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Quiz Bowl Team: (back row) Tom Harper, Jimmy Haddock, Josh Smiley, Steve O'Brien; (front row) Travis DeNeal, Mark Lane, (seated) Steve Hill, Pat Foster

## Varsity q-bowlers win "prom bowl"; go on to place second in state

by Jeremy Hafford

Deprived of sleep for over 24 hours, the varsity quiz bowl team won five of five matches at the Benton sectionals to capture the title of sectional champion for the first time in HHS history. This accomplishment qualified the team for further competition at the state level, where the team won three matches and lost one, placing second statewide.

The morning after prom, the tired team members and coach Bill Trees departed for Benton at 7:15. "Several of us were nodding off, and those who didn't could think of nothing except that we were going to be eliminated after losing the first match because we were so exhausted," said player Travis DeNeal.

However, the team was not defeated in the first match. The quiz bowlers beat West Frankfort 244-144 in the first round and went on to beat N.C.O.E. and rival Carrier Mills in later matches. The team went on to win the quarterfinal contest against Benton, and pulled through to defeat Carverville in the final match with a close score of 265-260.

This year's varsity quiz bowl team ended the regular season with a 30-6 record, tying the 1989 squad for the most wins in a season. After the sectional competition, the 1992 squad had earned a 35-6 record, far surpassing the previous record.

At the state competition in Springfield, the team defeated Rochester, Fairfield, and Brimfield before losing to Taylor Ridge. The team's final record for the year after state competition stands at 38-7.

Coach Trees commented, "This is a great group of kids I've got. They've continued to amaze me. They can go as far as they want."

## Seven receive scholarships

by Jeremy Stiles

Scholarships for outstanding athletic ability are very hard to earn due to the vast field of quality athletes that colleges and universities have to pick from. Few athletes ever advance further than high school competition.

Harrisburg has seven that will be attending various schools of higher education on athletic scholarships:

- 1) Amy Davidson, John A. Logan, volleyball
- 2) Charlie Arbic, Greenville, football
- 3) Mychal Cartwright, Joliet, football
- 4) Chad Lakatos, Joliet, football
- 5) Josh Banks, SIC, baseball
- 6) Brandon Frantz, SIC, baseball
- 7) Jon Davis, Illinois College, football and base-

## The end is here

by Johnny Ping

Well, the end of school is finally here. Throughout the course of the year, I have recieved many compliments on my articles that I wrote for the Clarion. Ever Since I started writing these articles, I dedicated myself to telling it like it is. There are many things that go on at this school that aren't right and everyone knows it. What amazes me is people just let it happen without fighting back in any way. I have decided to point out two recent "evil deeds" by the tyrannical Administrative Dictatorship.

First of all, the day of the senior pictures. TO make this school look like it only turns out "respectable" seniors, Mr. Gordan bestowed upon himself the almighty right to a) notallow senior B.J. Pigg hold up his Rebel flag and b) order the removal of seniors Nat Ozment's and David Mitchell's python. This is our last year. Since no one was doing anything like giving obscene gestures, the snake and the flag should have been left. Instead of letting us show our individuality by letting us have OUR Senior picyure the way WE wanted it done, the school had to look good. Needless to say, this beautifying of the school left many seniors in a rage and too obscene and incoherent to quote. Maybe the picture shows a "respectable" senior class, but WE know the truth, don't WE? Ride the snake!

My second point focuses on this school and censorship. Every one of my articles has been either radically censored or mysteriously added-to. The Senior wills will be found in this issue. The wills were typed exactly as the were submitted by myself, Ace Frehley, and Brandon Williams. For those of you who submitted your wills and find half of it missing, then you can see just how "free" your constitutional right of Freedom of Speech actually is. Brandon, Ace and I didn't edit them.

Well, I guess that's it for this year. I hope someone else rises from the ranks of teh student body to stand against the Administrative Dictatorship and point out EVERYTHING that itdoes to deny you your rights. Even though I enjoyed every moment of my senior year, I'm glad I'm graduating. I hate this place.

### EDITOR'S NOTE-

I, the editor, am responsible for what goes into this paper. To show that no articles are ever "radically censored or mysteriously added to," I wish to comment on this particular complaint Johnny Ping has. because it's making me look bad. It is not the editorial policy of this newspaper to rewrite others' stories.

Here is my explanation for why his articles may not appear exactly as he wrote them: When Johnny hands his article to me to be put in the paper, our (typists and layout designers) task is to type it on the word processor so it can later be transferred onto a printed page of our paper. However, this process is not as simple as it might sound. In deciphering his handwriting, we had some problems in the translation. Also, as with all articles, we must proofread and correct grammar and spelling errors. These problems call for minor revision, and we keep it at a minimum. Johnny has no reason to complain. After all, he said that he has received many compliments on his articles. We don't change what he is saying; are his mistakes used for effect? NOT!!!!!! But just to prove to him that I'm a good sport, I have printed his article exactly the way HE typed it on the word processor. No corrections were made. I ask the reader whether correcting Johnny's mistakes would radically censor or mysteriously add to his article.

P.S. If anything was omitted from a will, it is only because the "heir" requested so or it was in EXTREMELY poor taste.

Angie Stallings



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# According to Ace

## Last words before I leave

by Rich Frailey

"Hello ladies and gentlemen. At the end of this month you will become women and men of the world. All you have to do is pass Government, be in the senior picture, pay the fine for the book you lost when you were a sophomore, pick up your cap and gown, practice baccalaureate, attend baccalaureate, practice commencement, go through the line, and any other action we see suitable. Because, after all, graduation is not as easy as it seems."

Normally *According to Ace* is a sports column, but sometimes in life sports have to be put on the back burner. This is a time when baseball, softball, or track has to step down. To me, nothing is as important now as stepping in line to have my diploma handed to me.

I never imagined how much went into graduation and life afterward. And along with nervousness and fatigue come worry and anxiety. How's that for a graduation gift? That's a package everyone loves. My point is that not everyone is prepared for the senior season. The

last year is not an easy one. You just can't quit. There is no giving up.

"Your senior year is an exciting one, perhaps the most memorable time in one's life. But just because you made it to senior year doesn't mean you're through."

"Remember ladies and gentlemen; life begins after high school."

In case you haven't figured out from whom these quotes come, listen to any parent, teacher, or any other concerned but overbearing party; lots of people try to influence you, some successfully, others not so lucky. When it comes down to crunch time, you have to make your own decisions.

Choosing a college or even a major is not easy, especially for the procrastinators. Sooner or later you have to step up and take your roll of life's dice. You can make it work, but it's not going to be easy.

So, this is for all seniors. This one's for all of those students who've spent the last 13 years working towards a goal that will pass in an hour but be remembered for a lifetime, for all those young women and men who've stuck with it. So now let's get ready to walk that line.

...from left field

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WATCH THAT FIRST STEP!

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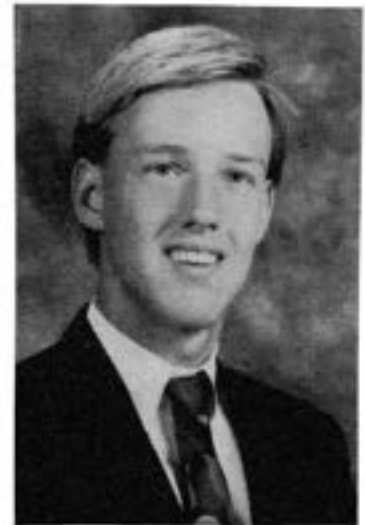
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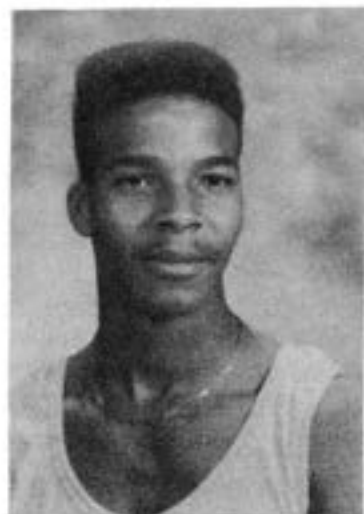
Jennifer Kerley

## Surveys help determine HHS's ten most active seniors

These ten seniors have been named the most active seniors from the class of 1992. They were selected based on their participation in extracurricular activities throughout their high school careers as listed in the senior survey conducted in April. The survey included activities such as student council, sports, band and choir, club, working in school offices, and academic teams, although academic performance and grades were not taken into consideration.

The Purple Clarion staff recognizes and thanks these seniors for their service.

## Who's Who In The Senior Class



Terry Glenn



Tony Harper

HONORABLE MENTIONS:

Jeff Dunn

Pat Fornes

Amanda Franks

John Holloway

Aimee Irvin

Brent King

Chad Lakatos

Justin Williams



Keri Rhein



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# Boston KNOWS

## Dogs falter and prevail

by Ron Boston

A team in every sport will have its "bad days" and its "good days." This best describes the streak of the Bulldog baseball team.

Gallatin County, Mt. Vernon, Benton, and Marion have handed the Dogs their only four losses to date. Embarrassment and humiliation from these four losses put a burning desire to win in the Dog's bellies.

Win is now the theme. The Dogs have one accomplishment that no other South Seven team has this year, and they've done it twice: beaten West Frankfort, both on the road and here at home. Beating a tough Warren Gurnee (Chicago) team was also a brave victory.

The Dogs have good athletes and that burning desire to win. So the key now is to limit the errors and hit the ball well. Limiting errors is a "biggie" though. The team is 11-0 when only having two errors or less. If the Dogs can put together a combination of timely hitting and good defense....."Hello Springfield!"

The Dogs host the regionals this year at the Dorriss Heights field. Eldorado will host the sectionals. This schedule gives the Dogs a district advantage.

Now 9-3 in the South Seven conference, the Dogs are one game behind west Frankfort and are tied with Mount Vernon. Overall, the team stands 15-4.



Senior Jay Herring, playing third, uses ideal form as he prepares to throw back to first.



Senior Patty Steapleton (center) and juniors Sharon Hicks (left) and Lori Wilson attempt to run down a Benton player at third base.

## Freshman players make up losses from 1991 squad

by Stephanie Welch

Although the Lady Bulldog softball team lost five seniors from last year, the five freshman who came in made up for some of the loss. Freshman players Ricki DeArmon, Lesley Foster, Christy Hill, Stephanie Welch, and Stephanie Workman have helped the team to a winning season record.

DeArmon and Workman start in outfield positions. Workman defends right field and DeArmon plays left field. Foster frequently subs in DeArmon's spot and Welch sometimes takes on Workman's position as well as the role of pinch running. Toward the end of the season, Hill has become the designated hitter.

This year the Lady Bulldogs will lose only two seniors, but the two are the battery of the team. Pitcher Krysti Jones got ten wins for the team and had nine losses this season. Catcher Patty Steapleton, a four year starter, has also been an asset to the team.

## Young blood is strength for bulldog thinclads

by Jeremy Stiles

The sun has begun to shine and its rays have been beating down on the track and its Bulldog runners since the early days of March.

The Dog tracksters have broken even so far this season. But the record would have been better without long layovers and some poor performances by a few.

"We had some people really improve and we had others that did not," said coach Tony Holler.

Although unexpected to win the conference title, the dogs have beaten almost every team in the South Seven and have come within 21 points of power house Cairo (142-121).

Senior captain Chad Lakatos has picked up top honors in the 100, 200, and 400 meter dashes and is believed to be the second fastest 400 runner in the state.

Five-foot-eight freshman Damon Lampley is one of the 16 underclassmen on the 34 member team. Lampley has conquered the bar at six-foot-four several times this season competing in the high jump, proving himself a real asset this year and possibly in the years to come.

Other assets include the talents of seniors Terry Glenn and Joe Smith in the relays and junior Jamie Satterfield, who throws discus.



Senior Chad Lakatos runs a close race with a Cairo competitor in the 100 meter dash.



Senior Kathy Pickford spins as she throws the shotput.

## Young Lady Bulldog track team having a solid year

by Jeremy Stiles

The Lady Bulldog track team has had a solid season, finishing either in first, second, or middle of the competition in almost every meet. In fact, the only poor finishes the tracksters have had were at Marion's 15-team invitational and a Mt. Vernon quadrangular. Both were very tough meets.

At a strong Paducah-Tilghman Invitational where teams from 20 top Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, and Tennessee high schools were represented, the lady Dogs finished seventh.

"I was well pleased. We're a young team and I felt everyone did a nice job," said coach Chuck Ingram.

The Lady Dogs have been unable to beat Carbondale, which is coached by former Harrisburg mentor Marla Boyer, this year. Carbondale has taken first place from Harrisburg at two invitationals. Defeats were dealt by Carbondale at the 17-team Harrisburg Invitational where Carbondale took first place and the lady dogs placed fifth, and the 15-team Marion Invitational.

Trophies were awarded to the top three schools in each division. The Lady Dogs finished fourth in Class A, missing a trophy by one spot.

"It was a good meet, especially with the regionals coming up so soon," said Coach Ingram.

## Students honored at SIC

by Angie Stallings

Eleven HHS students were honored for their talents and achievements in the studies of art, music, literature, and speech at the third annual High School Humanities Honors Night at SIC.

At the program, held May 7, hors d'oeuvres were served, awards were presented to students from eight area schools, and some students read or performed.

Junior Angie Foster, who won first place for poetry, read her poem "Sunset." She also read for freshman Angie Moore, who was scheduled to read her second place poem "Contrast," but was unable to attend.

Freshman Amy Molinarolo, second place art winner, was recognized with a certificate. Her artwork, as well as that of seniors David Mitchell and Ginger Noah, who also received certificates, was on display at the program.

Angie Foster and Angie Moore, in addition to the honor of reading their poems, also received certificates in English.

Seniors Emily Carter and Jennifer Kerley were given music certificates for their achievements playing instruments. The two play bass clarinet and French horn respectively. Juniors Chris Moore and Tiffany Simpson received certificates for talent in vocal music.

Seniors Josh Bradley and Jeff Dunn were given certificates for achievements in speech.

All stories, poems, and artwork recognized at the program were published in *Across These Hills*, SIC's annual high school literary magazine.



GOOD LUCK SENIORS!



Brad Combs displays his winning candy corn witch.

## Edible art is a tasty treat

by Rich Frailey

Senior Brad Combs was the big winner in the 1992 Edible Art Show. He won the first place prize of \$25 with his witch made of candy corn.

Second place went to sophomore Maggie Williams for her version of the Notre Dame Cathedral. Freshman Sandy Gulley received third place with a jungle.

Five honorable mentions were given. Seniors Jimmy Hayes and Ginger Noah, junior Kari Perkins, sophomore Beth Pankey, and freshman Amy Molinarolo each received special recognition for their creation.

This year's show included a new faculty division. Five teachers participated in the competition, but Mrs. Clark won first place and \$25 for her efforts to create chocolate "dog doodie."

Art instructor Mrs. Allen remarked, "Art is the only class in which you can have your cake and eat it, too!"



## Harper is sole honor band member selected from HHS

by Jeremy Stiles

Senior clarinetist Tony Harper was selected to perform with renowned band director Harry Begian as a member of Eastern Illinois University's annual High School Honor Band. The concert took place in Dvorak Concert Hall on April 10.

"Begian was a lot of fun to play for," said Harper. "It was something that I will remember for a long time."

Harper was the only person from Harrisburg chosen for the 101 member band. Instrumentalists were nominated by their own instructors and then chosen based on the number of musicians needed for each section and the quality of their performances. Harper was selected from a field of over 360 nominees from 66 Illinois high schools.



Clarinet player Tony Harper also played in the pit band for Lil Abner.

## Mrs. Clark organizes HHS student volunteer services

by Sara Evans

Mrs. Clark is coordinating a summer program in conjunction with the Harrisburg Medical Center Auxiliary. Twelve HHS students have volunteered to devote a few hours a day to assist with patients' meals and other jobs to help hospitalized people.

Students who have volunteered for the Auxiliary program are Elizabeth Angelly, Julie Booten, Lisa Bowers, Cheryl Brown, Shawn Buchanan, Barbie Dann, Rachel Dann, Dana Hawkins, Melinda Hazel, Heather Howton, Nicole Ping, and Angie Trammel.

Another program Mrs. Clark is devoting some of her time to is the Friends of Mitchell-Carnegie Library Reading Program. In this program, student volunteers will read mail and newspapers to residents of local nursing homes.

Those students who volunteered to read are Julie Booten, Matt Bramlet, Cheryl Brown, Melinda Hazel, and Kim Turner.

He's got the face of a movie star,  
the body of a Greek god,  
and the breath of a St. Bernard.



Your winning looks don't matter when you smell like a loser. Smoking makes you reek. And there's nothing cool about that.

## 1992 prom "Unforgettable"

by Amy Mitchell

When the 1:30 bell rang on Friday, May 1, it marked the beginning of a night to remember, as many students hurried home to begin getting ready for prom. The theme for this year's prom was "Unforgettable" and the junior class worked for weeks to complete decorations for the occasion.

"The decorations turned out to look a lot better than I thought they would, especially when we finally set them up at SIC," said junior Mary Palmer, who worked on the decorating committee.

At 8:00, couples lined up outside Deaton Gym and began to promenade down its length while sophomore promserver Stephanie Rister announced the couples to the crowd of spectators. Exiting the gym and walking down the corridor to the cafeteria, couples entered a room decorated in red and black streamers and crepe paper and accented with large red foil roses. H and H Promotions provided music for the event.

Although the class of '93's decision to move the prom to SIC from the traditional location of Davenport Gym was not without controversy, most promgoers as well as parents and other spectators agreed that the prom at SIC was a success.

Junior Leslie Hearn said, "I thought walking outside by the fountain was great!"

"The valet parking was a nice touch," commented senior Josh Bradley.

Junior sponsor Mrs. Ewert noted,



Senior Rich Frailey and date take advantage of the valet parking service offered by volunteer parents. "The move to SIC definitely improved the promenade. Several parents told me how pleased they were with it, with the spacing between couples, the good lighting, and the seating for onlookers, it went over exceptionally well."

Parent-sponsored Afterprom was held at the Harrisburg Knights of Columbus Hall. From 12:00 -4:00 a.m., couples danced to music deejayed by Midwest Sound and Light Show. At intervals of ten to fifteen minutes, the music was briefly interrupted to announce prize winners; Thousands of dollars worth of prizes were given away by drawing the names of juniors and seniors in attendance. About \$2500 in cash was given away. Junior Tonya Gooday won \$100, junior Angie Phillips was the winner of \$200, and several juniors and seniors won \$20 each, often with an extra gift such as certificates for \$10 of gas, a free pizza, or a complimentary haircut. In addition to cash prizes, eight pairs of Oakley sunglasses, a large stereo, a CD player, and a few Walkmans, among other items, were given away.

By 4:00, Afterprom had ended. Some couples went home whereas others attended the Kiwanis Club Pancake Day. Breakfast here was complimentary to the students. After breakfast, tired couples made their way home. Most would agree that Prom 1992 was an "Unforgettable" event.



Couples crowd the floor to dance during a slow song.



Seniors Jennifer Hale and Carolyn Werkmeister enjoy a brief respite from standing in line to have pictures by sitting down on a couch in the lounge.



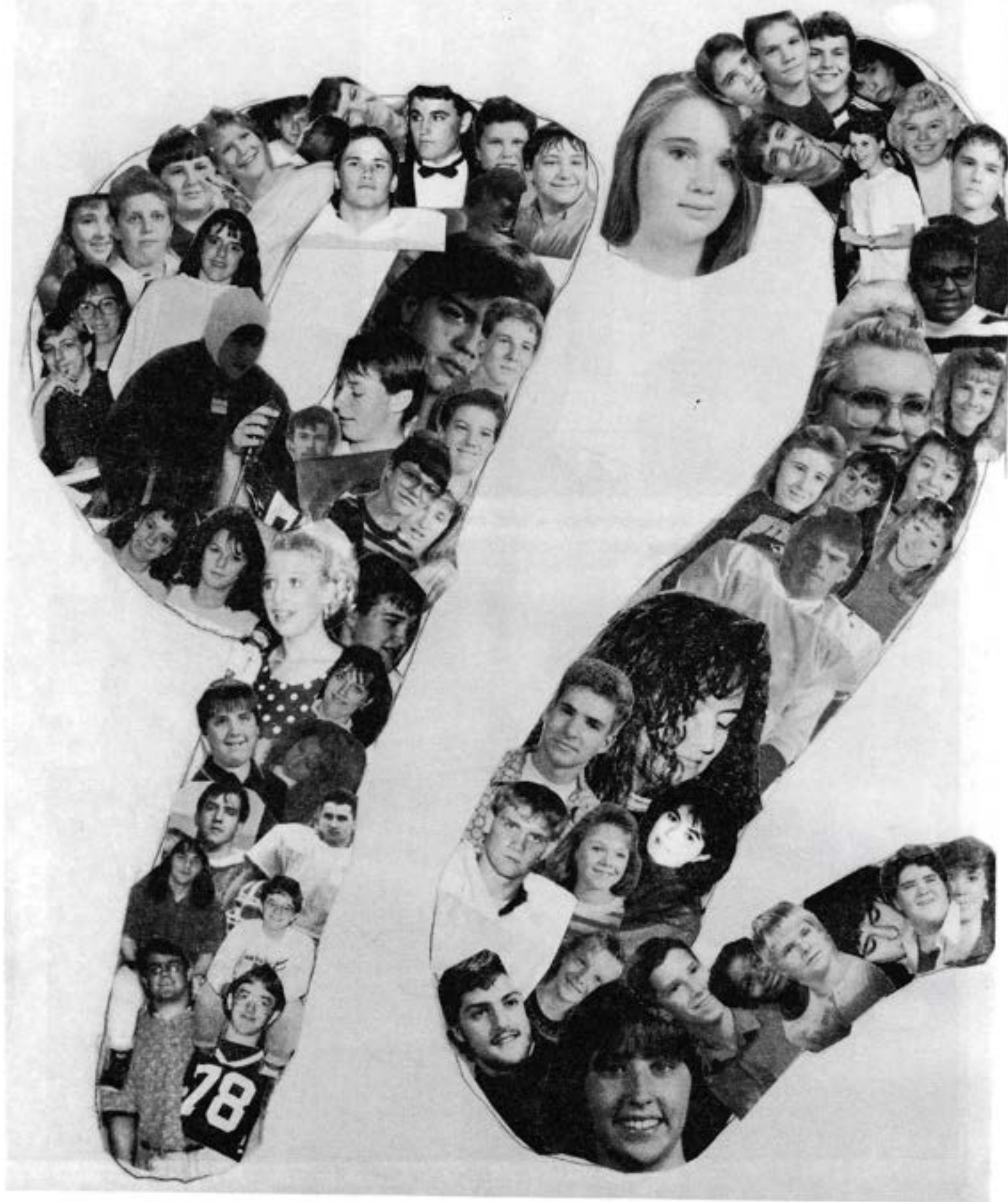
Seniors Michelle George and Denny Wallace pause for the benefit of the onlookers during the promenade.



Junior Heather Harner and date get some fresh air on the patio.



Seniors Amy Casteel, Terri Shewmaker, Sherry Volkert, Cindy Graham, and Jennifer Dismuke pose for a friendly group shot to remember an "Unforgettable" night at their senior prom, the first in SIC's cafeteria.





# Diploma



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## Seniors choose their best

On a hectic spring morning in early April, a rather unorganized yet efficient group of Purple Clarion "staffers" managed to put together and distribute about 175 surveys to senior homerooms in thirty minutes. This annual senior survey asked seniors about activities they have participated in at HHS and also polled them to determine "the bests and the mosts" of the class of 1992. The results of the traditional *Senior Superlatives* portion of the survey are as follows:

In the category of **Best Car**, **Jeremy Pinkston's** Mustang and **Amanda Franks'** Celica were chosen as favorites in the boy and girl divisions.

**Jon Davis** was declared the **Friendliest/Most Polite** boy and **Keri Rhein** was named the friendliest girl.

For **Best Athlete**, **Chad Lakatos** was named the most athletically-inclined boy and **Amy Davidson** was proclaimed the best girl athlete.

In the voting for **Class Clown**, **Terry Glenn** was selected as the funniest boy. **Staci Hull** was recognized as the girl who evokes the most laughter.

Whiz kids **Tony Harper** and **Beth Jones** were voted as the **Smartest** boy and girl.

**Terry Glenn**, who plays drums and sings, was found to be the **Most Musical** boy. Vocalist **Keri Rhein** was elected the most musical girl.

In the **Best Dressed** category,

there was a tie for best dressed boy. **Marc DeVar** and **Brent King** were found equally well-clothed, while **Amanda Franks** was named the best dressed girl.

**Jon Davis** won the title of **Best Looking** boy, whereas **Amy Bittle** was named the most attractive girl.

Does smart equal successful? Apparently so, because **Smartest** winners **Tony Harper** and **Beth Jones** were also named the boy and girl **Most Likely to Succeed**.

The following five new categories were introduced this year:

**Scott Kiesecons** and **Aimee Irvin** were found to be the **Most Daring** boy and girl.

Is this too risque? **Jon Davis** and **Amanda Franks** were winners in the **Best Centerfold** category.

For **Teacher's Pet**, **Shane Hall** was named the boy with the "brownest nose," and **Patty Steapleton** was the girl winner.

Let's talk about.....**John Holloway** and **Staci Hull**, who were recognized as the **Most Talkative** boy and girl.

Finally, who are the guys everyone always sees wandering around the hallways, the guys who never seem to be in class? Why **Chad Lakatos** and **Dean Raymer**, of course! They tied for the boy who's the **Best Hallway Roamer**, whereas **Beth Cluck** was uncontested in the voting for the girl you'd most likely see in the hallways.

# FAVORITES