

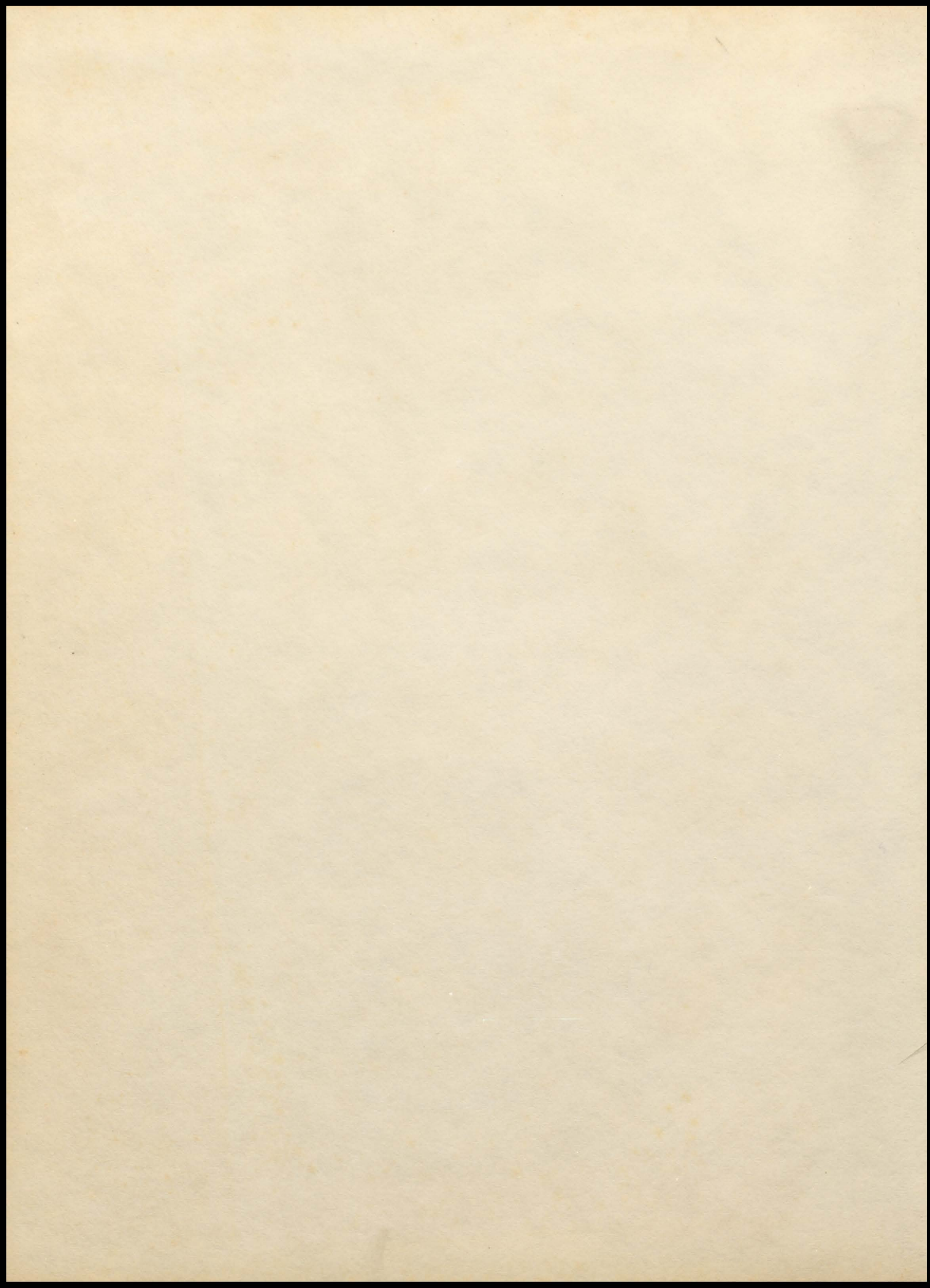


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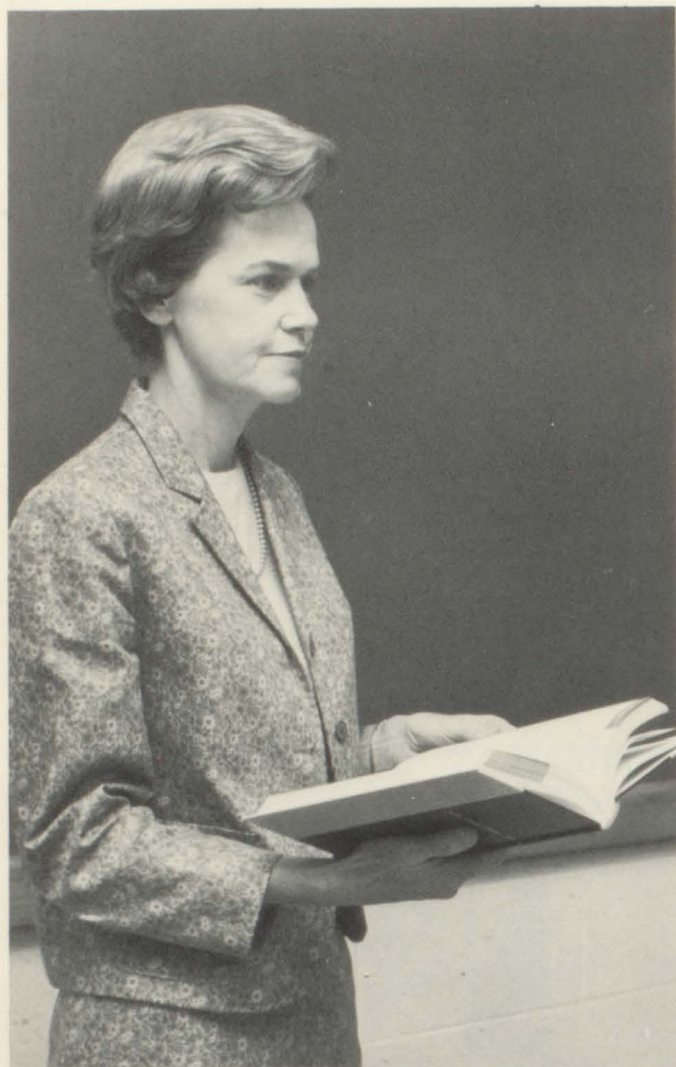
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Sarah Ellen Tickle, Editor
Anne Leigh Dunn, Business Manager

Rec # 9007

Dedication



The class of 1973 dedicates "The Echo" to those, who through their patience, kindness, and understanding guided our footsteps at the beginning of the long journey to becoming Seniors. With gratitude and sincere thanks we find it an honor to dedicate our annual to Miss Mary Greever and Mr. Richard Havens.



"He that governs well
leads the blind;

But he that teaches
gives them eyes."





Senior Class 1973



Bland High Seal

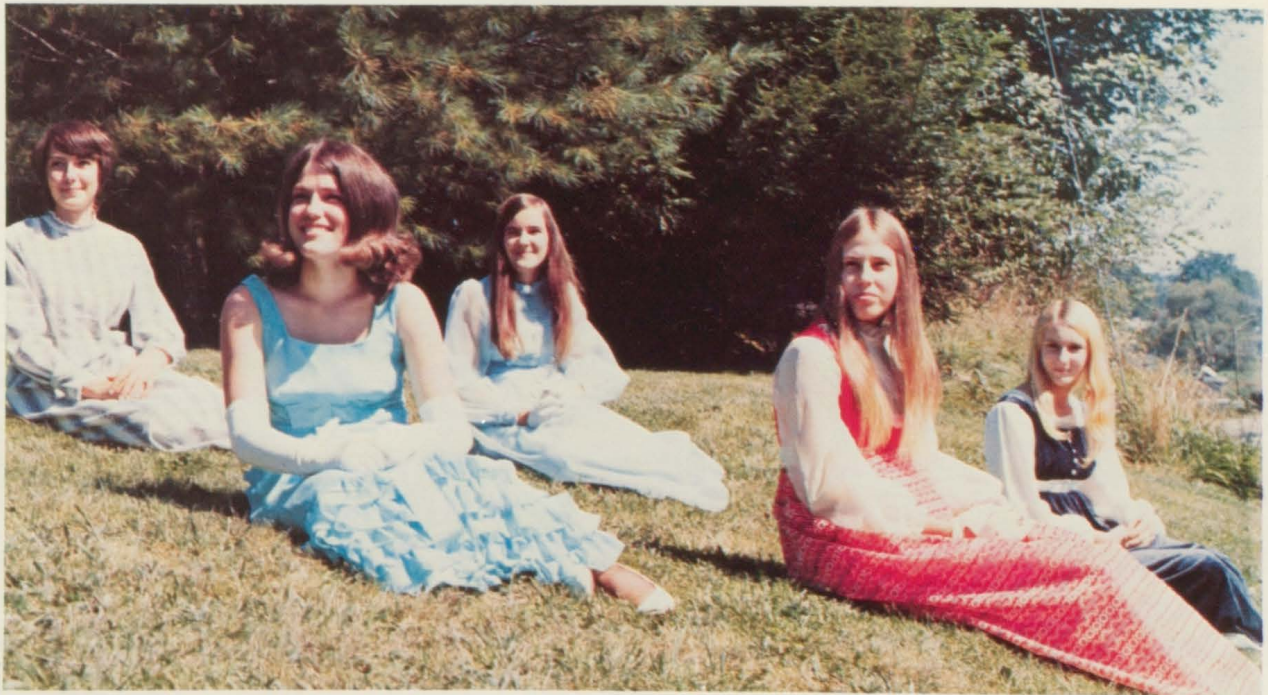


SCA Officers



1972 Tournament Trophies

Miss Echo



Miss Echo and Court

"Miss Echo" Day



'Miss Echo" 1973, Patty F. Looney



Karen Hall
Senior Class



Vicki Blankenship
Junior Class



Linda Kidd
Sophomore Class



Brenda Meadows
Eighth Grade



Sally Tickle, Editor, crowns "Miss Echo"

The 1973 "Miss Echo" Day began at 9:30 in Wagner Auditorium with the crowning of Patty F. Looney. The crowning was followed by the movie "Hotel", and in the afternoon the "Strawberry Hill" band provided entertainment.



Miss Echo and Court



Crown Bearer
Becky McPeak and Todd Taylor



"Pa" portrayed by Randy Compton in
"Mountain Justice" presented by the
Dramatics Class.



Mrs. Hardy, Sponsor



The Chorus Class sings "Bothsides Now"
and "Whistle a Happy Tune."



Everyone enjoys the dance.



The French Classes sing "Dominique."



Strawberry Hill preforms.

"Somewhere, My Love"

On April 8, 1972, in a mystical way "Somewhere, My Love" was brought to a reality.

The "Somewhere" was a beautifully decorated rose garden. Each Junior and Senior had their own special "My Love."

Adding to the splendor of the night was the romantic music provided by The Classical Vantage.



Prom '72

It Was All There.

Mr. Reynolds crowns Queen, Toni Pauley and King, Tommy Kitts.





... but too Soon It Ended.

Mountain Empire District Champions 1972

The victorious Bland Rockets display their trophies following the Mountain Empire District Tournaments. The Rockets climaxed their successful season with a 75-58 win over Fort Chiswell to secure the Mountain Empire District Championship.

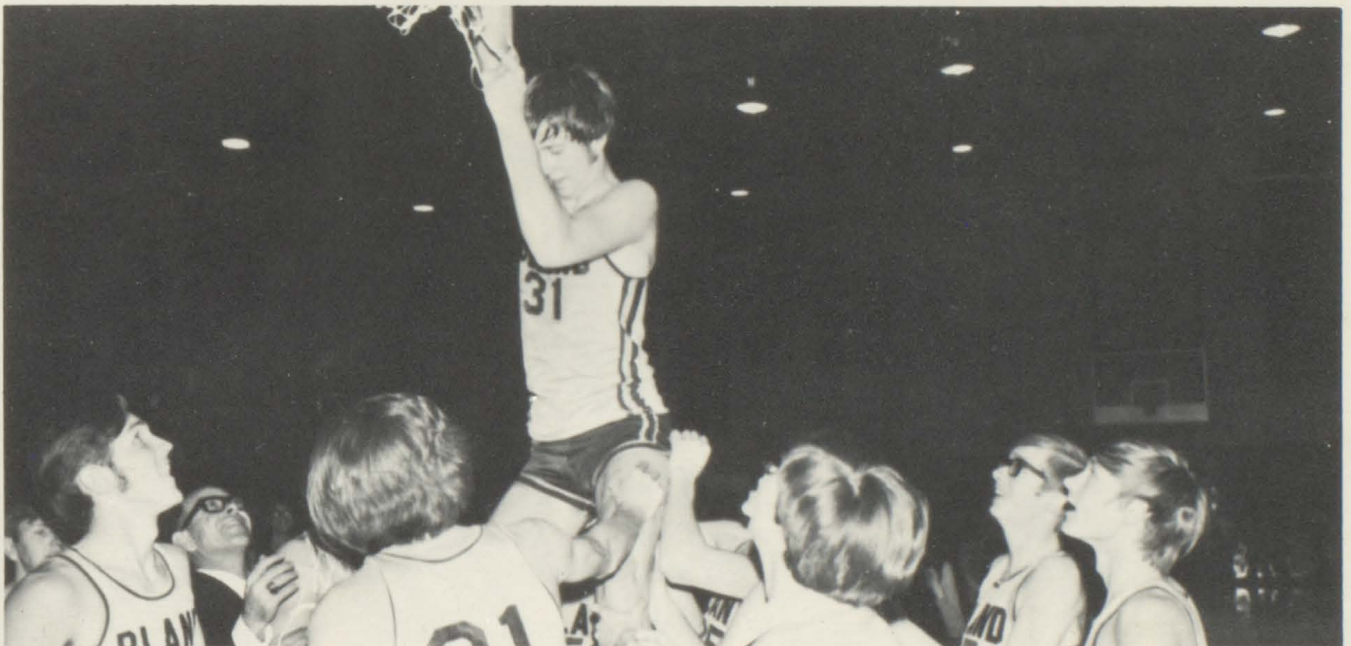




Coach Samuel F. Groseclose accepts the Mountain Empire District Sportsmanship Plaque.



Glen Tate (55) and Stephen Newberry (31) share the Tournament Championship trophy.



Jubliant Rockets lift Stephen Newberry to cut the net from the rim following the exciting tournaments.

Big Walker Mountain Tunnel Opens

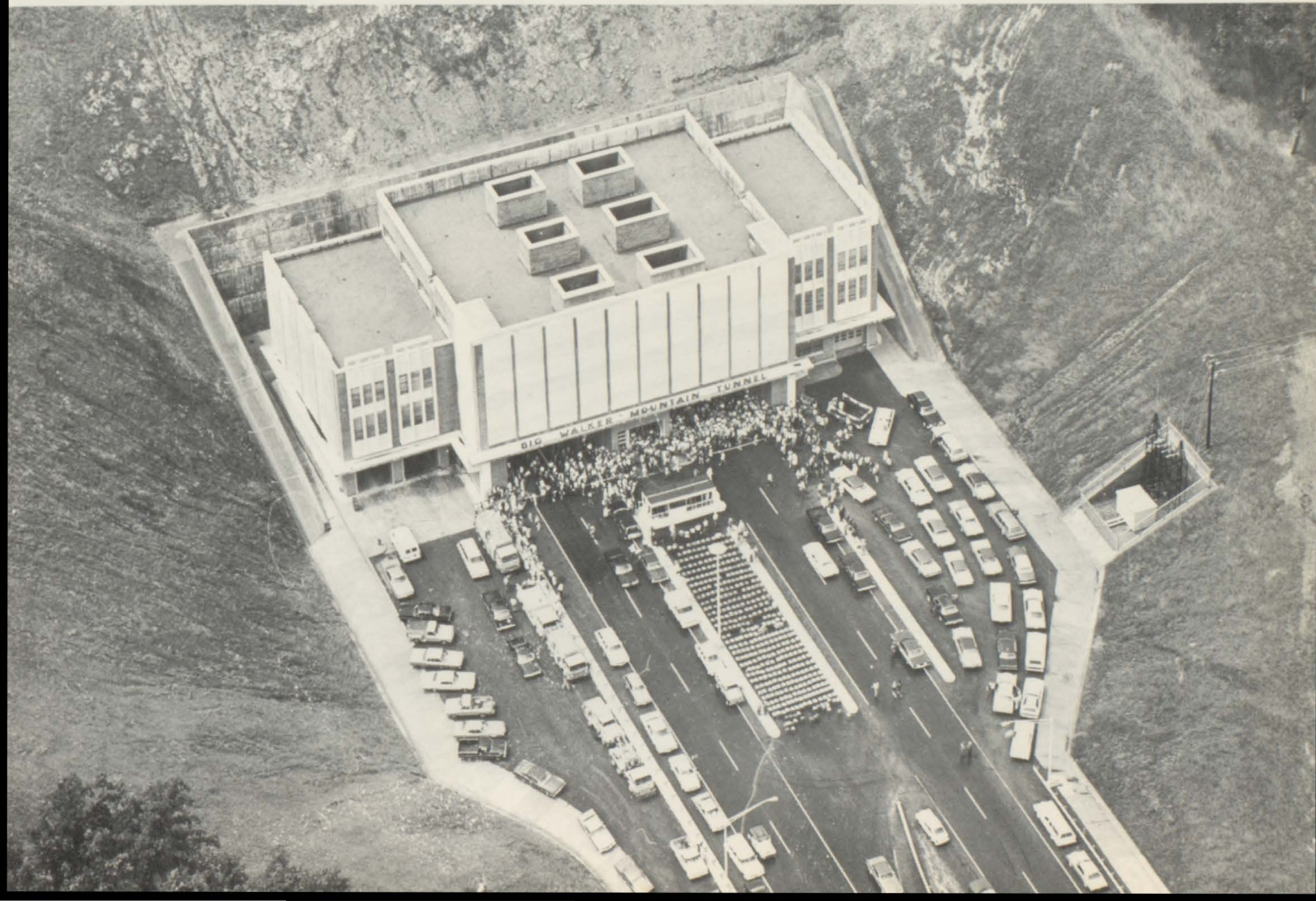
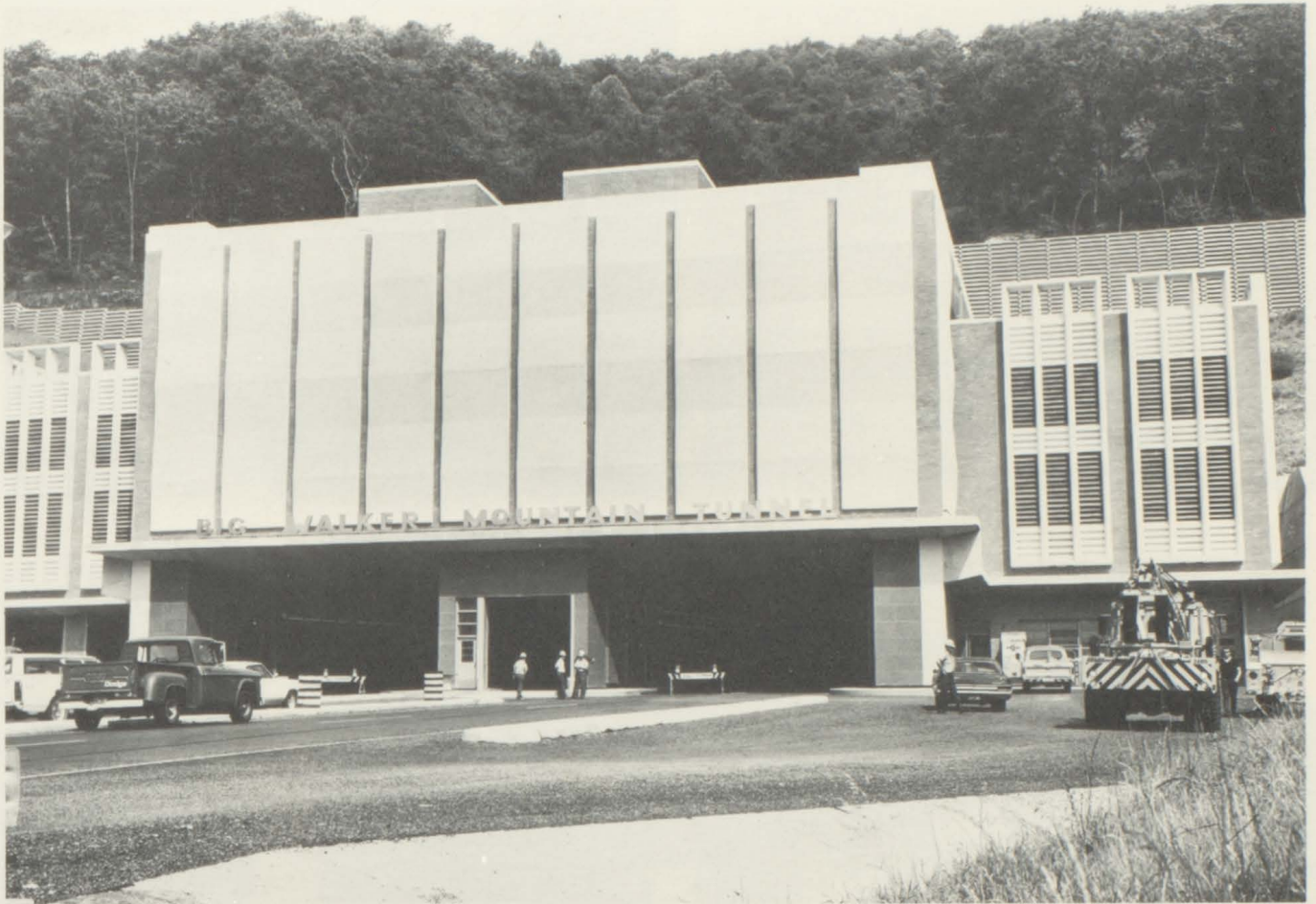
An event of great significance was the opening of the Big Walker Mountain Tunnel which is located entirely in Bland County and serves as a connecting device for the super highway Virginia Interstate 77 between Bland and Wytheville. This road project, one of the greatest undertakings of its kind, in the history of Virginia, was officially opened for traffic on June 29, 1972.

Among the more than one thousand persons attending the colorful ribbon-cutting ceremonies at the south portals of the forty-two hundred foot twin tubes, were Virginia Governor, the Honorable Linwood Holton, and former Governor, the Honorable Mills Godwin, along with officials of the Great Lakes-to-Florida-Highway Association.

This ceremony was the culmination of the ground-breaking for the mammoth tunnel which took place on October 16, 1967.



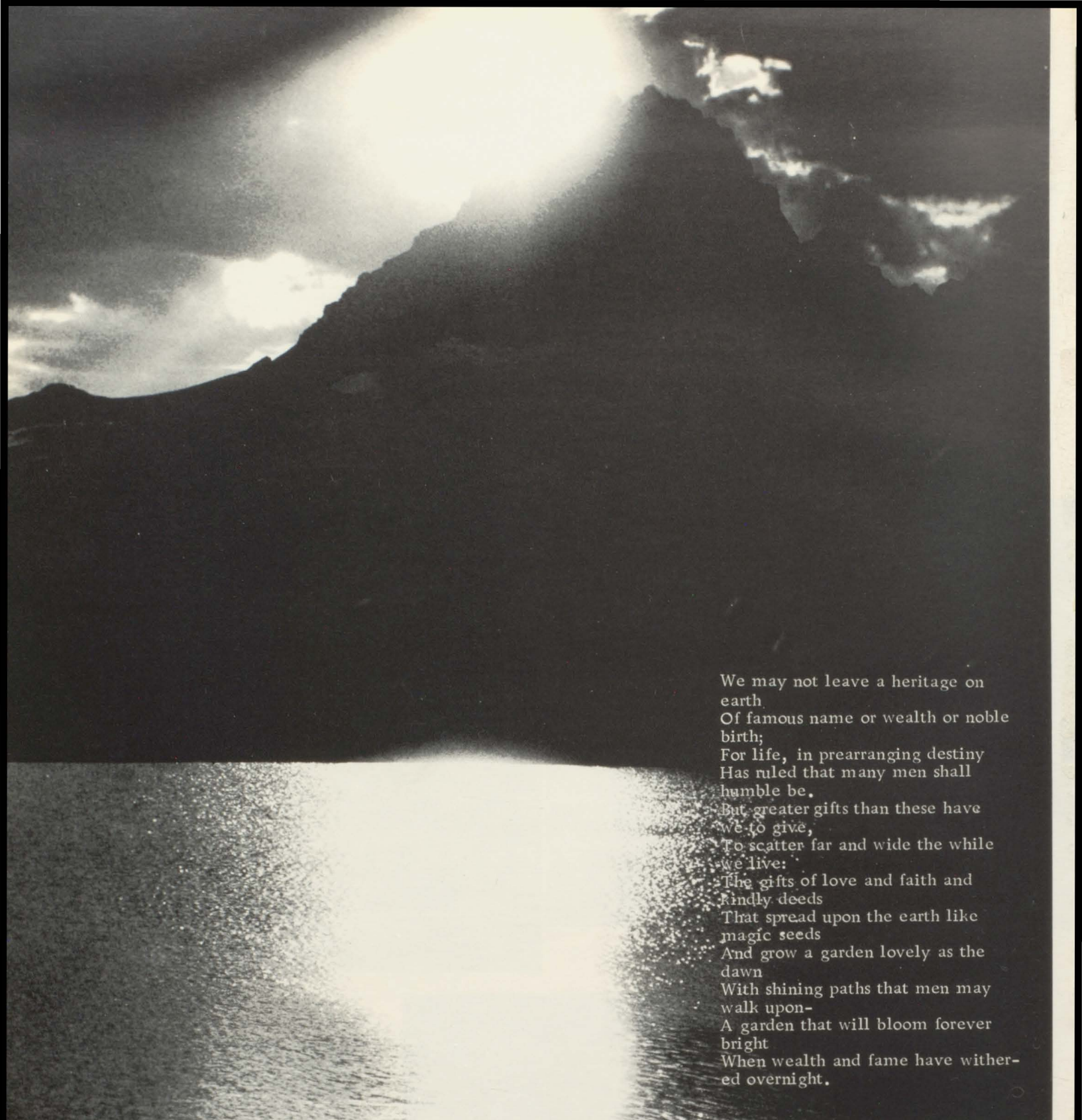
James A. Williams, President of the Great Lakes-to-Florida-Highway Association, and Governor Linwood Holton cut the ribbon at the opening ceremony.



There are some things in life that never change. We love and hate, laugh and cry, win and lose, fight and surrender, but we never lose sight of the fond memories of our youth. They are as eternal and beautiful as life itself.







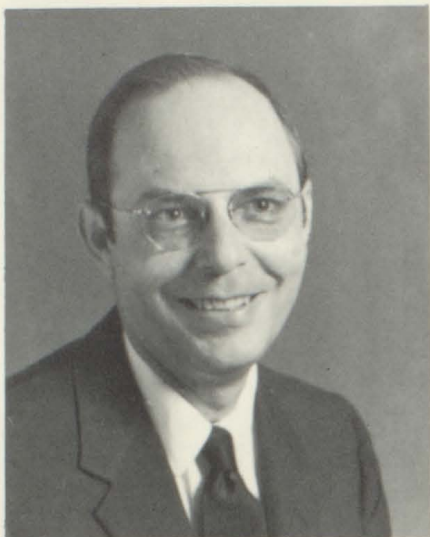
We may not leave a heritage on
earth
Of famous name or wealth or noble
birth;
For life, in prearranging destiny
Has ruled that many men shall
humble be.
But greater gifts than these have
We to give,
To scatter far and wide the while
we live:
The gifts of love and faith and
kindly deeds
That spread upon the earth like
magic seeds
And grow a garden lovely as the
dawn
With shining paths that men may
walk upon-
A garden that will bloom forever
bright
When wealth and fame have wither-
ed overnight.

Walter Henderson Pruett
1910-1972
18 Years Service



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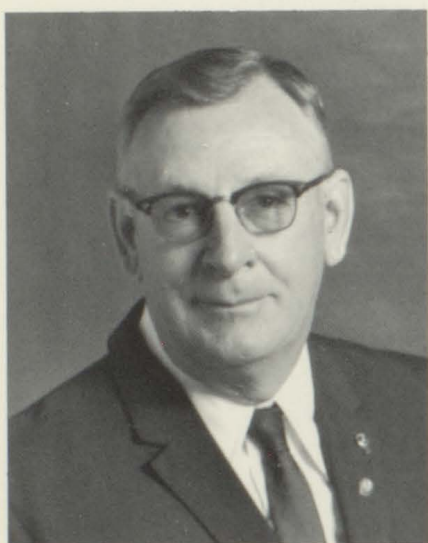
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Principal



MISS SUSAN ST. CLAIR
Music



MRS. LOIS O. CRABTREE
Home Economics



MR. R. DOW DAVIS
Mathematics

Bland High Faculty



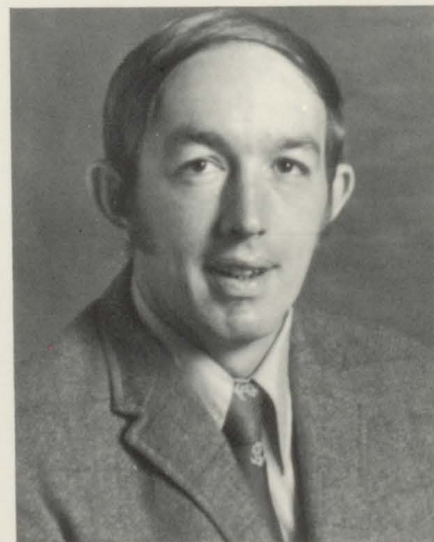
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English



MISS MARY GREEVER
English



MR. SAMUEL F. GROSECLOSE
Biology, Phys. Ed., Coach



MR. RICHARD HAVENS
Social Studies



MRS. HELEN P. HARDY
Mathematics, French



MRS. JESSIE D. KEGLEY
Business Education

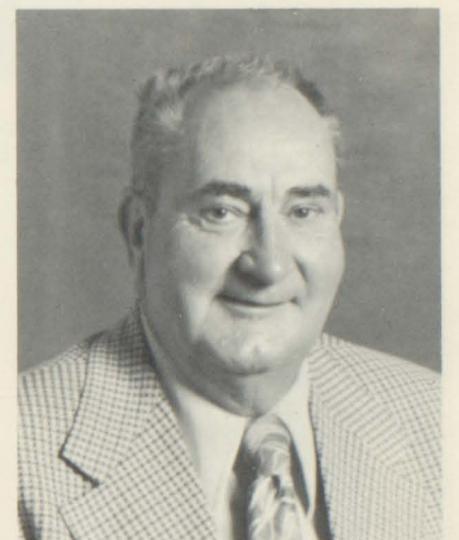


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Agriculture



MRS. ELIZABETH G. NEWBERRY
Librarian

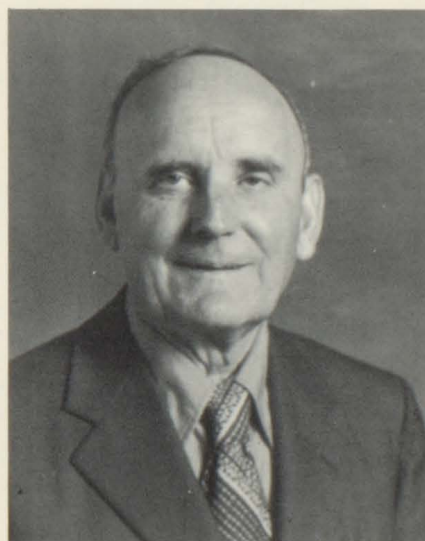
A teacher affects eternity; he can never
tell where his influence stops.
--Henry Brooks Adams



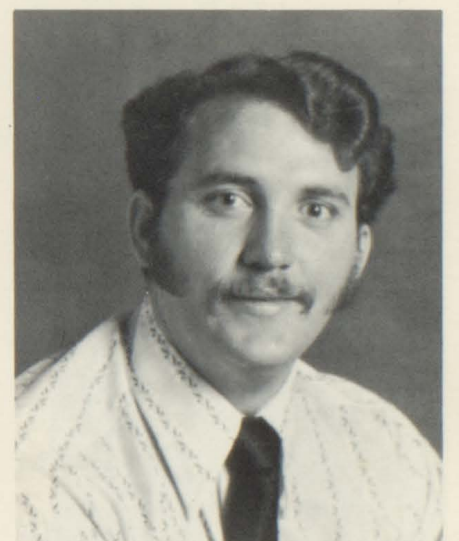
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MRS. SANDRA F. TARTER
Dramatics, Physical Ed.



MR. J.M. THOMAS
Guidance



MR. ROGER D. THOMPSON
Science

Elementary Faculty



Mrs. Marie C. Groseclose
Seventh



Mrs. Louise B. Bird
Fourth



Mrs. Jacqueline D. Barlow
Sixth



Mrs. Norma G. Newberry
Fifth



Mrs. June M. Miller
Third



Mrs. Lorine U. Wagner
Second



Miss Elizabeth Neal
First



Miss Kathleen Wright
First



Mrs. Katherine L. Reynolds
Kindergarten



Mrs. Linda R. Mustard
Physical Education

Teachers' Aides



Mrs. JoAnn Stafford
Office Aide



Mrs. Doris Dillow
Bookkeeper



Mrs. Ruth P. Dalton
Kindergarten



Mrs. Mabel Carroll
First Grade



Mrs. June Newberry
Second Grade



Mrs. Mary Lizzie Tickle
Third Grade



Mrs. Mary Lee Tickle
Fourth Grade



Mrs. Nadine Bridges
Fifth Grade



Mrs. Brenda Blankenship
Seventh Grade

Board of Education



Bland County School Board--Mr. Rex Morehead, Mr. Elmo Sadler, Mr. Raymond Stowers, Mr. Victor Gilly, Superintendent, Mrs. Woodrow Scott



Mrs. E.E. Shannon



Mrs. Rose Bowen



Mr. R. Kieffer Irvin
Federal Coordinator



Mrs. Emma King



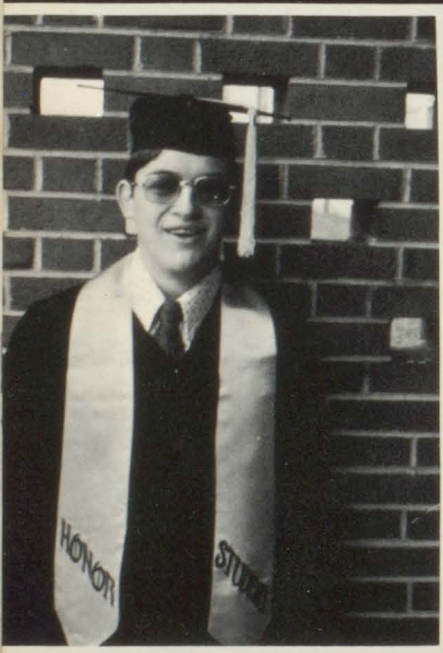
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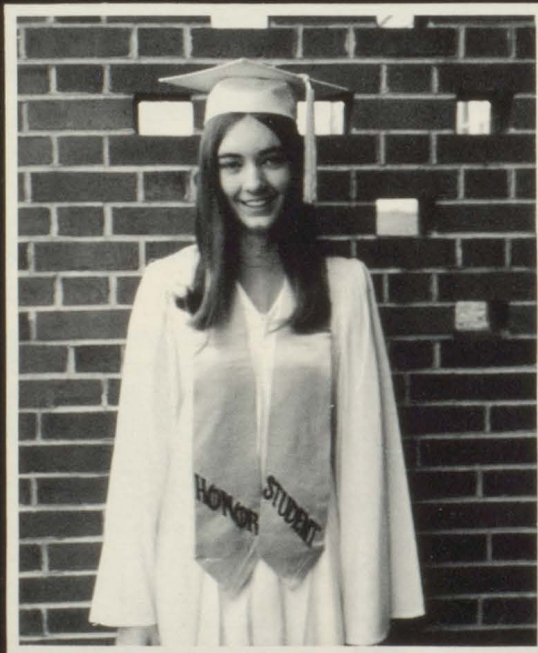


SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS: (R to L) Tim Tickle- President; Pam Wolfe- Vice President; Sheree Sadler- Secretary; Leigh Anne Newberry- Treasurer; Jimmy Baker- Reporter; Buck Songer- Chaplain; Miss Mary Greever- Sponsor; and Mr. Richard Havens Co-Sponsor.

Senior Honor Students



VALEDICTORIAN
Jeffrey A. Baxley
96.82



SALUTATORIAN
Carol A. Smith
96.39



HISTORIAN
Anne L. Dunn
95.94

DEBRA KAYE ATKINS-Varsity Basketball; FHA; Dramatics; Office Worker.

JAMES PRESTON BAKER-SCA Reporter; Honor Student; Newspaper Staff; Sports Editor; SCA Vice President; Class President 71; Class Reporter 73; Beta Club Reporter; Basketball Manager; Varsity Basketball; French Club; Upward Bound; ECHO Staff.

BRENDA GALE BAKER-FHA; Hilltop News Staff; Senior 4-H; Chorus.

DIANNA KAY BAKER-Class Reporter 71; Class Chaplain 70.

JEFFREY ANDERSON BAXLEY-Valedictorian; SCA Representative; French Club; Beta Club; Chess Club, Rules Chairman; DAR; Honor Student; ECHO Staff; King College Scholastic Achievement Award.

PATSY MAE CLEMONS- Dramatics; FHA; Chorus.

ROBERT LEE CHEWNING-FFA; 4-H Club; J. V. and Varsity Basketball; Dramatics.

RANDY MICHAEL COMPTON-French Club; J. V. and Varsity Basketball; Dramatics.

DEBORAH GALE CONLEY-Beta Club; SCA Representative.

FRIEDA MAE COX-FHA; J. V. Basketball; Dramatics; Office Worker.

ELIZABETH IRENE DILLOW-FHA; Chorus; Beta Club; Hilltop News Staff; NYC Worker.

ANNE LEIGH DUNN-Historian; Cheerleader, 4 years, Captain; Beta Club; French Club; Honor Student; Newspaper Staff, Sports and News Editor; ECHO Staff Business Manager; SCA Reporter and Representative; FHA; 4-H President; King College Scholastic Achievement Award.

SANDRA LYNN FAULKNER-Class Treasurer 71; Class Vice President 72; Basketball team, 4 years.

ROBERT HAL GUSLER-Class Vice President 69; SCA Representative; French Club; SCA Reporter; Chess Club; Beta Club; ECHO Staff; Honor Student.

KAREN SUE HALL-Annual Staff, Assistant Business Manager; Hilltop News, Editorial Editor; French Club, Secretary; 4-H Club; Dramatics; Miss Echo Candidate 73; J. V. Basketball.

JERRY DEAN HARDEN-Dramatics; FFA; KVG Crew Member; Forestry Judging Team.

RANDY GRANT HICKS-SCA Reporter; French Club; Beta Club; Chess Club-Correspondence Secretary; ECHO Staff; SCA Representative.

JIMMY LEE KIDD-Sentinel, Secretary, and President of FFA; State FFA Convention Delegate; Dramatics; KVG Crew, 4-H Club.

SYLVIA ANN KING-Class Secretary 70; FHA; Office Worker; Homecoming Candidate 72; Hilltop News Staff.

CYNTHIA LEE MUNCY-Girls' Basketball; Class President 69; SCA Representative and Chaplain; French Club; Senior 4-H Club; Beta Club Secretary; Mountain Empire TB and RD Representative; ECHO Staff; Assistant Editor; Hilltop News Staff Editor.

PEGGY NEEL MELVIN-FHA; SCA Representative.

LEIGH ANNE NEWBERRY-Cheerleader, 4 years, Captain; Newspaper Staff, Page Editor; SCA Treasurer; Beta Club; Class Treasurer 73; French Club President; Assistant Business Manager, Annual Staff.

STEPHEN HOWARD NEWBERRY-Member of 72 "All-District First Team"; J. V. and Varsity Basketball; FFA; KVG Crew; Forestry Judging Team; Office Worker.

DANIEL BARNES PENLEY-FFA; Dramatics; Bus Driver.

BETH RENEE REPASS-Class Secretary 69; Beta Club; FHA, Historian; Honor Student.

SHEREE DAWN SADLER-SCA President; Homecoming Queen 73; Cheerleader, 4 years, Captain; Beta Club; Honor Student; Hilltop News Staff; Editorial Editor 72, Sports Editor 73; Class Secretary 73; ECHO Staff, Assistant Editor; FHA; French Club.

CAROL ANN SMITH-Salutatorian; Class Treasurer 71; President 72; 1st Vice President, Treasurer, and President of FHA; Beta Club, Treasurer; SCA Representative; Honor Student; State FHA Convention Representative, 2 years.

PAMELA ROSE SMITH-4-H Club, President; Beta Club, President; SCA Secretary; Annual Staff, Typist; Hilltop News Staff; Honor Student; J. V. and Varsity Basketball.

JERRY WAYNE SONGER-Secretary of FFA; Member of FFA, 3 years; Class Chaplain; Song Leader 68; 4-H Club; Dramatics.

SHARON FAYE STROCK-4-H Club President; FHA, Historian, Treasurer, Vice President; Beta Club, Vice President; Class Reporter and Secretary.

SARAH ELLEN TICKLE-ECHO Staff, Editor; J. V. and Varsity Basketball; Beta Club; French Club, President 71; SCA, Sergeant-at-Arms; Honor Student; FFA Sweetheart 72; Class Vice President 71.

TIMOTHY WAYNE TICKLE-SCA Sergeant-at-Arms; Class President 73; French Club; Chess Club; ECHO Staff, Photographer.

WILLIAM DAVID TURNER, JR.-FFA; Newspaper Staff, Grade Editor.

PAMELA GWEN WOLFE-Class Vice President 70; Class Treasurer 72; Class Vice President 73; Homecoming Attendant 71; 4-H Club; FHA; Beta Club, Chaplain; SCA Chaplain; Office Worker; Varsity Basketball; Honor Student; DAR.



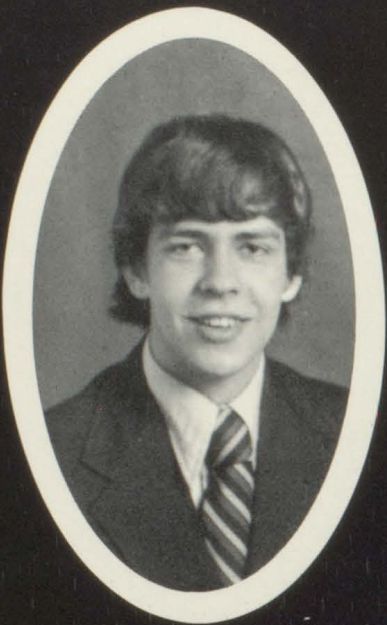
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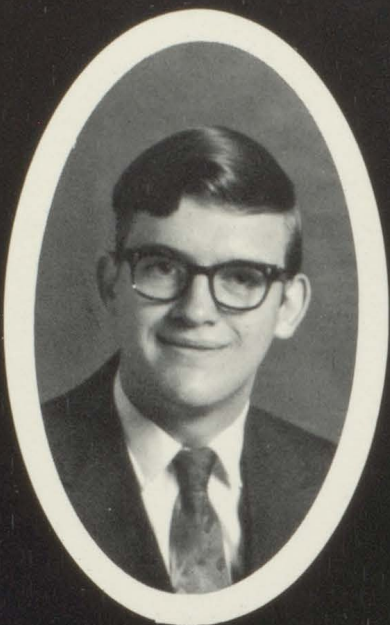
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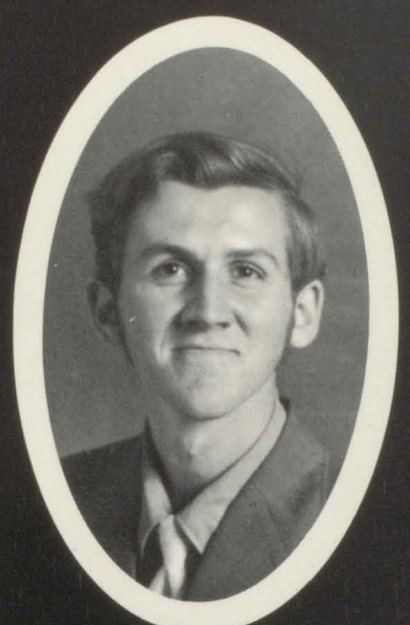
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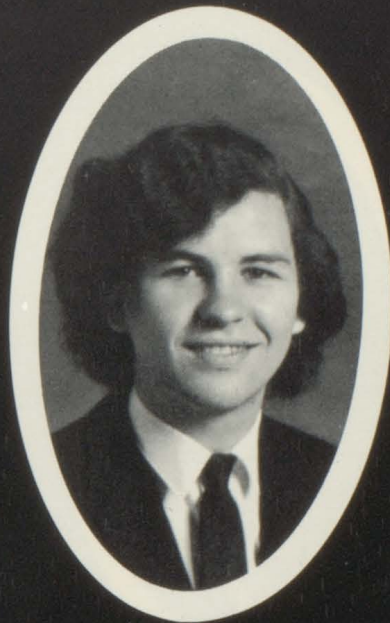
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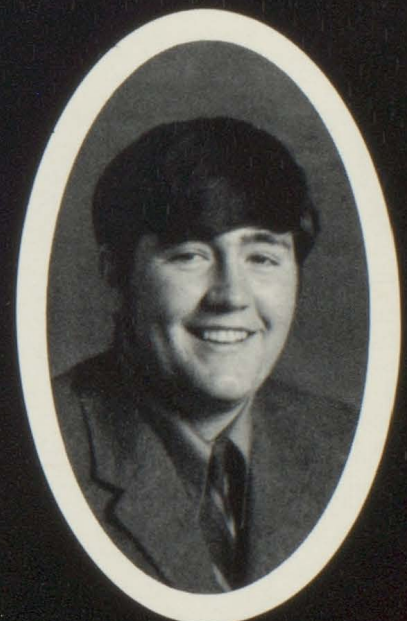
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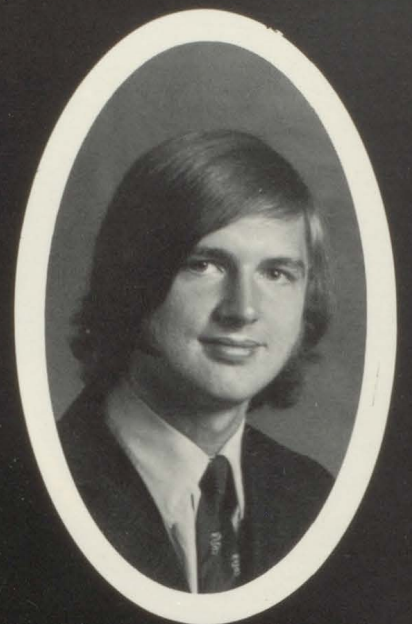
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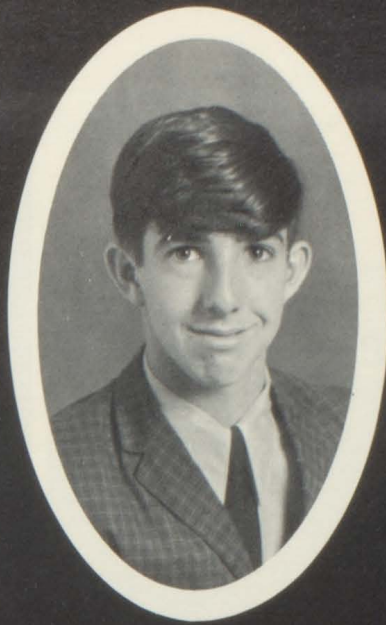
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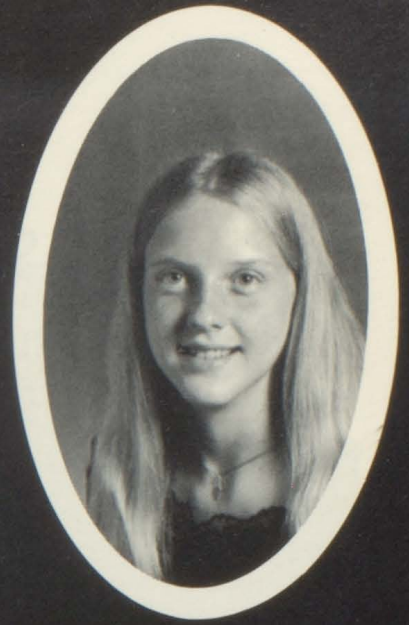
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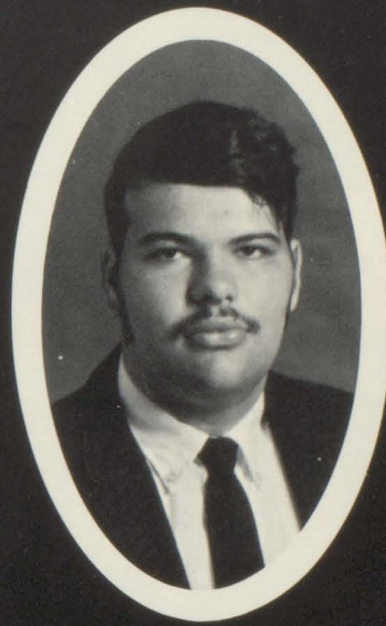
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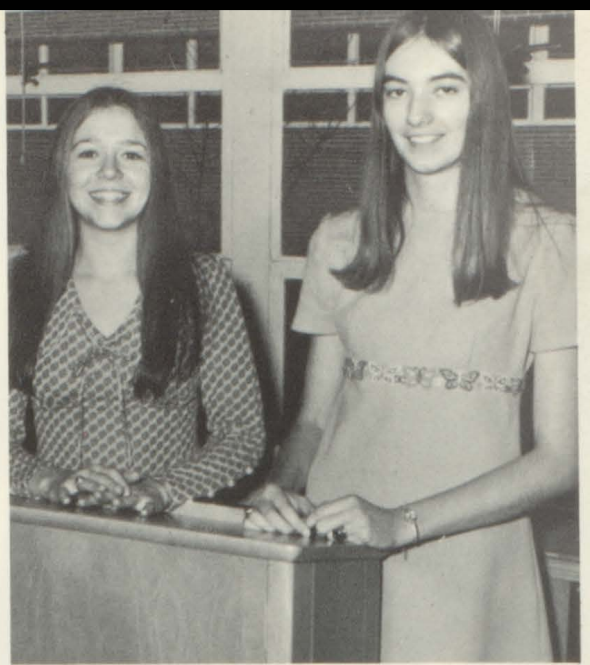
PAMELA GWENN WOLFE

MOTTO
Yesterday We Followed,
Tomorrow We Lead.

COLORS
White and Lavender

FLOWER
Orchid

Senior Superlatives



BEST LEADERS
Sheree Sadler and Carol Smith



BEST FRIENDS
Debbie Conley and Kay Baker



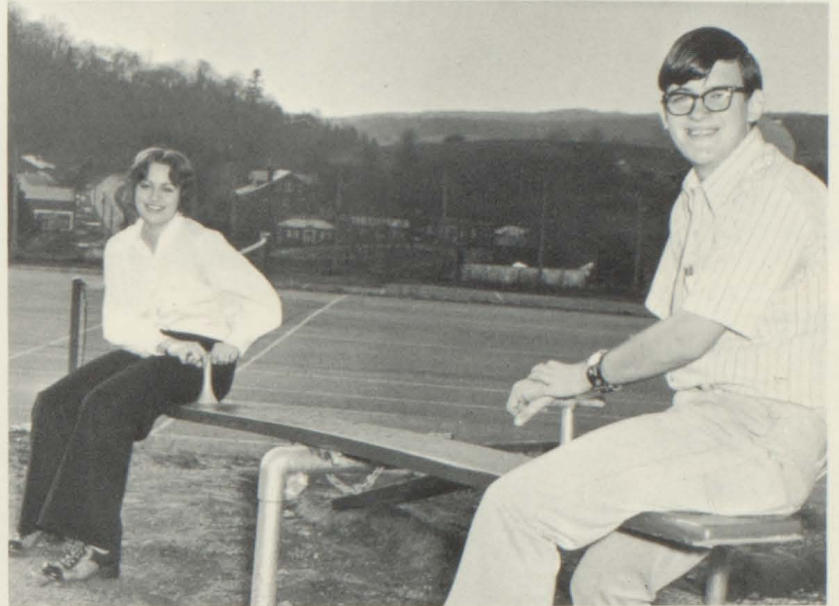
BEST ALL AROUND
Jimmy Baker and Cindy Muncy



MOST ATHLETIC
Stephen Newberry and Pam Smith



MOST TALKATIVE
Frieda Cox and Debbie Atkins



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Sally Tickle, Jeff Baxley

MOST HELPFUL
Sylvia King, Peggy Melvin, Renee Repass



FRIENDLIEST
Sandra Faulkner, Danny Penley



BEST DRESSED
Karen Hall, Randy Hicks



MOST POLITE
Brenda Baker, Hal Gusler



MOST SCHOOL SPIRIT
Leigh Anne Newberry and Anne Dunn



WITTIEST
Buck Songer and Randy Compton



CUTEST
Dave Turner and Pam Wolfe



BEST CRAFTSMEN
Jimmy Kidd and Robert Chewning

QUIETEST
Elizabeth Dillow, Sharon Strock, and Jerry Harden



MOST DRAMATIC
Timmy Tickle and
Patsy Clemons



UNDERCLASSMEN





Officers: (R. TO L.) Ricky Dillow-President, Richard Muncy-Vice President, Debbie Lambert-Secretary-Treasurer, Debbie Dillow-Ring Representative, Arleene Bohara-Song Leader, Barry Hounshell-Chaplain, Mrs. Jessie Kegley, Sponsor, and Mrs. Helen Hardy-Co-Sponsor. Denise Peery-Ring Representative (Not Pictured)

Juniors



Kathy Agee



Bobby Bevil



Vickie Blankenship



Arleene Bohara



Joey Cassell



Bobby Dillow



Debbie Dillow



Denise Dillow



Eddie Dillow



Paula Dillow



Ricky Dillow



Vickie Ellison



Karen Farmer



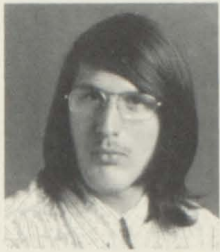
Nancy Hager



Mike Hoffman

What is a great life? It is the dreams
of youth realised in old age. —

Alfred de Vigny



Barry
Hounshell



Donald
Irby



Kay
Looney



Debbie
Lambert



Nancy
Lambert



Garland
King



Judy
King



Nathan
McPeak



Jerry
Meadows



Brenda
Miller



Mark
Muncy



Richard
Muncy



Denise
Peery



Mike
Pauley



Will
Pauley



Cathy
Ramsey



Susan
Reynolds



Jerry
Scott



Joanne
Shupe



Barry
Tickle



Billy
Vanover



Dawna
Whitworth



Robbie
Wright



Karen
Wright



Wayne
Wyrick



Officers: (L. to R.) Mr. Claude Stowers-Sponsor, Linda Kidd-President, Sandra Brunk-Vice-President, Anita Campbell-Secretary, Brenda Dillow-Chaplain, Sharon Goins and Robin Thompson-Songleaders, Tommy Richardson-Treasurer, Tommy Harner-Representative, Miss St. Clair-Co-Sponsor.

Sophomores



Eddie
Asbury



Jane
Baxley



Ricky
Brown



Sandra
Brunk



Mike
Clemons



Anita
Campbell



Terry
Davis

Hand in hand together we stand on the
threshold of a dream.

Graeme Edge



Brenda
Dillow



Louis
Fletcher



Sharon
Goins



Gregory
Green



Rhetta
Hager



Vincent
Groseclose



Liz
Hancock



Johnny
Green



Virginia
Hamblin



Tommy
Harner



Becky
Ingram



Miller
Meadows



Linda
Kidd



Frankie
Newberry



Joyce
Meadows



George
Pauley



Roxanne
Pauley



Thomas
Ramsey



Shelby
Shewey



Robbie
Stuart



Joanne
Stowers



Ray
Shupe



Mary
Tate



Tony
Townley



Robin
Thompson



George
Taylor



Lisa
Umberger



Gary
Walker



Patty
Vanover



Tommy
Richardson



Officers: (L. TO R.) Jerry Smith-President, Larry King-Vice President, Barbara Sadler-Reporter, Dora Umbarger-Treasurer, Patty Looney-Secretary, Mrs. Sandy Tarter-Sponsor.

Freshmen



Ricky
Anders



Carolyn
Banes



Mac
Bogle



Mary
Dillow



Loyd
Breedlove



Danny
Bridges



Peggy
Ellison



Darrell
Burton



Prissy
Ellison



Dale
Clark



Wanda
Hicks



John
Clemons



Emily
King



Bobby
Foglesong



Debra
Lester



William
Green



Patty
Looney



Lewis
Gusler



Frances
Melvin



Raymond
Hardin



Sarah
Miller



Larry
King



Lynda
Muncy



David
Morehead



Charlotte
Morehead



Ray
Puckett



Jackie
Mustard



Billy
Ramsey



Jeana Rhyee
Neal



Tommy
Repass



Dotty
Nelson



Bobby
Sadler



Shelia
Richarson



Dean
Saunders



Barbara
Sadler



Jerry
Smith



Debra
Simpkins



Jimmy
Tate



Tammy
Strock



Doug
Wolfe



Vickie
Umbarger



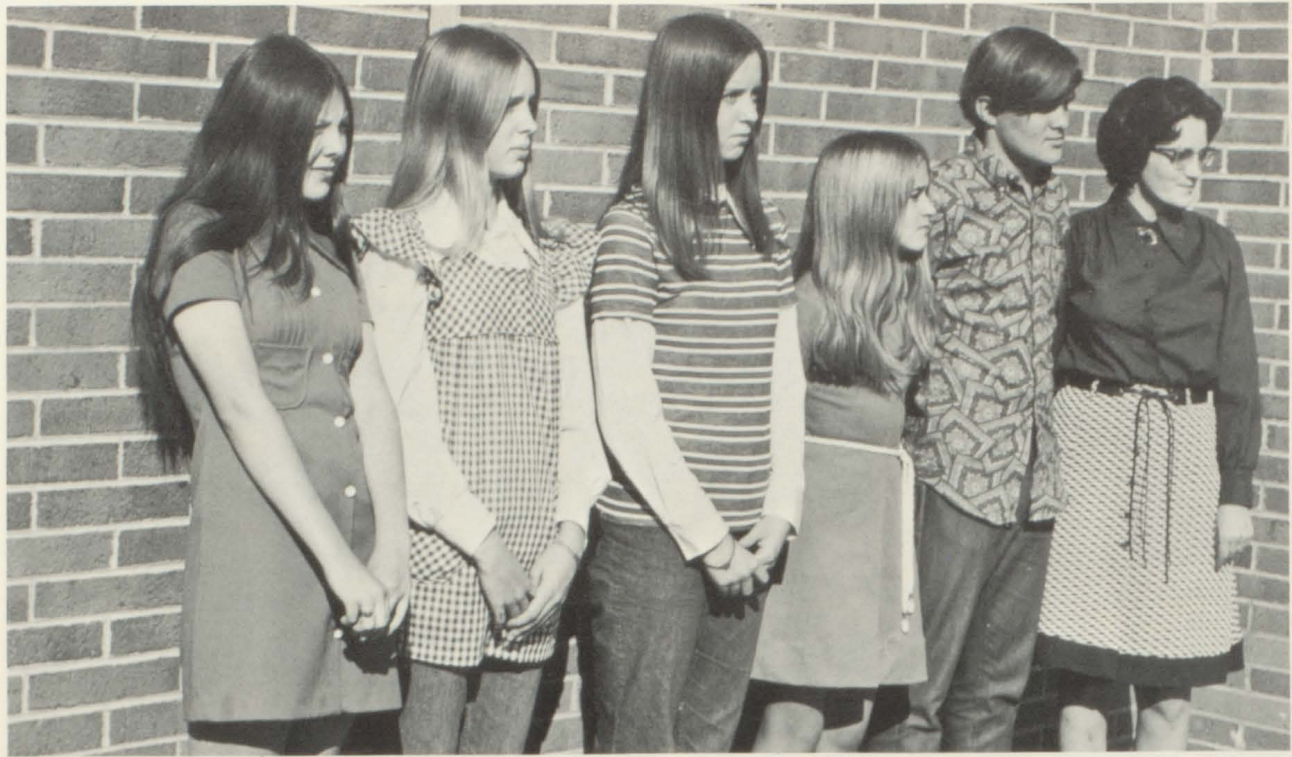
Kenny
Wright



Dora
Umbarger



Mack
Wolfe



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Eighth Grade



Brenda
Barger



Everette
Brunk



Janet
Blankenship



Mike
Brunk



Barbara
Dillow



Clifford
Chewning



Debbie
Dillow



Jerry
Chewning



Marsha
Groseclose



Mike
Dillow



Page
Hancock



Todd
Fulford



Connie
Harris



Ronnie
Hamblin



Susan
Hayton



Timmy
Harner



Rhonda
Hayton



Matthew
King



Becky
Hoge



Fred
McHone



Kathy
Hounshell



Jerry
Miller



Brenda
Meadows



Larry
Muncy



Becky
Munsey



Jeff
Pauley



Alma
Mutter



G.H.
Peery III



Edna
Neal



Steve
Scott



Debbie
Newberry



Jimmy
Sparks



Rita
Simmons



Joe
Stiltner



Connie
Smith



Junior
Stowers



Judi
Stuart



Butchie
Tabor



Pam
Tibbs



Joey
Tickle



Ruth Ann
Turner



Donald
Wilson



Rebecca
White



David
Wright



Laura
Wright



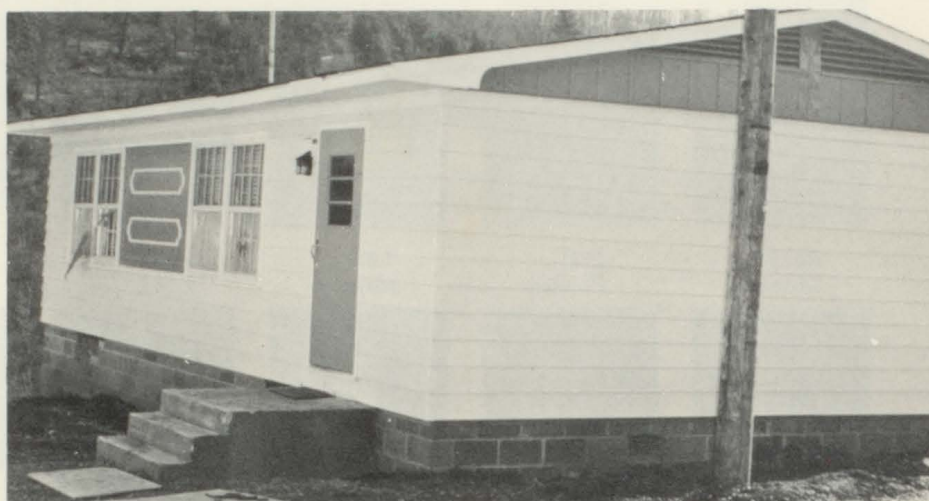
Bernie
West



New Additions to B.H.S.

This year BHS is fortunate to have Mrs. Margaret Miller as a bus driver. She is the only woman bus driver at Bland High School.

To the grounds of Bland High School have been added two mobile school units. These are to be used to relieve the overcrowded classrooms.



Five new teachers have joined the teaching staff at Bland High. They are Mrs. Norma Newberry, Mrs. Elizabeth Newberry, Miss Mary K. Wright, Mrs. Sandy Tarter, and Miss Susan St. Clair. BHS is proud of the addition to its staff.



GRADES



Mrs. Marie Groseclose's 7th Grade

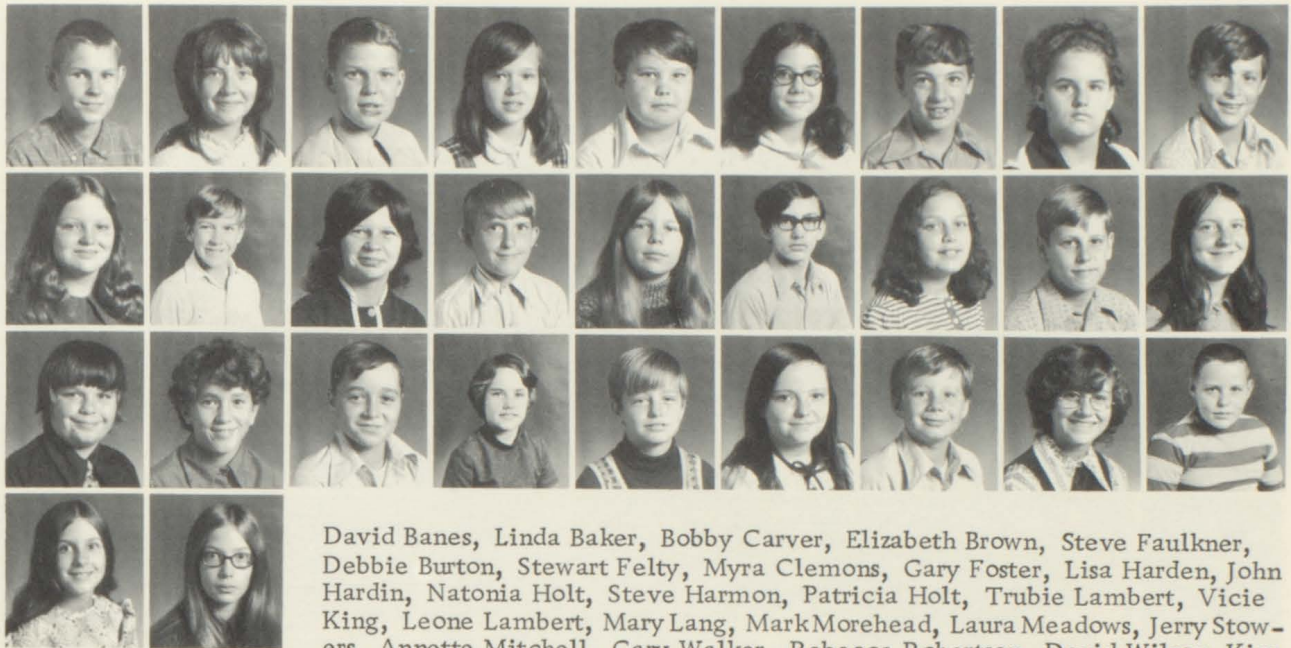


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Mrs. Jacqueline Barlow's Sixth Grade



David Banes, Linda Baker, Bobby Carver, Elizabeth Brown, Steve Faulkner, Debbie Burton, Stewart Felty, Myra Clemons, Gary Foster, Lisa Harden, John Hardin, Natonia Holt, Steve Harmon, Patricia Holt, Trubie Lambert, Vicie King, Leone Lambert, Mary Lang, Mark Morehead, Laura Meadows, Jerry Stowers, Annette Mitchell, Gary Walker, Rebecca Robertson, David Wilson, Kim Smith, Mike Woolwine, Karen Stockner, Denise Turner.

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Mrs. Norma Newberry's 5th Grade



Tim Anders, Darlene Banes, John Atwell, Mary Bowen, Tim Baxley, Patty Chewning, Chuck Chandler, Charlene Clemons, Craig Hamilton, Ila Conley, Jim Harmon, Geraldine Faulkner, Jay Hoge, Andrea Gordon, Kelly Kent, Michelle Gravely, Bobby Lambert, Terri Harden, Jim Miller, Betty Parker, Theron Newberry, Kathryn Wiley, Joey Pauley, Carla Wolfe, Tim Richardson, Ricky Shrader, Joe Simmons, Mike Thompson.

Mrs. Louise Bird's 4th Grade



Joey Bane, Pamela Clemons, Charlie Brown, Angela Dillow, Joey Crockett, Rhonda Ellison, Todd Hoge, Karen Harden, Mark King, Susan Kegley, Richard McKinney, Ginger Kent, John Muncy, Dreana McPeak, Mark Mustard, Connie Millirons, Allen Mustard, Roberta Morehead, Scott Mustard, Lucy Muncy, Mike Neeley, Colene Munsey, Jerri Owens, Cecil Nelson, Lisa Pruitt, Marilyn Penley, Donald Pauley, Mary Lynn Pruett, Rita Pruitt, David Simmons, Becky Robinson, Randy Strock, Debra Tickle, Tony Taylor, Howard Walker, Teresa Talbert, Kim Townley, Letha Walker, Shirley Wolfe, Michelle Woolwine.

Mrs. June Miller's 3rd Grade



Ricky Baker, Deborah Atwell, Darrell Banes, Sheila Carroll, Robert Bane, Laura Chandler, Larry Bowles, Sheri Chewning, Paul Dillow, Geneva Clark, Norman Dillow, Crystal Clemons, Carl Felty, Mary Clemons, Tracy Hylton, Sharon Conley, Bobby King, Laura Gordon, Jamie Morehead, Karen Hounshell, Jerry Mutter, Rebecca Lambert, Danny Newberry, Marquis Newberry, Pamela Melvin, Larry Newberry, Mark Newberry, Joy Miller, Todd Parker, Jerry Pauley, Dawn Newberry, Ward Pauley, Jonathan Sarver, Tammy Smelser, Robert Stockner, Thomas Stowers, Edwina Stowers, Dave Thomas, Vanessa Tabor, William Talbert, Sheri Tolbert.

Mrs. Lorine Wagner's 2nd Grade



Charles Bane, Marsha Agee, Edward Baxley, Jane Banes, Tommy Clark, Lynn Banes, Thomas Dillow, Karen Chandler, Gary Felty, Teresa Christian, Bobby Gordon, Teresa Chewning, Sammy King, Kathy Foster, Chuckie McKinney, Tammy Gravely, Joey Newberry, Camilla Kent, Harvey Pruitt, Kimberly Kidd, Todd Taylor, Valeria Lambert, Lonnie Thomas, Rebecca McPeak, Mark Woolwine, Leola Neal, Sharon Simmons, Renee Thompson, Tracey Walker.

Miss Elizabeth Neal's 1st Grade



Stephen Cox, Sonja Asbury, Ronald Dillow, Sandra Bane, Eric Ellison, Deborah Belcher, Geoffrey Fanning, Denise Clemons, David Harden, Donna Dalton, Brian Mustard, Linda Ellison, Richard Pruitt, Catherine Irby, Michael Smelser, Rita Lambert, Marshall McPeak, Catherine Morehead, Paula Mustard, Sarah Pruitt, Deborah Simmons, Sue Smith, Anita Stowers, Donna Strock.

Miss Kathleen Wright's 1st Grade



Lonnie Clemons, Gregory Davis, Connie Christian, John Dillow, Allen Freeman, Melba Clemons, Matthew Harman, Richard Kent, Annette King, Michael Melvin, Gary Mustard, Vanessa McKinney, Terry Mustard, Larry Mutter, Jeanetta Mallory, Wendell Parker, Ervin Sparks, Persila Patterson, Dennis Taylor.

Mrs. Katherine Reynold's Kindergarten



Sarah Bunyan, Everette Baxley, Dreama Cox, Steve Chandler, Norma Harden, Jeff Cox, Joanne Matz, Glenn Davis, Michelle Morris, Kelly Davis, Lori Neel, Marcella Newberry, Timmy Davis, Frances Madison, Joe DeWilde, Teresa Richardson, Kathryn Richardson, Mitch Munsey, Patty Smith, Charles Turner, Lucy Taylor, Richard Turner, Debbie Warden, Tammy Wolfe, Lisa Waddle, Steven Ford, Rebecca Umbarger.



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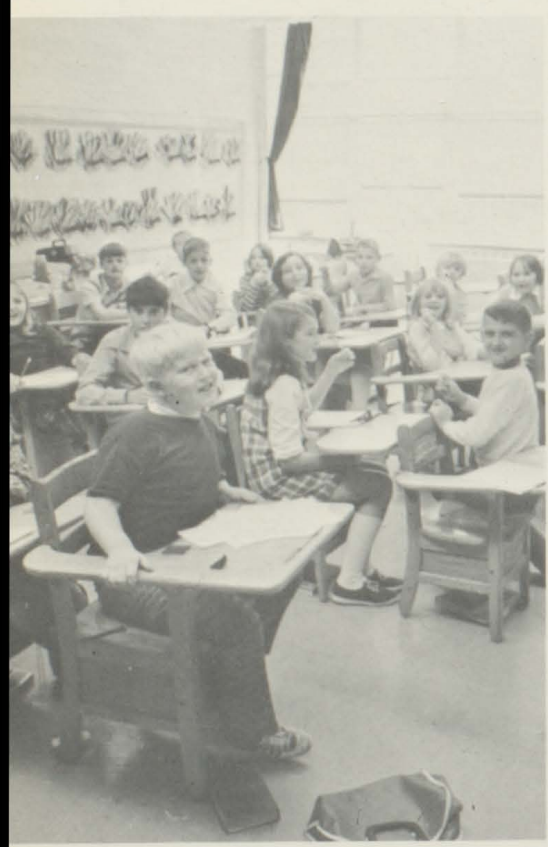


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Grades

Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future.
John Kennedy





ORGANIZATIONS



SCA Council

This year the SCA sent representatives to a School Board meeting to ask for a Pep Club and examination exemption. The Board voted that BHS could have a Pep Club and that students with a 88 or above average could be exempt from final exams.

Mr. Roger Thompson-Sponsor
Sheree Sadler-President



Officers: (L. to R.) Sheree Sadler, President, Mark Muncy, Vice President, Pam Smith, Secretary, Leigh Anne Newberry, Treasurer, Anne Dunn, Reporter, Pam Wolfe, Chaplain, Sally Tickle, Sergeant at Arms, Tim Tickle, Sergeant at Arms, and Mr. Roger Thompson.



FIRST ROW: (L. to R.) Larry King, Linda Kidd, Patty Looney, Pam Wolfe, Randy Hicks, Sharon Goins, Tim Tickle, Debbie Conley, Mark Muncy, and Sally Tickle. 2nd ROW: Carol Smith, Karen Farmer, Debbie Newberry, Sheree Sadler, Pam Smith, Cindy Muncy, Anne Dunn, Leigh Anne Newberry, Richard Muncy, and Mr. Roger Thompson.



B. H. S. Beta Club



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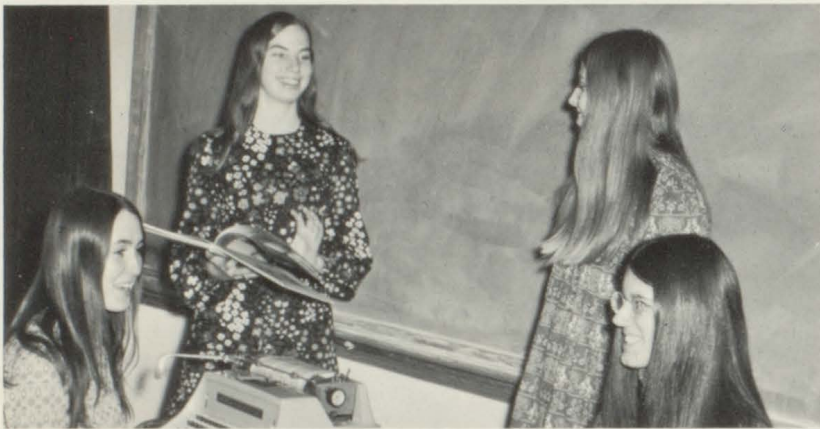
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Sally Tickle, Editor



EDITORIAL STAFF: Sally Tickle, Helen P. Hardy, Sponsor, Cindy Muncy, Sheree Sadler.

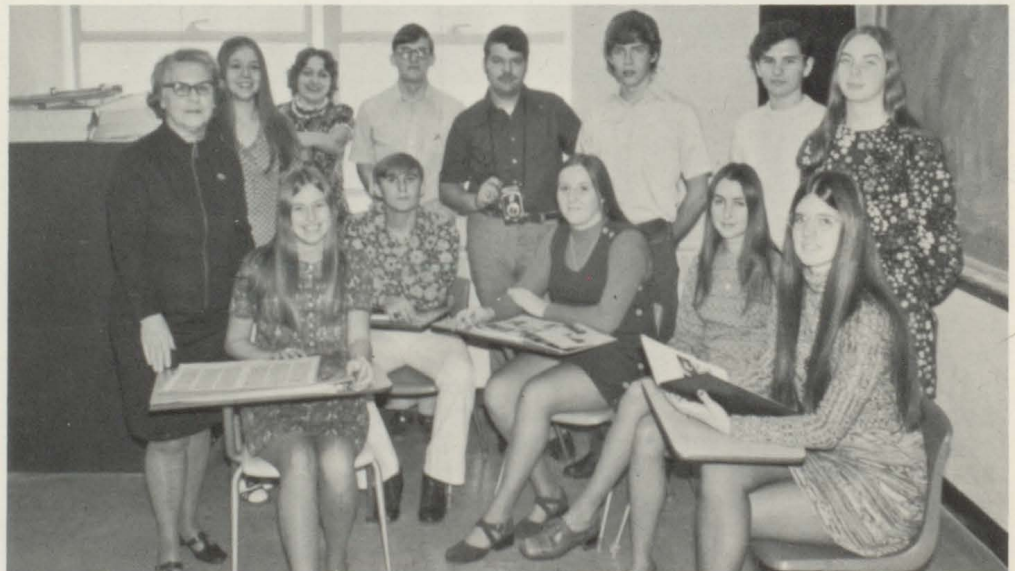


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Anne Dunn, Business Manager

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2nd Runner up-Sandra Morehead, Miss Bland County-Debbie Shockley, 1st Runner up-Arleene Bohara



Little Miss Bland County - Becky McPeak



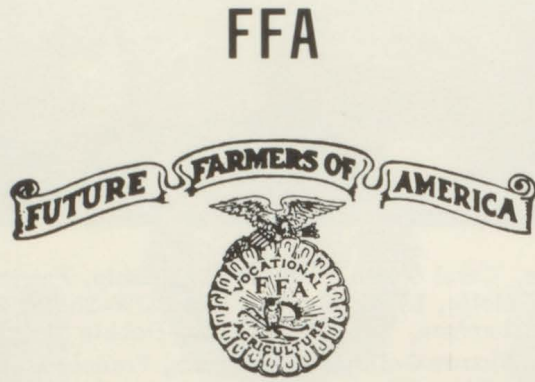
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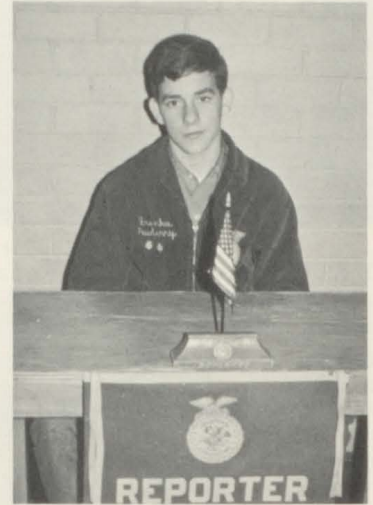
Richard Muncy



Tommy Richardson



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Terry Davis



Buck Songer



Garland King

Future Farmers of America



1ST ROW (L. TO R.) Garland King, Buck Songer, Jimmy Kidd, Richard Muncy, Tommy Richardson, Terry Davis, David Morehead. 2ND-Mr. King, Loyd Breedlove, John Clemons, Donald Irby, Larry King, George Pauley, Bobby Foglesong, Eddie Asbury, Billy Ramsey, Kenny Wright, Raymond Harden. 3RD ROW-Louis Fletcher, Darrell Burton, Bobby Sadler, Billy Vanover, Jimmy Tate, Mac Bogle, George Taylor, Danny Bridges, Will Pauley, Clifford Chewning, 4TH ROW-Frankie Newberry, Dean Saunders, David Wright, David Turner, Stephen Newberry, Jerry Harden, Bobby Dillow, Miller Meadows, Everette Brunk, Jimmy Sparks, 5TH ROW-Mike Pauley, Ray Puckett, Tommy Harner, Robbie Wright, Tony Townley, Danny Penley, Nathan Mc-Peak, Wayne Wyrick, Douglas Wolfe, Ronnie Hamblin, Tommy Ramsey, Robert Chewning.



Mr. A.J. King
Adviser



Le Cercle de Francais

OFFICERS: Leigh Anne Newberry-President, Robin Thompson-Vice President, Karen Hall-Secretary, Mrs. Hardy-Sponsor, Liz Hancock-Treasurer, JoAnne Stowers-Reporter, Sarah Miller-Chaplain, Denise Peery-Songleader.

The French Club gave the students an insight into the culture of France by having a Christmas Party and serving a yule log, La Buche de Noel.

At the "Miss Echo" Day assembly the French Club sang "Dominique" and during the SCA Christmas assembly they sang "Un flambeau, Jeannette, Isabelle."



THIRD YEAR STUDENTS-Leigh Anne Newberry, Denise Peery, Liz Hancock, Mrs. Hardy-Sponsor.



SECOND YEAR STUDENTS-1ST ROW-Mark Muncy, Brenda Miller, Sheree Sadler, Pam Wolfe, Randy Compton, 2ND ROW-Joey Cassell, Jerry Scott, Anne Dunn, Cindy Muncy, Mike Pauley, Jimmy Baker, Sally Tickle.

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS-1ST ROW-Sarah Miller, Dottie Nelson, Robin Thompson, Ricky Anders, Brenda Dillow. 2ND ROW-Vincent Groseclose, JoAnne Stowers, Karen Hall.





Miss Susan St. Clair

Chorus

The BHS choir, although rather young, has been quite active this year. Under the direction of Miss Susan St. Clair, the chorus has performed for the PTA, for Miss Echo Day, for the Christmas Program and for the first time they went Christmas caroling during the Christmas season.



ROW ONE-Mary Tate, Sandra Brunk, Robin Thompson, Joann Stowers, Lisa Umberger, Brenda Dillow.
 ROW TWO-Miss St. Clair, Judy King, Debbie Conley, Kay Baker, Anita Campbell, Kay Looney, Johnny Green, Barry Dillow. ROW THREE-Carol Cregar, Virginia Hamblin, Mary Dillow, Patsy Clemons, Sandra Faulkner, Paula Dillow, Linda Kidd.



DOUBLE BAR STUDENTS:
Jeff Baxley and Carol Smith

Honor Students

Each year those students attaining a 95 or above average for the year are awarded an honor letter or bar. Those students who have received these awards should be commended for their hard work.

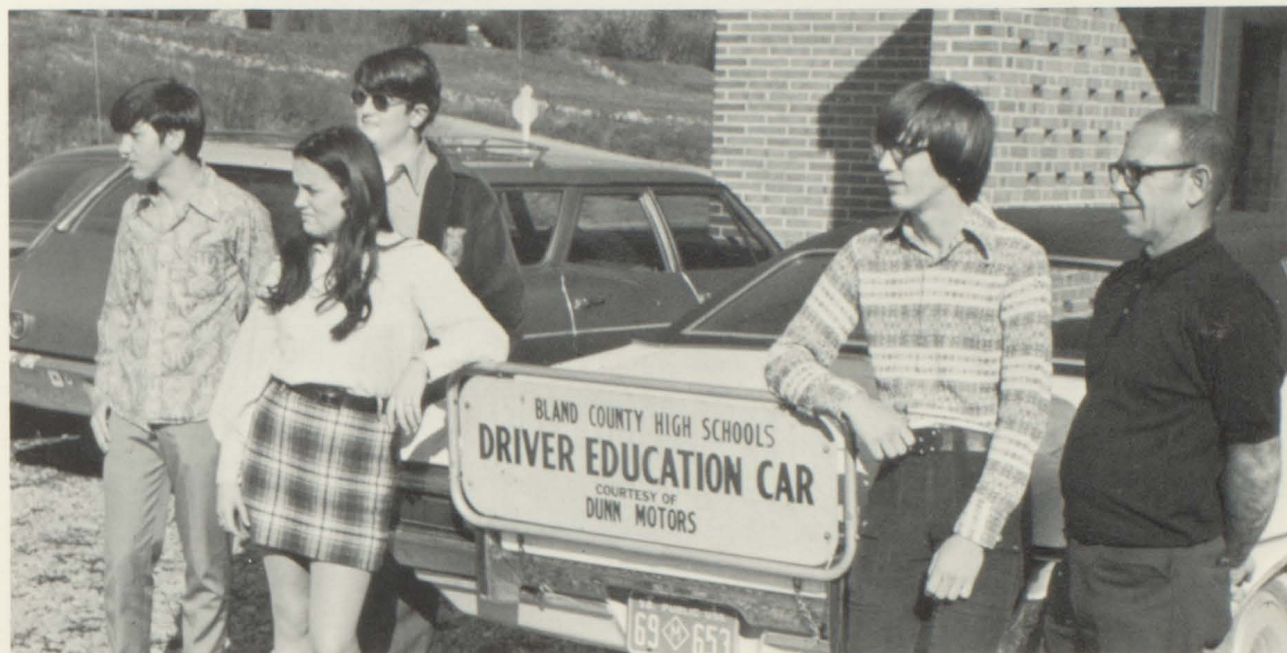


SINGLE BAR STUDENTS:
Debbie Dillow, Susan Reynolds, Denise Peery, Hal Gusler, Ricky Dillow, Jimmy Baker, Anne Dunn, and Sally Tickle.



LETTER STUDENTS:
Nancy Lambert, Pam Smith, Renee Repass, Joanne Stowers, Sheree Sadler, Robin Thompson, and Pam Wolfe.

Those Who Represent Us



Gary Walker, Darrell Burton, Denise Peery and Vincent Groseclose were taught all the skills of driving by instructor Samuel Groseclose.



Denise Dillow, Jimmy Baker, and Brenda Miller represented us at VPI in the Upward Bound program last summer.



Pam Wolfe, and Jeff Baxley were selected for the 1972-73 DAR award.

Dramatics



(L. to R.)Mrs. Tarter-Director, Jerry Harden, Randy Compton, Danny Penley, Robert Chewning, Patsy Clemons, Debbie Atkins, Karen Hall, Freida Cox, Timmy Tickle, Randy Hicks, Jimmy Kidd, and Buck Songer.



This year the Dramatics class has been very active. They performed for Miss Echo Day and at the SCA Christmas program.

Mrs. Tarter instructs Sarah Miller and Tim Tickle.

The Dramatics students practice for one of their performances.



Student Workers



Flag Girls - Sally Tickle and Pam Smith.



NYC Workers-Barry Hounshell, Pam Wolfe, Sylvia King, Elizabeth Dillow, Carol Cregar.



Office Workers - Cindy Muncy, Sally Tickle, Stephen Newberry, Pam Smith, Jimmy Baker, Ricky Dillow, Danny Penley, Debbie Atkins, Freida Cox, Pam Wolfe.



Cafeteria Workers - 1st ROW-Steve Harmon, Patricia Holt, Mary Lang, Toni Holt, Carol Cregar, David Wilson, 2nd ROW-Eddie Asbury, Terry Davis, Tommy Richardson, Barry Hounshell, Virginia Hamblin, Sandra Brunk, Sharon Goins, Jane Baxley.

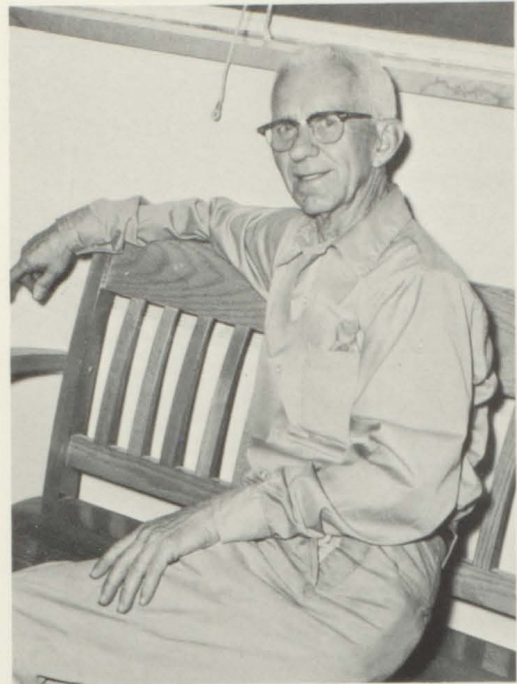
Personnel



CAFETERIA PERSONNEL - Nell Gordon, Pauline Thomas, Manager; Margie Songer, Jan Harner (picture not shown)



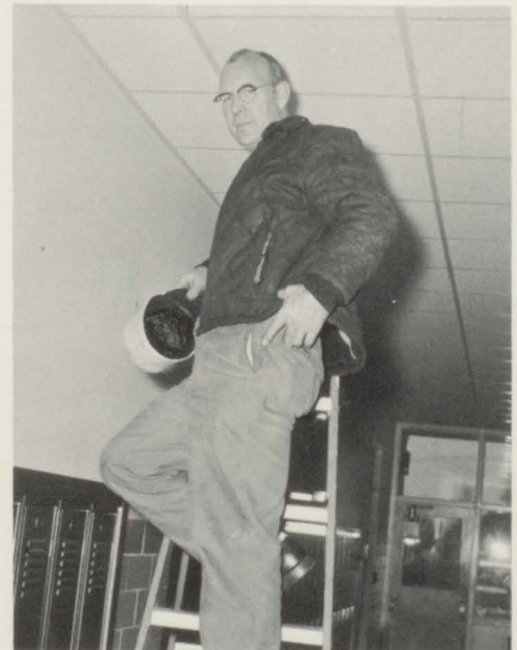
BUS DRIVERS - seated, Albert Mustard, Jr., Wallace Warner, Jim Corder. Standing - Danny Penley, Marvin Caldwell, Paul Harden, Curtis Stowers, and Mrs. Margret P. Miller



CUSTODIAN - Bob Andy Dillow



CUSTODIAN - Roby Cregar, Jr.



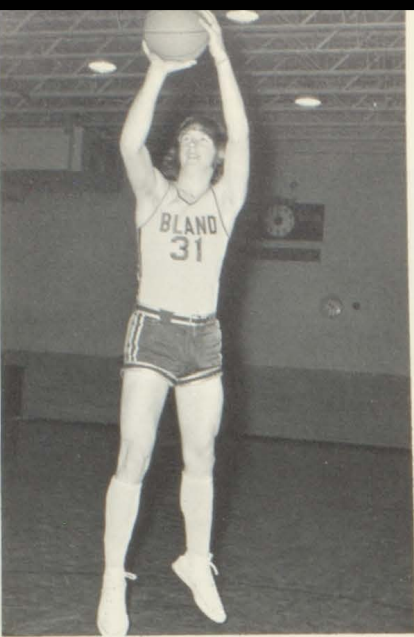
MAINTENANCE - Buford Tiller



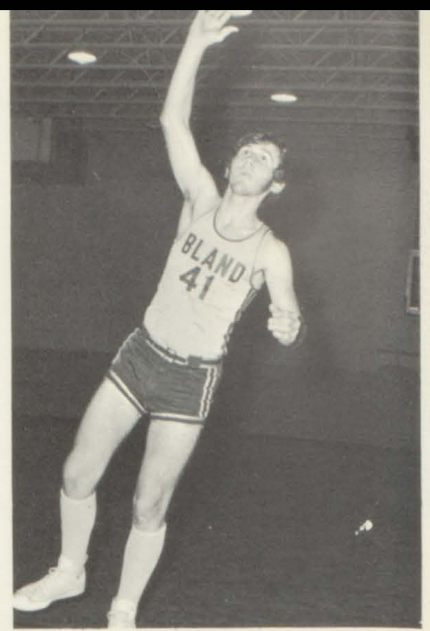
ATHLETICS



BHS Rockets 1973



Stephen Newberry
3 years
Center



Robert Chewning
2 years
Center



Randy Compton
2 years
Guard



(L. to R.) Will Pauley, Robbie Wright, Ricky Dillow, Richard Muncy, Robert Chewning, Jerry Smith, Stephen Newberry, Nathan McPeak, Mike Pauley, Eddie Dillow, Mike Clemons, and Randy Compton. Kneeling - Mr. Samuel Groseclose, Coach.



Pam Smith
3 years
Center

BHS Rockettes 1973



Cindy Muncy
3 years
Forward



1st ROW-Pam Smith, Sandra Faulkner, Cindy Muncy, Susan Reynolds, Sally Tickle. 2nd ROW-Pam Wolfe, Vickie Blankenship, Debbie Lambert, Dawna Whitworth, Karen Wright, Debbie Dillow, Judy King, Brenda Miller, Samuel Groseclose, Coach.



Sally Tickle
3 years
Forward



Sandra Faulkner
2 years
Guard



Pam Wolfe
1 year
Forward

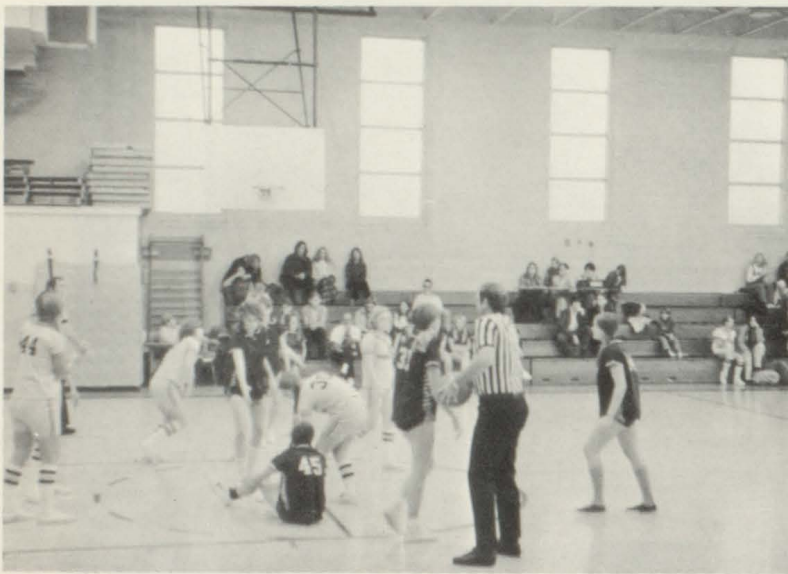
Bland Rockettes and



Rockets prepare for battle.



Will Pauley rushes to recover the ball.



Rockette action interrupted by a violation.



Jerry Smith goes up for two.



Stephen Newberry drives to the goal.

Rockets in Action.



Connie Smith shoots for one point.



A little higher Stephen!



Randy Compton on the attack.



Rockettes score a victory over Fort Chiswell.

B. H. S. Junior Varsity



KNEELING: Mac Bogle, Tommy Harner, Snuffy Green, Lloyd Breedlove, Jimmy Tate. STANDING: Coach Grose-close, Larry King, Ray Puckett, Frankie Newberry, Dean Saunders, George Pauley, George Taylor.

B. H. S. Eighth Grade Team



For the first year, an eighth grade team was formed at B.H. S. The team is coached by Richard Havens, a former star of the Rockets. Members of the team are: FIRST ROW-Steve Scott, Todd Fulford, Matthew King, Timmy Harner, Junior Stowers. SECOND ROW-Jerry Miller, G.H. Peery, Jerry Chewning, Clifford Chewning, Larry Muncy. THIRD ROW-Coach Havens, Joey Tickle, Ronnie Hamblin, Joe Stiltner, Mike Brunk, Jimmy Sparks.

B. H. S. Junior Varsity



LEFT to RIGHT: Debbie Newberry, Connie Smith, Ruth Anne Turner, Robin Thompson, Joanne Stowers, Lisa Umberger, Mary Tate, Linda Muncy, Sarah Miller, Becky Muncy, Kathy Hounshell, Jackie Mustard, Brenda Meadows, and Coach Groseclose.

Coach's Assistants



LEFT to RIGHT: Managers - Tommy Richardson, Johnny Green, and Jerry Scott. Scorekeeper - Denise Peery.

Homecoming and Classical Vantage



Homecoming '73 turned out to be a huge success, although Bland Rockets were not capable of overpowering the Rocky Gap Eagles. Queen Sheree Sadler reigned over the dance. The Classical Vantage proved to be highly entertaining.

Homecoming Queen Sheree Sadler escorted by Stephen Newberry.



Homecoming Court-Arleene Bohara, Junior; Pam Smith, Senior; Anita Campbell, Sophomore; Sheree Sadler, Queen; Patty Looney, Freshmen; Ruth Ann Turner, Eighth grade.



Classical Vantage performs.

The dance was a huge success.



Bland vs Rocky Gap



Team discusses game strategy.

Bland Rockets

	FG	FT	F	TP
Newberry, S.	8	1	6	17
Compton, R.	2	0	0	4
Dillow, R.	5	1	4	11
Dillow, E.	3	6	6	12
Smith, J.	8	2	2	18
	<u>26</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>62</u>

Rocky Gap Eagles

	FG	FT	F	TP
Dykes, J.	6	7	8	19
Musick, T.	7	1	4	15
Havens, P.	6	2	7	14
St. John, L.	8	2	7	18
Wyrick, D.	0	2	2	2
Payne, M.	1	0	0	2
	<u>28</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>70</u>



Bland Rockets in action.



Enthusiastic Cheerleaders help.

The final buzzer and Bland loses.





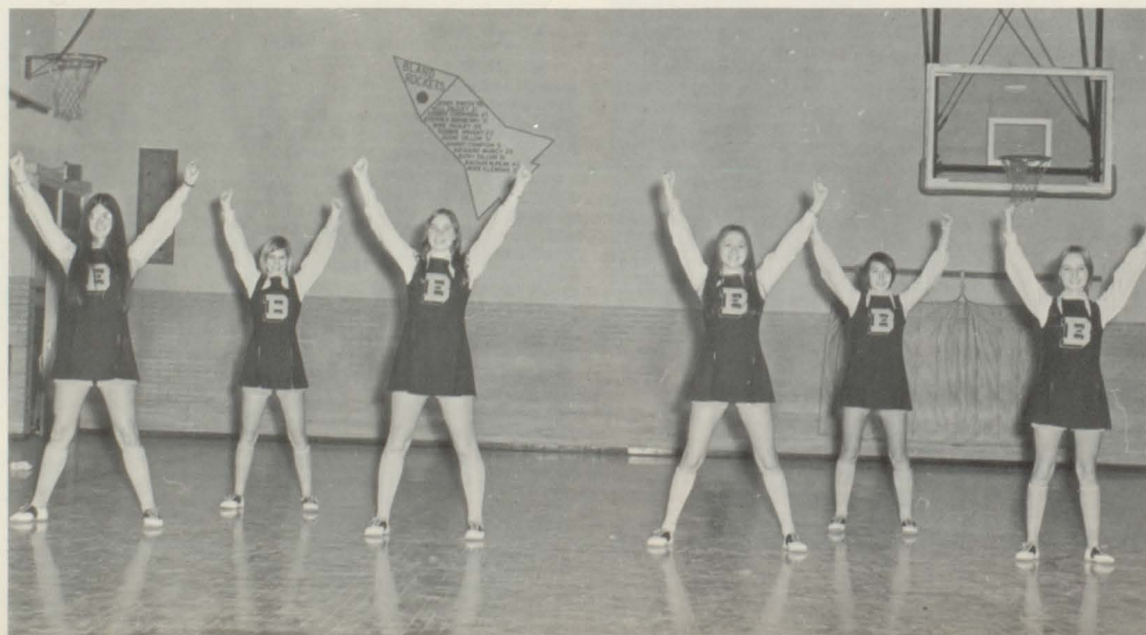
Bland Cheerleaders



Anne Leigh Dunn
Captain; 4 years



Leigh Anne Newberry
Captain; 4 years



With a step that is steady and strong,
 Old Bland High marches along.
 True to the colors we wear, to maroon
 and gold so fair.
 United in true fellowship.
 That the days and the years may not
 sever.
 To you we will always be true, to
 Bland High, to Bland High forever.



Victoria Dawn Ellison
 2 years



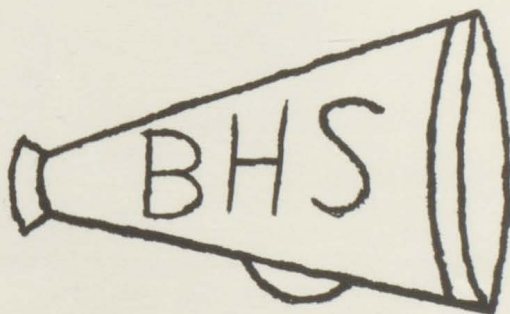
Linda Sue Kidd
 2 years



Sheree Dawn Sadler
 Captain; 4 years



Janet Arleene Bohara
 2 years



Chess Club



(L. to R.) President-Mark Muncy; Rules Chairman-Jeff Baxley; Correspondence Secretary-Randy Hicks; Secretary-Lewis Gusler.

The Chess Club is a newly-formed organization in Bland High School which developed this year due to the increased popularity of chess after the Fischer - Spassky championship match in the summer of 1972.



1st ROW (L. TO R.) Lewis Gusler, Randy Hicks, Mark Muncy, Jeffrey Baxley. 2nd ROW-Dottie Nelson, Sharon Goins, Sandy Brunk, Timmy Tickle, Judi Stuart, Lisa Umberger. 3rd ROW-Hal Gusler, John Clemons, Ricky Anders, Joey Cassell, Junior Stowers, Jane Baxley, Garland King. 4th ROW-Robbie Stuart, Barry Tickle, Mike Hoffman, Donald Irby, Mike Pauley, Jeff Pauley, Larry King. 5th ROW-Louis Fletcher, Darrell Burton, Frankie Newberry, Ray Puckett, Dean Saunders, Bobby Sadler.

Memorable Events

There were many events in the years of 1972 and 1973 which have affected our lives greatly.

On the national level the year was full of turmoil and tragedy. Democratic primary candidate George Wallace was shot in Laurel, Maryland, on May 15, 1972, by Arthur Bremer. This assured the selection of George McGovern as the Democratic candidate for President. The election of November saw incumbent Richard Nixon defeating George McGovern by a large majority.

The Olympics which were held in Munich are usually enjoyed by the world. This year they turned out to be a dark nightmare. Eleven Israeli athletes were brutally killed after being held for 23 hours by their eight Arab captors. The Olympics had its lighter side. Mark Spitz won seven gold medals for the United States, and fifteen year old Janet Lynn won the bronze medal in the figure skating division.

The last moon mission, Apollo 17, left for the moon on December 7, 1972. Aboard were Ronald Evans, Harrison Schmitt, and Eugene Cernan. They returned to the earth on December 18, 1972, having had a successful voyage.

A tragic earthquake hit Managua, Nicaragua on December 23, 1972, disrupting the city and killing many of its inhabitants. Roberto Clemente was killed when the plane on which he was a passenger crashed. He was on his way to Managua with relief supplies for the victims.

Director of the FBI, J. Edgar Hoover, died on May 2, 1972, and President Nixon named L. Patrick Grey to replace him.

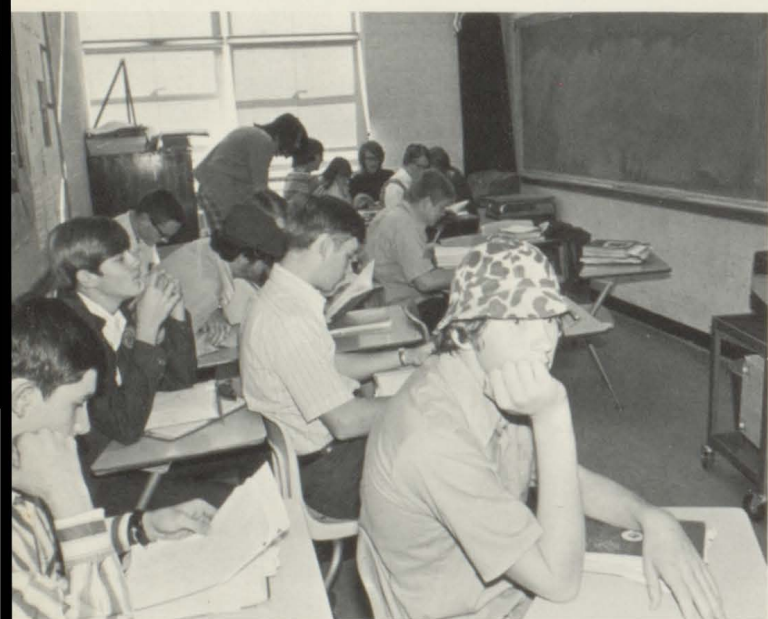
Bobby Fischer defeated Boris Spassky 21 games out of 24 to secure the World Chess Championship. The games were played in Reykjavik, Iceland. Fischer is the first American to hold this title.

The Oakland Athletics won the World Series by overcoming the Cincinnati Reds. The Miami Dolphins defeated the Washington Redskins and attained the title of Super Bowl Champions.

On December 26, 1972, former President Harry S. Truman died. Less than a month later former President Lyndon B. Johnson, died on January 22, 1973. At the present time there are no past Presidents living.

In a message to the United States on January 23, 1973, President Nixon announced that the peace treaty would be signed on January 27, 1973, ending the war in Vietnam and releasing the prisoners of war within sixty days.

This year has seen many changes, some for the good and some not yet realized as to the effect they will have on the future of the world. In years to come we will look back on our senior year and recognize the significance of these events in our lives.

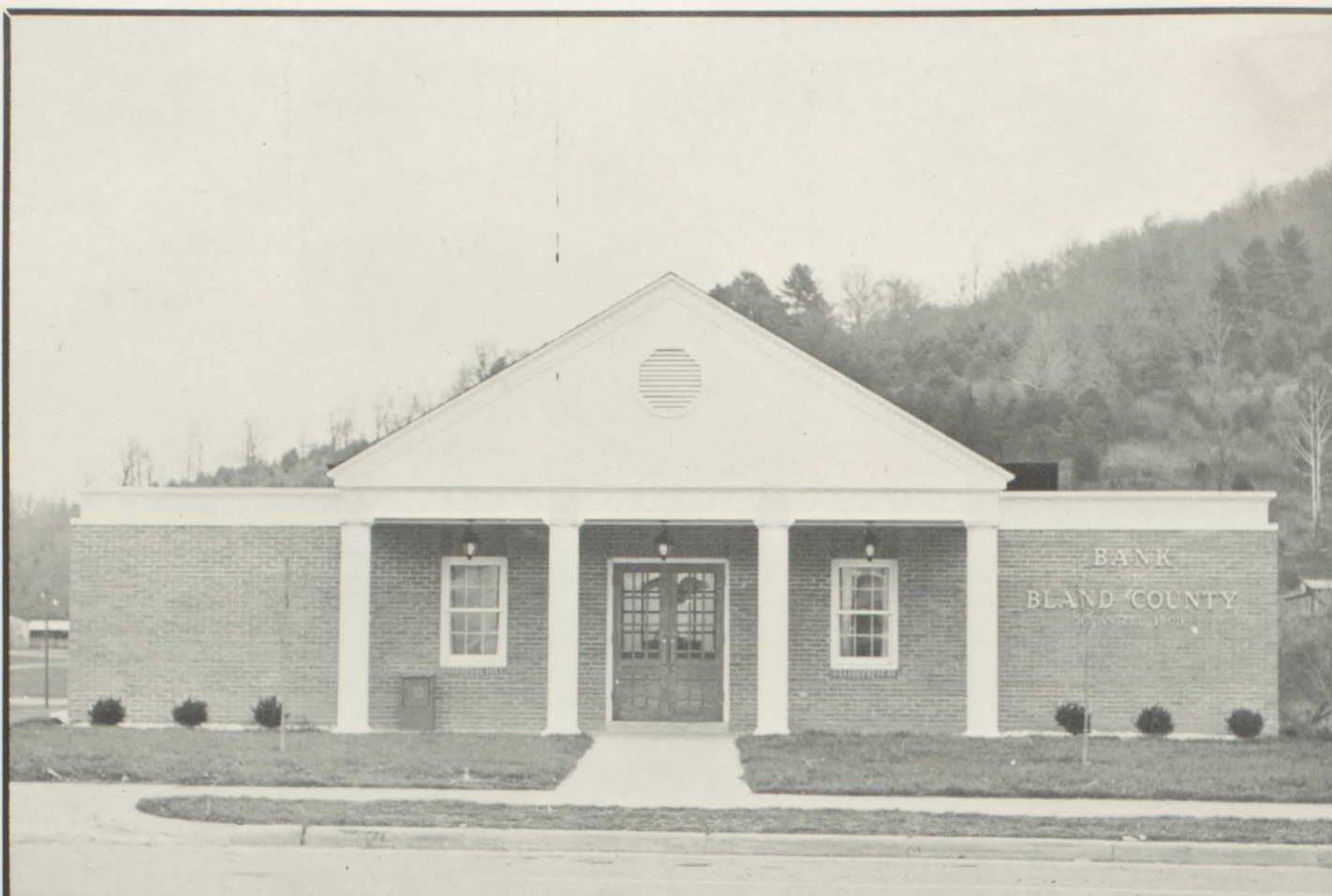


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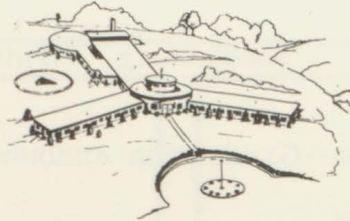
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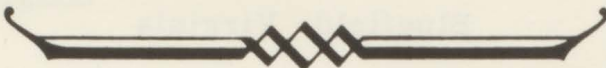
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