

"Corp Ten Hut . . . UGH!!!"

If a girl in pony tails was walking down the hallway at school wearing a polyester mini-dress and high-heeled boots, one would definitely think she was making a fashion statement. But not if it was Friday and that girl was a Flyerette.

The Flyerette Corp is a drill team that, along with the Marching Band and Flag Corp, performs during the half time of football games and some basketball games. The Flyerettes spent approximately nine hours a week during football season learning and polishing their routines and drills.

Their hard work paid off because the Flyers won first place awards in the dance team division at Lakota and Glen Este contests. This year also marked the first year in the history of Sycamore that the band qualified for State Contest. At state, they received a "Superior" rating of "1" in the auxiliaries division.

According to captain Amy Burgoyne, a good drill team does not come easy, but is the result of "discipline." She stated, "having a positive attitude is very important because a bad attitude can get in the way of a good performance."

When Rosemary Metzger, drill team director for 17 years,

was asked what it takes to have a good drill team, she quickly replied, "The four d's: diligence, determination, desire, and dedication."

On the night of a performance, the Flyerettes always had dinner at a fellow Flyer's house. This is a tradition that has been going on for as long as Mrs. Metzger can remember. Not only were these dinners fun, but they brought the corp closer together.

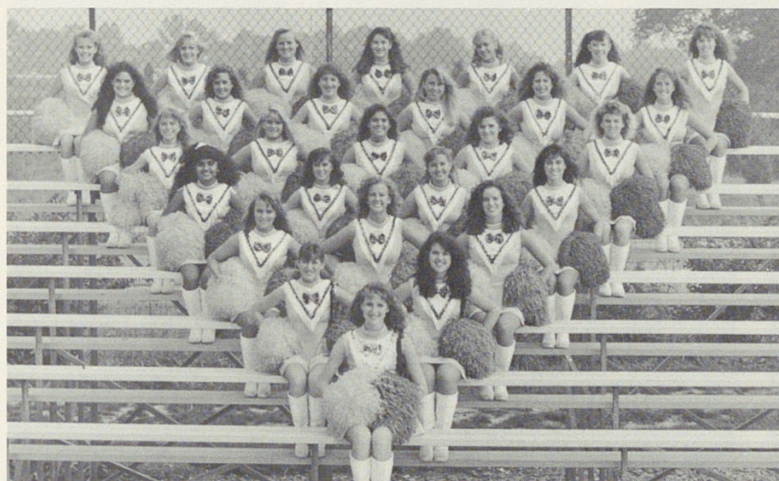
They are remembered by many things, especially their "go-go" boots. Burgoyne said, "The boots may be ugly up close, but on the football field they are extremely effective, especially during kick routines."

She also stated, "The boots and two white ribbons make the corp look very uniform when competing and dancing before an audience."

Well, no matter what they were wearing or how long they had to stay after school to practice, the accomplishments made it all worthwhile. Both Mrs. Metzger and Amy Burgoyne agreed that this had been a very successful year for the Flyerettes.

By Amy Allee

Right: Robin Ping, Connie Noonan, and Karin Beil dance at Senior Recognition Night.



FLYERETTES; Row 1: A. Burgoyne; Row 2: R. Ping, M. Kamrani; Row 3: S. Steiner, C. Noonan, C. Carothers; Row 4: S. Sangvai, J. Johnson, M. Johnson, C. Malagon; Row 5: K. Clark, H. Rust, M. Rush, M. Buckley, D. Adkins; Row 6: T. Kurtz, H. Zoeller, K. Bamber, J. Roberts, J. Hertzman, A. Rothman; Row 7: K. Beil, S. Ott, B. Butcher, A. Allee, K. Warzon, R. Goorman, T. Lederach



FLAGS; A. Devanney, V. Kohls, M. Neuman, S. Wendelberger, S. Patel, T. Perlmutter, J. Cumming, L. Cumming, E. Grueter, J. Heath, L. Inglish, N. Seigla; not pictured: A. Kougios