

Gymnastics place high at districts, state.

The girls gymnastics team finished its season with a record of 5-1 qualifying for the state tournament after finishing runners-up in the district. They also won the Miami Invitational, an important meet because it hosted many teams that later competed in the districts.

Besides the team participating at the state meet, seniors Stephanie Blasberg and Jamie Kelsch, and sophomore Elizabeth McElwee qualified as individuals. Blasberg placed ninth on the balance beam. McElwee said "Our most important meets of the season were the district and state meets because they helped to build our confidence for next year."

At the districts the team placed second, two points ahead of

league rival Lakota. Three individuals took third place in their events at districts. These were

Blasberg on the beam, Kelsch on the floor exercises, and McElwee on the bars. Coach Ed Schwelger received the honor of being district coach of the year.

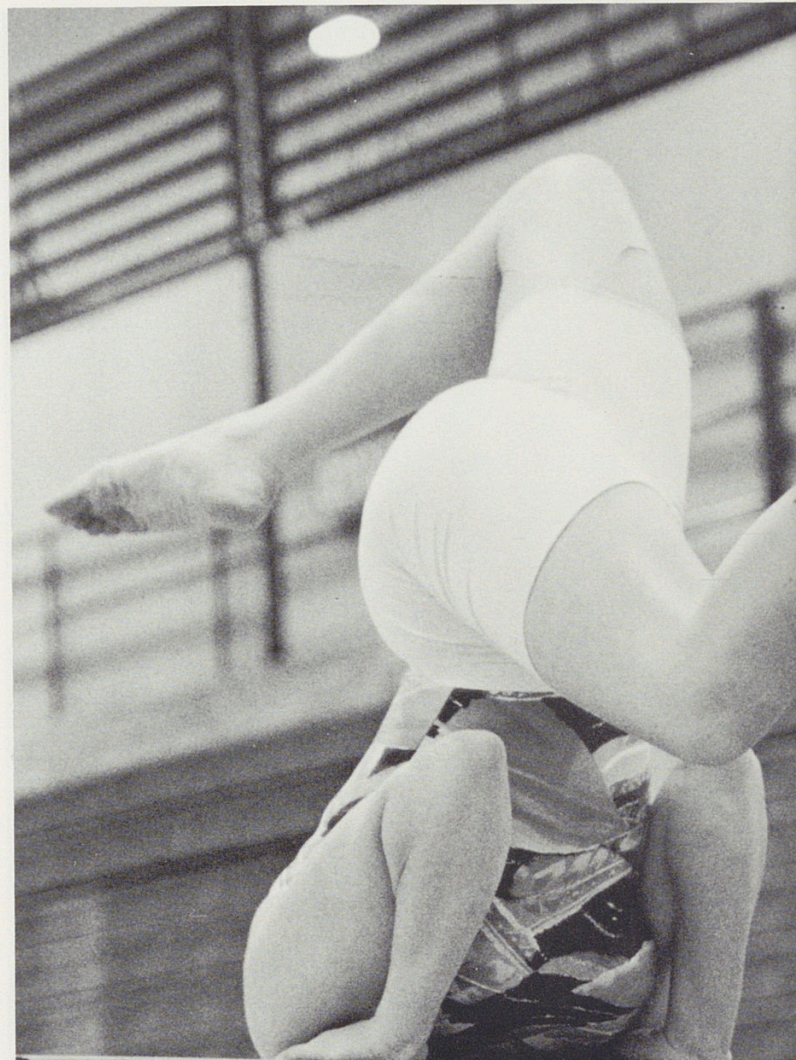
Also giving good supporting performances in their events were seniors Megan

Keller, Courtney James, and Heather Braid; junior Linda Gerson; sophomores Emily Dewey and Rachal Hoffman; and freshmen Vicki Taylor and Erica Ellsberry.

Throughout the long season and after many hours of practice and dedication, the season reached its peak at the right time.

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Gymnastics	
Franklin	W
Turpin	W
Beavercreek	L
Lakota/Anderson/Norwood	1st
Countryside/Norwood	1st
Miamisburg/Fairborn	2nd
Miami Invitational	1st
Lakota Invitational	2nd
Troy	W
Anderson	W
Centerville	W
District	2nd
State	10th
Final Record: 5-1	



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First Row: E. McElwee, R. Hoffman, M. Keller. Middle Row: E. Ellsberry, L. Gerson, S. Blasberg, H. Braid. Back Row: Coach Schwelger, V. Taylor, J. Kelsch, C. James. Not Pictured: E. Dewey.