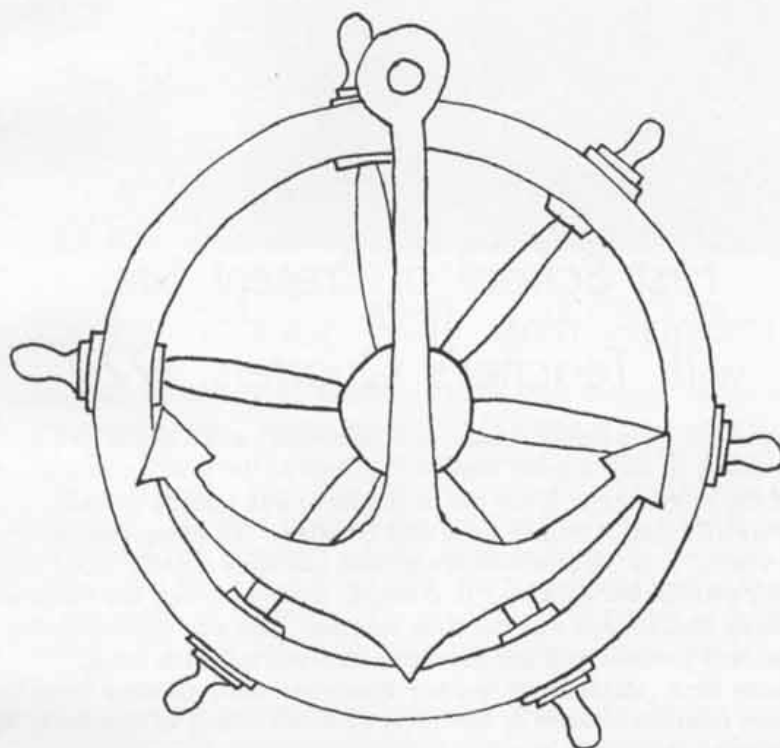


MARINERS LOG

# **MARINERS LOG**



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HOMER, ALASKA**



## *First School at Present Site, with Teacher's Quarters, 1929*

With an eleven-room elementary school, a high school, and a brand new elementary school it is interesting to take a brief backward glance at the development and history of the schools of the Homer area since the first school was opened in 1920.

Many outsiders still think of Homer as a wild frontier. To those who have lived here for a number of years, it is obvious that the growth has been steady, if not phenomenal.

The first school established here was in 1920-21, and was called the Kachemak Bay School. Nellie Jean McCullough was the first teacher. She was approximately twenty-five years of age, and arrived with her husband, who started a fox farm.

The nine students Mrs. McCullough had her first year were children from the Nielson, Newton, and Peary families. Some of them had attended school in Denmark, but, because they spoke no English, they were enrolled in the first grade.

The school building was a little one-room log cabin. There were no desks and all seats were homemade benches. The heating system was a pot-bellied coalstove, lighting was by kerosene lanterns, and drinking water was brought in buckets.

Many inconveniences and seemingly unsurmountable obstacles challenged the pioneer teacher, but the fantastic high salary of \$150 a month was quite an incentive. Mrs. McCullough taught in this school, which was located on the Starr Nielsen homestead near Miller's Landing, for two years.

In 1922 the community built a new log school, and the Department of Education in Juneau provided the furnishings and school supplies. Miss Carlotta Crabb, about twenty-five years of age, was the teacher that year. She had been hired by the local school board. The Territory paid her salary.

In 1923-24 Miss Jean Flindal taught in the Kachemak Bay school. In December of that year a fire destroyed the building. Charlie Miller, who still resides in Homer, moved from his own cabin so that it could be used as a school for the remainder of the term.

In 1924-25 Jim Graham, Homer's first male teacher, arrived. He also taught in the Miller cabin and had six students.



## Homer School, 1941, with Addition, 1952

In the same year a new school, named the Cook Inlet School, was built and put into operation near the present site. Approximately 6 1/2 acres of land were donated for this school by Mr. Mae Harrington and one-half acre was donated by Alfred Anderson, presently living in Homer. Miss Jean Flindal, with six students, was the first teacher in Cook Inlet School. In order to obtain the sixth student--to make it possible to open the school--Miss Flindal had to import a child from Seldovia for the year. This building, too, was destroyed by fire in January, 1929, and school was held at the Woodard home--stead for the remainder of the year. The Department of Education built a new school with separate teacher's quarters and hired Margaret Richardson as teacher for the 1929-30 school year.

Throughout the years many teachers arrived in Homer to assume their responsibilities. Some married and became permanent members of the community; others found it difficult to live in the primitive conditions they found here and moved to new locations. Mrs. Mabel Shotter, who taught at the Cook Inlet School in 1934-35, organized the Homer Women's Club and established the Homer Public Library.

In December, 1939, the Homer Hill School was opened with Margaret Richardson the teacher. The school opened with a Christmas program. The school was still the center of social activities and the town "turned out" for the program.

From 1939-42 Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Allan taught at Cook Inlet School. Homer was growing, as this was the first time more than one teacher had been hired for a school. The Allans taught in Homer's first high school with six or seven students in attendance. In 1940-41 an additional teacher was employed.

In 1941-42 the frame building which today is occupied by part of the grade school was erected. The modern building--with indoor plumbing, electricity, lights, and oil heat--became the focal point of community activities. The auditorium was Homer's only dance hall and the upstairs provided two apartments for the teachers.

In 1943 the Kachemak Bay School, which had been in continuous operation, was discontinued, and buses brought students to the Cook Inlet School. In 1946 the Hill School was closed and never re-opened. In 1949 the East Hill School was opened. Mrs. Mead taught in this school from 1949 until it was closed in 1952. The concrete wing to the present frame building was added in 1952.



## *Homer High School, 1958*

The high school building constructed by the State of Alaska was opened in September, 1958. The structure included seven well-equipped classrooms and a gymnasium, which provided enough space and facilities to enlarge the curriculum.

The new grade school east of the town of Homer was occupied during part of the second semester of 1963-64. Approximately three hundred students were enrolled in Grades 1 through 6. The school was built by the Department of Education in Juneau and financed with State funds.



## *Homer Elementary School, 1964*





# ADMINISTRATION



MR. J. ELLSWORTH McCARTHY  
Mansfield, Pennsylvania  
Mansfield State Teachers College  
B.S.  
Pennsylvania State Teachers College  
M. Ed.  
Superintendent of Schools

Mr. McCarthy served as superintendent of schools from September to January 1 when he resigned to accept a position as Education Specialist for the Alaska Department of Education, Anchorage office.

A successful school man, Mr. McCarthy possesses leadership qualities which impel teachers and students to reach for wider horizons and challenge ineventualities. His verve and enthusiasm have inspired us.

The educational principles of "Mac" are based on the premise that the propriety of students is the most important ingredient for a sound school system to function properly. He has set some policies in motion that time will give wings to; in so doing he has been amenable to those with whom he is associated.

The faculty and students are sincerely hopeful that Mr. McCarthy's future will be bright.

STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Homer

SCHOOL

To the Students of Homer:

You are achieving perhaps your greatest goal in life, for this is the foundation upon which your future is built.

Education bears the torch that enlightens the world, fires the imagination of man, feeds the flame of genius, and gives wings to dreams and might to hand and brain.

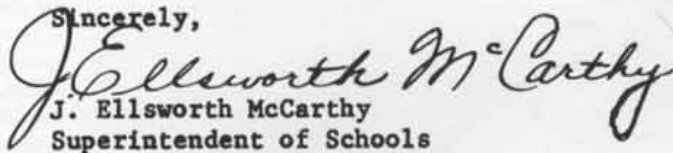
It wears the scars of struggle and the stripes of toil, but bears in triumph the wisdom of all ages. Philosophy, science, and art are the works of education. It banishes ignorance, discourages vice, and disarms anarchy.

Education has become freedom's citadel, the arm of democracy, the hope of youth, the pride of adolescence, and the joy of age.

The school is the workshop for education. It stirs ambitions, stimulates ideals, and forges the keys that open the door to opportunity. "Keep on Learning" is the road to long life and perpetual happiness. Men of advanced years have accomplished great things, all because they retained the habit of learning.

Education is a continuous process. Always remember the words of Lord Brougham, "Education makes people easy to lead, but difficult to drive, easy to govern but impossible to enslave."

Congratulations, seniors, on the achievement of this goal. It is the basis for your future. Do not stop here. The future is not twenty years, ten years or five years. The future is tomorrow morning.

Sincerely,  
  
J. Ellsworth McCarthy  
Superintendent of Schools





MR. ROBERT L. COLLINS  
New York City  
New York University  
M. A.  
Superintendent of Schools

The faculty and students of the Homer School welcomed Mr. Collins as the new superintendent on December 16, 1963. We hope that Mr. Collins' tenure in Homer will be most pleasant and profitable.

MR. DONALD E. RONDA  
Midland, Michigan  
Antioch College  
B. S.  
University of California, Berkley  
M. A.  
High School Principal, Shop



Mr. Ronda, our high school principal, has influenced the students through worthwhile counseling and by being helpful when we needed help.

Because of his desire to understand our problems and help us solve them, Mr. Ronda has been willing to devote time to become personally acquainted with us, the students of Homer High, thus establishing better rapport between students and faculty. We appreciate his interest and assistance.



ACULTY

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ROGER J. ANDERSON  
Spokane, Washington  
Eastern Washington State College  
B. A.  
Spanish, English 1

VELTON W. CASON  
Fountain Hill, Arkansas  
University of Arkansas  
B. S. A.  
Science, General Math



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Drake University  
B. A.  
University of Colorado  
M. Bus. Ed.  
Business Education



BETH CROCKETT  
Mesa, Arizona  
University of Arizona  
B. S.  
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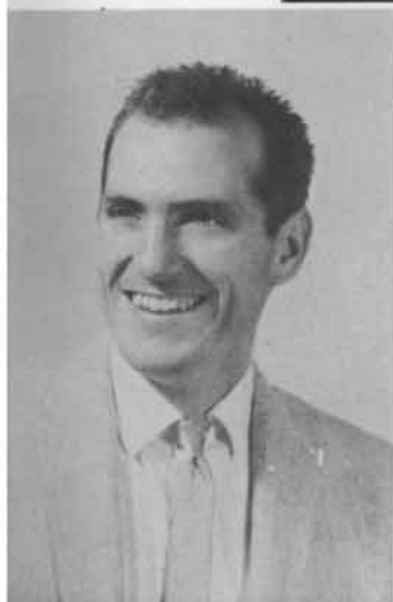
GLEN E. DYER  
Idalou, Texas  
West Texas State  
B. S.  
Math



GEORGE L. PEASE, JR.  
Erie, Pennsylvania  
University of Virginia  
B. S.  
History, Government



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Seattle, Washington  
University of Washington  
B. A.  
English



DONALD SANDERS  
Seward, Alaska  
University of Alaska  
B. E.  
Science, Boys' P. E., Coach



MRS. ALMA MILLER  
Kansas  
Arizona State University  
B. E.  
Music

JOHN B. MCCARL  
Winona, Minnesota  
Winona State College  
B. S.  
Seventh Grade



DAVID K. SCHROER  
Pearl City, Illinois  
Carthage College  
B. A.  
Sixth Grade, Jr. High Coach



RALPH G. COWLES  
Elwood, Nebraska  
University of Washington  
B. A., M. A.  
Eighth Grade



BOB STOKES  
Fifth Grade





JACK L. DUNHAM  
Texas  
Sam Houston State  
B. S.  
Fifth Grade



MRS. MARY ANN DUNHAM  
Houston, Texas  
Sam Houston State  
B. S.  
Third Grade



MRS. ESTHER ANDERSON  
Portland, Oregon  
Oregon College of Education  
Fourth Grade

MRS. THEO KNIGHT  
Whitsett, North Carolina  
Elon College  
Third Grade



MRS. JUANITA H. STEELMAN  
Prosser, Washington  
Central Washington College  
B. A.  
Third-Fourth Grades







MRS. VIOLA JERREL  
Montana  
Huron College  
B. A.  
Second Grade

MRS. JANE P. CASON  
Fountain Hill, Arkansas  
Arkansas A. & M.  
B. S. E.  
First Grade



MRS. CAROL DEITZ  
Sarles, North Dakota  
B. A.  
Second Grade

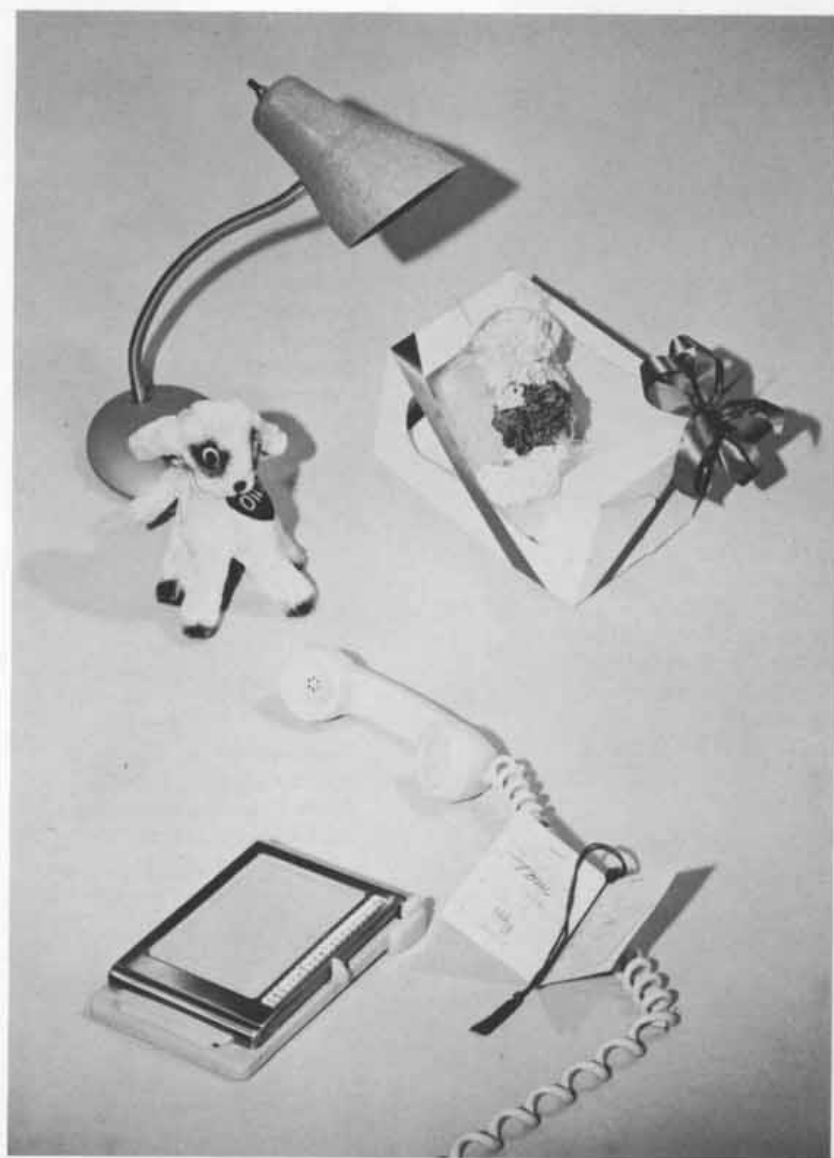


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Lexington, Massachusetts  
Simmons College  
B. S.  
First Grade

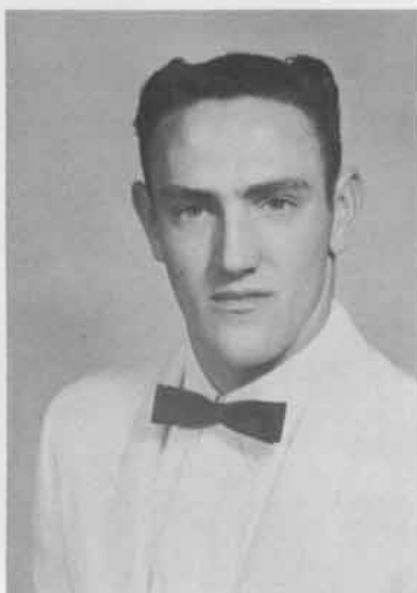
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MRS. JOSEPHINE GREENE  
Superior, Wisconsin  
Wisconsin State College  
B. S.  
Seventh Grade



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ENIORS



JACK ALEXANDER

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
Track 1, 2, 3, 4  
Cross Country 1, 2  
Athletic Club President 4  
Athletic Club Secretary 3  
Ski Club 1  
Class Vice-President 2

FRED CASE

Pep Club 4  
Science Club  
Transfer East Anchorage



JEAN ELIZABETH COLE

Mariners Log 3, 4  
Editor 3  
Idi-Odyssey 3, 4  
Editor 4  
Ski Club 1  
Secretary 1  
Operetta 3, 4  
Chorus 2, 4  
Spanish Club 3  
Student Council 1  
Secretary 1  
Class Secretary 1, 3, 4



PANSY DANBY

GAA 4  
Music Club 3, 4  
Operetta 3, 4  
Class Vice-President 2  
Student Council 2  
Secretary 2  
FHA 2, 4



ROSA LEA BOLTON DEVANEY

FHA 2, 3  
Reporter 2





JOHN HOLLIS  
Science Club 3



VAL MCLAY  
Track 2, 3, 4  
Ski Club 1, 2, 3, 4  
Student Council 1



RAY HOOVER  
Science Club 3, 4  
Secretary 4

LEE MARTIN  
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
Track 1, 2, 3, 4  
Cross Country 1, 2, 4  
Ski Club 1, 2



DIANNE JONES  
Basketball 3, 4  
Spanish Club 3





PAM MIDDLETON  
Class Vice-President 1  
Class Secretary 2  
Class Treasurer 4  
Student Council 2

ROD PIEREN  
Operetta 4  
Chorus 4  
Basketball 4  
Transfer Wasilla, Alaska



MIKE PLATT  
Class President 3, 4  
Basketball 1, 3  
Track 1, 2, 3, 4  
School Play 1  
Spanish Club 3  
Student Council 3, 4  
President 4  
Scholastic Award 3

RONALD ROZAK  
Track 2, 3, 4  
Class Vice-President 4  
Student Council 4  
Wrestling 4  
Scholastic Award 1, 2, 3

CLIFF STEELMAN  
Spanish Club 3  
Vice-President 3  
Operetta 4  
Chorus 4  
Transfer Prosser, Washington





KATHY TILLMAN  
Music Club 3, 4  
Operetta 4  
Science Club 3  
Secretary 3  
Class Treasurer 1, 3  
Band 3, 4  
Scholastic Award 1, 2



MARALEE WADDINGTON  
Chorus 4  
Operetta 4  
Transfer Reno, Nevada



MARY WICKERSHAM  
Mariners Log 3, 4  
Editor 4  
Idi-Odyssey 3, 4  
Editor 3  
Pep Club 3  
GAA 3  
Spanish Club 3

JIMMY WILLIAMS  
Track 1, 2  
Science Club 3, 4  
President 3  
Class Treasurer 2





We, the Seniors of Homer High School, must now leave the outer realms of childhood and go into the world to make our way.

Through the years we have participated in many events and activities sponsored by other classes, and also by our class. We have presented our Prom and Christmas Ball. We have sponsored movies and held dances and many candy sales to raise money for our class activities. But we have not given as much as we have received.



#### CLASS OFFICERS

Treasurer  
PAM MIDDLETON

Secretary  
JEAN COLE

Vice President  
RON ROZAK

President  
MIKE PLATT

Faculty Sponsor  
MR. PEASE

Homer High School has prepared us to go on to bigger, better things: it has given us our start in life, and for this we will always be grateful.

We will always keep Homer in our hearts--a memory to be treasured and cherished above all others. As we, the Class of '64, leave our friends in Homer, we must thank the administrators and teachers for the hours, days, and years they toiled with us.

## Class Will

We, the Senior Class of '64, being of relatively sound mind, do will and bequeath anything which we happen to have forgotten to take with us to whomever grabs it first. Individually, we will and bequeath the following:

I, Jack Alexander, will my clean gym shorts and my ability to get into trouble to Mike Pate.

I, Fred Case, leave my curly locks to any girl who wants them. (Don't rush, girls, there's enough for all.)

I, Jean Cole, will good luck and happiness to future Homer graduates, hoping that they will learn more and have as much fun as I did in HHS.

I, Pansy Danby, do will my good grades and talent in bookkeeping to my sister, Georgea.

I, Rosa Lea Devaney, don't will nothing to nobody 'cause I'm taking it all with me.

I, John Hollis, will HHS to anyone who wants it.

I, Ray Hoover, will to Uwe Joos all the fun which I had with my jeep.

I, Dianne Jones, do hereby will and bequeath all my unused tardy slips and unfinished history assignments to my cousin, Helen Jones.

I, Val McLay, will all my charms to the boys coming behind me. I also leave my math know-how to my brother, Bert, and my heart to Susie Arndt.

I, Lee Martin, leave my abilities as a basketball champ to my brother, Ray. I also leave my luck with girls to Ray.

I, Rod Pieren, leave my ability to stay out of trouble and to get along with teachers to anyone who wants it.

I, Mike Platt, leave my luck in Student Council elections to Dennis Calhoun. I also leave a final thought for all the students of Homer: "As far as a man dreams, that far may he also go."

I, Ron Rozak, being of feeble mind and diseased body, do hereby will and bequeath these outstanding hobbies to Dennis Calhoun. I also honorably present him with my back-scratcher which I used to scale fish.

I, Cliff Steelman, do will all the girls who are left in Homer to my brother, Joe, in hope that some day he will become the great lover I have the record of being.

I, Kathy Tillman, do honorably will and bequeath my ability to discuss calmly with Mr. Pease to anyone in his class next year who wants to.

I, Maralee Waddington, will my serene disposition and patience to Pam Waddell, who needs it as much as I do.

I, Mary Wickersham, will my position on the Idi-Odyssey and Mariners Log Staff to Lani Edlund and Kathy Reynoldson.

I, Jim Williams, will my electronic know-how to Larry Smith-- somebody is going to have to know how to keep this school running.

I, Pam Middleton, do hereby bequeath my whole 6'1" to Bonnie Thompson and my spanking clean locker to my brother, Jeff.

# Class Prophecy

Date line: New York City  
January 15, 2000  
New York Times Newsroom

The following bits of information have just been received on the successful careers of the 1964 graduates of the Homer High School:

Jack Alexander has been a true "Kenai Peninsula Product" politician. He became rich and famous by tacking on a 20 per cent tax on all fish caught in Cook Inlet. He ran into trouble, however, when the popular vote made him run for cover in the state elections.

In the year 1993 the world was awakened by the astounding achievements of Dr. Frederick Case, the great physicist, who invented rubber lightning and powdered water, both of which have been proven very useful on the planet, Jupiter, as artificial electricity and instant H<sub>2</sub>O.

Then, there's Ray Hoover. He has become a literary genius and composer of high-class music. Some of his more widely-known works are: "Drink Along with Ray," "Ford Tractor Stomp," "Bunny Boots Blues," and "Half-Track Harry."

Mike Platt is still smiling for Colgate Toothpaste Company though he is quite an old codger by now. He has several sets of false teeth and brushes them all with Colgate Toothpaste.

Everyone knows the famous and fabulous Mr. Rodney Val McLay, who has become famous all over the world as a first-class entertainer and comedian. His antics are quite similar to those of the late Jerry Lewis, popular comedian in the 1960's.

Mr. James Williams turned into quite an enterprising soul (surprise!) after all. He learned the complicated act of flying kites by remote control. In his later years, however, he threw away his skills by joining the Moon Mullins and took off to outer space. He hasn't been heard from lately, but we all hope he had happy landings wherever he went.

People in the stenographic field are well acquainted with the accomplishments of Rosa Lea Devaney, renown secretary. She invented the shortest system of shorthand imaginable---so short it barely covers the alphabet.

Living way out in the swamps of northeast Homer, Alaska, on a 7,000-acre farm, is Ronald Rozak. He became a very wealthy hermit by selling the invaluable furs of swamp foxes for the nominal price of \$5,000 rubles.

The formidable Miss Maralee Waddington has become a famous name in circuses all over the United States. She has made her living by training elephants and renting them out to various circuses throughout the land. In her spare time she sells peanuts for pocket money.

The great Senorita Dianne Jones has become an accomplished opera singer. It is rumored that on her next tour with Alaska Music Trails she will return to Homer, Alaska, and will have a sentimental reunion with her hometown cronies.

Through fifty-five years of unrewarding work and self-determination Lee Martin, missionary, professor and gambler, has helped the poverty-stricken nations of Africa improve their tobacco plants and gum trees.

Kathy Tillman, a research technician for Johnson & Johnson, has developed such useful household commodities as waterproof diapers made from neoprene rain jackets, a pink baby hair oil, and Susan, Jane, Alex, Carol, Betty, Bobby, and George.

United States Olympic champion miler and unexcelled heavyweight of the underworld, John Hollis, has signed a contract with the Texaco Oil Company to endorse their "muscle man" shock absorber.

Having married a French-Canadian airplane pilot, Pansy Danby has become an influential member of the Canadian Parliament. Mrs. Pansy French is also a very active member of a local glider club.

The following sign seen on a brewery in Olympia, Washington, sums up Jean Cole's activities since she has left Homer High School. "Coming Soon--Miss Jean Cole. At 56 Miss Cole is the youngest United States woman lumberjack to enter in the ax throwing event. Come one, come all, see this Eighth Wonder of the World."

Being a trustworthy, loyal, noble and self-contained individual, Rod Pieren has gained a world-wide reputation as an authority on birds while serving a perpetual visit to "Rock Island."

Known throughout Alaska for her good cooking and unusual hunting ability, Pam Middleton has built a large meat business from scraps. Many of Pam's Ram Hams are members of the Boone and Crockett club.

Dr. Cliff Steelman, a professor at Harvard, has written two books, "Why Study English?" and "Romantic Handwriting Made Easy." He teaches his students simple, clear, idiomatic language, but sometimes has trouble expressing himself.

Mary Wickersham has led a very prosperous and adventuresome life as the wife of a travelling salesman. She has added to the population bomb by bringing ten little brunettes into the world.



1. J. Hollis
2. J. Alexander
3. M. Wickersham
4. R. Rozak
5. J. Cole
6. L. Martin

## 1964 Graduates Shown in Fifth Grade

In September, 1952, several little boys and girls with bright, eager faces, started their first year of formal education in the Homer School. Among these children were five who would continue attending school in Homer throughout their grade school and high school years. These five were Mary Wickersham, John Hollis, Val McLay, Kathy Tillman, and Jean Cole.

Finally, in 1960, the big day arrived when this class, then thirty-nine in number, entered their first year of high school. Fourteen of them were to spend all of their high school time in Homer High School. This class went through a typical Freshman year--making many mistakes but slowly learning to get along in their "high school world."

In the 1962-63 school year the class had finally reached the position of "upperclassmen" next only to the Seniors. This class of future Seniors was in charge of the concession stands at basketball games. To close their year, they were hosts for the lovely Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom.

At last, in September, 1963, the young, eager students, who, just eleven years before were first graders, had achieved the station of Seniors in Homer High School. The year brought for them the excitement which comes to all Senior classes--all activities aiming at graduation.

For some of them, the romance of wedding bells awaits soon after graduation. For others--higher education, travel, and careers in the business world. No matter where their lives may take them, the '64 graduates of Homer High School will fondly remember the activities, friends, and knowledge gained in their grade school and high school years.



1. Jackie 2. Jean 3. Pam 4. Pansy 5. Val

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6. Kathy 7. Rosa Lea 8. Mary 9. Mike 10. Ron 11. Jimmy



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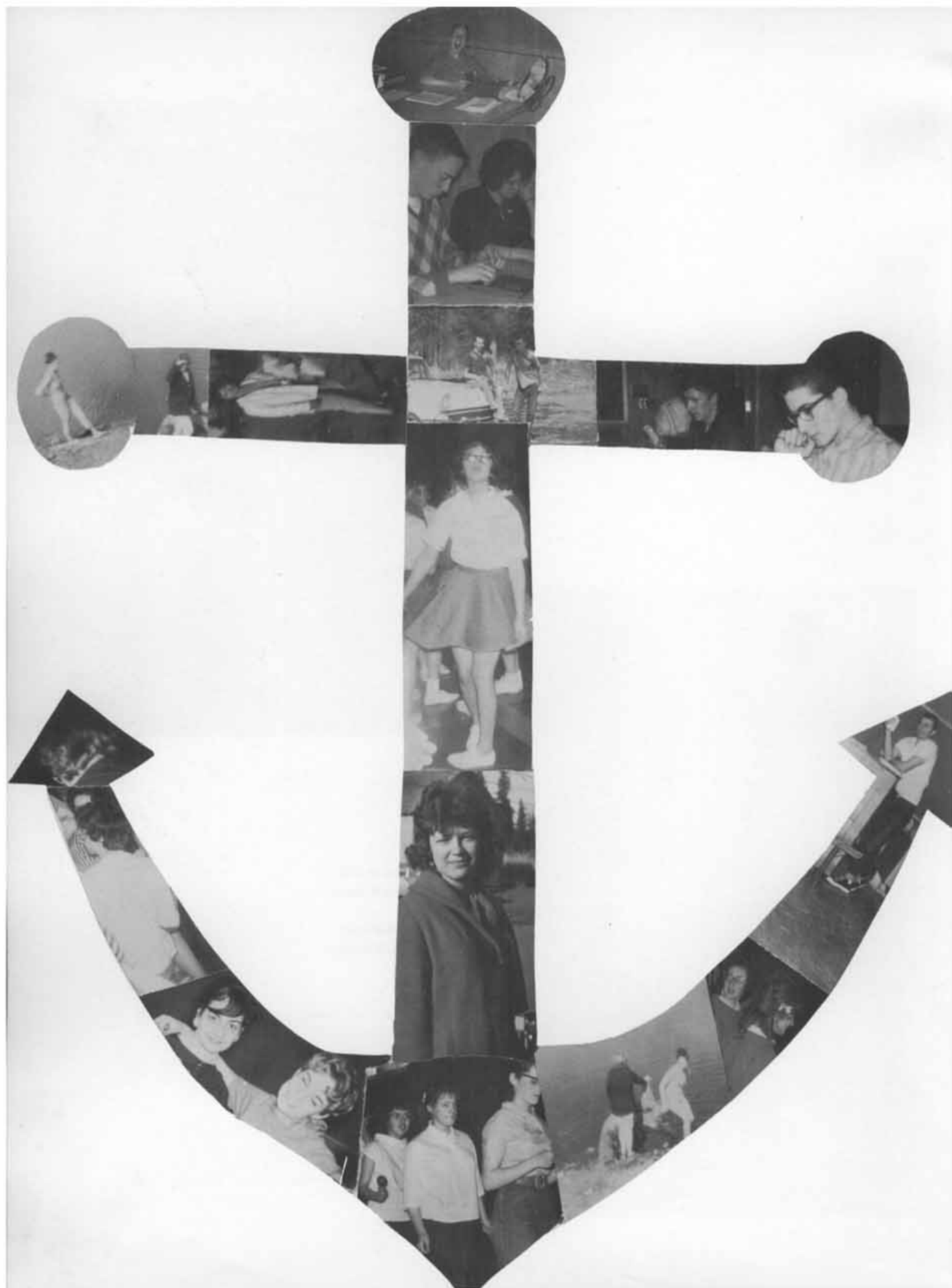
Lorena Smith  
Bonnie Thompson

Pam Waddell  
Linda Williams



Not shown: Shirley Hurley





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OPHOMORES

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Gwen Case  
Vice-President



Mary Rearden  
Secretary



Tania Uminski  
Treasurer



Ernie Belnap  
Andy Blatchford



Allan Blatchford  
Virginia Choate



Jack Collie  
Georgea Danby



Mike Devaney  
Suzanne Judd



Jeff Middleton  
Janice Pixler



Sandy Platt  
Larry Smith



Trefim Wassillie  
Sheryl White



Margie Whiteside  
Margaret Wickersham

Not Shown: Judy Johnson,  
John Loosli, Billy Williams





RESHMEN

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Carol Hunt  
Treasurer



Susie Arndt  
Francie Belnap  
Charles Blaine



John Blatchford  
Art Browning  
Sally Calhoun



Nancy Case  
Bill Choate  
Lydia Cooper



Mary Jo Gates  
Janice Gregory  
Debbie Grisham

Billie Harrington  
Jimmie Hudec  
Warren Huff

Cherry Huffman  
Helen Jones  
Atz Kilcher





Burt McLay  
Janet Mitchell  
Millie Morawitz



Bobby Moss  
Paul Mutch  
Leon Myhill



Mary Paquette  
Shirley Paquette  
Floyd Roehl

Hans Roehl  
Marshall Rosi  
Greg Rozak



Sandra Saling  
Sonja Severson  
Robert Thompson



August Tillman  
Judy Wilkins  
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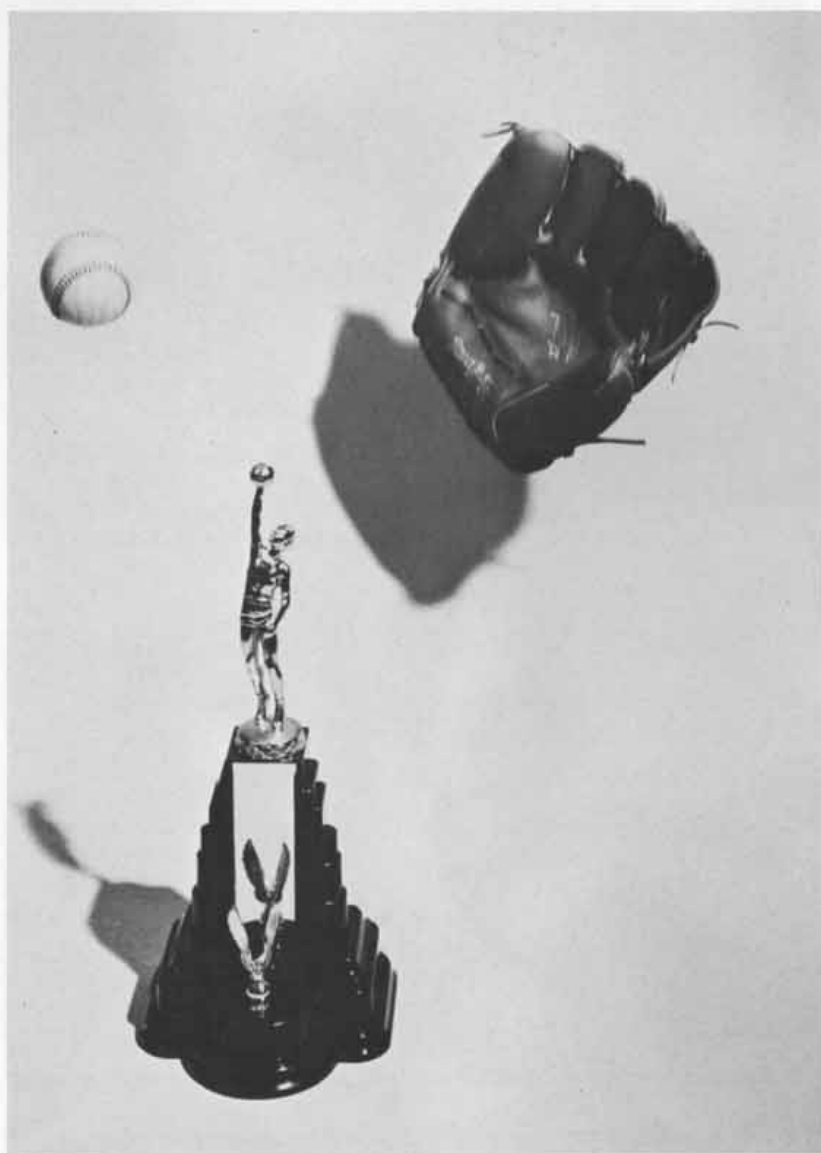


Not Shown: Karen Lyon, Patricia Meckem, Cheryl Rollins, Susan Scheffer.





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PORTS

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KNEELING: Ray Martin, John Selle, Jack Alexander, Brad Nixon, Jim Selle, Greg Rozak, Jack Collie. SECOND ROW: Philip Brudie, Bert McLay, Steve Wolfe, Steve Nixon, Art Browning, Warren Huff. THIRD ROW: John Beitman, Dennis Calhoun, Mike Pate, Mike Platt, Ron Rozak, Lee Martin, Rod Pieren, Mr. Sanders.

## Athletic Club

Homer athletics enjoyed another fine year in 1963-64. Two sports, cross-country track and wrestling, were added to the basketball and track of our last year's sports program.

The high school Cross-Country Team ran to a good year, placing second in the Kenai Peninsula Meet and seventh in the State Meet.

This was Homer's first year to have a wrestling team, but the boys on the team accredited themselves very well. It is hoped that wrestling will become a popular sport in the school.

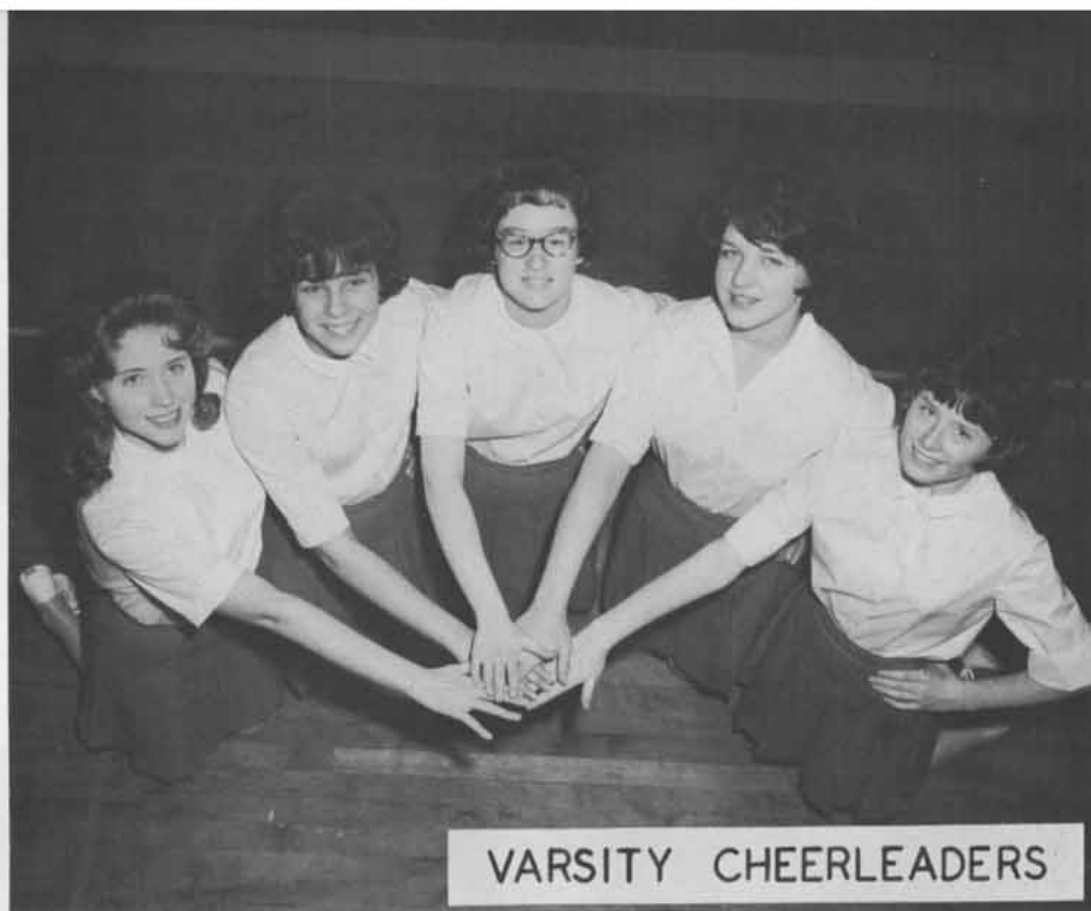
In basketball the Mariners started the year out with a bang by winning the Thanksgiving Tournament at Glenallen, and improved steadily after that time.

Homer, a "B" school, had a perfect record against other "B" schools in regular season play, winning five games.

The varsity basketball team was composed of Jack Alexander, Jack Collie, Lee Martin, Ray Martin, Mike Pate, Dennis Calhoun, Rod Pieren, John Beitman, Brad Nixon, and John Selle.

Homer	66	Nenana	46	Homer	43	Seward	58
"	53	Monroe	52	"	83	Wasilla	60
"	46	Kodiak	98	"	74	Wasilla	68
"	59	Kodiak	74	"	60	Palmer	77
"	54	Kenai	76	"	47	Palmer	67
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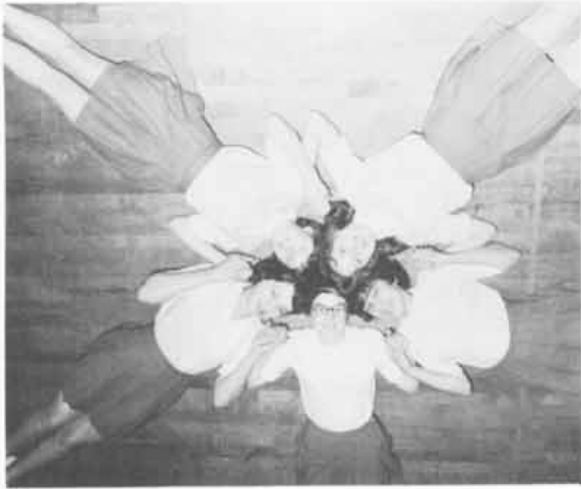
## VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

Judy Johnson, Gwen Case, Linda Williams, Sheryl White, Sally Flynn



## SONGLEADERS

BOTTOM ROW: Sue Hurley, Shirley Paquette, Mary Rearden.  
TOP ROW: Sally Calhoun, Nancy Case, Sandy Platt, Miss  
Crockett.





## Pep Club

The Pep Club has actively supported Homer High's teams in all athletic contests. Money making projects began with a bake sale. Pencils with basketball schedules printed on them and blue and gold hats were also sold by Pep Club members. The Club sponsored a dance for Ray Martin, Homer High's "Most Eligible Bachelor." Ray was crowned by Cliff Steelman, last year's "bachelor."

During basketball season, the Pep Club elected songleaders for the first time. The Club designed welcome signs for home games, provided ticket takers, and made a bus trip to the Kenai game. During half time at the Seldovia game, members held a blanket toss to help raise money for Dennis Calhoun's trip to the Student Burgesses. All Pep Club members accumulate points during the year for their work. Those with the most points were honored with pins and awards at the final awards assembly.

The GAA met weekly after scheduling different sports throughout the year. Girls had playoffs for each sport to get winning teams to send to Kenai for the big event of the year, the Kenai Field Day.

## GAA

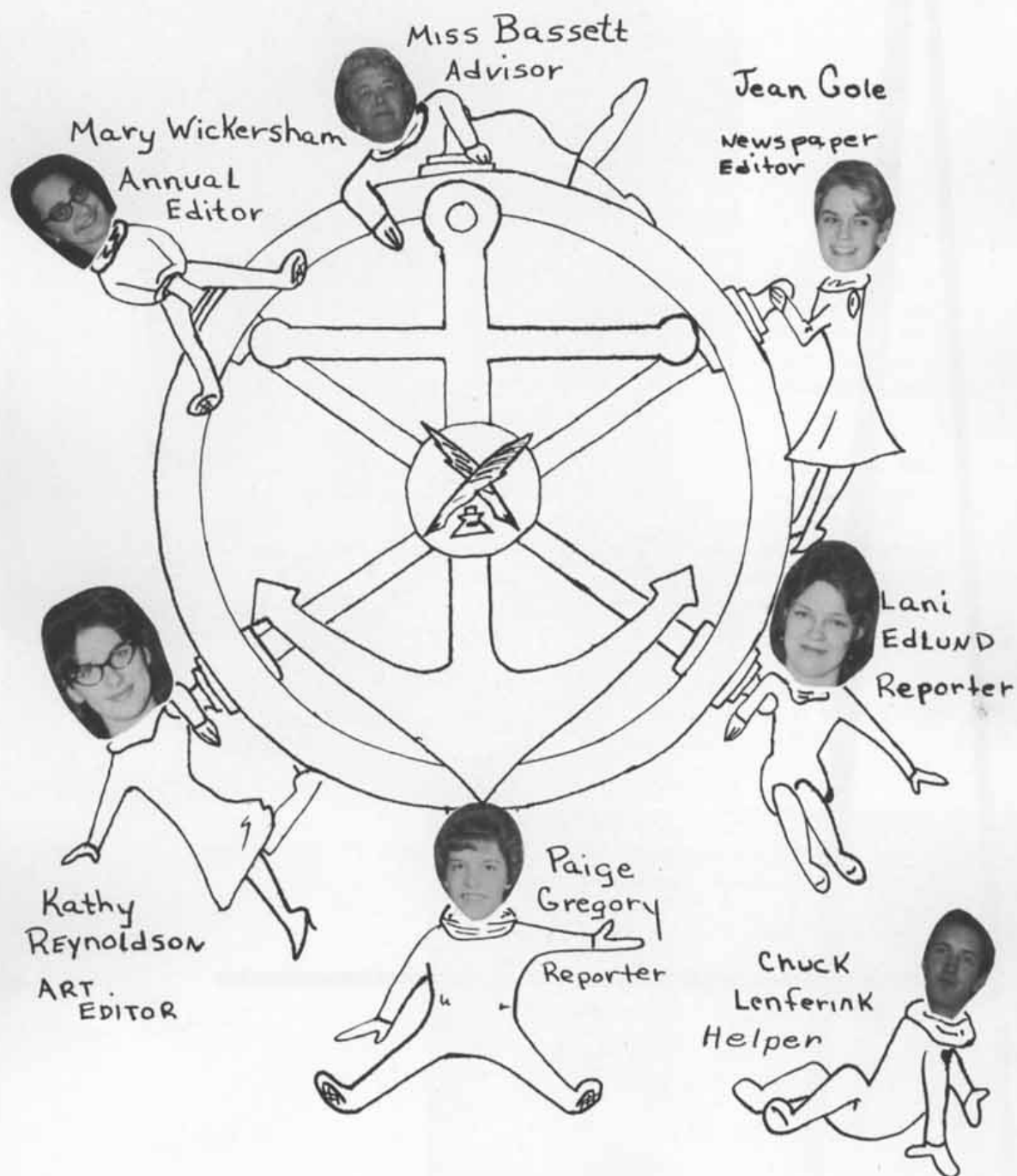




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# ANNUAL AND NEWSPAPER STAFF





Left to back: Steve Nixon, August Tillman, Val McLay, Dennis Calhoun (Vice-President), Mr. Pease, Advisor. Right to back: Mary Rearden, Millie Morawitz (Corresponding Secretary), Leon Myhill, John Selle, Bonnie Thompson (Secretary), Mike Platt (President).

## Student Council

In its second year as an active member of the National Association of Student Councils, Homer High School's own governing body has established a reputation on the local and state level which may prove difficult to surpass.

The Council's goals have been simple, yet not unimportant. Primarily by stimulation, cooperation with, and coordinating the various school-sponsored clubs and activities the way has been paved to provide a better relationship among the students, faculty, and administration of the high school, as well as the community in general.

Perhaps the Council's greatest honor came at the October State Convention in Fairbanks when Homer's invitation to host the 1964 State Convention of Student Councils was met with unanimous approval by the delegates at that meeting. Homer High School was ably represented by Mike Platt and Dennis Calhoun. The latter received probably the most highly prized honor that can come to any council member by having the opportunity to represent not only his school but the entire State of Alaska as well at the International Student Burgesses held in Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia in February.

In rounding out what might be considered a most successful year, the Council compiled, adopted, and distributed a Code for Good Citizenship, held a dance in the fall, a spring banquet for its members, several fund raising sales, and a "Hootenanny."

The Council has always tried to do its best to represent the student body and to fulfill its many obligations and responsibilities. The past year for the Student Council has not only been successful but rewarding also to both its members and the students of Homer High School.



## Chorus

Jean Cole, Pattie Brandt, Kathy Reynoldson, Paige Gregory,  
Rod Pieren, Cliff Steelman, Atz Kilcher, Maralee  
Waddington, Mrs. Miller (seated).

## Pep Band

SEATED: Pete Cole, Mrs. Miller, Karen Mitchell, Millie Morawitz, Tania Uminski, Lynn Cason, Loren Myhill, David Cooper, Pansy Danby, Pat Mullins, Brenda Cowles.  
STANDING: Jimmy Saling, Drew Nixon, Mike Morawitz, Linda Miller, Melvin Adkins, Atz Kilcher, Pat McMorrow, Judy Wilkins, Luella Lynch, Dan Calhoun, Leon Myhill, Bonnie Thompson, Kathy Tillman, Nedra Carroll





SEATED:  
Linda Miller  
Mrs. Miller  
Tania Uminski  
Luella Lynch  
Judy Wilkins  
STANDING:  
Nedra Carroll  
Bonnie Thompson  
Melvin Adkins  
Pat McMorrow  
Patricia Mullins  
Pansy Danby  
Brenda Cowles  
Drew Nixon

## Dance Band

Following is the list of activities for the 1963-64 school year: Musiplay, "Familiar Stranger," November 23; Pep Band played for all home basketball games; Christmas Program, December 18; Operetta, "King Ko-Ko," April 17-18; WAHSAA Spring Music Festival, Anchorage, April 23-25; Homer School Music Festival, May 4; Baccalaureate, May 10; Graduation, May 14.

The high school Dance Band was organized this year for advanced instrumentalists. Practicing after school hours made it difficult for some to attend. Some of our high school musicians participated in community programs--ACCA Talent Show and the Homer Winter Carnival.

## High School Band

SEATED:  
Tania Uminski  
Mrs. Miller  
Patricia Mullins  
Pansy Danby  
STANDING:  
Linda Miller  
Atz Kilcher  
Melvin Adkins  
Leon Myhill  
Bonnie Thompson  
Kathy Tillman  
Luella Lynch  
Judy Wilkins





SEATED:  
 Francie Belnap  
 Pansy Danby  
 Georgea Danby  
 Mary Jo Gates  
 Sonja Severson  
 STANDING:  
 Miss Crockett  
 Sheryl Rollins  
 Lydia Cooper  
 Debbie Grisham  
 Sherrie Harris  
 Margaret Wickersham  
 Mary Rearden  
 Margie Whiteside

## FHA

## Librarians

Jim Williams  
 Lorena Smith  
 Tania Uminski  
 Pam Middleton  
 Pansy Danby  
 Mr. Anderson

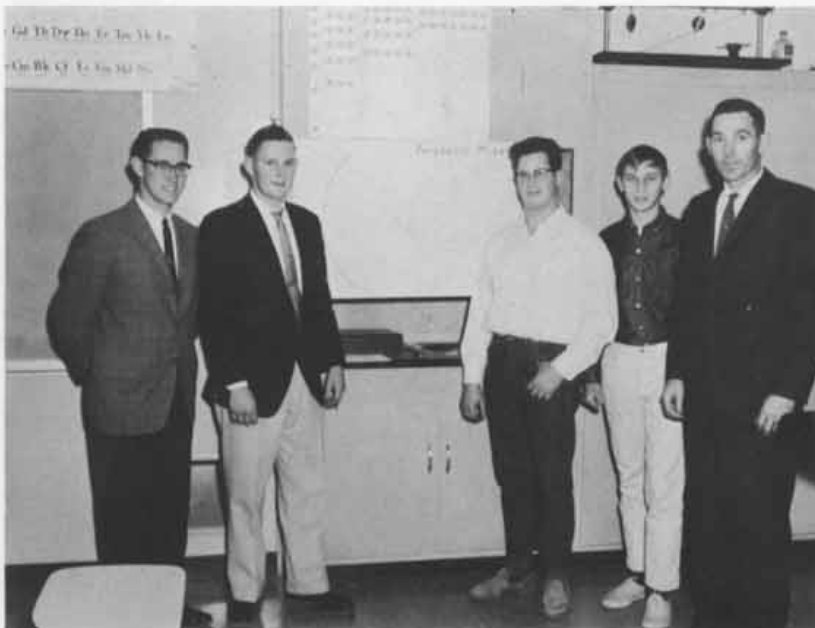


## Shop Club



Mr. Ronda, Bill Choate, Tom Gregoire, Jim Williams,  
Ray Hoover.

Jim Williams, Ray Hoover, Bill Hollis, Fred Case, Mr.  
Cason.



## Science Club

English  
Miss Joelson



## Classes of Homer High



Math  
Mr. Dyer





History  
Mr. Pease



Spanish  
Mr. Anderson



Typing  
Miss Bassett





B. Brakefield, B. Barton, F. Wilkins, J. Lee, B. Mullens.



Mrs. Fogle, Mrs. Klemetsen

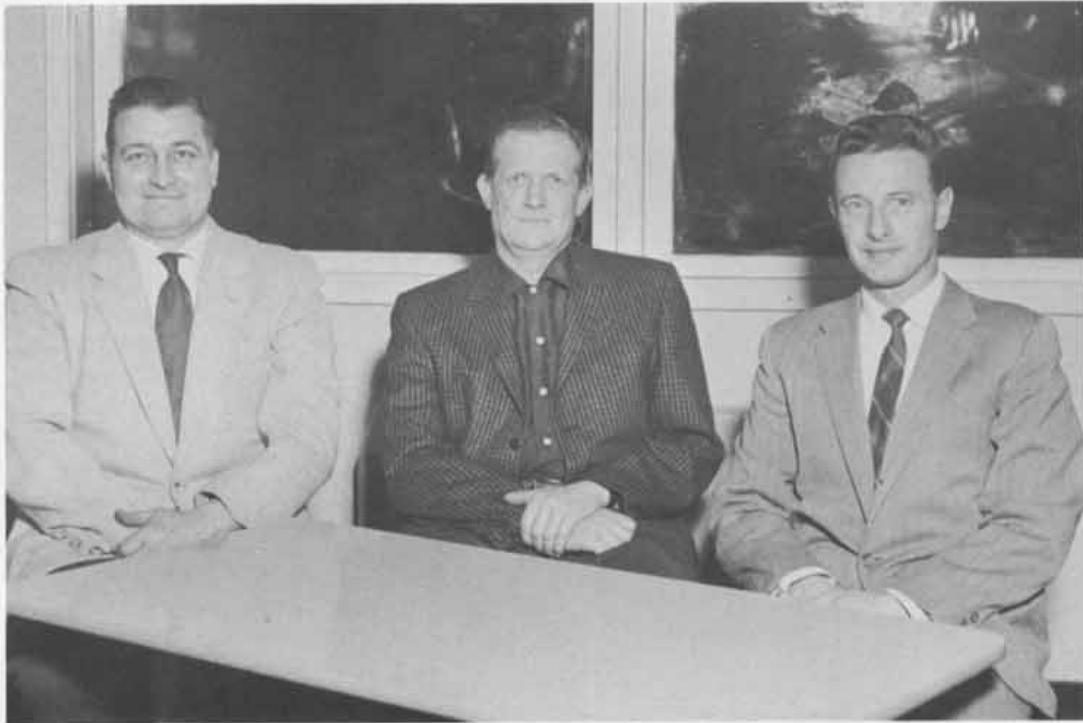


P. Banks, K. Klemetsen



Mrs. Carroll, C. Williams

## Advisory School Committee



Messrs. Art Kolar, Ed Rehder, Milt Turkington

Since 1960 the group pictured here has ably served as members of the Homer Advisory School Board. During their tenure, they have given generously of their time and efforts for the best interests of the Homer School.

With the advent of borough government, the borough school board requested this board to serve as the Homer Advisory School Committee to be guided by policies established by the borough school board.

## Christmas Ball

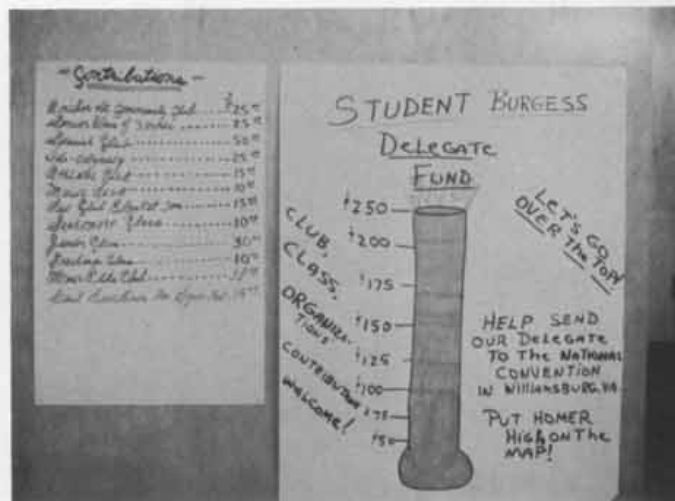


The conference, in its seventh year of operation, annually provides for an examination of fundamental ideas and problems of world-wide interest and importance to young adults in the democratic world.



Dennis

In order to raise funds for Homer School's share of travel expenses, the Student Council started a drive and with fine support from school clubs and classes and organizations in the community, necessary expenses were raised in less than three days.



Fund Raising Campaign Poster



Mr. Cason really loves his work.



Come on, show those teeth, Miss Bassett.

We know school is boring, Miss Joelson.



Mr. Sanders, let us in on the joke.



What an example!!



Playing with paper dolls, Mr. Ronda?



Ready for dictation, secretary?



Poor Mr. Pease--Senior Homeroom teacher.





## Teachers for a Day









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## Eighth Grade



TOP ROW: Betty Dees, David Cooper, Mike Morawitz, Tom Dusenberry, Susan Wilkins, Nancy Hoedel, Darlene Hatfield. THIRD ROW: Nedra Carroll, Patty Pate, Pauline Hanson, Gayle Gregory, Melody Dufour, Barbara Schnoor, Pat McMorrow, Bev Mullins. SECOND ROW: Katherine Johnson, Lynette Abbott, Brenda Cowles, Cindy Middleton, Karen Mitchell, Danny Wolfe, Drew Nixon, Lynn Kennedy, Gerald Alexander. BOTTOM ROW: Roy Morris, Dick Gregoire, John Reynoldson, Ronnie Gribble, Dan Calhoun, Loren Myhill, Doug Knodel.

Not Shown: Mr. Cowles, Mary Hunt.

## Seventh Grade



TOP ROW: Mr. McCarl, Susan Nielsen, Edward Rehder, Andrew McMorrow, Judy Cartwright, Kristina Evertson, Debbie Nixon. MIDDLE ROW: Lynn Burnett, Charlene Abbott, Charlotte Gribble, Helen Pixler, Lydia McGaughey, David Long, Michael Harris, Larry Martin, Lynn Cason. BOTTOM ROW: Michael Dunham, Randall Judd, John Browning, Robert Meier, Leonard Cole, Jean Mead, Sharon Cooper.

## Seventh Grade



TOP ROW: Sandra Judd, Robby Hoedel, Craig Oliver, Linda Harden, Tinker DeRushe, Kelly Lee. MIDDLE ROW: Leila Venta, Jo Ann Johnson, Cairn Munroe, Lael Venta, Dan Veerhusen, Rodger White, Craig Grisham. BOTTOM ROW: Rolly Huffman, Jim Saling, Tom Maxwell, John Hanson, Reid Robinson.

Not Shown: Melvin Harrington, Lilliane Drake, Elaine Roehl, Mrs. Greene.

## Sixth Grade



TOP ROW: Mr. Schroer, Alice Wickersham, Terry Sullivan, Rhonda Breakfield, Debbie Roehl, Shawn Dustman, Ellen Nussbaum, Carmen Maxwell, Mary Ellen Rehder. MIDDLE ROW: Mike Blaine, Richard Rollins, George Hansen, Dennis Gregoire, Paul Vanderbrink, Jim Vick, Pat Stangl. BOTTOM ROW: Bobby Wilkins, John Johnson, Gary Mullens, Quenten Arndt, Mike Rearden, Ralph Plant, Kim Byrd, Mike Sharp.

Not Shown: Susan Sullivan.

## Fifth and Sixth Grade



TOP ROW: Bob Stokes, Jonathon Cason, Tim Mead, Tim Nixon, Otto Kilcher, Barbara Child, Molli Dunham. MIDDLE ROW: Mary McMorrow, Bill Cronin, Tony Carlson, Linda Hudec, Patsy Harrington, John Hatfield, Carla Jones, Rebecca Wolfe. BOTTOM ROW: Jim Calhoun, Bobby Whiteside, Kevin Dahlgren, Mike McGaughey, Ricky Anderson, Chris Moss, James Gregory.

## Fifth Grade



TOP ROW: Mr. Dunham, Paul Klemetsen, Sandy Miller, Kathy Schnoor, John Oliver, Sparky Long, Steve Meier, Tony Sanders. THIRD ROW: Winifred Dufour, Judy White, Gayle Spaulding, Jennie Dusenberry, Holly Huffman, Fred Morris, Tony Hansen. SECOND ROW: Carol Nussbaum, Ramona Wolfe, Dixie Judd, Lane Harden, Marti Matthews, Gus Johnson, Jim Blaine. BOTTOM ROW: Milton Turkington, Jimmy Mullins, Kelly Sutherland, Mervyn Vahlbusch, Cathy Cooper, Billy Devaney, Kathy McGaughey.



## Fourth Grade



TOP ROW: Mrs. Anderson, Frank Hatfield, Kaleen Knodel, Lee Grant, Tim Klingbell, Elizabeth McMorrow. MIDDLE ROW: Charles Thompson, Diane Coulter, Krister Evertson, Allan Deitz, Paul Banks, Johnny Byrd, Al Ray Carroll. BOTTOM ROW: Tammy Maxwell, Dixie Browning, Barbara Weber, Lee Burnett, Ronnie Mullen.

Now Shown: Terry Cooper, Colleen Devaney, Roger Drake, Linda Wilkins, Jana Vanderbrink.

## Fourth Grade



TOP ROW: Mrs. Steelman, Gloria Harrington, Bobbie Rollins, Deborah Palm, Timothy Mitchell, Cristy Miller, Valerie Johnson. MIDDLE ROW: Eileen Roehl, Vicki Sanders, Jeff Cundiff, Eunice Billups, Douglas Hoedel, Michael Mullins, Charles Sullivan, Marian Tillion. BOTTOM ROW: Katherine Spaulding, Nita Harden, Nancy Rehder, Bobby Turkington, Toni Sue Cartwright, Cindy Dufour, Patrick Blaine.

## Third Grade



TOP ROW: Mrs. Knight, Kent Fuchs, Cathy Palm, Sally Hurley, Vinal Jones, Chris Wythe, Mark Cooper. MIDDLE ROW: Bruce Dustman, Nancy Hudec, Greg Mead, Sharon Vick, Janet Spaulding, Jeff Dierich, Floyd Hunter, Diana Child. BOTTOM ROW: Polly Wilkins, Patsy Oliver, Peggy Sharp, Carl Jones, Mark Brown, Sandra Gegory, Kathleen Drahos.

Not Shown: Rebecca Morawitz.

## Third Grade



TOP ROW: Mrs. Dunham, Bryan Myhill, Terrill Maxwell, Linda Evertson, Norma Roehl, Karen Brown, Bonnie Kilcher. MIDDLE ROW: Jill Plant, Deon Teel, Phyllis Bishop, Celeste Waddell, Linda Rogers, Cathy Meier, Micky Dierich, Peter Stokes, Robby Breakfield. BOTTOM ROW: Ken Gribble, Jon Grisham, Pat Sharp, Dirky DeRushe, Kenny Allen, John McGaughey, Aaron Jackson.

Not Shown: Nilane Wise.

## Second Grade



TOP ROW: Kurtis Hawk, David Hunt, Mrs. Deitz, Michel Drake, Nancy Hansen.  
MIDDLE ROW: Danny Gilmore, Lance Matthews, Mary Carroll, Steve Gregory,  
Georgie Lee, Guy Rosi, Martha Tillion. BOTTOM ROW: Ricky Shelford, Donna  
Scroggs, Randy Arndt, Barbara Danby, Claudia Weber.

Not Shown: Gary Arndt.

## Second Grade



TOP ROW: Billy Harrington, Teddy Hatfield, James Meckem, John McMorro, Douglas Cundiff. MIDDLE ROW: Cheryl Turkington, Judy Rogers, Jimmy Long, Ward Harden, Keith Brown. BOTTOM ROW: Peggy Stokes, Brookie Nussbaum, Evelyn Harden, Rebecca Dierich.

Not Shown: Mrs. Jerrel, Nancy Rearden.

## First Grade



TOP ROW: Mrs. Cason, Wanda Brown, Tammy Judd, Jeanne Banks, Beth Nussbaum, Linda Ekron, Rhonda Shelford. MIDDLE ROW: Donna Cooper, Dale Sanders, Michelle Ramsey, Sandy Scroggs, Richard Sullivan, Joey Wieber, Marty Teel, Steven Mitchell, Brian Mead. BOTTOM ROW: Curtis Evertson, Jeff Breakfield, Larry Jones, Robert Heay, Harvey Drahos, Barry Cundiff, Greg Bachman.

Not Shown: Kathy Wise.

## First Grade



TOP ROW: Mrs. Brown, Paul McGaughey, Mark Roehl, Eddie Allen, Tim Blaine, Diana Bates. MIDDLE ROW: Paul Gregoire, Tim Cooper, Julie Yanney, Danny Edens, Kenny Deitz, Jackie Huffman. BOTTOM ROW: Mike Ramsey, Ken Harrington, David Dyer, John Drahos.

Not Shown: Tavia Helton.





Some of the children in the Homer School who have one or both parents who formerly attended school in Homer are, left to right: Andy and Kenny Deitz, Ricky and Rhonda Shelford, Chris Wythe, Sandy and Donna Scroggs, Judy and Linda Rogers.

A few others who should be included in the group were inadvertently omitted from the picture.



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