

All the news that's fit to print!

The Echo is the official student newspaper of UHS, and has been in existence for over 70 years. Students who work on the paper do it on their own time, as it is an extracurricular activity. Staff positions are open to anyone, and some of the students who work regularly are nominated to Bull and Scroll and the International Journalism Honorary Society. Ron Jennings, a member of Bull and Scroll and co-editor, facetiously said that he wants to face his "fears of the administration by confronting these evil forces as only the CHO can." Mrs. Barkley, Echo's sponsor, hopes to have a journalism course next year to gain more students, as Echo demands student participation. Echo is looking for more staff members next year, and with the paper's great strides in improvement, people will be flocking to the presses.



Hotshot reporters Steve Coombs and Ron Jennings interview Randy Seals.



Echo photographer on the scene.



Great Wall of China.



One of the spectacular views, a Chinese pagoda.



Explorers enjoy China.

Exploring Exotic China

Explorers is a group of people affiliated with Boy Scouts of America. They make it possible for young people to go to new places and experience new things. In the summer of 1985, several students from UHS had the unique opportunity to visit China. Through the students' travels they were exposed to a new culture and enjoyed themselves in the process.

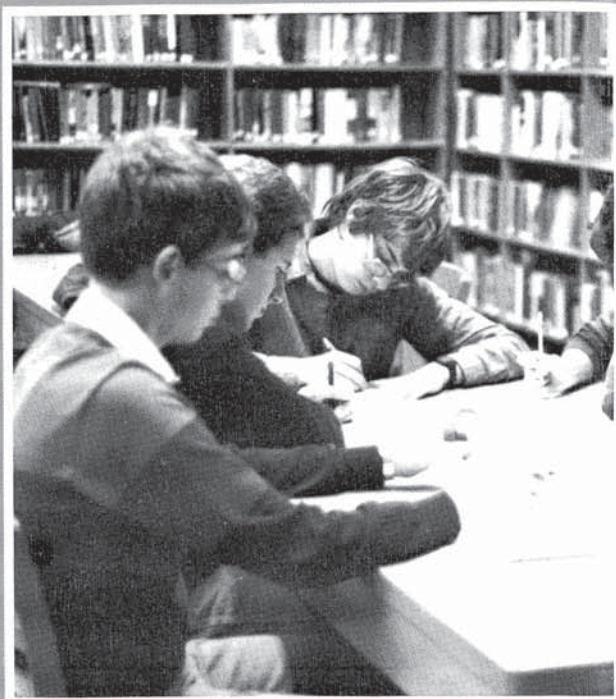
Problem Solvers and Quiz Bowl Exercise Intellects

Now in its third year, Urbana's Scholastic Bowl Team, the Almaniacs, has both varsity and sophomore teams for the first time. The teams meet weekly Thursday afternoons for practice.

To date, the varsity has competed in the WPCD Parkland Radio Competition where they have finished 2nd to St. Joe in the last two years. For the first time, both the varsity and sophomore teams competed in four tri-meets in the Illini Conference. The varsity had a .500 average in each of the first three meets, and had a clean sweep in the last. The sophomore team struggled through two losses and one split before sailing to a win.

"Future Problem Solvers is an academic extracurricular activity that emphasizes all areas of thinking: creative, critical, convergent, divergent, and analytical." Such were the words of Sherry McClellan, who along with Lynn Frick, sponsors the Future Problem Solvers.

The team meets once a month for a two hour session of problem solving, dealing mostly with large-scale issues that could become global problems in the next twenty to fifty years. The purpose of the activity is to encourage participants to think beyond their present time and space, emphasizing thought organization.



Team ponders problem.



Quiz Bowl practice.



Couch Sherry McClellan looking quizzical.



Step one — Identifying the problem.



Matt Kagle and Jeff Hoefft catch a few pointers.



Quiz Bowl contestant Alex Francis.

Chess Team Has All the Moves

The Chess team had all the moves this season with a 14-1 record overall, losing only to University High School.

The varsity team had three players ranked in the top ten of the league, including Kevin Luethel, who is ranked first, and Jeff Hoelt and Malcolm Carroll.

Mr. Hudson, sponsor of the team, is quite a good player himself. He takes a lot of time helping the players and giving advice. He is very proud of them. "They are all very mature and self-motivated," explained Mr. Hudson. "They had books and practice after hours to improve their game. I don't think that I could ask for a better team."



Practice makes the Chess team perfect.



Frank Rhodes beats

a worthy opponent.



Studying the board, the team gets ready to make a move.

Another Successful Bonanza

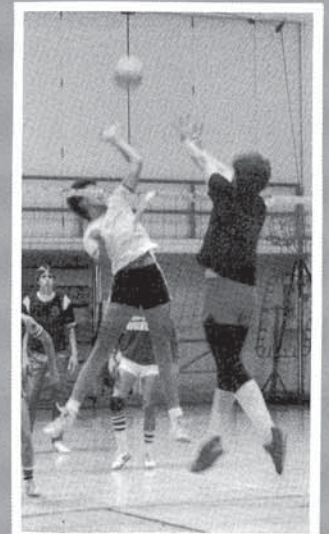
The National Honor Society is a group throughout the country that recognizes and celebrates the academic achievements of senior high school students. The president this year is Stephanie Maggs and the officers are: Meredith Belber, Kirsten Gentry, Deb Heiman, Ron Jennings, and David Kautman.

Presently there are thirty-five members in the

group, and next year there will probably be forty from this year's juniors. This year, National Honor Society sponsored the Volleyball Bonanza where B.I.A., Brothers in Action, upset last year's champions, Face. This year the extra money that National Honor Society earns will go to UHS's Drama Club.



Pam Bröderick offered her refereeing skills.



Adam Jervis blocks that spike.

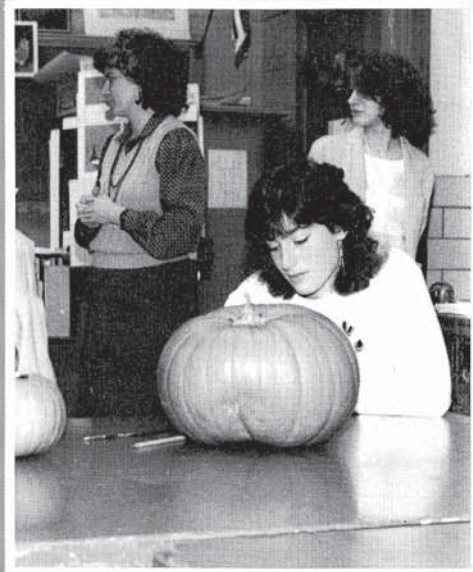


The girls volleyball team seeks success.

Art Club Inspires Talent



Pam King paints at School in the Mall.



Pumpkin decorating is an interesting pastime.

The Art Club is sponsored by Mrs. Wolters and its purpose is to help develop the skills of students interested in pursuing a career in the art field. During the school year, the club visited the Art Institute of Chicago, local museums, and art studios. In order to help celebrate the holidays, for Halloween they arranged a display of decorated pumpkins, and for Christmas they decorated the teachers' lounge.



To celebrate Christmas, Stephen Bodner and Don Kidd decorate a tree.

A Key Fundraiser

The UHS Key Club is a fund raising group that is the equivalent to the Kiwanis Clubs. The Club works with the Early Riser Kiwanis Chapter. Mr. Graham works between the two groups. The Club's major fund raiser was their grapefruit and orange sales. The group meets twice a month before school, with about 50 participating members. President Sara Cogdal presides, with help from Vice-President Shan Prendergast. The Club spends time in the children's ward in the hospital doing volunteer work and gives donations to many charities such as the Save the Children.



Rhonda Morris contemplates financial ideas.



Co-advisor Pat Atchley instructs the group.



Chris Wolschlag and Chris Latton plan their fund-raising strategies.



Key Club Members.

Acquired Individuals Do a Service

The office aides of rooms 218 and 222 are indispensable to the secretaries who must manage a variety of the school's day to day activities. These aides act as runners delivering messages, counseling requests, and attendance forms. They also fill in wherever help is needed from answering phones to locating where a student is at any given time. Everyone will agree they contribute to the smooth running of UHS.



Carol can cope!



How may we help you?

Helpful Library Aides



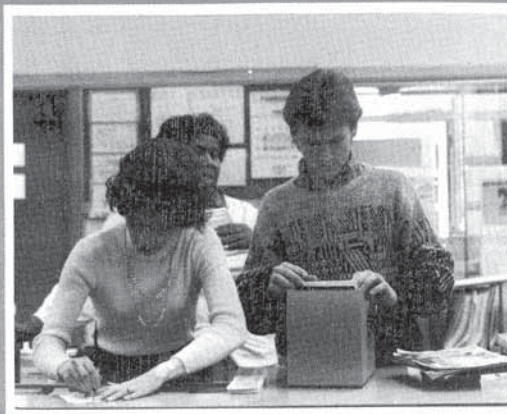
Just checking in.



Where is that book?



Come on Rob, it's not that difficult.



Organization is the key.

Library Aides

Because so many students and teachers make use of the library each day, library aides are a vital part of the smooth running library. As with the librarians, student helpers straighten books, make sure they are in the right places, and check students in and out of the library. In addition to these duties, they help deliver files to classrooms on time and are

Cyclopathic

This year a new club has started at Urbana High School. It is a cycle club who has taken the name of Cyclopaths. The sponsors are Mr. Drew and Mr. Lock and co-presidents Shannon Drew and Eric Cusar. The main goal for the club this year is to become IHSA approved for without this approval the club cannot be granted any money or support from the school; a factor which could seriously limit the club's activities. One thing which may hold up the IHSA decision is the fact that Urbana has the only cycle club in the area and with the growth of more clubs the chances of this sport becoming IHSA approved is much greater.

A variety of activities take place during the club's meetings. One meeting had Mr. Lock demonstrating the proper way to tune up a bike. They also have spent time planning the route for a biking trip to Colorado.

The club is not just for serious bikers. People who just bike for fun or want to learn more about biking are welcome. Whatever your interest, you're sure to have fun.



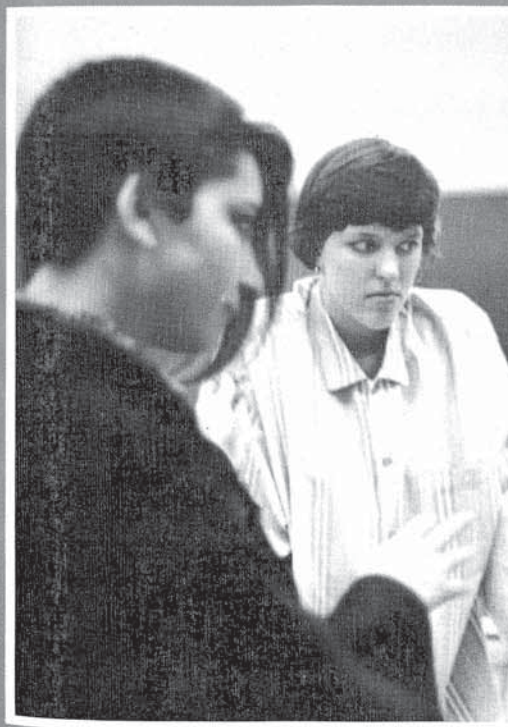
Matt Crummy impresses his fans.



Keeping in tune for spring.



Mr. Drew demonstrates maintenance techniques.



Chrissy Jennings and Jennifer discuss Apartheid.

Give Peace a Chance

"Every student should be in S.W.I. because it's our world, and we're the ones who have to live in it. We're the only ones who can change it; no one's going to do it for us," said junior Jennier DiBello, member of Students for World Improvement.

Students for World Improvement is sponsored by Ms. Penny Hanna. It was formed two years ago under the name Kids Interested in Living Longer and Educating for Disarmament. The name was changed to broaden the scope of the group. They are also interested in Apartheid issue, the situation in El Salvador, and other vital world issues. At their weekly meetings on Tuesday, they discuss current events, have speakers such as the former South African citizen George Hallet, and they watch many films.

On December 14, 1985, S.W.I. sponsored a benefit concert which was held at the Illini Union. Many local bands such as the Didjies, Red Pajamas, The Dead Relatives, and Penguin Dust volunteered their time and talents to the show. S.W.I. raised over \$500, which was used to fund group activities. Money was also donated by the group to the People's Alliance on Central America and the Divest Now Coalition.



Jennifer DiBello gives Mrs. Hanna ideas.





Finger food fun.



Tracey Orr helps a toddler.



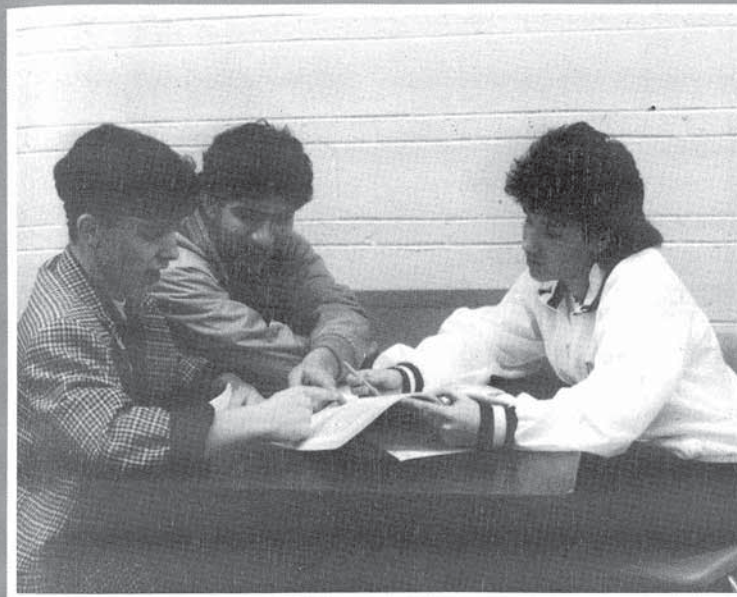
Sandy Shelton guides little hands.

PUPS Teaches Childcare Skills

PUPS is a project involving parents, their school children, and high school students as a learning unit. This year was their sixth successful year at Urbana High School. Its purpose is to help students develop parenting skills dealing with infants and three and four-year olds. During the school year students also get a chance to meet and talk with the parents of the children that they take care of. They discuss parenting techniques and theories on child rearing. PUPS helps students to gain insights on the problems and frustrations of parenting. PUPS is a benefit to those interested in a child care career.



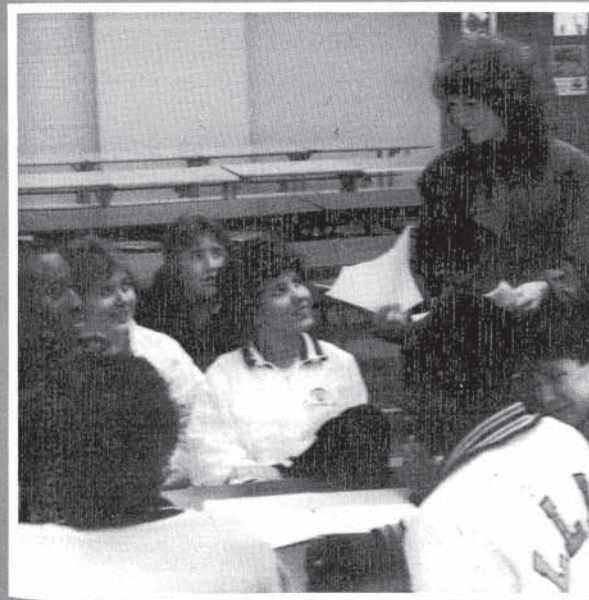
Preparations for the finger food feast.



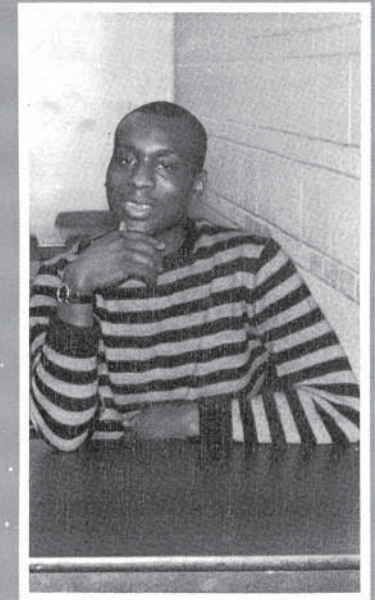
Ayala Donchin helps out.

Students Give Advice

Peer Counselors can be a vital aspect to the student body. This group is made up of students who feel they have something to give to their fellow students — a willingness to listen, a shoulder to cry on and good advice. Not only are the Peer counselors confidential listeners; they also help students with study skills and tutor students in weak areas.



Good advice.



Uh-hh... I'm not sure.

On the Job

Health assistants rely on getting their experience on the job. This year the class has twelve students all hoping to some day be involved in a health profession. Mrs. Marge Keller is in charge of the class which is a year long.

This year the students have been getting experience working in a nursing home. Part of their duties is to take blood pressure and give enemas. These clinicals are for an entire day once a week.

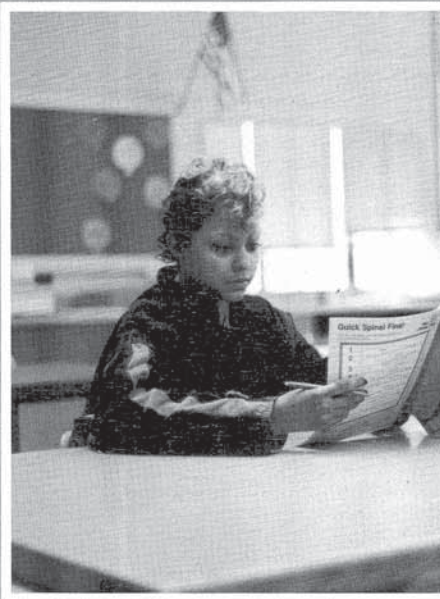
In March the students will go to the Champaign County Children's home where they will help the nurses.

After that they must pass an exam by at least 80% to become a certified nurses assistant. This training will help them get jobs or go on to college after high school.

To take the Health Assistant course you must also be taking or have taken Medical Careers.



Alfredia Ayers asks about a patient.



Studying a medical journal, Teonee Motley learns new procedures.



Angie Johnson practices.



Health Assistants pose with Mrs. Keller.



Laura Lee



Morley learns new procedures.



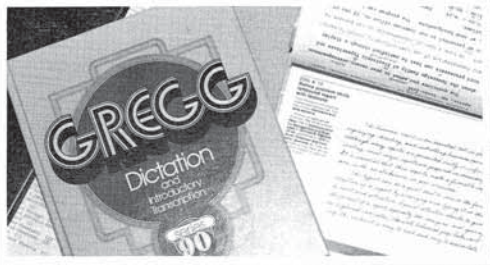
Angie Johnson practices to improve her typing speed.

Future Office Managers

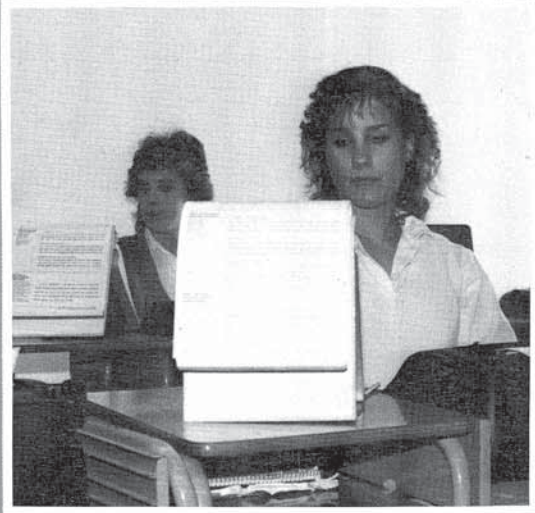
F.S.A. or Future Secretaries of America is made up of students who persevere themselves in an office career after high school. These are highly skilled students who have taken courses in typing, shorthand, general business, and computers.

F.S.A. has several fund raisers throughout the year. One of the most successful is their carnation sale for Valentine's Day.

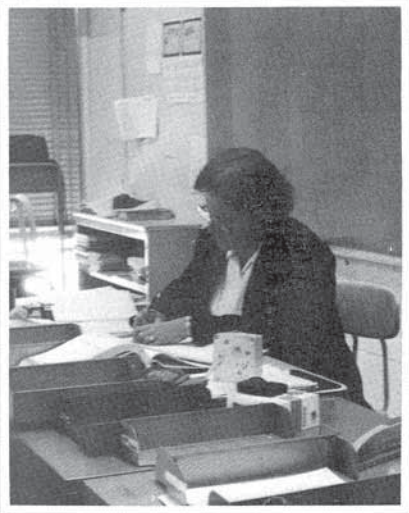
This organization helps to prepare students for their desired career.



Tools of the trade.



Laura Lemmon works out a new program.



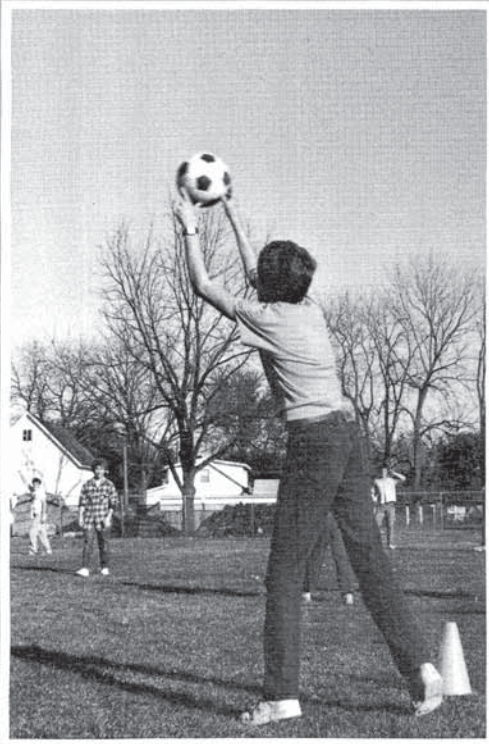
Mrs. Miller examines practice shorthand assignments.



Angie Costello and Chris Renfrew cut paper for pinatas.



A large turnout for the student induction.



Giving it his all!



Senoras battle for control.



A large turnout for

the student induction.



Refreshments for initiates.



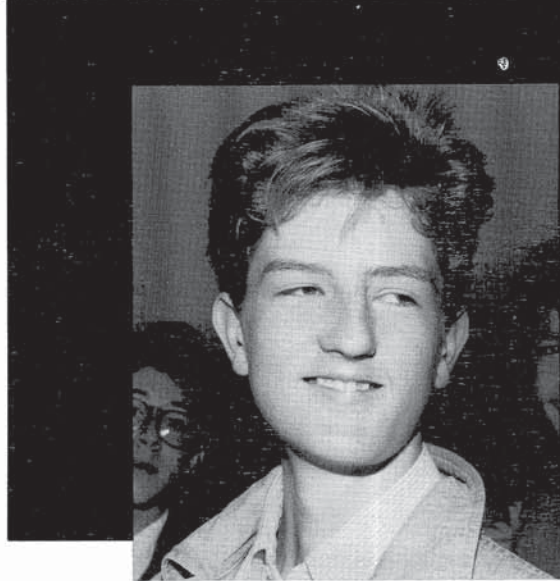
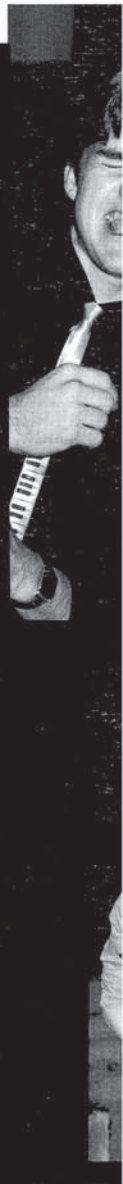
Angie Everett lets one fly.



A master's touch.

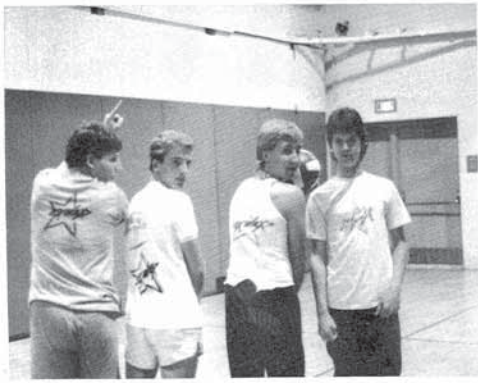
Se Hablan Espanol?

The Spanish Honor Society is a group of Spanish students that are in Spanish 5-6 and above. The students must have maintained a 4.5 grade point average in all Spanish classes that they have taken. The group has many extracurricular activities. In the fall, they had a soccer game and Day of the Dead Celebration. They also made a pinata for the Christmas party they held at the Carle Clinic's children's ward. They are planning on having a pot luck dinner featuring Spanish cuisine. Music from Latin America will be played at the dinner.





Works of Art



Sophomore Standouts

Don Adams
Tamara Adams



Kevin Anderson
Jenny Applequist



Anne Arbali
Shannon Arthey



Julie Arie
Matt Armstrong
Jason Atwood
Rizal Arus
Jennifer Bach
Dan Baker



John Balbach
Lori Baldwin
Ilene Barber
Mike Barcus
Shad Barker
Erin Barkley



Tonya Barnett
Joanne Barry
Betsy Bear
Myron Bennett
Leigh Anne Biggs
Greg Birt



Carla Bladen
Dan Blakely
Jeannie Bloome
Jane Booe
Camille Bouslog
Tessa Bowen



Dale Boyd
Heather Brady
Darrell Brand
Sean Broderick
Annie Brown
Debbie Brown



Denitra Brown
Shaundra Brownlee
Steve Bruns
Tony Burgstrom
Nancy Burns
Scott Buttsmeyer

