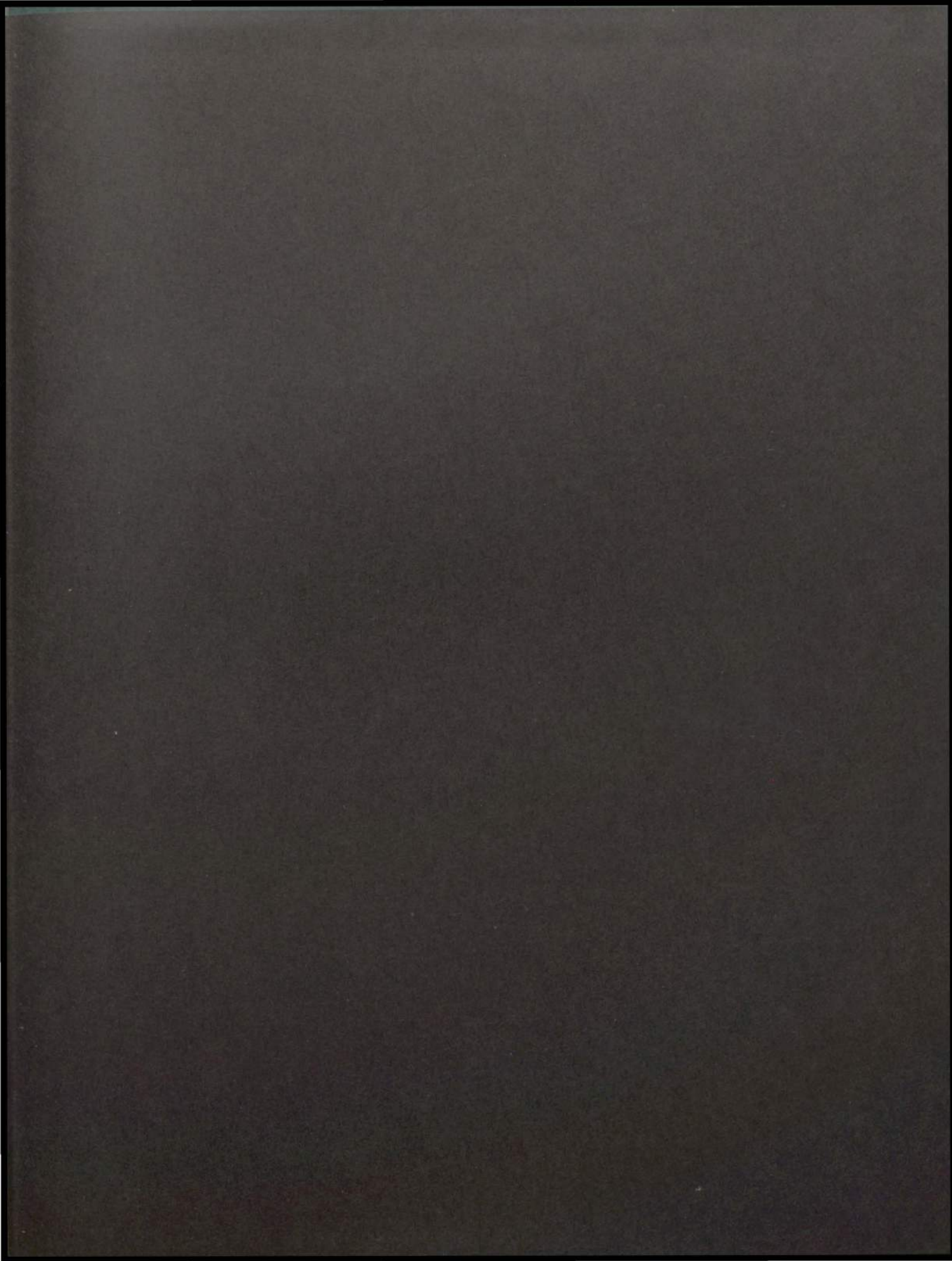


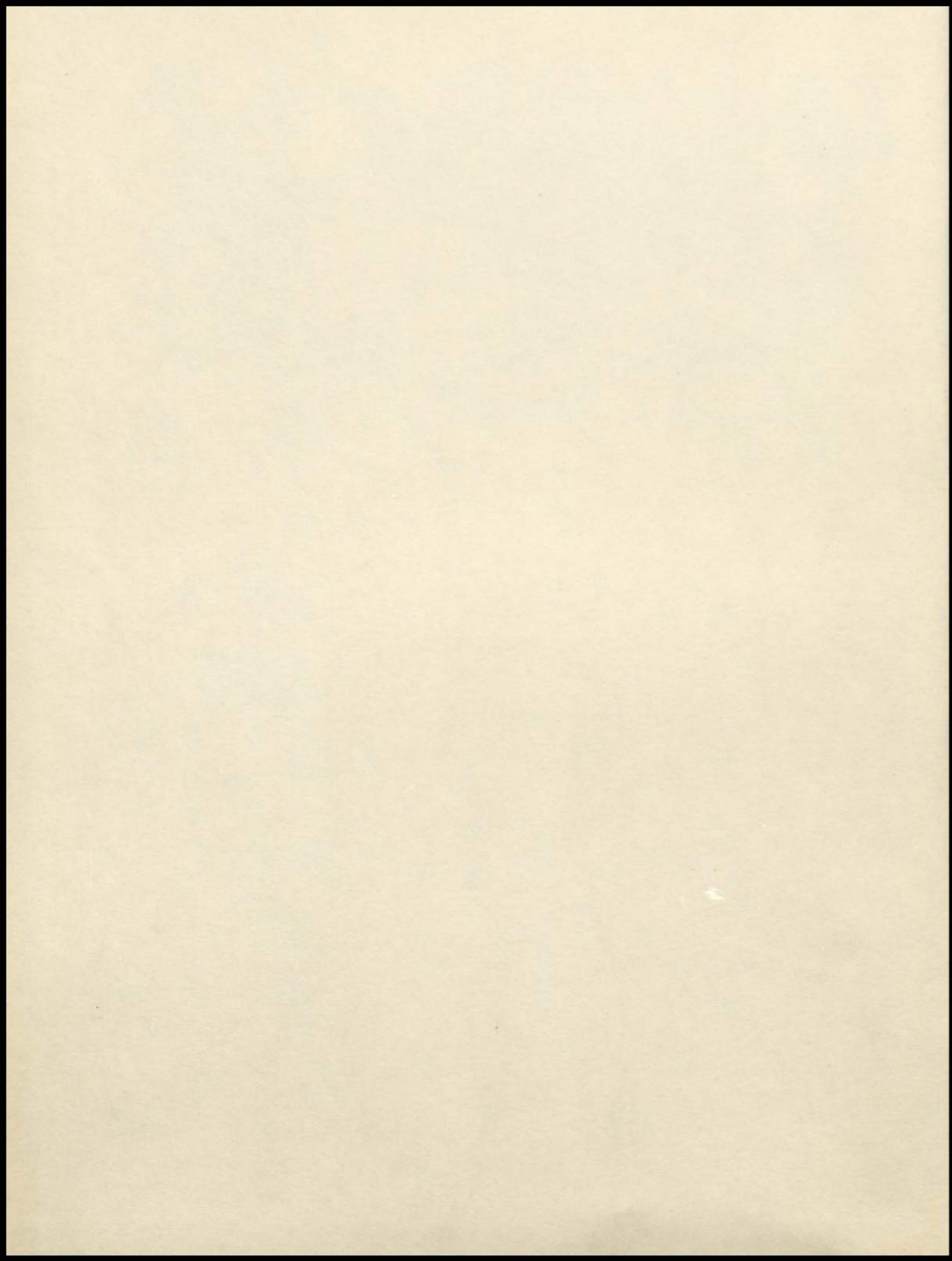
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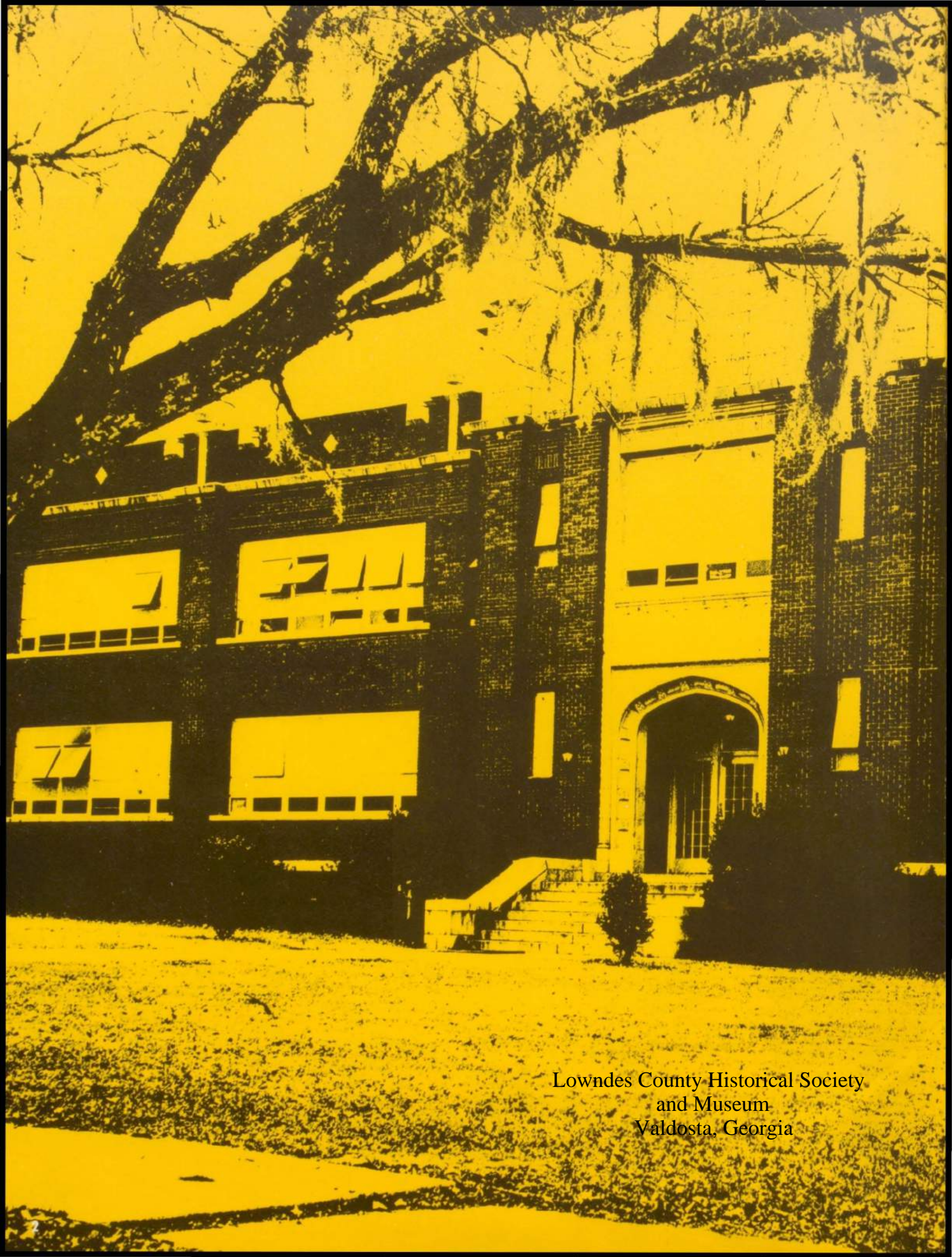
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Valdosta High School

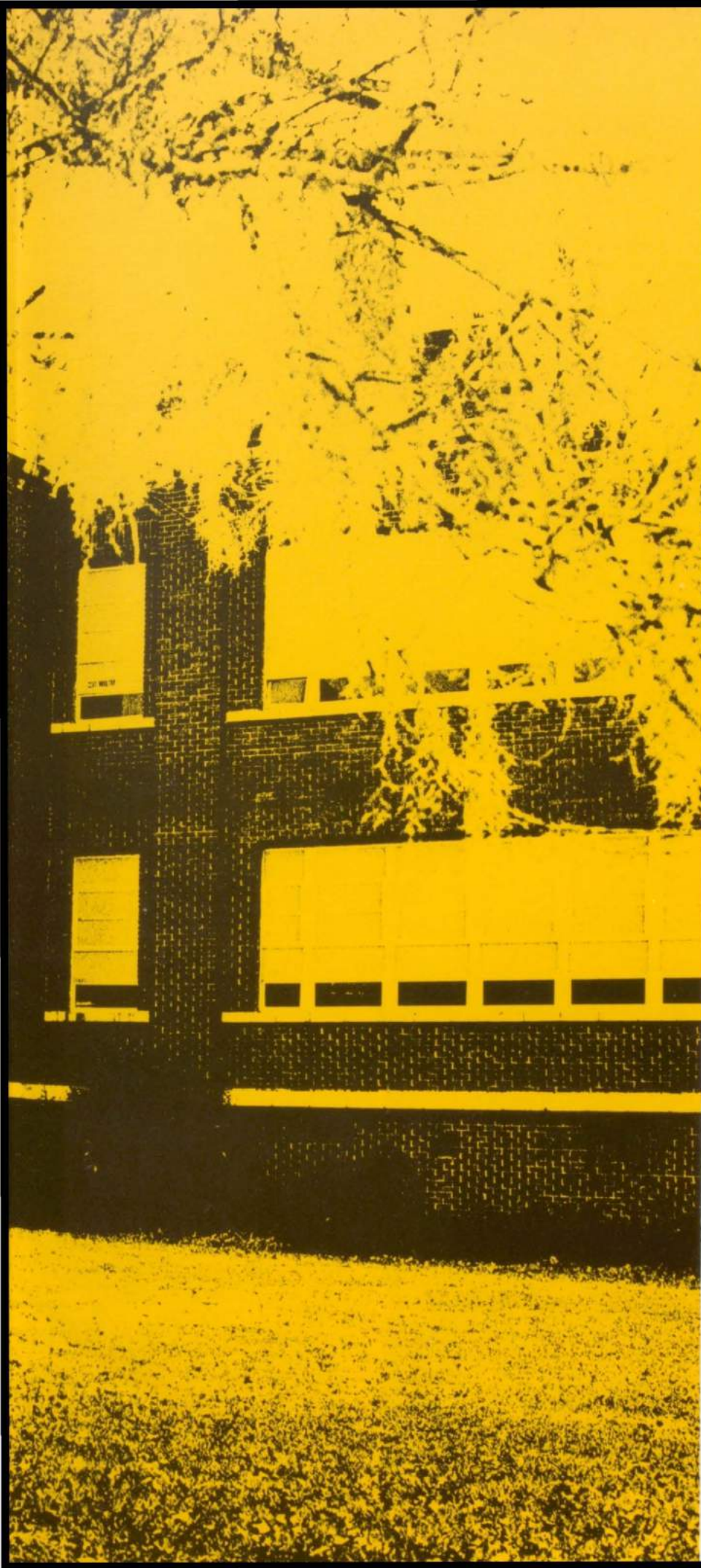


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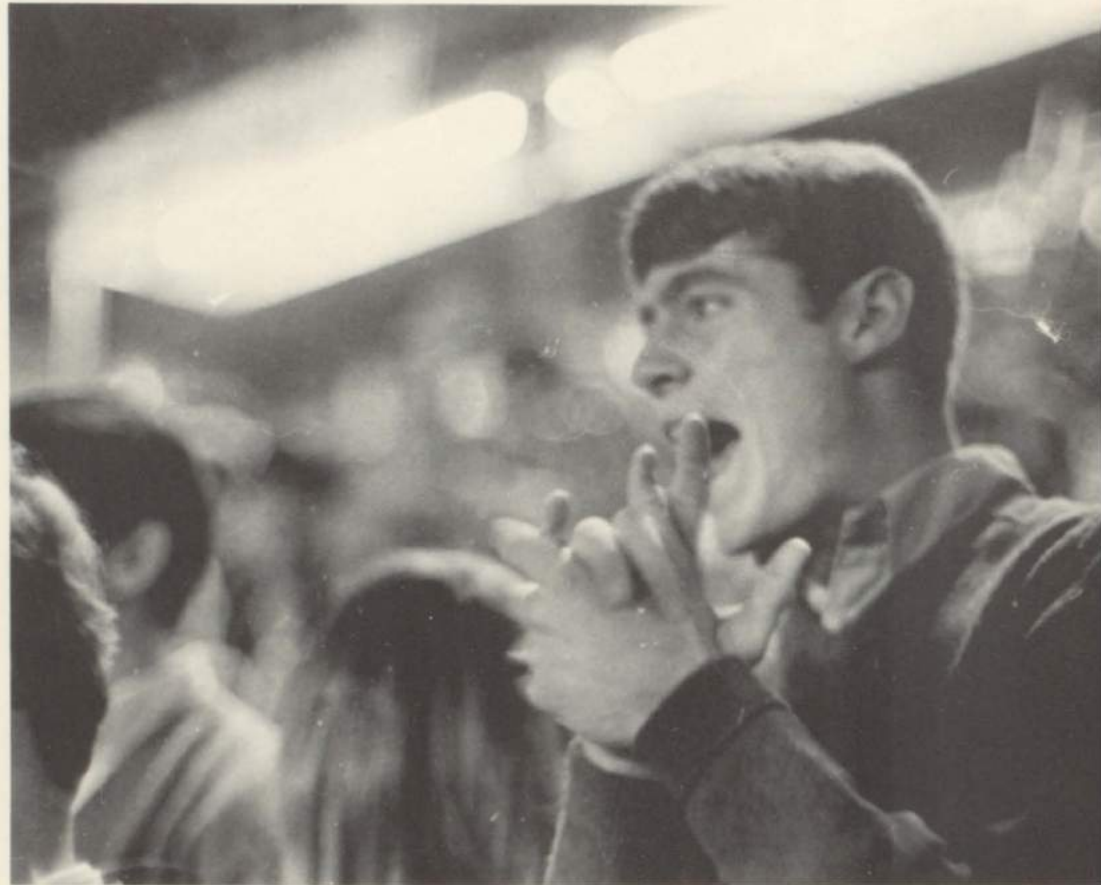
the tone, the mood, the rhythm
of Valdosta High School!

Color captures the essence — the warmth of growth in learning, serving, and identifying. Just as a specific color identifies VHS as a whole, colors also denote each facet of school life. While yellow characterizes the faculty as a light of knowledge to the students, green symbolizes the growth and maturation of each class.

Other colors such as purple and blue are back-drops for royal moments of achievement as well as for the honor of the many clubs.

Warmth of community understanding and backing can be reflected in the haze of orange. Another color, red, typifies the excitement of events that surge life into the steady pace of educating.

Students Reflect Content



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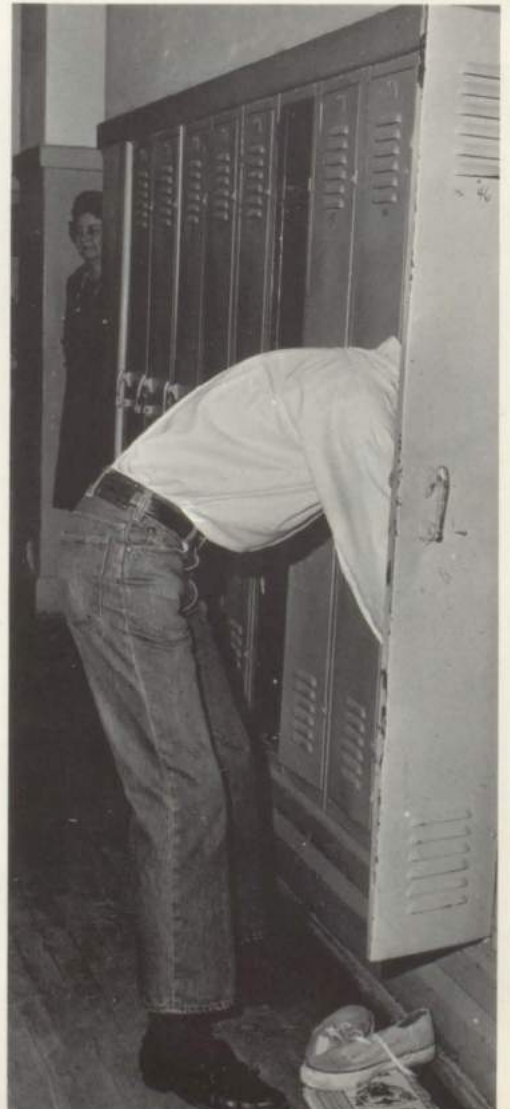
FAR LEFT: Martha Alice Giddens, sophomore, takes a sneak look at an assembly program. TOP CENTER: Senior Dee Smith erupts with enthusiasm at a football game. BOTTOM LEFT: Sophomore Mike Welch dons a spy costume for the SANDSPUR assembly. BOTTOM CENTER: Scott Griffin and Kathy Hendrix, juniors, converse at the Homecoming dance. UPPER RIGHT: Cheerleaders

Judy Landey, senior, and Kathy Veatch, junior, hoist flaming torches to lead the shirt-tail parade. UPPER FAR RIGHT: Mike Heard, junior, reflects the early morning droops while his classmates Judy Carter and Phyllis Traynham chat. ABOVE: Juniors Sherrie Holman, Angela Hughes, and Carolyn Arnold cheer for the 'Cats at the Homecoming football game.

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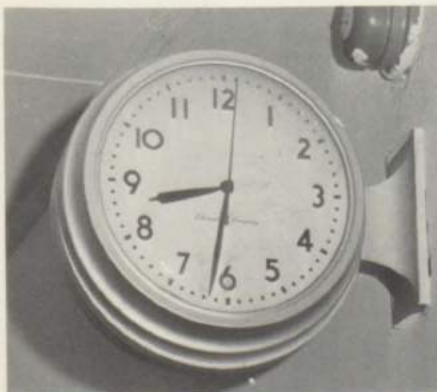


No student entering the flow of life at Valdosta High School can avoid being absorbed into its spectrum of emotional trials and triumphs. Ulcers, tremors, laughs, headaches, and every other result of feeling is naturally coexistent with the events that pepper the usual pace of school life.

From the sophomore girl's first fling at Homecoming, weighted down with a yellow cloud of 'mum petals, to the mature senior girl's debut at the Senior Banquet, the thrill of sentimental moments penetrates the gloom of tests and deadlines.

No one minds the gloom; for, like anything else, school would not be the stimulating experience it is without the more trying elements integrated into its schedule. Tests, projects, and homework round out the students' school world.

With these preparations, students prepare themselves for the world ahead. Whether their goals be college, marriage, or careers, the emotional tests passed while at VHS help boys and girls adjust to the adult world.



Marchin' Cats Mentor, 'Dosta's



ABOVE: Mr. Frank Butenschon. ABOVE CENTER: Mr. B. leads annual spring concert. ABOVE, RIGHT: Mr. Butenschon, his wife Susan and their two children Skip and Kevin pose in front of the camper trailer given to them by the band boosters. RIGHT: Mr. Music Man, Mr. Butenschon, teaches his son Skip the technique of good trumpet practice. CENTER: Mr. B leads the band in a practice session. FAR RIGHT: As he displays the trophy with his wife, Mr. B's smile expresses his emotion at winning the coveted "Greatest Band in Dixie Award."



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Music Man Wins Praise

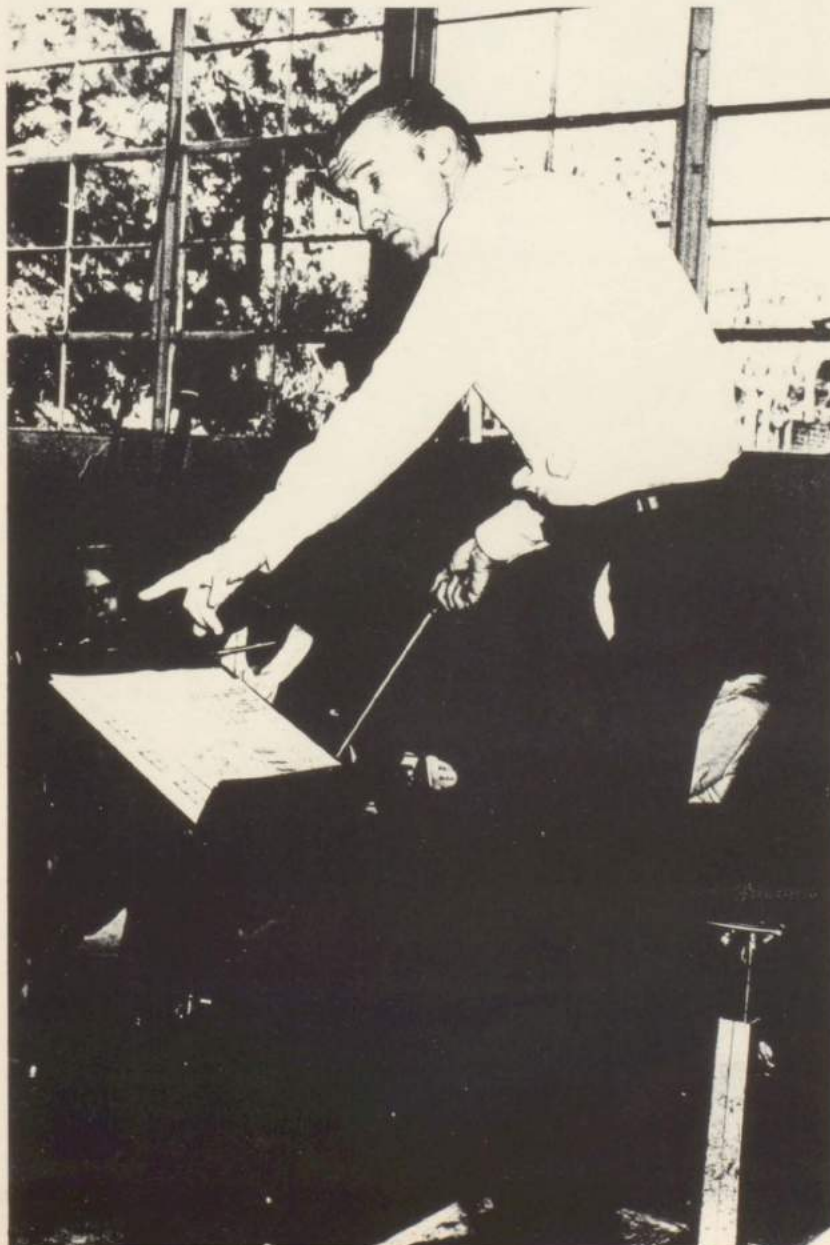


Not seventy-six trombones but one trumpet designates Mr. Frank Butenschon, Valdosta High School's own music man. His musical talents are not just confined to the trumpet, however, for he also has become quite famous for his work with VHS Marchin' Cats.

After leading the Marchin' Cats for seven years, Mr. Butenschon has become a friend of band members and other students alike. Not only has he shown his true dedication to the band by practicing with them on many cold and rainy mornings, but he has helped also in other school functions such as the Student-Faculty Basketball Game and Faculty Fallout.

This year the highlight of Mr. Butenschon's work with the band came while they were attending Mardi Gras in New Orleans on February 14. There the Marchin' Cats won the coveted title of "The Greatest Band In Dixie." And so, through the leadership of VHS's Music Man, another honor came to Valdosta High School.

Seniors showed their appreciation to Mr. B, as he is frequently called, by dedicating the 1969 SANDSPUR to him.



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Behind every great man, there's a great woman, according to an old saying. If success were directly proportional to the number of great women behind a man, Mr. Charles Green should be among the most successful of high school principals. For behind Mr. Green are four great women—Miss Marguerite Ford, Mrs. Sammy Glassman, Mrs. Buck Thomas, and Mrs. W. D. Burgsteiner. Their able assistance has helped to make Mr. Green's first year as principal a smooth one of administrative transition.

Miss Ford has served as guidance counselor at VHS for fourteen years. Students seeking jobs as well as those anticipating college admission seek her advice. She is assisted by Mrs. Sammy Glassman.

In this year's administrative shuffle, financial secretary Mrs. Burgsteiner changed offices to maintain closer communication with the new principal, whom she also serves as personal secretary. Both she and records secretary Mrs. Thomas are familiar to students and faculty as the behind-the-scenes workers who keep VHS the smooth-running institution that it is.



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Lightens Principal's Duties



Miss Marguerite Ford
Mrs. Sammy Glassman
Mrs. Buck Thomas
Mrs. Will Davis Burgsteiner

TOP, LEFT: "All right, you may borrow a pencil, but don't forget to bring it back," says records secretary Mrs. Buck Thomas. TOP, MIDDLE: Guidance secretary Mrs. Sammy Glassman never lets a work overload worry her. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Intense concentration enables financial secretary Mrs. W. D. Burgsteiner to balance the books of VHS amidst confusion and interruptions. ABOVE: Guidance counselor Miss Marguerite Ford clears up the mystery of SAT scores for junior Max Stephenson.

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Administrative Changes, HEW Demands



To add to their routine problems as policy makers, the nine elected members of the Valdosta City Board of Education this year came face to face with the demands of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare that the city cease operation of dual schools for whites and Negroes.

Although many Negro children have been attending integrated city schools under the freedom of choice plan, HEW was not satisfied. Faced with the possibility of losing all federal aid for the city schools, Board members finally decided that at the beginning of the 1969-1970 term all students from Pinevale High School, together with the majority of their teachers, would be transferred to Valdosta High School.

Before reaching this decision, however, the Board held regular monthly meetings, closed sessions, and public discussion forums.

In addition to dealing with this problem, Board members had to make sure that the transfer of administrative duties from one superintendent to another was handled smoothly. Mr. J. Foster Goolsby, assistant superintendent last year, assumed all the duties of this office after Mr. W. G. Nunn retired last June.



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Keep Board Members Busy



OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP, LEFT: Board members John Howell, Bubber Tillman; Lamar Newbern, chairman; and Mrs. Christie Patterson learn that HEW has turned down another of their proposals. OPPOSITE PAGE, FAR LEFT, MIDDLE: Dr. Robert Quattlebaum and Mr. John Howell, with their work cleared away, try to look on the bright side of the Board's many problems. OPPOSITE PAGE, NEAR LEFT, MIDDLE: Dr. Jerome Cox, director of instruction for the city schools, files information received from a publishing firm OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM: Mr. J. Foster Goolsby, superintendent of Valdosta City Schools, is the man in the middle between the Board, representing the citizens of Valdosta, and the schools. ABOVE: Dr. J. Ralph Thaxton looks grim; Mrs. Veran Blackburn looks sad; Mr. Goolsby strokes his chin in contemplation; and Mr. Reuben Yancey, behind Mr. Goolsby, gives the business before the Board his legal scrutiny. LEFT: Mr. Charles Green, principal of Valdosta High School, receives keys, a firm handshake, and best wishes from Mr. Howard Bridges, who retired as principal last June.

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Intensity —

the red of Valdosta High School

... roaring Home-
coming Bonfire
... pulsating
glare of a score-
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sures of VHS.

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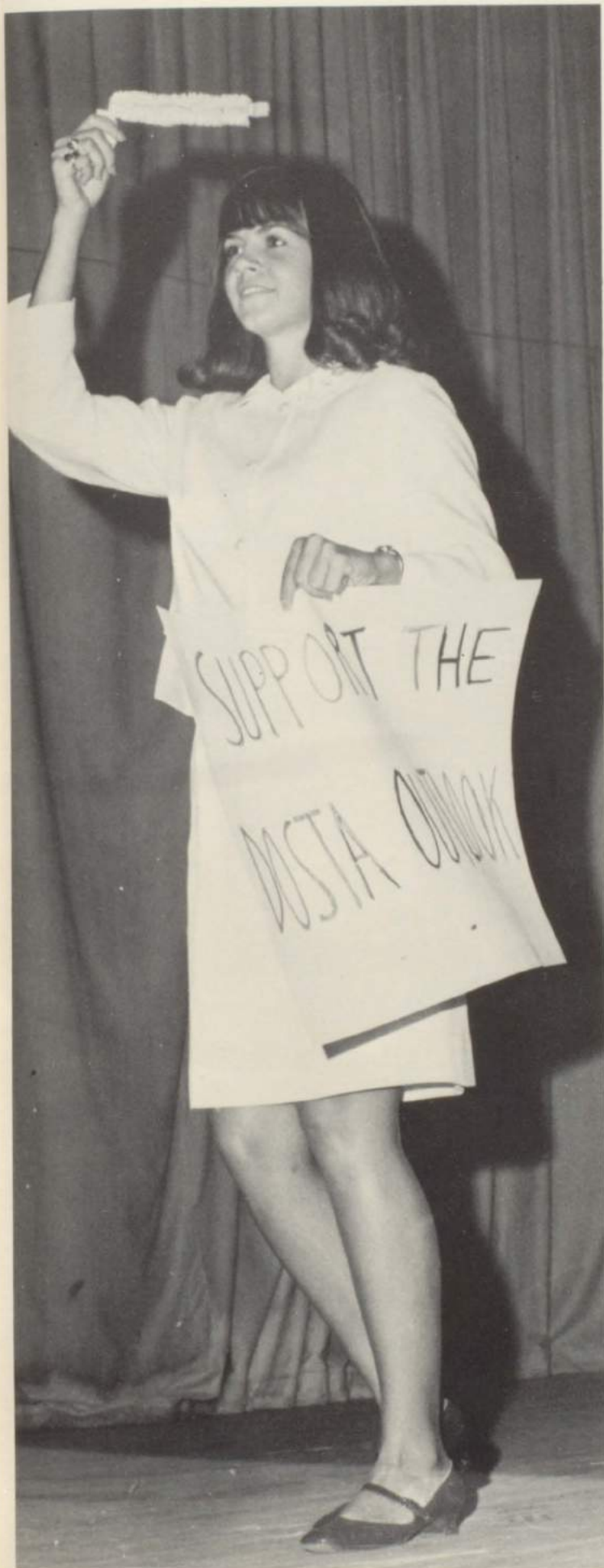
New Parties, Programs, People Tinge Opening



TOP LEFT: Mike Shearing, Ginger Volosen, Kathy Adams, Gretchen Smith, Frances Montgomery, Starr Runyon, Mindy Cadou, and Kathryn Erin Sherman plunge into the picture pile, an added attraction at the SANDSPUR party held to distribute 1968 SANDSPURS. BOTTOM: Mr. Charles H. Green, principal, chats with Mrs. Ann Waldon at the faculty tea. TOP LEFT: Sarah Stickley, senior, parades for the 'DOSTA OUTLOOK at the Interclub Council chapel program. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Jack Myers, Mrs. Ralph Spurlock, Mrs. Richard Atwell, and Mrs. W. E. Wisenbaker sample the goodies served by Martha Alice Giddens, Joy Parrish and Sarah Stickley at the faculty tea. BOTTOM RIGHT: Katherine Smotherman, junior hostess at the party, pins name tags on Mr. Norman Green, Mr. Mike Fletcher, Mr. Mike Rogers, and Mr. Butch Wiggins.



Weeks, Traditional Events Provide Base Color



Same old wilted feeling of August, same old sign welcoming students to "Death Valley." In spite of these conventional touches, the opening weeks of school had a different luster.

For one thing, there was a new principal, a tall, slender young man who met students at the door on the first day.

SANDSPUR staffs of 1968 and 1969 added a new touch to old traditions by hosting an autograph party when the 1968 yearbooks arrived. They gave out books and handed to the seniors gifts donated by the Citizens and Southern National Bank. Students also scrambled through stacks of old pictures to purchase coveted shots.

Mr. Frank Butenschon turned on the student body with a special band concert at a first-week assembly. Another assembly acquainted students with all the clubs at VHS. Sponsored by the Interclub Council, the assembly presented numerous skits, songs, and speeches.

Traditional touches also filled the opening weeks of school. To add a refreshing break to pre-planning week, the teachers were invited to a tea sponsored by the Student Council, SANDSPUR Staff, and OUTLOOK Staff.



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Sophomores Get With it



TOP LEFT: Dee Dee Durden frolics across the stage as a potato head. TOP RIGHT: Mariliz Mayo and Anne Franklin enact the roles of the farmer and the rabbit in the story of the "little cabin in the woods." LOWER LEFT: Susan Smith, Emily Applequest, and Carol Crook add a touch of folk harmony to the program.

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During Sophomore Spotlight, members of the incoming class really got with it. They sang—they swung—while displaying their talents in folk groups and in comedy skits.

One highlight of the program was the singing and dancing of Judy Bernard, Dee Dee Durden, Joy Paine, and Carolyn Shenton as potato heads. These girls and twenty of their classmates initiated the sophomore class into life at Valdosta High School.

Seniors and juniors by their applause showed acceptance of the underclassmen.

Sandspur Secret Agents Capture Yearbook Sales

Mystery and intrigue aided staff members in boosting yearbook sales over the 500 mark. Centered around a spy motif, the SANDSPUR chapel program captured the James Bond image.

Enemy spies stole the pictures of high school events taken by Mr. Larry Bookman. But these pictures were stolen to no avail, for after each theft the clever SANDSPUR agents revealed that they had the original pictures of a football game, the Beauty Pageant, the Junior-Senior Dance and graduation. In keeping with the theme, the program closed with the SANDSPUR's version of "Goldfinger."

Students showed their appreciation of the program by buying yearbooks. After a week of hectic campaigning, students, faculty, and friends bought 515 annuals.

TOP LEFT: David Fender and Tiger Williams chair Tony Davis, winner of the Beauty Contest, across the stage. BOTTOM: Enemy spies Patti Parrish, Susan Smith, and Mike Welch steal Indians Joy and Jan Alderman and Wildcats Starr Runyon, Lynn Knighton, and Lulu Sikes, while Kathy Adams cheers the kidnapped team to victory.



Fall Chapel Programs Create



ABOVE: Starr Runyon and Lulu Sikes, "Wildcats," crumple some charging "Albany Indians," Jan Alderman and Diane Yeomans, during the SANDSPUR assembly. FAR RIGHT: Mrs. Harry Wolinski "snows" the SANDSPUR staff during the Interclub Council program. Seniors Comalea Rich, David Fender, Nancy Daniels, Esther Paine, Barbara Bowers, Debbie Maddox, Ingrid Hall, and JoAnne Beggs join in the fun. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mary Beth Smith "flaps" it to the audience at the Future Homemakers of America Chapel program. BOTTOM LEFT: Before getting serious, Mr. Jim Melvin head basketball coach at Valdosta State College who was sponsored by the Tri-Hi-Y, belts forth with "That Old Time Religion." TOP RIGHT: Mr. Howard Bridges, former principal of Valdosta High School, beams after the Distributive Education Club's presentation of his portrait.

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Rainbow of Entertainment



Bursting with color and vitality, the fall array of chapel programs made the students' "long awaited Fridays" a little more special.

Both dramatic and humorous programs—such as the SANDSPUR's, the Future Homemakers of America's, the Pep Club's and the Interclub Council's—involved many students in the fun as singers, dancers, and just plain hams.

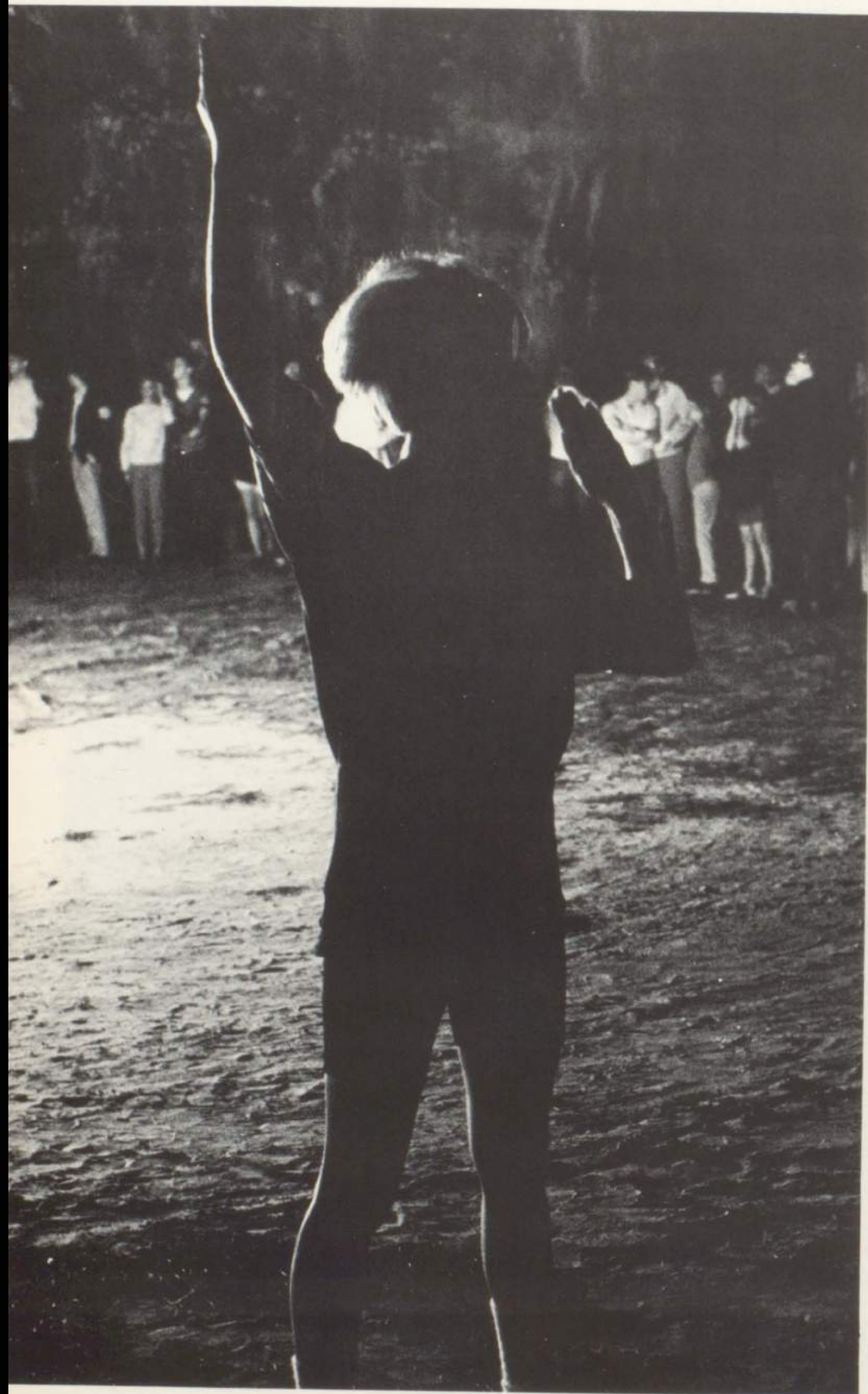
Frolicking song and dance numbers were highlights of the FHA's program of "Fashion and Music Through the Years," while the Interclub Council program consisted of everything from singing to parodies of television advertisements for the 1969 SANDSPURS.

Several speakers sponsored by the Beta Club, Tri-Hi-Y, and Distributive Education Club added a serious hue to this rainbow line-up of fall chapel programs. At one of these events students were warmly surprised when a portrait of Mr. Howard Bridges, former principal at Valdosta High School, was presented by the Distributive Education Club. This presentation was formally made by the Reverend John Gibson of Macon, a VHS alumnus, class of 1942. Mr. Jim Melvin, basketball coach at Valdosta State College, also addressed the student body at this program. He was sponsored by the Tri-Hi-Y.

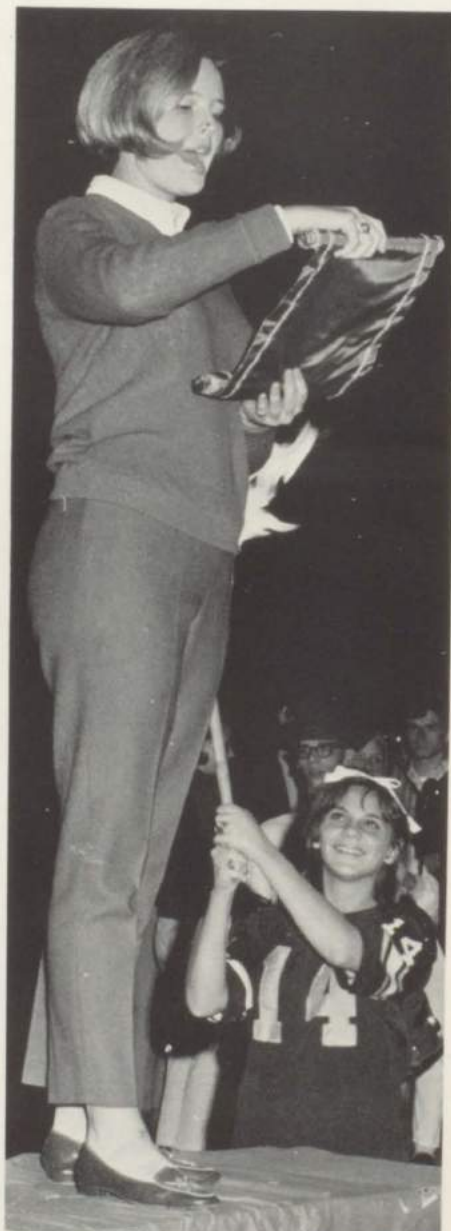


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Chicken Wire, Multicolored Napkin



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TOP CENTER: Cheerleaders Julie Scott, Mary Shirah, Kathy Veatch, Judy Weeks, and Judy Landey lead the shirttail parade.

Form Homecoming Framework

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Before a float takes form it is nothing but a conglomeration of chicken wire, plywood, scrounged odds and ends, and multicolored napkins.

To transform the framework of their 1968 entry in Valdosta High School's long parade of Homecomings, students used the ruddy exuberance of the shirttail parade, the penetrating yellow heat of the bonfire, and red, calloused chicken wire hands. "Death Valley Days," the theme for the festive week, furnished the structure holding the napkins in place and making them harmonize.

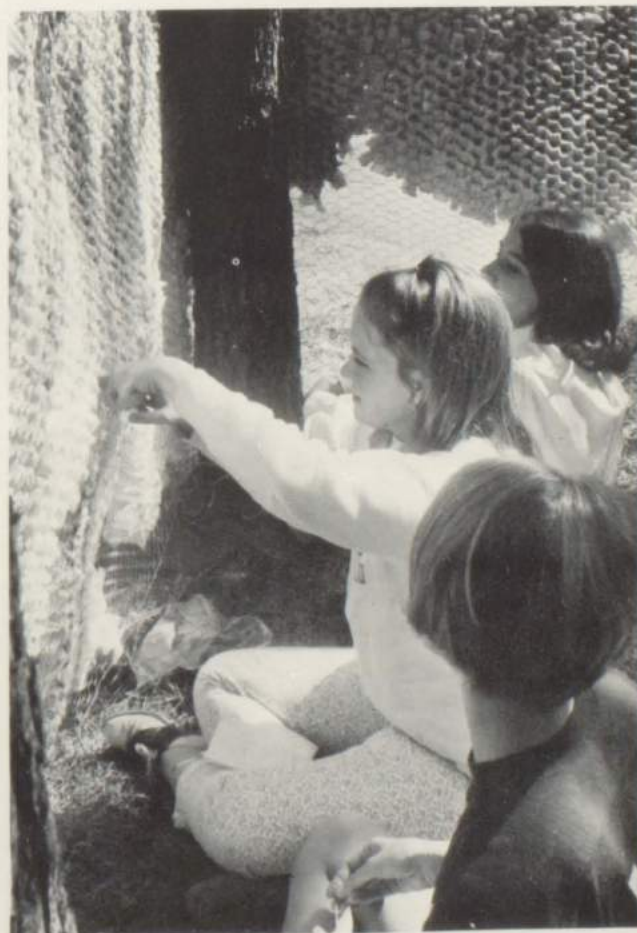
On a nippy Thursday night, exuberant students began this 1969 Homecoming entry with the traditional blazing bonfire and a highstepping shirttail parade. At this energetic phase of Homecoming, Miss Flame, Debbie Maddox, prophesied a stunning victory for the Wildcats over the Tifton Blue Devils.

This same spirit hung thick in the air during the Pep Club's Homecoming Chapel program the next morning. Throughout the day following the program, students anxiously awaited the dismissal bell for another important part of their 1968 Homecoming structure—the parade.

From the most bedraggled float to the winning DOSTA OUTLOOK entry, depicting a western jail and a hanging, the parade was a long procession of the results of arduous sessions of painting, building, and that unavoidable napkin-stuffing.



LEFT: Miss Flame, Debbie Maddox, reads her victory proclamation. CENTER RIGHT: Mindy Cadou, Miss Spirit (far left), applauds as Rodney Pearlman, Mr. Spirit leads cheer. ABOVE: DOSTA OUTLOOK members ride their winning float. RIGHT: Seniors Jan Howell, Becky Southwell, and Kathy Adams stuff napkins for a float.





TOP LEFT: Senior attendants Richard Cowart and Brenda McLain leave the field after halftime ceremonies. TOP CENTER: In order to enjoy the last half of the game, Queen Debbie Duncan changed to a suit. After the game, Debbie and Miss Flame, Debbie Maddox, make a smiling exit. BOTTOM LEFT: During the Homecoming dance, Cissy Williams sniffs the rose worn by her date, Ronnie Pitcock. BOTTOM CENTER: Homecoming queen and king Debbie Duncan and Jerry Dennis enter. TOP RIGHT: While Mr. Charles Green, principal, crowns Homecoming queen Debbie Duncan, attendants Kenny Moore and Joy Alderman, sophomores; Jeannie Hansen and Wesley Blanchard, juniors; Brenda McLain and Richard Cowart, seniors; and King Jerry Dennis smile at spectators. FAR RIGHT: Jan Howell, of the Student Council waits to present roses to the queen. BOTTOM RIGHT: Seniors Robbie Blanton and Donald Davis juke-out at the dance. BOTTOM, FAR RIGHT: Esther Paine, senior, catches rhythm.



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by Homecoming Events



Marching music really sets people on the go.

In the same way students at Valdosta High School felt themselves propelled into action by the events of Homecoming. For example, after the election early in the week, class attendants practiced walking in rhythm to the theme from *Gone With the Wind* as played by the Marchin' Cats.

On Friday night the court's practice sessions paid off when they formed a stately procession to the center of the field. Halftime festivities reached a crescendo with the coronation of Queen Debbie Duncan. After the ceremonies, the court retired to the sidelines, where they watched the remainder of the game.

W. G. Nunn School was the site of all the action of the Homecoming dance. There students and their dates gyrated to the beat of E. Hall and the Hosemen.

Dance decorations, created to comply with the "Death Valley Days" theme, depicted such events as a daring gunfight and a thrilling stage-coach ride.



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Hillbillies Do Their Thing



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ABOVE: Bo Woodward as Ossie expresses himself, while Judy Hunt, Minnie, looks on in disgust. TOP CENTER: Christmas carols bring the audience in on the excitement. PANEL RIGHT: Seniors Donald Davis, Robbi Blanton and Jan Howell reflect various moods of play. CENTER BOTTOM: Junior Bo Woodward and senior Robbi Blanton look on as Jan Howell, senior, takes a last look at her lines. FAR RIGHT: Sally McCoy, senior, as Widow Hinkley straightens the Christmastree branches.

at Christmas Chapel Program



Bright and tangy, Christmas bounded in on a sleigh full of merry laughs when the Student Council unleashed "the Hilbilly Christmas Carol" at their annual Christmas Chapel Program. Mrs. Nelson Hitchcock also helped create the holiday mood with Valdosta High's chorus.

Scrooge came to life again as *Joshua Frunheiser* (Donald Davis, senior) in the Council's play. *Frunheiser* refused to let the Christmas spirit surround his abode but had it imposed upon him like a ball of mistletoe when the *Hinkleys* schemed up a visit to his cabin.

Tempting him with food and good will had no effect. Only when *Hiram Hinkley* (David Hobbs, junior) donned a sheet like a ghost and scared him, did he seem to come out of his introverted selfishness.

Other council members included in the hillbilly escapade were *Widow Hinkley* (Sally MacCoy, senior), *Cora Belle Hinkley* (Robbi Blanton, senior), *Minnie Sue* (Judy Hunt, senior), *Lizzie Ann* (Jan Howell, senior), and *Ossie* (Bo Woodward sophomore).

Like the finishing touch of tinsel on a Christmas tree, the program concluded with carols sung by the audience and chorus.

Christmas was also reflected throughout the rest of the day by the door decorations, by the victory Christmas tree in the lunchroom, and by numerous bulletin boards. But the best part of this Friday was the 3:20 bell heralding the start of a two-week vacation.



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Club Events



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Display Faculty, Student Talents



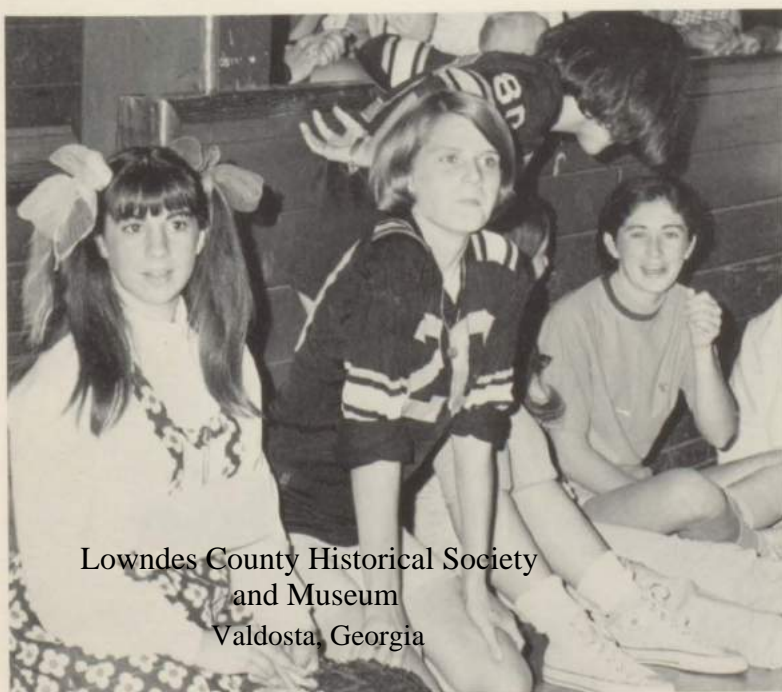
Faculty and students alike displayed their talents in two events sponsored by Valdosta High School's Gamma Tri-Hi-Y and Beta clubs. On May 2, The Tri-Hi-Y girls presented a faculty-student basketball game, while the Beta's staged the annual talent show on May 23.

Faculty members squeezed past a team composed of seniors with a 53-51 win at the basketball game, which was held in the "Old Barn." While the players created chaos on the court, the regular basketball cheerleaders and a colorful group of faculty cheerleaders provoked an uproar on the sidelines.

"The Age Of Aquarius" was the theme of the student talent review, which was the last main club-sponsored event in the school year. With a mystic "Aquarius" decoration for a backdrop, Susan Eye, junior, won first place for two piano numbers—"Exodus" and "Autumn Leaves." Sophomores Emily Applequest, Susan Smith, and Carol Crook, "Act Three," won second place with their song numbers, while "The Riley Rutland Trio"—seniors Riley Rutland, Ricky Keller, and Danny Spicer—won the third place award for their band numbers. Junior Ken Steele won honorable mention.



TOP LEFT: Coach Jack Rudolph shoots for another faculty point, while seniors Tim Bregdon and Ronnie Pitcock try to block him. TOP RIGHT: Teachers Jack Rudolph, Jack Hart, Charlie Greene, Alan Snider and Joe Wilson, plan their winning strategy. ABOVE: Junior Susan Eye plays her way to a first place win in the Beta Talent Review. FAR LEFT: Sophomores Carol Crook, Susan Smith, and Emily Applequest win second place with their singing talents. OPPOSITE: Junior Bonnie Carter and senior Cathy Pipkin intently watch the basketball game, while senior Nan Miller jokes with junior Marcia Stephenson.



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TOP LEFT: Tanya Webb, first runner-up. ABOVE: Vicki Pearlman, second runner-up. RIGHT: Millie Krug, Miss Valdosta High School of 1968, crowns the new queen, junior Kathy Hendrix.



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Junior Queen Recalls Enchanted Evening



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Judges called these girls the ten fairest: Tutta Bird; Sarah Stickley; Tanya Webb, first runner up; Kathy Hendrix, queen; Vickie Pearlman, second

runner up; Peggy Myddleton; Mary Shirah. KNEELING: Beverly Newlin, Mona Richards, Erin Sherman.



Program and decorations proclaimed the night of March 8 to be "Some Enchanted Evening." For one junior girl the enchantment was intensified by one fact—she won.

Reflecting back on that night, Kathy Hendrix, crowned Miss Valdosta High, remembered the evening with varying emotions, most prominent among these being disbelief and shock that she had been chosen queen of the beauty pageant. She remembered days of practicing as girls walked, turned, and smiled in the hopes of securing the title of queen. After the contest she knew that tired feet, wilted hair-dos, and ruined make-up were just as much a part of the contest as the Roman garden props on the City Auditorium stage.

In memory Kathy heard again the nervous chatter and the clicking of heels as each contestant made her appearance. Even the silence vibrated as the judges called the top ten finalists, then the top three, and congratulations and tears mingled.

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When a bird loses its downy feathers and replaces them with silken plumage, it celebrates by spreading airy arms to the winds. When a senior nears that glorious moment of graduation, he adorns himself in finery for soaring to the two events serving as a prelude to the actual graduation exercises—the Senior Banquet and the Junior-Senior Dance.

Seniors and their dates gathered at the Holiday Inn to celebrate the annual banquet. There they heard a speech by Mr. Hershel Creasman, assistant pastor at the First Baptist Church. Mr. Creasman challenged the graduates to acquire three degrees—the bachelor of faith, the master of self, and the doctorate of purpose.

On the following night, juniors hosted the upperclass in an oriental setting at the annual dance. These hosts had transformed the city auditorium into a Japanese haven of beauty. Gaily tinted paper fish and lanterns swayed along with the students as the Shilohs, a local rock group, belted out popular tunes.

Over the entrance to the dance floor, a giant Buddha smiled down his welcome, while two bashful geisha girls stood by his side.



Seniors Spread Wings at Pre-Graduation Galas



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FAR LEFT: At the dance Coach Jack Rudolph greets sophomore Dee Dee Durden and her escort, senior David Crockett, as senior Jerry Neal waits in line with his date. TOP, LEFT: Junior Kathy Veatch and her escort, Steve Lincoln, joke during a band break. CENTER, LEFT: Senior Judy Weeks and her escort, Stuart Mullis, and senior Richard Cowart and his date, Jeannie Hansen, try their steak dinners. BOTTOM, LEFT: DE sponsor, Mr. Norman Green, and the special speaker, Mr. Hershel Creasman, enjoy the first part of the program. TOP, RIGHT: Seniors Mona Richards and Cathy Pipkin swing to the music of the Shilohs with their dates, Jimmy Hubbard and junior Wayne Simpson. LEFT: Senior class officers Joy Parrish and Jan Howell greet senior Debbie Duncan and her date, Richard Vann, at the Senior Banquet.

Seniors Dabble in Dramatic Paintbox

Reaching into a dramatic paintbox, the senior class chose the comedy, *The Curious Savage*, as a backdrop for their annual dramatic endeavor.

From this dramatic paintbox came eleven colorful roles for which tryouts were held—not the usual “read-a-few-lines” tryouts but rollicking, imaginative monologues and on-the-spot dramatic scenes. Tempers flared, eyes flashed, and tears fell, all for the chance to be one of *The Family*, *The Guests*, or *The Staff*.

With tryouts over, eleven seniors became an essential part of the play. Sarah Stickley copped the lead as *Mrs. Ethel Savage*, an elderly woman with eccentric tastes. Members of her family were *Lilly Belle Savage*, played by Nancy Blanton; *Judge Samuel Savage*, Rod Holland; and *Senator Titus Savage*, David Fender.

Assuming the colorful roles as *The Guests of The Cloisters*, an institution for the mentally unbalanced, Mary Riggle, Emily Marshall, Carol Gillespie, Glenn Hatcher, and Calvin Rouse became *Fairy*, *Florence*, *Mrs. Paddy*, *Hannibal*, and *Jeffery*. Scooter Singletary and Kathy Adams, as *Dr. Emmett* and *Miss Wilhemina*, took the parts of the Staff.

Under the direction of Jan Howell, student director, and Miss Nadine Wanetka, speech and drama major at Valdosta State College, these characters came to life for three performances.



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Assume Colorful Roles



FAR LEFT: An irate Mrs. Paddy vents her fury on everything in one of her usual explosive moments. CENTER: Fairy almost blinds Hannibal while Jeffery and Florence try to intercede. BELOW: Jan Howell, student coordinator, and Donald Davis, student council president, join the cast in reading telegrams of congratulations before the curtain goes up. BELOW LEFT: Physically wounded, Lilly Belle Savage gasps at the idea of being bitten by her mother, Mrs. Savage. BELOW, BOTTOM LEFT: Hannibal expresses his opinion of Mrs. Paddy's irate behavior. BELOW, RIGHT: Mrs. Savage defends herself against the charges of the Guests.



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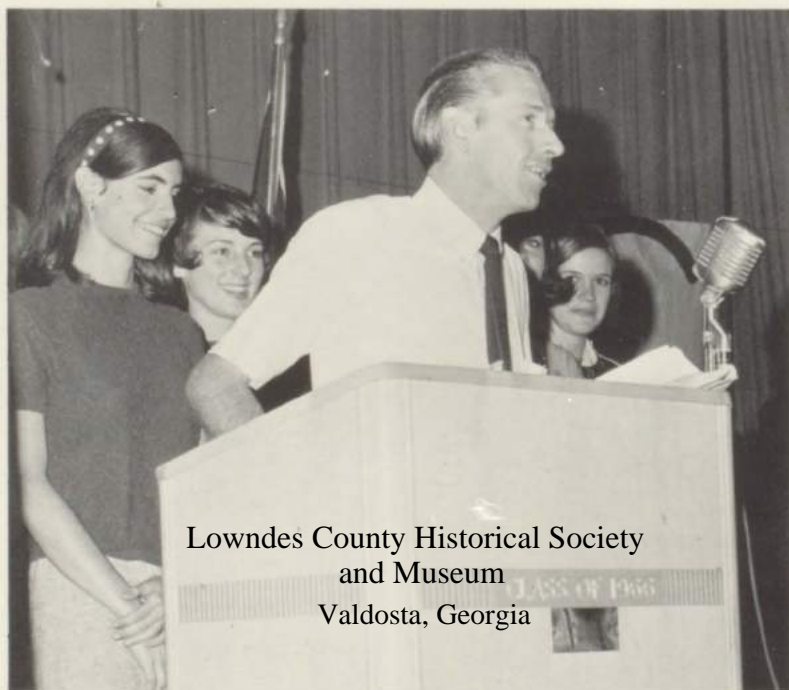
Seniors Crown Teacher "Queen for Their Day"

Seniors shared their traditional Senior Day assembly program when they climaxed it by proclaiming Mrs. Oliver Googe "Queen for the Day."

Mrs. Googe, senior English teacher, had helped them select the theme for their program and had guided them in their preparations.

With Sarah Stickley as narrator, the class recalled acts one, two, three, and four of their school years. Comalea Rich tried to teach combinations to a group of stubborn scholars. Some energetic make-believe fourth graders reenacted the civil defense maneuvers that all school children practiced during the Cuban crisis. Other groups tested their dancing memories by doing the hokey pokey and the twist.

When they reached Act Five, however, the seniors put aside all frivolity and surveyed the setting of this phase of their lives as being a mountain to be climbed. They gathered around their "Queen for the Day" for the singing of the class song, "Climb Every Mountain."



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TOP LEFT: Mindy Cadou, Franklin Dallas, Joy Parrish and Kathy Pipkin have fun dancing the hokey pokey in one episode of the Senior Day program. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Oliver Googe beams and clutches roses and candy after the seniors crown her "Queen for the Day." Seniors Ronnie Pitcock, Jan Howell, Joe Clary, Barbara Bowers, Donald Davis, Becki Southwell, and Starr Runyon share her happiness. BOTTOM LEFT: Rodney Perlman, hoisted on the shoulders of his classmates, leads the seniors in the classic yell, "Seniors One Time." BOTTOM RIGHT: Mr. Frank Butenschon is at a loss for words and can only smile after Erin Sherman's announcement that the seniors have dedicated the SANDSPUR to him.



Girl's Chorus Brightens School Year



Added to the Valdosta High School curricular palette, the chorus brightened the school year with musical tones.

To shed light on the literary and cultural facets of the school, Mrs. Nelson Hitchcock presented her singing group at Christmas and at Easter.

From their bright gold dresses to their melodious harmonies, the chorus radiated a special type of colorful atmosphere.

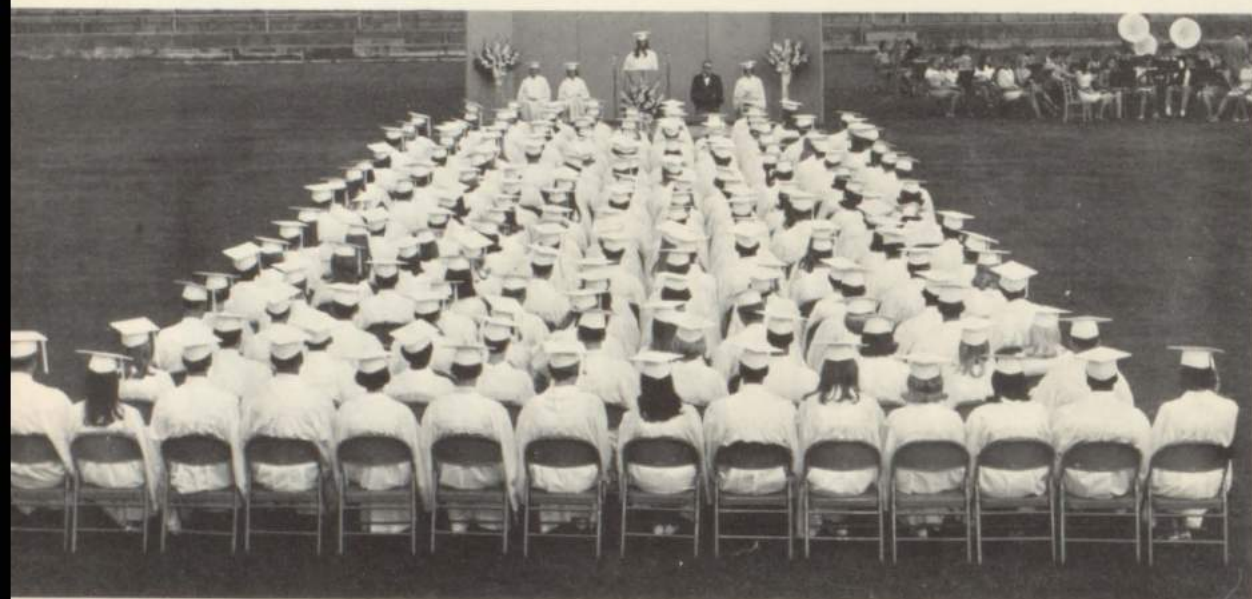
At the district literary meet held in Albany, the chorus won two meritorious ratings, even though the group entered the meet without prior experience in such competition.

Debra Beaty placed fourth in Girl's Solo. She also joined with Debbie Mathis and Iris Wiggins to form the Valdosta Girls Trio, which went on to place third in the region 1-AA literary meet.

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TOP: Debbie Mathis, Iris Wiggins, and Debra Beaty serenade the audience as Mrs. Nelson Hitchcock admires their talents. MIDDLE LEFT: Iris Wiggins and Janet Ward attentively follow Mrs. Nelson Hitchcock's motions as she directs and accompanies the chorus. BOTTOM LEFT: Debbie Mathis, Judy Rogero, Roseann Roskamp, Emily Marshall, Debra Beaty, Lois Primrose, and Sarah Sue Berry prepare to perform. BOTTOM RIGHT: Chorister Judy Rogero sings in Easter concert.

White, Green, Gold Form Backdrop for Baccalaureate Message

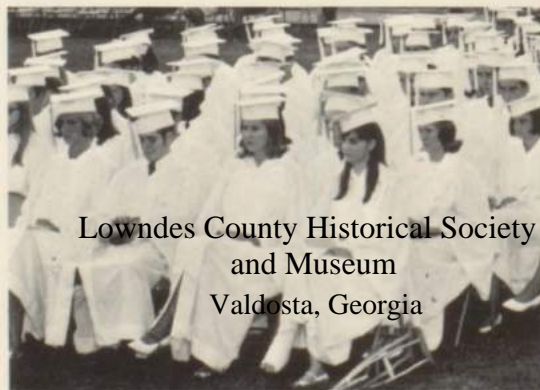


Stark white flashed against the backdrop of Valdosta High School as the class of 1969 found their way to the stadium gates to await the first strains of "Pomp and Circumstance."

This year's cloudless sky was streaked a blazen orange against the caps and gowns, while a gentle breeze playfully tugged at the tassels of the graduates. This kaleidoscope of colors made it clear that Baccalaureate services were taking place on Cleveland Field.

Then with a fanfare of trumpets and a flutter of white, the seniors were involved in an exercise bringing a message from the spiritual community to their graduating class. This message was delivered by the Reverend A. E. Bishop, pastor of the Forrest Street United Methodist Church. He urged the class to "search for the abundant life" and by doing so to live life more abundantly.

To mark the end of the ceremony, the setting sun dipped beneath the crimson horizon, and the graduates recessed from the stadium, half way across the bridge between high school and graduation.



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OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Class of 1969 listens to Bonnie Goans deliver the scripture for the service. OPPOSITE PAGE LEFT: Jan Howell, class president, waits for her father, Mr. John Howell, as he chats with Coach Wright Bazemore and Mr. Grodon Southwell. CENTER LEFT TOP: Bonnie Goans, Wes Davis, and King Smith, honor graduates taking part on the program, wait for the remaining members of the class to take their places. CENTER LEFT BOTTOM: Graduates listen to the baccalaureate message. CENTER: In his closing remarks, the Reverend A. E. Bishop reminds the class to search for abundant life. TOP: Erin Sherman, honor graduate, leads the graduates across the field. ABOVE: Esther Paine adjusts the robe of Mindy Cadou, while her classmate, Margaret Williams, aids Judy Landey with her cap.

Graduates Urged to Prize Individuality



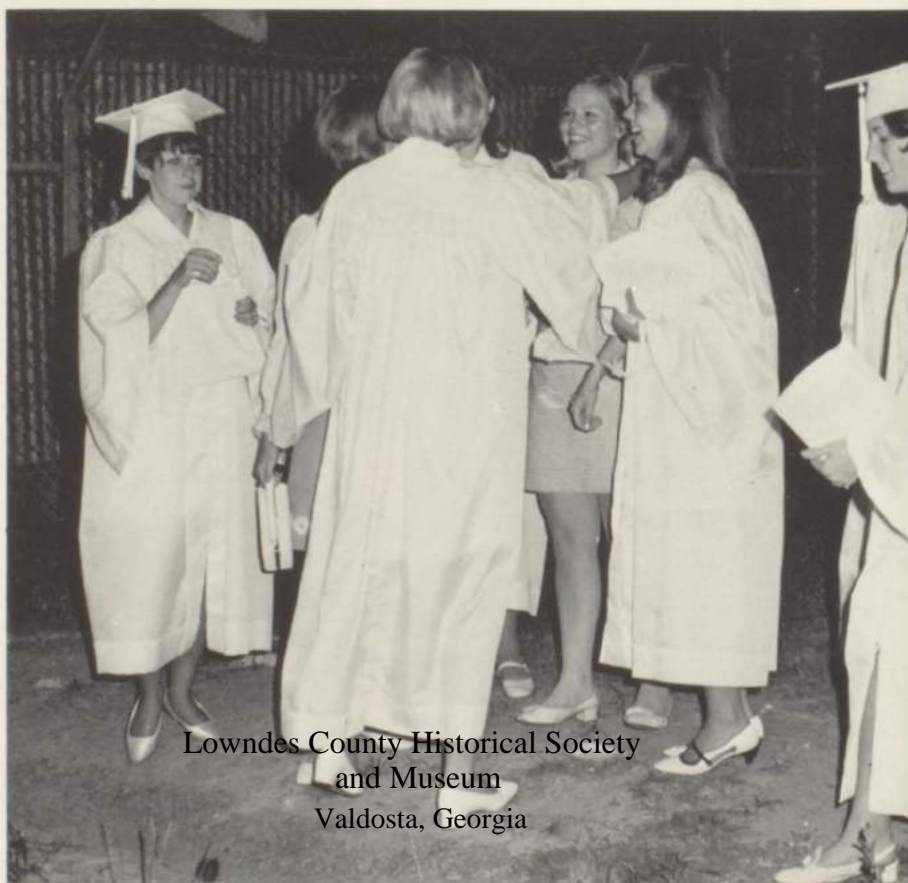
Graduation night was in some ways a repeat of the white, green, and gold of the previous evening. But this time the accent was on the gold tassels of the honor graduates who gave the invocation, delivered the welcoming and valedictory speeches, and introduced the featured speaker, Mr. Jimmy Copeland, social studies teacher and friend, whom the graduates had chosen for the second time to address them.

In his down-to-earth remarks, Mr. Copeland reminded the boys and girls that instead of preparing for life they were actually living at the present. He further asked them to remember that they owed the world their best and that they should not sit around whining and demanding favors.

"Be friends," he pleaded, "and you will always have friends: Be doers and you will achieve."

Prior to his brief address, Erin Sherman and King Smith both told their classmates to prize individuality.

After Mr. Charles Green, principal, presented the graduating class, the diplomas were given to the seniors by Mr. John Howell and Mr. Gordon Southwell, members of the Board of Education and fathers of two graduating seniors, Jan Howell and Becki Southwell.



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OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP LEFT: Mrs. L. P. Thomas, secretary, explains to Board of Education member Mr. John Howell the arrangement of the diplomas. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Woodrow Leonard, senior home room teacher, escorts Kay Lewis across the field before the other graduates file in. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Alumni Melani Tudor and Paula Rainey congratulate graduates Sissie McCrary, Debbie Maddox, and Barbara Bowers as Denise Irby, Joy Parrish and Louise Parrish take those last triumphant steps out of Cleveland Field. TOP LEFT: Mr. Jimmy Copeland, social studies teacher chosen by the seniors as their graduation speaker, reminds the class of its obligations. TOP RIGHT: Honor graduates Erin Sherman, salutatorian, and King Smith, valedictorian, urge their classmates to strive for individuality. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mr. Charles Green, principal of VHS, presents the graduates.



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Wildcats Gain National Recognition



Coach Wright Bazemore's charges are used to the enthusiastic backing of local fans. But this year they expanded their horizons.

Mr. J. P. Stevens, textile manufacturer and executive, has for the past few years adopted the football Wildcats as "his" team. On a number of occasions he has flown down to Valdosta to see the 'Cats in action. Last fall, when the 'Cats played Brunswick for the I-AAA region championship, Mr. Stevens was among the fans who cheered the team to victory.

More national recognition came to the Wildcats when Glenn Williams, offensive tackle, and Walter Jones, defensive tackle, were named to the mythic All-American prep team.

While basking in this national limelight, the team gained still more fame when Coach Wright Bazemore was named one of the nine outstanding high school coaches for the entire country.

TOP LEFT: All-American high school tackles Walter Jones and Glenn Williams pose in a rare moment of inactivity. BELOW: Coach Wright Bazemore, surrounded by trophies and awards won by his teams, doodles possible formations. SORRY: No picture of Mr. Stevens was available.



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Valdosta	22
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Freeze, Cats Spark for Championship

Thomasville	0
Dougherty	0
Jesup	0
Ware County	0
Albany	0
Moultrie	0
Monroe	6
Coffee County ...	0
Tifton	0
Lowndes	6
CHAMPIONSHIP	
Lanier	7
CHAMPIONSHIP	
Glynn Academy ..	0
CHAMPIONSHIP	
Forest Park	12



Neither rain nor sleet nor snow can stop the United States mail, and it did not stop the Valdosta High School Wildcats in Atlanta, December 14, 1968.

Ten regular season victories, including eight shut-outs, made the 'Cats region 1-AAA champs. And the two post season wins, over Lanier and Glynn Academy, led them to frigid Grant Field, where they battled for the state crown.

Braving the elements, the Wildcats stepped on to Georgia Tech's Grant Field ready to play football. They used the same running game and passing attack that had carried the 'Cats to twelve previous victories. Gaining 178 yards on the ground and 95 yards through the air, the Valdosta gridders rolled to a 37-12 win over the Forest Park Panthers. And again the 'Cats ruled as State Class AAA Champions.

Because they had outscored their opponents, 475-31, they were ranked number two in a national prep chart by Art Jolhfe of National News Sports Service.

In order to meet Forest Park in the championship game, the 'Cats first had to overcome Lanier and Glynn Academy in playoff games. Against the Lanier Poets, the 'Cats' defense bottled-up speedster Isaac Jackson, while the offensive team scored vital points. They also dealt a crushing blow to the Red Terrors of Glynn Academy and their coach, former VHS mentor J. B. Roland.



TOP LEFT: Captains Ronnie Pitcock, Frank Deming, and Glenn Williams stride to pre-game ceremony in Atlanta. BOTTOM LEFT: Coach Wright Bazemore gets victory ride after state game. BOTTOM CENTER: Larry Howell shuns Lanier tackles. TOP RIGHT: Half-frozen fans warm up during tense moments at championship game. BOTTOM RIGHT: Danny O'Neal breaks through Forest Park defense to score a touchdown.

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Football Fridays Follow Routine



TOP LEFT: Frank Deming outruns Tifton tacklers for valuable yardage. BOTTOM: Danny O'Neal is brought down by two Albany defenders. TOP RIGHT: Students show spirit at pep rally before game. OPPOSITE: Mike Flail receives ball, then dives for pay dirt. FAR RIGHT, BOTTOM: Victorious Coach Wright Bazemore congratulates Moultrie mentor Bob Willis after Packers make 'Cats fight for game.



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From Pep Rally to Victory



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Beginning in September and continuing until the football season was completed in mid-December, Fridays at Valdosta High followed a set routine.

In the morning chapel programs, cheerleaders began to get the student body in the spirit of things by performing short skits and songs which told of the power of the mighty 'Cats and of the inevitable doom of opponents.

Students and faculty poured into the gym at 3:00, where the cheerleaders again led in praising the 'Cats. Then the captains and Coach Wright Bazemore in turn made predictions for the upcoming game.

By 8:00, the stands of Death Valley rattled to the roar of students and citizens as the 'Cats raced onto the field, with what some sportswriters termed "machine-like precision," to trounce the opponents.

Whatever the outcome, with the final whistle Coach Wright Bazemore offered his congratulations to the opposing coach, while exuberant fans swept onto the field.





LEFT: Nan Miller greets Sherrod Rodgers with a big smile after Homecoming victory. TOP: Joe Bell rambles with Lowndes High Viking hanging on. ABOVE: Coffee County halfback meets solid 'Cat defense. TOP RIGHT: Larry Howell scoots to avoid defenders at practice. OPPOSITE: Defensive specialists Harry Skoropat, Tom Holt, Douglas Murajda, and Walter Jones take break while offense plays. FAR RIGHT: Quarterback Frank Deming spots open field to stretch legs in Lowndes game.

Glory, Cats Return to Practice



Among the fans who swept onto the field were certain young ladies who proudly escorted their battle-scarred heroes to the locker rooms and waited while the boys changed for postgame dates. These girls led all others in praising the victorious 'Cats.

Newspapers and radio and television stations also praised the 'Cats. These news media, though supporters of rival schools, were largely responsible for Valdosta's widespread fame.

But all thoughts of glory and fame were disregarded when the 'Cats returned to practice on Monday. Coach Wright Bazemore had the players practice for every game as if it were the championship contest. Beginning immediately after school on Monday, the 'Cats followed a rigorous routine every week.

After the scout report was given, they watched films of the previous week's game. At this time Coach Bazemore gave his comments to the team! Then after a brief warm-up the boys began daily scrimmages.

On Thursday the practice was light, but at 7:00 p.m. the gridgers returned to the school for a skull practice preview of the upcoming game.



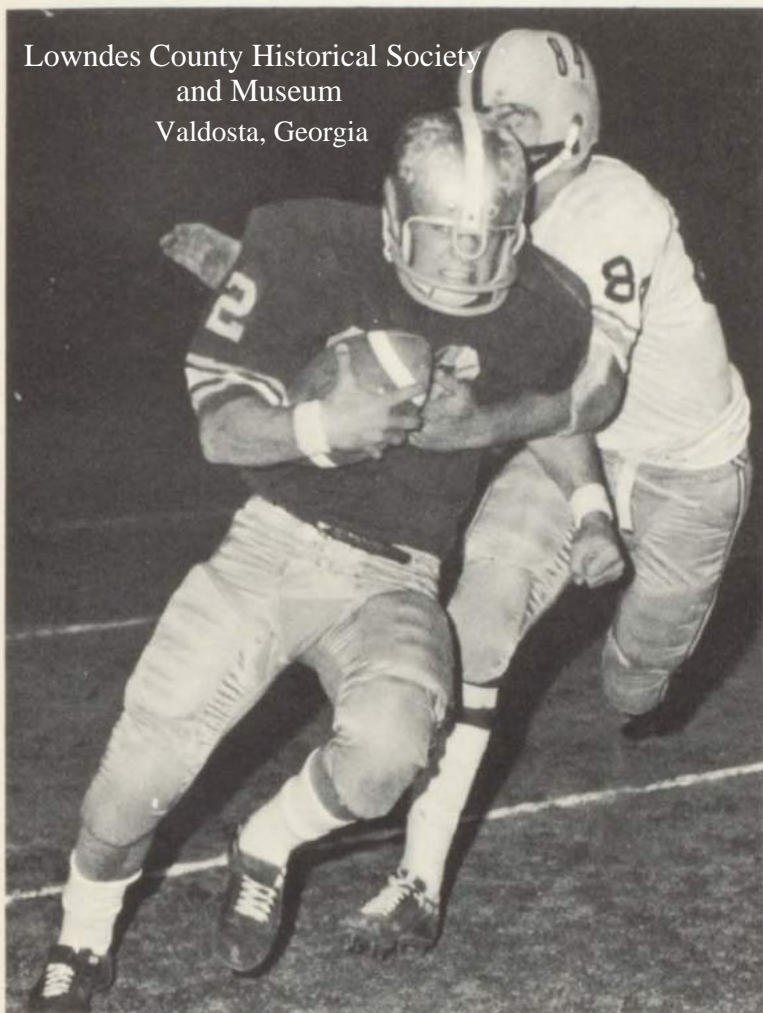
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TOP: Junior Danny O'Neal, seniors Mike Flail, Jerry Neal, Frank Deming, Jim Lloyd, Ronnie Pitcock, Douglas, Murajda, junior Ralph Puckett, and seniors Walter Jones, Larry Howell, Glenn Williams, Jim Clary, Joe Clary, and Don Golden collect trophies at banquet. ABOVE: Featured speaker Bill Peterson gives points of wisdom to gridders and touchdown club members. TOP RIGHT: 'Cats and Panthers mix it up in Atlanta game. BOTTOM RIGHT: Larry Howell expresses appreciation to coaches and team after receiving the Best Offensive Back Award.

Seniors Dominate Honors List, Win Spring Game

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ABOVE, LEFT: Donald Dayton, Has-Been, grabs a fleeing Danny O'Neal, Will-Be.
BELOW: Joe Clary, Has-Been, makes initial tackle of Will-Be, with Ronnie Pitcock
and Donald Dayton in hot pursuit.

In the tradition of Valdosta High School, the Wildcats not only had a victorious season, but also placed many players on post-season honor lists. Continuing to uphold this tradition, the senior 'Cats won the spring practice game, 24-13.

Coach Bill Peterson of Florida State University, featured speaker at the annual Touchdown Club Banquet, praised the entire team.

Individual awards distributed at this event included: Super Skinner, Jim Christie; Sportsmanship, Mike Flail; Spirit of the Wildcats, Ronnie Pitcock; Best Offensive Linemen, Jim and Joe Clary; Best Defensive Lineman, Walter Jones; Best Offensive Back, Larry Howell; Best Defensive Back, Don Golden; Most Improved, Danny O'Neal; Most Loyal, Jim Lloyd; Most Aggressive, Douglas Murajda.

Scholastic awards went to Curt Bazemore, sophomore; Ralph Puckett, junior; and Perry Neal, senior. And the Tommy Hardee Award went to Ronnie Pitcock.

In March the 'Cats again gathered as a team to participate in the Has-Been Will-Be tilt. Graduating seniors, led by coaches Bill Crook and Rick Thomas, then donned football gear for the last time. Having gone undefeated during the season, this group determined not to lose the last one. So, even though they trailed, 6-0, at the half, the senior state champs kept their record clear.





TOP LEFT: Coaches Joe Wilson, Jack Rudolph, Julian LeFiles, Charlie Greene, and Wright Bazemore radiate confidence at the first of the season. BOTTOM LEFT: Larry Howell dives for yardage in the Glynn Academy tilt. TOP RIGHT: Frank Deming signs a scholarship to attend Florida State University. BOTTOM RIGHT, PANEL: Captains Frank Deming, Ronnie Pitcock, and Glenn Williams watch the play while taking breathers. FAR RIGHT: Don Golden carries the ball in a pre-season scrimmage at Football camp.

Road to Title



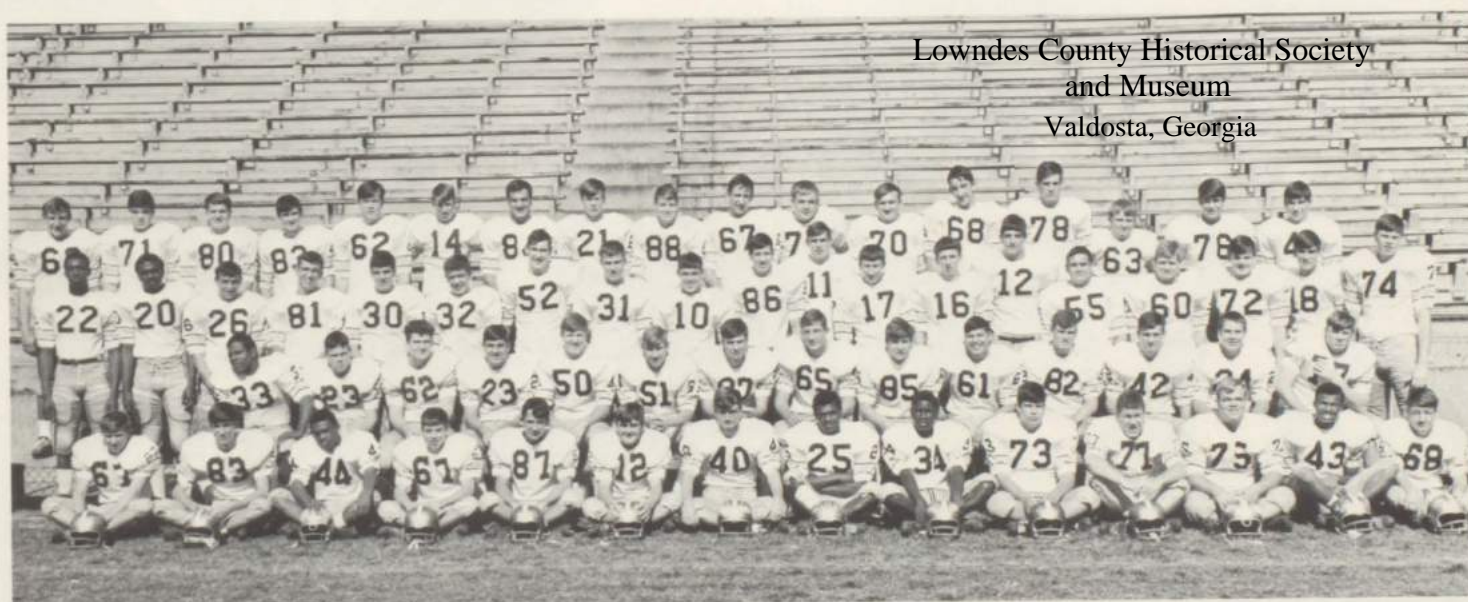
Teamwork, the vital factor for a win on Friday night, does not mysteriously appear at game time and then fade until the next game. It develops at spring practice, grows and matures through summer camp, and then thrives until the season is completed, and a championship is won. Such teamwork among players and coaches provided the winning combination that swept the Wildcats to a AAA-title contest.

Head coach Wright Bazemore led his charges to the state championship for the thirteenth time since he became a Valdosta mentor in 1940.

Assistant coaches Joe Wilson, Charlie Green, Jack Rudolph, and Julian Lefiles aided Bazemore. These men combined their talents in an effort to continue the VHS tradition of winning.

But coaches are only the teachers of the game. Players produce victories. On the field captains Frank Deming, Ronnie Pitcock, and Tiger Williams led their teammates to victory week after week.

After a slow start with a 19-0 win over Thomasville, the 'Cats shifted to high gear and played seven games before Monroe managed to cross the Valdosta goalline. They met and defeated such region foes as Albany, 34-0; Moultrie, 22-0; and Tift County, 20-0. In the season finale, they defeated cross-county rival Lowndes, 48-6.



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BOTTOM ROW: Joe Tillman, Alex Skoropat, LaVictor Lipscomb, Mark Baker, Steve Callahan, Wayne DeLoach, Mike Welch, Reggie Williams, John Hampton, Steve Jaramillo, Scott Metts, Ralph Hendry, Jeffery Jenkins, John Whitten. SECOND ROW: Aaron Holder, Joe Mullis, Ronnie Aikens, Greg Quattlebaum, Mike Everson, Scooter Singletary, Harry Skoropat, Tom Holt, Gary Dove, Ken Attocknie, Kim Marshall, Daryl Branam, Jimmy LeFiles, Danny Powell. THIRD ROW: Larry Howell, Joe Bell, John Marconi,

Henry Davis, Bo Blalock, Danny O'Neal, Jim Christie, Bo Rogers, Curt Bazemore, Jerry Baker, Sherrod Rogers, Tony Davis, Don Golden, Jim Lloyd, Ray Parr, Wayne Simpson, Steve Griffin, Vance Quillen. FOURTH ROW: Mark DiBois, Robert Koncar, Ralph Puckett, Mike Flail, David Fender, Frank Deming, Donald Dayton, Ronnie Pitcock, Jerry Neal, Joe Clary, Glenn Williams, Walter Jones, Jim Clary, Douglas Murajda, Brother Shenton, Frankie Johnson, Benjie Meeks.

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New Gym Welcomes Hoopsters, Fans



BOTTOM ROW: Jerry Williams, Mike Williams, Ronnie Pitcock, Gary Dove, Ralph Puckett, Jerry Baker, Frank Deming. TOP ROW: Manager Alan

Golden, Coach Joe Wilson, Freddie Norris, Benjie Webb, Marty LeFiles, Timmy Brogdon, Don Golden, and Coach Jack Rudolph.

SCOREBOARD

Valdosta . . . 65	Ware 57
Valdosta . . . 55	Moultrie 58
Valdosta . . . 69	Lowndes 55
Valdosta . . . 52	Jesup 44
Valdosta . . . 63	Georgia Christian . . 64
Valdosta . . . 55	Tifton 50
Valdosta . . . 65	Berrien 60
Valdosta . . . 67	Douglas 40
Valdosta . . . 61	Ware 41
Valdosta . . . 65	Moultrie 55
Valdosta . . . 70	Jesup 57
Valdosta . . . 55	Tifton 57
Valdosta . . . 70	Coffee 50
Valdosta . . . 71	Monroe 73
Valdosta . . . 69	Georgia Christian . . 54
Valdosta . . . 72	Lowndes 82
Valdosta . . . 56	Albany 71
Valdosta . . . 49	Moultrie 56
Valdosta . . . 49	Daughtery 84
Valdosta . . . 54	Berrien 56

Region 1-AAA Tournament

Valdosta . . . 64	Lowndes 59
Valdosta . . . 68	Albany 73
Valdosta . . . 68	Dougherty 71

When the basketball season opened, the Valdosta High sharpshooters had to travel, even for home games. They drove a mile and a half north to the new gym on the campus at the Valdosta Junior High School. There, shiny floors, modern lighting, and unobstructed views greeted both the 'Cats and their fans who set new attendance records.

Sharpest shooters for the 'Cats, seniors Mike Williams, Timmy Brogdon, Frank Deming, and Ronnie Pitcock, and juniors Don Golden and Benjie Webb carried the load. These boys provided the height, speed, and agility necessary for a successful campaign.

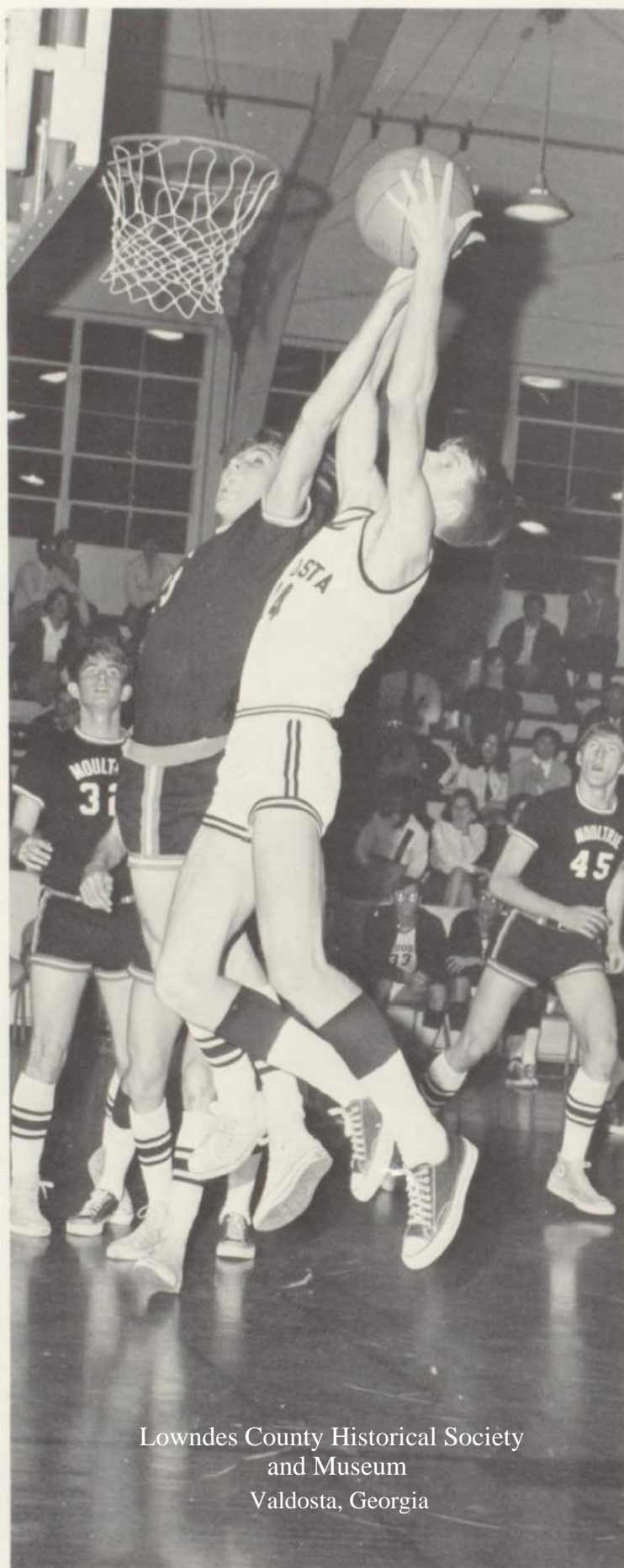
Don Golden, top scorer for the 'Cats, was the third highest pointmaker in Region 1-AAA, with a total of 367 points, Mike Williams, with 238 points; Benjie Webb, with 194 points; and Timmy Brogdon, with 187 points, also placed among the high scorers.

Season highlights came when the 'Cats and Lowndes' Vikings clashed in cross-county tilts. Valdosta won two of the games, 69-55, and, 64-59. However, Lowndes did manage to pull one victory over the 'Cats, 82-72. Georgia Christian handed Valdosta its major disappointment by defeating the 'Cats, 64-63.

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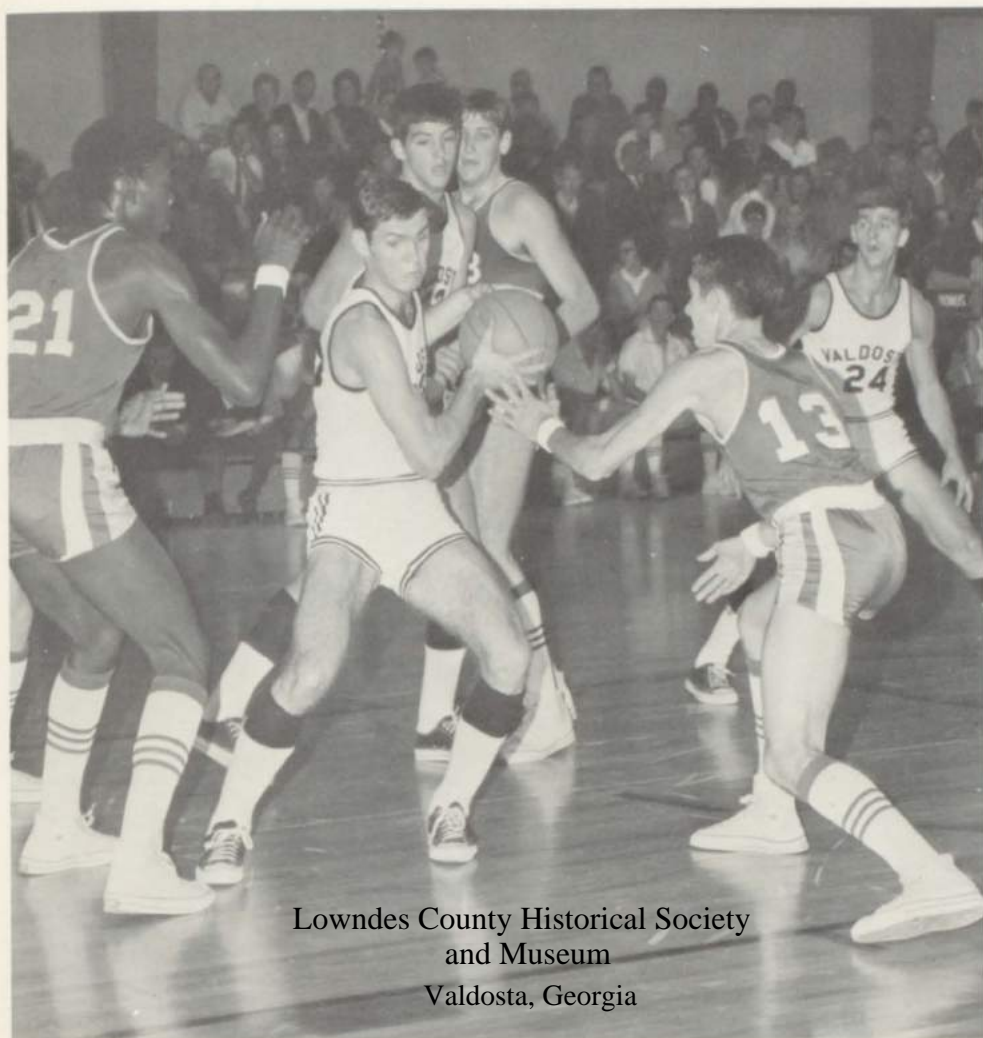


TOP LEFT: Benjie Webb stretches to retrieve rebound. RIGHT: Frank Deming steals ball from Moultrie Packer. ABOVE: Don Golden applies brakes to await teammates. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP LEFT: Timmy Brogdon is surrounded by Berrien County Rebels. RIGHT: Don Golden fights for ball. BOTTOM: Gary Dove aims for two points.



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Cats Keep Cool in Hot Action



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Under the basket. That's where the action is! And that is where the Valdosta High School cagers stayed. In this no man's land, chaotic tangles of arms and legs as always created mass confusion. But the 'Cats knew that the team that can keep its cool under pressure is the team that will win.

So, under the guidance of Coach Joe Wilson and following the example set by captains Mike Williams and Timmy Brogdon, the 'Cats did keep their cool in the midst of the action.

In the final Lowndes game that all-important coolness of mind saved the night for the 'Cats. With Valdosta leading by one in the third period, Viking Terry Wilkes stole the ball. But a cool-minded 'Cat, Mike Williams, quickly recovered and galloped down court to prevent a field goal.

And even though the basketball season started late due to a prolonged championship football season, the final results, a 12-11 record and fourth place in region 1-AAA, proved the wisdom of the Valdosta quintet's two decisions—to stay under the basket and to hang loose and play it cool.

Basketball Kittens Prove Themselves, "Tameless"

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TOP, BOTTOM ROW: Ann Hires, Joy Johnson, Nan Miller, Sarah Stickley, Diana Boris. MIDDLE ROW: Jerri Barker, Nita Brantley, Pipkin, Berrien Hamill, Kay Herring, Bonnie Carter. TOP ROW: Coach Jack Hart, Cathy Folsom, Karen Noles, Marcia Rykard, Marcia Stephenson, Debbie Stephenson, Manager, Lucy Neal, Coach W. E. Davis. ABOVE LEFT: Ann Hires shoots from behind the goal. ABOVE RIGHT: Diana Boris uses wrist action from the outside. OPPOSITE PAGE, LEFT: Joy Johnson attempts shot over 6'4" Jesup girl. RIGHT: Cathy Pipkin and Georgia Christian School player await basketball.

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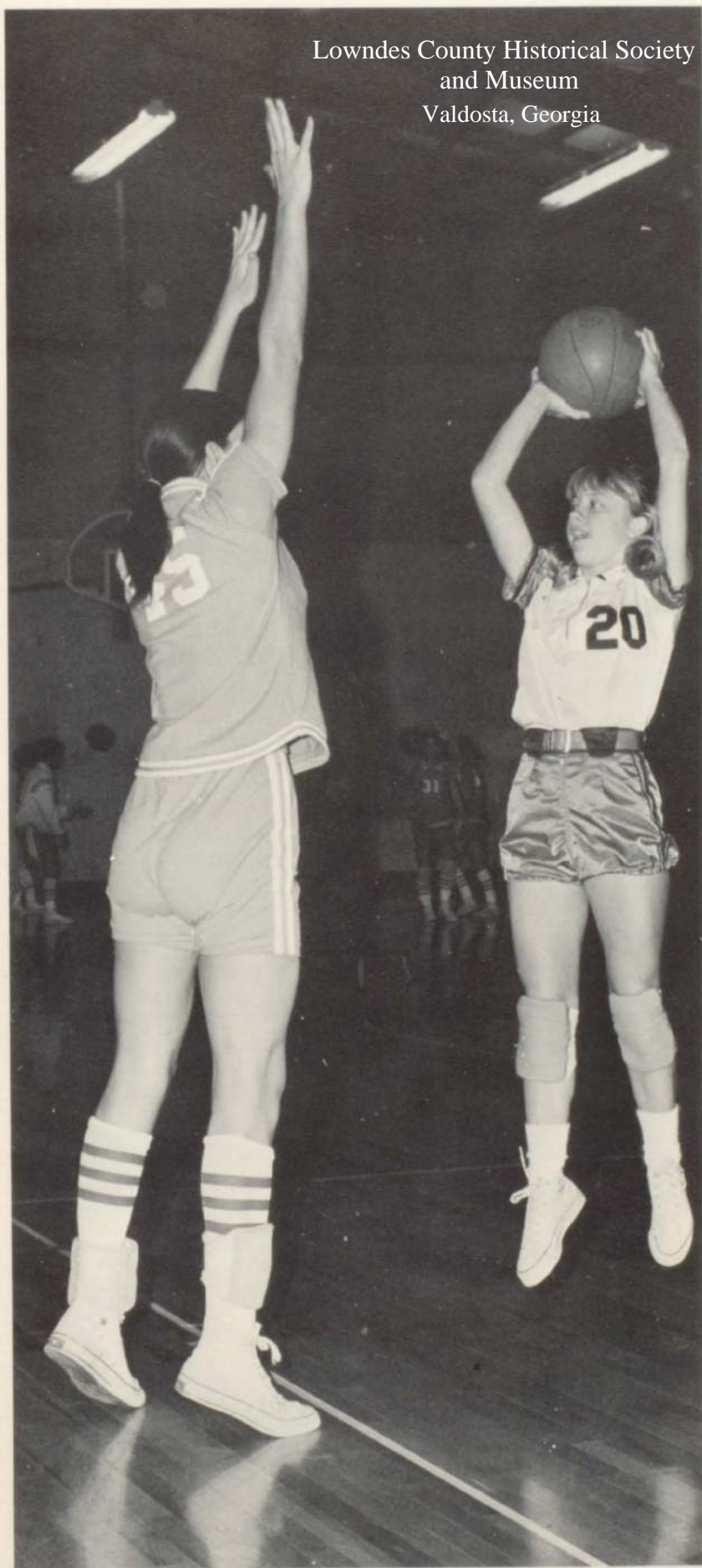
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Valdosta....54	Lowndes	49
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Valdosta....54	Moultrie	43
Valdosta....54	Doughtery	21
Valdosta....29	Berrien	39

Region 1-AAA Tournament

Valdosta....56	Wayne	58
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and Swift, and Proud" in Court Action

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"Tameless, and swift, and proud." This quote by Shelley is a perfect description of Coach W. E. Davis' Wild Kittens.

Each player exhibited a wild, tameless spirit which provided the added incentive needed for wins over Jesup, Clinch county, Coffee County, and Tift County.

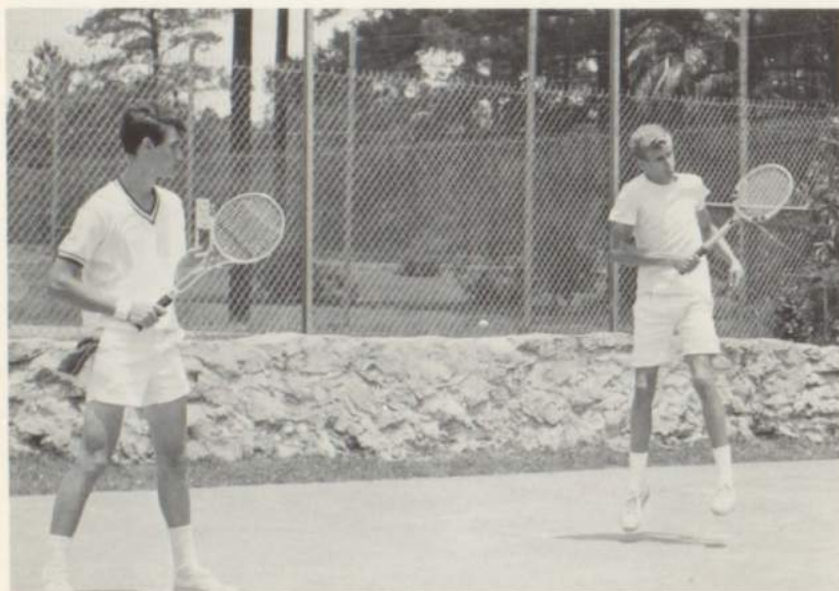
Swift-footed forwards Diana Boris, Ann Hiers, and Karen Noles and quick-reacting guards Sarah Stickley, Nita Brantley and Debbie Stephenson, along with nine other equally-speedy girls, provided the manpower for a 15-6 record, one of the best posted by the Kittens in recent years.

When strength, stamina, and poise are exhausted, pride becomes the essential element in any successful team. Coach Davis' Kittens had pride both as an incentive and as a booster. Because of their pride in the new gym and in the winning tradition of Valdosta High School, they tried harder.

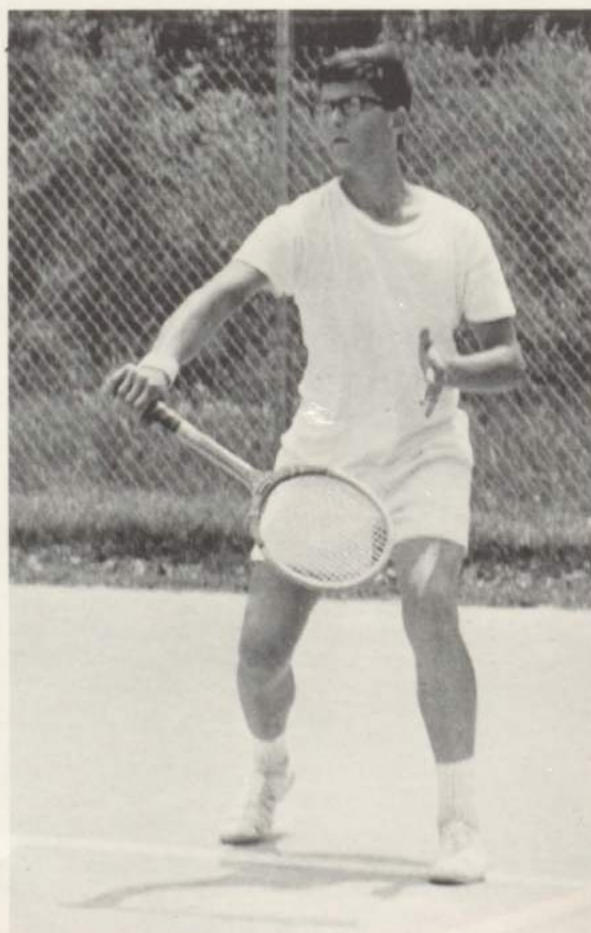
Pride also gave the extra push that helped Diana Boris score a total of 497 points. This attribute was also the basis of Ann Hiers' 307 points and of Karen Noles' 223 points.



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TOP, LEFT: Coach Julian LeFiles' netters are, TOP ROW: David Bullock, David Fender, Wesley Phillips, John Anderson, Michael Phillips, Coach LeFiles. BOTTOM ROW: Jerry LeMontagne, Jeff Slocum, Greg Quattlebaum, Gerald Alcorn, Bo Woodward. BOTTOM, LEFT: David Bullock watches as his partner, Jerry LeMontagne, completes his serve. MIDDLE, TOP: John Anderson, playing in the region finals, takes the measure of his opponent. BOTTOM, MIDDLE: Jeff Slocum follows the forward motion of the ball. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP, LEFT: Lynn Phillips, playing net, seems to be waving to her opponent. OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM, LEFT: Mrs. Sumner's whiteclads are Liz Sparger, Lucy Stewart, Barbara Nelson, Lynn Van Horn, Lynn Phillips, and Joyce Hodge. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP, LEFT: Lucy Stewart strains to slam a serve.



Netters Go Far Before Being Stymied



Tennis is a game requiring much skill and a little luck. It takes great skill to serve as well as to return a volley accurately. It also takes a few breaks to be in the right place at precisely the right instant, depending upon the position of the sun, force of the wind, and other such conditions of nature.

Even though a team has skill, a couple of lucky breaks for the opponents may bring defeat. Such was the cast of the Valdosta High School Kittens. Players Lucy Stewart, Lynn Phillips, Lynn Van Horn, Liz Sparger, Joyce Hodge, and Barbara Nelson had skill on their side but still had a disappointing final record, 5-5, dropping two of their last four matches by two points.

Although Lunn Phillips in singles and Liz Sparger and Lynn Van Horn in doubles reached the region semifinals, no one could go any further.

Experience and skill were not enough for the 'Cats, either. John Anderson, Jeff Slocum, Jerry LaMontagne, Gerald Alcorn, David Fender, and David Bullock pulled just two wins against six losses. Four of these losses were by three points or less.

On the brighter side, John Anderson, undefeated in region competition, won the Region 1-AAA singles Championship and made it to the state semi-finals before bowing out.



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BELOW, LEFT: Mark Starling shows his high flying style in a pole vaulting event. RIGHT: Mark DiBois hurls discus with ballet form. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP, LEFT: Don Golden's usual long stride sends him sailing in the broad jump. BOTTOM, LEFT: Mark Starling clears bar at better than five feet in high jump competition. RIGHT: Robert Koncar displays his own technique of following through after throwing the shot.



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RIGHT, BOTTOM ROW: Mike Beck, David Roddey, Ricky Griffis, Reginald Williams, John Fisher, La Victor Lipscombe, Tony Lowery. SECOND ROW: Wayne DeLoach, Steve Jarmilio, Robert Koncar, Jim Christy, Tom Holt, Ralph Hendry, Mark DiBois, Curt Bazemore, Jeffery Jenkins. THIRD ROW: Bruce Sawyer, Brother Shenton, Sissie McCrary, Nancy Griffin, Janet Hiers, Jerry Neal, Bo Blalock, Bob Dewar, Mike Welch. TOP ROW: Larry Howell, Joe Bell, Jerry Williams, Barry Henderson, John J. Hampton, Aaron Holder, Barney Wilson, Don Golden, Coach Charles Greene.



Track Team Takes Advantage of New Facilities

Although new and better facilities help to improve a team's performance, it takes time for that team to learn to take full advantage of them. Last year the Valdosta High School track team placed second in sub-region competition. This was the best record a VHS track team had ever posted. This team's success was attributed to the new cinder track located on the campus of Valdosta Junior High School.

But this year the 'Cats, with the aid of increased participation and fan support, ended the season with an even better record. In sub-region competition they had 5 first-place finishes and 3 second-place finishes. They finished first in that category by defeating Jesup, 159-157, and advanced to region competition. In Albany the 'Cats had 116½ points; Monroe, 87 points; and Jesup, 76 points. Therefore the 'Cats were named the 1-AAA champs and earned the right to compete for state honors in Atlanta.

This two-day meet brought together the best from each region in the state. Mark DiBois hurled the discus 154'10" to place second. Mike Beck jumped 45'7" in the triple jump to beat the previous state record by 18 inches, but still came in fourth. Speedster Larry Howell ran in the 220 yard dash and the 100 yard dash. He placed second in the 220, and even though the winning time for the 100 was 9.8, Howell's 9.9 was good only for a fourth place. For their efforts the Valdosta Wildcats were ranked fifth in the state.

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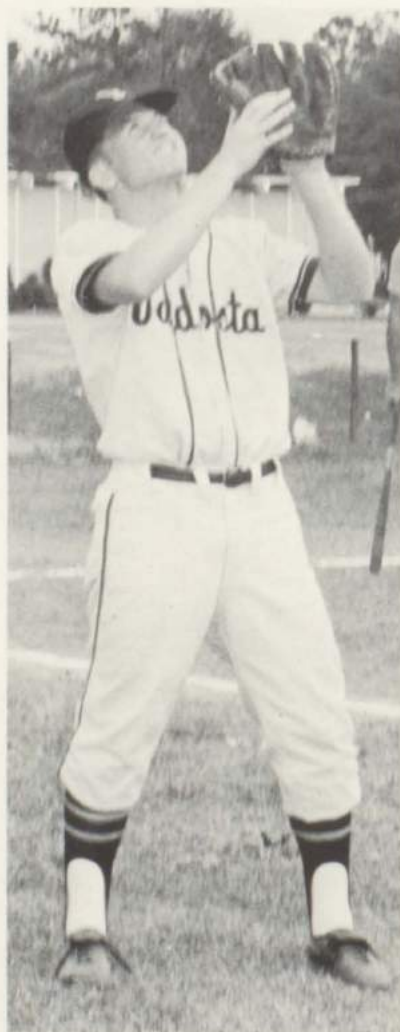


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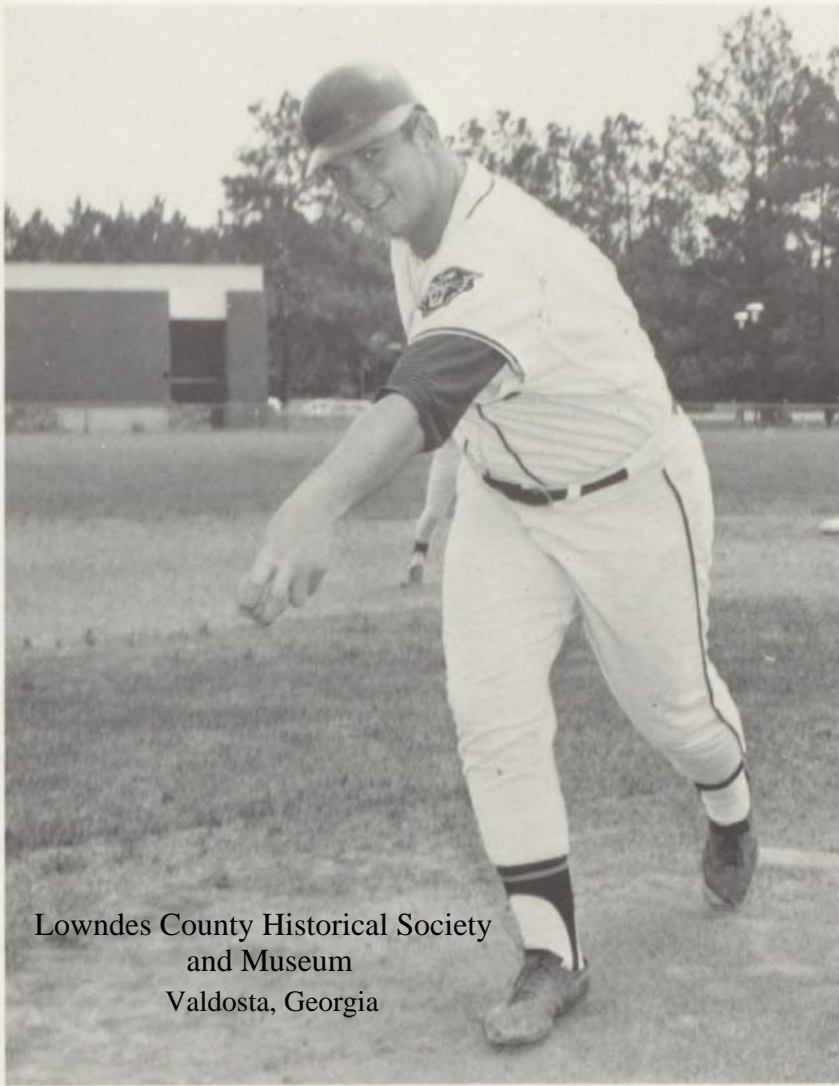
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FIRST ROW: Coach Joe Wilson, Cecil Dubberly, Don Golden, Jerry Dennis, Joe Clary, Frank Deming, Jim Clary, Manager Walter Jones, Coach Jack Rudolph. SECOND ROW: Alan Golden, Marty LeFiles, Darrell Branam, Chip Bounds, Ronnie Pitcock, Glenn Williams. THIRD ROW: Bob Christian, Alex Skoropat, John Batts, Jack Hart, Jimmy LeFiles. CENTER: Outfielder Cecil Dubberly settles under a high fly ball. RIGHT: Clary Twin calmly warms up prior to a game. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP: Wildcat pitcher Genn Williams unleashes a fast ball. OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM: Valdosta baserunner Ronnie Pitcock makes a hard slide into third base. OPPOSITE PAGE, FAR RIGHT: Slugger Ronnie Pitcock awaits the pitch.



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Baseball Gives Fans Chance to Join Play



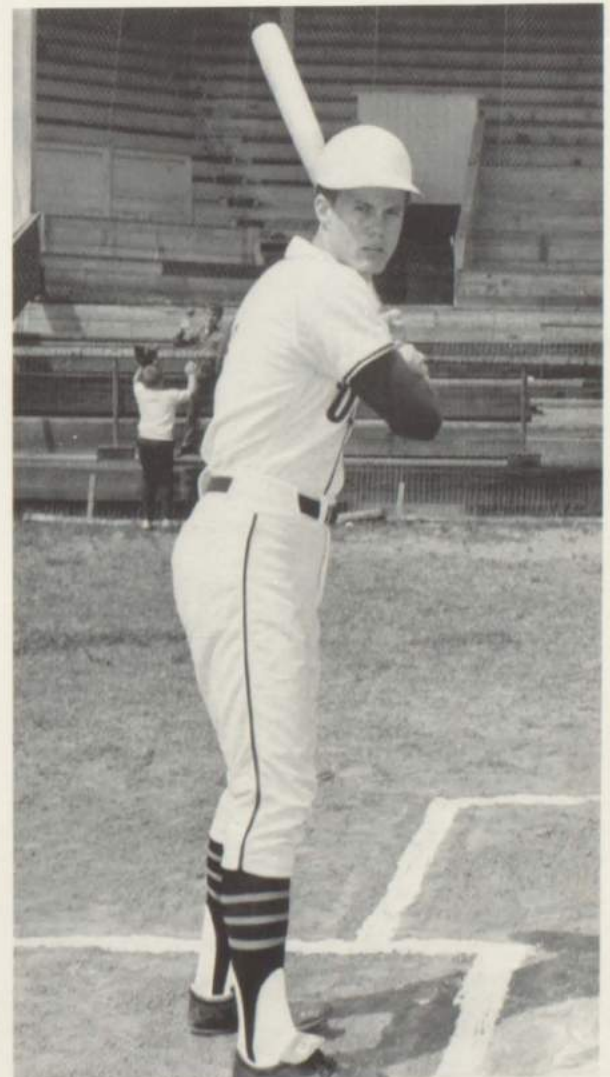
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Slamming, sliding and screaming were demonstrated by players and fans alike on many afternoons during April and May at Pendleton Park.

Beginning the season with a victory over Lowndes High, the Wildcat baseball nine compiled enough diamond wins to place second in sub-region behind Wayne county. Darrell Branam, Jerry Dennis and Joe Clary led the offensive attack of the team by producing batting averages of .512, .485, .425 respectively. Ronnie Pitcock slugged five homeruns to help pace the Cats.

Tiger Williams' pitching skills provided a stalwart defense. Tiger won five games, lost two and struck out sixty-eight batters.

Coaches for this year's squad were Jack Rudolph, Joe Wilson, and Jack Hart.



Golfers Compete Against Their Own Scores

Golf is a game in which an individual competes against his own record first and then against his opponent's. One member's high score can offset the low scores of the other members and cause defeat.

Realizing this, the Valdosta High School golfers—senior Dutton Miller, juniors Don Gerlock, John Walker, Bruce Perlman, and sophomores Mike Fambrough and Rick Martin—worked hard to sharpen their own games and cut points off their scores.

Mike Fambrough shot a 68 to lead the 'Cats to their season low of 293 against Coffee County and Moultrie. In a match against Tifton, a season high of 323 brought the 'Cats' only loss.

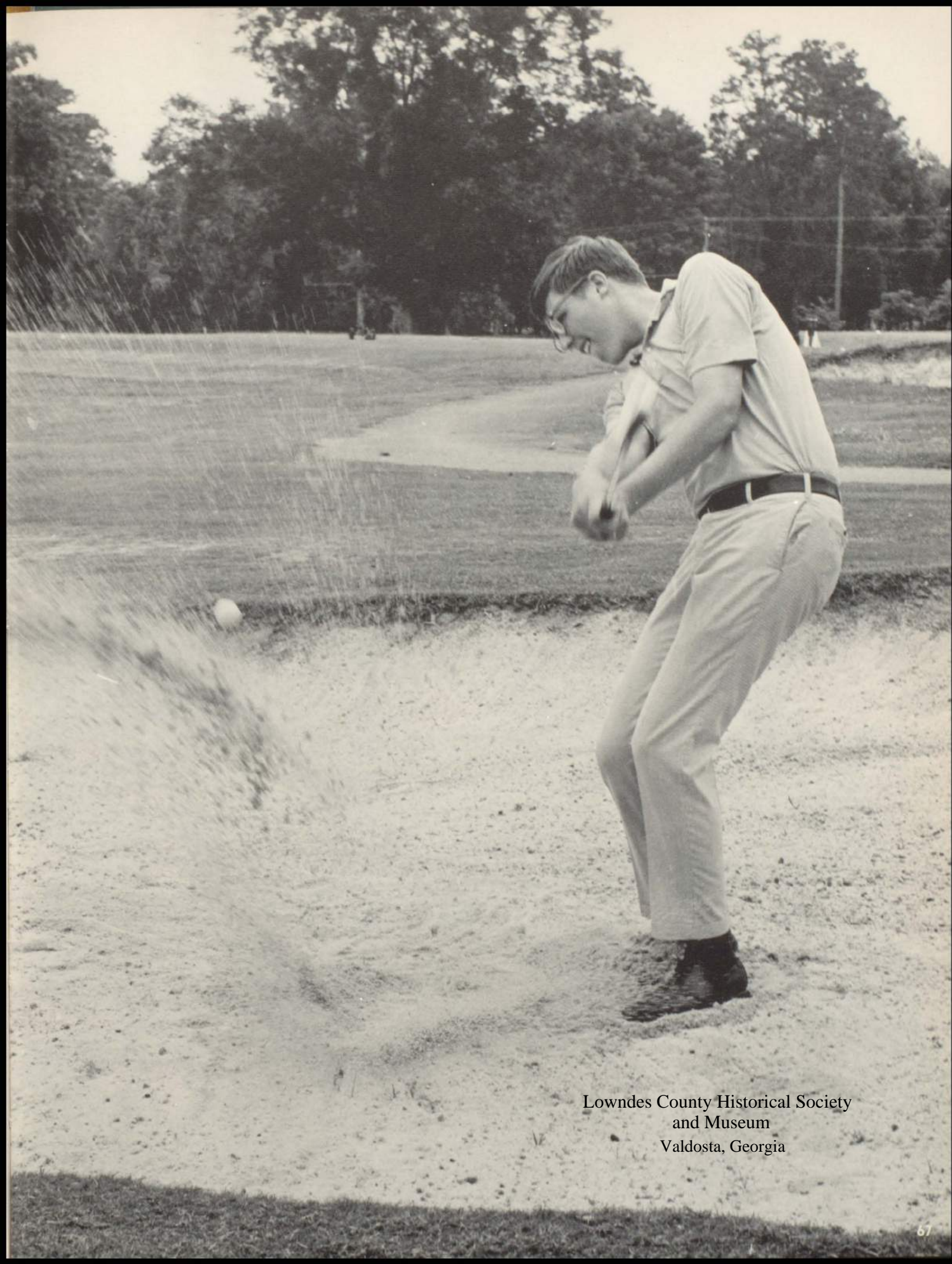
Under the guidance of Coach Julian LeFiles, these winners posted a 10-1 record and placed second in region competition.



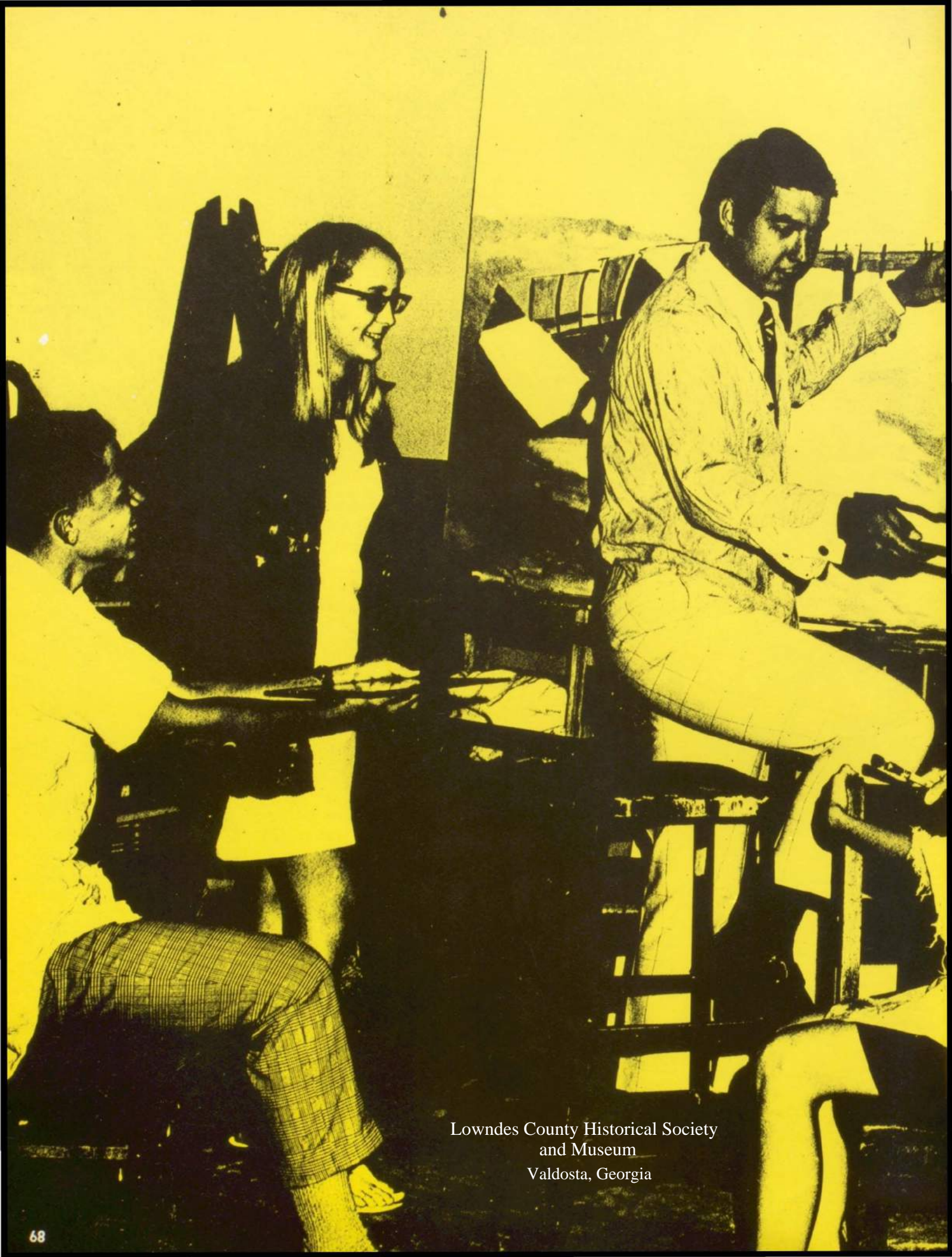
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TOP, RIGHT: Standing, Coach Julian LeFiles, Don Gerlock, Bruce Perlman, Mike Fambrough, Ricky Martin, Dutton Miller. BOTTOM, RIGHT: Mike Fambrough begins a long drive. BOTTOM, LEFT: John Walker and Mike Fambrough leave the clubhouse on the way to the first tee. OPPOSITE PAGE: John Walker smashes the ball out of the trap onto the green.



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Band, Chorus Add Vibrancy to Curriculum



Frank Butenschon

Mrs. Nelson Hitchcock

Two music courses, band and chorus, served as equalizers for the more prosaic areas of study at Valdosta High School. These courses added vibrancy to the curriculum.

Just as brilliant as Mr. Frank Butenschon's red hair, the Marchin' Cats vitality and rhythm carried them to the Atlanta Peach Bowl, as well as to the Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

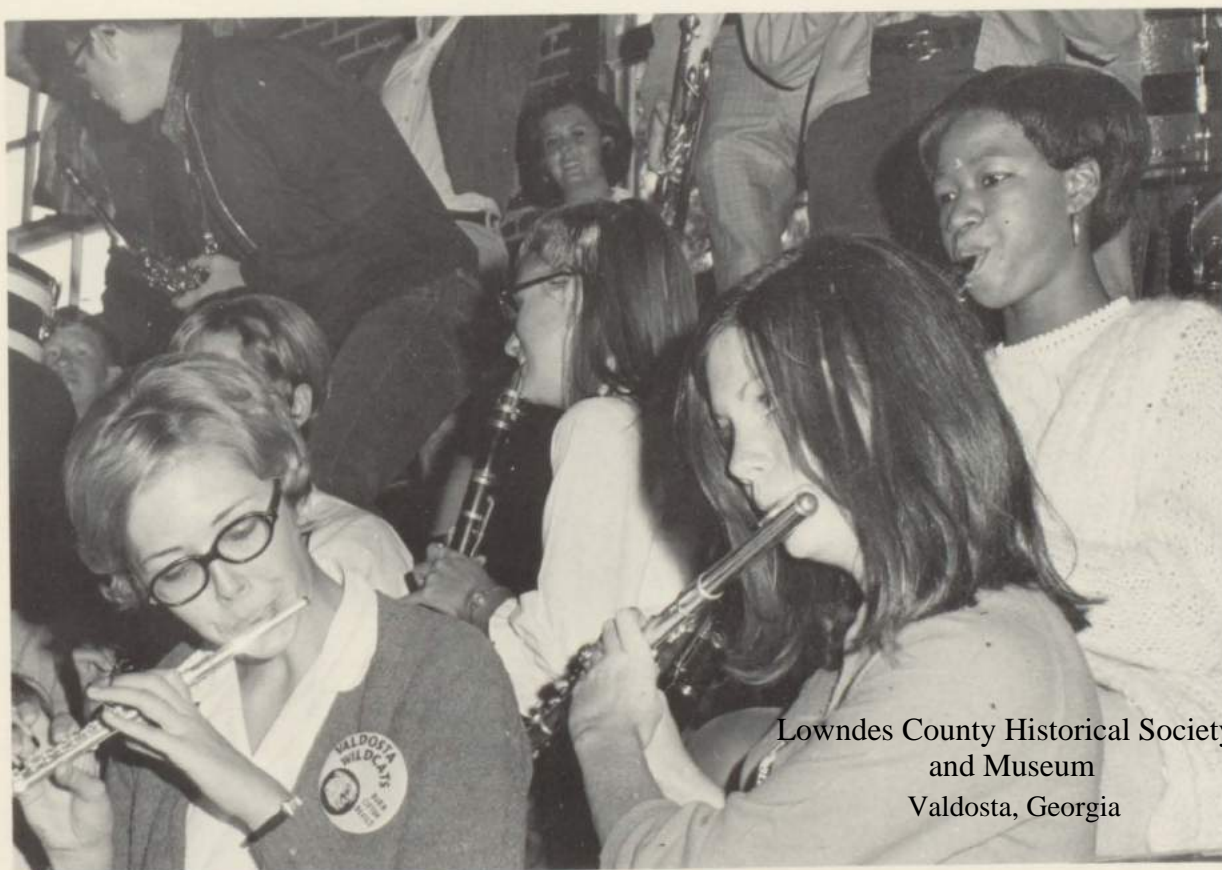
Also, during their regularly scheduled programs at football games and pep rallies, the band tinted the activities with enthusiasm. At these gatherings, "Mr. Touchdown VHS" sparked the chants of cheerleaders and fans.

Another bar in the school's scale of musical activities was formed by the chorus under the direction of Mrs. Nelson Hitchcock. Not only were many girls interested in this new course, but also a large number of boys participated every morning during home room period, and the mixed chorus blended voices at night rehearsals.

At various assembly programs both groups displayed the results of this steady rehearsing in a colorful presentation of different music styles, including concert music, jazz, and rock n' roll.



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TOP LEFT: Jerrie Barker, sophomore, peers through the trombones of Hamp Bell and Tom Davis, juniors. LEFT: Mrs. Hitchcock directs Diane Eynam, senior, Ann Marrow, sophomore, Phyllis Traynham, junior, Lois Primrose, junior, and Debra

Beaty, senior, in vocalizing exercises. TOP RIGHT: Mr. Frank Butenschon leads the VHS band in the first chapel program. BOTTOM RIGHT: Band members Kynnette Bethea, Sharon Tidwell, Mary Riggles, and Emily Marshall tune up for the Homecoming pep rally.

Art, Speech Classes Cast Varied Glows



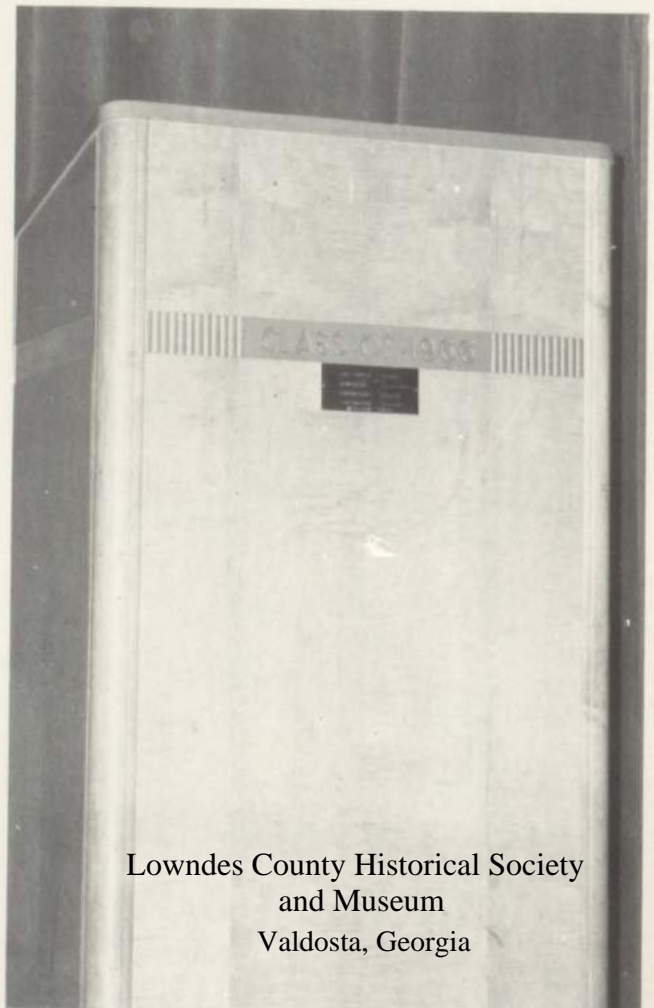
Sentimentality, gloomy despair, effervescence, and vitality are just a few of the moods the art and drama classes captured in their creativity.

Drama classes were able to do this through discussion groups, sociodramas, and original play productions. And, the art classes captured these feelings through such media as sculpture, painting, and tissue abstracts.

Mrs. Nelson Hitchcock, who replaced Mr. James Copeland after the first semester, stimulated the speech classes to various moods. Impromptu speeches, prepared speeches, vocabulary studies, skits, pantomimes, and breath control exercises comprised the speech curriculum.

While the speech classes sought to express themselves orally and physically, art classes tried other mediums of communication.

Through clay sculpture, acrylic and oil painting, tissue expressionism, and sketching, the art classes captured such subject matter as the human body, architectural studies, still lifes, self-portraits, and landscapes.



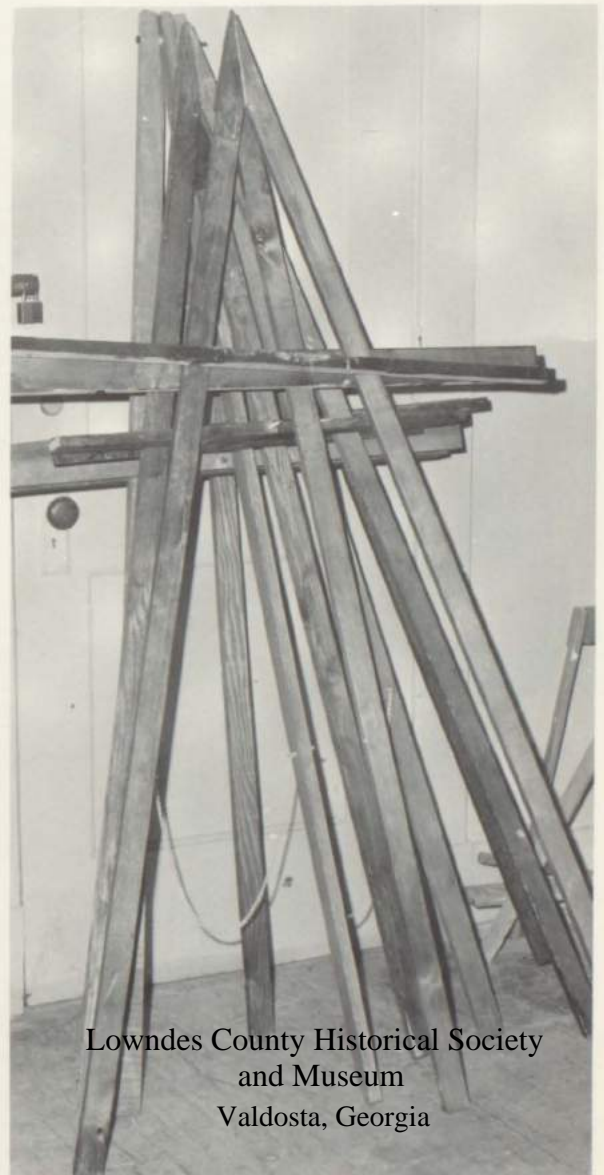
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James Copeland

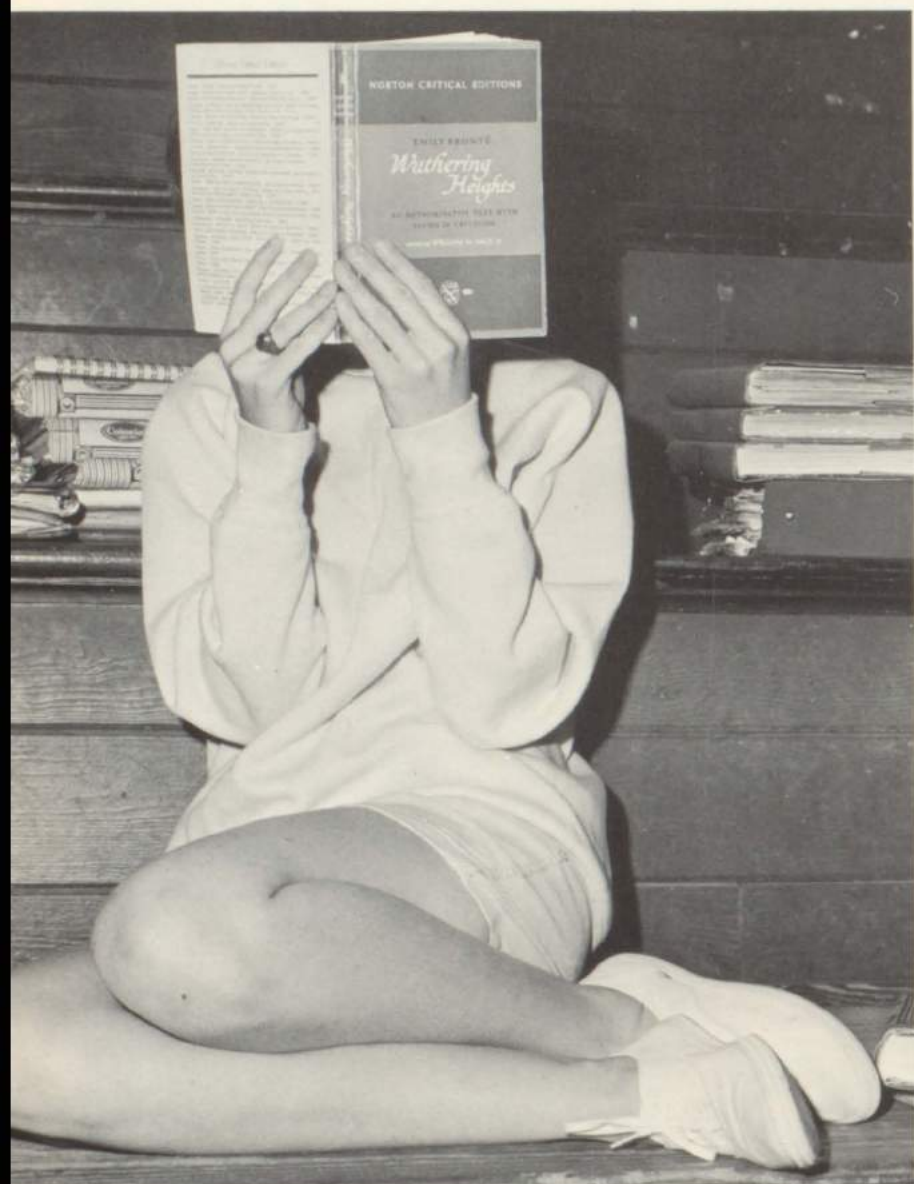


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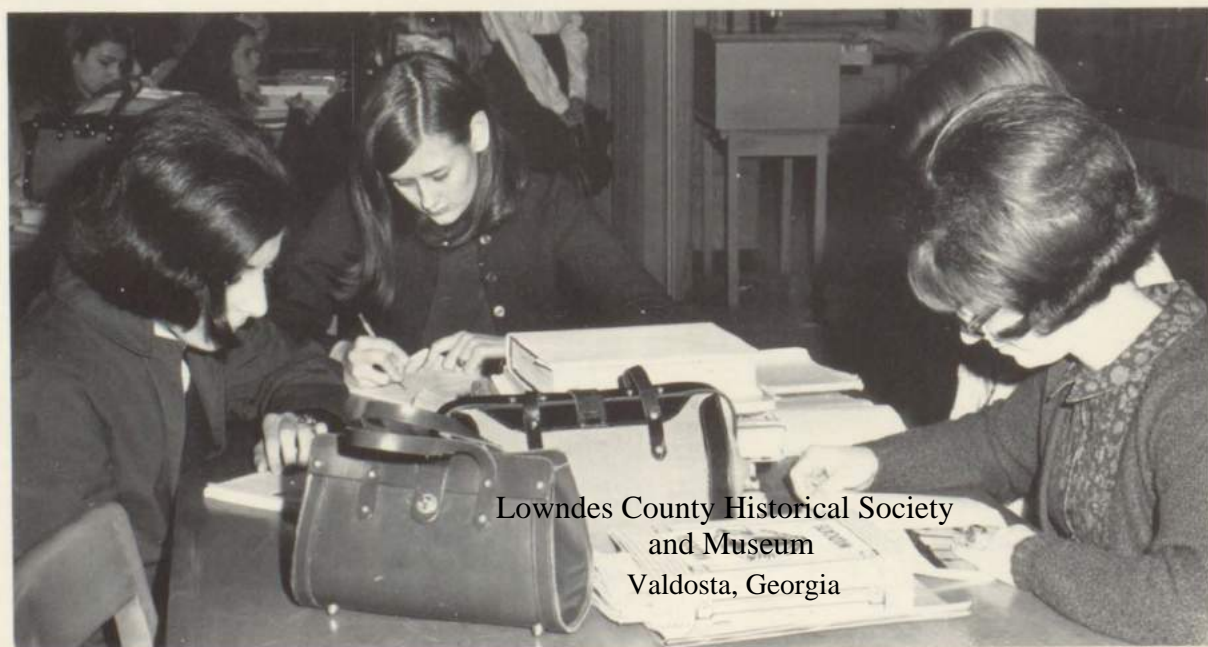


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TOP LEFT: Senior Robbi Blanton, junior Cheryl Cauthan, seniors Jill Townsend, Liz Jackson, and Rodney Perlman practice the techniques of holding a discussion. TOP CENTER: She may not be Miss Michelangelo, but Barbara Norton, sophomore, gives complete attention to her first effort at clay sculpture. BOTTOM CENTER: After finishing her easel, Barbara Brasher stretches the canvas for a picture.



Mrs. Richard Atwell *
Mrs. Oliver Googe
Mrs. Woodrow Leonard
Mrs. Jerry Ramsey
Mrs. Harry Wolinski



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Literature Study Interprets Life



Literature is life, and life is color. Every Valdosta High School English student, therefore, soon realizes that the study of English language is absorbed in color. Dark colors—mainly the blacks, browns, and grays—relate to the more tragic works such as *Julius Caesar*, *Silas Marner*, *Hamlet*, *Macbeth*, and *King Lear*.

Lighter colors, particularly yellow, help to convey a sense of gaiety. This year at Valdosta High School most students were required to read *Arms and the Man*, by George B. Shaw.

Reds and oranges express an awareness of life. Poems of Robert Frost, Omar Khayyam, or the philosophy of the Cavalier poets established this feeling. On the opposite side of the balance, blue symbolizes the serious and the sad elements in *The King and I*, *Ethan Frome*, and *Othello*.

To help make literature come to life, students and teachers alike studied other areas in English: some traditional grammar, much composition, and research procedures. Near the end of the year teachers became absorbed in the search for new textbooks to bring the English curriculum up to date in regard to such matters as phonemes, morphemes, and transformational grammar.



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TOP LEFT: There's no rest for the weary, not even in physical education where senior Karen Herrington goes through another chapter of *Wuthering Heights*. BOTTOM LEFT: When research paper time rolls around, it's library in the morning and library in the evening for seniors Angie Kalil, Jana Davis, and Eva Culpepper. ABOVE:

David Lassetter, sophomore, finds that the card catalogue in the library is one of an English student's best resources. TOP: Mrs. Jerry Ramsey explains a brain teaser to sophomores Teresa Dorriety, Annette Burch and Starr Perryman.

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TOP LEFT: Sophomores Lucy Neal and Sharon Harvey catch up on verb forms. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. A. C. Wisenbaker, their Latin teacher, stands by to give assistance. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mrs. Clyde Connell gets the French tapes ready so that her students can use the language lab.



Mrs. Clyde Connell
J. H. Surran

Mrs. Kenneth Edwards
Mrs. A. C. Wisenbaker

Foreign Languages Inspire Travel



Each nation has individual customs, religion, and language. These differences are denoted by colors—the colors of national flags and those of languages. At Valdosta High School the curriculum offers students opportunities to become familiar with the distinctive coloration depicting customs and mores of two modern countries—France and Spain—and to travel backward in time by studying Latin.

After Spanish students traveled to Jacksonville, Florida, to see a stage production of *Man of La Mancha*, they realized just how vibrant this language is.

In the spring a group of Latin II enthusiasts, accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. A. C. Wisenbaker, attended a conference at Rock Eagle. There they really appreciated the colorful aspects of Latin when they donned purple bordered togas for a banquet.

This year French I and II and Spanish I and II courses concentrated on the use of vocabulary, the building of sentences, and the practicing of day-to-day conversation.

Latin classes translated stories telling of Roman heroes such as Jason, Hercules, Ulysses, and Julius Caesar.

Increased interest in Spanish necessitated the hiring of Mrs. Kenneth Edwards as a parttime teacher to handle the overflow class.



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Science Classes Explore World of Color

All matter is in constant motion which frequently generates color. In the biology, physics and chemistry classes, students at Valdosta High School learned to relate color and motion. During experiments, biology classes discovered the close union between elements. For example, they found that plants obtained color from chlorophyll, xanthophyll, and carotene.

Many physic students realized for the first time that light can be broken into three basic components: red light, green light, and blue light. After further study, they noted, by use of the color wheel, the inter-dependence of motion and color.

Color also played an important role in the chemistry classes. By the end of the first semester, most students could identify many chemicals by their varied hues. Later in the year these students learned to identify chemicals by passing gasses through an incandescent light source.



W. E. Davis
Mrs. Grady Massey

Julian LeFiles
Felix Wiggins



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OPPOSITE PAGE: Sophomore Yvonne Dennis listens carefully while Mrs. Massey explains the structure of the human ear. UPPER LEFT: Wes Davis, senior, gets set up for another chemistry experiment. BOTTOM LEFT: Joy Paine, sophomore, treats Mrs. Massey's coleuses for parasites. ABOVE: Every morning Mrs. Massey gives careful attention to the plants she uses for classroom experiments and for room decorations.



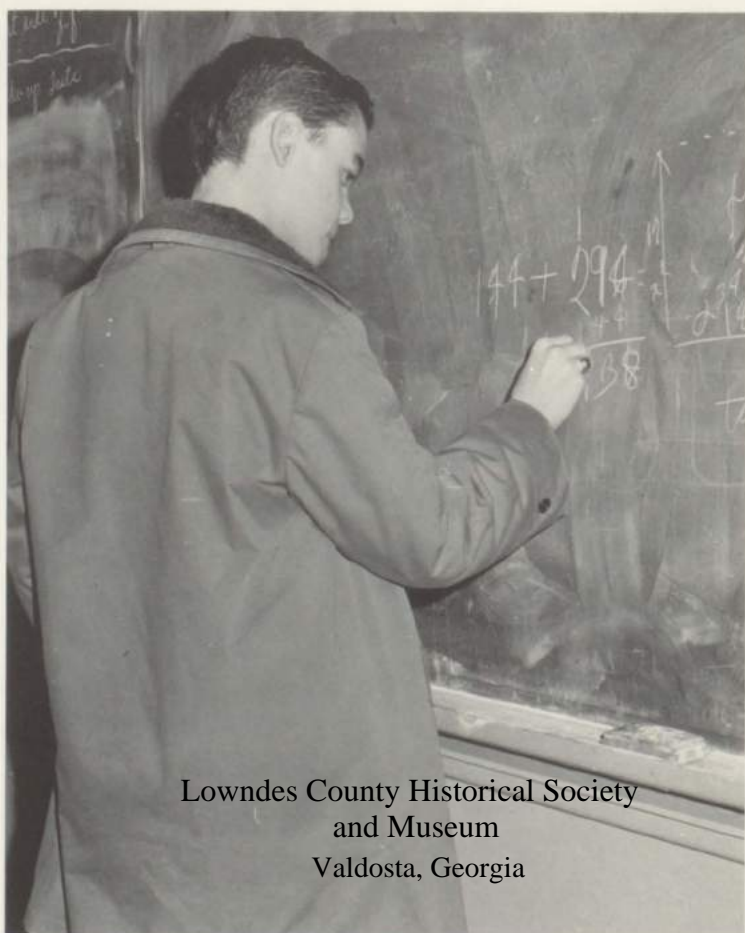
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Mike Fletcher
Jack Hart
Mrs. Frankie Johnson
Mrs. J. P. Pilcher
Miss Ann Powell
Mike Rogers
Jack Rudolph



UPPER MIDDLE: Sophomores Ann Hiers and Robert Johnson work math problems while Mr. Jack Hart looks on. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Scott Bretzke, junior, calculates Algebraic formula. ABOVE, FAR RIGHT: Mrs. Jerry Pilcher explains the distance of two lines on a graph to sophomores Marsha Noble and Patty Parrish. BOTTOM, FAR RIGHT: Senior Calvin Rouse and junior Scott Bretzke listen to Mr. Mike Rogers explain the use of polar graph.



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Students Conquer Unruly Course



Math evokes many different facial expressions at Valdosta High School. Smiles beam across faces as difficult Math V problems are solved. Quizzical looks streak through the expressions of students as they attempt to understand theorems in geometry. Frowns and teary eyes capture moods as students realize that their dreams of becoming nuclear physicists have vanished along with their hopes of taking Algebra III-Trig—because they are unable to pass an elementary algebra course.

But most sophomores and juniors did pass this unruly course, with the help of Mrs. Jerry Pilcher and Miss Ann Powell, who also teaches Algebra III-Trig.

Mr. Mike Fletcher and Mr. Jack Hart tried to calm the quizzical looks acquired in geometry classes, while Mr. Mike Rogers, head of the math department, developed the minds of the potential nuclear physicists through study in Algebra III-Trig and Math V.

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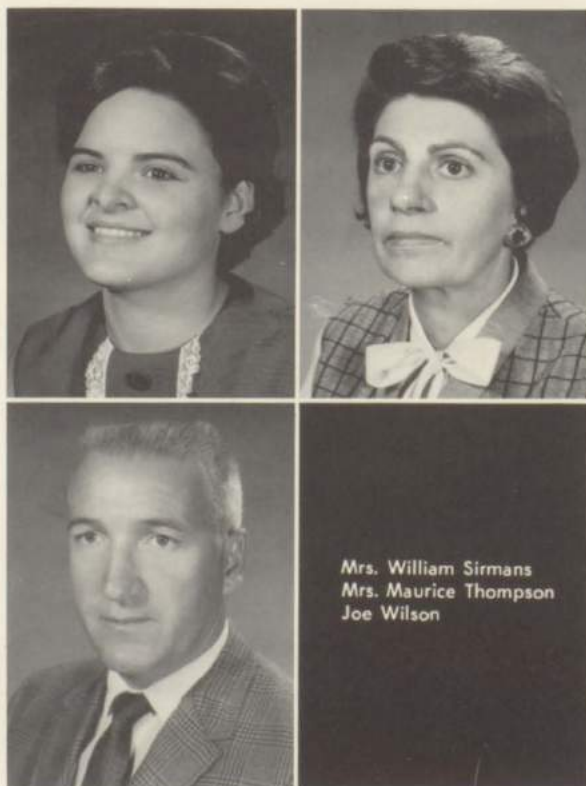
Driver's Education, Home Economics



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Caveat emptor means let the buyer beware! Today every individual must be capable of making practical decisions. At Valdosta High School the driver's education and homemaking courses enable each student to make the right decisions regarding relationships to the commercial world. Mrs. Maurice Thompson and Mrs. William Sirmans teach their students to make right decisions with respect to color. At the end of the last semester, students are able to choose colors that are right for them. They learned that color is not only important in dress, but also in planning menus.

Mr. Joe Wilson also helps to produce individuals capable of making decisions. In his driver's education classes, students being to associate color with decisions. Red, green, and yellow are the important traffic colors. Each student must learn to decide for himself when it is safe to stop, to turn, or to go.



Mrs. William Sirmans
Mrs. Maurice Thompson
Joe Wilson

Guide Individuals



OPPOSITE PAGE: Sophomores Vallye Blanton and Judy Bernard learn the parts of a motor from Mr. Joe Wilson. TOP LEFT: Sophomores Jill Babcock and Dee Dee Durden mix up a batch of biscuits while Mrs. William Sirmans looks on. BOTTOM LEFT: Mrs. Sirmans shows sophomore Nita Brantley the correct way to pin a hem. ABOVE: Patty Parrish sophomore gives a nod of approval at the way her dress looks.

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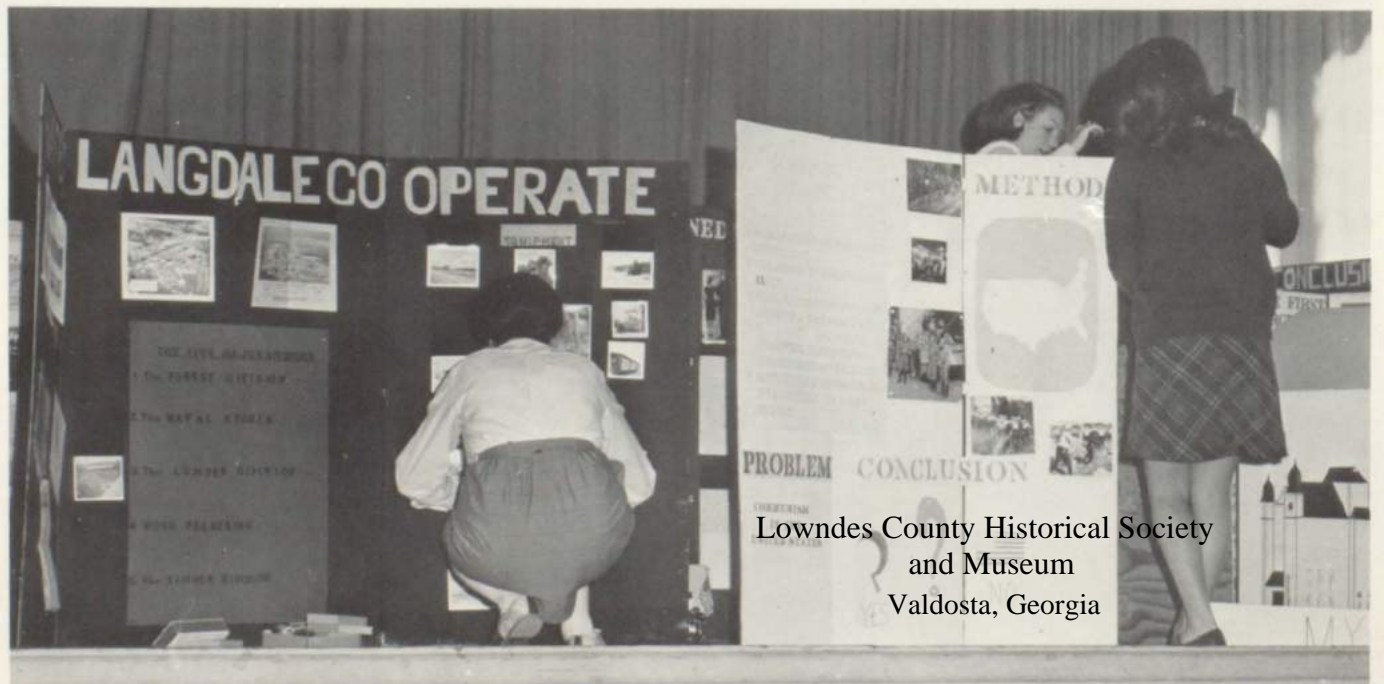
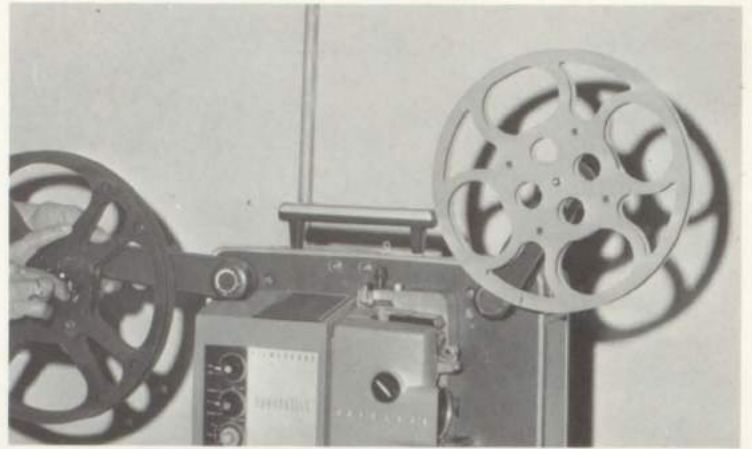
Students Follow History's Color Charts

History is filled with colorful events, people, places, and dates. Each of these is represented by a particular color. In Europe there are two classes of people and colors. Purple is representative of the upper or aristocratic classes; and the envy of the common people may perhaps be depicted by green. Wars involve not only people, but also places. Wars create events and dates. Therefore, because of all the destruction of life and property, red is symbolic of wars.

To acquaint students with this historic color chart, Valdosta High School offered three history courses: United States history, world history, and government. These courses enabled students to identify with past events, people, places, and dates. This year United States history students learned about the Spanish-American war, the United States' election system, and its involvement in other countries.

Government and world history courses at VHS followed the example of the United States history classes by associating events with people, places, and dates. Government students learned to realize the importance of past events such as the American Revolution, the Communist Revolution, and the World Wars.

While government students were busily studying revolutions and wars, world history students were also becoming acquainted with Egyptian pharaohs, Roman and Grecian heroes, and the French and English social reforms.



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Charles Greene
Miss Maureen Powell

Mrs. Bill Kutz
Miss Jan Shelton

Mrs. Herchel Hamill
Mrs. W. E. Wisenbaker



OPPOSITE PAGE, MIDDLE: Mrs. Bill Holt looks over her outline of the material she plans to cover in class. OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM: Juniors Cathy Veatch and Vicki Pearlman inspect the projects, while senior Gail Stokes finishes her project. TOP: Miss Jan Shelton calls on sophomore Adolph Gatewood to answer a question. Sophomores Steve Baker, Pam Sheppard, Mitchell Becton and junior Jerry Baker thumb through their newspapers for the answer.

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Norman Greene
Mrs. Jack Myers
Mrs. Ralph Spurlock

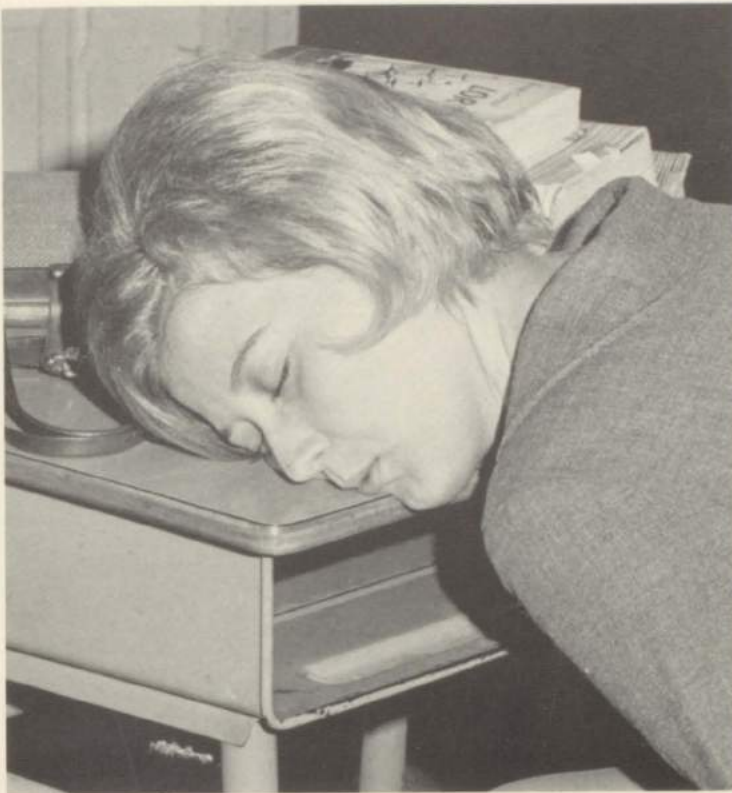
James P. Horn
Mrs. Tommy Roberts
Mrs. Val Walden



TOP RIGHT: Junior Diane Malerich goes to Mr. J. P. Horn to get help in finishing a job. BOTTOM RIGHT: Senior Connie Pate makes name tags for the DE Banquet. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP: Senior Debi Senzig takes a short nap in bookkeeping. OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM: After senior Debi Senzig is refreshed by her nap, she watches Mrs. Walden use the bookkeeping machine.

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Commercial Courses Emphasize Harmony



Monochromatic, dichromatic, and polychromatic colors—when connected in an orderly series—produce harmony. Students taking commercial courses at Valdosta High School this year strived to create harmony in the business world. In the new parlance, they learned the significance of TCB, taking care of business.

DE and DCT students matched colors for harmony through practical applications. They found that if business operations ran smoothly, the profit margins remained in the black. However, when business lagged behind, the company's profit margins could easily soar into the red areas. Therefore, they realized the importance of their jobs in retail sales and services and in industry.

VHS classes in typing and shorthand achieved a different but equally important type of harmony when they learned the importance of unity of reactions. For example, before the end of the year they realized that typing and shorthand required swift, fluid motions of the hands, combined with the ability to associate symbols with words or fingers with keys.



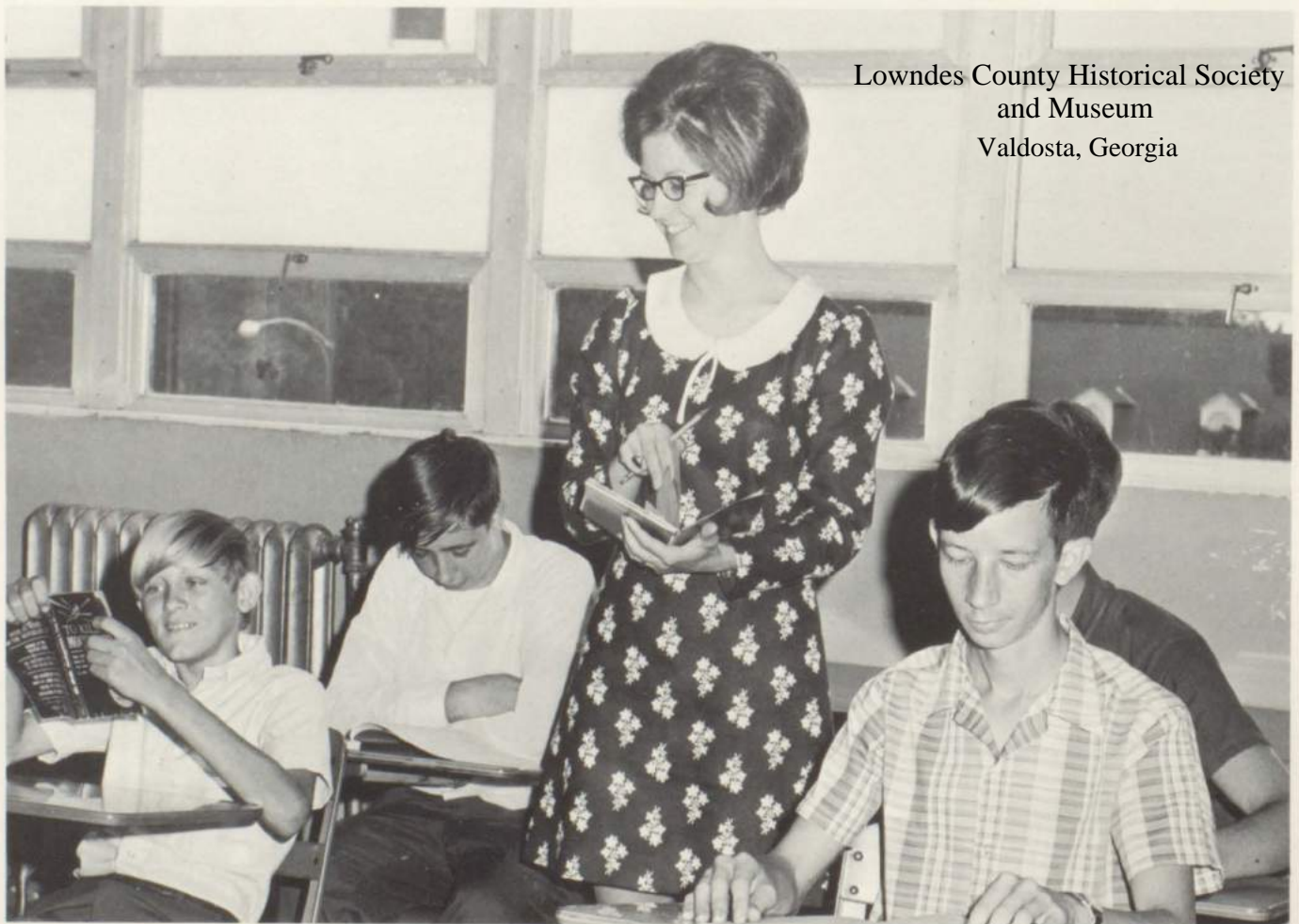
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Guiding Lights Untangle Confusion in

Day is contrasted with night. Darkness is opposed to brightness. Everyone has days of brightness and darkness. To keep this balance and avoid confusion from setting in at Valdosta High School, Miss Marguerite Ford serves as guidance counselor.

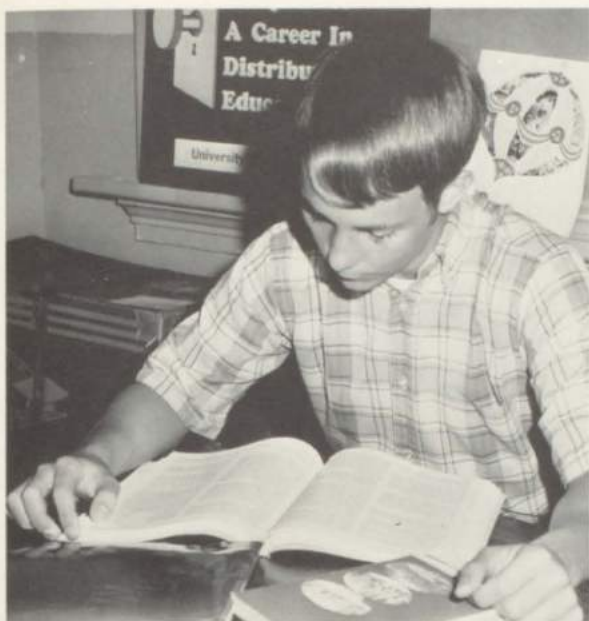
Miss Ford is indeed the guiding light of VHS. Besides counseling students, she helps them get oriented, she conducts an individual inventory, she gives out educational and occupational information, and she supports student activities.

Mrs. William Frazier directed the special education program at VHS this year. This program, geared to the abilities of boys and girls who might not achieve in routine classes, consolidated conventional courses with work. With the aid of the Vocational Rehabilitation Services, these students obtained a variety of jobs. They worked in the VHS lunchroom, at service stations, at automotive parts shops, and in grocery and drug stores.



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Two Areas



Mrs. William Frazier



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TOP, LEFT: Jimmy Norris restocks shelves with light bulbs. BOTTOM, LEFT: Charles Bernard, Daryl Eubanks, Billy Cuppet, and Mike Hathaway catch up on their reading assignments while Mrs. William Frazier checks their grades in her roll-book. TOP, CENTER: Frankie Norman, senior, looks at college catalogues in the material center in order to decide on the school he wants to attend. BOTTOM, CENTER: Miss Ford explains the Kruder Reference Record to senior Lecretia Lancaster. ABOVE: Miss Ford files test copies in her cubby hole room.



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Mrs. Paul Sumner



Wright Bazemore



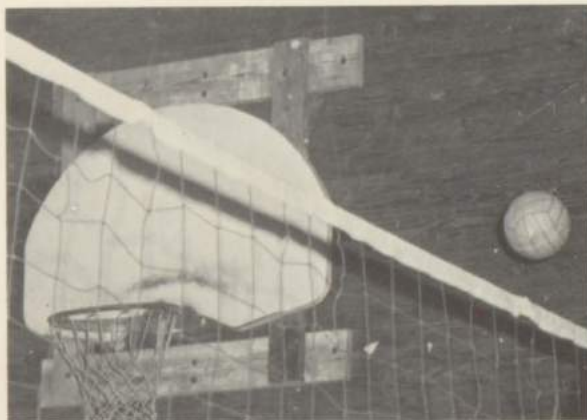
Playtime Brings Forth Colorful Garb



Blue gym suits, faded sweatshirts, white tennis shoes, and baggy sweatpants. These are the colorful outfits worn by the Valdosta High School physical education classes.

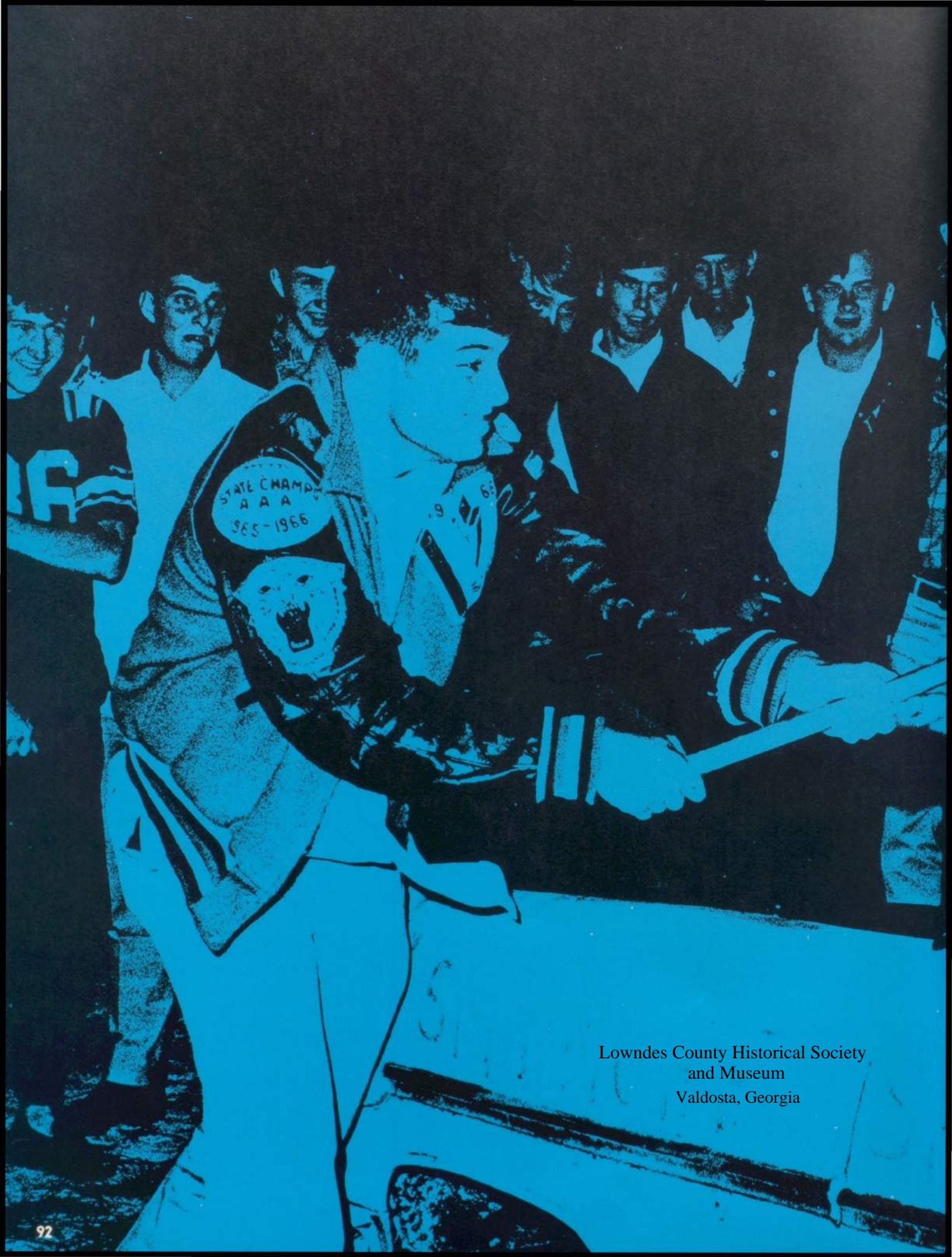
Under the direction of Mrs. Paul Sumner, VHS girls enjoyed volleyball, softball, basketball, and soccer. While participating in these sports, girls found themselves surrounded by the greenness of the grass, the blueness of the sky, or the grayness of the tennis courts.

Mr. Wright Bazemore led the boys in football, basketball, grass drills, crab soccer, softball and tennis. During the second semester the boys competed in an especially colorful activity—grass planting. Mr. Charles Greene, Mr. Joe Wilson, Mr. Jack Rudolph, and Mr. Julian LeFiles assisted Mr. Bazemore.

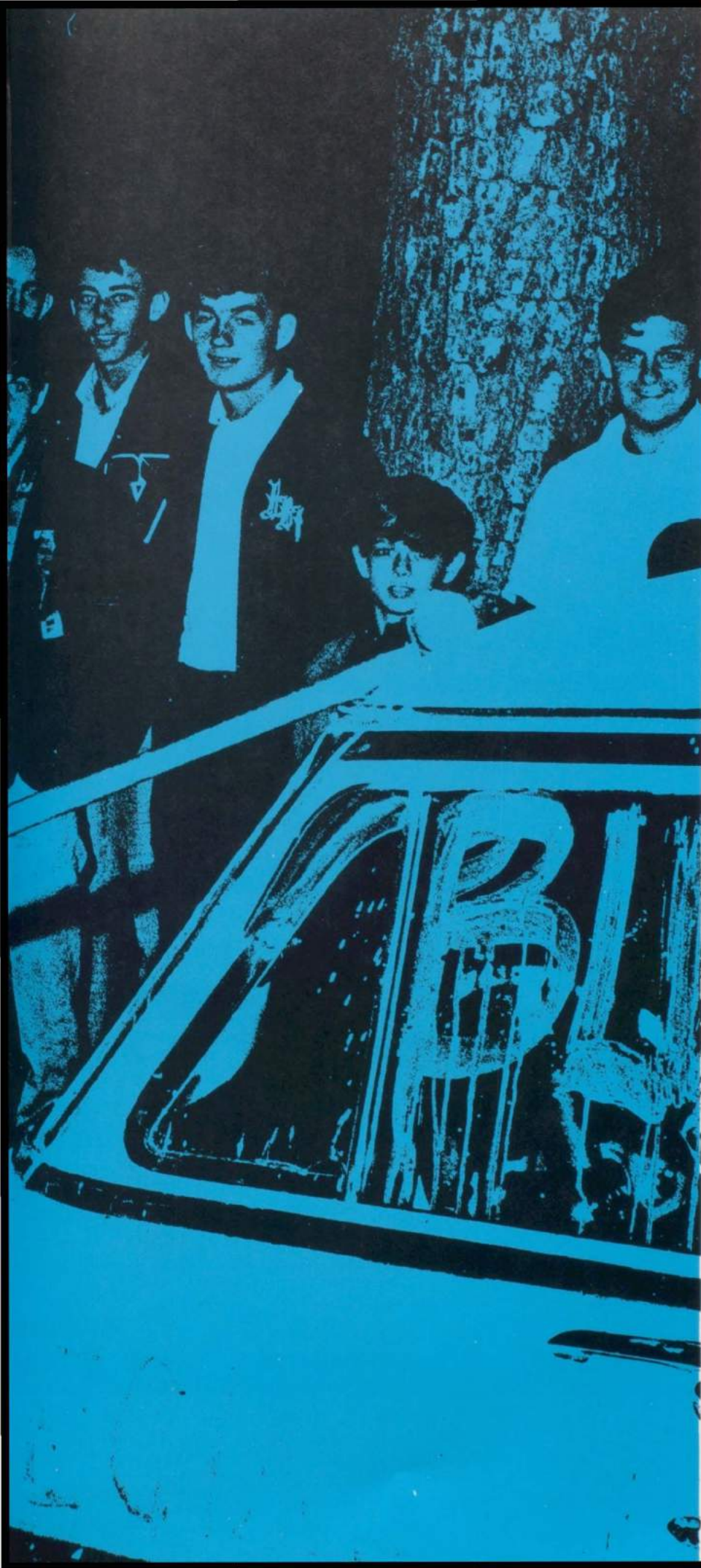


OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP LEFT: Senior goalie Comalea Rich with her teammates, juniors Barbara Singletary, Aretha Richardson and senior Karen Harrington, try to keep seniors Brenda McLain, Ginger Volosen and junior Carolyn Arnold from scoring. OPPOSITE PAGE, BOTTOM, LEFT: Juniors Henry Davis, Don Golden, and Harry Skoropat and sophomore Darryll Brannan work out in P.E. with a \$2400 addition to the P.E. department.

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Harmony —

the blue of Valdosta High School

... dignity and honor adorning their characters and records ... projects that reach out to commitment ... competing for higher goals ...

organizations provide the blueprint through which students can expand their creativity and services

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TOP LEFT: Student Council members Angela Wetherington, Annie Paine, Nita Brantley and Martha Alice Giddens stretch to decorate the ten foot Christmas tree. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. W. E. Wisenbaker, Student Council advisor, scans the script before Christmas chapel. BOTTOM LEFT: Lucy Neal, Judy Hunt and Kathryn Smotherman prepare carnations for faculty members who have had birthdays during the month.

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Council Serves as Students Voice



Every morning at 8:45 a distinctive voice could be heard throughout the halls of Valdosta High School. This was the voice of Donald Davis, president of the Student Council, a group which served as spokesman for the student body.

Council members voiced their interest in several new projects which benefited the school as well as the student community. When they sent out an appeal for Operation Strobe, a drive to collect toys and clothing for Vietnamese children, students listened and responded. Boxes heaped with these items answered the plea of Ronald Strobe, former VHS student now serving in Vietnam.

To develop interest in national affairs, the council solicited the votes of students in a mock election in which George Wallace was elected president.

Early in December, Donald announced "Students remember it's time to start bringing can goods for the Christmas food drive." And sophomores, juniors, and seniors heeded this call for help to make the drive a success.



TOP LEFT: Student Council members Sally McCoy, Julie Scott, Robbie Blanton, Angela Wetherington, Bo Woodward box articles for Operation Strobe. BOTTOM LEFT: Before Christmas chapel, Jan Howell and David Hobbs practice lines, while Beth Howell and Wayne Simpson look on. RIGHT: Donald Davis, Student Council president, makes morning announcements.

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Betas Try Harder for Elusive A's

Like a certain car rental service, the Beta Club used as its motto "We try harder." Betas worked hard to maintain A averages.

To bolster their membership, they held a party to which they invited all eligible students. Guests at this affair were told that the advantages of being Betas were student and faculty acknowledgment of achievement and college recognition.

Animal Farm served as the theme for the Beta Club chapel program. Club members represented different characters in the book. In the program, the Beta Club's membership problem was revealed to the student body. Mary Riggle, club president, urged students to put forth their best efforts so that they could qualify to join the club. She reminded them that each Beta must have an overall average of 90, with no grade lower than 85, and a high department grade.

After Mrs. Patsy Roberts moved to Texas in October, Beta members came under the guidance of Miss Jan Shelton, a former Beta at Valdosta High School.



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TOP RIGHT: Sitting, Mary Riggle, Ginny Bridges, Nan Miller, Ginny Price, Phyllis Traynham. STANDING, King Smith, Curt Bazemore, Vicki Smith, Marsha Smith, Anne Bernard, Lucretia Hamill, Susan Eye, Liz Sparger, Sandra Rowe, Miss Jan Shelton. ABOVE: Neither high achievement nor high I.Q. scores appease the appetite, so Betas bombard the

refreshment table at the club's Christmas party. Among the hungry guests are Susan Eye, Wes Davis, Ginny Bridges, Rod Holland, Ronnie Blanton, Ricky Keller, Lucretia Hamill, Kathy Adams, Mary Riggle, Richard Neese, David Malory, Ken Webb.

Future Teacher Receives Scholarship



Often the rewards of hard work for a school club are intangible—a sense of accomplishment, a smile of gratitude, or perhaps a pat on the back. However Key Club and DE members have always known that one of them would be rewarded for their efforts by receiving scholarships.

This year for the first time the Valdosta Education Association offered a \$300 scholarship to an active senior member of the Future Teachers of America. Jana Davis, the first recipient of the scholarship, will attend Valdosta State College. Leadership and the interest which she exhibited in FTA work helped Jana secure this award.

As an active member of the club, Jana served as president and led the group in many of its projects, including the sponsoring of Teacher Appreciation Week at Valdosta High School during American Education Week and helping Mrs. Liska Wetherington prepare help guides for special education teachers. Future Teachers also encouraged students to seek vocational guidance during National Vocational Week.



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TOP: BOTTOM TO TOP, Jana Davis, president; Starr Runyon; Mary Lou Rogers, social chairman; Dorothy Coleman; Carol Gillespie; Jan George, secretary treasurer; Barbara Murajda; Angie Kalil; Debbie Mathis; Sandra Rowe; Sherri Holman, first vice-president; Beverly Kreiger; Karen Brumbaugh, Kynnette Bethea, second vice-president; Lynn Phillips; Mrs. Herchel Hamill, advisor; Susan Eye; Judy Carter; Mona Richards; Diane Malerich. CENTER: FTA members Jana Davis, Diane Malerich, Lynn Phillips, Mary Lou Rogers, Sue Cuppet receive valuable experience by working in the office of Mrs. Liska Wetherington, special education coordinator. LEFT: During Honors Day chapel, VEA president, Mrs. Fred Strom, presents a \$300 scholarship to Jane Davis.



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ABOVE: Donald Davis, Jimmy LeFiles, Dut-
ton Miller, Ronnie Blanton, Wesley Blanch-
ard, Richard Moore, Gary Blanton, Richard
Coward, Brother Shenton, Judy Hunt, Frank
Deming, Harry Evans, Clem Brannen, Steve
Cunningham, Curt Bazemore, Glenn Hatcher,
Jerry Dennis, Marty LeFiles, Mike Wil-
liams, Bill Brandon, Chip Bounds, Alan
Golden, Jim Copeland, Randy Minor.
RIGHT: Judy Hunt, sweetheart; Richard
Coward, president; and Wesley Blanchard,
vice-president; King Smith, secretary; Stan
Coppage, treasurer. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP:
Saloon girls Peggy Myddleton, DeeDee
Durden, and Sharon Harvey inspire card
sharks Dee Smith, Harry Evans, and Wes-
ley Blanchard on the Key Club float.
OPPOSITE PAGE, CENTER: Key Clubbers
Clem Brannen, Alan Golden, Harry Evans,
and King Smith wash cars as Gary Blan-
ton publicizes. OPPOSITE PAGE, BOT-
TOM: Mr. Charles Green presents Richard
Coward a \$100 scholarship for outstanding
work in the Key Club.



Key Club Builds for Present, Future



In keeping with the Key Club International's motto, "We Build," the Valdosta High Key Club encouraged members to work to build a better school and community.

They began the year by constructing a sign welcoming students to "The Home of the Next State AAA Champs." Signs were made throughout the football season, urging the 'Cats on the championship.

During Homecoming, the club helped fire up the students by putting up signs and sponsoring an old car on which boys and girls could work out their pregame tensions. "Cats Sure Bet" was the theme of the Key Club float which received honorable mention.

Early in November, club members went from door to door selling peanut brittle. Money earned in this way, added to that earned by holding car washes, supported the club's various activities.

In an attempt to get students involved in the community, the Key Club invited Mayor James Beck to speak in assembly. And to show that they practiced what they preached, Key Clubbers participated in the city-wide Spring Clean-up sponsored by the Citizens and Southern National Bank.



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Homemakers Fulfill FHA Goals

To participate actively in projects for family, community and world improvement is the goal of the Future Homemakers of America. This year the Valdosta High School chapter attempted to attain these goals through various school and city projects.

During the spring the FHA worked as a group to beautify the front lawn of the campus by planting dogwood trees. These girls also made improvements in the home economic department by covering tables with floral patterns and by painting kitchen cabinets bright yellow.

These girls also earned various awards for community projects. Two of these were copping third place for the most creative display at the South Georgia Legion Fair and winning recognition for being an honor roll chapter.

FHA girls came under the guidance of a new sponsor this year. Mrs. William Sirmans joined Mrs. Grace Thompson in co-leadership of this organization.



TOP RIGHT: Sitting, Susan Scruggs, Martha Powell, Rita Moore, Alisa Snow, Marle Rogers, Phyllis Nichols, Kay Demming, Diane Smith, Harriett Stewart. Standing, Carol Rogers, Sally Fender, Starr Perryman, Rhudine Thomas, Marsha Smith, Mrs. Sirmans. ABOVE: Kneeling, Mrs. Thompson, Mary Beth Smith, Marsha Nobles, Debbie Daniels, Kathy Leischen, Sylvia Kessler, Kathy Jamison, Barbara Norton, Pat Sails, Patty Parrish. Sitting, Bonnie Carter, Gail Stokes, Nancy Daniels, Karene Hjort. Standing, Leslie Thoreson, Jenny Lloyd, Lila Mock, Jane Daugherty, Rhonda Sirmans, Charlene Calabrese, Beth Dickson, Jeannie Guest, Teresa Dorriety. RIGHT: Marsha Nobles and Jeannie Guest cavort on stage during Inter-club Council chapel program.



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Interact President Becomes State Governor



Club members expand their environments when they attend state conventions. There they exchange ideas with boys and girls from other schools and sometimes win special recognition.

One of the purposes of these conventions is to elect state officers for the following year. No matter how active a club has been at home, its members do not feel that the organization has fully arrived until it places some one in a position of state leadership.

Max Stephenson, president of the local club, was elected governor of the Georgia Interact Organization, and Don Gerlock was elected State Secretary-Treasurer.

During the year, these boys served as local officers and led the Interact Club in its various projects. To raise money, members chartered a bus in order to attend the State Championship football game in Atlanta in December. Interact members contributed the money made from this project to the "king ugly" contest. Proceeds from this endeavor helped pay expenses for the band trip to New Orleans.

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ABOVE: FIRST ROW, David Roddey, treasurer; Sarah Stickley, sweetheart; David Bullock. SECOND ROW: Autrey Phillips, Greg Johnston. Billy Carmichael, secretary; Jerry LaMontagne, David Yale, Bubba Smith, Buck Aultman, Craig Bretzske, Gary King. THIRD ROW: Bill Gillespie, Kim

Perlman, Mickey Lagioia, Don Gerlock, vice-president; Max Stephenson, president. TOP: During Interact chapel, Ben Mooney, holder of the black belt, displays the feats of his strength that may be accomplished through concentration.

Gamma Tri-Hi-Y Rated Top Club in District



All the world loves and admires a winner. Knowing this every club covets the honor of being rated first in its field.

Through hard work in service projects extending from school to community, Tri-Hi-Y members not only dreamed of honors, but actually captured the Best Club in the Southwest District Award. In addition to traditional projects such as the honesty and the clean speech campaigns, the club undertook new projects to aid the home, school, and community.

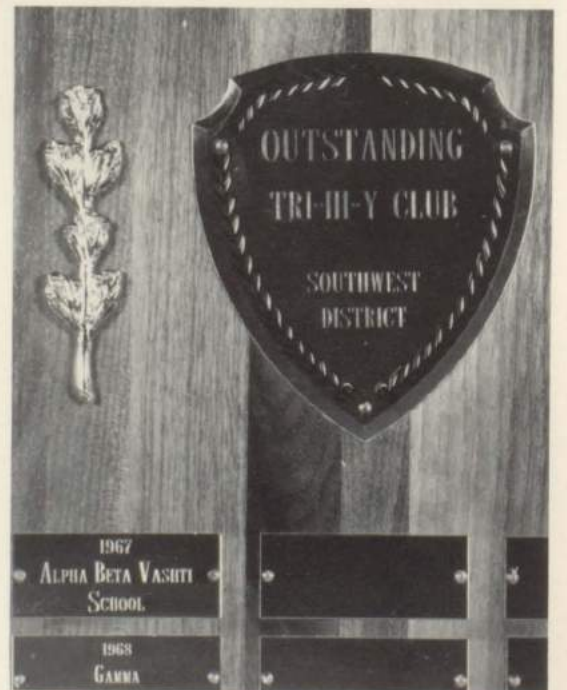
Some of these new undertakings included the Christmas visit to shut-ins, the kite-flying contest for underprivileged children, and the letters to the President campaign urging the exchange of war prisoners.

In addition club members attended the Rock Eagle Officer's Training Conference and the Youth Assembly in Atlanta.

Gamma Tri-Hi-Y also supported the local YMCA by entering ten girls in the Miss Valdosta Teenager Contest sponsored by the Y-Council. Of the ten girls sponsored, Kathryn Smotherman, junior, won first runner-up; Judy Wallace, Miss Congeniality; and Phyllis Traynham, top ten list.



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TOP: ROW ONE, Sherri Holman, treasurer; Ginny Price, vice-president; Gaile Stokes, school projects chairman; Erin Sherman, president; Jenny Johnston, community projects chairman; Karen Herrington, secretary; Tekla Crawford, chaplain. SECOND ROW: Lulu Sikes, Kathy Leischen, Judy Wallace, Phyllis Nichols, Debra Beaty, Patsy Stackhouse, Teresa Dorriety, Ginny Bridges, Sandra Rowe, Carolyn Arnold, Pam Sheppard. THIRD ROW: Ann Patten, Paula Masden, Becki Southwell, Lynn Gaskins, Cynthia Jones, Charlene Calabrese, Sylvia Kessler, Dianne Phillips, Brenda Daugharty, Dee Patten. ABOVE: Tri-Hi-Y members Jenny Johnson and Karen Herrington wipe windshields for United Fund. RIGHT: Sarah Stickley, director of the Miss Valdosta Teenager Pageant, pins a number on Phyllis Traynham, who was in the top ten. TOP, RIGHT: Rita Moore and Carolyn Arnold help children with their kites during the Tri-Hi-Y's kite flying contest and cookout for underprivileged children. CENTER, RIGHT: During the Faculty-Student Basketball game, Bonnie Carter, mascot for the teachers, offers encouragement to Coach Davis. FAR, CENTER RIGHT: Youth Assembly delegates Erin Sherman and Nita Tillman practice debating procedures for the YMCA Youth Assembly. BOTTOM, RIGHT: Trophy won for being the best Tri-Hi-Y club in the southwest district.

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Office Jobs Typified by Sounds

As Sally McCoy looks back over her past year as an office girl, it forms a spectrum of ringing telephones, an office filled with students, and resounding hallways. These were many of the sights and sounds that characterized her job.

Working under the direction of Miss Marguerite Ford, Mrs. L. P. Thomas and Mrs. Edwina Burgsteiner, the office girls performed many tasks for the office staff while representing the school to visitors and parents who visited.

Sally and her fellow workers answered the telephone with voices that projected sunny smiles, ran errands for teachers, or just delivered numerous messages. Whatever they did, the girls colored their duties with an aura of helpfulness.

Other duties performed by these girls included running the intercom for morning announcements, collecting absentee slips, and assisting with the routine paperwork.



TOP, LEFT: Sitting, Sally McCoy, Judy Welch, Judy Rogero, Mrs. Burgsteiner. Standing, Diane Malerich, Lucretia Lancaster, Jennie Beck, Peggy Myddleton. ABOVE: Jan Howell, Jane Davis, Lou Rogers, Lucy Neal, April Wetherington, Joy Parrish, Sissi McCrary, Mona Richards, Sarah Stickley, Mrs. Thomas, Nita Tillman, Emily Schroer. TOP RIGHT: Senior Sally McCoy



performs one of her daily duties as an office girl, calling absentees. ABOVE: Sitting, Debbie Stephenson, Barbara Murajda, Judy Carter, Iris Wiggins. Standing: Brenda Daugharty, Tekla Crawford, Cheryl Cauthan, Marsha Smith, Kathy Adams, Jeannie Hansen.

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Staff Gains Experience From Services



Life behind the circulation desk offers library assistants a variety of experiences. Among their duties are fixing bulletin boards to encourage student reading and taking surveys of student interests in the library. They also may find materials for various assignments.

Besides aiding the students in locating references for term papers and reports, the assistants straighten books and magazines, dust the furniture, and insure that the library has a pleasant environment inducive to study.

In the fall, each assistant is tested on her knowledge of library fundamentals and receives the necessary training to prepare her for this job.

While performing services for the school, the assistants, under the direction of Mrs. James Foster, gain a plus, useful library skills.



TOP LEFT: Shelf-reading, an important duty of the library assistants, is demonstrated by Debra Beaty, Sherri Holman, Emily Freeman, Ingrid Hall, Sandra Weldon, kneeling. ABOVE: Claudia York and Rita Collins, standing, file clippings as Phyllis Karlip, Sylvia Kessler and Susan Eye check the card catalogue against the book files. LEFT: Jackie Weldon, June Johnson, Linda Wagonhoffer, Emily Marshall and Vickie Dasher prepare the desk for the day's activities.



Above: Mrs. Forrest and Mrs. Hunt register surprise when they receive honorary membership certificates in the Vocational, Industrial Clubs of America. TOP, RIGHT: Mrs. Hunt studies menu guide before scheduling lunches. CENTER, RIGHT: After preparing lunch for 600 students, Mrs. Forrest takes a coffee break. BOTTOM, RIGHT: Sitting beside a dish of her prize camellias, Mrs. Hunt rings the register after a busy lunch period, while Mrs. Forrest looks on. TOP, FAR RIGHT: First ROW: Sherri Nijem, Sue Kalil, Pat Hall, Jan Howell, Mike Sansbury, Gregg Turner, Tony DeGange, Roger DeCeasar, Charles Samuels, Columbus Washington. MIDDLE ROW: Susan Lazarus, Petri Meindle, Ann George, Kelly Hiers, Charles Register, Dwight Bishop. THIRD ROW: Mr. Horn, Dea Gibson, Jan Phillips, Pat Copeland, Dianne Baskins, Andy Register, John Roberts, Joe Hall, Margaret Langdale, Robert Becton, Billy Yeomans. BOTTOM, FAR RIGHT: Jan Howell presents Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pilcher flowers and candy during the annual DCT Mr. and Mrs. Valentine contest. CENTER, FAR RIGHT: Judy Rogero and Jan Howell post DCT Valentine bulletin board.

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DCT Honors Mrs. Forrest and Mrs. Hunt



Often times people who do their job well go unrecognized and unrewarded. This year the Distributive Cooperative Training club chose to recognize two such people, Mrs. J. C. Hunt and Mrs. J. P. Forrest, who after serving as dieticians at Valdosta High School for 16 years, retired last August. Their duties ranged from planning the menus and buying supplies, to balancing the books and supervising the preparation of meals. Because of their service to the school and student body, the DCT has chosen to dedicate a page in the yearbook to Mrs. Forrest and Mrs. Hunt.

This year the DCT students also recognized two other members of the faculty in the annual Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Contest. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pilcher were chosen by the student body for this honor. They were recognized in chapel and received candy and flowers.

Aside from recognizing deserving faculty members, DCT students spent a majority of their time training for future jobs in industrial and service occupations such as mechanics, nursing, and cosmetology.



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Sandspur Staff Salutes

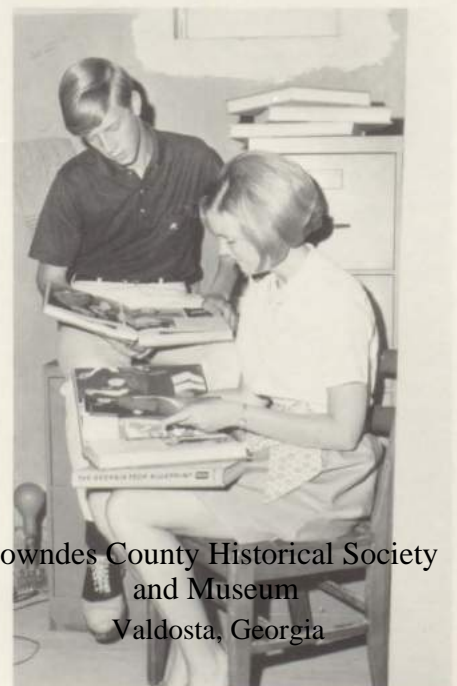
Because the SANDSPUR staff members chose color for the yearbook's theme, it was only fitting that they salute the most colorful group at Valdosta High School, the Marchin' Cats, who brought back from Mardi Gras the title of "Greatest Band in Dixie."

As the black and gold clad band members marched through the streets of New Orleans, they added their own touch to the colorama composed of vivid holiday costumes and confetti streamers.

This title won in New Orleans was a first for the Marchin' Cats. Similarly, the SANDSPUR had several firsts this year. For the first time the staff used art conversion instead of the four-color process. And for another first, the staff made a major decision—to go to a larger sized book.

Not a first, however, was the staff's effort to continue its editorial policy of covering completely all the activities—all the action—of the 1968-1969 school year. Erin Sherman, the editor, had this goal as her philosophy.

TOP LEFT: Sophomore editor Joy Parrish tries to type for Scooter Singletary, sports editor. ABOVE: Kay Black, junior editor, helps Esther Paine, business manager, check her books. TOP RIGHT: Mr. Larry Bookman is pulled between assistant editor Joann Beggs and editor Erin Sherman, both of whom want pictures taken. MIDDLE LEFT: Mrs. Harry Wolinski gathers material for a work session. BOTTOM LEFT: Nancy Daniels, faculty editor, and Mary Riggle, senior editor, look for supplies. FAR RIGHT: Ingrid Hall, senior editor, and Comalea Rich, faculty editor, check the dummy. BOTTOM RIGHT: Richard Cowart and Debbie Maddox, club editors, look for layout ideas.



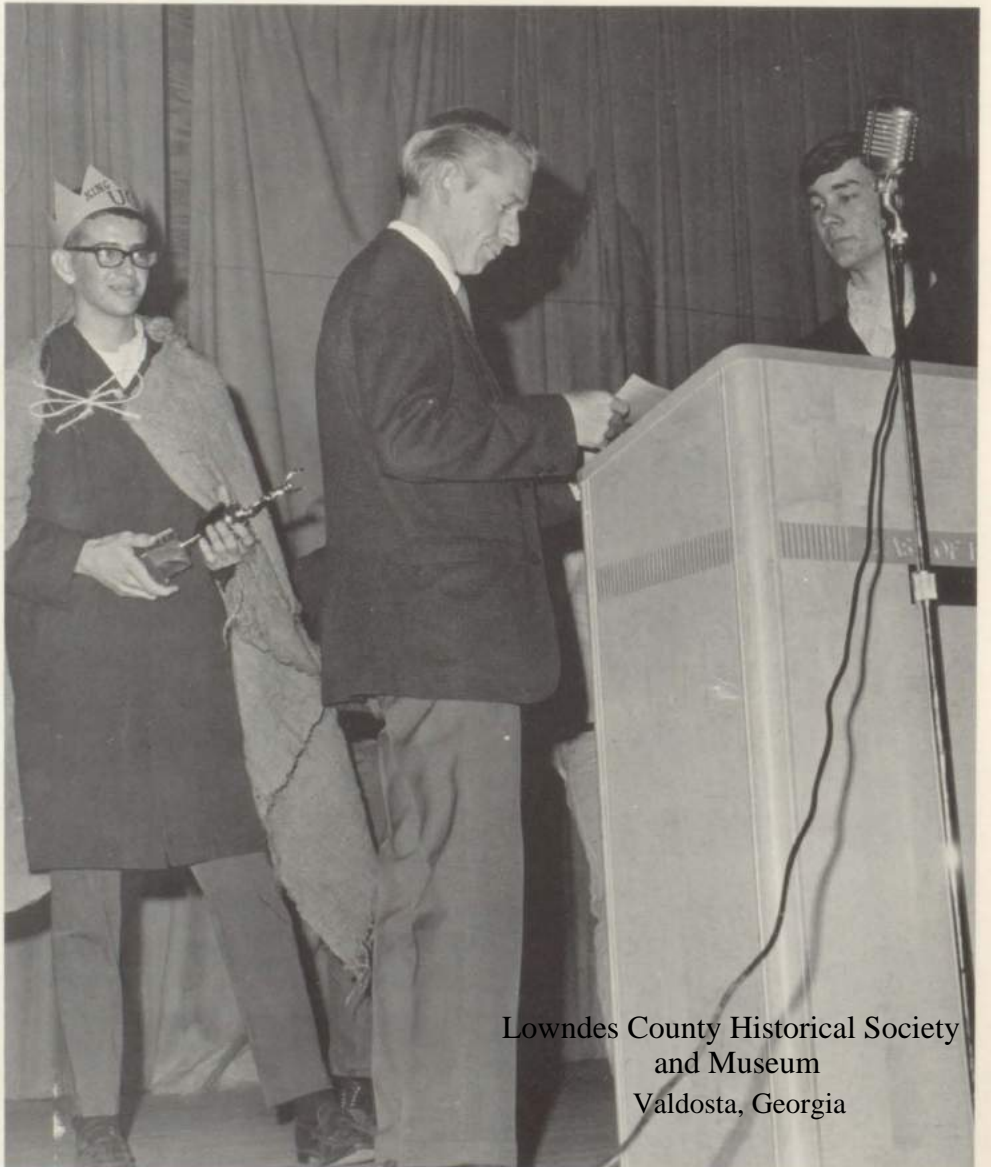
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"The Greatest Band in Dixie"



TOP: Victorious band members Sam Greneker, Janet Retterbush, Keith Moran, Roger DeCesare, Mike Beck, Riley Rutland and Mike DeCesare pour from buses to be greeted by throngs of cheering Valdostans. LEFT: A sweet reward prepared by the band boosters awaited the winners. RIGHT: Mr. Frank Butenshon and his wife display the trophy and medals won in New Orleans.

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ABOVE Judy Weeks poses during the DE fashion show in assembly. TOP, CENTER: For the first time, Mr. Howard Bridges, past principal, sees his portrait presented to VHS by the DE club. OPPOSITE: After the crowning of Freddy Norris as "King Ugly," Bill Malone, president of the DE club, presents Mr. Butenschon a check covering the amount collected in this money-making project. TOP RIGHT: After being named DE girl and boy of the year at the annual Employer-Employee banquet, Judy Hunt and Bill Malone admire the trophies presented by Mr. James Crawford. CENTER, RIGHT: SITTING: Mary Tillman, state DE secretary; Gary Childree, vice-president; Bill Malone, president; Diane Taylor, secretary; Helen Montague, historian. STANDING: Jimmy Jeter, sergeant at arms; Franky Norman, reporter; Debbie McDonald, treasurer; Judy Hunt, parliamentarian; Marilyn Ricks, chaplain; Margaret Williams, Sweetheart. BOTTOM, RIGHT: Mr. Green, Helen Montague, Margaret Williams, Mary Tillman, Bill Malone, Gary Childree, Marilyn Ricks, Franky Norman, Judy Hunt, Diane Taylor, Debbie McDonald, Jimmy Jeter. SECOND ROW: Harry Duncan, Nancy Powers, Gwen Register, Debbie Daniels, Cynthia Copeland, Marsha Norris, Barbara Bowers, Bonnie Goans, Debbie Senzig, Debbie Rogers, Joyce Dunlap. THIRD ROW: Barbara Bunch, Shirlee Weldon, Kay Lewis, Patricia Grimes, Kathy Malone, Kathy Corns, Tanya Webb, Jan Webb, Johnny Johnston. Don Weldon, Nancy Wise, Jerry Williams. FOURTH ROW: Max Stephenson, Gene Mullis, Gerald Sharp, Jay Mullis, Donald McCrary, Cissy Williams, Jack Bennett, Ricky Phillips, Judy Weeks, Fleming Williams, Philip Selph, Trey Tudor.

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Green Serves as New DE Coordinator



At the close of every school year Valdosta High School always loses several dedicated faculty members, but because new teachers move in to fill the void, the school never lacks trained and energetic teachers. Such was the case when Mr. Bill Glenn left VHS to assume a position at Valdosta Technical School. Mr. Norman Green, former DE student at VHS, replaced him.

In assuming his position as coordinator of 'Dosta DECA, Mr. Green inspired members to participate in many moneymaking and service projects. DECA members continued to carry out projects of previous years—such as preparing fair displays, selling Homecoming mums and senior pins, and holding barbecues before Wildcat football games.

In addition, club members also initiated new projects, including selling fruitcakes, having the "King Ugly" contest and presenting to the school a portrait of Mr. Howard Bridges, former principal.

Dosta DECA also brought honor to VHS at their annual State Convention in Atlanta, where Mary Tillman was elected state secretary, and Judy Hunt was elected state student-of-the-year.



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TOP: Jerry Neal, Mona Richards and Rod Holland discuss plans for Wildcat Bulletin with Pete Stone, WVLD disc jockey. ABOVE: Martin Miller explains a UPI wire sheet to OUTLOOK staff members Nan Miller, Sarah Stickley, and Jan Howell during one of their visits to the Valdosta Daily Times. RIGHT: Before the OUTLOOK chapel program, Mrs. Atwell pins on the flowers

given to her by the staff. TOP RIGHT: Jenny Johnston, Kathy Adams, and Glen Hatcher show Mr. Robert Bohler a layout for the Olan H. Luke's ad. FAR CENTER RIGHT: Rod Holland and King Smith discuss the finished product. BOTTOM RIGHT: OUTLOOK typists Bonnie Goans and Emily Marshall prepare to type articles submitted by other staff members.

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Outlook Takes Three First, One Second



Winning streaks can not last forever; a second place inevitably must fall.

OUTLOOK staff members exemplified this theorem after taking a second place rating from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. Previous to this the staff had copped three first place awards, including the Club of the Year Award, sponsored by the DE club and two trophies awarded by the Georgia Scholastic High School Press Association: the School and Community Service Award, and the Best Sports Page and Sports Writing Award.

Among the OUTLOOK'S other firsts was the broadcasting of Wildcat Bulletin on WVLD every Monday night; the publication of the *Retro-spect*, a literary magazine composed of the work of Valdosta High School students; and the entering a first-place float in the Homecoming parade.

Also, for the first time this year OUTLOOK staff members came under the guidance of Mrs. Richard Atwell.



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Cheerleaders Ignite Fans . . .



TOP: Valdosta High School cheerleaders and mascot Susan Scruggs lead the 'Cats' onto the field. BOTTOM RIGHT: Cheerleaders Mary Shirah, Cissie McCrary, Julie Scott, and Judy Weeks try to keep warm at the state championship game.

Judy Landey
Judy Weeks
Mona Richards
Cissie McCrary

Kathy Veatch
Julie Scott
Mary Shirah
Beverly Newlin



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Pep Club Adds Fuel,

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Before a fire can burn, it must be ignited and must have adequate fuel.

Similarly eight football cheerleaders supplied a combustion of spirit which charged the Pep Club to release its energies. Cheerleaders displayed their enthusiasm at the annual Homecoming bonfire when they burned a Tifton Blue Devil in effigy and led shouting students through the streets.

In addition, these girls fired-up the students by urging them to support their team at games and to buy spirit ribbons. They also decorated the goalposts for each home game and exemplified Valdosta High School sportsmanship in greeting visiting teams and cheerleaders.

Judy Landey, captain of the cheerleaders and president of the Pep Club, inspired officers Kathy Adams and Kay Deming to radiate spirit at games. Under their leadership, Pep Club members added crackle to such cheers as "Charge" and "Champs."



TOP LEFT: ROW ONE, Evelyn Nutt, Beverly Newlin, Judy Weeks, Mona Richards, Sissie McCrary, Judy Landey, Kathy Adams, Cheryl Cauthan, Kay Deming, Kathy Veatch, Dee Dee Durden. ROW TWO, Janice Wilson, Gail Richards, Becki Southwell, Bonnie Carter, Ginger Volosen, Joy Parrish, Comalea Rich, Brenda McLain, Diane Smith, Esther Paine, Margaret Williams. ROW THREE: Martha Alice Giddens, Charlotte Nix, Joy Alderman, Jan Alderman, Jenny Beck, Rita Moore, Marlene Carter, Idela Moore, Jenny Johnson, Diane Phillips, Debbie Blanton, Lynn Knighton, Nancy Griffin, Janet Hiers, Millie Krug. ROW FOUR, Paula Stark, Emily Freeman, Leigh Green, Jill Babcock, Carol Powell, Jill Townsend, Debbie Duncan, Martiele Sineath, Marianne Tillman, Brenda Cartee, Debbie Maddox. ROW FIVE, Ginny Price, Carolyn Shenton, Anne Paine, Mindy Cadou, Susan Scruggs, Lynn Van Horn, Lynn Phillips, Cynthia Jones, Lucy Neal, Darlene Sirmans, Beverly Krieger, Rodney Perlman. ROW SIX: Jan George, Joy Johnson, Vicki Pearlman, Cissie Williams, Frank Deming, Gail Green, Tekla Crawford, Judy Wallace, Barbara Singletary, Lu Lu Sikes, Danny Spicer. LEFT: Wildcat mascot Susan Scruggs watches the proceedings at Homecoming pep rally. ABOVE: During their halftime breather, Captain Judy Landey discusses the game with an Albany cheerleader.

Cheerleaders Carry 'Cats Up, Up 'n Away

"Up, up and away!" Before basketball season ended, this phrase became the theme song of six VHS girls, the cheerleaders for all cage contests.

Selling spirit ribbons, making announcements to encourage participation at games, and leading cheers kept these girls bouncing. Cheerleaders also sold black and gold stop signs, with the proceeds going to the senior class treasury.

Go! Shoot! Score! Yea! Win or lose, home or away, the basketball cheerleaders always supported the 'Cats: Even when fans failed to attend out-of-town games, these girls added spirit and moral support to coaches and players.

With their verve and enthusiasm, the cheerleaders may also have been the magnet drawing larger crowds to the games; for, whatever the reason, attendance this year rose to an all-time high.



Mindy Cadou



Esther Paine



Susan Scruggs



Jeanne Hansen



Cissie Williams



Claire Shelton



ABOVE: During time out, cheerleaders leap to punctuate a yell. RIGHT: Even when they rest, Esther Paine, Susan Scruggs, Mindy Cadou, Claire Shelton, Jeanne Hansen and Cissie Williams keep the drive going with familiar chants.



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Debate Team Revived After Ten Years



With the coming of a new administration and a new senior class, a number of changes have been made in the curriculum and club activities. Some small variations, some large, were effected in 1968-69. Among the more important revisions was the re-activation of the Debate Team, which was disbanded ten years ago.

At first, team members Larry Whitten, Wes Davis, Rod Holland, and Calvin Rouse worked under the guidance of history instructor, Jimmy Copeland. When Mr. Copeland left Valdosta High School to continue his studies at Georgia Southern, the team completed the year under the direction of Mrs. Harry Wolinski. They also worked closely with Mr. J. H. Surran, who accompanied the boys to a debate clinic in Athens last fall.

Because of limited time and experience, the team participated in only one competitive debate. Members went up against Georgia Christian in their first debate. This debate ended in a draw, with the affirmative teams of both schools winning their matches.

Debate members closed the year in an exhibition match given in assembly. Mr. Stan DeHart, speech and drama instructor at Valdosta State College, judged the exhibition. Mr. DeHart said in his summation "This is one of the finest high school debate teams I have ever judged."



TOP: VSC speech and drama instructor Stan DeHart served as judge for the exhibition debate. When he decided in favor of the negative side, he said, "This neg-

ative team has plenty of snarl." ABOVE: Rod Holland, Wes Davis, Larry Whitten, and Calvin Rouse prepare their arguments for the exhibition debate in assembly.

Marchin' Cats Awarded Spirit Stick

When Danny Spicer, president of the band, accepted the spirit stick from the cheerleaders for the Marchin' Cats being the most spirited group during pep rallies, two of Valdosta's most famous features were combined. For the school has always been known for three things: its football team, its band, and its spirit.

This year the VHS band members incorporated spirit in their marching routines, in parade appearances and in concerts. Their enthusiasm showed as they performed during the Rose Festival in Thomasville, at the Peach Bowl Parade in Atlanta, and as they participated in parades throughout Georgia.

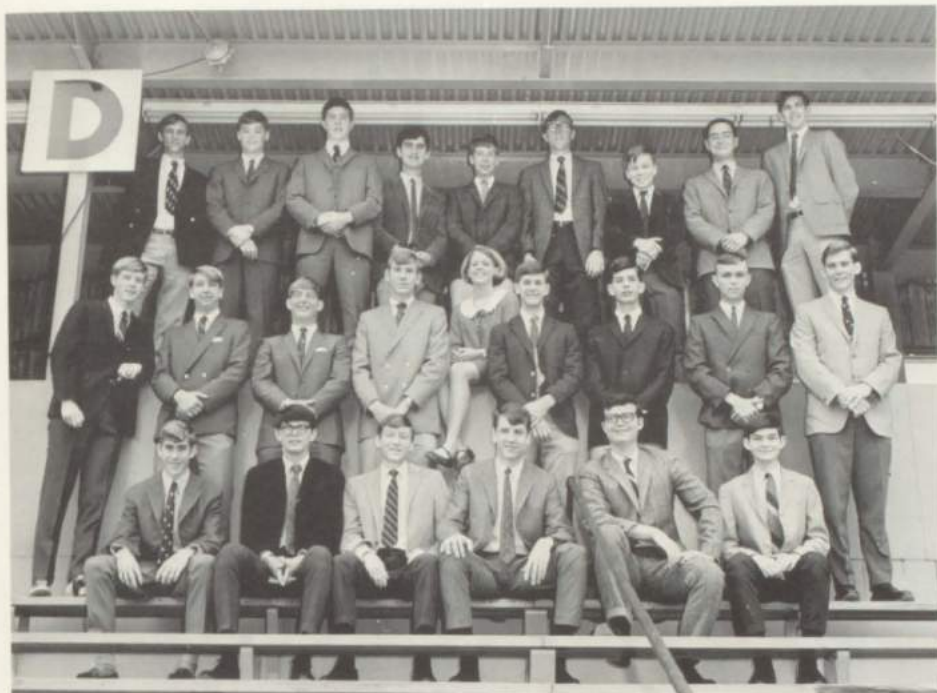
Highlight of the band's season of concerts, parades and clinics was the trip to New Orleans. There, long hours of tedious work paid off when the Marchin' Cats were named "The Greatest Band in Dixie." This title enabled the band to lead the famous Rex Parade.



ABOVE: Marchin' Cats form their famous Dixie formation as they make an exit after halftime. TOP RIGHT: During the halftime show, the color guard performs various military routines. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mr. Frank Butenshon prepares to raise the baton to begin the 1969 band concert at Mathis City Auditorium.

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Hi-Y Combines Business and Pleasure



There is an old saying that there is a time for business and a time for pleasure. This year the Valdosta Hi-Y managed to blend the two. Members found that they could enjoy carrying out each project.

Hi-Y boys discovered that holding rummage sales, selling candy and washing cars was not all work. These activities offered an opportunity for the boys to come in contact with people and to have fellowship with other club members.

Money raised in various projects also enabled two Hi-Y members, Mike Williams, president; and Scooter Singletary, secretary, to attend state youth assembly in Atlanta. At the assembly representatives from Tri-Hi-Y's and Hi-Y's throughout the state learned many aspects of government on the state level.

At the end of the year a banquet was held to honor old and new officers. There special recognition was given to Mr. Mike Fletcher, sponsor, and to Debbie Duncan, club sweetheart. Also, it was announced that the Valdosta chapter had been given an AA rating as an outstanding club in Georgia.



TOP: ROW ONE: Bob Wiggins, Bill Bowers, Harry Evans, David Hobbs, Donald Davis, Max Stephenson. SECOND ROW: Richard Cowart, Alan Strickland, Mike Shearin, Scooter Singletary, Debbie Duncan, Mike Williams, John Batts, Tom Davis, Mr. Belcher. THIRD ROW: David Bentley, Gary Blanton, Jim

Copeland, Tommy Cato, Hamp Bell, Jerry Williams, Larry Whitten, Don Gerlock, Glen Hatcher. ABOVE: Miss Ann Powell supports the Hi-Y candy sale by buying a box from Scooter Singletary and Mike Williams.

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Contrast

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C. Jan Howell
President

Joy V. Parrish
Secretary



A. King Smith
Treasurer

Sissie G. McCrary
Vice-president



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Seniors Cast Glow on Their Special Year



As the light from the prism of school focused on them in September, seniors, bursting with enthusiasm, began not just another grade in high school, but that most important final year.

Though sharing the year with other classes, seniors colored the span of nine months their own. Flushed with the activities of pep rallies, football games, and Homecoming events, they shed an iridescent glow on the background of a new term.

Gold, red, and orange colors played upon their faces when they were reflecting the scorch of a bonfire. Chapped lips smiled confidently at the predictions of Miss Flame, Debbie Maddox, while cold hands and icy voices applauded the year's football accomplishments.

With the ending of football and basketball seasons and the blue feelings induced by exams came the expectancy of spring. Blue spirits were boosted by the changing of cool winds into warm spring breezes. Burnt-yellow stubble blossomed into roses on the front-campus fence and seniors began planning Senior Day and practicing for graduation.

Kathy Adams
Mike Beck

F. W. Anderson
Joanne Beggs

Dianne Baskin
Jack Berry

Debra Beaty
Dwight Bishop



Kay Black
Nancy Blanton
Robbie Blanton



Robert Bohler
Diana Boris
Barbara Bowers



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Clem Brannen
Mike Brantley
Timmy Brogdon



Carolyn Brown

David Bullock

Barbara Bunch

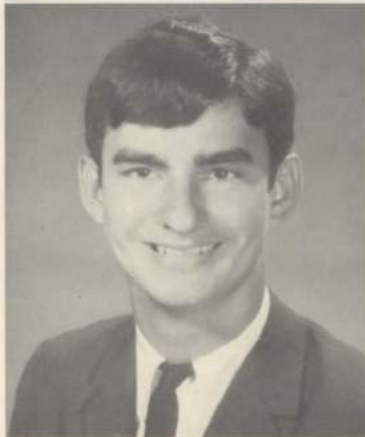
Mindy Cadou



Seniors Spotlight Big Plans



Debbie Cain
Brenda Cartee



Tommy Cato
Micheal Chiang

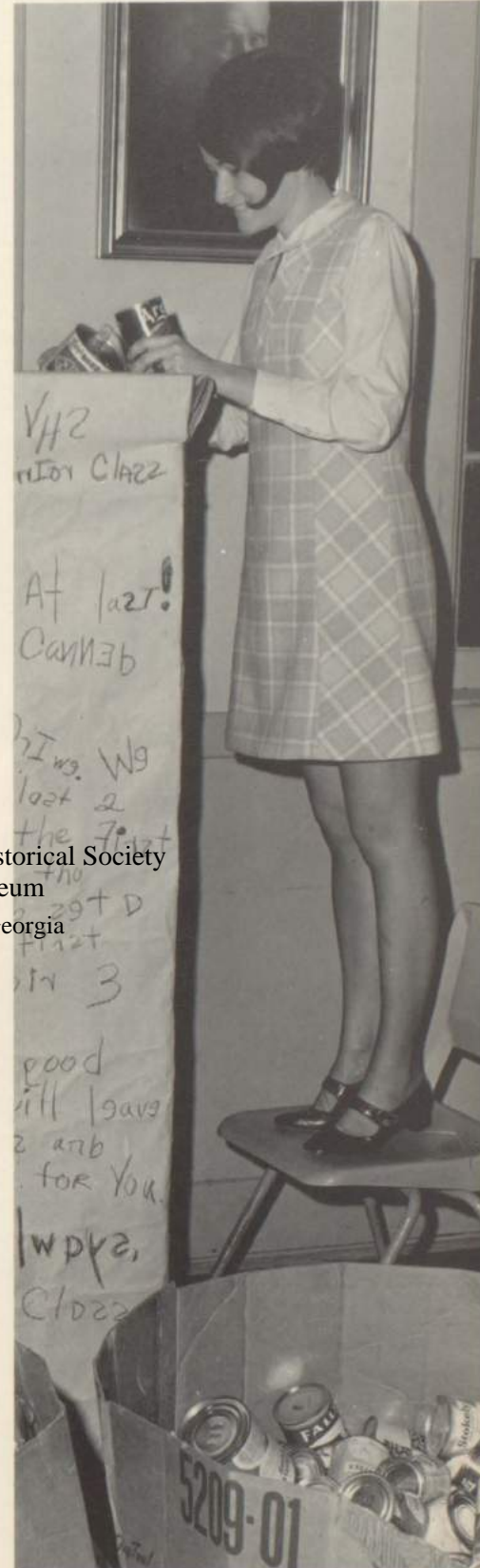


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Gary Childree
Jim Clary



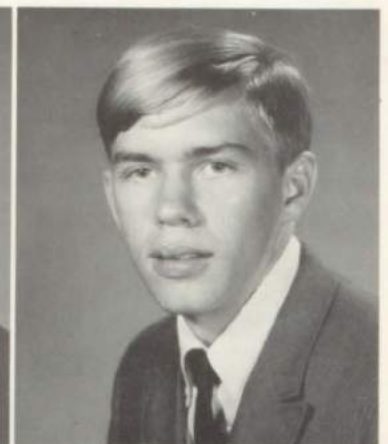
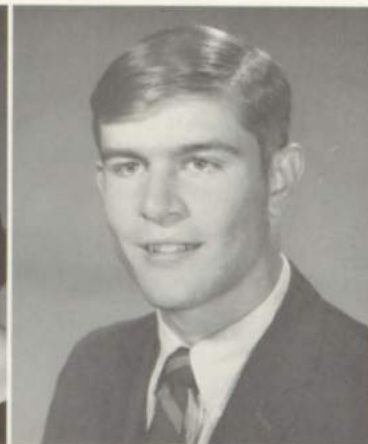
Joe Clary
Gail Connell



Because the seniors used a big box to match big ideas for the annual food drive, Becky Zipperer has to climb on a chair to drop in some cans.

They Plunge Headlong

Cynthia Copeland
Stan Coppage
Gary Coyler



Kathy Corns
Marvin Courson
Richard Cowart



Peggy Cox
Jana Davis

Sue Cuppett
Tony Davis

Franklin Dallas
Wes Davis

Donald Davis
Donald Dayton



nto Festivities



Roger DeCesare
Frank Deming

Tony DeGange
Bobby Dennis



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While working on a Homecoming float, JoAnn Beggs, senior, sinks her hands into a froth of napkins.

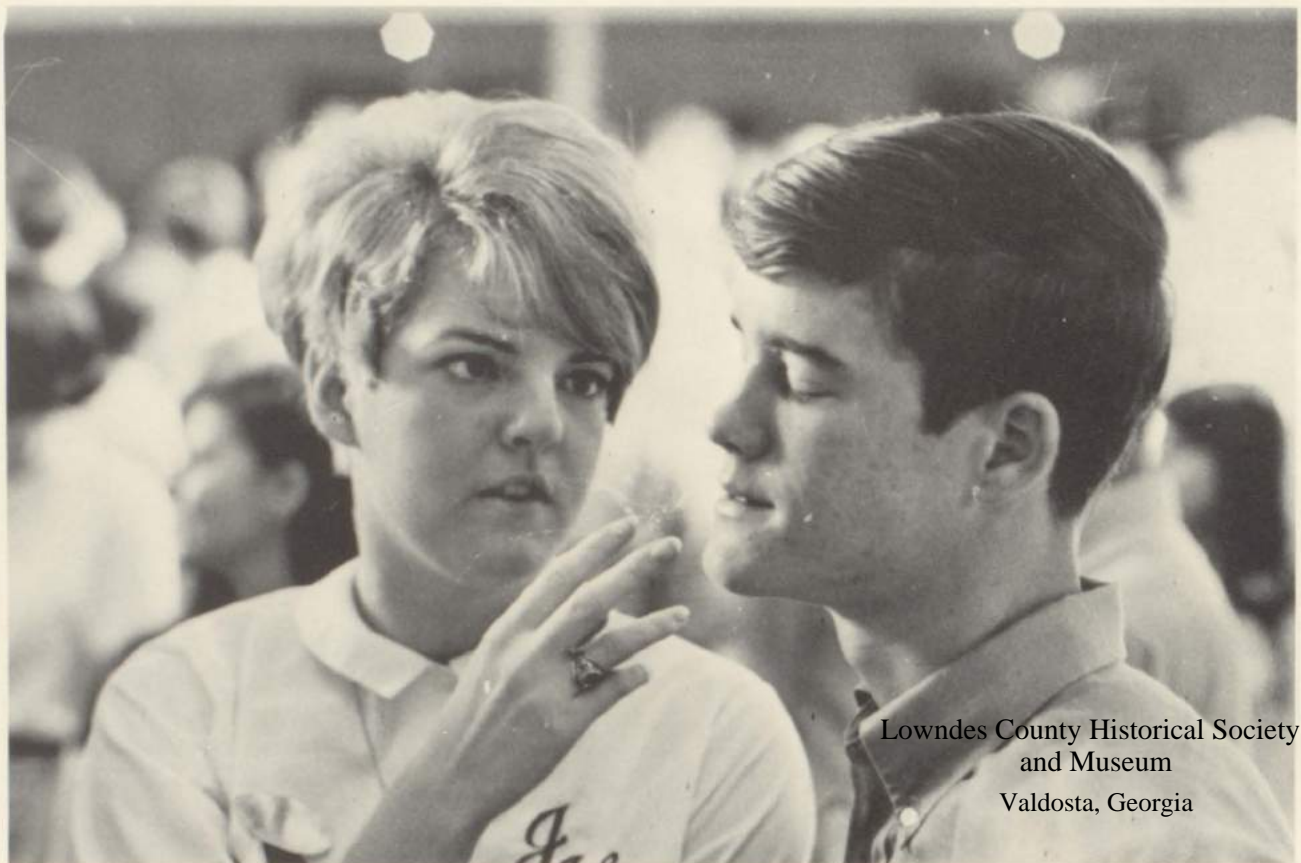


Jerry Dennis
Cecil Dubberly
Debbie Duncan



Harry Duncan
Junior Dorminey
Harry Evans

Class Maintains Close Harmony



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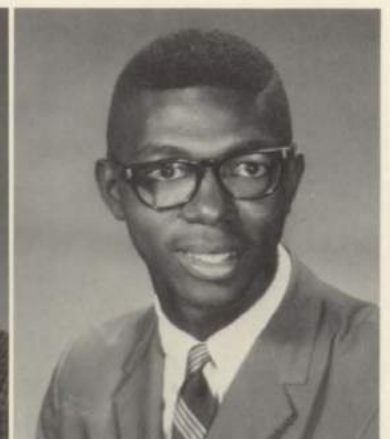
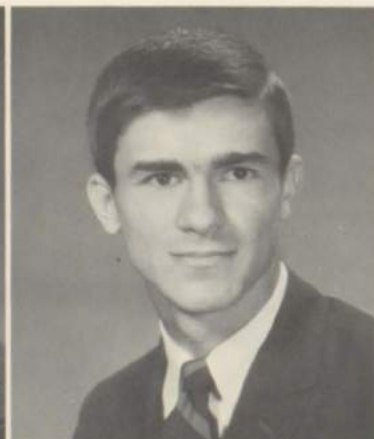
Cheerleader Judy Weeks shakes an admonishing finger at John Stump while seniors file out of assembly.

David Fender
Annie Garland

Mike Flail
Ann George

Eddie Fletcher
Dea Gibson

Calvin Fuller
Carol Gillespie





Bonnie Goans
Gayle Green
Alan Golden



Sammy Greneker
Linda Gunter
Ingrid Hall



Joe Hall
George Harmon
Glenn Hatcher

Evelyn Haynes

Rod Holland

Jan Howell

Jan L. Howell





Sandra Hubble
June Johnson

Barbara Hughes
Jenny Johnston

Terry Hunt
Richard Joyner

Elizabeth Jackson
Walter Jones

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Sue Kalil
Ricky Keller
Donna Killebrew



Ray Knighton
Mille Krug
Buddy La Hood



Senior Thespians Assume Colorful Roles



Letricia Lancaster
Judy Landey
Margaret Langdale

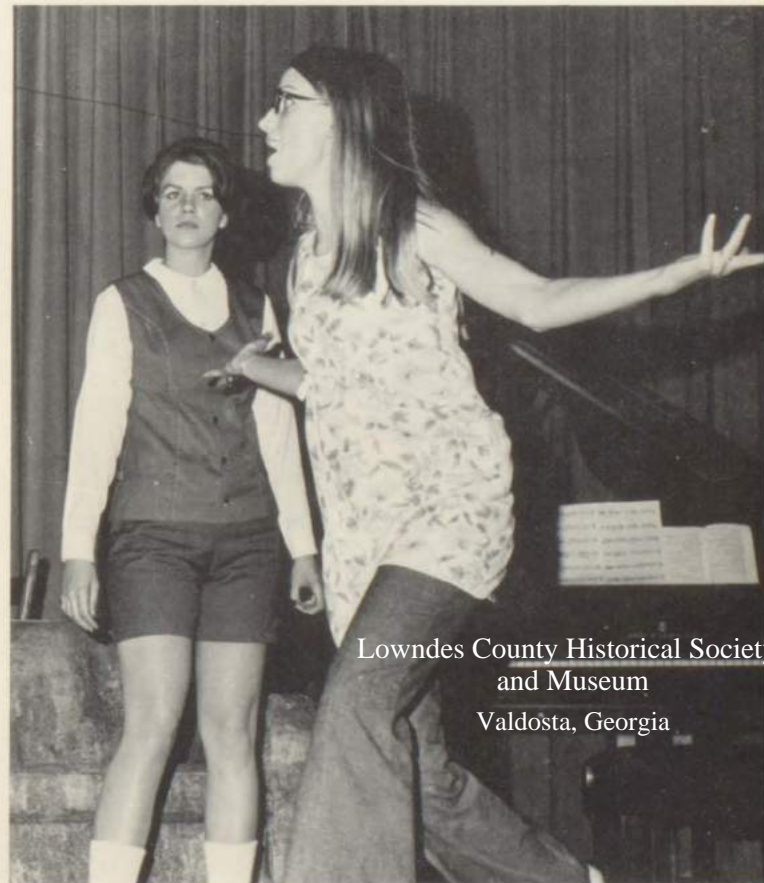


Kay Lewis
Jim Lloyd
Bennett Luke

Sally McCoy
Sissie McCrary

Donald McCrary
Julian McDonald

While Sarah Stickley tries to remember lines, Mary Riggle practices one of her speeches for the senior class play.



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Deborah McGowan
Brenda McLain
Debbie Maddox



Bill Malone
Emily Marshall
Paula Masden



Debbie Mathis
Dutton Miller
Nan Miller

Helen Montague

Idella Moore

Richard Moore

Rick Moore



Senior Gridders Display Talents Off Field



Keith Moran
Jerry Neal

Gene Mullis
Sam Nobles

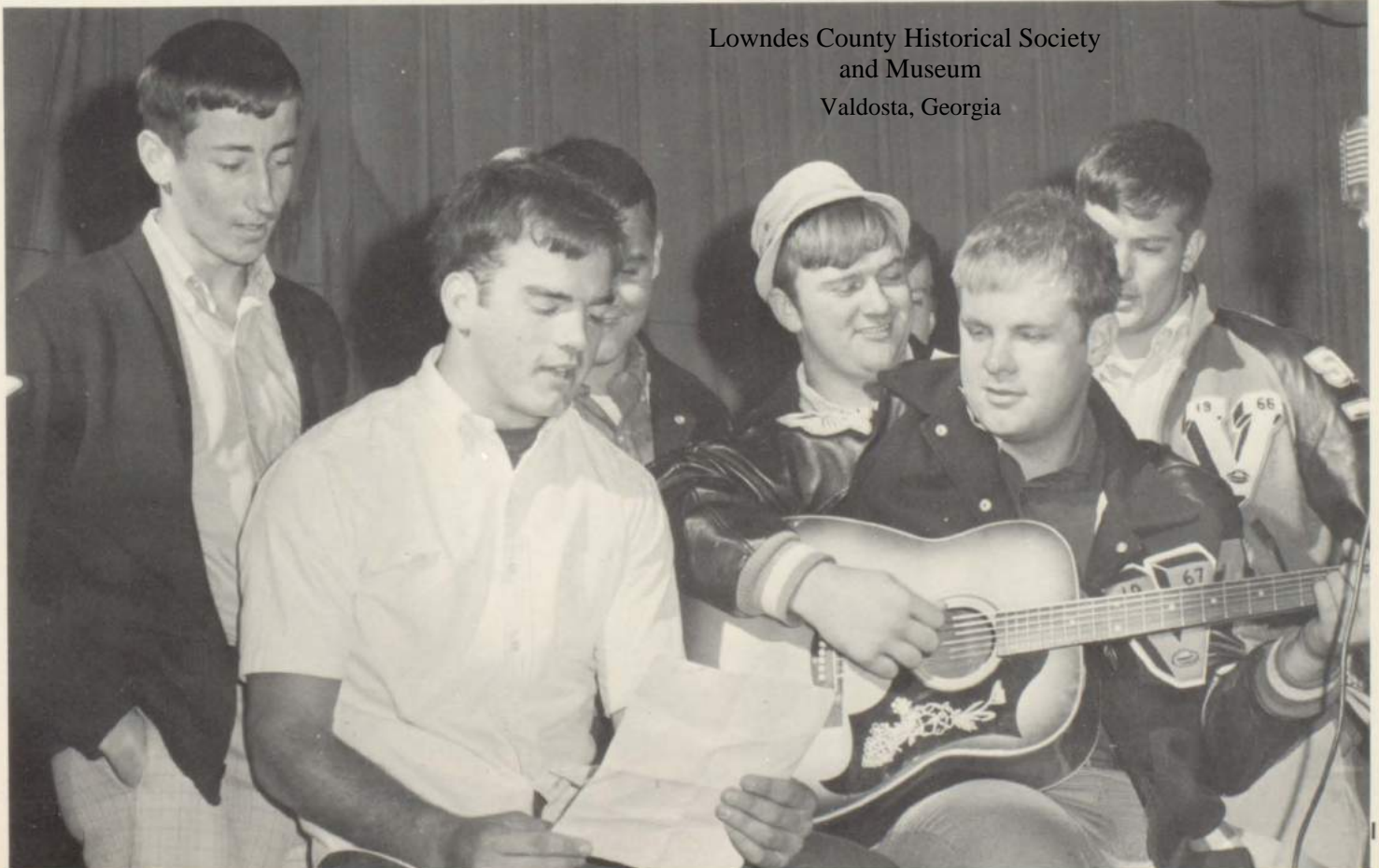
Peggy Mullis
Cheryl Noles

Douglas Murajda
Frankie Norman

Displaying more than their football prowess, Tony Davis, Donald Dayton, Jim Lloyd, Walter Jones, Ronnie Pitcock, and Bennett Luke harmonize

with Tiger Williams on the guitar.

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Esther Paine
Joy Parrish
Connie Pate



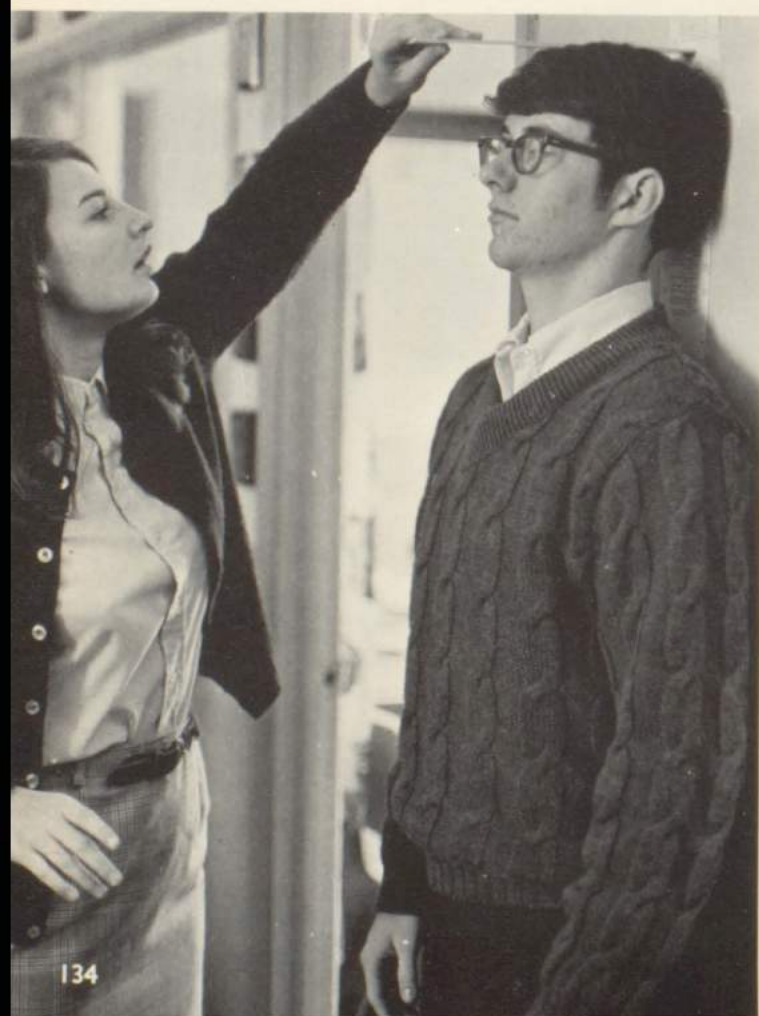
Rodney Perlman
Diane Phillips
Jan Phillips



Wes Davis stands tall as Bonnie Goans records his height for the ordering of caps and gowns.

Lynn Phillips
Karen Pitts

Cathy Pipkins
Ronnie Pitcock



Anticipating Graduation, Seniors Stand Tall



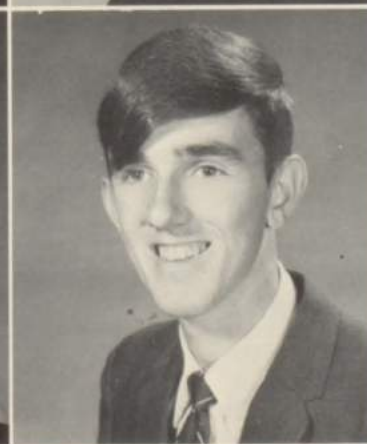
Bruce Powers
Charles Register
Gwendolyn Register



Comalea Rich
Mona Richards
George Rogero



Judy Rogero
Delores Rogers
Joe Rogers



Mary Lou Rogers
William Royal
Starr Runyan



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Charles Samuels
Roddy Scruggs
Susan Scruggs



Fran Selph
Debbie Senzig
Erin Sherman



Scooter Singletary
Daryl Sparks

Dee Smith
Becki Southwell

Diane Smith
Mark Starling

King Smith
Ralph Starling



Senior Day Chapel Reviews Their Crises



David Steinberg
Harriet Stewart
Sarah Stickley



Gaile Stokes
Diane Taylor
John Tomlinson

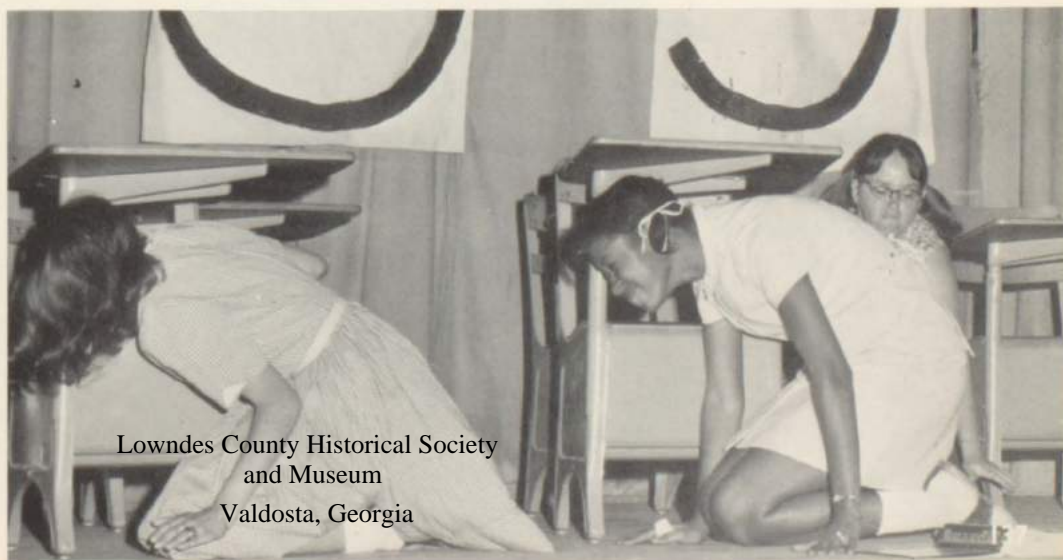


Beatrice Townsend
Jill Townsend
Melody Triber



Bob Turner

During a scene in the annual Senior Day Assembly, Gail Stokes, Gwen Register, and Carol Gillespie scramble for cover while enacting the Cuban crisis of 1962.



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Seniors Honor Departing Teacher,



Seniors Nan Miller, Ingrid Hall, Sussie McCrary, Jan Howell, Barbara Bowers, Joy Parrish, Richard Cowart, and Ricky Keller surround Mrs. Oliver Googe after the special senior chapel honoring her follow-

ing announcement of her resignation as a VHS English teacher. Cissie McCrary admires the engraved silver tray that the class gave Mrs. Googe.



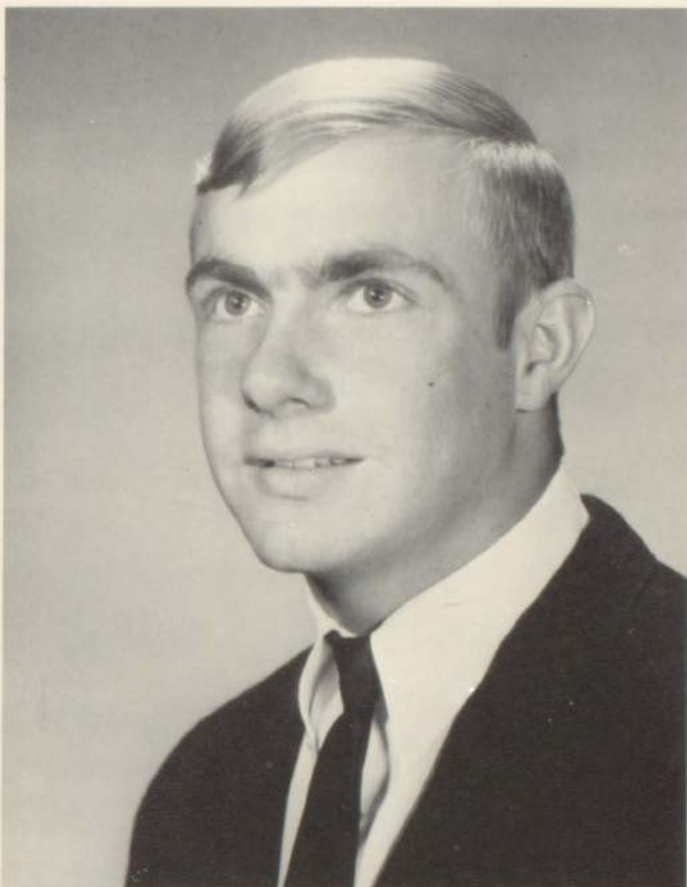
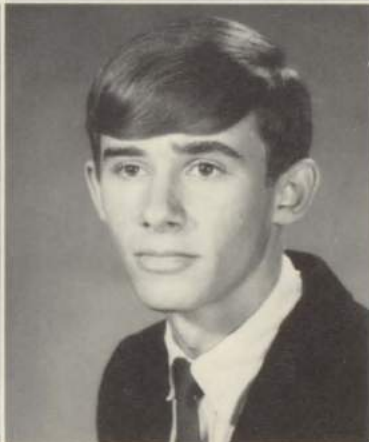
Ginger Volosen
Jackie Welden
Shirley Warren



Jan Webb
Tanya Webb

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Remember Friend Who Could Not Stay



Don Weldon
Iris Wiggins

Larry Whitten
Bion Williams

Jerry Greene
Died August 27, 1968



Glenn Williams
Margaret Williams
Mike Williams



Angela Wilson
Becky Zipperer
Denise Irby

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Superlative Columns Support



Like the columns supporting the massive facades of many historical buildings, the ten superlatives chosen by the faculty gave their moral and intellectual support to Valdosta High School.

Both beauty and architectural uniqueness of the Parthenon are dependent upon its columns. In fact, columns are an intricate part of almost all of the world's most famous structures.

In the same way the superlatives' talents, leadership, and scholastic ability typified and upgraded the school's proudest traditions and also furnished an attractive foundation. This group consisted of the school's publication editors, artists, scholars, and club presidents.

In selecting the superlatives, the faculty first drew up a nomination list to submit to Mr. Green. Later they voted by secret ballots for the ten finalists.



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Valdosta High School



FAR LEFT: Sarah Stickley. CENTER, TOP LEFT: Richard Co-
wart. CENTER, TOP RIGHT: Donald Davis. ABOVE: Gaile
Stokes. CENTER, BOTTOM LEFT: Erin Sherman. CENTER,
BOTTOM RIGH: King Smith.

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To epitomize the columns supporting a building, the ten senior superlatives gave their support in various ways to Valdosta High School. These ten individuals included Donald Davis, Mona Richards, Erin Sherman, King Smith, Robbi Blanton, Gaile Stokes, Glen Hatcher, Richard Cowart, Jan Howell, and Sarah Stickley.

Each in his own way contributed distinct and varied attributes to the school. Robbi Blanton editor of the OUTLOOK; Glen Hatcher, editor of the RETROSPECT; Erin Sherman, editor of the SANDSPUR, headed the school publication.

Club and class leadership was provided by Donald Davis, Student Council president, Gaile Stokes, Future Homemaker president, Richard Cowart, president of the Key Club, Erin Sherman, president of the Tri-Hi-Y, and Jan Howell, senior class president.

Gaile Stokes and King Smith excelled in scholastics as Star Student and valedictorian.

Also, Sarah Stickley displayed her acting ability in the leading role of the senior class play, while Mona Richards tackled the books as business manager of the OUTLOOK.



Distinct, Varied Attributes to School



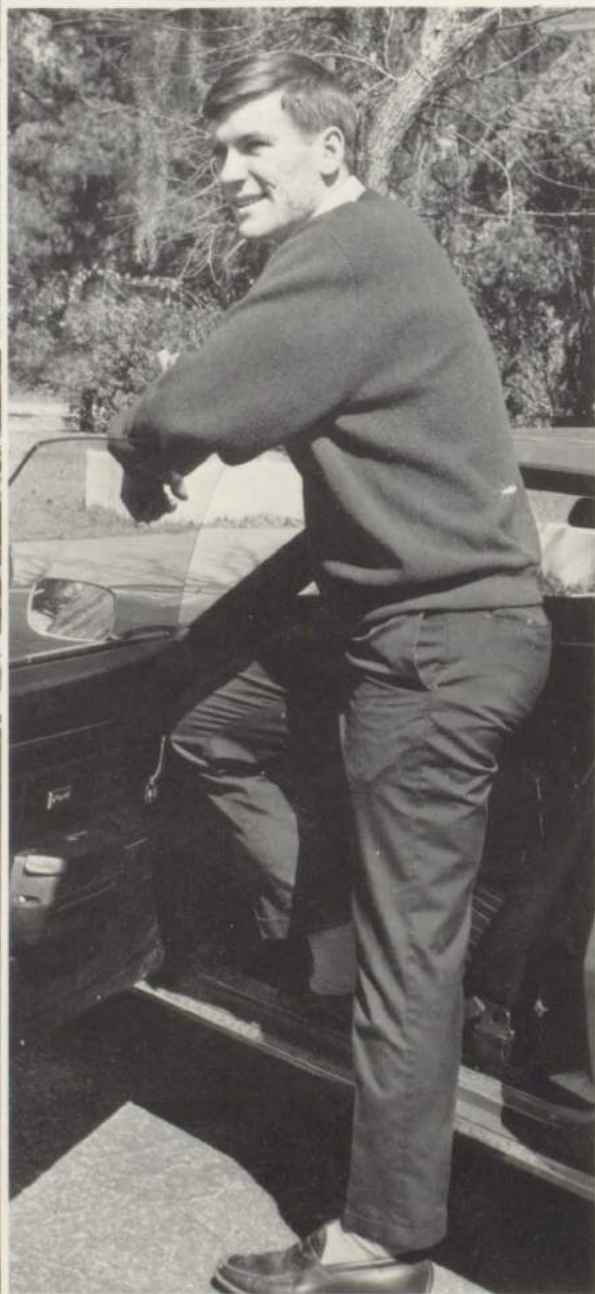
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FAR LEFT: Glen Hatcher. TOP, CENTER: Mona Richards.
ABOVE, STANDING: Donald Davis, Robbi Blanton, RICHARD
COWART, Glen Hatcher, King Smith, and Erin Sherman.
SITTING: Mona Richards, Gaile Stokes, Sarah Stickley, and
Jan Howell. BELOW, LEFT: Robbi Blanton. OPPOSITE.
Jan Howell.



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President

Anne Bernard
Treasurer

Cissy Williams
Secretary

Marty LeFiles
Vice-President



Juniors Maintain Color Harmony

Any single color may be beautiful, but in order for it to appear beautiful among other colors there must be harmony. Three colors may represent the harmony of the Valdosta High School junior class.

Shocking pink depicts the ability of the juniors to maintain unity between the seniors and sophomores. Juniors helped make the transition of the sophomores from junior high to high school easier and aided the seniors in projecting an image of superiority.

They also contributed to school activities. Junior girls tried out for football and basketball cheerleaders and entered the Miss Valdosta High Beauty Contest. Junior boys participated in various sports and also met academic challenges. Both boys and girls participated in

clubs and ran for class offices.

Fluorescent orange, the second color, suggests the enthusiasm of the juniors who supported the football and basketball teams and willingly undertook their studies. Some of these subjects were physics, chemistry, Algebra III, trigonometry, and United States history.

Finally, chartreuse illustrates the excitement and anticipation of becoming seniors. To prove that their anticipation was valid, juniors demonstrated leadership ability by electing various class leaders. Class officers they chose were president, Vickie Smith; vice-president, Marty LeFiles; secretary, Cissy Williams; and treasurer, Anne Bernard.

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Gerald Alcorn
Jan Alderman
Carolyn Arnold
Bonnie Ashcom

John Batts
Kynnette Bethea
Jenny Beck
Hamp Bell

Peggy Bennett
Anne Bernard
Tutta Bird
Bo Blalock



Wesley Blanchard
Debbie Blanton
Gary Blanton
Ronnie Blanton



Scott Bretzke
Ginny Bridges
Pat Browning
Lavonne Brownlee



Billy Carmichael
Bonnie Carter
Judy Carter
Ken Carter



Marlene Carter
Malcolm Cason
Gary Caudle
Jim Christie



Dorothy Coleman
Jim Colson
Kathy Colson
Jim Copeland



Tilford Copeland
Maureen Corns
Tekla Crawford
Steve Cunningham



Their Leaders Command Senior Respect

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Junior Angela Wetherington "tells it like it is" to seniors Jana Davis, Erin Sherman, Robbie Blanton, Jan Howell, Richard Cowart, Peggy Mullis, Donald Davis and juniors Don Gerlock and Johnny Kalil at an

Inter-Club Council meeting. Angela exercises her authority as president of this organization.

Billy Cuppet
Tom Davis
Gloria Evans

Vicki Dasher
Mark DiBois
Janice Exum

Brenda Daugherty
Steve DeGange
Bruce Fornes

Henry Davis
Gary Dove
Jackie Gaskins

Johnny Davis
Joyce Dunlap
Lynn Gaskins



Christmas Food Drive Gives Junior Chance to Show Winning Qualities



Jan George
Don Gerlock
Bill Gillespie
Ellen Green



Bart Greer
Nancy Griffin
Patricia Grimes
Pat Hall



Lucretia Hamill
Philip Haney
Jeanne Hansen
Karen Hausman



Barry Henderson
Kathy Hendricks
Kay Herring
David Hobbs



Aaron Holder
Sherri Holman
Tom Holt
Angela Hughes





Larry Hughes
Dennis Irby



Steve Jaramillo
Carolyn Jewett



Frankie Johnson
Greg Johnson



Junior Kathy Leischen puts food in the box for the Christmas Food Drive.

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James Johnston
Cynthia Jones
Colye Justman
Robert Koncar



Sylvia Kessler
Lynn Knighton
Mickey Lagioia
Jerry LaMontagne



Kathy Leischen
Richard Liles
LaVictor Lipscomb
Gary Luke

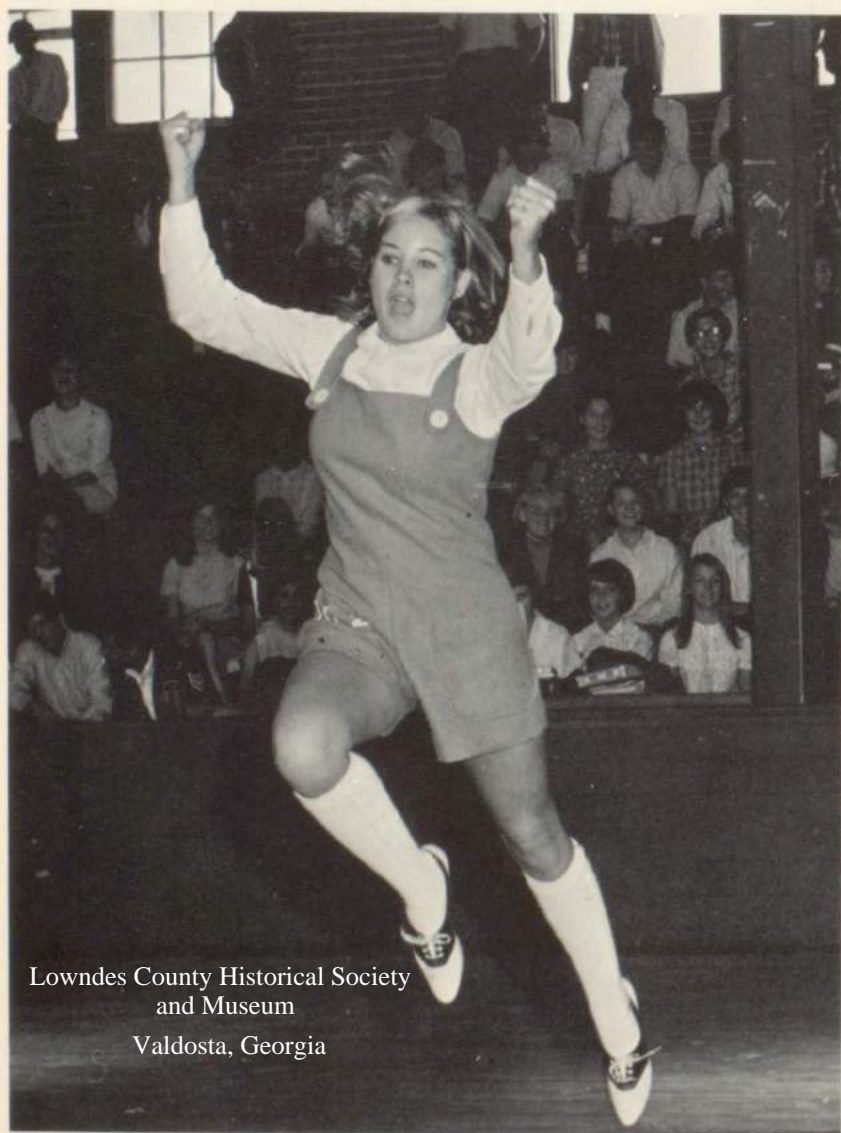
William Mackey
Diana Malerich
Kathryn Malone
Richard Martin



Billy McNeal
Jesse McRae
Hank Mead
Benji Meeks



Claire Shelton tries out for basketball cheerleader.



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Peggy Myddleton
Barbara Muraida
Jerry Newman

Robin Moran
Beverly Newlin
Karen Noles



Freddie Norris
Marsha Norris
Anne Paine
Elaine Parkerson

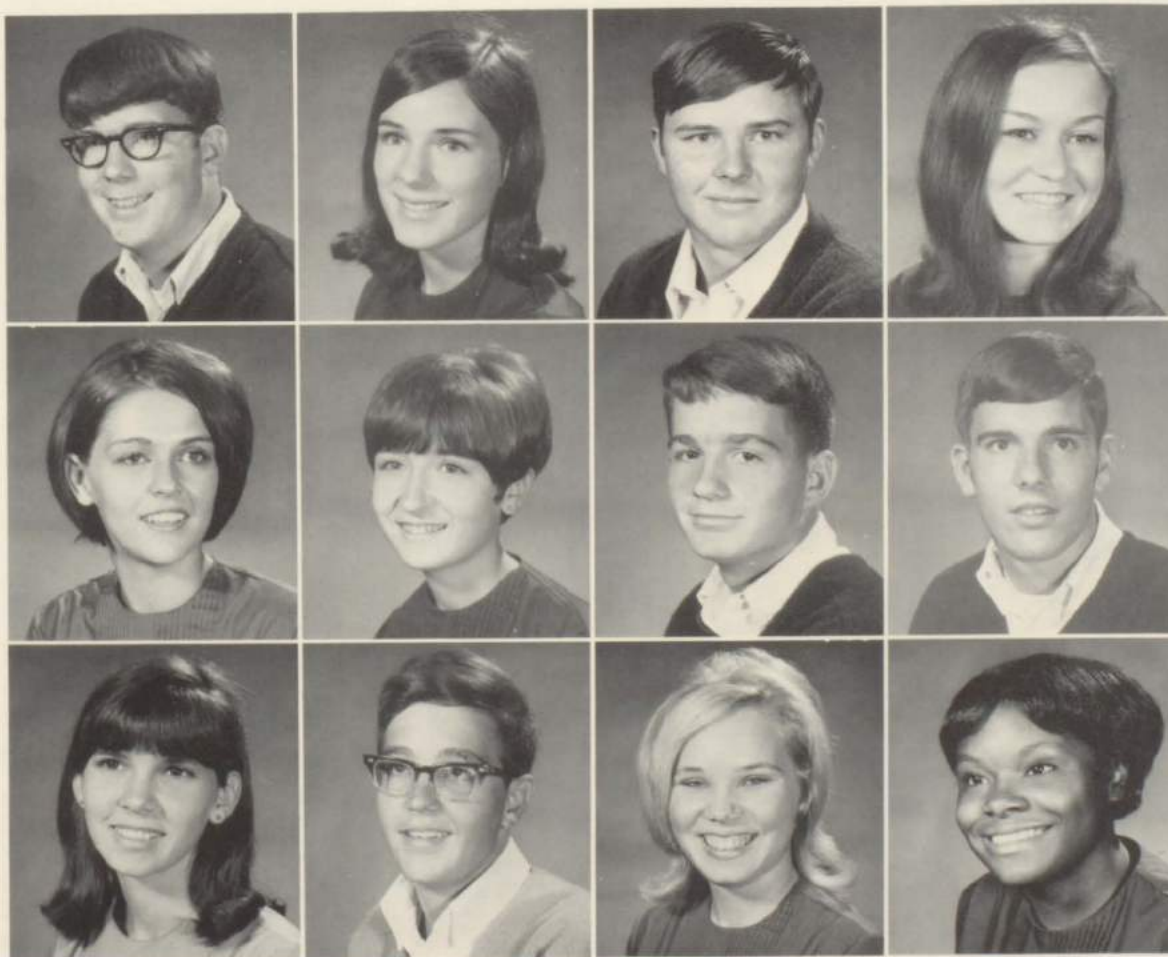


Anne Patten
Dee Patten
Bruce Pearlman
Vicki Pearlman

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Juniors Jump to Obtain Position in Extra-curricular Activities

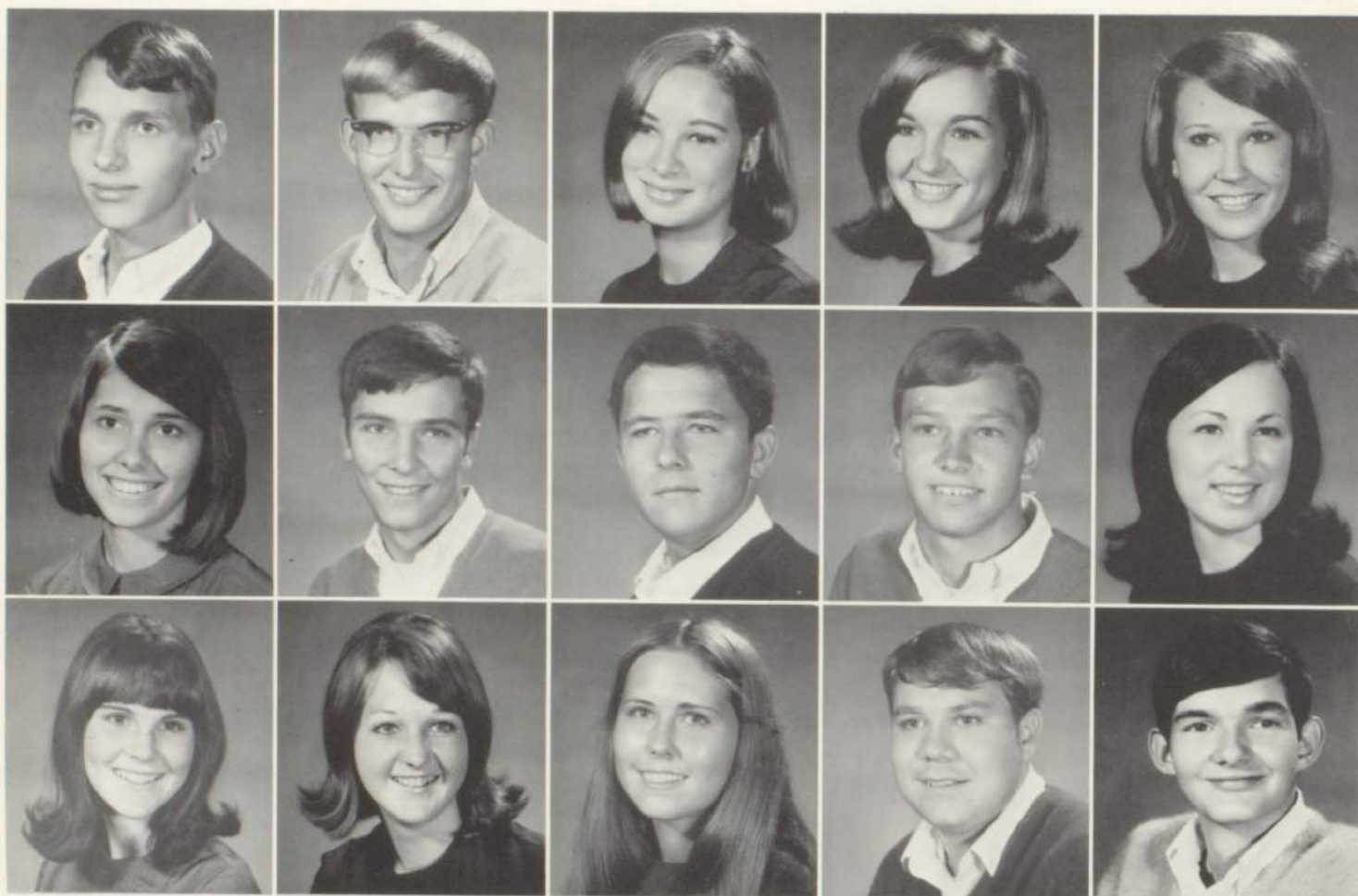
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Linda Pipkin
Wesley Phillips
Davy Powell
Martha Powell

Nancy Powers
Ginny Price
Ralph Puckett
Greg Quattlebaum

Elsie Rehberg
David Retterbush
Pam Reynolds
Aretha Richardson



Gerald Sharpe
Barbara Singletary
Kathryn Smotherman

Mike Shearin
Harry Skoropat
Ginny Sorrells

Claire Shelton
Jeff Slocum
Liz Sparger

Mary Shirah
Bubba Smith
Danny Spicer

Martiele Sineath
Vickie Smith
Max Stephenson

Juniors Anticipate New Experiences

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Gordon Sturgis
Rhudine Thomas
Sharon Tidwell
Marianne Tillman



Mary Tillman
Phyllis Traynham
Lynn Van Horn
Kathy Veatch



Marilyn Ricks
David Roddey



Sandra Rowe
Carl Rudowske



Riley Rutland
Mike Sansbury



Chip Sawyer
Donna Sasser



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While waiting for her name to be called, Nancy Griffin fights butterflies.

Emil Schroer

Phillip Selph



Tired but Happy, They Take Spirit Trophy

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TOP, RIGHT: Miss Ann Powell, junior class sponsor, collapses for a few moments before guests arrive for Junior-Senior Dance. ABOVE, LEFT: Juniors Kathryn Smotherman and Anne Paine get a charge out of watching the crowd gathering for the Beauty Contest, another of their class's major undertakings. ABOVE, RIGHT: Class president Vickie Smith beams as she accepts the Spirit Trophy given each year by the Student Council to the class or club contributing the most to the school. Donald Davis, Student Council president, makes the presentation.



Judi Wallace
April Wetherington

Shirlee Weldon
Nancy Wose

Angela Wetherington
Ronald Wisenbaker

Bob Wiggins
David Yale
Billy Yeomans

Cissy Williams
Robert Yale
Claudia York

Reginald Williams
Sharon Yale
Cheryl Cauthan



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Cheerleader Mary Shirah gazes on the snow-swept field during the State Championship game.



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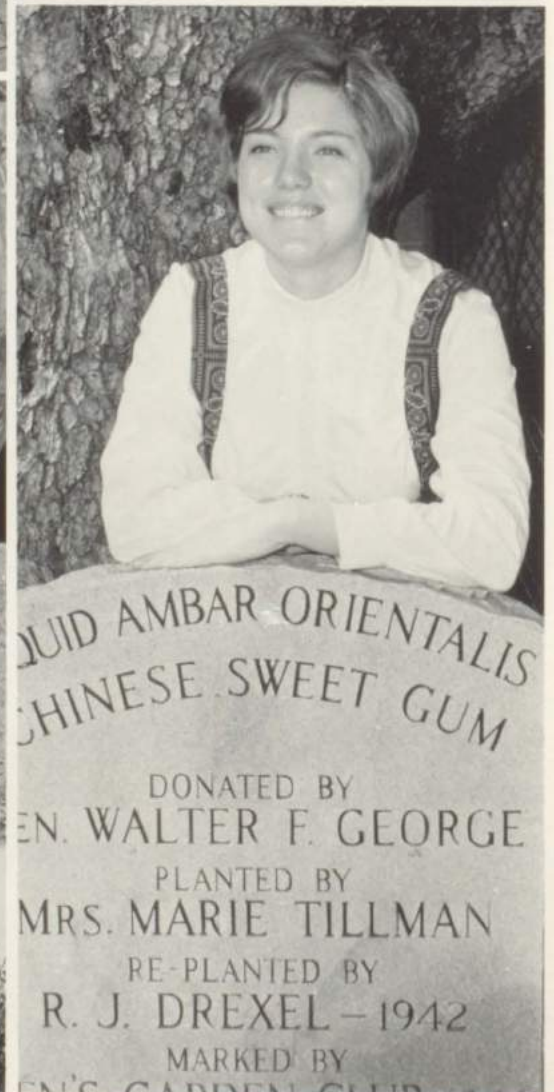
Curt Bazemore
President



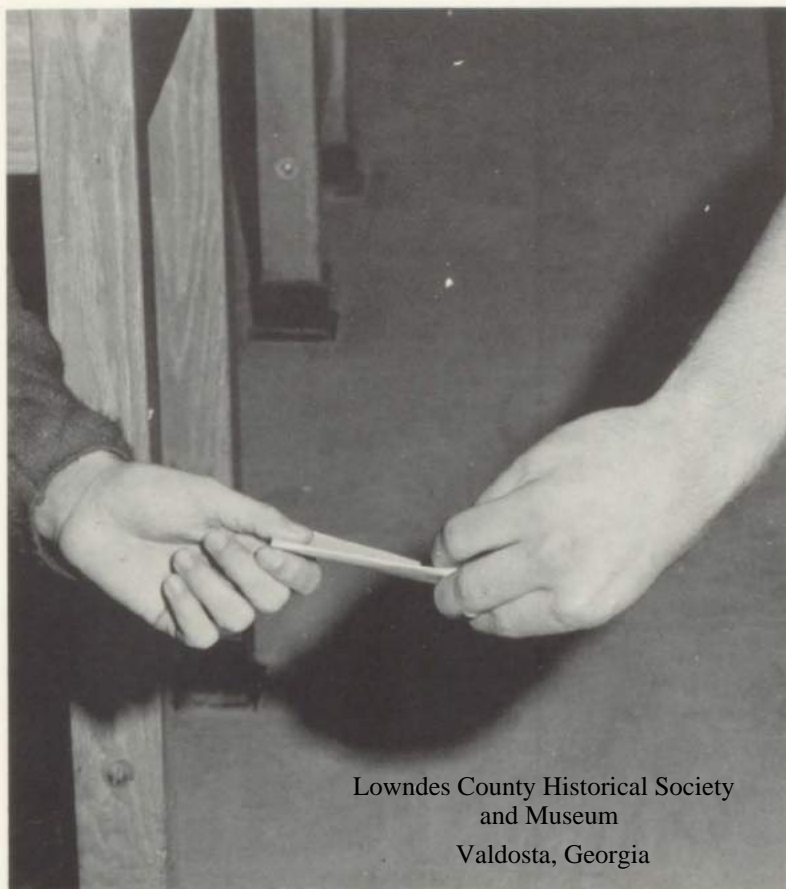
Martha Alice Giddens
Vice-President

Nita Brantley
Secretary

Marsha Nobles
Treasurer



Sophomores Come on Strong in Living Colors



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Sophomores knew they were newcomers but were determined to let juniors and seniors know they were part of the high school scene. They came on strong—like a psychedelic color wheel.

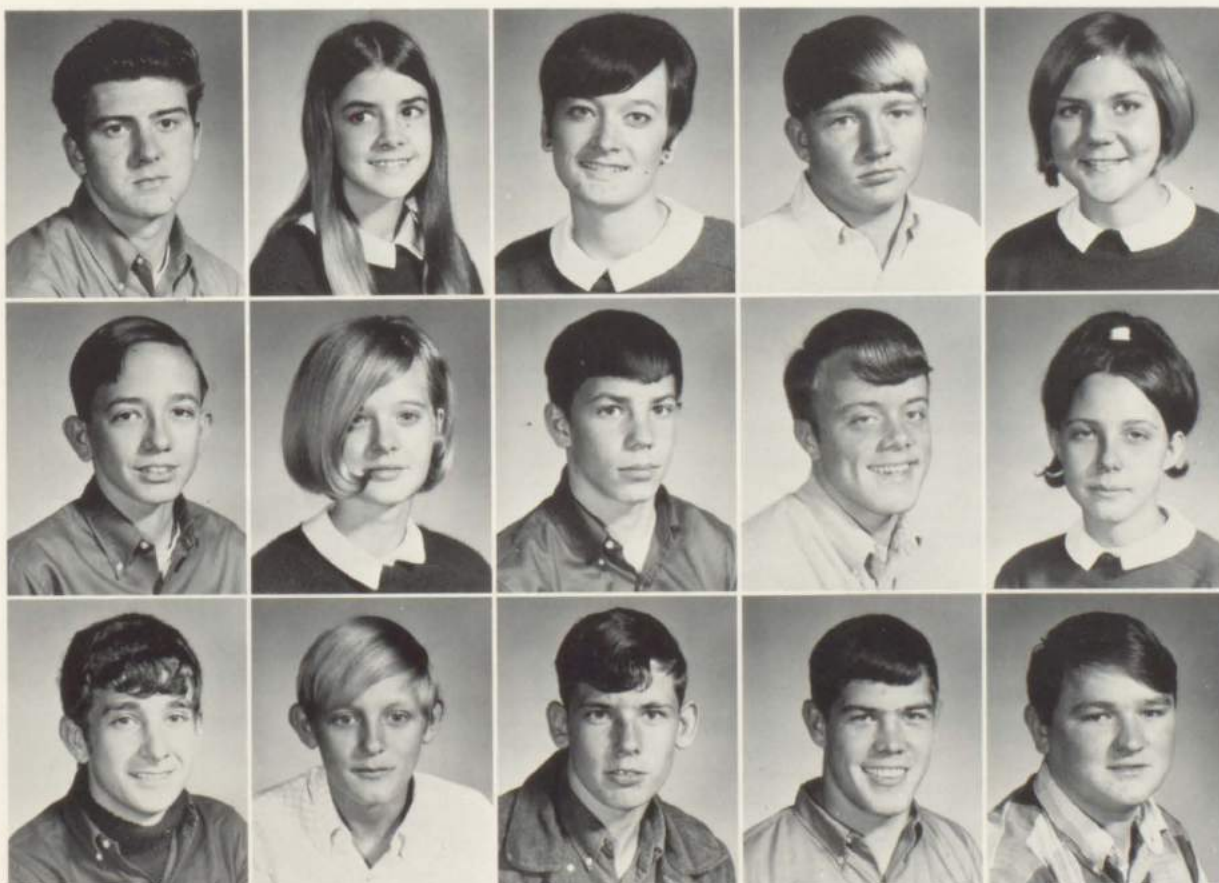
Turing first to schoolwork, they studied new subjects—such as college biology, Latin II, and Spanish. In English II they encountered *Silas Marner* and *Julius Caesar*. Like countless classes before them they bravely orated, "Friends, Romans, and countrymen."

Sophomores excelled scholastically; many kept their position on the honor roll each six weeks.

Extracurricular activities also held their place in the sophomores' busy schedules. Because they knew clubs needed them, they not only joined but also volunteered for many activities of their chosen groups. Many tried out for varsity teams, and in the spring the girls tried out for football cheerleaders.

From their first appearance in Sophomore Spotlight to the last singing of the Alma Mater, the sophomore Class of 1969 was definitely a blaze of color.

To lead them, they chose as officers: Curt Bazemore, president; Martha Alice Giddens, vice-president; Nita Brantley, secretary; and Marsha Nobles, treasurer.



Ronnie Akins
Joy Alderman
Wanda Allison
David Anderson
Emily Applequest

Buck Aultman
Jill Babcock
Mark Baker
Eddie Barham
Jerry Barker

Warren Barker
Charles Barnard
Bruce Barr
Curt Bazemore
Mitchell Becton

Their First Scene

Robert Becton
Pam Bennett
Sherry Bennett
Judi Bernard



Chris Blane
Vallye Blanton
Ronnie Boudin
Terry Bradley



Darrell Branam
Bill Brandon
Nita Brantley
Craig Bretzke



David Briggs
Jim Brown
William Brown
Tim Bruce



Karen Brumbaugh
Dessau Bunn
Annette Burch
Marcia Butler



Danny Bynum
Charlene Calabrese
Ross Caldwell
Steve Callahan

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Brightens Fall Activities



Joe Carter
Maria Castrinos



Bill Chauncey
Bob Christian



Mike Clifton
Eddie Collins



Jerome Collins
Benny Colson



Brenda Colson
Carol Colson



Bob Connell
Toni Coombs

TOP: Dee Dee Durden prepares for her role as a potato head in Sophomore Spotlight. BOTTOM: In the same chapel program, Debbie Manganero rests her feet after her appearance on stage.

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Diane Corns
Cindy Corrales
Mike Cosey



College biology teacher Mrs. Grady Massey explains the intricate design of the atom to John L. Marconi.

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Carol Crook
Jane Daugherty

Andy Crosby
Mike DeCesare

Debbie Crosby
Anne DeGange

John Crump
Wayne DeLoach

Billy Culpepper
Kay Deming

Debbie Daniels
Michelle Dennis



Undaunted by Difficult Subjects, Sophomores Shine in Classroom



Wally Dennis
Yvonne Dennis
Bob Dewar
Beth Dixon



Teresa Dorriety
Michael Downing
Skip Dumas
Verna Jean Duncan



Dee Dee Durden
Delores Edwards
Joyce Edwards
Rick Elzey



Ken Enfinger
Ricky English
Darrell Eubanks
Glenn Evans



Mike Everson
Mike Fambrough
Sally Fender
John Fisher



Morgan Fordham
Anne Franklin
Emily Freeman
Barry Fuller

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Their New-Found Dignity Is



Adolph Gatewood



Martha Alice Giddens



William Girardin



Leigh Greene
Bill Haddock
Eddie Lee Hall
John Hampton
Sharon Harvey
Danny Henry



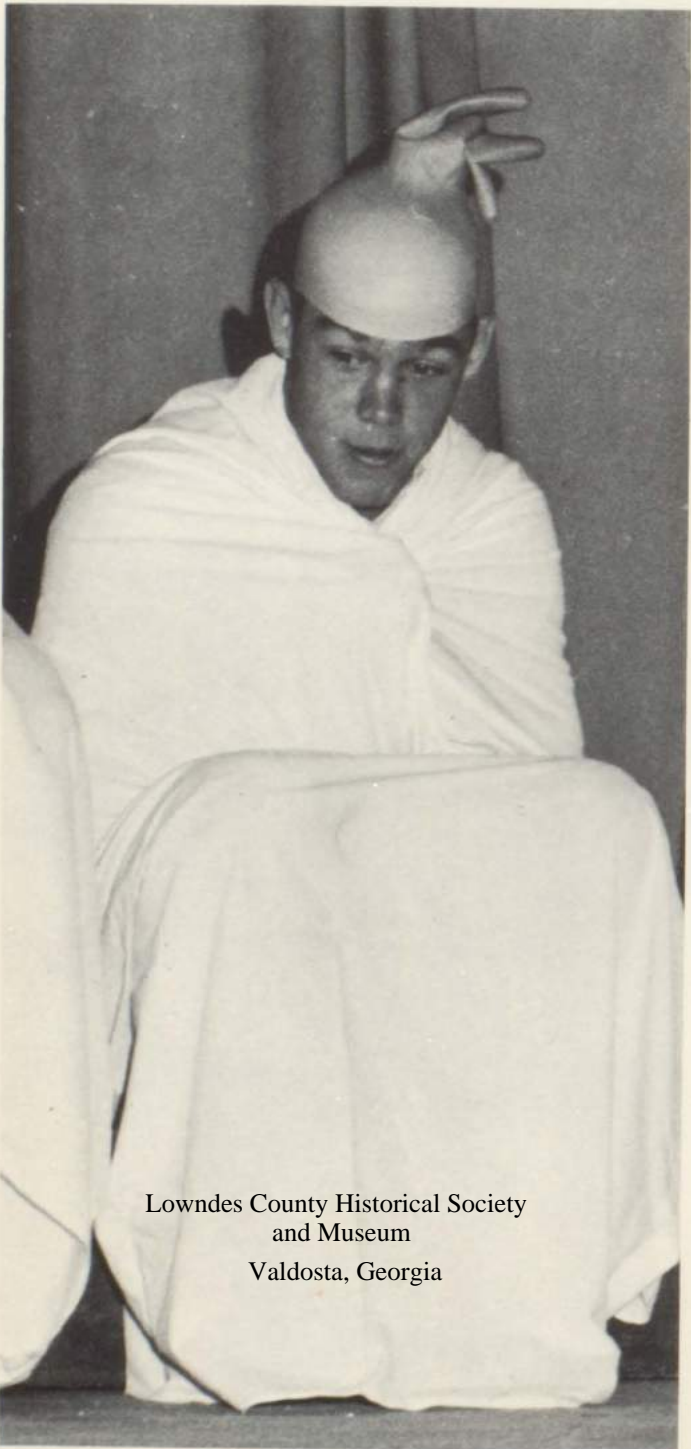
Ricky Griffis
John Haddock
Roy Hall
Hall Harrison
Lizabeth Hattaway
Johnny Herndon



Ray Griner
Milton Haddock
Steve Hattiwanger
Terry Hartley
Ralph Hendry
Ann Hiers



Although not crowing, Curt Bazemore and the other roosters had something to crow about in Homecoming chapel.



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Shed at Right Moments

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Harry Hines
Janice Hingson
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Loud-mouthed sophomores open wide in an attempt to out-yell seniors sitting opposite them.



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Participating in the annual football cheerleader tryouts, Leigh Green and Mariliz Mayo display enthusiasm.

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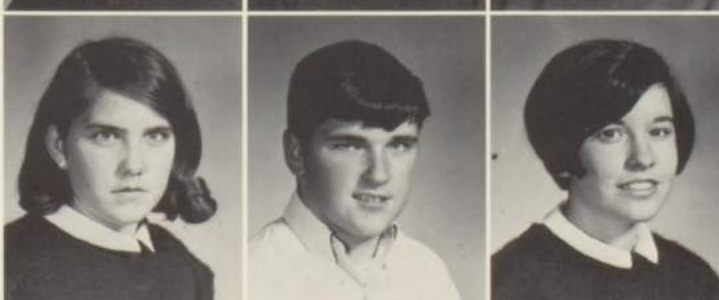
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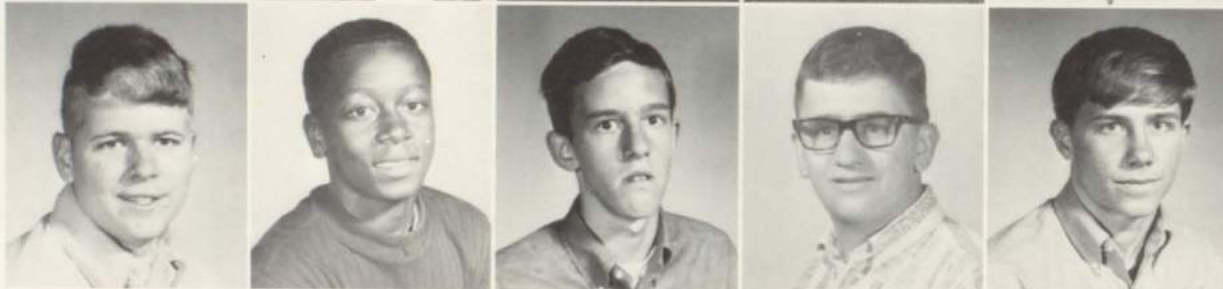
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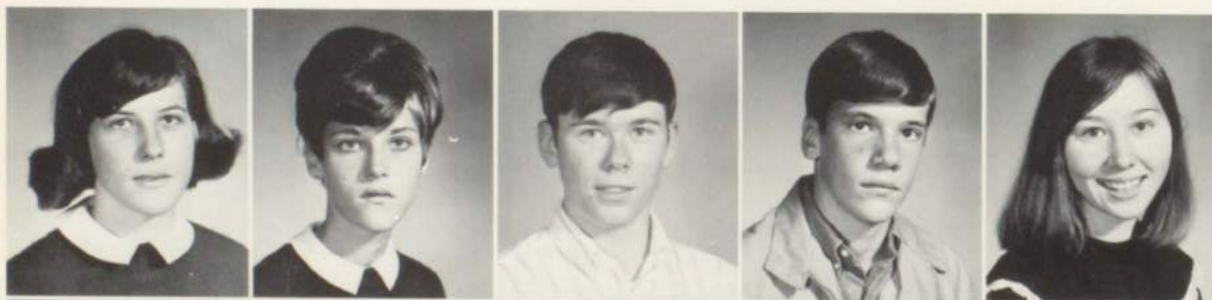


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Tommy Thompson
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Sophomores Beth Dixon and Mary Beth Smith sing "Thoroughly Modern Millie" in the Future Homemakers of America chapel program.



Jerry Williams
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Janice Wilkes

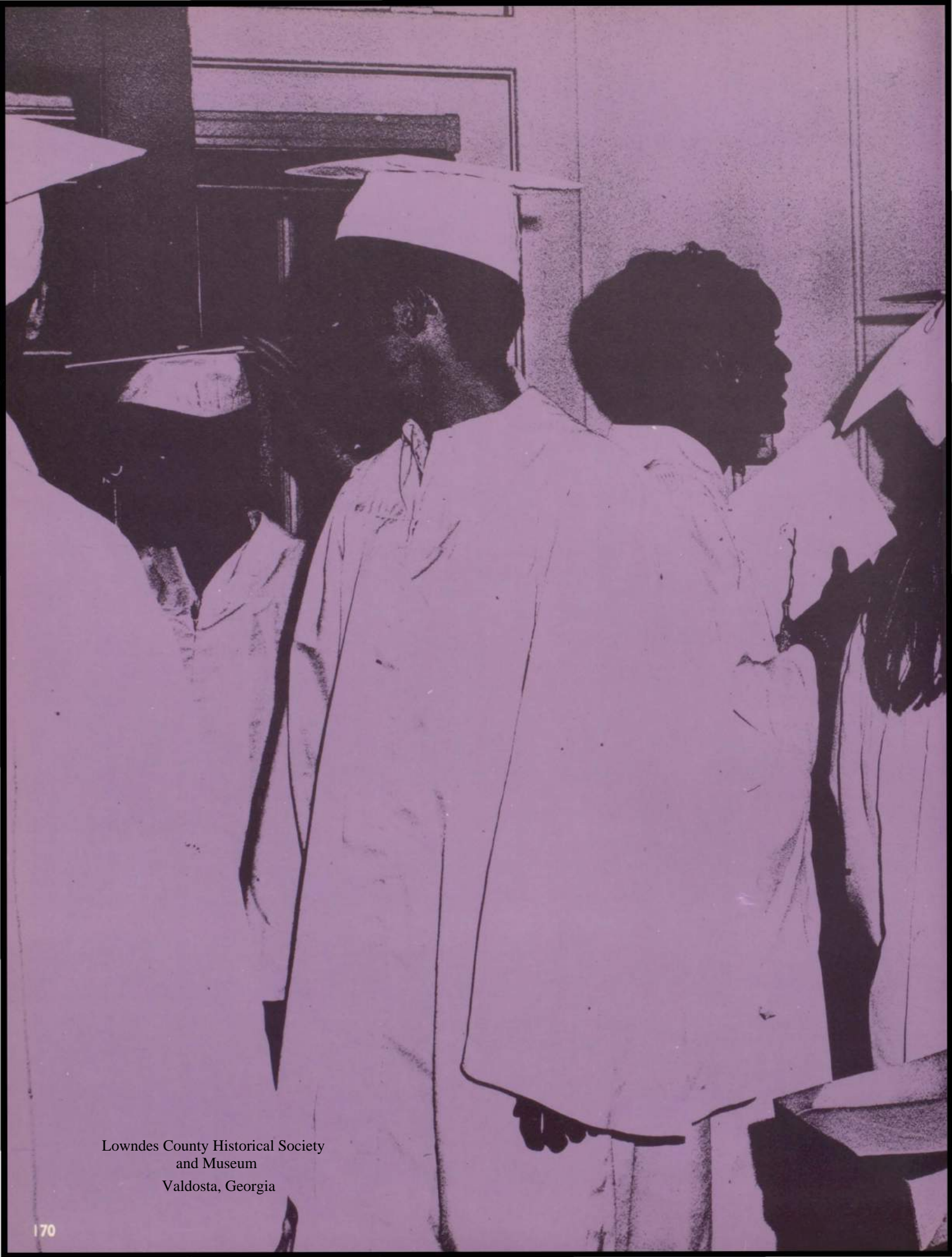
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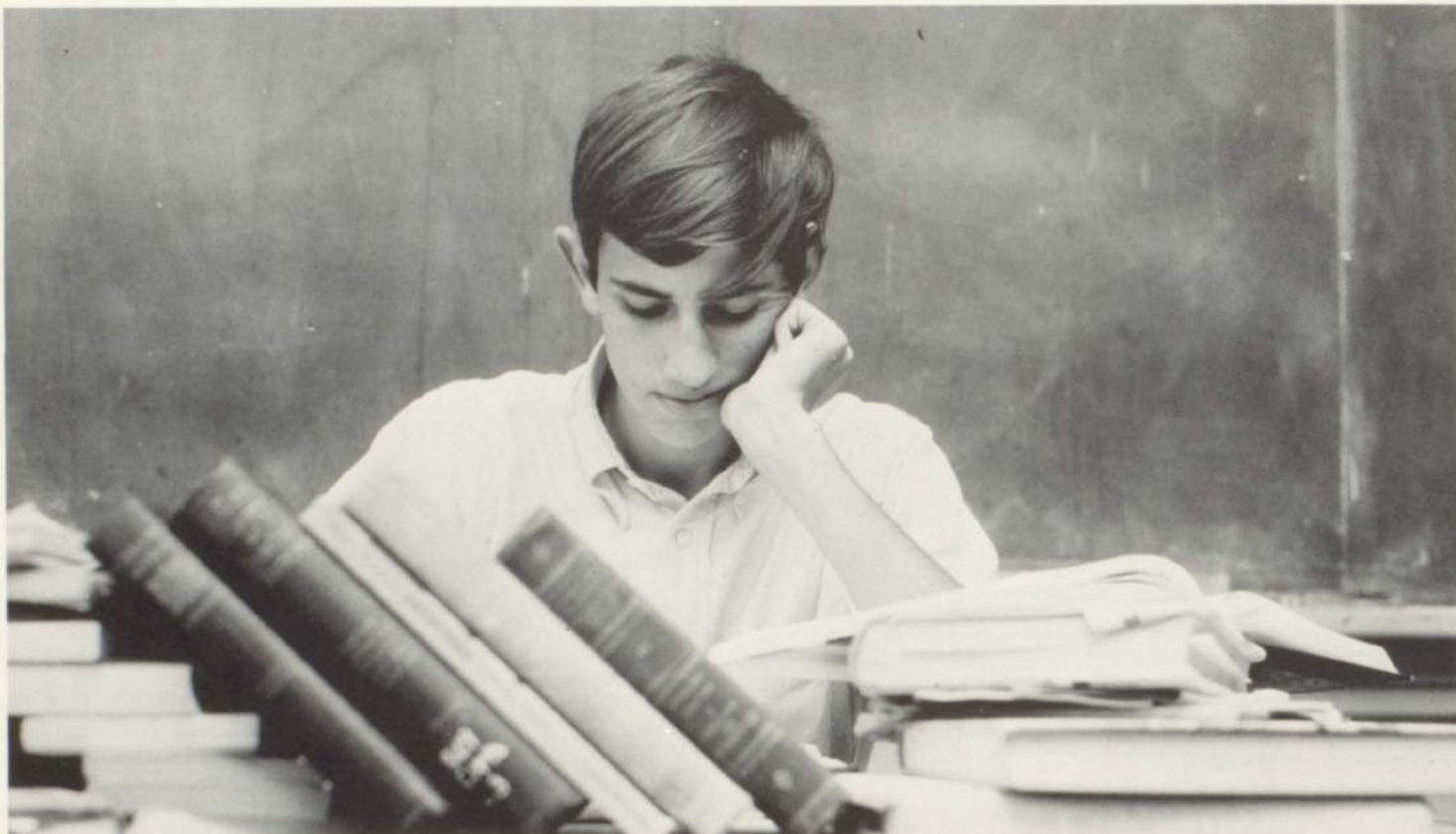
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Students Fill Important Positions: Star, Student,



During their three years in high school, many boys and girls look forward, and even covet three positions: valedictorian, Star Student, and Most Outstanding Student. But only three out of many fine students can fill these places.

King Smith, who took all college preparatory courses, was named valedictorian at the Honors Day ceremonies. While King repeatedly depreciated his achievement, his classmates knew that his average of better than 95 was the result of hard work and self discipline.

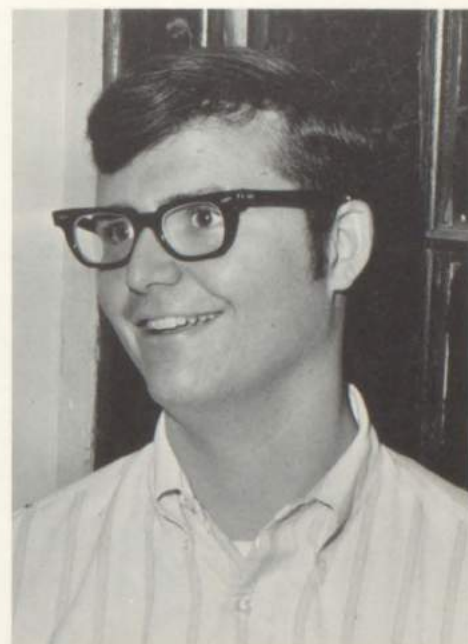
When Gaile Stokes took the Scholastic Aptitude Test in December, she made a score of 1400. Together with her outstanding first semester grades, this score was high enough to win for Gaile the honor of being named Star Student in the contest sponsored statewide by the Kiwanis Clubs.

To be named Most Outstanding Student, a senior does not have to be a quiz kid, but he or she must possess a combination of qualities of leadership and dedication to the school. These are the traits looked for by teachers when they make their choice of superlatives. From this group the top vote getter is named Most Outstanding. Donald Davis, president of the Student Council, and an active member of the Hi-Y Club, was tapped for this honor.



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Valedictorian, Most Outstanding Student



FAR LEFT: Valedictorian, King Smith hits the books to insure his high grade average. ABOVE, LEFT: Valedictorian, King Smith. ABOVE, CENTER: Star Student, Gaile Stokes. ABOVE, RIGHT: Most Outstanding Student, Donald Davis. BOTTOM, LEFT: Star Student, Gaile Stokes, and Star Teacher Mrs. Martha Freeman, admire Gaile's Star Charm. OPPOSITE: Donald Davis whispers to Mr. Green as he receives the scholarship for being Most Outstanding Student.

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Surprise, Relief Typifies Feelings of



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ABOVE: Brenda McLain grins in consternation after receiving the Literary Guild's Most Improved English Student Award from Mrs. Oliver Googe. ABOVE, RIGHT: Girls State winners Nancy Griffin and Bonnie Ashcom give Bruce Fornes, Boys State winner, a swinging time. CENTER: Most Outstanding Future Homemaker at VHS, Gaile Stokes, tastes the beef stew prepared by senior Debbie Senzig, winner of the Betty Crocker Homemaking contest. OPPOSITE: Rod Holland, recipient of the United Nations Award and also a National Merit Scholarship winner, and Ingrid Hall, National Merit Scholarship winner, compare honors. FAR RIGHT: Robbi Blanton, senior editor of the OUTLOOK, grins triumphantly when she learns that the paper has won the DE Best Club of the Year Award.



Honors Day Winners



Honors day could have been considered a spring day for all of the butterflies zooming around in the students' stomachs as they waited tensely to hear the announcement of awards.

As the program wore on, these butterflies were set free with gasps of surprise and sighs of relief. And a tremor of excitement prevailed throughout the program; partially this excitement was generated by the Marchin' Cats who kept the atmosphere vibrant with music.

As always there were preannounced awards. On the agenda of previously announced awards were the Betty Crocker Homemakers Contest Winner, the National Merit Scholarship Winners, and the Girls' State and Boys' State Awards.

Previously announced awards included the D.E. Club of the Year Award, and the Literary Guilds' Most Improved English Student Award.



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Honors came in three main categories on Honors Day: grades, activities, and talent. Whether in the literary meet, in the good citizen competition, in essay competition, or in honors program competition, Valdosta High School's students reaped numerous honors.

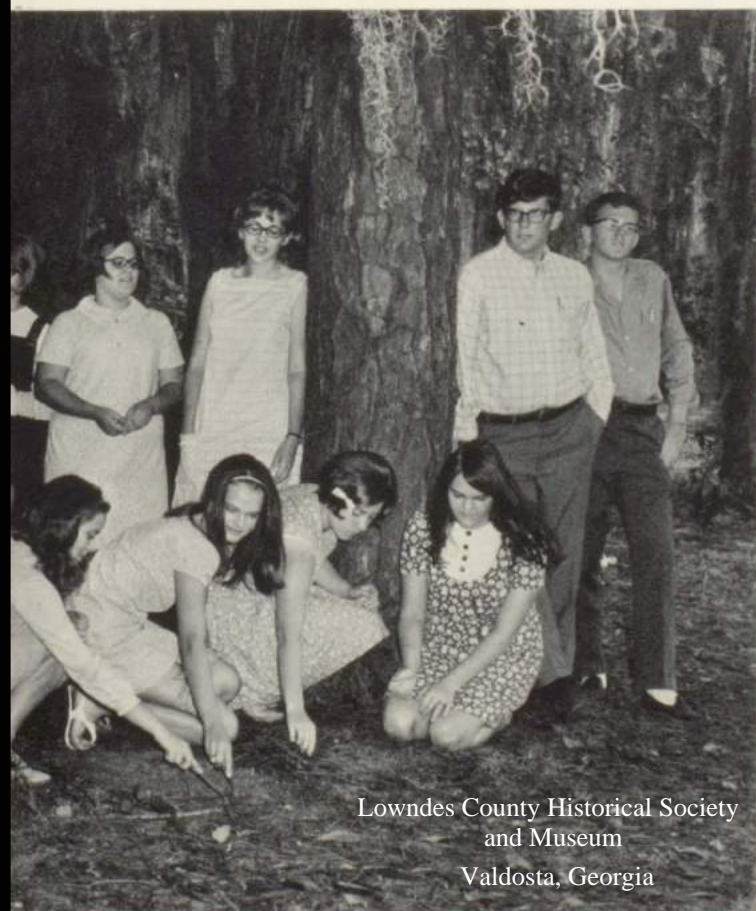
Never before had VHS been honored with so many acceptances to the Eighth District Honors Program held each year at South Georgia College. In addition to students attending this particular program, Sharon Tidwell, junior, was accepted at the Governor's Honors Program held at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia.

Although VHS excelled in the Honors Program area, the situation was slightly different in regard to honor graduates. This year's honor graduate group was the smallest in a number of years.

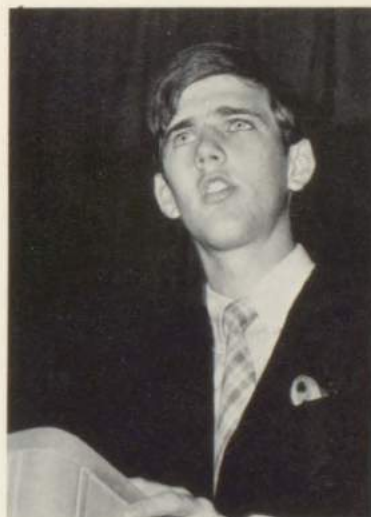


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Talent Reap Awards for Students

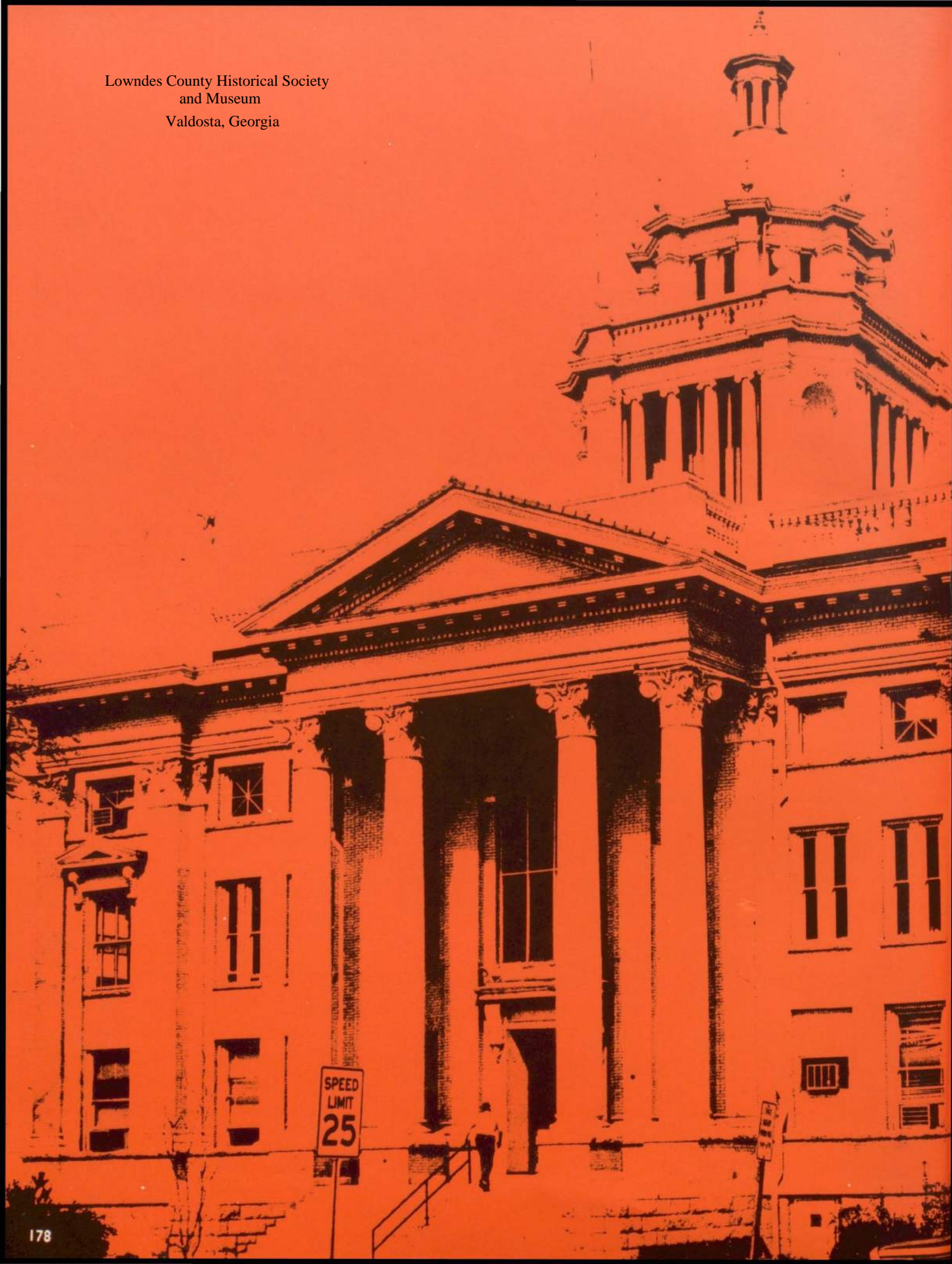


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FAR LEFT: D.A.R. Good Citizen Jan Howell and Elks Club Good Citizen Glen Hatcher raise the flags over VHS. TOP, CENTER: Honor graduates Ingrid Hall, Ricky Keller, Mona Richards, Erin Sherman, Larry Whitten, Mary Riggie, Debbie Maddox, and Lynn Phillips get ready for graduation. TOP, RIGHT: Honor graduates: STANDING, Sally McCoy, Debbie Maddox, Wes Davis, Kathy Adams, Rod Holland, Larry Whitten, Ricky Keller, King Smith, Iris Wiggins, Ingrid Hall, and Erin Sherman. SEATED: Nan Miller, Mona Richards, Mary Riggie, Jan Howell, Gail Stokes, and Lynn Phillips. CENTER: Sophomore and junior English District Honors Program students: STANDING, Glen Holton, Ken Mullis, Skip Dumas, Ken Steele, Freddie Norris, Ginny Price, David Betterbush, Kathy Leischen, Jenny Lloyd, Kynnette Bethea, David Lasseter, and Billy McNeal. SITTING: Sharon Tidwell (Governors Honors student) Scott Bretszke, Robin Moran, Sandra Rowe, Sherrie Holman, Carolyn Arnold, Marsha Nobles, and Debbie Daniels. ABOVE, LEFT: Glen Hatcher, senior, delivers the speech that won third place in the District Literary meet. ABOVE, RIGHT: Sarah Stickley, senior, delivers the speech that won her a fourth place in the same event.

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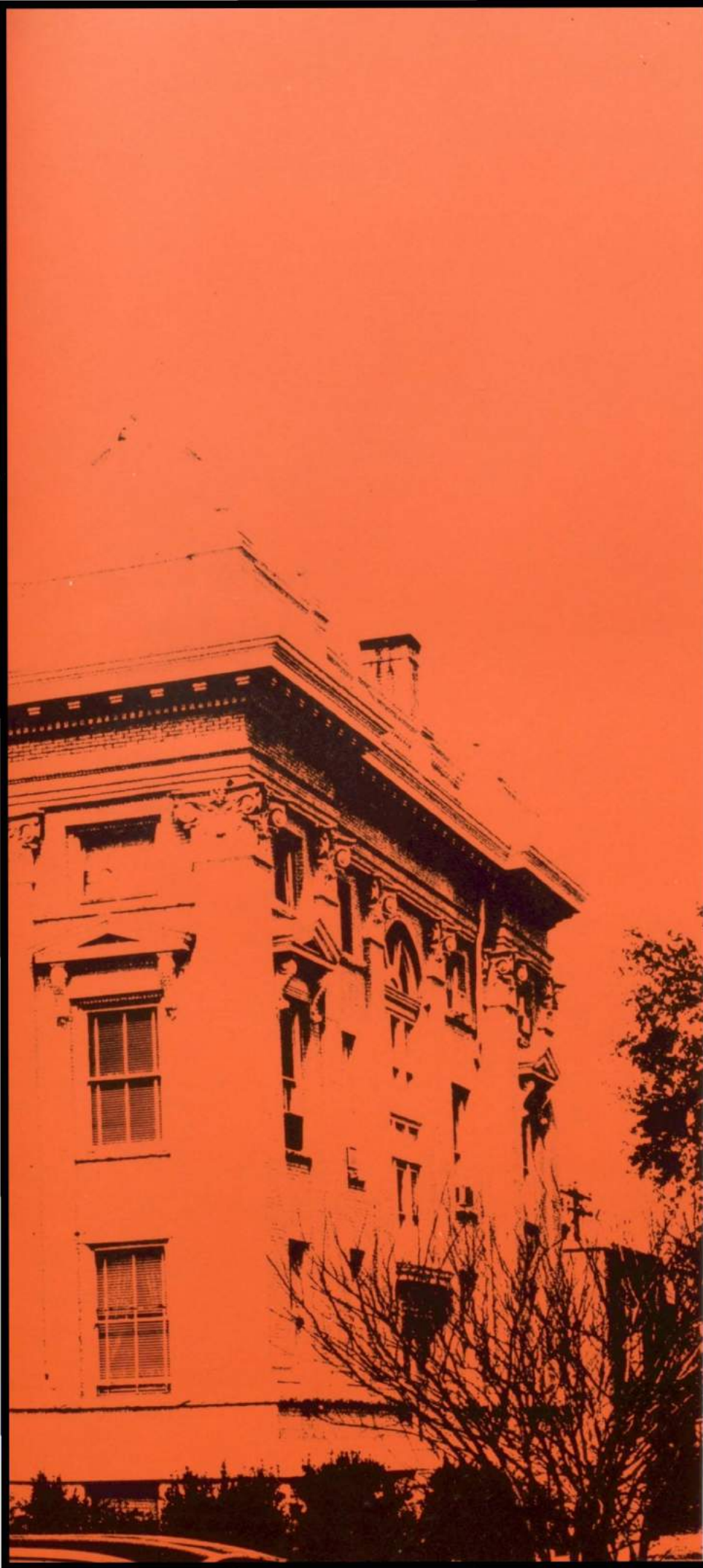
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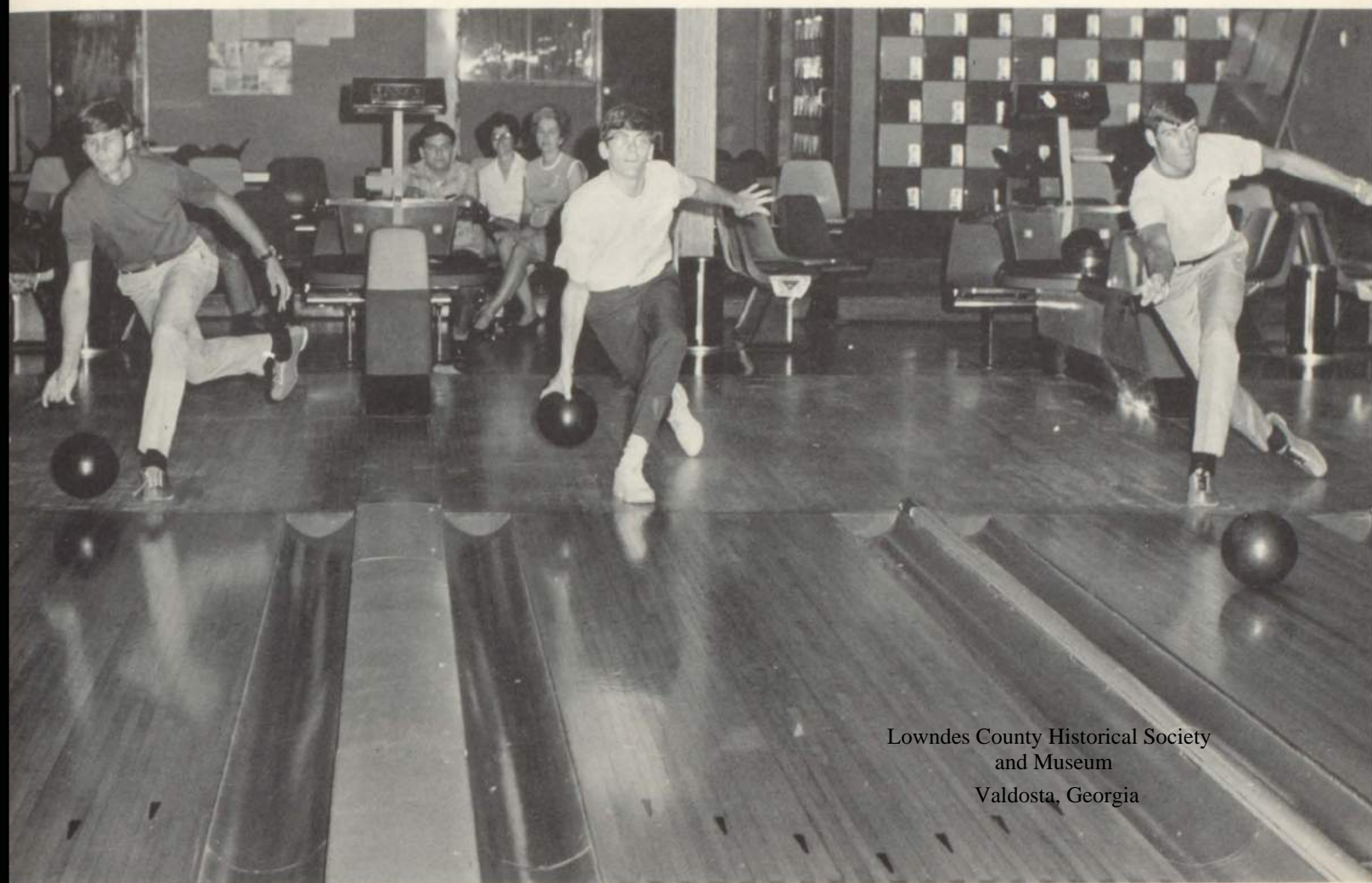
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cluding friends to join them. Two boys' bowling teams from Valdosta led a field of 169 state teams to bring home the championship this year from the Georgia State Championship Tournament held in Savannah. Captained by Terry Bradley, the first place team consisted of bowlers Mike Shearin, Mike Boughton, and Joe Parker. Right behind them were Billy Carmichael, Mickey Lagioia, James Johnson, and Benny Smith.

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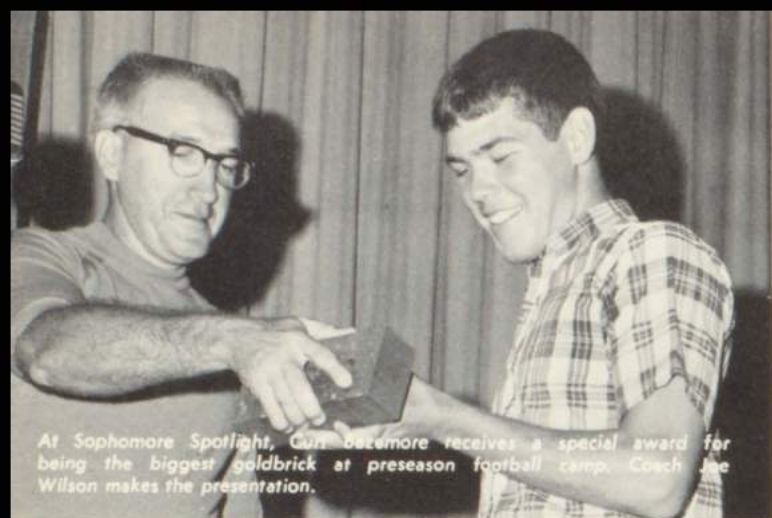
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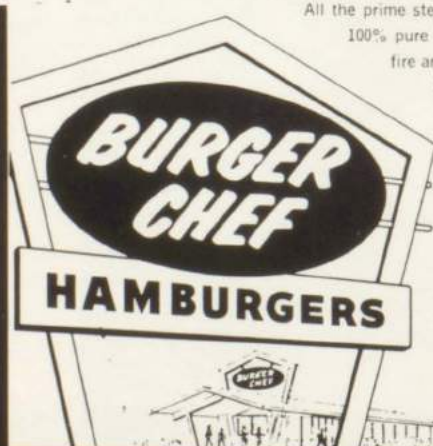
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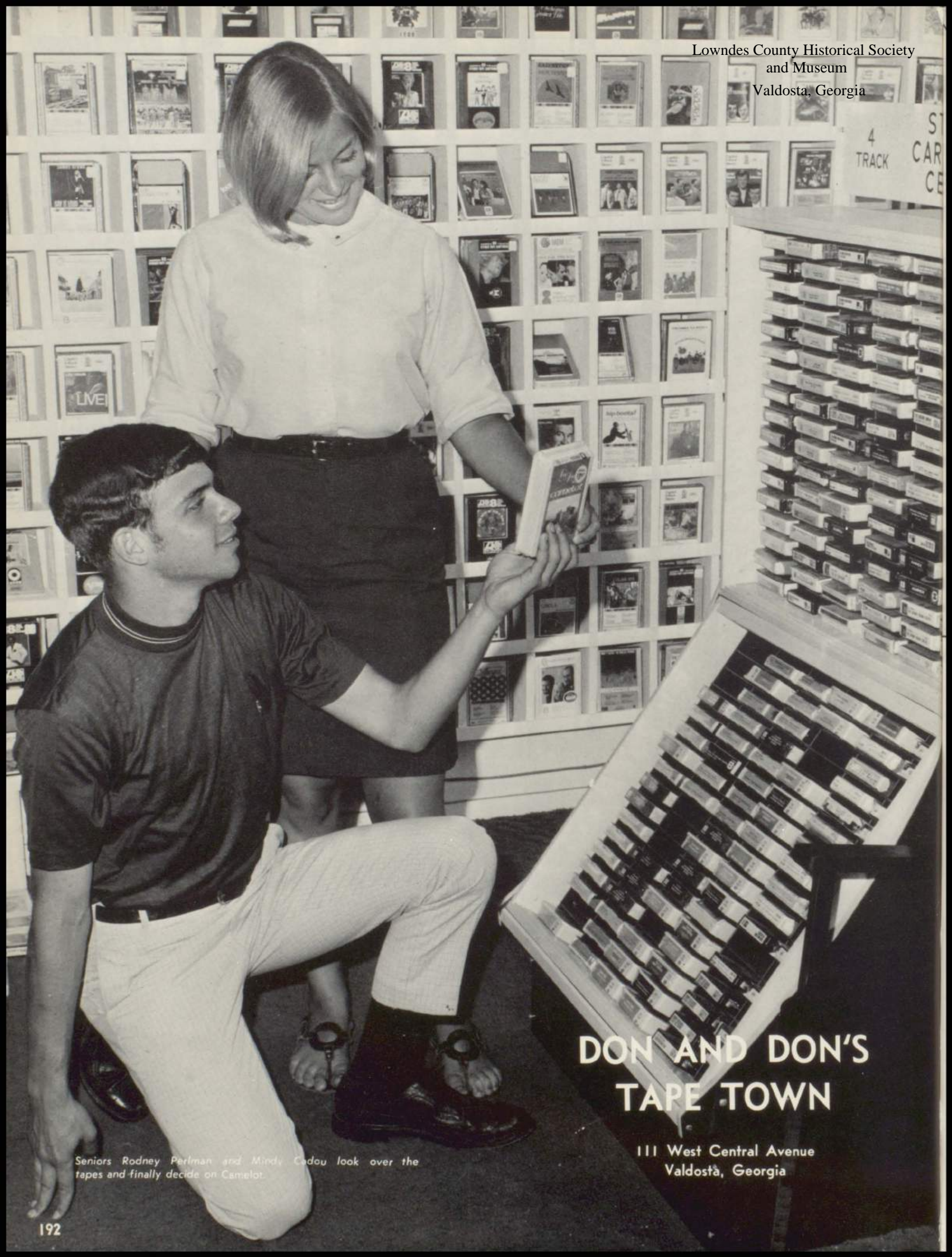
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But more than the buying of groceries contributed to the unqualified success of the lunchroom. Under Mrs. Snyder's direction the lunchroom also took on a bright appearance. Walls were painted, floors waxed, and during the holiday seasons colorful decorations appeared.

Also significant were the efforts of the lunchroom staff to provide varying menus and good food. These efforts did not go unrewarded, for seventy-seven per cent of the students—more than ever before—bought school lunches.



TOP RIGHT: Mabel Davis, Conselo Orr, and Louvenia Thompson put away clean utensils in preparation for the next day's meal. BELOW: Ruby Roberts greases a pan for cinnamon buns, while Mabel Davis and Dorothy Clark cook. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mrs. Pierce Snyder spends much of her time in her office planning menus.



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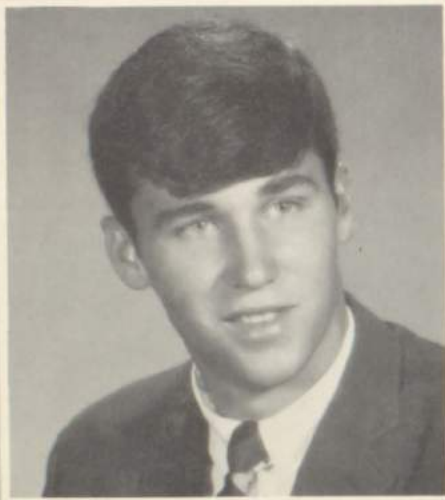
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Jerry Carter
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Ronald Strobo
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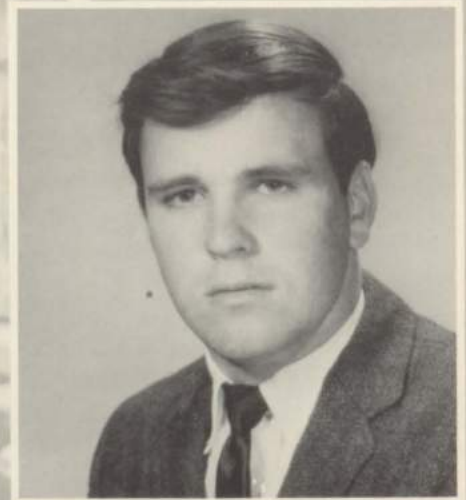
Harley Winter
Graduated: 1966
Died: January 4, 1969



Tex Mullis
Graduated: 1966
Died: November 2, 1968



Ken Webb
Graduated: 1966
Died: March 8, 1969



William Shakespeare philosophized that all the world is a stage and the people in it are merely actors. Remembering that Shakespeare used five acts in all his plays, one might divide the play of life in this manner: the time from birth until school age, Act one; elementary school, Act two; junior high and senior high school, Acts Three and Four. And adulthood would comprise the fifth act.

Unfortunately, sometimes the curtain falls on the play of life before it has run its full course. For five recent Valdosta High graduates the play of life ended abruptly during the first scene of the fifth act. Automobile accidents claimed the lives of Harley Winter and Jerry Carter. Harley died on January 4, 1969, near the I-75 interchange when he collided with a truck. Jerry was killed in Atlanta in a mid-town crash on September 4, 1968.

Military duty lowered the curtain on the lives of Ronald Strobo, Tex Mullis, and Ken Webb, who died while serving in Vietnam.

Ronald was in the army. Tex, who was a P.F.C. of the First Division of the Marines, was killed at Hon, South Vietnam, on November 2, 1968. Ken was also in the army. He was killed in Chu Tai on March 8, 1969.



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Wearing black and white to exemplify the two values necessary for producing a photograph, and varied styles to depict the range of subjects that may be caught by a camera, SANDSPUR staffers pose on the steps of the new Federal Building and Post Office with Mr. Larry Book-

man. Joann Beggs, Esther Paine, Debbie Maddox, Kay Black, Richard Cowart, Erin Sherman, David Fender, Barbara Bowers—STANDING—and Joy Parrish and Ingrid Hall—SITTING—heed Mr. Bookman's plea to look up and smile.

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JACK BERRY — Baseball 3, 4.

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DEBBI CAIN — Latin Club 2; Pep Club 2; Band 3, 4, flag corps 4.

TOMMY CATO — Hi-Y 3, 4.

MICHAEL CHIANG — First place Math test.

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PATRICIA CHRISTIE

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GAIL CONNELL — Latin Club 2.

CYNTHIA COPELAND — DE Club 4.

STAN COPPAGE — V Club 2, 3; Key Club 3, 4; baseball 2; football 2, 3, 4.

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PEGGY COX — Latin Club 2.

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JANA DAVIS — FHA 2; FTA 2, 3, 4; secretary-treasurer 3, president 4; FTA Scholarship.

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TONY DEGANGE — Spanish Club 2; DCT Club 3, 4.

FRANK DEMING — Key Club 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 4; V Club 2, 3, 4; football 2, 3, 4, Most Valuable Player 3, 4, captain 4, honorable mention 4; basketball 2, 3, 4, Most Valuable Player

junior varsity 2, Most Outstanding 4; baseball 3, 4; track 2.

BOBBY DENNIS

JERRY DENNIS — baseball 2, 3, 4; V Club 2, 3, 4; Homecoming court 3, 4; Key Club 4.

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CLAUDINE ELLARD — FHA 2; Pep Club 2.

HARRY EVANS — Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Key Club 3, 4; Latin Club 2.

MIKE FLAIL — V Club 3, 4; football 3, 4, Honorable Mention AAA All-Star 4, Sportsmanship Award 4; track 4.

DIANE EYNOM — GAA 2; American Legion School Award 2.

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CALVIN FULLER — band 2, 3, 4.

ANNIE RUTH GARLAND

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LARRY HOWELL — Football 2, 3, 4; V Club 3, 4; Best Running Back 4; Track 2, 3.

SANDRA HUBBLE — FHA 2; Pep Club 3, 4.

BARBARA HUGHES — FHA 2, 3; Pep Club 2, 3, 4.

JUDY HUNT — Student Council 3, 4, chaplain 4; Key Club Sweetheart 4; DE Club 4; Girl of the Year local, district and state 4; OUTLOOK staff, reporter 3; Pep Club 2, 3.

TERRY HUNT — senior class play understudy.

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JIMMY JETER — DE Club 3, 4, sergeant-at-arms 4.

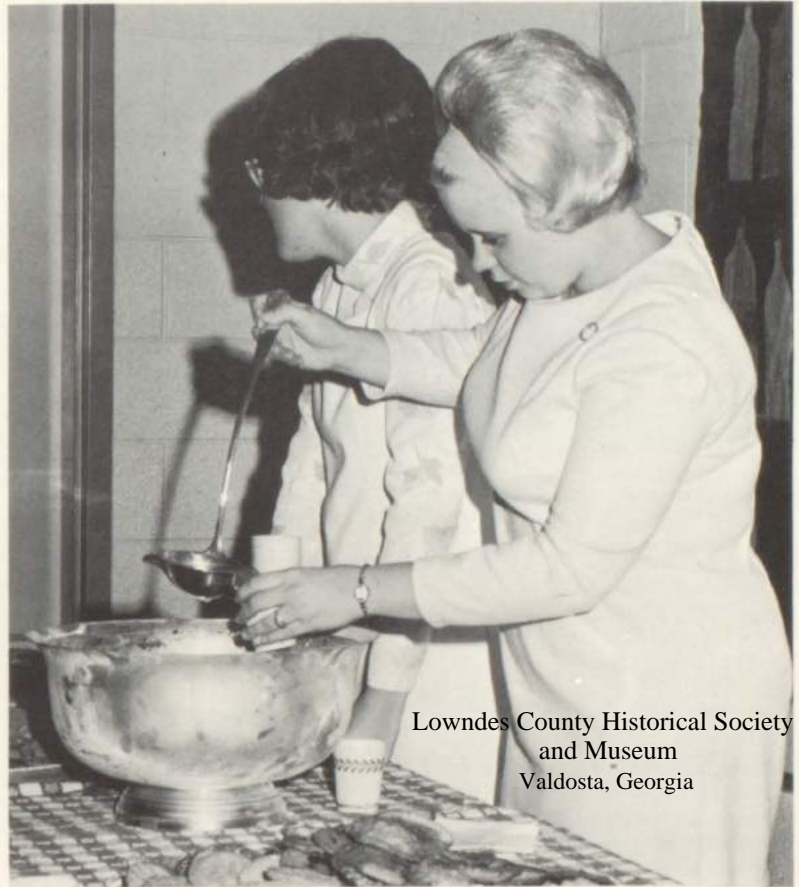
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JENNY JOHNSON — Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4, community project chairman 4; Latin Club 2; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; OUTLOOK staff, business manager.

WALTER JONES — football 2, 3, 4; V Club 2, 3, 4; Track 3; baseball 4.

ANGIE KALIL — Tri-Hi-Y 2; FTA 4; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; FHA 2.

SUE KALIL — Latin Club 2; DCT Club 4, reporter; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; FTA 2.



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LIZ JACKSON — Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; senior class play understudy.

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RAY KNIGHTON — DE Club 3, 4; W. E. Glenn Award 4.

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JUDY LANDEY — French Club 3; Latin Club 2; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; president 4; cheerleader 4, captain; OUTLOOK staff reporter.

MARGARET E. LANGDALE — DCT 2, 3.

SUSAN LAZARUS — Spanish Club 2; FTA 3, DCT 4; OUTLOOK staff reporter.

KAY LEWIS — DE Club 4.

JIM LLOYD — football 2, 3, 4; football 2, 3, 4.

BENNETT LUKE — V Club 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3.

DEBBIE MADDOX — Latin Club 2; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; SANDSPUR staff 4, club editor; Miss Flame 4; VHS Beauty Contest, top ten, 3; GAA 2.

EMILY MARSHALL — band 2, 3, 4; chorus 4; FHA 2; French Club 3.

PAULA MASDEN — Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; FHA 2, 3; Pep Club 3, 4.

DEBBIE MATHIS — FTA 4; chorus 4.

SALLY McCOY — Student Council 3, 4; treasurer 3; Latin Club 2, president; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3; projects chairman 3; fourth place Alice Bingle Essay Contest 4; honor graduate.

DONALD McCRARY — DE 3, 4.

SISSIE McCRARY — cheerleader 3, 4; senior class officer, vice-president, homeroom representative 2, 3; Leadership Conference 3; GAA 2; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; track team scorekeeper; French Club 3; Tri-Hi-Y 2.

DEBBIE HOLCOMB McDONALD — Latin Club 2; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; DE Club 4, treasurer; FHA 2.

JEFF McDONALD — French Club 2; DCT 3, 4.

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RICHARD MOORE — football 2; Golf 4; Key Club 4; Hi-Y 4.

DOUGLAS MURAJDA — track 3; football 4.

KEITH MORAN — band 2, 3, 4, vice-president 3, drum major 4; lab assistant 3, 4.

JAY MULLIS — Latin Club 2; DE 3, 4; Pep Club 4.

CHERYL NOLES — Tri-Hi-Y 2; Pep Club 2, 3.

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JIMMY LOWELL NORRIS

SHERRY OLSON

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RODNEY PERLMAN — Spanish Club 2; Pep Club 4; Mr. Spirit.

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JAN PHILLIPS — Pep Club 2; FHA 2; Tri-Hi-Y 2; DCT 3, 4; vice-president 3; secretary 4.

JAN PHILLIPS — Pep Club 2; FHA 2; Tri-Hi-Y 2; DCT 3, 4; vice-president 3; Secretary 4.

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RICKY PHILLIPS — DE 3, 4.

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RONNIE PITCOCK — football 2, 3, 4, captain 4, Honorable Mention All-State Football 4,

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BRUCE POWERS

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JOE ROGERS

JUDY ROGERS — Pep Club 2, 4; FHA 2, 4.

MARY LOU ROGERS — FHA 2; FTA 3, 4; social chairman 4.

WILLIAM H. ROYAL

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CHARLES A. SAMUELS — Hi-Y 2; band 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3; track 3.

SUSAN SCRUGGS — Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2; FHA 4; MISS SPIRIT 3; Wildcat 4; basketball cheerleader 3, 4; basketball team 2.

RODDY F. SCRUGGS — band 4; football 2.

FRAN SELPH — Pep Club 2, 4; DE Club 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2; Spanish Club 2.

JOHN PHILLIP SELPH — band 2, 3; DE 3, 4.

DEBORAH ANNE SENZIG — FHA 2, 3, vice-president 3; FTA 3, vice-president 3; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; DE Club 4; senior class Play, props co-chairman; National Merit 2; Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow 4; District Champion of Business Vocabulary and Spelling 4; Junior Degree FHA 2.

ERIN SHERMAN — Beta Club 2, 3; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4, vice-president 3, president 4; SANDSPUR staff 4, editor; French Club 2; top ten in Beauty Contest 3, 4; Eighth District Honors Program 3; honor graduate; lab assistant 3; Senior Superlative; Latin Club 2, program chairman.

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RALPH STARLING — baseball 3; Honorable Mention.

MARK STARLING — track 3, 4.

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TANYA WEBB — DE Club 3, 4; Pep Club 4; first runner-up in Miss VHS Beauty contest 4.

JUDY WEEKS — Latin Club 2; Class officer 3, secretary; football cheerleader 4; DE Club 4, winner interview contest; Pep Club 2, 3, 4.

DON WELDON — DE Club 3, 4.

JACKIE WELDON — library 4; chorus 2, 4.

LARRY WHITTEN — Eighth District Honors Program 2, 3; Hi-Y 3, 4; treasurer 4; Latin Club 2; National Merit Letter of commendation 4.

IRIS WIGGINS — Office assistant 2, 3, 4; honor graduate; Chorus 3, 4.

JANICE WILKES — Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3; Pep Club 4.

BRIAN WILLIAMS — Spanish Club 2.

GLENN WILLIAMS — V Club 2, 3, 4; football 2, 3, 4, captain 4, All-State, All-Southern, All-American.

MARGARET WILLIAMS — Pep Club 2, 3, 4; French Club 2, 3; DE Club 4; Sweetheart 4.

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BILLY YEOMANS — DCT 3, 4, parliamentarian 4; Industrial Arts Club 2; parliamentarian; Pep Club 2, 3.

BECKY ZIPPERER — Tri-Hi-Y 2; FHA 4; Pep Club 4.

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Honor Yearbook of Bands; Phi Mu Alpha, National Honorary Music Fraternity; member of National Band Association. Years' experience: 9.

MRS. CLYDE CONNELL — A.B., Valdosta State College, English and French. Other colleges attended: Mercer University, University of Georgia, Vanderbilt University. Teaches: French I and French II. Previous schools: Echols County High, Hahira High, Naylor High, Athens High. Years' experience: 22.

JAMES COPELAND — A.B., Valdosta State College, history and English. Other colleges attended: Emory Junior College, Georgia Southern. Teaches: United States history, and speech. Honors: commencement speaker, 1965; Junior-Senior Banquet speaker; 1967; annual

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PEGGY EDWARDS — B.A., Auburn University, Spanish. Teaches: Spanish I. Honors: Owens Sophomore Society, Who's Who in American Colleges and University. Years' experience: 1.

MIKE FLETCHER — B.S., Valdosta State College, business administration. Teaches: geometry, and general math. Sponsors: Hi-Y. Years' experience: 2.

MISS MARGUERITE FORD — A.B., Georgia State Womens College, education. Other colleges attended: Emory University, University of Georgia. Guidance counselor. Previous schools: Waycross High, Albany High. Honors: Star Teacher, 1961; Who's Who in American

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Women; Who's Who in the South and Southeast; Honorary Life Member of Georgia Association of DE Clubs of America. Years' experience: 39.

MRS. JAMES FOSTER — B.S., Albany State College, education; M.S., Atlanta University, library science. Other colleges attended: University of Georgia. Librarian. Previous schools: Cook County Training School, Adel, Georgia. Years' experience: 9.

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CHARLES GREENE — M.Ed., Georgia Southern College, social science, B.S., Valdosta State College, education. Teaches: world history, government. Honors: Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities; vice-president, The fraternity, vice-president, VSC student government; president, letterman's Club. Years' experience: 7.

CHARLES H. GREEN — B.A., Piedmont College, English; M.Ed., University of Georgia, education. Other colleges attended: Florida State University. Principal. Previous schools: Habersham County High, Thomasville High. Years' experience: 12.

NORMAN GREEN — B.S., Valdosta State College, business administration. Other colleges attended: University of Georgia. Teaches: distributive education. Honors: Honorary Life Member of Valdosta DE Club, National DE Hall of Fame. Sponsors: DE Club. Years' experience: 1.

MRS. H. A. HAMILL — A.B., Tift College, social studies. Other colleges attended: Georgia State University, University of Georgia, Florida State University. Teaches: English II, Bible. Previous schools: Jesup High, Greensboro High, Cascade Heights, Atlanta; Valdosta Junior High. Sponsors: FTA. Years' experience: 18.

MRS. NELSON HITCHCOCK — B.M., Stetson University, organ. Other colleges attended: Indiana University. Teaches: choral music. Previous schools: Waycross High. Honors: President of Valdosta Little Theater. Years' experience: 2.

MRS. BILL HOLT — B.A.E., University of Florida, social studies, education. Other colleges attended: Shorter College. Teaches: United States history. Previous schools: Valdosta Junior High, Lowndes High. Years' experience: 2.

J. P. HORN — B.S., Troy University, social studies; M.S., Auburn University, school administration. Other colleges attended: University of Georgia. Teaches: DCT. Sponsors: DCT Club. Years' experience: 19.

MRS. TERESA JOHNSON — B.S., Valdosta State College, math. Teaches: Algebra I, geometry. Previous schools: Valdosta Junior High. Years' experience: 2.

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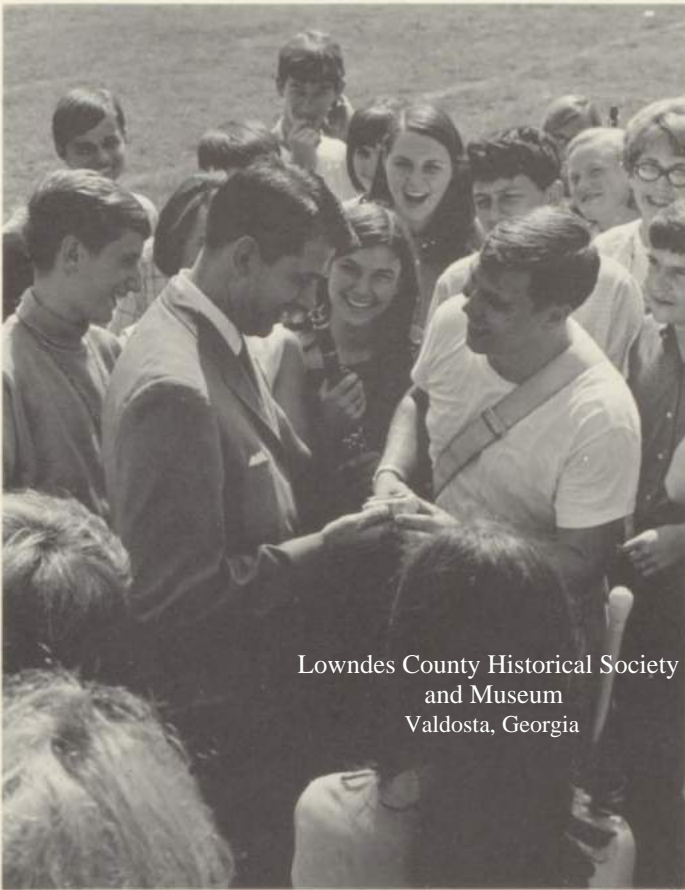
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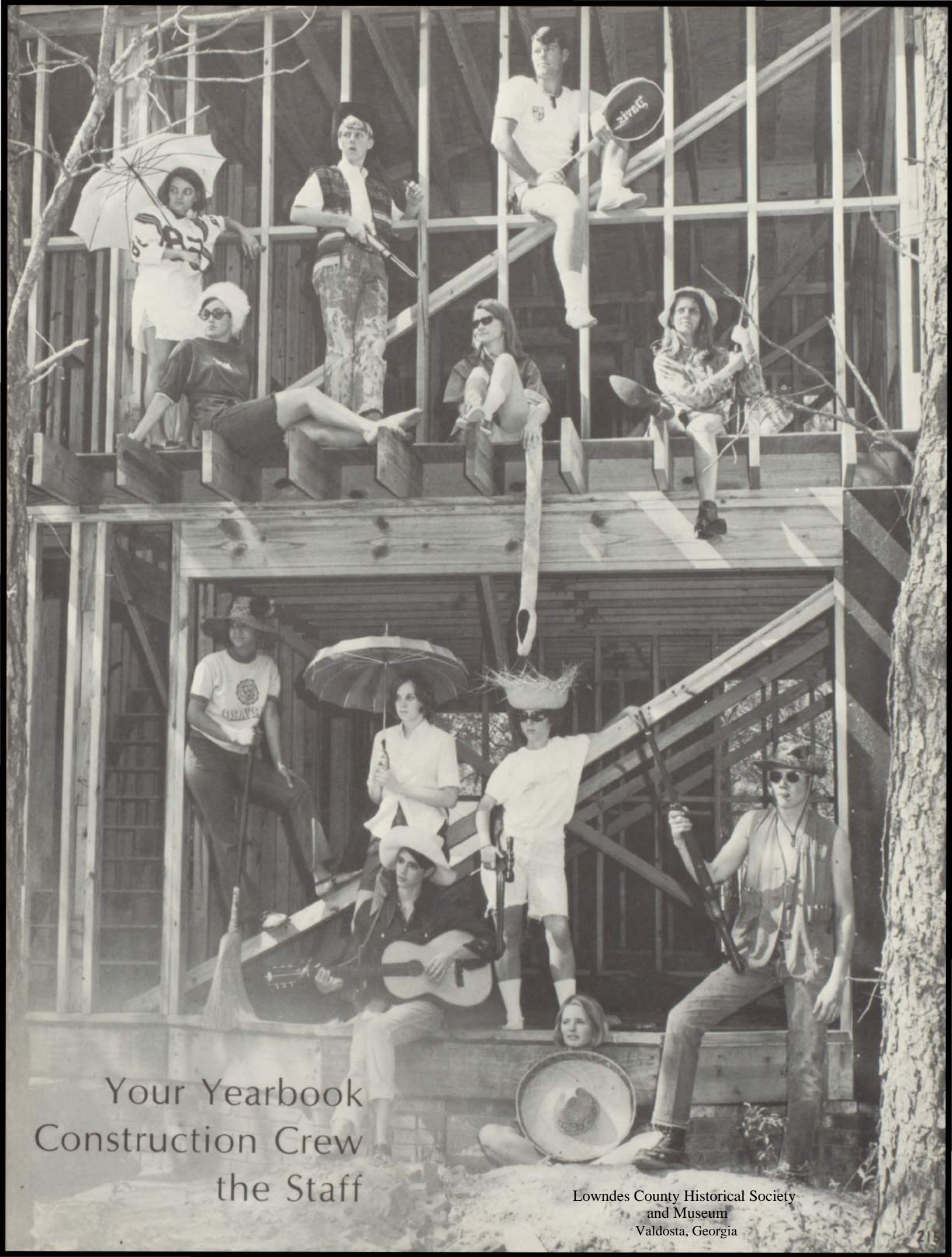
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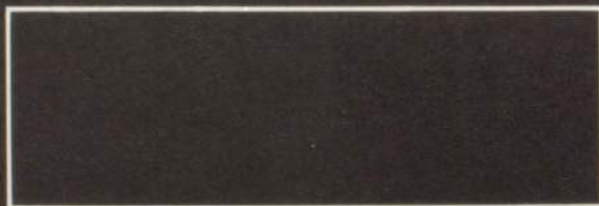
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