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## WELCOME TO THE HOME OF THE BLACKHAWKS



## Oxford Academy is . . .





Determined . . .


different . . .




Studious . . .




Working . . .





1969 was
another year in her history, but just once in our lifetime.



SPECIAL EVENTS



1968 Homecoming Candidates. SEA TED: Connie Holbrook, Lynne Schmidt, Kathy Loughren, Carolyn Cheseboro. STANDING: Marsha Blum, Elaine Lashway, Helen Popovczak, Mary Preston, Sue Rood, Diane Tansey, Vikki Titchner, Patti Van Guilder.

## Homecoming 1968

Whispering Autumn



Preparing for the big night.


Greg Walker and the Rock Garden furnished the music for the dance.

The class of 1969 presented "Whispering Autumn, "the 1968 Homecoming, on October 19, 1968. The Blackhawk's victorious football game helped to make Homecoming a very special memory. Highlighting the dance were last year's queen and king, Chris Hart and Jim Lobdell, who crowned the 1968 Homecoming Queen Carolyn Cheseboro and her escort David Beckwith. The court included first princess Sue Rood, escorted by Rodney Bosworth, and second princess Patti Van Guilder, escorted by Charles Brigham, Marsha Blum and Tom Fowlston, Mary Preston and Tim Fowlston, Lynne Schmidt and Ron Winner, Kathy Loughren and Ron Behe, Diane Tansey and George Howe, Vikki Titchner and Martin Tefft, Elaine Lashway and Larry Covell, and Helen Popovezak and Matt Sherman, and Connie Holbrook and John James.


King David and Queen Carolyn, the 1968 royal couple, sit before past king and queen Jim and Chris.


## Frosty sensation

The lights were low, the beat was loud, and the mood was soul swaying. All this plus the fast moving sound of the Bethnall Green made the 1969 Sno-ball a swinging success.




Oriental

> Evening

The class of 1969 presented their Junior Prom "Oriental Evening" featuring the Silver Crown Orchestra on May 25, 1968. The fantasy of colors covering the gigantic fan accented the throne and set the mood for the coming excitement of the evening and the coronation. To climax the festivities, Dorothy Hill and Jay Moore were crowned Queen and King by last year's Queen Debbie Rice.



## 1968 Junior Prom Court

Marsha Blum, Thomas Fowleston; Elaine Lashway, John Johnson; princess Carolyn Chesebro, Andrew Finch; 1968 Junior Prom King and Queen Jay Moore and Dorothy Hill; princess Kathy Loughren, Ronald Behe; Sheila Gyles, Jerry Locke; Susan Cooper, Steven Gustin. Pages are Brian Pals and Jolinda Nelson.



Contestants were: Elaine D'Ambra, Alan Dutton, Donald Sheldon, David Walsh, Helen Popovczak, and Susan Barrows

## Oratorical contest

December 2nd was a big day for the three students who won the American Legion Oratorical Contest. An assignment about the United States Constitution was given to sophmores, juniors and seniors. Out of these, six finalists were chosen. With Mrs. Grimes to assist them, the six wrote their speeches and gave them at an assembly. The County American Legion judged the local contest. Don Sheldon took first place, Alan Dutton, second, and David Walsh, third. Congratulations to Don for also winning first place at the County contest and proceeding into the regionals.



This year the Bausch and Lomb Science Award was presented to Barbara Lorimer by Mr. Paser.


Oxford is proud of Gary Oliver who participated in the Orange Bowl Golf Tournament.


State Fair Champions
This summer at the New York State Fair at Syracuse the drum major team of Sheila Gyles and Rick Duell were given first place honors.

Congratulations go to Michael Webb for being selected out of 600 applicants from ten states to be a member of the All-Eastern Division High School Band. This band performed at the biennial meeting of the Music Educators National Conference in Washington, D. C. During his stay there with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Herfort, he visited the Capitol, had lunch at the Congress Dining Room, and met Congressman Samuel Stratton.


Matt Sherman gets into the swing of things as our new drum major.



Left: Pr . . . Pra . . . Pro

Right: In 1789 . . .



Left: Where's that . . .

Right: Who said ten points for your name?


Left: Keep your eyes on the copy
Right: Here comes the mob . .


## ACADEMICS




## BOARD OF

 EDUCATIONcounterclockwise: Mr. Robert Seymour, Mr. Frederick Tinker, Mr. Lewis Ford, Mr. Vincent Weidman, Mr. Baumes Marshman, Mr. Paul Seehausen absent: Mrs. Barbara Whittaker

## DISTRICT PRINCIPAL

Mr. Fredrick D. Tinker has received his B.A. and M.A. degree from Hartwick College and from Syracuse University. Mr. Tinker is our District Principal and has the difficult task of supervising both the Elementary and the High Schools.


## HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Lawrence Paser obtained his B.A. and M. S. Ed. degree from Alfred University of Buffalo. Mr. Paser is our High School Principal and we commend him on the fine job he has done in his effort to raise the standard of our education.



## GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

Mrs. Fowlston is a graduate of the State University College at Oneonta. Once a homemaking teacher, she now is part of our Guidance System.

Miss Trimmingham is a graduate of Keuka College. She is our Senior High Guidance Counselor. Miss Trimmingham helps each of us to choose the courses we will need.

## SECRETARIAL STAFF

Mrs. Fowlston, Mrs. Moors, Mrs. Roys, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Barber.



Library

Mrs. Walsh is our librarian and a graduate of State University College at Albany. She is also an advisor to the Yearbook Staff. Mrs. Walsh runs a fine library and a quiet study hall.

## Art

Mr. Noah is a new member to our faculty. He is an art major who attended Bethany College and Fort Hayes Kansas State College. Mr. Noah is a fine addition to Oxford Academy.


## Music



Mr. Herfort attended Ithaca College. He is now director of instrumental music in junior and senior high school and advisor to the dance band.

Mr. Schmitt attends Hartwick College and practiced teaching his major, music, under Mr. Herfort at the beginning of the year.

Mrs. Barnes attended Ithaca College and now teaches vocal music. She directs the junior and senior choruses and also is the advisor of the Madrigals.


A discussion about music.

## Math department

Mrs. Roberts teaches mathematics and attended Houghton College. Besides being a Freshman Advisor, Mrs. Roberts also is the advisor for the National Honor Society and the Chairman of the mathematics department.

Mr. Ben Nelson attended Colgate University and Louisiana College as a mathematic major. Besides his math classes, Mr. Nelson coaches the J.V. basketball and cross country teams.

Mr . Mortensen is a graduate of State University College at Cortland and is a mathematics teacher. He has been an advisor to the Class of 1969 for the past four years.

Mrs. Best is a mathematics teacher and attended the State University College at Potsdam.


Mrs. Detweiler attended the State University at Albany as a business major. She is an advisor to the Senior Class having followed them since their Freshman year. The Senior Class is thankful for Mrs. Detweiler's sincere effort and time.

Mr. Lanning is a graduate of Bloomsburg State College and teaches business courses. He is the bowling advisor.

Miss Bull is a graduate of Keuka College and teaches courses in business. She is the Student Council advisor. Miss Bull also helps the treasurers of the various organizations and classes.


## Business department

The teachers supervise their students carefully.


English



Miss Anderson received her degree in English at the State University College at Geneseo. She is one of our new teachers and has the 12 th grade English classes.

Miss Snedeker is an English major of Hartwick College. She is Chairman of the English Department and teaches Jr. High English. Miss Snedeker is also an advisor to the Yearbook Staff.

Mrs. Swertsfager attended State University of New York at Albany where she majored in English. She is one of our new English teachers.


## French and Latin

Miss Bowers attended Syracuse University where she majored in Latin. She is presently teaching Latin.

Miss Mowry is a French major from Syracuse University and Middlebury College. She is advisor to the French Club which meets to practice the French language.

Mr. Brillinger, a graduate of Wilkes College, teaches English. He also assists the coaches with the football and wrestling teams.

Mr. John Nelson was an English major from the University of Scranton, the University of Maryland, and the State University College at Cortland. He teaches Senior High English.

Mrs. Grimes, graduate of Harpur College, Syracuse University, Wells College and Colgate University, now teaches English. She is very active in fields concerning English, and we thank her for her help with the American Legion Speeches.


Mr. Bazer comes to us from Louisiana College and Louisiana Tech, where he majored in Science. Mr. Bazer coaches cross country and basketball.

Mr. Gohl is a graduate from State University College at Oneonta where he was a science major.

Mr. Vartuli graduated from State University College at Cortland where he majored in science. He is our football coach and a wrestling coach. Mr. Vartuli has brought to our school the desire to win academically as well as in sports.

Mr. Velton is graduate of State University College at Albany where he was a science major.


Oh, I hope $I^{\prime} m$ doing this right.


Science

Do you think it will blow up?



## History

Mr. Lowe attended Syracuse University, State University College at Oneonta, and Colgate University and teaches citizenship education. He is an advisor to the junior class. Mr. Lowe also coaches the varsity basketball team.

Mr. Souders attended Hartwick College and Syracuse University and majored in citizenship education. Mr. Souders is a freshman advisor and coaches junior high football.

Mr. Smarsh attended the State University at Oswego. He now teaches citizenship education.
Mr. Walsh is a graduate of the State University at Albany and a citizenship education teacher. He is chairman of the historv department. Mr. Walsh was voted teacher of the year by the Teachers' Association.

Mr. Lanfear attended Marietta College and majored in citizenship education. He is advisor to the Yorker Club. Mr. Lanfear also coaches junior high football.

## INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Mr. Batterman attended State University College at Oswego and now teaches Industrial Arts. The faculty and students appreciate Mr. Batterman's willingness to be helpful and cooperative.

## HOME ECONOMICS

Miss Karst attended State University College at Plattsburgh and now teaches Home Economics. She has taught summer school and found the experience enjoyable.

## AGRICULTURE

Mr. Vogelgsang attended Syracuse University and now teaches Agriculture. He also is an advisor of the Future Farmers of America. After 36 years, Mr. Vogelgsang will be retiring this year. He will be missed by faculty and students.



Mr. Buddenhagen is a student gym teacher, practicing for his future profession. He is a Senior at Cortland College where he is majoring in Physical Education.

Mr. McCan is a student teacher helping out with gym classes and wrestling. He attends Cortland College where he is a Senior majoring in Physical Education.


The students practice the skills they are taught.



Mr. Doyle is a graduate of Springfield College where he was physical education major. He is the head of the Athletic Department here at Oxford Academy.

Miss Gollnitz is a graduate of Ithaca College where she was a physical education major. She is advisor to our cheerleaders. Miss Gollnitz is the girl's physical education teacher andintramural advisor.

Mr. Leslie was a student physical education teacher from State University College at Cortland. Mr. Leslie helped coach the Junior High Football team.

Mr. Malloy was a student physical education teacher from the State University College at Cortland. Mr. Malloy helped coach the Junior High Football team.

Mrs. Smith is our school nurse and a graduate of Binghamton City Hospital. Mrs. Smith is the Red Cross advisor.



## Cafeteria staff

Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. O' Connor, Mrs. Bartle, Mrs. Stafford, Mrs. Allmendinger, Mrs. Biviano, Mrs. Finch.

Mrs. Doyle


Mrs. Charles



## Bus drivers

FRONT ROW: R. Davis. SECOND ROW: F. Magrath, P. Wright, J. Wall, W. Hemstrought, P. Carroll, J. Root, W. Barrows, R. Beckwith, K. Race, L. Saxby, J. Duell, A. Barrows, F. Christian, N. Law. THIRD ROW: F. Christian.

## Custodians

RIGHT: William Frair and John Biviano.



Study hall
scenes



## Valedictorian

Barbara Lorimer



Edward Lawton

## SENIOR HONORS

FRONT ROW: Mary Preston, business; Susan Rood, home economics; Connie Holbrook, physical education; Patti Van Guilder, history; Barbara Lorimer, English, science, French, instrumental music; SECOND ROW: Dennis Carey, physical education; Charles Vigus, agriculture; Edward Lawton, mathematics; Andy Finch, vocal music; Stanley Ryberg, industrial arts; Richard Seehausen, art



Mr. Mortensen


Mrs. Detweiler


Mr. Nelson

## Class advisors and officers

Tom Fitzgerald--Vice-President; Dorothy Hill--Secretary; Mary Preston--President; Jim Maynard-- Treasurer.



Clair Barber


Mickael Barrows

Marsha Blum


Daniel Bosworth



Elizabeth Bryden


Dennis Carey


Carolyn Chesebro

Arthur Crumb



Albert Franklin

Steven Gustin



Dorothy Hill
Ross Joscelyn
Barbara Krygier
Elaine Lashway
Edwin Horton

Edward Lawton



Barbara Lorimer

James Maynard

Kathleen Loughren

Edward McGowan

Michael Marso
Nancy Mayhew James Meek



Janet Menard Sharon Phillips

Patrick Phinney
Helen Popovczak
Mary Preston



Michael Race

Leanne Russock



Lynne Schmidt


Richard Seehausen


David Seiler

Mary Shore


Nicholas Sylstra


Diane Tansey



Vikki Titchener

Charles Vigus


Peter VanderLaan

Dennis Youngs


Patricia Van Guilder



Peter VanderLaan

This is an interview with Peter by Patti Van Guilder during his stay at Oxford Academy.

QUESTION: Peter, as reported before, you are from the Netherlands, but would you tell our readers where exactly you are from?

ANSWER: My hometown is Deventer and it is situated in the middle-east of the Netherlands, about two hours driving east of Amsterdam and about one and a half hours west of the German border.

QUESTION: Do you find the people very different here?
ANSWER: No, I don't think people over here are much different from the Dutch. If an American with a Dutch name like yours walked around the Netherlands, nobody would notice you are from the United States.

QUESTION: What have you done, since you have been here, that was of interest?

ANSWER: Well, of course, I have learned some English. Since Dutch is spoken only in the Netherlands, Belgium, and South Africa and since the Netherlands through its trade is a very international nation, you have to know English, French and German if you want to achieve something. I am glad I am picking up some English in America. I have met some interesting people and made some fascinating trips, and of course, I have come to school sometimes.

QUESTION: Do you think our school is very different?
ANSWER: Yes, school is very different. In Oxford all students go to the same school. In the Netherlands, we have six different types of high schools, so every Dutch student attends a type of high school that fits his intelligence. I finished my schooling in the Netherlands. I think education in the United States and the Netherlands is very much alike. We have to take a lot more courses and we have to work harder, but on the other hand you can take many more interesting and funny courses.

QUESTION: What is the best or your favorite finding in the United States?
ANSWER: My favorite finding was cereal for breakfast. I am going to take that over to the Netherlands. Of course, Halloween is funny too, although shaving cream is quite expensive over here.

QUESTION: Do you find our social life much different? Sports?
ANSWER: Well, I am from a city with a very rich cultural life, a lot of movie theaters, discotheques, cafes, and youth groups; whereas, you live in a small village. Therefore, social life is very different, yes. We do not have sports in school. We have to join private sports clubs; therefore, you do more sports.

QUESTION: Do you think Oxford is a good representative of the United States and do the attitudes reflect those you feel are the attitudes of the United States in general?

ANSWER: I could not say, simply because I do not know much about other people in other areas. Oxford might be a good representative of rural America, but I would not bet my Dutch head on it. I hope I will be able to answer these questions before I return to my mother country after seeing more of this country.

## Class History

We, the class of 1969, were the first to complete our entire high school education in the new Jr. -Sr. High School. As Freshmen we elected the following officers: president: Diane Tansey, vice-president: Mike Race, secretary: Sue Rood, and treasurer: Thedia Davies.

In our Sophomore year, we started filling our treasury by selling refreshments at all the home football games. At Christmas time, we added more to the fund by selling decorations and card holders.

That year, our class was led by president: Nick Sylstra, vice-president: Patti Van Guilder, secretary: Nancy Mayhew, and treasurer: Mary Preston.

Our Junior Year was a big one. As officers we had Patti VanGuilder as president, Dorothy Hill as vicepresident, Carolyn Chesebro as secretary, and Dennis Carey as treasurer. Our magazine sale put us far ahead financially. The top salesmen were Albert Franklin and Andy Finch.

That year, three of our classmates were tapped for the Honor Society. They were Susan Cooper, Edward Lawton, and Barbara Lorimer.

To climax our successful year, we had our Junior Prom, Oriental Evening, with music by the Silver Crown Orchestra. The setting was decorated with pastel shades of green, yellow, pink, aqua, and lavender. It was accented by a ten foot fan and an oriental bridge. The evening was highlighted by the crowning of the King and Queen, Jay Moore and Dorothy Hill. Princesses were Kathy Loughren, escorted by Ron Behe, and Carolyn Chesebro, escorted by Andy Finch.

At last we have reached our goal. We are Seniors. Our officers are Mary Preston as president, Tom Fitzgerald as vice-president, Dorothy Hill as secretary, and Jim Maynard as treasurer.

The first big event of the year was the Homecoming Dance, Whispering Autumn. The music was by Gregg Walker and the Rock Garden. The Queen was Carolyn Chesebro escorted by David Beckwith. Runners-up were Sue Rood escorted by Rodney Bosworth and Patti VanGuilder escorted by Charles Brigham. The victorious football game over Unatego helped to make this a very special weekend.

On November 16, the Seniors put on their play, Grammercy Ghost, directed by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson. It was a very enjoyable event with many ghostly moments that won't be forgotten.

Our Freshman advisors were Mr. Mortensen, Mr. Rader, and Miss Mowry. From our sophomore to our Senior year they were Mrs. Detweiler, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Mortensen. We would like to thank them for a job well done!


Boy's and Girl's State Tom Fitzgerald, Helen Popovczak, Nick Sylstra.


Oustanding Teenager Award Barbara Lorimer, Michael Marso.



ABOVE: Mr. Vartuli helps Nancy Mayhew and Marsha Blum with a lab experiment.


CLASSES



## Class of 1970

President--Francene $\mathrm{O}^{\prime}$ Connor; Vice-President--Joan Ross; Secretary-Linda Denz; Treasurer--Chris Utter.

Patricia Armondi Richard Barrows Sharon Barrows Susan Barrows Willard Bradley


Ruth Braisted William Branham Debra Carlin Edward Cashman Helen Castaldy

Anita Cooper Gordon Cronk Peter Cummings Fredrick Davis Thomas Davis


Reid DeLoatch Daniel Deuel Donald Eldred Michael Eldred Kenneth Fagnani

Connie Finch
Lewis Ford
Thomas Fowlston Tim Fowlston Daniel Furnare



Colleen Lewis Jerry Locke Gary Loomis Larry Loomis Thomas Loughren


Erwin MacLaury Wilma MacLaury Charles Madison Darla Manheim Jean McGowan

Debra Menard Marsha Mohr Brenda Morley Mary Nelson Sandra Nichols


Debra Niles
Stephen Ohl
Gary Oliver
Ronald Paden
Catherine Parker



Class
of
1971

Officers: Karen Quinn, Jim Race, Gary Eldred, Mitch Race.

Rodney Aldrich Patrick Arnold Ronald Baker Catherine Bates John Bierman


Linda Black
Susan Braisted Paul Branham Cortland Bryant Joe Burdick

Laurie Carroll Paul Carroll Frank Cerar JoAnn Cummings Katrina Davis


Phyllis Diamond David Dunckel Kathy Faasse John Fagnani Terry Finch


George Howe
Larry Kozlowski Lynn Kramnich Marcia Lashway Thomas Lawton

James Loomis
Steven Manheim
Teresa Manley Charles McMullen Walter Meade


Rex Moore Teary Moore Thomas Morack Michael Newbauer Marsha Niles

Margaret $\mathrm{O}^{\prime}$ Connor Andrea Paino Janet Paser Dianna Phillips Jeffrey Rice


Mary Rice Colleen Roach Jane Roach Janet Roach Robert Roberts




Kim Root
Lorna Ross
Dwight Rucker
Michael Ryan
Deborah Ryberg

Douglas Schlafer
Willard Searfoss
Mary Seehausen Donald Sheldon Matthew Sherman


Gretchen Steffen Edward Stevenson Nancy Sutherlin Clayton Svenson Ray Swartout

Richard Swartout Thomas Taronto Linda Tefft Scott Titchener Arthur Torrey


Linda
Van Der Eems

Melinda Wall


David
Walsh
Karen
Welsh



Harry Williams


Sylvia Yale


Gail Preston, George Potter Susan Race, Beverly Stone

Class of 1972

Ramona Aldrich Meryt Allmendinger Greg Ardon




Dianna Armondi Donna Armondi Denise Barber


David Barrows Stephen Barrows Ward Barrows Paula Batterman Charles Beckwith

Carol Benedict Richard Black William Blake Dan Bonpietro Cathy Bradley


Nancy Braisted Kathy Bryden Elvis Byard Doug las Carkuff Chris Carlin

Lanny Carroll Joe Castaldy Craig Champlin Mark Christian Sandra Collins


Thomas Collins Debra Cox Tony Crandall Douglas Cronk Craig Cunningham


Irvin Davis Marlene Driesbaugh Dennis Finch Sharon Finch Delmar Franklin

Neal Franklin
Donald Golden John Greenwood
Michael Gustin
Michael Hubschmitt


Daphne Hunter Randy Ingraham David Johnson Kathy Jones Mitzie Knapp

James Lawton Jane Lewis Gregory Lobdell Steven Locke Ray Loughren



Denise Stringham Donald Swartout Debbie Tefft James Townsend Robert Tracy

Thomas Volk Gary Wakefield Annie Walker Adam Wall Dennis Walsh


## James Walton

Kenneth Wheeler Kristin Wheeler Ronald Willis Kathleen Youngs


JUNIOR HIGH



Deborah McKenzie
Joanne Quinn
Robert Branham

## Eighth grade

FRONT ROW: D. Fitzgerald, K. Furnare, C. Cummings, B. Cooke, L. Hicks, M. Bradley, C. Carey, D. DuMond, F. Fassett. SECOND ROW: P. Hamilton, M. Chapmen, J. Barrows, C. Cobb, E. Gyles, D. Genung, W. Harvey, B. Cashman. THIRD ROW: J. Davies, R. Branham, T. Hodge, B. Duell, K. Doyle, S. Bon Pietro, R. Bryant, T. Bush, R. Armondi, M. Cashman, M. George, T. Franklin, C. Cobb, L. Harrison, L. Daily, J. Baker, L. Burdick, J. Daily, C. Barrows, K. Batterman, L. Davis, D. Deuel, A. Charles.



FRONT ROW: D. Irvin, L. Manheim, D. McKenzie, D. Potter, D. Pittsley, D. Kozlowski, B. Huckabone, D. Moore, R. Moors. SECOND ROW: K. Lorimer, R. Grier, K. Cooper, R. Place, R. Lobdell, C. Potter, A. Kruger, J. Mudge. THIRD ROW: D. Knapp, D. Ives, W. Johnson, A. Lewis, C. Lewis, L. Houghtaling, D. Mead, B. Mead, I. Mead, D. Poland, V. Henry, M. Phoenix, K. Orr, J. Monroe, R. Howard, G. Nicholson, L. Mohr, D. Moore, M. McGowan, T. Niles, M. Long.

FRONT ROW: T. Whittaker, S. Swartout, K. Williams, J. Washburn, S. Searfoss, C. Welsh, P. Shapley, J. Smith. SECOND ROW: T. Race, T. Sabines, H. Wayman, B. Svenson, L. Throne, S. Tucker, C. Torre, R. Rice. THIRD ROW: G. Roys, S. Sutherlin, J. Van Der Eems, D. Stevenson, P. Tansey, M. Tompkins, R. Root, J. Preston, J. Quinn, K. Simpson, N. Rice, B. Troxell, S. Taylor, S. Stratton, D. Ryberg, R. Westcott, G. Tucker, R. Whittaker, J. Winner, J. Tefft.



Carol Cummings
Randy Northrup Michael Marks

## Seventh grade

FRONT ROWs L. Carey, L. Batterman, A. Fowlston, D. Ardron, R. Barrows, C. Cummings, S. Fairchild, A. Fagnani. SECOND ROW: D. Benedict, J. Carmody, P. Eldred, S. Cobb, L. Bell, D. Campman, P. Fry. THIRD ROW: R. Boyer, J. Dewey, D. Baker, J. Duell, W. Boname, J. Finch, M. Charles, D. Eldred, T. Beckwith, J. Barrows, M. Cole, J. Deuel, G. Carmody, M. Diamond, G. Dewey, R. DuMond.



FRONT ROW: R. Howe, T. Jones, R. Jacobs, M. Hendrickson, M. Lawton, A. Kenyon, P. Gates, J. Kramnien, D. Natoli. SECOND ROW: J. Kulakosky, K. Meek, R. Hilton, T. Ives, V. Mead, M. McMullen, C. Lawton. THIRD ROW: J. Johnson, D. Hatton, E. Hemstrought, D. McGowan, M. Marks, R. Moore, E. Hughes, C. Grewe, G. Mohr, J. Locke, J. Gustin, L. Harrison, J. Loughren, B. Hinckley, C. Mangels.

FRONT ROW: T. Place, T. Ohl, R. Quinn, M. Roach, T. Simpson, L. Ross, R. Northrup, P. Root. SECOND ROW, J. Poland, L. Nightengale, D. Searfoss, S. Schwager, K. Smith, T. Schneider, D. Orr. THIRD ROW: K. Simpson, C. Newbauer, K. Norton, H. Paser, J. Smith, R. Oralls, M. Smith, M. Ross, R. Porter, J. Root, E. Ryan, L. Ross, D. Samson, W. Ortholano.



FRONT ROW: A. Stratton, G. Steffen, R. Tracy, T. Tefft, J. Taylor, H. Wells, E. Vigus, R. Wakefield. SECOND ROW: T. Webb, K. Stringham, J. Stone, L. Winter, J. Swartout, J. Wall. THIRD ROW: R. Van Der Eems, C. Webb, D. Stiles, H. Stein, C. Swartout, L. Tucker, S. Stilwell, B. Townsend, D. Utter, D. Tucker, J. Youngs, P. Troxell, N. Westcott.


The Junior High found out how tough life really is.




SITTING: B. Lorimer, M. Blum, M. Marso, P. VanGuilder, B. J. Stratton, S. Titchener, A. Cooper, S. Howard, H. Popovczak, A. Crumb. KNEELING: F. O'Connor, E. Youngs, D. Ryberg, M. Galletly, H. Titchener, N. Mayhew, D. Williams. STANDING: N. Sylstra, J. Maynard, L. Ford, H. Williams, R. Seehausen, E. Lawton, L. Van Der Eems, D. Niles, M. Seehausen, M. Ryan, R. Roach, E. D'Ambra, D. Genung, S. Ohl.

French Club
F.F.A.
R. Morley, D. Wall, Mr. Vogelgsang, S. Barrows, L. Loomis, M. Newbauer, G. Gates, M. Morgan, W. Tefft, C. Vigus, S. Ryan, D. Williams, L. Loomis, R. Joscelyn, E. McGowan.


## High School Red Cross



SEATED: Brenda Youngs, Kathleen Youngs, Leanne Russock, Mary Shore STANDING: Mrs. Smith, Linda Russock, Mary Galletly, Archie Shay, Sandra Alger

The High School Red Cross sponsors a foster child, who is an orphan in Korea. Kang Jaug Ja is sixteen years old. We receive letters from her usually twice a year. We are able to get money to sponsor her by selling candy at basketball games.

High School Red Cross has planned the following projects for this year. They are: Placeholders for the trays at Bidas at Thanksgiving, Christmas caroling at Bidas.

We purchased a mirror which will be presented to the Oxford Academy \& Central School in memory of Betty Monroe.


SITTING ON GROUND: J. Paser, P. Arnold, P. Batterman; FIRST ROW: L. Stafford, D. Walsh, B. Stone, T. Smith; SECOND ROW: A. Torre, J. Lewis, D. Stringham, D. Walsh, M. Race, D. Wheeler, M. Blum, T. Fitzgerald; THIRD ROW: D. Marno, A. Cooper, G. Hicks, W. Hewitt, D. Genung, C. Stratton, P. Phinney, F. Cerar; FOURTH ROW: V. Mangels, F. Finch, E. Youngs, T. Hinckley, A. Finch, L. Marso, C. Brigham, M. Sherman.

## Drama club

## SENIOR PLAY

"Gramercy Ghost" by John Holmes was a hit this year with the seniors and the audience, who obviously enjoyed the play on November 16th. The play told the story of a young journalist (Duffy Hill) who inherits a ghost, Nathaniel Coombes (Pat Phinney), and has trouble explaining him to her fiance (Andy Finch) and a newspaper reporter (Douglas Genung). Supporting cast members were: Barbara Lorimer, Willa Hewitt, Rich Seehausen, Steve Gustin, Charlie Brigham, Mary Preston, Kathy Loughren and Patti Van Guilder.



The Drama Club this year has nearly doubled its membership, along with getting a new and talented director, Mr. Robert Anderson of Nomvich. The program itself has also widened to include a senior play, a three-act play, and several one-act plays, some of which were taken to competition at Afton and Cortland. The program also carried out successfully the new idea of having a drama program in the summer consisting of two three-act plays and several well known films. Everyone has hopes that this department broadens both in instruction and participation.

Director--Mr. Robert Anderson

## Audio-visual

SITTING: J. Rice, B. Duell; STANDING: L. Ford, D. Golden, T. Fowlston, G. Smith, G. Cronk, B. Meade, J. Root, D. Cronk



Honor society

SITTING: Mrs. Roberts. STANDING: E. D'Ambra, L. Denz, F. O'Connor, D. Niles, B. Stratton, S. Ohl, G. Cronk, R. Stillwell, Mr. Nelson, E. Lawton, B. Lorimer. Absent: P. Vander Laan

Top salesmen for Biafra Drive

Right: Sue Rood, Walter Meade, Mary Preston, Lori Batterman, Missing: M. Marks.

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FRONT ROW: Diane Tansey, Willa Hewitt, Gary Loomis, Debbie Marno, Mike Ryan, Peggy Davis, SECOND ROW: Gary Nicholson, Larry Loomis, Mitch Race, Jane Lewis, Lew is Ford, THIRD ROW: Donald Sheldon, Steve Gustin, Scott Titchener, Rodney Aldrich, FOURTH ROW: Mike Webb, Billie Jean Stratton, Mr. Herfort, director.

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## Intermediate band




Drum Major<br>Matthew Sherman<br>\section*{Drum Majorette}<br>Sheila Gyles

The Senior Band is under the direction of Mr . Herfort. This summer they did a fine job in parade marching, and during football season they put field shows on for half-time. During the school year, the band prepares selections for their annual spring concert and the state contest.

## Band Officers

FRONT ROW: Beverly Stone, quartermaster; Kathy Loughren, treasurer. SECOND ROW: Lynne Schmidt, secretary; Patti Van Guilder, president. THIRD ROW: Lewis Ford, librarian; Jane Lewis, quartermaster; Martin Quinn, vice-president.



## Senior chorus

## The Christmas Carol cast

FRONT ROW: B. Stratton, L. Carey, L. Batterman, D. Walsh, R. Black. SECOND ROW: M. Quinn, P. Batterman, D. Marno, E. Lashway, B. Lorimer, L. Schmidt, R. Quinn, D. Genung. THIRD ROW: D. Bosworth, L. Ford, W. Hewitt, T. Hinckley, D. Hill, J. Lewis, D. Walsh, K. Jones, Mrs. Barnes.


D. Carey, A. Finch, J. Ross, M. Quinn, L. Ford, K. Quinn, L. Ross, P. VanGuilder, D. Bosworth, D. Walsh, D. Hill, B. Lorimer, D. Sheldon.

> Madrigals
> Junior chorus



Color Guard
FRONT ROW: K. Hicks, D. Hill, H. Popovczak, F. O'Connor, SECOND ROW: C. Finch, L. Stafford, M. Rice, D. Phillips, K. Schmidt, C. Roach, M. Preston, M. Castaldy, J. Ross.

Senior Color guard, "The Oxford Royal-Aires" works many hours at perfecting their drills and routines for indoor competition throughout the school year and for street marching during the summer. Last October these girls led the Oxford Senior Band to first place in the Binghamton Tournament of Bands. They practice hard as they await further contests.


## Rifle Squad

D. Hunter K. Stringham, S. Yale, C. Bates, E. Youngs, Substitutes K. Youngs, M. Wall, C. Owens.



Mike Marso


Marty Morgan

> Senior
> players

Dave Seiler


Jim Maynard



Varsity basketball
FRONT ROW: Coach Lowe, J. Maynard, D. Carey, A. Crumb, R. Paden, D. Swartout. SECOND ROW: D. Seiler, T. Loughren, M. Marso, M. Morgan, E. MacLaury, T. Fowlston.

Coach Nelson, R. Loughren, T. Finch, G.
Smith, W. Meade, J. Fitzgerald, M. Sherman,
J. Fagmani, J. Race, Y. Walton, K. Wheeler,
G. Potter, G. Eldred.

## J.V. basketball




## Wrestling

KNEELING, P. Branham, M. Newbauer, J. Rice, T. Volk, N. Sylstra, S Locke, W. Roys; STANDING: Coach Turco, R. Winner, M Quinn,

## Varsity

E. White, S. Gustin, J. Locke, R. Wilkie.

## Seniors

Nick Sylstra Bill Roys Steve Gustin


KNEELING; C. MacMullen, D. Dunckel, C Champlin, STANDING: L. Marso, D. Keech, Coach Vartuli,
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R. Swartout, R. Schmidt, D. Furnare


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Mannheim. SECOND ROW; Sue Rood,
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Welsh, Janet Paser, Peggy $O^{\prime}$ Connor.



KNEELING: M. Hubschmitt, L. Marso, M. Newbauer, D. Carey, M. Marso, STANDING: W. Meade, A. Dutton, A. Crumb, P. Branham R. Aldrich, Coach Bazer, J. Shimer.

## Jr. high cross country



Coach Bazer, R. Howard C. Lawton, P. Hamilton, D. Natoli, C. Lewis, M. Lawton, D. Benedict.

 man, N. Sylstra, Coach Doyle, D. Swartout, J. Locke.

FRONT ROW: R. Schmidt, R. Loughren, J. Rice, P. Braham, J. Loomis, SECOND ROW: D. Cronk, C. McMullen, E. Natoli, R. Baker, C. Champlin, K. Paden, Coach Tryon, THIRD ROW: K. Wheeler, G. Burdick, G. Potter, G. Lobdell, T. Morack, T. Collins, S. Locke.

## J.V. <br> baseball




## Varsity football

 FRONT ROW: G. Eldred, T. Finch, T. Taranto; J. Bierman; C. Madison; J. Loomis; W. Roys, N. Sylstra. SECOND ROW: J. Lawton, M. Gustin, managers; M. Eldred, J. Locke, D. Seiler, M. Race, R. Winner, K. Fagnani, E. White, W. Bradley, R. Swartout, Coach Vartuli. THIRD ROW: D. Eldred, J. Meek, C. Bryant, D. Ryan, D. Bosworth, T. Race, T. Fowlston, S. Gustin, J. Race, K. Wheeler.FRONT ROW: G. Ardon, R. Loughren, G. Meek, N. Franklin, T. Finch, R. Schmidt, T. Volk, T. Taranto. SECOND ROW: Coach Tryon, S. Locke, C. Champlain, D. Rucker, P. Arnold, T. Collins, J. Loomis, G. Eldred, J. Castaldy, D. Bonpietio, R. Estelow, Coach Lanfear. THIRD ROW: R. Willis, R. Swartout, K. Wheeler, C. Stratton, D. Johnson, J. Walton, J. Race, C. Bryant, J. Fagnani.
J.V. football



FRONT ROW: T. Race, A. Charles, T. Niles, W. Harvey, $7+h-8+$ h
M. McMullen, J. Winner, S. Sutherlin. SECOND ROW: J. Mudge, J. Davies, Coach Malloy, R. Boyer, G. Roys, R. Branham, P. Tansey, Coach Leslie, W. Cooper, Coach
Souders. THIRD ROW: R. Rice, T. Schneider, D. Genung,
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## Bowling Team

One of our new and growing activities is the bowling team. This group of energetic students take time to practice weekly and then to compete with other teams in the Pioneer League.


SITTING: P. Armondi, D. Armondi, S. Race, J. Ross. STANDING: Connie Holbrook, M. Davis, D. Johnson, J. Meek, J. Shimer, T. Fowlston, Mr. Lanning, A. Torre.


Track FRONT ROW: C. Svenson, G. Phillips, R. Aldrich, T, Volk, T. Taranto, M. Christian, G. Ardron, D. Walsh, D. Carkuff, T. Fowlston, D. Eldred, D. Ryan, T. Race, T. Fowlston, L. Loomis, M. Hubschmitt, R. Estelow, J. Castaldy, W. Bradley, A. Dutton, M. McGowan, S. Manheim, Coach Nelson.


A Typical Practice


Tennis


Coach Lanfear, M. Gustin, M. Quinn, J. Fitzgerald, P. Arnold, D. Carey, M. Marso, P. VanderLaan.
D. Walsh, B. Branham, G. Oliver, E. White, J. Walton, Coach Nelson.


Golf


FRONT ROW: L. Ross, T. Tefft, J. Winner, M. MacMullen. SECOND ROW: Coach Brillinger, G. Roys, M. McGowan, T. Tansey.

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& \text { wrestling }
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FRONT ROW: T. Schneider, R. Quinn, E. Mitchell R. Wakefield; SECOND ROW: Coach Bazer, J. Finch, R. Boyer, C. Lawton, M. Diamond, J. Kulakosky.

## 7th grade basketball



FRONT ROW: T. Niles, T. Race, C. Lewis, M. Tompkins, R. Whittaker, P. Hamilton, R. Rice; SECOND ROW: K. Cooper, M. Chapman, T. Hodge, R. Duell, R. Branham, R. Howard, M. Cashman, Coach Bazer.

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