INSIDE THESE WALLS
Because of the rigid requirements for Sophomores, they are allowed very few electives. Some, like Sophomore Dan Bourque, choose a foreign language such as Spanish I where the students use the new Spanish I book, Churros y Chocolate.

Part of the Homecoming activities involve electing a King and Queen. Mary Vennstrom was chosen as Queen.

Homecoming floats highlighted the Saturday morning parade which began at Elizabeth Street School and ended at the high school football field.

It's the same basic plot with a new cast.
The Main Event: Homecoming

"One of the best assemblies we've ever had" was the highlight of the year's Homecoming, according to first year Student Council advisor Jim McGraw. "It was well-behaved and very up and spirited," he continued. "It was just really neat."

For the first time, a two hour assembly was held before the fall Homecoming, and that may have been part of the reason for the spirited atmosphere. "I guess it was also partly because of Homecoming being a special time."

JUNIOR CLASS REPRESENTATIVES Randy Taylor and Karen Dahl and Sophomores Class Representatives John Vogelmeier and Dawn Hoagg.


HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN Scott Jarvis and Mary Vennstrom.

"THE LITTLE DRAGON THAT COULD" was the theme for the Sophomores' float. It was made at John Smilow's house.

THE WINNING SENIOR float's theme was "Puff the Magic Dragon". Construction on the float was at Chris Guinn's house.
One look that was always in was the layered look. Conditions fluctuated so wildly that students were forced to wear a coat, hat and mittens in first hour, short sleeves and bermudas in second hour, and a rainhat and boots during hall passing.

One mill, to be used solely for repairs was voted down in the fall and the results were felt around the school when cold set in and many heaters didn't work correctly. First semester librarian Normayne Jakubek reported a record low temperature of 56 on January 22 while a class was taking finals in the library. "We had to step outside just to thaw out," she commented.

Precipitation, both frozen and wet, was another factor contributing to the unusual conditions inside the school. When it snowed, drifts appeared under many doors, and when it rained, puddles developed under warped ceilings. Thespian publicity chairman Tracy Behrick reported that "in order to have a play, we had to tie buckets on the rafters above the stage to catch rain, and change them at intermission if it was really coming down."

Because of a particularly harsh winter, there were many snow days, and the installing of a new school sign on M-24 had to be postponed for weeks.

**WHILE SITTING WITH their coats on in math class Dave Vezina, Tim Skubik, Michelle Miller and Karl Roosa complain about the heat.**

**BUCKETS AND MOPS are seen all over the school when the roof leaks during and after a rainstorm.**
CAGERS season with age

The girls’ 1981 Varsity Basketball team was comprised of ten players, three of which were returning senior veterans. Four of the seven rookies were juniors, and three sophomores.

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—Chuck Mahoney

“We had a difficult beginning—with inexperienced players. We struggled through the season, not winning our close games. But they improved and as the season’s end drew near, they won a lot of games they would have lost in the beginning of the season,” conceded coach Chuck Mahoney.

Having scored 201 points, the team’s high scorer, junior Valerie Post, received the Most Valuable Player award. The Coach’s award and the Most Improved Player award were presented to seniors Chrissy Kowalski and Amy Wallen, respectively.

Ending the season with a win-loss record of 5-9, the girls still seemed to have high spirits. “Although our season wasn’t as successful as we had hoped we all enjoyed it very much,” stated senior Amy Wallen.

SOPHOMORE DAWN HOAGG backs up senior Amy Wallen while Amy steals the ball from her opponent.

SENIOR CHRIS GUINN, #50, and junior Valerie Post, #22, guard their opponents in the Waterford Mott–Lake Orion game. In the final quarter, Lake Orion succumbed to Mott, losing 43-51.

FLYING HIGH, sophomore Sheila Truax aims for the basket. Sheila accumulated 24 assists by the end of the season.
“Nursey Rhymes and Fairytales” was the theme of the 81-'82 football Homecoming October 17. “The dance drew fewer people than expected,” claimed Student Council member Betty Jo Naugle. “No one was really enthusiastic about the dance. We need more people to get involved and participate in school activities. Maybe more people will show up at the next dance. The Student Council is going to work hard to make it better.”

The dance, held in the cafeteria from 7:30 to 12:00, featured the band, “Fame” which played mostly older rock songs.

“The band took too many breaks, played too many old songs, and wouldn’t take requests, but on the whole it was a pretty good band,” decided sophomore Diane Ricter. Diane also admitted she would go to the next dance but hoped there would be a D.J. Matt Baldwin added, “The dance was good, but I thoroughly enjoyed the party afterward.”
The 1981 Homecoming dance was organized by the Student Council headed by first year advisor, Jim McGraw. Earlier that day at the halftime of the Homecoming game, Scott Jarvis and Mary Vennstrom were crowned Football Homecoming King and Queen.

The band for the dance was "Fame." Many students liked the band but said they played too many fast songs and not enough slow ones.

Each year a football Homecoming dance has been planned by Student Council who selects the band, decorates the cafeteria and sells the tickets. For couples, the night usually started with dinner at a nice restaurant followed by the dance.
Without a lunch, senior privileges were cut by one. Being able to leave early for lunch and beat the crowd out of the parking lot was one privilege that was greatly appreciated by the seniors of last year. Some of the other privileges also included: leaving early from assemblies and fifth hour, getting the best seats for pep rallies in the gym, having senior skip day, (even though most of the school also took it), a senior trip, and being given a prom we would never forget by the juniors.

This year the seniors picked from two different senior trips, either the Bahamas in June or Daytona Beach, Florida in April. Also, they voted on where they wanted their graduation to be. The choices were the high school athletic field or the Pontiac Silverdome. The Dome was picked by a whopping 200 votes.
As budget totals head downward the number of staff members also drops

In the past, when Lake Orion High School had six hours and lunch time, many teachers spent their conference hours in the teachers' lounge.

Now that prep time and lunch for teachers is lumped together after school, many conversations occur simultaneously inside those walls...

"I can't believe the classes I'm teaching; I have never even thought of some of them before" ... "First Wojdyla, then Ray ... I wonder if I should look for a new job" ... "My voice is hoarse from teaching five hours with no break. I'll have to bring something to drink for nutrition break tomorrow" ... "Have you met the new English teacher? I think she's from East" ... "I never thought they would cut so many teachers. I wonder how secure my job will be if any more cuts are made" ... "Did you hear who's pregnant now?!" ... "Congratulations on your nomination for teacher of the year" ... "I still don't have the books I need to teach my classes" ... "What do you think of having finals once again?" ... "I wonder if they're ever going to turn the heat on in my classroom; I freeze all day long!" ...
The 'Wrapper' yells the rap at Mac's

If you listen real close you hear the "wrapper" yell, "ten and one, six macs, five quarters on the turn, could you please put eight and six down on pie, and two and two on chicken and filet."

This is what the typical "Macie" of the Lake Orion McDonalds on M-24 hears on a typical Friday night.

Many high school students spend their Friday nights at the football games, the movies, or at one of the many "parties" held around the Lake Orion area.

Still there are many Lake Orion students who work Fridays and other nights of the week at the McDonalds in Lake Orion.

"I'm saving my money that I

THE NEW SURROUNDINGS meant a lack of streakers, so seniors found other ways of drawing attention to themselves like wearing green caps with white gowns or putting messages on with masking tape.

GRADUATING THE CLASS that he came in with, Mr. Richard Kast attended commencement at the Silverdome with several school board members and principals from both junior highs.

ONE OF THE murals painted in the hallway leading to the wrestling room represents the many classes LO has had hello and goodbye to and the school spirit that remains the same through football and basketball seasons, inside these walls...