The background of the cover is a dark, textured surface. In the center, there is a large, stylized 'V' shape formed by multiple parallel lines. Within and around this 'V', there are faint, embossed or etched figures of people in various dynamic poses, suggesting movement and activity. The overall aesthetic is that of a classic yearbook cover.

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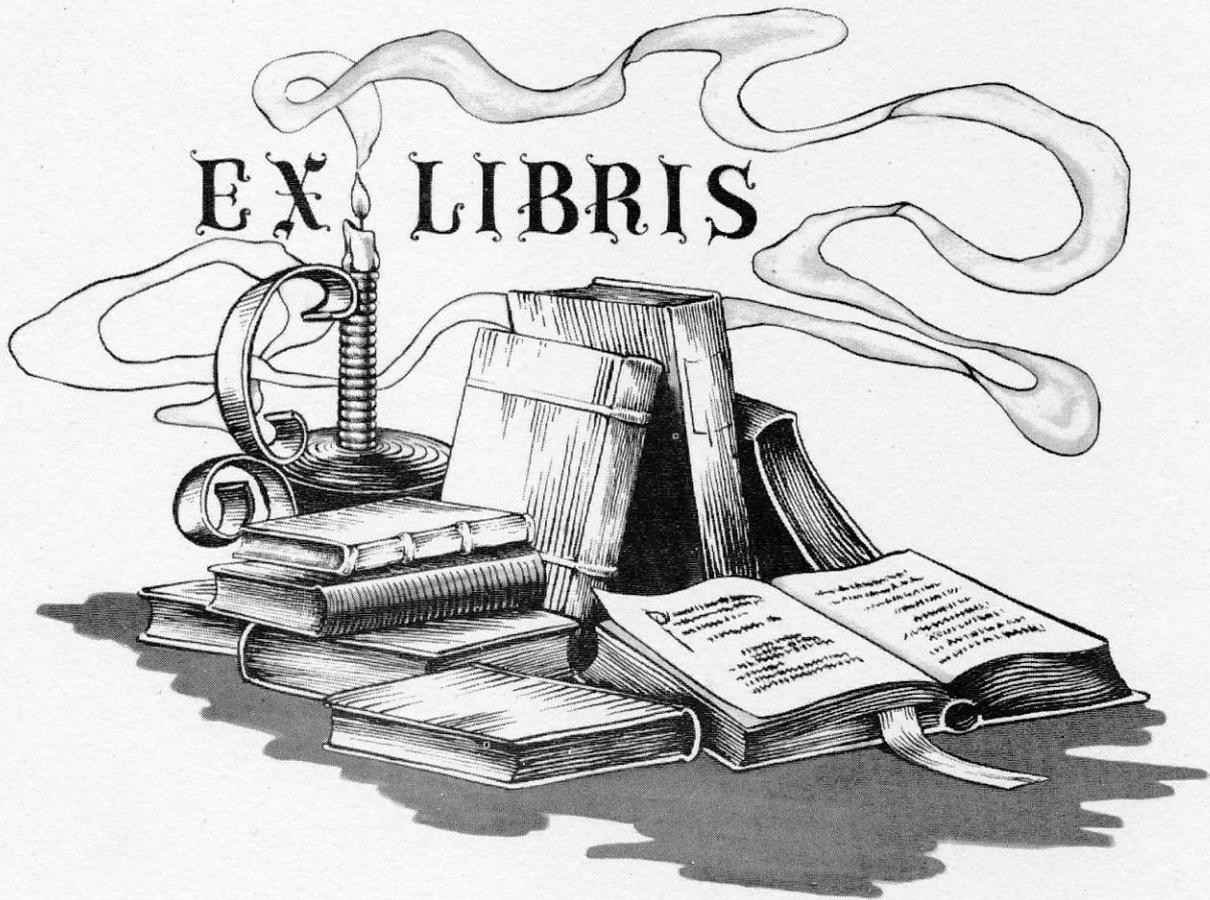
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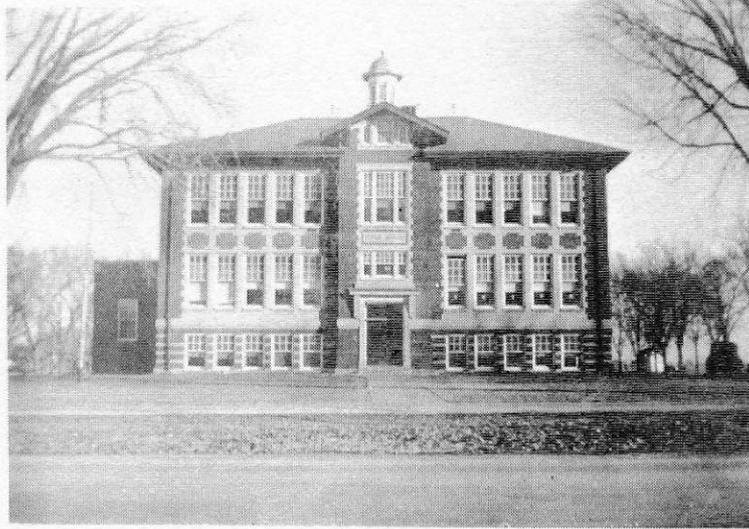




We
hereby
dedicate this
Mirror to all of the
young men and women of this
community who in the past, present
and future are, have been and will be
serving our country, in the Armed Services.



ALMA MATER



FACULTY



SEATED: Mrs. Schmitt, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Howard, Mrs. Hadley,
and Miss Cunningham.
STANDING: Mrs. Stansell, Mr. Lord, Mr. Stansbury, Mr. Kephart and
Mr. Smith.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL

Two representatives from each grade and our president Mary Lou Swanson, formed our Student Council for 1952-53. We made plans for Freshman Initiation and plans for the Carnival to raise money for our girls basketball suits. The representatives are: Daryl Swanson and Nancy Christofferson--Freshman class; Mary Jane Sutton and Robert Smith--Sophomore class; Janis Coon and Deane Viner--Junior class; Kay Chown and Marilyn Baxter--Senior Class

Mary Lou Swanson was elected from the student body to be president of the Council.



SEATED: Mary Jane Sutton, Nancy Christofferson, Janis Coon, Marilyn Baxter, Mary Lou Swanson, and Kay Chown.
STANDING: Robert Smith, Daryl Swanson, Deane Viner, and Mr. Lord.

Janitor



Clevie Hazen

A JANITOR'S LAMENT

I'm just a janitor in a public school
A job some think reserved for a fool.
I go to great pains to keep the building
neat
I shovel and sweat to keep up the heat.
I run my legs off to do many odd jobs
For a lot of folks who act like snobs.
From early morn till late at night
It's do this, do that, and I'm seldom right
Fix a clock, fix a shade, fix a desk,
fix a door,
Hang a picture, set the stage, open a
window, mop the floor.
Move a bookcase, pot a plant, sew a
curtain that is tore
Please, Mr. Janitor, get my groceries from
the store
Each janitor has thirty teachers and more
Who think the waste basket is all over the
floor.
I try to keep order, I try to do right
Keep an eye on the youngsters, stop many a
fight.
If every teacher would just stop and say,
"If twenty-five janitors came to me every
day,
And I was only asked to do a little for each,
When in the day would I have time to teach?"

COOKS



Meet Golda Pike and Loretta Christofferson. They are our cooks, and good ones, too. They serve about 175 meals daily to the children and faculty. This is no easy job, to keep the meals inexpensive tasty and varied. Everything must be done so that at 11:15, dinner is ready and is kept ready and warm until the last of the high school has eaten, which is about 12:15. To serve in such huge quantities and please everyone is an extremely hard job, but they do it 180 days a year.



Mary Lou Mills



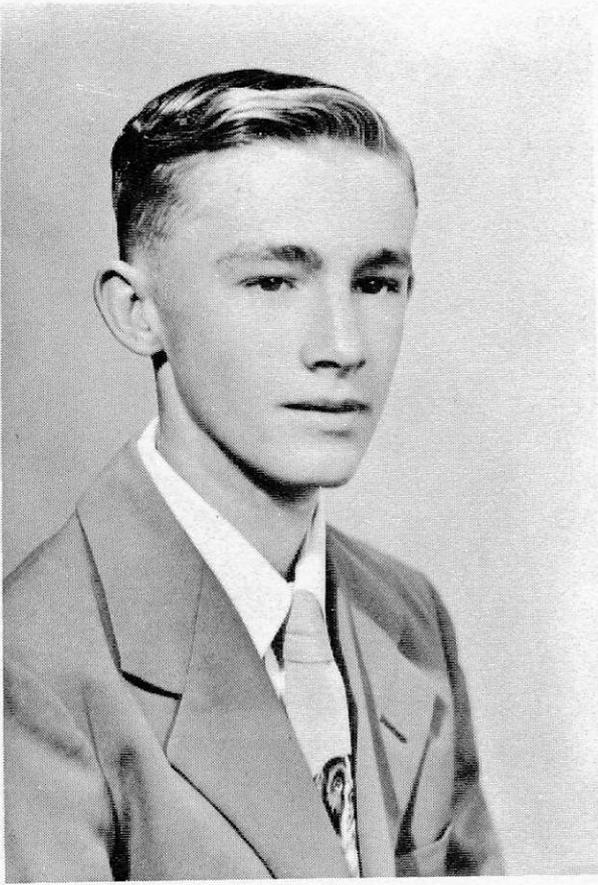
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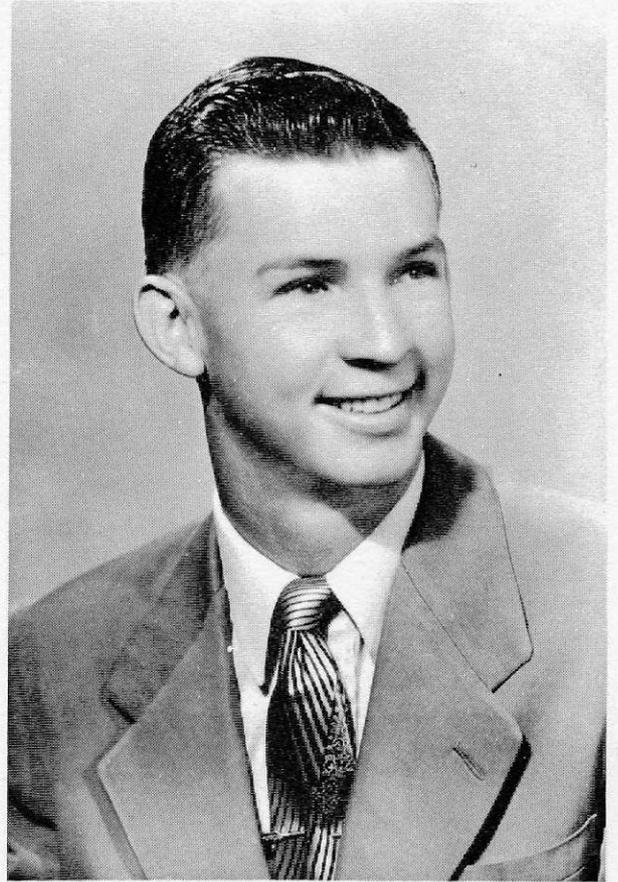
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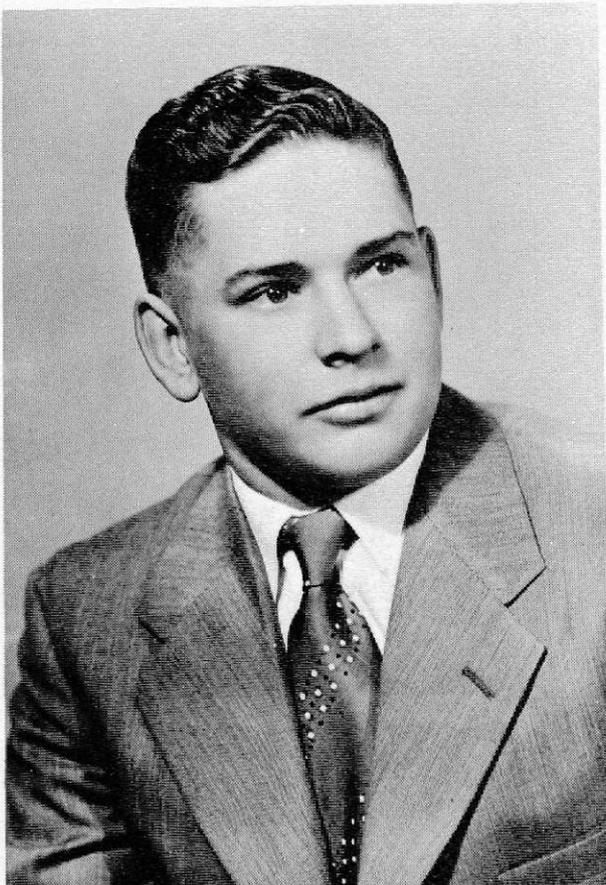
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Lloyd Deahr



James Porter



Eugene Walker





Marilyn Baxter



Kay Chown



Mary Lou Swanson

SENIOR LOW DOWN

DOROTHY WILKERSON is a member of the Spartan society. She has participated in girls glee club four years. Dorothy has been in three plays. She served her class as Vice President in her junior year. Dorothy has been on the Mirror staff four years. Her awards have been a 30 word typing pin and a glee club pin. Dorothy says her ambition is to be a housewife. Dorothy was in the sextet three years.

LUCILLE JENSEN is a member of the Alpha society. Lucille has participated in girls glee club four years, being in the sextet three. Lucille has been in two plays. Her awards have been a 30 word typing pin and a glee club pin. Lucille says her ambition is to be a housewife.

MARY LOU MILLS is a member of the Alpha society. She has taken an active part in girls glee club for four years, being in the sextet 3 years. Mary Lou was on the Nicholite staff in her sophomore year and the Mirror her senior year. Mary Lou has been awarded a 40 word typing pin and a glee club pin. Mary Lou has taken part in three plays. Mary Lou says her ambition is to be a farmer's wife.

JAMES PORTER is a member of the Spartan society. Jamie is a very active boy. He has participated in two plays. Jamie has been on the basketball team and baseball team for four years. He was captain of the baseball team his junior year and co-captain of the basketball team his senior year. Jamie has been on the Nicholite staff for two years. His ambition is to join the Navy.

KAY CHOWN is a member of the Spartan society. Kay was chosen to lead us through our senior year. Kay was Sec. & Treas. in her sophomore year and student council member her senior year. She has been on the Nicholite staff four years and Mirror for one year. Kay has been in band four years, playing the snare drum and in glee club 1 year. She has played both forward and guard on the basketball team for four years. Her awards have been a basketball letter, band pin, and is captain of the girls basketball team her senior year. Kay says her ambition is to be a demonstrator in home economics.

EUGENE WALKER is a member of the Spartan society. Gene has participated in four plays. Gene has held the office of President in his junior and freshman year, vice president in his senior year and a student council member in his sophomore year. Gene was assistant business manager on the Nicholite one year. Gene's ambition is to be a farmer.

MARY LOU SWANSON is a member of the Spartan society. Mary Lou has been in three plays. She has been on the Nicholite staff for two years and the Mirror two years. She was editor of the Mirror her senior year. Mary Lou has taken part in the girls glee club for four years, being in the sextet two years. She has managed the girls basketball team for two years. Mary Lou held the office of Sec. & Treas. in her junior year and is president of the student council this year. Mary Lou's awards have been a 50 word typing pin, basketball letter and glee club pin. Mary Lou says her ambitions are to be a nurse, marry a farmer and live on a ranch.

MARILYN BAXTER is a member of the Spartan society. She has taken part in two plays. Marilyn has been in band $3\frac{1}{2}$ years playing the clarinet and has been in glee club for $3\frac{1}{2}$ years. Marilyn was on the basketball team two years and a cheerleader for half a year. Marilyn is on the Mirror staff & the Nicholite staff her senior year. She has held the office of vice pres. in her sophomore year and on the student council for two years. Her awards have been a basketball letter, and a band pin. She is full-filling her ambition as a housewife.

LLOYD DEHR is a member of the Alpha society. Lloyd has participated in one play. He was chosen a candidate for King and won, so is the NHS king his senior year. Lloyd went to Conesville High School for two years, where he typed 50 words. Lloyd says his ambition is to be a farmer.

TWYLA GRIM is a member of the Alpha society. She was Sec. & Treas. her senior year. She was a candidate for queen in her Junior year. Twyla has been in three plays. She was on the Nicholite and Mirror staff her Senior year. Her awards have been a 30 word typing pin and a glee club pin. Twyla says her ambition is to be an elementary school teacher.

CLASS HISTORY



We, the class of 1953, started our first year in high school on August 29, 1949. Our first event of the year was Freshman Initiation. This was a very thrilling experience. Then we joined the Alpha and Spartan societies. The members of our class were Kay Chown, James Porter, Richard Knoll, Lloyd Deahr, Charles Newton, Eugene Walker, Dorothy Wilkerson, Mary Lou Swanson, Marilyn Braun, Twyla Grim, Lucille Jensen, Mary Lou Mills and Robert Bixby. Our sponsor was Mr. Crabtree. The subjects we had were manual training, world history, English I, civics, business training and algebra.

To lead us through our sophomore year we chose Louella Rathmell, a newcomer to our class, Marilyn Braun was chosen to assist her and Kay Chown was picked as secretary-treasurer of the class. Mr. Whitehill was our sponsor. We lost Lloyd Deahr and Robert Bixby and gained Louella Rathmell. Our subjects were general science, general mathematics, health, speech, English II, economic geography, and occupations.

Eugene Walker was chosen to lead us through our Junior year. Dorothy Wilkerson assisted him as vice-president. Mary Lou Swanson was our secretary-treasurer. Miss Fales was our sponsor. Our main event was the Junior play, "Aunt Tillie Goes to Town". We lost Marilyn Braun, Dick Knoll, and Charles Newton. Our subjects were typing I, American Literature, modern problems, Senior Science, and Physics. In May we gave the seniors the Junior-Senior Banquet. It was a Spanish theme. The Sophomore girls served. We also sponsored a dance afterwards. The Prairie-Landers played.

In our final year Kay Chown was our President, Eugene Walker our vice-president, and Twyla Grim our secretary-treasurer. Mr. Smith was our sponsor. We gained Marilyn Baxter and Lloyd Deahr this year. Our subjects were English Literature, American History, biology, economics, sociology and Home Economics. Our Senior Play was "Coming Around The Mountain". We recieved the funds from our Senior Play, sold refreshments at all of the home basketball games and sold Christmas cards to make money for our Senior trip. We plan to go to Chicago. The Junior-Senior Banquet this year was a Dutch theme. Baccalaurette was May 17 and Commencement was May 22.

We hope that the next four years are as happy and prosperous as our last four have been.



CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of "53", being sound of mind, memory and understanding, do make, publish, and declare this to be our last will and testament.

The members of the Senior Class feel they have many traits the classes to follow would appreciate and therefore we have made a will to provide those we feel can use our abilities to the best cause.

To the coming Senior Class we will our amazingly high intellegent quotient, providing they get better grades than we did.

To the coming Junior Class we will our ability to have a successful and charming Junior-Senior Banquet.

To the coming Sophomore Class we will our ability to behave in all of our classes, providing they don't all get N in conduct.

To the coming Freshman Class we will our ability to have a fun-filled and happy Freshman Initiation.

I, Mary Lou Swanson, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get Need Improvement in self-control to Janis Coon, providing she doesn't need improvement at the wrong time.

I, Marilyn Baxter, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to be late to glee club to Barbara Jo Hanft, providing she is always at least 10 minutes late.

I, Twyla Grim, do hereby will and bequeath my job as secretary-treasurer of the Senior Class, to Norma Schmitt, providing she will keep better records than I did.

I, Mary Lou Mills, do hereby will and bequeath my good behavior in glee club to Mary Stalkfleet, providing she does a better job of singing than I did.

I, Dorothy Wilkerson, do hereby will and bequeath my seat to Norma Deahr, providing she doesn't waste as much time looking out the window as I did.

I, Lloyd Deahr, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to chew gum in school time to Deane Viner, providing he only gets caught as often as I did.

I, Kay Chown, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to make fouls to Naomi Wieskamp, providing she can at least foul out of one game in 6 minutes.

I, James Porter, do hereby will and bequeath my position as center on the basketball team to Bob Smith, providing he doesn't play against any bigger guys than I did.

I, Lucille Jensen, do hereby will and bequeath my desk in Senior row to Almamae McCullough, providing she gets as many books thrown at her as I have.

I, Eugene Walker, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to come to school twice a week, to Wayne Westlake, providing he behaves himself when he does come, as I did.

Signed

Lloyd Deahr

Kay Chown

James Porter

Twyla Grim

Eugene Walker

Dorothy Wilkerson

Marilyn Baxter

Mary Lou Mills

Mary Lou Swanson

Lucille Jensen

CLASS PROPHECY

As my helicopter set down on top of the Nichols Super Skyscraper, I was amazed at the prosperity of the town in which I spent my school days, twenty years ago. This is the day our class of 1953 is to meet for our reunion. First, may I introduce myself. I am Kay Chown, an assistant to Betty Crocker in the General Mills Experimental Kitchen. After graduating from Nichols, I attended Iowa State College in Ames and got a degree in home economics. I am married to an Army Major. As I stepped down out of my plane I noticed a crowd gathering on the highway below. Out of curiosity I hurried down the elevator and out to the street. What was it???? It was a curious looking flying saucer! Wait a minute, it looks like a man getting out of it--oh, it is! My, isn't he handsome, why he looks like one of the boys I went to school with. In fact, I'm sure it's Jamie Porter. I hurried up to Jamie and engaged him in conversation. I learned that he was a leading scientific experimenter for the United States Navy. Jamie was not married, so I understood why all the young ladies were crowded around asking for his autograph. Soon we left for the Nichols School. On the way we spied a big Buick station wagon pulling up to the curb. To our surprise, who was it but the former Dorothy Wilkerson and her husband and family of six. We introduced ourselves and inquired about Dorothy and her family. We learned that after graduation Dorothy had married Orville VanAcker and they had been farming very prosperily. We were discussing their children when who should appear but Lloyd Deahr and his wife. We could hardly recognize him as he was now a tall, chubby man. He has three big daughters and said that life had been very generous to him. Lloyd told us that after graduation he went to work in a sash and door factory and had worked his way to the highest executive position. We were very much engrossed in conversation when a big yellow Mercury pulled up with a Texan with his ten gallon hat and a big cigar. We knew it could be no one but Gene Walker. Gene owns a thousand acre ranch which is known far and wide for its purebred Hereford long horn cattle. Pretty soon a lady, elegantly dressed, haughty appearing, came sauntering into our circle. She had a toy terrier on the end of a leash which she was continually scolding. We all knew that it had to be Lucille Jensen. Lucille told us her great fortune in discovering that her parental grandparents had left her a spot of land that proved to be one of the largest uranium mines in the United States. She was unmarried and she said that men were fickle and that she could do better without them. Before we were through congratulating Lucille, another couple and 3 children alighted from an Oldsmobile "98" and we knew at a glance that it was Marilyn and Ronnie Baxter. Marilyn told us that after she had graduated her mother and father turned the farming over to she and Ronnie and her brother. They were still living on the homestead farm. We were all so busy with our memories that we failed to see another school mate appear on the scene. But at the first break in conversation we were reminded that Mary Lou Mills was there by a loud "Yipi Kiyi and a Woopie". Of course I had learned previously of her achievements in radio and TV, but Mary Lou told me she had been married and divorced three times and had decided that men were to be loved and left rather than lived with. Then the other Mary Lou appeared. We learned that Mary Lou Swanson, after completing nurses training, joined the Navy Nurse Corps, then got married and is now living in South Dakota on a cattle ranch with her husband and their two children. Upon looking the group over we discovered that my old friend Twyla Grim was not in the crowd. Upon inquiring as to the whereabouts of Twyla, we learned that she too had achieved the good for which she strove. Twyla became a school teacher as well as a psychological instructor in the elementary school of New York City and conducted a half hour school program on TV every weekday. Soon she arrived and we all climbed into my helicopter and flew up to the Amana colonies where we ate our reunion dinner in the old Ox Yoke Inn. We decided to meet ten years later because we had enjoyed it so much. We then all left for our homes happy and pleased because we had found that "Today is yesterday's pupil".

JUNIOR CLASS

We, the Junior Class of 1953 have been traveling for two years, this making our third. Up to this time we have twelve members.

For the leaders of the class this year we chose Almamae McCullough for President, her assistant, Deane Viner and Norma Schmitt as Secretary and Treasurer. Our representatives of the Student Council are Janis Coon and Deane Viner. Mrs. Anderson is our class advisor.

The subjects which we entered into are: American History, Biology, Typing I, Home Economics, and English Literature.

The Juniors presented their class play October 30, 1952. The name of it was "Her Emergency Husband" in three acts. The cast was as follows: Nicholas Napoleon Nutt, a newlywed--Deane Viner, Arlene Nutt, His bonny bride--Almamae McCullough, Aunt Jubilee, the negro cook--Naomi Wieskamp, Elberta Peach, her dumb daughter--Darlene Will, Dorothy Dolson, who got jilted--Janis Coon, Bill Jones, Dot's emergency husband--Norma Schmitt, Wilmer Sneed, Dot's jilter--Patsy Lane, Audrey Hardwick, Bill's fiancee--Karleen Salemink, Hiram Hardwick, Audrey's hard-boiled uncle--Mary Stalkfleet, Aunt Hazel Nutt, Nicky's old maid aunt--Phyllis Salemink, Mrs. Jarboe, Arlene's dominating mother--Barbara Jo Hanft, Wild Man, who eats human flesh--Wayne Westlake. Student Director--Norma Jane Deahr. Faculty advisor--Mrs. Anderson.



FRONT ROW: Norma Jane Deahr, Janis Coon, Phyllis Salemink, Karleen Salemink, Barbara Jo Hanft, Mrs. Anderson.
BACK ROW: Mary Stalkfleet, Naomi Wieskamp, Wayne Westlake, Deane Viner, Norma Schmitt, and Darlene Will.

SOPHOMORE

Class History



We, the Sophomore Class of 1953, have started on our second trip through the public high school of Nichols, Iowa.

To lead us through to safety, we have chosen Gene Wieskamp as president, and Marijane Connell to assist him as Vice-President. To the office of Secretary-Treasurer, we have elected Ione Juels. To represent us in the Student Council we have chosen Robert Smith and Mary Jane Sutton.

On this trip the various cities that we pass through are: speech, English, health, geometry and general science.

Our class as a whole, is very active in the extra curricular activities which include band, glee club, baseball, and basketball.



FRONT ROW: Jim Jensen, Betty Wilkerson, Beatrice Deahr, Jackie Renshaw, Joyce Brenneman, Ione Juels, Ramona Kaalberg, Marijane Connell, Mary Jane Sutton, James Connell, and Mr. Stansbury.

BACK ROW: Robert Smith, Keith Johnston, John Swanson, George Smith, Bob Viner, Virgil Braun, Dennis Smith, Wayne Brenneman, and Gene Wieskamp.

FRESHMEN

Futures



The freshman class started the year by electing officers. The officers are as follows: President--Daryl Swanson; Vice-President--Charlotte Ball; Secretary-Treasurer--Duane Collison. Student Council representatives are Daryl Swanson and Nancy Christofferson.

Of course, initiation cannot be left out. The hilarious characters were: Loetta Paulsen--Baseball player; Ronald Houseman--Hula Girl; Thomas Holcomb--Old Mother Hubbard; Larry Ulch--Humphrey Pennyworth; Billy Newton--Miss America; Vernon Deahr--Atlas; Paul Smith--Preacher; Jerry Elder--Jiggs; Carol Braun--Maggie; Nancy Christofferson--Paul Bunyon; Charlotte Ball--Hobo; Marlys Ann Madsen--Fisherman; Duane Collison--Gardener Girl; Lois Christofferson--Indian Squaw; and Daryl Swanson--Sweater Girl.

The freshman subjects are English, science, speech, algebra, health, and manual training.



FRONT ROW: Ronald Houseman, Charlotte Ball, Nancy Christofferson, Marlys Madsen, Carol Braun, Loetta Paulsen, Vernon Deahr, Mr. Lord.

BACK ROW: Bill Newton, Thomas Holcomb, Daryl Swanson, Larry Ulch, Jerry Elder, Duane Collison, Paul Smith.

Eighth



Miss Howard



David
Brenneman



Kathryn
Jensen



Joanne
Green



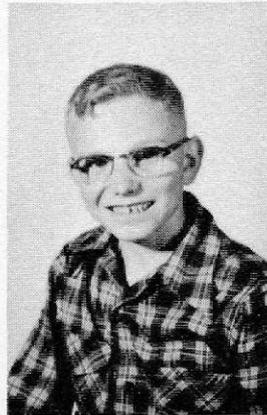
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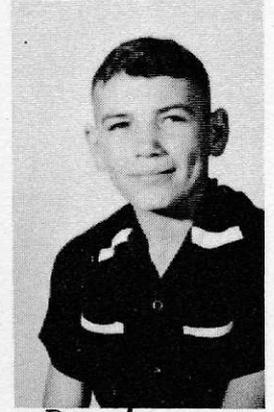
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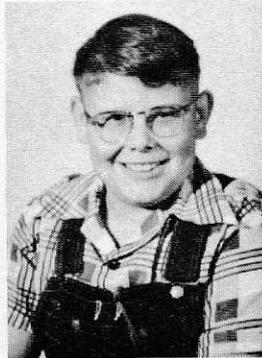
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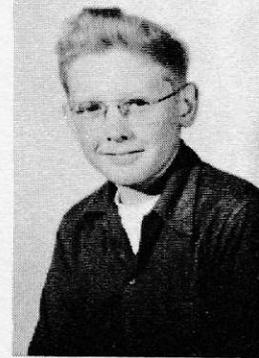
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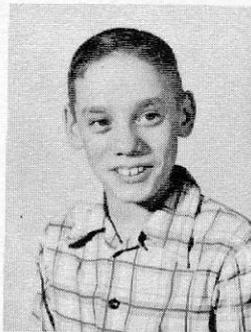
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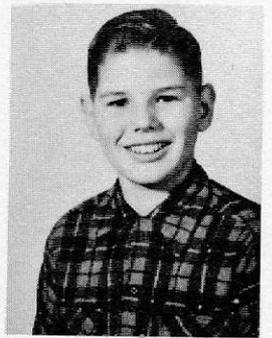
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Larry Green



Susan Jansen



Larry Wilkerson



Bobby Rudman



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Gary Finley



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Camilla Pike



Larry Whitlock



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Roger Wieskamp



Jeanne Rife

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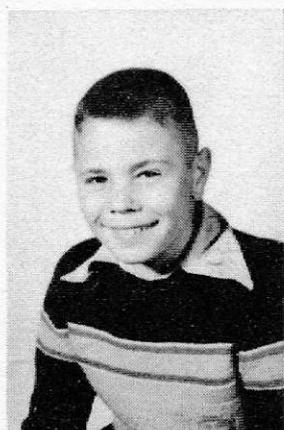
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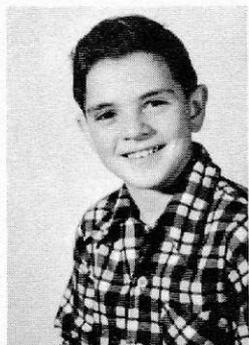


Johnny
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Fourth



Mrs. Schmitt



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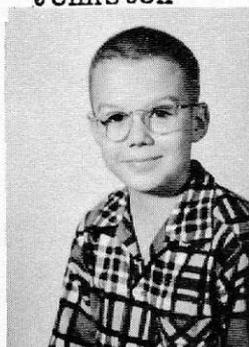
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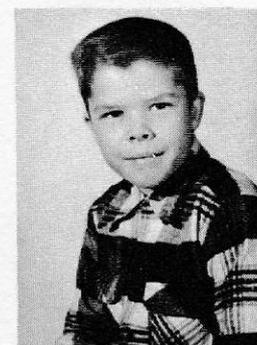
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Mrs. Schmitt



Linda Elder



Audrey Chown



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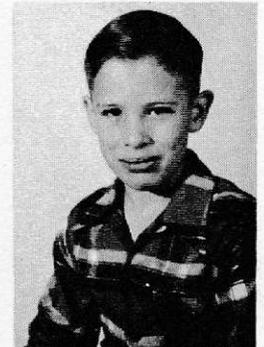
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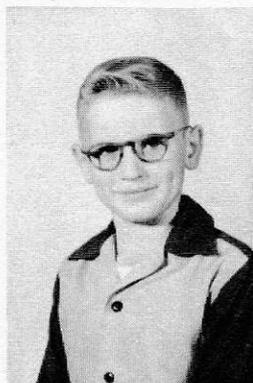
Robert Swanson



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Stephen Borgstadt



Billy Gray



Jack Loeb

Second



Mrs. Stansell



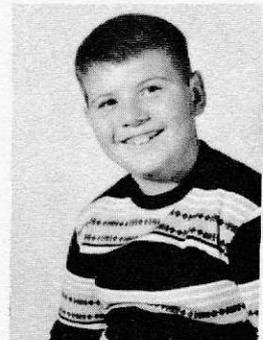
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Linda
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Jimmy
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First



Mrs. Stansell



Richard
Hillyer



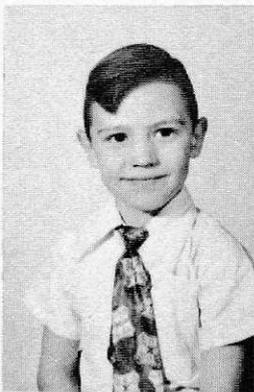
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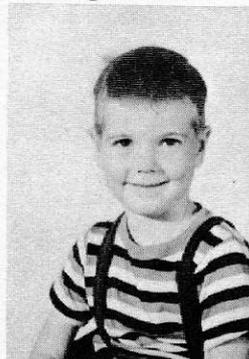
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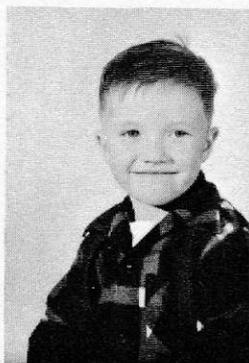
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James
Rife



Mardella
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Sandra
Schmitt



Lorna
Pike



Doris
Smith



Luana
Way



Shirley
Hillyer

ALPHAS



FRONT ROW: Loetta Paulsen, Carol Braun, Twyla Grim, Charlotte Ball, Janis Coon, Lucille Jensen, Mary Lou Mills, Marlys Ann Madsen, Mr. Stansbury.

SECOND ROW: Mr. Smith, Thomas Holcomb, Jim Jensen, Robert Smith, Bill Newton, Naomi Wieskamp, Karleen Salemink, Marijane Connell, Darlene Will, Jackie Renshaw

THIRD ROW: Lloyd Deahr, Duane Collison, Wayne Westlake, Daryl Swanson, Jerry Elder, Gene Wieskamp, Dennis Smith, George Smith, Bob Viner, James Connell.

SPARTANS



FRONT ROW: Nancy Christofferson, Mary Jane Sutton, Ione Juels, Norma Jane Deahr, Dorothy Wilkerson, Marilyn Baxter, Mary Lou Swanson, Barbara Jo Hanft, Phyllis Salemink, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Lord.

SECOND ROW: Larry Uleh, Ramona Kaalberg, Betty Wilkerson, Beatrice Deahr, Joyce Brenneman, Mary Stalkfleet, Norma Schmitt, Kay Chown, Ronald Houseman.

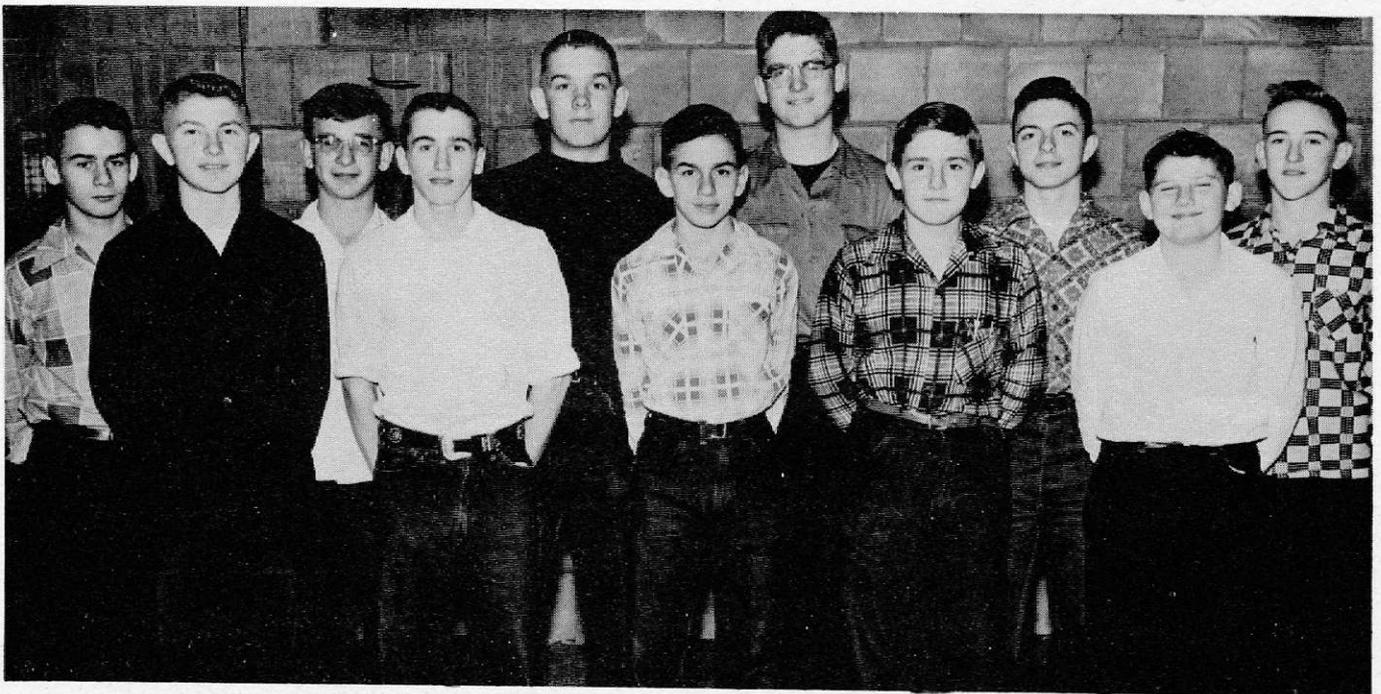
THIRD ROW: Vernon Deahr, John Swanson, James Porter, Paul Smith, Deane Viner, Keith Johnston, Virgil Braun, Wayne Brenneman, Gene Walker.

GLEE CLUB




SEATED: Dorothy Wilkerson, Lucille Jensen, Betty Wilkerson, Janis Coon, Jackie Renshaw, Marilyn Baxter, Norma Jane Deahr, Nancy Christofferson, Beatrice Deahr.

STANDING: (Left to Right) Carol Braun, Loetta Paulsen, Joyce Brenneman, Naomi Wieskamp, Karleen Salemink, Ramona Kaalberg, Phyllis Salemink, Marlys Madsen, Darlene Will, Mary Lou Swanson, Charlotte Ball, Twyla Grim, Mary Jane Sutton, Mary Stalkfleet, Ione Juels, Barbara Jo Hanft, Marijane Connell, Norma Schmitt, Mary Lou Mills, and Mrs. Kirchner.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Dennis Smith, Bill Newton, George Smith, Virgil Braun, John Swanson, Paul Smith, Daryl Swanson, Duane Collison, Jerry Elder, Larry Ulch, Keith Johnston.



BAND



Every Tuesday and Thursday morning the band set up for the regular forty-five minutes of practice. Following the band practice, Mr. Kephart, the director, gave lessons for the remainder of the day for all Junior and Senior band members and for those not in either band.

The band now has thirty-three members including the six new members. After graduation we lost two senior members, Kay Chown, and Marilyn Baxter.

A pep band was organized to play at all the home basketball games. It consisted of all regular members who didn't play on either boys or girls team.

To merit a letter three-hundred points had to be earned. This was done by practice, being in group instrumental or giving a solo, attending band practice and concerts.

A new baritone and filing cabinet were purchased by the band club during the year.

The band took part in quite a few activities this year. We played for the Carnival, Junior Play, Christmas Program, spring concert, County Festival in Muscatine, State Contest for instrumental groups

At the beginning of the year, officers were elected. Ramona Kaalberg as President, Norma Schmitt as Secretary and Treasurer and Barbara Jo Hanft and Phyllis Salemink as Librarians.

The band members and instruments they play are: Ramona Kaalberg, Darlene Will, Jackie Renshaw, Naomi Wieskamp, Marilyn Baxter, Joyce Brenneman, Norma Schmitt, Loretta Brenneman, Carolvn Brei, clarinets; Dennis Smith, Keith Johnston, Dewayne Christofferson, French horns; Karleen Salemink and Helen Johnston, flutes; Almamae McCullough, Barbara Hanft and Camilla Pike, saxophones; Phyllis Salemink, Marlys Madsen, and Jim Hadley, trombones; Virgil Braun, Bill Newton, Gayle Kaalberg, Gene Wieskamp, Ronnie Wieskamp, Virgil Oostendorp, Larry Ulch, trumpets; Mary Jane Sutton, Charlotte Ball, and Kay Chown, drums; Duane Collison, Baritone; George Smith, Paul Smith, and Ione Juels, Basses. Nancy Christofferson Drums.



MIRROR STAFF



FRONT ROW: Mr. Stansbury (Advisor), Phyllis Salemink (Band), Barbara Jo Hanft (Junior History), Marilyn Baxter (Senior Will), Mary Lou Swanson (Editor), Twyla Grim (Senior Personalities), Ramona Kaalberg (Girls Sports), Dorothy Wilkerson (Senior History), Mary Lou Mills (Senior Will).

BACK ROW: Naomi Wieskamp (Alpha News), Mary Jane Sutton (Sophomore History), Norma Schmitt (Spratan News), Kay Chown (Senior Prophecy), Daryl Swanson (Freshman News), Jerry Elder (Boys Sports), Dennis Smith (Ads), and Keith Johnston (Ads).

NICHOLITE STAFF



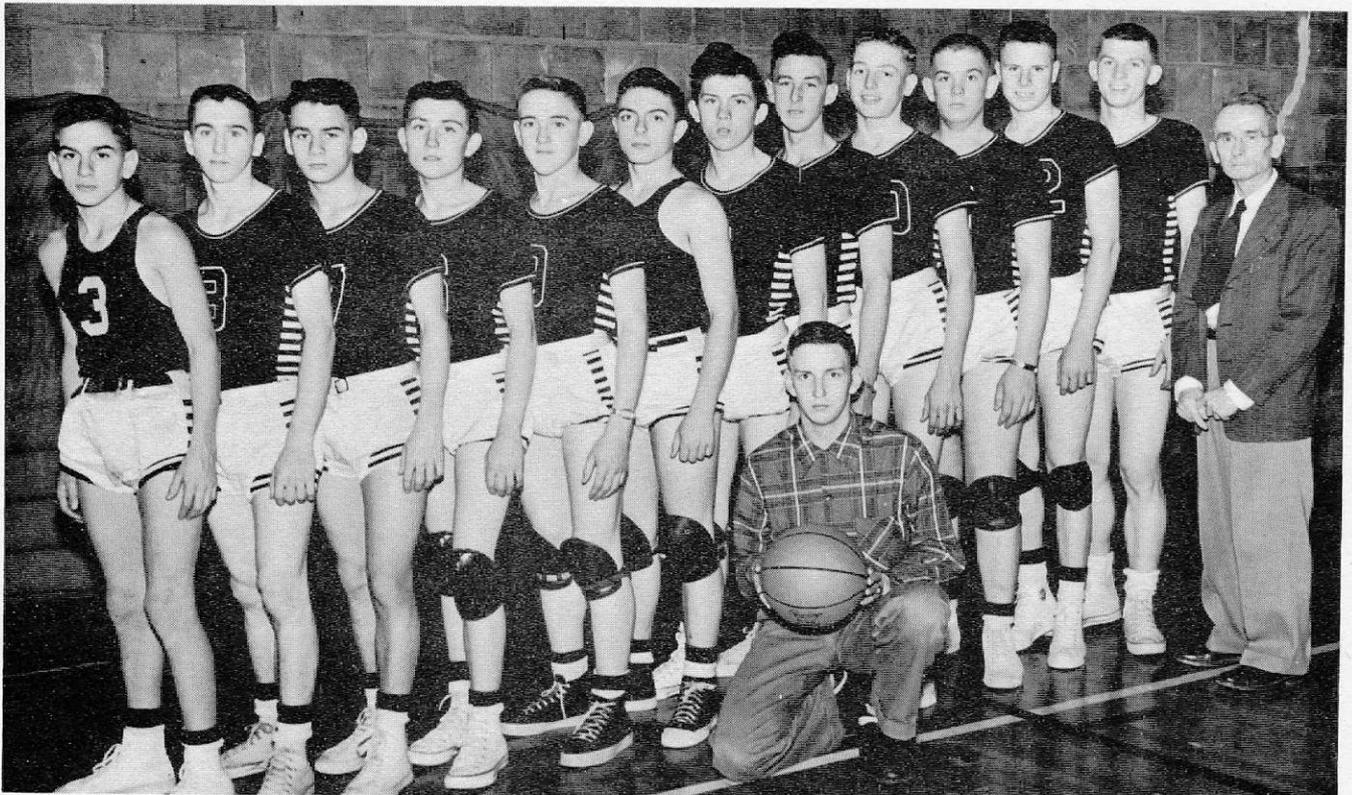
FRONT ROW: Joyce Brenneman (Ads), Ione Juels (Ads), Phyllis Salemink (Community News), Karleen Salemink (Editor), Barbara Jo Hanft (Ads), Mary Lou Swanson (Student Advisor), Twyla Grim (Tattletale), Ramona Kaalberg (Girls Sports), Darlene Will (High School News)

SECOND ROW: Mr. Stansbury (Advisor), Norma Schmitt (Ads), Kay Chown (Grade News), Betty Wilkerson (Community News), Mary Stalkfleet (Tattletale), Marijane Connell (Tattletale), Janis Coon (Personalities), Charlotte Ball (City News), Nancy Christofferson (Tattletale), Naomi Wieskamp (What Do You Think?)

BACK ROW: James Jensen (Machine Operator), James Porter (Boys Sports), Bob Viner (Machine Operator), Jerry Elder (Boys Sports), Gene Wieskamp (What Do You Think?), Dennis Smith (Ads), Keith Johnston (Ads).



SEATED: Karleen Salemink, Barbara Jo Hanft, Naomi Wieskamp, Norma Schmitt, Marlys Madsen, Ramona Kaalberg, Kay Chown, Ione Juels.
 STANDING: Coach Donn Stansbury, Nancy Christofferson, Mary Stalkfleet, Charlotte Ball, Manager Mary Swanson. Our Chaperone, Delores Stansbury, and Lois Christofferson were absent the day this picture was taken.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Paul Smith, Virgil Braun, Dennis Smith, Bob Viner, Keith Johnston, Jerry Elder, Deane Viner, Jim Jensen, Gene Wieskamp, John Swanson, Robert Smith, Jamie Porter.
 Student manager, Wayne Westlake.
 Coach Mark P. Smith.

Girls Basketball

KAY CHOWN, a Senior, will be the only girl which we will lose this year. She has done a wonderful job of playing guard and was also good as a forward. Our team will miss her very much.

NAOMI WIESKAMP, a Junior, also did a very good job of guarding this year. She tied her man up and kept down the scoring power of the opponent.

BARBARA JO HANFT, a Junior, also played guard. She, too, did a very good job of guarding and as proved to be valuable to the team.

KARLEEN SALEMINK, a Junior, played forward. She did a great deal for the team by her scoring. She was the high scorer for the season.

IONE JUELS, a Sophomore, played forward this year. She did a very good job of rebounding and floor play and also contributed 186 points during the season, to help the team on the scoring end.

RAMONA KAALBERG, A Sophomore, played post forward most of the time. Her height helped quite a bit in getting possession of the ball. Ramona won the sectional free throw championship by making 21 out of 25. She made 17 out of 25 for third place in the District.

NANCY CHRISTOFFERSON, the only Freshman to earn a letter, was a substitute guard. Nancy is not tall but is a very scrappy player.

The other members of the team are Lois Christofferson, Charlotte Ball, Norma Schmitt, Mary Stalkfleet, Marlys Madsen, Carol Braun, and Loetta Paulsen. Mary Lou Swanson, a Senior, was our manager.

Yr.	Pos.	Name	F.	md.	FT ms.	FG	TP	G
11	F	Karleen Salemink	30	80	95	115	310	20
10	F	Ramona Kaalberg	27	103	94	100	303	20
10	F	Ione Juels	21	47	76	70	187	19
9	F	Lois Christofferson	11	19	12	23	65	11
11	F	Norma Schmitt	0	4	13	2	8	8
9	F-G	Charlotte Ball	16	4	15	6	16	12
12	F-G	Kay Chown	79	5	9	13	31	20
11	G	Naomi Wieskamp	57	0	0	1	2	20
11	G	Barbara Hanft	74	0	00	0	0	19
9	G	N. Christofferson	45	0	0	0	0	17
11	G	Mary Stalkfleet	4	0	0	0	0	8
9	G	Marlys Madsen	8	0	0	0	0	9
9	G	Loetta Paulsen	1	0	0	0	0	3
9	G	Carol Braun	0	0	0	0	0	2

OPPONENT	PLACE	SCORE
	N	0
Lone Tree	here	43 26
Conesville	there	43 36
Letts	here	47 37
Grandview	here	52 33
Atalissa	there	38 48
Springdale	here	71 42
Conesville	here	40 33
Riverside	there	55 21
Letts	there	54 41
Grandview	there	61 40
Atalissa	here	41 25
Lone Tree	there	38 39
Buffalo	here	52 33
Buffalo	there	32 34
Springdale	there	55 59

MUSCATINE COUNTY TOURNAMENT AT WILTON

Conesville	51	36
West Liberty	28	52

SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT AT LONE TREE

Conesville	43	34
West Liberty	34	67
Atalissa	44	40

Boys Basketball

OPPONENT	PLACE	SCORE	
		N	O
Lone Tree	here	43	46
Conesville	there	48	90
Letts	here	45	59
Grandview	here	56	35
Atalissa	there	33	60
Springdale	here	44	59
Conesville	here	42	40
Riverside	there	44	60
Letts	there	37	45
Grandview	there	60	35
Atalissa	here	40	59
Lone Tree	there	29	52
Muscatine Catholic	here	27	30
Buffalo	here	66	29
Columbus Junction	here	42	61
Buffalo	there	53	38
Muscatine Junior Varsity	there	38	81
Springdale	there	57	56

MUSCATINE COUNTY TOURNAMENT AT WILTON

Conesville	35	64
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SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT AT WAPELLO

Conesville	33	72
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INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

PLAYER	TP	FT		FG	F	G
		md.	ms.			
Virgil Braun	143	41	27	51	38	20
Gene Wieskamp	212	38	53	87	40	20
James Porter	312	102	78	105	69	20
Jim Jensen	103	47	40	28	74	20
Deane Viner	59	21	18	19	27	20
Robert Smith	22	6	15	8	19	17

A REVIEW OF THE ROSTER

VIRGIL BRAUN, a Sophomore forward, the littlest and fastest man on the team, was one of the better shots.

GENE WIESKAMP, a Sophomore forward with the best jump shot, on the team.

JAMES PORTER, a Senior, played the center spot. He had the highest average on the team, 16 points per game.

DEANE VINER, a Junior guard, a good defensive player and a good rebounder.

JIM JENSEN, a Sophomore guard was a good defensive player, and a good rebounder.

ROBERT SMITH, a Sophomore utility man, tallest one on the team was a good rebounder.

ROBERT VINER, JERRY ELDER, PAUL SMITH, JOHN SWANSON, DENNY SMITH, and KEITH JOHNSTON were the able substitutes and were always willing to play.

WAYNE WESTLAKE was our prompt manager for the 52-53 season.

CHEERLEADERS



BASEBALL

John Swanson
 Keith Johnston
 James Porter
 Deane Viner
 Denny Smith
 Robert Viner
 James Jensen
 Virgil Braun
 Robert Smith
 Jerry Elder
 Wayne Westlake
 Paul Smith

Catcher
 Catcher
 Pitcher
 1st Base
 2nd Base
 Short Stop
 3rd Base
 Outfield
 Outfield
 Outfield
 Outfield

FALL BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Nichols	0	Riverside	5
Nichols	14	Atalissa	3
Nichols	3	Springdale	1
Nichols	7	Grandview	3
Nichols	2	Letts	4

SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

Nichols	0	Oakville	11
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