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## THE 1979-80 YEARBOOK STAFF PROUDLY PRESENTS THE ROUND-UP


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You may see them sitting around the table in the cafeteria eating some of their fabulous lunch that they have prepared for us or you may see them prancing around at some sports event in their chicken outfits but that is our West Grand cafeteria staff. The cooks have done a tremendous job in providing the students, faculty and the committee with food and spirit for all of the sports events. The cooks also had a little skit thought up for all the games.

For all of your, thoughtfulness we dedicate our 1979-80 school year annual from the West Grand Annual Staff.

## ADMINISTRATION



Education doesn't begin with kindergarten and end with high school graduation. Education is the sum total of all your experiences.
As such, it is a continuous process. Some of you will continue your formal education through college, some will gain skill through vocational training, some will start to work after graduation, and the under classmen will strive to complete their high school programs.

Success means many different things to each individual. I would like to challenge you to be a producer. Ask not what you can get from life, but what you may give to life. Develop a positive attitude towards life. Be slow to criticize and then only with solutions. Above all, be yourself. You may be what you want, if you so desire.
When you want to change, make sure it is for progress, not just for change sake.
Lastly, never get too old to learn new things. Treat others as you would like to be treated.



To the Class of 1980 ,
I want to congratulate you on your accomplishments and wish you the best for your upcoming challenges. You are a talented group. Your performance in classes and on national tests indicates you have the academic ability to succeed. You show lots of individuality. Your interests are many. That combination of assets should be a good foundation for you.
Take time to thank those people who have helped you get where you are. Thank your parents especially for their support, love and patience. Thank those other key people in your life who have encouraged you to do your best. Thank your friends for being there when you needed them.
You are a good senior class, and I have enjoyed working with you. I hope you have had a good experience at West Grand and are prepared to fulfill your goals.


Anne Siefke-Secretary to Supt.



Nancy Davidson-Secretary to Principal


Joe Shields-Counselor, Athletic Dir. Boys Track

ADMINISTRATION


SPORTS


The West Grand Gymnastics team certainly was small, yet showed a great amount of enthusiasm.

The team started out with seven team members and with the loss of two and one out with an arm injury, there were only four left to support the team. The four left were Lori Parks, Phyllis Fay, Brenda Docheff and Jodi McElroy. These girls really stuck it out and showed they could really do it by raising their score at every meet, with many hours of practicing.

Unfortunately nobody made it to state, but there is always next year and everybody lettered.

Next year I am sure those four girls will participate in gymastics and they are hoping that more will come out for gymnastics from the Junior High and be a part of the West Grand Gymnastics team.



L to R: Kelley Camblin, Lori Parks, Brenda Docheff, Phyllis Fay, Jodi McElroy, and Karen Reese.



Column 1 left to right- Coach John Almgren, Tina McAllister, Lori Roper, Kathy Sanburg, Letitia Land, Coach Bill Cassel. Column 2-Sandra Wilson, Marcia Poen, Shelby Kline, Christi Knox, Lindee Ritschard, Julie Goebel, Dawn Ashton.


Column 1 Left to Right- Coach John Almgren, Gina Ritschard, Ronda Reynolds, Barb Donald, Tammi Patterson, Carol Anderson, Coach Bill Cassel; Column 2-Sandra Wilson, Letitia Land, Cathy Culbreath, Peggy Baker, Julie Goebel, Dawn Ashton.

"Yea! Yea! Yea!"
This was the victory yell heard when ever the mighty Mustangs had won another volleyball game.

This year's volleyball team was a complete switch from last year's, although many of the girls were the same. The main difference was that the girls had learned to play as a team.

Teamwork paid off for the Mustangs as they broke their losing streak of last year by attaining the league championship. The Mustangs then took second place at Sub-Districts, losing to Walden.

The Mustangs were fired up as they went to the District Tournament. Although they played well they lost their first match against Plateau Valley.

Coach Almgren said, "Hard work, determination, and pride were the keys to our 12.4 record and league championship. I was very proud of the girls and very happy for them. It was truly an enjoyable season."




LEFT TO RIGHT 1st-Glenn Eberhard, Mike Manuel, Mike Terwilliger, Ed Wehrer, Bruce Baker, Dwight Lister, Ron Fay, Porter Toft, Kevin Mann, Matt Davidson, Denny Mortenson. 2nd-Marty Stevens, Jody Caron, Jeff Largent, Greg Kline, John Eberhard, Mark Gross, Brent Miller, Pat Burke, Jim Ellison, 3rdRob McEuen, Steve Scott, LeRoy Hite, Shawn Scholl, Chris Broady, Roger Ryburn, David Lynch, Troy Sauers, Brian Ohri. 4th Coach Jerry Pitzer, Dick Broady, Robert Higgins, Ken Ashton, Kyle Scholl, Mark Stevens, Mike Sanderson, Coach Maurice Noll.


The 1979-80 Homecoming started in a classy way this year as students welcomed the week with Dress Up day. Everyone was dressed in their best threads in an effort to win the battle for points.

Bobbysocks and greased hair was the "in" thing on Tuesday as Fifties day even had the faculty reminincing about the good ol' days.

Wednesday saw the birth of a brand new day, Class day. Each class had to decide what they wanted to be for that day. The freshmen came as Athletes, the Sophomores were Super People, the Juniors, clowns, and the Seniors won the day by coming as Cowboys and Indians, complete with arrows through their heads.

Confusion was apparent on Thursday, designated as Inside Out day. Students arrived with their clothes on inside out, backwards, and with socks on over their shoes. It was also Senior Reverse day, and many classes were surprised to find a senior acting as their teacher while the teachers became students again. The mixed up day ended on the football field as the girls battled in the annual Powder Puff game.


The big day, Friday, came in an explosion of purple and gold. The parade started at one o' clock and ended with a pep rally on the town square. At threethirty everyone flocked to the football field for the homecoming game. The Mustangs battled against the Nederland Panthers to no avail as they lost the game $13-0$.

During half-time, Tracey Davidson was crowned Queen and Bill Matheson was crowned King. Other candidates were Jerry Demmitt, Ken Ashton, Ralph Sanisteven, Barb Donald, Patti Stone, and Delia Fay.

Prizes for floats were given next. First place went to the Juniors, second to the Seniors, and the Sophomores and Freshmen tied for third.

The spirit award was given to the Seniors for the most participation all week.

Despite the defeat, everyone danced the night away at the Homecoming dance. Then all the purple and gold, craziness and fun, was packed away until next year.



The West Grand 1979-80 football season saw its young team off to a good start as coaches Jerry Pitzer and Maurice Noll readied them for league action. Although the team consisted of mostly sophomores and juniors, their talent and aggressive energy seemed to point to a successful season.

The Mustangs battled with the Soroco Rams, Hayden Tigers, and Walden Wildcats throughout the season, but losses prevailed as they ended with a record of $2 \cdot 3$.

Head Coach Jerry Pitzer, sums up the year, "Success is not always measured in wins and losses. Even though our record was 2.3 in the league and 2.6 overall, we accomplished one of our main goals, and that was to get all our young kids playing experience that will help us in the future. (Next year.)"

The Mustang team is losing three valuable players this year: Seniors Mark Stevens, Mike Sanderson, and Ken Ashton. They will certainly be missed but the Mustangs are looking forward to an even better season next year.




The fall cheerleaders this football season were Tracey Davidson, Delia Fay, Christy Jones and Gina Curran. The cheerleaders were a very good inspiration to the team. They started off the season with a "new birth" decorating the school and showing a tremendous amount of spirit. They helped the team greatly and kept the school, the community and especially the team high in spirit. There season soon came to an end and basketball and wrestling were just aroung the corner.

At the beginning of the school year eight cheerleaders were chosen for the 1980 season. The cheerleaders Phyllis Fay, Lori Parks, Sandra Wilson, Angie Howard, Debbie Howard, Patti Stone, Dawn Ashton and Tammi Paterson, had a slow start this season. The cheerleaders had to cooperate with each other and teach other there abilities. Even though these girls had some problems they always showed up for the games or the matches showing there spirit the best way they knew how.

All of the cheerleaders this year should be given as much as credit for there participation as well as the teams through-out the season.







The girls basketball team had a season superior to any other seen at West Grand High School.
The Mustangs were caught up in a whirlwind of winning and their league record stands 5-1.
One of the brightest moments for the girls had to be the winning of the Sub-District Tournament at West Grand. It all started when the fighting Mustangs killed the Walden Wildcat's by a sixteen point win in their first game of the Tournament. The next night both the girls and the fans were psyched for victory. The Mustangs were up against theS oroco Rams and the game ended with a score of Mustangs 38, Soroco 34.

Delia Fay and Cathy Culbreath both made the All Conference team, while Carol Anderson and Christy Jones made Honorable Mention.
The Mustangs first place win at Sub-Districts was a first for any girl's team from West Grand.
Districts was held at Battle Mountain, and the fired up Mustangs were determined to beat DeBeque in the first game. Although the game started out slow, the girls got going in the second half to win the game 44 to 43 .


All Conference: Delia Fay, Cathy Culbreath Honorable Mention: Carol Anderson, Christy Jones


The girls advanced into the District Championship game with their goal of going to State clearly in sight. All their concentration and drive was needed for this important game and that's what the Mustangs gave. The Mustangs opponent was Plateau Valley, and the girls were hard to keep up with. The sharp-shooting Cowboys seemed to hit on every shot and although the Mustangs played a hard competitive game, the final score was Mustangs 53 Cowboys 75 .

The girls basketball team is losing three Seniors this year, Delia Fay, Carol Anderson, and Ronda Reynolds. These valuable players will be missed next year.

Coaches Mr. and Mrs. Noll, the community, the school, and especially the members of the team, are looking forward to another good season next year.





ZARSITY TEAM: Left to Right: Standing-Coach John Almgren, Leroy Hite, David Kostreva, Dick Broady, Mike Ritschard, Tom Smith, Greg Kline, Coach Jerry Pitzer. Kneeling-Ken Ashton, John D'Aoust, Dwight Lister, Kevin Mann, Porter Toft, Roger Ryburn, Mike Zocholl (Manager).

The play at the Sub-District tournament against Hayden, a team who had beaten the Mustangs easily two times before, was the bright spot of the season and a game the team and fans were proud of.

The Mustangs will certainly miss the talent and leadership of Seniors Mike Ritschard, John D'Aoust, Ken Ashton, David Kostreva, and Leroy Hite.

The Mustangs are looking forward to a good season next year and another chance to show how desire and team spirit brings closer the goal of winning.

The boy's J.V. team had a good learning season. Their experience and talent grew with each game and improvement was noticeable. Many are looking forward to playing on the varsity team next year and their talent will add much to the Mustang tearn. Many thanks go to J.V. Coach Jerry Pitzer who has helped the boy's become better athletes.



The Mustang matmen traveled to many meets this year to prove their individual talents and team pride.

Their first meet was the annual Middle Park Tournament. The Mustangs wrestled hard and came out in second place, losing only to Erie.

Another important meet to the Mustangs was their own West Grand Tournament. In spite of the many teams attending the Mustangs outscored them all to win first place.

The hard season prepared the boys for their most important meet of the year, Districts. To qualify for State a wrestler had to win either first or second place at Districts. Although all team members wrestled well only five qualified for State, AI Manguso, Kyle Scholl, Marty Cecil, Bill Matheson, and Jeff Largent.

The State Wrestling Tournament was held at the new events center at the University of Colorado in Boulder.

In championship competition AI Manguso, wrestling at 126 pounds, defeated his opponent, Pie Lombardie of Soroco 6-2.

Kyle Scholl, wrestling at 167 pounds, defeated Joe Scafidi of Soroco 2.0. Marty, Bill, and Jeff were defeat-
 ed before the championship round.

Out of the forty-three teams competing at State, West Grand placed eleventh as a team.

According to Coach Duane Scholl, "Nine out of the 24 boys in the championship were from our District, and six of the nine ended up State Champions."

Coach Scholl and Coach Bruce Urich have many reasons to be proud of the Mustang team especially since, as Scholl puts it, "our District is by far the toughest district in the state."


L to R: Top Row: Mike Morganstien, Marty Cecil, Bill Matheson, Kyle Scholl, Robert Higgins. Bottom Row: Jeff Largent, Corey Bryan, Don Matheson, Pat Burke, AI Manguso, Greg Knorr.

WaG WRESTLING SUCCESS


LtoR: Top Row: Coach Duane Scholl, Cal Davison, Mike Morgenstien, Marty Cecil, Bill Matheson, Kyle Scholl, Robert Higgins, Shawn Scholl, Coach Bruce Urich. Bottom Row: Dion Cordova, David Lynch, Jeff Largent, Corey Bryan, Don Matheson, Pat Burke, AI Manguso, Greg Kor, Phillip Gallegos, Matt Davidson.




Top Row L to R Assistant Coach Mr. Urich, Marty Stevens, Robert Higgins, Shawn Scholl, Brian Ohri, Mike Ritchards, Greg Kline and Head Coach Mr. Shields Bottom Row L to R Dwight Lister, John D'Aoust, Roger Ryburn, Brent Miller, Mark Giross, Mike Sanderson, AI Manguso, and Kenny Ashton


Top row L to R Coach Mrs. Noll, Kathy Sanburg, Debbie Colburn, Phyllis Fay, Christy Jones, Sandra Wilson, Marcia Poen and Kelly Camblin Bottom Row L to R Tammi Peterson, Kathy Miller, Gina Curran, Delia Fay, Juanita Cordova, Cheryl Terwilliger, Shelby Kline and Cathy Culbreath



The West Grand girls track started off really good this year. There first meet was the Meeker Invita ional at there were a lot of girls absent the team managed to take a second place. The girls had a few little meets to get them ready for their league meet. At the league meet the girls all advanced to the district meet in Grand Junction. As the week progressed all the girls worked very hard in order to be ready for the meet. Finally the week-end soon came and all of the track team boarded the bus to go. The meet was a really tough one, but that didn't stop six girls from going to the state track meet. Here the competion was super tough and the only one to place was Cathy Culbreath and she got sixth in the shot put. None of the team hung there faces because they did not place, because they still had a great year.



CLUBS

## PEP CLUB

The 1979-1980 year found the nearly extinct pep club still trying to survive at West Grand High School. It seems that the increasing interest in girl's athletics, among other factors, has contributed to the declining interest in pep club.

This year, however, the club managed a comeback with a total of twenty-four members. The girls kept school spirit alive by making posters and attending games to cheer for the Mustang teams. The familiar purple and gold uniforms gave the club a sense of unity and pride.

Pep club officers for this year were President Tammy Culbreath, Vice President Phyllis Fay, Secretary Lisa Eberhard, and Treasurer Stacey Hadlock. The Sponsors were Mrs. Jennifer Bumgarner and Mrs. Nancy Abbott.

Although pep club membership has dropped in the past years Mrs. Bumgarner says, "If the spirit stays alive and we will have it next year."

With their hard work and spirit the members of pep club will keep this important part of out school alive.


L to R: Top Row: Sandra Wilson, Nancy Abbott (Sponsor), Christy Jones, Gina Curran, Delia Fay, Tracey Davidson, Tammi Paterson, Second Row: Phyllis Fay, Kim Spalding, Kelly Camblin, Jeri Wall, Letitia Land, Stacey Hadlock, Patti Stone, Third Row: Angie Howard, Ronda Reynolds, Carol Anderson, Lisa Eberhard, Kathy Miller, Julie Goebel, Lori Parks, Bottom Row: Debbie Howard, Deanna Anderson, Tammy Culbreath.


## WE GOT SPIRIT



## SMALL BUT SOUNDING STRONG




The 1979-1960 Band consisted of 12 people. It was small but mighty. The people in bend were: Seniors: Barb Donald, Peggy Baker, and Mark Stevens Juniors: Sandra Wilson, Dick Broady, Marty Stevens, and Greg Kline
Freshman: Shelby Lline, Kim Spalding. Mark Gross, and Mike Manuel

The band did a lot of things this year, such as a Christmas Concert, Spring Concert, and a end of the year concert.

There were a few individuals that contributed a lot to this years band program. At a band competition in Hayden, Kim Spalding and Shelby Kline played a duet and received a high rating. Kim also played a flute solo and received a good mark. Mark Stevens competed in a tube solo and received a fair rating.

Later on in the year the entire bend went to Summit and competed and received a fair rating.

Out of the band this year Greg Kline and Peggy Beker were selected to the Gore Yampa League Honor Band.

Overall. Mr. Knapp enjoyed working with the High School Band. He was disappointed that so few people were involved and the lack of leadership shown by some of the upperclassmen.

The band did accomplish some good things this year by going to Contests and playing two very excellent concerts.

Mr. Knapp wishes the returning band members GoodLLuck next year, and we, the High School wish Mr. Knapp Good Luck with his future career in Fort Collins.

## SKI CLUB



What looks like a raccoon and appears every winter at West Grand High School? A member of the ski club, of coursel

Ski Club membership stayed high this year as the school was almost empty whenever trips were taken to hit the slopes. Three all day trips were taken to the Winter Park-Mary Jane ski area this year, which seemed to work out better than last year's six half day trips. Also, two buses were taken instead of one to insure that everyone could go.

The Ski Club was better organived this year as sponsor Gary winfield, with the help of his computers, kept everything ruinning smoothly. He planned out who was to rent, their sioes, what bus everyone should ride on, what time the buses should leave, and he even left a computer sheet with everyone's name on it at the ticket counter solthey could get a discount 54.50 lift ticket. All Ski Club members appreciated his efforts very much.

The skiing was terrific this year as there was plenty of snow and sunshine. Siki Club is looking forward to having an equally great ski season next year. See ya on the slopest

## WINTER BRINGS BLAHS TO WINTER FESTIVAL



For the first time in West Grand history a Winter Carnival was put on by the Student Council in an effort to bring the student body together in activities and to increase spirit for winter sports.

January 30 was 60 's day and after lunch the students gathered in the gym for the mini-olympics. The bad weather that day put a damper on the festivities as there were sixty-one students absent. The remaing students had fun by competing with an airplane throw, shoe race, class pyramids, and cracker whistle.

After the competition, which the Seniors won, the students met in the auditorium for a dance.

The next day was little kid's day, and Dress Up day finished off the week.

The students seemed to greet the Winter Carnival activities with enthusiasm and many hopes that it will become tradition.



Nineteen out of 20 members participated at the District competition in Glenwood Springs.


Left to RightStanding; K. Sanburg, J. Shields, L. Land, H. Hite, Mrs. Benesch(Advisor), T. Davidson, C. Jones, K. McElroy, C. Docheff. Kneeling; P. Baker, K. Camblin, L. Ritschard, G. Ritschard, J. Anderson, D. Colburn. Sitting: M. Ritschard (Parl.) C. Kemp (Treasurer), C. Anderson (President), D. Fay (V. President), T. Culbreath (Secretary).


The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs.


The End.


It was a long trip to Glenwood.

T. Davidson, J. Anderson, C. Anderson, T. Culbreath, and Advisor Mrs. Benesch attended the State F.B.L.A. Leadership Conference at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs.

West Grand's Future Business Leaders had a very busy and productive year.

One of their biggest projects was taking inventory at Murray Lumber. The club also sold refreshments to students $\varepsilon$ faculty during activity periods.
F.B.L.A.'s two main events of the year are Districts and State.

This year, nineteen members of the club attended District Competition at Roaring Fork High School. Awards presented to West Grand were: Christy Jones, 5th place in Typing I; Mike Ritschard, Peggy Baker, Ruth Kostreva, Lindii Ritschard, Cathy Docheff, 4th place Parliamentary Procedure Team; Ruth Kostreva, 4th place in Business Math, Kathy Sanburg, 3rd place in Extemporaneous Speaking; Tracey Davidson, 1st place in Business Communications. Tracey Davidson was the only member who qualified for State.

Many thanks go to this years officers, President Carol Anderson, V.President Delia Fay, Secretary Tammy Culbreath, Treasurer Crockett Kemp, \& also to F.B.L.A. sponsor Mrs. Benesch for leading the way to a better business club.

FFA

The West Grand Future Farmers of America Chapter had a great year which included many activities. The officers for $1979-80$ were: President, Karen McElroy; Vice President, Mike Ritschard; Secretary, Lindee Ritschard; Treasurer, Cal Davison; Reporter, Jodi Hill; Sentinel, Bill Matheson.

During the summer, the officers attended an Officer's Training Camp where they filled out worksheets and answered questions which helped each officer become more aware of the office in which they were elected. They also planned the program of activities to be held throughout the year.
Three members attended the State Convention in June: Chris McElroy. Karen McElroy, and Lindee Ritschard. At the convention, the delegates attended an Officer's Training Seminar. The members received a bronze medal for their chapter rating.

During October, the chapter sent a dairy team and a horse team to the State Judging Contest held in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Every other year, six delegates are chosen from the chapter to represent West Grand at the National Convention held in Kansas City, Missouri. This year, the delegates toured the Truman Library and
watched the American Royal Stock Show. watched the American Royal Stock Show.


Back Row: L to R•Randy James, Don Graham, Jim Ellison, Rob McEuen, Cal Davison, (Treasurer), Bill Matheson (Sentinel), Mike Ritschard (V. President), Jodi Hill (Reporter), Don Matheson, Mike Zocholl. Middle Row: Gerald Gallegos, Port Toft, Jeff Largent, Phillip Gallegos, Tim Huebbe, Shelby Kline, Jodi McElroy, Lindee Ritschard (Secretary), Jerri Wall, Letitia Land, Pat Burke. Kneeling: Mr. Abbott (Advisor), Karen McElroy (President), Cathy Docheff.


At the Annual F.F.A. Parent and Member Banquet held during March, the $1979-80$ award winners were recognized in: Swine Production; Placement in Ag. Production; Sheep Production; Horse Proficiency; Beef Production; Livestock Production; Mechanics; Fish \& Wildlife Management; Poultry; Outstanding Freshman; Outstanding Sophomore; Outstanding Junior; Outstanding Senior; Star Greenhand; Star Chapter Farmer; Honorary Chapter Farmer. New officers were also installed for the 1980-81 year at the banquet: President, Jodi Hill; Vice President, Letitia Land; Secretary, Jerri Wall; Treasurer, Lindee Ritschard; Reporter, Pat Burke; and Sentinel, Richard Moore.

The chapter ended their year with the annual F.F.A. slave sale. Each member was auctioned to the highest bidder and worked as a slave one day out of the week.

Congratulations to the F.F.A. members and Mr. Abbott for a successful year!


## FHA A GREAT



LtoR: Top Row: Stacey Hadlock, Sandra Wilson, Christy Jones, Julie Goebel, Tammi Paterson, Patti Stone, Deanna Anderson, Jeri Wall, Lindi Ritschard, Gina Curran. Second Row: Brenda Docheff, Lori Parks, Janet Anderson, Letitia Land, Lisa Eberhard, Kelly Camblin, Kathy Miller. Bottom Row: Phyllis Fay, Terry Mitchell, Ralph Santisteven, Ronda Reynolds.


## GONG SHOW




The West Grand FHA chapter has grown tremendously these past two years. Coming to Kremmling last year, sponsor, Jennifer Bumgarner found a very small, almost unheard of FHA chapter. A meeting was called for all interested and officers were elected. One of the biggest activities planned was the first annual Gong Show. This event was very exciting and fun for everyone. Last spring the FHA sold Sing-a-grams for Easter. This also was a smashing success.
This year FHA grew approximately $50 \%$. So the gong show was twice as fun.
In March the club took a feild trip with all their money earned in the past two years.
At 7:00 a.m., 22 students and two sponsors boarded the bus bound of Denver. They toured the Molly Brown house, and In at the Mart. They roller skated (or attempted to roller skate), shopped and ended the day with dinner at Casa Bonita. Everyone felt the trip was well worth the money and hard work. These students helped to build a successful group out of an almost un-heard of club, and had one heck of a time and a lot of fun doing it.



Have you ever wondered why we have a Forensics club?

According to Sandra Almgren, West Grand's Forensics coach, the purpose is: "To give speeches, go to meets, and maybe even win awards. But there are other advantages as well. A speech meet can be fun too; while you are not competing, you can watch other events: just sit back and enjoy some duet acting, humorous speeches, or maybe poetry.

You meet students from other schools and can look forward to seeing them at different meets throughout the year. Also, you get to know students from our school, people you hardly said hello to before."

Various reasons were given by Forensics members when asked why they participated in the club. Most thought it was fun, others just liked to get involved, and on member summed it up with, "It is exciting, there's something positive going on. Also, I like to meet kids who are into intellegence instead of drugs."

The Forensics team was only able to travel to three meets this year, Debate Meet, Districts and State. Although the team is small, consisting of only 12 members, they managed to bring home fourteen awards.


One of the awards the Forensics team was most proud of was won by debating partners Larry Donner and Kathy Sangurg. Larry and Kathy were West Grand's first debate team to compete in Districts and State; they placed highly at both meets.

The Forensics club would also like to take this opportunity to applaud Senior Peggy Baker as their most loyal and experienced member. This was Peggy's third year and last year as a "speecher" and she will be greatly missed, along with Seniors Ronda Reynolds, Gina Ritschard, and Mark Stevens.

Some students may be afraid to join Forensics because they would be embarassed to lose at the meets, but as Coach Almgren puts it, tlat v a winner. Even though an award may be won, if a student has worked hard, I know he knows that he has gained something more valuable than certificates and ribbons, namely confidence and pride.

## FUN YEAR



Top Row: LtoR Deanna Anderson, Mrs. Almgren, Kathy Sanburg, Ruth Kostreva, Larry Donner, Joe Shields, Mark Stevens. Bottom Row: LtoR Gina Ritschard, Brent Miller, Ronda Reynolds, Peggy Baker.

## "SPIRIT" <br> CREATED



## AT W.G.H.S. - FALL PLAY




Congratulations to the play cast and Mr. Rhode for a job well done.


## [T®



Lights! Camera! Action! And now, brought to you from West Grand High School's own drama club, we present Up The Down Staircase directed by Mr. Lynn Rhode!

Yes, it was the time of year again to bring out the ol' play books and start memorizing lines. This year's spring play, Up The Down Staircase, called for a larger cast than ever tried before at West Grand. Many parts had to be combined to fit the number of people trying out for the play, and as no one was sure how it would all turn out, it was with nervous anticipation that the cast awaited opening night.

The setting for the play was a large, overcrowded high school. There Sylvia Barrett, a young, determined woman, was about to teach her first class. She had many problems, not only with her boisterous home room class, but also with her fellow faculty members


who didn't have the time or energy to become involved with the students. As she dealt with a principal whose only concern was running his system smoothly, a librarian who didn't want books checked out of the library, and an English teacher who graded a students love letter, Sylvia also had to deal with problem children like Joe Ferone. Joe was "contemptuous, insolent, very bright, but flunking every subject." He didn't want to believe in anyone, even Sylvia, especially when she makes plans to leave to teach at a small college.

Another teacher at the school, Bea "Mom" Schacter, tries her to help Sylvia with her problems. Bea tells her to get to what the kids are really saying, get past whatever walls they've built to keep her out.

Sylvia also gets help from her best friend, Ellen, who she converses with in letters.

The play builds to a point of hopeless frustration which somehow turns into a happy ending when Sylvia and Joe decide to try again. The rest of Sylvia's class has also changed for the better and they are glad to have her back.

The play cast would like to thank everyone who helped make the play a success. They would especially like to thank Mrs. Gallagher for doing such a terrific job with makeup.

Many thanks also goes to Mr. Rhode, whose patience and persistence helped the cast through the many rehearsals.

And last, but not least, a big Thank You to the audiences who traveled with cooperation into the wacky world of drama.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

West Grand was very fortunate this year to have two very special people directing the Student Council, Head Girl Delia Fay and Head Boy Mike Ritschard. Delia and Mike put a lot of time and energy into making Student Council a success. Their evaluation of this year's Student Council is, "This year, Student Council tried new and different things. We had our meeting during a class hour in the afternoon which was very successful. Also the scheduling of the Winter Carnival with a Mini-Olympics was greatly enjoyed by the students. The presentation of Powerplay by Camfel Produc tions was warmly greeted by everyone. It's been a good year.



Left to Right: Back Row-Brian Ohri, Ted Ritschard, Tammy Culbreath. Middle Row-Ronda Reynolds, Greg Kline, Carol Anderson, Gina Ritschard. Front Row-Mike Ritschard(Head Boy), Delia Fay(Head Girl), Mike Sanderson, Karen McElroy.



The West Grand Student Council has tried many new and exciting projects this year.

Concerned with the problem of growing dissention, each member brought one or two guests to a Student Council meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to listen to the students opinion of the school They were also asked for ideas to bring the students closer together.

Other Student Council activities were: Homecoming, dances, Christmas hall decorating competition, showing the movie One on One, Winter Carnival, presenting Power Play by Camfel Productions, and the annual Scholarship Drive.

The Student Council feels this has been a successful year, and would like to thank all the people who helped to make it so.


## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



The West Grand Chapter of the National Honor Society was composed of seven members during the 1979.80 school year. They were: Mike Sanderson, President(Senior); Jerry Demmitt, Vice President (Senior); Tracey Davidson, Secretary(Senior); Peggy Baker, Treasurer(Senior); John D'Aoust(Senior); Mike Ritschard(Senior); Cathy Culbreath(Junior).

This year, the Honor Society sponsored an "Answes Please" Scholastic Competition patterned after the original "College Bowl" format. There were four teams of four students each that competed against each of the other teams. The two teams with the most points then played against each other, and the remaining teams vied for the consolation spot. The Honor Society hopes that this event will generate more interest and participation for next year. Who know, we may even have a faculty team!

The new inductees this year were two Juniors, Lisa Eberhard and Tammy Culbreath. The Society is planning a midsemester induction ceremony for those students who are eligible and elected to membership by the faculty council.



PEOPLE


Kelly Camblin


Matt Davidson


Ron Fay


Phillip Gallegos


Randy James
Mike Lemon

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Alan Johnston
Christi Knox


Juanita Cordova


James Donner


Mark Gross


Tim Huebbe


Shelby Kline
Mike Manuel


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Deanna Anderson


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Cathy Culbreath


Tammy Culbreath


Gina Curran


Larry Donner


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SENIORS AND FACULTY



Sandra Almgren Speech, English
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Lynn Rhode- English, Journalism, Drama


Nancy Abbott- Spanish, Photography
Language is an important part of a good education, and essential to a students growth. West Grand has many classes dealing with speech, history of literature, and writing the English language.

Also offered is an excellant Spanish program designed not only to teach the language, but to give a cultural background as well.

Many students are also

involved on the
Forensics and Debate
clubs.


Jerry Pitzer-Social Studies, P.E.


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West Grand students are fortunate to have available to them a wide range and variety of classes in the social science area. The offerings are made very applicable to society by such things as special projects, programs, debates films and a delegation to the United Nations simulation in Grand Junction. The U.N. participants captured a trophy in their first year of competition.


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## Peggy Baker

By friendship you mean the greatest love, the greatest usefulness, the most open communication, the noblest sufferings, the severest truth, the heartiest counsel, and the greatest union of which brave men and women are capable.

Jeremy Taylor


The time has come.
The future is now.
Our childhood is a part of yesterday. This moment that we've waited for.
A chance to grow.
To be on our own,
The freedom to live our lives.
We must choose between right and wrong
Responsibility is trust at us,
To grasp at it quickly is to survive.
There is no turning back,
What you wanted has been achieved.
A whole new beginning.
The future is now.


Larry Gross- Biological Science

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The strong offerings in our mathematics curriculum, ranging from basic algebra through calculus, have been sucessful in preparing West Grand students for vocations and college. These courses have been complimented in every case by the inclusion of computer techniques which broaden the experience and interest of the students on these classes.
Biological sciences has been expanded to include a full year course in both Zoology and Botony. Once again this has made available to students the level of education necessary to succeed in todays society.




Gary Winfield-Computer Science


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Of what use the friendliest disposition even if there are no hours given to friendship, if it is forever postponed to unimportant duties and relations: friendship is first, friendship last.

The class of 1980 has had it's ups and downs throughout the years, but through it all the class has remained very unique and individual

Starting out as nervous freshman they began trying to leave their marks on West Grand High.
Their sophomore year seemed to be a growing apart time, and one class member remarked, "I think everyone would agree that our sophomore year was the worst."

As juniors, time flew by as the class raised money for Prom by having many activities like a spagetti dinner, rock-a•thon, managing the concession stand, junior carnival, and selling magizine subscriptions.

By the time senior year was reached many class members realized that this was their last year together, and they were determined to make their best. Many school activities, like Senior Pinic, plays, and participating in sports together, will always provide fond memories.

But more importantly, the happiest memories will be of the hours given to friendship. These hours are the ones spent eating, talking, and laughing together, playing games like charades and fruit together, praying and attending church together.


Jennifer Bumgarner- Home Economics
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Barbara Benesch-Business

Two areas of education at West Grand are concerned with training students for specific skills. These skills are designed to aid students after they have left high school.

Business classes are offered to students who wish to gain skills in ac

counting, office procedures, typing, and general business.

Home Economics classes teach it's members how to cook, sew, and take care of children. It is also designed to help students plan for life after high school.


Bruce Uhrich- Art

Creativity has always been important to West Grand. Students have a need to express themselves and many choose to do it in an art, shop, or vo-ag class.

All of these classes draw a great number of students who want to "do something with my hands besides write.'

Students work is displayed at the end of the year where everyone can admire the drawings, paintings, ceramics, and woodwork.

Many class projects are also entered in the county fair, either in the area of $4 \cdot \mathrm{H}$ of as contestants in the exhibit hall.

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Tam Michel


Becky smith


Gronda Creynuldo Youth is the pleasant spring of life, when joy is stirring in the dancing blood, and nature calls us with a thousand songs to share her general feast.

Ridgeway
The attachments of mere mirth are but the shadows of that true friendship of which the sincere affections of the heart are the substance.

Burton


Mike Rituchard



## Mod D. Stane




## Dina Ritschard

Youth, with swift feet, walks onward in the way; the land of joy lies all before his eyes. Youth is beautiful. Its friendship is precious. The intercourse with it is a purifying release from the worn and stained hardness of older life.

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Gird on thy sword, o man, thy strength endure,
In fair desire thine earthborn joy renew. Live thou thy life beneath the making sun,
Till beauty, truth, and love in thee are one.



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Roseann Cochran- Counselor

## Support Services And Band Support Services And Bar

West Grand High School has always had a very helpful special education program and this year has seen an improvement.

Two counselors are now available to help students with any questions or problems they may have. Also a guidence group meets every Tuesday to let students discuss their feelings about school, each other, home, and themselves.

A special education class is given for students who need extra attention with their studies. The class is like a study hall except an instructor is there to help students with any questions
 they may have.



Gary Knapp-Band


Although the band program has decreased during the past year, the band teacher is doing a great job of getting things going again. The enrollment, enthusiasm, and participation in the junior high band is increasing.

The media center at West Grand is serving the student body in several ways unique to this school. In addition to the referance materials, students have access to vidio tapes, microfilm readers and laminaters which enhances their education here and prepares them for more education

## Support Services And Band Support Services And Ban






MEMORIES

## SENIOR (T)



On Friday morning, May 16, the senior class and their sponsors loaded up a bus and drove to Gene and Mimi Ritschard's ranch for their last picnic together.

The day was warm and sunny, and just to be outside instead of in school was a great feeling. While some seniors played frisbee football, others started a volleyball game. Members of West Grand's own volleyball team were heard to deny ever having seen a volleyball before as they learned that playing volleyball outside was a whole different story.

When it was time for lunch everyone fixed their own hamburgers, with Mr. Longsdorf's help, and commenced to "pig out". Along with hamburgers the menu included potato chips and dip, cookies, marshmallows, and pop.

After lunch it was more volleyball, frisbee, and even a baseball game was played.

Then, a tired but content group boarded the bus and left behind a sparkling day of sunshine and laughter that will always remain a happy memory.


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Academic and scholarship awards were presented to many deserving students on the evening of May 13.

Tammy Culbreath and Lisa Eberhard were inducted into the National Honor Society, this started the evening off right.

Mr. Larry Gross presented the science award to senior Cal Davison. Mrs. Almgren awarded Jeggy Baker the forensics award for her three years of devotion and hard work.

Crockett Kemp and Karen McElroy were awarded certificates of merit.

Mr. Lynn Rhode chose Gina Ritschard, Peggy Baker, and Mark Stevens to receive the dramatics award.

Kelly McEuen, Stacey Hadlock, Lisa Eberhard, and Lori Roper accepted awards for their excellence in art from instructor Bruce Urich.

Mr. Nancy Abbott awarded Gina Curran, Lisa Eberhard, and Kelly McEuen spanish
pins. While Chris Huebbe and Kathy Miller accepted the photography award.

Mr. John Almgren acknowledged Peggy Baker, Gina Ritschard, Julie Goebel, Tammy Culbteath, Ruth Kostreva, and Joe Shields for their participation in the Model United Nations workshop in Grand Junction.

Senior Tracey Davidson earned the Library, Business, and Citizenship awards.
Peggy Baker was given the John Phillip Sousa award for band.

Lori Parks received the yearbook award for her years service as Editor from Mr. Duane Scholl.

Bill Matheson and Mike Ritschard were given the industrial arts award, while Mike Sanderson won the math award.

Ronda Reynolds earned the Home Economics award, and Debbie Colburn was given the Scholarship award.


## NIGHT

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Mark Young was awarded a pin for his near perfect attendence record, and Delia Fay was acknowledged for her years service as Head Girl, along with Mike Ritschards for Head Boy.

Mike Ritschard, Mike Sanderson, John D'Aoust, Peggy Baker, Tracey Davidson, Debbie Colburn, Tammy Culbreath, Cathy Culbreath, Lindee Ritachard, and Mark Gross were all given script K's for their scholarship and involvement.

The Young American Creative Patriotic Art was given to Lisa Eberhard, Stacey Hadlock, and Lori Roper

Joe Shields was awarded the Voice of Democracy. Julie Goebel was awarded the United Nations Trip.

Recipients of Boy's State were Greg Kline and Greg Knorr.

## ATHLETIC

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Left to Right • Cathy Culbreath, Shelby Kline, Mark Gross, Brent Miller, Greg Kline, Dwight Lister, Roger Ryburn, and Shawn Scholl.

The 1980 Athletic Banquet was held Thursday May 15. The Banquet started at $6: 30$ with the assembly following it at 8:00.

Mr. Richard Longsdorf gave the welcoming speech for the evening.

This year was different from the rest of the Athletic Banquets. Instead of having a guest speaker, there was a slide presentation. It was of all the highlights of the 1979-1980 sports season. Everyone felt that this was much more impressive than having a guest speaker.

Following the slide presentation Mr. Maurice Noll gave a summary of the football season and read a letter from head football coach Jerry Pitzer who could not be there. Mr. Noll awarded Robert Higgins, Ken Ashton, Kyle Scholl, Mark Stevens, and Greg Kline with an AllConference Football Medal.

Mr. John Almgren then awarded Barbara Donald and Cathy Culbreath with an All-Conference Certificate for Volleyball.

Mrs. Karen Reese summerized the Gymnastic season in one word "adventure." She recognized allthe girls for their hard work and talked to them about not having a gymnastic team next year.

Mr. Maurice Noll once again awarded All-Conference and Honorable Mention certificates this time for girls basketball. The recipiants of this award were Christy Jones, Delia Fay, Carol Anderson, and Cathy Culbreath.


## BANQUET

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Left to Right - Leroy Hite, Julie Goebel, Christy Jones, Mark Gross, Mark Stevens, Brent Miller, Delia Fay, Ronda Reynolds, and Kyle Scholl.


Mr. John Almgren awarded John D'Aoust and Mike Ritschard All-Conference and Honorable Mention for basketball. Mr. Almgren also wished Mr. Mike O'Hotto the best of luck next year in coaching the boys.

Mr. Duane Scholl commented on the wrestling season saying that they were a fine bunch of young men to work with. He then turned it over to his assistant Mr. Bruce Uhrich, he recognized Kyle Scholl and AI Manguso for being State Champions.


Mr. Joe Shields gave out the Scholar Athlete patches and bars. He also gave out the Chevron awards. The four year Chevron award went to Ken Ashton.

Mr. Bruce Urich was honored by awarding the Chet Hunter Award to the most devoted fan, Miss Lenore Dolph.

Mr. John Almgren awarded the most prestige award of the night to John D'Aoust as outstanding athlete.

So another Athletic Banquet came to a close. Until next year when the many outstanding athletes are again honored by the coaches.

Queen-Delia Fay King-Bill Matheson


On the evening of April 26, 1980, two buses from West Grand headed for the Ramada Inn in Silverthorne for the 1980 Junior-Senior Prom.

Upon arrival, everyone changed into their best and awaited the meal. The menu consisted of Cornish Game Hen, Baked Potato, Corn on the Cob, Salad, Roll, and Apple Pie. After the chow had been served, the band, "Load Limit" began to play.

At ten o'clock, the Homecoming Royalty was announced: Queen, Delia Fay; King, Bill Matheson; Princess, Christy Jones; and Prince, Greg Knorr. Other Senior candidates were: John D'Aoust, Marty Cecil, Jerry Demmitt, Barb Donald, Carol Anderson, and Gina Ritschard. Other Junior candidates were: AI Manguso, Dick Broady, Greg Kline, Cathy Culbreath, Phyllis Fay, and Tammy Culbreath.

The night included many activities such as swimming, pinball games, and dancing. A continental breakfast consisting of rolls, juice, and coffee was served at 1:00 a.m.


Princess-Christy Jones
Prince-Greg Knorr


At 1:30, the tired group reloaded the buses and departed for Kremmling.

## 1980

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Senior Candidates
Left John D'Aoust
Barb Donald
Right- Carol Anderson
Marty Cecil
Not Shown Gina Ritschard Jerry Demmitt


Junior Candidates
Left. Cathy Culbreath
Alfred Manguso
Above Greg Knorr
Phyllis Fay
Right Tammy Culbreath Dick Broady
Below Christy Jones Greg Kline



Poem to the Seniors
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The tradition of Baccalaureate was once again revisited on May 17 by the 29 graduating seniors, their families, and friends.

The evening started with Bill Taussig giving the invocation, after which the Mustang Choir sang the beautiful song Candle On The Water.

Mr. Larry Roper then gave the Baccalaureate Address to the benefit of the seniors as he spoke on their own class motto:

Our hopes are high
Our dreams are varied,
Our gains are many,
Our path is wide.
Mr. Roper hoped that, on the wide path of life, the seniors would eventually choose the narrow path leading to God.

Bill Taussig then gave the benediction and the curtain came down on another Baccalaureate.


## LAUREATE

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For 29 seniors May 23 was the last day for them to be West Grand Mustangs.

The class dressed in light blue and dark blue caps and gowns listened while Father Thomas Bradtke opened the ceremony with the invocation.

Salutitorian David Kostreva gave his speech on the many roads in life to take. Valedictorian Mike Sanderson addressed the audience with a speech about the great achievers in history.

As the end of the occasion neared, Mr. Gene McConnell presented the graduating class of 1980, and Gene Ritschard awarded the diplomas.

As thoughts of happiness and fear entered the minds of the graduates, the Benediction was given by Father Bradtke.

And for the Class of 1980 their high school days are over.


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