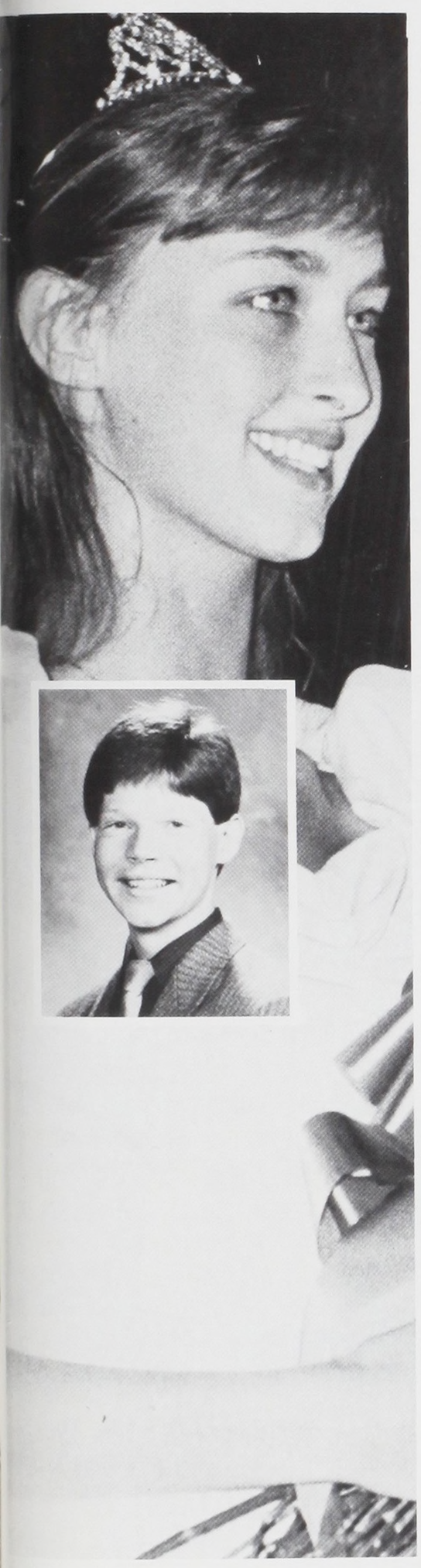
Tradition began and tradition ended. This was the first year our student body elected a Rose Festival Princess and most likely will be the last that all Rose Festival drivers will be from Benson. Much controversy surrounded this change in tradition, but in 1988 we had it both ways.

Andrea Lindberg reigned as Benson's first Rose Festival Princess. Seniors Ericka Warren, D. D. Dalpiaz, Emelie Ortiz, and Angela Henderson were the four other finalists.

Originally ten Benson girls competed for five finalist positions. A panel of seven judged these preliminary candidates on the basis of speaking ability, poise, and appearance and on the basis of a personal interview. Mrs. Judy Roeske, the coordinator of Benson's Festival, spent hours arranging the competition and assisting the girls with their preparation.







Students cheer for their candidate during the Rose Festival selection assembly.

Princess Andrea looks out at the students with great appreciation.

After their selection, the Rose Festival drivers pose together. FRONT: Stefanie Lawson, David Chu, Chris Passanante, Kevin Urbanski. BACK: Tim Martin, Bryan Kirkpatrick, Dan Zuckerman and Mark Duplessie.

TIME AND MONEY WILLINGLY SPENT

Seniors spent an enormous amount of time and money preparing for one night — the prom. But, according to seniors, the expenditure was worth it. "The prom's a special dance for seniors and I loved it," Susan Ober said.

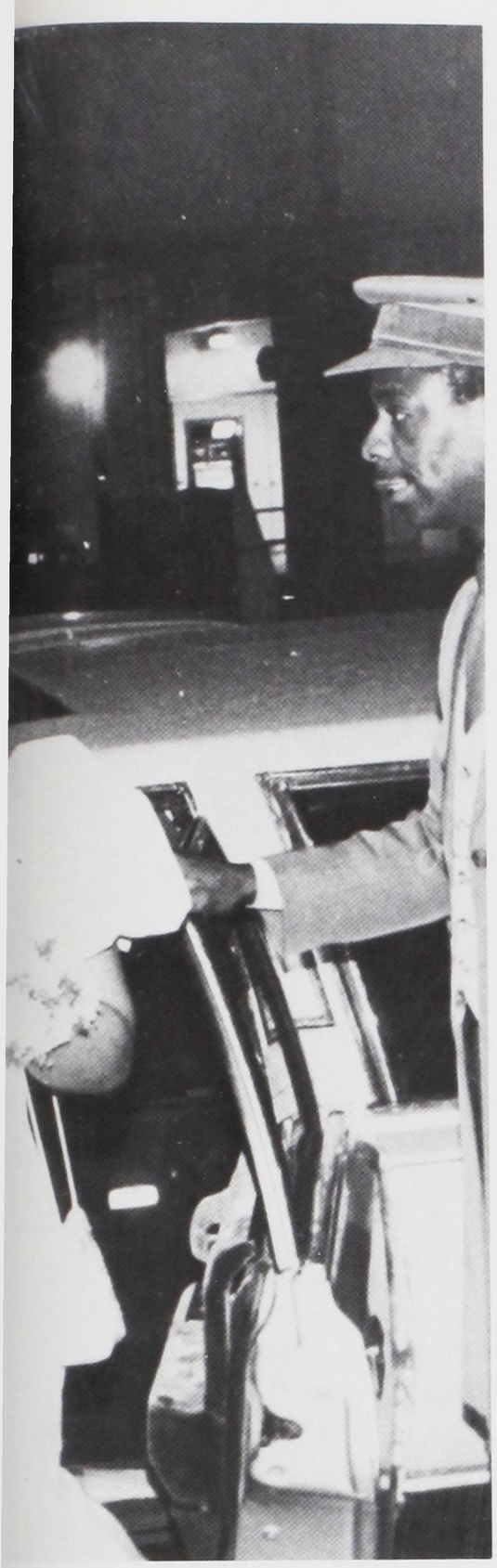
Tami Danel (12) thought of the Senior Prom as "a time to enjoy ourselves as a class — to make memories."

Prom evening, May 6, began for most with a pre-dance dinner. At 8 P.M. the festivities started at the Westin-Benson Hotel. In addition to dancing, there was a dessert table and a non-alcoholic bar. Prom King and Queen, Matt Asay and Renee Lofgren, reigned over a "Forever Young" evening.

The theme "Just Like Heaven" keynoted the Junior Prom, held at Shenanigans on May 27. From eight to midnight, juniors danced and enjoyed a buffet. Queen Holly Milne (11) and King Kyle Roberts (11) were crowned early in the evening.

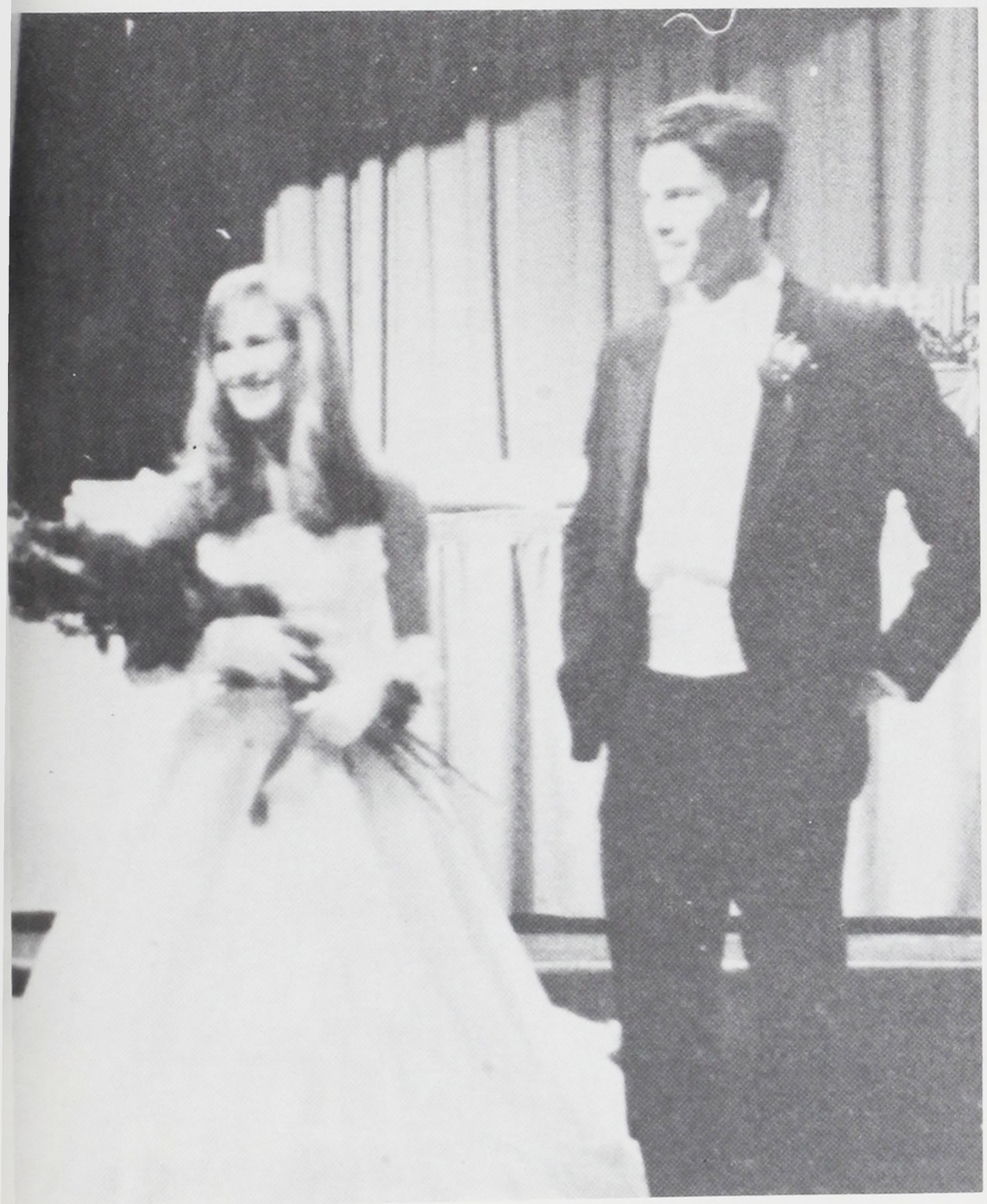
Seniors socialize at the "Forever Young" Prom.

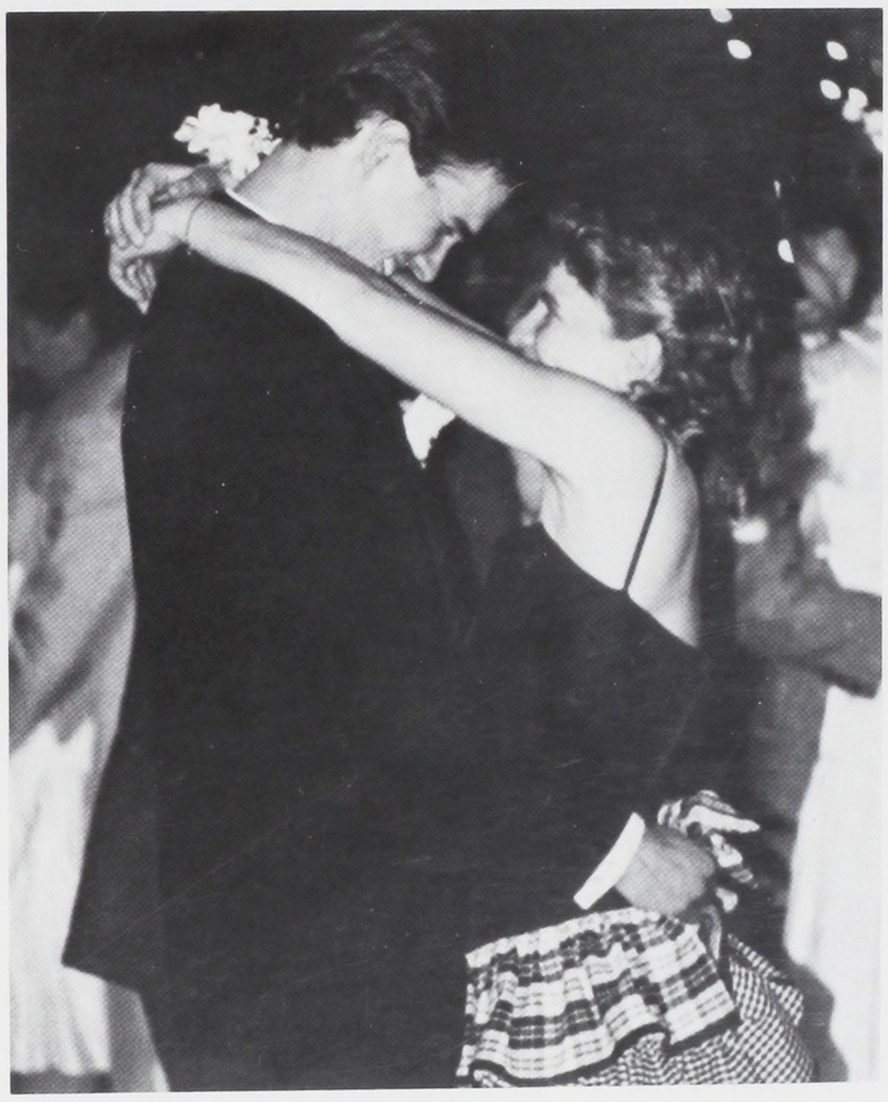
Tiffany Schneider (12), Tim Meissne (12), Gary Gibson (12) and Gary's gues Jenny Stephens begin their celebration a the Senior Prom.



Paula Brewer (12) and her date from Grant step out of their limo in front of the Westin-Benson Hotel.

Juniors, in their formal attire, dance to a slow tune in the ballroom.





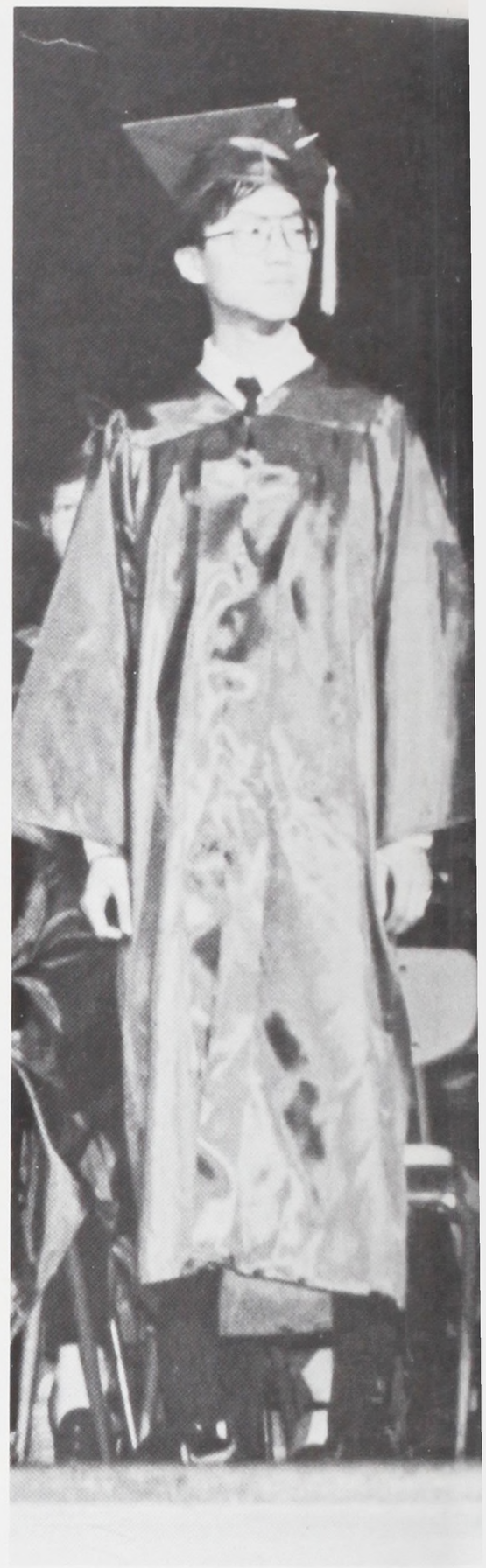
Jerimy Kopra (11) and Amy Wolf (11) enjoy a slow dance at the Junior Prom.

Queen Renee Lofgren (12) and King Matt Asay (12) begin their reign over the Senior Prom.

(below) Mark Duplessie, proud recipient of a US Army Scholar-Athlete Award, returns to his seat after receiving his honor.

Emile Bryant expresses his satisfaction at receiving the Allegis Foundation Achievement Scholarship.

Seniors Andy Fung, Stephanie Lawson, and Connie Tran stand to be recognized for their awards.



OUTSTANDING GRADS RECOGNIZED

After four years of hard work, seniors received honors in both an evening and a student assembly in mid May. Vice principal, Carol Mazzarato, presented the highest academic honor — the diamond pin — to seniors Julianne Trout and Winston Woo. Teachers presented awards for specific departments. Several students received honors in science. The top mathematics' award went to Julianne Trout and Andrew Fung. Paul Kucera and Randon Riley showed distinguished performance in English. Yong Kim, Christine Pham, and Andrea Lindberg received Certificates of Excellence in Foreign Language.

Students also accepted awards in each technical area. Included were Glen Moe in Architectural Drafting, Le Phan in Aviation, Sheila Moe in KPBS, and Aaron Leslie in Graphic Communications.

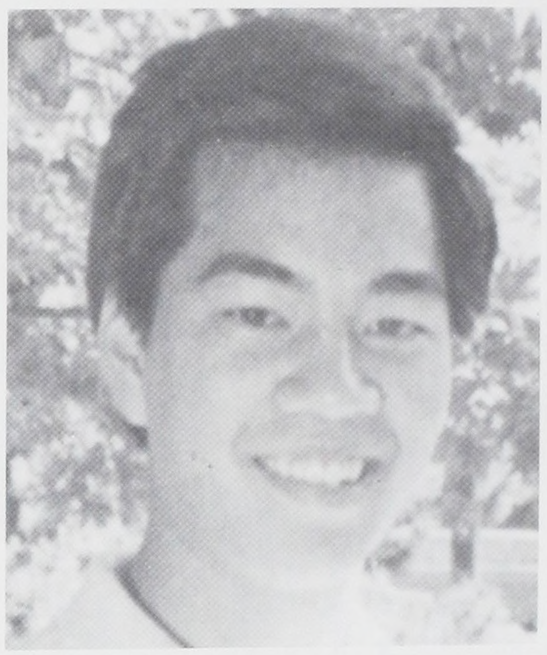
A variety of organizations and school granted scholarships were given. Tim Martin received and Air Force Academy Appointment. Mark Duplessie and Jodee Varney received U.S. Army Scholar-Athlete Awards. Emilie Bryant received the Allegis Foundation Achievement Award.

Michele Klein was the first recipient of a new scholarship given in memory of Aki Nishimura, former vice principal in charge of Technical Curriculum and biology teacher at Benson.

Early in May Benson's annual Professional Engineer's Award Contest presented awards. Casey Jones received first prize for his guitar project. Luke Olsen took second for his Robot 88.

As Mrs. Kris Iverson reads their names, Paul Kucera and James Wolford stand.

Luke Olsen takes second place in the Professional Engineering Contest.



Julianne Trout and Winston Woo win the diamond pin for academic excellence, receiving a four point grade average for four years.

Duke Dang gives everyone a quick look at his diploma.

Tricia Hartel, Carolee Myrick, Jodee Varney, Susan Ober, and Julianne Trout show their serious side, moments before graduation.

GRADUATION OVERWHELMS

It happens every year, but until you've been there, and been through it, it just doesn't hold the same weight.

Naturally, one cannot fully understand it until he or she is there. But when it happens — when you hear that crowd — parents, friends, relatives; it's more personal, more alive. You think maybe, just maybe, they're there to see you.

Looking around, we each saw the full range of human emotion — some smiled, some laughed, some screamed, some slept — and more than a few cried. It was quite a relief, at the time, knowing that we were finally free from the binds of school, ready to begin our lives, ready for independence. It was also a bit frightening. To realize independence is a simple thing, but to realize — and accept — the responsibility that comes with it; that's tough.

The assembly fell silent with Jerome's introductory speech, a reminiscent commentary about the good and the bad, and more of the good. He introduced the senior class president — Peter Collins — and Peter in turn introduced the valedictorians Julianne Trout and Winston Woo. We cheered for them, for their accomplishments; but at the same time, we cheered for ourselves. It had begun to sink in. This was the last time that we would see most of these people — this crowd of individuals — together. It was the last time we would see them separately. This group, that had been together for four long years, was disintegrating before our eyes.

Names started to roll past, and we watched, as one by one, our friends walked across the short stage and out of our lives forever. With one simple handshake and flash of a camera, our lives were irrevocably changed.

Graduation is something that only happens once or twice in our lives, yet looking forward (and backward), we realize that life is full of such passages, every day. Such an important part of our lives should not be viewed with loss, or sadness. We should remember, and be proud of ourselves and accomplishments.

Shane Patrick, Rachel Neiman, Timothy Nieman, Angelle Olds, and Brian Oliver each show a different expression as they wait for their turn to receive their diplomas.

Connie Tran secures her cap and fixes her hair — all at the same time.

Mr. Parr congratulates Peter Pham as he hands him his diploma.

Senior Class President Peter Collins addresses the graduates.

Steve Hatti . ..stens as John Thompson, Ian Roach, Jean Blondeau, Kris Cook, Hau Nguyen, and in front, Greg Montijo reminisce about great times in senior English.

Seniors Greg Asad, Julie Baik, Walter Bailey, and Jack Bee line up before graduation.

Minh Nguyen, Chris Passante, and Rustina Owenby watch as their remaining classmates get their diplomas.

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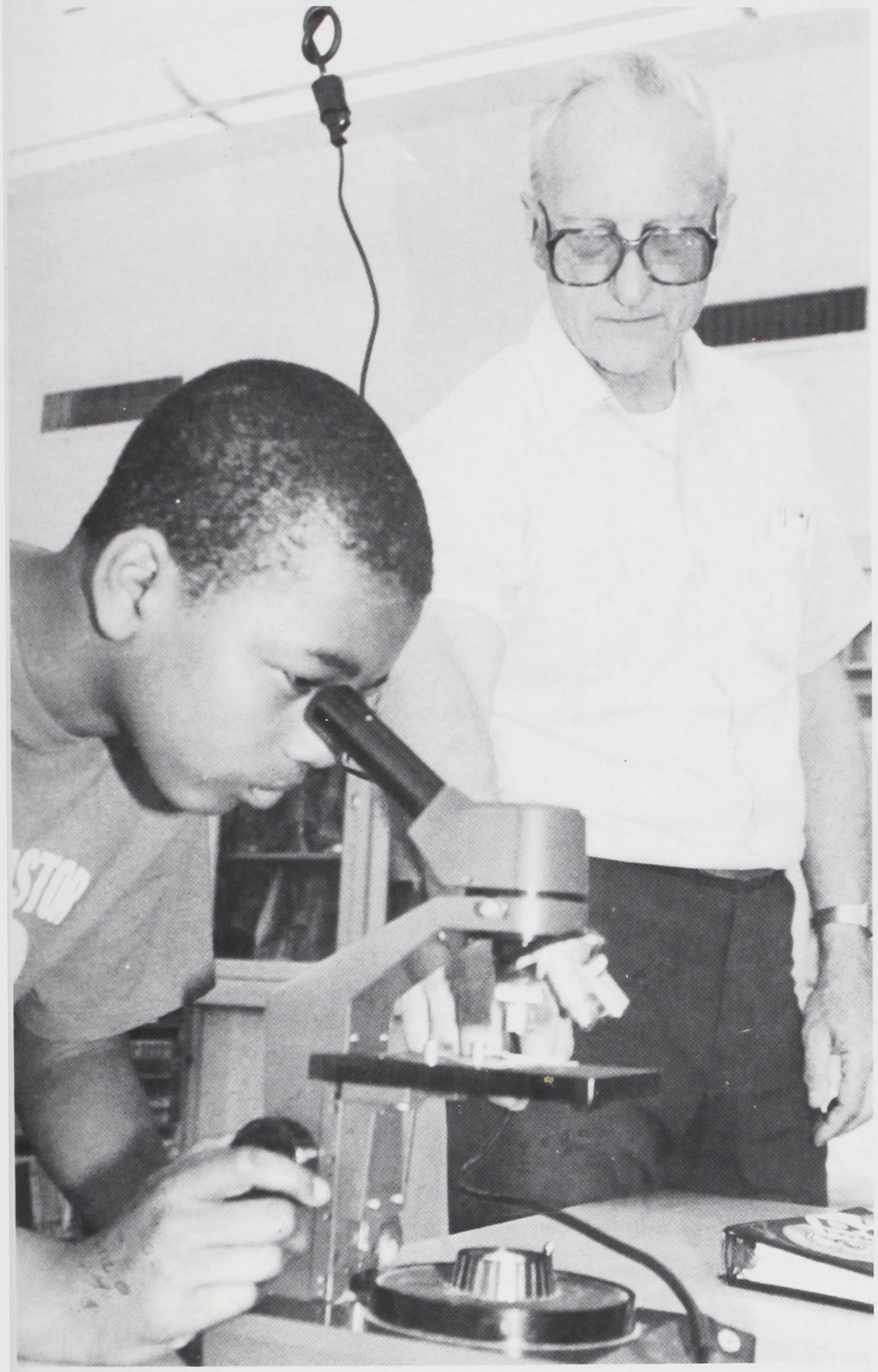


TWO TEACHERS DESIRE RELAXED COUNTRY LIFE

Two of Benson's teachers retired at the end of the 1988 school year. "It's been seventeen years of rewarding experience," said Mr. Merlin White, "I've enjoyed working with a great staff and watching students strive to achieve their goals."

At Benson, Mr. White has taught biology and coached. He plans to rest and do what he loves most — fish in his favorite spot on the Oregon Coast. "I wish the best to everyone who is committed to maintaining the Benson tradition," said Mr. White.

Ms. Jacqueline LeGat, a Health Occupations teacher, retired after nineteen years of dedication. She first began teaching at Monroe High School, and was one of those who brought the Health Occupations Program to Benson. Although she has taught other classes over the years, her primary focus has been the Dental Program. She also served as HOSA advisor.

"Many of the students I've had are now my friends," she said. "I've felt a great deal of joy working with the kids."

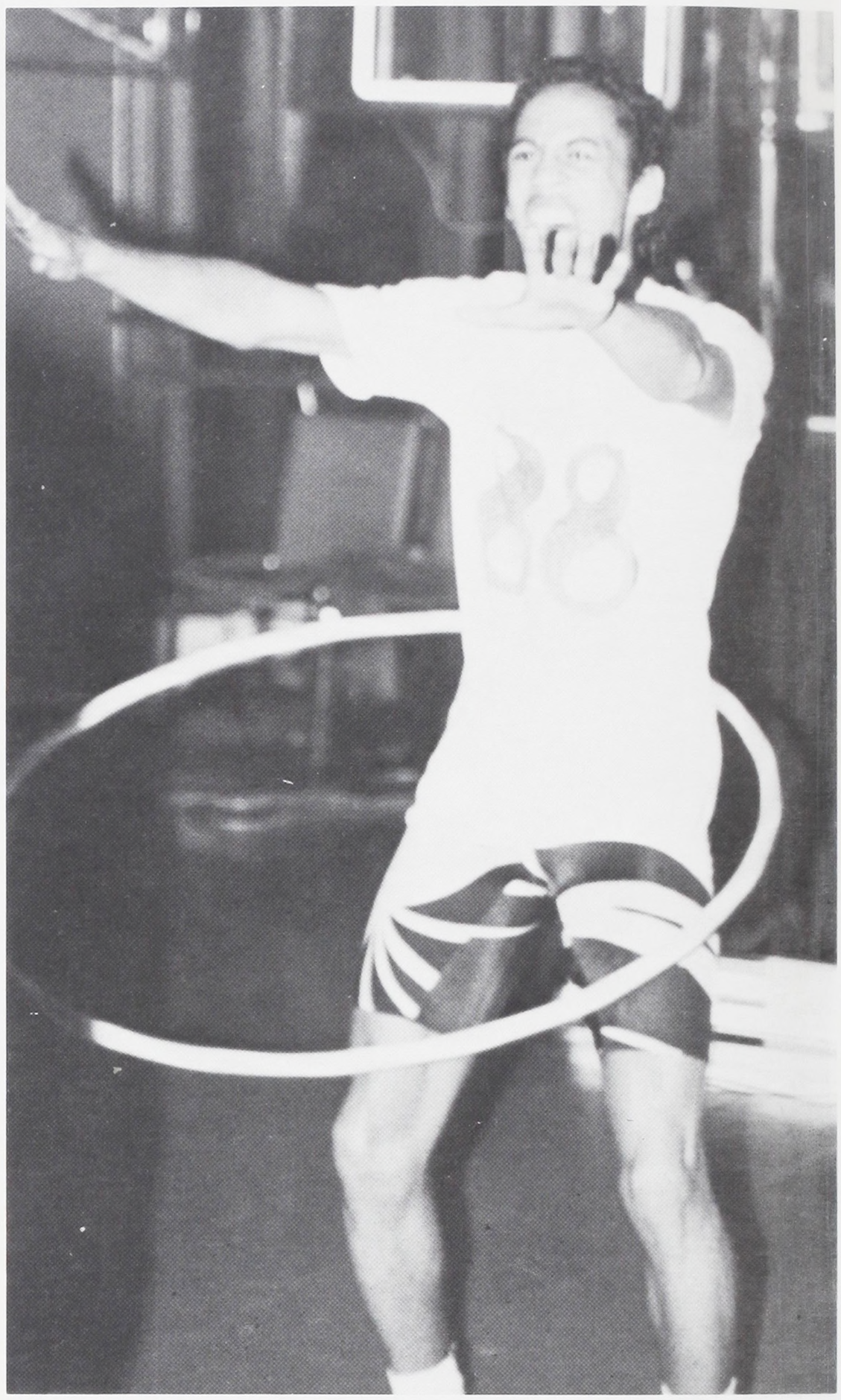
Ms. LeGat plans to fix up the property she has on the Wilson River. She will also pursue her interests in fishing, sculpting, and oil painting.

Mr. White gives Adrian Wright (9) some pointers in the use of a microscope.

Mrs. LeGat cuts the cake at her HOSA farewell party while Brittany Greenspon (11) and Helen Hoang (11) watch.

Keith Dempsey (12) shows how a hula-hoop was meant to be used.

A group of rowdy seniors rush for the grad party bus.



FOR SENIORS — IT'S ONE BIG PARTY

Volleyball, pool, swimming, foosball, dancing, Kino, blackjack contests — these were some of the many activities available to seniors at the PTA sponsored all-night party held the night of graduation. Students won prizes ranging from candy, to money, to a miniature television. Between activities they stuffed themselves with pizza, popcorn, candy and ice cream.

"I had the most fun just wandering from one activity to another," said Randon Riley. "It was great to watch students you had only seen at school really enjoying themselves at a party."

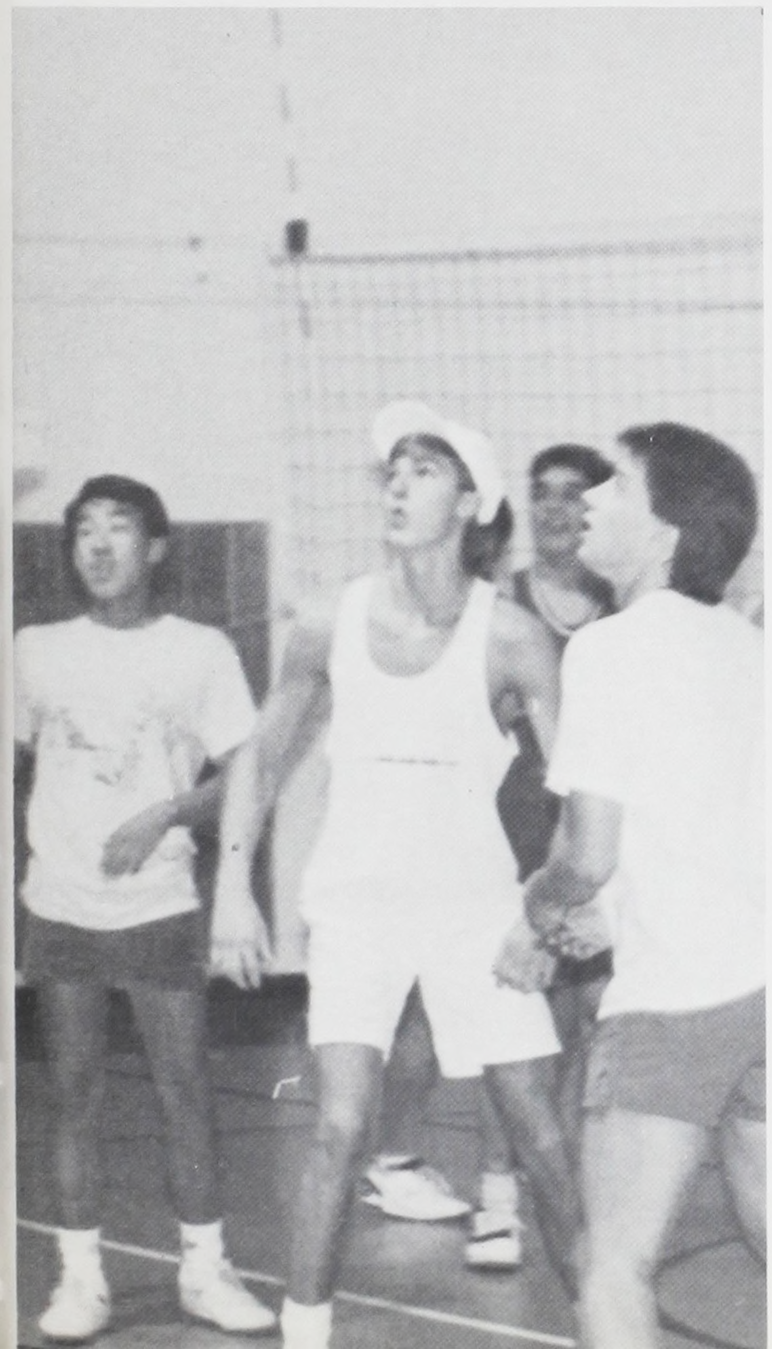
"People were there that I had never seen before," said Michele Klein. "I met a couple of people that I wish I had met earlier, but we had fun in the short time we were together."

Diving, volleyball, and basketball were the main activities throughout the night. The party was held at the Marshall Community Center in Vancouver, Washington. It ran from about 11 P.M. to 5 A.M. This was the second year the PTA sponsored a senior all-night party. "It was well worth the $12.50," said Adam Gee.

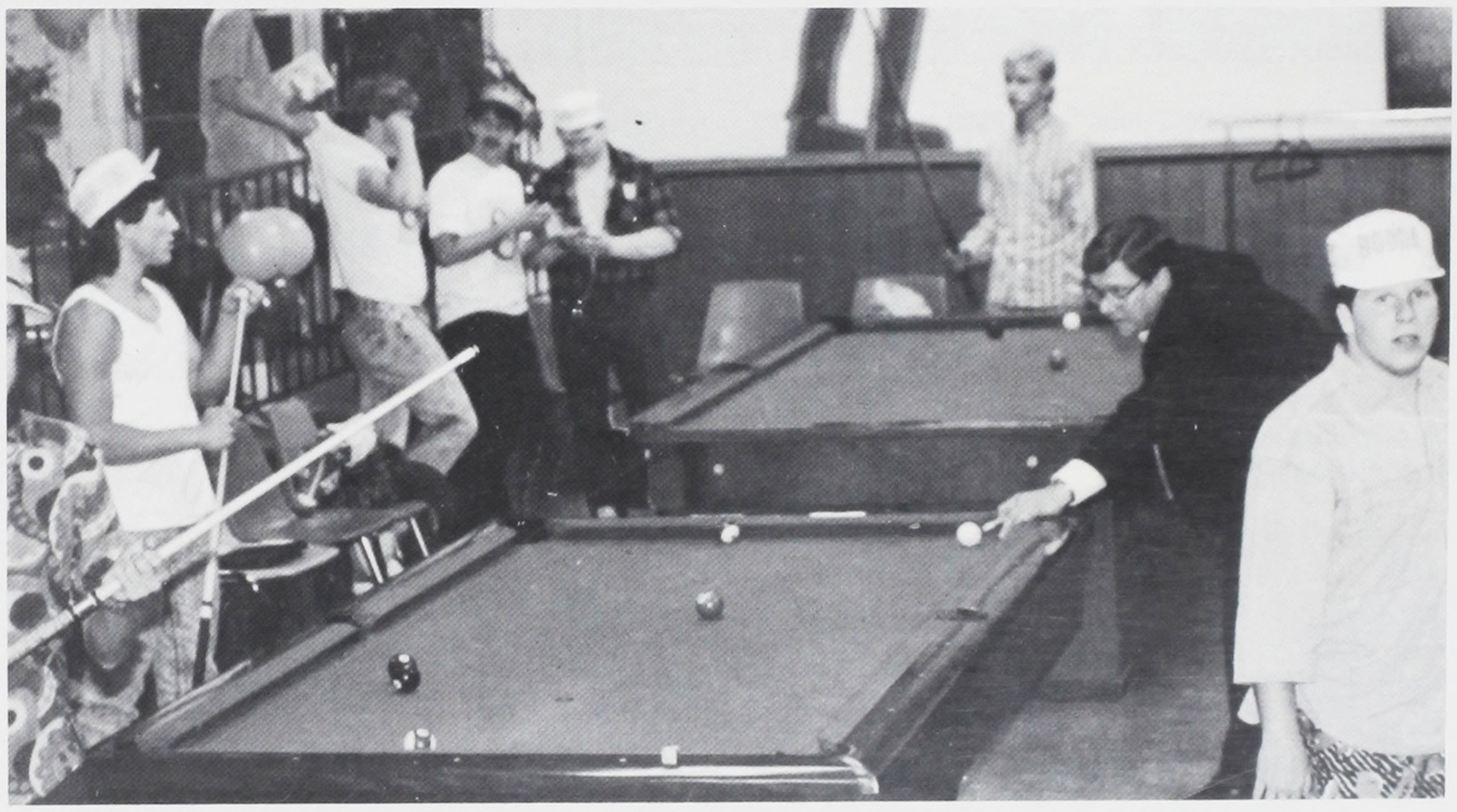
Robert Rounsville and Dan Zuckerman showcase their dancing expertise.

Adam Gee tries his luck at the gambling table.

Nickellete Wilson and Donald Calvert move to the beat.



Volleyball was one of the most popular activities at the grad party.



Josh Welsh and Jean Blondeau look on as Mr. Williams takes his best shot.

GANGS AFFECT BENSON'S POLICIES

Gangs have become an increasing threat in Portland. Because of the problem the Portland School District made policy changes which affected each of the schools. Benson had some problems with graffiti, other vandalism, and weapons.

Our biggest change was the addition of a staff security guard, or grounds person, Clinton Doyle. Mr. Doyle patrolled the school grounds and the building before, during, and after school. Mr. Doyle and the Benson student parking patrol also enforced the already existing parking rules.

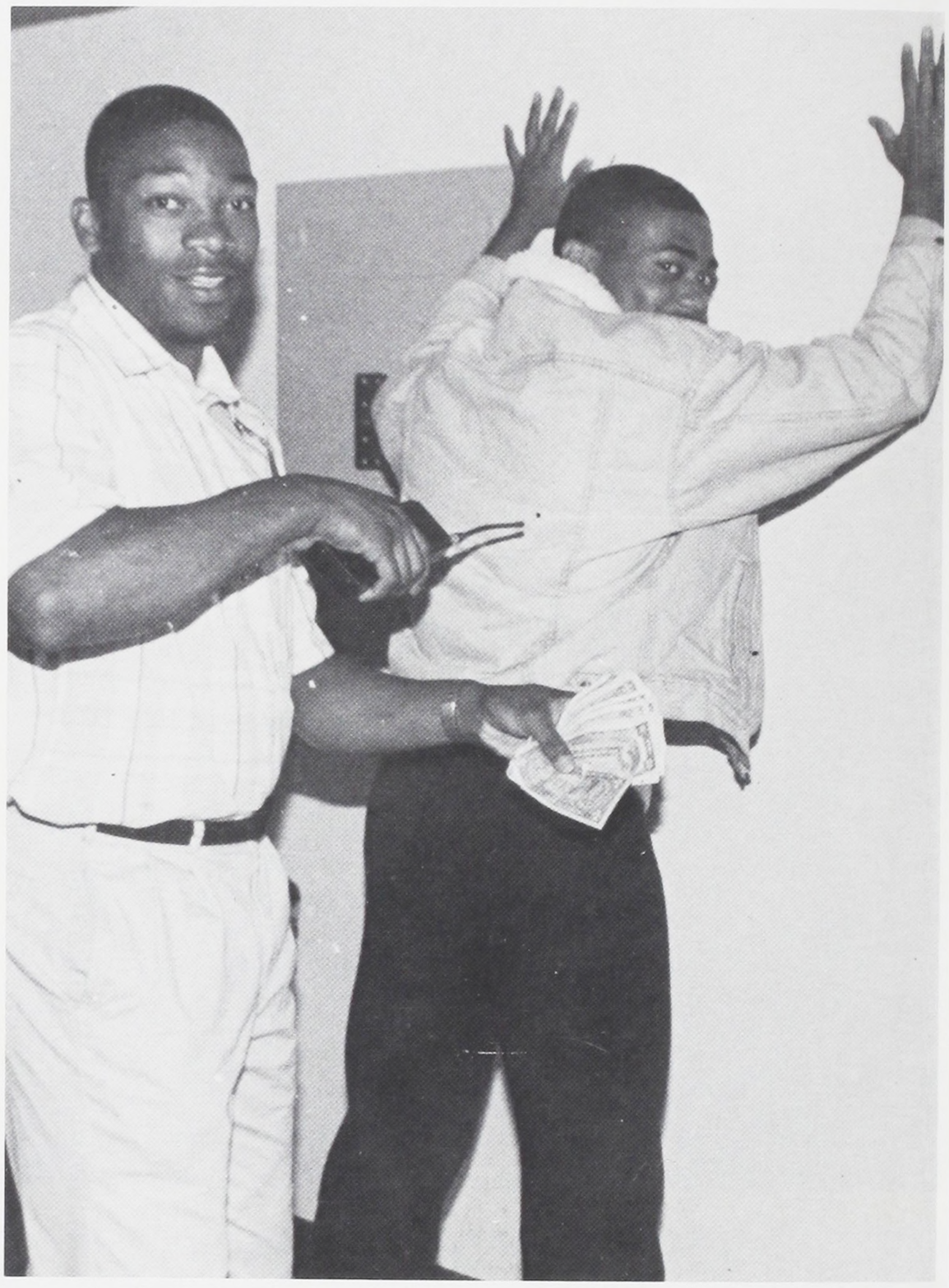
Because gangs identify themselves with certain kinds of clothing and clothing colors, hats and bandanas were banned at Benson and wearing only gang related colors was discouraged.

Gangs often communicate by means of graffiti, so policy established clear cut consequences for this vandalism. Students were told that writing gang related graffiti on their books or notebooks would result in referral.

"Administrators are concerned with student safety and want to take steps to prevent problems," said Vice Principal Fred Jackson. "Gang related problems distract from the academic success of students."

Door graffiti is painted by an unknown culprit.

Donta Warren play acts, helping Clinton Doyle to demonstrate a "gang member" frisk.



Parking patrol members John Thompson (12), Calvin Smith (12), Doug Lane (12), and Dean Hindman (11) help keep the peace at Benson.

Tim Jones (12) poses in front of the elaborate graffiti painted on the outside wall of Benson.

Early in the year Guy Nelson (12) wears the ever-popular baseball cap, which was soon after banned.

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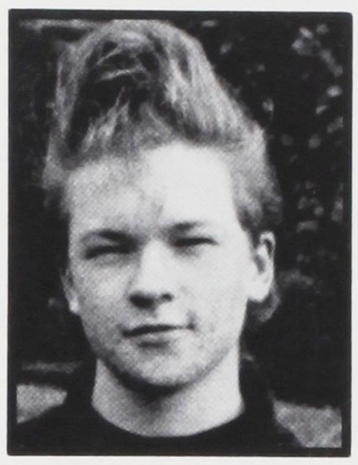

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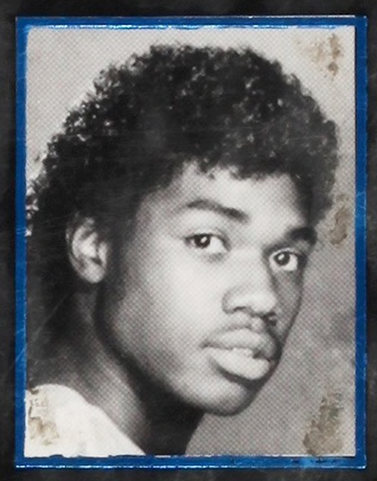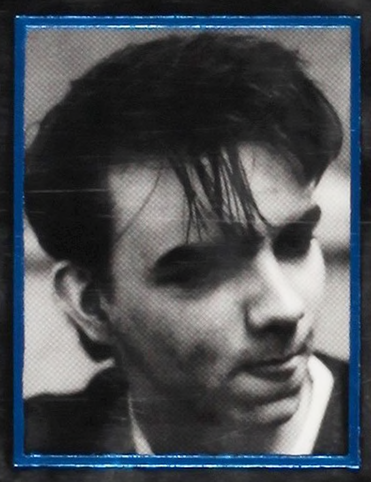
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