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## "THE DAWNING OF A NEW ERA"



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Today
So here hath been dawning
Another blue day:
Think, wilt thou let it Slip useless away.

Out of eternity
This new day is born:
Into eternity,
At night, will return.




Principal - Mr. Jack G. Kaylor


Assistant Principal - Mr. James Sink


## BLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

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"Naw, I'll just sit here."

"Mr. Sink, I'm a busy semi-gifted Senior with better things to do - so I'm only gonna explain this once more!"

"Hold the note THIS long."

"I can also teach and drive without looking."

"Please! Times are hard - I can get a nickel for this bottle


No, Clint, MR. BIRD is your English teacher this year."

"Maybe my driving students 'll see this and keep in the right lane this good


Learning to do, doing to learn



Ron Blankenship
$\square$
Steve DeAtley


Sarah Fugate


Debbie Hall


Herschel Blessing


Angie Dillow


Lori Gibson


Rita Hankins


John Blessing
Tony Brizendine


## Carolyn Freeman



Tina Green


Jerri Harman

Randy Carter


Jill French


Ray Hagan


Debra Havens


Ronald Charles
Blankenship
Pee Wee"

Steven Edward DeAtley
"Catman"
Clubs: FFA.

Sarah Lynn Fugate

Debra Jean Hall
"Debbie"

Herschel Pierce Blessing
"Herschel"
Awards: Who's Who, I Dare You, DAR.
Clubs: FFA, SCA FBLA, Monogram, Sr . \& Jr. Beta.
Class President for '79-'80
Athletics: JV \& Varsity Basketball.

Angela Beth Dillow
"Angie"
Clubs: Newspaper.

John Durward Blessing Jr.
"John"
Anthony Lewis Brizendine "Tony"

Kenneth Randy
Carter
"Coonrod"
Clubs: FFA, KVG, VICA, Science.
Athletics: JV \& Varsity Basketball.

Clubs: FFA, Chess. Tazewell Vocational School.

Awards: President' s,
Who's Who, Society of Dist. Am. H.S. Students, Governor School for the Gifted, Best Defensive Player, Best Team Player. Clubs: Jr. \& Sr. Beta, SCA, FFA, 4-H. Athletics: Basketball.

Willis Roger Dye, II
"Pete"

Carolyn Jo Freeman
"Carolyn"
Clubs: 4 -H, Newspaper, Jr. \& Sr. Beta, Science, Annual Staff.

Anna Jill French "Jill"
Clubs: FHA, SCA, Science, Monogram, Newspaper, Annual Staff, Jr. Beta. Athletics: Cheerleader, JV Basketball. All Regional Choir.

Lori Anne Gibson John Arlie Gills
Awards: Chorus Clubs: Sr. \& Jr. Beta, Clubs: 4-H, FHA, Sr. FFA. \& Jr. Beta, Science.

Tina Maria Green
"Tina"
Clubs: 4-H, FHA, CSA, Science.

Rita Elizabeth Hankins
"Rita"
Transferred from Waterloo High School her Jr. year. Clubs: Monogram, Sr. Beta.
Athletics: Varsity Basketball, Cheerleader.

Chris Eric Harless
"Chris"
Awards: Pres. Phys.
Fitness. SCA, VICA.
Tazewell Vocational School.

Jerri Elaine Harman Debra Leona Havens "Jerri"
"Debbie"
Clubs: Jr. \& Sr. Beta, Science, Annual Staff, 4-H, FHA, FBLA.

Awards: Pres. Phys Fitness.
Clubs: Science, FHA, FBLA, 4-H.

Mollie Beatrice Hodge
"Mollie"

Deborah Ann
Honaker
"Debbie"
Clubs: Monogram, Science, 4-H.
Athletics: JV \& Varsity Basketball.


Cindy Hoosier


Sandra Looney


Tammy Pennington

Liz Johnson


Carla Morehead


Scott Richardson


Cheryl Stowers
David Taylor



David Keene


Richard Myers


Gina Slaughter


Marcinia Thomas


Rowena Oakes


Tammy Steele


Beverly Tolley

Kenny Klimaitis


Rusty Pennington


Casey Stowers


Kim Watson

Cindy Marie Hoosier "Cindy" Awards: Principal's. Clubs: Monogram, Science, Annual Staff, 4 -H. Athletics: JV Basketball Manager, Varsity Basketball, Boys Varsity Scorekeeper.

Sandra Gaye Looney "Sandra" Awards: Who's Who, Society of Dist. Am. H.S. Students, Pres. Phys. Fitness, Scholarship, P.E., Math. Clubs: Monogram, Science, Jr. \& Sr. Beta. Athletics: JV \& Varsity Basketball, Cheerleader.

Tammy Jean
Pennington "Tammy"
Awards: I Dare You, Society of Dist. Am. H.S. Students, Principals.
Athletics: JV \& Varsity Scorekeeper, Cheerleader.
Clubs: VICA, Annual Staff, Monogram, FHA, Science, FBLA, Senior Beta.

Cheryl Ann Stowers "Cheryl"
Clubs: 4-H, Sr. Beta, VICA.

Elizabeth Ann
Johnson
"Liz"
Transferred from
Pocahontas High
School in her
Senior year.

David Wayne Keene Janet Dawne Kinser
"David" "Janet"
Awards: Pres. Phys. Clubs: Science, FHA,
Fitness.
Jr. \& Sr. Beta, SCA.
Clubs: SCA, FFA, Athletics: Girls Varsi-
VICA, 4-H, KVG.
Athletics: 8 th grade Basketball.
FFA Delegate to State
Convention.
Recipient of VA State
Farmer Degree.
ty Basketball Manager.
Reporter of Sr . Class Miss RGHS.

Carla Ann Morehead
"Carla"
Awards: Honor Letter
\& Bar, Mathematics,
Pres. Phys. Fitness,
Typing I \& II, Who's Who, Society of Dist. Am. H.S. Students.
Clubs: Jr. \& Sr. Beta, 4-H, Monogram, FBLA, SCA.
Athletics: JV Basket-
Richard Lee Myers, Jr.
"Ricky"
Clubs: 4-H, Science, FFA.

Kenneth Aurther Klimaitis
"Kenny"
Clubs: Monogram, Science. Athletics: JV \& Varsity Basketball.
ball, Cheerleader.

Barry Scott Margaret Eugenia Richardson Slaughter
"Scotty"
Clubs: FFA, KVG Tazewell Vocational School.

Rowena Lee Oakes
"WeeNee"
Clubs: 4-H, Science, FHA.
Athletics: Varsity Basketball, JV \& Varsity Manager.

Russell Max Pennington Jr. "Rusty"
Clubs: SCA, FFA,
Monogram, Science, Jr. Beta.
Athletics: Boys Varsity Basketball.
Reporter of Jr. Class.

Tammy Lynn Steele "Tammy" Clubs: FHA, FBLA, Clubs: $4-\mathrm{H}$, FHA, Annual Staff.

VICA, Annual Staff.
Margaret Eugenia
Slaughter
"Gina"

Athletics: Girls Varsity Basketball.

Casey Lee Stowers "Casey"
Awards: Pres. Phys. Fitness.
Clubs: 4-H, FFA, KVG, VICA.

David Lawrence Marcinia Ruth
Taylor
"David"
Clubs: FFA, VICA, Clubs: FHA 4-H.

## Thomas

"Marcinia"

Beverly Kay Tolley
Clubs: FFA, Annual Staff.
Secretary of Sr. Class.

Kimberly Lynn
Watson
Clubs: 4-H, Annual
Staff.
Tazewell Vocational School.

| Deborah Gayle <br> Weddle | Kenneth Wayne <br> Williams |
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| "Debbie" | "Kenny" |

## Senior Class Officers


(L-R): Herschel Blessing, President; Carla Morehead, Vice-President; Beverly Tolley, Secretary; Tammy Pennington, Treasurer; and Janet Kinser, Reporter.

Class Colors- Midnight Blue and White
Class Flower-Blue tipped white rose
Class Song-"Time In A Bottle"
Class Motto-I am not afraid of tomorrow,
For I have seen yesterday
And I love today.

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Sandra Looney and John Gills


Tammy Pennington and Herschel Blessing


Rita Hankins and Tony Brizendine


Sandra Looney and Jerri Harman


Tammy Pennington, Herschel Blessing, and Janet Kinser


Cheryl Stowers, John Gills, and Debbie Weddle


Pete Dye and Debbie Weddle


Jerri Harman and Debbie Havens


Beverly Tolley and Tammy Pennington


David Taylor, Herschel Blessing, and Tammy Pennington


Cindy Hoosier and Rusty Pennington


Rusty Pennington and Angie Dillow


Herschel Blessing, Rusty Pennington, and Cindy Hoosier
Cindy Hoosier, and Janet Kinser


Steve DeAtley and Ray Hagan



Look what the army did to that poor boy.


I didn't think all that hair was for real.


This place is driving me mad.


Surprise! It's Candid Camera.

Got ya!


There's no privacy anywhere.


Hey Nancy, What's number 4?


Don't interrupt me, can't you see I'm busy?


What's wrong with this thing?


The Chosen One
The clouds parted, heaven shone brightly and accepted another chosen one into its wonderland, the one who left this creation of God and joined the unknown that each of us yearn to understand. Lucky is she who has been adopted by our superior and given everlasting life.

The sunset of this life or any life brings about the dawning of a transaction that we mortals have been unable to master or interpret. Being mortals, death, or eternal rest, is inevitable to all of us, and a thing of inmeasurable sadness.

Jamie, to you we pray for peace and live in hopes that we will be reunited in the place you have come to know. We that knew and loved you wait restlessly for that second gathering of which we have much faith in. Until that time, one by one we shall someday come to be with you.

Class of '80

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## JUNIOR CLASS



President-Dee Dee Williams; Vice-President-Barry Bradshaw; Secretary-Regenia Johnson; Treasurer-Carol Hounshell; and Reporter-Gina Bowles.


Lena Bailey Deana Ball Lisha Barbor


Pearl Blankenship

Sammy Belcher
Marilyn Blankenship
Gina Bowles
Terry Bowling


Barry Bradshaw
Howard Burton John Davis



Terry Gwyn
Karla Harris

Carol Hounshell


Tony Havens

Diane Dent Jackie Elliott Roger Faulkner


Tim Havens



Jeff Lambert Sherry Lambert
Cheryl Lane


Doug Miller Randy Morehead

Ronnie Martin

Steve Levitt
Clint Linkous


Sharon Nelson Darletta Nunn Andrea Pauley



Louise Sutphin
Sean Thomas


April Tolley

Beth Slaughter Nancy Sluss Sherri Spence


Darren Walker Carla Wilburn Donna Wilburn

One giant step for Jeff!



Shawn VanHulst Shellie VanHulst


Gonna Fly Now

## SOPHOMORE CLASS



President-Terry Bradshaw; Vice-President-John Morgan; Secretary-Trisha Harless; Reporter- Ronnie Miller; and Treasurer-Tammy Clark (Not Pictured).


Marshall Adair
Laurissa Akers
Sharon Ball



Robin Coburn Mary Dixon Richard Ferguson

Brenda Freeman
Timothy Gibson

"There's a girl over there . . . Hitting that machine with her fingers

Richard Hankins Trisha Harless



Regina Lechaton Paul Looney Ronnie Miller


Frankie Stowers
Tessa Umbarger Kevin Walker
"Don't bug me - I'm workin', I'm workin'!"

## FRESHMAN CLASS



President- Denita Stowers; Reporter-Drema Corvin; Vice-President-Terri Goodman, Secretary-Julie Hull, Treasurer-Carl Steele (Not Pictured)


Patricia Atha
John Bailey
Sherry Bailey


We MUST stop meeting like this!


William Foran
Bobby Gibson

Ronnie Duesing
Edith Dye
Terry Foran


Lee Hagan
Charles Hall
Karen Harris


Such a wide choice of snacks.


David Hounshell Julie Hull Brian Kelly

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Scotty Moses
Teresa Nunley


Virginia Reed Gary Sink Drema Spence

"Don't look now . . . but there's someone looking through a little black box.'


Cheryl Turner
Darrell Weddle


Becky Whittimore


Kay Williams
Michael Woody

Carl Steele Denita Stowers Chuck Tupper



Kerry Wright Mark Wynegar Kim Zaporowsky

Who invented the law of gravity?

## PRE-FRESHMAN CLASS



President-Joel Thornton; Vice-President-Hector Tynes; Secretary-Treasurer-Sandy Bowling


Jonathan Andrews Thomas Beckner Sandy Bowling
D. J. Bradshaw Barry Brizendine


Vickie DeHart Karen Dent Carol French

If we can hold her long enough maybe OUR runner will get here!



Can a star have no privacy


Andy Slaughter Missy Stowers

Debbie Saunders
Hope Shelton

Lauri Parks John Peak Michael Puckett



## SCA

## Student Council Association



Bottom Row (L-R): Rusty Pennington, Terry Bradshaw, Debbie Weddle, and Sherri Bowling. Second Row: Missy Stowers, Sandy Bowling, Tessa Umbarger, and Danny Stowers. Third Row: Carla Morehead, Sean Thomas, Cheryl Lane, and Jon Andrews. Top Row: Denita Stowers, Robin Gibson, Anna Blessing, Charles Hall, and Joel Thornton.


## SCA Officers:

Mandy Pauley, Reporter; Regenia Johnson, Treasurer; Dee Dee Williams, Secretary; Tim Havens, Vice-President; Herschel Blessing, President; Julie Hull, Chaplain; and Mrs. Kathy Havens, Sponsor.

## CSA

## Christian Student Association



Bottom Row (L-R): Carol French, Vickie DeHart, Debbie Saunders, Cindy Lafon, Laurissa Akers, and Teresa Green. Second Row: Tammy Pennington, Debbie Weddle, Anna Blessing, Lauri Parks, Sandy Bowling, Linda Gross, and Marlene Honaker. Third Row: Sherry Bailey, Paul Looney, Andrea Pauley, Edith Dye, Drema Corvin, Terri Goodman, Drema Spence, Betsy Davidson, and Kay Williams. Top Row: Sharon Nelson, Sherri Spence, Lori Gibson, Mandy Pauley, Julie Hull, Jonathan Andrews, Joey Davidson, Joel Thornton, and Sharon Ball.

## CSA-Council

(L-R): Randall Morehead, Beth Slaughter, Tessa Umbarger, Kenneth Bradberry, Joe Lechaton, Tim Lafon, Dee Dee Bowles, Teresa Green, Sherri Spence, and Tina Green. Advisers: Mr. James Sink, Mr. Terry Mullins, and Dr. Louis Rittweger (not pictured)


## SENIOR BETA



Bottom Row (L-R): Tony Brizendine, Sean Thomas, Tammy Pennington, Sherry Lambert, Terry Bowling, and Terry Gwyn. Second Row: Barry Bradshaw, Andrea Pauley, Gina Bowles, Cheryl Lane, Deidre Williams, and Carol Hounshell. Third Row: John Davis, Sherri Spence, Lori Gibson, Jerri Harman, Rita Hankins, and Debbie Weddle. Top Row: Diann Williams, Sherryl Williams, Shellie VanHulst, Donna Wilburn, Tim Havens, Regenia Johnson, and Elizabeth Johnson.


## Senior Beta Officers

Standing (L-R): Herschel Blessing, Treasurer; Janet Kinser, Reporter; Mr. James Sink, Sponsor; Sandra Looney, Secretary; Carla Morehead, Vice-President; and John Gills, President.

## Senior Beta Installation Ceremony



## JUNIOR BETA



Bottom Row (L-R): Anna Blessing, Terri Goodman, Drema Spence, Drema Corvin, and Denita Stowers. Second Row: Paul Looney, Darrell Weddle, Sharon Ball, Tessa Umbarger, Julie Hull, and Mandy Pauley. Top Row: Marshall Adair, Gary Morehead, Ronnie Miller, Kay Williams, and Betsy Davidson.

## Junior Beta Officers

(L-R): Teresa Green, Reporter; Trish Harless, Secretary; Sherri Bowling, Vice President; Terry Bradshaw, President; and Tammy Clark, Treasurer (not pictured).


## MONOGRAM



Bottom Row (L-R): Tammy Pennington, Herschel Blessing, Debbie Weddle, Cheryl Lane and Carol Hounshell. Second Row: Mandy Pauley, Louise Sutphin, Sharon Ball, and Rusty Pennington. Top Row: Donna Wilburn, Sheri Woody, Regenia Johnson, Sandra Looney, and Tony Brizendine.


## Monogram Officers

(L-R): Barry Bradshaw, President; Cindy Hoosier, Vice President; Rita Hankins, Secretary; Sherry Lambert, Treasurer; Jill French, Reporter; Mr. Charles Puckett, Sponsor.

## SCIENCE CLUB



First Row (L-R): Louise Sutphin, Secretary; Tony Brizendine, Treasurer; and Gina Bowles, President. Second Row: Trish Harless, Julie Hull, Sherry Lambert, Sheri Woody, and Debbie Weddle. Third Row: Mandy Pauley, Sandra Looney, Janet Kinser, and Rusty Pennington. Fourth Row: Cindy Hoosier, Jerri Harman, Denita Stowers, and Lori Gibson. Standing: Mr. Charlie Puckett, Sponsor; Darrell Weddle, Tim Havens, and John Davis.

## Eagle Eye Staff

Editor-in-chief-Gina Bowles Sports Editor-Sherry Lambert Photographer-Dee Dee Bowles Elementary Editor-Kenneth Bradberry
Club Editor-Carolyn Freeman Typists-Marilyn Blankenship Tessa Umbarger Terry Bradshaw Advisor-Mr. Vance Bird


Seated (L-R): Mr. Vance Bird, Sponsor; Terry Bradshaw, and Tessa Umbarger. Standing: Marilyn Blankenship, Kenny Bradberry, Gina Bowles, Sherry Lambert, and Dee-Dee Bowles.

## FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA



Bottom Row (L-R): Terry Gwyn, John Morgan, Daniel Myers, John Blessing, Steve DeAtley, Ray Hagan, Timmy Gibson, Louise Sutphin, and Sheri Woody. Second Row: Shawn VanHulst, Ronnie Blankenship, Rufus Cantrell, David Hounshell, David Lambert, Ricky Ratliff, Darren Walker, and Richard Ferguson. Third Row: Kenneth Williams, Bobby Gibson, Michael Woody, Scott Moses, Dennis Blankenship, Kenneth Bradberry, Casey Stowers, Chris Harless, Scott Richardson, and Kerry Wright. Fourth Row: Gary Sink, Timmy Nunn, Danny Stowers, Charles Hall, Ronnie Duesing, David Taylor, Ricky Bradshaw, Terry Bowling, and Ricky Myers.

FFA Sweetheart


## FFA Officers

Chuck Tupper, Sentinel; Sean Thomas, Treasurer: Paul Looney, Secretary; Herschel Blessing, President; Barry Bradshaw, Vice-President; Mr. Ronald Byrd, Advisor; and Ronnie Miller, Reporter.

Louise Sutphin


## KVG



Bottom Row (L-R): Daniel Myers, David Taylor, Casey Stowers, Barry Bradshaw, John Peak, Chris Harless, Steve DeAtley, and Rick Bradshaw. Second Row: Darren Walker, Ricky Myers, Kenny Williams, Terry Gwyn, Herschel Blessing, Scott Richardson, John Blessing, Ray Hagan, and Ronald Byrd, advisor.

## Greenhands



First Row (L-R): Hector Tynes, Tim Lafon, Andy Slaughter, and D.J. Bradshaw. Second Row: Jon Andrews, Philip Kidd, Chuck Myers, Barry Maggard, and Jerry Tiller. Third Row: Dwayne Beckner, John Havens, Brian DeAtley, and John Peak. Fourth Row: Barry Brizendine, Joey Davidson, Rodney Morgan, and Kevin Willis.

## FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA



Bottom Row (L-R): Robin Zaporowsky, Pearl Blankenship, Deana Ball, Beth Slaughter, Trish Harless, Dee Dee Bowles, Della Carpenter, and Virginia Barrett. Second Row: Kay Williams, Shellie Van Hulst, Cindy Lafon, Betsy Davidson, Marlene Honaker, and Darlene Moore. Third Row: Linda Gross, Dreama Woody, Donna Wilburn, Andrea Pauley, and Carol French. Last Row: Carla Wilburn, Gina Slaughter, Becky Whittimore, Patricia Atha, Tammy Pennington, Louise Sutphin, and Debbie Weddle.

## FHA Sweetheart



## FHA Officers

Janet Kinser, President; Jill French, Secretary; Sherri Spence, Treasurer; Lisha Barbor, Reporter; Mrs. Betty Munsey, Adviser; Karla Harris, Vice-President; Jackie Elliott, Historian; Lori Gibson, Chaplain; (not pictured).

Shawn Van Hulst


## VOCATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CLUBS OF AMERICA



First Row (L-R): Kenneth Williams, Diane Dent, Barry Bradshaw, and Ricky Willis. Second Row: Jackie Elliott, David Keene, John Blessing, David Taylor, and Ray Hagan.

Barry Bradshaw
President - Elect
District 8 Association of VICA



First Row (L-R): Debbie Weddle, President; Tammy Pennington, Vice President; and Cheryl Stowers, Secretary. Second Row: Terry Bowling, Treasurer; Chris Harless, Reporter; and Casey Stowers, Parliamentarian.

# FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA 



Bottom Row (L-R): Sherri Bowling, Diann Williams, Trish Harless, Tessa Umbarger, Mandy Pauley, Deana Ball, Louise Sutphin, and Tammy Pennington. Second Row: Randy Morehead, Lisha Barbor, Sherri Spence, Tammy Steele, Debbie Havens, Jerri Harman, Sheri Woody, and Herschel Blessing. Last Row: Brenda Freeman, Rita Hankins, Dee Dee Williams, Daniel Myers, Ricky Bradshaw, Drema Spence, Denita Stowers, and Debbie Weddle.


## FBLA Officers

Bottom Row (L-R): Andrea Pauley, President; Carla Morehead, Vice President; Cheryl Lane, Secretary; and Jackie Elliott, Treasurer. Top Row: John Morgan, Parliamentarian; Gary Morehead, Historian; Tim Havens, Reporter; and Mrs. Ruth Looney, Advisor.

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4-\mathrm{H}
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Bottom Row (L-R): Vickie DeHart, Anna Blessing, Sherry Bailey, Dee Dee Bowles, Rufus Cantrell, Joey Lewis, and Tim Lafon. Second Row: Andrea Pauley, Sherri Spence, Cheryl Stowers, Carla Morehead, Tammy Day, Denita Stowers, D.J. Bradshaw, and Ronnie Duesing. Third Row: Sharon Nelson, Marilyn Blankenship, Kay Williams, Julie Hull, Scotty Moses, Joey Davidson, and Daniel Myers. Top Row: Patricia Atha, Becky Whittimore, Darrell Weddle, Michael Woody, John Peak, John Bailey, and Shawn Van Hulst.

## 4-H Officers

Bottom Row (L-R): Ronnie Miller, President; Shellie Van Hulst, Vice President; Sherryl Williams, Secretary; Sandy Bowling, Treasurer; Top Row: Lori Gibson, Recreational Leader; Diann Williams, Recreational Leader; Richard Myers, Chaplain, and Kenneth Bradberry, Reporter.



## Chorus

First Row (L-R): Mrs. Karen Green-Director, Della Carpenter, Marcinia Thomas, Angie Dillow, Tina Green, Sharon Nelson, and Virginia Barrett. Second Row: Beth Slaughter, Deana Ball, Trish Harless, Jill French, Drema Spence, and Denita Stowers. Third Row: Darren Walker, Ricky Myers, Ricky Ratliff, Mark Willis, Kevin Walker, and Gary Morehead. Jill French, Ricky Myers, and Deana Ball were chosen as members of the All Regional Choir and appeared in Concert at Virginia High School in Bristol, VA in February.


## Chorus Officers

Seated (L-R): Deana Ball, Treasurer; Beth Slaughter, President; Jill French, Secretary; and Denita Stowers, Vice-President.


Bland County Band practicing for Wytheville Christmas Parade.

## Band

Standing (L-R): John Davis, Joe Lechaton, Marshall Adair, Julie Hull, and Sharon Ball.



# The Society of Distinguished American High School Students 

Bottom Row (L-R): Tenth Grade: John Morgan, Paul Looney, and Sherri Bowling. Second row-Eleventh Grade: Barry Bradshaw, Susan Williams, Howard Burton, Sherry Lambert, Regenia Johnson, Gina Bowles, and Tim Havens. Top RowTwelfth Grade: Carla Morehead, Tammy Pennington, Herschel Blessing, Rusty Pennington, Tony Brizendine, and Sandra Looney.

## Second Year Students at Tazewell County Vocational School

Bottom Row: Elizabeth Johnson, Kim Watson, Donna Jackson. Top Row: Pete Dye and Scott Richardson. Randy Carter, Not Pictured.


## First Year Vocational Students at Tazewell County Vocational School

Roger Faulkner, Doug Miller, Steve Levitt, Tony Havens, Charlie Rife, Johnny Blankenship, Jeff Lambert, Sammy Belcher, Carol Kinser, Clint Linkous, and Howard Burton. April Tolley, Not Pictured.

## Kindergarten Story Hour Readers

Barry Bradshaw, Howard Burton, Ronnie Blankenship, Richard Hankins, David Lambert, Terry Foran, and Lee Hagan. Second Row: Herschel Blessing, Ronnie Miller, D. J. Bradshaw, Andy Slaughter, Tim Lafon, Sean Thomas, and Barry Brizendine. Third Row: Paul Looney, Gary Morehead, Kevin Walker, Kerry Wright, Dennis Blankenship, Dwayne Beckner, and Jerry Tiller. Top Row: Kenneth Bradberry, Joel Thornton, John Peak, Bobby Gibson, Mark Wynegar, Hector Tynes, Joey Lewis, and Barry Maggard.

## YEARBOOK STAFF



Bottom Row (L-R): Donna Wilburn, Tammy Pennington, Cindy Hoosier, Beth Slaughter, and Dreama Woody. Second Row: Sherri Bowling, Terry Bradshaw, Sherry Lambert, and Gina Bowles. Third Row: Trish Harless, Sharon Ball, Louise Sutphin, and Debbie Weddle. Fourth Row: Carla Wilburn, Deana Ball, Beverly Tolley, Sheri Woody, and Jerri Harman. Not Pictured: Andrea Pauley, Darletta Nunn, Carolyn Freeman, Regina Lechaton, Sherri Spence, Sharon Nelson, Gina Slaughter, and Brenda Freeman.


Tammy Pennington-Editor-in-chief

Editor-in-chief-Tammy Pennington
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Undergraduates-Deana Ball, Sherry Lambert, Sheri Woody and Beth Slaughter
Faculty-Sherri Spence, Sharon Nelson, Trisha Harless, and Gina Slaughter.
Awards-Brenda Freeman, Sharon Ball, Regina Lechaton, and Trisha Harless.
Royalty-Sherri Bowling and Terry Bradshaw


## WHO'S WHO <br> Seniors



Carla Morehead

Sandra Looney


The Who's Who Award is awarded to the Juniors and Seniors who have demonstrated leadership in academics, athletics, extracurricular activities or community services. In order to receive this award you must have at least a " B " average. The students who receive the Who's Who Award are chosen by the faculty.


Herschel Blessing

Tony Brizendine


## WHO'S WHO Juniors



Gina Bowles

Regenia Johnson


These students will be listed in the 1979-80 Edition of the Who's Who Among American High School Students. A copy of this publication can be found in the high school library.


Susan Williams

Tim Havens


## BETA AWARDS

The Beta Awards are presented by the Senior and Junior Beta Clubs. To receive a Beta Award you must have at least a 95 overall average for the year. The first time you achieve this, you receive a letter. For each successful year after that, you receive a bar. A graduating senior, if he has received a letter and a bar, receives a star.


Front Row - Left to Right - Carla Morehead, Lori Gibson, Sandra Looney, and Susan Williams. Back Row - Tim Havens, Regenia Johnson, Gina Bowles, John Davis. (Not Pictured) Tony Brizendine.


Front Row - Left to Right - Denita Stowers, Sherri Bowling, Mandy Pauley, Robin Gibson, and Della Carpenter. Back Row - Teresa Green, Regina Lechaton, Trisha Harless, Julie Hull, Terry Bradshaw. (Not Pictured) Tessa Umbarger and John Morgan.

## I DARE YOU AWARD



Tammy Pennington, Herschel Blessing
The contest is open to boys and girls in the senior classes of accredited public and private high schools in good standing with the State Boards of Education. The student selected as the school's "DAR Good Citizen" must be a citizen of the United States of America and have the qualifications of LEADERSHIP - which includes personality, self-control, ability to assume responsibility; DEPENDABILITY - which includes cooperation, courtesy, consideration of others; PATRIOTISM - which includes unselfish interest in family, school, community and nation, to an outstanding degree. The senior class elected three seniors having these qualifications and from the three, the high school faculty selected one to be the school's "DAR Good Citizen." The local Winner is entered in the state contest.

Each year a book is presented to two students to encourage these students, and others in the years to come, to fully develop their potential talents and to reach out as leaders in fields of service and good citizenship. This award is chosen by the high school faculty on the basis of leadership and character of each student.

DAR AWARD


Herschel Blessing

## FFA AWARDS



78-79 Star Farmer
Richard Gibson

Livestock Judging Team (Left to Right) Ronnie Miller, Sean Thomas, Barry Bradshaw. Winner Bland, Smyth, Wythe Federation

Sean Thomas -
Federation Vice-President
Paul Looney - Federation Secretary


Plaque awarded to Mr . Ronald Byrd, the FFA Adviser. Presenting the award is Mr. Jack Kaylor, Principal

78-79 Star Greenhand - Chuck Tupper and Carolyn Freeman. Carolyn Freeman (not pictured)

## PHYSICAL FITNESS AWARD WINNERS


(Left to Right) Bottom Row-Rick Bradshaw, Daniel Myers, Ricky Ratliff, Ronnie Miller, Kevin Walker, Gary Morehead, Rich Hankins, David Lambert, and Timmy Gibson. Second Row-Brenda Freeman, Terry Bradshaw, Sharon Ball, Louise Sutphin, Sherry Lambert, Sheri Woody, Darren Walker, Susan Williams, Shellie Van Hulst, and Jackie Elliott. Third Row-David Keene, Darletta Nunn, Beth Slaughter, Dreama Woody, Donna Wilburn, Sean Thomas, Regenia Johnson, Andrea Pauley, John Davis, Cheryl Lane, Carol Hounshell, and Mr. Robert Kegley, P. E. Instructor. Fourth Row-Carla Morehead, Debbie Havens, John Blessing, Rusty Pennington, Kenneth Williams, Ricky Myers, Scott Richardson, and Chris Harless.
(Left ot Right) Bottom Row-Harry Millirons, Phillip Nelson, David Hawthorne, Keith Dinger, Ronnie Kinder, and Alice Neal. Second Row-Jonathan Andrews, Joe Lechaton, Sandy Bowling, Tammy Day, and Tim Lafon. Third RowChuck Tupper, Drema Spence, Terri Goodman, Bobby Gibson, and Ronnie Duesing. Fourth RowDarrell Weddle, Michael Woody, William Foran, and Kerry Wright.



## ALL DISTRICT

Sharon Ball, Selected to the Mountain Empire All-District Varsity Girls Basketball Team.


Carla Morehead; A State Winner in the 4 -H Electric Achievement Record Book and was eligible to attend Electric Congress in Richmond, VA.

Julie Hull; Selected to the Virginia Tech
Honor Band in May, 1979.

The following pictures were taken of the art pieces found in the exhibition at the Kent Gallery, Powell Hall, Radford University January 27 -February 8, 1980.


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## R.G.H.S. CHEERLEADERS



Sherri Bowling, Sherry Lambert, Cheryl Lane, Tammy Pennington, Rita Hankins, Julie Hull, Carol Hounshell, and Anna Blessing.

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Cheerleading Sweetheart


Barry Bradshaw

Basketball Sweetheart

Julie Hull


## JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS



Kneeling (L-R)-Sherri Bowling, Julie Hull, Drema Spence, and Betsy Davidson. Standing-Tessa Umbarger, Manager; Marlene Honaker, Manager; Becky Whittimore, Debbie Saunders, Tammy Day, Carol Kinser, Lauri Parks, Linda Gross, Mandy Pauley, Missy Stowers, and Kathy Havens, Coach.




## JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS


(L-R): Jon Andrews, Michael Woody, Danny Stowers, Paul Looney, John Morgan, Chris Carter, Scott Moses, Ronnie Miller, Barry Brizendine, Joe Lechaton, Andy Slaughter, and Philip Kidd. Manager, Dennis Blankenship, Coach, John Dodson.


## Eighth Grade Team

Bottom Row (L-R): Philip Kidd, Harry Millirons, Jon Andrews, D. J. Bradshaw, and Joel Thornton. Second Row: Joe Lechaton, Andy Slaughter, Barry Brizendine, and Robin Brizendine. Top Row: Chuck Tupper, Tim Lafon, Ben Hankins, and Nick Puckett.



## VARSITY GIRLS



Kneeling: Manager, Jackie Elliott, Sharon Ball, Cindy Hoosier, Sherry Lambert, Manager, Anna Blessing. Standing: Donna Wilburn, Sheri Woody, Louise Sutphin, Rita Hankins, Debbie Honaker, Regenia Johnson, Carla Wilburn, Tammy Steele, Sandra Looney, Robin Zaporowsky, and Coach, Mrs. Havens.



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Hi Mom!


Just what in the world is going on?
Do you hear what I hear?


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The Story


And like all else our story ends.

## VARSITY BOYS


(L-R): Tony Brizendine, Richard Hankins, Mark Willis, Herschel Blessing, Roger Faulkner, Kenny Klimaitis, Jeff Lambert, Ronnie Martin, Gary Morehead, Barry Bradshaw, Tim Havens. Darren Walker is not pictured. Left Inset: Coach Puckett. Right Inset: Sean Thomas, Manager.

February 5, 1980
ROCKY GAP: Since the beginning of the current basketball season (November 30, 1979) many words have been written about the above pictured team and their gym. In the pre-season standings, the Roanoke Times Sports Department selected this team to finish no higher than fourth in the Mountain Empire District right behind Auburn, Shawsville, and Independence; however, this team has burst many a bubble as they clicked off win after win.

The Auburn Eagles were electrocuted.
The Shawsville Shawnees were scalped.
The Independence Blue Devils were Beheaded.
The Fort Chiswell Pioneers were pickled.
The Bland Rockets were rejected.
The Fries Wildcats were wallopped.
The Mount Rogers Rockets were repelled.

HOME
90-77
83-70
89-64
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75-52
92-58
96-50

AWAY
60-59
65-61
62-55
71-59
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51-37
88-57

On Friday, February 1, in Riner VA, home of the Auburn Eagles, this team captured the Mountain Empire District regular season championship and possess an unsurpassed record of 18-0. Coach Puckett's Eagles are talented, unselfish team members who utilize smart passing, constant team movement and a multitude of defenses which keeps the opponent constantly bewildered. The Eagles are led by Super-Center Kenny Klimaitis, playmaker Tony Brizendine, the fine inside power of Herschel Blessing, quick, defensive Rich Hankins and the alert, talented Mark Willis. These fine players are backed by the excellent abilities of Gary Morehead, Jeff Lambert, Ronnie Martin, Darren Walker, Tim Havens, Roger Faulkner and Barry Bradshaw.

Daily Telegraph Sports Writer Tom Wall had this to say after the Auburn game at Rocky Gap: "Puckett's birds acted like swarming, hungry, vicious buzzards as they defrocked, defeathered, dismantled, and totally, ruthlessly, dissected the Auburn birds as calmly and as professionally as a Bellevue surgeon."

It's obvious to the spectator that this team is well-coached, well-organized, and well-disciplined. Currently, the Rocky Gap Eagles are ranked seventh in Timesland - the only Group A school in the top ten.

Unfortunately, our yearbook must be sent to the publisher; and, therefore, we cannot write the end to this great beginning.


## Varsity Forwards

Gary Morehead
Roger Faulkner

Mark Willis Barry Bradshaw


## Varsity Guards

Timmy Havens, Rich Hankins, Jeff Lambert, and Tony Brizendine.

## Varsity Centers

Darren Walker

Herschel Blessing

"Do the Basketball Bump"
"The Eagles soar over the Rockets
"Grace and Beauty"


"What Goes Up-must come Down"


"Hey, did I do that?"
"A spring in the air-with the greatest of Ease"




## SUPPORTING PERSONNEL



Carla Morehead, Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Scorekeeper and Tammy Pennington, Varsity Girls Basketball Scorekeeper


Cindy Hoosier, Boys Basketball Scorekeeper


Randy Johnson, Basketball Bus Driver


Mike Pruett, Basketball Timekeeper

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## 1979 PROM

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Robbie
Penny
Williams

## Miller



## '79 HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

 Sophomore Class

Queen
Trish Harless

King
Richard Hankins

## OTHER HALLOWEEN KING AND QUEEN CANDIDATES



8th Grade
Missy Stowers and Joe Lechaton


11th Grade
Jackie Elliott and Timmy Havens


9th Grade
Kim Zaporowsky and William Foran


12th Grade

## MISS ROCKY GAP 1979




HOMECOMING QUEEN 1980


Miss Debbie Weddle

## SENIOR CLASS HOMECOMING CANDIDATES



Debbie Weddle escorted by Pete Dye.


Tammy Pennington escorted by John Blessing.


Carla Morehead

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## BLAND COUNTY FIELD DAY



Pictured above are students and chaperones enjoying the Athletic events of the field day activities on the fair grounds. The agony of defeat is expressed by some while the joy of victory is found on the faces of others.

Giver of life and happiness,
Shower your life on this soul.
Propose each of us togetherness,
And accompanying death at our last toll. In our darkest hour set forth your glow, And hold onto like you'll never let go.
Believe these few words,
For like a river they always will flow.
Beverly Tolley


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