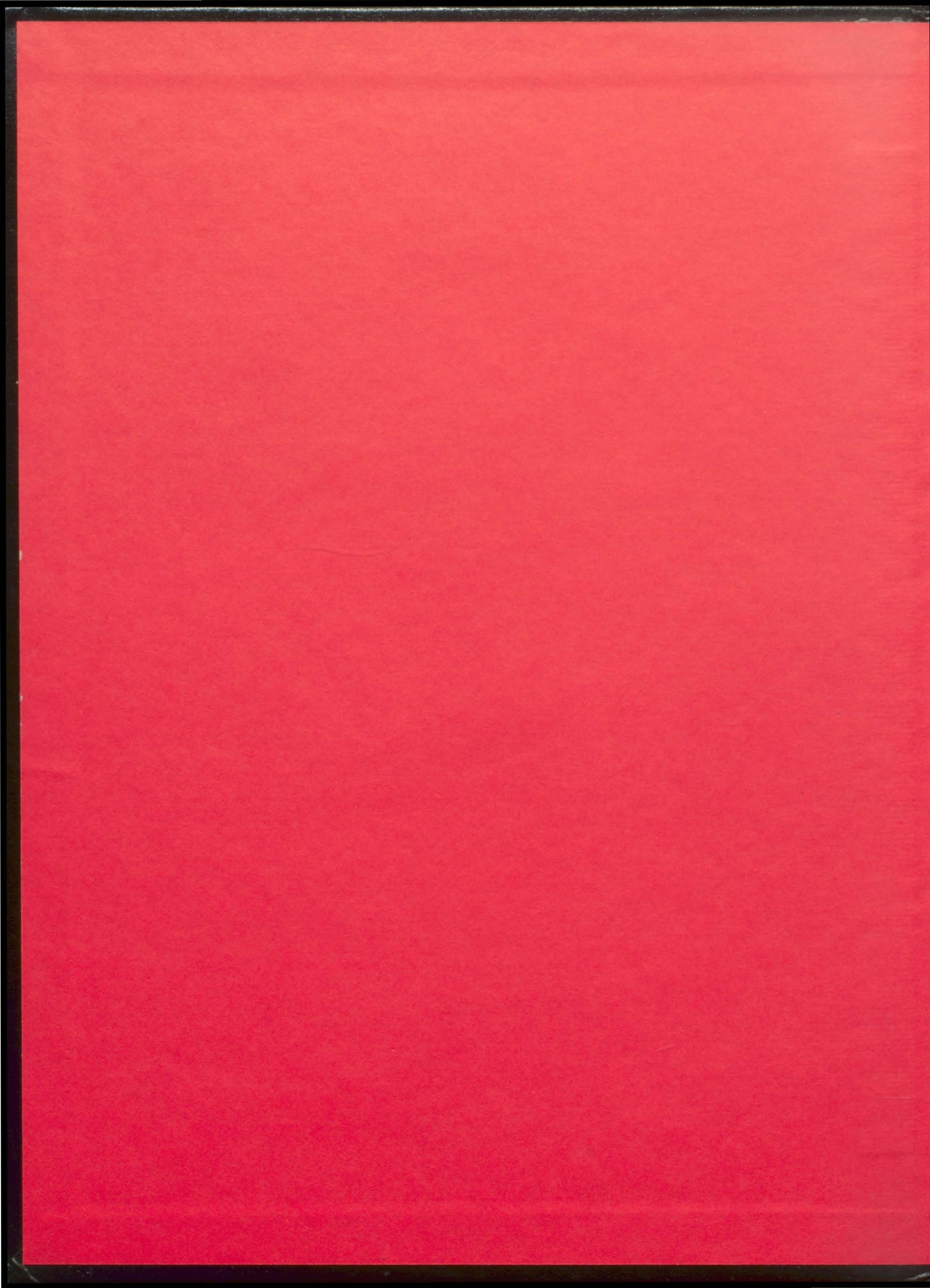


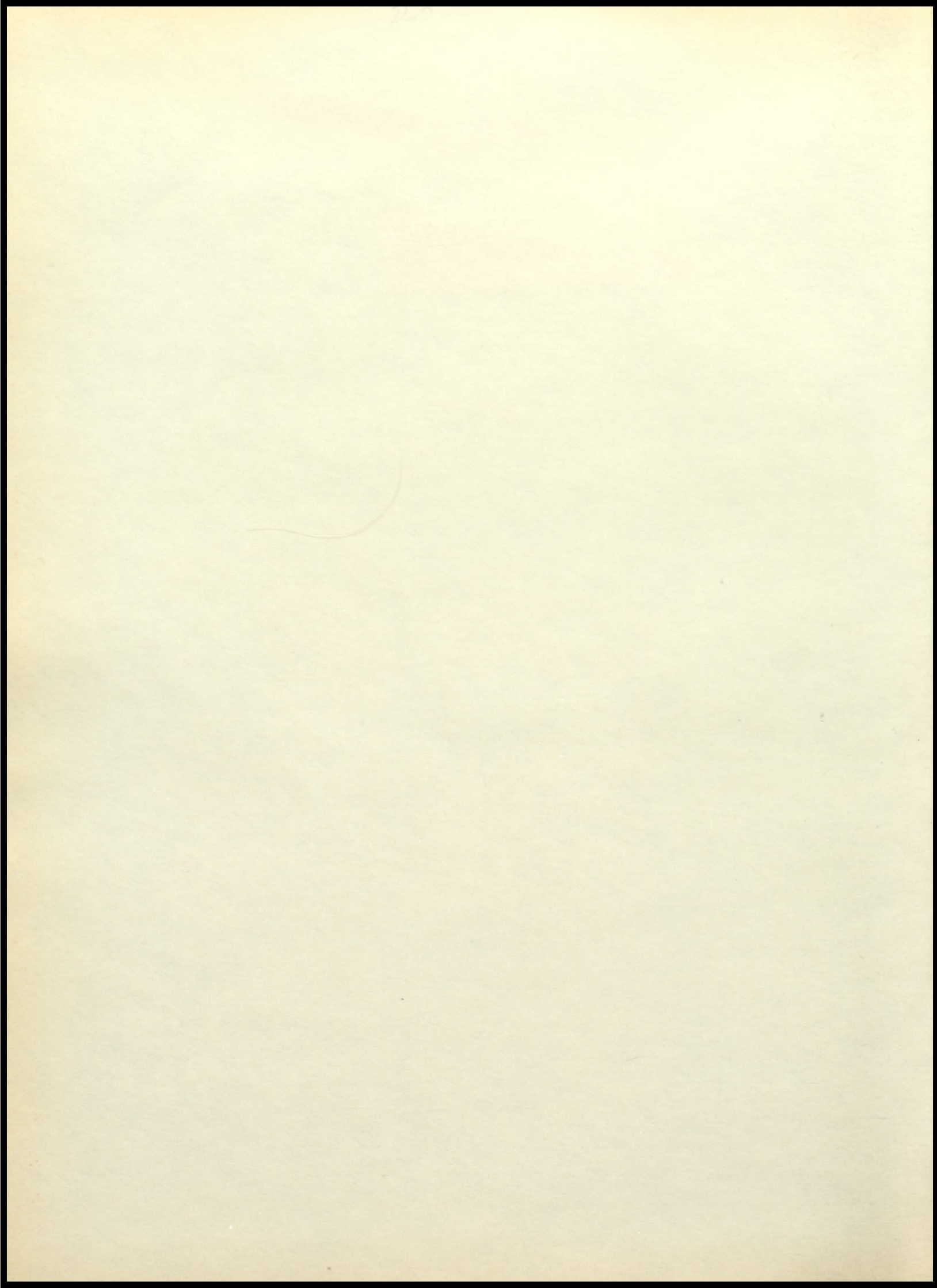


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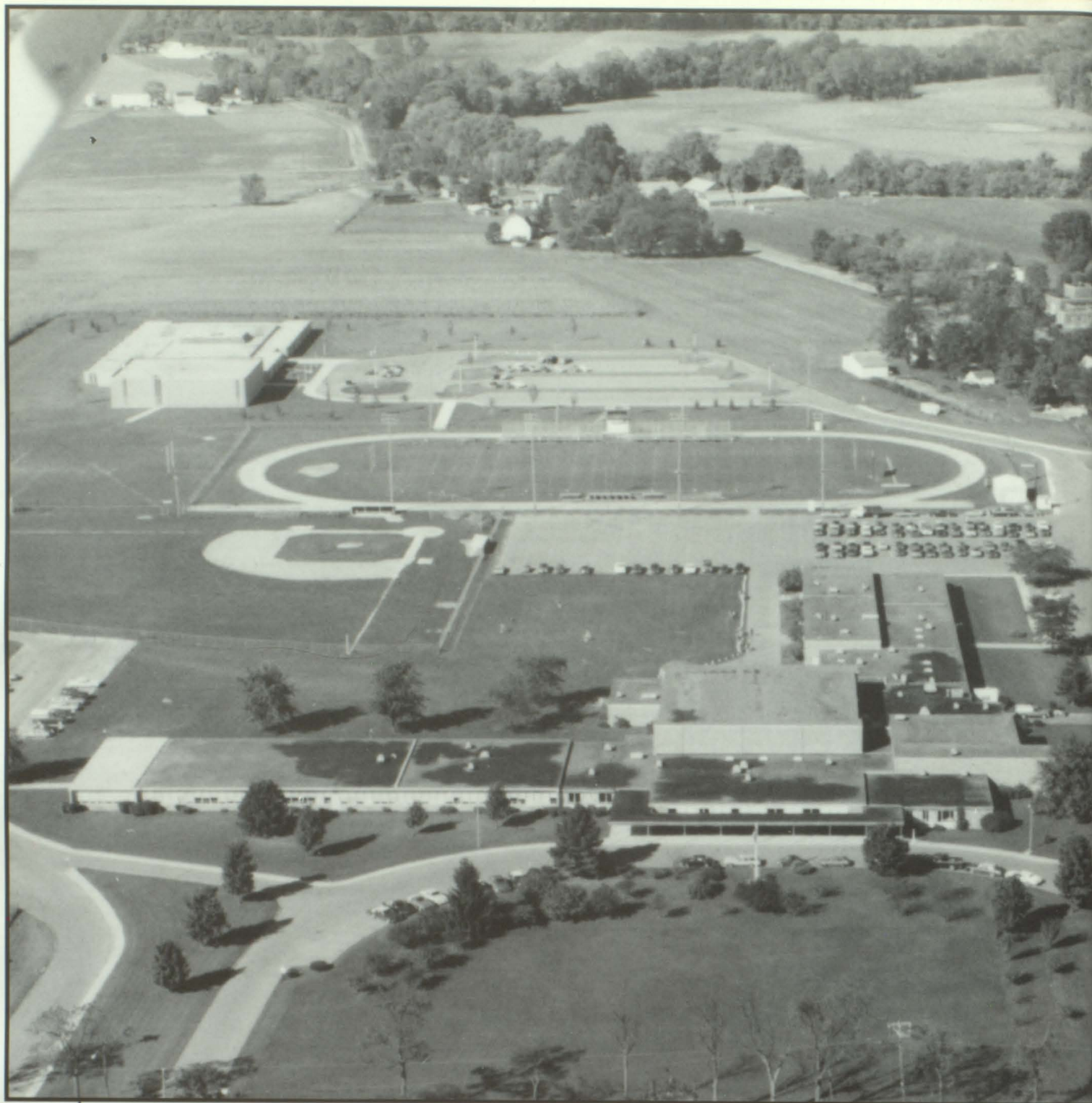
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The Seasons Change...



Homecoming queen Julie Wilson and her court - Jillian Redlinger, Emmy Jo Koester, and Marcy Betz at the pep assembly.



Carrie Bella, Emilie Harmes, and Josh Miller hear no evil, speak no evil, and see no evil during AP English poetry presentations.



JV player Ben Marks in the spotlight.



An aerial of the school brings the parts of the school all together, from the time we enter the doors in the fall to the day we leave in the spring.

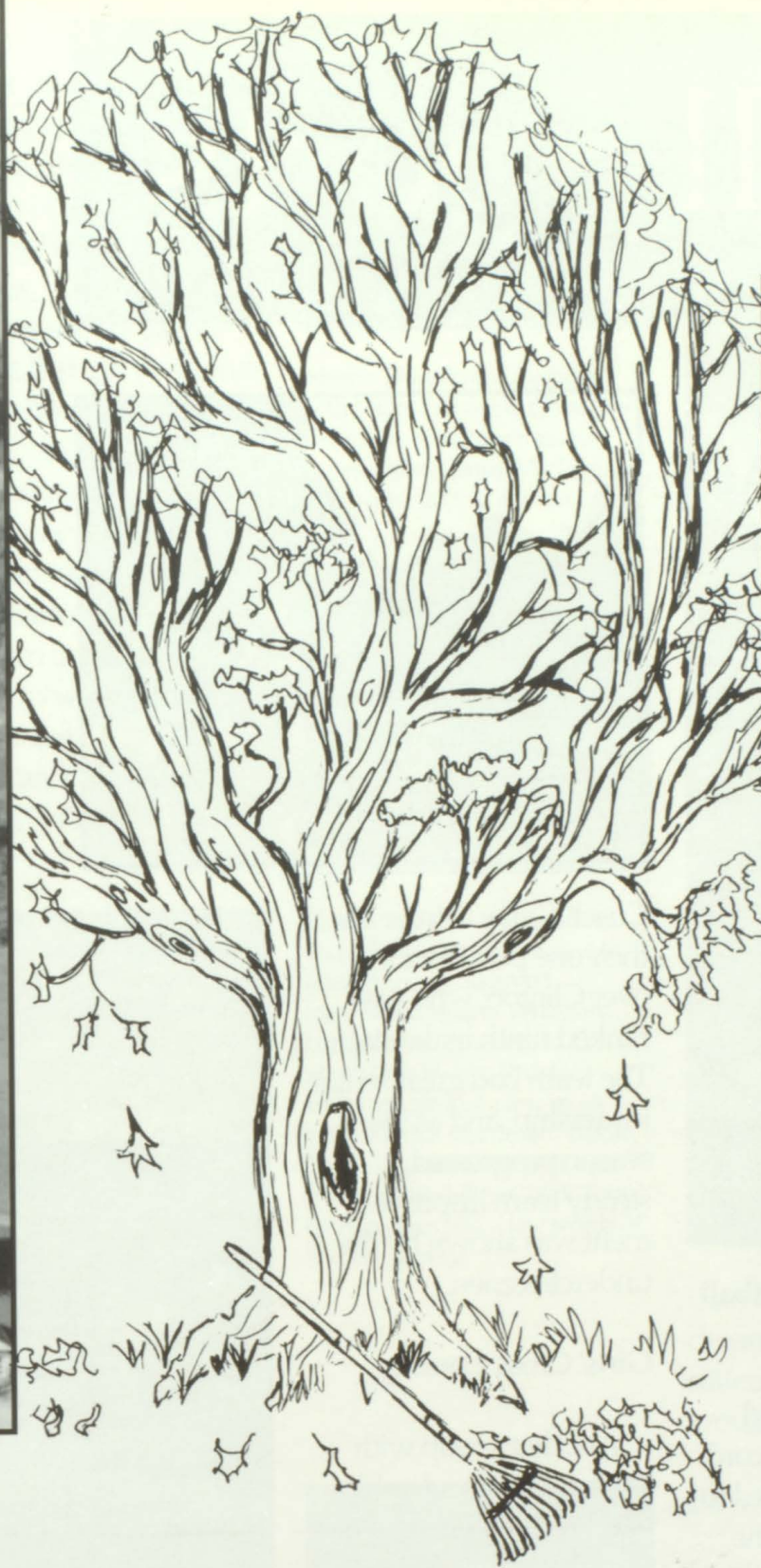


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And each in his or her own turn
learns that change waits for no one.

Fall Sports

Fall Sports At Blissfield High School

Fall sports at Blissfield High School were successful this year. There was a lot of hard work put into practice by all team members. The crowd support throughout the season was really awesome. Though all the sports didn't have a scoreboard victory, they all conquered their goals mentally and physically.

Girls' Varsity Basketball

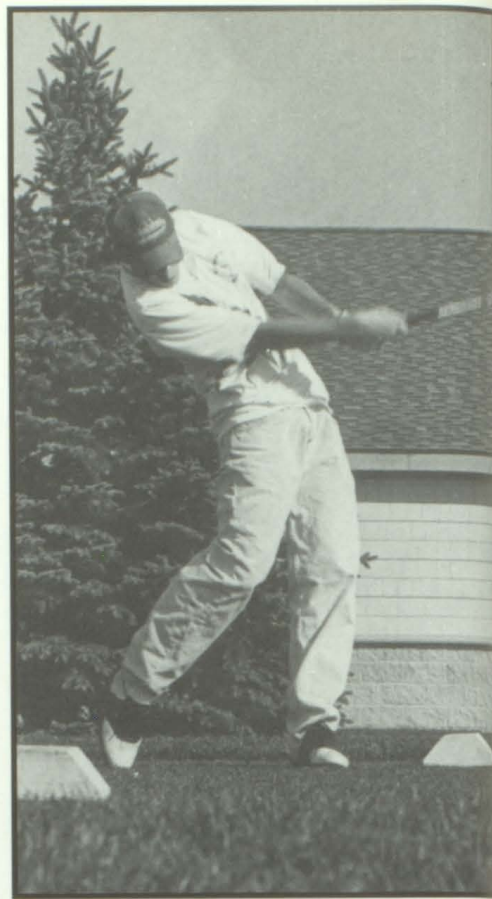
The varsity girls' basketball team ended with a 6-15 overall record and a 4-6 league record to rank them fourth in the LCAA. Captains for this year's team were Jamie Eisenmann, Jenny Marks, and Andrea Stutzman. Both Marks and Eisenmann were named second team all league. The highlight of their season according to



Coach Garry Brink was their one point victory over Clinton, who was ranked ninth in the state. The team had great senior leadership, and as the season progressed, a steady team improvement was shown by the underclassmen.

Girls' Cross Country

Another group with strong senior leadership was the Girls' Cross Country team. It was a historical season for them with a 15-1 over-all record. They placed first at Erie Mason Invitational, winning the Hudson Booster Invitational, sharing the league title with Ida, won Regionals, and placed fifth at the State meet.



Top Left: And they are off! The girls raced up the hill at Gerber to secure their placing against Dundee. They ended up winning the meet 15-50. Top Right: Senior Lance Miller swinging to success. Just look at his form. Perfection to a Tee.



Picture Above: The fired up crowd cheers on the varsity football team after one of their amazing plays. With their shakers in hand the fans never lost their spirit.

The varsity team members consisted of captains Melinda Ball and Julie Wilson, juniors Melonnie Furgason, Meran Miles, Shane Prielipp, Catherine Navarro, and freshmen Juanita Navarro, and Erin Marchal. Also contributing on junior varsity were Alicia Meyers, Salla Heinanan, and Betty Brien.

On December first at the annual fall awards assembly, the girls were congratulated with a standing ovation for their efforts in running and an

accumulative grade point average of 3.8. The girls came away from the season with a numerous amount of awards, and left the school a number of trophies.

Melonnie Furgason was the first girl to receive back-to-back MVP awards, and had an outstanding fifth place finish at the State Meet. This team will always be remembered as being the first team in Blissfield history to win the Regional meet.

Meran Miles has quoted, "We went farther



Above: The talented freshman Beth Miller looking to throw the ball to one of her open teammates. Below: Jenny Marks goes down after getting a finger in the eye.



Below: Jennifer Jean gets the junior varsity fans pepped up during a time out, with their amazing chair mount.



Picture Right: The Royals relax and celebrate during a time-out after their well deserved touchdown against Whiteford. Bottom Left: Determined Lon Smith slides by two Redskins trying to gain just a few more yards for that first down. Below: Senior Captain Shannon Darm works up the hill as Coach Tom Durbin gives him a few words of encouragement.



than we ever dared to dream this season." A statement that many would agree with.



Boys' Cross Country

The boys' cross country team started off slow but finished on the up beat. Senior captain Shannon Darm, and junior captain Robert Ball lead the Royals to their eight and eleven record, and a third place finish at the Erie





Top: The varsity cheerleaders doing a crowd line to get the fans "Fired Up". Below: Junior Chad Fetzer soars by the Whiteford line making a touchdown to aid the Royals in their first win of the season. The final score was 28-0.



Girls Cross Country



Girls Cross Country Front Row: Erin Marchal, Melonnie Furgason, Betty Brien, and Julie Wilson. Back Row: Coach Al Navarro, Alcia Meyers, Meran Miles, Catherine Navarro, Juanita Navarro, and Melinda Ball.

Mason Invitational.

There was constant improvement among the Royals, but there were slight setbacks when Kevin McHenery, and Robert Ball got injured. Still the runners worked through their problems and finished the season off with a seventh place finish at Regionals. Shannon Darm, and Jason Bradshaw were on the second team all league. Robert Ball and Brian Stutzman recieved the academic all league awards. Brian Stutzman earned the sportsmanship award, and Shannon Darm was this year's MVP.

Varsity Football

The '95 senior football captains Billy Weirich, Lon Smith, Brian Karg, and Ken Iffland helped lead the football team to a moral 3-6 overall victory.

Although the record didn't seem to prove much, the team was very successful compared to



<u>Fall Stats</u>		
	H	O
Girls Basketball		
Addison	48	80
Bedford	37	69
Mason	39	37
Columbia Central	41	50
Ida	30	39
Hudson	46	40
Dundee	54	32
Whiteford	40	41
Onsted	50	57
Morenci	54	45
Clinton	49	48
Mason	25	46
Bedford	22	45
Summerfield	36	44
Ida	29	47
Hudson	39	46
Sand Creek	32	53
Dundee	65	36
Onsted	26	32
Clinton	46	56
Summerfield	48	41
Girls Cross Country		
Columbia Central	23	38
Clinton	15	42
Michigan Center	15	50
Erie Mason Inv.	1st Place	
Ida	29	26
Summerfield	15	50
Whiteford	15	50
Perrysburg Inv.	3rd Place	
Dundee	15	50
Stritch Inv.	4th Place	
Onsted	18	42
Clinton	17	43
Chelsae Inv.	No Score	
Hudson Inv.	1st Place	
Mason	19	42
Hudson	21	37
Onsted Inv.	2nd Place	
Morenci	15	50
Summerfield	15	50
Lenawee Christian	15	50
Whiteford	15	50
LCAA	1st Place	
Regionals	1th Place	
State	5th Place	

Left: Junior Tina Bergman shoots up the outside two over Columbia Central. This put the Royals ahead by a point just before half-time.

previous years. The team goal was to have a 5-4 record, and the first game of the year started them out right with a 28-0 win over Whiteford. As the season progressed the goal started to fade away but they never gave up.

When head coach Steve Babbitt talked to the other teams coaches, they couldn't believe how we were a 3-6 team. The team averaged 290 yards per game, an increase of 131 yards from last year. The total yardage for the year was a pleaser too, totaling out to an astonishing 1785 yards compared



Above: Kevin McHenery charges up the hill toward the finish ahead of the Dundee man.

to 799 yards from last year. The team also averaged 22.5 points per game, 14.8 points more than last year.

Golf

The golf team was lead by co-captains Pete Baker and Jeremy Villegas to a morally satisfying 22-32 win-loss record. They placed fourth in the League, and were sixth at

Regionals.

Mike Newsted received the MVP award, the first team all league award, and the academic all league award. The all league sportsman ship award went to Jeremy Villegas, and Jim Seiser received the Hoening Award.

That wraps up the fall sports for 1996.

Right: As Pete Baker watches the game in astonishment Molly Rose, and Andrea Stutzman hold up their home made signs to help the Royals Spirit.



Fall MVP's



Varsity Girls Basketball MVP: Jamie Eisenmann

Number of Rebounds: 191

Number of Points Scored: 171

Seasonal Quote: "It was my best season, not because of how I played, but because of the great team I was on and the great teammates I had. I was very priveleged to be on a team this year that were friends and teammates."



Girls Cross Country MVP: Melonnie Furgason

Number of Medals: Sixteen

Fastest Time: 19:38

Seasonal Quote: "We had a great season and a lot of fun in the process."



Boys Cross Country MVP: Shannon Darm

Number of Medals: Seven

Fastest Time: 17:39

Seasonal Quote: "We had a lot of team unity this year. We all matured and grew together like one big happy family"



Varsity Football MVP: Billy Weirich

Number of Touchdowns: 13

Number of Completions: 47

Seasonal Quote: "Despite the losing record the season was a real success. Eveybody worked hard."



Varstiy Golf MVP: Mike Newsted

Best Score: 37

Seasonal Quote: "It was a good year, not necessarily for how we played, but for how we came together as a team and had fun."



Above: Freshman Erin Marshal pushes herself enough to finish ahead of the Dundee Girl.



Above: Freshman Justin Merillat making a clean tackle and stops the Onsted team just short of a first down.



Above Picture: Jennifer Leking dribbles down the court and around the Ida girl looking for an open team member.

Varsity Cheerleaders Front Row: B. Martinez, M. Porter, M. Betz, J. Redlinger. Second Row: E. Eff, G. Pagel, J. Weirich. Back Row: T. Isley, L. Dieble, M. Taylor, E.J. Koester, L. Saxton.

Fall Stats

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Boys Cross Country

Columbia Central	27	30
Michigan Center	22	36
Clinton	21	38
Erie Mason Inv.	3rd Place	
Ida	49	15
Perrysburg Inv.	6th Place	
Dundee	24	31
Stritvh Inv.	11th Place	
Onsted	36	19
Clinton	17	43
Chelsea Inv.	5th Place	
Hudson Inv.	7th Place	
Hudson	38	17
Mason	32	23
Onsted Inv.	6th Place	
Morenci	16	39
Lenawee Christian	15	50
Summerfield	15	50
LCAA	5th Place	
Regionals	7th Place	

Varsity Football

Whiteford	28	0
Morenci	20	28
Hudson	14	22
Dundee	28	34
Clinton		
Ida	26	20
Onsted	19	34
Columbia Central	34	39
Erie Mason	20	9

Golf

Manchester	185	182
Napoleon	185	182
Summerfield	169	161
Onsted Jamboree	4th Place	
Gabriel Richard	199	191
Mason Jamboree	4th Place	
Dundee Jamboree	5th Place	
Ida Jamboree	2nd Place	
Blissfield Jamboree	4th Place	
Hudson Jamboree	7th Place	
Clinton Jamboree	4th Place	
Morenci	186	178
Regionals	6th Place	

Varsity Basketball



Boys Cross Country



Boys Cross Country Front Row: C. Koppelman, and N. Darm. Second Row: K. McHenery, Brian Stutzman, S. Darm, R. Ball, and Brent Stutzman. Back Row: Coach Durbin, B. VanStavern, G. Wells, B. Koppelman, and J. Snyder

Varsity Cheerleaders



Varsity Basketball Front Row: T. Vore, J. Marks, T. Bergman. Middle Row: B. Berry, K. Goetz, A. Stutzman, H. Bowen. Back Row: M. Rose, J. Eisenmann, A. Heiden, A. Koppelman, and Coach Gary Brink.

J.V. Basketball Front Row: J. Visingardi, R. Porter, J. Leking, H. Brockway, H. Burgermeister. Back Row: Coach Noel, A. Emmerson, B. Miller, H. Nevins, K. Moore, M. Benko, and J. Gallatin. **Varsity Football** Front Row: L. Smith, K. Iffland, B. Karg, B. Weirich, W. Thompson, T. Horky, S. Sellick. Second Row: J. O'Brien, T. Bowen, D. Crist, C. Vanderlaan, P. Milosh, T. Vancamp, M. Viers, S. Hicks, C. Loar. Third Row: B. Bailey, S. Pratt, M. Hinde, E. Frederick, R. VanLoocke, C. Fetzer, and B. Mitchell. Fourth Row: K. LaVoy, R. Robinson, J. Thompson, A. LaTour, R. Mallory, M. Dilley, and M. Wittscheck. Back Row: Phil Curbway, Coach Herman, Coach Babbitt, Coach Jackson, and Coach Thompson. **J.V. Football** Front Row: M. Pixley, A. Hinde, T. Kudlac, A. Langmeyer, R. Freer, J. Merillat, J. Hackathorn, and P. DeSandro. Second Row: C. Butler, B. Milosh, J. Allhouse, D. Robinson, A. Fay, and C. Piros. Back Row: Coach Heiden, T.J. Young, J. Miller, M. Karg, N. Wilson, N. Sheldon, R. Andrews, and Coach Masters.

JV Basketball



Varsity Football



JV Football



J.V. Cheerleaders Front Row: S. Kerekgyarto, J. Overhulse, K. Forgacs, and J. Jean. Back Row: L. Lake, K. Brown, E. Sell, J. Streby, and S. Piotter-Anderson.

Golf Front Row: L. Miller, N. Lajiness, M. Newsted, K. Cheney, J. Berry, and R. Betz. Back Row: J. Villegas, D. Sayler, N. Neiman, P. Baker, J. Casterline, and Coach Cameron

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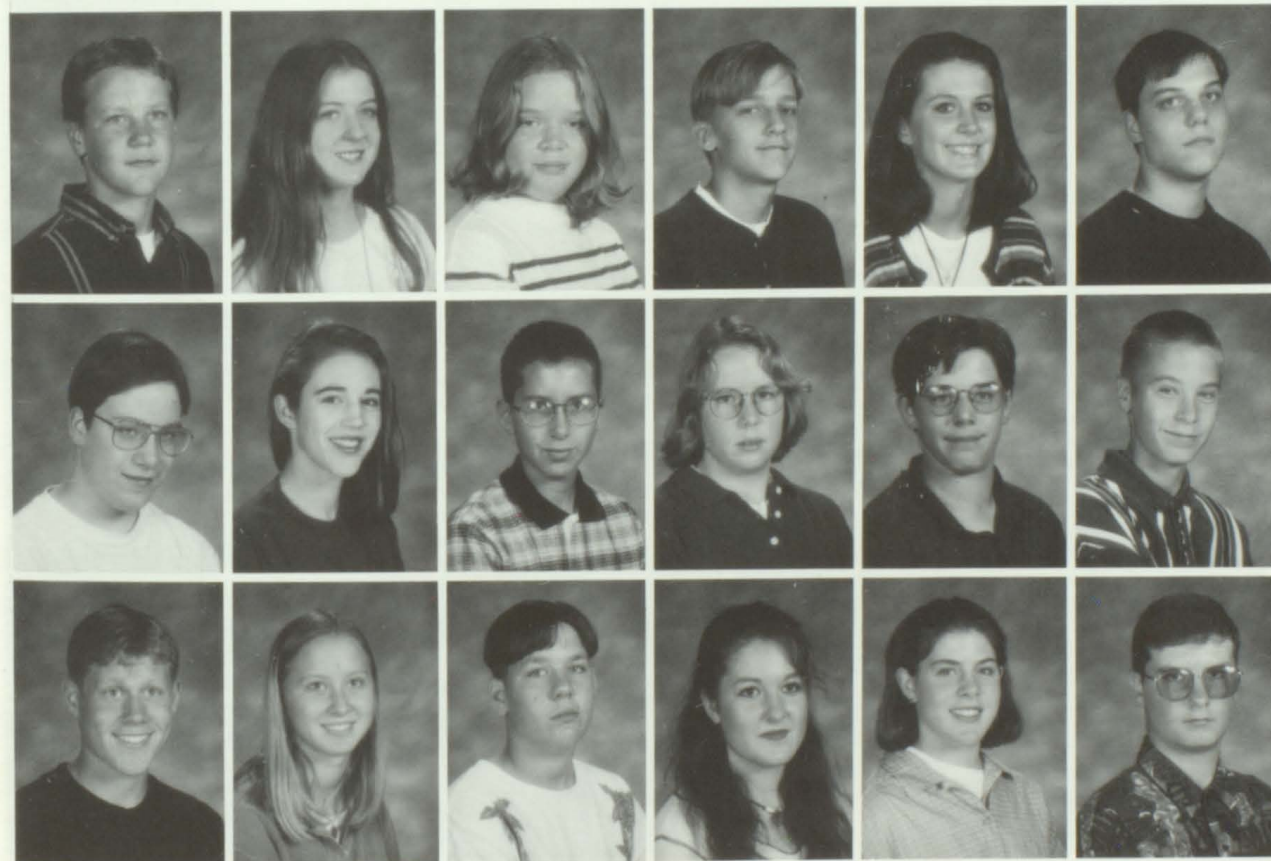
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Above: Freshmen Class Officers- Student Council Representative, Rocco Freer; Vice President, Brooke Cranor; President, Stacy Barrett; Student Council Representative, Jennifer Overhulse. Row Two- Treasurer, Molly Force and Secretary, Lana Frye.
Bottom Left: Mr. Masters' freshmen social studies class designs t-shirts for geography awareness seek: Brandon Noe, Temira Kafer, Sheana Kitson, Molly Force, Jennifer Leking, Melinda Kendall.
Top Left: Freshmen class advisors, Mrs. Isley and Mrs. Hawley.

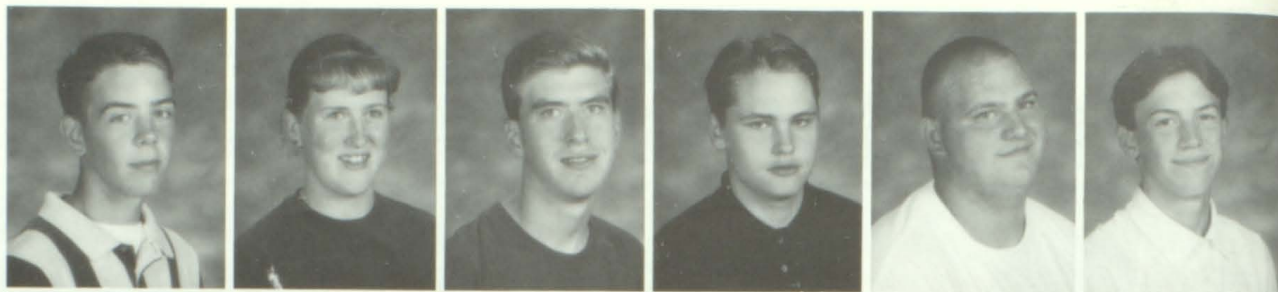


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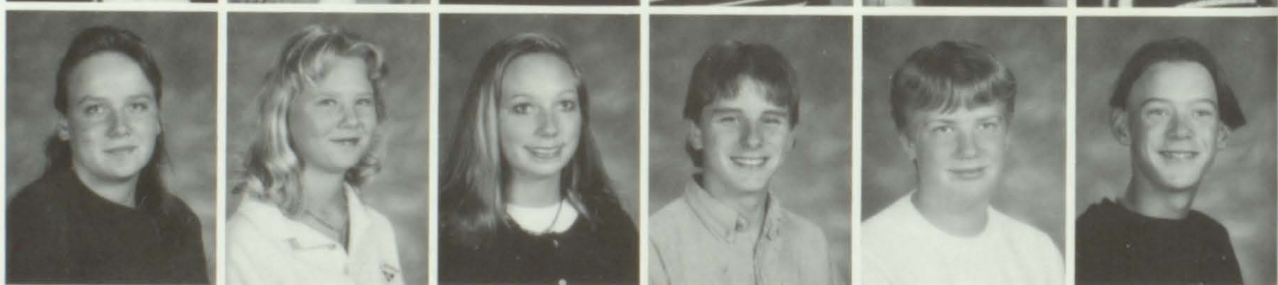
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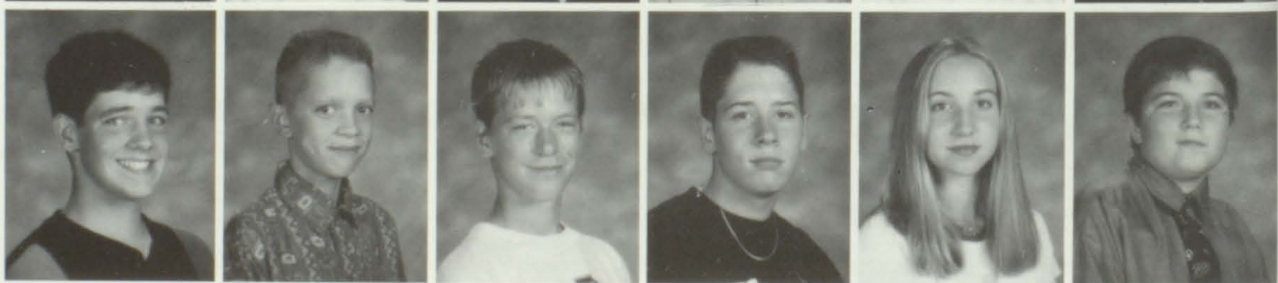
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Above: Varsity Cheerleader Michelle Wahl shows her spirit by helping to place flowers on the freshman float.
Top right: Craig Horky paints the freshman float at Kilee Goetz' shop.



Jason Bradshaw takes his place as point guard on Blissfield's J.V. team.

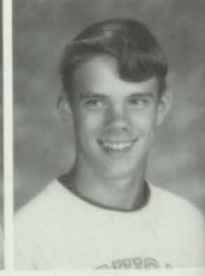
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HOMECOMING '95

Who will be crowned queen? Who's class will turn out the best float and have the most spirit. Homecoming '95 featured the 2nd annual community rally at the football field to let the community show their spirit and support.

Spirit week brought us a lot of laughs. The student body and the faculty were really involved this year and made it a great experience. When I grow up day featured hockey players, nurses, pro golfers and huge variety of others. Cross dressing day also was a huge success that will bring us a lot of memories.

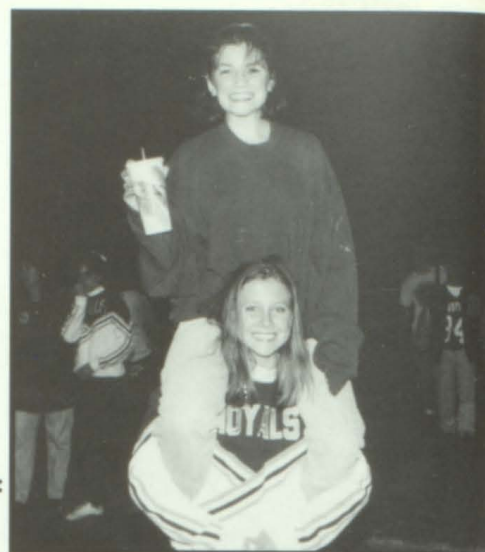


Top: Chief Masters is on the hunt. **Top Right:** Mrs. Thompson? **Middle:** The varsity football team take a minute to pose for their pictures. **Middle right:** The Cheerleaders "Do a little dance" for the student body. **Middle:** Holly Bowen, Matt Dilley, Sam Forche and Kayla Brown exchange wordrobes for a day. **Middle Right:** The juniors show they're not afraid to show a little spirit. **Bottom Left:** The junior show they're Royal support at the community pep rally. **Bottom Right:** The Senior pyramid stands strong.

HOMECOMING '95



Left: Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Durbin aid Mr. Thompson in Spirit Healing. **Right:** Shenna Kitson and Kelly Forgacs at the community rally. **Below Left:** Nikki Gould and Cyndi Case paint their logo on the Junior "Hawley the Redskins Away" float. **Below Right:** Sarah Munoz and Matt Dilley stencil letters onto their float. **Bottom Left:** Senior Float riders Jenny Marks and Emilie Harmes ride the senior float "Royals Master the Skins". **Bottom Right:** Representing the Juniors is Sarah Munoz and Catherine Navarro. **Bottom Left:** Riding the winning Sophomore float "Spin a Webb around the Skins" was Jennifer Visingardi, Emily Sell and Alaina Phillips. **Bottom Right:** Representing the Freshman was Shelby Piotter-Anderson and Laura Mitchell.



Left: Homecoming Queen candidates, (right to left) Emmy Jo Koester, Marcy Betz, Julie Wilson and Jillian Redlinger. **Below:** The Homecoming Queen candidates show they're not afraid to get their face dirty. **Left:** Ken Ifland and Brian Karg viciously attack a helpless little apple. **Left:** The Junior at the community rally. Laura Mitchell, Melissa Benko, Jennah Gentz and Renee Porter get all painted up for the big game. **Bottom Left:** "Father like son" is Nick Nieman and his dad on "When I grow up day". **Bottom Right:** Amber MacFarlane and Rachel Warner share in the fun at the community rally.



Friday was jam packed with events. The pep rally featuring Queen canadites Marcy Betz, Julie Wilson, Jillian Redlinger and Emmy Jo Koester in a pie eating contest. The cheerleaders fascinated us with their dancing skills. The faculty skit on restroring spirit was fun for everyone. The pep rally was a huge success.

After school was over students rushed to their designated float building site for last minute building. The parade featuring the float rides and the queen canidites. After the parade was the game. Students painted their faces, made signs and screamed at the top of their lungs during the game. Half time held all the excitment, Floats were paraded around the field. The queen canidates took their final spin around the feild before the nerve racking crowning of the new queen. Tension ran high as Andrea Stutzman annouced the spirit week winner. This years winners were the Sopomores. Next was the crowning of the queen. Last years queen Jenny Watkins crowned our new Queen Julie Wilson.



STUDENT COUNCIL



Top Left: Student Council Officers: Vice President, Andrea Stutzman; Treasurer, Chris Rupp; Secretary, Shane Prielipp; and President, Molly Rose.

Bottom Left: Student Council: Chris Rupp; Jenny Marks; Ryan Andrews; Jennifer Overhulse; Brooke Cranor. Row Two-Melissa Porter; Andrea Stutzman; Shane Prielipp; Holly Bowen; Stan Masters. Row Three- Peter Baker; Jamie Eisenmann; Molly Rose; Alaina Phillips; Brian Stutzmann.

Bottom Right: Sue Thomas speaks about her many accomplishments and her battle with deafness.



Above: President Molly Rose and Vice President Andrea Stutzman

Student Council has brought spirit to the highschool with such events as Spirit Week and Winter Wonder Week. Student Council also organizes recycling in classrooms, and assemblies. Other activities Student Council is involved in are arranging the senior slide show, the senior breakfast, and career day.



HONOR SOCIETY



Mr. Masters and Leann Mason begin the lighting of the candles at the Honor Society banquet.



Emilie Harmes and Julie Wilson toasting the camera at the Honor Society Banquet.



Mrs. Heineman and Mrs. Hejl serve chocolate torte.



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Bottom Left: Todd and Holly Bowen sit with their family at the Honor Society Banquet as Freshman Winner's Circle member Jennifer Wells waits on them.

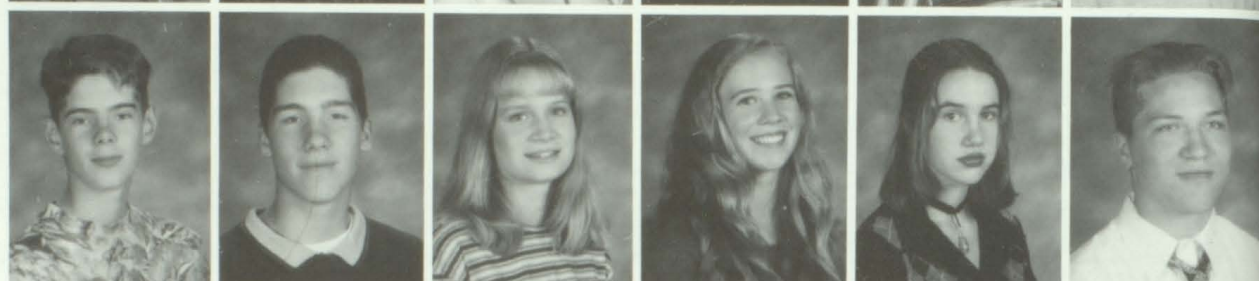
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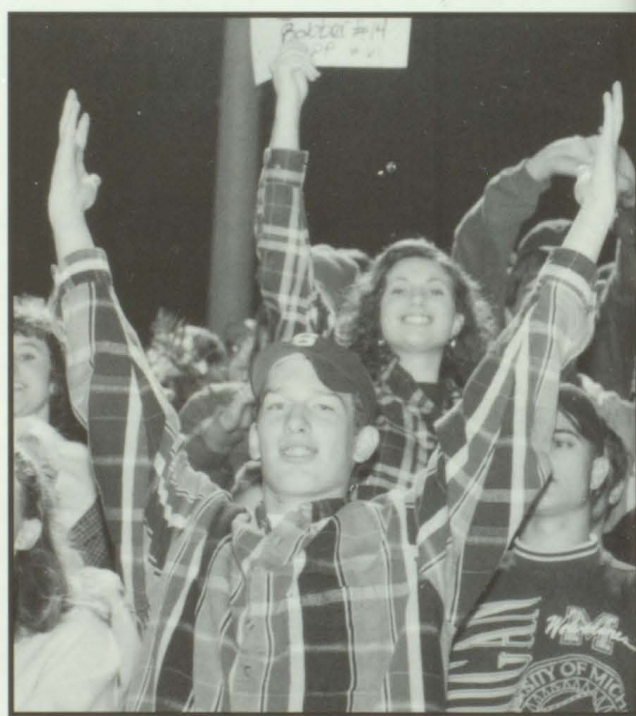
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Nicholas Fisher
Samuel Forche
Melanie Fritz



Top left: Cheerleaders Kayla Brown and Emily Sell talk with friend Greathen Sauter between the J.V. and Varsity game. Top middle: Class of '98 supporters Heather Nevins and Holly Bowen at the homecoming pep assembly. Above: It's good according to Bo Koppleman at the homecoming game. Left bottom: Class officers Brian Stutzman (Rep.), Alaina Phillips (Secretary), Ryan Andrews (Rep.), Emily Sell (Treasurer), Holly Bowen (V.P.), and Kayla Brown (President).



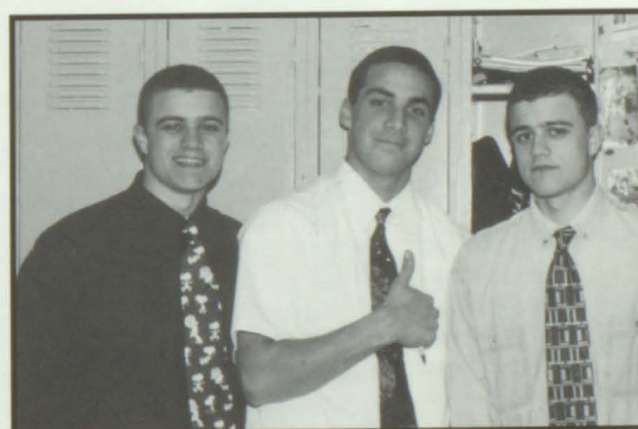
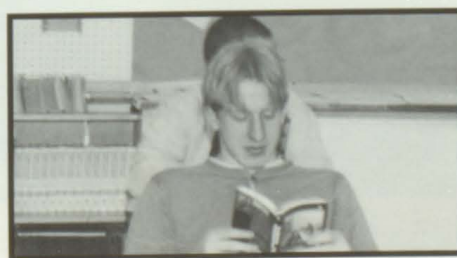
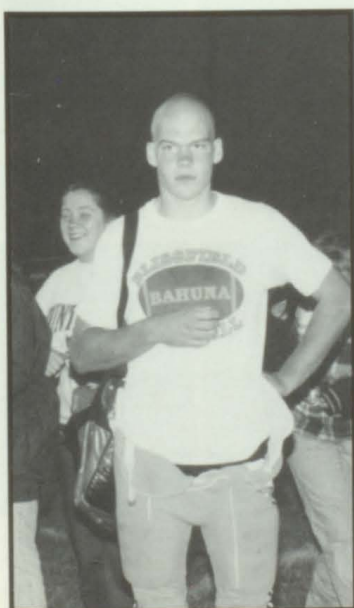
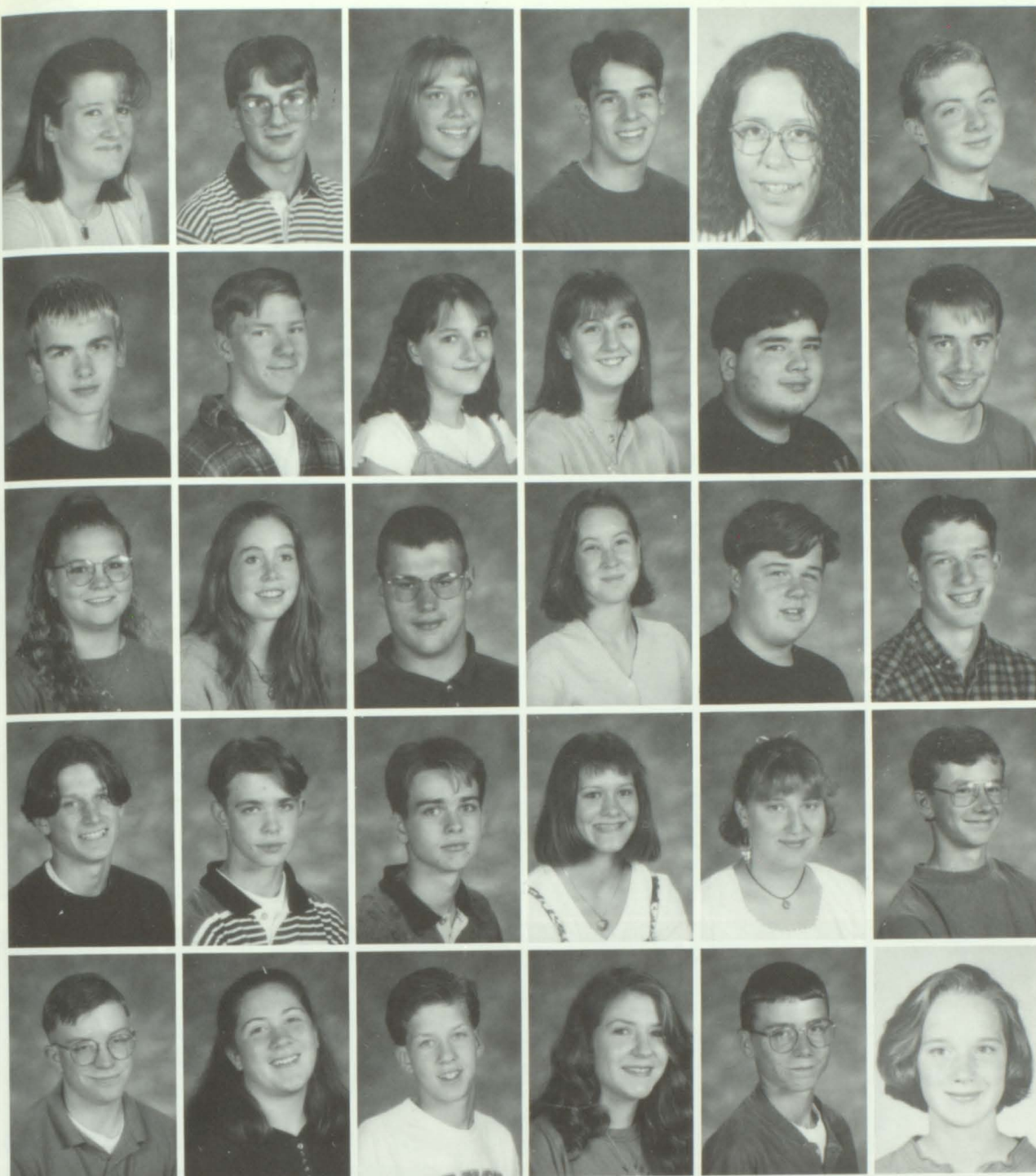
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Far Left: At the Homecoming Royal Rally, Bryce Wilson watches the activities. Middle Top: Amanda Emerson studies intently in Mr. Sullivan's history class. Above: Three Musketeers! Brent Stutzman, Nick Sheldon, and Brian Stutzman stop at their lockers in between classes. Middle Bottom: Sam Risher reads in Mrs. Mershon's class

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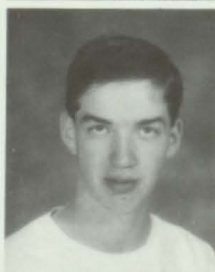
The sophomore class fires up at the homecoming pep assembly. The class of '98 was the winner of Spirit Week and the float building contest.



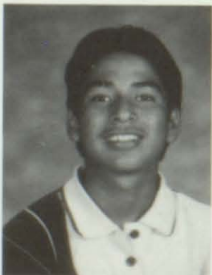
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*Not Pictured:
Kristy Rodriguez

Far Left: Solomn faced buddies Justin Thompson and Andy Fay stop in between classes. Left Top: At the Winner's Circle Banquet held in November, Holly Bowen, Kayla Brown, Jessica Streby, and Jenny White take time out from serving their parents. Left Bottom: Steve Marks, Ben Marks, and Jake Heine finishing up lunch.



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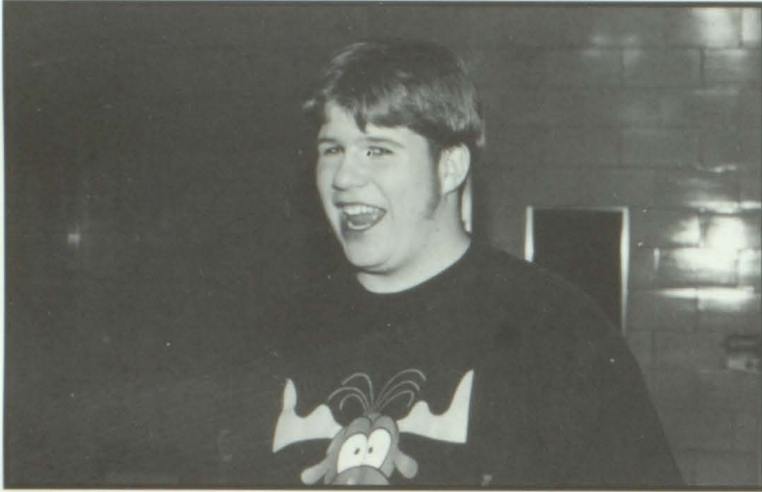
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Facing Up



Mike Butler awaiting his turn to put the rest of his make-up on before the start of the all school play.



Pete Baker, Rachel Hartzel, and Sheana Kitson get themselves ready for the opening night of the all school play. Break a leg guys!



The opening act of the all school play proved to be a big success as the talented students act out their roles.

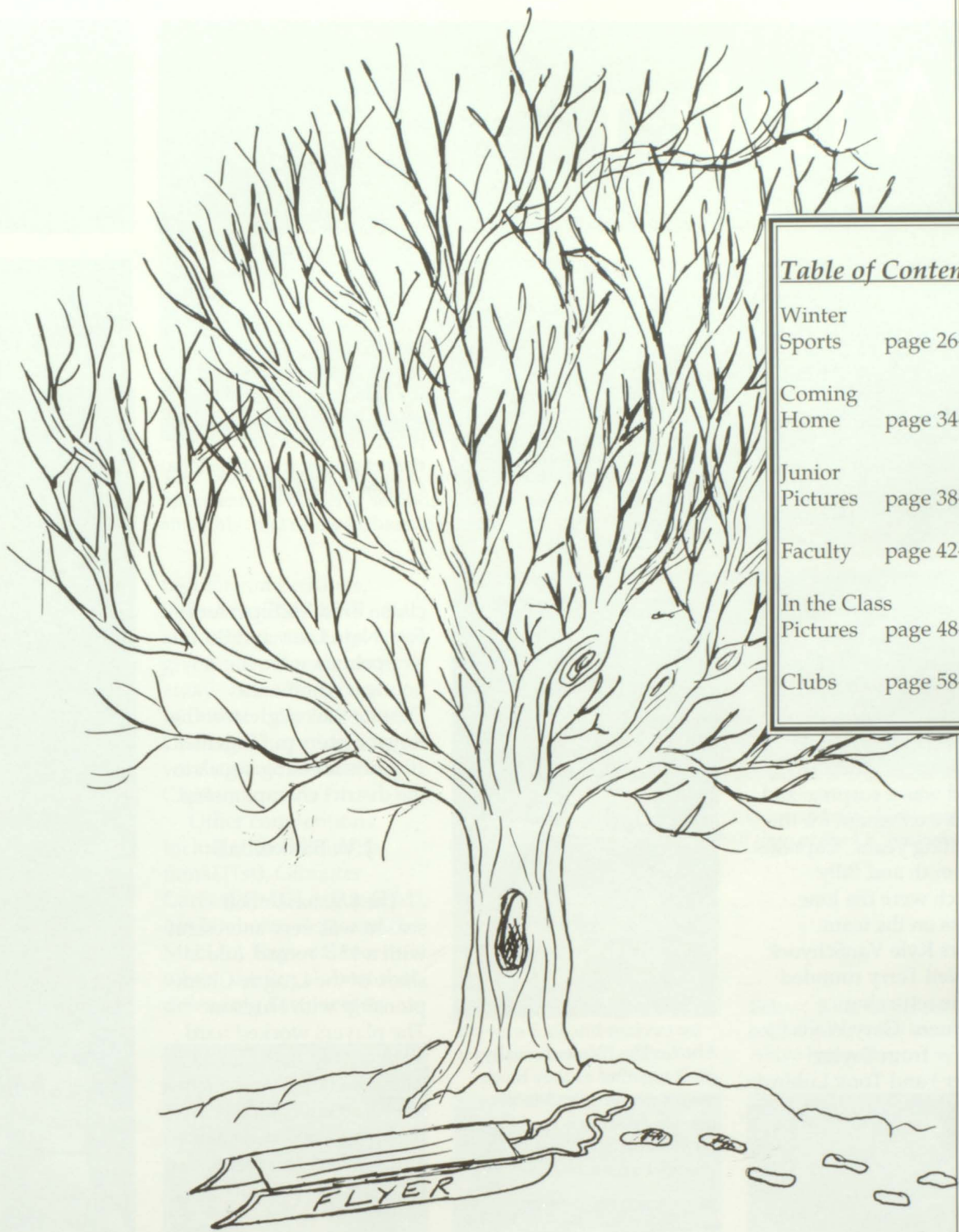


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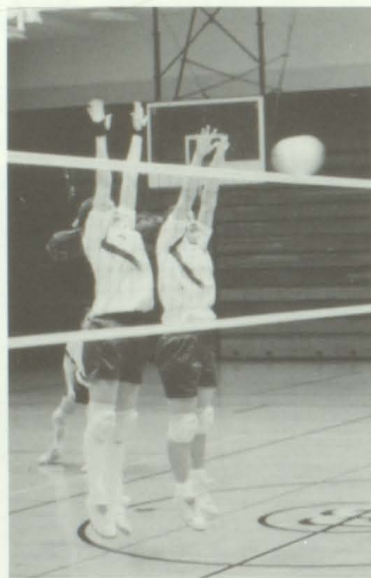
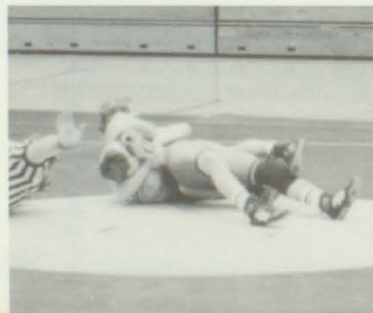
Winter Sports



Varsity Basketball

The 1996 varsity basketball team was a pleasant surprise. The major goal for this young team was experience, so the 15-7 record was a surprise and sparks excitement for the oncoming years. Captains Lon Smith and Billy Weirich were the lone seniors on the team. Juniors Kyle VanSchyock and Neil Terry rounded out the returning lettermen. Gary Wells (a transfer from Taylor Center) and Tony Lubinski also represented the junior

Below: Kevin McHenery holds his opponent down for a pin as he looks toward his coach for any special instructions.



Above: The J.V. team really get it together as they block the return hit from Mason. Below: Freshman Eric Eisenmann is left open and shoots it up for two.



Left: Senior Lon Smith drives in and shoots the ball up over the Mason defender. Right: Senior Abbie Koppelman recoils and wails the ball over the net getting it past the lone Clinton defender.

class. Brad Phillips, Andy Fay, Nate Loar, and Bo Koppelman were the young sophomores. Despite the rough start the Royal netters put together a 10 game winning streak to the district championship.

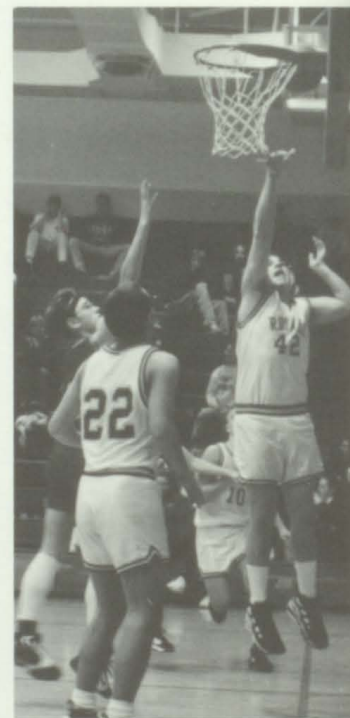
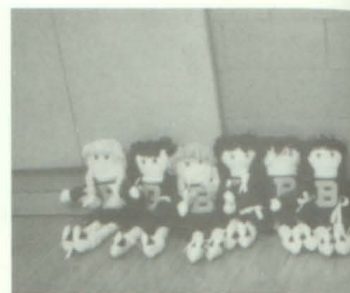
J.V. Basketball

The J.V. basketball season was very successful with a 13-7 record, and a share of the League Championship with Hudson. The players worked hard all year, and had a lot of fun. The fans who watched the J.V. team could see that they improved their game and worked as a team throughout the entire season.

Freshman Basketball

The freshman basketball team, under the leadership of second year coach Mike Noel, turned out another winning season 12-7. The freshman started off a little rough.

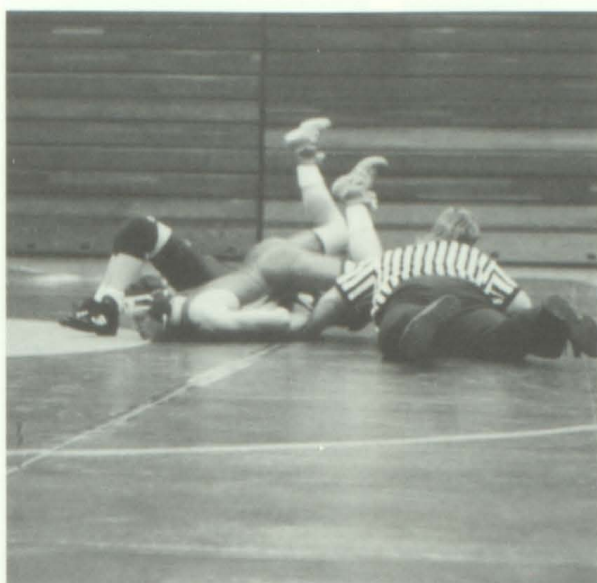
"We would win one,



Above: Freshman Roco Free helps out the J. V. team by sneaking past the Redskins defense and shooting the two point basket.

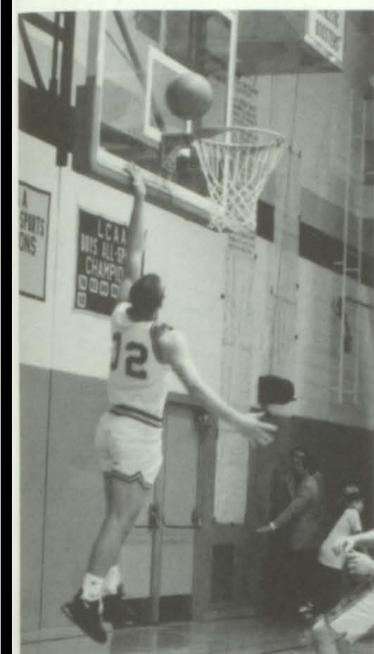


Top: The varsity dolls, bought by Coach Thompson, sit along the wall to bring the varsity cheer team goodluck for the LCAA meet.



Top: State qualifier Reggie Robinson pins his opponent in a matter of seconds. Quickly and smoothly, that's how he likes to wrestle.

Below: The varsity competitive cheer team goes into a mount during their floor routine of one of their league meets.



Top: Justin Thompson drives down the court after a steal and lays the ball easily into the hoop.

lose one, win one, lose one, at the beginning of the season. Then they just came together and played as a team and won as a team."

Varsity Cheer

The varsity cheer team competed a very successful season with an impressive second place finish at the state competition, held at Delton Kellogg High School on February 24. The Royals competed against seven other teams going for the title of State Champion. This year in addition to

regular competitions, league matches were held and league standings were given. The Royals came away with a 2-1 record, with their only loss to Onsted. They picked up wins against Ida and Clinton.

Other competitions included the Ida invitational (1st), Gibraltar Carlson (1st), League (2nd), Ida Jamboree (1st), and the MHSAA Regional meet where the Royals beat the defending East Jackson



Top: The junior varsity competitive cheer team shows everyone what they are made of during half time of the J.V. basketball game.

Below: Andy Fay's aggressive spirit shines through as he draws a foul and makes two more points for the Royals.

Below: Kilee Goetz sets the ball nicely over to senior Abbie Koppelman



Above: Freshman Beth Miller uses her powerful arm to send the ball back to the Redskins.



High School to qualify them for the state competition.

J.V. Cheer

The J.V. Cheer team had a short but impressive season. They had a first place win over the J.V. team from Onsted, at Onsted, and a second place finish at Gibraltar Carlson where they competed against five other teams.

Varsity Volleyball

The 1995-1996 varsity volleyball team had a tough season. With only two returning seniors, the team had to look to the underclassmen for assistance.

"Although there was some tension on the team in the beginning, in the end we really pulled together and had some fun." said junior MVP Sarah Munoz.

J.V. Volleyball

Taking second place in both the Hudson and Columbia Central Volleyball tournaments, the 1995-1996 Royal J.V. Volleyball team not only had a fun season, but a successful one as well. The team finished the season with a 9-16 record.

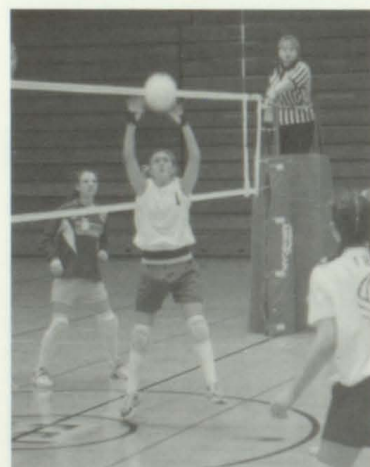
Wrestling

The 1995-1996 Royal grapplers had a tough season, ending the year with a 6-9 record and a sixth place finish in the LCAA standings. How-



Above: Varsity member Kyle VanSchoyke shows his hooping strengths as he scores two more points for the royals.

Below: Junior Mandy Jensen spikes the ball over the net past her oponents and is successful in scoring a point for the team.



Above: Renee Porter fakes out the Onsted players and sets it over to Melonie Fritz.

Winter Stats

H O

Varsity Basketball

Jefferson	59	64
Erie-Mason	63	45
Morenci	70	69
Ida	47	49
Hudson	69	40
Dundee	78	67
Onsted	59	62
Columbia Central	54	81
Clinton	75	63
Erie-Mason	82	35
Columbia Central	52	62
Jackson Northwest	58	69
Ida	51	45
Hudson	56	58
Morenci	77	52
Dundee	80	58
Summerfield	66	48
Onsted	61	48
Jackson Northwest	62	60
Clinton	75	58

Wrestling

Morenci	33	35
Dexter	26	52
Ida	30	40
Bronson	45	36
Milan	54	21
Willow Run	42	36
Techumseh	39	37
Ida	29	45
Onsted	36	46
Clinton	21	42
Dundee	03	73
Hudson	25	48
Erie Mason	53	28
Morenci	53	28
Clinton	36	41



Varsity Competitive Cheer

Clinton	1st
Ida Invitational	1st
Onsted	2nd
Gib-Carson	1st
Ida	1st
LCAA Jamboree	1st
League	2nd
Regional	1st
State Finals	2nd

Varsity Volleyball

	w-l-t
Morenci	0-1-0
Hudson Tourny	2-1-2
Erie Mason	1-0-0
Ida	0-1-0
Hudson	0-1-0
Clinton Tourny	1-1-2
Dundee	0-1-0
Onsted	0-1-0
Clinton	0-1-0
Erie Mason	0-1-0
Ida	0-1-0
Hudson	1-0-0
Columbia Central	2-2-0
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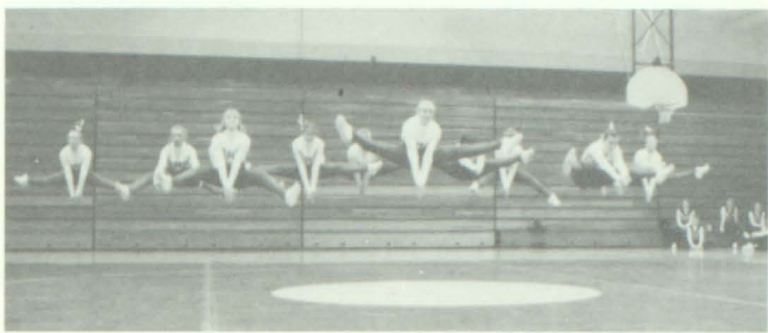


Above: Freshman Mike Cory shoots a foul shot at a home game against Erie Mason. Left: Ben Marks looks down the court and makes a long pass to a fellow royal.

ever, Coach Kip O'Leary saw the season end on a high note as three Royal mat-men advanced to the state level of competition in Kalamazoo. Although seniors Nick Sharp (135lbs) and Micah Risher (Heavy Weight) came home empty-handed, sophomore MVP Reggie Robinson brought back a 4th place showing. Receiving the coaches award and the leadership award were Mike Karg and Nick Sharp respectively.



Above: Steve Marks Takes an outside three point shot and swishes it



Above: The lady royals get a chance to show off a little with their marvalous jumps.



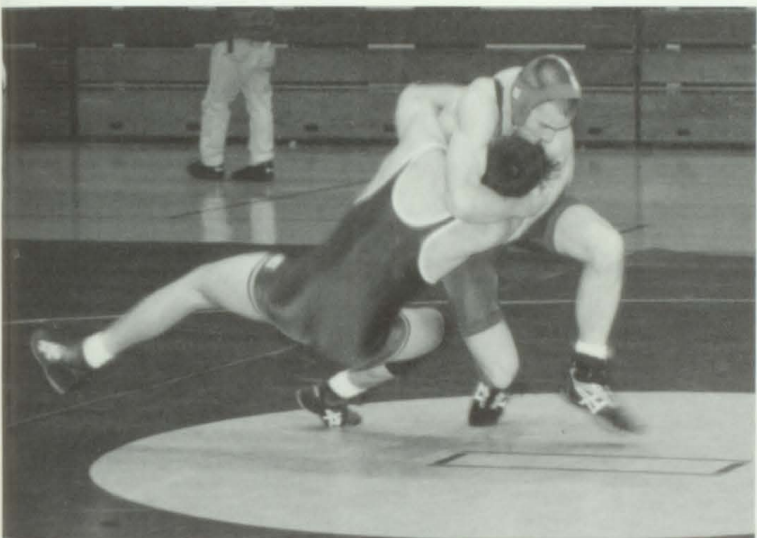
Above: Jenny Marks passes the ball over to Amanda Heiden who blasts it over the net.



Above: Alone Kyle VanSchoyke practices his outside shot before one of his games. It doesn't seem like he can get enough of the game.



Above: Freshman Levi Stoker powers his way through the defense and shoots the ball up for a two point basket.



Above: Senior Shad Sellick demonstrates his strength as he shows his opponnet no mercy by throwing him to the mat.



Above: In the background Coach Barrus gives his girls a few words of encouragement before he sends them back onto the court.



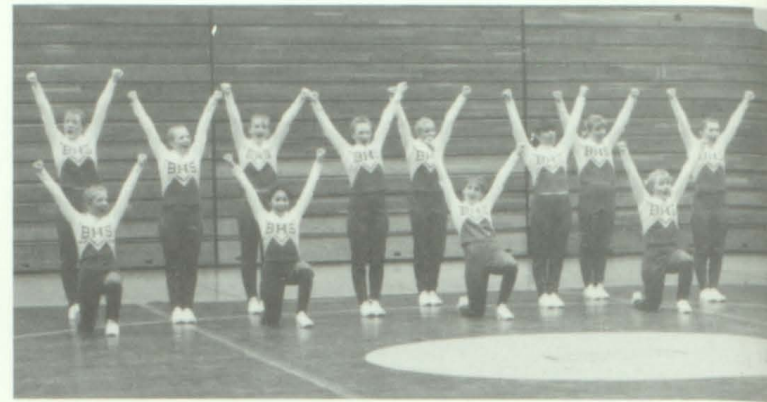
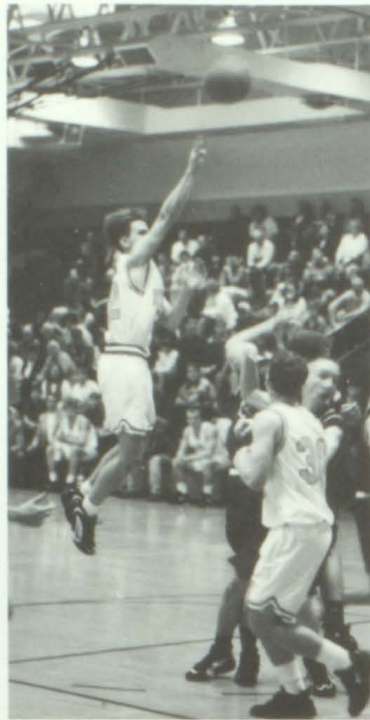
Left: Junior Sarah Munoz fakes out the blocker and blasts the volleyball to the opposite side of the court.



Left: Sophomore Nate Loar gets a chance to show what he can do at the free throw line.

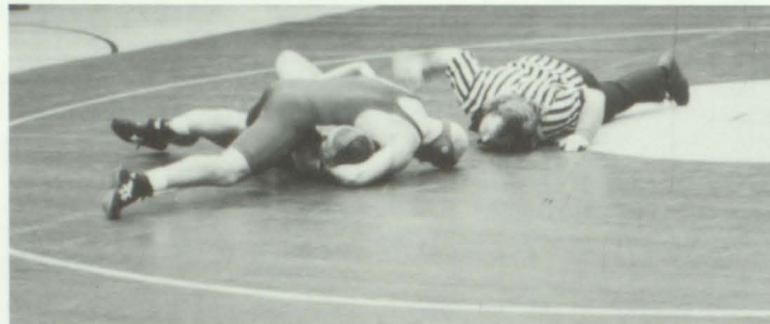


Above: Freshman Brooke Cranor takes control as she bumps the ball to one of her teammates.



Above: The varsity cheer team begins their routine with enthusiasm and pride.

Left: Nate Loar is left wide open and goes for a jumpshot. He swishes it into the hoop.



Above: Senior Marc Viers uses his strength and skill to pin his opponent before the time runs out.



Above: Jason Bradshaw uses his speed to get to the other end of the court and lays in an easy two.



Above: The two freshmen of the team take control of this play as Kilee set the ball over to Stacy who is ready to send the ball back to the Ida team.



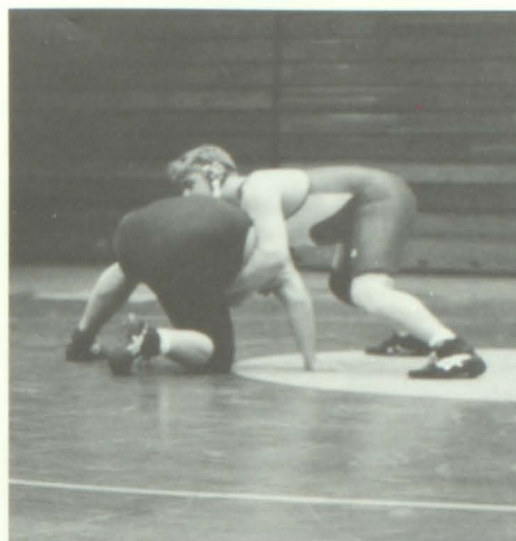
Above: Freshman Laura Mitchell powers the ball over the net on one of her strong serves.



Above: The competitive cheer team show their stuff and hides their feelings after going through a flawless floormount routine.



Above: The the crowd goes wild as the two seniors lead their team out to the court to do their warm ups.



Left: Micah Risher, who wrestles heavy weight, tries to get his opponent down by using one of his special moves. Micah was one of the royals who made it to the state meet.

WINTER MVP's



Varsity Basketball

MVP: The Team. Accepting the award is Billy Weirich, and Lon Smith.

Quote: "The season was a great success. Everyone worked hard, and played well together and we turned out a great season."



Varsity Competitive Cheer

MVP: Melissa Porter

Quote: "I Couldn't have been MVP without the team. We worked really hard this year."



Varsity Volleyball

MVP: Sarah Munoz

Quote: "Although there was some tention on the team in the beginning, in the end we really pulled together and had some fun."



Varsity Wrestling

MVP: Reggie Robinson

Quote: "The season was great to me and some others! Maybe next year I'll be state champ!"

Record: 38-6

Number of Pins: 26

Varstiy Basketball



Freshmen Basketball



Varsity Basketball-Front Row: A. Porter, K. Vanschoyck, N. Loar, G. Wells, and C. Cranor. Second Row: C. Koppelman, T. Lubiniski, B. Phillips, A. Fay, B. Koppelman, and C. Porter. Back Row: Coach Vandecaveye, N. Terry, N. Bates, L. Smith, and B. Weirich. **Freshman Basketball**-Front Row: T. Kudlac, M. Cory, J. Porter, and R. Betz. Second Row: B. Mainka, J. Casterline, A. Langmeyer, M. Vance, and B. Collins. Back Row: L. Stoker, E. Eisenmann, S. Pyle, J. Hackathorn, and Coach Noel.



J.V. Basketball

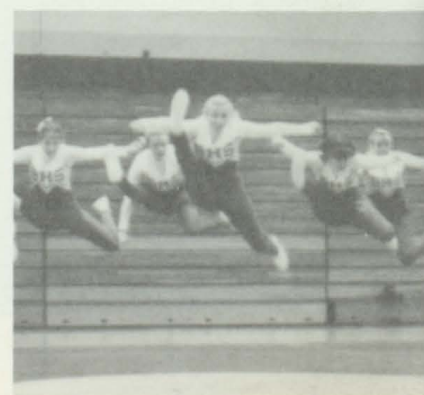


Varstiy Competitive Cheer



J.V. Basketball- Front Row: N. Sheldon, J. Thompson, and R. Freer. Second Row: J. Graf, H. Ickler, N. Fisher, S. Marks, and J. Bradshaw. Back Row: Coach Thompson, B. Marks, Brent Stutzman, R. Andrews, and Brian Stutzman. **Varsity Competitive Cheer**-Front Row: E. Eff, M. Wahl, B. Martinez, and M. Taylor. Second Row: M. Betz, T. Isley, L. Diebel, and K. Forgacs. Back Row: G. Pagel, J. Weirich, E. Sell, E. Koester, and M. Porter.

Left: Lance Miller volunteers his time as he helps keep score for the volleyball game. Right: Melissa Porter Eryn Eff, Marcy Betz, and Emily Sell do a hurky jump during one of their routines. That's what you call having the ups and the flexibility.



J.V. Competitive Cheer



J.V. Volleyball



J.V. Competitive Cheer: Front Row: S. Kitson, L. Frye, S. Kerekgyaarto, A. Davis, and J. Jean. Second Row: S. Piotter-Anderson, J. Streby, L. Lake, K. Brown, and Coach Fetzer. **J.V. Volleyball:** Front Row: J. Leking, H. Brockway, L. Mitchell, H. Burgermeister, and H. Bowen. Back Row: B. Berry, B. Cranor, A. Emmerson, K. Gill, K. Moore, M. Benko, M. Fritz, and Coach Potter.

Varsity Volleyball



Wrestling



Varsity Volleyball: Front Row: J. Filipek, N. Gutierrez, D. Stearns, J. Marks, and M. Jensen. Back Row: Coach Barrus, A. Heiden, S. Munoz, A. Koppelman, K. Goetz, and S. Barrett. **Wrestling:** Front Row: N. Furgason, C. Jacobson, M. Gunter, N. Sharp, K. McHenery, J. Marolatt, J. Beagle, and J. Burtle. Second Row: D. Robinson, W. Thompson, T. VanCamp, S. Sellick, R. Robinson, S. Risher, and J. Marchal. Third Row: M. Karg, M. Risher, K. Cheney, M. Saxton, M. Viers, and R. Robinson. Back Row: Coach O'Leary, and S. Clark.



Left: Jason Bradshaw shows control as he dribbles and waits for his team members get setup for the play. Right: Becky Martinez, Melissa Porter, and Marcy Betz do some stretching before they get the crowd fired up.





King candidate Nick Nieman is pulled by Jillian Redlinger, Rhonda VanSteenkiste, and Amy Tuttle. At the pep assembly, Mr. Herman and Mr. Noel danced to a song by Frank Sinatra. Molly Rose, Jenny Marks and Dan Crist pose with the senior float "Hammer the Vikings". Dan Crist stands with the float he built and pulled for Billy Weirich. Chris Loar and Steve Hicks are shown before the crowning of the king. Darren Sayler and Emmy Jo Koester pull candidate Seth Gebbert.



Coming Home '96 "Olympic Events"

Opposite Sex Pin Day
Seniors

Winter Olympics Day
Sophomores

Heart for Royals Day
Seniors

Summer Olympics Day
Sophomores

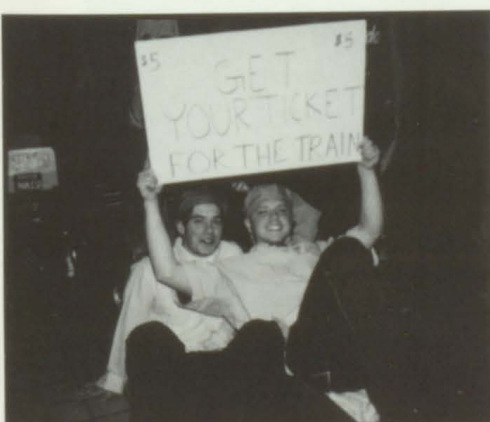
Royal Pride Day
Sophomores

Spirit Week Winners
Sophomores

Winning Float
Sophomores

"Knock out the Vikings"

The Coming Home festivities continued into the night with the king candidate parade. Candidates were Pete Baker, Seth Gebbert, Steve Hicks, Nick Nieman, and Billy Weirich.



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Top Left: Junior Class Officers- Vice President, Melissa Porter; President, Amanda Jensen; Representative, Alison Prielipp; Treasurer, Jill Weirich; Representative Tina Bergman; Missing from photo, Secretary, Cindy Case.

Top Right: Melissa Porter was one of the many juniors that made the prom complete. From the trolley that picked up guests at their cars to the search light in front and the unrolling 8 foot high movie reel inside, the atmosphere of a special theatrical showing of the Wizard of Oz was created.

Bottom Left: Junior Class Advisor Mrs. Brown helps to make the fruit sale a success.

Bottom Right: Junior Class Advisor Mr. Durbin caught off guard in his office.

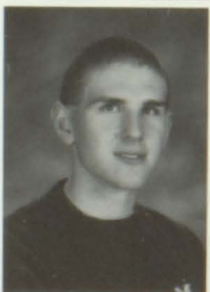
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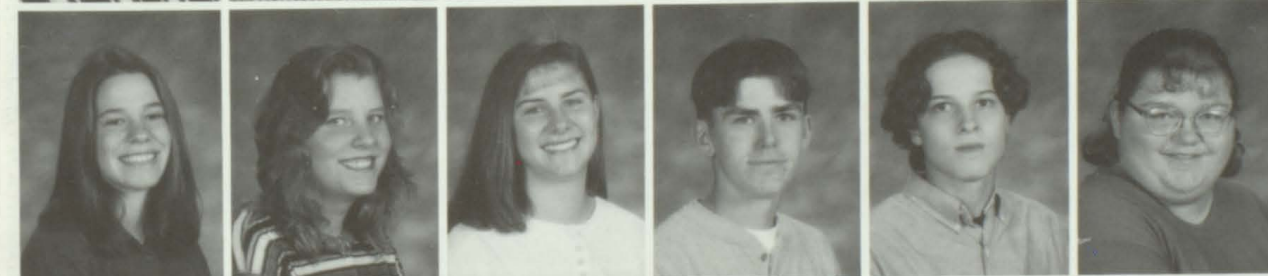
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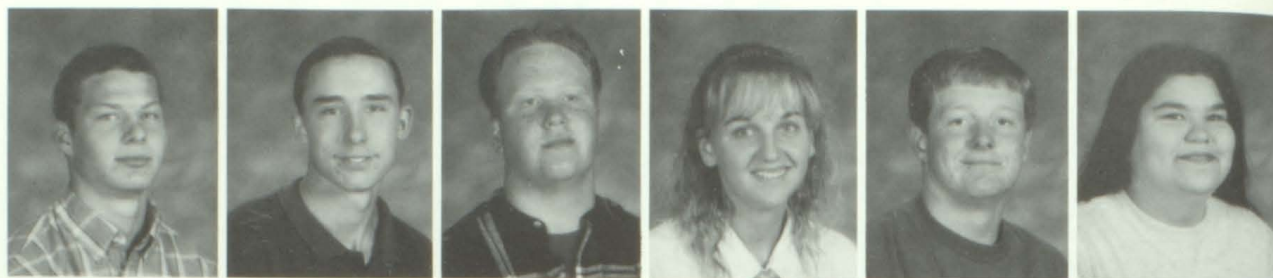


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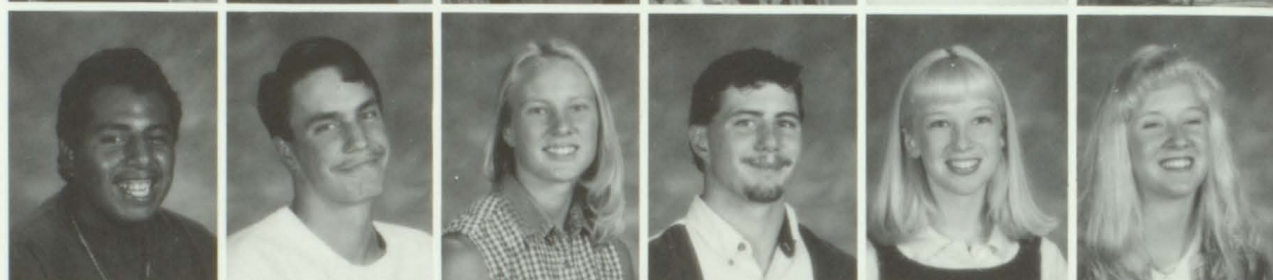
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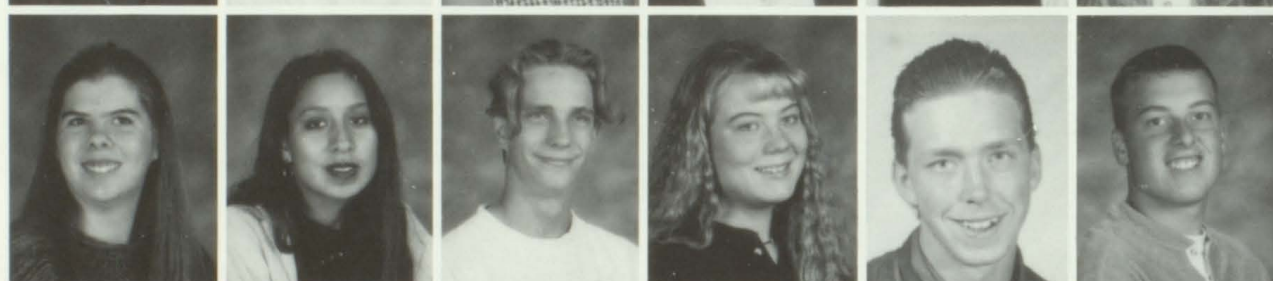
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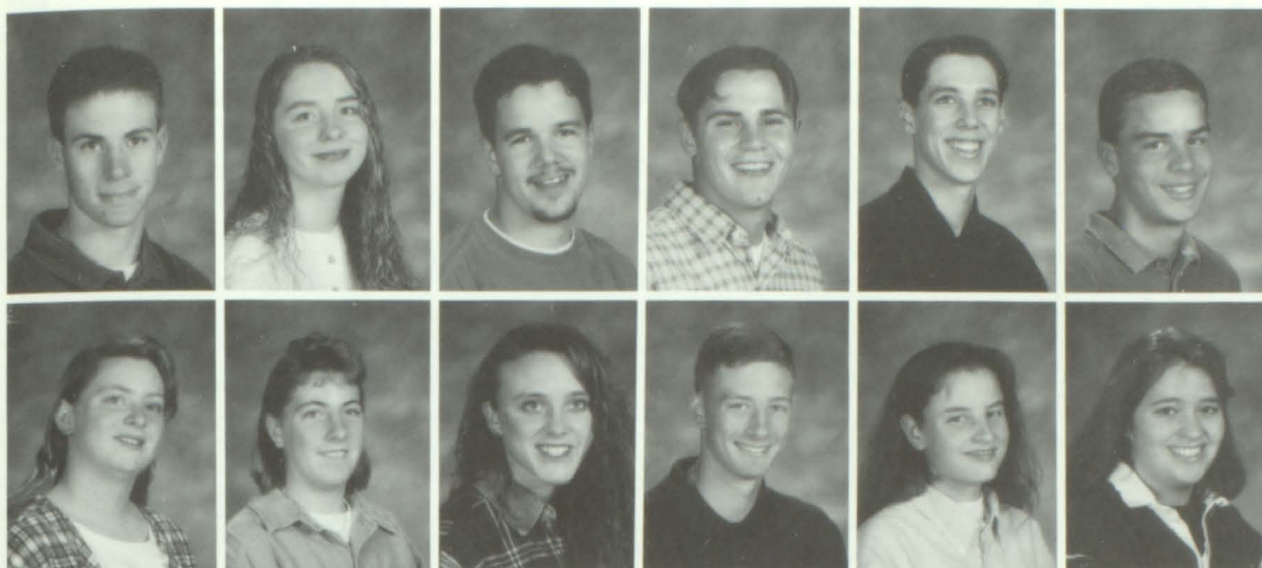
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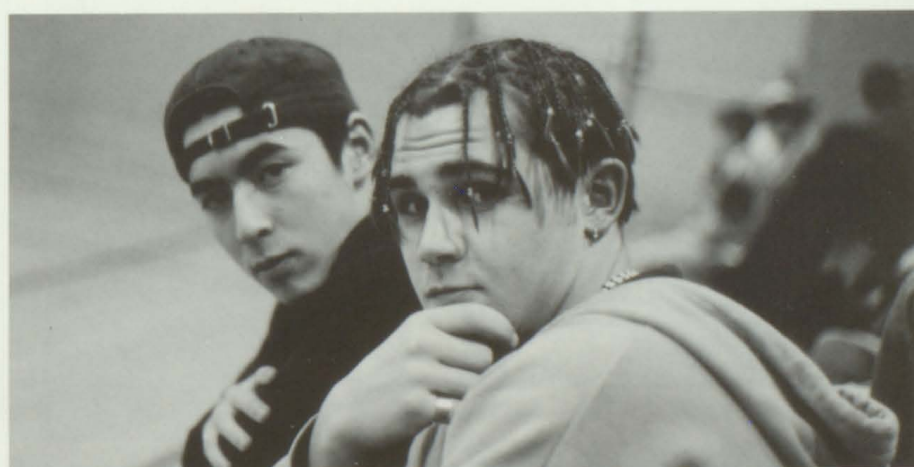
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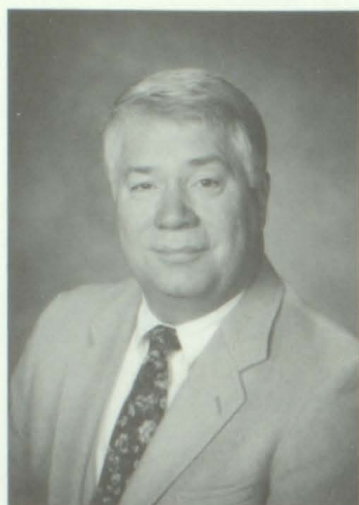
Far Left: Charlie Jacobson poses for a picture at homecoming float judging.
Top Middle: Catherine Navarro helps the junior class with fruit sales.
Top Right: Student Council Officer Shane Prielipp relaxing during mid-morning break.
Bottom Right: Ryan VanLooke and Robert Ball at the basketball game.



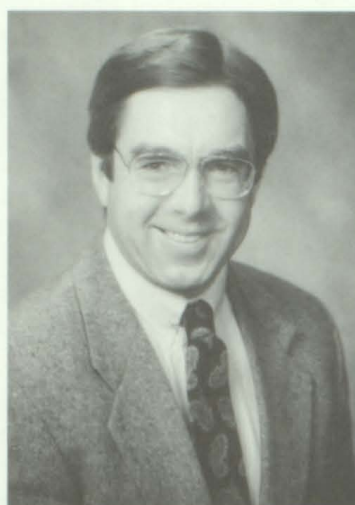
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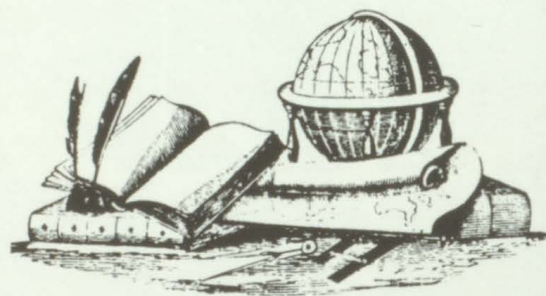
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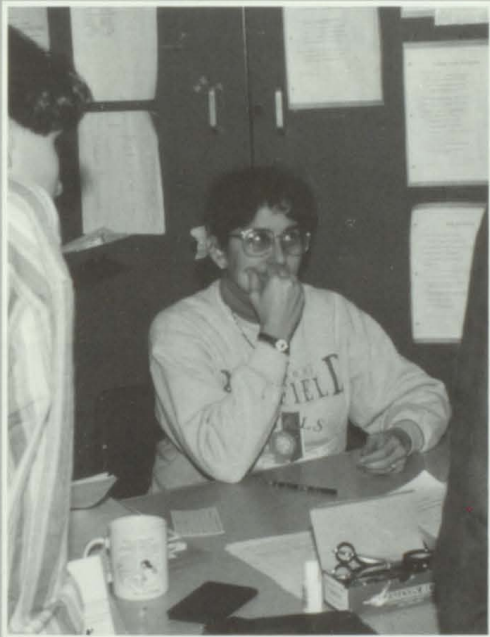


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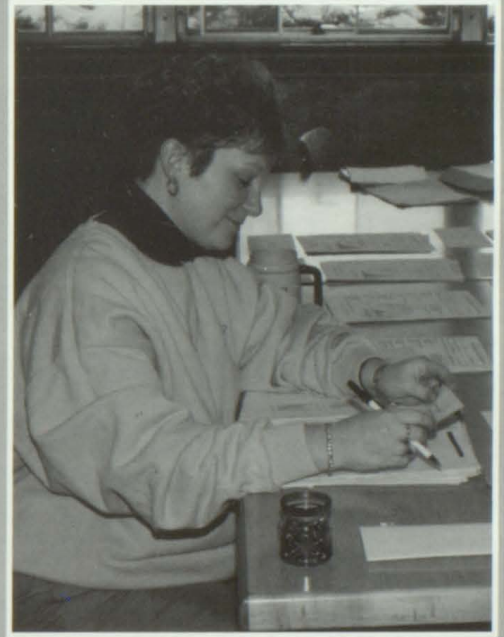
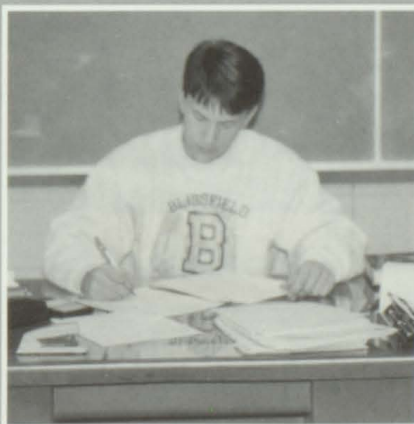


Administration in Action...



Above: Mr. Thompson dries off after being soaked with water during spirit week.

Bottom Right: Mr Noel quietly grades Physics exams.

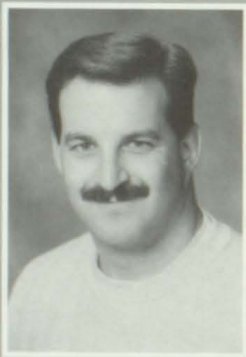


Above: Mrs. Horky prepares to send out test results to parents.

Top Left: Mrs. Isley thoughtfully listens to a student's question.



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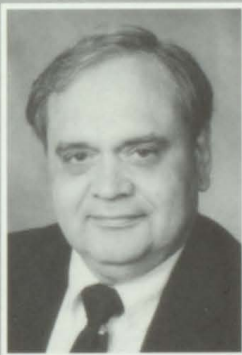
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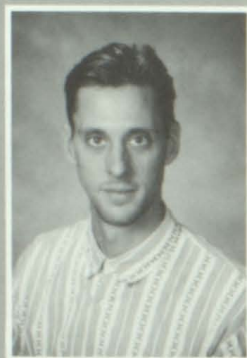


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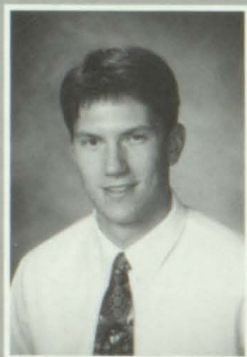
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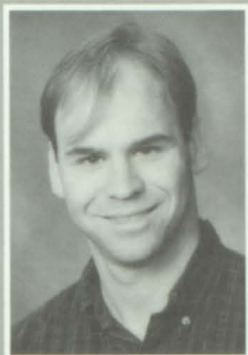
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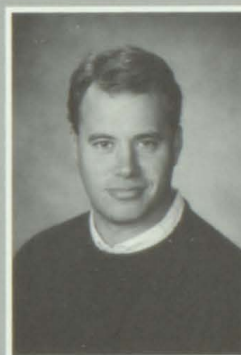


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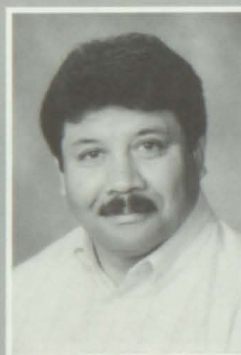
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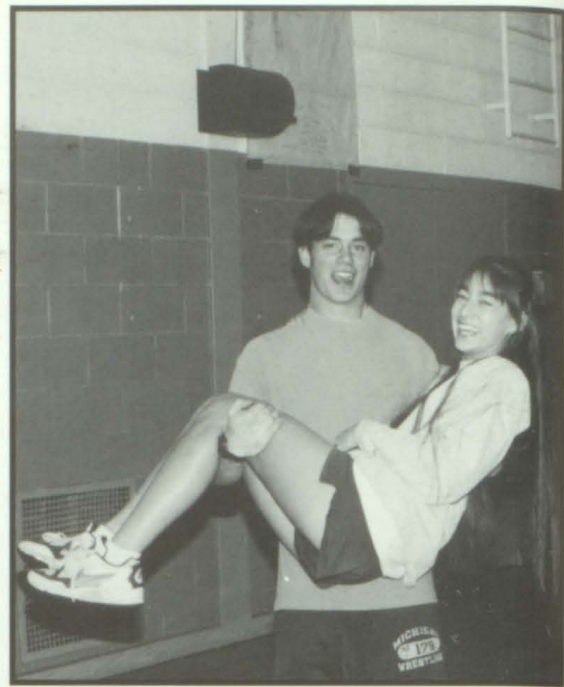
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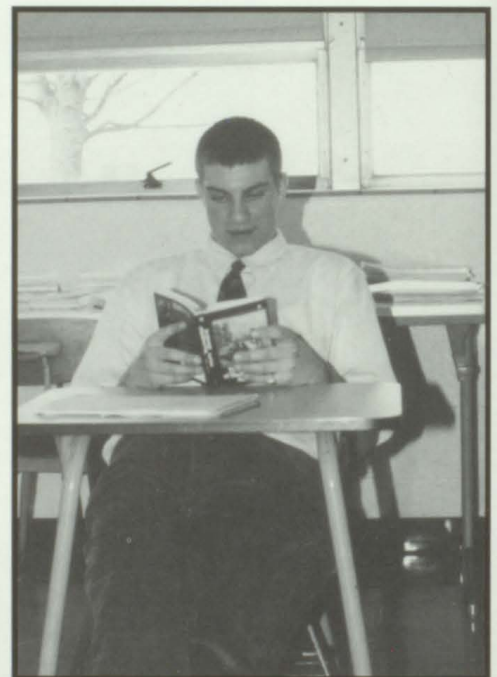
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In The Class is what school is all about, activities that take place in the classroom. In The Class is where lifelong skills are developed. These are activities like the freshman's geography awareness day. In The Class is where you expand your mind. You learn of distant lands, fine arts, complicated math problems and other skills. Without classroom there would be no band, no sports or any other extracurricular activities. In The Class is where friends are seen, and their different views and backgrounds. Activities such as Anatomy's heart dissection all take part in the class. In The Class is what it's all about.



Above: Chris Loar escorts Melinda Ball to her seat during gym class. **Left:** Kris VanWagner, Jeremy Villegas, Kevin McHenry, and Jason Hejl chat during psychology class. **Bottom Left:** Jenny White, Melissa Porter, Andrea Stutzman, Cris Rupp, and Jamie Eisenmann all take a break inbetween classes and pose for a group picture. **Below:** Justin Thompson concentrates on his book during his English 10 class.



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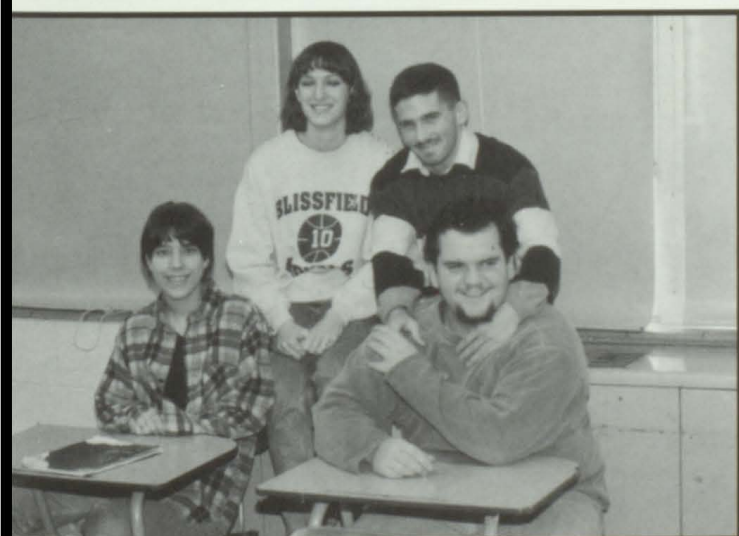
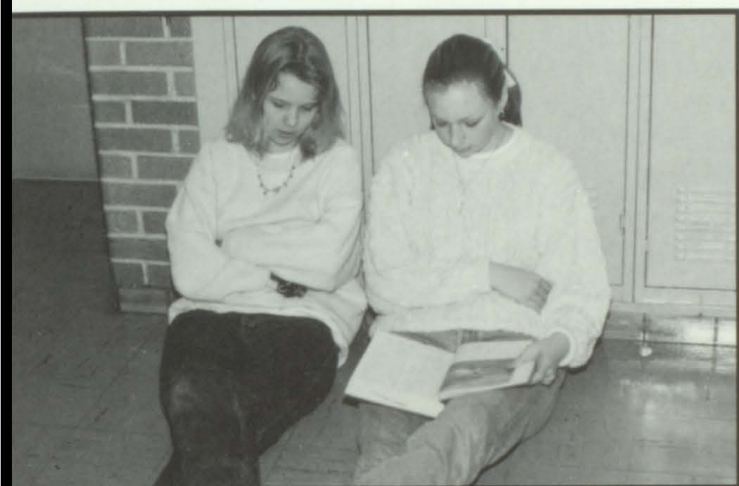
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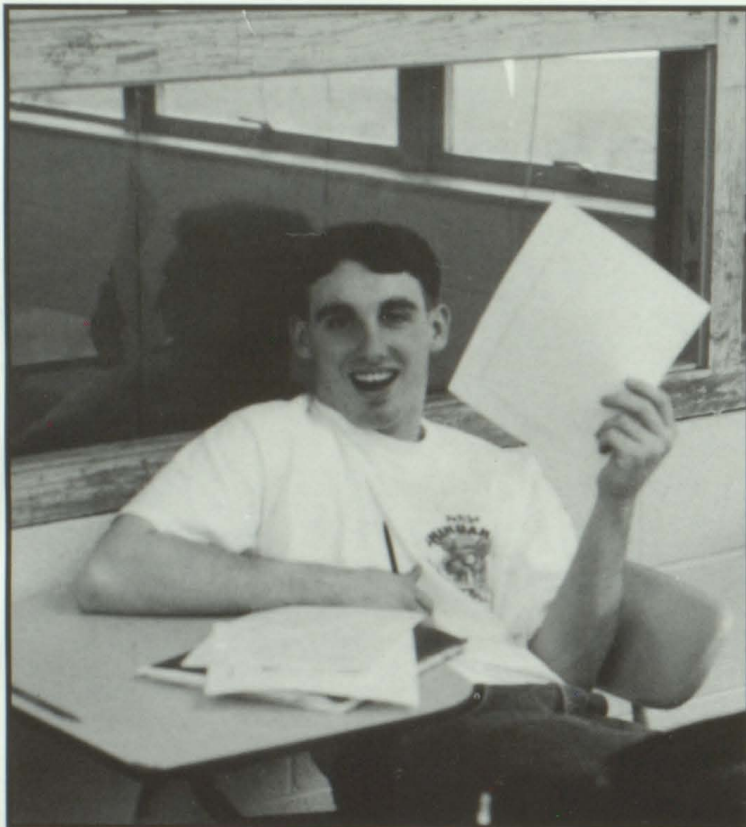
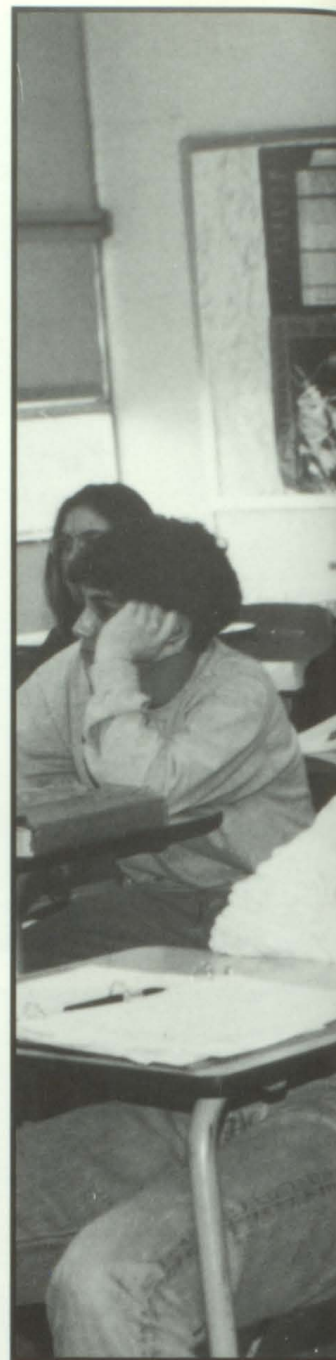
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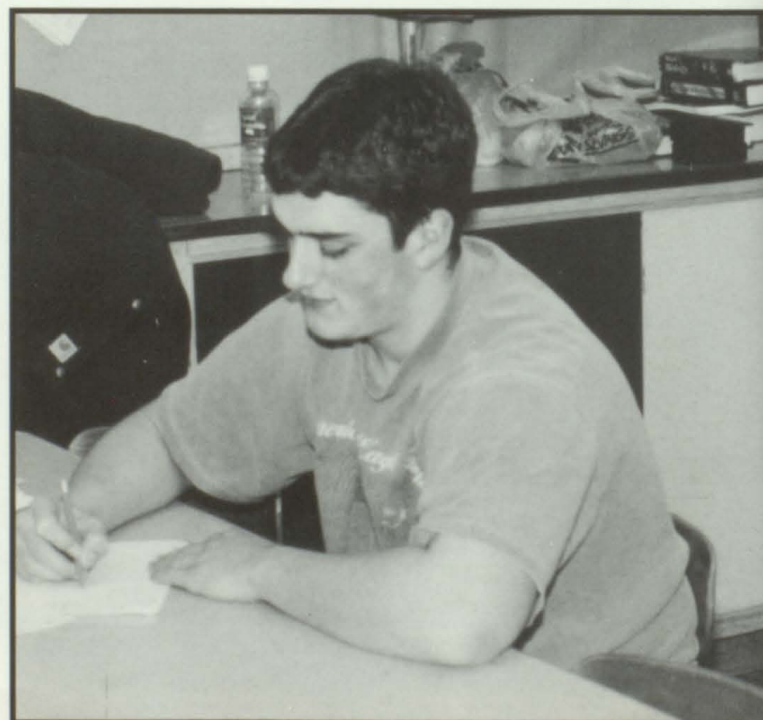


Top left: Mr. Clark's AP English class studies hard before a quiz.
Left: Cori Goetz and Kilee Goetz work together in the hallway.
Below: Melissa Porter and Amanda Jensen turn and pose for a picture during band class.
Bottom left: Danelle Sayers, Ken Ifland, Shannon Darm, and Abbie Koppleman during Spanish.
Bottom right: Mike Gunter and Josh Miller beat on the drums during band.





Top: Marcy Betz and Shannon Darm pose for a picture while they wait in the lunch line. **Left:** Billy Weirich doing his Spanish homework. **Bottom left:** Mrs. Wright's 6th hour psychology class pays close attention during a lecture. **Below:** Jerrod O'Brien works quietly on his English homework during VIP.





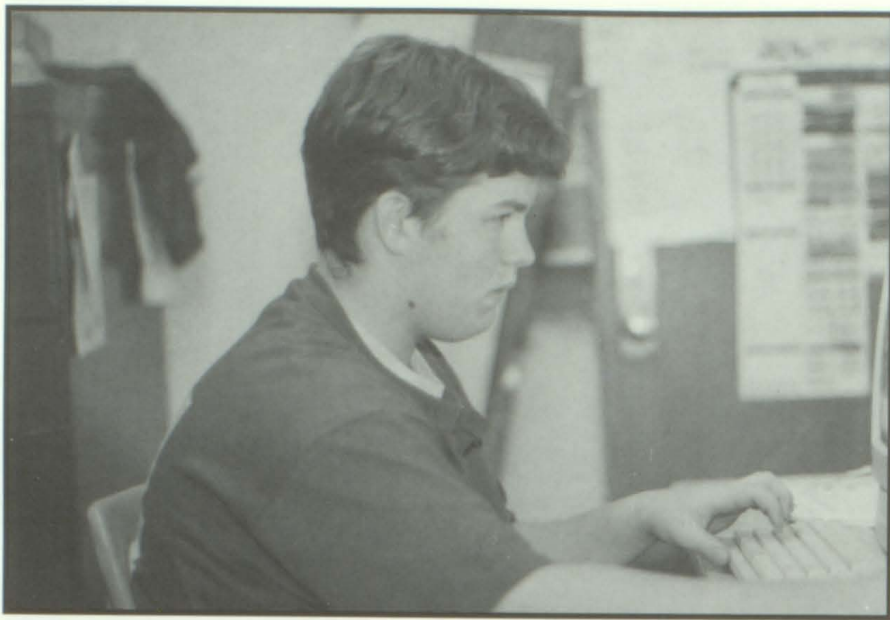
Above: Mr. Smith's geometry class pays attention and takes notes. **Far left:** Ben Jewell works on some jewelry during his art class. **Left:** Rose Pavlovic studies for a calculus test in the CCC.

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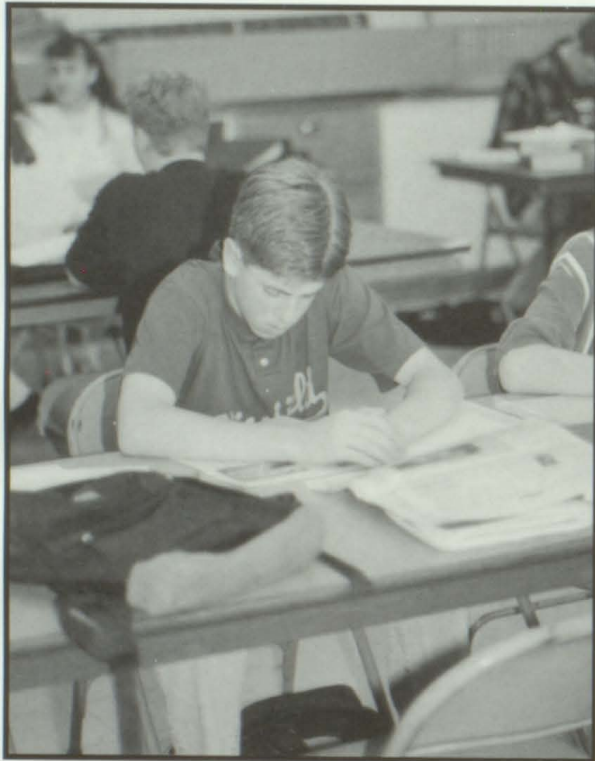
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IN THE CLASS



Top left: Levi Stoker works on his newspaper project for English. **Top right:** Kyle VanSchoyck working hard during his aid hour. **Far left:** Jacob Rye looks over his notes. **Left:** Margret Carrico paints during art. **Bottom left:** Mr. Noel's physics class works hard at an assignment they were given during class. **Below:** Ken Iffland, and Ian Fay waiting patiently at the drinking fountain.



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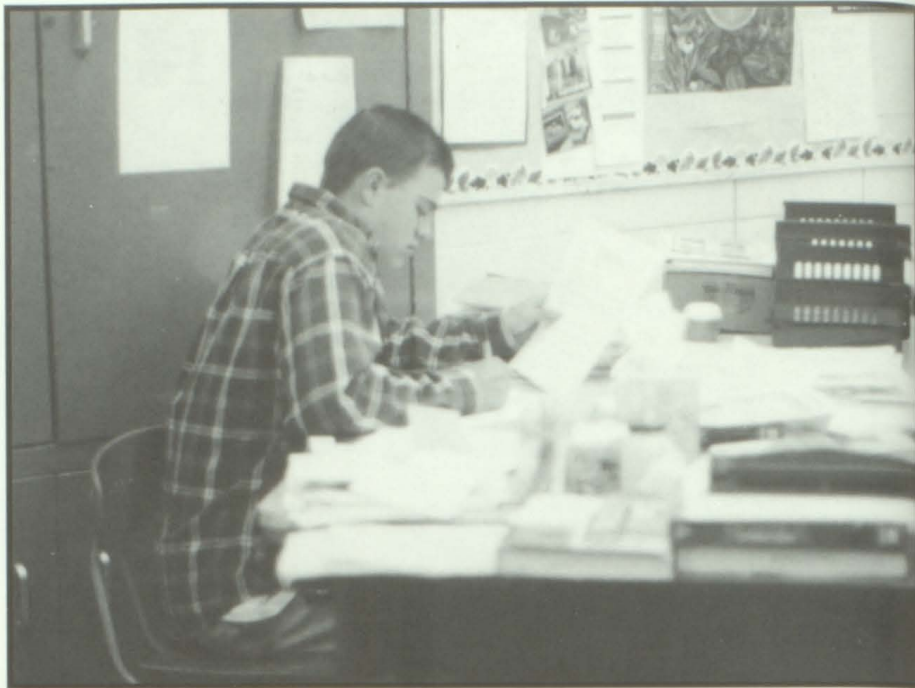
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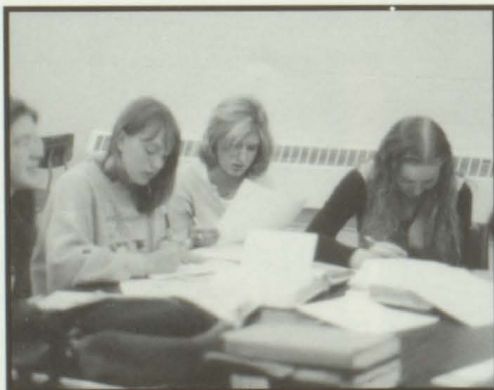
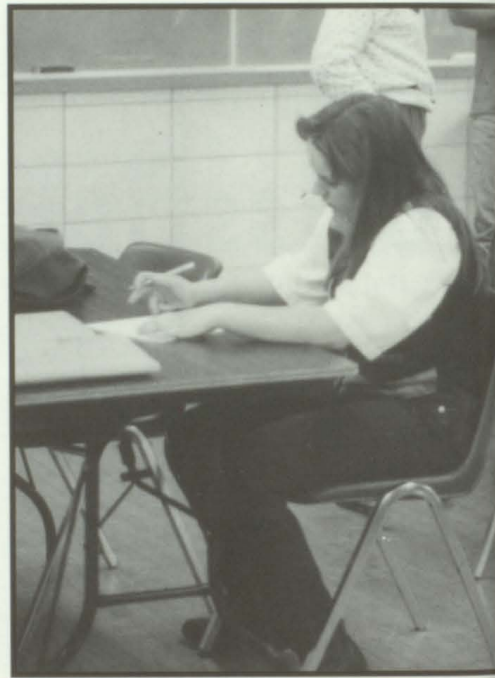
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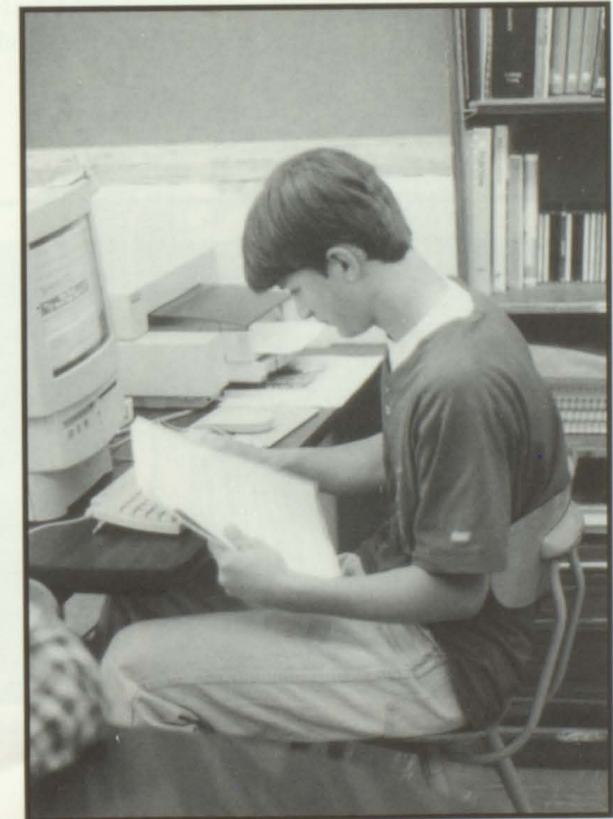
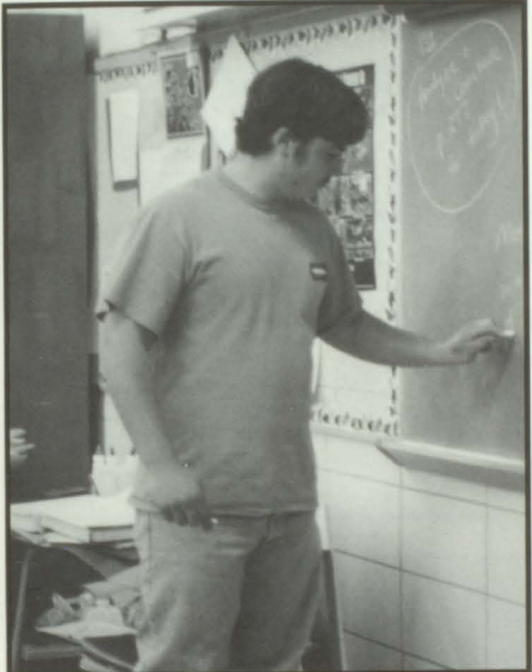


Top left: Luke Mazor sculps a clay pot during his ceramics class. **Above:** Brian Stutzman takes attendance during his aide hour. **Middle left:** Nick Nieman, Ryan VanLooke and Robert Ball work hard on their rings during their jewelry class. **Middle right:** Brandi Goetz works on an assignment in class. **Bottom left:** Mrs. Isley's class pets a baby alligator. **Bottom middle:** Mrs. Isley's freshman work hard on a big assignment. **Bottom right:** Nick Sheldon and Nick Bates study in VIP.

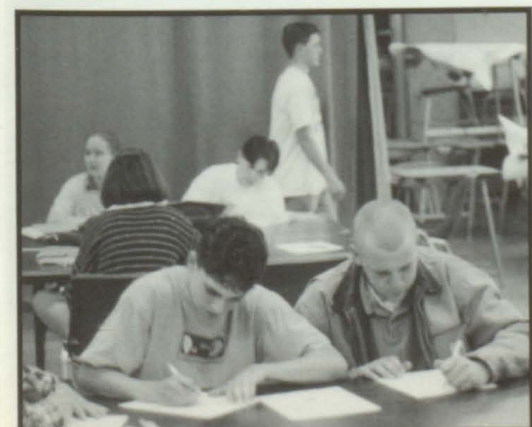




Above: Mrs. Elaine Webb, the media center specialist, works on material for the vertical file with some students. The center has now become more than just a library - it has become a place to go on the internet, and also a place to edit video tapes in the video lab.



Top: Brad Collins and Teddy Goetz work silently on an assignment in Mrs. Miller-Ayers class. **Above:** Matt Kwaitkowski rewrites his french notes. **Far left:** Max Pixley writes notes on the board for Mrs. Isely during his freshman science class. **Bottom left:** Brad Fritz and Josh Allshouse work together on a class assignment. **Bottom:** Adam LaTour looks over some notes and surfs the net at the same time.



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Above: Cooks prepare lunch for hungry kids.



Above: Janitors work long after school to keep it nice and clean.



Above: Mrs. Horky and Mrs. Koester prepare salads for an awards banquet.



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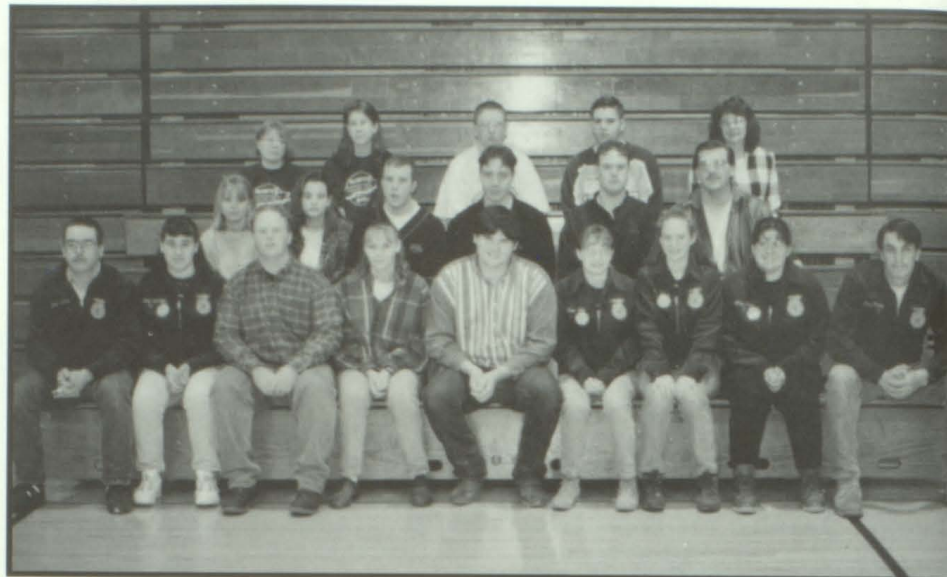
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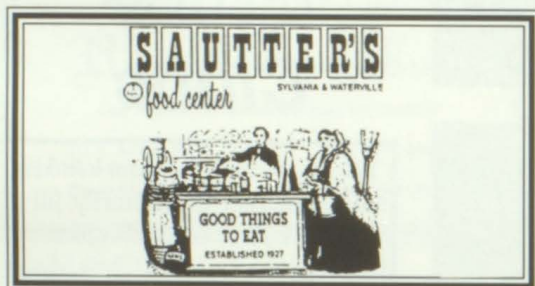
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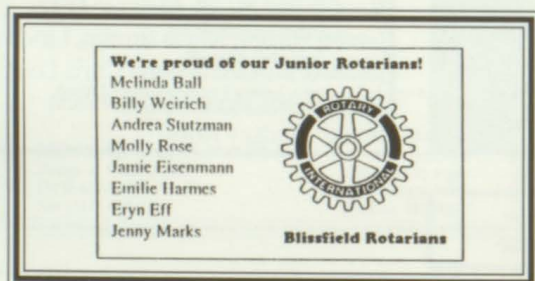
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Far Left: Junior Charlie Jacobson waits patiently at the Winner's Circle Banquet to set the tray of dessert down. **Left:** Winner's Circle students ride the float during the homecoming parade.



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Spring Sports



Above: Sophomore Nick Sheldon shows his determination and speed as he runs his 100 hurdle prelims at the Regional meet.



Above: Junior Techia Vore rounds the bases with enthusiasm after she smashes the ball out toward the fence. Left: Amanda Emmerson, a sophomore shotputter, puts all her effort into her final throw at the Regional meet. It qualified her for the finals.

Varsity Baseball

The varsity baseball team looked at the 1996 season with great expectations and very high goals. Fortunately, they went into the season ready to meet those goals. The highlight of their season came during the Blissfield Invitational when the Royals downed the number one ranked class B school, Detroit Country Day, and went on to capture it's first of three tourney championships (Blissfield Invitational, Schwin Invitational, and the Adrian Invitational.) The royal sluggers secured their third



Above: Freshman Jamie Gallatin pitches one of her fastballs during the varsity game against Evergreen.

straight LCAA title and were very pleased with that .

J.V. Baseball

The J.V. baseball team had an up and down season. They would win a couple of big games and then a couple of games would slip between their fingers. But overall they did a good job this season. They all got along, had a lot of fun, and a lot of laughs which is always a plus for a team.

Freshman Baseball

This year's freshman baseball team hasn't faired too well this year record wise, but they played with the heart and the enthusiasm of champions. The freshman ended the season with a - record, and were coached by Steve Babbitt.

Varsity Softball

The B.H.S. varsity softball team had a great season albeit the five lonely tally marks in the win column. With only three returning seniors, Eryn Eff (center field), Emilie Harmes (1st



Above: Freshman pitcher Mike Cory pitches at one of the J.V. baseball games. Tim Kudlac is in the background ready for anything that comes his way, but Mike is successful in striking the batter out.



Above: Sophomore Justin Thompson stands ready for anything that happens to fly his way.



Above: Senior catcher Billy Weirich positioned behind the batter just misses the foul ball that was just hit.



Above: Senior player Todd Bowen hits the ball out to outfield making it to third base.



Above: Matt Wittscheck slides into to home plate while accidentally running into the catcher.



Above: Senior Lance Miller, a four year ball player, has his playing style set. He just takes it easy, then bunts the ball and takes off toward first base.



Left: First baseman Neil Terry sweeps down to tag the base stealer out but the call is safe. Right: The J.V. players were coached well. Just slide into second base before the ball is caught.



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Varsity Baseball

Airport	6-0, 14-4
Adrian	12-1, 12-9
Tecumseh	10-6, 6-9
Jackson	6-2
Erie Mason	11-1
Blissfield Inv.	1st Place
Ida	8-7
Dundee	7-8
Monroe Jefferson	
Inv.	3rd Place
Hudson	9-0
Onsted	4-0
Schwyn Inv.	1st Place
Clinton	3-2
Erie Mason	14-0
Ida	7-3
Airport Inv.	4th Place
Dundee	7-8
Hudson	3-0
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Onsted	9-0
Clinton	9-2
Pre-District	11-1
MVP	Todd Bowen

Girls Track

Morenci	cancelled
Sandcreek	128-24
Erie Mason	114-14
Grass Lake	1st place
Ida	92.5-35.5
East Jackson	1st place
Hudson	127 1
Dundee	112-16
Flat Rock Inv.	1st place
Onsted	83-45
Clinton	cancelled
Regionals	1st place
LCAA	1st place
MVP	Andrea Stutzman

Spring Sports

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Varsity Softball

Morenci	3-12, 2-7
Tecumseh	cancelled
Erie Mason	4-12
Ida	cancelled
Whiteford	1-3
Dundee	10-5
Milan	8-10, 4-13
Hudson	7-13
Onsted	5-3
Clinton	0-10
Erie Mason	0-6
Ida	2-5, 3-9
Monroe CC	cancelled
Dundee	8-17
Evergreen	27-22
Milan	cancelled
Hudson	7-6
Onsted	13-10
Clinton	4-19
MVP	Amy Tuttle

Boys Track

Morenci	cancelled
Sand Creek	win
Erie Mason	win
Grass Lake	1st Place
Ida	loss
East Jackson	1st Place
Hudson	69-68
Dundee	win
Flat Rock Inv.	2nd Place
Onsted	win
Clinton	39-19
Regionals	3rd Place
LCAA	1st place
MVP	Robert Ball
Kohler-Bliesner Senior	
Girl Athlete:	
Jenny Marks	
Burgermeister Senior	
Boy Athlete:	
Billy Weirich	
Lisa Taylor Award:	
Lon Smith,	
Andrea Stutzman	



Top: Steve Hicks demonstrates his ability in the discus at one of the meets, and picks up another first place. Above: The J.V. Baseball team shows some spirit, and team support as they come out to congratulate Nick Bates on a play well done.

base), and Amy Tuttle (3rd base), the team welcomed freshman Beth Berry (Catcher), Lindsey Lake (pitcher), Jennifer Leking (2nd base), as well as sophomore Kelly Gill (out-field). Also putting in his debut appearance with the Lady Royals was head coach Brian Barrus. Co-Captains Amy Tuttle and Techia Vore led the team in a fun and exciting season.

J.V. Softball

The J.V. softball team completed a very successful season with a 10-5 record. They were coached by Mr. Neil

Heiden who completed his fifth year as head coach. The J.V. Royals were second in the league and placed fifth at the Ida Invitational.

Boys' Track

The boys' track team captains this year were Juniors, Robert Ball and Biran Mitchell, and Senior Shannon Darm. Their track season started out a little shakey this year. They had lots of participation in the beginning but there were lots of injuries which caused a weakness in the sprinting team. Brian Mitchell was out for part of the season with a bad



Above: Melonnie Furgason, a junior distance runner, strides along trying to catch the Ida runner ahead of her while trying to break the runner behind her.



Left: Lon Smith, first year high school track runner, sprints across the finish line for a first place finish against Ida. Below: Freshman ball player Levi Stoker gets into his stance as catcher, ready for anything.

leg, Jason Bradshaw with a bad ankle, and Shannon Darm with a broken nose. Fortunately, they all got better and aided the Royals in the end of the season. They only lost one meet against Ida, and won the League Championship. They had three individual state qualifiers, and a state qualifying mile relay team. Their spirit and enthusiasm helped them to stick together through the tough times as well as when they were winning.

Right: Short stop Techia Vore scoops up the ball and sends it over to third base to get a third out for the team.



Girls' Track

The girls' track team had a great season this year. Their four senior captains were Andrea Stutzman, Jamie Eisenmann, Abbie Koppelman, and Melinda Ball. With seven returning seniors there was lots of leadership for the underclass-



Above: She makes it look so easy! Senior Abbie Koppelman just floats over the bar at the height of 4ft 10in.



Above: Junior pitcher Mike Newsted gets a little curve on the ball to give the Royal Sluggers a second out for the day.

men. The team came together right from the beginning of the season which was a big plus. They went undefeated this year in dual meets, took first in the Grass Lake Invitational, East Jackson Invitational, and the Flat Rock Invitational. The girls won Regionals, won League, and had ten state qualifiers. At the DTI meet the girls did very well receiving five county championship titles. They started the season strong and finished with a bang.



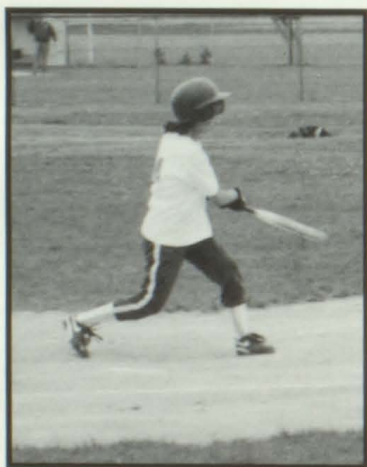
Above: Sophomore runner Brent Stutzman leads the group around the bend toward the finish.



Above: Ryan VanLoocke attempts to clear his head of all distractions as he prepares himself for the upcoming 100 hurdle race prelims.



Above: Sophomore Brad Phillips, first baseman, out on the field just before the game working on his catching and throwing skills.



Top: Lon Smith concentrates before one of his puts, for his field event shot put. Above: J.V. softball player Amanda Escobedo swings and hits the ball toward left field.



Above: Senior captain Shannon Darm goes all out in the 100 dash prelims at Regionals.



Above: Junior MVP Robert Ball shows his sprinting ability as he races down the back stretch of the 200 prelims at Regionals. He ended up being Regional Champion in the 200.



Left: Freshman first base person Melinda Kendall catches the ball for an easy first out against Evergreen.

Below: Catcher Kerri Collins is ready for the pitch from Jamie Gallatin.



Left: Jenny Marks, in the blocks, takes off after the gun is fired during their home meet against Onsted. Right: Senior co-captain Amy Tuttle stands ready by third base for any balls that happen to come her way.



Above: Sophomore Jessica Streby takes off from the board at East Jackson. She worked hard at long jump this year improving tremendously throughout the season.



Above: Jamie Eisenmann, senior captain, clears her mind and focuses on her shot event.

Above: Senior Andrea Stutzman finishes up the two mile relay for a first place finish at Regionals and a new record. Below: Brent Stutzman takes the hand-off from Billy Thompson in the two mile relay.



Above: Shane Prelipp takes off after the hand-off for the second leg of the 880 relay.



Above: Junior Jill Weirich hits the ball with pride as she sends it straight down the field. That was a great hit that got her to first base.

Varsity Baseball



J.V. Baseball



Freshman Baseball



Varsity Softball



Varsity Baseball Front Row: C. Jacobson, G. Wells, A. Latour, B. Weirich, T. Bowen, L. Gritzmeyer, and R. Robinson. Second Row: Coach Heineman, R. Mallory, K. Cheney, N. Terry, T. Lubinski, B. Phillips, A. Fay, I. Fay, and Coach Masters. Back Row: Coach Herman, Coach Russo, C. Fetzer, M. Saxton, L. Miller, M. Newsted, S. Viers, T. Kudlac, J. Thompson, and Coach Tuttle. **Freshman Baseball** Front Row: T. Seeger, M. Kwiatkowski, J. Porter, and B. Fritz. Second Row: R. Freer, S. Pyle, A. Langmeyer, and J. Casterline. Back Row: Coach Babbitt, L. Stoker, M. Pixley, D. Robinson, T. Kudlac, and M. Cory.

J.V. Baseball Front Row: N. Wilson, L. Mazur, S. Marks, A. LaTour, and D. Loar. Second Row: K. LaVoy, N. Shrader, N. Fisher, B. Phillips, and A. Fay. Back Row: Coach Herman, M. Wittscheck, N. Loar, R. Andrews, R. Robinson, T. Cook, and S. Forche. **Varsity Softball** Front Row: T. Vore, N. Gould, M. Rehklau, and E. Eff. Second Row: B. Berry, K. Gill, M. Goetz, S. Munoz, and A. Tuttle. Back Row: K. Collins, J. Leking, E. Harnes, J. Weirich, and Coach Barrus.

Right: The freshmen listen to their coach, Steve Babbitt, as they get together between innings to talk about the next inning.



Left: Catcher Kerri Collins talks to her teammates before the game to try to get them a little more pepped up.



J.V. Softball



Boys Track



Girls Track



Boys' Track Front Row: N. Darm, B. Stutzman, R. Vanlooche, S. Darm, B. Stutzman, and W. Thompson. **Second Row:** L. Smith, B. Koppelman, N. Sheldon, K. VanSchoyck, R. Ball, M. Hinde, and J. Cambell. **Third Row:** E. Frederick, J. Burtle, J. Martis, J. Stites, K. McHenery, B. Mainka, and M. Stutzman. **Back Row:** J. Bradshaw, E. Loar, J. Snyder, L. Hartman, S. Hicks, C. Loar, B. Mitchell, B. VanStavern, and Coach Horky. **Not pictured:** Coach Durbin.



J.V. Softball Front Row: A. Escobedo, A. Davis, C. Hershberger, and M. Fritz. **Second Row:** L. Lake, G. Sauter, B. Cranor, J. Gallatin, and M. Kendall. **Back Row:** S. Piotter-Anderson, C. Ebright, J. Filipek, E. Risher, and Coach Heiden.

Girls' Track Front Row: L. Mitchell, M. Taylor, J. Marks, A. Stutzman, M. Rose, A. Koppelman, J. Wilson, M. Miles, and M. Furgason. **Second Row:** Coach Navarro, J. Gentz, J. Streby, J. White, C. Navarro, S. Prielipp, J. Eisenmann, E. Cornell, M. Porter, J. Navarro, and Coach Brown. **Third Row:** R. Porter, S. Heydinger, S. Heinanen, B. Brien, B. Goetz, A. Stimac, and J. Dickerson. **Back Row:** A. Veres, H. Brockway, J. Sell, S. Miller, H. Nevins, A. Emerson, A. Heiden, E. Marchal, and T. Murphy. **Not Pictured:** Melinda Ball

Above: The J.V. team congratulates Lucas Gritzmaker for a great hit that got him round all the bases. Below: The girls' track team take a break as they pose for a picture with their Regional trophy. They take in the glory, and rejoice after their long days work.



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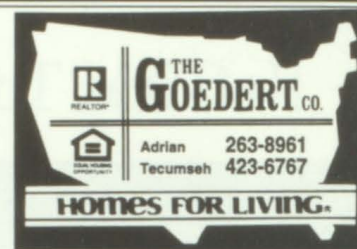


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Prom 1996 -

"An Enchanted Evening in Oz"

"...If I only had a heart..."

Even the Tin Man could feel the love and excitement that was experienced at this year's prom. Thanks to the hard work and effort of the Junior Class and many parents in the upcoming weeks before hand, "An Enchanted Evening in Oz" was a complete success. Prom was held at the High School for the second year in a row after last year's success.

The halls were lined with paintings representing film reels and the cafeteria was transformed into the Emerald City, with the "Great and Powerful Oz" looking on from the stage. We almost forgot that we were actually at school.

The prom king candidates were Shannon Darm, Tom Gentz, Josh Miller, and Lon Smith. The queen candidates were Melinda Ball, Jamie Eisenmann, Emilie Harmes, and Andrea Stutzman. The royalty for the 1996 prom were Josh Miller and Emilie Harmes. With 258 people attending, this year's prom was the biggest that the High School has seen.



Above: Prom-goers getting into the mood.



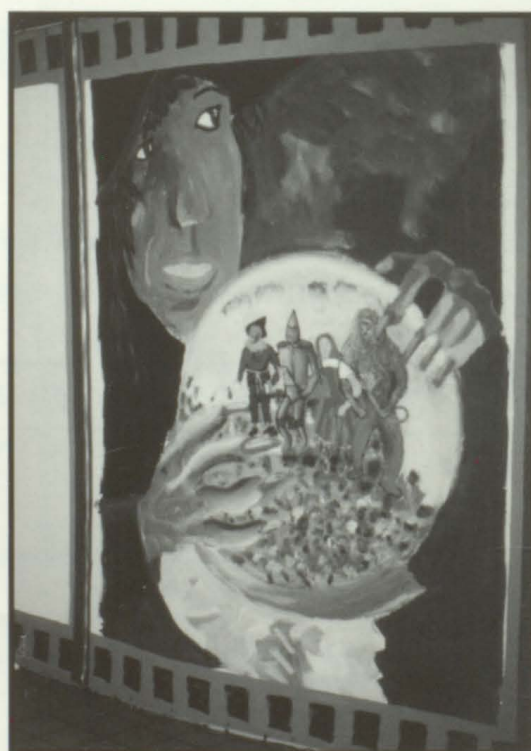
Left: Prom Director Cris Rupp works hard hanging decorations after school.

Below: Just one of the many "film strips" lining the hallway painted by many Juniors and Mr. Tarrant.



Above: Mike Gunter and Meran Miles capture a special moment.

Right: Prom King and Queen Josh Miller and Emilie Harmes.





Above: Catherine Navarro and Sara Munoz both enjoying the prom.



Above: Students and parents worked hard after school until all of the decorations were finished late Friday night.

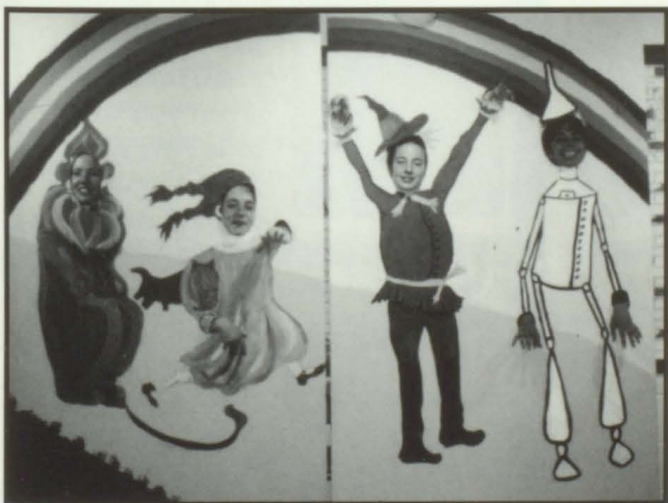
After Prom '96



Above: Gambling in the balcony was one of the attractions at after prom.



Above: Mr. Masters, head of after prom, awards Tom Gentz with one of the "grand prizes."



Above: Shane Prielipp, Julie Wilson, Meran Miles, and Eryn Eff "follow the yellow brick road" at after prom.



Above: Eryn Eff and Laura Diebel square off in the sumo ring.



Pete,
It seems like such
a short time ago
that you were
starting nursery school. We're
proud of you and have high hopes
for your future. We wish you
much happiness.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Max



Melinda Lois Ball
Once she was
small
Now she is tall
**OUR PRIDE AND
JOY**
Which says it all.



Dear Kyle,
It doesn't seem
possible that it's
time for you to be graduating from
high school already. We are very
proud of you and wish you all the
happiness in the world! Congratula-
tions!

Love from your
whole family



Dear Eryn,
Pride is in our
eyes, and joy in
our hearts.

Every dream we've had for you
has come true because of your
values, goals, and determination.
Always keep true to yourself, and
your aspirations. Success will
never be far behind. With much
love and respect, Dad, Mom,
Meghann and Ryann



Shannon,
We are very
proud of you and
all your accom-
plishments. We are hopeful you
have a very happy and successful
future.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Dear Jamie,
We're very
proud of the
person you've
become. Keep
smiling! Love,
Dad and Mom



Andre,
We can't believe
how fast you've
grown. Your artistic talents along
with your independence and
energy will get you far in life.
Follow your dreams, and keep that
curly hair, we love it.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Mike,
I'm Very proud
of you. I know
you will be successful in whatever
you choose to do in life. Good
luck and may God bless you.

Love,
Mom



Ben,
You have the
strength to stand
on your prin-
ciples, to hope
for the future, to
pursue your destiny with tireless
passion, optimism, and confidence.
You have our love and respect
always.

Dad, Mom, and
Jake



Abbie,
God showed that
he cared, your
love we could share. Let his word
be a lamp unto your feet, you'll
conquer all that you meet.

Love,
Dad and Mom



Joshua James,
From the days
when you were a
little boy, your
happy smile and
tender heart have
make you such a special part of
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determination, enthusiasm,
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Dear Nick,
Whenever you
ride in the path
of life, remember

we are proud of you and we love
you.

XOXO

Mom and Dad



Andrea,
You were always
so tiny but
mighty with a
very special
"gift". Your

independence, determination, and
hard work have made you into a
fine young lady. We are very
proud of your accomplishments
and are anxious to see how God
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Kris - God blessed
me with a son, not
so awfully long
ago. One I knew
that someday
would grow up to

be a fine young man, that has brought
back all of those fond memories of
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mature into a fine young man. We
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you all the happiness and success
you deserve in the future. May
God always be with you.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Joshua



Julie,
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tion. Your compassion for life has
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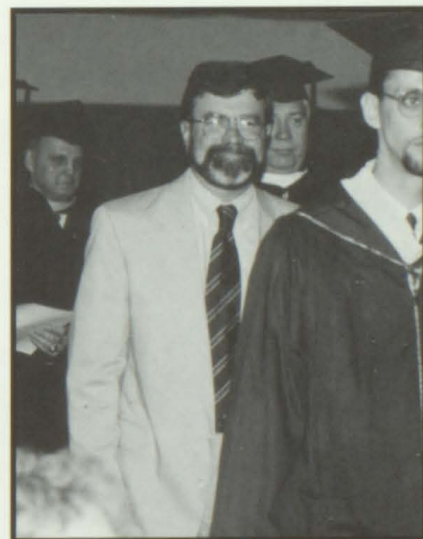
Above Left: Leslie Phillips and Joe Saylor walk together at graduation. **Above Right:** The graduating class of 1996 at baccalaureate.



Above: Danelle Sayers and Kevin McHenry pause for a picture on their way to their seats.



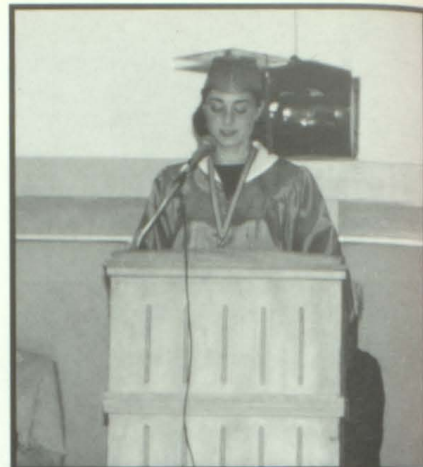
Above: Recently injured in a car accident, Marc Viers processes up with his brother, Steve Viers. Much applause was heard as Marc received his diploma.



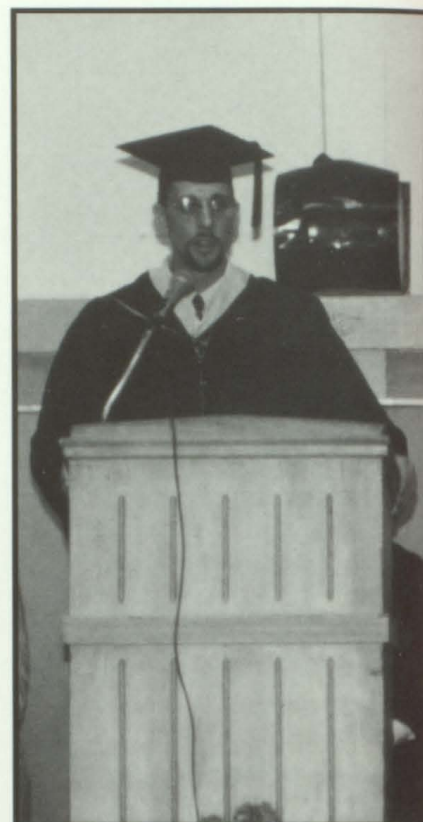
Frank Baker, of Riverbend Timberframing, spoke during graduation about the challenges of owning a business and of life in general.

Graduation Ceremony
June 1, 1996

Opening: Emilie Harmes
Introduction of Speakers: Richard Coscarelli
Speakers: Frank Baker,
Gary Sullivan
Closing: Molly Rose



Top: Terrie Staup shakes Mr. Palka's hand before receiving her diploma. **Bottom:** John Veres hears much applause as he accepts his diploma.



Above: Mr. Coscarelli at the podium.

Top Right: Molly Rose gives a farewell message to the senior class.

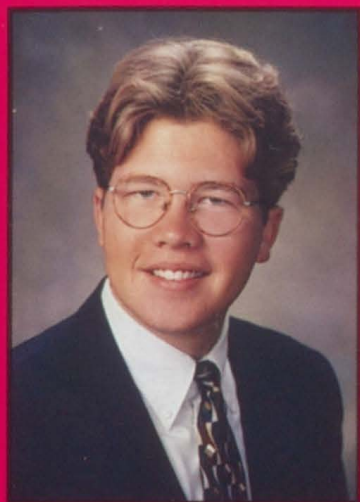
Top Left: Emilie Harmes spoke to the Senior class about the "Fantastic voyage" of life. **Bottom Left:** Greg Tarrant scopes out the scene. **Bottom Middle:** Melissa Eisenmann, Melinda Ball, Julie Wilson, Eryn Eff, and Stacy Swartz are locked out of the locker room before baccalaureate.



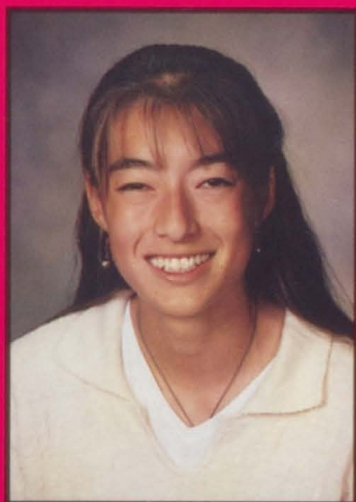
Brian Karg wears the John Deere sign on his hat. Other things seen on hats included a smiley face, and U of M.

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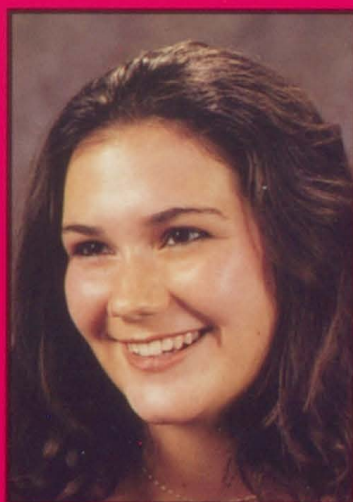
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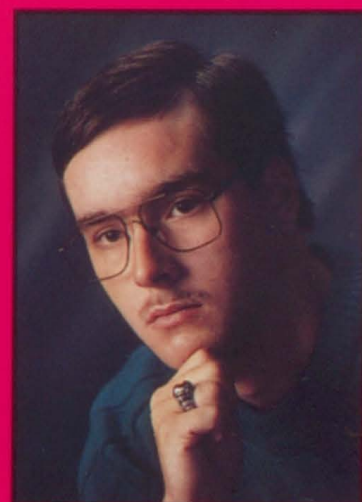
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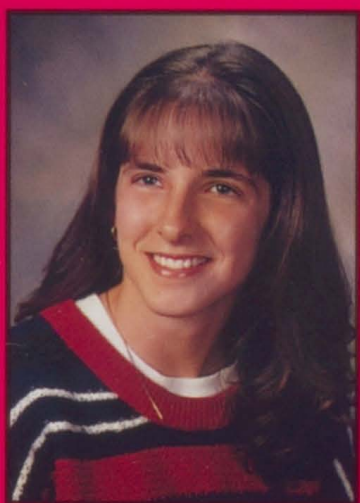
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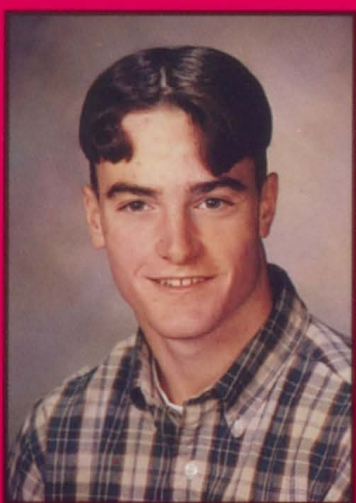
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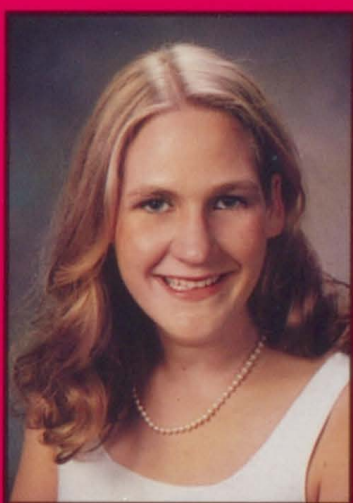
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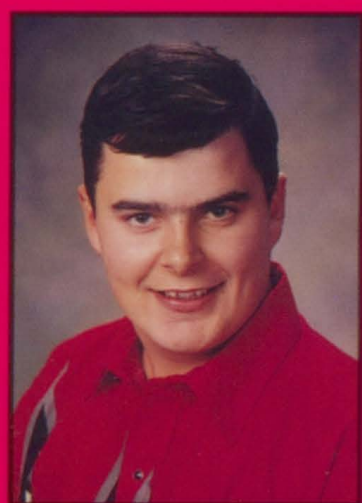
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Betty Brien



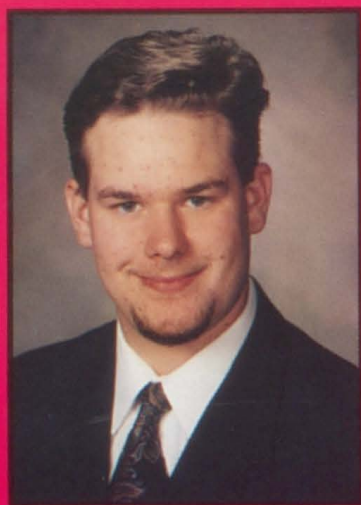
William Brown

Peter Baker- Golf(9-12), Wrestling (9), Ski Club (9-12), French Club (9-12), Play (9-12), Musical(9-12), Yearbook (9-11), Winner's Circle(9-11), Peer

Listening (10-12), Honor Society (11-12), Key Club (11-12), Senior Class Vice President.

Melinda Ball- Track (9-12), Cross Country (10-12), Freshman Class

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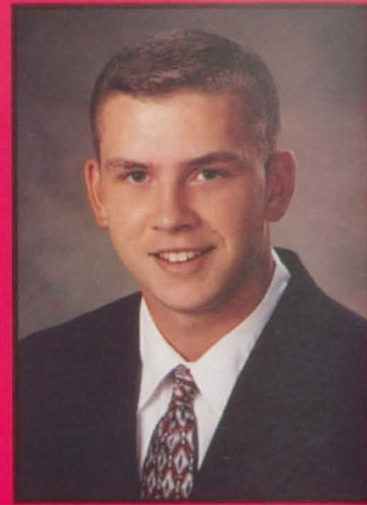
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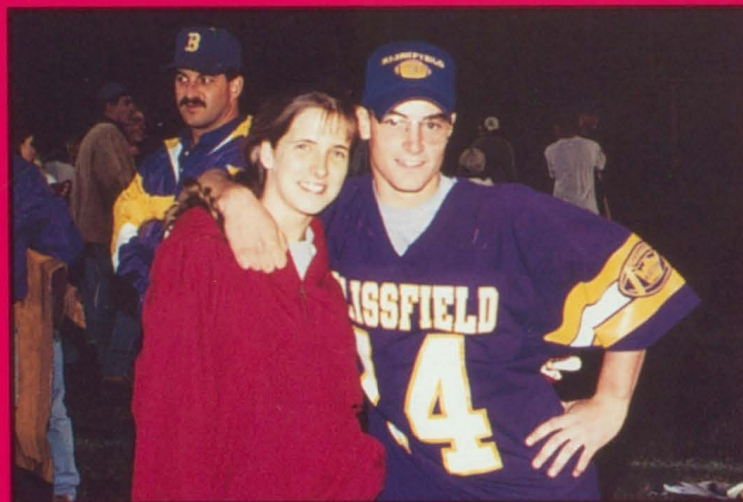
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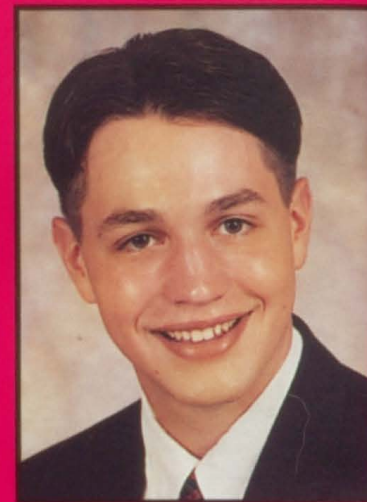
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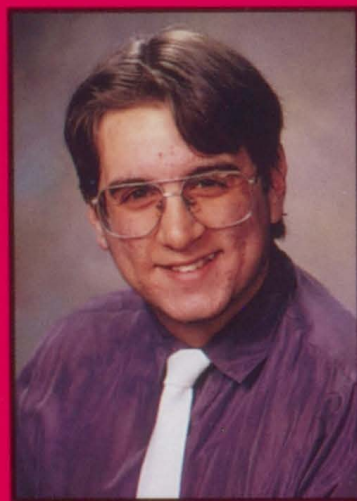
Marcy Betz and Todd Bowen pose for a picture after the homecoming pep-rally.



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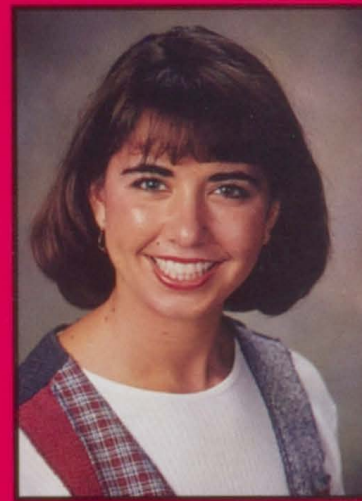
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Carrie Bella- Play (9-12), Musical (10-12), Honor Society (11-12), Key Club (12), Peer Listening (12).

Brian Berry- Golf (9-10), Baseball (9-10, 12)

Marcy Betz- Cheerleading (9-12), Track (9), Winner's Circle(10-12), French Club (10-12).

Cary Beyer- Cross Country (9), FFA (11).

Todd Bowen- Golf (9), Basketball (9-

10), Football (10-12), Baseball (9-12), Winner's Circle(9-12).

Betty Brien- Cross Country (12), Musical (12), Play (12), Key Club (12), Winner's Circle (12).



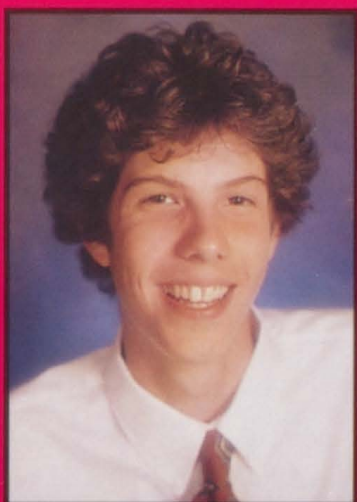
Jamie Eisenmann



Melissa Eisenmann



Jeremy Villegas and Jason Hejl practice for their upcoming concert band competition.



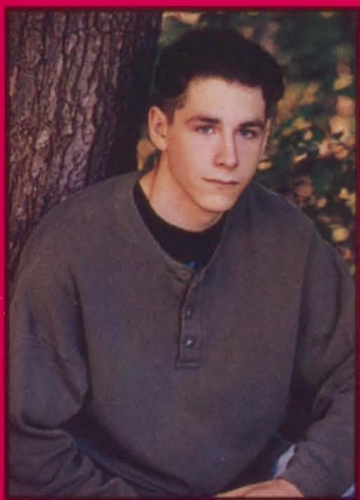
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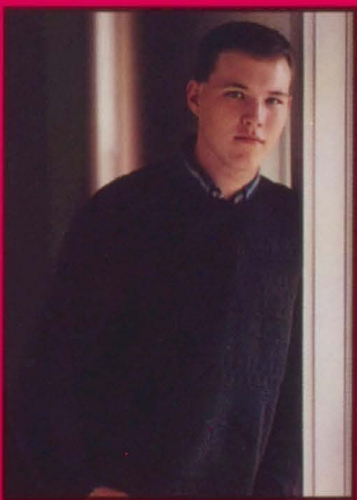
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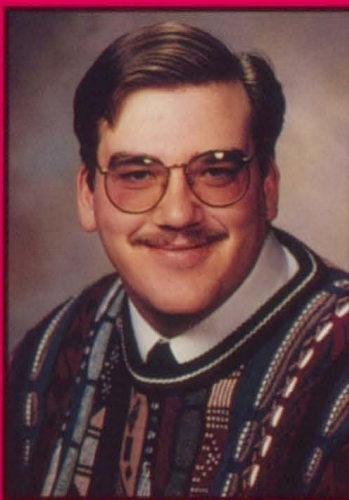
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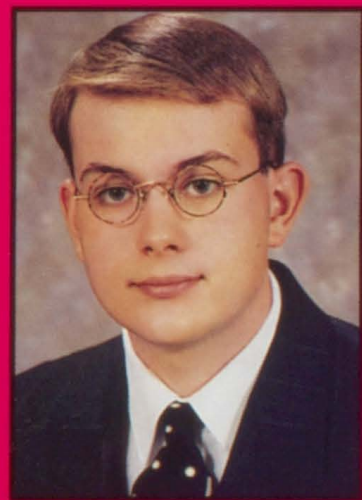
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Jessica Burrow- Flags Corp (9), Volleyball (10).

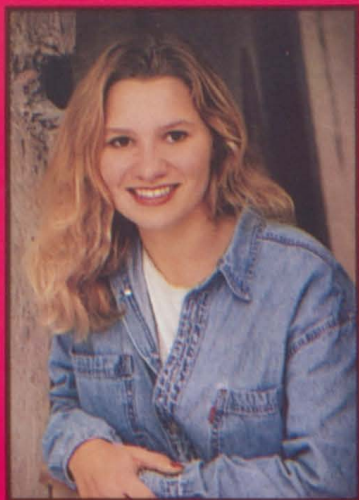
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Kyle Cheney- Golf (9-10, 12), Basketball (9-10), Ski Club (11-12), Baseball (9-12).

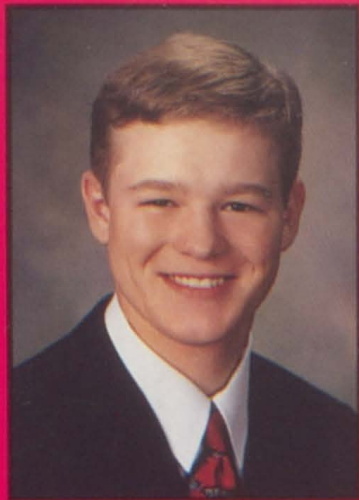
Amanda Clark- Morning Announcements (9), Honor Society (10-12),

Newspaper (12).

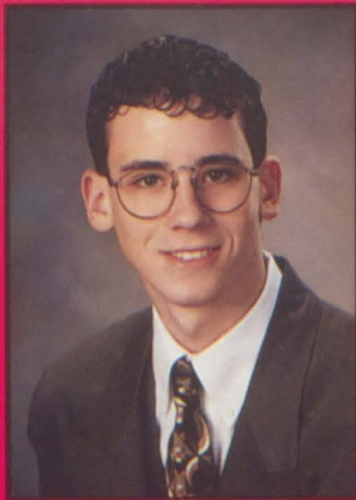
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Kodi Goddyn



Lucas Goetz



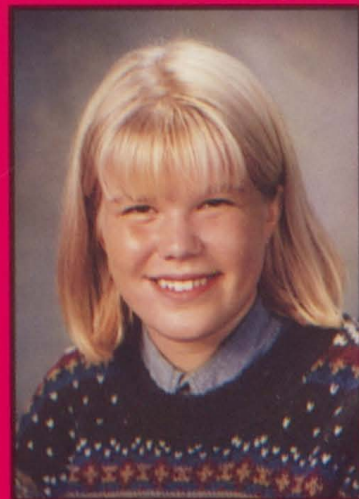
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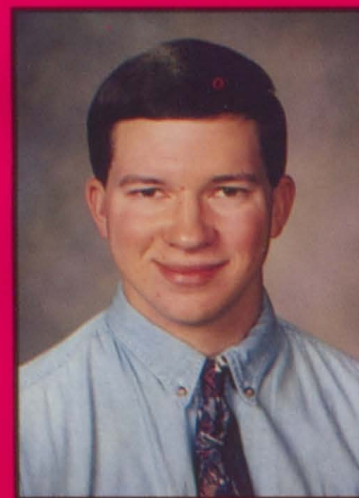
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Trent Horky and Ken Iffland relax before a volleyball game begins.



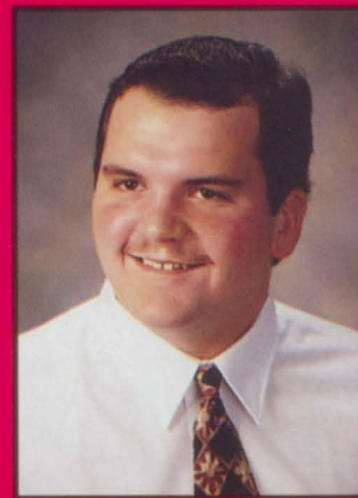
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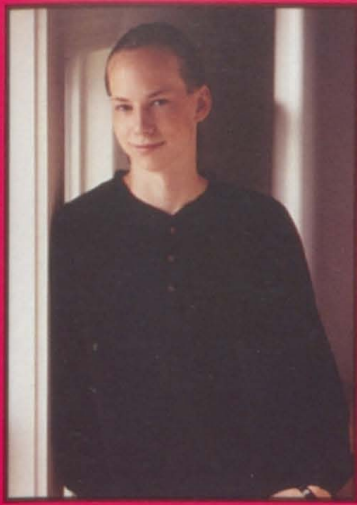
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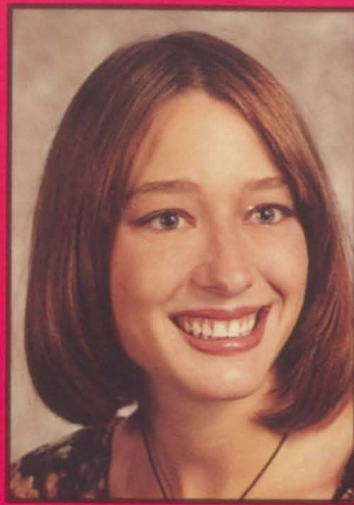
Stephanie DeNudt- Band (9-10), Peer

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Eryn Eff- Cheerleading (9-12), SADD (9), Freshman Class President (9), Winner's Circle (10-12),



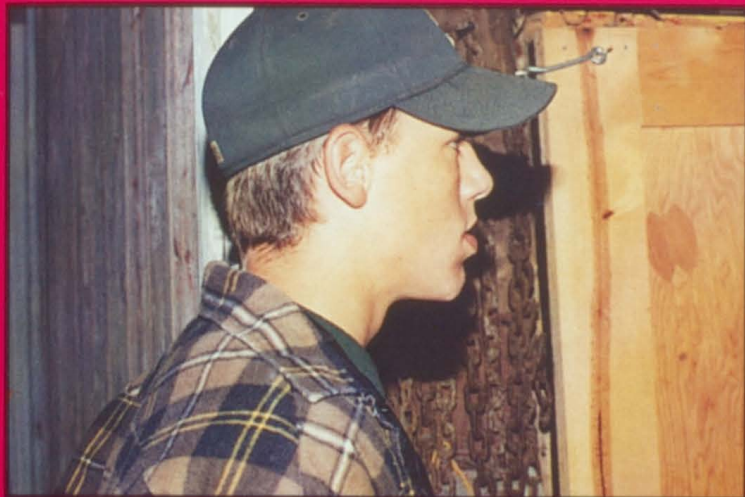
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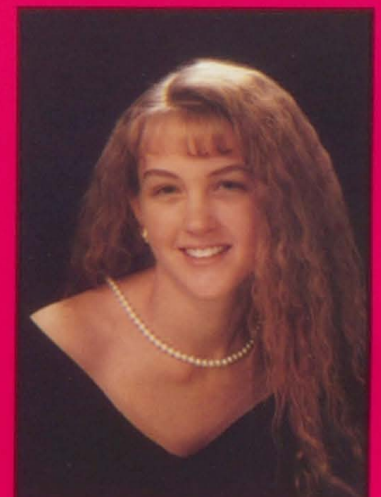
Whitni Kapela and Pete Baker "lounge around" at a friend's party over the weekend.



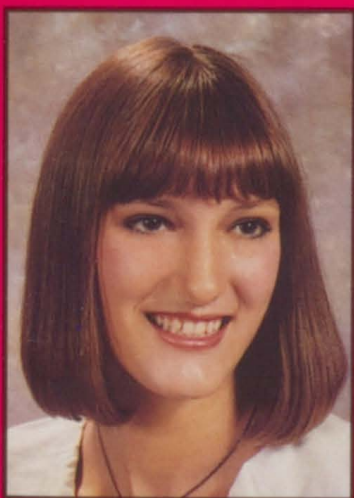
Tony Kudlac observes the activities going on around him at senior float building.



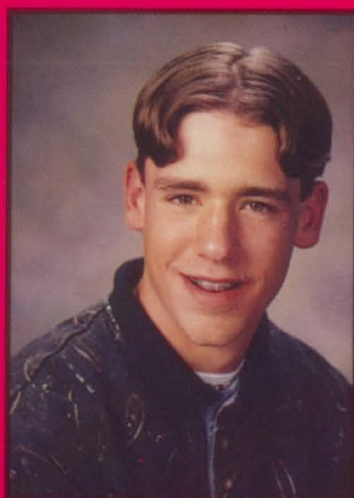
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Emmy Jo Koester



Abbie Koppelman



Anthony Kudlac



Becky Martinez and Amanda Clark work with fellow seniors to complete their float.

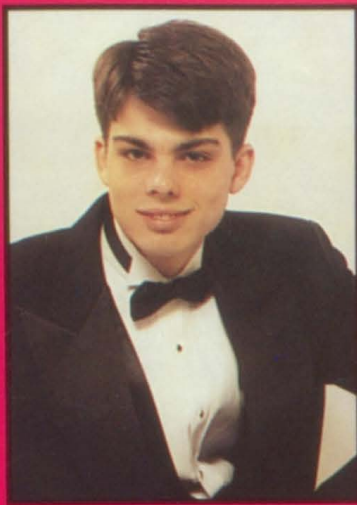
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Honor Society (10-12), Morning Announcements (11-12), Newspaper (11-12), Yearbook (12), Junior Rotarian (12), Meals-On-Wheels
Jamie Eisenmann- Basketball (9-12),

Track (9-12), French Club (9-11), Peer Listening (10-12), Honor Society (10-12), Peer Mentoring (11), Winner's Circle (11-12), Prom Committee (11),



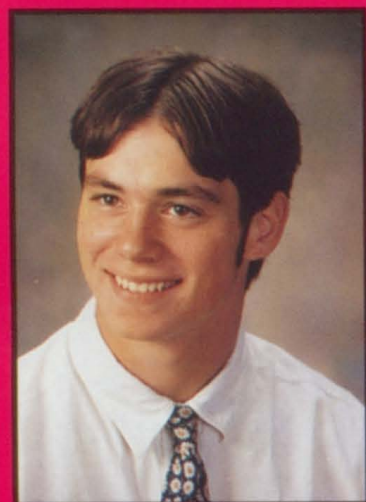
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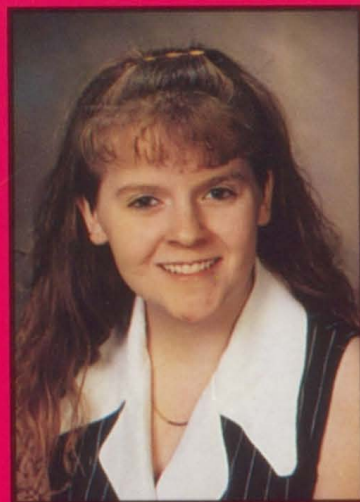
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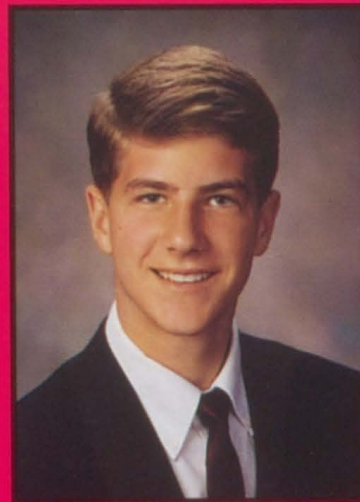
Football teammates Chris Loar and Steve Hicks show their "Royal Spirit" as they attend a volleyball match.



Christopher Loar



Amber MacFarlane



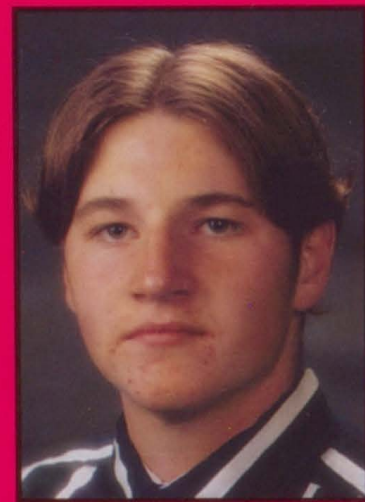
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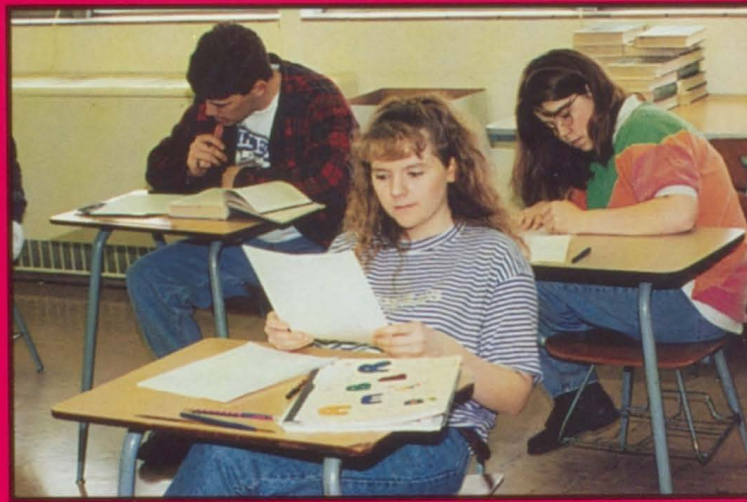
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Rebecca Martinez



Kevin McHenry



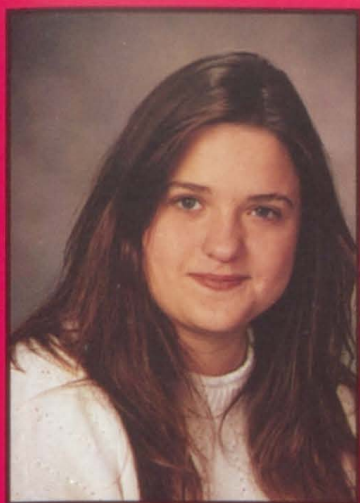
Chad Vanderlaan, Amber MacFarlane, and Jennifer Mock concentrate on their assignment in Mrs. Mershon's class.

Student Council, (12)
Melissa Eisenmann- Basketball (9), Volleyball (9-10), Band (9-11), Drum Major (11), Softball (9-11), Freshman Class Vice President, Sopho-

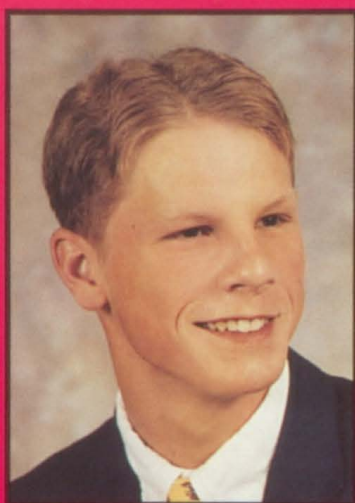
more Class President, Musical (11), Peer Listening (11-12), Meals-On-Wheels.

Wendy Federspiel- Flag Corps (10), Yearbook (11), Key Club (11), Young

Life(11), Peer Listening (11), Peer Mentoring (11), FFA (11).
Kelly Filippi- Track (9), Band (9-11).



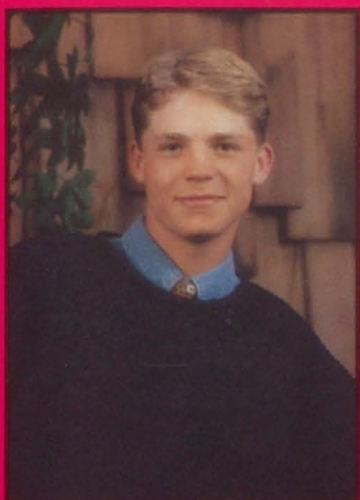
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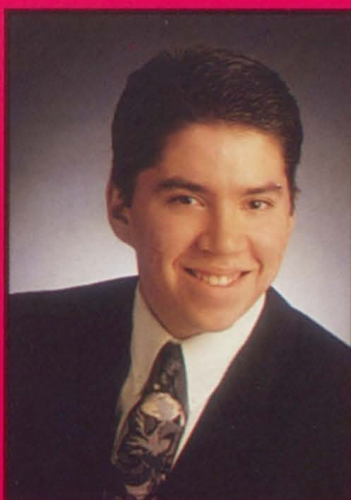
Senior float riders Jenny Marks and Emilie Harmes smile before the homecoming parade begins.



Lance Miller



Phillip Milosh



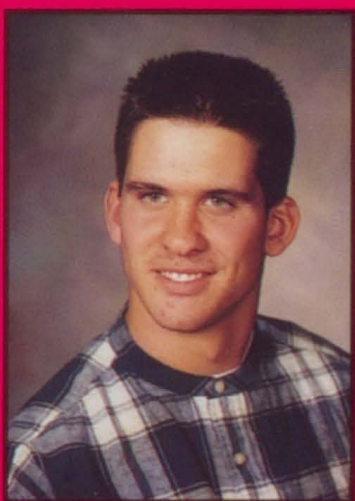
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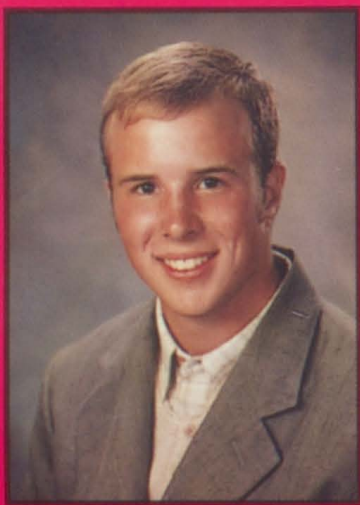


Boys Cross Country captain Shannon Darm gives it his all at a home meet at Gerber Hill Park.

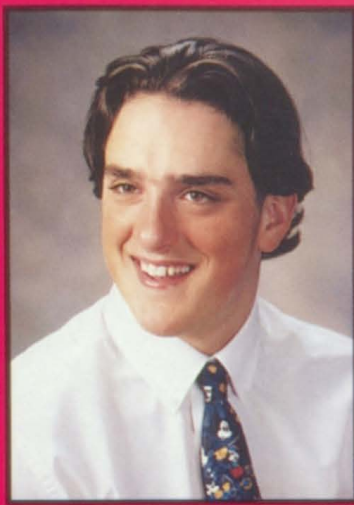
Aaron Flores- School Play (9-11), Musical (9-11), Speech (9-11), Track (9), Choir (12).
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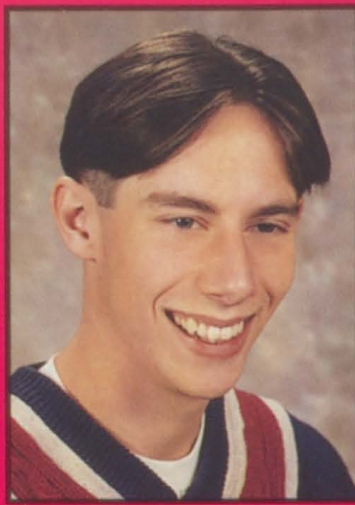
Kodi Goddyn- Cheerleading (9-11), Track (9, 11-12), French Club (9-11), Renaissance Committee (10-12), Winner's Circle (11-12), Peer Listening (12).



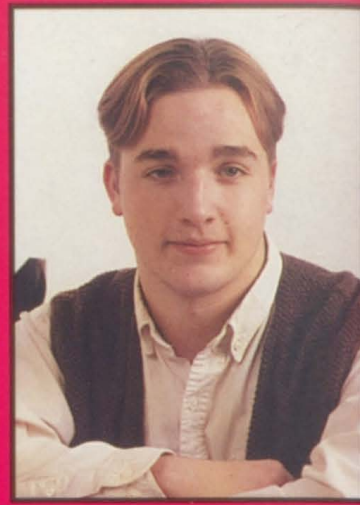
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Jerrod O'Brien



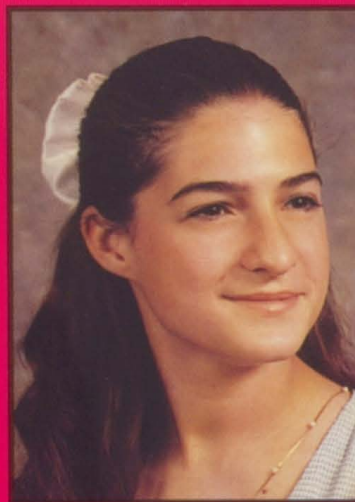
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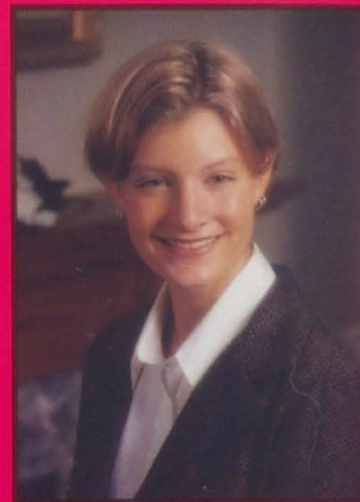
Scotty Paus



Nick Nieman gets a taste of the "Real World" as he poses with his father on career day during Spirit Week.



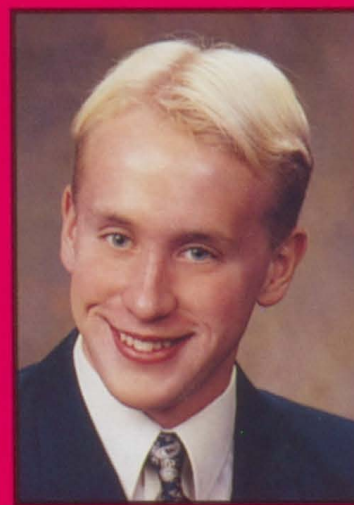
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Steven Reed



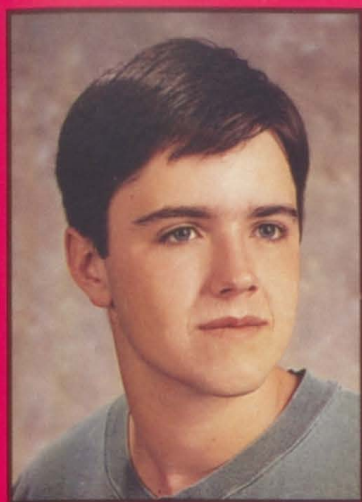
Chris Marks, Shannon Darm, and Mike Gunter take a break from their computer game long enough for a picture.

Mike Gunter- Wrestling (9, 12), Video Lab (9-12), Band (9-12), French Club (9-12), Morning Announcements (9-10), Ski Club (11-12), Peer Listening (11), Peer

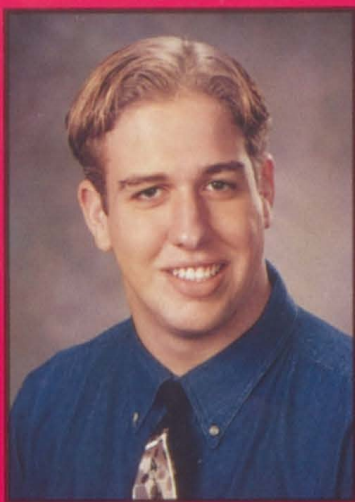
Mentoring (11), Winner's Circle (11-12), Prom Committee (11), Key Club (11-12), Yearbook (12).

Emilie Harmes- Volleyball (9-12), Softball (9-12), French Club (9-12),

Honor Society (9-12), Winner's Circle (10-12), French Club President (11-12), Renaissance Committee (11-12), Prom Committee (11), Class Treasurer (11-12), Yearbook



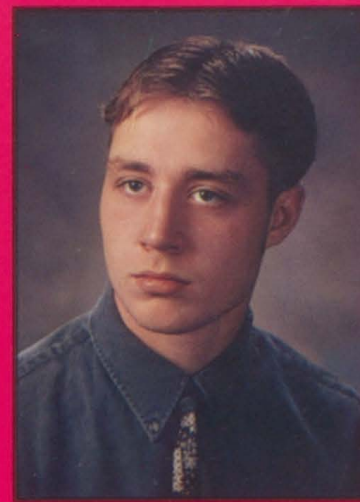
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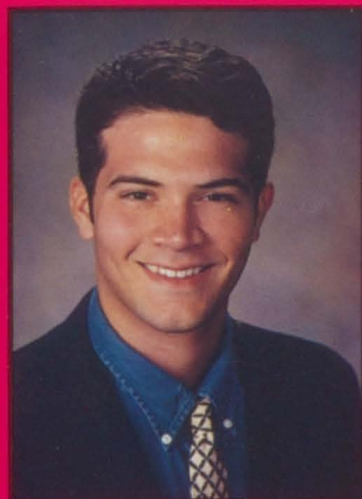
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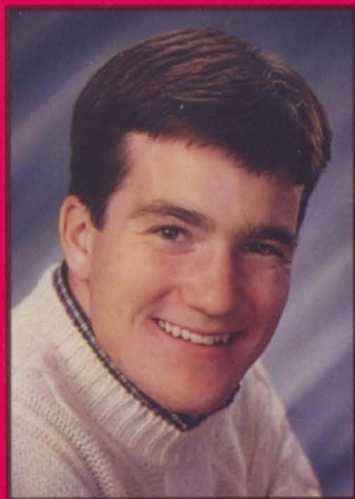
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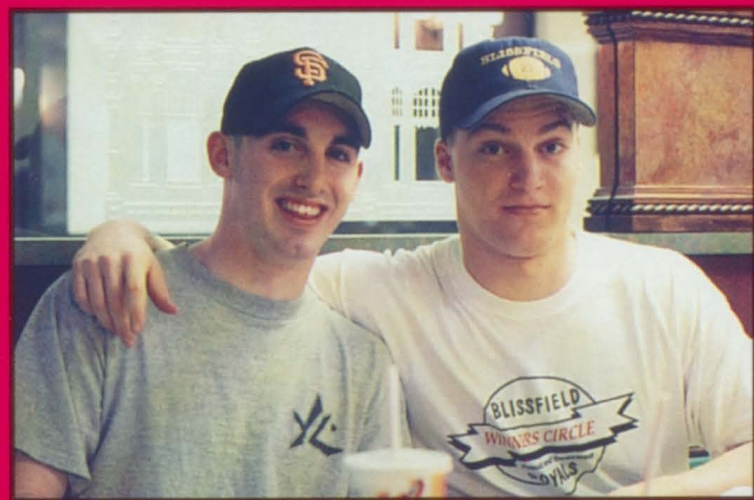
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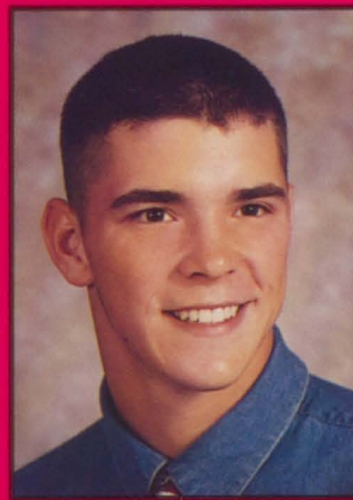
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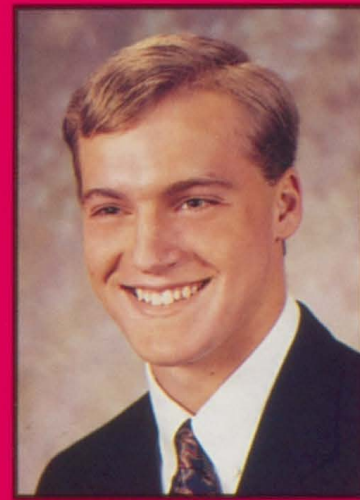
A few of the Senior guys pose for a memorable shot at prom.



Billy Weirich and Lon Smith get caught with their mouths full after a basketball game.



Nicolas Sharp



Lon Smith

(11-12), D.A.R. Good Citizen, Junior Rotarian.

Jennifer Hatch- Peer Listening (9-12), French Club (9-11), Track

(9), Renaissance Committee (10-12), Peer Mentoring (10-11), Cheerleading (10-11), Meals-On-Wheels (10), Winner's Circle (11-12).

Steven Hicks- Track (10-12), Football

(11-12), Winner's Circle (12).

Trent Horky- Football (9, 10-12), Basketball (9, 11), Ski Club (10-12), Track (9, 11).



Stacey Swartz, Jamie Laberdee, and Amanda Clark hang out at their lockers between classes.



Kellie Staup



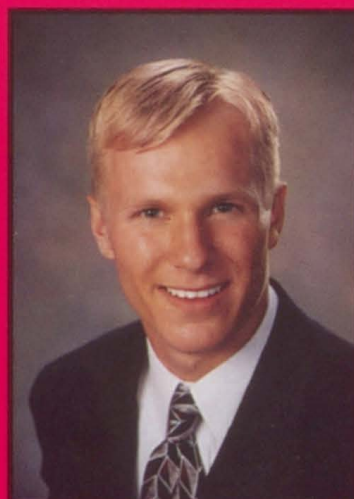
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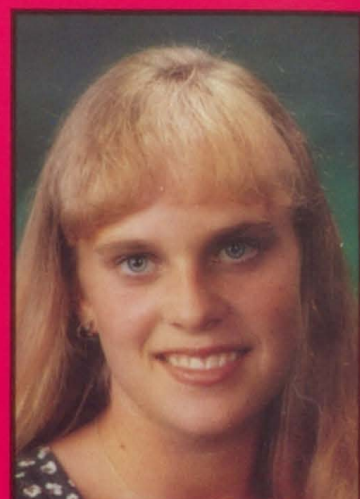
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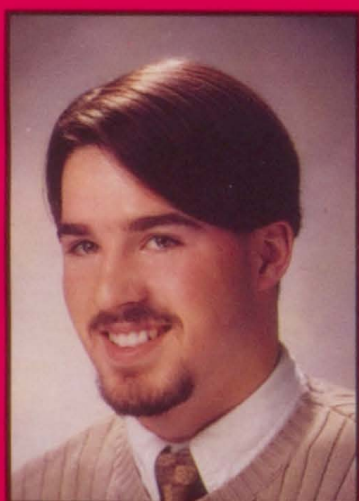
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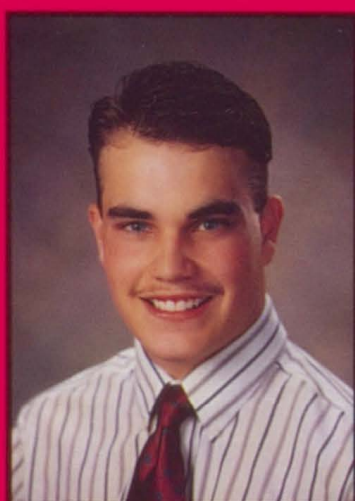
William Thompson



Amy Tuttle



Todd VanCamp



Kris VanWagner



Steve Hicks cools off between plays as the football team strives for another victory.

Kenneth Iffland- Baseball (9), Football (9-12), Winner's Circle (10-12), Honor Society (10-12), School Improvement (11-12), Meals-On-

Wheels (11), Yearbook (12).

Benjamin Jewell- Ski Club (12).

Brian Karg- FFA (9-12), Peer Listening (9-12), Winner's Circle, (10-11), Student Council (9-12), Football (9-

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Abbie Koppelman- Basketball (9-



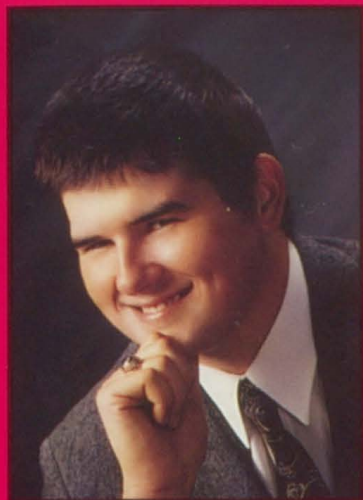
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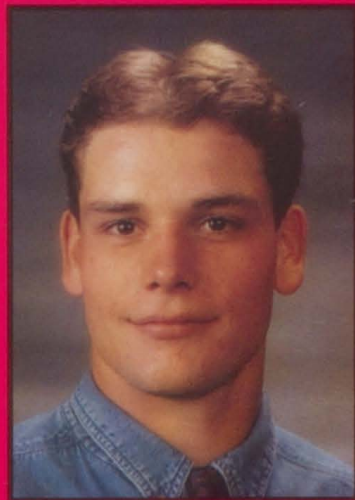
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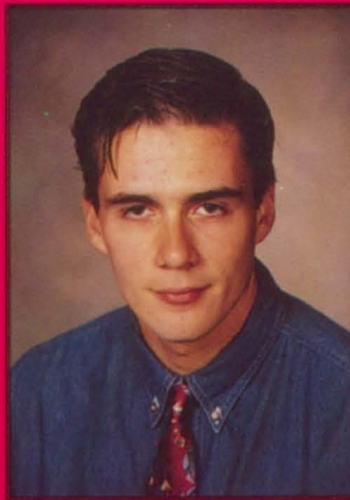
Emilie Harmes and Melinda Ball put the finishing touches on the senior's homecoming float.



John Veres



Marc Viers



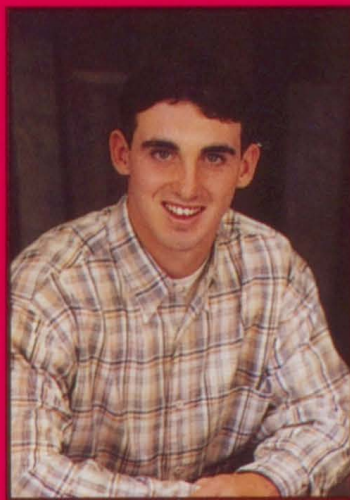
Jeremy Villegas



Rachel Warner



Homecoming Queen Julie Wilson smiles after a yearbook meeting.



William Weirich



Julie Wilson

12), Volleyball (9-12), Track (9-12), Honor Society (10-12).

Anthony Kudlac- Football (9-10), Baseball (9-12).

Christopher Loar- Student Council

(9), Golf (9), Wrestling (9-11), Football (10, 12), Peer Listening (11-12).

Christopher Marks- Video Lab (9), Golf (9-10), Morning Announcements

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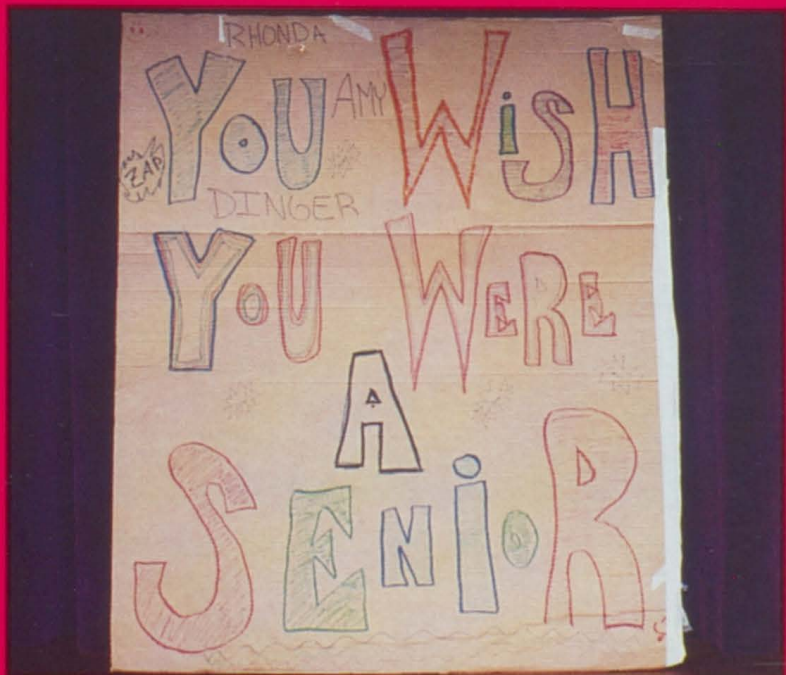
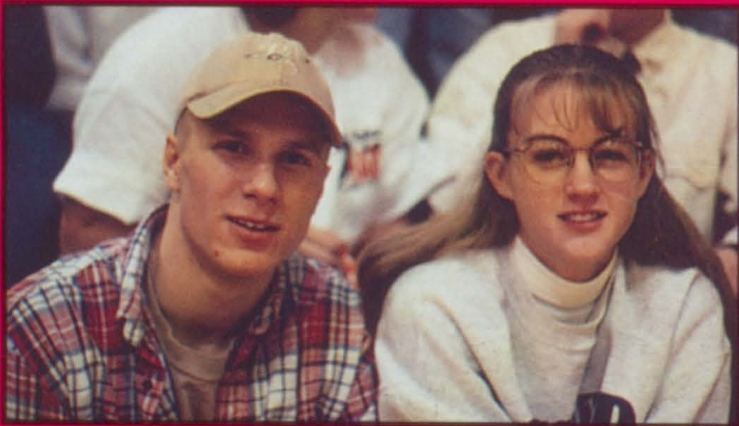
SENIOR MEMORIES



Above: Kris VanWagner proudly shows who his hero is during spirit week.

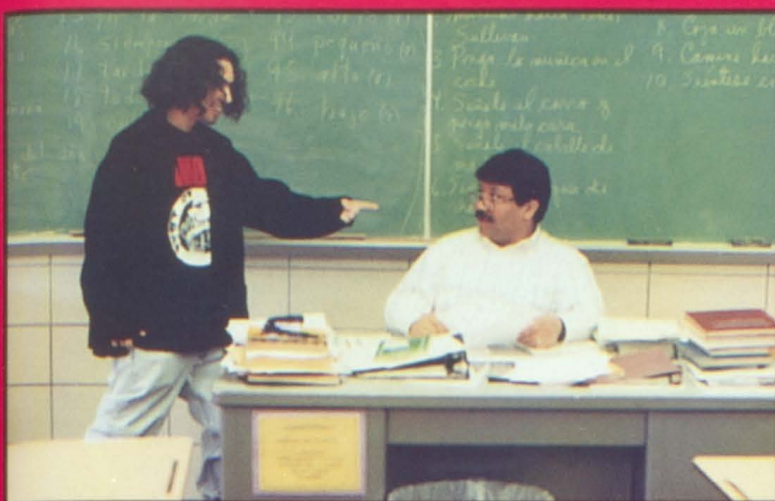
Below: Will Thompson and Emmy Jo Koester take a break from the game to give a smile.

Above: Senior winter athletes have "Royal Spirit".

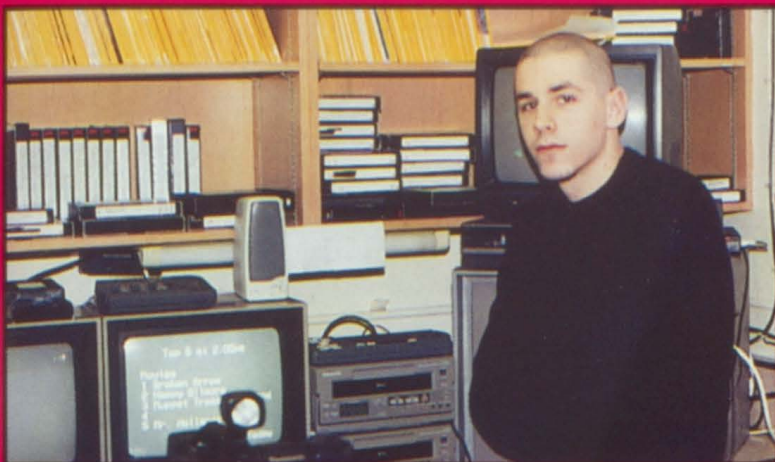


Above: Need we say more?

Left: Shannon Darm breaks a sweat in gym class.



Above: Aaron Flores points an accusing finger at Mr. Nino.
Below: Josh Fink prepares for the weekend announcements.



Above: Joe Saylor, Tom Gentz, and Todd Bowen working hard in Spanish.
Below: Roaring Royal spirit at its best.



Jennifer Marks- Basketball (9-12), Volleyball (9-12), French Club (9-12), Peer Listening (9-12), Key Club (9), Morning Announcements (9), Honor Socitey (10-12), Winner's Circle (11-12), Student Council (12), Junior Rotarian.

Rebecca Martinez- Cheerleading (9-12), French Club (11-12), Winner's Circle (11-12).

Kevin McHenry- Cross Country (9-12), Wrestling (9-12), Track (9-12), Ski Club (11), Winner's Circle (12).

Heather Miller- Musical (9, 11-12), Choir (9-11), Royal Aires (10), Royal Singers.

Joshua Miller- Baseball (9), Basketball (9-10), Band (9-12), Ski Club (11-12), Winner's Circle (12), Key Club (12).

Lance Miller- Baseball (9-12), Basketball (9-10), Golf (9-12), French Club (9), Ski Club (9-12), Winner's Circle (10).

Phillip Milosh Jr.- Football (9, 11-12), Wrestling (9-11), FFA (11).

Daniel Mirelez- Wrestling (9), Baseball (9-11), Musical (9-12), Football (10-11), School Play (10), Peer Listening (11-12), Meals-On-Wheels (11-12).

Charlene Munoz- Choir (9-12), Musical (9-10), Flag Corps (9), Softball (10).

Dana Nevins- Golf (9), Track (9), Public Speaking (9-12), FFA (10-12).

Nicholas Nieman- Golf (9, 12), Wrestling (9-10), FFA (9-12), Ski Club (10-12), FFA Treasurer (10), FFA President (11), Key Club (12), Class Secretary (12).

Jerrold O'Brien- Football (9-12), Basketball (9-10), Baseball (9-10), Secratery (10), Winner's Circle (12).

Scott Paus- School Play (9-12), Football

(9), Wrestling (9), Musical (10-12), Speech (10-12), Key Club(12).

Leslie Phillips- Softball (9, 11-12).

Jillian Redlinger- Cheerleading (9-12), Track (9), French Club (11).

Joedy Reed- Flags (9-10).

Students Not Pictured:

Akim Angst
Cary Beyer
Jenie Duciaume
Aaron Flores
Anthony Ford
Pedro Garza
Phillip Gee
Jacob Hartman
Nathan Heine
Elario Moreno
Ruzica Pavlovic
Danelle Sayers

SENIOR THOUGHTS...

Q

What is your best memory from B.H.S.?

A

"Jumping with Frog (Melinda Ball) and being with my best friend at track meets." Abbie Koppelman
 "Messing around in the locker room after the Clinton basketball game my sophomore year." Tom Gentz
 "Seeing Tom Gentz dance in his leopard-skin underwear after a Basketball game." Dan Crist



Q

What is the worst thing about B.H.S.?

A

"The grading scale. Kids aren't pushed." Josh Miller
 "People judge people too easily." Marc Viers
 "Waking up for school." Todd Bowen
 "The condition the school is in." Lon Smith

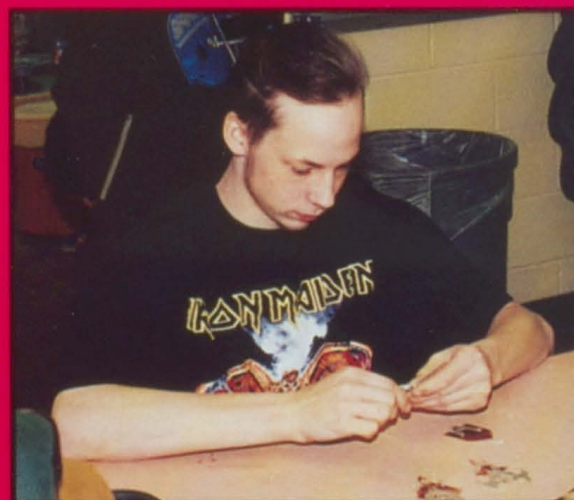


Q

What and Where will you be in ten years?

A

"Living comfortable." Ken Iffland
 "In jail!" Jerrod O'Brien
 "My first novel will be published and I'll live in an expensive house." Julie Wilson
 "I'll be an architect living in Chicago, if I ever finish this yearbook." Mike Gunter



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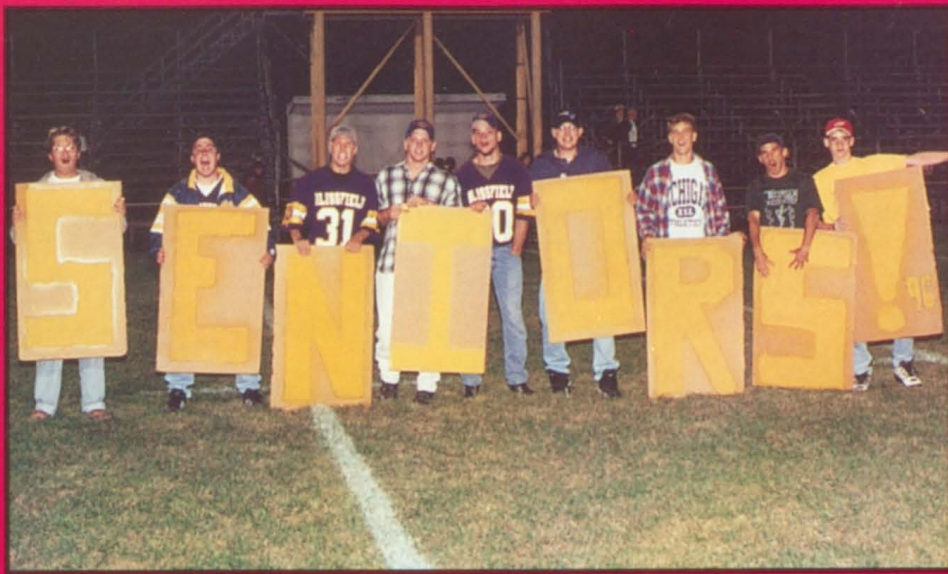
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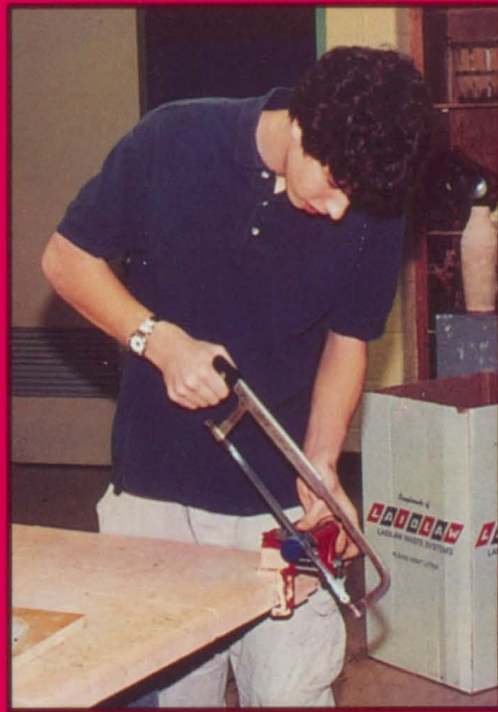


Above: Brian Karg uses his carpentry skills to work on the senior float.
Below: A few of the seniors who dressed up for opposite sex day for spirit week.



Above: Seniors show their superiority at the homecoming royal-rally.

Below: Andre Frye works on his jewelery in Mr. Tarrant's class.



Shane Retter- Wrestling (9), Key Club (12), Ski Club (12), Newspaper (12).

Micah Risher- Football (9), Wrestling (9-12), Newspaper (9-11), School Play (9-12), Musical (9-12), Debate (9-12), Speech (9-12), Key Club (9-12), French Club (9-12), Band (9-10), Choir (10-12).

Molly Rose- Basketball (9-12), Track (9-12), Peer Listening (9-12),

Student Council Rep (9), Morning Announcements (9), Peer Mentor (10), Student Council Treasurer (10-11), Prom Committee (11), Winner's Circle (11-12), Honor Society (10-12), Student Council President (12), Junior Rotarian.

Darren Sayler- Baseball (9-12), Golf (9-10), Ski Club (11-12), FFA (12), Key Club (12).

Joe Saylor- Football (9), Basketball (9-

11), Baseball (9-10).

Shad Sellick- Football (9, 11-12), Wrestling (9, 11-12), Ski Club (11-12).

Nick Sharp- FFA (9), Football (9-10), Wrestling (9-12), Baseball (9).

Lon Smith- Football (9-12), Basketball (9, 11-12), Baseball (9-10), Winner's Circle (10-12).

Stacey Swartz- Band (9-12), French Club (12).

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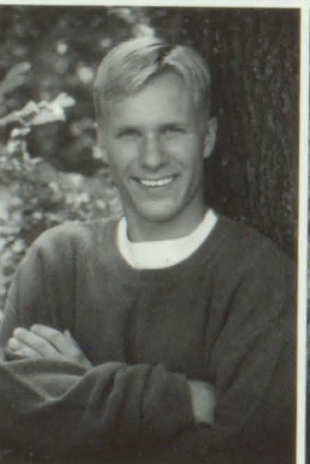
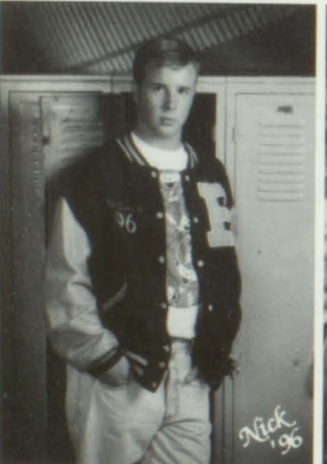
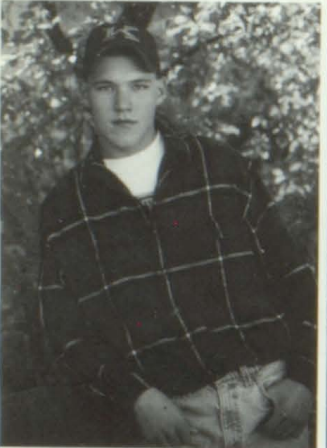
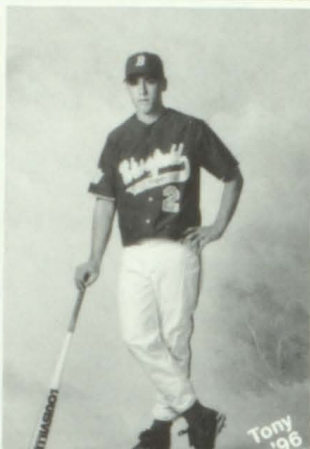
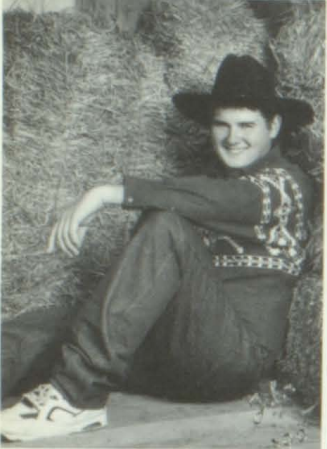
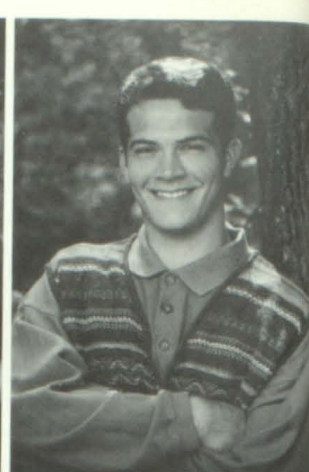
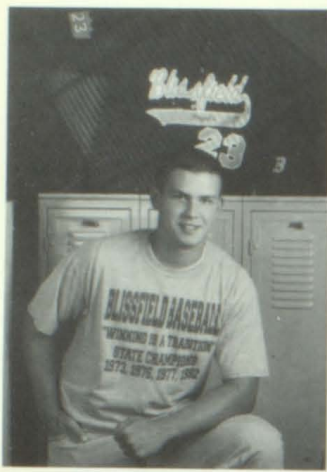
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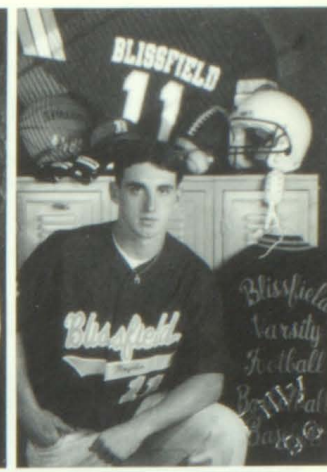
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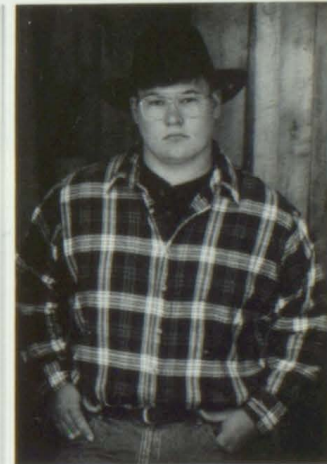
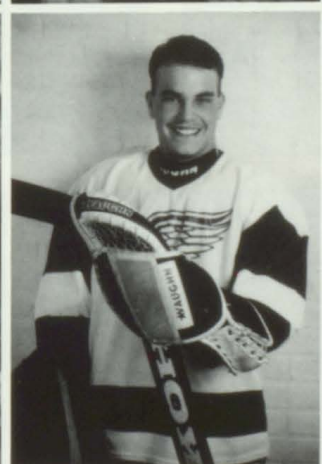
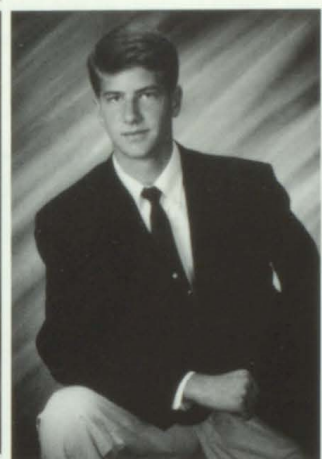
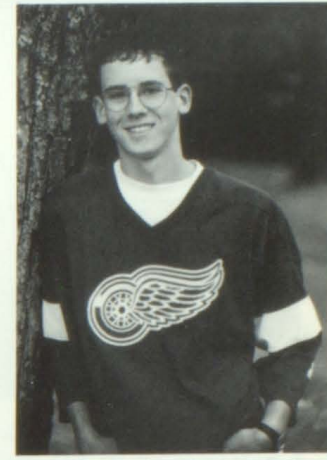




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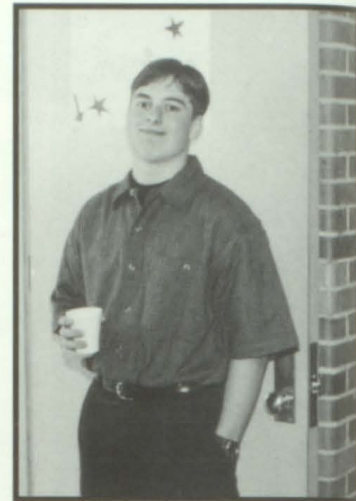
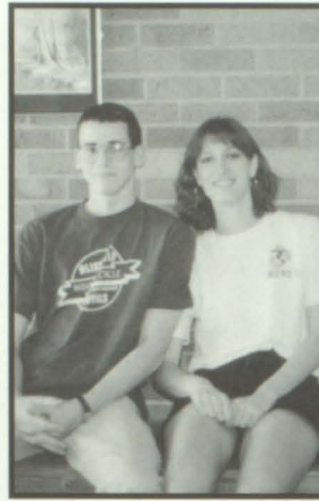
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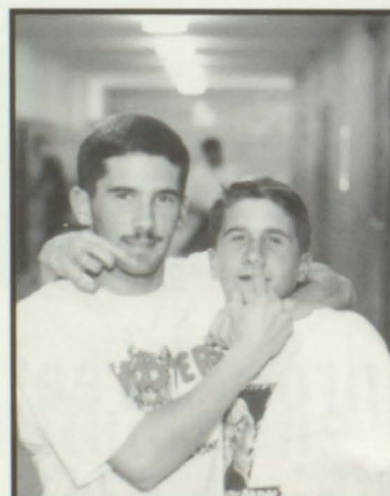
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As we close on another year at BHS, we look back on the memories made. **Below:** Girls' Cross Country takes second place at the Sauk Valley Invitational in Onsted. Left to Right- Alicia Meyers, Shane Prielipp, Juanita Navarro, Melonnie Furgason, Meran Miles, Julie Wilson, Erin Marchal, and Catherine Navarro. **Below Middle:** Abbie Koppelman and Mike Gunter sit in front of the superintendent's office on the "senior bench." **Below Right:** Cris Rupp stations himself in front of Mr. Durbin's room during a session of prom committee.



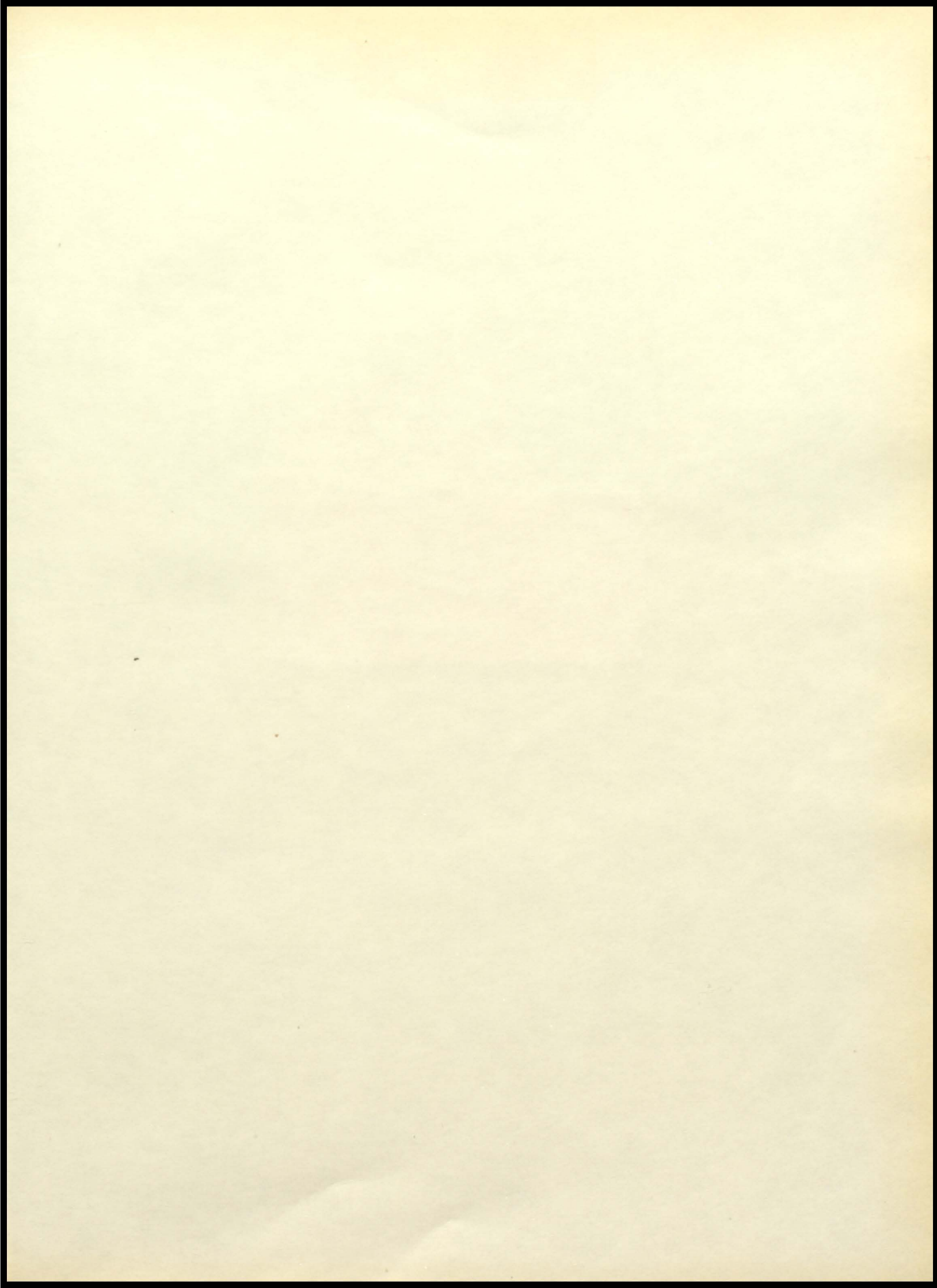
Below: Zach Waldvogel, Todd VanCamp, William Thompson, Trent Horky, and Todd Bowen at the basketball game. **Below Middle:** Marcy Betz and Becky Martinez at the varsity football game. **Below Right:** Micah Risher and exchange student Betty Brien support each other as they get ready for the play.

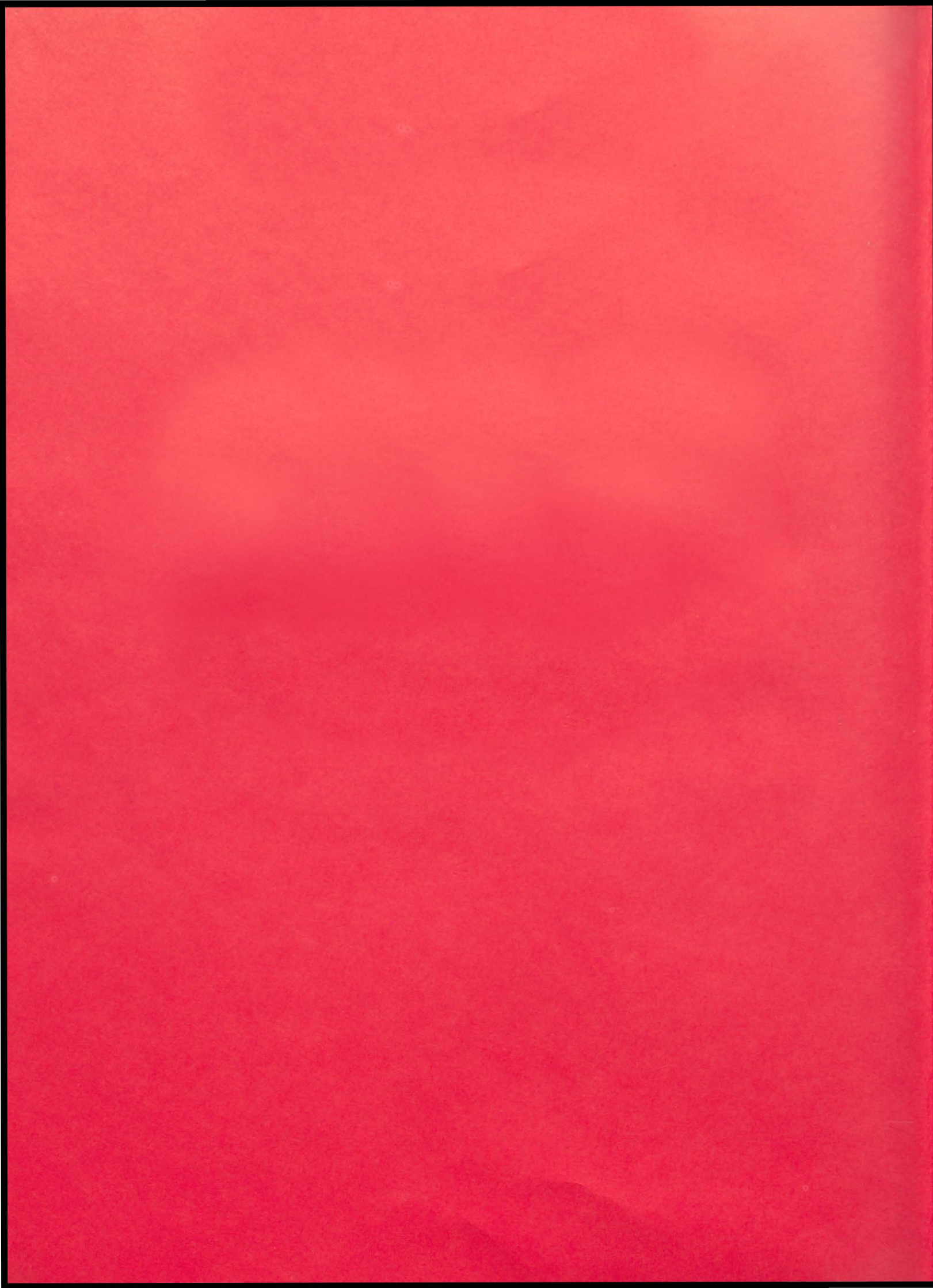


Left: Jamie Eisenmann gets best smile on the senior survey. **Middle:** Shannon Darm picks a winner when he stops his brother, Nicholas Darm in the hall. **Right:** Mr. Napier working hard in his office. He is in charge of such things as student management and the Renaissance Committee.

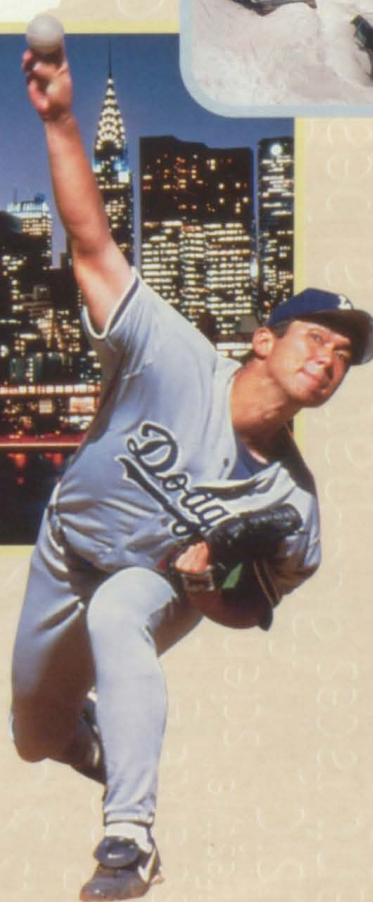
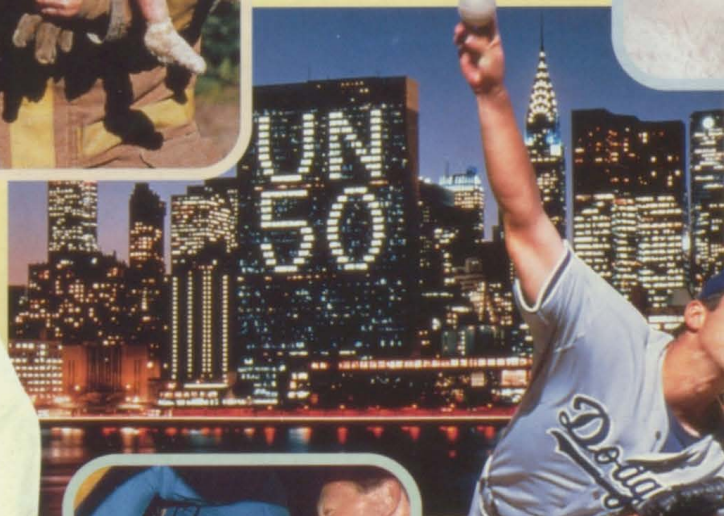








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G. Korganow, Gamma/Liaison

French transportation workers strike against their government throughout the month of December, shutting down the airlines and the metro system, after France increases the retirement age from 50 to 55 and lengthens the work week from 37 to 39 hours in efforts to cut spending.

AP/Wide World

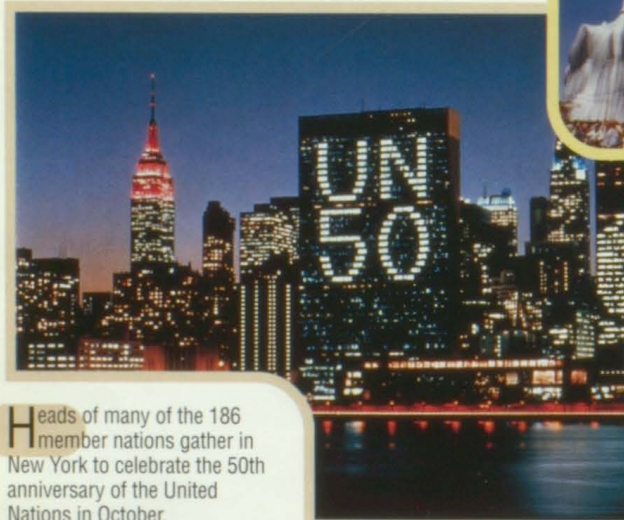


Rutgers/Archive Photo

Pope John Paul II visits New Jersey, New York and Maryland, and addresses the United Nations. He speaks out on social, economic, political and moral themes.



In late May, a doctor performs emergency surgery aboard British Airways flight 32 using a coat hanger, a knife and fork, and a scissors sterilized in brandy to save a woman whose life is threatened by a collapsed lung.



Schneider Pool from Gamma/Liaison

Heads of many of the 186 member nations gather in New York to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations in October.



Philippe Giraud, Sygma

Tahitian protests escalate into riots after France detonates a nuclear test device 750 miles from the South Pacific island. France's September resumption of tests after a three-year moratorium brings global condemnation.



John Ficara, Sygma

In a powerful address to the U.N.'s Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, attended by 30,000 women from 180 countries, U.S. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton declares, "Women's rights are human rights," to a desk-thumping, applauding audience.



Dan Dean, Gamma/Liaison

Shock waves hit the Middle East when Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is shot and killed while leaving a peace rally in Tel Aviv November 4. His murderer, Jewish extremist Yigal Amir, fanatically opposes peace negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

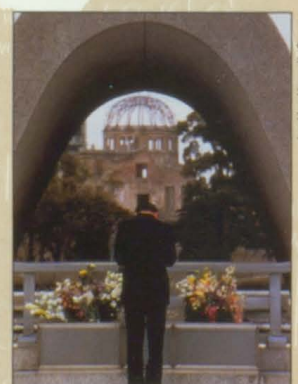


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Marxist Cuban President Fidel Castro abandons his Havana cigar and military fatigues for a suit and tie on a diplomatic visit to New York in October, where he tries to convince the U.S. to lift its 33-year-old trade embargo on still-communist Cuba.



Madman Shoko Asahara, leader of the Japanese apocalyptic religious cult, Aum Shinrikyo, is arrested on May 16 and charged with the Tokyo subway nerve-gas attack that left 12 people dead and injured 5,500 more in March.



Jon Van Hasselt, Sygma

Fifty years after the end of World War II, Japan remembers those killed by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A solitary building left standing after the blast, now a memorial called the Atomic Bomb Dome, symbolizes the horrors of war and the price of peace.

An earthquake kills 51 people on the resort-studded Pacific coast of Mexico. The quake measures 7.5 on the Richter scale and is felt 330 miles away in Mexico City.



AP/Wide World



J. Ficara, Sygma

The first U.S. president to visit Northern Ireland, President Clinton receives a warm Christmas welcome for his show of support for peace between Irish Protestants and Catholics.

Hurricane Marilyn inflicts millions of dollars of damage in the Virgin Islands in September. Winds up to 127 miles per hour severely damage half the homes on St. Thomas.



G. Williams, Gamma/Liaison

In November, the Republic of Ireland narrowly passes a referendum calling for an end to the country's 1937 constitutional ban on divorce.

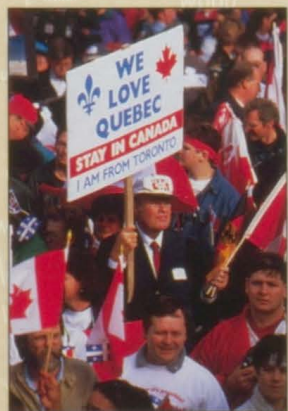
While competing in an international balloon race in September, two hot air balloonists, one English and one American, are shot down when their balloon floats off course over Belarus. The Belarussian army sees the balloon as a security threat and fires without warning. The balloonists fall to their death.

More than four years after Desert Storm, Iraq's President Saddam Hussein remains in power, though two of his sons-in-law defect to Jordan on August 8 and call for Hussein's overthrow.



AP/Wide World

Hope blooms for peace in Bosnia when Bosnia's President Izetbegovic (left) shakes hands with Serbia's President Milosevic on the opening day of the November cease-fire talks in Dayton, Ohio. Croatia's President Tudjman looks on. The ensuing Paris peace agreement of December sends 60,000 NATO peacekeeping troops to the war-torn country.



Brooks Kraft, Sygma

Quebec, Canada's largely French-speaking province, defeats an October referendum on Quebec independence by a margin of less than one percent.



Thomas Renaut, Gamma/Liaison

In July, without public explanations, Burma's military rulers free the country's most famous political prisoner, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of the pro-democracy movement and Nobel peace laureate, after six years of house arrest.



Clive Brunskill, Alamy

Russian figure skater Sergei Grinkov, 28, collapses and dies from a heart attack during practice with his wife-partner Ekaterina Gordeeva on November 20. The pair won two Olympic gold medals and four world pairs titles.



Gamma/Liaison

Great Britain's Princess Diana shocks Buckingham Palace with a tell-all BBC interview. Defying royal protocol, she discusses her marriage to unfaithful husband, Prince Charles, her struggle with depression and bulimia, and an extramarital affair. The majority of English people express their support and sympathy.



AP/Wide World

Securities trader Nicholas Leeson is arrested in Germany in March 1995 for fraud, forgery, and breach-of-trust. Leeson racked up a \$1.32 billion loss that caused the collapse of Barings PLC, the 233-year-old British bank.

national news

A San Francisco sewer line bursts under pressure from battering rainstorms, creating a monster sinkhole that swallows a \$2-million house in the Sea Cliff district. One-hundred-mile-per-hour winds knock out power to tens of thousands of homes and nearly blow a truck off the Bay Bridge.



Brant Ward, *San Francisco Chronicle*/Gamma/Liaison

Three days of drenching rains in the Pacific Northwest swell rivers to overflowing, causing severe flooding in Washington in December. In the town of Carnation, a pastor conveys a woman to dry land with a wheelbarrow.



AP/Wide World



The federal government repeals the national 55-mile-per-hour highway speed limit, enacted in 1974 during the oil embargo. The legislation allows states to set their own limits. On Montana highways, speed limits are eliminated completely.



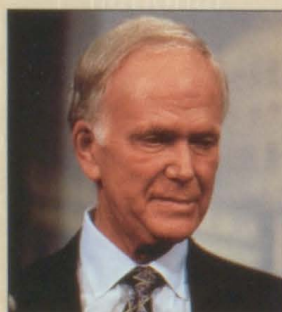
Larry Downing, Sygma

African-American men from across the country converge on Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March on October 16. The march, led by Nation-of-Islam minister Louis Farrakhan, promotes African-American unity, dignity, and family values.



AFP/Bettmann

Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady (right) is rescued from pursuing Bosnian Serb forces by U.S. Marines on June 8, six days after his plane is shot down over Bosnia. O'Grady survived on insects, plants, and rainwater.



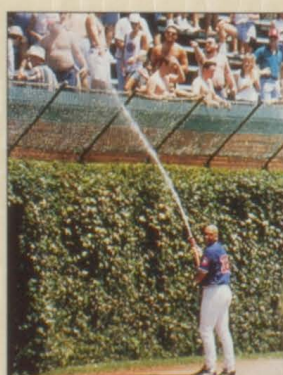
Market, Gamma/Liaison

U.S. Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon resigns on September 7, the day after the Senate Ethics Committee voted unanimously to expel him for sexual misconduct, embarrassingly detailed in his diaries, which were made public.



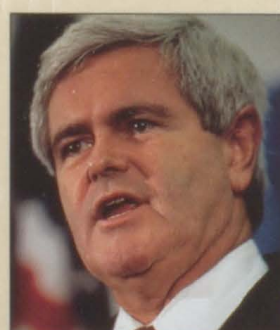
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The nation comes to a standstill on October 3 as more than 150 million people watch live TV coverage of the outcome of the nine-month-long trial of the century. After less than four hours of deliberation, the jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson not guilty of the murders of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman.



Scott Olson, Sipa Press

Illinois suffers a record heat wave in July, with temperatures as high as 104°. The heat takes the lives of 457 people statewide. At Wrigley Stadium, Jaime Navarro helps faithful Chicago Cubs fans stay cool.



Gifford, Gamma/Liaison

After a year of fame as a conservative revolutionary, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich slumps in popularity, tainted by the government shutdown, his stalled Contract With America, and investigations into his political action committee and his financial affairs.



Lee Stone, Sygma

Two-thousand volunteer firefighters battle a raging wildfire in eastern Long Island, New York, for three days in August. The fire, following a 21-day drought, consumes 5,500 acres of pine barrens and damages a dozen homes. There are no injuries or fatalities.

The image of firefighter Chris Fields holding one-year-old Baylee Almon, who later dies, comes to symbolize the horror of the April 19 bombing of the Oklahoma City Federal Building that killed 150 adults and 19 children.

As more Americans invest, Wall Street enjoys a bull market. In November, the Dow-Jones Industrial Average hits 5000, a milestone indicating healthy corporate profits and low interest rates.



On April 30, the adoptive parents of four-year-old "Baby Richard" comply with an Illinois court order to turn the child over to his biological parents.



Zielenbach, Chicago Tribune from Gamma/Liaison

flash

Despite Americans' doubts and fears, U.S. troops head for Bosnia in December. The 20,000 U.S. forces, serving under NATO command beside 40,000 European allies, face the task of keeping peace among the country's warring Serbs, Croats and Muslims.

The State of South Carolina sentences Susan Smith to life in prison for the drowning murder of her two young sons in 1994.

An anonymous donor sends St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis \$1 million in the form of a winning ticket from McDonald's November "Monopoly" sweepstakes game.

In the wake of a growing number of random attacks from assailants with knives and guns, White House security is forced to close Pennsylvania Avenue to traffic.

After allegedly ignoring federal pollution regulations for years, General Motors agrees under threat of an \$11-million fine to recall 500,000 Cadillacs at a cost of \$45 million.



Charles H. Porter, IV, Sygma



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The government shuts down for six days in November after the President and Congress fail to agree on how to balance the federal budget. The shutdown affects non-essential federal services, including the National Park Service. A longer shutdown follows in December.



AP/Wide World

A record snowfall paralyzes the East Coast in January 1996, stranding travelers and killing 100 people. Seven states, from Virginia to Massachusetts, declare emergencies. Philadelphia gets 30.7 inches of snow.



Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1969 to 1986, dies in June at age 87. Though appointed by President Richard Nixon, he ordered Nixon to turn over tapes in the Watergate hearings that effectively ended the president's career.



AP/Wide World

The Washington Post publishes a manifesto written by the unidentified killer known as "The Unabomber," at large since 1978 and wanted for 16 mail bombs that have killed 3 and injured 23. FBI agents scrutinize the article for clues to the bomber's identity.



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A Chicago commuter train slams into the back end of a loaded school bus. The accident, allegedly caused by a poorly timed stoplight placed too near the tracks, kills 7 students and injures 28 on October 25.



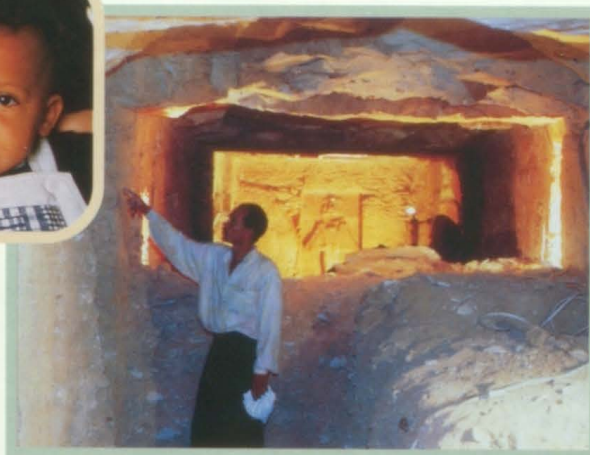
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American women celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote. Women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) first organized the fight for suffrage in 1848.

science news

Wubbo De Jong/Het Parool from Sygma

As the result of an improperly cleaned test tube at a fertility clinic, a woman in the Netherlands gives birth to twin boys, each from a different father.



AP/Wide World



In March, the Federal Drug Administration approves a chicken-pox vaccine. Rarely fatal, chicken-pox affects 3.7 million Americans annually.

Archaeologists discover a 3,000-year-old tomb in May that is believed to hold the remains of 52 sons of Ramses II, Pharaoh of Egypt.



NASA

A stunning photograph from the Hubble Space Telescope captures a moment in the birth of a star in the Eagle Nebula, 7,000 light years from Earth. Light from the young star's nuclear furnace lifts towering pillars of hydrogen gas and interstellar dust.



Dr. Jeffrey Fried, Gamma/Liaison

Researchers announce that they have isolated a gene in mice linked to obesity. Mice with a mutated OB gene are injected with the hormone leptin, resulting in dramatic weight loss. The public is tantalized at the prospect of leptin as a slimming treatment for use in humans.



© Cincinnati Zoo

The world's first test-tube gorilla is born at the Cincinnati Zoo in October as part of an effort to save the western lowland gorilla, an endangered species that numbers fewer than 450 animals.



Fossils of a jawbone (left) and leg bone (right) found in Kenya in August reveal a previously unknown species of upright hominid that lived four million years ago, pushing the emergence of bipedalism back half a million years. Walking upright is a key adaptation that separates humans from apes.



Vai Muzengai/Chicago Tribune

Media attention focuses on melatonin, a naturally occurring hormone used to induce sleep and slow the effects of aging. Lauded as a wonder drug, a kilogram of synthetic melatonin sells for as much as \$10,000.



AP/Wide World

In a procedure known as tissue engineering, scientists grow a human ear under the skin of a laboratory mouse. Researchers hope the procedure will play an important role in the future of transplant surgery.



AP/Wide World

As a protective measure against counterfeiting in the era of digital publishing, the Treasury Department redesigns U.S. currency bills, to be issued over the next five years, starting early 1996 with the new \$100 bill.

Former rivals in space become comrades in space after the historic docking of the U.S. space shuttle *Atlantis* and Russia's *Mir* space station on June 29. Astronaut Robert Gibson (in red) greets cosmonaut Vladimir Dezhurov.



In June, volcanic eruptions give birth to a baby island. A new member of the Tonga Islands emerges near New Zealand, 900 feet high and 140 feet wide.



AP/Wide World

After a decade-long search, scientists isolate what may be the most important cancer-related gene. The defective gene known as ATM is associated with cancers of the breast, colon, lung, stomach, pancreas and skin, and may be carried by two million Americans.

Astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope observe new moons orbiting the planet Saturn, adding at least 2 moons and possibly 4 to Saturn's previously known total of 18.

A team of French and British explorers believe they have found an ancient breed of horse previously unknown to scientists. In November, the four-foot high horse with a triangular head, which resembles the vanished horses of European Stone Age drawings, is named Riwoche for its home region in Tibet.

October satellite photographs show the recent rapid deterioration of the earth's ozone layer above Antarctica. Pollutants produced mostly by the U.S. cause the hole in the atmosphere's protective layer to increase to the size of Europe.

Buyers rush to stores for the new computer operating system Windows 95, spurred by Microsoft Corp.'s \$700-million publicity barrage and the promise of a friendlier interface.



A. Tannenbaum, Sygma

The movie *Apollo 13* opens in the summer after filming many of its scenes inside NASA's "zero gravity" plane, which mimics the weightlessness astronauts experience in space by diving into a 23-second freefall.



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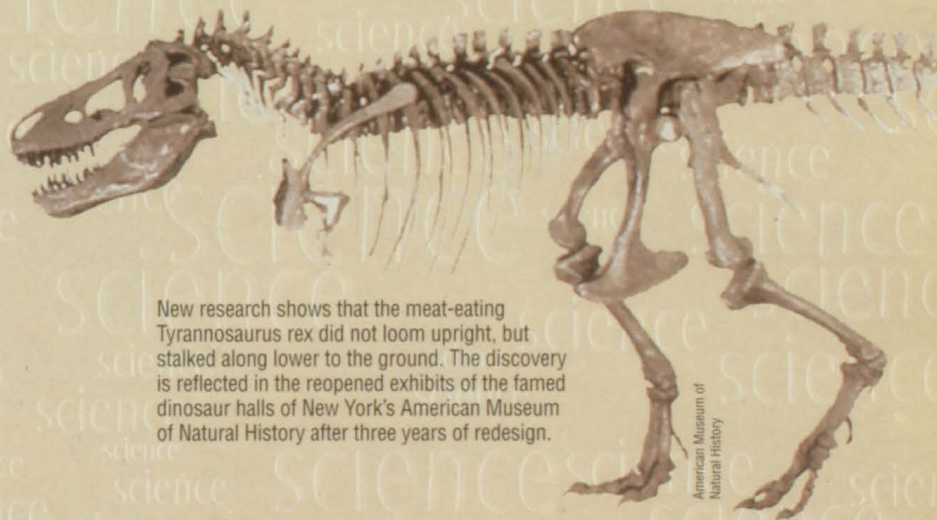
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Nintendo of America

In November, Visa introduces a cash-storage card that eliminates a pocketful of loose change. A chip in the plastic card tracks the amount of available cash, which is accessed with a reader at the place of purchase. The card can be taken to the bank and reloaded.

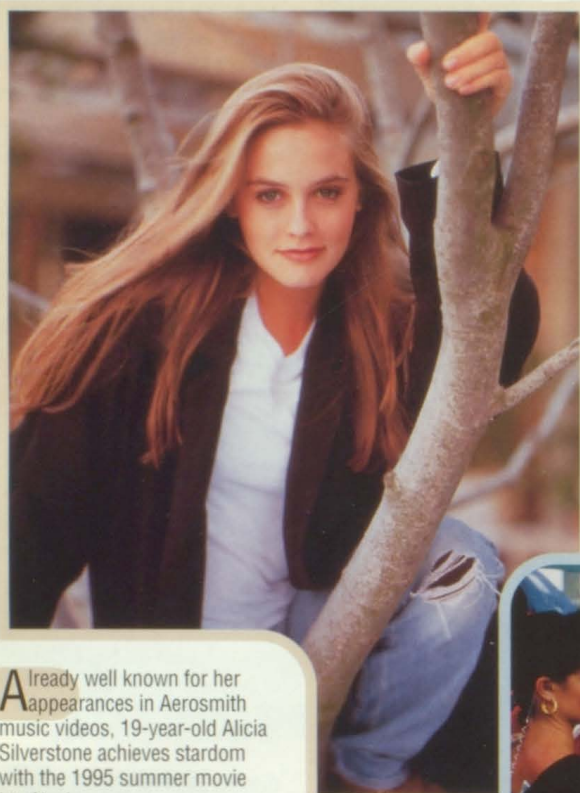
Now virtual reality comes in a handy travel size with Nintendo's latest, Virtual Boy, a portable 3-D video-game system with stereophonic sound.



New research shows that the meat-eating *Tyrannosaurus rex* did not loom upright, but stalked along lower to the ground. The discovery is reflected in the reopened exhibits of the famed dinosaur halls of New York's American Museum of Natural History after three years of redesign.

American Museum of Natural History

faces in the news



Already well known for her appearances in Aerosmith music videos, 19-year-old Alicia Silverstone achieves stardom with the 1995 summer movie hit *Clueless*.

Dana Fineman, Sygma



J.L. Bulcao, Gamma/Liaison

With \$150,000 saved during her 75 hardworking years as a washerwoman, Oseola McCarty establishes a scholarship fund for African-American students at the University of Southern Mississippi. For her selflessness, she is awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal.



Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Pamela Lee of "Baywatch" fame and husband Tommy Lee, Motley Crue drummer, are the life of the party this year, frequently caught by the press engaging in public displays of affection.



Bill Jordan, Charleston Post Courier from Sipra Press

Trailblazer Shannon Faulkner (hand to head) withdraws from the Citadel after collapsing during "hell week." Faulkner singlehandedly attempted to bust the gender barrier at the all-male South Carolina military institution.



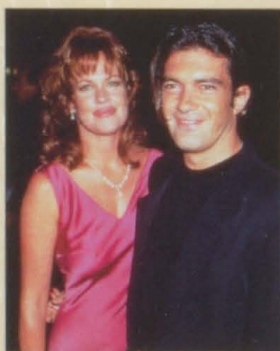
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Millions of Americans tune in to Martha Stewart's TV show, subscribe to her magazine, and read her books. The popular cooking and home-decorating entrepreneur builds an empire by packaging a distinctive American nostalgic style.



Marc Deville, Gamma/Liaison

Bill Gates, founder and chairman of the computer giant Microsoft, becomes the wealthiest man in the world on the success of his company's software. His book *The Road Ahead* hits *The New York Times* best-seller list.



Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Hot actor Antonio Banderas falls in love with another screen sex-symbol Melanie Griffith during the filming of *Two Much*. Banderas will co-star with Madonna in the film version of *Evita* and will star in Steven Spielberg-produced *Zorro*.



Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star

Seventies superstar John Travolta's motion-picture comeback in the 1994 hit *Pulp Fiction* continues with starring roles in *Get Shorty* and *Broken Arrow*.



Felix from Shooting Star

Sandra Bullock follows up her star-making role in *Speed* with the gentle romance *While You Were Sleeping*. Bullock's fresh, wholesome image earns her an "Entertainer of the Year" nomination from *Entertainment Weekly* magazine.

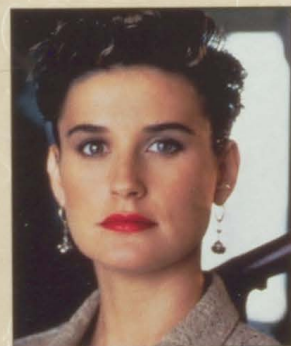
America is disappointed in its high hopes for Colin Powell's 1996 presidential candidacy. At the close of his whirlwind book tour for *My American Journey*, the General and his wife Alma announce in November that he will not seek the Republican nomination.



Pete Souza, Gamma/Liaison



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Marissa Roth, LCI



Tim Mossholder, LCI

Favorite of America's heartland for his *You Might Be A Redneck If...* jokes, Georgia-born stand-up comic and author Jeff Foxworthy gets his own ABC sitcom in which he plays himself.

Actress Demi Moore becomes the highest paid woman in Hollywood, able to command \$12.5 million per movie, even after this year's flop at the box office *The Scarlet Letter*, loosely based on Hawthorne's classic.



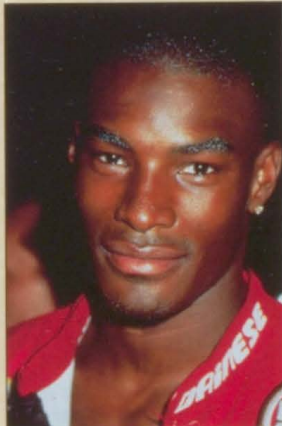
Stand-up comic and sitcom star Ellen DeGeneres makes the best-seller list with her book *My Point...And I Do Have One*.



Sandra Johnson, Retna

Christopher Reeve, in a wheelchair and hooked up to a portable respirator, appears with his wife, Dana, at the American Paralysis Association's annual gala on November 9, less than five months after a fall from a horse left him almost totally paralyzed.

A 10-year-old St. Louis schoolboy, Larry Champagne III, becomes a hero by taking control of his school bus after the driver suffered a stroke. Champagne is later awarded a \$10,000 scholarship by the bus company.



Nancy Kaserman, Shooting Star

Model Beckford Tyson, singled out by Ralph Lauren for his all-American looks, signs an exclusive contract with the fashion designer in 1995.



AP/Wide World

Miss Oklahoma Shawntel Smith is crowned Miss America on September 16. During the broadcast of the 75th pageant, viewers phone in their votes to retain the swimsuit competition.



Kurt Vixant, Sipa Press

John F. Kennedy, Jr., is cofounder and editor-in-chief of *George*, a glossy new magazine covering American politics. Hounded all his life by the press, Kennedy joins their ranks, contributing a feature interview to each issue.

flash

Calvin Klein's provocative CK Jeans campaign causes an uproar in August, bringing nasty headlines, threats of retailer boycotts and an FBI investigation. The scandal only seems to help sales.

Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley announce their divorce almost a year after their surprise marriage. The tabloids have a field day speculating about the reasons for the marriage (was it a cold-hearted career move?) as well as the causes for the break-up (was he after Elvis' fortune?).

Breaking the Surface, the autobiography of Greg Louganis, former U.S. Olympic gold-medal diver who revealed earlier that he has AIDS, debuts at No. 2 on the best-seller list.

Popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher, who transformed popping corn into a gourmet item, dies on September 19 from heart failure.

Two Chinese women set a new Guinness world record in November by living in a room for 12 days with 888 poisonous snakes. The previous world record, set in Singapore in 1987, was 10 days with 200 snakes.

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Batman Forever, with Val Kilmer in the title role and Chris O'Donnell as Robin, becomes the third Batman movie and the summer's top-grossing film.

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United Artists from Shooting Star

The fifth actor to play 007 in the enduring film series begun in the 1960s, Pierce Brosnan abandons his Aston Martin for a BMW Z3 Roadster in *Goldeneye*, the latest and, some say, best James Bond movie.

Three 1995 movies bring Jane Austen classics to the silver screen: *Clueless*, based on Austen's novel *Emma*, and *Sense and Sensibility* and *Persuasion*.



Disney Pictures from Shooting Star



Disney Pictures continues its line of animated blockbusters with the Native American legend *Pocahontas*. The picture previews in New York's Central Park to an outdoor audience of 200,000.



M. Gertler, LGI



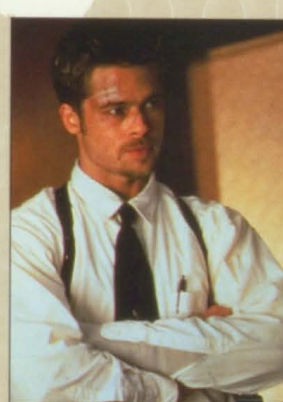
Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star



Ron Davis, Shooting Star



Bedford Falls from Shooting Star



Pachia, LGI

After an unpromising start, Conan O'Brien quietly gains popularity as host of NBC's "Late Night," a slot previously filled by David Letterman. Letterman's current show on CBS slowly loses viewers.

Whitney Houston stars in the December film release, *Waiting to Exhale*, adapted from Terry McMillan's best-selling novel about the lives of four middle-class African-American women. Houston sings the title song for the movie soundtrack, which enjoys brisk sales.

Denzel Washington, critically acclaimed for his performances in films *Crimson Tide* and *Devil in a Blue Dress*, receives highest praise from the City of Los Angeles, which honors him with the Martin Luther King, Jr., Award for his philanthropic work on behalf of children.

Although ABC cancels her TV series "My So-Called Life," 17-year-old Claire Danes hits the big screen in *How to Make an American Quilt*, *To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday*, and *Romeo and Juliet* with Leonardo DiCaprio as her co-star.

In the suspense-thriller *Seven*, heartthrob Brad Pitt attracts a wide male audience with his performance as a detective on the trail of a serial killer whose murders are based on the seven deadly sins.



Jeff Katz, Gamma/Liaison

NBC's hospital drama "E.R." continues to draw high ratings throughout 1995 thanks to its dramatic realism and the appeal of handsome George Clooney (middle right), supermodel Cindy Crawford's latest date.

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star



Disney Entertainment spends \$19 billion to purchase the ABC television network in July.

Toy Story is the world's first entirely computer-animated film. Released by Disney during the Christmas season, it features the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, and Don Rickles.

flash

MTV introduces "Singled Out," an over-the-top dating game show where contestants ask random, pointless questions of a crowd of suitors, sight unseen, until the zany answers have eliminated all but that one perfect love match.

According to a Roper Youth Poll, the two hottest TV shows among teens this season are the daytime soap "Days of Our Lives" and the evening soap "Melrose Place."

"The Jon Stewart Show," a late-night talk show aimed at Generation X, fails to catch on. During the final taping, host Stewart says, "To all those people who said my show wouldn't last, I have only one thing to say. Good call."



Pacha, LGI

Jim Carrey earns \$20 million for the starring role in the comedy *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, a sequel to the extraordinarily popular *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*.

The popular NBC TV series "Friends" returns for a second highly rated season. Its runaway success inspires less successful imitations by other networks.



Sam Jones, Gamma/Liaison



Ten years after creating the popular comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," cartoonist Bill Watterson retires in December.



Steve Hill, LGI

Horror-fiction author Stephen King signs a deal with Signet books to release his upcoming story, *The Green Mile*, as a paperback series.



Fox from Shooting Star

Fox TV's "The X-Files" stars David Duchovny as an FBI agent who investigates supernatural phenomena. The show becomes a surprise hit, giving millions of viewers reason to look forward to staying home on a Friday night.



Devoted fans will not be denied another season of NBC's sitcom "Seinfeld" after all. Creator Jerry Seinfeld decides to keep his "show about nothing" going for an eighth season.

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John Chiasson, Gamma Liaison

Their down-to-earth style and soulful pop songs make Hootie and the Blowfish popular favorites. Their debut album *Cracked Rear View* sells over 5 million, and the group is named Best New Artist at the MTV Music Awards in September.



Pacha, LGI

Blues Traveler emerge from the underground scene to widespread popularity with their album *Four* and the single "Run-Around."



Steve Granitz, Retna

Cleveland-based rap group Bone Thugs-n-Harmony vault to the top of the charts with some old-fashioned harmonizing on the album *E. 1999 Eternal*.



AP/Wide World

Yoko Ono and Little Richard join a host of celebrities at the opening of the glitzy Rock-and-Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland on September 1.



John Bellissimo, LGI

Rocker Melissa Etheridge follows top-selling *Yes, I Am* with her fifth album, *Your Little Secret*.



Tim Mossholder, LGI

Twenty-year-old Canadian newcomer Alanis Morissette raises some eyebrows with her up-front, aggressive lyrics and attitudes. Nevertheless, her album *Jagged Little Pill* goes double platinum.



Felix from Shooting Star

Sixties icon Jerry Garcia, guitarist of The Grateful Dead, dies of a heart attack on August 9 at age 53. Garcia's musical roots in blues, country and folk are apparent in hits like "Truckin'." Legions of Deadheads mourn his passing.



Todd Gray, LGI

Brandy, whose self-titled platinum album and single "I Wanna Be Down" hit high on the R&B charts, sweeps the first Soul Train Music Awards in August. The 16-year-old singer wins Best New Artist, among other awards.



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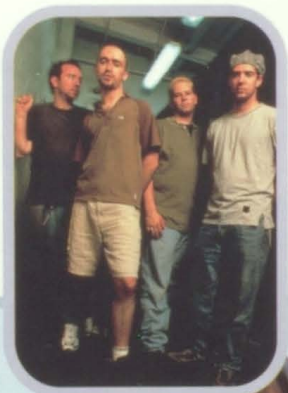
Beatlemania returns in 1995 with ABC's six-hour documentary *The Beatles Anthology*, the video releases of *A Hard Day's Night* and *Help!* and the album collection *Anthology*, featuring previously unreleased material.



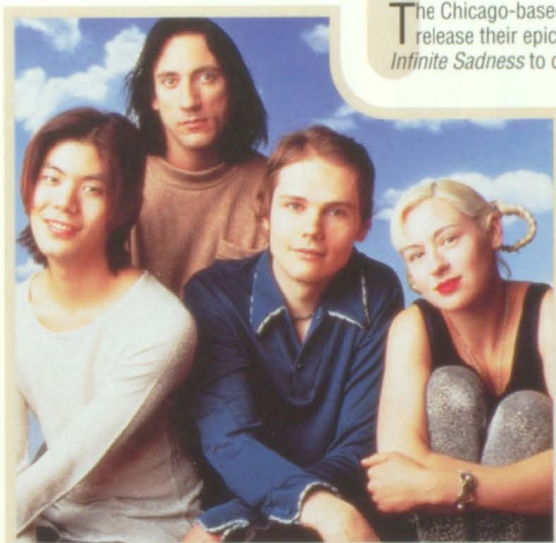
Des Willie, Retna

The chart-topping movie soundtrack *Dangerous Minds* features Coolio's rap anthem "Gangsta's Paradise," the number-one single of the year according to *Billboard* magazine.

Live dedicate their single "Lightning Crashes" to victims of the Oklahoma City bombing. The rock band's *Throwing Copper* album yields three hit singles; Billboard Music Awards names them Rock Artist of the Year.



Joe Giron, LGI



Mark Hauser, LGI

The Chicago-based rock band Smashing Pumpkins release their epic double album *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* to critical and public acclaim.



Ronnie Wright, LGI

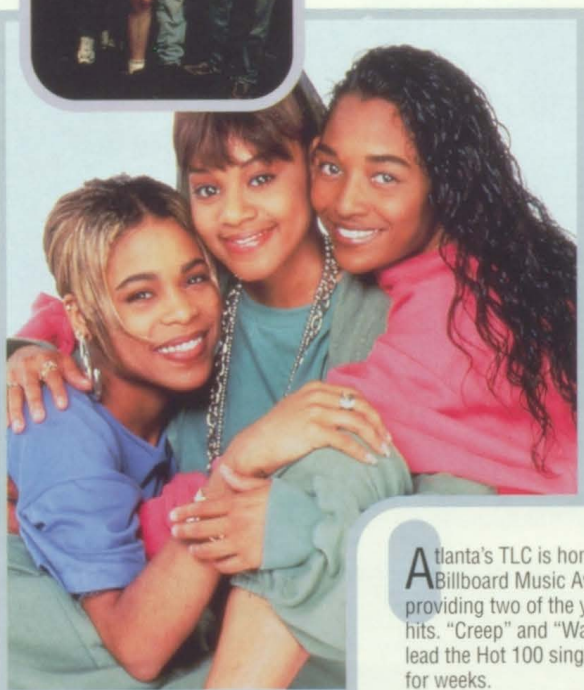
Mariah Carey's *Daydream* sells over 5 million copies, taking number-one spot on the *Billboard* album chart. Carey performs with Boyz II Men on the hit single "One Sweet Day."

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R.E.M.'s summer tour is interrupted by medical emergencies for three of the band's four members. The tour, their first in five years, is eventually completed with all members in good health.

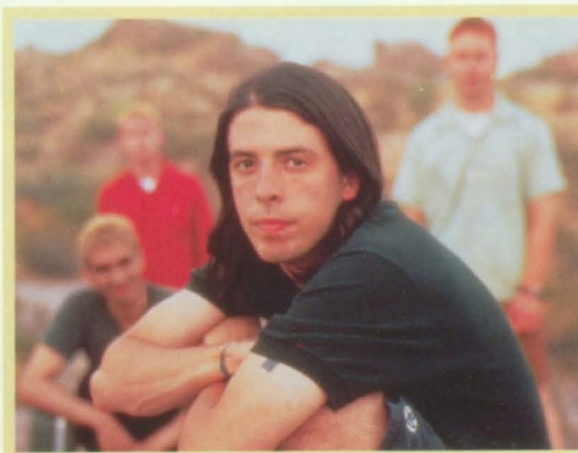
In October, David Bowie and Nine Inch Nails wrap up the U.S. portion of Bowie's world tour. At each show, Bowie and Trent Reznor's band play a set together. In December, Bowie tours Europe with Morrissey as his opening act.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers tone down their trademark bawdiness in their newest album, *One Hot Minute*.



Jeffrey Scales, LGI

Atanta's TLC is honored at the Billboard Music Awards for providing two of the year's biggest hits. "Creep" and "Waterfalls" both lead the Hot 100 singles charts for weeks.



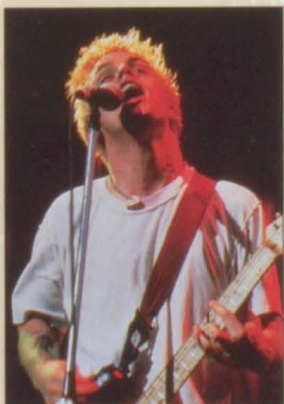
Steve Double, Retna

Former Nirvana drummer Dave Grohl plays a new sound as guitarist and lead singer in the Foo Fighters, an alternative rock band that enjoys three singles off their self-titled debut album in 1995.



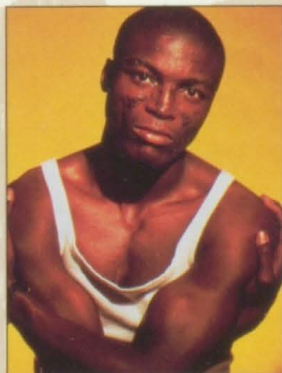
Ron Davis, Shooting Star

A hard-luck story turns into overnight success in the case of Canadian Shania Twain, born in poverty to an Irish mother and an Ojibway Indian father. Twain's 1995 hits include "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been Under?" "Any Man of Mine" and the title tune to her 3-million-selling album *The Woman In Me*.



Steve Simons, Shooting Star

Success doesn't mellow the style of alternative rock band Green Day, who release their anxiously awaited fourth album *Insomniac*, their fastest and darkest album to date.



Steve Jennings, LGI

Seal's hit off the *Batman Forever* movie soundtrack, "Kiss From a Rose," is all over the summer playlists. The single propels the artist's self-titled album to the double-platinum mark.



Marc Morrison, Shooting Star

With the record-setting sales of his album *Fresh Horses*, only three musical acts in U.S. history outsell country music icon Garth Brooks: the Beatles, the Eagles, and Billy Joel.



Smith, Gamma Liaison

Selena, the 23-year-old Tejano music queen, is gunned down in Corpus Christi in March 1995 by Yolanda Saldivar, former president of her fan club. The July release of a collection of Selena's hits, *Dreaming of You*, sees some of the fastest sales in music history.

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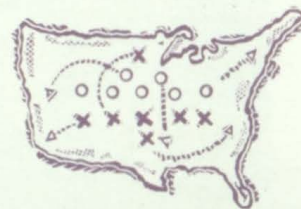
International soccer star Michelle Akers, world's top woman player, leads the U.S. women's soccer team to a 2-1 sudden-death victory over Norway in the U.S. Cup title game in August.

Chris Cole, Allsport



The New Jersey Devils win the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, beating the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four straight games.

Focus on Sports



The most controversial moves are off the field this season as the Cleveland Browns NFL franchise announces its move to Baltimore and the Houston Oilers announce their move to Nashville.



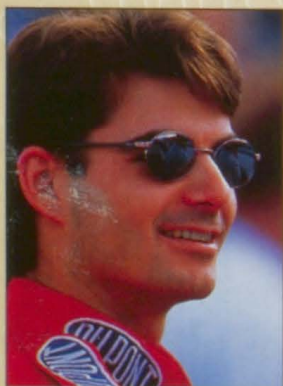
Clark Campbell, Sipa Press

In May 1995, Peter Blake's Team New Zealand in "Black Magic 1" defeats Dennis Conner's team in "Young America" in the first 5-0 sweep in the 144-year history of the America's Cup.



AP/Wide World

In Super Bowl XXX, the heavily favored Dallas Cowboys beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 27-17. Dallas cornerback Larry Brown ices the game for the Cowboys with the second of his two interceptions, and is named MVP for his heroics.



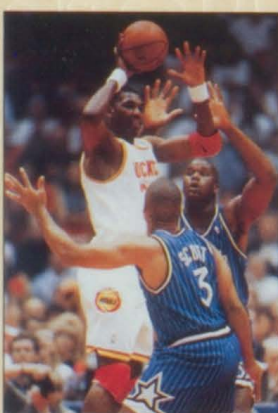
David Taylor, Allsport

Jeff Gordon, 24, dominates the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing's Winston Cup, winning 7 of NASCAR's 31 races and earning \$4.3 million in 1995, a record for the sport.



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The University of Nebraska demolishes the University of Florida, 62-24, in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl to win their second consecutive national college football title and cap Cornhuskers coach Tom Osborne's 23rd season.



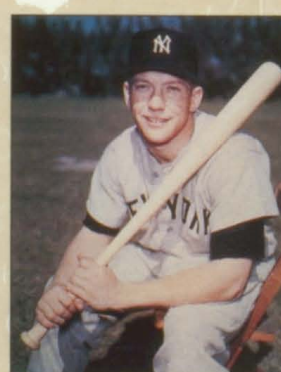
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The Houston Rockets, led by center Hakeem Olajuwon, win their second consecutive National Basketball Association championship in June, sweeping the series with the Orlando Magic in four games.



Steve Berman, Gamma Liaison

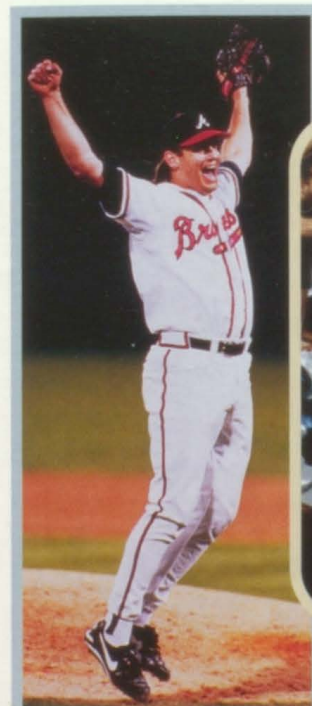
Twenty-one-year-old tennis champ Monica Seles, returning to competitive play two years after being stabbed at a tournament in Germany, wins the 1995 Australian Open.



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Hall-of-Famer Mickey Mantle, a switch-hitter and one of the great sluggers in baseball history, dies of cancer on August 13. Mantle hit 536 home runs in his 18-year career and compiled a lifetime batting average of .298.

The Atlanta Braves edge the Cleveland Indians 1-0 in game six to win the World Series on October 28. Closing pitcher Mark Wohlers leaps for joy.



Ric Stewart, Allsport



Vincent Laforet, Gamma/Liaison

The National Basketball Association fines the Chicago Bulls \$25,000 when Michael Jordan wears his previously retired number 23 jersey for luck during championship playoffs against the Orlando Magic in May 1995.



Clive Brunsell, Allsport

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Former L.A. Lakers point guard Earvin "Magic" Johnson announces a return to basketball in January 1996. Johnson retired in 1991 when he discovered he was HIV positive.

The Northwestern University Wildcats—long a gridiron laughingstock—pile up ten victories in 1995 and go to the Rose Bowl for the first time since 1949.

In his first fight in four years, former world heavyweight champ Mike Tyson disposes of challenger Peter McNeeley in 89 seconds. Tyson, who in March finished a three-year jail term for a rape conviction, earns \$25 million for the August boxing match.

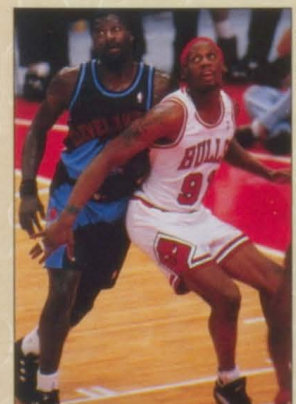
Pete Sampras, winner of the 1995 men's singles championships at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, ends the professional tennis season with a number-one world ranking.



Doug Pensinger, Allsport

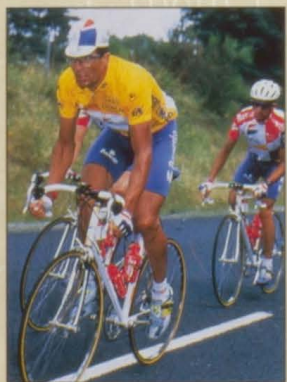
In September, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken, Jr., achieves a record-setting 2,131 consecutive games.

Master of the sinking fastball and still learning to speak English, L.A. Dodgers pitcher Hideo Nomo, formerly with the Kintetsu Buffaloes in Japan, is named Rookie of the Year. Nomo is the second Japanese-born player to join the U.S. major leagues, and the first All-Star.



AP/Wide World

Known for his temperamental personality, his many tattoos and his aggressive playing style, basketball center Dennis Rodman (91) debuts with the Chicago Bulls after his trade from the San Antonio Spurs.



Mike Powell, Allsport

For a record fifth straight time, Miguel Indurain of Spain wins the 22-day, 2,270-mile Tour de France, the world's premier bicycle race. On the 15th day of the race, Italian road-race champ Fabio Casartelli is killed in a seven-man crash.



Focus on Sports

Betsy King wins her 30th tournament on June 25 and gains entry to the Ladies' Professional Golf Association's Hall of Fame, one of the most difficult attainments in sports.



Scott Halleran, Allsport

Quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins sets four life-time passing records during the 1995 football season: 47,003 yards, 342 touchdowns, 3,686 completions and 6,467 attempts.



Jeff Christensen, Gamma/Liaison

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The most recent fad in purses takes the form of small backpacks.

Designer water spreads to the pet world. Doting pet owners buy tuna-flavored bottled water for Fluffy and beef-flavored bottled water for Spot.



Americans consume culture and history as attendance at America's 8,000 museums climbs to 600 million people per year, more than movie, theater, and sports attendance combined.



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Girlly things enjoy a surge in popularity with young women, who wear baby barrettes, knee socks, tiny t-shirts, little jumpers, and funky Maryjanes, and kid around with "Hello Kitty" accessories.



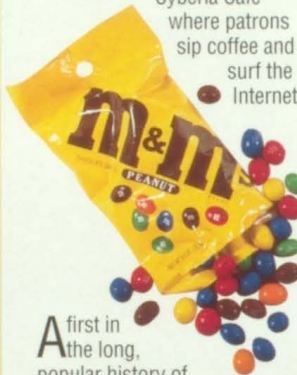
Lynn Goldsmith, LCI

Taking her place among controversial talk-show hosts as the "Oprah for the junior set," Ricki Lake speaks to such concerns as, "Mom, when my boyfriend gets out of jail, I'm taking him back."



The angel message of "fear not" strikes a deep chord with Americans' yearning for spiritual growth and comfort in a stressful time. People enjoy angel collectibles, angel sites on the Internet, and angel books and magazines.

Diners are treated to variations on theme cafes, as Hard Rock Cafe is joined by Fashion Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Harley-Davidson Cafe, and London's Cyberia Cafe where patrons sip coffee and surf the Internet.



At first in the long, popular history of M&M's candies: a new blue M&M joins the colorful candy-coated mix.



Mathieu Pojak, Sygma

Logo-wear reaches a new level of sophistication. Among the reigning makers of athletic wear, only Nike can spark recognition without the use of its name.



Young people continue to follow the wide-leg jeans trend, forsaking tight jeans for a loose baggy fit.



The tattoo craze leads to some regret but recent laser developments keep people from being marked for life. Pulsed laser light, a different wavelength for each color in the tattoo, removes pigment without leaving scars.



"Some pretty cool people drink milk" is the message carried by a high-profile ad campaign featuring a raft of popular celebrities sporting a white upper lip on behalf of the healthy beverage. The milk-moustache effect is created with latex, a rubber-based paint.

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