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Joanne,
I know it
hasn't been the
best years but
it's had ^{been} one
of the best ^{years} lately.
I'm sure you will
see me over the summer
you don't have to call
me every day. To say

Melissa
Kupper

Joanne
It's been an
OK year but
I'm sure glad
it's almost over!
You've been a
great friend.
Have a great
Summer. See
ya around.
- Melissa
Kupper



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C O n s t r u c t i o n — Phase One

by Rayanne Harrington

As years go by, people and things change. Some changes are more evident than others. The change



this year is definitely the Construction. Between the noise, dirt, and confusion, people start to catch on to how to still function. Everyday there seems to be a new noise and a different area of confusion. And this is only Phase One.

The construction started just before September 1st. The contractors, working under Mr. Bragg, clerk of

Mr. Coyle, an employee of Simmons Construction, worked every day at the school. He lives in Garrattsville, so it made a nice job for him, until everyone started asking millions of questions.

Mark Sbatynski works in the playground area removing some of the debris needed out of the way.

the works, started to cut down trees all around the parking lot and the playground.

On September 1, the official ground breaking ceremony took place, Representatives of the major contractors attended. Also Board members, the Student Council officers, many teachers and some people from the community were in attendance. At the ceremony, Mr. Hess spoke.

Mr. Hess said, "With the building project, we will physically and educationally meet the challenges of the 21st Century. And, through all the confusion, frustration and anxious moments will wane in the happiness of the newly renovated and expanded facilities."



As school began, things began to be confusing, frustrating, and anxious. Entrances into the school started closing one after the other. Sometimes we had to walk around inside, forgetting which door to use.

Next came parking lots. The old parking lot was closed, and a new one was chisled out of the playground along West Street. People coming to after-school events had to figure ahead about parking. Those of us here sometimes found it easier to park downtown and walk.

Construction still continues and will until January 1995! Change is the Way of Life here. As Mr. Hess stated, "This is the beginning of a new educational era for MCS."



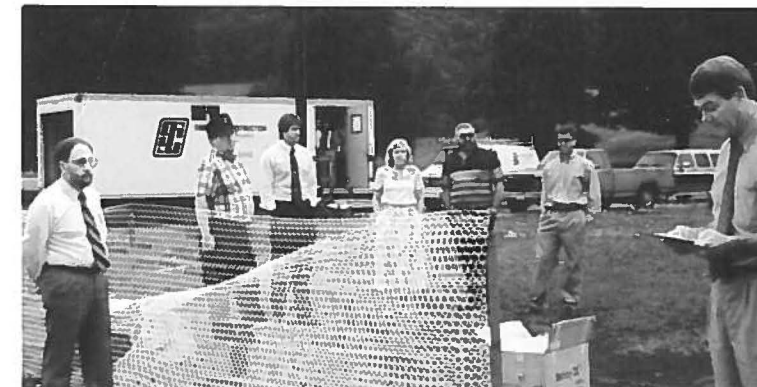
Mr. Hess introduces Mrs. LaLeman, Mr. Leptonen, and Mr. Royce, members of the school board, at the ceremony.

The Contracting team, Mr. Alesia, Mr. Bragg, Mr. Wittman, Mr. & Mrs. Simmons, and Mr. Falco listen to Mr. Hess's speech at the Groundbreaking Ceremony. Every other Thursday, the administration, custodial chief, and the contractors meet in the library to tell the plans for the next two weeks.



Mr. Palme, the Superintendent from Simmons' Construction Crew: "I think the project is going well. The school is fun to work with and the people, are very cooperative."

During the Groundbreak Ceremony, Mr. Royce, Mr. Leptonen, Mrs. MacLeman, Katy Johnston, and Mr. Hess start the digging in the hard hat area using gold shovels and plastic hard hats.



C O Construction Phase Two

by Rayanne Harrington

The construction pushed on with continued development of the plans. Through all the progress, people watched and



learned from the excitement.

The steel arrived in the middle of November. People enjoyed watching the process of putting up the girders and trusses. Mrs. Robbins was very

As people begin to move out of the cafeteria wing, the guidance office moves to the library. Mrs. Joy works vigorously in the non-fiction section.

United Drilling team members drill the hole for the concrete for the elevator shaft. The elevator will stop at the gym level, the main level, and the second floor.

excited. Her eighth graders were studying pulleys at the time. "The crane IS our science," she said.

Because of the weight of the steel, people in the cafeteria wing had to be moved out for safety. Other classes ended up doubling-up to make room for the newcomers.

Since the cafeteria wasn't able to be used, lunch had to be served in the gym. The cafeteria staff prepared brown bag lunches in the Home Ec room, and everyone ate on the bleachers. Mr. Hess said, "I think it went well. Our people seem to be able to adapt to anything." Adapting is a common occurrence this year.

While part of the construction team helped with the steel, another crew began the renovation of the boys' locker room. With basketball season beginning, this caused a slight

problem. The girls' locker room was used for the visiting team, and our athletes changed on the stage in the auditorium.

Along with the locker room being torn apart, there was work on the roof and where the elevator will be. The downstairs hallways were especially chilly with holes here and there covered by plastic. People began to learn to dress a little warmer before coming to school.

And driving to school became a bit easier with both parking lots opening up again in December. There still is a hike to get into the building, and during the rainy season it's not so tidy, but we ADAPT.

So as Phase Two continues, changes are occurring daily everywhere around MCS. The construction adds to the atmosphere here at Morris, one way or another.



"I think this is one of the cleanest maintained buildings I have worked at. The student body and teachers are good to work with." Mark Foote, electrician



Mr. Bragg, Mr. Palme, and Mr. Turnbull observe the assembly of the steel. Lots of eyes were watching on the inside of the building, too.

Heave-Ho! Mr. Hoag and Mr. Turnbull bring lunch to the gym during the week of brown bagging.

Mark Sbatynski works on the parking lot while Mr. Palme prepares for the steel.

Mrs. Miller helps Savannah Hansen with her lunch.



And they say "No food or drink in the gym!" The elementary students enjoy their lunch at the bleachers.

An Other New Face in the Crowd

by Rayanne Harrington

As faces change, so do ideas. This year at Morris many new people have entered into life at school. Some have come with new ideas and others have helped out with other ideas.



As a new year begins, there are new faces all around. Some of the new people have been here before and have returned to Morris.

This year we have five new teachers in school ranging from kindergarten to high school. Mrs. Armstrong is an aide in kindergarten. Mrs. Collison is the vocal music teacher, and Mrs. Mezger is the elementary music teacher.

In high school, there is Mrs. Kirsch who is the librarian. Ms. Miller, the new business teacher, and Mrs. Sloane, the Spanish teacher, have also joined the staff. Mrs. Kirsch stated,

Alex Rogers and Carleen Neer pay their way into the Kick-off Dance sponsored by the Student Council.

"Hi! I'm Sarah." A new member of the Cheerleading Squad, Sarah Fraser does the line-up cheers.

"I like the small, friendly, warm atmosphere."

As new people arrive, many people in the school wonder how they found us or why they found us. Sarah Fraser who came from Cooperstown said, "My parents had to move, but the people are a lot nicer." Alex Rogers on the other hand shared, "I'm a foster kid, but the sports here are great." One whole aspect is many of the new kids who are kindergartners who have no choice but to be new. When asked why she liked Morris and the best thing about it, Jessica Sue Althiser shared, "I like my friendly teacher and it's fun to learn."

Along with new faces come new ideas. This year Mrs. Payne and Mr. Davie both took part in coaching girls' and boys' modified soccer. Having these new programs gave sev-

enth and eighth graders a chance to brush up on their skills before deciding whether to play varsity soccer. "Playing modified gave me more experience. It's a lot different from JC," stated Missy Hopper.

During the fire prevention week, the Richfield Springs Fire Dept. brought a model house to school that the elementary kids visited to learn how to get out of a house during a fire. At the end of the visit the house filled up with "smoke" and the kids had to get out of the house through the windows. Many Student Council people helped the kids get out.

So from new faces such as Beavis and Butthead to new ideas such as tying a flannel shirt around one's waist, many changes occur one way or another throughout the year.



Finding his way around the first day of school, Jesse Sanders asks Karen Maertz who points him in the right direction.

Mrs. Collison, the new vocal teacher, teaches keyboarding as part of the eighth graders' music program.

Mrs. Sloan ponders over her work in the library. She is here half a day to teach Spanish.



"Space is tight but the kids are good. I like working with Mrs. Perkins, and we get a lot done."

Miss LaBash

Jump! Jamie Maertz and Rayanne Harrington are ready to catch Ronnie Miller who is practicing a fire safety drill during Fire Safety Week.



H o m e c o m i n g

by Rayanne Harrington

As years go by, Homecoming seems to get better every year. Some things stay the same, but the different aspects really light up the week.



In Morris, Homecoming isn't just the weekend. It carries on through the week when Spirit week occurs. This year's spirited outlooks were boots and socks, sports logos, blue and white, hats, and the ever-famous dress up day

Kristi Leonard leads the band down the street at Homecoming. The parade went down Main, around Hargrave and Lake, and back through Grove.

The bon-fire returns this year, and people look on to watch it burn. The cheerleaders led a snake dance around the fire, and there was a general Hot Time.

to wrap up the week on Friday,

On Thursday, the cheerleaders held a cheerleading clinic for grades K-6 to teach them how to cheer. Eighty-five kids attended. The cheerleaders had refreshments and pom-poms to give away to those who attended. The kids were separated into different grades and competitions were held. Nicole Cotter said, "I wanted to thank the cheerleaders. I liked it and want to do it again."

Friday afternoon there was an elementary pep rally. The children in grades K-6 yelled for the football teams and the soccer players.

In the evening the big pep rally was held. All of the players and parents were invited to a dinner sponsored by the Booster Club. The football players, coaches and chaperones went and got wood, and Mr. Coyle lit the fire. The cheerleaders did their line-ups and crowd cheers. Mr. Hunsinger gave a speech and the seniors were pinned. Then the King and Queen were announced. Queen Katy Johnston was escorted by

King Travis Wilson. The court this year was Jesse Matteson and Karen Maerz and Austen Asquith and Kim Hoag.

The weekend was wrapped up on Saturday with the parade and the game. A fire truck with the King and Queen led the parade, with Mr. Galley's big blue truck behind, carrying the football team and the cheerleaders. The band brought up the rear playing "Rob-in Hood."

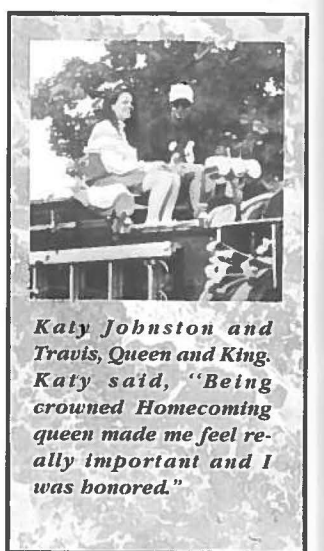
During the first half of the game, the pep band played. This is the second year they've played and many enjoy playing in it. It presents a different atmosphere for the crowd.

The football team lost the game to Sherburne, but Homecoming was a hit again this year. The Homecoming Dance was well attended, and TRAXX played music that pleased the crowd.

The more people put into the week, the better it turns out. You never have to doubt that, one way or another, there will be a Homecoming.

Go Big Blue! The football team and cheerleaders ride on the truck for the parade. After the laundry mat on the return trip, many band members joined them.

"Go, Fight, Win." The pep band gets ready to be peppy during the game.



Katy Johnston and Travis, Queen and King. Katy said, "Being crowned Homecoming queen made me feel really important and I was honored."

The line gets ready to play defense against the Sberburne Offense. Sberburne's big, but Morris wasn't creamed.

Heather Mudge, Dana Tracy, and Hannab Jacobsen help the cheerleaders out at the game. They learned their cheers at the clinic on Thursday.

Mark Jacobsen shows his spirit during the football game. He wore the clothes, ran the moves, and looked really cute.

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olidays: Special

Days

by Rayanne Harrington

Holidays come and holidays go. At Morris we try to do something special to bring the holiday alive. The big holidays celebrated the most are Halloween and Christmas.

When Halloween comes along, people begin to decide what costume to wear. The costume has to be easy to march in. The third annual



Mrs. Shumway and Mrs. Armstrong check out the different costumes before the parade begins.

Moo! Heather Lum shows off her costume during the parade.

Halloween parade took place with most of the children, teachers, and other staff taking part. After the people returned to the school, there were donuts and cider for those who participated. The parade was big hit again this year for everyone.

After people finish with Halloween, they get prepared for the upcoming Christmas season and all the activities that go with that. 'Tis the Season!

The big thing on many people's minds is the Christmas dinner. The Student Council, staff, and the community get ready for this annual event. This year the food was served restaurant style. There was music for entertainment: Mr. Clement on the piano, the teacher and staff choir, and a brass quintet.

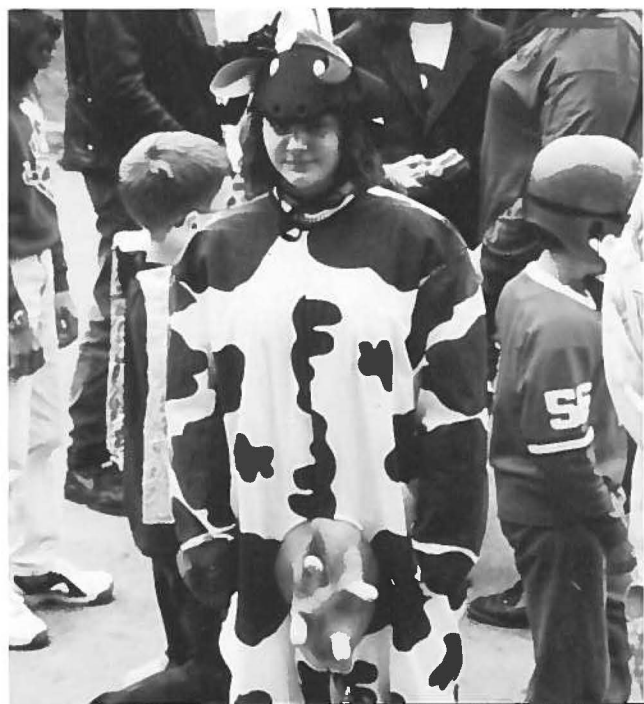
This year marked the first year that the blessing was giv-

en by a student, Katy Johnston, Student Council President.

Christmas wouldn't be complete without concerts, and this year they were divided into two nights. On the 16th, the bands and choruses performed to a packed house. On the 20th, the junior chorus presented their musical called "Super Claus" which was a short musical. There were special groups and ensembles that also performed that night.

Add all of this up, and throw in a few class parties, some local Christmas caroling, a few brass instruments playing outside classrooms, and the sounds of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* coming from a TV, and you know that it's Christmas.

Once again, one way or another the holidays get celebrated at MCS.



"I didn't get to be in the parade because I had a soccer game, but I figured I'd wear my costume all day anyway."
Teresa DeLaurentiis



The band shows off school spirit and Halloween spirits by participating in the parade.

Jennifer Kopp helps Matt Sullivan get his food during the First Annual Christmas Buffet. Because we were brown-bagging during Thanksgiving, we had a regular feast for Christmas.

The junior chorus practices "Super Claus" during their classtime.

A table of senior citizens listen to the brass choir before the dinner begins.



Ryan Harrington, Holly Gray, and Larissa Dunbam help set up tables the morning of the dinner. Most of the dishes were donated by Fred Lemister.

In ne Door, Out Another

by Rayanne Harrington

Every year in some way, Morris tries to open its doors to the public. This year we achieved this in the fall



by holding the third annual Grandparents' Day and the annual Open House.

Grandparents Day was held with a new approach. Since parking was limited, people parked at

Steven Jacobsen has lunch with Mr. Jacobsen, his grandpa.

Kate Martin and Jon Hillis take the empty dishes back to the cafeteria during Grandparents' day.

the firehouse and were brought up to the school by school bus. The food was served family style in the classrooms by the Student Council.

After lunch, the grandparents were off to the auditorium for entertainment by the junior high chorus. They also stopped by the office for desserts supplied by the teachers and staff.

Mrs. Torrey said, "The day was wonderful. The entertainment from the chorus and transportation was excellent." Ms. Hazen also stated that "the day went well except for the kids who didn't have a grandma." Maybe that will be something for the Student Council to work on for next year.

Morris also held the Annual Open House. It was a success, as usual.

The night started with a spaghetti supper sponsored by the sixth grade to earn money for their trip to Nature's Classroom. In

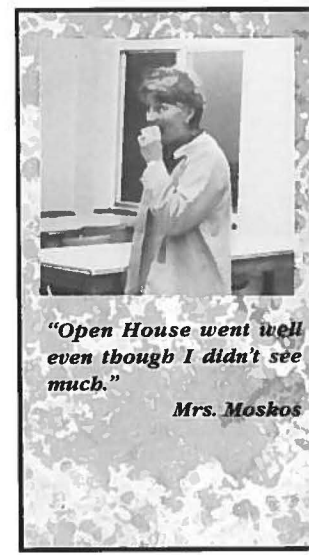
the gym, many tables were set up on display from within the school community and from outside groups.

At 7:00, Morning Program was held for the elementary students and their parents. They sang songs and did the usual Morning Program things.

As the night progressed, entertainment began and parents were able to browse around the school and see the teachers, staff, library, computer room and their friends. Refreshments were available in the cafeteria.

Sonja Galley shared that, "It was good. I got to play games with my parents." Mrs. Norlund kind of agreed. "The night was great. There was great attendance. The whole program was excellent."

So, as Morris opened its doors to the public once more, many people attended both and they left generally happy people.



"Open House went well even though I didn't see much."

Mrs. Moskos

Almost Over! Winn Hoag and Randy Anne Perkins wait to play in the band during Open House.



Smile! Nicole Cotter and grandparents wait impatiently for lunch in Mrs. Layman's room.

More water! John Mitchell and Nicki Musser made dessert during Open House for food and nutrition. Stephanie Dunham, Robert Kopp, and Mr. Race wait for taste testing.

Jennifer Coyle and Jenn Kopp sell yearbook pictures at Open House.





One Lesson In

Nature

by Katie Shearer

This year the Morris sixth grade took a trip never taken before. Mrs. Moskos, a fourth grade teacher, and Miss Labash, a sixth grade teacher, chaperoned the trip called Nature's Classroom. This trip took place to Becket, Mass. on November eighth through the twelfth. The



trip cost \$130, but each student raised enough money to deduct about \$30.

Each day of their trip was full of learning and fun. Breakfast was at 8 AM, and the day ended at 9:30 PM. Each meal was family style, and every kid had a job. Some of the jobs were setting tables, bringing food to the

The group chaperoned by Miss Labash and Mrs. Moskos takes time for a group picture.

tables, clearing the tables, and sweeping the floor. This taught them responsibility.

They were also taught another important consumer skill. This was called ORT and was taught after meals. They scraped their scraps into a bucket. Then it was weighed. The first day it was done its weight was six pounds, and by the end of the week it weighed less than a half of a pound.

The afternoon parts of the days were spent in field groups or a variety of classes. In the field groups, students went for hikes and learned about edible plants. They also did group tasks to teach them how to work together. In the classes they dissected a shark. Amy Robinson said, "The shark dissection was my favorite because I liked cutting it." They also built bridges. One class built a suspension bridge that was tested by the whole class.

On Wednesday the whole group went on a hike. It was at least eight hours long. Patrick Pegg said, "I learned a lot of lessons, but the biggest one was teamwork." During this hike they also learned about erosion, rivers, and animals. Shawn Chambers said, "I was told that a woodpecker hits a tree seven million times with his bill."

Two of the biggest adventures for

the kids as well as the chaperones were the town meetings and the underground railroad reenactment. The town meetings dealt with environmental issues. They split the kids into groups and each represented a side. They debated the issue and realized that no one side won. In the underground railroad, the kids were the slaves and the chaperones were the conductors. Each was given a map to get from the ship to the land of freedom, Canada. The Nature Classroom instructors were the bounty hunters along the trail. If the slaves were caught they were sent back. Before reaching freedom they went to a safe house where they would hide in a closet until told to come out. Then they had to run to freedom while being chased. At the end of this activity they went over the lesson they learned.

Kristie Wells said, "The trip was a wonderful learning experience for me." Karen Lehtonen commented, "I was a little nervous when getting ready to go on the trip, but I would love to go again."

Miss LaBash and Mrs. Moskos are bringing this trip to the BOE again to make sure that the next class coming into sixth grade will be able to go on this great learning trip.



Young architects at work. Jeff Schaffer, Mike Dawyot and John Bugyi build a Geodome.

Learning to read a compass, Andy Pasternak, Robert Mudge, and a student from Rice, Mass. expand their horizons. At Nature's Classroom, there were two schools. Morris' sixth graders were joined by fifth graders from Rice, Ma.

Just killing time Brandy Anderson, Amanda Heath, and Tonya Miller try to stay warm before the day began.



Amanda Heath sits on her bed during free time. When asked what she thought of the trip she said, "It was cold but fun. We had lots of things to do."

Working together, the A-Team challenged themselves with Frankenstein Feet by attempting to walk three feet as a group.



Taking a break from looking over some library books, Naomi Valentine and Mrs. Zeiner smile for the camera.

Nate Elliott, a Dr. Seuss fan, tries to block out the morning light in homeroom by wearing the Cat in the Hat hat used last year for P.A.R.P.



Fifth grader Michael Waffle gets ready for his math class. This year fifth grade is combined into one class with Mr. Holcombe as the teacher.



"Basketball and soccer. We do so well in those two sports."

Kim Hoag



Three new seventh graders, Jessica Walling, Cheryl Webster, and Angela Tedesco, look over some things for Mrs. Harrington's English class. Going from sixth to seventh grade is quite a big step Cheryl finds out.



Taking advantage of their library passes, Mike Sullivan and Chris Cleary read *The Daily Star* to find out the scores for the area games.

O h, here we are again!

by Kate MacLeman

Everyday the students and teachers come to MCS for a few reasons. The students want to learn and the teachers want to, in every way possible, prepare the students for the big world once they have finished their time in high school. Besides cramming for last minute tests, spending hours upon hours in

the library researching, and studying their brains out, the people at Morris Central always seem to have smiles on their faces and are having fun.

What makes Morris Central School special?

"The people in it and the teachers." Lacey DeMorier "Everyone tries to be involved in sports."

Stephanie Dunham

"It's so tiny and everyone

knows one another so everybody basically gets along."

Lisa Matson

"How much the teachers care."

Nikki Musser

"The cooperation between the older and the younger students. The older ones help out the younger students." Mrs. Congdon

"The way people come together in a crisis."

Mrs. Joy

MCS is a special place to attend everyday. Making friends and remembering those special times spent with close classmates helps our school grow together. In one way or another, Morris has special qualities that make us stand out from other schools.



Some of the junior class members gathered in the auditorium for the annual first day of school assembly. They meet new teachers and run through the rules.



At the ground-breaking ceremony, many MCS staff and friends showed up to watch. Mrs. Payne's daughter Lauren, Mrs. Boyle, Mrs. Boyd, Mr. Brillinger, Mrs. Haight and Mrs. Shumway's daughters, and Mr. Gould watch at the ceremony that took place on September 1.

Concentrating carefully in class, Zechariah Roe waits for his turn to line up to go outside.

One Step Into the Future Kindergarten and Pre-First

J. Althiser
D. Bouten
A. Brzenk
M. Card
N. Dugan
A. Foy
R. Galbreth



S. Galley
J. Hennessy
V. Hulse
J. Connor
A. Joy
E. Kogut
A. Korth



S. Maricle
J. Mellus
M. Miller
J. Myers
T. Pagillo
J. Pestana
C. Sage



K. Sanborn
B. Sarro
D. Seeley
C. Sellards
K. Smith
E. Shumway
D. Simonds



T. Sullivan
G. Ward
J. Ward
M. Wilcox
A. Wing
L. Wing



N. Bodie L. Cobb J. Doloughy H. Doloughy S. Gregory S. Jacobsen S. Lamphere

Pre-First A Class Out of the Way

by Jamie Maerz

For a few years now, Morris Central School has offered a Pre-first program. Parents who never had children in that program have no idea where it takes place. The Pre-first program is isolated from much of the school, it is located out near the shoproom, upstairs from the art room.

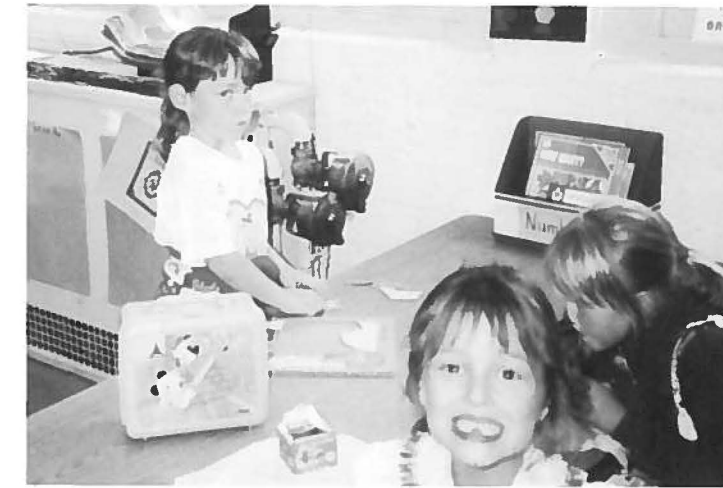
This year will be a very complicated year for everyone in Morris Central School, including Pre-first. Because of the renovations going on, our school is un-

der total extremes. A lot of the main routes that the Pre-first children take during the day have been cut off and changed.

Miss Wilson said about the class being outside the main building, "It's wonderful! I think it's enriching for children because of the exposure to both technology and art. It also gives them a chance with both male and female teachers!" Heather Doloughy said, "I like going outside to go places."



Puzzles, smiles, and snacks. Heather Doloughy, Seneca Jacobsen, and Nicole Bodie know how to make school worthwhile.



Taking a break from class, Dana Simonds finds time for a quick picture and sit up or two.

Emily Kogut and David Seeley put their things away for the end of the day. Snack milk and put-up chairs: two of kindergarten's little things.



R. Moseman M. Parsons Z. Parvi A. Ward



Mrs. Dixon teacher Mrs. Miller teacher Miss Wilson teacher Mrs. Armstrong assistant

One Year in the Life of First Grade

J. Berdon
S. Collison
B. Decker
P. Dugan
B. Fish
J. Foerster
J. Hoag



H. Jacobsen
S. Jacobsen
B. Joy
A. Lamphere
D. LaTour
J. Longcor
J. Longcor
D. Lorette



J. Luckhurst
T. Ludwig
J. Lukeman
K. Matson
K. McMullen
J. Meyers
R. Moeslinger
A. Neece



A. Pagillo
K. Panczyk
S. Parker
A. Patterson
J. Roe
R. Sage
J. Seeley
C. Simmons



M. Simonds
C. Tice
D. Tracy
M. Tracy
M. Turner
J. Wallace
M. Weissman
E. Wells



Mrs. Holcombe teacher
Mrs. Torrey teacher



Mr. Hess superintendent
Mr. Brillinger principal
Mrs. Turnbull secretary
Mrs. Phillips teaching assistant



Mrs. MacLeman
BOE president



Mr. Royce
BOE



Mr. Norton
BOE



Mr. Lehtonen
BOE



Mr. Ross
BOE

Grade One-Fun

by Jamie Maerz

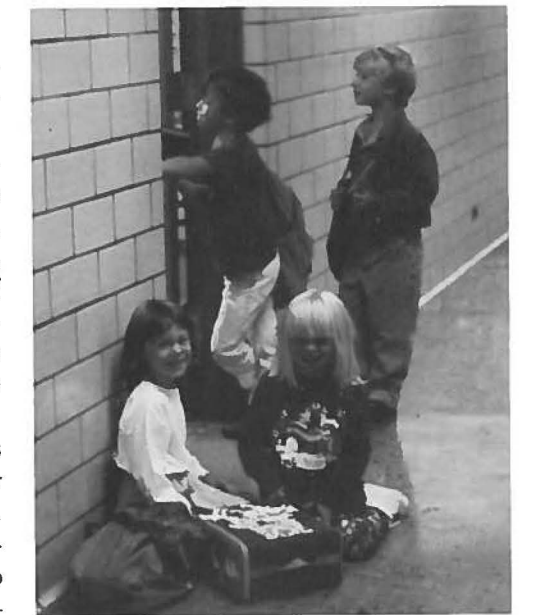
School started in September, and everyone knows that students go through drastic changes. One of the biggest steps of in-school life is from kindergarten to first grade. And one of the biggest changes is the students have to deal with not as much playtime.

First grade is, according to Mrs. Holcombe, the roots of a child's whole education. When all the little six year olds get into first grade, they start to learn to read, if they don't know how already. They continue to

learn the letters and the numbers, learning to count. The tasks for the first grade teachers, Mrs. Holcombe and Mrs. Torrey, are to teach those students to read, write, add, subtract, tell time, count money, and, of course, how to read a calendar. As the year goes along, the tasks for the children get harder.

Not many other grades are as hard as this year for learning new things. Mrs. Holcombe said, "I believe the hardest thing to learn is to sit still, be quiet, and listen." Even after all the new learning, the students still have the basics to get down.

Hard at work, Mrs. Holcombe's first grade does their math with blocks. Using manipulatives is a new way to learn math.



Waiting patiently for school to start, Hannab Jacobsen, Dana Tracy, Cody Gibson, and Eric Kolvik find things to do before 8:20 am.



Mrs. Boyle treasurer
Mrs. Myers secretary

Not Just Another Grade Second Grade

K. Armstrong
S. Bemis
T. Burdick
J. Canfield
J. Card
C. Chichester
A. Clary



N. Cotter
T. Cuzzo
S. Galley
J. Gibson
C. Goupil
A. Gutierrez
S. Hansen



V. Harben
C. Henness
R. Jacobsen
P. Jacoby
J. Joy
E. Kolvik
A. Kristofik



M. Krupp
T. Leverknight
E. Longcor
C. Maricle
A. McGrew
M. Melius
M. Meyer



M. Miller
T. Pasternak
C. Perrotti
J. Polimeni
C. Postighone
M. Robbins
C. Robinson



Mrs. Boyd teacher
Mrs. Cotter teacher
Mrs. Layman teacher
Mrs. Dawyot assistant
Mrs. Brandow teacher
Ms. Christianson speech therapist
Mrs. Brown teacher

Math Their Way

How many tootsie rolls are in this apple jar? How many pounds do you think this watermelon weighs?

How many teeth do you have? These are just a few of the questions that the second graders answer after they learn to estimate. Estimation is one of the skills that teachers in second grade believe makes math "more visible," as Mrs. Boyd says. Estimating is one of the math skills that students learn when doing Math Their Way, a new approach to mathematics using lots of manipulatives.

The rooms are full of charts and graphs and "junk." The junk is stuff like covers to bottles, bread bag tags, crystal light tubs, and straws — anything that can be counted and bunched and moved around. The charts of trail mix ingredients in Mrs. Cotter's room show how many cups of which kind of mix ingredient was brought in. Then the mix is made and the snack for the week in the room.

In Mrs. Layman's room, little

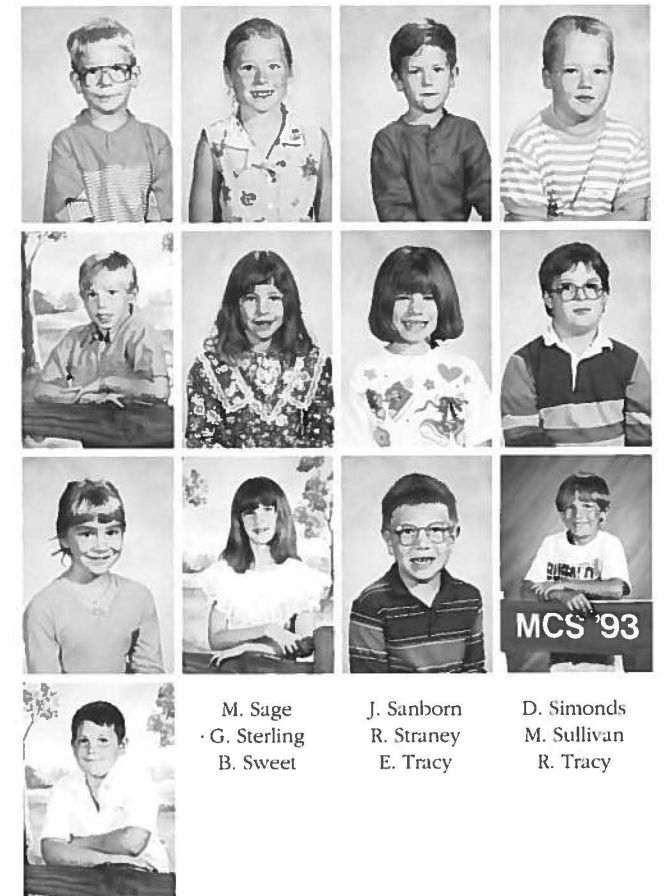
slips of paper with the estimation of the number of tootsie rolls in the apple jar are on each child's desk. Then the actual count is made. As ten tootsie rolls are counted, they are placed in paper cups. This helps to learn place value. Once the count has been made, the tootsie rolls make a great snack.

When students were asked to estimate the number of teeth they have, some guessed "81 or 82." Then using mirrors, the students counted the teeth they had. Matthew Meyer knows the value of estimation. He said, "My dad does it all the time. He's a builder and he has to figure things out."

Mrs. Cotter is new to the second grade. Twenty-six years ago when she was a new teacher, she taught second, but for the last nineteen years she's been in the fifth grade. She says she is really enjoying the experience, but that it's quite a big change for her. But her second graders, like most second graders, "love to learn and are little sponges." She estimates that it will be a good year.



Mrs. Payne teacher
Mr. Jacobsen teacher
Mr. Sperling teacher
Mrs. Lussier teacher



M. Sage
G. Sterling
B. Sweet
J. Sanborn
R. Straney
E. Tracy
D. Simonds
M. Sullivan
R. Tracy

T. Robinson
N. Simmons
S. Sullivan
J. Zachow



Since there is no recess after lunch, the second grade is lucky to head to gym at 12:30. Tonya Pasternak and Jessica Card use up some energy there.

Making Our Way Up Third Grade

D. Bemis
J. Bemis
E. Boest
K. Church
T. Cobb
R. DeSantis
E. Fish



T. Foote
J. Fraser
S. Galley
A. Gregory
T. Heath
M. Henness
S. Henness



J. Hoag
J. Jacobsen
A. Joy
J. Loomis
S. Maricle
M. Miller
S. Miller



T. Miller
C. Mitchell
N. Neece
K. Newell
M. Norlund
A. Parvi
S. Pasternak



P. Pegg
D. Radulewicz
C. Rendo
A. Roe
C. Ruke
T. Sattel
J. Skinner



Mrs. Zeiner
teacher
Mrs. Haight
teacher
Mrs. Norlund
teaching
assistant



Mrs. Mezger
teacher
Mr. Ernst
teacher
Mrs. Collison
teacher

Another Way to Learn

by Jennifer Kopp

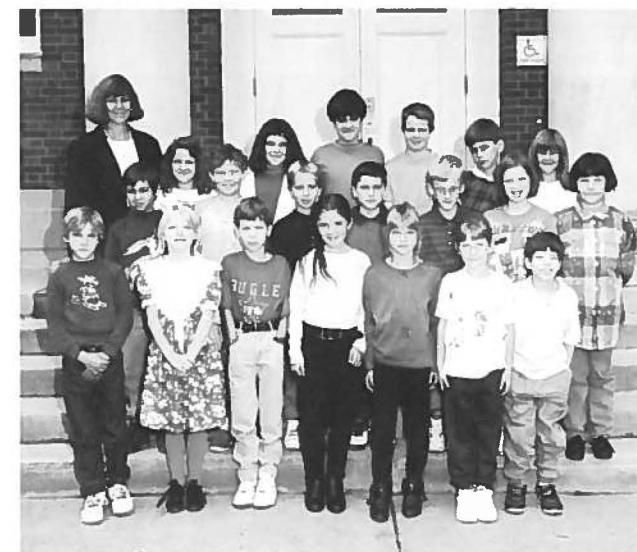
In the third grade, students are exposed to a whole new way of learning. Many new ideas and ways of doing things are introduced to these students, for example, cursive writing and multiplication.

Some of the third grade students were asked what they thought of cursive writing only two days after they started learning it. The teacher, Mrs. Zeiner, said the students were learning it well and in January they start writing everything in cursive. Most of the students said they thought it was fun, but some felt it was hard. "I like doing letters, but some are hard," was Monica Wells' viewpoint. "You do a lot of

curves," said Tiffany Heath. Karen Newell said, "It's OK. Sometimes I just don't get the letters right."

There are some interesting views on multiplication from the third grade. Although when asked they had not yet started multiplication, they all had their ideas of what it was going to be like. Most of the students felt it would be easy, but some did feel it would be hard. Surprisingly, some of the third grade students already knew how to multiply so they were not worried about the upcoming challenge.

The teachers think the students are doing their best and learning very well. By the end of the year, they will be ready to attempt the challenge of taking on fourth grade.



J. Straney
N. Valentine
B. Webster
M. Wells



Mrs. Elliott
nurse
Mrs. Kirsch
librarian
Mrs. Kodrich
aide



Mrs. Miller
elementary
counselor
Mr. Gould
guidance
counselor
Mrs. Joy
secretary

Another Way to Make It Fourth Grade

S. Allmendinger
A. Armstrong
K. Barker
A. Berdon
J. Bogert
C. Broek
B. Bugyl



J. Cimmorelli
B. Cotter
D. Dawyot
L. DeMorier
B. Doloughy
G. Edwards
K. Ewing



B. Houck
M. Kara
K. Klein
A. Longcor
S. Longcor
A. Lukeman
R. Miller



J. Mills
A. Moore
D. Moore
R. Naubereit
M. Olsen
S. Radulewicz
M. Ross



A. Sargent
R. Sarro
A. Shumway
T. Smith
N. Valentine
A. VonUngern
S. Wilcox



Y. Wilcox
J. Wood



Mrs. Douglas teacher
Mrs. Moskos teacher
Mrs. Shumway teacher
Ms. Briand teacher

Two for the Price of One

Renovate, evacuate, consolidate, hesitate! Those are the key words this year if you at Morris Central School. The fourth and sixth grade had a great deal of hesitate/evacuate.

Early in the school year, the teachers at these levels learned that the wall between Mrs. Moskos' room and Ms. LaBash's room would be mashed out and a larger room would be constructed during the renovation portion of the building project. So in early October they packed up what they could and prepared to consolidate.

Mrs. Perkins cleared the way for the other sixth grade with their teacher to join them. Mrs. Douglas planned to cram at the same time. Then plans changed and changed some more. Finally, the two classes were to be merged.

So teaming is the name of the game. Mrs. Douglas said that Mr. Gould had to rearrange a few specials so

that recorders wouldn't be played during a science lesson. But all along Mrs. Douglas was looking forward to the time to "team teach and share" with Mrs. Moskos.

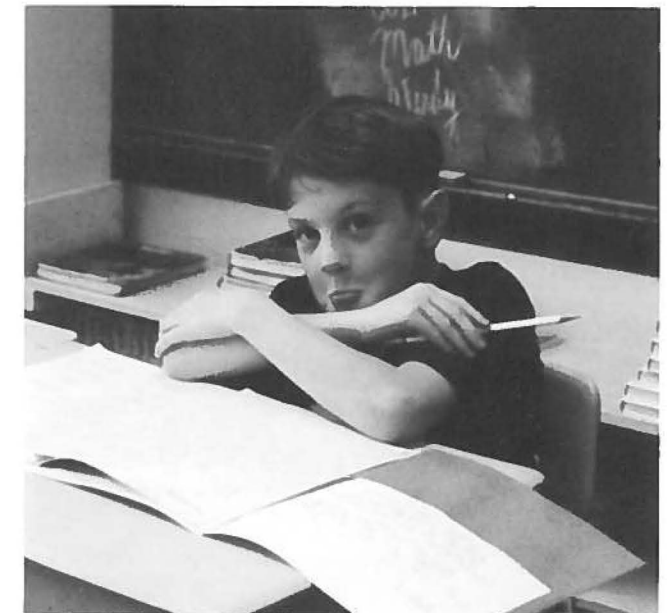
Ms. LaBash said it was quite easy to merge the curriculum, but getting the go ahead for the people move made marking time the pace. Half of the classroom stuff was packed, but it had no where to go.

The kids mostly liked the whole idea. Fourth graders Sara Wilcox and Dawn Dawyot both knew it would be a good idea because they would get to see their friends more. Sara added, "I know we can't talk, but I'll get to see them."

Andrew Goodspeed "Can't wait. This room is too big, and it's warmer in Mrs. Perkins' room."

Teaming and cooperating and learning and listening and crowding together. One class at a time or two classes together, fourth and sixth learned.

In Mrs. Moskos' classroom, Authur VonUngern and Brad Houck work to finish their science homework. Fourth graders have to take a state science test, so science is a big issue.



Showing his enjoyment, Mark Ross licks his lips showing how good learning can be.



Ms. Pepper Substance Abuse Counselor
Mr. Uhl Psychologist
Ms. Hazen assistant
Mrs. E. Miller cafeteria manager
Mrs. R. Miller cook
Mrs. Tkaczow cook
Mrs. Norton cashier

One Noteworthy Class

Fifth Grade

C. Allmendinger
D. Bourgeois
W. Burdick
C. Canfield
J. Chase
J. Christman
M. Church



D. Cotten
B. Howland
B. Jacoby
R. Klein
L. Maerz
T. Miller
H. Mudge



K. Naidul
M. Norlund
L. Palmer
S. Parvi
M. Polise
M. Robbins
S. Sargent



L. Simpson
D. Smith
T. Thomas
M. Waffle
B. Webster
R. Wells



Mr. Holcombe
teacher



Mr. Turnbull
sup. of building
and grounds



Mr. Hoag
janitor



Mr. Finneran
janitor



Mr. Card
janitor



Mr. Bronson
janitor and driver



Mr. Melius
driver



Mrs. Colburn
driver



Mr. Douglas
driver



Mr. Johnson
driver



Mr. Moore
driver



Mr. Nelson
driver



Mr. Phillips
transportation
supervisor



Mr. Teed
driver



Mr. Wayand
driver

The Musical Way

In the summer, many students don't think about school at all. But, if you are interested in music, like many fourth and fifth grade students are, in the summer of fourth grade, you start taking music lessons. And then in fifth, you continue. Your goal is joining the elementary band, once you get to page thirteen in the lesson book.

Mr. Ernst, instrumental instructor at MCS, says that fifth grade is a good time to learn music. The first lessons are on getting started, "putting the instrument together and learning how to make that first sound." This particular fifth grade is good, he says. "They are good musicians who will add a lot to the elementary band. Even though the total fifth grade is small in numbers, they are musical."

The hot instruments are drums for boys, flutes for girls,

and the saxophone. Lots of kids want to play the sax because they are familiar with it as it shows up often on MTV.

Michael Robbins is learning the trumpet, but he already has been taking violin lessons for years. He prefers the trumpet, however, because he "doesn't have to practice every night." Since his violin is a private lesson, he also likes the group lesson in school.

Shakira Parvi and Ryan Klein are two other fifth graders who are adding their talents to the band. Shakira plays the flute because "I like the sound; it's low and high." Ryan said, "The trumpet looked fun and easy. It looked like I would enjoy it. I am enjoying it."

Along with birds and leaves and United States history and squishing into one room, music lessons also are a learning thing for the fifth grade.



Reading, writing, and arithmetic! Shakira Parvi, Tanaisha Thomas, Bryan Jacoby, and Kyle Naidul work with Mr. Holcombe on math.

On Their Way to the Big Time Sixth Grade

B. Anderson
J. Bugyi
K. Catania
S. Chambers
N. Cotten
M. Dawyot
W. Gates



A. Goodspeed
L. Hazen
A. Heath
M. Jacobsen
C. Kara
K. Lehtonen
M. Lull



P. Miller
T. Miller
J. Mills
R. Mudge
D. Moore
M. Norlund
A. Pasternak



P. Pegg
S. Purdy
C. Robinson
A. Robinson
J. Schaffer
E. Straney
K. Wells



Smile! Cecilia Mannino takes time to show her beautiful smile for the camera.

A. VonUngern



Ms. Labash
teacher



Mrs. Perkins
teacher

A New Way to Make Buddies

by Katie Shearer and Jamie Maerz

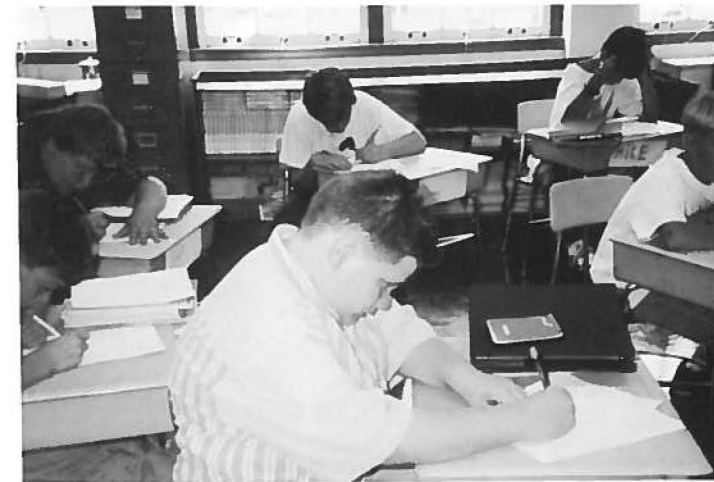
This year, the sixth graders tried a new approach for helping younger children. Teachers Miss LaBash, Mrs. Perkins, Mrs. Torrey and Mrs. Holcombe all worked together to make plans for the older kids to work together to give the first graders someone to look up to.

Some of the activities planned were book reading and getting to know each other better. The biggest event that the sixth and first graders were building up to was a trip on December 15, 1993, to see The Nutcracker Suite.

The sixth graders were paired up with first graders. Doing this helped teach the sixth graders responsibility and helped the teachers keep everyone under control. Miss LaBash said, "All the kids are enjoying this project and were really excited about The Nutcracker."

Mrs. Holcombe said "having the older kids come down to spend time with the younger kids really excited the students. All the first graders seem to enjoy the time spent with the sixth graders."

Having this new approach of making new buddies will give the first and sixth graders friends for the whole year.



Concentrating in order to pass his test, sixth grader David Moore plans on a successful end to the exam.

Practice makes perfect for Elizabeth Straney, Mindy Lull, Sarah Purdy, and Kristie Wells.

Time Out! Jessica Dunham, Kristie Wells, and Karen Lehtonen take the sixth grade with pride.



Do You Know the Way? Seventh Grade

L. Amataccio
B. Asquith
N. Bogert
D. Button
N. Cimorelli
C. Coyle
M. Curasi



J. Eberling
L. Ewing
M. Foote
J. Gibson
D. Harris
L. Hoag
M. Hopper



W. Kellum
S. Kolvik
B. Leonard
D. Moore
S. Moore
W. Moeslinger
J. Phillips



J. Patterson
J. Polise
J. Radulewicz
R. Rock
A. Rogers
J. Ritchey
J. Sanders



J. Simpson
A. Tedesco
D. Tracy
J. Walling
T. Walley
C. Webster
S. Wilcox



Mrs. Congdon teacher Mr. Shackleton teacher Mr. Ritzman teacher Mrs. Harrington teacher Mr. Race teacher Mr. Packard teacher

No Way, No Recess!

by Katie Shearer

When you enter seventh grade, many things begin to change. Classes become longer and harder. You have longer to wait for lunch time, and the biggest change of all is having no recess time.

Robin Rock says, "Not having that extra free time took some time to get used to." Jacob Radulewicz and Nicholas Cimorelli added that it doesn't really bother them because they got most of their energy out in gym or during lunch when they play basketball.

Junior High for most kids is a big step up. Most

of them make it through all right and get into the swing of things. Almost all the students come to like high school life better because students are more independent. For students just hitting seventh grade, making your own decisions is a big thing.

Deciding how to spend the few minutes left after wolfing down a lunch is just one of the decisions. And not having recess makes for one less choice. One good thing, though, is that without recess, no one can keep you in from it in order to make you do your work.



Computers! Danny Tracy and Mrs. Kodrich work on the computer in the library.

Science! Brain Leonard and Sara Kolvik work on getting their animal reports done for Mrs. Congdon.



Our Way is Best Eighth Grade

H. Barton
Y. Barton
M. Cahill
B. Card
A. Coyle
L. DeMorier
R. Douglas



C. Douglas
L. Dunham
R. Elliott
R. Harrington
J. Harris
R. Hoag
C. Joslin



J. Kellum
M. Lehtonen
J. Loucks
S. Loucks
H. Lum
C. MacLeman
J. Moskos



R. Myers
M. Naubereit
K. Owens
J. Phillips
K. Sargent
V. Smith
J. Sterling



M. Tedesco
C. Thomas
A. Vosburgh
S. Waffle
K. Wagner
C. Weeks
J. Wilcox



Mrs. Leal
teacher



Mrs. Robbins
teacher



Mrs. Russell
teacher



Mrs. Birdsall
teacher



Mrs. Sloan
teacher



Spanish — A New Way to Speak

by Katie Shearer

This year for the first time the Morris school administration has put Spanish in for students in seventh and eighth grade.

For right now only students in these two grades can take Spanish because students in ninth through eleventh have been taking French. When the class of '97 graduates, it will be the last French class.

Mrs. Leal, who has taught the language class of twenty-one years, is retiring. Mrs. Leal says, "I feel bad about the students that won't finish their three

years with me."

The new language teacher Mrs. Sloan will be teaching both Spanish and French until the class of '97 graduates, and then she will just teach Spanish.

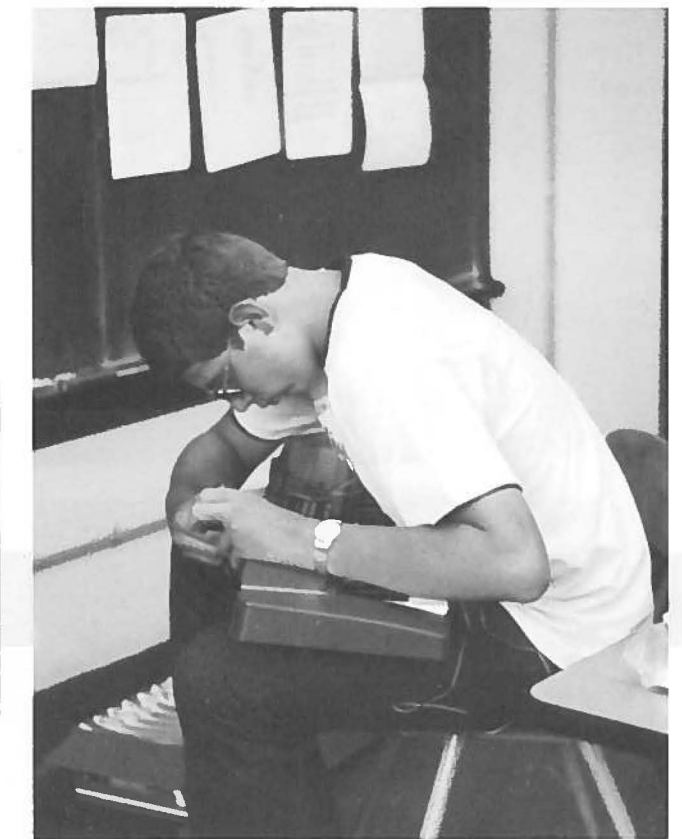
Some of the eighth graders taking Spanish were asked if they minded it or if they would rather take French. Jackie Phillips who is taking Spanish said, "I'd rather take French because I liked the language better." The Jr. High Chorus, which is seventh and eighth grade, said, "We like Spanish much better than French because it's a lot easier."



Future pianists, Mathia Cabill and Lacy DeMorier practice on keyboards in music class taught by the new vocal music teacher Mrs. Collison. In eighth grade music, students learned to read music, use chords, and to compose a simple song.

Type, type, type. Beau Barton works on his computer skills during Computer Literacy. Learning to use the Mac is a necessary skill in today's world.

Chris Douglas puts his keyboard away after a long class of trying to figure out songs and writing the notes on paper.



The Right Way Ninth Grade

M. Chambers
C. Cleary
B. Cotter
K. Crawford
J. Denza
K. Finneran
S. Fraser
G. Grant



H. Gray
M. Harben
W. Hoag
J. Johnson
M. Joslin
J. Joy
C. Kaminski
R. Kopp



J. Koster
M. Lum
L. Matson
A. Matteson
K. Meredith
E. Moore
T. Newell
J. Parker



R. Perkins
H. Purdy
M. Riordan
K. Roe
R. Schindler
J. Seifert
W. Sites
K. Somerville



S. Sullivan
D. Tracy
J. Wells
K. Whitehead
C. Winkler
C. Worden



Math can be so stressful! Mark Riordan sits in the library during study hall to do his homework.

Ninth graders really know how to work. Justin Dumbam takes a break while Holly Gray really goes at it.

The Ways of Fashion

by Jamie Maerz

Another year in school means another year in fashion. And the pressure is on for the ninth graders. It's their first year in high school and, in their eyes, life is a fashion show.

Having to pick out the perfect outfit can be a lot of stress. Should it be flannel? Should it be jeans? And which jeans?

The rest of the school is watching all those smiling, bouncing, talking ninth graders walk down the hall wondering if they look okay, realizing that their fashion sense is that of a twenty year old. Jessica Joy says, however, "I just wear what's comfortable." Clayton Kaminski said this about his choice of wardrobe each morning: "I wear what I feel. Not many people are wearing bell-bottoms these days."

Why do people wear what they wear? I guess that's what makes the fashion.



Taking a break in the day, Kevin Meredith and Geoff Grant take a drink. Getting hot and sweaty playing basketball during their lunch period is a common occurrence.



Another Year Down Tenth Grade

A. Alger
M. Amatuccio
S. Birdsall
R. Chambers
C. Cleary
T. DeLaurentiis
J. Eldred



S. Goodspeed
M. Lum
K. Martin
C. Morlock
W. Mudge
R. Myers
K. Owens



C. Paesano
S. Pegg
D. Phillips
R. Robinson
J. Schaffer
J. Schindler
M. Seifert



Relaxing during the business course taught by Ms. Miller, Matt Boynton looks up for a quick shot.

E. Simpson
J. Sullivan
M. Sullivan
C. Winkler



Mr. Davie
teacher

Mrs. Kristofil
teacher

Ms. Miller
teacher

Ms. Stevenson
teacher



One Way to Earn

by Jamie Maerz and Katie Shearer

Going to school five days a week, we learn a lot about each other. We learn what people like to eat, where they work, and how they can tolerate the pressures of everyday life. But what do those same students do over the summer?

The average age for tenth graders is sixteen years of age, and everyone knows what sixteen means. It means car, license, gas, car insurance, and, of course, a job.

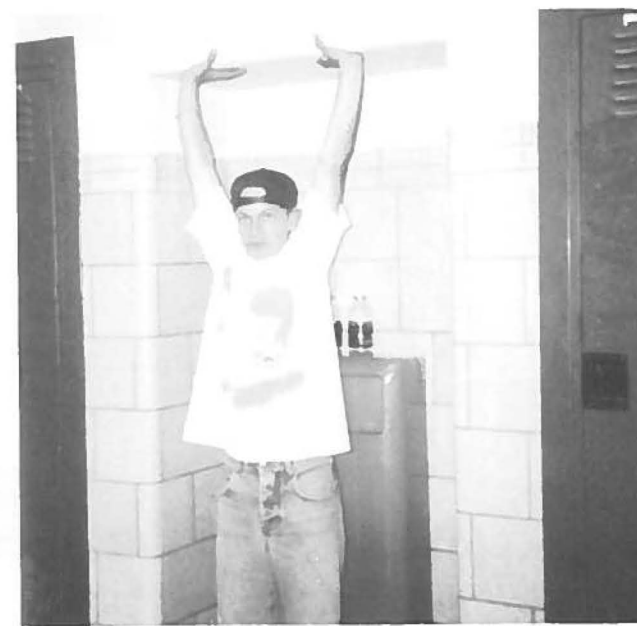
Summer jobs can range anywhere from babysitting to working in a restaurant. The wages can also range

from \$2.00 to \$5.00 an hour!

Many people work for different reasons. Katie Martin, an employee at the Arctic Circle Ice-Cream Shop, said, "I got a summer job to make spending money, to buy things that are important to me."

Rebecca Myers had a job that went on into the fall. She said, "Managing time around a job and playing soccer was a hard thing. I had to make my mind up and decide which was more important to me."

Having a summer job is a good thing for us. It teaches responsibility, financing a life style, and gets us ready for the real world. It also helps us buy some things we want and to plan ahead for college.



Wow, I'm finally tall enough! Jake Hoag realizes during lunch that he's been growing.



During the Morris football game, ninth and tenth graders Jessica Johnson and Jody Schaffer enjoy the nice weather and their good view.

During Mr. Davie's social studies class, Seth Birdsall, Jeremy Eldred, Rayburn Chambers, Chris Paesano and Scott Goodspeed take a time out to get a picture in.

Another day in French, Andrea Alger looks up the definition of some words to help her finish her class work.

One Step More and There!

Eleventh Grade

J. Adair
L. Bassett
C. Bradfield
C. Bradfield
E. Brown
J. Cahill
A. Chaplin



J. Coyle
J. Denza
N. Dixon
J. Eldred
J. Finneran
S. Grant
D. Gregory



R. Harrington
J. Hoag
K. Hopper
G. Joslin
R. Joy
J. Lawton
K. Leonard



A. Lum
K. MacLeman
J. Maerz
R. McCann
N. Musser
B. Palmer



R. Pope
J. Rockwell
J. Ross
K. Shearer
S. Smith



S. Tracy T. Walling K. Webster

Another Way Around

by Jamie Maerz

What gives all teenagers the freedom in the world, yet it's just a little square piece of plastic? A driver's license, of course.

Driving now-a-days, for the eleventh grade, is the "in" thing, especially driving to school. But there is one disadvantage this year because of the renovations going on. There aren't any parking places in the parking lot because of the decrease in the number of spaces. The lot formerly used by the students is full of construction trailers. Cars are lined up along the streets and the parking lots are tightly squeezed full.

Not many people are happy about not having anywhere to park, but they drive anyways. Rayanne Harrington said, "It doesn't bother me to park a long ways away from school because

everyone else in my class is doing it."

Over last summer, half of the junior class took driver's education in Morris. Mr. Veenhof from GMU taught the course. For four weeks, approximately twenty-five sixteen and seventeen year olds woke up at 7:00 to go to school and learn more about being a cautious driver. They learned the skills necessary to drive safely, the difference between all of the signs, and about the hazards and statistics of drunk driving.

Jarrett Rockwell said, "Driver's Ed was cool. It was a pretty stimulating experience for all of us."

So now the juniors can drive. Some have cars. Some have blue cards. Everyone knows now that having a license can be so much fun, but who knew it would be so much walking!



Three year veteran football player Rob McCann rests on a sign during his lunch period, contemplating his future practice.



Steve Tracy and study hall. Not a good match.

"Lab Rats" Stephanie Grant and Kristi Leonard study their physics homework for an upcoming test.

Go where? Seventh grader David Button shows David Gregory where to go.

On the Way Out

by Karen Maerz

Leaving home can be one of the hardest or easiest things a senior does. Going away to college or leaving for the real world becomes reality very quickly.

Many seniors feel the hardest part of leaving is saying good bye to their friends and family. Making a new start with new

friends, a new home, and even a new environment can be very hard and stressful. The change can be hard to deal with for some students. It could be easy at first for the new college students, but then it could be hard as they get deeper into their classes.

But some seniors feel that college and leaving home will be easy. "I think

leaving home will be easy because I want something different from the same old thing," said Brock Drake.

Even the strongest and most independent students will come home to visit their family and friends sometime or other. Some students say they will come home as much as possible and some say they will only come home

on holidays. But they all agreed it was a matter of location. "If I am nearby, I will come home every weekend," stated Chad Schindler.

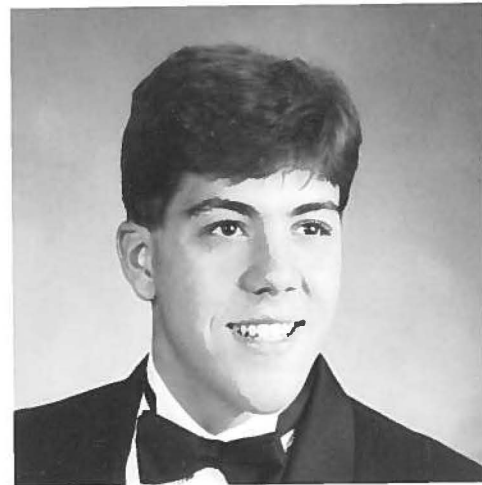
Some things are easier said than done. College and the real world are two of those things . . . until the time comes.

<i>Austin Brock Desjardis</i>	<i>Nathaniel Elliott</i>	<i>Karen M. Maerz</i>
<i>Jonya Brundage</i>	<i>Michael Giovenco</i>	<i>Jesse L. Matteson</i>
<i>Michael Christian</i>	<i>Jordan Hillier</i>	<i>John Middel</i>
<i>Jill Delp</i>	<i>Himbury Hoag</i>	<i>Anga Pierce</i>
<i>Shelly Ann Young</i>	<i>Katy Johnston</i>	<i>Chad Schindler</i>
<i>Brock Drake</i>	<i>Jennifer M. Kopp</i>	<i>Travis R. Wilson</i>
<i>Stephanie Dunham</i>	<i>Ryan Koster</i>	<i>Michele Winkler</i>



Another Memory or Two

Jon Hillis scoring touchdowns.
Stephanie and Jenn were inseparable.
Group bathroom visits.
Mrs. Rogers teaching us how to make flower arrangements.
Drivers' Ed.
Imaginary plane rides with Mrs. Zeiner.



Austen Asquith



Michael Christian

Seeing it Our Way

by Karen Maerz

As the weekend rolls around, seniors look for things to do to occupy their time. From working to going out with friends, they find their time used up.

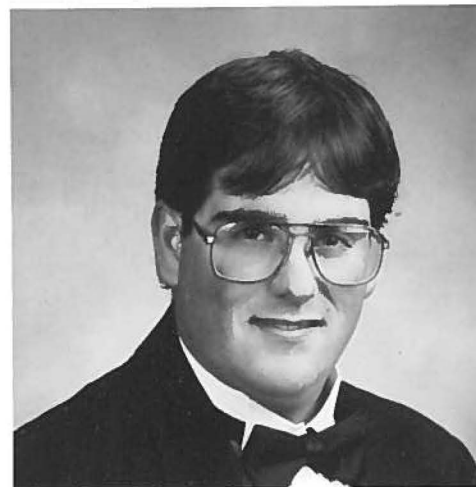
Living in such a secluded area students sometimes have to search hard for something to do. Having a driver's license is a benefit. They can go shopping, hang out at the mall, drive around, go to parties. Night life and the weekends seem to be the times to hang out and visit friends. They sometimes go camping, play sports, or go skiing.

Some seniors enjoy the comforts of home and their family. A few sit home and watch TV or listen to the radio. Calling a friend on the telephone is also very common. Mostly, the seniors find themselves working — whether it be a job or little chores around their house or their homework.

Being a senior, students feel that they have more work and less time. The weekends and evenings are sometimes their only free time to catch up with friends and work.

Another Memory or Two

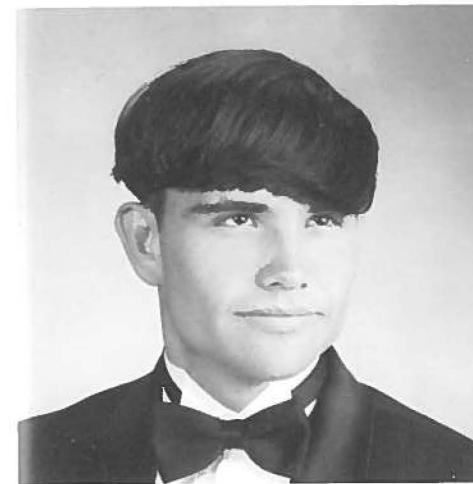
Miss Larson.
The walkers in gym.
Going on walks in gym class with Mrs. Martin.
The Class' language.
Our eleventh grade dance — C & J Sound.
Mr. Stafford changing his hair.



Jeffrey Delp



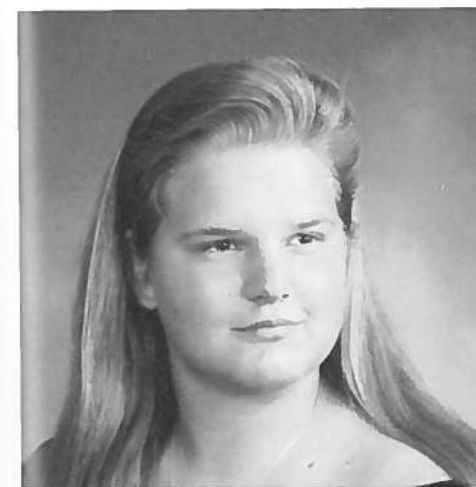
Judy Dougherty



Brock Drake

Another Memory or Two

Brock spiking his hair.
Mr. MacInerney.
Co-ed gym classes.
Ryan fell on his face.
Karen sang the "National Anthem".
Austen loved KISS.

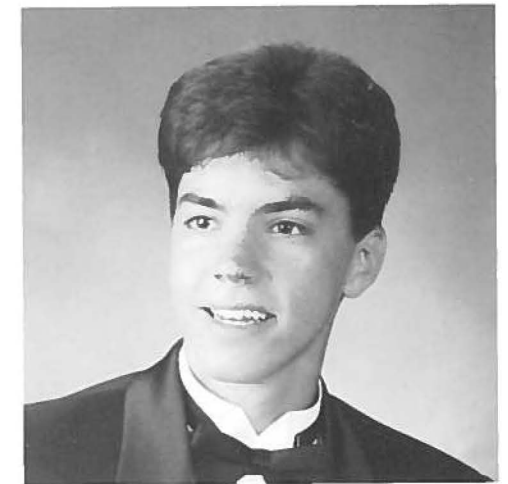


Stephanie Dunham

by Jennifer Kopp and Karen Maerz

In this year's senior class, the students are varied in the number of graduations in their family. The number of children in each of the families range from five kids to one child.

Eighteen out of the twenty-one students are either the first or last to graduate in their family. Only three of the Morris seniors are in the middle of family graduations. They either have



Nathan Elliott

One Graduation After Another

brothers or sisters ahead and behind them. "My brother graduated last year and my sisters graduate after me. This should make my parents experts," said Karen Maerz.

Katy Johnston is the last to graduate in her family. "My parents are getting used to graduations. After having three brothers and sisters to graduate, they are prepared."

Graduating first in her family is Jennifer Kopp. "My family has no idea what they are in for," Jennifer stated after listening to her peers talk about past graduations.

Graduation is much like wine with some families. The years get better with age.

Missing Portraits: Angela Pierce, Tonya Brundage, Travis Wilson, Michele Winkler.

Another Memory or Two

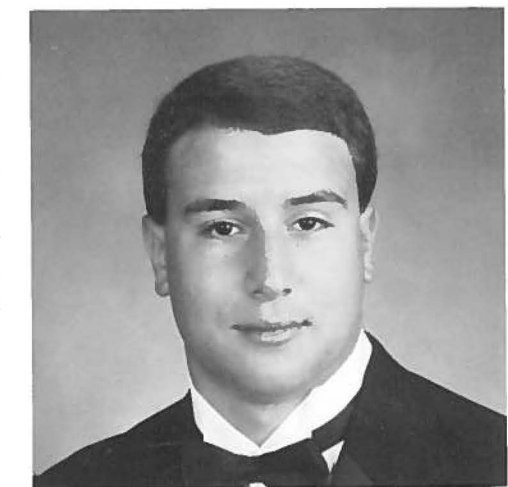
The Boys' Soccer Team left during the pep rally.

The friends we made.

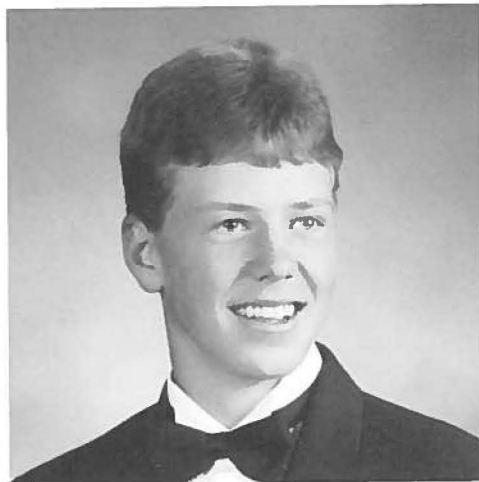
Losing everyone in third grade.

John Mitchell breaking through the window.

Jeff Delp's poems in English.



Michael Giovenco



Jonathan Hillis

Another Memory or Two

French Class.
Chad jumped into a tree.
Taping up John Mitchell in art.
Debates in Miss Stevenson's English class.
Karen picking up the golf ball and throwing it.
Austen and Nate at the Halloween parade.

All for One and One for All Togetherness

Another Memory or Two

Fixing Miss Stevenson's pencil sharpener.
Almost not having a senior play.
The Black Jacks.
Watering the books.
Hershey Park.
Leaf hunting with Mr. Holcombe.

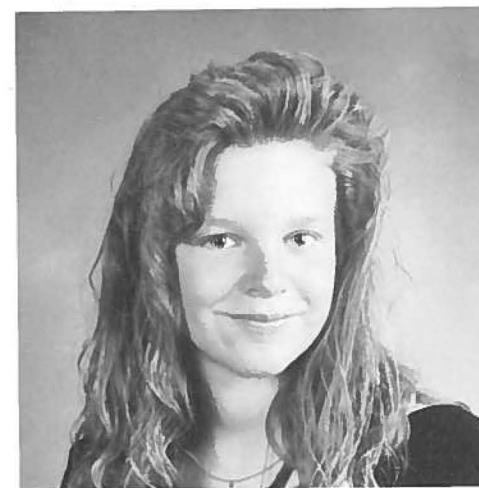
by Jennifer Kopp

This year's senior class has been through a lot over the past years. Many of the students in the senior class have been together since kindergarten. This year was the toughest yet.

The community decided this was the year to renovate the school. The gym, locker rooms, and field were all things that were fixed up. For at least a month the locker rooms were under construction. No one was able to change for gym. Since the gym was being worked on for quite some time, new ideas for gym were needed. The seniors threw around some new energetic ideas: horseshoes, bocci ball, golf, lawn darts, tic-tac-toe, and croquet.

The prom and graduation are also major events in the senior year. The seniors must all work hard to earn the amount of money it costs to put these things on. Also the senior class must decide on where to go for a senior trip, what to do for the senior play, and how to get along with each other for their last year together.

Each of these decisions made by each of the seniors drew them together, apart, and back together. More than ever, it was the time to get close, get the job done, and then say good-bye. The work got done — all for one and one for all.



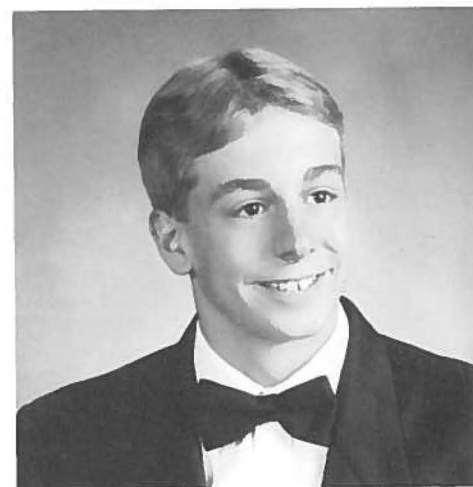
Kimberly Hoag



Katy Johnston



Jennifer Kopp



Ryan Koster

Another Way of Life

Turning 18 and Voting

Another Memory or Two

Record hops.
The Morris Fair.
Osmosis during Boys' Soccer.
Jess winning the New Berlin game with a three pointer.
The painting in the cafeteria.
BB guns on Halloween.
Going for donuts in chemistry.
Trips to the firehouse.
Kimberly hanging out at Interskate.
Being good at the SUCO library.
Brock, desk and all, rolling down the steps in Mr. Ritzman's room.
Mike C. would always win playing King of the Mountain.
Travis' gang in third grade.
Mrs. Benson.
Mike G. reading from *Hamlet*.
Ryan back-stroking into English.
Katy J. and Karen could not find a can.

by Karen Maerz

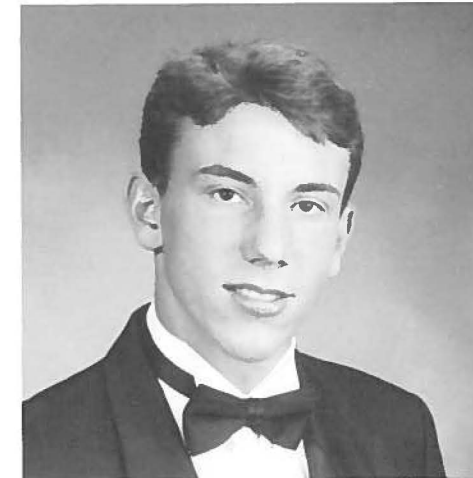
The 1994 Senior Class consists of twenty-one students. Eighteen of those seniors would be eighteen before they graduate. According to the law, these students are old enough to vote.

In the government class, taught by Mr. Davie, the eighteen year old seniors learned how to register to vote. The majority that were planning on voting had the decision now on who to vote for. It can be a very hard thought-process to find the right candidate. New, and even experienced, voters want to make the decision they feel comfortable with. They hope that their vote will make a difference.

Turning eighteen years old can be a big step for seniors. They have more freedom by the law. As the years go and these adults mature, hopefully their votes will make a difference in a positive way.



Karen Maerz



Jesse Matteson



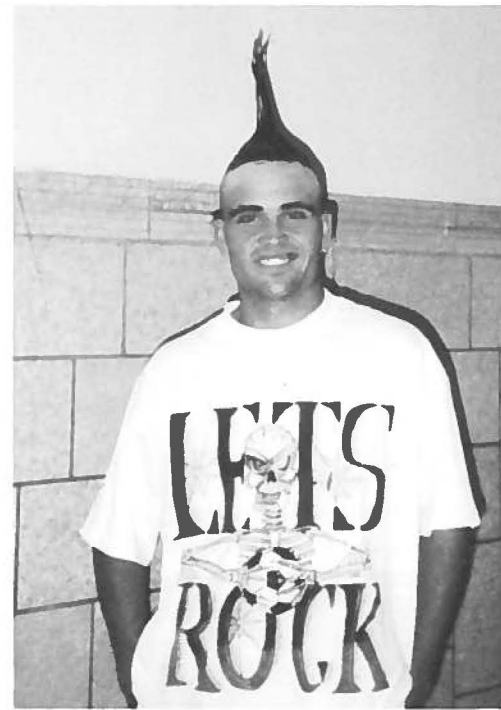
John Mitchell



Chadwick Schindler

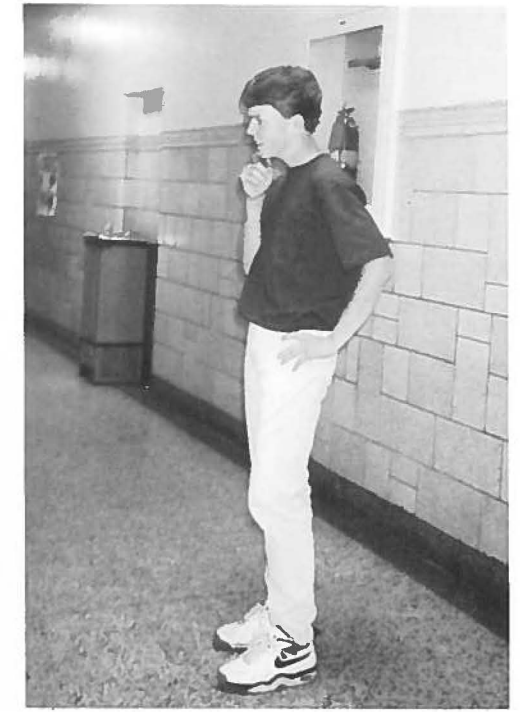
A four year veteran player of the Morris Soccer Team, Brock Drake shows his odd hairstyle, made for him by Karen Maerz.

Student Council President Katy Johnston works hard on posters for Student Council. A major goal of the Student Council this year was getting information to the students.



"Will we win tonight or not?" Jon Hillis ponders about some of his football quarterback calls, plays, and plans.

Here he is, Mr. America. Austen Asquith smiles brightly on the way to band.

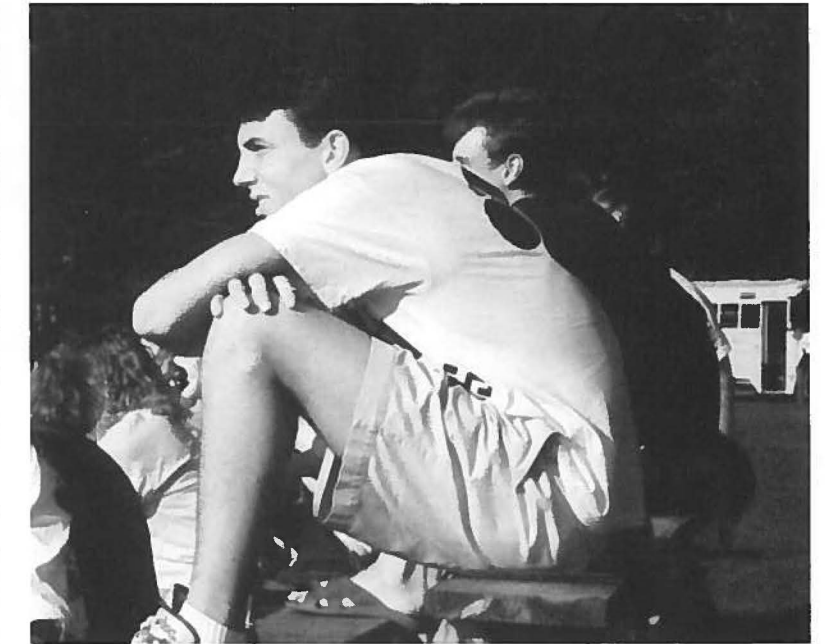


He could have been a former dancer on Soul Train. Ryan Koster shows off some of his moves at the Kick Off Dance. Line dancing was the rage at many dances this year.

Working hard in the library, Chad Schindler takes a break from his physics homework.



Yearbook co-editor Karen Maerz relaxes in the hall during lunch. Being an editor doesn't give one much time to relax.



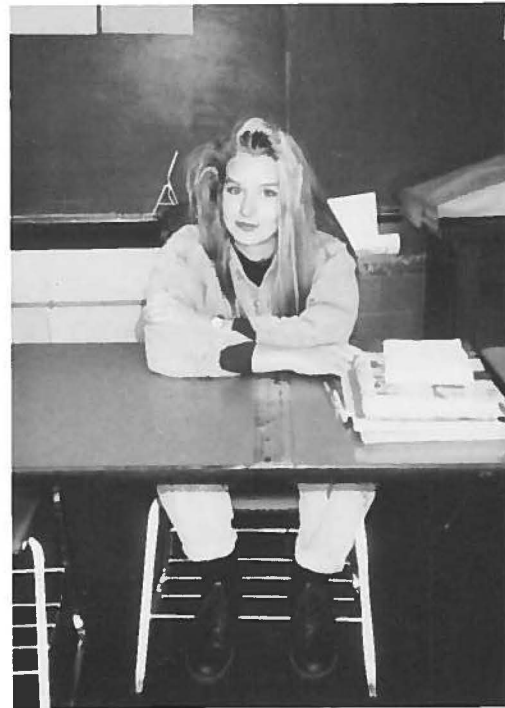
Jesse Matteson watches the girls' soccer game very intently. Jess was out for his soccer season due to a knee injury and surgery early in the year.

Bottoms up! Travis Wilson shows off his uncanny style of spending his free time.

Waiting for the locker room to open to get ready for practice, Kim Hoag spends time talking on the phone. The pay phone gets most of its use during sports' season.

A first year journalism student, Jennifer Kopp waits for instructions to start work on the 1994 Morrisianian.

A long-time member of the band, Nate Elliott practices his piano skills before school starts. Jazz Band starts at 7:30. Nate's fingers start just after that!



Angé Pierce waits quietly in the hall for the sixth period bell to ring after lunch.

Up... one... up... two. Michael Giovenco, a present and future body builder, warms up with Junior Jake Hoag.



BOCES student, Judy Dougherty heads to catch her bus to further her education. She takes child care at BOCES, and she will graduate from both BOCES and Morris Central.

Art student, Michele Winkler, ponders her next project she wants to work on.



Where's my car? John Mitchell finishes his paper and runs out to his car to go downtown for lunch.



Senior BOCES student, Jeff Delp smiles during a study hall.

"I like that one!" Mike Christian makes his decision on his favorite graduation announcement.

Returning for her senior year, Tonya Brundage stops by her locker in between classes to get a few books.

Practicing her typing skills, Stephanie Dunbam works in the computer room during a study hall.



The student government, Katy Johnston, President; Rayanne Harrington, Vice-President; Katie Martin, Treasurer; and Kristi Leonard, Secretary lead the school in the Alma Mater at the first day of school assembly.

Senior Austin Asquith takes a break from his drums in band to check out the next music piece.



Jazz band member Stephanie Grant takes practice seriously even in the morning when Jazz Band has practice.



"Colorguard has a lot of fund raisers, but it is fun."

Kim Whitehead.



Senior High Chorus members warm up before they begin a fun filled, yet hard class.



Two sixth grade elementary band members Amanda Heath and Latrica Hazen chat before warm-up.



O ne Other Activity

by Karen Maerz

Morris Central has many clubs ranging from Student Council to SMAC. These clubs are very important to students in high school and elementary. Just as the clubs are important to students, money is important to these clubs.

One of the most substantial organizations is Student Council. They raise money to sponsor programs that help the school. This year the Student Council raised money for two stu-

dents whose houses burnt down. They held a car wash and chicken bowling. Katy Johnston, president, said, "It feels good helping people." The members of Student Council and the student body also helped out with the annual Grandparents Day and the Christmas Dinner.

Journalism is a class that puts together the *Morrisian* and the newsletter. The class members raise money by selling ads, picture sales, dances, boosters and patrons, and yearbook sales. Journalism pays for film and development for yearbook pictures. They

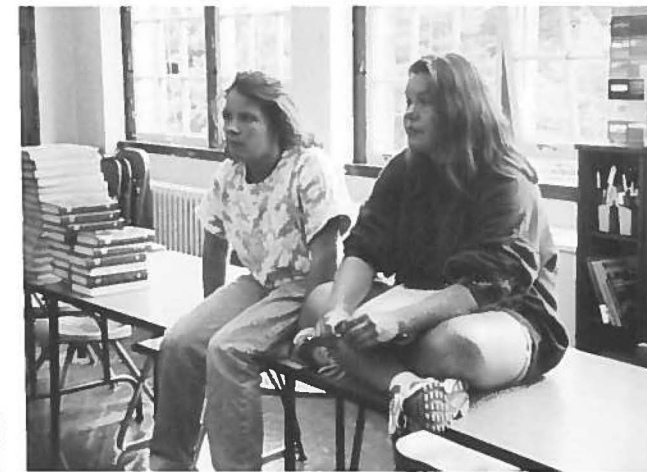
pay to mail and pay for the yearbook. The Journalism Class raises and spends well over \$8000 each year.

Safety Patrol is an elementary group. They raise money for their trip to Washington, D.C. The fund raisers are an individual thing; the more money one raises, the less he has to pay on the trip. "I get cold going from door to door," said Loriann Maerz after getting in from selling candy and wrapping paper. The Safety Patrol also held a circus in the gym and sold burger bucks for Burger King.

After Prom Party is becoming a big thing here at Morris. SADD/RAS is the group that raises money for it. "Everything will go toward the 'after Prom Party'," Joel Denza, president, said. Dances and the Pig Kissing Contest will help out to make it a better party.

The amount of money each club has could make or break them. Having a goal to work for helps groups make their clubs and activities successful. Making money is the hard part, but it is usually spent quite quickly.

Journalism (and biological) sisters Jamie and Karen Maerz listen to Mrs. Harrington run through her instructions.



Kristi Finneran, Holly Gray, Stephanie Waffle, and Kate MacLeman twirl their flags through the air during the Homecoming Parade. All of these girls are part of both the colorguard and the winterguard.

Part of the flute section in the Junior High Stage Band prepare to play their part.

Another Yearbook, Our Way Journalism

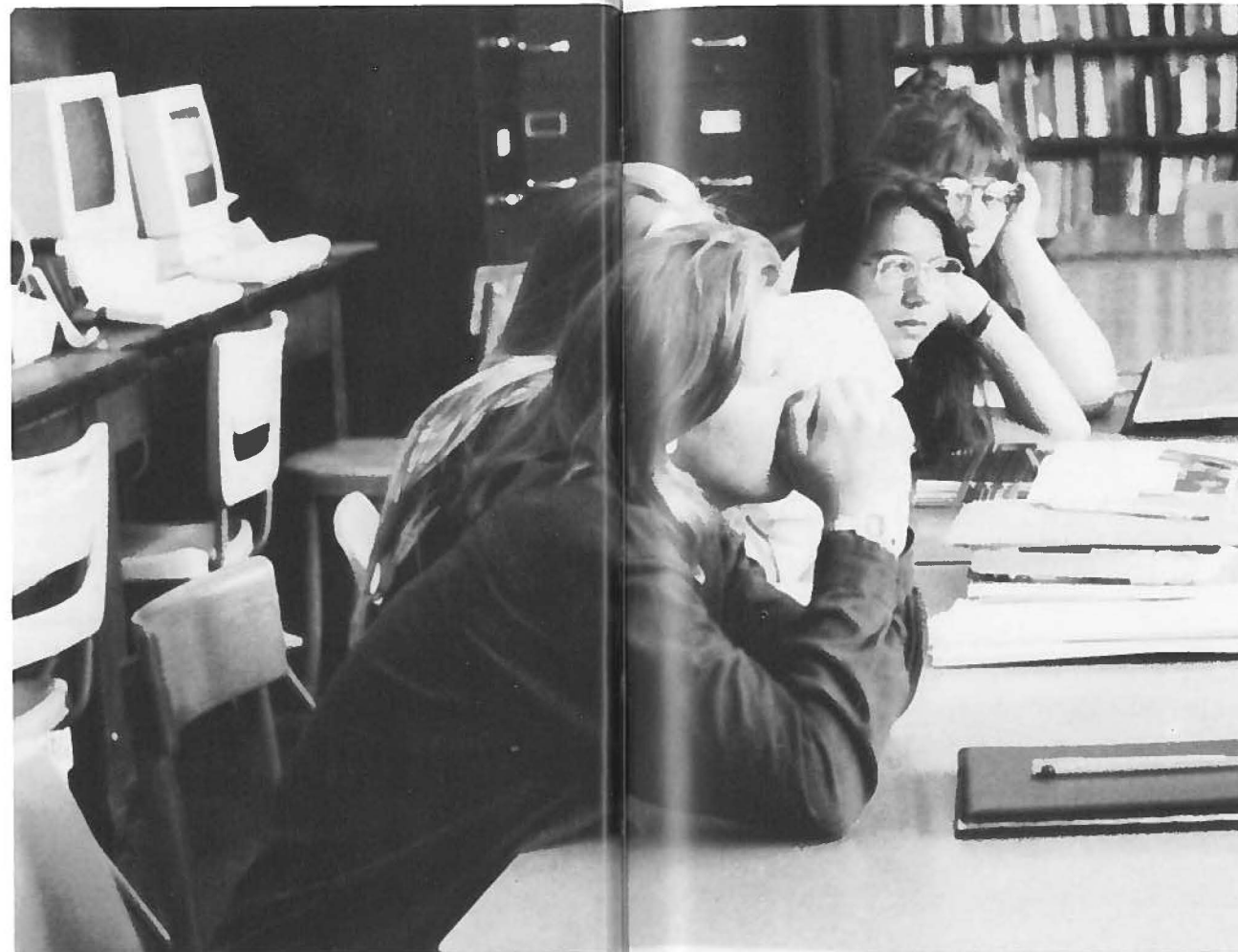
by Kate MacLeman
This year the Journalism Class has been really busy trying to get everything done before the first deadline. Everyone has been working very hard.

The yearbook staff had trouble deciding on a theme. Everybody thought it would be a good idea if the theme was tied in with the renovation of our school. After a lot of brainstorming everyone was happy with

One Way Or Another. A lot of pictures needed to be taken and articles had to be written.

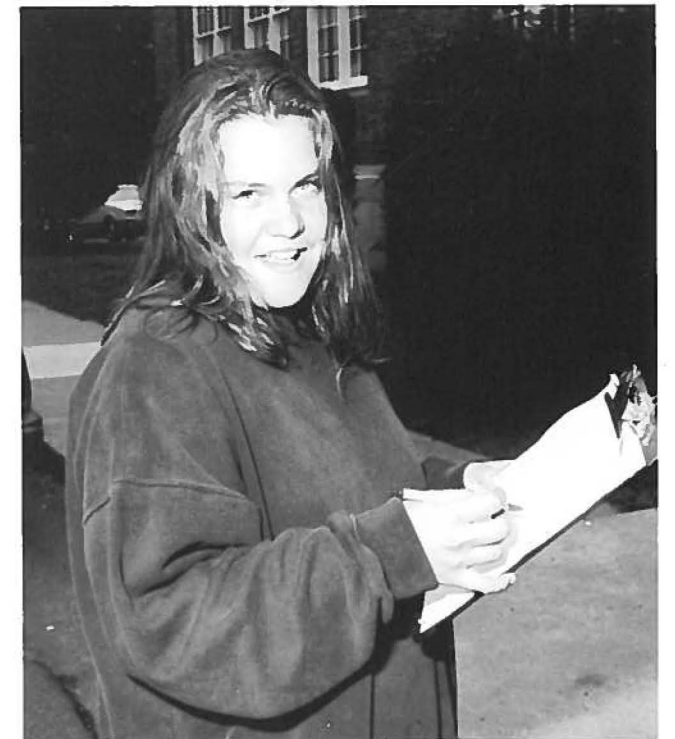
The Journalism Class also has been doing fund raisers besides selling ads, so a successful yearbook could be made. Yearbooks had to be sold, and to supplement the budget, there were refreshments at the Homecoming Dance. Making a yearbook isn't cheap!

Over the summer the Yearbook East



Seniors Kim Hoag and Jenn Kopp and Juniors Nicole Musser and Kate MacLeman gather their energy up before a hard class of journalism begins.

"Will we ever make the deadline?" Editor Karen Maerz checks off all the pages of the yearbook that are done.



Mrs. Harrington, Kim Hoag, Katie Shearer, Jamie Maerz, Rayanne Harrington, Jennifer Coyle, Nicole Musser, Brock Drake, Karen Maerz, John Mitchell, Kate MacLeman



Pondering the effort needed for the yearbook, Jamie Maerz and Katie Shearer are stunned at the exertion needed.

Co-editor Kate MacLeman listens to everyone's ideas about choosing the right theme.

Conference was held at Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts. The two members of the yearbook staff that went were Karen Maerz and Kate MacLeman. They both learned a lot and brought back many useful ideas.

"It was a learning experience. I met a lot of people and I learned a lot. Hopefully I can use what I learned to make one

of the best yearbooks ever." replied editor Karen Maerz.

Besides designing the yearbook the Journalism Class is also writing articles for the newsletter. Anyone who takes Journalism for an easy grade isn't thinking straight. As Jen Coyle stated, "It takes a lot of work and dedication and time."

The Leading Way

by Kate MacLeman

Our school has many leadership groups. Peer Leadership, CHUMS, and SADD/RAS are all run by Ellie Pepper. Ellie has worked this year to unite these groups into one group, basically, since their focus is on the same thing.

Anyone who attended the Teen Institute can be a part of peer leadership. The members of peer leadership have been very busy this year.

The first Prom Promise and after prom-party was sponsored by SADD/RAS and peerleaders. Several fund raisers were planned to sponsor those events again this year.

CHUMS stands for Children Help Unite Morris Students. This group helps sixth grade students get to know more about themselves, other people, and about taking the big step from elementary to junior high school.

These groups had a hard time

finding meeting times. There was no after-school time when everyone could meet, so meetings were held Mondays: one meeting before school, one at lunch, and one after.

SMAC, a new group this year, stands for Students Making a Change. They sponsored an assembly called "Drugs, Death, and Rock and Roll." It was presented by Dr. Burnsworth of SUCO. The main purpose of this group is to make a positive change in the school.

Finally, there is the Safety Patrol. It is very important to the school, providing for the safety of the younger children while teaching responsibility to the older students. The main job is moving students safely into and out of the building. Safety Patrol is advised by Mrs. Cotter and is composed of the fifth grade.

These groups are small but they make a change their way, being leaders in the school.



Morning and Afternoon in front of the school. Safety Patrollers walk kindergarten students to their buses and help students cross the street while off campus buses pull in. Brian Webster drops his arms to allow several students to cross the road. Working along Route 51 is a big responsibility.



Safety Patrol

Front: S. Parvi, D. Cotten, L. Maerz, W. Burdick, M. Waffle, A. Pasternak. Middle: B. Webster, M. Polise, R. Klein, S. Sargent, D. Smith, L. Simpson, B. Howland, M. Church, H. Mudge, M. Norlund, C. Robinson. Back: M. Norlund, L. Palmer, T. Neer, R. Wells, B. Anderson, Mrs. Cotter.



Ho, ho, ho! Jessica Schindler, Jake Hoag and Becky Meyers show off some Christmas cheer.

SADD/RAS

Front: E. Pepper. Back: L. Dunham, T. Newell, C. Paesano, J. Denza, J. Finneran, C. Worden



Before going to a peer leadership meeting, Joel Denza and Jamie Finneran watch some of the football game.

CHUMS/Peer Leaders

Front: J. Coyle, J. Denza. Back: K. MacLeman, J. Schindler, K. Webster, J. Lawton, E. Pepper

One Group After Another Honor Society/Student Council

by Kate MacLeman

Both the Student Council and the Honor Society are working hard to get a lot accomplished.

One of the things that the Student Council is working on is trying to get the disciplinary code clear with the students. The Campus Life presentation was again put on with the help of the Student Council. Also they sponsored the Christmas Dinner. "Everyone is very active in this year's Student Council and I hope that everything will get accomplished," said Katy Johnston. Something else that the Student Council put on this year was Chuck a Chunky Chicken for Cheap. Basically all it was was chicken bowling. Bowling pins were set up on one side of the

gym, and on the other end the person rolled a frozen chicken and tried to knock down the pins. "Chicken bowling was a lot of fun. At first I thought it was a pretty wild idea but everybody seemed to have fun," said Rebecca Douglas.

The members of the Honor Society are chosen very carefully.

This year's Honor Society officers are President, Stephanie Grant; Vice President, Rayanne Harrington; Secretary, Joe Koster; and Treasurer, Jennifer Cahill. "We are trying to build a better school by collecting register tapes," said Karen Webster. "Being a part of Honor Society is such a privilege. It makes me realize that I have other qualities besides being good at academics," said Rachael Myers.



Junior High Honor Society

Front: J. Denza, J. Parker, H. Purdy, K. Meredith, R. Harrington, R. Elliott. Middle: J. Sterling, J. Joy, R. Schindler, M. Cabill, S. Waffle, J. Phillips, M. Lehtonen, W. Hoag. Back: D. Phillips, E. Simpson, J. Koster, B. Cotter, A. Alger, R. Meyers, A. Matteson.



National Honor Society

Front: J. Rockwell. Middle: K. Leonard, R. Harrington, K. Webster, J. Cabill, S. Grant. Back: N. Elliott, A. Asquith, J. Ross, B. Palmer, T. Walling.

Heather Purdy and Mark Harben assist the grandparents on Grandparent's Day.

Rayanne Harrington, Katy Johnston, Karen Maerz and Kristi Leonard help move in the equipment for the Campus Life presentation.



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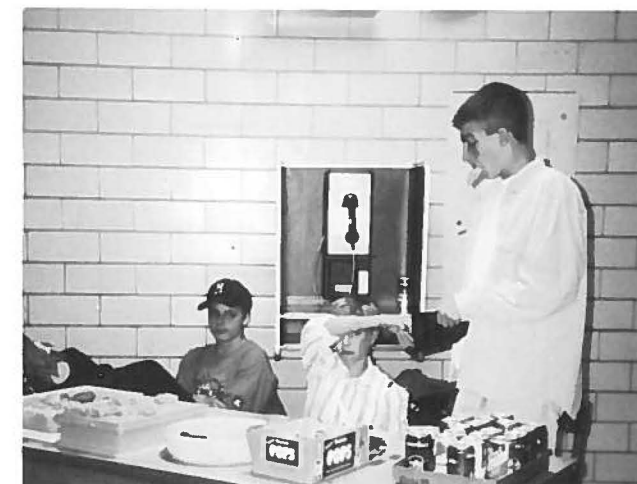
Front: J. Maerz, J. Matteson, R. Douglas. Middle: M. Sullivan, J. Schindler, K. Martin, K. Maerz, H. Purdy, K. Leonard, B. Asquith, C. MacLeman. Back: R. Harrington, K. Johnston, J. Lawton, M. Harben.

Charles Bradfield, Ryan Harrington, and Joe Koster sell refreshments to raise money at a dance.



"Chicken bowling was a lot of fun. At first I thought it was a pretty wild idea, but everybody seemed to have fun."

Rebecca Douglas.



Setting up the dessert table, Katie Martin makes sure that everything is perfect.

A New Way to Sing

by Jamie Maerz

For any of you who have been to a band and chorus concert this year in Morris, you have realized the changes in the vocal music selection. We owe all the credit to our new music teacher, Mrs. Collison.

Mrs. Collison teaches grades 4 through 12, and first grade as she says, "just for fun!" She is originally a student here at Morris and after college she landed a job at Sidney Middle School. After ten years in Sidney she decided to come back to her hometown of Morris. When asked what she thought of teaching here, she replied, "I really like teaching in Mor-

ris because everyone seems very positive!" She added, "I like Chorus the best!"

In high school, she was very active in chorus and band, where she played percussion and the clarinet. "I was influenced by Mrs. Herrick and Mrs. Shields quite a bit and they encouraged me to further my music career!" She also explained that Mrs. Shields was her piano teacher, and Mrs. Herrick was her vocal teacher all through school. "Chorus is very exciting this year because of the new vocal music teacher, Mrs. Collison. She makes singing come to life!" said Amanda Lum.



Elementary Chorus:

Front: A. Shumway, S. Longcor, M. Norland, A. Longcor, A. Moore, K. Barker, R. Naubereit, Y. Wilcox, T. Smith, M. Dawyot, B. Doloughy, T. Miller, O. Bourgeois, R. Sarro, M. Ross. Middle: J. Bogert, S. Allmendinger, M. Olsen, N. Valentine, S. Wilcox, T. Heath, L. Maerz, K. Klein, M. Waffle, J. Wood, J. Cimorelli, B. Webster, B. Cotter, D. Radulewicz, R. Mudge, K. Ewing. Back: A. VonUngern, M. Jacobsen, M. Polise, J. Bugyi, T. Miller, S. Purdy, A. Armstrong, D. Cotten, L. Palmer, T. Neer, J. Cristman, B. Andersen, K. Wells, H. Mudge, L. Simpson, M. Norland, S. Parvi, Mrs. Collison.



Junior High Chorus:

Front: Mrs. Collison, S. Kolvik, C. Neer, S. Waffle, M. Cahill, S. Moore, S. Loucks. Middle: K. Sargent, K. Owens, R. Douglas, C. Webster, J. Phillips, L. Dunham, C. Joslin, S. Wilcox, J. Moskos, J. Radulewicz, J. Polise, B. Asquith, J. Eberling.

Amanda Lum and Kate MacLeman smile while the rest of the senior high chorus sing their "do, re, mi's".

Jake Radulewicz, Joey Polise, Charlene Joslin, Shawn Wilcox, John Moskos and Brian Asquith sing their hearts out so they can be ready for their performances.



Senior High Chorus

Front: T. DeLaurentiis, K. Maerz, K. Webster, J. Maerz, Mrs. Collison, K. Meredith, M. Riordan, J. Schindler, K. Crawford, M. Lum. Middle: A. Alger, J. Eldred, J. Cahill, J. Parker, R. Harrington, A. Lum, K. MacLeman. Back: D. Phillips, E. Simpson, J. Sullivan, B. Sites, B. Cotter, S. Grant, K. Johnston, A. Matteson.

The reindeer, Sarah Moore, Shawn Wilcox and Brian Asquith, do a song and dance routine in the junior high play.



"Chorus is very exciting this year because of the new vocal music teacher, Mrs. Collison. She makes singing come to life!"

Amanda Lum



"I hope you like your new sweater, Mr. Claus." Joey Polise and Stephanie Waffle star as Mr. and Mrs. Claus in the Christmas musical "Super Claus."

Another Space; a Better Space

by R. Harrington & K. MacLeman

Everyone is touched in a different way by the construction. Mr. Ernst and Mrs. Collison are especially excited about the differences the new band and chorus rooms and the renovations in the auditorium.

While looking ahead on what this project will offer, it seems it will make music more interesting. The new rooms will offer sound proof practice rooms. With these, the percussion and the brass will be able to practice at their own speeds and sound. These will also offer the opportunity to have one group play without being disturbed by the other one. There will be specific cages for every instrument in the storage room. There will be a sink for students to clean out their instruments after they practice.

Since there often seems to be the problem of a lot of peo-

ple coming to the events in the auditorium and there is limited seating, making the auditorium bigger by restoring the balcony will certainly be nice. Mr. Ritzman will be moving to a new room, and the balcony will be changed back. New lights will also be added to the stage to make it brighter.

The vocal music department hopes to get new risers. There will be computer access in the music rooms so that students can write their own music and take theory classes to learn more about music.

The music department will soon be able to break away from the tiny practice room and go into a bigger room where students will be able to work and practice and sing better. Everyone is excited. Mrs. Collison says, "I can't wait." All in all there will be another space, a better space for our musicians.



Elementary Band:

Front: S. Parvi, K. Wells, M. Waffle, H. Mudge, D. Cotton, M. Robbins, M. Polise, L. Maerz, R. Klein. Middle: K. Lehtonen, T. Miller, L. Hazen, J. Bugyi, L. Palmer, C. Robinson, B. Howland, K. Allmendinger, M. Church. Back: Mr. Ernst, A. Heath, P. Miller, M. Dawyot, R. Wells, J. Dunham, M. Norlund.



Junior High Band:

Front: C. MacLeman, R. Harrington, B. Leonard, M. Lehtonen, C. Douglas, L. Ewing. Middle: R. Elliott, Mr. Ernst, J. Kellum, K. Owens, J. Phillips, R. Douglas, J. Walling, J. Sanders, S. Kolvik. Back: M. Tedesco, D. Harris, B. Asquith, C. Joslin, L. Dunham, Y. Barton, M. Cahill, S. Waffle, R. Myers.

Austen Asquith and Christian Bradfield practice before leaving the school for the Homecoming Parade.



Senior High Band:

Front: M. Harben, T. Walling, C. Bradfield, B. Palmer, K. Meredith, J. Parker, B. Cotter. Middle: N. Elliott, J. Matteson, B. Asquith, S. Dunham, K. Webster, J. Joy, J. Johnson, R. Perkins, W. Hoag, Mr. Ernst. Back: K. Martin, J. Cahill, K. Shearer, S. Grant, T. DeLaurentiis, J. Schindler, A. Alger, K. Leonard, J. Hillis, A. Matteson, R. Schindler, S. Sullivan, D. Tracy.

"Left, right, left." Mike Tedesco, Brian Asquith, and Yasir Barton march around town in the Homecoming Parade.



Charles Bradfield and Ryan Harrington practice a few hard parts for jazz band.



Jazz Band:

Front: W. Hoag, T. DeLaurentiis, S. Grant, J. Joy. Middle: K. Meredith, J. Parker, R. Harrington, K. Martin, K. Leonard. Back: T. Walling, N. Elliott, B. Asquith, B. Palmer, J. Matteson, C. Bradfield.

Other Ways to Learn Off Campus Students

by Kate MacLeman

There are many students that go to BOCES. It gives them a chance to find out about other career choices that Morris Central doesn't offer. By going to BOCES and attending the classes, it helps people get ready for college in the career area that is of their interest. Sometimes it prepares them to directly enter the work force. Students can attend BOCES in the morning or the afternoon.

Judy Dougherty is involved with the child care program. The first twenty weeks the class has to read a textbook and take tests to learn how to interact with the children. Then they get to run OKK which stands for Otsego Kiddy College. Children from ages three to five attend

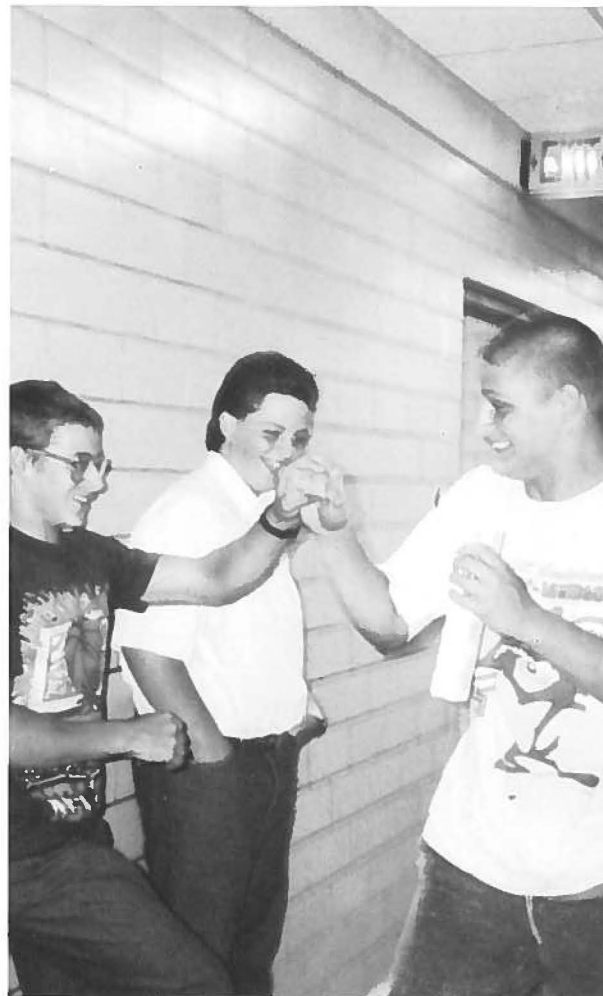
and they are taught their colors, numbers, alphabet, and other things that would help them to get ready for pre-school. Judy says, "I like attending BOCES. It teaches me a lot and prepares me for college."

Introduction to careers is what Mike Joslin takes. This class offers a little bit of everything. "This class is a big help because I learn many different things. Next year when I have to pick my certain career class I will have some information on every class that BOCES offers," Mike said.

Mike Christian is involved with natural resources. "Right now I am learning how to operate excavating equipment, such as bulldozers. The main purpose of the class is dealing with nature," Mike explained.



Oneonta Run: Front: Z. Boynton, T. Warley, M. Scalafoni, M. Meyers, T. Warley. Back: M. Birdsall, A. Boynton, M. Meyers, N. Miller, J. Spencer, R. Smith, R. Decker.



Mike Joslin and Bill Sites kid around in the hallway while Kevin Wagner watches.

Mike Christian and Jeff Delp sit and listen with their senior classmates for directions on how to sell magazines. Mike and Jeff are seniors, but they attend BOCES in the afternoon with the juniors. They have taken advantage of the best both schools can offer.



Christian Bradfield and Jason Sullivan discuss soccer plays. Both guys play on teams here at Morris even though they attend other schools during the day.



"I like attending BOCES. I learn a lot and it prepares me for college." Judy Dougherty



BOCES: Front: G. Joslin, J. Sullivan. Middle: C. Bradfield, J. Delp. Back: D. Gregory, M. Christian.



BOCES: M. Joslin, T. Adair, W. Cimko.



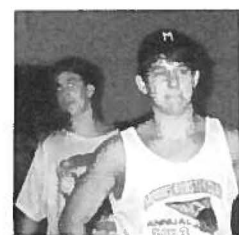
BOCES: D. Kopp, B. Jones. Back: D. Harris, J. Dougherty.

Brother to brother. Charles Bradfield dribbles toward the goal with Christian getting ready for a bounce pass under the basket.

"Oh, Say can you see?" ... Carl Morlock raises his hand to his heart for the national anthem before the game.



Stephanie Grant, 33, passes the ball to Katie Shearer as the other players break to get free.



"Sports gives me something to do in the evening."
Rob McCann



Hi-ya! Four year goalie Austen Asquith punts the ball up the field to an awaiting team mate.



Driving around, Matt Seifert goes down the court to shoot a lay-up and score two points.



One Sport or Another Sport

by Karen Maerz

With an average of 450 students from kindergarten through twelfth grade, Morris is considered one of the small schools. We are lucky enough to have soccer, football, basketball, baseball, softball, and cheerleading.

The sports students are involved in keep them away from the bad scene. Every athlete signs a paper that affirms that

they will not smoke or drink during the sports' season. The students that take their sport seriously stay away from drugs, alcohol, and cigarettes.

Many of the serious athletes are planning on playing from high school on up to college. For some, sports are their main key to college. Some plan on scholarships of all sorts to play and participate in college sports.

Athletes also play in sports to learn about teamwork and the importance of it. Jody Schaffer said, "I play sports because of learning the importance of winning and losing. I have learned them in basketball and softball." With this aspect of sports, it can prepare for students' future job plans.

Although most of the teams don't go on to win the state championships, each athlete goes out on the court or field and tries his hardest.



Making a plan with the coach, Cheryl Webster and Mr. Tracy go over some of the modified plays.



Stephanie Grant, one of the three captains on the Morris Soccer Team, drives the ball away from the Morris goal.

"We are the Big Blue Wrecking Crew." The 1993 football cheerleaders end their cheer in a mount. These girls always had spirit at the games, no matter the score.

More Than One

Chad Schindler, Natban Elliott, and Tyler Adair get excited after scoring the first goal of the game.

by Jennifer Coyle

Coaching more than one sport a year can be very difficult and time consuming. Two of the coaches here at Morris coach two sports during the school year.

Mrs. Payne is a gym teacher, wife, mother of three young children, and a coach for both girls soccer teams and softball. Mrs. Payne said, "It's very difficult for my family because of the late hours and irregular schedule, but it's enjoyable for me. I love to be with the students and it's gratifying and rewarding to watch team and individual improvement."

Mr. Davie is a history

teacher, husband and a coach for both boys' teams in soccer and JV basketball. Mr. Davie said, "I enjoy the competition and teaching the skills." He thinks coaching an indoor sport is easier because you can set the offense easier. Outdoors, the ball is moving more, and it takes more individual skill.

Unlike Mr. Davie, Mrs. Payne coaches two outdoor sports, and she has a rest between the seasons. Mrs. Payne says, "Coaching outdoors isn't as confining as coaching indoors."

Each coach puts a lot of time in, and one way or another, they manage to get it all done.



Waiting to go in, Kristian Owens and Jason Sullivan sit and watch the game.

Mark Harben, John Ross, Brock Drake and Ryan Koster run to the ball to play tough defense.



Front: C. Schindler, N. Elliott, A. Asquith, B. Drake, R. Koster. Middle: T. Adair, K. Meredith, J. Adair, J. Ross, C. Bradfield. Back: J. Matteson, K. Owens, J. Sullivan, D. Gregory, J. Koster, M. Harben, Coach Davie.

One More Year

Boy's Soccer

Soccer This Year

by Jennifer Coyle

The 1993 boys' soccer team consists of only fifteen players. With eleven of them on the field at once, that leaves few for substitutions. It's very difficult to play with such a small team.

The team continued the season, however, with great attitudes. Playing at a great disadvantage, they still seem to make it through every game. First year player Scott Goodspeed said, "Besides the seniors, we really don't have much experience." Six of the players are seniors. It's going to be hard

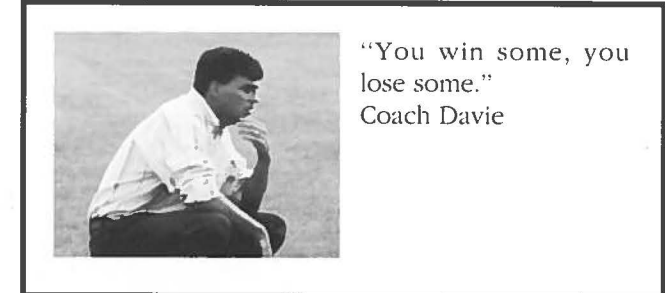
to replace them. Scott added, "It takes a lot of patience to work with such a small team. It's a lot of work."

Senior Austin Asquith, starting goalie for all the year's he's played, added, "This was a building year for next year's team. We have a lot of young players."

Even though the boys didn't win a game this season, they still had good attitudes and played for the fun of it. Ryan Koster said, "The coach told us at the end of the season, 'Just go out there, play your best, and have fun.' I've had fun."

Scoreboard

Opponent	Morris
3 Woreester	0
3 CV/SP	2
4 Laurens	0
5 Franklin	2
1 Stamford	0
3 GMU	0
10 Millford	1
3 South Kortright	0
4 Edmeston	0
2 Laurens	0
4 Davenport	0
3 Franklin	1
2 GMU	0
4 Edmeston	0
4 Schenevus	0
5 Schenevus	2



*"You win some, you lose some."
Coach Davie*



The boys show good sportsmanship by slapping hands at the end of the game.

Showing team spirit, the girls on the bench cheer on their teammates.

Our Way to Make it Work

by Jennie Coyle

The 1993 Girls' Soccer team decided to take a new approach this year. They started the season off with a lesson on units. The girls thought that instead of using teamwork, they would work as one unit. Everyone was part of this unit.

Working as a unit can mean different things to different people. To Karen Webster, a second year player, working as a unit means to communicate and be as positive as you can be towards each other. To Stephanie Grant, working together and helping each other out when they need it seems to be a better definition.

The season started out

with Coach Payne handing out papers for the girls to read. All of them were on working as a unit. After reading them, Mrs. Payne said that they were to put what they read to use. The team was going to become a unit.

The girls worked hard and used everything that they read. Every time Coach Payne thought the girls were forgetting about units, she would have them read the papers again.

All the reading and hard work has really paid off for the girls. With positive attitude, working as a unit and a great sense of teamwork and cooperation, the Girls' Soccer Team went a long way this season.



Nice Ball! Katie Shearer carries the ball through the New Berlin defense to score.

Playing rough, Jamie Maerz runs to a ball just passed to her.



Front: J. Maerz, S. Grant, K. Hoag, K. Shearer, K. Maerz. Middle: G. Joslin, T. DeLaurentiis, C. Cleary, R. Joy, R. Harrington, K. Leonard, K. Webster, J. Schindler. Back: J. Lawton, N. Musser, K. Martin, A. Matteson, J. Joy, R. Myers, R. Schindler, J. Coyle, Coach Payne.

Another Great Year

Girls' Soccer

by Jennie Coyle

Nineteen girls in grades nine through twelve made up this year's team. With only three new players since last year, the girls were very excited and confident going into the season. Everyone was experienced and ready to start what turned out to be a great season.

Games started at the end of August and went through to the beginning of November. The girls started each game with positive attitudes and determination to win. The lessons on units paid off.

The team made it to the Section D semi-finals. Making it this far was a great honor for the girls since no other Morris team has made it this far in recent years past. Fourth

year player Kate Martin said, "I thought that we played extremely well, and hopefully, next year we will do even better and go all the way."

The girls hosted two sectional games and traveled to Groton to play in the semi-finals. Mrs. Payne said, "The girls played extremely well, but we just didn't get the ball in the net."

Not only sectional honors came to this team. Six of our girls were named to all-star teams. First team members were Katie Shearer, Jamie Maerz, and Stephanie Grant. Second team nominees were Kim Hoag, Jessica Joy, and Jessica Schindler.

The girls finished another great year in a great way.

Scoreboard

Morris	Opponent	Morris	Opponent
2	Edmeston	0	
0	Edmeston	2	
1	B/G	0	
6	New Berlin	2	
2	Franklin	1	
2	GMU	1	
2	Unatego	1	
1	SNB	2	
0	Franklin	2	
3	Unatego	0	
1	SNB	1	
2	Laurens	0	
1	B/G	1	
1	CV/SP	0	
1	Margaretville	0	
0	Groton	1	



"The only way to win is to work as a unit."
Coach Payne



Kim Hoag decides to take a rest after a goal on our side. Some games Kim didn't see much action. She had 107 saves in the season.

Great Defense! Brian Leonard runs after the other team to get the ball in hopes for a goal for Morris.

One Year to Prepare for Another

by Jennie Coyle

In addition to the varsity soccer teams, this year the athletic department decided to add a modified soccer program for both boys and girls in grades 7 through 9. "Modified soccer gives us a lot of learning experience because many people don't know how to play," seventh grader Chris Coyle said.

The athletic department decided late last school year that they were going to start this program so it was difficult to find schools willing to schedule games. Usually the game schedules would already be set up. Luckily, they were able to schedule five games for each team.

By creating this program they hoped to teach the players individual skills and give them playing time before they move on to varsity.

Many questions were asked when everyone first heard about modified

soccer. Such as "Why do we have modified soccer?" and "What will it do for the kids?" The athletic director, Mr. Race replied, "Modified soccer was added to provide a training program for boys and girls who think they might want to play soccer in high school. It gives students the chance to learn individual skills and team strategies involved in playing the game of soccer. This helps develop players for the varsity team and some students learn that they don't want to play in the future."

The few games that they did play were meant only for fun and the experience in playing time. No stats or scores were kept. "It was a learning experience for the boys and for myself," Coach Davie said. When asked if she thought modified soccer was a good idea Coach Payne replied, "Yes. You want the kids to learn skills and theory appropriate for their ages."



Modified Soccer



Working together to steal the ball from the new Berlin girl, Joanne Phillips and Melissa Hopper work hard.



"You want the kids to learn individual skills and theory appropriate for their ages."

Coach Payne.



Wow, look at her go! Deanna Tracy does a sudden turn during a home modified soccer game.

Modified Girls' Soccer
Front: D. Tracy, J. Walling, L. Hoag, L. DeMorier, L. Dunbam, M. Lum, C. Joslin, R. Hoag, T. Newell.
Back: W. Hoag, C. Neer, J. Phillips, M. Hopper, S. Sullivan, J. Kellum, S. Moore, R. Rock, Coach Payne.



Modified Boys' Soccer
Front: M. Tedesco, D. Tracy, R. Harrington, D. Moore, J. Wilcox, B. Kellum. Middle: Y. Barton, M. Lehtonen, B. Leonard, B. Asquith, J. Polise, J. Simpson, Shawn Wilcox. Back: Coach Davie, R. Elliott, J. Harris, C. Coyle, A. Coyle, D. Harris, N. Bogert, C. MacLeman, J. Sterling.



"It was a learning experience for the boys and for myself."

Coach Davie.



Such determination! The boys modified team watches from the bench in hopes for a defeat for the opposing team.

The Mustang team has the last pre-game chat with the coaches.

A New Way of Coaching

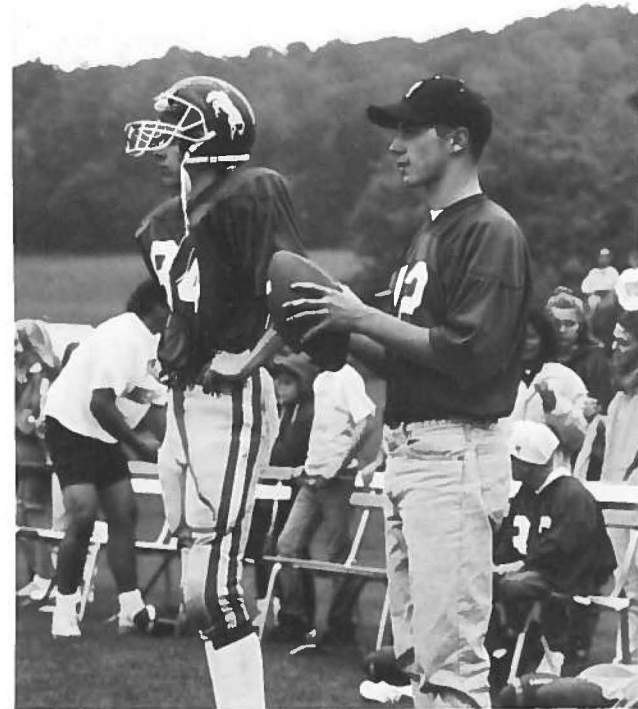
by Jamie Maerz

This year, in late August, the Morris boys' football team met together for the first time to meet two men who would gradually change the boys' whole football attitudes. Those men were the coaches Mr. Hunsinger and assistant coach Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Wilcox, also known as Dooley by his former football players, is an alumnus football player here at MCS. When asked what made him decide to coach he replied, "I wanted to become involved and I knew that I had a lot of input to share with the guys." Someone with that much enthusiasm can bring the team far. But with two coaches like that, it is even better.

When the team was asked how they liked the new coaches and program, they all agreed it was very good. Briggin Palmer added, "He knew what he was doing, and his new program was excellent. We didn't have as many opportunities for going over the fundamentals, but next year I think we'll be more aware of what's going on." Rob McCann added, "The program was different from last year because it displayed more of a hands-on responsibility. I like the coaches a lot and I feel that we have a lot of potential."

Anyone who went to the games this year must have realized the improvement from game to game. The guys on the field surely felt it.



Kevin Hopper waits to go into the game, as Randy Pope, who was injured in pre-season, watches the game closely.

Quarterback Jon Hillis takes a run against Edmeston's defense.



Front: C. Bradfield, M. Riordan, B. Palmer, J. Hillis, M. Sullivan, S. Goodspeed. Middle: R. Pope, C. Morlock, T. Wilson, B. Sites, J. Hoag, R. Robinson, R. McCann. Back: Coach Wilcox, B. Mudge, C. Cleary, E. Brown, K. Hopper, L. Bassett, S. Tracy, M. Amatuccio, Coach Hunsinger.

Football

by Katie Shearer

The Morris football team won one out of five with their new head coach Mr. Hunsinger, but they sent four people to the Tri-Valley All-Star team.

On the First-Team offense was Briggin Palmer. On the Second-Team defensive were Brig and Robert McCann. The Second-Team offensive was Jon Hillis and Edward Brown.

Travis Wilson was third in the Tri-Valley league rushing lists. Travis had ninety-one carries for 346 yards. He also had three touchdowns and averaged 3.8 yards per run. Briggin Palmer, Jon Hillis and Robert McCann combined for 376 yards and three touchdowns.

Jon Hillis, one of the players the football team will be losing to graduation, was the

starting quarterback. Hillis was fifth in the Tri-Valley league. Jon Hillis had eleven completions, thirty-five attempts and was only intercepted four times. Hillis threw for 128 yards and three touchdowns.

Briggin Palmer and Travis Wilson were leading receivers for the football team. Palmer had seventy-seven yards, two touchdowns and averaged 15.4 yards per carry.

Briggin Palmer, a junior on the football team, led his team in scoring. Palmer had three touchdowns and three completions. The Morris football team also had six other players on the scoring list besides Palmer.

Charles Bradfield, a junior on the team concluded, "The season went a lot better than last year and we really played pretty good for having a new coach."



Scoreboard

Opponent	Morris
24 S. New Berlin	16
34 New Berlin	18
24 Edmeston	18
35 Sherburne-Earlville	12
16 Faith Christian	40



"I wanted to become involved and I knew that I had a lot of input to share with the guys."
Coach Wilcox



Stretching and warming up are important in any sport. Football, too.

"I hope he's all right," says Amanda Lum to Stacie Smith about a hurt player on the field.

Way to Go!

by Jamie Maerz

This year the cheerleading squad was smaller than in the past years, but that didn't stop the girls from cheering their hearts out. Such a small squad can have advantages as well as disadvantages. Amanda Lum, a junior says, "It's easy because you can learn things easier and you can teach the other members faster. It's hard because you don't have a lot of voices and we have small mouths."

One thing noticed about MCS cheerleaders is their great enthusiasm and their pride. They look over the disadvantages and keep their chins high. Anyone who went to a Morris

football game must have noticed the cheerleaders at least once. Seeing them out on the field showing their spirit is one reason why no one has ever given up on winning.

They take so much under their wings, trying to make everything perfect. Making sure every little poster is in place, every single cheer is perfect, and every thing was perfect for Homecoming. That's why it was such a hard task for such a small squad. The advisor Mrs. Matteson said, "I've had smaller squads, but all in all we did rather well."

Even with a small squad the cheerleaders showed great spirit and enthusiasm.



Football Cheerleading



Jessica Eldred and Jennifer Cabill watch the game, hoping for a touchdown.

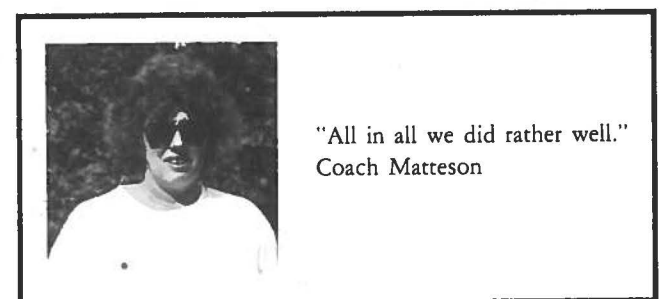


Jessica Sue Althiser, Andrew Joy, and Kayla Smith along with others await instructions at the clinic the cheerleaders sponsored.

Homecoming King and Queen Travis Wilson and Katy Johnston pose for a picture after being crowned.



Front: J. Cabill, S. Smith, W. Tooley. Back: A. Lum, K. Johnston, J. Eldred, S. Fraser.



"All in all we did rather well."
Coach Matteson



The football team and cheerleaders smile for the camera before the truck carrying them in the Homecoming Parade leaves.

Coach Race pumps up the team before the game with a pep talk.

Up for three, John Ross, takes a shot to boost up the score as Charles Bradfield looks on.



"Here ya go," Ryan Koster throws the ball into the game. This is Ryan's first year of starting in Varsity.

Captains, Jesse Matteson and Nathan Elliott, go over the rules with the opposing team Captain and the refs.



Front: C. Bradfield, C. Bradfield, J. Hillis, R. McCann, B. Palmer. Back: Coach Race, R. Koster, D. Gregory, N. Elliott, J. Matteson, K. Hopper.

One Team, Two Managers

by Jennifer Coyle

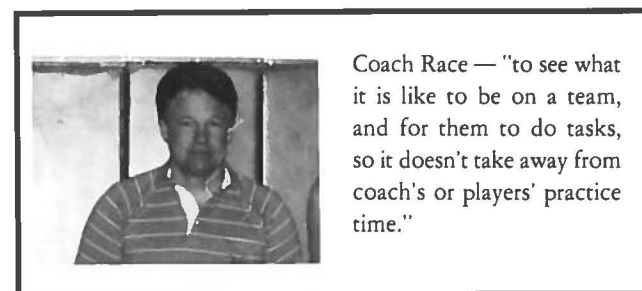
Being a manager for the boys varsity basketball team can be a lot more work than what people see at the games. Some people think that managers just hang around with the varsity players but really their job is much more than that. When asked what his job as manager was Danny Tracy said, "We fill water bottles, fold warm-ups, hand out and put away basketballs, but most of all I take their abuse." When asked why he committed to the job of manager Darrell Moore answered, "It's a lot of fun and it gives me something to do." The boys say that their job is easy but

they do have to work, they don't just sit around.

The managers are greatly appreciated by the players. Managers save the players a lot of time by doing some of the work for them. When asked why he had managers for his team Coach Race answered, "to see what it is like to be on a team, and for them to do tasks, so it doesn't take away from the coaches or players practice time." The managers are very helpful to the team. Senior Ryan Koster says, "The managers help the players concentrate on the game instead of having to worry about the little things like the water being filled."



Breaking free, Robert McCann, works his way through Franklin defense to retrieve a pass by one of his teammates.



Coach Race — "to see what it is like to be on a team, and for them to do tasks, so it doesn't take away from coach's or players' practice time."



Senior, Ryan Koster, sets up a pic for point guard Briggin Palmer as he prepares a pass to another Mustang.

Deep thought and preparation. The varsity team ready themselves for the game against Schenevus.

"Here I come." Captain Kim Hoag sprints up the court to get into defensive position.



First year shooting guard, Jessica Joy goes up for a two point shot.

Bringing it down, Katie Shearer, who was out one game in mid-season due to an operation, gets back into the game.



Front: K. Johnston, K. Hoag, S. Grant. Row 2: J. Maerz, J. Schaffer, K. Leonard, R. Harrington. Back: S. Dunham, A. Matteson, K. Shearer, K. Martin, J. Joy, Coach Nichols.

Girls Varsity B-ball Not One But Two New Faces

by Katie Shearer

The Girls' Basketball teams of Morris have hired two new coaches. For the Varsity Girls, we have Maria Nichols of South Kortright. Ms. Nichols has high school and college basketball experience. Mike Tracy, who has been hired for Modified Girls' B-ball, is a veteran coach as well.

Mr. Tracy, when asked how he liked coaching at Morris, said, "I'm having a lot of fun; my girls work hard and are a good bunch." Coach Nichols said, "I enjoy it here. The girls have a good work ethic and are all good players."

Mr. Tracy, before coaching the Modified Team, has had plenty of experience. In Morris, Mr. Tracy coached our fifth

and sixth grade basketball for two years. Following that, he did the seventh and eighth grade teams for three years. He has coached at many summer camps, as well.

Ms. Nichols has coached at Cortland and at South Kortright. She comes in as a new coach at Morris with many new ideas and strategies for getting her team ready to play. "I worked a lot on working as a team to reach a goal." Playing many little games not having to do with basketball got the team in shape and made them learn they needed each other to win.

Mr. Tracy centered on defense because "if you stop the opponent from scoring, you'll win the game." He also worked on the basic skills.



Senior Katy Johnston dribbles the ball down to do a layup for two more points.



"It's mine." Stephanie Dunham and Abby Matteson work together to bring down the rebound.

Chris Cleary makes a sharp cut to break away from his defense player to try to receive the ball.

Coach Tracy tells the modified team the final game plans. The girls enjoyed paying in Schenevus' new gym.



Playing good defense, Robin Rock denies the ball from a GMU player.

Modified Girls:
 Front: L. Hoag, L. Dunham, J. Phillips, S. Moore, C. Neer, R. Hoag.
 Back: R. Schindler, R. Rock, C. Webster, J. Kellum, J. Johnson, M. Hopper, J. Phillips, Coach Tracy.



JV Boys' Basketball:
 Front: M. Riordan, S. Goodspeed. Row 2: C. Worden, M. Harben, C. Cleary, G. Grant, J. Parker. Back: B. Sites, J. Koster, J. Sullivan, B. Cotter, M. Seifert, Coach Davie. Missing: K. Meredith.

B-ball: Modified and JV To Play or Not To Play

One Way or Another

by Jennifer Coyle

There are more students getting involved in athletics than ever before. Coaches have a difficult time trying to determine how many people they want to be on the team. Many coaches don't like to cut players from the team at the junior varsity and modified levels, so they keep all the players and end up with a big team. The problem with this is in basketball only five people can play on a court at one time. This leaves many players still on the bench, waiting to be put into the game.

When most players were asked why they joined a team if they thought that they weren't going to play they answered, "It's fun to practice and get the experience so in later years I'll play

more." The people who start, do need substitutes. And making the decision about when to sub is tricky. "The way that I work substitutes into the game is first I look at foul trouble, then tiredness, and last poor play or a combination of all three," said Coach Davie.

Sitting the bench is also a bit tiring. First year player Janet Kellum replies, "I don't mind not playing that much because there are girls who are better than I am."

Each player gets some time to play; it's just some more than others. Few players really have had any complaints about not playing. They enjoy being on the team. As Coach Tracy says, "They are learning and they are having fun."



Playing point guard, Larissa Dunham controls the game with her dribbling.



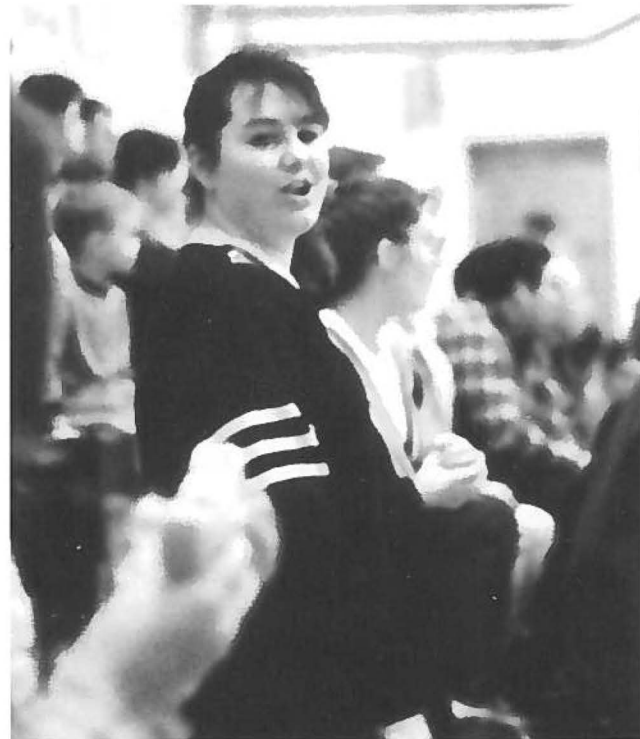
Coach Davie, Brady Cotter, and the JV team, set for action.



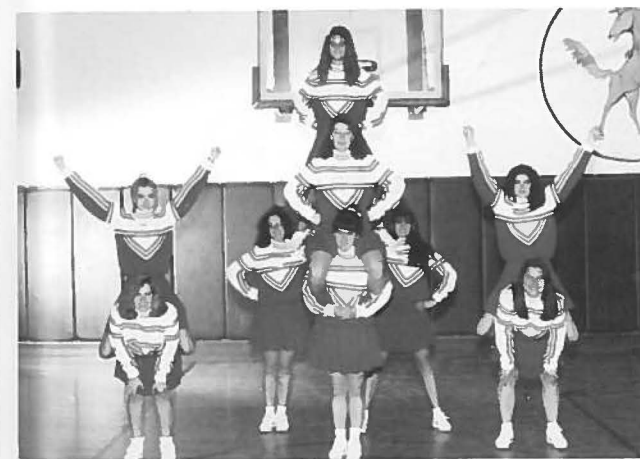
Joe Koster plays excellent defense against the Franklin Purple Devils.

After Karen Maerz sang the national anthem, the cheerleaders march to sing the *Alma Mater*.

Doing their line ups, Tonya Newell, Jessica Eldred, Erika Moore, and Caryn Cleary, just before the games start.



First year cheerleader Caryn Cleary starts up her squad's spirit. Junior Varsity H. Gray, E. Moore, C. Cleary, T. Newell, S. Frasier.



Varsity Top: J. Eldred. Middle: J. Kopp, A. Lum, J. Coyle, Z. Cahill, A. Pierce. Bottom: B. Joy, K. Webster, K. Maerz.

Ones Who Support

by Karen Maerz

As the Morris boys' teams get prepared for their game the crowds and cheerleaders are gathering to support the teams.

From start to finish the cheerleaders are at all the games to cheer on the Mustangs, whether rain or shine, or snow. A good portion of the spectators are at the games on a regular basis to root for the team.

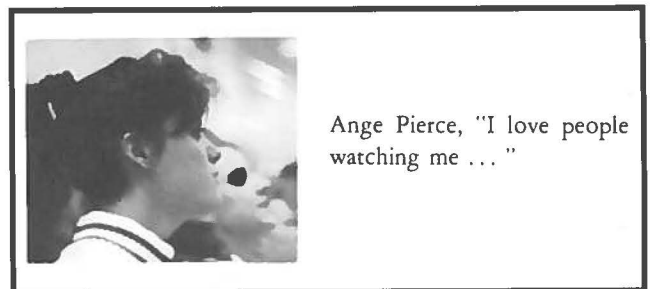
Many students in Morris are not very athletic yet they still enjoy watching the games and cheering on their friends. Being a spectator is their own way of getting involved. "Sometimes watching the games can be as fulfilling as playing the games," stated Jeremy Eldred in between quarters at a Varsity boys basketball game.

Although cheerleading looks like it is all fun and games, the girls put a lot of effort into cheerleading. With the help of advisor Pat Matteson the squad has worked together to improve their cheers and mounts they perform, at games. Many of the Mustangs' cheerleader's lifts are very hard and can be unsafe without the right control. One wrong move and a girl could fall and become seriously injured. "Cheerleading is a learning experience, and I love people watching me," Ange Pierce chanted out.

Support to teams is very important, when they are down and behind in a game, the crowds and cheerleaders are there to show their spirit and boost up the teams energy and spirit.



"H-E-double L-O," Zoe Cahill, Becky Joy, Karen Webster, Amanda Lum, and Jenna Coyle cheer their way over to say hello to the visiting cheerleaders.



Ange Pierce, "I love people watching me ..."



The mighty varsity cheerleaders congratulate the players.

Away to the Slopes

Ski Club



Ski Club, 1994

by Jamie Maerz

The Ski Club joined forces this year with GMU Central School. The approximately thirty students and their advisors, Mr. & Mrs. Gould, spent six Saturdays on Labrador Mountain.

All the fun began in early January, and throughout the weeks of icy roads and freezing temperatures, the Ski Club still enjoyed the time on the slopes. Depending on the conditions, skiers could have enough time to ski a lot, eat a little, warm up some, and have fun.

Katy Johnston, long time veteran of Ski Club, wasn't thrilled at the beginning of season. No one was really sure how pairing up with GMU would be. The bus ride alone

would be "very squishy," thought Katy. But in the end, it was OK. Rob McCann said, "I think it went great. We were all in a big pack. The more people, the more fun."

Belonging to Ski Club is pretty easy. It takes no ability, but it does require a willingness to pay the price, both physically and financially. Mr. & Mrs. Gould volunteer their time, but lift tickets and transportation this year cost \$95 plus the cost of skis if you need to rent them.

According to Jamie Maerz, the skier who is most gungho is Rob McCann. "But Charles Bradfield is awesome. He falls everywhere." Kevin Hopper hit a pole, everyone hit a lot of jumps, and fun was had by all.



Theresa Delaentiis performs the Heimlich and stated, "I was pleased when we would be learning life saving skills because statistics show I will need to know this some time in my life."



Observing is also a great way of learning. Seth Birdsall, Jessica Schindler, and Becky Meyers show off this skill.



Mrs. Payne helps Mike understand CPR with a small child. Mike explained, "It is important to the class so when a situation faces you, you are prepared to perform to the best of your ability."



Even adults take CPR at Morris. Mr. Ritzman, Mr. Hoag, Mr. Finneran and Mr. Wilcox go over some techniques.

Mr. Kodrich helps Scott Goodspeed and Mr. Wilcox learn the best way to use CPR on an infant. Everyone, including Scott and Mr. Wilcox passed the test.

Seth Birdsall, Jessica Schindler, and Becky Myers observe Matt Seifert as he surveys the accident scene, step one in a rescue situation.



by Rayanne Harrington

Within the course of gym classes, CPR is taken by some class every year. This year it was the tenth grade.

During December 9-14, Mr. Fred Lemister came to school on gym days and taught CPR. This life-saving technique is a "helpful skill to know," states Matt Lum.

The Phys. Ed. department would like to have every class take CPR once so every student is certified. Seth Birdsall pointed out that taking the class "can save your loved ones or a friend's life."

When Mr. Lemister came he had the students practice over and over again so they would master the skill. He pointed out that 9 out of every 10 people are in a situation where CPR is needed, but only one in ten knows how to do it. He wants those who took the class to encourage others to take it. He said, "It's as easy as blowing up a balloon and pushing on the floor."

So the hope now is to have everyone take this class. It looks as if it would be a huge benefit to everyone.

Future cheerleaders for Morris Central gather in the gym to learn cheers from the Morris Football Cheerleading squad.

Showing off their moves, Jeremy Eldred and Brian Leonard dance the night away at a school dance.



Taking a test in Mrs. Harrington's English class, Kristian Owens and Carl Morlock ponder the questions.



Mr. Warren Ryther, the principal during the years of the 50's through the 70's.



Chatting away, Mr. Brillinger talks with Bill Burdick, an emergency squad member and substitute bus driver, pending the football game.



Out of town visitors, Edmeston students Angie Tasior and Jeremy Robinson, watch the Morris homecoming game with Jesse Matteson and Jamie Maerz.

O ne Community, One Family

by Karen Maerz

As in any small town across the United States, Morris Central School seems to be the heart of Morris, NY. If things happen at the school, the community knows and they try to get involved.

One thing that really affected some members of the community is the trees being cut down out back. They were removed earlier this year to make room

for the new addition. The trees all over the school property were planted from 1957 on up to the present. They were planted after the first addition was finished in 1956.

Each year on Arbor Day the students would go out to the spot that was chosen and a tree would be planted. As it was planted, it was dedicated to someone involved with the school. A few people were Mr. Ray Clement, former athletic director; Mrs. Milli-

ken, second grade teacher for many years; Mrs. George, former first grade teacher and a resident of New Lisbon; Mr. Ryther, long-time principal; and Mrs. Colvin, who for many years was in charge of the Arbor Day festivities.

Some elementary students would read during the ceremony poems and stories that they wrote. It really was an elementary school project, but everyone got involved. Mr. Ryther would announce the dedication. "Planting a tree for your tomorrow," still rings through alumnus' John Matteson's head.

The community also gets involved other ways like CSO and Booster Club. The area businesses and the auxiliaries and fire department are there when they are called upon by the school and its members for things like donations and CPR tests. The students and staff at Morris are very grateful for the help of the community. Without them, the school would not go on.

This is the contracting team at the ground breaking ceremony. The general contractors are from Sidney. Look for theirs and others' ads in this community section.



Many alumni members return to watch sporting and other events at the school. The Sullivan and Meyer families show up to cheer the football team on.

The school photographer, Jack Cole of Up-Country Photo, relaxes after a day of running around and photographing children and teachers.

Other Helpful Groups

Booster Club/CSO

The Booster Club is three years old this year, and they have made such a difference in the life of the school. They have helped various sports' teams and the music program since they were organized.

The Homecoming festivities have improved since they decided to take an active role. Under the direction of former president Mike Tracy, they started a very successful three on three tournament and an equally successful spring raffle. With that money, they have financed warm-up suits for soccer teams, colorguard hats, scoreboard for outdoor events, and dinners for athletes and their parents, among other things.

The members of the Booster

Club include Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Coyle, Mrs. McCann, Mrs. Johnston, Mr. Tracy, Mr. Hoag, Mrs. Matteson, Mrs. Purdy, and the children of those people.

Booster Club has regular meetings, posted on the school activity calendar. Come join in this exceptional bunch of school-spirited people.

The CSO (Community School Organization) is the second group featured on this page. They are involved more with enhancing the educational aspects of the school.

In the past they have sponsored a School-a-Rama, helped finance the After Prom Party, presented a concert starring Skip West, and organized two Santa's Workshops. They are very in-

strumental in annual events such as PARP and Open House.

The step program will also be sponsored by the CSO. This is a parent support program, facilitated by Ms. Miller and Ellie Pepper.

Mrs. Perrotti, a member of CSO, said, "CSO gives the members a feeling of involvement and being close to the school." Other members of the CSO include Mrs. Galley, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Polimeni, Mrs. Harben, Mrs. Polise, and Mrs. Postighone.

The CSO membership is also always looking for new people. Their meetings are also clearly posted. Come join for a chance to help the programs at school.



Hanging out on the steps, Booster Club members Mr. Coyle, Mr. McCann, Mrs. Coyle, and Mrs. McCann supervise the Homecoming Dance.

Chaperones Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox and Mr. and Mrs. Matteson wait for the 11:00 last dance. Mr. Wilcox is Booster Club president.



One choice among the options at the Workshop was gingerbread house decorating. Here Shakira Parvi, Victoria Harben, and Jeremy Skinner have fun adding some candy decorations.



Mr. Coyle and his son Andrew borrowed gas grills for the hotdogs during football season.



The Booster Club sponsored a very successful pizza and salad dinner for the athletes and their parents. Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. McCann, and Mrs. Wilcox dish it up.



Mrs. Foote Returns! Former librarian Mrs. Foote was asked to share Christmas stories at the workshop.



Mrs. Dugan and her son Nick enjoy making decorations at the CSO Santa's Workshop.

The Booster Club ran football game concessions under the green tent.



Mr. Davie

Peanut Butter Captain Crunch. I like peanut butter and something sweet in the morning.



Janet Wells

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John Patrick Myers

Raisin Bran. Before I eat it, I put sugar on it and with sugar added to the raisins, it tastes good to me.

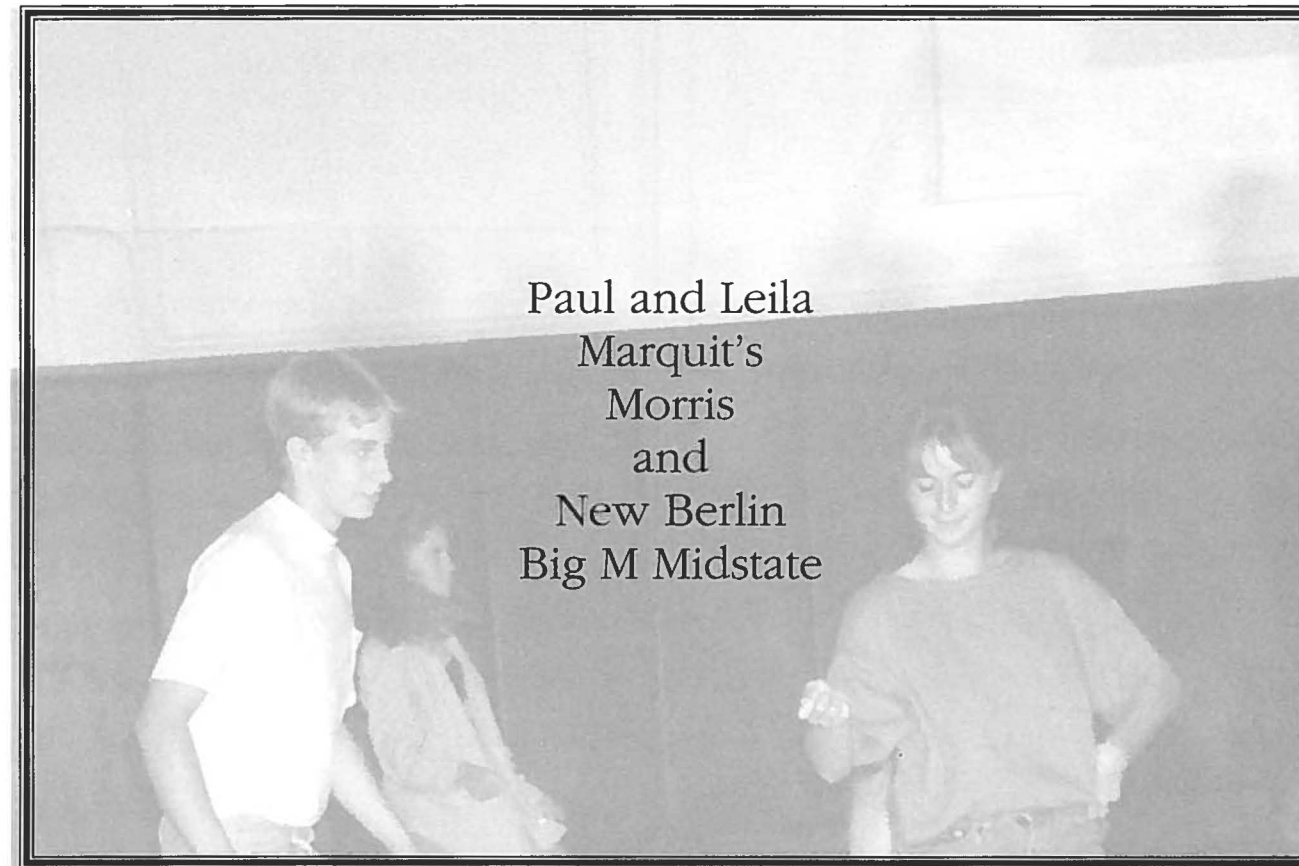
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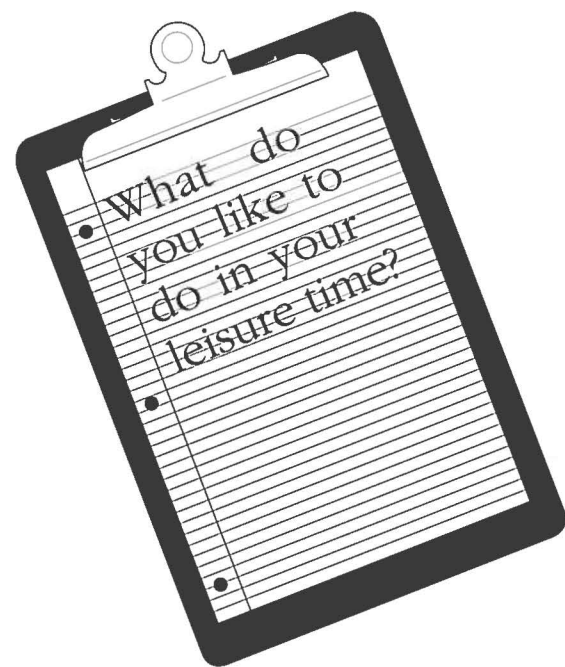
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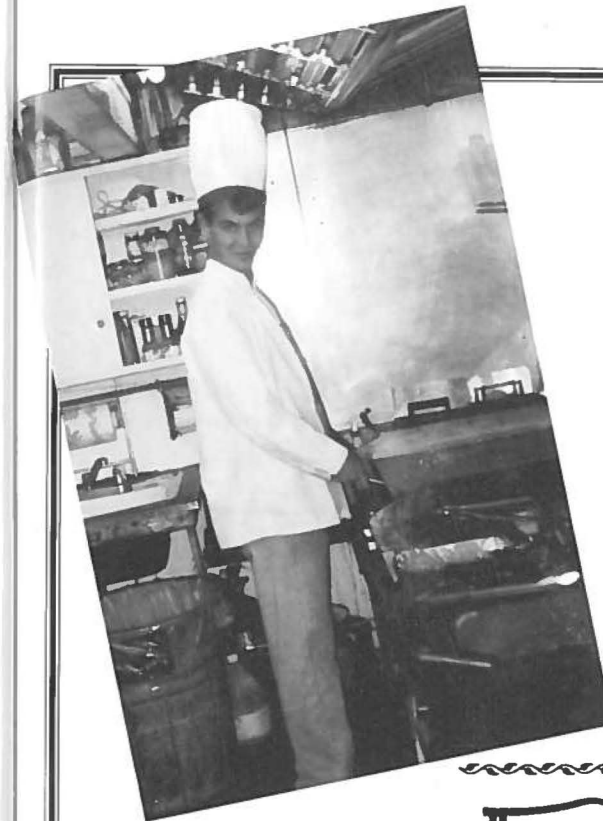
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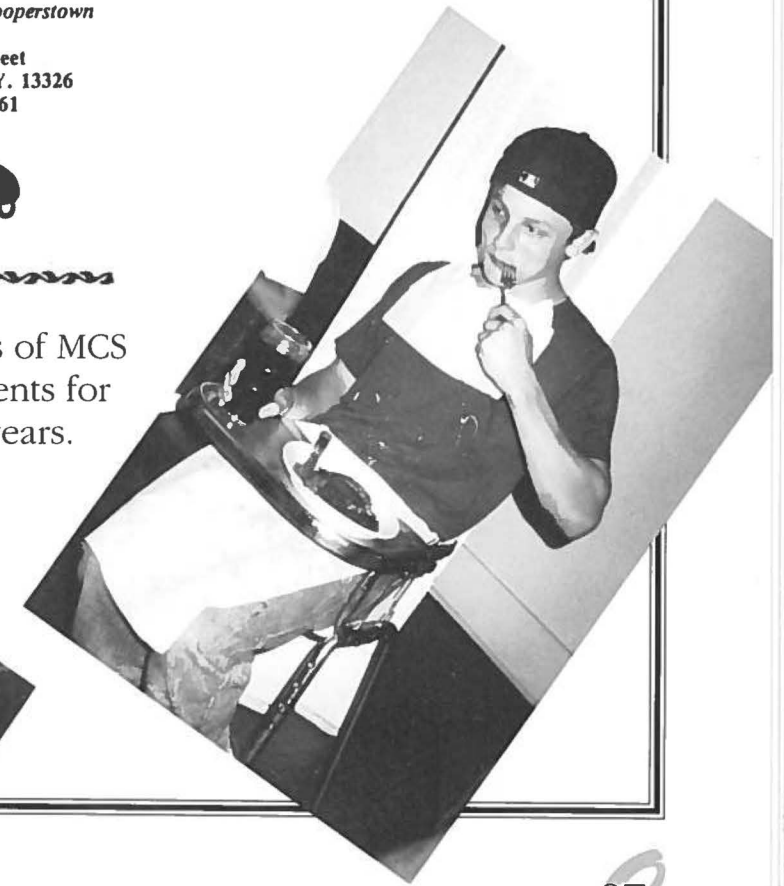
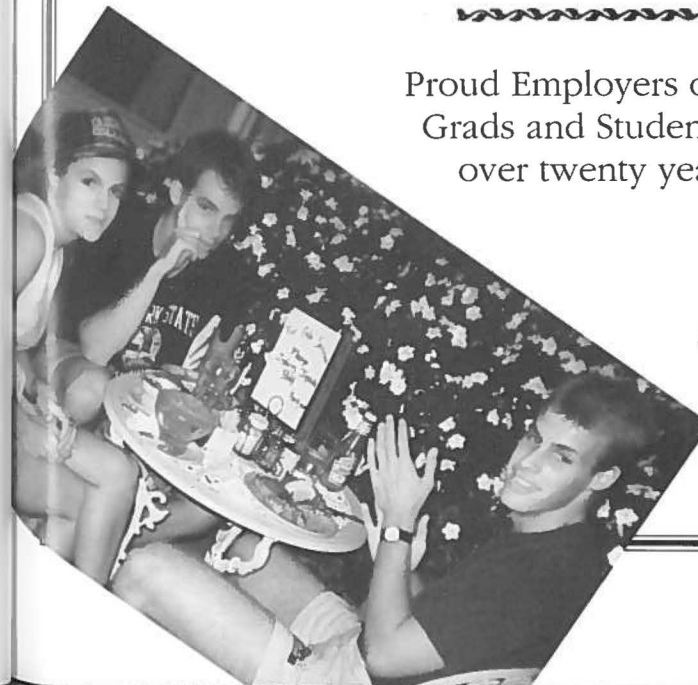


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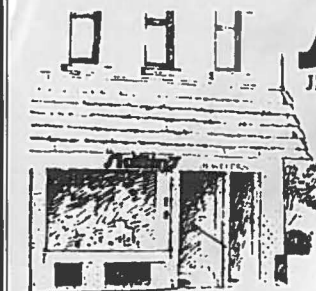


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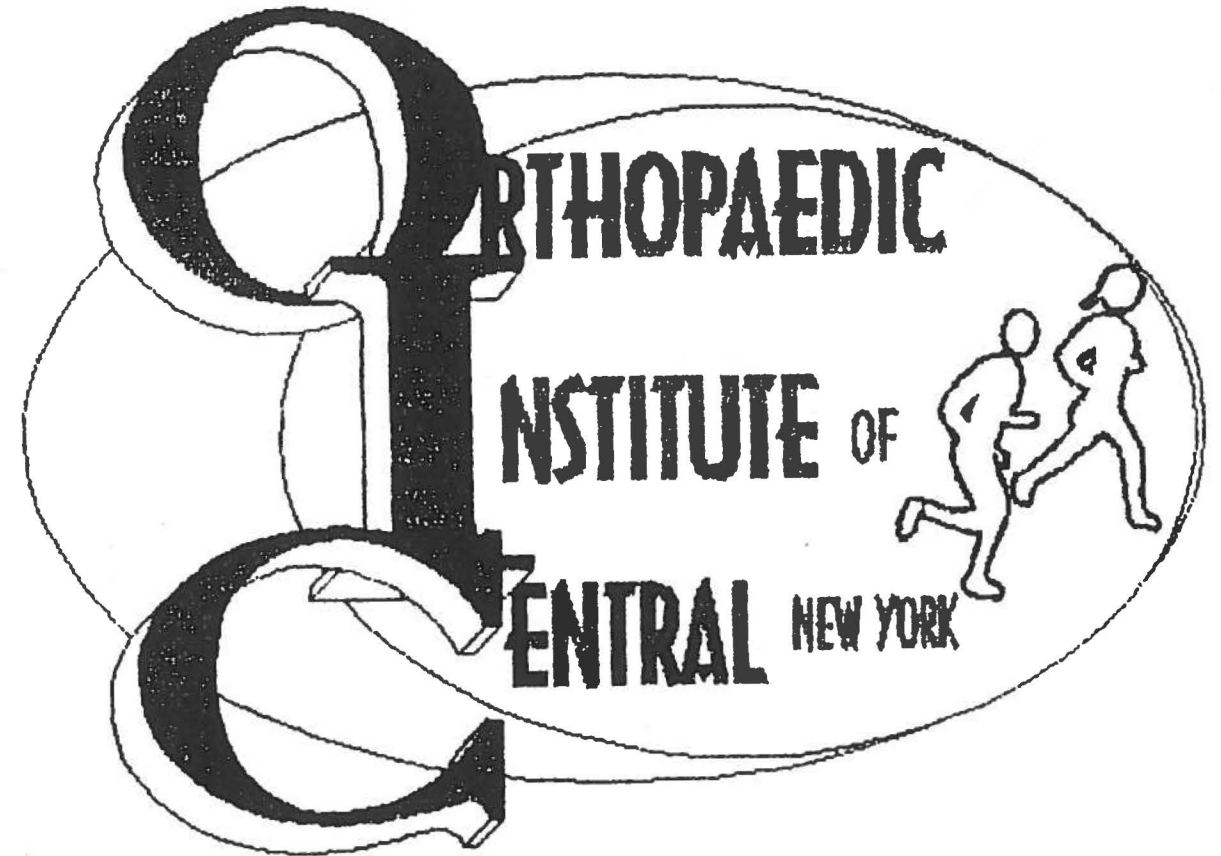


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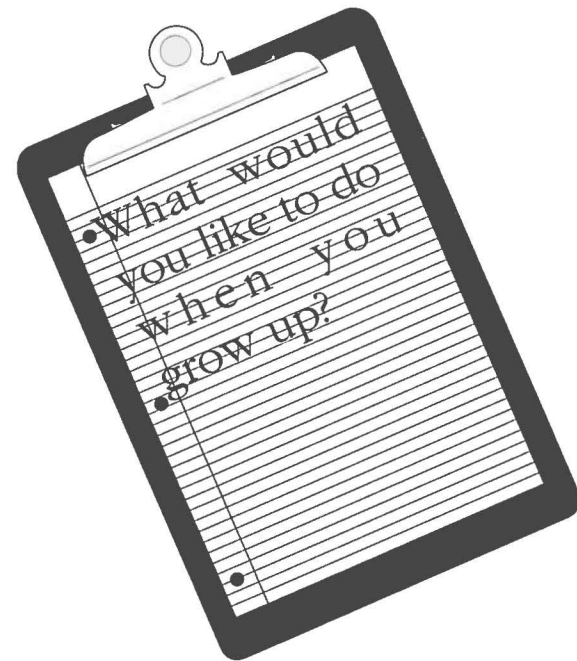
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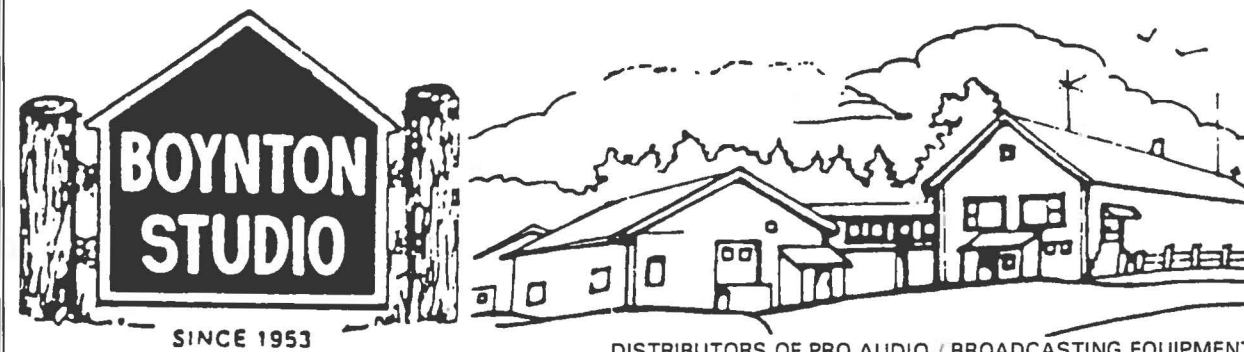
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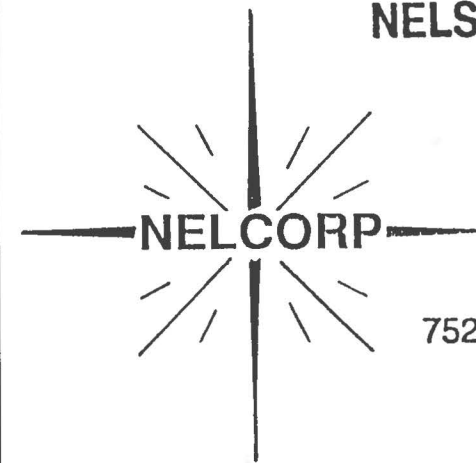
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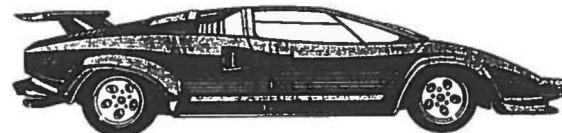
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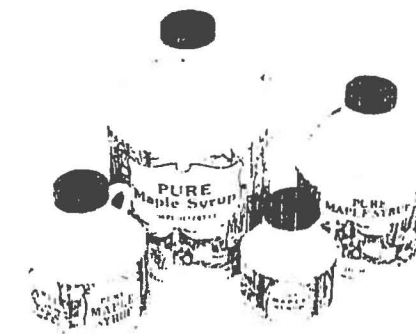
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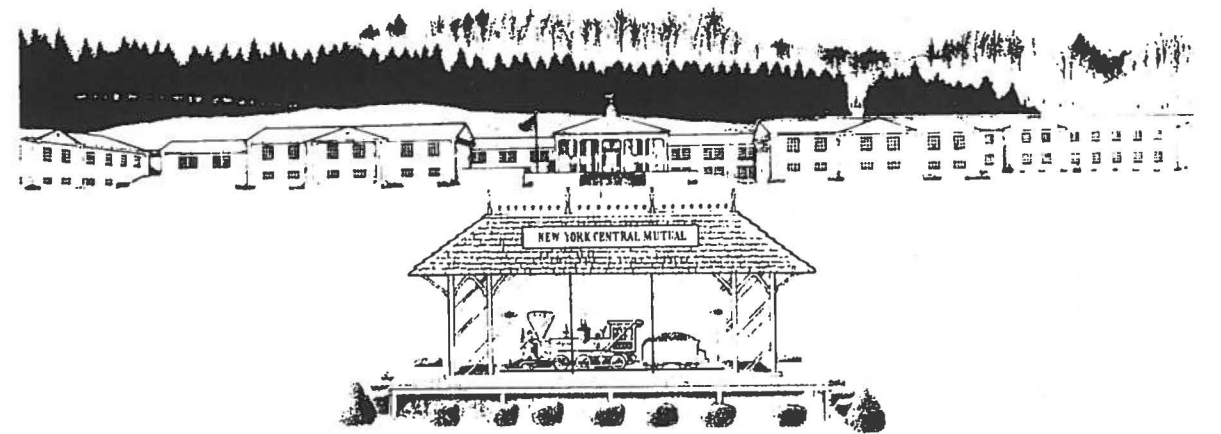
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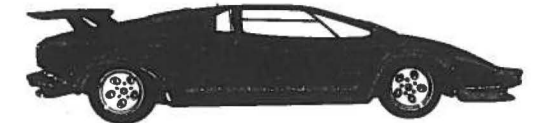


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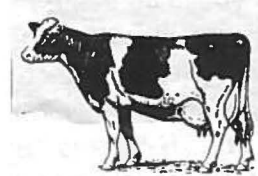
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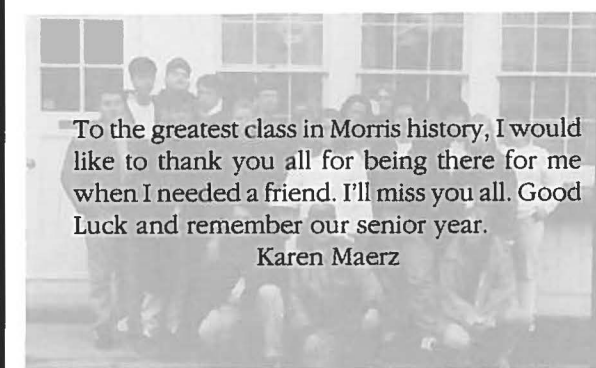
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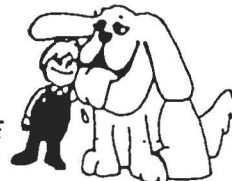
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Good Job, Journalism!
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Katy, Congratulations! I'm really going to miss you.
 Love, Kissy

Best wishes to the Class of '94!
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I'll forever remember my favorite chemistry class. Miss you!! Mrs. Robbins

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 Love, Ed.

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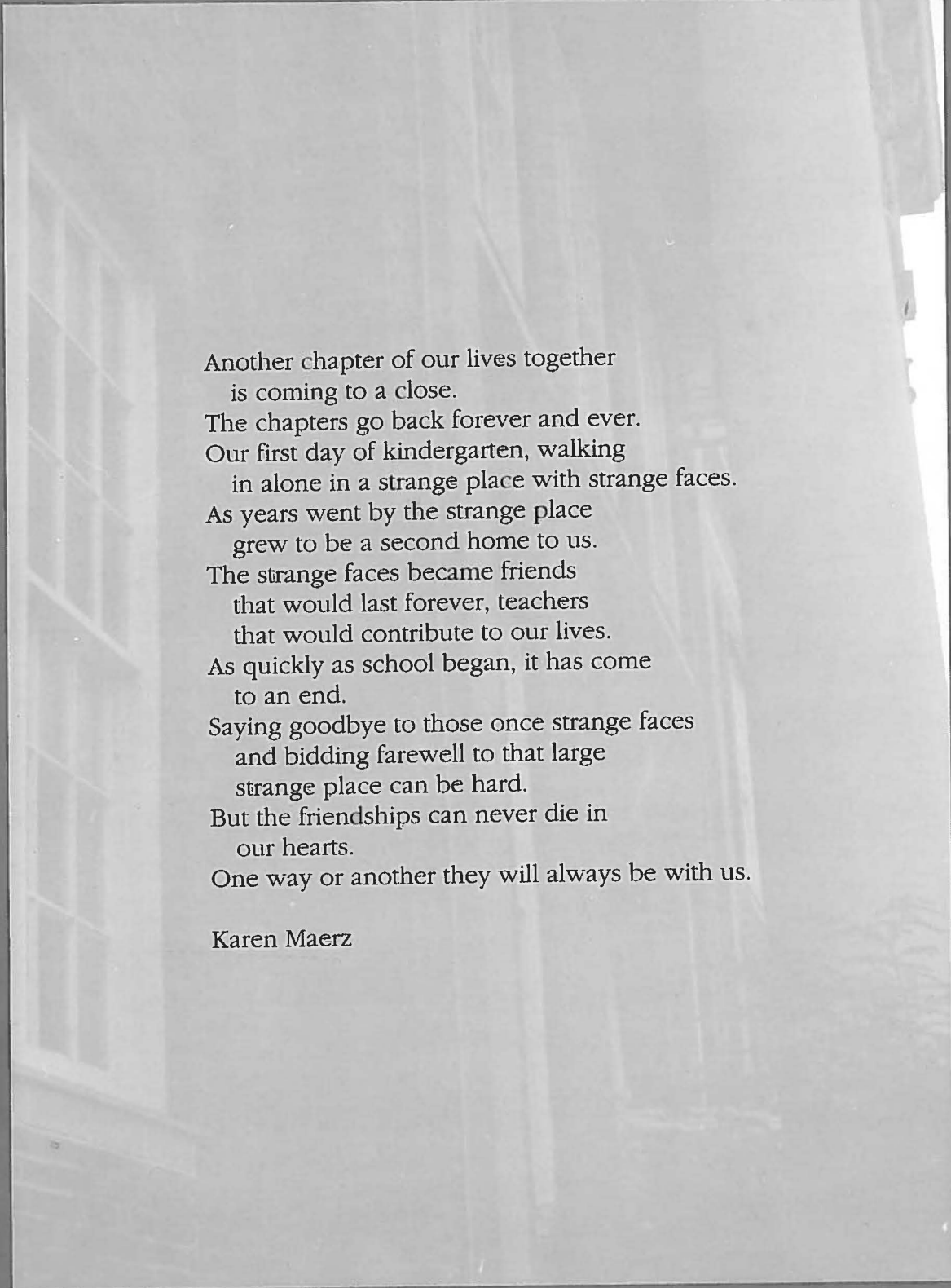
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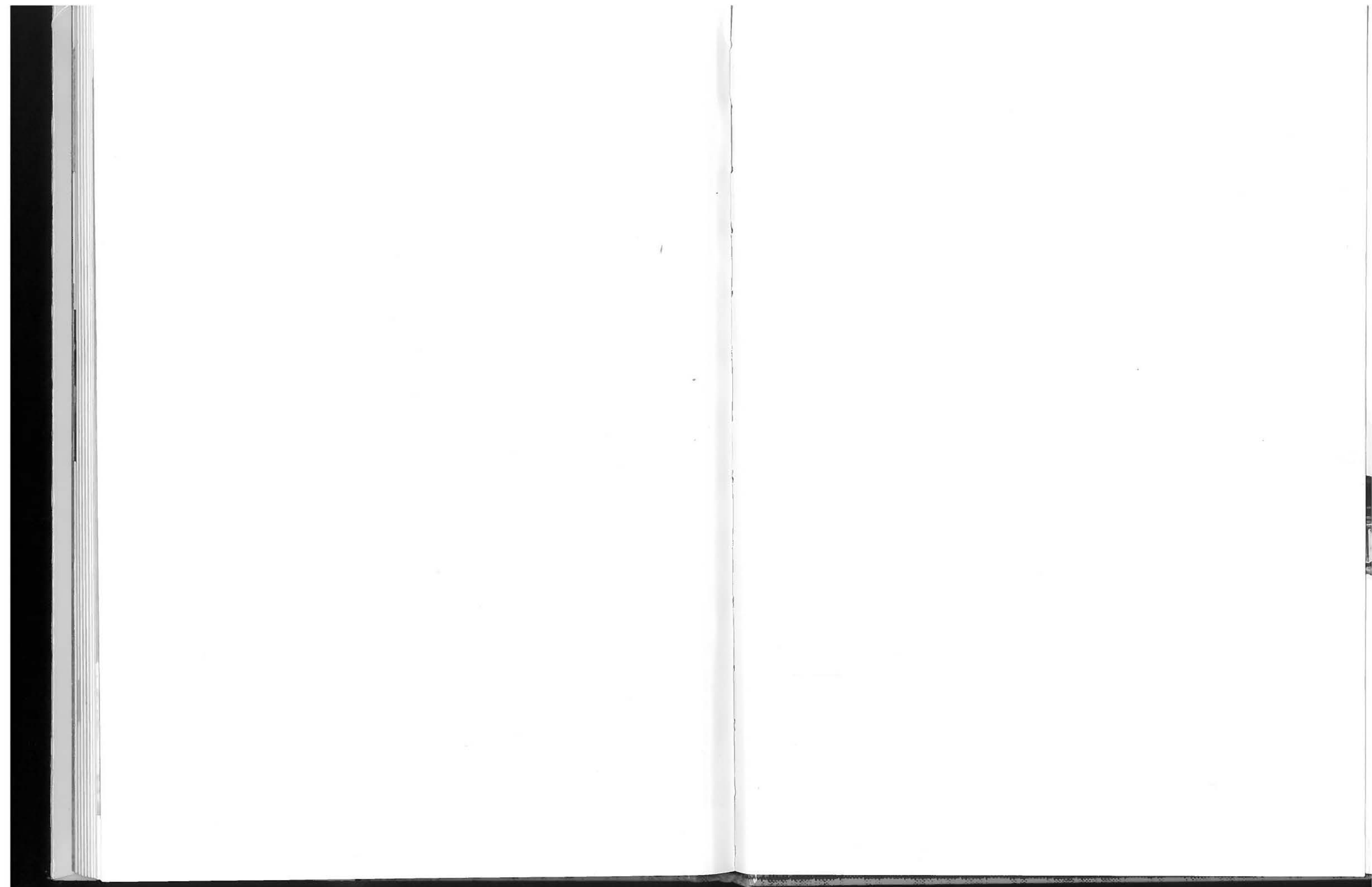
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Another chapter of our lives together
is coming to a close.
The chapters go back forever and ever.
Our first day of kindergarten, walking
in alone in a strange place with strange faces.
As years went by the strange place
grew to be a second home to us.
The strange faces became friends
that would last forever, teachers
that would contribute to our lives.
As quickly as school began, it has come
to an end.
Saying goodbye to those once strange faces
and bidding farewell to that large
strange place can be hard.
But the friendships can never die in
our hearts.
One way or another they will always be with us.

Karen Maerz



C nstruction

Phase Three

Mr. Dugan and Mr. Coyle knock out the balcony classroom. Mr. Ritzman moved into Ms. LaBash's old room. The balcony was not cleared for use by the end of the year, but band practice became interesting for the upstairs classes!



On a cold day in February, the concrete was poured in the new addition. The steel was heated up from underneath to help the concrete set. Once the concrete was in place, the sheet rock and plumbing was put into place.

Early in the winter, the interior steel was put into place. The room divisions can be seen in this picture, center right. Once the floor was on, the elementary wing classrooms had to adjust to the difference in light in their rooms. (photo courtesy of J. Stevens)

The shot at the right is the hallway for the new addition. The ceiling is a good architectural plus. By vacation, the floor had been poured and ground down, and the sheet rock was all in place. It really looked like school rooms, and many students left for the summer speculating if they would have classes there in the fall. The old lockers in the hallways were torn out during regents week. Noise, pens, and money were everywhere. By the first week in July, the library renovation was underway. Things could happen quickly once the building was empty.





Jumping high, Katie Shearer jumps in the center to hopefully get first shot at a basket.



photo by Dave Miller

The three captains, Stephanie Grant, Kimberly Hoag, and Katy Johnston, hold the banner up to the crowd after winning the Tri-Valley Championship.

"I'm gonna' beat you." Rayanne Harrington tries to dribble by one of the GMU defenders.



All The Way

Girls' Varsity Basketball

by Katie Shearer

The Morris Girls' Basketball Team posted one of their best seasons in four years. At 16-4 overall and 13-1 in league, the team was placed first in the Tri-Valley East League.

The girls and Coach Nichols reached the Tri-Valley Championship and the first round of sectionals. At the championship game Morris came up against Edmeston. Morris won the game with a twenty-four point spread. Unfortunately, in the sectionals the Morris team lost to the Davenport team.

Also at the Tri-Valley championship game the All-stars were announced. From Morris, Katie Shearer and Kimberly Hoag received first team honors. Stephanie Grant was named to the second team. *Daily Star* All-Stars were Katie Shearer first team and Abby Matteson, Kimberly Hoag, and Stephanie Grant, Honorable Mention.

The Morris team was led by a variety of people in their scoring, rebounding, steals, and assists.

Katie Shearer led the team in scoring, averaging 12.5 points per game, 8.1 rebounds, 4.2 steals, and 3.9 assists. Kimberly Hoag averaged 10.2 points, 3.4 steals and 2.2 assists. Katy Johnston was averaged 6.2 rebounds per game, while Stephanie Grant had 1.7 steals and 1.5 assists. Abby Matteson, one of the two freshmen on the team, aver-

aged 10.1 points, 5.4 rebounds and 1.7 steals per game.

Kimberly Hoag, a senior point guard, was third on the area three-point scoring list. Kimberly had twenty three-pointers, which was a team high.

The Morris team is returning three starters and a strong bench to support them. The team for next year hopes to have a season as good as this year's. But the Mustang Ladies will greatly miss the three seniors leaving: Katy Johnston, Kimberly Hoag, and Stephanie Dunham.

Girls' Basketball Scoreboard

Opponents	Morris
18 SK *	58
56 Gilboa *	52
41 GMU	58
24 Schenevus	36
10 Worcester	66
19 Franklin	47
50 Milford	59
54 @Middleburgh	63
43 @Windham	37
57 SNB	58
21 New Berlin	42
28 Laurens	80
56 GMU - 2OT	58
53 Edmeston	59
45 CV-S	47
66 South New Berlin	51
35 New Berlin	55
30 Franklin	53
32 Tri-Valley Championship-Edmeston	56
38 #Davenport	34

* Ray Clement
@ Schenevus Tournament
Sectionals

Pavin' the Way

Boys' Varsity Basketball

by Kimberly Hoag

The Boys' Varsity Basketball Team had a league record of 11-3 and an overall record of 14-3. The team consisted of four seniors, seven juniors, and a freshman, Joseph Koster, who was moved up to varsity for the last few games.

The top scorer was Jesse Matteson with 408 points, averaging 19.4 points a game. He also lead the team with 30 three-pointers for the season. Nathan Elliott lead the team with the most blocks and offensive and defensive rebounds. Briggin Palmer was the point guard for the Mustangs who had the most steals for the season.

This season the Mustangs had four all-star members. On first team were seniors, Jesse Matteson and Nathan Elliott. On second team was Briggin Palmer and Ryan Koster.

The boys made it all the way to the quarter-finals against Lansing who was seeded number one. They all played a hard aggressive game until the very last quarter. The final score at the end of the game was 67-60.

Sportsmanship Award recipient for Boys' Varsity B-ball, Jon Hillis moves the ball toward the basket, dribbling past the Devils defenders.

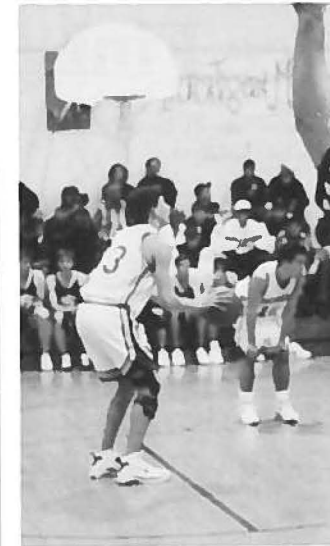
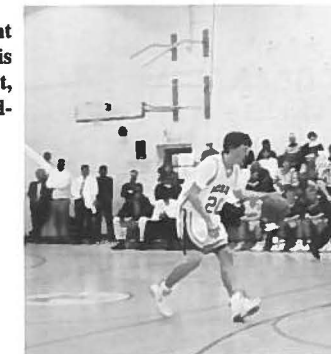
Boys' Varsity B-ball Scoreboard

Morris	Opponent	Morris
58	GMU	52
69	Schenevus	46
46	Unatego	53
60	Worcester	51
81	Franklin	26
63	Milford	51
57	Laurens *	48
45	South Kortright *	58
66	SNB	43
65	New Berlin	63
74	Laurens (OT)	78
68	GMU	60
39	Edmeston	40
63	CV/SP	46
70	SE	55
82	SNB	32
51	New Berlin	53
81	Franklin	31
39	Davenport	47
65	# Laurens	55
60	# Lansing	67

* Ray Clement Tourney
Sectionals

Nathan Elliott takes his foul shot as Kevin Hopper and Jesse Matteson try to get the rebound and put it back up for two more points.

The Mustang Cheerleaders decorated the boys' lockers for the day before the New Berlin game. Jon Hillis is pleased with the efforts of the Cheerleaders.



Jesse Matteson, the lead scorer for the Mustangs, concentrates on his foul shot at a home game.



Up for a right-handed lay up, Ryan Koster adds two more points against the Franklin Devils.

First Place Finish: A Tie for MCS

JV Boys Basketball

by Jennifer Kopp

The Junior-Varsity Boys had a great basketball season this year. In the end they were, out of eighteen games, 12-6 overall and 11-3 in the league. They ended up tied for first place in the league.

This season the top scorers were Brady Cotter and Joe Koster. The top rebounder was Brady Cotter. The top with assists was Kevin Meredith. The team's average was forty-seven points per game while their opponent's averaged thirty-nine points per game.

Chris Cleary summed up the season saying, "It was a good experience for next year. It's laid the building blocks for our varsity team." "It was nice not to lose," remarked Scott Goodspeed remembering years past. Coach Davie exclaimed the reason for doing so well was "because we're awesome."



A bit slow in the Defense. Bill Sites has time to make a face while Matt Seifert waits for the ball to come down. Bill left in the middle of the season, leaving a team that had to adjust.

Team! The JV Squad gets ready to take the floor.



Point Guard Kevin Meredith waits for the whistle to throw the ball in to Geoff Grant. Brady Cotter gets ready to shoot for two at Mt. Upton's gym.

The JV Boys begin warm-ups at the start of the second quarter.

JV Boys' Scoreboard

Morris	Opponent	Score
39	SK	43
34	Jefferson	16
46	GMU	47
81	Schenevus	14
39	Unatego	44
55	Worcester	40
40	Franklin	26
28	Milford	33
68	SNB	34
46	CV-SP	38
43	New Berlin	36
54	Laurens	47
57	GMU	51
47	Edmeston	34
36	SE	54
53	SNB	36
42	New Berlin	59
51	Franklin	50

One and One. The Mustangs set themselves upon the lines for Kevin's rebound.



A Way to Begin

Seventh, Eighth, and Modified Basketball

Seventh Grade: Front: T. Warley, M. Curasi, B. Asquith, W. Kellum, L. Ewing, D. Moore. Middle: M. Foote, S. Wilcox, A. Rogers, C. Coyle, D. Tracy, J. Eberling, B. Leonard. Back: Coach Jacobsen.

Eighth Grade: Front: J. Wilcox, R. Harrington, H. Barton, J. Sterling, J. Loucks, C. MacLeman, M. Tedesco. Back: Y. Barton, A. Coyle, J. Moskos, C. Douglas, J. Harris, R. Elliott, Coach Jacobsen.

Modified Girls' Scoreboard

Morris	Opponent	Score
29	GMU	12
26	Schenevus	23
40	Worcester	21
18	Franklin	32
38	Milford	48
32	SNB	24
15	New Berlin	19
28	Laurens (OT)	27
31	GMU	15
39	SNB	28
29	CV-SP	16
21	New Berlin	37
27	Franklin	32

The Modified Girls, coached by Mr. Tracy, finished the season with a successful 9-5 record. The team was short on experiences but tall on desire. Leading the Mod. team was Rebecca Schindler with 191 points, and average of 13.6 points per game. Seventh graders Missy Hopper and Jessica Walling provided a strong supporting cast. The whole emphasis of Mod. Ball is to improve skills and learn the game. These girls certainly did that.



modified photos: John Stevens



Seventh and Eighth Grade Basketball

by Rayanne Harrington

Basketball for 7&8 is a learning experience. It gives the players a chance to learn responsibility, fundamentals and team work.

Mr. Jacobsen, former Varsity Boys' coach, has been coaching 7&8 grade basketball for the last two years. He said, "These last two years of coaching have been the most enjoyable of all my coaching years." He allows everyone to play each game, feeling this will build self-esteem and potential in each player. Each player gets equal time on the court and has a chance to play with different team members to understand team work better.

The 7&8 grade program enhances the J.V. program. As Darrell Moore stated, "It helps to establish skills." Many boys enjoy the chance to take part in this program and look forward to it every year.

Jessica Johnson battles two GMU defenders to keep the ball for the Modified team.

First string Jessica Walling makes an aggressive move down the court.

Lead scorer Rebecca Schindler heading forward for two points.



Another Year on the Slopes

Travis Wilson shows off his skiing abilities by going over a jump.

Landing in a shower of snow, Katie Martin skids to a stop.



Jamie Maerz rests after a long day of skiing at Labrador.



Mike Sullivan-air borne!

Puttin' On The Ritz: Winterguard

by Kate MacLeman

Top hats, canes, dresses, white spats and tuxedos are some of the many things needed for a night on the town. In the midst of the rifles and sabres soaring high in the air and the banners making a beautiful array of color, the Mystical Illusions Winterguard is portraying a date in a ritzy restaurant. As the show starts out the wine steward, Tyler Adair, serves the couple. The man, Kate MacLeman, escorts Nicole Musser to the restaurant while the waitress, Kim Whitehead, takes their order.

At the end of the show, the audience watches the couple leave together. Tyler Adair escorts Kate MacLeman, now portraying a lady, back to the restaurant so they can share one last dance before the night is

Stephanie Waffle and Mathia Cahill smile and wait patiently behind their props for the music to begin.



Blisters are a common occurrence. Mrs. Sorrentino wraps Nikki's thumb so she can twirl her sabre.

over.

The guard consists of fourteen members that occupy the floor using equipment. There are five prop people this year that help move all the equipment on and off the floor.

The Winterguard season is longer than some might think. Before school even starts the season is already one month in action. The last show is at the Sherburne Pageant of Bands in June. The guard has one month rest and then starts up again in August.

"The season went well even though the girls had to keep changing the drill to make it better. Receiving second place at Championships really proved to everyone that all the yelling, tears, and practice were worth it," said Instructor Donna Sorrentino.

The season was full of hard work, fun and excitement. "All our hard work has definitely paid off!" said Kim Whitehead, a second year sabre. The guard took first place at the following shows: Groton, BGA, Laurens, and Sidney. They placed second at Herkimer, Edmeston, and at State Championships at North Syracuse.

At the 7-11 Awards Night the sabre section was awarded the Hardest Working Section. Tonya Newell was honored with the Most Improved Award for the rifles while Lacey DeMorier received it for the sabres.

1994 Mystical Illusions: Front: L. DeMorier, M. Cahill, K. Whitehead, S. Waffle, N. Musser. Middle: T. Newell, K. MacLeman, E. Moore. Back: L. DeMorier, H. Gray, K. Finneran, J. Eldred, J. Cahill, R. Douglas, R. Myers, R. Wells. Missing: C. MacLeman, T. Adair, B. Joy.



A first year guard member, Jessica Eldred winks at the crowd while she throws her banner high in the air.



Tap dancing seems a long way from colorguard, but it's not. Kate MacLeman, Erika Moore, and Tonya Newell tap for twenty-four beats during the routine.

Watching from the sidelines, Abby Matteson, Heather Purdy, Jessica, Johnson, and Missy Hopper enjoy the Winterball at the Parish House.



The Boys! Briggan Palmer, Jarrett Rockwell, Kevin Hopper, Charles Bradfield, and Rob McCann sing "Josie" in the spotlight at the dance the Class of '95 sponsored.

The Class of 1995...having a Ball.

Royalty at the Sweetheart Dance, Ryan Koster and Katy Johnston, Runners-up, and Jen Kopp and Jesse Matteson: 1994 Sweetheart and Mr. Irresistible.



Seniors at the Sweetheart Dance. The seniors involved in winter sports were honored at the Sweetheart Dance. Karen Maerz, a cheerleader, holds a candle, a change from her usual microphone. Karen sang the National Anthem at many home games.



Dance the Night Away

Special Dances for MCS Students

by Jennie Coyle

Throughout the school year many dances are held to raise money for a number of different groups. Two dances that were held this winter were the Semi-Formal Winterball and the Sweetheart Dance.

The Winterball is for grades 7-12, sponsored by the Junior Class. This year the Winterball was held on January 22, at the Parish Hall. All the proceeds went to the Class of 1995. The class hired Rock 107 as the DJ. While the thought of a semi-formal scared some people away, there still was a good turn out and a lot of fun.

The Sweetheart Dance is an annual dance held by the Cheerleaders. This year it was held on February 12, in the gym. Every year the cheerleaders crown the Sweetheart and Mr. Irresistible at this dance. In order to be crowned one must be a senior, play a winter sport, and be elected. This year Sweetheart was Jennifer Kopp and Mr. Irresistible was Jesse Matteson. The first runners up were Katy Johnston and Ryan Koster. "Being crowned Sweetheart was totally unexpected, but wonderful," said Jennifer Kopp.

One Activity or Another

One Hundred Red Balloons on the 100th day of school. James Luckhurst holds on to see if he will float into the air. He didn't, but the balloons surely did.



The Second graders wear crowns on the 100th day. Each crown was decorated with 100 stars. All day was a special day.



Elementary Activities

by Karen Maerz

The winter and spring were busy for the elementary students and teachers. Two exciting things happened in February and March.

On February 17, the Morning Program celebrated the 100th day of school. Each class did something special to celebrate. First graders memorized a poem. Miss Wilson's pre-first made trail mix with 100 pieces of everything in it. Second graders made crowns with 100 stars on them. The biggest hit was the 100 red balloons carried into the gym by the first grade teachers. It was a special day.

At the Read-e-o, Mrs. Perotti shovels the grub for the elementary students. Ms. Brandow and her young readers read quietly during PARP/DEAR alert. Returning for his second year, Skip West and many Morris children sing and dance together during his concert.



All during March, the days were packed full of activities for PARP. The theme for PARP this year was "Corral a Good Book. Join the Read-e-o."

Returning for another year was Skip West and the DEAR alarms. Also returning was the read aloud, this year using a ranch type theme, which was held in the gym with people from the area who read to the kids in grades K-6.

A new thing this year was TV Turn off Week. During this week, parents and children were encouraged to turn off the TV and to use the time to do something as a family.

There were also many dress-up days: flannel shirt day, dress western day, and



dress as your favorite book character.

The halls were covered with western type things. There were cactus, horses, and wagons. Each class also

made a paper quilt. The squares of the quilt depicted each child's favorite book.

PARP and Morning Program-still two ways that teachers and students enjoy their days at MCS.

Luann

The Spring Musical

Cast of Characters

Luann.....Katy Johnston
 Bernice.....Karen Webster
 Delta.....Jennifer Cahill
 Brad.....Mike Sullivan
 Darlene.....Jessica Schindler
 Tiffany.....Jessica Eldred
 Miss Phelps.....Teresa DeLaurentiis
 Mr.Fogarty.....Kevin Meredith
 Miss Allison.....Stephanie Grant
 Gunther.....Justin Parker
 Aaron Hill.....Justin Adair
 Students.....Jamie Maerz
 Brady Cotter
 Amanda Lum
 Andrea Alger
 Emily Simpson
 Off-Stage Voices.....Jason Sullivan
 Danielle Phillips
 Karen Maerz
 Pit Band.....Rayanne Harrington, Jesse Matteson, Katie Martin, Austen Asquith, Mr.Ernst, Mrs. Colison, Christian Bradfield
 Set Crew.....Rayanne Harrington, Abby Matteson, Karen Maerz, Mark Riordan, Keona Crawford, Danielle Phillips, Melissa Lum.
 Lights.....Abby Matteson
 Keona Crawford
 Mark Riordan
 Directors.....Mrs.Collison:
 Musical Director
 Miss Steverson:
 Drama Director

"Cuz, you're my sister, Stupid." Mike Sullivan and Katy Johnston played a sibling duo who fought through half the play.



"I just have to make cheerleader! I want to be popular." Jessica Schindler, Emily Simpson, Jamie Maerz, and Jessica Eldred wait impatiently for the cheerleading tryouts results.



"Yours sincerely, Horace C. Fogarty, MA," says Kevin Meredith who played a stressed-out teacher who wrote a book that never got him anywhere.



Warming up for dress rehearsal, Rayanne Harrington, Mr. Ernst, and Austen Asquith practice to make the pit band perfect.

All County Senior Band and Chorus: R. Harrington, K. Webster. Middle: J. Cahill, J. Maerz, S. Grant, K. Leonard, A. Asquith, N. Elliott. Back: D. Phillips, A. Alger.



Area All-State: A. Lum, K. Webster. Middle: K. Leonard, S. Grant. Back: A. Asquith, N. Elliott.



Summer Leadership and Government Group: K. Webster and S. Grant, RYLA. R. Harrington, J. Rockwell, and B. Palmer, Girls and Boys State Representatives.



NYSSMA: Front: R. Harrington, J. Cahill, B. Asquith, C. Bradfield, J. Sanders, W. Hoag, T. DeLaurentiis. Row 2: M. Cahill, B. Palmer, C. Joslin, S. Waffle, K. Webster, J. Schindler. Row 3: A. Alger, R. Perkins, K. Martin, J. Maerz, S. Grant, K. Leonard. Back: D. Phillips, A. Lum, K. Owens, R. Myers, R. Douglas, B. Cotter, J. Phillips.



FHA Works for the Community

The FHA group of seventh and eighth graders were a eager bunch who continued to work on projects after their Home and Career classes ended. They worked on such projects as helping the emergency squad by making bandages and by sponsoring a dance to help a worthy cause. Some members of the group traveled to Saratoga for the FHA State

Leadership meeting. Mrs. Russell is the advisor of the FHA.

FHA Members: L. Ewing, L. Hoag, R. Rock, S. Waffle, K. Owens, J. Phillips, Mrs. Russell, J. Moskos, C. Coyle.



Junior All-County Band and Chorus: Front: C. Neer, W. Hoag, D. Tracy, K. Crawford. Middle: K. Owens, C. Joslin, R. Harrington, S. Waffle, C. MacLeman. Back: B. Cotter, M. Cahill, R. Myers.

Six year veteran of OM, Kate MacLeman double checks the membership sign before the competition begins.

OM and Brain Game



At the regional competition, the team sets up the props and gets the cars ready. When the judges say, "You may begin," the team moves into the competition area. Chris waits for the signal.

This car is supposed to flip over after traveling three feet. The flip car had been the neatest to watch.

1993-1994 OM Team: Kate MacLeman, Ryan Elliott, Chris Paesano, Christopher MacLeman, Stephanie Waffle, and Kristy Finneran.



Creative Cars

by Kate MacLeman

The Odyssey of the Mind team placed third on February 26, at the Division III competition at SUCO, Oneonta. The team consisted

of six members from grades eight through eleven and two coaches, Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Chris MacLeman. MTV Mini-Terrain Vehicles was the problem that the team had to solve. The main idea

was to build three or more vehicles that could pass through eight obstacles. The cars were built by Ryan Elliott and Chris MacLeman. "It was a real challenge trying to solve the problem both me-

chanically and creatively," said Chris MacLeman.

The team scored points for creativity and engineering of the cars. Style points counted as a part of their total score. The team

chose props, costumes, and designed their cars to reflect a trip around the world, stopping in such countries as Russia, Italy, and Great Britain. Points were also given for a spontaneous problem. This year's question was "Name things that once they are broken they are good." An example of a creative response is World's Record at an Olympic Games.

It was a lot of team effort. It was a lot of fun. It took hours and hours of time after school painting cardboard and running little cars up and down the hallway. And all of the members agreed, one way or another, the team got through it with a lot of hardwork.



In no particular order, the following members make up the Junior High Brain Game teams: S. Kolvik, J. Sanders, B. Kellum, M. Curasi, M. Foote, D. Gibson, R. Harrington, M. Lehtonen, J. Moskos, A. Coyle, C. MacLeman, and R. Elliott.

Honor Society Spring Inductions

National Honor Society inductees, Katie Martin, Teresa De-Laurentiis, and Emily Simpson.



The Junior High Honor Society Inductees: Front: S. Kolvik, L. DeMorer, C. Joslin, J. Sanders. Middle: B. Leonard, H. Barton, M. Curasi, M. Foote, B. Asquith. Back: N. Bogert, D. Gibson.



The Seventh Grade Team members, M. Curasi, D. Gibson, M. Foote, and J. Sanders, consult with the team captain before giving an answer in the bonus round.

Junior High Brain Game

This year the JHBG Teams competed in two competitions. One was held in January right at the school. It was an academic challenge that was done using a computer disk and phoning the scores to Iowa. The eighth grade team didn't do so well, but the seventh grade team was tenth in New York State, 10 out of 57.

Then the annual Academic Challenge was held at Greene Middle School in April. The eighth grade again met with stiff competition, but the seventh grade held their own for two contests. Mrs. Gibson accompanied the teams to the competition and Mrs. Harrington held after school practices to prepare. It's a great way to spend the bleak winter afternoons.

The Lady Mustang Softball Team had a two win season, but their attitudes were winning all the way. The bench was a warm and friendly place even on the coldest days...and there were a lot of cold days.

And below, center, Jess Lawton, Katy Johnston, Jamie Maerz, and Katie Martin look psyched. Katie had surgery part way through the season and remained on the injured reserve list 'til the end.



"And how is the pre-cal coming these days, Katy?" asked first year coach Ms. Nichols. Calming down the pitcher was one of the jobs Coach Nichols was especially good at.

Second Team All-Star and Most Improved Player Jessica Eldred is prepared to hit. Jessica batted with a .405 average for the season and stole 7 bases after she got her hits. She also played short stop and became what Coach called, a "softball vacuum cleaner."

Third base coaching is hard work. If the girls remember the signs, they don't always follow them. Coach Nichols still smiles.

Jennifer Coyle throws it in from left field. She made quite a few catches in that part of field.



Softball Spirit

Catcher Kimberly Hoag suits up for her next turn behind the plate. Named to the First Team All Stars for the Tri-Valley, Kimberly will be missed next year.



Sophomore Stoop! Jody Schaffer is ready for action at the first base position. She is poised, but so is the Sherburne-Earlville runner behind her. Jody broke her finger during the season and had to cheer from the bench.



Softball Team: Front: J. Lawton, J. Coyle, J. Schaffer, C. Cleary, J. Maerz, R. Harrington, J. Kopp, T. DeLaurentiis. Back: R. Joy, A. Lum, A. Matteson, K. Johnston, K. Martin, J. Eldred, S. Dunham. Missing: Coach Nichols, K. Hoag.

Caryn Cleary, reaching third, always gave the team some thrills when she got on base. She was caught in a pickle play twice in one trip around the bases! She likes to live dangerously.

When Coach Nichols took over for her first year of coaching softball at MCS, she knew she had some building to do. She also coaches basketball, but she said, "They ought to put those basketballs away in March." At the end of the season, she said, "This team just got better and better."

People joked with her by asking if the team would win ONE game. She always replied, "Two." And that's exactly what they did. It was a cold season in the beginning, but by the end the girls had two wins to their credit.

All four seniors were named to the Exceptional Senior Game: Stephanie Dunham, Kimberly Hoag, Katy Johnston, and Jennifer Kopp. Eleven of the team members were also named as Scholar Athletes. The Most Improved Player was Jessica Eldred, and the Most Valuable Player was Kim Hoag. All Stars include Kimberly Hoag, Jess Eldred and Stephanie Dunham.

Even though the team had a losing season, 2-13 overall record, Coach Nichols said, "This team of sixteen individuals are the farthest thing from losers." Some statistics to note are Abby Matteson's homerun; Kimberly's and Stephanie's eleven RBI's, and Katy Johnston's mainstay as pitcher, with 15 strikeouts.

Finally, the team says good-bye to Katie Martin. She will be missed by this softball team and all of MCS.

Scoreboard		
Morris	Opponent	
19	BG	24
4	NB	4
5	GMU	36
11	SNB	10
2	Schenevus	31
7	Schenevus	15
7	Franklin	19
3	GMU	21
4	SE	4
14	NB	16
11	SNB	13
15	Franklin	22
21	Laurens	13
0	Afton	21
2	Afton	20

The '94 team huddles together before a home game to discuss some plays and get some spirit.

Steven Tracy, second team all star, strikes out another batter.

Junior Briggin Palmer, returning for another season, swings in a warm-up stance to prepare to meet the ball.



Charles Bradfield and Kevin Hopper wait in the outfield for the line drive. And to the right, Charles lands safe at third in an offensive move.

Left-fielder Bill Mudge snatches up the ball and throws it to first to get the player out.

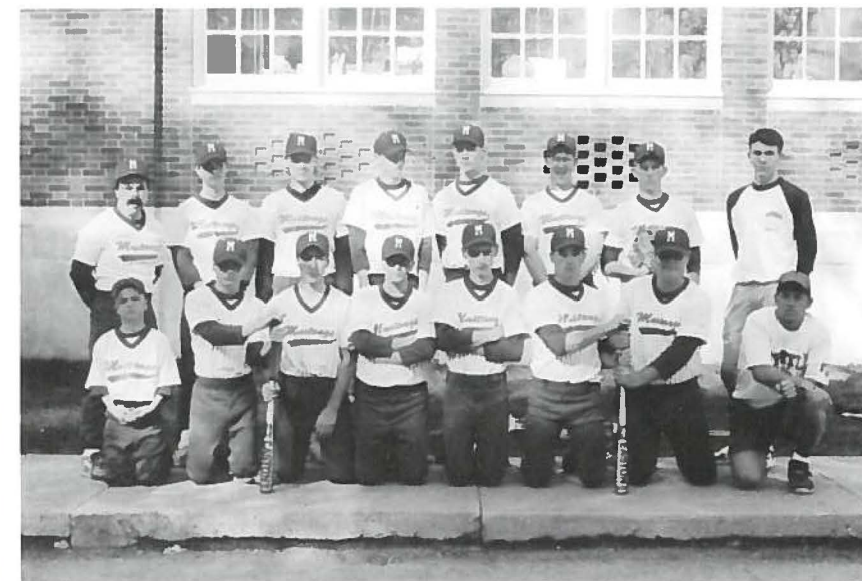


Another Trip Around the Bases

Varsity Baseball

by Kate MacLeman

Waiting for their turns at bat, the bench watches and cheers.



Baseball Team : Front: C. Bradfield, C. Bradfield, B. Palmer, J. Ross, J. Eldred, R. Pope, M. Harben, R. McCann. Back: Coach Ritzman, M. Sullivan, W. Mudge, K. Hopper, M. Seifert, G. Grant, S. Tracy, J. Matteson. Missing: E. Brown.

Mr. Ritzman yells instructions to his team out in the field. His constant encouragement and insistence on good sportsmanship kept the guys going.

The 1994 Baseball team worked hard throughout the season, even though they were young and relatively inexperienced. Seven returning Mustangs and many new faces hit the ball well, averaging 10 hits per game. The team did suffer some losses, but they never gave up and continued to play their best. Even though there were some errors, Coach Ritzman explained, "They were mental mistakes." They played like true sportsmen, earning compliments from other coaches, ump's, and other fans. One coach commented, "That team has class."

Jesse Matteson was the only senior on the team, but he had knee surgery early in the year. That cut the pitching staff to three. Steve Tracy, Kevin Hopper and Mark Harben pitched as well as can be expected in a busy schedule. Mark earned the Most Improved Player award at the Sport's Banquet, batting .400 and playing first base when not pitching.

Randy Pope, MVP for baseball, led the offensive attack with a .600 batting average. Also hitting over .300 were Charles Bradfield, John Ross, and Steve Tracy. All of these junior were named to the Tri-Valley All-Star teams. Ed Brown earned the Coach's Award, and Jesse Matteson got The Brick.

Scoreboard

Morris	Opponent	
5	NB	13
0	Afton	6
10	SNB	8
0	Schenevus	7
5	Schenevus	7
11	Franklin	2
13	GMU	5
0	Stamford	8
12	Sherburne	23
0	NB	11
10	SNB	4
8	Franklin	12
3	Laurens	12
10	GMU	26
3	Harpurville	12
10	Afton	9

Right: Adam Vosburgh shaved one second off his 100 meter dash each time he ran it.

Morris Track Team: Front: A. Vosburgh, J. Joy, M. Riordan. Back: J. Sullivan, B. Cotter.



Two New Ways to Compete at Morris



Running both the one and two mile events, Jason Sullivan was on our four-man relay team that won the Tri-Valley League in that event. Jessica Joy also qualified for sectionals in the high jump. These first year members represented Morris well in this new sport, competing under Coach Haight from New Berlin.

Modified Baseball: Front: B. Kellum, M. Polise, M. Tedesco, M. Foote, C. Tracy, N. Cimmorelli, R. Harrington, K. Meredith, J. Sanders. Back: M. Lehtonen, J. Parker, C. Coyle, J. Moskos, A. Coyle, J. Sterling, B. Barton, S. Wilcox, B. Leonard.

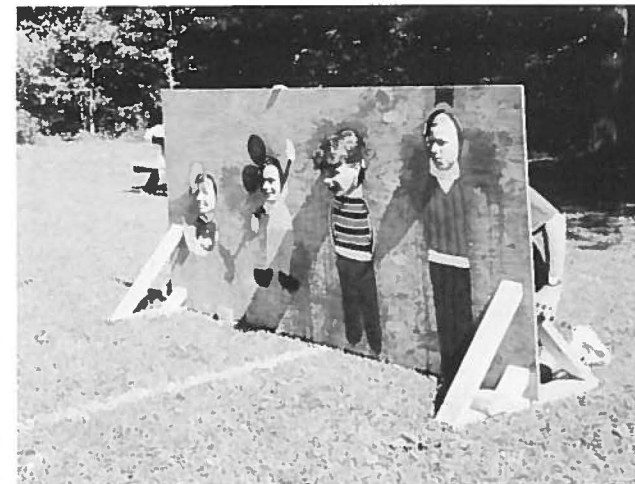
The Modified team played a big game at Southtown. A Mustang makes it to first as the ball misses the glove of the scrambling Indian.

Coach Conrad taught the boys the basics. Morris will build a strong baseball program with this new Modified program.

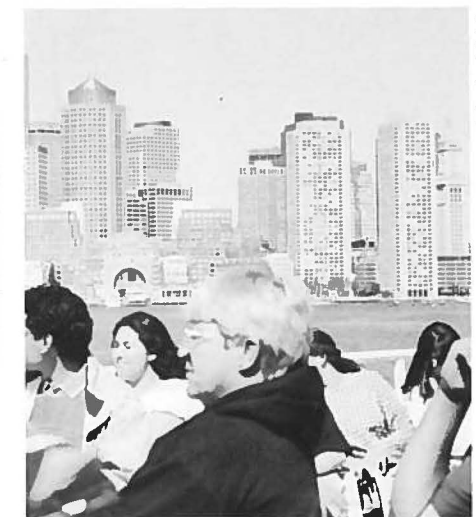


Going Places Our Way

Gilbert Lake, Whale Watch, Dare



Honor society members and a few of their friends pose for a group shot in front of the Boston Aquarium. Ms. Briand, the advisor for the Honor Societies, looks on as the boat leaves Boston Harbor. The students saw several fin whales. Mr. and Mrs. Davie and Ms. Miller also accompanied the thirty-five students on the trip to Boston.



Rebecca Schindler, Nathan Cotten, Jarrett Rockwell, and Kevin Meredith helped with the games which are a tradition for elementary classes at the end of the year.

Playing in the sand is a favorite activity of MCS students during summer rec.



Sixth Graders celebrate their completion of the DARE program, administrated by the Otsego County Sherrif's Department. DARE is a drug and alcohol awareness program. Mrs. Perkins and Ms. LaBash treated all the graduates to pizza at the end of the year.

Our "Teachers" In and Out



Student Council sponsored a student take-over day. Jon Hillis and Jesse Matteson were both busy. Jon taught sixth grade and Jesse did part of Mrs. Phillips work. And retiring this year after over 50 collective years of teaching, Mrs. Boyd and Mrs. Leal will be busy doing something else in September, NOT coming to school.

Another Senior Prom:



Students at MCS look on with awe at the Mock Car Crash that Peer Leadership sponsored before the Prom Promise sign-up.

Stephanie Dunham gets everything ready for the prom.

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Doing the electric slide is popular at every school dance, but it looks better when everyone is dressed up.

The Class of 1994 Presents "A Night of Class."



This year's court grace the sides of the 1994 King and Queen: Jesse Matteson and Katy Johnston. Last year's royalty, Ali Musser and Rob Myers, were also there. Servers were LoriAnn Maerz and Nathan Cotton.

The After Prom Party was a big hit. Students were treated to all kinds of fun at the Y in Oneonta. Breakfast was made and served by Mrs. H, Mrs. Hillis, Mrs. Miller, and Mrs. Brunschmid. Jon and Kristi look they have had a full night of basketball and swimming.

A Way to Celebrate Good Sports



The Booster Club furnished terrific food for the annual Sports Banquet. This year it was Brooks' Bar-b-que. Seniors, by tradition wearing flowers and sitting at the center table, get their food first. Some of the trophy winners pose at the end of the Banquet and Awards. Mr. Coyle and Mrs. Johnston are two of the backbone people in the Booster Club. Children of Club members also get to take turns. Here, Jennie Coyle and Kristi Leonard also help prepare for the banquet. Mr. Race, Athletic Director, heads up the Award Presentation. The coaches and the Rotary also take part in this section of the evening.

Eyes Front! The flute section is about ready to step off toward the finish line. Sherburne is a long parade at eighty degrees.



Above, the Colorguard practices before the Memorial Day Parade. The older members of the guard wore black and white. The younger swing flags are just learning the ropes.

Left, Ryan Elliott looks serious as he contemplates the return to school after the ceremony in the cemetery.

Mustangs March Their Way in Another Parade

by Kate MacLeman

See the band wearing the uniforms of blue and white. Hear the drum beat and the sounds of the instruments. Watch the twirling banners and rifles. Through all of this, imagine the members of both the band and colorguard weave within each other and form precise patterns. After hours of practice and patience, the Mustang Marching Band, under the direction of Mr. Ernst and Ms. Sorrentino, looked good enough to send chills down a spectator's spine.

Making formations while



A Couple of Diversions. Ryan Harrington recited the Gettysburg Address at the cemetery on Memorial Day. After being selected out of the eighth grade, Ryan practiced with Mrs. Birdsall.

The annual Band picnic was held at the Harrington's this year. Over 60 people went. Despite the cool temperatures, The races and the water games were a lot of fun. Mr. Ernst and the Schindlers cleaned up in the Frankenstein Feet race.

Second year majorettes, Zoe Cahill and Katy Johnston, march solemnly in the cemetery.



marching was a new addition to this year's competition. At first, it was hard, but once everyone got the hang of it, the band looked smoother and more exact. The band chose the song "Durango" for this season, and they played it at Sherburne, Morris, Norwich, Oriskany Falls, Whitney Point, and Enchanted Forest.

At Sherburne, the marching unit placed fifth. The rest of the places were second, right behind Laurens. In the race for second place, Morris did well.

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Another Year Finished

Awards Night was well-attended again. The choir sang, music awards were given, and lots of people enjoyed the time. The scholastic awards were also given, and top winners, among others, were Mike Curasi and Brian Leonard, pictured. They had the top two averages in the seventh grade. Other top scholastic winners were Tim Walling and Emily Simpson.



Moving Up Day was held at 8:45 AM in the gym. The room was packed and steamy. Mrs. Dixon's kindergarten class sang patriotic songs, and the Morning Program classes entertained all the families and friends.



The Class of 1994 amassed on the front steps for a final parting shot. Of the nineteen graduates, eleven received regents diplomas and seventeen have been accepted at colleges.

Danny Harris and David Kopp joined the class for graduation. They practiced in the morning for the real thing on June 24, at 8:00.

Valedictorian Michael Giovenco and Karen Maerz leave the front of the gym with diplomas, award money and happy faces.



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