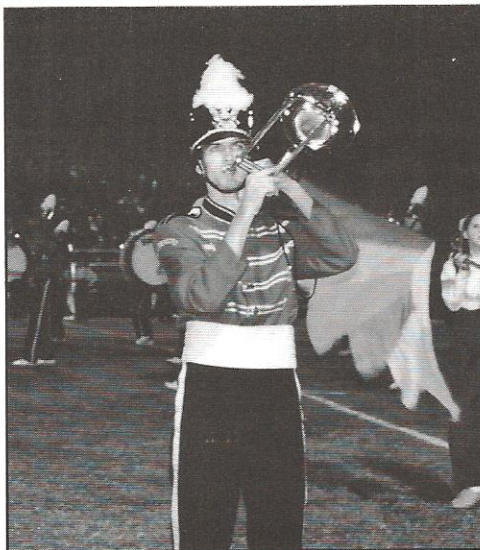


Trombone player Frank Nettles gazes into the home stands during a show. Frank played tennis and was a member of the A-Team.



Playing On a High Note

This year, the Walterboro Band of Blue continued the time-honored tradition of entertaining, supporting, and winning. The 1995-1996 school year proved to be one of the Band's best as it once again brought the state championship to Walterboro.

Under the direction of Mr. Bill Young, the Band of Blue worked hard to gain the title once again. Drum Majors Keivy Lingard, Margaret Young, and Elizabeth Kistler lead more than 240 students in a spectacular show of musical and choreographical perfection. The Band started practicing in July early in the morning. By the first football game, though, the Band was ready for action.

Winning six titles in the past seven years, the Band of Blue showed that hard

work pays off to those who truly work for it. Four requirements must be met to gain an Outstanding Performance Award (OPA). First, a band must perform at an acceptable level in a marching band forum. Second, the band must score either a superior or an excellent at the concert

"Being in band has given a lot of people a sense of family, leadership and responsibility," said junior Sarah Benton.

festival. Third, a certain number of it's members must make All-Region and All-State. Finally, they must make a certain number of superiors at the solo and ensemble levels.

"Band is more than an extracurricular activity. It requires you to utilize skills that will not just make you a better musician, but a more well-rounded person," said senior Keivy Lingard.

— Wayne Wright

