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50 Years

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Theme and Dedication

Certainly one of the main purposes of this book is to recall those happy days of the past, to remember again with warmth, the friendships that have been dimmed by time and distance. So in making "MEMORIES" the theme of our book we must also dedicate this book to all those people who have made our school and community into what it is today—especially our forefathers. They desired freedom and somehow knew that freedom and ignorance cannot dwell in the same country—or county—or valley.

The people who came to the Wishkah Valley, who homesteaded the land and built the valley into the community it is today, wanted their children to have the right to a good education. So they got together, hired teachers and built schools close enough to three or four families so that the children could walk to a common center. Teachers then were held in very high esteem, but their pay was very poor. But most of them really wanted to teach and educate the children so they stayed in the valley and overcame such barriers as language differences, the lack of housing, and transportation problems. Building schools and hiring teachers was no easy task for those early day settlers because it meant time, effort and money expended, sometimes at a sacrifice. As the community expanded, the people decided that they needed to build one large school where everyone could send their children.

Looking back over fifty years we face the inescapable fact that great changes have occurred, some good, some bad. It is hoped that as you are reminded of the things that gave you lasting pleasure, satisfaction, strength and stability, you will in turn resolve to provide the same for the youth of today and tomorrow.

Since this book is part of our national bicentennial, we desire to express our gratitude for our noble heritage and give honor to our founding fathers who had dreams and established laws that would make them possible, not the least of which is education for all.
The Twenties

Memories . . .

Of days long past;

Days of new beginnings

For both school and community.
Memories of the twenties are fading and since there are no written records of those years, we have only to relay on the memories of those individuals who lived, worked and went to school in the Wishkah Valley during that time. We will try to relate through words and pictures, the events of those years as best we can.

We can not begin writing of the twenties without going into a sort of prehistory of the Wishkah Valley. The large forests and rich, fertile soil brought the first men to the valley. After finding work in the logging camps in the area they soon brought their families to the valley to homestead some land and there they stayed. Soon, enough families were living in one location to build a small school and hire a teacher.

There were at least seven small schools in the valley by 1920. One school was located up the Wishkah road where the Mayr Bros. farm now is. Another school was located on the old Malinowski place by the swinging bridge. There was also a school on the spot where the Wishkah Community Church now stands and another one was located over on the East Hoquiam road where E. A. Johnson now lives. The fifth school was situated on the Greenwood Road in the little Polish community. The sixth school was held in what is today the Superintendent's cottage and the last school was located way up on the upper East Hoquiam in the Greenwood Logging Camp.

The main gathering place in the community was Tilley's store (now Thompson's store). People would gather there to sit and talk or play cards with neighbors around the old pot-bellied stove. About the only transportation into town was the horse and buggy.

The seven schools were consolidated into District #117 in 1921 and the doors of the big school opened during the second semester of 1921. Mr. Bodnar (George Bodnar's father) and Mr. Landers led the consolidation movement. A site was finally chosen and the people passed a bond issue to build the school. The school was built on the site of the present school.

The first teachers in the large school included Elvira Lovgren, Frances Oatman, Lila Engles McDougall and Mrs. Taylor. Mr. Linde was the first Superintendent followed shortly after by Mr. Bowers and Mr. Rhodes. Cal Bugher drove the first school bus which was really an old truck with high wooden sides and a canvas put over the back of it. Benches were put in for the children to ride on.

The high school was finally accredited during the 1928-'29 school year. The first class to graduate from the school did so in 1929 and consisted of three people: Josie Walczyk, Jessie Hay, and Harold Hannick.
"Horse and wagon traveled along the Wishkah River to reach Aberdeen. It was sometimes necessary to unload half the load and make two trips up and down the steep Hamilton Canyon."

Joseph Malinowski, son of a pioneer family, designed and built "splash dam" such as this one. These dams were used to hold back the water until enough logs collected behind them at which time the sluice gates were opened and the water carried the logs for miles down river. The logs were then made into rafts and sent on to the mills in Aberdeen.
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Here, in a 1947 photo, a cat is used to haul logs; while early logging was done using a steam operated "donkey" engine such as the one pictured below.
of the Steam Donkey Engine

Helen Bodnar and Ed Lesman enjoyed riding Ed's motorcycle when the weather permitted.

This crew of men from the Greenwood Logging Co., located on the West branch of the Wishkah River, took time out to pose for the camera in their "tin" pants and caulk boots. Scenes like this were common in many areas of the Wishkah and East Hquilam Valleys.
Children of the valley went thru the eighth grade in a one room school near their home then went to Turner's Landing to take a state examination. The test was used to determine if a child was qualified to receive a diploma.

A group from the Malinowski school.

(Lower left) Is a picture of one of the earliest district school buses which replaced the cattle truck lines with benches. (Lower Right) A group in front of the "yellow school".
Friendships and Memories of Good Times

Families often gathered at the school for picnic fun such as this group at the "Yellow" school.

Minnie Whittenborn (Teacher). (F R) Mike Ryoz, Sophia Zembal, Annie Zembel, Nellie Zembal.

Miss Thelma Swingle (Teacher).
The Twenties Bring New Cars, a New School

Roads improved and Ford's invention found its way to Wishkah Valley. This lit a spark in many teenagers' hearts as they tried to grasp all the mechanical knowledge of the automobile they could, so they would not be left behind in the development of the automobile.

Automobiles like the one shown here were found in just about everyone's garage by the late thirties. People who could afford to own a car drove them down the road proudly and many could be seen out on the roads on Sundays for family outings and picnics.

Carl Pekola and George Bodnar share an afternoon of work on Bodnar's car.

Here a group of students gather at the base of the water tower which supplied the schools water until the late 1930's. (B–R) Helen Niceman, Sylvia McDougall, Valerie Walczyk, Mary Bonk, Helen Foijack, Myrtle Compton. (F–R) Francis Hamnick, Andy Walczyk, Richard Biggs, Victoria Zembal, Mary Evanchyk.
and Closer Community Ties

Laura Allenson, one of the first teachers.

(B-R) Fleota Lentz, Einer Leighten, (unidentified), Theresa Chap abundant, (unidentified), Miss Joslin (Teacher). (F-R) Richard Foshaug, Eugene Patterson, Melanie Schapanski, Elvira Lehtinen, (unidentified), Leonard Foshaug.

In the picture above, students (from the little school where the Wiskah Community Church now stands) pose for a picture with their teacher, Miss Joslin. The school was consolidated with the other five schools a few years later. The Christians of the community bought the school soon after but it was burned down in a fire.
The 20’s Bring Many “firsts” to the Valley

In 1920-21 school began as usual in the many one room school houses, but changes were taking place. The site had been chosen and construction was underway on a bigger and better school for the children of the East Hoquiam and Wishkah Valleys. At mid-term classes began in the new Wishkah Valley School #117, serving children from 1st thru 11th grades until 1928-29 when accreditation was received as a 12 year school.

Photos below show the first teaching staff (1920-21) and the first boys basketball team (1924).

From Left: Elvey Lovgren, Lila Ingalls, Alida Wolner, Frances Oatman, and Mr. Lind (Superintendent).

From Left: Coach Rhodes, Zenas Widner, Henry Malinowski, Ed Haskey, George Lakin, Mike Fosjack, James Lesman and Clifford Hartley.

(B-R) C. C. Watkins (Supt.), Bill McDougall, Joe Zvancyk, Mike Fosjack, C. G. Wallis (Teacher), Harold Lane. (F-R) Harold Hannick, Josie Waiczyn, Laura Lehtinen, Marie Helberg, Josephine Lesman, Amy Turner, Carl Pekola.
Remember—Bobbed Hair, Cowl-necked

(B-R) C. C. Watkins (Supt.), Owen Achey, Harold Hannick, Calvin Bugher, Ford Ramsey. (R-2) Jenny Evenchyk, Emily Malinowski, Bill McDougall, Nick Yakovich, Henry Malinowski, (unidentified), Mike Fosnjak, Laura Lehtinen. (F-R) Kalinowski, Josie Walczyk, (unidentified), Jessie Hay, Marie Helberg, Amy Turner, Sylvie McDougall, Blanche Restoile.

Sweaters and Bibbed Overalls


Classes Grow Larger as the Thirties Near

In the picture to the right, students in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades pose with their teachers, Ann Fosjack and Wilma Reeser, outside of the music room. The picture was taken in 1928.

The bottom picture is of the third and fourth grade class of 1929. The teacher is Mary Fosjack.

We were unable to identify the students in either picture.
The
Thirties

Memories...

Of childhood days;
Days when life was simple
And full of anticipation.
In many people's memories, the thirties were years of hard times brought on by the Great Depression certainly did not depress the spirits of those who attended Wishkah High, in fact, it probably made for tightened community bonds and many close friendships.

As 1930 rolled around, Wishkah's second senior class was awaiting their graduation day. Teachers were being paid approximately one hundred dollars a month and the Superintendent took home about fifty dollars more. Needless to say, pay was not much, but jobs were hard to come by at that time so the school staff took what they could get. Thanks to the government's WPA project, many people in the community were also able to work at odd jobs around the school. The school was given funds to put in a water system and the school was able to hire people from the community to put it in. The first grandstands for the football field were built during this time and a few pictures in this section were taken on them. The old football field had a 30° slope which was later leveled out.

Sports and clubs were very important to students at that time. The High School boys' football team took the "B" league championship in 1932 and was a very heavy contender for the title in 1933. The girls' basketball team held the league championship for four years in a row and tied with another school one other year. Many other sports besides football and basketball were offered to the students during the thirties such as baseball, archery, badminton and track. A Latin Club was also formed around 1931. The high school had its own band and orchestra which was taught and conducted by Mr. Holzner, who spent two days a week teaching at Wishkah and traveled to two other schools in the district the other three days.

1930 Brings Boys Basketball to W.H.S.

Sophomore Class, 1929-'30

(B-R) (unidentified), Mr. Duskin. (B-2) Andy Bednarik, Bill Chamberlain, Bob Stevenson, Bud Cole, Joe Baratich and Joe Yakovich. (F-R) Clarence Hannick, Irene Humphrey, Gene Short, Helen Walczyk, Herb Restoule, (unidentified), and Adolf Bednarik.

The 1930 Wishkah High School boys basketball team was one of the first teams to play for the school. They had a fairly good season with 5 wins and 9 losses.

H. S. boys basketball team of 1930

Memories of Athletic Achievements and Class Plays

Girls Basketball Team 1930

The Girls basketball team, coached by Miss Stallings, won the county championship in 1929 and either beat or tied every team at least once in 1930. They had won or tied all of their games until their very last when they lost to Aberdeen by one point.

(B-R) Coach Stallings, Jennie Evanchyk, Margaret Ramsey, Phyllis Womer. (F-R) Dorothy Hartley, Mary Zemba, Angeline Krulich, Irene Evanchyk, Helen Walczyk.

The Junior Class 1931

Under the supervision of Mrs. Wilcox, the Junior Class gave a banquet to honor the Seniors before graduation and they also put on a play called "Finnigan's Fortune". Officers for the class were: Doris Hay, Pres.; Margaret Clay, Vice Pres.; and Helen Evanchyk, Sec.

(B-R) Lynn Short, Doris Hay, Margaret Clay, Elizabeth Bold, Helen Evanchyk and Frank Hannick. (B-R) Mrs. Wilcox (Teacher), Dorothy Hartley, Helen Walczyk, Tillie Haskey, Frank Willumsen, Roy Erickson and George Peterson.
Senior Classes Were Small, but Ambitions Were High

Senior Class of 1931
Superintendent Duskin, Jennie Evanchyk, Mildred Tilley, Bagher, Audra Cole and Effie Pekola.

Senior Class of 1930
(B-R) Emily Mainowski, Milton Clay, William McDougall and Harold Hannick. (F-R) Lillian Evanchyk, Mary Zembal and Superintendent Parks.

The Band 1931
1933 Graduates—Students of Honor and Sports

Class of 1933

(B-R) Ed Werner, Mie Wileon (Advisor), Bill Lockman, Mr. Duskin (Supt.), and Adolph Bednarik. (R-3) Richard Cole, Bill Chamberlain and Herb Restoule. (R-2) George Peterson, Doris Hay, Clarence Hannick and Roy Erickson. (F-R) Irene Humphrey, Alvernon Strandberg and Bertha Walczyk.

Wishkah Proud of High Eleven

Wishkah Valley residents are a group of wild grid enthusiasts these days, with the victory of their team last week over Montesano. The team, including most of the players who were on the "B" league championship outfit last year, is made up of: Ted Lockman, Adolph Bednarik, Clayton Burg, Bud Gano, Herb Restoule, Louie Raich, Ivan Peterson, Bill Chamberlain, Earl Legault, Bud Cole, Bob Stevenson, Andrew Bednarik and Bill Lockman.

1932-33 Football Team
(Pictured Below)

Wishkah High School believed in Women's Lib. even in the thirties! There were many activities available for the girls to participate in, two of which were basketball and the Latin Club.

The middle photo shows the Latin Club in 1931. Although it was open to both boys and girls, during the club's first few years only the girls took advantage of it.

For the girls that liked the more active sport there was basketball. The top and bottom photos show the teams in 1931 and 1932. The team was coached by Miss Ramsey and some of the girls who played during those four years were: Margaret Clay, Elizabeth Bold, Joyce Duskin, Dolly Helberg, Alvernon Strandberg, Helen Evanchyk, Helen Walczyk, Dot Clay, Marie Clay, Dorothy Gano, Mildred Tilley, Dorothy Hartley, Hettie McBride and Juanita Walczyk.
High School Student Body, 1933-34

(B-1) A. Yakovich, R. Erickson, A. Bednarik, E. Sama, E. Blahut, J. Scoby, I. Yount, Mr. Stickney (teacher), Mr. Tierney (teacher).

Basketball Team
1935

Coach Nelson
Charles Quimby
Jim Scoby
Norman Sims
Gordon Linn
Felix Walczyk
Issac Yount
Carry Out Many Worthwhile Activities

Student Body 1935-36

Student Body 1938-39
Happy Memories of Grade School Days, When Troubles Were Few and Far Between

1st and 2nd Grades 1936-37

(B-R) Betty Martin, Jesse Holder, Florence Harrington, Jim Anderson, (unidentified), (unidentified). (R-2) Sunshine Quimby, Tom Dunch, Ruth Cox, Jack Fluery, Mary Ellen Pierce, Marie Helberg (teacher). (R-3) George Bell, Alice Johnson. (R-R) Ralph Van Orsdol, (unidentified), Millie Van Orsdol, Charles Fredericks, Pat Jacer, Ed Peterson, Floyd Conway.

7th and 8th Grade - 1936

(B-3) Alex Fleury, Geni Yakovich, Harold Johnson, Julian Zambal, Ronald Hagbloom, (unidentified), and Gilbert Peterson. (R-3) Edith Hartley, Elsie Yowell, Ada Jane Bednark, Phyllis Van Orsdol, Inez Pierce, (unidentified), Audrey Brakus, (unidentified), and Mr. Musgrove (Teacher). (R-2) Mae Johnson, Betty Pekola, Hazel Keg, Barbara Quimby, Zora Bolen, Betty Fox, Betty Fredericks, Joyce Yowell, Ruth Johnson and Josephine Pekola. (F-R) Walt Van Orsdol, Johnny Shrader, Donald Kietel and Bernard Simons.
1938 Track Season Ends With Much Success

Track Team of 1938

(B-R) Edward Johnson, Albert Johnson, Frank Walczyk, Robert Chamberlain and Jim Yowell. (F-R) Harold Johnson, Ken Ditton, Mr. Mock (teacher), Paul Pekola and Robert Parker.

At the Tri-county track meet which was held at Wishkah, Bob Parker set a new record in the 440 and took first in the javelin. Frank Walczyk took second places in the 440, shot put and discus, while Paul Pekola took second for the mile.

(B-R) Alex Fleury, Elsie Yowell, Gene Yakovich, Ronald Hegbloom, Charlie Hay, Ed Yount, (unidentified), and Tommy Kosial. (R-3) Joyce Yowell, Betty Hay, Ed Peterson, (unidentified), Adaline Bednarik, (unidentified), Inez Pierce, (unidentified), and Gib Peterson. (R-2) Eddie Zembal, Betty Fox, Bernard Simons, (unidentified), Louis Maslowaki, Ruth Southern, Johnny Hannick, Mr. Musgrove (teacher). (F-R) Evelyn Mahaffy, Clarence Biggs, Mae Johnson, Donald Keite, Mary Zelepuza, Walt Van Oresol, Ruth Johnson, and June Fluery.
Extra-curricular Activities Were Important

1932-33 Baseball Team

(B-R) Ivan Pederson, Adolph Bednariak, Swede McManus, Joe Yakovich, Mr. Tierney (Coach), Ben Fishel, George Peterson, Runald Erickson, Pete Hlatuk. (R-R) Roy Erickson, Clayton Berge, Herb Restoule, Ted Lockman, Bud Cole, Bob Stevenson, Louie Riach.

1938-39 Football Team


(F-R) Bob Chamberlain, Bob Peterman, Grant Magee, Jim Yowell, Gene Yakovich and Harold Johnson.
to All High School Students

In 1938 the boys had their football, basketball, baseball, and track teams, but the girls were busy too.

In that year the girls had volleyball, badminton, baseball, track, and basketball teams.

Below is a picture of the basketball team of that year. This team played against such schools as Ocosta, Quinault, Moclips, and North River.

(S-R) Audrey Brakus, Josephine Pekola, Miss June Shinkle (coach), Adeline Bednarik, Irene Peterson, Elsie Yowell. (R-2) Betty Hay, (unidentified), Elna Carter, Mae Johnson, Ruth Johnson. (R-3) Betty Pekola, Joyce Yowell, Ruth Richardson, Betty Fredericks.

Sponsoring two sports dances and putting on a class play highlighted the last year of high school for the class of 1938. The Senior play "Bringing Up Mother" was presented on two nights and was considered quite a success.

The Seniors also took a "Sneak" at the end of the year to Steambot Island and Tacoma.

Officers for the year were: Dick Gano, Pres; Howard Scoby, Vice Pres; Charles Quimby, Sec, and Treas.

(B-R) Robert Parker, Mr. Holzer (teacher), Mitchell Brakus. (R-2) Dick Gano, Gilbert Parker, George Bold, Charles Quimby. (F-R) Mr. Hoag (teacher), Julia Kozol, Ruby Mahaffey, Miss Bogle (teacher).
Students Strive Toward Higher Goals

Beginning in 1929 Orchestra and Band were organized under the direction of Mr. Joseph Holzner. They played at many school activities and competed in music meets with other schools in the League. Many times they brought home first place awards. Here in a 1936 photo are: (B–R) G. Parker, B. Peterman, B. Chamberlain, A. Johnson, H. Johnson, J. McBride, R. Pierce. (R–2) P. McFaddin, L. Hannick, D. Gano, J. Mahaffey, M. Brakus, R. Johnson, R. Mahaffey, F. Fredericks. (F–R) Mr. Holzner, D. Kietel, B. Simons, G. Schroeder, B. Pekola, J. Fluery, J. Hannick.

7th and 8th – 1935

Even Senior Sneaks Were Popular in '30's

Posing in the picture below is Frances Coolidge and Helen Dunbar.

Senior Class of 1939

The Senior Class of 1939 are pictured below during their "Senior Sneak" at Moffet Lake near Tacoma. Members of the class were: George Bell, Kenneth Ditton, Ernest Erickson, Richard Gano, Marian Harper, Albert Johnson, Grant Magee, Dwayne Mahaffey, Wanda Melkosky, Henry Ostrom, Gilbert Parker, Paul Pekola, Margaret Pierce, Ruth Pierce and Jim Yowell.

1937-38 Football team

Upperclassmen Inspire Elementary Students

Back Row:
B. Peterman
A. Johnson
F. Walczak
J. Yowell
J. Wolfe
Middle Row:
D. Mahaffey
G. Magee
E. Erickson
K. Ditto
F. Butler
Front Row:
M. Harper
M. Pierce
Mr. Mock
(teacher)
B. Barton
R. Pierce
Missing:
F. Pekola
F. Pekola
G. Sild

(B-R) Albert Bugbee, Bernice Holder, Gerald Pierce, Thelma Peterson, John McBride. (R-2) Evelyn Johnson, George Ann Schroeder, (unidentified), Margaret Stawski, Thelma Kompton, Shirley Nulf. (R-3) George Yeust, Delores Longhead, Marvin Kizer, Margaret Richardson, Milton Ireland. (R-4) Mike Pekola, Lenore Trafton, (unidentified), Arnold Mekosky, Ruth Hay. (R-5) Virginia Trafton, Clair Wagner, Jean Zembal, Grover Fluery, Audrey Watkins, Miss Dyer (teacher). (R-6) Wilma Wagner, Norman Van Osdal, Jeanette Trafton, David Howell, Jo Ann Howell, Gene Patton, Ralph Erickson, Mary Ellen Conway.
The Forties

Memories...

Of youthful days;

Days of the Nickelodeon

And Senior Proms.
As the years progressed into the 1940's, so did the school and community in the Wishkah Valley. Classes were getting larger as more people moved into the area and the high school curriculum was expanded to meet the needs of a growing industrialized society. Social gatherings were very popular during the forties. Five or six formal dances were held during the school year along with the usual Christmas Program and Class Plays. Sports was just as important, if not more so as in previous years. During World War II, football was eliminated due to the lack of funds, but throughout most of the forties football, basketball, soccer, baseball, track, badminton and tennis were offered to students who attended Wishkah.

The students of those times accomplished many things during their high school years. A score clock was purchased for the gym and the Student Body also bought a nickelodeon for entertainment during their lunchbreak. A tennis court was set up in the late forties and the students raised the necessary funds to buy the tennis equipment.

The forties was a time that will be remembered sadly as war ridden years, but hopefully there are many happy memories for those who attended Wishkah during those years.

Graduates of the classes of 1940 through 1949 are listed below:  
Everyone's Involved—from Janitors to Juniors

Here is a picture showing that initiations were held at Wishkah as early as 1940. Since no one has volunteered to identify the participants they will remain a mystery. The practice of the Sophomore Class giving the freshmen and new students an unusual occupation or mode of dress is still practiced today.

1939-40 Junior Class

(B-R) Ron Hegbloom, Bernard Simons, Don Peterson, Gale Anderson, Walt Van Orsdol. (R-2) Inez Pierce, Margaret Fox, Elsie Yowell, Mae Johnson. (F-R) Joyce Yowell, Elna Carter, Betty Hay, Miss Sigvstrom (teacher), Ruth Johnson, Virginia Raymond.
Can You Remember Moments Like These?

7th and 8th Grades of 1940

Basketball Highlights Grade School Years

Grade School Basketball

(R–L) Gerald Foster, George Bell, Jim Anderson, Clair Wagner, Eddie Pekola, Gene White, Don Scott, Don Fluer. (F–R) Marion Foster, Bob Conway, Byard Perry, Floyd Conway, Lyle Wahlmark, Charles Fredericks, Mr. Minagrove (coach).

7th and 8th Grades 1941–42

Wishkah Teams Were Spirited and Tough

Boys Basketball - 1945

(B-R) Tom Spaur, Ralph Erickson and Gordon Sipe.
(F-R) Max Carter, Clarence Johnson, Gilbert Peterson and (unidentified).
Memories of Friendships and Good Times in Junior High

7th & 8th Grade 1941-42


7th and 8th Grades 1941

Tennis Court & Equipment Purchased by ASB

Student Body, Wykarah High School, Sept. 1942

Student Body 1941-42
Seniors Enjoy Last Few Days Until Graduation Approaches

Senior Girls on Capital Steps

Beatrice Van Orsdol, Dorothy Pekola, Peggy Tilley, Donna Perry, Miss Hackett (teacher), Virginia Zelepuza, Bertha Peterson.

Sponsoring candy and bake sales and a dance after a basketball game provided the Class of 1943 with the money they needed to go to Olympia on their Senior "Snack".

Their trip included tours of the Capital and the Supreme Court buildings where they had the opportunity to observe the legislature in session.

Their trip included tours of the Supreme Court in the Justice Department building and gave them the opportunity to see the legislature in session.

The class of seven girls and two boys included: (from Left) Donna Perry, Beatrice Van Orsdol, Dorothy Pekola, Bertha Peterson, Virginia Zelepuza, Evelyn Chancellor, Frank Fredericks, Peggy Tilley and Clarence Johnson.
1944 Student Body Purchases Nickelodeon and War Bonds in an Eventful Year

5th and 6th Grades - 1944

(B-R) Mrs. Koch (teacher), Carl Foster, George Bennett, Albert Richards, Orvis Albertson, Robert Duncan, Neil Laughead. (R-2) Lorn Conway, Alonzo Davis, Ralph Gregor, Howard Wartz, Jess Rogers, Grant Newell, Leo Helberg, Donald Spar. (R-3) Shirley McDougall, June Davis, Janet Taylor, Eva Gunter, Josephine Chambers, Darlene Martin, Delores Moe, Patricia Newell. (F-R) Gerry Gunter, Donald Good enough, Ronald Conway.

Student Body of 1943-44

Superintendent and Teachers Welcome 1st Graders to Wishkah

Miss Hackett, Teacher

Superintendent Anderton

1st and 2nd Grades - 1944

(B-R) Mrs. Kafon (teacher), Charles Ackerson, Mike Kelly, Herb Weich, Dan Crisp, Richard Pickett, Charles McBride, Tom Southard, Herb Wade. (F-R) Barbara Chambers, Ilka Schriver, Vivian Gooderough, Juanita Helberg, Caroline Riemann, Pat Albertson, Dixie Snyder.
Students Buy First Score Clock, Visit the
Puyallup Fair and Send Representatives to the
"Freedom
Train"
Basketball—No. 1 for All Ages

7th and 8th Grade Basketball—1946


Boys Basketball Team of 1946

Graduation—Turning Point in Young Lives

Graduating from the 8th grade was the highlight of the elementary years... the final event before entering Senior High... from being the eldest and wisest in the hall to becoming just a "froshie" to the upper classmates. Each year the graduates and their families were honored at a reception following the ceremonies.

8th Grade Graduates

(B-F) (unidentified), Bob Spar, Jerry Hunca, Bill McDougall, Peggy Albertson, Edwin Peterson. (F-R) Lyle Laughead, Colleen McDougall, Barbara Foster, Bebe Ann Conway, Lorraine Trafton, Buzz Van Oradol.

Senior Class of 1946

Small classes, common to Wishkah School, gave students the opportunity of more individualized instruction and fostered many close friendships with teachers and classmates. Following is the list of 1946 graduates pictured at left: From Left: Audrey Hogberg, Bob Conway, Virginia Scott, Ardell Schroeder and Gordon Sipe. Not in picture is Mary Ellen Conway.
Remember When the Goal Post Blew Down?

The 1948 football team was the first team to play since WWII and they lost first place to Moclips by a tie game. They used the gear that they had before WWII because they could not afford to buy new ones. One game is well remembered because the wind blew so hard that one of the goal posts was blown down.

Boys Football Team
1947-48

(F-R) Edwin Johnson, Dick Riemuth, Don Scott, Floyd Conway, Edwin Peterson and Joe Pekola. (R-L) Lorn Conway, George Bennett, Bill Peterson, Bud Foster, Al Fredericks and Jerry Bednarik. (B-R) Neil Laughead, Buzz Van Orsdol, Carl Foster, Bob Taylor, Ralph Gregor and A. H. Seme (coach).

8th Grade of 1947-48

From Left: Mrs. Heath (teacher), Don Goodenough, George Beers, Etta Mae Ward, Delores Moe, Patty Newell, Don Spaur, Robert Duncan and Ron Conway.
The Fifties

Memories . . .

Of happy days;

Days when spirits were high

And life was full.
Remember the fifties? They were the years of bobby socks, saddle shoes, leather jackets and crew cuts. They were exciting years--years of many scientific advancements such as the television and other home appliances. They were fun years, filled with surprises, pranks and happy memories.

Wishkah students were very competitive not only with each other, but also with other schools. The school sent delegates to a forensic tournament and they took home the Sweepstakes Trophy for scoring the most points over the other schools that participated. In 1952, Wishkah entered a 6-man football league and walked away with the Tri-County Title. Not to be outdone, the girls basketball team took the Tri-County Title in 1955. Pride in their school was very important to the students of the fifties.

The students were also interested in solving some of the problems that the Student Body ran into from time to time, so in 1955 delegates from Wishkah and North River Student Bodies met in a conference to discuss these problems in order to find some solutions. The delegates from both schools agreed that it was a very worthwhile conference.

Talk of building a new school was circulating around the community by 1959 and a drive was begun to convince the voters of the necessity of a new school. But plans were still in the first stages as the fifties ended.

The members of the graduating classes of 1950 through 1959 are listed below:
Class of 1950: Jerry Bednarik, George Bennett, Albert Fredericks, Joseph Pekola, Bob Oleachea, William Richardson, Richard Riemnuth. 
ASB Welcomes 50's With Many Plans for Upcoming Years

Student Body 1950
(pictured below)

(B-R) Stanley Pekola, Don Spaur, Ralph Gregor, Grant Newell, Norman Hayes, Alonzo Davis, Robert Duncan, Orris Albertson, Ronald Roberts, Mr. Scholz (teacher), (R-9) Ed Haskey (janitor), Gary Tribble, Ronald McDougall, Leo Helberg, Loretta Buz, Bonnie Leonard, Ingrid Johnson, Darlene Buz, Barbara Leonard, Dixie Parker, Wilma Graves, Carl Foster, Robert Goodenough, Ted White, Lorn Conway, Mr. Sonne (superintendent). (R-3) Mrs. Hughes (teacher), Shirley McDougall, June Davis, Verda Wheaton, Mable Spaur, Delores Moe, Janet Sonne, Bonnie Parker, Gloria White, Mrs. Glavonia (teacher), (R-4) Robert McGiveron, Orville Blenis, Bruce Laughhead, Ron Conway, Bob Johnson, Don Goodenough, Johnny Carter. (R-5) William Braskus, John Sherrick, Jim Van Orsdol, Micky Bodnar, Gary Ehly, J. Dean Carter, Roy Hall, Nell Laughhead.
Wishkah Graduates All Male Class in 1950

In 1950 the Senior Class was comprised of six boys, each of which was outstanding in his own way. Each took an active part in either football or basketball and held office in the ASB and other high school clubs.

Members of the senior class of 1951 were: Al Fredericks, Jerry Bednarik, Dick Riemath, Joe Pekola, Bob Oleachea and George Bennett.

Raising funds to buy new basketball uniforms and to repair the score clock kept the ASB busy in 1952.

The club sponsored the National Assemblies program and a full feature film once a month in order to raise money.
Boys Bring Back Sweepstakes Trophy From Forensic Tournament at G.H.C.

Wishkah Valley high school won the sweepstakes trophy for piling up the most points in the high school forensic tournament held at Grays Harbor College this weekend.

The Wishkah delegation had five winners in individual events. All three places in oratorical declamation were won by students from the Wishkah school... first going to William Brakus, second to Ronald Roberts and third to Loretta Buss... Brakus and Roberts of Wishkah took first and second respectively in extemporaneous Speaking...
Wishkah Takes Two League Championships

6-Man Football Begins in 1952

Since there were not enough boys in High School interested in playing football it was necessary to get Wishkah accepted into a 6-man league.

They entered the Lewis County league for the first time and walked away with the title. The Loggers won eight straight games, six in conference play. The squad, left to right, is as follows; Front Row--Charlie McBride, Jim Van Orsdel, John Carter and Willie Brakus; Back Row--Ron McDougall, manager; Bob Goodenough, J. Dean Carter, Ron Roberts, Norman Hayes, Herb Welch, Ted White and Dick Burrell, coach.


Boys Basketball
1952 - 53

Wishkah's 1952-53 basketball team took the Tri-Co Title for the first year in many years. The team, which was coached by Mr. Burrell, was in a neck and neck race with Ocosta for the league title all season. The two schools finally met in a head on clash in Montesano with Wishkah the victor in a tough battle.
Constitution Revised to Meet Student Needs

Although the 1953 Student Body did not do much to make headlines, the students worked hard to make it a successful year. Bonds were sold to put more money in the athletic fund and to buy new football pants for the boys.

In 1954, the Student Body of that year worked most of the year to revise the Constitution. The students also put on movies at least once a month to raise money for the Student Body fund.
Many Exciting Happenings in Grade School

Grade school years were very busy ones. The classes would present skits for the mothers at Mothers Tea, and for all the parents at the Christmas programs. These occasions were the highlights of the year for the lower grades, but for the seventh and eighth grades the flag football games and boys basketball were the big thing. They had their own league and even took first place a few times.

1st & 2nd Grades


3rd & 4th Grades

5th & 6th Grades


7th & 8th Grades

(B-R) Susie Taylor, Yvonne Riemann, Leroy Emery, Elizabeth Lawrence, Jim Crisp, John White, Marcus Graves. (R-S) Larcy Taylor, Laura Bunch, Theresa Scoby, Dorothy Evans, Marilyn Goodenough, David Emery, Ralph Alles, Clifford Cooper, (teacher), (F-R) Dugan Snyder, Chad Clevenger, Sally Taylor, Marian Graves, Sandra Keene, Russell Borden, Kenneth Spar, Steve Gunter, Henry Van Orsobil.

Grade School Students participate in the annual Christmas Program.
Memories of the Years Between Freshman

Senior Class of 1957

(B-R) Mr. Reaves (teacher), Elmer Davis, D. Oscar Anderson, Harold Yundt and Tom Morton. (F-R) Evelyn Goodenough, Bonnie Albertson, Marlene Ackerson, Marsha Palossarri, Joanne Moe and Donna Watley.

1952-53 School Staff

(B-R) Russell Nellson, Clifford Cooper, Richard Burrell and Ed Haskey. (F-R) Mr. Lisle, Marguerite Hughes, Mrs. Merrick, Mrs. Carstairs and Frank Iraola.
The class of 1954 made apple cider on the Student Body owned press to earn money for their class treasury. They sponsored several dances during their four high school years. Two of the boys in the class had the honor of making All-Conference football team. They were: Leo Helberg and J. Dean Carter.

Senior Class of 1954

(B-R) Leo Helberg, Ted White, J. Dean Carter and Orville Blenklek. (F-R) Barbara Leonard, Robert McGiveron, Mr. Lisle (teacher), Bruce Laughead and Bonnie Leonard.

Senior Class of 1956

(B-R) Henry McGiveron, Charlie McBride, Chuck Ackerson, Nick Pavlevsky, Bob Richardson and John Mankelwich. (F-R) Arlene Underwood, Patsy Pate, Melvin Moodenbaugh, Sharon Moodenbaugh and Virginia Garrison.
Friendships Grow as Students Grow

1st & 2nd Grades 1954 - 55


7th & 8th Grades

Ping Pong Tournaments Add Variety

The 1956 Student Body ran into many money problems during the year. A new score clock was needed for the gym and with the help of the Community Club the students were able to purchase it. New basketball uniforms were also needed for the boys and money was raised through the school carnival and a raffle for ten new ones.

During the 1957 school year the Student Body held a couple of benefit basketball games to raise money for the March against Polio.
Sports Prove to be Worthwhile
For Both Boys and Girls

Girls Cop Tri-Co Title

COSMOPOLIS (Special) -- Pat Albertson pumped in a short shot as the final gun sounded here Wednesday night to give the Wishkah girls a 39-37 decision over the North River girls and their first championship since 1934.

The two teams were tied for first place in the league with 5-1 records and the playoff was held here.

Wishkah trailed 12-7 at the quarter but thinned the gap to one point late in the second period. As the buzzer sounded, North River tallied one more to give them a 23-20 edge. Wishkah led 32-30 going into the final session.

Wishkah moved four points ahead in the fourth period but North River's Eunice tied the count at 37-all with 30 seconds left.

Albertson took the ball and fired a long shot with about 10 seconds left. She missed but got the rebound and let fly just as the game ended.

1957-58 Boys Basketball

(B-R) Mr. Webber (coach), Chad Cleveger, Sam Ancich, Don Entus, Ron Scoby, Ralph Allen. (F-R) John White, Bob Parker, Ken Allen, Mark Graves, Henry Van Orsdel.
Cheerleaders Help Keep Spirit High At WHS

Cheerleaders have always played an important part in the sports scene at Wishkah High. In the preceding years, cheerleaders were nominated for the position during a student body meeting and then two or three girls were later elected. In 1953, Mike Lindland was elected as Yell Duke who, as far as we know, was the first male to lead the cheers for WHS.

In the fifties, 7th and 8th grade cheerleaders were elected to help spirit grade school teams on to victory and were sometimes there to cheer on the girls high school basketball team.

Little cheerleader mascots also became popular in the fifties, Linda Jobst and Debbie Woodring were two such mascots.
1959 Brings Modeling to Mother's Tea

School Board Members 1958 - 59

Left to Right: Mr. Flodstrom, Mr. Voeller, Mr. Carter, Mr. Lieb, Mr. Moodenbaugh.

Left to Right: Joan Annich, Barb Davis, Henry Borden, Joan S., Charlene Moodenbaugh, Cookie Lieb.

Student Body 1958 - 59

The 1959 Student Body held many varied activities throughout the year some of which were the high school Christmas Party, the school carnival and the high school picnic. The high school annual was also named "The Log" during one of its meetings.

Officers for the year were: Donna Hardison, Pres.; Roger Manderly, V. Pres.; Charla Lieb, Sec.; Janet Lockman, Treas.; Joan Ancich, Auditor; and Don Entus, Sgt. at Arms.
The Sixties

Memories...

Of blissful days;

Days of a new school

And new learning experiences.
The sixties were turbulent, fast moving times which saw rapid change in a very short period of time. Men were orbiting the earth in outer space while here on earth cities and communities were growing rapidly.

The Wishkah and East Hoquiam communities were also changing. In 1961 the voters approved a bond and levy issue to build a new, more modern school, it was finally built and ready for occupancy by 1963. A fire station was built further up the road from the school a few years later and Fire District No. 10 was formed. An old fire truck was purchased and volunteers from the community are on standby in case of fire.

By the end of 1969 a new addition was added to the school. Four rooms were built to house the fifth through eighth grades and one room was used for high school classes.

Members of the graduating classes of 1960 through 1969 are listed below:
Basketball Teams Do Well in 1960 and 1961

In 1959-60 the Logger’s basketball team, under the fine coaching of George Vlastelica, completed the season in first place with a 12-win 1-loss record. In tournament they were eliminated early however after losing both of their first games.

The desire to win and the return of three starting players helped to cop a 2nd place in ’61.

At the tournament the team showed the physical ability to go far, but they could not handle the faster Morton and Pe Ell.

Playing on these two winning teams were:

Robert Stevenson
Jerry Moodenbaugh
Don Entus
Dave Busz
Dale Carter
David Lieb (manager)
Robert Parker
Herk Hanson
David Ridgway
Steve Reames
Rick McDougall
John Tierney
Bruce Wakefield (manager)
Don Kietel
Bill Mackelwich
Allen Johnson
Joe Springer
Allen Goodenough
Ed—Friend to Two Generations of Students

Ed Haskey, a lifetime resident of Wishkah Valley, was employed as school janitor for twenty-five years before his retirement in 1973. Charles Hay has served on the Board of Education and is presently employed as one of the district's bus drivers. Here, in a 1960 snapshot, they are congratulating Kathryn Goodenough during the reception which followed graduation. Graduating in 1960 were: P. Voeller, R. Mandry, B. Davis, S. Ancich, S. Johnson, R. Stevenson, S. Stevenson, D. Ennis, L. White, J. Ancich, K. Goodenough, C. Lieb, B. Parker.

Student Body 1960-61

Faculty:
Louis Schilke
James Harvey
Dan Fitzmorris
Helen Winterowd
Coastline Schnell
George Vlastelica
Works Begins on New Facilities

What began in 1959 as a concentrated drive by the School Board, faculty and concerned citizens to secure the necessary funds for building a new school had by 1961 become a reality. The people of the community had approved a special tax levy to construct a modern, well planned and equipped school. The entire south wing of the old building had been removed and make-shift classrooms had been built into every available space. Students watched with growing excitement as the new structure took shape within just a few feet of their windows.

1st and 2nd Grades 1960-61

5th and 6th Grades 1960-61


Thomas J. Davis
Superintendent
Seniors Leave After Many Fond Goodbyes

Throughout their four years of high school the members of the class of '61 were active with hamburger - french fry sales, car washes and dances. As juniors they worked to earn funds for the Sunshine Kids program, a charitable organization that provides Christmas gifts to needy children. They also sponsored the Junior-Senior Banquet.


Board of Directors


1st and 2nd Grades of 1961-'62

(B-R) Kenneth Catron, David Haskey, Anne Haskey, Peter Clevenger, Melvin Braswell, Carol Johnson, Debbie Frafjord, Marlin White and Charles Furth. (R-2) Mrs. Camp (teacher), DeEtta McClellan, Kelsey Matthews, Greg Lebon, Jo Dean Voeller, Brad Peterson, Sherrie Nelson, Christine Johnson, Betty Ditton, Barb Johnson and James Gran. (F-R) Wayne Darrin, Jimmy Trudeau, Patty Gilliland, Cheryl Davis, Gary Ridgeway, Jimmy VanOrsdel, Lynn Gunter and Ray Mulano.
The 1960–61 football season closed for the Logger's with a 3–wins 4–losses record but in 1961 they enjoyed a great season in 8-man football, taking second place in the league. They also beat Rainier and Toutle Lake; two teams they had never beaten before in the history of the league.

Coach Merrill's team led the state in scoring with 302 points, averaging 37 points per game. Outstanding player, Dave Busz, made the Wig-Wam All-American team and led the state in rushing with 2,059 yards and was first in the nation in scoring with 179 points.
Pep Staff Inspires League Winners

Yell queens, Char Moodenbaugh, Leona Snyder, Roberta Eby, Vickie Michaels and Patt Allen, help to boost school spirit and team moral.

The Logger's once again brought home a first place trophy in 1961-62, and won another spot in the tournament. They were fortunate enough to win their first game to go down to defeat in the next two. The team members, who are to be congratulated on their fine display of sportsmanship and teamwork are:
Re-organized Lettermen's Club

Resumes Activities

7th and 8th Grades


"W" Club
1963-65
New School Built in Shadows of Old

The picture to the right is a unique one which shows the new school at the right of the old school (which was in the process of being torn down). The photo was taken in June of 1962 when the new school was completed.

The gym and study hall from the old school were saved to serve as extra additions to the new school. For a time the old gym housed the band and choir, the FFA, grade school music classes and weight lifting classes besides the regular P.E. activities. The old gym now serves as a student lounge, a place for P.E. classes and sometimes as a good dance floor. The old study hall is now used as the lunchroom for the new school.

Senior Class of 1962
(Photo taken at Baccalaureate)

The Senior graduating class of 1962 was the last class to graduate from the old school. During the four years that the class was in high school it raised money by having candy sales, dances, car washes, bake sales and swimming parties.

Members of the class are (from left): Gene Verville, Leona Snyder, Dave Busz, Nona Gregor, Jerry Moodenbaugh, Michele Cook, Allen Goodenough, Chuck Budd, Dianne Armstrong, and Jean Blahut.
Both Football and Basketball Teams Post 6-2 Records During Year

The Logger Football team had a fairly successful year in 1964 when they posted a 6 win - 2 lose league record. Members of the team were: Bill Bednarik, Jim White, Mike Marbut, Danny Marbut, Paul Matthews, Mike Gunter, Terry White, Bob Eager, Bill Mackelwich, Dave Medley, Roger Sjogren, Bill Smith, Don Matthews, Dennis Darrin, Howard Marbut, Chuck Olson, Allen Johnson, Mike Smith, Marvin Gunter (manager), and Ojars Matisons (manager).

Coached by Mr. Todd and Mr. Wahl, the 1964 boys basketball team finished its league season with six wins and two loses. North River handed both of those loses to Wishkah in two very high scoring games.

Boys Basketball Team of 1963 - '64

(B-R) John Wahl (coach), LeRoy Fauber, Ivars Matisons, Chuck Olson, Roger Sjogren, Howard Marbut, Don Matthews and Mr. Todd (coach). (F-R) Marvin Gunter, Chuck Hay, Bill Mackelwich, Don Kietel, Paul Matthews and Mike Smith.
Organizations Make Learning Fun

Danny Markut, busy working on a science project.

M'Liss Hay, Claudia Randall and Dagnija Matlson enjoy the 'art' of cooking.

Clubs and organizations open to the students in the sixties were numerous and varied. They included: Pep Club, Lettermen's Club, FFA, FHA, Quill and Scroll, Annual and Paper Staff, Chorus, Band, football and basketball. Highlighting the football season was a Powder-Puff game in which the girls challenged the boys team. Here is a 1968 photo of the A.S.B. Club.
Girls' Team Captures League Title

In 1966 coach Jim Miller led the Loggerettes to gain the league championship. Long hours of practice to get into shape and develop the right player attitudes helped the girls end the season undefeated. The team consisted of: (B-R) Coach Miller, B. Eager, K. Maupin, C. Gunter, M. Borden, D. Ditton, M. Tanata. (F-R) K. Gunter, M. Hay, V. Pavlevsky, D. Matison, P. McCormick, D. Marbut and M. Matthews.
Kindergarten—A New Step in Education

7th and 8th Grades 1963-64


Wishkah Valley's first Kindergarten class was set up in the teachers cottage in the fall of 1963. Mrs. Ilene Klein, who had taught as a substitute and remedial teacher previously, was the teacher for this first group of sixteen youngsters. Nine of the students are still enrolled here and will be a part of the 1976 graduating class. (B-R) R. Bingham, A. Slate, K. Johnson, R. Wakefield, B. Wakefield, G. Duncan, P. Stacy. (F-R) Mrs. Klein (teacher), S. Roberts, F. Peterson, J. Stutzman, S. Bieniek, R. Gunter, G. Brakus, P. Butler. Absent when the picture was taken were: T. Wahl, Greg Lebon.
Reflecting on Past—Awaiting the Future

7th and 8th Grades 1965-66

Conference Champs in 1969

The Logger's captured a tie for first place with the Napavine Tigers in 1969 football play. Beating Napavine 30-6 in mid-season and clinching the last game 87-0 against Adna. Six of the team made All-Conference. They were: Keith Eager, Dave Johnson, John Matison, Mort Gould, John Davis and Dave Cobb.

Here are Dave Cobb, Keith Eager and Buddy Presswood showing their offensive form.

1969-70 Football Team

(B-R) Chuck Herberg (head coach), Buddy Presswood, Dave Johnson, John Matisons, Doug Haff, John Davis, Mort Gould, Keith Eager, Steve Reese (asst. Coach). (F-R) Dave Cobb, Keldy Matthews, Tom Presswood, Wayne Darrin, Brad Petersen, Steve Millar, James Wakefield.

1969-70 Yell Staff

(B-R) Mary Bodnar, Marlene Matthews, Shirley Ditton. (F-R) Debbie Fradford, JoDean Voeller.
The Seventies

Memories...

Of days not far gone;

Days that will become history

To those still to come.
1970 seems like just yesterday, but here it is--1975!! And during those last five years many eventful things took place.

In 1970 the Student Body’s Constitution was revised to admit the seventh and eighth graders into the organization. There was much debate on the subject, but the amendment was finally voted on and passed.

A Science Fair was held for the first time in 1971. Students in the high school science classes submitted projects or demonstrations for the people of the community to see.

In the fall of 1973 Wishkah hit the National headlines when three girls wanted to turn out for the boys football team. The football team had problems recruiting enough boys for the team so Delores and Carol Darrin along with Kathleen Tosland decided that they would help them out. The girls’ parents and coaches agreed to let them play but opposing teams in the league took the matter to court where the judge handed down a decision that went against the girls. However, the decision was reversed by a higher court during the summer of ’75.

The Class of 1975 has now graduated taking with them the memories of their high school years. We hope that there will be many more graduating classes at good ‘ole Wishkah High. It is a small school, yet it has done great things for both its students and the community.

Members of the graduating class of 1970 through 1975 are listed below:
Class of "71" Ends Year with Baccalaureate and Graduation

1971 graduating seniors pose for picture during Baccalaureate services at the Wishkah Valley Community Church.

Graduating night

1971 Graduating Class
(B-R) Roy Pauley, Judy Medley, Sandra Stutzman, Betty Gilliland, Chriss Brooks, Debbie Gunter, Jean Teague, Martha Bojanar. (F-R) Keith Eager, Pete Schave, Mary Sue Kramzer, Mr. Reese (Advisor).
To qualify for Quill and Scroll, the International Honorary Society for high school journalists, students must be in the upper third of their class in general standing, and have done superior work in some phase of journalism.

Mrs. Bingham, advisor; Chriss Brooks, staff photographer and copy editor for THE LOG, feature writer for THE HIGHLINE; Debbie Gunter, assistant editor, THE LOG; Betty Gilliland, editor, THE LOG.

1972 Graduating Class

(B–R) Keldy Matthews, Brad Peterson, Tom Presswood, Marlin White, David Haskey, Rod Conway, James Wakefield. (F–R) Betty Ditton, Barb Johnson, Ann Haskey, Carol Johnson, Jo Don Vocller, Debbie Frafjord.

Courtesy of THE DAILY WORLD
School Spirit Holds—Even In Defeat

The Loggers ended the 1971-72 basketball season tied with Oakville for fifth place in league play. The team was hampered all year with numerous injuries and disappointments, but each individual player improved because of these handicaps. Varsity team members were: Rick Conway, Wayne Darrin, Dave Haskey, Mike Teague, Jay Gould, Stan Dillingham, Keldy Matthews and Pete Clevenger. They were coached by Ronald Howe. Junior varsity members were: Mike Presswood, John Stauffer, Bob Bieniek, John Haskey, Dennis White, Gary Loftis, Scott Roberts, Donald Gourlie. They were coached by Ronald Howe also.
5th & 6th Grades 1970-71

(B-R) Lisa Brakus, Rick Bogar, Tim Hensley, Della Hatch, Delores Darrin, Lee Ditton, Donna Johnson, Paul Wakefield. (R-2) Mrs. Anderson (teacher), Gary Walkama, Barry Gourlie, Mary Tuffree, Lynne Duncan, Danny Hatch, Preston Holder, Laurel Hicks, Kristy Jones. (F-R) Carl Helberg, Joe Van Orsdal, Mike Bieniek.

Grade School Teachers - 1974

(B-R) Mrs. Diane Seis, 1st; Mrs. Sue Kjesbu, Kindergarten; Miss Linda Stevens, 2nd. (F-R) Mr. Dennis Darrin, 4th-5th; Miss Marlene Mojas, Librarian-Reading; Mrs. Pamela Kimbrough, 3rd; Mr. William Kjesbu, 6th.

Student Body Officers - 1972

Left to right: Stan Dillingham, Sgt.-at-arms; Monica Reynvaan, Vice-President; Tom Presswood, President; Debbie Rafjord, Secretary; Betty Ditton, Treasurer.
Memories of Friends, Faculty, Fun

Mrs. Alice Bingham has taught the Commercial Arts class at Wishkah Valley since 1963 and is well known and loved by many of her former students. She was adviser to the Quill and Scroll Club and has devoted many of her off-duty hours to help meet the deadlines for both the bi-monthly publication of the school paper and the annual high school yearbook.

In recent years the Business Machines class has become increasingly popular and in the fall of 1975 Mrs. Bingham became vocational instructor for this course also.

One of the sayings she is most remembered for is, "You can do it", always ready to encourage the most hopeless typist or young reporter.

Mrs. Bingham has been a tremendous help in coordinating this book and has given invaluable advice to its staff.

Mrs. Alice Bingham: Commercial, Journalism

Senior Class – 1974

(B-R) Wayne Sisco, Jay Gould, Betty Middleton, Monica Reynaam. (R-2) Wayne Darrin, Darlene Gunter, Patty Gilliland, Benita Matisons. (F-R) Lynn Gunter, Patti Presswood, Teresa Hicks.

Courtesy of THE DAILY WORLD
Class of "74" Visits World Fair


Courtesy of THE DAILY WORLD

(B-R) John Wakefield, Mike Tongue, John Haskey, Steve Renkly. (R-2) Robert Bieniek, Dennis White, John Stauffer. (R-3) Stephanie Robinson, Linda Jobst, Carol Coady. (F-R) Karen Stutzman, Debbie Walkama, Bunni Tuffree.
Basketball—A Success for WHS Girls

7th & 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Team

(B-R) Miss Brandon (Coach), Barbara McCormick, Susan McCormick, Joni Erickson, Cindy Gutier. (F-R) Liz Bogar, Susan Haskey, Lyssa White.

1973-74 League Champions

Standing behind Captain Carol Coady are Lisa Brakus, Myrtle Middleton, Brenda Coady, Lynne Duncan, Kathy Coady, Gwen Duncan, Kathleen Tosland, Cindy Duncan, Laurel Hicks and Coach Brandon.
Jr. High Team Prepares for Upcoming Years
By Capturing League Title

1974 League Champions

(L-R) Mr. Kjesbu (Coach), John Clevenger, Marty Walkama. (F-R) Butch Jobst, Bob Tuffree, Clay Conway.

Left to Right:
Coach Hudgens
Jack Forsheek
Rick Bogar
Robert Wakefield
Joe VanOordol
Del Stauffer
Paul Wakefield
Ralph Tosland
Manager, Mike Bieniek
Asst Coach
Rand Hoohan
In 73-74 the football team was short of players and there was a lack of interest in it. That's when Delores Darrin, Carol Darrin and Kathleen Tosland decided to turn out for high school football.

After getting permission from their parents and the coaches okay the girls suited up and joined the team on the field. The male members of the team gave their approval but the other teams in the league disapproved and took the matter to the State Athletic's Association which told the girls that they could not play.

Now 2 years later the courts have ruled that girls WILL BE allowed to play football.

1974 Football Team
Back Row:
Coach Jay Clark
Ralph Tosland
John Stauffer
Joe VanOrsdol
Lee Ditton
Mike Presswood
Rick Conway
Roy Condy
Ass't Coach
Dennis Darrin
Front Row:
Tom Tosland
Jon Allen
Delores Darrin
Carol Darrin
Kathleen Tosland
Kevin Morris
Manager, Willy Stauffer
Bygone Days Will Remain Just a Memory

Senior Class 1975

Left to Right: Cindy Duncan, Patty Walkma, John Van Orsdol, Mike Presswood, Rick Conway, Kevin Morris, Don Gourlie, Brenda Condy, Jim Kramzer, Carol Darrin.

High School girls bring "50's" back to Wishkah.
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