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The Year of the Blue Devil:

Details: what do the SCA officers have planned for 1986-87?

Details: what will the Senior Class officers do as their high school careers draw to a close?

Details: what's happening in class besides studying?

Details: what are the extra needs of students, and who helps with them?
Hard to believe but true: Mathew’s 400 students are squeezed onto just a few sections of bleachers in the gym. Do you remember where you’re standing?
Every Detail . . .

. . . of Our Days!

The school year — 180 days of attendance — what do we do with so much time? We see our friends (but also our enemies); we learn (but also waste as many minutes per period as we're allowed); we relax (but also work when we have to).

Details . . . of our every day routines . . . are the stuff memories are made of. This is the Year of the Blue Devil!

To open an assembly, Stuart Bunting and Abbie Gobble (president and vice-president of SCA) lead the students in The Pledge of Allegiance and devotions.

A little chatter, a little homework — get Vicky Brown, Lesley Atkinson and Tania Warwick through class.

Homeroom is such a drag for Dawn Reese, Michelle Rowe, and Sara Rowe.
Juniors have so much to do — Jennifer McDaniel grabs any free spot for some ‘catching up.’

As soon as Margaret Ramsey remembers what she came for, she can get back to class!

Things aren’t that bad, are they, Gene Foster?

Seniors Greg Diggs and Scott Lemasters have figured out how to work and relax at the same time.
Every Detail . . . Working Together!

Everyone has to go to school — but everyone also knows the best part of being in school is participating: in sports, in clubs, and in other group activities. Playing in the band, attending club conventions, winning (or losing) a close game — will be memories — of giving a team effort — during this, The Year of the Blue Devil!

The Save-Your-Sweetheart campaign, sponsored by the SCA, asked students to pledge not to start smoking. Lori Ward signs up Bryan Taylor and Duane Jackson.

All work and no play make Jack (or Kevin Hudgins) a dull boy. Or is it PeeWee Herman? Beta Club Initiation Day lets some of the students poke fun at each other.

Mathews’ Varsity Football stayed in the State Tournament through the semi-final game, which automatically extended the Marching Band’s season.
The Varsity Basketball players and the Cheerleaders work together before the game to fire up the crowd.

Mrs. Mildred Hudgins comes to the school to enroll interested students in the 4H Club. Justine Tyler, Cathy Downs, and Claudia Duke check it out.

Every extra-curricular event needs helpers. Michael Moreland and Penny Nelson keep time and the clock during Boys’ Basketball season.

The Building Trades class is putting up the State Track Championship sign on Route 14.

Each Class has special projects during the year. Sarah Gobble and the Freshman Representatives plan their Homecoming Float.

Pre-game team introductions ensure high spirits for a great football game.
Every Detail . . .
. . . Of US!

Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors — four hundred students in all — with a variety of interests, talents, and back-grounds: the staff and the student body pull together so that everyone can have a year worth remembering.

In The Year of the Blue Devil '86-'87, we excelled academically and athletically. Here are the Details!

Chris McGhee and Lisa Magee meet during lunch block.

This space reserved for Jimmy Hunley is a perfect fit.

Duane Forrest and Mark Gwynn show their support of the Girls' Basketball Team.

Even after the Pep assembly, Cheerleader Susan Robins is full of spirit!

Lunch time = BREAK for Cathy Powell and Grace Metzger.
Robbie West and the Blue Devil are just waitin' around.

Some guys just can't see a camera without hamming it up.

Beth Anderson and Maria Rider are dreaming about Graduation!

A knee injury sidelined BK Boatsman for the post season, but his heart is on the field.
The Marching Band lines up with the Varsity Football Team to get the Play-Off game with Northumberland off to a rousing start!

The results are obvious as the final gun goes off! Victory over Northumberland 13-6!
The second period is about to start for Chucky Walker and his Arcadia opponent in the Regional Wrestling Tournament.

Shades of the NY Giants! Wrestling team members celebrate their Regional victory with a good laugh and a good soaking for Coach Griff!

The Year of the Blue Devil: just in case you forget why . . .
Best Season Yet!

A 7-2-1 record is a winning season to any football fan, but the Blue Devil gridders did not stop there. Qualifying for the Region A Division 2 Play-Offs, Coach A. DeWitt’s team upheld the tradition of never giving up.

Even though our first opponent in the Play-Offs, King William High School, had won decisively, 20-41, during the regular season, our Varsity players went into the Saturday afternoon game with a positive attitude and a winning game plan. Their goal of Regional Champ had been set, and the Blue Devils dominated the Cavaliers, 27-18.

On the next Saturday, the Mathews Varsity again faced a regular season opponent, Northumberland, who had fought to a 0-0 tie. Again, the Blue Devil determination showed itself, as a diversified offense and a strong defense came out on top 13-6 for the Regional Championship.

In the Semi-Final game of the Play-Offs, as Mathews hosted Manassas Park High School, regulation time ended with a 0-0 stalemate. During the first overtime, both schools kicked a field goal. Not until the last play of the second overtime did Manassas Park score. In an attempt to kick a 23 yard field goal, the snap from center was bobbled by the holder, who eluded a tremendous rush to throw a desperation pass into the end zone — which was caught for the win.

The Mathews Blue Devil Varsity completed a 9-3-1 season with a flair.

The Junior Varsity team also upheld the winning tradition by outscoring their opponents in 7 out of 8 games, under the direction of Coach Griff. The highlight and finale of the season was the 21-14 victory over long-time rival Gloucester.

The Year of the Blue Devil had begun!
Anthony Mason picks his way through the Rappahannock defense.

A defensive tackle by Scott Lemasters stops the Rappahannock charge.

Ready... Set... GO!

Carlos Kelly picks up a block by Damien Klink on his way to a Junior Varsity touchdown.

**JV FOOTBALL**

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Regional Champs!

The Girls' Varsity Basketball Team, in the best girls' season in MHS history, began the long stretch of games by winning the Tip-Off Tournament in New Kent.

Looking for an open teammate, Jill Hammond prepares to pass the ball.

Scrappy Bev Sadler vies for control of the ball against the Red Devils of Lancaster.

Skying high with intense concentration, Christy Hudgins puts in two for the Lady Devils.

Susan Vogel attempts a two-pointer as Bev Sadler boxes out the opponents.

As the season progressed, the girls, encouraged by Coach J. Brown, set their sights for the top — and won the District and Regional Championships, as they advanced to the State Tournament.

The Junior Varsity Team had a learning season, as Coach J. Deputy put the girls through their paces.
Good wrist action by J.V. player Hollie Diggs projects the ball toward the basket.

A double pick sets up a driving layup for Denise Brooks.


GV GIRLS' BASKETBALL
54 West Point 22
37 New Kent 30
41 Gloucester 60
44 Gloucester 56
57 New Kent 41
56 Washington & Lee 34
55 Northumberland 36
68 King William 41
82 Lancaster 43
74 Middlesex 39
65 Rappahannock 67
76 Essex 46
60 Washington & Lee 54
58 New Kent 64
76 King William 44
68 Northumberland 32
70 Middlesex 44
74 Lancaster 58
76 Essex 40
84 Rappahannock 46
80 Lancaster 36
35 Middlesex 17
59 Washington & Lee 40
71 Rappahannock 55
76 Arcadia 35
38 Washington & Lee 35
53 Clarke County 67

JV GIRLS' BASKETBALL
17 Gloucester 26
26 Gloucester 21
23 New Kent 39
28 Washington & Lee 23
13 Northumberland 47
23 King William 16
17 Lancaster 30
16 Middlesex 23
21 Rappahannock 38
28 Essex 31
28 Washington & Lee 32
24 New Kent 19
25 King William 29
16 Northumberland 28
18 Middlesex 32
16 Lancaster 45
27 Essex 23
29 Rappahannock 30

Amy Mitchem looks on as Mary Van Landingham fights for a Junior Varsity rebound.
Gaining Speed!

State qualifiers capped successful seasons for Coaches N. Richardson (Cross Country) and S. Griffith (Golf).

In their fifth year, the dedicated Cross Country teams have steadily improved. Team members faithfully run each evening, preparing for the rugged Meet courses. The Blue Devils qualified 2 girls and 7 boys for the State Tournament.

The Golf team, in its rookie year, qualified two for State.

Setting his club in his backswing, Richard Hanna attempts a wood shot from the fairway.

Jon Tiller concentrates on the ball as he prepares to tee off during the State Tournament.

GOLF: Richard Hanna, Scott Lemasters, Jon Tiller, John Whalen.

Maneuvering through a crowd of runners, Colin Hennessee tries to improve his position.

With a burst of energy, Senior Greg Diggs overtakes an opponent.

Blue Devils qualified 2 girls and 7 boys for the State Tournament.
Amy Magee lends moral support as Andy Spaulding nears the finish line.

Running solo, David James digs out the last few yards of the course.

CROSS COUNTRY
31 King William 27
16 Washington & Lee 48
King William 19; Mathews 62; Washington & Lee 69;
Northumberland 87.
King William 20; Mathews 64; Washington & Lee 76;
Northumberland 77.

Hair flying in the wind, Harris Bridgforth shows winning form.


Blue Devil Details:

1986 POST SEASON HONORS:

Football
All District 1st Team: D. Lewis, D. Hudgins, A. Mason, E. Diggs, V. Mason
All District 2nd Team: B. Willis, A. Chambers, D. Hudgins, A. Mason
All District Special Team: B. Crosby

Girls' Basketball
All District Team: D. Brooks, B. Sadler, S. Vogel
All Regional Team: D. Brooks, S. Vogel
Regional Tournament MVP: S. Vogel
All State First Team: D. Brooks

Cross Country
Top 10 District Finishers: H. Bridgforth, G. Diggs, A. Spaulding, M. Russell
Top 10 Regional Finishers: H. Bridgforth, A. Spaulding, M. Russell

Golf
State Qualifiers: J. Tiller, R. Hanna

At the conclusion of each football season, the "Lewis Family Extra-Effort Award" honors a senior athlete who shows outstanding spirit, attitudes, and participation. Anthony Mason is the 1986 award winner.

In four years of high school basketball, Denise Brooks accumulated 1674 points.

Vinson Mason set a State Group A Play-Off record with a field goal kick of 42 yards, against eventual victor Manassas Park.
High Spirited!

20 football games, 45 girls' basketball games, 39 boys' basketball games! In order to field enthusiastic cheerleaders for all of the contests, sponsor Mrs. L. Robinson and a panel of teachers choose three separate squads, so that each girl can have time for herself, as well as give the athletic teams lots of encouragement at Home and Away games.

Selected twice a year, all prospective team members practice for a week before try-outs. One girl who works well with the girls and who has leadership qualities is chosen as Captain — and away they go!

The Cheerleaders and the Band lead the crowd in the school song during the Regional Play-Off game with Northumberland.


Sponsor Mrs. Robinson presents awards to the winter sports Cheerleaders at the Banquet.

The football team prepares to break through the sign made by the Cheerleaders. Watch out, Northumberland!
Sarah Gobble can see the boys' game much better this way, thanks to Leandra Stone and Karen Morris.

**GIRLS' BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS:** (BOTTOM ROW) Marnie Lee, Leandra Stone (SECOND ROW) Kris Holler, Irene Jackson, Cathy Dutton (TOP) Channell Davis, Michelle Rowe.

Another touchdown against King William — and the Cheerleaders are excited!

**BOYS' BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS:** (BOTTOM ROW) Sarah Gobble, Leandra Stone, Sherri Alford, Dawn Gwynn, Stephanie Hanna (TOP ROW) Alison Sadler, Susan Robins, Karen Morris.

The Seniors are sure winners of the Pep Assembly, and the Girls' Basketball Cheerleaders help them 'catch the spirit.'
Working to Win!

The third quarter of almost every Varsity Basketball game was the difference between a 6-15 actual record and a 15-6 winning season. Coach R. Trainum’s team showed great overall improvement in hustle, defense, and style of play.

Onlooker Duane Jackson watches Buzz Crosby sink two for the Blue Devils.

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Intense defense by Leroy “Spud” Brown keeps Mathews in the ball game.

Skyhooking Duane Jackson lays in two points.
Soaring over his W & L opponent, Buzz Crosby gently puts the ball in the hoop.

**VARSITY BASKETBALL:** (BOTTOM ROW) Leroy Brown, Archie Carter (TOP ROW) Ron Trainum (Coach), Mark Gwynn, Wayne Jackson, Bubee Willis, Buzz Crosby, Ray Willis, Duane Jackson, Jason Smith, Aaron Johnson.

**JV BASKETBALL:** (BOTTOM ROW) William Small, Raymond Ewell, Carlos Kelly, Derek Marcelus, Greg Robins, Curtis Williamson (TOP ROW) Van Johnson (Coach), Bobby Buford, Vincent Slaughter, Duane Forrest, Craig Pearce, Richard Downs.

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Junior Varsity player Craig Pearce applies pressure on his opponent.

Raymond Ewell hangs back as Duane Forrest serves the ball up for two JV points.
Top 10 Again!

What an end to a season! Four years ago, in the wrestling team’s first year, freshman Bryan Taylor qualified for the State Tournament and scored our first State team points.

In February 1987, as a result of dedication and hard work, Coach Griff’s grapplers won the Group A Region C Championship and sent 10 team members to State in Natural Bridge. Senior Bryan Taylor became the first Individual Mathews State Champion, at 185 pounds.

There’s no stopping the wrestlers now!
En route to an escape, Tony Keatts switches his opponent.

Bryan Taylor accepts his gold medal, after winning the first individual State Wrestling Championship (185 pound weight class) for Mathews High.

In the state Championship Finals, Bryan Taylor uses an ankle ride to prevent his Chilhowie opponent from escaping.

Timmy Deagle sets up for a take-down at the State Tournament.

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District Champions
Regional Champions
Fifth in State

Bryan Taylor accepts his gold medal, after winning the first individual State Wrestling Championship (185 pound weight class) for Mathews High.

Anthony Mason rides with a wrist and a half-nelson.
Over the Net!

The two year old Volleyball Team, coached by Ms. J. Webb, has come a long way. Team members have progressed from being rank beginners to being a team that finished the '87 season with a third in District and a spot in the Regional Tournament.

The Tennis Teams also had a productive season, guided by Coaches B. Gobble and S. Griffith. Traveling as far as Surry County to the south and Essex to the north, the Girls' and Boys' Teams gained lots of experience and skills during the season, and are looking forward to a successful '88 season.


In the game against rival Middlesex, Shannon Dyer bumps the ball to setter Abbie Gobble.

The ball soars high in the air after a good bump by Elizabeth Davis.

In District and a spot in the Regional Tournament.

Serving the ball to the opposing team is Jennifer McDaniel.
Blue Devil Details:

1987 POST SEASON HONORS:

Boys' Basketball

All-District: A. Carter
Second Team All-Region: A. Carter

Wrestling
Regional Medalists/State Qualifiers: R. Hanna (98 lbs), D. James (105 lbs), G. Diggs (112 lbs), S. Lemasters (119 lbs), T. Deagle (126 lbs), A. Spaulding (138 lbs), A. Mason (155 lbs), C. Walker (167 lbs), B.K. Boatman (176 lbs), B. Taylor (185 lbs), J. Dixon (Hwt)

Individual State Champion (185 lbs): B. Taylor

Volleyball
All-District: S. Dyer, J. McDaniel
All-Tournament (District): S. Dyer

Ange Tatterson serves the ball; doubles partner Eriko Toeda waits for the return.

Doubles partners Lori Crist and Abbie Gobble warm up for a match.

Aaron Johnson sets up to ace his opponent.

Senior Michael Mitchem zips a serve over the net.
Coach V. Camechis and the Varsity Baseball Team completed another winning season. With a well-rounded team effort, the Blue Devils won the District Championship, ending the season 17-5. The JV’s and Coach A. DeWitt also used teamwork to rack up a 10-1-1 record.

The MHS Crew Teams, coached by Mr. T. Ulisaker, placed fifth against the northern Virginia Crew Teams on the Occoquan Reservoir in two meets.

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Jimmy Johnson takes his cut at the ball and laces a single to left.

Hurler Eddie Diggs fires the ball in for a strike.

**JV BASEBALL:** (KNEELING) Michael Munn, Bruce Love, David James, William Small, Brian Moore, Greg Robins, Tracy Smith, Chris Pritchett (STANDING) David Hudgins, Charlie Crittenden, Wayne Daniels, Craig Pearce, Robert Sadler, Kevin Godsey, Raymond Ewell, Albert DeWitt (Coach)

**VARSITY BASEBALL:** (SEATED) Eddie Diggs, Michael Miller, Kevin Hudgins, Jimmy Johnson, David Rowe (KNEELING) Ronnie Lewis, Charles Allen Buchanan, Chris Gentry, Donnie Lewis, Michael Moreland (manager) (STANDING) John Raymond Bassett, Andy Hudgins, Daryle Adams, Buzz Crosby, Jay Dowdy, Greg Sadler, James Todd.
The Essex catcher waits in vain for the ball, as Jay Dowdy barrels toward homeplate.

David Hudgins hurries to retrieve the ball and tag the runner.

4-MAN CREW: Derek Marcellus, Darcy Megonigal (STANDING) Sean Tullos, Jason Cann, Chris Harris (Co-coxswain), John Whalen.


The East River serves as practice field for the hard-working crew teams.
GIRLS' TRACK
66 Rappahannock 60
79.5 Gloucester 23.5
79 West Point 56
92 Washington & Lee 35
81 Middlesex 45
90 King William 37
83.5 Essex 44.5

Throwing a discus harder than it looks. Kim Ashberry gives it a mighty heave.

Shannon Dyer qualifies for the State Meet with her throw of 92 feet.

They're off — and the Mathews girls stretch for the lead.

Spring Success!

The Girls' Softball Team, coached by Mrs. J. Deputy, had a good '87 season. Because of solid team performance on offense and defense, team members came within two games of making the Playoffs.

Winning the Regional Tournament was a high point of Coach J.E. Brown's Girls' Track Team season. However, team members also celebrated decisive victories in the Norlan Relays and in the District Meet.

Bev Sadler connects with this pitch for a single!

Christy Hudgins sends the ball across the plate; Melanie Sterling is ready at third.

With her eye on the ball, Jennifer McDaniel swings for the fence.

As Melanie Sterling catches the ball to force the runner out, Christy Hudgins and Sandra Phillips move in to back her up.

The Boys' Track Team, under the direction of Coach D. Anthony, worked hard and gave a great team effort this season. Team members matched two school records (in the High Jump and the 400), and set two new school records (in the 400 yard Relay and the 800). They also wound up in Third Place at the Norlan Shrine Relays, and placed 8th in the Regional.

Shot-putter Junny Dixon puts everything into it, as his Essex opponents and Vinson Mason await their turn.

Eyes on the finish line, Richard Hanna digs it out.

Leroy Brown kicks it in to edge out his Essex opponent.

Jon Tiller and Harris Bridgforth flank their opponent waiting for the starter's gun.

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1987 POST SEASON HONORS:

*Baseball*

First Team All-District: C.A. Buchanan, J. Johnson, D. Adams
Second Team All-District: J. Todd

*Track*

School Record Tie: High Jump (6'1") M. Gwynn
School Record Tie: 400 (52.0 sec.) D. Jackson
New School Record: 400 Relay (45.04 sec.) L. Brown, A. Mason, M. Gwynn, D. Forrest
New School Record: 800 (2:00.07 min.) D. Jackson

State Meet Qualifiers (Boys): H. Bridgforth, M. Gwynn, V. Mason, D. Jackson

Middlesex doesn't stand a chance as Mark Gwynn finishes with an easy victory.

Uncovering Every Detail:

The dubious honor of being first and last alphabetically at MHS goes to Freshman Chris Wrike and Senior Amy Abrahamson.

From Abrahamson . . .

. . . To Wrike!

For Juniors Greg Sadler and Vinson Mason, it's work, work, work — a never-ending battle with the books!

This is the best of thirteen years for Seniors Douglas Hudgins, Heather Mappus, Amy Clements, and Jeff Hurst. Why? Because it's the last!

These Freshmen have made it through one year — it wasn't that bad, was it, guys?

What a line-up! Sophomores Becky Trumpy, Theresa Phillips, Laurie Richardson and Angela Thomas catch a few rays at lunch time.
Everybody mixes when the sun shines in the spring.

There’s not a lot of space in Room 122B — but just enough for the Juniors and Seniors of Spanish III.

Freshmen and Sophomores work together in class sometimes!

The Senior privilege of leaving class a minute before the bell gives them an edge over the other classes in the lunch line.
Lionel Richie’s appearance in Hampton Roads is just a memory for Denise Wells and Amy Magee.

Country and Hank Williams are always popular in Mathews, and Jimmy Hunley wears his Bocephus t-shirt proudly.
Up Close: Star-Struck!

Mathews may not be Hollywood or Nashville, but we do see and hear our share of concerts, as a sampling of souvenir tees prove.

Lesley Atkinson and Jennifer Shroeder show that they're fans of Huey Lewis and the News, who came to Hampton this year.

Harris Bridgforth may be taking it easy now, but he had to move fast to get tickets for Phil Collins and Genesis at the Hampton Coliseum.
Weekend adventures that students can count on every year are the ski trips to Massanutten and Wintergreen, sponsored by the church youth groups. Shannon Dyer and Abbie Gobble are ready to hit these Massanutten slopes.

Standing in line in Hampton at 5AM was worth it to the many Mathews students who were able to see Phil Collins.
Up Close: On the Road!

Our students don't think twice with school/church sponsored groups or on their own before heading out of the county—groups or on their own!

Williamsburg was the site of the State Beta Convention in March. These 'finicky' delegates are campaigning for Karen Morris, who ran for a State office.

A three day/two night trip to Washington D.C. was successful for our Marching Band. They won "Best Visiting Band Trophy" at the St. Patrick's Day Parade.
Up Close: Athletes!

The reputation of a school more often than not comes from its athletes, who travel so much. This has been a year to be proud of.

The Girls’ Basketball team upheld its winning tradition, by gaining the Regional Championship.

In its second year as a Varsity sport, Volleyball is becoming a sport to watch.
The Varsity wrestlers, in their fourth year, are already a power to reckon with. Andy Spaulding works on an opponent at the State Meet in Natural Bridge.

The Varsity Football team's awesome defense sets to roll over Lancaster.
Scott Brian Lemasters
Robert Gerald Lewis
Brenda Sheryl Lewis

Walter Jay Metzger
James Michael Mitchem

Vicki Shipley, Sheryl Lewis, and Lori Ward check the tuxedo colors before the ordering starts.

Artists Grace Metzger and Rebecca Hunley display the 'window' they added to Room 122A. If they could just figure out how to open it in hot weather...
Up Close: Here & There!

Here & there, around & about. We forget the small things happening all the time. When, why, who? How did it turn out?

The cafeteria is a brighter room, thanks to some unknown artists from the past. Have you ever noticed the rainbow?

These die-hard fans show up almost anywhere for almost anything.
Renee Elizabeth Ruff
Melanie Jane Russell
Beverly Mae Sadler

Phillip Laurence Sanderson
Vicki Leigh Shipley
Jason Delano Smith

Tyrone Welford Smith
Wendy Lynn Sorey
Kelley Denise Sutton

Up Close: Crazy Feet!

Just what are our feet wearing this year? Reeboks, pointed toes, loafers? Look around and check it out. Anything goes in 1987.

Any color, any style: with socks or without (and sometimes with tape!). Individuality is
the rule.

Girls’ styles follow the same law: there is no one ‘look.’
One shoe is a sure-bet: this is definitely the year of the REEBOK.

Rounded toes, leather toes, bare toes? Some shoe styles will last — which ones won't?
Up Close: Up to Date!

What more obvious 'sign of the times' can there be than clothing styles? In '87, there isn’t just one 'look' — clothes can be as wild or as sedate as anyone chooses. You can change your mood as easily as your clothes this year!

These shy Seniors model some of the 'Looks for 1987': jeans (and jeans jackets), minis, bright colors and baggy sweaters.


Short slacks, longer skirts: Michelle Payne, Eriko Toeda and Ginger Inabinet show their preferences.

Turned up collars, jewelry as accents: Phyllis DeMarco, Jeni Washeleski, and Stephanie Hanna stay in touch with current trends.

Archie Carter, Richard Hanna, Matt Bagley and Leroy Brown each have developed their own style.
The right make-up is essential, especially with dress clothes. Sara Hudgins, Lori Ward, Vicki Shipley and Amy Clements help each other with the finishing touches.

Jackets and sweaters are always in style — whether it’s baggy (Tambi Gustafson), tailored (Michelle Payne), or just in-between (Sarah Gobble).

Game day dictates the shirt for football players Duane Jackson and Archie Carter, but they each maintain their individuality with the “extras.” Denise Brooks makes sure that her outfit includes gold chain necklaces and earrings.

Ocean Pacific is a favorite of many students, including Vernon Rowe.

From Max Headroom to teddy bears — Kim Williams, Beth Kilmon, Amy Magee, Theresa Hudgins and John Whalen love those t-shirts.
Up Close: With Some Colorful Characters!

Tired of the same old dull routine? Once in awhile we throw reality out the window — and Get Silly! We laugh at and with each other. Who comes up with the best ideas and costumes? That's too close for us to call! You take your own pick!

Celebrity Marilyn Monroe (aka Michael Richardson) is having trouble with an "admirer."

"Here Comes Peter (Jeni Washeleski) Cottontail" and her assistant Stephanie Hanna.

Shane Maston expresses his opinion of Blue Devil football.

These strange characters must be Beta Club initiates!
More than a few heads turned when the Incredible Hulk Damien Klink showed up for lunch.

Santa Ginger Inabinet is checking to see who is naughty... or nice.

We "Heard It On the Grapevine" that this Raisin is Alison Sadler.

Feeling blue? Betty Riedel, James Todd, and Maria Rider are really in a 'spirited' mood!
Lori Crist, Kelley Kierstead, and Kim Whitt discuss the day, using Betty Riedel's Mustang for a bench.

Taking a few minutes after school, before practice starts, are Leroy Brown and Vinson Mason, in front of Leroy's Oldsmobile.

The biggest problem with owning a Triumph is getting in or out — just ask Matt Bagley.

Chauffeur Charles Allen Buchanan is rolling in his Ford.

A Ford pick-up and spring weather are a perfect combination for Jay Dameron and Michael Stewart.

Chris Gentry's orange Mustang is easy to spot.
Up Close: Gettin’ There!

How do we all get to and from school? Bicycles, motorbikes, cars, buses? If you own a car, does it establish your identity? Are you sporty — or do you like pick-ups? Is your car new — a classic — or does it just get you around in one piece?

The only jeep in the parking lot belongs to William Deagle. Bashful Robert Lewis is catching a ride home.

Sherri Alford and Donnie Lewis grab some time before the baseball game starts, in Sherri’s Nissan.

We all know whose car barely makes it to and from school each day!

120 students get to school every day the conventional way — the time-honored yellow school bus!
Mobjack Nursery employs a number of MHS students, including T.J. Hunley, Matt Bagley, Chris Moore, and Phillip Smith.

David Nelson, Robert Minor, and Sydney Foster can almost always be found stocking the shelves at Super Fresh.

There’s more to working at the Nursery than pulling weeds!
Up Close: On the Job!

Going to school can be a full-time job; many students choose to get a second job — that pays! Jobs in and around Mathews are sometimes hard to find, but students work on the water, at the grocery stores, or for private businesses or citizens. And don't forget the fastfood chains and discount stores on Route 17!

Best Value employees/MHS seniors Bryan Taylor and Lynn Pugh are waiting to wait on customers.

A break in the line gives Best Value checker Kelley Sutton time to catch her breath.
Queen Amy Clements and escort Richard Moughon enjoy the dance after the Homecoming football victory!

Getting ready, JUST IN CASE . . .

But dances aren’t only for dancing — ask Robbie West or his ‘victim.’
Up Close: To the Beat!

What's the best part of football or basketball season? According to some 'experts' it's the dances after home games!

Is this a debate or a dance? Jason Smith, Christie Forrest, and Erica Mathews are working out an answer.

We're movin' to the music!
Class of '89!

Lesley Atkinson
Vicky Bodurtha
Ann Marie Burroughs
Maria Brady
Robert E. Brown
Vicky Brown

Robert Brumfield
Kim Carney
Michael Carter
Christy Coates
Jenny Collins
Lang Craighill

Charlie Crittenden
Wayne Daniel
Kim Davidson
Chanell Davis
Mary Davis
Hollie Diggs

Up Close: Up the Road!

"Let's go up the road!" How many times have you heard or said that? Where is it, really? To Payne’s — to Emory’s — to a 'secret' spot down a deserted lane or beach — or is "Up the Road" just going cruising, to see who and what's going on? Where's your favorite spot?

Bowling a few games is just what some MHS students need to relax.

Hungry? Jill Hammond is thinking “burger and fries” from Payne's.
Popcorn and a movie are a great way to spend an evening.

The school parking lot after hours becomes a meeting place on warm spring nights.
Up Close: How Much?

Life can be as cheap or as expensive as you want it to be — but everyone has to agree that it sure is easier to spend a lot these days! When a movie at Hilltop is $4/person — plus popcorn ($1 each) and Coke ($1.50 each) — and then maybe a burger ($1.50 each) later ... 

And that's not counting what it costs for clothes today. Just so you will remember the Cost of Living in 1987 ... 

CARS:
'87 Sports Car: $16,000
'87 Pick-Up: $6000 — $12,000
'87 low price model: $5995
Used Cars: from $500 — $2000 +
Car Insurance: $1000

Gas: Unleaded: 97¢/gallon
   Leaded 94¢/gallon

CLOTHING:
Reeboks (shoes): $40-$60
Esprit (jeans): $50
Firenza (sweaters): $45

FOOD:
Dinner for TWO at a 'fancy' restaurant: $40+ plus tip
Gum: 35¢
Chocolate Candy Bar: 60¢
12 oz. Bag of Chips: 99¢
6-pack of soda: $1.99
Cheeseburger/everything: $1.95
Large Pizza with everything but anchovies: $11.25
Submarine Sandwich (Large): $4.00
Stephen Shore
Vincent Slaughter
William Small
Michael Smith
Tabatha Smith
Tracy Spaulding

Mindy Spruill
Melanie Sterling
Leandra Stone
Jaye Sutton
William Sutton
Ange Tatterson

Angela Thomas
George Tillage
James Todd
Becky Trumpy
Sean Tullis
Mary VanLandingham

Angie Ward
Tania Warwick
John Whalen
Shannon Wheeler
Angie White
Artie White

Dara Wilfong
Kimberly Williams
Bubee Willis
Elizabeth Wolen

What’s a movie without popcorn — or Coke
— or chocolate?

We could wait until this movie comes out on video . . .
To pass Driver's Education is a major goal — and cause for celebration — for all MHS students.

Sidewalks in '86-'87 seem to have sprouted skateboarders and roller skaters!
Up Close: For Fun!

What is there to do 'afterhours' in Mathews County? That CAN be a problem. There are summer softball leagues, or you can sit in Payne's parking lot and catch up on the news. How about parties? Or an evening at the movies? You could always rent a movie for your VCR, or venture into Newport News. What's your choice?

Video games allow Andy Hudgins to concentrate on flashing lights, instead of the everyday "circus" of life.

Baseball and softball leagues are a popular summer pastime. Sandra Phillips pitches during a Senior League game.
Who and what are the favorites for 1986-87? In a very unscientific survey taken in the English classes, the student body of MHS has spoken. The envelope, please!

(The top choices in every category are in alphabetical order.)

FAVORITE MALE SINGER:
Phil Collins, Lionel Richie, Hank Williams

FAVORITE FEMALE SINGER:
Whitney Houston, Janet Jackson, Madonna

FAVORITE SONG:
Brass Monkey (Beastie Boys), Control (Janet Jackson), Lean On Me (Club Nouveau)

FAVORITE ROCK GROUP:
Bon Jovi, Genesis

FAVORITE COUNTRY GROUP:
Alabama, The Judds

FAVORITE RAP GROUP:
Beastie Boys, Luke Skywalker, Run DMC

FAVORITE SOUL GROUP:
Jets, Kool and the Gang, New Edition

FAVORITE TV SHOW:
Alf, The Cosby Show, Moonlighting

FAVORITE MOVIE:
About Last Night, Platoon, Top Gun

FAVORITE MALE TV STAR:
Bill Cosby, Michael J. Fox, Bruce Willis

FAVORITE FEMALE TV STAR:
Shelly Long, Cybill Shepherd, Vanna White

FAVORITE MALE MOVIE STAR:
Tom Cruise, Michael J. Fox, Rob Lowe, Eddie Murphy
FAVORITE FEMALE MOVIE STAR:
Loni Anderson, Bette Midler, Demi Moore, Mollie Ringwald

FAVORITE FOOD:
Pizza (by a landslide!), shrimp

FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR:
Butter pecan, chocolate, chocolate chip, vanilla

FAVORITE CARTOON CHARACTER:
Bugs Bunny, Garfield, Opus, Smurfs

FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT:
Lunch (by another landslide — almost unanimous!), Gym

FAVORITE HANG-OUT:
Payne’s, Anywhere Out of Mathews

FAVORITE SAYING:
(Almost as many sayings as there were questionnaires!) Hard core! What’s up? You know it! You’re a card! Yo-yo!

FAVORITE SNACK:
Candy bars, cookies, potato chips

FAVORITE SPORT:
Baseball, basketball, football

FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM:
(Who else?) Dallas Cowboys, Washington Redskins

FAVORITE BRAND NAME:
Esprit, Lee, Levi

FAVORITE COLOR:
Blue, pink, red

FAVORITE CAR:
Corvette, Lamborghini, Mustang, Porsche

Alf, the furry creature from the planet Melmac, who likes to eat cats and who has one of the most popular TV shows, also has his own line of t-shirts. He’s obviously a ‘favorite’ of Renee Ruff.

Robert White
Scott Wood
Roman Woodhouse
Chris Wrike

Kathryn Pulley
Gerry Putt
Brandee Quesenberry
Whitney Racey
Teresa Riley
Greg Robins

Shelby Rowe
Vernon Rowe
Tracie Sadler
Craig Small
Kyle Steider
John Stickrath

Tanya Talaber
Kim VanFleet
Shelly Ward
Denise Wells
Linda White
Lisa White

FRESHMEN 61
Uncovering Every From Algebra...

Algebra I demands concentration — and Brandee Quesenberry is doing her best to conquer her assignment.

Drafting teaches how to look at an object from all angles — Daryle Adams is putting his interpretation on paper.
Mr. Bohn makes a point in his English 9 class.

Juniors study American History with Mr. Anthony.

Through Wood Technology!

Wood Technology is one of many vocational courses offered at MHS.
School business at the Central Office is handled by Ms. Paula Marques, Mrs. Erma Webb, and Mrs. Carolyn Smith.

Dr. Mary Hellieson, Director of Instruction, is coordinating all classes taught in the three schools — as well as helping staff and students with miscellaneous problems.

The Mathews County School Board has the final say on almost anything affecting the schools. (Mr. Hal Bourque, Mrs. Dorothy Foster, Mr. Richard Hammond, Mr. Frank Herrin, Mrs. Wilnet Willis, Chairperson)

Showing Us How!

This was a year of changes. We returned to school to find that our principal of 13 years, Mr. Harry Ward, had accepted the position of Superintendent. Dr. Mary Hellieson had been named Director of Instruction, and Assistant Principal, Mr. John Lanford, was now our new Principal. Mrs. Ruth Ann Burroughs re-joined the high school office staff to work with Mrs. Betty Davis.

However, everyone made a smooth transition and coped easily with the changes. And, most things stayed the same. Mrs. Marcia Fry still counsels students; Mrs. Frances Curtis is our Librarian.

Former MHS principal Mr. Harry M. Ward has completed his first year as Superintendent of the Mathews Schools. (But he’s still our Mr. Ward!)
Mr. John Lanford, in his first year as MHS Principal, hasn't had any trouble keeping busy this year! Without an assistant, he's done double-duty!

Student office assistant Lori Crist checks with Mrs. Ruth Ann Burroughs for jobs that need doing. Mrs. Burroughs, back in the high school office after a 2 year absence, is our Bookkeeper.

Mrs. Betty Davis, MHS Secretary, handles all problems that come through the office doors (or on the phones). She's taking good care of student Linda White.

Keeping track of all library materials, including the thankless job of supplying the teachers with VCR's, projectors, and tape players (in working order of course) falls to Mrs. Frances Curtis, Librarian, helped here by library assistant Justine Tyler.

Besides organizing the class schedules and making sure the Seniors have choices before and after graduation, Mrs. Marcia Fry's Guidance Department is always open for questions from students like Harris Bridgforth.
What Will YOU Study?

The first choice every MHS student makes is his Course of Study: College Prep (and a 22 credit Advanced Diploma) — a General Diploma (20 credits) — or a Vocational Diploma (also 20 credits). Everyone’s long term goal: a successful 4 years and Graduation!

A desk is just not enough space for Kim Haynes. Thank goodness for clipboards!

Mr. Brown and his students work through some problem solving techniques.


Amy Clements is obviously in deep thought in Mrs. McDaniel's Senior English.

Mrs. McDaniel's Seniors are put through their paces before graduation.

French III class anticipates the bell. They've been overworked again!


Mr. Jeff Bohn: Reading 9, English 9, Drama Club Sponsor.

Mr. John E. Brown: Consumer Math, Calculus, Trigonometry, Girls' Varsity Basketball, Girls' Track.

Mrs. Ruth Ann Burroughs: School Bookkeeper.
What Interests YOU?

Academics — the classes everyone is required to take to get through high school. But you do have some options . . .

Did the Revolution come before or after the War of 1812? Mr. Anthony's US History class would all know that answer!

Are you a true mathematician? Work your way through the Algebras and Geometry to Trig and AP Calculus (on TV from Varina High).

How about the Sciences? Biology II, Chemistry, Physics? And the Social Studies — Geography, the Histories? It's up to you . . .

Junior English means Mrs. Ogren and Thinking for these students.

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Mr. Vic Camechis: Physical Education 9 & 10, Varsity Baseball.

Mrs. Betty Davis: School Secretary.

Mrs. Frances Curtis: Librarian.

Chemistry is so hard, but with Mr. Griff’s help, we might get through it.

Mr. Spears helps the Freshmen understand the whys and wherefores of Earth Science.

Watching TV for class is a lot harder than it seems, but at least the teacher is only a phone call away!


Mrs. Sally Foster: Physics, Algebra I Part I, A.P. Calculus.

Ms. Janice Dicus: Art I, II, III.

Mrs. Marcia Fry: Guidance, National Honor Society Sponsor.
Electives: Your Choice!

And to 'round out' your education — there are Electives...
You can be a Home Economist — look into the intricacies of Sociology/
Economics — study French. Stretch your talents in Art, or your muscles in Advanced PE. Learn and enjoy. These can be fun!

Students are always surprised to learn that Home Ec class is more than just cooking and sewing.

If working with your hands, brick, and mortar interest you, then we have just the right class for you!

Ms. Fran Goude: Special Education.


Mr. Steve Griffith: Biology II, Chemistry, JV Football, Varsity Wrestling, Boys' Tennis.

Mr. Van Johnston: Building Trades I, II, III, Boys' JV Basketball.
That basketball just won't hold still for these PE students!

Practice on the stage gives Speech Class students more of a feeling for Forensic competition.

Accompanied by Herbie Carter, these Chorus students can Sing!

Mr. John Lanford: High School Principal.

Mr. Jack Long: Algebra I Parts I & II, Geometry.

Mrs. Virginia McDaniel: English 12, Dramatic Literature, Head Senior Sponsor, Speech/Forensics Sponsor.

Mrs. Pam Machen: Life Management, Marriage/Family Living, FHA Sponsor.
The Chief Announcer at basketball games: our Principal, Mr. Lanford.

Mrs. Thomas helps out by running the clock at the Boys' Basketball games.

The bus driver for a combined Home Ec—Vocational Class field trip to the State Fair turned out to be that notorious woodworker, Mr. Johnston.

One of the unwritten rules about being a Band Director, that Mr. Schuber unhappily discovers, is that he’s gotta march too!


Mr. Norris Richardson: Algebra I & II, Math Club Sponsor.

Mrs. Pat Ogren: English 9, English 11, SCA Sponsor.

Mr. Wayne Pulley: Drafting I & II, Algebra II.

Mr. Norris Richardson: Algebra I & II, Math Club Sponsor, Cross Country.
Teachers Are People, Too!

Teachers are the men and women who stand in front of you and talk — right? Not necessarily! Many teachers show up at all kinds of activities. Somebody has to coach the 21 athletic teams, or help behind the scenes, or just come to show their support!

Selling popcorn and drinks isn’t exactly in the job description, but Mr. Payton helps out anyway.

The Most Spirited Teacher: Mrs. Robinson, the Cheerleading Sponsor. Her goal today: fire up those Sophomores!

Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Griffith, and Junior Elizabeth Davis know how to dress on ’50’s Day!

Mrs. Lois Robinson: French II & IV, Beta Club Sponsor, Head Sophomore Sponsor, Cheerleading.

Mr. David Shuber: Band, Chorus.

Mr. Ralph Spears: Earth Science.

Mrs. Alice Taylor: Physical Education Aide.
Speakers Add Zip to Class!

Speakers: important parts of the daily routines of class — always welcome at MHS!

A Navy representative discusses the pros and cons of Nuclear Power with Chemistry and Physics students.

Business students listen as Mr. Tom Owens describes ads and marketing skills in today's highly competitive world.

One of the guests for Alcohol Awareness Week, Mr. A.G. Hudson, of the ABC Board, gives an audio-visual presentation: "Did You Ever Have to Make Up Your Mind?"

Bowman Bolt Company sponsors a Nut and Bolt Clinic for Physics students as well as Auto students.

Mrs. Pam Thacker: Special Education Aide

Mrs. Martha Thomas: Health 9 & 10, Health/Safety Club Sponsor, SADD Sponsor.

Mr. Tim Ulsaker: Auto Mechanics I, II, & III, Crew, VICA Sponsor.

Mrs. Marian Williams: Special Education.
Accompanied by interpreter Sarah Clifton, Italian artist Nino Galoppo demonstrates the delicate art of porcelain flower sculpture for the art classes.

Mrs. Harris explains the procedure for running the campaign "Save a Sweet heart," sponsored by the American Heart Association, to the members of the SCA.

State Police Trooper Goin emphasizes the dangers of drunk driving during Alcohol Awareness Week.

Junior and Senior students hear National Guard Colonel Whittaker's assessment of modern Asia.

Economics students learn about the intricacies of the Stock Market from Broker John Gobble.
Homecoming Queen Candidates Amy Clements, Vicki Shipley, and Sherri Alford model for the Anchors Aweigh fall issue.

Fake shirts and ties? Betty Riedel helps the Seniors, including Darren Tyler, look their best for their portraits.

Senior band members: It’s time to celebrate!
January's "precipitation" closed everything down, to the enjoyment of students and teachers.

Whole Picture . . .
. . . In Detail!

We've waited 13 years for this night! Let's graduate!

Mississippi State Police Sergeant Pete Collins has the students and Kevin Hudgins in the palm of his hand during his assembly on drunk driving.

The Juniors get in position for the best view of the Grand March. "Next year that will be US!"
Back to School!

It never fails! Ten weeks of vacation seem like forever. All of a sudden, it's September 2 and Mr. Lanford is welcoming us to the '86-'87 school year. It's time to hit the books — to see what changes have been made — to get involved in the Blue Devil way of life!

Claudia Lagunes, exchange student from Vera Cruz, Mexico, fit in right away with the Senior Class.

Our new principal Mr. Lanford greets the student body on September 2, 1986. School is in session!

On October 5, School Board Chairman Mrs. Willis introduces Dr. Mary Hellieson and Mr. Harry Ward at a reception in their honor.

The end of August signals the first "official" duty of a Senior. Bryan Taylor chooses an outdoor setting for his Senior Picture appointment with Hal Ward.

Details . . . Who's In What?

A welcome part of many students' early morning routines is Mrs. Machen's breakfast 'restaurant.'

Japanese exchange student Eriko Toeda models one of her beautiful kimonos.

If the lunch line is long, Mrs. Hudgins must be serving Pizza!


Homecoming: A Spirited Week!

Friday's game was the finale of Homecoming Week, but 'Spirit Week' was a laugh-filled build-up to it, allowing each student and staff member to participate. The themes this year were: "Favorite Era" — "Babies" — "A Day at the Beach" — and of course, "Blue and Gold Day."

Colonials Stephanie Hanna and Ginger Inabinet dance a "Spirited" minuet.

Flower children Maria Rider, Shannon Dyer, and Anne Watts remember the 60's.

Egyptian Pharoah Robert Lewis strikes a regal pose!

Square William Deagle and Susan Robins wonder what the world is coming to? Hippie Heather Mappus just wants peace for all!
Freckle-faced Melanie Ashberry dresses the part for "Baby Day."

Babies Denise Wells and Sara Rowe carry the perfect accessories.

This group is all set for a day at the beach — minus the sun, sand, and surf of course.

Eriko Toeda gets into the swim of spirit week.

The Spirit Week winners are Number 1!
Homecoming: A Parade of Fun!

Because Homecoming is a community event, MHS sponsored a Parade through the Courthouse on Friday afternoon. This year's Parade included floats designed by clubs, Classes, and community groups. Also involved in the two mile march were fire trucks and the Queen's Float.

Elizabeth Davis' concentration is plain for anyone to see!

As they wait for their turn in the parade, band members' spirits run high!

1986 Miss Mathews, Heather Mappus, enjoys her ride through the Courthouse.

The football cheerleaders get a ride on one of the Volunteer Fire Engines.

Special guests Minnie and Mickey grace the Prize-Winning Senior Float.
The Junior Class uses packages and a radio to "Wrap the Raiders."

"Score with VICA," the float theme, seems to be the goal for members as they throw candy at the crowd. Looks like someone caught some!

The Sophomores, punning the popular movie, look for victory with their "Ark of the Lost Raiders."

The Freshmen and the Jukebox hop to "Rock the Raiders."

Varsity Football players are not shy!!

The mood is set for the football game at 7:30. The team is READY!
Homecoming: A “Royal” Game!

7:30 PM, October 10. Kick-off! The Homecoming Game had begun! After an exciting half of football, winners were announced: Best Class Float — the Seniors! Finally, Mr. Lanford crowned Amy Clements as our Queen, and, best of all, we beat Rappahannock 30-6!

The Cheerleaders want the team to rip through the Raiders' defense.

Blue Devil Bubee Willis will stiff-arm a Raider opponent to gain extra yardage.

Mark Gwynn clears the way for the MHS runner.

It's been a long day for everyone, including Ginger Inabinet — but a victory is worth it!
The Freshman members of the Court are (left) Courtney Durham, escorted by Damien Klink, and (right) Suzanne Pleva, escorted by Jay Haynes.

(Left) Susan Vogel, escorted by Steve Shaw, and (right) Angel Rayl, escorted by Jeff Hurst, are the Junior Representatives of the Court.

Representatives of the Sophomore class are (left) Angie Ward, with escort James Todd, and (right) Theresa Phillips, with escort Craig Pearce.

Senior Queen Candidates are (left) Sherri Alford, with escort Harris Bridgforth, (middle) Vicki Shipley, with escort William Deagle, and (right) Amy Clements, with escort Richard Moughon.

Mr. Lanford crowns the 1986 Homecoming Queen: Amy Clements!

At the dance in their honor after the game, the entire Queen's Court and their escorts are introduced.
Into Autumn...

October was one of the busiest months of the school year. The first marking period ended before we knew it, because there was so much going on: JV and Varsity Football, Girls’ Basketball, Golf, Cross Country; pep rallies and the Junior Magazine Sale! We even found time to study!

Fall pep assemblies and games wouldn’t be the same without Spirit Signs — and somebody’s got to do them!

On October 16 all Seniors take the ASVAB test — and find out what their vocational abilities really are!

Once again, the Junior Magazine Sale is a success — and they celebrate with a burger feast in the courtyard.

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Senior Class Officers:
Kelley Sutton (Reporter), Kevin Hudgins (Vice-President), Jeff Hurst (President), Amy Clements (Secretary), Vicki Shipley (Treasurer).

Junior Class Officers:
Karen Morris (Secretary), Stacy McDaniel (Reporter), Pam Morgan (Treasurer), Audrey Stewart (President), Jennifer Owens (Vice-President).
The Senior Class gets in position to create some noise at the Pep Rally — but somebody has to hold up the wall!

The Juniors just can't settle down — even though the competition is finished.

The Sophomores have learned how to make themselves heard!

Students exit the Pep Rally with one thing on their minds: it's time to go home!

**Sophomore Officers:** Laurie Richardson (Reporter), Angela Thomas (Secretary), Christy Hudgins (Vice-President), Theresa Phillips (President).

**Freshman Officers:** (Bottom Row) Suzanne Pleva (Treasurer), Jennifer Fulcher (Secretary), April Johnson (Reporter) (Top Row) Amy Mitchem (Vice-President), Sarah Gobble (President).
October also gave us hot weather, Homecoming, and Club membership. Did you join FHA, FCA, VICA, SADD? Did you go trick-or-treating on Halloween (which was also the night of a Varsity Football Game)? Seniors took the ASVAB test to 'discover' their interests—and the year was almost ¼ over!

By the end of October, the Girls' Basketball team is looking forward to the play-offs and the State Tournament.

Another TD — and Coach DeWitt's Football team is one step closer to the Division A play-offs.

Unusually hot Fall weather means SHORTS!!

SADD/HEALTH AND SAFETY CLUBS: (BOTTOM ROW)
Christy Coates, Jennifer McDaniel, Stacy Morgan.

Audrey Leigh (TOP ROW)
Heather Mappus, Jeff Hurst, Sydney Foster, Angela Thomas, Stephen Shore.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES: (BOTTOM ROW)
Duane Jackson, Anthony Mason, Kim Davidson, Susan Robins, Karen Morris, Alison Sadler, Michelle Rowe, Stephanie Hanna, Shelby Rowe (TOP ROW) Buzz Crosby, Jeff Hurst, Chucky Walker, Alan Chambers, Greg Sadler, Daryle Adams, Bryan Taylor, James Todd, Vinson Mason, Al DeWitt (Sponsor).
The best thing about Fall for the Juniors: Class rings arrive!

It may still be hot out, but when Varsity Jackets arrive, you’ve got to wear them!

UVa in Charlottesville is the place, and Abbie Gobble, Anne Watts, and Audrey Stewart are there to learn what VHSL has to teach about yearbooks.

Who says high schoolers are too old for Halloween? Everybody loved the candy packets that Beta Club members handed out!

AUTUMN: WITH GUSTO/SPANISH-SCIENCE ECOLOGY


SCIENCE/ECOLOGY CLUB: Patti Pies, Angela Thomas, John Whalen, Sylvia Davis, Gary Duff, Thomas Hudgins.
Mr. Lanford and the student body take a break from 4th period to give the Girls' Basketball players a good sendoff for the State Tournament.

A handcuffed Kevin Hudgins learns from Mississippi State Policeman Sergeant Pete Collins that with the right "motivation" you can do almost anything!

November and December: cooler weather, Play-Offs for Football and Basketball. Sergeant Pete Collins gave us a humorous and hopefully sobering look at the dangers of drinking and driving. Students decorated classroom doors and geared up for Semester Exams. It's Christmas!

The Basketball Girls are on the bus and 'UP' for the trip to the first game of the State Tournament.
Eddie Diggs makes his way back to the line of scrimmage on a quarterback keeper during the Play-Off game with Northumberland.

November 17 is the date of the Varsity Football Banquet at Misti Cove. Mark Royals, ex-Mathews gridder and aspiring Pro Punter, is the guest speaker.

Mrs. McMullen’s door gets the “Senior Touch” in the SCA sponsored Door Decoration Contest.

The Beta Club gathers food for a needy family at Thanksgiving, and delivers it to the Social Service office in the Court House.


ONE ACT PLAY: Ginger Inabinet, David Tanner, Michelle Payne.
It's the February doldrums, but there's no rest for teacher's assistant Adam Pattisall.

January and February came and went as fast as the first few months. The first semester ended on January 23, amid lots of snow, and the wrestlers went to State. Beta Club Initiates had to come to school 'in costume,' and Valentine's Day turned the office into a flower shop.

With the help of Chorus Director Mr. Shuber, the FCA Chorus rehearses for its visits to various Mathews' churches.

Footprints in the snow become a common sight, as the schools close eight times in January and February.


A snowy Natural Bridge, Va, is the site of the State Wrestling Tournament, where the Mathews grappling placed 5th.

Because of the random process of assigning characters, Chris Dickinson is challenged to assume the identity of Cyndi Lauper as a Beta Inductee.

Vicki Shipley sings a song to open the Beta Club Tapping Ceremony on February 13.

Dolly Parton (aka Stacy Morgan) performs at lunch time for Beta Club Initiation Day.
Spring Fever is an annual phenomenon — and this year was no different, as students and teachers kept busy and looked forward to warm weather. MHS hosted the Regional Forensics Meet, and all underclassmen spent three mornings (ugh!) taking SRA Tests. The talk turned to the Prom . . .

On March 11, MHS hosts the Regional Forensics Tournament. Gary Duff and Michael Richardson greet the entrants and supply them with necessary information.

"Dinner is served," and the Mathews Forensics Team grabs a sandwich before Regional competition begins.

David Tanner and Michelle Payne perform for the One Act Play competition at Middlesex High School.

The Freshmen have survived March 19-21 and one more round of SRA Tests.
The college group "The West Virginians" perform for the high school on March 13.

The front row Seniors "clap their hands and stomp their feet" — as the West Virginians get into Country Music!

JV Basketball player Greg Robbins accepts his letter from Coach Van Johnston at the Winter Sports Banquet.

At its March meeting, the School Board honors the Wrestling team for placing in the top 10 at State and also the students who received All-A's for the First Semester.

Basketball players and wrestlers mingle after the Sports Banquet.


Midnight Masquerade!

Early in the school year, the Juniors began to plan and to order decorations. As April 24 drew near, the Prom became The Topic: who's going with whom, and what are they wearing? Prom Friday arrived, with 100+ Early Dismissal Notes, and the magic continued to grow...

The tedious job of straightening foil strips goes to Mark West, but it's essential for a perfect ceiling.

David Nelson and Michelle Rowe work together to cover the entrance walls.

Kelley Kierstead's not going to miss her senior prom!

The long wait in the picture line is over, and couples Robbie West and Courtney Durham, and Cathy Dutton and Steve Mise, are up next.

Photographer Hal Ward snaps the pictures that will help save Prom memories for Justine Tyler and David Coulby.
Kevin Hudgins looks a little apprehensive, waiting for the Grand March to begin.

The line is jumbled now, but when the March starts, these girls know just where to stand.

Underclassmen and parents line up to watch the Seniors and their dates.

Tony Keatts and his date Sara Rowe walk in the Grand March.

Kelley Sutton and escort Chris Brown make the walk down the red carpet.

Class President Jeff Hurst and his date enjoy their Grand March.
Now Let's Dance!

Black, red, silver. Masks, balloons, glitter. Metallic gowns of all colors, tuxedoes with ties and cummerbunds to match. A 'air band,' a chorus line. Music by Astro-Disco, an Midnight Masquerade, Smash Success!

The Air Band's guitarists are performing a solo!

Sydney Foster, the lead singer of the infamous Air Band, entertains the crowd.

The Juniors seated at Table 22 are enjoying themselves!

This is a night to remember for Theresa Hudgins, David Rowe, and Wendy Hurst.

Just who is that masked man? Eddie Diggs is certainly taking advantage of the Prom favors.
With a wink and a yell Amy Abrahamson lets everyone know she’s having fun!

The music is great and these couples aren’t missing a dance!

Seniors Susan Robins and Claudia Lagunes take a break to catch their breath.

The dance floor is packed!
Counting Down!

The year was beginning to feel 'over,' as April and May eased on by. The Seniors visited NYC for three days, and the newly chartered NHS held its Induction Ceremony. The Spring Banquet honored athletes, and students involved in school life were honored at an All-School Assembly.

Beta Club members Anne Watts and Chris Dickinson try to take MHS grad Cheryl Hudgin's mind off what's happening, as she gives blood at the Ruritan Club.

One more sign that June 12 is near: Mike Price of Josten's delivers the Senior Graduation supplies.

Seven athletic teams are represented at the Spring Sports Banquet! These girls are patiently waiting their turn in the spotlight.

The thirteen charter members of the Mathews NHS are seated after receiving their pins on May 13.

Banquets are a time for socializing as well as eating good food and receiving awards.
At the annual Awards Assembly, students are honored for a wide variety of accomplishments. Stuart Bunting hands Michael Munn his award as Mr. Lanford announces the category: "Highest Earth Science Average."

Mr. Ulsaker gives Gary Arnest an Auto Mechanics Award.

Thomas Hunley receives a Vocational Certificate.

Eleven Seniors are recipients of Presidential Academic Fitness Awards. Mrs. Fry recognizes them at the Awards Assembly, although they won't receive their Certificates until Graduation.
And It's Over!

Even though snow days forced an extension of school by a week, it was hard to believe that the '86-'87 school year was over. Emotions were mixed: students were relieved and excited, but there was, as usual, a feeling of loss. Graduation would send 84 friends on their way . . .

It's June, but students are planning for next year: athletes who've earned a Varsity letter order their jackets, to be delivered in the fall.

Hot weather has arrived again, and shorts are the ONLY thing to wear as the dress codes ease with rising thermometers.

Lunch in the sun appeals to Claudia Lagunes and Kelley Sutton more than in the stuffy Cafeteria.

The year is almost over for Damien Klink. He's storing his energy for the dreaded Exam Week!
It's Wednesday evening. Exams have ended. Freedom! The final duty of the year for Beta Club Juniors is ushering at Graduation. Next time they come to school it will be as Seniors!

Last minute morning cram sessions in the cafeteria end as the bell rings and students meander towards their first exams. The end is near!

John Whalen checks his battery power during the lunch break Monday, just in case his next teacher allows a Walk-man radio after the exam.

One 30-minute lunch break for the entire student body can get hectic, for teachers and students. Something (or someone) of interest seems to have caught the eye of Coach Griff and Mr. Lanford.

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June 13, At Last!

After 13 years, the goal was close: Graduation! To get there, the Seniors had to survive one last obstacle — Exams — and then it was easy, a matter of sitting back and enjoying the ceremonies that were signaling the end of one career, and the beginning of another.

Baccalaureate is June 7th, but on Friday the 5th, Seniors report to the Auditorium for practice.

Before donning their robes for Commencement, the Seniors take one last opportunity to chat — at least as High School students. Two more hours, and a thirteen year goal will have been met!

Mrs. Fry helps nervous Seniors adjust their caps, so that everything will be perfect!

Lisa Ware, Fifi Cosby, and Lori Gallup mill around outside before the line-up in the Auditorium (and the thunderstorm) begin.

The wait is over. Emotions are stretched. Joan Crockett, followed by Buzz Crosby, march stiffly through the halls to the gym.
After Mr. Lanford's introduction, Salutatorian Amy Clements' Address stresses the changes that will take place in everyone's lives. "Tonight we are here together, but..."

"The Class of 1987 can be pictured as a large chemical compound made up of 84 molecules..." begins Salutatorian Douglas Hudgins' Address. "After tonight, we will be 84 distinct elements..."

The last Senior marches in, and everyone is seated. It's time to GRADUATE!!

Senior Anthony Mason gives the Commencement Invocation.

Salutatorian Scott Lemasters discusses today's poorly appreciated educational system — and the many good things that come from a good education.

"Do we show good judgement in decisions? Do we have integrity? Are we dedicated?" Valedictorian Stuart Bunting asks the Graduates to look critically at themselves before going on with their lives.

Senior Chorus members join the group for the last time: "Don't forget the yesterdays, remember the dreams..."
We’re Moving On . . .

Baccalaureate: Sunday, June 7. The Seniors were counting down the time left.

Commencement: Friday, June 12. The Addresses, Awards, Scholarships, and Music didn't take too long . . . the Diplomas were presented . . . at 8:53 PM, 84 Seniors became '87 Graduates!

The Seniors applaud each other as Mr. Lanford announces the awards and scholarships.

Greg Diggs receives his certificate of scholarship to Webb Institute from Mr. Lanford.

Tracey Abrams and Sherri Alford share a word (and a few tears) during Commencement.

Mr. Lanford awards one of the SCA scholarships to Sylvia Davis.

Betty Riedel leaves the stage after receiving an American Legion Scholarship.
The soon-to-be Graduates listen attentively to Mr. Lanford’s remarks.

"The Class with class," in the words of President Jeff Hurst leaves the school a check toward the purchase of a new trophy case.

Denise Brooks happily receives her diploma from Mr. Lanford.

As Mrs. Foster reads the names of the Graduates, Mr. Lanford hands Michelle Brown her Diploma.

Before the Recessional, but after the Presentation of Diplomas; Confetti is a symbol of Celebration!!

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*Presidental Academic Fitness Awards: Stuart Bunting, Amy Clements, Buzz Crosby, Greg Diggs, Douglas Hudgins, Scott Lemasters, Heather Mappus, Maria Rider, Betty Riedel, Beverly Sadler, Phillip Sanderson
*DAR Good Citizen Award: Amy Clements
*US Army Reserve Scholarship/Athlete Awards: Scott Lemasters and Beverly Sadler
*Girls' Athletic Award: Denise Brooks and Beverly Sadler
*Boys' Athletic Award: Anthony Mason
*Marguerite Callis Service Award (given after the Junior year): Amy Clements

The vote for the Best All Around Seniors for 1987 ended with a five-way tie: (Bottom) Jeff Hurst, Denise Brooks and Anthony Mason were voted Most Athletic.

The Best Looking Seniors are Kevin Hudgins and Amy Clements.

The Seniors voted Most Likely to Succeed and Most Dependable are Stuart Bunting and Amy Clements.

David Tanner and Vicki Shipley are the Most Talented Seniors.

The Most Spirited Seniors are Susan Robins and Jeff Hurst.

The two Seniors with the Best Personality are Douglas Hudgins and Amy Clements.
The Class Flirts of 1987 are Robert Lewis and Kelley Sutton.

Senior Teacher's Pets are Robert Lewis and Heather Mappus.

Buzz Crosby and Sherri Alford are the Most Popular Seniors.

The Best Dressed twosome is Susan Robins and Robert Lewis.

Class Clowns Kelley Sutton and Duane Jackson are always out for a good time!

Stuart Bunting and Heather Mappus are the Most Studious Seniors.

Here's one more look — as the Senior Class of 1987 says Good-bye!
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On the last day of school, June 1987, students load on to the buses. Until September . . .

Lockers are left in every condition, depending on the speed of departure of the occupant.

It's been quite a year and these Seniors are glad it's finished!

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