

VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM—Front Row: Dan Winter, Dave White, Rod Fletcher, Greg Bolton, Gary Farmer, Ed Neeley, Tom Helbling, Jim Baerwald, Mike Mocilan, Phil Larrew, Mike Czajkowski, Curt Clower. Row Two: Gary Clements, Ed Jenkins, Bob Henry, Dan Grider, Randy Craig, Dave Rumor, Bill Estergard, Scott Davis, Mark Dunn, Bob Doty, Tom Hess, Robert Brownlee, Charles Williams, Jim Martin. Row Three: Charles Brown, Coach Wes Davis, Ronald Lewis, Brian Swartz, Kent

Edwards, Kevin Cramer, Tim Schweihart, Brad Craig, Mike Reid, George Castor, Jack Durant, Randy Kobel, Sam Taylor, Steve Hartrick, Bob Strohl, Steve Pierce, Coach Paul McGarvey, Coach John Macek. Back Row:
John Sullivan, Floyd Marion, Glen Roberts, Bruce Johnson, Wayne Kozikowski, Bill Lawhead, Steve McGarvey, Dan White, Rich Muhlvihill, Rusty Smith,
Scott Christensen, Mark Doane, Mike Scruggs, Chuck Hott, Scott Higgins,
Tom Little.



Go ahead monster, he can't get next to you.



Pappa Davis gathers his family for pre-game inspirations.



The machine is in motion as Robert Brownlee is geared on his way to success.



Greg Bolton and his constituents make a Jacksonville opponent take to the air in more ways than one.

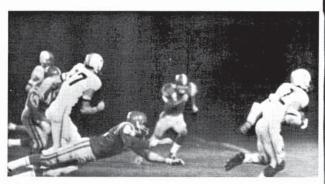


Rockford Auburn waits in fear as the seven mules prepare for action.



Coach Wes Davis watches his Chargers in a rare moment of tranquility

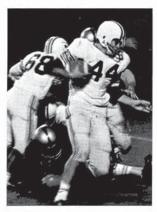
Waiting for the next onslaught of Macomb players, the wall of granite takes a breath.



Bob Henry sizes up a block as a Rockford Auburn opponent falls empty handed to the ground and watches fleet-footed Jenkins run for daylight.





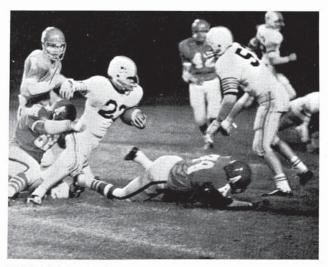


Dependable Steve Pierce is off on another powerful jaunt as a Springfield Southeast player reaches in vain.

Scott Davis, utility man and valuable asset to the team, is all alone as he looks for an open receiver.



Precision, Coaches, Ingredients, Produce Varsity Football Team



Tom Little, with desire to spare, strives for extra yardage as Tom Hess attempts to lend a helping hand.



Senior halfback, Mark Dunn, turns the corner for a fine run and eventually a fine season.

Football 29



CROSS COUNTRY—Front Row: John Dicky, Jack Peterson, Mark Willey, Dave Newhouse, Mr. Alvin Griggs (coach). Row Two: Tom Hatton, Chuck Bomzer, Jerry Courson, Murray Dowell. Back Row: Steve Fink, Rich Staley,

Royce Wilkins, Peter Korst, Tom Lessaris, Scott Laidlaw, Dave Vermillion, Jeff McCall, Greg Hornsday, Tom Shapland, J. D. Cupp, Rick Fifield, Roger Shuman, Dave Cooper.



A patient Mr. Griggs waits to begin practice as the striders loosen up.

Cross Country Scoreboard 1969

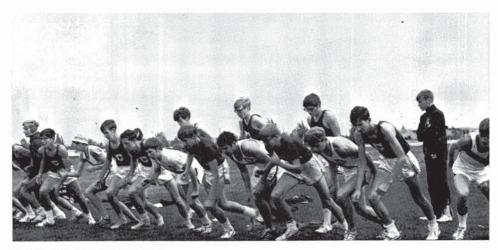
35th at Peoria Invitational 5th at Crete Monee Invitational 4th at Capital Conference Meet 6th at District Meet

Striders Confront Unyielding Competition



An assortment of warm-ups and various other activities help prepare the Cross Country Team for an upcoming meet.

The Cross Country team had major setbacks early in the year, which accounted for their disappointing season.
Co-captain elect, Charlie Brown, who, after last year's performance, was to be a top runner went out for football instead.
The striders were thus left a young and inexperienced squad.
Coach Al Griggs had only 4 seniors who finished out the season—
J. D. Cupp, Greg Hornaday,
Tom Shapland, and Dave Vermillion—and was determined to build for the next season.
Prospects are juniors Rick Fifield and Steve Fink and sophomores
John Dicky and Jeff McCall.



The meet against Danville begins with members from both teams scrambling for the pole position with their minds intent on winning.



Coaches Nelson and Fredricks prepare their team physically and mentally for the upcoming game.



Coach Ed Fredricks solemnly watches his Sophomores as he contemplates his next strategy.

Sophs Enjoy Good Season; Vistas Bright

The Sophomore Football team with the encouragement of Coaches Ed Fredricks and Bob Nelson exhibited sporting talent in a fine season of 5 wins, 2 losses and 1 tie. Gary Gerhardt and Larry Laur held honors for the Sophomore line while speedy Floyd Marion driver Ken Scribner and lefty Steve Ward assured the team of a scoring threat. They have much to be proud of after their great scoring season. Centennial is promised a fine 1970 team with the bright prospects available.

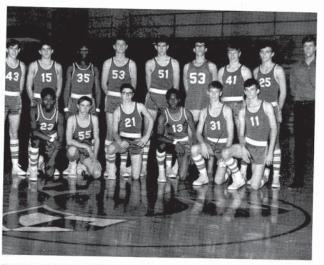
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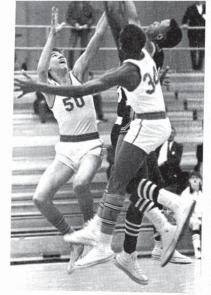


SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL TEAM—Front Row: Carl Roberts, John Reid, Mark Beckett, Skip Tennbrook, Bruce Haughey, Bill Wetmore, Mike Saunders, Mark McDuffey, Justice McCarthy. Row Two: Bob Brucks, Brad Wells, Phil Browning, Larry Rosemeir, Steve Whitsitt, Richard Foley, Brad Henley, Leigh

Bissell, Ken Scribner, Dan Helbling. Back Row: Coach Ed Fredricks, Rick Brown, Rich Knepler, Larry Laur, John Tennyson, Jay Miller, Andy D'Urso, Steve Drago, Mark Mooney, Jim Dillavou, Steve Ward, Rodger Monke, Dave Amacher, Coach Robert Nelson.



SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL. Front Row: Theodore Brownlee, John Reed, Stan Swank, Jim Walker, Richard Foley, Steve Ward, Back Row: Jeff McCall, Rick Gifford, Jim Kelly, Kelly Foster, Rich Knepler, Brian Enata, Gary Lovingfoss, Jim Dillavou, Coach Joe Tomlinson.



An Eisenhower player is up for a rebound between Rich Knepler and Jim Kelly.

Improvement — Dominant Theme for Sophs.



Centennial Sophomores await the outcome of this jump ball.

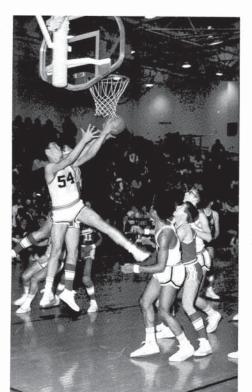
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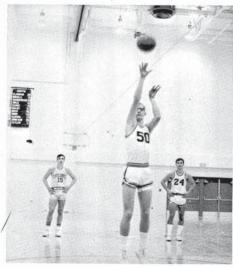
The main theme for the 1970 basketball team was improvement. Coach Tomlinson helped Centennial's basketball program by giving all Sophomores game experience.
His efforts seemed to be highly successful as was illustrated by standouts Tony Davis and Steve Ward who by the end of the year started in varsity games. Gary Lovingfoss was a steady sure performer who should provide future varsity teams with talent. It was not, however, just these individuals who made the team; all members participated to make Sophomore Basketball a valuable experience.



1969-70 BASKETBALL TEAM. Front Row: Noel Grobe, Tony Davis, Greg Wettman, Fred Lewis, Tom Timmons, Tim Rockwood. Back Row: Coach Joe Tomlinson, Coach Ron Herring, Joe Bishop, Scott Davis, Steve Pierce, Dan Grider,

Greg Hornaday, Tom Shapland, Kevin Cramer, Lester Anderson, Bill McCutchen, Coach Dick Jones.



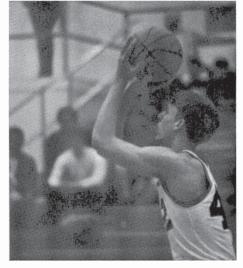


A valuable part of the Charger quintet, Greg Hornaday, shoots a sure free throw as Scott Davis looks on.

Solid performer, Danny Grider, fights for a rebound as Joe Bishop and Greg Hornaday wait expectingly.



Guard on the move, Joe Bishop eyes a loose ball.



A tough competitor and invaluable defensive player, Tom Shapland, contemplates on a free throw.

Determination, Work Create Basketball Team



The Varsity Team beholds five they hope will bring victory.

Many Friday and Saturday nights found basketball being played in a "Charger Country" gym. Round leather flew through nylon nets of twine in devestating accuracy. Fast breaking Joe Bishop, backboard popping Dan Grider, butterfly ball handler Scott Davis along with marksman shooting Greg Hornaday and remarkable defensive Tom Shapland generally made up the starting five. They did not, however, dominate all games. Under the remarkable coaching of Dick Jones, team members learned to work as a team.

The teamwork was evident in the 11 win-5 loss record. Although the basketball team did not start winning until mid season, team spirit did not die as they knew they had the speed and ability to win. Their determination and athletic power paid off as a victorious team was acknowledged by shouts of "We're proud of our team!"

Speed, Aiming, and Agility Evident in Varsity Cagers



Sophomore Steve Ward cracked into the starting lineup late in the season and will probably be important to future teams,



The spider is up for two as Shap and Grid look for an improbable rebound.

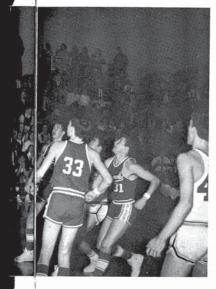
	Basketball Scoreboard
CENTENNIAL	OPPONENT
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78	. Charleston
53, 57	. Southeast
58, 63	Jacksonville
52, 71	
56, 60	
63, 63	
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64	. Kaneland
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Chargers get tuned up with important warmup drills as they await anxiously their next foe.



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A guard with quick hands, Scott Davis drives around an unexpecting MacArthur center.





In control of the ball Joe Bishop watches for an open teammate under the basket.



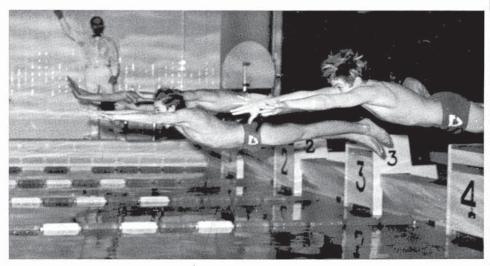
His eyes on the hoop Scott Davis sets and gets ready to launch a high archer.



Moving onto the floor, Coach Jones portrays a look of concern during a needed timeout.

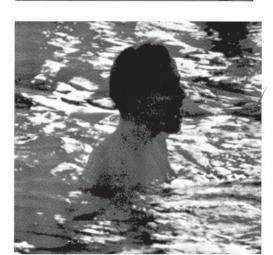


The big men have the ball in control as Jacksonville opponents look helplessly on.



A good start after the firing of the gun is a large factor in the conclusion of the race.

	Swimming Scoreboard
CENTENNIAL	OPPONENT
24, 36	Danville
68	Bloomington
	Springfield
	Urbana
72, 80	Normal Community
56	Peoria
	Normal Unity59
	Springfield32
	Kankakee Westview22
22	Peoria Richwood
1st in Capitol Conference	5th in Carl Sandburg Invitational
2nd in Normal Invitational	11th in Riverside Brookfield Invitational
3rd in Charger Invitational	The second of Control of the State of the St

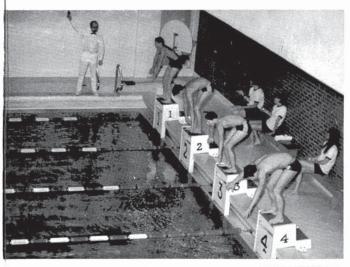




One of Centennial's leading swimmers, Bruce Kelso, gets in his starting position as Lyndell VanDyke approaches the edge.

The end of the race is a tiring but happy experience for Scott Laidlaw.

Centennial Tankers Repeat Winning Season



The starter raises his gun as the Centennial Guard checks their stop watches and a Charger tanker gets into starting position.

Led by varsity swimmers
Bruce Kelso (captain), Lyndell
VanDyke, Richie Mulvihill, Murray
Dowell, and Dave Morgan, the
Centennial swimmers
again had a victorious season.
Although this was
a rebuilding year
the Chargers had a good 7-5 record.
This might be explained
by the fact
that each Charger swam
over 310 miles in practice.
They also had the indomitable
support of the Centennial Guard
and coach Ed Fredrick's
readily available advice
to spur them on.
During Centennial's existence,
neither Urbana nor Central
has ever beaten us;
this year was no exception.
Keeping a Centennial tradition,
the Chargers sent representatives
to the state swimming meet.
They were Greg Petry for diving
and Lyndell VanDyke for the
100 yd. Backstroke.
The high point of the season
was the Chargers
once again becoming
Capitol Conference Champs.



SWIM TEAM, Front Row: David Huffman, Bill Hilger, Bill Morgan, Jim Abel, Mark Schrader, Chan Brown. Row Two: Kurt Clower, Dave Morgan, Lyndell Van Dyke, Dave Johnson, Bruce Kelso, Mike Bailey, Scott Laidlaw, Paul

Becker, Back Row: Murray Dowell, Dave Amacher, George Castor, Dan Doolan, Rich Mulvihill, Greg Petry, Coach Ed Fredricks.



A Mt. Zion wrestler is up, up, and away in the firm hold of Tom Hess.

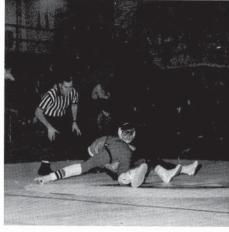
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Wrestling Scoreboard	١
CENTENNIAL OPPONENT	
27 Bismark	
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27 Lanphier	
33 Fisher	
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27 Shelbyville	
47 Argenta-Oreana	
27 Unity	
35 Hoopeston	
19	
36 Lakeview	
25	
30 Fisenhower 19	



One of many opponents is tied up by Steve Hartrick, one of Centennial's top wrestlers.



A defeated opponent walks to his respective bench as a victorious Mat Noffke has his arm raised in triumph.



A reversal is attempted by Roger Stone, another one of our leading wrestlers.

Wrestlers Experience, Earn Winning Season



The varsity wrestling squad along with Coach Nelson, grimly survey the efforts of a fellow wrestler.

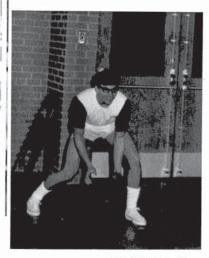
Victories and aggressive wrestling were the trademarks for the Charger team this year. Under the superb instructions of Coach Robert Nelson and assistant coach Paul McGarvey the Centennial Grapplers compiled a 11-3 dual record. The Chargers captured fourth in the Capitol Conference and ended the season by securing a third out of thirteen teams in district competition. Standout individuals were Steve Harrick and Roger Stone. Steve was the team's first Capitol Conference titlist, and Roger grappled the first individual title at district. Tournaments placers in Capitol Conference were Ed Neely, Mark Doane, Jim Gumbel, Matt Noffke and Mark Doane captured thirds. While the varsity squad was in its winning season, the junior varsity squad was right behind them. With this inspiration this year, the potential for next year's squad is tremendous.



WRESTLING TEAM. Front Row: Matt Noffke, Ed Neely, Mike Scruggs, Jerry Lenoir, Roger Stone, Dave McNamara, Bruce Haughey, Jack Peterson. Row Two: Jeff Welch, Dave McClannahan, Steve Wells, Gary Stewart, Mike Saunders, Skip Timbrook, Don Chew, Mark Doane, Steve Witte, Steve Hartrick,

Roger Monke. Row Three: Coach Paul McGarvey, Howard Nesmith, Tom Hatton, Tom Hess, Jan Gumble, Jim Gumble, Don Custar, Steve Whitsitt, Wayne Kozikowski, Phil Larrew, Charles Kuykendall, Greg Bolton, Mike Wright, Chuck Bomzer, Steve McGarvey, Gary Gerhardt, Coach Bob Nelson.

1969 Baseball Team Exhibits Improvement



Coach Winstead is counting on previous year's letterman, Mark Dunn to provide experience for 1970's team.



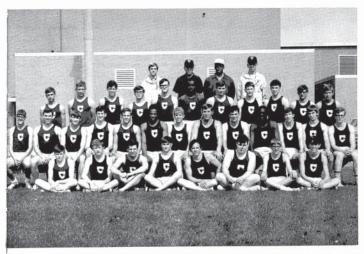
1969 all city candidate, Bob Strohl, hopes to repeat good pitching ability.

The 1969 Baseball team showed a considerable amount of improvement over Centennial's previous team. The team struggled through bad weather to compile an 8-10 record. The highlight of the season was a 3-2 win over Urbana in the district. The 1969 team was led by senior captains James Kresca, John Walden, and Larry Wilson. Centennial's 1970 baseball team hopes to continue with the improvement theme. Pitcher Bob Strohl and shortstop Mark Dunn are hopeful experience providers for the team. Juniors Roy Hornsby and Rusty Smith, and promising sophomores like Steve Ward hope to help the team in pursuing a victorious season.

1969 BASEBALL TEAM. Front Row: Bill Morgan, Mike Edwards, Dave Morgan, Rusty Smith, Steve McGarvey, Don Custar. Row Two: Coach Winstead, Scott Davis, Mark Dunn, Clark Grady, Larry Wilson, Andy Gilmore, Kim Kresca,

Bill Palmer, Doug Swank, Coach Sullivan. Back Row: Pat McCoy, Tom Helbling, Jack Walden, Bob Strohl, Steve Pierce, Don McCall, Sylvester Montgomery, Roy Hornsby, Jim Huddlestone.





1969 TRACK TEAM. Front Row: Mike Scruggs, Stan Shumway, Scott Higgins, Chuck Hott, Roger Armstrong, Mark Doanne, Steve Fink, Rick Fifield. Row Two: Fred Kolkhorst, Jim Evans, Moke Holverson, Bob Henry, Rick McPhee, Charles Brown, Chuck Luckmann, Randy Craig, Dean Messinger, Ed Jenkins, Pat McBride, Jeff Coombs, Kevin McCarty, Third Row: Leo Andruczk, George Castor, Tim McPhee, Tim Schweighart, Om Cooper, Sam Taylor, Brad Craig, Bill Estergard, Bob Clarke, J. D. Cupp, John Sullivan. Row Four: Jack Durant, Mr. Jester, Mr. Griggs, Mr. Quinlan.



With a very determined look on his face, Captain J. D. Cupp warms up for the quarter mile.

Potential Of 1970 Track Team Promising



Fine prospects for the 1970 squad, Tim Schweighart, Kevin McCarty, J. D. Cupp, and Bob Henry, share a baton they will soon pass in relay.

The track team of 1969
was coached by Harold Jester,
Al Griggs, and Roger Quinlan.
Captain Chuck Luckmann
led the cindermen
in their attempt
to develop all potential
and come out ahead.
The Chargers, however,
ended up with
a disappointing 1 win—4 loss
dual meet record.
The highlight of the season
came when the cindermen
sent a mile relay team
to the State Meet.
The 1970 track team,
led by captain, J. D. Cupp
and returning lettermen Randy Craig,
Steve Dillman, Bob Henry and
Tim Schweighart,
is hopeful ôf
a winning season.
The team has more potential
than any previous prospective team,
and coach Harold Jester
has hopes for a fine showing
of this team
in his final
season of coaching.



TENNIS. Front Row: Bruce Shuman, Rob Brown, Curt Clower, Bruce Johnson Tom Timmons, Tom Neils, Ross Peabody. Back Row: Coach Bob Avery, Coach

Anderson, Jim Crawford, Steve Dushane, Bill Staley, Dan O'Connell, Charles McCarthy, Joe Oshwald, Tony Pleviak.

1969 Netmen Earn First Tennis Trophy



Looking forward to the start of the tennis season, top prospects Jim Crawford and Bill Staley discuss their after school drills.

Coached by Bob Avery
Centennial's 1969 tennis team
compiled a 7-10 record.
The squad was led by seniors
Bruce Shuman, Rob Brown
and Danny O'Connell.
Bruce Shuman was not only
the top man on the squad,
but he also was one
of the leading players
in the Capitol Conference.
The highpoint of the season
was Centennial earning its
first tennis trophy,
gained by a fourth place finish
in a tough Springfield Invitational.
It was there that Bruce Shuman
defeated the
number one ranked player, John
Nolan in three straight sets.
Coach Joe Tomlinson
takes over this year for Bob Avery,
who left to coach at Mattoon.
Mr. Tomlinson looks
for this year to be one of building.
Senior letterman Charles McCarty,
along with junior lettermen
Curt Clower and Bill Staley
will hopefully provide
experience for the 1970 team.



Two year letterman Tom Shapland practices his golf swing with concentration and precision.

Winning Theme Prominent in Golf Teams

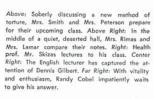
The 1969 Golf Team continued the winning theme established by the 1968 team. Coached by John Macek, the team rolled to a 13-4 dual meet record and took a 2nd in Capitol Conference competition and a 3rd in District. The 1970 Golf team has hopes of continuing the winning tradition. Depth, however, could be a problem for the Chargers as they have only one two year letterman, Tom Shapland, returning. Besides Tom, who is expected to improve on his 5th place finish in the Capitol Conference last year, Coach Macek hopes to help all other team members become outstanding players. Once again, Centennial will play one of Illinois' toughest schedules including a 32 team invitational that is hosted by the Chargers.

1969 GOLF TEAM. Front Row: Coach John Macek, Dave Bouck, Bob McElligott, Tom Shapland, Lee Smith, Chuck Langlois, Steve Tock, Chris Wojnar, Roger Shuman. Back Row: Mark Pritchard, Jeff Schultz, Bill Hayes, Rod Fletcher,

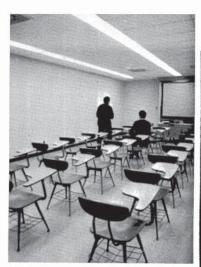
Tom Ordell, Dave Hamburg, John Scott, Mike Bailey, Mark Yarbrough, Mike Hennemann, Royce Wilken, Dave Parro, Bill Krouse, Paul Becker, Rick Staerkel, Dan Silverman.











Charger Power

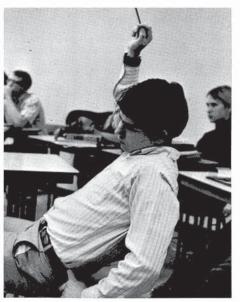


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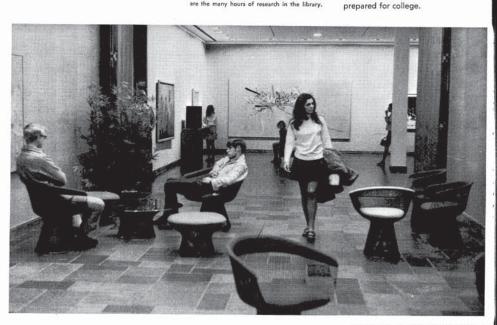
Emotions, Thinking Aroused in English Courses



One of the many tasks befalling English Composition students Sue Kramer, Pam Gifford, and Debbie Crawford are the many hours of research in the library.

Being brutally attacked and tortured, the Raggedy Ann doll aroused the thinking of students, as groups in Senior English classes composed, directed, filmed and edited their own movies. Peace, hate, violence and loneliness were some of the moods portrayed in the films. Though the underclassmen' did not participate in the filmmaking, they were intrigued by their own materials. Traditional literature was reviewed as was a unit of Negro literature. Minds began to understand and the emotions in Manchild in the Promised Land and a Separate Peace. English Composition students struggled through hours of research and writing as they were determined

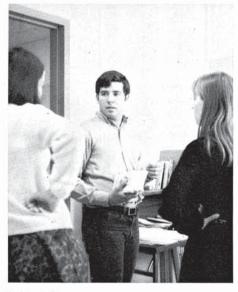
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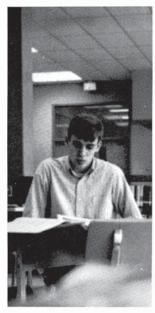
On a field trip to the Krannett Art Museum, Paul Nickell, Jim Gumble, and Lani McLeod find that art is not only interesting, but tiring.



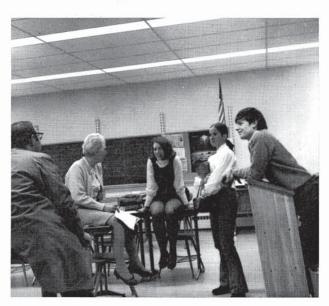
Using leading journalism techniques, Connie Sadewater prepares another triplicate for yearbook print.



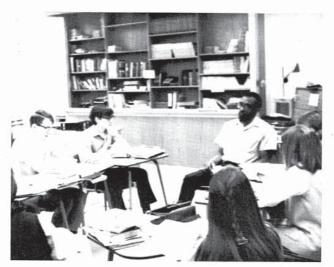
Returning a book late appears to have consequences for Scott Higgins as he meets Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Smith.



The resourcefulness of the library is discovered by Tom Shapland as he prepares an essay.



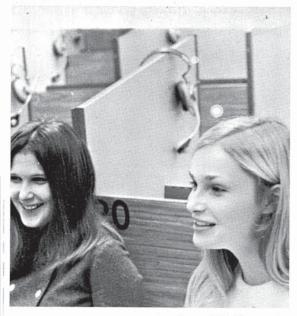
Seniors Rita Gerstanberger, Teresa Petry and Bill Morgan remain after school to discuss important issues with Mr. Moore and Mrs. Andersen.



Fourth year Spanish students struggle through conversations with Senor Washington.

Culture, Art Discussed in Language Dept.

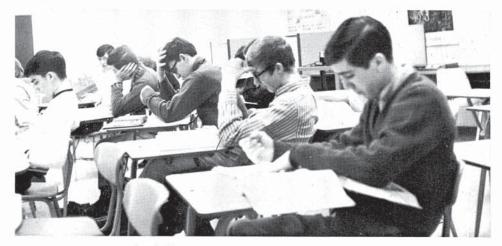
Students in the foreign language department learned that there was more to a language than grammar and vocabulary. Culture and artistic and literary history had to be learned too. Even with all this, it was still necessary to master an accent. For many students this was next to impossible. But with the help and patience of an interested instructor the difficult tasks were not so hard, and, at some times, class was actually fun.



Language lab helps five year students Debbie Crawford and Sue Kramer as they enjoy a conversation in French.

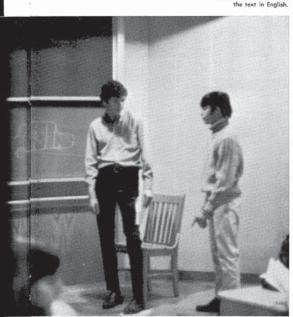


Students, Robin Allen, Dave Huddleston, and Tom Neils practice the pronunciation of their language by presenting a play for their class.



A puzzling German grammar exercise forces this row of German students to concentrate on obtaining the proper verbs.

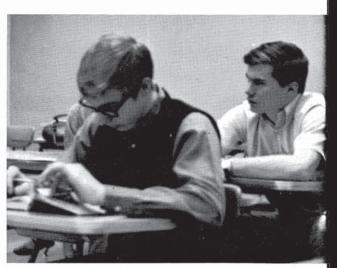








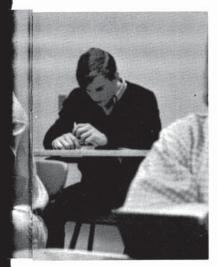
Social Studies involves not only study and assignments but also creativity in the form of a mural.



Many of the problems of psychology are contemplated by Ricky Mulvihill, Thirl Johnson, and Flo Morgan as they listen attentively to a lecture.



World History evokes lively discussion concerning world development from the students.

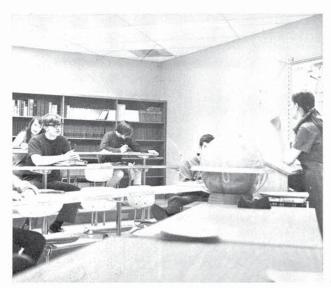




Reflecting over personal and world interests is Linda Erickson.

Truths and Understanding Parts of Study

The world and its problems opened up to students in the Social Studies department. The students had various history classes from which to choose including World History, American History, Negro History, and Contemporary History. Students of psychology and sociology delved into the behavior of individuals and social groups, while financial problems were answered in Economics. The Social Studies courses brought world problems into focus and social issues within the reach of the student.



A lively student-teacher interchange stimulates the educational experience in a contemporary history class.

Window murals in a classroom intrigues the student to ponder on current happenings.



Math is filled with surprises, as Judy Simpson discovers, while peering through a transparency.

"Sin a + Cos a=1" explains Dennis Gilbert as Andy Gilmore, Greg Wettman, and Vince Boston look on with interest during their daily gathering in college trigonometry.



Math Confuses But Intrigues Academicians

Algebraic equations, geometry proofs, and trigometric functions once again plaqued students of mathematics at Centennial. But problems were usually found to be quite simple after a professional explanation from one of the many fine instructors; a bit of comic relief came into plan when student teachers tried their hands at explanations. The Math Department offered a wide range of subjects, including algebra, intermediate algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and college algebra. In taking these courses some students discovered that of an interesting, interested teacher, math could be fun as well as profitable to them in the future.



Going to the board, as an unidentified student realizes, is one of the many problems faced by young mathematicians today.