

No other subject in Ashley High School is full of more projects than Social Studies (except art, of course). Mrs. **Karen Martinez** is always looking for a way to spice up her classes, and usually succeeds quite well.

"I think that the projects were pretty pointless," comments **Amy Walter**. "Sure, they're fun, and they make class not so boring, but I learn more from her speeches than I do from the projects we do."

**Anji Simone**, however, feels that the projects were very educational, as well as being fun. "I learned a lot during our studies about human rights abuses. I really learned a lot about the inhumanity of the human race."

Every once in a while, there's a movie or a project thrown in to reinforce the lessons that Mrs. Martinez is trying to teach. She often takes time out of her busy life to cook authentic foods from other countries, to give her students a chance to experience a little bit of the foreign flavors. She takes a lot of field trips, taking her students out of the normal classroom environment, giving them a chance to get more of a hands-on education.

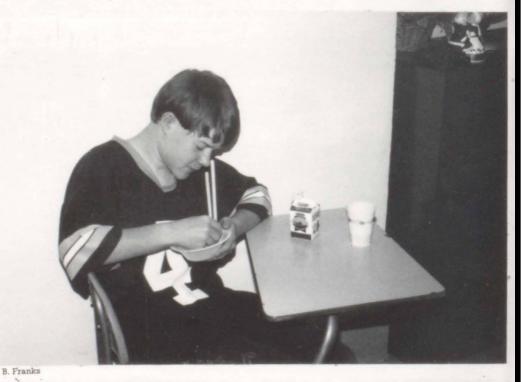
The business classes, taught by **Ms. Michelle Moore**, are also broken up by some fun projects. In business law, they had a mock trial, which lasted for over a week. Marketing is a class where the students actually get a chance to run the school store. In accounting, students work at their own pace, so it's totally possible to take a couple of days off.

Business and social studies, classes that sometimes aren't very exciting, can also be lots of fun, as long as you've got the right kind of teachers who have the right kind of ideas.

-Kari Deming



YUM? Rodger Suhr enjoys some ethnic chow brought in by Mrs. Martinez.



RICE RAGE Blake PrudHomme chases rice grains around his bowl during a social

studies feast. The class enjoyed several examples of Oriental cusine.