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As we go through life we encounter people, places and obstacles wherever you go you leave impressions
through these encounters we leave behind impressions
will be remembered

By those who will follow in our footsteps
School is just a part time thing for a lot of people. Many people have out of school activities like Brian Gibbs.

Brian started bike racing around four years ago in Southern California. What got Brian started was when he visited Anacortes from time to time. He saw tourists riding bikes and he was real interested in it.

When Brian started bike racing, he didn’t realize how much time and money it would take for him to start racing.

It costs Brian around $1,000 a year for travelling, motels, and entry fees. He has about $6,000 worth of equipment and he hopes to get more.

Brian trains for about 3 to 4 hours daily which includes riding his bike, wrestling, lifting weights and running.

Brian’s main goal out of racing is to make the Pan Am Games in 1989. He also wants to turn professional and earn a lot of money in the near future.
Dear readers,
Before this little messages I have communicated to you through the newspaper. These I tried to tell you about my home country so now I will give you some "information" about myself.

- Eyecolor: bluegreen, height 5'6, weight ... no ... no. That's of no importance. What I want to say is that I really enjoyed my visit here in your American country. I have many nice memories to take home with me and much better knowledge how to talk in English. My needs to travel, ski, see your country and experience your lifestyle are fulfilled. Finally, I want to thank all of you who helped to make my stay more comfortable.

Your friend always, Asa

I like USA and I think that USA is most interesting country in the world. I was really excited before I arrived here, but now I have to say that this is most interesting experience I have ever had, to be exchange student in USA.

Anacortes is small, but interesting town. People in here are nice and because this is so small place all the kids know each other and I like that.

Anacortes High School is sometimes a little boring but also interesting, because this school is so much different than school in Finland. Teachers are nice and it is really easy to get along with them. Students in Anacortes High School are nice too and it is really easy to make friends here.
After School Jobs

What could possibly divert so many students from their precious homework time? Maybe the main attraction was after-school and weekend activities. Wanting extra money, many students found themselves working at MacDonald’s, Safeway, Ace Hardware and other businesses in our town. The money earned may be spent on things such as cars, clothes, movies and a social life. Many students travel to Alaska during the summer to go fishing on one of the many boats leaving from Anacortes.

These Part-time jobs lured many students from their schoolwork, their friends, and just goofing off.

Yes, there is more to life than term papers!
Weekend Skiing

As the winter months arrive people get ready to hit the slopes. They pull their skis out of the dusty closet. They readjust them, trim the rough edges, give them a coat of wax and they are ready to go.

Skiing has become very popular among teenagers. It's a growing sport of the 80's. Once you get started you are hooked! You want to go every weekend and every day if you could.

There are many places to ski in this area; Stevens Pass and Mt. Baker are two of the most popular. They are both good places to ski. Baker has a lot of tough terrain whereas Stevens Pass has night skiing and a lot of people.

Many people drive up, but there is a bus which goes up 8 times every Saturday, January through February.

One thing about skiing it is an expensive sport. But to many it's worth it. Lift tickets at Baker cost $17.50 for all day. You can rent ski equipment at Mt. Baker for $24.00 and up.

You see a lot of different wearing apparell. One of the popular fashions is Roffe and Patagonia Ski wear. Ski items made out of Gortex is also very popular.

Skiing is a great past time. You get a lot of fresh air and you see a lot of beautiful scenery. If you haven't gone skiing, get with it! Before it's too late.
Transportation

How do you get to school? There are many different ways students get to school, they may depend on their parents, bus, or they may even have to walk. But as students get older and wiser some may even get their own cars or mopeds.

Students' cars may range from the junkyard special to the brand new off the lot car. Many Students don't really care what kind of car they have, all they really care about is if it runs or not, and it gets them to where they want to go. If not, they always have friends to bum rides off of.

The skateboard craze is now going around Anacortes. Many guys ride their skateboards to and from school. After school the guys go down to old Prairie Market lot and ride them off jumps.

Many students this year ride mopeds, it seems to be a cheaper and quicker way to get to school (and also a lot funner than walking).

So as you can see there are different ways to get to school than a lot of people think.
What's Up in '87

As we walk down the halls it's hard not to notice the array of styles.
Each person has their own style. Their own way of expressing themselves. People express themselves throughout different ways. Some choose to do so through clothing. Others music.

Music this year ranged from classical to heavy metal. AC/DC and Boston made a comeback, while others introduced themselves. Such as The Outfield and Gene Loves Gezebel.

It seemed the rugby or casual look was popular, as well as the semi dressy look. Levi's and concert shirts are still holding their own spotlight.
Here at A.H.S. there is a junior named Jamie Hoyland — also known to some as “Mr. James.”

He is in Children’s Hospital about once a month, so some of you may not know him.

Being in the hospital has its good points. You get to meet famous people for example. James has met some of the Mariners, Sonics and Tim McCormick, who got him free tickets to a game, and some Seahawks. And as seen in this picture he has met Kris Kristofferson.

Kris Kristofferson was in Seattle filming a movie, when he had an accident during a stunt. After being discharged from the hospital, he went to children’s to visit some of the patients. James, also known as “Snoopy” at one hospital, was in there at the time and got to meet him and get an autograph.
ROMANTIC THOUGHTS?

What a Girl Thinks

Should I look at him? Should I talk to him? Should I tell my friends that I like him? Should I walk by his class? Should I send him a candygram? Will I send him a note? Should I tell my friends? Does he think I'm cute? Do his friends like me? Should I call him? I wonder if he is going to the movies tonight with his friends? Should I join track because he is in track? Does he like the way I dress? Will my friends approve? Will we get along? Or should I just play hard to get? Does he like the same things I do? Does he have a curfew? Does he have a car? Will he kiss me after the first date? How long will it last? Why does he flirt so much with other girls? Will there be rumors? Will his friends laugh at me? Will he talk to me at school? Will he call me? Does he party? Does he look good at the beach? What kind of music does he listen to? Is he sexy? Will my Dad like him? Or shoot him? Will it last through the summer? Should I ask him to Toto? Will he hold my hand in the halls? Will he walk me to class? Will he pay for everything? WHAT AM I WORRIED ABOUT?

What a Guy Thinks

Should I look at her in class? Should I walk by her locker during break? Should I talk to her friends? God - should I ask her out? Is she too stuck up for me? Will she care if I have a car or not? Does she like to party or not? Would she ever be seen with me in public? Am I too fat or have too many zits? Will my friends approve? Will her friends like me? Will she deny what happened? Would she cheat on me? Will she go very far? Does she have a bad rep? Will her parents like me? What time should I take her home? Should I take her to Camp Santa? Will her Dad bring out the shotgun? Do I smell o.k.? Did I change my socks and underwear? Does my hair look cool? Am I dressed alright? Should I pay for dinner? What does she like? Do I have enough gas in the car? Do I have enough money? Should I kiss her goodnight? Will she like the way I kiss? Will my friends disrespect me if I don't try anything? Should I act on my thoughts? WHAT AM I WORRIED ABOUT?
As the ASB President of Anacortes High, my impressions of the '86-'87 school year are wishful but somewhat realistic. So here are my views on the activities of the year.

What really makes a school is the people that form it...the students. It's going to be as great as we want it or as bad as we want it. Athletics seem to illustrate that very fact the best. As we have found, living up to more than several decades of winning traditions is hard to handle. This year's Seniors have handled that thwarting headache extremely well. The leadership was strong in overcoming "THE STREAK" which stretched over three years of NWL play. I have tasted nothing so sweet as witnessing a deserving team "stick it out" and give it all its got to capture a victory as we all saw in Bellingham. School spirit from then on seemed to ride a roller-coaster. We tried to revitalize some of the older traditions of AHS, such as the Victory Bell, Spirit Stick, Springfest, and Spirit Week. The Pep Club just didn't get off the ground nor did the Anacortes crowds. We're still stoned with apathy as we found out with increased vandalism, litter and team support.

Homecoming brought about the enormous potential that AHS students possess, exemplified in the hallway and float competitions. The willingness was there, while the initiative was lacking. The faculty and staff felt that same willingness and motivation to support us in our efforts.

Perhaps most frustrating to me as a leader in high school was the ability of the students to give so much more than what they were in fact giving. Anacortes can truly be an outrageous place if we take advantage of our surroundings. The strength to succeed must come within to change the attitudes and opinions of those on the outside.

In the past, the ASB office has served as a mediocre representative of the student body. I really feel that in 1987 the students were given the best possible representation while the office underwent extensive restructuring. Student involvement is a must to preserve the traditions and highlights of each program available to students. We really don't know what we have to offer.

My sincerest wishes go to the Classes of 1990, 89 and especially the Class of 1988 for whom Anacortes High’s future rests. Care enough about the people, surroundings, and traditions to pass the good times on to future generations. One day Anacortes will again be as mighty as its name.

Special thanks from the ASB Office go to the faculty and staff that not only helped boost morale but made a point of doing so. Your initiative will forever be appreciated!

Peter Mayer, President
Associated Student Body
Anacortes High School
Seahawk Renaissance

The year that broke the streak

Seahawks

HOMECOMING
This year's Homecoming was one very spirited time! A lot of this was due to the Seahawks "Breaking the Streak," and the seniors determination to win Homecoming Week.

The week before, classes were busily getting ready for construction on floats and organization for hall decorations. The anticipation of what the other classes floats looked like was in the air because they could not be worked on at school.

On Monday, we had the pleasure of just rising out of bed and sleep walking into school for Pajama Day. Since everyone was just too lazy to do anything, there was no lunchtime activity.

Tuesday came and we have the chance to be ourselves... Slobs! You guessed it! The day was Slob Day. Lunchtime activity was the all time Latin American favorite, Limbo Dancing.

Wednesday came and Twin Day was upon us. Most people wore similar shirts, shoes, and pants but few went to the extreme as perfecting every aspect. Lunchtime fun was squirt the whip cream off peoples faces with a squirt gun. Girls were eagerly awaiting the big game. That's right, Powder Puff was on! The teams were Mr. Millers' Killers and Ms. Taylors' Tinkertoys. The game ended 13 to 0 in favor of Taylors.

We flew to Hawaii on Thursday with our jams, polka shells, and suntan oil. Concert Band thrilled us during lunch. That night classes got together and decorated their halls for competition. All classes did well with beautiful decorations in all halls.
Toga ... Toga ... Toga ... was the chant we heard from seniors on the famous Purple and White Friday. Classes were busy getting last minute touches on floats. Everyone was getting anxious for the Homecoming Football Game later that night. The football was an upset, we may have lost but the spirit was high. The annual parade was a big success with all the floats looking marvelous. Homecoming Royalty was present with King Jim Aggergaard and Queen Staci Albright; Senior Princess Susan Cutshall with escort Jason Dunton; Junior princess Martha Lyons with escort Scott Mihelich; Sophomore princess Patti Yates with escort Peter Mayer; and Freshman princess Tauna Lyon with escort Steve Shimkus. The end of Homecoming was over with the Class of '88 coming in first followed by the Class '87, Class of '89, and last but not least the Class of '90!

Homecoming was a huge success with lots of help from the wonderful students and faculty at Anacortes High!
Student Body Government

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SENIORS NOT PICTURED:
Dan Barber
Amy Bergstrom
Rey Candia
Steve Davison
Robert Dite
Gordon Janz, Kelly Merrifield
This has been a rebuilding year for our football team. We had to begin by overcoming a seventeen-game losing streak. This was accomplished in our opening game against Bellingham; a game in which we fought back from an eleven point deficit to win 18-17 in the last minute of the game. The Bellingham victory exemplified the type of character this team displayed throughout the season. We played far and above what our 2-7 record indicates. We are now beginning to build a strong nucleus of players who are dedicated to the program, and who are willing to pay the price necessary to become successful.

I want to thank the seniors for the leadership and commitment they displayed throughout the season. It has given us a foundation from which to grow.
Every team player put in 110% this year. Even though it didn't show in the standings. There was a lot of spirit and enthusiasm and we had some good times together. Next year the whole team is looking forward to a new and better season.
The Impressions That We’ve Left Behind...

Long ago our Seahawks fought for fame for purple and white while our faithful Alma Mater fought with all its might Lift the chorus beat it onward Loud our praises cry Hail to thee our Alma Mater

Anacortes High