



1: Karen Ryan, Leslie Wells, Arleen Adams, Amy Lewis, Denise Hyde, Debbie Becker, Debbie Hyde, Linda Erans, Beth Machula, Kim Darcy, Jane Campo, Chris Langley, Nancy Knott. 2: Tammy Hire, Julie Grothe, Deanne McCoullough, Martha Dennler, Barb Alaxender, Judy Freeman, Debbie Timme, Christie Stacy, Andrea Wavering, Coach Goudie, Laura Wavering, Pat McGregor, Paula Elmer, Tammy Schweighart, U of I Asst. Coaches — Marianne Marchese, Judy, Sue Dietrich, Marla Ogden, Melissa Ferris, Lori Hollowell.

Softball is definitely a team sport, and Coach Goudie agreed that the girls worked as a team to compile a 4-5 record. Everyone worked together, and there was a great effort put out by Debbie Hyde, pitcher and Karen Ryan, catcher. Coach Goudie is looking forward to a new season, after losing only two seniors.

Scoreboard

Date	Team Played	We		They	
		We	They	We	They
4/11/78	Georgetown	5	11		
4/13/78	Mahomet	48	1		
4/22/78	Rantoul	14	3	31	13
4/27/78	Springfield S.E.	22	6		
4/29/78	Springfield Lanphier	5	16		

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Varsity Baseball Leaves Opponents Alone In The Outfield



1: Mark McGomery, Jeff Johnson, Tim Broeren, Jesse Williams, Dave Rear, Stan Lewis, Greg Wolf, Tim Lavender, John Sapora, Greg Jones. 2: Bob Curtis, Jeff Dodson, Mike Marsh, Kevin Brown, Mark Pallit, Stan Swank, Coach Ben Bryan, Ed Kmoch, Mike Merrimac, Jeff Patzke, Tom Paul, Tim Millage, Ken Houser, Dave Overholt.

The Varsity baseball team, under the direction of Coach Bryan, had an excellent season finishing with a 9-3 record. The Chargers were led by Dave Rear, Ken Houser, Greg Wolfe, Mike Merrimac, Mike Marsh, Stan Lewis, Steve Burton, and Kevin Brown.

After losing 14 seniors, the Varsity team hopes to continue its winning tradition next year with help of the Sophomores who were coached by Mr. Swank. Good Luck next year!

Scoreboard

Centennial	16	Bloomington	4
	10	Danville	6
	5	Rantoul	4
	4	Eisenhower	6
	10	MacArthur	4
	2	Normal	3
	9	Steven-Stras	8
	4	Rantoul	3
	5	Danville	2
	5	Urbana	4
		Regional	
5		Rantoul	2
3		Matton	5

Sophomore Scoreboard

Chargers		
1	Central	2
11	Rantoul	8
6	Normal Parkside	0
9	Normal Parkside	4
1	Bloomington	5
4	Normal	5
11	Danville	4



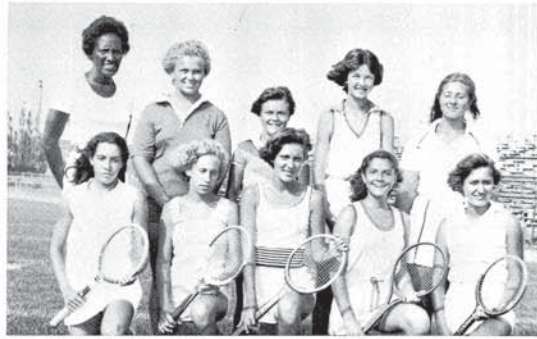
1: Gina Ignasiak, Coach Stan Swank, Susie Schweighart, Joel Livingston, Kreg Brown, Billy Hamerick, John McCarty, Curtis McKinney, Mike Moore, David Becker. 2: Ed Perkins, Todd Manley, Jim Guiffre, Tom McAulliffe, Scott Madden, Ken Spitz, Mike Urbanek. 3: Herb Prasse, Greg McCullough, Tom McMahon, Bill Bergstrom, Chris Evans, Scott Elston. 4: Scott Kemper.

Girls Tennis Getting Into The Swing Of Things



Mrs. Yates anticipation and dedication is the team's greatest asset.

The Girls' tennis team had a challenging season this year. Coach Yates was very pleased with the girls' hard work and determination. Barb Baries was seeded #1 all season and was named the most Valuable Player. Coach Yates will lose only two seniors, Mary Karich and Sharon Renner to graduation, so the team will have a good foundation on which to build on next year.



1: Barb Baries, Paula Elmer, Missy Menguy, Cindy Cozad, and Sharon Renner. 2: Coach — Mrs. Yates, Mgr. — Mindy Carroll, Joyce Warner, Karen Gorrell, and Mary Karich. Chris Federhart (not pictured).



J.V. Members — Barbie May and Lynn Grusy — assist Mindy Carroll and Joyce Warner in checking their equipment.



Mary Karich's vicious follow through is the secret to her success.

Scoreboard

Chargers

1	Eisenhower	8
1	MacArthur	8
3	Rantoul	6
0	Central	9
2	Urbana	7
9	Southeast	0
3	Jacksonville	6
3	Paris	6
0	Normal	9
0	Danville	9
	Rained out	Rantoul
0	Sacred Heart	9

District Conference

Central	14	Lanphier	8
Mattoon	9	Eisenhower	7½
Danville	7	Normal	6
Urbana	7	Jacksonville	4
Casey	6	MacArthur	3½
Charleston	3	Centennial	2
Centennial	2	Southeast	0
Paris	2		
Tuscola	0		

Cross Country Strides To Success



1: John Tryee, Mark Neuman, Harry Walter, Larry Earl, Tim Broeren, Wes Curtis, Greg Hollern. 2: Mark Racer, Mike Buttner, Mike Chastain, Karin Dussinger, Keith Olson, Sue Baker, Dare Pugh, Dare Prociase, Mr. Fairchild, Dahmin Chu. Not Pictured: Arleen Adams, Padro Carroll, Ted Brya.



Larry Earl painfully realizes the race doesn't end at the finish.

Scoreboard

Dual Meets		Chargers
Alumni	27	28
Bloomington	15	30
Mahomet	17	46
Normal	22	39
Rantoul	24	33
Urbana	17	44
Eisenhower	19	40
Mattoon	16	46
U-High	35	23
Danville	21	38

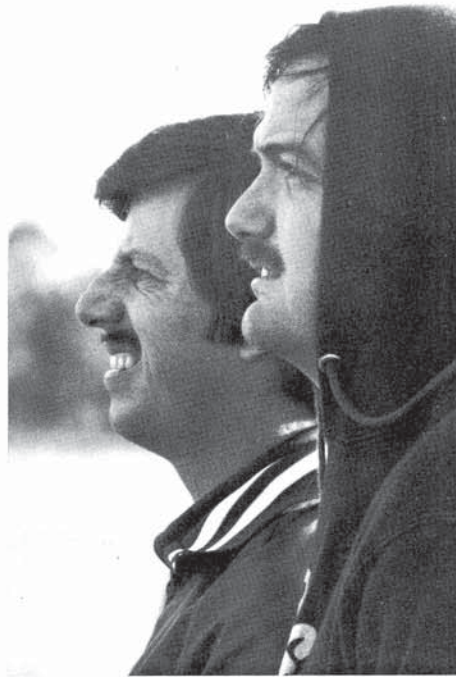
Invitationals
 Paris 5 of 6
 Washington (St. Louise 6 of 7)
 Normal 7 of 7
 Twin City 3 of 4
 Peoria 44 of 44

F-S
 Decatur 9 out of 9 teams
 Rantoul 8 of 9
 Springfield 6 of 8
 District 17 of 18
 Conference 8 of 8



Faster than a speeding bullet, more power than a locomotive, able to leap tall buildings in a single bound. Is it Super Man? No, it's Mark Neuman.

After losing 6 lettermen, the Striders lacked overall depth, in which to begin the season, Coach Fairchild was very pleased with the team's improvement throughout the season. Many of the Striders knocked minutes off their times. Coach Fairchild is looking forward to next year, when 14 of the Striders will be back, and he will only lose two to graduation.



Coach Tomilson and Fairchild anxiously await the results of the race.



Tim Broeren asks, "Where do you want this, Coach?"



Veteran Wes Curtis is obviously used to Victory.

Centennial Golfers Par Season



Jeff Dodson chases the ball to the hole with wary eyes.



Terry McNamera shows his excellent technique as he uses the club to 'lift' the ball out of the trap.

The golf team managed to make an individual effort a team sport shooting the lowest total for nine holes and six men in the school's history.

Some individual outstanding efforts put out by Terry McNamara, who qualified for sectionals Eric Rebelin, who captured 4th in Conference and Jeff Dodson, who gained 7th at the Galesberg Tourney.

Coach Nelson was pleased with his team's efforts finishing with a 6-3-1 record and hopes for a successful season next year.



Steve Klitizing has the



1: Eric Heaton, Rick Hiser, Pete Czajkowski, Terry McNamera, Steve Klitizing, Jeff Johnson, Jeff Dodson, Eric Riblen, Mike Zimmerman. 2: Steve O'Keefe, Robert Nihiser, Mike Hagan, Brett Kepley, Mike Wallner, Greg McCullough, Eric Hoffman, Scott Sodemann, Coach Nelson.

Scoreboard

257	MacArthur	315
236	Norm. Comm.	273
254	Eisenhower	251
254	Lakeview	273
193	Mahomet	208
163	Rantoul	191
212	Mahomet	203
212	Mt. Zion	221
183	Bloomington	179
157	Danville	157



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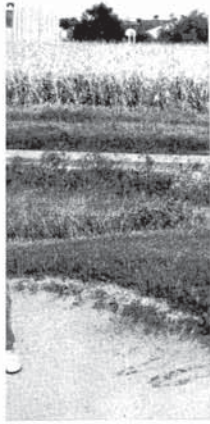
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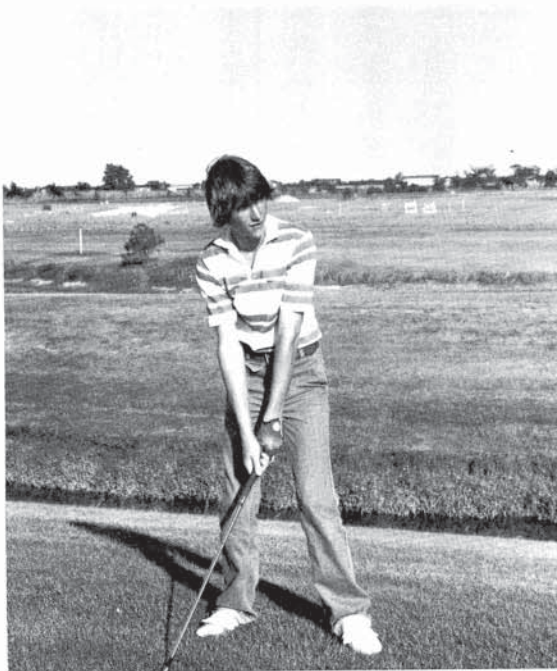
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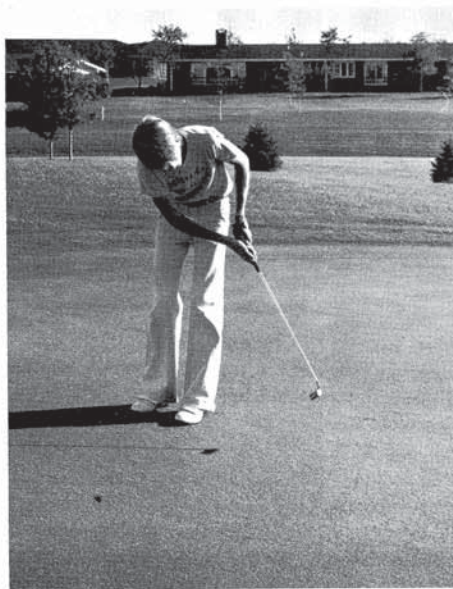
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"Wrong-way" McNamera sends the ball down the well-groomed fairways of Lincolnshire Fields Golf Course.



"Now where did they put that little hole this time?" Eric Rebelin asks.



Steve Klitizing has the touch to put the ball in the cup.



Scott Sodemann knows the value of a full backswing.

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The 1978 Varsity Football team proved to be truly exciting. With such talent on this year's team the long, hard August double-sessions paid off.

"Improve week by week" as Coach Davis said many a times during the season is exactly what the team did. As the tradition has been all through the years at Centennial, Coach Davis and his coaching staff did an excellent job in coaching the talent the guys had this year.

With a 7-2 record of which Centennial is very proud and just one touchdown away from the play-offs, the Chargers produced seven all-conference players; Mark Hartman, the only Charger named both offense and defense, Brian Vizek, John Clark, Tim Millage, Jim Miller and Mike Carroll, who was only 5 yds. away from the 1000 yard mark in rushing, which placed him 1st in the school's rushing history for a junior. Jim Button also made the all-conference second team.

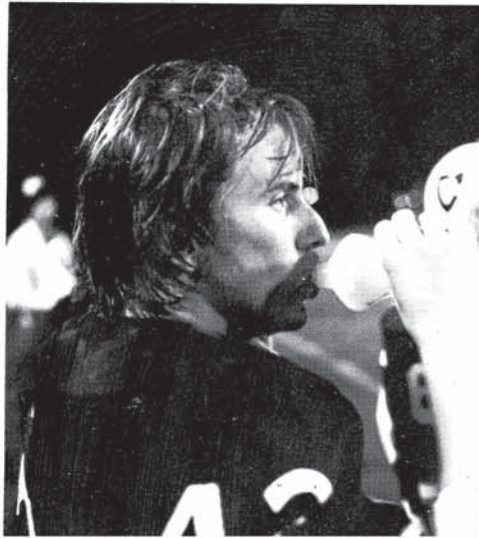
Placing on the All-State team is a great honor. Mike Carroll was named on the second team and Mark Hartman, Jim Miller, and Tim Millage were named Honorable Mention. Congratulations guys; Centennial is very proud of you!



Coach Macek knows he can trust Mark Hartman to carry out a special assignment.



Tony Marcott takes a moment to catch his breath before returning to the "grid iron!" "Leaders of the pack!"



A pre-game huddle builds enthusiasm, enough to last throughout the game.



Coach Davis receives a standing ovation as he accepts the microphone.



Teammates Dan Byers and Terry Williams ask the help of their mothers to teach a new disco dance to the assembly crowd.

Scoreboard

Chargers

Central	19-7
Urbana	7-10
Normal	18-21
Southeast	6-34
Jacksonville	0-28
Griffin	13-0
MacArthur	7-28
Eisenhower	8-15
Lanphier	22-28



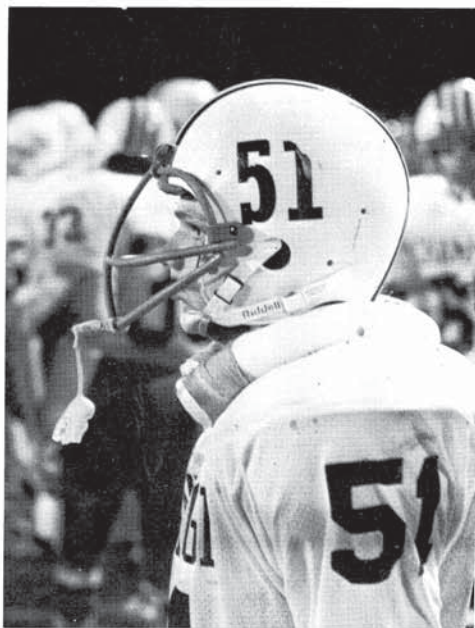
Tony Marcott's outstanding blocking gives running room to Mike Carroll.



1, L to R: Alan Hoffman, Mgr., Kevin Ayers, Barton Hodges, Tom Broeren, Chris Althaus, Terry Trimble, Scott Urbaneck, Billy Hamerich, Rasmus Fahraeus, Russ Cook, Neil Marty, Jesse Williams, Todd Zarbuck, Phil Rear, Mgr. 2: Dan Corrin, Student Asst., Mark McClaine, Scott Kemper, Mitch Hartman, Chris Battershell, Eric Meyer, Kreg Brown, Tim O'Donnell, Chuck Bareis, Greg Hones, Tim Evans, Dan Byers, John Karich, Ed Fredericks, Asst. Coach. 3: Bob Proksch, Mark Hartman, Mike Button, Tod Taylor, Mike Brya, Dave Clark, Esque McLellan, Chuck Hanson, Charles Hassell, Tony Marcott, Mike Carroll, Rob Williamson, Head Coach Wes Davis, John Macek, Asst. Coach. 4: Gary Hembrough, Asst. Coach, Benny Bryan, Asst. Coach, Morris Mallory, Asst. Coach, Rick Langlois, Student Asst., John McCarty, Don Kundy, Brian Vizek, John Clark, Jim Miller, Tim Millage, Jim Button, Terry Williams, Dave McKinney, Marty Scott, Tim Brya, Ted Katsinas, Roger Miller.



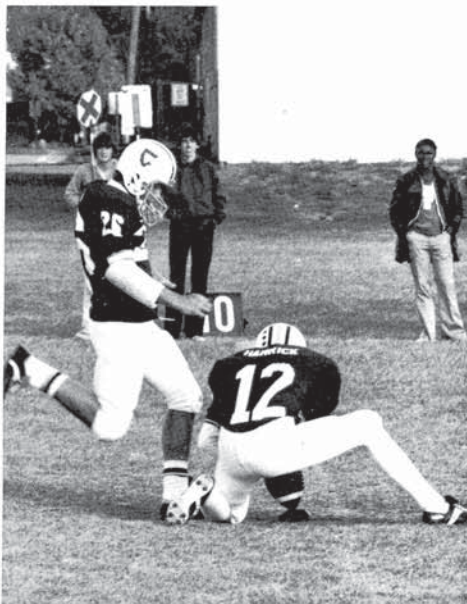
Charger spirit is displayed on T-shirts designed by the Art Club.



Kill! Kill! Kill! is virtually written all over Dan Byers' face. Will Billy Hamerick pull the "CHARLIE BROWN AND LUCY" routine on Greg Jones?



Charles Hassell takes time to recharge his 'get up and go' before returning to nail the opponents on the field.



Sophomores Struggle To Victory



1, L to R: Keith Staggs, Greg Wermers, Ed Helea, Ken Powell, Don Evans, Ed Kadlec, Ron Unzicker, Chris Farlow, Brian McGow, Mgr. 2: Kevin Urbank, Jim Murphey, Joe Petry, Ken Langlois, Doug Kunde, Doug Wimmer, Dallas Moss, Dan Wells. 3: Coach Gary Hembrough, Marc Ehlers, Mike Renner, Don Grothe, Scott Kight, Brian Farmer, Brian Martin, Mike Baker, Eric Carlson, Brian McCoy, Coach John Macek.



Sophomores co-ordinate well as a team to keep the opponents busy.



Where did the receiver go?

Scoreboard

Chargers		
14	Mattoon	28
0	Unity	34
14	Eisenhower	28
18	Southeast	6
6	Rantoul	18
6	Mahomet	22
6	Normal	24
14	Danville	18
18	Mt. Zion	6
14	MacArthur	49
0	Urbana	26
	Central	

Freshmen: Small In Size, Big In Numbers And Victories

Scoreboard

St. Joe	0	Chargers	0
Mahomet	14	Chargers	8
Rantoul	14	Chargers	6
Central	2	Chargers	0
Unity	12	Chargers	14
Mattoon	0	Chargers	42
Urbana	7	Chargers	14
Normal	20	Chargers	0
Danville	20	Chargers	0
Danville			
Decatur St.			
Teresa	20	Chargers	0



"Push em back — Push em back — way back," Coach Mallory should really be a cheerleader.



I, L to R: Alan Williams, Eric Schmisser, Mark Dugan, John Nickel, Jeff Munds, Ken Meeks, David Hasty, Chuck Hutecraft, Scott Meyer, Eric Parmenter, Mike Harte, George Roney, John Connett, Mgr. 2: Ken Yette, Brad Miller, Pat Lenover, Jim Nelson, Bryan Wade, Kevin Armstrong, Scott Petit, Jim Pirie, Paul Marillo, Cyrus Williams, Tom O'Donnell, Robert Fletcher, Steve Staples, Pat Mitchell, David Buennemeyer, Mark Armstrong, Robert Oare, John Bradley, Phil Cox, Mark Brown, Scott Black, Charles Chaney, Terry Smith, Tod Howe, Paul Lumsden, Eldon Bryan, John Kraatz, Mike Sprague, David Attebury, Rick Langlois, Student Asst., Mark Stuekey, Bill Cotter, Steve Wiseman, Kevin Watson, Bill Brown, Ed Davis, Chris Cunningham, Mark Piper, Kevin Mulrooney, Marc Elder, Scott Gatewood, Phil Hassell, Mitch Marlow, Billy Reed, Kevin Saathoff, Wes Davis, Head Coach.



Here he comes to T.D. time.

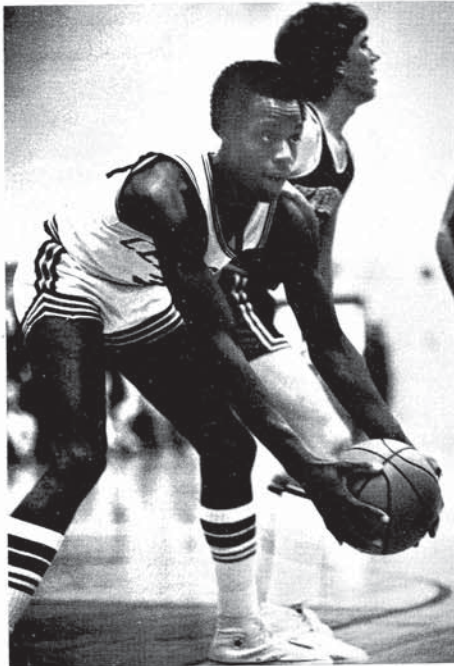
"You MUST have as much confidence in yourselves as I do in you," Coach Bryan's glare seems to say.

The Pressing Chargers

Burn Up the Courts



Terry Williams, Myron Cockrell, Jim Forrester, John Karich, Mike Carroll, Tom Broeren, Elijah Tery, Charles Williams, Kreg Brown, Jeff Hall, James Henderson, John Tyree.



When Terry Williams has the ball, he KNOWS what to do with it.

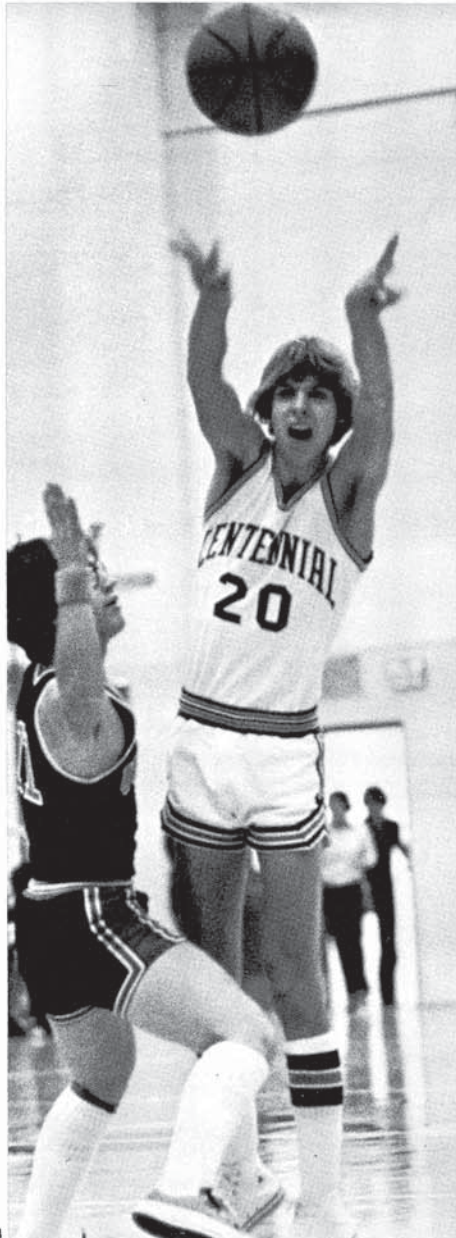
The first year at being the Varsity Basketball coach is full of hard work and many hours. Coach Carrodine put in these hours and hard work getting his team in shape.

Nicknaming his team "The Pressing Chargers," Coach Carrodine's strategy for the season was the full court press. With the full court press, there was never a dull moment. This strategy kept the opponents off balance and never let them take a breather.

The long hours of practice and running paid off for the '78-'79 "Pressing Chargers." Centennial is proud of these athletes and wishes them luck in future seasons.

Scoreboard

CENTENNIAL		
53	Central	54
72	Mattoon	39
63	Southeast	75
67	Jacksonville	57
62	Griffin	73
39	MacArthur	38
57	Eisenhower	63
63	Lanphier	45
62	Normal	60
50	Rantoul	52
61	Southeast	62
53	Jacksonville	46
66	Urbana	53
53	Normal	64
39	Griffin	66
56	Rantoul	66
30	MacArthur	38
63	Eisenhower	65
55	Lanphier	40



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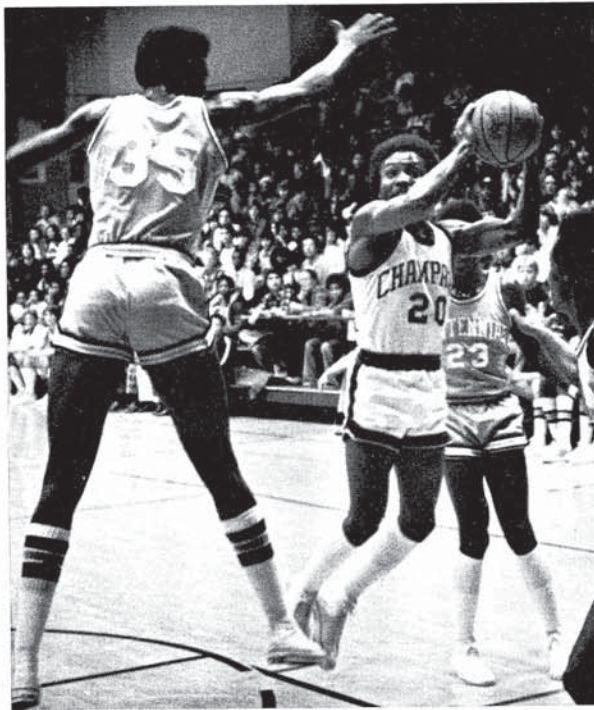
2. Charles Williams' quick pass to Myron Cockrell puts the Chargers ahead.



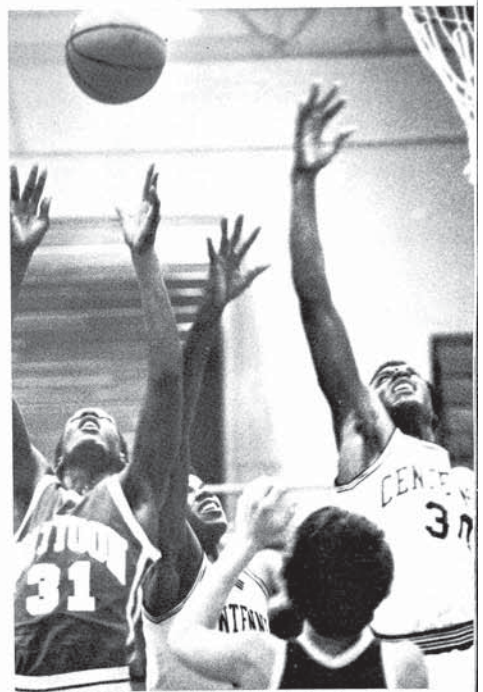
5. Terry Williams launches a picture perfect shot.

4. NO ONE can stand in senior Jim Forrester's way.

All candid photos courtesy of the Courier and News Gazette.



A. Jeff Hall and Myron Cockrell give Central a run for their money.



B. Jeff Hall and Terry Williams give it all they've got.



Jim Forrester drives for the goal.

All candid photos courtesy of the Courier and News Gazette.

Sophomores on Their Way . . .



Row 1 John Pirie — mgr., Billy Rasmussen, Ken Warmbier, Harold Abraham, Jeff Lipscomb, Coach Tomlinson Row 2 Mike Baker, Don Grothe, Tom Dedin, Stan Paul, Mark Piper, Brian Martin, Eric Carlson

Scoreboard

CENTENNIAL

38	Southeast	59
59	Jacksonville	69
33	Rantoul	52
29	Lincoln	56
39	MacArthur	49
46	Griffin	57
42	MacArthur	52
45	Eisenhower	75
58	Lanphier	65
56	Rantoul	63
50	Normal	60
44	Southeast	50
54	Jacksonville	84
56	Urbana	81
43	Griffin	61



As Coach Tomlinson points out many long and hard hours of practice must be given to become winners.



Kneeling left to right — Tom Krouse, Cyrus Williams, Mike Chastain, Curtis Minor, Chuck Hutchcraft, Charles Pester, Alan Williams mgr. Row 2 — Chris Jones, Mark Ellis, Steve Wiseman, Mark Piper, Ben Bryan — coach, Chris Cunningham, Eric Roberts, Darry Howell, Bruce Reifstock



Eric Roberts swipes one off the boards



Freshman Chuck Hutchcraft and Chris Cunningham struggle to gain control of the ball



Steve Wiseman makes the defensive moves on his opposing contender

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The 1979 Boys Wrestlers



George Sieber seems confident as he easily overcomes his man.

Row 1 L to R Jim Nelson, Rick Remmert, Robert Fletcher, Mark Brown, Rick Nihiser, Fred Lathrop, Barton Hodges, Troy Daniels, Terry McNamera, Todd McClerren, George Roney, Row 2 Phil Bortner, Dave Harding, Brian Walker, Ron Unizicker Row 3 Eldon Bryan, Jim Burk, Todd Parmenter, Mark Dungan, Doug Kunde, Paul Lumsden, Eric Meyer, Troy Maxey, Alan Hoffman, George Sieber, Eric Parmenter, Row 4 coach John Lewis, Chris Williamson, Paul Pittman, Scott Kight, Don Kunde, Jeff Gumbel, Bob Prosch, Tim Brya, Mike Brya, Phil Rear, Bob Klasing, Mitch Hartman, Coach Robert Nelson, Not pictured Brian Whitney, Jim Guiffre, Tom Quinn, Coach Morris Mallory.

Scoreboard

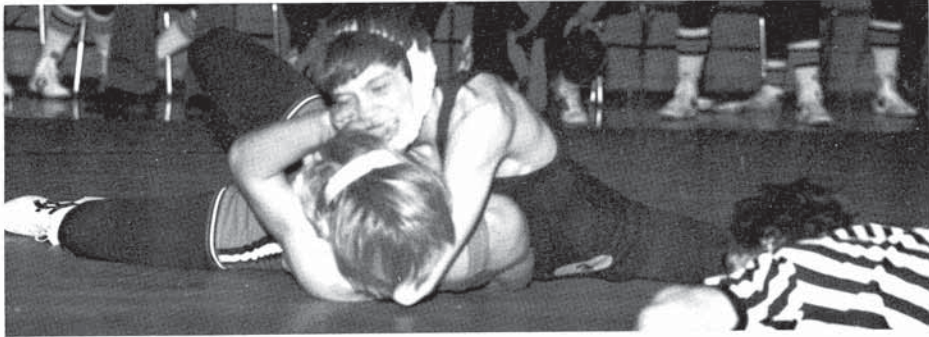
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36	Lakeview	23
15	Central	42
23	MacArthur	34
21	Rantoul	32
18	Lanphier	44
12	Normal	40
32	Olympia	30
32	Metamora 33	
27	Olympia	30
31	Danville	32
20	Urbana	35
36	Hoopston	22
22	Springfield High	34
42	South East	11



Wrestler Don Kunde is observed by brother Doug and others as he out muscles his foe.



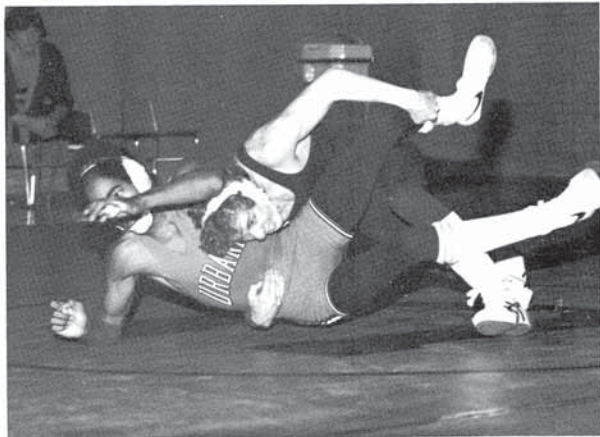
Coach Neison discusses some strategy with Eric Meyer.



Phil Rear struggles to pin his Urbana opponent.

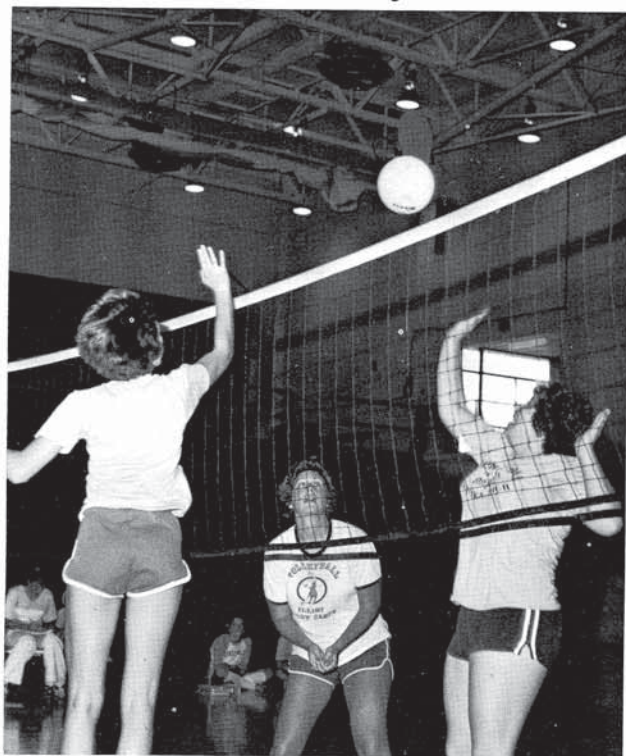


As teammates look on Barton Hodges shows his wrestling skill.



Brian Whitney throws his man to the mats.

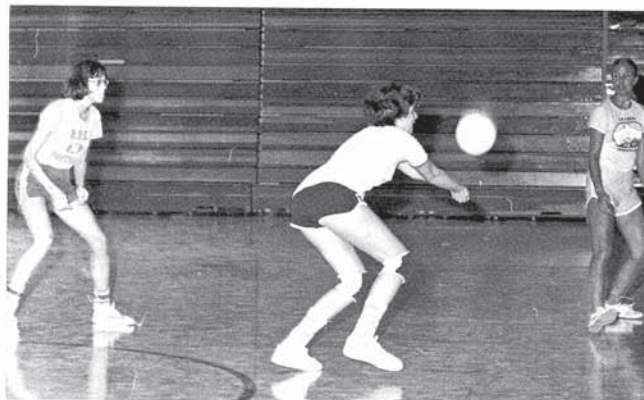
'78 Volleyball Team . . .



Anticipation is keeping Pam Madden waiting as Julie Grothe sets up the spike.



Linda Evans and Andrea Stewart fight for the ball though it seems to be getting away.



SCOREBOARD

Centennial	2	St. Joe	0
Centennial	0	Normal	2
Centennial	0	Sacred Heart	2
Centennial	2	Stephen Decatur	0
Centennial	1	Jacksonville	1
Centennial	2	Springfield SE	1
Centennial	0	Unity	2
Centennial	0	Rantoul	2
Centennial	2	Jacksonville	0
Centennial	0	Hoopston	2
Centennial	0	Monticello	2
Centennial	0	Decatur McArthur	2
Centennial	0	Central	2
Centennial	0	Decatur Eisenhower	2
Centennial	1	Danville	2
Centennial	0	Urbana	2
Centennial	1	Lanphier	2
Districts	0	Central	2

Karen Stark, Amy McDuffy and Karen Moss seem to be caught up in their own little game.

. . . Termed "Spike Squad"



During Coach Brown's first year of being Head Coach, it took time for the team to adjust to the new style of coaching. Coach Brown brought with her a new strategy of a 6-2 offense.



Row 1 Bottom to Top: Karla Kohler, Sue Dietrich, Pam Madden, Karen Stark, Karen Moss.
Row 2: Judy Freeman, Angie Butler, Pat Hulett, Page Fredericks, Tara Fredericks, Terry Evans.
Row 3: Coach Brown, Amy McDuffy, Julie Grothe, Lisa Hansen.

Toni Long's long hours of practice set her up for the Varsity squad.

Success is Proven . . . Girls Can Play



Row 1 Coach Mills, Kari Dixon Row 2 Coach Fairchild, Shauna Fondrin, Marla Ogdon, Arleen Adams, Marybeth Eddleman, Lisa Hansen, Jamie Frillman, Amy Lewis, Kari Stewart, Susan Haring, Jane Campo, Kelly Hagan, Mary Hall

This year has been a success for first year coach, Tim Fairchild. The number of Charger fans at the games proved that girls can play the game too. Hats off to you girls.

Scores

CENTENNIAL		
51	Argenta	53
41	Tolono	46
61	Danville	63
64	Southeast	44
47	St. Joe	30
38	Rantoul	59
46	Jacksonville	75
37	MacArthur	49
22	E. St. Louis	102
44	Farmer City	63



Row 1 Celestine Barbee, Sue Haring, Kelly Hagan, Lisa Catchings, Angie Buckley, Judy Freeman, Linda Evans, Felicia Cockrell Row 2 Kerry Dixon, Manager, Zeldia Rhoden, Shauna Fondren, Bell Overman, Lisa Dixon, Lisa Wendland, Kathy Woods, Cathy Lawrence, Coach Mills Missing Ann Schilling

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Chargers take

Take Your Mark . . . Get Set . . . Swim!



Girls Swim Team

Front row l to R Kim Cjakowski, Janet Menner, Laura Marchiando, Mary Nolan, Martha Dennler, Tammy Schweighart, Row 2 Susan Jones, Wendy Bell, Leslie Wells, Donna Dodson, Marty Vancee — coach Row 3 Sharon Malleck, Lori Harding, Patti Peressini, Susan Dietrich, Carolyn Cjakowski



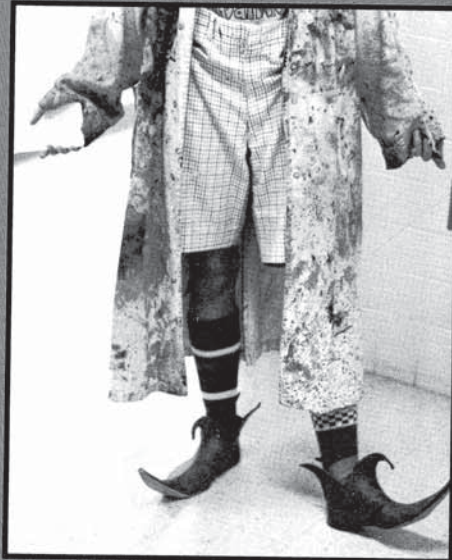
Chargers take the Nestea Plunge



Susan Dietrich's 'flips' leads chargers to victory

Scoreboard

CENTENNIAL		
78	Peoria Central	94
90	Pekin	81
76	Normal Community	96
101	Kankakee E. Ridge	64
65	Central	107
24	U. High Normal	59
46	Urbana	36
66	Central	105
109	Kankakee Westview	63
104	Urbana	64
96	Kankakee E. Ridge	74
98	Bloomington	72
85	Normal Community	87





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