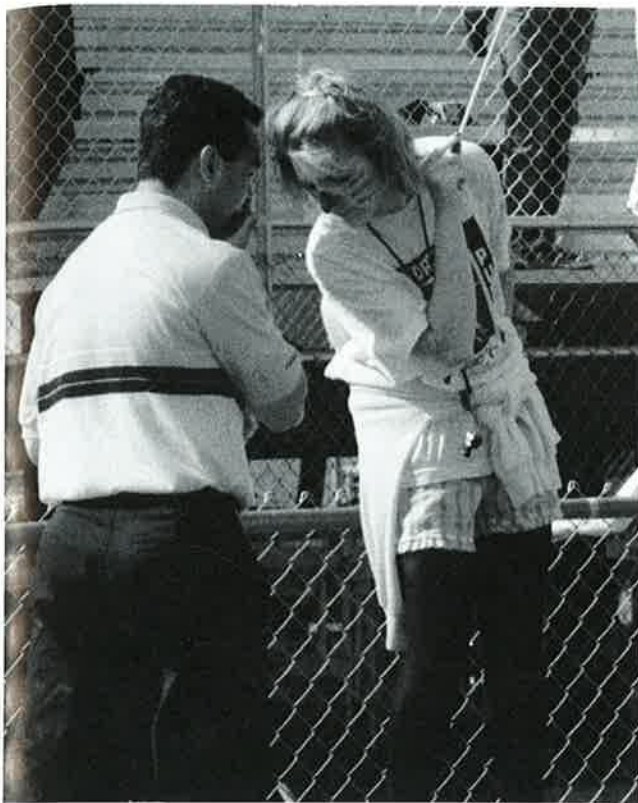


Mr. Pradke whispers to Monica Folck as she warms up the band. The band played at the outdoor pep session which was held during Spirit Week.



Let it Storm!

By: Andy Perkins

Imagine stepping on to the field, and as you march across the turf you hear the cheers of the crowd. You stop on your spot, as the drum major steps onto the platform. You feel the roar of the bass drums and the occasional crash of sheet metal. The drum major raises her arms; you raise your instrument, and the performance begins. This was a scene that was played out many times by members of the Marching Cougar Band.

North Putnam was host to the first-ever Cougar Pride Invitational at which fifteen bands competed. Although the Cougars did not compete, they did put on an exhibition performance for the crowd. Next, came the Mid-State competition at Indiana State University. Then, the band traveled to Evansville where they competed in regional competition. However, the highlight of the year for the band was a trip to Florida over spring break where the band marched at both the Epcot Center and Universal Studios. All in all, it was an extremely busy and successful year.



The North Putnam Marching Cougars performing Stormworks. They presented their show at Indiana State's Memorial Stadium during Mid-State competition.



Susanne Walker plays her flute as she marches. The band performed for the home crowd during a football game.