Blue and White
1976
Jim,

It's been very nice to have gotten to know you this year. This was one of my best English classes and it been nice having you in it. I hope to see you next year when we are senior at last. Have a great summer and don't drive to fast. Lots of good times and happiness.

"-L"  Lori Adams
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Cover drawing was done by Tina Ansell of the Old Vergennes School House, built in 1824 and now at the Shelburne Museum.
Thinking about what we, as students at VUHS, have inherited from the past and what real connections we have with the history of this area, makes one acknowledge that most of these connections are seldom considered, as we move blithely from day to day and year to year.

One real value of the Bicentennial year is that it encourages us to think of how we are affected by what has gone before. Our sports teams are called "Commodores," and somewhere in the back of their minds, most people realize that a commodore has something to do with the navy, and the navy did something in Vergennes. A member of the Vergennes Historical and Archeological Society (like Joe or Kate Pollender, Kate Royce, Mark Wilson or Martin Fleming) would be able to take that a little farther to tell you about how Commodore Thomas Macdonough, head of the U.S. Navy in the War of 1812, was stationed here and built his fleet in the basin below the Falls on Otter Creek. They might even know that 177 tons of cannon shot was cast on the Falls.

Many students become more aware of the area's rich involvement in U.S. history, when they choose to write a social studies paper on a local subject. They might write about how Vergennes was the third incorporated city in the U.S. and was granted land space from New Haven, Panton and Ferrisburg; or about the "smallest city's" aspirations to be a state capital, and the tempestuous "slaughterhouse" legislature that met only once in the local courthouse.

One aspect of our heritage which we can only imagine, is the importance of the Falls in the City's early history. When students in summer swing out over the Creek on a roped tire and drop into their swimming hole, or boat and fish, it's difficult to look up at the Falls and remember that in the first half of the 19th Century there were many industries on the banks of the Creek -- from an iron foundry, saw mill and cabinet factory, to manufacturers of patent medicines, spark plugs, school seats and aeroplane parts.

Water traffic is almost totally for pleasure now, and we remember it as a real means of transportation only when our parents talk about taking the steamboat to school in Burlington, or boating to and from their summer camps. We're hoping to be able to relive some of these nostalgic boat rides when the Vermont Bicentennial steamer begins its routes on the Lake.
Within the memory of high school students the town’s face has changed. Buildings one can see in old pictures of Main Street have burned or been torn down. The IGA has replaced the old High School; the Post Office takes the place of the old Stevens Carriage House. Now there’s talk of going in the opposite direction and restoring Stevens House, and other buildings of historical interest.

One landmark building which remains and provides both visual beauty and practical services is Bixby Library, completed in 1912. The top picture shows Mark Gebo and Tim Curtis on a visit to Bixby, while the lower picture shows Mary Lalumiere and Rose Hutchins on their way.
City's Face Changes

Ken Martel poses with a bottle of Fresca in front of Eris Studio.

TOP LEFT: Bixby Library at its completion in 1912. MID­DLE: Main Street's bank corner and steps. LOWER: Main Street in horse and buggy days.
The main visual element in the park is the monument to Commodore Macdonough, shown in the top two pictures. Stevens House, middle left, is now Vergennes Furniture at street level, and apartments on the upper floors.

The City Hall, situated next to the park, was at one time the Vergennes Opera House, and the decorated store front at left is no longer standing.
"From its earliest beginnings, the city of Vergennes has been noted for its taverns and its schools. The connection will be explained when one recalls the two salient characteristics which distinguished our early settlers. These qualities were shrewd business sense and a passionate attachment to learning," says a newspaper article written when the new Union High School was finished in 1959. The old high school (top picture), whose space is not occupied by the IGA, was built in 1863, and most students remember its towering presence, while their parents remember how it felt to go to school there. The old gymnasium has become the fire house.
LEFT: Cheryl Aunchman in front of the bicentennial bulletin board in Mr. Yamall's room. LOWER LEFT: The present high school was built in 1958 and at that time school districts were unified and children were bussed to Vergennes. Rows of lockers and loaded buses are two common 1976 school day sights. TOP RIGHT: Mr. Ward's 8th grade social studies class recreated an old time classroom for a week, and here with their slates are A. Pollender, M. Husk, S. Rooney, J. Dam, J. Litch and C. Brinkman. MIDDLE RIGHT: A bicentennial play was presented for parents on Open House night by P. Rose, D. Russett, B. Epstein, A. Pollender, C. Brinkman and P. Wager. LOWER RIGHT: A sight you would not have glimpsed 200 years ago is Jack Tynan with his guitar, the morning after the marathon baby buggy pushing contest.
Students Make Bicentennial Efforts

In a bicentennial year, many new contests pop up, asking students to say what it's like being an American, and to demonstrate their understanding of our past. Several VUHS students look advantage of these contests, and the biggest winner was Laura Farley, who was chosen as one of two Vermont Bicentennial Seniors. By writing an essay and a "bicentennial minute", Laura won $1,000 scholarship money and a trip to Williamsburg, Va.

Steve Farnsworth won the school and district competitions in the American Legion Constitutional Speech Contest, and received $100 in scholarship money.

Sophomore JoAnne Bodette was chosen by faculty members to represent VUHS in the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Seminar, and in an interviewing situation, competed with other Vermont school winners.

Mrs. Crocker's sophomore English class contributed the most obvious bicentennial display, when they painted murals on the upper walls in the office lobby. Each member of the class wrote a research paper on some aspect of Vermont or U.S. history, and the painted scenes developed from these papers. Snoopy took his honored place atop the Liberty Bell, and from there the halls were enlivened with flags, poems and historical characters.

TOP: Mrs. Crocker's 10 grade English class at the beginning of their wall painting spree. MIDDLE LEFT: Steve Farnsworth won the American Legion speech contest. MIDDLE RIGHT: JoAnne Bodette competed in the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Seminar. BOTTOM: Laura Farley poses with Mr. Fitzpatrick and her Bicentennial Senior plaque and check.
When you think of me
Smile
Remembering all the time
We shared together
Think of
the laughter, the warm sun
the growing
As you remember
Feel the Love
and smile
As you pass it onto a friend.

Friends
So far above
Please
Let me
Know you through
Worldly things
Let the sun
Be your smiles
Let the trees
Speak your words
Let the world
Radiate your peace
Let me
Know you
Better now
Only He knows
How the winds blow
How the grass grows
Only He can see
The honest beauty
Of us all
It isn't written
Upon the wall.
MARY JANE ADAMS
"If you love something let it go. If it comes back, it's yours. And if it doesn't it never was." Chorus 1; Basketball 2; Gymnastics 3,4; Junior Prom Comm. 3; V.I.C.A. 3,4.

TINA LE ANSELL
"The Sunrise doesn't last all morning. A cloudburst doesn't last all day. All things must pass, all things must pass away." National Honor Society 3,4; Spring Production 2; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Senior Hike 4; Chorus 2.

LEISA MARIE AUNCHMAN
"Love weaves its wonderful spell around us as we walk together and dream of tomorrow." Library Aide 1,2; Office Aide 3,4; Yearbook 3,4; German Club 4; German travel Club 1-4.

DIANE MARIE BAKER
"Don't part with your illusions. When they are gone, you may still exist, but you have ceased to live." Yearbook 4; Candy Stripers 4.

KENNETH E. BANNISTER
"You only go around once in life." Soccer J.V. 1,2; V. 1-4; Basketball J.V. 1; Varsity Golf 1-4; Ski Club 1-4; Chess Club 1-4; Track 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Boys State Delegate 3; French Travel Club 2; German Travel Club 4; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Jr. Prom Court 3; Varsity Wrestling 4; Tutor 1.
I Am Particularly Fond Of

Caught puzzling over a Calculus problem is Charlie Bemis, while Martin Fleming reads about flying.

DEBRA ANN BARRE
"... and a new day will dawn for those who stand long, and the forests will echo with laughter."
J. V. Cheerleading 1, 2; Co-Captain 2; Most Valuable Player 2; Varsity Cheerleading 3, 4; Co-Captain 4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 1, 2; Yearbook 1, 4; Varsity Softball 1; Junior Prom Committee 3; One-Acts 2; Senior Hike 4; Travel Club, 2; Winter Carnival Committee 1, 2.

CHARLES ALFRED BEMIS, JR.
"The pessimist feels that meetings end in partings; the optimist, that partings end in meetings."
Golf 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Chorus 1; Chess Club 1-4; French Club 4; Travelers to Quebec 2; Boy's State Alternate 3.

TAMAR AMELIA BARROWS
"Clouds come from time to time--and bring to men a chance to rest from looking at the moon."
Cheerleading: J. V. 1, 2; Varsity 3, 4; Captain 2; Co-Captain 1, 4; Field Hockey 4; Class President 1; Student Council Representative 2; Junior Prom Committee 3; Winter Carnival Committee 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Senior Hike; Spring Production 4.

JO ANN BARRY
"I gotta be me!"
Varsity Softball 3; Varsity Softball 4; Yearbook 3; Library Aide 4.

JOHN BROWE demonstrating his artwork for Parents' Night.
The Little Groves Of Maple Trees

LINDA MARIE BISSONETTE
"Like the clouds in a clear blue sky
Like a butterfly on a fresh spring day
I've tried in my own way; to be free."
English Representative 1; Prop Manager—Bye Bye Birdie 2; Winter Carnival Committee 2; Junior Prom 3; Wrestling Auxiliary Alternate 3; Wrestling Bookkeeper 3; V. I. C. A. member 3; V. I. C. A. Treasurer 4.

JENNIFER LOUISE BROUGHTON
"My interest is in the future; because I shall spend the rest of my life there."
Field Hockey J. V. 2, V. 3, 4; Graduation Organist 2; Yearbook 2; Human Values Day Comm. 1, 2; Student Council 1, 2; Class Officer 2; Business Club 3; Senior Hike 4; Winter Carnival Comm. 1, 2; V. I. C. A. 3, 4.

JOHN PAUL BROWE
"Two roads diverged in a woods
And I took the one less traveled by,
That's made all the difference."
Photography 1, 2; Chorus 1, 2; Spring Production 2.

CHARLES ROY BOOSKA
"I'm glad to be back at VUHS; glad that graduation is coming soon."
J. V. Wrestling 1-3.

Jo Ann Barry is busy with the library's card file.

WILLIAM H. BROWN
"You're just lucky you're bigger than I am."
Baseball: J. V. 1, 2; V. 3, 4; X-Country 1; Basketball J. V. 1; Photography 1, 2.
"I see you," says Don Carney, while in study hall.

PAMELA JEAN BRUNET
"Once asked of regret
And I made reply:
To have held the bird,
And let it fly."
Chorus 2; Tutoring 2; Nurse's Aide 2; Junior Prom Comm. 3.

DONALD WILLIAM CARNEY
"It is the glory of some men to write well, and of others not to write at all."
Wrestling 1-4; Sadie Hawkins Queen 4; Senior Hike 4; Junior Prom Comm. 3.

LOREN G. BRUNET
"I did nothing in particular, and I did it very well."

JOCELYN MARY CHARBONNEAU
"Common lap kitch sardin a poor floundin"
Chorus 1; Gymnastics 2-4; Softball 2-4; Prom Comm. 3; Office Aide 3, 4; Yearbook 3.
Shed Light On Yours

LAURA JEAN CHARBONNEAU
"Life can be short or long,
Enjoy it while you can."
Basketball: J. V. 1, 2, V. 3, 4;
Field Hockey V. 3, 4.

CHESTER WALTER CLARK
"When you mess with the Best, you
die with rest."

PETER E. CURLER
"Ain't none of you big enough."
F. F. A. 1-4; J. V. Baseball.

ELAINE HUSK CUSHMAN
"If it had been as I intended I
wouldn't have the peace I know."
Basketball 1-4; Field Hockey 2-4;
co-capt. 2, 4; Class Officers Sec-
retary 1, President 2, Treasurer 3;
Audio Visual Aide 1; Student
Council 2; Yearbook 2; Junior
Prom Comm. 3; Travel Club 2;
National Honor Society 3, 4; Sec-
retary 4; Oral Interpretation 2-4;
Student Advisor 4.

MICHAEL RENE DELPHIA
"Enough work to do, enough
strength to do the work."
Photography 1; Chorus 1, 2.

Pam Brunet flashes a smile while
painting the walls in the Home-Ec
room.
DENISE ANN DIONNE
"It is great to be a senior. To get out of school this year, I've worked for 12 hard years for this."
Transfer 3.

WANDA JEAN ELZINGA
"Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me."
Basketball: V. 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Tutoring 1; German Club 4; Yearbook 1–4; Library Aide 2; Chorus 1, 2.

ANGELA W. DYKEMA
"All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen."
Chorus 1, 2; National Honor Society 3, 4; Spring Production 2; Library Aide 1; FBLA 3.

JAMES C. EMERSON
"I was going to say something dirty, but!"
Basketball: J. V. 1, 2; V. 4; Soccer Manager 3, 4; Baseball: J. V. 1, 2 V 3, 4; One Acts 2; Student Council 2, 4; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Ski Club 1–4; Golf Club 1; Winter Carnival Comm. 2–4; Spring Production 4.
Joy When I See You Here . . .

KATHY JEAN EPSTEIN
"A friend is the first person who comes in, when the rest of the world has gone out."
Field Hockey: V. 2-4, co-capt 3, capt. 4; Basketball: J. V. 2, V. 3, 4; Track 2, 4; Class President 3; Class Vice-President 4; Yearbook 2, 4; One-Acts 3; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Prom Court 3; National Honor Society: 3, 4; Vice-Pres. 4; Student Council 3; Girls' State Delegate 3.

MARY LOU FISK
"You are only on this earth once, so smile, and enjoy life."
Field Hockey J. V. 1; Junior Prom Comm. 3; V. I. C. A. 3, 4.

DANIEL E. ESSEX
"Good-humor makes all things tolerable."
Basketball: J. V. 1, 2, V. 3, 4; Baseball

LAURA MICHELE FARLEY
"The reason for living is love."
National Honor Society 3, 4, Pres. 4; Yearbook: 3, 4, Copy Editor 4; Bicentennial Senior 4; D. A. R. Good Citizen Award 4; United Nation's Pilgrimage Delegate 3; Chorus 1, 2; Spring Production 2;

Senior Class Officers: Merdy Mills--Secretary, Kathy Epstein--Vice-President, Kris Wernhoff--President, Paul Leach--Treasurer.
MARTIN ARTHUR FLEMING
"Defeat exists only in the minds of those who admit it."
X-Country 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Marble Island Student Symposium 4.

LAWRENCE MARK GEBO
"Some say to tie a wild animal up is to tame him but to tie me up is to break my spirit and what art thou without thy spirit."
Basketball: J.V. 1, 2; V. 3, 4;
Baseball: J.V. 1, 2; V. 3, 4;
Soccer: J.V. 1, 2; V. 3, 4; co-capt 3, 4;
Student Council: President 4;
FFA 3, 4; FFA District Reporter 4;
One-acts 1-4; Senior Play 3, 4;
Junior Prom Court 3; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Boy's State 3; Gymnastics Show 1, 2.

BONNIE JEAN GARDNER
"A smile is ever the most bright and beautiful with a tear upon it. What is the dawn without the dew? The tear is rendered by the smile precious above the smile itself."
Tutoring 1, 2; Yearbook: 2, 3, 4; Editor 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Chorus 2; Basketball: J.V. 1, 2; V. 3; Spring Production 2.

DANI LYNN FULFORD
"When you're little you're closer to flowers."
Cheerleading 1, 2, 4; Gymnastics 1, 2, 3; Yearbook 2, 4; Travel Club 2; Library Aide 1; Track 2; Field Hockey manager 4; Senior Hike 4; Winter Carnival 1-4; Junior Prom Comm. 3; National Honor Society 4; Gymnastic Show 2.

DENNIS PAUL GENDREAU
"No man ever yet became great by imitation."
Varsity Wrestling 1-4; State Champion 2.
"Smile, and I'll smile with you."
Basketball J.V. 1, 2; Junior Prom Comm. 3.

"I've lived half my life before I realized it was a do it yourself job!"

"The only way to have a friend is to be one."

Mark Gebo and Cathie Hughes demonstrate senior class closeness.
ROBERT CURTIS HALL
"Walk in wisdom toward them that are without.
Soccer: J.V. 1, 2; V. 3, 4; Ski Club 1-4; Student Council 4; Track 2-4; Golf 2, 3; Human Values Comm. 2, 3; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Senior Hike 4.

SANDRA JEAN HODGMAN
"Looking at the things that pass me by Wonderting if where I've been is worth the things I've been through."
Softball: J.V. 1, 2; V. 3; Student Council; Junior Prom Comm. 3.

CATHIE ANN HUGHES
"The moment is temporary, but the memory is forever."
Junior Prom Comm. 3; X-Country 1, 2; Track 1, 2, 4; Cheerleading 1-4; Winter Carnival Comm. 1-4; Senior Hike 4; National Honor Society 4; Band 1; Spring Production 4; Yearbook 2, 3; Gymnastic Show 1, 2; Travel Club 2; Pep Club 1, 4; Human Values Day Comm. 1, 2.

SIDNEY HUMISTON
"Life is a jigsaw puzzle with most of the pieces missing."

THOMAS HUSK, JR.
"All is fair in love and war Except there is not enough money."
National Honor Society 3, 4; District F.F.A. Treasurer 3; VICA Chairman Auto Mechanics 3; Jr. F.F.A. Treasurer 1.

M. BRENT JERGER
"Ford Mustang Fastest On Race Day"
Head Instead Of His Heart

KEVIN E. JEWELL
"I am a lover not a fighter."
V. I. C. A.; F. F. A.

KIERAN K. KILBRIDE
"Speak of the Devil and here I am."
Basketball 2, 3; Baseball 2; Student Council 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2; Senior Hike 4.

DAVID A. KITTREDGE
"The wind blows free
The eagles fly free
And I too, am free
Try to stop me from being free and
I too will fly away."
Varsity Wrestling 1-4.

Simple distraction takes Sandy's mind away from her IBM keyboard.
ROBERT JOESPHE LaBOMBARD
"The ripest fruit first falls."

LORI JANE LANGEWAY
"Be yourself and don't let anyone
tell you you're doing it wrong."

PAUL S. LEACH
"School is Bad enough
But at least
I'm not letting them
teach me anything"
X-Country 1-4; Basketball: J. V.
1-2, V 3, 4; Baseball: J. V. 1; V.
2; Track 3, 4; Student Council 3;
Junior Prom Comm. 3; Senior Class
Treasurer; Chess Club 2; Buggy
Pusher 4;

LORI ANN LITTLE
"Climb the mountains and get
their good tidings
Nature's peace will flow into you
as sunshine flows into trees."
Chorus 1, 2; French Club 2, 3;
Yearbook 2-4; Senior Section 4;
Travel Club 2; Spring Production 2;

Paul Leach takes a break from buggy-pushing.
Little History Of Our People

KATHLEEN ANN MACK
"I've got a mountain of dreams to climb and probably always will." Jr. Prom Committee 3; Jr. Prom Court 3; Senior Hike 4.

JOAN FLORENCE MARSHALL
"As we pass houses musing slowly, if they be occupied; So minds pass minds, if they be occupied." Gymnastics 1, 2; Manager 3, 4; Field Hockey manager 2, 3; Student Council 1, 2; Prom Committee 3; NHS 3, 4; Wrestling Auxiliary 4; F.B.L.A. 3, 4; V.I.C.A. 3.

KENNETH DOUGLAS MARTEL
"Today it takes more Brains and effort to make out the Income Tax Form than it does to make the Income." Track 1; Yearbook Business Manager 4.

BARBARA ANNE MARTINEC
"For every minute of anger, you lose sixty seconds of happiness." Field Hockey 2-4; Wrestling Auxiliary 1-4; Softball 1-4; Smoking Area Comm. 2; Student Council 1.

NICHOLAS STEPHEN MARTINEC
"The virtue of all achievement is victory over oneself: Those who know this victory can never know defeat." Soccer 1-4; Varsity Wrestling 1-4; Track 1; Soccer capt. 4; Wrestling capt. 4; Baseball 4.

Joan Marshall and Tammy Barrows going through some steps in dance class.
We Thank You For Coming

JANTHONI McEVILLA
"Not finished just begun"
Gymnastics 2, 4.

MEREDITH ELLEN MILLS
"What is life? It is the flash of a firefly in the night. It is the breath of a buffalo in the winter time. It is the little shadow which runs across the grass and loses itself in the sunset."
Field Hockey 2, 3; Gymnastics 2, 3; Yearbook 2, 4; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Class Secretary 4; Track 4; Winter Carnival 2, 3; Spring Production 4; Student Council 1; Buggy Pusher 4.

NANCY LEE McNULLA
"I found hope from the light of the stars, that sang in the sun like a sail in the wind now I can fly."
Field Hockey: J.V. 1, 2; V. 3, 4; Basketball: J.V. 1-2, V. 3; Cheerleading: V. 4; Softball: V. 1, 2; Class Vice President 1, 2, 3; National Honor Society: 3, 4; Girl's State Delegate 3; Junior Prom Comm. 3; Junior Prom Court 3; Senior Hike 4; Student Council 2.

MICHAEL LOUIS MILLER
"Although I stand alone... it feels like we're all standing together."
V. I, C, A.

Merdy Mills finishes her buggy-pushing lap.
THEODORE G. MURIN
"Those who think they know it all disturb those of us who do."
Chess Club: 1-4; V. Pres 2; Pres. 3, 4; Golf 1-4; Boys State 3; National Honor Society 3, 4; Buggy Pusher 4.

RUSSELL A. RAYMOND
"It's easy being an angel as long as no one ruffles your feathers."
FFA 1; X-Country manager 2; V. I. C. A. 3, 4.

WILLIAM E. REED
"Never become annoyed at any man because he knows more than you do. After all, that's your fault, not his."
X-Country 1-3; Field Hockey V. 4; Basketball J. V. 2; V. 3, 4; co-capt 3; Track 1; Softball 1-4; capt. 3; Student Council Vice-President 4; Pep Club 1-4; Varsity Club 2; Girls State alternate 3;

DONNA MARIE RIVERS
"Be yourself: an original is always better than any copy."
V. I. C. A.

"Man's reach should exceed his grasp or that is heaven for."

Janthoni McEvilla cracks up during a break in gymnastics class.
URBAN ROY SHEPARD, JR.
"I saw the light."
F.F.A. 1.

SUSAN MAY SHORTSLEEVE
"The day in which we have not laughed is useless."
J.V. Cheerleading 2; Varsity Cheerleading 3, 4; Pep Club 2-4; Prom Committee 3; Yearbook Senior Section 4; National Honor Society 4; Senior Hike 4.

DORIS KIM SMITH
"Accept me as I am; only then will we discover each other."
Field Hockey 2-4; Office Aide 3, 4; Library Aide 1; Yearbook Senior Section 4; Jr. Prom Committee 3.

CHRISTOPHER PAUL SORRELL
"But for the grace of God go I."
Wrestling; Soccer; V.I.C.A. Reporter
MARY ANNE TORREY
"Beautiful things are seldom easy," Jr. Prom Committee 3.

DARRELL RAE TUCKER
"Have I got a deal for you!" V.I.C.A. President 4; V.I.C.A. 3; V.I.C.A. Auto Shop Rep. 3.

JACK H. TYNAN
"If a person has pride, it will be reflected in his way of life." J.V. Soccer 1, 2; Varsity Soccer 4; J.V. Basketball 1, 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; J.V. Baseball 2; Varsity Baseball 4; Student Council 2; Senior Hike 4; Winter Carnival Comm. 1-4; Jr. Prom Comm. 3; Show night 2; German Travel Club 3; Buggy Pusher 4; Senior Play 4.

"Honestly", Jack Tynan said, "I didn't do it!"

SHERRIE ANN VAUSE
"Deal with it before it happens. Set things in order before there is confusion." Softball 1-4; Chorus 1-4; Student Council 1; Basketball 1, manager 2; Winter Carnival Comm. 1-4; Office Aide 1, 2; One Acts 1, 4; Human Values Day 2.

KRI$$ DANA WERNHOFF
"The deepest feeling always shows itself in silence." J.V. Basketball 1, 2; Varsity Basketball 3, 4; X-country 2, 3; Track 4; Jr. Prom Comm. 5; Jr. Prom Court 3; Class Marshall 3; Class President 4; Boys State Alternate 3; Chess Club; Student Council; Buggy Pusher 4; Senior Play.
The Changes Of Fortune

DARLENE DEE WHITCOMB
"Live for today for tomorrow might never be."
X-country 1, 2; Track 1, 4; Chorus 1; National Honor Society 4.

SCOTT M. WILBER
"The most beautiful sight I have ever seen is a field of grass growing free and green."
J. V. Basketball 2; Chess Club 2, 3.

STELLA M. WILDASIN
"Peace be with you even when things go the wrong way."
V. I. C. A. 3, 4; Nurse's Aide 2, 3, 4.

LARRY PAUL WOLK
"If I'm not with the one I love I love the one I'm with."
Transfer 4; Basketball V. 4.

RANDY LEE YANTZ
"Do it til you're satisfied!"
X-Country 1, 2, 3; Track 3, 4; F. F. A. 1; V. I. C. A. 3, 4.

Why aren't you studying, Scott?
Today's Seniors Yesterday
Jim

Best Wishes to

A fine young man

Your assistance has been most appreciated.

Jim Finan

Mr. Brown

[Note: The handwriting is not clearly legible in the image.]
SCHOOL POPULATION
Which Would You Prefer?

We compared this year's juniors to juniors in other schools and found some striking results. Juniors in other places seem very drab and lack school spirit. The V.U.H.S. Junior, however, won out by far for being lively in such school activities as drama, prom committee and sports, and for rating exceedingly high in school spirit.

And you ask the cost? Well, is there a surprise for you! Our junior succeeds with little cost or effort, while the ordinary junior spends more time with fewer results. And economy! Our junior gets approximately five hours of spirit and cheering time with only one five-minute break. The competitor can only do two hours of spirit and cheering time with three ten-minute breaks.

Which would you prefer?

Tom Bodette
Steve Burlock
Kyle Bushey
Paula Bushey
Tom Casey
Tracy
Chamberlain
Lela Claflin
Tom Clark
Kevin Cole
Martin Connors
Cindy Cooke
Judy Coyle
Michelle
Cunningham
Lori Davis
Richard
Dessureault
Eddie Devino
Kathy Dickerson
Sharon Donnelly
Anne Duany
Anita Dubois
Karen Epstein
Ken Epstein
Veronica
Fairbrother
Joe Gaines
Lyle Gallowson
Mary Ann
Gendreau
Alice Gosliga
Mary Haines

Mark
Adams
Cheryl
Aunchman
Bill
Austin
Kelly
Barrows
Bob
Belanus
Lisa
Bemis

The Junior Class officers are: Nancy Marshall, President; Kelly Barrows, Vice-president; Anne Duany, Secretary; Joe Pollender, Treasurer.
Ann Duany glides across the library floor in dance workshop.

"Did Mac see that?" wonders Nancy Marshall and Karen Epstein.

Diane Humiston
Matt Husk
Meg Irion
Karen Jerome

Brenda Jimmo
Brian Kayhart
Laurie Kerr
Jacque Litch

Jeannine Litch
Phyllis Lowry
Bruce Many
Nancy Marshall

Karen McDermott
Jayne McEvilla
Joanne McEvilla
Arthur Miller

Laurence Miller
Lisa Mills
David Miner
Betsy Mitchell

Dean Muniz
Elisa Ouellette
Beth Pidgeon
Pamela Pierce

Marie Polchies
Wilfred Pollender
Louis Provencher
Pamela Provost
LuAnne Ringer
Susan Rivait

Mark Sleeper
Jeff Tanner
James Tatro
John Tisbert
Shari VanDeWeert
Neal Van Wyck

Dianne Villeneuve
Mark Wilson
Kermit Wrisley
Cynthia Yandow
Cindy Yantz
Using calculators to work out an involved physics equation, Sophomore JoAnne Bodette and Senior Darlene Whitcomb explained their work to parents at the November open house.

In the German II class play, Daryl Fulford and Bill Vincent deliver their lines fluently.
Year Worth Recalling

This year's Sophomores make up quite a class. We are well-known for our participation in the wide field of activities of V.U.H.S., such as French club, photography, yearbook, band and the many sports that are offered.

Also this year, we are going to be buying class rings, from a new company which offers less expensive rings of high quality.

Mrs. Crocker's English class is planning to paint a mural in the office lobby area, and the theme they've chosen to portray is the Revolution. Meanwhile, the rest of the class is involved in class projects that demand equal attention.

We Sophomores are trying to rally up the class spirit for the coming bicentennial year. You might say that this year's motto is "Get involved." We are greatly encouraging joining the various clubs to rid our class of apathy.

We are trying to catch the spirit of the bicentennial and improve the conditions which surround us.

Lance Foerch
Lorri Gebo
Bobby Glover
Darlene Gould
Cheri Grant
Mike Hallock
Tina Hamel
Laurie Heath
James Hinkle
Robert Hunt
Mike Hutchins
Scott Jackson
Jeff James
Brenda Jerger
Randy Jerome
Loren Kandzior
Rusty Kasupski
Sean Kilbride
Judy Labombard
Jim Laflam
Laurie Laflin
Billy Leach
Ursula Lozier
Vincent Marback
Tom McClay
Roxanne McGuire
Donna Miller
Timmy Mott
Kathy Myers
Tom O'Brien
Marlene Oulette
Raymond Paronto
Cindy Pidgeon
Mike Plankey
Kate Pollender
Billy Poquette
Laurie Potter
Cindy Provost
Leonard Rheume
Leslie Ritchie
Teresa Rivers
Mike Roberts

Jenny Emerson
Ruth Fitz-Gerald
Lee Fleming
Kevin Flynn

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Sophomores Get Involved

Jim Laflam and John Allo guarding the J.V. cheerleading practice. Susan Brigan continues her cheer.

The Sophomore class officers are: FRONT -- Sharon Baker, Secretary; David Bodette, V-Pres.; Lori Dan­yow, Treas. BACK -- Laurie Laflin, President.
Freshmen — A Close, Crazy Class

Mark Arnell
Mark Aubin
Pam Aunchman
Joe Austin
Shari Baker
Vernon Baker
Doug Barry

Jeanette Beenen
Corinne Bemis
David Bicknell
Francie Bienvenue
Rodney Blacklock
Andre Bolduc
Debbie Booth

Kelly Brinkman
Kevin Brooks
Lisa Brunet
Carl Bushee
Roberta Bushey
Wendy Campell
David Carney

Mary Chapman
Scott Chase
Kevin Cooke
Dolly Coyle
Ken Curler
Steve Dejong
Darrell Delisle

Kim Delorme
Wendy Dickerson
Selena Dike
Eddy Dionne
John Dykema
Dave Emerson

Roxanne Emilo
Christina Fagan
Randy Fairbrother
Linda Farley
Steve Farnsworth
Debbie Francis

Dwayne Fulford
Vickie Gardner
Barbara Gebo
Michlynn Gevry
Mark Gilbert
Vicky Gilbert

Jimmy Glover
Shelly Godard
Sherry Godard
Geraldine Gosliga
Ken Haggett
Bob Hillman
Laurie Hunt

Rose Hutchins
Sherry Jerome
Cheryl Jimmo
John Kerr
Tara Kilbride
This year is a new year for new faces. The Freshman class was welcomed into Senior High on Freshman Day, November 14th, as the girls and boys switched roles, boys dressing as women and girls as men.

Each person seemed to have learned something of value over the summer, whether maturity or new bits of knowledge. For example, in Junior High the boys showed their affection toward girls with kicks, pulls of hair and meaningless words. Now in High School, boys are more likely to ask the girls to dances, movies, to walk home, or even ask, "May I carry your books?"

The class is one of the closest and craziest that has entered V.U.H.S.

Class officers are Andre Bolduc, President; Scott Chase, Vice-President; Sherry Godard, Secretary; Shelly Godard, Treasurer.
Eighth Graders Read Huck Finn;

Betsy Adams
Laurie Allo
George
Anderson
Margaret
Badore
John Baker
Sean
Barrows
Joanne Beenai
Dennis Benoit
Timmy
Bicknell
Lori Bigelow
Penny
Birchmore
Diana Booth
Tom Brigan
Cheryl
Brinkman
Dennis
Brinkman
Paula Brunet
Frank Bushey
Melody Camp
Doug Carney
Monice Caron
Julie Chase

The eighth grade sold magazines this year for a project to help their treasury. They have been competing in school sports. In English they have been reading such books as THE CALL OF THE WILD, TEEN SPELL, HUCKLEBERRY FINN and ROBIN HOOD. Most of the students seem interested.

Mrs. Norton's French I class put on a puppet show, and Mr. Ward's class held class for a week as it was held in the olden days.

Dawn
Claflin
Timmy
Condon
Jeff
Couch

Susan
Coyle
Gret
Curler
John
Curler

Kevin
Delphia
Theresa
Desuireault
Danny
Devoid

Julie
Emerson
Ron
Epstein
Carol
Fagan

Bob
Grover
Lindy
Guyette
Laurie
Haines

Joanne
Curtis
Jimmy
Dam
Michelle
Dellisle

Bonnie
Dickerson
Norman
Dunham
Arlene
Easter

Holly
Franklin
Donny
Gebo
Lisa
Gebo
A cheese fondue is Carol Fagan's and Sally Pierce's home-ec project.

Ron Epstein and Ann Pollender rest before putting on their play for Parents' Night.
Seventh Graders Keep Busy

The Seventh grade was busy in early November selling magazines for the magazine drive in and around Vergennes. They read TOM SAWYER and went on the Long Trail with Mr. Usher. They planned a dance for Jr. High only in the spring. Several 7th graders attended the drama workshop; and they were included in the "Writers in the Schools" creative program in English.

Seventh graders seem to have mixed reactions in music class.
Seventh graders re-enacted an olden days classroom for Parents Night. Pictured are Robby Irion, Frank Galuszka, and Clint Moore.
Seventh grade class officers: Janice Newhall--Tres.; Jeff Farnsworth--Pres.; Brett Flegenheimer--Vice Pres.; Jeff O'Brien--Sec.
Larry Aldinger, Social Studies, Coaches V. Boys' Sr. Hi. baseball, enjoys photography, local history and politics.

Chezie Angier, Phys. Ed., Coaches gymnastics, hockey, sponsors Teens for Retarded, likes all sports.

Bob Barlow, Math, writes, farms, enjoys photography and environmental studies.

Ethelyn Bartlett, Art, Cross Country coach, likes basketball, loves to draw.

John Burton, Math; sophomore advisor, likes hockey.

BELOW LEFT: Mary Ann Campbell, English; just spent a year in Spain.

BELOW MIDDLE: Bill Conners, Phys. Ed.; coaches golf team, ski club, likes to play golf.

Members of the Science Department delight in lollipops and brain power.

Faculty Is Young And Energetic

The V. U. H. S. faculty reflects an educational trend which values variety in experience, age, interest and skill. The result is a group who works well together and gets along.

The combination of young and older teachers has created a new atmosphere in which students are treated more as individuals and young adults.

Harmon Boyce, Vo. Ag.; F.F.A. advisor, likes to travel and ride motorcycles.

Evelyn Burke, Math; plays bridge, officer of Bixby Library, rides horses and water skis. Likes to dance.

Pam Cox, Social Studies; advises Student Council, plays piano and paints.

Maida Crocker, English, French; advises Drama Club, Honor Society, French Club and Junior Class, likes skiing and reading.
Mary Ann Kulig, Math; Jr. Hi. Softball coach, likes hiking and motorcycling.


LEFT: Jeff Minns, English; coaches JV Wrestling, Jr. Hi. Soccer & Wrestling, likes skiing.

Bob McNamara, Science; coaches Var. Wrestling, plays guitar, enjoys camping and hiking.

Ron Mc Kinnon, Science; audio visual, enjoys films, flying and sci-fi games.

Susan Mosher, Math; coaches Girls Track, Senior Class advisor, likes swimming and skiing.

Scott Lynk, Ind. Arts; Var. Girls Softball, Sr. class advisor, collects old lamps.

Gail Lynk, Reading Specialist; likes skiing and sewing.

The library turns into a dance studio when Librarian Beth Phillips conducts her dance workshop.
One event at the November Open House was a video tape of Ron McKinnon's 8th Grade science class.

Ellen Norton, French; Asst. sponsor of French Club, likes to read, travel and watch sports events.

Joy Ostovitz, German; advises German Club, likes to travel and eat.

Thelma Oxholm, Self-contained 7th Grade; likes skiing, takes classes at UVM.

Beth Phillips, Librarian; does modern dance and enjoys skiing.

Nancy Prescott, English; director of 1 act, likes to read and garden.

BELOW: Kathy Spaulding, English; co-sponsor Teens for Retarded, enjoys photography and raising sheep dogs.

Using natural, relaxed gestures is important in drama, as Mrs. Crocker illustrates to her drama workshop.

Jay Rogers, English; director of 1 act play, enjoys hunting, fishing and collecting antiques.

Mary Ann Sessa, Reading Specialist; enjoys reading, skiing, canoeing.

Ann Sullivan, Jr. Hi. reading teacher; plays bridge, sings in church choir.

Michael Thibault, Business; coaches J.V. Boys BB. and Baseball, enjoys skiing, bicycled cross country last summer.

Charles Usher, Soc. Studies; Var. Soccer coach, likes railroads, sports, antiques.
Mrs. Roberts, Secretary, Guidance Dept.

Richard Burke, Guidance Counselor; likes to golf, boat and collect campaign buttons.

Renate Hoinkes, Guidance Counselor; enjoys skiing, tennis, skating and swimming.

Mrs. Roberts, Secretary, Guidance Dept.

Nancy Vandenburg, Science; enjoys cross country, horseback riding, swimming, reading, ice skating, writing poetry.

Art Ward, Social Studies; enjoys tennis, chess, hockey and soccer.

Earl Weeks, Science; likes music and sports.

Richard Wheeler, Music; enjoys boating, hunting, and tennis.

Jon Yarnall, Social Studies; coaches Girls Var. BB, J.V. Boys Soccer, J.V. Girls Softball, advises Senior Class, likes music.

Fran Allo, Jr. Hi. Study Hall; class advisor, cheerleading advisor, likes to dance.

Cheryl Lowry, Asst. to Title I program.

Sue Fitzpatrick, counselor to Title I program.

Clare Coady, School Nurse; enjoys knitting and crocheting.

Richard Burke, Guidance Counselor; likes to golf, boat and collect campaign buttons.

Renate Hoinkes, Guidance Counselor; enjoys skiing, tennis, skating and swimming.

The band, under the direction of Mr. Wheeler, performed for parents at the Open House.

Mary Ann Kulig practices giving artificial respiration.

Marilyn Woods, Title I photography teacher, confers with Mr. Fitzpatrick.
Administrators Are Middlemen

Typically, high school administrators are middlemen between the community and students. Each population has its own demands. Keeping these demands in proper perspective while continually striving to provide quality education with tight funds is a difficult task.

Much of this year's efforts have been aimed at making the community and students more aware of their school, its successes, problems and needs. One means of doing this was the November 19 Open House, which successfully demonstrated the kinds of efforts faculty and students are making.

Hopefully, with a better informed public, the students and the community will support decisions that give purpose and direction to their school.
James Fitzpatrick, Principal; plays banjo and guitar, likes woodworking and dancing. Michael Burke, Vice-Principal; enjoys skiing, raising hogs, smoking pigs, and burning wood to heat his home. Mrs. Marjorie Sweet, Secretary to Principal; enjoys her garden and flower beds, likes to ice skate and hike. Mrs. Anita Godard, Central Office Secretary; loves to dance, garden, cook, knit and swim.

LEFT: David Potter, Superintendent of Schools LOWER LEFT: Mrs. Lois Thurber, Secretary. LOWER RIGHT: Asst. Superintendent, Raymond Davidson.
School Cooks: Mrs. Mack, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Thiess, Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Jewell, Mrs. Clifford, Mrs. Litch and Mrs. Smith.

As part of the continual effort to keep things clean, Mrs. Anderson scrubs the sink.

Slicing meat for sandwiches, Mrs. Thiess and Mrs. Baldwin operate a couple of the kitchen's time-saving gadgets.
Cooks, Custodians And Bus Drivers; Early Morning Regulars

If you happen to get to school before the normal 8:00 crowd, you’re apt to meet the early morning regulars: a custodian doing a last minute fix-it job, a cook getting out the day’s ingredients -- or if you’re very early -- a bus driver pulling out to gather a load of students.

Cooks, Custodians, bus drivers -- all of these people contribute in ways that aren’t always obvious, and usually are not noticed until we need someone to repair a desk or open a door, or we glut ourselves on the lunchroom’s delicious Thanksgiving dinner.

The building is in better shape than it has been in years, lunch is still many students’ favorite part of the day, and we continue to trust our bus drivers to get everyone safely to and from school, field trips and activities. That trust, and automatic assumption that the job will be done, is perhaps the highest tribute we can pay.

One of a custodian’s jobs is to oversee building improvements, and here Mr. Hall inspects Wendy Campbell’s paint job, as she helps to redecorate the Home Ec. room.

Custodians TOP TO BOTTOM: Mr. John Kipp, Mr. Dana Hall, Mr. Pete Strobridge, Mr. Cliff Rivers and Mr. Boyd.
ACADEMICS
English Combines Fundamentals With High Interest Activities

TOP LEFT: As if the devil himself were after them, these students eagerly pass in the English papers to Mr. Minns. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Prescott examines a project made by a student during their study on Mark Twain. BOTTOM: During second term, Mrs. Crocker's English class studied the difficult novel CANTICLE FOR LEIBOWITZ. Working on study questions are Janice McEvilla, Chris Bushey, Jeff Tanner, Ed Devino, Francis Lalumiere, Joe Birkett and Randy Provencher.
This year the English Department, with Jay Rogers as new department chairman, continued to stress a well-rounded program. A traditional curriculum of the fundamentals of writing, reading and speaking was enhanced with interesting field trips, feature films, new reading selections and other communication media.

Elective courses allowed the student to delve more deeply into interesting fields, and to find areas that met his or her needs. Through U.V.M., a college course in American Literature was offered to juniors and seniors the second semester.
TOP RIGHT: Eight graders perform LE DINER for their classmates. MIDDLE: Ms. Ostovitz's German II class singing Christmas carols for a seventh grade class. BOTTOM LEFT: "Entender-moi" urges Mrs. Crocker. BOTTOM RIGHT: The Table 10 Spanish class taught by Mr. Krasnow.
The V.U.H.S. language department attempts to bring foreign language to life by offering opportunities to hear and speak outside the classroom. French class trips to attend plays presented in French, or of French origin, as well as excursions to Montreal, contribute to these efforts. Class projects, often involving cooking, allow students to explore the countries where French is spoken.

Interested German students worked hard to earn money for a trip to Germany, and if that plan failed, they expected to visit Pennsylvania Dutch country in the spring, to learn more about the German-speaking Amish.

An impromptu Spanish course sprang up in 3rd period study hall, when several students persuaded Mr. Krasnow that they were interested enough in learning another language to warrant his obtaining used text books for them.
Science Department Works Hard
To Keep Up With New Methods

As the field and teaching methods change, the Science Department, under Department Chairman Wayne Ganson, has worked hard to keep abreast. The department has purchased subscriptions to many science magazines for use in chemistry, physics and computer programming.

Mr. McKinnon, in trying to make chemistry the exciting subject it should be, has included such areas as tool forging and pottery making, and has taken students on field trips to observe these skills. Physics students have made plots of the earth's orbit around the sun, and have done many math equations to define velocity, mass and volume. They are able to use pocket calculators to solve these problems.

Ms. Vandenburg's biology classes took field trips to Dead Creek to study biological forms of life.

TOP LEFT: Checking what to do next, Mary Haines reads while Brenda Jimmo enters an observation in her notebook. TOP RIGHT: "This will make me the ruler of Room 102," gloats Peter Jewell, as he connects the fuses. MIDDLE: Checking the notes on the board are Pat Sheerin and Lori Adams in "Problems in Biology" class. BOTTOM: "Uhg, hurry and fill that bottle!"
TOP LEFT: Jim Emerson, Kim Schroeder and Don Stonge watch a comrade connect the battery. TOP MIDDLE: Connecting wires for his creation is Steve Delphia. TOP RIGHT: Bob Belanus carefully weighs some chemicals for a chemistry experiment. BOTTOM RIGHT: Eighth grade science looks like fun for Sally Pierce and Monica Caron.
TOP LEFT: Each Thursday is project day in Ms. Cox’s 8th grade social studies classes. Here students work on map making. TOP RIGHT: Lindy Guyette and Courtney Sears copying a U.S. map. BOTTOM: Working at the Elementary School as their career choice for "Operation Shadow", Sherry Jerome and Kim Delorme help with recess.
Social Studies is often thought to be just the study of geography, the imports and exports of Brazil, and the Civil War. The Social Studies Department at V.U.H.S. has strived to change this tradition by innovating new courses, team teaching, and arranging many out-of-class activities.

The 7th grade class studied old coins and Greek Mythology, and took hikes on the Long Trail for a closer understanding of their surroundings.

The freshmen students in American Political Behavior had a major project this year entitled "Operation Shadow". Each student chose a career and attended a regular full-paying job for a day to see what they thought of their choices.

One of the largest bicentennial projects in Vergennes was a Bicentennial Christmas Card designed and silk-screened by the History through Art Class, with help from the Graphic Arts Department.

Mr. Art Ward again served as Department chairman.
Musicians Entertain

Energy, hard practice, and pure dedication are the demands for membership in the band and chorus of V.U.H.S. The students involved meet these demands, and put much preparation and fine-tuning into their concerts. This spring, the band and chorus will again be involved in the Spring Production, one of the music department's major efforts of the year.

Music students have been earning money this year by sponsoring dime-and-a-half dip suppers, though they haven't yet decided what the money will be used for.

TOP: In concert, the junior high band members treat their classmates to some of their music. MIDDLE: Getting in some extra practice, David Tisbert, Cookie Thomas and Steve Farnsworth work on a new piece. LOWER LEFT: At work in the music room, Jeff Couch and Mr. Wheeler ponder a musical difficulty. LOWER RIGHT: In a solitary moment, Ben Prescott practices a trumpet solo.
Mathematics Department Expands Its Courses

The math program in 1975-1976 included a new course CONSUMER MATHEMATICS for 10th grade students who are involved with vocational school plans.

The Calculus course, offered the year before as a university extension course, is now offered as part of the regular mathematics program.

Life Service Mathematics students have heard a variety of speakers and been involved in field trips to allow them to apply math skills discussed in their classes.

This year also saw the addition of Mrs. Alice Maurer as a part-time aide for the math department. Her main duty involves working with small groups of students having difficulties in their regular math class.

TOP: Getting some help from Mrs. Burke with her math problems is Betsy Adams. MIDDLE RIGHT: "Hey, that's easy," laughs Nancy Marshall while Karen Epstein finishes the problem. MIDDLE LEFT: Smiling over finished homework are Steve Delphia and Mrs. Mosher. BOTTOM RIGHT: Patty Elzinga and Kate Pollender ponder over one of Mr. Barlow's geometry problems. BOTTOM LEFT: "The answer is....", Mr. Burton explains the advanced math equation to Lisa Mills.
TOP RIGHT: Part of girls phys. ed. instruction is learning the fundamentals of gymnastics, which includes balance of the type Lori Adams is demonstrating. In the background, Mrs. Angier instructs Kathy Dickerson. FAR LEFT: Jr. High boys test their strength on the ropes. UPPER MIDDLE: Waiting for things to begin, Bill Poquette, Bill Leach and Kim Schroeder lounge on the bleachers. MIDDLE RIGHT: Boys phys. ed. classes enjoy playing volleyball, as shown by Pierre Angier’s mighty effort to get the ball across. LOWER MIDDLE: The uneven bars event is considered the most difficult in gymnastics. Jody McEvilla begins by balancing on the lower bar. LOWER RIGHT: On Open House night, both boys and girls phys. ed. classes performed, and here Wendy Dickerson demonstrates a walk over.
Phys Ed — A Time To Move Around

The VUHS Physical Education program, under the direction of Bill Conners and Cherie Angier, continued to combine a concern for the cooperative skills learned in team sports with the personal satisfaction of improving in an individual sport. Therefore, aside from regular in-school activities, Mrs. Angier supervised weekly trips to the bowling alley and roller skating rink, and Mr. Conners took groups skiing at Snow Bowl on Saturdays. Cross country ski fans spent Thursday afternoons at Blueberry Hill while the snow lasted.

One rather special off-shoot of the roller skating program was the participation by five girls in the Teens for Retarded Special Olympics in November. These girls raised over $1,000 in sponsorships, and all managed to skate the required 24 hours.

**UPPER LEFT:** Most students enjoy their turn at the trampoline, and S. Godard gets ready to go. **MIDDLE LEFT:** Kevin Lecompt pauses while he's on top, as David Bodette shouts encouragement to the underdog. **LOWER LEFT:** Paul Pierce runs laps in the gym. **UPPER MIDDLE:** Students had the opportunity to bowl one evening a week in the fall, and here Lisa Cousino begins her approach while Kim Delorme watches the pins. **LOWER MIDDLE:** VUHS's Roll-a-thon skaters: Mary Haines, Karen Jerome, Kathy Epstein and Luanne Ringer. **FAR RIGHT:** Jayne McEvilla grinningly grabs her bowling ball.
Mr. Boyce, who heads the Vocational Agriculture Department, teaches courses on a two-year basis, the first year students learning plant and soil science, and animal science. The second year student then graduates to learning shop skills such as welding, small engine work, electricity and the rules of safe tractor operation. A major project this year, and one which benefited the school as a whole, was the construction of wooden benches for the school lobby by the Wood Working I class.

Vo-Ag and F.F.A. activities are interwoven, since about 90% of the ag students are also F.F.A. members, and many of the skills students learn in class apply directly to problems in F.F.A. judging contests.

TOP LEFT: With care and patience, Ricky Brunet works a blow torch in the shop. TOP RIGHT: The lobby benches at their assembling stage, Mr. Boyce gives instruction to Tom O'Brien and Kyle Bushey. MIDDLE: Ricky Davis takes pains not to make a mistake working with the automatic sander. BOTTOM LEFT: Another possibility in Vo-Ag. is independent study, and here Henry Dykema (using Jim Tatro's overalls) works on his truck motor. BOTTOM RIGHT: Showing signs of end-of-the-period anxiety, Mike Miller finds a comfortable spot to wait.

Vo-Ag
Many of the projects being done around school this year, as improvements, have had some connection with Mr. Lynk and his clan of merry sawmen. Whenever there is a demand for some structural prop, be it for a play or for the prom, the shop students work voluntarily, and complete the project with excellent craftsmanship.

This last summer they completed canoes for physical education classes, and they are now working on fiberglass bows for archery. If your carburetor has a problem the automotive class will look it over, and the graphics class obligingly makes tickets, posters and rubber stamps for individuals and organizations.
Art Adds Holiday Spark

One of the Art Department's contributions to this year's unusually spirited Christmas season was stained glass window decorations in the office lobby. Laurie Heath and Marie Polchies are shown putting up one of the displays. Aside from all her extra decorating projects, Mrs. Bartlett gives classes to high school and junior high students in drawing, crafts, jewelry making and ceramics.

Library Is Alive

The library is to serve students—to stimulate them and perhaps help them see new directions; and to provide them means for finding information. Despite the state accrediting board's contention that the space is too small and the staff overworked, VUHS's library has a broad range of programs. Beth, the librarian, gives introductory sessions to English classes on the materials available, opens the doors to classes doing special research, provides periodic film days, and this year had a special week of activities during National Education Week. A psychiatrist spoke on drugs, two UVM students conducted drama games one day, and a Sugarbush restaurant owner allowed students to eat the results of his dessert-making demonstration another day. Students have come to expect new displays and happenings, and whether they're up to the changes or not, in the library there's energy stirring.
Again this year the school has a program for aiding junior high students with their reading. This program is administered through Title 1 and local supportive services. Gail Lynk, coordinator of Title 1 in the Addison Northwest district, heads the reading program, and other teachers include Mrs. Sessa, Mrs. Oxholm, and Mrs. Sullivan. Sheryl Lowry serves as an aide.

The aim of the program is to better each student's skills. Small classes and individual attention brings an improvement in skill areas and the child's own personal image.

This year a photography program is available through a federal grant to aid potential drop-outs. There are about 10 selected students who work with Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Woods, and W. S. DiPiero.

TOP: Helping students with their reading is Mrs. Oxholm. MIDDLE RIGHT: Marion Davis smiles up from her work in Mrs. Lynk's room. MIDDLE LEFT: Mrs. Marilyn Woods hangs pictures taken by some of the Title 1 students. BOTTOM: The students of the Title 1, Part B photography program.
Home Ec. And Drivers' Ed Serve Students

"I like it!" "It gives me a headache." "At least it couldn't be worse than it was before," commented passers by as they saw the Home Ec. room turning a flashy lime green. The contest for the best redecorating scheme (won by Sherry Godard and Wendy Campbell) changed the drab room into a place students enjoy, partly because they had a hand in the re-creation.

Mrs. Nancy Emberly, new to the school this year, taught 6 classes in the Home Ec. area, including family living, sewing and foods and nutrition. She arranged several successful field trips, one being a tour of area homes to see different styles of interior decoration.

Mr. Guyette continued the service to students of offering Drivers' Education, instruction which they must have to obtain drivers' permits.
Business And Guidance

The Business Education department, under the leadership of Mr. Thibault, offers three courses--Typing I, Personal Use Typing, and Accounting I. Students take these courses for pre-vocational training or for their own self-gratification.

The addition of 7 new IBM selectric typewriters has made beginning typing a more pleasurable experience. The present job market has rekindled the interest in Business Education courses, and students are starting to realize the employment possibilities in the business sector of our economy.

Also keeping a watchful eye on the job market are the V.U.H.S. guidance counselors, who are concerned with the educational, career, and social development of students, as well as personal problems they might have. Mr. Burke and Ms. Hoinkes work with students, both individually and in groups, as well as with faculty, other school personnel, parents and community agencies. They use various tests and records to help students evaluate themselves. Then, with students and sometimes their parents, the counselors help develop an educational plan that fits the student's abilities, interests, and career aspirations.

Field trips are arranged to expose students to possible career and educational opportunities. For information purposes, the guidance office maintains a mini library of college catalogues, armed service and occupational information. Students are also assisted in finding part time and summer jobs. It is important, therefore, that students learn how to best utilize the services offered through the guidance office early in their school experience.
ATHLETICS
Varsity Field Hockey; More Fun Than Wins

TOP: Laura's save was just the breeze the Commodores needed to sail by Colchester. LEFT: "Rick-a-rack-a-choo, Rick-a-rack-a-choo, Rick-a-rack-a-choo-choo, chee-chee," the girls chant.

Kim Smith, Pamela Ringer, Nancy McMillan, Jennie Broussard, Lori Ayers, Jane Ackertville, Beth Torpey, Jackie Lynch, Ashley Mills, Anne Denny, Elaine Lushman, Cindy Yoder, Laura Churchman, Kathy Sorensen, Beth Martinez, Nancy Marshall, Ruth Fitzgerald
The Varsity Field Hockey team seems to have had more fun than wins this year, ending the season with a 2-5-2 season. Nearly all of the games, however, were close enough to have gone either way, and V.U.H.S. didn't get the breaks they needed, though they strived for them.

The team did become famous for the hospitality after home games, providing snacks for their opponents after each match.

As a result of graduation the team will lose their rugged goalie Laura Charbonneau, defense standouts Barb Martinec, Nancy McNulla, Co. Capt. Elaine Cushman, Wing Jenny Broughton, scoring threat Capt. Kathy Epstein and back-up goalie Kim Smith.

RIGHT: Kathy Epstein offers verbal assistance to team mates out in the alley. LEFT: Phyllis Lowry barges in to gain control of the ball.
ABOVE: Jack Tynan dribbling the ball. MIDDLE: In a Vergennes/CVU game, Mark Adams clears the ball. LEFT: Nick Martinez races to take over the ball. LOWER LEFT: Team captains Art Miller, Ken Bannister, Mark Gebo and Nick Martinez.
Best Season In Years

The 1975 Vergennes Union High Soccer team completed a most successful season. Finishing with a 6-5-1 record, the team was the first from Vergennes to play in a post-season game in 8 years. A strong defense, the backbone of the team, was led by goalie Kelly Barrows and backs Dean Muniz, Mark Adams, Mike Roberts and Bob Belanus. The team allowed an average of less than a goal a game. Tom Clark, Mark Gebo, and Bill Leach were the leading scorers, helping Vergennes to amass 21 goals -- the most in a season over the past ten years.

The highlight game of the season was the 1-0 victory over Milton, last year's Class "I" State Champions. Billy Leach's goal on an assist from Mark Gebo gave the Commodores the upset win and was the impetus for a late season winning surge.

The team was composed mostly of juniors and sophomores, a pleasant omen for next year, but seniors Nick Martinec, Bobby Hall, Mark Gebo, Jack Tynan, Kip Sorrell, and Ken Bannister will be difficult to replace.
J.V. Soccer; Gains Skills And Experience

The Boys Soccer team, with a 4-9-0 season, had a typically slow start. The team, comprised of 20 Freshman and Sophomores, lacked experience and the basic skills. By the end of the season, however, they had merged to become a competent team.

Coach Yarnall cited the best game as being the 3-2 victory over South Burlington. He felt the true indicator for the season was not the team record, but the amount of skill and experience gained.

Outstanding players were Terry Brace—goalie, Billy Poquette, and Kevin Flynn.

Mike Plankey warms up before playing the game.

FRONT: Timmy Price, David Carney, Mike Plankey, Billy Poquette, Timmy Mott, Mike St. Onge, Greg Sleeper. MIDDLE: Coach Yarnall, Kevin LaCompte, Jim Leach, David Marshall, Terry Brace, David Bicknell, Kevin Flynn, Sean Kilbride, Don St. Onge, asst. coach Harry Conner BACK: Scott Chase, Carl Bushee, Matt Bushee.
Sophomore players clown around before a game.

**First Wins For JV**

For the first time in its two year history, the Junior Varsity Field Hockey team won a game and tied one, and in doing so showed the worth of having girls learn the fundamentals in junior high. The players developed into a good, aggressive, tackling team, and will provide valuable material and depth to next year's varsity. Coach Angier complimented the girls on their hard work and cooperation during the season.

Boys Place Second, State Class I


Steve Burlock leads John Tisbert, Paul Leach, and Coach Don Baker.

Coach Baker keeps the pace with Paul Leach.

The Boys Varsity Cross Country team, behind the strong running of Steve Burlock and Ken Epstein, posted a 12 and 6 record, won the U-32 Invitational Meet and finished second in the State Class I Cross Country Championships. Ken Epstein and Steve Burlock led the team throughout the season as they always finished among the top five runners in each meet.

In the State Meet, Vergennes' top five finishers were: Ken Epstein (4th), Steve Burlock (6th), Paul Leach (23rd), John Tisbert (25th), and Marty Flemings (26th).

The Freshman trio of Steve Farnsworth, Lee Senesac, and Rodney Blacklock gained valuable experience and showed considerable promise for the coming years.
Girls Take Second,  

Green Mountain League

FRONT ROW: Coach Bartlett, Donna Dionne, Pam Provost, Cindy Provost, Macky McKinnon, manager Fran Sene­ sac. BACK ROW: Cheryl Jimmo, Donna MacGowan, Cindy Cooke, Diane Villeneuve, Jenny Emerson.

Diane Villeneuve sets the pace for Cindy Cooke and Cheryl Jimmo.

VERGENNES OPPONENT
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18 BFA 40
20 CVU 39
20 Essex 40
22 Burlington 34
18 Missisquoi 38
24 Milton 31
45 Colchester 46
45 MMU 17
38 Middlebury 26
33 Rice 22

Cindy Provost prepares to pass an Otter Valley oppo­ nent and take 1st place.

This year the Girls' Cross Country team ended with a record of 7 wins and 41 losses.

Cindy Provost was the top runner with 4 first places, 4 sec­ ond places, 2 thirds and 1 fourth. She ran the 2 mile course in 13:19 minutes. Cindy Cooke followed with a time of 14:43, Jenny Emerson, Pam Provost, Cheryl Jimmo, Diane Villeneuve, Donna MacGowan and Donna Dionne brought up the rear.

In the Green Mountain League Meet, held at U-32, the team place 2nd. Cindy Provost was 4th, Cindy Cooke 14th, Jenny Emerson 15th, Cheryl Jimmo 16th Pam Provost 19th, Diane Villeneuve 20th, and Donna MacGowan 42nd.

In the State Meet, the team placed 3rd in Class I. Cindy Provost places 10th, and Cindy Cooke 14th.

Mrs. Provost knitted a blue and white hat for each team member with VUHS letters.
The Boys Varsity Basketball team ended their 1975-76 season with an impressive 13-7 record and a third place position in the Green Mountain League West.

The leading scorers this year were Ken Epstein with 357, Kris Wernhoff with 271, Billy Leach with 216, and Mark Gebo with 129.

Senior Mark Gebo was the playmaker throughout the season, and played an important role in many victories.

Seniors Kris Wernhoff and Danny Essex were among the tops in rebounding and Kris also was a big asset in scoring, averaging 12 points a game.

Starting Forward Ken Epstein was depended upon for doing a lot of scoring and his highest game was against Richford where he scored 29 points. Ken maintained a 16 point average throughout the season.

Sophomore Billy Leach did an excellent job, this being his first year on Varsity. Along with Mark Gebo he demonstrated outstanding defense.

Another key to the Commodores successful season was a strong bench consisting of Joe Birkett, Neal Van Wyck, Mark Adams, Jack Tynan, Steve Burlock, Kelly Barrows, Paul Leach, Jeff James, Jim Emerson and Larry Wolk.

The Commodores had a lot of close and exciting games, the best one, perhaps, being the game against Milton. At this point Milton was in first place in the Green Mountain League West. The game was tied 49-49; with one second left Vergennes fouled Milton and they sunk both foul shots to pull ahead with the victory 51-49.

The Commodores made it to the playoffs, and in the first round defeated a strong Union 32 team. Mark Gebo scored 20 points.

Vergennes then met Milton for the third time, this time being in the quarterfinals of the Vermont State Class I Championships. The game was another close and exciting contest and the final outcome wasn't decided until the last minute of play when Vergennes failed to hit on its last three attempts at the basket.

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TOP LEFT: Carefully eyeing the basket, Kris Wernhoff lines up his shot. TOP RIGHT: Flying towards the basket and two points is Bill Leach. BOTTOM LEFT: Kenny Epstein heads up for a lay-up.
The Girls Varsity Basketball Team finished their season with a twelve and five overall record. This hardly shows the improvement in team play from last year.

All ten girls were able to play in most games and the team never had a regular "starting five". This balance gave each girl the chance to start or make the difference in the final seconds of a game.

The girls, even when the game appeared lost, never gave up. This proved the difference needed when they beat Winooksi by scoring 5 points in the final 4 seconds. The team had also 5 or 6 other equally close winning or losing games. This type of team play kept the season exciting from scrimmages to the quarter-final game.
Season Through Improvement

**TOP LEFT:** Laura breaks away for a shot, while Elaine looks on. **LOWER LEFT:** During the Fairfac game, Kathy puts it up for two.

**LOWER RIGHT:** Cindy hustles on defense.

**RIGHT:** Patty Sheerin, Diane Villeneuve, Nancy Marshall.

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Exciting Games Make A Winning Season

The Boys Junior Varsity basketball team ended the 1975-76 season with an excellent 15-5 record. The top scorers for this year's team were John Allo with a game high of 30, Ricky Brunet with a game high of 29, and Jim Laflam with 38.

Tops in the rebounding department were Lance Foerch, John Allo and Ricky Brunet.

Despite the lack of much height Billy Poquette did an excellent job on the defensive side and was the all around playmaker throughout the season.

The Junior Varsity had a strong bench and the strongest of those reserves were Matt Bushee and Jimmy Leach.

The boys had a lot of exciting games throughout the season. The closest game of the season was against Mississquoi. Vergennes trailed by a score of 15-24 at the end of the first quarter. They came back in the second quarter and outscored them 24-12. Vergennes played a strong third quarter and led at the end. Mississquoi made a comeback in the final quarter and caught up, but Vergennes put on the pressure and moved ahead to win 69-67.
J.V. Girls Gain Skills And Experience

Lack of experience gave the Girls Junior Varsity basketball team a slow start. The eight freshman and four sophomores with much practice and gained confidence built themselves into a competent team. Not only did the girls gain experience but they had a good time playing ball.

MIDDLE: Vergennes waits patiently to grab a rebound away from their Colchester opponents. BOTTOM: Hurrying to join the mass after a loose ball is Sheila Burlock.
Midway through their season the VUHS gymnasts had won four of their six meets, and as a team had reached a score of 61.25, far better than their team score at the end of last year. All the girls improved in their particular specialties, and many expanded their skills to include new events. Gymnastics is somewhat unique among team sports, in that the final win or loss is not so important as whether individuals and the team as a whole improved their skills and point totals.

Jenny Emerson, Mary Ann Gendreau and Wendy Dickerson scored consistently above 5.3, in their floor routines, and all did superior moves, such as ariels, back walkovers or back hand springs. Janthoni McEvilla also received good scores on her floor routine.

Mary Jane Adams and Jocelyn Charbonneau were strong competitors in vaulting, and on bars, Jenny Emerson, Mary Ann Gendreau and Jody McEvilla had tight, careful routines.

Coach Cherie Angier was encouraged with the team’s performance and mentioned that even some officials recognized how much the girls had improved since last year.
TOP LEFT: With energy and control, Janthoni McEvilla performs her floor routine. TOP RIGHT: M. Gendreau, J. McEvilla and F. Senesac check the list of events during a home meet. MIDDLE LEFT: Lithe Jenny Emerson, one of the team's "all arounders", balances on the top bar. MIDDLE: There's not much to hold onto on the beam, and here Jayne McEvilla does a carefully arrived-at headstand. FAR RIGHT: Mary Boyd, a hard-working gymnast, works out on the uneven bars. LOWER LEFT: Caught at an awkward moment, Mary Jane Adams does a precision vault. LOWER MIDDLE: Coach Cheri Angier has been pleased with her team's improvement.
Wrestlers Have Outstanding Season

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The Varsity Wrestlers boasted their best record ever this year, ending with 19 wins and only 2 losses, and a 4th place in the State Meet. Dave Kittredge and Dennis Gendreau were both state champs, Daryll Fulford finished 2nd and Phil Russett 3rd, which entitled them all to participate in the New England's in March. Bob Belanus finished 5th.

Nick Martinez and Bryon Smith were both injured mid-season, severely cramping the team's depth. Consequently, JV wrestlers were called on to fill empty spots and, hampered by a lack of men, the JV compiled a 14-4 record. At the State Meets all JV wrestlers were seeded; Dave Carney, Brian Kayhart and Scott Jackson placed 2nd, Randy Provencher 3rd and Dwayne Fulford 4th.

An amusing aspect of the season was the Colchester coach's terming VUHS's wrestlers "farm boys", with all strength and no skill, and the consequent defeat of Colchester 45-4.
Hey, We’re Proud Of Our Varsity Cheerleaders

Varsity Cheerleaders FROM TOP LEFT TO BOTTOM RIGHT: Tammy Barrows, Debbie Parre, Dani Fulford, Nancy McN nulla, Susie Shortsleeve, Cathie Hughes, Phyllis Lowry.
Cheerleaders Make A Difference

The Varsity and Junior Varsity cheerleaders raised money for new uniforms, which each girl was responsible for having made. In the fall, the girls participated in a cheering clinic at Lyndon where they learned new chants and cheers. They practiced a couple of afternoons each week to be in top shape for games, and they cheered at every game, both home and away, during the season.

The seven girls in the Varsity squad with co-captains Debbie Barre and Tammy Barrows put much effort into their cheers throughout season and post-season play.

The six boisterous Junior Varsity girls, with co-captains Laurie Heath and Laurie Laflin, encouraged the J.V. Boys to attain numerous victories.

Wrestling Auxiliary--FRONT: Cheryl Aunchman, Barb Martinec, Lori Davis. BACK: Debbie Booth, Joan Marshall, Pam Aunchman.

The Wrestling Auxiliary this year has supported the wrestling team throughout every match. The girls are chosen by teachers who feel the girls can keep their grades up. The girls have done a great job of cheering the boys on and giving the boys encouragement. They also are responsible for bringing oranges and gum to the matches.

ACTIVITIES
Student Council
Gets In The
Swing Of Things!

This year the Student Council has been a motivating factor behind many school activities. Their first major project was Freshman Day and the Freshman Reception, and freshmen seemed to enjoy dressing as members of the opposite sex during the day. At the Sadie Hawkins dance, the usual live band was replaced by WJOY disc jockeys providing recorded music and door prizes.

Instead of being spread throughout the week as usual, winter carnival activities were concentrated into a single day before February vacation, and students were free to watch and participate in anything from pie eating contests to the 3-legged race and war ball.
Honor Society
Inducts New Members

TOP LEFT: Honor Society members wrap Christmas presents for the St. Joseph's Children's Home. TOP RIGHT: National Honor Society officers are: SITTING--Laura Farley, President; STANDING--Kathy Epstein, Vice-president and Elaine Cushman, Secretary. Nancy McNulla, Treasurer, is not pictured. BOTTOM LEFT: New inductee John Tisbert pauses for a moment of quiet reflection at the reception following the ceremony. BOTTOM RIGHT: Guest speaker, Tom Johnson, speaks of Honor Society requirements at the induction ceremony.
This year the National Honor Society is still supporting the 11-year-old Indian girl named Lisa Butler. They held an apple festival in October which brought in over $200. The money that was earned was to be sent to Arizona for the Indian girl. They also held a toy drive and sent presents to the St. Joseph's Children's home. On December 5th they inducted 22 new members. Afterwards the parents and members were invited to have refreshments in the library.
Cooperation, Dedication And Planning; Put It All Together In Yearbook

This year's senior section members are: FRONT—D. Fulford, L. Aunchman, L. Farley, C. Hughes, and S. Shortsleeve. BACK—L. Little, B. Gardner, W. Elzinga, and K. Smith.

Yearbook officers C. Pidgeon—Layout Editor and K. Cole—Assistant Editor.

The yearbook "corner" gave many members inspiration and information throughout the year.

Cooperation is the name of the game when 128 pages are due by March. It takes a lot of planning and a lot of dedication to put out a book that must please the majority of 650 people. Each year a new "team" is recruited, and of course, there are always those who decide that Yearbook is not their cup of tea. What we end up with is a group of patient and persistent people who are willing to put time and effort together for a "brilliant" concoction we call "The Blue and White". The members of the team are a very close-knit group, as much of our spare time is spent together making layouts, cropping pictures and writing copy.

A somewhat unseen part of this group is the business section. While some members put the book together, these people go out and sell sponsorships to pay the $4,000 which the book costs. They also plan the school's yearbook selling campaign.

So there's a lot more to Yearbook than meets the eye, as is the case with many things that we take for granted.

Yearbook officers: L. Farley, Copy Editor; K. Martel, Business Manager, and Bonnie Gardner, Editor.

Perseverance pays off, as Laura Farley's smile shows.
Aides Help Lessen Work Load.

The aides of Vergennes Union High prove to be indispensable to the various areas of the school which they serve. The aides spend their time running errands and helping to do odd jobs. The office aides answer the phone and take messages, along with running the behind-the-counter activities. The library is gifted with a group of girls who help Ms. Phillips check-out and replace books, as well as keeping the library neat. Mrs. Coady, the school nurse, has her aides busy helping her give eye and ear tests and helping her in running the office. All the aides are greatly appreciated, and they do a great service to the school.

TOP LEFT: The Nurse's aides this year are; L. Ritchie, L. Allo, B. Adams, and D. Roberts. MIDDLE LEFT: Mrs. Godard's office aides; K. Smith, L. Ryan, L. Brunet, S. Godard, L. Auchman, and J. Tatro. MIDDLE RIGHT: Taking a break from work, Jo-Anne Beenan smiles coyly at the camera. BOTTOM LEFT: The library aides are; D. LaFleche, P. Birchmore, J. Beenan, M. Badore, and S. Rivait.
Steve Delphia busily works on a piece of machinery.

The FFA officers are—LEFT TO RIGHT: B. Many—Sentinel; S. Delphia—Vice-Pres.; J. Tatro—Tres.; J. Bull—Pres.; H. Dykema—Sec.; J. Breur—Reporter; Mr. Boyce—advisor.

The Future Farmers of America is a group of boys who are taking vocational courses either here at Vergennes, or at the Vocational Center in Middlebury. The chapter this year undertook the task of making cement benches for the city park, and wooden benches for the High School lobbies; both turning out to be very comfortable. The chapter earns money by roto-tilling people's gardens in the spring. They also earn money by plowing the High School, Post Office and the Hood's Store Parking lots.

“Imaginary Invalid”
Is A Big Success

TOP RIGHT: Displaying her dramatic talents, Leslie Ritchie plays the part of Toinette, the maid. MIDDLE: Peggy Wagert tries to pull the wool over her "father's" eyes. BOTTOM LEFT: Protraying the hard-hearted wife, Susie Charbonneau plots how to get all her husband's money. BOTTOM RIGHT: Steve Farnsworth uses all his "powers" to transform Mark Wilson into a doctor.
Under the direction of Mrs. Crocker, the play "The Imaginary Invalid" was quite a success. Many cast members were new to the drama scene, and their efforts, combined with those of the old stage veterans, produced a tight, quick-moving production. The props were very authentic and the "techies" kept the scenery moving smoothly.

One of Mrs. Crocker's intentions in choosing this play was to educate the audience into watching more sophisticated theater work. This play was written by Molière, a famous French playwright, and concerns a hypocondriac who wants to marry his daughter to a doctor, so he will always be well taken care of.

UPPER LEFT: Leslie Ritchie masquerades as a different doctor with different advice. UPPER RIGHT: Steve Farnsworth attempts to get the invalid to come to his senses. BOTTOM LEFT: Steve Farnsworth as the apothecary, gives the audience a scare with his modes of treatment. BOTTOM RIGHT: The cast changes Mark Wilson into a doctor by a hocus-pocus ceremony.
Talk-A-Little Dance-A-Little


Members of the Dance Club do a few warmups before dancing.

Mark Wilson does a movement exercise with David Tisbert observing.

A Drama Workshop member works on a relaxing exercise.


The Drama and Dance Workshops add variety to the school's somewhat athletic extra-curricular program. In these activities students find a creative outlet and a new way to express themselves. Although students do not receive letter for drama and dance; these two activities are equally as beneficial to the minds and bodies of those involved. This touch of the fine arts brings an extra dimension to the students in the groups and to the school in general.
In late February, the press toward getting one-act plays ready for local and district competitions began; teachers chose their scripts and casts, and set up rehearsal schedules for the stage. The plays were to be performed March 8th.

Mrs. Prescott and Mrs. Spaulding directed "The Keeper of the Birds", a play in which hotel owner, Steve Fransworth, gathers around him as guests a group of potential suicide victims, and they interact with street urchins Karen Jerome and Dani Fulford. David Bicknell and Karen McDermott were romantic leads.

Mr. Yarnall and Mr. Rogers directed the W. B. Yeats play "The Land of Heart's Desire", the story of an unhappy Irish peasant girl (Mary Haines), who is unsatisfied with her life and wishes to be a fairy in order to be free to dance in the woods. Disguised as a lost child, Susan Charbonneau portrays a fairy who comes in from the woods and dances for the family. When she leaves, the girl dies, thus escaping the bandage of her new husband's family.

In Mr. McKinnon's play "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe", by C. S. Lewis, the stage is transformed into the fantasy world of Narnia, which the four children, played by Tom Casey, Debbie Barre, Kevin Cole and Tracy Chamberlain, find by entering an old wardrobe. Their adventures bring them into contact with numerous talking animals, and they eventually are crowned kings and queens.

This year's German Club is mostly a group of students who are interested in traveling to Germany. They are planning on going during the April vacation for about one week. They will be visiting both East and West Berlin to view the differences in lifestyle.

Most of their activities are fund raisers. The students have held bake sales to earn money for their trip. The club teamed up with the student council to help sponsor the Winter Carnival Dance. They hope to hold a German Dinner later on in the year.

The German students had a chance to test their speaking and comprehension abilities, as a man from Middlebury named Thomas Huber came to speak to them about East and West Berlin. He had recently returned from a trip there. The German classes also hear his talk.

Francais

The French Club is one of the most active student groups in the school. This year there have been such activities as sightseeing trips to Montreal, food sales, a trip to see the Ice Follies in Montreal, French Christmas caroling and a tour to Wilson Castle. These projects were organized under the supervision of the advisors, Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Crocker, and the president Anne Duany. Other officers are: Karen Jerome, Mary Haines, and Jo-Anne Bodette.

Student Support

Additional Activities

A new organization formed this year by Mrs. Angier and interested students is Teens for Retarded. This service group held several parties for retarded children during the year, and also visited the Brandon Training School. The Candy Stripers, another group aimed toward service, were trained by Mrs. Coady to help out at Porter Hospital.

Winter Carnival, one of the year’s major activities, this year was given an entire day in which students were free to watch and participate in numerous events. A free wrestling match and a dime-a-dip supper after school, were followed by a dance in the evening.
The Junior High boys put in a lot of after-school practice and finished the season with a 5-6-0 record. They beat strong teams coming from Mt. Abe, Hinesburg and Colchester. They had one really close game against Middlebury when they lost by one point with a score of 44-45. Later in the season they retaliated by defeating Middlebury 37-34.

The Junior High girls also put in a lot of practicing time, usually in the Parish Hall under the direction of Coach Lynn Cushman. They finished with a record of 2-7-0. They beat Mt. Abe twice, once with a score of 20-18, and the second time 20-10.

The Junior High teams hosted a tournament in late February with teams from Mt. Abe, Hinesburg and Middlebury, and both teams came in second.

TOP LEFT: The Jr. High Boys Basketball team members are: 1ST ROW--Coach Lynk, J. Dam, T. Bicknell, G. Curler, M. Brunet, J. Leach, J. Farnsworth, P. Smith, 2ND ROW--B. Dykema, T. Brigan, R. Epstein, S. Gaines, D. Wernhoff, F. Smith, J. O'Brien. 3RD ROW--D. Flynn, R. White, D. Harris, P. O'Brien, D. Russett, W. Farnsworth. TOP RIGHT: Timmy Bicknell gets ready for action. BOTTOM LEFT: David Harris goes in search of a snack, while the rest of the team heads for the showers. BOTTOM RIGHT: John Leach and Ron Epstein combine their efforts to get some points on the scoreboard.
### Jr. High Field Hockey & Soccer

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5 wins, 2 ties, 4 losses

The Junior High Soccer team members have good reason to be proud, as after a season of lots of practice, they finished with a 5-4-2 record. Many hours after school were spent in perfecting skills and polishing up strategies. The boys were extremely pleased with the result of the game against Otter Valley, which ended in a 1-1 tie. Otter Valley was a tough team and it felt good to tie them.

The Junior High Field Hockey team had only one game, against Middlebury's J.V. team. Vergennes lost with a 1-0 score, but many were amazed that VUHS's girls held the score so low, as Middlebury's team is usually quite strong.

### Soccer Team Members


**MIDDLE**: Anne Pollender awaits attempted goals.


Wrestlers Gain Experience

The Junior High Wrestling season does not begin until the varsity and junior varsity have finished, and the coaches and cafeteria are available. At this point, with members of the varsity to help out, Mr. Minns instructs younger wrestlers in proper strategies and various holds.

The Jr. High Cheerleaders have put in many hours of practice time, during which they perfect old cheers and think up new ones. They are spirited group of girls who really give a lot of support to their teams. They show up at every game enthusiastically cheering their side during tense moments of the game.
Jr. High Gymnasts


Greatly Improve Skills

This year the Junior High gymnasts practiced with Mr. Angier on Saturday afternoons instead of at regular varsity gymnastics practice, and were therefore able to improve a great deal. Nearly all the girls improved their attitudes toward trying new things, and consequently learned many new skills. They also appreciated the coaching offered by the high school gymnasts. Although the Junior High had no scheduled meets, they did perform at Winter Carnival, and were proud to have made up proficient routines on their own.
Faces On The Jr. High Unite

This year's Current Events Team put a lot of time and effort into preparing for the televised program of interscholastic competition on a basis of knowledge in the areas of current happenings. They were up against a set of hard teams, and in the end they were defeated; but it was not before they gave the other teams a hard time. They are a team of which VUHS can be proud.

TOP: Mary Lou Husk contemplates the enormous gastronomic task set before Ron Epstein. MIDDLE LEFT: Norman Dunham offers an unsteady vote of peace to onlookers. MIDDLE RIGHT: James Wrisley demonstrates wreath-making to his friends. BOTTOM LEFT: The Current Events Team members are--A Easter, C. Fagan, T. Bicknell, J. Dam. BOTTOM RIGHT: Frank Bushey gives the latest homework assignment to Phil O'Brien.
Jr. High Band And Chorus Make Beautiful Music Together.


The Jr. High Chorus and Band are engaged in many activities that go unnoticed by the rest of the student body. Every day classes are held for the respective groups, where they practice new material for an upcoming event. These groups give concerts for the school and community and they do performances for such places as the Nursing Home, and the Brandon Training School. They also visit the various grade schools, and senior citizens meetings. The Chorus sends some of its members to a Choral Festival. Teachers from the 13 schools in the district, which encompasses towns from Vergennes to North Clarendon, pick their best students to participate. These students form a new chorus which prepares for about two days, then gives a concert. The Band also holds a district concert. A Solo and Ensemble Festival is also held, which gives students a chance to perform on an individual basis for other students and parents in the district. The chorus finishes out the year with musical productions, such as last year's "Oklahoma". The band marches in parades and does performances where they are wanted.
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Have a few
summers and be
sickles to work!
'76 Heritage

We, of the Bicentennial year 1976, will leave something of a heritage, just by virtue of having been here. Hopefully it will be more than a run-of-the-mill contribution, and its energy will stretch into the next few years -- maybe even causing ripples far down the line.

Perhaps the positive energy generated at times this year (as when we began having one gigantic homeroom in the auditorium or at Christmas when the senior elves and Santa led us in carols) will grow and lend the school a more powerful and respected position in the community and state; a heritage worthy of the good people we often find ourselves to be.