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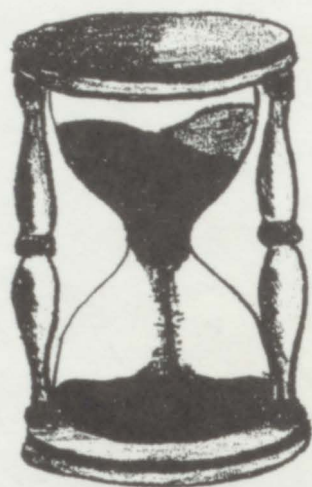
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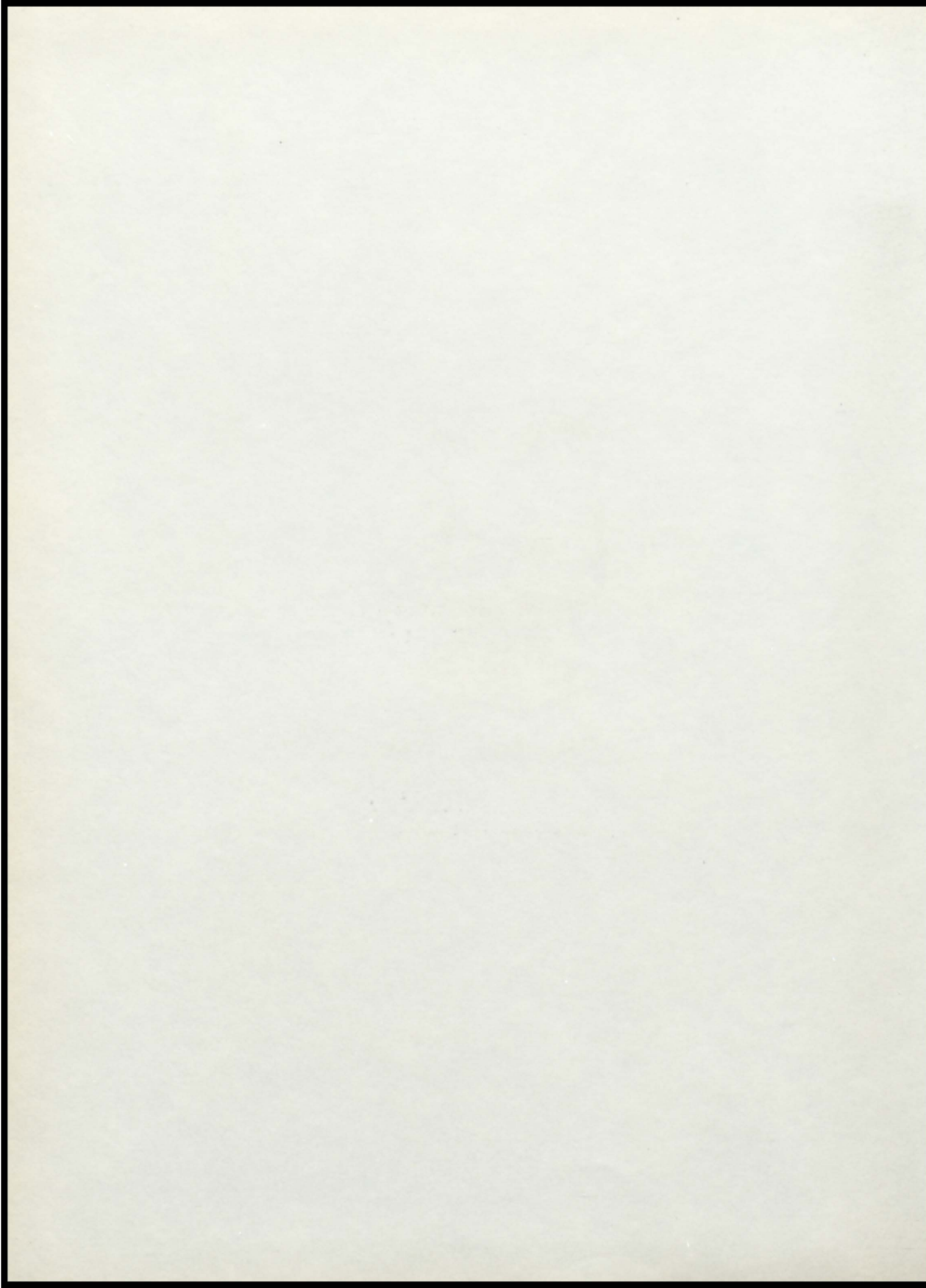
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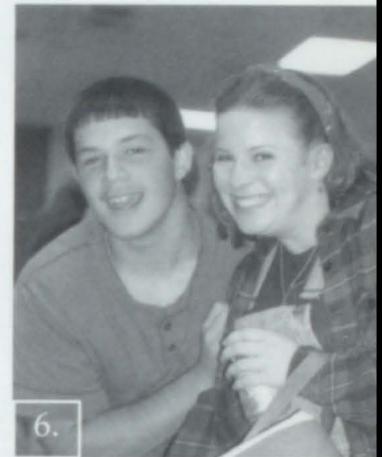
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HOW DO YOU MEASURE A YEAR?

*In minutes,
in seconds,
in laughter,
in strife...?*



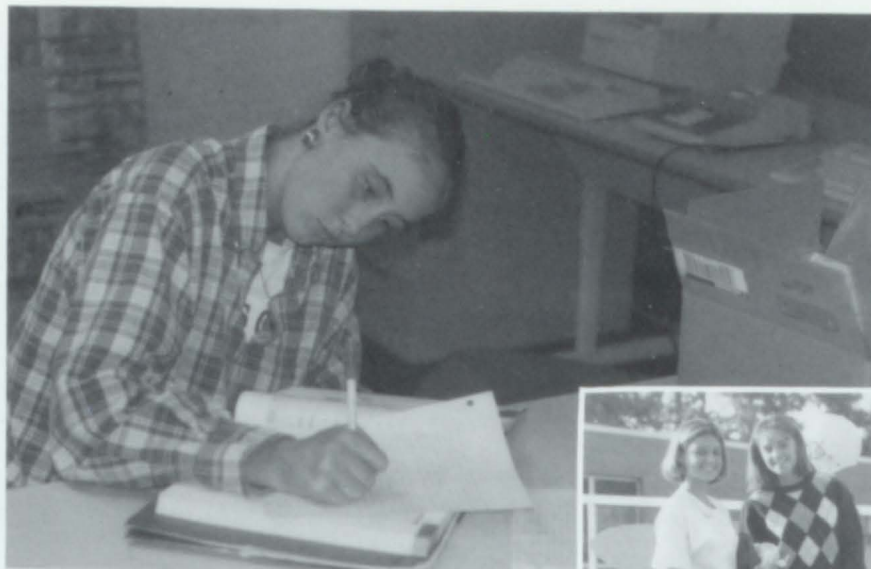
*How do you
measure a year
in the life?*



HOW DO YOU MEASURE A YEAR? That is one question that is not often asked. Yet, nearly everyone somehow finds a way to break down the days of each year of their life. Hours, Days, Weeks, and Months are probably the most common measurements. Students may on the other hand, measure their year in school days and grading periods, and of course the very few, yet very appreciated days off. Yet, we cannot forget the simpler things that measure our lives. Just think about how many hours in one year we spend talking with friends between classes, or how many cokes we consume before and after school. Whether or not we can determine what measures this year, 1997, it will continue to go by just the same, and if we aren't careful it will go by all too soon.

CHELSEA MCINTYRE, like so many of the other students, spends extra time in Mr. Cevin Collins' office. Whether students need to make schedule changes, fill out college applications, or just find somebody to talk to, the guidance office is often the place to be.

TOAST THE RAIDERS was the theme of the sophomore class float for the fall homecoming parade. Amelia Sebree, Andrea Payne, Chad Morgan, Eric Vogel, and Meredith Stephens worked with the rest of their class to win first place.



NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY- SEVEN

*The year
has
begun,
and there
is no
turning
back.*



"I know I have had a good year as a high school
principal :

...when students say SSHS is a good place to
learn, socialize, and plan for their future.

...when teachers say they are being challenged,
encouraged, and supported by administrators.

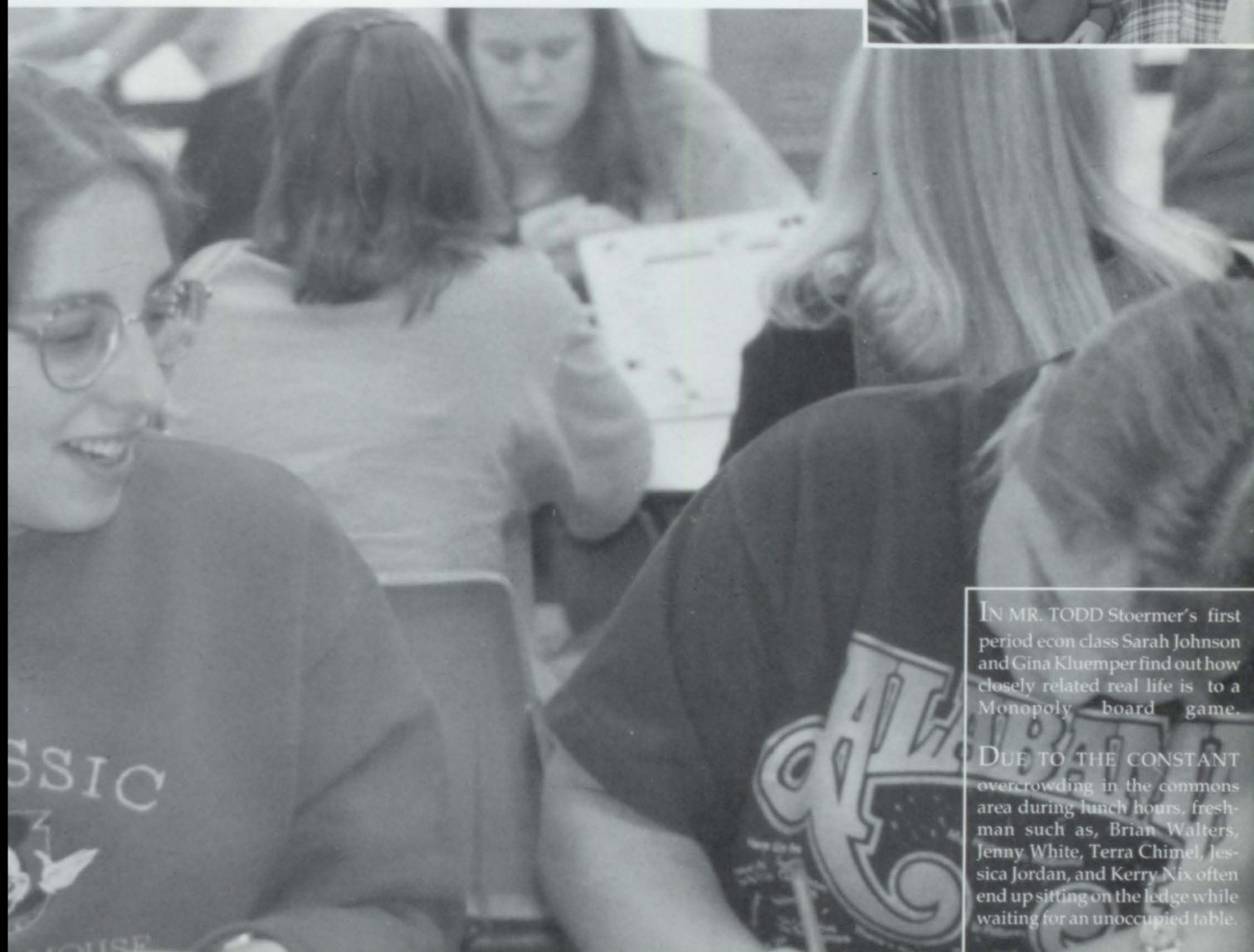
...when faculty and staff are working
cooperatively to provide students the best
opportunities possible at SSHS.

...when parents say they are proud of their
"rebels" accomplishments."

DR. BART McCANDLESS

"With all of the activities
going on this year, it's
making the year go by
really fast. That is some-
thing I don't like because
I love to spend time with
my friends."

JENNIFER THOMAS



IN MR. TODD Stoermer's first
period econ class Sarah Johnson
and Gina Kluemper find out how
closely related real life is to a
Monopoly board game.

DUE TO THE CONSTANT
overcrowding in the commons
area during lunch hours, fresh-
man such as, Brian Walters,
Jenny White, Terra Chimel, Jes-
sica Jordan, and Kerry Nix often
end up sitting on the ledge while
waiting for an unoccupied table.



THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE DAYS LIVING IN RURAL AMERICA

*When you
start to see
gravel roads,
barns,
and cornfields,
you know
you have entered
Southern
Indiana.*



DURING THE FALL season one of the most popular things for students to do on Friday nights is to go to football games. While recovering from a broken ankle, Eric Lindauer watched from the sideline.

FOR THE CLASS OF '97, it's a tradition to climb the grain bin at Sara Hurm's house every year while working on the float for the Fall Homecoming parade. Although Sara was too afraid to climb up in the past, she decided that because she was a senior, it would be her last chance. After Clint Wetherill and Joni Wade had already made their way to the top, Sara bravely followed.

OKAY, IT'S TRUE. Occasionally, time seems to stand still when a person lives in rural America. There are no shopping malls or fast food restaurants on every street. In fact some streets are not even paved. Yet, there seems to be something about living in a small town that keeps people from staying away for long. Maybe it is the security of always knowing that wherever you go, you will see a familiar face. Maybe, it is true that there is no place like home. Perhaps, it is just the simple fact that in a world that is always changing, it's nice to know that there are places where some things will remain the same.

One thing that has yet to change in our area is cruising Main Street. There is just something about making those U-turns in front of the police station. Yet when it rains, there is an even better place for driving. Being so close to the Ohio River, during rainy seasons the back-roads along the river bottoms are a perfect place for "muddin." However, if you do happen to get stuck in the mud, you can always count on a farmer with a tractor that is willing to help you out (or at least an angry farmer with a shot gun).

"Down by the River" is not only a favorite spot to go "muddin," but it's also the name of a favorite cheer. One thing that will never change, is Mr. Bill Wood's ability to liven up an entire student body with his famous river song. That is just one of the things about Mr. Wood that will never change. He will always be in a good mood when the school serves beef stew and cinnamon rolls for lunch (*cont. pg. 9*).



1. HOMECOMING WEEK is a time to show school spirit, a time to get involved, and for Jason Higdon and Justin Robinson, it is a time to be the center of attention. On Hillbilly Day hardly anyone could look at this duo without laughing.

2. ALTHOUGH OUTSIDERS may think that everyone that lives in rural Indiana may dress like a farmer every day, it's actually only during homecoming week that those like Alissia Lauer dare to come to school wearing straw hats and pigtailed.

3. "IF ONLY HAD A BRAIN" was the song that Jenny Sullivan would sing if she were actually the scarecrow from the "Wizard of Oz".

4. THE FOREIGN LANGUAGE tailgate party, sponsored by the French and German classes, was a big success. About fifty students showed up before a football game to taste foreign foods.

LUNCH IS ALWAYS more fun when spent with friends. Gretchen Bunner, Andrea Bruggenschmidt, Rebecca Fulks, Jennifer Embry, Christina Heminokkey, and Melanie Brauns are prime examples.

KEEPING TRACK of sports for the *Spencerian* is one Zack Shelton's main jobs while in yearbook. He has been a co-editor of the sports section for two years.



*Five hundred
twenty-five thou-
sand six hundred
minutes make up
one year.*



HOW
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ONE?

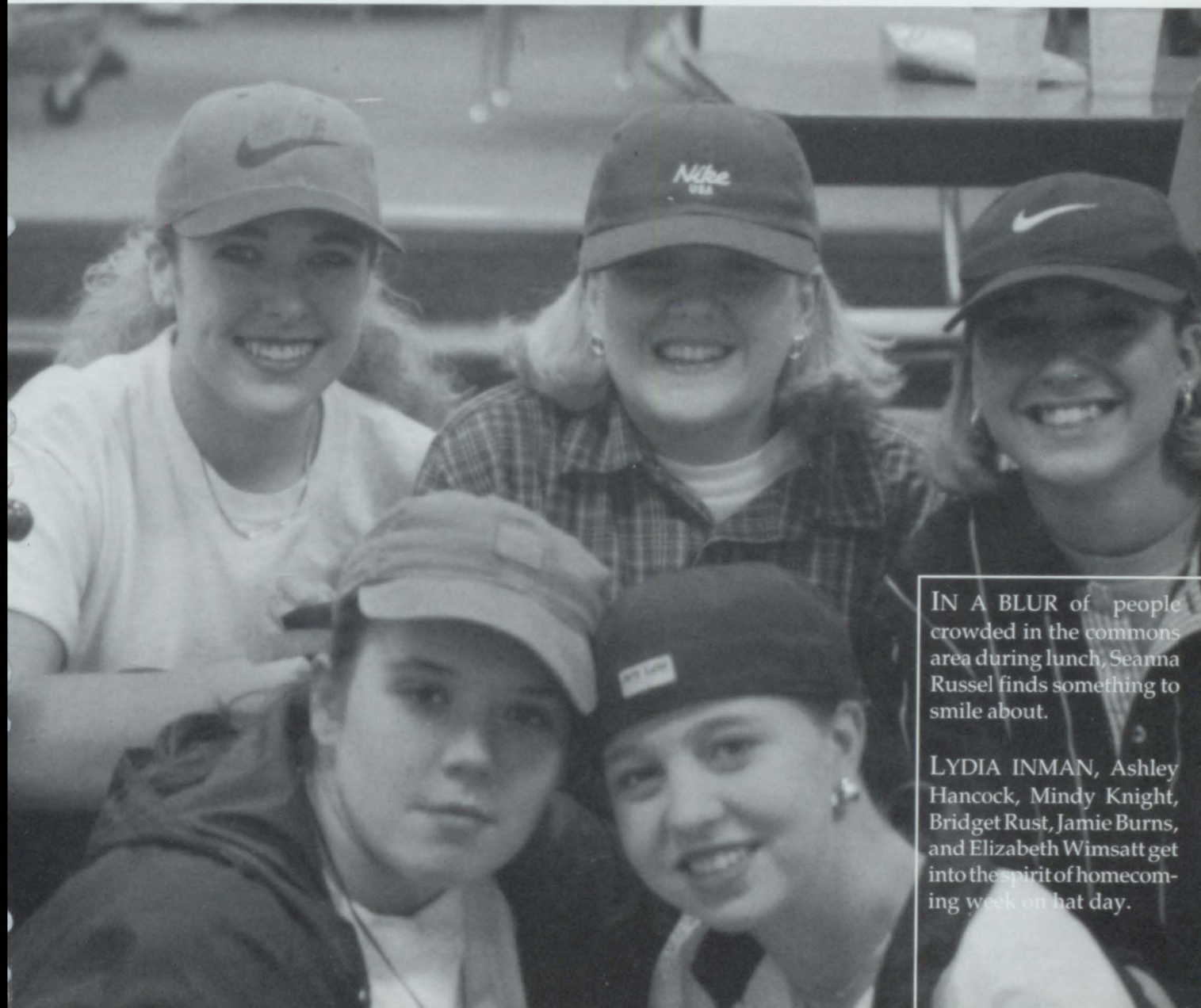


(cont. pg. 6) He will always be an IU fan, and without a doubt he will always be a part of South Spencer.

So, YES, it's true. Time does seem to go by slowly when you live in a small town, and every moment may not be as exciting as those spent in a big city. But, with only five-hundred twenty-five thousand six-hundred minutes in a year, each moment should be cherished. Whether you're watching a movie at the drive-in, or waiting for your food at the Dairy Queen enjoy the time you have. Believe it or not, some day you may miss the convenience of being only ten minutes away from everything in your town. In fact, there are probably a lot of things that you will miss. Although homework is not one of them, in twenty years, the moments spent at school, may be the very ones you miss the most.

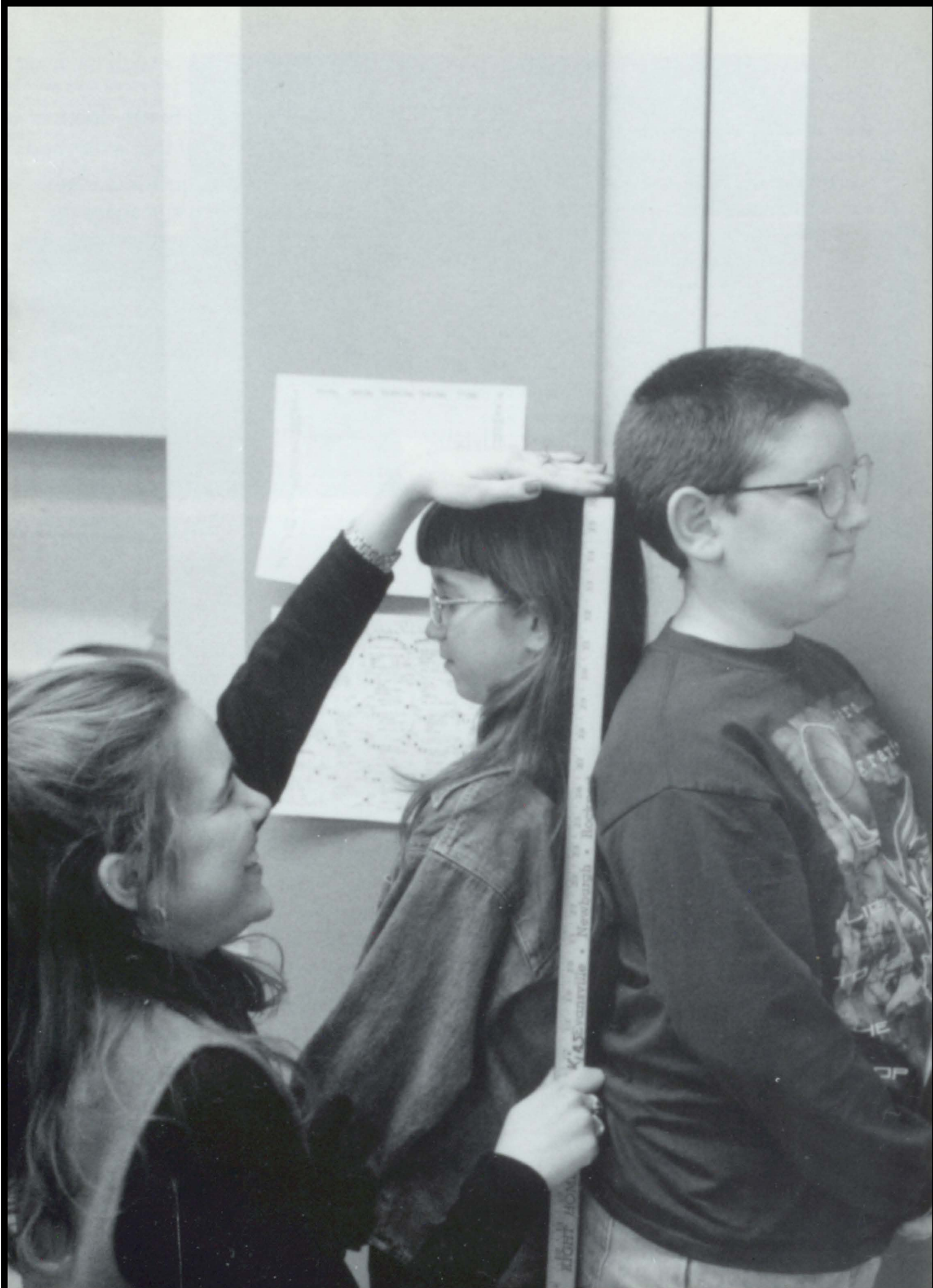
"We like going to South Spencer because it's so small that everybody knows your name, just like *Cheers*."

JASON HIGDON & JUSTIN ROBINSON



IN A BLUR of people crowded in the commons area during lunch, Seanna Russel finds something to smile about.

LYDIA INMAN, Ashley Hancock, Mindy Knight, Bridget Rust, Jamie Burns, and Elizabeth Wimsatt get into the spirit of homecoming week on hat day.



HOW WILL WE GROW IN ONE YEAR?

WHEN GOING OUT into the "real world," Julie Biggs will take with her not only the vast amount of knowledge all students get out of Mr. Todd Stoermer's economics class, but also a get out of jail free card.



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STUDENT LIFE

Being a part of small school is an advantage for most students. Not only do small schools create a homelike atmosphere, but they also provide a more personalized education. Another advantage is that students already know their classmates. Classrooms aren't filled with strangers, but with childhood friends. Although at times one may find this to be a disadvantage, many find it comforting to know that their closest friends are often only a desk away.

For many, the hardest thing about being a part of a small school such as our own, is leaving. While students often speak of their readiness to "get away," the majority of them know that deep down, they are not as ready as they may say. For some students, it is scary having to leave the familiarity and security of the place that has become (whether students want to admit to it or not) their second home.

1997

DURING WHAT would be her sixth period study hall, Emily Young visits Mrs. Lanita Adkins' third grade class at Luce Elementary School as a cadet teacher. This is the first year for cadet teaching. Students help teachers of the grade of their preference. Their duties range from reading to students, decorating the rooms, or even preparing students for spelling tests. "I think that this experience will prepare me for life outside of highschool", says Emily.

NICK KIRCHGESSNER and Sara Hurm were crowned Football Homecoming Prince and Princess 1996. They were crowned by Stephanie Birchler, Student Council secretary. Sara said, "It was an honor to be chosen for the Court, let alone be chosen as Princess. It was really overwhelming."



UNDERCLASSMEN COURT:
FRONT ROW: Ryan Harris,
Mike Curtis, Jeremy Joiner,
Aaron Brandenberger, Josh
Adamic, Matt North, BACK
ROW: Jasmine Edwards, Mindy
Knight, Rebecca Todd, Andrea
Payne, Jennifer Koester, Kari
Lillpop.

ERIC WINKLER SHOWS his
Rebel Pride by pulling the se-
nior float with his John Deere in
the Homecoming Parade. The
parade took place the Thursday
night before the homecoming
game. He says in order to under-
stand how much fun it is to pull
a float, you have to do it yourself
and also be driving a John Deere.



They've Got Spirit!

HAT DAY
Meredith Ruark and Jason E. Blair

HILLBILLY DAY
Joni Wade and Justin Robinson

DRESS-UP DAY
Jenny Small and Kam Cron

NIKE DAY
Jennifer Deweese and Drew Driskell

REBEL SPIRIT DAY
Stephanie Birchler and Drew Driskell



KING AND QUEEN, KamCron and Christina Heminokey were crowned before the homecoming football game against Southridge. They were crowned by Joni Wade, Student Council President.

Homecoming, *it's a time to make* **MEMORIES**

Homecoming is a time to make special memories, and plenty were made during the week of September 16-20. As usual, the cheerleaders arranged a week of theme days. The purpose of these days was to get the students involved and fired up about Homecoming.

The Booster Club sponsored a parade on Thursday evening. Another tradition, the float decorating contest was also held on Thursday. The freshmen took first place with their theme, "Diehard Rebels." In second were the sophomores with "Toast the Raiders." The juniors' "Rebel Train" earned them third place. Then came the seniors. Who will ever forget that group of seniors who rode down Main Street in a row boat, singing "Row, Row, Row Over the Raiders," and took fourth Place.

A traditional Bonfire was held after the parade. The students were led by the cheerleaders through cheers and games. It almost seemed as though the seniors had been training for the event, for they took a first in almost everything. The only event that they were not victorious in was the three-legged race. Although the attendance of the Bonfire was lower than it has been in the past, it seemed to be a success, along with the rest of Homecoming Week.

SENIOR COURT
FRONT ROW: Kam Cron, Corey Lampkins, Kyle Stallings, Jeremy Eble, Kayla Hayden, Jeffery Joiner, Nick Kirchgessner, SECOND ROW: Sara Hurm, Christina Heminokey, Andrea Bruggenschmidt, Missy Garrett, Amee Sarver.



Halloween Veterans Day Thanksgiving



TO SHOW HER Christmas spirit, Tiffany Wilson sported her original Santa's hat around the halls, and quoted "Ho, Ho, Ho Ya'll".

One thing about the holidays that everyone seems to enjoy, is the way that everyone comes together. For Halloween, the student council sponsored a costume contest. The student body participated by wearing costumes throughout the day.

On Veterans Day the entire school was brought together in the auditorium to listen to, Joe Vance, a World War P.O.W., speak of his experiences in the war. To end the program the Rebel Singers sang the fight songs for each of the branches of the armed forces.

As tradition goes, the junior class sponsored the Christmas Dance. This dance gives the student body a chance to dress up in semi-formal clothes and dance the night away with all their friends. The theme for this year's dance was "Sleighride to Midnight".

A new holiday tradition was started this year. On the last day of school before Christmas break, a student sing-along was held. The entire student body gathered in the auditorium to listen to Christmas carols in both English and foreign languages. Dr. Gerald York, along with Justin Rainwater and Eric Young, accompanied the foreign language classes on guitar. A special surprise was the staff "honors choir", who presented their new rendition of the Twelve Days of Christmas. There was also a special visit from the big man in red himself.

Holidays are something that everyone enjoys, especially when you can enjoy them with the people you know.

There's no place like home for the HOLIDAYS

LEAVE IT TO ROSE Heichelbech to be original; She chose to be a woodland fairy for Halloween. She along with Kathleen Blair and Missy White await the beginning of the costume parade.



Christmas Valentines Day Easter



HALLOWEEN

SCARIEST

Chris Valentine

UGLIEST

Jason Higdon

FUNNIEST

Andy Cross and Jason E. Blair

MOST

Jennifer Thomas,

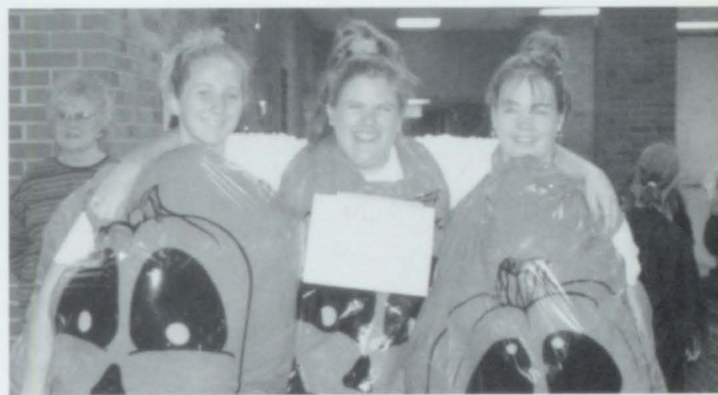
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Melissa Smith and Brandi Lashley

MR. GREG SITZMAN'S fifth period art class decked the halls when they turned the entrance of his classroom into *Santa's Shoppe*. FRONT ROW: Eric Young, Steven Hayslett, Mike Moore, Matt Rust, Whitney Adamson, and Patricia Cameron, SECOND ROW: Jason Taylor, Del Stephens, Shawn Chapman, Carrie Goldman, Amy Kincheloe, and John Roll, BACK

ROW: Jodie Bartlett, Adam Hall, Amanda Sebree, Chris Morrison, and Mr. Greg Sitzman.

AFTER VISITING Jenny Craig, Melissa Smith shows off her slim figure, while her fat pumpkin friends, Jennifer Thomas and Brandi Lashley, stand by congratulating her on her success.



MR. LARRY RENSCHLER felt that it would add excitement to the Veteran's Day Program if the United States Army paratroopers opened the ceremony by landing on the fifty yard line of our football field. Unable to perform that task, they awarded Mr. Renschler with a hat.

What's New In 1997

DR. BART McCANDLESS

One of the biggest changes of the 96-97 school year was the arrival of a new principal. Dr. Bart McCandless, the fourth principal in the school's history, has worked in the field of education for twenty four years. For twelve years he has served as a principal. He has taught health, P.E., and has coached basketball, baseball, track and swimming. In high school McCandless played basketball, football, baseball, and track, and he also played basketball and baseball in college.

Born in Oakland City, Indiana, McCandless is the first and only member of his family to receive a college education. He paid his way through school by working as a assistant manager at both McDonalds and Ayr-Way sporting goods. He earned his B.A. at Anderson University, and his Masters Degree and Doctorate Degree at Indiana State University. By Jennifer Langdon

MR. WAYNE BOULTINGHOUSE

Our new athletic director, administrative assistant, and girls' basketball coach, Mr. Wayne Boultinghouse, was born and raised here in Rockport. He attended Rockport High School and was formerly a Rockport Zebra.

In high school, Boultinghouse participated in every sport offered, which consisted of football, basketball, baseball, and even track. After graduating from Rockport, he received a basketball scholarship to the University of Evansville, where he pursued a teaching degree.

Boultinghouse's new job takes a lot of time and energy, but he says he could not be in his position and not have a great love for children.

Boultinghouse resides in Owensboro with his wife Billie and their three daughters. By Allison Like



A SPECIAL CEREMONY was held at the court house in Rockport to welcome AK Steel to Spencer County. Before the ceremonies began, Dr. Bart McCandless and Mr. Wayne Boultinghouse took time to answer several questions from both students and local interviewers.

MRS. JOAN WILSON

Mrs. Joan Wilson is our new choral music teacher. She formerly taught music at Luce Elementary before coming to the high school. She says that coming to the high school is more of a challenge and that she can do more with high school students. Mrs. Wilson is married and has four children. Her husband is the pastor at Hatfield Bethal Church. She graduated from Brescia College in Owensboro, Kentucky. She has a Bachelor's Degree in music grades K-12, and elementary grades 1-6. By Michelle Lorenz

MRS. BERTIE AYER

Mrs. Bertie Ayer is the guidance department's new secretary. She graduated from SSHS in 1970, and attended Owensboro Business College. She then moved to Huntingburg. Eight years later she moved back to Rockport. After she settled, she began looking for a job. She wanted to get back in touch with the community, so she decided to take a position at the high school.

She is married to Randy Ayer and has four children. Her daughter, Amanda, attends Indiana State University. Her son Ben is a junior at SSHS. She also has a set of twins, Dusty and Drew, who are in the sixth grade at SSMS. By Haley Warren

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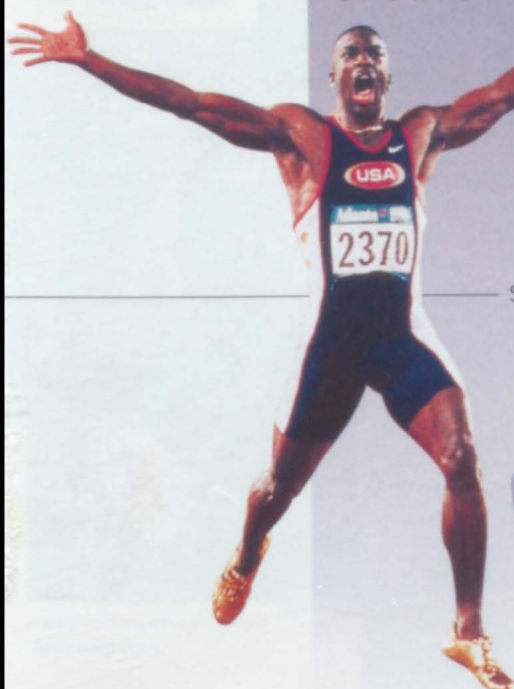
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In November, a hijacked Ethiopian airliner crashes after running out of fuel. The crash occurs near a resort beach in the Comoros Islands in the Indian Ocean. At least 123 of the 175 people on board die, including the hijackers.

After 36 years, Central America's longest civil war ends when Indian rebels and military leftists sign a truce in Guatemala.

British Telecommunications agrees to purchase MCI Communications for up to \$21 billion in November. The deal is the biggest foreign purchase of a U.S. company ever concluded.

A U.N.-negotiated treaty banning chemical weapons worldwide is set to take effect in the spring. The treaty prohibits the development, production, stockpiling or use of chemical weapons, and calls for the destruction of existing supplies. The treaty is signed by 160 nations, including the U.S.



Alija Izetbegovic, leader of Bosnia's Muslim Party of Democratic Action, is elected chairman of the country's new three-person presidency in September. The election is held in accordance with provisions of the U.S.-brokered Dayton peace agreement.

AP/Wide World



The Miss World beauty pageant, held in Bangalore, India in November, raises a storm of protests, some violent, including one by a group threatening to stage a mass suicide during the pageant's telecast. A new Miss World is crowned without incident.



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Demonstrators gather in Toronto, Canada on October 25 to protest cutbacks in social services by the Ontario government. Thousands of people march through the city during "Metro Days of Action," organized by labor and social activists.



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A pipe bomb explodes in Centennial Olympic Park after the first day of competition at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Flags fly at half-mast to mourn the 1 person killed and more than 100 injured.



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In a group so large it could be tracked by satellite, hundreds of thousands of refugees abandon camps in Zaire in November and begin a journey home to Rwanda, which they had fled to escape a civil war. Closing of the camps forces the refugees to flee.

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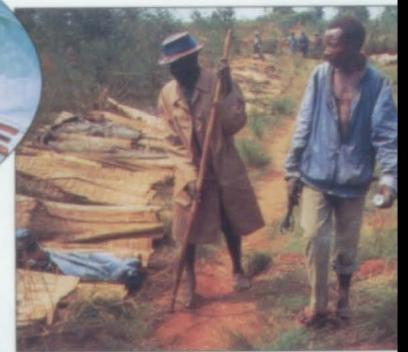
Mass graves containing the bodies of Muslims, allegedly murdered by Serbs in 1992 during the Bosnian civil war, are excavated in Bosnia-Herzegovina throughout the year as a shaky peace negotiated in 1995 continues.



Agence France-Presse

On July 17, Trans World Airlines Flight 800 explodes 13,700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean, killing all 230 passengers and crew members. The Boeing 747-100 was en route to Paris from New York. The cause of the explosion remains a mystery.

Anti-American Saudi terrorists are blamed for a truck bomb that kills 19 U.S. service people on June 25 in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Mourners grieve at a memorial service held in Khobar, Saudi Arabia.



More than 300 Tutsi refugees in the African country of Burundi are slain by Hutus, a rival ethnic group. The covered bodies, mostly women and children, illustrate the ferocity of the conflict.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, and Diana, Princess of Wales, are divorced on August 28. According to one observer, "The most spectacularly miserable marriage of the century is over."



Tim Graham, Sygma

A lone gunman kills 16 kindergartners, their teacher, and then himself, at a Dunblane, Scotland school in March 1996. A month after the tragedy, officials tear down the school gymnasium in which the shootings occurred.

Israeli right-wing leader Benjamin Netanyahu wins the May 1996 election for Prime Minister, defeating Prime Minister Shimon Peres, whom many Israelis think is making too many concessions to Israel's Arab neighbors.



Tim Graham, Sygma

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Former U.N. ambassador Madeleine Albright is nominated for Secretary of State by President Clinton on December 5. Confirmed in office in January 1997, Albright is the first woman to head the State Department.

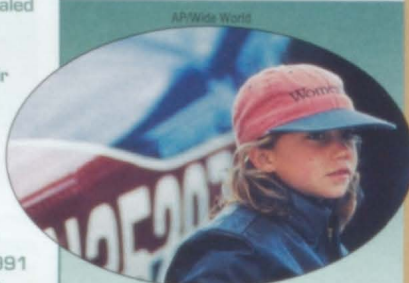
flash

The U.S. Army issues strict new policies for drill instructors and female trainees, as hundreds of complaints of sexual harassment are revealed in November. Drill instructors are now required to leave their doors open if a female is inside, and women must travel in pairs.

After thousands of veterans complain of illnesses since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, the Pentagon warns they may have been exposed to chemical weapons. The Pentagon reveals that up to two tons of sarin nerve gas may have been released.

Six-year-old beauty pageant queen JonBenet Ramsey is found murdered in the basement of her parents' Colorado home the day after Christmas. Her death raises a nationwide awareness of controversial youth beauty pageants.

Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich (R-Georgia) is fined \$300,000 in a bi-partisan vote after the House Ethics Committee's year-long investigation into alleged financial improprieties.



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Seven-year-old pilot Jessica Dubroff is killed when her Cessna airplane crashes shortly after take-off in bad weather from the Cheyenne, Wyoming airport. Her flying instructor and her father, the plane's two passengers, are also killed in the April 1996 crash.



Derek Pruit/Gamma Liaison



Theodore Kaczynski, alleged to be the "Unabomber," who killed 3 people and wounded more than 20 others with mail bombs since 1978, is arrested in Montana in April 1996. Information provided by Kaczynski's brother leads to the arrest.



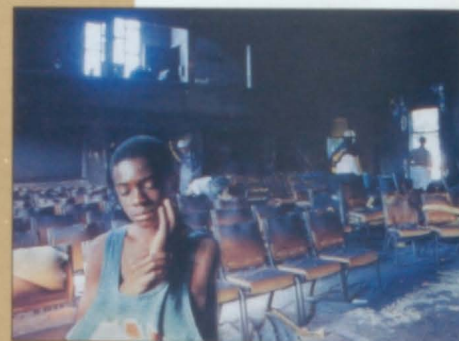
Robert Allison, Contact Press Images



Binti Jua, a gorilla at Chicago's Brookfield Zoo, becomes a hero when she rescues a 3-year-old boy knocked unconscious after falling 18 feet into the ape enclosure. The boy suffers brain contusions but soon recovers.



Arson against African-American churches, mostly in the South, is a serious problem in 1996, as hundreds of churches are burned down. Residents of Portland, Oregon survey the damage inside a church after a June fire.



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One of the longest armed stand-offs in U.S. history occurs outside Jordan, Montana between the FBI and members of an anti-government group calling itself the Freemen. The 81-day siege ends peacefully in June.



On August 11, a boater rescues 10-year-old Taylor Touchstone from the snake- and alligator-infested waters of a Florida swamp 14 miles away from where he disappeared August 7. Although exhausted and badly scratched, the autistic boy recovers fully.



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William Jefferson Clinton defeats Republican Bob Dole and Independent H. Ross Perot to become the 42nd president of the U.S. and the last president of the 20th century. Clinton is the first Democrat since Franklin Roosevelt to be reelected to a second term.



A civil jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson liable for the June 12, 1994 wrongful deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. In a unanimous verdict, the jury awards \$8.5 million in compensatory damages to Goldman's parents. The Brown and Goldman families are each awarded \$12.5 million in punitive damages.



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Days of abnormally heavy rains in November undermine the roadbed of Oregon's Interstate 5, creating a 40-foot-deep sinkhole, into which two semitrailer trucks tumble.



AP/Wide World



The Citadel, South Carolina's traditionally all-male military academy, admits four women, including Petra Loventinska (left) and Jeanie Montavios. Montavios and another female cadet later drop out, citing harassment and "sadistic" hazing.



AP/Wide World



Topsail Beach, a town on an island off the coast of North Carolina, is one of many Eastern locations hit hard by Hurricane Bertha in July. Six powerful hurricanes, all with winds over 110 miles per hour, made 1996 a near-record year doing \$3.5 billion in damage in the U.S.



Nationwide, forest fires blacken more than twice the acreage lost to fires in an average year. California, Montana and Oregon are particularly hard hit.



Kurt Miller, The Press-Enterprise



All 110 people aboard a ValuJet DC-9 are killed in May 1996 when a fire breaks out in the cargo hold. The plane, en route from Miami to Atlanta, crashes and disappears almost completely into the Florida Everglades, making it difficult for workers to retrieve wreckage.



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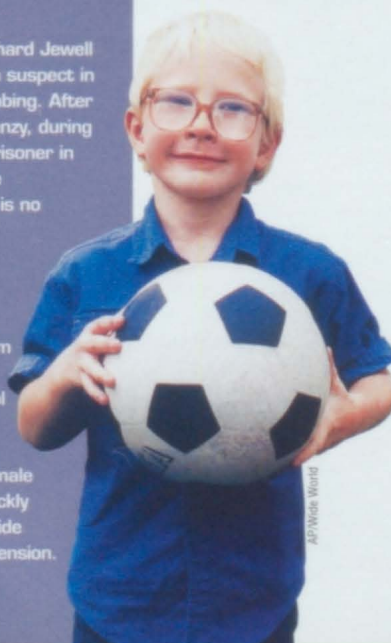
Security guard Richard Jewell is investigated as a suspect in the July Olympic Park bombing. After three months of media frenzy, during which Jewell is a virtual prisoner in his home, the U.S. Justice Department admits there is no evidence against him.



Schwarz, Gamma/Liaison



Six-year-old first-grader Johnathan Prevette is suspended from his Lexington, North Carolina elementary school for violating the city schools' sexual conduct guidelines—he kissed a female classmate. Prevette is quickly reinstated after a nationwide controversy over the suspension.



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flash

A 9,300-year-old skeleton discovered in July near Richland, Washington is the oldest and most intact set of human bones ever discovered in North America. Research is suspended, however, as the tribes from the Native American grounds where it is found claim the skeleton as an ancestor and want the bones buried.

Trauma Seal, a new medical adhesive that is applied like a lip-balm stick, is in clinical trials at 10 hospitals and health care institutions nationwide. The biodegradable adhesive could eliminate stitches and return visits.

New York Police Department canines begin wearing three-pound, infrared cameras, scouting out potentially dangerous areas before police officers enter the scene. Handlers are developing bullet-proof vests for the dogs to wear.

A new category of animal is discovered in the form of bacteria that live on the lips of lobsters. *Symbion pandora*, which lives on food scraps from lobster lips, is called "the zoological highlight of the decade."



Videogame giant Nintendo releases its long-awaited Nintendo 64, a new hardware system that draws players into the game and moves three times faster than any existing system.



An expedition to raise the *Titanic*, the legendary "unsinkable" ocean liner that sank on its maiden voyage in 1912, from its North Atlantic grave more than two miles deep, ends in failure in August due to rough seas.



In August, scientists discover evidence of bacteria-like life on a meteorite found in 1984 and believed to be part of the crust of Mars 4.5 billion years ago. It is the first possible proof that life is not unique to Earth.



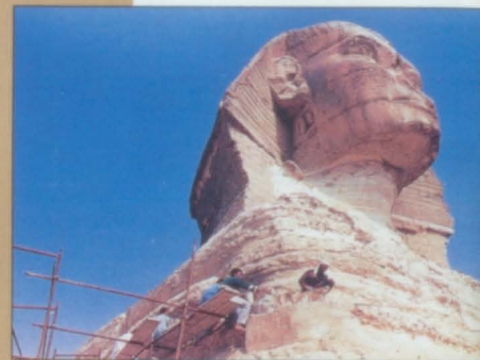
NASA



American astronaut Shannon Lucid (right) spends 188 days in space, breaking American space endurance records after joining the crew of the Russian space station *Mir*.



Egyptians begin work to preserve the Great Sphinx from the ravages of wind, pollution and time. The 4,500-year-old statue is located in Giza near the giant pyramids.



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NASA



The Mars Surveyor Trolley, named *Sojourner*, is carried on-board *Mars Pathfinder*, an unmanned spacecraft launched in December. *Sojourner*, a free-roving probe the size of a child's wagon, will photograph the Martian surface and determine the composition of rocks on Mars.



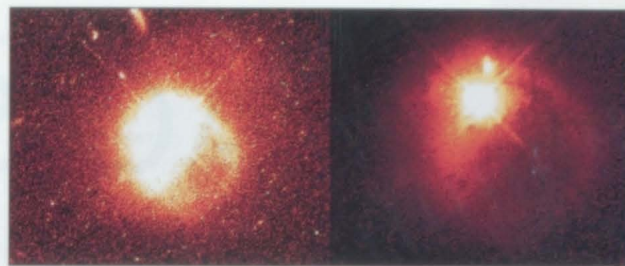
Satellite dishes become one of the year's hottest-selling electronic consumer products. Owners find the savings of not paying for cable services cover the cost within a few months.



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© 1996 Monterey Bay Aquarium, Photography by Randy Wilder



California's Monterey Bay Aquarium opens a new wing in March 1996. The million-gallon indoor ocean showcases the marine life of the outer reaches of Monterey Bay, 5 to 60 miles offshore.

The Hubble Space Telescope captures new images of quasars, the universe's most powerful and baffling phenomena. Previously thought only to exist in colliding galaxies, new pictures indicate quasars can also exist in undisturbed galaxies—causing astronomers to revisit their theories.



AP/Wide World

Steam and ash from Iceland's Laki volcano blast 33,000 feet in the air on October 9. Molten rock from the volcano's 5-mile-wide fissure melts through more than 2,000 feet of glacial ice, threatening the island with widespread flooding.



O. Spa Bar

An "oxygen bar" in Toronto, Canada allows patrons to pay \$16 to spend 20 minutes breathing pure oxygen. The owners of the O₂ Spa Bar claim the treatment is a healthy way to reinvigorate the body and offer fruit "flavors" to liven up the experience.



Smithsonian Institution

The Smithsonian Institution celebrates the 150th anniversary of its founding with a nationwide tour of prize exhibits, including this stovepipe hat worn by Abraham Lincoln.



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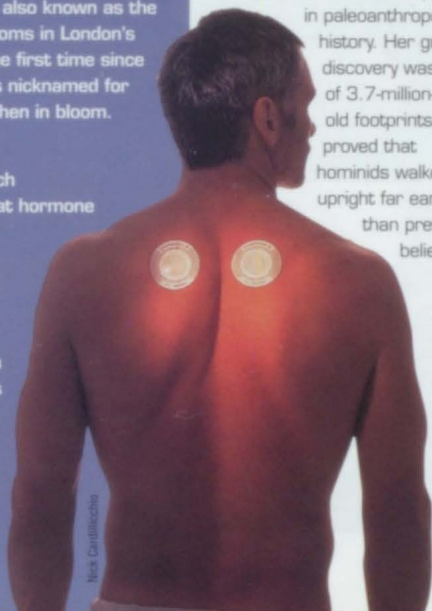
The world's largest flower, the Titan Arum, also known as the "corpse flower," blooms in London's Kew Gardens for the first time since 1963. The flower is nicknamed for its strong stench when in bloom.

New research suggests that hormone therapies can keep middle-aged men stronger and more youthful. A testosterone-releasing skin patch called Androderm is prescribed by many doctors to supplement the natural hormone.

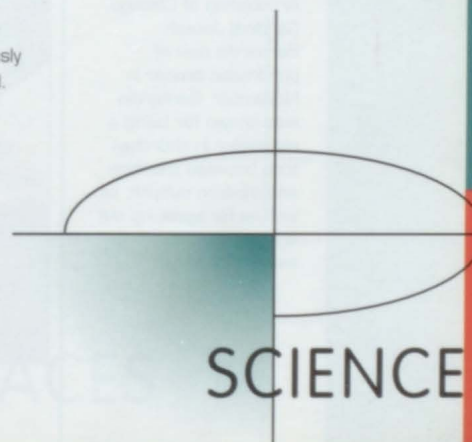
Paleoanthropologist Mary Leakey, shown with husband Louis Leakey in a 1959 photograph, dies in December. Discoveries by the Leakeys throughout their careers are some of the most important in paleoanthropological history. Her greatest discovery was a trail of 3.7-million-year-old footprints, which proved that hominids walked upright far earlier than previously believed.



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Former NFL commissioner Pete Rozelle dies on December 6. Rozelle is credited with transforming professional football into America's top spectator sport, and with inventing the Super Bowl.

Basketball megastar Michael Jordan launches his own cologne: Michael Jordan Cologne. Demand for the fragrance is so high that manufacturer Bijan Frangrances limits sales to 12 bottles per customer.


The ever-present Cindy Crawford releases a book on applying make-up. *Basic Face* enjoys a long run on the best-seller lists.

The National Women's Hall of Fame opens in Seneca Falls, New York, inducting 11 women, including author Louisa May Alcott, and Oleta Culp Hobby, the nation's first female colonel.

Archbishop of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin dies of pancreatic cancer in November. Bernardin was known for being a reconciler in churches torn between tradition and modern culture, as well as for speaking out against physician-assisted suicide.


Steven M. Falk, Gamma-Liaison



 Mother Teresa, 1979 Nobel Peace Prize winner, suffers a heart attack in late December. It is the 86-year-old Roman Catholic nun's fourth serious illness in 1996.

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 In April 1996, singer Michael Jackson is seen escorting a woman later identified as Debbie Rowe, an employee of Jackson's plastic surgeon. In November, Jackson announces that he and Rowe are married and that she is carrying his child.




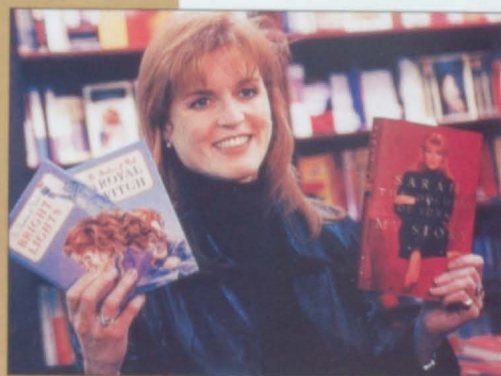
Steve Granitz, Reuters



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 "The Late Show" host David Letterman (right), who had been hinting at retirement, re-signs his contract with CBS, keeping him at "The Late Show" through 2002.


 Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, and Prince Andrew, Duke of York and son of Great Britain's Queen Elizabeth II, are divorced in May 1996. "Fergie" subsequently goes public with TV appearances and an autobiography.





AP/Wide World



AP/Wide World

 Regis Philbin appears with host Rosie O'Donnell on ABC's "The Rosie O'Donnell Show." The talk show, which premieres in 1996, gains quick popularity and respect.

 Music megastar Madonna gives birth to Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon, a 6-pound, 9-ounce girl, on October 14. Madonna's big year continues when she wins a Golden Globe for her role in Andrew Lloyd Webber's on-screen rendition of the musical *Evita*.

 In October, TV talk-show host Jenny Jones testifies during the Michigan murder trial of Jonathan Schmitz. Schmitz was accused of killing Scott Amedure, who revealed romantic feelings for Schmitz during a March 1995 taping of a "Jenny Jones Show."



AP/Wide World



Stephane Cardinale, Sygma

In a small, secret ceremony on an island off the coast of Georgia, John F. Kennedy Jr. marries Carolyn Bessette, a Calvin Klein publicist, in September. Kennedy, who dated Bessette for two years, had long been considered one of the world's most eligible bachelors.



AP/Wide World

New York Yankees fan Jeffrey Maier interferes with a fly ball during game one of the American League Championship Series on October 9. The hit is ruled a home run, tying the game 4 to 4 in the eighth inning and making Maier New York's hero for a day.



AP/Wide World

Legendary heavyweight boxer Muhammad Ali is the final athlete to bear the Olympic torch, lighting the Olympic flame at the opening of the Centennial Summer Olympics in Atlanta on July 19.



John F. Kennedy Library

More than 4,000 items owned by former First Lady Jacquelyn Kennedy Onassis and President John F. Kennedy are auctioned off in April 1996, including a necklace of simulated pearls shown in this 1962 photograph. The fake pearls, valued at \$500 to \$700, sell for \$211,500, bringing the auction total to \$34.5 million.



Veteran comedian George Burns dies in March 1996, just weeks after reaching the age of 100. The legendary Burns won an Oscar, an Emmy and a Grammy Award in an illustrious career dating back to vaudeville.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Miss Kansas, Tara Dawn Holland, is crowned Miss America at the 1996 pageant on September 14.



Universal City from Shooting Star

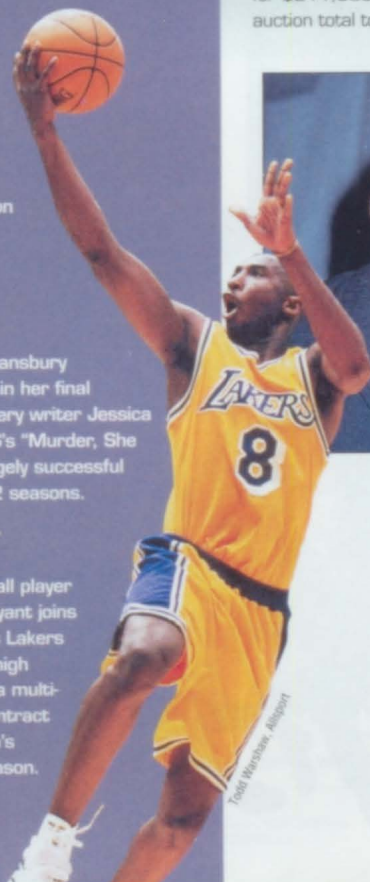
Angela Lansbury appears in her final season as mystery writer Jessica Fletcher on CBS's "Murder, She Wrote." The hugely successful show ran for 12 seasons.



Lee / Archive Photos

As a stand against the invasion of his privacy, George Clooney, star of NBC's "ER," boycotts Paramount's "Entertainment Tonight" after its sister show "Hard Copy" runs unauthorized footage of the actor's private life.

Basketball player Kobe Bryant joins the Los Angeles Lakers straight out of high school, signing a multi-million dollar contract during the team's 1996-1997 season.



Tony Womack, Allsport

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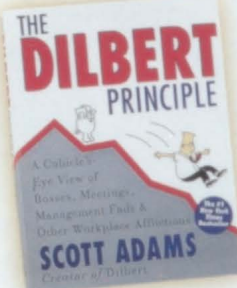
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Tom Cruise stars in *Jerry Maguire*, a romantic comedy about a sports agent who decides to change his shallow ways, and spends the rest of the movie trying to regain his success. It is a breakthrough role for Cruise, who is normally depicted as a cocky winner.

To honor the 20th anniversary of its release, producer George Lucas issues a "remade" *Star Wars*, with new scenes, computerized special effects and souped-up animation. Lucas' grand plan calls for a nine-film cycle, including prequels.

English actor/director Kenneth Branagh plays Hamlet in his star-studded remake of Shakespeare's classic. Despite running four hours, the movie is a critical and box-office success.

NBC's Thursday night drama "ER" features television's first HIV-positive prominent character. Jeanie Boulet, a physician's assistant played by Gloria Reuben, is relatively open about her condition and helps confront the stigma of AIDS.



Scott Adams' *Dilbert*, the comic strip about office politics, captures the nation's imagination. In book form, *The Dilbert Principle* becomes a national best-seller.

20th Century Fox from Shooting Star



Actors Winona Ryder and Daniel Day-Lewis star in *The Crucible*, which opens in December. The screen adaption of Arthur Miller's famous play about the Salem witch trials is written by Arthur Miller himself.



Sherry Stringfield, Dr. Susan Lewis on NBC's "ER," leaves the show at the peak of her character's popularity. In her final episode, when Dr. Mark Greene, played by Anthony Edwards, declares his love for Susan, the show garners its highest ratings ever.



Paramount Pictures from Kobal

Patrick Stewart (left) and Brent Spiner (right) star in *Star Trek: First Contact*, a movie featuring characters from the TV show "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

Drew Carey (left) finds TV stardom during the second season of ABC's "The Drew Carey Show," a zany sit-com about working-class characters in Cleveland, Ohio.



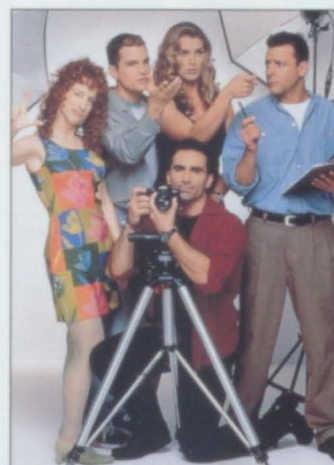
Warner Bros. TV from Shooting Star



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

Academy Award-winning actor Tom Hanks' first effort at directing receives critical praise when *That Thing You Do!*, a movie about the meteoric rise and fall of a 1960s rock band, opens in October.

Model Brooke Shields (center) moves to television in NBC's "Suddenly Susan," a sit-com premiering in September. Shields plays a columnist opposite magazine editor Judd Nelson (far right).



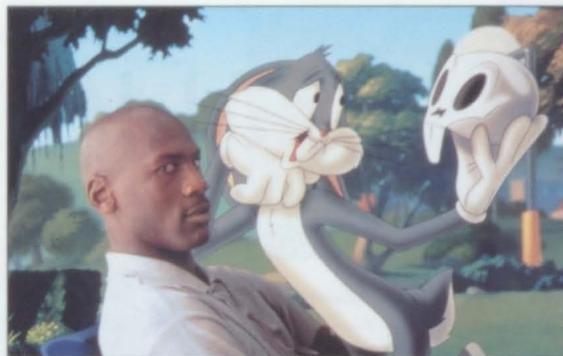
NBC from Shooting Star



Author Michael Crichton publishes *The Lost World*, a sequel to *Jurassic Park*, the colossal novel and movie. The new book promises to generate just as much hype, with a movie already in the works.



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star



Warner Bros. from KOBAL

Explosive special effects rivet audiences to their seats as they watch *Independence Day*, one of summer's blockbuster movies.

Bugs Bunny and Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan share top billing in *Space Jam*, a partially animated feature film that opens in late November.



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

In September, Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes star as the classic star-crossed lovers in the film *Romeo and Juliet*.



Paramount from Shooting Star

Tom Cruise stars in *Mission: Impossible*, based on the 1960s and '70s television series of the same name. Despite critical put-downs, the movie is a huge box-office hit.



NBC from Shooting Star

John Lithgow (front right) earns both an Emmy and a Golden Globe Award for Best Actor in a Comedy Series in NBC's "3rd Rock From the Sun," a sit-com about a family of aliens living in contemporary America.

Actors Brad Pitt (left) and Jason Patric star in *Sleepers*, a film about four men and their extraordinary scheme to revenge the abuse they experienced as boys. The controversial movie also stars Dustin Hoffman, Robert De Niro and Kevin Bacon.



Warner Bros. from KOBAL



CBS from Shooting Star

America's favorite sit-com father, Bill Cosby, enjoys the success of his new CBS show, "Cosby." In January 1997, however, tragedy strikes as Cosby's son Ennis is killed in Los Angeles in an apparent random robbery.



Stars Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt flee a tornado of awesome proportions in *Twister*, another summer blockbuster, which tells the story of storm chasers highly devoted to studying the inner workings of tornadoes.

Michael J. Fox returns to television in September as a deputy mayor in ABC's "Spin City," a sit-com about the inner workings of New York's City Hall.



Dream Works SKG from Shooting Star

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Folk and blues artist Tracy Chapman returns to the scene in 1996 with the single "Give Me One Reason." Chapman receives five Grammy nominations in January 1997.

The artist formerly known as Prince releases *Emancipation*, a three-hour, three-CD album, in honor of his release from his Warner Bros. recording contract.

Guitarist Slash of Guns N' Roses forms his own band. His new group, Slash's Blues Ball, is a six-man blues band grounded in the blues-based hard rock of the 1970s.

Rocker Sheryl Crow joins the ranks of musicians who have had their albums banned from Wal-Mart. The retail giant objects to a lyric alleging that kids kill each other with guns they obtained from the store.



The Beatles' *Anthology 3*, the third and final album from the reunited remaining members of the band, is released in November. Following the example of their two previous anthologies, *Anthology 3* sells in record numbers.



Gary Malhotra, LGI

Kiss bass guitarist Gene Simmons strikes a familiar pose as the band kicks off a reunion tour with a June 28 concert in Detroit. The tour marks the first time the original members of the band perform together since 1979.



Tim Moenichow, LGI

Canadian pop artist Celine Dion tops the charts in 1996 with the album *Falling Into You*, which sells more than 16 million copies worldwide.



Ripal, LGI

Alternative-rock band Nirvana releases a new album, *From the Muddy Banks of the Wishkah*, in October. The album contains 17 live tracks recorded between 1989 and the 1994 suicide of singer Kurt Cobain (right).



Shane Jennings, LGI



Jake Hupington, LGI

Bush, a British rock group with an American "grunge" sound, tours the U.S. to promote their album *Sixteen Stone*. They release another chart-topping album, *Razorblade Suitcase*, in the winter.



Wayne Lawrence, LGI

Heavy metal band Metallica is the headlining act for the summer concert Lollapalooza, traditionally an alternative-rock show. Metallica remains high-profile, winning an MTV award for the year's Best Hard Rock Video in September.



Readers Archive Photos

After 10 years of separation, members of the band Van Halen are reunited with their former lead singer, David Lee Roth (right), at the MTV Video Music Awards in September. Roth later claims he thought he was rejoining the band, who chose a different lead singer.



Steve Jennings, LGI

No Doubt, fronted by lead singer Gwen Stefani, releases *Tragic Kingdom*, which includes such chart-toppers as "Just a Girl," "Spiderwebs," and "Don't Speak."

Counting Crows' second album, *Recovering the Satellites*, is released in October. The long awaited follow-up to 1993's *August and Everything After* debuts at number one on the charts.



Adrian Starr, LGI

George Strait is honored by the Country Music Association in October with three major awards—Single of the Year for "Check Yes or No," Album of the Year for *Clear Blue Sky*, and Male Vocalist of the Year.



Tim Mossholder, LGI

The hit single "Where It's At" kicks off the new Beck album *Odelay*, which is released to popular and critical acclaim. *Spin* magazine awards Beck Artist of the Year.



Mike Hashimoto/REGI from LGI



Lisa Levine, LGI

Toni Braxton's second album, *Secrets*, is released in summer 1996. Braxton wins R&B Single of the Year for "Let It Flow" at the *Billboard* Music Awards in the fall.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Alanis Morissette's *Jagged Little Pill* reigns the charts, becoming the all-time top-selling album by a female artist. Morissette also dominates the 1996 Grammys by winning four awards, including Best Album.



David LaChapelle, Reuters

Death Row Records co-founder Dr. Dre, often dubbed the "godfather of 'gangsta' rap," begins distancing himself from hard-core rap. "Been There, Done That," his break-away anthem, premieres on MTV in September.



Adrian Starr, LGI

Fourteen-year-old singing sensation LeAnn Rimes is nominated for the Country Music Association's Horizon Award after the breakthrough success of her single "Blue." The popular new star is often compared to country music legend Patsy Cline.



AP/Wide World

The music world is stunned in September by the death of rapper Tupac Shakur, killed in a drive-by shooting in Las Vegas. Speculations as to the killer's motive abound, but the year ends with no answers and no arrests.



James L. Lance, LGI

R.E.M.'s 12th album, *New Adventures in Hi-Fi*, the group's first recording since 1994's *Monster*, is released by Warner Bros. in September.

The Wallflowers, with Jakob Dylan, son of legendary folk artist Bob Dylan, release *Bringing Down the Horse*, which features hit singles "One Headlight" and "6th Avenue Heartache."



Beck, LGI

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Tennis pro Pete Sampras wins the eighth grand-slam title of his career at the U.S. Open in September. Steffi Graf wins the U.S. Open Women's title, beating Monica Seles.

Pro boxer Mike Tyson loses his Heavyweight Champion of the World title to Evander Holyfield in a November match. Holyfield, a former two-time world champion, reclaims his title in the surprise win.

Chicago Bulls star Dennis Rodman furthers his controversial reputation by kicking a photographer in the groin during a game against the Minnesota Timberwolves in January 1997. Rodman is suspended for up to 11 games without pay, costing him more than \$1 million, in addition to a \$25,000 fine to the NBA, as well as a reported \$200,000 settlement with the photographer.

Baltimore Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar is suspended for five games, deferred to the 1997 season, when he spits on an umpire during a heated argument over a questionable call in the National League play-offs. Controversy ensues over the leniency of the punishment.

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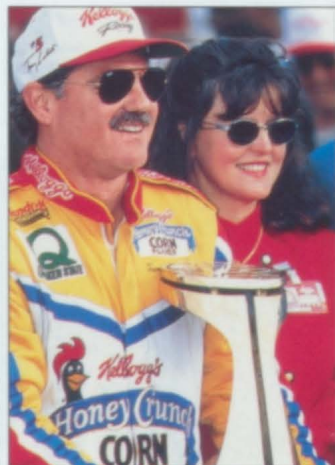


Team USA wins the World Cup of Hockey, beating Canada 5-2 in the final. Eight teams from Canada, Europe and the U.S. participate in the World Cup, which replaced the Canada Cup.

AP/Wide World



Twenty-year-old golfing phenom Eldrick "Tiger" Woods turns pro in August, making the transition from exceptional amateur golfer to well-endorsed professional, including a deal with Nike worth an estimated \$40 million.



Craig Jones, Allsport



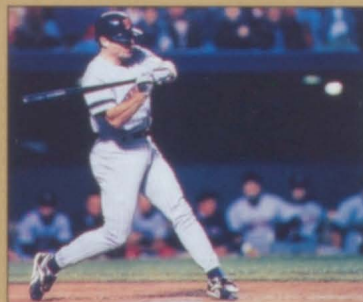
Al Bello, Allsport

The New York Yankees win the World Series, beating the Atlanta Braves in a four-game sweep, after losing the first two games. It is the first series title for the Yankees since 1978.

In June, the Colorado Avalanche beat the Florida Panthers in the NHL Stanley Cup play-offs. The final game in the series remains scoreless until 1:05 a.m., when the Avalanche finally score the winning goal in the third overtime period.



Al Bello, Allsport



Reuters/Archive Photos

Paul Molitor of the Minnesota Twins becomes the 21st player in major league history to reach 3,000 career hits. The milestone is reached in September, when Molitor triples against Kansas City Royals rookie pitcher Jose Rosado.

Race car driver Terry Labonte wins NASCAR's Winston Cup championship with a total of 4,657 points after finishing fifth in the final race, the Napa 500, at the Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Led by quarterback Brett Favre, the Green Bay Packers beat the New England Patriots 35-21 in Super Bowl XXXI at the Louisiana Superdome. It is the Packers' first Super Bowl since 1968.



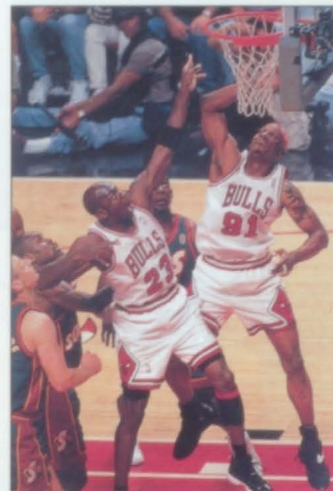
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The U.S. women's gymnastics team takes the gold at the Summer Olympics. Kerri Strug, second from right, is the heroine of the competition, landing her final vault despite a dislocated left ankle.

U.S. swimmer Amy Van Dyken wins the women's 100-meter butterfly event at the Olympic Games with a time of 59.13 seconds. Van Dyken wins a total of four golds.



AP/Wide World

The Chicago Bulls win their fourth NBA championship in six years as they defeat the Seattle SuperSonics in game six of the NBA finals on June 16.



Al Bello, Allsport

U.S. Olympian Dan O'Brien racks up 8,824 points to take the gold medal in the decathlon, a grueling, 10-event track-and-field competition.

April 1996 marks the 100th running of the Boston Marathon. More than 38,000 contenders participate.



AP/Wide World

Olympic swimmer Tom Dolan captures another gold for the U.S. as he wins the 400-meter individual medley on July 21. Dolan wins with a time of 4:14.90.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Minnesota Twins star centerfielder Kirby Puckett announces his retirement from baseball in July. A serious eye ailment forces Puckett to give up the game, but he manages to maintain his upbeat attitude at press conferences and interviews.



Al Bello, Allsport

U.S. Olympian Michael Johnson wins the 200-meter final in a world-record time of 19.32 seconds. Johnson's triumph comes three days after he wins the 400-meter race, making him the first man to win both events in one Olympics.

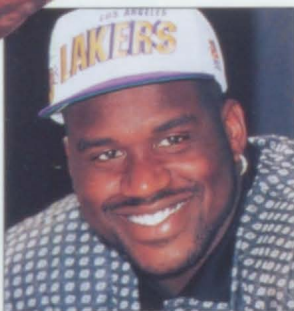


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Jean Driscoll (front right) of the U.S. takes the silver in the women's 800-meter wheelchair race, a demonstration sport, at the Summer Olympics. Driscoll, seven-time winner of the Boston Marathon, retires at the end of 1996, after setting several world records during her career.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Basketball star Shaquille O'Neal jumps from the Orlando Magic to the Los Angeles Lakers in July. The deal is the richest in NBA history, paying O'Neal \$120 million over 7 years.

LIFESTYLE

flash

Helping consumers maintain privacy, marketers promote home AIDS tests. Consumers draw their own blood and then send it away to be tested confidentially.

Advancing technology means more options on telephones, including Caller ID, which becomes more common than ever in 1996. The display unit allows people to see the name and number of their caller before even answering the phone.

Authors Ellen Fein and Sherrie Schneider release *The Rules*, a controversial manual teaching women strategies for getting a man to propose marriage. While the book draws criticism from both sexes, it is a best-seller.

The U.S. Postal Service issues stamps commemorating Hanukkah, the first non-Christian religious holiday ever featured on a stamp.

Casual Fridays become more and more widespread in American work culture. Businesses allow employees who normally dress in professional clothing at work to wear more comfortable, casual clothing on Fridays.



A "Sesame Street" stuffed toy causes panic among holiday shoppers. Tickle Me Elmo sells out in stores nationwide, and has shoppers fighting over scarce inventory and paying hundreds of times the toy's value.

My Twinn Doll Company



The My Twinn Doll Company offers individually crafted dolls that replicate, from a photo, the eye color, hair and facial features of a living girl. Each doll comes with two matching outfits, one for the doll and one for the owner.

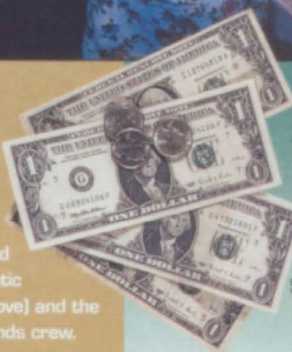


Nail polish colors get darker and funkier: Deep browns and blues are popular forms of expression and style.



Monica Almeida, NYT Picture

The ongoing dance craze is the "Macarena," a Latin line dance. People of all ages participate in the dance, including Olympians, delegates and workers of the Democratic National Convention [above] and the New York Yankees grounds crew.



The minimum wage is raised to \$4.75 in October, and will increase again to \$5.15, effective September 1, 1997.



The beverage industry introduces a new concept—bottled water with caffeine! One bottle of the uncarbonated water contains as much caffeine as one cup of coffee.

Disney's 101

Dalmatians inspires an avalanche of promotional merchandise, filling stores with spotted toys, backpacks, games and other odds and ends.



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THE FLOOD OF 1997

What's Making History In 1997

"Attention everyone! The National Guard is asking for volunteers..."

Mr. Wayne Boultinghouse's call for help from the student body was answered when 189 students signed up and left to go help in the flood relief.

Between all the students that participated during school hours, 2214 hours of sandbagging was accomplished. The students were split into two main groups. They worked in shifts filling and loading the sandbags for two days.

The students' hard work saved many houses and businesses from severe water damage during the Flood of 1997.



WHAT WEIGHS 45 POUNDS and flies? Sandbags, but only around Ike Stewart and Rickey McCoy. They got the job of loading sandbags onto a truck, done in record time.

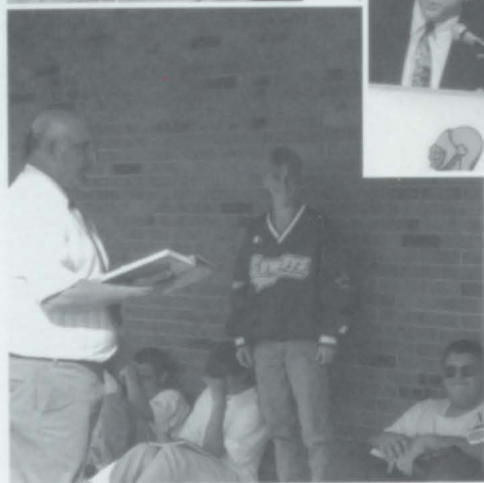


THE ARRIVAL of the new AK Steel plant in Rockport brought together Governor Frank O'Bannon, Mayor Joe Greene, and Richard M. Wardrop, President CEO of AK Steel, to the welcome ceremony held at the court house.



AFTER THIRTY THREE years of coaching and teaching, Mr. Jim Haaff announces his retirement. Mr. Haaff leaves behind a legacy at South Spencer, along with this advice, "No matter what you do, do your very best". Mr. Haaff, you will be missed by your friends, here at S.S.H.S..

DURING THE FIRST South Spencer Beta Club inductions, Mr. Todd Stoermer accepted an award for his father, Mr. Bob Stoermer, who was posthumously honored as the honorary Beta Club member of 1997.



"It rained for days and we knew the river was rising, little did we know how quickly it was coming!... Neighbors had boats docked to their porches and the National Guard and the Police patrolled Grandview from dusk till dawn, while all we could do was sit and wait."

BRIDGETTE RUST



THE NATIONAL GUARD'S Humvees were needed to help save Grandview and Rockport from the raging waters of the Ohio River.



MANY FAMILIES WERE forced to pack up their belongings and leave their homes that fell victim to the flood. Driving cars was not an option, after Governor Frank O'Bannon declared that Spencer County and the surrounding areas were in a state of emergency.



189 STUDENTS DID 2,214 hours of volunteer sandbagging during school hours. Here, Candice Jackson and Lori Worthwein fill a sandbag at Luce Elementary.



THE FLOOD BROUGHT out the best in many. Friends and neighbors worked around the clock to help in the evacuations.

MR. CLINT WETHERILL and Miss Joni Wade were crowned 1997 Basketball Homecoming King and Queen. Clint said, "It was a big honor, and it made a great ending for my senior year."



Winter Homecoming, a time for CELEBRATION

HOMECOMING WEEK Things were done a little differently this year. Although, the tradition of the theme days carried on, there were no winners declared. Monday was scrounge day; Tuesday was favorite color day; Wednesday was favorite college day; Thursday was clash day, and in honor of Valentine's Day, Friday was heart day.

THE CROWNING Miss Melissa Garrett, member of student council, crowned the 1997 Basketball Homecoming Prince and Princess. The student body chose Zack Shelton and Rebecca Fulks to fill these titles. It was Miss Sara Hurm, vice-president of student council, who crowned the King and Queen. Clint Wetherill and Joni Wade were chosen to lead the Winter Royalty.

THE GAME The homecoming game was played against Wood Memorial. Our Rebels defeated the Trojans 62-43. Justin Fischer was the leading scorer with 22 points. Trailing close behind was Brad Ayer with 17 points, and Bobby Sarver with 14 points.



SENIOR COURT

FRONTROW: Rebecca Fulks, Valarie Bryant, Joni Wade, Gretchen Bunner, Chelsea McIntyre. SECOND ROW: Nick Beckort, Scott Morgan, Clint Wetherill, Matt Wroe, Zack Shelton.





ZACK SHELTON and Rebecca Fulks were crowned the 1997 Basketball Homecoming Prince and Princess.

UNDERCLASSMEN COURT
FRONT ROW: Nicole Schulte, Samantha Morris, Lori Wright, Laura Wood, Carrie Parsley,
BACK ROW: Greg Keith, Chad Morgan, Mike Wilson, Andy Cross, Brandon Phillips.



BROOKE SINGER and Christy Siddons compare the gifts they received on Valentine's Day. This year the winter homecoming dance fell on Valentine's Day, which made the day more festive.

DURING THE HOME-COMING pep session, Mr. Wood and his "Rebel Spellers" made sure that the basketball team knew they were loved. As Mr. Wood called out each letter of "We love Rebels", students would drop to the floor and make the letters with their bodies.

ALISSIA LAUER tries to keep Jon Eaton and Ryan Zaricki from pulling one of their usual escapades. It's a rough job but someone's got to do it.

ERIC MEAD and Holt Hedrick decide it's time to take off the jackets.

KEVIN HARVEY, Krissy Dickenson, Jennifer Lashley, and Nick Kirchgessner enjoy spending time with one another, especially during their walk in the park.



IT TOOK ALL Lori Blair had, to convince Eric Winkler to put on a tux and let go of his John Deere attire for one evening, but somehow she managed.

JULIE HOSS not only holds on tight to her date, but she will hold to the memories of Prom 1997 forever.





JENNY SULLIVAN and Emily Seitz show off their cleaver, which also serves as a menu at the Cork and Cleaver. As tradition goes, many seniors choose to have dinner before they go dancing. To go along with their attire most choose the more upscale restaurants.

"In the Still of the Night" PROM 1997

PROM COMMITTEE Beginning in September of 1996, the prom committee began preparing for one of the biggest nights of our high school careers. The committee chose forest green, black and gold as the colors of our prom. The next decision, and perhaps the most important, was the theme for the night. "In the Still of the Night" became our last dance in the park, or in other words our last big event together as seniors before graduation.

THE COSTS Prom dresses cost anywhere from \$100.00 to \$500.00. Tuxedos rented out for \$70.00 to over \$100.00. It ranged from \$150.00 to \$450.00 to rent a limosine. Dinner, depending on the restaurant, ranged from \$30.00 to \$60.00.

THE BIG NIGHT The evening began with the Grand March and was followed by a night of dancing. It was said that this year's seniors were on the dance floor more than any group in past years. The night ended with the after-prom, at which there were many games to play, tons of food to eat, and lots of nice prizes to win. All in all Prom 1997 was a major success, and truly a night to remember.

REBECCA FULKS, Sara Hurm, Allison Like, Kristi Yearby, Christina Heminokekey, Mandy Koester, and Amee Sarver dance "In the Still of the Night".



MANY TEARS were shed at graduation, especially between close friends that would soon be attending separate universities, several miles apart. Christina Heminkekey and Rebecca Fulks, however, remain smiling through their tears (they know there is always E-mail).



GRADUATION...

A TIME FOR GOODBYES

Graduation is only one of the events in young person's life, that is waited upon from day one, but it is always one that seems to come far too soon. Seniors look back and realize that all the time they had been wishing away is really gone, when all the years before seemed never ending.

For most, graduation is a major stepping stone in their life, creating a bridge from adolescence to adulthood. Although not everyone makes a great change in becoming more mature and responsible, they soon realize that it is finally time to grow up.

Graduation is sometimes feared by some students, especially those who refuse to grow up. Many dread that time for saying goodbye to friends, family, teachers, and most important free room and board.

However, graduation installs a new found freedom in those that have made it past this great milestone. There is no longer someone there checking up on you to make sure you have your homework done, or if your room is clean, or giving you a curfew.

For everyone, graduation has its ups and downs. Whether it is a time that is looked forward to, or a time that is dreaded, graduation is just just one more step seniors must take in life.



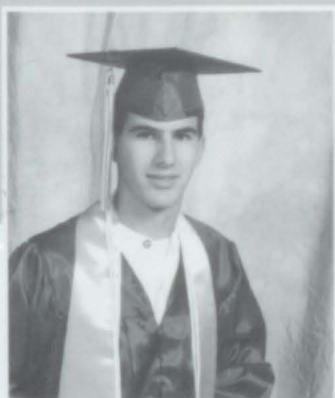
EMILY Seitz, Joni Wade, Eric Mead, and Jeffery Joiner have been friends since middle school. While the rest of the class gathered on the front lawn for their group senior photo, these four gathered for a snapshot of their own.

SOUTH SPENCER HIGH SCHOOL



SOUTH SPENCER "REBELS"

Valedictorian
Holt Hedrick



Valedictorian
Doris Schulte



Valedictorian
Sara Hurm



Salutatorian
Ryan Zaricki





HOW WILL WE CHANGE IN ONE YEAR?

JEFFERY JOINER and Joni Wade joke around during lunch. You can tell by the looks on their faces, that being a senior is a blast.



1996

THE ALBUM

It is the place where you'll find everyone's school picture, the seniors' baby pictures, and all of our memorable quotes and memories. Years later we'll look back and cringe at the long passed styles we once wore. We'll laugh at the funny things we said, and possibly even get a little misty-eyed thinking about the friendships that we once held so dear.

This year the *Spencerian* staff made some changes in the album in order to make it even more special for everyone. First, we moved the album closer to the beginning of the book. Second, we added a new section called *Rites of Passage*. This section included a selected quote of nearly every member of the senior class. It also featured pictures of their days of elementary school. Third, we enlarged the underclassmen photos and placed their names underneath each one. We also allowed extra room for candid photos of students, making it even more possible to feature each one.

1997

B.J. LANTRIP, Jimmy Girtten, Charlie Kelly, and Jennifer Langdon take part in the welcoming ceremonies for AK Steel. Because the arrival of the new steel plant was one of the major events in Spencer County, being a part of this ceremony was an honor.



AS OUR SENIOR YEAR winds closer to an end, these seniors show their different expressions.

1. NICK BECKORT

2. JIMMY GIRTEN

3. BETH LANGDON

4. DONNA DENU

5. KAM CRON

6. DENNY HINTON &
JEREMY LESTER

7. LORI BLAIR

8. STEPHANIE BIRCHLER

9. CARRIE GOLDMAN

10. JOHN DAY

11. JENNIFER LASHLEY

12. BRIAN WILHELMUS

13. LORI HAINES

SENIORS SENIORS SENIORS





8.



9.



10.



11.



12.



13.



*Jenny,
We are so proud of
you and of your
many achievements.
We wish you best of
luck in all you do.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad,
Brian, and
Kelli*



*To Emily,
Our baby girl; blonde hair
and eyes of green, has now
grown into a pretty teen. How
fast those years have come
and gone- and she'll move on
again before too long. She's
made us proud every step of
the way, and we'd like her to
know- We love her more and
more each day!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, and Andy*



*Brandi,
We have always been
so proud of you! We
love you and wish you
the best in whatever you
do.*

*Love,
Dad, Mom, and
Ryan*



*Chris and Chelsea,
A little city, a little coun-
try, but always sweet,
funny, and hard on
money.*

*Love your parents,
Debra and Tony
Nancy and Shammy*



*Carrie,
We are so proud of all
your hard work! Keep
it up! Good luck with
whatever your future
brings! God bless!*

*Love,
Mom Dad, Chad, and
Brandi*



*Amee,
Good luck and always
remember how proud
we are of you.*

*We love you,
Mom, Jimmy,
Leah, Dustin,
PaPa, Granny*



*Dear Adam,
We cherish the memo-
ries you have given us
in academics and ath-
letics. We are very
proud of you. Wish-
ing you good luck and
happiness in your fu-
ture.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Ben, Mat-
thew, and Mark*



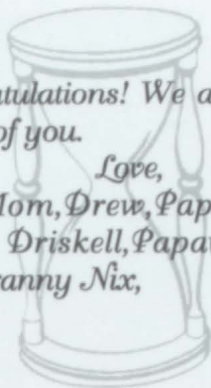
*Eric,
We are so proud of all
of your accomplish-
ments!! We know in
life you're sure to be a
winner in all that you
do.*

*With Love,
Dad, Mom, Ryan,
Cynthia, and Johnny*



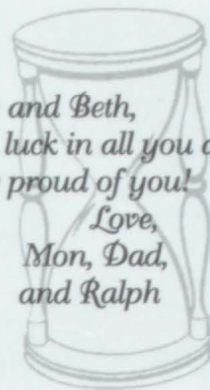
Erika,
Congratulations! We are
proud of you.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Drew, Papa,
Nana Driskell, Papaw,
and Granny Nix,



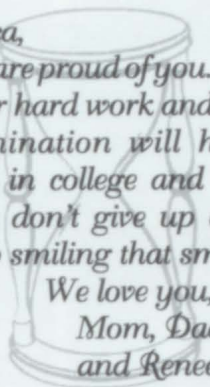
Jenny and Beth,
Good luck in all you do.
We're proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
and Ralph



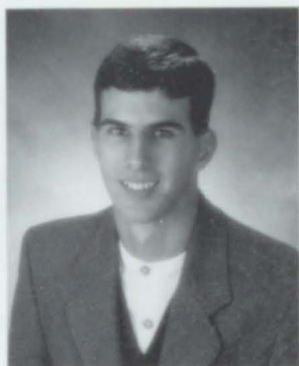
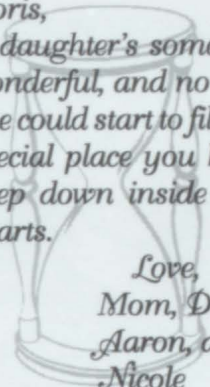
Becca,
We are proud of you. All
your hard work and de-
termination will help
you in college and life.
You don't give up and
keep smiling that smile!

We love you,
Mom, Dad,
and Renee



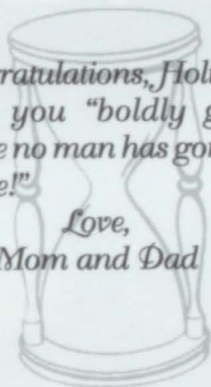
Doris,
A daughter's someone
wonderful, and no one
else could start to fill the
special place you hold
deep down inside our
hearts.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Aaron, and
Nicole



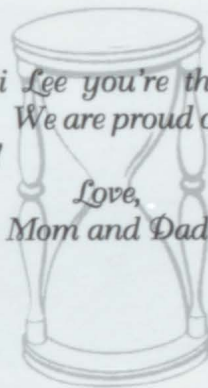
Congratulations, Holt.
May you "boldly go
where no man has gone
before!"

Love,
Mom and Dad



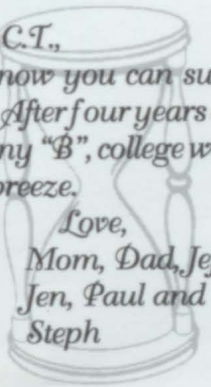
Boni Lee you're the
best. We are proud of
you!

Love,
Mom and Dad



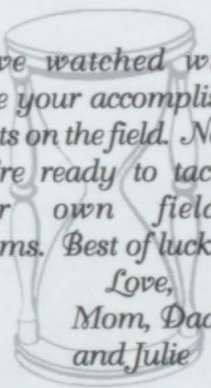
Dear C.T.,
We know you can suc-
ceed. After four years of
Granny "B", college will
be a breeze.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Jeff,
Jen, Paul and
Steph



Jeff,
We've watched with
pride your accomplish-
ments on the field. Now
you're ready to tackle
your own field of
dreams. Best of luck!

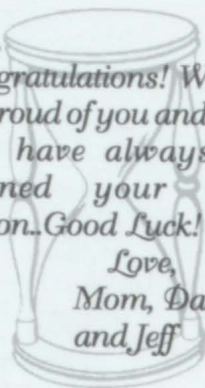
Love,
Mom, Dad,
and Julie





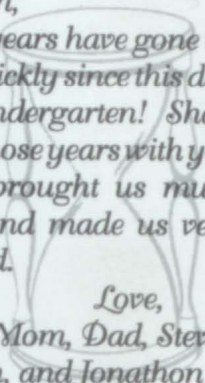
Lori,
Congratulations! We are
so proud of you and how
you have always re-
mained your own
person..Good Luck!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
and Jeff



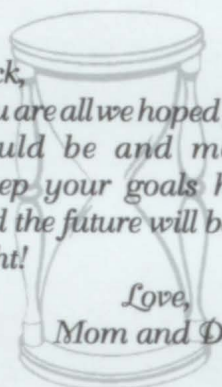
Kevin,
The years have gone by
so quickly since this day
in kindergarten! Shar-
ing those years with you
has brought us much
joy and made us very
proud.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Steve,
Brian, and Jonathon



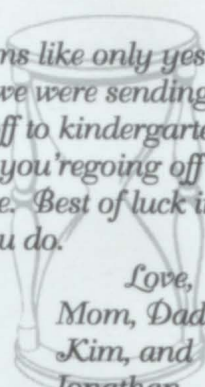
Nick,
You are all we hoped you
would be and more!
Keep your goals high
and the future will be all
right!

Love,
Mom and Dad



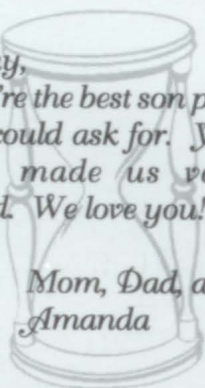
Erin,
It seems like only yester-
day, we were sending
you off to kindergarten.
Now you're going off to
college. Best of luck in
all you do.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Kim, and
Jonathan



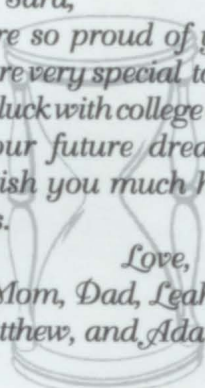
Jeremy,
Your're the best son par-
ents could ask for. You
have made us very
proud. We love you!

Mom, Dad, and
Amanda



Dear Sara,
We are so proud of you.
You are very special to us.
Good luck with college and
all your future dreams.
We wish you much hap-
piness.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Leah,
Matthew, and Adam

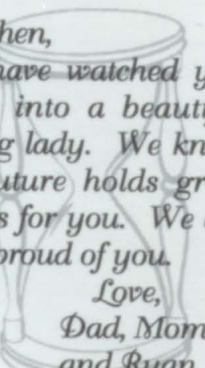


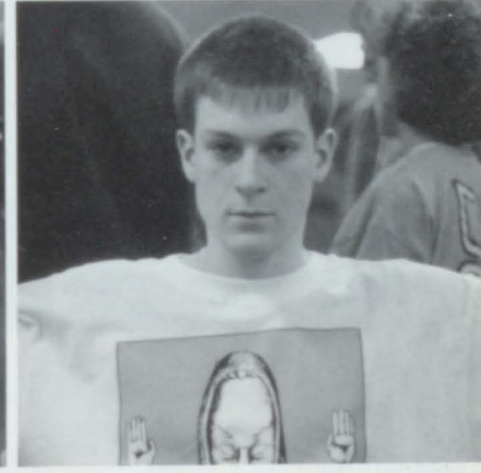
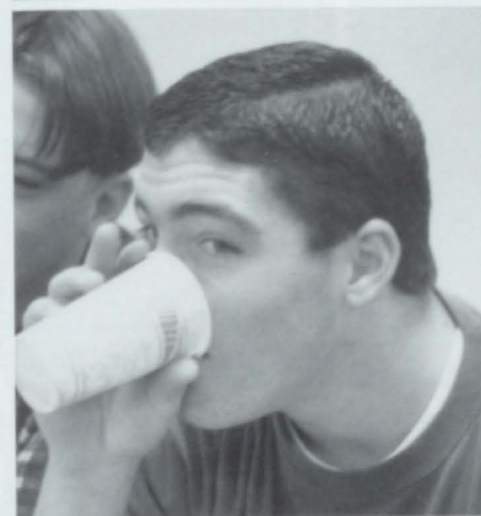
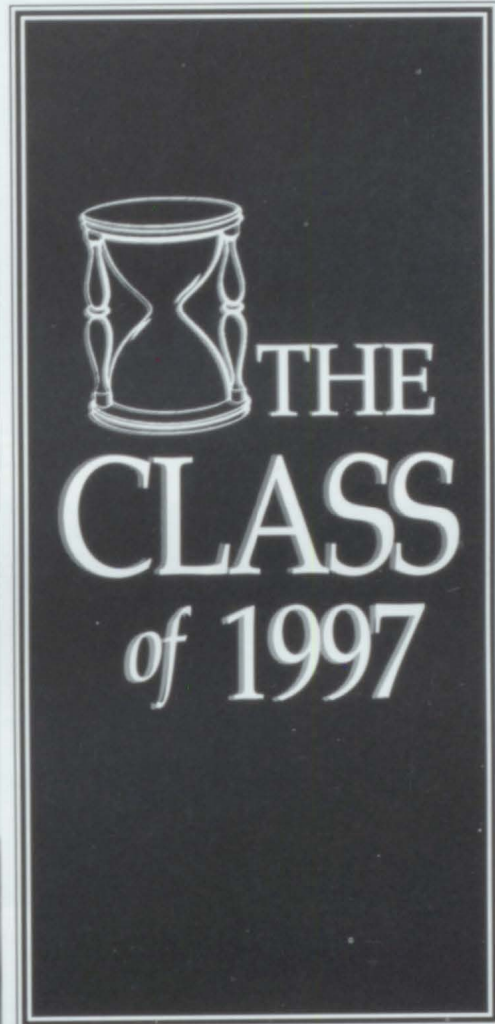
Good luck Senior
yearbook staff
members!



Gretchen,
We have watched you
grow into a beautiful
young lady. We know
the future holds great
things for you. We are
very proud of you.

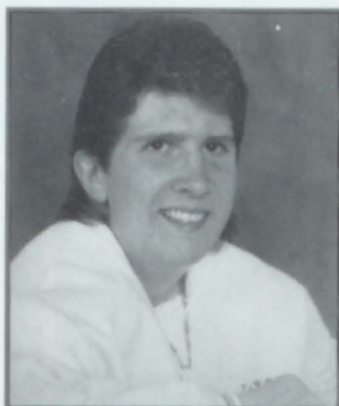
Love,
Dad, Mom,
and Ryan







Robin Allen



B.J. Ball



Nick Beckort



Julie Biggs



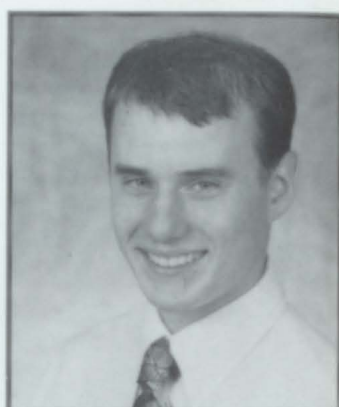
Stephanie Birchler



Lori Blair



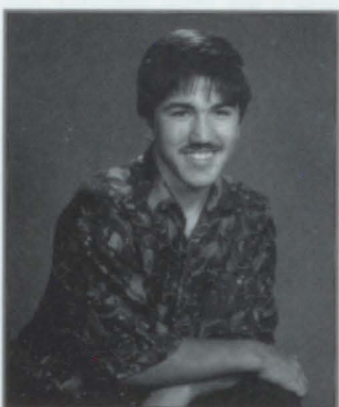
Anant Boultinghouse



Steve Boultinghouse



Alicia Bratcher



Jeremiah Bratcher



Adam Broeker



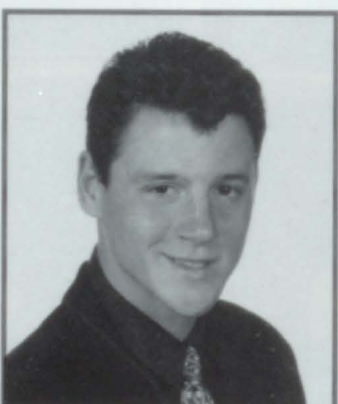
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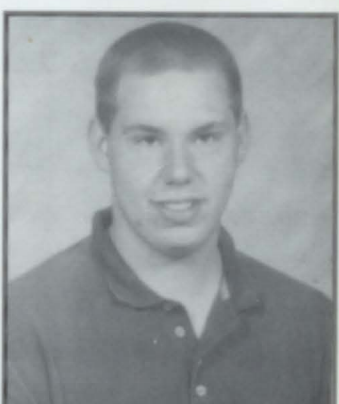
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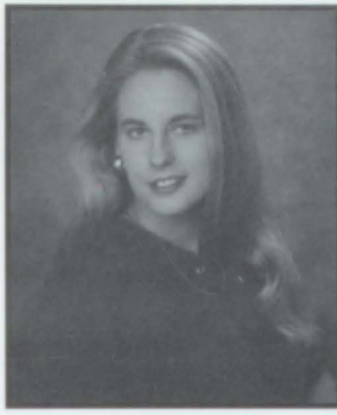
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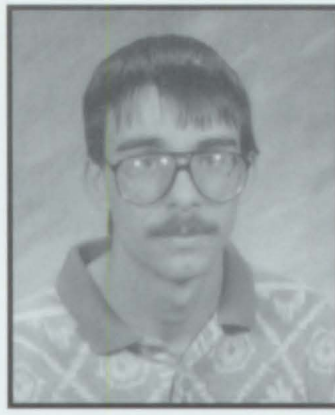
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Christy Crane



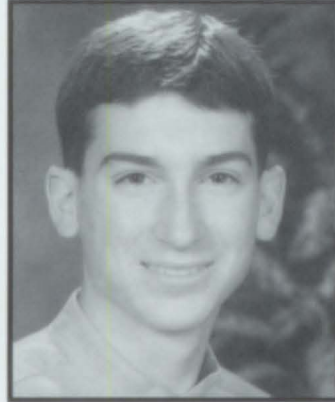
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John Day



Jon Deeg



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Krissy Dickenson



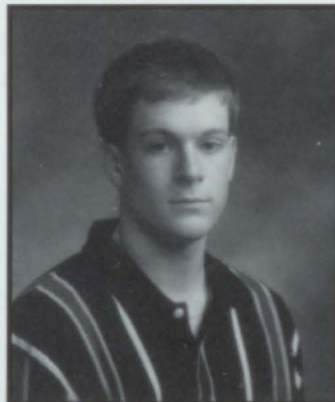
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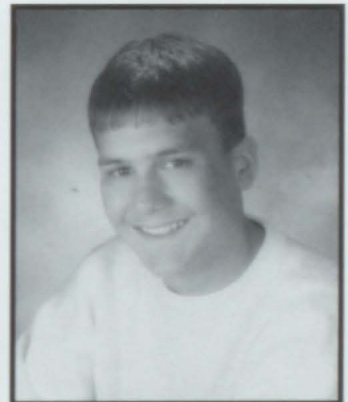
Erika Driskell



Aleisha Duncan



Jonathan Eaton



Jeremy Eble

*After years of
waiting, we
have finally*

OUR *come to the*
**SENIOR
YEAR**

*end of our
high school
career.*



Chasity Embry



Rebecca Fulks



Jennifer Garrett



Melissa Garrett

HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Robin Allen: Choir 10,11; Pep Club 9,10,11.

Julie Biggs: Choir 9; Pep Club 10.

Stephanie Birchler: Basketball 9,11; Tennis 10,12; Girls State 11; N HS/Beta Club 11,12; Teacher Aid 10; Class Officer 9,10; Peer Counselor 9,10,11,12; Snowball 9,10,11,12; Pride 10,11,12; Stage Crew 11,12; Lang Club 10,11,12; FTA 10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Student Council 11,12; Global Leadership 10; Discipline Com 10,11; Cadet Teacher 12.

Lori Blair: Perfect Attendance 9; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Jazz Band 9,10,11; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Guard 10; Musical 9; Solo Ensemble 9,10; FTA 10,11.

Anant Boultinghouse: Perfect Attendance 10; Concert Band 9; Marching Band 9.

Steven Boutinghouse: Concert Band 9; Marching Band 9.

Alicia Bratcher: Library Aid 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Band 10,11; Choir 9,10,11; Musical 9,10; Rebel Singers 12; Solo Ensemble 11; Stage Crew 11; Drama Club 10,11; Pep Club 9,10,11.

Jeremiah Bratcher: Choir 11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Adam Broeker: Basketball 9; Football 9,10,11, 12; Golf 9,10,11,12; All-PAC Football 12; Acad Banquet 9,10,11,12; NH S 11,12; Winter Homecoming Court 10; Prom Server 10; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Andrea Bruggenschmidt: Cross Country 10; Softball 9; Track 9; Volleyball 9; Fall Homecoming Court 11,12; Prom Server 10; Lang Club 10,11; Newspaper 11; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Yearbook 12.

Valarie Bryant: Basketball 9; Swim 9,10,11,12; Tennis 10,12; Boy's Swim Mgr. 9,10; F. Homecoming Ct. 10; W. Homecoming Ct. 9,12; Academic Team 12; Teachers Aid 10,11; Class Officer 9; Ecology Club 10,11,12; Foreign Lang. 9,10,11,12; FTA 10,11; Literary Mag. 10,12; Newspaper 10,11,12; Pep Club



Kevin Geer



Jimmy Girten



Kris Goffinet



Carrie Goldman



Patty Greene



Robert Hagerty



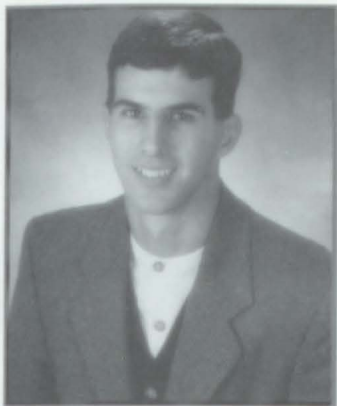
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Ashlee Hancock



Kevin Harvey



Holt Hedrick



Christina Heminokekey



Denny Hinton



Michael Horn



Julie Hoss



Sara Hurm



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Candace Jackson



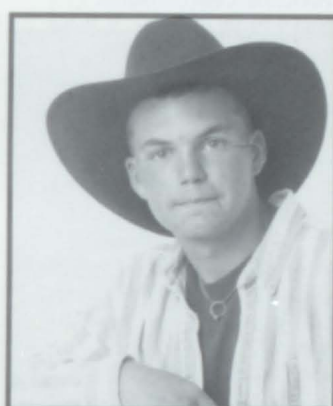
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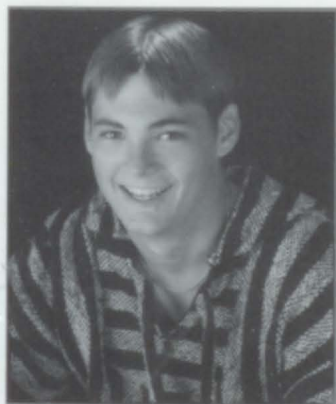
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Michael Kamuf



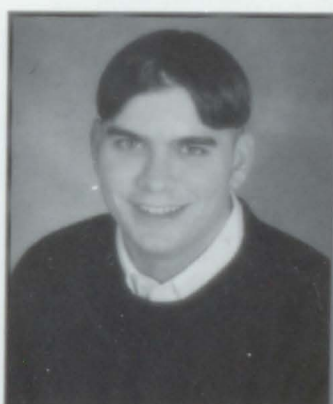
Nick Kirchgessner



Gina Kluemper



Sandra Kravets



Corey Lampkins

9,10,11,12, Student Council 9,10,11.

Gretchen Bunner: Office Aid 12; Prom Committee 12; Rebel Jazz 9,10,11; Junior Captain 11; Ecology Club 11; Lang Club 10,11,12; FTA 10,11,12; Treas 11; Newspaper 10; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Yearbook 11,12; Jr Section Editor 11; Sr Section Editor 12; Who's Who 12; Cadet Teaching 12.

Rob Burrows: Cross Country 9; Football 9; Softball 9,10; Tennis 9; Wrestling 9,10,11,12; Academic Banquet 9,10; Perfect Attendance 9; Winter Homecoming Court 11; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Solo \ Ensemble 9,10,11,12/

Eddie Carter: Golf 9,10.

Brian Coomes: Baseball 9,10; Football 9.

Christy Crane: Perfect Attendance 10; Concert Band 9,10,11; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Lang Club 9,10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Kam Crom: Baseball 9,10,11,12; Football 9,10,11; Weight Lifting Comp 4th 10; Fall Homecoming King 12; Prom Server 10; Bible Club 10,11,12; Lang Club 12; FTA 10,11; Pep Club 12.

Cheri Daming: Basketball 9,10,11; Cross Country 9,10,11; Track 9,10; Library Aid 11; Office Aid 12; Prom Server 10; Snowball 9,10,11; Lang Club 9,10,11; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Yearbook Staff 12.

John Day: Tennis 9,10,11,12.

Vincent Deeg: Wrestling 10,11,12.

Donna Denu: Academic Banquet 10; Lang Club 10,11; Pep Club 10,11.

Krissy Dickenson: Concert Band 9,10; Marching Band 9,10; Pit Orchestra 9; Rebel Jazz 9,10,11; Rebel Jazz Junior Captain 11.

Erika Driskell: Basketball 9,10,11,12; Honorable Ment All-PAC 10; 2nd team All-PAC 11; Cheerleader 9,10,11,12; Softball 9,10,11,12; All-PAC/Short Stop 9; Honorable Mention All-State/Pitcher 10; All-State-1st team - Pitcher 11; Swim 9,11,12; All-PAC/Diving 9; 3rd Place/Sectionals/Regional Qualifier 11; Academic Banquet 10,11,12; NHS 11,12; Class Officer 10; Snowball 12; Rebel Singers 12; Lang Club 9, 10, 11,12; FTA 10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Student Council 10; Yearbook 12.

Jon Eaton: Basketball 9,10,11,12; Cross Country 11; Track 10; Beta Club 12; Snowball 10; Lang Club 12; Pep Club 12.

Jeremy Eble: Fall Homecoming Court 12; Yearbook 12.

Chasity Embry: Concert Band 9; Bible Club 9; Lang Club 11; Pep Club 11; Yearbook 12.

Rebecca Fulks: Basketball 9,10,11,12; Softball 9,10,11,12; Cross Country 10; Acad Banquet 10; Ecology Club 10,11,12; Lang Club 10,11,12; FTA 12; Pep Club 10,11,12; FCA 12.

Jennifer Garrett: Basketball 9,10,11,12; Cross Country 9; Softball 9,10,11,12; Manager-Volleyball 12; Class Officer 9; Peer Counselor 10,11,12; Prom Committee 12; Snowball 9,10,11,12; Choir 9,11,12; Musical 9,12; Orchestra 12; Drama Club 12; Pep



Elizabeth Langdon



Jennifer Langdon



B. J. Lantrip



Brandi Lashley



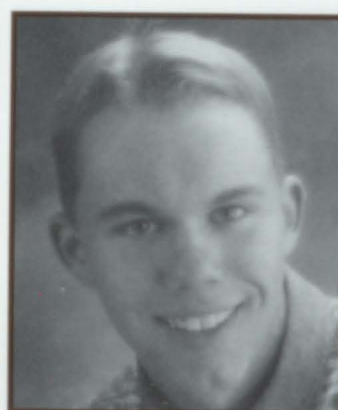
Jennifer Lashley



Tom Lathery



Nicole Lawrence



Jeremy Lester



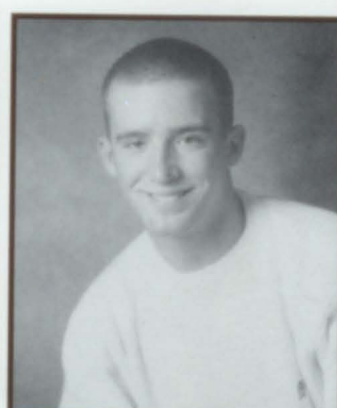
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Pamela Lorenz



Mary Loudon



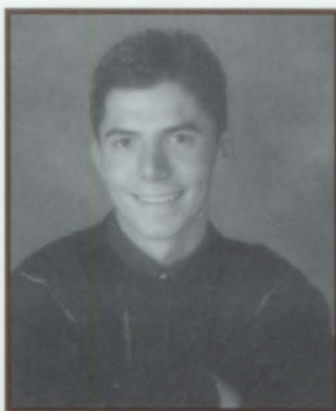
Chris Matthews



Jay Mayo



Chelsea McIntyre



Eric Mead



Thomas Metcalf



Echo-Dawn Montgomery



Scott Morgan



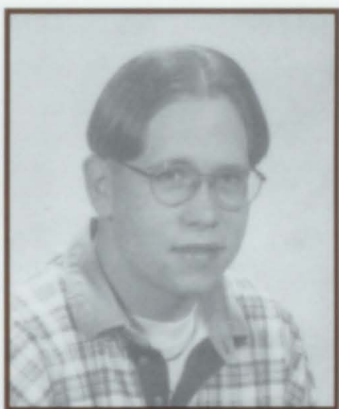
Jillian Morrison



Devin Newton



Jill O'Nan



Jason Pierce



John Roll



Jarod Romans



Sean Russell



Amee Sarver



Doris Schulte



Emily Seitz

Club 9,10,11,12; Yearbook 11,12.

Kevin Geer: Wrestling 9,10,11,12.

Jimmy Girten: Cross Country 9,10,11,12; Tennis 9,10,11,12; Wrestling 10,12; Boys State 11; Beta Club 12; Academic Team 9,10; Snowball 9,10; Spell Team 11; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Musical 9,10; Play 9; Solo and Ensemble 9,10,12; Drama Club 10; Ecology Club 10; Lang Club 10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11.

Carrie Goldman: Concert Band 9,10; Marching Band 9; Choir 11,12; Guard 10; Pep Club 9.

Patty Greene: Cross Country 9,10; Office Aid 11,12.

Bobby Hagerty: Baseball 9,10,11,12.

Lori Haines: Basketball Mgr. 9,10; Girl's State 11; Perfect Attendance 10,11,12; Prom Committee 12; Ecology Club 12; Foreign Lang. 9, 10, 11, 12; Pep Club 9, 10, 11, 12; yearbook co-editor 11, 12.

Ashlee Hancock: Office Aid 11; Concert Band 9,10; Pep Band 9,10; Guard 9,10.

Kevin Harvey: Basketball 9; Winter Homecoming Court 11; Choir 12.

Holt Hedrick: Baseball 9,10,11,12; Basketball 9, Tennis 9,10,11,12; All Academic PAC Baseball; Hon.Mention All PAC Tennis 12; AcadBanquet 9,10,11,12; Boys State Nominee 11; NHS\ Beta Club 11,12; Perfect Attendance 9,10,11,12; Winter Homecoming Court 9; AcadTeam & Captain 9,10,11,12; Class Officer 11,12; Prom Com. 12; Prom Server 10; Scholars On Nine 9,10; Spell team 9,10,11,12; Global Leadership Conference 11; Hugh O'Brien Foundation Ambassador 10; Who'sWho11; Concert Band 9, 10,11,12; Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Pit Orchestra 9,10,11,12; Foreign Lang Club 9,10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Student Council 12.

Christina Heminokkey: Cheerleader 9,10; Softball 10; Swimming 11,12; Fall Homecoming Queen; Winter Homecoming Court 10; Ecology Club 11,12; Lang Club 10,11,12; FTA 10,12; Newspaper 10; Pep Club 10,11,12; Yearbook 12.

Julie Hoss: Basketball 9,10,11,12; Softball 9,10,11,12; Volleyball 9,10,11,12; PAC All Conference Volleyball Honorable Mention 12; All Tourney Team Softball 11; Team Captain Volleyball 12; Office Aid 11,12; Snowball 11,12; Concert Band 9,10,11; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 12; Guard 9,10,11,12.

Sara Hurm: CC 9; Tennis 9,10,11,12; Academic Banquet 9,10,11,12; NHS/Beta Club & Pres 11,12; Fall Homecoming Court 12; Princess 12; Academic Team 10,11,12; Class Off 11,12; Prom Com 12; Scholars On Nine Alternate 9; Foreign Lan Club 9,10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Student



Brandi Shelby



Zack Shelton



Christina Siddons



Kim Small



Chris Smith



Josh Smith



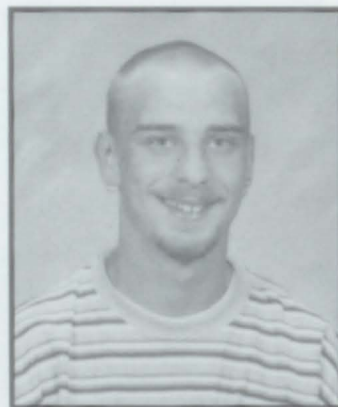
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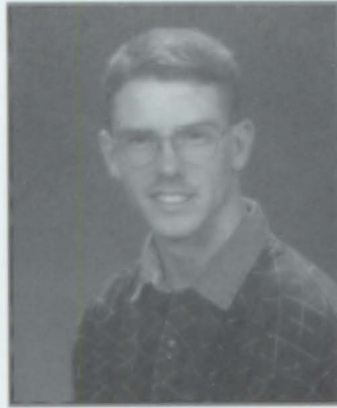
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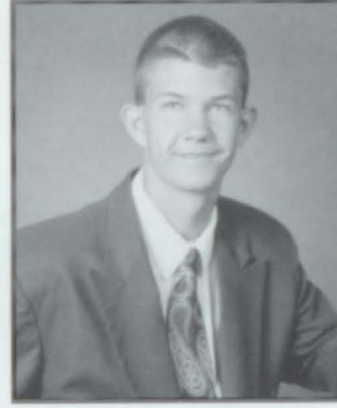
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Rebah Wilson



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Eric Winkler



Jill Winkler



Jeff Wood



Matt Wroe



Emily Young



Ryan Zaricki



1. CLASS OFFICERS

President- Clint Wetherill
Vice President- Holt Hedrick
Seceretary- Sara Hurm
Treasurer- Joni Wade

2. MOST CREATIVE

Emily Seitz & Tom Lathery

3. MOST DARING

Cheri Daming & Kam Cron

4. BIGGEST FLIRT

Gretchen Bunner & Kevin Harvey

5. CLASS CLOWN

Jenny Sullivan & Sean Russell

6. BEST PERSONALITY

Kevin Thorpe, Sara Hurm, Eric Mead

7. BEST CAR

Mike Kamuf & Erin Spaetti

8. MOST INDIVIDUALISTIC

Vincent Deeg, Echo Montgomery, Ryan Zaricki

9. BEST EYES

Joni Wade & Chris Matthews

10. MOST ATTRACTIVE

Andrea Bruggenschmidt & Zack Shelton

11. MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Doris Shulte & Holt Hedrick

12. MOST TALENTED

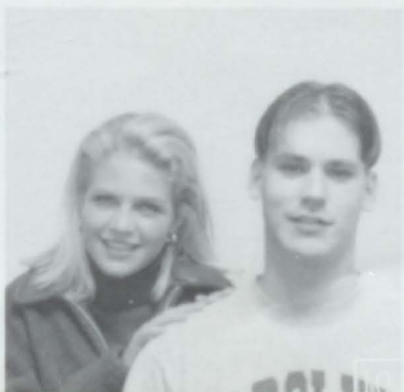
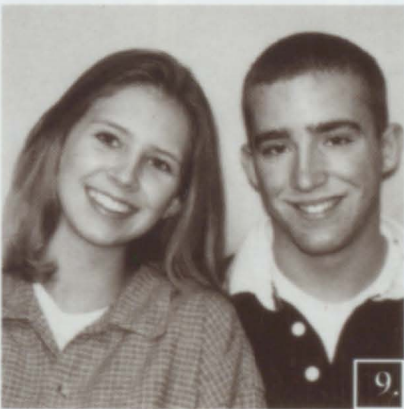
Jennifer Langdon & Clint Wetherill

13. MOST ATHLETIC

Jeff Wood & ERicka Driskell

THE CHOSEN ONES





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Sarah Johnson: Academic Banquet 11; Who's Who 11.

Jeff Joiner: Fall Homecoming Court 9,12; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Solo \ Ensemble 9

Nick Kirchgessner: Fall Homecoming Court 11,12; Prince 12; Choir 11,12.

Beth Langdon: NHS/Beta Club 12; Acad Team 10; Prom Com.12; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9, 10,11, 12; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Guard 11,12; Musical 10; Pit Orchestra 10; Play 9; Solo \ Ensemble 9; Lang Club 10; Pep Club 9, 10,11,12; Yearbook 12; Snowball 12.

Jennifer Langdon: Acad Team 10; Prom Com. 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11,12; Jazz Band 9,10,11; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9, 10, 11,12; Guard 11,12; Orchestra 10; Play 9; Solo \ Ensemble 9,10; Stage crew 9; Lang Club 10; Newspaper 10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Yearbook 12; Newspaper Editor 12.

B.J. Lantrip: Football 9; Wrestling 9,10,11,12; Acad Team 9,10,11; Peer Counselor 9,10,11,12; Snowball 9,10,11,12; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Musical 9,10,11,12; Play 9,10,11,12; Solo and Ensemble 9,10,11,12; Chess Club 9,10,11,12; Drama Club 9,10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Brandi Lashley: Swim 9,10,11; Academic Banquet 10,12; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Acad Team 9; Guidance Aid 10,11; Peer Coun 9, 10, 11, 12; Snowball 9,10,11,12; Spell Team 11,12; Musical 10; Bible Club 10,11; FLang Club 10; FTA 11; Literary Magazine 9,10; Newspaper 10,11,12.

Jennifer Lashley: Cheerleader 9; Office Aid 11; Yearbook 10,11,12.

Tom Lathery: Golf 9,10,11; Musical 11; Rebel Singers 9,10,11,12; Stage Crew 11.

Nicole Lawrence

Allison Like: Basketball 9; Softball 9,10,11,12; Volleyball 11,12; All Academic PAC 12; Academic Banquet 11,12; NHS 12; Academic Team 10,11,12; Prom Com 12; Foreign Lang Club 9,10,11,12; Literary Magazine 12; Newspaper 11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Student Council 12; FCA 12.

Mary Loudon: Library Aid 9,10,11,12; Concert Band 9,10; Marching Band 9,10; Guard 10; FTA 10,11,12; Pep Club 9.

Chelsea McIntyre: Cheerleader 9,10; Softball 10; Swimming 11,12; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Foreign Lang Club 10,11; Pep Club 9,10,11.

Eric Mead: Football 9,10; Track 9,10,11; Pep Club 9,10.

Echo Montgomery: Volleyball 10; VB Manager 11; Academic Team 12; All

State Choir 12; Choir 9,10; Musical 9,11,12; Play 9; Rebel Singers 11,12; Solo \ Ensemble 9,10,11,12; Stage Crew 9,11; Chess Club 10,11; Drama Club 9,10,11; Lang Club 12; Thespian 12.

Scott Morgan: Baseball 9,10; Basketball 9; Football 9,11,12; All-Conf Honorable Mention 11,12; Pre-Season All-State Football Captain 12; Academic Banquet 11; NHS/Beta Club 12; Snowball 11,12; Choir 9,10; Play 12; Rebel Singers 12; Solo \ Ensemble 9,10; Bible Club 11,12; FTA 12; FCA 12; FCA Pres 12; Cadet Teaching 12.

Jillian Morrison: Teacher Aid 12; Concert Band 9,10,11; Marching Band 9,10; Guard 9,10; Cadet Teaching 12.

Jill O'Nan: Who's Who 11,12; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9; Guard 9,10,11,12; Solo \ Ensemble 12; Lang Club 10.

Jarod Romans: Swim 9,10; Snowball 10,11.

Amee Sarver: Cheerleader 9,10; Fall Homecoming Court 9,12; Winter Homecoming Court 10; Prom Com 12; Guidance Aid 11; Choir 9; Pep Club 10,11,12; Yearbook 12; Newspaper 11.

Doris Schulte: Basketball 9; Cross Country 9; Tennis 11,12; Acad Banquet 9,10,11,12; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Academic Team 10,11,12; Peer Counselor 9,10,11,12; Prom Server 10; Snowball 9,10,11,12; Concert Band 9,10; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Drum Major 12; Foreign Language Club 10,11,12; FTA 11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11; Student Council 9; Pride Conference 10,11,12.

Emily Seitz: Acad Banquet 9; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Perfect Attendance 9; Concert Band 9,10,11; Marching Band 9,10,11; Pep Band 9; Musical 10,11,12; Orchestra 9; Play 12; Drama Club 10,11,12; Ecology Club 11,12; Lang Club 10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Opening Page Co-Ed. 11; Division Page Editor 11; Yearbook Co-Editor 12; Dare Role Model 12.

Brandi Shelby: Cheerleader 9,10,11; Acad Banquet 9,10,11,12; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Office Aid 12; Prom Com 12; Choir 9,10; Lang Club 11,12; FTA 11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Student Coun 12.

Zack Shelton: Baseball 10,12; Basketball 9; Football 9,10,11,12; Track 11; Snowball 9,10,11,12; Yearbook 11,12.

Kimberly Small: Basketball 9,10,11,12; Volleyball 9,10,11,12; Choir 10.

Melissa Smith: Acad Banquet 10,11,12; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Who's Who 10,11; Snowball 10,11; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Pit Orchestra 10,11,12; Solo \ Ensemble 12; Lang Club 10,11,12; FTA 11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Erin Spaetti: Volleyball 9; Girls BB Manager 9,10; Prom Comm 12; Lang Club 9,10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Steven Spinks

Jenny Sullivan: Swim 10; Girls BB Manager 9,10; Acad Banquet 10; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Class Officer 10; Snowball 9,10; Thespian 10,11,12; All State Choir Alternate 11; Concert Band 9,10; Jazz Band 9; Marching Band 9,10; Musical 9,10,11,12; Play 9,10,11,12; Rebel Singers 10,11,12;



Nick Beckort



Stephanie Birchler



Lori Blair



Steven Boultinghouse



Jeremiah Bratcher



Adam Broeker



Andrea Bruggenschmidt



Gretchen Bunner



Robert Burrows



Brian Coomes



Christy Crane



Jason Crawford



Kam Cron



Cheri Daming



John Day



Donna Denu



Krissy Dickenson



Heather Dragoo



Erika Driskell



Aleisha Duncan



Jon Eaton



Jeremy Eble



Chasity Embry



Rebecca Fulks



Jimmy Girtten



Kris Goffinet



Carrie Goldman



Lori Haines

Solo and Ensemble 9,10,11,12; Quad State 11; Bible Club 9,10; Drama Club 9,10,11,12; Ecology Club 11,12; Lang Club 10,11,12; Newspaper 9,10,11; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Yearbook 9,10,11,12.

Jennifer Thomas: Swim 9,10,11,12; Tennis 10; NHS/Beta Club 12; Who's Who 9; Peer Counselor 10,11; Prom Committee 12; Snowball 10,11; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9,10,11,12; Pit Orchestra 10,11,12; Solo and Ensemble 12; Bible

Club 10,11; Lang Club 10; FTA 10,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Angela Tuley: Office Aid 12; Concert Band 9,10,11; Marching Band 9,10,11; Pep Band; Guard 9,10,11; Rebel Jazz 9,10.

Jimmy Tooley: Baseball 9,10,11,12; Cross Country 9; Swim 9; Track 11,12; PAC High Jump Champ 11.

Joni Wade: Tennis 9,11,12; Acad Banquet 9,10,11,12; NHS/Beta Club 11,12; Fall Homecoming Court 10; Winter Homecoming Court 9; Beta



Ashlee
Hancock



Holt
Hedrick



Christina
Heminokey



Michael
Horn



Julie
Hoss



Sara
Hurm



Wendy
Hurt



Candice
Jackson



Sarah
Johnson



Jeffery
Joiner



Gina
Klumper



Corey
Lampkins



Beth
Langdon



Jennifer
Langdon



B.J.
Lantrip



Brandi
Lashley



Jennifer
Lashley



Nicole
Lawrence



Jeremy
Lester



Allison
Like



Pam
Lorenz



Chris
Matthews



Chelsea
McIntyre



Eric
Mead



Echo - Dawn
Montgomery



Scott
Morgan



Jillian
Morrison



Jill
O'Nan



Jarod
Romans



Amee
Sarver



Doris
Shulte



Emily
Seitz



Brandi
Shelby



Zack
Shelton



Kim
Small



Melissa
Smith



Erin
Spaetti



Jenny
Sullivan



Tomarra
Taylor



Jennifer
Thomas



Kevin
Thorpe



Angela
Tuley



Joni
Wade



Clint
Wetherill



Brian
Wilhelmus



Rebah
Wilson



Tiffany
Wilson



Eric
Winkler



Jill
Winkler



Jeff
Wood



Matt
Wroe



Emily
Young



Ryan
Zaricki



Julie
Biggs

Club Vice-Pr 12; Acad team 9,10,11,12; Class Officer 9,11,12; Prom Com 12; Scholars on Nine 9,10; Concert band 9,10,11,12; Jazz Band 9,10; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 9,10; Pit Orchestra 9,10; Solo and Ensemble 12; Band Treas 11; Lang Club 9,10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12; Student Council 9,10,11,12; Yearbook 11,12; Studnet Council Pres. 12.

Clint Wetherill: Football 9; Golf 9,10,11,12; All Con 11; Acad Banquet 9; NHS/Beta Club 12; Fall Homecoming

Court 9; Winter Homecoming Court 10; Class Officer 11,12; Prom Com 11,12; Concert Band 9,10,11,12; Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Marching Band 9,10,11,12; Pep Band 10,11,12; Pit Orchestra 9; Solo \ Ensemble 9,10,11,12; Lang Club 10,11; Cross Country 9,10.

Rebah Wilson: Cross Country 12; Library Aid 10; Choir 10,11; Musical 10; Pit Orchestra 11; Lit Magazine 10,12; Newspaper 11,12; Yearbook 12.

Tiffany Wilson: Concert Band 9,10,

11; Marching Band 9,10,11; Pep Band 9,10; Orchestra 9; Solo \ Ensemble 10.

Jill Winkler: Basketball 9,10; Winter Homecoming 10; Teacher Aid 11; Prom Com 12; Snowball 12; Bible Club 10,11,12; Lang Club 9,10; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Jeff Wood: Baseball 9,10,11,12; Basketball 9,10; Football 9,10,11,12; All Acad & PAC Football 11,12; All State Football 11; Acad Banq 10,11; N H S/ Beta Club 11,12; Teacher Aid 12; Prom Server 10; Lang Club 9,10,11,12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Matt Wroe: Baseball 9,10,11,12; Basketball 9,10; Football 9,10,11,12; All PAC & Capt 12; Teach Aid 12; Pep Club 9,10,11,12.

Ryan Zaricki: Cross Country 10; Academic Ban 9,10,11,12; N H S/ Beta Club 11,12; Acad Team 11,12; Class Officer 10; Peer Counse 10,11,12; Prom Com 12; Snowball 10,11,12; Lang Club 10,11,12; Pep Club 11,12; Stud Council 10.

CLASS OF 1997

Rites of Passage is a new addition to the 1997 *Spencerian*. It shares some of our most memorable moments, our dreams for the future, and the things that we will miss the most after our graduation.

What is your most memorable moment?

"...When I graduate".
B.J. Ball

"The most memorable moment in high school was going to regionals in golf."
Nick Beckort

"...catching myself on fire in welding."
Anant Boullinghouse

"...breaking my nose."
Steven Boullinghouse

"...dressing as a clown on Halloween! Face paint, outfit and shoes, I went all out!"
Alicia Bratcher

"My most memorable moment is going to the boy's basketball semi-state to see the Rebels play. Even though we lost, I was very proud to be a part of South Spencer High School".
Valarie Bryant

"...when I got pulled over in the driver's ed car by a cop and my mom saw me!"
Krissy Dickenson

"My most memorable moment was when the girl's basketball and softball team won a sectional in the same year, as well as the boy's winning their basketball and baseball sectionals in that year too (1995)".
Erika Driskell

"My most memorable moment in high school was when a bunch of guys started a gang here. A big fight was started in the parking lot right beside my car. It took all kinds of teachers to break it up."
Aleisha Duncan

"...Sectional 1995!(Girls Basketball and Softball)"
Jennifer Garrett

"...finally going to regionals in cross country after the slim defeat my junior year."
Jimmy Girtlen

"...my junior year, when in third period chemistry, Jimmy Tooley broke the water faucet and water went everywhere."
Lori Haines

"...being a cheerleader in the academic team pep session."
Kevin Harvey

"...when I got Homecoming Queen."
Christina Heminokkey

"...when Vincent Deeg stood up the last day of the school year and recited one the quotes of *Romeo and Juliet*."
Michael Horn

"...winning the Sectionals in Basketball and Softball. Also watching Jill Harris trip at practice every day during practice."
Julie Hoss

"My most memorable moment of high school is probably when we were playing golf in P.E. and Robin Allen hit me in the head with a golf club, which gave me stiches, thanks Robey."
Sarah Johnson

"...the time Sean Russell got his pants pulled down in the lunch room."
Jeffery Joiner

"My most memorable moment of high school would be during my junior year at a concert band contest. It was raining and my foot slipped on my way off the bus. I fell into a large puddle of running, muddy water, and still had to go on into the concert."
Beth Langdon

"... when I was in Drivers Ed. I was backing into a driveway in Reo Heights. Instead, I drove the car into the culvert beside it. It was a little embarrassing driving back out of it."
Jennifer Langdon

"...when Jenny Sullivan fell down a flight of stairs at a singing contest for Rebel Singers."
Tom Lathery

"...going to vocational school and not having to come here."
Jeremy Lester

"My most memorable moment happened this one night when a group of us got together at Erin Spaetti's house. I jumped out from behind a tree and scared Kevin Thorpe to death. I've never seen anyone as scared as what he was that night."
Allison Like

"My most memorable moment was when Jimmy Tooley broke the faucet in chemistry and water was shooting up to the ceiling."
Chelsea McIntyre

"My most memorable moment happened when we (freshman cheerleaders) were on the bus to a basketball game, and an "accident" occurred."
Amea Sarver

"...I don't think I will ever forget when Laura and I started screaming and jumping up and down before we even got off the field at band regionals. The band had never played so good."
Doris Schulte



REMEMBER letting balloons off every spring, hoping that someone would find it and write you a letter saying they would like to be your friend.

Rites Of Passage

"...band regionals my senior year was my most memorable moment of high school."

Melissa Smith

"...when Scott Morgan and Jenny Sullivan blew up some chemicals in Chemistry."

Kevin Thorpe

"...when Michelle Lorenz tripped and fell going up the stairs in the commons area."

Jennifer Underhill

"My most memorable moment was working on the float my senior year. Somehow a huge paint fight got started and pretty soon everyone was covered in paint. I was still washing red paint out of my hair weeks later."

Joni Wade

"... I probably won't ever forget when Mike and I shaved John Deere in the back of our heads."

Eric W. Winkler

"...finding out I was in the running for Salutatorian."

Ryan Zaricki

Where
do you
see your-
self in
twenty
years?



GRETCHEN BUNNER, NICK KIRCHGESSNER AND KRISSY DICKENSON show off one of the many treasured works of art created during kindergarten.

"I will be retiring from the United States Army. Hopefully by then I will be settled down enough to be married."

Sam Cron

"...lots of money and lots of kids. It will ROCK!"

Cheri Daming

"...as a rich, rich, did I say rich defensive attorney."

Heather Dragoo

"...working, married, and having at least two kids, maybe even a grandma."

Chasity Embry

"...cooking at Dairy Queen."

Bobby Hagerty

"...as a master mechanic, making really good."

Denny Hinton

"In twenty years I see myself being fat, and married with about five or six kids, but God I hope I'm wrong."

Wendy Hurt

"In twenty years I see myself as a R.N. in a major hospital. I plan to be married with children."

Candice Jackson

"...Owning my own physical therapy practice."

Corey Lampkins

"...Working as an established lawyer in a law firm."

Brandi Lashley



"I see myself living large, in a big house with lots of money."

Robin Allen

"I will be working; and I might be married with a family. I will most likely be living on a farm."

Eori Blair

"...married to a rich man."

Andrea Bruggenschmidt

"...having my own business, and having a lot of money; or I'll just win the lottery."

Jason Crawford

"...riding a killer whale."

Jennifer Lashley

"I see myself in a huge house with a lake in the back. I'll be driving a Lexus."

Nicole Lawrence

"I'll have a wife and three kids and I'll work in a button factory."

Eric Mead

"I'll be an elementary school teacher with a large family."

Scott Morgan

REMEMBER having to make a single file line everywhere you went, and always stepping on the heels of the person in front of you.

REMEMBER when turning six was the most exciting thing in the world. Wendy Hurt takes a deep breath, hoping to get the presents she has asked for.



REMEMBER learning that it was bad to eat crayons and paste in Mrs. Weber's morning Kindergarten class. FRONT: Tom Lathery, Rob Burrows, unknown, Jill Winkler, Nicole Lawrence, Brandi Shelby, Lori Blair, Wendy Hurt, SECOND: Kevin Geer, unknown, Amee Sarver, Jeremy Lester, Christina Heminokey, Kam Cron, Angela Tuley, THIRD: Bobby Hagerty, Erika Driskell, unknown, B.J. Lantrip, Lou Anna Birch, BACK: Matt Wroe, Ashlee Hancock, Carrie Goldman, Brandi Lashley, Andrea Bruggenschmidt, Eddie Carter, Mrs. Weber.

REMEMBER when you finally became an eighth grader, and you suddenly knew everything, only to find out as a freshman how wrong you really were. FRONT: Valerie Bryant, Chris Matthews, Kevin Thorpe, Erin Spaetti, Rebecca Fulks, Andrea Bruggenschmidt, Kris Goffinet, Patti Greene, Steven Boultinghouse.

46 Seniors



"Hopefully I'll be preparing for retirement from the Army."

Devin Newton

"...working in something having to do with country music."

John Roll

"...working as a commercial pilot."

Kris Smith

"...in Stoermer's econ class."

Sean Russell

"I see myself with a perfect husband, a few little kids, and a job being the design editor for Life magazine."

Jenny Sullivan

"...38."

Jimmy Tooley

"In twenty years I see myself settled down with my husband and our three children, one boy and twin girls, and also owning a black Chevy 454ss."

Angela Tuley

"In twenty years I see myself as being a success in the bussiness world."

Clint Wetherill

"...probably in debt."

Brian Wilhelmus

"...in a foreign country."

Jill Winkler

"...having a great job, enjoying myself!"

Jeff Wood

"I see myself as old."

Matt Wroe

"...graduated from college, and definately rich."

Emily Jane Young

What will you miss most after Graduation?

"...being a student and not having the responsibility of a job or career."

Rob Burrows

"I will miss my friends after everyone decides to go their own ways."

Donna Denu

"...school lunches."

Jon Eaton

"...friends and not having to work."

Jeremy Eble

"...my friends and french class."

Ashlee Hancock

"The comfort zone, indigenious to high school and of course my great friends and teachers."

Holt Hedrick

"I will miss being with my friends and favorite teachers. In high school I have made many friends and it will be sad to know that I will only see them every five years at class reunions after we graduate."

Sara Hurm

"...the easiness of life."

Michael Kamuf

"...beating up the little kids."

Chris Matthews

"I will miss my friends the most, after all they are what made high school fun. I really dread the day I have to say goodbye to them."

Emily Seitz

"...my childhood."

Brandi Shelby

"I will miss seeing my friends everyday. At school is where we saw each other the most. I willalso miss playing basketball and volleyball for South Spencer."

Kimberly Small

"After I graduate, I will miss hanging out with all of my friends , because everyone will start to go their own way."

Erin Spaetti

"What I will miss the

most out of everything would be my friends."

Steven Spinks

"I'm going to miss all of the people in our senior class, because I'm friends with all of them and they mean a lot to me."

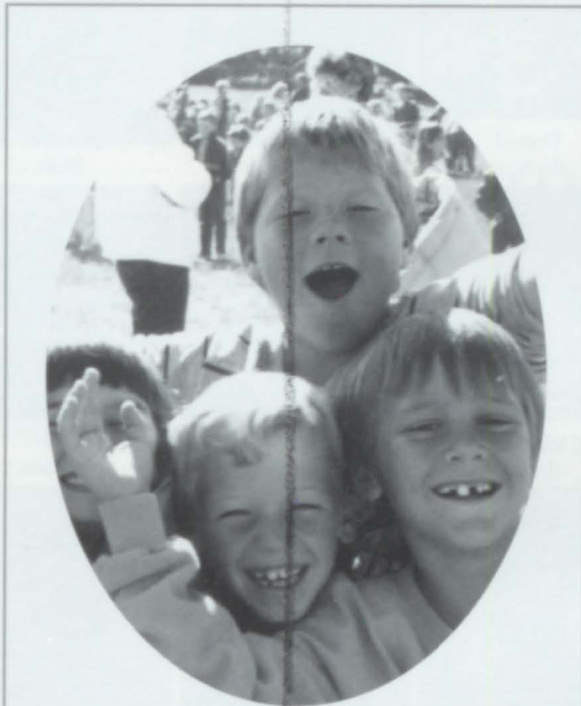
Jennifer Thomas

"I think I will miss all the students and teachers. It's going to hard to never see these kids again, I mean some of these kids I went to Kindergarten with and I've seen them nearly everyday for twelve years."

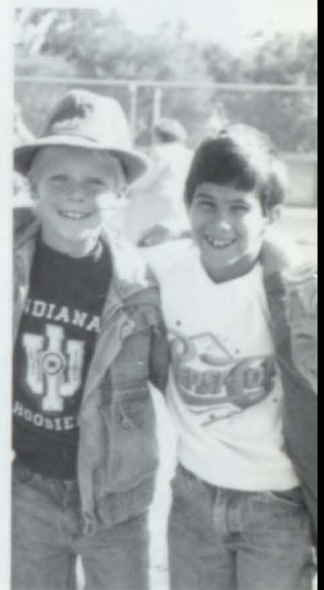
Rebahi Wilson

"I will miss half of my friends, because I will probably never see the ones I only see at school again."

Tiffany Wilson



THROUGH ALL THE tag races, basketball games, food fights, and stupid jokes, Brian Coomes, Jeremy Eble, Nick Beckort, and Corey Lampkins, have made a lasting friendship.



REMEMBER standing in line for the toronado slide only to find that there was still a puddle at the bottom from when it had rained the night before.

TAKE A LOOK at a picture from ten years ago, when class president, Clint Wetherill and vice president, Holt Hedrick began leading our class , even at recess.

Class of 1998



Philip
Abshier



Whitney
Adamson



Chad
Addis



Tuesday
Atchison



Ben
Ayer



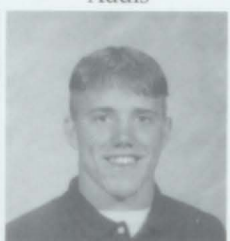
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Battreal



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Beaven



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Jeff
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Elizabeth
Bohannon



Sam
Bowers



Melanie
Brauns



Tim
Brumfield



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Jami
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Patricia
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Corey
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Michael
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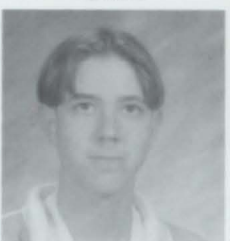
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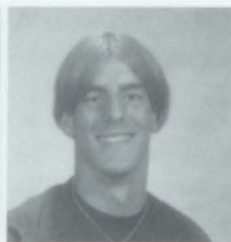
Class of 1998



Bryan
Gregory



B.J.
Gunn



Adam
Hall



Justin
Harris



Ryan
Harris



Glenn
Hasty



Beth
Hawes



Rose
Heichelbech



Megan
Helms



Jayson
Hetzel



Jason
Higdon



Alisha
Holonich



Josh
Hoofer



Misty
Horn



Pam
Houle



Sarah
Hunter



Brandon
Hurley



Andy
Imlay

When was your first kiss?

I don't remember.

It must have been a long time ago

Starr Beaven

4th or 5th grade

Jenni Small

6th grade

Kourtney Payne

When I was born

Carrie Parsley

None of your business

Mike Wiseman

9th grade

Michael Moore

What do you do after school

Go and visit with friends

Sam Embry

Clean

Misty Neale

Go home and watch the soaps that I record

Chasity Kesterson

Go home and sleep

Bobby Neighbors



Class of 1998



Lydia
Inman



Jessica
Jagers



Chasity
Kesterson



Mindy
Knight



Mandy
Koester



Valerie
Lashley



Alissia
Lauer



Michelle
Lorenz



Nathan
Ludwig



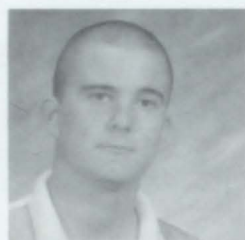
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Masterson



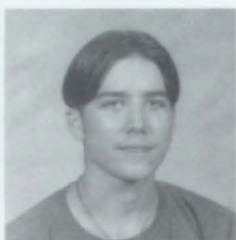
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Mayo



Jereme
McMahan



Jeff
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Austin
Moore



Slade
Morgan



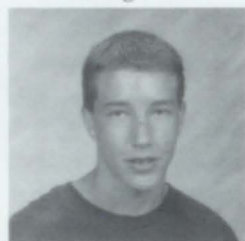
Jennifer
Mullican



Craig
Neal



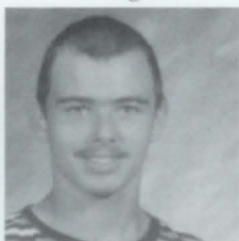
Misty
Neale



Bobby
Neighbors



Matthew
Newkirk



Clint
Newton



Jacob
Olmstead



Carrie
Parsley



Tony
Parsley



Kourtney
Payne



Laura
Perry



Brandon
Phillips



Jason
Pickerill



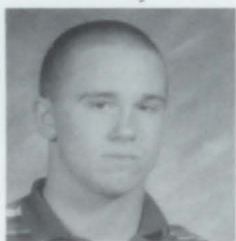
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Richardson



Laura
Richey



Matt
Riggs



Robby
Roberts



Justin
Robinson



Mackenzie
Ruark



Brigitte
Rust



Matt
Rust

Class of 1998



Bobby
Sarver



Carol
Scherer



Amanda
Sebree



Tasheika
Shaw



Keith
Shrode



Jennifer
Small



Gabe
Smithers



Ike
Stewart



Kristina
Stinson



Ryan
Stuteville



Adam
Wandel



Jennifer
Ward



Haley
Warren



Keith
Westfall



Elizabeth
Wimsatt



Chris
Winchester



Michael
Wiseman

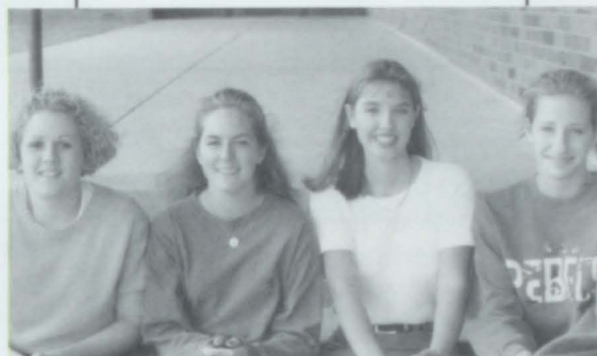


Angela
Wood

Who is your favorite movie star?

Brad Pitt
Nikki Houle
Jean Claude Van Damm
Alissia Lauer
James Caan
Andy Cross
Jim Neighbors
Ryan Harris
Pamela Anderson
Jon Young

CLASS



Vice President: Mindy Knight, President:
Lydia Inman, Treasurer: Abby
Richardson, Secretary: Christy Yearby

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What is your favorite tv show?

Seinfeld
Philip Ashier
3rd Rock from the Sun
Sarah Gilley
The Wayans Brothers
Amanda Sebree
Chicago Hope
Alisha Holonich
E.R.
Abby Richardson
Mad About You
Stephanie Biggs
Monday Night Football
Jereme McMahan

Class of 1998



Laura
Wood



Kristi
Yearby



Jamie
Young



Jonathan
Young



Sherry
Youngblood

Not Pictured
Adam Harper
Denny Green

*What is your favorite
place to shop?*

Gadzooks
Valarie Lashley
Goodwill, Salvation Army
Rose Heichelbech
Abercrombie and Fitch
Mandy Koester
Wal-mart
Slade Morgan
Triport
Jason Pickerill
Victoria's Secrets
Matt Riggs
Rocport Recycle Center
Adam Hall



*What is your
favorite car?*

Neon
Laura Richey
1965 Mustang
Nathan Ludwig
64 Impala
Austin Moore
Jaguar
Michael Curtis
1978 Dodge Diplomat
Matthew Newkirk
Ford Bronco
Ike Stewart
Anything that runs
Brigitte Rust
1996 Cadillac Eldorado
Adam Wandel

*What is your
favorite school lunch?*

Chicken Fries
Kristi Yearby
**Anything that comes with mashed
potatoes**
Mackenzie Ruark
Pizza and fries
Ben Ayer
Country fried steak
Jayson Wetzel
Alaskan snow crab
Jason Higdon
Pizza sticks
Matt Rust
Egg rolls
Tim Brumfield

*What type of
music do you listen
to?*

Anything
Justin Harris
Rock
Jamie Young
Basically everything
Jennifer Ward
Rap
Liz Wimsat
Classic Rock
Jeff Bockelman
Old Country like Hank
Chris Winchester
Country\Heavy Metal
Jason E. Blair
Rap
Haley Warren

Class of 1999



Marcanna
Adkisson



Barbara
Alvey



Brandon
Ambs



Brad
Ayer



Ken
Barnett



Stephanie
Beard



Amanda
Beehn



Monica
Bieber



Joseph
Blair



Justin
Blair



Kathleen
Blair



Zachary
Blanchard



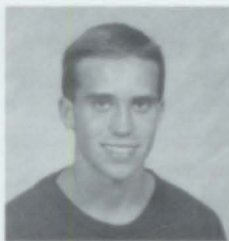
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Boop



Cascie
Bowen



Nicholas
Bowlds



Michael
Boyd



Aaron
Brandenberger



Lisa
Brown



Lacy
Bryant



Nicole
Buchanan



Crystal
Burden



Michael
Cameron



Frankie
Carf



Michael
Carver



Coral
Chmiel



Amy
Collins



Derek
Coomer



Rikki
Craig



Chris
Crawford



Linsey
Daniel



Jason
Davis



Nichole
Douglas



Jonathan
Freschly



Dennis
Fueger



Krissy
Gardner



Ashley
Garrett

Class of 1999



Jared
Goodman



Perry
Green



Frank
Hagy



Lindsey
Hancock



Patricia
Hancock



Eric
Harpenau



Jill
Harris



Greg
Hasty



Steven
Hayslett



Paula
Hemmer



Jenna
Herring



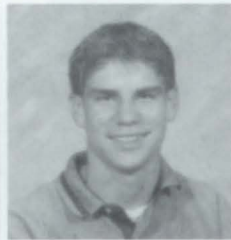
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Holbrook



Rachel
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Dustin
Houck



Rob
Houle



Mary
Houston



Brandon
Hundley



Warden
Jackson



Arain
Johnson



Leigha
Johnson



Jeremy
Joiner



Rebecca
Kellems



Chris
Keown



Amy
Kincheloe



Nicole
Kinman



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Courtney
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Melanie
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Jared
Maddox



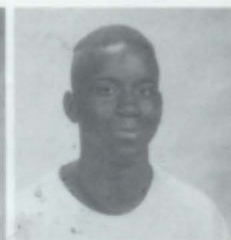
Amy
Magill



Ryan
Magill



Timothy
Mallory



Marcus
McCormick



Amanda
Meece

Class of 1999



David
Mills



Sarah
Monnier



Chad
Morgan



Samantha
Morris



Valerie
Morris



Christopher
Morrison



Jessica
Obermeier



Andrea
Payne



Brian
Payne



Amie
Perry



Josh
Pickerill



Justin
Rainwater



Laura
Render



Tabitha
Rice



Michael
Richardson



Steven
Richardson



Jeffrey
Ricker



Meredith
Ruark



Stephanie
Rumley



Jonathan
Scaggs



Jonathan
Schmidt



Amelia
Sebree



Iyan
Sherwood



Stephanie
Simmons



Melissa
Small



Erica
Smith



Timothy
Smith



Kimberly
Spaetti



Emily
Steinkamp



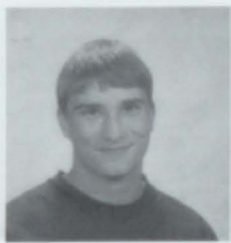
Clint
Stephens



Meredith
Stevens



Nicholas
Sturgeon



Jason
Taylor



Kimberly
Tharp



Heath
Therber



Wendy
Thorpe

Class of 1999



Rebecca
Todd



Amanda
Turner



Jacquelyn
Vaughan



Ryan
Vaughn



Eric
Vogel



Caleb
Wagner



Jessica
Weinbach



Andrew
Wells



Mary
Wetzel



Melissa
White



Sarah
Wilhelmus



Michael
Wilson



Suzanna
Wilson



Lori
Wirthwein



Chris
Wiseman



Lori
Wright



Allen
Young



Eric
Young

*What is the
best advice you
have ever been
given?*

*"Put yourself in the other
person's shoes."*

Erica Smith

*"Don't take life too
seriously."*

Iyan Sherwood

*What do you
value most in
life?*

Life it self

Chad Morgan

Corn Pops

Steven Hayslett

My horse, Dude

Dereck Coomer

CLASS



Vice President: Jon Scaggs, President:
Ashley Garrett, Secretary: Meredith
Ruark, Treasurer: Meredith Stevens

OFFICERS

*Who is your
role model ?*

*Mr. Renschler, because he
tells funny stories.*

Clint Stevens

Denis Rodman, he rules!

Brandon Hurley

*My mom. She's intelli-
gent, strong, beautiful,
and she never gives up.*

Marcanna Adkisson

*What is your
favorite holiday?*

*Christmas, you get the
longest break from school.*

Amanda Lathery

*B-day, because I'm young
and it makes me feel very
special.*

Meredith Stevens

Class of 1999

*What do you
believe is the #1
quality of a
friend?*

Being able to trust them.

Andrea Payne

Being able to confide in
them.

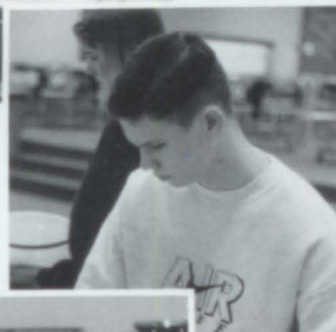
Amy Magil

TRUST!

Jessica Weinbach

They have to like the
same music as me.

Greg Hastey



*What is the
best gift you
have ever re-
ceived?*

Money

Cassie Bowen

You don't want to know.

Carlos Melendez

God gave us all his son,
Jesus Christ.

Stephanie Beard

**A Dukes of Hazard
sleeping bag**

Allen Young

A sweetheart ring

Tabitha Rice

My Dog

Wendy Thorpe

A picture of my grandma

Amy Kincheloe

*What is your
favorite place to
shop?*

Gadzooks

Stephanie Rumley

Goodwill

Jared Goodman

Gap

Lori Wright

Bacons, J.C. Penny's, Sears

Renee Beaver

Vanity

Valerie Morris

Rural King

Mike Boyd

McDonalds

Jason Davis

Salvation Army

Ryan Magill

*What kind of
clothing do you
prefer to wear?*

**Tommy or Boss jeans
(to my knees)**

T.J. Boop

Al Borlen Style

Jonathon Holbrook

*What do you
enjoy the most
about high
school?*

The stress

Caleb Wagoner

Being with my friends

Kim Spaetti

Sports

Becky Todd

Lunch

Amanda Turner

New bus routes

Jeremy Joiner

*What is your
favorite saying?*

"Yeah, Right!"

Nicole Buchanan

"Good Gravy!"

Clint Stevens

Class of 2000



Josh
Adamic



Phillip
Akers



Wyman
Alvey



James
Arnold



Curtis
Atkinson



Kip
Bates



Natasha
Beckort



Aaron
Benton



Paul
Biggs



Christina
Blair



Zachary
Boyd



Kacie
Brashier



Justin
Bryant



Clayton
Bunner



Kim
Burden



Lisa
Burden



Jessica
Butcher



Joshalyn
Calhoun



Ashley
Chapman



Brandon
Chapman



Terra
Chmiel



Skye
Crowe



Travis
Crowe



Doshie
Decker



Glenn
Deweese



Jennifer
Deweese



Zackary
Downs



Catherine
Drew



Drew
Driskell



Allen
Duley



Brandon
Duvall



Latona
Dwyer



Joseph
Edwards



Jody
Emerson



Greg
Evrard



Sheena
Fischer

Class of 2000



Patrick
Gentry



Jared
Gray



Melissa
Gugino



Shawn
Hagerty



Jeffrey
Haines



Kevin
Hall



Kimberly
Hall



Chris
Harney



Luke
Helms



Amanda
Herron



Nikki
Horn



Brandi
Howell



David
Huff



Kenny
Huff



Jenny
Hurt



Aaron
Hutchinson



Jeffrey
Hutchinson



Jason
Jessee

Who is your favorite cartoon?

Scooby Doo
Jason Young

Marvin The Martian
Brandon Yelland

Wile E. Coyote
Zack Tucker

Elmer Fudd
Zack Sublett

CLASS



Treasurer: Hilary Virgin, Secretary:
Danielle Rhode, President: Drew Driskell,
Vice President: Nicole Schulte.

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*What is that most
embarrassing thing you have
ever done?*

**I drove a truck into a ditch across from my
house.**
Eric Lindauer

**Getting my shorts pulled down at band
practice.**
Broch Symon

**Sneezed and my gum flew out of my mouth
and stuck to the wall.**
Skye Crowe

Class of 2000



Jessica
Jordan



Gregory
Keith



Charles
Kelly



Meech
Kelly



Jonathon
Kincaid



Jennifer
Koester



Jennifer
Lambert



Brandi
Lathery



Kari
Lillpop



Eric
Lindauer



Stephen
Little



Brice
Matthews



Katie
McCarty



Kim
McConnell



Niki
McCoy



Ricky
McCoy



Jerry
McMahan



Andrea
Mickus



Landon
Moore



Eva
Mullican



Kerry
Nix



Matt
North



Bobby
O'Nan



Paul
Owens



Audra
Parker



Brooke
Parker



Stacy
Payne



Jason
Penrod



Amanda
Pickerill



Steven
Pickerill



Scott
Raibley



Danielle
Rhode



Seanna
Russell



Samantha
Scherer



Makenzie
Schmidt



Nicole
Schulte

Class of 2000



Brian
Smith



Neil
Smith



Kris
Snyder



Victoria
Steele



Roy
Stepro



Valerie
Stevenson



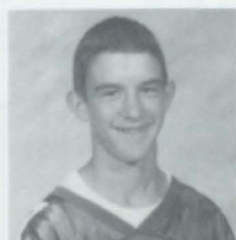
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Stuteville



Zack
Sublett



Donald
Sumner



Brock
Symon



Kandy
Taylor



Michelle
Thomas



Robbie
Thompson



Charlie
Titus



Zack
Tucker



Alicia
Turner



Chris
Valentine



Autumn
Vickers

*What do you look for in a
guy/girl?*

*A good personality, funny, cute responsible
and has good morals.*

Victoria Steel

Good looking, long blonde hair and blue eyes.

Jacob Wilhelmus

*What is the one goal you
would like to accomplish while
in high school?*

I would like to letter in several sports.

Michelle Thomas

I would like to pass P.E..

Takeia Taylor

*I would like to get hydraulics on my 1962
Impala.*

Brice Matthews



Class of 2000



Hilary
Virgin



Isaac
Wagner



Bryan
Walters



Jennifer
White



Lindsey
White



Jacob
Wilhelmus



Stephanie
Wilkinson



Nick
Wood



Brandon
Yelland



Jason
Young

Not Pictured

Brian Siddons
Takeia Taylor

*If you had one wish what
would it be?*

To be 7'7
Matt North

To date Pamela
Anderson

Steven Pickerill

To be a model
Katie McCarthy

To be in the yearbook
Niki McCoy

To bring Kurt Cobain
back to life.
Terra Chmiel

*What is your
favorite Holiday?*

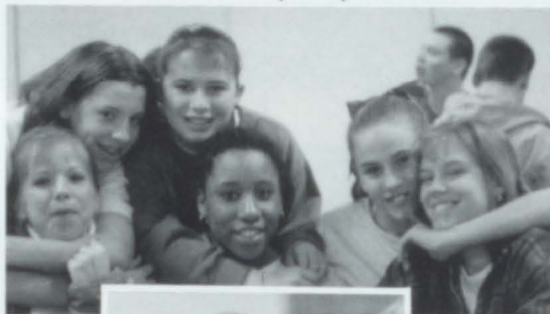
Halloween,
because I can go bag
snatching!

Landon Moore

Christmas, because it
gives you time with
your loved ones.

Brandi Lathery

Christmas, because of
presents!
Drew Driskell



*How did you
learn there
wasn't a tooth
fairy?*

I found my teeth in my
mom's purse.

Kerry Nix

I found out when my dad
pulled my tooth and I put
it under my pillow and I
didn't get any money.
When I asked my dad why
he said, "Because I haven't
gotten paid yet."

Scott Raibley

You mean there isn't a
tooth fairy!

Jerry McMahan

My dad told me so.

Christina Blair

When I left my tooth under
my pillow for a week!

Travis Crowe

My sister told me.

Chris Valentine

The Students of SSHS



*What do you
think is the
biggest event that
has happened this
year?*

My wreck - why? I almost
died, near death, but I
came out injury free!

Jason E. Blair

I got my picture taken with
the Northern Iowa cheer-
leaders, and I got to hang
out with them!

Jason Higdon

The band almost went to
state!

Nicole Schulte

I was elected into student
council. I would like to be
in student council again.

Shawna Russell

I got a car!

Valerie Morris

I was the first person
to win wrestling
sectionals at South
Spencer.

Ike Stewart

I liked making first at
state Solo & Ensemble,
because it was a good
experience for a
freshman.

Steven Little

I got a car of my own,
and I had never had
one before!

Ashlee Hancock

I went to Florida, and I
got the best tan!

Phil Abshier

I staightened my life
up by quitting all the
stuff the could kill me!

Jake Olmstead

I went to Aruba for
two weeks and when I
come back I had the
darkest tanin the
school.

Rebah Wilson

Faculty & Staff



Steve Altstadt
Earth Science
Biology



Bertie Ayer
Guidance
Secretary



Donna Ayer
Librarian



Jodie Bartlett
Aid



Linda Bockleman
Aid



Nancy Bretz
Cafeteria



Amelia Butler
Cafeteria



Ray Chamberlain
Earth Science
Computer Programming
Ecology



Cevin Collins
Guidance Counselor



Janet Daming
Cafeteria



Jacki Damm
Business



Ray Dawson
Business



Peggy Gardner
Aid



Joan Grose
Home Economics



Roger Guth
Math



Jim Haaff
English



Steve Haaff
Industrial Technology



Ed Harper
Aid



Jewelée Hart
Aid



Eric Havener
Industrial Technology



David Horn
Custodian



Judy Ice
Secretary



Donna Jones
Custodian



Diane King
Resource Teacher



Brian Kuester
Social Studies



Mike Little
Band Director



Jeanne Logsdon
English



Tim McIntosh
Physical Education



Anna Meece
Aid



Vera Meyer
German

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Joan Pence
Resource Teacher



Delilah Purviance
English



Larry Renschler
Chemistry
Physics
Drivers Education



LaVon Rininger
Aid



Linda Robinson
Cafeteria



Sandra Sanders
Biology
Anatomy



Mike Schroeder
Health
Drivers Education



Brett Schulte
Algebra
Geometry



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Cafeteria



Beverly Servatius
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Todd Stoermer
Government
Economics



Roxie Sullivan
Nurse

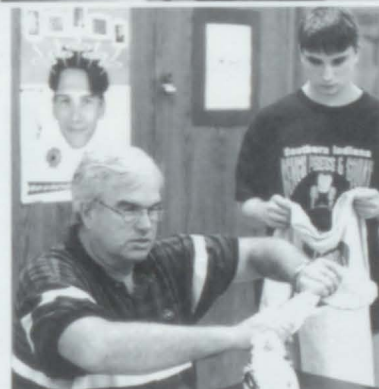
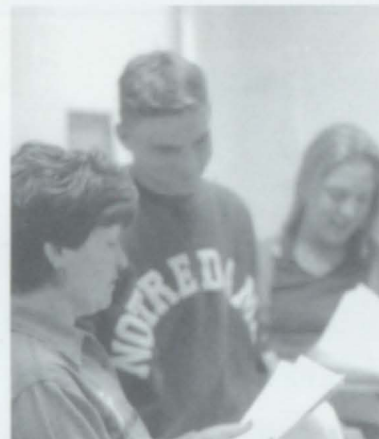


Richard Teaford
Drivers' Education
Technology



Neal Thomas
World & U.S. History
World Geology

*Being a teacher means
knowing how, showing how,
& being there.*



Faculty & Staff



Donna Wangler
Cafeteria



Evie Wildeman
Physical Education
Pre-Algebra



Joan Wilson
Choral & Theatre
Director



Karen Wireman
Athletic Secretary
Attendance



Bill Wood
Calculus
Geometry



Bob Vaal
Technical Advisor

*Who is your
favorite teacher,
and why?*

"Mr. Chamberlain be-
cause he's funny and he
lets us listen to music in
class."

Beth Langdon

"Mr. Schulte because he's
nice."

Melissa Small

"Mr. Guth because he lets
me do
turn arounds in his
driveway."

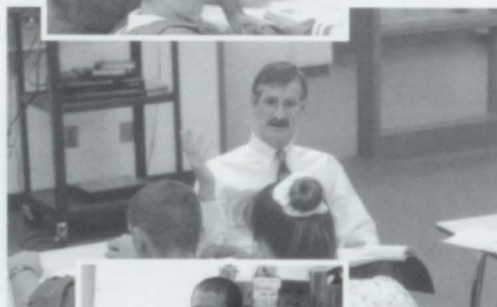
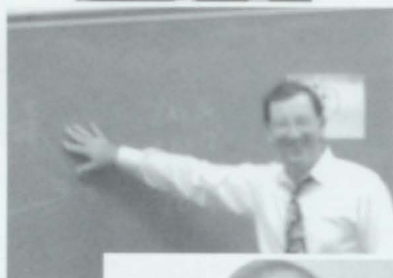
Sherry Youngblood

"Mr. Jim Haaff because he
mouths us back."

Jared Goodman

"Mr. Wood because he has
always helped me when I
needed it."

Echo Montgomery



*What is the best
advice you have ever
received from a staff
member?*

"Coach Mac told me to always
have pride."

Jeff Wood

"Mr. Stoermer told me not to
work too hard in class and
always pace myself."

Rebah Wilson

"The lunch ladies told me on
numerous occasions not to
forget my lunch card."

Jenny Sullivan

"Mrs. Wildeman always told me
to stop sleeping."

Nikki Houle

"Mr. Chamberlain told me
never to put nintendo cartridges
in the computer."

Sean Russell

Faculty & Staff



Joyce York
English
Speech
Journalism



Dr. Gerald York
French

Jim Haaf retires after thirty three years of teaching and coaching

"No matter what you do, do your very best. Get the most out of your abilities." Mr. Jim Haaff states this when asked what advice he would give to young people.

Mr. Haaff has been exhibiting his abilities as both a teacher and a coach at South Spencer for the past thirty years.

Mr. Haaff is retiring this year. Rifles and fishing rods will take the place of students and chalkboards when Haaff retires.

He is a fan of the great outdoors and hopes to spend his retirement days hunting and fishing.

Mr. Haaff graduated from Chrisney High School in 1960. He went on to Oakland City College where he graduated in 1964.

Haaff completed his graduate work at Western Kentucky University.

He earned a degree in P.E. and English. "From the beginning, I enjoyed school. I was influenced by some good teachers. From this, I developed the idea of coaching and teaching," stated Mr. Haaff. When he retires in the spring, Mr. Haaff says that he will miss dealing with students who are willing to learn.

When asked about what he dislikes about teaching Haaff replied, "The disrespect shown by some students and not being able to control that situation."

Teaching is just part of Haaff's life at South Spencer. Haaff has coached, basketball, and football in his career here.

He has been coaching baseball for the past thirty years. Haaff has coached his teams to 452 victories, 303 losses, 10 PAC championships, and 12 sectional and four regional titles.

In 1969 Haaff's team won the Semi State championship.

Mr. Brian Kuester is next in line for the position of head baseball coach.

"I feel he is very qualified and experienced. I am happy for him to have the opportunity," stated Haaff.



BOARD OF EDUCATION: Herb Shulte, Jim Boyer, Kevin DeWeese, David Zehr, and Rita Robinson



SUPERINTENDENT
Dr. Robert Ellis



**ASSISTANT TO
SUPERINTENDENT**
Richard Hedrick



**CORPORATION
TREASURER**
Judy Davis



**CORPORATION
SECRETARY**
Diane Parsley



Principal
Dr. Bart McCandless



**Assistant to Principal
Athletic Director**
Wayne Boultinghouse



HELP ME HELP ME!
Brandon Phillips and
Jeffery Joiner help with
the Reality Day program
held at the middle
school.



WHAT WILL WE DO IN ONE YEAR?

1996 ORGANIZATIONS For every student the school day begins at 8:00. For some students the day is over at 3:00, but for the most of our students the day is over way after the hour of 3:00. Many of our students are involved in many different extracurricular activities. The activities usually meet during school hours, but their activities go on after school hours. This makes for a busy schedule for most, because some students have jobs after school and are also involved in activities as well. Even though being involved keeps students busy, it makes their high school years more exciting and more memorable.

1997

LORI WIRTHWEIN, Jon Scaggs and Nicki Jackson stand at the top level of the courthouse as the Rebel Singers performed selections from the Christmas concert. The Rebel Singers made quite a few changes this year. They had a new director, got new costumes, and sang at different events, such as the Grandview Fall Festival and The Indianapolis Motor Speedway Festival.



"I've been in Student Council all four years of high school and it's always been an activity that I enjoyed. Being president this year made me take on more responsibility."

JONI WADE



"The Beta Club is an excellent new organization, which allows me to show leadership and work with others to improve the school and community."

SARA HURM

TAKING INITIATIVE

and being a leader among peers, is not always an easy task, but for members of Student Council and Beta Club it is just one of their many responsibilities.

This was the first year of having Beta Club at our school. It was chosen as a replacement for National Society. Teachers decided upon the change due to the fact that they did not know the students on a personal level enough to make character judgements.

And LEADING THE WAY

This year the Beta Club sponsored a coat drive during the winter months for needy children. They also rewarded the student body with a recognition break for making the honor roll for the semester. The Beta Club also collected small items for a mission trip to Honduras.

The Student Council did their annual can drive during Christmas, and went caroling at the nursing home. This year they purchased a new Christmas tree, to replace the old one they had. They also sponsored several school dances. Close to the end of the year they sponsored a teacher breakfast. Many other students were involved in Reality Day at the middle school.



HOLT HEDRICK gives his inductees speech for the honorary member, Mr. Bob Stoemer, during Beta Club inductions.

JENNIFER MULLICAN prepares punch for the academic semester party. This party was sponsored by the Beta Club. To attend a student must have a 3.0 grade point average for the semester.



KEVIN THORPE leads the charter Beta Club members in the Beta Club pledge.



TONY PARSLEY and **ERIC HARPENAU** take part in the *Reality Day* at the middle school. This program involved high school students playing various roles of merchants, such as bankers or car salesmen. The middle school students played the roles of new parents entering the job market and the "real world."

ANNE, PLAYED BY Stephanie Beard argues with her over protective father for the right to wear silk stockings.

BUT HE'S SO CUTE!

Even though the family pet is adorable, father doesn't want it sleeping on his bed; No matter how much his children love their new five dollar dog. Jonathan Scaggs orders two of his sons to "Get Rid Of That Dog!"



HOW MANY children does it take to answer the phone? The Gilbreth children rush to answer the phone in hopes for it to be a boy calling for Anne.

GIVE ME A HOO RAH RAY! Scott Morgan plays the part of an over confident cheerleader who wants to go out with Anne Gilbreth.



THE GILBRETH'S

became everybody's favorite family from the 1920's in the fall play, *Cheaper By The Dozen*. The Gilbreths were a normal everyday family. Well ok, so there was one difference. This family had 12 kids. Jonathan Scaggs played the head of the household, Frank Gilbreth, a very strict father and a world famous expert in the field of time management, so he ran his house like an efficient factory; he also expected his children to work with such efficiency as well. He like most parents, wanted his kids to do well in school. Yet, he went as far as to push them to skip grades. This meant that they had to give up much of their social life to find time to do extra homework.



"In past productions, I have never been so involved in my characters that I could experience their emotions, but in the last scene of *Cheaper By The Dozen*, I was always brought to tears."

EMILY SEITZ

Visit

SOUTH SPENCER

Luckily for the Gilbreth children their understanding mother played by Emily Seitz, was always trying to make things work out for both her children and her husband. That was perhaps, because she knew something about Mr. Gilbreth that her children did not. Their father was very ill. Although they were fooled by his energetic actions, the truth was that he had a very serious heart condition. Nearer to the end of the play, his illness became more evident causing the family to pull together.

The play made a person stop and realize just how important family life really is.



CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN
CAST: FRONT ROW: Andy Wells, Mary Houston, SECOND ROW: Jennifer Garrett, Craig Neal, Jonathan Scaggs, Emily Seitz, Jenny Sullivan, Scott Morgan, BACK ROW: Lenny Battreal, Michael Wilson, Justin Rainwater, Stephanie Beard, Jacquelyn Vaughan, Slade Morgan, Alissia Lauer. Stage Crew not pictured: Paula Hemmer, Sarah Gilley, Melissa Gugino, Stephanie Rumley.

JACQUELYN VAUGHAN and Slade Morgan, clown around during Rebel Singers class while practicing for the fall concert.

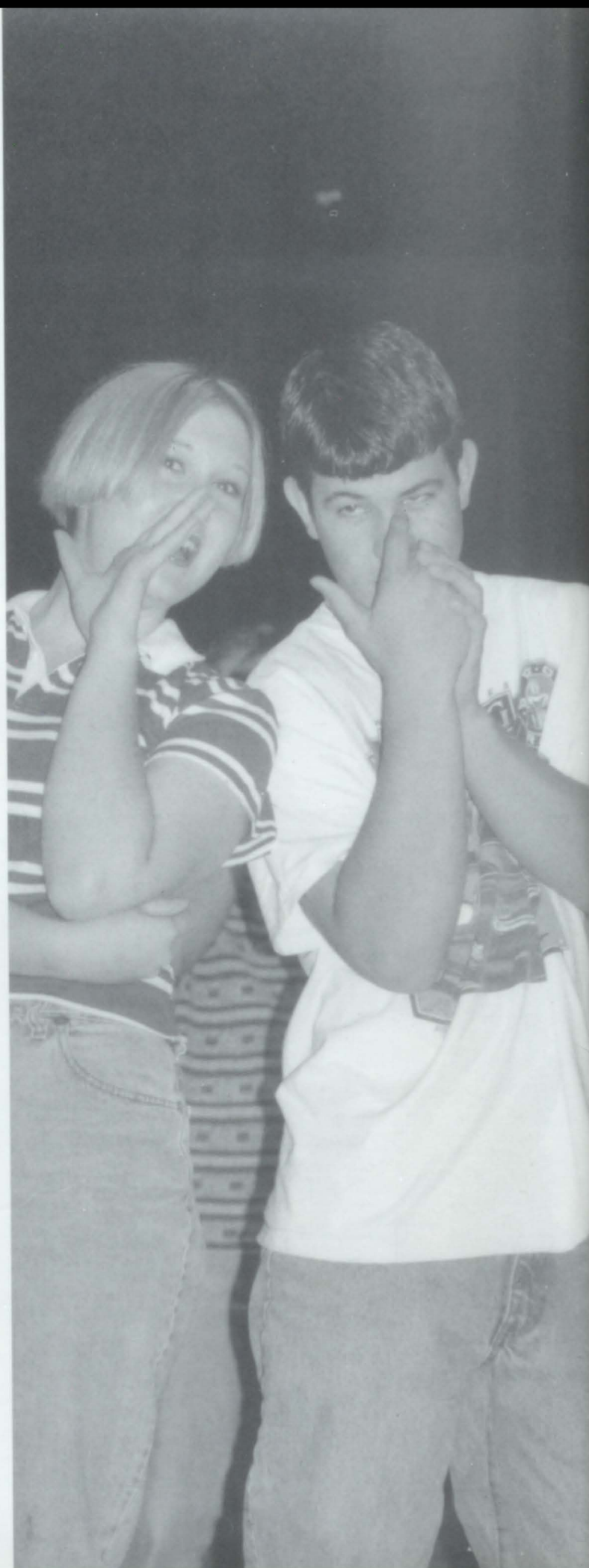


THE PEP BAND performs at the Welcome AK Steel ceremony.



KAM CRON SMILES about being a Rebel and being proud to support the Rebels at the sectional in Boonville.

SCOTT MORGAN WAS just one of the 189 students from our school who volunteered to load and fill sanbags during the flood. He, along with Allison Like and Brad Ayer, were interviewed by Channel 44 NSeeds about his experience with the flood relief.



SCHOOL SPIRIT,

these days it almost seems to be a thing of the past. However, quite a few students still find it necessary to show their team support. Those students are the members of groups like pep club, pep band, Rebel Jazz, Rebel Singers, and the newest group, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

The F.C.A. was started this fall. Mr. Bruce Green, a social studies teacher, and football coach at the middle school, sponsored this group with the help of the officers: Scott Morgan, Nick Beckort, Kristy Yearby, and Abby Richardson.

Another group that often showed their spirit in the community was the Rebel Singers. Under the direction of Mrs. Joan Wilson, the group had a very good year. They made several public appearances, as well as performed in their three annual concerts. Also, the Rebel Singers received a division one rating at the Solo & Ensemble

It is MUSIC TO OUR EARS

contest held at Harrison High School. They traveled to Indianapolis for the state contest and received a division two.

The pep band and Rebel Jazz groups also showed their school pride by being involved in the home basketball games. The pep band helped set the mood for the games with their up-beat music, and the Rebel Jazz provided entertainment for the fans between games and at half times.



"My favorite thing about Rebel Singers was probably my freshman year, and the way all the seniors took leadership."

DEVIN
NEWTON



"I like being in pep band because you get in the games free."

Jimmy Girtten

ZACK DOWNS enjoys Cajun crawfish at the Mardi Gras Cafe. The French classes went to the Newburgh Cafe in order to celebrate Mardi Gras.



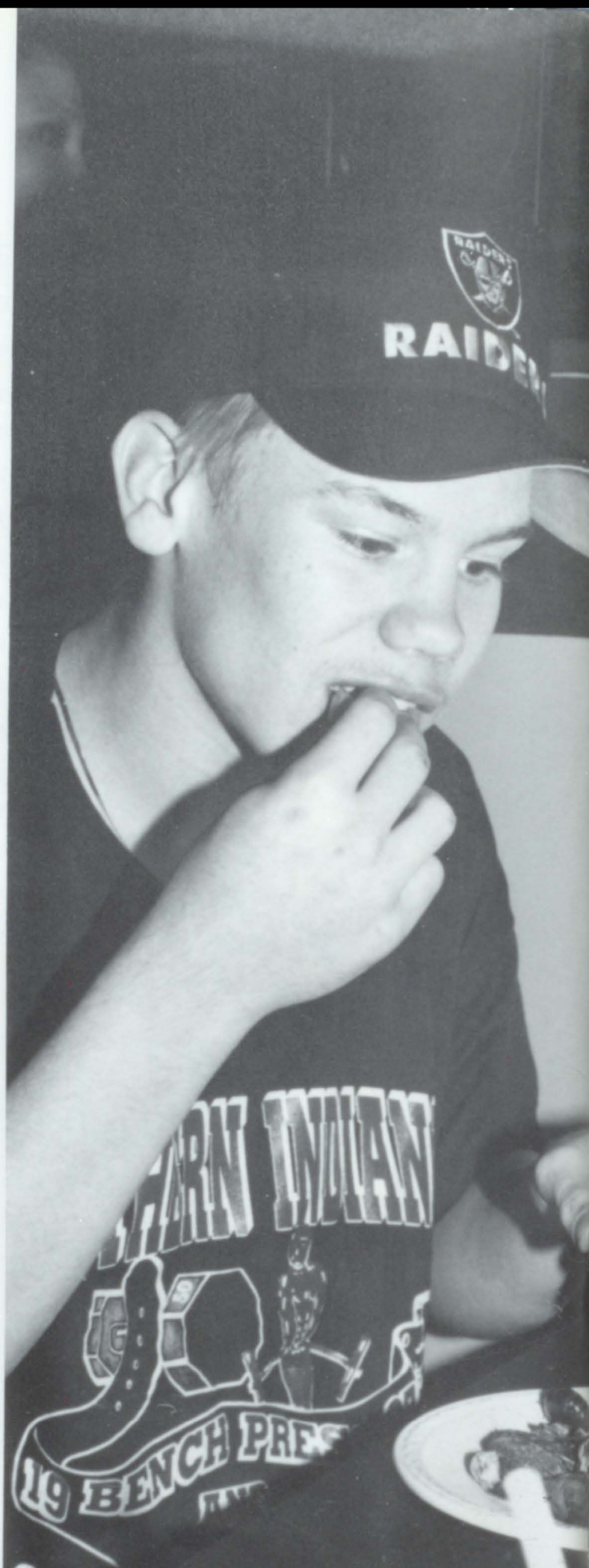
BRIGGETTE RUST, a French III student enjoys the taste of Cajun food.



RYAN ZARICKI stuffs his face at the French/German tailgate party, held in the school parking lot before a football game.



SEVERAL OF THE FRENCH students that went to the Mardi Gras were so friendly, they convinced one of the waitresses to join them.



FOREIGN LANGUAGE

students have been through many changes this school year. This year during football season the foreign language club sponsored a tailgate party before the game. In order to attend a student had to be presently enrolled in a foreign language class at the time. The party was set up like an outdoor cafe and French and German food was served.

They also went on their annual caroling trip in



"Deutsch ist
besser als
Fransosieh!"

German is better
than French.

JON EATON

It is ALL IN GOOD TASTE

Rockport during the Christmas season. After walking around town and singing some of the group went to Angelos.

It seems however that the major club activities centered around food. The German students went to the Schnitzelbank restaurant in Jasper to experience the taste of real German food. The French students took a trip to Newburgh to the Mardi Gras Cafe to try some real French food.



"I had a lot of fun
learning a new
language."

A S H L E Y
GARRETT

GWEYNN PLAYED by Emily Seitz, tries to fix the hem on the dress worn by Ella played by Jenny Sullivan.

OLGA, played by Alissia Lauer begs Jeff, played by Slade Morgan to accompany her to THE RACES!

EVERYBODY likes to party and Jason Higdon and other cast members are no exception.



SANDOR, portrayed by Jon Scaggs, pretends to be in love with Sue, but really he just wants her money. Sue, played by Stephanie Beard, the owner of an answering service willingly believes Sandor's every word.



DR. KITCHELL, portrayed by Craig Neal, sings one of the many songs he has composed on his air hose.



BELLS ARE RINGING

was the spring musical. The plot was developed around the growing demand for telephone answering services.

The heroine, Ella Peterson played by Jenny Sullivan, worked for an answering service, *Susanswerphone*, owned by her cousin Sue, played by Stephanie Beard.

Ella had a tendency to become over involved with the

AND STUDENTS ARE SINGING

subscribers, and even fell in love with one of them, "Plaza-O, double -four, double -three," Jeffery Moss, played by Slade Morgan. He was a young playwright who had trouble staying focused on his work. Ella was determined to save him and his career by correcting his downfalls.

Meanwhile, Sue fell in love with J. Sandor Prantz, played by Jon Scaggs, the president of Titanic Record Company, which was located at *Susanswerphone*. Titanic Records is actually Sandor's "Little Bookie Ring." Suspecting *Susanswerphone* as a vice-ring, the police monitor their operations.

Jeff fell hopelessly in love with Melisande Scott, a character Ella has adopted in order to keep Jeff unaware of her true identity. Meanwhile Sandor assures Sue of his love for her as a cover to get her money.

With the help of Ella, the police unknowingly close in on Sandor's "Simple Little System." As for Jeff, he found that Melisande is actually Mom, the little old lady at the switchboard, which in turn is Ella. Ironically every woman Jeff seemed to care about turned out to be Ella in the end.



"I liked playing the part of Ella because she was such a diverse character. At one moment she could bring me to tears and at another she would have me laughing."

JENNY
SULLIVAN



"I liked playing the part of Jeff Moss because not only was he a chick magnet, but he also had a soft sensitive side."

Slade
Morgan

SEVERAL STUDENTS
HELP fill sandbags dur-
ing the flood of 1997.

BRIAN WILHELMUS
AND Denny Hinton pick
up their graduation an-
nouncements during
lunch.



BRANDI SHELBY AND
Missy Garrett help out
during Reality Day at the
middle school.

ANDY DRISKELL and
David Mills prepare for
yet another Rebel Singer
concert





IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL

students always seem to be finding some way to get involved. Whether it's working on homework, having an after school job, or just hanging out with friends, it looks as though everyone has figured out that time goes by faster when you're not just sitting around watching it tick by.

STUDENTS TAKE PART AND GET INVOLVED

Throughout the school year students participated in many diverse activities. As always, several students took on after school jobs. Some found it necessary to work simply so they could enjoy the benefits of a little extra cash flow. Others needed a job so that they could make car payments and save money for college. No matter what their reasoning was, having an after school job teaches a person responsibility as well as earning money.

During the flood of 1997, many students helped out in the community by sand-bagging for businesses and other families. Without the help of the students, many businesses and families would have been in serious water trouble.

Twice this year a small group of students went to the middle school for Reality Day. This was to teach the kids the responsibilities of everyday life.



"It (FCA) gives kids a place to go and something to do, where you don't have to worry about the peer pressure of drugs and alcohol."

KRISTI YEARBY



"People think school spirit is something you have, but it's not; it takes effort."

STEPHANIE
BIRCHLER



WHAT WILL WE LEARN IN ONE YEAR?

YOU LEARN MANY things in speech class, and not all of it comes from Ms. York. Here, Jennifer Mullican teaches her class how to wear a marching band uniform.



1996

ACADEMICS

How do you measure the time in a year in academics? Do you measure it by the number of A's and B's you get on your report card, or by the 1,260 class periods you attend? Maybe you measure it by how many notes you took in biology, or by how many times you heard your teacher say, "Open your books and turn to page..." However you measure the year, the time you spend on academics is time well spent.

The school year started with two new administrators. Dr. Bart McCandless became our new school principal and Wayne Boultinghouse became our Athletic Director/assistant to the principal. Also joining our staff was Bertie Ayer, guidance secretary, and Joan Wilson, vocal music teacher.

The Special Education Department also underwent some changes. The Special Education department is now being taught by three full-time teachers and three aids. Peggy Gardner, Jewelee Hart, and Jodi Bartlett were hired as aids because more special education students had come to our school. Before this year, the students were bused to Tell City, which was very hard on them due to the time changes.

So how do you measure the time in a year? Measure by what you learned.

1997

IT'S A CAT and it purrs, but it's nothing you'll want to hold! Denny Hinton takes classes in Diesel Technology at Kentucky Tech where he works on huge engines like the "Cat" diesel engine behind him.

CO-EDITORS, Emily Young and Jennifer Langdon, and reporter, Valarie Bryant, look over Allison Like's shoulder to help with the newspaper layout.

PROOF READING is a very important part of putting out a publication, so Haley Warren reads over the newspaper again and again to make sure there are no mistakes.



“ Being the editor of the year-book has not only taught me about journalism, but it has also taught me about how to work with people, and how hard it is to produce a book that everyone will like.”



JENNY SULLIVAN, SENIOR

“ I enjoy newspaper because I like to write and report about the different things that go on around the school.”

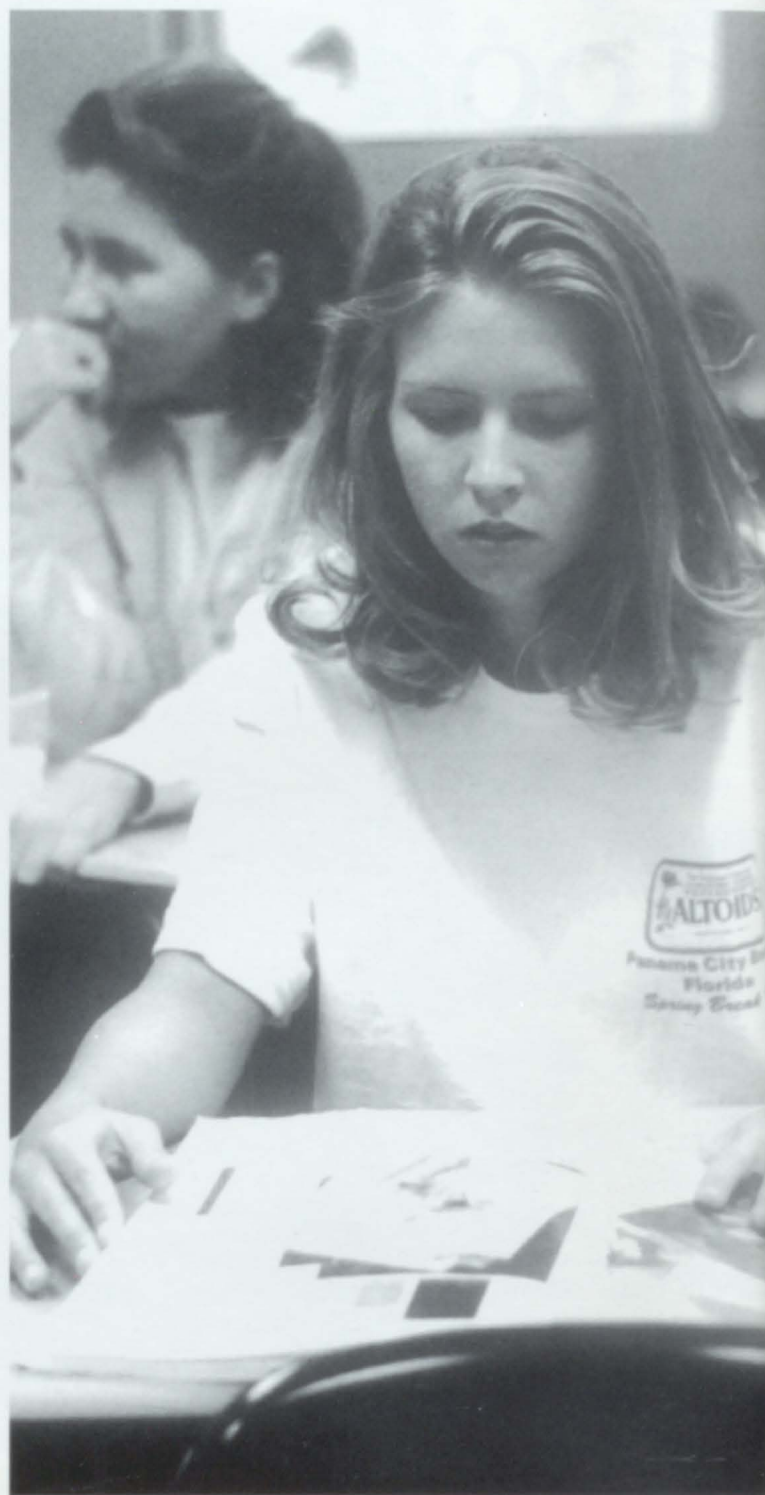


EMILY YOUNG, SENIOR

“ I enjoy journalism because it's fun getting involved in everything that goes on around the school and reporting them to everyone else.”



JENNIFER LANGDON, SENIOR



Making headlines

and meeting deadlines

MAKING HEADLINES and meeting deadlines are harder than it sounds. The amount of work that goes into the school newspaper and into the school yearbook is enormous. The responsibility put on these students' shoulders is equally as large. This not only teaches the students responsibility, but it also sparks their creativity and sharpens their writing abilities. Journalism is an example of school work where not only do the students learn, but they enjoy it, and the hard work that these students put forth benefits the whole school. If it weren't for the journalism classes all the memories students create would get lost in the shuffle.



LORI HAINES, editor of the organizations section, works on cropping a picture for her section of the yearbook.



CHERI DAMING DOES THE ENDLESS JOB of typing in names and page numbers into the index of the yearbook while making sure not to overlook anyone.

JONI WADE, editor of the academic section, lays out her pictures for the physical education spread and places them in the correct spots.



WORKING TOGETHER to get things done makes everything easier. That's why Jenny Sullivan, editor in chief of the yearbook, and Emily Seitz, co-editor of the yearbook, use two heads rather than one to produce an excellent yearbook.

Gym Dandy

to the rescue

Basketball, baseball, tennis, swimming, golf, and weightlifting are just a few of the activities that are included in the physical education classes. P.E. is a great class to help the students get into shape and to stay in shape. In advanced P.E. lifting weights at least three times a week helps the students with the sports in which they participate. Most P.E. students say they enjoy this class because it gives them a chance to release all of their energy and have fun for an hour. It also gives students a good way to fit exercise into a hectic schedule, when time doesn't permit. With a P.E. class in your schedule, staying in shape is much easier.



SCOTT MORGAN GOES FOR THE JUMP SHOT and prays that it will go in. Scott, a senior, teaches freshmen how to really play the game.



ERIKA DRISKELL WORKS THE LEG SLED during advanced P.E. in order to keep her in shape. It also helps her build up her strength for sports.



SENIOR, ADAMBROEKER fights to get over freshman, Demetris Kelly's block. Combining seniors and freshmen in P.E. is a great way to challenge the freshmen and help the seniors get to know the underclassmen.

VOLLEYBALL is one game that everyone loves, especially these three guys in advanced P.E., Jason Heltzel, Kevin Geer, and Matt Wroe take their volleyball games seriously, so when Kevin slammed the ball for a score the game got even better.



CHARLIE KELLY SHOWS Jeff Wood that white men really can jump. Playing one on one basketball in 4th period P.E. class during free time was a great time for Charlie to challenge Jeff to prove that freshmen aren't inferior in everything.

B.J. GUNN RELAXES between reps.

With all the hard work B.J. puts forth he has to relax sometime.



“ It's nice to have a class like P.E. because you can take a break from thinking for a while and have fun. ”

**ZACK SHELTON,
SENIOR**



“ I'm glad I'm in P.E. because it keeps me fit, in shape, and helps me with all my sports activities. ”

**NIKI MCCOY,
FRESHMAN**



“ I enjoy P.E. because it gives me a break from my hard classes and works my body and my mind at the same time. ”

**JOSH PICKERILL,
SOPHOMORE**

BRANDON HURLEY shows his speech class how to make his favorite sandwich, peanut butter and chocolate. No matter how strange it seems, he insists it tastes great.

MAKING cinnamon rolls for her speech was a great way for Jillian Morrison to feed her hungry classmates and get an A for the day.



" I am glad I took college credit English because we start writing papers on a college level while we're still in high school. This has prepared me for the papers I will have to write in college."

ALLISON LIKE,
SENIOR



" Using music in French class makes the learning atmosphere a little more fun. It's a nice change of pace."

DR. GERALD YORK,
TEACHER



" English is a good class because it helps me learn the skills that I will use in college. For example, research papers. They're not fun, but they will help me later."

NICK BOWLDS,
SOPHOMORE



Brains

at their best

COMMUNICATION is used everyday by everyone, no matter where you live, how old you are, or how smart you may be. This is why the speech, English, and foreign language classes are emphasized with such importance. What you learn in these classes will stay with you your whole life whether you realize it or not. That is why you are forced to recite those plays in literature, write those never-ending papers in English, sing those foreign language songs at Christmas, and give those nerve racking speeches in speech class. So when you look back years from now, remember the hard times you put your teachers through, and think where you would be without all they have taught you.



WITH THE HELP of B.J. Lantrip, Rob Burrows gives a quick overview Taikwondo in his demonstration speech. Not only does the class learn some defense, but they also learn the history of Taikwondo.



SUBWAY SANDWICHES are something that almost every student has eaten and has watched being made, but when Jon Eaton showed his speech class the proper way to prepare a Subway sandwich they realized there is more to it than just throwing it all together.

CARVING A PUMPKIN may look easy, but when Nathan Ludwig and Ryan Stuteville give a demonstration speech on the art of pumpkin carving it sheds a whole new light on it. With the tips that these two guys gave, pumpkin carving becomes easy and fun.



DOING A RESEARCH PAPER is hard work, but Echo-Dawn Montgomery uses the computer to make the job a little easier. Here, Echo-Dawn is using spell check to assure that she will get an A.

Science

the endless frontier

WITH MRS. SANDERS' ADVICE Chelsea McIntyre picks out the perfect sheep heart to dissect. A sheep's heart is just one of all the items the anatomy classes have cut up.



SCIENCE AND HEALTH are definitely endless frontiers. The wide field of study that surrounds them is almost endless. With all our science classes like biology, chemistry, physics, and general science it still wasn't enough for us. This year anatomy and physiology was added to the curriculum. This class, taught by Sandra Sanders, is which prepares students to go into the medical field. But you can't have a weak stomach if you take this class because dissecting sheep eyes, hearts, and brains are part of the class. This is just one step our school is taking into the endless frontier of science.



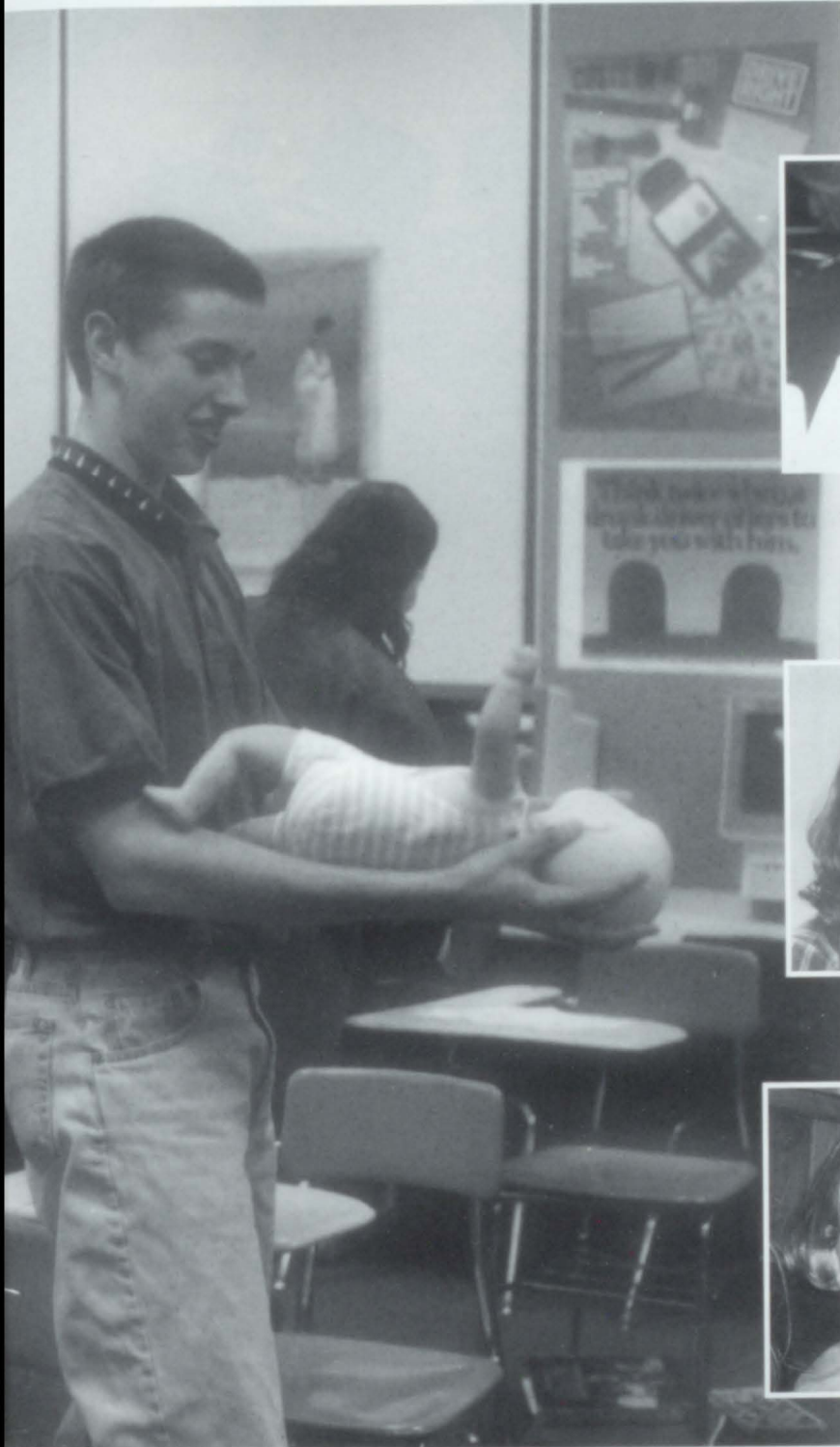
THESE THREE PHYSICS students put acceleration to the test by using friction. As Jon Eaton hammers, Cheri Daming and Ryan Zaricki hold the yard stick to measure the distance the carts move.





ARAIN JOHNSON PRACTICES GIVING C.P.R. to an adult dummy. After completing this course he now has a C.P.R. license of his own.

SINCE KNOWING C.P.R. can save a life, it is an important section that is covered in health class. Here Bobby Sarver practices administering CPR to an infant so that one day he might be able to use the knowledge to save a life.



"I like chemistry because you get to mix different chemicals and do all kinds of experiments."

JIMMY GIRTEN, SENIOR



"Anatomy was a great class for me to take because it prepared me for college, but all the blood was sickening."

ANGELA WOOD, JUNIOR



"I chose Anatomy and Physiology because I knew it would help me prepare for college and a career in the medical field."

EMILY SEITZ, SENIOR

THIS IS ONE of the more artistic parts of the performance. Picking Sarah Gilley up and spinning her made the show very unique.



FIELD COMMANDERS Laura Wood and Doris Schulte hold the Division I trophy the band received at District. Ahead of them lay two weeks of hard work for the band to prepare for regionals, with the help of band directors Mike Little and David Hughes.

“ In the past years we’ve been told that we have the show to go to state, but this year we really thought we were going to make it to the dome. This made the loss at regionals hurt even worse, but we still had a great feeling inside because we had just performed our best show of the year.”



LAURA WOOD, JUNIOR

“ Band has always been fun for me and has made me more responsible, disciplined, and competitive.”



CLINT WETHERHILL, SENIOR

“ Even though we did not go to state this year I believe that we took one step closer to the dome. I feel that before I graduate I will get the privilege of marching in the dome.”



NICOLE SCHULTE, FRESHMAN



Taking just one more step

ONE STEP CLOSER to the dome. This is how many band members would sum up their season. When looking back, even though it ended on a sad note, the season was not seen to be a failure. One of the best moments that sticks out in many people's mind is the contest at North Posey. The Marching Rebels will never forget the thrill of getting 1st Place, Best Percussion, and for the first time in two years, Sweepstakes. What made the season great is that not only did they prove to themselves to be the best at North Posey, but at many other contests also. The Rebels received 1st Place at Boonville, 1st Place and Best Percussion at Tell City, 2nd Place and Best General Effect at Heritage Hills, and 3rd Place and Best Field Commanders at Castle. After receiving a Division I at District the band advanced to regionals. At regionals the band performed their best show of the season, and many felt the band was a shoo in for state. This made the narrow loss even more heart breaking. Later, after the tears were gone, looking back on the season left many with a smile and the realization that the Marching Rebels should feel a great deal of pride for their hard work and achieve-



JON SCAGGS PLAYS HIS HEART OUT and gives it all he's got in order to ensure an excellent performance.



OHSAY CAN YOU SEE the guard saluting as the band plays the star spangled banner at a home football game.

WHILE MARCHING a winning performance Jenna Hering, Kim Spaetti, and Jennifer Mulligan concentrate on keeping their toes up, watching the field commander, staying in line, and playing their music in order to help the band win the first place that they received that day.



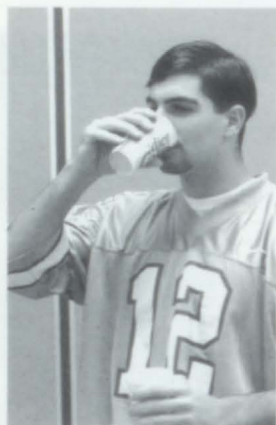
DETERMINATION IS THE KEY to success and the drumline showed their determination by practicing at least three times a week. Even though they didn't enjoy doing those 400 push ups that horrible day in band camp they were definitely worth it. Their efforts earned the the first Percussion awards in three years.

Making history

while learning about the past

ELECTION YEAR is a big year for the social studies classes. Mr. Todd Stoermer's government classes organized a mock election in which 43% of the student body participated. Our results were similar to the real election results with Lee Hamilton winning the 9th District, Frank O'Bannon defeating Steve Goldsmith for governor, and Bill Clinton winning a second term as president.

While Mr. Stoermer was busy teaching about America's government and economy, Mr. Brian Kuester was teaching about America's history. Mr. Neil Thomas was the man that did it all because, not only did he teach American History, but he also taught world geography and world history. With all of these great teachers the students couldn't help but enjoy learning about the past and present of the world in which they live.



PEPSI OR LOTSA SODA? Matt Wroe puts it to the test. The final decision? There's not much difference between generic and brand name products except for the price.



WHEN MR. STOERMER offered extra credit for election signs he got more than he bargained for. With the help of one of his economics class he simply used them to decorate his room. Cheri Daming, Christy Crane, Cam Kron, Tomarra Taylor, Mr. Stoermer, Del Stephens, Corey Lampkins, Carrie Goldman, Brian Coomes, Jeremiah Bratcher, Eric Mead, and Matt Wroe proudly pose in front of their work.

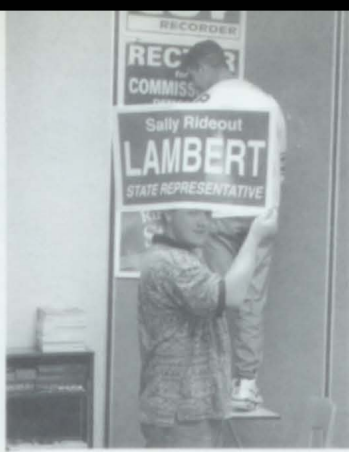
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NOT EIGHTEEN, but old enough to vote? The explanation to this is simple. Ryan Stuteville is voting in the mock election put on by the government classes. Emily Seitz supervises to prevent any kinds of cheating.

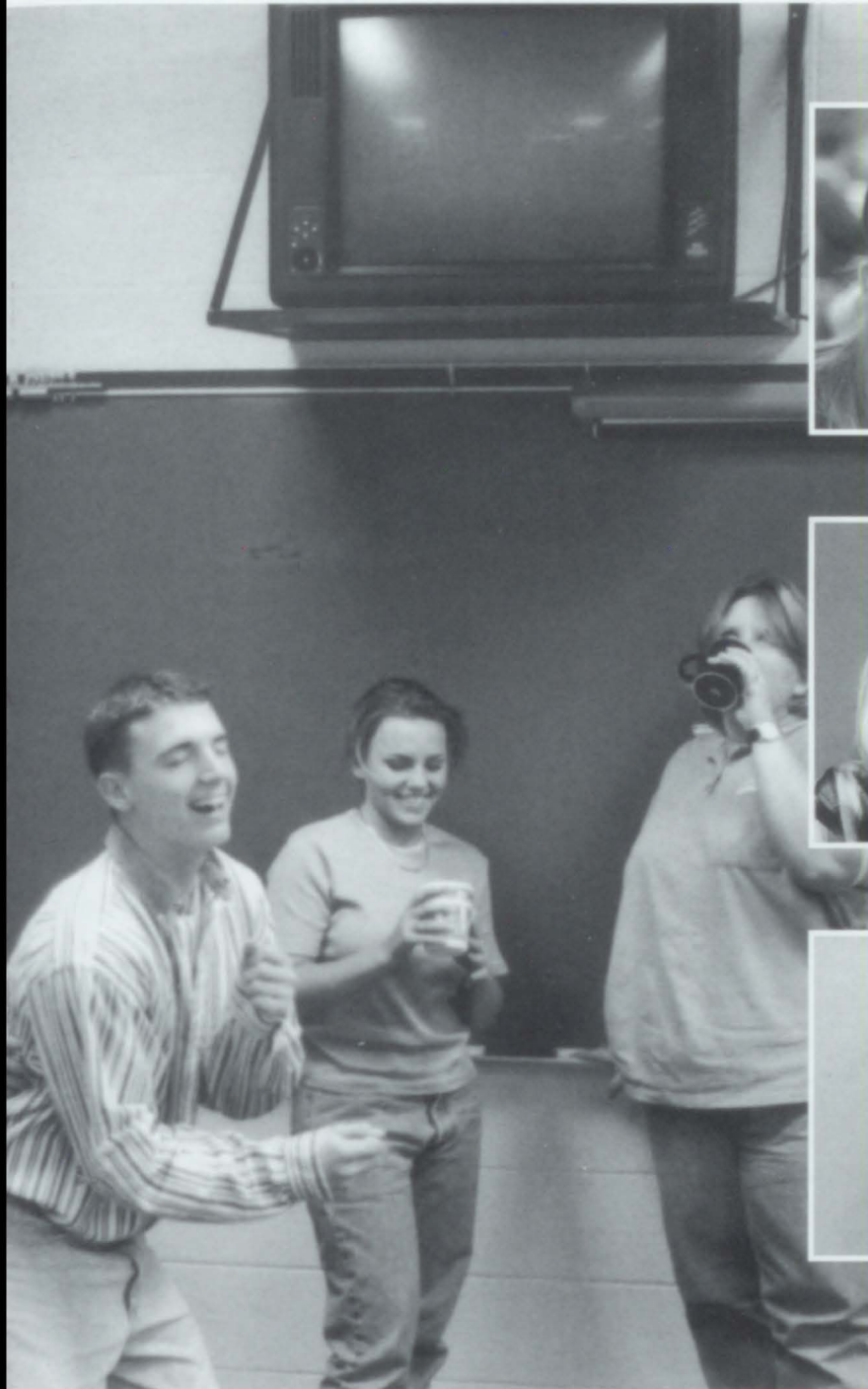
DEALING WITH PEER PRESSURE is something that every teenager is faced with. In Mr Brian Kuester's sociology class students act out skits of situations that many teens face so that they will know how to handle them. Patty Green and Brandon Phillips dance at a party while Brandi Shelby and Emily Seitz drink in the background.





REPUBLICANS ARE THE ANSWER according to Brian Coomes as he displays one of the signs of a Republican. Although they weren't the answer in this election, Brian still stands by his political party as he decorates Mr. Stoermer's room with the signs brought in by students.

JASON PICKERILL, JAMIE YOUNG, AND JOSH BURDEN create a skit that deals with racism. With Mr. Kuester's advice they figure out the best way to handle bigotry.



" I like economics because I learned how to make my money go farther and how to do my taxes. "

**JENNIFER GARRETT,
SENIOR**



" I like U.S. history because of Mr. Kuester. He makes it fun to learn. "

**MELANIE BRAUNS,
JUNIOR**



" Government is a great class because you learn about our government and have fun at the same time. "

**ERIC MEAD,
SENIOR**

FRANKIE CARF WORKS HARD on getting her blanket sewn together in time in order to get a good grade. With all the needlework that is required, the job becomes tedious, yet it must be done.



JACOB HORN works on carving out his face in plaster. After carving, he will begin painting it in any creative way he can imagine.



“ Art is a good way for people to express themselves. It allows me to be creative and imaginative, something not all my classes offer. ”



**VALARIE
BRYANT, SENIOR**

“ Child development is a good class to take because it helps you prepare for when you become a parent ”



**JENNIFER
LASHLEY, SENIOR**

“ I really enjoy child development because it gives me a chance to work one on one with the kids. ”



**MARY LOUDEN,
SENIOR**



Let your creativity flow

HOME ECONOMICS isn't just cooking and sewing anymore. For the last several years Mrs. Joan Grose has been teaching child development and family relations. In these classes the students learn how to raise children and build a family. Mr. Greg Sitzman, the art teacher, has also expanded the focus within his art classes. The days of simply drawing are long gone. Students created the large murals in the hallway, the pottery outside the room, and the drawings that decorate the school. Mr. Sitzman deals with students that have artistic ability and students that were born to create. Whether it was the practical arts or the fine arts, the fields of study have grown a great deal within the last year.



SEWING IS STEPHANIE BIRCHLER'S speciality, but she opts for the fast and easy sewing machine rather than hand sewing.



STEVEN HAZLET and Adam Hall listen intently to Mr. Sitzman's instructions about how to tie dye a shirt.



AFTER TWELVE YEARS of school Missy Garrett and Jill Winkler finally learn perfect table manners in home economics. Not only did they make delicious muffins, but they also set the table perfectly.

COOKING IS TIM BRUMFIELD'S specialty, so when he offers his food to his classmates they fight for the first serving.

Showing our strength in numbers

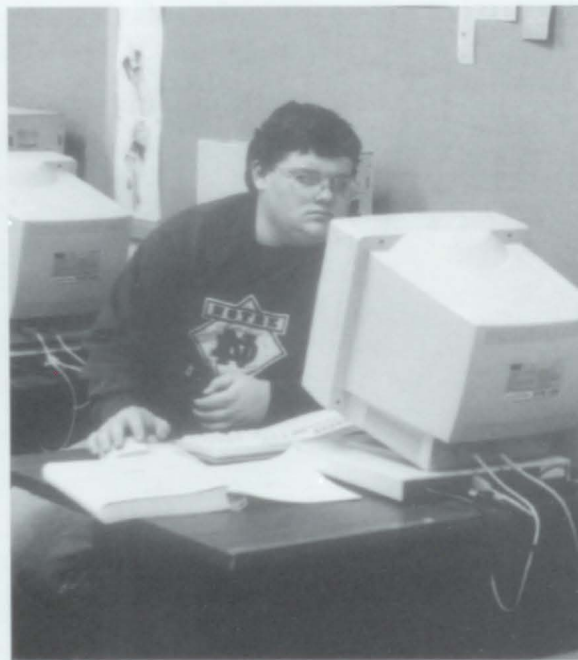
What do you do when the math problem doesn't work out right the first time? Just look at one of those inspiring sayings that Mr. Wood has hanging all over the walls and try again. Whether you're in the hardest math class or in the easiest computer class you always need some inspiration. Staring at a computer for a whole period straight can be tiring, but Mr. Dawson does his best to keep his class interested. Playing the stock market game in his business classes is one thing his students can look forward to. Whether it be working out a math problem or learning the laws of the land, these teachers find some way to make it fun.



COMPUTER APPLICATIONS is a great class to learn the basics of different computer programs. Here, Nikki Houle studies the computer screen and her book trying to figure out what to do next.

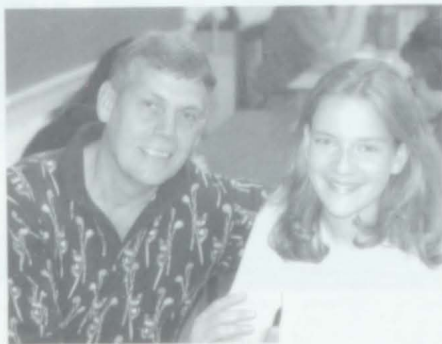
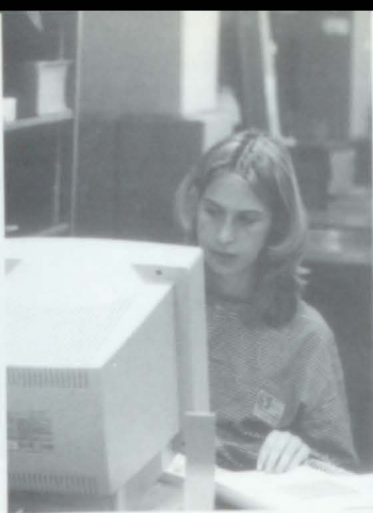


JESSICA BUTCHER uses her study hall time to try and figure out her geometry assignment. Being involved in many things Jessica has learned to use her free time wisely.



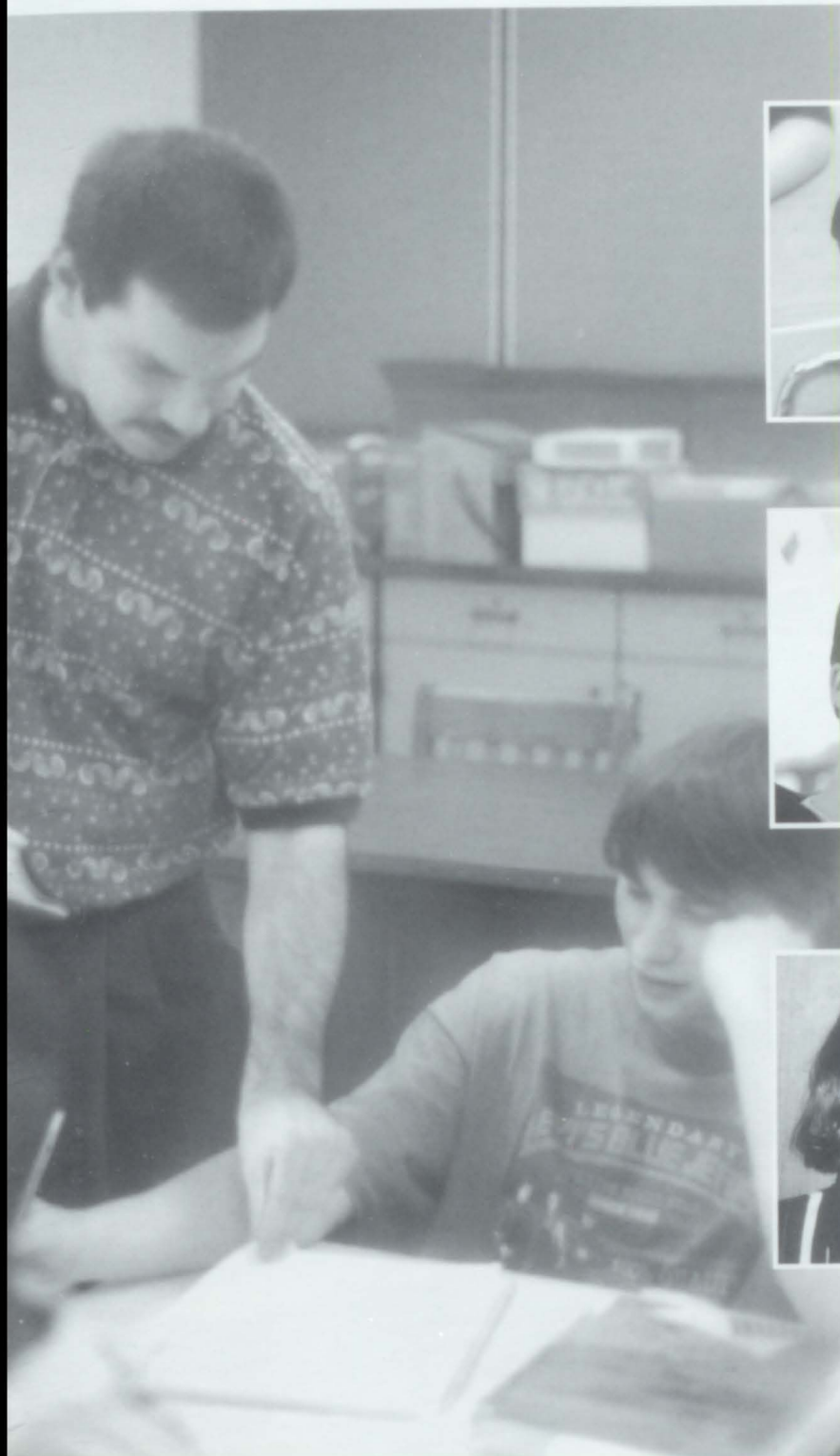
JONATHON HOLBROCK works hard on getting his computer work done by the deadline. In this class, most work is done on your own and at your own speed.

AS MR. BRETT SCHULTE CHECKS homework he stops at Jason Taylor's desk to make sure his is completed.



MELANIE LUDWIG concentrates on typing all the information into the data base on the computer. These are skills that will help her when she enters the work force.

WHILE EMILY STEINKAMP works on her algebra Mr. Guth stops by for a little one-on-one help.



"Many students are scared to take calculus, but it's actually a pretty fun class. Our class was interesting because we had a lot of great people."

HOLT HEDRICK, SENIOR



"In business law I learned what I can and can't do according to the law. Hopefully, this will help me stay out of trouble in the future."

NICK BECKORT, SENIOR



"Business law is an interesting class. I enjoy taking field trips and learning more about the impact of law in business."

ERIN SPAETTI, SENIOR

DENNY GREEN and Chris Winchester are sanding the body of a truck getting it ready to paint. Both Green and Winchester plan to work on cars after they graduate from high school.



ALL THE PAINT MUST BE SANDED OFF this car before the painting can be done. That is why Trevor Dunn and Jeff Mongold are working so intently on sanding off every speck of paint.

" I am glad I took woods this year because I learned a lot of skills that I will use outside of school. "



CHARLIE KELLY, FRESHMAN

" Auto cad is a great class to take because you learn to do so many things that will help you whether or not you are choosing a career in that direction. "



SARAH GILLEY, JUNIOR

" Woods is a great class where you learn and have fun at the same time. For me it was a great learning experience. "



DREW DRISKELL, FRESHMAN



Developing Skills

for the working world

THE TECHNOLOGY department, or industrial arts program is taught by three different teachers. Mr. Steve Haaff teaches his woods class how to do machine operation and maintenance safely as well as basic wood working skills. Mr. Eric Havener classes also do some building, but on a smaller scale. They rebuild small engine parts, usually from lawn mowers. Some of his students learn how to do electrical wiring, while others learn tricks to welding. Mr. Richard Teaforde teaches the design classes. His students learn how to draft machine parts on several different levels. All these teachers work together to teach skills that will help the students in their careers after school.



CLINT NEWTON ATTACHES JUMPER CABLES to a car in order to get it started. Once started maybe he can figure out what the problem is.



STARTING TRAINING for your career before you even get out of high school is a great benefit for many students. Christy Siddons uses this opportunity by taking cosmetology class at Kentucky Tech vocational school. Here she practices giving a manicure to fellow student.

AT VOCATIONAL school at Kentucky Tech Brian Wilhelmus and Michael Kamuf work on cutting a piece of metal with a tract torch.

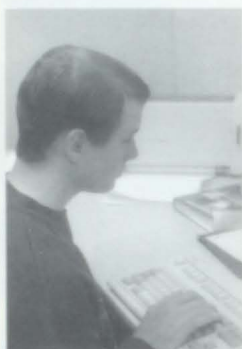


IN WOODS CLASSES Brian Smith and Dustin Houck focus on cutting the wood perfectly, so when building their shed it will be picture perfect.

Making the Grades

is what it's all about

STEVE Boultinghouse uses his typing skills to finish up his research paper.



ACADEMICS is what school is all about. Sometimes between all the extra curricular activities that is forgotten. But every spring we are reminded of academics importance when the academic banquet rolls around. This banquet is a way to show the students that the school is proud of the hard work they put forth. The requirements for the banquet is a grade average of 3.5 or above based on the first five six weeks. This year almost eighty students were invited to eat, socialize, and receive recognition for their accomplishments. First year recipients received a framed certificate, second and third year recipients received a small trophy, and four year recipients received a plaque.



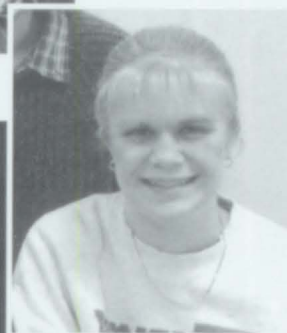
SENIORS: FRONT ROW: Brandi Shelby, Allison Like, Cheri Daming, Erika Driskell, Jennifer Langdon, Doris Schulte, SECOND ROW: Sara Hurm, Joni Wade, Nick Beckort, Jimmy Girten, Emily Young, THIRD ROW:

Kevin Thorpe, Emily Seitz, Melissa Smith, Jennifer Thomas, FOURTH ROW: Beth Langdon, Holt Hedrick, Clint Wetherill, FIFTH ROW: Jenny Sullivan, Ryan Zaricki, Anant Boultinghouse.

SPENDING MANY HOURS after school to get the job done is something many students do. Jessica Obermeier keeps her grades up and still finds time to perform in the orchestra for the spring musical.



FRESHMAN: FRONT ROW: Eva Mulligan, Danielle Rohde, Brandi Howell, Catherine Drew, Hillary Virgin, Nick Wood, SECOND ROW: Isaac Wagner, Stephen Little, Justin Bryant, Kip Bates, Jason Jessee, Gregory Keith.



“ I’ve always tried to work hard in high school not only to get good grades, but to prepare myself for college.”

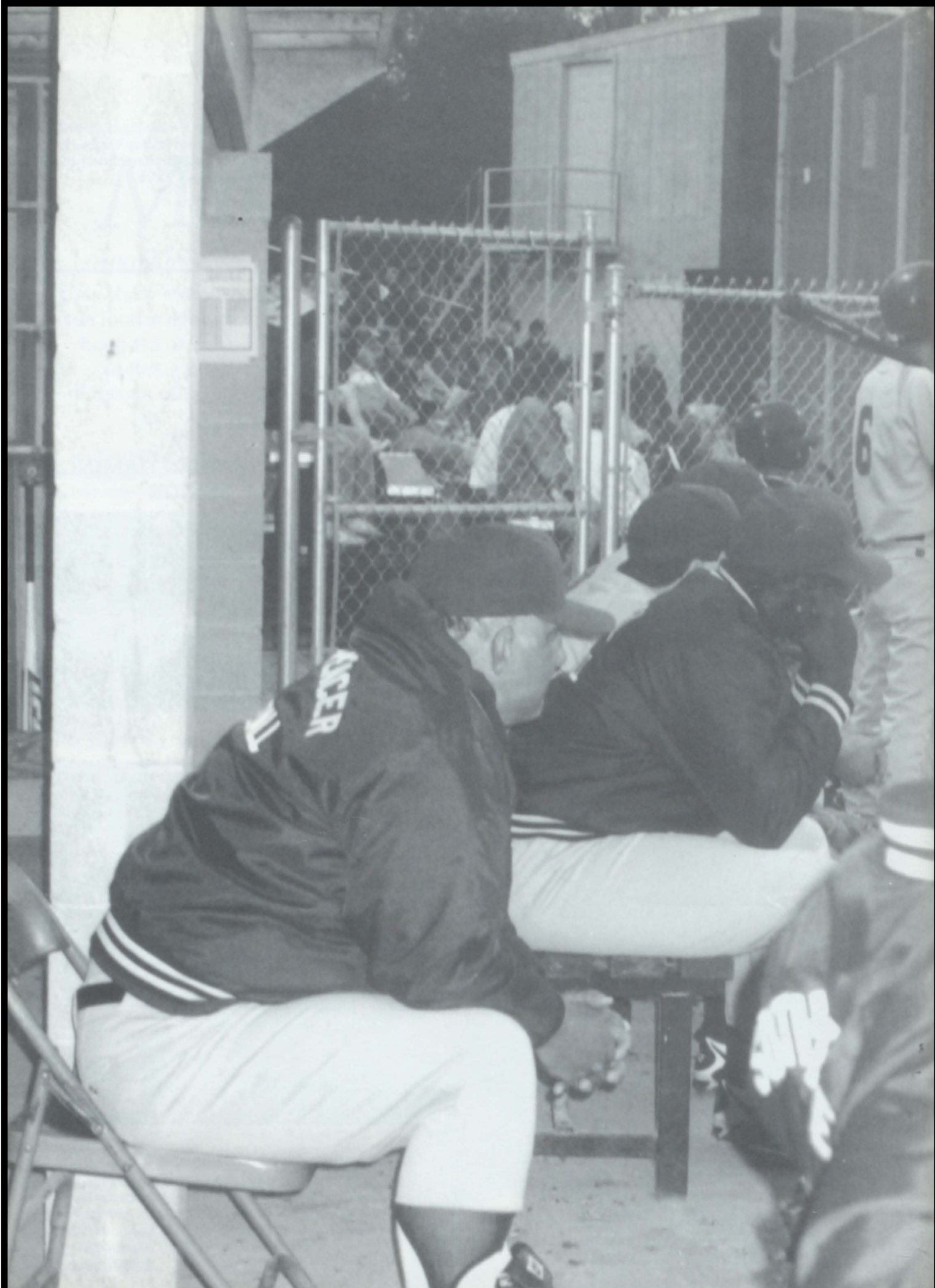
**CHERI DAMING,
SENIOR**



SOPHOMORES: FIRST ROW: Lori Wright, Becky Todd, Amy Perry, Paula Hemmer, Jessica Obermeier, Lori Wirthwein, Rachel Hoofer, SECOND ROW: Chris Keown, Jill Harris, Stephanie Beard, Amy Magill, Suzanna Wilson, Steven Hayslett, THIRD ROW: Allen Young, Michael Wilson, Tim Smith, Derek Coomer, FOURTH ROW: Eric Harpenau, Brad Ayer.



JUNIORS: FRONT ROW: Jennifer Mullican, Laura Richey, Alissa Lauer, Angela Wood, Lydia Inman, SECOND ROW: Samantha Bowers, Valarie Lashley, Mackenzie Ruark, Mandy Koester, Andrew Imlay, THIRD ROW: Jennifer Ward, Kristi Yearby, Jonathan Young, Jeff Bockelman, FOURTH ROW: Bobby Sarver, Adam Wandel, Brandon Hurley.



WHAT WILL WE GAIN IN ONE YEAR?

BEFORE THE GAME on *Senior Night*, Julie Hoss, Erika Driskell, Rebecca Fulks, Kimberly Small and Jennifer Garrett get pumped up and ready to lead their team.



1996

SPORTS

We took it one game at a time. Football players measured a year with yardage. Volleyball players kept track with aces. Golfers took it one hole at a time, and cross country runners ran their time down pretty quick. Tennis players measured a year match at a time and swimmers took it one lap at a time. Basketball players measured a year by the shots they took. Wrestlers took it one pin at a time, and tracksters sprinted out their year. Softball players measure a year by the hits that they get, and the baseball counted at each base, and the cheerleaders cheered all of these teams on through it all. Every team at SSHS has a different way to measure each year, and they all represented our school with pride and dignity.

1997

COACH JIM HAAFF watches a game from the dugout. Haaff has been coaching for thirty-three years. He has coached his team to four hundred and fifty-two victories, three hundred and three losses, ten PAC championships, and twelve sectional and four regional titles.

"We had a few games that we should have won, but in all it wasn't a bad season; we ended with a 5-5 record."

■ Scott Morgan

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|-----------------------|-------|
| Gibson Southern | 21-4 |
| Tecumseh | 6-14 |
| Pike Central | 83-14 |
| Southridge | 19-12 |
| Wood Memorial..... | 22-12 |
| Jasper | 3-7 |
| North Posey | 14-47 |
| Heritage Hills | 0-26 |
| Sectional | |
| Linton | 21-6 |
| North Posey | 0-35 |

THE FOOTBALL TEAM HAD ITS SHARE OF UPS AND DOWNS.

The season started with a win over Gibson Southern and was then followed by a loss to the Tecumseh Braves. The next three games proved victorious for the Rebs as they took on Pike Central, Southridge, and Wood Memorial.

The winning streak came to a halt with a loss to Jasper, but the Rebs bounced back the next week and defeated Wood Memorial. The regular season ended with a loss to county rival Heritage Hills.

In the first round of the sectional the Rebs defeated Linton, but the season ended the next week with a loss to North Posey. Coach Tim McIntosh said, "We gave up some big plays and turned the ball over too many times."

Seniors on the team were Nick Beckort, Adam Broeker, Chris Matthews, Zack Shelton, Kevin Thorpe, Jeff Wood, and captains Matt Wroe and Scott Morgan. Broeker, Thorpe and Wood were named All-Conference.

This was the smallest number of seniors, in recent years, to be on the team



GAINING YARDS: Adam Broeker ran the ball 17 yards on the kick off against the PAC rival Gibson Southern.

TIME OUT: Daniel Beshear, Keith Westfall, Kevin Thorpe, and Scott Morgan get an inspirational talk from Coach MacIntosh.

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL: FRONT ROW: Jared Grey, Jason Young, Drew Driskell, Neil Smith, Eric Lindauer, Brandon Yelland, Brock Symon, Zack Downs, Ryan Magill, MIDDLE ROW: Chris Harney, Ricky McCoy, Dennis Fueger, Eric Harpenau, Chris Crawford, Greg Evrard, Brandon Duvall, Jason Taylor,

Josh Adamic, Jon Kincaid, Luke Helms, BACK ROW: Kevin Hall, Isacc Wagner, Niki McCoy, Zach Tucker, Jonathan Schmit, Aaron Benton, Brandon Chapman, Steven Pickerill, Jacob Wilhelmus, J.W. Arnold, Zack Sublett, Jason Jessee.

CALL IT TEAM WORK!
Freshman Brandon Chapman
blocks, so senior Jeff Wood
can gain yards.



VARSITY FOOTBALL: FRONT ROW: Justin Fisher, Jeff Wood, Brad Ayer, Chris Matthews, Kevin Thorpe, Ryan Magill, Daniel Beshear, Tony Parsley, Nick Beckort, MIDDLE ROW: Josh

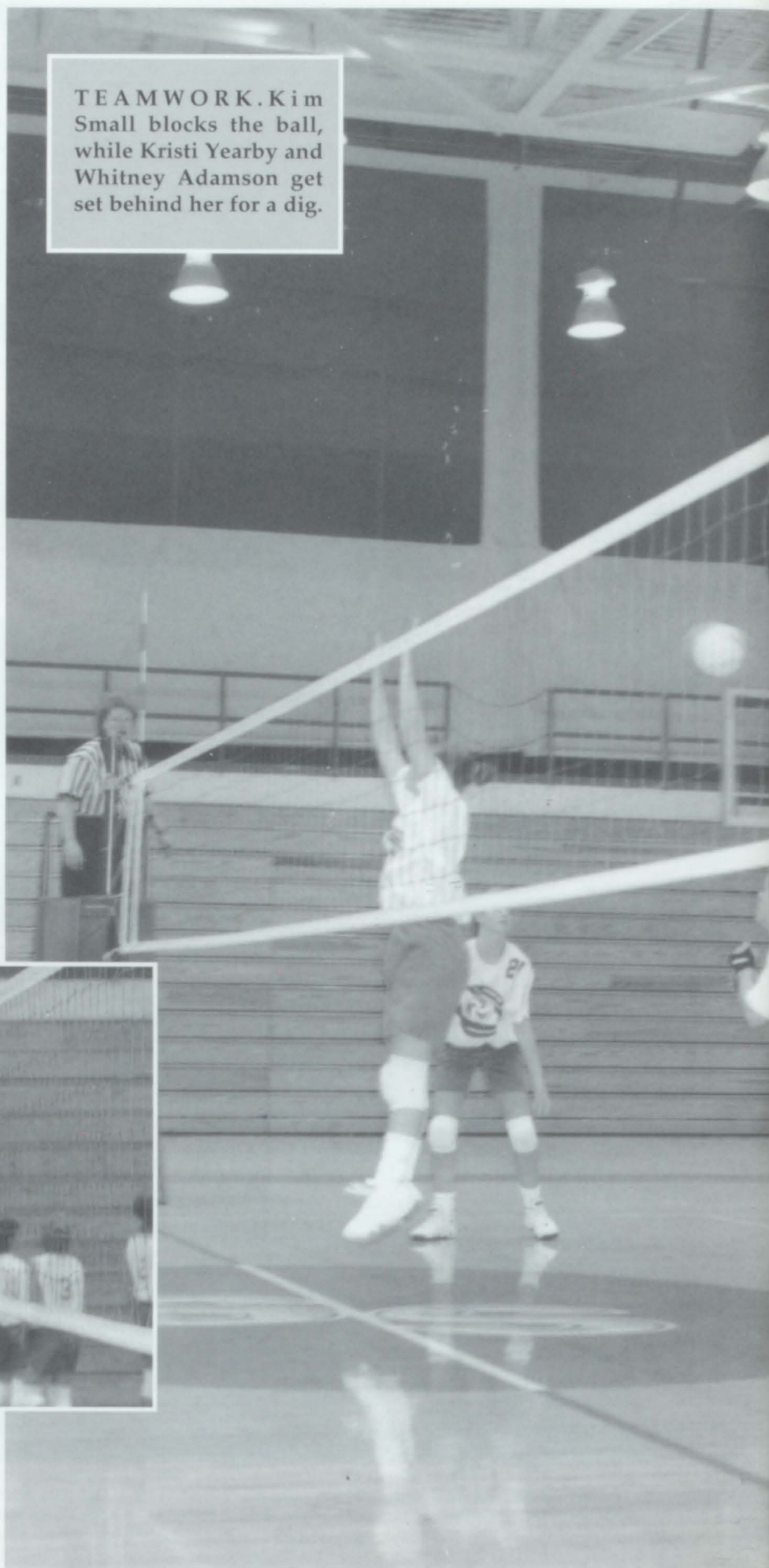
Henry, Dennis Fueger, Eric Harpenau, Chris Crawford, Adam Broecker, Adam Hall, Jason Taylor, Michael Boyd, Zach Shelton, Scott Morgan, BACK ROW: Isaac Stewart, Jon Schmidt,

Shawn Chapman, Jayson Heltzel, Clint Newton, Josh Pickerill, Andy Cross, Jason Pickerill, Brandon Phillips, Matt Wroe.

VOLLEYBALL

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Boonville | W |
| Boose | L |
| Harrison | W |
| Castle | L |
| Memorial Tourney..... | 3rd |
| Reitz | W |
| Tecumseh | L |
| North Posey | L |
| Pike Central | W |
| Wood Memorial | L |
| Tell City | L |
| Gibson Southern | L |
| O'boro Catholic | W |
| Southridge | L |
| Cannelton | W |
| O'boro Catholic | W |
| Heritage Hills Inv. | 4th |
| Perry Central | L |
| New Harmony | W |
| North | L |
| Sectional..... | L |

TEAMWORK. Kim Small blocks the ball, while Kristi Yearby and Whitney Adamson get set behind her for a dig.



LEADING SETTER. Julie Hoss, the leading setter for the Lady Rebels, with 577 good sets, sets up her teammates for a kill. Julie Hoss attributed much of her success to her fellow players. "My teammates gave me a lot of good ups to work with and I was just in the right place at the right time."

VOLLEYBALL TEAM has

record breaking season. The girls accomplished some of the goals that no other team in over a decade could. New team members and old came together, to bump, set, spike, and to play as a team.

After weeks of strenuous conditioning, it was finally time for practice to start. The season was finally here and expectations were high. Junior, Kristi Yearby said, "The season started off with a bang; we beat Boonville and Reitz; something we hadn't done for a long time." Senior, Allison Like said, "We played as a team and not as individuals; at this point in the season we were on cloud nine and nobody could bring us down."

The team played in two tournaments, the Memorial Tourney and the Heritage Hills Invitational. The girls played hard in both tourneys, but fell short of a win.

The Rebels were 1-6 in the PAC. Coach Wildeman said, "We did okay; we improved in many areas individually, but as a team we were not very consistent. Our program is improving every year and is at a higher level, but we still lack the desire and consistency to turn our record around from 8 and 17 to 17 and 8."

The team captains were Julie Hoss and Kim Small. Senior, Julie Hoss and sophomore Jill Harris were voted to the All-PAC Honorable Mention team and seniors Erika Driskell and Allison Like received the PAC Scholar Athlete Award. Kristi Yearby led the team with 90 kills; Julie Hoss led the team with 172 assists; Jill Harris led the team with 142 points and scored 20 blocks, Kim Small led the team with 27 Aces, and Whitney Adamson led the team with the best server percentage, 93.8.

"Dedication by the team had a great impact on our successes for the season. In all we broke 22 records this year."

■ALLISON LIKE



VOLLEYBALL TEAM :FRONT ROW: Coach Evie Wildeman , Julie Hoss, Erika Driskell, Kim Small, Allison Like, Assistant Coach Kim Oxley. SECOND ROW: Manager Sarah Gilley, Whitney Adamson, Kristi Yearby. THIRD ROW, Melissa Small, Jill Harris, Ashley Garrett, Meredith Ruark, Courtney Ludwig, BACK ROW: Michelle Thomas, Natasha Beckort, Joshelyn Calhoun, Jessica Butcher, Lindsey White



SENIOR PLAYERS: Julie Hoss, Erika Driskell, Kim Small, and Allison Like.



THE ASTRONAUT, as teammates call her, Jill Harris puts all her power into her serve. "It takes a lot of practice to become a really good server and I have to be in a zone to make it an ace," said the Astronaut.

SWING!!!! Nick Beckort practices his swing before the PAC meet. Beckort was the first golfer in school history to qualify for the state finals in golf. He did this by shooting a 75 in the regional meet.



CROSS COUNTRY: FRONT ROW: Melanie Brauns, Angela Wood, Valerie Lashley, Alisha Holonich. BACK ROW: Nick Sturgeon, Chris Morrison, Jason Davis, Jimmy Girten, Dustin Houck, Jonathan Freschly, Chris Wiseman.



GOLF: FRONT ROW: Eric Harpenau, Rob Houle, Ben Ayer, Aaron Benton, Greg Evrard, Eric Vogel, Iyan Sherwood. MIDDLE ROW: Chris Matthews, Adam Broeker, Bobby Sarver, Clint Wetherill, Nick Beckort, Nick Wood, Eric Lindauer. BACK ROW: Ryan Harris, Scott Morgan, J.W Arnold, Brock Symon, Greg Keith, Coach Steve Alstadt.

"I ACCOMPLISHED MANY OF THE GOALS I SET OUT TO REACH."

JIMMY GIRTEN

THE CROSS COUNTRY TEAM CONSISTED OF FIFTEEN RUNNERS and was coached by Mr. Cary Conner and assistant Mrs. Nancy McIntyre. The team started the season with summer conditioning. The runners came out two days a week for two months. Those involved in the summer conditioning ran a race in St. Louis.

Conner believes that the accomplishment of the team was greatly due to the leadership that was given by co-captains Valerie Lashley and Jimmy Girten. Valerie received the Most Valuable Runner, all conference, and regional qualifier. Jimmy was also Most Valuable Runner and regional qualifier.

At both of the home meets, Valerie and Jimmy placed first, making them undefeated on their home course. This year there was a new course because of the construction on the middle school.

THE GOLF TEAM WON THE P.A.C. CONFERENCE MEET. Nick Beckort led the way with a 79. Adam Broeker had an 81, Clint Wetherill an 82, and Chris Matthews an 88.

The team finished 3rd in the sectional, qualifying them for the regional for the third straight year. At the regional Nick Beckort fired a 75 to be the first golfer from South Spencer to qualify for the state met.

The golf team consisted of four hard working seniors, Chris Matthews, Adam Broeker, Clint Wetherill, and Nick Beckort. Coach Steve Alstadt said, "I was really proud of this senior bunch. They are a hard working group. They know what it takes win. They set a good example for the underclassmen."



RUN JIMMY RUN!

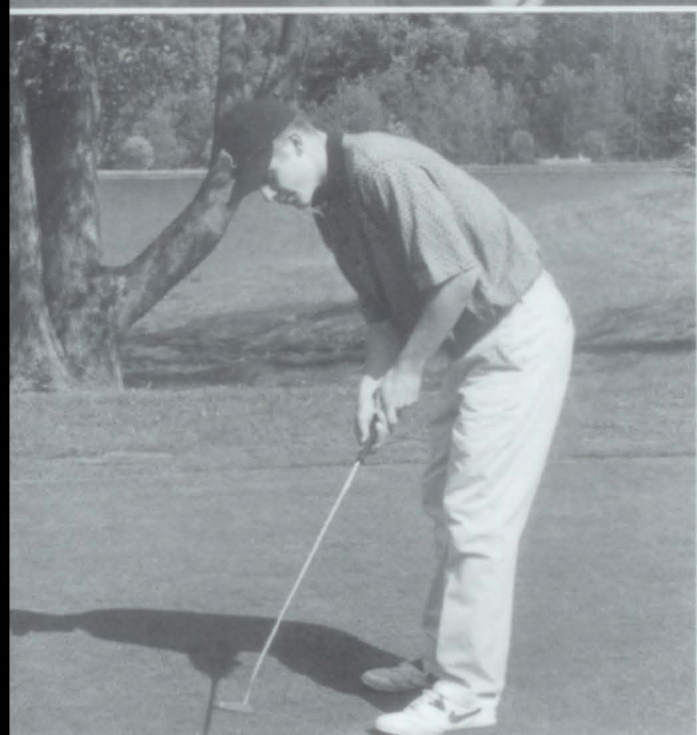
Jimmy Girtten's running ability earned him a scholarship to the University of Evansville.

CROSS COUNTRY

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|-------------------------|-----|
| Tecumseh..... | L |
| Gibson Southern Inv.... | 5th |
| Southridge..... | L |
| Harrison..... | L |
| Princeton..... | L |
| Tell City..... | L |
| Perry/Spencer Inv..... | 3rd |
| Cannelton/Tecumseh.... | L |
| Jasper..... | L |
| North Posey Inv..... | L |
| Pike Central Inv..... | L |
| Heritage Hills..... | L |
| PAC..... | L |
| Sectional..... | L |

GOLF

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Invitational..... | 5th |
| Gibson Southern..... | 2nd |
| Tell City..... | L |
| Southridge..... | W |
| Boonville..... | 2nd |
| Forest Park | W |
| Invitational..... | 13th |
| Pike Central..... | L |
| Heritage Hills..... | W |
| Wood Memorial..... | W |
| Southridge..... | W |
| Tecumseh..... | 2 of 3 |
| PAC..... | 1st |
| Sectional..... | 3 |



SINK THAT PUTT! Clint Wetherill, one of the four seniors on the golf team, puts the ball into the hole while warming up for a meet.

CO-CAPTAIN John Day follows through a fore-hand swing as he returns the ball to the opponent.

Boys' Tennis

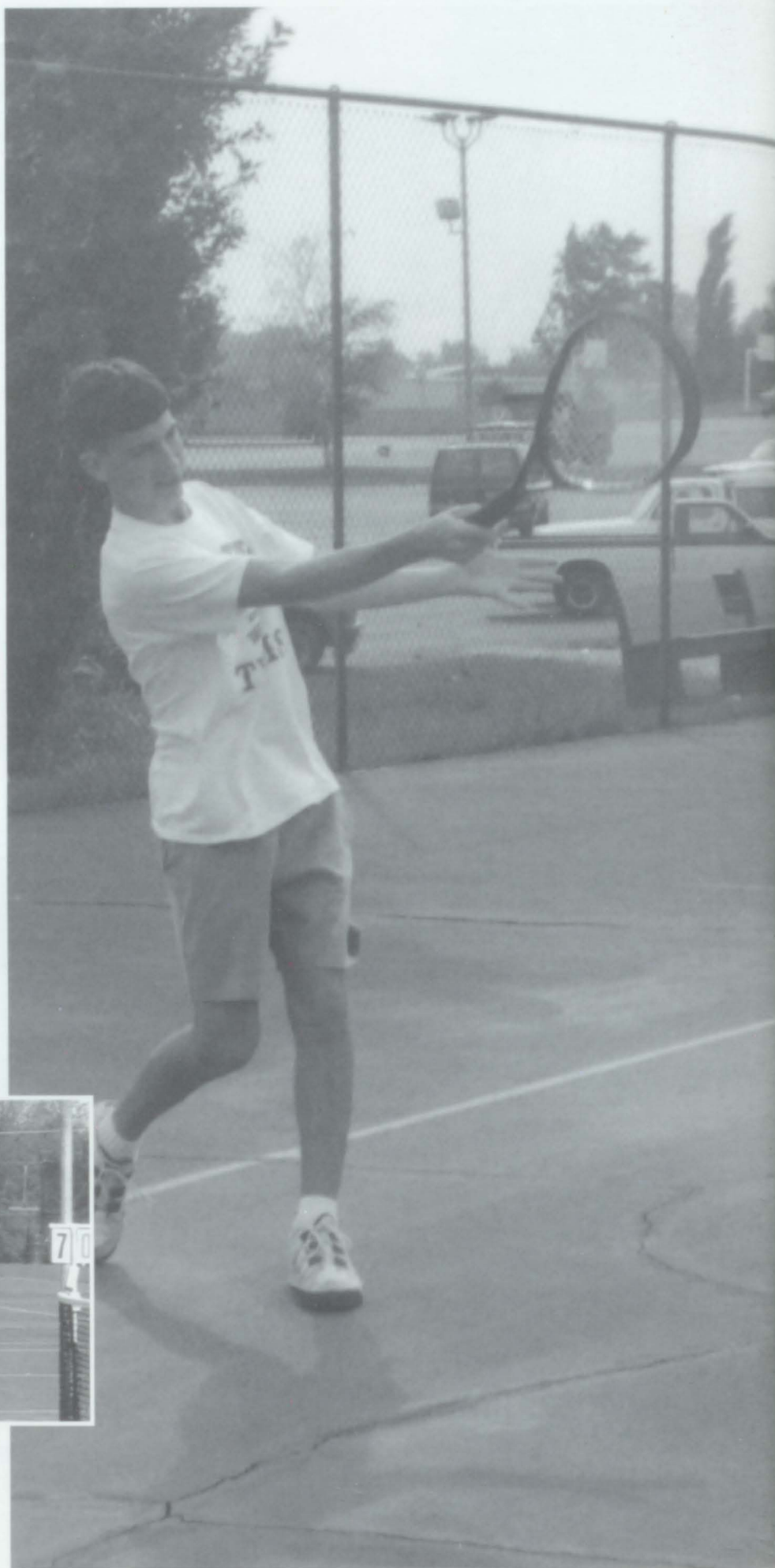
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| Tecumseh..... | W |
| Southridge..... | L |
| Harrison..... | L |
| Heritage Hills..... | L |
| Bosse..... | W |
| Pike Central..... | L |
| North Posey..... | L |
| Gibson Southern..... | W |
| Reitz..... | W |
| Wood Memorial..... | W |

Girls' Tennis

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Southridge..... | L |
| Evansville North..... | L |
| Tecumseh..... | L |
| North Posey..... | L |
| Gibson Southern..... | L |
| Wood Memorial..... | L |
| Heritage Hills..... | L |
| Reitz..... | L |
| Pike Central..... | L |
| PAC..... | 6th |
| Harrison..... | L |
| Sectional..... | |



JONI WADE, who plays first doubles, plays the net while waiting for a serve.



THE VARSITY TEAM FINISHED THE SEASON WITH A 5-5 RECORD AND COACH TODD STOERMER SAID, " I WOULD CALL THIS A GOOD SEASON." Three of the 16 players were seniors. There were only three returning varsity players, John Day, Holt Hedrick and Jeff Bockelman.

Meets consisted of five matches, with three singles players and two doubles teams competing. Holt Hedrick, John Day, and Jeff Bockelman were the singles players and Bobby Neighbors, Brian Payne, Matt Newkirk, and Allen Young made up the doubles teams. Holt Hedrick, one of two returning senior varsity players said, " playing tennis these last four years has been great. We came out my freshman year and just hoped to have fun, but in the last couple of years we've actually been winning as well, thanks to Coach Stoermer."

Holt Hedrick received Honorable Mention on the PAC All Conference team. John Day was awarded a place on the PAC All Conference team.

Girls' Tennis

Linda Bockelman coached the girls' squad. She was assisted by her son Jeff. Playing in the first singles position was Sara Hurm, second singles was Chelsea McIntyre, and third singles was Doris Schulte. Playing first doubles were Angela Wood and Joni Wade, playing second doubles were Valarie Bryant and Amy Magill.

Coach Bockelman had high praise for team captain Sara Hurm, who helped with many responsibilities of managing the team. One of the season's highlights came at Tecumseh, when Chelsea McIntyre played a three hour match, and then won 6-4, 6-7, and 6-3. Another highlight was when Doris Schulte defeated Chrissy Turnth from Tecumseh.

"I like tennis because of the challenge," Joni Wade



BOYS' TENNIS: FRONT ROW: Nick Wood, Nick Bowlds, Aaron Brandenberger, John Day; MIDDLE ROW: Brian Payne, Eric Vogel, Brandon Hurley, Chris Keown, Allen Young; BACK ROW: Matthew Newkirk, Jeff Bockelman, Justin Robinson, Bobby Neighbors, Holt Hedrick, Justin Rainwater.



GIRLS' TENNIS: FRONT ROW: Chelsea McIntyre, Angela Wood, Joni Wade, Sara Hurm, Doris Schulte Valarie Bryant, Sheri Youngblood; BACK ROW Abby Richardson, Nicole Schulte, Andrea Mickus, Jennifer Koester, Lydia Inman, Sarah Monnier, Paula Hemmer, Mary Houston, Becky Todd, Amy Magill.



SENIOR Sara Hurm, who plays first team singles serves the ball.

WARMING UP! The only diver on the swim team, sophomore, Sarah Wilhelmus, warms up before the big dive.



FRONT ROW: Allen Dooley. MIDDLE ROW: Chris Harney, Jessica Obermeir, Jessica Jagor, Andy Wells. THIRD ROW: Jennifer Mulligan, Eva Mulligan, Lori White, Becky Todd, Jessica Butcher, Sarah Wilhelmus, Erica Smith, Valarie Bryant. NOT PICTURED: Coach Rick Mayne



PRACTICE! PRACTICE! PRACTICE! Sophomore Becky Todd, practices her backstroke form to prepare for competition

The Rebel swim teams' final records for the season do not reflect the hard work and effort the teams put forth. A record of no wins leaves room for improvement. However, there were difficult obstacles for the Rebels to overcome throughout the season.

For the first time in our school's history the boys' and girls' teams combined their seasons, as the girls moved from a fall sport to a winter sport. Some good did come out of the new team format. The swimmers practiced for meets together, giving some of the swimmers more of a challenge and pushing them to do better.

The Lady Rebels began their season with 18 members and were left with just 9 swimmers at the end of the season.

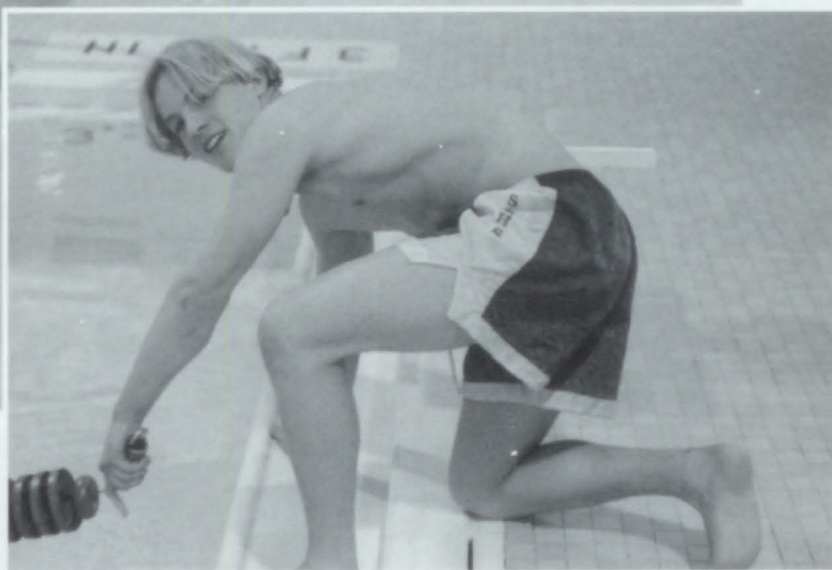
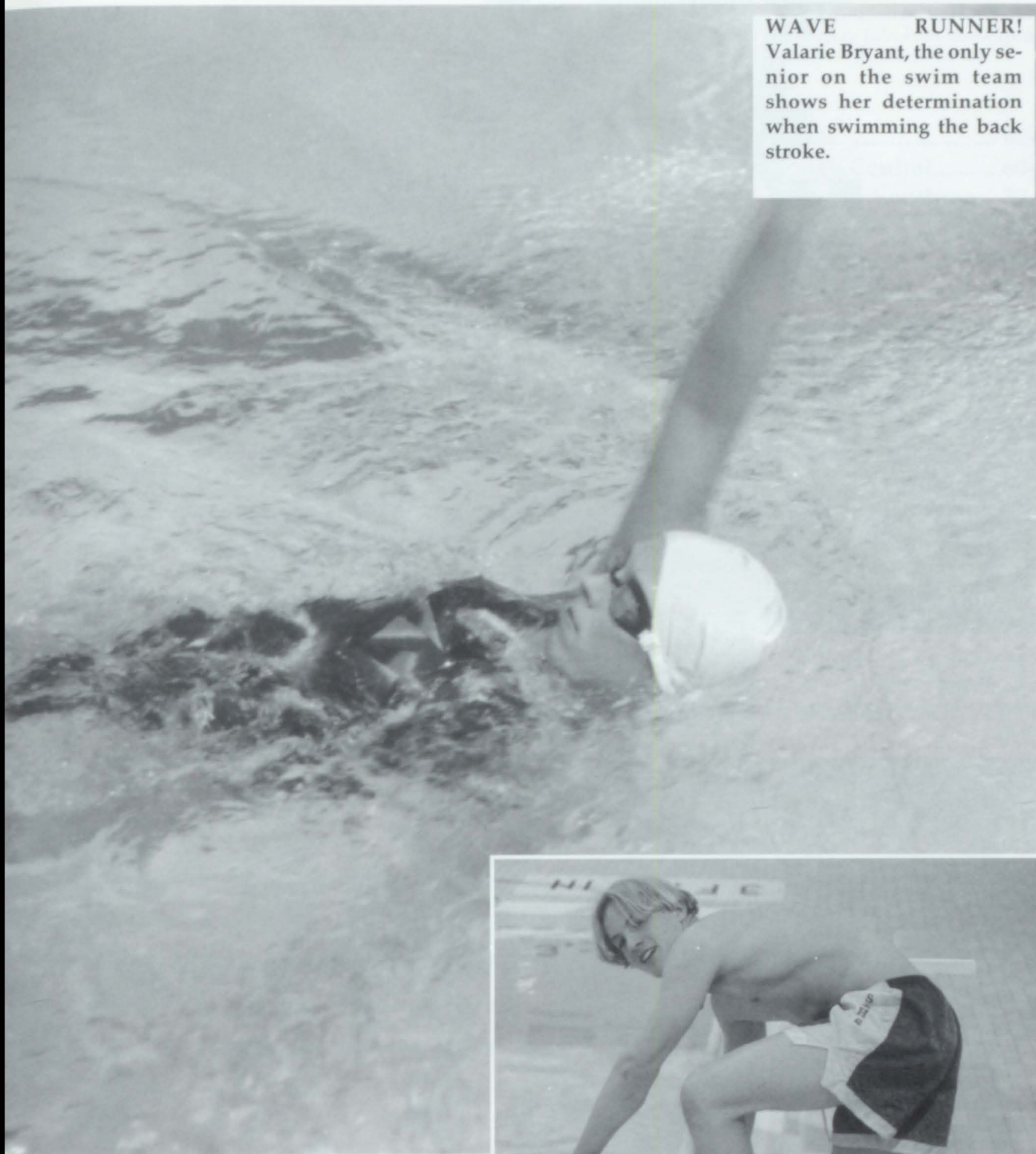
Captain Valarie Bryant was the only senior swimmer at the end of the season. Other members of the girls' swim team were: junior, Jennifer Mulligan; sophomores, Lisa Brown, Lori Wright, Erica Smith, and Becky Todd; and freshmen, Eva Mulligan and Jessica Butcher.

By Allison Like

"The members of the team showed dedication and motivation and it was a lot of fun to swim with them."

■ Valarie Bryant

WAVE RUNNER!
Valarie Bryant, the only senior on the swim team shows her determination when swimming the back stroke.



STAYING BETWEEN THE LINES. Freshman Chris Harney hooks down the lane dividers before a meet.

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| Boonville | 21-1 |
| Tecumseh | 45-0 |
| Tell City | 67-8 |
| North Posey | 9-0 |
| Boonville | 21-1 |
| Tecumseh | 45-0 |
| Tell City | 67-8 |
| North Posey | 9-0 |
| Boonville | 21-1 |

SENIOR, Kim Small has perfect form as she follows through her jump shot.



LADY REBELS START NEW SEASON

with five returning lettermen and two new coaches.

Coaching the Lady Rebels for the first time was Wayne Boultinghouse. He said, "Watching the girls become more competitive and improve as a team was a refreshing and rewarding experience."

One of the returning lettermen Jennifer Garrett said, "Having to learn a whole new style of play your senior year isn't the easiest thing to do, but Coach made it fun and exciting for all the girls, especially the seniors."

The team finished the regular season with nine wins and nine losses. Two of those losses came in overtime games and another one came by just one point to county rival Heritage Hills. In post season play the Lady Rebels defeated Cannelton in the opening round of the sectional. They then fell victims to the Pioneers of Boonville, losing by just three points.

Two team records were broken. A new free throw percentage of 66.4% was established. Also, a new record for points per game in a season was established at 53.4 points. Two girls received post season honors. Sophomore, Jill Harris was chosen first team All Conference and Senior Erika Driskell was chosen second team All Conference. --By Jennifer Garrett and Jennifer Langdon



VARSITY: FRONT ROW: Sarah Gilley, Erika Driskell, Julie Hoss, Rebecca Fulks, BACK ROW: Coach Mike Schroeder, Kim Small, Jill Harris, Jennifer Garrett, Coach Kim Oxley, Coach Wayne Boultinghouse.



JUNIOR VARSITY: FRONT ROW: Sarah Wilhelmus, Wendy Thorpe, Meredith Ruark, Amanda Turner, Jennifer Deweese, BACK ROW: Joshalyn Calhoun, Mechelle Thomas, Emily Steinkamp, Casey Brashier, Makenzie Schmidt.

"Our season was hard, but we kept each other going"

■ Julie Hoss

SENIORS: FRONT ROW: Guards, Julie Hoss, Erika Driskell, Rebecca Fulks. BACK ROW: Forward Jennifer Garrett, Kim Small.



SENIOR Jennifer Garrett looks for teammate Julie Hoss as she spots up for a shot against Boonville.

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| Reitz | 62-46 |
| Perry Central..... | 60-48 |
| Gibson Southren... | 37-59 |
| Princeton..... | 61-62 |
| Harrison..... | 52-57 |
| Wood Memorial.... | 47-42 |
| Ev. Central..... | 54-48 |
| Pike Central | 56-45 |
| Tecumseh..... | 54-25 |
| Castle..... | 80-75 |
| Southridge..... | 61-51 |
| Boonville | 60-43 |
| Heritage Hills | 19-50 |
| North | 58-69 |
| O'boro Catholic.... | 64-49 |
| Tell City..... | 57-54 |
| North Posey..... | 47-54 |
| Mater Dei | 51-55 |

Sectionals

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| Cannelton..... | 49-31 |
| Boonville..... | 43-60 |

SENIOR, Rebecca Fulks looks over the court to find a teammate to pass to.



ERIKA DRISKELL'S ability to look inside helped her to break the school record for most assists in one game, with 12.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

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| Boonville | 53-63 |
| Harrison | 72-80 |
| North Posey | 57-70 |
| Tecumseh | 57-42 |
| Gibson Southren ... | 56-63 |
| Mt. Vernon | 80-59 |
| Perry Central | 51-68 |
| Cannelton | 60-56 |
| Vincennes | 55-81 |
| Heritage Hills..... | 59-72 |
| Forest Park | 49-63 |
| Tell City .. | 55-58 |
| Princeton..... | 65-49 |
| Ev. Central | 74-71 |
| Pike Central | 40-72 |
| Castle | 66-68 |
| Reitz | 58-85 |
| Wood Memorial..... | 62-43 |
| Ev. Memorial | 62-43 |
| Southridge | 46-70 |

Sectionals

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|---------------------|-------|
| Princeton..... | 67-59 |
| Heritage Hills..... | 46-59 |

THE ONLY SENIOR on the basketball team, John Eaton shoots a bank shot at the game against North Posey.



JUNIOR, Allen Young pauses as the referees make a call.

VARSITY: FRONT ROW: Josh Henry, Demetris Kelley, Jaosn Blair, Justin Fisher, Brad Ayer, Jon Eaton, Bobby Sarver, Ryan Magill, **BACK ROW:** Coach Roger Guth, Coach Todd Stoermer, Allen Young, Jacob Wilhelmus, Chris Snyder, Jeff Bockelman, Asst. Coach Steve Alstadt, Asst. Bret Schulte, Manager Phillip Abshier.



For the first time in ten years,

the boys' basketball team lost more games than it won. On the positive side, however, the Rebels had a very young team, and will return eleven of twelve varsity players next season. All five sectional starters return, including leading scorers Brad Ayer (20.7 ppg.) and Justin Fischer (17.1 ppg.). Bob Sarver, who led the team in rebounding and free throw percentage (.843) also returns.

Coach Roger Guth was proud of the 1997 Rebels. "The kids worked hard all year and showed great improvement as the season progressed," said Guth.

Guth gave special credit to his graduating player. "I'm especially proud of our one senior, Jon Eaton, and would like to thank him for his effort and great attitude this season."

Highlights for the season were the come-from-behind win over Evansville Central in overtime, the huge win over Evansville Memorial, and the sectional win over Princeton.

Next year, with a more experienced team, and the beginning of class basketball, Rebel fans should expect a very exciting and successful basketball season.

By Melanie Brauns



TIME UNDER THE HOOP can be rough, but at least it's not every man for himself. One of the best things about the team this year was the way they pulled together through thick and thin and worked as a team.



J.V. FRONT ROW: Eric Harpenau, Demetris Kelley, Allen Young, Ryan Magill, Tony Parsley, Justin Rainwater, **BACK ROW:** Coach Todd Stoemer, Kris Snyder, Marcus McCormick, Jacob Wilhelmus, Jon Kincaid, Keith Shrode, Rob Houle, Manager Jon Freshchly.



FRESHMAN: FRONT ROW: Brandon Yelland, Robbie Thompson, Greg Evrard, Shawn Hagerty, Eric Lindauer, Chris Valentine, **BACK ROW:** Drew Driskell, Brandon Duvall, Gregory Keith, Clayton Bunner, Jeffrey Haines, Brock Symon, Nicklaus Wood, Coach Bret Schulte.



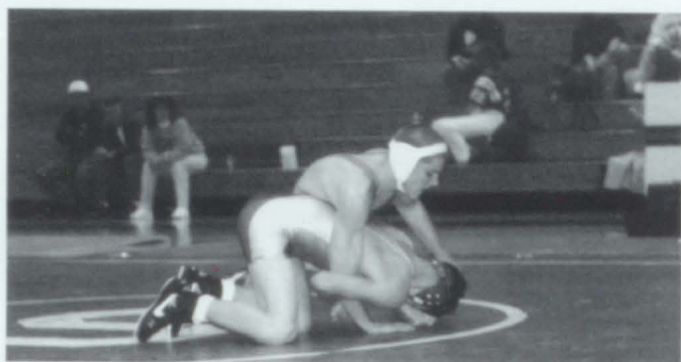
AS A sophomore Brad Ayer has had to step up and help fill the shoes of the six seniors that graduated last year. "He stepped up to the challenge and led the team averaging 20.7 a game," said Coach Guth.

"This year we had a very young team and yet we were competitive in every game. With a year of experience, next year we will get back to South Spencer's winning tradition."

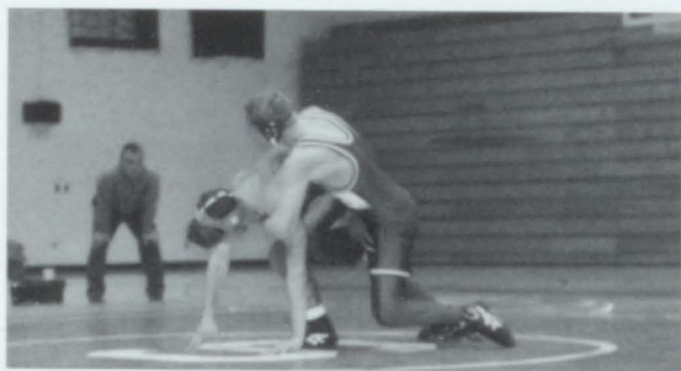
Justin Fisher

"We improved a lot over the season. The team this year was very spirited, and helped keep each other pumped up for the matches."

■ Jimmy Girten



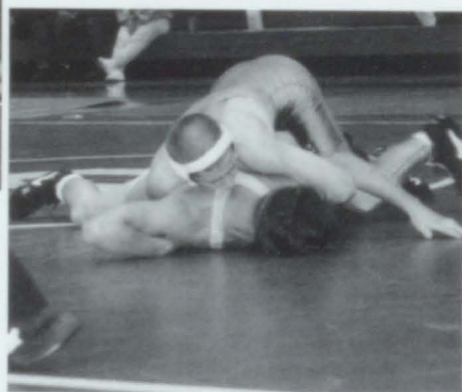
FRESHMAN, Neil Smith works on flipping his opponent over for a pin.



JUNIOR Adam Hall fights his way up to a victory against PAC rival Wood Memorial



SOPHOMORE, Jonathan Schmitt practices his moves before a meet.



JUNIOR, Jeff Mongold tries to flip the Wood Memorial wrestler over for a pin.

The wrestling team finished the season with sixteen wins and nineteen losses. This is the best record of a wrestling team in the school's history. Several people started the season, but by the end of the year only one senior, four juniors, four sophomores, and seven freshman were left on the team.

The only senior, Jimmy Girten was cross-faced midway during the season; during the Sullivan Invitational Girten had broken his nose, but he had to wait until the end of the season to have it set. Girten placed third at the sectionals and was an alternate to regionals.

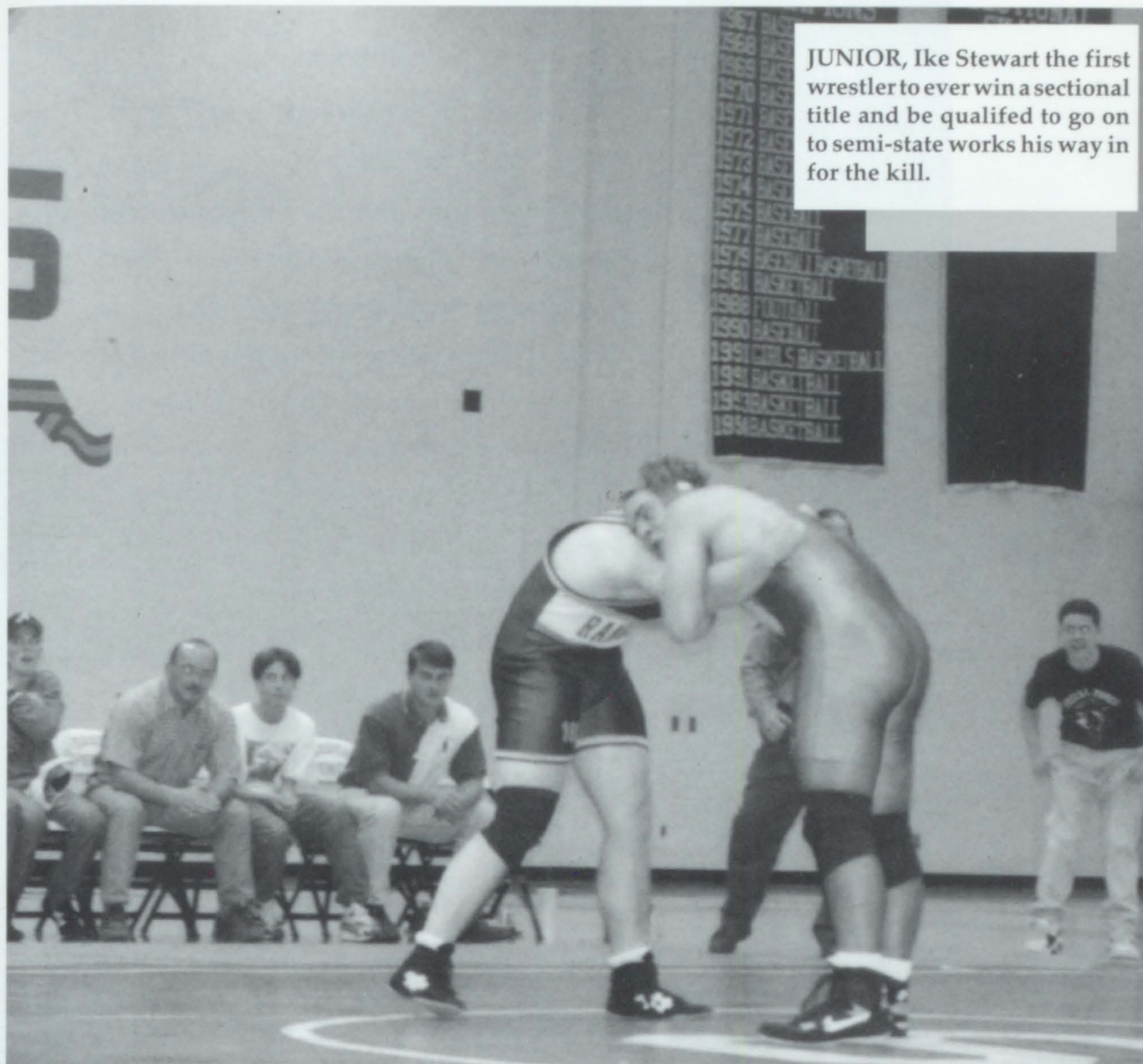
The junior wrestlers really impacted the team. Ike Stewart finished first in the sectionals, second in the regional and was the first wrestler in the school's history to advance to semi-state. Ike claims that wrestling is his favorite sport, "It is an individual sport. I don't have to rely on anyone else; if I lose, it's my fault."

Adam Hall placed third in the sectional and Andy Cross and Jeff Mongold placed fourth.

Sophomores Jon Schmidt, Nick Sturgeon and Chris Morrison placed fourth in the sectional. The freshmen were real contributors to the team's overall success.

By Reba Wilson

JUNIOR, Ike Stewart the first wrestler to ever win a sectional title and be qualified to go on to semi-state works his way in for the kill.



FRONT ROW: Coach Tom Packer, Niki McCoy, Adam Hall, Nick Sturgeon, Jimmy Girten, Chris Valentine, Neal Smith, Matt North, Coach Jim North. BACK ROW: Manager Megan Helms, Manager

Lydia Inman, Luke Helms, Ricky McCoy, Ike Stewart, Jason Pickerill, Jeff Mongold, Andy Cross, Jonathan Schmidt, Zack Downs, Manager Alisha Holonich, Coach Aaron Wilson, Manager Lori Wirthwein

DISTANCE RUNNER VALERIE LASHLEY sets the school record in the two mile at a time of 13:13.



HOLDS THE TITLE: Jacob Wilhelmus placed the longest throw in the Freshman/sophomore PAC and in the Pike Central Relays. His longest throw was 140'6"

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GIRLS' TRACK

THE GIRLS' TRACK SEASON STARTED OFF ON THE RIGHT FOOT. Many of the school records were broken. Then the girls rebroke their own records. In the first meet of the season, Valerie Lashley broke the record in the two mile with a time of 13:10. Then Whitney Adamson broke the discus record throwing 101 feet 2 inches, at the Pike Central Relays. At the PAC meet, Valerie placed fourth in the mile and second in the two mile, and broke her own school record running it in 12:42. Whitney Adamson placed second in shotput and third in the discus, Amanda Lathery placed sixth in the 200m and fourth in the 100m, and the relay team consisting of Whitney Adamson, Kaci Brachier, Amie Perry and Valerie Lashley placed sixth. Only two members of the girls' track team placed well enough in the sectional to go on to regional. They were Valerie Lashley, in the two mile and the one mile and Amanda Lathery in the 100m.

BOYS' TRACK

Highlights of the boys' track season included Jimmy Tooley winning the PAC high jump title for the second time. He also placed third in the sectional meet.

Returning state contender, junior, Jason Blair had a shoulder injury that kept him from competing in all the meets. However, he was able to compete in the sectional, which he won. Blair was also a member of the 400M Relay team that won the sectional title and set the school record of 44.39. Other members of the relay team were Justin Fischer, Ryan Magill and Dan Beshear.

Freshman Jacob Wilhelmus won the freshman/sophomore PAC and the Pike Central relays in the discus competition. His longest throw was 140'6".

Whitney Adamson
placed 2nd in the
shot put in the PAC



PRACTICING THE HAND-OFF: Aimee Perry, Melissa Small and Amanda Lathery practice the various skills they will use in a track meet.

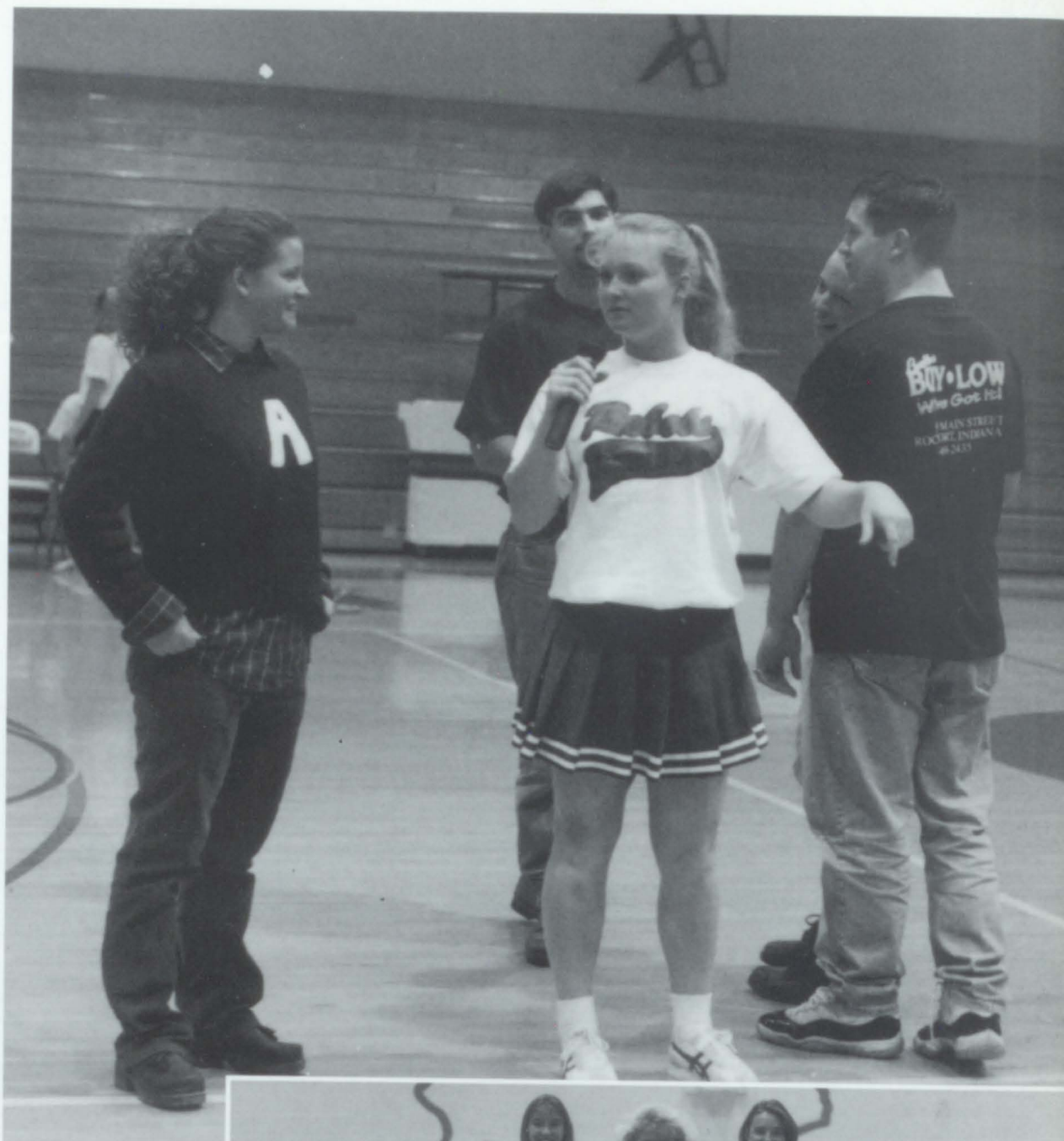
CLEARs ANOTHER ONE: Melissa Small scales another hurdle at track practice.

Boys' Track

North.....L
Castle/H. Hills.....L
Frosh Soph.4 of 6
Boonville.....L
Perry Central.....3rd
Dubios/H. Hills.....L
Southridge.....L
Fresh/Soph PAC 5 of 8
Pike Central Relays...L
PAC5 of 8
Tecumseh.....L
Sectional

Girls' Track

Castle/Bosse.....L
North.....L
Perry Central.....L
Invitational.....L
Boonville.....L
Tecumseh/N. Posey. 2
Invitational.....L
Southridge/Pike.....L
PAC.....7 of 8
Sectional.....L



CAPTAIN of the cheerleading squad Erika Driskell, explains one of the games at a pep session.

VARSITY : FRONT ROW: Erika Driskell, Kristi Yearby. MIDDLE ROW: Carrie Parsley, Jamie Young, Mackenzie Ruark. BACK ROW: Abby Richardson, Laura Wood.



Most people don't see the time and dedication that goes into cheerleading. Besides having to fight for gym time, the girls have to find the time and a place to make all the signs that line the hallways promoting school spirit. They have to organize the pep rallies and keep the crowd excited at all games, home and away. It's not an easy job, but they all have the determination to do it.

Tryouts for cheerleaders occurred last April to see who would be on the squad for this year. During the summer, the girls raised money by selling concessions at the softball and baseball games. Another event that kept the girls busy in the

"I like being a cheerleader, because I like to support my fellow athletes."

■ MACKENZIE RUARK

summer was cheer camp at Depauw University in Greencastle Indiana. It was the second year in a row that the girls traveled to Depauw for camp. The cheerleaders also hosted a camp of their own for younger girls as a fund-raiser in early August.

When school started in August the girls were putting in 10 to 20 hours a week in decorating, organizing, and practicing. There was very little time for rest. The person who first said that cheerleading is not a sport has obviously never seen our squads in action.

JUNIOR, Jamie Young gets the crowd going during the first round of the boys' sectional against Princeton.



"GO REBELS!!!!" Yells junior Kristi Yearby at the Boonville Sectional



J.V. FRONT ROW: Linsey Daniel. MIDDLE ROW: Wendy Thorpe, Jasmine Edwards. BACK ROW: Angela Wood, Sarah Wilhelmus.



FRESHMAN: FRONT ROW: Makenzie Schmidt. MIDDLE ROW: Natasha Beckort, Lindsey White. BACK ROW: Katie McCarty, Jessica Butcher, Nicole Schulte.

RUN MARRUN! Senior Tomarra Taylor runs in home scoring the first run for the Lady Rebels during the PAC championship game

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|----------------------|------|
| North Posey..... | 10-4 |
| Tecumseh..... | 11-0 |
| Bosse..... | 8-0 |
| Boonville..... | 2-10 |
| Memorial..... | 1-3 |
| Southern Slam Inv. | |
| Tecmuseh..... | 2-1 |
| Harrison..... | 2-5 |
| Wood Memorial..... | 7-0 |
| Reitz..... | 0-3 |
| Gibson Southern..... | 1-3 |
| Jasper..... | 10-0 |
| Princeton..... | 3-2 |
| Southridge..... | 11-1 |
| Pike Central..... | 1-0 |
| Memorial..... | 6-5 |
| Mater Dei..... | 0-4 |
| Castle..... | 2-4 |
| Heritage Hills..... | 3-1 |
| Shakamak..... | 7-0 |
| Tell City..... | 7-0 |
| Wood Memorial..... | 8-1 |
| Harrison..... | 0-3 |
| Sectional | |
| Tecumseh..... | 3-1 |
| Heritage Hill | 4-0 |
| Boonville..... | 1-3 |

IT'S COMING DOWN!
Senior catcher, Jennifer Garrett watches the ball into her mitt while preparing the to throw the ball down to second.



THE LADY REBEL SOFTBALL TEAM STARTED ITS SEASON OFF WITH WINS against PAC opponents North Posey and Tecumseh. The girls then lost to their biggest rival Boonville.

At the Southern Slam, a tourney hosted by South Spencer and Boonville, the Lady Rebels placed third. They beat Tecumseh, and Wood Memorial, but fell short against Memorial and Harrison.

The PAC was another story for the Lady Rebels. They ended up 7-1. They were beaten by Gibson Southern, with whom they share the title. They wrapped up their regular season with wins against Heritage Hills, Shakamak, Tell City, and Wood Memorial. The girls ended up with a 15-9 record.

"We had a good nucleus of girls with lots of experience. We had eight seniors and some of the best pitching with Erika Driskell, Jill Harris, and Julie Hoss. We had a better season than our record indicated. I was very proud of the girls. They had the dedication, the heart and the hunger to win that I've been waiting for these last three years," said Coach Ed Harper.



DOWN TO THE CRUNCH: Outfielder Allison Like looks on nervously as the game against Heritage Hills comes to a close, giving the Lady Rebels a share in the PAC title.

IN HER ZONE!! Senior first baseman Rebecca Fulks warms up.



SOFTBALL:FRONT ROW: Natasha Beckort, Jessica Butcher, Allison Like, Rebecca Fulks, Wendy Thorp, Lindsey White, MIDDLE ROW: Sarah Wilhelmus, Meredith Ruark, Erika Driskell, Julie Hoss, Jennifer Deweese, Kari Lillpop, Samantha Embry, Aleisha Duncan, BACK ROW: Asst. Coach Tara Goldman, Joshelyn Calhoun, Sarah Gilley, Jill Harris, Emily Steinkamp, Kristi Yearby, Kendra Gibson, Michelle Thomas, Makenzie Schmidt, and Coach Ed Harper



SOFTBALL PLAYERS Ashley Garrett, Jennifer Garrett, Missy Garrett, and Tomarra Taylor get ready to board the team bus.

"Our season was full of excitement, and heartache. I'll never forget the determination of this team and the way we finally pulled together and won PAC."

■ **MISSY GARRETT**

FIRST BASEMAN Matt Wroe is ready and awaiting the throw from the pitcher to pick off the runner at first.



VARSTIY: FRONT ROW: Coach Jim Haff, Jeff Wood, Jon Young, Dennis Fueger, Kevin Thorpe, Asst. Coach Bruce Greene, MIDDLE ROW: Allen Young, Michael Boyd, Holt Hedrick, Bobby Hagerty, Daniel Beshear, Zach Shelton, BACK ROW: Tony Parsley, Justin Fisher, Matt Wroe, Justin Robinson, Brad Ayer, Arain Johnson, Kam Cron, Asst. Coach Brain Kuester.



JUNIOR VARSITY: FRONT ROW : Matt North, Shawn Hagerty, MIDDLE ROW: Demetris Kelly, Chris Harney, Drew Driskell, Brandon Duvall, Kevin Hall, Zack Downs, BACK ROW: Chris Bartlett, Clayton Bunner, Luke Helms, Brandon Chapman, Jacob Wilhelmus, Kris Snyder, Zack Sublett, Coach Bruce Greene.

"I think that the program will miss Coach Haaff. I'm glad that I got to play ball under such a great leader and coach."

■ Zack Shelton

THE BASEBALL TEAM HAD ITS UPS AND DOWNS; They started off the season with a 10-4 win over North Daviess. Then were defeated 16-7 by 18th ranked Vincennes.

Assistant Coach Brain Kuester said, "The boys made a big improvement over the course of the year. They never gave up and that is something the coaching staff was really proud of."

The baseball team finished 2-5 on the PAC, winning to Tecumseh and Southridge.

There were seven seniors on the team. They were catcher Kam Cron, pitcher/third basemen Kevin Thorpe, first basemen Matt Wroe, the designated hitter Zach Shelton, second basemen Holt Hedrick, outfielder Bobby Hagerty, and Jeff Wood who didn't know where he was going to play until he got to the field the day of the game. The rest of the team consisted of juniors Justin Robinson, Tony Parsley, Justin Fisher, Allen Young, Daniel Beshear, and Jon Young. The sophomores on the team were Eric Harpenau, Brad Ayer, Michael Boyd, and Arain Johnson.

Despite all of the problems that the team had this year, Coach Haaff was really proud of the accomplishments the boys made. Coach Haaff said, "I will miss coaching them next year. They made my last year of coaching a year to remember."

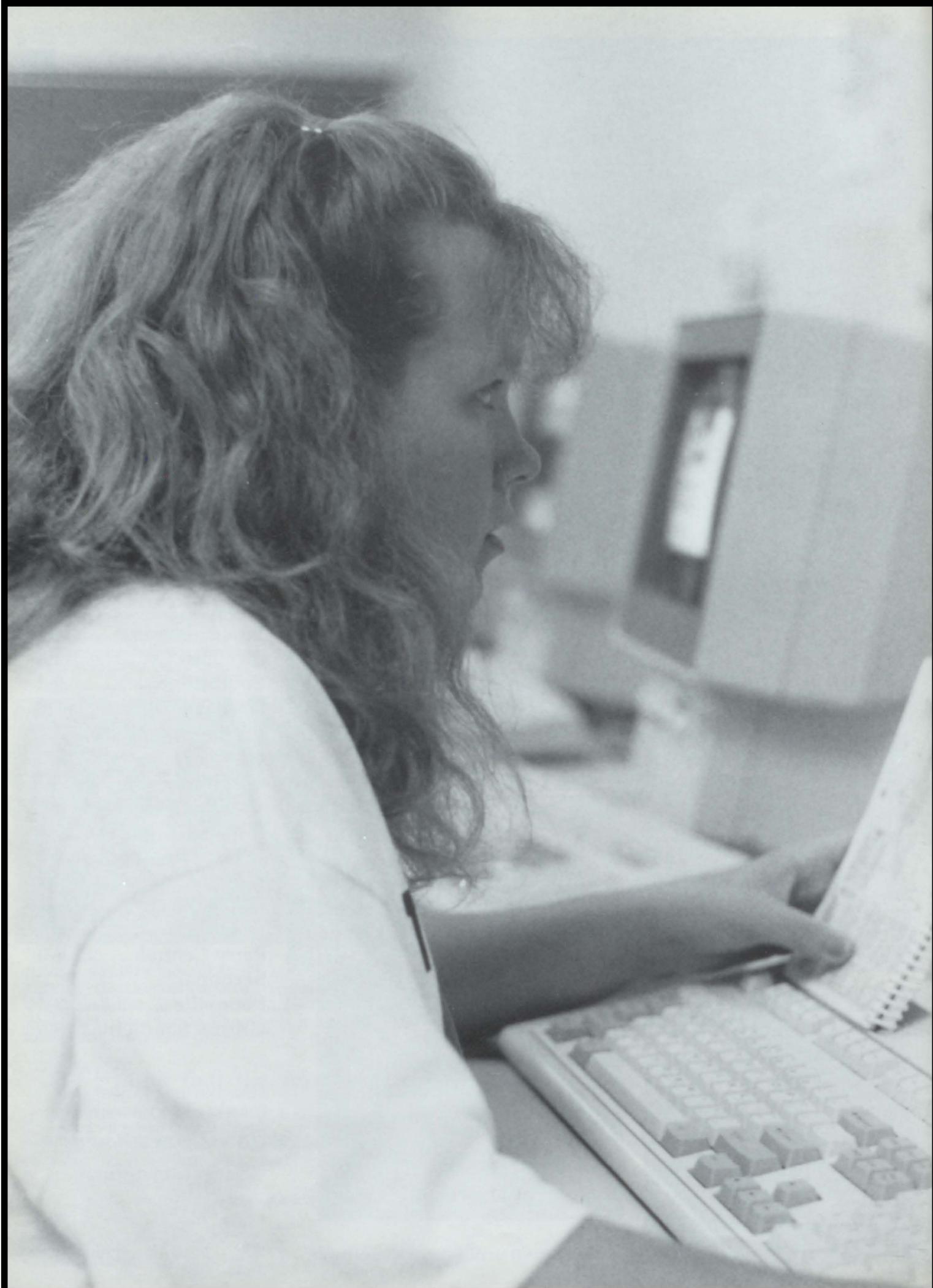
HE'SSAFE! Kevin Thorpe, who is a pitcher and a third basemen slides into second base.



ON THE MOUND for the Rebels is Michael Boyd.

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| North Daviess..... | 10-4 |
| Vincennes..... | 7-16 |
| North Posey..... | 3-8 |
| Castle..... | 5-16 |
| Boonville..... | 8-6 |
| Gibson Southern..... | 0-10 |
| Tell City..... | 2-6 |
| Tecumseh..... | 11-8 |
| OHS..... | 2-12 |
| Wood Memorial..... | 11-19 |
| McClean Co..... | 11-1 |
| Southridge..... | 9-1 |
| Heritage Hills..... | 0-10 |
| Princeton..... | 7-2 |
| Grayville..... | 7-2 |
| Owensboro Catholic.. | 5-1 |
| Bosse..... | 6-7 |
| Hancock County..... | 6-5 |
| North..... | 4-6 |
| Pike Central..... | 5-4 |
| Jasper..... | 13-1 |
| Harrison..... | 4-5 |
| Perry Central..... | 6-0 |
| Sectional | |
| Boonville..... | 2-1 |
| Gibson Southern..... | 5-6 |

RUNNING HIM DOWN! Holt Hedrick, second baseman, runs down a Cougar during the game against McClean County.



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ALTHOUGH IT WAS JENNIFER Langdon's first year of designing ads for yearbook, she has designed ads for newspaper for nearly two years.



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1997

FIRST YEAR MEMBER of the staff, Beth Langdon, was responsible for designing about half of the following ads. Although this can often be a very frustrating job she feels that "it was a fun challenge". Not only did she accomplish her given task, but she enjoyed it so much that she decided to major in advertising next year in college.

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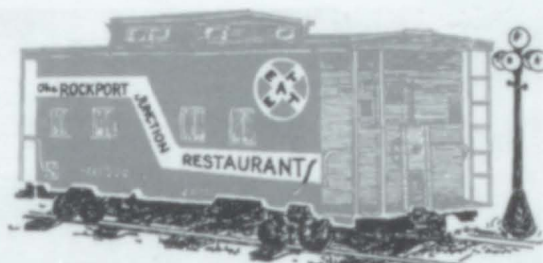
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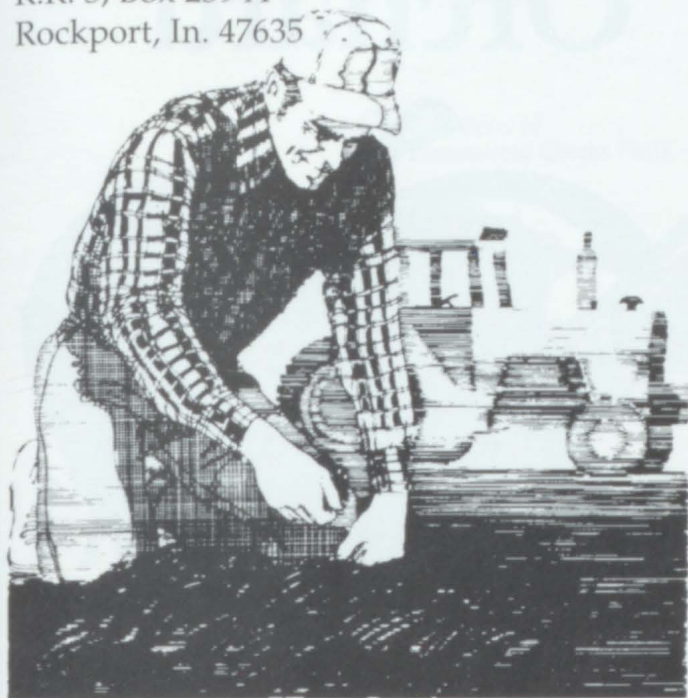
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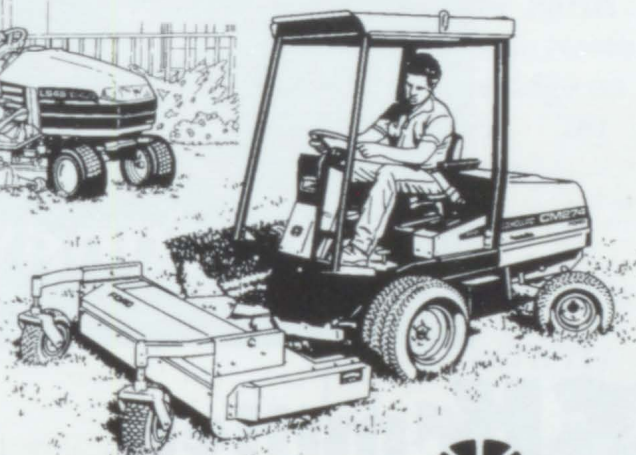
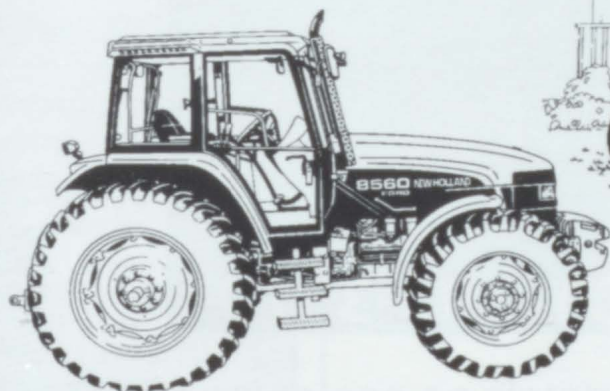
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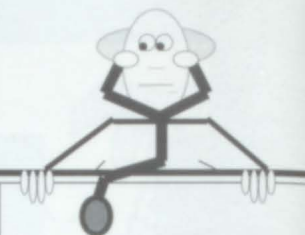
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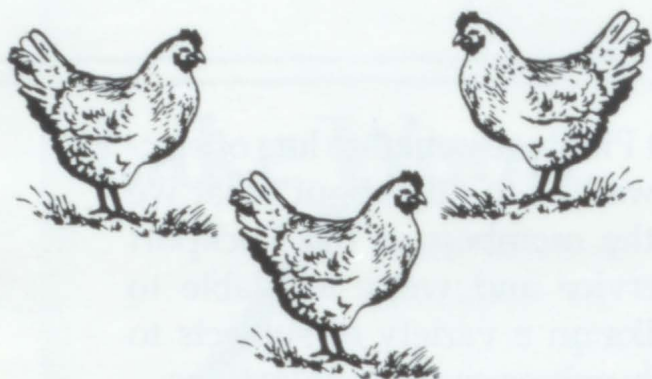
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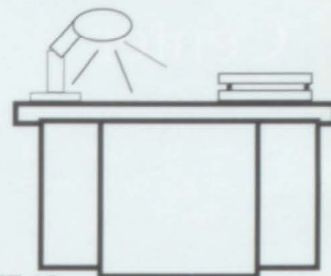
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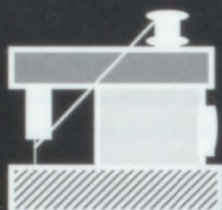
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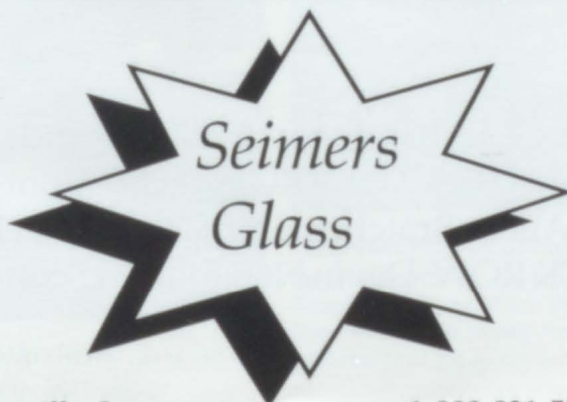
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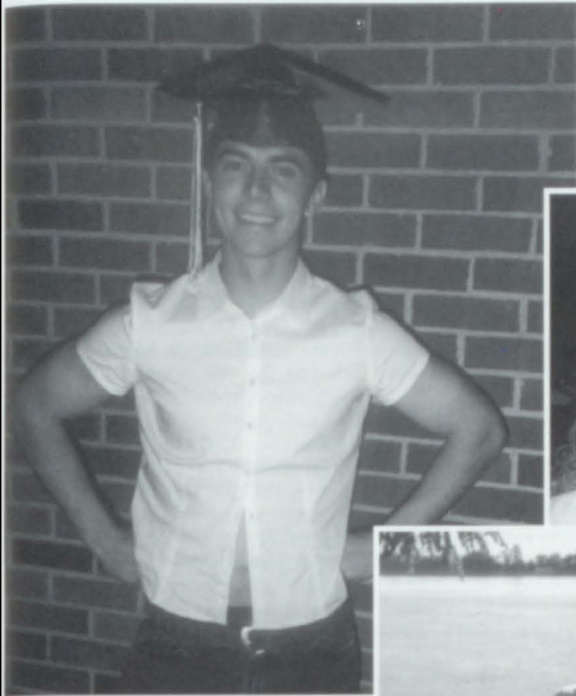
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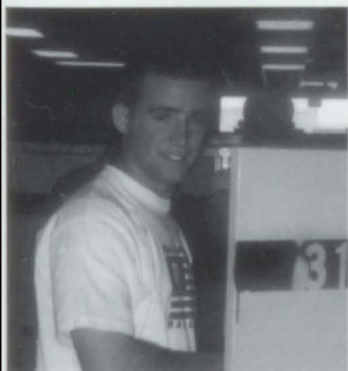
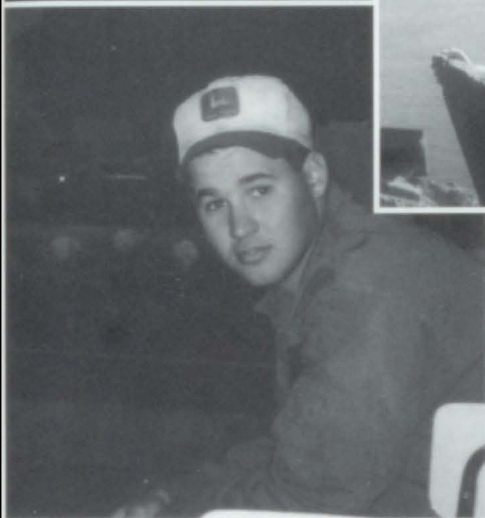
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Way To Go Class Of 1997

NOW WE BEGIN the separate journeys down the road each of us will take.



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*It seems that while
we are so busy
doing homework
and talking to
friends, the days
pass by and
suddenly another
year has come to
an end.*



WELL THIS IS IT, the end of the school year. Although underclassmen have to make up snow days the week after graduation, the last days for seniors have arrived.

For all students, the last weeks of school are often very stressful. With finals, term papers and end of season spring sports, there is so much weighing on a student's mind. Yet, for seniors, the stress can weigh even heavier. It seems that one by one, they suddenly realize that in a few short days, their lives are about to change. As always, some rejoice at the thought of moving on, while the more sentimental ones grow teary-eyed at the thought of leaving their friends.

Aside from all of this stress, most students can agree that the past year has gone by rather quickly, and many may have even come to the conclusion that it wasn't such a bad year after all. Because small schools, such as our own, seem to pride themselves on familiarity, changes can often be difficult. This school year began with new administrators. Many students and faculty would agree that in the beginning we may have gotten off to a bumpy start. By the end of the first semester, however, students grew used to the new rules and things seemed to tame down. Looking back now, many may even agree that some of the new rules were needed.

All in all it's been a pretty great year. For students and faculty it has been a year of growing to accept change, and for seniors it has been a year of growing into adulthood.

MARCHING BAND involves so much team work that many people develop lasting friendships. Nikki Jackson and Beth Langdon have been "band buddies" for four years.

JOHN DAY and Christina Heminokekey watch closely as Mr. Ray Chamberlain demonstrates the proper technique of using a scanner.



1. **MISTY HORN**, Jennifer Ward, Alisha Duncan, Tommarra Taylor, Takeia Taylor, and Jennifer White agree that lunch period seems to fly by when your hanging with your friends.

2. **AMIE PERRY** and Lindsay Hancock learn how to cook, serve, and enjoy foreign food during French class.

3. **STEVEN BOULTINGHOUSE** and Melissa Small pal around between classes.

4. **WHEN THE BETA CLUB** toured the Corvette museum in Bowling Green, KY, Clint Wetherill and Eric Harpaneau got to find out what it feels like to take a seat in "America's favorite sportscar."

IT LOOKS as if it is time to say goodbye. The class of 1997 is moving on.



How do you measure a A Year?



