Students learn Spanish customs and traditions

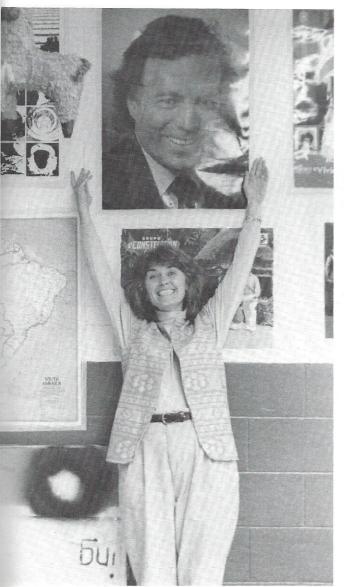
ENJOYING ESPAÑA

The Spanish Club provided an exciting interesting way to learn about Spain and Spanish customs for all its members. They celebrated many Spanish holidays such as Columbus Day. Before Christmas they practiced singing Christmas carols during lunch so they could sing them in the upper, middle and lower school before classes were dismissed for vacation. They also celebrated Cinco de Mayo and Spanish Independence Day. The members celebrated these holidays with Spanish fiestas. Everyone always looked forward to these

parties. There was Spanish music and Spanish food such as tacos, and Mrs. Folk cooked everyone's favorite ... Churros. On special occasions there was even squid! The members delighted in the Spanish custom of breaking pinatas and scrambling for all those goodies! During the Christmas party they exchanged gifts in the same way the Spaniards do by placing them in shoes. The Spanish Club officers were: Marnie Amerson — President; Rebecca Speaks — Vice President; Virginia Greenwell — Secretary and Treasurer.

A bit of history about an age old party tradition

Perhaps the one thing Spanish Club members enjoyed the most was breaking pinatas. The pinata was first used in Italy. They were not filled with candy and made of clay. Gradually they made their way to Spain with candy.





Mrs. Folk expresses her undying admiration for Julio Iglesias. She has even gone so far as to make him an honorary member of the Spanish Club.



During the December PTO meeting, Spanish Club members serenaded the parents with songs of Christmas. Background music was provided by Mrs. Lynn Bazzle.