

*Golden*  
**Moments**

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1. Now that's making a fashion statement! After changing from cut-offs to black jeans, Troy Sauvageau marched down the aisle at coronation in his Reebok's.
2. After talking about the early-morning schedule, Principal Mike Drew gives an orientation lecture to the sophomores.
3. During the half-time show at the homecoming football game, the band dedicated their songs to the Centennial.



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1. Concert choir members get ready for their first performance as the Governor's choir at NDSU.



# GOLDEN MOMENTS

*Going to school while the stars are still shining.*

*Royalty in cut-offs try sliding past administrators.*

## **Year provides lasting memories!**

The 'Golden Moments' treasured from the 1988-89 school year were ones West Fargo will always remember. Getting up early and going to school under the stars will be talked about by the students for years to come. The homecoming king candidates tried to make their mark by showing up at coronation clad in cut-offs.

But there was more to this year than just school activities. The year 1989 marked the centennial of North Dakota. People from all over the state, including

West Fargoans, had the opportunity to demonstrate their pride for the state by participating in the activities planned for the celebration. The WFHS concert band and also the choir were active in the celebration.

The fiftieth anniversary of the West Fargo School District also influenced this year's 'Golden Moments' theme. Although unknown to many, the school district has a long history. The North school housed the facilities for both the grade school and high school

from 1935-40. In 1939 the total enrollment of the school was approximately 268, which was very close to the size of the graduating class of 1989. The Class of 1939, the first to graduate from the school, had a total of ten students.

It has been said that the high school years are often the best years of one's life, for each person will acquire golden memories that will never be forgotten. And the school year 1988-89 was filled with moments such as these.



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## What were your feelings toward the split-shift?

"I thought it stunk because the younger kids would come before we even got out of school," Nina Poole (12) stated.

"I liked getting out earlier, and it was better because I was done with pom-pon by 2:00," Heidi Gust (11) remarked.

"I liked getting out of school by 12:00, since we had the afternoon off I had time for homework and playing around, then I went to work at night," Stacy Burckhard (11) replied.

"I didn't like getting up at 4:00 a.m., but I did like being able to go home, watch 'Days' and go to sleep," commented Heidi Ruff (12).

"I thought it was cool we got those early hours. It was better than the regular schedule," Kirk Carrow (12) replied.

"I liked it because we got the afternoon off," Dean Kraft (11) stated.

## What did you like about the first day of school?

"I liked seeing who was going to be in my classes," replied Nina Poole (12).

"I liked seeing all of my friends," retorted Heidi Gust (11).

"I liked seeing all the people I hadn't seen all summer, but I hated getting up so early," Darin Peterson (11) stated.

"I liked the first day of school because it gave me something to do, but I hated getting up so early," remarked Shane Amundson (12).

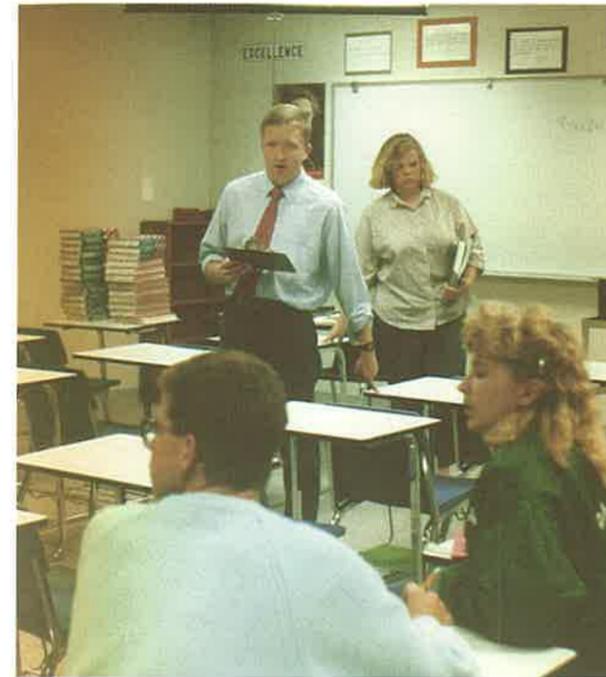
"I liked being able to rag on the teachers the first day because they really didn't do much about it, but I hated having to get dressed up to try and impress people," Stacy Burckhard (11) stated.



1. Where is room 105E anyway? This was the thought running through the minds of many students on the first day of school including Sherrie Erdmann (11).

2. The first day of school is also the only day many people actually have their book in class, here Mrs. Offerdahl assigns Nichole Kerchen (10) a geometry book.

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Cranking up Guns-n-Roses and sipping that great Mountain Dew, Creating that perfect 'back to school look'—sweatshirt, jeans, and tennies,

## Hi-ho, hi-ho, it's back to school we go!

Bzzz. The alarm goes off for the third time, but you are still unable to get up. It's 5:30 and the first day of school. Slowly you sit up looking at the alarm clock in disgust.

Turning on the shower, letting the hot water surge down your back, you suddenly realize you haven't decided what to wear, then it comes to you, a pair of jeans, a sweatshirt and tennies will be the perfect 'back to school look'.

Crawling to the refrigerator, quickly grabbing a can of Mountain Dew, an apple and all those new neon school supplies your mom bought. Time is running

out, you're almost late.

Realizing you forgot your keys you rush back into the house. "Aha!" you say finding the keys at the bottom of the closet in your room.

Okay, heading out again you plop into your car, turn on Guns-n-Roses and head to school.

Then your day starts. First period you have Mrs. Grey, who begins by saying "The assignment will be to read chapters 1-3. There will be a 90 pt. quiz on them tomorrow." Hoping this is just a bad nightmare, you soon realize this is reality.

1. The dreaded seating arrangements begin on the first day as Mr. Rykken points to a desk for Kathy Kavli (11) to sit in.

2. Studying begins even on the first day of school. Jolene Miller (12) and Cheryl Hochhalter (12) begin their first assignments in the library.



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Bump ... "Oops!", you tell the big senior you bumped into, "Sorry." He gives you a snarl and stalks off with his nose in the air.

Anyway, you head down to Phy. Ed. and find out you have Mr. Grunt for a teacher. He hates kids, but he teaches Phy. Ed. because he really likes sports. After his lecture, your hopes to pass the class soon fades.

Then you head down to your last class, history, which starts with the teacher telling the class that they have 10 whole minutes to memorize and recite the First 10 Amendments to the Constitution.

You glance at the clock, then at your book and fall asleep. You only wake up because the teacher, Ms. Americana, has dropped a book on your head. The bell finally rings, right in the nick of time.

In reality a person's day may be slightly different than this, but pretty close in comparison. In protest of getting up so early, some students showed up on the first day in pajamas and robes carrying pillows and stuffed animals, creating plenty of conversation and many memories to carry on throughout the year.

By Wendy Heinz

## Definition of summer is . . .

So what's your definition of summer? Do they match up to the ones below?

"Summer is when your parents start threatening you with family vacations," explained Kelli Montplaisir (11).

"My definition of summer is three months of not teaching. June, July, and August are three reasons of becoming a teacher," joked Mr. Rob Kaspari.

"Summer are the months in which you spend the most money on bribing your brother to keep his BIG MOUTH SHUT!" stated Stephanie Schenck (11).

"It means party while you waterski," explained Andrew Yahnke (12).

"I guess it means Detroit Lakes. It's a great place to pick up guys," stated Melanie Rohrich (11).

"It's a time where you don't have any of the responsibilities from school," stated Jody Flicek (12).

"Summer is a time to relax and not worry if you have tests to study for," Lisa Braaten (11) elaborated on Jody's response.

"Summer is when you can be free of school work. Just do whatever you feel like doing! Your whole day is free," explained Cari Smith (11).



1. At the International Music Camp in Dunseith, North Dakota, Jason Loney (11) performs in a talent show as one of the Brut Boys to the song "Lion Sleeps Tonight".

2. In his motel room at San Antonio, Terry Vareberg (12) shows what every growing boy should drink for breakfast.



1. Julie Fradet (12), Jamie Lund (11) and Debbie Nantt (11) converse in the only fast-food restaurant in San Antonio that isn't "gross", according to Kim Hammer (11).

2. At Hector National Airport, Janeen Troughton and Jody Flicek (12) wait for the arrival of the plane that will take Janeen back to New Zealand.



## However, some unfortunate ones have to work.

Imagine how life would be if there wasn't any summer vacation. Nothing but school during the months of June, July, and August. According to many people, summer should be a time for relaxation and parties! At the same time, others feel summer is meant as a vacation for the mind. But some students had to work during the summer, while others found time to get away on the weekends.

"I went to the lakes, and went waterskiing, swimming, and sun tanning. I also went to the Valley Fair," stated Lisa Braaten (11).

Other students stayed

around West Fargo and went to the Red River Vally Fair or attended concerts.

"The Randy Tavis concert was great! The Sweat Hearts of the Rodeo were much better than what I expected. The only thing that I minded about the concert was the people who were pushy and rude," explained Jody Flicek (12).

After the country/western concert, there was a hard rockin' concert performed by Cheap Trick.

"I went to the Cheap Trick concert. It was different, and later on that night there was a fire near the bathrooms," stated Anissa Krogh

(11).

Some students took far-away vacations in the summer of 1988. They had the privilege to go to San Antonio, Texas, with their church youth group.

Kim Hammer (11) explained in more detail about the vacation. "We stayed at the Holiday Inn Northwest Loop. We walked around to the little shops and attended the conventions. It was nice to get away from West Fargo," she said.

While students did their own thing during the summer season, we wondered what our

teachers did during their vacation.

"At first I taught U.S. history for three weeks. Then I coached tee-ball and pop-up baseball in Moorhead. I went to college and took two classes to get my masters degree. I also went to Elbow Lake and then went waterskiing and did some fishing," stated teacher Mr. Rob Kaspari.

To most people, summer is meant for relaxation and fun, but some people may use it as a time to acquire more knowledge.

By LeAnn Fonder

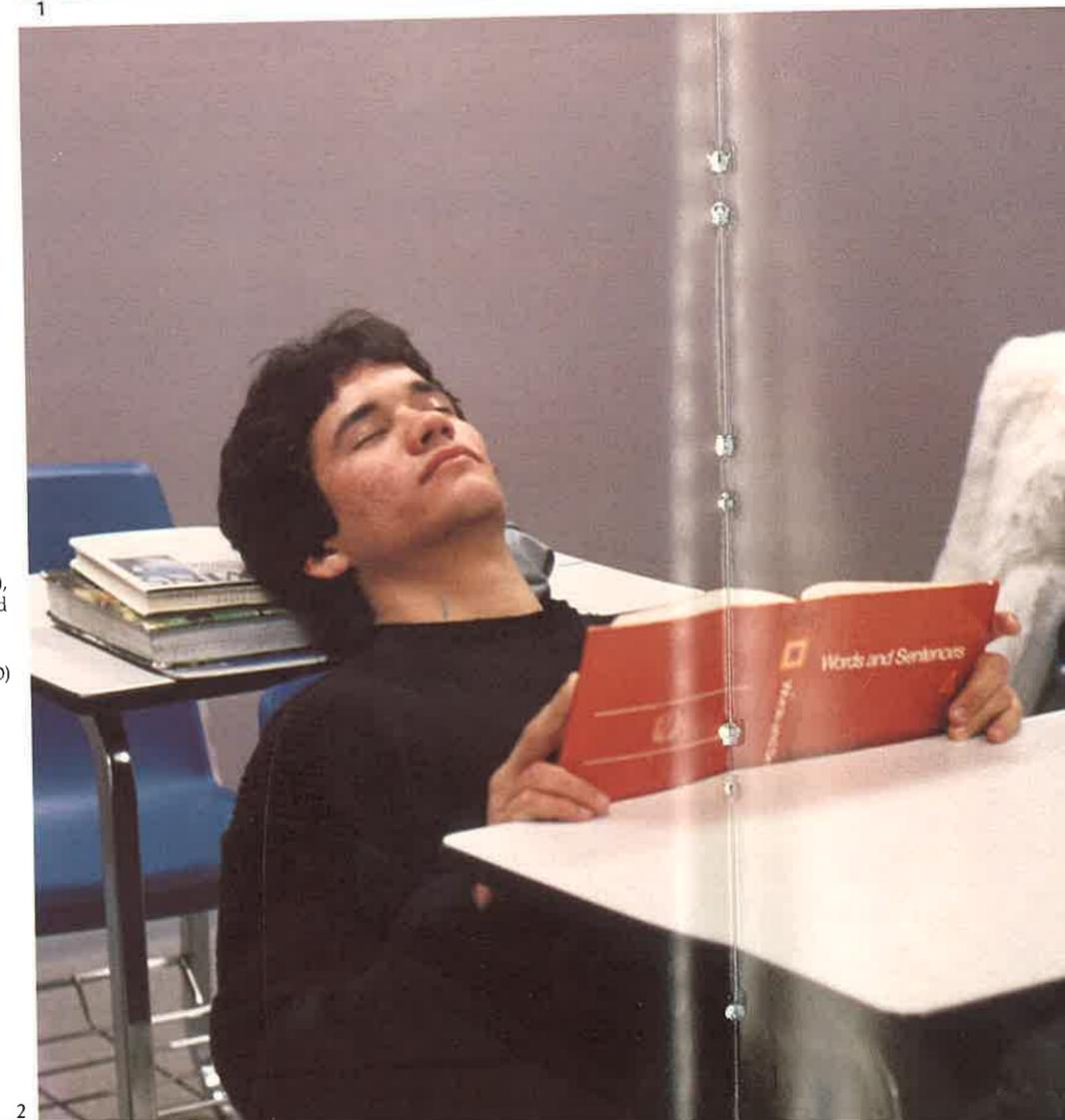


1. Many students, such as Amber Keszler (10) and Tammy Carlson (10), use study halls as a time to escape from the pressures of school and just daydream a while.

2. After attempting his English assignment, Shane Bruggeman (10) takes time out for a quick nap before the end of study hall.



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1. The advantage of sitting in the back of the class! Gregg Lura (11) dozes off during geometry class while the other students work on their assignments.



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*Is it fantasy or real?*

*Students share innermost daydreams and fantasies*

## **When you dream, dream big!**

There are many types of daydreams and fantasies other than the type that is not allowed to be mentioned in this story.

For example, "My biggest all time fantasy is to play my drums in a rock group at a sold out concert at the Forum in Los Angeles, California," stated Shane Amundson (12).

This one seems to be a favorite of the girls interviewed, "My fantasy is to be stranded on a desert island with a gorgeous guy," Nancy Pulczynski (12) sighed.

Here are a few that destroy any hope of reality for these guys.

These fantasies seem to be getting further and further away from reality by the

minute. "My all time biggest fantasy is to be driving along in my all new jet black Porshe 928 decked out with every option. Then I go in West Acres, when I come out there is a beautiful blonde sitting in the passenger seat with a skirt on and the greatest set of legs anyone can imagine. We take off and go to the Virgin Islands where we spend every minute together and she fulfills the rest of my fantasy. Then later on we both get to meet Pat Sajak and Vanna White. If I have to, I'll settle for a Corvette and Bob Barker," retorted Tom Potter (12).

Now be serious, this is a really far-out fantasy. "I'd like to mud wrestle Cybil Shepard," Travis Paeper (10) drooled. This one certainly has a possibility. "I'd like to play Anesthesia

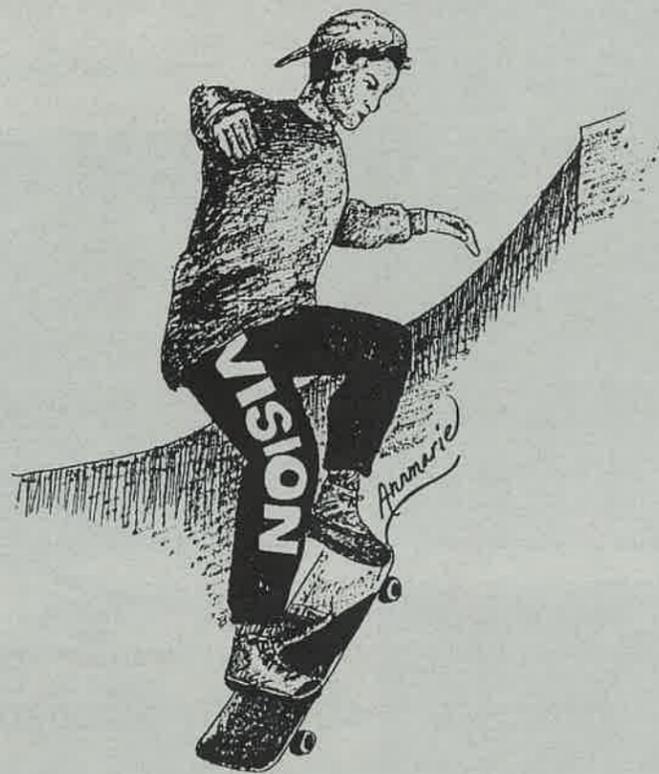
(Pulling Teeth) at Hammersmith ODEAN, which is the biggest arena in London," stated Chad Heille (12).

This fantasy sounds like fun! "My fantasy is to go somewhere tropical and warm. My most common daydream is probably ... Scott," Tammy Richter (12) replied.

This one is totally outrageous and weird, "I'd like to have a big heirem for my fantasy, and my most common daydream is, I want to be just like Kyle Berg," revealed Todd Nankivel (12).

Fantasies and daydreams, do they ever come true? Wouldn't it be a little eerie if some of them did?

By Wendy Heinz



*West Fargo High's Skateboarders*

*They skate. They launch. They ollie.*

**The THRASHERS**

Keeping busy after school is always easy to do, but a few sophomores at WFHS found an interesting way. By skating. Jay Braseth started skating in seventh grade. "It's not as easy as it looks," said Jay. Last summer he got into ramps. "I use kneepads if a trick is difficult. It takes a lot of coordination to do some of the tricks," he stated.

Geordie Hanna started about two years ago. When he launches off ramps he goes for height and does 180 degree turns. "It was easy to learn how to skate for me," he said. Geordie was modest and stated, "Jim Bachman is probably

the best of all of us."

Jim started skating as a hobby about two years ago. He tells others that it is hard work and has its share of pain, especially if there is no safety equipment used.

Skating has its own terms. Some of the different tricks are kick flips, ollies, kick-flip ollies, methods, launches and rail slides. The tricks are very hard to do and they are even harder to describe!

By Erin Dusek



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1. In the swing of things! Geordie Hanna (10) attempts and is successful in doing a "180 degree hippie twist".

2. Displaying his skateboarding talent, Jim Bachman (10) demonstrates a "method".

3. Is this as easy as it looks? Geordie Hanna (10) tries one of the many stunts he's learned since he first started thrashing.



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1. Blasting into the air, Jay Braseth (10) performs a challenging "rocket air boost".



1. Sax players Janece Linnertz (11), Vicki Stromberg (12), Tansy McKenzie (12) and Sarah Jensen (12) rehearse the songs they played for their December concert.

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2. Practice makes perfect! As a member of the Centennial Band, Jessica Baker (11) practices her music after school in the band room.

3. As Mr. Glenn Whaley directs the concert band, students work on perfecting the songs for their homecoming performance which was dedicated to North Dakota.



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1. Showing her rhythm techniques, Stacie Loegering (11) also models her new Centennial Band uniform.

2. *The North Dakota Joke Book* is one of the many elements of the historical center. Sisters Angie (11) and Cindy Kowalke (10) share a few laughs while looking at this book in the West Fargo Public Library.



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*North Dakota's 100th birthday celebration turns out as big bash! West Fargoans attend parades, all-school reunion, concerts plus much more*

## **Students given chance to show state pride**

Parades, a marching band and an all-school reunion were just a few of the many activities West Fargo featured for the celebration of the North Dakota Centennial.

The West Fargo Concert Choir was selected as the Governor's Centennial Choir. According to Mr. Jon Loy, the choir director, the 70 singers were under a great deal of pressure to have a perfected performance. This task was made even more difficult because of the shortened classes caused by the split-shift.

Nellie Udem (12), a concert choir member, expressed her feelings about being part of the group. "The last three years, the Governor's Choir has been college groups, and to associated with these groups is

quite an honor," said Nellie (12).

Not only did the choir participate in the celebration, but the band also contributed their talent. The band dedicated their Homecoming performance to North Dakota and its Centennial. They made a formation of a sunflower to represent North Dakota's agriculture and an oil rig to symbolize the economy.

"We felt it was our duty to the state to salute the Centennial through our half-time show," explained band vice-president Jason Loney (11).

Two students from WFHS, Jessica Baker (11) and Stacie Loegering (11), were chosen to be part of the Centennial High School

Band. The band consisted of the best 200 music students from North Dakota.

"Besides our three main performances we will be touring the whole state of North Dakota and performing at the Rosebowl in California," said Stacie.

Not only were current West Fargo students involved with the celebration, but all the people who have attended school here in the last 50 years. An all-school reunion was held June 30 through July 2. According to Flora West, organizer of the event, it was a challenge just to get the list of 5,000 names out. The reunion included banquets, a parade and other entertainment.

"We wanted to make this a West Fargo event and in-

clude everybody," said West.

The parade was scheduled for July 1. A few of the main attractions were the marching bands, antique vehicles and several old tractors. Roger Olson, the coordinator of the parade, was hoping for a great turnout. "Everyone likes a parade," claimed Olson.

The Centennial has also sparked the beginning of a West Fargo Historical Center located at the West Fargo Public Library. The center includes newspaper clippings, photos, slides and some history on tape. The many activities that were planned for the Centennial provided the chance for West Fargoans to show their pride for North Dakota.

By Jennifer King

1. While the crowd waits to see who will be crowned king and queen, Eric Speicher (12), DeAnna Thulin (12) and Larry Geffre (12) sing the song "Friends" at coronation.
2. After Jason Justesen (12) is crowned king, seniors David Patterson, Troy Sauvageau, Kyle Berg and Terry Babb congratulate him.



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1. The following seniors made up the 1988-89 Homecoming Court: Kyle Berg, Troy Sauvageau, David Patterson, Terry Babb, Jason Justesen, Lia Lubben, Kim Kalm, Marni Zimney, Jody Brandt and Mandy Orth. Jason and Lia were crowned as king and queen.



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*Do real men wear their tuxedo pants?*

*Administration upset over king candidates' attire*

## **Tradition shatters, Coronation made memorable**

The 1988-89 homecoming king candidates spit in the face of tradition on Sept. 19 at the coronation ceremonies. Showing up in cut-off shorts and Reebok's, the guys made coronation a memorable one indeed. The administration, however, did not take lightly to this action. The guys were sent home to change, but they hadn't rented any tux pants so most of them ended up in jeans and tennis shoes.

The candidates felt the administration lacked a sense of humor, and their actions they took were not in the spirit of good fun.

"Mr. Drew, Mr. Clark, and Mr. Hulbert didn't have the guts to call off coronation," commented Kyle Berg (12).

When coronation finally was under way, Kim Henke (12) and Allen Rust (12) announced the candidates. Before this, Deanna Thulin (12), Larry Geffre (12), and Eric Speicher (12) got the emotions of everyone flowing when they sang the song "Friends".

The suspense began to mount when the candidates entered the gym one by one. The king candidates were seniors Terry Babb, Kyle Berg, Jason Juste-

sen, David Patterson, and Troy Sauvageau. The five queen candidates were seniors Jody Brandt, Kim Kalm, Lia Lubben, Mandy Orth, and Marni Zimney.

The moment of truth soon arrived, and held breaths were let out as Jason and Lia were crowned the 1988-89 West Fargo Homecoming Royalty.

The candidates had typical reactions of surprise and excitement when they found out they were chosen for this honor. The king and queen shared their feelings of the moment when they were crowned. "I

was surprised and really happy that I was picked," stated Jason Justesen. Lia just bubbled when expressing her feelings. "I was so surprised when I was crowned. It was great. I felt so happy," gushed Lia. All in all, the West Fargo High School 1988-89 Coronation was one that most people won't forget.

By Tara Aarestad



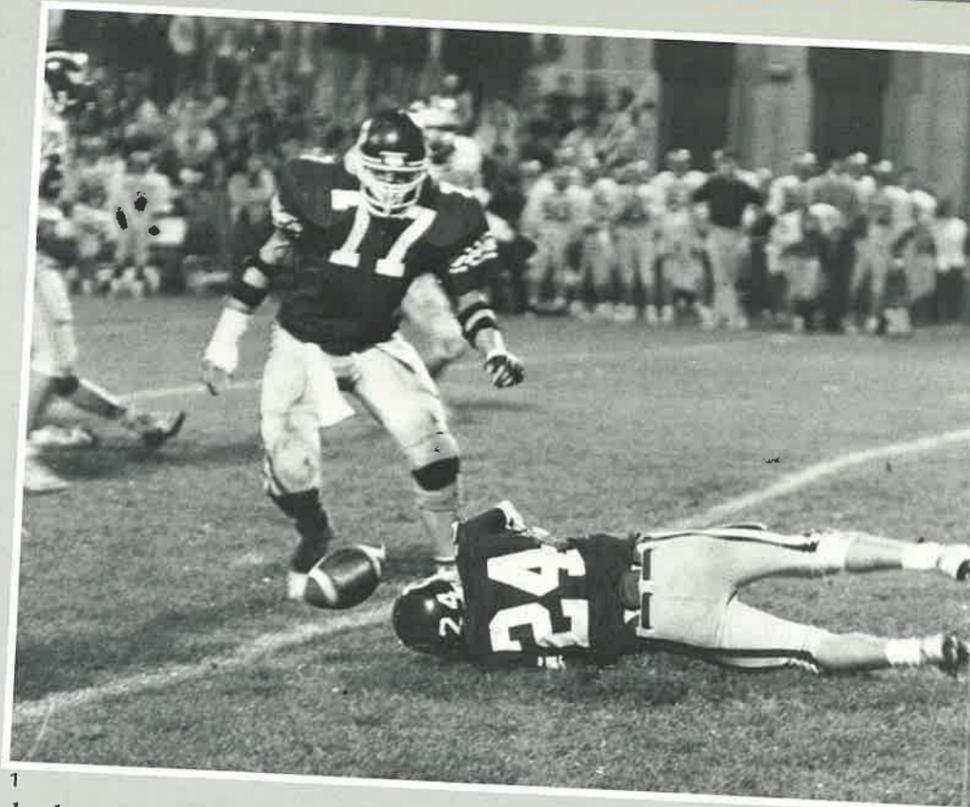
2. When coronation finally was under way, Kim Henke and Allen Rust announced the homecoming candidates.
3. After being crowned king and queen, Jason Justesen and Lia Lubben stand before the crowd at West Fargo High School.

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2. After Troy

1. Clint Schmidt (10) scrambles for the ball after watching it slip out of David Patterson's (12) grasp.
2. Jody Brandt (12) looks for an open teammate to complete the pass while the senior line tries to block the juniors.



*Spirit shown with clothes people wear  
Pride displayed at powder-puff game*

## Memories linger on

The 1988-89 Homecoming Week was one that most people won't want to forget. Especially those who either participated in one of the games or those who won Hardee's gift certificates for being chosen as the best dressed in each category. Lia Lubben (12) and T.J. LeMier (12) won the awards on Role Reversal Day, Deb Frank (12) and LaRee Hahn (12) on Spirit Day, and Kim Kalm (12) and Kristen Chartier (12) on Hawaiian Day. The

awards were dominated by the seniors.

Coronation was held Monday night in the high school gymnasium. Jason Justesen (12) and Lia Lubben (12) were crowned as the Homecoming Royalty.

The senior girls won the Powder Puff game in the nick of time. They made their last touchdown with only two seconds left on the clock.

By Tara Aarestad



1. T.J. LeMier (12) shows off his 'sexy' legs underneath his so-called 'fashionable' dress.
2. Scott Schumacher (12) concentrates on balancing atop Gerald Poitra's (12) shoulders during a cheer for the senior Powder Puff team.

*The students' Packer pride and spirit shines through in most everything they do!*

## Homecoming proves no exception.

The games, matches, and meets held during homecoming week made it a truly memorable one indeed.

Within the last two seconds of the Powder Puff game, the seniors crushed all junior hope by making a touchdown and winning the game with a score of 12-8.

"The Powder Puff game was the greatest part of

homecoming. The seniors' aggression and intensity were in the air. The juniors were determined to see how much they could get away with (which was a lot)," said Dawn Akason (12).

Other sports competing during this week were boys' tennis, girls' swimming, girls' basketball, football, boys' soccer and both girls' and boys' cross-

country.

Fans awaited the outcome of the homecoming football game in hopes of a win, but it just wasn't meant to be.

"Many have the will to win, many have the will to prepare to win, but some just don't know how to win," joked Kyle Berg (12).

By Tara Aarestad

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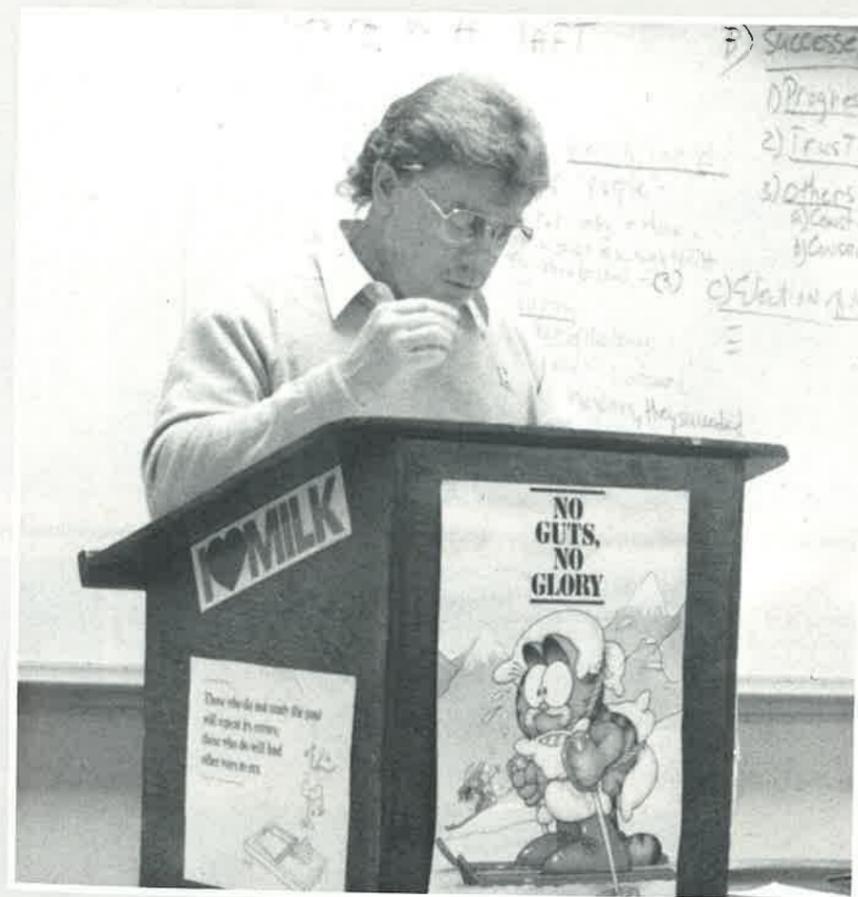
1. "For my most memorable moment, two things come to mind. First is that after over twenty years of teaching, I still enjoy it very much, and second our split schedule, the first nine weeks, gave Mr. Tefft and me some great after fall golfing!" reminisced Mr. Chuck Gad.

2. Her first year at WFHS, Mrs. Jane Holland keeps busy teaching her classes and also coaching the Packatahnas. "My most memorable moment would be the first day of school. I was very excited about starting a new teaching job. The first few weeks of school were also memorable. It was nice to be done with school early and enjoy some afternoons off," recalled Holland.

3. Singing is all part of the job. Choir director, Mr. Jon Loy, demonstrates to his choir students exactly how he wants the song sung in order to prepare the group for their next performance.



# Golden Moments of Faculty



Stressing a point, Mr. Paul Tefft refers to his notes as he lectures to a class of juniors taking his U.S. History course. "Mr. Tefft is a good history teacher and his stories, however unbelievable, are enjoyable to hear," replied LeAnn Fonder (11).

*"I don't need to take notes—I have a photogenic memory" was a favorite excuse of Ms. Haro-LaMotte.*

## Excuses must be clever, believable

"The cops took my homework for ID..." "I forgot my books at school..." "Martians took it back to their planet..." "I donated my notes to the recycling plant..." These are but a few of the creative excuses that teachers have heard more than once over the years.

Choosing the right excuse has become a class in itself, for "my dog ate it" doesn't cut it any more. It's got to be clever.

Some students make the mistake of creating a clever excuse, but then overusing it. For example, Social studies teacher Mr. Paul Tefft remembers a student whose grandmother died four times in one quarter.

But if clever doesn't work, then try to blame

1. Same routine — different day. Heidi Grindberg (11) and Mr. Larry Anderson attempt to summon up just a little more energy in order to make it through the remaining 50 minutes of their seventh period study hall.

2. Mr. Jerry Heinz assists Carrie Wagenman (10) in her graphics class to better understand her lengthy assignment.

it on your health problems. Mr. Chuck Gad, the student business teacher, recalls a student like this.

"He had to go to the dentist to get a tooth pulled, but on the way home he didn't know where to put his tooth so he set it on top of his books. When he turned a corner, his books and tooth flew out the window," said Gad.

Although it is not always easy to make up a good excuse that teachers will believe, most teachers don't understand that trying to come up with these unique excuses takes almost as long as it takes to do the homework. Shouldn't this count for something?

By Julie Foeltz



1. At the beginning of seventh period, Mrs. Bata supervises her study hall students, who anxiously await the ringing of the bell, with the assistance of a helpful sophomore, Aaron Lofgren (10).

2. Signing admit slips is just one of the many different aspects of a teaching job. Wendy Ziemer (11) asks Mrs. Jane Haro-Lamotte to sign her admit slip, so she can begin the task of making up her homework she missed during her absence.



Larry Anderson, Art  
Steve Anderson, Retail  
Toni Bach, Counseling  
Connie Barnett, Special Ed.  
Alicia Bata, Spanish  
Cheryl Baumgarten, Business



Helga Bennett, Kitchen  
Sharon Benzel, English  
Sandra Bergstrom, Special Ed.  
Audrey Binger, Paraprofessional  
Cheryl Buzick, Secretary  
Jerome Christianson, Science



Sharon Christianson, Secretary  
Ernest Christl, Vocational  
Gary Clark, Assistant Principal  
Dwight Corbeil, Vocational  
Richard Cwikla, Vocational  
Ron Dahley, Special Ed.



Michael Drew, Principal  
Irene Enzminger, Paraprofessional  
Susan Fonder, Kitchen  
Charles Gad, Business  
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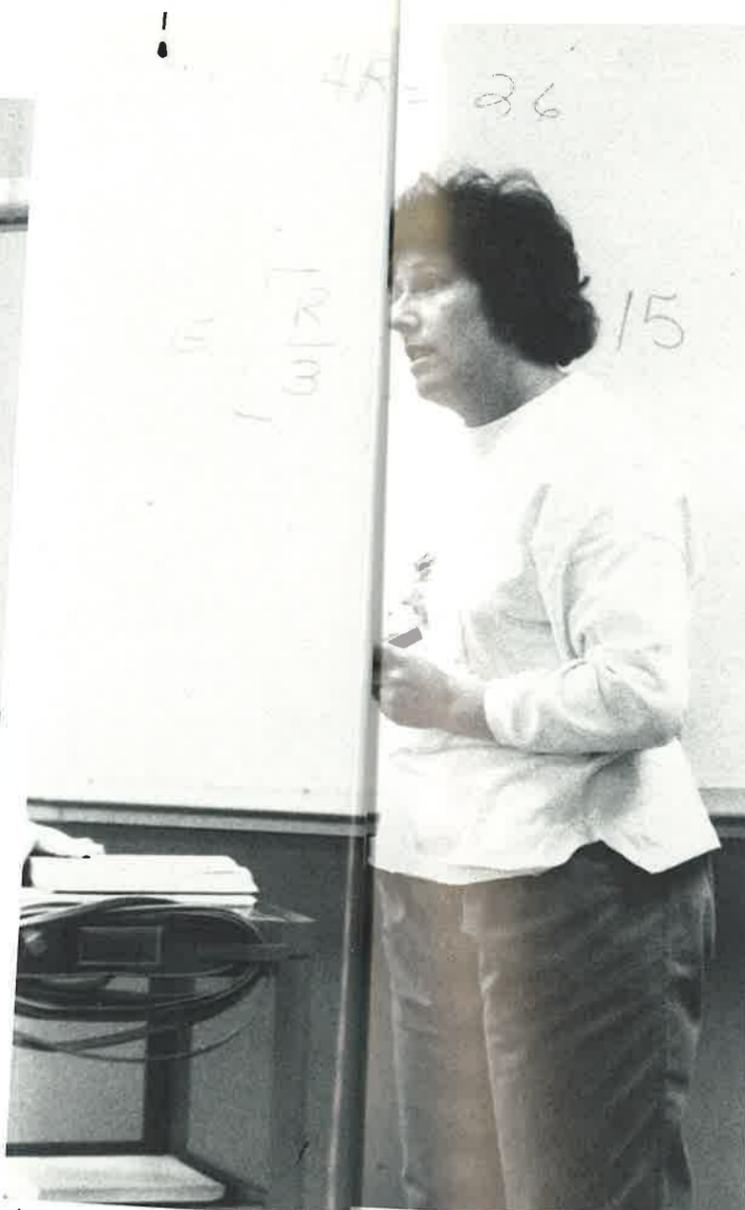
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1. Before beginning one of his United States History classes, Mr. Paul Rykken emphasizes a point to a few of his students.

2. While teaching a math class, Mr. Reuben Mutzenberger tries to explain the concept of Algebra I to Clint Armstrong (10), one of his students.

3. Using his lengthy background in art, Mr. Larry Anderson discusses an art project with Sherry Sahr (11).

4. During an Algebra I class, Mrs. Pamela Kangas explains the concept of solving equations containing two variables to her math students.



*"I feel I have something to give. Teaching is a giving of oneself."*

## Why do teachers want to teach?

Everyone has a dream of what they want to be when they grow up. Some little girls want to be nurses or secretaries, while little boys hope to be firemen, doctors or policemen. Some children want to teach.

Although each teacher has his own reason for choosing to dedicate a part of his life to teaching, the most common reason for entering the teaching profession is the opportunity to work with the students.

"I like working with kids, and I teach Phy. Ed. because I couldn't stand to sit still in a classroom," said Mrs. Janice Miller.

Some teachers feel teaching is a contribution which can help more than just the students.

"I have an intense interest in history and began teaching because I felt like I could contribute to society through teaching," reasoned Mr. Paul Rykken.

A high school teacher was what motivated Mr. Larry Anderson towards teaching.

"I think art is important for students to have a background in for careers or just for hobbies later on in life," he said.

When Mr. Reuben Mutzenberger was in college, he had an experience with a young man who couldn't walk. After working with him, the young man learned to walk.

"I feel I have something to give. Teaching is a giving of oneself," expressed Mutzenberger.

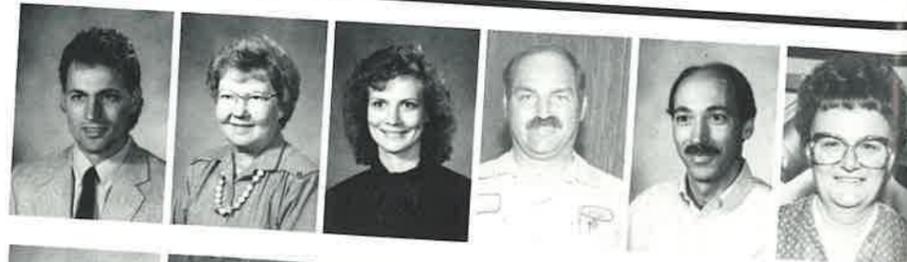
Teaching is not, however, always a bed of roses. One of the main problems is pay. Educational budgets do not allow for very high salaries for teachers. Other problems mentioned by teachers include trying to keep kids motivated, and the apathy expressed by students.

"I feel sorry for the people who aren't as excited about Shakespeare as I am — they don't know what they're missing," stated Mrs. Liv Rosin.

For whatever reason teachers begin their careers, most of them seem to enjoy it, and students, admittedly or not, are grateful to teachers.

By Annmarie Esslinger

Drue Haarsager, Social Studies  
Joan Hall, Home Economics  
Karen Hanson, Business  
Cliff Hartl, Custodian  
Jerome Heinz, Vocational  
Irene Hempler, Kitchen



Jane Holland, English  
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Mary Knox-Johnson, English  
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Robert Monte, Phy. Ed



Reuben Mutzenberger, Math  
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1. Stopping to talk quickly in the hall, Mr. Bob Monte tells Jason Justesen (12) about his embarrassing day in class when his zipper was open.
2. While lecturing to a class of juniors, Mrs. Mary Knox-Johnson educates her students about American literature and authors.
3. During a biology lab, Mr. Richard Swanson explains the procedure so Christel McNamara (10) and Heather Borg (10) can better understand the assignment.

*"I found out after class that my zipper was open. No one in the class even told me!"*

## Awkward moments strike

Remember falling down the stairs or walking into a class full of seniors when you were only a sophomore? Some students feel like the world is going to end after something like this happens. They feel that everyone will remember what they did — forever. Teachers might even have it twice as bad because they are in the school longer and the stories linger on.

Some teachers didn't have their embarrassing moments in a classroom, but instead in the lunchroom.

"In my first year of teaching, I was standing in the lunch line when a student teacher, who didn't know who I was, kicked me out of the line. The next day Mr. Mutzenberger made me a sign to wear around my neck that said 'I am a teacher,'" said English teacher Mrs. Mary Knox-Johnson.

Some teachers have even forgotten to go to one of their classes.

"I was sitting in my office one day

when one of my biology students came in and asked if we were having class that day. I said yes and he left. He came back and asked again if we were having class and I said yes. I figured that he kept asking because it was snowing out and he probably thought it was going to storm and school would be let out early. It turns out that I forgot to go to that class," said science teacher Mr. Richard Swanson.

Although some awkward moments are quite common, they can still be memorable.

"When I first started teaching, I was lecturing in a social studies class. I found out after class that my zipper was open. No one in the class even told me," said Phy. Ed. teacher Mr. Robert Monte.

Even teachers have humiliating experiences. They have lived through them, and are still around to tell the story.

By Beth Schwartz

Nancy Peterson, Special Ed.  
Arlin Prochnow, Business  
LaVonne Pulczynski, Kitchen  
Donna Ramsholm, Kitchen  
Doris Rheault, Secretary  
Joanne Rheault, Paraprofessional



Liv Rosin, English, Publications  
Mary Rykken, Paraprofessional  
Paul Rykken, Social Studies  
Joan Saye, Kitchen  
Ann Schellack, Social Studies  
Faith Schue, Special Ed.



Janelle Schumacher, Phy. Ed.  
Roxy Shorma, French  
Mary Soehren, Library  
Peggy Spitzer, Science  
Richard Swanson, Science  
Pam Thompson, Science



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Colleen Tupper, Lighthouse  
Jennifer Venaas-Gilbraith, Special Ed.  
Laurel Vorachek, Home Economics  
Mark Wagar, Science  
Jennifer Waldera, Art



*"Students have different opinions about life and other things," said Mr. Glenn Whaley.*

## Rewards, what are they?

Believe it or not, teachers feel there is more to their profession than handing out and collecting assignments. Teachers at West Fargo High School receive rewarding moments from their careers, which range from special years to memorable students.

Most teachers enjoy having old students come back to talk about how their lives are going and how the teacher affected their lives in college and out in the real world by pushing them and forcing them to do homework.

"One thing I find very rewarding about teaching is when students graduate and return to let me know that what they learned in my class helped their attain goals," commented math teacher Mrs. Pam Offerdahl.

Teachers also enjoy seeing generations of students go through school like those before them. In fact, some teachers have taught the parents of their current students. Although the years and styles are different, some aspects

remain the same.

"One reward is when you see a new generation of kids to teach music to. If we wiped out all the schools in the world, the next generations of people would be no better than the cave people in history. They would have to start all over," said band director Mr. Glenn Whaley.

Surprisingly enough to some students, teachers are not at a loss for naming reasons they enjoy their profession.

"I enjoy teaching young people and being around them," commented Mr. Mark Wagar, a science teacher.

Teachers also say students have different opinions about life and interesting ideas. Even though students and teachers have different opinions, they have at least one thing in common: both have rewarding moments.

By Kristi Horn



1. During study hall, Clint Schmidt (10) works diligently on his homework, while Mrs. Cheryl Baumgarten corrects her students' papers.

2. While helping a student plan his future, Mr. Laurel Thoreson explains the many different college programs.

3. Lending her help, Mrs. Ann Schellack, a social studies teacher, assists Jason Volk (10) with his history assignment.

4. Keeping busy during a school day, Mr. Michael Drew jots down a few notes while in a meeting.



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 Fred Fell, Social Studies  
 Jane Haro-LaMotte, English  
 Don Hulbert, Activities Director  
 Pam Kangas, Math  
 Karen Morrison, Band  
 Richard Olsberg, Science  
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 Michael Stratton, Phy. Ed.  
 Paul Tefft, Social Studies  
 Lynne Triplett-Benson, Interpreter  
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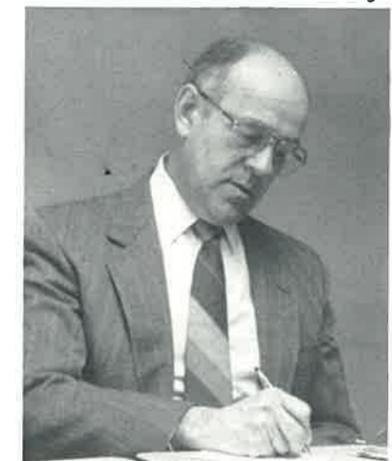
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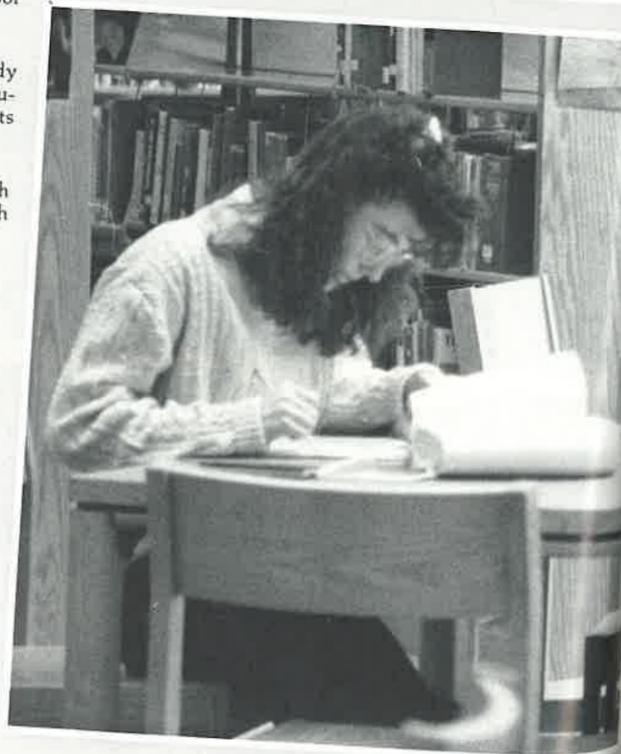
# Golden Moments of Seniors



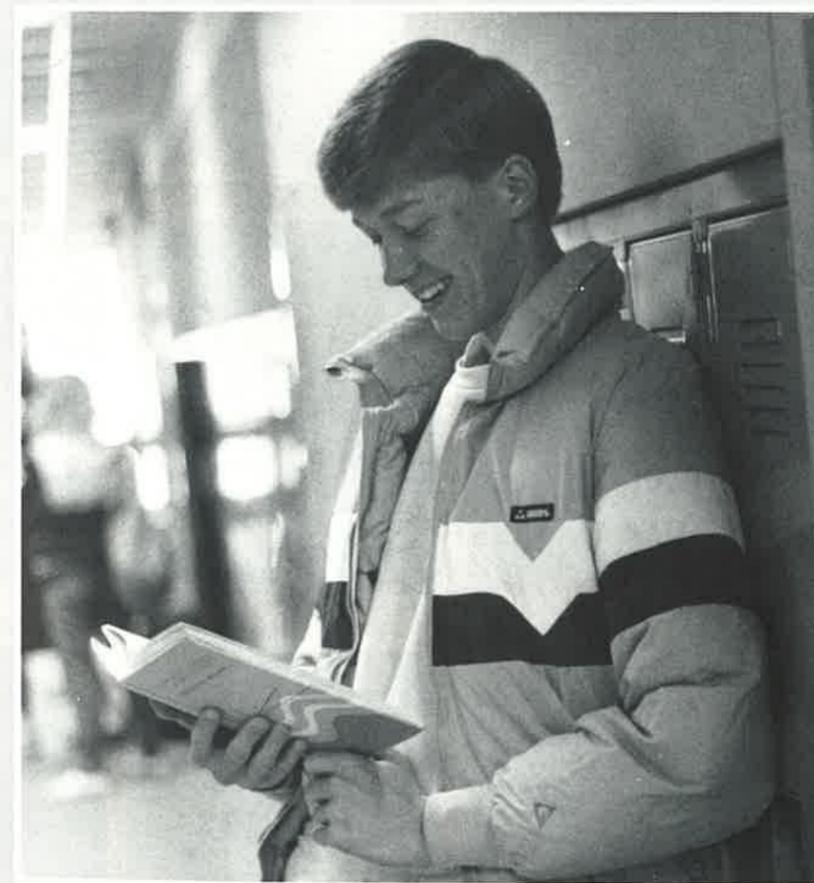
1. In her Art V class, Annmarie Esslinger (12) checks out her floor plans for her architectural project.



2. Seniors actually studying — or is it too late? During their study hall in the commons, Gerald Poitra, Todd Nankivel and Scott Schumacher make an attempt to do their homework before senioritis sets in.



3. During her senior year, Dawn Johnson carefully does the research necessary for her last major term paper assigned while in high school.



Taking it all in stride is the only way to go! Despite a busy schedule, with such classes as Spanish II and trigonometry, Mark Beiriger (12) takes time out to relax a bit, before starting another vigorous day in his senior year.

## Seniors' future plans change with years

"And what do you want to be when you grow up?" asks Aunt Gertrude in a sticky-sweet voice. This is perhaps the most often asked question for children. As a child, it is tolerable. Yet as the years go by, the question changes to "What are your plans for after high school, dear?" The young adult begins to dread the question because of its serious impact. The high school years are ones of change.



"During the years of high school, your goals and values are changing and you discover what talents you have to offer to society," said Eric Speicher (12).

Some students make a total turn around in a career choice because of grades.

Working hard to avoid getting another horrible D-, Steve Montplaisir (12) researches for his term paper.

"The 'D-' I received in accounting made me decide I was not cut out to be an accountant! Now I'm looking into teaching or becoming an interpreter for the hearing impaired," replied Steve Montplaisir (12).

Yes, the high school years are filled with change, yet they prepare the student for a world that is ever-changing.

By Julie Moffett



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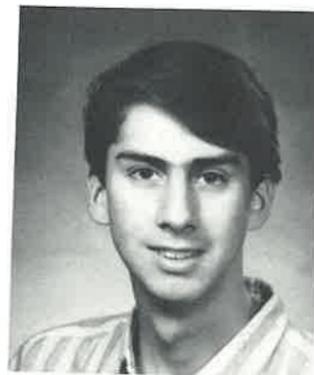
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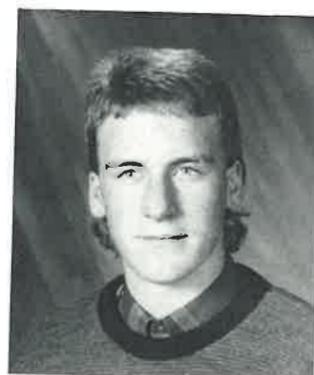
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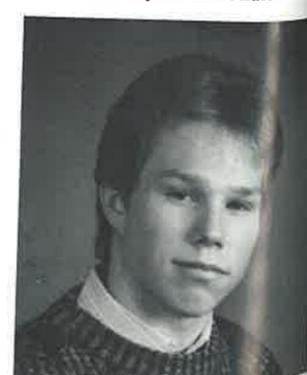
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### Students face challenge of college life

As seniors prepared for the challenge of going to college, they went through a variety of different events. Whether it was filling out applications or going to visit the college they were considering, some seniors were scared about all the decisions that the responsibility of college brings. This included what college they would attend, their major, and what they will be doing the rest of their lives.



Considering his many options for his future education, Terry Babb (12) consults with Mr. Thoreson, a school counselor.

"I will be scared to go to a new school because it decides the rest of my life and my whole future," stated David Schroeder (12).

When seniors were selecting a college, they thought about what it was going to be like.

"Everybody has jitters

about going on to college, especially if they are going to a large university. They are scared of not fitting in, getting lost on campus, going to the wrong room, or just maybe because they are far away from home,"

commented Roy Storsved (12).

College can symbolize different ideals for each individual such as maturing, responsibility and planning for the future.

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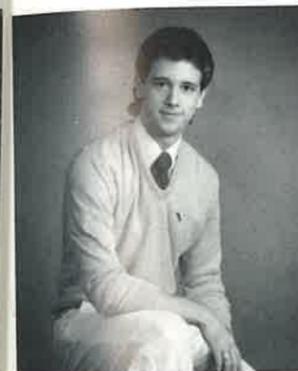
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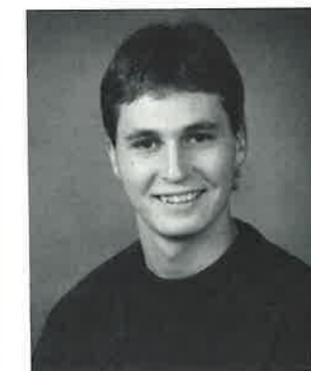
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## Mighty seniors fall to freshmen again

From the students with enough seniority to rule the school, back to the little freshmen, that's what lay ahead for the seniors of West Fargo High School when they go off to college.

"My freshman and senior years are the ones that I wish I could have skipped, due to all of the mischievous plans for humiliation on the seniors' part," commented T.J. LeMier (12).

That's the time for all of the seniors to play dirty tricks on the underclassmen. When lockers are slammed on the underclassmen unexpectedly, shoving large stacks of notebooks, folders and textbooks out of the arms of scrawny bookworms. On the other



"A freshmen again" Brian Fobes (12) along with the help of counselor Mrs. Toni Bach discuss plans for college and the future.

hand, there was also a time for all of these schemes to be paid back.

"To tell the truth, it's scary!" admitted Erin Dusek (12).

Upon entering college the seniors of yesterday

looked back on the golden moments at WFHS, and aren't looking forward to the initiation which lay ahead during the next year as they become freshmen once again.

By Jason Loney



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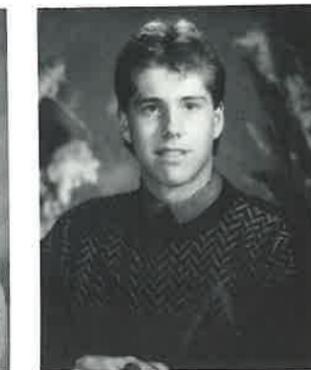
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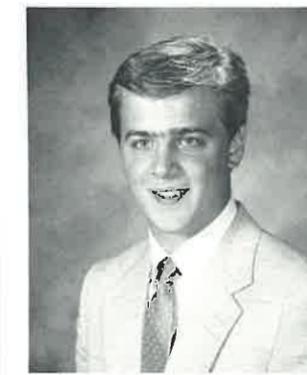
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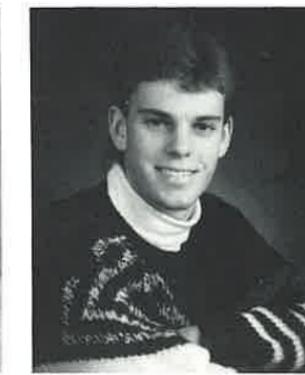
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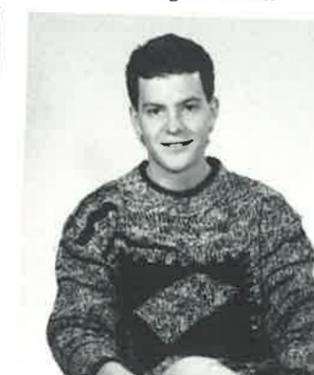
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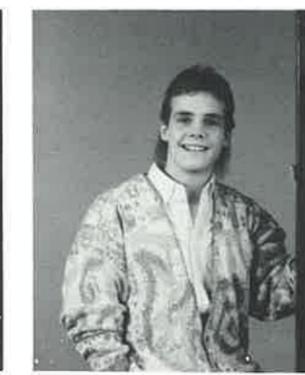
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### 'Senioritis' attacks worn-out seniors

It happened gradually — the symptoms at first were subtle and slow, skipping classes and not doing homework. These were just some of the indications of the disease. It seemed many seniors felt being a true senior meant one had to experience the great effects of "senioritis."



Eric Speicher (12) summed it all up by saying, "Who cares."

Some felt that it was an overpowering feeling that took over your mind and led to certain reactions that they ordinarily would not do.

Michelle Wymer (12) said, "It is a feeling when you cringe at the sight of Mr. Clark and don't even bother with homework any-

Instead of working on his research paper, Larry Geffre (12) reads the newspaper for entertainment.

more."

Many others considered 'senioritis' as a time dealing mostly with sluffing off and a loss of interest in school and school relations.

"A time when seniors start to blow off classes, begin-

ning with the second semester," said Eric Nilles (12).

This disease is thought to be deadly by those in authority, but then again, what do they know?

By Wayne LeMier

## Do seniors actually 'rule the school'?

Seniors, do they actually 'rule the school'? In the good-old-days underclassmen would run from the seniors just to escape from being shoved in a locker, or pushed to the back of the lunch line. Many felt that the underclassmen displayed no respect to the seniors.



Showing Scott Krabbenhoft (12) a little respect, Shane Tibiatowski (11) worships the ground Scott walks on.

"Even though the sophomores haven't been at this school for a year, they think they run the school," commented Meredith Meyer (12).

One senior felt that her fellow classmates were role models for the younger classes.

"I think the underclassmen look up to us. We are their role models, so they should respect us," stated Jennifer Anderson (12).

Some seniors felt that the sophomores needed to be taught how to respect the upperclassmen.

"The underclassmen have no respect for seniors, they need to be taught to respect their elders," explained

Melinda Weber (12).

From past generations to future generations seniors will always, in some way, 'rule the school'.

By Nancy Waggoner



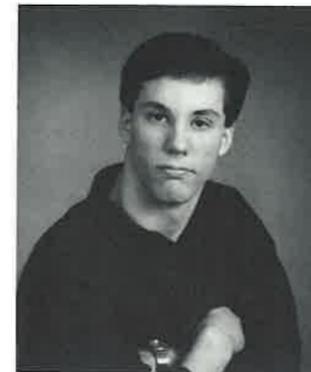
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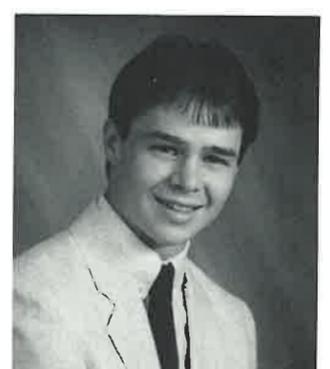
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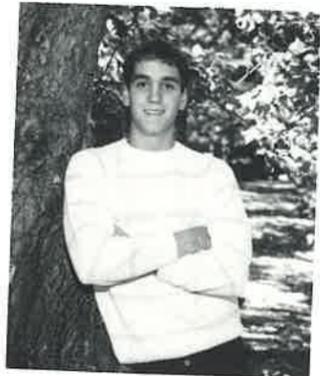
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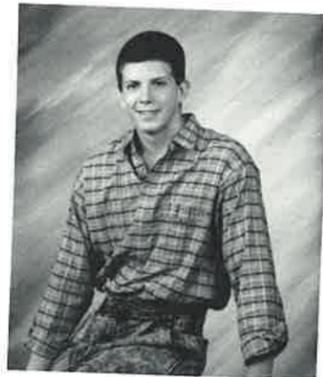
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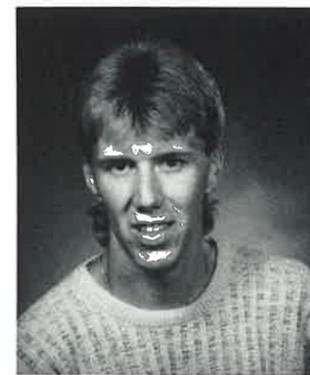
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### Seniors/responsibility go hand in hand

When the students finally became recognized as seniors, they felt that they deserved the same respect as they once gave. In addition to that respect, also came a huge responsibility, which included the task of guiding the underclassmen through the halls and year.

Many seniors felt that the underclassmen were not respectful enough towards them and took the fact that they are now in high school much too seriously.

"The underclassmen should show more respect to the seniors," stated T.J. LeMier (12).

There were contrasting



Fighting for the respect that he deserves, Tom Potter(12) puts Jay Braseth(10) in his place.

opinions and attitudes towards the underclassmen. While some would have liked to see more respect, there were others who viewed them as all right.

"They're o.k. as long as they stay away from me," commented Dawn

Akason (12).

Many of the seniors shared the same feelings towards the respect that the underclassmen 'owed' them. It simply wasn't enough to satisfy their hunger for power.

By Erin Dusek



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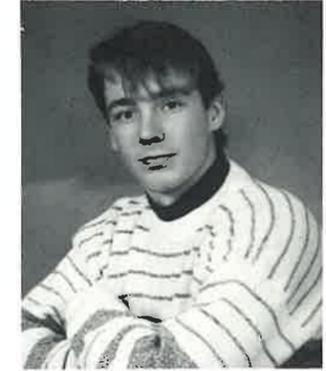
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### Seniors express feelings of seniority

Many students felt that 'seniority' was synonymous with 'power', especially over the sophomores and juniors. Some seniors became pushy and made the underclassmen do everything and anything for them.



Showing off her seniority, Dawn Johnson (12) takes a book that Paul Vigen (11) wants to read, so she can read it herself.

"I can rule over the little twerpy sophomores and juniors, and make them shine my shoes any time I want them to! But seriously, I've been waiting 18 years for this power vested in me and I love it," remarked Rob Dixon (12).

Although not all seniors felt this way, many were not looking forward to the end of school and would have liked their seniority to last forever.

"It's exciting and a lot of fun, but it is also scary because I know it is my last year at West Fargo High School," said Lisa Schumacher (12).

After high school many of the seniors were planning on attending a college or university, where

their seniority would have been a thing of the past.

"This year has gone fast and I am looking forward to college," commented Kim Henke.

By Laurie Anders



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David James Schroeder



Lisa Michelle Schumacher



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## Seniors' dreams may come true in future

Future plans hadn't been on the minds of seniors, until the question, "What will you be doing in twenty years?" was asked. Many thought that they would be married, have a family, and a good job.

"I'll be living in a condo on the West Coast raising a family while producing a large sum of money and trying to keep track of it," said Nancy Pulczynski (12).

Retiring was a goal for several of those whom expected a large sum of money at an early age.

"I will be retired and living off the vast amount of money I have earned," said Mark Beiriger (12).

On the other hand,



Studying a Parents magazine, Erin Dusek (12) gets a head start on her future plans.

some planned to go about their life in a leisurely sort of way.

"I will be lounging on the beach in the Bahamas, holding a tropical drink in my hand while retaining my deep, dark tan in my white bikini," stated Nellie Udem

(12).

Dreams about the future as of today are just dreams, but that shouldn't stop them from coming true if they are pursued with great desire.

By Beth Schwartz



Janeen Maria Slaughter



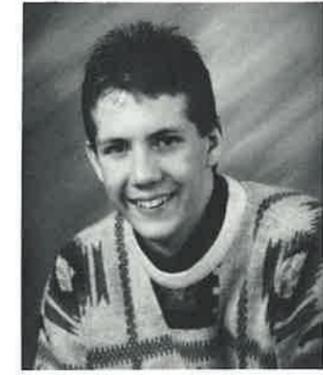
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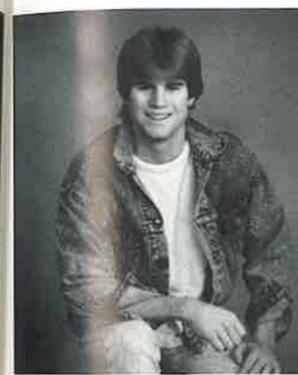
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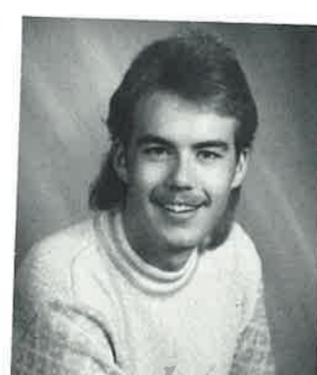
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An extremely embarrassed Jody Flicek (12) giggles after her fall ascending the stairs.

### *Embarrassing moments are a part of everyone's daily life*

Many students encounter moments when the urge to bury their heads under the cover of their Garfield tablet is overpowering. Some seniors relived these examples of excruciating humiliation.

First, Nancy Pulczynski revealed her horrifying story of when she was an eighth grader.

"I somehow got caught on the ledge of the chalkboard and it ripped my pants," she said.

The next event caused a literal reddening of the cheeks.

"The most embarrassing moment of high school was during my sophomore year when we were in the guys' locker room, and the girls' gym class walked through on their way back

from the aerobics room. Some guys were standing around in only their towels," whispered Chad Anderson (12).

The most popular awkward moment for most of the senior class happened when they were freshmen.

"I was really embarrassed during my freshman year when I fell up the steps," exclaimed Jody Flicek (12).

Not all moments happened during the freshman year, however.

"It happened when I was standing at my locker my junior year. A guy came up and said, 'Do those sweat-pants have a waistband on them?' I said, 'No!' so he pulled them all the way down to my ankles right in the middle of the hall," admitted Mary Sinner (12).

Some embarrassments were caused by a teacher's will to get back at an erring student.

"During my junior year I left art to supposedly go to the bathroom. I was gone for about twenty-five minutes and came back to find Mr. Anderson had locked the door. I stood in the hallway for five minutes until he finally let me back in. That was really embarrassing," commented Kristy Kellerman (12).

Some totally memorable moments have happened to people while they were at work.

"Two years ago I was bussing a table at the Doublewood. The only two people in the whole restaurant were the owner and his wife. I set the tub on a

table part-way and it fell off. I caught the tub, but the food slid off the plate and went all over the floor. It was awful!" exclaimed Darin Raftevold (12).

A scary but embarrassing moment happened to a group of girls while they were in a foreign country.

"When I went on the France trip, Mrs. Neugebauer explained to us how to ride the Metro. We thought we were cool and could make it all right but we almost ended up taking the train to the suburbs by mistake," admitted Julie Foltz (12).

Embarrassing they were, but such moments are part of high school, too.

By Wendy Heinz

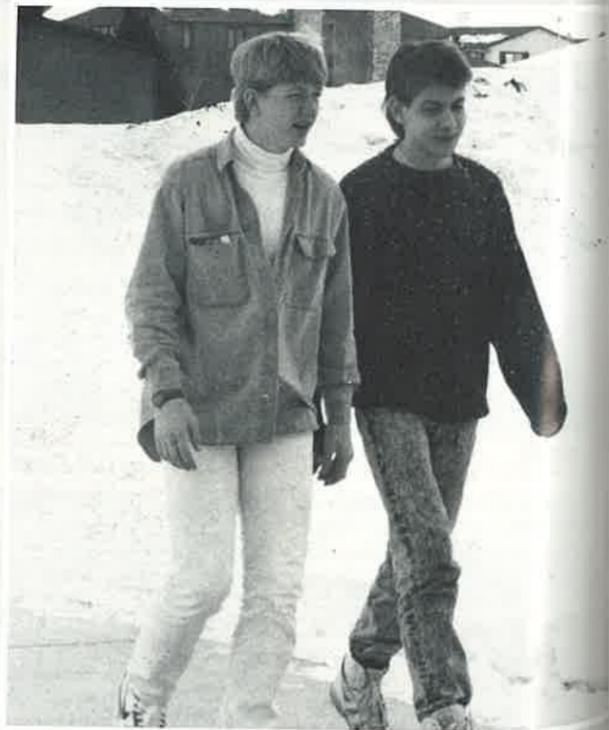
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1. While taking her turn working in the Packer Connection, Barb Allrich (11) utilizes the opportunity to finish her homework.

2. Working hard or hardly working? During study hall, Kaci Fordyce (10) and Arlene Vik (10) spend their free time relaxing and talking in the commons, rather than working hard on their homework.

3. As the weather changes to a warming trend, Jay Brasseth (10) and Jim Bachman (10) take a walk outside without their jackets during lunch.



# *Golden Moments* of *Underclassmen*



During a chemistry class, Michele Willman (11) carefully calculates the answers to the assigned problems. "I took chemistry because I am going on to college and I wanted to have a background in the sciences. At this point I don't know what field I am going into," said Michele.

## Juniors express hopes, goals for memorable senior year

Juniors have many things to look forward to in their senior year. Most juniors are looking forward to just having a good time, but don't want to blow their GPA's.

"I want to have fun but I still want to get good grades so I can graduate," said Marita Hoffart (11).

Some juniors are also looking forward to doing well in extracurricular activities such as clubs and sports.

"I want to make it to state for girl's basketball," said Robin Mullenberg (11).

However, some juniors are looking

forward to graduating.

"I am looking forward to it because it will be my last year of school," said Jami Eckhoff (11).

Some juniors just want their diploma.

"I am looking forward to walking down the aisle to receive my diploma," said Brooke Storrusten (11).

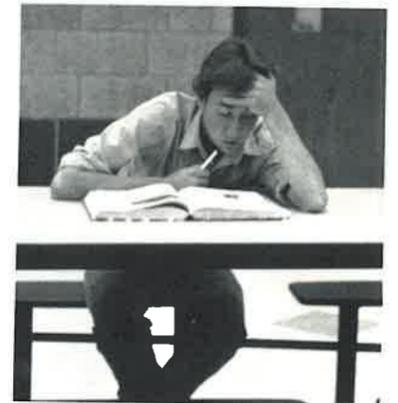
By Beth Schwartz

Showing her anticipation for graduation, Jodi Worrel (11) eagerly tries on a former graduate's gown.



Seniority rules at West Fargo High as Shannon Dahl (12) pushes Kelly Gullickson (11) around.

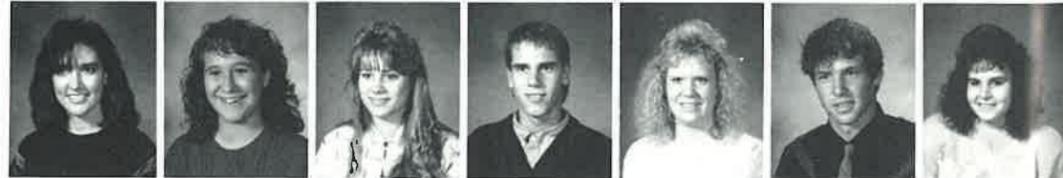
Studying in the commons doesn't come easy, but James Olheiser (11) shows that it can be done.



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Floyd Anderson



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Jessica Baker  
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Lance Belisle  
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Robin Mullenberg  
Nicole Muncy  
Kevin Murch  
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## Without hair we'd be bare: Stylish hair is everywhere

Hair fashions are becoming more and more popular as time goes on. New styles have been popping up all over.

The "rotini twist", a spiral perm, is one of the latest styles for girls. "I think they're cute and if they're styled right, they can really improve a person's image," commented Dawn Rosenkranz (11).

Coloring, french braiding, and pony tails are a few other fashions.

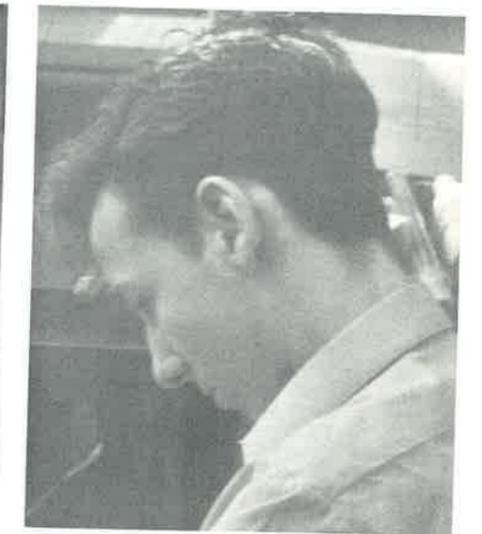
Another style, not quite as popular, is the "mohawk". Guys or girls can wear this hairdo. One particular student, Jocelyn Henderson (11), explains why she got a mohawk. "I like it. It stands out (and up!)," she said.

A popular male hair fashion is the "ducktail". Dave Van Engelenhoven (11) commented, "I'm making a statement of the rebellious attitudes of children of the 1980s."

As the years go by, hairstyles will change once again. Who knows? By the year 2000, four out five people may have mohawks, ducktails, or some other outrageous hairdo.

By Angie Amundson

"How much hair spray did that take, anyway?" Not one to blend into the crowd, Jocelyn Henderson (11) makes a statement with her hair.



Not every guy goes for the "scrub-brush effect." With his New-Wave look, Jason Malusky (10) stands out in the lunch line.

The asymmetrical look remains popular with some students such as Robert Darrah (10).

# Bye, Bye Cash

Junior expenses are no small problem. Money can go faster than any student could imagine.

The major expense juniors face is prom. The cost of the tuxedo and formal gown alone could break some people's bank accounts, and this doesn't include dinner or post prom, which can run the tab up even more.

The total cost of prom can run the average person anywhere from \$120 to \$250. This may seem like a lot of money and it is, but it is the price to pay for the golden moments in the junior year.

By Wayne LeMier

One popular place to spend that hard-earned cash is the Packer Connection. Jesse Schmidt (11) trades cash for candy with Bucky Milton (11).



Taking time out from their busy schedules, Jamie Lund (11) and Kelly Baasch (11) get a can of fruit juice.

Working hard in the Packer Connection, Tonya Hoag (11) takes a break to joke around with Sandie Johnson (11).

Money may not buy love, but it can certainly buy a cheeseburger. Cheryl Ratajczak (11) enjoys a quick Hardees snack.

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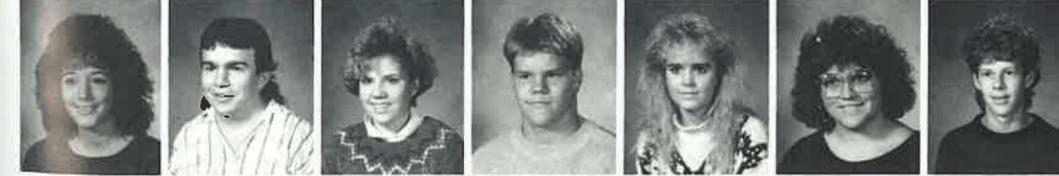
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Jodi Worrel  
Shelly Ziegler  
Wendy Ziemer

*Please, Lordy, not the 1940 rusty beast machine*  
**When do I get the car of my dreams?**

The scene takes place on a piercingly cold morning, and the wind is blowing ever so briskly. John Henry, a junior in high school, climbs into his rusted out, 1973 Pinto, protecting him from the twenty-eight below zero windchill. As he turns the key, he realizes that his 152 two cylinder engine is also rusted out, and his trusty machine will not be chaffuering him to school on this extremely chilly morning. John now has to walk this long journey, and fast. Half-way to his destination, his best friend pulls up to the curb. The numbness has set in, and John can no longer feel his body. As he climbs into the car, he wonders why his car never starts.

Although the typical high school junker is no Porsche, students have dreams of owning that perfect car.

"My vehicle of the future is going to be a hot pink Winnebago, with a mammoth Alpine stereo system (compact disc included), big screen television, VCR and a waterbed. It's going to have black tinted windows and named the Party Machine!" said Dave Dalke (11).

Realizing she locked her keys in the car, Michelle Jacobson (11) desperately tries to open the door.

Dave is not the only student with high hopes for the future.

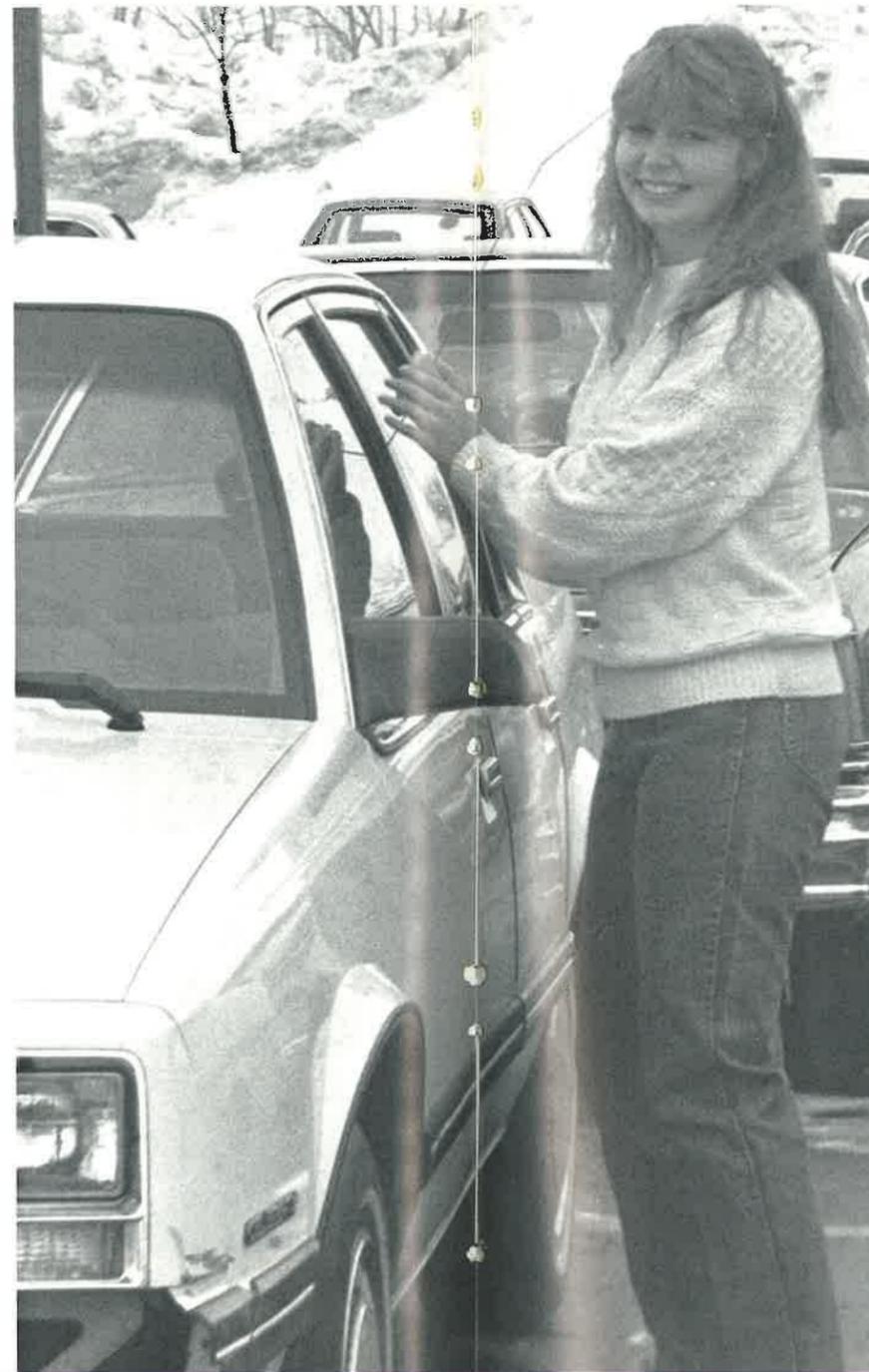
"My dream car is a green Lambourghini with pin stripes on the back, shiney mag wheels, and black tinted windows," said Rochelle Vetsch (11).

Everyone wants to have a really hot car. Whether it is an old car renovated to the finest quality, or a brand new muscle car, the vehicle must be fast and beautiful.

One of the biggest scares with the car is getting pulled over. Lots of thoughts go running through a person's mind at the sight of flashing red lights, especially behind your car.

"What are Mom and Dad going to say? My license will be gone forever. I will be grounded for years!" said an anonymous junior.

Actually, there is only one sure way to keep that dream car. Drive safely and the car will be around forever.  
By Jason Loney



With a smile of pride, Robin Mullenberg (11) prepares to jump into her car and hit the road.



Even seniors forget to take the keys out of the ignition, sometimes. Larry Geffre (12) proved that underclassmen aren't the only ones to forget.

1 "Not another speech!" As a junior in English III, John Hahn (11) prepares to give another oratory in front of the class.

2. Studying patiently in the library, Jody Flicek (12) watches Wanda Jenner (11) hard at work on her homework.



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1. Sandwiched between Wendy Heinz (12) and Tara Aarestad (12), Paul Vigen (11) attempts to study for his difficult junior classes.

2. Demonstrating how juniors enjoy their nutritious sandwiches, Jennifer King (11) and Debbie Nantt (11) eat lunch in the commons.



*Sophs meet new experiences in first year of high school*

*Seniors look ahead to college, careers, new opportunities*

## *Juniors face "sandwich syndrome"*

High school has survived many comparisons, some fair, some harsh and some questionable until they are explained. Such is the comparison to a common sandwich, or the "sandwich syndrome". A sandwich may seem totally unrelated, but it has three layers and high school has three grades. Unfortunately, the junior class was the grade that was stuck in the middle.

The sophomores were the babies, new to high school and its ways. Everything from classes to extracurricular activities brought new experiences. Just walking the halls with all those upperclassmen could have been a novelty.

The seniors had "done their time" and were looking ahead to college, a career, or just freedom from high school life. Opportunities were available to them that the sophomores and juniors missed out on. They had the option of taking an easy load or juggling a heavy class schedule.

The juniors seemed to have a disadvantage being in the middle.

"You're not the youngest anymore!" exclaimed Marianne Thomte (11).

The high school was no longer a novelty as it was for the sophs. The juniors looked ahead and instead of seeing a new life, spied only another year of high school. Class options were more limited during the junior year. Juniors were not allowed open campus like the seniors.

John Crandall (11) spoke out on the difficulty of junior classes. "I think they're a lot harder than sophomores' classes, and you can take 'blow-off' classes your senior year."

Now, let's take another look at that sandwich: bread-peanut butter and bananas-bread; bread-cheese and balogna-bread; bread-pickles and mayonnaise-bread. Wait a minute!

The inside is the substance of the whole sandwich, and the junior class was right in the middle. Instead of missing out on the advantages the seniors and sophomores had, they had the best of both worlds.

Angie Amundson (11) summed up her view of the position of the junior class. "The advantage is that I'm not a sophomore. The disadvantage is that I'm not a senior."

The juniors were familiar with the high school and how it operated, but the routine was not yet old and tiresome.

The junior year had its ups and downs, but if the "sandwich syndrome" is taken into consideration, it really doesn't look so bad. Unfortunately, most everyone can only be a junior once, so as seniors, the class of 1990 will have to consider the comparison of ... a pizza, the goof stuff is on the top, right?

By Michele Willman

Sandwich Syndrome-59

## Embarrassed sophomores relive shock of first car accident

Tires squeal. The car spins out of control. A scream cuts through the night, and everything goes black.

Okay, so maybe not all car accidents are that bad. Nevertheless, no matter how minor a first car accident is, it seems that bad, or worse. Usually, after the shakes and shivers wear off, the minor accident becomes a heroic act of bravery and courage, committed in the name of humanity.

Some students, however, are so embarrassed about the fact that they actually made a mistake,

they didn't want their full names used.

"I was leaving a friend's house, and when I was backing out of the driveway, I bumped something which I thought was a curb. When I looked in the rearview mirror, I realized it was actually a mailbox. The only damage was a scratch in my car and a fallen mailbox," stated BJS (10)

One never knows, Accident #2 could be just around the corner

By Julie Moffett



"Something old, something new, something borrowed, something BLUE!"- Ericka Harrold (10) got this hand-me-down from her brother.



Even with its camouflaged exterior, Jamie Turner's (12) colorful little rabbit was unable to hide from an accident.

"I don't care what it looks like just so long as it runs!" Although old "BQF 556" is not the grandest car, at least it gets its owner to school each day.



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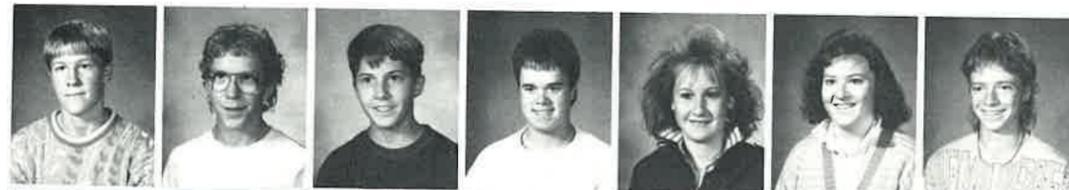


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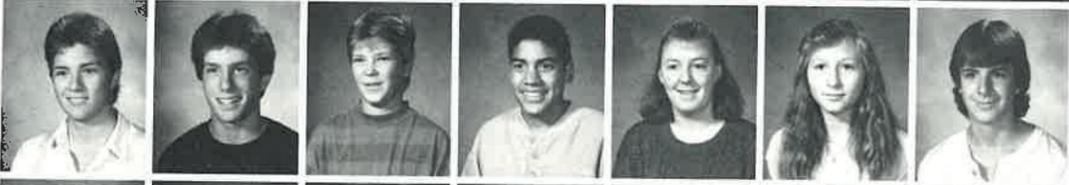
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*Changing times, conditions keep underclassmen*

## **ALWAYS ON THEIR TOES!**

Even though the times and conditions in which the underclass students' treatment by the upperclassmen have changed, they still don't get the recognition they strive to have.

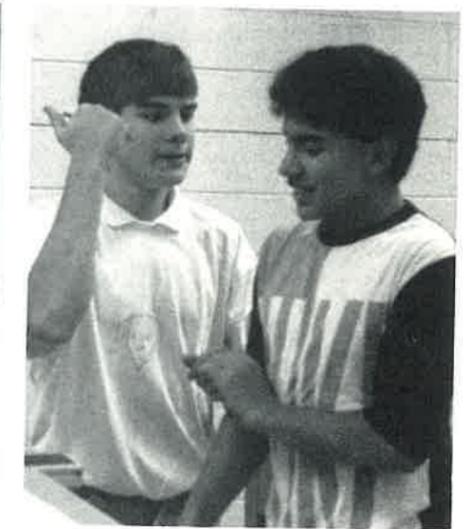
Years ago, freshmen worried about the first day in high school, receiving "swirlies", getting shoved into a locker, or having "initiation" in homeroom by the big six-foot-four senior.

Marni Zimney (12) had some "terrible" stories to tell about her freshman year.

"On cross-country trips the upperclassmen would wrap my hair in tape. One time they even squirted chocolate on my white pants and said it was my initiation. I think we pick on the underclassmen to let them know they have to act more grown up, now that they're in high school. We need to keep them on their toes."

Let's face it, even though the times have changed, seniority will always rule, leaving underclassmen with the raw end of the deal. But then again, someday they, too, will be seniors.

"When a senior talks, people listen." In the commons Tami Wellman (12) tries to capture Chasity Morrow's (11) attention.



Not only are sophomores picked on by seniors but on each other too. John Vining (10) finds time to pick on classmate Roland Jeanotte (10).

"Your money or your life!" Many sophomores, such as Travis Paeper (10), have to put up with the unwanted attention of seniors such as Terry Babb (12) and Brian Henning (12).

# Freshmen prison-not forgotten

After all those years of being imprisoned in reaking, crowded cafeterias, not even having the slightest choice of what they were about to consume, they wondered if they could ever escape.

Flinging food was, with some students, a popular sport during those good old freshmen days.

"One time I tried aiming mashed potatoes at the bleachers, but instead they splatted on the floor. The next thing I knew Faith Fraase slipped on my creation and kissed the ground!" exclaimed Tammy Johnson (10).

Some will remember sneaking out during lunch, and unfortunately, getting caught.

"I had to sit by the teachers' table during my lunch period so they could babysit me for a whole month," stated

Krista Novotny (10).

Many students were unsatisfied with the school's lunch for several reasons.

"I hated the way they slopped the food on the trays while wearing those plastic gloves (not even wanting to touch it themselves). It wasn't worth \$.90 to eat that so-called food, anyway," remarked Darcy Braaten (10).

Some students felt trapped by the closed campus.

"It was unfair that as a freshman, we couldn't leave for lunch," commented Kelly Trieb (10).

After reaching our destination of the high school, we now have to worry about returning late. Students may wonder if this will ever end.

By Cindy Kowalke



"You can't eat your lunch and study too." Balancing books and purse in one hand, Katie Nudell (10) grabs some change for lunch.



Taking time out for lunch, Becky Swartz (10), Downey Serumgard (10) and Jennifer Zimprich (10) grab a bite to eat at Hardee's.

After receiving their pizza, Shawn Heller (10) and Troy Loberg (10) move into the Little Debbie section of the lunch line.

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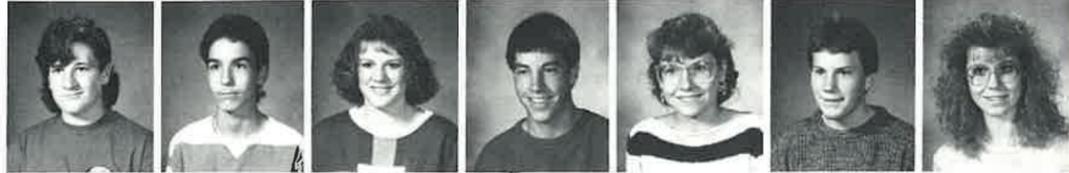
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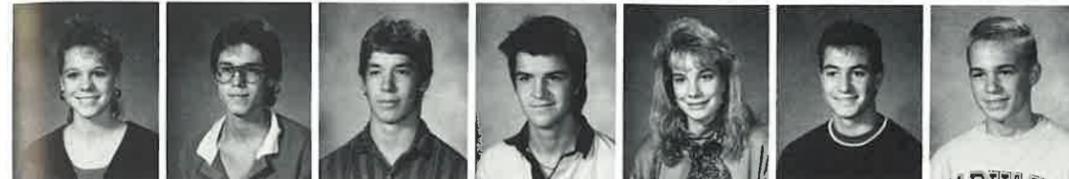
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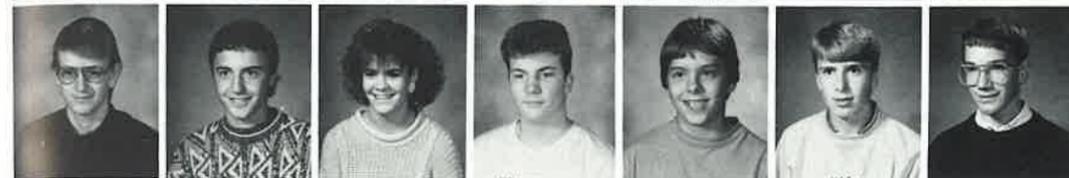
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*Putting our pride,  
confidence on the line:  
'ask us out!'*

Ever since we were little kids, going on a date has seemed like "the greatest thing". Now our time has finally come and it's the 80's, but some people still think that a guy should do the asking.

"The guy should ask the girl out because if the girl asks the guy he might be scared off," commented Mindy Grant (10) and Sheila Zerr (10).

Liberated as women are today, some feel that girls shouldn't be scared to ask the guy out. Guys put their pride on the line every time they ask a girl out, why shouldn't girls do the same? Fran Vetsch said she would rather ask the guy out, for then she can choose where to go.

Following in our brother's/sister's footsteps or making our own tracks may be harder than it seemed at first.

By Gina Grueneich



Like many young couples, Kristi Brager (10) and Jason Wells (10) aren't afraid to show their affection during school hours in the hallway.



"Nothing serious, folks." Like many teenagers, Kristen Grande (10) and Ryan Torgrimson (10) spend time with several individuals rather than one particular "significant other."

Taking time out from class Bryan Walker (10) asks Cindy Kowalke (10) out for Saturday night.

Taking a moment between classes, Jason Justesen (12) and Wendy Schock (11) find a spot to share how their day has gone.

1. "What are you looking at?" Brian Pearson (12) teases Steven Mack (10) who stands up to him like a typical sophomore.
2. This dude's got it all together! Matt Lubben (10) struts his stuff as he takes sophomore year all in stride.



*Except for just a few minor incidents  
1988-89 Sophomores have got it all together*

## *Embarrassing moments rare*

Yeah, yeah, you've heard it all before. The oh-so-old story of sophomores who roam the halls aimlessly, with a look of complete bewilderment, searching for rooms which appear to have vanished over the summer. The juniors and seniors merely have to look at a sophomore and the underclassman not only trembles, but breaks out in a cold sweat and shakes enough to cause the floor to rumble more than the entire football team could.

However, this year, the typical sophomore is much more "together." Gone are the days of the dumb-founded sophomore, overwhelmed by the "big" building, and new faces. Gone also are the days of asking every other person who looks like they know what they are doing for help. This year's sophomore has got it.

"We've had to set an example for the past two years, and be on our best behavior. We're used to taking charge of ourselves so we can help out younger kids. This year, out of habit, we just got it together on our own," explains Jenny Zimprich (10).

Admittedly, a few sophomores did have some minor mishaps. But no one's perfect. And as we all know, before one can officially be considered a full-fledged, honest-to-god, stumbling, bumbling sophomore, one must be initiated to the world of the picked-on. This initiation usually takes the form of one of those all-too-common, always-feared — **EMBARRASSING MOMENTS!** One student knows the act of initiation all too well.

"I was walking up the main stairs, and I had my

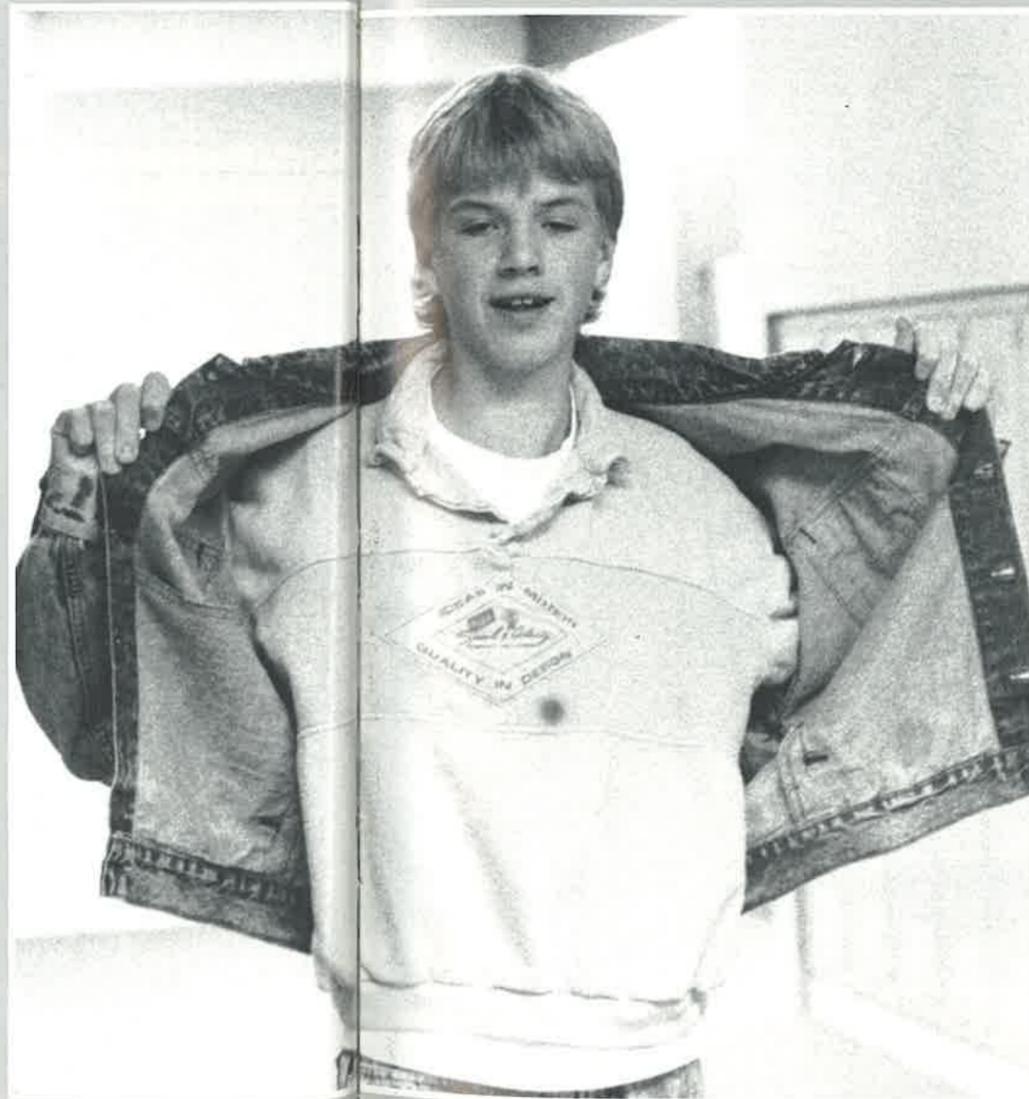
cheerleading skirt on, when I wiped out. I couldn't believe it! I just fell up the stairs." laughed Darcy Braaten (10).

"That took talent," smirked her friend, Mindi Zimney (10).

"It was during a study hall, and everyone was laughing at me. It was so embarrassing!" Darcy added.

One thing to keep in mind, however, is that the year eventually ends. These sophomores will become juniors, and join the ranks of the survivors (we hope!). Will next year's sophomores be seen roaming aimlessly, looking lost and bewildered, dreading that first encounter with an upperclassman? Tune in next year, for the continuation of the saga of the stumbling sophomores.

By Julie Moffett



1. Hard at work on those long, grueling homework assignments, Curt Yanish (10) gives his brain cells a workout in study hall.
2. All work and no play gets a teacher to smile and earns you an "A". Amy Taveirne (10) and Paula Johnson (10) find that studying isn't half as bad with friends, especially in the commons.



1. Fibonacci Numbers and Continual Fractions? Exponential and Logarithmic Functions? This is Greek to some people, but there are many students who choose to brave the math classes. "The reason why I took a math class was to prepare myself for college and for when I become an adult. Also, my parents said so!" stated LeAnn Fonder (11).

2. A new card game that Roberta Maley (12) taught this child was just one of the many things that was taught to the children who attended the preschool at the West Fargo High School. Another important concept some of the children learned was that learning can be fun.

3. Is it done yet? Derrick Gothberg (12) studies his chemistry lab to make sure everything is happening as planned in order to end up with accurate results.



# *Golden Moments* of

## *Academics*



Easy as pie! As they follow the last of the instructions in making their heart-shaped cookies for Valentine's Day, Wanda Mitzel (12) and Trevor Birch (12) realize that cooking is easier than they had imagined.



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1. During a geometry lesson, Mrs. Pam Offerdahl patiently explains to her class about how to find the equation of an ellipse.
2. Smiling at the thought of being almost done with his homework, Jeff Schmidt (10) quickly finishes his math.



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*MATHEMATICS—It's not just used in the classroom anymore*

## *Exams, track meets prove beneficial*

Students are finding out that math is used in places other than the classroom. They are learning that they can benefit from their math skills, and sometimes they can even win awards. Math exams and math track meets are being held all over to help students realize this.

On Tuesday Feb. 28, 1989 the 40th annual American High School Math Exam was given to students across the country.

The test contained 30 questions which must be completed in 90 minutes.

With this test, both teachers and students felt the National Math Exam (NME) and the Math Track Meet (MTM) were beneficial.

Pam Kangas commented, "Some students find a challenging question and will use their reasoning skills to lead to an answer. These tests also help prepare math students for other math placement tests they will take for college. The MTM teaches group planning and work skills."

Jana Baumann (11) also felt these tests were benefi-

cial.

"I learned what I didn't know and what I still need to learn," said Jana.

Awards were given to students who received high scores. Those who received scores of 100 or more were invited to take part in the American Invitational Math Exam on March 21, 1989.

Along with the NME, the MTM is another activity for math students to compete in. This event was held in March.

In this activity two tests were given. Each team took a team test first and then an individual test was given. Awards were presented to the top three teams and top ten individuals.

After these types of exams, students may realize that math is more than just adding and subtracting.

By Angie Amundson



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1. While teaching an Algebra I class, Mrs. Pam Kangas points out the correct answers on a worksheet.
2. Resisting the urge to talk, Ericka Harrold (10) forces herself to complete her sometimes mind-boggling geometry.
3. With her book open to the day's assignment, Lisa Kitzen (10) scrambles to find her homework, ignoring her neighbor's yawn.

Enough to keep students home with serious "term"inal illness

## Term papers—how scary are they?

Many describe term papers as one of the the scariest homework assignments a student can face. The reason why they call them term papers is obvious. When it is time for a student to turn one in, he suddenly becomes stricken by a "term"inal illness, especially when the oral report is due.

"They take up a lot of my time and I think there should be more points placed on the report itself than on the oral presentation," said Jessica Tufte (10).

There were others that agreed with Jessica.

"I think term papers can be educational but I find that oral reports are a waste of time. Half of those listening don't even care," said Canda Ellingson (11).

There are several different types of term papers students encounter throughout high school. The major paper done during the sophomore year is for biology and a science related topic is required. The topics range from "why does the sun give off heat?" to "what is the chemical formula of Mountain Dew and how does one wage chemical warfare with the

ingredients?

The informative and persuasive English papers and speeches confront students during their junior year. Less limiting than the biology paper, topics for these can be anything from "the history if the Olympics" to "what type of vehicles best survive head-on collisions with trees?"

When the time comes to begin the senior paper, there is both good and bad news. The good news is that it is the last paper to be assigned during high school; however, the bad news is that the paper is by far the largest paper assigned during high school and is very time-consuming.

By the time a student graduates — if he makes it through all the research papers — he has a solid background in research and is ready for almost anything.

Despite the moaning and groaning, students can be happy for one reason — everybody else has to do it, too. After all, "no pain, no gain."

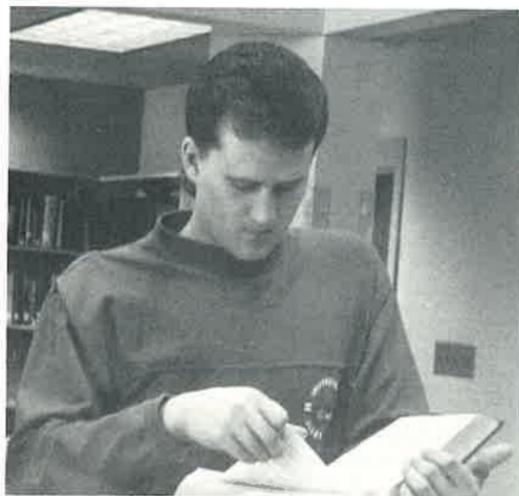
By Wayne Lemier



1. Many students have a tough time doing speeches and term papers, and this makes it almost unimaginable for them to think about doing one in a foreign language. However, Paivi Aho-Pynttari (11), from Finland, had the chance to do just this while she was a foreign exchange student at WFHS during her senior year.

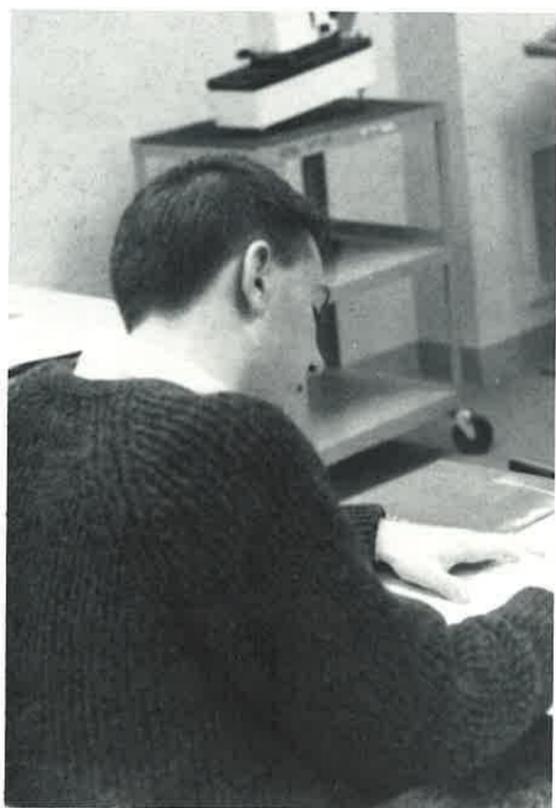
2. Although it is not required for other term papers, the senior english paper must be typed. Lee Dobrinz (12) begins typing his paper in the computer room. Upon completion, the paper should be five to seven typed pages.

3. Trying not to overwork himself, Karl Hammerstrom (12) decides to put off working on his research paper until another day.



1. A key process in writing a term paper is doing concise research, which is a very time-consuming project. Darren Holaday (12) begins his research one afternoon, while making use of the wide selection of information in the library.

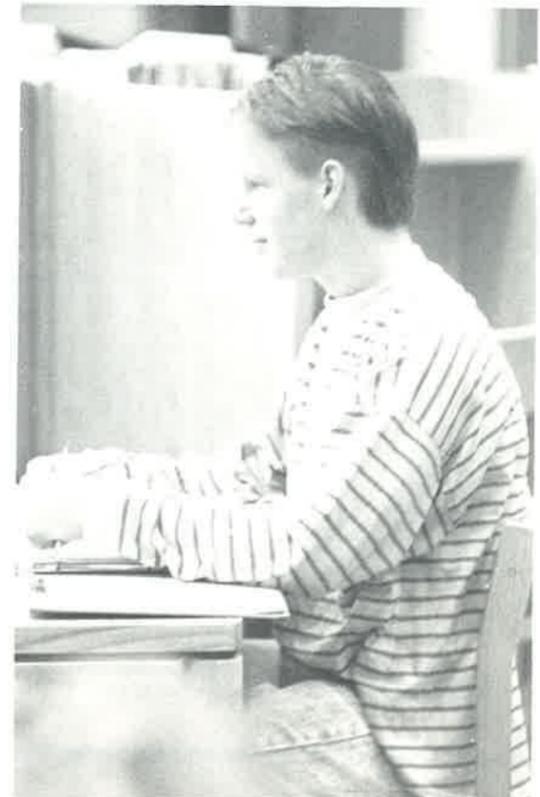
2. During the class time allotted, Chris Helmick (11) utilizes the opportunity to start his English paper, which places a strong emphasis on the oral presentation.



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*Please pass the large glass beaker of hydrochloric acid*  
**No, do not give him the matches also!**

Walking into science class, the science teacher announces that instead of a very tiresome day of taking notes, there was going to be a surprise! Yes, the students were going to have the time of their lives being the best young scientists they could be. Although some people may have jumped at the chance to do these labs, others just couldn't grasp the purpose of these activities.

"We had to dissect a pig. I thought the labs were the time of the day when students got the opportunity to hack away brutally at a pig, and I really didn't understand why!" said Dave Van Engenhoven (11).

Although for many students the labs provided hands on training in the subjects they were studying, others used the opportunity for socializing.

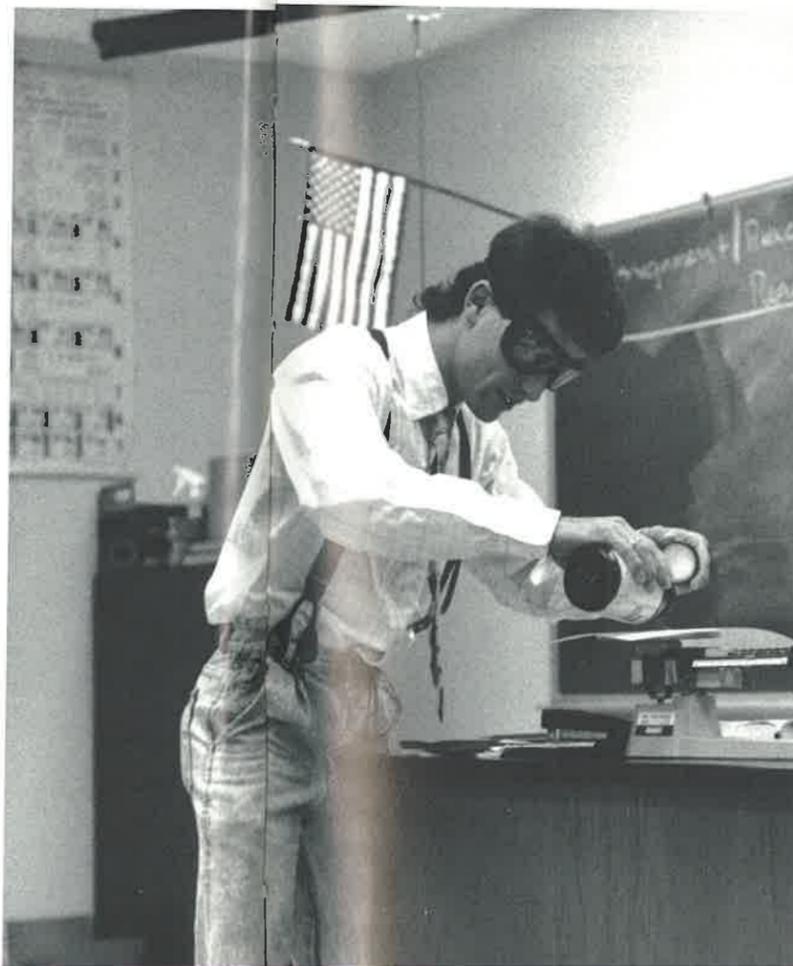
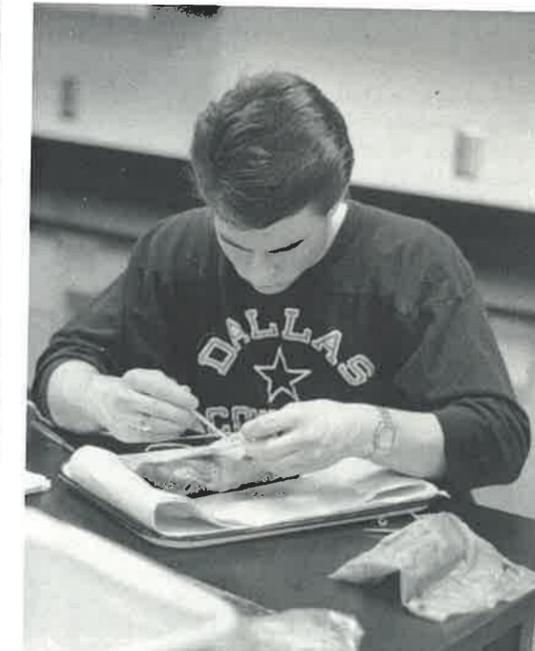
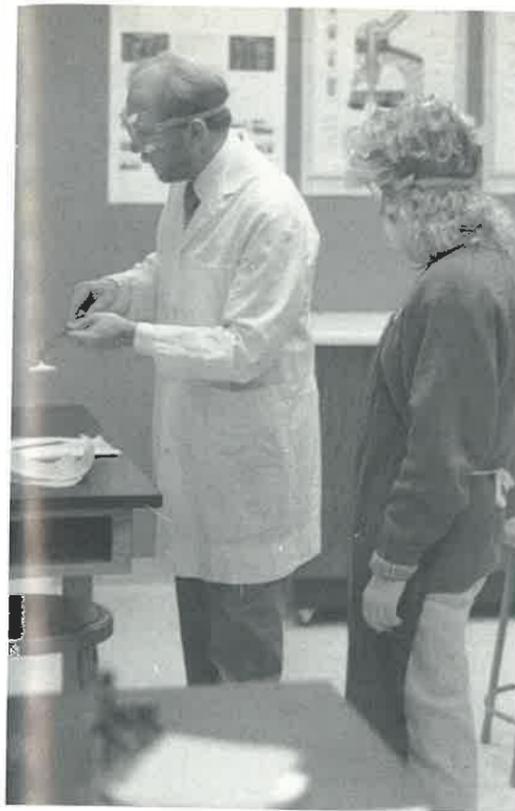
"Well, I felt that the labs were basic and simple. Although they were simple, they were fun

activities to work on," said Bruce Brubaker (11).

The science departments had many fun and educational laboratories for the students of these classes to take part in. The physics classes were working on laboratories pertaining to everything from electricity to the subject of motion. The anatomy classes were very busy dissecting pigs, while the biology classes were dissecting worms and frogs. In the chemistry classes, the students were exploring the wide world of atoms, molecules, compounds, and many other structures that make up this complex world.

"I thought that the labs were really neat," said Jessica Baker (11). "I got a total kick out of them!"

Although many times the labs may have seemed trivial, for the bored person, labs may have been just what the doctor ordered.  
 By Jason Loney



1. During a biology class, Mr. Richard Swanson explains the lab procedure to Mindy Grant (10) and Angie Sedevie.  
 2. Sporting his fashionable safety goggles, Mr. Dave Dobberpuhl, a student teacher for the science department, demonstrates one of the many experiments.

1. Too hot to handle! Mr. Jerry Christiansen carefully removes the cover of the heated crucible while Alicia Cheney (11) looks on.  
 2. During an anatomy class, Joe Illich (12) learns the wonders of the pig's muscular system.  
 3. Mr. Richard Swanson explains the lab procedure to Mindy Grant (10) and Angie Sedevie (10) during a biology class.