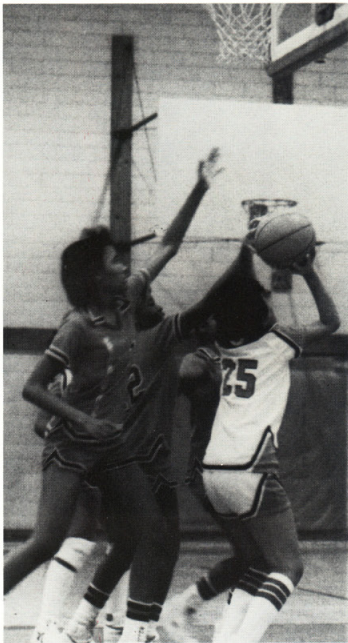
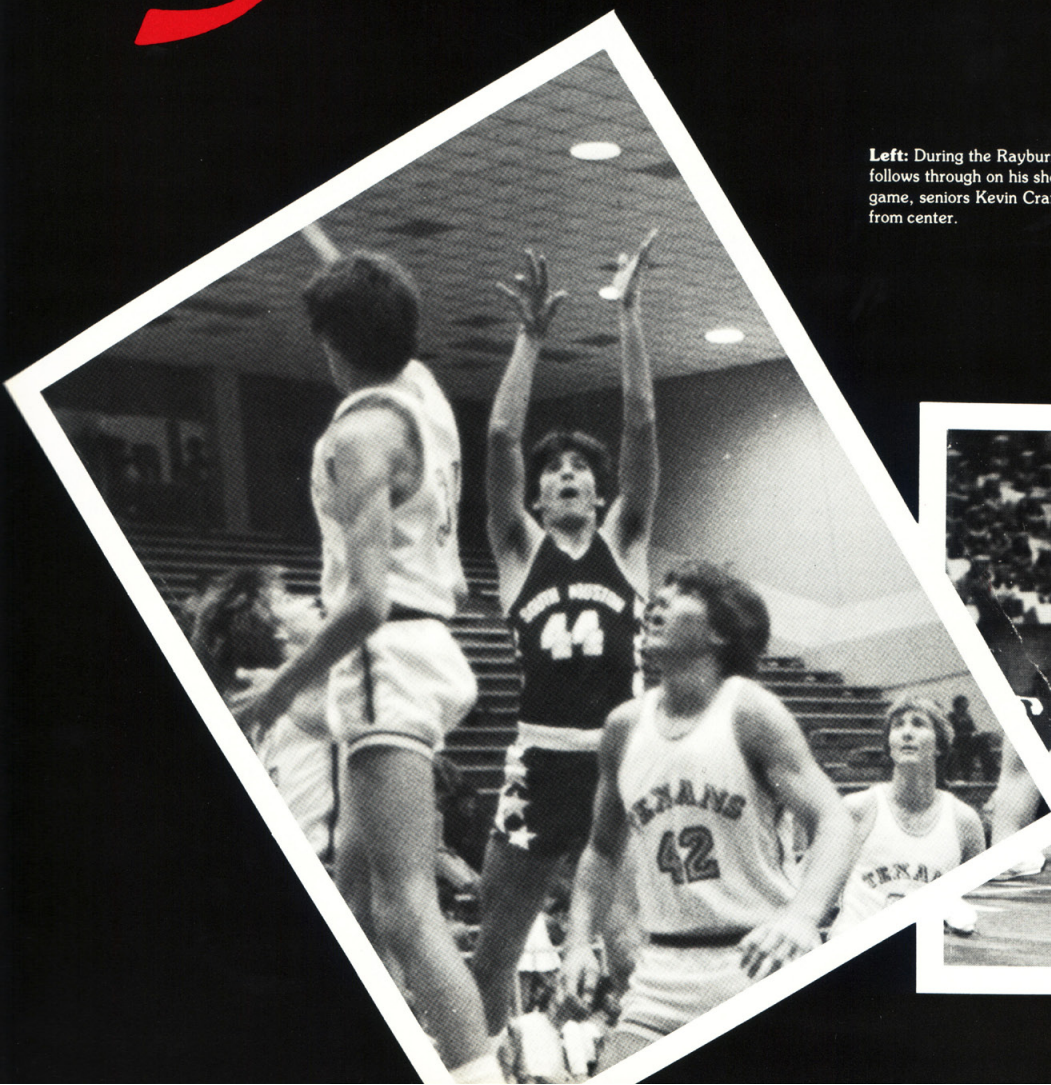




Top left: Continuing his follow through, junior Doug Davis eyes the green. **Top right:** Despite obvious complications, senior Kenneth Wood manages to maintain the ball. **Bottom left:** Scoring for the Varsity Girls' Basketball team, sophomore Juanita Salas proves to be a valuable player. **Bottom center:** Tightly in form junior Rusty Philips putts a good one. **Bottom right:** Performing a perfect dive, junior Stephanie Harrod shows onlookers how it's done.



High Octane



Left: During the Rayburn game, senior Robert Kolakowski follows through on his shot. **Right:** In the Baytown Sterling game, seniors Kevin Craft and Steve Stone await the snap from center.



Wildmen spark dynamite defense



Calling his team together, Coach Bill Newcomb discusses their next move.

photo by Kenny Hart

Trojans generate offense; produce winning season

The Varsity Football team produced a winning record last year as they finished 5-5 overall and 4-3 in district.

The Trojans definitely proved to be tough competitors in District 23-5A. "Our offense improved tremendously this year," explained Head Coach Bill Newcomb. "We had some great senior leaders this year. They helped our team develop a winning attitude that was the key to our great improvement from the last two years," added Coach Newcomb.

The reasons for the success of the Tro-

jans was the ability to put points on the scoreboard. The Trojans were packed with a variety of players who ranked their offense number one in the district.

The offense, however, could not take all the credit for the team's success.

"I was really impressed with the defense this year," said Coach Newcomb. "It was mostly made of young players, and they worked hard and got the job done," he exclaimed.

"Before the season started, the papers had us picked last in district. We ended

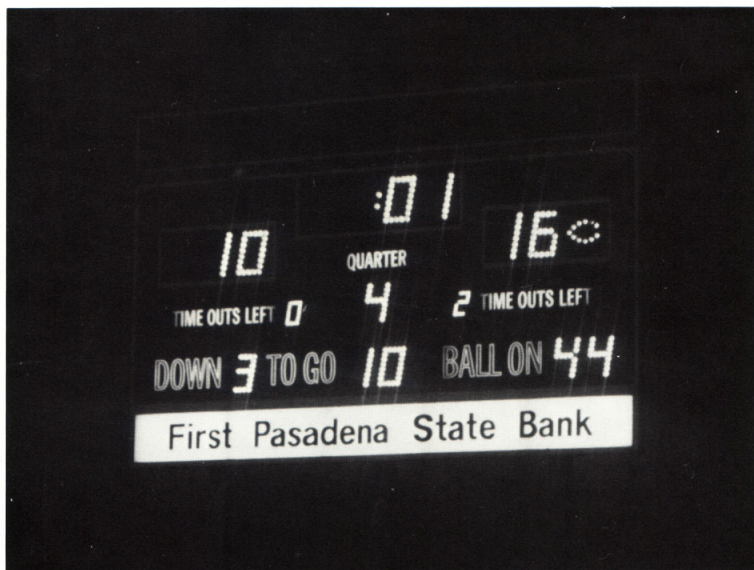
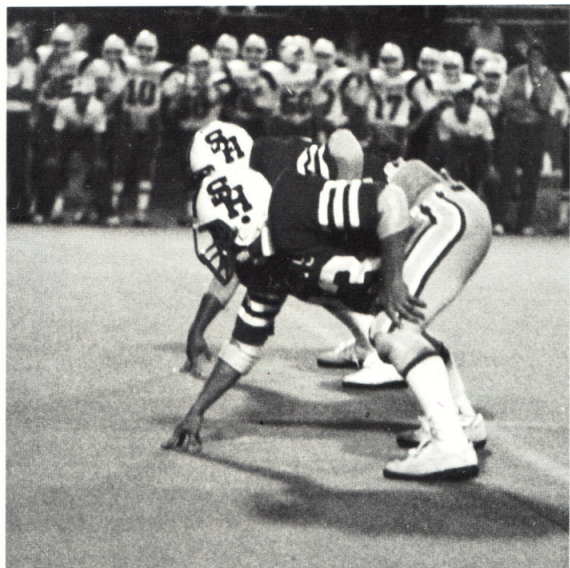
up 4-3 in district and took third place," said senior Tim Lary. "We proved to everyone we had what it takes to win, but more importantly, we proved it to ourselves," added Lary.

"We really moved the ball well this year. Our offense did a great job," boasted senior James Richardson.

"The team worked hard, I am proud of them. They are a great bunch of boys," concluded Coach Newcomb.

David Estes

FOOTBALL



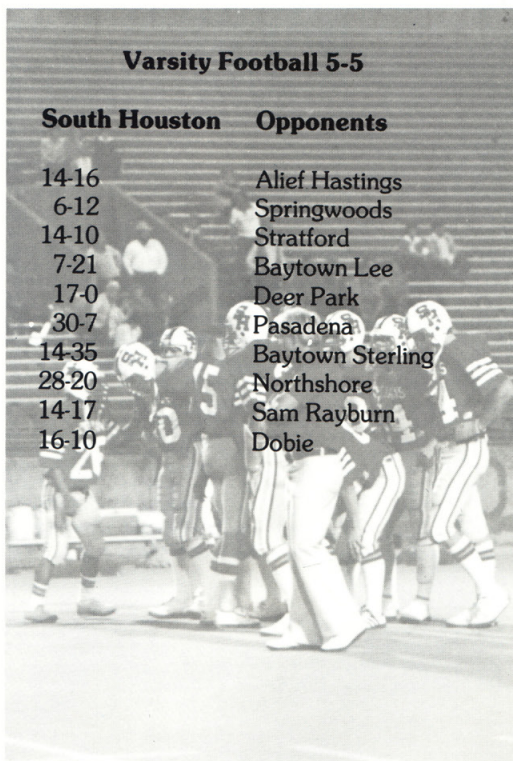
Above left: Lining up in the backfield, senior Joel Ortiz awaits the call from the quarterback. **Above:** The remaining second ticks off the clock as the scoreboard displays a South Houston victory. **Left:** Clearing a path for the running-back, senior Kevin Craft takes out a Dobie pursuer. **Below left:** Calling in the defensive play, Coach Doug Scott prepares his team for the next play. **Below:** Before the game, Coach Bill Newcomb and the team prepare their strategy.



Varsity Football 5-5

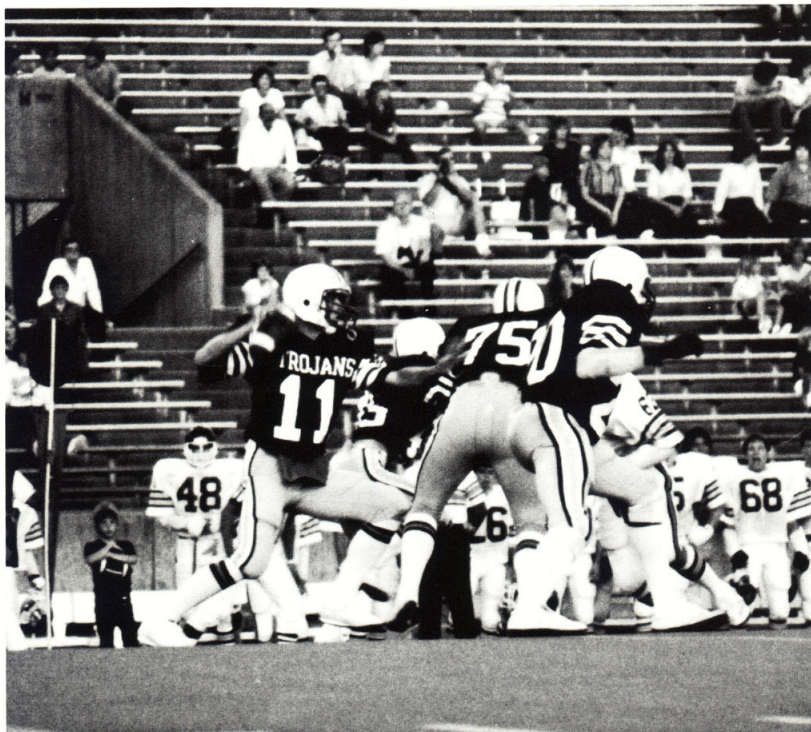
South Houston Opponents

14-16	Alief Hastings
6-12	Springwoods
14-10	Stratford
7-21	Baytown Lee
17-0	Deer Park
30-7	Pasadena
14-35	Baytown Sterling
28-20	Northshore
14-17	Sam Rayburn
16-10	Dobie





Above: Preparing to throw a pass, senior Steve Stone stands alone in the pocket. **Above right:** Searching for an open receiver, senior Steve Stone avoids the rush of the defenders. **Right:** Trying for a completion, junior Scott Donnelly hopes for a first down. **Below right:** Discussing the game plan, Coaches Jim Sawyer, Ron Boudra, and Bill Newcomb await the kickoff. **Below:** Warming up before the game, senior Joel Ortiz carries the ball back to the huddle.





Above left: Sprinting for the outside, sophomore Nic Precella penetrates the Doble secondary. **Above:** Looking for a place to run, senior Joel Ortiz anxiously awaits a block. **Left:** Handing off to senior John Hohenbeck, junior Scott Donnelly leads the team against Springwoods. **Below left:** Receiving a pitch from senior Steve Stone, senior Joel Ortiz sprints for the outside. **Below:** Pacing the field, Coach Bill Newcomb contemplates on the tough game ahead.



Go, Fight, Win . . .



Swinging into action, seniors Julie Glorioso, David Estes, and Susan Graham get the pep rally on the roll.

photo by Brian Walker

and much, much more!

"We had a lot of fun this year; not just in cheering though. We all had a great time all year," reflected senior and co-head varsity football cheerleader David Estes.

Cheerleading went far beyond "Go, Fight, Win." Practices began in early summer every morning at 6. Preparation for football season also included attending a summer camp at Southwest Texas University and a clinic at Pasadena High School.

Their hard work paid off as the squad received many superior ribbons, spirit sticks, and qualified for Awards of Excellence at both camps. At the Pasadena clinic, the squad won the Spirit Award as the other squads attending selected them as most congenial and spirited.

The coming of the football season meant a continuation of the hard work as signs were painted, pep rallies were planned, and after school practices convened

around the gazebo.

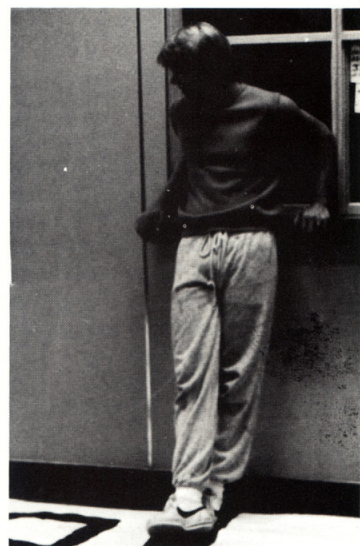
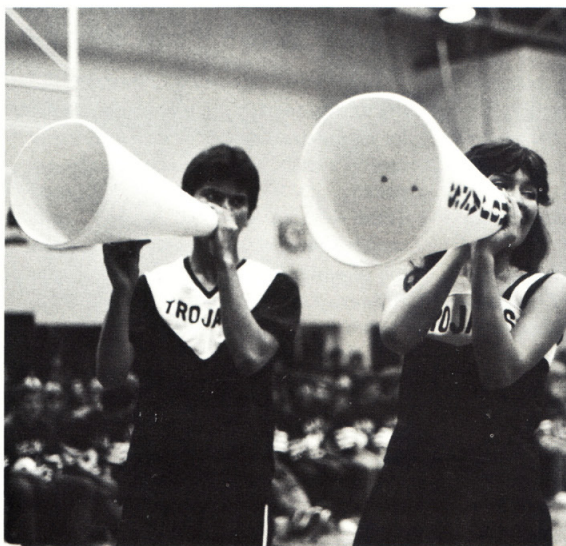
The squad was led by senior and co-heads David Estes and Julie Glorioso, and consisted of seniors Billy Ellis, Michelle Garcia, Susan Graham, and Creed Potter; juniors Denise Hughes and Angie Koehne; and sophomore Matt Loe. The year was long and hard, but the spirited drive that led them to be cheerleaders made it all the more enjoyable.

Billy Ellis

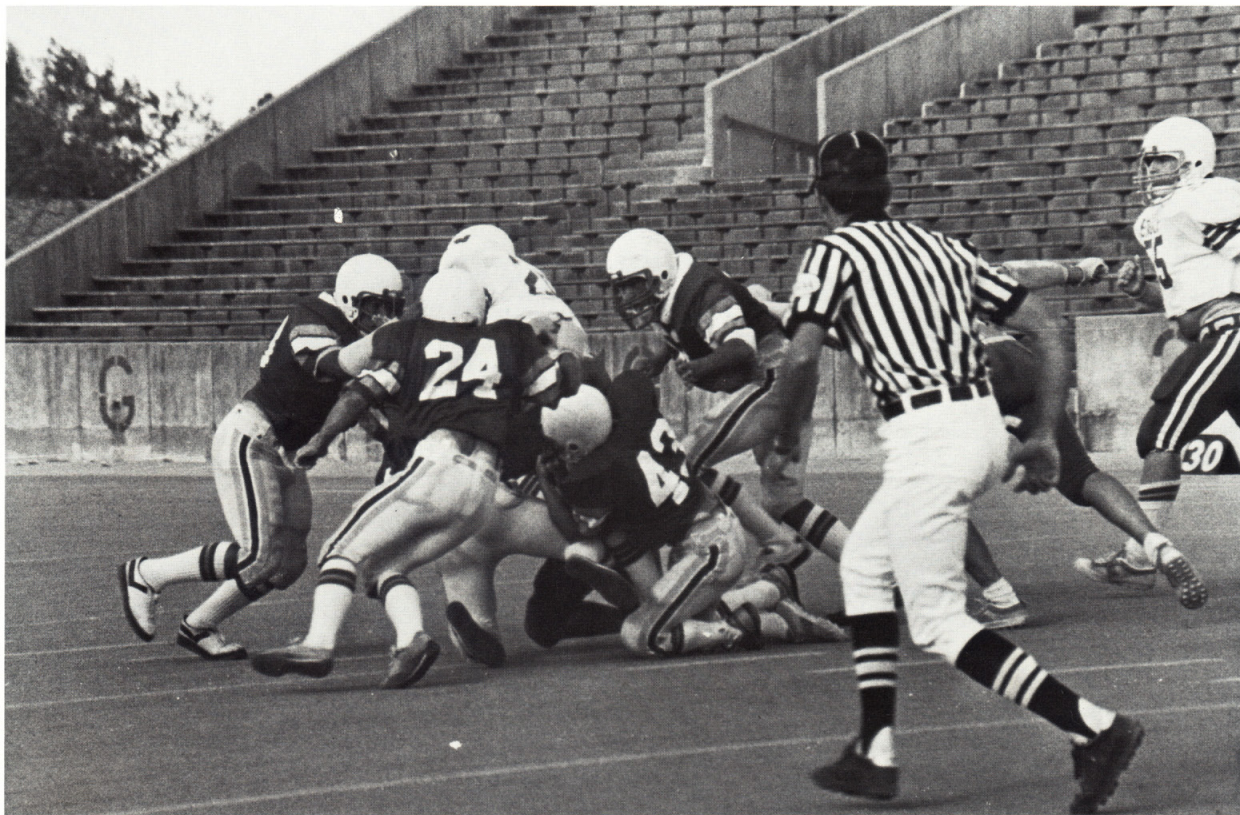
F.B. CHEERLEADERS



Above left: Showing their spirit, seniors Julie Glorioso, Susan Graham, and Michelle Garcia perform various cheers at the Lee game. **Above:** Stretching before the game, seniors Billy Ellis, David Estes, and Creed Potter prepare for the game. **Far left:** Preparing for a stunt, seniors Michelle Garcia and Creed Potter await their start. **Left:** Sophomore Matt Loe and junior Denise Hughes prepare the Gazebo for the pep rally. **Below left:** At the Baytown Lee pep rally, junior Angie Koehne explodes with spirit. **Below middle:** Leading a cheer, seniors Billy Ellis and Michelle Garcia get the crowd motivated. **Below:** Taking a break from sign painting, senior Creed Potter watches the others finish.



Leadership inspires team



Swarming in, the Trojan defense tackles a hapless Eagle.

photo by Steve Perry

ju rallies after sluggish start

After a disappointing sophomore season of 1-9 in 1982, the ju team rallied in 1983 to a 5-5 record under the leadership of junior quarterbacks Danny Hoff and Pete Russo.

The ju got off to a slow start, but later won four consecutive games. Ju Head Coach Mike Gardner said, "After a slow start, the team image changed drastically. After the first two games, they were just as much fun to be around as any we've had here."

The ju's main powerhouse was sopho-

more Nick Precella. He was moved up to the varsity toward the end of the season for his outstanding performance on the ju level. Precella said, "I wasn't really expecting it. The varsity is different. There's a lot of hard hitting." Nick credited most of his success on the ju to the offensive line including juniors Steve Brewer, Les Lawton, and John May, freshman Jason Foreman, sophomores Jeff Neal, and Pat Rodriguez. "I really enjoyed playing with the offensive line that I had. Their blocking was great,"

Precella added.

Coach Gardner and Coach Jimmy Sawyer believed, "That this season was a tremendous turnaround from their sophomore season. The running game was excellent and the passing was adequate enough to get us out of a spot when we needed it. This ju team most definitely has potential for the varsity. With good off-season and returning players to the varsity, they could be great next year."

David McLendon

FOOTBALL

Jr. Varsity 5-5

South Houston	Opponent
11-19	Alief Hastings
3-12	Springwoods
13-6	Stratford
22-14	Baytown Lee
43-6	Deer Park
37-0	Pasadena
28-29	Baytown Sterling
15-21	Northshore
13-14	Rayburn
13-6	Dobie

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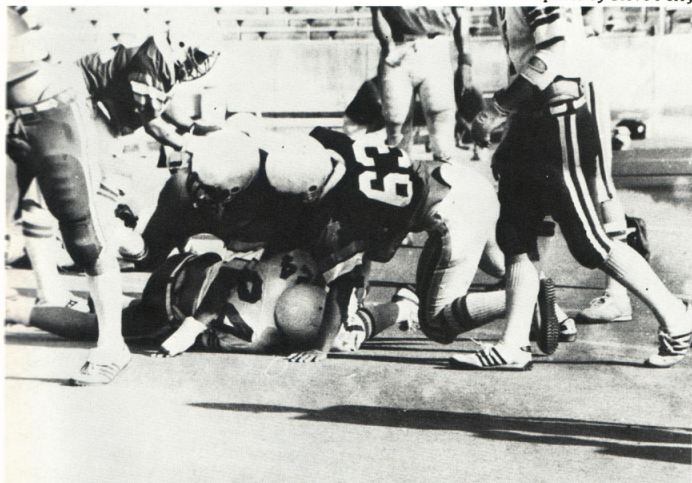


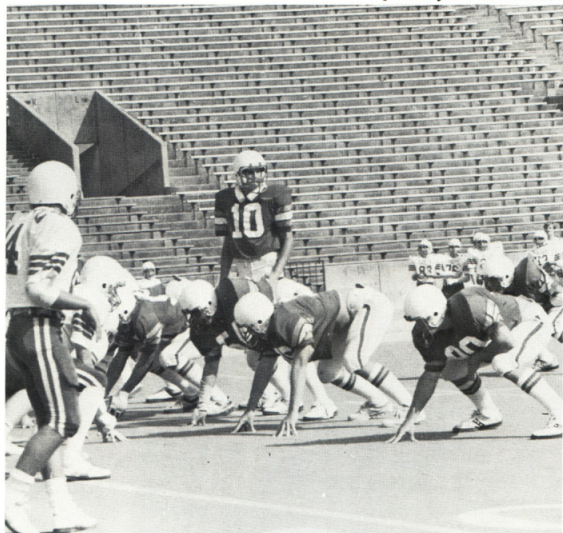
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Above: Juniors Robert Alcaraz and Chris Canales with sophomore Jason Foreman await the attack. **Above Left:** All Trojans to the ball as a Texan gets rolled around. **Left:** Juniors Alcaraz, Jerry Dove, Dean Holtke, Morris Marquez, and Anthony Smith await the movement of the ball. **Below Left:** After stopping an Eagle back, Marquez and teammate prepare to return to the huddle. **Below:** Junior quarterback Danny Holl inspects his line before taking the snap.

photo by Sharon Shanker



Trainers play key role



Assisting Dr. Hicks, the team doctor, with an injured player is senior Glenn Maples.

photo by Greg Carillo

tend to athletic injuries

An old cheer once said, "We got the coach, team, pep, and steam," but it was obviously written before trainers became a vital part of the sports scene. South Houston's trainers were a very important part of the athletic club. The trainers helped the football, baseball, and basketball teams, coaches and players with the equipment and with any of the injuries the players had. "They were responsible for getting athletes on the field and made my job much easier," reflected Coach

Jeff Cherry, the coach in charge of the trainers. "I really appreciate the job they did."

The trainers were senior Glenn Maples, juniors David Tansey, Chris Crews, and sophomores Kirk Upton, and Mike Scaggs. Trainers' camp, attended by Tansey, played an important part in teaching him the duties of being a trainer. He learned how to wrap knees, and ankles. In addition, what treatment was needed for wrist injuries and any other

first aid that might be needed was learned.

Chris Crews said, "I felt it helped me a lot to be a trainer because I made many friends and learned first aid."

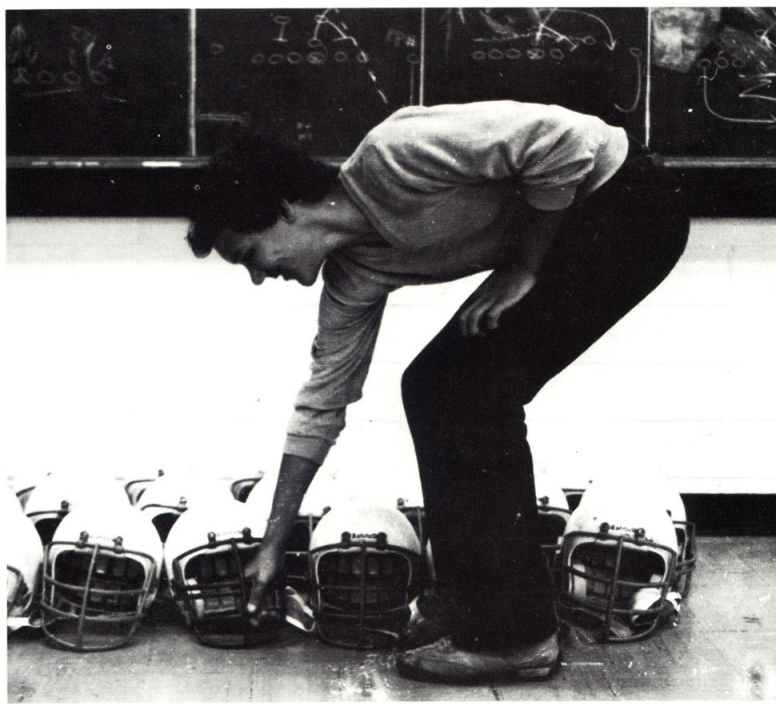
The trainers have helped the coaches and athletes, but they also helped themselves. David Tansey concluded, "I really liked being a trainer because it helped me make a lot of friends and I like helping people."

Rhonda Millin

TRAINERS



Above: Taking a leisurely walk on the field are juniors Chris Crews, David Tansey, and sophomore Mike Scaggs. **Top right:** Taking time to inspect the interior of a helmet is junior Richard Munson. **Center:** Providing senior Frank Garcia with a thirst quencher is sophomore Mike Scaggs. **Below:** Setting up the equipment for an after school practice is junior David Tansey and sophomore Mike Scaggs. **Bottom right:** Picking up another helmet to work on is senior Ron Marvin.



photos by John Sullivan

Workhorse freshmen break even



The sophomore defensive team awaits the opponents offensive surge.

photo by Bobby Hasson

slow start saps sophomores

Their seasons were full of high points and low points. While playing in the shadow of the unexpected success of the varsity, the freshman and sophomore football teams played their seasons in relative obscurity; observed only by parents and coaches. While parents watched for the obvious parental pride, the coaches watched in order to evaluate the players for future service on the varsity team.

The freshman season was one full of mixed reviews. Playing to a 9-10-1 overall record (red 4-6, white 5-4-1), the team showed flashes of tremendous ability. Led by strong efforts from freshmen Craig Smith, Jack Salter, Shannon Cole, and Bobby Balch, the freshman teams im-

proved as the season advanced.

"They gave a good effort for most of the season," Freshman Coach Jimmy Crane said, "They saw improvement in themselves and that caused them to work harder."

As for the sophomores, the season was completely different. Finishing with a record of 2-7-1, the players gave it a good shot, but just could not manage more victories.

Sophomore Robby Hasson felt that basically, "We were a good team . . . with a tremendous amount of athletic ability."

Starting off slow, the team managed to gain some credibility before the season ended. Their two victories came over Baytown Lee and Pasadena with the tie

against Sam Rayburn.

"We had the people and the skill to be very good," sophomore Ricky Gusler volunteered, "But we just didn't have the desire or the will."

Sophomore Brandt Hilger concurred, "... we had a lack of mental discipline. We needed to have a better mental attitude."

According to Sophomore Coach Ron Boudra, "A lot of players had the opportunity to play who had not had the chance before." By the time next year rolls around, I would say about a half-dozen of these players will have the chance to make varsity."

John Royal

FOOTBALL

Sophomore 2-7-1

South Houston	Opponent
0-34	Hastings
0-25	Springwoods
0-14	Stratford
14-7	Baytown Lee
26-27	Dobie
20-14	Pasadena
0-34	Sterling
7-19	Northshore
6-6	Rayburn
0-21	Dobie



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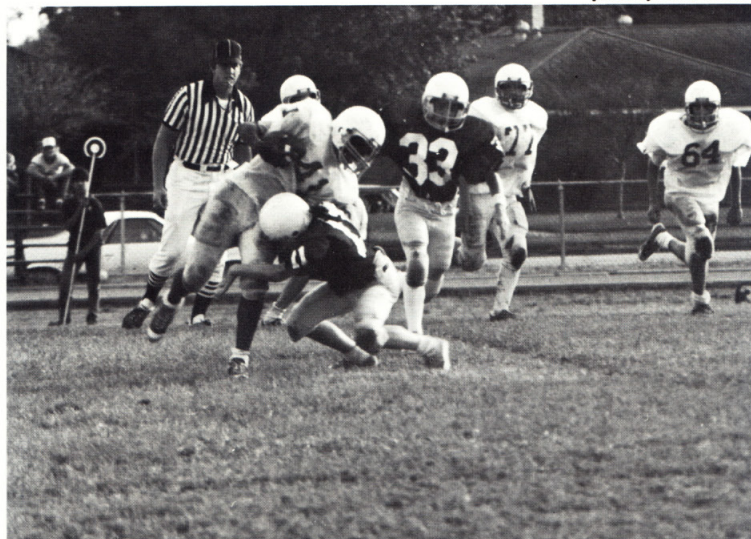


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Freshman Red 4-6

South Houston	Opponent
11-7	Alief Hastings
13-6	Springwoods
0-40	Stratford
0-13	Baytown Lee
12-28	Deer Park
20-7	Pasadena
7-28	Baytown Sterling
20-0	Northshore
9-12	Rayburn
0-47	Dobie

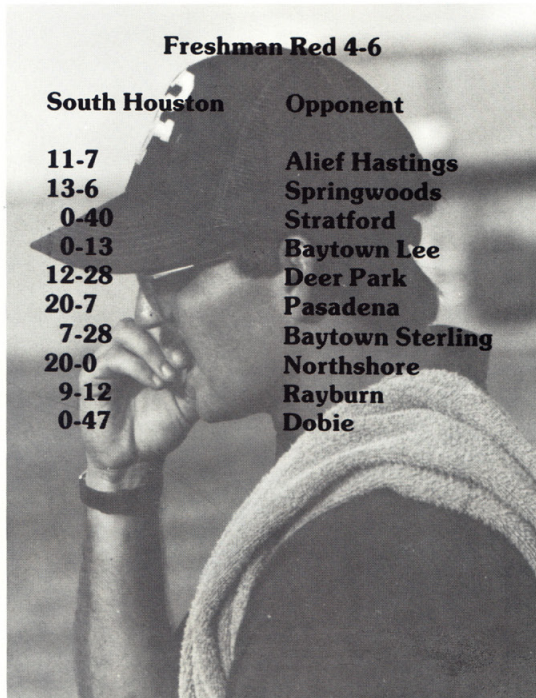


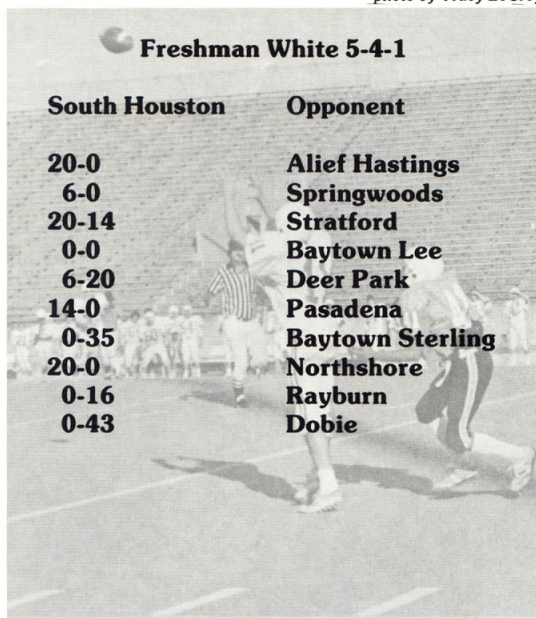
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Top left: Looking for a receiver, freshman quarterback Scott Ahlgrimm prepares to unload a pass. **Above:** Concentrating intently on the next play, Head Freshman Coach Jimmy Crane bites his nails. **Left:** A Longhorn takes a hit to the abdomen by freshman Marc Chapman (11) as freshman Ronnie Howell comes to assist. **Below:** Defending a pass, sophomore Bryan Boyette (41) awaits the interception. **Below left:** Swarming in on a Dobie running back, freshman Jamie Sotis (21) holds on for the tackle.

photo by Tracy LeCroy

Freshman White 5-4-1

South Houston	Opponent
20-0	Alief Hastings
6-0	Springwoods
20-14	Stratford
0-0	Baytown Lee
6-20	Deer Park
14-0	Pasadena
0-35	Baytown Sterling
20-0	Northshore
0-16	Rayburn
0-43	Dobie



Cross-country goes the distance



Fighting the elements, the cross-country team prepares for upcoming meets.

Gonzalez, Braly qualify for state

It was a season filled with both team and individual triumphs.

At regional competition, the team showed their excellence on several occasions. They placed second in the Clear Lake Invitational, third at the La Porte Invitational, and fourth at the Clear Creek Invitational.

After finishing second in the 23-5A District Meet, they advanced to the Regional Meet. They then proceeded to place fifth out of 18 teams.

One of the runners, senior Enrique

Gonzalez, established himself as one of the top runners in the district by winning several individual championships. He further distinguished himself by winning the District Meet and by finishing ninth in the Regional Meet. Out of 120 of the state's best runners, Gonzalez finished 28th at the State Meet.

Also advancing in individual competition was senior Mike Braly. Although he suffered all throughout the season, Braly finished high in several meets and placed fifth at the Regional Meet. He also

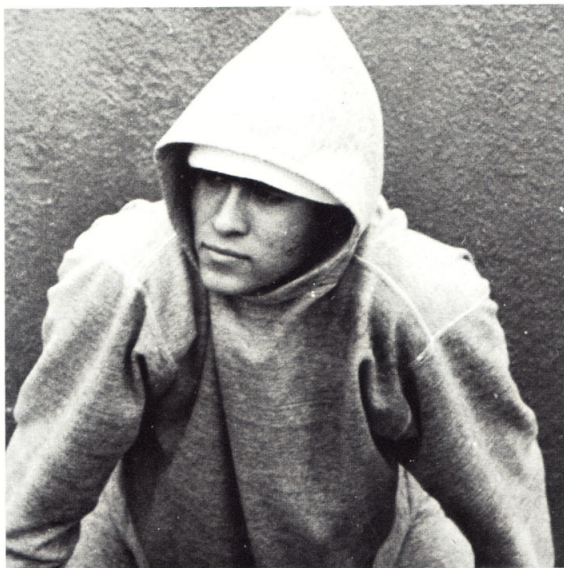
distinguished himself in the State Meet.

Coach Charles Goehring also sited sophomore John Holmes as a fine runner. "John established himself as one of the top sophomore runners in the area," he said.

Reflecting upon the season as a whole, Coach Goehring explained, "This group of athletes distinguished themselves both as a team and individually."

John Royal

CROSS-COUNTRY



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Above left: Stretching before practice, senior Ricky Gonzales prepares for his daily workout. **Above:** Hours of running dominates the cross-country team as they push one another for better results. **Bottom left:** The team listens to Coach Charles Goehring as he gives instructions. **Bottom:** Preparing himself mentally, senior Mike Braly readies for a cross-country meet.



Hoopsters suffer rocky season



Winning the tip-off is junior James McSpadden.

photo by John Sullivan

high hopes, optimism prevail

It was a case of too little too late. It was frustrating, disheartening, but it happened.

Hopes of bettering last season's 14 wins and 16 losses were dashed as the Boys' Varsity Trojan Basketball team was saddled with 21 losses and 8 wins (4 wins and 10 losses in district).

Even though the 1983-84 season had been rocky for the varsity players, the team and coaches did not give up. "I am helped by a respectable team that has a

lot of pride," said Head Coach Greg Clary. Senior Steve Stone complimented the coaching, "The coaches taught us the right way . . ."

"Coach Clary is really a fine man and inspires us during a game as well as in practice," concluded senior Robert Kolakowski.

Opening the schedule with a win over Pearland, the Trojans envisioned numerous victories. Their visions of success turned to nightmarish losses. But

hopes and optimism prevailed. "We had good intentions on making our team a successful and hard team to compete with," said Kolakowski.

Finally getting on track, the cagers ended the season with four victories. This surge of success provided a positive outlook. "Next year's team should take it all the way if they work hard," said senior Tim Dungan.

James Richardson

BASKETBALL



photo by Joel Ortiz



photo by John Sullivan



photo by Joel Ortiz

Varsity 4-10	
South Houston	Opponent
43-61	Baytown Lee
35-39	Deer Park
31-35	Pasadena
48-65	Baytown Sterling
54-45	Northshore
63-49	Rayburn
48-46	Dobie
56-43	Baytown Lee
42-43	Deer Park
33-34	Pasadena
36-62	Baytown Sterling
38-52	Northshore
45-49	Rayburn
50-63	Dobie

photo by John Sullivan

Above left: With outstretched arms, senior Robert Kolakowski watches his shot. **Center left:** Pushing upward to the goal with a jump shot is senior James Simmons. **Below left:** Playing with intensity, junior James McSpadden lands a well-done lay up. **Above:** Watching his players, Coach Greg Clary silently plans for a victory in the Summit. **Below:** Looking for an opening in the Texan Defense is senior Tim Dungan.



photo by John Sullivan

Spirit dazzles SoHo



Rehearsing before game-time at the Summit, members of the junior varsity and varsity basketball cheerleading squads practice a cheer.

photo by John Sullivan

rah rah's rally all!

Integrating determination, leadership, and teamwork, the South Houston junior varsity and varsity basketball cheerleaders accomplished some admirable feats. The road to success, however, was not met without hard work; these girls spent gruelling long hours preparing for their games.

Led by senior head cheerleader Sheela Shankar were junior varsity squad members juniors Tammy Hurd, Shelley Manning and Jana White, and sophomores Tracey Ehrhardt, and Laurie Turner.

The varsity basketball cheerleaders included senior head cheerleader Shannon Brinegar, juniors Andrea Davis, Sue

Henderson, Michelle Hicks, Sharon Ojeda, and Donna Van Natter, as well as sophomore Catherine Lively.

Faced with getting acquainted and coordinating the group, the JV girls spent early summer mornings practicing jumps and cheers. To further improve their skills, the JV cheerleaders attended Universal Cheerleading Association camp in San Marcos and a National Cheerleading Association Camp at Pasadena High School. For their grand efforts and improvement these girls won several ribbons, spirit sticks, and were named Most Improved Squad at UCA.

The Varsity Basketball squad's achievements were numerous as well.

The daily 5:30-7:15 a.m. summer practices paid off as the girls captured various superior ribbons and a spirit stick at UCA. Moreover, the girls were selected as Most Improved Squad.

Their successes should not overshadow the behind-the-scenes efforts of the squads. The girls spent many after school hours painting signs, baking treats, and decorating lockers in addition to their practice time.

This was cheerleading like only SoHo could produce. The girls proved that their strengths, leadership, and talents were certainly a factor in promoting Trojan Spirit.

Joaquin Casamayor

CHEERLEADERS



photo by Brian Walker



Above left: Spotting a stunt, sophomore Laurie Turner and junior Shelley Manning flip junior Sue Henderson. **Above:** Working on an unusual ending, junior Andrea Davis practices at the Summit. **Left:** Cheering during a timeout, juniors Michelle Hicks, Donna Van Natter, and Sharon Ojeda try to raise spirit. **Below left:** During the "Surf over Baytown" pep rally, junior Sharon Ojeda, sophomore Catherine Lively, and senior Sheela Shankar enjoy the outside activities. **Below:** Preparing for a cheer, sophomore Laurie Turner and juniors Shelley Manning and Michelle Hicks await a cue.

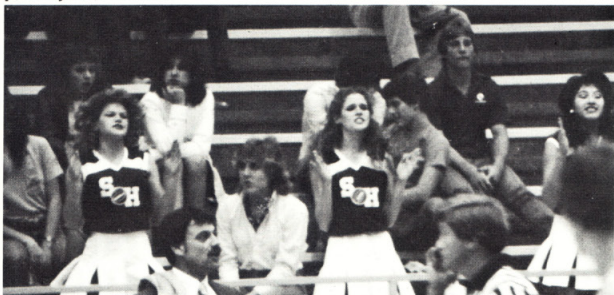


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Cagers mix successes



Beginning his free throw, junior Richard Cardenas eyes the basket.

photo by Steve Perry

teams shine in tournaments

Most high school students seemed to place all of their sporting emphasis on the varsity teams. Most of the time, this forced the underclass into the background where they were completely forgotten by the student populace.

Thus, when the Trojan Varsity Basketball Team failed to perform like Phi Slamma Jamma, the underclass teams found themselves virtually forgotten. But exist they did, and for the jv, sophomore, and freshmen basketball teams, there were several reasons for which to be heard.

Opening with a 76-38 runaway victory over Pearland, the jv team used that momentum to compile a 16-14 overall record with 8 wins and 6 losses in district

play and a second place finish. The jv also won the Consolation Championship at the Pasadena jv Tournament and the third place trophy at the Clear Creek jv Tournament.

As for the sophomore team, the news was not quite as good. The team finished with a record of 8 wins and 14 losses. Leading a well balanced scoring attack, James Holcomb had an average of 14 points per game. Even though the record was a disappointment, sophomore coach Gary Briley felt that, "These young men represented South Houston with great desire and an honorable record."

Finally, bringing up the rear, were the freshmen. It was just like Jeckyl and

Hyde. Finishing third in district play, the freshmen A team also had a second place at the Pearland Tournament and had the finest record by a SoHo freshmen team in five years. Coach Carl McNabb felt they had, "Much to be proud of, they had earned respect across the district..." That was the Jeckyl half, the B team provided the Hyde. Finishing with a 1 and 22 record, the team obviously had a trying season. According to Coach Andy Stewart, the one bright spot was captain Raymond Flores who set a scoring record with 28 points against Northshore. "Excellent hustle was demonstrated during the season by Shane Parker and Weldon Tate," he concluded.

BASKETBALL

Jr. Varsity 8-6

South Houston	Opponent
54-42	Baytown Lee
53-48	Deer Park
47-24	Pasadena
35-74	Baytown Sterling
36-26	Northshore
57-52	Rayburn
41-49	Dobie
50-47	Baytown Lee
55-54	Deer Park
52-61	Pasadena
39-52	Baytown Sterling
31-43	Northshore
47-49	Rayburn
69-59	Dobie

photo by Steve Perry

Sophomore 3-11

South Houston	Opponent
41-70	Baytown Lee
41-54	Deer Park
44-39	Pasadena
42-72	Baytown Sterling
39-44	Northshore
41-48	Rayburn
53-57	Dobie
46-64	Baytown Lee
42-57	Deer Park
44-50	Pasadena
37-47	Baytown Sterling
61-56	Northshore
70-68	Rayburn
61-75	Dobie

photo by Steve Perry

Above: Racing toward the net for a rebound are juniors David Coleman and George Gonzalez (20). **Below:** Passing the ball over his opponents is junior George Gonzalez.

Above: Outstretched over his opponent on a jumpshot is junior Richard Cardenas. **Below:** Receiving a pass is sophomore Joe Clark.

Freshman Red 8-6

South Houston	Opponent
38-57	Baytown Lee
43-60	Deer Park
56-69	Pasadena
66-52	Baytown Sterling
63-53	Northshore
48-37	Rayburn
53-44	Dobie
60-64	Baytown Lee
50-53	Deer Park
54-39	Pasadena
53-51	Baytown Sterling
57-59	Northshore
51-48	Rayburn
72-67	Dobie

photo by Steve Perry

Freshman White 0-14

South Houston	Opponent
35-67	Baytown Lee
32-62	Deer Park
35-73	Pasadena
39-53	Baytown Sterling
49-51	Northshore
48-53	Rayburn
34-50	Dobie
35-61	Baytown Lee
39-54	Deer Park
35-59	Pasadena
33-62	Baytown Sterling
22-52	Northshore
25-75	Rayburn
50-54	Dobie

photo by Mrs. Rosalea Watts

Young netters need seasoning



With a sly grin, senior Jeff Jenkins returns a shot into the net.

two seniors qualify for regionals

"We had a very young team. In fact, all of the girls and all but two of the guys will be returning," said Coach Brian White referring to the tennis team.

"Although the team had an unsuccessful season, there were individuals that had some good showings," he continued.

Last year's varsity players were sophomore Lorie Birdsong and junior Pat Benet, who played number one girl's and boy's singles, and sophomores Connie Guerria, Elisa Trevino, Todd Taylor, John Pollard; juniors Deniece Mooring, Rhonda Millin, Tessa May, Jim Cogdell, Kevin

Foster, and seniors Jeff Jenkins and Orlando Chavez rounded out the team.

Jenkins and Chavez began playing doubles during the spring season. They surprised many of their opponents and won most of their matches. In district, they put on their best show to place second and qualify for regionals.

Mooring and Millin played number one girl's doubles. During the season, they reached the finals of the Alvin Tournament, and made it to the quarterfinals in district.

Sophomore Angie Crockett beat many good players to win fourth place in the JV

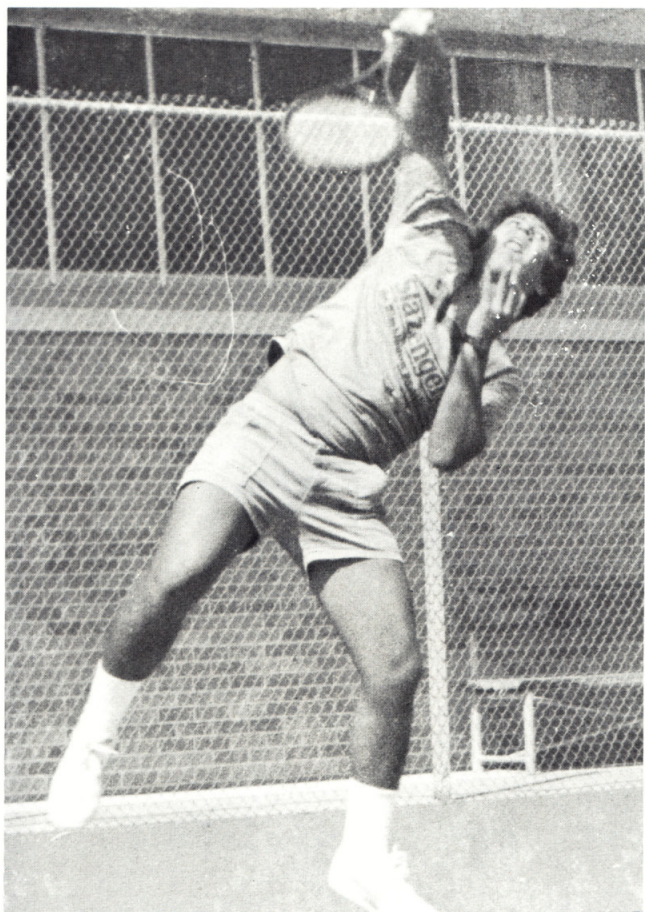
district.

Although the freshmen had few wins, they worked very hard. "The freshmen improved throughout the year," emphasized Coach White. "Hopefully, they can make a significant contribution by the time they become varsity players."

"This year may not have been our greatest year, but I feel next year will see a much better and much improved team. There is much team spirit and this will really help us," concluded sophomore Todd Taylor.

John Royal

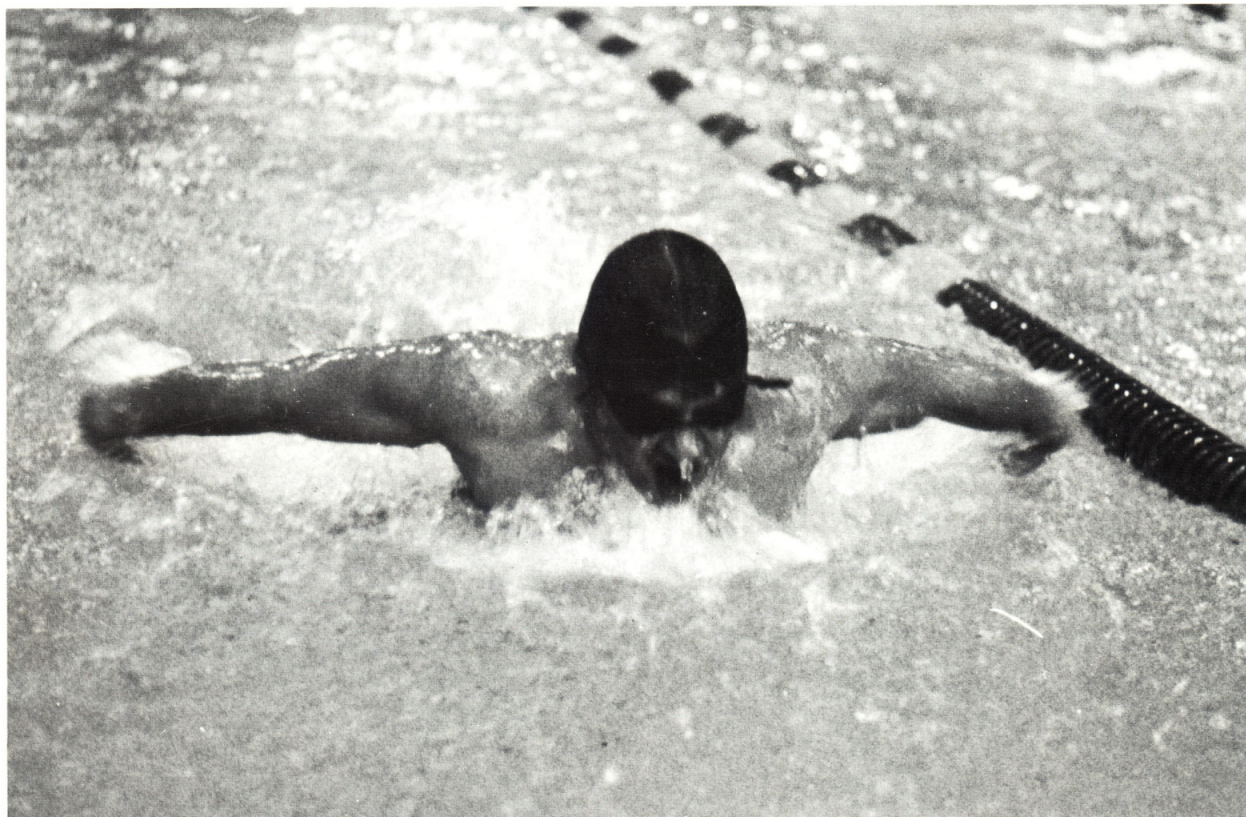
TENNIS



Left: With a powerful serve, senior Orlando Chavez slams the ball to his opponent. **Above:** Watching junior Rhonda Millin hit her forehand, sophomore Joe Pollard prepares for the next shot. **Below left:** Swinging through his backhand, senior Orlando Chavez returns a shot during a match at Strawberry Park. **Below:** Returning a short ball, senior Jeff Jenkins hustles to save a shot.



Divin' down into district



Using the breaststroke, senior Rod Davis powers to the finish line.

Trojan swimmers stay afloat

Ever since the dawn of time, man had been interested in water. For millions of years, man had played around in the water having a jolly good time.

Time passed and man began participating in a water sport known as swimming.

In 1984, several members of South Houston High School were publicly known to have participated in this endeavor.

The swim team was an important division of the South Houston High School

sport's structure. Though the existing members were high school students, the team found itself working out of Southmore Intermediate's pool. The team was captained by senior Rod Davis and junior Jael Capper. It was coached by Ivy Hyatt, Mike Nale, and Tom Loftus. Mr. Loftus was the diving coach, and when South Houston was at a meet, he was in charge.

The swim team contained 23 members, 14 of whom were on varsity. The District Meet was held at Baytown

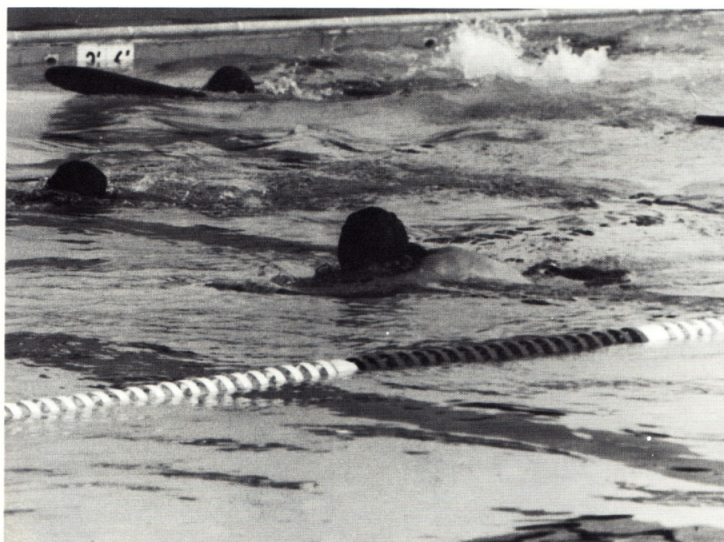
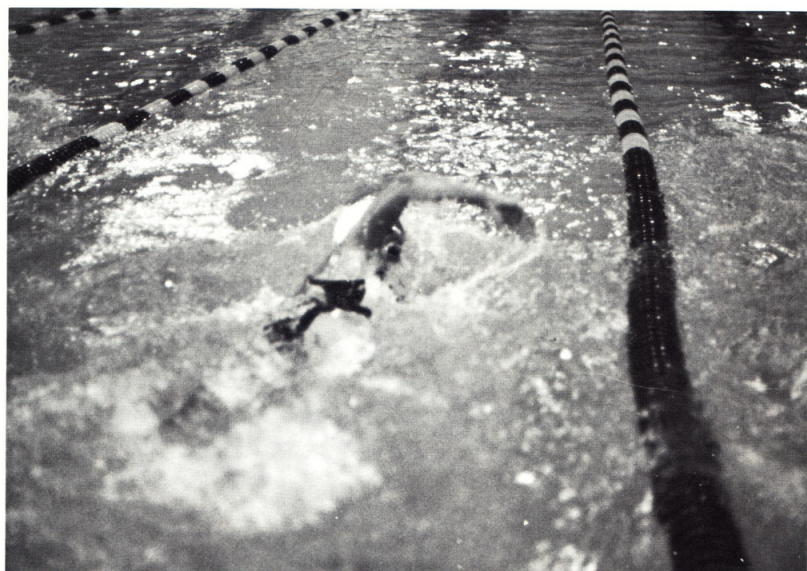
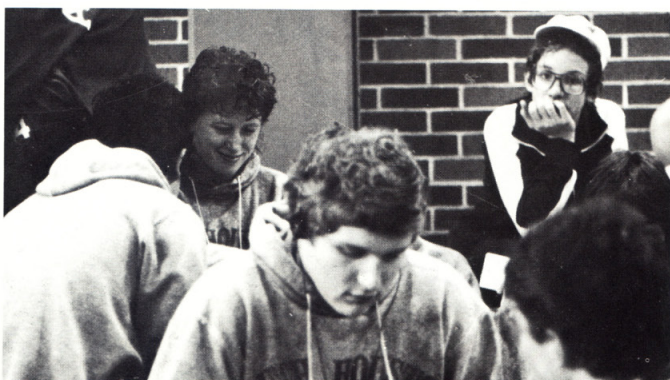
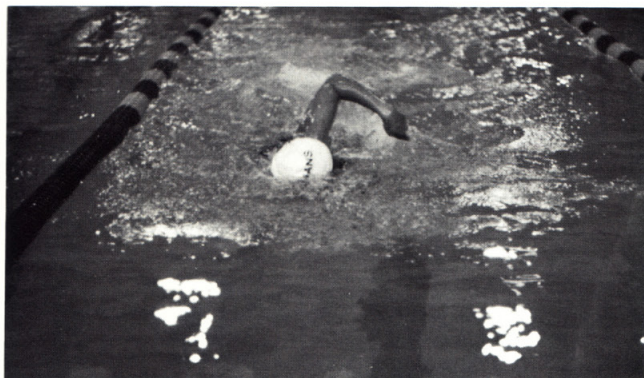
Sterling and a number of the swimmers placed in the top six. Those members ended up going to the Regional Meet at the University of Houston, but none of them placed in the top six.

As senior Amy Bauser reflected on the season, she stressed the positive points, "We won more than we lost and we had a lot of fun."

Junior and co-captain Jael Capper backed her up, "The fun was contagious and the season was enjoyable."

John Royal

SWIMMING



Top left: Breaking through the peaceful water, junior Shannon Beeman perfects her style. **Top right:** After a rigorous workout, junior Andrew Collins relaxes with his fellow swimmers. **Middle left:** With precision and high degree of concentration, diver Jeff Kuebler heads for blue. **Middle right:** Pouring on the steam, junior Shannon Beeman practices her freestyle. **Left:** With his eyes under the blue, a swimmer works on his kick.

photos by Greg Carrillo and Heather Roberson

A putt above the rest



After following through, senior Rusty Phillips watches his driving shot.

talent abounds on greens

SoHo's Golf Team may have had little recognition, but they had many promising and very talented golfers. "I feel the golf team has a lot of enthusiasm this year and it really helped the team," commented senior Rusty Phillips.

The team had four returning lettermen. They were juniors Al Hewitt, Paul Hartwell, James McSpadden and Doug Davis. These golfers spent most of their time practicing on the golf course at Ellington. After working for so long, the

golfers expected to be close contenders for the District 23-5A champs. "The hard work that the members of the golf team have done for the past years will finally pay off," reflected junior Doug Davis.

For the second year in a row, the golf program had a girls' team. Seniors Tricia Moreno, Rebecca Maddux, Karen Thomas, and Denise Mills were all returning members. There were also four new members. They were juniors Terri

Moreno, sophomores Annette Keefner, and Andrea Veatch.

The golfers worked hard and concentrated on improvement of their skills. Junior Al Hewitt said, "Coach Neal really expected a lot out of us this year and I believe we did good, but next year I feel we will do even better." With all the enthusiasm and hard work, SoHo's golfers had an extremely successful season.

Rhonda Millin

GOLF



Above left: Displaying her perfect form, senior Tricia Moreno drives toward the green. **Above middle:** Pacing the Varsity Boys' Golf Team, junior Al Hewitt putts for birdie. **Above right:** Preparing to tee off, sophomore Andrea Veatch searches for a favorable spot to place her ball. **Left:** Watching the flight of her ball, senior Rebecca Maddux hopes for the best. **Below:** Discussing course rules with the opposing golfers and an official, senior Denise Mills prepares for tournament play.



photos by Brian Walker

Cindermen send two to state



Preparing to vault, senior Brett Gilbreath measures the distance.

photo by Ms. Roaslea Watts

seniors pace team in district, regionals

"I felt we had an excellent season even though we did not challenge for the district team championship. We advanced four athletes to the Regional Meet and two to the State Meet," said Varsity Track Coach Mr. Charles Goehring of his 1983-84 Boys' Track team.

There were eight seniors that were on the team. These were Mike Braly, district runner-up in 3200 meter run and advance to regionals; Brett Gilbreath,

district runner-up and regional pole vault champion, advance to state; Enrique Gonzalez also made it to state and was district and regional champion in the 1600 meter run. Senior James Richardson won the long jump in district and placed second in the high jump. Mike Easley, senior, placed fourth in the shotput at district.

Seniors Tim Lary, Joel Ortiz, Richard Penny, and Raul Garcia all had good

showings and helped the team immensely.

In addition to the graduating seniors, there were many lettermen who would return for the 1984-85 season in hopes of a successful season.

Junior James York concluded, "I felt this past year was a great year, but with more practice we can make 1985 an even better season."

Rhonda Millin

TRACK



photo by Ms. Rosalea Watts



photo by James Watts



photo by James Watts



photo by James Watts



photo by James Watts

Top left: Executing a perfect handoff to junior John Smith is junior Pat Ahlgrimm. **Center left:** Clearing his 6'6" attempt is senior James Richardson. **Bottom left:** Exerting full thrust in the shot put is senior Mike Easley. **Above:** Overtaking the rest of the pack is senior Mike Braly. **Below:** Striding it out is senior Richard Penny.

End snuffs sizzling start



photo by Ruben Trevino

Shadowing batter Steve Stone (5), senior Paul Atkins (8), awaits his turn at bat.

six make all-district teams

Throughout most of the 1983-84 season, the Trojan Varsity Baseball team was fighting a fierce battle to win first place. Owing to a total team effort, the Trojans finished their season with an 8-6 district and a 17-7 overall record. However, in the end, they were forced to settle for third place.

"The team overall was a lot stronger and had much dedication," expressed senior Joe Duron.

Coach Mike Gardner and his players had the right ingredients in positive attitudes, team dedication, and above-average skills. All of these areas contributed to a near district title and overall successful season. "The boys have a lot to be proud of and they are certainly not losers," said Coach Gardner.

Concluding each sporting season was the choosing of the district's best athletes for that particular sport. From SoHo

chosen to the first team in district was catcher and senior Steve Stone; pitcher and senior Brett Gilbreath; second base and senior Joe Duron; and to the second team in district was first base and senior Ben Pardo; outfield and senior Tim Dungan and honorable mention to outfielder and senior Tim Hiarker.

Sharon Ojeda

BASEBALL



photo by Ruben Trevino



photo by Ms. Rosalea Watts



photo by Ruben Trevino

Varsity 8-6	
South Houston	Opponent
6-2	Baytown Lee
5-4	Deer Park
6-0	Pasadena
11-5	Baytown Sterling
1-3	Northshore
5-11	Rayburn
10-4	Dobie
4-5	Baytown Lee
5-9	Deer Park
19-5	Pasadena
0-6	Baytown Sterling
1-9	Northshore
2-1	Rayburn
6-3	Dobie

photo by Ruben Trevino

Top left: Awaiting the outcome of his pitch, senior Brett Gilbreath falls to the mound. **Center left:** Pausing for a picture, senior Steve Stone gives a grim smile. **Bottom left:** Awaiting the pitch are seniors Ben Pardo and Joe Duron. **Above:** Following through on the pitch is senior Randy Peake. **Below:** After hitting a homerun, senior Joe Duron paces himself across the bases.



photo by Ruben Trevino

Winning 'Boudraball' style



After a successful season, Coach Ron Boudra and his 1984 junior varsity baseball players pose for the photographer.

position power plays key role

Whenever someone went to see a junior varsity baseball game, they would hear about how great "Boudraball" was. With an almost perfect record of 13-5-1 for the season and an 11-2-1 in district, the jv baseballers under the guidance of Coach Ron Boudra, won the City Championship.

"Anytime your team wins a district championship, of course you feel good. I feel that this team has a good chance of getting even better. Their effort will be needed when they reach district varsity

competition," boasted Coach Boudra.

The team's big success was contributed to having strong players in every position. Some of the most outstanding players were sophomores Rodney Crutcher, Ken Mayberry, and freshmen Bubba Shepherd, and Derek Munz in pitching. The best hitters were Crutcher (.343), Mayberry (.333), and sophomore Rob Green (.292).

Sophomores Dino Magliolio, second base; Rick Gusler, short stop; Rick Caranza, third base; freshman Craig Smith,

catcher; and junior Steve Glash, center-field were considered the outstanding outfielders.

"I felt that our team had a lot of team spirit and confidence to help us win the championship," said Magliolio.

Coach Boudra wished each of the members on the team good luck and felt that they would be an asset to the varsity team. He concluded, "The team had great players and are willing to work hard which made them a champion team!"

Rhonda Millin

Baseball




Junior Varsity 11-2-1	
South Houston	Opponent
5-3	Baytown Lee
5-2	Deer Park
9-6	Pasadena
2-1	Baytown Sterling
3-2	Northshore
6-1	Rayburn
12-11	Dobie
12-2	Baytown Lee
9-2	Deer Park
6-6	Pasadena
2-3	Baytown Sterling
4-0	Northshore
6-1	Rayburn
4-10	Dobie

Above left: Fouling the ball, sophomore Pat Doyle takes a second strike. **Mid-**
dle: Following through on his swing, freshman Bubba Shepherd gets a hit against
 Baytown Sterling. **Below left:** Waiting to bat, sophomore Ken Mayberry thinks
 about getting a hit. **Above:** Watching his team, Assistant Coach Jimmy Sawyer
 hopes for the best. **Below:** Coaching third base, Coach Ron Boudra anticipates
 the next batter.



Down, but definitely not out



Senior Vanessa White bumps the ball for a set up with senior Tina Richnow for support.

photo by Arthur Perez

positive attitudes overshadow defeats

The crowd roared with excitement; the cheerleaders jumped up and down while trying to encourage the team to victory. The game was played on a court 60 feet long by 30 feet wide. A net stood over the center of the court, a seemingly insurmountable obstacle. A white ball, at about the same size of a soccer ball, was continuously knocked over the net by the fists of players on either side of the net. For the uninitiated, the above mentioned game was volleyball, one of the many sports South Houston offered.

The varsity team, coached by Mrs. Billie Snelson, and consisting of four seniors and five juniors, jumped off to a good start by winning several practice

games. As the season began, the team found itself getting off to a slow start and by the end of the year, they had won only two games, those coming against Pasadena and Texas City.

"We had a lot of ability and skill, but we just couldn't apply the skills to our games," explained senior Vanessa White. "Our games were never total disasters because we never gave up," she added.

The team practiced long hours, but when the games came they would often find themselves falling behind. Several times during the year, the team fought back, only to lose steam and fall to defeat.

"I guess the pressure was too great

...," Vanessa continued.

"... our season didn't quite turn out as anticipated ..." said senior Tina Richnow.

There were, however, a few bright spots in the midst of all this darkness. The team played in three tournaments, and in two of them, they came within one game of winning the consolation trophy. Junior Leslie Savage also made one All-Tournament team at the P.I.S.D. Tournament.

Senior Tina Richnow summed up the season this way, "... we ... had a lot of fun."

John Royal

VOLLEYBALL



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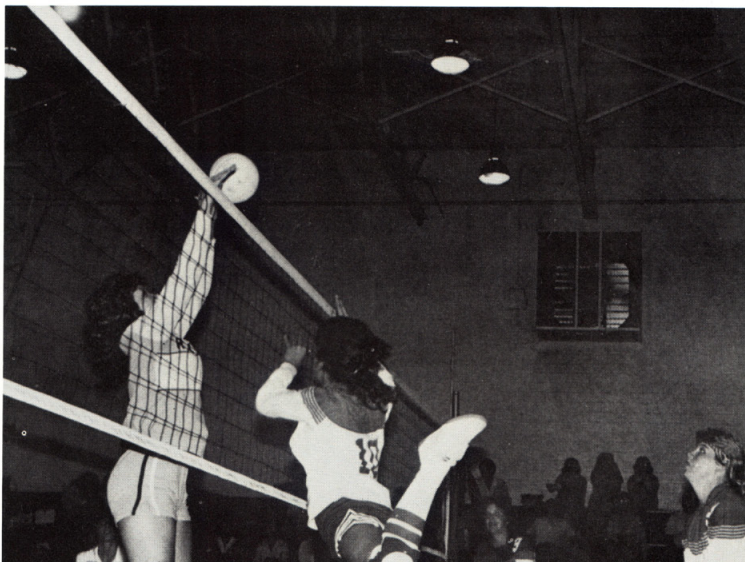


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photo by Brian Walker

Top left: Senior Leslie Savage performs a spike set up by sophomore Jolene Mitchell during practice. **Above:** Senior Leslie Savage attempts to block a Rayburn spike as senior Tina Richnow supports her. **Left:** Junior Sam Mueller practices the motions of a spike with other teammates. **Lower left:** Practicing bumps, teammates take turns. **Below:** Seniors Leslie Savage and Tina Richnow share a well done play.

photo by Arthur Perez

Varsity 2-13

South Houston

Opponent

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Texas City
Baytown Lee
Deer Park
Pasadena
Baytown Sterling
Northshore
Rayburn
Dobie
Baytown Lee
Deer Park
Pasadena
Baytown Sterling
Northshore
Rayburn
Dobie

Volleyballers shine in tourneys



Rising to the occasion, sophomore Jolene Mitchell returns a Dobie hit as sophomore Laura Myer and Angela Hancock look on.

photo by Arthur Perez

improvement boosts teams' morale

Despite their disappointing seasons, both the junior varsity and the freshman team ended their season with victories as they won their last games against the Dobie Longhorns. Freshman Coach, Miss Mert Paben said, "It was the best game we played."

The junior varsity had four wins and ten losses for the season. The junior varsity team also participated in the P.I.S.D. and Clear Lake Tournament in which they placed well. "I don't think we did as good as we could have, but when we worked together it was fun," concluded sophomore Dana Havard. The junior varsity team consisted of mainly sophomores and two freshmen girls. Coaching the

team was Mrs. Billie Snelson.

The freshman team finished with a five wins and nine losses for the season. In the tournaments against Northshore and Pasadena, the girls won consolation and first place respectively.

Miss Paben was proud of the team and their efforts. "I feel the season was a success based on the goals set for freshmen; acquiring a good foundation of basic skills necessary for higher levels of volleyball," said Miss Paben.

Leslie Waldron, freshman and one of the captains of the team said, "This year was a foundation year, we could have done better."

"We could have done better if we had

the confidence in ourselves, we'll have a good year next season," added freshman Monique LaCombe.

Even though the underclass teams suffered in the won and loss column, the girls could maintain a positive attitude toward the upcoming season.

"This group of girls has an excellent chance of doing well because we have depth. Instead of two or three good players we now have up to ten in the same skill bracket. Maturity and experience will help them a great deal," concluded Ms. Paben.

Sylvia Moreno

VOLLEYBALL

Jr. Varsity 4-11

South Houston	Opponent
L	Texas City
L	Baytown Lee
L	Deer Park
W	Pasadena
W	Baytown Sterling
L	Northshore
L	Rayburn
L	Dobie
L	Baytown Lee
L	Deer Park
L	Pasadena
L	Baytown Sterling
W	Northshore
L	Rayburn
W	Dobie



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Above: Preparing to hit a set up by freshman Liza Rojas (46) is freshman Maria Perez. **Top Right:** Moving in to support freshman Dee Brewer and Angela Hancock (20) is sophomore Laura Myer. **Right:** Battling it out with Dobie are sophomores Jolene Mitchell and Laura Myer (10). **Below:** Giving her all, freshman Becky Bailey is on her toes to return the hit. **Below Right:** A coalition of teammates stretch before practice.



photo by Arthur Perez



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Freshman 5-10

South Houston	Opponent
L	Texas City
L	Baytown Lee
L	Deer Park
W	Pasadena
L	Baytown Sterling
W	Northshore
L	Rayburn
L	Dobie
L	Baytown Lee
L	Deer Park
L	Pasadena
W	Baytown Sterling
W	Northshore
L	Rayburn
W	Dobie

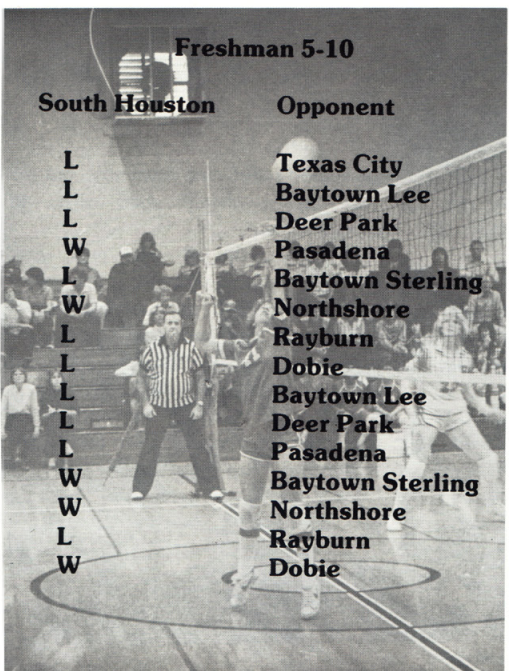


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More than a record



Giving her all is senior Vivian Smith during the tip-off.

photo by Steve Perry

improvements go unnoticed

Basketball was an intense sport that involved constant movement on the part of the player. Whether she was running, jumping, shooting, or rebounding, the sport constantly drained her energy. When the game was over, some players often were on the verge of exhaustion, both physically and mentally. When the player was involved with a losing team, the strain turned out to be too much. For the Girls' '84 Varsity Basketball Team, that turned out to be the case.

"The season record doesn't show our improvement," Coach Debbie Fuchs commented. Indeed, their record did not. The girls finished the season with a

record of 7 wins and 20 losses. Their record of 3 and 11 in district was only good enough for a seventh place finish in district competition.

Yet, the team did not give up without a fight. Practicing hard, they constantly strove to improve in every area of the game, but they just could not get over the hurdle.

"We fell short in minor things that caused us to lose," Ms. Fuchs continued.

Part of the team's trouble stemmed from the fact that the team was full of inexperienced players and did not return a single starter from the previous year. Combined with close calls and bad luck,

the season ended on a down note, but the next season should show signs of improvement.

"Unfortunately, all you see is your season record, but throughout the season my team showed good sportsmanship and acted like ladies on and off the court. I was real proud," Ms. Fuchs concluded as she wrapped up the season.

Junior Tracy LeCroy summed up the season for the players. "Even though our season was not a complete success, I enjoyed it immensely because of the other people involved."

John Royal

BASKETBALL



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photo by Greg Carrillo



photo by Joel Ortiz



South Houston

Opponent

49-68

36-47

44-48

49-72

64-59

45-48

34-48

34-42

33-64

42-30

33-63

53-49

44-45

33-45

Baytown Lee

Deer Park

Pasadena

Baytown Sterling

Northshore

Rayburn

Dobie

Baytown Lee

Deer Park

Pasadena

Baytown Sterling

Northshore

Rayburn

Dobie

photo by Greg Carrillo

Above left: Discussing plans with teammates, juniors Teresa McCrory and Jeanie Jackson is Coach Debbie Fuchs. **Center left:** Looking for a rebound is junior Teresa McCrory. **Below left:** Teammates listen attentively as Coach Debbie Fuchs discusses plays. **Above:** Having time to prepare for her shot is senior Traci Johnson as senior Melissa Wells looks on. **Below:** On a fast break down court is All-District senior Vivian Smith.



photo by Greg Carrillo

Inexperience dashes hoop hopes



Starting the game off for South Houston is sophomore Juanita Salas.

photo by Tracey LeCroy

highs n' lows determine teams' records

For Coach Nan Kimball it was an eventful basketball season. Her Junior Varsity team finished up in district with 1-13 record.

Most of the team felt that the following year would be more of a success than this one. Commented Coach Kimball, "Even though we didn't win, I feel next year will be better."

The team's record remained the same for the most part throughout the season, where they ended 3-25.

The Girls' Freshman team had a slightly better record than that of the JV team, with a 5-9 district and a 6-11 overall record.

"It was hard to say what caused the results of this team. Sometimes because of inexperience, the freshman girls do not do well. The Freshman Girls' team was a lot better than their records show," remarked Coach Mert Paben.

Coach Paben said that she didn't like to name certain players as the better

ones on the team. She claimed that all of the freshmen still needed time to develop their skills, but not their egos. Said freshman Sherry Felder, "Freshmen were just starting out and I think they will improve in order to have an excellent JV team the following year. Most of the team were, 'Looking forward to next year because I think we will have a good basketball team'" as freshman Angela Bailey put it.

Shelley Howie

BASKETBALL



photo by Arthur Perez

Above: Attempting a jumpshot is freshman Sherry Felder. **Center:** Participating in pre-game activities is sophomore Sharon Walden. **Below:** Awaiting the outcome of her shot is sophomore Shelly Silva.



photo by Tracy LeCroy

Freshman 6-12

South Houston	Opponent
39-62	Baytown Lee
40-46	Deer Park
51-24	Pasadena
46-51	Baytown Sterling
43-17	Northshore
A 37-41	Rayburn
B 20-66	Rayburn
A 37-30	Dobie
B 27-19	Dobie
42-50	Baytown Lee
47-61	Deer Park
46-31	Pasadena
50-52	Baytown Sterling
51-23	Northshore
A 21-36	Rayburn
B 13-20	Rayburn
A 27-32	Dobie
B 18-22	Dobie

photo by Brian Walker

Jr. Varsity 1-13

South Houston	Opponent
38-39	Baytown Lee
28-40	Deer Park
35-37	Pasadena
23-54	Baytown Sterling
37-39	Northshore
31-38	Rayburn
29-41	Dobie
41-47	Baytown Lee
35-46	Deer Park
39-32	Pasadena
39-60	Baytown Sterling
46-49	Northshore
29-36	Rayburn
28-55	Dobie

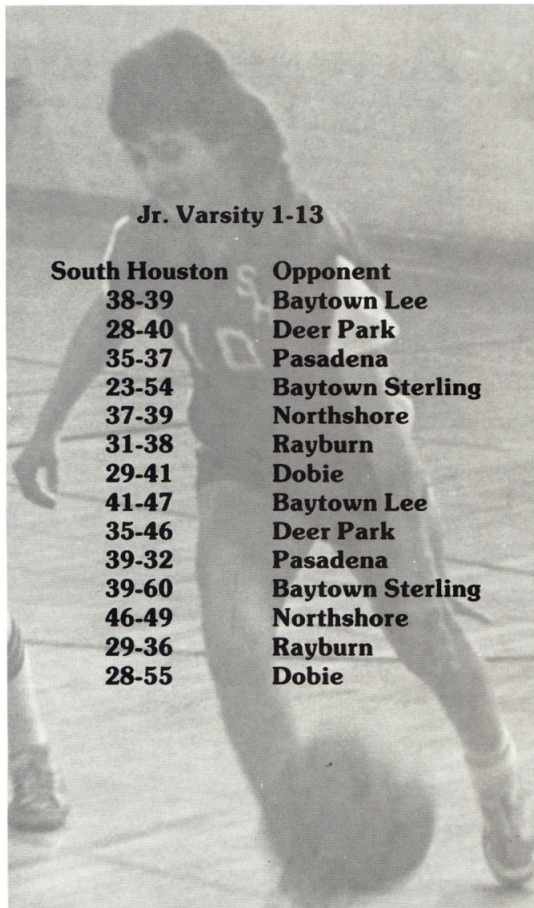


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Above: Dribbling down court is sophomore Jana Johnson. **Below:** Awaiting the outcome of freshman Angela Hancock's shot are freshmen Sherry Felder and Becky Bailey.



photo by Arthur Perez

A season without equal



Warming up, sophomores René Hollis, Sherry Masters, Ermetha Giles, and Tracy Warford take a practice run.

jv captures city championship

Under the leadership of Coach Gerardo Espinoza, the South Houston Girls' Track team went on to achieve a season without equal. With spectacular individual and team performances, the girls achieved, "The best season the Girls' Track team has ever had record wise; attitude and everything was positive," said Coach Espinoza.

Under the leadership of Cross-Country captains junior Debra Clough and sophomore Sherry Masters, the team finished fifth in district.

Finishing fourth in district, the Girls' Track team was led by seniors Kim An-

thony and Ermetha Giles. Team managers were Kayla Hendricks and Toni Rivera.

Winning the first varsity track meet on March 16 and 17 at the Longhorn Relays in Hamshire-Fannett, the following girls took great pride in being a part of such an accomplishment: Tracy Warford, Kim Anthony, René Hollis, Joan Peterkin, Missy Harper, Debbie Blair, Ermetha Giles, Vivian Smith, Jackie Evans, Sherry Felder, Susanne Reaves, Sherry Masters, Charlotte Garza, Dee Brewer, Sharon Walden, Paula Coleman, and Toni Rivera.

Capturing the City Championship, the Junior Varsity Track team included Teresa Angel, Paula Coleman, Minerva Espinoza, Dianitta Garcia, Charlotte Garza, Sue Henderson, Patrice Rodgers, Sharon Walden, Dana Havard, Susanne Reaves, Sherri Green, and Becky Bailey.

In all, Coach Espinoza, who celebrated his fifteenth year of service to the Pasadena I.S.D., concluded his coaching career but chose to remain as a classroom instructor. His last season as a coach was, in his words, "A very enjoyable year."

Joaquin Casamayor
Monica Williams

GIRLS' TRACK



photos by Brian Walker

Left: As part of their workout, sophomores Ermetha Giles and Tracy Warford run the ropes. **Above:** With jogging as part of their daily routine, senior Celina Vazquez and sophomores Tracy Warford, Sherry Masters, and René Hollis take a turn around the track. **Below:** Awaiting the gun, sophomores René Hollis, Sherry Masters, Ermetha Giles, and Tracy Warford assume their stance in the starting blocks.



SoHo's sweat n' steel



Balancing his weight, senior David Applegate prepares to squat.

photo by Bobby Applegate

Clark, Applegate, Estes power team

Power lifting was a sport that required lifting a bar loaded with metal weights. It was both a competitive amateur sport and a form of exercise. The principle behind power lifting dictated that a muscle would become stronger, harder, and larger if it worked against increasingly heavier loads.

So Ho senior David Applegate participated in power lifting for five years with three of them in competition. David

placed first in four competitions. His overall record in lifting was 475 lbs. in squats, 350 lbs. bench, and 525 lbs. dead lift. David explained, "Power lifting has given me self-satisfaction and helped me in football and to recover from my broken leg."

"Everyone has certain talents and this is the one God has given me," said senior Anthony Clark. Out of seven competitions, Anthony captured first place in six.

He placed second in competition at Texas State Open and Texas Championship. Anthony's overall record in power lifting was 750 lbs. in squats, 515 lbs. bench, and 650 lbs. dead lift. With four years lifting experience Anthony's goal was to be the "World's Strongest" before the age of 20.

Sharon Ojeda
Shannon Brinagar

POWER LIFTING



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photo by Mrs. Marilyn Estes

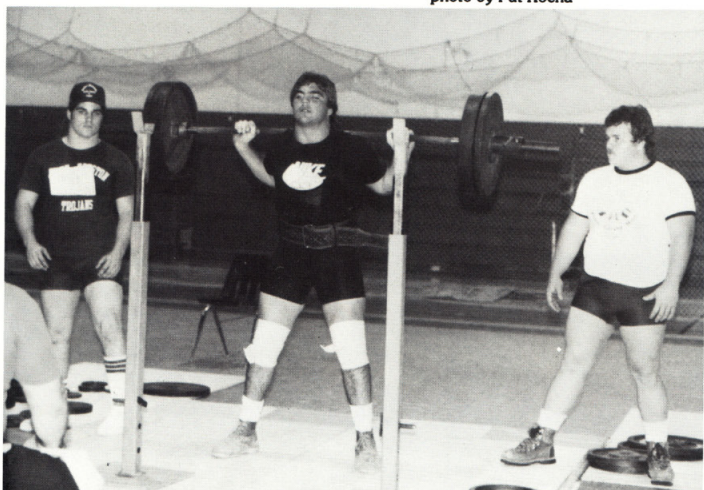


photo by Mrs. Marilyn Estes

Top left: Preparing to shoulder shrug, junior Frank Elliott awaits the judge's approval. **Center left:** As the spotters keep a careful eye, junior Glenn Estes begins to squat. **Bottom left:** Giving his all, senior David Applegate prepares to surge upward on the bench press. **Above:** Taking time out from their competition, seniors David Applegate, Anthony Clark and junior Glenn Estes pose for a picture. **Below:** Working out after school, senior Anthony Clark works out on the inclined bench press.



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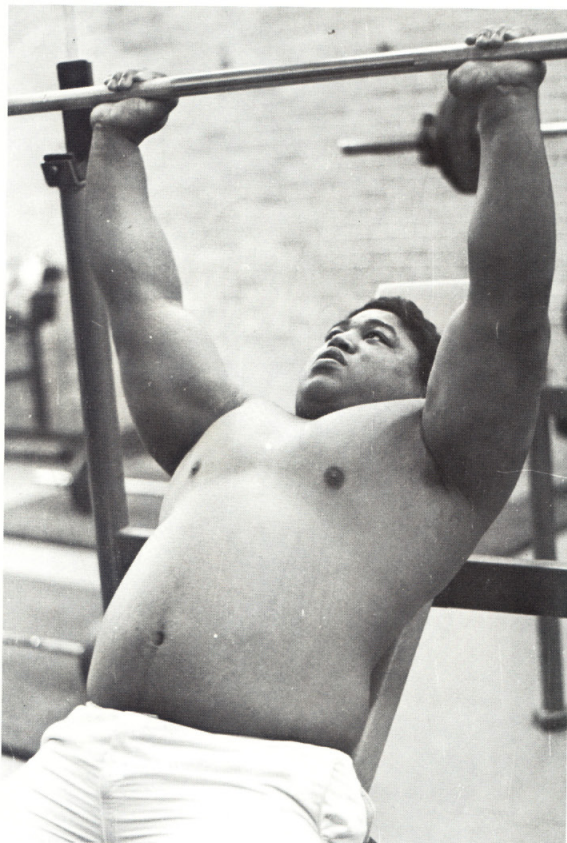


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