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1981 Totem Pole Dedicated
to Mr. Don Craven

The 1980-81 Totem Pole has been dedicated to Mr. Don Craven, American History and American Government teacher at Bonner Springs High School.

Mr. Craven came to Bonner High in the 1969-70 school year after serving 26 years in the Armed Forces. His first ten years were with the United States Air Corps and the final 16 years with the Strategic Air Command. He has traveled to every continent on the planet except Australia and South America. He has also served in Korea and Vietnam. He retired from the Armed Forces with the rank of Major.

Something unusual: a big smile on Mr. Craven’s face.

What evil thoughts lurk behind that mild-mannered face?

A more normal expression.

Mr. Craven scratching his back against the wall in Mrs. Wind’s room.
A Seasoned Man

What a profile!

Busy at work trying to keep busy.

Mr. Craven attended the Kansas City Junior College and the New York University at Plattsburg, New York. Prior to coming to Bonner, he renewed his credits at the University of Kansas.

Presently, Mr. Craven teaches American History, Government, and Social Science Survey. He has also taught Sociology and Ethnic Studies. He is well known as the Student Council sponsor.

That characteristic dumbfounded glare.

Tammy Stude tries to ignore Mr. Craven.
Seniors

on

Stage
We Are Sexy, We Are Fun, We Are the Class of '81!

Senior Class Officers: Nikki Stine, President, Laura Goble, Vice-President, DaJuana Quillen, Secretary, and Janice Burris, Treasurer.

The Class of '81: classy, competitive, healthy, ambitious, daring, audacious, anxious, adventurous, sophisticated, intelligent, dextrous, expedient, versatile, reliable, honorable, courageous, dependable, cooperative, dedicated, courteous, beautiful and handsome... today's stars, tomorrow's leaders.
Mark Cozine
Steve Sill stands in front of his favorite Monte Carlo.

Leslie Anne Davis
Peggy DeFries
Darla Lynne DeGroot
Edward DeLeon
Carole McGraw stands in front of the entire student body and confesses.
"When you got it, flaunt it."

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Diana Tyler leads the cheerleaders with a one...two...three...four.
These are urban cowboys???

Jim Martin

Susan Matus

Carol McGraw

JoAnn McNealy

Paul Meier

Ann Middleton

Roche McClelland

Frank McConnaughey

Rose McCurdy

Doug McGough
Wayne Roland, Jim Martin and Tillie Burns are weighing in... the newspapers.
Brad Bond climbs a goalpost to tell the world he is a senior.
Melody Smith tells Oscar the Grouch to move over.

Sandy Riemer...just clowning around.
A Sign and a Spirit that could have been on "That's Incredible."
Classy Cars of BSHS

One of the favorite features of the school year was "The Car" regularly featured in the Pow Wow. Cars pictured here are owned, counterclockwise from top left, by: Twen Hurley, 1977 Monte Carlo; Troy Brady, 1974 CJ5 Jeep; Steve Sill, 1978 Monte Carlo; Terry Fraker, 1977 Sky Bird Firebird; Charlie Bradshaw, 1970 Cutlass W-31; Leslie Forbach, 1972 Chevy van.
Scattered Pictures of the Smiles We Left Behind
Smiles We Gave to One Another... The Way We Were
Senior Superstars

Most Spirited: Mel Boswell and Janie Ochoa.

Most Popular: Laura Goble and Brad Bond.

Most Talented: Susan Leininger and John Colgan.

Friendliest: Sandy Riemer and Jim Martin.

Best Dressed: Twila Scott and Shane Creason.

Perkins Hardware congratulates the Class of '81.
Above: Most Intelligent: Tillie Burns and Kevin Payne.
Below: Best Looking: Mike Hall and Brenda Smith.

Most Likely to Succeed: Ruth Wagner and Brett Burton.

Above: Best Sense of Humor: Renee' Thogmartin and Donald Whittaker.
Left: Most Athletic: Carol McGraw and Ray Mosier.

Edwardsville State Bank congratulates the Class of '81.
Free at Last: Mrs. Stith and the Class of '81

After forty years of dedicated service to Bonner Springs High School, Mrs. Doris Stith retired from teaching. In the course of her career Mrs. Stith has made herself one of the most respected members of the Bonner Springs community. Students and parents of students know her as the person who introduced them to the great writers, opened their eyes to the beauty of the English language, and guided them through the roots and stems of the language with her Latin. Those of us who have benefited from her knowledge and teaching can appreciate her ceaseless dedication. Bonner High owes Mrs. Stith a great thanks.
Featuring

Activities
Homecoming 1980

Homecoming—the big event—involves us in a parade, float making, float competition, queen and attendant selections, a dance, revival of school spirit and pride and a Saturday afternoon football game. It is a full week of "memories" for the future!
The Bonfire

The Rally

The Parade

The Dance

Spirit Week

The Game
Ruth Wagner, Senior Class Queen Candidate

Carol McGraw, B-Club Queen Candidate

Sandy Riemer, Spirit Club Queen Candidate
Homecoming Queen 1980
Ruth Wagner

Ruth Wagner receives her roses from Jeff Shuster, vice-president of Stuco.
The Homecoming attendants—Gail Brown, junior, Traci Surritte, sophomore and Becky Bernard, freshman.
Close Encounters of the Third Kind

Sophomore Float—#4 Float

Junior Float—#1 Float

Freshman Float—#3 Float

Senior Float—#2 Float

A Little Night Music

Janie Ochoa and John Bonee enjoy the Homecoming Dance. Mr. Carl Taylor and his date not only chaperone the dance, they enjoy it too.
How can teenagers not like a little old lady who carries a Teddy Bear around all the time, especially one that is loaded with wealth. "Ethel P. Savage" became an eccentric heroine and we loved her and the play.

Mrs. Paddy, (Melody Smith) delighted the audience with her unique style and turn of mind. She awakened the audience to the humor in hate with her dissertations and her lists of what she hated—"cold cream, catfish, codfish, crawfish, catnip, politicians"—usually in alphabetical order.
Mrs. Savage seems quite capable of fending off her selfish step-children, so long as she is able to keep her Teddy Bear near her.
Mrs. Paddy's hate for electricity and Miss Willy's quick theft save Mrs. Savage's wealth and her peace of mind.
Christmas Dance—Festive, Spirited and Hard Rock

Karen Ford

Julie Mitchener

Becky Molder

Tisha Estrada

Last year’s Queens and their dates: Tom Brady, Brenda Smith, Tom Beebe and Carol McGraw. This year’s Christmas candidates; Becky Molder and her date, Jamie Harris; Tisha Estrada and her date Rich Armstrong; Karen Ford’s date, Troy Brady and finally, Julie Michener and Steve Connell.
Kevin Tinder and Kristi Foster discuss winter sports.

Tracy Tallman and Dan Vitts are looking for second place in something.

Dennis Vitt and Tammy Stude are unaware that Terry Fraker and Tammy Beeves are following them.

Diane Steinbacher and Kevin Payne promise to exchange Christmas gifts.

Melody Smith and Rick Burns are ready for the next party—only half way thru this one.

Ray Mosier and Sandy Riemer are thinking over the theory of relativity.

Steve Sill makes a deal with the guy across the table for all the Kool-Aid.

Scott Durham tells Missy Zuber one of his really tall Christmas stories.
"The Night Shift" take their turn at the entertainment of the evening.

Pat King and Gina Charleston come back from the dance floor for a rest.

Steve Sill and Brenda Sperry trip the light fantastic.

Lori Mace, Tom Moore, Jannell Wasson and Kay Frentrop discuss the hostage situation.

Joe Saunders and Patty Stoneking enjoy an evening without her camera.

Joel Butner entertains with his rendition of the soliloquy from Hamlet.
Christmas Queen, Karen Ford, Enjoys Her Dance

Troy Brady enjoys Karen's surprise and pleasure at being selected the Christmas Queen.

Karen Ford isn't a bit afraid to dance with Santa.

Carol McGraw dances and remembers when she was selected Christmas Queen in 1979.

Donna Cummings, Rose McCurdy and Leslie Davis in the back row. Barbara Jo McCurdy and Charita Newton seated. They were in charge of the refreshments for the evening.
Senior 81

THAT'S INCREDIBLE
"Once Upon a Mattress"—A Stage Hit

Princess Winnifred, Susan Leininger, tosses and turns on her bed of twenty downy mattresses, unable to sleep.

To help the princess sleep, the queen sends in the Nightingale of Samerkin, Angie Smith, to serenade Winnifred into slumber.

Under the direction of Mrs. Katie Marshall, Mr. Mitch Miles, and Mr. Larry Berg, the spring musical, "Once Upon a Mattress," was a smashing success. With Susan Leininger and Ross Woolf playing the lead roles, the Drama Department turned the Bonner High stage into a Medieval castle of comedy.

The plot of this hilarious play revolved around the old fairy tale of the "Princess and the Pea" and was the "real story" of what happened to the famous princess who was so sensitive, she couldn’t sleep on a bed of twenty downy mattresses even when one tiny pea was placed underneath.

With Dean Standridge as the stage manager, the technical crew played a leading role themselves, constructing complex and realistic sets and doing interesting lighting of their castle set. By renting costumes from a theatrical supplier, the costumes added a professional touch to the play.

As the play opens, Prince Dauntless, Ross Woolf; Queen Aggravain, Regina Stillman; King Sextimus, Richard Gumm; and the Wizard, Alonzo Linan, watch as Princess #12 fails the "Royalty Test."
These Performers Give Show Stopping Performances

Upper Left: Susan Leininger belts out her song of love, hoping she will live "Happily Ever After."
Upper Right: Regina Stillman sings her own solo, planning a much different end for the Princess.
Right: Richard Grumm, Erin Shevling and Mel Boswell are too busy celebrating the present to think about the future.
Lower Left: Erin Shevling reminisces about the past rather than think about what lies ahead.
Lower Right: Erin Shevling, Polly Phillips and Mel Boswell sing of a future in a happier place named "Normandy."
Lady Larken, Polly Phillips, does her best to tell Sir Harry, Mike Camp, that she is pregnant.

Princess Winnifred, Susan Leininger, fails to impress the court with her acrobatic skills.

Members of the cast look on, hoping someone will make an entrance.

The Knights and Ladies of the Court stare in amazement as they watch Princess Winnifred swim the moat.

As the play ends, it is the Queen who is silent and the King who can speak.
Regina Stillman, as the domineering Queen Aggravain, plots to get rid of Princess Winnifred and asks the Wizard, Alonzo Linan, for his assistance.

King Sextimus, Richard Gumm, explains the "facts of life" to Prince Dauntless, Ross Wooff, IN PANTOMIME, no less.

Susan Leininger as the Princess, announces that she didn't sleep a wink, causing the Queen to be livid with frustration.
"Young Love"

The Valentine Dance gave young lovers an opportunity to dance the night away in a romantic setting. The Sweetheart Couple for 1981 were Dan Vitt and Tracy Tallman. The others shown are: Patty Stoneking with Joe Saunders, Marty Wright and Mark Cozine, and Wendall Mallory and Sherrita Newton.
In an effort to show our parents and the community that we really are doing things while we are in school, we hold an annual Open House. Our parents visit the school, go through our hourly schedule on a 5 minute schedule and visit our teachers and our classrooms. Over refreshments they meet each other, and we realize how interested our parents are in us, our school and our activities.
Coming Soon

Juniors
Juniors are the most active students in the school. Looking forward to their senior year, they preserve the club functions and participate in the activities. Being an upperclassman is important to a junior.

Junior Class Officers: Erin Shevling, president; Anne Crisswell, vice-president; Julie Mitchener, secretary; and Terry Fraker, treasurer.

As “Ordinary People”
Lisa Hergesheimer and Twen Hurley tell parents about their activities in Kayettes.
Lower left: Vicki Miles was caught catching a few winks in the typesetting room.
Richard Gumm is about to set forth on a dissertation on the breakdown of his Pinto.
Juniors Are Goers... 

All right, everyone who went to the Van Halen concert wear your shirt! And Dan Vitt, Bill Rehm, Dennis Vitt and Tammy Stude wore their shirts.

Kenda Jeffers
Randy Johnson
Charles Johnston
Michael Kelley
Penny Kennedy
Jo Kerby

Jeff Kirby
Kyle Kirchner
Tom Kobialka
David Lee
Terry Lohman
Stephen Madl

Wendall Mallory
Dan Malsbarger
Rhonda Manning
Ted McCloud
Tammy McCoy
Barbara McCurdy

Anthony McDonald
Ronda McDowell
Raymond McGowan
Tim McGraw
Carl Miles
Vickie Miles

Jan Howerton
Twen Hurley
Dominic Isley

Eric Huonker
Mitch Hylton
Pam Jacobs
Troy Brown is giving the preschoolers a lesson on the difference between a malted milk ball and popcorn.

Tom Beebe contemplates his next move in the halls.
Ann Sproules
Dean Standridge
Ron Stanley
Daniel Stark

Diane Steinbacher
Mary Stephan
Todd Stephens
Regina Stillman
Lisa Stolfs
Tammy Stude

Viesta Suffren
Chris Surritte
David Tavis
Dan Taylor
Brent Towner
Brenda Tucker

Sandra Turner
Steve Twist
Curtis Venerable

Dennis Vitt
Jolleen Vogan
Dennis Wagner

Ladrue Wall
Kevin Walters
Scott Walters

Tom Weir
Debbie Wilcox
Sandra Williams
William Wirth
Brad Zumbrunn

Gregory Smith mans the science exhibit at Open House.
Now

Showing

Sports
Braves Football—1980-81

Scoreboard

Sumner: 19
Coffeyville: 12
Miege: 12
Olathe*: 14
Turner*: 0
Aquinas: 9
Blue Valley*: 3
Washburn: 14
Ottawa*: 14
*EKL games

Opp.: 26
26
35
14
9
30
0
0
6
28
The Longest Yard

Some of the Braves looking on with anticipation for their turn on the field of battle and victory.

Tom Beebe, junior, All EKL.

All-EKL Honorable Mention: Back Row, left to right: Michael Kelly, Dan Beebe, Chris Surritte, Tom Rousselo. Front Row: Jeff Kirby, Terry Fraker, Wendall Mallory, Grady Newton.
Senior Braves—1980-81

Mark Thompson
Offensive End
Defensive Safety
All-EKL Defense

Mike Hall
Offensive and Defensive End

Dan Beebe
Offensive Center
Defensive Tackle
All-EKL Honorable Mention

Derrick Bradley
Offensive Back
Defensive Linebacker
Senior Braves—1980-81

Tom Rousselo
Offensive Guard
Defensive Noseguard
All-EKL Honorable Mention

Jim Martin
Offensive Tackle
Defensive Tackle
All-EKL Offense

Doug McGough
Offensive Tackle

Steve Sill
Quarterback
Defensive Cornerback

Mike Reed
Offensive End
Defensive Cornerback
Michael Kelly scores another td for the Braves.

Steve Madl makes a tackle and another man is useless.

Tom Beebe leaves them biting the dust as he heads for the goal line.

Stephan Sill shows his tackling form against the arch-rival Turner Bears.

Tim McGraw moves in for the tackle with Mike Hall and Grady Newton in pursuit.

Randy Cole struggles for yardage as he heads for another big gain.
Freshman Football—“Our Winning Season”


The freshman team, under Coach Bob Chatterton, had one of its finest seasons in recent years, finishing with a 5-2 record.

Duane Kerby, Bonner’s Best Booster, launders the football jerseys between games.
Harriers Impressive in Final Meets

Led by seniors Ray Mosier and Dan Ballou, the Bonner High Cross-Country Team finished the season on a high note. The team ended up 9th in Class 5A State competition. Ray Mosier, #1 runner on the team ran a 3rd place clocking at State. Dan Ballou legged a 10th place finish while sophomore Dan Burnam sprinted to 55th. Junior John “Fred” Hecke cruised to a 59th place and frosh Troy Kindred placed 60th. Sophomore Ricky Smith grabbed 77th and freshman Scott Stine grabbed 97th.

The team started the season with high hopes, but after a disappointing first three meets, the Braves finally began to put it all together. Ray Mosier won the Miege Invitational while Dan Ballou took 4th as the team captured the 3rd place trophy. From there they went on to take 3rd in Blue Valley Invitational, followed by a 3rd at the Ward Invitational.

The disappointing 4th at EKL with Mosier as the EKL Champ, led the Harriers to place in the top 4th at the Regionals and a trip to the State Meet.

Coach Atwell’s inspired coaching led the Braves all season. His ability to encourage a Harrier to reach and pass his potential has made his record at Bonner one to be proud of.
Seniors Who Paced the Bonner Pack

Jennifer Hand
76th at State

Deloris Anderson
44th at State

Dan Ballou
10th at State

Ray Mosier
1st at Miege
1st at Blue Valley
1st at EKL
1st in Regional
3rd at State
See How They Run... Harriers in Action

Top left: Deloris Anderson finishes strong.
Above: Ricky Smith leads the pack.

Above; Deloris Anderson holds off oncoming runners.
Right: Danny Ballou as he devastates the field.
Two members of the Bonner Springs High School Volleyball Team were named to the EKL All-Tournament and League team. They were: Ruth Wagner, who was named to the All-League team for the third time in her career and has won three volleyball letters, and Judy Kuehn, who was named for the first time and is a two-year letter winner.

Bonner Springs Coach Pat Sears said that the selection was made on the basis of performance at the EKL Tournament held in October at Miege. She said that each coach nominates members of her team and the voting is done by league coaches, with the local coach not allowed to vote on her nominees. The top 12 vote-getters are named to the All-League team.

Wagner excelled in net play and

Judy Kuehn performed as a setter for Bonner. These two, along with other seniors Carol McGraw, Sandy Riemer and Tillie Burns, were the center of a team that finished with a 9-12 record. At 9-12, Bonners' record wasn't as good as last year's 11-7, but this was a year when individual statistics stood out.
Bravettes As They "Bump, Set and Spike"

Ruth Wagner gives the ball a real "bump."

Carol McGraw sets up the ball for LaWanda Newton.

Patty O'Brien gets down for a real "bump."
Volleyball. . .Where Bravettes Compete and Have Fun

Ruth Wagner, Sandy Riemer, Carol McGraw and Tillie Burns have fun before the game starts.

Ruth and Carol in a more serious moment. . .

Freshman girls put their best efforts into their first sport of the season and came through with a 5-5 season. With the talent and enthusiasm they showed, they are looking forward to the seasons ahead and. . .maybe, a championship.

The 1980-81 Freshman Volleyball team: Standing, left to right: Anita Bolton, Susan Stephan, Shelley Lowe, Marci Benz, Jamie Cretan, Coach Mary Lenahan. Front Row: Becky Mosier, Janice Stephens, Stephanie Finley, Theresa Sanders, Kristy King, Sherry Hixson.
Girl Netters Make Racket
“Golden Girls”

Just in their second year of play, the Bonner girl netters continued to improve. Despite their youth and inexperience, the team frustrated many seasoned pros. Led by Coach Bill Scott, the team learned the rackets.


Nikki Stine, senior, shows her serving power.

Melody Smith, senior, smacks a vicious return.

Janice Burris, senior, follows through (and over).
Sophomore Shelley Carson led the team all season with her dynamite play.

Tracy Tallman, sophomore, concentrates on love.

Coach Bill Scott takes Shelley Carson's and Tracy Tallman's order for Wendy's Hamburgers.

Sherry Leitzan, sophomore, backhands for a point.

Polly Phillips quenches her thirst for tennis with Gatorade.
Although the Braves finished the season with a 7-13 record, their season was an improvement over the 1979-80 campaign. Seven close ball games that the Braves lost kept them from a winning record. But surfacing during the season were several young players who give the future a brighter look.

Taking second at the Tonganoxie tournament, the Braves highlighted their season by winning three trophies—the Runner-Up Trophy, The Up-From-Under Trophy and the Most Inspirational Player Trophy to Mike Reed.


Left: Steve Sill looks for the open man.
Center: Braves pose after winning three trophies at the Tonganoxie Tournament.
Right: Mike Reed intently and determinedly shoots for two points.
Danny Ballou

Mike Hall
All EKL
All Kansan Third Team

Mike Reed
Most Inspirational Player
Tonganoxie Tournament

Tom Klotz

Steve Sill

R O U N D B A L L E R S

S E N I O R
Braves In Action

Tom Kotz leaps up on the back boards.

Hughes Suffren, (30), muscles his way up for two points.

Danny Ballou concentrates on the basket as he drives for a lay-up.

Mike Reed guns for two from the outside.

Braves Mike Hall and Tom Klotz fight their opponents for a rebound.
The Braves freshman team took fourth at the Leavenworth West Tournament. Coupled with their win over Ottawa, the freshmen finished their season with a 10-4 record.
The Bravettes Who "Carried the Ball"

Although this was not their best season, the Bravettes set many individual records. Ruth Wagner broke Cheryl Chambers career scoring record and her career rebounding record. Carol McGraw led in career assists and was second to Ruth in career scoring.

Carol McGraw and Ruth Wagner made the All-EKL team while Cheryl Nealy received Honorable Mention.

The 1979-80 returning letter winners include: Front Row, left to right: Patty O'Brien, Tillie Burns, Middle Row: Jim Conaway, head coach, Ruth Wagner, Sandy Riemer, John Heckathorne, assistant coach, Back Row: Andrea Harrington, Cheryl Nealy, Carol McGraw.

Tillie Burns

Carol McGraw

Andrea Harrington
Seniors attending the Heart of America basketball camp in Salina include, left to right, Andrea Harrington, Carol McGraw and Tillie Burns.
Those Girls Who Will "Take the Ball Next Year"


Wrestlers Who Did the Job

Senior Matmen . . . 1980-81

Kevin Payne, Career Record 16-28-1; Pins Senior Year 8; 2nd Wyandotte Invitational.

Tom Rousselo, Career Record 31-28-1; Pins Senior Year 7; Three Year Letterman; Wyandotte Invitational Champ; Senior Year; Third in EKL—1979; Second in EKL—1980; First in EKL—1980.

Terry Ballard, Career Record 52-28-1; Pins Senior Year 13; 4-Year Letterman; Bonner and Wyandotte Invitation Champ Senior Year; Third in EKL—1979; Second in EKL—1980; First in EKL—1980.

Dan Beebe, Career Record 30-15; Pins Senior Year 10; Third in EKL; Second in Regionals.
The 1981 Regional Champs: Kneeling, Marion Groves, Dan Beebe, Standing, Randy Hixson, Kelly Ratliff, Mike Holloway, Todd Stephens, Rick Burns, Tom Rousselto, Coach Richard Burns, Eddie Seaton, Manager Chuck Emery, Terry Ballard and Kevin Payne.

Eddie Seaton shows his form on this double leg takedown during the finals of the Wyandotte tourney. Below: Freshman standout, Mike Holloway, has control of his S.M. South opponent in route to another victory.
Four Juniors Make State Team

Top Right: Todd Stephans attempts to bring his opponent to the mat enroute to a Regional Championship, a Second at Substate, and a Fourth Place finish at State. Above: Bonners' own little stick of dynamite, Eddie Seaton, explodes again as he wins two more Regional and Substate Championships, along with placing Third in State.

Left: Marlon Groves looks for two or maybe even three more points in this match. Marlon had a good year with a great finish as he placed third in both Regional and Substate. Right: After recovering from a broken leg, Ricky Burns had his best year yet as a BSHS matman. Ricky works on Doug Chamberlin of Miege on his way to both Regional and Substate Championships and a Third in State.

Miller's Pharmacy extends Best Wishes to the Class of '81
Girls' Track: True Grit


After winning the team titles at their own invitational and the Ward Invitational, the Bravettes sent four runners to the state championships to defend last year's state title. Carol McGraw, Viesta Suffren, Chris Seaton, and Shelly Carson continued Bonner's dominance in the mile relay by winning in a time of 4:00.25.

Viesta Suffren shows extreme concentration and sprinting form that took her to the state championships.

Chris Seaton hands the baton to Carol McGraw in the mile relay.
A Study in Concentration

Clockwise from upper left: Tracy Tallman clears a hurdle; Carol McGraw and Viesta Suffren sweep the 220; Jean Harden running the 220 yard hurdles; Johnetta Kimbrough concentrates on her race before starting from the blocks.
Braves run the Jericho Mile


Braves' Mile Relay Team: Curtis Venerable, James Avant, Troy Brown, Mike King.

Braves' State Qualifiers: Tom Beebe (Shot Put), Tom Klotz (High Jump, 120 High Hurdles), Ray Mosier (880 and Mile), Grady Newton (Javelin).

Braves' 440 Relay Team: Ken Kelley, Mike Kelley, Marlan Groves, Ken Hinson.

Braves' Two Mile Relay Team: John Reed, Tom Kobialka, Dan Burnam, Troy Kindred.
Senior Cindermens

Dan Ballou

Tom Klotz

Ray Mosier

Ken Hinson

Jim Martin

Mike Reed

Dan Beebe
Long Jumper: Hughes Suffren.

Jim Martin: EKL runner-up in the shot put.

Ray Mosier cuts the tape for another Bonner victory.

Dan Ballou leads the pack in the 880.

Tom Klotz shows his hurdling form.

Michael Kelley sprints for the Braves.

Best Wishes to the Class of '81 from Ernie Frey Ford
The Boys' Tennis team ended its second season much as they did in their first year of existence, below .500.

Next year's schedule is almost complete, and it looks as if the Braves will see even tougher competition than they did this year. Coach Bill Scott commented about his team's progress of this year, and of next year as well.

"I think that the boys progressed very well this season. When they began the season, they did not play as near as well as they did at the end of the year. For next year, I hope that we will do better than this year. If we plan to get anyone through Regionals, they need to play hard all summer and next fall. Nine of the 12 members of the team will return, so we should have a good, experienced group. Hopefully, four or five freshmen shall come out and keep our group large and competitive."

The Bonner Springs Golf team had an improved season over last year. Bonner took third out of five teams in the Piper Invitational, April 7th at Pajada. Also, Steve Sill and Kyle Kirchner captured third place out of a field of 12 in the two-man team at the Osawatomie Invitational.

But the most impressive event for the Braves this season was when Kyle Kirchner qualified in the Regionals to go to State competition, the first time anyone from Bonner has competed in the State meet since 1972.

John Harmon, senior putter.

Senior swinger, Steve Sill.
Fall Sports Banquet Celebrates Athletes “North Bonner 40”

With Ed Nealy serving as Master of Ceremonies and chief jokester, the fall sports banquet was a panorama of sports achievement and community pride. Sponsored by the Bonner Booster Club, the athletes were treated to a buffet before their letters were awarded. Sixty-one athletes received letters for their sports achievements. It was an evening of athletic pomp and ceremony.

Athletes who participated in football, volleyball, boys and girls’ cross-country and girls’ tennis were honored.
At the annual spring sports banquet, Carole McGraw was named female Athlete of the Year and Ray Mosier was named male Athlete of the Year. Letters were awarded in basketball, wrestling, track, tennis and golf. The cheerleaders were cited for their service to the continued enthusiasm and spirit of the student body.
Live

from Bonner Springs

the

Sophomores
Sophomores Say They Are "Stir Crazy"

Sophomore class officers: Vicki Burns, president; Brenda Sperry, vice-president; Sherry Lietzen, secretary; and Robert Dykes, treasurer.

Loralyn Adams
John Beal
Lee Black
Terry Burris
Shelley Carson
Roberta Cline

Lori Alexander
James Beashore
Kevin Border
Alvin Cain
James Clark

Jenny Allen
Angie Bellamy
Geri Bowers
Michael Camp
Kelly Clark

Michael Allen
Marty Bennett
James Bown

Lucretia Arnold
Kay Bernard
Kala Buell

Vicki Baker
Rebecca Berning
Daniel Burnam

Vicki Bates
Michele Bevier
Victoria Burns
Charita Newton steps back and takes a rest after preparing a big casserole in Home Economics.

Annis Tedford says "Hi, Everybody."
Robbie Hazelslip and Betty Davis pose for the camera in their grueling Science class.

Shelly Carson shows her winning form.
Jolinda Lee
Purvis Lee
Stefan Lenz

Marty Bennett and Lorna Kindred show how much fun it is to be a Sophomore.

Sherry Lietzen
Alonzo Linan
George Lopez

Sophomores

Dianna Luckett
Penny Mace
Edward Mallory
Brian Mance
Sheila Mann
Eric Manning

Monte "Killer" Cox ponders his next golf story.

Anthony Marshall
Mike Marvin
Stacy Mathews
Deanna McAfee
Carol McCleary
Rusty McCloud

The Bonner Springs Chieftain extends Best Wishes to the Class of '81.

Edward Mallory
Brian Mance
Sheila Mann
Eric Manning

Regie McDowell
Chris McMackin

Victor McDonald
Regie McDowell
Chris McMackin

Rusty McCloud

Alan Means
Tammy Mecum
Cindy Melton

Alan Mesmer
Paul Mies
Cergia Miller

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Sophomore Rod Harden "cheeses" for the camera.

Polly Phillips  Mark Price  Daniella Proctor

Marcia Moore  Brenda Newton  Roy Nunn  Kim Palmberg  Cheryl Purinton  Rusty Reaves  Debbie Robinette
Kelli Murphy  Charita Newton  Charles O'Brien  Darrell Pennington  Linda Quackenbush  Keith Reynolds  Sandy Rollins
Greg Neal  Grady Newton  Tami Osburn  Lora Peterson  Marcia Quillen  Greg Rickert  Sandra Romero
Cheryl Nealy  Nancy Nickell  Jackie Owens  Quinton Petty  Frank Ramirez  Kevin Ritchie  John Ross

Cindy Conn cures her case of the "Munchies".
Jolinda Lee is one of the POW WOW's most persistent reporters.
Now

Showing

Organizations
Student Council Ushers In the '80's

President Bob Burnam presides over a STUCO meeting.

Charles Whipple, Parliamentarian; Ann Sproules, Secretary; Bob Burnam, President; Jeff Shuster, Vice-President.

STUCO Provides "Justice for All"

STUCO President Bob Burnam plants bushes in the patio as part of the beautification program.

The "Rah Rah" Crowd...Active, Noisy & Loyal

The switch from Pep Club to Spirit Club and the addition of male members seemed to be the needed change for a successful season. In addition to adding enthusiasm and cheers of the sports, events, Spirit Club purchased T-shirts, sponsored a Queen candidate for Homecoming, Christmas dance, and the Tonganoxie Tournament and had a successful Christmas party. Perhaps the biggest achievement of the Spirit Club was the large number of members who rooted at the Tongy Tournament where they competed in a spirit contest.
Juanita Fredericks and Susan Schubert watch the Spirit Club booth during Open House.

Spirit Club members pause for a picture.

Kim Manis and Leslie Ragan keep the Spirit Club peppy.

The cheerleaders were busy this year keeping the Braves spirit noisy and exciting. Above: The spirited squad include: left to right: Laura Goble, co-captain, Kristi Foster, Becky Molder, Karen Ford, Julie Mitchener, Captain, Annette Holliday, Leslie Ragan and Kim Manis.

Senior members of the squad are: Laura Goble, Leslie Ragan, and Kim Manis.
Cheers and Activities Keep Cheerleaders Busy

Left: Julie Mitchener, Captain, shows her cheerleading style. Right: Julie performs before a student body bringing up their spirit to a roar. Below left: Shawna Seaton, apprentice cheerleader, joins Leslie Ragan, Laura Goble and Kim Manis to drum up spirit at a wrestling match. Below right: Annette Holliday gives her best at a pep rally.

Left: Cheerleaders learning to do it right: Kristi Foster, Julie Mitchener, Karen Ford and Becky Molder work on their technique. Below right: Cheerleaders giving the fans enthusiasm.
The Junior Varsity cheerleaders with their winning smiles are: Top Row: Gay Smith (captain). Middle Row: Tracy Suritte, Robin Hoch, and Sandy Rollins. Bottom Row: Missy Zuber (co-captain).

Above left: The Pompon squad added much entertainment during half time at home football and basketball games. Members of the squad are: Standing, left to right: Becca Berning, Jo Kerby, Sandy Williams, Michele Bevier, Lorre Crisswell, and Kathleen Hornick. Kneeling: Tammy Stude (co-captain), Vickie Miles, Janie Ochoa (captain) and Sandy Turner. Above: Tammy Stude (co-captain). Below left: Janie Ochoa, captain, senior, three year member. Below: The Pompon squad gives Janie an appreciative "Thanks" and a fond farewell.
The Kayettes enjoyed a successful year under strong leadership from its officers, board and sponsors. They kicked the year off by serving cold drinks and cookies to the faculty during enrollment. Holidays are special for Kayettes...and they make sure every one knows it with their decorations and their celebrations. They collect food for needy families for Thanksgiving and Christmas, they support an orphan in India, they have a secret Valentine exchange. The biggest event this year was their "Mr. Irresistible" contest...a replacement for their annual powder-puff football game. They not only made enough money for their yearly projects, they also found the most irresistible male at BSHS.
Kayettes Take Part in Service Activities

Kayette officers take a break during an executive meeting.

During Open House Kayettes advertise their activities.

Members of the Kayette Board are (back row, left to right): Janet Cline, Charlotte Owens, Julie Mitchner, Sandy Riemer, Ruth Wagner, Chris Seaton, (front row): Marci Benz, Kristi King, Anne Crisswell, Carol McGraw, and Darla DeGroot.

Watson’s Drug Store extends Best Wishes to the Class of ’81.
Kayettes Search for a Perfect "10"

This year the Kayettes sponsored the first annual Mr. Irresistible contest. He was selected in the following manner. Girls purchased paper flowers at the Kayette booth. Boys made every effort they could to get a girl to speak to him. If she did, she had to give him a flower. And, of course, the winner was the handsome, irresistible young man who had the largest collection of flowers.

Mr. Irresistible, 1981, was Dean Standridge and the runner up was Ricky Ochoa. Besides the titles, the two fellows and their dates were served a candlelight dinner by the Kayettes.

Dean Standridge...The 1981 Mr. Irresistible!

Ruth Wagner and Gayle Brown take time to count the money.

Angie Smith loses a flower to runner up Ricky Ochoa, while Brad Bond decides his plan of action.
We Are Family...and a Big One, Too!


FHA Officers for 1980-81, left to right: Patty Stoneking, Stuco Representative; Lorna Kindred, Historian; Charita Newton, Secretary; DaJuana Quillen, President; Johnnie Marshall, Vice President; Cindy Carriger, Treasurer; and Sue Johnson, District Historian.
Membership Drive Is "Stir Crazy" with Silly Supper

In an all-out effort to bring in members that would enjoy the kind of things that FHA/HERO did, the club held a "silly supper." The evening was a meal of errors with the diners not knowing what they were getting from the names on the menu. Even the meal order was a mystery with some getting their dessert first.

The officers prepared and served the food with the assistance of two new members.

Servers at the Silly Supper: Karen Focke, DaJuana Quillen, Cindy Carriger, Mrs. Chandley, Johnnie Marshall, Linda Quackenbush, Angela Manning, Sue Johnson and Patty Stoneking.

Above: Having fun at the silly supper.
Right: Comparing foods at the silly supper.
Kay Moore gives her adopted child her full attention. In an effort to bring about the impact of family responsibility, each girl adopted one or more children (a raw egg) and was responsible for its care for two weeks. They had to give it a home, clothes and care for it... and carelessness meant that it got broken. At the end of two weeks, each member brought back her child and was rated for the care. Those who were careless were childless... and those who were careful and loving brought their child and prizes were awarded.

The January birthday party was fun.

Johnnie Anderson enjoys refreshments at the January birthday party.

Donna Cummings, Rose McCurdy, Leslie Davis, Barbara McCurdy and Charita Newton served refreshments made by the Home Economics Department at the Christmas dance.
Parents Join Their Children for a Parent Night at FHA

Once a year, FHA has Parent Night...for dinner and installation of officer for the next year. As the responsibility changes from the old to the new, the new officers are charged with the responsibility of carrying on the FHA traditions.
French Doesn't Have to be "X-Rated"

French Club Officers: Top to Bottom: Tammy Mecum, Stuco Rep, Kathy Heck, President, Sherri Blackwell, Secretary, Vicki Burns, Treasurer, Robert Pitts, Vice-President.


Being a French student means belonging to the French Club and participating in some of the cultural activities that are typically French. These include playing games that are French in origin, learning and singing French songs, singing French Christmas carols, cooking and tasting French foods and occasionally attending a French film.

Spanish club is one of the most active clubs. With a sponsor who loves her work, the members were taken to Fiesta Mexicana, and wherever there was a display of Spanish culture. Activities they participated in order to finance their various activities were varied, interesting and successful. They included: Candy sales, Advent calendar sales, Valentine message sales plus a Spanish-French Christmas party, an International Dinner; they sponsored a Spanish family at Christmas, enjoyed guest speakers in the classroom and prepared a variety of Spanish and Mexican culinary treats.

Spanish and French Club after a hectic soccer game.
Mary Berlin models her state-winning costume of the goddess Iris.

The Bonner Springs High School chapter of Junior Classical League had one of their more successful years at the State Convention held at Sumner Academy. Bonner came away from the convention with three firsts. Kecia Stolfus won the banner contest, Mary Berlin took the costume contest, and Jeff Shuster placed first on the derivative. In addition, Shuster tied with Kim Palmberg for second on the grammar test and Dale Hammontree placed third on the derivative. Coupled with their work in the International Dinner and their own picnic in the spring, JCL had an active and enjoyable year.
The Continental Dinner is an annual event that is a joint venture of the foreign language department. Although it is "potluck", students prove to be chefs in preparation and selection and gourmets in dining. It always turns out to be a ravenous night.

Mrs. Stith heads toward her table after seeing to it that students take a little of each entree.

Tillie Burns knows that lasagna... she made it.

Mrs. Marcia Nelson smiles approvingly as Kim Palmberg bravely dips up a portion of escargot.

Tedlana Stephens looks everything over carefully before she starts her adventure into culinary wonderland.

Craig Kirshner heads for the table after cleaning out the dessert table.

Jeff Shuster really wants to go home and eat corn beef and cabbage.

Lorna Kindred bites into the lasagna with Roman delight.
Debators Practice Verbal "Take Down"

Led by Master Debators, Richard Gumm and Bob Burnam, the debate squad had a successful season. Left, Richard Gumm and Bob Burnam proudly display their first place plaque and medals which they won at the Shawnee Mission East Debate Tournament—the most prestigious tournament in the local area.

Above: Debate squad breaks from work to pose for a picture. Left to right: Darryl Corcoran, Dixie Schlage, Richard Gumm, Chris King, Bob Burnam, Craig Harden, Amy Reed. Below: Debators organized and directed their own debate tournament.
Forensics Squad Battles for "Fame"

Despite their youth and inexperience, the forensics squad had a successful and enjoyable season. Over the season, the team won 14 medals and finished third at the Topeka West Invitational.

Their season was highlighted at the State Speech Festival, where Melody Smith, Richard Gumm, and Darryl Corcoran competed. Melody’s original oration received a second division rating, Darryl was rated a third division rating for his prose, and Richard was awarded the coveted first division rating for both his humorous interpretation and his extemporaneous speech.

Members of the forensics squad strike their most dramatic poses for the TOTEM POLE. Shown are: (top to bottom): Kathy Thorn, Darryl Corcoran, Chris King, Richard Gumm, Dixie Swegle, Amy Reed, Sharon Williams, Melody Smith, Angie Smith.

Senior forensicator Melody Smith begs for a "1".

Richard Gumm prepares to deliver "Words From Unity" to the class.

Darryl Corcoran shows his award-winning imitation of a stuffed herring.

Bertling Tire Company congratulates the Class of '81.
Bonner's "Oscar" Awards Given at Dinner Party

Debators, forensicsators, actors, and actresses all attended the annual FTD Dinner at Pitko's in Kansas City, Kansas. Their mini-Oscar awarding ceremony is one of the highlights of their year.

Best Actor, Mel Boswell; Best Supporting Actress, Laura Goble, Best Supporting Actor, Richard Gumm, Best Actress, Susan Leininger, Tech Theater Award, Dean Standridge.

Mrs. Marshall passes out forensics awards, left to right, Melody Smith, Richard Gumm, Dixie Swegle, Kathy Thorn, Angie Smith, Darryl Corcoran, Sandy Williams, Chris King.

Members of the cast of "Once Upon A Mattress" perform a scene from the musical at the Forensics, Theater, and Debate Dinner.
Thespians Live for "The Fan"

Above, Alonzo Linan, Erin Shevling, Melody Smith, and Richard Gumm rehearse a dance step for the spring musical "Once Upon a Mattress."

Top right, Susan Leininger, Angie Smith, Robbie Cline, Amy Reed, and Mrs. Marshall make plans at a Thespian Club meeting.

Acting, singing, dancing, it it goes on stage, the Thespian club was involved. During the school year, the club bought T-shirts, sold candy, and worked in the production of two very successful plays, "The Curious Savage," and "Once Upon a Mattress." They finished their year with a banquet in Kansas City honoring individual accomplishments.
Under first-year band director Larry Berg, the Bonner Springs Marching Band performed at K.U. Band Day and at the American Royal parade as well as the Homecoming Parade. The Concert Band received a “II” rating on performance and a “III” rating on sight reading at State Music Contest. The stage band got into full swing the second semester and performed for many area functions.
Above: Saxophones: Back Row, left to right: Jeff Clark, Marty Bennett, Tom Weir, Darren Warden, Robin Greer, Mel Boswell. Middle Row: Mark Laird, Regina Stillman, Khristy King, Joel Sawalick. Front Row: Ross Woolf, Tillie Burns, Alonzo Linan, Jimmy Cretan.

Above left: French Horns: Duane Arnold, Ronda Fox, Sophia Deleon and Susan Leininger.

Above: Woodwinds: Jeff Shuster, Gayleene Duley, Jamie Creten, Denise Bodecker, Greg Smith.

Below left: Trombone Section: James Sachrist, Tim Weir, Derrick Bradley, Danny Vitt.
Senior Band Members and EKL Honor Band

Senior Band Members, Back Row, left to right: Wayne Roland, James Warden, Ruth Wagner, Dan Vitt, Derrick Bradley, Mike Reed, Danny Ballou, Mel Boswell, John Colgan. Front Row: Andreas Harrington, Janie Ochoa, Nikki Stine, Angie Murphy, Melody Smith, Tillie Burns, Susan Leininger, Sandy Riemer.

The Eastern Kansas League Honor Band Members. Below: The Stage Band: a group of musicians who perform for after band concerts and for a variety of local functions.
Trumpet Section, Back Row, left to right: Steve Sil, James Warden, James Freeman, Danny Ballou, Greg Foster, Stephen Lenz, Martin Whipple. Middle Row: Mike Reed, James Shevling, Wayne Roland, Melody Smith, John Beal, Cliff Farrell, Paul Steinwach. Seated, Front Row: Dennis Vitt, Terry Fraker, Terry Lohmann, Bill Rehm.

Right: Baritone Section: Mike King, Polly Phillips, Monte Fox.

Clarinet Section, Back Row: Becki Bernard, Janie Ochoa, Tracy Tallman, Johnetta Kimbrough, Linda Anderson, Rebecca Weaver, Kelly Murphy, Cynthia Hethke, Anita Dailey, Betty Davis, Mary Berlin. Front Row: Rebecca Berning, Angie Smith, Anne Crisswell, Gail Brown, Sandy Riemer, Chris Seaton.
Above, Flute Section: Back Row, left to right: Cathy Kelley, Andrea Harrington, Ruth Wagner, Angie Murphy, Michelle Bevier, Diana McAfee, Rhonda Newton, Twen Hurley. Front Row: Kathleen Hornick, Lorie Harris, Tammy Osborn, Jo Kerby, Liz Hale, Sandy Rollins.

Right: Tuba Section: John Colgan, Kay Moore, Daryl Whitmill.

Below: Precussion Section, Back Row, left to right: John Hale, Ricky Smith, Tyrie Fletcher, Ricky Guess, Alan Mesmer, Alan Schif, Front Row: Rickey Ochoa, Nikki Stine, Doug Eagle, Randy Reed.
The Band. . . Versatile and Talented

The John Philip Sousa Award is presented each year to the most outstanding senior member of the band. The selection is made by the band members themselves, based on talent, leadership and popularity. Mel Boswell was selected for the award and his four years of dedication to his love of music and band activities were awarded.

Top right: Mr. Larry Berg presents the John Philip Sousa award to Mel during the Cavalcade of Bands performance. Above: Mel dressed up in his Drum Major outfit.

The Pep Band thrills another lively basketball audience.
Bonner Springs High School's "Jazz Singers"

Despite the III rating the A Cappella Choir received at the State Music Festival, the group had an enjoyable and successful year. In the top photo, the Girls' Glee Club performs at the Christmas Concert. In the bottom photo, Bonner's representatives at the District Honor Choir. Shown are, left to right: Scott Stine, Nikki Stine, DaJauna Quillen, Laura Goble, Judy Kuehn, Mike Simms, Mel Boswell, Susan Leininger, Ruth Wagner, Regina Stillman, Kevin Power, Richard Gumm, Ross Woolf, Tyree Dangerfield.

Vocal music director Mitch Miles bows after his final concert at Bonner Springs High School. After the concert, he was presented with a gift from the students.
"A Little Night Music"

The A Cappella Choir performs for its audience at their Christmas Concert.

In the top photo, the Mixed Chorus sings in the annual fall concert. In the photo on the bottom left, vocal soloists Mel Boswell (left) and Kevin Power (right) pose with band soloist Alonzo Linan. All three received first division ratings at the State Music Festival.
Singers' Talent and Enthusiasm Captivate Audiences
"American Pop" Bonner Style
"Best Year Ever for Crafts Students"

In an outstanding year for the crafts department, three national gold medals were won by students in Scholastic Arts competition. John Colgan, senior, won with a sterling silver bodonics lighted Diode box with plique-a-jour enameled ring and 24 karat electro plated gild interior. Junior Frank Dressler won with a sterling silver leather-lined ring box featuring garnets, ivory and puka shell beads on top. Twen Hurley, junior, won in textile design with a complicated interlacing color pattern used for the design of curtains and other fabrics.

National Gold Medal Winners John Colgan, Twen Hurley, and Frank Dressler.

Mrs. Knowles and Karen Ford scrutinize work at the Arts Festival.

Frank Dressler works the BSHS Crafts booth at the 1981 New Century Arts Festival.

In Regional competition, Dan Vitt and Karen Ford won honorable mentions, and John, Twen, and Frank won gold keys.
Besides winning a gold key and a national gold medal, senior John Colgan came home with another award from Scholastic competition. A new honor, the Armstrong Award, was awarded to John at the Regional competition. The award was signed to recognize the best craftsman in the state of Kansas at this time.

Editor, Kecia Stolfus. The 1980-81 school year was a milestone year in paper production—with over 125 pages of POW WOW produced, double any previous year.
DECA Avoids "Hardly Working"

Front Row, left to right: Susan Stoner, Bob Barker, Maria Sawyer. Middle Row: Ted Stephens, sponsor, Jeff Carson, Leslie Ragan, Mike Thorn, Debbie Snyder. Back Row: Jeanne Chambers, Peggy DeFries, Sandy Schrimcher, Evelyn Cole.

Mr. Stephens was presented a plaque of appreciation for his work with the DECA club. Members of the organization chipped in and bought Mr. Stephens the award for his service.
"You Ought to Be in Pictures"...Producer—Totem Pole Class


Melody Smith, Director

Patty Stoneking, Photographer

The scenario was 180 days of high school to be captured forever in pictures and print. With a cast (student body) that was active and involved, a location (Bonner Springs High School) that was scenic and panoramic, the Totem Pole class had much to work with.
Senior Preview
1980-81 Sports Highlights

Basketball, Track and Field
Appearing
for the
First Time
Freshmen
We've Only Just Begun

Freshman officers, left to right: Linda Anderson, president; Mark Gillem, treasurer; Liz Hale, secretary; and Julie Rehm, vice-president.

Amy Anderson  Bridget Anderson  Linda Anderson  Heather Anderson  Tammy Ballard  Boyd Abts  Curtis Akins
Mary Berin  Cindy Bernard  Becki Bernard  Brad Biles  Sherrie Blackwell  Phyllis Akins  Jamie Allen
Laura Brazeal  Erick Buckland  Ivan Cain  Tim Calhoun  Stephen Camp  Robert Becker  Marcy Benz
Jeff Clark  Patricia Coffelt  Kim Cosner  Kathy Courtin  Frank Cozine  Anita Bolton  Cheryl Bradbury
  Boyd Abts  Phyllis Akins  Robert Becker  Anita Bolton  Rita Carpenter  Jamie Creten  David Clark
  Curtis Akins  Jamie Allen  Marcy Benz  Cheryl Bradbury  David Clark  Tom Cummings
Lisa Goins tries to find her notes or maybe it's "the note."

Angie Smith and Marcy Benz cooking up another one of their famous capers.
Freshmen being their "alert" selves in a classroom.
Hughes Suffren  Leslie Tavis  Jacquelyn Taylor  Samantha Taylor

Vinita Pine takes a break.

Bart Peterson and J.V. Everhart are really "drafting" plans for what they are going to do in the evening.
Coming
Attraction
Achievements
For the first time ever, one class produced both two valedictorians and two salutators, an extraordinary achievement. With the exception of Melody, all were educated in Bonner schools their entire lives.

With G.P.A.'s of 3.987 and 4.0, Ruth, Sandy, Tillie, and Melody left some big shoes to fill.
The Citizen of the Year Award, begun three years ago, was designated to honor a student who shows respect for the flag, the community, and the school. The student also shows a regard for private and public property and responsibility.

The award is backed by the Kansas State High School Activities Association and is considered the highest honor that can be bestowed on a graduating senior. The faculty votes for the most deserving senior.
The 1981 graduating class had the largest group ever with a 3.5 grade point average or better. Along with co-valedictorians and co-salutatorians, many of them received scholarships and grants.

Standing, left to right: Nikki Stine, Kecia Stolfus, Carol McGraw, Kevin Payne, Kathy Heck, John Colgan, Brenda Smith, Mel Boswell, Lori Leach, Doug McGough, Evelyn Steinwachs, Laura Goble, Derrick Bradley, Steve Sill, Dan Vitt, and Brad Bond. Seated are the co-valedictorians, Tillie Burns and Melody Smith, and the co-salutatorians, Sandy Riemer and Ruth Wagner.
Some Extra-"Ordinary People"


From the top 25% of the senior class academically, National Honor Society initiates are chosen by the faculty on the basis of character, leadership and service to the school.

Mrs. Mary Knowles, NHS sponsor.

Mrs. Doris Stith was honored at the initiation for her years of participation with NHS.
In a solemn ceremony, the new members of the National Honor Society were pledged to the meaning of the sacred flame—to continue their education, strive to do their best throughout their lives, and uphold the meaning of the sacred flame.
Scholarships Awarded to Many Seniors

An extraordinary number of seniors received scholarships this year, encouraging them to further their education. Counterclockwise from top left: Jim Martin: Pittsburg State Athletic Scholarship; Wayne Roland: Custodial Maintenance Association Scholarship; Dan Beebe: Washburn University Scholarship; Tillie Burns: Wyandotte County P.T.A. Scholarship, Benedictine College Achievement Scholarship, Commercial State Bank Scholarship; Dan Vitt: Donnelly College Presidential Scholarship; Nikkie Stine: Bonner Springs Student Council Scholarship; Charles Whipple: Rotary Scholarship, Edwardsville P.T.A. Scholarship; Doug McGough: Business and Professional Women's Scholarship, Edwardsville P.T.A. Scholarship; Kecia Stolfus: Mike Bell Journalism Achievement Scholarship.
More Awards at the End of a Long Year

Counterclockwise from upper left: Kathy Hecke: Bonner Springs Teachers' Association Scholarship; Susan Leininger: Junior High Leaders Club Scholarship, Kansas University Music Scholarship; Laura Goble: Hallmark Cards Scholarship; Mike Hall: Central College Academic Scholarship; Sandy Riemer: Kansas City Community College Trustees Scholarship; Steve Sill: Baker University Athletic Scholarship; La-Juana Quillen: Indian Scholarship; Melody Smith: Emporia State Award of Excellence, Emporia State Myer Scholarship. Not pictured: Tom Rousselle: Highland Community College Athletic Scholarship; Brett Burton and Evelyn Steinwachs: Edwardsville P.T.A. Scholarships.
Junior Awards—"A Star Is Born"


Best Wishes to the Class of '81 from Robert C. Lee, D.D.S.
Injun Joe and Injun Jane. . .1981

Terry Ballard
Injun Joe

Melody Smith, Totem Pole Editor, gives Terry the Injun Joe Banner.

Laura Goble
Injun Jane

Kecia Stolfus, Pow Wow Editor, gives Laura the Injun Jane Banner.
Performing Arts Highlights
'81 had all the fun
Held
Over
Faculty
The dedicated men and women who become members of the Board of Education give of their time, energy and judgement in order to make available to us the best available in curriculum, facilities and environment. Their constant encouragement and their efforts make many more things possible than we can imagine. We thank them for their efforts.

Ordinarily the Board is pictured during a meeting. However, this year we photographed the Board of Education as they stood with us during graduation. Although it was our night, it was theirs too in the sense that many of their decisions have helped us to our place.

Above: Mr. Kenneth Tewell, Superintendent of Unified District #204.
Left: J.R. Nolting, Vice-President, Ray Cox, Garland M. Smith, Jr., and Gail Shepard, President of the Board.
Below Left: Mrs. Elaine Jordan and Dr. Theodore A. Stolfus.
Below Right: Mrs. Diane Toland and Dr. C.M. Glendening, Assistant Superintendent.
Under the vigilant eye of each of these men, Bonner Springs High School functions for the maximum students attending. Their watchfulness, their interest and their caring make us like them and trust them. What more can you ask!
Transcripts, typing paper, telephones, tardies, you name it, they've got it, and they'll get it for you. Our secretaries spend their days helping students and faculty. Not a minute goes by without an emergency they have to handle. Peggy Spillman, everyone's favorite nurse, reads the parents' notes and decides whether or not you're sick.
Between the Guidance Department and the Library, we are provided with all the necessary help and resources for making decisions, writing papers, reading materials, reference materials and whatever else we want within means.

The Library and the librarians are a constant source of information we need for class work, for our interests and our hobbies and for our recreation.

Guidance and the counselors keep us informed about our available choices after high school, our national test scores, our grade average while in school. They assist us by offering us available information about scholarships and grants and encourage us to take advantage of whatever opportunities they know about.

Top Left: Mrs. Elsie Hughes, Head Librarian.
Bottom Left: Mrs. Bette Carbery, Assistant Librarian.
Top Right: Roger Mignot, Guidance Counselor.
Bottom Right: Mrs. Ardys Kenyan, Guidance Counselor.
A Touch of Class. . .Music, Arts and Crafts

These four teachers introduce us to our own talents and creativity in a manner that makes us become more aware of our talents. Some of us are exposed for the first time to our own ability to do a craft or an art or to interpret a piece of music and we have a new feeling about ourselves.

Both Mrs. Knowles and Ms. Horvath introduce to new media to work with in their arts and crafts courses. Mr. Berg and Mr. Miles introduce us to composers and music and lyrics that we have never heard or sung before.

Before the four of them they give us new skills that we will be able to use for our recreation or our enjoyment. And they introduce us to new levels of cultural enjoyment. These are things that will go on throughout our lifetimes.

Top Left: Mrs. Mary Knowles, Crafts.
Bottom Left: Linda Horvath, Art and Photo art.
Top Right: Larry Berg, Instrumental Music.
Bottom Right: Mitch Miles, Vocal Music.
The Language Arts Department is the largest in the school and provides us with a variety of courses and teachers and skills. With the mini-courses during our junior and senior year, we are able to learn the language arts skills in areas that we prefer and that we have a special interest in.

Upper Left: Mrs. Chris Wood, Freshman English, Composition, Library Research, Mystery and Horror.
Middle Left: Mrs. Doris Stith, English Literature, American Novel, Composition, Mythology, Science Fiction.
Lower Left: Mrs. Angela Wind, Freshmen English, Journalism, Magazines and Newspaper.
Upper Right: Mrs. Georgeana Mattingly, Learning Laboratory.
Lower Right: Miss Pat Sheley, Sophomore English, Language of Persuasion, Consumer English.
In our four years in the Language Arts department we find ourselves given the opportunity to enjoy a wide variety of literature from the Bible to the American Novel. We are given reading laboratory experience to increase our reading skills and our speed.

We learn to use the library in every way and to produce a comprehensive paper from that use. We learn about the psychology of words that persuade us and that we use to persuade others and we learn to be more familiar with the language and words of the marketplace.

We get the opportunity to be in play productions whether we like to act and audition for a part or whether we enjoy being a member of the crew.

All of these increase our ability to read, write, listen, understand, discuss and appreciate.
The mathematics department helps us to understand the relationships between numbers, amounts, costs, and on into the abstract where it helps us understand rules, laws, formulas etc. From the everyday use of math to balance a check book to the unraveling of the mysterious of the binary.

Under the careful watch of these experienced teachers, we are challenged, amused and we learn.

Upper Left: Mrs. Muriel Jared.
Middle Left: Mr. Kevin Moore.
Lower Left: Mr. James Chambers.
How To Succeed In Business...

Under these four teachers we learn about the world of business, business law, typing, shorthand, data processing, accounting distribution and careers in the business world. With their help we learn the importance of accuracy, speed, deadlines, rules and the many other things that prepare us for the labor market. To a graduating senior, a job is "Where it's at." A senior graduating who has had all the courses in the business education department usually has a job before graduation.

Top Right: Mrs. Deena French.
Upper Middle Right: Mr. John Heckathorne.
Lower Middle Right: Mrs. Debbie Mallory.
Lower Right: Mr. Ted Stephens.
"How I Wonder What You Are. . ."

The science department is the only placed where we can ask questions and not get the usual answer... "I'll explain later"... "You're too young to know..." or "What do you want to know that for..."

Here we can question and even experiment to find the answer to our questions. We find here the meaning of the lines the King says in "The King and I"... "Very often find confusion in conclusion I concluded long ago."

"But... is a puzzlement!"

Upper Left: Mr. Dennis Wilson.
Lower Left: Mr. Dick Nelson.
Foreign languages, foreign cultures, and all that goes with it are offered to students of French and Spanish. History of the society, past and present, tastes, art, politics, social customs all make for an interesting year...and students learn to use the language as they go along. Trips to ethnic restaurants, art galleries and plays are a part of the fun in the courses.

Top Right: Mrs. Pat Sears.
Bottom Right: Mrs. Marsha Nelson.
Isn't easy to teach young idealists about the past and present in this world. . .and help them face the future. But under these astute members of the social science department, history, government, psychology, geography, and social science survey are used to give students clues to their jobs as conscientious, voting citizens. The politics of the world, the country and the community are looked at both critically and optimistically. And no one leaves Bonner Springs High School without knowing his fullest responsibility as a voting citizen.
Under the enthusiastic interest of two teachers, the Home Economics department has a variety of courses which give students skills in life's everyday problems and decisions. From child care to interior decorating, from boiling an egg to preparing a dinner for a group, from sewing on a button to making an expensive garment, students are carefully guided through the simple and complex problems in everyday living. They learn eventually to be self-sufficient... able to care for their simple needs and their more complex ones.

Top Right: Mrs. Sharilyn Honachi.
Bottom Right: Mrs. Martha Chandley.
Industrial Arts, always the step-child of a school curriculum, is becoming more and more vital as technology races on. Students in this department are given a glimpse of the technology which will serve as profitable careers, bring them satisfactory occupations plus make all of our lives more interesting and more comfortable.

With this bird's eye view of the world's advanced technology, students realize how much more they must know in order to be a part of the technological world and that is a big discovery.
In a required two year program, these teachers give us their knowledge in showing us how to use our bodies to their fullest potential. ..and to keep them fit for top-notch performance.

Besides the regular two years, they have an additional program for advanced physical education for extra conditioning of our developing bodies. With a variety of machines that stretch, pull and extend us, we learn maximum movement and gradually achieve maximum coordination.

In addition to these processes, they coach us in a variety of sports, helping us to learn the skills we will use to keep our bodies in condition, for relaxation and pure enjoyment. Physical education helps us compete with ourselves in learning to use our full physical potential for skills, relaxation and recreation.

Upper Left: Joe Mintner.
Upper Right: Carl Taylor.
Lower Left: Freda Reynolds.
Lower Right: Bob Chatterton.
They Conquer the "Back Roads" to Bring Us In to School

Left to Right: Luevenia McClelland, Martha Sipes, Mary Bates, Carol Sharp, Wood... , Maxine Wright, Lena Smith, Connie Vickers, Mary Roland, Pansy Storey, Connie Carpenter, Janet Wilcox, and Don Harding, Supervisor of Buildings, Grounds and Transportation.

"Downstairs, Upstairs"
They Track Us and Clean Up Our Tracks.

Cleaning up after nearly 700 of us is a job not even our own parents would want to be charged with, but these custodians not only clean up after us but they are our friends. They learn to know us by name, they help us when we need to find something or move something. They never refuse us when they can help us be more comfortable. And our school is always clean and orderly. . . thanks to their work and their energies.

Transporting some 2,000 students to and from school is a big job and a bigger responsibility. But, because they care for us, they do this important job patiently and carefully and we appreciate their efforts even though we don’t express it or show it.

Grady Vaugh, Head Custodian.

Ron Stean

Dwayne Kerby
Without the Golden Arch of McDonald's or the Colonel's Bucket of Chicken, these women produce meals and a salad bar that we can trust for nourishment. They are: (left column, top to bottom) Evelyn Conn, Ida Campbell, and Helen Walder. Right column, top to bottom: Dora Pickett, Effie Kimlin, Betty Wason. Not shown: Alice Hauetter and Geraldine Thompson.
Final Showing: 1980-81
Sharing the Night Together

Above: Dan Beebe and Diane Shockey look cozy.
Below: Becky Molder and Jamie Harris try to say "cheese" for the photographer.

Above right: Tom Beebe and Carole McGraw read their Prom program. Above: John Colgan and Gayleene Duley enjoy the sharing.

Donald Whitaker is serious for a moment for this picture with his date.

Above: Danny Ballou and Melody Smith sport the biggest smiles of the evening. Below: Steve Sill with top hat and cane shows his date a "sporting" good time.
Mary Stephan and Terry Ballard look happy in the corner. Far left: John Bickel and his date relax between dances.

Above: DaJuana Quillan and her date find a cozy corner to "talk." Right: Joe Saunders and Patty Stoneking seem to be dreaming.

Scott Durham and Missy Zuber stopped by the Prom before going downtown to dine.

Nick Parlmentere and Karen Fockele enjoy sounds of the music.

Congratulations to the Class of '81 from Bonner Springs Florist
Becki Bernard and Tom Wier look like they are about ready for some mischief.

Troy Brady and Karen Ford had to show their I.D. to get in.

Paul Meier shows his date how well he can hold his punch.

The Clothes Horse extends Best Wishes to the Class of '81.
Baccalaureate: A Solemn Ceremony
The Moment to Remember
Proud Graduates Receive Diplomas
A Bunch of Glad Grads
The Film: The Totem Pole...1980-81
A Documentary of the Bonner Braves

Director: Melody Smith.
Producer: Mrs. Angela Wind.
Cast: The Bonner Springs High School Braves.
Special Effects: Totem Pole Class. Brad Bond, Tim McGraw,
Leslie Davis, Tammy Stude, Bill Rehm, Terry Lohmann, Chris Heimann.
Cover: Kecia Stolfus, Jill Smith and Melody Smith.
Melody Smith, Director, Yearbook Editor.

* * * * Excellent (don't miss this one)
* * * Good (worth watching)
* * Fair (has its moments)
* Poor (disaster)

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