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Memories shared by students and alumni. Please share your memories of attending the Training School and College High.

Debbie Gipson

My father, Millard Gipson actually sponsored the year book. I don't remember what years -- he was in the Agr. dept. I was a faculty brat. It was so funny when I was pre-enrolled. Prominent people used to camp out over night to get their kids enrolled and I do remember seeing pictures in the Park City Daily News of them sleeping on cots. I was already enrolled because I was a faculty child--others had to wait in line. Other schools used to call it "snob hill" and meaner people would refer to it as the school where "the girls are girls and the boys are too."

The picture you sent me (top right) is from a College High pep rally. From left to right are Karen Jensen, Judy Perkins, Jan Parker, Debbie Gipson (captain), and Margaret Loving Williamson. This is a picture from 1968-1969 season as the squad had changed. Absent from the photo is Sarah Smith who was also a member of the squad. As you can see the boys have dressed in our cheerleading attire with boobs. The picture is not clear; however, I think from left to right would be Kevin Brooks, Henry Honaker, (under the basket - I don't know - maybe Joe Snyder), Jack Glasser and finally Bill Everly.

We the cheerleaders got into so much trouble that day -- we had been to cheerleading camp that summer at UK and had learned some cute skits that year to present to pep rallies. This day we had had the boys stretch out on the floor and we huddled under a blanket-caterpillar fashion with only our legs showing. As we wound ourselves over the boys the last person raised their leg and a bucket of water poured from underneath. We thought that we were so cute (after all we had learned this skit from UK cheerleaders) Fannie Holland (if you can imagine did not think this cute) hauled us into the Principal's office and we were scared to death.

Billy Bratton, Class of 1950

In 1950, a member of our class, Dick Bernard, wrote an Alma Mater song which we requested that all succeeding classes use as their alma mater song, as well. I'd like to share that with everyone, in case it was shunted aside.

To the tune of "On, Wisconsin:"

Alma Mater, Alma Mater, always faithful we

Ever loyal, ever truthful in our love for thee
For you've taught us to be loyal, to help our fellow man.
Always ready when we're needed to lend a helping hand.

When we leave you, we believe you, in our hearts will see
That we're always proud and loyal in our love for thee
This is one thing not forgotten, Dear Old College High
We'll always keep your banners flying in the sky.

Alma Mater, no author or date

Upon a hillside
Stands our home of high school days
College High, our pride,
To thee we lift our praise.

Within thy sacred halls
In happiness we dwell
Our learning ever calls
Till we bid fond farewell.

College High, oh College High
Ever faithful true are we.
College High, oh College High
Our hearts are pledge to thee.