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Varsity cheerleader Lori Summers cheers to the crowd.
Jim Stewart and George Dryer portray Groucho Marx in the Wagon Trails Revue.
Band members wave to the photographer at a football game.
A member of the newly formed soccer team hurriedly takes the ball down the field.
A caricature is an artistic way of presenting a personality. It portrays how people or situations are emotionally seen and felt. A caricature is constantly mistaken for the real thing, because it can mean several things. One can often read more than the truth into a caricature. Many times it is humorous, for it exaggerates already prominent features, such as making a large nose larger and long ears longer. A person may know a teacher, close friend, or a familiar individual who has obvious characteristics that are made fun of for various reasons. Although many caricatures are comical, they serve as powerful weapons, for once a distinctive trait is exposed, it will never be forgotten; it seems to be amazingly fixed upon one's mind.
Dressed as the "wicked witch of the west," Sherry Bush presents a goblin gram to an unsuspecting person. Debbie Day is being made into a caricature by the talented Tim Crist at the Homecoming carnival. Kathy Limbach receives a small shock as the egg she caught, keeps on going. Lee Ann Byrnes and Cathy Kinnell embarrass Mr. Ash with a goblin gram. Shawn Crawford, dressed as a clown, sells her sister Jackie a balloon.
Dee Ann Ramey concentrates deeply on her serve. Bob Smalling looks on from the sidelines after coming in from a play. Rifle corps member, Sherri Crist, stands with pride in her performance with the band. Susan McGuire awaits the time when she will play the Star Spangled Banner for the girls basketball game. Marsha Willoughby pins the Honor Society ribbon on new member, Stoy Hedges.
In any school, especially here at MHS, there are many different types of people. Each person is an individual and each individual has his own features. These features often make those individuals good victims for an artist looking for a good model.

Caricatures not only come from obvious features, but also from a funny or unusual experience, or getting in an awkward position, or just anything outstanding that wants to be brought out in an exaggerated way.

Each character has different and outstanding qualities, and the ways used by each character to achieve his goals is what makes his individuality so special.
Activities

Mike Austin gives Tina Byrnes a lift around the track in the piggy back race. Darrell Trisler leads the pack as the football team runs on to the field at homecoming. Debbie Crane tries to escape the rain at the carnival. Renee Mowery gets caught when she tries to sneak a kiss to Mike Breeden. Jane Walls uses skilled concentration to aim the soccer ball at the Hitler target.
Many activities led up to Homecoming, which was held on Friday, October 15, 1976. MHS can be proud of how enthusiasm for football has grown in the last few years. This spirit was shown in many ways. Thursday night of Homecoming Week, the choirs sponsored a bonfire. Although the fire was too big to roast marshmallows, a stuffed dummy symbolizing a Cascade Cadet was thrown in the fire by our football team, and burned to ashes.

Homecoming day, the students involved themselves in the second annual Carnival sponsored by the Athletic Department. Events were an egg toss, a basketball throw, a pie eating contest, and a greased pig contest in which the contestants had more trouble carrying a very slippery Arnold than they did catching him.
One of the attractions of the Athletic Carnival was a kissing booth sponsored by the Junior Class. At times the customers were scarce, but a few still managed to get their money's worth in kisses.

The yearbook staff had an auction to sell items from popular celebrities, not to mention articles from our teachers.

Another unusual activity was the piggy back race. The Juniors, with a team consisting of Sandy Kingham, Ray Garner, Brad Bailey, Mike Breeden, and Bill Flannary, won by actually running away with a victory.

Queen candidates were Seniors Teresa Farmer, Lori Summers, and Ruth Ann Cavee. Princess candidates were Junior Mary Neitzel, Sophomore Debbie Allison, and Freshman Amy Baldwin.
Amy Baldwin is surprised and happy as she is crowned Homecoming Princess.
Tim Ringer catches the greased pig as onlookers watch to see if he can be carried.
The Mad Kentuckian, Delvin Young, bulges with chocolate pie.
Mr. Frederick consumes his pie in the quickest time for the championship in the pie-eating contest.
Homecoming queen, Lori Summers, smiles with delight with her escort Eric Kriebel.
The senior class takes first place in float competition with their Sesame Street theme "Teach 'em A Lesson." The junior class is awarded second place with their gingerbread house that displays "Victory Is Sweet." "Drive 'em Loco," the entry from the sophomore class, received third place. The Art Club backed the team by entering their first float in the parade. The German Club entered their float "Drop One On 'Em." The freshman class showed their spirit with the entry "Sink the Cadets." The Varsity cheerleaders perform the school song routine during halftime at Homecoming.

The sun sets behind the color guard as they display the colors in the parade. Mike Breeden and Pam Hornaday in their excitement of winning the egg tossing contest. Steve Hadley displays the Giant Pumpkin he bought at the celebrity auction. Billie Jean King, alias Carl Goldsberry auctions off a tennis ball at the celebrity auction.
Building floats was a project that involved a tremendous amount of work. The Senior Class broke through the stiff competition with a Sesame Street float with the theme "Teach Em A Lesson."

Other floats were "Victory is Sweet" from the Juniors, "Drive Em Loco" from the Sophomores, "Sink The Cadets" from the Freshmen in addition to some entries by clubs and organizations. Art Club won the club competition with their theme "Pioneers Will Go Down In History."

During halftime ceremonies Lori Summers was crowned Homecoming Queen of 1977 and Freshman Amy Baldwin was crowned Princess. The football team topped off the day by trouncing Cascade 27-8.
Performances

The Yearbook Staff held its Fifth Annual Wagon Trails Revue on November 22, 1976. Masters of ceremony for this salute to Broadway were staff members Paul Gregory and Brian Turley.

Cathy Kinnet was crowned Miss Wagon Trails of 1976. Her court consisted of princesses Pam Hornaday, junior; Debbie Slaughter, Sophomore; and Michelle Arthur, freshman.

Musical selections from many Broadway shows including THE FANTASTIKS, MUSIC MAN, THE SOUND OF MUSIC, CAROUSEL, and MAN OF LA MANCHA were performed by both students and faculty members. Acting class contributed several comedy sketches of some of Broadway's most famous entertainers including several Groucho Marx and W.C. Fields routines and one liners.
The Drama class presents "My Darling Clementine" in the Wagon Trails Revue. Danny Scharborough and Steve Smith portray Abbott and Costello's "Who's On First." Mike Klass tries to help Jamie Marin clear up a technical difficulty. One of the MC's, Paul Gregory, announces the next act during Wagon Trails Revue. Miss Wagon Trails, Cathy Kinnett, is shown with her court, Junior princess Pam Hornaday, Sophomore princess Debbie Slaughter, and Freshman princess Michelle Arthur.
Rhonda Murry and Mindy Stewart work to sign in voters at the mock election. Debbie Pearson paints her Indian mask while studying folklore in Art. Nathan Johnson carefully works on rolling dough into a perfect circle while Jeff Renner offers a lot of help on the side. Tad Haltom catches an observer's attention as he shapes pottery during the carnival. Jeff Spears and David Christofferson measure and cut beams for their homes in Building Trades class.
Of course, in one's high school career, there comes a time when a student must get serious. Without due notice, this time often appears in the classroom. After the shock of the first weeks of school is over, the students begin to recall what the difference is in preparing and cramming for a test; the latter is often chosen.

The boys Home Ec class has been seen getting serious about their cooking escapades. In one instance, a group of boys put too much baking powder in their brownies. As they were baking, their creation rose over the edge of the pan and into the oven. Who says boys can't cook?

Mrs. Peggy Saylors instructed the office intensive lab in its second year. The students worked under real conditions to give the atmosphere of an actual office.

Chuck Waggoner taught the first building trades class this year. The students constructed a house west of Mooreville, and did all the electrical, plumbing, and masonry work.
Special projects completed by classes included the completion of a home in the Mooresville area and the rebuilding of a Bradley GT from a wrecked Volkswagen.

Constructed during the first year of an experimental program at Mooresville and taught by Mr. Chuck Waggoner, was an actual three bedroom home complete with a two-car garage.

Students who were involved in the program were chosen after a screening by MHS counselors and allowed to work half days at the building site and attend high school classes the other half.

In Mr. Kelly Maxfield's Auto Mechanics II class was another first for MHS with the complete rebuilding of a car with the idea of selling the finished Bradley GT. The kelly green sports car took 32 weeks to finish as students worked on the engine and electrical system and made many modifications on the body of the car.
Members of the Auto II class work on the body of the Bradley GT.

Mr. Kelly Maxfield and the Automechanics II class.

Mr. Chuck Waggoner and the morning building trades class.

Beginning stages of the building trades house looked like an especially big project.

The afternoon group which constructed the building trades house.

Chief Harold "Kojak" Martin and Mr. Maxfield settle the title for the Bradley GT.
What does it mean to be Pioneer Proud? Being proud to be from Mooresville, and to back the blue and gold teams wherever they may be or whatever they may be doing. Especially this year, these teams have created a special atmosphere with their winning ways and outstanding sportsmanship... the kind of atmosphere that makes one proud to be from MHS.

To start off the excitement of this winning year, the football team conquered their first Mid-State Championship in the history of MHS. Added thrill came when the tennis team became Mid-State co-champions, and the cross country team won the county meet.

The wrestling team continued from there with the winning streak as MHS experienced the thrill and excitement of their second STATE CHAMPION and a runner-up. Paul Byrnes fought his way through four long, tough tournaments to gain his title as the 105 lb. State Champ!
State Champion Paul Byrnes finally gets a chance to release four weeks of tension after an 8-0 victory over his Southport opponent. Nick Racic seems relieved after winning his second round match at state. Co-captains Becky Whitney and Lee Ann Hadley display their Regional award. Seniors Jeff Craft and Doug Opel reflect their Sectional victory.
Coach Silver congratulates Jeff Craft on his second home run of the season. The MHS band enters to perform their fourth place state routine. Doug Opel shares his excitement of the regional win with his younger brother. Tess Patrum cheers the basketball team on to victory. Eddy Hall's feelings about a regional win are pretty obvious as he cuts down the net. The football team celebrates their first Mid-State Conference title.
Nick Racic followed as the 132 lb. runner-up. These wins rounded up the team's season and placed them third in the state.

Even after all of this, the winning sports year had not come to an end by far. The girls basketball team kept the ball rolling by bringing home their second consecutive sectional and regional titles.

The students' enthusiasm over the girls' win had not died down when the boys team brought home their first sectional trophy in 11 years. Then they turned around and beat some really tough teams at Frankfort to bring back a regional trophy; MHS's first since 1944.

With all of these victories we have come to expect a lot from our Pioneer teams. More important than just winning, we've come to expect the outstanding sportsmanship that these teams display whether they win or lose. The teams this year have set quite an example for other teams to follow.
Musical Varieties "1977", the annual variety show at Mooresville High School, was the sixteenth consecutive show to be held at its usual time in the spring since 1962. The show traditionally opened with "Try to Remember," followed by many numbers involving the Band, Spotlighters, Kadettes, and Stage Band. It was based on the comic strip known as "Funky Winkerbean."

Highlights included an Irish jig and rock and roll dance performed by the Kadettes, "Ease on Down the Road" sung by the Spotlighters, a new group this year, "No One's Perfect" sung by the Cadet choir which is composed of mostly freshmen, and the Hip, Soul, Funky, Jazz Blues' featuring the stage band led by Mr. Dilkey. Jim Davee got an unexpected pie in the face, much to his surprise, during the last night as a joke played by other members of the cast.
Maureen Weber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Weber and "mini" Kadette, gives Sheila Hollar "five" as they wait for "showtime."

Spotlighters, the choral department's first swing choir, performs their routine for two nights of variety show audiences.

Lori Horton becomes the focal point between Kevin Bailer and Roe Wright in one of the Spotlighters' features.

The 1976-77 Kadettes look particularly "show biz" in their top hats and tails.

Mr. John Dilkey's stage band is always a popular segment of variety show entertainment.

In a special Kadette feature, the girls perform an Irish dance complete with kelly green costumes.
Citizens of River City anticipate the arrival of the Wells Fargo Wagon.

Harold explains to his friend Marcellus that "the sadder but wiser girl's" for him.

Harold Hill transforms a bickering school board into a harmonious quartet.

Marian Parco (Mary Neitzel) uses her own special delaying tactics to keep Charlie (Brian Turley) from catching his train.

One of the "Pick-A-Little Ladies" tells Harold Hill about Marian Parco's reputation and where a "woman's heart should be."
Among the miraculous happenings which took place in the Mooresville High School gymnasium during 1976-77 was the way the site of basketball contests, award ceremonies, and pep sessions was suddenly transformed into River City, Iowa.

Flats and props which had been under construction for several weeks were painstakingly assembled by the set crew, directors, and actors to camoflage basketball goals and foul lines and create the sleepy Iowa town made famous by the Broadway and movie productions of "Music Man."
The illusion was increased during the last week of April as each night of rehearsal added a few more costumes, microphones, spotlights, an orchestra, approval of directors Mrs. Pam Anderson and Mr. Gene Raymond, and the anticipation of applause.

Senior Dan Scharbrough was able to climax three years of supporting roles ranging from undertakers to court jesters as Harold Hill, a salesman con-artist who intended to pass through River City with some fast salesmanship before meeting librarian Marian Paroo played by Mary Neitzel and "getting his foot caught in the door." Senior Paul Gregory played the spastic Mayor Shinn, who "couldn't make himself plainer if he were a Quaker on his day off," and Freshman Laura Gajderowicz made her high school debut as his wife.

Enthusiastic audiences decided to "give River City, Iowa a try" the nights of April 29 and 30 and standing ovations as well to make the three months' work well worth the effort.
Citizens of River City are warned by Professor Harold Hill (Dan Scharbrough) that they have "t'rouble that starts with 't' and thymes with 'p' and stands for 'pool'."

Marian Paroo (Mary Neitzel), Winthrop (David Strohmeyer), and Mrs. Paroo (Paula Meo) team up for a small tribute to "Gary, Indiana."

Tommy Djilas (Randy Davis) bravely confronts Mayor Shinn (Paul Gregory) with the confession that he is dating the mayor's daughter (Beth Thatcher) behind the mayor's back even though he would rather date her "in front of his back?"

Harold Hill admits to Winthrop that he is a "liar" and a "dirty rotten cheat" but insists that there are a few other things Winthrop should know.
Teresa Farmer and Doug Empson reigned as Queen and King of the Junior-Senior Prom.

Candy Hargrove and her date wait while Mr. Gill sets up to take their prom pictures.

Scott Bryant takes a rest after working all night.

Sophomore, Scott Bryant, checks tickets at the door.

Juniors Delvin Young and Kathy Limbach were chosen as prom prince and princess.

Kathy Limbach receives her crown from Mr. Curry.

Senior, Wendell Gillenwater, saves a dance for a special person.
Camels, tents, palm trees, and flower center pieces were all used as decorations for the 1976-77 Junior-Senior prom to carry out the theme "Midnight At The Oasis."

This year's prom was held in the International Ballroom at the Airport Hilton Inn from 9:00 p.m. until midnight on May 14.

At 11:30 p.m. Teresa Farmer and Doug Empson were crowned Queen and King, while Kathy Limbach and Delvin Young were crowned Princess and Prince.

The Turnabouts provided music at the prom and pictures were taken by Gill's Studio. The pictures were taken in front of a backdrop which had an Oasis scenery painted on it.
This year's post prom, held from one o'clock to four o'clock in the morning after the prom, turned out to be a success. Although this is past many of the students', parents', and teachers' bedtimes and regular curfews, most all of them managed to stay and remain awake to see if their names would be drawn for prizes that included two televisions and a CB radio. Entertainment was provided in the way of booths where tickets could be won to be put down for other prizes. Disc jockey, Reb Porter, brought along the latest popular music, and two "girls from Egypt" performed a dance with veils. The post prom was centered around the theme "Egyptian Twilight" and put on by the parents of the Junior class. Decorations ranged from camels, cobras, spiders, to palm trees, and flowers along the Nile River. The centerpieces on the tables proved to be very cute, for they were snatched up before a half hour had gone by. When the post prom came to an end, all the kids hurried home to rest up for their picnics. What a night!
The Bob Davis team competes against another couple in a balloon relay.

Mr. Delong was one of the many parents who donated their time at the post prom.

Nick Racic and Paula Meo try to qualify for prizes to be won at the Snake Pit.

Mike Raymond and Amy Baldwin challenge Bryant Hopwood and Joni Perry to a pyramid building contest.

Disc Jockey, Reb Porter, played music and announced prize winners through 4 a.m.
Tim Crist passes the gavel on to the new student body president, Todd Hacker.

AFS sponsors, Mrs. Blickenstaff and Mrs. Roach, present foreign exchange student Arnoldo with a gift.

Mr. Overholser presents Wendall Gillenwater with the first Turn Around Award.

Cindy Thaler receives recognition for her yearbook abilities and returns a hug to Mrs. Hadley for all her help.

Four year German student, Marshall Hackett, gives Mrs. Bowman a hug.
As usual, Honors Day proved to be one of the warmer ones of the spring season as underclassmen sat in the gymnasium awaiting the arrival of the graduating class of 1977.

Among the highlights of the two-and-one-half hour program were standing ovations for some of those honored. One was for Mrs. Judy Bengston, English teacher, who was presented a plaque for her years of service at Mooresville High School. Another was for senior Dan Scharbrough upon being presented the "best actor" award for his performance in "Music Man;" and the third was for senior Wendell Gillenwater who was presented the first-time and very special "Turn aroung" award for coming back to school after dropping out and making contributions both scholastically and to the school as a whole with his artistic abilities and spirit.
One of the strange things about graduation is the way it affects the members of the same class in so many different ways. Some are ecstatic with the idea of freedom it suggests and the prospects of life after high school, while others fight back tears of sadness for the conclusion of activities and moments they enjoyed with friends with whom they may lose contact as time passes.

The graduation of the Class of 1977 (the "class with class") was ironic if only because it was conducted in 900+ temperatures following a winter which closed school seven days due to 200 below weather. Led by Valedictorian Ruth Ann Davee and Salutatorian Carolyn Franks, 235 seniors viewed a slide presentation of the year, listened to the 1977 Spotlighters sing "Try To Remember", and then accepted diplomas from Superintendant William Curry to join the ranks of MHS graduates.
George Smith prepares for commencement.

Lin Connell shows her excitement after graduation ceremonies.

Judy Richardson holds back her tears after receiving her diploma.

Valedictorian, Ruth Ann Davee and salutatorian, Carolyn Franks compare their speeches.

Lisa Morley congratulates Toby Shields on her graduation.
More than 1300 students attended Mooresville High School during 1976-77 to give a cartoonist many subjects for characters as each student contributed his individual talents, frustrations, victories, defeats, smiles, and tears to the school's environment.

It was especially easy to find subjects during school-wide participation in such events as FHA's annual Teen Angel Day and the Activity Carnival during Homecoming Week, when some were caught with "pie on their face."

Still, the daily routine of school also produced many "characters" as students reacted to the lack or abundance of "snow days," school lunches, tests, fad clothes, class meetings, homework, skits ordering class rings, and athletic events.

Turning the pages of this book will, hopefully, produce and preserve the memories of the events and situations which made these individuals become the "characters" of Mooresville High School, 1976-77.
This year was a year made of memories for the graduating class of 1977. It started out with the expense and the many long and hard hours of working on a successful float. For the second year in a row, the senior float won first place at school and at the Martinsville parade.

With the help of class sponsors, Stan Hall and Candy Roberts, and class officers, Doug Opel, Brian, Turley, Tess Patrum, and Lori Summers, ordering paddles, announcements, and caps and gowns were big highlights.

The senior class showed very much spirit during all sports activities with signs, hall decorations, and yelling their loudest at pep sessions. It all seemed to pay off with victories including Mid-State Conference Champs in football, sectional and regional championships in girls and boys basketball, plus Paul Byrnes and Nick Racic finishing state champ and runner-up in wrestling.
Rex Morley  Rhonda Murray  Jane Neitzel  Doug Opel  Dennis Owens

Jody Owens  Ivory Parsons  Tess Patrum  Debbie Pearson  Andy Pearson

Cindy Pease  Charlotte Peasley  Dan Peasley  Mark Peden  Donna Pennington

Larry Perdunn  Alan Perry  Charles Perry  Jack Perry  Pam Phillips
Dennis Owens and Jeff Byrnes discuss pie making in Senior Home Ec. Mark Williams finds it's quicker to run with three legs. George Smith and Debra Day display great concentration in Chemistry class. Robbi Pruden takes great interest in her job as receptionist. Senior Class Sponsor, Mr. Hall, as the ape says "Go Bananas." Kent Stoughton helps put up Senior Sectional hall signs. Debbie Crane takes time out for a smile. Signing yearbooks is one of Cindy Thaler's past times. Doug Opel is deep in thought while signing this yearbook.
O.E.A. 12, (Pres.); Variety Show 9, 10, 11, 12; Kadettes 9, 10, 11, 12; (Captain 12); Class Sec. 9.
TIMOTHY LEE CRIST, Art Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama Club 12; Drama Productions 12; F.C.A. 10, 11, 12, (Treas. 11, Pres. 12); German Club 9, 10; Newspaper 11, 12; Student Council President 12; Wagon Trails Revue 12; Class V. Pres. 10; Yearbook Art Editor 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12, (Captain 10, MVP 11, 12).
RUTH ANN DAVEE, F.H.A. 9; Honor Society 11, 12; O.E.A. 12; Student Council 9, 10; Variety Show 9, 10, 11, 12; Kadettes 9, 10; Homecoming Princess Candidate 9, 10; Queen Candidate 12.
SUZIE ANNETTE DAVID, A.F.S. 9; A.V. Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama Club 11; F.H.A. 11, 12, (Historian 12); German Club 9, 10, 11, 12 (Treas. 12); Musical Productions 9, 10, 11, 12; Wagon Trails Revue 11, 12; Choir 11, 12; Dance Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Pep Band 9, 10, 11, 12.
TERESA LEE DAVISSON, Honor Society 11, 12; O.E.A. 12; Social Studies Club 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 11; Track 9, 10, 11, 12.
DEBRA JEAN DAY, A.V. Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Mat Maids 11, 12; Science Club 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Pep Club 9, 10, 11; Tennis 10; Girls State Delegate.
TERESA MARIE FARMER, F.H.A. 11, 12; O.E.A. 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Homecoming Princess Candidate 11, 12; Queen Candidate 12; Pep Club 9, 10; Choir 9, 10, 11.
DONNA DIANE FINES, Honor Society 12; Musical Productions 9; Social Studies Club 12; Choir 9, 10, 11.
PAUL DAVID GREGORY, A.F.S. 9, 10; Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama Club 11, 12; Drama Productions 11, 12; F.C.A. 10, 11, 12; Pep Club 9, 10; Choir 9, 10, 11.
Teresa Lee Davison, Honor Society 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Pep Club 9, 10.
PATRICIA ANN FOLEY, Honor Society 12; D.E.C.A. 12.
TONYA ANN FORD, O.E.A. 11, 12; Pep Club 9, 10.
CAROLYN LOUISE FRANKS, A.F.S. 9, 11, 12; Honor Society 11, 12; Newspaper 12; Science Club 11, 12.
SANDRA BRADLEY GILMAN, F.H.A. 11; Pep Club 9, 10; Choir 9, 10, 11.
PAUL DAVID GREGORY, A.F.S. 9; Band 9, 10, 11, 12, (Drum Major 11, 12); Drama Club 11, 12, (Treas. 11, Pres. 12); Musical Productions 11, 12;
Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, (Sec.-Treas. 11, V. Pres. 12); Yearbook 11, 12; Variety Show 9, 10, 11, 12; Wagon Trails Revue 11, 12; Pep Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; MARSHALL ALLEN HACKETT, A.V. Club 10, 11, 12; German Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Musical Productions 11; MARY LOU HAMNER, O.E.A. 11, 12; Volleyball 10, 11; JULIA ANN HARDY, Honor Society 12; Spanish Club 9; Cadet Teacher 12.

SHELLEY JO HAYMAKER, A.F.S. 9; French Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Social Studies Club 11; Variety Show 10, 11; Wagon Trails Revue 12.

BRENDA SUE HINSON, Musical Productions 9; Pep Club 9, 10; Choir 9, 10, 11; MARTHA MAE HOAGLAND, F.F.A. 9; Pep Club 9, 10, 11, (Sec. 11); BIFF BREN HORNADAY, Band 9, 10, 11, 12; German Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Letterman's Club 12; Musical Productions 10, 11, 12; Science Club 11, 12; Variety Show 9, 10, 11, 12; Wagon Trails Revue 9, 10, 12; Dance Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Pep Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Choir 12.

KERRY LEE JACOBS, Drama Club 10, 11, 12; Student Council 10, 11; Wagon Trails Revue 11, 12; Class Pres. 9; Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Football 9.

MARGARET ROSE KELLUM, Band 9; Mat Maids 10; O.E.A. 11, 12; Variety Show 9; Kadettes 9.

DEBORAH ANN KOUNS, A.F.S. 9; Band 9, 10, 11; O.E.A. 12; Yearbook 11, 12; Wagon Trails Revue 11, 12; Kadettes 9, 10, 11, 12.

JULIE RENE LAKES, O.E.A. 11, 12.

CAROL ANN LEWIS, F.H.A. 9; Math Club 9.

DANNY LEE LONG, Drama Club 12; F.C.A. 12; Wagon Trails Revue 12.

JUANITA ELAINE LOOMIS, Band 9; O.E.A. 12; Variety Show 9; Cheerleader 9 (Capt.); Gymnastics 9, 12; Bat Girls 9.

ARNOLDO LOPES LULSDORF, A.F.S. 12; Art Club 12; Exchange Student (Brazil).

JEFFERY BRIAN McCAMMACK, A.F.S. 10; F.C.A. 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11, (V. Pres. 10); Lettermen's Club 10, 11, 12, (Sec. 11); Science Club 12; Tennis 9, 10, 11; Football 9, 10, 12; Basketball 9.

JANET LEA McCREARY, Drama Club 12; Wagon Trails Revue 12.

KIMBERLY KAY McGOWEN, F.H.A. 9, 10, 11, 12; (Treas. 12); O.E.A. 11, 12; Pep Club 10, 11; SUSAN ELIZABETH McGUIRE, Band 9, 10, 11, 12; (V. Pres. 12); German Club 9; Honor Society 11, 12; Newspaper 12; Science Club 11, 12; Social Studies Club 11; Variety Show 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 12; Track 10; Trackette 10, 11, 12.

JACQUELINE LOUISE McMATHON, Drama Club 12; German Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Health Careers 11; Wagon.
Trails Revue 12.
PAULA LYNN MEO, A.F.S. 10, Drama Club 10, 11, 12; F.H.A. 9, 10, 11; German Club 9; Honor Society 11, 12; Musical Productions 9, 10, 11, 12; Science Club 11, 12; Speech Team 9, 10; Variety Show 10, 11, 12; Wagon Trails Revue 10, 11, 12.
MARY ELLEN MOON, Band 9; F.H.A. 9, 10, 11, 12; (V. Pres. 12); O.E.A. 12; Variety Show 9, 10, 11; Gymnastics 9, 12; Choir 10, 11.
MARGARET MARIE MOORE, Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10; Variety Show 9, 10, 11, 12; Pep Club 9, 10, 11; Track 9, 10, 11, 12.
RHONDA DONITA MURRAY, Art Club 10, 11; Drama Club 11; F.H.A. 9, 10; Musical Productions 9, 10, 12; O.E.A. 11; Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Variety Show 9, 10, 11; Wagon Trails Revue 12.
JANE SAUCERMAN NEITZEL, Band 9, 10, (Sec Pres.) F.H.A. 9, 10; Cheerleader 9; Pom-Pom Squad 9, 10; Volleyball 9, 10; Basketball 10; Pep Club 9, 10.
DOUGLAS EDWARD OPEL, F.C.A. 12; Honor Society 11, 12; Lettermen's Club 9, 10, 11, 12; (Treas. 10, Sec. 11); Class V. Pres. 9, Pres. 10, 11, 12; Football 9, 10, 11, 12; (Co-Capt. 12); Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; (Co-Capt. 12); Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12.
DENNIS DALE OWENS, Art Club 11, Football 9, 12; Baseball 9; Wrestling 9.
TERESA LEE PATRUM, A.F.S. 10; F.H.A. 10; Newspaper 11, 12, (Editor 12); Science Club 12; Wagon Trails Revue 12; Cheerleader 9, 10, 12; Class Treas. 12; Bat Girls 9, 10; Gymnastics 9.

ANDREW LEE PEARSON, Drama Club 9, 10, 11; German Club 9, 10; Health Careers 11, 12; Art Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Science Club 11, 12; Speech Team 9, 10, 11, 12; Variety Show 9, 10, 11, 12; Wagon Trails Revue 11, 12; Musical Productions 9, 10, 11; Wagon Trails Revue 11; German Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama Club 12; Musical Productions 11, 12; Wagon Trails Revue 12; Cheerleader 9.

JANET BYRNES PRICE, A.V. Club 11.

JEFF CRAFT pulls down one of 40 rebounds in Regional competition. Brian Turley portrays an anvil salesman in the musical.
Class Sponsors, Candy Roberts and Stan Hall, are shown working on the Senior Paper.
Senior girls are shown working in the office lab.
Gene Hawkins finds a new way to express an editorial comment.
Susie David concentrates on finishing musical costumes.
Wendell Gillenwater displays what memories are made of.
Class officers, Doug Opel, Tess Patrum, Brian Turley, and Lori Summers get to try on caps and gowns first.
Seniors display their strength in winning the tug-o-war. Cindy Pease and Paul Byrnes can’t hold their emotions back after Paul becomes State Champ.

Happiness results in crying for Marsha Willoughby at the Regionals. Seniors show off their spirit by building a “pyramid” for class competition.

Senior cheerleaders and basketball players line up with their parents at recognition night.

Paul Gregory portrays the mayor of River City in “The Music Man.”
It's three years down and one to go for the class of 78. This year the class was led by President, Jim Bagley; Vice-President, Delvin Young; Secretary, Mary Neitzel; and Treasurer, Gay Howell.

Mrs. Clarissa Snapp continued as class sponsor, and Mr. Robert Grosskreutz joined in. Mary Neitzel represented the class in Homecoming princess competition. The Junior float placed third at the Martinsville Fall Foliage Festival and second at Homecoming with the theme "Victory is Sweet."

To raise money for the prom, the class of 78's biggest money making project was selling magazines. In addition, they sold concessions at many of the year's athletic events.
David DeLong plays the miner, in the skit "My Darlin' Clementino."
Endurance

Chris Frazier
Mike Freed
Donna Gaddis
Ray Garner
Larry Gerhanoff
Linda Gipson
John Giordano

Mona Goldman
Jeff Goodman
Harold Gott
Mike Gray
Linda Grebel
Carla Greeson
Felicia Gregory

Chuck Griffith
Wayne Grubb
Brian Gunnell
Todd Hacker
Lori Hadlock
Eddy Hall
Mike Hall

Jan Hambright
Trish Harlow
Buddy Harris
Dan Harris
Duane Harris
Kevin Harris
Cheri Harrison

Brenda Harshey
Mike Hawkins
Trina Hayes
Angie Headley

Beth Henderson
Tammy Hendrickson
Alex Heyartz
Scott Hickerson

Kim Hill
Sheila Hollar
Bryant Hopwood
Pam Hornaday

Jay Hoseclaw
Gay Howell
Rick Hudson
Mary Hughes

Wanda Cherry works hard on her Algebra assignment.
Class sponsors Clarissa Shope and Bob Grosskreutz are more than sponsors, they're friends.
Leadership

Margo Miller
Mark Miller
Mike Miller
Mike Millet
Joanie Monical
Marla Montgomery
Cherie Moore

Don Moore
George Moore
Pat Morton
Thalia Mullins
Dona Mumaw
Becky Murray
Tammy Murray

Crystal Neal
Mary Neitzel
Connie Newby
Pam Newgent
Clint Norris
Todd Nowlin
Matt Oley

Rick Overton
Allen Partlow
Brad Patterson
Paul Peasley
Jeanie Perry
Mike Phillips
Ronda Phillips

Brad Pierson
Greg Plunkett
Bob Polson
Wayne Poynter
John Pritchard
Sam Pugh
Sandy Raikes

Pam Rainbolt
Jeff Ramsey
Bev Randolph
Mike Raymond
Don Reichard
Scott Remster
Pam Richardson

Pat Richardson
Brent Richer
Bobie Riggs
Tim Ringer
Sam Roberts
Ken Robinson
Tom Robling

Brenda Ruston
Tammy Russell
Bill Sappington
Robin Sarkine
Rick Sawyers
Diana Schwartz
Anetta Scott
David Scott
Shelly Scott
Karen Silcox
Jeff Smith
Donna Spears
Tom Spencer
Anna Stamps
Gary Sterrett
Patty Stich
Lisa Strohmeyer
Tina Stroud
Mike Sullivan
Kitti Swaney
Lisa Talley
Brian Taylor
Mark Taylor
Beth Thatcher
Darrell Trisler
Deanna Trogdon
Cindy Troper
Sharyn Truskowski

Class officers Gay Howell, Jim Bagley, Mary Neitzel, and Delphin Young.

Mike Phillips mentally prepares himself before track meet, cross country run.

Pam Hornaday is crowned Junior Class Princess in the Queen Trails Review.
Determination

Frances Trusty
Jane Tucker
Tammy Turner
Cindy Van Hoy
Beth Vaughn
John Wagaman
Michael Wagner

Randy Waldrip
Debbie Walters
Debbie Warren
Russell Warthen
Geri Watson
Mike Welty
Kim Wesner

Beth Wheeler
Brian Whitaker
Debra Whitaker
Don White
Theresa Whitney
Dara Williams
David Williams

Patty Stich displays her technique in the egg toss contest.
Iva Willis
Danny Willner
Greg Wingate

Sandy Winters
Carl Wirey
Bud Wiser

Lonnie Wissel
Tim Withycombe
Kim Witt

Joan Wright
Chanie Young
Delvin Young

Brad Bailey runs the last leg of the piggy-back relay, with Sandy Kingham holding on tight.

Ralph Bartlett and Jan Heinbricht, like many other Juniors, work in the concession stand to make money for the prom.

A happy Mike Breedon wins Regionals, and brings a smile to "Madman" Quaffitz.

Cindy Lee Horn and John Kittl Swinney prepare her escort for the 1966 Wagon Trails Review.
The Sophomore Class added many memories during their second year at MHS. It was highlighted by Debbie Allison’s representation in the Homecoming princess contest; by the crowning of Debbie Slaughter as Wagon Trails princess; third place in the float competition; participation by many outstanding athletes; and receiving the long-awaited class rings. With the help of prominent class officers and distinguished sponsors, 1977 was a good year for Class of ’79.

Scott Anderson
Raymond Andrews
Kimberly Arnold
Mark Austin
Mike Austin
Dana Bailar

John Bailey
Tom Bailey
Rhonda Bain
Kevin Baker
LaDonna Baker
Mike Baker
Kent Barger

Lisa Barton
Theresa Bean
Ruth Ann Bear
Debbie Beaver
Tim Bell
Terry Bender
Mike Bennett

Tim Bennett
Chuck Bertram
Kenny Berwick
Scott Biggerstaff
Linda Billings
Larry Bishop
Julie Bivin

Doug Black
Rex Blackwell
Michelle Bleckel
Brenda Boggs
Patrick Boles
David Borden
Brian Bowman

Denise Abbott
Robbie Adams
Terri Adams

Joe Allen
Pam Allender
Debbie Allison

Jeff Allsup
Barbara Alsop
Faith Amick
The Sophomore Class' outstanding feature was their enthusiasm and their desire to be the most vigorous class ever at MHS. They dominated nearly all the spirit contests, from pyramid building to receiving the spirit stick innumerable times during the year.

Jane Crafton
Brian Craig

Chris Cramer
Jackie Crawford

Rick Crisp
Mike Curry

Lynn Davee
Linda David
Randy Davis
Scott Davis
Brian Day
Mike Dorris

Chip Dudine
Ranae Dulaney
Chuck Edwards
Robin Ehle
Sherry Ely
Mark Enochs

Melanie Eubank
Jackie Even
Leslie Farmer
Christine Featherston
Tracy Fields
Tim Fischer

Debbie Fisher
Nyla Fleener
Karl Fluke
Beth Flynn
Debbie Ford
Terri Ford

The spirited Sophomore class wins yet another spirit award.
Participation

Tony Hastings
Lene Hastings
Dorinda Hayes

Veronica Heald
Charles Hennigar
Tomas Heyartz

Dawn Hill
Lisa Hillman
Debbie Hollan

Jeff Hollars
Lori Horton
Pam Hunt
Barry Ingle
Cindy Jacobs
Brenda Jenkins
John Jerin

Jana Johnson
Julia Johnson
Chris Jones
Penny Jordan
Brian Justus
Bruce Justus
Stacey Justice

Julie Kays
Kelly Kays
Merrilee Kearns
Myra Kimmel
Micheal Kincaid
Steve Kincaid
Jackie King

Shannon Kirtley
Pam Knight
Robin Koonce
Laura Kopetsky
Linda Kopetsky
Jeff Kottkamp
Debbie Lanham

David Lashey
Diane Lasley
Max Lawrence
Cliff Lee
Lyle Leisen
Susan Leitzell
Kim Lineback

David Newcomer relaxes during the annual yearbook dance.
Christine Lloyd
Marilyn Lockhart
Dawn Lockwood
Barbara Lundy
Phyllis Lybarger
Greg Lynch
Mike MacKenzie

Marty Mann
Bill Manuel
David Martin
David Mascher
John Mattingly
Judi May
Dean Mayfield

Terry Mays
Susan McClaskey
David McCorkle

Debbie McCrady
Tim McGowen
Paul McKinney

David Miller
Ginger Miller
Jeffrey Miller

The Sophomore class was lead by president Joe Copeland; vice-president, Bruce Curry; secretary, Tammy Saltz, and treasurer, Nancy Sterrett.

Mr. Jim Bradshaw and Mrs. Judy Bradshaw helped the Sophomores through another successful year.

Debbie Slaughter was crowned Sophomore Princess in the 1976 Wagon Trails Revue.
Virginia Mullins  
Jimmy Mullis  
Don Mumaw  
Gina Murphy  
Kathy Murphy  
Raejean Murphy  
Sharon Murphy  
Merry Jo Mynatt  
Geno Myrick  
Rhonda Nay  
Gary Neal  
David Newcomer  
Beth Newhouse  
Mike Norton  
Leon Organ  
Troy Parrott  
Jackie Parsons  
Mike Patterson  
Cindy Pedigo  
Jeff Pelance  
Diana Pennington  
Doug Perry  
Joni Perry  
Rita Perry  
Louie Phillips  
Melissa Phillips  
Polly Phillips  
Beth Piepenbrink  
Glenn Pope  
Mark Price  
Renee Priebe  
Candice Pugh  
Tom Pugh  
Sherry Ransom  
Devota Reeves

John Minardo  
Jr. Mitchem  
Debbie Mohr  
Kenneth Moore  
Tim Moore  
Marsha Morgan  
Lisa Morley  
Tammy Morris  
Renee Mowery
Expression

Sandy Stringer
Eric Strohmeyer

Jody Stuck
Sandy Swanson

Tony Sweet
Marcia Swinney

Eugene Swope
Larry Taber

Laura Taylor
Charlotte Thompson
Cindy Thurman
Kenny Thurmond

Gregg Tipton
Kim Topie
Kevin Trosper
James Tyree

Pam Whitney channels some of her Sophomore enthusiasm into an art project.

Dawn Rill channels her artistic talent into Sophomore enthusiasm.
Karen Ulrich
Licia VanHook
Brian VanHoy

Terri VanSlyke
John Waddell
Johnnie Walker

Alicia Ward
Pam Warriner
Wayne Watson
Charlotte West
Richard Wheasler
Roxanne White

Tommy White
Becky Whitney
Pam Whitney
Lora Williams
Patty Williams
Tim Williams

Tommy Williams
Holly Williamson
Jeanette Wilson
Andy Wingate
Doris Winters
Roe Wright

Sophomore Spanish students Pam Sells and Skip Burelson enjoy a Spanish dish — tacos.
Acceptance

Brian Adams
Jeff Akers
Laura Akers
Doug Allen
Laura Allen
Tonia Altemeyer
James Anderson

Todd Anderson
Roger Andrews

Joe Angel
Julie Angel

Karen Applegate
Tammy Armstrong

Beth Ann Arthur
Joyce Arthur

Michelle Arthur
Joe Arvin

Donald Ash
Carol Atkins
Larry Atwood
William Austin
Cindy Bagley
Candis Bailey
Diane Bailey

Anthony Baker
Bruce Baker
Peggy Balay
Amy Baldwin
Carrie Bantley
John Barks
Debbie Barry
The freshman class entered a new atmosphere in the halls of MHS. Each one had a unique personality and each learned to develop his individual character to fit his new life style.

Finding that high school was much different from the familiar Jr. High routine, the class of '80 had to readjust their thoughts for the complete change. Class officers were elected to lead the class through their first year. Bruce Law was chosen President; Angie Walls, Vice President; Sandy Welker, Secretary; and Vicki Copeland, Treasurer.
Challenges

Band members Mike Habig and Doug Casey display the fourth place State Marching trophy.

Bruce Law, Angie Walls, Sandy Welker, and Vickie Copeland served as officers for the class of '80.
Helen Fisher
Rhonda Fleener
Nancy Forbes
Mary Forester
Deanna Fox
Arlene Franks
Lee Ann Frazer
Laura Gajderowicz
Rick Garrard
David Garrison
Mark Gentry
Susan George
Jennie Gershanoff
David Gibson

Lisa Gibson
Mark Gibson
Thomas Gibson

Tim Glasgo
Marcella Goldman
DeWayne Gooley

Jeff Gossett
Kathleen Gregory
Richard Gregory

Mr. Pearson seems to be "choking" around with his new
Jeff Whitney.

Joni Griffin
Cathy Griffith
James Gross
Mike Habig
Randy Hacker
Darci Hadley
Jeanette Hall

Sally Hamilton
Stanley Hamner

Lisa Haught
Damon Hardy

Danny Harless
Johnny Harris

Don Wilson, Steve Horton, and James Vinson study a CB
radio.
Newcomers

Kathy Harris
Debra Hassell
Phyllis Haugh
Lisa Haught

Diane Hawkins
Stephanie Heald
Mike Henderson
Tim Henderson

Mary Hennigar
Brian Hillman
Violet Hoagland
Barbara Hood

Kelvin Hornaday
Terry Hornaday
Steve Horton
Richard Huffman
Tracy Hunter
Norman Hutcheson
Lonnie Hutsell

Phyllis Hyatt
Richard Ingle
Steve Ingle

Elizabeth Jaggers
Sheila Jenkins
Barry Johnson

Kristine Johnson
Melissa Johnson
Mike Johnson

Mike Johnson
Judy Kaufman
Sherri Kearley

Members of the freshman class work on spirit signs to support the basketball team.
Toni Mayfield didn't pay any attention to the fact that two Eminence players were trying to stop her from scoring.
Encounters

Mike McGowen  
Gerald McKinney  
Mike McQueen

Delores McWhorter  
Marlon Mann  
Michele Mann

Donna Many  
Donna Martin  
Bobby Massey

Dale Matthews  
Fred May  
Toni Mayfield

William Meade  
Joseph Meo  
Amy Miller

Kip Miller  
India Moon  
Vince Moore

Bruce Mynatt  
Brent Myrick  
Debra Neal

Marcia Neitzel  
Margaret Norman  
Doug Norris

Rhonda Opel glances through a yearbook with a friend.

Mark Gentry represents the class of '80 during the banana eating contest.
Janna Smith
Michael Snyder
James Soots
Phyllis Soots
Aaron Sowders
Robert Spaulding
Phillip Spears
Gayle Spillman
Perry Stapleton
Sharon Stapleton
Greg Staten
Tim Stewart
Robin Stone
Yolanda Stone
Jackie Stroud
Leann Taylor
Gary Telford
Alan Terry
Mark Thaler
Danny Thomas
Terri Thompson
Eric Towns
Melinda Trotter
James Troxell
Brian Turpin
Dale Tyree
David Upton
Anthony Vandevanter

Damon Van Hook
Jeffrey Vanoy
Tamera Wagner

Russell Waldrip
Pam Walker
Rodney Walker

Angie Walls
Debbie Walls
Richard Walls

Brian Wamsley
LaDonna Waterman
Julie Webb
Paul Weddle  
Sandy Welker  
Irvine West  
Marcia Whitaker  
Jeff Whitney  
Mark Wilcher  
Mike Wilcher  

Jenny Williams  
Lisa Williams  
Terry Williams  
Jay Willis  
Randy Willner  
Donald Wilson  
Owen Wilson  

Kevin Witt  
Joe Wolanski  
David Worland  
Cliff Wright  
Harold Wright  
Donna Young  
Lori Young  

Freshman class sponsors, Mrs. Lizette Harrington and Mr. Mike Frederick, encourage the freshmen to promote school spirit with pep signs. Laura Gajderowicz represents the freshman class in the spring musical as the mayor’s wife, Eulalie MacKecknie Shinn. Singing “White Bird” at Wagon Trails Revue is freshman Sally Hamilton.
The success of sports in 1976-77 was due mainly to hard work, determination, a lot of time, and a competitive spirit. There were many rewards. Mid-State Conference titles were fought for and won by the tennis, football, basketball, and wrestling teams. Excitement mounted with each new win. The cross country team was Morgan County Champ.

The wrestlers were very successful, for they won the Holiday and Warren Central Tourneys, Sectionals, and Regionals. The energy level continued to rise as they placed third in Semi-State and State. Paul Byrnes placed first in state competition, while Nick Racic placed second.

What appeared to be just another year turned out to be a very satisfying season for the Pioneer basketball teams. The Reserve team started the season by winning the Mooresville Invitational; the girls team won Sectionals and Regionals for the second consecutive year; and the Varsity team finished the season by taking the Sectional and Regional titles.
The 1976 Pioneer varsity football team finally succeeded in clinching its first Mid-State Conference Championship since the joining of it in 1944! Under the pressures of the final deciding game against Greenwood, our mighty players battled for a 7-2 victory over the tough opposing team. "I was excited for our kids, because they were the ones that always thought we could win while others throughout the area doubted us," explained rookie head coach Denny Pelley.

Small in size but great in abilities, this team proved their strength to opposing rivals. Bob Smalling surprised Plainfield with a 36 yard field goal in the final 18 seconds to break the tie for a 16-14 win.

A 92 kick-off return touchdown scored by Doug Opel aided in defeating Speedway 13-3. Also at this game, Smalling booted a field goal 46 yards to set a new school record. The varsity's defense led the conference and area by allowing only 6.4 points per game to set another new record.

Opel, Smalling, Mike Smith, Brad Bailey, Mike Breeden, and Ray Garner were selected as All-Conference players. With coaches Don Pope, Jim Hammel, and Dennis Turner helping Coach Pelley; next year should prove to be as exciting and rewarding as the outcome of this great 1976 season!
a- With Opel assisting, Smalling kicks the winning points to defeat Plainfield.
b- The huddle breaks in anticipation of the next play.
c- Brad "Beetle" Bailey catches a pass as a Hornet defender approaches.
d- Larry Lundy enthusiastically roots the Pioneers on.
e- David Newcomer receives assistance due to a possible injury.
f- Coach Pelley is happy after a good play.
g- Scott Remster powerfully knocks the Trojan opponent out of his way.
h- Mike Breeden takes off to gain yardage against Brown County.
i- Mike Smith kicks a strong punt in the Greenwood game.
j- After a handoff to Rex Morley, Doug Opel watches the play.
k- The First MHS Football Mid-State Champs!
a-1976 MHS Reserve Football Team.
b-In their stances, the reserve offense await the signals from quarterback, Joe Copeland.
c-1976 MHS Freshman Football Team.
d-A lonely football helmet sits the bench in anticipation of victory.
e-Injured Joe Copeland is being helped off the field during the Reserve victory over Edgewood.
f-Coach Silver outlines freshman strategy during half-time.

Dennis Turner, an ex-equipment manager for the Indianapolis Indians baseball team, ended his rookie season as Pioneer Reserve Football Coach impressively. In spite of the fact that the team's record included losses that outnumbered the wins, Coach Turner's attention was directed toward experiencing players to play on the varsity level.

A small team limited the full strength of the team requiring players to participate on both defensive and offensive teams, but at the same time allowing more playing time for each man; thus contributing to Coach Turner's attitude that they were "working for the varsity." However, Kevin Simmons looked at it from a different perspective--that "they (the varsity) used us to kind of romp over." Then after a brief hesitation, he added, "But we were told not to think of it that way."

The Pioneer reserve football team ended their 1976 season with a final record of three wins, four losses, and one tie.

With an opening game victory over a tough Fulton team, the MHS freshman football team started its 1976 season. The record of 4-5 did not reveal the hard work involved by these boys and their coaches, Greg Silver and Bob Ruble. Coach Silver explained, "We worked hard on fundamentals and eliminating mental mistakes. By playing everyone on the freshman level, all the boys gained the experience needed to continue success on the varsity level."

This team, like the varsity and reserve, seemed always to be outsized by their opponents. Playing against Center Grove, they proved that size does not always matter. The freshmen team beat the undefeated Trojans 7-0 with Ron Preston scoring the touchdown and extra point. At Ritter, Steve Cohen played an outstanding game as he scored all four touchdowns to demolish them 27-12. Brent Myrick was responsible for many fine punts throughout the season, and Rusty Burke was praised for his numerous fumble recoveries.
The Pioneer harriers had a prosperous 1976 season. Coach Dan Havens, putting his team of six returning lettermen up against rival Martinsville, came out on top in the Morgan County championship race. Leading the Pioneers in the exciting event was Tim Crist, who was an individual co-champion. Havens viewed this contest as the most exciting in the season.

Other impressive feats were noted when Mike Phillips placed fifteenth in the Brazil Invitational, and also when the junior placed fourteenth in the sectional with a time of 12:40. A new school record was set by senior Tim Crist when he finished with a time of 12:24 at the county meet.

The Mooresville runners compiled a dual record of 2-5. Their victories were against the Center Grove and Monrovia teams. At the meet with Center Grove, Phillips was the top runner with a time of 14:10. Against Monrovia, Crist had the best finishing time, 13:08. In both three-way contests the team finished second. Tim Crist was Mooresville's top runner in these meets, placing second twice. Our cross country runners entered one four-way meet and finished fourth. The best spot held by the Pioneers was twelfth.
a-The harriers set out at the sound of the gun.
b-The 1976 Cross Country Team 
c-Williams and Hickerson successfully finish the race.
d-Hall runs across the finish line.
e-Four team members practice hard.
f-Hickerson flies to a finish.
g-Crist enjoys some shade on the course.
h-Crist gives his opponent a good run.
i-Practice makes perfect for Price.
j-Four runners head for home.
k-It's a close race between Crist and Phillips.

Dual Meets

Greencastle 17 MOORESVILLE 43
Plainfield 25 MOORESVILLE 35
MOORESVILLE 22 Center Grove 35
Greenwood 21 MOORESVILLE 39
Whiteland 13 MOORESVILLE 48
Cascade 19 MOORESVILLE 36
Avon 23 MOORESVILLE 36
MOORESVILLE 21 Monrovia 34

3-Way Meets

Edgewood 19 Eminence 35
MOORESVILLE 38 MOORESVILLE 38
Brown County 56 Danville 53

4-Way Meet

Decatur 25 Brownsburg 38
Speedway 97 MOORESVILLE 109

Tournaments

Brazil Invitational 8th
Morgan County 1st
Brownsburg Invitational 4th
Mid-State 7th
Sectional 11th
a-"Piep" makes a clean shot to the opponents.
b-Debbie Day twists into her shot.
c-Teri Denny puts out extra effort.
d-Toby Shields pulls Dara Williams back into the game.
e-Dee Ann Ramey stretches to "put it over."
f-Linda Grebe attacks with victory in mind.
g-Lee Ann Hadley bends over backward for a crucial shot.
h-1976 Girl's Varsity Volleyball Team.
i-Strategy is carefully planned.
j-1976 Girl's Reserve Volleyball Team.
k-Deep concentration goes into Dee Ann Ramey's shot.

1976 VARSITY VOLLEYBALL SCOREBOARD

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A hard-working group of girls with individual goals brought a varsity volleyball record of 5-10 to MHS this year. Halfway through the season, they beat Plainfield, which is a moment often remembered by coach Roseanna Murdock and assistant coach Barbara Kacmar.

An exciting event of the season involved playing against Tri-West in a three game match. The coach comments, "The girls showed a lot of skill even though we lost in an overtime game 16-14. They did a fantastic job in playing together."

The most valuable player was chosen for her skill, spirit, leadership, and attitude. Karen Smith received this honor and also represented our school on the mid-state volleyball team.

A crazy moment that won't be forgotten by Beth Piepenbrink took place during an early match of the season. Piep, her nickname, hit the ball high into the air toward the ceiling and lost the game. The ball went up and failed to come down.

The reserve team ended the season with a 5-8 record. Although both teams failed to obtain winning records, it sounds like they had a lot of fun. Here is just one enthusiastic comment from a team member, Debbie Day, "Fantastic! I loved it!"
"Paul Byrnes-1st, Nick Racic-2nd, and MHS-3rd" greatly expressed the outcome of the Pioneer Wrestling team's 1976-77 victorious season. Coach Randy Qualitza wound up his tenth year of coaching coming still closer to being the "#1" team in Indiana. Paul Byrnes exclaimed, "It's like a dream come true; it feels great to win!" about reaching his goal as MHS's 1977 STATE CHAMPION!

Most wrestling fans will never forget this exciting, undefeated season nor the five tournament victories. Memorable matches include: Kevin Simmon's 10-7 decision over Carnes (DC) to grasp his first Sectional title, a second place in the Sectional and Regional for Steve Dunham as he grappled two close matches against Galyan (M)—the 1977 State Champ, a great Sectional performance by Brad Bailey against Morgan (P) as he came from behind in the last 30 seconds to win 7-4, Paul Byrnes' toughest match in the semi-final round of STATE when he fell behind Bussell (NC) but came back to win by a fall in 3:24. Because of these matches and tournament victories, MHS was ranked the "#1" team during the season!

Coach Qualitza's enthusiasm never died as he explained, "There are only two tourneys we haven't won: Semi-State and State. We've won all the rest. Our goal next year is naturally to win the BIG TWO!"

1976-77 VARSITY WRESTLING SCOREBOARD

| MOORESVILLE | 64 | Speedway | 6 |
| MOORESVILLE | 55 | Marshall | 6 |
| MOORESVILLE | 32 | Greenwood | 28 |
| MOORESVILLE | 49 | Center Grove | 10 |
| MOORESVILLE | 57 | Plainfield | 9 |
| MOORESVILLE | 28 | Martinsville | 17 |
| MOORESVILLE | 56 | Terre Haute S. | 6 |
| MOORESVILLE | 28 | Beech Grove | 17 |
| MOORESVILLE | 41 | Decatur Central | 18 |

WARREN CENTRAL CHAMPIONS

HOLIDAY CLASSIC CHAMPIONS

MID-STATE CONF. CO-CHAMPIONS with Greenwood

SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

SEMI-STATE-3rd place

STATE-3rd place
a- Showing his championship form, senior co-captain Paul Byrnes works for still another pin.
b- 1976-77 SECTIONAL & REGIONAL CHAMPS!
c- Don White is well in control of his match during the finals of Sectionals.
d- Senior co-captain Steve Dunham attempts to take down Galyan (M) during Sectional finals.
e- Using his great wrestling abilities, senior Nick Racic pins his man at STATE!
f- Brad Bailey works for an escape.
g- Mike Breeden jumps in victory after winning his first Regional Championship!
h- Getting control of his opponent, David Delong fights for a near fall.
i- Mike Hawkins tries to turn Rippy (M) for a fall in the Sectional finals.
j- Kevin Simmons grapples for a pin.
k- Coach Qualitza catches Nick after he pins his way to STATE!
a-1976-77 Reserve Wrestling Team.
b-1976-77 Freshman Wrestling Team.
c-Jeff Bullman shows good form as he works for a needed pin.
d-Bruce Justice fights for a reversal.
e-Randy Ellington pulls his opponent back for a fall.
f-Waiting for the referee's call Kelly Caruso patiently holds his opponent in a pinning position.
g-Scott Caruso decides which hold to pin his opponent with.

"The future is definitely in good hands," says Reserve Wrestling Coach Tony Lawrence when referring to how his reserve wrestling team will react next year when they graduate to varsity. Coach Lawrence added that "the past two years were just building blocks for the future and with this reserve team we have a very good chance to win state next year."

Indeed they may at that; there are good omens such as the team's 7-2 season record and two team championships in the highly competitive Bloomington South and Mid-State tournaments. Also, the Pioneer grapplers added to Coach Lawrence's optimism with a "sounding victory" over Martinsville in a revenge match against the Artesians after both teams came to a tie in 1975. But, according to Mr. Lawrence, what really "put a feather in our cap" was when the reserve wrestlers traveled to Brown County for a triple-dual meet against three varsity teams: Brown County, Decatur South, and Decatur North. Surprisingly, Mooresville won!

"There's just more interest in wrestling here at MHS," explained rookie freshman coach Bob Ruble about his winning team. Despite many freshman antics and mischievousness, they somehow settled down to a victorious season of 6 wins and 4 losses.

This team started their season with the traditional Center Grove Invitational. Before this tournament, Jeff Bullman recalled, "Many of us began to realize that within days we would be out on a mat in front of parents and friends—all expecting us to win. We all began to realize that there was a tradition (of winning) to be lived up to that many before us had set."

These freshman wrestlers proved their abilities as they won the tournament bringing home the Pioneers sixth Invitational trophy. Placing first for MHS were Greg Davidson, Rodney Walker, Jeff Bullman, and Kelly Caruso; Billy Breeden and Randy Ellington won second place.
It had been 11, 22, and 33 years since a Mooresville basketball team had won a Sectional, Mid-State, or Regional title, but the 1976-77 edition of Pioneer basketball accomplished all three.

Led by only two seniors, Doug Opel and Jeff Craft, the team had some disappointing losses to end the season with only a 10-10 record but still managed to tie for the Mid-State title.

After disposing of Plainfield, the Pioneers faced Brownsburg in the final game of sectional competition, a team that had defeated them 19 points in season play. In an exciting battle which changed leads many times, the Pioneers came through in the end with a spectacular defensive effort by Fred Settle and a pair of free throws by Jim Bagley to take the first MHS Sectional championship since 1966!

In Regional competition at Frankfort, the Pioneers defeated North Montgomery 58-48 to advance to the finals against Frankfort. In one of their best games of the season, the Pioneers defeated the Hot Dogs' 23-1 record (the best in Indiana) 59-56. Highlights of the day included Jeff Craft's 50 points and 40 rebounds, and the naming of four Pioneers to the All-Regional team: Jim Bagley, Doug Opel, Jeff Craft (also most valuable player for the season), and Fred Settle most improved.

1976-77 VARSITY BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

| MOORESVILLE | 87 | Monrovia | 36 |
| Speedway | 53 | MOORESVILLE | 42 |
| MOORESVILLE | 83 | Beech Grove | 50 |
| MOORESVILLE | 81 | Plainfield | 50 |
| Martinsville | 62 | MOORESVILLE | 49 |
| MOORESVILLE | 74 | Center Grove | 38 |
| MOORESVILLE | 66 | Decatur Central | 49 |
| Brownsburg | 68 | MOORESVILLE | 49 |
| Green castle | 45 | MOORESVILLE | 41 |
| MOORESVILLE | 74 | Whiteland | 65 |
| Columbus E. | 49 | MOORESVILLE | 35 |
| MOORESVILLE | 70 | Greenwood | 68 |
| MOORESVILLE | 92 | Danville | 69 |
| MOORESVILLE | 58 | Cascade | 54 |
| Brebeuf | 70 | MOORESVILLE | 64 |
| MOORESVILLE | 60 | Avon | 69 |
| Indian Creek | 71 | MOORESVILLE | 63 |
| Cloverdale | 55 | MOORESVILLE | 50 |
| Bloomington Holiday Tour | 44 |
| MOORESVILLE | 71 | Plainfield | 54 |
| MOORESVILLE | 50 | Brownsburg | 48 |
| MOORESVILLE | 58 | N. Montgomery | 48 |
| MOORESVILLE | 59 | Frankfort | 56 |
| S.B. LaSalle | 51 | SEMI-STATE | 35 |
a- Reserve starts the year out right by winning the Mooresville Reserve Tourney.

b- Kevin Witt goes for a lay-up.

c- 1976-77 Reserve Basketball Team.

d- Wayne Watson takes steady aim for important points.

e- Mark Rutledge shoots over his opponents.

f- 1976-77 Freshman A-team.

g- 1976-77 Freshman B-team.

h- Allan McGuire sets up a pass.

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1976-77 RESERVE BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

| MOORESVILLE | Edgewood | Brebeuf |
| MOORESVILLE | Monrovia | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Beech Grove | MOORESVILLE |
| Speedway | Plainfield | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Center Grove | MOORESVILLE |
| Martinsville | Decatur Central | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Brownsburg | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Columbus East | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Indian Creek | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Danville | MOORESVILLE |
| MMORESVILLE | Center Grove | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Brownsburg | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Cloverydale | MOORESVILLE |

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FRESHMAN A-TEAM SCOREBOARD

| MOORESVILLE | Plainfield | Center Grove |
| MOORESVILLE | Speedway | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Indian Creek | MOORESVILLE |
| Danville | MOORESVILLE | Danville |
| MOORESVILLE | Brownsburg | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Cloverydale | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Monrovia | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Danville | MOORESVILLE |
| MOORESVILLE | Brownsburg | MOORESVILLE |
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FRESHMAN B-TEAM SCOREBOARD

| Plainfield | Center Grove | MOORESVILLE |
| Whiteland | MOORESVILLE | MOORESVILLE |
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| MOORESVILLE | MOORESVILLE | MOORESVILLE |
| Martinsville | MOORESVILLE | MOORESVILLE |
| Greenwood | MOORESVILLE | MOORESVILLE |

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The reserve basketball team had a tremendous year due to the fact that it consisted of hard workers. They finished the season with a record of fifteen wins and five losses.

An exciting game played with Greencastle involved a great comeback for the Pioneers, for they were down twelve points at the half and ended up winning by seven points.

Don France was consistent throughout the year and led the team in scoring and rebounding. Joe Copeland came on strong the last half of the year to become the second leading scorer. Dan Even was the team's leader and ranked at the top with his assists and free throws.

The season opened with a 4-way tournament including Mooresville, Brebeuf, Eminence, and Edgewood. Mooresville swept the other teams away when they won the championship game against Brebeuf with a score of 56-38.

The freshman basketball teams compiled records of 6-8 for the A-team and 6-5 for the B-team for their first year of high school basketball. Everyone got in a lot of playing time since there wasn't a set starting five. Coach John Riley said the greatest accomplishment was learning team play...how to put up with one another and get along with one another.

The important wins were against Monrovia and Greenwood, for the freshman had lost to them just last year in junior high. The most exciting game was played with Brownsburg when Mooresville won in a dynamic overtime.

On the A-team, Bruce Law was the playmaker, while Kevin Witt was an all-around good player. Brent Myrick had the ability to help the team out of tight situations, and Ron Preston worked as a spark to get them going when they were down. Tim Stewart was a good offensive man, and Mike Johnson was the defensive man. Danny Young was a steady ball handler, and Gary Telford was the main rebounder.
The varsity girls basketball team had another outstanding season. With a record of 15 wins and only 3 losses, the squad added another sectional and regional trophy to their collection. The team's losses came against Plainfield and Center Grove in the regular season and against Mount Vernon in the disappointing first game of the Semi-State. They defeated Eminence, Greencastle, and Cloverdale to take the Sectional title, and defeated Bedford North Lawrence and Van Buren in regional play to lay claim to their second championship. The 1976-1977 team consisted of seven returning lettermen and was very balanced in scoring. In two games this year there were four girls who scored in double figures. The squad averaged a 13-point winning margin with 51 points per game while their opponents averaged 38 points per game. They had a season total of 909 points; the opponents had 689.

The reserve team also had a winning record of 8 wins and 4 losses even though they were hampered by injuries throughout the season. The squad was defeated by teams from Northwest, Speedway, Plainfield, and Whiteland. Toni Mayfield led the team in scoring with a total of 88 points and also led in steals with 63. Lee Ann Taylor led the team in rebounds with 60 for the season.
RESERVE SCOREBOARD

MOORESVILLE 18 Danville 14
MOORESVILLE 15 Indian Creek 11
MOORESVILLE 14 Tri-West 12
MOORESVILLE 24 Cascade 11
Northwest 24 MOORESVILLE 20
MOORESVILLE 49 Monrovia 10
Speedway 23 Brown County 17
Plainfield 30 MOORESVILLE 21
MOORESVILLE 22 MOORESVILLE 20
MOORESVILLE 30 Center Grove 28
MOORESVILLE 32 Greenwood 15
Whiteland 26 MOORESVILLE 25

VARISITY SCOREBOARD

MOORESVILLE 35 Danville 33
MOORESVILLE 39 Indian Creek 35
MOORESVILLE 56 Tri-West 42
MOORESVILLE 44 Cascade 35
MOORESVILLE 66 Northwest 44
MOORESVILLE 59 Monrovia 21
MOORESVILLE 61 Brown County 34
MOORESVILLE 42 Speedway 37
Plainfield 63 MOORESVILLE 41
Center Grove 50 MOORESVILLE 43
MOORESVILLE 61 Greenwood 48
MOORESVILLE 54 Whiteland 39

Sectionals
MOORESVILLE 55 Eminence 14
MOORESVILLE 49 Greencastle 46
MOORESVILLE 53 Cloverdale 22

Regional MOORESVILLE 52 Bedford North Lawrence 39
MOORESVILLE 51 Van Buren 33

Semi-State MOORESVILLE 49 Mount Vernon 47

a-Beth Piepenbrink stretches above her foe to get the ball.
b-A large crowd turns up to yell for their Pioneer team.
c-Beth Piepenbrink keeps a tight hold on the basketball.
d-Debbie Day attempts a basket despite heavy guarding.
e-Lee Ann Hadley looks for help across the court.
f-Becky Whitney attempts to get the ball above her opponents.
g-Dee Ann Ramey drives hard toward the basket.
h-Debbie Mohr jumps high to get the tip.
i-Coach Johnson cuts the net after tournament play.
k-Resting players cheer their team on.
a. Co-Captain Kerry Jacobs shows the determination that won him 10 games.
b. The 1977 Varsity Baseball Team
c. Co-Captain Doug Opel gets himself in a good defensive position.
d. Junior Carl Lynn slides safely.
e. Coach Greg Silver looks at a Pioneer play from the coach's box.
f. Jim Bagley scores another run.
g. Sophomore power hitter Jim Stonebraker connects for a base hit.
h. Wayne Watson takes a big lead off of second base.
i. Jeff Craft rifles a pitch.
j. Jim Smiley is there for a long fly.
It was a challenging year that was very rewarding during the regular season, said Varsity Baseball Coach Greg Silver as he summed up the 1977 MHS Varsity Baseball season.

The team recorded an impressive 19-7-1 record, but according to Coach Silver the season just wasn't fulfilled without a sectional championship.

The Pioneers set several new accomplishments for themselves and the school. With an 11-game winning streak, they had the best winning percentage of any MHS baseball team (.703), and they went undefeated in the Mid-State Conference with their perfect 7-0 record.

MHS also showed its strength when five of its members were named to the All-Conference team: Kerry Jacobs, Doug Opel, Jim Bagley, Wayne Watson, and Jim Stonebraker. Kerry Jacobs set a new individual record for the season as the winning pitcher for 10 games. As just a sophomore, Jim Stonebraker set a new school mark with 13 doubles. Jim Bagley led the team in batting with a .419 percentage.

At the spring sports banquet, Kerry Jacobs was awarded "most valuable player," and Carl Lynn was the unanimous choice for "most improved."
The 1977 Reserve Baseball Team also had an impressive year as it ended the season with a 10-5 record.

The squad got off to a slow start losing the first game but then found the winning formula as it defeated Cathedral 6-4 and Martinsville 7-5. The sophomore team then finished strong by winning five of the last six games.

Coach Wayne Johnson was well pleased with the outcome of the season as the team met its goal of 10 wins.

Danny Shaw led the team in batting with a .433. Andy Wingate and David McCorkle followed Shaw with a .360 and .340 respectively. Eric Strohmeyer was tops in the homerun department with two.

John Minardo was the leading pitcher with a 5-1 season record.

The reserves gained much needed experience and are hoping to perform for the varsity next year.

An excellent Freshman Baseball Team started its season off in the right way by defeating Martinsville followed by eight more straight wins to set a new freshman record for the most consecutive wins. The Pioneer squad then dropped its next two games to finish with an outstanding 9-2 season. "This is undoubtedly the best freshman team to ever come through MHS," commented Coach Joe Johnson.

Pitchers Ronnie Preston and Tim Stuart led the way for the young Pioneers as they both picked up three victories and lost none.

Preston also led the team in hitting with a .458 percentage which included two homeruns. Brent Myric followed close behind with a .419 batting average.

Mark Rutledge was credited by Coach Johnson for making several excellent defensive plays.

Coach Johnson certainly summed up the team's ability when he stated that most should make varsity level by 1978.
a. Freshman pitcher Tim Stewart fires a fast ball for a strike.

b. Ron Shouse gets a good lead off of first base.

c. Andy Wingate receives instructions from Danny Shaw after hitting a single.

d. The 1977 Reserve Baseball Team

e. The 1977 Freshman Baseball Team

f. Mark Rutledge takes a few practice swings before batting.

g. Chip Dudine hits a single against Martinsville.
a-Pat Richardson shows the form that earned him a varsity letter in his first year of competition.
b-Junior Jimmy Bagley demonstrates the strength which gained him a 27-12 record.
c-Junior Eddie Hall prepares to hit a winning forehand.
d-Mid-State Champion in his sophomore year, Carl Goldsberry strokes a baseline shot.
e-No. 1 doubles team, Mike Raymond and Don France, play the match that wins them the Conference Championship!
f-The #2 doubles team, Rob Hundertmark and Pat Richardson perform in the consolation match of the M.S.C.
g-Coach Peters watches intensely to a close match.
h-1976 Mid-State Conference Champs!
i-Mike Raymond puts everything he has into this winning serve.

### 1976 Varsity Tennis Scoreboard

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**Richmond Doubles Tournament-2nd Mid-State-tied for 1st place**

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Pioneer tennis teams of the past have established a tradition of winning, and this year's team was no exception. The netters captured their fifth straight Mid-State title, placed second in both the Richmond Doubles and Sectional tournament, and achieved an impressive 20-6 dual meet record.

Coach Don Peters summed up the season by adding, "This was a very pleasing season largely because we won when we weren't supposed to. Also, we had no seniors on the team, which makes it especially fine for next year."

The "young" Pioneer team consisted of six juniors: Jim Bagley, Ed Hall, Mike Raymond, Don France, Pat Richardson, and Rob Hundertmark and sophomore Carl Goldsberry.

Special honors went to Mike Raymond and Donald France in the #1 doubles position as they placed 1st in 3 different tournaments: Richmond Doubles, Mid-State and Sectionals. Carl Goldsberry took championships in both Mid-State and Sectionals.

The team is looking forward to next year's season, and they have already set up some goals which include a trip to the State Finals.
The girls tennis team completed its third year of high school competition under new coach and Mooresville High School alumnus Linda Venable.

While the team's season record was an unimpressive 2 wins and 11 losses, competition was extremely stiff as the girls battled against such teams as Ben Davis, Speedway, Bloomington South and Bloomington North.

Coach Venable remarked that the "team didn't seem to play to their fullest capacity until sectional time," but they came back during sectional competition to place fourth out of fourteen teams. While there were no individual champions for the Pioneer ladies in sectional competition, the number one doubles team of Beth Piepenbrink and Debbie Mohr finished third.

In addition, the very young team, led by sophomores Lee Ann Hadley, Beth Piepenbrink, and Debbie Mohr, placed sixth in the Mid-State Conference.

The girls reserve tennis team had a very short season, playing only five matches. They were victorious in three of their matches, coming out on top of Danville, Plainfield, and Greenwood. They were beaten by two very tough teams—Ben Davis and Speedway.

a. Lori Hadlock thinks about her match as she retrieves the ball.
b. Beth Piepenbrink receives some pointers from Coach Venable.
c. The 1977 Girls Tennis Team.
d. Beth Piepenbrink uses a two-handed backhand for more power.
e. Lee Ann Hadley jumps to reach a high ball.
f. Karen Smith hits a shot from behind the baseline.
g. Debbie Mohr watches her opponent as she runs toward the net.
h. Toby Shields eyes the ball after a hit.
i. Tami Sells stretches to attempt a fast ball.

j. Karen Smith gets a tough shot.
Mike Phillips wins again!
Pat Richardson hands off the baton to Mark Williams in the mile relay.
Robb clears the bar at 13.1 feet to set a new record.
Allan McGuire hands the baton off to Pat Richardson.
Joe Copeland uses all his strength to run the race.
Mike Smith throws the discus.
Tim Crist is running the mile.
John Bailey edges past his opponent to win the low hurdles.
Tom Robling clears the high jump.
The 1977 Track Team.
Brad Bailey is victorious in the 220-yard dash at Sectionals.
Four school records were broken this year as the mighty Pioneer track team finished another season in the winning circle. The team set the pace for the season by defeating Center Grove in the first meet of the year. The victory was quickly followed by many others including a second place in Mooresville's own Blue & Gold Relays and a third position in the Mid-State Conference. The Pioneers then traveled to Bloomington for the Sectional events in which they defeated nineteen other teams to pick up the fourth place title with 38 points. Here, Brad Bailey was able to win a blue ribbon in the 220 yard dash by tying the school record and advancing himself to the Regionals along with Wayne Robb in the pole vault and Mike Phillips in the 880 yard run.

Senior Larry Perdunn was one of the four breaking school records on the Pioneer team when he hurled the discus 139 feet, 11 inches replacing the old record of 131 feet, 7 inches which he set in 1976. Wayne Robb set the pole vault record up another notch at the new height of 13 feet, 1 inch. Juniors Brad Bailey and cousin John Bailey were busy making sure their family name would be remembered in years to come after Brad set a new school mark in the 100 yard dash with a time of 10.1 seconds and John was busy excelling in the low hurdles in a record time of 20.1 seconds.
Coming on stronger near the end of the season, the 1977 Golf team finished with a 9-13 record. This was a building year for the young team as it was led by only one senior and two juniors. With this gaining of experience, next year they will be very, very good, explained second-year Coach John Riley.

The golf members competed in the Mid-State Conference tournament; they finished only eight strokes from fourth place, but the competition was so close that MHS ended up in eighth place.

Freshman Tony Doyle led the team with a low 43.5 average. Billy McQueen, Rick Overton, Brian VanHoy, Chuck Edwards, David Bridges, and Randy Davis also played in varsity positions. This team was actually very hard-working, but they found time for humorous incidents and lots of fun.

The Pioneer Reserve Golf team experienced a very good season; this undefeated team finished with a record of 6-0.

This year's Reserve and Freshman Track teams were very flexible groups, in fact, some of the cindermen were doubling and even tripling in spots on the freshman and reserve levels as well as on the varsity level. Even though some of the team members were busy helping to fulfill a winning season for the varsity squad, the reserve team was still able to come out on top with a 4-2 winning record while the freshmen defeated four other teams to place third in the Freshman Mid-State competition.

a-Senior David Bridges eyes the ball on his drive at the first tee.
b-The 1977 Golf Team.
c-In the mile relay, Brad Leblanc hands off the baton to Steve Leap.
d-A winner strains that extra inch.
e-Freshman Bill Breeden makes a jump in varsity competition.
f-Glen Pope looks for the sand during his jump.
g-Mike Johnson is putting the ball.
h-Richard Huffman throws the discus.
i-Billy McQueen putts toward his goal.
j-Showing good form, Rick Overton gets ready to hit the ball.

1977 RESERVE SCOREBOARD
MOORESVILLE 50 Center Grove 56
MOORESVILLE 80 Greenwood 38
MOORESVILLE 76 Plainfield 49
Speedway 71 MOORESVILLE 47
Decatur C. 54 MOORESVILLE 51

1977 FRESHMAN SCOREBOARD
Decatur C. 90 MOORESVILLE 36
Mid-State-3rd Place
Greenwood 67 MOORESVILLE 55
a. Jennie Gershanoff and Vicki Copeland round the third turn of the track.
b. Julie Bivin and Dee Ann Ramey concentrate on running the hurdles.
c. Freshman Marla Dunham runs into the wind during a race.
d. Vicki Copeland runs ahead of her opponent in the relay.
e. Joni Griffin runs toward the finish line.
f. Michelle Leisen competes in the softball throw.
g. Jennie Gershanoff struggles to get ahead of a Greenwood runner.
h. Brenda Fisher runs hard during the 100 yard dash.
i. Dara Hadley talks to Coach Maxwell before a meet.
j. Gayle Spillman shows her form going over the high jump.
k. The 1977 Girls Track Team.
"The team was young and improved with each meet," said first year coach Barry Maxwell of his 1977 girls track team. Only three seniors--Debbie Day, Terri Denny, and Margaret Moore--were on the team.

Despite the lack of experience there were many new records set. At the Greenwood meet, Dee Ann Ramey, a freshman, ran the 80 yard hurdles in 11.9 seconds to set a new record. At the same meet, Jennie Gershanoff, another freshman, set a record in the 100 yard dash with the time 12.0 seconds. During the Danville meet, Jennie Gershonoff ran the 220 yard dash in 26.4 seconds for her second record. Freshman Gayle Spillman took the record in the high jump, having jumped 4 feet, 10 inches, and Terri Clark jumped 16 feet, 11 inches to set the long jump record. These were set at the Danville meet. During the meet with Decatur Central and Franklin Central, two new records were set. The time 1:08.9 made Senior Terri Denny the record holder in the 440 yard dash, and Michelle Scaggs, a freshman, record holder of 187 feet, 3 inches in the softball throw. Junior Brenda Fisher, Sophomore Terri Clark, and Freshmen Marla Dunham and Gayle Spillman combined their efforts to complete the 880 yard relay in a record time of 1:57.5 at the Mid-State Conference meet. Terri Clark also became Mid-State Conference champ in the long jump.
1976-77 was definitely the "Year of the Pioneers!" All of the MHS teams worked together to achieve the goal of being the 1977 All-Sports Champions! Excelling in victories in each sport finally placed Mooresville on the map of accomplishments. Winning the Mid-State Conference title in tennis and in football—for the first time ever pushed the winter athletes to shoot for the same or an even higher goal. The highly-skilled girls basketball team led their many fans to their second consecutive Sectional and Regional Championships! The Pioneer grapplers also reached these tournament victories, an undefeated season, and a third place at Semi-State and STATE! Paul Byrnes battled to become MHS's 2nd STATE CHAMP with Nick Racic placing second at STATE! Surprising everyone, this year's basketball team stole the Sectional and Regional crowns in four great games of high competition. With excited team members, coaches and fans, they traveled to Semi-State for the second time in history to play a good, but heart-breaking game. The spring athletes, then, took over with the boys track team placing third in the Mid-State; and three juniors, Mike Phillips, Brad Bailey and Wayne Robb advanced from Sectionals to Regional competition. The mighty baseball team wiped out the Conference foes to win the title "undefeatedly." Seniors Doug Opel and Karen Smith were chosen as the 1977 Outstanding Athletes!
a-1976-77 two-time Sectional and Regional Girls Basketball CHAMPS!
b-1976-77 Sectional and Regional wrestling CHAMPS!
c-Larry Perdunn competed on the 1977 Pioneer Track team.
d-Football members and coaches rejoice over a Mid-State victory.
e-Don France and Mike Raymond discuss their strategy during a match.
f-1976-77 Sectional and Regional Basketball CHAMPS!
g-1977 Baseball Mid-State CHAMPS!
h-Fans celebrate Secucnal win.
i-Co-Captains Steve Dunham and Paul Byrnes accept one of the many wrestling trophies.
j-Jimmy Bagley holds the net in victory!
a-The 1976-77 Varsity Cheerleaders show their excitement after MHS won basketball Regionals.
b-With the "boys" supporting this pyramid underneath, this formation proved successful at Semi-State.
c-Robbi Pruden
d-Tess Patrum
e-Cindy Thaler
f-Julie Bivin
g-Joni Perry
h-Debbie Allison
i-Halftime during football games meant miniature footballs to fans.
j-Shannon Kirtley
k-During the Sectional pep session, the girls and guys form a "high" mount.
l-During a time-out, the varsity squad forms a mount.
m-Cheerleaders yell for a Sectional victory!
Cheering at athletic events, making signs, baking goodies, and thinking of pep session ideas were only a few of the activities of MHS's spirited Varsity Cheerleaders. Because of the demand on the girls' time, this squad was increased from six members to eight members enabling them to cheer at girls sports and cover all other varsity sports throughout the year. Last spring a panel of students and faculty chose seniors: Tess Patrum, Robbi Pruden, Cindy Thaler, Lori Summers; and sophomores: Julie Bivin, Joni Perry, Debbie Allison and Shannon Kirtley to represent this school as the 1976-77 Varsity Cheerleaders.

A major accomplishment occurred at the Fall Foliage Cheerleading Contest when the squad enthusiastically placed second!

With much difficulty concerning practices, injuries and soreness, the second tradition of "boy cheerleaders" was carried on as the highlight of Sectional action. These boys included: Steve Dunham, Bryant Hopwood, Mike Smith, Mark Williams, Doug Empson, Don White, David Newcomer, Eric Kriebel, Mike Breeden and Ray Garner. Of course, a few mistakes were made like Shannon's crash-landing during a pep session pyramid; but overall, the yells, pyramids and partner stunts added much spirit and excitement!
The 1976-77 Junior Varsity and Freshman Cheerleaders were kept very busy this year attending athletic events, helping at pep sessions and showing spirit throughout the year. With the addition of two members the junior varsity squad was increased to eight to help in case of conflicts with games or meets. Problems arose concerning uniforms and practices, but the girls finally accomplished a group feeling to complete the year. Those chosen for the reserve squad were: Cindy VanHoy, Mary Neitzel, Beth Thatcher, Wanda Cherry, Kathy Murphy, Dara Hadley, Melinda Robinson and Kelly Kays.

The freshman cheerleaders consisted of: Carrie Bantley, Amy Baldwin, Rhonda Opel, Marla Dunham, Angie Walls, Darci Hadley, Donna Martin, Lori Young and Robin Stone. This squad provided the enthusiasm needed to support the freshman teams to victories.

Candy Roberts was head cheerleader sponsor with Janna Hazelbaker assisting.

After many hours of conditioning and learning routines, the Girls Gymnastic Team finally had the opportunity to compete in two actual meets. Under the new coaching of Linda Venable, the girls worked hard all year learning the compulsory routines for each event.

This team lost both of the meets, but still a feeling of accomplishment shone. Avon defeated them 93.45-83.45 and Plainfield sneaked by 83.55-81.75. In both meets, Debbie Peters placed second in overall competition. As this was basically a very young team, composed mainly of freshmen and sophomores, their meets in the future should prove to be very exciting. The 1976-77 members included: Debbie Zimmer, Cindy Thaler, Jane Tucker, Brenda Fisher, Joni Perry, Julie Bivin, Shannon Kirtley, Jackie King, Debbie Fisher, Michelle Arthur, Carrie Bantley, Debbie Peters, Grace Kellum, Amy Baldwin, Lisa Haught, Angie Walls, Marla Dunham, Amy Miller, Becky Connell, Julie Angel and Becky Walls.
a-1976-77 Reserve Cheerleaders.
b-Debbie Peters performs.
c-Marla Dunham and Darci Hadley run off the floor after a cheer.
d-Holding the hoop for varsity games was one of the Reserve's responsibilities.
e-Michelle Arthur is completing a sole circle on the uneven bars.
f-Pep sessions keep the cheerleaders very busy.
g-Debbie Zimmer practices Chinese splits on the balance beam.
h-Cindy Vanhoy cheers during a game.
i-1976-77 Freshman Cheerleaders.
j-The Reserve cheerleaders form a mount during a game.
k-Clean-up time is the highlight of a meet for Coach Venable.
l-Brenda Fisher concentrates.
a- Debbie Fisher and Kim Topie watch an exciting match.
b- The senior Mat Maids prepare the awards during Sectionals.
c- Debbie Ford is very busy during a home tournament.
d- Writing the names of the winners keeps Linda Gipson busy.
e- Andrea Tucker awaits a referee's decision.
f- Peggy Shields cheers on an MHS grappler.
g- The Mat Maids perform a skit during the Sectional pep session.
h- Beth Newhouse and Lene Hastings watch a tennis match.
i- 1976 Netette members.
j- 1976-77 Mat Maid members.
k- Linda Lundy is writing the individual scores during Sectionals.
The Mat Maids have been very busy this year running home tournaments, making jello, and decorating houses for MHS's third-placed State wrestling team. When wrestling Sectionals arrived, each Mat Maid was assigned to a wrestler to support him all the way to State or as far as he went in the State series.

There were 28 members in this year's club, headed by President Cindy Pease. Other officers were: Vice President, Beth Henderson; Secretary, Theresa Bean; and Treasurer, Peggy Shields. Members included: Karen Smith, Debbie Day, Andrea Tucker, Lori Hadlock, Debbie Ford, Jeanie Perry, Brenda Harshey, Patty Stitch, Linda Gibson, Pam Hornaday, Brenda Fisher, Debbie Slaughter, Lora Williams, Pam Whitney, Linda Lundy, Tina Byrnes, Kim Topie, Gena Murphy, Debbie Fisher, Diane Hawkins, Dee Ann Ramey, Grace Kellum, Kim Cobbs, and Helen Fisher.

A denim outfit was selected and purchased by the members to wear as uniforms.

A group of girls called the Netettes are the "helpers" at the boys' fall tennis meets. They generally are known to these boys as spirit boosters and tennis ball chasers. The girls were mainly responsible for keeping the scores of each individual match.

Junior Kitti Swinney acted as President of this group. The other members included: sophomores, Tammy Sells, Lisa Morley, Susan Leitzel, Polly Phillips, Lene Hastings, Beth Newhouse; and freshmen, Amy Baldwin, and Rhonda Opel.

These Netettes were chosen by the previous year's members on the basis of their knowledge of tennis, personality, and the number of other activities involved.

The Netettes baked cupcakes and cookies as rewards to motivate the members of the 1976 Fall Tennis Team to a victorious season. Bringing gatorade and water to the thirsty boys was also on their busy list of activities.
It was not uncommon to see a lot of girls at the home track meets. This large number of girls were MHS's Trackettes. Sherry Bush explained that basically, "We run the track meet." By holding the ribbon, announcing, writing results of events, taking times and helping at field events, these girls were kept very busy at each home meet.

Co-presidents Carla Davis and Sherry Bush were the organizers of this group. The other 36 members included: Susan McGuire, Tess Patrum, Debbie Sells, Martha Hoagland, Laura Corbin, Brenda Fisher, Debbie Ford, Linda Gipson, Beth Henderson, Pam Hornaday, Tina Stroud, Beth Thatcher, Theresa Bean, Tina Byrnes, Mary Beth Carney, Becky Connell, Connie Harshey, Stacey Justice, Susan Leitzell, Susan McClasky, Lisa Morley, Rhonda Nay, Tami Sells, Cyndi Shlake, Karen Ulrich, Debbie Whitaker, Julie Angel, Carol Atkins, Vicki Copeland, Violet Hoagland, Debbie Hollan, Donna Many, Amy Miller, Pam Pennington, and Kim Topie.

The bat girls for Mooresville's 1976-77 baseball teams could be seen at each game working very hard. By selling concessions during wrestling tournaments, the girls started their year off by earning money for the team. During the baseball season, they rotated to different jobs, which included: keeping the books, charts, and equipment in order; running the scoreboard, selling concessions, and washing dirty uniforms.

This organization was headed by seniors Robbi Pruden as president, and Marsha Willoughby as vice-president. Other members were Linda Grebel, Brenda Harshey, Teresa Neal, Jeanie Perry, Linda Billings, Nyla Fleener, Terri Sawyer, Lynn Smith, Laura Akers, Rhonda Fleener, Grace Kellum, Michelle Knight, Terri Ooley, Rhonda Opel, and Debbie Peters.

Coach Greg Silver chose these girls on the basis of dependability, character, ability, grades, and whether other activities would interfere.
a-Theresa Bean places the bar in position at the pole vault.
b-Tina Byrnes relaxes during a break.
c-Sherry Bush and Carla Davis discuss a funny mistake.
d-Jeanie Perry changes the count on the scoreboard.
e-Working in the concession stand is the job for Grace Kellum.
f-Linda Akers watches the game from the scoreboard platform.
g-Linda Grebel keeps records during a baseball game.
h-Susan McGuire and Tina Stroud keep records in the press box.
i-Lora Corbin hands a blue ribbon to an MHS winner.
j-The 1977 Trackette members.
k-Robbi Pruden and Marsha Willoughby record the statistics.
l-The 1977 Bat Girl members.
The selection of clubs and organizations in high school is enormous. As the year gets started, freshmen usually find themselves involved in too many activities, but by the time they have hopefully reached graduation they are more settled in and supposedly know exactly what associations they are interested in.

These extra curricular activities serve many important purposes. They aid in education outside of the classroom, give different options other than academically oriented subjects, and allow individuals to have an opportunity at leadership. They also help students get accustomed to working along with others and probably keep the kids out of trouble, although some of the faculty might choose to disagree with this fact.

A club organizes so the members can relate to a common interest. Initiations which are rituals that introduce a student into a club can often be embarrassing, but once he is in the club, all is forgotten as he joins the upcoming fun.
Music knows no season. Mr. Jerry Weber, director, and the MHS Band can tell anyone that their organization works an entire calendar year.

In the summer the band went to camp at Manchester College. In addition, the band and Kadettes marched in the Martinsville Fall Foliage Festival Parade, The Old Settlers Parade, and the Mooresville Bi-Centennial Celebration Parade.

After participating in the Farmers Day and State Fair Marching Contests, the school year began with District Contest at Lebanon High School, where they received a first place and advanced to state. At state marching contest, the band placed fourth and received a handsome trophy for their efforts. The Marching Pioneers also received a second place at the Jeffersonville Contest of Champions.

On March 31 and April 1, the Music Department held its annual Musical Varieties featuring the bands and choir.
a. The Kadettes pause in a routine for the halftime of a football game.

b. Band members await the start of their show in the District Band Contest at Lebanon High School.

c. At a home basketball game, the Kadettes prepare to march in the pre-game ceremonies.

d. Directors Jerry Weber and John Dilkey display the fourth place trophy won at the State Marching Contest held at Indiana State University.

e. The 1976-77 Mooresville High School Band and Kadettes.
The MHS Choir Department started the school year with a new director, Mr. Gene Raymond, and a new group called the SpotLighters. They performed several shows throughout the year including Wagon Trails Revue, Christmas on the Circle, Variety Show, and the Alumni Dinner. The Girls Glee Club and the Cadet Choir also participated in all concerts and the Cadet Choir sang in the Variety Show.

Choir members also performed in the Teen-Angel Day Convocation and the annual spring musical.

Mr. Bruce ''Bacharach'' Bernhardt, a student teacher from Ball State University, directed the music for the spring concert in May.

At district contest, 27 of 32 entries received first place division ratings and three received firsts in class A at state: Paula Meo, Dan Scharbrough, and Jack Perry, who received a perfect 7 point first for a piano solo.
a. Bruce Bernhardt and Greg Staum play trumpet in the orchestra for "Music Man."

b. The Varsity Choir, under the direction of Mr. Raymond, sings in the Wagon Trails Revue.

c. Mr. Raymond listens intently for the "little voices" in one of the microphones.


e. The Cadet Choir performed many times throughout the year.

f. The Spotlighters presented the Madrigal Dinner, December 18.
Future Homemakers of America and sponsor Mrs. Lezette Harrington kept very busy this year with many activities. The first big activity was the annual chili supper before a home basketball game. In December, the club visited the Morgan County Home and took presents to the residents and sang Christmas carols. During FHA week the girls had Brownie week in which they did favors for their favorite teachers. The club also sponsored Teen Angel Day. A first this year was a Parent Date Night. The girls cooked a meal and served it to their parents. Interdisciplinary Cooperative Education gave students a work study outlet. Students also received a grade for the work they did through the on-the-job training.
a. Judges Peggy Saylors, Marge Brown, and FHA sponsor Lezette Harrington study a contestant for the Teen-Angel Day dress-up contest.

b. Students dance during the Teen-Angel Day convocation.

c. ICE officers for 1976-77 are: John Carney, president; Wayne Robb, vice-president; Susie White, secretary; and Harold Gott, treasurer.

d. Candidates for "Teen-Angel" line up to be judged in the mini-gym.

e. Tony Lawrence plays a drum solo during the convocation as assistant principal Norbert Johnson watches.
Along with the success of the athletic department, the speech team, drama club, and Honor Society also had much success during 1976-77 at MHS. The Speech Team, led by advisor She Squires, president Steve Smith (Sr.) and other officers Andy Pearson, Jeff Brinkmann and Tara Soughers, participated in several speech meets throughout the year. Members placed well in sectionals and regionals in their respective categories. Jeff Brinkmann was also a state alternate in Original Oratory as a sophomore.

The Honor Society, sponsored by Bob Adams and led by officers Teresa Davisson, David Bridges, Cathy Kinnett, and Lori Summers held their annual tappings in the fall for seniors and in the spring for juniors. They also dressed up and delivered Goblin Grams at Halloween.

The Drama Club was sponsored by Sherry Stewart and Liz Yoke, and second semester by Pam Anderson. Officers were co-presidents Paul Gregory and Dan Scharbrough and secretary-treasure Donna Many. In the fall, the thespians presented two plays, "The $39 Man" and "Dress Reversal." In the spring, many members participated in the musical play "Music Man," by Meredith Willson.
a. Drama club members do walk-ons for the annual production of Wagon Trails Revue, this time a tribute to Broadway which includes many famous one liners from such comedians as Groucho Marx.

b. Spring tapping for new Honor Society members assembles a group of twenty-nine juniors who meet the criteria for membership.

c. Coach Hammel receives the "pie" end of a skit conducted by Mrs. Sherry Stewart and company.

d. Kathy Kinnett and Sponsor Bob Adams serve punch at spring Honor Society initiation.

e. Seniors tap more Honor Society members at fall initiation.

f. The 1976-77 Speech Team and Coach Sue Squires.
a. Student Council president Tim Crist obviously has some kind of idea at one of the frequent Student Council meetings.

b. Council members wash one of many cars which waited in line prom day for a one dollar wash.

c. Tim Crist, 1976-77 council president, wishes new president, Todd Hacker, luck for the coming year.

d. Lee Ann Byrnes gets cadet teaching experience in Mr. Keith Hamilton's science class.

e. Council members perform one of their skits for the student body at pep session.

f. Scott Kirby leads a discussion in Mr. Nease's U.S. History class.
Building leadership ability is one of the basic functions of school. The Student Council is probably the most direct route for students to obtain leadership experience. First semester, the council was sponsored by Roger Hershberger and under officers Tim Crist, president; Dan Scharbough, vice president; Kitti Swinney, secretary; and Roe Wright, treasurer, the council planned all Homecoming festivities and sponsored a Christmas dance. Second semester, Assistant Principal Norbert Johnson took over the adviser’s position and the council held a car wash, participated in skits during pep sessions, and held its elections for 1977-78.

Another organization that involves student leadership is Cadet Teaching. Supervised by Rich Franklin, the Cadet Teachers went to the five grade schools and the junior high in the Mooresville area. Although the students received no credit toward graduation, they did get grades for each grading period.
Future Farmers of America, led by sponsor Gaylord Cole, was well-known for its formal parliamentary procedure used at every meeting allowing other groups to visit and learn the best ways to conduct business.

The group, which does not cease to function at the end of a school year, completed many service projects for the town and the school.

In addition to some landscaping in front of the school and for the town park, the now male-female organization also planted and tended several acres of farmland in the Mooresville area during the summer.

Office Education Association was led through 1976-77 by Mrs. Peggy Saylors, faculty coordinator, and student president Debbie Crane.

This year the members of OEA received added experience by working in local companies throughout the community including: Coleman Insurance, Jackson Tax Service, Laboratory Equipment Corporation, and McClain Matthews.
a. Dean Kirchofer and Dawn Lockwood paint a display for Future Farmers of America.

b. An FFA member puts the finishing touches on the display for the FFA banquet.

c. Peggy Saylors and Carla Davis look over some material in the Office Intensive Lab.

d. OEA officers Andrea Tucker, vice president; Debbie Crane, president; Nita Loomis, historian; and Cindy Dyer, secretary-treasurer.

e. Kim McGowen duplicates material in the office lab.

f. FFA president, Rowdy Adams, presents Mrs. Cole with a planter at the banquet.
The American Field Service sponsors the MHS foreign exchange student each year. The club's activities, which are planned to entertain the exchange student, included parties, a picnic, and a trip to Kings Island in the spring. This year's student was Arnoldo Lulsdorf from Brazil.

Organizations closely involved with AFS are the German, Spanish, and French clubs. The German Club's schedule included an entry in the Homecoming Parade, Halloween collections for UNICEF, a soccer game with the French Club, "Little Luvlies" delivered on Valentine's Day, and the annual Maifest held this year on May 6.

The Spanish Club held parties at Halloween, Christmas (complete with a pinata), and Valentine's Day.

The French Club served a French dinner, held a Mardi Gras party, a Christmas party, and went to the French restaurant La Tour for dinner.
a. Richard Ingle poses with two other French Club members who dressed up for the French Club Halloween party.

b. Foreign exchange student Arnoldo Lulsdorf works on an art project. The art department found his talent very useful this year when they were decorating for Christmas and working on sets for the musical.

c. German Club president, Bob Davis and member Lita Bush actually do the cooking for the annual German Club Maifest dinner consisting of such German dishes as Brachwurst and sauerkraut.

d. American Field Service member Mike Klass poses with a Hanna-Barbara character during the annual trip to Kings Island.

e. President Bob Davis and secretary Linda Searcy preside over one of the many German Club meetings which take place during Wednesday activity periods.
a. Cindy Thaler and Susan McGuire work on a page layout for the newspaper during fifth period.

b. Art Club members relax after a Wednesday meeting during activity period.

c. Art Club members work on decorating the doors at the southeast exit for Christmas.

d. Mark Williams contemplates a line he has just written for a story in the Pioneer Pulse.

e. Mr. Dennis Amrhein and Arnoldo Lusdorf work on getting flats ready for the annual spring musical "Music Man."

f. Tess Patrum diligently works on typing a story for the newspaper.
The PIONEER PULSE staff under the leadership of Editor Tess Patrum continued its second year as a news magazine, publishing monthly and emphasizing feature articles.

Two indepth features about "Rape" and "Teenage Pregnancy" earned staff member Julie Price an Honorable Mention in feature writing at the Wabash Valley Press Conference and the American Newspaper Association's "Most Valuable Staffer Award" presented by THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR-NEWS.

Under the new leadership of Mr. Carl Brown in the print shop, the staff learned to produce the newspaper themselves as they were instructed in the method of offset printing.

Staff members included: Mark Williams, Susan McGuire, Julie Price, Carolyn Franks, Lee Ann Byrnes, Tim Franklin, Tim Crist, and Editor Tess Patrum.

Mr. Dennis Amrhein's art club again provided the Christmas spirit for the high school when they completed two sets of stained glass windows for the east hall.

In addition, the group completed projects throughout the year which included weeks of work on flats and sets for the musical "Music Man."
Pursuing knowledge in the field of science was the goal of Mr. Alexander's Science Club this year. The club was divided into four different groups and members conducted experiments during activity period. On their annual field trip, the club travelled to the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago.

The Health Careers Club helped to further the members' knowledge and experiences in health careers. Besides attending state health careers meetings, the club held a booth at the Homecoming carnival.
a. Debbie Zimmer and Marsha Willoughby examine a display at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago.

b. Bob Davis gives Don Pope a thorough examination for the Health Careers club at the Homecoming Carnival.

c. The Health Careers club booth is very busy at the Homecoming Carnival.

d. Mr. Alexander takes a few moments of rest before continuing on the Science Club field trip.

e. Members of the Science Club pose in front of the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago.
a. Tim Crist, Dan Scharbrough, and Mike Smith sell ice cream for the Letterman's Club at a home basketball game.

b. Members of the C.B. Club put up an antenna in order to transmit their radio signals.

c. Don France and Tim Franklin serve the food at the final Letterman's Club breakfast of the year.

d. Mr. Max Gregory, Lyle Leison, and Gene Hawkins display a Chess Team trophy.

e. John Waggeman transmits a message during a C.B. Club meeting.
Promoting athletics was the purpose of the Letterman's Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Closely associated with each other, the Letterman's Club and FCA sponsored many activities throughout the year. The Homecoming pie eating contest, and pig chase, and several breakfasts throughout the school year were the main events for the Lettermen. The FCA sent students to camp in the summer.

The C.B. Club sponsored a car wash for raising funds and used their radios during their meetings.

The Chess Team participated in several meets during the year and brought a trophy to MHS for their efforts in a tourney.
To be creative requires an imagination and the ability to produce something original. All ages can be creative, for as shown on the following pages, a student doesn't need to be out of high school to use his own thoughts to construct a work of art. The fields of art include photography, writing poetry and stories, composing music, painting, sketching, sculpting, designing, and many other things.

Even for students who think they have no imagination, the opportunities to be inventive are numerous. Creations represent a part of the maker himself. The qualities of the creator include the power or skill to express himself in a genuine way which entails no imitation or reproduction.

Although large crowds often don't gather to see a work of art, there will always be a few people who appreciate another person's achievements. The main thing is that the creator feels good toward his own work and realizes that his efforts will not go unrewarded.
Memories

Outside my window
I see the trees
That shake their leaves
Like life's memories.

The memory of love
That I once knew
When leaves were green
And I had you.

The memory of joy
That I could see,
But the leaves fell
And left only me.

The memory of smiles
That hung on the trees,
But the leaves died
And left me memories.

--Kim Wesner
"A Passing Notion"

I saw an old friend just the other day,
But our eyes never met we both turned away.
It worries me now what if in my old age,
I ignored all my old friends I just turned the page.
What if they're gone when someday I die?
Who will care for me; who will cry?
Now when I pass an old friend on the street,
I smile and I wave and turn 'round to speak.

--Carolyn Franks
I'm bored and tired of being a creator
Of ideas to set down into eternal rhyme.
Of poetry I am an admitted hater
And feel that all this "Insight" is a waste of time.

All poets are born with the talents they possess.
They color the world with thoughtful words of magic.
And so by accident of birth, I do confess.
The result of all my fruitless work is tragic.

I confess these facts without many regrets.
Because there is something that we all do well,
Though I could not have written of Juliet.
I do not think my place is in Hell.

And even though I claim this poem as mine,
I'm very glad this is the final line.

--Tess Patrum
One cannot possibly mention the many types of individual characters which make up a school without mentioning another special group — the faculty. Within that different group are many more character types.

Despite the classification of "teacher," each faculty member has his own unique personality which allows him to make a special contribution to the school community.

Many teachers have created memories we will never forget . . . Mr. Lawrence's special engagement as the Guardian Angel at the Teen Angel convo . . . Mrs. Roberts and her many parts in teacher skits . . . "Mr. "Chuck Barris" Alexander and the teachers' version of the Gong Show . . . Mr. New's antics which included things like sending people to the library for a book stretcher . . .
From outside the office it seems like a place for problems, attendance records and disciplinary procedures. Step inside and one finds many hard-working people trying to keep MHS running. They strive to make school a good experience for every student.

Administrative goals for 1976-77 included upgrading the building, curtailing student absences, and creating a positive attitude toward school.

The comment that is heart around the office about the young people attending Mooresville High School is surprisingly enough, "We have a fantastic student body."
1. Mr. William Overholser, as Principal of MHS, is a general manager of the school and spends a great deal of time working with students, parents, and faculty.

2. Maintenance, attendance, and discipline are all part of Vice Principal Norbert Johnson's duties.

3. Vice Principal Jerry Brown is in charge of managing organizations and scheduling activities.

4. Mrs. Judy Butcher has the unusual assignment of working with half of the seniors and a new group of freshmen.

5. Mr. Lon Milburn, head of the guidance department, works with students' schedules and career possibilities.

6. After many years as principal, Mr. Kendall Keller is in his third year of guidance working with the junior class.

7. Mr. Keith Hill, Athletic Director, schedules athletic events and even manages to attend most of them.

8. Superintendents of MHS are: Mr. Paul Sterrett, superintendent of Maintenance; Mr. Robert Patterson, assistant superintendent; Mr. William Curry, superintendent; and Mr. Gary Myers, administrative assistant.

9. Mr. William Overholser, Mr. Paul Sterrett, and Greg Wingate raise the flag before a football game.

10. The 1976-77 School Board Members: Mrs. Doris Raymond, Mr. Jimmie Neitzel, Mr. Wesley Fry, Dr. Norman Whitney, and Dr. Dewey Stewart.

11. Mrs. Kathy Johnson and Mr. Norbert Johnson discuss an attendance problem.
6. Oscar Weekly, former head custodian, hangs one of the many pictures of Mooresville High School's winning teams.

7. The bus drivers are kept busy driving to and from school each day and were especially challenged with icy roads and snow drifts this year.

8. Marge Brown hangs some Christmas tinsel in the cafeteria windows.

9. No one does more work, receives less recognition, and shows more school spirit than the cooks.

10. The custodians are the people who keep the school neat and spotless.
Among the many people involved with MHS, stand the "unsung heroes"—the cooks, bus drivers, custodians, secretaries, and the nurse. These people are important in running a high school.

Not only do the cooks prepare and serve meals everyday, some even help with the many breakfasts and banquets.

There are the bus drivers who drive us to and from school—in all kinds of weather, and the custodians who pick up after us and keep the school in good shape.

The secretaries keep MHS running peacefully in any crises that might occur, and of course the nurse who patches us up so that we won't miss any days of our educational career.
The MHS English Department, headed by Mr. Albert New and led by twelve teachers, includes classes in literature, formal grammar, composition, journalism, and speech. While some of the courses involve the basics, others offer the students a chance to communicate through speech related activities, like dramatic productions, public speaking, and stage craft.

Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior classes are designed to cover all the major studies of English. Seniors have a choice of classes. They may take Speech, journalism, Senior English or Composition. Speech encourages students to communicate in a variety of forms and helps them to feel more at ease in many speaking situations. All kinds of mass media are studied in journalism classes. Senior English studies the basics, and composition is taken by many Seniors who are preparing to go to college.

A complete turn about in speech class shows Taryn Fields demonstrating how to tie a tie to Mark St. John, a willing but confused participant.

Both English and Speech classes produce plays as part of their course study. In this picture students recreate part of "The Wizard of Oz."

On demonstration day the English wing has as many pleasant aromas as the Home Economics department as students, not only demonstrate, but give free samples.
1. Mr. Albert New, head of the English Department, prepares Seniors for college through endless study of grammar, composition, and various forms of literature.

2. Along with teaching Sophomore English, Mr. Bob Adams, sponsors the Honor Society.

3. Mrs. Pam Anderson placed Mrs. Sherry Stewart second semester teaching speech and directing the school musical.

4. Mrs. Judy Bengston sponsors the Sophomore class and enjoys all kinds of craft work, such as needlepoint.

5. Mr. Jim Bradshaw is class sponsor of this year's highly spirited Sophomore Class, and teaches the basics of English to Sophomores.

6. Mrs. Mary Lee Comer, in her first year at MHS, has brought many new ideas with her, such as teaching a CB radio unit to her English classes.

7. Helping staffs reach their yearbook and newspaper deadlines is one of Mrs. Diana Hadley's many tasks at MHS.

8. Mrs. Terry Crowe spends much time putting extra efforts into her teaching. One example is the extravagant bulletin board displayed in her room.

9. Mr. Richard Franklin has been heard quoting Macbeth many times this year, "Lay on Macduff."

10. Much spirit is shown by Mrs. Betty Roberts in room 113. Maybe that's why they call her "Fireball!"

11. Before leaving MHS at the end of the first semester, Mrs. Sherry Stewart took many students on field trips to the Indiana Repertory Theatre.

12. Mrs. Elizabeth Yoke, this year's Mat Maid sponsor, spends much of her spare time singing, jogging, and taking care of her cat and plants.
Mathematics

Math department chairman Mr. Bob Grosskreutz said, "With the precision instruments, computers, and complicated formulas of this scientific space age, mathematics plays an important role in the future of MHS students. Pioneers meet the challenge of the changing world by furthering their studies in mathematics."

Students are taught to analyze problems through geometry with all its axioms and theorems, algebra with its many equations, and trigonometry with its sines, cosines, and tangents.

Mr. Bob Ruble and Mr. Larry Goldsberry were new additions to the math department this year.

Outside activities included kite flying by geometry students and geometry students calculated the height of the flagpole with the use of the theodolite.

7. Algebra II students Robin Koonce and Brad Myrick share a book and team up to work on their assignment.

8. Using the theodolite is the easier way to measure a flag pole as Mrs. Sue Stewart's geometry students Gary Jackson and Craig Duffer demonstrate.

9. Having fun in general math class must be possible with happy faces so obviously apparent in Mr. Lee Musgrave's room.

10. Even a math class doesn't have to be confined indoors as Mrs. Stewart's group sets up an experiment outside.
1. Mr. Robert Grosskreutz, head of the Math department, sponsors the Junior Class and was very busy this year helping the Juniors raise money for the prom.

2. Mr. Larry Goldsberry, an alumni of MHS, teaches ICE and general math classes in his first year of teaching at Mooresville.

3. Mrs. Barbara Kacmar is assistant volleyball coach this year and enjoys outdoor activities.

4. Mr. Lee Musgrave sponsors checker club, raises his own garden, and is quoted in TIME magazine this year.

5. Mr. Bob Ruble in his first year here at MHS teaches math and is Freshman wrestling coach and assistant Freshman football coach. He also teaches a Sunday School class.

6. Being assistant coach of the winning girls basketball team takes up much of Mrs. Sue Stewart's time.
6. Mr. Dan Havens' drivers education classes learn how to change a tire during class.

7. Karen Ulrich and Carol Gunnell keep very busy as library aides for Mr. John Robertson.

8. Mrs. Corine Peters teaches her health class how to bandage wounds.

9. Sophomore physical education classes are shown bowling at Terra Plaza, an activity the students look forward to.

10. Mr. Gary Edwards, from the Suemma Coleman Agency, talks to Miss Rosie Murdock's health classes about teenage pregnancy.
1. Mr. Max Gregory sponsors chess club, and teaches Health.

2. Miss Rosie Murdock coaches the girls volleyball team.

3. Mr. Don Pope is assistant coach in football and basketball this year.

4. Mr. John Riley is golf coach and also coaches the Freshman basketball team this year.

5. Mr. John Robertson is MHS's first male librarian.

Those classes which don't fall under easy categories are Health, Physical Education and Drivers Education.

All sophomore students are required to take one semester of health in which they learn about first aid, alcohol, drugs, and the human body.

Physical Education is required for one semester both the freshman and sophomore years. A few activities include volleyball, gymnastics, tennis, archery, and softball. Sophomore students go bowling also.

Drivers Education may be taken during school or during the summer. This class is very popular, so students are accepted by birthdates, the oldest receiving priority.

The library is very useful for getting information to write papers, do speeches, and to research topics.
Classes offered at MHS which fall under the vocations area are: printing, agriculture, home economics, metals, auto mechanics, woods, drafting, special education, and building trades.

Printing teaches the basics of different types of printing. Agriculture teaches the process of managing a farm. Cooking and sewing are taught in home ec. Metals teaches machine shop, foundery, sheet metal, welding, and production. Auto mechanics rebuilt a Bradley GT. Woods teaches how to use hand tools and power machinery. Drafting students make blue prints, and special ed helps students in problem areas. The building trades class built a house in the Mooresville area and sold it.

13. Kevin Comfort and company watch Mike Freed as he attempts to time an engine in auto class. One outstanding project completed in the auto mechanics shop was the completion of a Bradley GT which was redesigned from a damaged VW.

14. The pride of the boys in Mrs. Lezette Harrington's Boys Home Economics class is learning to make a pie from scratch.

15. Working with materials in Mr. Dick Ratliff and Mr. Wayne Johnson's metals classes requires the greatest effort in safety precautions.

16. Allan Terry and David Tilford work with the lathe in metals class.
1. Mr. Carl Brown is very helpful, in his first year at MHS, printing many items for various school activities.

2. Mr. Gaylord Cole sponsors the FFA and teaches agriculture.

3. Mrs. Lezette Harrington sponsors the FHA and Freshman class, and enjoys snow skiing.

4. Mrs. Janna Hazelbaker is very busy decorating her new house and enjoys craft work.

5. Mr. Wayne Johnson is assistant baseball coach and in his free time hunts and fishes.

6. Heading the AV department is part of Mr. Kelly Maxfield's duties at MHS along with teaching Auto classes.

7. Mr. Randy Qualitza coaches the wrestling team leading them to a third place state finish.

8. Motorcycle riding and farming are part of Mr. Richard Ratliff's outside activities.

9. Mr. Frank Riley enjoys traveling and plans to travel through the West this summer.

10. Miss Candy Roberts keeps very active sponsoring the Senior class, the cheerleaders, and is assistant girls track coach.

11. Mrs. Cecilia Trueblood took over Mrs. Hazelbaker's Home Ec. classes for one semester.

12. Teaching MHS's new building trades classes is Mr. Chuck Waggoner.
The MHS Business Education department offers students many different course offerings which help them develop saleable skills and introduces them to vocational and occupational opportunities. Course offerings include introduction to business, typing, record keeping, bookkeeping, shorthand, sales, office machines, business English, and business law. The Interdisciplinary Cooperative Education (ICE) program provides instruction designed to help students prepare for careers. Students enrolled in the ICE program attend classes at MHS for one-half day. They spend the remainder of the school day as interns in local businesses. Office Education Association (OEA), a business club, offers its members opportunities to learn through guest speakers and business competitions.
1. Heading the Business Department and supervising the business lab, now completing its second year in operation as part of the Office Education Association, are two of the main duties of Mrs. Peggy Saylors, one of the veterans of the Business Department.

2. Mr. Joe Ash teaches Business and serves the position of assistant track coach, both of which are jobs requiring him to keep records within the high school and on its all-weather track.

3. Mr. Mike Frederick, a second year teacher at MHS, introduces freshmen to the business world.

4. In addition to teaching Business, Mr. Stan Hall sponsors the Senior Class ("the Class with Class") and coaches the freshman track team.

5. Mr. Jim Hammel is best known for coaching the 1977 basketball team which traveled to the "Sweet Sixteen," but he is also a member of the Business Department as a typing and records keeping teacher.

6. Mrs. Anita Thompson, who is filling the leave of absence of Mrs. Aloha Landwerlin, teaches both Shorthand I and II and Office Practice.

7. Mrs. Judy Wade teaches typing and shorthand and enjoys sewing and fishing in her spare time away from school and the business department.

8. Most students who work on timed writing speeds concentrate so intensely that even a photographer and his flash unit don't stop them from working.

9. Junior Joetta Lambert steals a look at the typewriter keys "just to check."

10. Mr. Mike Frederick's General Business class designs a bulletin board made entirely of advertisements to illustrate the importance of advertising.
The Science department at MHS strives to help students acquire an understanding and an appreciation of their scientific environment. General science, biology, rocks and minerals, geology, oceanography, astronomy, meteorology, physics, and chemistry are all part of the science curriculum. Laboratory work is a big part of any activity class like science. Department chairman Mr. Alexander commented, "We still get credit for the foul odors and Home Economics gets credit for the sweet odors.

The science curriculum helps students become more capable of expressing organizing, and writing their findings. Whether preparing for further studies in science, or learning for fun, the science department at MHS is a worthwhile experience.
1. Mr. Hubert Alexander, head of the science department, is a regular sight at pep sessions.

2. Mr. Robert Hamm teaches General Science to freshmen and is head track coach.

3. Mr. Monty Grover is athletic trainer at MHS, and he spends his spare time looking at stars.

4. Coaching the very successful girls Basketball team is Mr. Joe Johnson's responsibility.

5. Mr. Gary Pearson's trademarks are his white lab coats and his Kellogg's Fruit Loops.

6. Mr. Pearson shows Donna Cooper the proper way to use the triple beam balance.

7. Candy Lewis makes ice cream the scientific way.

8. Mr. Alexander helps Paula Meo with a chemistry experiment.

8. Head of the Foreign Language Department and German teacher Mrs. Mary Lee Bowman offers some German pastry to German student Budy Wiser.

9. Among the many artistic creations of Larry Tabor were a pair of ceramic work boots complete with eyelets for strings.

10. French students made the field trip of the year when they traveled to Paris with Mrs. Brenda Roach during spring vacation. As proof of their journey the group posed for a formal picture at Versailles.

11. The Spotlighters, one of the top groups in the music department, sing selections from the program for their annual Madrigal dinner at local radio station WCBK.
The Arts, which consist of Art, Language, and Music, give the students at MHS a break from their daily academic routine.

The Art classes give the students a chance to use their imaginations and develop skills. Mr. Amrhein, art teacher, believed that "for the most part, students reacted with a lot of enthusiasm to the activities discovered in the art classes."

Mrs. Mary Lee Bowman was head of the Language Department which stressed literature, composition, conversation, and civilization of other countries. A program to recruit junior high students for the high school program was continued through 1977.

The Music Department at MHS gave the students an awareness and understanding of various styles and forms of music. Besides being considered an academic subject, students in music spent many after school hours producing programs for the students and community.

1. Mrs. Mary Lee Bowman, head of the Language department is also involved in a community theatrical group.
2. Spanish teacher Mrs. Carolyn Blickenstaff sponsors both AFS and Spanish Clubs.
4. Art teacher Mr. Dennis Amrhein spends some "free" time making musical sets.
5. Miss Sue Squires teaches art and sponsors the speech team.
6. Choir director Mr. Gene Raymond also enjoys raising Arabian horses.
7. New uniforms and trophies are 1977 additions to Mr. Jerry Weber's band department.
11. Chief Black Bear, sponsored by the Social Studies Club, speaks at one of the many Mooresville High School convocations.

12. One of the academic highlights of the school year has students participating in a mock election sponsored by social studies.

13. Mr. Havens assists students with voting procedure with a sample voting machine.

Starting with required classes like civics, a freshman course, then on to U.S. history, a junior course, and after government, and economics, senior courses, there just might be room on a schedule for subjects like geography, world history, and sociology.

These are all classes in the Social Studies department headed by Mr. Gerald Williams.

To provide the best citizenship training possible for the students of this community is the goal of this department.

Mr. Barry Maxwell taught sociology second semester replacing Mr. Roger Hershberger.
1. Mr. Gerald Williams heads the Social Studies departments and spends his free time working in the garden.

2. Mr. Don Adams spends his leisure time tending to his cows, ice fishing, and supervising Boy Scouts.

3. Mr. Dan Havens teaches his Senior Economics classes the factors of the stock market.

4. While Mr. Roger Hershberger was here he sponsored the Student Council.

5. Mr. Tony Lawrence teaches Seniors and Freshmen along with assisting in wrestling.

6. Mr. Denny Pelley led us to our first Mid-State Championship in football.

7. Coaching the Varsity Baseball team takes up most of Mr. Greg Silver's time.

8. Mr. Barry Maxwell took over girls track in his first year of teaching at MHS.

9. Helping the Juniors raise money for the prom is one of Mrs. Clarrisa Snapp's many duties as sponsor.

10. Mr. Dan Thurston took time this year to teach the Basketball team the technique of shooting free throws.
Certainly no teacher, administrator or student who began the 1976-77 school year during the sweltering days of late August had any idea of the exciting things to pass before a conclusion of sweltering days in late May.

As the story which this book has unfolded indicates, words like "success," "participation," "involvement," and "Pioneer Proud" described the students and the feelings of a year which will be remembered in many ways.

Probably more students than ever before participated in dramatic, talent, and musical productions as each contributed his own special talent, whether it be an accomplished feat or a one-liner to keep a production moving.

Three productions, which have become traditional at Mooresville High School--Wagon Trails Revue, Variety Show, and a spring musical again had many participants and were well-received by large audiences. In addition, many of the musical and dramatic groups were victorious in competition with other schools in the state.
The Kadettes perform a pre-game show for a home basketball game.

Bryant Hopwood portrays the dope for which he received "best bit part." 

Bruce Justus sets up lights for the musical.

Pam Rainbolt works backstage on props for the musical.

Jeff Overholser plays a trumpet as a member of the River City band.

The spotlighters sing several songs during the Wagon Trails Revue.
In sports, the year was the most fantastic in the school’s history. In some instances the fans were torn between attending two events, both of which were advancing in tournament competition, like a Saturday in which the girls basketball team and the number-one-ranked wrestling team were each marking up regional crowns and the next week as well when they were contenders for semi-state titles.

When the basketball team began to surprise its fans with unpredicted victories after the completion of a 10-10 season, it became apparent that there was a feeling going around that people were Pioneer Proud, a kind of spirit that spread to every aspect of high school life and spilled over into the community.

People, not only got used to the news coverage Mooresville, Indiana was receiving, they expected it. They cheered; they bought T-shirts; they made up skits; they followed each other in caravans to tournament sites all over the state; they made signs; they decorated cars; they wore blue and gold; they rejoiced in victory; and they were disappointed with defeat.

Becky Whitney realizes that another redhead is playing her role.

Even a good year can have sad endings as the LaSalle game was for Jim Bagley and Jeff Craft.

Beth Henderson plays the part of Becky Whitney in a skit for the girls put on by the Student Council.

Lee Ann Byrnes narrates a skit for the girls basketball team.

Male Student Council members portray cheerleaders and lead the student body in a cheer.
Memories
But most of all everyone shared memories which will make them replay that semi-state game over and over wondering "if" on another day, in another quarter, the Pioneers might have won—memories that relive that state championship match when all the tension of competition was finally broken to celebrate—memories which can almost hear a few bars of "Seventy-Six Trombones" or the "Alma Mater."

In the same spirit which was such an inspiration at MHS in 1976-77, this book is completed with the hope that the memories of an exciting year will continue to generate smiles each time this book is opened.

Mike Raymond observes the batting action of a fellow teammate.

Brian Gunnell and Kitti Swinney hang spirit signs for the basketball team.

Gene Hawkins straightens his tassle before marching out.

Two members of the auto mechanics class carry their instructor, Mr. Maxfield, to the newly built Bradley GT.

The teachers act out their version of "The Gong Show" during a convo.

Jack Coffey and John Carney try to cool off before graduation.
I would like to express my sincere appreciation for all of the cooperation and hard work that was put out by the staff to make this yearbook.

On behalf of the Wagon Trails staff I would also like to express our gratitude to a very special lady, Mrs. Diana Hadley, without whose help and guidance, this book could not have been possible.

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